

Sermon Notes
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How to walk with the hurting

Welcome to Discovery Community Church

In this season of new beginnings, we are beginning a journey through the first book in the Bible: Genesis

We will see in the first few chapters of this amazing book, we are introduced to both the biblical worldview of the beginning of everything and also the beginning of a life well-lived.

Genesis 3:14-24 New International Version (NIV)

14 So the Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this,

"Cursed are you above all livestock

and all wild animals!

You will crawl on your belly

and you will eat dust

all the days of your life.

15

And I will put enmity

between you and the woman,

and between your offspring^[a] and hers;

he will crush^[b] your head,
and you will strike his heel.”

16 To the woman he said,

“I will make your pains in childbearing very severe;
with painful labor you will give birth to children.

Your desire will be for your husband,
and he will rule over you.”

17 To Adam he said, “Because you listened to your wife and ate fruit from the tree about which I commanded you, ‘You must not eat from it,’

“Cursed is the ground because of you;
through painful toil you will eat food from it
all the days of your life.

18

It will produce thorns and thistles for you,
and you will eat the plants of the field.

19

By the sweat of your brow
you will eat your food
until you return to the ground,
since from it you were taken;

for dust you are

and to dust you will return.”

20 Adam^[c] named his wife Eve,^[d] because she would become the mother of all the living.

21 The Lord God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them. 22 And the Lord God said, “The man has now become like one of us, knowing good and evil. He must not be allowed to reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life and eat, and live forever.” 23 So the Lord God banished him from the Garden of Eden to work the ground from which he had been taken. 24 After he drove the man out, he placed on the east side^[e] of the Garden of Eden cherubim and a flaming sword flashing back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life.

1. Name the burden & the blessing

- Your relationship with sin will be a struggle (Gen 3:15)
- Your relationships with each other will be more complicated. (Gen 3:16)
- You will have to work harder, experience pain and life will not be as easy (Gen 3:17-19)

But...

John 10:10 (NIV) The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

Genesis 3:20 Adam^[c] named his wife Eve,^[d] because she would become the mother of all the living.

Eve: “mother of all the living/Life”

How can you rename the hurting person in your life?

2. Clothe the pain

Genesis 3:21 The Lord God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them.

Find practical ways to help

2 Corinthians 1:3-5 (NIV) Praise be to... the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.

3. Set boundaries

Genesis 3:24 After he drove the man out, he placed on the east side[e] of the Garden of Eden cherubim and a flaming sword flashing back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life.

Deuteronomy 31:8 "The LORD himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."

AFTER THE LIVESTREAM

Pray -

Jesus, I know that I have been separate from you my entire life. I have tried to pretend otherwise, but I realize today that my decisions, choices...my sin has separated me from God. I believe you are the Son of God and my only way forward. Please save me as I surrender the rest of my life into your hands. Thank you that you hear me!

Let us know!

We want to be on this journey with you and help in any way we can. Fill out a connect card - or even text it to the prayer line!

Start reading!

We think the Gospel of John is a great place to start. Consider using the app:
Youversion.

Celebrate!

Follow along with some of the worship provided on discochurch.com/live
And share what God is doing in you!
