

LESSONS FROM THE FALL:
FROM NEGATIVE EFFECTS
TO A BRAND-NEW IDENTITY

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THE AREAS OF TEMPTATION THAT SATAN USES:

- The Lust of the Flesh -- *Eve saw that the tree was good for food*
- The Lust of the Eyes -- *Eve saw that the tree was pleasant to the eyes*
- The Pride of Life -- *Eve saw the tree was to be desired to make her wise*

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DID SATAN USE THESE AREAS OF TEMPTATION :
lust of the flesh, lust of the eyes, and pride of life
WHEN DEALING WITH EVE? YES!

- **Genesis 3:6 (NIV)** When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.

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The Woman Listened To The Slander Of The Devil Against God:

- She Began To Doubt God's Word And God's Love.
- She Looked At The Thing Which God Had Prohibited

Adam Did Nothing To Stop The Process Of Sin.

- He Took The Fruit From Her And Ate With Her.

They Were Both Transgressors

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WHAT HAPPENDED WHEN ADAM AND EVE ATE THE FRUIT OF THE TREE OF KNOWLEDGE OF GOOD AND EVIL?

- They fell from the image (likeness) of God.
- Their eyes were opened.
- They knew they were naked.
- They sewed fig leaves together and made themselves covering.
- They hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

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- **Adam And Eve Became Aware Of Their Own Flesh (Before God)**
- **For The First Time They Felt Shame, Guilt And Fear**

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WHAT WAS THE UNIVERSAL RESULT OF MAN'S FALL FELT BY US ALL?

- **Sin entered into the world and death came as a result of sin.**
- **Romans 5:12 (NIV) — 12** Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned—

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JUST AS GOD HAD SAID: THEY NOW FACED DEATH

- **They Underwent A Spiritual Death**
- **They Would Face Physical Death**
- ***This Was Not Immediate Death -- It Was An Imminent Death***
- ***When Adam & Eve Sinned, Everything Changed Rapidly***

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They Came Under Immediate Condemnation And Future Punishment –

- They Were No Longer Righteous, Innocent, Moral, Upright
- They Were Now Sinners Defined By Disobedience, Guilt, Shame And Fear
- Their Intellect, Understanding And Will , Were Tainted
- They Lost Their Original Right Standing With God And Their Fellowship With God
- They Were Now Ashamed And Self-conscious

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READ: Genesis 3:1–13

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The #1 -- Negative Effect of the Fall Was Spiritual Death.

- **Because They Fell Into Sin They Died.**
- **They Were Separated From God.**
- **No Longer Able To Be In God's Presence And They Lost Their Place In The Garden Of Eden.**

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We Have Inherited Death From Them Due To Their Sin:

(Rom 5:12 NIV) Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned--

(1 Cor 15:21-22 NIV) For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man.
(22) For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.

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#2 Negative Effect of the Fall When Adam And Eve Yielded To Sin -- They Lost Their Knowledge Of God.

- *They Lost The Perception of Reality Concerning God.*
- *They Tried To Hide From God*
- *Their Thinking Was Futile*
- *They Could No Longer Comprehend The Essence & Knowledge of God*

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Sin Became A Barrier That Took From Their Knowledge Of God

- The Knowledge Of God Can Only Be Discovered In An Intimate Relationship With Him.
- An Intimate Relationship With Him Is Available To Us Through Jesus Christ

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#3 Negative Effect of the Fall: A Negative Effect On The Emotions

- *Their Emotional Life Was Thrown Into Complete Disarray*
- *In Their Emotional Life Surfaced Dominant Negative Emotions.*
- *After The Fall Fear & Anxiety Are The First Emotions Expressed By Adam And Eve.*
- **(Gen 3:10 NIV)** *He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid."*
- ***"If Fear Is Controlling Your Life, Then Faith Is Not."***

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**Another Emotional Byproduct That Came By Way Of Sin
Is Shame And Guilt.**

- **(Gen 3:7 NIV)** Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.
- **They Became Depressed And Angry After The Fall.**

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- **“You Don't Feel Your Way Into Good Behavior,
You Behave Your Way Into Good Feelings.”**
- “Good Feelings Follow Right Behavior.”

