

Introduction

In this lesson, we continue learning about Adam and Eve. We will learn about how they disobeyed God. Our Bible passage is found in Genesis 3. Some of the main points we will learn are:

- We must obey God.
- There are consequences for our bad choices.
- God loves us even when we do wrong.

Lesson Guide

Review what we've already learned about creation. Reflect on how the garden of Eden was perfect and Adam and Eve were happy. Share how they enjoyed a relationship with God.

Read Genesis chapter 3 from your child's Bible.

An important part of this week's lesson is about making choices. Older children will automatically question why God allowed Adam and Eve to eat the fruit or why He put the tree in the garden in the first place. This gives us the opportunity to talk to our children about choice and free will.

If your child has a remote-control toy, let them play with the toy. Comment how the toy responds to the remote control. Explore your home for things with switches. Which kid (or grown up) doesn't love to push buttons? Light-switches, TV remotes, computers, toys, etc. Again, comment on how pushing a button makes the item work.

You can now introduce the idea of free will. Say that God didn't make us like a robot or make us love Him or obey Him because we must. He wants us to want to love Him and obey Him. He gave Adam and Eve a choice, they could eat everything but the fruit of one tree and obey God, or they could eat the fruit and choose not to obey God. Introduce the word 'sin.' Explain how when we do things that God doesn't want us to do, we call it sin.

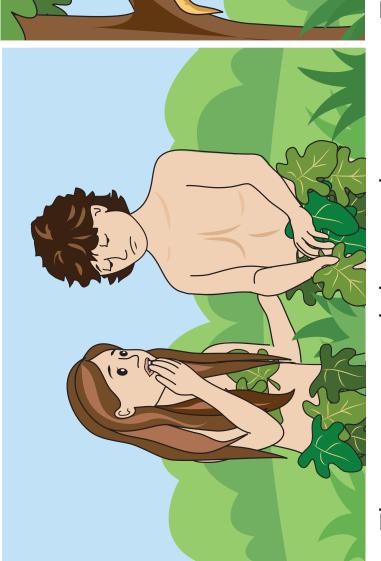
Give your child some situations and ask them to choose what is a good choice and what is a bad choice. E.g. If you break something is it good to A) hide it or B) tell a grown up. If someone has a toy you want is it good to A) take it or B) wait for your turn, and so on. Explain how the most important choice we need to make is to love God.

Show that there are consequences for our actions. Everything we do will have a good or bad consequence. Do some cause and effect activities with your child.

Share how even though God disciplined Adam and Eve for their disobedience, He did not stop loving them. He provided for them and promised a way to save people again.

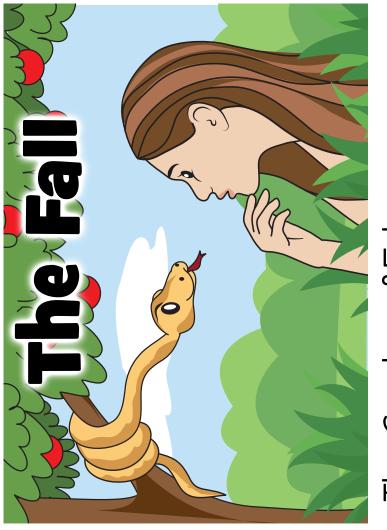
Explain how Jesus came to restore our relationship with God.





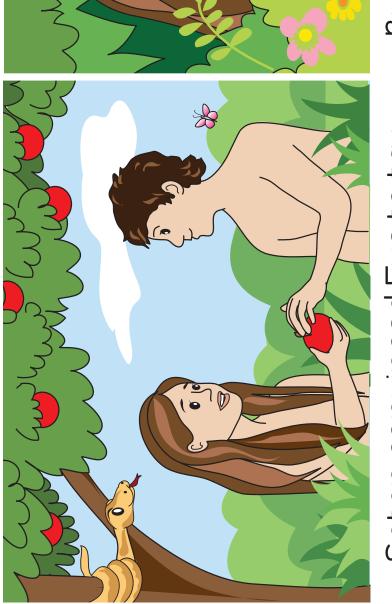


They told God what happened. God said that they would have to leave the perfect garden. But God promised someone would come to save them from their sin.



The Garden of Eden was a beautiful place.

Adam and Eve enjoyed everything God has made. One day, when Eve was walking through the garden she heard a snake calling her. It was Satan in disguise.





Satan convinced Eve to try the fruit God warned them not to eat.

Eve thought the fruit was tasty, so she called Adam to taste it.

Adam liked the fruit and thought it was good.

But then, Adam and Eve began to feel unhappy.

They were ashamed.

They knew they had done something very bad.

When God came to speak to them they hid from Him.

