

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Open your group with a prayer. Use this sheet as a guide; select the points you want to discuss.

GETTING STARTED

1. How have you seen evidence of Murphy's Law?

DIGGING DEEPER

2. Read Genesis 3:1-5. What does "crafty" suggest about the snake? (see John 8:44) What was crafty about his question?
3. What do these verses teach about how temptation can take hold of a person?
4. How can we resist the Devil today? See Eph 6:10-18 for ideas.
5. Didn't the first couple already have a knowledge of good and evil? Discuss.
6. Read Genesis 3:6-7. What now attracted Eve to the fruit? Relate to 1 John 2:16.
7. Where was Adam during the temptation? (v.6) How does this help explain Rom. 5:12-14 blaming Adam?
8. Read Gen 3:8-19. The couple hides. How does man hide from God today?
9. Characterize the couple's response to God. How should a Christian respond? See 1 John 1:9.
10. Why is Genesis 3:15 called the "protoevangelion," the 1st glimmer of the Gospel?

LIVING IT OUT

11. God makes the 1st couple clothes but bans them from Eden. What does this teach us about God?
12. What is the significance of Adam's Fall to Cain & Abel and the Flood stories?
13. Should we fear Satan? Discuss: "As believers in Christ, we do not fight *for* victory; we fight *from* victory" (Chip Ingram).
14. Why do people dismiss the concept of "sin" as an old-fashioned, outdated explanation for what's wrong in the world? With what do they replace it?

CHANGING YOUR MIND

"...the woman...took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it."

- Genesis 3:6 NIV