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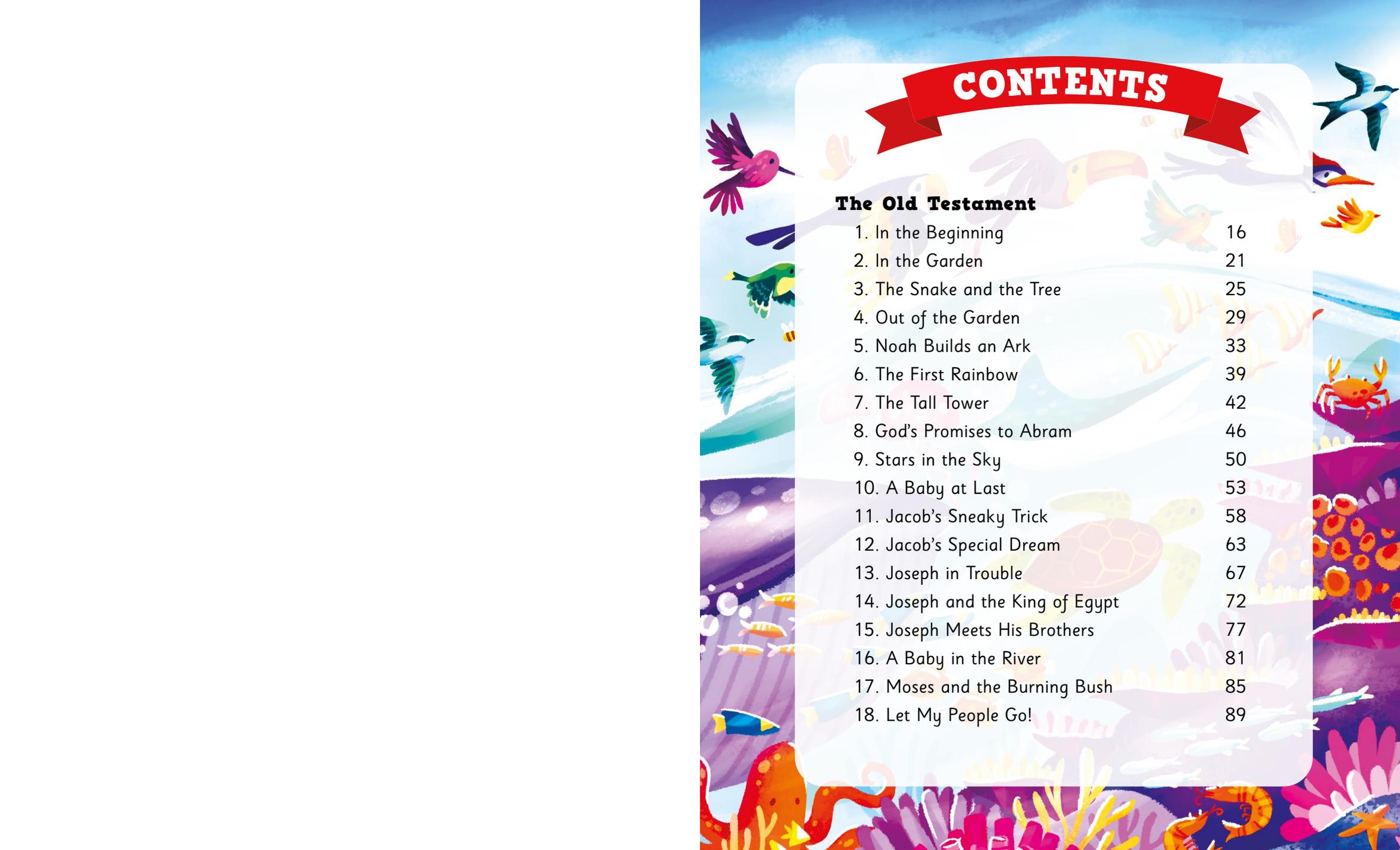
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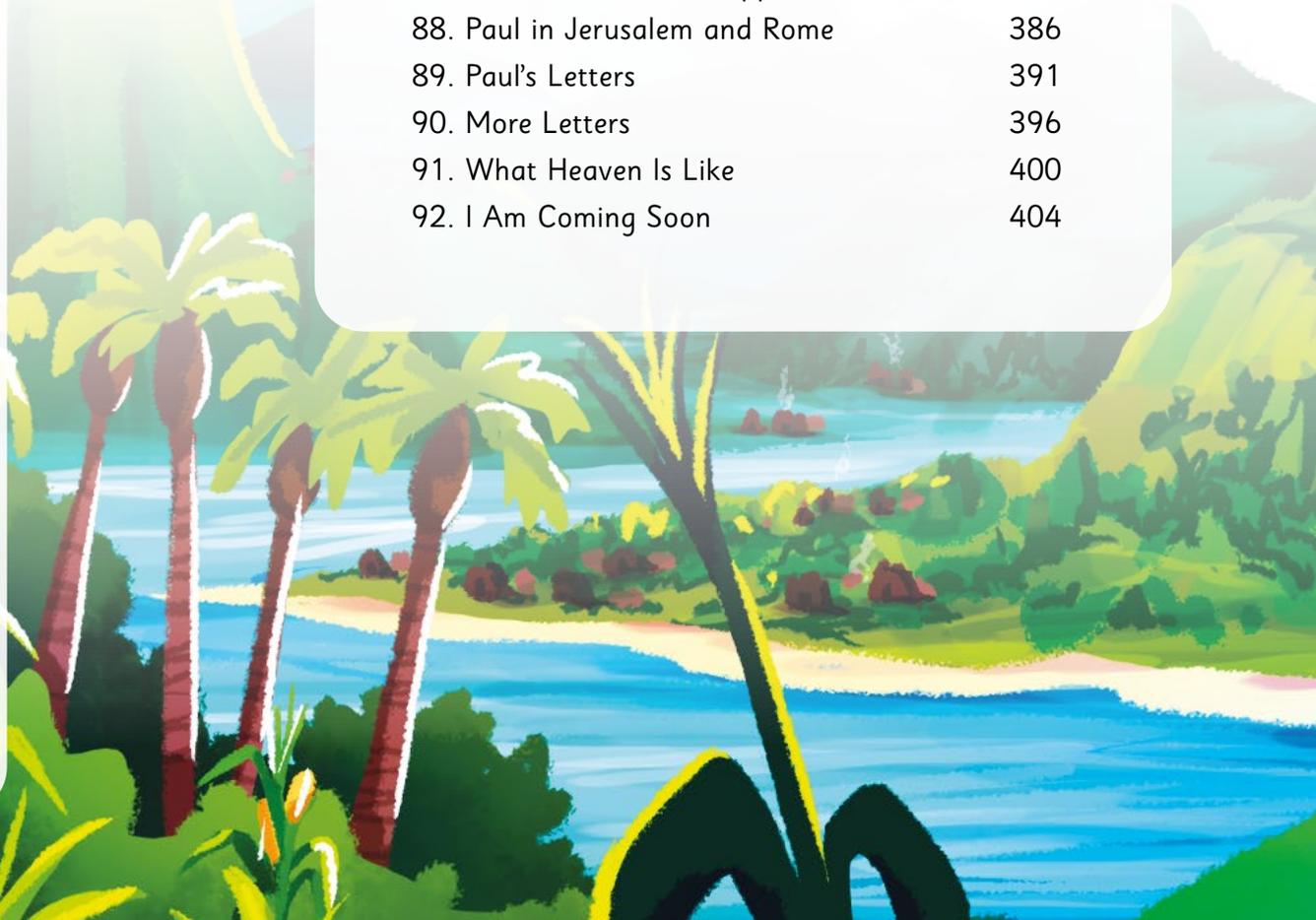
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## BIG PROMISES

