



“Adam and Eve in the garden.”

Adam and Eve in the Garden - Genesis 2:8-22

“I wonder where the first people lived,” Delbert said, as he and Lello walked along the garden wall.

“Baa. I don’t know but I bet Granny B does,” Lello answered, as she put her big ears up to listen for her. A smile crept across Lello’s face, “Granny B is working in the garden. I hear her singing.” The two friends headed toward the garden gate, excited for Granny B to tell them more about when God created the earth.

“Granny B! Oh, Granny B!” Delbert called. Suddenly, he saw a hand over by the cabbages rise up and wave. Delbert headed that way with Lello close behind.

Granny B smiled and waved again as they approached. Brushing her hands on her apron, she stood up. “Hello, little ones,” she said.

Delbert asked, “Granny B, we want to know where the first people lived. After God created them, did they have a house?”

Granny B laughed softly and said, “Well, Delbert, let’s find the answer in the Bible.” She pulled her Bible from her apron pocket and began to read:

The Lord God had planted a garden in the east. It was in Eden. God made all kinds of trees grow out of the ground. Their fruit was pleasing to look at and good to eat. A river watered the garden. It flowed from Eden. From there it separated into four other rivers.

Then God put Adam, the man He had created, in the Garden of Eden. He put him there to work its ground and to take care of it. God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is just right for him.”

Then God brought all the animals and bird to Adam so he could name them. And the name Adam gave each animal became its name.

But Adam didn't find a helper that was right for him. So God caused him to fall into a deep sleep. While the man was sleeping, the Lord God took out one of his ribs. He closed up the opening that was in his side. Then the Lord God made a woman. And he brought her to him. And Adam called her Eve.

"The garden of Eden sounds beautiful. All those plants and the rivers ..." Lello began.

"Wow ... think of all the animals!" Delbert added. "Adam got to name every one of them!"

"He sure did. God created man and woman and gave them a job. Adam was to care for the garden and Eve was to help him," Granny B explained as she put her Bible away.

"I'm glad God made Eve for Adam. It would be sad to be alone," Lello said as she nuzzled up to Granny B.

"Yes. God knows just how to take care of us. He gives us friends and family so we are not alone," Granny B replied.

"Did God give you the job of taking care of this garden?" Delbert asked, looking at all the vegetables Granny B had planted.

"I guess so. Pops and I love to work in the garden and take care of this farm. Come on. Let's go find Pops and have some ice cold lemonade made from the lemons on our lemon tree!" Granny B said.

They got up from the garden and headed to the farmhouse. As they walked, each one paid close attention to all of God's creation.