

In your own words, how would you describe **Genesis 1-2**? What are some highlights from Scripture's opening chapters?

Read **Genesis 3:1-7** and answer the following.

How was Eve tempted? What is the root of her temptation? Explain.

How does this story describe the repeated process of temptation we experience as humans? Explain.

How is God misquoted and misrepresented by Eve and the serpent in the text?

NOTE: Refer back to **Genesis 2:16-17** if needed.

What do you think was the essence of Adam and Eve's sin?

In what ways is sin a rejection of God's ordering for creation? Explain.

When are you tempted to reject or marginalize God's Word in favor of some other voices in your decision-making process?

Read **Genesis 3:8-24** and answer the following.

What are the immediate effects of sin? How does this contrast **Genesis 2:25**?

How do Adam and Eve try to hide and excuse their sin?

Adam and Eve tried to transfer blame. When are you most prone to blame others for your own sin?

What are some additional effects of the fall? How does life change for Adam and Eve? What are their new challenges?

What evidences of God's grace are seen in this passage?

What signs of the curse, and signs of God's mercy, do you see in the world today?

How does this passage of Scripture most comfort and/or convict you personally?