

"Avoid the Jam from Forbidden Fruit"

PART 14 • Genesis 2:16-17

INTRODUCTION

• how do you keep the spiritual weeds at bay?

1. God's preparation for the test

• how God made Adam

Gen. 1:26, 28

• where God placed Adam

Gen. 1:29, 31; 2:9

• all Adam's needs perfectly met

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- 2. God's presentation of the test
 - permission
 - prohibition
 - punishment

"the tree [of the knowledge of good and evil] plays its part in the opportunity it offers, rather than the qualities it possesses; like a door whose name announces only what lies beyond it." – *Derek Kidner*

- "in the day"
- "you shall surely die"

APPLICATION: how does a person set himself up to fall into sin?

- by _____ God's goodness around him
- by _____ on the "no" to the exclusion of the "yes"
- by _____ our sin

2 Cor. 10:5

- by ______ after what is forbidden
 - Jms. 1:14-15; Rom. 7:7-8 1 Cor. 10:13