

- **Fall of Man:** 3 fold Curse as :
 1. Satan 3:14
 2. Ground 3:17
 3. Cain 4:11

- Repercussions of curse to all mankind (work, pain, death, etc.)

Genesis Chapter 3: Adequate Covering

Remember to lift Up the lord Jesus Christ

Genesis Chapter 2 Review: Rest for the Bride

- **Rest, 1st Account (heavens and earth), and the Bride**
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Genesis Chapter 3

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- God's Most Beautiful Creation, the "**covering cherub**"

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Deuteronomy 4:2 "You **shall not add to the word** which I am commanding you, **nor take away from it...**

Ecclesiastes 12:11 ...these collections are like well-driven nails; they are **given by one Shepherd.**

- **Adding:** JW's "a god" [implication; a false god], Mormons; another Gospel...ya! **The book is FINISHED**

Hebrews 1:1 God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, 2 **in these last days has spoken to us in His Son,** whom He

appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world.

- By very definition we **DO NOT ADD TO GODS WORD**
- Bible is non-fiction [True]

Scheme 2: Flat out Denial of God's Word and Authority

4 The serpent said to the woman, "**You surely will not die!**

Scheme 3: Offer (Temptation) of Moral Independence from God

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

- **Sales Pitch: You will be "like" God.** Satan tried...

Isaiah 14:14 'I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.'

- **Tell the ending:** Tormented day and night forever and ever.
- **Today:** Mormonism, Humanism, Evolution, Master of our own Destiny...**Elimination of Authority and Accountability**
- **"Skin of the truth stuffed with a lie"** Good and Evil
- **Perpetuation and Propagation of a Damnable Lie:** Yin/Yang: Good people go to heaven, bad to hell...by what standard

2 Corinthians 11:3 But I am afraid that, **as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness**, your **minds** will be led astray from the simplicity and purity of devotion to Christ.

1 Timothy 2:12 But I do not allow a woman to teach or exercise authority over a man, but to remain quiet. 13 For it was Adam who was first created, and then Eve. 14 And it was not Adam who was deceived, **but the woman being deceived**, fell into transgression.

- Eve wanted more, led by feelings and failed by Adam
- **Enter Sin:** Murder Lying, Rape, etc.
- **Everything changed;** Separation from God (Death) and shame...naked and ashamed

The Fall and the Inadequate Covering

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

- **Attempting to cover** their newly acquired shame (result of sin)
- Picture of man-made Religion; "good" works apart from God
- Twisting together that which will burn
- Man-made covering: Free Masons and the Great Throne

The Heart of God

8They 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. 9Then the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "**Where are you?**"

- They knew the familiar sound they previously ran too, now from God
- **Adam, where are you?** Spiritual Leader...Friend?
- Perhaps same tone as: "**Friend**, do what you have come for."
- Perhaps same look as to Peter at the fire with his enemies
- Hurt, love, compassion, etc.

10He said, "**I heard the sound of You in the garden**, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid myself." 11And He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?"

- Beginning of a world of hurt

The Blame

12The man said, "The woman whom **You gave** to be with me, she gave me from the tree, and I ate." 13Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" And the woman said, "The **serpent deceived** me, and I ate."

- Blaming God, devil, and others for the "bed we've made"
- Welcome to America

The Curse

14The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, Cursed are you more than all cattle, And more than every beast of the field; On your belly you will go, And **dust you will eat** All the days of your life;

- **Serpent:** Standing; never again to deceive with this guise/look
- **Dust you will eat...**God created man from dust!

1 Peter 5:8 Be of sober spirit, be on the alert Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, **seeking someone to devour.**

The Gospel

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

- **Hatred between the devil and Jesus** "your father, the devil (Jesus to the Pharisees)
- **Her (Eve's) Seed**: [singular] Jesus.
- Picture of the immaculate conception; **woman do not produce "seed"** and the **First hint of God's plan of redemption**

Ephesians 1:4 ...just as He **chose us in Him before the foundation of the world**, that we would be holy and blameless before Him In love

- Jesus delivered the **death blow** to Satan at the resurrection
- Jesus gives us power over the enemy and **ultimate victory**

Romans 16:20 The God of peace will soon **crush Satan under your feet**. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you.

