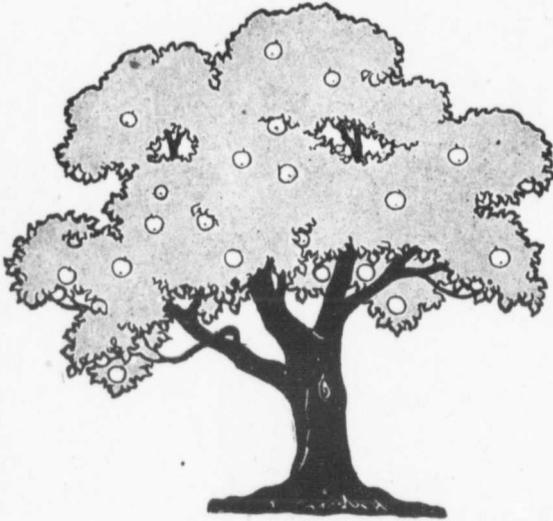


SIN AND ITS CONSEQUENCES

Genesis, chapter 3; Romans 1:18-23; James 1:15



Adam and Eve went on living happily together. But then one day the serpent entered the beautiful garden of Eden.

"Is it true that the Lord will not let you eat the fruit from the trees in the garden?" he said to Eve.

Eve answered: "We may eat the fruit from

every tree except the tree that stands in the very middle of the garden. God has forbidden our eating from that tree lest we die."

"You would not surely die," the serpent replied. Then he tempted Eve to eat the fruit from that tree.

And Eve did pick the fruit and eat it. She gave some to Adam and he ate, too.

How unhappy Adam and Eve were after they had done this! They knew quite well in their hearts how wicked they had been. They were sorry and afraid. They were so sorry that when that evening God came to walk in the garden they did not dare go to meet him. They hid among the bushes.

God called, "Adam, Adam, where are you?"

Adam answered, "I heard your voice in the garden, and I was afraid."