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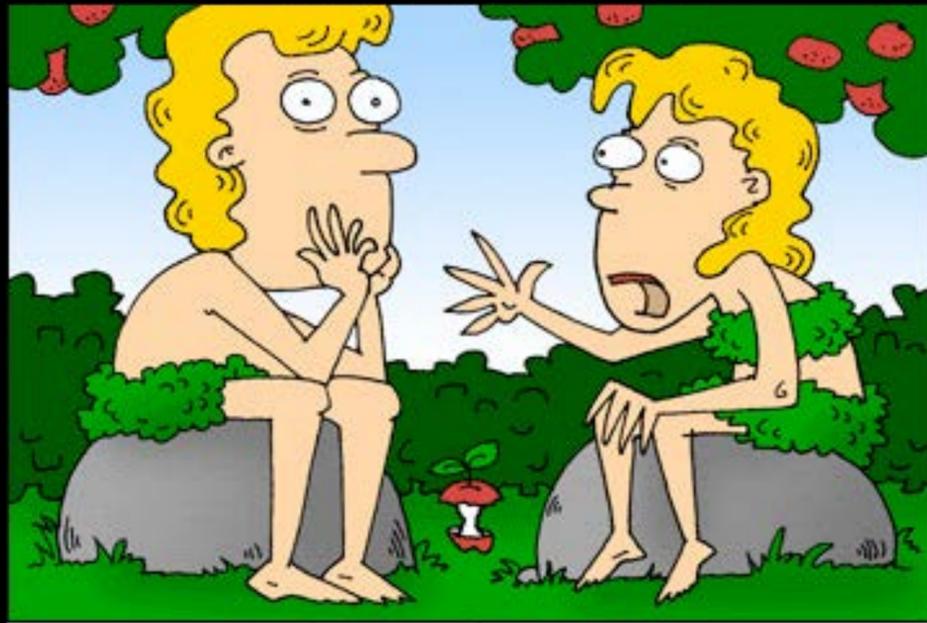
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TWO Conflicting Commandments?



1. Not to partake of The Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil



"It was a mistake .. it's not like anyone will ever know"



2. Multiply and Replenish the Earth



Adam and Eve Teaching Their Children, by Del Parson, © 1978 IRI



To rationalize the “two conflicting
commandments theory”

It is taught that Eve and Adam knew and
understood the Gospel Plan of Salvation.



Why did Adam Fall

17 And I, the Lord God, said unto Adam: Who told thee thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldst not eat, if so thou shouldst surely die?

Moses 4:17-18



What is the reason for the Fall of Adam?

According to Scripture?

18 And the man said: **The woman thou gavest me, and commandest that she should remain with me,** she gave me of the fruit of the tree and I did eat.

Moses 4:17-18



To Adam the Fall was an issue
of eternal marriage, not an issue
of posterity



22 And the rib which I, the Lord God, had taken from man, made I a woman, and brought her unto the man.

23 And Adam said: This I know now is bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of man.



24 Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife; and they shall be one flesh.

25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.



1 'If they partake of the fruit then a Savior shall be provided'



When Did Adam and Eve Get the Gospel?

1 And it came to pass that after I, the Lord God, had driven them out, that Adam began to **till the earth**, and to **have dominion** over all the beasts of the field, and to eat his bread by the sweat of his brow, as I the Lord had commanded him. And Eve, also, his wife, did labor with him.



How Many Generations?

2 And Adam knew his wife, and she bare unto him sons and daughters, and they began to multiply and to replenish the earth.

3 And from that time forth, the sons and daughters of Adam began to divide two and two in the land, and to till the land, and to tend flocks, and they also begat sons and daughters.

Moses 5:1-3



There are at least
Three Generations on
the earth

Before Adam and Eve
Receive the Gospel



4 And Adam and Eve, his wife, called upon the name of the Lord, and they heard the voice of the Lord from the way toward the Garden of Eden, ...

5 And **he gave unto them commandments, that they should worship the Lord their God, and should offer the firstlings of their flocks,** for an offering unto the Lord. And Adam was obedient unto the commandments of the Lord.

Moses 5:4-5



6 And **after many days**

3 Generations

an angel of the Lord appeared unto Adam, saying: Why dost thou offer sacrifices unto the Lord? And

Adam said unto him: **I know not,**

save the Lord commanded me.

Moses 5:6



7 And then the angel spake, saying: **This thing is a similitude of the sacrifice of the Only Begotten** of the Father, which is full of grace and truth.

8 Wherefore, thou shalt **do all that thou doest in the name of the Son**, and thou shalt repent and call upon God in the name of the Son forevermore.



