

A Relational God pt.4

Temptation and Separation

**Genesis 3**

# Review: Genesis 1-2:3

## God is at the beginning:

1. God is eternal
2. God is relational
3. God is communicative
4. God is creative
5. God is both transcendent and imminent

# Review: **Genesis 1-2:3**

## **Good things take:**

1. A divine plan, interaction with God Spirit, His Word, time, work, and examination
2. **Relationships based on:**
  1. Commitment, time, intimacy

## Review: Genesis 1-2:3

1. Have dominion in your relationships
2. We are created to represent Him
3. First thing was a blessing
4. Be fruitful and walk in His authority
5. What do you need to feed on to be very good?
6. Rest in Him - make time to be...

## Review: Genesis 1-2:3

1. Our God is a Relational God.
2. He made us in His image.
3. God made us relational to display the Gospel.

# Genesis 2 Overview

1. The Lord - YHWH = A relational title
2. Formed and Breathed Life = Spirit filled
3. Eden = pleasure, an adventure together
4. Tend and to Keep = to know, serve, explore, protect
5. God brings... same page with God
6. Helper (and) Comparable = Equal in worth, different in roles

## Genesis 2 Overview

7. Love is a choice
8. Groom sacrifices for His bride
9. Leave and cleave (Prioritize God and spouse)
10. Nothing hidden or shameful
  1. Oneness and together-ness in everything

## Genesis 3

1 Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, "Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden'?"

2 And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden;



# Genesis 3:1-2

## 1. Location and Conversation

1. Flee! (**1Co 6:18, 10:14, Eph 4:27, 1Ti 6:11, 2 Tim 2:22, Jas 4:7, Jud 9**)

## 2. Enemy Tactics:

### 1. Confusion and misinformation

1. Question God's Word

2. Twist God's Word

3. Deny God's Word

## Genesis 3

3 "but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.' "

4 Then the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die.

5 "For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

# Genesis 3:3-5

## 1. Legalism

1. Dangerous to teach the doctrines of man as if they are the commandments of God (**Matthew 15:9**)
2. Identify sin, dangers places, and voices
3. Know and align your responsibility and convictions with God's Word

## Genesis 3

6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.

# Genesis 3:6

## 1. Three Fold Temptation

1. 1st John 2:15-17

2. Matthew 4:1-11

## 1st John 2:15-17 NKJV

15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that [is] in the world--the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life--is not of the Father but is of the world. 17 And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.

# Genesis 3:6

## 1. Three Fold Temptation

**1st John 2:15-17, Matthew 4:1-11**

1. Lust of the flesh (**good for food**)
2. Lust of the eyes (**pleasant to the eyes**)
3. Pride of life (**desirable to make wise**)

**H.A.L.T.**

**=**

**Hungry - Angry - Lonely - Tired**

**P.E.S.T.**

**=**

**Pray - Eat - Sleep - Talk**



## Genesis 3

7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings.

## Genesis 3:7

1.BOTH have to fail to fall.

2.Fig Leaves are itchy!

1.Mans attempt to cover sin make it worse

2.Put on the Lord Jesus...

1.(Isa 61:3, Gal:27, Rev 3: 5, 18, 16:15)

## Genesis 3

8 And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

## Genesis 3:8

1. Always willing and available
2. Most gentle approach
3. Looking for repentance for reconciliation

## Genesis 3

9 Then the LORD God called to Adam and said to him, "Where are you?"

# Genesis 3:9

1.The Man's responsibility

1.(**Rom 5:12, 1 Cor15:22, 1st Tim 2:14**)

2.Where are *you* in relation to Him?

## Genesis 3

10 So he said, "I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself."

11 And He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you that you should not eat?"

## Genesis 3:10-11

1. Sin brings fear, shame, mistrust, and running from God
2. God is looking for communication and confession without blame shifting.
3. Call sin, sin



## Genesis 3

12 Then the man said, "The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate."

13 And the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

## Genesis 3:12-13

1. Blames God, blames woman, fails both relationships, his first ministry

1. (Deut 24:5, 1 Timothy 5:8)

## Genesis 3

14 So the LORD God said to the serpent:

"Because you have done this, You are cursed more than all cattle, And more than every beast of the field; On your belly you shall go, And you shall eat dust All the days of your life.

15 And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel."

## Genesis 3:14-15

1. Sin has consequences in relationship

2. We need redeeming

1. **Romans 16:20 NKJV** - And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

## Genesis 3

16 To the woman He said: "I will greatly multiply your sorrow and your conception; In pain you shall bring forth children; Your desire shall be for your husband, And he shall rule over you."

## Genesis 3

17 Then to Adam He said, "Because you have heeded the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree of which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat of it': "Cursed is the ground for your sake; In toil you shall eat of it All the days of your life.

18 Both thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you, And you shall eat the herb of the field.

## Genesis 3

19 In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread Till you return to the ground, For out of it you were taken; For dust you are, And to dust you shall return."

# Genesis 3:16-18

1. Consequence of sin =

1. swap roles and struggle in life

“So the rule of love founded in paradise is replaced by struggle, tyranny and domination.” (Susan T. Foh, cited in Boice)

**Jesus paid it all -**

**(Rom 5, Gal 3:13, Her 2:10, 12:3)**



## Genesis 3

20 And Adam called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living.

21 Also for Adam and his wife the LORD God made tunics of skin, and clothed them.

22 Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of Us, to know good and evil. And now, lest he put out his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever"—

## Genesis 3:20

She was called....

a female (Genesis 1:27),

a helper comparable (Genesis 2:18),

a woman (Genesis 2:22, 23),

and a wife (Genesis 2:24, 25; 3:8).

## Genesis 3

23 therefore the LORD God sent him out of the garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken.

24 So He drove out the man; and He placed cherubim at the east of the garden of Eden, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to guard the way to the tree of life.

## Genesis 3:21-24

First sacrifice to cover our sin...

“In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.” - **Hebrews 9:22 NIV**

1. Know your temptations and the enemy's tactics
2. Know and trust God's Word
3. H.A.L.T. and P.E.S.T.
4. Put on Christ as a garment of praise
5. Take the gentlest approach for reconciliation
6. Take responsibility and don't blame game
7. Know that Jesus paid it all

“The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make His face shine upon you,  
And be gracious to you;  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you,  
And give you peace.”

Numbers 6:24-26 (NKJV)