The Bible is a big book! There are lots and lots and **LOTS** of stories in it, and all of them are true! But the Bible is also **ONE BIG TRUE STORY**. It is the story of how God made and kept **AMAZING** promises. Keep a look out for these clues on the pages and spot God making and keeping all his promises!



God  
**MAKES**  
a promise

God  
**KEEPS**  
a promise

To **RESCUE**



About his  
**PEOPLE**



About a good  
**LAND** to live in



That he will bring  
**JOY** – happiness



About a  
**KING**



## PROMISE PATHS

If you'd like to enjoy how God made and kept one particular type of promise, follow the paths by turning to each numbered story listed in the promise paths below...



### The **RESCUE** path

2-3-4-5-6-8-9-16-17-19-20-30-35-40-42-45-

47-49-58-64-68-75-77-78-79-84-87-91-92



### The **PEOPLE** path

2-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15-19-21-28-40-45-49-

55-58-75-77-78-79-80-81-82-83-87-88-89-91-92



### The **LAND** path

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40-42-45-49-58-62-75-77-78-79-81-86-91-92



### The **JOY** path

2-3-5-6-8-11-12-28-40-42-45-46-48-49-50-57-

58-64-71-75-77-78-79-80-81-82-85-86-91-92



### The **KING** path

8-9-10-33-34-35-36-37-38-40-42-45-46-49-51-

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### The **ONE BIG STORY IN 20 STORIES** path

