

The Voice of God

Gen 1:26-31

Gen 2:15-25

Gen 3:8-9

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**Our Father, who is in Heaven, Hallowed
be Your name. Your kingdom come.
Your will be done on earth as it is in
heaven. Give us this day our daily
bread. And forgive us our trespasses as
we forgive those who trespass against
us. And lead us not into temptation but
deliver us from evil. For Yours is the
kingdom, and the power, and the glory.
Forever and ever. Amen**



God's words to us were a blessing.

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. ²⁸ And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

Gen 1:27-28



God follows this with words of purpose & provision.

And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth. ²⁹ And God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit.

You shall have them for food.”

Gen 1:28b-29




God's first words to Adam were only of provision; while his momentary placement was duty without relationship. Gen 2:15-17

then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life... ¹⁵ The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. ¹⁶ & the LORD God... *said*, “You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, ¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

¹⁸ Then the LORD God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a **helper fit** for him.”

Gen 2:7a, 15-18

Now out of the ground the LORD God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them...²⁰ The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him.



²¹ So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh.

Gen 2:19a, 20

Provision / Blessing / Intimacy blowup!

... And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ But the LORD God called to **the man** and said to him, “Where are you?”

Gen 3:8-9

Eternal Tensions at work:

God's Provision:	Me and We
God's Words:	Me and We
God's Presence:	Me and We
God's Promises:	Me and We
God's People:	Me and We