### THE CHURCH IN MADISON - WORSHIP & MINISTRY MEETING Fall 2023

## **Basic Lessons on Life**

### Satan's Plot to Spoil Man 9/24/2023

#### I. Satan being God's adversary.

*Matt.* 13:24-25 The kingdom of the heavens has become like a man sowing good seed in his field. But while the men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares in the midst of the wheat and went away.

#### II. Hiding himself in the subtle serpent.

Gen. 3:1a Now the serpent was more crafty than any other animal of the field that Jehovah God had made.

**2 Cor 11:3** But I fear lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, your thoughts would be corrupted from the simplicity and the purity toward Christ.

**Rev. 12:3**, **9** And another sign was seen in heaven; and behold, there was a great red dragon...And the great dragon was cast down, the ancient serpent, he who is called the Devil and Satan, he who deceives the whole inhabited earth.

#### III. Preventing God by contacting man earlier.

#### IV. Approaching the woman by touching her mind.

Gen. 3:1b And he [the serpent] said to the woman, Did God really say, You shall not eat of any tree of the garden?

#### V. Causing the human emotion to dislike God.

*Gen. 3:2-5* And the woman said to the serpent, Of the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat; But of the fruit of the tree which is in the middle of the garden, God has said, You shall not eat of it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die. And the serpent said to the woman, You shall not surely die! For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will become like God, knowing good and evil.

#### VI. Seducing the human will to choose the tree of knowledge.

*Gen.* 3:6 And 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 oneself wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband with her, and he ate.

# VII. Contaminating the entire human soul, and entering into the human body to be the evil in man's flesh.

**Rom. 7:17-18a** Now then it is no longer I that work it out but sin that dwells in me. For I know that in me, that is, in my flesh, nothing good dwells.

**Rom.** 7:22-23 For I delight in the law of God according to the inner man, but I see a different law in my members, warring against the law of my mind and making me a captive to the law of sin which is in my members.

**Eph. 2:3** Among whom we also all conducted ourselves once in the lusts of our flesh, doing the desires of the flesh and of the thoughts, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest.

#### VIII. Becoming one with man and alienating man from God by deadening man's spirit.

**Eph. 2:1**, 12 And you, though dead in your offenses and sins,...you were at that time apart from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of the promise, having no hope and without God in the world.

**Eph. 4:17-18** This therefore I say and testify in the Lord, that you no longer walk as the Gentiles also walk in the vanity of their mind, being darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance which is in them, because of the hardness of their heart.

#### IX. Usurping man to frustrate God from fulfilling His purpose.

## **Christian Students at UW-Madison**

Weekly opportunities for fellowship and Christian community

- Mon. and Thurs. night Dorm Bible Studies
  - Mon. 7pm @ Ogg room 1227
  - o Thurs. 7pm @ Dejope room 1110
- Throughout the week appointments on campus (lunch, Bible-reading, sports, etc.)
- Wed. night Revive (Students' Large Group Meeting) 7:30pm @ 1900 University
- Friday night Home meetings in the community
- Lord's Day Worship & Ministry Meeting of the church in Madison

#### Resources

- Christian Students at UW-Madison App: **csatuw**. <u>Now available in App Store!</u> Coming any day to Android.
- Bible Reading Challenge We started Matthew this week! 1 chapter/day, 6 days/week.
  - Work together to read the Bible consistently and consecutively for a prize at the end of the semester
  - o Follow our schedule, or set your own goal and try to read a little bit each day.

#### Fall 2023 Events

- Fall College Conference with U of M!
  - Oct. 21-22, Arrowhead Bible Camp (North of Eau Claire). \$55/student.
- Pre-Thanksgiving Dinner and Gospel Meeting
  - Weekend before Thanksgiving. Details TBA

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