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GOD'S **BIG** PROMISES

# The Old Testament

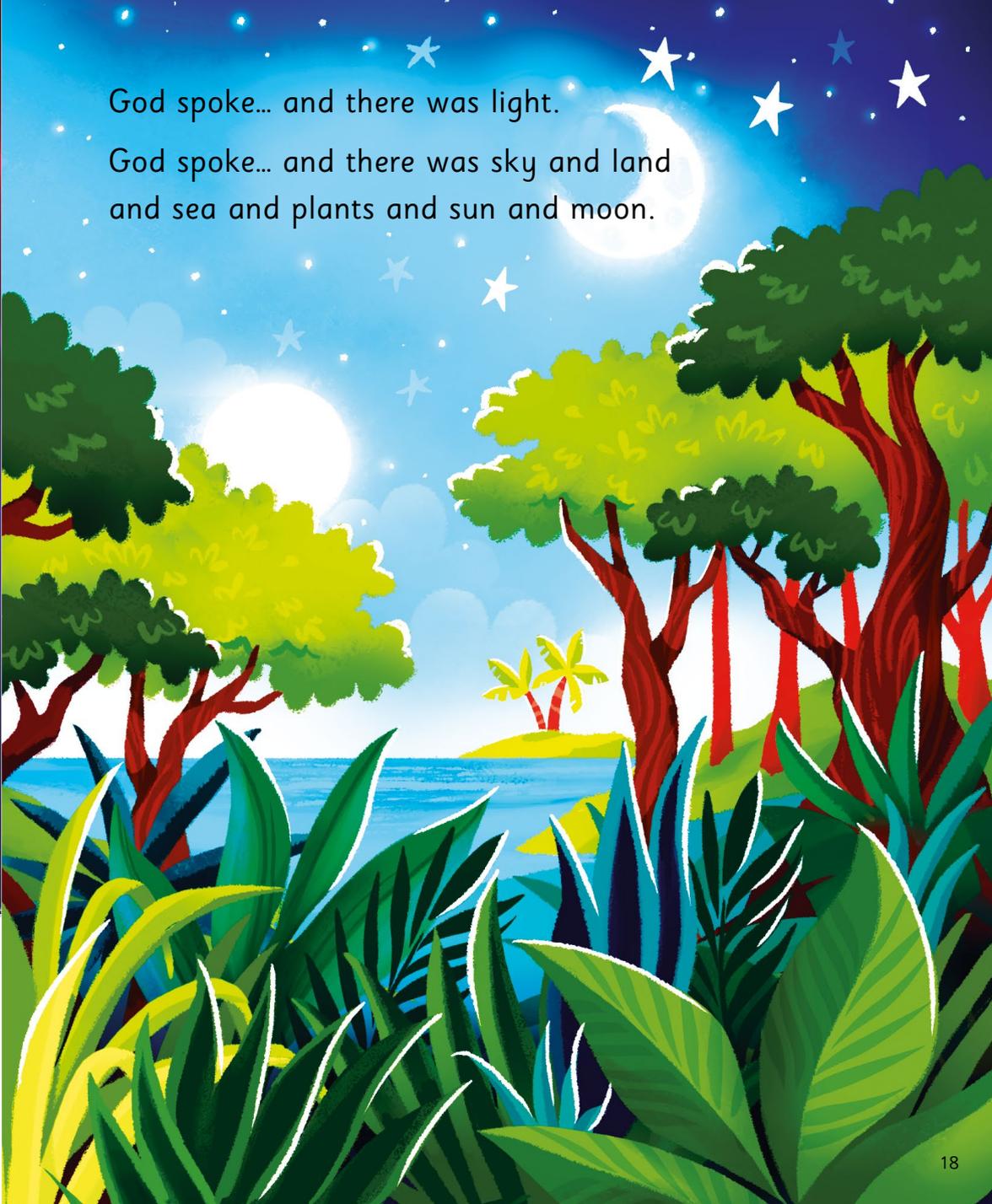


# 1. In the Beginning

Genesis 1

In the beginning, before there was anything else,  
there was God.

Then, from nothing, God made everything.



God spoke... and there was light.

God spoke... and there was sky and land  
and sea and plants and sun and moon.

God spoke... and the sea was full of fish.  
He spoke, and the air was full of birds.



