

Lesson Introduction

The Garden of Eden was a beautiful place God made for Adam and Eve to live in. God put everything in the garden that they needed for a good life.

God is like a good shepherd who takes care of his sheep and leads them to good places. We should be like sheep and follow after God. If we do, God will provide what we need like he did for Adam and Eve in the garden.

Discussion Questions

Day 1: How did God create Adam? Why did God create Adam? What did God do for Adam when he created him?

Day 2: What was the garden where Adam lived like?



Day 3: What did God do with Adam in the garden? What was Adam to do to be able stay in the garden? What did Adam do to the animals?

Day 4: Who did God make to be Adam's wife? What would cause Adam and Eve to be happy? What was good about Adam and Eve becoming a family?

Day 5: What was the one thing God told Adam and Eve not to do? Why were they not to do that?

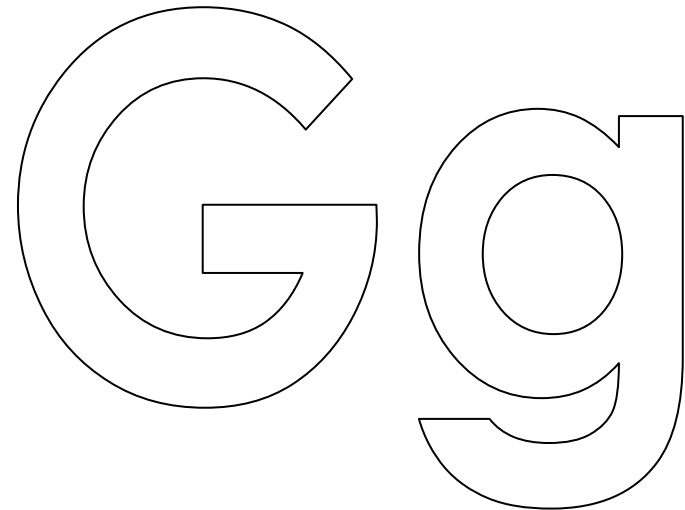
Day 6: What were Adam and Eve free to do in the garden? What would happen if they obeyed God?

Lesson Rhyme

G—G	Make sign of "G"	
Garden	L hand palm down, R hand horizontal circle over left	
A perfect	Touch index fingers together in "G" sign & move hands in horizontal circle in front	
place to live	Make "L" with both hands & move up chest	
G—G—Garden	Same as above	
All things God	Arms up in air	
did give	Extend hands palms up out front	

In the Beginning—22

What was the Garden of Eden like?



G—G—Garden

A perfect place to live

G—G—Garden

All things God did give

Day 1

When God created earth
he made a place for man to live.
All the things man needed
God to him did gladly give.
Adam was created
from material that's in dust,
To reflect God's image
and in God put his trust.

Draw a picture of Adam.

Day 6

From every other tree
they were free to eat.
And really all that fruit
in the garden was a treat.
And if God they did obey,
they would prosper and increase,
Eating from the tree of life
and live with God in perfect peace.

Draw a picture of Adam and Eve in the garden.

Genesis 2:8: ⁸ Now the LORD God had planted a garden in the east, in Eden; and there he put the man he had formed.

Genesis 2:16: And the LORD God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden;

Day 5

There was only one thing,
 God told them not to do.
Fruit from the tree of good and evil,
 they couldn't pick and chew.
God is the source of knowledge
 of what is wrong and what is right.
So of the fruit from that tree
 they were not to take a bite.

Draw a picture of the tree of good and evil.

Genesis 2:17: ¹⁷ but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will surely die."

Day 2

The garden where man lived
 was a perfect place of peace.
Man was to live forever,
 meaning life would never cease.
Everything was pleasing
 and the food was good to eat.
As a place to live in,
 it could not be beat.

Draw a picture of Adam in the garden.

Genesis 2:9: ⁹ And the LORD God made all kinds of trees grow out of the ground—trees that were pleasing to the eye and good for food. In the middle of the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Day 3

God was there with Adam;
he talked to him each day.
To stay within that garden,
Adam was to love God and obey.
To each animal in the garden,
Adam gave a name.
At that time wild animals,
really were quite tame.

Draw a picture of Adam naming the animals.

Day 4

Out of Adam God made Eve
to be Adam's loving wife.
God said that if they did what's right,
they'd have a happy life.
They were to love each other
and in marriage they'd be one.
And together form a family
from which all other families come.

Draw a picture of Adam and Eve.

Genesis 2:15: ¹⁵ The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.

Genesis 2:18: ¹⁸ The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him."