

A Sad Story (page 1)

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Genesis 2:4—3:24

In the beginning the earth was beautiful with blue lakes,
clean air, and green lands filled with animals, plants and trees.
Then God made people, and they
were to respect creation and take good care of it.
But many of those people were careless and did not respect God's work.

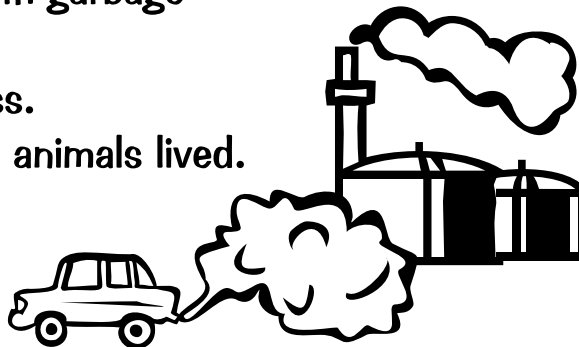
The people put poisons
and other junk in the blue lakes.
These things killed the fish
and other water life.



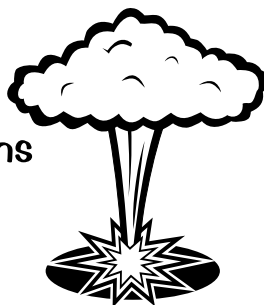
The people littered the lands with garbage
and cut down the trees,
leaving the land bare and lifeless.
This destroyed the place where animals lived.



The people burned poisons
and built cars and factories
that made smoke, which turned
the air dark and thick.



The people made bombs and other weapons
to kill other people.



When people do not respect
God's beautiful creation,
the plants and animals, the sky
and the seas—and the people—all suffer
and are often destroyed forever.



These are all very sad things and
are not part of God's plan.

