

Genesis 3



Go ahead,
Eeeve...

TASSSSSTE IT!!!



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ADAM & EVE

Read the Story: (Ages 3-11)

ONE DAY WHILE ADAM AND EVE WERE IN THE PERFECT GARDEN, A SERPENT CONVINCED EVE TO EAT THE FRUIT OF THE TREE THAT GOD TOLD HER NOT TO EAT. THE SERPENT LIED TO EVE, SAYING SHE WOULD BECOME LIKE GOD. THIS WAS A TEST FOR EVE TO SEE IF SHE REALLY LOVED AND TRUSTED GOD. ALTHOUGH EVE KNEW WHAT GOD TOLD HER, **HER WAYWARD HEART WANTED TO DISOBEY**. SHE TOOK AND ATE THE FRUIT. ADAM DIDN'T TRY TO STOP EVE FROM EATING THE FRUIT; HE EVEN ATE A PIECE HIMSELF WHEN EVE OFFERED HIM SOME. **HIS WAYWARD HEART WANTED TO DISOBEY ALSO**.

IN A MOMENT EVERYTHING CHANGED. THEIR HEARTS GREW SELFISH AND WANTED TO GO THEIR OWN WAY. INSTEAD OF FEELING GOOD INSIDE, THEY WANTED TO RUN AND HIDE. THEY DID NOT WANT GOD TO SEE THEM, BECAUSE THEY KNEW THEY WERE GUILTY OF DISOBEYING GOD.

WHILE GOD WAS TALKING TO ADAM AND EVE AFTER THEY SINNED, HE MADE A PROMISE TO THEM. A PROMISE THEY DID NOT DESERVE, A PROMISE GOD GAVE BECAUSE HE LOVED THEM. GOD SAID ONE DAY A CHILD WOULD BE BORN TO CONQUER SATAN AND FORGIVE ALL THE SINS OF THE ENTIRE WORLD.

GOD THEN BANISHED THEM FROM THE GARDEN. HE PUT AN ANGEL IN FRONT OF THE ENTRANCE, SO THEY COULD NOT ENTER AGAIN. THEY HAD DISOBEYED AND THE RESULT WAS TO BE SEPARATED FROM GOD FOREVER. THERE WAS NOTHING THEY COULD DO TO RESTORE WHAT WAS LOST, THEIR HEARTS WERE BROKEN... BUT, GOD HAD A PLAN TO COME AND SAVE THEM!

Look at the character of God: (Ages 5-11)

A GOOD JUDGE DOES WHAT IS RIGHT. HE DOES NOT IGNORE THE EVIDENCE, BUT BRINGS JUSTICE. GOD SET THE STANDARD FOR RIGHT AND WRONG; HE TOLD ADAM AND EVE NOT TO EAT THE FRUIT OF THAT ONE TREE, AND THEY DISOBEYED. SINCE GOD IS A GOOD JUDGE, HE PUNISHED THEIR SIN; BUT BECAUSE HE LOVED THEM, HE PROMISED TO SEND A SAVIOR TO REDEEM THEM.

What it means for you: (Ages 8-11)

EVERYONE IS BORN WITH A WAYWARD HEART AND WE DON'T NATURALLY LOVE GOD OR OTHERS. WE WANT OUR OWN WAY, JUST LIKE ADAM AND EVE. EVEN WITH OUR SELFISH HEARTS, GOD LOVES US. WE DESERVE DEATH BECAUSE OF OUR SIN, GOD'S GRACE IS AMAZING AND SAVES US FROM THE PUNISHMENT WE DESERVE. EVERY SINGLE DAY WE HAVE A CHOICE TO FOLLOW GOD OR OUR OWN WAYWARD HEART.



ADAM

Adam was the first man God created. He was formed out of the dust of the earth, and God breathed life into him.



EVE

Eve means "life," and "life-giving," or "mother of all who have life," and her life is in us all.



Memory Verse:

For ALL have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

- Romans 3:23



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Application Questions:

Ages 5-7:

What was the punishment for their sin?

