

Lessons in Life -- Lesson 7 – Sin Comes to Eden-Part 4

Introduction: In Genesis 3:4-5 we see that Satan lies to Eve: "you shall not surely die." Then he promises Eve that she will "be like God knowing good and evil." In 3:6-7 we see Eve's response.

Read this passage at least five times then answer the questions as best you can:

⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, that it *was* pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make *one* wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.

⁷ Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they *were* naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings. (Gen. 3:6-7 NKJ)

What does Eve see when she looks at the tree? (3 things)

How does Eve's view of the tree differ from God's Word about the tree (Genesis 2:15-17)?

What does this teach you about using your own wisdom instead of God's wisdom? Give one example.

We see from verses 5 and 6 that this disobedience was driven by a lust (desirable) to be God. Pick a common sin and explain how the same element – the lust to be God – is at the root of it.

Think about a broken relationship in your past. How did your lust to be God play into that conflict?

If I gave you a video camera and sent you in a time machine back to the Garden of Eden and had you video the first sin which is the root of all violence, drug deals, murders, wars, etc., all you would see is a woman taking a piece of fruit and giving it to her husband to eat. It doesn't look like much. What does this tell us about sin?