

Sermon Guide and Discussion Questions

The Consequences of Sin – Genesis 3:14-21

Sermon Outline

1. Introduction – illustration of a traveler named Samuel
2. The Consequences for the Man
3. The Consequences for the Woman
4. The Consequences for the Serpent
5. Conclusion – the promise of Jesus coming to defeat Satan was the greatest ‘consequence’ of Adam and Eve’s sin

Scripture Passages Referenced

- Genesis 1:28 - Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it...
- Genesis 4:7 - If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is contrary to you, but you must rule over it.
- Psalm 72:9 - May desert tribes bow down before him, and his enemies lick the dust!
- Isaiah 25:12 - And the high fortifications of his walls he will bring down, lay low, and cast to the ground, to the dust.
- John 8:44 - You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father’s desires.
- Galatians 4:4-5 - But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.
- Hebrews 2:14 - through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil...

Discussion Questions

- How do we see God responding to how Satan undermine the creation order between animals, women, and men?
- Why is it significant that God did not curse Adam (or Eve)?
- In what ways do the consequences that God gives out reflect His gracious character?
- How does the consequences for work give clarity to the struggles with face with work today?
- How does the judgment against Adam help us understand that death is an enemy?
- In what ways does the consequences about childbirth impact parenting as a whole?
- What impact did this first sin and the consequences of it have on marriage?
- Why is it significant that the Lord God cursed the serpent in front of Adam and Eve?
- What was the Lord God doing in cursing the serpent to go on his belly and eat dust?
- How is God’s lovingkindness seen in putting enmity between the serpent and the Eve?
- Who are the offspring of the serpent and who are the offspring of the woman?
- How does the enmity between the two groups help us understand the unfolding of human history over the course of the last several thousand years?
- Who is the one who will strike the head of the serpent?
- What comfort can you find in knowing that on Satan’s two greatest days he was actually dealt great defeats?
- How does this passage and sermon show you your own sin and the consequences of it?
- How does this passage and sermon make you more thankful for Jesus?
- How does this passage and sermon help you love God more and live for His glory?