



GO BACK TO THE BEGINNING

GENESIS 3:14-24

Hope for Paradise Lost

The Literary Structure of Genesis 3:14-19



The Judgment on the Serpent (vv. 14-15)

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. 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."

The curse of the serpent

The conquest of Satan

THE CONFLICT

The "Serpent" offspring ----- bruised head

The Woman offspring ----- bruised heel

The _____



THE CONQUEST
John 12:31-32

The Judgment on the Woman (v. 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."

Trouble with pregnancy and pain in childbirth

Conflict and control with her husband

The Judgment on the Man (vv.17-19)

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; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. 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."

The curse upon the ground

Difficulty and death with the earth

The Lifelong Significance of Genesis 3:20-24

The Future for Humanity

The Covering for Adam and Eve

The Expulsion from Eden

The _____

For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ROMANS 8:19-21

The answer to the curse of sin is the curse of sin that was borne by The _____ .

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DEVOTIONAL & HOME GROUP STUDY

And the Lord God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.
GENESIS 3:21

“Adam and Eve had to decide whether God or Satan was lying. They decided that God was.”

WILLIAM MACDONALD

“No matter how hard people try to do away with male dominion, agonizing labor, painful childbearing and death, these evils will continue because sin is present. They are fruits of sin.”

ALLEN ROSS

“First, all sin affects others. Eve’s sin affected Adam, and Adam’s sin affects the entire race. No one sins totally in private without ramifications in relation to others. All that we do or fail to do affects few or many in one way or another. Second, sin, once committed, can never be undone. Forgiveness can be experienced and fellowship restored, but history cannot be changed or erased. ... Yet there is another side to both ramifications. Sin affects others, but so do grace and goodness. History cannot be erased, but the future can be different (better) because we learn the lessons of history. ... The Fall affected all human beings, bringing depravity and death, and it will always be the darkest hour of all human history; yet where sin abounded, grace superabounds, and the one who does the will of God abides forever (Rom 5:20; 1 Jn 2:17).”

CHARLES RYRIE

“Ironically, when the human race, created like God (cf. 1:26), sought to ‘be like God’ (3:5-7), they found themselves after the fall no longer with God. As such, happiness does not consist of being like God as much as it does being with God (cf. Ps 16:11).”

JOHN SAILHAMER

Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal His truth and wisdom as you go through this lesson.

1. Read Genesis 3:14-24. Why is the third chapter of Genesis so important?
2. Why do you suppose God chose those specific consequences for Adam and for Eve?
3. How have you seen the effects of God’s decrees here carried out in your life today?
4. Read Romans 8:1-21. Why is salvation in Christ the only hope for us in our fallen state?
5. What thoughts from the sermon were particularly insightful for you, and why?
6. What have you learned about God from the way He dealt with the first human sinners? How does that make you want to respond?

THE LITERARY STRUCTURE OF GENESIS 2:4–3:24

- A:** Creation of man: his happy relationship with the earth and his home in the garden where he has freely growing food and access to the tree of life (2:4-17)
- B:** Creation of woman: her happy relationship with man (2:18-25)
- C:** Deceit by the Serpent: in conversation with the woman (3:1-5)
 - X:** The sin and God’s uncovering (3:6-13)
- C’:** Punishment of serpent: its spoiled relationship with the woman (3:14-15)
- B’:** Punishment of woman: her spoiled relationship with man (3:16)
- A’:** Punishment of man: his spoiled relationship with the earth and expulsion from his home in the garden; he will now have to toil to secure food and will no longer have access to the tree of life (3:17-24)

David Dorsey, *The Literary Structure of the Old Testament*, p. 50

A WONDERFUL OFFER

Being a Christian isn’t based on membership in a local church or keeping a set of rules. It involves a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and an understanding of who He is and what He has done to provide man with a way to experience God’s love for us. Here’s how to know Jesus Christ as your personal Savior:

1. Realize that you are sinful and separated from God. (Romans 3:23; Isaiah 53:6)
2. Recognize that the penalty for your sin is death—eternal separation from God and all that is good. (Romans 6:23; Hebrews 9:27)
3. Understand that Jesus Christ took the penalty for your sin by dying in your place and that He rose again. (Romans 5:8; 2 Corinthians 5:21)
4. Receive the free gift of salvation by trusting in Christ alone as your Savior. (Romans 4:4-5; Ephesians 2:8-9)

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.” (John 3:16 NASB) You can use this prayer to express your decision to God:

“Dear God, I know that I am a sinner. I believe that Jesus Christ died on the cross for me and rose from the dead. I trust in Him alone as the only way to get right with You. Thank You for the forgiveness of sins and the eternal life I now have. Amen.”

COMING UP AT CHRIST CHAPEL

Here’s a glimpse at what you need to know for this week at Christ Chapel. If you’d like to find out even more, visit www.ccbcfamily.org/events.

BE A PART OF AN AUTHENTIC PASSOVER EXPERIENCE, and join us, along with David Teitelbaum, D.O., as he leads us through Seder, the ceremonial beginning to Passover. We hope to see you there! We’ll gather in The Oak Room on Tuesday, March 26, at 7 p.m., and if you would like to learn more, please visit www.ccbcfamily.org/easter.

TENEBRAE which means “the darkening,” is a moving Good Friday service recounting Jesus’ life and death through music and communion. Join us on Friday, March 29, at 6 or 7:30 p.m. as we prepare our hearts and minds for Easter. Please note that we recommend children ages ten and under not attend due to the dramatic nature of the service. Learn more by visiting www.ccbcfamily.org/easter.

JESUS IS ALIVE, and we’re excited to celebrate this truth with you during Easter weekend! We’ll be having worship services, both traditional and contemporary, on Saturday, March 30, and Sunday, March 31, across all three of our locations. If you’ll be gathering to celebrate with us, please visit www.ccbcfamily.org/easter and let us know by setting up a Reservation Reminder.

LET’S ASK THIS EASTER! Our prayer is for more people to come and see that Jesus is alive. So, let’s ask! Invite someone to join the Easter celebration this year and watch what God does. One invite to Easter could be someone’s start to knowing Jesus as Savior. If you invite someone and they have questions, let them know they can find out all the details about our celebration at www.ccbcfamily.org/easter.

KIDSCAMP IS COMING UP! The gospel is for everyone— and that’s why KidsCamp exists! We’re on a mission to tell every boy and girl that God’s invitation of forgiveness and love is for them! From the joy-filled games with friends to the discovery of God’s Words in the Bible, one week of KidsCamp could begin another chapter of deeper faith. Register today at www.ccbcfamily.org/kidscamp.

SPECIAL ONE-DAY EMBARK CLASS
Embark is our new “Get to know Christ Chapel” class — great for anyone who wants to learn more about us or is considering membership. This month, we’re offering three sessions of Embark in one Saturday morning! Join us on Saturday, March 23, from 9 a.m. to noon to learn about our beliefs, vision and values. Register or get more info at www.ccbcfamily.org/embark.



LOOKING FOR THE CONNECT CARD? Scan the QR code here to fill out a Connect Card. Our team will reach out this week to answer your questions and tell you more about Christ Chapel.

IF YOU’D LIKE TO GIVE AN OFFERING TODAY, YOU CAN DO SO STRAIGHT FROM YOUR PHONE. The process is quick and easy-text GIVE to 24253 to get started.