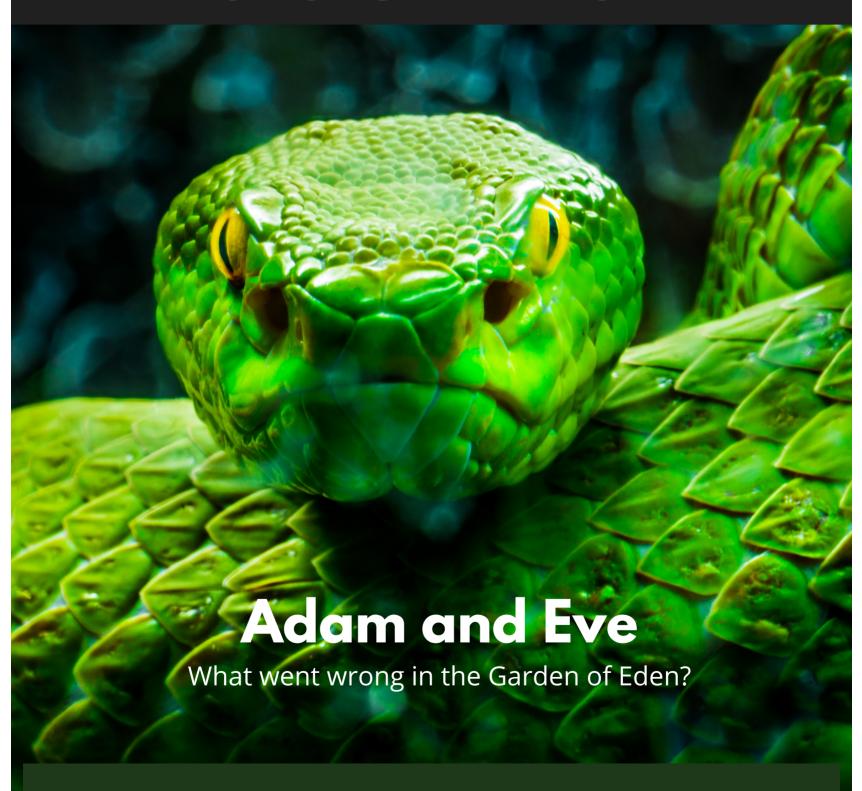
SCRIPTURE, STORIES, AND ACTIVITIES

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## Scripture The Faithful Version

### **Adam and Eve**

#### Genesis 2

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. And by the beginning of the seventh day God finished His work which He had made. And He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had made. And God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it because on it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.

This is the account of the heavens and of the earth when they were created; in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens, the shrub of the field was not yet growing upon the earth, and the herb of the field had not yet sprung up—for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no man to till the ground, but there went up from the earth a mist and watered all the face of the ground.

Then the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there He put the man whom He had formed. And out of the ground the LORD God caused to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food.

The tree of life also was in the middle of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from there it was divided and became four heads. The name of the first is Pishon, which surrounds all the land of Havilah, where there is gold. And the gold of that land is good. There is also bdellium and the onyx stone. And the name of the second river is Gihon; it is the one that surrounds the whole land of Cush. And the name of the third river is Tigris, which goes toward the east of Assyria. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.

And the LORD God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and keep it (to guard it). And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You may freely eat of every tree in the garden, But you shall not eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for in the day that you eat of it in dying you shall surely die."

And the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make a helper compatible for him" (a counterpart, a sustainer beside him).

And out of the ground the LORD God had formed every animal of the field and every fowl of the air—and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them. And whatever Adam called each living creature, that became its name.

And Adam gave names to all the livestock, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field, but there was not found a helper compatible for Adam.

And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall over Adam, and he slept. And He took one of his ribs, and afterward closed up the flesh underneath. Then the LORD God made the rib (which He had taken out of the man) into a woman, and He brought her to the man. And Adam said, "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh. She shall be called Woman because she was taken out of Man." For this reason shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave to his wife—and they shall become one flesh. And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and they were not ashamed.

# Bible Story Introducing Adam and Eve

God created everything on the earth in six days and He also made the first people then. Before He made the first people, He had made the earth and the sea, the moon and the stars, the birds and the insects and all the animals and the trees. But there were no people on earth when God did all these things. There was no one to enjoy the marvelous world He had made.



