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## LESSON ONE

### How Did Evil Come into the World?

THIS LESSON INCORPORATES The following located in the Appendix:  
Observation Worksheets of Genesis 1–3  
“Genesis 1–11 at a Glance”  
Map  
Cross-references

**If God created the world and God is good, then how did evil come into this world? It’s a legitimate question raised by man—and not left unanswered in the Word of God.**

**It’s where we’ll begin our study of Genesis chapters 3–11.**

## DAY ONE

Before we dig into Genesis 3, we want to make sure you study this critical chapter in its context—in the setting of the first two chapters of Genesis. Since some of you are new to Genesis while others have studied chapters 1 and 2 in depth in Part 1, you’ll find two sets of instructions for today’s study. The first set, *New Students*, is for those who did not study Genesis Part 1. The second set is a great review for those who completed Part 1—*Returning Students*. So find your category and begin.

### NEW STUDENTS

1. You’ll need the Observation Worksheets of Genesis 1–2, located in the Appendix. We call them Observation Worksheets because they have the text of Genesis 1–11 printed double-spaced with wide margins to use as worksheets as you observe the text.

When you observe the text, you’re encouraged to mark words and phrases in distinctive ways using colors and/or symbols. It’s a skill that helps you identify and remember what you’ve read. To aid you in this, you’ll find some suggestions on the back cover of your Precept Upon Precept workbook.

However, just remember these are suggestions. Feel free to do your own thing when it comes to marking the text.

The Bible teaches us that spiritual truth is spiritually discerned, so as you begin, why don't you ask the Author for His help in studying His Word.

2. Read Genesis 1 and
  - a. mark each mention of *God* with a specific color and/or symbol that you'll reserve for God. See the back cover of this book for a suggestion.
  - b. underline the key repeated phrase, "And there was evening and there was morning, \_\_\_\_\_ day" and put a green circle over every occurrence of *day*.
3. Now, let's see what we can learn from the text by asking the 5Ws and an H: who, what, when, where, why, and how.
  - a. Who is the main character of Genesis 1? What is His role?
  - b. Who else is mentioned in this chapter—any other persons?
  - c. What is Genesis 1 about? Answer in as few words as possible; in fact, one will do!
  - d. When does the chapter open? What's the timing?
  - e. According to the text, when does all this take place? Or to put it another way, what period of time is covered in this chapter?
  - f. How does creation come about?





Day Three?

Day Four?

Day Five?

Day Six?

- c. If someone who was not at all familiar with the Bible asked you, “What is Genesis 1 all about?” how would you answer? (You are actually giving them the theme of Genesis 1.)
  
- d. What did you learn about God from Genesis 1?

- 2. From your study of Genesis 2
  - a. Who are the subjects of Genesis 2?



- g. How would you summarize the theme of Genesis 2? On the “Genesis 1–11 at a Glance” chart in the Appendix, fill in the themes for Genesis chapters 1 and 2.

DAY  
TWO  
AND  
DAY  
THREE

Now that you’ve put yourself into context, you are ready for Genesis 3. Please note that we have allotted two days for this assignment, so when you need to, give yourself a break—but don’t stop thinking about what you’ve observed—meditate on it, mull it over and over in your mind.

1. Let’s observe Genesis 3. Mark the following words/phrases in a way that distinguishes them from one another. Be sure to mark their pronouns and/or synonyms in the same distinctive way.
  - a. *God\**
  - b. *Adam*
  - c. *Eve*
  - d. *the tree of the knowledge of good and evil*
  - e. *the tree of life*
  - f. *the serpent\**
  - g. *die\**
  - h. *cursed\**

\* See the back cover of your book for suggestions on how to mark these.

2. Now go through Genesis 2–3. Look at every place you marked *the tree of the knowledge of good and evil*. List here or in the right-hand column of your Observation Worksheet all you learn about the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.



5. What happened as a result of Adam and Eve eating the fruit of the tree forbidden by God? For clarity, it might help to fill out the chart below:

To Adam and Eve Collectively	To Eve	To Adam

6. How would you describe what Eve and then Adam did if you were explaining it to another person?
7. The word “cursed” is used two times in Genesis 3. Who/what is specifically cursed?
8. Look up the following scriptures and write them out so you have them before you as you answer a. and b.

Romans 5:12



We'll leave you a little space in which to jot down any thoughts you might have and want to remember.

