

LIFE GROUP LESSON

Divine Design • Week of February 5

Read: Genesis 2:15-20 and Genesis 3:1-7 (The Fall); vv8-19 (The Missional God); and vv20-24 (Paradise lost)

Further Study: Read 2 Corinthians 5:19

Goal: 'Original Righteousness' existed before Adam's fall and 'Justification by Faith' comes by the Second Adam.

Before the Video

- Read Genesis 2:15-20 and share "What was God's original design with Adam and Eve"?

After the Video

- Read Genesis 3:1-7 and share how the voice of the tempter could have been avoided? Did Adam and Eve have to give into temptation? How can we avoid the voice of darkness in our lives?

Digging into the Bible

- Read Genesis 3:8-19. Who took the first step in seeking to reconcile the broken relationship between God and humankind? Why is this important to affirm?
- Whose idea is it that we have reconciliation? How can we respond in a like manner?

Going Deeper & Action Steps

- Adam was silent when Eve gave him the opportunity to take a bite of the fruit. How is our silence in relationships deadly? What needs to change for us to avoid the mistake of Adam? How can "stonewalling" in a relationship be deadly and how can "speaking truth in love" break the silence and bring life?
- Read Proverbs 18:21. We have "free will" from God's Divine Design. We are image bearers. Which one will you choose? How can we choose our words more wisely?
- Fear and Shame were both crippling emotional results of the Fall. How do these same emotions rule our lives today? How can we overcome them? A) What cast out fear? Read 1 John 4:18. B) Read Hebrews 12:2 and speak to how Jesus "ignored the shame". Toxic shame and fear can be overcome through faith, hope and love.

Prayer - Dear God, thank you that you took the first step towards reconciliation. Forgive us for being silent. List the names of unchurched friends, family, co-workers, students, etc. and pray for them now by name in your group. Then make a commitment to invite them to worship.

DIVINE DESIGN FOR RELATIONSHIPS

Text: Genesis 2:15-20, Genesis 3:1-24

PLAIN TRUTH:

_____ Images _____ to
the Master become a work of _____.

1. _____ News -We were _____
in God's _____ and placed in _____.
2. _____ News - Trusted in the _____
voice.
3. _____ News—_____ images
surrendered, become beautiful.

One Year Bible Reading

February 5: Exodus 21:22-23:13, Matthew 24:1-28, Psalm 29:1-11, Prov. 7:6-23
February 6: Exodus 23:14-25:40, Matthew 24:29-51, Psalm 30:1-12, Prov. 7:24-27
February 7: Exodus 26:1-27:21, Matthew 25:1-30, Psalm 31:1-8, Proverbs 8:1-11
February 8: Exodus 28:1-43, Matthew 25:31-26:13, Psalm 31:9-18, Prov. 8:12-13
February 9: Exodus 29:1-30:10, Matthew 26:14-46, Psalm 31:19-24, Prov. 8:14-26
February 10: Exodus 30:11-31:18, Matthew 26:47-68, Ps. 32:1-11, Prov. 8:27-32
February 11: Exodus 32:1-33:23, Matthew 26:69-27:14, Ps. 33:1-11, Prov. 8:33-36

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