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How Is The Nature Of God Revealed In His Dealings With Fallen Man?

- A. The justice of God is revealed in the three curses pronounced upon those in the Garden.
- B. The Grace of God toward mankind lies in His curse upon the tempter (the serpent) and His provision for Adam and Eve.

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What Were The Curses Pronounced On The Characters In This Drama?

1. The serpent was cursed and told he would crawl on his belly and there would be enmity (hatred) placed between him and the woman and between his seed and her seed.
2. The woman was told in sorrow she would conceive, and her husband would rule over her.
3. The man was told the ground would be cursed for his sake, and he would toil for his bread until his death.
4. Adam now had to work the ground by the sweat of his brow

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What Important Lesson Do We Learn From The Fall Of Lucifer And Of Man?

- *We should stay in the place where God puts us. We must not become jealous of another's place.*
 1. *Until He Moves Us, We Will Not Be Moved.*
 2. *We Must Be Content With God's Placement In Our Lives.*
 3. *Jealousy, Envy And Discontent Always Lead To A Downfall*

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Lessons To Be Learned From The Fall

1. *What places are you in when you fall?*
Avoid those places
2. *What things do you have that support your sin?*
Eliminate those things.
3. *What people are you with, what voices do you listen to when you sin?*
Avoid them.

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Sin Has Robbed Us Of Our Intimacy, Our Trust, And More

- We Have A Need For Our Lives To Be Restored.
- We Have A Need To Belong To And Have Fellowship With The Lord
- *The More We Know Who We Are In Christ. The More We Will Grow Into Maturity...*
- *The More That We Grow In Maturity, The Easier It Will Be To Know Who We Are In Christ!*

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Our Spiritual Identity Was Lost In The Fall

- *Jesus Christ Has Won Back For Us The Identity.*
- *We Have A Brand-New Identity In Christ.*

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Our True Identity Is: Who Christ Says That We Are

- We Have What He Says We Have
- The Things That Were Lost Due To Sin
Are Restored In And Thru Living Lord And Savior

We Were Defeated In Sin, But Christ Changed That

- We Have The Victory In Jesus
- We Are Who He Says We Are

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While The Enemy Tells You That You Are Still Dead In Sin

- *Jesus Says – Everything You Had Lost In The Fall I Have Covered, Cleansed And Restored You To New Life*

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We Are Who & What God Says We Are

- *We Have Been Placed In The Body Of Christ*
- *We Have Been Established, Anointed & Sealed In Christ*
- *We Are Redeemed And Forgiven, Recipients Of His Grace*
- *We Can Approach His Throne In Freedom & Confidence*
- *Christ Is In Us Is The Hope Of Glory*

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Jesus Christ Has Dealt With Our Past

- *What We Used To Be -- We Are No Longer*
- *Our Lives Are Now Hidden In Christ*
- *All Things Have Been Made New*
- *Christ Is Now Our Life*

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**We Are No Longer Isolated From God, Or Enemies Of God --
Living In Weakness And Defeat In The Spiritual Realm**

- *The Value That We Lost In Sin -- Has Been Replaced*
- *The Companionship & Love Of God Is Back In Our Lives*
- *The Knowledge Of God Has Returned To Us & Is Growing*

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To Grow And Mature:

- 1. You Must Believe God's Truths About Who You Are*
 - 2. You Must Stop Listening To The Devil*
 - 3. You Must Stand On God's Word!*
- The Negative Effects Of The Fall Have Been Dealt With By Christ*

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Let The Freedom Of Christ Reign In Your Heart Today!

- *Freedom To Let Christ Lead You In Steps Of Righteousness And Holiness*
- *Freedom To Live Forever In Christ*
- *To Live In The Restored Paradise Awaiting Those Who Trust In Him*