*During the past two days, we have taken you through a process of observing the text using an Observation Worksheet. If you are new to Precept studies, you may wish to read more about the process of completing an Observation Worksheet in “Focusing in on the Details” in How to Study Your Bible.*

DAY  
FOUR  
AND  
DAY  
FIVE

1. Read Genesis 3 and carefully observe what you learn from marking references to the *serpent*. Categorize and record your observations, seeing what answers you can discover to those investigative questions: who, what, when, where, why, and how.

Record your observations on the chart at the end of this lesson, “A Profile of the Serpent Introduced in Genesis 3.” At this point in your study, you won’t find something to fit every heading on the chart. This will come later as you use the same chart to record additional information from other parts of the Bible.

2. Since the Bible is a progressive revelation where our understanding is built precept upon precept, and since the best interpreter of Scripture is Scripture, let’s do some exploring in the Word to see what we can learn about this crafty beast of the field. At the end of this lesson, you’ll find Observation Worksheets of some “Serpent Scriptures” to use for parts a. and b. that follow.

- a. Read Revelation 20:1-10, found at the end of this lesson. Mark every reference to the *serpent* as you did in Genesis 3, including synonyms and pronouns.

Now record what you learned about the serpent on the chart “A Profile of the Serpent Introduced in Genesis 3” at the end of this lesson. When you put the information under the column it is most suited for, record the book, chapter, and verses from which you obtained your information.

- b. Read Revelation 12:1-17, also found in the “Serpent Scriptures.” If this passage is new to you, please don’t come to a stalemate in your studies by





*You have had a full week, Beloved, and we trust you have learned much. We've looked at the tempter and gained valuable insights into his crafty ways; next week we'll take a closer look at temptation. Wow! You are going to gain some valuable insights that should help you resist whatever comes your way that is against the Word of God.*

*Thank you so much for disciplining yourself in order to get to know your God. What you are doing demonstrates the value you place on knowing Him and serving Him.*

A PROFILE OF THE SERPENT INTRODUCED IN GENESIS 3

What He Is	What He Is Called	His Approach and/or Tactics	The Consequences of His Actions	His Ultimate Destiny

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## SERPENT SCRIPTURES

### REVELATION 20:1-10

- 1 Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand.
- 2 And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years;
- 3 and he threw him into the abyss, and shut *it* and sealed *it* over him, so that he would not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were completed; after these things he must be released for a short time.
- 4 Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. And I *saw* the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand; and they came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.
- 5 The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were completed. This is the first resurrection.
- 6 Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection; over these the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.
- 7 When the thousand years are completed, Satan will be released from his prison,
- 8 and will come out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together for the war; the number of them is like the sand of the seashore.
- 9 And they came up on the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, and fire came down from heaven and devoured them.
- 10 And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

**REVELATION 12:1-17**

- 1 A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars;
- 2 and she was with child; and she cried out, being in labor and in pain to give birth.
- 3 Then another sign appeared in heaven: and behold, a great red dragon having seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads *were* seven diadems.
- 4 And his tail swept away a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she gave birth he might devour her child.
- 5 And she gave birth to a son, a male *child*, who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron; and her child was caught up to God and to His throne.
- 6 Then the woman fled into the wilderness where she had a place prepared by God, so that there she would be nourished for one thousand two hundred and sixty days.
- 7 And there was war in heaven, Michael and his angels waging war with the dragon. The dragon and his angels waged war,
- 8 and they were not strong enough, and there was no longer a place found for them in heaven.
- 9 And the great dragon was thrown down, the serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.
- 10 Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, “Now the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, he who accuses them before our God day and night.
- 11 “And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they did not love their life even when faced with death.
- 12 “For this reason, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them. Woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, knowing that he has *only* a short time.”
- 13 And when the dragon saw that he was thrown down to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male *child*.

- 14 But the two wings of the great eagle were given to the woman, so that she could fly into the wilderness to her place, where she was nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.
- 15 And the serpent poured water like a river out of his mouth after the woman, so that he might cause her to be swept away with the flood.
- 16 But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and drank up the river which the dragon poured out of his mouth.
- 17 So the dragon was enraged with the woman, and went off to make war with the rest of her children, who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus.

