'The Fall'
Gen 1-11, Part 10

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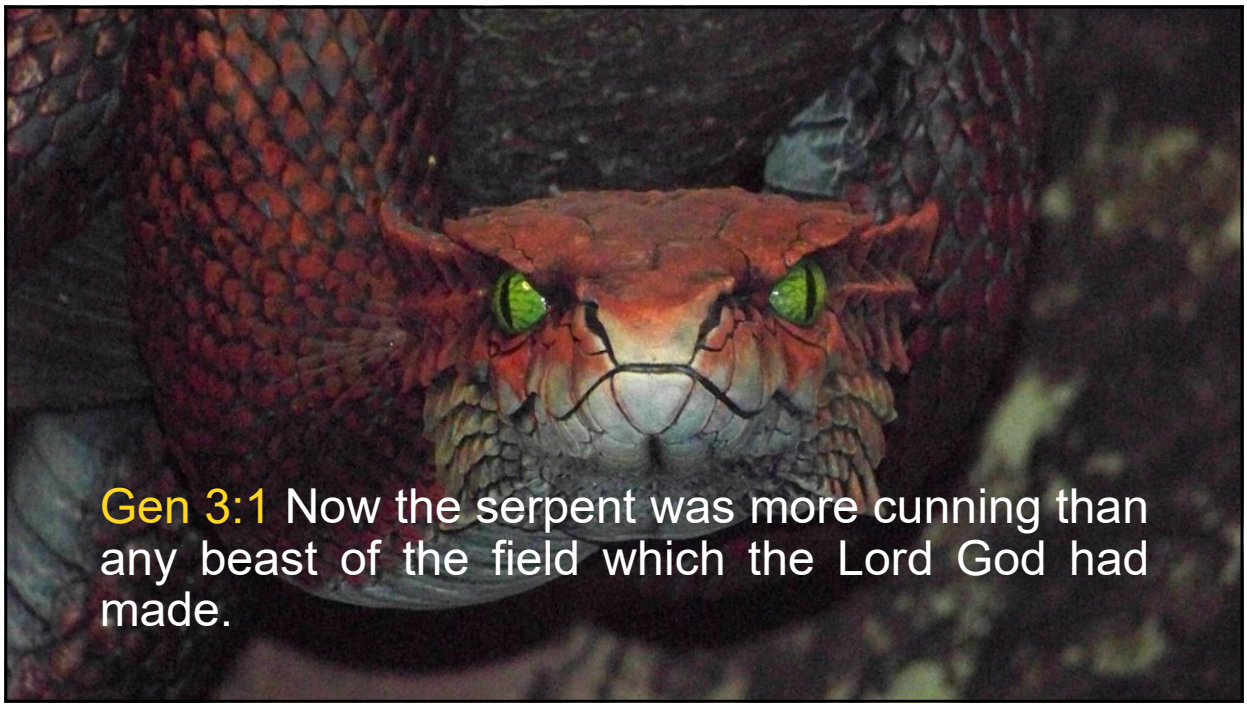
Gen 3:1 Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made.

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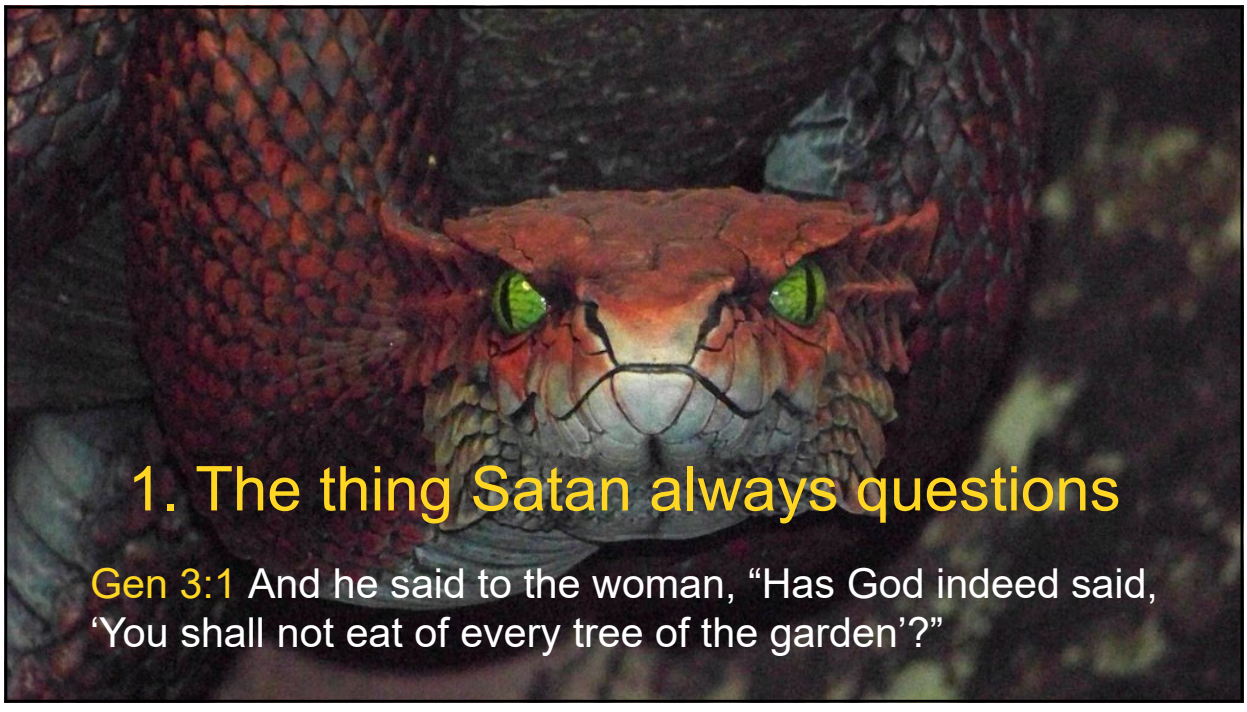
1. The thing Satan always questions
Gen 3:1 And he said to the woman, "Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden'?"