9 And in that day the Holy Ghost fell upon Adam, which beareth record of the Father and the Son, saying: I am the Only Begotten of the Father from the beginning, henceforth and forever, that as thou hast fallen thou mayest be redeemed, and all mankind, even as many as will.

Moses 5:7-9



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Moses 6:51-68



Moses 5:8

Moses 6:51-68

Moses 5:9



51 And *he called upon our father Adam by his own voice, saying:*
I am God; I made the world, and men before they were in the
flesh.

52 And he also said unto him: If thou wilt turn unto me, and
hearken unto my voice, and believe, and repent of all thy
transgressions, and be baptized, even in water, in the name of
mine Only Begotten Son, who is full of grace and truth, which is
Jesus Christ, the only name which shall be given under heaven,
whereby salvation shall come unto the children of men, ye shall
receive the gift of the Holy Ghost, asking all things in his name,
and whatsoever ye shall ask, it shall be given you.



Moses 6:51-52

53 And our father Adam spake unto the Lord, and said: Why is it that men must repent and be baptized in water? And the Lord said unto Adam: Behold I have forgiven thee thy transgression in the Garden of Eden.

55 And the Lord spake unto Adam, saying: *Inasmuch as thy children are conceived in sin, even so when they begin to grow up, sin conceiveth in their hearts, and they taste the bitter, that they may know to prize the good.*

56 And it is given unto them to know good from evil; wherefore they are agents unto themselves, and I have given unto you another law and commandment.



57 Wherefore ***teach it unto your children***, that all men, everywhere, must repent, or they can in nowise inherit the kingdom of God, for no unclean thing can dwell there, or dwell in his presence...

58 Therefore ***I give unto you a commandment, to teach these things freely unto your children,***
saying:



59 That by reason of transgression cometh the fall, which fall bringeth death, and inasmuch as ye were born into the world by water, and blood, and of the spirit, which I have made, and so became of flesh and of a living soul, even so ye must be born again into the kingdom of heaven, of water, and of the Spirit, and be cleansed by blood, even the blood of the Only Begotten; that ye might be sanctified from all sin, and enjoy the words of eternal life in this world, and eternal life in the world to come, even immortal glory;



60 For by the water ye keep the commandment; by the Spirit ye are justified, and by the blood ye are sanctified...

62 And now, behold, I say unto you: *This is the plan of salvation unto all men,* through the blood of mine Only Begotten, who shall come in the meridian of time.

Moses 6:60-63



64 And it came to pass, when the Lord had spoken with Adam, our father, that Adam cried unto the Lord, and he was caught away by the Spirit of the Lord, and was carried down into the water, and was laid under the water, and was brought forth out of the water.

65 And thus *he was baptized, and the Spirit of God descended upon him, and thus he was born of the Spirit,* and became quickened in the inner man.

Moses 6:64-68



66 And he heard a voice out of heaven, saying: Thou art baptized with fire, and with the Holy Ghost. This is the record of the Father, and the Son, from henceforth and forever;

67 And thou art after the order of him who was without beginning of days or end of years, from all eternity to all eternity.

68 Behold, thou art *one in me*, a son of God; and thus may all become my sons. Amen.



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which beareth record of the Father and the Son,
saying: I am the Only Begotten of the Father from the
beginning, henceforth and forever, that as thou hast
fallen thou mayest be redeemed, and all mankind, even
as many as will.

Moses 5:9



10 And in that day Adam blessed God and was filled, and began to prophesy concerning all the families of the earth, saying: Blessed be the name of God, for *because of my transgression my eyes are opened,* and in this life I shall have joy, and again in the flesh I shall see God.

Moses 5:10



11 And Eve, his wife, heard all these things and was glad,
saying: **WERE IT NOT FOR OUR TRANSGRESSION** we
never should have had seed, and **NEVER SHOULD HAVE**
KNOWN good and evil, and the **JOY OF OUR**
REDEMPTION, AND THE ETERNAL LIFE WHICH GOD
GIVETH UNTO ALL THE OBEDIENT.

Moses 5:11



The Command to Teach

Moses 6:57-58

57 Wherefore teach it unto your children, that all men, everywhere, must repent, or they can in nowise inherit the kingdom of God...

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A painting depicting a family scene in a natural, outdoor setting. A man stands on the left, looking towards the center. A woman sits in the middle, holding a young child. Another child is seated to her right. In the foreground, a dog and a sheep are visible. The background shows trees and foliage. The overall tone is warm and intimate.

