



January 10, 2021 – Genesis 2:9

Genesis, Chapters Two and Three...#7
The Forbidden Tree

A. A lot of foolish things have been said about the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil

- *The forbidden fruit was an apple*
- *The forbidden fruit was a grape and the sin was making wine*
- *The forbidden fruit was sex*

B. Why did God place a forbidden tree in the Garden of Eden?

- *God was giving them a visible reminder that He was the sovereign ruler of the universe*
- *God was testing their willingness to exercise their volition and obey Him*

C. Thousands of years later God placed a Second Adam on earth and gave Him a test

- *The First Adam was tested in a beautiful garden; he was not hungry, thirsty or in pain. He failed*
- *The Second Adam was tested in a desert; he was hungry, thirsty and in pain. He passed*

Scripture

Genesis 2:9 And the LORD God made all kinds of trees grow out of the ground--trees that were pleasing to the eye and good for food. In the middle of the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Genesis 2:16-17 And the LORD God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; 17but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will surely die."

Genesis 3:1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?"