

Psalm 67:1-2

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.



A Very Bad Day

Genesis 3

In this story, we see how even though God created a perfect world and placed Adam and Eve in a beautiful garden with only one command, they chose to disobey. The serpent deceived Eve, Adam remained silent, and both ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Immediately the effects of sin came into the human heart and into the world—work would become hard, relationships would be broken, suffering and death would follow. The promise of joy, peace, and perfection was broken, and it was a very bad day.

Yet even in the midst of that bad day, this story points ahead to Jesus. God promised that one of Eve's offspring would crush the serpent's head (Genesis 3:15). This is the promise of the coming Messiah, the one who would enter history, come into a broken world, deal with sin, and restore what was lost. As we prepare for Advent and Christmas, we look back to this moment to see why Jesus's coming was needed: the promise of Jesus to come right from the beginning.

TROY KIDS RECAP

In Troy Kids this week, your students learned about The Fall of Adam and Eve. The Big Truth from this week is this – **“Sin, suffering, and death came into the world because Adam disobeyed God.”**

Ask these questions below to help your students remember and reflect on the lesson:

1. **Question:** After God gave Adam a command not to eat from one special tree, what did the snake say to Eve to try to get her to disobey God? How did Adam and Eve respond? **Takeaway: Sin is doubting God and choosing to disobey him.**

2. **Question:** When Adam and Eve ate the fruit, who were they choosing to believe? What happened to them because they listened to the snake? What are some ways choosing to sin has damaged you and your relationship with God? **Takeaway: We all choose to sin for different reasons, but it always damages us and our relationship with God.**

3. **Question:** What happened to the whole world as a result of Adam's sin? **Takeaway: Sin, suffering, and death came into the world through Adam's disobedience.**

4. **Question:** What promise did God make to Adam and Eve after they disobeyed? How did God keep it? **Takeaway: Jesus crushed the snake by dying on the cross. God kept his promise!**

BIG TRUTH

Sin, suffering, and **death** came into the world because Adam **disobeyed** God.

LISTEN/WATCH THE STORY

You can find a podcast of this story on Apple Podcast, Spotify, or Youtube.

Title: A Very Bad Day – Story 2



SPOTIFY



APPLE

- There are also animated videos of the story available on youtube.

READ THE STORY

Scripture: Gen 3

Story Bible: Story 2

The Biggest Story Bible Storybook is available on Amazon. This storybook will match the curriculum. Other storybook/beginner Bible's will likely be compatible as well.

PRAY IT

Ask God to help us trust and obey his good commands.

Thank Jesus for coming as the Rescuer who fulfilled God's very old promise.

Pray that we would trust Jesus who came to crush the serpent.

AT HOME

- Family Worship
 - This week, aim to Read, Pray, and Sing at least twice.
 - Pick two days.
 - Read from a story book Bible or use this plan to recap this story.
 - Pray through what you have read.
 - Sing – try simple hymns like “There is a Fountain Filled With Blood” or “Holy, Holy, Holy”. For younger kids start with “Jesus Loves Me” or “Doxology”

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