

# ***Bible Stories for Young Children***

*part of a curriculum prepared for young children*

## ***THE FALL***

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GENESIS 2:8-17; 3:1-24

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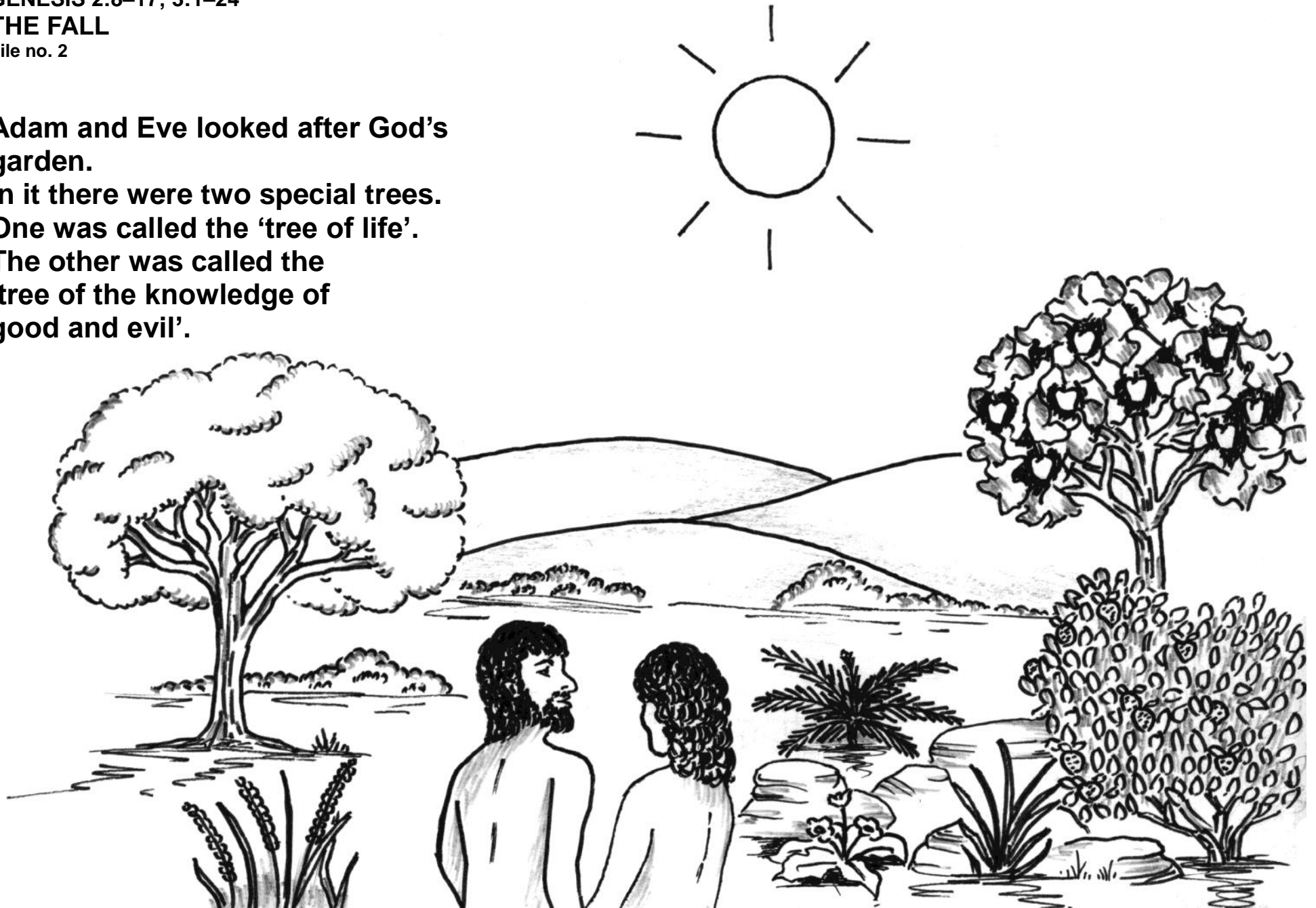
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Adam and Eve looked after God's garden.

In it there were two special trees.

