**Milton, *Paradise Lost*  Book 12**

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1-5 Narrator

6-62 Michael to Adam

13 second source of men

17-25 long period of peace and prosperity

25ff Nimrod and Babel

41 black bituminous gurge (mouth of hell)

44-45 Tower of Babel

52-56 many tongues, gabble

59 Heaven’s laughter

63-78 Adam to Michael

66-70 what God gave man to rule

73-74 Tower intended as siege and defiance to EF

79-268 Michael to Adam

81-82 tyrants subdue rational liberty

83-84 Fall brought end to true liberty

86 reason obscured or not obeyed reduces man to servitude

90-95 EF’s judgment when man subverts reason

101 irreverence of those after Noah

113-115 one man, one nation chosen: Abraham

123-124 mighty nation with EF’s benediction

130 from Ur to Canaan

137-138 gift of land

147ff seed of Abraham blessed

155 Jacob and 12 sons

157 sojourn in Egypt

160 Joseph

167 slavery

170-172 Moses and Aaron sent to deliver people; return to promised land

175-190 plagues of Egypt

195 Red [Reed] Sea

202 pillar of fire and cloud

215 40 years in wilderness

226 Twelve Tribes

227 laws from Mount Sinai

240-241 Moses as mediator

247-252 tabernacle with ark of the covenant

255 seven lamps

261ff battle for promised land

265ff Joshua

270-283 Adam to Michael

274 heart ease

278 EF’s favor of Abraham (unmerited by me)

283 so many laws argue so many sins (indeed)

285-371 Michael to Adam

293-294 some blood more precious must be paid for man; just for unjust

300-302 law imperfect leads to better covenant

310-312 Jesus will quell adversary Serpent

321 David

333-334 ark of the Covenant into the Temple

336-345 Babylonian Captivity 70 years

345-348 return to Jerusalem allowed by Cyrus and Darius

349-358 building of Second Temple

360-371 Jesus’s nativity

372-385 Adam to Michael

379-380 Virgin Mother (second Eve)

382 God with man unites

386-465 Michael to Adam

394-404 how Jesus defeats Satan

404-405 thy punishment the Son shall endure

409-410 grace

412-418 crucifixion

420 resurrection

430-431 bruise the head of Satan, defeat Sin and Death

435 waft to immortal life

440 disciples to teach

454 harrowing of Hell

463-464 all Earth shall be Paradise

466-484 Adam to Michael

470 good from evil

485-573 Michael to Adam

486 the Comforter

497-498 Pentecost

509ff wolves of the RCC (remember Spenser, too)

515-516 RCC clergy avail themselves of names, places, titles, secular power

530 persecution of the faithful

535 Truth shall retire

543-551 Second Coming; purification of Earth; eternal bliss

552-573 Adam to Michael

557 greatly instructed, at peace

560-561 to obey, love with fear the only God, walk as in his presence

565 good overcoming evil

552-573 Still Adam—but read as JM’s direct statements

574-605 Michael to Adam

575-576 sum of wisdom

581-587 key lines from JM though spoken by Michael: add deeds to

knowledge, add faith and virtue and patience and temperance and

love and charity—to carry Paradise within

588ff time to descend, end the vision, wake Eve

600ff tell Eve all so she will know the great deliverance by her seed to

Come

606-609 Narrator

610-623 Eve to Adam

611 God spoke to her in dream

615-619 to go (beautiful lines)

621-623 unworthy, yet favored

624-649 Narrator

629ff simile

632-634 blazing sword

637ff Michael leads them

Magnificent closing lines: please read aloud