

# Alignment of the Heart

Amo 3:3 Can two walk together, except they be agreed?

Lives of Adam and Eve

# CHAPTER I

When they were driven out from paradise, they made themselves a booth, and spent seven days mourning and lamenting in great grief.

#### CHAPTER II

But after seven days, they began to be hungry and started to look for victual to eat, and they found it not. Then Eve said to Adam: "My lord, I am hungry. Go, look for something for us to eat. Perchance the Lord Alahayim will look back and pity us and recall us to the place in which we were before."

#### **CHAPTER III**

And Adam arose and walked seven days over all that land, and found no victual such as they used to have in paradise. And Eve said to Adam: "Wilt thou slay me? that I may die, and perchance Alahayim the Lord will bring thee into paradise, for on my account hast thou been driven thence." Adam answered: "Forbear, Eve, from such words, that peradventure Alahayim bring not some other curse upon us. How is it possible that I should stretch forth my hand against my own flesh? Nay, let us arise and look for something for us to live on, that we fail not."

#### **CHAPTER IV**

And they walked about and searched for nine days, and they found none such as they were used to have in paradise, but found only animals' food. And Adam said to Eve: "This hath the Lord provided for animals and brutes to eat; but we used to have angels' food. But it is just and right that we lament before the sight of Alahayim who made us. Let us repent with a great penitence: perchance the Lord will be gracious to us and will pity us and give us a share of something for our living."

# CHAPTER V

And Eve said to Adam: "What is penitence? Tell me, what sort of penitence am I to do? Let us not put too great a labor on ourselves, which we can not endure, so that the Lord will not harken to our prayers: and will turn away His countenance from us, because we



have not fulfilled what we promised. My Lord, how much penitence hast thou thought to do, for I have brought trouble and anguish upon thee?"

#### **CHAPTER VI**

And Adam said to Eve: "Thou canst not do so much as I, but do only so much as thou hast strength for. For I will spend forty days fasting, but do thou arise and go to the River Tigris and lift up a stone and stand on it in the water up to thy neck in the deep of the river. And let no speech proceed out of thy mouth, since we are unworthy to address the Lord, for our lips are unclean from the unlawful and forbidden tree. And do thou stand in the water of the river thirty- seven days. But I will spend forty days in the water of Jordan, perchance the Lord Alahayim will take pity upon us."

# **CHAPTER VII**

And Eve walked to the River Tigris and did as Adam had told her. Likewise, Adam walked to the River Jordan and stood on a stone up to his neck in water.

#### **CHAPTER VIII**

And Adam said: "I tell thee, water of Jordan, grieve with me, and assemble to me all swimming creatures, which are in thee, and let them surround me and mourn in company with me. Not for themselves let them lament, but for me; for it is not they that have sinned, but I." Forthwith, all living things came and surrounded him, and, from that hour the water of the Jordan stood still and its current was stayed."

#### **CHAPTER IX**

And eighteen days passed by; then Satan was wroth and transformed himself into the brightness of angels, and went away to the River Tigris to Eve, and found her weeping, and the devil himself pretended to grieve with her, and he began to weep and said to her: "Come out of the river and lament no more. Cease now from sorrow and moans. Why art thou anxious and thy husband Adam? The Lord Alahayim hath heard your groaning and hath accepted your penitence, and all we angels have entreated on your behalf, and made supplication to the Lord;

#### Acts of Thomas 76

...and like your Christ that helps you in what ever you do, so is my father that helps me in whatever I do; and in the same way He uses you to prepare a vessels worthy of inhabiting, so also does he seek out a vessels whereby I may accomplish his deeds



Eph 6:10

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

Eph 6:11

Put on the whole armour of Alahayim, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

Eph 6:12

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high *places*.

Eph 6:13

Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of Alahayim, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

#### Eph 6:14

Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;

# Testament of Asher 1:6-7

Therefore if the soul take pleasure in the good (inclination), all its actions are in righteousness; and if it sin it straightway repenteth. 7 For, having its thoughts set upon righteousness, and casting away wickedness, it straightway overthroweth the evil, and uprooteth the sin.

Eph 6:15

And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

Eph 6:16

Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

Eph 6:17

And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of Alahayim:

Eph 6:18

Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;



#### Jas 4:7

Submit yourselves therefore to Alahayim. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

• Subordinate-lower in rank or position.

# Jas 4:8

Draw nigh to Alahayim, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse *your* hands, *ye* sinners; and purify *your* hearts, *ye* double minded.

#### Sir 25:1

In three things I was beautified, and stood up beautiful both before Alahayim and men: the unity of brethren, the love of neighbours, a man and a wife that agree together.

# Ecc 4:9

Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour.