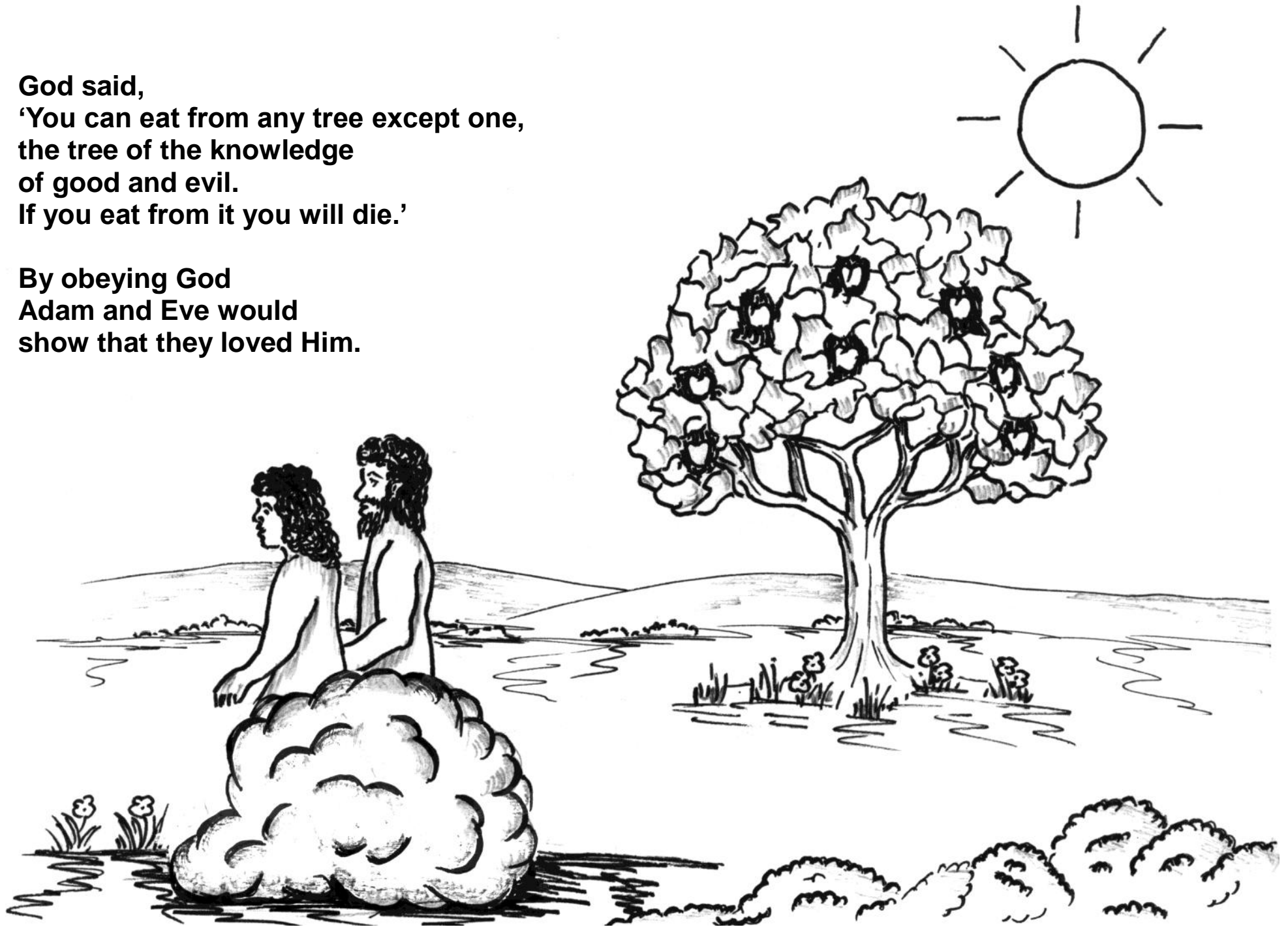
One was called the 'tree of life'.

The other was called the 'tree of the knowledge of good and evil'.



