



SPARK

Week 4- A Very Sad Day

FOCUS: "Adam & Eve disobey; sin enters our world"

"Let us make humankind in our image..."

~ Genesis 1:26-31 NRSV translation

After this time together your child will be able to do (one or all depending on their age):

- Understand that God gave us One rule: Do not eat from the tree in the middle of the garden.
- Know that Adam and Eve listened to the voice of Satan instead of the word of God. As a consequence they had to leave the garden.
- Understand that God promised that one day someone would come and crush Satan's power over people.

Adult Pre-work (10 min)

- Watch Lesson 4 preparation video at saint-max.org/spark
- Watch [God's Story: The Fall](#)
- Join our private [Facebook group](#)



PRAY

Opening Prayer

+ (Sign of the Cross) Loving and powerful God, thank you for creating & loving us even when we do not listen to you. Help us to listen to obey you today. Amen. +

Be sure to have your Bible with you!

Notice that we have been practicing building our prayers using the ACTS formula. (See ACTS Prayer sheet in your packet). This prayer 'formula' might be easier to explain using the S'mores Prayer card found in your packet. This week we will add in the confession part.

SHARE

This time is envisioned with you and your child spending some time together getting to know each other. We understand that you have been spending LOTS of time together in the last six months but this is different. These conversations are meant to help you connect on a deeper level. The goal is that you will become comfortable sharing your story with your child and they will trust you with their thoughts, feelings and questions. These seemingly frivolous conversations are setting the groundwork for the deeper conversations to come as you child grows up. This can be done sitting side by side, walking together or at the kitchen table. The places are endless. You pick the best timing and location for your family.



Family Connection

- Share with your child a story of a time you did not obey. Think back to your childhood!

Before beginning this week's lesson, remind children of what we learned last week about God creating the world for his favorite creation - people! He created them to love, by love and for love! An easy way to remember this is : 2 by 4!

LEARN

Bible Basics

Read the story of Adam & Eve from **your** Bible or in the Beginner's Bible Pamphlet. Found only in The Storybook for older students.

Share these facts with your child. **NOTE:** We will talk about God's plan to save us.

- Adam and Eve were very happy in the garden. They took walks with God.
- God gave them one rule: Do not eat the fruit from the tree in the middle of the garden.
- Adam and Eve were tempted by Satan, the serpent to eat the fruit. They doubted God's love for them. They **choose** to listen to the voice of the serpent & NOT trust God's word.
- As a consequence, God made them leave the garden. But He did promise to send someone to crush the serpent one day and save us from Satan's power.

Wondering Questions: I wonder why Adam and Eve listened to the serpent? I wonder what God was thinking/feeling when He called for Adam and Eve and they were hiding? I wonder what this Bible story is about? I wonder what God is teaching us through this story?

If you or your child needs to Dig Deeper:

Adam and Eve Sin video (4 min)

Appropriate for all ages and another telling that is worth watching!



LIVE YOUR FAITH

This week as a family

1. Talk about choices - good ones and bad ones. What are the some examples from your daily lives?
2. Encourage your child to use the Adam & Eve paper figures (in your packet) to retell the story. We will be practicing this skill often. It will help as they learn to write their own stories! (Beginning, middle, end)
3. Work on your Adam & Eve timeline.
4. **Draw a picture or write a sentence or two about a good choice you made on your Homework Template or share a video of your child retelling the story on our private Facebook Group.**

PRAY

Forgiving God, I'm sorry for _____. Please forgive me. I promise to try and do better. Thank you God for loving me even when I mess up. I know you will always love me. Amen + (Sign of the Cross)

Want to Dig Deeper?

YouCat for Kids

Forces of Evil by Catholic Central (8 min video)

(Appropriate for Jr High and older; I encourage adults to watch this.)



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