CHAPTER 2: SIN

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Read Geneses 1-3 and Psalm 24:1

Psalm 24:1 "The earth is the Lord's, and all its fullness, the world and those who dwell therein."

Lesson 1: GOD AND CREATION

(In this lesson we discuss more in depth of Genesis 1-2)

The book of Genesis opens with the words "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." God is the Creator. God created man superior from all other things and gave him dominion. God spoke and things came into being. When God created man, he took time to do so. Man was created to have fellowship with God.

1.Discuss the main attributes of God as outlined in Chapter 2.2.Outline a detailed account of the creation of heaven and earth in Genesis 1 and 2.3.Gen.1:26 And God said "Let "us" make man ..." Who does the Bible refer to in "us"?

Lesson 2: THE FALL OF MAN

When God created Adam and Eve, they were innocent but had the power to make choices. In Genesis 2:16-17, God gave Adam freedom to eat from all trees of the garden of Eden save for the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

In Genesis 3:1-14, Adam and Eve gave in to the temptation of the serpent and they disobeyed God by eating the forbidden fruit.

- a) In your own words, explain how and why Even gave the fruit to the husband.
- b) Why didn't Adam rebuke Eve but instead took the fruit and ate?
- c) What lessons do we learn from the fall of man in Genesis 3

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Lesson 3: THE CONSEQUENCES OF SIN

God is holy and righteous. He judges sin. God has given human beings freedom of choice. Choices have consequences. The wages of sin is death. After Adam and Eve sinned, they faced the consequences of their sin, Genesis 3:14-24.

1.From Genesis 3:14-24, name the consequences of sin for:

- a. Eve
- b. Adam
- c. Both Adam and Eve
- d. Serpent

Note: In Romans 5:12-19, we learn that sin come through one man, Adam, and righteous through one man Jesus Christ.

Lesson 4: THE PATRIARCHS.

Read Genesis 12:1-4, 15, Genesis 50: 22-26

The word Patriarch refers to founder or ruler of a family, tribe or clan or tribal line or any of the early Biblical personages regarded as the fathers of the human race. When Adam and Eve sinned, God made a promise that "the Seed of the woman shall bruise the serpents head." Gen. 3:15

In this lesson, we will look at five Key Patriarchs namely; Noah-Genesis 6-10, Abraham-Genesis 12, Isaac-Genesis 11:30, 25: 21-26, Jacob-Genesis 32 and Joseph Genesis 37-45.

Refer to the book for Discipleship Workbook for details.

a) Discuss the beginning of the nation of Israel from Abraham onwards

b) What did God expect from his chosen people of Israel and did they keep to the expectation?

c) If Israel was the chosen people what is your identity today?