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Shorter Catechism

Q13: Did our first parents continue in the state in which they were created?

Answer: Our first parents, being left to the freedom of their own will, fell from the state in which they were created by sinning against God.

"Then the Lord God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent deceived me, and I ate.'"

Genesis 3:13 (ESV)

"See, this alone I found, that God made man upright, but they have sought out many schemes."

Ecclesiastes 7:29 (ESV)

"But I am afraid that as the serpent deceived Eve by his cunning, your thoughts will be led astray from a sincere and pure devotion to Christ."

2 Corinthians 11:3 (ESV)