



Man's Divinely-Approved Diets, Gen 1:29; 9:1-4; the Mandate for Capital Punishment; Adam's "Helper": the Origin of Right Man-Right Woman

Genesis 1:29 - Then God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the surface of all the earth, and every tree which has fruit yielding seed; it shall be food for you;

v. 30 - and to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the sky and to every thing that moves on the earth which has life, I have given every green plant for food"; and it was so.

- 29) We learn from these two verses that prior to the flood both man and animals were herbivorous (plant eating), neither was carnivorous (flesh eating).
- 30) Following the flood both man and animal became carnivorous and man's dominion over the animal kingdom was expanded to include them in his diet:

Genesis 9:1 - And God blessed Noah and his sons and said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth.

v. 2 - "And the fear of you and the terror of you shall be on every beast of the earth and on every bird of the sky; with everything that creeps on the ground, and all the fish of the sea, into your hand are they given."

- 31) This is why you have to take guns when you hunt. The animals you stalk fear you and are in terror of you thus they avoid you, they will run, and when backed into a corner they will fight you only because flight has been denied them. Nevertheless, all the "beasts," and "birds," and "reptiles," and even "bugs" have been given to mankind for nourishment.

Genesis 9:3 - "Every moving thing that is alive shall be food for you; I give all to you, as I have the green plant.

v. 4 - "Only you will not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood."

- 32) The human's diet has been expanded to include the animal kingdom in addition to plants. This is said to be a gift from God with only one restriction: we are not behave as do the wild animals and eat an animal while it is alive. The reason: animals have no souls. Their life is in their blood and it is placed off limits for human consumption.
- 33) Up to this point man was not permitted to take the life of any animal. But after the flood He now allows man to do so, yet in His wisdom the Lord discerned that man, practiced in the slaying of animals, could turn those talents toward his fellowman as an evil problem-solving device. Therefore what follows is the required punishment to be imposed on man-eating animals and murderers.

Genesis 9:5 - "And surely I will require your lifeblood; at the hand of every beast I will require it [**beasts who kill humans must be destroyed**] and at the hand of man [**humans who murder humans must be executed**]. From every man's brother I will require the life of man [**originally execution of justice was a family matter**].

v. 6 - "Whoever sheds man's blood, by man [**brothers, fathers, et al.**] his blood shall be shed [**capital punishment for murderers**], for in the image of God He made man [**God imputed the soul to man and He alone is to decide when to remove it in death**].



- 34) The dominion of man is expressed in the divine institutions. Since man is made in God's image he is obligated to make decisions that reflect the desires of the Higher Authority to Whom he is responsible and accountable.
- 35) It is to be noted that after Adam was created (Genesis 2:7) he was placed in Eden (v. 8) and was immediately employed by the Lord. His job description is given in two paragraphs: (1) he was instructed to cultivate and manage the garden's produce (v.15) and to name the animals (v. 19).
- 36) We learn from this that Adam was created as an adult who spoke his language fluently and had the ability to make value judgments. His vocabulary was so fully developed that he had the capacity to observe the newly created animal creation and assign names to each of them.
- 37) The animals were created male and female, but Adam is said to have been alone in:

Genesis 2:18 - Then the Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone [בַּד *bath*: the circumstance of being along by oneself]; I will make him a helper [עֵזֶר *'azar*: helper, assistant, counterpart] suitable [נֶגֶד *negeth*: "in front of" plus the prefix כִּי *ke*: "corresponding with": a counterpart responding to him] for him."

- 38) Adam's solitude is noticed by the Lord and He provides for him what is described as a "helper." This is a key verse in the study of "dominion" and needs some attention that will be directly applicable to the evil of sexual promiscuity that ravages the children of America.
- 39) Because of the ignorance, perversity, promiscuousness, and amorality promoted by Progressive dogma, young adults are being robbed of a gift from God.
- 40) We will approach this problem by defining the gift and then observing warnings against bad decisions which destroy the intended happiness associated with the gift.

The Origin of Right Man ~ Right Woman

1. In Genesis 1:26 the Trinity decreed to create the souls mankind in Their image and in verse 28 the creation of human souls is decreed, both male and female.
2. Immediately we find the divine arrangement: the Lord knew that the man would be alone and therefore provided a solution to the problem ahead of time. He decreed to supply Adam with a counterpart who would complement him.
3. This counterpart was the female who is designed specifically for Adam. She was a perfect woman provided to a perfect man each having perfect life in a perfect environment.
4. Since they were perfect then salvation was not an issue. Thus the first blessing to be given to Adam was the woman.
5. The first item on the divine agenda was the creation of our original parents' souls. This is recorded in:

Genesis 1:26 - Then God said, "Let Us make [עָשָׂה *asah*: to create from a preexisting pattern] man [אָדָם *'atham*: the human race] in Our image [similar soul essence but with individual personalities], according to Our likeness ...

v. 27 - And God created [בָּרָא *bara*: ex-nihilo creation of the soul] the man [אָדָם *ha-atham*: the man Adam] in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male [זָכָר *zecher*: the male gender of the species] and female [אִשָּׁה *neqevah*: the female gender of the species] He created them.



6. Note that the word for “man” in verse 26 is the masculine singular of אָדָם *'atham* and when used without the definite article it always refers to the human race: mankind, Homo sapiens.
7. This same noun is used in Genesis 1:27 and 2:7 but *with* the definite article and makes reference to a specific personality, “the man” we call Adam.
8. Verse 26 is the divine decree to create אָדָם *'atham*, the “human race,” with souls that reflect the essence of divine personality.
9. Verse 27 is the divine decree to first create the man—אָדָם הָאָדָם *ha-atham*—with the female to be provided later.
10. Therefore, the physical creation of our original parents occurred in sequence. First, Adam, then the woman. The account of the former is recorded in:

Genesis 2:7 - Then the Lord God [יְהוָה אֱלֹהִים] *Yehovah Elohiym, Jesus Christ*] formed [יָצַר] *yatsar: to create by molding preexisting materials*] the man [אָדָם הָאָדָם] *ha-atham: the man Adam*] of dust from the ground, and breathed [נָפַח] *naphach: to blow*] into his nostrils the breath [נְשָׁמָה] *neshamah: indicates selection*] of lives [חַיִּים] *chay: lives: physical and spiritual*]; and man became a living being [נֶפֶשׁ] *nephesh: trichotomous human life: body, soul, spirit*].