

## Creation: The Beginning of Life as We Know It

January 19, 2025 – Chapter One  
Adult Bible Class

### Chapter 1: Sin Changes Everything

Of all the things that sin ruins, what is the worst casualty? \_\_\_\_\_

- With \_\_\_\_\_
- With \_\_\_\_\_
- With \_\_\_\_\_

Remember: Every \_\_\_\_\_.

*“Every time you make a choice you are turning the central part of you, of who you are, into something a little different from what it was before. With all your innumerable choices, all your life long you are slowly turning this central thing either into a heavenly creature or into a hellish creature; either into a man that is in harmony with God, and with others, or else into one that is in a state of war with God, and with others.*

*To be the one kind of creature is joy and peace; to be the other means madness, rage and eternal loneliness. Each of us at each moment is progressing to the one state or the other.”*

–C. S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*

*“People often rationalize their actions by using the old phrase, ‘The end justifies the means.’ I’ll do whatever I need to right now, and then later I’ll do the right thing. The problem is that usually by the end, you’ve become the means.”*

–Anna Quindlen

The good news: God’s next steps:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

*“From now on, you and the woman will be enemies, and your offspring and her offspring will be enemies. He will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.”*

Genesis 3:15

“How could a good God allow this evil to take place?”

We must learn to “\_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_.”

## Today’s Equipping Point

**Be the \_\_\_\_\_**

*The LORD has made proclamation to the ends of the earth: “Say to the Daughter of Zion, ‘See, your Savior comes! See, his reward is with him, and his recompense accompanies him.’”*

*They will be called the Holy People, the Redeemed of the LORD; and you will be called Sought After, the City No Longer Deserted.*

Isaiah 62:11-12

*Thus says the Lord GOD to the shepherds: “Woe to the shepherds of Israel who feed themselves! Should not the shepherds feed the flocks? You eat the fat and clothe yourselves with the wool; you slaughter the fatlings, but you do not feed the flock. The weak you have not strengthened, nor have you healed those who were sick, nor bound up the broken, nor brought back what was driven away, nor sought what was lost...”*

Ezekiel 34:2,4

## Discussion Questions

1. What one thing from your past was spoiled/ruined far before its time?
2. If you could go back in time, what one relationship marred by sin would you first restore?
3. Who will you pursue this week, and exactly how will you do it?



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