

The Fall of Adam and Eve

I. What is sin? What is a transgression?

1. Humans sin against God (Ps. 51:4).
 - 1) Sin is sin when God calls it sin.
 - 2) All sin is unrighteous but not all unrighteousness is sin; ‘unrighteousness’ is a larger term, including sin.
2. Sin is lawlessness—acting as though God has no restraints, limits (1 Jn. 3:4).
3. A transgression is breaking a negative law from God (Rom. 4:15).

II. The temptation to Eve (Gen. 3:1-6).

1. Satan’s deceitful ploy to Eve, using the pre-curse snake.
 - 1) No being in the universe had experienced physical death.
 - 2) Most of what Satan states is true (about 90%).
 - i. They will know good and evil.
 - ii. Their eyes will be opened to their own desires.
 - iii. They will be like gods.
 - 3) The lie was that they will not die—no consequences.
2. Eve was completely deceived (2 Cor. 11:3; 1 Tim. 2:13-14).
3. Eve transgressed a law from God.
4. Eve determined to be wise: know good and evil.

III. The Temptation of Adam (Gen. 3:6, 12).

1. Adam saw that Eve no longer had a garment of light.
2. Would he join her in her state, or would he remain in his state and be separated from her?
3. Adam determined to be in the same condition as Eve, rather than remain different, keeping God’s image.
4. Adam sinned (Rom. 5:12).

IV. The consequences of the transgressions of Adam and Eve.

1. The woman is cursed.
 - 1) The birth process is sped up and becomes painful.
 - 2) The woman becomes the lesser in the hierarchy of the home.
2. The ground and plant life are cursed, changed.
3. Adam is not directly cursed.

The Dispensation of Innocence

Scriptures: Genesis. 1:26-3:6

Lor God

Steward

Steward's realm of authority, the rules

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Household

Test

The Failure

Notable components of this dispensation:

Waters above—canopy

Climatic conditions

Pre-fall flora and fauna

Image of God

Likeness of God

Communication with God