

Sermon Notes
Genesis 3:1-7

This week we discussed the most tragic passage in God's Word. Genesis chapter 3 highlights the fall of mankind by showing how Adam and Eve listened to the voice of satan rather than being obedient to LORD God. Our LORD God created a perfect world to be inhabited by human beings who would bear His image; however, when sin entered the world everything changed. Our relationship with God and others is now contaminated by sin causing all sorts of problems including the fact that we will all die. While this story is painful and tragic it is imperative that we study and learn from this story so that we can learn the Gospel and grow in Christ.

Here are some notes to review from this week's sermon...

The Fall of Mankind
Genesis 3:1-7

The strategy of satan

The seriousness of the situation

The severity of sin

The satisfaction of our Savior

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week you can now watch it [here](#). After watching, please use the following questions in your BRAVE groups or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group now is a great time to get involved. Please email bravechurch.online/connect/group and we will get you connected with a community that will work for you.

Questions

1. If satan was created very good (Genesis 1:31) why did he sin against God (see Isaiah 14, Ezekiel 28)? Why was satan's sin not the same as when Adam and Eve sinned? Why does satan choose to tempt human beings to sin?
2. What is satan's main purpose (see John 10:10)? Should we pray for him?
3. God said to Adam that the day you eat of the fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you will surely die. The enemy said the opposite. The Scripture tells us that Adam lived 930 years. So, who was telling the truth? How do you know?

4. How aware should we be that we have an enemy (see 1 Peter 5:8)? In John 8:44 what was Jesus Christ's description of satan? What is the significance of the words "from the beginning" when Jesus spoke of satan?
5. How does the enemy masquerade as an angel of light? What makes satan's ideas attractive? Why is he also referred to as the accuser of the brethren? How has satan enticed you into sin only to then blame you for what he invited you to do?
6. What is the significance of God creating us in His image? Who are human beings called to have dominion over? How could Adam and Eve have responded to the temptation through the snake?
7. How have you experienced satan attempting to appeal to your physical appetites? Personal protection? Power and Glory? How was Jesus Christ different in His response to satan than any other person who has ever lived? What can we learn from Him?
8. Why does the Bible tell us that it was not Adam who was deceived but Eve who was deceived if indeed both of them sinned? What does Eve's deception tell us about Adam's willingness to follow through on God's command and warning? How is the passivity of men still prevalent today spiritually? Why do men need to become the spiritual leaders? How has fatherlessness (either absentee or passivity) been a major contributor to the problems in the world today?
9. How did Adam and Eve respond once they had both eaten and their eyes were opened? How is hiding and isolation a result of sin? How does God want His Church to become authentic and vulnerable and real? How sad is this story as you see it repeated over and over?
10. Why would God even make a world like this? Why even have a tree of the knowledge of good and evil? Should we blame God for the problems in this world? Why or why not?
11. God could have created no world, an immoral world, a world without choice or a moral world with choice. Since only the last choice allows for love what does this tell you about our God?
12. How does God ultimately show love for the world He created (see John 3:16)? How amazing is this story?