

Life Group Discussion Guide

MANKIND'S PATH
Genesis 2-3

Stuart Jones - November 26, 2017

Hope

INTRODUCTION

Without Jesus, we would have no hope. Adam's disobedience allowed sin and all forms of evil to enter the world, but the story doesn't end with Adam. God provided humankind with a ray of hope in the form of his son, Christ Jesus, and the grace he brings to us through his death on the cross. "There is a nice symmetry in this: Death initially came by a man, and resurrection from death came by a man. Everybody dies in Adam; everybody comes alive in Christ."

(1 Corinthians 15:20-21 MSG)

DISCUSSION STARTER

1. Stuart said he knew it was Christmas time when his mom made Chex Mix. When do you know it's Christmas time? What is the thing that helps you "get into the spirit" of Christmas?
2. Were you ever tempted to sneak a peek at your Christmas presents? Tell the group about it. Why is it such a temptation?

EVALUATE IT

1. Why did God place the tree of knowledge of good and evil in the Garden of Eden and then tell Adam and Eve not to eat from it?
2. God gave Adam and Eve a place to live that would blow our minds. Why did they throw all that away and disobey God? Why do we?
3. Read Genesis 3:6-11. Adam and Eve chose to hide from God. Why do you think they chose to do this and why do you think they felt this was a good idea?
4. Read Genesis 3:21. These two just failed miserably. Why does God make clothes for them? Where did the material for their new duds come from? What symbolism do you see here?

MAKE IT PERSONAL

1. Adam and Eve chose to duck behind some bushes. How do you hide from God? Why do you do it?
2. Stuart said, "God gave [Adam and Eve] something that they couldn't even fully comprehend... HOPE! Hope that paradise was not lost forever." Do you believe that? Why?

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

"The grass on the other side is often not greener and often not edible."

-James Dobson



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