

Scripture Reading

John 20:14-15 (NIV)

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1) Thinking he was the gardener

Genesis 2:15 (NIV)

¹⁵ The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.

Genesis 3:17b-19 (NIV)

¹⁷ ... "Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat of it all the days of your life. ¹⁸ It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field. ¹⁹ By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return."

2) The garden of Gethsemane

Luke 22:44 (NIV)

⁴⁴ And being in anguish, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground.

Matthew 27:29 (NIV)

²⁹ and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand and knelt in front of him and mocked him. "Hail, king of the Jews!" they said.

3) Events at the garden tomb

Genesis 2:21-23 (NIV)

²¹ So the LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and closed up the place with flesh. ²² Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man. ²³ The man said, "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called 'woman,' for she was taken out of man."

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