

10. These are just ten ways Scripture defines this fallen angel. In the context of Genesis 3, he is introduced as the attorney for the defence before the Divine Court of Appeals.
11. In Genesis 3:1 he is referred to as the serpent with the descriptive adjective, **עָרוּם ('arum)**: “crafty”:

Genesis 3:1 Now the serpent was more crafty [**עָרוּם ('arum)**: shrewd, deceptive, subtle, cunning] than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said to the woman, “Indeed, has God said, ‘You shall not eat from any tree of the garden?’” (NASB)

12. In the above passage, Lucifer’s question to the woman is a strategic misquote of what God actually said to Adam in:

Genesis 2:16 Then the Lord commanded the man, “You may freely eat fruit from every tree of the orchard,

v. 17 but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil for when you eat from it dying spiritually [**creation of the sin nature**] you will surely die [**physically**]. (NET)

13. The Lord’s guidance regarding the trees of the garden is given in these two verses. In verse 16, God said to Adam, “From any tree of the garden you may eat freely.” But in verse 17 He says, “... but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat from it.”
14. Chronologically, this information given to Adam by God occurred before the creation of the woman. That event occurred in Genesis 2:21–25. In between, the Lord created the four genera of animals: (1) **θηρίον (thērion)**: “beasts,” (2) **πετεινόν (peteinón)**: “birds,” (3) **έρπετόν (herpetón)**: “reptiles,” and (4) **ένάλιος (enάλios)**: “creatures of the sea” [Genesis 2:19–20].
15. It was only at this point that God declared to create a “helper suitable for him” (Genesis 2:20). In verses 21–22 God created a woman: **יֶשָׁה ('Ishshah)**.
16. Wasting no time to challenge the weaker of the two new Homo sapiens, Lucifer immediately approached the woman as noted above. Being the “father of lies” (John 8:44), Lucifer began his first cross-examination in the Appeal with this question for the woman:



Genesis 3:1 Now the serpent [נָחָשׁ (*nachash*): snake indwelt by Lucifer] was more crafty [עָרוּם (*'arum*): shrewd, deceptive, subtle, cunning] than any of the lower creatures of the field which the Lord God [יְהוָה אֱלֹהִים (*'Elohim*): Jesus Christ, (Colossians 1:16)] had made [עָשָׂה (*'asah*): to create according to a pattern]. And he [Lucifer through the serpent] said to the woman [אִשְׁשָׁח (*'Ishshah*)], “Is it really true that God [אֱלֹהִים (*'Elohim*)] has said, ‘You shall not eat from any tree of the garden?’”

v. 2 And the woman replied to the serpent, “From the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat.

v. 3 But from the fruit of the tree, which is in the middle of the garden, God [אֱלֹהִים (*'Elohim*)] has said, ‘You shall not eat from it, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.’”

17. The Lord God, Jesus Christ, said nothing about not touching the fruit. Her reason for adding the phrase, “or touch it,” was because she added to what Jesus did not say but erroneously attributed that clause to God the Father. Lucifer’s semantic reference to Jesus as God removes the Savior from a discussion placing emphasis on God which can often refer to false gods.
18. *'Ishshah* erroneously concluded that physical death would occur when the fruit was even touched. This was not even logical. To eat the fruit would first require pulling the fruit off the tree which, according to her, would result in physical death.
19. She did not yet understand that eating the fruit did not result in physical death but spiritual death. She and *'Atham* were perfect people. As Homo sapiens without a sin nature, they had **Perfect Life**:
20. This type of life defines the trichotomy of *'Atham* and *'Ishshah* in Eden. Jesus Christ created perfect bodies and souls for them to which a human spirit was imputed providing Perfect Life. This life was potentially never ending, but with the possibility of termination through personal sin (Genesis 2:16–17).
21. However, they did not have Eternal Life. This category only applies to those individuals who are born with a sin nature, but at some point before physical death if they placed their personal faith in Jesus for salvation they would receive the imputation of Eternal Life.
22. *'Atham* and *'Ishshah* were created without a sin nature. God does not create anything that is not perfect. (Note the angels at their creation.) *'Atham* and *'Ishshah* were perfect people, but only in the sense that they were perfect Homo sapiens thus minus a sin nature. Therefore, they had Perfect Life.



