

Adam and Eve

Card 1

2 Storytelling

Pass out Card 1. Share the story.

- In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth and everything in them.
- Then God made the first man out of the ground and breathed into the man to make him alive. He called the man Adam and put him in a garden to take care of it. God told Adam, “You may freely eat the fruit of every tree in the garden—except the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. If you eat its fruit, you are sure to die.”
- Then God created the first woman out of Adam’s rib; Adam called her Eve. Adam and Eve walked and talked with God in the garden; their relationship was perfect.
- God’s enemy, Satan, came to Eve as a snake to tell her it was okay to eat the fruit God said not to eat. Satan lied and told her she would not die but would become like God.
- Eve ate the fruit and gave some to Adam, and he ate it, too. Because they disobeyed and did what God said not to do, they became afraid and hid from God. Disobeying God is called sin.
- Because they sinned, God punished them just like he said he would:
 - God punished the snake; he now must crawl on his belly and eat dust.
 - God punished Eve; she would have pain in bearing children.
 - God punished the ground; it would produce thorns and thistles.
 - God punished Adam; his work would be hard, and he would sweat to get his food.
- To protect Adam and Eve from eating the fruit again, God sent them out of the garden.
- Adam and Eve’s sin broke their perfect relationship with God. But God still loved Adam and Eve so he made a promise to send someone who would fix their broken relationship. Because of our sin, our perfect relationship with God is also broken. Many years after Adam and Eve lived, God sent his perfect Son, Jesus, to earth to be punished for the wrong things we do, Jesus died for us. Now we can have a relationship with God again because Jesus took our place.

1 Read Aloud

Genesis 1:26-27

3 Discussion Questions

1. What did God tell Adam and Eve not to do? (eat the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil)
2. What was the lie Satan told? (they wouldn’t die, they would be like God)
3. What was the promise God made? (to send someone who would fix their broken relationship)

4 Memory Verse

Genesis 1:27

So God created human beings in his own image. In the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

5 Activity: Simon Says

Choose a child or teacher to be Simon. Everyone else stands facing Simon. The “Simon” calls out instructions like, “Simon says touch your nose.” Everyone else has to touch their nose. If the “Simon” calls out an instruction without saying “Simon says,” then everyone should ignore the instruction. If you don’t follow a “Simon says” instruction, you are out. If you do follow an instruction that doesn’t have “Simon says” in it, you are also out. Play until one winner is standing. The person who wins can then be “Simon” next time. For larger crowds, after 10 commands the “Simon” can call on anyone still standing to become the new “Simon.” The teacher can decide when the game is finished and declare the remaining children standing as the winning group.

Teacher Background

Scripture: Genesis 1:26-3:23

Theme: the consequences of sin

6 Learning Point

Following “Simon” is like following God. We all have to listen carefully to how God wants us to live. Making a mistake in the game doesn’t hurt anybody, but there can be big consequences for not listening to God’s commands. If you follow God, you will be blessed. Adam and Eve had a perfect life before they sinned. God had to punish them because of what they did. Just like Adam and Eve, we sin against God. Thankfully, God loves us and will forgive us of our sins if we come asking for forgiveness. 1 John 1:9 says, “But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.” Think about something you have done wrong and ask God to forgive you.

For additional discussion questions, click on this link