God decided to make human beings so they could enjoy His beautiful world and be a part of His family forever. So, on the sixth day, God not only made the animals that live on the land, He also made a man.

God said, "Let Us make man to look and be like Us. We will also let Him rule over everything that has been made." Then God bent down and took some of the earth and shaped it into the body of a man. He gave the body a head, two hands, two feet, two eyes, a mouth and a nose. Then He breathed into his nostrils and man came to life.

God called him Adam, which means red dirt. He was very pleased with the man He had made. Adam was glad to be alive. He got up and looked around at the wonderful world God had made for him to rule over.

He could see the beautiful flowers. He could hear the birds singing and feel the gentle breeze blowing. He could smell the scent of roses and taste the honey from the bees. Adam went all about the garden, enjoying its beauty. All the animals came to him and he gave them their names.

But something was missing. There were two of every creature, a male and female, but Adam did not see any other creature that looked like him. He wished he had someone to talk to each day as he went about his work. He was lonely.

Now God knew this too, so He said, "It is not good for man to be alone. I will make a companion for him." This companion would be a person like him in many ways. But at the same time, she would be different from him in some ways.

So God let Adam fall into a deep sleep and while he was sleeping, He took a rib from out of his side. With it, he made another person. When Adam woke up from his sleep, he saw a beautiful creature beside him. He looked at her. She was a lot like him.



But he also saw that she was different from him in some ways. She had glossy, long hair and rosy cheeks and Adam thought she was beautiful. He decided to call her 'Woman' because she came out of him, a man.

Adam was so delighted to have her. Now he had a companion to talk to and someone to help him do the work God had given him. Together, they could have children and start a family. This was another thing God had told him to do.

This was the best moment of Adam's short life; this was how God made the first man and woman in the whole world. And although this might be hard to believe, everyone living in the world today came from Adam and Eve. This is what the Bible, the Word of God, tells us.



### Scripture

The Faithful Version

### The Serpent Lies

### Genesis 3

Now the serpent was more cunning than any creature of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, "Is it true that God has said, 'You shall not eat of any tree of the garden?' "

And the woman said to the serpent, "We may freely eat the fruit of the trees of the garden, but of the fruit of the tree which is in the middle of the garden, God has indeed said, 'You shall not eat of it, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.' "

And the serpent said to the woman, "In dying, you shall not surely die! For God knows that in the day you eat of it, then your eyes shall be opened, and you shall be like God, deciding to know good and evil."

And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasing to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.

And the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day. Then Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

And the LORD God called to Adam and said to him, "Where are you?"

And he said, "I heard You walking in the garden, and I was afraid because I am naked, and so I hid myself."

And He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree which I commanded you that you should not eat?" And the man said, "The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate."

And the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" And the woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

And the LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this you are cursed above all livestock, and above every animal of the field. You shall go upon your belly, and you shall eat dust all the days of your life.

And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; He will bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel."

To the woman He said, "I will greatly increase your sorrow and your conception—in sorrow shall you bring forth children. Your desire shall be toward your husband, and he shall rule over you."

And to Adam He said, "Because you have hearkened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree—of which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat of it!'—the ground is cursed for your sake. In sorrow shall you eat of it all the days of your life.

It shall also bring forth thorns and thistles to you, and thus you shall eat the herbs of the field; in the sweat of your face you shall eat bread until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for dust you are, and to dust you shall return."

And Adam called his wife's name Eve because she was the mother of all the living. And for Adam and his wife the LORD God made coats of skins and clothed them. And the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of Us, to decide to know good and evil; and now, lest he put forth his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever—".

Therefore, the LORD God sent him out from the garden of Eden to till the ground from which he had been taken. And He drove out the man, and He placed cherubim at the east of the garden of Eden, and a flaming sword which turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.

#### Bible Story

### **Adam and Eve Disobey God**

After God made Adam and Eve, He put them to live in the Garden of Eden. There were two very special trees in the garden. One was the tree of life and the other was the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

God told them that they could eat of any of the other trees, but not of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. He said that on the day they ate of its fruit they would die.



It was a beautiful tree with delicious looking fruits. But Adam and Eve did not pick any of them because God told them not to eat its fruit.

But one day, Eve was walking by herself in the garden near the tree. She stopped to look at the delicious fruits on it. They looked so good to eat and the blossoms on the tree smelled sweet. Eve hesitated.

