

### INTRODUCTION

- Today, we begin with the doctrine of original sin, a concept deeply rooted in Scripture and central to our understanding of humanity's fallen nature and the redemptive work of Christ.

Where does evil come from?
What is Sin?
Who opened the door to sin on the earth?
What happened as a result of these sins?
What relationships were broken?

## 1. Understanding the doctrine of Original Sin and Its Implications on Humanity

- Romans 5:19-21, "For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous." Reference to Genesis 3.
- Psalm 51:5, "Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me."

Hebrew Word for Sin: The Hebrew word for sin, "chata", is mentioned over 500 times in the Old Testament and is translated as "sin", "offense", "error", or "fault".

The Greek word for sin, "hamartia", appears 173 times in the New Testament and is translated as "sin", "fault", or "offense". Its root is "hamartano", which means "to miss the mark" or "to err".

### **GENESIS 3: EVIL AS A COSMIC PROBLEM**

Who sinned in Genesis 3? vs, Gen I & 2
What was sinful?
What happened as a result of these sins?
What relationships were broken?
Where do you see sin in our world today?

## 2. Unmasking the enemy: The Original Sin

- The Fall of Satan
- The Fall of Humankind
- The Redemption of Humankind by Jesus' death and resurrection.
- The Second Coming of Jesus and the Final Judgment of Satan and his fallen angels.

Why and how did Satan become Evil?

### **GENESIS 3: EVIL IS A COSMIC PROBLEM**

Isaiah 14:12-13 "You said in your heart, "I will ascend to the heavens; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly. I will ascend above the tops of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High." But you are brought down to the realm of the dead, to the depths of the pit."

## Why and how did Satan become Evil?

By self-absorption, by taking his eyes away from God and onto himself.

By wanting to usurp God's authority and the Son's.

By wanting to be like God, he tried again on earth and kept trying.

By showing neglect and contempt for God's glory and intimacy

Luke 10:18 He replied, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven.

Revelation 12:12 Therefore rejoice, you heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you! He is filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short."

## 2. Unmasking the enemy: The Original Sin

### Who is the true Source of Evil on Earth?

- Father of Lies: John 8:44
- Children of the Evil One: Matthew 13:38
- Children of Hell: Matthew 23:15
- Children of Darkness: Ephesians 5:8
- Children of Disobedience: Ephesians 2:2
- Children of Wrath: Ephesians 2:3

James 4: I-2 What causes wars, and what causes fightings among you? Is it not your passions that are at war in your members? You desire and do not have; so you kill. And you covet, and cannot obtain; so you fight and wage war.



# 3. Highlighting the Significance of Christ's Redemption.

Why Do People Go To Hell?

Why Do People Go To Heaven?

What is Redemption?

Matthew 1:21 "She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus," because he will save his people from their sins."

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Ephesians 1:7 - "In him, we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace.

"Romans 5:6-9 - Since we have now been justified by his blood (Atonement- Making things right with God)

Romans 6: 1-11: Paul says that Christ, through his death, destroyed the power of sin. Through Christ's resurrection, Christ destroyed the power of death.

Paul says that we are baptized into Christ's death so that we can share in Christ's resurrection.

Peter 2:24- Not only did Jesus save us from our sins by dying on the cross, but Jesus also saved us for a life of righteousness.

# **KEY TRUTHS.** How do I know I have true faith in Jesus Christ?

- I. Christ gives us eternal life. Jn 3:16
- 2. Christ gives us a new life. 2 Co 5:17
- 3. Christ gives us victory over sin. ICorinthians 15:57
- 4. Christ gives us the Holy Spirit. Jn 16:7-13



#### **Call to Action**

- A. Awareness of our intrinsic sinful nature
- **B. Striving for transformation and renewal**
- C. Cultivating empathy and grace toward others.

## **In Conclusion: Ask yourself**

What do you think will get you salvation NOW and tomorrow will get you to heaven?

Do you think that is what you have done for God? Or What Jesus has done for you?

Answer: ONLY by Jesus, death, and resurrection, we have eternal life and access to heaven.

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## **In Conclusion: Ask yourself**

How certain are you of your salvation and that you'll go to heaven?

#### Answer:

I have a 100% TRUST conviction in Jesus' work on the cross. He paid for our sins. Jesus paid for 100% of our debt.

## **In Conclusion: Ask yourself**

What are the fruits and evidence of my salvation?

Do I love Jesus and hate sin?

Do I indulge myself in sin as much as possible?

Do I seek to avoid it?

### Prayer:

Heavenly Father, we humbly come before You, acknowledging our fallen nature and the profound need for Your redemptive work in our lives. Grant us wisdom and discernment as we navigate conversations about our faith and may the truth of Christ's redemption transform our hearts and empower us to extend Your love to a broken world. In Jesus' name, Amen.

