

FALL: SIN CAME INTO THE WORLD




FAMILY WORSHIP GUIDE

Remember this: People believed a lie, disobeyed God, and sin brought brokenness into the world.

Read this: Genesis 3:1–9

Say this: Adam and Eve, the man and woman God created, lived in a perfect world free of sin, sadness and death. God gave them one command to follow. Can you imagine our family having only one rule? What are some of our rules? *[Allow time to share.]* Yes we have several but God only had one. It was: "Do not eat the fruit of the tree of knowing." Easy right? It wasn't.

The Bible says that the snake was more clever than any other animal. It approached Eve and told her a terrible, terrible lie. He asked, "Did God really say?" This is the hiss of the Serpent, the lie of the enemy from the beginning of time that we still hear today. It's a lie that makes us question, "Did God really say?" and, "Is God really good?" The snake got Adam and Eve to question God's instruction to them. And then Adam and Eve did the very thing we talked about last week. They forgot the truth of who God is and believed a lie about God and themselves.

This lie led them to not only not believe what God said, but also made them question God's goodness and wisdom that was on display all around them in every piece of fruit they ate, every

blade of grass that softened the earth, and in every drop of water that God created just by speaking. It was a sneaky lie, a clever lie that sounded true but wasn't true at all.

All of creation was saying to Adam and Eve that God is good, God is all powerful and there is no reason not to trust Him. But the lie went into their ears and deep into their hearts and they believed God was keeping them from something good.

God wasn't doing that. He was loving, protecting and growing them to know Him and the world He made. But Adam and Eve didn't want God's way. They wanted their own way more. So, they disobeyed God's word and chose to do what they thought was best instead. In disobeying God's word they brought sin and death into the perfect world God had made.

Pray this: God forgive me for the ways I have disobeyed your word to me. Forgive me for trying to do what I think is best rather than trusting in your plan. Help me to ignore the hiss of the snake, the lies that would turn me from you. Help me to live my life for you and to obey to your plans for me. In Jesus' name, amen.

Sing this: "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"



MEMORY VERSE

Romans 5:6–8 : For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Week 3

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MAKE A SONG

Song Creation | Make a Song from this Verse

1. Feel the verse out loud.

Read it together. Spot the big contrast: nobody would willingly die for a bad person. But God did. **Ask:** Does your song start heavy and build toward hope? Or does it land on grace right from the start?

2. Pick one verse or a few phrases and a melody.

Verse 8 is a natural anchor: *while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.* It's practically a chorus already. Try setting that line first, then see if the verses before it lead in. Melody ideas:

- "Amazing Grace (fits the theme perfectly)"
- "How He Loves"
- "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
- A song your family already loves

Try making verse 8 your repeating chorus. The contrast in verses 6–7 can be the verse that leads into it.

3. Record it.

Sing your song into a parent's phone. One take. Clunky is fine.

4. Make up a dance.

You've been singing it, now move to it. Put on the recording and let everyone make up their own moves. Then try to agree on a dance you can all do together. It doesn't have to be good. It just has to be yours.



SUMMER CHALLENGE

Truth or Lie Game — Say simple statements and let kids guess whether they are true or false.

Obstacle Course Obedience Game — Blindfold a family member and guide them through obstacles by learning to listen to the voice of the person guiding them.

Have a family movie night.

Swim in a Lake or Go to a Pool.

Do one hidden act of kindness for a sibling, neighbor or friend.

Trust Walk — Blindfold one family member at a time and have another gently guide them through the yard or a room.

Build a Blanket Fort.



TRUE OR FALSE?

1. Alabama: It is illegal to wear a fake mustache that causes laughter in church. (True)
2. Alaska: In Fairbanks, it is illegal to serve alcohol to a moose. (True)
3. Alaska: It is illegal to land your spaceship in a field of flowers. (False)
4. Arizona: In Mohave County, if anyone is caught stealing soap, they must wash themselves with it until it is all used up. (True)
5. Arkansas: Only tractors are allowed to park next to a farm. (False)
6. California: It is illegal to whistle for a lost canary before 7 a.m. (True)
7. Colorado: You can only wear a hat if you are also wearing a dress. (False)
8. Connecticut: A pickle is only legally considered a pickle if it bounces. (True)
9. Delaware: It is illegal to dock your pirate ship on a Sunday. (False)
10. Florida: It is illegal to sell your children. (True)
11. Georgia: It is illegal to keep a donkey in a bathtub. (True)
12. Hawaii: It is illegal to eat inside an active volcano. (False)
13. Illinois: In the city of Chicago, it is illegal to eat in a place that is on fire. (True)
14. Iowa: One-armed piano players must perform for free. (True)
15. Kentucky: It is illegal to carry ice cream in your back pocket. (True)
16. Tennessee: It is illegal to ride your llama into town. (False)
17. Texas: You must eat at a restaurant once a month. (False)
18. Maine: If a lobster catches you in its claw, you must give it a gold coin. (False)



COMPLETE THE COMIC

FINISH THIS DRAWING



Finish this picture! Turn this shape into something creative.

DOTS & BOXES

Find a partner.
Take turns connecting two dots, either side-to-side or up-and-down.
When someone makes a box, write their initial.
The player with the most boxes at the end wins!