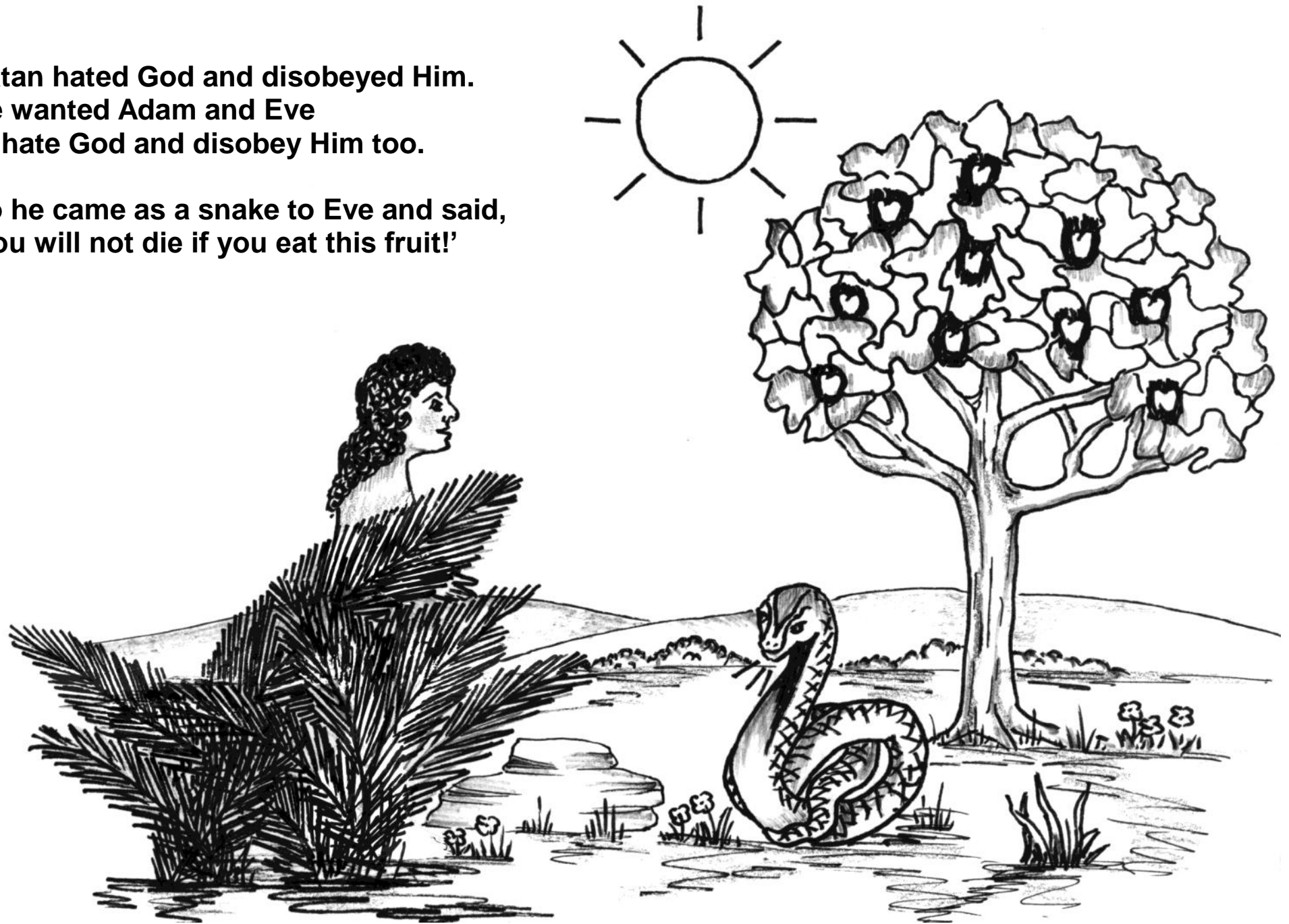
**God said,  
'You can eat from any tree except one,  
the tree of the knowledge  
of good and evil.  
If you eat from it you will die.'**

