

and eat with him, and he with me. ²¹ The one who conquers, I will grant him to sit with me on my throne, as I also conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne.

Revelation 2:7

He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who conquers I will grant to eat of the **tree of life**, which is in the *paradise of God*.

Genesis 3:7-24

The Generations of "the Heavens and the Earth": Judgment & Mercy

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Sermon Outline

Notes

I. Introduction (Genesis 3:1-6)

- A. The Lies of the Serpent
- B. The Idolatry of the Woman
- C. The Rebellion of Adam

Key Idea

In response to the sin of our first parents, God acts swiftly both in righteous judgment and in bewildering mercy.

II. Naked before God!

- A. Why did God 'look' for & Call to Adam?
- B. Why did they try to hide their Nakedness?

Genesis 3:7, 10

⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were *naked*. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths. ...

¹⁰ ...“I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was *naked*, and I hid myself.”

Hebrews 4:12-13

¹² For *the word of God* is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, ... discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³ And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are **naked** and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

- C. Blame-Shifting (Genesis 3:12-13)
- D. Ignorant Nakedness

Revelation 3:17

For **you say**, I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing, *not realizing* that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and *naked*.

III. Curse of the Serpent & Satan

A. The Curse of the Serpent

Genesis 3:14

The Lord God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this, **cursed are you** above all livestock...*on your belly* you shall go, and *dust you shall eat* ...

Micah 7:17 (Cf. Ps. 72:9; Isa. 49:23)

...they [the nations] shall *lick the dust like a serpent*, like the crawling things of the earth; they shall come trembling out of their strongholds...

B. The Curse of Satan/The 1st Gospel

Genesis 3:15

I will put **enmity** *between you and the woman*, and between *your offspring* and *her offspring*; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.”

IV. The Judgment/Mercy Given Adam & Eve

A. The Judgment/Mercy to the Woman

Genesis 3:16

To the woman he said, “I will surely **multiply** your *pain* in *childbearing*; in *pain* you shall *bring forth children*. ... (Cont. p. 3)
Your desire shall be for your husband, and **he shall rule over you**.”

B. The Judgment/Mercy to the Man

Genesis 3:17-19

¹⁷ And to Adam he said, “Because you have *listened to the voice of your wife* **and** have eaten of the tree of which *I commanded you* ‘You shall not eat of it,’ **cursed is the ground** because of you; in *pain you shall eat* of it all the days of your life; ¹⁸ *thorns and thistles* ¹⁹ till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; **for you are dust, and to dust you shall return**.” (Eternal Death – Rev. 14:9-11; 20:14-15)

V. Repentance & Mercy

A. Faith – Believing God’s Word

Genesis 3:20

The man called his wife’s name Eve, because she was the mother of all living.

B. Clothing for Our Nakedness

Genesis 3:21

And **the Lord God made** for Adam and for his wife *garments of skins and clothed them*.

1. Practical
2. Inheritance (Insert)
3. God Provides a Covering

Psalms 32:1-5

¹ Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose *sin is covered*. ...

⁵ I acknowledged my sin to you, and **I did not cover** my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,” and **you forgave** the iniquity of my sin.

C. Cut off from the Garden

Genesis 3:23-24

²³ therefore the Lord God *sent him out from the garden of Eden to work the ground* from which he was taken. ²⁴ *He drove out the man*, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the **cherubim** (e.g. Ezekiel 10; Holy of Holies) and a *flaming sword* that turned every way to guard the way to the **tree of life**.

Revelation 3:18-21

¹⁸ I counsel you to buy **from me** gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and **white garments** so that you may *clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen*, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see. ¹⁹ Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent. ²⁰ Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him