

## THE STORY 0 F U S

#### Who is Man?

Man was made in God's image, by God's design, for a specific purpose.

### In God's Image

- PurposeDignityIdentity

## The Fall of Man

#### Genesis 3:1a

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made.





### Who was The Serpent?

#### Revelation 12:9-10

<sup>9</sup> And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. 10 And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God."

#### **Ancient Serpent**

- The Devil
- Satan (Adversary)
- The Deceiver
- The Accuser
- The Tempter (Matthew 4:3)

#### Based on Ezekiel 28:11-15 & Isaiah 14:12-17

- Original name: Lucifer (Morning Star)
- Angelic Being
- Full of Wisdom
- In charge of Worship
- Perfect until iniquity found
- Cast from Heaven

#### Satan's Mission

John 10:10

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy.

I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

#### Genesis 3:1b-5

He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden'?" <sup>2</sup> And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup> but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die."

<sup>4</sup> But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die.

<sup>5</sup> For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

- Satan challenged God's Word
- Satan challenged God's Love
- Satan denied God's Word

## God's Truth or Satan's Lies?





#### Genesis 3:6

<sup>6</sup> 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.

#### **Romans** 5:12

12 Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned.

#### S-I-N Virus

- Sin entered
- Death entered
- Death spread
- Death reigned



### Sin mars the Image of God in Man Serious consequences – Spiritually dead



# God's Purpose or Man's Pleasure?

#### **Genesis 3:7-9**

<sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths. 8 And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?".

#### Genesis 3:10-13

<sup>10</sup> And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." 11 He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" 12 The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." 13 Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

#### God's Response

Genesis 3:21

<sup>21</sup> And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.





## Man's Cover-up or God's Covering?

## Because of GOD's goodness, He is personally involved in restoring His relationship with us.



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