

A background image of Earth from space, showing the blue and white horizon of the planet against a black starry sky. A bright sun is visible in the upper right corner, creating a lens flare effect.

A TIME FOR...

“Carrying True Identity”

Genesis 1:27-28 NKJV

“²⁷ So God created man in His *own* image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. ²⁸ Then God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

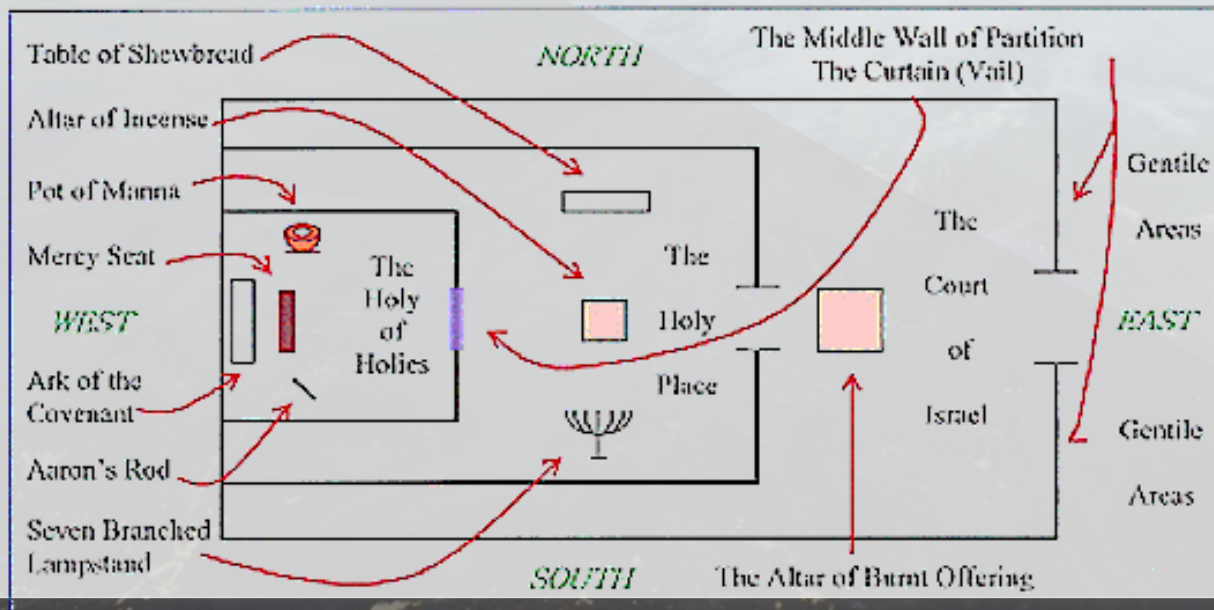
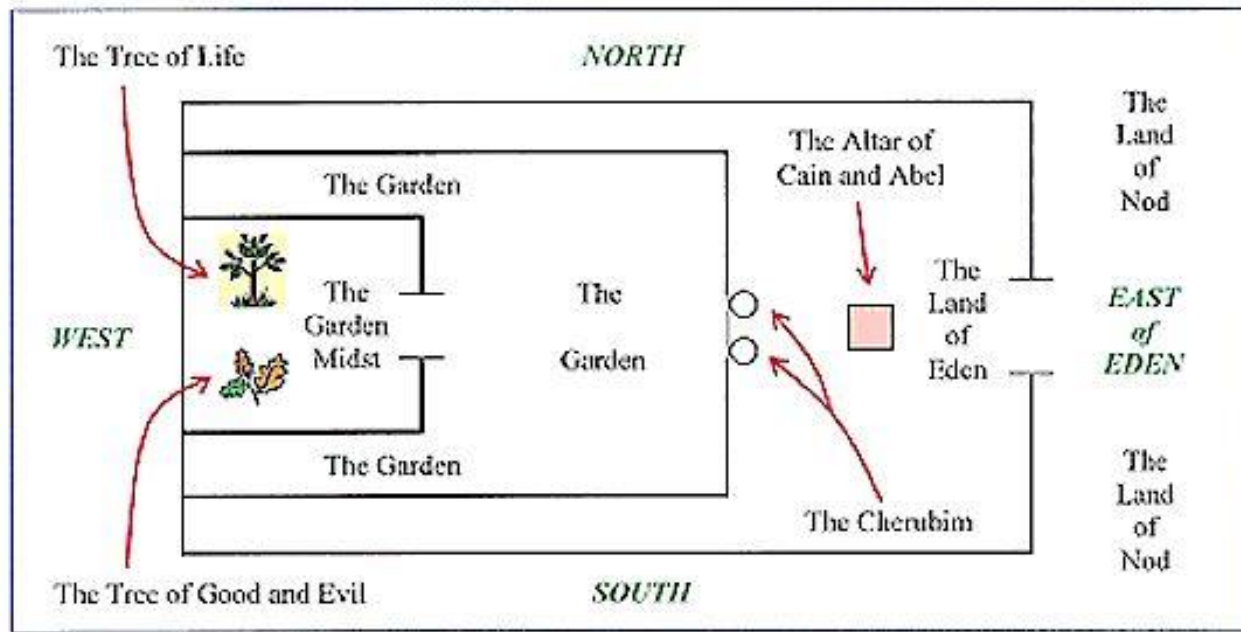
Man - The Priest King

Ruling as regent over the garden.

Communicating with God and
representing Him to creation.







Discerning between good and evil.

1 Kings 3:9 ‘Therefore give to Your servant an understanding heart to judge Your people, that I may discern between good and evil. For who is able to judge this great people of Yours?’

Man's purpose

Genesis 2:15 'Then the Lord God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to cultivate it and keep it.

Cultivate 'abad' (עבד) "to work," "to serve," or "to worship." Often used for cultivating the soil

"to keep," is shamar (שמר), priestly service of worship. Also keep, exercise care over or guard.

Used together for Israelites serving and guarding/obeying God's word. More frequently, priests and the Levites who serve God in the temple and who guard the temple.

‘His visage was marred more than any man,
And His form more than the sons of men’

Romans 5:14

‘Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned’

1 Corinthians 15:22

‘For as in **Adam** all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive.’

1 Corinthians 15:45

‘And so it is written, “The first man **Adam** became a living being.” The last **Adam** *became* a life-giving spirit.’

Colossians 1:13-15 NKJV

‘13 He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, 14 in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.

15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation’

The Restoration

2 Corinthians 3:18

‘But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.’

Colossians 3:10

‘and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him’

1 John 3:1-3 NKJV

‘1 Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. 2 Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. 3 And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.’