Games and Activities

Bubble snakes

You will need

- 1 × 500 ml water bottle
- 1 x sock
- 1 x rubber band
- scissors
- water
- Dish liquid
- (optional for better bubbles: Glycerine (found in the baking section at the supermarket)

Grown-up: Cut the water bottle in half. Keep the top end.

Place a sock over the cut part of the bottle and secure it with a rubber band.

Mix about 3 tablespoons of dish liquid with 8oz of water and optional 1 tablespoon of glycerine. (This mix can be made in advance and stored)

Put bubble mix into a dish or bowl. Dip the sock end of the bubble blower into the soapy water.

Blow into the other end. Keep blowing. You'll soon see a long snake of bubbles coming out the other end.

NOTE: The bubble mix is not safe to drink. Make sure your child is able and understands to blow and not inhale.

Jump Snake!

This jump rope game is great younger to help with fine motor skills.

For Snake, the rope stays on the ground. Have one person hold it at each end (or weigh one side down).

Wave the rope gently along the floor to look like a slithering snake.

The child should attempt to jump over it without touching the rope. Take turns being the jumper and the snake-mover.

Robot commands

This game is a twist on the classic 'Simon Says'. In our lesson, it will remind children that God did not make them into Robots but gave them free will.

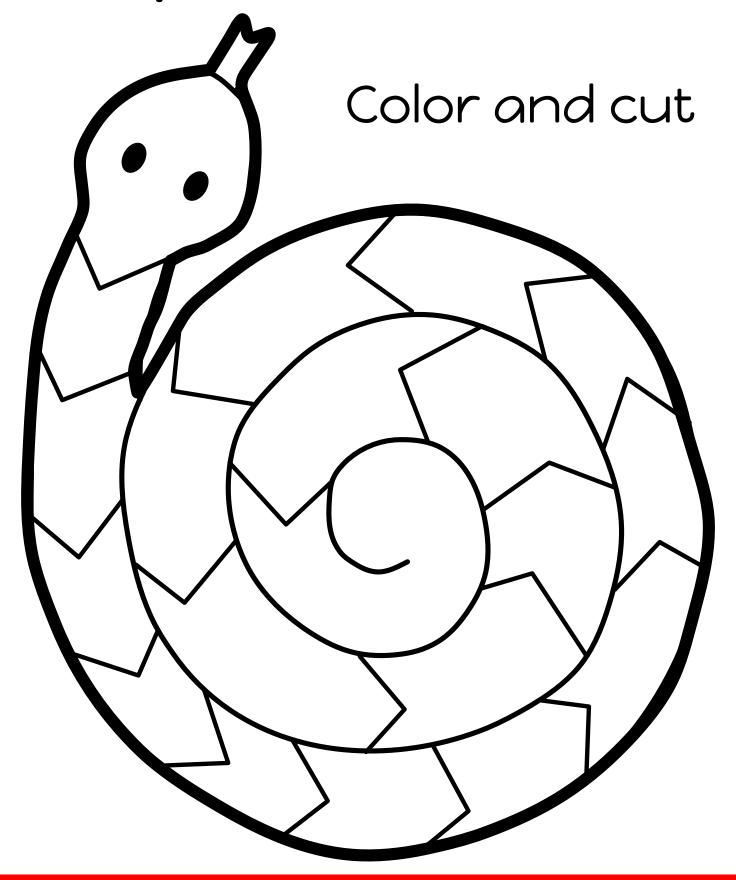
Introduce the game by explaining how Robots always follow commands. When the grown-up says 'Robot,' the child must do what is said. If the instruction does not begin with 'Robot', the child must ignore the instruction.

To make it extra fun, say command in a Robotic voice. If a child is old enough, take it in turns being the Robot.

