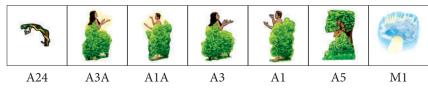
Story 1. Man Rebels in the Garden Genesis 3:1-13

Backgrounds/Overlays (For scene one/in order used)





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This story is the most pivotal story in all of God's Word. The events of this story affect both the heavenly and earthly realms. As the story begins, life on earth is perfect. In just six short days, God had created the heavens and the earth. As one of His last creative acts, God formed a man in His own image from the dust of the ground and put him in charge of a beautiful garden, known as the Garden of Eden.

The Scriptures tell us that God caused every tree that was beautiful to look at and every tree that was good for food to grow up out of the ground. A gentle river flowed through the garden and a mist came up from the ground to water everything. God brought the man into the garden to take care of it. When God brought Adam into the garden that first day, God gave him a stern warning. Adam could eat whatever fruit he wanted from the trees in the garden. But God told him not to eat from one of two special trees He had placed in the center of the garden, the tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. God warned Adam that eating the fruit from that tree would result in certain death.

Later that same day, God put Adam into a deep sleep, took out one of his ribs and closed up the place with flesh. From the rib, God formed a woman. When Adam woke up, God brought the woman to Adam as his companion. God provided everything for Adam and his wife. However, the greatest gift seems to have happened at the close of each day, when God would enter the garden and spend time with the couple.

Life in the garden was perfect. However, unknown to Adam and his wife, rebellion in the angelic realm was about to invade their perfect world. Lucifer, one the most powerful, intelligent and beautiful angels that God created, led a rebellion in the heavenly realm. As a result, God drove Lucifer (who we now know as Satan) and his followers out of heaven. Satan's hatred for God now became focused on the man and the woman—the only beings on earth created in God's image.

Although the Scriptures do not indicate the length of time that Adam and his wife lived in the Garden of Eden before the events in this story, it does not appear to be a long time. However, their lives and more importantly their relationship with their Creator will not be the same after this day. The importance of this story cannot be overstated. This story lays the foundation for what we understand about God, Satan, mankind, evil, sin, fear, shame, redemption, grace, mercy, and every other truth we hold precious. Here is what happened.

Now the serpent was more cunning than any animal of the field that the LORD God had made. And the serpent said to the woman, "Ah? Has God said, 'You shall not eat from every tree in the garden?"

The woman answered back to the serpent, "We are allowed to eat fruit from the trees in the garden. But from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, God has said, "You must not eat that fruit, and you shouldn't even touch it or you will die."

The serpent said to the woman, "You will not for sure die! Because God knows that in the day that you eat from that tree, then your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods—you will know good and evil."

And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to look at, and it was a desirable tree that would make a person wise—she took the fruit from the tree and she ate it and she also gave the fruit to her husband who was with her—and he ate it. (Remove) (Replace with)

And they both had their eyes opened and they realized they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves. (Remove)

And they heard the voice of the LORD God as He was walking in the garden in the cool time of the day.

And Adam and his wife hid themselves from the LORD God's presence among the trees of the garden.

And the LORD God called to Adam and said to him, 'Where are you?" (Remove) (Replace with Adam answered, "I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked—and I hid myself."

The LORD God asked, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?"

The man said, "The woman who you gave to be with me—she gave me the fruit from that tree— and I did eat it."

And the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" And the woman said, "The serpent cunningly deceived me, and I did eat it."