

April 3, 2016 Message Discussion Questions

1. Review Genesis 3 and the main ideas of the message together:

- What do you remember?
- What stood out to you?

2. We talked a lot about the temptation process together on Sunday by what we saw Satan do with Eve. Read together Jesus' experience with temptation in the wilderness in Matthew 4.1-11.

- What observations can you make about what's happening in the text?
- What parallels do you see between the 2 temptation attempts?
- How does comparing the 2 accounts maybe connect some dots for you in your own life?

3. Next read 1 John 2.15-17 together. What do you see here that parallels the temptation accounts you just read?

- Go through and define for us today:
 - What is the "lust of the flesh?"
 - What is the "lust of the eyes?"
 - What is the "pride of life?"

4. Now find 1 Corinthians 10.13 and read it together. Talk about what this means today.

- What does the phrase "common to mankind" mean?
- What does this look like today do you think?

5. Micheal talked about the best way to fight temptation as being "really knowing and loving God."

- Do you agree that the only way to really get there is through reading the Bible and prayer? Why or why not?
- What makes either of these hard for you?
- What are some ways to bring "life" to those times in your life?

6. We see a lot of blaming happening in Genesis 3 after sin happens. Why do you think we are so prone to do this as human beings?

- How do we become better at "owning our stuff" in a given day or week?
- What encouragement could Christ bring into that conversation?

7. It seems obvious that we live in a broken world today. In what ways do you see that today?

- How can we be a part of the renewal that Christ brings to such a world?