

Genesis 3—The Fall  
“Driven from the Presence of God”

Man's Fall Into Sin 3:1-6

Man's Cover-Up 3:7

The LORD God's Pursuit of Sinners 3:8-13

The LORD God's Judgment of Sinners 3:14-24

## The Account in Genesis 3

Genesis 3 gives mankind an historical account of man's fall into sin. This account is entirely accurate *in toto*, and is unique in that it is the ONLY extant record of this event. Furthermore, it will always be the ONLY record of man's fall, for it was given by the All-Knowing God Who, apart from the direct participants, was the ONLY other One present.

Thus, this account in Genesis 3 is:

--real history with real people in real time/space

--not parabolic, mythological or allegorical

--a straightforward chronicle of events just as they actually occurred

--profitable for doctrine

reproof

correction

instruction in righteousness

What does Genesis 3 teach us about God Himself?

The LORD God is:

HOLY  
JUDGE

A RIGHTEOUS

VERACIOUS

FAITHFUL

TRUSTWORTHY

RELIABLE

CONSISTENT

IMMUTABLE

GRACIOUS

LOVING

REDEEMING  
(INITIATOR)

PURSUING

SAVING

FORGIVING

SOVEREIGN

WISE

“Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;  
and His greatness is unsearchable!

(Psalm 145:3)

## Comparing Genesis 2:16-17 with 3:1-5

He said, she said, God said!

G: Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat.

*S: You shall not eat of every tree of the garden?*

E: We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden.

Concerning the tree of the knowledge of  
good and evil:

G: you shall not eat.

*S: (You shall not eat of every tree of the garden?)*

E: you shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it.

Concerning penalty for disobedience, “in the day  
that you eat of it:”

G: you shall surely die. (Dying, you shall die.)

*S: you will not surely die. (NOT you shall surely die.)*

E: lest you die.

# WHO inhabited the Serpent of Genesis 3?

The Devil

Satan

Murderer

Liar, and the Father of Lies

Tempter

Perverter

Counterfeiter

Slanderer

Sinner

Oppressor

THE EVIL ONE

# Man's Fall Into Sin

Genesis 3:1-6

DOUBT

DISTORTION

DENIAL

DEFAMATION

DEIFICATION

DEATH

## Man's Cover-up

## Genesis 3:7

--eyes of both of them were opened

--they knew that they were naked

--they sewed fig leaves together and made  
themselves coverings

# The LORD God's Pursuit of Sinners

## Genesis 3:8-13

--God pursues in person :8

--God pursues in word :9

--God pursues in insight :11

--God pursues in conviction :13



# God's Judgment of Sinners

## Genesis 3:14-24

Judgment on the Serpent :14

Judgment on the Devil :15

Judgment on the Woman :16

--increased pain in childbirth

--unfulfilled desire to dominate husband

Judgment on the Man :17-19

--ground is cursed

~~from it: thorns and thistles

~~to it: man's body at death

--labor is altered

~~becomes toil, work

~~is intensified: "by the sweat of your brow"

# God's Judgment of Sinners—continued

## Genesis 3:14-24

### Expulsion from the Garden of Eden 3:20-24

Adam names his wife :20

Blood is shed for a proper covering :21

God's kindness to sinners :22

Man is driven out of the Garden :23-24

## Genesis 3 and Depravity

Seduction	:1-5
Disobedience	:6
Guilt	:7
Spiritual Death	:8-9
Sinful Nature	:10
Sinful Denial	:11-13
Physical Death	:19
Transmitted Depravity	5:3
Total Depravity	6:5
Unchanging Depravity	8:21

## Genesis 3: some theological questions

When did Satan fall?

When did The Fall of Man occur?

Why did the Fall occur?

*God ordained the Fall of man into sin.*

Daniel 4:35

Genesis 50:20

Psalms 115:3

Ephesians 1:11