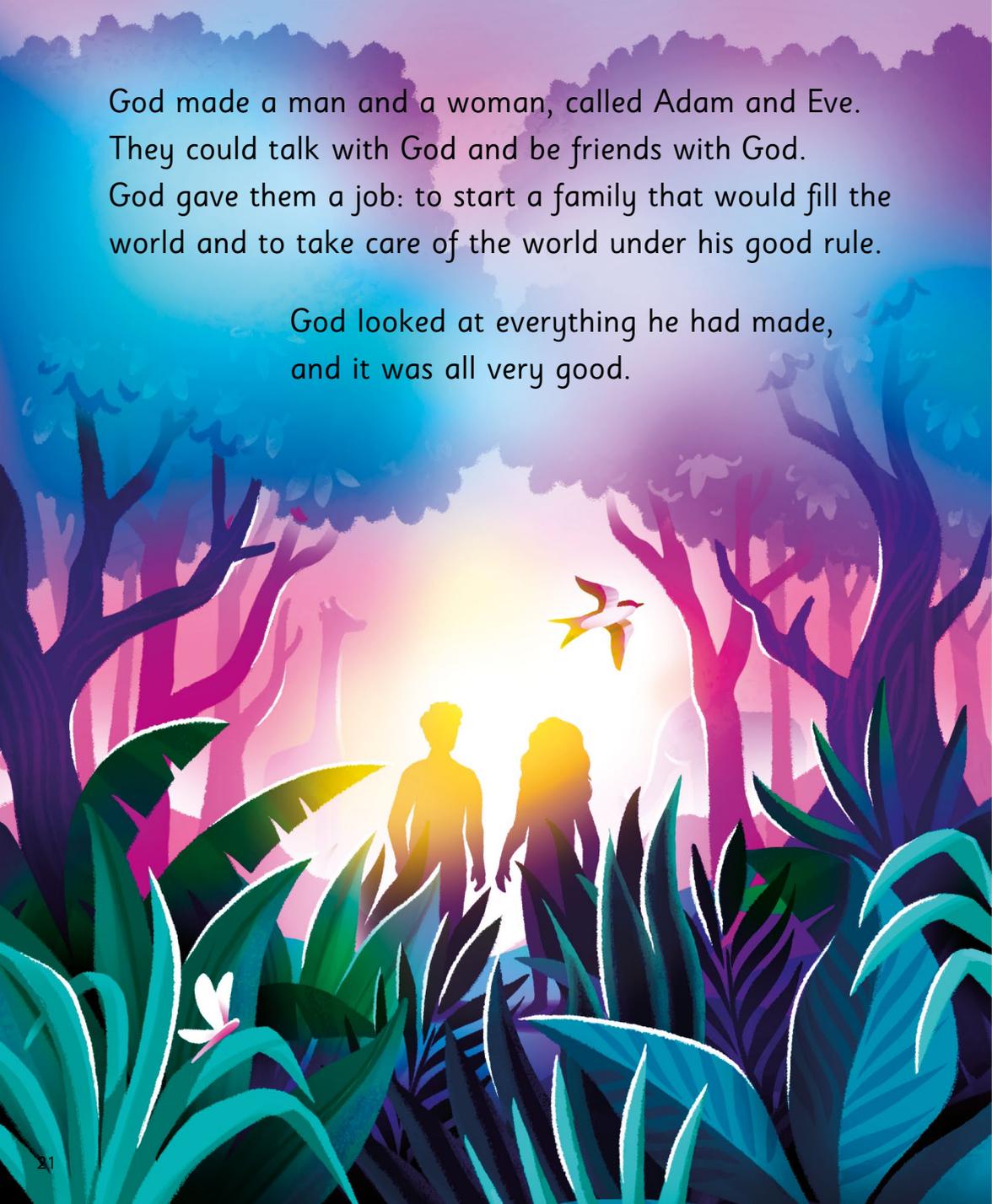
He spoke, and the land was full of all kinds of  
amazing animals.

Everything that God had made was good.

And then he made the best thing of all.

God made a man and a woman, called Adam and Eve.  
They could talk with God and be friends with God.  
God gave them a job: to start a family that would fill the world and to take care of the world under his good rule.

God looked at everything he had made,  
and it was all very good.



## 2. In the Garden

Genesis 2



When God made Adam, he gave him a wonderful garden to enjoy living in and taking care of. It was full of beautiful trees that were full of tasty fruit.

In the middle of the garden were two special trees.

People could eat from Special Tree Number One if they wanted to stay alive. Anyone could eat from it every day, and never die.

People could eat from Special Tree Number Two if they wanted to be in charge. Anyone could eat from it to show that they thought they should make the rules.

