

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDY OUTLINE

I. THE LURE OF TEMPTATION: GENESIS 3:1-5

1. What command did God give Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden? Genesis 2:16-17
2. What was the consequence for Adam and Eve if they broke God's commandment? Genesis 2:17b
3. Who approached Eve in the Garden of Eden and questioned her? Genesis 3:1a
4. How is the serpent in the Garden of Eden described? Genesis 3:1a
5. Who was the serpent mentioned in Genesis 3:1? Revelation 12:9; 20:2
6. What did the serpent do to begin placing doubt in Eve's mind? Genesis 3:1b
7. What was Eve's reply to the devil? Genesis 3:2-3
8. Compare Eve's reply with God's command in Genesis 2:16-17. Was anything added or taken away?
9. What lie did the devil say to Eve to deny God's word? Whom did the devil accuse of lying? Genesis 3:4
10. Why did the devil say God did not want Adam and Eve to eat of the forbidden tree? This was the devil's second lie. Genesis 3:5
11. What has Jesus confirmed about the devil's nature? John 8:44

II. THE CHOICE TO SIN: GENESIS 3:6-7

12. What three things led to Eve's decision to yield to the devil's temptation? Genesis 3:6 (1 John 2:16)
 - v. 6a _____
 - v. 6b _____
 - v. 6c _____
13. How did Eve share her sin? Why do you think this person yielded? Is temptation a sin? Genesis 3:6d
14. Was Adam deceived as Eve? 1 Timothy 2:14
15. Do you think it was within Adam's and Eve's power to resist? Why or why not? 1 Corinthians 10:13
16. The immediate effect of Adam's and Eve's sin was embarrassment, shame, guilt, fear, separation from God and loss of innocence. How were these consequences revealed in Genesis 3:7?
 - v. 7a _____
 - v. 7b _____
 - v. 7c _____

III. CONFRONTED BY GOD: GENESIS 3:8-10

17. Who confronted Adam and Eve after they sinned? How did Adam and Eve react to God's presence after sinning? Why? How did God reveal Himself? Genesis 3:8
18. Who made the initial contact between God and Adam and Eve after they sinned? What does this indicate? Genesis 3:9
19. What was Adam's response to God's call? What did Adam fail to tell God? Genesis 3:10
20. What did Adam and Eve soon find out about sin? Numbers 32:23
21. Adam and Eve faced two deaths: spiritual and physical. What were signs that they were spiritually dead?

IV. THE EXCUSES FOR SIN: GENESIS 3:11-13

22. How did God challenge Adam's initial response and his failure to reveal what had happened? Genesis 3:11
23. What two persons did Adam blame for his sin? Genesis 3:12
24. Whom did Eve blame for her sin? Genesis 3:13

V. GOD'S JUDGMENT AGAINST SIN (GENESIS 3:14-17)

25. What punishment was placed on the serpent because of his temptation? Genesis 3:14
26. What relationship would always exist between the serpent and the woman (humankind)? Genesis 3:15ab
27. What would one of the woman's offspring do to the serpent and the serpent do to this offspring? Genesis 3:15cd (Most Biblical scholars feel this is the first good news of promise that an offspring of Eve (the Messiah) would bring redemption to humankind. This prophecy was fulfilled at the cross where Satan "bruised" Christ's heel; but because of Christ's death and resurrection, Christ crushed Satan's head and won a complete victory over him.) Read: 1 Corinthians 15:54b-57; Hebrews 2:14
28. What problems would Eve face because of her sin? Genesis 3:16
29. What punishment was placed on Adam because of his sin? Genesis 3:17
30. What did God do for Adam and Eve before they faced God's final punishment? Genesis 3:21
31. What did God have to prevent Adam and Eve from doing? Why? Genesis 3:22
32. What was the final consequence of Adam's and Eve's sin? Genesis 3:23
33. What did God do so Adam and Eve could not reenter the Garden? Why? Genesis 3:24

SUMMARY AND DISCUSSION

34. Discuss original sin. (It is the belief that all human beings inherited a sin nature because of the sins of Adam and Eve, particularly of Adam. All human beings are therefore conceived and born in sin.) Romans 3:23; 5:12
35. How did Adam and Eve play the following devastating games after they sinned? How are these games still being played today? Genesis 3:7-10, 12-13

"The Cover-up Game" – v. 7

"The Hide-and-Seek Game" – vv. 8-10

"The Blame Game" – vv. 12-13