(Adam and Eve were banned from the garden. They were separated from God and sent out of the garden to die.)

Even though Adam and Eve messed up, did God stop loving them?

(NO! God loved them so much He promised to send them a Savior!)

Who's fault was it that Adam and Eve disobeyed God?

(Adam and Eve's wayward hearts are to blame for their sin.)

Ages 8-11:

Why did Adam and Eve disobey God? Have you ever disobeyed?

(We have wayward hearts that are selfish and want to do what we want.)

It was only a bite, do you think Adam and Eve really deserved to be punished?

(God is a good judge and as such He punished their sin.)

Why do you think Adam and Eve wanted to be like God?

(Our wayward hearts want to love ourselves more than we love our Creator. Every time we sin we choose our heart's desire over God's desire for us.)



Object Lesson: Don't lose your mellow!

Pass out a giant marshmallow to each child, instruct them NOT to touch it until the end of the lesson. Give this instruction only once. After the lesson, see how many kids followed the rule. Throw away all the marshmallows that have been nibbled, licked, pinched and half devoured.

Use this lesson to show that we've all disobeyed and made mistakes. Our mistakes have consequences. To calm the grumbling, talk about how gracious you are and that you brought extras just because you love them. Every kid gets a marshmallow. They'll have two if they successfully followed instructions! Talk about how God's grace is unmerited.



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Anything we think, say,
do or don't do that does
not please God is called
SIN.

We disobey God
because our HEARTS
want to!

"For ALL have sinned and
fall short of the glory of
God."

- Romans 3:23

Stick this
marker in your
favorite Bible
to help you
remember the
lesson!



MAIN POINT

MANKIND DISOBEYED GOD BECAUSE OUR HEARTS WANTED TO.



THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE:

FOR ALL HAVE SINNED AND FALL SHORT OF THE GLORY OF GOD. ROMANS 3:23

The Characters:



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EVE
Eve means "life" or "life-giving," or "mother of all who have life," and her life is in us all.



SNAKE
The serpent was more crafty than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made.



Heather's WORD find

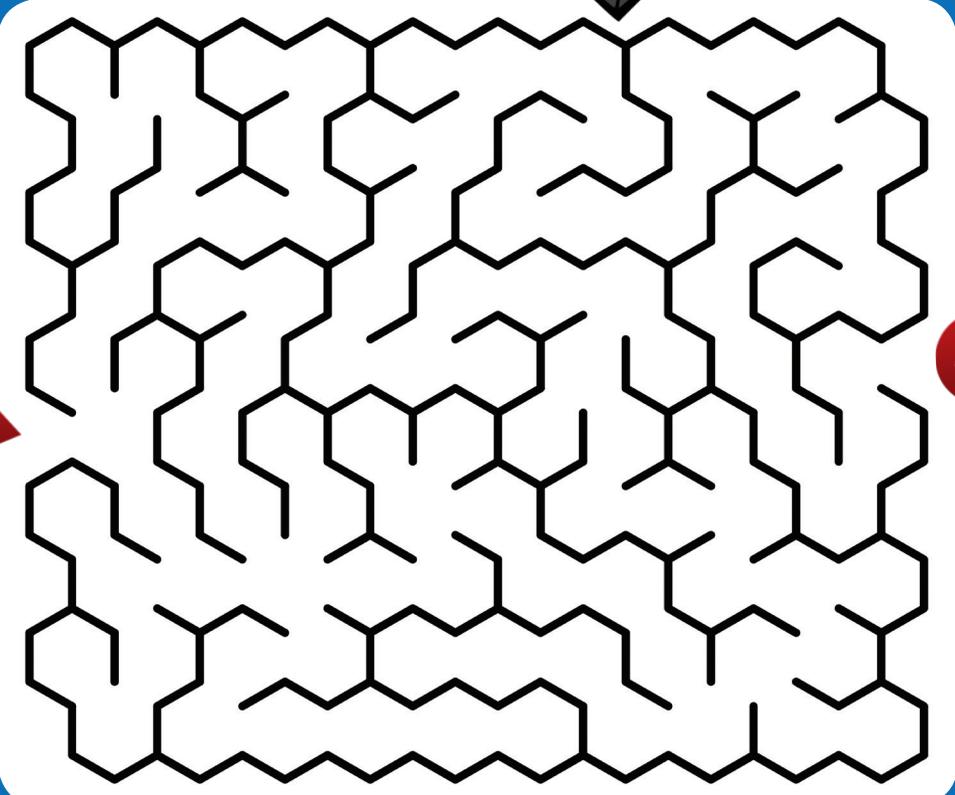
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ADAM **EVE**
SNAKE **SIN**
FRUIT **HEART**

