

SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

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Sermon Discussion Guide

Series: What's the Point? Sermon: Why did Jesus Come?

Recap the Highlights:

Why Did Jesus Come?

Genesis 2:7-8 ⁷ Then the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils of life, and the man became a living being. ⁸ Now the Lord God had planted a garden in the east, in Eden; and there he put the man he had formed.

Genesis 2:15-17 ¹⁵The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. ¹⁶And the Lord God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; ¹⁷but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die."

Genesis 3:1-5 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."

Genesis 3:7-8⁷ 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. **8** Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

Covenant - a binding, unbreakable obligation between two parties, based on unconditional love sealed by blood and sacred oath, that creates a relationship in which each party is bound by specific undertakings on each others' behalf.

The serious nature of sin, which results in death is met by a serious agreement that requires blood!

What does this mean for you and I? God came to us through a relationship with Christ, rather than demanding we get to Him through obeying the law!

Now Dig Deeper:

- 1. Discuss the different times that God made a covenant with us?
- 2. How does a covenant differ from a contract? How do you view these in your personal life vs. relationship with God?
- 3. Why did Jesus come?

Respond & Pray:

• Pray as a group and ask for the Holy Spirit to truly convict you in ways that are inhibiting you from having a stronger relationship with God.