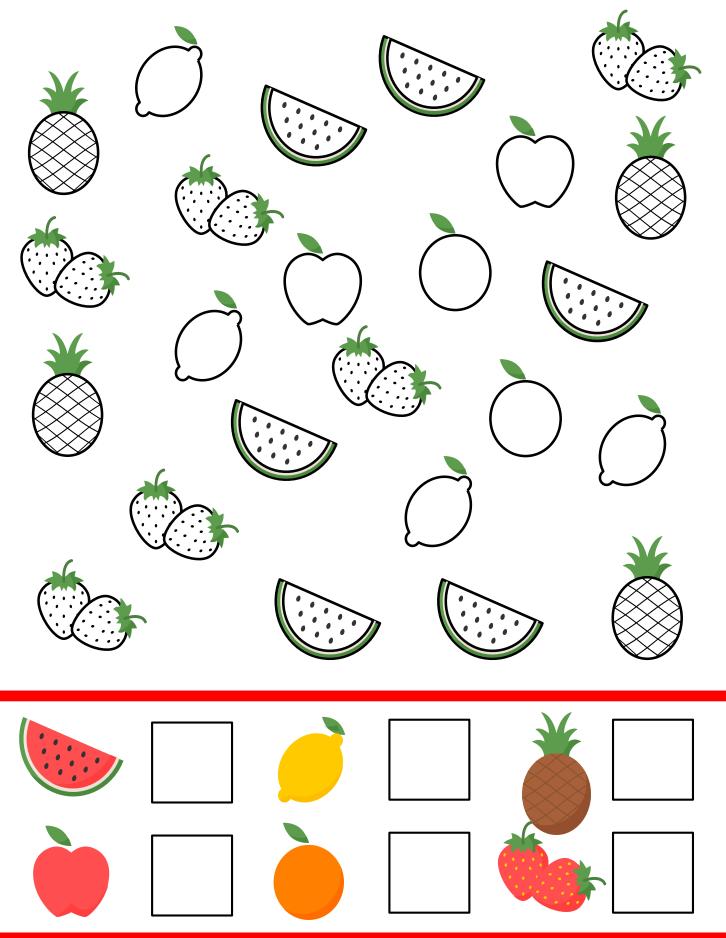


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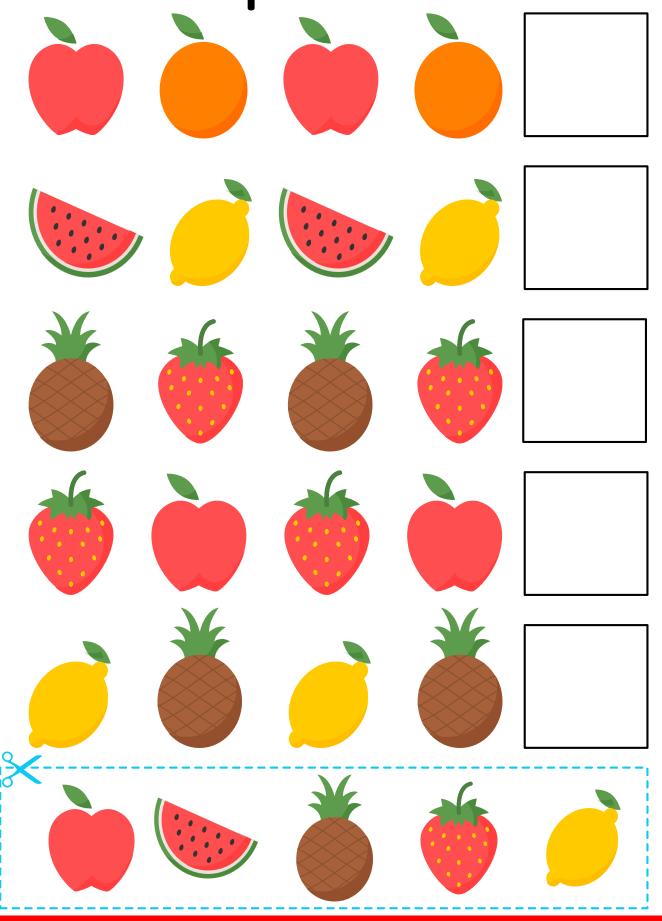
Spiral Snake