Ecc 4:10

For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him *that is* alone when he falleth; for *he hath* not another to help him up.

Ecc 4:11

Again, if two lie together, then they have heat: but how can one be warm *alone?* Ecc 4:12

And if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

# CHAPTER IX cont..

and he hath sent me to bring you out of the water and give you the nourishment which you had in paradise, and for which you are crying out. Now come out of the water and I will conduct you to the place where your victual hath been made ready."

#### CHAPTER X

But Eve heard and believed and went out of the water of the river, and her flesh was trembling like grass, from the chill of the water. And when she had gone out, she fell on the earth and the devil raised her up and led her to Adam. But when Adam had seen her and the devil with her, he wept and cried aloud and said: "O Eve, Eve, where is the labor of thy penitence? How hast thou been again ensnared by our adversary, by whose means we have been estranged from our abode in paradise and spiritual joy?"



#### **CHAPTER XI**

And when she heard this, Eve understood that it was the devil who had persuaded her to go out of the river; and she fell on her face on the earth, and her sorrow and groaning and wailing were redoubled. And she cried out and said: "Woe unto thee, thou devil. Why dost thou attack us for no cause? What hast thou to do with us? What have we done to thee? for thou pursuest us with craft. Or why doth thy malice assail us? Have we taken away thy glory and caused thee to be without honor? Why dost thou harry us, thou enemy, and persecute us to the death in wickedness and envy?"

#### Hermas mandate 12

5[48]:2 "He cannot," saith he, "overmaster the servants of Alahayim, who set their hope on Him with their whole heart. The devil can wrestle with them, but he cannot overthrow them. If then ye resist him, he will be vanquished and will flee from you disgraced. But as many," saith he, "as are utterly empty, fear the devil as if he had power.

# Pro 16:2

All the ways of a man *are* clean in his own eyes; but the LORD weigheth the spirits. Pro 16:3

Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established.

### Hermas mandate 12

5[48]:3 When a man has filled amply sufficient jars with good wine, and among these jars a few are quite empty, he comes to the jars, and does not examine the full ones, for he knows that they are full; but he examineth the empty ones, fearing lest they have turned sour. For empty jars soon turn sour, and the taste of the wine is spoilt. 5[48]:4 So also the devil cometh to all the servants of Alahayim tempting them. As many then as are complete in the faith, oppose him mightily, and he departeth from them, not having a place where he can find an entrance. So he cometh next to the empty ones, and finding a place goeth into them, and further he doeth what he willeth in them, and they become submissive slaves to him.



# The Fall of the Devil CHAPTER XII

And with a heavy sigh, the devil spake: "O Adam! all my hostility, envy, and sorrow is for thee, since it is for thee that I have been expelled from my glory, which I possessed in the heavens in the midst of the angels, and for thee was I cast out in the earth." Adam answered, "What dost thou tell me? What have I done to thee or what is my fault against thee? Seeing that thou hast received no harm or injury from us, why dost thou pursue us?"

#### **CHAPTER XIII**

The devil replied, "Adam, what dost thou tell me? It is for thy sake that I have been hurled from that place. When thou wast formed, I was hurled out of the presence of Alahayim and banished from the company of the angels. When Alahayim blew into thee the breath of life and thy face and likeness was made in the image of Alahayim, Michael also brought thee and made us worship thee in the sight of Alahayim; and Alahayim the Lord spake: Here is Adam. I have made thee in our image and likeness."

## **CHAPTER XIV**

And Michael went out and called all the angels saying: "Worship the image of Alahayim as the Lord Alahayim hath commanded."

And Michael himself worshiped first; then he called me and said: "Worship the image of Alahayim the Lord." And I answered, "I have no need to worship Adam." And since Michael kept urging me to worship, I said to him, "Why dost thou urge me? I will not worship an inferior and younger being than I. I am his senior in the Creation, before he was made was I already made. It is his duty to worship me."

#### **CHAPTER XV**

When the angels, who were under me, heard this, they refused to worship him. And Michael saith, "Worship the image of Alahayim, but if thou wilt not worship him the Lord Alahayim will be wroth with thee." And I said, "If He be wroth with me, I will set my seat above the stars of heaven and will be like the Highest."



