



## KNOWING GOOD & EVIL

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*GENESIS 3:1-9, 16-19, 21 (NIV)*

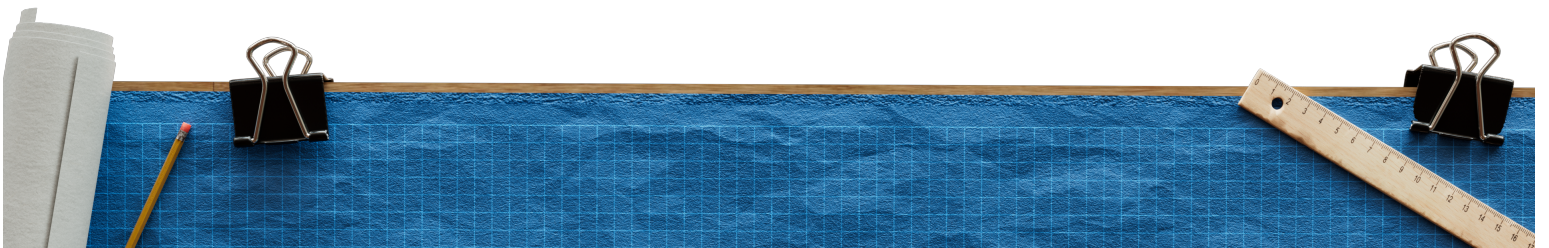
Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God really say, ‘You must not eat from any tree in the garden?’”  
2 The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, 3 but God did say, ‘You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.’” 4 “You will not certainly die,” the serpent said to the woman.  
5 “For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” 6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.  
7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves. 8 Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the Lord God called to the man, “Where are you?”

16 To the woman he said, “I will make your pains in childbearing very severe; with painful labor you will give birth to children. Your desire will be for your husband, and he will rule over you.” 17 To Adam he said, “Because you listened to your wife and ate fruit from the tree about which I commanded you, ‘You must not eat from it,’ “Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat food from it all the days of your life. 18 It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field. 19 By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return.”

21 The Lord God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them.

# Notes

(THE STUFF THAT STICKS OUT TO ME)



# Going Deeper

(SOME IDEAS TO PUT IT INTO PRACTICE)

## QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

Read Genesis 3. What sticks out to you about the chapter?

To know in a biblical sense meant knowing something relationally and experientially. Up until this point, Adam and Eve only “knew” good. What would they now know as a result of not trusting God?

Where do you see that in the rest of the chapter? What consequences do you see from not trusting God?

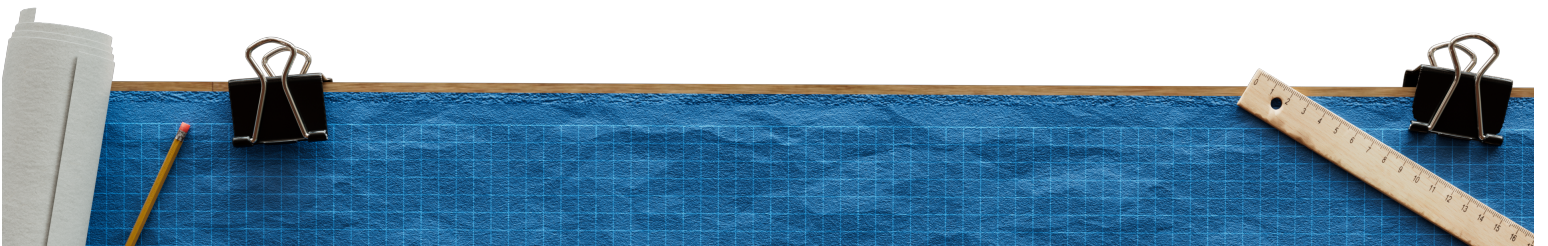
What did Eve see with the fruit in verse 6 that made it “desirable?” How is this a good picture of temptation?

## A VERSE TO MEMORIZE:

Romans 6:23 (GWT) - “The payment for sin is death, but the gift that God freely gives is everlasting life found in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

## TAKE A STEP:

What temptation has been “desirable” to you lately? What is one action step you can take and trust God in this area?





# All In, Together

## GENERAL OFFERING

2023 Weekly Budget: \$10,187  
Given January 15th: \$7,058  
Difference: (\$3,129)

2023 Annual Budget: \$529,724  
2023 Budget YTD: \$20,374  
2023 Given YTD: \$13,986  
Difference: (\$6,388)

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BYC January 15th: \$3,264  
BYC YTD: \$3,691  
BYC Total Given: \$326,183

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