*Godly Women Series 2019 Part 1*

Eve: Mother Of All Living

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Text: Gen. 3:20

### Intro

1. Rom. 15:4: O.T. accounts are for our instruction (learning) – learn the lesson of Eve!
2. Eve is often remembered for her sin in failing to defeat temptation.
   1. The story of Adam and Eve didn’t end in the Garden.
   2. Eve showed faith after the Garden so can be an example of how to move on past sin.
3. Gen. 3:20:
   1. Eve is called “the mother of all the living.”
   2. Eve: *Chavvah (khav-vaw') H2332:* “life-giver; Chavvah (or Eve), the first woman: -Eve.”
   3. Some have thought that there were others created and Adam called Eve, “Mother of all the living” to signify that she was their physical mother in a sense.
   4. The Scriptures don’t reveal that, but what is revealed is that her name means, “Life-Giver” so in that sense she is the “Mother of all Living” for from her came life!
4. Eve is the “Mother of all the living” and her example still affects us today!

#### Eve’s Creation

* 1. Gen. 2:18-25: Eve was created to fulfill a companionship need.
     1. Adam was given the honor of naming the animals but in so doing saw he had no companion – Gen. 2:20
     2. God formed woman from man and it is for woman a man leaves his home to cling to his wife – Gen. 2:23-25
     3. Since that time man and woman alike come forth from woman! (Life-giver)
     4. Eve’s creation for Adam stands as testament against sins of bestiality *(Lev. 20:15-16)* & homosexuality *(Lev. 20:13; Rom. 1:26-27)* by men or women!
  2. Gen. 1:26-28: Eve was given an honored position with Adam
     1. Gen. 1:26: “Let ***them*** rule…”
     2. Gen. 1:28: “God said to ***them***, "…subdue it; and rule over…”
  3. Gen. 3:20: Adam named her “Eve” which means “Life-giver.” *(H2332)*
     1. As first woman, she is “the mother of all the living.”
     2. Ever since, life has come from women!
     3. Gal. 4:4-5: She (woman) became the “mother” of those who live spiritually in Christ, who came in fulfillment to the promise given in Gen. 3:15.
  4. God gave to women the gift of bringing forth life; Eve’s legacy is still felt today!

#### Eve’s Sin

1. Gen. 3:1-6: Eve’s temptation and sin (I John 2:15-17)
   1. She gave in to three appeals – Gen. 3:6; Js. 1:14-15
      1. Good food (I Jn. 2:16: Lust of the flesh)
      2. Eye appeal (I Jn. 2:16; Lust of the eyes)
      3. Desired wisdom (I Jn. 2:16: Boastful pride of life)
2. Satan’s approach:
   * + 1. Began by creating “innocent doubt,” “Has God said…?”
          1. The lie that “There is no harm.”
       2. Two lies that still lure people away today:
          1. “You will not get hurt.”
          2. “You are cheating yourself out of the good life!”
       3. He questioned God’s goodness – Gen. 3:4-5
       4. He denied God’s word – Gen. 3:4
          1. Once respect for God’s word is gone, temptation becomes more powerful and once we give in, we commit sin – Js. 1:14-17, 21
3. Eve was deceived by Satan – II Cor. 11:3
   * 1. Have we ever been deceived?
     2. Paul feared for the Corinthians, that they like Eve would be deceived!
     3. II Cor. 10:3-5: Our battle is the same as Eve’s when it comes to temptation!
4. Adam and Eve both sinned – Gen. 3:6 *(Rom. 5:14-21: Paul mentions Adam for sin)*
5. They both shifted blame – Gen. 3:11-13 *(Adam was with her – didn’t stop her)*
6. Eve was to be a helper, but instead instigated her husband to sin with her.
7. They both suffered the consequences – Gen. 3:16-17
   1. Women would suffer pain in childbirth and are to be in subjection to their husbands – I Tim. 2:11-15
   2. Men would have to work hard to eat – II Thess. 3:10
8. The consequences for Adam and Eve’s sin are still felt today!

#### Eve’s Faith

* 1. Just as we don’t like to be remembered for the wrongs we have done, neither should Eve.
  2. There are many good things about Eve.
  3. Gen. 3:20: She is the mother of all the living
     1. When we honor our mothers, in a way we honor Eve, the first mother.
     2. The honor from God was that from her all human life was given to the world.
     3. From woman came the honor of giving life to the Light of the world! *(Lk. 1:26-38; Jn. 8:12; Gal. 4:4)*
  4. Gen. 4:1: Eve’s response to the birth of Cain
     1. “I have gotten a manchild with the help of the Lord.” (Ps. 127:3)
     2. She understood that the birth of a human child is the result of an act of God!
     3. She gave God the credit and the glory for her son.
     4. This was after the eviction from the Garden – she was not bitter towards God!
  5. Gen. 4:25: Eve’s response to the birth of Seth
     1. “God has appointed me another child in place of Abel, for Cain killed him.”
     2. She could have been bitter or angry at God (blamed God) for Abel’s death.
     3. But instead she gave God the glory & thanks for another son in naming him.
     4. Seth = *Sheth (H8352):* “appointed; substitute.” *(Ps. 127:3)*
  6. Eve recognized the sanctity of life (Her name: “Life-giver”) and that children were gifts from God! (Gen. 5:4; Ps. 127:3-5)
     1. If only more mothers today were like Eve in that respect!
  7. Eve’s example is that one can move on past sin and give glory and thanks to God!

## Conclusion

1. Eve is an example still today:
   1. To not be deceived one must hold fast to the word of God (Phil. 2:16; *Gen. 3:2-3).*
   2. Once one has sinned, one must move past it and remain faithful to God (I Jn. 1:9).
2. We all feel the effects of the decisions made by Adam and Eve both good and bad.
   1. Making the best of the curse of Adam – Eccl. 3:12-13; 5:18-19: The fruits of our labor (our hard work) are our reward and is the “gift of God!”
   2. Despite the pain of childbirth, children are gifts from God! – Ps. 127:3
3. What will be a lasting consequence of our actions?
   1. Godly children? Tarnished reputation? Eternity with God? Eternity with Satan?
4. Example of Eve: Avoid temptation (move on past sin) & give God the glory for all things He has blessed us with!
5. If you are not a Christian, you need to be. Repent and be baptized into His name!
6. If a Christian in error, don’t wait till it’s eternally too late. Repent and be renewed!
7. Whatever your requests, let them be made known ***NOW*** while we stand & sing!