# Genesis | AMEN Bible Study 2019-20 "The Fall" Gen 3 September 18-19, 2019

## **Scripture Introduction:**

- I. Adam's Sin Ruins Us (Gen. 3:1-13, 16-19)
  - **A. The Intruder** (Gen 3:1a; Isa 14:12; Rev 12:9
  - **B.** The Strategy (Gen 3:1b-5; Js 1:13-15)
    - Attacks God's Word (Gen 3:1, 4; c.f Gen 2:16)
      - Plants Seeds of Doubt (v.1)
        - Contradicts God's Word (v.4)
    - Attacks God's Character (Gen 3:5)
    - The Fall (Gen 3:2-3, 6)
  - C. The Anatomy of Sin
    - Sin Is A Denial Of God's Love (Gen 2:16-17; Matt 6:26-34; Rom 8:5)
    - Sin Never Delivers On What It Promises
    - **Sin Is Treason** (Deut 9:7; Ps 51:4; Js 2:10)
  - **D. The Consequences of Sin** (Gen 3:7-13, 16-19, 24; Rom 5:12-14)
    - **Shame** (Gen 3:7-10)
    - **Broken Shalom** (Gen 3:12-13, 16-18)
    - **Condemnation** (Gen 3:19, 24; Rom 6:23)
- II. God's Grace Restores Us (Gen 3:9, 14-15, 20-24)
  - **A.** God Seeks Sinners (Gen 3:9; Lk 19:10; 1 Jn 1:8)
  - **B. God Clothes Sinners** (Gen 3:21; Is 53:2-3; 61:10; Rom 4:7; 2 Cor 5:21)
  - **C.** God Is Gracious In Judgement (Gen 3:22-23; Ps 22; Lk 15:11-32)
  - **D.** God Curses Satan (Gen 3:14-15a-b)
  - E. God Promises the Second Adam (Gen 3:15c; Rom 5:15-21)

#### **Discussion Questions**

#### Knowing:

- 1. The serpent intrudes the garden paradise to entice Adam and Eve into transgression. (Read Gen 2:16-17 to recall what the LORD had commanded Adam.) What do you notice in Gen 3:1-7 about the serpent's strategy?
- 2. What does the narrator disclose about why Adam and Eve decide to eat from the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil? What do you find significant about their reasoning?
- 3. What does this passage mainly reveal about God's character and ways?
- 4. Considering all that you have observed about this passage, how would you summarize Moses's main aim/purpose in writing it? What effect did he intend his words to have on Israel?

## Being:

- 1. In what specific ways do you see yourself in Adam and Eve?
- 2. How do you normally think about your own sin? Do you typically shrug it off or do you experience deep shame? How does God's response in Gen 3 counteract those two responses?
- 3. How does "knowing" about God's character affect your state of "being"?

### Doing:

- 1. In what specific way is God calling you to respond to Him and put His Word into practice?
- 2. What resource(s) does God supply you to live out His Word?
- 3. Who is someone to whom you can retell the truths of this passage (especially the good news of God's Grace)?