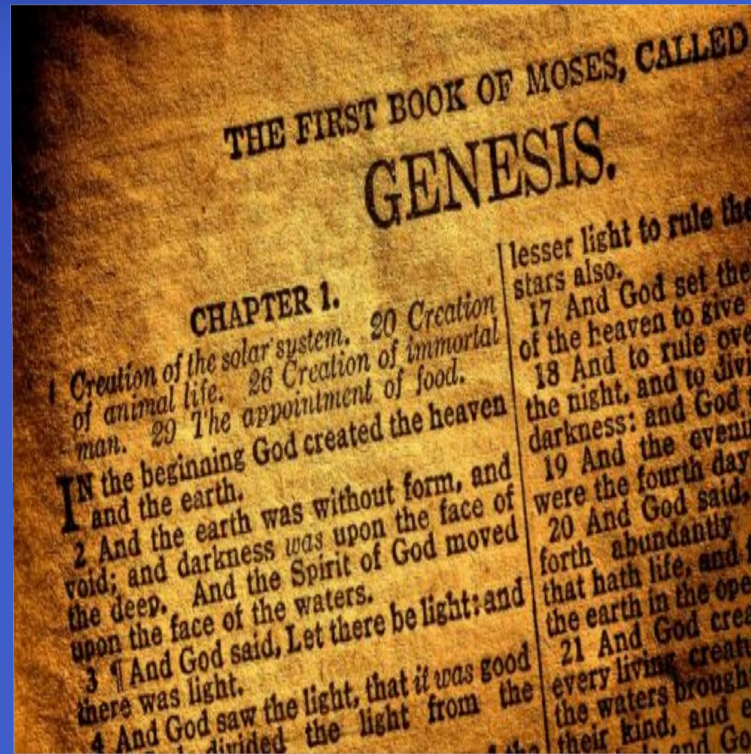


The Old Testament Book of Genesis!



***This Morning We Continue Our Journey
In The Very First Book In The Bible***

The Text:
Genesis 3:9-24!



The Sermon Title:
THE CONSEQUENCES of the CURSE!

Let's Review What We Have Already Discovered!

In Chapter One – The Creator!

- 1. The Cause of Creation.*
- 2. The Commentary of Creation.*

In Chapter Two – The Consummation of Creation!

- 1. The Conclusion of Creation.*
- 2. The Capstone of Creation.*

In Chapter Three – The Curse upon Creation!

- 1. The Cataclysmic Fall of Man.*
- 2. The Chaotic Future of Man.*

The Introduction!

Last week I pointed out:

That in chapter three we would discover a Biblical truth that stands contrary to the popular thinking of our day – the belief that man is good, and on his way up to a bigger, and better, and brighter tomorrow.

That man is a fallen creature who has suffered a devastating blow. And as a result of this blow his nature is fallen, evil, and cannot be recovered on its own. Man's nature has been captured and corrupted by sin. And sin always leads to death and separation from the holy and righteous God!

REMEMBER THE SETTING!

In chapter two Adam and Eve lived in a perfect paradise where God provided everything they needed. But due to the subtleness of the serpent, Satan was able to ...

Turn Eve's Looking into Lust.

When the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was desirable to make one wise she (lusted) ate!

Turn Eve's Desire into a Decision.

Then Eve saw that the tree was desirable she took from the tree.

Turn the Sinner into a Seducer.

She gave to her husband (the forbidden fruit) and he ate with her.

Satan's Plan of Attack!

1st: To attack Adam's and Eve's God given roles. Eve, being created second was to be Adam's helper, supporter and encourager. And Adam, being created first, was commanded to lovingly lead his wife in the ways of God.

2nd: To get them to question what God had said. Satan wanted to cause doubt by denying the truth spoken by God to them – his goal is to get them to question God's Word.

Note: The God ordained role of the man and a woman was disrupted by Satan at the beginning of time. It still continues even today!

The Outline Continues to Build!

I. (1:1) The Act of **CREATION!**

II. (1:2-31) The **COMMENTARY** on the Act!

III. (2:1-7) The Commentary's **CONCLUSION!**

IV. (2:8-25) The **CONSUMMATION** of Creation!

V. (3:1-24) The **CURSE** upon Creation!



Today's Sermon Outline!

V. (3:1-24) The **CURSE** upon God's Creation!

A. (3:1-8) The Cataclysmic **FALL** of Mankind.

B. (3:9-24) The Chaotic **FUTURE** of Mankind.

1. (3:9) Adam is **SUMMONED** by God.

a. (v.8) Adam and Eve hear the sound of God coming, so they hide themselves from God's presence. They immediately left the scene of the crime and returned to the area of permission. They did not want God to know about their disobedience.

b. (v.9) They appeared to have been successful covering their tracks until they hear the Creator's voice calling out to them, Adam, where are you? Because of God's calling, they are forced to approach God while in their fallen condition.