**By obeying God  
Adam and Eve would  
show that they loved Him.**



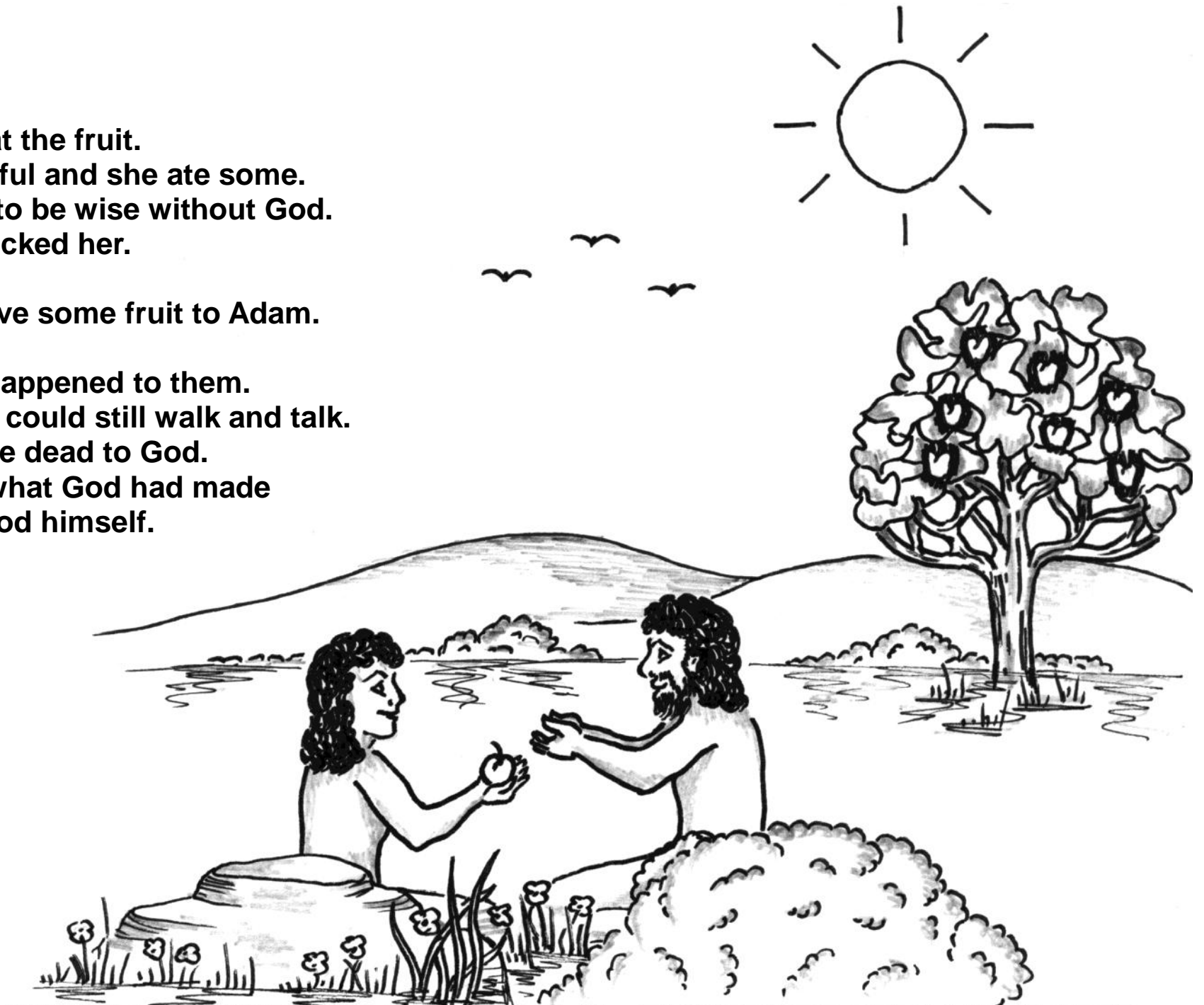
Satan hated God and disobeyed Him.  
He wanted Adam and Eve  
to hate God and disobey Him too.

So he came as a snake to Eve and said,  
'You will not die if you eat this fruit!'



**Eve looked at the fruit.  
It was beautiful and she ate some.  
She wanted to be wise without God.  
Satan had tricked her.**

**Then Eve gave some fruit to Adam.  
He ate it too.  
Something happened to them.  
Their bodies could still walk and talk.  
But they were dead to God.  
They loved what God had made  
more than God himself.**



