CBC's Women's Ministry Bible Study TWELVE EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN by John MacArthur CHAPTER 1 - *Eve: Mother of All Living (Genesis 3:20)*

Items for group discussion on August 11, 2017:

1. Eve was "magnificent" in her original state. However, the biblical account of Eve doesn't focus on her character or appearance, but rather on what?

- 2. The way Eve was created for Adam was an illustration of God's grace.
 - How does it illustrate how God's grace is given and received?
 - How does it illustrate the goodness, satisfaction, joy and completeness we benefit from through God's grace?
- 3. Discuss how the uniqueness of Eve's creation illustrates general truths about womanhood.
 - Equality -
 - Unity in marriage relationships -
 - Marriage as a union of heart and soul -
 - Divinely-designed role of women -
- 4. Defend the principle of headship and submission within a relationship of equals.
- 5. What is Satan's classic modus operandi that he used to deceive Eve?

What is the *"lie of all lies"* that underlies a *"whole universe of evil"*?

- 6. Adam's headship over all of humanity was of great significance when he sinned? (Romans 5:12)
 - What is the doctrine of original sin?
 - Why is Adam's sin not Eve's of deception but rather deliberate rebellion against God?
 - Why can we not cast off our own guilt by using "unfair" because of Adam's behavior?

7. Eve's eyes WERE opened and she knew evil by experiencing it.

- What was her innocence replaced by?
- God's curse upon Eve addressed consequences against two important relationships that she would find the most joy in. What were these?
- How has this curse affected gender roles throughout history and today?

8. The serpent was cursed above all species (all animals were included in God's curse), illustrating Satan's demotion from heaven and his degradation. God's curse put enmity between Eve's seed and her Seed (Christ) and the evil spirit indwelling the snake.

• How is this "Good News" and a promise for Eve?

9. When was the first ever blood sacrifice performed? By whom was it performed and on whose behalf was it performed?

10. Were Adam and Eve "saved"? Defend your answer.

Memorize: "For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous." Romans 5:19 ESV