# Y8.4 FALL: Why are people good and bad?

## **Genesis 1**

So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

28 God blessed them and said to them, 'Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.'

29 Then God said, 'I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. 30 And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds in the sky and all the creatures that move along the ground –everything that has the breath of life in it – I give every green plant for food.' And it was so.

### **Genesis 2**

15 The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. 16 And the Lord God commanded the man, 'You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; 17 but **you must not eat from the tree of the** 

knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die.' ...But for Adam no suitable helper was found. 21 So the Lord God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and then closed up the place with flesh. 22 Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

#### **Genesis 3**

6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, **she took some and ate it**. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realised that they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.



Has Eve's blame for the first sin resulted in the inequality and mistreatment of women?

The Fall was inevitable because ...
God set humans up to fail when ...
Human glory is ...

# **Key vocabulary:**

- Image
- Fall
- Original Sin
- Misogyny
- Genesis
- Good Friday
- Easter

# The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.