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**FUNDOCY Homework: The Fall**

Lesson Taught on Sunday, October 14

Homework Due: Sunday, October 28

*The focus of this week's lesson is on the Fall—otherwise known as the story of Adam and Eve. As we study the story of the Fall, we learn that rebellion against God's good and gracious plan for our lives brings shame, blame, and pain to us and the world—just as rebellion on the part of Adam and Eve brought shame, blame, and pain to them and to the world. Death is the "so what" of the Fall story. Lives of misery, isolation and pain are the "so what." Eternal separation from God is the result.*

*We remember this week that we have all sinned. We are all on the road to death, but God has provided Christ to take our place, and because of Christ, we have received the gift of eternal life!*

**Part I: The Lesson**

1. Read Genesis 3.
2. In Genesis 3, the "Fall" happened when:
  - a. A snake tricked Eve into eating an apple,
  - b. A snake tricked Eve into disobeying God and eating an unknown fruit from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil,
  - c. Neither A nor B,
  - d. The summer was over
3. When God found Adam and asked him why he disobeyed and ate the fruit, Adam quickly:
  - a. Hired a team of lawyers,
  - b. Started a blog to proclaim his innocence,
  - c. Blamed the woman,
  - d. Began looking for a book deal
4. When God asked Eve why she disobeyed and ate the fruit, she quickly:
  - a. Blamed the snake,
  - b. Blamed her husband,
  - c. Blamed God for tempting her in the first place,
  - d. Said, "What goes on in Eden, stays in Eden!"

5. After the Fall, God:
  - a. Kicked Adam and Eve out of Paradise,
  - b. Placed an angel with a fiery sword at the gates of Paradise so they couldn't go back,
  - c. Clothed them with animal skins so they wouldn't feel naked and ashamed,
  - d. All of the above, but didn't stop loving them
6. The term "Original Sin" refers to:
  - a. The very first sin in the Garden of Eden that ushered all sin into the world,
  - b. All sin that humans ever commit,
  - c. The very last sin Adam and Eve ever committed,
  - d. The most creative sin Adam and Eve could think up
7. The problem with sin is:
  - a. It leads to shame, pain, and death,
  - b. It is both an act and a condition,
  - c. We can't escape it on our own and it will ultimately lead to death if we can't find a savior,
  - d. All of the above, and thank God for Jesus!
8. In Genesis 3, the serpent told Eve that eating of the forbidden fruit would:
  - a. Make her like God
  - b. Allow her to know good from evil,
  - c. Not lead to her death,
  - d. All of the above, and isn't Satan just the biggest liar around?
9. The actions of Adam and Eve changed creation and humanity for all time. Because of Adam and Eve, all people of all ages began to sin...sin became part of our DNA so-to-speak, to the point that we can never NOT sin. Yes, we can stop ourselves from doing certain things that we know we shouldn't be doing, but, as long as we live, we will always be inclined to sin. Sin is not simply an action, it is first a foremost a *condition*—like a terminal illness. "Sin" is a condition from which we cannot save ourselves, but "sins" are acts we do that we shouldn't do.
  - How do you understand "Sin" as a condition? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- What are three “sins” that you commit on a regular basis? (for example, being mean to a brother or sister): \_\_\_\_\_

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**Part II: Reflection Questions**

1. The Fall affects every man and woman; it causes us to sin on a regular basis; there is no way we can save ourselves from this condition. But the GOOD NEWS is that God sent God’s Son Jesus to *save us* from this road of death and destruction. Through baptism, we have been forgiven, and have been made *alive* with Christ. Freed from death, we are called to spread and share God’s message of salvation to all the world, through words and actions.

- What are three things going on in the world today that you see as against God’s will?

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- What can you do about them? (How can you spread and share God’s message of GOOD NEWS in these situations?)

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2. Why do you think God allows evil to exist? If you were God, what would you do about it? (THERE ARE NO WRONG ANSWERS!)

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