

Series: Genesis

Passage: Genesis 3:1-13 Title: The Fall of Man

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**Discussion Starter** – How has deception caused you to stumble in your life? What did you think you would gain from this thing you wanted and what were the end results?

## Consequences of Not Understanding God's Word (Genesis 3:1-13)

- Who is the serpent in this story and what is the significance to us about how he is described?
- What was the purpose God had in mind for creating the tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil?
- How do we see the serpent's cunning tactics being used in way he questions Eve? What do you think the tone of his voice was like?
- What do we learn about Eve by the way she responds to the serpent?
- Why do you think God allowed the serpent to enter the garden in the first place?
- How do we know for sure that the serpent is Satan or the Devil?
- How much of what the serpent says to Eve in verses 4-5 is true? What do you think Eve thought he meant?
- What are some of the reasons why Satan might have targeted Eve instead of Adam?
- Have you experienced these tactics being used to undermine your walk with God? Explain.
- What has God given us to protect us from the Satan's cunning tactics? What are we to do to take advantage of this gift of protection?
- What was so tempting to Eve that she disobeyed God and took the advice of Satan?
- Can you recall a time in your life as a Christian where you felt a goal or desire you had caused you to be tempted to disobey God's word? Explain.
- Why do you think Satan hates humans? Read John 12:31 and 1 Corinthians 15:21-22.
- How is the literal existence of Adam and Eve confirmed in the Bible?
- Why is it critical to recognize this passage as a literal retelling of an actual event?
- What knowledge did Adam and Eve gain after eating the fruit? How was this knowledge different from what they thought they would get.
- What is the significance of both Adam and Eve recognizing that they were naked and covering themselves up with fig leaves to hide from God?
- What does God show us about His character as He calls out to Adam in the garden?
- What are some of the consequences of sin and the depravity of man on display that we see by the responses of both Adam and Eve gave to God for eating of the forbidden fruit?
- Explain why you think it was it either good or bad for mankind that Adam and Eve fell in the Garden?