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Deut 8:3 … man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every word that proceeds from the mouth of the Lord. (Mt 4:4)

Is 55:11 So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

2 Tim 3:16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness,

Heb 4:12 For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

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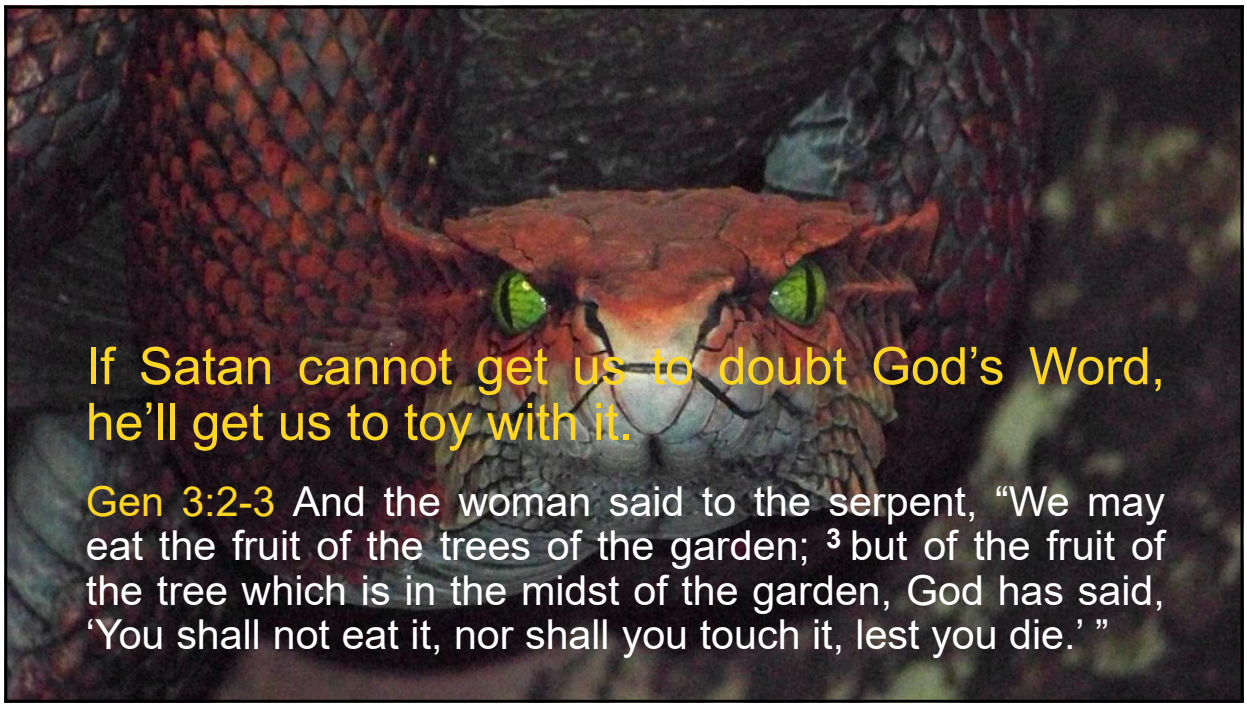

