Sermon Study Guide 6/21/20
Stuff Christians Believe (Season 2) | "We Believe that All Have Sinned" | Genesis 3

These questions were written for discussion with a few others around a kitchen table (even a virtual table). Keeping the group small will encourage vulnerability and honest self-evaluation; 3-4 is ideal. Life Group leaders are encouraged to organize their Life Groups into smaller "table" groups of 3-4 (or perhaps three couples) to discuss the questions, and then share a few thoughts and prayer with the larger Life Group.

Families may also choose to use this as a family discussion guide around their kitchen tables. If you are using this study guide alone, we encourage you to journal your responses and consider discussing them with a close friend in Christ.

1. Article 3 of LakeView's Statement of Faith says: "We believe that God created Adam and Eve in his image, but they sinned when tempted by Satan. In union with Adam human beings are sinners by nature and by choice, alienated from God, and under his wrath. Only through God's saving work in Jesus Christ can we be rescued, reconciled, and renewed." What is the most challenging or difficult part of that statement for you, personally? Why? Can you say you agree with Article 3? Why or why not?

2. What does it mean to be "sinners by nature and by choice"? Why has our society so adamantly refused to believe this?

3. When Adam and Eve sinned, they rejected God and chose to do what was right in their own eyes to advance themselves their own way. The results were disastrous for them and for the rest of the world. What are some of the ways people today reject God's Word and instead define what's right in their own eyes?

4. What are some of the areas in your own life in which you struggle to trust God to define good and evil, and instead desire to define what's good and what's bad for yourself?

5. "Only when evil is overcome in us are we able to overcome evil in the world." Do you agree or disagree? Why? How is evil overcome in us? Where are you with the Lord?