

GENESIS

Chapter 3:1-7

^{2:25} The man and his wife were both without clothes and were not ashamed.

^{3:1} The serpent was the shrewdest of all the wild animals the Lord God had made. One day he asked the woman, "Did God really say you must not eat the fruit from any of the trees in the garden?"

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² "Of course we may eat fruit from the trees in the garden," the woman replied. ³ "It's only the fruit from the tree in the middle of the garden that we are not allowed to eat. God said, 'You must not eat it or even touch it; if you do, you will die." ⁴ "You won't die!" the serpent replied to the woman.

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⁵ "God knows that your eyes will be opened as soon as you eat it, and you will be like God, knowing both good and evil." ⁶ The woman was convinced. She saw that the tree was beautiful and its fruit looked delicious, and she wanted the wisdom it would give her. So she took some of the fruit and ate it. Then she gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it, too.

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⁷ At that moment their eyes were opened, and they suddenly felt shame at their nakedness. So they sewed fig leaves together to cover themselves.

Revelation 12

⁹ This great dragon—the ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, the one deceiving the whole world—was thrown down to the earth with all his angels.



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Proverbs 22:3 A prudent person foresees danger and takes precautions. The simpleton goes blindly on and suffers the consequences.

ARUM: careful, observant, strategic, prudent

A neutral word depending on how it is used

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Matt 10

¹⁶ "Look, I am sending you out as sheep among wolves. So be as shrewd as snakes and harmless as doves."

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The snake gains control when Eve engages to correct him!

Following our own self-will leads us to less than God intended