16 To the woman He said, "I will greatly multiply Your pain in childbirth, In pain you will bring forth children; Yet your desire will be for your husband, And **he will rule over you.**"

- Pain in birthing
- **Literally**: Desire to rule over your husband; **role reversal**

17 Then to Adam He said, "**Because you have listened to the voice of your wife**, and have eaten from the tree about which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat from it'; Cursed is the ground because of you; In toil you will eat of it All the days of your life. 18 "Both **thorns and thistles it shall grow for you**; And you will eat the plants of the field; 19 By the sweat of your face You will eat bread, Till you return to the ground, Because from it you were taken; For you are dust, **And to dust you shall return.**"

- Adam is NOT cursed, but the ground: **Thorns and thistles** are part of the curse that Jesus, **the second Adam, took upon Himself**

Matthew 27:29 And after twisting together a **crown of thorns**, they put it on His head, and a reed in His right hand; and they knelt down before Him and mocked Him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!"

20 Now the man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all the living. [Eve probably means living]

The Blood

21The LORD God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife, and **clothed them.**

- God provided the covering for sin and shame as He does for us
- God's justice demands shedding of blood for forgiveness of sin

Hebrews 9:22 And according to the Law, one may almost say, all things are cleansed with blood, and **without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.**

- God provided His son for us to **"put on"** as a white garment

Galatians 3:26 For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. 27For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

- We dare not try to cover our sin with "good works"

Matthew 22: 2 [Read] "The **kingdom of heaven** may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. 3"And he sent out his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding feast, and they were unwilling to come. 4"Again he sent out other slaves saying, 'Tell those who have been invited, "Behold, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and my fattened livestock are all butchered and everything is ready; come to the wedding feast.'" 5"But they paid no attention and went their way, one to his own farm, another to his business, 6and the rest seized his slaves and mistreated them and killed them. 7"But the king was enraged, and he sent his armies and destroyed those murderers and set their city on fire. 8"Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. 9'Go therefore to the main highways, and as many as you find there, invite to the wedding feast.' 10"Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered together all they found, **both evil and good**; and the wedding hall was filled with dinner guests. 11"But when the king came in to look over the dinner guests, he saw a man there who was not dressed in wedding clothes, 12and he said to him, '**Friend, how did you come in here without wedding clothes?**' **And the man was speechless.** 13"Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' 14"For many are called, but few are chosen."

The Mercy

22Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man **has become like one of Us, knowing good and evil**; and now, he might stretch out his hand, and take also from the tree of life, and eat, and live forever"--

- Knows good and evil but no discernment; **Living forever in sin**

23 therefore the LORD God sent him out from the Garden of Eden, to cultivate the ground **from which he was taken.** 24So He drove the man out; and at the east of the garden of Eden He stationed the cherubim and the flaming sword which turned every direction to **guard the way to the tree of life.**

- To be accessed at a future time...**a beautiful time**

Summary

1. **The Schemer:** The Devil
 2. **The Schemes:** doubt, denial, temptation of moral independence
 3. **The Fall and the Inadequate Covering**
 4. **The Heart of God:** Where are you?
 5. **The Blame**
 6. **The Curse:** Satan and the ground
 7. **The Gospel:** Jesus crushing Satan's head
 8. **The Blood and the Adequate Covering:** The only means of forgiveness
 9. **The Mercy:** God does not want us to live in our sin forever
- Abaddon - Revelation 9:11 "**And they had a king over them, [which is] the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue [is] Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath [his] name Apollyon.**"
 - Accuser of the brethren - Revelation 12:10 "**And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. "**
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 - Angel of light - 2Corinthians 11:14 "**And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. "**
 - Antichrist - 1John 4:3 " **And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that [spirit] of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world. "**
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 - Beelzebub - Matthew 12:24; Mark 3:22; Luke 11:15 " **But when the Pharisees heard [it], they said, This [fellow] doth not cast out devils, but by Beelzebub the prince of the devils. "** (Matthew 12:24)