Color and Count

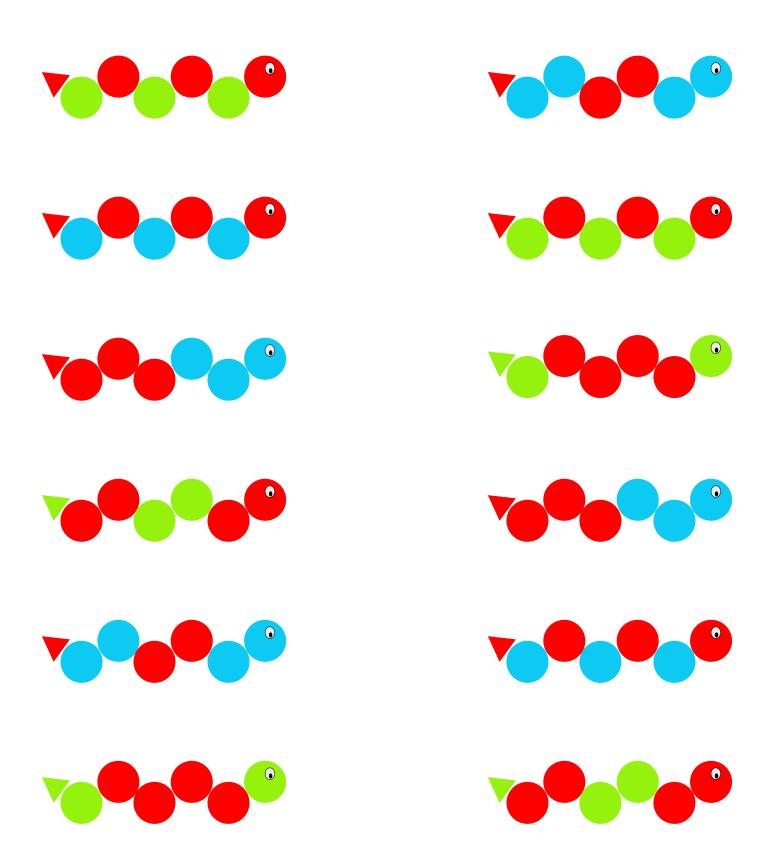


Fruit patterns



Match the Snakes

Draw a line to match the snakes



Tree Craft

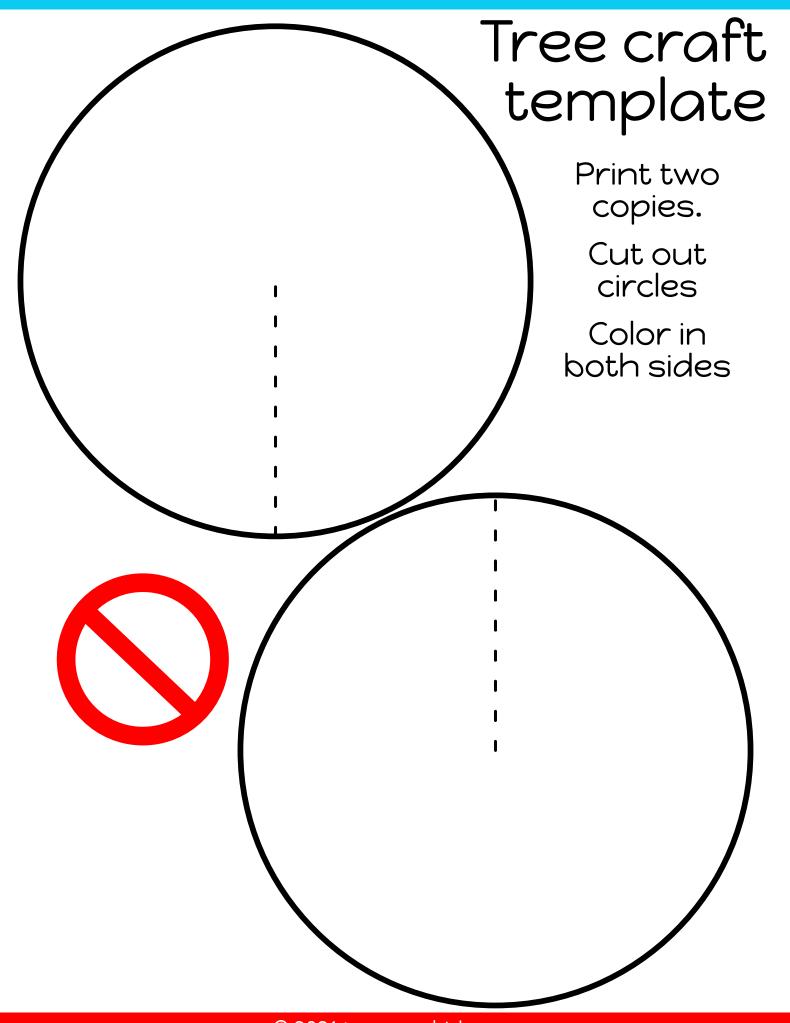
You will need:

- 1 Cardboard tube,
- Think white card
- Markers, pencils or paint
- 1 pipe cleaner
- Color paper
- Glue

Instructions



- 1. Print template onto think white card
- 2. Cut out circles from template and color both sides green.
- 3. Paint and color the outside of the cardboard tube brown.
- 4. Make four small cuts in the top of the tube. (Make a cross)
- 5. Slide green circle into each other and into the slits in the tube. (Add some tape or glue if required.
- 6. Glue on small paper balls to make fruit
- 7. Wrap pipe cleaner around the top of the tree to make a snake.
- 8. Cut out the 'Do not' sign and glue onto trunk of tree.





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Worship Time

God made me

https://youtu.be/0a97A6yIG00

Trust and obey

https://youtu.be/0SWoGIWcvN4

Jesus love is very wonderful

https://youtu.be/u223-5FTHPs



Prayer Time

Talk to your child about the importance of saying sorry. Explain that when we do something wrong to someone we need to say sorry and an important part of prayer is also saying sorry to God for the times with disobey Him.

Next Week

Noah's Ark (Genesis 6-7)

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