"And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; <u>And He Did</u> <u>Eat</u>." Genesis 3:6 KJV

The Command, "Of the Tree of the Knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die," was not uttered in the Eve's presence, but spoken to Adam before God made her from Adam's rib. The Serpent obviously walked and talked, and knew Eve hadn't actually heard God. It clearly says that Eve "saw



that the tree was good for food." The only way she could have "seen," was to watch another eat. The "lust of the eyes" is the second deadly lust. Evil always seems desirable. "The lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life is not of the Father, but is of the world. Every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death." We know that the Serpent was either Satan or possessed by him, because Ez. 28:13 tells us, "Thou hast been in Eden the Garden of God." The passage reveals other things about Satan – another study. Satan interjects doubt by questioning Truth he suspects you do not know. "Hast God said?" Once confirmed, it is quickly followed with a lie. "Thou shalt not surely die!" He subtly sowed a seed of discord between Adam and Eve. He caused her to doubt Adam by preying on her ignorance of God's Word. Destroy trust, and destroy the home. Adam obviously included his own words, because Eve said, "neither shall ye touch it," which was not part of God's Command. Adam had to touch the tree to tend it. Be careful to only claim what God has said as Truth, nothing else. I believe Eve's desire was to be wise like God, Whom she loved and admired. Both she and Adam walked and talked with God. You cannot walk and talk with God without loving Him. The Serpent's handling and eating of the fruit caused doubt and encouraged disobedience. We never disobey until we lust and doubt! Satan attacked trust with doubt to destroy obedience to God's Word. It happens still. Ungodly women are still being used by Satan to tempt men to disobey God. Adam knew the consequences of disobedience, but willfully sinned, because he so loved Eve that he would rather die with her than live without her, so "he did eat." Romeo and Juliet isn't the greatest love story. Read your Bible! Jesus is called "the Last Adam." The difference - Adam died WITH Eve, because he loved her; Christ died FOR men, because He Loves them! Adam did nothing for Eve. Christ Gave All for believers! Death died with Christ's Decree, "It Is Finished!"

> Adam's love for the lovely Eve, Is more than men can dare conceive, He, through his death, availed her naught, But Jesus Christ has us Blood- Bought! –CGP

Never trust your senses or feelings when they contradict God's Word. Feelings should follow Faith, not vice versa. We all died in Adam; we all can Live in Christ! "For ye are dead, and your Life Is Hid With Christ in God. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for My Sake shall find it." Christ resurrects all who call on Him! Don't doubt Truth because of how you feel. Your flesh will lie to you and curse you! "God So Loved the world," He Died To Save men from death's curse and Give them Eternal Life!

" And So It Is Written, 'The first man Adam Was Made a Living soul; the Last Adam Was Made A Quickening Spirit." 1 Corinthians 15:45 KJV