" **And the scribes which came down from Jerusalem said, He hath Beelzebub, and by the prince of the devils casteth he out devils. "** (Mark 3:22)

" **But some of them said, He casteth out devils through Beelzebub the chief of the devils. "** (Luke 11:15)
 - Belial - 2Corinthians 6:15 " **And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? "**
 - Devil - Matthew 4:1; Luke 4:2,6; Revelation 20:2 " **Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. "** (Matthew 4:1)

" **Being forty days tempted of the devil. And in those days he did eat nothing: and when they were ended, he afterward hungered. . . . And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it. "** (Luke 4:2,6)

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- Dragon - Revelation 12:7 " **And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the *dragon*; and the dragon fought and his angels, "**
- Enemy - Matthew 13:39 " **The *enemy* that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels. "**
- Evil spirit - 1Samuel 16:14 " **But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an *evil spirit* from the LORD troubled him. "**
- Father (father) of all liars - John 8:44 " **Ye are of [your] father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: *for he is a liar, and the father of it.* "**
- God (god) of this world - 2Corinthians 4:4 " **In whom the *god of this world* hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. "**
- Great red dragon - Revelation 12:3 " **And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a *great red dragon*, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads. "**
- Lucifer - Isaiah 14:12 " **How art thou fallen from heaven, O *Lucifer*, son of the morning! [how] art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! "**
- Man of sin - 2Thessalonians 2:3 " **Let no man deceive you by any means: for [that day shall not come], except there come a falling away first, and that *man of sin* be revealed, the son of perdition; "**
- Murderer - John 8:44 " **Ye are of [your] father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a *murderer* from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it."**
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- Power of darkness - Colossians 1:13 " **Who hath delivered us from the *power of darkness*, and hath translated [us] into the kingdom of his dear Son: "**
- Power of death - Hebrews 2:14 " **Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the *power of death*, that is, the devil; "**
- Prince of this world - John 12:31, 14:30, 16:11 " **Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the *prince of this world* be cast out."** (John 12:31)
" Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the *prince of this world* cometh, and hath nothing in me. " (John 14:30)
" Of judgment, because the *prince of this world* is judged. " (John 16:11)
- Prince of the power of the air - Ephesians 2:2 " **Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the *prince of the power of the air*, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: "**
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- Ruler of darkness - Ephesians 6:12 " **For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the *rulers of the darkness* of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high [places]. "**
- Satan - 1Chronicles 21:1; Job 1:6; John 13:27; Acts 5:3, 26:18; Romans 16:20; Revelation 20:2 " **And *Satan* stood up against Israel, and provoked David to number Israel. "** (1Chronicles 21:1)

" **Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and *Satan* came also among them. "** (Job 1:6)

" **And after the sop *Satan* entered into him. Then said Jesus unto him, That thou doest, do quickly. "** (John 13:27)

" **But Peter said, Ananias, why hath *Satan* filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost,**

and to keep back [part] of the price of the land? " (Acts 5:3)" **To open their eyes, [and] to turn [them] from darkness to light, and [from] the power of *Satan* unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me. "** (Acts 26:18)

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- Tempter - Matthew 4:3; 1Thessalonians 3:5 " **And when the *tempter* came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. "** (Matthew 4:3)

" **For this cause, when I could no longer forbear, I sent to know your faith, lest by some means the *tempter* have tempted you, and our labour be in vain. "** (1Thessalonians 3:5)
- Thief - John 10:10 " **The *thief* cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have [it] more abundantly. "**
- Wicked one - Matthew 13:19, 38 " **When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth [it] not, then cometh the *wicked [one]*, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side. . . . The field is the world; the good seed are the**

Addendum

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- **Substitute for God:** Anti: "in the place of"
 1. **Cover:** False protection from Judgment
 2. **Relieve:** False Relief from the penalty of sin/ Drugs, Alcohol, Sex

