Connect Group 5-8-22

Welcome

<u>Opening Question</u>: When is a time that your parents caught you doing something wrong? OR, Do you have a memorable Mother's day?

Worship

Word

Read Genesis 3:1-8 and answer the following questions.

- 1) What does this chapter say about the serpent?
- 2) What question does the serpent ask the woman?
- 3) What reasons are given for the woman eating the fruit? What is the most compelling?
- 4) What reasons are given for the man's choice to eat?
- 5) What is the immediate effect of eating the fruit?

Read Genesis 3:9-24

- 6) What questions does God ask the man and woman?
- 7) Who does Adam blame? Who does Eve blame?
- 8) What judgments are pronounced (on the serpent, on Eve, on Adam)?
- 9) What other effects of sin do we see as the result of man's disobedience?

Digging Deeper:

- 1) Satan deceives Eve. What tactics do you see at play?
- 2) Read Genesis 2:15-17 and compare it to Genesis 3:1-5. What differences do you see?
- 3) Read 1 John 2:14-17. Specifically look at this chapter. How does chapter 16 seem to relate to the temptation of Even?
- 4) The Devil uses the same playbook to tempt us, over and over again: 1) He questions God's Word & Character, 2) He distorts God's Word, 3) He outright lies or encourages disobedience. You can see many of these same tactics in the temptation of Jesus in Matthew 4:1-11. Read this as a group or on your own throughout the week. Read 2 Corinthians 2:11.
- 5) Read the following verses to see what God says about temptation: 1 Corinthians 10:13, Hebrews 2:17-18, James 4:7-8, 1 Peter 5:8-9, James 1:12-15
- 6) Why is the eating of the fruit such a big deal?
- 7) What are the lasting results of mankind's sin? Read the following verses and comment: Romans 5:12-15, Romans 6:23, Ephesians 2:1-3.
- 8) What else stands out from this lesson?

Works

Be sure and pray for the people in your life and community who need Jesus. Pray for opportunities to share.