## Spirit of Life Community Adventist Fellowship Pastor William Dawson Prayer Meeting 6-19-07 "What Happened When Adam Sinned-PART 2?"

Once Adam and Eve rejected God, they set in motion powerful forces they could never overcome. Although this fall into sin made every human an enemy of God, He was still in love with us. He could not live with the idea of losing us. John 3:16. The thought that He would loose us for eternity broke His heart. We were in an unsolvable conundrum. We were in an unsolvable situation. As God came after us, He too was faced with an enormous obstacle. Our sin was nothing to play with. Sin affects/effects everything it comes in contact with. God wanted to put His arms around us immediately, but He could not take us back without contaminating His holiness. Sin is stinky, and sticky. Sin had become part of our nature. We are sinners whether we commit sinful actions. It is our nature. That is who we are. Sin could not be taken out of our lives like a decaying tooth. The decay of sin, the infection of sin had contaminated our entire nature. An inoperable cancer had overrun our lives. We were beyond cure. We could not stand up, and live right. Our sinful nature would not allow us to do so. We could not produce perfect behavior just as you cannot drink pure water from a filthy toilet.

The only way to rid the UNIVERSE of sin would be to kill every human being. Rom. 6:23. Sin placed us under legal condemnation. Because Adam and Eve had turned away from God, God in His perfect justice had to give humanity the death penalty. The punishment had to fit the crime. God could not say one thing, do another, and still claim leadership, and respect in the universe. 2 Cor. 5:10.

The ONLY POSSIBLE way for us to escape death for our sins was for a perfect human to offer himself as a sacrifice for everyone. One person could pay for everyone because it was one person who got us in this mess. This means before God could help us, He needed a human being who was without sin. He needed a human being who did not have a sin nature, and was willing to sacrifice his life for everyone. As you already know. Every human born since Adam automatically inherited Adam's sinful nature. Gen 4:1-8; 16:1-4; Ex. 2:11-12; Rom. 3:23.

God's solution to this dilemma was to have Himself born into the human race! God would be born of a human female without the seed of a human male. He would inherit His humanity from His mother, and yet be born without the inheritance of Adam sinful nature. Adam choose to sin before he had a sinful nature. The battle had to be won on the same terms. We needed someone fully human to win on the same grounds and standing that the first Adam had lost). At a specific time in history, and a specific place on the map, God, in the person of Jesus Christ, stepped down from heaven, and became one of us. Isa. 9:6: Luke 4:12-22.