

SERMON NOTES. . .

“The Set-Up, the Cover-Up and the Pay-Up” Gen. 3:1-19

1. God said, “You are free to eat from any tree in the garden but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will surely ____.”

2. When you listen to the devil, he does two things: 1) He makes you _____ God’s Word and create doubt. 2) He makes God look unfair.

3. The devil is a liar. But he calls God a _____.

4. Sin may be _____ for a season but the result is death.

5. When you decide to make your own moral rules based on what you think and not what _____ says, it’s like making yourself _____.

6. _____ up your sin may hide it from others but it won’t hide it from God. He sees all and He knows all.

7. Instead of coming clean, Adam did what we all do. He began to _____ others for his mistakes.

8. Cover-up is nothing more than _____ for your actions. The devil made me do it; my parents didn’t raise me right; I’ve got so much peer pressure; everybody else is doing it.....

9. Believing the hype will cause you to be set-up by the enemy and the set-up will lead to the cover-up and then there will always be the _____.

10. “Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also _____. For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap eternal life.”

11. Only God could cover Adam and Eve’s shame and that required a sacrifice and the shedding of _____.



West Prairie Lutheran
Church

Welcome to West Prairie Lutheran Church!

Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC)

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Steve Bang, pastor

Please sign the attendance sheets located at the end of each pew.

If you are a visitor, please include your mailing address.

We invite you to join us again!

8:30 a.m. — March 5, 2017

First Sunday in Lent

Worship Service with Holy Communion

All who are baptized in the Christian faith and have accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior are invited to celebrate the Lord's Supper.

Prelude

Pastoral Greeting

Please stand if you are able.

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness page 77

Opening Hymn, All People That on Earth Do Dwell.....LBW #245

Kyrie page 78

Hymn of Praise *This is the Feast*..... page 81

Prayer of the Day

(All) Lord God, our strength, the battle of good and evil rages within and around us, and our ancient foe tempts us with his deceits and empty promises. Keep us steadfast in Your Word and, when we fall, raise us again and restore us through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

You may be seated.

First Lesson: Genesis 3:1-21

Now the serpent was more crafty than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said to the woman, "indeed, has God said, 'You shall not eat from any tree of the garden'?"

And the woman said to the serpent, "From the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat; but from the fruit of the tree which is in the middle of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat from it or touch it, lest you die.'"

Postlude

Pastor: Steve Bang

Organist: Sandy Damm

Lectionary: Lanette Branstad

Usher: Jan Reimann, Paris Reimann

Acolyte: Caitlin Fjeld

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today . . .

7 p.m. Youth Group

Wednesday, March 8 . . .

9 a.m. WOW quilting; noon pizza party.

3 p.m. Confirmation Class

7 p.m. Lenten worship service at Sion (6 p.m. supper)

Next Sunday, March 12 . . .

8:30 a.m. Worship Service

9:30 a.m. Fellowship

9:45 a.m. Sunday School or all ages

Tuesday, March 14 . . .

7 p.m. Church council

Congratulations to David and Claire Branstad on the birth of their daughter Leah Aubrey on March 3.

Prayer request for Robert Olsen who is in CCU in Mason City awaiting procedure for blockage. He is a brother-in-law of Collette Reimann

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Prayer List — Health concerns for Jonie Bang, Denise Holst, Robert Olsen, Elaine Ritz, Carver Moffat, Marlys Haugen, Mike Haack, Dale Zingg, Dorothy Kall, Ben Charlson, Monte Branstad, Blanche Durby, Eldora Reil; Angela Haugen serving in the military. All prayer requests can be submitted to Pastor Steve @641-590-7894; or leave a message on the church answering system @641-567-3733.

Him all the kingdoms of the world, and their glory; and he said to Him, "All these things will I give You, if You fall down and worship me."

Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and serve Him only.'"

Then the devil left Him; and behold, angles came and began to minister to Him.

The Gospel of our Lord.

Response: *Glory to You, O Lord*..... page 83

The Sermon: Pastor Steve Bang

"The Set-Up, the Cover-Up and the Pay-Up"

Hymn, *Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain*.....LBW #301

Nicene Creed.....page 84

Prayer

Congregational Response: Hear my prayer.

