

Lesson Overview:

Lesson I - 2 Parts: Plan of Redemption; 3 Part Man: Spirit, Soul, and Body

Plan of Redemption

Read The New Birth by Kenneth E. Hagin.

- I. God Created Man
- II. The Fall of Man
- III. God Bought Man Back
- IV. Jesus Is Raised From The Dead

Questions

The goal of this lesson is to explain what the new birth is; what happened when man fell; why a Redeemer and redemption was necessary; why Jesus died, was buried and resurrected; why it was necessary for Him to be born of a virgin and why He had to shed His blood for our redemption.

3 Part Man: Spirit, Soul, and Body

- I. The Spirit of Man
- II. The Soul
- III. The Body

Questions

I Thess. 5:23 says that God will sanctify us wholly: spirit, soul, and body. Man is composed of 3 closely related and yet distinguishable parts. The only way to separate these parts is with the Word of God (Heb. 4:12). The goal of this lesson is to bring a better understanding of what each part does and how to better serve God with the whole man.

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THE PLAN OF REDEMPTION

Please read the book The New Birth by Kenneth Hagin.

- I. God created man according to His image and for His man to have dominion over the earth.
 - A. God created man to govern the earth with authority that was given man by God (Gen. 1:26-28; Ps. 8:4-9).
- II. The Fall of Man
 - A. Spiritual death - Gen. 2:15-17

God told Adam and Eve that they could eat fruit from every tree in the garden of Eden. But, He said, **"But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it, (or the day you disobey Me) you shall surely die"** (v. 17).

Adam and Eve had abundant life, eternal life. They did not know evil. They would never die because they had no sin. It is sin that separates us from God. But, after they fell from right standing with God because of their disobedience, they died on the inside. They were lost without God. This we call spiritual death. They were born again from life to death. This does not mean cease to exist. They still lived physically for a long time. They still had a spirit, but it was changed from light to darkness. Everything that spoke of death and destruction became a part of their lives - a nature to sin, knowing evil, sickness and physical death, a curse upon the land, and separation from God.

"Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned:" (Rom. 5:12).

Adam and Eve gave Satan first place when they disobeyed God and obeyed Satan.

Hebrews 9:27 says, **"And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgement..."** Adam and Eve did not only die physically after many years, but they lost eternal life with God also at that point.

1. Adam and Eve disobey (Gen. 3:1-3).

Satan entered the Garden of Eden through the body of a snake. He is a liar and the father of all lies (John 8:44). He wanted to deceive Eve, so he asked her **"Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden'?"** He formed that question to deceive her - **"hasn't God said that?"** God never said that. He told them **"Of every tree of the garden you may eat freely, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat of it"** (2:16-17). Satan is subtle. He knows how to tempt and turn us away if we are not grounded and rooted in God. Eve begins to get entrapped. She says, **"We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat of it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die'"** (vv. 2-3). She, too, added something that the Lord did not say.

God did not say that they couldn't touch it. It seems as we humans go, she was tempted and became interested in what Satan was saying. Like, "yes anyway, God isn't fair. Why can't we eat of it? He's really hard on us." This happens today too. Be careful! Someone can say something about another person, but it's only partly true. Maybe you had a problem with that person too. Now what that person did seems even bigger and you talk about them. You enter into gossip and you speak evil of your brother or sister.

After that, Satan continued when he saw Eve being deceived. He said to her **"you will not surely die"** (v. 4). Satan wants to control people. He's totally against God because he wanted God's throne and God kicked him out of heaven and out of his high position as an anointed cherub, Lucifer, evidently the highest ranking angel at that time (Ezek. 28:12-19; Isa. 14:12-17). Satan always wants the highest place. He wants to gain control over everything. That's why he tempted Adam and Eve. This was not about them as much as it was to get back at God. He wanted to take them away from God. To steal His children that were so beloved and created in His image. He was

jealous.

So, Satan said, "**for God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil**" (v. 5).

The question is not about eating the fruit, but about disobedience. When God says don't do something, don't do it! Eve was deceived and she ate of the fruit and gave it to her husband (v. 6).

As soon as they disobeyed God, their eyes were opened and they were separated from God. They knew evil, they knew sin. They were ashamed. They had lost the glory (manifested presence) of God that had covered them and they saw for the first time that they were naked (v. 7). They hid because they were ashamed to face God. They were never afraid before. They only knew His love. But now, it was dark inside their hearts and they were sorry because they lost their fellowship with God, their closeness with Him as they walked and talked with Him in the cool of the day.

