



THE BOOK OF  
**GENESIS**

# SIN ENTERS THE WORLD

## GENESIS 3:6-13

*THE NEXT FEW VERSES ARE AMONG THE MOST IMPORTANT IN THE BIBLE.*

- They show us the basis for the *Doctrine of Original Sin*.
- Man was not created as an automaton, but as a free being with the moral ability to love God or reject God as he chooses.
- Adam chose sin. In doing so, all men after him are born sinners. **ROMANS 5:12**

# ***SPIRITUAL PRECURSORS***

**First, make no mistake, it starts a cycle that continually gets worse.**

- In chemistry, we have what are known as precursors—the chemicals that will ultimately produce other more complex compounds.
- Here are the spiritual precursors that ultimately go from temptation to sin to death. There are 17 of them in this passage!

# ***THE THREE STEPS OF TEMPTATION v. 6***

- 1. “*Good for food*”**—something appealing to the physical, bodily appetites
- 2. “*Pleasant to the eyes*”**—something appealing to the emotions, the esthetic senses
- 3. “*Desired to make wise*”**—something appealing to the mind and spirit, and to one’s pride of knowledge and spiritual insight

Perfectly parallel to the outline of **1 JOHN 2:16**

# ***SATAN IS STILL USING THIS SAME 3-POINT OUTLINE!***

The source of the temptation is said by James, again stressing all three aspects, to be “*earthly, sensual, devilish.*” **JAMES 3:15**

- The second Adam did come into the world and He was also to be tempted in all points as we are. **HEBREWS 4:15-16**
- Jesus was tempted in all three. **LUKE 4:1-12**

# WHAT **VERSE 6** BROUGHT TO MANKIND

- Lusting
- Coveting
- Deceiving
- Enabling of others to sin
- Encouraging others to compromise

# WHAT **VERSE 7** BROUGHT TO MANKIND

- Lost innocence
- Shame
- Guilt
- Fear

We can never escape God's eye of judgment by anything that we can fashion to cover our sin!

# WHAT **VERSES 8-10** BROUGHT TO MANKIND

- Cover-ups
- Lying
- Shame in nudity
- Situational ethics
- Lost fellowship with God

# WHAT **VERSES 11-13** BROUGHT TO MANKIND

- Blame shifting
- Animosity
- Justification of evil

Tonight's passage explains what happened to Eden/Paradise: The world as we see it today is not the result of God's biffing the creation!

# ***THE FALL, THE CURSE, AND EVOLUTION***

Adam messed up the whole world. **ROM. 8:18-22**

- At the conclusion of God's creation, He pronounced it all to be "very good" (**GEN. 1:26, 28, 31**). But **now it would begin to decay!**
- Animals too were victims of the Curse. **GEN. 3:14**
- So were the plants (**GEN. 3:18**), for all were part of man's dominion.

# ***THERE IS A REMEDY!***

Mankind is in a state of original sin, that is true!

- But this was also the reason for Jesus to die on the cross.
- God's love was manifested not only in creating a perfect world to begin with, but then even more, of paying the terrible price to redeem it from sin.

- How sad is the testimony of **JOHN 1:10**.
- Yet how glorious is the truth of **JOHN 3:17**.
- Yes, what Paul said is true (**ROMANS 6:23**) for all who receive that priceless gift by faith (**JOHN 1:12**). Both here and now, but also in that new world to come (**REV. 22:3, 21:4**).

Praise God for His deliverance from the bondage of sin and death . . . in Christ Jesus His Son!