



**BEGINNING**  
**OF VICTORY**  
A STUDY OF GENESIS  
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## 6. THE BEGINNING OF SIN

### 1. How did the serpent tempt Eve?"

- He created doubt "Indeed has God said..."
- Starts with an extreme "Indeed has God said, 'You shall not eat from any tree of the garden?'"
- What we see here is a problem we will see throughout Genesis. The issue of trusting in God.
  - God says...but men don't believe

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2. Considering Genesis 2:9, had God been trying to withhold what was pleasant and good from the first couple?

- “Out of the ground the LORD God caused to grow every tree that’s pleasing to the sight and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.”
- Adam and Eve had everything.

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3. What truth did the serpent convey and how did he lie?

- He spoke of God: “Indeed has God said...”
- He spoke of the elements of the command: Eat, Tree

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4. What was the initial result of their sin?

- The eyes of both of them were opened
- They knew they were naked
- They sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loin coverings

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5. Why do you think God called out, "Where are you?"

- He knew where they were
- It was for their sake. Emphasizing their shame and hiding.

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6. How did Adam and Eve both deal with this opportunity to confess and repent?

- They played the blame game
  - Adam: “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me from the tree, and I ate.”
  - Eve: “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

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7. What curse did God place on the serpent, the woman, and the man?

- Serpent: cursed more than any of the cattle. On his belly he would go, and eat dust.
- Woman: Greatly multiply her pain in childbirth. Desire would be for her husband.
- Man: The ground is cursed. Must toil now for food.



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8. How does man's curse hearken back to the partnership we discussed in the last lesson?

- God had given Adam work to do, Genesis 2:5, 15.
- Life is now going to become much harder

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9. According to Genesis 3:22-24, what other consequences did the first couple face because they did not heed God?

- VS 21: The LORD made garments for them
- VS 22: Separated from the tree of life and removed from the garden
- They were removed from their land.

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10. Considering Leviticus 26, what message did Israel need to understand from this account of Adam and Eve's sin and punishment?

- Leviticus 26: Blessings and Cursings
  - VS 1-13: Blessings "If you walk..."
  - VS 14: "But if you do not obey Me and do not carry out all these commandments..."
  - If they don't obey, it will be terrible for them

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11. Look again at the curse on the serpent. What would happen between the serpent and the woman, the serpent's seed and the woman's?

- "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."

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12. What will ultimately happen between the woman's seed and the serpent's?

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13. Clearly, there is some application of this between snakes and men, do you think that is all God is promising here? Why or why not?

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14. How do we see the beginning of victory in this promise to the serpent?