

# THE NEED OF THE GOSPEL

## LESSON 1: Original Sin and Our Separation

**ANCHOR STATEMENT:** Sin is an issue for humanity because every one of us has been born into sin.

### **MAIN PASSAGE: Genesis 3:1-7**

*Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God really say, ‘You must not eat from any tree in the garden?’”*

*2 The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, 3 but God did say, ‘You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.’”*

*4 “You will not certainly die,” the serpent said to the woman. 5 “For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”*

*6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so, they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.*

**WHAT WE WANT STUDENTS TO KNOW:** That sin is a real issue for all of humanity, and understanding it’s presence in our lives is the first step to understanding the need for the Gospel.

**WHAT WE WANT STUDENTS TO DO WITH WHAT THEY’VE LEARNED:** To be conscious of their own sin, understand the difference between sin and temptation, and recognize ways that we are tempted to sin each day.