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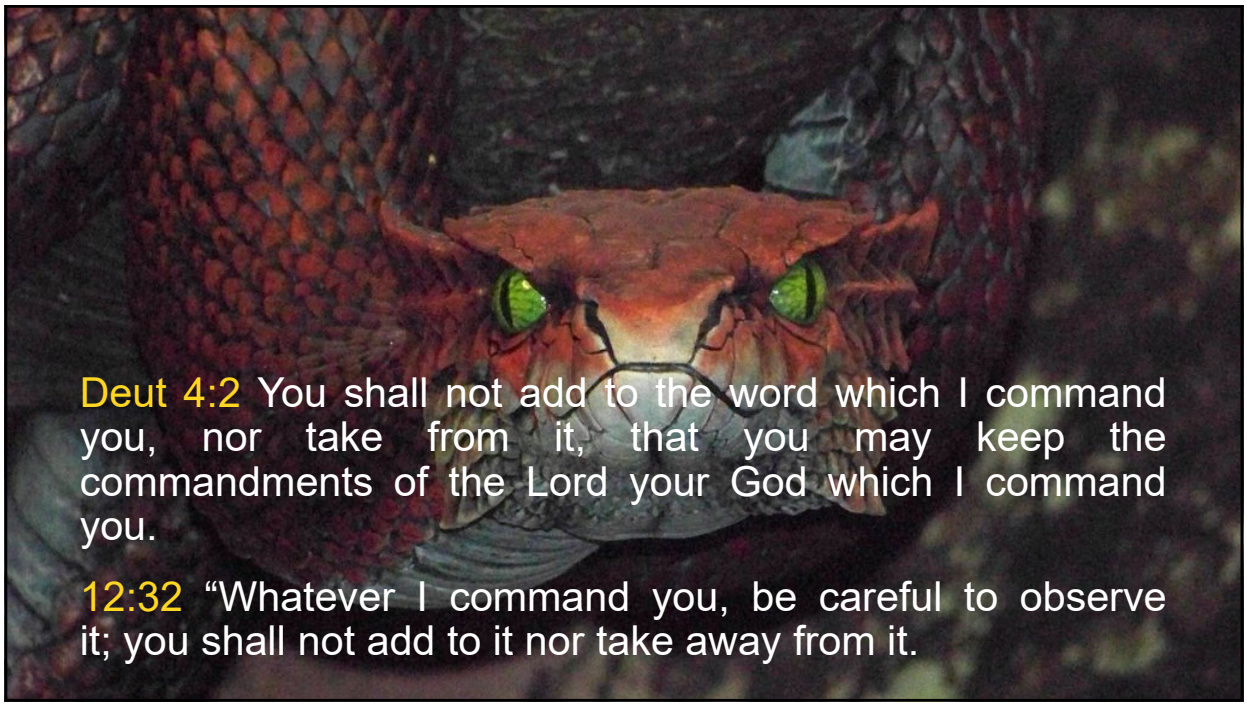
Deut 4:2 You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the Lord your God which I command you.
12:32 "Whatever I command you, be careful to observe it; you shall not add to it nor take away from it.