3. **Screened Off:** Numbness to God's Spirit

- **Mid-Trib: Angered**

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- **Post Millennium: Doomed Forever**

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- Back to the Garden: More Crafty...Schemer/Conspiring against man to be in place of God

The Schemes

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1. **Doubting God's Word/Character**
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Scheme 1: Poisoning the Perception of God's Character through Doubt/Sarcasm and Sinicism

Covering Cherub: Screened Off/Cut God out
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- **...or touch it?** Flesh jumps on-board buying into Satan's mischaracterization of God; now seen as a god that does not want her best and is keeping something from her

James 1:14 But each one is tempted when he is carried away and enticed by his own lust. 15 Then when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished, it brings forth death. 16 Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. 17 Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow.

- **The command was GOOD, allowing mans free choice to obey and love God**

John 14:15 "If you love Me, you will keep My commandments ...**21** He who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will disclose Myself to him."

- **Eve begins to desire what God says will kill her.** Begins to lay the groundwork for what she is about to do! She adds to God's word

Revelation 22:18 I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: **if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues** which are written in this book; 19 and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his part from the tree of life and from the holy city, which are written in this book.

Deuteronomy 4:2 "You **shall not add to the word** which I am commanding you, **nor take away from it**...[Eccl. 12:11]

- **Adding:** JW's "a god" [implication; a false god], Mormons; another Gospel...ya! **The book is FINISHED**

Hebrews 1:1 God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, 2 **in these last days has spoken to us in His Son**, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world.

- By very definition we **DO NOT ADD TO GODS WORD**
- **Scheme #1: Doubt; Doubting God's Word/Character** first step to buy in

Scheme 2: Blatant/Unashamed Denial of God's Word/Authority

Covering Cherub: Relieve Conscience
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4 The serpent said to the woman, "**You surely will not die!**"

- Note the exclamation mark!

Revelation 13:4 ...they worshiped the dragon because he gave his authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast, and who is able to wage war with him?"⁵ There was given to him a mouth speaking arrogant words and blasphemies, and authority to act for forty-two months was given to him. ⁶ And he opened his mouth in blasphemies against God, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, that is, those who dwell in heaven.

- Arrogance that got Lucifer now Satan in trouble in the first place
- **Liberalism:** It didn't work for me but I'll condone/approve it for others:

Luke 17:1 [Jesus] said to His disciples, "It is inevitable that stumbling blocks come, but woe to him through whom they come! ² It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea, than that he would cause one of these little ones to stumble.

- **Scheme #2 You will not surely die:** Usurping God's Word and Authority through arrogant and boastful words

Scheme 3: Offer (Temptation) of Moral Independence from God without Consequence

Covering Cherub: To cover from Judgment
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⁵"For God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

- **Sales Pitch: You will be "like" God.** Satan tried...

Isaiah 14:14 'I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.'

- **Tell the ending:** Satan tormented now and day and night forever and ever.

Revelation 20:10 And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be **tormented day and night forever and ever.**

- **Tell the ending:** Non-Believers tormented now and day and night forever and ever.

Isaiah 50:11 Behold, all you who kindle a fire, Who encircle yourselves with firebrands, Walk in the light of your fire And among the brands you have set ablaze. This you will have from My hand: **You will lie down in torment.**

Revelation 14:9 Then another angel, a third one, followed them, saying with a loud voice, "If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand, ¹⁰ he also will drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is mixed in full strength in the cup of His anger; and he will be **tormented with fire and brimstone** in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb. ¹¹ And the smoke of their torment goes up forever and ever; they have **no rest day and night**, those who worship the beast and

his image, and whoever receives the mark of his name.” [You got `a serve somebody B Dyl]

- **Today:** Religion, Humanism, Theory of Evolution, Master of our own Destiny, Perverse Tolerance, No absolutes...Hell Bound

Colossians 2:8 See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to Christ. 9 For in Him all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form, 10 and in Him you have been made complete

- **PURPOSE of this Scheme; i.e. Promise of Moral Independence for God:** To eliminate from our consciences any consideration of...
 1. God’s Authority
 2. Our Moral Accountability
 3. Ultimate Judgment
- But what we believe does not change truth
- **Satan’s ½ Truth: “Skin of the truth stuffed with a lie”**
 1. **TRUTH:** We do know Good and Evil
 2. **LIE:** Good people go to heaven, bad to hell...by what standard?
- **Perpetuation and Propagation of a Damnable Lie:** Yin/Yang: Deception:

2 Corinthians 11:3 But I am afraid that, **as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness**, your **minds** will be led astray from the simplicity and purity of devotion to Christ.