Adam accused Eve, but he didn't take his responsibility (v. 12). 1 Tim. 2:14 says, "**...and Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into transgression.**" Adam accused Eve, but he was guilty along with Eve (v. 12). Eve was deceived, but Adam wasn't. He knew the authority he had over Satan, but he wanted to please his wife more. Because of that, he disobeyed God also. Here is where we find passing the buck started. Eve said "**The serpent deceived me, and I ate**" (Gen. 3:13). "It's not my fault, Lord."

Adam said, "It's that woman you gave me, Lord" (v. 12).

2. The curse caused by the sin - Gen. 3:14-19; Prov. 26:2; Gal. 6:7-8.

However, because without the shedding of blood there is no remission or forgiveness of sins (Heb. 9:22), God offered the first-ever blood sacrifice of animals for them and made coats of skins from the animals and clothed Adam and Eve (Gen. 3:21). This indicated their sin was covered by the blood until the blood of Jesus would be shed for them to cleanse them and give them eternal life.

3. Sin and death passed upon all men because of Adam's sin (Rom. 5:12-14).
4. Satan becomes the god of this world's system outside of God (2 Cor. 4:4).

When we say Satan is the god of this world, that means he has been given as a result of Adam's sin, a certain control over the world's system. Naturally, God is always greater and has superiority over His creation (Ps. 24:1) and He can do what He wants, but He gave Adam authority to govern the earth (Gen. 1:26-28; Ps. 115:16). Adam lost his authority because he disobeyed God and obeyed Satan. He let Satan take his authority over the world, and sin and darkness, etc. entered. Satan knew he had certain control over this earth, over riches, over people who do not believe in and serve God truly. When he tempted Jesus in Matt. 4:8-10, he said "**All these things I give you if you will fall down and worship me....**"

We know that since ancient times, people go to witch doctors, witches, fortune tellers, etc. to offer themselves or sacrifices to satanic spirits so that they may give them control, riches, etc. But too, we know that even if the devil seems to release his power for someone, the curses which are greater than any riches will come on them too and Satan can only lie. He will come and control their lives until they desire to be set free by the power of God and the blood of Jesus. We always reap what we sow and if that person remains under satanic control, they will eventually die physically and spiritually in their sin because they refused Jesus (1 Sam. 28:7; 31:1-6). Satan is a liar. He knows nothing else. He sets out a trap to deceive you into thinking what great power and things you can have, but after that it will be steal, kill, and destroy (John 10:10).

All power is in God, all riches, all deliverance because every good and perfect gift comes from Him (James 1:17). Satan never does something for you without taking your life and destroying it. He does no goodness. God does no evil.

Jesus is the second Adam. With the first Adam, death entered the earth because of sin, because he failed. He was the son of God, but he lost his place. Now, God sent the second Adam, Jesus the Christ. He is the Son of God, but He didn't fail. With Him, all people have the chance to live again (1 Cor. 15:21-22, 45). With Adam, all lost their place with God. They are not the children of God, but of Satan (John 8:42-44). But, those who believe and receive Jesus, God will give them the power to become the sons of God! (John 1:12; Eph. 2:1-6).

III. God Bought Man Back - The Price is Paid For Redemption.

A. First prophecy about Jesus Christ.

"And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel" (Gen. 3:15).

Jesus truly broke Satan's power over man at the cross (bruised his head). Jesus is the seed of the woman - not the man. Neither does it say the seed of the man and woman, but of the woman. What does this mean? This is the virgin birth!

"Therefore the Lord Himself shall give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel" (Isa. 7:14).

Why was the virgin birth necessary?

B. The virgin birth

In Rom. 5:12-14, we see that sin and death came upon all men because of the sin of Adam. Because of this, everyone that is born has the nature of sin, even if they do not sin the same as Adam did. Rom. 3:23 says, **"..for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."** We all lost the glory of God because of what Adam did. Hebrews 9:22 says, **"...without the shedding of blood, there is no remission"** (forgiveness). In the Old Testament, God used the sacrifice of bulls and goats to atone or cover our sin as a shadow or representation of what was to come - the shedding of the blood of Jesus once and for all on the cross. But, the sacrifice of animals could never take away sin. That is, it covered (atoned) sin for God to see the blood as payment while He looked toward the day He would send His only begotten Son to earth to shed His blood for mankind. But the blood of animals could never purge us, cleanse or erase our sin and change us by giving us a new heart. There was still a guilty conscience and a remembrance of sin. For that, man could do very little. The offerings had to be made over and over again every year (Heb. 9:6-14).

But, man needed someone without sin, like the first Adam before he sinned to save them. Someone pure, but who could do it? Everyone had the nature of sin passed down from Adam and all had sinned. What could God do to save man? The virgin birth!

