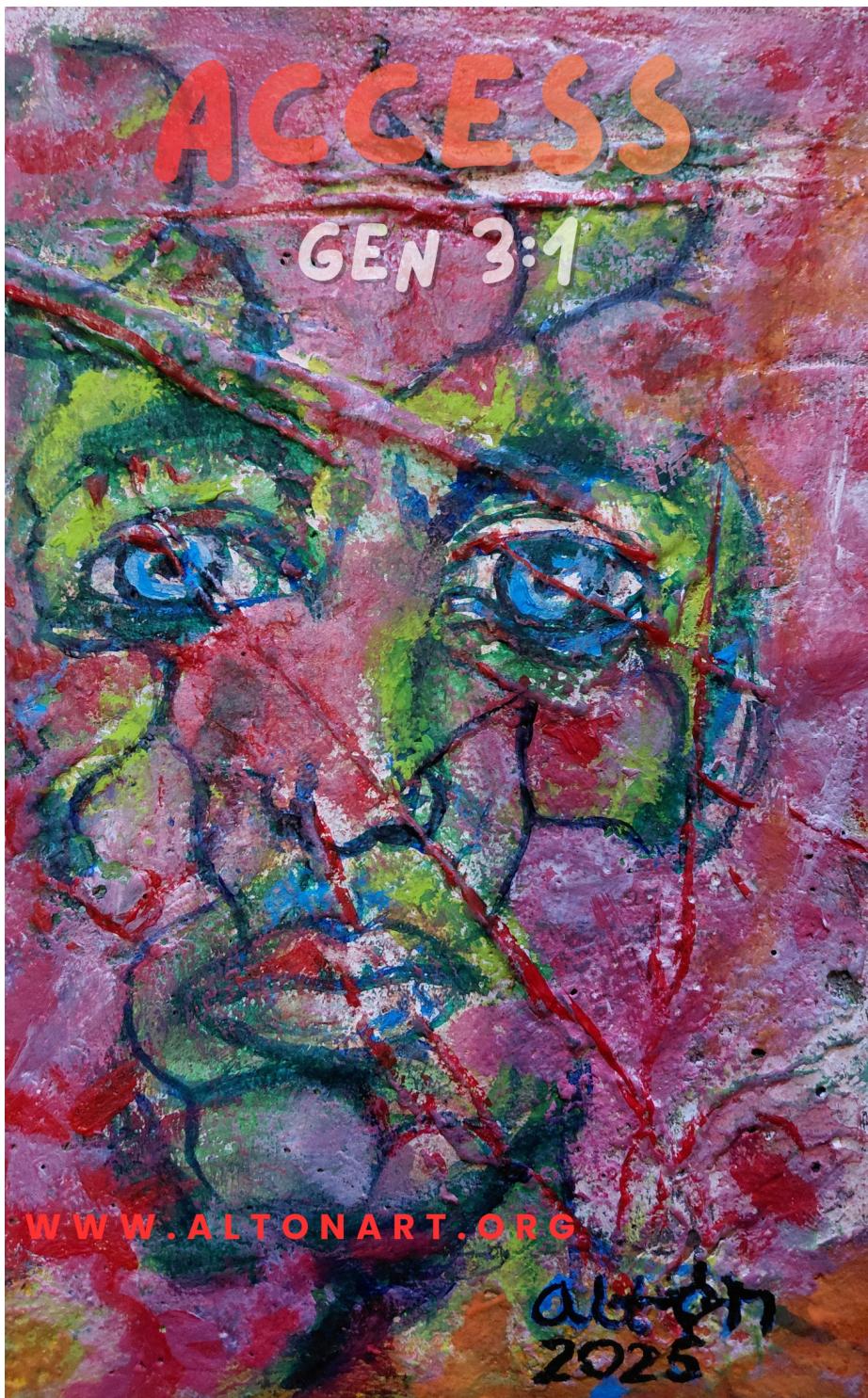


FORBIDDEN FRUIT STUDY NO. 8: ACCESS

"Let's Face It and Fix It!"