1 Timothy 2:12 But I do not allow a woman to teach or exercise authority over a man, but to remain quiet. 13 For it was Adam who was first created, and then Eve. 14 And it was not Adam who was deceived, **but the woman being deceived**, fell into transgression.

- Eve was “Religious” wanted more of the “spiritual”, led by feelings not Truth/God’s Word...and failed by Adam
- **Enter Sin:** Murder Lying, Rape, etc.
- **Everything is about to Change:**
 1. Beautiful close relation to God now Separation from God (Death)
 2. Unashamed and Free...naked and ashamed/unfulfilled and discontent

SCHEMES:

1. Doubting God’s Word/Character
2. Denial God’s Word
3. Offer of Moral Independence from God without Consequence

Genesis Chapter 3:6-23 The Fall and Adequate Covering

Remember to lift Up the lord Jesus Christ

LAST WEEK:

- **The Schemer:** The Devil
- **The Schemes:**
 3. **Doubt:** Casting doubt on God's Word/Character
 4. **Denial:** Brazen denial of God's Word and His Loving Character
 5. **Temptation:** Moral independence from God without consequence

TODAY:

- **Consequence**
- **The Heart of God:** Where are you?
- **The Blame**
- **The Curse:** Satan and the ground
- **The Gospel:** Jesus crushing Satan's head
- **The Blood and the Adequate Covering:** Grace; The only means of forgiveness
- **The Mercy:** Not getting what we deserve or even what we think we want

The Fall and the Inadequate Covering

- **Sin:** gr. *To miss the mark*
- **The mark:** Perfect Obedience to God leading to an intimate and completely fulfilling relationship with our Creator who knows and wants what is best for us; So why do we sin?

James 1: 14 [We are not tempted to sin by God] ...But each one is tempted when he is **carried away and enticed by his own lust.** 15 Then when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished, it brings forth death. 16 Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren.

- We are all tempted when we are "**carried away/enticed** by our own lust"
 1. **Carried Away** by Lust: def. "to draw out; lure forth: in hunting and fishing as game is lured from its hiding place, so man by lure is allured from the safety of self-restraint to sin"
 2. **Enticed** by Lust: def. "to bait, catch by a bait"
- **Lust:** Gr. *Epithumia*: Def. desire, craving, longing, desire for what is forbidden, lust NASB: coveting, desire, earnestly, impulses; It is the catalyst [facilitator] to living in the flesh
- **Sin's Sequence leading to Death:**
 1. Own lust "carries us away/entices us"; draws forth evil desires
 2. Satan joins in condoning what is wrong/perverse and putting down what is right/pure; the battle is in our minds
 3. Lust **conceives**: def. gr. To seize; in a hostile sense to take one as prisoner; i.e. The thought moves to action
 4. Sin: Brings forth **death**:

- **Unbelievers:** Eternal Damnation; Substitute for Truth but the best they can hope for; temporary pleasure leading to eternal torment [Physical and Spiritual Death]

Hebrews 11:24 By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, ²⁵ choosing rather to endure ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the **passing pleasures of sin**, ²⁶ considering the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; for he was looking to the reward.

