



Out of Alignment Small Group Questions Genesis 3

Community

- What's the most tempting food for you that is nearly impossible to resist?
- What insights, principles, or observations from this weekend's message did you find to be most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling? Explain.
- What is one thing you would do differently as a result of this message?

Core: Read Genesis 1:26-31

1. The serpent challenged God's words by asking, "*Did God actually say...?*" Why do you think temptation often begins with questioning God's character or His definition of what is good?

2. Craig described "Garden Moments" as times when we must decide whether God gets to define good and evil or whether we will define it for ourselves. Can you think of a recent situation where you faced that kind of choice?

3. The first sin was Adam and Eve deciding that they were better judges of good and evil than God. What do you think about that statement? How does it inform the way we think about sin?

4. After they sinned, Adam and Eve hid from God. What are some ways people still try to hide today?

5. The sermon used the illustration of a car that is out of alignment. Where do you see evidence of humanity being "out of alignment" with God's design in:
 - Our relationship with God?
 - Our relationships with others?
 - Our relationship with creation?

6. Why is it important to understand that every person still bears God's image, even in a broken world?

7. Genesis 9 and James 3 both affirm that people continue to bear God's image after the Fall. How might believing this change the way we treat people?

8. Genesis 3 ends with consequences, but it also contains the first promise of redemption (Genesis 3:15). Where do you see signs of God's grace and hope even in the midst of humanity's rebellion?

9. This week, where do you sense God inviting you to move back into alignment with Him? What is one practical step you can take to trust His definition of good and evil rather than your own?