

Lesson 4 Genesis 3

Adam and Eve

1. Which portion of the serpent's statements (vs.1,4 & 5) are true and which are false (compare 2:16&17)?

Genesis 3:1, 4-5

1 Now the snake was the most cunning* of all the wild animals that the LORD God had made. He asked the woman, "Did God really say, 'You shall not eat from any of the trees in the garden'?"

4 But the snake said to the woman: "You certainly will not die!

5 God knows well that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, who know* good and evil."

Genesis 2:16-17

16 The LORD God gave the man this order: You are free to eat from any of the trees of the garden

17 except the tree of knowledge of good and evil. From that tree you shall not eat; when you eat from it you shall die.

2. Which phrase from 3:1-6, used by the serpent was particularly powerful? (CCC391-392)

1 Now the snake was the most cunning* of all the wild animals that the LORD God had made. He asked the woman, "Did God really say, 'You shall not eat from any of the trees in the garden'?"

2 The woman answered the snake: "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden;

3 it is only about the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden that God said, 'You shall not eat it or even touch it, or else you will die.'"

4 But the snake said to the woman: "You certainly will not die!b

5 God knows well that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, who know* good and evil."

6 The woman saw that the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eyes, and the tree was desirable for gaining wisdom. So she took some of its fruit and ate it; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.

3. In what three ways did the serpent tempt Eve?

Which do you consider to be the strongest temptation?

4. How might someone today fall prey to the same tempting question, “Did God really say?”?

5. Comparing 3:7-13 with chapter 2, how has the relationship changed between the man and the woman?

7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

8 When they heard the sound of the LORD God walking about in the garden at the breezy time of the day,* the man and his wife hid themselves from the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

9 The LORD God then called to the man and asked him: Where are you?

10 He answered, “I heard you in the garden; but I was afraid, because I was naked, so I hid.”

11 Then God asked: Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I had forbidden you to eat?

12 The man replied, “The woman whom you put here with me—she gave me fruit from the tree, so I ate it.”

13 The LORD God then asked the woman: What is this you have done? The woman answered, “The snake tricked me, so I ate it.”

6. *Challenge Question:* What line in Chapter 3 gives the first promise of a savior? (CCC410)

7. By driving Adam and Eve from the garden, God in kindness kept them from what?

8. What were the results of sin:

A. For the serpent?

B. For Eve?

C. For Adam?

D. For the ground?

9. *Challenge Question:* Give as many steps as you can that led to Eve's fall. (Five possible)

10. List two things from these references that show that Christ considered Satan was a person.

Luke 10:18, John 12:31

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18 Jesus said, "I have observed Satan fall like lightning* from the sky.

John 12:31

31Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world* will be driven out.