

God Speaks to Me!

Through Creation

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Do you like rules? Sometimes we don't like rules. But rules can be good. God gives us rules because He knows the best way to live. God wants us to enjoy the life He gave us. Rules help us to enjoy life.

God created the world in six days. He made a man named Adam and He made a woman named Eve. God gave Adam and Eve a beautiful garden home. He gave them His friendship. He came to the garden to talk with them.

**Read about
it in Genesis
3:1-23!**

Tree of Knowledge

God gave Adam and Eve only **ONE** rule to obey. Could they obey His one rule?

God said to Adam, "...You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."



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It was a very simple rule! Adam and Eve could eat fruit from all the trees except that one tree. God told them they would die if they ate of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Satan's Lie!

But—one day Satan came to Eve disguised as a serpent. A serpent is like a snake.

The serpent said, "...Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?'" The serpent was trying to trick Eve!

Eve said, "...We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden...'"

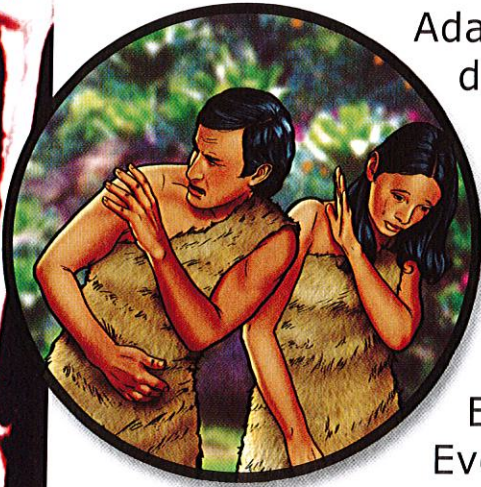
The serpent kept talking to Eve. He tricked her with a lie. Eve took the fruit and ate it! She disobeyed God's rule!

Adam was with Eve and he ate the fruit too! Adam disobeyed God's rule! Disobeying God's rules is called "sin." Sin is anything you think, say or do that breaks God's rules.



*Hi! My name is Bookworm. I am here to help you learn new words. Our word today is **holy**. God is holy. He is perfect and never does, says or thinks anything that is wrong. Because God is holy, He must punish sin.*

Adam and Eve Sinned

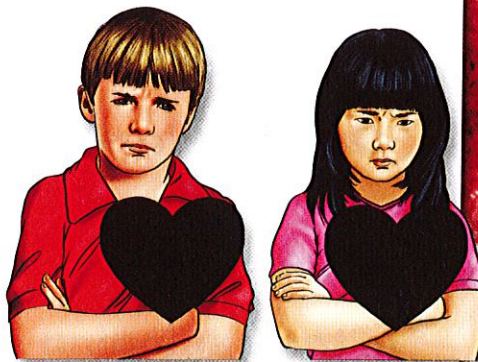


Adam and Eve felt sad that they disobeyed God. So they hid. God said, "...Where are you?" Adam said, "...I was afraid...and I hid myself." God asked Adam and Eve what they had done. God already knew where they were and what they had done. Would Adam and Eve tell the truth? Adam blamed Eve. Eve blamed the serpent.

God is **holy**. God had to punish Adam and Eve. This punishment was death. Adam and Eve could have lived forever in the beautiful garden with a close friendship with God. But now their friendship with God was broken. They had to leave the garden and someday their bodies would die.

Now sin was part of the world. Because of sin, people no longer have a friendship with God. Also bad things happen, sickness came into the world and people die.

This all happened because Adam and Eve disobeyed God. Every person since then has been born with a "want to" to sin. Sin must be punished.



But God still loved Adam and Eve! God still wanted to be their friend. God promised to help them. God promised that one day He would send a Savior who could take away sin!

(Verses quoted are from Genesis 3:1-23.)

Jesus Is Our Savior!

Do you know who the Savior is? Jesus is the Savior!

God sent His own Son, the Lord Jesus, to be your Savior from sin. Jesus is the only way for you to have your sin forgiven. Jesus lived a perfect life. He took the punishment for all your sins. He bled and died on the cross for you. He came alive again on the third day. Jesus can forgive your sins. You can be a friend of God!

Are you sorry for the wrong things you have done? Do you agree with God that you have sinned? Do you want to go God's way instead? God's way is believing (trusting completely) in Jesus. The Bible says, "...Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved..." (Acts 16:31). To believe in Jesus means you trust completely that Jesus died to forgive your sins and that He came back to life on the third day. When you believe, God will save (rescue) you from the punishment you deserve.

