



## **GARDEN OF EDEN**

### **Genesis 3**

The Lord went walking in the Garden of Eden in the cool part of the day. He called to Adam and Eve. "Where are you?" he asked. Adam replied from among the trees, "I heard you coming and so I hid because I am naked."

"Who told you that?" God asked him. "Did you eat from the tree I told you to stay away from?" Adam tried to think of an excuse. "The woman that you made gave me some of the fruit."

Eve said, "The serpent lied to me, and so I ate it."

God said, "Serpent, because you have deceived the man and the woman, you will be cursed. You will crawl on your belly and eat the dust. Someday, a child born into this woman's family will destroy you.

"Eve, bearing children will be difficult and painful for you, because you disobeyed me," God said.

"You, Adam, because of your sin, will have to work hard to grow the food you need to live. And when you die, your body will become part of the earth. I made you out of dust, and to dust you will return."

God made clothes out of animal skin for Adam and Eve and sent them out of the garden, so that they would have to work hard to grow their food. He put an angel with a flaming sword at the gate of the garden so that Adam and Eve could not get back in. They could not eat from the tree of life, and they could no longer live in their beautiful home.