

## **EPISODE NO. 4**

### **Gen. 2:15-25**

#### **The Garden of Eden**

15 God, the One Who Is Always Present, took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and to take care of it. 16 God, the One Who Is Always Present, gave him this command: “You are allowed to eat fruit from every tree in the garden — except one. 17 But do NOT eat anything from the tree that causes people to know the difference between right and wrong. You must NEVER eat the fruit of that tree. If you ever do, you will most certainly die!”

18 After this, God, the One Who Is Always Present, said, “It’s not good for the man to be alone. I will make a matching helper for him.” 19 God, the One Who Is Always Present, had shaped from the ground every kind of wild animal and bird of the air. And God brought them to the man to see what the man would name each one of them. Whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. 20 So, the man gave names to all the livestock, to all the birds of the air, and to every wild animal. However, he did not find a matching partner for himself — a human being.

21 So, God, the One Who Is Always Present, caused the man to fall into a very deep sleep. While the man was sleeping, God took out one of the man’s ribs. Then God closed up the man’s body. 22 God, the One Who Is Always Present, used the rib, which He had taken from the man, to construct a woman. Then He brought her to the man.

23 This is what the man said:

“Now she is bone from my bones and flesh from my flesh.

She will be called ‘woman’ because she was taken out of man.”

24 Therefore, a man should leave his father and mother, and he should join his wife. Then the husband and the wife will become as one flesh.

25 The man and the woman were both naked, but they felt no shame.