FUN!



Ah-MAZE-ing Bus



Weekly OUTREACH challenge!

This week, make cookies to take to a neighbor. Be kind, just for fun!

Prayer Requests: Got a prayer request? Keep track of it here!

God is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think. - Eph. 3:20

Family

Friends

Neighbors

School

Thanks/Praises

Fears



Neighbors

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Eph. 3:20

Friends

Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the Lord.

Psalm 31:24

Family

Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:58

School

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.

Joshua 1:9

Thanks/Praises

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

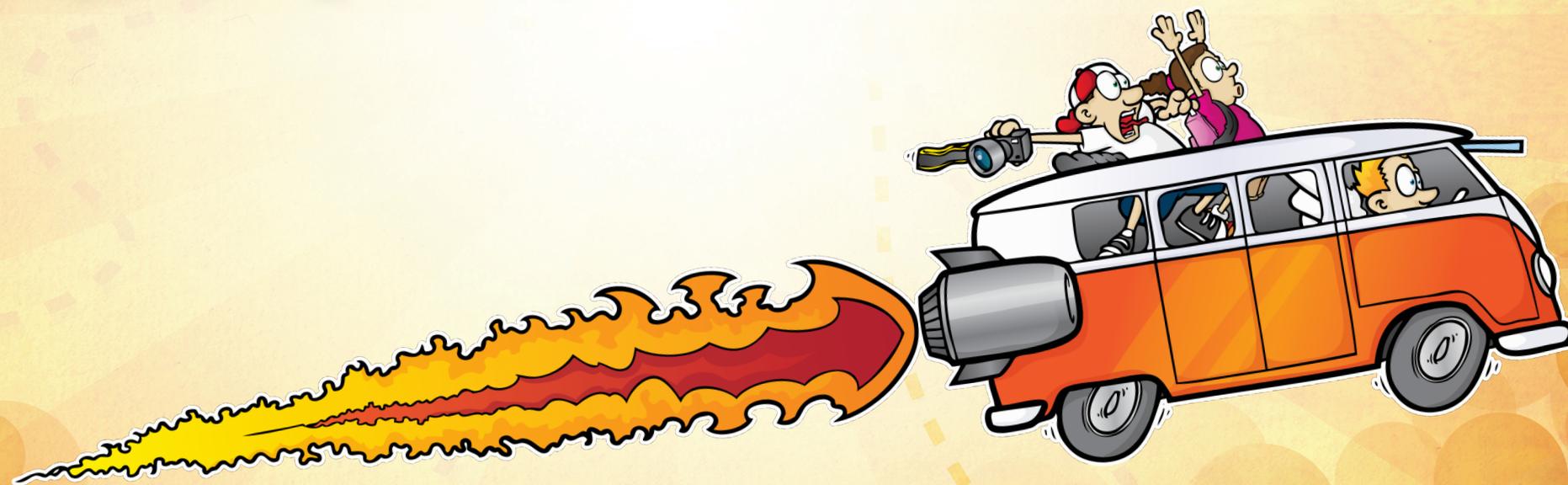
Fears

God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline.

2 Timothy 1:7

SEE YOU

NEXT WEEK!



We'll meet you at the next stop!