

Mary, the NEW Eve of Salvation History

- In the 6th Century BC... the people longed for God's Holy Temple...

- In the "cool of the day" while in captivity in Babylon...

- Daniel faced Jerusalem
- Offering prayers... confessing his sins and the sins of the people of God....
- At the hour of incense - 3 pm - one of the Burning one's (**Highest of Seraphim**)... the Archangel Gabriel came to proclaim a WORD from God for the future redeemer of the people of God.
- 490 years are decreed... (70 x 7 - how much do you forgive? Mt. 18:21-22) for the redemption and a NEW Temple!!!
- **Daniel 9:20-27** (RSVCE) *20 While I was speaking and praying, confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the Lord my God for the holy hill of my God; 21 while I was speaking in prayer, the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the first, came to me in swift flight at the time of the evening sacrifice. 22 He came and he said to me, "O Daniel, I have now come out to give you wisdom and understanding. 23 At the beginning of your supplications a word went forth, and I have come to tell it to you, for you are greatly beloved; therefore consider the word and understand the vision. 24 "Seventy weeks of years are decreed concerning your people and your holy city, to finish the transgression, to put an end to sin, and to atone for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal both vision and prophet, and to anoint a most holy place. 25 Know therefore and understand that from the going forth of the word to restore and build Jerusalem to the coming of an anointed one, a prince, there shall be seven weeks. Then for sixty-two weeks it shall be built again with squares and moat, but in a troubled time. 26 And after the sixty-two weeks, an anointed one shall be cut off, and shall have nothing; and the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. Its end shall come with a flood, and to the end there shall be war; desolations are decreed. 27 And he shall make a strong covenant with many for one week; and for half of the week he shall cause sacrifice and offering to cease; and upon the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator."*

- **In the Fullness of Time.... the LONGING of the people was satisfied**
 - **Galatians 4:4–5** (RSVCE) *4 But when the time had fully come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.*
 - Thanks to Daniel’s (7 & 9) prophecy... expectation for the coming Messiah had reached a fever pitch...
- **In the “cool of the day” while in serving in the Temple in Jerusalem...**
 - Zachariah entered into the Temple
 - Offered prayers & sacrifice for the sins of the people of God
 - At the hour of incense - 3 pm - one of the Burning one’s ... the Archangel Gabriel came to proclaim a WORD from God for the coming redeemer of the people of God.
 - **The “forerunner” has finally come...**
 - **Malachi 3:1** (RSVCE) *1 “Behold, I send my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts.*
 - **Malachi 4:5–6** (RSVCE) *5 “Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. 6 And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the land with a curse.”*
- **A NEW Virgin was promised... one from David’s line...**
 - **Isaiah 7:14** (RSVCE) *14 Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, a young woman (a VIRGIN) shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanu-el.*
 - **A young woman... a virgin... betrothed to Joseph of the House of David...**
 - Mary knew the promises... meditating on the law and the prophets... holding all in her heart... she EAGERLY awaited the coming of a NEW law... one written on their hearts... a NEW Creation!
 - **Jeremiah 31:31–34** (RSVCE) *31 “Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, 32 not like the covenant which I made with their fathers when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant which they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. 33 But this is the covenant which I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it upon their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 34 And no longer shall each man teach his neighbor and each his*

brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

○ **The "Burning One" visits this "Virgin" ... to announce the SECOND GOOD NEWS!**

- **Luke 1:26–38 (RSVCE)** 26 In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, 27 to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. 28 And he came to her and said, "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!" 29 But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and considered in her mind what sort of greeting this might be. 30 And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. 31 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. 32 He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, 33 and he will reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there will be no end." 34 And Mary said to the angel, "How shall this be, since I have no husband?" 35 And the angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. 36 And behold, your kinswoman Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. 37 For with God nothing will be impossible." 38 And Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