She wondered why these lovely fruits would kill them. If the tree was so dangerous, why did God plant it in their garden?

She was just about to turn away from it when a serpent spoke to her.

He asked her, "Did God really say you are not to eat from this tree?"

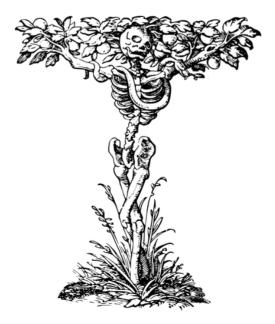
Eve was not afraid of the serpents because up to that time they had not done anything to hurt her or Adam.

She thought about what the serpent said before replying, "You know, God said we should not eat of - or even touch it - or we will die."

The serpent laughed at her and said, "Do you believe that? It's not true at all. You will not die at all."

"I won't?" Eve asked in surprise. Did God not tell her the truth? She wondered who was speaking the truth. God or the serpent?

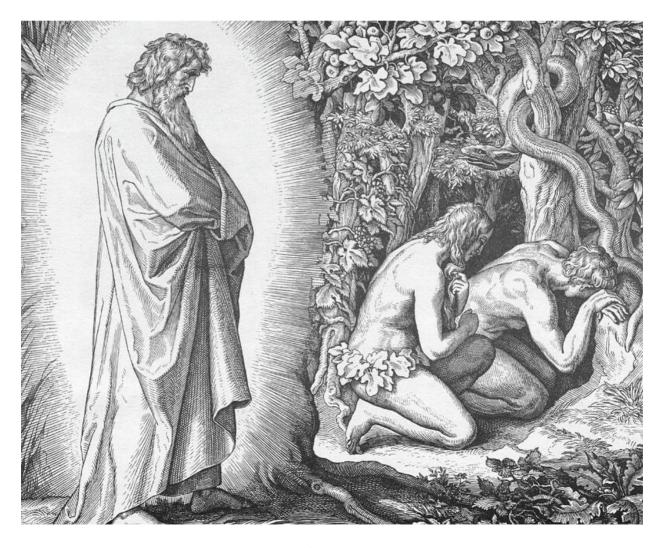
Quickly the serpent said, "Stop thinking about what God said, He knows if you eat it you will become just like Him. You will know and understand everything."



Eve liked the idea of being like God, so she picked the fruit and ate it. She enjoyed it so much she ran to Adam and told him to take a bite and he did.

Immediately, something changed for the two of them. They suddenly knew that they did not have any clothes on. Feeling very ashamed, they ran and grabbed some leaves and made clothes to cover themselves.

Then they went and hid from God because they now felt there was something wrong with walking around naked. They also felt guilty for disobeying Him. They were afraid of what He was going to do.





God found Adam and Eve hiding from him. He asked them if they had eaten the forbidden fruit.

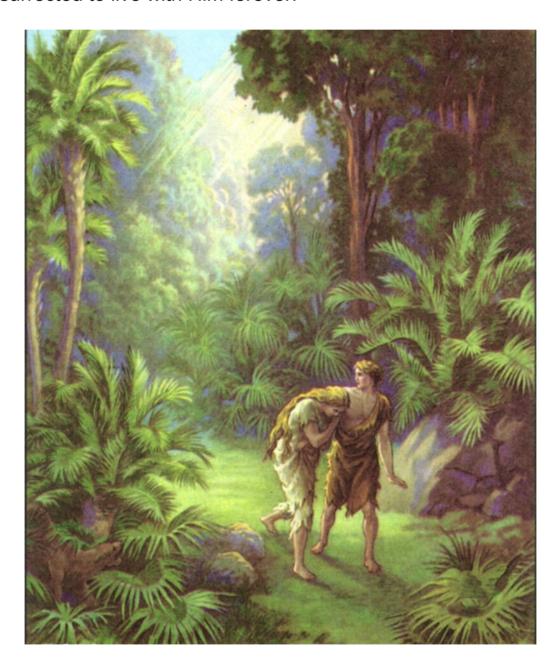
Adam said "yes" and blamed Eve for giving it to him. Eve then blamed the serpent for tempting her to eat it.

This was their consequence for disobeying God. Adam now had to work very hard for his living and Eve would have pain when she was having a baby.

God also punished the serpent for tempting Eve. From now on he would crawl on his belly and eat dust as part of his food. Then God drove Adam and Eve out of the Garden of Eden. They could not live there anymore because of their disobedience.

