

THIRD GRADE: ORIGINAL SOLITUDE SCRIPTURE STUDY

GENESIS 2:4-25

SECOND LESSON

Teacher Instructions:

- 1) Pass out bibles and *Adam's Search in the Garden* worksheet to each student.
- 2) Consider asking the INTRODUCTION question on page 22 of your *ORIGINAL SOLITUDE SCRIPTURE STUDY* Teacher's Companion Guide.



Teacher Note:

Adam (referring to the first human being) was created in isolation. This ORIGINAL SOLITUDE is essential for man to learn about his identity as being created in the image and likeness of God (A Trinitarian GIFT-OF-SELF.) God says, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suited to him." (Gen. 2:18)

Through this ORIGINAL SOLITUDE, the man learns:

- He is created for a unique relationship with God.
- His body is different from the animals' bodies.
- He is made for relationship, and desires another human.
- He is self-aware & given the ability to choose the good.
- He is superior to all other creatures because he can care for creation and make decisions using free will.

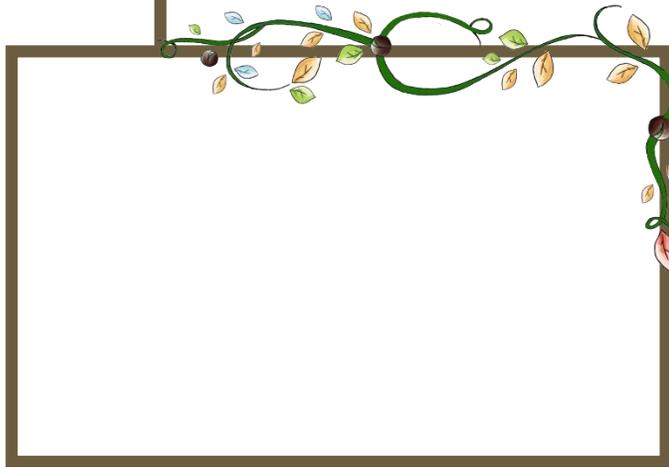
- 3) Read the second creation account together as a class (Genesis 2:4-25). Have the students draw a small picture of Adam's experiences of solitude in the *Adam's Search in the Garden* worksheet.
- 4) Highlight that God presents Adam with the experience of ORIGINAL SOLITUDE as a way to teach Adam about his identity created in the image and likeness of God.
- 5) You may also highlight that is "It is not good for the man to be alone" (Gen. 2:18). We are created for human communion and find ourselves by giving the gift of ourselves.
- 6) Consider asking the REFLECTION questions on page 23 of your *ORIGINAL SOLITUDE SCRIPTURE STUDY* Teacher's Companion Guide.

Adam's Search in the Garden

1

Adam is alone
with God

DIRECTIONS: Read the description above each box that describes Adam's time of being alone in the garden of Eden. Draw a picture in each box that shows Adam's ORIGINAL SOLITUDE.



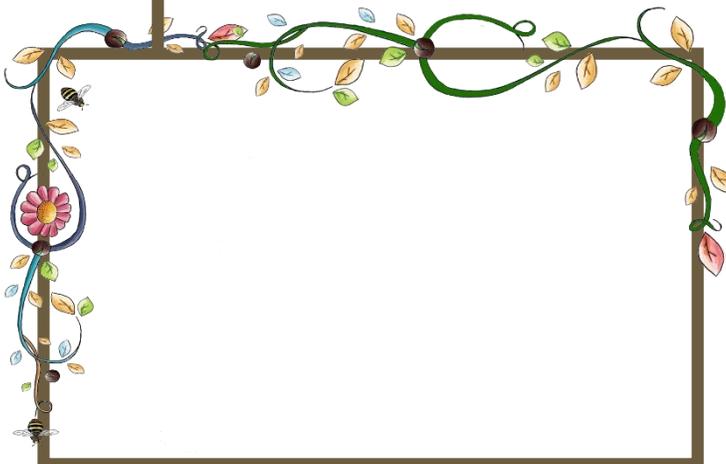
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Adam names
the animals



3

Adam wants a
human
relationship



What does Adam learn by being alone in the garden? Cross out the FALSE statement:

- 1) Adam sees that his body is different from the body of an animal.
- 2) Adam sees that he can have a personal relationship with God.
- 4) Adam wants to be in relationship with another human.
- 5) Adam is no different than an animal.