- **Believers** [James was speaking to his brethren] brings forth separation from God/ Personal Hurt and Hurt/Destruction of others... Not at all what you hope what we hoped for

2 Samuel 13:1 [Read] Now it was after this that Absalom the son of David had a beautiful sister whose name was Tamar, and **Amnon the son of David loved her**. ² Amnon was so **frustrated** because of his sister Tamar that he made **himself ill**, for she was a virgin, and it seemed hard to Amnon to **do anything to her**. ³ But Amnon **had a friend** whose name was Jonadab, the son of Shimeah, David's brother; and Jonadab was a very shrewd man. ⁴ He said to him, "O son of the king, why are you so depressed morning after morning? Will you not tell me?" Then Amnon said to him, "**I am in love with Tamar**, the sister of my brother Absalom." ⁵ Jonadab then said to him, "Lie down on your bed and **pretend to be ill**; when your father comes to see you, say to him, 'Please let my sister Tamar come and give me *some* food to eat, and let her prepare the food in my sight, that I may see *it* and eat from her hand.'" ⁶ So Amnon lay down and pretended to be ill; when the king came to see him, Amnon said to the king, "Please let my sister Tamar come and make me a couple of cakes in my sight, that I may eat from her hand."

1. **After this:** David had been away and a bad father: No excuse but lays groundwork
2. **Amnon loved** [lusted after] her [Carried Away by Lust]
3. **Frustrated** to the point of being ill [Conception: Hostile Take-Over]
4. **Satan** [Jonadab; Shrewd] joins in with a scheme: Lie; Satan the father of liars

⁷ Then David sent to the house for Tamar, saying, "Go now to your brother Amnon's house, and prepare food for him."⁸ So Tamar went to her brother Amnon's house, and he was lying down. And she took dough, kneaded *it*, made cakes in his sight, and baked the cakes. ⁹ She took the pan and dished *them* out before him, but he refused to eat. And Amnon said, "Have everyone go out from me." So everyone went out from him. ¹⁰ Then Amnon said to Tamar, "Bring the food into the bedroom, that I may eat from your hand." So Tamar took the cakes which she had made and brought them into the bedroom to her brother Amnon. ¹¹ When she brought *them* to him to eat, **he took hold of her** and said to her, "Come, lie with me, my

sister.”¹² But she answered him, “No, my brother, do not violate me, for such a thing is not done in Israel; do not do this disgraceful thing!”¹³ As for me, where could I get rid of my reproach? And as for you, you will be like one of the fools in Israel. Now therefore, please speak to the king, for he will not withhold me from you.”¹⁴ However, he would not listen to her; since he was stronger than she, **he violated her and lay with her.**

1. **Took hold of her:** Sin took hold of Amnon and Amnon took hold of the innocent
2. **Amnon was stronger than Tamar**-Sin was stronger than Amnon; and the result of his search for happiness and fulfillment:

¹⁵ Then **Amnon hated her** with a very great hatred; for the hatred with which he hated her was greater than the love with which he had loved her. And Amnon said to her, “**Get up, go away!**”¹⁶ But she said to him, “No, because this wrong in sending me away is greater than the other that you have done to me!” Yet he would not listen to her.¹⁷ Then he called his young man who attended him and said, “Now throw **this woman** out of my *presence*, and lock the door behind her.”¹⁸ Now she had on a long-sleeved garment; for in this manner **the virgin daughters of the king dressed themselves in robes.** Then his attendant took her out and locked the door behind her.¹⁹ Tamar put ashes on her head and **tore her long-sleeved garment which was on her;** and she put her hand on her head and went away, **crying aloud as she went.**

1. Amnon “hated” her with greater intensity than he had lusted for her [frustrated]
 2. **Go away...throw this woman:** Attacks the victim...again
 3. **Tore her garment:** For virgin daughters of the king. Meaningless now because of the offense of another; dignity stolen
- **Result of Sin:** Shame, Un-Fulfillment, Guilt, Destruction of Self and Others, Good Name lost

“Sow a thought and you reap an action; sow an act and you reap a habit; sow a habit and you reap a character; sow a character and you reap a destiny.”

- “I want what I want and I will have it... spite of what God wants and with no thought of others”
- **Sin begins with pride;** i.e. self; thinking too highly of ourselves... but God is here for us:

James 4:6 But He gives a greater grace. Therefore it says, " God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble." 7 Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.8 Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

James 1:12 Blessed is a man who perseveres under trial; for once he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which *the Lord* has promised to those who love Him.

