

God's Plan for Salvation

Keep these ideas in mind as you study **Unit 1, Session 3**.

In the beginning God created a man, Adam, and a woman, Eve, and he gave them the Garden of Eden to live in.

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God told Adam and Eve to care for the garden, and he told them that they could eat the fruit of every tree but one. For a while Adam and Eve were happy because they lived in obedience, listening to God and to each other.

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Adam and Eve were tempted by a serpent. By giving in to temptation, Adam and Eve showed that they did not trust God.

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Adam and Eve turned away from God. As a result we are born into Original Sin and live in a world full of temptation.

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When we sin, we turn away from God. We harm our relationship with him and with others.

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God did not give up on Adam and Eve, nor does he give up on us. He promised that a Savior would come to save us from our sins.

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We receive Salvation—the forgiveness of sins and the restoration of friendship with God—through Jesus.

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We pray the Act of Hope to express our trust in God.

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We praise God for being merciful and ask him to mend our broken relationships when we pray the *Kyrie* during the Penitential Act of the Mass.

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