

As we begin our God with us series, we are going back to the beginning. Why did Jesus come to the Earth?

Genesis 2:15-17: The Command.

God created Adam and placed him in the garden of Eden. God gave Adam a command. Do not eat from the tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil.

God made Eve and brought her to Adam as a parnter/ helper.

Genesis 3: The Fall

The serpent (satan, the deceiver) talks to Eve and convinces her that eating the fruit that God commanded them not to eat wouldn't result in a punishment. Instead, when they ate the fruit, they would become like God. Eve eats of the fruit and gives it to Adam to eat. Their eyes are opened, and sin enters creation.

A separation was made between God and man.

Isaiah 59:2 *"But your wrongdoings have caused a separation between you and your God, And your sins have hidden His face from you so that He does not hear."* (some translations will say iniquities in place of wrongdoing. *Iniquities Definition, wicked act or thing- sin, gross injustice*)

God designed us to have a relationship with Him. He designed us to be with Him forever, but when sin caused the separation, the perfect design was broken.

That is the problem. Because of the sin in Genesis 3, everything is broken. We are not how God originally designed us to be. We are separated from God because of our sin.

Romans 5:12 *"Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned—"*

Romans 3:23 *"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God"*

Gospel Connection:

The Solution, the answer to the problem.

Jesus came to fix what Man had broken. Through His death, burial, and resurrection, we(humans) have an opportunity to have a relationship with God; we can be made spiritually alive.

Small Group Questions

Lower Elementary

1. What did God command in Genesis 2
2. What happened in Genesis 3?
3. Why is that bad?
4. Why did Jesus come to Earth?
5. What made Jesus different from everyone else?

Upper Elementary

1. What does Genesis 3 talk about?
2. What was the result(or outcome) of the decision made in Genesis 3?
3. Who could fix the problem?
4. Why did God remove Adam and Eve from the garden?
5. What happened after Adam and Eve left the garden?
6. Why did Jesus come to the Earth?

Activity 1: Coloring Page/ Activity

Activity 2: Telephone

Have students sit in a circle. The leader will give a word to the first student; the student will then whisper it to the next student. The students get one attempt to share the word. The word will get passed around the circle. When the word gets back to the leader, have the final student share the word they heard. The leader will share the original word.

God set an original plan in motion, just like in the game. One person messed up, and it caused a chain reaction of failure to spread.

Activity 3: Sword Drills

Genesis 3:6, Romans 3:23, 1 John 1:8, Galatians 6:8, Psalm 51:4
Matthew 26:28, Isaiah 53:5

WRITE YOUR ANSWERS ON A SEPARATE PIECE OF PAPER.

1. Write 1 Corinthians 3:11 out 2 times. Read John 10:27-30
2. Matthew 7:24a When you hear the Words of Jesus, what do we do with them?
3. Matthew 7:24b If we do what Jesus says, our foundation is built on what?
4. Genesis 2:15 Why did God put Adam in the garden? Was there work before sin?
5. Genesis 2:16-17 What was the one thing God told Adam he could not do? At what price?
6. Genesis 3:2-3 Did the woman know God said not to eat from the tree of life? Who told her?
7. Genesis 3:4-5 Who was the serpent? Hint John 8:44
8. Genesis 3:8 As soon as Adam and Eve sinned, what did they do? Why?
9. Genesis 3:15b As soon as man sinned, God tells his plan to save the World. Read John 3:16
10. Jesus would crush satan's head for all time, sending him to the lake of fire.
11. Satan would strike Jesus's heel, because Jesus had to go to the cross to pay for our sin. Romans 5:12: Sin entered the world through Adam. Romans 3:23: What do we fall short of?
12. Romans 3:24: How can we be justified and receive the Gift of God's Grace? Hint Romans 10:9

MEMORY VERSE 1 Corinthians 3:11: For no one can lay a foundation other than the one which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.