- **Back to the Garden:**

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

- **Knew they were naked:** Knowledge of Good and Evil; not what they expected
- Consequence of sin: **Shame**
 1. Beautiful close relation to God now Separation from God (Death)
 2. Unashamed/Free...now naked and ashamed/unfulfilled and discontent

Genesis 2:25 And the man and his wife were both naked and were **not ashamed**.

"...they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loin coverings.

- Knowing they were naked [aware of their sin] they needed a fix [substitute]
- Religion apart from Jesus Christ

John 10:1 "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter by the door into the fold of the sheep, but climbs up some other way, he is **a thief and a robber**.

- **Attempting to cover** their newly acquired shame (result of sin)
- **Picture of man-made Religion;** "good" works apart from God; i.e. Twisting together that which will ultimately burn

Ezekiel 28:16 ...**O covering cherub**, From the midst of the stones of fire.

- **Covering:** Def: *To knit together*
- **Mans attempt to knit together a covering for sin - all under the umbrella of the "covering cherub" the substitute!**
- **How many religions: No one knows:**

According to David Barrett of the "World Christian Encyclopedia: A comparative survey of churches and religions – from AD 30 to 2200," there are 19 major world religions which are

subdivided into a total of 270 large religious groups, and many smaller ones. 34,000 separate Christian groups have been identified in the world. "Over half of them are independent churches that are not interested in linking with the big denominations."

- The world is deceived and self-deceived into wanting anything but the only thing that will give them true peace; a simple relationship with God through the Grace

2 Corinthians 11:3 But I am afraid that, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, your minds will be led astray from the simplicity and purity of devotion to Christ. **4** For if one comes and preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted, you bear *this* beautifully.

Ephesians 2:8 For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, *it is* the gift of God; **9** not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

The Heart of God

8 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. **9** Then the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "**Where are you?**"

- They knew the familiar sound they previously ran too, now from God
- **Adam, where are you?** Calls Adam not Eve: Spiritual Leader...Friend?
 1. Perhaps same tone as "**Friend**, [Judas] do what you have come for
 2. Perhaps same look as to Peter at the fire with his enemies
- Hurt, love, compassion, grief, etc.

10 He said, "**I heard the sound of You in the garden**, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid myself."

- I heard the sound of you: Perception of God's presence
 1. **Knowledge of Good and Evil:** Knowledge/Fear of Judgment

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

- **Who told you:** This was never to have crossed your mind; what's wrong with being naked?

Titus 1:15 To the pure, all things are pure; but to those who are defiled and unbelieving, nothing is pure, but both their mind and their conscience are defiled.

The Blame

- "Everyone fails but no one is a failure until they blame someone else"

12The man said, "The woman whom **You gave** to be with me, she gave me from the tree, and I ate." 13Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" And the woman said, "The **serpent deceived** me, and I ate."

- Blaming God, devil, and others for the "bed we've made" Welcome to America

The Curse

14The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, Cursed are you more than all cattle, And more than every beast of the field; On your belly you will go, And **dust you will eat** All the days of your life;

- **Serpent:** Standing; never again to deceive with this guise/look
- **Dust you will eat...**God created man from dust!

1 Peter 5:8 Be of sober spirit, be on the alert Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, **seeking someone to devour.**

The Gospel

15a And I will put enmity between you and the woman, And between **your seed and her seed**;

- **Hatred between the devil's seed and the woman's "seed"**

1. Hatred between those who are the devils and those who are God's

John 8:44 You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth because there is no truth in him. Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

2. Hatred between those who are the devil's and Jesus

- **Her (Eve's) Seed:** [singular] Jesus. Picture of the immaculate conception; **woman do not produce "seed"**

Galatians 3:16 Now the promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. He does not say, "And to seeds," as referring to many, but rather to one, "And to your seed," that is, Christ.

