



EKids: At home with your family 8th November 2020

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-24 (Good News Translation)

¹⁵ Then the LORD God placed the man in the Garden of Eden to cultivate it and guard it. ¹⁶ He told him, "You may eat the fruit of any tree in the garden, ¹⁷ except the tree that gives knowledge of what is good and what is bad. You must not eat the fruit of that tree; if you do, you will die the same day."

3 Now the snake was the most cunning animal that the LORD God had made. The snake asked the woman, "Did God really tell you not to eat fruit from any tree in the garden?"

² "We may eat the fruit of any tree in the garden," the woman answered, ³ "except the tree in the middle of it. God told us not to eat the fruit of that tree or even touch it; if we do, we will die."

⁴ The snake replied, "That's not true; you will not die. ⁵ God said that because he knows that when you eat it, you will be like God and know what is good and what is bad."

⁶ The woman saw how beautiful the tree was and how good its fruit would be to eat, and she thought how wonderful it would be to become wise. So she took some of the fruit and ate it. Then she gave some to her husband, and he also ate it. ⁷ As soon as they had eaten it, they were given understanding and realized that they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and covered themselves.

⁸ That evening they heard the LORD God walking in the garden, and they hid from him among the trees. ⁹ But the LORD God called out to the man, "Where are you?"

¹⁰ He answered, "I heard you in the garden; I was afraid and hid from you, because I was naked."

¹¹ "Who told you that you were naked?" God asked. "Did you eat the fruit that I told you not to eat?"

¹² The man answered, "The woman you put here with me gave me the fruit, and I ate it."

¹³ The LORD God asked the woman, "Why did you do this?"

She replied, "The snake tricked me into eating it."

¹⁴ Then the LORD God said to the snake, "You will be punished for this; you alone of all the animals must bear this curse: From now on you will crawl on your belly, and you will have to eat dust as long as you live. ¹⁵ I will make you and the woman hate each other; her offspring and yours will always be enemies. Her offspring will crush your head, and you will bite her offspring's heel."

¹⁶ And he said to the woman, "I will increase your trouble in pregnancy and your pain in giving birth. In spite of this, you will still have desire for your husband, yet you will be subject to him."

¹⁷ And he said to the man, "You listened to your wife and ate the fruit which I told you not to eat. Because of what you have done, the ground will be under a curse. You will have to work hard all your life to make it produce enough food for you. ¹⁸ It will produce weeds and thorns, and you will

have to eat wild plants. ¹⁹You will have to work hard and sweat to make the soil produce anything, until you go back to the soil from which you were formed. You were made from soil, and you will become soil again.”

²⁰ Adam[Ⓜ] named his wife Eve,[Ⓜ] because she was the mother of all human beings. ²¹ And the LORD God made clothes out of animal skins for Adam and his wife, and he clothed them.

²² Then the LORD God said, “Now these human beings have become like one of us and have knowledge of what is good and what is bad.[Ⓜ] They must not be allowed to take fruit from the tree that gives life, eat it, and live forever.” ²³ So the LORD God sent them out of the Garden of Eden and made them cultivate the soil from which they had been formed. ²⁴ Then at the east side of the garden he put living creatures[Ⓜ] and a flaming sword which turned in all directions. This was to keep anyone from coming near the tree that gives life.

Intro:

Last week we saw how God created the world and just how perfect everything was. Our passage this week tells us how sin first came into the world and ruined the perfect relationship we could have had with God.

Retelling the story:

Sadly, this perfect life doesn't last long, as we see Satan enter the world as a snake and tempt Eve to disobey God.

The first thing the snake does is make Eve doubt God's judgement.

He tells her that she won't really die if she eats the fruit. She believes Satan's words, that she will be like God if she eats it! Adam also eats the fruit when Eve brings it to him and tells him how good it is.

As soon as Adam and Eve finish eating the fruit, they realise that they have disobeyed God and feel ashamed. They decide to hide from Him when He comes to find them in the garden.

When God asks Adam and Eve about the fruit, they both try to pass the blame because they don't want to admit the fact that they disobeyed God.

God punishes Adam Eve and the snake because they disobeyed him. He sends Adam and Eve out of the garden, they are not close to God anymore.

But God is also kind, he makes clothes for Adam and Eve before he sends them away.

What we learn from this passage:

This is a sad story; it shows us how easy it is for sin to sneak in.

Eve says:

Shove of God

I'm in Charge

No to your Rules

We also see that even when we sin God is still kind. He gave Adam and Eve clothes.

Jesus' death on the cross is the ultimate kindness God has shown us! When we don't do what God wants we can say sorry to him and he will forgive us, and we can still be friends with him

Here's a verse that reminds us of this. Try and learn it as a family over the next couple of weeks if you can.

Romans 3:23-24 [CEV](#)

²³ All of us have sinned and fallen short of God's glory. ²⁴ But God treats us much better than we deserve, and because of Christ Jesus, he freely accepts us and sets us free from our sins.

Prayer:

Encourage the children to pray a silent prayer of confession admitting to a particular sin that they have committed and asking God to forgive them. Remind them that God forgives us when we confess our sins because Jesus has taken the punishment that we deserve.

Activities:

Welcome, if you have joined in with our virtual church services since lockdown it's lovely to have you with us. Up until this point we have been able to put all activities on the website, however there are activities we would like to use that we cannot for copyright reasons put on our website. If you would like to receive these activities, we can send them to you via email at the following address please get in touch at the following address toni.davies@bramcote.church

Instructions for the activity attached to the email:

1. Cut out the snake's body, tongue, three pictures of Adam and Eve and the snake's tail (with the angel on it).
2. Fanfold the snake's body on the dashed lines as marked.
3. Colour the pictures and glue them on the snake in the correct order, starting just behind the head with the pictures in the same direction as the angel.
4. Glue the tongue in place under the lip of the snake.

There are also 2 worksheets attached in the email for children in Boulders and RipRap.

Spot 8 differences between the 2 pictures:



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