This is how sin first came into the world. Along with sin came sickness, sorrow, pain and death. Since all of us come from Adam and Eve, we are all sinners and we get sick, feel pain and we will all die.

But the good news is that Jesus, God's son, came and died for our sins so our sins can be forgiven and one day we can be resurrected to live with Him forever.



### Bible Memory Verse

Ages 4 - 5

#### Genesis 2:15

And the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden.

Ages 6 - 7

### Genesis 2:15

And the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to dress it and keep it (to guard it).

Ages 8 - 9

### Genesis 2:15-17

And the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to dress it and keep it (to guard it). And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You may freely eat of every tree in the garden, but you shall not eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for in the day that you eat of it in dying you shall surely die.









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I love bible stories, do you?

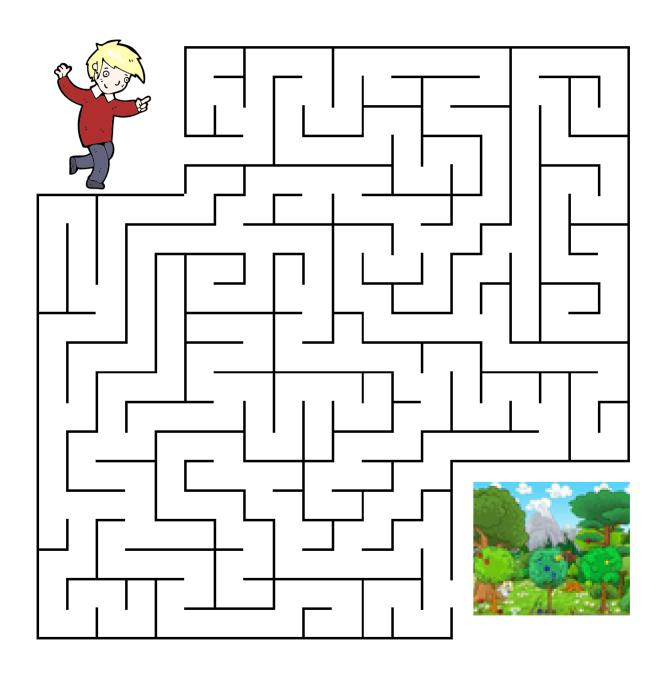
### GENESIS 2-3

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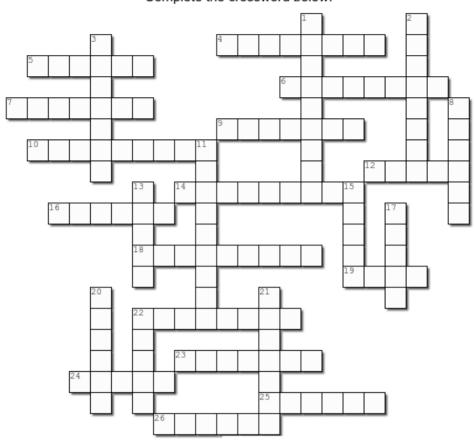
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# Find your way to the Garden of Eden!



#### Genesis 2 and 3

Complete the crossword below.



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to make one wise.
22. 'In the day that you eat of it (tree of knowledge of good
and evil) in you shall die.'

### **Story Time**

### The Rope

Billy loved visiting Grandma and Grandpa. They laughed a lot and the house was peaceful. And there was a large oak tree in the backyard that he loved to climb every year. Billy smiled at the old tree through the window, looking forward to climbing it later.



His eyes turned back to the room when he heard Uncle Rob groan. Billy saw his Uncle cover his face in his hands and Sally and Tom laughing at him. Grandma told Grandpa not to embarrass their son.

Grandpa looked a bit confused. "There's nothing to be embarrassed about," he exclaimed. "I am sure Billy would love to hear a story about his Uncle Rob."

Billy laughed and nodded his head.

He knew the story by heart but if Grandpa wanted to tell it, well, he would pretend he was hearing it for the first time. Poor Uncle Rob, he thought.

Then, Uncle Rob said, "How about I tell the story this time, Dad, since I'm the star?" Grandpa nodded.

