

STUDY THREE

BE SELF-CONTROLLED AND ALERT

Genesis 3

Introduction

Many times people will ask us “why is there suffering in the world?” “Why is the world so bad?” “Why are people sometimes so evil?” These are important questions. We must be able to give a helpful answer to those who are honestly asking such questions. Part of the answer is found here in this study. Without this passage of the Bible we would find the question of evil impossible to answer properly. This study should also help us in our own battle with sin. It is important that our response to Scripture should be personal.

Questions For Discussion

1.a) What was the serpent like (v.1)?

b) How did the serpent tempt Eve (v.5)?

c) Does Satan also tempt us? (See 1Pe. 5:8)

2. What steps did Eve take that led her into sin? (vv.1-7)

3.a) On hearing God's voice what was Adam and Eve's response (v.8)?

b) Why (v.10)?

4.a) What did they make to hide their shame (v.7)?

b) Nowadays what do people do to hide their sin & shame?

5.a) Whom did God curse (vv.14-15)?

b) Whom did He judge (vv.16-17)?

6.a) What are the results of sin in this story (vv.16-19)?

b) What results of sin can we see today?

7.a) Is there any hope in this story?

b) What is the meaning of v.15? (See also Heb. 2:14-18 & 9:13-14, 22 & 28)

8.a) What did God do in v.21?

b) What is the significance of this?

For Further Thought And Action

Ask the Holy Spirit to help you search your heart for sin, and confess that sin to the Lord.

Memory Verse

Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

1Peter 5:8