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Where are you?



Genesis 3

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Part I**

Genesis 3:1-6

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Acts 17:11 (ESV)

Now these (Berean) Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so.

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Blessing for Torah Study

Blessed are you, LORD God, King of the universe who sanctifies us and commanded us to immerse ourselves in the words of Torah. Sweeten the words of your Torah in our mouths. Blessed are you Lord, giver of the Torah. אמן!

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Roadmap

The serpent casts doubt
Man and woman disobey
God's judgment
Mercy, Redemption, and Repentance

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Chapter Summary

At the end of chapter two, Adam and Eve are placed in the Garden of Eden and commanded not to eat from the “Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil.”

The serpent persuades Eve to violate the command, and she shares the forbidden fruit with her husband. Because of their sin, it is decreed that man will experience death, returning to the soil from which he was formed and that all gain will come only through struggle and hardship. Man is banished from the Garden.

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Genesis 3:1

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “**Did God actually say,** ‘You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?’”

References

Rev 20:2 And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years,

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As the serpent deceived Eve by his cunning, your thoughts will be led astray from a sincere and pure devotion to Christ.



Cultic basin with snakes, circa 2000 BC

2 Cor 11:3

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Fear of missing out (FOMO) is the feeling of apprehension that one is either not in the know or missing out on **information, events, experiences, or life decisions** that could make one's life better.

It is characterized by a desire to stay continually connected with what others are doing, and **can be described as the fear that deciding not to participate is the wrong choice.** (Wikipedia)

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Genesis 3:2-3	References
And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it , lest you die.’”	Rev 22:18-19 I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them , God will add to him the plagues described in this book, and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city , which are described in this book.

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Neither shall you touch it lest you die.



Viktor Karlovich Schtember - Eva

Gen 3:3

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Genesis 3:4-5

But the serpent said to the woman,
 “You will not surely die. For God
 knows that when you eat of it your
 eyes will be opened, and you will be
 like God, knowing good and evil.”

References

John 8:44

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He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.



Palestine viper at Yad HaShmonah

John 8:44

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Genesis 3:6	References
<p>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate.</p>	<p>1 Co 10:13-14 1 Tim 2:14</p>

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God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.



Capturing deer with nets, from the palace of Ashurbanipal at Nineveh, 7th C BC 1 Cor 10:13

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Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and fell into transgression



Bronze snake statue from Pompeii, 1st century AD

2 Tim 2:14

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1st vs 2nd Adam

Verse	First Adam	Jesus (2 nd Adam)
Romans 5:15	Many died through one man's trespass	Much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ
Romans 5:16	The judgment following one trespass brought condemnation	The free gift following many trespasses brought justification
Romans 5:17	Because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man	Much more those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness will reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ
Romans 5:18	One trespass led to condemnation for all men	One act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men

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1st vs 2nd Adam

Verse	First Adam	Jesus (2 nd Adam)
Romans 5:19	by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners	by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous
1 Cor 15:21	by a man came death	by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead
1 Cor 15:22	in Adam all die	in Christ shall all be made alive
1 Cor 15:45	The first man Adam became a living being	the last Adam became a life-giving spirit
1 Cor 15:46	The spiritual is not first, but the natural	Then the spiritual
1 Cor 15:47	The first man is from the earth	The second man is from heaven

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1st vs 2nd Adam

Verse	First Adam	Jesus (2 nd Adam)
1 Cor 15:48	As is the earthly, so also are those who are earthly	And as is the heavenly, so also are those who are heavenly
1 Cor 15:49	Just as we have born the image of the earthly	We will also bear the image of the heavenly

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Walking in His Dust

**We should look for opportunities to save others
from embarrassment**



Joh 15:13 Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends.

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Genesis 3:7

Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

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And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths



Fig tree near Aijalon Valley

Gen 3:7

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Genesis 3:8-9

And they **heard the sound** of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, **“Where are you?”**

References

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Genesis 3:10-11

And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was **naked**, and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were **naked**?"

References

1 Cor 6:15

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Shall I take away the members of Christ and make them members of a harlot?



Ruins of the Temple of Aphrodite on the Acrocorinth

1 Cor 6:15

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Genesis 3:11-13

Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

References

1Jn 1:8-9 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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She gave me the fruit and I ate



Fresco of fruit, wine, and raisins, from Pompeii, 1st century AD

Gen 3:12

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<i>Genesis 3:14-15</i>	<i>References</i>
<p>The LORD God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring (seed) and her offspring (seed); he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.”</p>	<p>Rev 12:13 And when the dragon saw that he had been thrown down to the earth, he pursued the woman who had given birth to the male child. Luke 10:19 Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you.</p>

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<i>Genesis 3:16</i>	<i>References</i>
<p>To the woman he said, “I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be contrary to your husband, but he shall rule over you.”</p>	<p>Romans 8:21-22 that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now.</p>

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<i>Genesis 3:17-19</i>	<i>References</i>
<p>And to Adam he said, “Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, ‘You shall not eat of it,’ cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”</p>	<p>Rev 22:3 No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him.</p> <p>Rev 21:4 He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”</p>

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<i>Genesis 3:20-21</i>	<i>References</i>
<p>The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.</p>	<p>Mat 25:36</p>

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Walking In His Dust:

We are obligated to provide clothes for the needy



Mat 25:36, 38, 40 I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' ... And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? ... And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

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Walking In His Dust:

We must be aware of the greatness of lovingkindness



“Lovingkindness is greater than charity:
 - Charity is performed only with money, whereas lovingkindness can be performed in ways besides money.
 - Charity applies only to the poor, whereas lovingkindness applies to everyone.”

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<i>Genesis 3:22-23</i>	<i>References</i>
<p>Then the LORD God said, “Behold, the man has become like one of us in knowing good and evil. Now, lest he reach out 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 work the ground from which he was taken.</p>	

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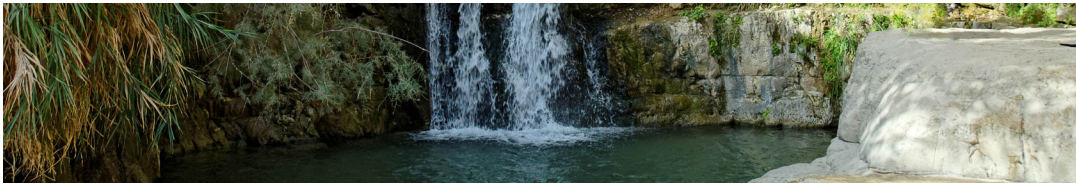
<i>Genesis 3:24</i>	<i>References</i>
<p>He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.</p>	<p>Rev 22:2 through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.</p>

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He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, from within him will flow rivers of living water



“The cure for Adam’s sin can only be obtained by an immersion of repentance into the death and resurrection of Messiah – the Living Water that flows from the River of Life.” – Daniel Lancaster



Waterfall in Nahal David, En Gedi

John 7:38

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