



PREPARE 



BEFORE YOU BEGIN

TALK TOGETHER

THINK ABOUT ONE OF YOUR FAVORITE STORIES. DOES IT HAVE A GOOD PERSON AND A BAD PERSON? A HERO AND A VILLAIN? Most

stories do. The villain does bad things that cause people pain and suffering, but then the hero comes into the story, stops the villain and saves the day!

The story of Earth has a hero and villain too. If you flip back in your Bible to the first book called Genesis, you will learn the **true story** about the first man and woman God created — Adam and Eve.


God created the perfect place for Adam and Eve called the garden of Eden. There, Adam and Eve had perfect fellowship with God.

God warned Adam and Eve not to eat from one tree in the garden, but guess what Adam and Eve did? They listened to the villain, a crafty serpent, who told them to disobey God and eat what God specifically told them not to. Both Adam and Eve chose to sin. **Help me find Genesis 3:14-19 to learn the true story of what happened after Adam and Eve ate what God told them not to.**

 **TALK TOGETHER**
Family conversations with God's Word.

 **MORE TO EXPLORE**
Discover how this conversation fits into God's Big Story.

 **THRU-THE-WEEK SHEET**
Post it on the fridge. Use it all week.

 **COLORING PAGE**
Keep little hands busy before, during and after your family conversation.

TALK TOGETHER

THE LORD GOD SAID TO THE SERPENT, "BECAUSE YOU HAVE DONE THIS, CURSED ARE YOU ABOVE ALL LIVESTOCK AND ABOVE ALL BEASTS OF THE FIELD; ON YOUR BELLY YOU SHALL GO, AND DUST YOU SHALL EAT ALL THE DAYS OF YOUR LIFE. I WILL PUT ENMITY BETWEEN YOU AND THE WOMAN, AND BETWEEN YOUR OFFSPRING AND HER OFFSPRING; HE SHALL BRUISE YOUR HEAD, AND YOU SHALL BRUISE HIS HEEL."

TO THE WOMAN HE SAID, "I WILL SURELY MULTIPLY YOUR PAIN IN CHILDBEARING; IN PAIN YOU SHALL BRING FORTH CHILDREN. YOUR DESIRE SHALL BE CONTRARY TO YOUR HUSBAND, BUT HE SHALL RULE OVER YOU."

AND TO ADAM HE SAID, "BECAUSE YOU HAVE LISTENED TO THE VOICE OF YOUR WIFE AND HAVE EATEN OF THE TREE OF WHICH I COMMANDED YOU, 'YOU SHALL NOT EAT OF IT,' CURSED IS THE GROUND BECAUSE OF YOU; IN PAIN YOU SHALL EAT OF IT ALL THE DAYS OF YOUR LIFE; THORNS AND THISTLES IT SHALL BRING FORTH FOR YOU; AND YOU SHALL EAT THE PLANTS OF THE FIELD. BY THE SWEAT OF YOUR FACE YOU SHALL EAT BREAD, TILL YOU RETURN TO THE GROUND, FOR OUT OF IT YOU WERE TAKEN; FOR YOU ARE DUST, AND TO DUST YOU SHALL RETURN."

GENESIS 3:14-19

Adam and Eve lived in the garden of Eden and had no pain or suffering, only joy and happiness. But Adam and Eve chose to listen to the serpent and sin.

The Bible tells us the **true story** of what happened when sin entered the world. Because of one man's decision, sin entered the world and brought death to everyone. All of us have chosen to sin, and those choices have consequences. Sadly, the payment for sinning is death.

Because of sin, humans are separated from God, our Creator. Without God in our lives, humans have no hope of defeating sin. This may seem sad, but God's Big Story isn't over!

A hero is coming!

* MORE TO EXPLORE

GOD'S BIG STORY

CREATION



EVERYTHING
GOD CREATED
WAS GOOD.

