

Date – September 27, 2020

Scripture/Bible Story/Theme

Genesis 2-3 Adam and Eve

Children's Illustrated Bible p. 20-21 – note 3rd week of same passage

God's great love for us offers us forgiveness for our sins.

Workshop Name

Promises on Apples and Leaves

Opening Prayer

Dear Lord,

Please show us a way out so that we will not give in to temptation. And thank you for forgiving us when we do make bad choices. Amen

Objectives Note these would be the objectives for the three weeks of our study of Adam and Eve. These are included for the adults so that you can see what we are trying to accomplish in this unit.

- Find the story in the book of Genesis
- Retell the story in their own words
- State in their own words some of the various conclusions or meanings of the story
- Identify temptations and wrong choices in their own lives and ways to be obedient to God
- State their understanding of Adam and Eve's sin and Jesus' death and resurrection
- Know that God has forgiven them even when they do wrong and that he is our guide to doing right.
- Understand that God did not abandon mankind but promised a Savior who restores us and Creation

In addition to the objectives above it would be helpful to go over these symbols and images and what they represent in the story.

Rib = God makes us companions and helpers for one another

Garden = God's desire and gifts for our lives

Tree of Life, Tree of Knowledge of Good & Evil = Listen to God or don't listen, choose what God wants, or decide you can make your own choices.

Fruit = Choices and Consequences. Right and wrong.

Serpent = The temptation to think we know better than God.

Nakedness and Fig Leaves = Shame and cover up

Animal skin Clothing = The beginning of redemption

Supplies ALL ITEMS BELOW ARE IN YOUR MATERIALS BAG

Red construction paper and the pattern to trace an apple
Green construction paper and the pattern to trace a leaf
Pattern for apple
Pattern for leaf
Large tree

Supplies I hope you have at home

Scissors, marking pens, glue

Activity

Ask them about choices they have made in the last couple of days. Food choices? Activity choices? When to do their chores and/or homework, what to wear? Ask them to tell you one good choice they have made that they are especially proud of. Ask them to tell you one bad choice they have made that they regret.

They will be making apples and leaves to remind them of the **gift of choice**. They will be putting the leaves and the apples on the tree. Remind them that this is the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil.

Cut out a few green leaves for good or go and a few red apples for stop or no. On the green leaves have them write promises that begin with "I promise to....." Promises should be behaviors such as do my homework, brush my teeth, be kind to my brothers or sisters, obey my parents, etc. While they are doing that, discuss with them behaviors they are sorry for or behaviors that they would like to improve on. On the apples they are to write promises that begin with "I promise not to....." Promises can be behaviors such as not teasing a brother or sister, not talking back, not sacking off on chores or homework, etc.

As they finish decorating the leaves and apples, glue them to the tree.

Reflection/Evaluation

Adam and Eve had to face the consequences of their actions. Sometimes we make bad choices. How can you improve the choices that you make? How does God help us after we have made bad decisions?

Lord's Prayer

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