



“Who do you say that I am?”
Foundations of Christian Doctrine

Session VII: What’s wrong with creation and me? Pondering “The Fall.”

Review from last time:

- Creation is orderly and unfinished
- Creation God declared “good”
- Creation is fallen
- Creation is the setting for God’s redemptive plan

How many outward differences in human beings can you describe?

How many inward similarities can you describe?

What is the most important reality that human beings share?

Before discussing humanity’s _____, we must explore the origin of _____.

- The challenge of understanding Satan
- Where did Satan come from? (Jude 6; 2 Peter 4:2; Rev. 12:4)
- What more does the New Testament tell us?
 1. Relationship with Jesus
 2. Status in the world (Mark 3:22)
 3. Main objective (2 Cor. 4:4)

4. Ultimate truth about the enemy (Eph. 6:11-12)

Adam, Eve, and the serpent (Gen. 3:1-7)

- Presented with options which implies _____ (Gen. 2:17)
- Sin is irrational when you think about it
- The ultimate blame for sin lies with _____. (Rom. 5:12-14)

What's the big deal with eating forbidden fruit?

- Inward implications
- Descendants of Adam, we struggle with _____
 1. Corruption at the center of our being
 2. Infection in every part of our being
 3. Total inability to please God unless moved by grace
 4. Implies universal corruption of the human race
- Ultimately, sin results in death (Rom. 6:23)