



Relational – Lesson 3

Memory Verse: Genesis 1:27 “God created man in his own image.”

Key Point: God created us to have a relationship with him!

Bible Verse: Genesis 3:1–24

SCHEDULE:

Center Time

around 10 minutes

Help the individuals transition by actively engaging them from the beginning. Try setting up centers to color, play with blocks and Play-Doh, or do puzzles.

Memory Verse

Use the Memory Verse page and images to go over the memory verse by placing them in the correct order on the board (personal or pocket chart).

Activity/Coloring Sheet (optional)

Big Group Time (optional)

Lesson

- Read through the lesson below. For a shortened version, just read the bolded words.
- Within the lesson, there are numbers that correspond to the story point pictures. For example, (1) corresponds to the first story point and picture, and so on.
- Allow individuals to place pictures on the board (personal or pocket chart) in sequential order.
- Key Point
- Use the review questions to check for understanding.

Video (optional)

Repeat Key Point & Memory Verse

Use the activities below for repetition of the story points, key points, and memory verse.

- Act out the Story.
- Bean Bag Toss: restate part of the story, memory verse, or key point when tossing.
- Hangman: play hangman using key points or parts of the story.

Activity/Coloring Sheet (optional)

Five Finger Gospel (optional)

LESSON:

This is a story from Genesis 3 in **the Bible** (1). God created the heavens and the earth. He made the land and the seas, the animals, and the trees. And **God** made people! He also **made a beautiful garden called Eden**, and he put Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden to "work and watch over" it (Genesis 2:15). **Adam and Eve were happy living in the garden** (2).

God put wonderful **trees in the Garden** of Eden **that produced delicious fruit for Adam and Eve to eat, but he gave them one rule** (3)! **The one rule was, "You can eat the fruit of any tree in the garden—except the tree of the knowledge of good and evil** (4) (Genesis 2:16-17)." God wanted Adam and Eve to obey. The way he created the world was wonderful. Life was easy and happy for Adam and Eve. But something happened that changed everything.

One day, the serpent is in the garden (5). **He is evil and tries to trick Eve by telling her that she should eat** the fruit **from the tree of knowledge of good and evil** (6). But God said not to eat fruit from that tree. So **Eve has a choice—she can believe the serpent** and his lies **or she can believe God** (7). God loves Eve and she has a perfect relationship of love with God.

I am sorry to say that **Eve** does not make a wise choice. She **eats the fruit**. Then, she **gives some fruit to** her husband **Adam, and he eats it too** (8)! **Adam and Eve do not obey God**. Adam and Eve **have sinned** (9)! When we do not obey God, it is called sin, too.

The perfect relationship Adam and Eve had with God is now broken by sin. Adam and Eve try to hide from God because they feel ashamed. God has to punish their sin. Now their work will be hard for them, and it will be hard for them to work together and get along. God also punishes the serpent for tricking Adam and Eve. **God has** no choice but **to send Adam and Eve out of the Garden** (10) of Eden.

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Review Questions

Group A	Group B
Who tricked Eve? (The serpent)	Who tricked Eve? (The serpent)
Did Eve obey God? (No)	What is it called when we don't obey God? (Sin)
Did Adam obey God? (No)	Did Eve obey God? (No)
What is it called when we don't obey God? (Sin)	Did Adam obey God? (No)
Does God have to punish their sin? (Yes)	What did Adam and Eve do because they were ashamed? (They tried to hide from God)
Does God punish the serpent? (Yes)	What does sin do? (It breaks our relationship with God)
Does sin break the perfect relationship Adam and Eve had with God? (Yes)	