

Eve: Breath of Life

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Questions to consider, discuss or journal.

- 1. In examining names and meanings, we see Eve's name defined as the heavenly breath of life to Adam's earthly clay. How does reading the first chapters in Genesis with this lens change its meaning?
- 2. The study of the the root words and their uses in this article brings us to the conclusion that the words naked and crafty were synonymous. Genesis 2:25 teaches that, after the pressure of social expectation is removed, the pretensions of ego stripped away, all personal and societal facades eliminated, we are, at our naked core, crafty." How can you keep your craftiness in check? What helps you restrain against this self motivated nature? How does Jesus cover your craftiness?
- 3. The author illustrates how the serpent wasn't there to trip Adam and Eve up, or destroy them; he was there so that Adam and Eve would be illuminated about their core nature. What has been your understanding of the role of the serpent?
- 4. The serpent is designed to trigger Adam and Eve's mental awakening. Have you experienced a spiritual mental awakening? What was your trigger? What did your path look like?
- 5. Eve grasped at equality with God. Is this something we do? In our efforts to control? Gain knowledge? Pass judgements etc?
- 6. Eve and Adam when they were created were already like God. We are already like God, made in the very image of God. What do we use our likeness for?
- 7. As Eve was created by God to help Adam become more godly, do you have someone in your life who encourages you to be more godly? How can you become a helper to those around you?