23. But *'Atham* and *'Ishshah* did have volition. Their free will allowed them to make independent decisions. As long as they did not violate any of the Lord's commandments, they could continue enjoying their Perfect Life in a perfect environment with perfect happiness and perfect provisions.
24. This is the same situation the angels enjoyed before one-third of them joined Lucifer in his rebellion. Note that all the angels were created with Eternal Life. The critical decision that confronted each of them was to remain loyal to God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
25. Lucifer, whose title before his fall was the "Anointed Cherub," had delegated authority over the entire angelic population:

Ezekiel 28:14a "You [Lucifer] were the anointed cherub [four-wing insignia of rank] who guarded the throne room in the third heaven. I [the Lord] placed you there. You were on the holy mountain of God. (EXT)

26. Following his rebellion, Lucifer was arrested along with one-third of the fallen angels who joined this attempted coup d'etat. We know they were arraigned before the Supreme Court of Heaven, brought to trial, and found guilty (Genesis 1:2a). The Lord's commentary on this is found in:

Matthew 25:41 "Then He will also say to those on His left, 'Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the everlasting fire [the lake of fire] which was prepared following the guilty verdict in eternity past for Lucifer and his fallen angels [**prior to the decision to allow Lucifer's appeal**].'" (EXT)
27. Following the guilty verdict and subsequent sentence, Lucifer petitioned the court to allow an appeal which God granted. The courtroom for the appeal was determined by God to take place on planet earth, in time, and in a perfect environment (Genesis 1:2b ff).
28. Lucifer and his fallen angels were still allowed access to the earth. God chose to create a new category of individuals who were Homo sapiens. They too, were perfect but with a much lower IQ than the angels. Their souls were provided with self-consciousness, mentality, a conscience, and volition.
29. Lucifer and his demons were free to challenge the volitions of the couple and they were encouraged to use their free will to ward off their cosmic propaganda.
30. When *'Atham* was created, he was a perfect person with a perfect life and possessed volition to make personal decisions. He was later joined by *'Ishshah* who was also perfect with a free will which we noted in Genesis 2:21–22.



31. These two perfect people were the first *Homo sapiens*.¹ They were introduced initially to be witnesses for the Prosecution. 'Atham was informed about the trees of the garden from which they were permitted to eat with the exception of the "tree of the knowledge of good and evil."
32. The attorney for the defence is Lucifer. He was able to neutralize both the woman and the man, beginning with 'Ishshah in Genesis 3:1–3.

Genesis 3:4 And the serpent [possessed by **Lucifer**] said to the woman, "Most assuredly, you will not die [physically] ...

33. Lucifer's propaganda continues by disassociating the linkage between sin and dying spiritually. In the perfect environment of Eden and the perfect body of 'Ishshah reside the quintessential isolation from sin, death, and evil. Yet the devil raves on:

Genesis 3:5 For God keeps on knowing that in the day you eat from it [the forbidden fruit] then your eyes shall be opened and you shall become like God, knowing [יָדַע] (yatha '): discernment of] good and evil.

34. The desire for knowledge can be a positive desire to be better informed. However, when a lust for knowledge has as its goal a means to acquire power, it can very well become tyrannical.

Genesis 3:6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and a delight to the eyes, and being desirable to make one wise, she decided to take the fruit and kept on eating it; and she gave it also to her husband with her, and he ate.

35. 'Ishshah had the opportunity to have every asset imaginable in the perfect environment of Eden. However, she also, even without having a sin nature to prompt her, thought and then ate herself into a state of rebellion.
36. From her own volition she submitted to this rapid sequence of rationales: (1) she saw that the tree was good for food, (2) it was a delight to look upon, (3) its nourishment would make her smarter than anyone else. These three observations motivated her to act: (1) she took the fruit, (2) kept on eating it, and (3) she gave it to 'Atham who also ate.

