

BIG TRUTH: SIN IS A REJECTION OF GOD

Genesis 6:5; Isaiah 44:9-20, 53:6; 2 Kings 17:15; Jeremiah 10:1-15

BIBLE VERSE: GENESIS 3:6

So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate.

BIG IDEAS

- Sin leads us to doubt God's goodness.
- Sin leads us to believe the lie that God is not enough.
- Sin leads us to reject God's rule and reign.

BIBLE STORY: GENESIS 3:1-7

God's creation was perfect and good until man's sin. When Adam and Eve sinned in the Garden of Eden, they disobeyed God's rule. They rejected Him and their relationship with Him. Man's sin separated him from God and introduced death into the world. Our relationships with God, ourselves, and one another are broken because of our sin.

THE STORY

The Story is the good news of the gospel. All of Scripture tells the Story of God the Father's work to redeem a people from the power of sin through God the Son so that they might live for His glory through the power of the Holy Spirit. During this series we will explore the four main movements of the Story of God, and our response to the life-altering Gospel Story!

BIG AIMS**Every child should know that:**

- God is the author, subject, and hero of the gospel story
- Salvation comes by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone

**Every child should strive to:**

- Describe the gospel message through Creation, Fall, Redemption, and New Creation
- Memorize the Bible verse each week

**Every child should feel:**

- Brokenness over the depth of our sin against God
- Joy in Jesus, our Savior and King

**Every child should want:**

- To study the Bible so that they can better understand God's story of redemption
- To share the gospel story with those who are separated from God in their sin

NOT ENOUGH

Help your child create a collage showing his or her favorite foods and toys. As you create the collage, talk with your child about how Adam and Eve had the perfect home and the perfect relationship with God, but they rejected it because they believed He wasn't enough. Sin makes us reject the goodness of God, too.

DISCOVER IT: *(Use the passage to illustrate the Big Truth.)*

Genesis 3:6

THINK ABOUT IT: *(Use the commentary to reinforce the Big Truth.)*

Adam and Eve had the perfect life in the Garden of Eden. They had everything they would ever need and they had purpose. They even enjoyed a perfect relationship with God. God had established order and rule to their lives. He had given them boundaries to protect them. They had the freedom to eat the fruit of any tree except for the tree in the middle of the Garden. That tree was off limits. One day, Satan came to Eve disguised as a serpent. Satan told Eve many lies about God. He convinced her that God wasn't good and that His provision wasn't good. He also convinced her that God Himself wasn't enough. Eve knew the truth about God, but she chose to believe a lie. Adam and Eve disobeyed God when they ate the fruit from the forbidden tree. Their disobedience was a rejection of God. They chose instead to follow their own wisdom and to separate themselves from God. When they ate the fruit, sin and death entered the world and everything changed. They no longer enjoyed the perfect relationship with God and they had to leave their home in the Garden of Eden. Sin leads us to reject God, His goodness, His provision, and His rule and reign over us.

TALK ABOUT IT: *(Use the questions to discuss the Big Truth)*

- How does our sin lead us to believe lies about God's goodness? (We begin to think He is keeping good things from us when He is protecting us.)
- How does our sin lead us to reject God's rule and reign over us? (We disobey our parents, who have been placed as authorities in our lives and we live very selfish lives. We focus on ourselves and choose to fulfill our own desires.)

**KNOW**

Help your child memorize Genesis 3:6 by creating a matching game. Write each word of the verse on an index card twice and take turns making matches. When all the words are matched, say the verse aloud together.

**DO**

Role-play the story of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden. After you role play the story of Adam and Eve from Genesis 3, talk with your child about how our sin leads us to reject God's provision, presence, and rule over our lives. Remind them that our sin leads us to believe the lie that God isn't good or enough for us.

**FEEL**

Use a poster board to create a comic strip that shows some of the things that remind us of God's goodness and His presence. Help your child draw pictures of the things in your life that show God's provision for you, such as a house and food. Help your child draw pictures of other ways that he or she sees God's goodness.

**WANT**

Each night this week spend time praying with your child asking God to help your child understand his or her need for Jesus as Savior.