



ORIGINS

Genesis 1-11

Discussion Guide: Origins- Sin & Death

Passage: Genesis 3:1-8

Summary: The beginning is really good. So, where does it all go wrong? What changes that brings death and suffering into this world? It all began with a serpent's subtle lies and the human decision to not trust God. It was about much more than eating a piece of forbidden fruit. The tragic origin of sin and death helps us understand a problem that has been on replay for all of us since Genesis 3.

Discussion Questions

1. How might understanding “sin” actually be good news for us and our world? Why is getting the diagnosis right so important?
2. What is “sin” and how is it seen in Genesis 3? Why is seeing that sin is more than mere “bad behavior” important?
3. Think about the “path towards sin”. It includes distance from God, readiness to hear strategically-placed lies, and beginning to question God’s care and love for you. What are practical ways you can be strengthened to resist temptation and avoid this path?
4. How has Jesus provided the cure? Try to be as specific as you can and reflect on this together. (*see 1 Peter 2:24*)

At the end, take some time to pray for one another in smaller groups.