From the Beginning: "The Fall from Grace" Genesis 3:1-21

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"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." Romans 5:12

I. Sin is disobeying God's commands. (vs 1-6)

Revelation 12:9; Hebrews 3:13; Matthew 11:28

II. Sin brings shame and harm. (vs 7-13)

- 1. Sin robs man of his innocence. (vs 7-8)
- 2. Sin will catch up to you. (vs 9-13)

Romans 2:4

III. Sin comes with a great cost. (vs 14-21)

- 1. God addresses Satan. (vs 14-15)
- 2. God addresses the woman. (vs 16-19)
- 3. God addresses the man. (vs 20-21)

"Do not present your members (all of yourself) to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life...." Romans 6:13

LET'S GO DEEPER:

- 1. Can you think of examples, from your own life, of times when Satan has tried to confuse you by beautifying sin? How did you overcome the temptation? NOTE: If you share in a group try not to glamorize sin.
- 2. How have you heard others exaggerate God's Word to give themselves permission to disobey God?
- 3. How do the 3 categories of sin in I John 2:16 explain Genesis 3:1-6; Matthew 4:1-11?
- 4. What are some common ways we Americans tend to shift blame for our sin?
- 5. Identify and share 3 scripture passages that can equip you and others to have victory over temptations.