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It is here that Adam is forced to face the truth that he has sinned. And like all of us, he will do it in a most roundabout way. Instead of admitting what he has done, he will do his best to try and explain it away.

a. (3:10) Adam's **Explanation**.

b. (3:11-12) Adam's **Excuse**.

c. (3:13) Adam's **Example**.

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Adam , as a result of his fallen nature, will not confess his sinful act before God. He will not throw himself upon God's mercy and grace. Instead he will see God as an instrument of wrath. So he chooses to turn the focus to the immediate circumstances that he faced. His hope is to get the focus off of himself and on to the details of what just happened.

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Again, instead of admitting what he had done, he will try to avoid God's question by passing the buck. His hope is to take the heat off himself and place it on someone else.

Note: he will now use his fallen nature in the same way that Eve used hers against him.

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Here Eve follows her husband's example. Instead of simply admitting her own failure, she will (like Adam) turn the focus to someone else. It was the serpent!

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a. (3:14-15) The serpent is sentenced – **WAR**.

Note that when it comes to sin there is no bartering or discussion! God not only responds quickly but harshly to sin. Yet God is patient toward us today not wanting any to perish.

The idea is this, because of your desire to exult yourself (Isaiah 14) above God, you will be humbled before the man you tried to destroy. And I will put enmity (a strong hate built on anger and fear) between your seed and the woman's seed until the coming day of judgment!

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b. (3:16) The woman is sentenced – **WOE**.

The woman's joy of bringing life into the world would now be accompanied with pain and sorrow. And the once loving husband she had would now rule over her with tyranny or with an unjust use of power and/or authority.

1 Peter 3:1-4, 7!

Because of the new nature within the believer we have been given a reprieve!

*In the same way, you **wives**, be submissive to your own husbands so that even if any of them are disobedient to the word, they may be won without a word by the behavior of the wives, as they observe your chaste and respectful behavior. Your adornment must not be merely external – braiding the hair, and wearing gold jewelry, or putting on dresses; but let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the imperishable quality of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is precious in the sight of God ... You **husbands** likewise live with your wives in an understanding way, as with a weaker vessel, since she is a woman, and grant her honor as a fellow heir of the grace of life, so that your prayers will not be hindered.*

Ephesians 5:22-25!

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Wives, be subject to your own husbands, as to the Lord, for the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also is the head of the church, He Himself being the Savior of the body. But as the church is subject to Christ, so also the wives ought to be (submissive) to their husbands in everything (context / in the Lord).

Husbands, love your wives just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her, so that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle of any such thing; but that she would be holy and blameless.

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c. (3:17-19) The man is sentenced – **WORK**.

1.) (3:17-19a) The **Unrewarding** toil.

2.) (3:19b) The **Unrelenting** terror.

Email: The Key to a Happy Life (Old People)!

It's time to use the money you saved! Use it and enjoy it. Don't just keep it for those who may have no notion of the sacrifices you made to get it. Enjoy the present moment. The sand in the clock may run out at any moment.

Proverbs 13:22!

A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children, and the wealth of the sinner is stored up for the righteous.

Mark 7:27!

Let the children be satisfied first; for it is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to dogs.

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4. (3:20-24) Adam is **SAVED** by God.

a. (3:20-21) God's **GRACE** on man's behalf.

1.) (3:20) Adam's **Confession**.

It is in this verse that we find Adam responding to the sentence of death with a statement of life. Here he calls his wife "Eve" because she was the "mother of all the living" (not of the dead). Here we are given a glimpse of Adam's understanding of the "Lord God's" mercy, grace, and love. Here we are introduced to something yet to come!

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2.) (3:21) Adam's **Covering**.

It will be in the perfect paradise of Eden that blood will first be shed for the sin of mankind. Adam and Eve must have been aghast as they watched, for the first time, the death of an innocent creature. Imagine the shame knowing that it would take the death of another (innocent) to cover their own personal sin and shame.

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To rescue the fallen couple God will now govern His act of grace. To keep man from remaining forever in his fallen state, He will remove the man from the garden (he must not be allowed to eat from the tree of life eternal). And to keep him from sneaking back in the garden (remember they have already learned how to hide) God will place a cherub with a flaming sword to guard the garden's entrance.

Lessons Learned Today!

1. While the Bible teaches that sin has its pleasure for a season, in the book of Genesis we learn that the season for sin's pleasure is extremely short. Yet the pain caused by sin lasts for a very long time.



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2. Often when we ask God for something and don't get it. Most often, this is God's way of protecting us from ourselves. God does not withhold from us that which is good and perfect (James 1:17). But He will withhold the things that will hinder us from being conformed to His likeness.



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3. When life becomes difficult (and we all know that it does) it is not because of God's lack of love for us. Sometimes it is the result of our disobedience before Him. Never forget that the fall, and it's effects, are our doing and not God's doing.

