

The Beginning of Sin

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STUDY TEXT: GENESIS 3:1-24

Discuss the following BIG IDEAs and how to apply them to life. Use the questions to spark discussion.

Big Idea 1: Sin Begins With Distrusting God ([Genesis 3:1-6](#))

Live It Out: When you face temptation, ask yourself whether you are trusting God's wisdom or relying on your own desires.

- *How did Satan use lies and deception in his temptation of Adam and Eve? (He influenced Eve to doubt God's character and word; he contradicted what God had told them and claimed God was holding things back from them; etc.)*
- *Why is trusting God's character essential when facing temptation?*

Live It Out: Take one practical step to prepare for temptation, such as spending time in God's Word, praying regularly, or seeking accountability from another believer.

- *What situations or circumstances tend to make you more vulnerable to temptation?*
- *What habits or relationships help you remain faithful when temptation comes?*

Big Idea 2: Sin Brings Brokenness and Consequences ([Genesis 3:7-19](#))

Live It Out: Instead of allowing guilt and shame to drive you away from God, let them prompt you to seek His forgiveness and grace.

- *Why do people often try to hide their sin rather than confess it?*
- *How can guilt and shame become an opportunity to turn back to God?*

Live It Out: Take responsibility for your actions instead of blaming circumstances, other people, or outside influences.

- *Why is it often difficult to admit when we are wrong?*
- *What freedom can be found in confession, repentance, and receiving God's forgiveness?*

Big Idea 3: God Responds to Sin With Grace and Hope ([Genesis 3:15, 20-24](#))

Live It Out: Thank God for His grace and spend time reflecting on how Jesus has provided forgiveness, hope, and victory over sin.

- *Why is it significant that God promised a Deliverer even while He was pronouncing judgment for sin?*

- How does Genesis 3:15 help us see that the Bible tells one unified story?
- In what ways did Jesus succeed where Adam failed?
- How does the promise of forgiveness and redemption through Christ give us hope today?

WORK TOGETHER TO MEMORIZE THE FAMILY SCRIPTURE OF THE MONTH

Genesis 1:1

Build a Foundation

Discussion questions for elementary age students.

1. How did Adam and Eve's relationship with God change because of sin?
2. After Adam and Eve sinned, how did God show them mercy?
3. What are some temptations children today face? What are some ways you can stay strong in your fight against temptation?
4. When you do something wrong, why is it important to admit it instead of shifting blame or making excuses?

Faith Connections

Have family members write sentences that are true and then some that *sound true* but are not. Remind family members: God is truth and His Word always teaches truth. Discuss how the Devil twisted God's words to tempt Eve. Name some lies the Devil uses to try to tempt us and talk about why it's so important to know what God's Word says.

Stand Strong

Since God is good, why did He allow sin to enter the world?

Answer: God created people with the ability to choose good or bad and whether they would trust and obey Him. Sin entered the world when humanity chose rebellion instead of obedience. God did not create evil, but He allowed the possibility of choice because genuine love requires freedom. Even after sin entered the world, God provided a plan of salvation through Jesus, showing His grace, wisdom, and love.

Scripture: Genesis 3:1-19; Romans 5:12

Preschool Highlights

Today your child learned on the third day of Creation, God spoke, and the seas and dry land were made, and He moved them apart from each other. God created trees, grass, plants, and flowers to grow on the dry land. On day four of Creation, God made the sun, moon, and stars and placed them in the sky. **God Made Everything.**



Help your children understand that sin has real consequences, but make sure your home is also marked by grace. Just as God confronted Adam and Eve's sin while continuing to love and care for them, parents should teach truth, encourage repentance, and extend forgiveness. A grace-filled home helps children see both the seriousness of sin and the goodness of the Savior.