



#### Why Did Jesus Come?

Jesus didn't come to make bad people good but to make dead people alive!



#### **Three Questions**

#### **Focus on Jesus**

- 1. Why do we need Jesus?
- 2. What did Jesus do for us?
- 3. How do we receive salvation through Jesus?



#### Why Do We Need Jesus?

- 1. Sin
- 2. Spiritual death
- 3. Physical death
- 4. Judgment
- 5. Hell
- 6. Wrath of God
- 7. Eternal death

#### What Did Jesus Do For Us?

- 1. Created the universe
- 2. Born of a virgin and became a man
- 3. Lived a sinless life
- 4. Went to the cross
- 5. Had all of our sin placed upon Him
- 6. Separated from the Father

#### What Did Jesus Do For Us?

- 7. Suffered our punishment, experiencing the full wrath of the Father for our sins.
- 8. Died on the cross.
- 9. Placed in a tomb.
- 10. Rose from the dead.
- 11. Ascended to the right hand of the Father.
- 12. Waiting to return and restore the Kingdom of God over all creation.

# How Do We Receive Salvation through Jesus?

- 1. Repentance
- 2. Faith







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The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. And the LORD God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die."

**Genesis 2:15-17** 

Notice that God is only talking to Adam as Eve had not been created yet. Here we find the first "law" given by God. Do you also notice that Adam was told only one thing not to do? He was free to do everything else but this one thing.

Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?"

**Genesis 3:1** 

Satan is very cunning and knows how to work us. What did Satan do first? He began by questioning what God said to get Eve to doubt. That's the way he starts with us as well, getting us to doubt God's word.

The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die."

Genesis 3:2-3

I wonder if God told Eve as well about this law or if Adam told her? Notice that Eve adds something that was not mentioned in 2:15-17. She adds that they must not touch the fruit as well as not eat it. Looks like she was adding to the law just like people have done ever since.

"You will not certainly die," the serpent said to the woman. "For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

Genesis 3:4-5

Satan calls God a liar to get Eve to doubt God's character, His goodness, His intent and His provision for her and Adam. He is telling her that God is holding back something good from her. Then he tempts her with "THE LIE" that she will become like God or be her own god if she eats the fruit. Don Carson says that in the original Hebrew the implication is that by eating the fruit they would become like God in the sense of determining for themselves what is right and wrong.

When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.

Genesis 3:6

Notice how the fruit tempts her. It looked good- appealed to her flesh. It was pleasing to her eye- appealed to her emotions. She thought it would make her wiser- appealed to her mind. This is how we are tempted as well.

She gave some to Adam as he was standing next to her waiting to see what would happen to her. He did not exercise his headship over her but allowed her to do what he wanted to do. Later he blames God for giving her to him. He was saying it was God's fault for what happened. This shows that there is nothing new under the sun as the same is going on today, playing the blame game.

Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

Genesis 3:7

They didn't experience what they thought they would from what Satan said. That is the way of Satan and sin, great promises but empty, deadly consequences. They did die, death in relationship to God means separation from Him.



#### In the Garden

- 1. Doubt God's word
- 2. Doubt God's character
- 3. Doubt God's goodness and provision
- 4. Told to take control and be like God



# **How Sin Begins**

- 1. Unbelief
- 2. Idolatry
- 3. Rebellion























## SOMEONE WILL PAY THE PRICE FOR YOUR SINS. Will it be YOU or JESUS?

