



Introduction

We now transition in the State of Nature. This is what man is after sin came into the world through one man.

Recap

- Image of God
 - “The structure and function in which God made man to represent and imitate Him in relation to God, neighbor, and creation.”
- Pre-fall Image of God
 - Man represents God
 - Man is like God
 - Dominion over creation
 - Male and Female
 - Man is personable and responsible
 - Man retains the image after the fall
 - God calls man “very good”

The Fall

- Genesis 3:1-3
 - Satan works through the serpent to cause uncertainty about what God has said
 - It was Adam and Eve’s job to guard and keep the garden, including the tree
- Genesis 3:4-6
 - He appeals to the good structural and functional characteristic of desiring knowledge
 - The temptation is both for the intellect and the heart.
- Genesis 3:7-11a
 - Both their eyes were opened when Adam ate. This shows headship failure on Adam’s part
 - They are filled with shame because they now are corrupted images of God and need to hide it
 - Fellowship between God and man now corrupted.
- Genesis 3:11b-13
 - They failed in every regard: prophet, priest, and king
 - Adam fails in his role as man since he does not take responsibility. Eve imitates Adam in this sinful action
- Genesis 3:14-15
 - Serpent cursed (carnal), Satan cursed (spiritual)
 - Protoevangelium announced which predicts a restoration of the image of God.
- Genesis 3:16
 - Dominion mandate hindered. Helping her husband will be painfully difficult



- It will be difficult to imitate God in submitting to authority
 - This speaks to the nature being affected by sin.
- Genesis 3:17-19
 - Adam rebuked for listening to his wife rather than leading
 - The ground is cursed because of Adam. The ground will not submit to his authority easily
 - The work of dominion will never be complete by man alone since he returns to the dust that he is meant to rule over.