

# What ever happened to the Tree of Life?

## (A plausible flow of logic)

S Nelson 1/2011

**Premise:** Since it would be absurd to conclude that the Tree of Life could have died, we must come to one of two remaining conclusions. Either God took the Tree of Life from the earth, or it remains on earth hidden somewhere.

### God took the Tree of Life from the earth

**Problem:** If taking the Tree of Life from the earth had been an option, why didn't God remove it to keep it out of Adam's reach in the first place? God kept the Tree of Life out of Adam's reach by blocking his access to it with Cherubim guards and a flaming sword. Wouldn't it have been easier with less risk involved to simply remove the Tree of Life if that had been an option?

From this observation we may conclude that it was *necessary* for the Tree of Life to remain on earth. The flow of logic from this point then compels us to consider the probability that:

- The Tree of Life served an important purpose *other* than generating eternal life in a person who ate of its fruit.
- The fact that the tree is called the Tree of *Life* as opposed to the Tree of *Eternal* Life might be the all important clue as to what that purpose was.
- The Tree of Life might well have been designed and empowered by God to stand in His place as the on-going generator, sustainer, and epicenter of all life and life-support systems on earth so that He wouldn't have to continually monitor and micromanage everything Himself.
  - Precedence for this is established in the fact that God has designed many autonomous life-generating and life-sustaining systems within *individual* living organisms. Endocrine systems are a case in point. The Tree of Life could very well have been similarly designed to be earth's overall life-generator and life-support systems manager.
- *Without* the Tree of Life on earth to keep all life and life support systems in check and balance there would *be* no life on earth!

### The Tree of Life remains on earth

- The Tree of Life continues to be God's ordained on-going generator, sustainer, manager, and epicenter of all life and life-support systems on earth. The complexity with which all these are intertwined and dependant upon each other and **need** to be kept in balance is incomprehensible ...yet it is being done! (Note: Man need not concern himself with "climate change.")
  - Yeshua indicated the Tree of Life remained on earth "in the midst" of the Garden of Eden in Revelation 2:7 when he spoke of "*the paradise of God*". God referred to the Garden of Eden as "*the garden of God*" in Ezekiel 28:13. The Greek word translated "paradise" in Revelation 2:7 literally means "garden" (Strong's 3857), and this Greek word bears no meaning resembling a city where numerous Trees of Life are portrayed in The New Jerusalem in Revelation 22:2 and 14!
- The Tree of Life has been hidden from sight since the great flood where it continues to be perfectly inaccessible to man.
- **Its location:** Right where God planted it ...in the midst of the Garden of Eden!
- **Riddle:** That place remains *above* sea level, yet *beneath* "the waters which were above the firmament".