

Day 3: Creation of our first parents, Adam and Eve

Symbol ideas: tree, man and woman

Genesis, Chapter 1: 24-31

24: And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds: cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds." And it was so.

25: And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the cattle according to their kinds, and everything that creeps upon the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

26: Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

27: So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

28: And God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth."

29: And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food.

30: And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so.

31: God looked at everything He had made, and He found it very good. Evening came, and morning followed—the sixth day.

Genesis, Chapter 2: 7-8, 15-23

7: then the LORD God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

8: And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed.

15: The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to till it and keep it.

16: And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden;

17: but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

18: Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him."

20: The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper fit for him.

21: So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh;

22: and the rib which the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man.

23: Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man."