12 And Adam and Eve blessed the name
of God, and **they made all things known
unto their sons and their daughters.**

Moses 5:12

At Least Three Generations



Moses 5:13

13 And Satan came among them, saying: I am also a son of God; and he commanded them, saying: Believe it not; and they believed it not, and they loved Satan more than God. And men began from that time forth to be carnal, sensual, and devilish.



The Gospel is taught to
Adam and Eve after
the Fall



Who are the “they”

22 And now, behold, if Adam had not transgressed he would not have fallen, but he would have remained in the garden of Eden. And **all things which were created must have remained in the same state** in which **they** were after they were created; and **they** must have remained forever, and had no end.

23 And **they would have had no children; wherefore they would have remained in a state of innocence**, having no joy, for **they** knew no misery; **doing no good, for they knew no sin.**



Alma 12:26-28

26 And now behold, if it were possible that our first parents could have gone forth and partaken of the tree of life they would have been forever miserable, having no preparatory state; and thus the plan of redemption would have been frustrated, and the word of God would have been void, taking none effect.

27 But behold, it was not so; but *it was appointed unto men that they must die*; and after death, they must come to judgment, even that same judgment of which we have spoken, which is the end.

28 And *after God had appointed that these things should come unto man, behold, then he saw that it was expedient that man should know concerning the things whereof he had appointed unto them;*



29 Therefore *he sent angels to converse with them*, who caused men to behold of his glory.

30 And they began from that time forth to call on his name; therefore God conversed with men, **and made known unto them the plan of redemption**, which had been prepared from the foundation of the world; and this he made known unto them according to their faith and repentance and their holy works.



31 Wherefore, he gave commandments unto men, they having first transgressed the first commandments as to things which were temporal, and *becoming as Gods, knowing good from evil, placing themselves in a state to act*, or being placed in a state to act according to their wills and pleasures, whether to do evil or to do good—

32 Therefore God gave unto them commandments, **after having made known unto them the plan of redemption**, that they should not do evil, the penalty thereof being a second death, which was an everlasting death as to things pertaining unto righteousness; for on such the plan of redemption could have no power, for the works of justice could not be destroyed, according to the supreme goodness of God.

Alma 12:29-32



D&C 29:42

42 But, behold, I say unto you that I, the Lord God, gave unto *Adam and unto his seed*, [three generations] *that they should not die as to the temporal death, until I, the Lord God, should send forth angels to declare unto them repentance and redemption, through faith on the name of mine Only Begotten Son.*



58 And thus the Gospel began to be preached,
from the beginning, being declared by holy
angels sent forth from the presence of God, and
by his own voice, and by the gift of the Holy
Ghost.

Moses 5:58



Alma 12:29

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The “Sent Ones”

D&C 27:5-12

5 Behold, this is wisdom in me; wherefore, marvel not, for the hour cometh that I will drink of the fruit of the vine with you on the earth, and with **Moroni**, whom I have sent unto you to reveal the Book of Mormon, containing the fulness of my everlasting gospel, to whom I have committed the keys of the record of the stick of Ephraim;

6 And also with Elias, to whom I have committed the keys of bringing to pass the restoration of all things spoken by the mouth of all the holy prophets since the world began, concerning the last days;

7 And also **John the son of Zacharias**, which Zacharias he (Elias) visited and gave promise that he should have a son, and his name should be John, and he should be filled with the spirit of Elias;

8 Which John I have sent unto you, my servants, Joseph Smith, Jun., and Oliver Cowdery, to ordain you unto the first priesthood which you have received, that you might be called and ordained even as Aaron;



9 And also **Elijah**, unto whom I have committed the keys of the power of turning the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to the fathers, that the whole earth may not be smitten with a curse;

10 And also with **Joseph and Jacob, and Isaac, and Abraham**, your fathers, by whom the promises remain;

11 And also with **Michael, or Adam**, the father of all, the prince of all, the ancient of days;

12 And also with **Peter, and James, and John**, whom I have sent unto you, by whom I have ordained you and confirmed you to be apostles, and especial witnesses of my name, and bear the keys of your ministry and of the same things which I revealed unto them;



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Moses 5:12-13



The totality of the civil and religious future of humanity, all of world history and current events are summed up in the words of God that initiate the Gospel of Jesus Christ as the burden of the fall is placed upon the world

21 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, between thy seed and her seed; and he shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.



16 And Adam and Eve, his wife, ceased not to call upon God. And Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bare Cain, and said: I have gotten a man from the Lord; **wherefore he may not reject his words.**

But behold, Cain hearkened not, saying: Who is the Lord that I should know him?

Moses 5:16-18





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