



Throughout our study of Genesis 1 & 2 God has revealed the creation in its entire splendor. We have learned of God's formation of man and the making of his garden dwelling place eastward in the land of Eden. We have witnessed how God provided a _____ for the man, taking from his side a woman—like the man, yet different. Chapter 2 ends with this first marriage founded upon complete harmony, located in a perfect environment, charged with a grand _____, and complete with a close personal relationship with the Creator.

Today we begin our study of Chapter 3. The stage is now set for the man and his wife to fulfill their God given purpose and live forever accomplishing it, but, not without _____. As the tree of the knowledge of good and evil provided man with a freewill choice...so the opposition provides man with the ability to perfect righteousness in the sight of God. As we are all so painfully aware, our first parents _____ under the assault. If we are to have victory in our daily life, if we are to fulfill our God given purpose, it behooves us to study this opposition and be prepared to _____ ourselves against an assailant who has not changed his diabolical tactics since.

THE ENEMY'S BATTLE PLAN

1. The _____ assault – verse 1

- It is subtil (*often written today as subtle*)

Subtil – Sly in design; artful; cunning; insinuating; often applied to person, such as a subtil _____

The serpent is a _____ – Mt. 24:5, 11, 24; John 8:44; 2 Cor. 11:1-4, 13-15; 1 John 2:22; Rev. 20:3, 8

Q: If the woman was deceived when in a perfect state, how much more vulnerable are we as sinners?

A: _____ vulnerable

- It begins from a _____ perspective casting doubt upon God's character

Yea, hath God said...yea is another word for yes—it enforces the sense of something following or preceding

The first “_____” in scripture is spoken by a beast that is out to destroy the _____

- It comes in the form of a _____

Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

Beware: The root of all questioning and doubting the Bible is _____

2. The following surge – verses 2-3

- _____ from the word of God – verse 2

Omits the word, “_____”

- _____ to the word of God – verse 3

Neither shall ye touch it...

Scripture itself forbids subtracting from and adding to the word of God – Deut. 4:2; Pro. 30:6; Rev. 22:18-19

- Changes what God said – verse 3

...lest ye die

Beware: The first _____ that launches all of mankind into complete and utter ruin is subtracting from and adding to the word of God.

3. The battle plan – verses 1-5

- _____ the word of God – verse 1
- _____ the word of God – verse 4
- _____ the word of God – verse 5

Beware: The enemy's attack is primarily _____ and is _____ in character

4. Our best defense – Psalm 119:10-11

- _____ the word of God – Pr. 1:5, 8; 4:1, 10; 5:7; 8:6; 19:20; 22:17; 23:19; Rev. 1:3; 2:7, 11, 17, 29; 3:6, 13, 20, 22; 13:9

With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments. Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee. Psalm 119:10-11

I will meditate in thy precepts, and have respect unto thy ways. I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word. Psalm 119:15-16

- _____ the word of God – 1 Thess. 2:13
- _____ upon the word of God – Philippians 4:9

Be aware: Our _____ defense against the enemy's assault is to: read, study, memorize, write out the words, meditate upon, pray thru, carry with, teach, preach, believe, act upon, and as a result—_____ the word of God