

Life Group  
Fallen From God  
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**Icebreaker**

What is the worst social faux pas you have ever witnessed? —OR—

What is an example you have seen where pride caused someone to sin? —OR—

Have you ever seen anyone banned from some location for their behavior? What did they do that was so bad?

**Step 1 - GET REAL**

What are you thankful for from the past week?

What struggles did you face?

What can you share from your personal Bible reading? (other than the designated reading)

Where did you see God in your daily life?

**Step 2: GET FED**

**Scripture**

**Genesis 3:8-19 (ESV)** <sup>8</sup> 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. <sup>9</sup> But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup> And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup> He said, "**Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?**" <sup>12</sup> The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup> Then the LORD God said to the woman, "**What is this that you have done?**" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate." <sup>14</sup> The LORD God said to the serpent, "**Because you have done this, cursed are you** above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. <sup>15</sup> I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel." <sup>16</sup> **To the woman he said,** "I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you." <sup>17</sup> **And to Adam he said,** "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, 'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life; <sup>18</sup> thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. <sup>19</sup> By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

**1 Peter 5:8-9 (ESV)** <sup>8</sup> Be sober-minded; be watchful. **Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.** <sup>9</sup> Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world.

**Romans 3:23 (ESV)** <sup>23</sup> for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

**Romans 5:12-21 (ESV)** <sup>12</sup> Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— <sup>13</sup> for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. <sup>14</sup> Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come. <sup>15</sup> But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. <sup>16</sup> And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. <sup>17</sup> For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup> Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. <sup>19</sup> For as by

*the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so **by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.*** <sup>20</sup> Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, <sup>21</sup> so that, **as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**1 Corinthians 15:21-22, 45 (ESV)** <sup>21</sup> For as **by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.** <sup>22</sup> For as in Adam all die, so also **in Christ shall all be made alive.**

<sup>45</sup> Thus it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being"; the **last Adam became a life-giving spirit.**

### **Questions**

Gen 3:8-19 relates man's disobedience and the curses that result. Who was the instigator of this disobedience? Is this instigator still a problem? (1 Peter 5:8-9) Is disobedience still a problem for men and women? (Rom 3:23)

What tactic or to what did Satan appeal to convince man to disobey? Does this work with us today? What other tactics does he use?

What curses resulted from this disobedience for man and woman? (Gen 3:8-19) Are these curses still in effect?

What are some examples of this curse we see today?

What was the solution to this disobedience? (Rom 5:12-21) Who was the solution? How do Adam and Christ correlate? What can the one act of righteousness on Christ's part lead? (Rom 5:18) To what can grace reigning through righteousness lead? Rom 5:21)

In Adam all die; in Christ \_\_\_\_\_ . (1 Cor 15:22)

What did the last Adam become? (1 Cor 15:45)

How important is it to be in Christ for us today? Am I in Christ?

### **Step 3: GET ACTIVE**

- List some tactics Satan uses today to keep us disobedient. Identify some instances of these in your life.
- Thank God and Christ each day this week for the provision of salvation.
- Evaluate your life to be sure you are in Christ. If not, make a plan to get in Christ.