

What is sin?

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Discipleship basics 1

What to expect

- Goals for this discipleship class
 - Set a basic foundation that you can build off of for the rest of your life
 - This is not going to be controversial... (maybe)
 - Either the Bible says so or it does...
 - Not going to talk about anything complicated
 - People like to talk about difference rather than unity when its not important
 - *Inspire you to read the Bible*
- How it's going to run
 - Going to go over a topic
 - Then open up a Q&A
 - If I don't make sense, ask a question
 - If the question is a "what if" or "deep", wait till the Q&A
 - I should have some cards you can write question on

Projection

1. What is sin
 - a. The “Five I Will’s”
 - b. The curse on Creation
 - c. What is God’s plan
 2. What is the Law
 3. Why Jesus
 4. What changes
 5. What do I do?
 6. What’s next?
 7. Epic Q&A?
- We will not cover everything
 - This will just be an overview of several topics
 - You will learn and build off these topics for the rest of your life

The Dominion of man

26 Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the livestock, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

27 So God created man in His own image;

in the image of God He created him;

male and female He created them.

28 God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and replenish the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

29 Then God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed which is on the face of all the earth and every tree which has fruit yielding seed. It shall be food for you.

Genesis 1:26-27 (MEV)

- Man is special in that Man has the image of God
- Man was intended to have ownership of the earth

So What's the problem?

12 How are you fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, you who weaken the nations!

13 For you have said in your heart,

“I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God;

I will sit also on the mount of the congregation, in the recesses of the north;

14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.”

Isaiah 14:12-15 (MEV)

What's the problem

11 Moreover the word of the Lord came to me, saying: 12 Son of man, take up a lamentation over the king of Tyre and say to him, Thus says the Lord God: You had the seal of perfection, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty.

13 You were in Eden, the garden of God; every precious stone was your covering: the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold. The workmanship of your settings and sockets was in you; on the day that you were created, they were prepared.

14 You were the anointed cherub that covers, and I set you there; you were upon the holy mountain of God; you walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

15 You were perfect in your ways from the day that you were created, until iniquity was found in you.

What's the problem

16 By the multitude of your merchandise, you were filled with violence in your midst, and you sinned; therefore I have cast you as profane out of the mountain of God; and I have destroyed you, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.

17 Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; you have corrupted your wisdom by reason of your brightness; I cast you to the ground, I lay you before kings, that they may see you.

18 You have defiled your sanctuaries by the multitude of your iniquities, by the iniquity of your trade; therefore I have brought fire out from your midst; it has devoured you, and I have turned you to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all those who see you.

19 All those who know you among the people are astonished at you; you are a terror, and you shall cease to be forever.

The Problem started in Heaven

- Satan (has several names) made a decision to rebel against God
 - Satan is not on the same level as God
 - Satan is not “the king of hell”
 - Man does not know everything and has to learn
 - Satan knew what is was doing was wrong and did it anyway
 - What did he do?

Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said to the woman, “Has God said, ‘You shall not eat of any tree of the garden?’”

Was it Satan?

9 The great dragon was cast out, that ancient serpent called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world. He was cast down to the earth, and his angels were cast down with him.

2 He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years.

Revelation 12:9, 20:2

- Satan was definitely involved, doesn't matter how
 - Did Satan shapeshift?
 - Did Satan take over the body or influence the Serpent?
 - Satan was the main cause of what happened
 - Angels were created before the world began Job 2:1, 38:4-7

What happened

1 Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said to the woman, “Has God said, ‘You shall not eat of any tree of the garden?’”

2 And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit from the trees of the garden; 3 but from the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, ‘You will not eat of it, nor will you touch it, or else you will die.’ ”

4 Then the serpent said to the woman, “You surely will not die! 5 For God knows that on the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

6 When the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasing to the eyes and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she gave to her husband with her, and he ate. 7 Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. So they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

Gen 3:1-6 (MEV)

The Deception

- Satan asked what she knows
- Even then add a detailed “don’t touch it,” Gen 2:17
- Satan then directly goes against what God says
 - He downplays the consequence of sin
 - He claims that she is missing something
 - He claims that you can be God
- What does Eve do?
 - She rationalizing that it has utility (food)
 - She rationalized personal gain (make one wise)
 - She started liking the appearing of the fruit
 - She touched it and saw it didn’t kill her right away
 - She started to believe that there was something better outside of God