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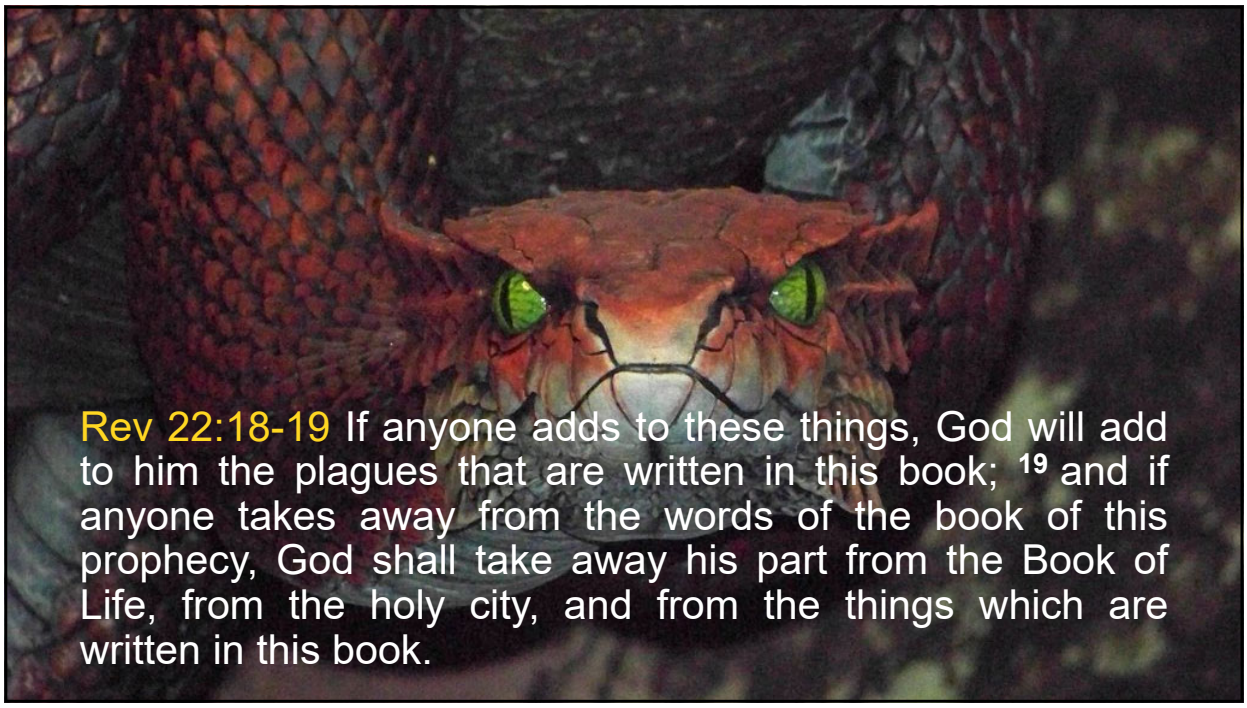
Rev 22:18-19 If anyone adds to these things, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book; 19 and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the Book of Life, from the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

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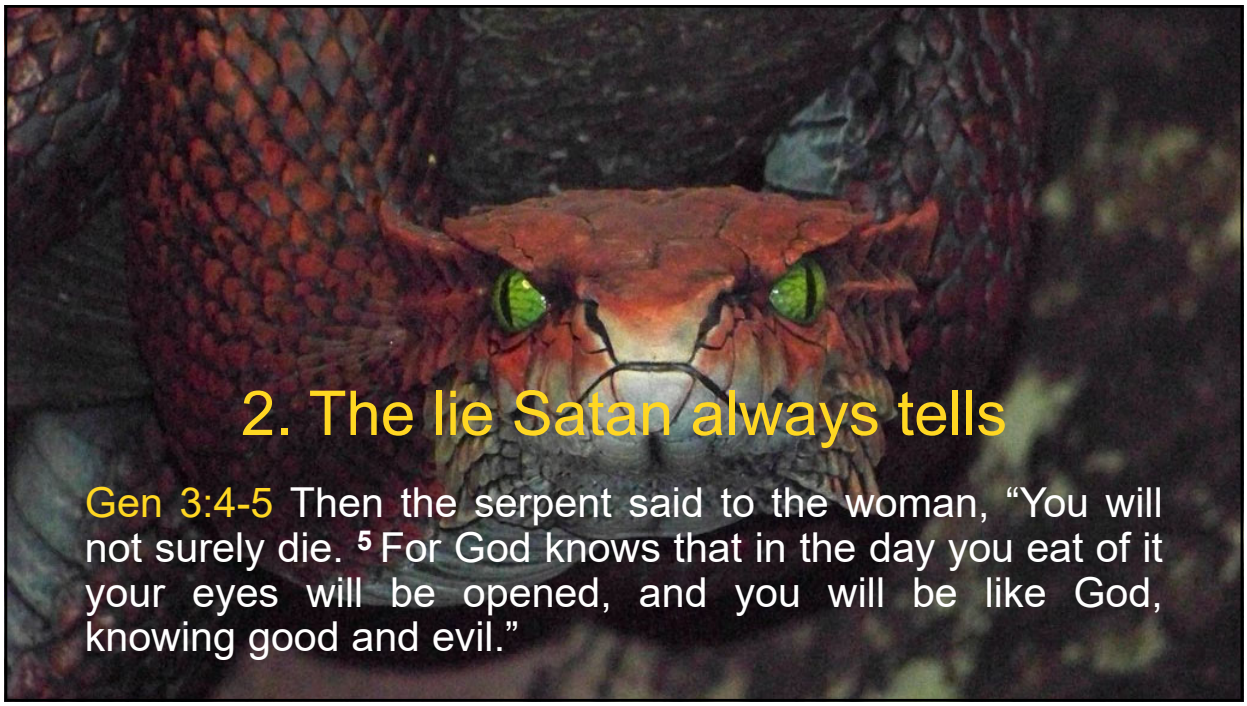
2. The lie Satan always tells
Gen 3:4-5 Then the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. 5 For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

