

What Satan Says to the Saint, and What Christ Says to the Sinner

March 12, 2023 Nicholas Fain



Announcements

Welcome to Center Point Church! We are glad you are here and would love to get to know you better. We hope you find the hope in Jesus that has changed so many of us.

We are excited that Nicholas Fain, our church planting apprentice, will be bringing us God's Word. We can't wait to see how God is going to use him today and in the next several months.

If you have any questions about today's sermon or to learn more about Center Point Church, please reach out to Pastor Tyler at Tyler.Wittmer@cpcnky.com

Worship Songs

I Don't Wanna Go Simple Gospel Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace) Run To the Father Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Sermon Notes

Genesis 3:1-9 ¹ Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden'?"² And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, ³ but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'"⁴ But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. ⁵ For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate.⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

⁸ And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?"

1. Satan to the first Saints (vs. 1-5)

- a. His nature
- b. His First Question
- c. His Offer

2. The Savior to the Sinner "Where are you?" (vs. 9)

- a. He Seeks after us.
- b. So "Where are you?" What does this question mean?
- c. More than often when I hear the words "Where are you?" I respond with:

"But Lord you don't know how much sin I've committed!" "I do, I bore them all on the cross." (1 Pet 2:24)

"But Lord why let me sin if you loved me?" "Because I want you to see if you really love me." (Duet 13:1-3)

"But Lord I don't think I love you!" "Well then I will give you a new heart." (Ezek 36:27) "But Lord I can't find the faith to believe in you!" "I will give you faith, For I am the author and perfector of it. Just ask" (Heb 12:2)

"But Lord, I can't see you!" "I will give you eyes to see and hears to hear me" (Eph 1:18)

"Lord what if I'm faithless." "Then I will remain faithful." (2 Tim 2:13) "But Lord I'm so weak." "Don't worry, a bruise reed I will not crush." (Isa 42:3)

"But Lord I'm so sick with sin!" "With my stripes you are healed." (Isa 53:5)

"But Lord do you really love me?" "No greater love than this, that a man should lay down his life for his friend. And I laid it down for those who hated me. For you." (John 15:13)

"But Lord I have so much work on myself to do before I answer your call" When I died for your sins, I said "It is finished." (John 19:30)

"Lord why do you ask me "Where am I" if you already know?" "I ask to let you understand that even in your sinful fallen state, I pursue you. I ask So that you will see how much I love you" (Romans 5:8)

3. Why do we respond this way?

Center Point Church Leadership

Tyler Wittmer – Elder, Lead Pastor Tyler.Wittmer@cpcnky.com

Bill Sherrard – Elder, Associate Pastor Wsherrard75@gmail.com

Eric Hogarth – Elder Eric.Hogarth@cpcnky.com L J Todd – Elder Joshuatodd82@gmail.com

Darren Varnado – Elder Darrenvarnado@gmail.com

Tim Wright – Elder Timwright1@fuse.net

Sydney Gohs – Director of Family Life Sydney.Gohs@cpcnky.com