## ROOTS

A Study in Genesis


## LESSON 3 GENESIS 3

1. What was your takeaway from last week's study on Genesis $\mathbf{2 : 4 - 2 5}$, and how has it impacted you?
2. As you read Genesis 3, pray and ask God to reveal the areas where you struggle with temptation or deception. Then pray for God's strength and guidance to overcome.
3. In V1-3, what method did the serpent use to deceive Eve, and what was her response? What does this teach you?
4. In V4-5, what was the lie of the serpent?
5. In V6, what did Eve do and why? (Take note of each verb and the progression of sin.)
6. Perhaps you can relate to Eve. When have you given in to something that looked good, but ultimate harmed you in some way (for example, a person or relationship, food or drink, work or activity)?
7. a) Read V7-10. After disobeying God and eating the fruit, what were Adam and Eve's immediate reactions? Contrast this to Genesis 2:25.
b) Be honest. What is your usual response or reaction when you have intentionally disobeyed God? Did that draw you towards or distance you from the Lord. Explain.
8. a) In V11-13, Adam blamed Eve for giving him the fruit to eat and for ultimately disobeying God, and Eve blamed the serpent. When and where are you prone to shift blame?
b) What are some ways you can assess whether advice or instruction should be followed?
9. a) Disobedience to God comes with adverse consequences (V14-19). Put in your own words, the consequences given to:

- The serpent (V14-15)
- Eve (V16)
- Adam (V17-19)
b) In V16b, what do you think this means, and how might this impact the relationship between a man and woman? (Optional: Use other bible translations for help.)

10. a) What attributes or characteristics of God are found in V20-21?
b) When have you seen God's love \& compassion for you and/or loved ones, even after you or they have disobeyed?
11. Read V22-24. What are some possible reasons for God to banish Adam and Eve from the garden?
12. Lesson 3 introduces the ROOTS of sin in mankind. (Today, the ROOTS of sin have grown exponentially in our society and in our own lives.)
a) Give some examples of how you see this in our world.
b) In what area(s) of your life do you need God to UPROOT your sin so He can re-plant new life in you?
"GOSPEL GLIMPSES": Throughout the Book of Genesis, we will see previews of Jesus, and a foreshadowing of the Gospel (The Salvation Story). From this Lesson, we see from the start, the need for and provision of a Redeemer.
13. a) Explain in your own words how Genesis $\mathbf{3 : 1 5}$ foreshadows Christ as Redeemer for generations to come? (See Romans 16:20 for help.)
b) Which sins or "iniquities" (a tendency toward a certain $\sin$ ) can you think of that have passed through your family tree?
c) Is it possible to stop sins or iniquities from passing on to the next generation? Explain.
14. How do these verses confirm the need for the Redeemer?

- Hosea 6:7 and Romans 3:23
- Romans 5:12-19
- 1 Corinthians 15:22

3. a) Write out the Suggested Memory Verse: 1 Corinthians 15:22
b) Pray to our Lord for His compassion and forgiveness when you have knowingly sinned. Or pray for His strength and His wisdom to resist the temptations to sin. (Refer to Question 12b.)
