

#### Do You Know That You Need God?

Let's return to the story that we were studying together last time (Genesis 1-3). Remember God had made man and had given him some things to do and one thing not to do. Let's see how well man showed his love and obedience to God.

### The first sin

Besides the man and woman, we now learn that there was someone else in the beautiful Garden with them. Look at Genesis 3:1.

Now the serpent was more crafty than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, "Indeed, has God said, 'You shall not eat from any tree of the garden'?"

Who was this other creature? (Revelation 12:9; 20:2)

The Bible describes the serpent as crafty or sneaky. Other verses in the Bible teach us how Satan used his tricks and ended up getting kicked out of heaven (Isaiah 14:12-15).

What did the serpent try to get the woman to do?

Did the serpent try to convince Eve of anything else? (Genesis 3:5)

Eventually the woman gave in, ate the fruit, took it to her husband, and he disobeyed God, too.

# The penalty for sin

Did the serpent's promise come true?

What happened because Adam and Eve sinned? (Genesis 3:7, 22-24)

In the middle of the punishment, God also provided hope for Adam and Eve. Look at Genesis 3:15.

And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise you on the head, and you shall bruise him on the heel.

#### Who is God talking to in this verse?

Notice how the verse ends. What does God say will happen?

After the first sin, God made a promise that provided hope for man. How that promise was fulfilled will be the subject of our next study.

# Memory Verse

The person who sins will die. Ezekiel 18:20

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