

**Basic Plot Outline for Milton's *Paradise Lost***

<u>Book</u>	<u>Scene</u>	<u>Events</u>
I	Hell	Epic opening Satan, Beelzebub—call to troops
II	Hell	Building of Pandemonium Council of Hell: Satan, Beelzebub, Moloch, Mammon, Belial; decision about next rebellion Satan's journey; meeting with Sin and Death; Chaos
III	Heaven	Council of Heaven Eternal Father, Son, discussion of free will; Son's offer
	Earth	Satan's arrival from Hell
IV	Paradise	Satan in Eden, his troubled conscience, his resolve Adam and Eve in bliss Guard of angels warned by Uriel Eve's dream Confrontation between Satan and Gabriel
V	Paradise	Adam and Eve together, visit from Raphael Raphael's description of war in Heaven and fall of Satan
VI	Paradise	Raphael's further narrative of war and Satan's fall
VII	Paradise	Raphael's story of Creation and history of the world
VIII	Paradise	Raphael's narrative about creation of Adam and Eve His reminder about forbidden tree (Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil) His departure; Adam and Eve alone
IX	Paradise	Satan in disguise as serpent in Tree Satan's admiration of Eve; his temptation of her Eve's sin Revolt of Nature Adam's sin Shame, guilt, mutual recriminations

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X	Heaven	Son's departure for Earth to judge Adam and Eve
	Paradise	Sin and Death's arrival on Earth
	Hell	Satan's departure from Paradise (now called merely Earth) for Hell, delighted with his success
	Heaven	Chorus's song of praise for Eternal Father's order, judgment, mercy
	Earth	Adam's lamentation; reconciliation of Adam and Eve Adam and Eve's resolve to confess and repent
XI	Earth	Adam and Eve's prayers
	Heaven	Son's intercession for Adam and Eve so they can hear Eternal Father respond to their prayers
	Earth	Eternal Father's judgment for Adam and Eve to hear and feel unworthy of though heartened  Michael's talk with Adam and Eve about their future
XII	Earth	Adam with Michael to learn further history of the world Savior in Son revealed
		Adam and Eve's departure from the garden to seek a new home