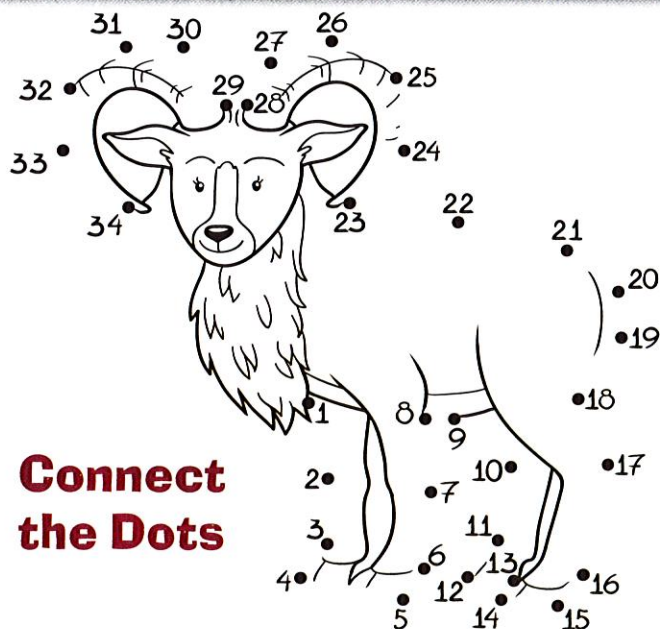
Do you believe in Jesus to save you today? If you know Jesus as your Savior, you can thank God for taking away your sins! 2 Corinthians 9:15 says, "Thanks be to God for his inexpressible [great] gift!" **Will you thank Jesus today for taking away your sins?**

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Our Memory Verse:

Genesis 1:1

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth."



Let Creation Speak!

Zigzagging Feet

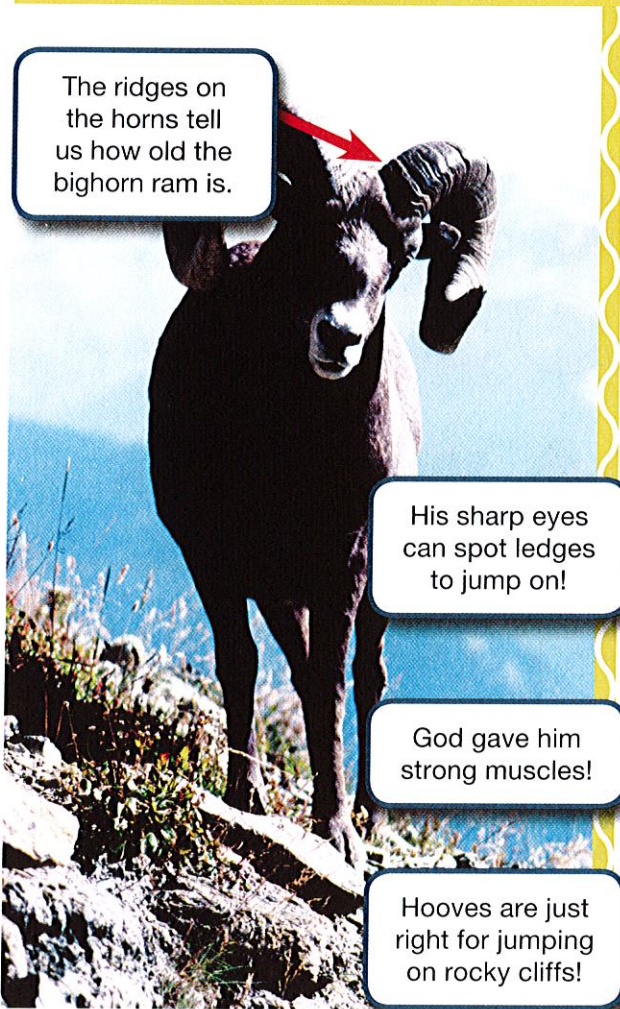


God created the bighorns to jump up, down and around steep, rocky cliffs. Their eyes find narrow ledges to use. These ledges may be so short and narrow they can't be seen from below! But bighorns jump, zigzagging from ledge to ledge. They use each ledge like a step on a ladder.

God gave the bighorn amazing horns. Bighorns don't shed horns each year like deer and elk. In the summertime bighorn sheep stay in groups. Each group has a leader called the Bellwether. God tells the Bellwether where to find safe spots, good food, fresh water and jump-offs. She keeps the herd safe from danger. She is a safe leader. ***We have a safe leader to follow too. His name is Jesus!***

—Adapted by Ashley Alden from "Zigzagging Feet" by Mary Brite in Evangelizing Today's Child® magazine, March/April 2000.

The ridges on the horns tell us how old the bighorn ram is.



His sharp eyes can spot ledges to jump on!

God gave him strong muscles!

Hooves are just right for jumping on rocky cliffs!

Color the Bighorn Sheep



Crack the Code!

Print the beginning letter of each fruit in the blank to read how God helped Adam and Eve and you!

“He sent His

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the sins _____f



the _____r_____d.”



Apple



Lemon



Orange



Watermelon

Our Memory Verse:

Genesis _____ : _____

“In the beginning, _____ created



_____ Heavens _____ the Earth.”

Let's Review!



Circle the correct answer:

- 1. Adam and Eve could eat from any tree *except*...**
the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.
the pear tree.
- 2. God said, "for in the day that you eat of it you shall..."**
live longer. surely die.
- 3. The serpent was trying to trick...**
God Adam Eve
- 4. Did Adam and Eve obey God's rule?**
Yes No
- 5. What is sin?**
Disobeying God's rules.
Obeying God's rules.

 **WRITE IT, SING IT, DRAW IT!** 

This is your spot! Tell us something about yourself by writing a song or a poem. Or show what you like by drawing a work of art. Express yourself!

Did you learn your memory verse?

Have you ever believed in Jesus as your Savior? *(Circle one)*

Yes (When? _____) No

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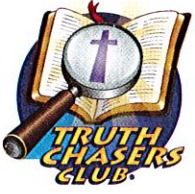
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