

## Foundational Truths

### Part 2 – The Fall's Effect on All Human Beings

#### Genesis 3

#### Introduction:

##### A. Foundational truths

1. Do not come from p\_\_\_\_\_
  - a. This is an affection for w\_\_\_\_\_ gathered from how people see things.
  - b. 1Cor 1:20 states that the wisdom of this world is f\_\_\_\_\_ to God.
  - c. 1Cor 1:25 states that the things of God that the world deems foolish is w\_\_\_\_\_ than any human wisdom.
2. Is free will a foundational truth?
  - a. This is a philosophy of religion that many Christians hold to, but where is it found in God's word?
  - b. Today we will learn just how Adam and Eve's one act of disobedience affected the \_\_\_\_\_ human race.

##### B. The story of the fall (Gen 3)

1. Who is the tempter in this story?
  - a. From Adam and Eve's perspective it was an actual s\_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. From Rev 12:9 it was S\_\_\_\_\_.
2. The tempter did not take the form of a serpent but p\_\_\_\_\_ the serpent (see Matt 8:32).
  - a. God c\_\_\_\_\_ the serpent for being the medium of temptation (Gen 3:14).
  - b. Zoologists have discovered that unlike other species of snakes, the boa constrictor and the python have leg sockets which they believe to be remnants of a hind limb.
3. What effect did Adam and Eve's fall have upon on all mankind?

#### Sin adversely affected man's relationship with the a\_\_\_\_\_ world

- ##### A. Gen 3:14 states that the serpent would be cursed m\_\_\_\_\_ than all other creatures in the animal world.
1. This i\_\_\_\_\_ that the whole animal world was cursed, not just the serpent.
  2. Prior to the curse, Adam and Eve r\_\_\_\_\_ over animals without fear of any danger (Gen 1:28; 2:19) – God created animals tame.
  3. The Bible mentions wild beasts as striking f\_\_\_\_\_ in humans (Ezek 14:21)

4. Since the curse, animals require human diligence to become tame and still this is not a guarantee.
- B. One day the whole animal world will be in perfect h\_\_\_\_\_ (Is 11:6-9).

**Sin adversely affected man's relationship with the h\_\_\_\_\_ world**

- A. The setting of the temptation
1. The serpent conversed with E\_\_\_\_\_
  2. Adam was w\_\_\_\_\_ her the whole time (Gen 3:6; 1Tim 2:14).
- B. The relationship of Adam and Eve after eating the forbidden fruit.
1. They were a\_\_\_\_\_ of their nakedness (compare Gen 2:25)
  2. They hid their nakedness from one another by s\_\_\_\_\_ coverings made out of fig leaves (this took effort).
- C. Sin never c\_\_\_\_\_ relationships, but only creates barriers.
1. A child who lies to parents create distance in that relationship
  2. Applicable to all relationships (marriage, church, work, friendships, etc.)

**Sin adversely affected man's relationship with the e\_\_\_\_\_**

- A. Gen 3:17-19 records God cursing the g\_\_\_\_\_ because of Adam's sin.
1. Cultivating the ground and growing food would require s\_\_\_\_\_ and l\_\_\_\_\_.
  2. The ground would produce t\_\_\_\_\_ and t\_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Rom 8:20,21 – all of c\_\_\_\_\_ fell because of Adam's sin
1. Creation fell unw\_\_\_\_\_
  2. All of creation g\_\_\_\_\_ in its slavery to corruption.
  3. There is a promise of f\_\_\_\_\_ to creation along with the children of God.

**Sin adversely affects man's relationship with G\_\_\_\_\_**

- A. There was only one prohibition (Gen 2:17)
1. The prohibition stated - never e\_\_\_\_\_ the fruit from the tree of knowledge of good and evil.
  2. The reason for the prohibition – in the day you eat of it, you will surely d\_\_\_\_\_
- B. The death penalty
1. Included both physical and spiritual death, but the serpent (Satan) focused on the physical part (Gen 3:22)
    - a. *God knows you will not die the same day.*

- b. God knows you will be like Him knowing both good and  
e\_\_\_\_\_
2. God barred Adam and Eve from eating from the tree of life so that they would not physically l\_\_\_\_\_ forever in a sinful state.
  3. Does the punishment fit the crime?
    - a. Would you put a child to death for eating a cookie that they are not supposed to eat? Have you committed more serious sins than eating a forbidden fruit?
    - b. God did not c\_\_\_\_\_ the penalty. Death was the n\_\_\_\_\_ consequence of any degree of disobedience.
- C. The relationship of Adam and Eve with God before the fall
1. They had a good and r\_\_\_\_\_ relationship with God.
  2. Their spirits were joined with God's Spirit (see Jn 4:24) and could not be b\_\_\_\_\_ by any other created thing.
  3. Only d\_\_\_\_\_ breaks the bond (the human spirit would separate from God's spirit = spiritual death)
- D. The relationship of Adam and Eve with God after the fall
1. They h\_\_\_\_\_ themselves from God
  2. They died spiritually and eventually died physically.
- E. God created Adam and Eve special
1. Both humans and animals have a body, soul, and spirit
    - a. Gen 2:7 – God breathed into Adam's nostrils and he became a living s\_\_\_\_\_ (Hebrew – chay nephesh)
    - b. Gen 1:20 describes the animal world in the same way as living c\_\_\_\_\_ (Hebrew – chay nephesh)
      - 1) Gen 7:15 – animals have the b\_\_\_\_\_ of life
      - 2) Gen 7:22 – animals have a s\_\_\_\_\_
  2. Only Adam and Eve were made in the i\_\_\_\_\_ of God
- F. Our genealogical connection to Adam and Eve
1. Every human being came from Adam (Acts 17:26)
  2. We have one example of an actual trace to Adam (M\_\_\_\_\_ 's father – Lk 3:23)
  3. Adam's disobedience brought d\_\_\_\_\_ upon all his descendants.
    - a. You and I were born s\_\_\_\_\_ to sin ( Rom 3:23; Rom 3:10; Eph 2:1-3)
    - b. Adam and Eve were created with a free will, but after they sinned, free will was lost to all descendants. All are born with a will en\_\_\_\_\_ to sin.
    - c. Every person is incapable of redeeming himself or herself.

*What is the solution? – next week's message*