FALL



ADAM & EVE SINNED,
AND SIN PASSED TO
ALL PEOPLE, EVEN
YOU AND ME.

REDEMPTION



THOUGH ALL OF
US ARE SINNERS,
CHRIST DIED
FOR US.

RESTORATION



JESUS WILL
COME AGAIN.

FIND IT IN THE BIBLE:

ROMANS

This week's verse comes from the book of Romans. Romans is an epistle, or letter. The book was written by the missionary Paul. In this letter, Paul writes to the Romans and clearly presents the Gospel, the good news about Jesus!

OT-NT CONNECTION

Adam was the first man to live on Earth, but his decision to sin impacted people in the Old Testament, New Testament and anyone who has ever lived. **Let's read about it in Romans 5:12-14.**

- What does verse 14 say reigned from Adam to Moses?
- How has sin impacted your life?

HOW DO I STOP SINNING?

While we are on this earth, we won't stop struggling with sin until we get to heaven. Anyone who has accepted Jesus as their Savior can become more like Jesus by reading and thinking about His Word and the Bible, and talking to Him through prayer. When faced with temptation, we can ask God to help us make good choices. **(John 16:13)**

WHY DO I HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE CONSEQUENCES OF ADAM AND EVE'S SIN?

Like we learned by reading this week's memory verse, **Romans 5:12**, ALL have sinned. We all make a choice to sin once we are born in this world and should not think that we would have chosen differently in the garden of Eden. **(Romans 3:23)**

JOURNAL

Sin is awful. God did not want sin to be part of our lives. He wrote a beautiful story for us to live sin-free! Sadly, Adam and Eve chose to sin.

Write a short story of what you think it would be like to live in the garden of Eden before Adam and Eve chose to sin.

READ

When we choose to sin, it always affects us; but it often impacts those around us, too.

Read **Genesis 4:1-16** to learn how the effects of sin impacted not only Adam and Eve but also their children (and everyone else on Earth).

★ THRU-THE-WEEK SHEET

♥ MEMORIZE

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.

ROMANS 5:12

Q: WHO HAS SINNED?

A: ALL HAVE SINNED.

FIND

This week's verse is found in the book of Romans. Help your child find the book of Romans. Is this book in the Old or New Testament? How many chapters are there?

SHARE

Share with your family about a time you chose to sin instead of following Jesus. What happened? When you realized you messed up, what did you do?

WATCH



Help your child learn their verse by watching this week's Memory Melody video!

PRAY

DEAR GOD, PLEASE HELP US AVOID SIN AND FOLLOW YOU. WHEN WE ARE TEMPTED, HELP US ASK YOU FOR HELP. WE WANT TO BRING YOU GLORY. AMEN.

CREATE

Provide your child with a handful of pipe cleaners and ask them to spell their name. Then, straighten all the pipe cleaners back out and ask them to try again with their eyes closed. Explain how sin blinds us and makes it hard to do what God asks us to. Thankfully, if we ask, God will guide our decisions and help us avoid sin.

DROP

Gather together a bowl of water and 1 bottle of food coloring. Have your child add just 1 drop of food coloring to the water and see what happens. If you mix the drop around, it contaminates the entire bowl of water. That's what sin does to our lives and it's why we need a Savior (Jesus) to save us.

SNACK

God provided Adam and Eve with lots of delicious things to eat in the garden of Eden. Sadly, they chose to eat from the one thing God told them not to.

Thinking about the great things God provided Adam and Eve to eat in the garden of Eden, help your child pick out some of their favorite fruits and make a fruit salad together.

SING



Listen to this playlist throughout this series to celebrate God's Big Story!

SCAN HERE TO LISTEN WHEREVER YOU ARE!

COLORING PAGE

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MAN, AND DEATH THROUGH SIN,
AND SO DEATH SPREAD TO ALL
MEN BECAUSE ALL SINNED.

ROMANS 5:12



WHO HAS SINNED?
ALL HAVE SINNED.

NAME: _____