

# gods at war

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The serpent was the shrewdest of all the wild animals the LORD God had made. One day he asked the woman, “Did God really say you must not eat the fruit from any of the trees in the garden?”

“Of course we may eat fruit from the trees in the garden,” the woman replied. “It’s only the fruit from the tree in the middle of the garden that we are not allowed to eat. God said, ‘You must not eat it or even touch it; if you do, you will die.’”

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“You won’t die!” the serpent replied to the woman. **“God knows that your eyes will be opened as soon as you eat it, and you will be like God, knowing both good and evil.”**

The woman was convinced. She saw that the tree was beautiful and its fruit looked delicious, and she wanted the wisdom it would give her. So she took some of the fruit and ate it. Then she gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it, too.

Genesis 3:1-6

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“Two men went to the Temple to pray. One was a Pharisee, and the other was a despised tax collector. The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed this prayer:

‘I thank you, God, that I am not like other people—cheaters, sinners, adulterers. I’m certainly not like that tax collector! I fast twice a week, and I give you a tenth of my income.’

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“But the tax collector stood at a distance and dared not even lift his eyes to heaven as he prayed. Instead, he beat his chest in sorrow, saying, ‘O God, be merciful to me, for I am a sinner.’”



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I tell you, this sinner, not the Pharisee, returned home justified before God. For those who **exalt** themselves will be **humbled**, and those who **humble** themselves will be **exalted**.”

Luke 18:10-14 (NLT)

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“Humility is not thinking less of yourself,  
it's thinking of yourself less.”

- Rick Warren

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**“Therefore, I will bring my case against you,” says the Lord.**

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For my people have done two evil things:

1. They have abandoned me - the fountain of living water.
2. And they have dug for themselves cracked cisterns that can hold no water at all!

Jeremiah 2:9-13 (NLT)