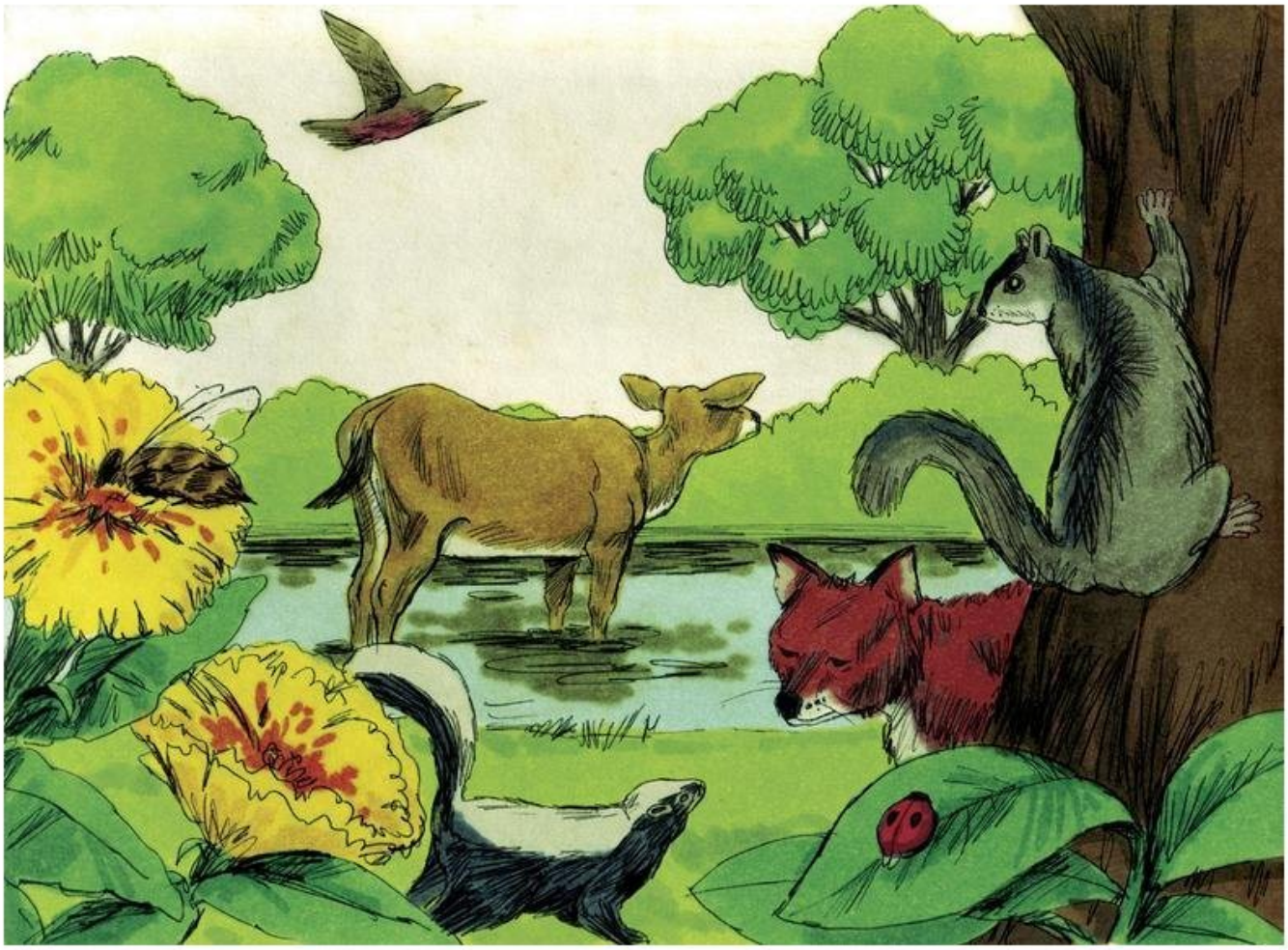
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The Garden and a Choice

Genesis 2:4-3:24



YOUR BIBLE READING

Wrong choices have consequences, and honesty matters.

Inside: two extended reading pages, a thoughtful reflection, creative activities and a grown-up guide.

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A Garden and a Broken Command

Genesis 2:4-3:24



God placed the man in the garden of Eden to work in it and care for it. The garden had trees that were beautiful and good for food. God allowed him to eat their fruit, except fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. The instruction leaves many trees available for food while placing a clear limit around one. Caring for the garden and receiving its food are part of their life.

God made a woman to be the man's companion. Later, a crafty serpent spoke to her. The serpent questioned God's command and claimed that eating the forbidden fruit would make them like God. The woman took some fruit and ate. She gave some to her husband, and he ate too. The fruit is not named as an apple. The important detail is the choice to eat what God had forbidden, a choice made by both the woman and the man.

