



Excerpt from ***Christ Our Pascha***

3. *The Consequences of the Fall*

Sin distorts fraternity among humankind, as when a *brother* becomes a *stranger* and an *enemy* to his own brother (see *Gn* 4:1-16, the story about Cain and Abel). Sin introduces disorder into society, and gives rise to vain efforts to build a society without God (see *Gn* 11:1-9, the story of the Tower of Babel). However, the great expectations of human pride end only in great disillusionment, malaise, confusion and misunderstanding: “Skillfully you have planned to build a tower, O my soul, and to establish a stronghold for your lusts; but the Creator confounded your designs and dashed your devices to the ground.” (#156)