

Question 32

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Q. 32 Who tempted them to this sin?

A. 32 The devil tempted Eve, and she gave the fruit to Adam.

Scripture Base: Gen 3:1-8; Isaiah 14:12-15;
1 Tim. 2:14; James 1:14-15.

Doctrine: WCF 6:1, 9:2. SC 13

Supplementary Questions.

1. Who is the devil?

2. What did the devil do to get Adam & Eve to eat the forbidden fruit and disobey God?

3. Why did the devil tempt Eve into eating the forbidden fruit?

Songs: “God made a Covenant with Adam” & “Jesus Our Redeemer” – Judy Rogers

Teaching Notes.

Review Q31 What was the sin of our first parents? - *Eating the forbidden fruit.*

Story from Gen 3.

Questions

1. The devil was once the most beautiful of the angels (Ezek. 28:12-15), but he tried to exalt himself above God and was cursed for his disobedience (Isa. 14:12-15). He also persuaded about a third of the angels to join him in his rebellion (Rev. 12:4). He has lost all of his original holiness (love for God) and now only hates God.

2 He tempted Eve by tricking her into thinking that eating the fruit was a good thing – he told her she’d be like God (Gen. 3:4-6; 1 Tim. 2:14). How can we know what is good or evil? Only by comparing it to God’s Law. Temptation is when we are enticed or persuaded to do something wrong, something against God’s will/Law (James 1:14-15). Eve gave the fruit to her husband, and he ate (v. 6). Adam wasn’t tricked into doing this, but he ate it anyway (1 Tim. 2:14; we’re not really sure why).

3 The devil hates God and wants to destroy whatever He does. By getting Adam and Eve to disobey God, he hoped to destroy all mankind.

Gospel: Did the devil’s plan to destroy mankind succeed? No. God knew that the devil would tempt Eve and that both Adam and Eve would fall into sin. But He also knew what He planned to do about it: He would send His Son Jesus into the world to obey His Law and to die for His people so that He might save them. Because of what Jesus has done, God can give His Spirit to whomever He wants to enable them to turn from their sins – He gives them the strength to resist temptation and to do what is right – and to believe in Jesus – He gives them the ability to trust Jesus to save them from the consequences of their sins. Are you resisting temptation and trusting in Jesus? Then you are saved. But if you aren’t, then you need to pray and ask Jesus to save you.

Extras: Memory Verse. James 1:1

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