



Family Conversation Guide

WEEK 3

March Theme:

GOD'S GOT THIS!

Monthly Memory Verse:

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the Lord God had made. **Genesis 3:1**

Monthly Challenge Verse:

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

Romans 8:28



Week of March 13

Main Idea: God's Gives Us Grace.

Life Application: Trust that God loves us no matter what.



Parents, use The Action Bible as you lead your kids, and also use your own Bible to read through some of the verses that will help them understand. This week, please prepare for discussion by listening to the sermon together and reading **Genesis 3:20-24**. Have your kids turn to page 23 in The Action Bible to review.

Review from last week:

What happened after Adam and Eve ate the fruit from the tree of knowledge of good and evil? (They hid but God found them. God asked what they had done. Adam blamed Eve and Eve said the serpent had tricked her. God then told Adam and Eve as well as the serpent what the consequences of their sin would be.)

- 1. Read verse 20. Why did Adam call his wife's name Eve? (She was the mother of all people who would live on the earth—especially the coming of Jesus prophesied in verse 15)
- 2. After God told Adam and Eve the consequences of their sin (verses 14-19) He did something to show His grace toward them. What was it? (Read verse 21- God made garments for them to cover their nakedness) Of what were the garments made? (The skin of animals—perhaps a lambskin, thus foretelling Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world John 1:29)
- 3. Why do you think God helped Adam and Eve by giving them something to wear? (God loved Adam and Eve even though they had disobeyed Him, and He wanted to give them what they needed.) Adam and Eve had sinned against God. Did they deserve for Him to be kind to them? (No, but He loved them anyway) It's important for us to know that God gives us grace, even/especially when we don't deserve it.
- 4. In verses 22, 23 God sent Adam and Eve out of the Garden of Eden. Why did He do that? (To keep them from eating from the tree of life- if they ate from that tree they would live forever yet constantly be in a state of dying, which would be a terrible way to live)
- 5. In verse 23, what was man supposed to do after God sent him out of the garden? (He would have to work the ground to be able to eat- it would not be provided for him as it was in the garden)
- 6. God made sure that Adam and Eve could never return to the Garden of Eden. Read verse 24- how did He do this? (At the entrance to the garden of Eden he placed a cherubim with a flaming sword to guard the tree of life.)
- 7. **Have you ever sinned?** Read Romans 3:23. We all have sinned, every one of us, ever since the first sin committed by Adam and Eve. But, we need to know that we can trust

God to love us, no matter what. Even though there may be consequences, we can trust that God can make all things good for those who love Him. **Every day is new!**

Digging Deeper (For older kids or those who want to know more)

- In verse 21, God provided the skin of animals for Adam and Eve to cover Adam and Eve's nakedness. How would he get the skin of the animal for this? (The animal would be killed, its blood would be shed) When we sin, God provides a covering for those who love Him- we are covered by the blood of the One who came to earth to die for us. Who was this? (Jesus).
- 2. Shed blood is necessary for the remission/forgiveness of our sin (Hebrews 9:22). In the Old Testament, it's the blood of animals. In the New Testament, it's the blood of God's Son, Jesus. All life needs blood. Our new life in Jesus needs his blood in us, giving us eternal life.
- 3. Read 1 John 1:7- "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin."

What can we do when we sin? (Tell God we are sorry and turn from our sin, then ask Jesus to cleanse us of our sins. And to always walk in the light- letting God guide us and giving light to the world; having fellowship with other believers)

Pray:

God, Thank You for giving us grace and showing us that You love us, no matter what. Help us to trust that even when we sin, You will love us and we can be forgiven because Jesus came to die for our sins. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Family Challenge:

Choose one or more challenge activities to do together this week.

1.Sit in a dark room together. **Give each person a small candle. Say:** The Bible says that we need to be in the light as Jesus is in the light. **How can we do that?** Examples: read the Bible, pray, be in fellowship with other believers, be kind to others, help people in need, tell others about Jesus, etc.

As each person gives a way we can be in the light, have them light their candles until all have done so and the room is filled with light.

2. Unplug a lamp as you all sit in a dark room together. Ask: Why did the light go out? (Because the lamp was not plugged in) How can we continue to have the light

and power that comes from Jesus? How can we stay "plugged in" to our power source? (By staying close to Jesus)

3. Ask each person to write down one thing they have done that was wrong. How did it make them feel? Were they ashamed, guilty, sorry? Did they try to hide as Adam and Eve did? How can we be forgiven? (By telling God we are sorry and asking for forgiveness. Also, we need to repent- and try not to do it again. We need to trust God to give us grace.)

After discussion, ask everyone to hold up the paper, then crumple up the paper with their sin written on it. **They can then toss the papers into a trash can or the fireplace. Say:** "God wants to forgive us, and He also doesn't want us to walk around feeling ashamed and guilty. Give your sins to Jesus, and be forgiven, then turn away from the wrong things you have done. You can have a fresh start every day!"