

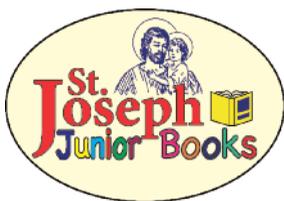
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Adam and Eve

God loved Adam and Eve. He planted a garden for them, the Garden of Eden. He told them that they could eat the fruit from any of the trees that they wanted, except the fruit of the tree that stood in the middle of the garden. That was the Tree of Knowledge of good and evil.

Every evening God would take a walk with them. The garden was a beautiful place, and everything in the garden lived in peace.

But then the devil appeared to Eve, looking like a snake. He told her that she should not obey God. He made her jealous of God, and she listened to his lies. So Eve first took some of the fruit and ate it. Then she gave some to Adam, and he also ate it.

As soon as they ate the fruit, they realized that they had sinned, and they hid from God. They felt very guilty because of what they had done.

God punished Adam and Eve and the snake for the first sin. Adam and Eve would have to leave the garden and wander upon the earth. They lost the peace that they had found in the garden because they had disobeyed God's words to them. But God still loved them and cared for them, even though they did not listen to Him.

Genesis 2—3

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