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## **GARDEN OF EDEN**

### **Story #3**

### **REVIEW**

#### 1. Name the six Characteristics of God

- \* **GOD IS HOLY**  
He is perfect, just, good. He is straight. He is righteous.  
He does not have any sin.
  
- \* **GOD IS ALL POWERFUL**  
He can do anything He wants to do.
  
- \* **GOD IS ALL KNOWING**  
He is the source of all knowledge  
He knows how to make everything  
He know every thought, word, and every action of all people
  
- \* **GOD IS THE SOURCE OF GRACE (MERCY)**  
He is the source of everything that is good, love, mercy,  
pity, goodness, kindness, caring
  
- \* **GOD HATES SIN**  
He has not sin  
He will judge all who sin  
He will punish all who sin
  
- \* **GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES**  
Whatever He has promises He will do, even if a long time passes

#### 2. Explain each Characteristic of God

#### 3. Who created the things we see? (God created everything)

4. How did God create everything?  
(By speaking)
5. Where did the first people come from?  
(God created them)
6. Was Adam sinful when God created him?  
(No. Adam was righteous)
7. Did Adam have oneness with God?  
(Yes)
8. Review the Characteristics of God seen in the story of creation
9. Review the “QUESTIONS” from the previous lesson.

**Scripture: Genesis 2:8-25**  
**Genesis 3:1-13**

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## **GARDEN OF EDEN**

### **Story #3**

God (*Elohim*\*) placed Adam (*Adam*\*) and Eve (*Hawwah*\*) in a beautiful place called Eden. In the Garden of Eden there were all kinds of fruit trees. God said they could eat the fruit of the trees. There was plenty of food. There were no thorns, or weeds, no storms, or rain. There was dew that watered the ground. There was no sickness or death.

God told Adam and Eve to rule over the things He had created. Adam and Eve were naked but there were not ashamed. They were in oneness with God and His glory covered them. God talked to them and told them many things. God told them to multiply and have children so there would be many people in the world.

Adam and Eve were in oneness with God. God also told Adam and Eve about two trees that were in the center of the garden. One was the Tree of Life and the other was the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. God warned them that if they ate the fruit from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil that their oneness with God would cease and they would die.

One day an evil spirit went into a snake so that it could deceive Eve. The serpent said to Eve, “You will not die if you eat the forbidden fruit. God doesn’t want you to eat it because He knows when you eat it you will become like Him in that you will know the difference between good and evil.” So, Eve took some fruit, ate it, and then she gave some to Adam and he ate it also.

After eating the forbidden fruit, Adam and Eve knew at once that they were naked and so they made themselves clothes out of leaves. God knew Adam and Eve had sinned because God knows all things.

Later, they heard God walking in the garden and they were afraid and hid. Then God called, “Adam, where are you?” Adam answered God, “I heard You and I was afraid and hid because I was naked.”

Then God asked them, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten the forbidden fruit?” Adam said, “Eve gave it to me to eat, and I ate,” and Eve said, “The snake deceived me, and I ate.”

Adam and Eve sinned against God because they rebelled against His command. They chose to disobey God’s Word.

*\* Transliteration of the name from the original Scripture which was written in Hebrew.*

## **GARDEN OF EDEN**

### **Characteristics of God**

Which characteristics of God are made know in this story?  
How is that characteristic of God made known in this story?

1. **GOD IS ALL KNOWING**  
God knew Adam had sinned  
God knew where Adam was hiding  
God knew that Adam and Eve had eaten of the fruit of the tree  
God knew where Adam was hiding even before God said:  
    “Where are you, Adam?”
  
2. **GOD IS THE SOURCE OF GRACE**  
God planted a garden for Adam and Eve  
God let Adam rule over God’s creation  
God and Adam were in oneness

## **GARDEN OF EDEN**

### **Questions**

1. God warned Adam and Eve that if they ate of the fruit of the tree they would die. Why did God warn them?  
(Because God loved them and wanted them to be in oneness with them)
2. What was the sin of Adam and Eve?  
(They did not obey God's Word)
3. Why were Adam and Eve afraid of God after they sinned?  
(Because they knew they had disobeyed God's command and would be punished)
4. What did Adam & Eve do when God called to them after they had sinned? (They hid)
5. Do you think God could have found Adam and Eve when they were hiding from Him?  
(Of course. God sees where we are all the time. He sees everything we do. God knew what Adam and Eve did just as He knows what we do in the forest or in the darkness)
6. What were the results of Adam and Eve's sin?  
(Man was no longer in oneness with God. Man's body would become old and die)
7. When we sin should we fear God?  
(Yes. God judges sin)
8. Who was the serpent? What was the serpent doing?  
Who do you know who opposes God and the things of God?

**pearl** ~ *In the Garden of Eden, Adam and Eve were in perfect unity, perfect harmony, perfect relationship with God. They were IN ONENESS with God...until they sinned.*

## Picture Description

### **3. "Garden of Eden"**

Adam & Eve in the Garden of Eden by the Tree of Life

Adam & Eve were both naked and were not ashamed

Adam & Eve were in oneness with God

### **Drama~ Hints & Suggestions**

Watching the video drama is experiencing the story  
...so it's not necessary to actually do the drama.

But, if you want to try the drama - Go for it!

The drama can be done right in the classroom and it's great.

Remember, because it's a narrative... everyone can participate...whoever is there.

There's no need for rehearsals or pre-memorized scripts. That's the wonderful part. It's not a performance, it's an experience.

It's introduced and acted out the same day.

Everyone enjoys, there's no pressure, and the children are learning.

You don't even have to have props...but it certainly makes it a lot of fun.

Costumes are the easiest (use men's bath robes and homemade garments).

Headress can easily be made from a yard of thin knit fabric (no sewing).

~~~Remember, making props is part of experiencing the story~~~

Your class can make the props or you can have  
the whole congregation participate.

### **#3. Garden of Eden**

#### Props

\*Artificial trees & plants

\*Adam - wore khaki shorts to give the appearance of nakedness, but he was covered with the glory of the LORD so there was no shame...until sin.

\*Eve - wore a khaki colored dance leotard to give the appearance of nakedness, but she was covered with the glory of the LORD so there was no shame...until sin.

#### Other Ways to Experience the Story

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There were many different types of fruit in the Garden of Eden. Examine the pomegranate, a fruit which has 613 red seeds (show one pomegranate whole and one already with many of the seeds out). Although the Bible doesn't specify what the fruit was, many speculate it could have been a pomegranate. Interesting, uh?