

# The Gospel in the Old Testament

Lesson 1: In the beginning, God created . . .

- The first lesson in the Bible
- The glory of God is seen in creation – Psalm 19:1.
- The Genesis Account challenges human wisdom.
- Creation is geocentric – and designed for man.
- The foundational truth
- Do not be ashamed.

Lesson 2 – Genesis 2-3

- The second lesson in the Bible
- A lesson in 2 parts:
  - The place of man in creation
  - The death of man

The fundamentals of salvation:

- Creation and Corruption
- God is magnificent – man is depraved.
- “The mighty gulf”

## **Creation of man and woman — Genesis 2**

### **Man – lower than angels and crowned with glory and honor**

- ▶ The creation of man explained
- ▶ The place of man and woman in creation

### **Man in the earth (2:4-17)**

- ▶ Man and plant life – a career and food
- ▶ The unique creation of man
  - Formed from the earth
  - Breath of God
- ▶ The Garden of Eden
  - Planted by God
  - Man's workplace
- ▶ Two trees:
  - Tree of Life
  - Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil
  - A mystery

### **Man and woman (2:18-24)**

- ▶ Not good for man to be alone.
  - Animals life not sufficient
  - The unique creation of woman
  - The need: A suitable helper
  - Must be of Adam's flesh (and spirit)
- ▶ A type of Christ.
  - A spiritual helper
  - Psalm 30:10 – “O LORD, be my helper.”
  - Psalm 54:4 – “God is my helper”
  - Hebrews 13:6 – “The Lord is my helper.”

### **Naked and not ashamed (2:25)**

# The Fall of man– Genesis 3:1-6

## The Serpent; the Devil (accuser); Satan (adversary)

### The temptation

- ▶ Subtle
- ▶ Undermine faith in the Word of God
  - Tested her knowledge of the Truth
  - Denied the Truth
  - Offered the blessing of God apart from Truth

### The sin (Eve)

- ▶ A good beginning
- ▶ Trust self v. trust God's Word.
  - Good for food
  - Pleasant to the eyes
  - Desired to make wise
- ▶ She took of the fruit and ate
- ▶ She gave to her husband

### The sin (Adam)

- ▶ Gen. 3:17: “You have listened to the voice of your wife.”
- ▶ 1 Tim. 2:13-14 – Adam was not deceived
- ▶ Entry of sin into the world – Romans 5:12f

## The wages of sin – Genesis 3:7-24

### “You shall surely die!” (Genesis 2:17)

- ▶ Eyes opened
- ▶ Sewed fig leaves
- ▶ Hid from the presence of God
- ▶ Palliated their sins
- ▶ Ignorant of God

### The Curse of God

- ▶ The Serpent
  - Eat dust – symbol of defeat  
Psalm 72:8-9; Isa. 49:23; Micah 7:16-17
  - *Protevangelium*  
Enmity between Satan and the woman  
Bruised/broken head – by the Seed of the woman
- ▶ The woman
  - Pain in childbirth
  - Pain in helping
- ▶ The man
  - Pain in work
  - Death

### The prayer of Habakkuk (3:2)

- ▶ The hope of Lamech (Genesis 5:29)
- ▶ The prayer of Jabez (1 Chronicles 4:9-10)

### The goodness of God

- ▶ God (Elohim) v. LORD God (YHWH Elohim)
- ▶ The Seeker
- ▶ The Promise
- ▶ The Substitute
- ▶ The Eviction

Q9. WHAT DOES THIS TEXT TEACH ABOUT SALVATION?

God is Great

Man is dead in trespasses and sins

God is Good