Sermon Questions Genesis 3:8-24

This week we discussed three problems with sin and our need for a Savior. In Genesis 3 we learned that although God created a perfect world and a made human beings the crown of His creation (image-bearers) both Adam and Eve sinned. This sin changed our relationship with God, one another, and the world He created. Since we can't hide, avoid punishment or save ourselves we are in great need of mercy. Fortunately, God provided a promise that one day satan would be defeated and God would provide a way for mankind to be redeemed. Understanding God's Word in Genesis 3 provides the need for a Savior and demonstrates God's goodness in spite of our sin.

Here are some notes to review from this week's sermon...

The Problem with Sin Genesis 3:8-24

You can't...

Hide because the LORD God knows everything (8-13)

Avoid <u>punishment</u> because the LORD God is <u>holy</u> and just (14-19)

Deliver yourself because only the LORD God is merciful and compassionate (20-24)

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week you can now watch it here. After watching, please use the following questions (if you find them helpful) in your BRAVE groups (now online every weekday) or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group now is a great time to get involved. Please email to <a href="mailto-bravechurch.online/connect/group">bravechurch.online/connect/group</a> and we will get you connected with a community that will work for you.

## Questions

- 1. When Adam and Eve sinned what was their first response? Why did they make clothes of fig leaves? How did their response change once they heard the LORD God walking in the garden? Why?
- 2. Who does God address first? Why? What is the significance of God asking questions if He already knows the answers?
- 3. Why does Adam only become fearful once they hear the LORD God? How do you try and continue on in your sin without considering the LORD God? Why is it important to keep our eyes fixed upon the LORD God?

- 4. What were the three questions God posed to Adam? How many of them does He answer? Instead of answering any of the questions directly what does Adam do? Why does He blame the woman rather than take responsibility?
- 5. Who does God question after Adam? How does the woman respond to God's questions?
- 6. Why is blame a tool that we use? What is the purpose of blame? How do we believe that blame is helpful to us? When someone is blaming someone else what does that indicate about them?
- 7. How well did Adam and Eve do playing *Hide and Go Seek* with God? Why can't we hide in our sin? Even if we "take sin to the grave with us" why is that a problem?
- 8. Why is the sin of Adam any concern to us? How does His sin impact our relationship with God?
- 9. How does God deal with the serpent? Why doesn't He question the serpent? What are the punishments for the serpent? What is the significance of the serpent crawling on the dust and eating dust?
- 10. How do we begin to see the Gospel spelled out in Genesis 3:15? What promise does God make? Is the Gospel even necessary without the circumstances of Genesis 3?
- 11. What are the punishments God decides for the women? Why are these punishments significant?
- 12. What are the punishments God decides for Adam? Why are these punishments significant?
- 13. Can we avoid punishment when we sin? The LORD God told Adam that they would surely die if they ate off the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Was He telling the truth? Did Adam and Eve die? Does God still punish sin? How?
- 14. What did God curse in Genesis 3? What is the significance that He did not curse Adam or Eve (humankind)?
- 15. Did God still allow Adam and Eve to be fruitful and multiply despite their sin? What does this tell you about the mercy of God? How did God clothe them? Why did they need different clothing? Why did blood have to be shed? What is the significance of blood being shed to cover sin until Jesus Christ shed His blood once and for all?
- 16. How did God protect Adam and Eve from the tree of life? Why did He do that? What does that tell you about God's character?

17. What was the most significant truth God showed you this week? How can you apply that truth in your life today?