¹ "Homo sapiens, genus and species to which all modern human beings belong. *Homo sapiens*, 'man the wise,' is the only currently existing species of the genus *Homo*. It is difficult, if not impossible, to follow the evolutionary steps that led to this distinction in the fossil record. Charles Darwin himself defined the problem. "In a series of forms graduating insensibly from some ape-like creatures to man as he now exists," he wrote in *The Descent of Man*, "it would be impossible to fix on any definite point when the term man ought to be used." *The New Encyclopaedia Britannica: Micropaedia* (Chicago: Encyclopaedia Britannica, Inc., 2010), 6:28.



Genesis 3:7 And the eyes of their souls were opened and they knew they were both naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves coverings [תְּגוּרָה] (*hagorah*): loincloths].

37. Both were now informed on the issues of good and evil. Now with knowledge of good and evil they submitted to acts of legalism. They were the only two *Homo sapiens* on the planet and they were married to each other. Yet, their rationale was to somehow become modest with each other.
38. Before the “eyes of their souls were opened,” they had a relaxed mental attitude toward each other. God had created them and allowed them to enjoy Eden’s perfect environment without the necessity of clothing.
39. Since they were married to each other, there were no other residents in the Garden, and the environment was perfect, why become legalistic? Oh, wait! The planet was not perfect anymore. Human-good rationales were now in concert with the loss of perfection.

Genesis 3:8 And it came to their ears the voice of the Lord God—*Jehovah Elohim*—moving about in the garden looking for them yet during a windstorm² when they usually had Bible class. *'Atham* and *'Ishshah* hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

40. The Lord is showing up at the usual time for Bible class, but His top priority on this occasion is the restoration of fellowship between Himself and His fallen couple:

Genesis 3:9 Then the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, “Why are you where you are?”

41. Jesus is not desirous to know where *'Atham* is physically, but rather where *'Atham* is spiritually. He is not at the designated place where they usually have Bible class. *'Atham* got the implication as is indicated by his response in:

Genesis 3:10 *'Atham* replied and he said, “I heard you moving about in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked, so I hid.”

² The expression is traditionally rendered “cool of the day,” because the Hebrew word רוּחַ (ruach) can mean “wind.” J. J. Niehaus (*God at Sinai* [155–57]) offers a different interpretation of the phrase, relating יוֹם (yom, usually understood as “day”) to an Akkadian cognate umu (“storm”) and translates the phrase “in the wind of the storm.” If Niehaus is correct, then God is not pictured as taking an afternoon stroll through the orchard, but as coming in a powerful windstorm to confront the man and woman with their rebellion. In this case קוֹל יְהוָה (qol y^ehovah: “sound of the Lord”) may refer to God’s thunderous roar, which typically accompanies his appearance in the storm, to do battle or render judgment (e.g., see Psalm 29). [See Genesis 3:8 in *The NET Bible* (2005), translator’s note: **tn 2.**]



42. This opened up an interrogation by the Lord who knew exactly what had happened. In fact, the Lord has omniscience so His entry into the garden displayed His knowledge of the couple's wrongdoing with the forbidden fruit and Lucifer. His cross examination began in:

Genesis 3:11 And the Lord God said, "Who told you that you were naked? Did you eat from the tree that I commanded you not to eat?" (NET)

43. Lucifer previously held the rank of a cherub with the equivalence of a four-star general over the myriads of angels. He also was a genius by comparison to the newly introduced *Homo sapiens*.
44. Lucifer was obviously allowed on the earth at this time because it was the courtroom for the Appeal. Consequently, he was allowed to hear the instructions given by God to the newly created couple including the imperative command for them not to eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.
45. Lucifer, as the defense attorney for the fallen angels, had the authority to gather evidence and use discovery to pose questions to the two witnesses.³
46. Jesus knew that Lucifer was in the courtroom and who had gathered evidence for the defense. It was 'Atham and 'Ishshah who had the responsibility to do what they were told regarding the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.
47. Lucifer most likely could not believe his good fortune. These two Homo sapiens were truly easy money. He is convinced that he will work them over and soon win the appeal. He was further encouraged by 'Atham's next remark:

Genesis 3:12 And 'Atham said, "The woman whom You gave to be with me, she has given me the fruit from the tree, and I ate it."

