

The Beginning of the World

2. THE BEGINNING OF SIN

Life was perfect until Adam and Eve sinned and brought death into the world. Because of the first sin, we suffer from the effects of sin today.

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman,



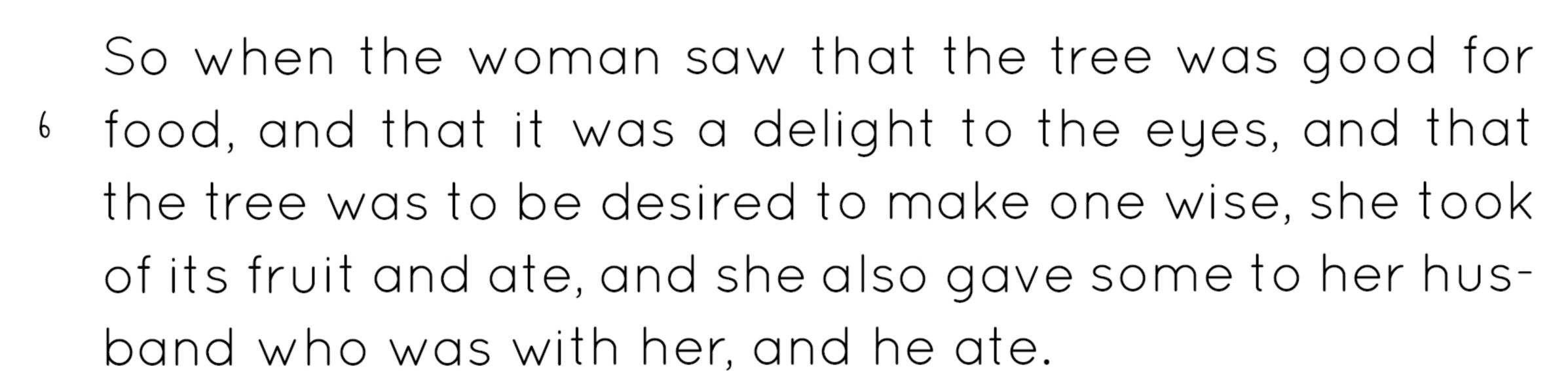
- And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden,
- but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'"



4 But the serpent said to the woman,

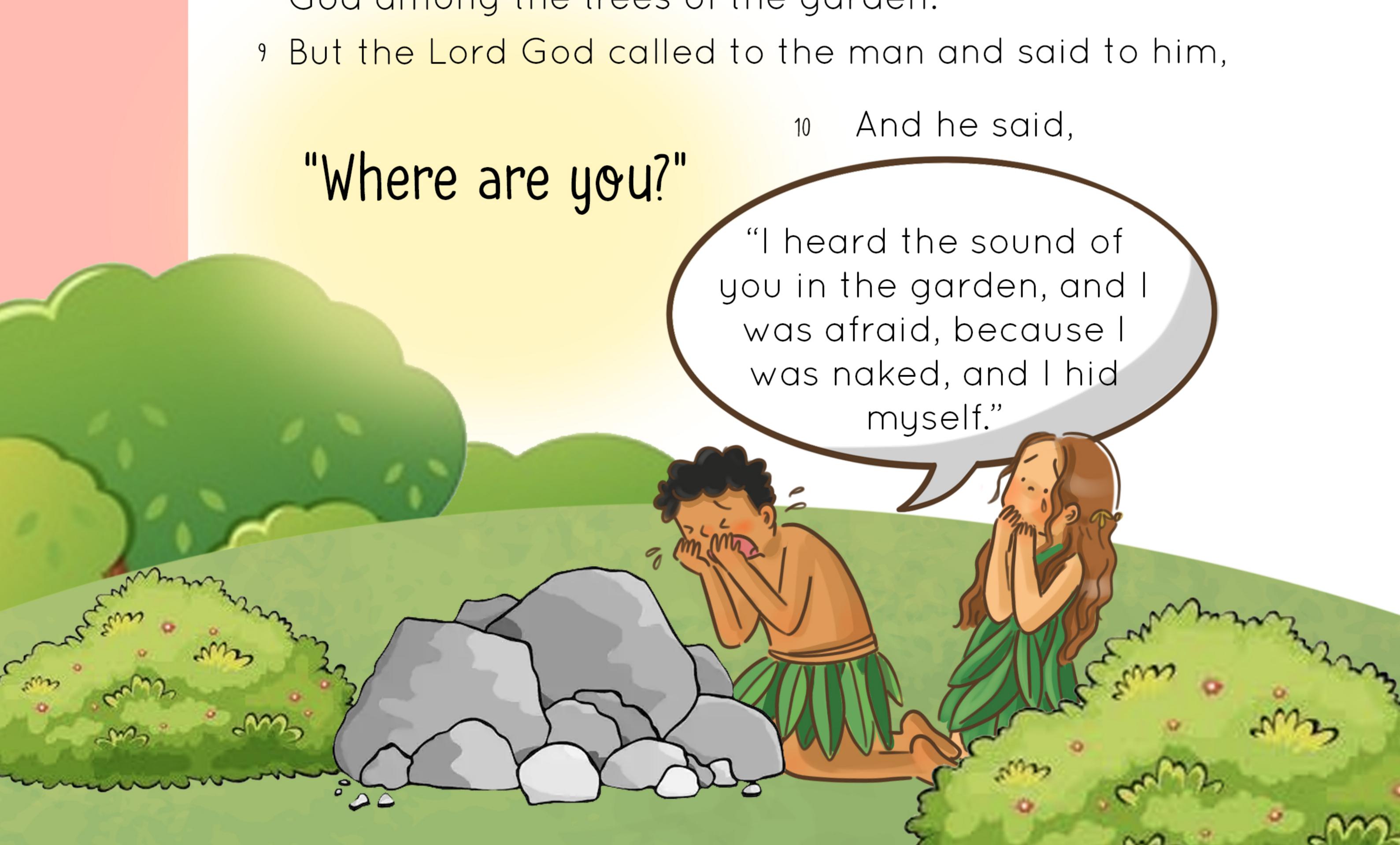
"You will not surely die.

For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."



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

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.







He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?"

12 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."

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 and her offspring;he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

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DID YOU KNOW





Even though Eve was deceived, it was really Adam's failure. Adam was with her and did nothing to defend or help her. This is why they saw their nakedness only after Adam ate, and why death came through Adam, not Eve (Genesis 3:6-7; 1 Corinthians 15:21-22).





Eve was not prepared to face temptation because she didn't fully know God's command. In verse 3 she added to it, "neither shall you touch it," which God never said to Adam. This is why we must carefully study the Word of God (Genesis 2:15-17)!



Genesis 3:15 is the first promise God gave to send our Redeemer. Jesus, the son of man, was the offspring of Eve that would die on the cross, come back to life, and defeat the devil forever, crushing his head (Hebrews 2:14; Romans 16:20).



In verses 12 and 13, Adam and Eve did not take responsibility for their sin. Adam blamed Eve (and sort of blamed God), and Eve blamed the serpent. We all have a sinful nature that wants to blame others, but God offers forgiveness (Proverbs 28:13).



Read Isaiah 1:18 in your Bible and write it below.
Let's turn away from our sins and let Jesus wash
them away!
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Look for the hidden words below:

EVE

GUILTY

PROMISE

ADAM

TEMPTATION

JESUS

GARDEN OF EDEN

SATAN



Decorate:

