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REASON FOR THE COVENANT BETWEEN GOD AND MAN (cont)

The world became progressively worse with no improvement. One day, God had to judge the earth by sending a great flood. He found one man by the name of Noah, who believed in Him. God brought Noah and his family out and rescued them. As the flood waters succeeded, and the ark began to settle into the mud which was everywhere, God spoke to Noah and gave him the same command that he gave Adam. "Go and replenish the earth". But things did not work out as God would have liked. God has to judge sin. He has no option. He is a righteous God, a righteous judge and He has to judge sin. The penalty for sin is death.

Noah had 3 sons, Shem, Ham and Japheth. Unfortunately, Ham committed a terrible sin with his father. His father cursed him and told him that he and all his descendants would be servant to his other two brothers. Finally down the line of the righteous, comes a man with whom God is finally able to enter a covenant with. From the seed of Shem, the descendants of Shem, was born a man called Abram. God knew that his man would give everything he owned to God, and that was the requirement of the covenant. That was why God chose Abram.

God had a plan to enter into a Blood Covenant relationship with Abram, so he could have control on the earth again. The same authority that Abram had and exercised <u>because</u> he was a legal citizen of this planet. The only way God could get access to Abram's control and authority and abilities on this planet, was by making a covenant so that they shared everything mutually. What God really wanted to do was to use Adam's seed. If He owned Adam, He could use Adam's seed to bring a body onto the earth for the NEW ADAM. God wanted to bring another Adam to this planet and through Adam's seed there was a woman named Mary, who would be the womb through which He could put His new Adam on the earth. God had to have a body for that new Adam but He could not make it out of the dust of the earth. <u>Heb.</u> <u>10:5.</u> The seed was placed into the womb of Mary. It was not a human seed. It was a divine seed, the seed of the Living God and Mary simply supplied the womb for that seed to grow in, and of course her seed had to fertilize God's seed, as we saw in Gen. 3:15.

Now let us look at something exciting. Turn to I Cor. 15. I want you to see that all this is in the Bible so that it will build your faith. I Cor. 15:45 "And so it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit." GOD STARTED AGAIN. Take note who this second Adam was. The spiritual however was not first, but the natural was. "The first man was of the earth, made of dust: the second Man is the Lord from heaven. As was the man of dust, so also are those who are made of dust and as is the Heavenly Man so also are those who are heavenly... I Cor. 15:47-48. Now look at the 22nd verse of the same chapter. "For as in Adam all die, ... Every person, even today, born from the seed of Adam, was & is born into spiritual death. A child's spirit is alive unto God and is able to fellowship with God therefore it is not condemned for it sin. If a child dies between the ages of 1 to 7 vears, that child is not accountable for his/her sin. Even so, it is born into death in that, that baby's spirit does not have the life of God inside his spirit. He is in fellowship with God, he is alive unto God and that is why Jesus Christ put that child on his knee and said that you have got to be like a little child if you want to even see Heaven. A baby does not have God's life in his spirit even though he/she is able to talk with God or commune with God he does not have God's Holy Ghost life within his spirit. Who is this second Adam, the last Adam who came to the earth to rectify all that the first Adam

messed up. JESUS CHRIST is that second Adam!

Now let's move to the scene where Mary is talking to the angel. (Luke 1:26). Now Mary, who is the seed of Abraham, is told by the angel you will have a son and His name shall be call Emmanuel, God with us. Matt. 1:23. What happened here? Mary received the seed of God into her womb right there. She fell pregnant right there with God's seed not a man's seed! HOW did God put his seed into her womb? It was the word of God which the angel uttered that went into her womb. The words of God. from the angel's mouth went into her womb and those words were the seed. How do you get born again? "having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the Word of God which lives forever." I Pet. 1:23. The Word of God is incorruptible seed, and God's word came out of the mouth of the angel and went into the womb of Mary. It was then and there the Holy Ghost overshadowed that seed so that it began to grow. That is why the blood that flowed through the veins of Jesus is God's own blood. The blood that is in the veins of anyone comes from the male seed. Acts 20:28 tells us that it was God's blood that was in Jesus' veins. A body was provided by God Almighty for the eternal Word, (Heb. 10:5), the eternal Son, God the Son to come down onto the earth. John 1:1 says "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." Verse 14 says: and the Word became flesh and dwelt among us....

THAT IS HOW IT HAPPENED!! The Word came down into the womb of Mary and it covered itself with flesh. It was then born onto the earth as Jesus Christ, the second Adam. In that way God could walk the earth with the authority of man.

There He is! The second Adam, a perfect man and yet a perfect God. All man and all God. The perfect man! The Bible calls Him the Son of man and it also calls Him the Son of God. His name JESUS means humanity! It is a name given for his humanity. The name Christ is the name given for his deity, the eternal One. In the book of Revelation, Jesus Christ is described as standing up and saying to John "behold I was dead, but I am alive for evermore." He said "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end." No, No, He was not born in a manger. He did not start in a manger. He has always been in existence. A body was prepared for Him! He came and slept inside of that body and walked the earth in it. The eternal Son of God. Isaiah tells us "Unto us a child is born... That is the humanity of Jesus. It then tells us " unto us a Son is given". That is the Deity of Christ. Perfect man and perfect God, walking this earth, the second Adam, repairing the problem that the first Adam caused.