

Long Story Short, Journey Through the Old Testament

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Message 7: Adam and Eve Disobey God

Review:

Old Testament points to Jesus

God created us to live with Him in a perfect relationship

God gave us a choice (not robots) to obey or disobey Him

Adam and Eve chose to disobey- When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. Genesis 3:6

Who is the “serpent” in Genesis 3? Satan.

How does Satan end up on earth tempting humans:

Revelation 12:7-12

Isaiah 14:12-15

Michael (Lucifer) thought he was better than God, thought he deserved glory, he was selfish!

Temptation to follow anything but our Creator (God) and trust Him is real and deadly and here is how it works:

But each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed. Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death. James 1:14-15

1) **Doubt of what God or God’s Word says**

“Once one begins to deny God’s word or to question his sovereign goodness he is really setting himself up as his own God. He is

deciding for himself the standards of truth and righteousness” (Genesis Record, Henry Morris).

“The first suggestion that God could be questioned was accompanied by an inference that God was not quite as good and loving as they had thought (Morris)!

2) **Believing half truths**

“You will not certainly die,” the serpent said to the woman. “For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil” Genesis 3:4-5

“If one studies each situation closely enough, he will find that sin always begins by questioning either the Word of God or the goodness of God, or both” (Morris)!

3) **Appealing in many ways- verse 6**

Good for food

Pleasing to the eye

Desirable for gaining wisdom

“Instead of believing and obeying God’s word Eve questioned, doubted, then modified and finally rejected God’s word” (Morris).

When God found Adam and Eve they were covered, how did they know they were naked? Sin. But this covering was a foreshadowing of Jesus. When we sin we feel guilty and know we did something wrong and that sin must be covered:

And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel. Genesis 3:15

Offspring always man, here woman, who? Jesus, Genesis 3:15 is about Jesus!

