

Study Guide for November 23rd, 2008. The Aftermath of Sin. Genesis 3:8-24.

Introduction: Describe a time you gained insight into the long-term consequences of some sinful action. Who was affected? When did you regain a sense of hope?

I. The Confession after the Confrontation: (Gen. 3:8-13)

- A. How do the man and woman react to God's presence? What does this reveal?
- B. What questions does God ask? Why do you think God approaches man this way?
- C. How would you evaluate the response of the man (vs. 12) and the woman (vs. 13)?
- D. How have you seen yourself blaming others or rationalizing away your sin?
- E. Do you think Adam and Eve grasped the consequences of their sin? (Rom. 5:12)

II. The Verdict and the Promise: (Gen 3:14-20)

- A. What is the significance of the order God follows in addressing the individuals?
- B. What judgment is pronounced on the serpent? (see Ps. 72:8-9 & Mic. 7:16-19)
- C. Who is the offspring (or seed) of the woman? Who is the serpent's offspring?
- D. Relate Rom. 16:20 and Heb. 2:14-18 to Gen. 3:15. How does this give us hope?
- E. How does God's punishment fit the crime . . .
. . . for the woman (vs. 16)? . . . for Adam (17-19)?
- F. What ramifications are still evident today from God's pronouncement?
- G. What does Adam's act of naming his wife "Eve" indicate?
- H. Read and relate Rom. 5:15-17 to this account in Gen. 3:14-20)

III. The Clothing and the Consequences: (Gen. 3:21-24)

- A. What does God provide for Adam and his wife? What does this reveal about God?
- B. What would have happened if the man had access to the tree of life in his fallen / sinful state? How did becoming like God prevent the man from being with God?
- C. How will man once again gain access to the tree of life? (see Rev. 2:7, 22:2,14, 19)