● **490 Days & a NEW Temple has come!**

- 6 Months - 180 days - When Mary visits Elizabeth
- 3 Months - 90 days - Mary stays with Elizabeth
- 6 Months - 180 days - Mary gives birth to Jesus
- 40 days - Jesus is presented in the Temple
- **490 DAYS....**

- **Luke 2:25–35 (RSVCE)** 25 *Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, looking for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. 26 And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. 27 **And inspired by the Spirit he came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of***

the law, 28 he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said, 29 “Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word; 30 for mine eyes have seen thy salvation 31 which thou hast prepared in the presence of all peoples, 32 a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to thy people Israel.” 33 And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him; 34 and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, “Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is spoken against 35 (and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that thoughts out of many hearts may be revealed.”

- **John 2:19–21** (RSVCE) 19 Jesus answered them, “**Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.**” 20 The Jews then said, “It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?” 21 **But he spoke of the temple of his body.**
- **The YES that saved the world!**
 - **St. Irenaeus - 2nd Cent. AD** - *And thus also it was that the knot of Eve’s disobedience was loosed by the obedience of Mary. For what the virgin Eve had bound fast through unbelief, this did the virgin Mary set free through faith.*
 - Irenaeus of Lyons. (1885). Irenæus against Heresies. In A. Roberts, J. Donaldson & A. C. Coxe (Eds.), *The Ante-Nicene Fathers, Volume I: The Apostolic Fathers with Justin Martyr and Irenaeus* (A. Roberts, J. Donaldson & A. C. Coxe, Ed.) (455). Buffalo, NY: Christian Literature Company.
- **In the Beginning!**
 - **Genesis 1:1–5** (RSVCE) 1 *In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. 2 The earth was **without form and void**, and darkness was upon the face of the deep; and the Spirit of God was moving over the face of the waters. 3 And God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. 4 And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. 5 God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, one day.*
 - God creates the realms... **FORMING creation**
 - Day 1 - Day & Night... and the next day...
 - Day 2 - Earth & Sky.... and the next day...
 - Day 3 - Land and Sea... and the next day...
 - God creates the rulers of the realms... **FILLING the VOID**
 - Day 4 - Sun & Moon... and the next day

- Day 5 - Birds & Fish... and the next day
 - Day 6 - Man & Cattle... and the next day????
- God said it is **NOT GOOD** for man to be alone!
 - Adam is formed from the dust... and the RUAH of God is BREATHED into him!
 - Charged with the Priestly task of Ah-bu-da & Sha-mar... to keep and protect
 - He is set up for success...
 - Abides with God in the Sanctuary of the Cosmic temple
 - Created FREE from the stain of sin... abiding in God's Grace.
 - Given the fruit from all the trees for food... BUT>>> there are 2 trees that stand out...
 - The Fruit of the Tree of Life to RESTORE Immortality...
 - The Fruit of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil... from this Tree... you must NEVER eat!
- **Day 7 - Sabbath Rest & The Wedding Feast...**
 - **Genesis 2:15–25** (RSVCE) *15 The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. 16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; 17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die." 18 Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." 19 So out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. 20 The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper fit for him. 21 So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh; 22 and the rib which the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. 23 Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." 24 Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and cleaves to his wife, and they become one flesh. 25 And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.*
 - Eve - **WOMAN**

- created FREE from the stain
 - betrothed to a MAN (Adam)
 - Abiding in God's presence... His Grace
- **Along came a snake...**
 - The great Na-hash is not your garden variety snake
 - The most subtle of all creatures... brings a wisdom... a nakedness that is contrary to the nakedness Adam & Eve enjoyed.
 - Subtly twisting God's words....
 - **Genesis 3:1–7** (RSVCE) *1 Now the serpent was more subtle than any other wild creature that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat of any tree of the garden'?" 2 And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden; 3 but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'" 4 But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die. 5 For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." 6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, and he ate. 7 Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves aprons.*
- **Where was Adam?**
 - Satan was speaking to both... "Ya'll"
 - Adam was King over creation (Gen.1:26-27)
 - Adam was High Priest called to offer sacrifice
 - Adam had recourse to the Tree of Life
 - Adam had recourse to God... he had only to CRY OUT... but, he was silent!
 - Man (Adam) was silent at the tree, in the garden... gave up his soul to save his flesh.
 - Was stripped of the purple cloak in which he was created...
 - Hid in a bush at the sound of God's coming
 - Cast to the thorns and the thistles
 - Labor in not in joy and Priestly sacrifice,,, rather in pain and turmoil to bring for the bread from the ground...
 - the sweat falling from his head on to the ground

