**Once Upon a Time … Adam and Eve Lost Paradise**

Genesis 2-3

**Genesis 2:7 (ESV)**

Then the Lord God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature.

**Genesis 2:8 (ESV)**

And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there He put the man whom He had formed.

**Genesis 2:9 (ESV)**

And out of the ground the Lord God made to spring up every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

**Genesis 2:15 (ESV)**The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it.

**Genesis 2:16 (ESV)**And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, “You may surely eat of every tree of the garden,

**Genesis 2:17 (ESV)**but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

**Genesis 2:21 (ESV)**

So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh.

**Genesis 2:22 (ESV)**

And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man He made into a woman and brought her to the man.

**Genesis 2:23 (ESV)**

Then the man said, “This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.”

**Genesis 2:24 (ESV)**

Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

**Genesis 2:25 (ESV)**

And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

1. **Distorting God’s Truth**

**Genesis 3:1 (ESV)**Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the Lord God had made. …

**Revelation 20:2 (ESV)**And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years,

**1 Peter 5:8 (ESV)**Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.

**2 Corinthians 11:14 (ESV)**And no wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light.

**John 8:44 (ESV)**You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father’s desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

**Genesis 3:1 (ESV)**Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God actually say, ‘You shall not eat of any tree in the garden’?”

**Genesis 2:16 (ESV)**And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, “You may surely eat of every tree of the garden,

**Genesis 2:17 (ESV)**but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

**Genesis 3:2 (ESV)**And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden,

**Genesis 3:3 (ESV)**but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.’ ”

**Genesis 3:4 (ESV)**But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die.

**Genesis 3:5 (ESV)**For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

**2 Corinthians 11:3**

But I am afraid that as the serpent deceived Eve by his cunning, your thoughts will be led astray from a sincere and pure devotion to Christ.

1. **Disobeying God’s Will**

**Genesis 3:6 (ESV)**So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate.

**Romans 5:12 (ESV)**Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned.

**James 1:13 (ESV)**Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am being tempted by God,” for God cannot be tempted with evil, and He Himself tempts no one.

**James 1:14 (ESV)**But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire.

**James 1:15 (ESV)**Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

1. **Deserving God’s Judgment**

**Genesis 3:7 (ESV)**Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

**Genesis 3:8 (ESV)**And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

**Genesis 3:9 (ESV)**But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?”

**Genesis 3:10 (ESV)**And he said, “I heard the sound of You in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.”

**Genesis 3:11 (ESV)**He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?”

**Genesis 3:12 (ESV)**The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.”

**Genesis 3:13 (ESV)**Then the Lord God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

**Romans 3:11 (ESV)**No one understands; no one seeks for God.

**Luke 19:10 (ESV)**For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”

1. **Departing from God’s Paradise**

**Genesis 3:22 (ESV)**Then the Lord God said, “Behold, the man has become like one of Us in knowing good and evil. Now, lest he reach out his hand and take also of the tree of life and eat, and live forever—”

**Genesis 3:23 (ESV)**therefore the Lord God sent him out from the garden of Eden to work the ground from which he was taken.

**Genesis 3:24 (ESV)**He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden He placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.

1. **Depending on God’s Grace**

**Genesis 3:15 (ESV)**I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel.

**Romans 16:20 (ESV)**

The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**Genesis 3:21 (ESV)**And the Lord God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

**1 Corinthians 15:22 (ESV)**For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

**Romans 8:1 (ESV)**There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.