

## SERMON NOTES

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### What is Wrong with Me?

Genesis 3:1-13, 20-24

The deepest question of life

Not pessimism

Exodus 33:11 God spoke to Moses "face to face"

- **I listen to the wrong people** (vs. 1-5)

Psalm 1:1-2

<sup>1</sup> Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers.

<sup>2</sup> But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.

Ephesians 6:12; Matthew 17:5

- **I disobey God** (v. 6)
- **I distrust God** (v. 6)

So we see that they were not able to enter, because of their unbelief. (Hebrews 3:19)

- **I listen to myself** (v. 6)
- **I feel shame** (vs. 7, 10)

"Shame" (Old English) "skem" - "to cover"

- **I blame others** (v. 12)
- **I am caught in consequences and causes** (v. 14ff)

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What is Right about God?

- He comes seeking.
- He convicts of sin.
- He covers sin.
- He closes doors.

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"He hideth my soul" (Exodus 33:22)

## Genesis 3:1-13, 20-24

### The Fall of Man

<sup>1</sup> Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?"

<sup>2</sup> The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup> but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.' "

<sup>4</sup> "You will not surely die," the serpent said to the woman. <sup>5</sup> "For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

<sup>6</sup> When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

<sup>8</sup> Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup> But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?"

<sup>10</sup> He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid."

<sup>11</sup> And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?"

<sup>12</sup> The man said, "The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it."

<sup>13</sup> Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?"  
The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

<sup>20</sup> Adam named his wife Eve, because she would become the mother of all the living.

<sup>21</sup> The LORD God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them. <sup>22</sup> And the LORD God said, "The man has now become like one of us, knowing good and evil. He must not be allowed to reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life and eat, and live forever." <sup>23</sup> So the LORD God banished him from the Garden of Eden to work the ground from which he had been taken. <sup>24</sup> After he drove the man out, he placed on the east side of the Garden of Eden cherubim and a flaming sword flashing back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life.