

Digging Deeper: “Discovery” Bible Study

50 Great Passages from the Bible

Genesis 3:1 – 24

Additional Notes

The Key Doctrinal Truth Presented in This Passage

How sin entered the world – Romans 5:12

“Therefore, sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned.”

What word is used to describe the character of the “serpent” in this passage? Do you think it an appropriate to describe “Satan?” Why?

How did the serpent, Satan, deceive Eve? How does he go about deceiving us?

1. The “Crafty” Serpent – A Profile in Deception (3:1-5)

- ✓ By using _____ – by crafting his appeal as a pursuit of _____
- ✓ By _____ about God’s Word
- ✓ Then by direct _____ of God’s Word
- ✓ By questioning God’s _____

How do you think the story of deception and temptation that lead to sin in Genesis 3 corresponds to James 1:13-19?

2. Adam and Eve Fall Into Sin – “Excuse and Consequences” (3:6-19)

- ✓ Rebellion loves _____! (vs. 6)
- ✓ _____ is displaced by _____! (vss. 7-8, 10-11)
- ✓ In love, God _____ and _____ (vs. 9)
- ✓ Excuses! Excuses! Excuses! (vss.12-13)
 - “The _____ you gave me...”
 - “The _____ deceived me...”

What are some of the excuses we offer for our sin?

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Based upon Romans 5:12-21, what does it appear the impact of Adam and Eve's rebellion and sin is upon us all?

From the passage itself what are some of the long-lasting results of sin upon us all?

- Because of the serpent – vss.14-15...
- Because of the woman (Eve) – vs. 16...
- Because of the man (Adam) – vss. 17-19 ...

What did God do to deal with Adam and Eve's disobedience (and the serpent's deception)?

3. God Steps in and Provides – A Glimmer of Hope

(3:20-24)

- ✓ Adam's expression of _____ in naming his wife (vs. 20)
- ✓ God's gracious provision: _____ for the shame and guilt of Adam and Eve (vs. 21)
- ✓ Even their _____ can be viewed as an expression of Divine love and mercy (vss. 22-24, cp. Hebrews 12:7-11)

Questions for Application and Response...

- ✓ What have you learned about Satan from this study?
- ✓ What have you learned about temptation from this study?
- ✓ What have you learned about God (and His provision) from this study?
- ✓ What do you sense God is saying to you about overcoming temptation and sin as a result of this study?