



Revealing Words Bible Study

“Where Are You”

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In the beginning, Adam and Eve lived in the Garden of Eden, a paradise crafted by God Himself. They walked in perfect harmony with creation and with their Creator, naked and unashamed, free from fear, guilt, or striving. God gave them every tree for food except one—the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. They lived in intimacy with God, hearing His voice in the cool of the day, stewarding the garden, and enjoying each other without shame. But one day, the serpent, more cunning than any beast, approached Eve and questioned God’s command. “Did God really say...?” he asked, planting doubt. He twisted truth, suggesting that eating the fruit would not lead to death but to enlightenment: “You will be like God, knowing good and evil.” Eve saw the fruit was pleasing to the eye and desirable for gaining wisdom. She took it and ate, and gave some to Adam, who was with her, and he ate too. Instantly, their eyes were opened—they saw their nakedness and felt shame. They sewed fig leaves together to cover themselves and hid when they heard God walking in the garden. Then came the moment of divine confrontation. “Where are you?” God called. Adam replied, “I heard You in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid.” And God asked the piercing question: “Who told you that you were naked?” It wasn’t just a question about clothing—it was about identity. God wasn’t seeking information; He was revealing the voice that had replaced His own in their hearts. The voice of shame, accusation, and fear had entered where once only love and truth had spoken.

Today, we still wrestle with that same question: “Who told you?” Who told you that you are unworthy, broken, or beyond repair? We often listen to the voice that defines us by our failures, our past, or our performance. It’s the voice that says, “You are what you’ve done,” rather than “You are who God made you to be.” But God’s voice is different. It speaks identity before behavior, love before correction, and belonging before achievement. He sees us as beloved sons and daughters, even when we hide in shame. The challenge is to tune our ears to His voice—the one that walked with Adam and Eve in the garden, the one that still calls out, “Where are you?” not to condemn, but to restore. When we listen to the voice of truth, we begin to live not from fear, but from freedom.

Life Before the Fall

1. What does Adam and Eve's freedom and intimacy with God teach us about His original design for human identity?
2. How might our lives look different if we lived with the same trust and openness that Adam and Eve had before the temptation?

The Temptation and the Fall

3. What tactics did the serpent use to distort God's voice and plant doubt in Eve's heart?
4. Why do you think Adam remained silent during the temptation? What does this reveal about the power of passive agreement?
5. After eating the fruit, Adam and Eve hid from God. What does this response tell us about the impact of shame and guilt?

God's Encounter and the Question "Who Told You?"

6. When God asked, "Where are you?" and "Who told you that you were naked?"—what do these questions reveal about His heart and His approach to sin?

7. Why is "Who told you?" such a powerful question in the context of identity and shame?

8. How does God's response to Adam and Eve differ from how we often expect Him to react to failure?

Identity and Listening Today

9. How can you begin to recognize and reject those voices in favor of God's truth about who you are?

10. What does it mean to live from identity rather than for identity? How does this shift affect your relationships, decisions, and spiritual growth?

11. How can you cultivate a habit of listening to God's voice daily—especially in moments of fear, failure, or confusion?