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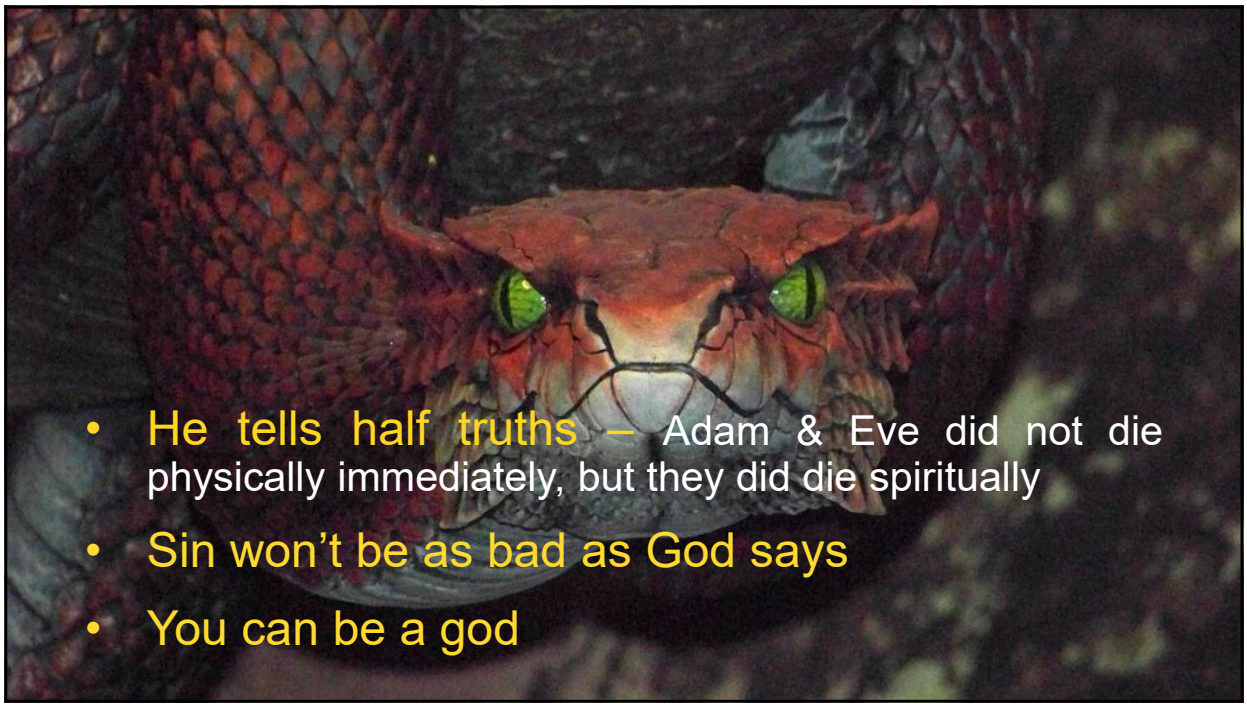
• He tells half truths – Adam & Eve did not die physically immediately, but they did die spiritually
• Sin won't be as bad as God says
• You can be a god

