



Adam and Eve Handout

Session Theme: Our Attention NOT on God

Demonstration: “The Ice Cream Shake”

Scripture Story: *Genesis 2:16-17; 3:1-13; 23*

Movie Clip: The World's Fastest Indian

Genesis 2:16 And the LORD God commanded them, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; 17 but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will surely die."

Genesis 3:1 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 surely die," the serpent said to the woman. 5 "For God knows that when you eat of 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?" 10 He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid." 11 And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?" 12 The man said, "The woman you put here with me--she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it." 13 Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

[...a bunch of curses and then...]

23 So the LORD God banished them from the Garden of Eden to work the ground from which they had been taken.

NOTES:

- ◆ Adam and Eve tried to do something that was outside their design. And when they did this, they fell over, just like the man on the motorcycle in the movie.
- ◆ In the Jonah and Transfiguration stories we've talked about how paying attention to God was beneficial for the individual AND for those around the individual.
- ◆ But what is also true is that when one person doesn't pay attention to God, that can also mess things up for the people surrounding that one person.