

### **The devil's trick.**

In the biblical story of the Garden of Eden, the serpent tells Eva and Adam that if they eat the fruit of the tree they will become like Gods. It is a subtle trick because to say: “will become”, is to implicitly assert that you are not.

If we consider it more carefully, we realize that the serpent does not give any proof of this, it simply states it as a fact. The reality was just the opposite, they were living happily in the Garden, in the presence of God.

The serpent represents here our “ego”, which is nothing else than the belief to be a separate entity. In the very moment in which we fall into this error (the original sin), we are expelled from the Garden and are condemned to effort and suffering “in the sweat of your face you shall eat bread”.

But there is no evidence whatsoever that we are a separated entity. We were created in the image and likeness of God, it is our natural state, we are already that which we are looking for. We are unlimited and the Kingdom of Heaven is here and now, but we keep repeating the same mistake here and now, at every moment.

Now that we know the trick let us stop deluding ourselves. Let us simply recognize what we are, stay in our natural state, celebrating life in divine company.

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