

ABOUT THE LOCATION OF EDEN

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Further on (Moses) narrates that God arranged a garden at the east and put different plants their including the Tree of life and the Tree of knowledge, on which one could find out the meaning of good and evil. Then He brought in Adam and his wife and ordered (them) to take care of plants. This garden was watered by the river which flows around the whole earth and split in four branches: the Pishon (this name means a multitude) flows in the direction of India and falls into a sea and is called the Ganges; the Euphrates and the Tigris flow into the Red Sea, and the Euphrates is called Phor which means expansion or flower, and the Tigris is called the Tiglat which means something narrow and pointed. And the river Geon flows across Egypt and means «coming to us from the east». The Greeks call it the Nile. (Joseph Flavius «Antiquities of the Hebrews», Book 1, chapter 1, p.3)

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