

UNDERSTANDING THE SEXES
God's Blueprint for Men and Women

FORBIDDEN FRUIT

Genesis 3:1-9 Jeff Schreve

“Indeed, has God said, ‘You shall not eat from any tree of the garden’?” Genesis 3:1

What does God want us to learn from the fall of man?

1. Beware of the devil.

A. He comes in disguise.

*... even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light.
2 Corinthians 11:14*

B. He comes to deceive.

1. He wants you to doubt God.

2. He wants you to believe a lie.

3. He wants you to focus on the forbidden.

2. Beware of the destruction that comes from role-reversal.

A. Man is to lead, and woman is to follow.

*Wives, be subject to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also is the head of the church, He Himself being the Savior of the body.
Ephesians 5:22-23*

B. Eve is leading, and Adam is letting her – NOT GOOD!

... she gave also to her husband with her and he ate. Genesis 3:6

C. God holds you responsible for your role.

“Because you listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree about which I commanded you, saying, ‘You shall not eat from it.’” Genesis 3:17

3. Beware the consequences that come from sin.

Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loin coverings. And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.
Genesis 3:7-8

A. Sin brings self-consciousness.

B. Sin brings shame.

C. Sin brings separation.

*Then the LORD God called to the man, and said to him,
“Where are you?” Genesis 3:9*

Where are you today?

You are either walking with God or hiding from God.