The seed always comes from the man and in this seed would always be the nature of sin that came from our father, Adam. The plan of God is marvelous! Jesus did not have the seed of man that was lost - the human race - because He was born of a woman - a virgin. No seed of man here. The Holy Spirit covered Mary and God spoke the Living Word to her and Mary accepted His Word. **"...let it be to me according to Your Word..."** She received the seed of the Word - the seed of God that became a Man in her womb - who became Jesus! Divine deity as God is His Father and yet Man as He was born of a woman! (Luke 1:30-38; John 1:14). Jesus did not have the nature of sin in Him and He never sinned or disobeyed God (Heb. 4:15). He was the perfect sacrifice.

C. Jesus becomes sin for us.

Jesus did not have the nature of sin, and He never committed sin. He was tempted in every point such as we are, yet without sin (Heb. 4:15). Jesus couldn't die because He never sinned. But, when He took our sin upon Him, **"For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him"** (2 Cor. 5:21).

"The Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all" (Isa. 53:6).

When He took our sin, there was a separation from God because of our sin (Matt. 27:46).

- D. Jesus offered Himself as a sacrifice for sin and for the consequences of sin.
He shed His blood to pay the price (Isa. 53:4-11; Heb. 9:11-17; Heb. 10:10-14). He died because of our sin.
- E. They beat Jesus and nailed Him to the Cross (Matt. 27:26-53).
- F. Jesus overcame Satan and delivered us from his control (Col. 2:13-15; Col. 1:13-14; 1 John 3:8).
- 1. Jesus went to the place of the dead at His death to pay the price for us.

"For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth" (Matt. 12:40).

There are 2 words in the Greek (which is what the New Testament was originally written in) for the place where those who lose their soul or those who never receive Jesus Christ, will go when they die.

- 2. Hades - It is regrettable that our English version of the Bible translates both words as hell, but there is a difference.

Hades is a place where those who do not believe or accept and serve God go after they die. (That is, their spirit and soul.) This word is the same as Sheol in Hebrew in the Old Testament. But, there was a part of Hades that was reserved for those who believed under the Old Testament. It is called Paradise. We know that because one of the thieves that was crucified with Jesus and accepted Him on the cross was told by Jesus as a result of his confession of faith, **"...today you will be with Me in Paradise"** (Luke 23:43). This Paradise cannot represent heaven because Jesus spent 3 days and 3 nights in the heart of the earth (Matt. 12:39-40). Those who were under the Old Testament (Old Covenant) before Jesus came, could not go to heaven even though they believed because Jesus had not yet gone to the cross and erased their sin by His blood. Those who are not cleansed by the blood of Jesus cannot enter into the presence of God because there is still a separation because of sin. God does not live in the presence of sin.

Because of this, God made a place in the area of Hades, but there was a separation between Hades and Paradise as we see in the story of the rich man and Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31). Hades has fire too because we see the rich man was suffering in the flames. But there was a place separate called Paradise. This story calls it Abraham's Bosom. Abraham was there. He told the rich man, **"...between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those from there pass to us"** (Luke 16:26).

When Jesus was raised from the dead, there were many who raised from the dead also. Many people saw them in Jerusalem (Matt. 27:52-53). These Old Testament saints were captive in Paradise and were waiting for Jesus to loose them so they could go on to heaven.

Look at Eph. 4:7-11. Jesus led away a multitude of captives and then gave gifts unto men. Gave gifts to the Church. These captives were people like Abraham, Moses, David, etc. All those who believed in God and believed in the Messiah to come, who had died under the Old Covenant (Testament), were in Paradise, waiting for Jesus to offer His blood to cleanse and sanctify them so that they could go on to heaven.

Jesus took away Satan's power in Hades and received power over death and the grave. He delivered those that were in Paradise at the same time He delivered us! (Rev. 1:18).

Peter said what David had prophesied in Acts 2:27 with the anointing of the Holy Spirit - **"For You will not leave my soul in hell (Hades), nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption..."** Read Acts 2:24-36.

3. Geenna is hell, the last place of judgment, the lake of fire. Jesus talked about hell (Geenna or Gehenna) in these verses: Matt. 5:22, 29, 30; Matt. 10:28. This is the second death (Rev. 20:14). Those who have accepted Christ will never experience this death because they have been cleansed by the blood of Jesus and will immediately go to heaven at the time of physical death. That is, our spirit and soul will go on to heaven and our bodies will be raised up when Jesus meets us in the air because Paul said, **"We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord"** (2 Cor 5:8). So we see, if we are absent from the body which is what happens at physical death, the real us, our spirit and soul, will be present with the Lord.