48. It is unorthodox in our system of jurisprudence, but the next verse has 'Ishshah back on the witness stand where the Lord asks her back to explain herself:

Genesis 3:13 Then the Lord said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" And the woman replied, "The serpent tricked me and I ate."

49. Both of these people were told not to eat the fruit yet each did. This is rebellion. They, at this point, are no different than Lucifer, the perfect Anointed Cherub, who later fomented his rebellion against God and now this perfect couple has done the very same thing—both are fallen.

³ "Discovery." The ascertainment of that which was previously unknown; the disclosure or coming to light of what was previously hidden." (Henry Campbell Black, *Black's Law Dictionary*, rev. 4th ed. (St. Paul: West Publishing Co., 1968), 552.



50. Lucifer, 'Atham, and 'Ishshah were perfect yet each failed. Ergo, it is obvious that fallen mankind so easily does so as a matter of course.
51. We are in a period of our nation's history where arrogance, pride, and propaganda are so pervasive that the illuminati pronounce themselves geniuses. All are presently dispensing fruit from the tree of good and evil and the benighted masses chomp away in fear and trembling.

The Denouement of Homo Sapiens' Fall from Grace

NOTE: The noun, denouement (dā-nü-mä'), is defined as “the issue, outcome, or solution of a complex situation.”⁴ The outcome of a complex sequence of events.⁵

The following passage reveals the sequence of events that occurred following the opening arguments presented before the Divine Court of Appeals.

Lucifer's argument was stated by means of his indwelling of the serpent whose propaganda resulted in the fall of 'Ishshah who then propagandized 'Atham.

Both of these events were challenged by Jesus Christ.

1. The next two verses establish the structure for the rest of the Bible which presents witnesses for the defense and witnesses for the Prosecution in the Divine Court of Appeals:

Genesis 3:14 The Lord God said to the serpent [נָחָשׁ (*nachash*)], “Because you have done this, you are being cursed more than all domestic animals and more than every wild animal; on your belly you shall move and dust shall you eat all the days of your life [**implication: this was the Lord's punishment for the serpent by His creation of the genus, ἑρπετόν (*herpetón*): reptiles, who previously had legs, but no longer]**].

Serpentine locomotion. The body assumes a position of a series of S-shaped horizontal loops, and each loop pushes against any resistance it can find in the environment, rocks, branches, twigs, dust, sand, pebbles, etc.

⁴ Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary, 2d ed. (1953), s.v. “denouement.”

⁵ Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, 11th ed. (2014), s.v. “denouement.”



The environment almost always provides sufficient resistance to make movement possible, and many snake species never use any other method of locomotion than this.⁶

Genesis 3:15 And I will put hostility between you [Satan] and the woman [נִשְׁשָׁה ('Ishshah)] and between your seed [Satan's] and her seed [the line of Christ]. He [Jesus Christ] shall crush your head [Lucifer's rulership authority in the fallen environment of *cosmos diabolicus*], but you [Satan] shall bruise His heel [Jesus Christ's heel on the cross].”

2. This is God's prophecy that He would introduce a perfect *Homo sapiens* into the world through the imputation of a zygote into Mary's womb resulting in a perfect human being named Jesus.
3. Following 'Atham's fall, Satan became the ruler of the world and will retain that status until the Second Advent of Jesus Christ. This prophecy is followed by the statement, "... but you, Satan, will bruise His heel" on the cross.

Genesis 3:16 To the woman [beginning with 'Ishshah], Jesus said, "I will cause the advancing multiplication of your pain in your pregnancy. With pain you shall bear children. Your intense desire will be to control your husband therefore, he will have dominion over you."

4. 'Ishshah violated her relationship with 'Atham when she ate the forbidden fruit. When she offered the fruit to 'Atham and he ate it, he lost control of her. In verse 16, God steps in and restores order.

Genesis 3:17 To 'Atham Jesus said, "Because you have listened to the voice of 'Ishshah [when she offered you the forbidden fruit] and you have eaten from the tree which I commanded you saying, 'You must not eat from it,' the soil of the earth will keep on being cursed because of you. In sorrow you will toil to eat from it all the days of your life."

