

Thursday, March 1, 2018

Final Sacrifice – [Genesis 3:1-24](#)

And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel.

Genesis 3:15

The crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus to provide the redemption of sinful humanity was not God's "Plan B" after everything else failed. Instead, God anticipated sending Jesus as the sacrificial lamb before He spoke all of creation into existence.

This passage shows how Adam and Eve rebelled against God through intentional disobedience and broke the unity of relationship they enjoyed with Him. It also gives us the first indication that God intended to restore the broken relationship when the serpent would be crushed by the Seed of Eve.

Adam and Eve believed the lies of the serpent instead of the truth of God's Word. When they ate of the forbidden fruit, their eyes were opened, they saw their nakedness, and they walked in shame. Instead of enjoying the pleasures of God and all of His creation, now they hid from Him. They sewed together leaves to cover their bodies in a failed attempt to hide their shame. The personal relationship they shared with God was now damaged and their efforts to make it right would not and could not succeed.

As Adam and Eve tried in vain to hide, God came calling. He addressed their sin with its consequences and pointed to the eternal solution that He would provide: the Deceiver would be defeated. Then, God graciously provided a covering for their nakedness and protected them from further harm.

In the midst of rebellion and brokenness, God offers help for today and hope for tomorrow. His promise to send a victorious Savior was fulfilled in Jesus Christ. When you suffer the consequences of your sin, in Jesus God provides help for today and hope for eternity. Today, trust God for forgiveness and restoration through Jesus.