

"Flowers for Algernon" and Genesis 3: Allusion and Significance (3)

Summary	Parallels	Interesting Ideas and Connections
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Serpent was a clever, cunning creature - Serpent speaks to 1st woman asks about eating from <u>Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil</u>. - 1st woman says no, we'll die. - Serpent says, no you won't - 1st woman decides to eat because fruit looked good and if she ate it she could be like God. - Adam and woman both eat from Tree - Immediately they feel naked, exposed, vulnerable and cover themselves with fig leaves. - God busts 'em. Gets angry. - Adam blames woman, woman blames serpent - God punishes all 3 - Serpent has to crawl on belly like a snake and will be hated by everyone. - 1st woman has to have babies and it will hurt, husband will rule over her. - Adam will have to work for his food and it will be very hard (lots of thistles and thorns and weeding) - Adam names 1st woman Eve - God says you're both going to die. - God makes them some clothes and kicks them out of Paradise for ever to live on their own. 	<p>Adam = CG, offered surgery, wanted to be smarter,</p> <p>Eve= Miss K offers CG the surgery/Eve offers A fruit</p> <p>Tree of Knowledge= surgery, it makes CG smarter, but curses him with consequences, death</p> <p>CG feels naked when realizes friends aren't friends / A feels naked when eyes were open</p> <p>Eating from Tree makes A smarter but hurts relationship with God.</p> <p>Garden of Eden = CG earns \$ for food, lodging, and everything is great (or so he thinks) but he's kicked out of that perfect place.</p> <p>CG dies / A and E both eventually die</p> <p>Drs. S and N play God, but CG, eats from Tree and gets to be God too.</p>	<p>Is this a story about. . .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Growing up from an innocent child to an independent adult who understands both the good and bad in the world. - Rules and consequences. There is a certain order in the world and when you step out of it, there are serious consequences. - Man playing God - Costs and benefits of technology/knowledge/power, - mankind taking control of their world, like Prometheus who steals fire from the Gods, making them more god-like - Consequences of desire - Science vs. Faith - Knowledge vs. Ignorance (and the consequences of both) <p>Do you eat from the Tree or not?</p> <p>Should CG have had the surgery or not?</p>