

The Woman You Gave Me

Genesis 3:1-12

1 Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, "Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden'?"

Whether it was a serpent or not is not important: It was a creature that knew the (boundaries) instruction that was given by God to Adam & Eve. How he spoke not up to debate because his ability to speak to our minds is evident today. The serpent was to represent a skilled predator as your adversary.

1a. And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; ³ but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.'"

2 -3 - The strictest of warnings: death- the absence of life the antithesis of God unable to experience the God consciousness and spirit filled life God intended.

⁴ Then the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die.

⁵ For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

Partly true due to the physical will not- This the same thought that came to his mind that he now tempts Eve- You can be God!

⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave 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 coverings.

The lust of the eyes, lust of the flesh and the pride of life.

James 1:15

¹⁵ Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

⁸ And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

8a -The sound of the Lord walking in the Garden?

Guilt = deception concealing motives and actions.

⁹ Then the LORD God called to Adam and said to him, "Where are you?"

God and Adam knew when he heard the sound he was to meet the King in the Garden. The omniscient God attempts to redeem fallen man by asking a question he knew the answer to.

¹⁰ So he said, "I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself."

An emotion never intended for his son and he was the reason for his fear. God is hurt and grieved over the response to the first created being in his image.

¹¹ And He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you that you should not eat?"

11a. Still attempting to redeem.. No answer I commanded you! (example: The principles call)

¹² Then the man said, "The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate."

When there is no repentance there is always an excuse - You gave me her - she gave me the apple - excuses are not redemptive