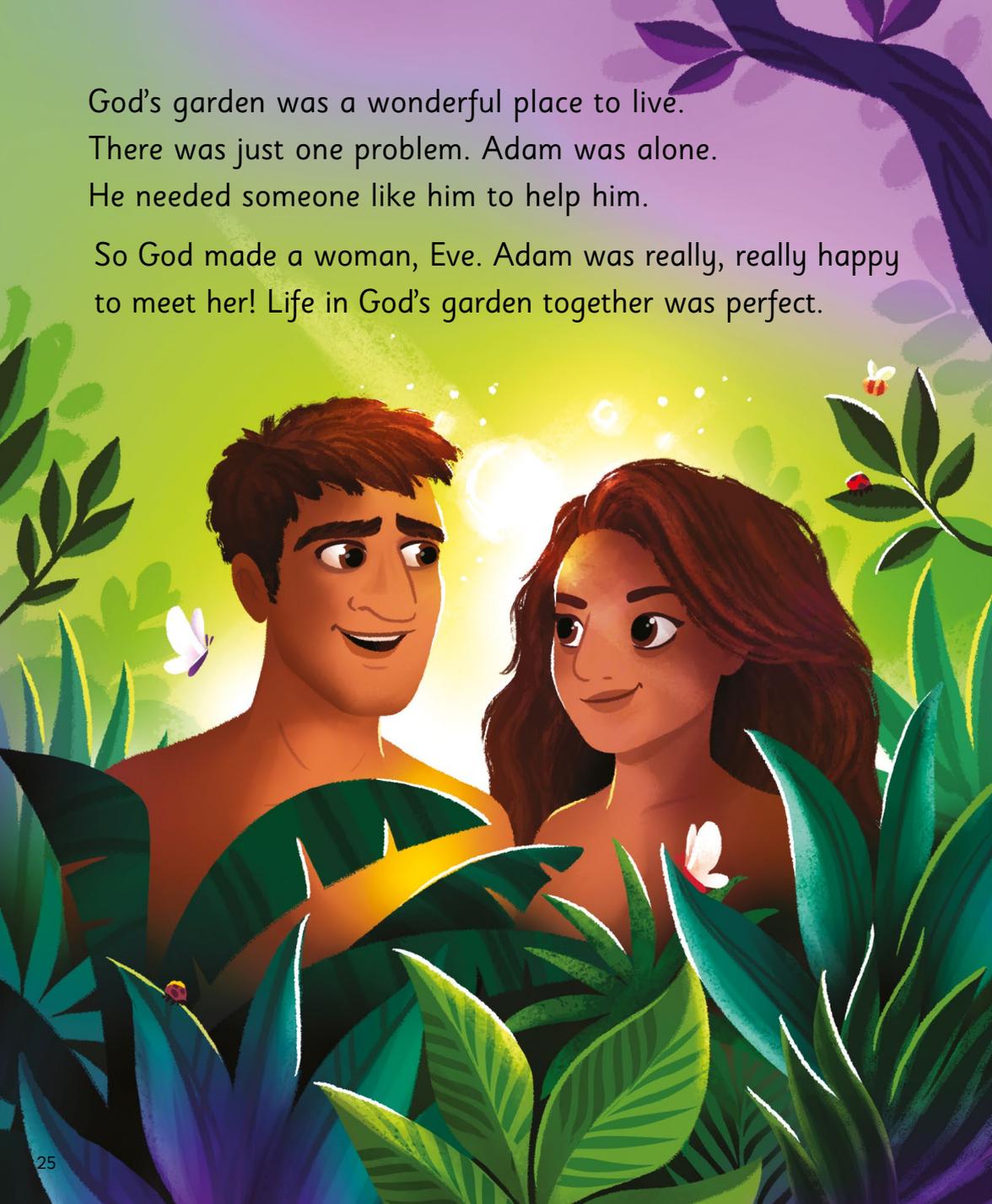


God gave Adam two promises. The first was, “You are free to eat from any tree, including Special Tree Number One. Then you will enjoy life forever.”

The second was, “You must not eat from Special Tree Number Two, because you are not in charge. If you do, you won’t be able to enjoy my garden forever. Instead, you will die.”

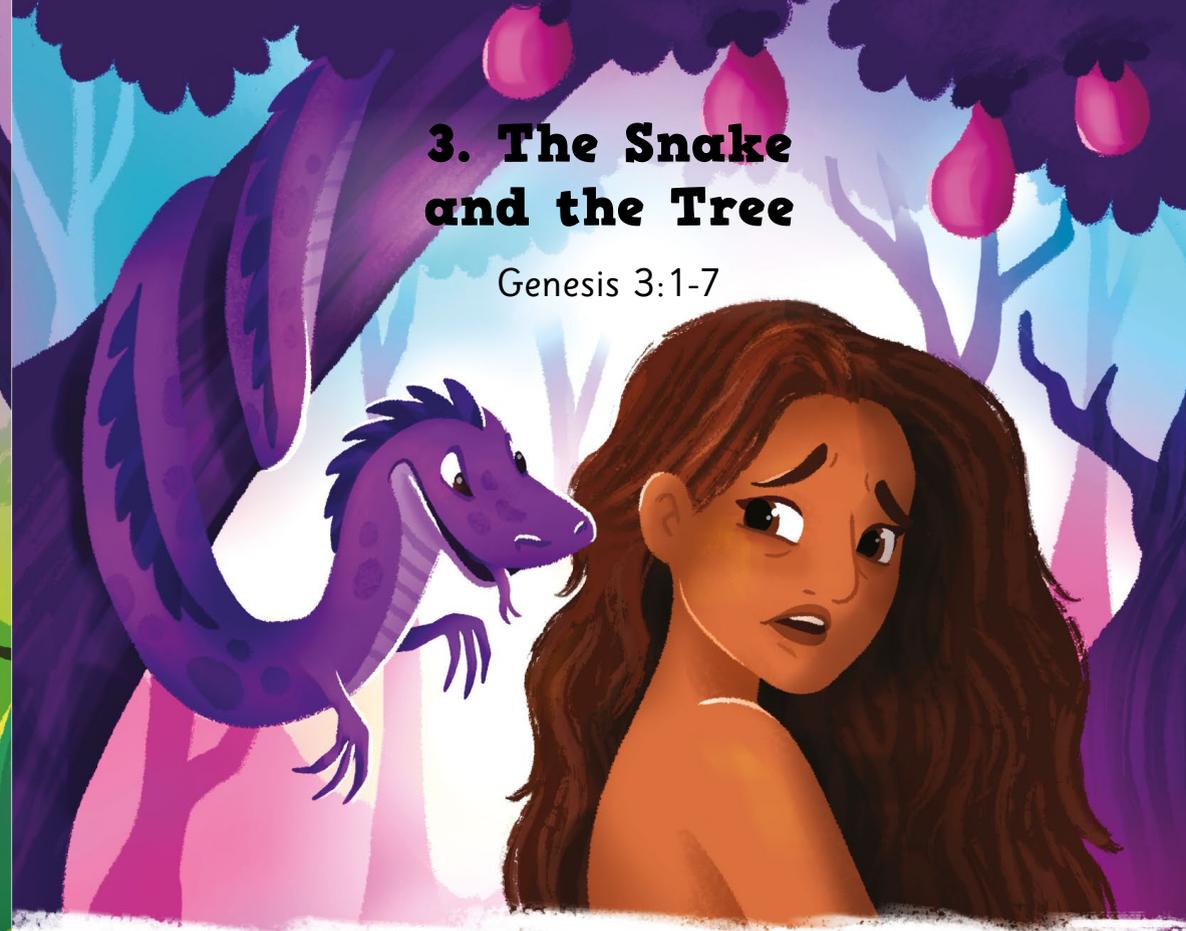
God's garden was a wonderful place to live.  
There was just one problem. Adam was alone.  
He needed someone like him to help him.