Then they felt ashamed and made coverings from leaves. When they heard God in the garden, they hid among the trees. God called to the man and asked what had happened. The man blamed the woman, and the woman said the serpent had deceived her. Their hiding does not undo what happened. The questions bring their actions into the open, but each answer points toward someone else rather than taking full responsibility.

God explained the painful consequences of their choice. Life would include struggle, hard work, and death. Yet he made clothing for them. Adam and Eve had to leave Eden, and the way to the tree of life was guarded. Leaving the garden is a real change, not a pretend consequence. Clothing and care remain in the account alongside the loss of their earlier home and way of life.

Remember: I can tell the truth about a wrong choice instead of hiding it.

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Choices, Blame, and Care

Genesis 2:4-3:24



The garden account begins with gifts and a responsibility. There is a place to live, food to receive, work to do, and companionship. The command about the tree belongs within that larger setting. Remembering the gifts helps a reader see what changes when the man and woman reject the instruction. The story is about a broken relationship and its consequences, rather than about a particular kind of fruit. The choice changes what happens next to both people.

Notice the serpent's approach. It questions what God said and then offers a different account of what will happen. The woman listens, sees that the fruit looks desirable, and eats; the man eats too. The passage does not ask us to excuse one person by blaming the other. Each has taken part, and neither can make the act disappear by pointing somewhere else.

When the pair hide, fear and shame enter the story. God asks questions, and the answers reveal what has happened. The man's answer mentions the woman, and the woman's answer mentions the serpent. A reader can recognize how blame moves from one person to another. Telling what someone else did may be part of the truth, but it is not the same as naming our own choice.

The ending holds two difficult things together. Adam and Eve must leave, and life beyond Eden will involve pain, hard labor, and death. God also makes clothing for them. Care does not mean that every consequence vanishes. Nor does a consequence mean that a person's need for care has vanished. The account gives us room to speak about wrongdoing truthfully without treating people as if they no longer matter.

Pause and think: What helps you tell the truth about your own actions without blaming yourself for someone else's actions?

THINK, NOTICE & GROW

Practice an Honest Answer



Imagine that two children knock over a box of classroom supplies while playing with it. One begins by explaining what the other child did. An honest answer could include both parts: what happened around them and what they personally chose. This example is not another scene from Eden. It is a way to practice speaking clearly about a shared mistake.

A safe adult can help you work out the difference between a mistake, an accident, and someone else's harmful action. You do not have to accept blame for harm another person caused you. Taking responsibility means naming what is yours to name. It does not mean carrying every problem in a family, a classroom, or the world on your shoulders.

Think about a time when you wanted to hide a small wrong choice. What made telling the truth difficult? You can discuss an imaginary example if you prefer. An adult might help you find words, repair something, or choose a better next step. Honest conversation can make room for learning while still treating everyone involved with dignity and care.

A SMALL STEP FOR TODAY

Adam and Eve both make a wrong choice, and the story holds real consequences together with continuing care.

What helps you tell the truth about your own actions without blaming yourself for someone else's actions?

Read, Remember & Create

Name: _____ Date: _____

1 Think about the reading

1. What did Adam and Eve do after eating the fruit?

2. How did God care for them even as they faced consequences?

2 Put the ideas in order

Write 1, 2 and 3 for the order these ideas appear in the reading.

- ☐ God clothed them, and they left Eden.
- ☐ The woman and the man ate its fruit.
- ☐ God gave a command about one tree.

3 Draw a meaningful picture

Draw the garden with many fruit trees and a path leading out.

Tell someone how your picture connects to the reading.

Read & Grow Together

Read and learn with context

This English edition is designed for ages 6-10 with an adult. Read both extended readings together, or enjoy one each day. Pause at unfamiliar words, invite questions and use the reflection page to connect the story with everyday life. These are retellings and lessons with explanations; read the listed Bible passage for context. Poetry, parables, letters and symbolic visions are identified by type.

Remember this

I can tell the truth about a wrong choice instead of hiding it.
Original memory thought, not a direct Bible quotation. Related passage: Genesis 3:8-13

A thoughtful conversation

The text does not name the fruit as an apple. Both adults chose to eat; do not place all blame on Eve or use the story to blame children for illness or hardship.

Activity answers

1. They made leaf coverings and hid from God.
2. He made clothing for them.
Sequence boxes, top to bottom: 3, 2, 1. Personal responses and drawings will vary.

Optional prayer

If you wish: God, help me be honest and take responsibility for my choices.

Print and share

Each pack has 6 pages. Print on A4 at Actual Size (100%). The worksheet is page 5. You may print just that page, or use the separate 150-page activity book. The collection contains 150 packs in Bible book order, 15 volumes and one ZIP. Catalog pack IDs stay the same when new readings are added.

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