#TheOriginofSin

THE ORIGIN OF SIN - PART 10 THE FINAL CHAPTER

"The name *Genesis* is from the Latin Vulgate, in turn borrowed or transliterated from Greek Γένεσις, meaning "origin"; Biblical Hebrew: בְּרֵאשִׁית, romanized: *Bərēšīt*, "In [the] beginning"

VOICE OF GOD I see that you've gathered a lot of stuff about Genesis. What are you going

to do with that? Do you have an understanding of it?

WRITER Honestly?

V.O.G Is there any other way?

WRITER No. My answer, no.

V.O.G. What do you see?

WRITER The story of the Garden, Adam and Eve is a myth, a mean-spirited myth

written in and translated into multiple languages, casting the human

elements as childish and vain.

V.O.G. You know that this is untrue?

WRITER I know nothing. I have taken the published story at face value, and given it

a dramatic re-interpretation. This is my idea of what might have happened.

V.O.G. Interesting, As the writer, you have the power and the privilege of

re-shaping time, of calling on me whenever necessary. I am immortal,

transcending time. Are you saying you're my equal?

WRITER I could not and would not. If you are willing, I would like to ask YOU some

questions.

V.O.G. Is there an unspoken "if I may" pinned on to that speech?

WRITER if I may, ask you questions?

"5 bThe Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every cintention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. 6 And dthe Lord regretted that he had made man on the earth, and it egrieved him to his heart. 7 So the Lord said, "I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens, for I am sorry that I have made them." 8 But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord".1"

V.O.G. I see you have assembled more information. I'll agree to some questions, I will decide how many "some" is.

WRITER The above quote is from the Book of Genesis and makes claim to detailing a conversation between YOU and Noah. Is it true? Did it happen?

V.O.G. It paints me very cruel, doesn't it? Vindictive even. Threatening to destroy all life, for the short fallings of one species? Were there tape recorders in those days?

WRITER It shows a GOD capable of tears and regret.

V.O.G. You doubt that I am capable of either?

WRITER your followers do. They seem incapable of awareness and emotion.

V.O.G. Your point?

WRITER

As those who follow take on the attributes of who or what they follow; so must the who to whom their adoration is given. The rules that govern their life become the rule that constrains the adored. In the final analysis, the adored and the adoring become one. The inquisitions are an example, and the witchhunts; in a weird sort of way, The Holocaust that claimed millions of Jewish and non-Jewish lives is also an example. Under delusions of Faith, human beings act as if the rules of relating did not apply to them.

How do you react to that?

V.O.G Ah, yes, my followers. They can be excitable can't they, and over-enthusiastic.

WRITER And they know how to manipulate language, to justify their acts. How do

you feel about that?

V.O.G. Uncomfortable

WRITER You had your flood, cleansed the world; get rid of evil, pettiness, petulance,

pride, ambition?

V.O.G. No

WRITER Did you not see ambition and the lust for power among the congregation of

the faithful throughout the ages? Wars amongst denominations? Wars between religions? Religions promoting and talking peace and love? Has it all been worthwhile? How does it feel to be GOD loved by three religions, at war with each other? Feel successful, or another day at the office?

V.O.G. Question time is over.

WRITER Eve did not bring sin into the world. Did she?

V.O.G. (Angrily) Question time is over.

(Scene change: God's office, centuries before the birth of Jesus)

(GOD sits at a desk reading The Book of Genesis)

No! No! No! That is not what happened!

(Gets up from the desk, and searches in

piles of paper., the search takes some minutes).

Here it is! (returns to the desk, looks through his acquisition

sees handwritten notes on the sections

concerning Eve and Adam, and reads them out aloud

"This did not happen! Talk to scribes, tomorrow!"

Then he remembered. "Tomorrow" didn't come

he had been distracted by something else.

He stares into the distance and recalls Eve

as a vibrant, curious, intelligent being, then looks at the written account

and mutters no! No! No!; HE remembers her laughter, her enthusiasm, her kindness, and at that moment feels a strange sensation of loss and regret. Adam and Eve, Eve's fear

of being objectified and cast as a second class being - all come true; it had been in his power to prevent it. He remembered them both collectively And singly; two individuals cast into a strange world

Trusting, naive, eager to learn, curious and resolute
Two people, he remembered with great fondness,
had been misrepresented and maligned.
At that moment, alone in his office, GOD wept

No one watched, no one saw; as the creator of this tale
I believe the enormity of what he had allowed to happen
Struck him. At that moment, he did what any sensitive
sentient being would do; he felt the loss, the sadness

The betrayal of the trust they had put on him; he wept

THE END

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