*"Now the serpent was **more subtle** than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?" - Genesis 3:1*

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SECTION 1: THE SUMMARY

1. **THE ROOT (The Starting Point)** **Genesis 3:1:** Giving a hostile influence (the serpent) space, time, and attention (access) to sow doubt, instead of immediately rejecting the conversation.
2. **THE SECRET TREASURE (Matthew 6:21)** **Boundary Control:** Treasuring the **sacred security** of your relationships and mind more than the momentary excitement or flattery that comes with dangerous access.
3. **MY TRUE COLOURS (THE MIRROR) (Galatians 5:19)** **Porous Boundaries/Compromise:** A consistent pattern of allowing toxic people, information (media, internet), or destructive thoughts into your inner life, knowing they contradict God's truth.
4. **THE AWAKENING (The "Hello Me!" Statement)** **The Acceptance:** "Hello Me! I see that I am claiming **Compromise** because I am unwilling to enforce clear, secure boundaries that protect the integrity of my heart and home."
5. **STRONGER FAMILY GOAL** **Boundary Discipline:** Protecting the **peace and purity** of your household by vigilantly guarding the access points (eyes, ears, mind) against the enemy's influence. **Stop the Open Door. Start the Guarding.**

SECTION 2: INTERACTIVE STUDY (The Deep Work)

Answer these questions privately to begin your restoration.

1. The Power of Attention

Eve stopped to listen to a known hostile agent. Problems often begin not with the action, but with the granting of attention to the wrong voice.

- **Question 1:** Who or what are you currently granting regular **access** to your attention (a specific negative person, social media feed, or internal voice of doubt) that constantly questions God's boundaries?

2. The Open Gate

The serpent was "subtle"—he didn't arrive with horns, but with curiosity. Giving access often happens through curiosity or a desire to be "open-minded" to ideas we know are dangerous.

- **Question 2:** Where in your life are you maintaining a "subtle" open gate—a boundary you know you should close but keep open because you enjoy the momentary excitement or validation it provides?

3. The Family Access Point

Your inability to set firm boundaries (Porous Boundaries) with your time, your finances, or even toxic family members creates insecurity for your spouse and children.

- **Question 3:** If you continue to give the wrong thing/person/influence **access**, what is the specific piece of your child's innocence or your spouse's peace that is most at risk of being stolen?

4. The "Hello Me!" Awakening

- **Action Step: Write your "Hello Me!" statement here. Be honest.**

"Hello Me! I see that I am claiming **Compromise** because I have been unwilling to enforce clear, secure boundaries that protect the integrity of my heart and home, especially regarding[The specific person/influence]."

SECTION 3: CONCLUSION - Access (Genesis 3:1)

The Exposure: My True Colours: Eve

We identify **Porous Boundaries/Compromise**—the consistent pattern of neglecting boundary discipline, which leaves the inner life open to any toxic or destructive influence that comes along.

The Awakening/Acceptance: Hello Me!

This is your "Hello Me!" moment. It is the awakening where you realize: "**I have been fighting the consequences of sin, but the problem started when I granted the enemy ACCESS to my mind and time.**"

Transforming the 'Compromise' into Family Strength

The "Hello Me!" moment establishes **Boundary Discipline** as a core family strength. By diligently guarding the access points of your home, you model the vigilance required to protect the peace and purity of the entire household.

How to Act Today on Your "Hello Me!" Moment:

1. **Close the Gate:** Identify one specific social media account, negative person, or thought pattern you must block, mute, or cut off today.
2. **Voice the Truth:** Tell a trusted partner: "**I am closing the door on[Specific Access Point] to protect the security of our home.**"
3. **Start the Guarding:** Create one new physical boundary this week (e.g., leaving your phone outside the bedroom, locking down a financial account) to enforce the discipline you just claimed.

"A 'Hello Me!' moment is the end of the lie and the beginning of the legacy."

Notes:

If this Bible Study is a blessing to you, please share it and our info with others...God bless.

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