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My name is human

My name is human, and I live in a garden on the first day of the world. My God makes me flowers and animals, and good things to eat, but I am lonely. I will make another, God says, just like you. Now go to sleep. I close my eyes.

My name is hominid, and I live somewhere in the middle of Africa. Sometimes I am kind, and sometimes I am cruel, and I've never wondered which was right before. My God makes me trees, hung ripe with fruit, so I pick up an apple and take a bite.

My name is Noah, and I live on the bank of a river. My people are afraid of drowning, and around our campfires, we tell the story of The Greatest Flood There Ever Was. My God tells me to make a boat, filled tight with animals, so I pack up my family and wait for the rain.

My name is child, and I live on the brink of nuclear war. I have played at sword-fights with my siblings before, but this is different, this is real, and I am afraid. We watch the storm clouds roll in, and I ask my parents to make it stop, ask my God to make it stop, but the clouds are still coming. I take shelter and wait for the blast.

My name is human, and I live on the Earth. My God has made 7.5 billion people, and still, I am lonely. I look to the skies, and wish for a people not like me. Please, I pray to God, please send me another savior. Please, I pray, please save me from myself.

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