

**So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept. Then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken." Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and shall cling to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.**

**And the man and his wife were both  
naked and were not ashamed.**

**Then the eyes of both were opened,  
and they knew that they were naked,  
and they sewed fig leaves together and  
made coverings for themselves.**

**They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?"**

**He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked, and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree and I ate."  
"Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate."**

**To the woman He said, "Your pains in childbearing will greatly increase, in pain you will bring forth children; yet your desire shall be for your husband but he shall rule over you.**

**So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.**

**- 2 Corinthians 5:17-20**

**There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. - Galatians 3:28**