

GOD PLANTED A GARDEN

Genesis 2:4–25

Key Verse: 2:8

1. How does the author introduce this account, and what impression does it give (4–6)? How did the LORD God create man, and what does this mean to us (7)?
2. What else did the LORD God do (8)? What trees did he create in the garden (9)? How is the river described (10–14)? Why did God put the man in the garden (15)? What does this garden tell us about God and about what makes man happy?
3. What was God's command (16–17)? Think about his purpose in this; how should the man respond, and why?
4. What did God say next (18)? What does it mean to be a "fit helper"? How is the search for such a creature described, and what might God's purpose have been in this (19–20)? Describe the creation of the woman (21–22). How did the man receive her (23)?
5. How does the author conclude (24–25)? What can we learn from this about marriage and about God?