

# S.A.F.E. Homes



*“Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.” - Hebrews 13:8*

## Hide and Seek

When God created the world He saw that everything was good (Genesis 1:31). He created the birds, all the cattle, horses, trees and people. The Bible tells us that the first people God created were Adam and Eve. God told Adam and Eve that they could eat anything in the beautiful and abundant garden He created for them, except the fruit from the ‘tree of the knowledge of good and evil’ (Genesis 2:17). If they ate from this tree they would surely die. Yet, Adam and Eve disobeyed God and ate of the forbidden fruit. It was through this disobedient act that sin entered the world.

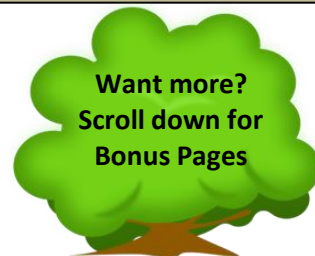
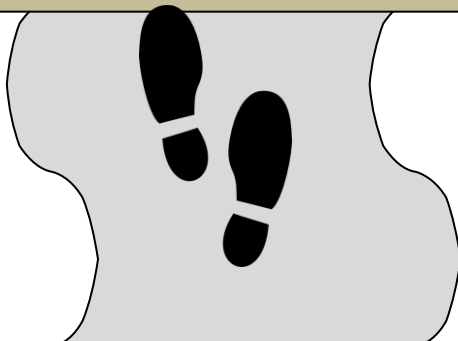
Now when Adam and Eve ate the fruit they did not fall over and die right at that moment. What God meant was that their once perfect bodies would now experience suffering, pain and sorrow that would result in their eventual death. Worse than that, because sin separates man from God, Adam and Eve no longer would have the privilege to fellowship with God as they did before. Instead of asking God for forgiveness, they ran and hid. You might have thought that this was the end of the story, but it was not. God’s love did not change because Adam and Eve sinned.

Just like Adam and Eve tried to cover themselves, we will sometimes try to hide our sins from God and others. The Bible tells us that God’s love does not change and even if we sin, if we will turn to God, He will make a way to bring us back to him.

***“If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.”***

***-II Chronicles 7:14***

**Family Prayer: Lord, may my heart always be sensitive to Your voice. I pray that I find an altar of repentance in my daily walk with you. Thank You for Your grace that keeps me. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.**



Looking



Inward

Write down at least 5 sins on separate note cards such as lying, cheating, etc. and hide throughout the house. Once all cards are found discuss the impact of hidden sins and how they can separate us from a relationship with God.

Let's talk

God is Omnipotent, Omniscient, and Omnipresent, meaning He is all powerful, knows everything, and is everywhere at the same time. Therefore, nothing is truly hid from Him. Explain these attributes of God to your children, and encourage each family member to have a time of repentance during prayer time. Remember: I John 1:9 says, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive our sins..."

“But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost.” – II Corinthians 4:3  
This great gospel is to be taken to the uttermost parts of the earth. Take a map or a globe and have each family member choose a country to pray for everyday this week. Pray for the foreign or home missionaries, the Work of God there, their families, their finances, their safety, etc. At the end of the week, you may ask your local Pastor for an address to send the missionary family a word of encouragement.



Looking



Outward

**Additional Challenges**

Acts 13:22 – “...I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfill all my will.”

Read II Samuel 11 and 12

God called David, ‘a man after his own heart’. How could this be after reading chapter 11?

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What happened when the Prophet Nathan confronted King David? Did he cover his sin?

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What was the punishment for David’s sin?

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What did David do while his child was sick? What did he do when the child died?

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Was David doomed to a lifetime of failure? How was God’s grace shown unto him in the future?

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**Matching**

**God's Amazing Love**

\_\_\_ Everything God created was...

\_\_\_ The first people created were

\_\_\_ God told Adam he could eat any fruit except

\_\_\_ Adam and Eve were

\_\_\_ If they ate from the tree, they would

\_\_\_ Their perfect bodies would now experience

\_\_\_ When they found they were not clothed

\_\_\_ If we turn to God

\_\_\_ For God so loved the world

A. From the tree of knowledge of good and evil

B. Disobedient

C. That He gave...

D. He will make a way to bring us back to Him

E. They hid

F. Die

G. Suffering

H. Good

I. Adam and Eve

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## THE BEGINNING OF SIN



*Draw fruit on the tree and Adam and Eve under the tree*