

GENESIS –Lesson 13

Learn: But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation. For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, Who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him. I Thessalonians 5:8-10

Read: Genesis 3:1-24

The serpent had promised that they would acquire wisdom and become as gods, knowing good and evil. Instead, there came over them the realization of what they had done and shame enveloped them. They were now corrupted by their disobedience and they became acutely aware of their nakedness. The result was that they suddenly desired to hide their nakedness from each other and from God.

They quickly tried to fashion crude aprons of fig leaves together to try to cover themselves, but of course, such aprons could hardly cover the guilt of their rebellion against God. THE GENESIS RECORD p. 115 Dr. Henry Morris

1. People often try to cover their sinful hearts with their own self-made “righteousness.” What does God’s Word tell us?
Hebrews 4:12, 13

Proverbs 15:3

Isaiah 64:6

2. What is needed to cover our guilt before God?
Isaiah 61:10

3. What was the relationship of Adam and Eve with God before their rebellion? v 8a

God was “walking in the garden in the cool of the day.” The way in which this is stated indicates that this was a normal event, an appointed time at which the Lord met them for communion and fellowship. This is what is called a “theophany”, in which the Word of

God, Christ preincarnate (Jesus, before He came to earth as a baby), clothed Himself in human form in order to communicate with those that He had created in His own image
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4. What are some other times that Jesus appeared to men before His incarnation? The incarnation was when Jesus took on a human body that He will keep forever.
Genesis 17:1

Genesis 18:1-33

Genesis 32:24-30

Exodus 33:11

Joshua 5:13-15

We have no way of knowing how long this period of fellowship between God and man lasted. It was at least long enough for the Satanic rebellion and expulsion to have taken place in heaven. However, it was not long enough for Adam and Eve to have begotten children. – Dr. Henry Morris

5. After Adam and Eve ate the forbidden fruit, how was their relationship with God changed? vv 8-10

The fact that Adam and Eve did feel shame at what they had done showed that there was hope for their salvation. When sinners feel no guilt or shame, there is no remedy but judgment and condemnation.

It may be noted incidentally that the shame of nudity is no artificial inhibition introduced by the conventions of civilization, as certain anthropologists and self-serving sophisticates have urged. It has its source in this primeval awareness of sin, and is only discarded when the moral conscience has been so hardened as to lose all sensitivity to sin.

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6. Since Adam and Eve were ashamed of their nakedness because of sin. What then is the explanation for nudist colonies? See the above paragraph.

7. Is clothing worn only by human beings?

Explain using Scripture below.

Revelation 19:14

Revelation 1:13

Acts 1:9- 11

Revelation 6:9-11

8. Except for the brief period of Edenic innocence, nakedness before anyone other than one's own husband or wife is, in the Bible, considered shameful. What do the following passages tell us?

Genesis 9:22-25

Exodus 32:25

Revelation 3:18

9. When God questioned Adam, he replied that he was hiding because of his nakedness. What question did God ask Adam to expose his sin? v 11

10. At this point Adam did not confess his sin, though God gave him the chance to do so. How did Adam respond to God's question? v 12

11. Who did Adam imply was really to blame? v 12

12. Then God turned to Eve and asked her what she had done. What was Eve's answer to God? v13

So rapidly had sin taken over the hearts of both Adam and Eve, that when God began to question them, neither was willing to acknowledge their personal guilt. God's questions, of course, were not to obtain information, but rather to encourage Adam and Eve to acknowledge and repent of their sin. Though they were sorry they had been discovered and were no doubt fearful of the consequences, there is no indication of true repentance, but rather merely an attempt to justify themselves. There was no course of action for the Lord except to initiate punishment- but a punishment which would be corrective and redemptive as well.

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13. Adam disobeyed and Eve was deceived, what was the serpent's part?
Genesis 3:1-5, 13

14. What did the LORD God pronounce on the serpent?
a. the animal serpent- v 14

b. "The Serpent" that took over the body of the animal (that is Satan, the enemy of God and men). v 15

15. What other curses did God pronounce at this time because of Adam and Eve's disobedience- and upon whom did he pronounce these curses?

v 16- on the _____ the curse:

v 17, 19- on the _____ the curse:

v 17b, 18- on the _____ the curse:

v 16b- relationship- the curse:

v 19- all life- the curse:

16. What has happened since that time? Romans 8:20-22

As far as the personal aspects of the curse were concerned, God pronounced them in the same chronological order in which the specific acts of sin had been committed –first on Satan, then on Eve, then on Adam. For Adam and Eve, however, their subjection under the curse was “in hope” Romans 8:20.

17. What is the “hope”? I Thessalonians 5:8-10; I Corinthians 15:51-57

For Satan the curse was final and irrevocable. He not only rebelled against God in heaven, but now he had also infected mankind with his rebellion.

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