



THE BEGINNING  
**THE BEGINNING OF THE GOSPEL**  
GENESIS 3:8-24

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1. Look \_\_\_\_\_  
(vv. 8-10, 21)

Genesis 3:8-24 (ESV)

8 And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" 10 And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." 11 He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" 12 The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." 13 Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

2. Take \_\_\_\_\_  
(vv. 11-13)

14 The LORD God said to the serpent,  
"Because you have done this,  
cursed are you above all livestock  
and above all beasts of the field;  
on your belly you shall go,  
and dust you shall eat  
all the days of your life.

3. Trust \_\_\_\_\_  
(vv. 14-15, 20)

15 I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel." 16 To the woman he said, "I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be contrary to your husband, but he shall rule over you."

4. Build \_\_\_\_\_  
(v. 16)

17 And to Adam he said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, 'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life; 18 thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. 19 By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

5. Work \_\_\_\_\_  
(vv. 17-19)

20 The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. 21 And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

22 Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of us in knowing good and evil. Now, lest he reach out his hand and take also of the tree of life and eat, and live forever—" 23 therefore the LORD God sent him out from the garden of Eden to work the ground from which he was taken. 24 He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.

6. Anticipate \_\_\_\_\_  
(vv. 22-24)

## APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. As you consider the various glimpses of grace in this passage, which one was most meaningful to you? How should that impact your outlook and actions this week?
2. **Read 1 John 1:9-10.** What things/people are you most tempted to blame for your sin? Why is blaming others counterproductive in response to sin?
3. In a sin-cursed world, what might people look to for hope besides Christ? How might you be tempted to put hope in these things, and why is hoping in anything but Christ ultimately futile?
4. **Read Ecclesiastes 2:18-26.** While your work and your home will feel the effects of Genesis 3 this week, how should the grace we find in Christ change our perspective from despair to one of joy this week?
5. **Read Revelation 22:1-5.** What excites you most about this future scene of renewed fellowship with God in heaven? How should this reality encourage or challenge you this week?

### RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

*Here are some books which may help you dig deeper into what we studied today. While Pastor Ben cannot endorse everything about each book/author, he does think these books are worth considering and reading.*

MacArthur, John. *The Battle for the Beginning*. Nelson Books, 2001.

Piper, John. *Future Grace*. Multnomah. 2012.

Ross, Allen P. *Creation and Blessing*. Bake Books, 1998.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for more people to look in faith to Christ – the only hope for redemption from the curse.

Pray that homes, workplaces, and lives would be transformed by the gospel this week.

Pray for the Men's Retreat this upcoming weekend would transform men as they consider the theme of "A Better Country."

Pray that 2023 is the most faithful and fruitful year of evangelism in your life.

Pray that God will provide a long-term home for CBCTV through the Taking Ground project.

### REVIVAL FROM THE BIBLE READING

Date	Old Testament	New Testament
10/23	Proverbs 24-26	Hebrews 5
10/24	Proverbs 27-29	Hebrews 6
10/25	Proverbs 30-31	Hebrews 7
10/26	Job 1-3	Hebrews 8
10/27	Job 4-7	Hebrews 9
10/28	Job 8-10	Hebrews 4