

Consider It

What do we learn about the Serpent from Scripture?

- Genesis 3:1
- Isaiah 14:12-14
- John 8:44
- Revelation 12:9

How does the serpent's question (3:1) illustrate the "crafty" nature of tempter? What is the purpose of his question?

What lie did the serpent offer woman (3:4)?

How did Satan appeal to the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life (3:5; 1 John 2:16)?

What lies do Christ-followers tend accept today?

What wrong beliefs do we attribute to God?

How did man and woman add to their troubles by failing to trust God (3:6-8)?

Live It

What doubts do you have about God or His word?

What lies of the serpent feed your doubts?

We add to our trouble when we fail to trust God. How has your lack of faith added to your troubles?

What do you need to confess as a sin of unbelief?

Broken! Made New!

Who's to Blame?

Genesis 3:1-13

Sunday, March 22, 2020

Sermon Question

Who's to Blame?

Pointing the Finger at Each Other

Pointing the Finger at the Serpent

Pointing the Finger at God

Taking Personal Responsibility

Broken! Made New! Discussion Guide A Study of Genesis 3:1-13

Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden?'"² The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden,³ but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.'⁴ "You will not certainly die," the serpent said to the woman.⁵ "For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."⁶ 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.⁷ Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.⁸ Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden.⁹ But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?"¹⁰ He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid."¹¹ And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?"¹² The man said, "The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it."¹³ Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

Genesis 3:1–13 (NIV)

Open It

Did you ever doubt the wisdom of your parent's words? Did you ever question their motivations?

Why is it good for parents to say "No" or "Don't" to their children?