



# WELCOME!

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Our mission is to help people **Come** to know Jesus as Savior, **Grow** in a relationship with Him, and **Live** their lives for Him. God loves you and we pray that during the worship service you will be able to connect with Him through song, scripture, and the message.

**Sunday, May 14, 2023**

**Sermon Series: Living with Eternity in Mind**

**Sermon Title: Two Moms, Two Paths, Two Different Results**

**Scripture: Genesis 3:1-5, 8-11, Matthew 1:18, Luke 2:41-52**

**Speaker: Pastor Kendall Harger**

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Sermon Notes

May 14, 2023

**Two Moms, Two Paths, Two Different Results**

Big Idea

The choices I make today affect today  
and tomorrow.

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Mom #1

In the beginning of time, God created Adam and Eve and placed them in a beautiful garden. He gave them the entire garden as their own, except for the fruit from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil in the middle of the garden.

There are consequences when we sin.

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## Mom #2

This is how Jesus the Messiah was born. His mother, Mary, was engaged to be married to Joseph. But before the marriage took place, while she was still a virgin, she became pregnant through the power of the Holy Spirit. -Matthew 1:18

Mary responded, "I am the Lord's servant. May everything you have said about me come true." -Luke 1:38

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Aren't you glad that God uses flawed people?  
Aren't you glad that God uses people who totally  
blow it?

It would be easy to walk away today and say that  
Eve is bad and Mary is good - that Eve is a loser  
and Mary is a winner.

Do you believe that nothing is impossible with God?

"...God announced a solution through Eve's  
offspring. And by the end of the story, rather than  
the source of evil, God presents Eve as the source  
of redemption." -Carmen Joy Imes

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## Talk It Over

Ice Breaker: Which fictional character, historical or biblical figure, would you want to be your mother and why?

1. In Genesis 3:1-5, we see Eve being deceived by the serpent, leading to disastrous consequences. How do you think Eve's path differed from Mary's in Luke 1:35-38? How do their personalities and reactions to God's plan affect their outcomes and legacy?
2. Imagine being Mary and giving birth to Jesus. What must that have been like for her? How do you think she felt when she saw Jesus on the cross? How can we relate to Mary as a mother?
3. In Genesis 3:8-11, Adam and Eve hide from God after their disobedience. Have you ever felt like hiding from God because of something you've done? How does this story (v.8-15) remind us of God's love and forgiveness even in the face of our mistakes?
4. In Luke 2:41-52, Mary and Joseph lost Jesus for three days. Have you ever experienced a similar feeling of loss or separation from God? How did you find your way back to Him? What can we learn from Mary's response to this difficult situation?
5. God uses flawed people throughout the Bible, including Eve. How does this give you hope for your own life and your relationship with God?
6. How can we avoid the path of disobedience and deception like Eve and instead follow the path of faith and obedience like Mary? What steps can we take to cultivate a deeper relationship with God and stay aligned with His will?