5. Perfection of the environment and its ongoing provisions of logistics are over. Sin, disobedience, self-centeredness have replaced the halcyon days of yore. The formerly perfect earth is cursed. Not only must 'Atham work for his food, but he must also deal with weather since sin resulted in the Lord tilting the planet 23.5 degrees on the plane of its axis around the sun.

⁶ James A. Peters, "Reptiles (Snakes)," in *The New Encyclopaedia Britannica: Macropaedia* (Chicago: Encyclopaedia Britannica, Inc., 2010), 26:716.



6. This situation will last until the Millennium when Jesus Christ restores order to the universe. During these 1,000 years, the Prosecution has the floor before the bar of the Divine Court of Appeals.
7. Here's a lyric that describes the opening events of this dispensation:

“The Shekinah Glory Reigns!”

**The Lord God of Israel goes to war
Upon a steed of white,
And, following onward, the saints of old;
The kingdom of God is nigh.**

**The sword of Truth His coupe de grâce;
The Cosmic War is o'er!**

***Shama', Yisrael!* The Messiah has returned!
Come see, *Yisrael!* He is David's greater Son!**

**The government shall be on His shoulder;
He rules with a rod of iron;
And He shall be King over all the earth,
Thus, blessings to all abound.**

**The world shall see prosperity;
Perfection is restored.**

**The Lord of the armies shall rule eternally,
And we, the elect, are His honored royalty.**

**All eyes shall turn toward Jerusalem
The city of our God;
And there they behold with a scept'r of gold,
*Adonai Echad!***

**There, in the Temple on His throne
Between the cherubim—**

**Praise God! Thy most holy Shekinah Glory reigns!
All hail! Jesus Christ, the Shekinah Glory, reigns!** 

Music: “Panzer Lied,” German “Panzer March No. 9.” Reason for use: In World War II, Germany was among the Allies' enemies. Its government and the majority of its citizens were anti-Semitic. An overwhelming number of Jews were rounded up and either killed or imprisoned. At the Lord's Second Advent, He will eliminate all prejudice including anti-Semitism in His millennial kingdom. The prophecy in Revelation 19:11–16 describes Him riding His white horse into Jerusalem, accompanied by the mounted throng of resurrected believers. The lyric, “The Shekinah Glory Reigns,” describes this event while the martial music of Nazi anti-Semitism depicts Jesus' eternal rejection of its scourge in the dispensation of the Millennium.

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Genesis 3:18 “Both thorns and thistles shall grow for you to deal with. You will eat the vegetables of the field.

8. Man now has to work for sustenance where previously all logistics were provided by the perfect environment of Eden. Presently, human happiness is realized by personal efforts to provide for one’s family.
9. Note that the laws of divine establishment are now being introduced: first, marriage and second free enterprise. You are free to eat that which you harvest.

Ecclesiastes 9:9 Enjoy life with your beloved wife during all the days of your fleeting life that God has given you on earth during all your fleeting days, for that is your reward in life and in your burdensome work on earth under the sun. (NET)

Genesis 3:19 By the sweat of your brow will you eat food until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust and to dust you will return.” (NET)

10. The collective overt sins that both the woman and the man committed have resulted in the situation they now endure. They are alive in human bodies which demand physical work to maintain. Their happiness is linked to their devotion to the details of life that the earth provides, yet at the end of it all, they will return to the dust.
11. Next we find that a number of details that occur leading to the couple’s expulsion from the Garden of Eden:

Genesis 3:20 Now the man called his wife’s name Eve [חַוְוָה] (*Chawwah*); Εὐα (*Eúa*): “Life”], because she was the mother of all living.

12. The name “Eve” in English translations is not from the Hebrew name *Chawwah*. It is derived from the Septuagint’s Greek translation of the Old Testament. Therefore, the woman’s name, *Chawwah* was translated into the Greek text as *Eúa*. “Eve” is the King James Version’s transliteration of *Eúa* which has remained thus in all English translations of Bibles.

Genesis 3:21 The Lord God made garments out of animal skin for *Atham* and his wife and clothed them.

13. Notice the advent of animals for human use. This is the first occasion of animals being used for clothing for humans and also the first shedding of blood in the Bible.

(End JAS4-19. See JAS4-20 for continuation of study at p. 191.)

