

GENESIS CHAPTER 3

¹ Now the serpent was the most crafty of all the brutes on the earth, which the Lord God had made. And the serpent said to the woman, "Has God truly said, 'Eat not of every tree of the garden'?" ² And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden, ³ but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God said, 'You shall not eat of it, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.' "

⁴ And the serpent said to the woman, "You shall not surely die! ⁵ For God knew that in whatever day you should eat of it, your eyes would be opened, and you would be as gods, knowing good and evil."

⁶ And the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes to look upon and beautiful to contemplate, and having taken of its fruit she ate, and she gave to her husband also with her, and they ate. ⁷ And the eyes of both of them were opened, and they perceived that they were naked, and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves coverings to go around them.

⁸ And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day; and both Adam and his wife hid themselves from the face of the Lord God in the midst of the trees of the garden.

⁹ And the Lord God called Adam and said to him, "Adam, where are you?"

¹⁰ And he said to Him, "I heard Your voice as You walked in the garden, and I feared because I was naked and I hid myself." ¹¹ And God said to him, "Who told you that you were naked, unless you have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?"

¹² And Adam said, "The woman whom You gave to be with me—she gave me of the tree, and I ate."

¹³ And the Lord God said to the woman, "Why have you done this?" And the woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

¹⁴ And the Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, you are cursed above all cattle and all the brutes of the earth; on your breast and belly you shall go, and you shall eat dust all the days of your life. ¹⁵ And I will put enmity between you and the woman and between your seed and her Seed, He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel."

¹⁶ And to the woman He said, "I will greatly multiply your pains and your groanings; in pain you shall bring forth children, and your submission shall be to your husband, and he shall rule over you."

¹⁷ And to Adam He said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat of it—of that you have eaten, cursed is the ground in your labors, in pain shall you eat of it all the days of your life. ¹⁸ Thorns and thistles shall it bring forth to you, and you shall eat the herb of the field. ¹⁹ In the sweat of your face shall you eat your bread until you return to the ground out of which you were taken, for dust you are, and to dust you shall return."

²⁰ And Adam called the name of his wife Eve, because she was the mother of all living.

²¹ And the Lord God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife, and clothed them.

²² And God said, "Behold, Adam has become like one of Us, knowing good and evil; and now, lest at any time he stretch forth his hand, and take of the tree of life and eat, and so he shall live forever"—²³ so the Lord God sent him forth out of the garden of Eden, to cultivate the ground out of which he was taken.

²⁴ And He cast out Adam and caused him to dwell outside of the garden of Eden, and stationed the cherubim and the fiery sword that turns about to keep the way of the tree of life.