- Denied access to the Tree of Life by an Angel with a BURNING sword... lest he eat, and live in his sin forever...
 - **The Women left to defend herself!**
 - Woman (Eve) - spoke to the creature then ate the fruit and gave it to her husband to do likewise...
 - The Woman... the Mother of all the living??? Gen. 3:20
 - **The First Good News...**
 - **Genesis 3:15** (RSVCE) *15 I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.*"
- **In the NEW Beginning!**
 - **John 1:1–5** (RSVCE) *1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God; 3 all things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. 4 In him was life, and the life was the light of men. 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.*
 - Day 1 - Light & Darkness... **and the next day... vs. 29**
 - Day 2 - Man of Earth & Man of Heaven.... **and the next day... vs. 35**
 - Day 3 - Fishers of Men gathered on the shore... **and the next day... vs. 43**
 - Day 4 - The SON will open the Heavens... **and the next day... Chapter 2 vs. 1**
 - Day 7 - **Sabbath Rest & Wedding Feast!**
 - **John 2:1–11** (RSVCE) *1 On the third day there was a marriage at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; 2 Jesus also was invited to the marriage, with his disciples. 3 When the wine failed, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." 4 And Jesus said to her, "**O woman**, what have you to do with me? My hour has not yet come." 5 His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." 6 Now six stone jars were standing there, for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. 7 Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8 He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the steward of the feast." So they took it. 9 When the steward of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward of the feast called the*

bridegroom 10 and said to him, "Every man serves the good wine first; and when men have drunk freely, then the poor wine; but you have kept the good wine until now." 11 This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

- **A NEW Adam and a NEW Eve!**

- **Jesus The LAST ADAM -**

- **1 Corinthians 15:45–49** (RSVCE) 45 Thus it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. 46 But it is not the spiritual which is first but the physical, and then the spiritual. 47 The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. 48 As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. 49 Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the man of heaven.

- As the High Priest... in a garden, by a tree... **CRIED OUT** to the one who was able to save him... **Heb. 5:1-7**
- Didn't hide at the sound of the hoard come to arrest him & didn't leave the Woman to negotiate for him... **John 18:1-9**
- Removed the sword in the garden... opening the way to the Tree of Life in the NEW Garden (Calvary). - **John 18:10-11**
- He chose to GIVE UP His flesh to save OUR souls!

- **Mary The NEW Eve -**

- Conceived immaculate - free from the stain of sin
- Betrothed to Joseph
- FULL of God's Grace
 - She IS the "Full of Grace"
- Stood by the Tree, in a Garden, and didn't say a single word!
- **Her YES to the Cross...**
 - the Fruit of HER womb,,, hung on the Tree of Life,,, becomes the Bread that Christ labored in turmoil, his blood like sweat, falling onto the ground, to bring forth the Holy Eucharist... the food which gives life to all the world!
- **Truly the MOTHER of all the Living!**
 - **John 19:26–27** (RSVCE) 26 *When Jesus saw his mother, and the disciple whom he loved standing near, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" 27 Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And*

from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

- **CCC 494** - As St. Irenaeus says, "Being obedient she became the cause of salvation for herself and for the whole human race." Hence not a few of the early Fathers gladly assert ...: "The knot of Eve's disobedience was untied by Mary's obedience: what the virgin Eve bound through her disbelief, Mary loosened by her faith."¹⁴² Comparing her with Eve, they call Mary "the Mother of the living" and frequently claim: "Death through Eve, life through Mary." (Epiphanius)

