

Session 5 - The Curse Gen. 3:6-24, 1 Peter 3:7

Due to sin, there is distortion in a man's relationship with:

GOD (Gen. 3:8-13)

WOMEN (Gen. 3:16)

CREATION/WORK (Gen. 3:17-19)

The first mention of the gospel in Scripture is in Gen. 3:15. Adam shows that he placed his faith in God's plan of salvation by renaming the woman Eve (Gen. 3:20). God set the pattern of salvation through substitutionary atonement by clothing them with animal skins (Gen. 3:21). From here, the stage is set in Scripture for the saving son promised in Gen. 3:15 to make a final sacrifice for sins that will redeem man from the curse. The single most important decision you can make as a man is to do what Adam did. Repent of sin and place your faith in God's saving son.

## Round Table:

- Recite your memory verse from the week (Prov. 31:30-31)
- Share one of your devotional times.
- How does this Scripture help you better understand:
  - O What's going on in the world?
  - What's going on in your home?
  - O What's going on in your work?
- Armed with this knowledge, what changes in your approach to:
  - o The world?
  - o Your work?
  - o Your wife/home?
- How could "living in an understanding way" with your wife (1 Peter 3:7) help diffuse difficult situations in your marriage? How does it help an otherwise loud, dominant man slow his response to her?
- How does 1 Peter 3:7 challenge a man to relate to the Lord about his wife?
- What are your takeaways from this lesson?