**At the end of the day  
God came as usual  
to talk with Adam and Eve.  
They were hiding.**

**He called out,  
'Adam, where are you?'**

**Adam answered,  
'I heard you coming  
and I hid myself.  
I was afraid because I was naked.'**

**'Have you eaten the fruit?'  
God asked.**

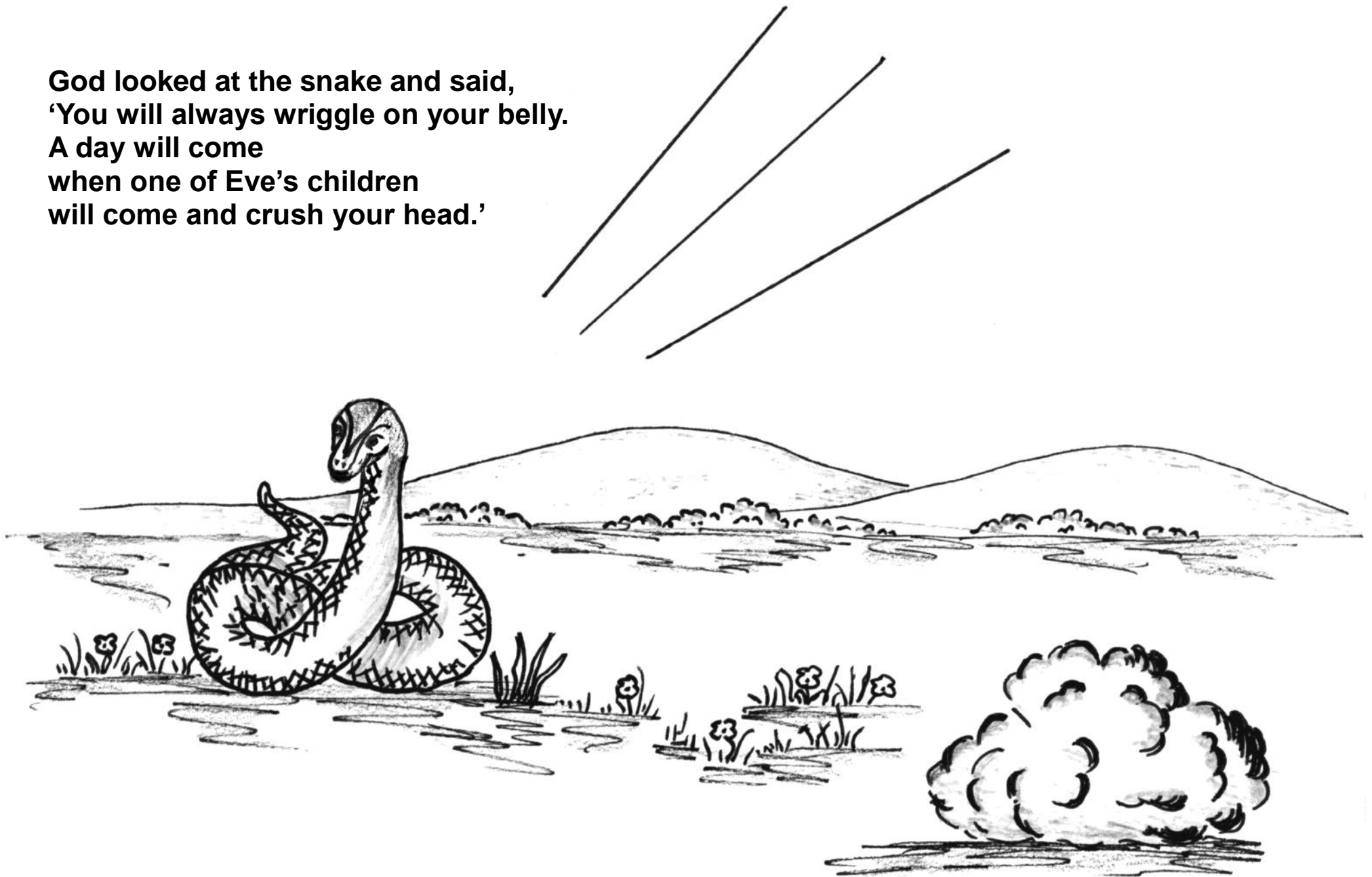
**'Eve gave me the fruit,'  
said Adam.**

**'What have you done, Eve?'  
asked God**

**'The snake tricked me,'  
she said,  
'and I ate the fruit.'**



God looked at the snake and said,  
'You will always wriggle on your belly.  
A day will come  
when one of Eve's children  
will come and crush your head.'





**Then God spoke to Adam and Eve  
and said,  
'Because you have eaten this fruit,  
your life will always be difficult.  
When you die you will return to dust.'**



God made clothes  
for Adam and Eve.  
He sent them  
out of the garden  
and put two angels  
and a flaming sword there.

This was to stop them  
eating the fruit  
from the 'tree of life'  
and living forever as sinners.

