

## SIN & DEATH COME INTO GOD'S PERFECT WORLD

### Satan Tempts the Woman to Disobey God (Review)

Genesis 2:16-17 & 3:1-6

2:16 God commanded the man, 17 "You must not eat fruit from the *Tree of Knowing Good & Evil*, or you will certainly die." 3:1 Then Satan came to the woman in the form of a snake. 4 And Satan said to the woman, "You will not die. 5 God knows that the tree is good – God knows that you will become wise – your eyes will be opened. You will be like God – you will know good and evil!" 6 The woman took the fruit – and she ate it. Her husband was with her. So she gave some fruit to her husband – and he ate it.

### The Results of Sin

Genesis 3:7-24 & 5:4-5

1st man = Adam. 1st woman = Eve.

3:7 Then Adam's and Eve's eyes were opened – and they realized: We are naked! 8 Then Adam and Eve heard a sound – they heard God walking in the garden. And they hid from God.

9 But God called to the man, "Where are you?" 10 Adam answered God, "I heard you in the garden. And I was afraid – I was afraid because I am naked. So I hid." 11 God asked Adam, "Who said to you: 'You are naked'? Did you eat from the *Tree of Knowing Good & Evil*? I told you: 'Do not eat from that tree.'"

12 Adam said to God, "The woman – the woman you gave me – she gave me the fruit. And I ate it." 13 Then God said to Eve, "What bad thing did you do?" Eve said, "The snake lied to me. And I ate it."

14 Then God said to the snake, "You are cursed. You will crawl on your stomach – and you will always eat dust. 15 Satan, I will make you and the woman enemies – and I will make your descendants s and the woman's descendants s enemies. The woman's descendant t will smash your head – but you will only smash his heel."

16 God said to Eve, "When you give birth to children, it will become very painful – I will make it much more painful. And you will desire your husband – and he will rule over you.

17 God said to Adam, "I said: 'Do not eat' – but you listened to your wife. So I curse the ground – I curse the ground because you did not listen to me. So, your work will be painful all your life – growing food from the ground will be painful work. 18 The ground will grow thorns for you. And green plants will be your food.

19 "You will work hard to get your food. Then you will die and return to the ground – because you are made of dirt. You are dirt, and you will return to dirt."

21 Adam and Eve were naked, so God made clothes for them – he made clothes from animal skins.

22Then God said, “Now the man is like us – now he knows good and evil. We must not let the man live forever. We must not let Adam eat fruit from the *Tree of Life* – if he eats fruit from the Tree of Life, he will live forever.

23So God kicked Adam out of the *Garden of Eden* – and God made Adam work the ground.

24Then God guarded the way to the *Tree of Life* – God put special angels and a spinning sword of fire to guard the way to the *Tree of Life*.

Genesis 2:22(When) God made the woman, 23Adam said, “She will be called ‘woman,’ because she came from ‘man.’” Genesis 3:20(Now) Adam named his wife *Eve* – because she was the mother of all people. (“Eve” means: “living” or “give life.”)

Genesis 5:4Adam had sons and daughters. 5And then he died.

## CONTENT QUESTIONS

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

**Adam & Eve's Relationship to Creator God**

- Who said, "Do not eat"? (Genesis 2:16-17)

So who did Adam and Eve betray?

Did Adam & Eve only break a rule? Or did Adam & Eve break a relationship?

- Who did Adam listen to? (Genesis 3:6)

Should we listen to Creator God first?

- What did Adam and Eve deserve? (2:17) What should immediately happen to them?

Why must they die?

Because...

***The penalty for sin is death.***

Romans 6:23

**Creator God's Kindness**

- But what did God ask Adam? (3:9)

God knows everything! So did God know where Adam & Eve were hiding?

Why do you think God asked this question?

- God asked: "Where are you?" on page 3 or 4 of the Bible.  
(The Japanese translation of the Bible is about 2000 pages long –  
and the English translation is about 1000 pages long!)

What does God's question tell us about God's plan?

What is God's plan in the rest of the Bible?

Does God want to destroy us? Or does God want to save us?

- Did God ask Satan questions? (verse 14)

Why not?

***Jesus, God's Son, did not come to help (bad) angels, but Jesus came to help people.***

Hebrews 2:16

Why do you think God chose to save us and not to save bad angels?

Who does God love?

***God is your Father, your Creator, who made you.***

Deuteronomy 32:6

***We are God's children.***

Acts 17: 28

***God made people in his image.***

Genesis 1:27

## Hope for Adam & Eve

- Adam & Eve deserved death. But what are 3 signs of hope?

1. What will the woman have? (verse 15 and 16)

*Will life continue?*

2. Who will defeat Satan? (verse 15)

*Who do you think this descendant is? Who is our only hope to defeat Satan?*

3. What did God do for Adam & Eve's shame? (verse 21)

*Was God kind to them? Did God help them?*

What died to cover Adam & Eve's shame? (verse 21)

*This is very important: Something must always die to cover sin.*

***The penalty for sin is death.***

Romans 6:23

## Consequences of Sin

- What did Adam & Eve lose because of their sin?

1. How did Adam feel about himself? How did Eve feel about herself? (3:7-8, 10)  
Did they feel good about themselves?

2. What happened to Adam & Eve's relationship with each other? (3:12)

*Was this the first time Adam criticized Eve? What do you think?  
Do you think Eve was shocked when Adam blamed her?*

3. What happened to Adam & Eve's relationship with God? (3:8, 10, 23-24)

4. What happened to Adam's work? (3:17-18)

5. What will be Adam & Eve's shameful end? (3:19 & 5:5)

***God said: "You will certainly die."***

Genesis 1:16

***God said, "You are made of dirt, so you will return to dirt."***

Genesis 3:17, 19

## Jesus & the *Tree of Life* versus Sin & Death

- Why did God kick Adam & Eve out of the Garden of Eden? (3:22)

- If Adam & Eve ate from the Tree of Life, what would happen? (3:22, 24)

Do you think it is good for sinners to live forever?

[Sinner = a person who thinks bad thing, says bad things, does bad things]

- Why was the *Tree of Life* very important? (3:22)

Do we have life in ourselves? Can we give ourselves life?

Who gives us life?

***Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life."***

John 11:25-26

***Do you believe in Jesus, God's Son? Then you have eternal life! Do you not believe in Jesus, God's Son? Then you do not have eternal life – because God is still angry with you.***

John 3:36

When God made the world everything was perfect. There was no sin and death.

***God looked at everything he made – and it was very good!*** Genesis 1:31

So, do you think that death is natural? Is sin natural?

Sin and death are our great enemies – sin and death are not natural.

***Everyone dies, because everyone sins.***

Romans 5:12

***The last enemy to be destroyed is death.***

I Corinthians 15:26

***Death will be thrown into the Lake of Fire.***

Revelation 20:14

***The Tree of Life [will stand on the New Earth].***

Revelation 22:2

This will happen on the last pages of the Bible.

What does God want to do for us between page 3 and the last page?

What do you think?