- **First hint of God's plan of redemption**

Ephesians 1:4 ...just as He **chose us in Him before the foundation of the world**, that we would be holy and blameless before Him In love

15b He shall bruise you on the head, And you shall bruise him on the heel."

- **He shall bruise your head:** Jesus delivered the **death blow** to Satan at the resurrection
- You [Satan] shall bruise His [Jesus] heel:

Mark 8:31 And He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

- Resurrection Victory: Jesus gives us power over the enemy and **ultimate victory**

Romans 16:20 The God of peace will soon **crush Satan under your feet**. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you.

16To the woman He said, "I will greatly multiply Your pain in childbirth, In pain you will bring forth children; Yet your desire will be for your husband, And **he will rule over you.**"

- Pain in birthing
- **Literally:** Desire to rule over your husband; **role reversal**

17Then to Adam He said, "**Because you have listened to the voice of your wife**, and have eaten from the tree about which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat from it'; Cursed is the ground because of you; In toil you will eat of it All the days of your life. 18"Both **thorns and thistles it shall grow for you**; And you will eat the plants of the field; 19By the sweat of your face You will eat bread, Till you return to the ground, Because from it you were taken; For you are dust, **And to dust you shall return.**"

- **Thorns and thistles** are part of the curse that Jesus, **the second Adam, took upon Himself**

Matthew 27:29 And after twisting together a **crown of thorns**, they put it on His head, and a reed in His right hand; and they knelt down before Him and mocked Him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!"

Romans 5:13 ...until the Law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law. 14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam until Moses, even over those who had not sinned in the likeness of the offense of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come. 15 But the free gift is not like the transgression. For if **by the transgression of the one** the many died, much more did the **grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one Man**, Jesus Christ, abound to the many.

20Now the man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all the living. [Eve probably means living]

The Blood: Adequate Covering

21The LORD God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife, and **clothed them.**

- God provided the covering for sin and shame as He does for us
- God's justice demands shedding of blood for forgiveness of sin

Hebrews 9:22 And according to the Law, one may almost say, all things are cleansed with blood, and **without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.**

- God provided His son for us to **"put on"** as a white garment

Galatians 3:26 For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. 27 For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

- We dare not try to cover our sin with "good works"

Matthew 22: 2 [Read] "The **kingdom of heaven** may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. 3"And he sent out his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding feast, and they were unwilling to come. 4"Again he sent out other slaves saying, 'Tell those who have been invited, "Behold, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and my fattened livestock are all butchered and everything is ready; come to the wedding feast.'" 5"But they paid no attention and went their way, one to his own farm, another to his business, 6and the rest seized his slaves and mistreated them and killed them. 7"But the king was enraged, and he sent his armies and destroyed those murderers and set their city on fire. 8"Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. 9'Go therefore to the main highways, and as many as you find there, invite to the wedding feast.' 10"Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered together all they found, **both evil and good**; and the wedding hall was filled with dinner guests. 11"But when the king came in to look over the dinner guests, he saw a man there who was not dressed in wedding clothes, 12and he said to him, '**Friend, how did you come in here without wedding clothes?**' **And the man was speechless.** 13"Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' 14"For many are called, but few are chosen."

The Mercy

- Mercy: Not getting what we deserve even if it is what we think we want

22Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man **has become like one of Us, knowing good and evil**; and now, he might stretch out his hand, and take also from the tree of life, and eat, and live forever"--

- Knows good and evil but no discernment; **Living forever in sin**

23 therefore the LORD God sent him out from the Garden of Eden, to cultivate the ground **from which he was taken.** 24So He drove the man

out; and at the east of the garden of Eden He stationed the cherubim and the flaming sword which turned every direction to **guard the way to the tree of life.**

- To be accessed at a future time...**a beautiful time**

Summary: Genesis 3

10. **The Schemer:** The Devil
11. **The Schemes:** doubt, denial, temptation of moral independence
12. **The Fall and the Inadequate Covering**
13. **The Heart of God:** Where are you?
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15. **The Curse:** Satan and the ground
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18. **The Mercy:** God does not want us to live in our sin forever