

1. A divine warning disregarded

- a) What warning was given to Adam by his Creator? Genesis 2:16-17
- b) Was Eve also warned by God or was she dependent on the counsel of her husband Adam?
- c) How long did our first parents live in their Eden home before Satan launched his attack?
- d) What subtle strategies of the serpent might have lured Eve to disregard her Creator's command? Genesis 3:1-4
- e) What can we learn from this inspired account that will help us to identify and resist Satan's temptations?

2. Satan's biggest lie

- a) According to Jesus, Satan is a liar and the father of lies. Which of his lies to Eve was most compelling?
- b) The teaching about the natural immortality of the soul has permeated many world religions. Give some examples.
- c) Nowhere in the Bible are human beings described as having naturally immortal souls. What Bible passages clearly refute this false teaching? Psalm 115:17, 146:4, Ecclesiastes 9:5, Ezekiel 18:4, John 3:16, etc.
- d) What promises of Jesus would be totally unnecessary if our souls were naturally immortal and able to experience a disembodied existence in heaven? John 6:40, John 14:1-3

- e) Who alone possesses natural immortality? 1 Timothy 1:17, 6:13-16,
- f) When will the redeemed receive the gift of immortality? 1 Corinthians 15:51-54

3. The consequence of sin in the Garden

- a) Genesis 3:7, 9-19 What were the immediate consequences of Eve and Adam's acts of rebellion?
- b) How did Adam's willful act of rebellion impact us all? Romans 5:12, 3:23, 6:23, Ephesians 2:1,5
- c) How has sin and death impacted your own family?
- d) How would you respond to a friend who says to you, "It's not fair that I should suffer for Adam's sin!"?

4. A word of hope for our first parents and for us

- a) Genesis 3:15 Explain the meaning of these words the LORD spoke to Satan.
- b) Where do you see another glimpse of hope in the scene described in Genesis 3:21?
- c) When was this word of hope fully revealed? John 1:1-3,14, 3:16-17, 10:10
- d) When did you personally accept Jesus as your Savior from sin and death?

