

# BIBLE STUDY GUIDE - WEEK 2

**Theme:** The Fall, Sin's Consequences, and the Need for a Savior

## Opening Reflection:

- Have you ever blamed someone else for a mistake you made?
- How do we tend to justify our sin rather than take responsibility for it?
- What areas of your life do you struggle to fully trust God?

## Read: Genesis 3:1-24

Break the passage into sections:

1. **The Temptation (v.1-6)** – Satan's deception & Adam and Eve's choice.
2. **The Consequences (v.7-19)** – Shame, blame, curse, and separation.
3. **The Hope (v.15 & v.21-24)** – God's first promise of salvation.

## Discussion Questions:

1. **The Root of Sin**
  - How did Satan manipulate Adam and Eve's trust in God?
  - What are common lies we believe that lead us away from God's truth?
  - Where in your life do you struggle to trust God's commands?
2. **Our Response to Sin**
  - How did Adam and Eve react to their sin? (Shame, hiding, blame-shifting)
  - In what ways do people "hide" from God today?
  - What excuses do we often make for sin?
3. **The Consequences of Sin**
  - What were the results of sin in Adam & Eve's lives? (Pain, hardship, death, separation from God)
  - How does sin still bring these consequences today?
  - How does sin impact our relationships with others?
4. **The First Promise of Jesus (Genesis 3:15)**
  - What does it mean that Eve's offspring (Jesus) will "crush" the serpent's head?
  - How does this verse point to Christ's victory over sin and Satan?
  - How does the cross of Jesus reverse what happened in the Fall?

## **Application: Living in Light of Redemption**

- Recognize areas where you are believing Satan's lies over God's truth.
- Confess areas where you have been hiding from God or making excuses for sin.
- Reflect on the cross—how does knowing Christ took your punishment give you hope?
- Walk in faith: How can you daily trust in God's Word over your feelings?

## **Memory Verse:**

**Romans 6:23** – *“For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*

## **Prayer & Reflection:**

- Spend time confessing any areas of sin where you have been hiding.
- Thank God for His mercy and forgiveness through Jesus.
- Pray for strength to trust and obey God, even when it's difficult.