



Sermon series: Genesis 1-11: The Story of (Your) Life
Text: Genesis 3
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The Story of Where Things Went Wrong

Big Idea: We seek to write a different story than God.

The Story Our Sin Believes About God (Genesis 3:1-6)

1. We _____ God's Goodness.
2. We _____ God's Authority.
3. We _____ God's Commands.

The Story We Tell About Our Sin (Genesis 3:7-13)

1. We try to _____ it _____.
2. We try to _____ _____.

The Story Our Sin Creates (Genesis 3:8,14-19)

1. _____ is _____ by sin.
2. Sin _____ our _____ with God.

The Story God Had Always Planned (Genesis 3:9,15,21)

1. God has a _____ and _____ for sin.
2. God's response to sin _____ our _____ of Him.

"We tend to project our natural expectations about who God is onto him instead of fighting to let the Bible surprise us into what God himself says." -Dane Ortlund

On an average week, what are some of the ways you see or experience the brokenness of sin in this world and in your life?

What's one area in your life that you find it particularly hard to trust God to take care of you and provide for you? What are some of the sins that might spring from this?

Think of one sin you struggle with in your own life. What is the belief that lies upstream from this behavior?

What are the sins in your own life that you find it the easiest to justify?



What are the ways you might be prone to try to convince yourself, "I'm really not that bad, In fact I'm actually quite good"?

How can seeing the consequences of sin in Genesis 3 help us in our battles against sin?

Read Acts 2:23. What does this verse say about Jesus' death? What does this verse affirm about sin in general? Are there other passages or verses in the Bible you can think of that teach the same thing? (Look at 2 Samuel 24:1-18 and 1 Chronicles 21:1-17. What do these two passages teach?)

If someone asked you, "Why did God choose to have sin enter into this world?" How would you respond?

What are some of the natural expectations you have about God that the Bible has helped to upend over the years?

When you sin and recognize your sin, how are you prone to respond? What are some ways you preach the gospel to yourself in those moments?

Further Resources

- [Knowing Sin – Mark Jones](#)
- [Arlo and the Great Big Cover-Up – Betsy Childs Howard](#)
- [The Origin of Sin – The Gospel Coalition](#)