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life is a garden

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Genesis 1:1-2:3 paints a large-scale picture...

...of God's establishment of cosmic order...

...with His divine images who represent His rule...

...so that the world becomes sacred space for His presence to dwell.

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2:4-17		2:4-17	Characters: Yahweh, the human Setting: From outside the garden to inside the garden.			
•	When the woman saw that <b>the tree</b> was good for food,		2:18-25	Man and Woman Created and Unified  Characters: Yahweh, the human, animals, woman  Setting: Inside the garden		
В	nd that it was a delight to <b>the eyes</b> , nd that the tree was desirable to make one <b>wise</b> ,			3:1-5	Dialogue Between the Snake and the Woman Characters: Snake, woman Setting: Inside the garden	
C'		the eyes of both of them were opened, hey knew that they were naked; hey sewed leaves of a fig tree together			3:6-7	The Woman and Man Eat from the Forbidden Tree Characters: Snake, woman, man Setting: The center of the garden
B' A'	and they knew that they were <i>naked</i> ; and they sewed leaves of a <i>fig tree</i> together and made themselves waist coverings.			3:8-13	Dialogue Between God and the Humans Characters: Yahweh, man, woman Setting: Inside the garden	
			3:14-21	Consequences for the Snake, Man and Woman Divided  Characters: Yahweh, the man, woman, snake  Setting: Inside the garden		
3:22-24 life is a garden		Humanity is Banished from the Garden Characters: Yahweh (active), the human (passive) Setting: Inside the garden, moves to the land outside the garden				

Humanity is Created and Placed in the Garden

1 Now the serpent was more cunning than any animal of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, "Has God really said, 'You shall not eat from any tree of the garden'?" 2 The woman said to the serpent, "From the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat; 3 but from the fruit of the tree which is in the middle of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat from it or touch it, or you will die." 4 The serpent said to the woman, "You certainly will not die! 5 For God knows that on the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will become like God, knowing good and evil." 6 When the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was desirable to make one wise, she took some of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband with her, and he ate. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves waist coverings.

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THE DIALOGUE

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Don't let the enemy have the last word.

- 1 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. 2 And after He had fasted for forty days and forty nights, He then became hungry. 3 And the tempter came and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, command that
- these stones become bread." 4 But He answered and said, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes out of the mouth of God."
- 5 Then the devil took Him along into the holy city and had Him stand on the pinnacle of the temple, 6 and he said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down; for it is written: 'He will give His angels orders concerning You'; and 'On their hands they will lift You up, So that You do not strike Your foot against a stone."

7 Jesus said to him, "On the other hand, it is written:

'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test."

8 Again, the devil took Him along to a very high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory; 9 and he said to Him, "All these things I will give You, if You fall down and worship me." 10 Then Jesus said to him, "Go away, Satan! For it is written: 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and serve Him only." 11 Then the devil left Him; and behold, angels came and began to serve Him.

### Matthew 4

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THE ACT

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THE ACT

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1 Now it came about, when mankind began to multiply on the face of the land, and daughters were born to them, 2 that the sons of God saw that the daughters of mankind were beautiful; and they took wives for themselves, whomever they chose.



14 Now it came about, when Abram entered Egypt, that the Egyptians saw that the woman was very beautiful. 15 Pharaoh's officials saw her and praised her to Pharaoh; and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house.



1 Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had not borne him a child, but she had an Egyptian slave woman whose name was Hagar. 2 So Sarai said to Abram, "See now, the Lord has prevented me from bearing children. Please have relations with my slave woman; perhaps I will obtain children through her." And Abram listened to the voice of Sarai. 3 And so after Abram had lived ten years in the land of Canaan, Abram's wife Sarai took Hagar the Egyptian, her slave woman, and gave her to her husband Abram as his wife...6 But Abram said to Sarai, "Look, your slave woman is in your power(hand); do to her what is good in your sight(eyes)."



20 So Achan answered Joshua and said, "Truly, I have sinned against the Lord, the God of Israel, and this is what I did: 21 when I saw among the spoils a beautiful robe from Shinar, two hundred shekels of silver, and a bar of gold fifty shekels in weight, then I wanted them and took them; and behold, they are hidden in the ground inside my tent, with the silver underneath."



1 Then it happened in the spring, at the time when kings go out to battle, that David sent Joab and his servants with him and all Israel, and they brought destruction on the sons of Ammon and besieged Rabbah. But David stayed in Jerusalem.

2 Now at evening time David got up from his bed and walked around on the roof of the king's house, and from the roof he saw a woman bathing; and the woman was very beautiful in appearance. 3 So David sent servants and inquired about the woman. And someone said, "Is this not Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?" 4Then David sent messengers and had her brought, and when she came to him, he slept with her...



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THE ACT

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We face the same choice every day:

Do what is good in our eyes.

OR

Submit to the wisdom and instruction of God.

7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves waist coverings.



## THE OUTCOME: NAKED AND ASHAMED



We now have access to a new tree of life:

Jesus.