Garden and Paradise - The Same Place

Part 1

The Garden of God was the place where heaven and earth met together in the very person of Adam. It represents man living in the presence of God, walking with the mind of God and clothed with the glory of the incorruptible life of God. The Garden of God is about man living above sin, sickness, fear, pain, sorrow and death. In the garden we see man made in the <u>image and likeness of God</u> and having dominion over all things. Spiritually speaking, it is a state of being in Christ!

The Garden was a realm where there was no separation from God. It was a realm where man was in complete union with God and where man could walk and talk with God. It was the dimension of **spirit** and **body, heaven** and **earth, visible** and **invisible, celestial** and **terrestrial**, in harmony as one.

John 14:20 (AMP) says, "At that time [when that day comes] you will know [for yourselves] that I am in My Father, and you [are] in Me, and I [am] in you."

In the beginning Adam was to manifest the fire/glory of God in the earth. The Hebrew word for <u>fire</u> is *esh*. It is spelled with the Hebrew letters, <u>aleph</u> and <u>sheen</u>. Aleph represents *an ox and denotes strength*. Sheen means, *teeth and denotes consuming or devouring*. <u>Fire</u> means, *a strong devourer*. Our God is a consuming fire (Deut. 4:24, Heb. 12:29). We must remember that we were made in His image and likeness to have dominion. Nothing has changed. This is why God sent His Son to restore us and to fulfill what He intended from the beginning.

The Hebrew word for <u>man</u> (male) is <u>ish</u>. Man is spelled with the Hebrew letters, <u>aleph</u>, <u>yood</u>, <u>and sheen</u>. <u>Man</u> was the word <u>fire</u> with the <u>yood</u> in the middle. <u>Yood</u> literally means, <u>a deed or a work</u>. Thus man was meant to manifest the <u>fire</u> (aleph & sheen; glory) <u>of God</u> in all <u>His</u> <u>deeds or works</u> (yood).

Ezekiel 28:13-14 – "You were in Eden, the garden of

<u>God</u>; Every <u>precious stone</u> was your covering: The ruby, the topaz and the diamond; The beryl, the onyx and the jasper; The lapis lazuli, the turquoise and the emerald; And the <u>gold</u>, the workmanship of your settings and sockets, were in you. On the day that you were created they were prepared. (14) "You were the <u>anointed cherub</u> who covers, and I placed you there. You were on the <u>holy mountain of God</u>; You walked in the midst of the **stones of fire....**

Ezekiel 28:13-14 Speak of Adam, "You were in Eden, the garden (state of being in Christ, rich cultivated spot, a bride, paradise, planting of trees) of God; every precious (highly valued, weighty, splendid, glorious) **stone** (I Peter 2:5, Eph. 2:20-21 speak of foundation stones; Matt. 16:18 Peter - Petros, piece of "rock" – "upon this rock I will build My church" (Ecclesia, the word representing the pure church, is a Governmental Assembly, selected, called, chosen to execute God's plans & purposes which are orchestrated and governed by the Holy Spirit not by man's doctrines, rituals, or customs); the church will be built on Petra (large Rock; Christ Jesus) was your covering: the ruby, the topaz, and the diamond; the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper; the lapis lazuli, the turquoise, and the emerald (these jewels are the same jewels that were found on the High Priest's breastplate); and the gold, (divine nature) the workmanship of your settings and engravings (sockets) were in you. On the day that you were created they were prepared. (14) "You were the anointed (to smear, to anoint; consecration) **cherub** (Adam was to guard, protect, and keep the garden; the cherub was a guardian of Eden and so was Adam, Gen. 3:24; the cherub was a chariot of Jehovah, 2 Sam. 22:11; a Cherub is also known

as the revelation of God, one who is near to God, one who ministers to Him and is admitted into His presence, 1 Kings 6:23. The Cherubim were carved into the walls (salvation) of Solomon's Temple. The four living creatures are also known as cherubim) **who covers**, and **I placed you there. You were** on the **holy mountain** of **God**; you walked in the midst of the **stones** (We are those living stones -1 Peter 2:5, Eph. 2:20-21), **of fire**"(Consumed in the fire of the Holy Spirit).

Remember, in **Hebrew <u>Aleph & Sheen</u>** spell <u>fire</u>, when you add <u>Yood</u> in the middle of aleph and sheen the word spells "<u>Man</u>". It means <u>Man</u> manifesting the fire of God in all his deeds or works. God is a consuming fire.

The garden was not merely where man was, it was what he was. As He is so are we in the earth today (1 John 4:17)!