IV. Jesus Is Raised From the Dead.

A. Matt. 28:1-8

Jesus died because He took our sin and suffered what we would have suffered. But, He never sinned! It was not just for Him to stay in Hades, or the place of the dead, or the grave. He did nothing wrong ever! Because of this, God raised Him from the dead because it wasn't possible for death to hold Him under its power (Acts 2:24). Satan fell in his own trap. Satan thought he had Jesus (1 Cor. 2:7,8), but look at the knowledge of God! (Rom. 11:33-36).

B. Jesus receives all power!

1. Heb. 1:1-12; Heb. 2:6-18
2. Matt. 28:18-20
3. Mark 16:15-20

Adam lost the glory of God for all the human race in the Fall. Now, Jesus took it back and we are heirs with Him (Rom. 8:17).

C. We become new creatures in Christ when we accept Jesus Christ in our hearts and make Him Savior and Lord of our lives.

1. 2 Cor. 5:17-21; Rom. 10:9-10
2. We are raised together with Christ (Eph. 2:1-10).
3. We are saved by grace through faith, and that not of ourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest any man should boast (Eph. 2:8-9).
4. Jesus is the only way to inherit eternal life (John 3:16; John 14:6; Rom. 6:23).
5. We reign in life with Him (Rom. 5:17).

Jesus gives us authority over sin, the flesh, and evil spirits (Matt. 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-20; Luke 10:19).

6. He lives in us! (Col. 1:27; Gal. 2:20).

Questions: The Plan of Redemption

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1. When God created man, He gave them authority or dominion to govern the earth. Where in the Bible do we find this?
 - a. _____ Gen. 28:1 and Ps. 4:7-8
 - b. _____ Gen. 11:28 and Ps. 24:8
 - c. _____ Gen. 1:28 and Ps. 6:4-8
 - d. _____ Gen. 1:28 and Ps. 8:4-8

2. What is the sin that made Adam and Eve fall?
 - a. _____ Loving money
 - b. _____ Hatred
 - c. _____ Disobedience
 - d. _____ Adultery

3. What is spiritual death?
 - a. _____ Eternal death.
 - b. _____ Separation from the world.
 - c. _____ Turning away from God.
 - d. _____ Separation from God.

4. Did the nature of sin and therefore death come upon all because of Adam's sin?
 - a. _____ Yes
 - b. _____ No
 - c. What verse in the Bible shows us this? _____

5. Who is the second Adam?

6. What is the first prophecy that prophesied Jesus Christ? What verse? _____
 - a. _____ The day you eat of this, you shall surely die.
 - b. _____ One among your people will raise their heel against you.
 - c. _____ The seed of the woman will bruise your head and you will bruise his heel.

7. Why was Jesus born of a virgin?
 - a. _____ Because Mary was a pure vessel.
 - b. _____ Because God did not want Jesus to be born of a man and therefore have the sin nature in Himself. Jesus needed to be born without the sin nature.
 - c. _____ Because of being born of a virgin, He could save mankind.

8. Why was it necessary for Jesus to shed His blood on the cross?
- a. _____ To pay the ultimate price for our sins.
 - b. _____ So that He could die for us.
 - c. _____ Because without the shedding of blood, there would not have been the pardoning of our sins.
9. Jesus went to the place of the dead (Hades) after He died on the cross. Explain Hades and Paradise.
- a. _____ Hades is where the believers in Jesus go once dead. Paradise was for the unbelievers under the Old Testament.
 - b. _____ Hades is where the unbelievers go when they die. Paradise is where the believers under the Old Testament went when they died.
 - c. _____ Hades is actually the grave. Paradise is the same as Heaven.
- 9a. What did Jesus do in this Paradise?
- a. _____ Jesus delivered the believers who were under the Old Testament so they could go to Heaven.
 - b. _____ Jesus paid the price for them.
 - c. _____ Jesus actually went to Heaven when He went to Paradise.
10. What is Geenna or hell?
- a. _____ Paradise
 - b. _____ Hell, the place of judgement.
 - c. _____ The place of judgement for the believers.
11. Jesus never sinned, neither did He have the nature of sin in Him. Because of this, He would never have died. Why did He die then?
- a. _____ Because Jesus disobeyed His Father.
 - b. _____ Because they nailed Him to the cross.
 - c. _____ Because Jesus bore all of mankind's sins upon Himself.
12. How can someone accept Jesus?
- a. _____ By being baptized in water.
 - b. _____ By obeying the Ten Commandments.
 - c. _____ By asking Jesus to come into their lives as Lord and Savior by faith.
13. Why do you know you are saved? (Use the Word of God for your answer.)

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