- **The Best Soil...**

- **Matthew 13:8–9** (RSVCE) *8 Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. 9 He who has ears, let him hear."*
 - Mary's heart is truly the best soil... producing the best fruit for God...
 - In receiving his seed, without hesitation, she produced nothing less than salvation for mankind!
 - Theotokos - God Bearer - Mother of God - Council of Ephesus - 431 AD
- **Is your heart good soil?**
 - When the Angel is sent this Advent Season... will he find you meditating on the promises of the Good News?
 - Will your heart produce the life saving YES and receive the seed of God's word?
 - Long for His coming... abide in His grace... stand ready with your YES!

- **Other 2nd Cent. AD Quotes from the Early Church**

- *For Eve, who was a virgin and undefiled, having conceived the word of the serpent, brought forth disobedience and death. But the Virgin Mary received faith and joy, when the angel Gabriel announced the good tidings to her that the Spirit of the Lord would come upon her, and the power of the Highest would overshadow her: wherefore also the Holy Thing begotten of her is the Son of God; and she replied, 'Be it unto me according to thy word.' " And by her has He been born, to whom we have proved so many Scriptures refer, and by whom God destroys both the serpent and those angels and men who are like him; but works deliverance from death to those who*

repent of their wickedness and believe upon Him.

- Justin Martyr. (1885). Dialogue of Justin with Trypho, a Jew. In A. Roberts, J. Donaldson & A. C. Coxe (Eds.), *The Ante-Nicene Fathers, Volume I: The Apostolic Fathers with Justin Martyr and Irenaeus* (A. Roberts, J. Donaldson & A. C. Coxe, Ed.) (249). Buffalo, NY: Christian Literature Company.
- 4. *In accordance with this design, Mary the Virgin is found obedient, saying, "Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word." But Eve was disobedient; for she did not obey when as yet she was a virgin. And even as she, having indeed a husband, Adam, but being nevertheless as yet a virgin...*
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- *having become disobedient, was made the cause of death, both to herself and to the entire human race; so also did Mary, having a man betrothed [to her], and being nevertheless a virgin, by yielding obedience, become the cause of salvation, both to herself and the whole human race.*
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- 1. *That the Lord then was manifestly coming to His own things, and was sustaining them by means of that creation which is supported by Himself, and was making a recapitulation of that disobedience which had occurred in connection with a tree, through the obedience which was [exhibited by Himself when He hung] upon a tree, [the effects] also of that deception being done away with, by which that virgin Eve, who was already espoused to a man, was unhappily misled,— was happily announced, through means of the truth [spoken] by the angel to the Virgin Mary, who was [also espoused] to a man. For*

just as the former was led astray by the word of an angel, so that she fled from God when she had transgressed His word; so did the latter, by an angelic communication, receive the glad tidings that she should sustain (portaret) God, being obedient to His word. And if the former did disobey God, yet the latter was persuaded to be obedient to God, in order that the Virgin Mary might become the patroness (advocata) of the virgin Eve. And thus, as the human race fell into bondage to death by means of a virgin, so is it rescued by a virgin; virginal disobedience having been balanced in the opposite scale by virginal obedience. For in the same way the sin of the first created man (protoplasti) receives amendment by the correction of the First-begotten, and the coming of the serpent is conquered by the harmlessness of the dove, those bonds being unloosed by which we had been fast bound to death.

- Irenaeus of Lyons. (1885). Irenæus against Heresies. In A. Roberts, J. Donaldson & A. C. Coxe (Eds.), *The Ante-Nicene Fathers, Volume I: The Apostolic Fathers with Justin Martyr and Irenaeus* (A. Roberts, J. Donaldson & A. C. Coxe, Ed.) (547). Buffalo, NY: Christian Literature Company.