So God made a woman, Eve. Adam was really, really happy  
to meet her! Life in God's garden together was perfect.



### 3. The Snake and the Tree

Genesis 3:1-7



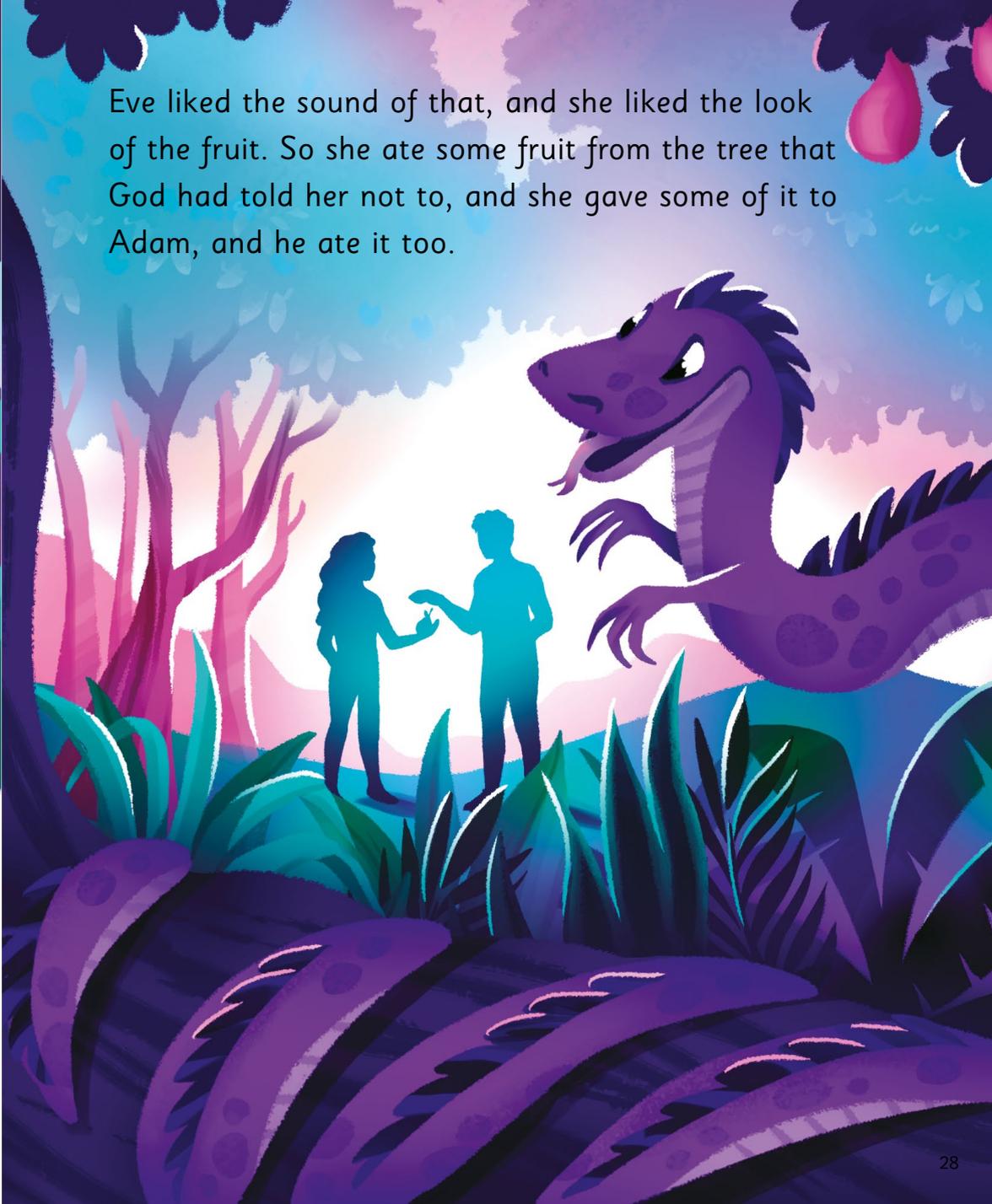
There was a crafty snake in God's garden. He did not like  
God and he did not want to live under God's good rule.