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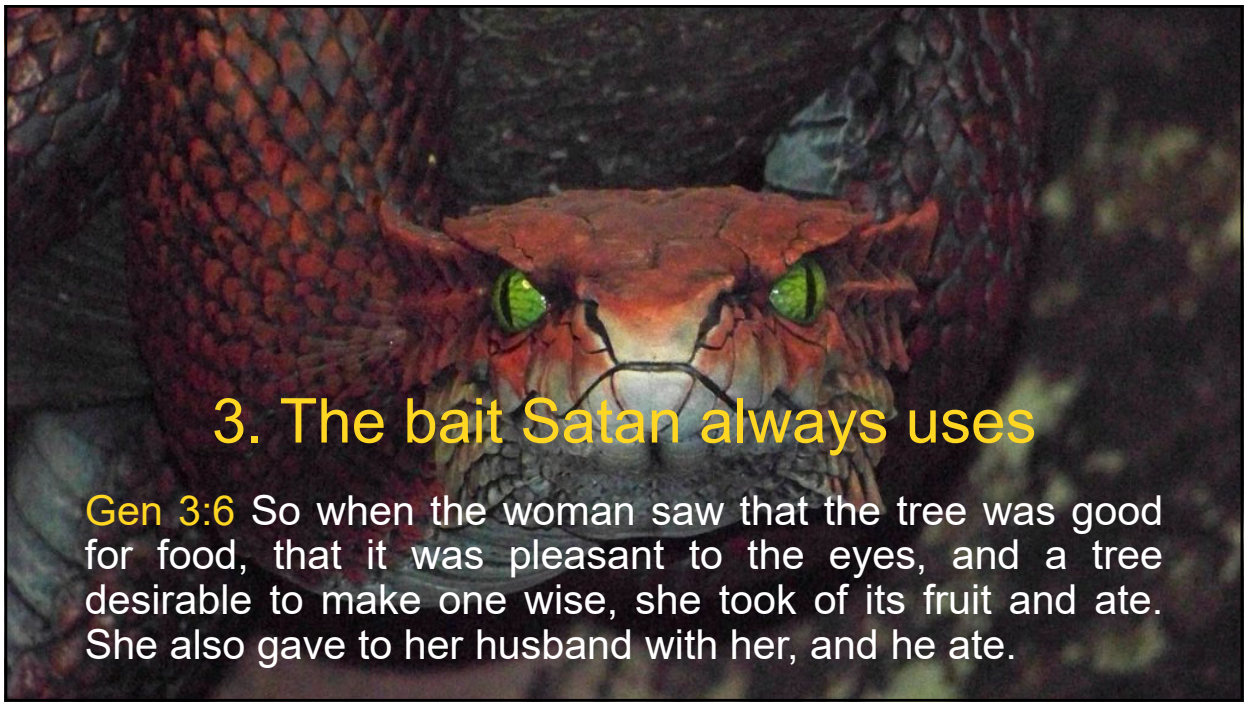

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Gen 3:6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.

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1 Jn 2:16 For all that is in the world – the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life – is not of the Father but is of the world.

- Lust of the flesh – appetites
- Lust of the eyes – greed/materialism
- Pride of life – self-sufficiency without God

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Mt 4:3 Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread." (lust of the flesh)

4:8-9 Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. **9** And he said to Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me." (lust of the eyes)

4:5-6 Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, **6** and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down. For it is written: 'He shall give His angels charge over you,' (pride of life)

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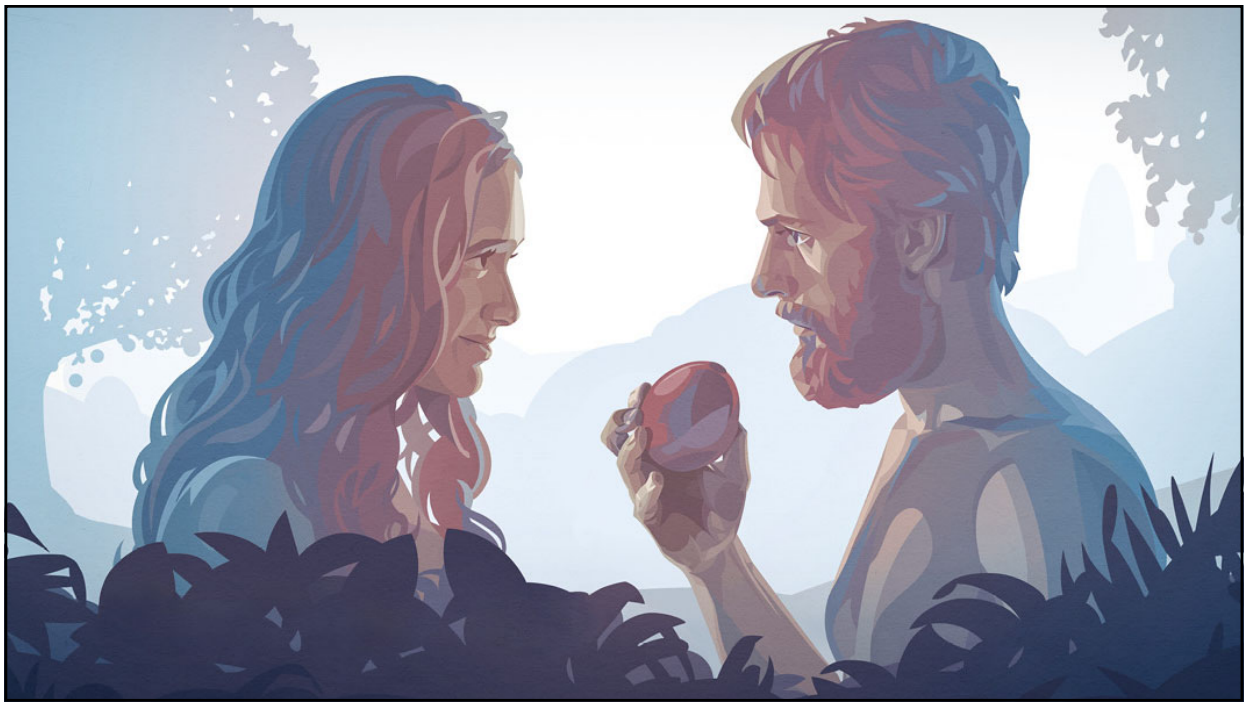

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4. Adam is to blame

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Rom 5:12,14,18-19 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, … **14** Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who had not sinned according to the likeness of the transgression of Adam, … **18** Therefore, as through one man's offense judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation, … **19** For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners,

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5. Man always tries to hide his sins

Gen 3:7 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.

