

October 3rd

Sin Entered the World

Genesis 3

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Since Adam and Eve, all people have been sinners. God sent Jesus to rescue us from sin.

Big Picture Question:

What does it mean to sin? We sin when we disobey God.

Key Passage & Phrase:

Everyone makes wrong choices. Romans 3:23

LEARN

Play the Preschool Bible Story Video.

Talk About the Bible Story

Open the Bible to Genesis 3. Use the summarized points below to talk about the Bible story.

- Adam and Eve lived in God's beautiful garden.
- God took care of them and gave them one rule: "Do not eat from the tree in the middle of the garden. If you do, you will die."
- The snake tricked Eve, and she ate fruit from the tree God said not to eat from. Then Adam ate it too.
- That evening, Adam and Eve heard God walking in the garden, so they hid.
- Adam and Eve had disobeyed God. That is called sin. God said because they sinned, bad things would happen. But God promised that someone would come from Eve's family to make everything right.
- God sent them away from the garden, but He still loved them.

Review Questions

Ask the following review questions.

1. *God created the world. He created a beautiful garden full of plants for Adam and Eve. God took care of Adam and Eve. But Adam and Eve made a wrong choice by eating from the tree in the middle of the garden. They disobeyed God. How do you think they felt when they disobeyed God?*
2. *"Did God really say not to eat from any tree in the garden?" [Allow responses.] Of course, he did!*

Say the key passage phrase

Place the key passage phrase marker at Romans 3:23. Invite a child to open the Bible to the key passage phrase. Say the phrase aloud. Distribute index cards used earlier in "Learn the key passage phrase." Guide children to line up in numerical order holding their card. Say the verse again. If cards are not available, write each word of the key passage phrase on an index card. Then, write the corresponding number according to word sequence under the word.

Pray

Pray, thanking God for loving us and for sending Jesus to rescue us from our sin.

ACTIVITIES

Instruct Children to color this week's Activity Page

Play "Up or Down"

Invite preschoolers to group time and direct them to stand. Explain you will say different situations or times a child makes a choice. If they think the child is making a right choice, the preschoolers are to jump up as high as they can. If they think the child is making a wrong choice, instruct them to sit on the floor. Give several quick scenarios such as a child picked up her toys, a child took her brother's toy without asking, a child set the table for dinner, a child disobeyed her parents, and a child helped care for her baby sister.

Say • Everyone, both children and adults, has choices to make and rules to follow. In our Bible story today, we will hear about Adam and Eve. They were the first people God created and God gave them a rule to obey.

Follow the Command

Give preschoolers a command to follow, such as stand up, touch your toes, stand on one foot, hop, turn around, clap your hands, or march in a line. Allow preschoolers to also have a turn giving commands.

Say : You followed different commands. Remember when God created Adam, He gave Adam one rule. God said, "You may eat from any of the trees in the garden, except for one." God warned him, "If you eat from that tree, you will die." Do you think Adam followed God's one command?

Make Fruity Trail Mix

Place all trail mix ingredients on a table with a bowl and spoon. Invite each child to choose one or two ingredients and lead him to pour some of each ingredient into the plastic bowl. Help each child take a turn stirring the ingredients in the bowl after each addition. Place a spoonful of the mix into a bowl for each child and guide the children to be seated as they eat.

Say • We had fun making fruity trail mix. I like how you all worked together and followed instructions. In today's Bible story, God gave Adam and Eve a rule not to eat from the tree in the middle of the garden. Adam and Eve disobeyed God's rule and ate from that tree. They made a wrong choice. That is called sin. Bad things happened because they sinned, and they had to leave their beautiful garden.

Release preschoolers to parents by matching up the number on the child's sticker with the guardian receipt. Tell them something that their child enjoyed doing or did well during the session.