

According to Scripture, there are many notable comparisons and contrasts between “the first man, Adam” who served as “a type of Him who was to come” and our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the Second Adam or “Last Adam”. These connections are highlighted chiefly in Romans 5:12-21, 1 Corinthians 15:20-49, and Ephesians 5:22-33, with constant references and allusions back to the events and descriptions of Genesis 2-3. Below is a chart detailing various connections between Adam and Christ.

	THE FIRST ADAM	THE SECOND ADAM
Identity & Role	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Created son of God with no earthly father (Lk. 3:38). (2) Appointed by God to represent mankind as his physical, covenantal seed. (3) Obligated to fulfill both <i>natural</i> and <i>special</i> precepts on behalf of his covenantal seed (Tables & Tree). (4) Obtained his bride when God put him to sleep, pierced his side, then awakened him in a garden (Gen. 2). (5) Appointed by God to serve as a gardener (Gen. 2:15). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Eternal Son of God with no earthly father (Mt. 1:23; Jn. 1:1). (2) Appointed by God to represent elect mankind as His spiritual, covenantal seed. (3) Obligated to fulfill both <i>natural</i> and <i>special</i> precepts on behalf of His covenantal seed (Tables & Tree; Ps. 40:6-8; Jn. 10:17-18; Php. 2:8). (4) Obtained His bride when God subjected him to the sleep of death (1 Cor. 15:20), pierced His side, then raised Him to life in a garden (Jn. 19:41). (5) Mistaken for a gardener by Mary Magdalene at the tomb (Jn. 20:15).
Personal Performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Tempted by Satan alongside his beautiful and sinless bride in a lush garden paradise (Gen. 2-3). (2) Ate the forbidden fruit in an orchard filled with delightful and permissible fruit (Gen. 2:9, 16). (3) Tempted successfully by Satan via Eve (his bride) to abandon self-denial by eating from the forbidden tree. (4) Subordinated God’s will to his own in the Garden of Eden (“You will be like God, knowing good & evil.”) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Tempted by Satan in a lonely and desolate wilderness, surrounded by wild beasts (Mk. 1:13). (2) Refused to turn stones into bread at the end of a 40-day fast in a barren wilderness with no food in sight. (3) Tempted unsuccessfully by Satan via Peter (a member of his bride) to abandon self-denial by avoiding the accursed tree (Mt. 16:22). (4) Subordinated His own will to God’s in the Garden of Gethsemane (“Not My will, but Your will be done.”)
Outcome & Consequences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Brought eternal death to his seed by his disobedience. (2) Incurred God’s curse by eating from a tree. (3) Concealed his shameful nakedness with fig leaves. (4) Cast blame upon his wife for his own personal sin. (5) Had a curse of thorns pronounced upon his fields. (6) Brought forth bread by the sweat of his face. (7) Barred from paradise by God’s flaming sword. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Brought eternal life to His seed by His obedience. (2) Endured & abolished God’s curse by being nailed to a tree. (3) Exposed in shameful nakedness for our sins. (4) Accepted blame for His wife’s sin, though He Himself was sinless. (5) Had a crown of thorns placed upon His head. (6) Became the bread of life by the (bloody) sweat of His face. (7) Opened paradise, being pierced by God’s flaming sword (Zech. 13:7).