Prov 28:13 He who covers his sins will not prosper, but whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy.

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6. God is always encouraging man to confess his sins

Gen 3:8-11 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. **9** Then the Lord God called to Adam and said to him, "Where are you?" **10** So he said, "I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself." **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?"

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1 Jn 1:9-10 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. [10]If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.

Ps 51:1-4 Have mercy upon me, O God, according to Your lovingkindness; according to the multitude of Your tender mercies, blot out my transgressions. [2] Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. [3]For I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. [4]Against You, You only, have I sinned, and done this evil in Your sight – that You may be found just when You speak, and blameless when You judge.

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7. The greatest impediment to repentance is the "blame game"

Gen 3:12-13 Then the man said, "The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate." [13]And the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

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8. Sin always brings judgment

Gen 3:14-19 So the Lord God said to the serpent: "Because you have done this, you are cursed more than all cattle, and more than every beast of the field; on your belly you shall go, and you shall eat dust all the days of your life. 15 And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel." 16 To the woman He said: "I will greatly multiply your sorrow and your conception; in pain you shall bring forth children; your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you."

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17 Then to Adam He said, "Because you have heeded the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree of which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat of it': "Cursed is the ground for your sake; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life. 18 Both thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you, and you shall eat the herb of the field. 19 In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for dust you are, and to dust you shall return."

Heb 9:27 And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment,

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- The serpent is judged by being cursed to crawl on its stomach as the lowest of the animal kingdom.
- Satan is cursed by fighting God's plan throughout history, delivering a non-lethal wound to Jesus
- Jesus will deliver a lethal wound to Satan's head
- Eve is judged by greater pain in childbirth and greater submission to the man
- Adam is judged by greater labor and struggle for survival
- The ground is cursed by being less productive and by producing thorns and thistles

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Rom 8:19-22 For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God. **20** For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; **21** because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. **22** For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now.

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9. Eve and her female descendants are saved by childbearing

Gen 3:20 And Adam called his wife's name Eve,because she was the mother of all living.

1 Tim 2:15 Nevertheless she will be saved in childbearing if they continue in faith, love, and holiness, with self-control.

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Gen 3:21 Also for Adam and his wife the Lord God made tunics of skin, and clothed them.

Heb 9:22 And according to the law almost all things are purified with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no remission.

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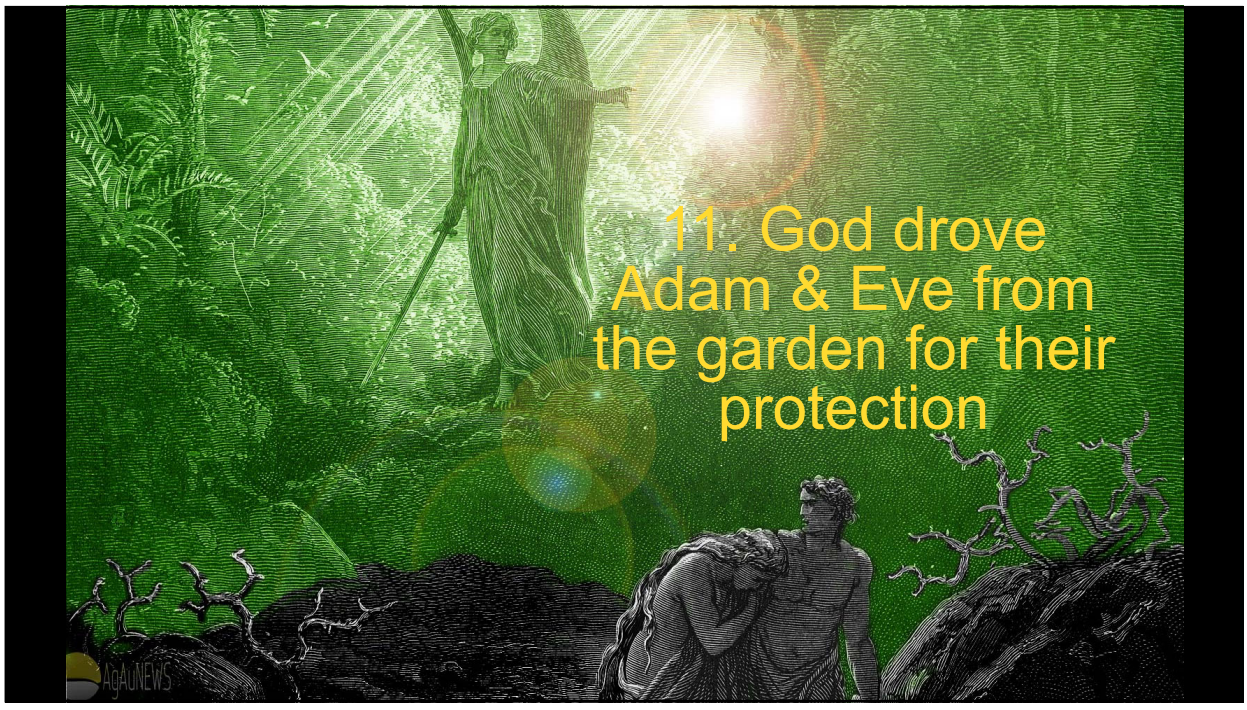

