



"Who's to blame?"

Genesis 2:15-17

Genesis 3:1-6

1. The very first human LEADER that we see in the Bible is Adam!

- He was God's perfect creation! **Genesis 1:26 / 2:7**
- We see that God, the Ultimate Leader, told Adam that there was a tree that was *not to be eaten from!*
- **KEY - Adam was ENTRUSTED by God** with this information! **Genesis 2:15-17**
- Just like the Bible, **we are entrusted** to not add to or take away from what God puts in place! *We are to correctly handle it!* **2 Timothy 3:16 / 2 Timothy 2:15**
- Adam ended up failing. He was entrusted and let God down. He failed in Leadership!
- **What was the temptation for Eve?** *Selfishness!* **Genesis 3:6** – *"she WANTED the wisdom it would give her!"* *She listened to the wrong person instead of God's Word!*
- **What did Adam do?** *He listened to the wrong person instead of God's Word!*

2. How powerful is bad Influence? Look at the results!

- **The serpent...the devil!** **Revelation 12:9 / Genesis 3:1-4**
- **Eve!** **Genesis 3:6** – "So, *she took some* of the fruit and *ate it.*"
- **Adam!** **Genesis 3:6** – "Then *she gave some to her husband*, **WHO WAS WITH HER**, and *he ate it too.*"
- **Question: "Where is the responsibility of Adam to his wife...his family?"**
- Why wasn't Adam the leader that God created him to be, step up against the serpent and protect / correct his wife to not do this? *He was right there!*
- **Adam failed to take responsibility!**
- **Key - Adam's failure started at Home!** In just a short time and just one sin later...**he damaged** every relationship in his life, got kicked out of the perfect and most beautiful place to live and devastated the entire world! *What does your home look like?*
- **It all leads back to one thing:** *a cowardly refusal to Lead in the moment!*

A. We see deception at its finest! We see temptation at its strongest! We see two leaders at their weakest!

- **Fact - Adam followed his wife rather than God!** This can go both ways! **Genesis 3:17 / 1 Timothy 2:14**
- **His wife made a terrible decision and he followed!** But, *he was the one that allowed the entire thing to happen!* Think about that! He was the Leader!
- **Watch this:** Even though Eve sinned first...**Adam is actually held accountable for the Fall of all of Mankind!** **Romans 5:12, 14-15, 17 & 19**
- **Adam tried to blame Eve!** **Genesis 3:12** He was not the man that he should have been!
- **Why? Adam was created first,** and Eve a suitable helper for him! **Genesis 2:18**
- **God held Adam responsible for his family and for all of humanity!** **Notice: God questioned Adam first not Eve!**
- Eve was deceived...Adam was not! **1 Timothy 2:14** *He literally stood by and watched!*
- **1 Corinthians 15:22** – Adam represented **ALL** of mankind! *“All belong to Adam...”*
- When you do not listen to **and** apply God’s command to you...**you will fail!** **James 1:22**
- **Adam mismanaged God’s creation.** **Genesis 3:17** It was his responsibility!
- ***When blaming others for something that you did...EXCUSES make a very poor leader!**
- Spiritual Leadership takes a willingness to be responsible! If not...you are not being the Spiritual Leader!

B. Adam failed God with the resources that had been given to him, the relationships that God placed him in and in the Sanctuary!

- **What would have fixed all of this? If Adam would have been the Godly Leader that God created him to be in that moment!** *To listen and obey the Word of God!*
- **Men...lead your wives and kids...you are right there with them!**
- **Men...step up and lead this city and county!** *It starts with your house!* **Joshua 24:15**
- **Ladies...do not be deceived!** Eve was deceived! Do not let Satan into your life or home!
- **Genesis 3:16** **Women today still drop the ball in their leadership!**

Closing: What was the result Damage and Destruction to Adam & Eve! The ripple effects were and still are devastating today!

1. Eve’s sin causes much pain to women, and she was the first mother to ever experience pain and death...the murder of her son. **Genesis 3:16 / Genesis 4:7-8**

2. Eve’s sin opened the door up for the **Feminist Movement** as well! **Genesis 3:16 Fact!**

- **You have to have a Backbone...not a Wishbone...when it comes to the enemy!** **1 Peter 5:8** – “Satan...our Great Enemy!” / **Romans 7:21** – “Whenever I want to do good, evil is right there beside me.” **They did not stand up against Satan!**
- That was *their home, family and sanctuary!* **Guard your heart!** **Proverbs 4:23**
- **Look at this incredible picture today of God’s GRACE!** Even though Eve sinned...Salvation came through her seed! **JESUS!!!** **Genesis 3:15!** / **John 3:16**
- **Lamentations 3:25** – this is so powerful for our daily life!
- Forgiveness is found only in Jesus today! *It is WELL with MY SOUL!*