The crafty snake asked Eve a crafty question:  
"Did God *really* say you must not eat from the trees  
in this garden?"



“No, there is only one tree that God told us not to eat from,” answered Eve. “He promised that if we eat fruit from that one tree, we will die.”

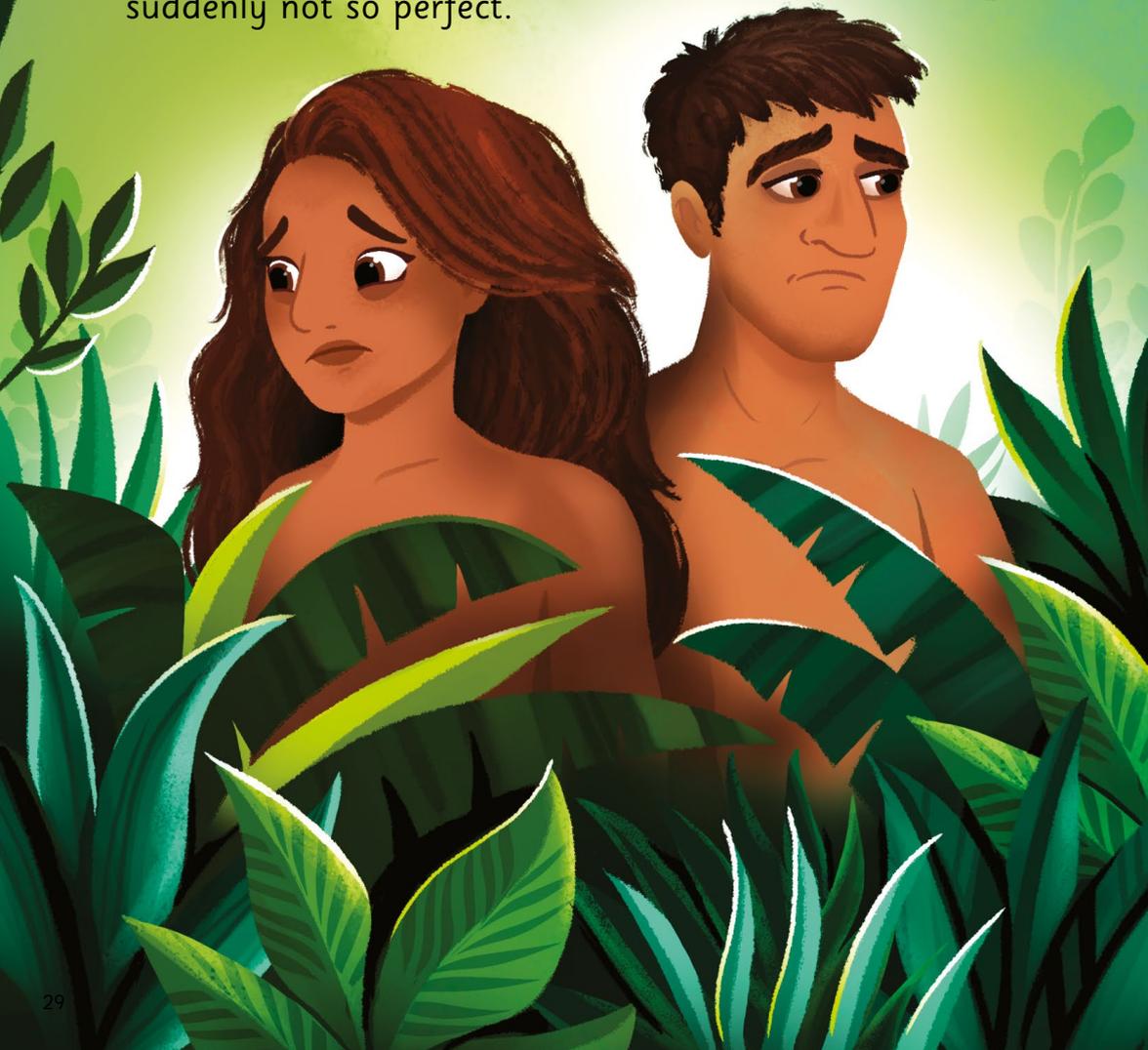
“You won’t die if you eat from that tree!” said the snake. “No – you will be like God. You will be in charge! You will be able to make your own rules.”