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Gen 3:22-24 Then the Lord God said, Behold, the man has become like one of Us, to know good and evil. And now, lest he put out his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever [23]therefore the Lord God sent him out of the garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken. [24]So He drove out the man; and He placed cherubim at the east of the garden of Eden, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to guard the way to the tree of life.

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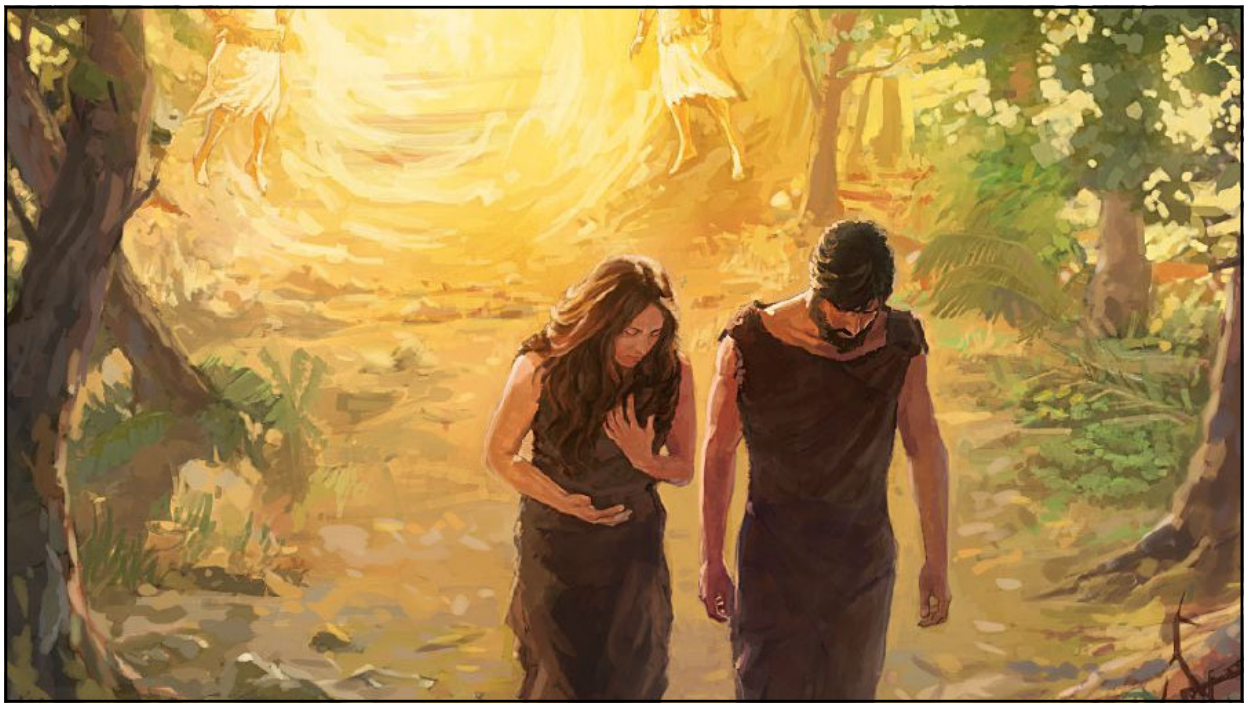

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