

Experiencing God's Purpose Together

"What's Wrong with Humanity?"

Genesis 2-3 10.05.14

1. From _____ to _____
Genesis 3:1-24

• It's all about _____ and _____

Genesis 3:1-5 Revelation 12:9 John 8:44

• The ultimate _____

Genesis 3:6-7 2 Corinthians 11:3 Romans 5:12

• The results of _____

Genesis 3:8-24 Romans 3:23 Isaiah 59:2
Romans 8:20-23

• The story doesn't _____ with our sin

Genesis 3:15 Genesis 3:21-24

• Humanity was given a _____ a
_____ and an _____

FURTHER STUDY:

1. Read Genesis 3 and consider in particular what was lost when humanity chose to sin. Then discuss the promise, substitute and eviction described in vs. 21-24.

⇒ Now, transition to God's solution at the cross...

⇒ In the book of Acts Peter (in agreement with Paul in 1 Corinthians) preaches 4 sermons that speak of this significant truth of the Cross of Jesus Christ.

⇒ Read each of the following passages and answer these questions:

- What does Peter communicate concerning the Cross of Jesus Christ?
- Who is Peter speaking to and what is his goal in communicating this truth?
- What do all of these passages have in common?

Acts 2:14-41 (Notice particularly vs.22-24 for the theme of the Cross of Christ.)

Acts 3:11-26

Acts 4:1-22

Acts 10:34-43

2. In Christian circles we are tempted to set ourselves up as "spiritual watch dogs" (checking up on other people's behavior) or "pit bulls" (not letting go of a pet belief). If you've ever experienced someone playing one of these roles in your life, what happened in that situation and how did you respond/feel?

⇒ As you look at your own life, can you think of times when you've made the mistake of playing either of these roles in other people's lives?

⇒ What insights do you find in Matthew 7:1-5 on this subject?

3. In Ephesians 4:1-5, Paul addresses the issue of Christian unity. What kind of attitudes and actions does Paul write about that are needed to maintain unity?