Eve liked the sound of that, and she liked the look of the fruit. So she ate some fruit from the tree that God had told her not to, and she gave some of it to Adam, and he ate it too.

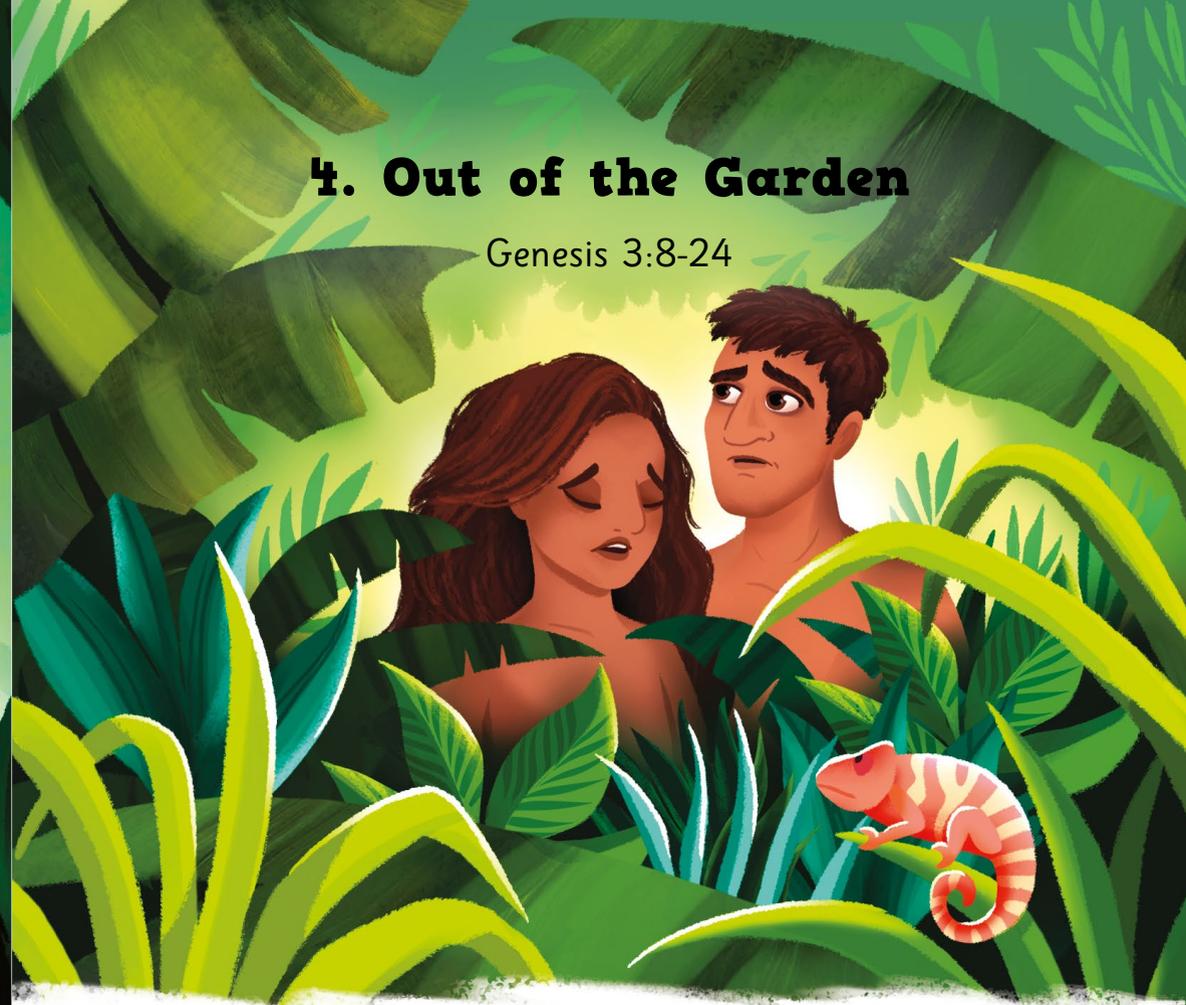
But when Eve and Adam looked at each other, they did not feel as happy as they had before. They did not love each other like they had before.

Life in God's garden together was suddenly not so perfect.



## 4. Out of the Garden

Genesis 3:8-24



God came to his garden to find Adam and Eve.

They knew they had eaten from the tree he had told them not to. They knew God had promised that if they did that, they would die. They felt scared, so they hid.