

Genesis 3:1-13

The Fall

1. Adam and Eve as the guardians of the sanctuary are now tested for fidelity to their King. Obedience to God gives life and disobedience brings death. Discuss what is “Original Sin”?
2. Verse 1 and 2 describes the serpent. What do we know about the serpent from this passage and from Rev. 12:9, 20:2?
3. Evil existed prior to Adam’s disobedience. Does this have any purpose for what Adam was instructed in Gen. 2:15?
4. Since Satan is crafty and is a master of using words to deceive – our only hope of dealing with him is as found in Mt.4:1-11 and Eph. 6:10-20. Discuss the relationship between Genesis 3 and Matthew and Ephesians.
5. Satan from the beginning subverts the order God created. By bypassing Adam and tempting Eve, Satan usurps Adam’s authority. (1 Tim. 2:12, 14) Nevertheless Adam is held accountable for her. See Gen. 3:9, 17. How is this seen today?
6. Sin enters into mankind in verse 6. Sin is the failure to trust God. Sin manifests itself in both doing what God has forbidden and failing to do what He has commanded. Discuss both ways we sin in relationship with John 14:15.
7. Discuss the symbolism of “nakedness”. In the OT nakedness suggests weakness, need and humiliation (Deut. 28:48; Job 1:21; Is. 58:7). The result of the “Fall” is exposure to evil and God provides a covering for human sin (v.21). How is this dealt with prior to Christ and with the advent of Christ?