"GRACE IN THE GARDEN"
SERIES: "...but GOD..."

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But/conjunction/(but): 1) Used to introduce something contrasting with what has already been mentioned. 2) Nevertheless; however. 3) On the contrary; in contrast

God/noun/(How much time do you have?)

"²⁷God created human beings in his own image. In the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. ²⁸Then God blessed them and said, 'Be fruitful and multiply. Fill the earth and govern it.'" –GEN. 1:27-28

"15The Lord God placed the man in the Garden of Eden to tend and watch over it. ¹⁶But the Lord God warned him, 'You may freely eat the fruit of every tree in the garden—¹⁷except the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. If you eat its fruit, you are sure to die.'"

—GEN. 2:15-17

"The serpent was the shrewdest of all the wild animals the Lord God had made. One day he asked the woman, 'Did God really say you must not eat the fruit from any of the trees in the garden?' 2'Of course we may eat fruit from the trees in the garden,' the woman replied. 3'It's only the fruit from the tree in the middle of the garden that we are not allowed to eat. God said, "You must not eat it or even touch it; if you do, you will die." 4'You won't die!' the serpent replied to the woman. 5'God knows that your eyes will be opened as soon as you eat it, and you will be like God, knowing both good and evil." ⁶The woman was convinced. She saw that the tree was beautiful and its fruit looked delicious, and she wanted the wisdom it would give her. So she took some of the fruit and ate it. Then she gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it, too. ⁷At that moment their eyes were opened, and they suddenly felt shame at their nakedness. So they sewed fig leaves together to cover themselves." -GEN. 3:1-7

1.	Adam	&	Eve's	story	is	OUR	story
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•	God says
•	We do

2.	Adam &	Eve looked for		to	hide their	sin
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•	The problem?	They're	

3.	In God comes looking for them				
	"Where are you?" — GEN 3:9				
	Grace /noun/: (in Christian belief) The free and unmerited favo of God, as manifested in the salvation of sinners and the bestowal of blessings.				
	"Grace is most shapely defined when sin is the issue. Grace reveal God to us at the level of our most poignant need." –J. ELLSWORTH KALAS				
4.	Adam & Eve their guilt – GEN 3:10-13				
5.	is pronounced -GEN. 3:14-19, 23				
6.	is extended				
	"21 And the Lord God made clothing from animal skins for Adam				

THE REST OF THE STORY..."¹²When Adam sinned, sin entered the world. Adam's sin brought death, so death spread to everyone, for everyone sinned... ¹⁴Now Adam is a symbol, a representation of Christ, who was yet to come. ¹⁵But there is a great difference between Adam's sin and God's gracious gift. For the sin of this one man, Adam, brought death to many. But even greater is God's wonderful grace and his gift of forgiveness to many through this other man, Jesus Christ. ¹⁶And the result of God's gracious gift is very different from the result of that one man's sin. For Adam's sin led to condemnation, but God's free gift leads to our being made right with God, even though we are guilty of many sins." –ROM. 5:12-16

and his wife." -GEN. 3:21

"For the wages of sin is death, **but** the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord." –ROM. 6:23

•	In the garden	, God covered the sins of Adam and Eve with
	the	of an animal
•	On the cross,	God covers the sins of all humanity with
	the	of His Son

"If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."

-Rom. 10:9