I was waiting for a couple of friends to show up down at Murphy's Park. There had been a bad storm up north and the river was muddy, and rubbish of all sorts was floating on the current. A rope dangled from a tree branch in front of my eyes. Dad must have guessed my thoughts because he warned me, "Don't swing out over the river on that rope Rob." Well, the rope looked perfectly safe to me. It looked like a great rope to swing on. Dad patted me on the back and cast an uneasy glance at the river before turning to walk away.

I stood awhile staring at the rope. It hung from a large green tree, overhanging the brown river. Tree branches and other debris floated quickly by with the fast current and I remember wondering if any cars would start floating down the river. But that didn't stop me from wanting to swing.

I kept looking at the rope and the longer I stared at it, the more I wanted to swing on it. I wasn't a baby! I was nine years old! I thought I could decide for himself.

I took the rope in a firm grip. I heard a shout but ignored it. I held the rope tight, took a few steps backwards, ready to take a running jump. I never saw it coming. I was attacked from behind by a large monster, who threw me to the ground. HARD. It was a brutal attack. (Uncle Rob grinned at Grandpa.)

OUCH! I was hurt so bad and I couldn't get my breath. Then I realized the voice shouting at me was Dad. "You're grounded till you're a hundred!" Dad yelled, crying. "Thank you, Lord, thank you." Dad was blubbering like a child. I didn't understand what was wrong. Dad pulled me up and pointed to the river. A car was floating down the river alongside a section of metal fencing. Then Dad reached for the rope and tugged hard. It fell apart in his hands, leaving only two thin cords holding it together. He tugged again and the rope broke completely.

I looked up at Dad, still in shock. "I thought you had gone," I said. "I came back. I had an urgent sense of danger." Dad looked up to Heaven. "Thank you, thank you Lord. I know you saved Rob."

I had never seen Dad cry before. I started crying too. "I'm sorry, Dad," I tugged at his arm. But Dad didn't hear me. He was still thanking God.

"Grandpa nodded his head. "Yes, God saved you Rob."
Then, he looked across at Billy seriously. "Uncle Rob was about to make a very bad decision because he didn't walk away from temptation." Everybody nodded, including Uncle Rob.

Grandpa smiled. "Have you heard about the tree of the knowledge of good and evil?" he asked, picking up his bible. He turned to Genesis 3 verse 3 and started to read: "But of the fruit of the tree which is in the middle of the garden, God has indeed said, "You shall not eat of it, neither shall you touch it, lest you die."

Grandpa looked over his glasses. "What did God say they must not do?" Billy answered, "they were told not to eat the fruit on the tree of knowledge of good and evil."

Grandpa nodded his head. "Yes, but God told them something else that we often miss. Do you know what that was?" Sally bounced up and down on her seat, putting her hand up excitedly. "I know!" she said. "They were told not to even touch it!"

"Well done, Sally!" Grandpa praised. "That's right. Big sins start with tiny steps: looking, touching, eating and then?" "Consequences!" Everyone shouted.

After everyone had left, Grandpa and Billy wandered out to the garden. Grandpa put his arm around his shoulders. He sighed, "Sorry Billy, we just found out that old tree is full of termites. You can't climb it; the branches are unsafe."

Billy blinked back tears and looked up at the tree. It looked as strong as it ever was. Perhaps ... He shook his head, turned and hugged Grandpa. He definitely did not want to end up in one of Grandpa's stories.

### Prayer from Psalm 1

Dear Father in Heaven,

Please keep me from listening to bad advice. Guard me from joining kids who are doing the wrong thing. Help me to guard my tongue and not say unkind things to people. Then I will be blessed.

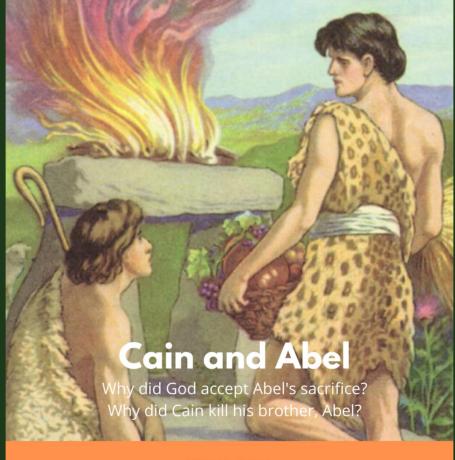
Teach me your ways and help me to love them. Remind me to think about them often. Then I shall be like a big leafy tree that grows lovely fruit and I will succeed in what ever I do. Thank you.

In Jesus Christ's name, Amen.



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