# Jasher 22:24-32

24. And Abraham went to the wilderness, and he reached the tent of Ishmael about noon, and he asked after Ishmael, and he found the wife of Ishmael sitting in the tent with her children, and Ishmael her husband and his mother were not with them. 25. And Abraham asked the wife of Ishmael, saying, where has Ishmael gone? And she said, he has gone to the field to hunt, and Abraham was still mounted upon the camel, for he would not get off to the ground as he had sworn to his wife Sarah that he would not get off from the camel. 26. And Abraham said to Ishniael's wife, my daughter give me a little water that I may drink, for I am fatigued from the journey. 27. And Ishmael's wife answered and said to Abraham, we have neither water nor bread, and she continued sitting in the tent and did not notice Abraham, neither did she ask him who he was. 28. But she was beating her children in the tent, and she was cursing them, and she also cursed her husband Ishmael and reproached him, and Abraham heard the words of Ishmael's wife to her children, and he was very angry and displeased. 29. And Abraham called to the woman to come out to him from the tent, and the woman came and stood opposite to Abraham, for Abraham was still mounted upon the camel. 30. And Abraham said to Ishmael's wife, when thy husband Ishmael returneth home say these words to him: 31. A very old man from the land of the Philistines came hither to seek thee, and thus was his appearance and figure; I did not ask him who he was, and seeing thou wast not here he spoke unto me and said, when Ishmael thy husband returneth tell him thus did this man say, when thou comest home put away this nail of the tent which thou hast placed here, and place another nail in its stead. 32. And Abraham finished his instructions to the woman, and he turned and went off on the camel homeward.

#### CHAPTER XVI

"And Alahayim the Lord was wroth with me and banished me and my angels from our glory; and on thy account were we expelled from our abodes into this world and hurled on the earth. And straightway we were overcome with grief, since we had been spoiled of so great glory. And we were grieved when we saw thee in such joy and luxury. And with guile I cheated thy wife and caused thee to be expelled through her doing from thy joy and luxury, as I have been driven out of my glory."

#### CHAPTER XVII

When Adam heard the devil say this, he cried out and wept, and spake: "O Lord my Alahayim, my life is in thy hands. Banish this Adversary far from me, who seeketh to destroy my soul, and give me his glory which he himself hath lost." And at that moment the devil vanished before him. But Adam endured in his penance, standing for forty days on end in the water of Jordan.



#### Exo 22:16

And if a man entice a maid that is not betrothed, and lie with her, he shall surely endow her to be his wife.

#### Mat 5:31

It hath been said, Whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement:

#### Mat 5:32

But I say unto you, That whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.

# H2181 (Strong) fornication

A primitive root (highly *fed* and therefore *wanton*); to *commit adultery* (usually of the female, and less often of simple forniciation, rarely of involuntary ravishment); figuratively to *commit idolatry* (the Jewish people being regarded as the spouse of Ahayah): - (cause to) commit fornication, X continually, X great, (be an, play the) harlot, (cause to be, play the) whore, (commit, fall to) whoredom, (cause to) go a-whoring, whorish.

#### Reuben 5:3-4

3 For moreover concerning them, the angel of the Lord told me, and taught me that women are overcome by the spirit of fornication more than men, and in their heart they plot against men; and by means of their adornment they deceive first their minds, and by the glance of the eye instill the poison, and then through the accomplished act they take them captive. 4 For a women cannot force a man openly, but by a harlot's bearing she beguiles him.

• Bearing: a person's way of standing or moving.

#### Hermas mandate 4

1[29]:4 I say to him, "Sir, permit me to ask thee a few more questions" "Say on," saith he. "Sir," say I, "if a man who has a wife that is faithful in the Lord detect her in adultery, doth the husband sin in living with her?"



1[29]:5 "So long as he is ignorant," saith he, "he sinneth not; but if the husband know of her sin, and the wife repent not, but continue in her fornication, and her husband live with her, he makes himself responsible for her sin and an accomplice in her adultery."

1[29]:6 "What then, Sir," say I, "shall the husband do, if the wife continue in this case?" "Let him divorce her," saith he, "and let the husband abide alone: but if after divorcing his wife he shall marry another, he likewise committeth adultery."

1[29]:7 "If then, Sir," say I, "after the wife is divorced, she repent and desire to return to her own husband, shall she not be received?"

1[29]:8 "Certainly," saith he, "if the husband receiveth her not, he sinneth and bringeth great sin upon himself; nay, one who hath sinned and repented must be received, yet not often; for there is but one repentance for the servants of Alahayim. For the sake of her repentance therefore the husband ought not to marry. This is the manner of acting enjoined on husband and wife.

1[29]:9 Not only," saith he, "is it adultery, if a man pollute his flesh, but whosoever doeth things like unto the heathen committeth adultery. If therefore in such deeds as these likewise a man continue and repent not, keep away from him, and live not with him. Otherwise, thou also art a partaker of his sin.

1[29]:10 For this cause ye were enjoined to remain single, whether husband or wife; for in such cases repentance is possible.

1[29]:11 I," said he, "am not giving an excuse that this matter should be concluded thus, but to the end that the sinner should sin no more. But as concerning his former sin, there is One Who is able to give healing; it is He Who hath authority over all things."