Sharing of the peace.

Offering

Please stand.

Offertory, *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*..... 86

Pastor: Let us pray,

Congregation: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what You have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of Your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him who offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Great Thanksgivingpage 88

The Words of Institution.....page 89

The Lord's Prayer.....page 91

Distribution of Holy Communion

Communion Hymns.....Grey Hymn Book #621, 98, 279

Post-Communion Canticlepage 92 & 93

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Benedictionpage 97

Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Closing Hymn, *Glory Be to Jesus*..... LBW #95

And the serpent said to the woman, "You surely shall not die! For God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

When the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was desirable to make one wise, she took from its fruit and ate; and she gave also to her husband with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loin coverings.

And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. Then the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?"

And he said, "I heard the sound of Thee in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid myself."

And He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?"

And the man said, "The woman whom Thou gavest to be with me, she gave me from the tree, and I ate.

Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" And the woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

And the Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you more than all cattle, and more than every beast of the field; on your belly shall you go, and dust shall you eat all the days of your life; and I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; he shall bruise you on the head, and you shall bruise him on the heel."

To the woman He said, "I will greatly multiply your pain in childbirth, in pain you shall bring forth children; yet your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you."

Then to Adam He said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree about which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat from it'; cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of

your life. Both thorns and thistles it shall grow for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field; by the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, because from it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

Now the man called his wife’s name Eve, because she was the mother of all the living. And the Lord God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife, and clothed them.

Here ends the reading.

Psalm 32:1-7 (responsively)

L: How blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven,

C: whose sin is covered!

L: How blessed is the man to whom the Lord does not impute iniquity,

C: and in whose spirit there is no deceit!

L: When I kept silent about my sin, my body wasted away

C: through my groaning all day long.

L: For day and night Thy hand was heavy upon me;

C: my vitality was drained away as with the fever heat of summer.

L: I acknowledged my sin to Thee, and my iniquity I did not hide;

C: I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord”; and Thou didst forgive the guilt of my sin.

L: Therefore, let everyone who is godly pray to Thee in a time when Thou mayest be found;

C: surely in a flood of great waters they shall not reach him.

L: Thou art my hiding place; Thou dost preserve me from trouble;

C: Thou dost surround me with songs of deliverance.

Second Lesson: Romans 5:12-19

When Adam sinned, sin entered the world. Adam’s sin brought death, so death spread to everyone, for everyone sinned. Yes, people sinned even before the law was given. But it was not counted as sin because there was not yet any law to break.

Still, everyone died—from the time of Adam to the time of Moses—even those who did not disobey an explicit command-

ment of God, as Adam did. Now Adam is a symbol, a representation of Christ, who was yet to come. But there is a great difference between Adam’s sin and God’s gracious gift. For the sin of this one man, Adam, brought death to many. But even greater is God’s wonderful grace and His gift of forgiveness to many through this other man, Jesus Christ.

And the result of God’s gracious gift is very different from the result of that one man’s sin. For Adam’s sin led to condemnation, but God’s free gift leads to our being made right with God, even though we are guilty of many sins. For the sin of this one man, Adam, caused death to rule over many. But even greater is God’s wonderful grace and His gift of righteousness, for all who receive it will live in triumph over sin and death through this one man, Jesus Christ.

Yes, Adam’s one sin brings condemnation for everyone, but Christ’s one act of righteousness brings a right relationship with God and new life for everyone. Because one person disobeyed God, many became sinners. But because one other person obeyed God, many will be made righteous.

Here ends the reading.

The Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

Response: *Praise to You, O Christ*.....page 83

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. And after He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He then became hungry.

And the tempter came and said to Him, “If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread.”

But He answered and said, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God.’”

Then the devil took Him into the holy city; and he had Him stand on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to Him, “If You are the Son of God throw Yourself down; for it is written, ‘He will give His angels charge concerning You; and on their hands they will bear You up, lest You strike Your foot against a stone.’”

Jesus said to him, “On the other hand, it is written, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

Again, the devil took Him to a very high mountain, and showed