**EZEKIEL 28:11-19**

- 11 Again the word of the LORD came to me saying,
- 12 “Son of man, take up a lamentation over the king of Tyre and say to him, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD,  
     “You had the seal of perfection,  
     Full of wisdom and perfect in beauty.
- 13 “You were in Eden, the garden of God;  
     Every precious stone was your covering:  
     The ruby, the topaz and the diamond;  
     The beryl, the onyx and the jasper;  
     The lapis lazuli, the turquoise and the emerald;  
     And the gold, the workmanship of your settings and sockets,  
     Was in you.  
     On the day that you were created  
     They were prepared.
- 14 “You were the anointed cherub who covers,  
     And I placed you *there*.  
     You were on the holy mountain of God;  
     You walked in the midst of the stones of fire.
- 15 “You were blameless in your ways  
     From the day you were created  
     Until unrighteousness was found in you.

- 16 “By the abundance of your trade  
You were internally filled with violence,  
And you sinned;  
Therefore I have cast you as profane  
From the mountain of God.  
And I have destroyed you, O covering cherub,  
From the midst of the stones of fire.
- 17 “Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty;  
You corrupted your wisdom by reason of your splendor.  
I cast you to the ground;  
I put you before kings,  
That they may see you.
- 18 “By the multitude of your iniquities,  
In the unrighteousness of your trade  
You profaned your sanctuaries.  
Therefore I have brought fire from the midst of you;  
It has consumed you,  
And I have turned you to ashes on the earth  
In the eyes of all who see you.
- 19 “All who know you among the peoples  
Are appalled at you;  
You have become terrified  
And you will cease to be forever.”””

# GENESIS 1

## Observation Worksheet

Chapter Theme \_\_\_\_\_

**I**N the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

- 2 The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters.
- 3 Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light.
- 4 God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness.
- 5 God called the light day, and the darkness He called night. And there was evening and there was morning, one day.
- 6 Then God said, “Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.”
- 7 God made the expanse, and separated the waters which were below the expanse from the waters which were above the expanse; and it was so.
- 8 God called the expanse heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, a second day.
- 9 Then God said, “Let the waters below the heavens be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appear”; and it was so.
- 10 God called the dry land earth, and the gathering of the waters He called seas; and God saw that it was good.

- 11 Then God said, “Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, *and* fruit trees on the earth bearing fruit after their kind with seed in them”; and it was so.
- 12 The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed after their kind, and trees bearing fruit with seed in them, after their kind; and God saw that it was good.
- 13 There was evening and there was morning, a third day.
- 14 Then God said, “Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years;
- 15 and let them be for lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth”; and it was so.
- 16 God made the two great lights, the greater light to govern the day, and the lesser light to govern the night; *He made* the stars also.
- 17 God placed them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth,
- 18 and to govern the day and the night, and to separate the light from the darkness; and God saw that it was good.
- 19 There was evening and there was morning, a fourth day.
- 20 Then God said, “Let the waters teem with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth in the open expanse of the heavens.”

- 21 God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarmed after their kind, and every winged bird after its kind; and God saw that it was good.
- 22 God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.”
- 23 There was evening and there was morning, a fifth day.
- 24 Then God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures after their kind: cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth after their kind”; and it was so.
- 25 God made the beasts of the earth after their kind, and the cattle after their kind, and everything that creeps on the ground after its kind; and God saw that it was good.
- 26 Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”
- 27 God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.
- 28 God blessed them; and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over

the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

29 Then God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the surface of all the earth, and every tree which has fruit yielding seed; it shall be food for you;

30 and to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the sky and to every thing that moves on the earth which has life, *I have given* every green plant for food”; and it was so.

31 God saw all that He had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

## GENESIS 2

### Observation Worksheet

Chapter Theme \_\_\_\_\_

**THUS** the heavens and the earth were completed, and all their hosts.

- 2 By the seventh day God completed His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done.
- 3 Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.
- 4 This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made earth and heaven.
- 5 Now no shrub of the field was yet in the earth, and no plant of the field had yet sprouted, for the LORD God had not sent rain upon the earth, and there was no man to cultivate the ground.
- 6 But a mist used to rise from the earth and water the whole surface of the ground.
- 7 Then the LORD God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.
- 8 The LORD God planted a garden toward the east, in Eden; and there He placed the man whom He had formed.
- 9 Out of the ground the LORD God caused to grow every tree that is pleasing to the sight and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

- 10 Now a river flowed out of Eden to water the garden; and from there it divided and became four rivers.
- 11 The name of the first is Pishon; it flows around the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold.
- 12 The gold of that land is good; the bdellium and the onyx stone are there.
- 13 The name of the second river is Gihon; it flows around the whole land of Cush.
- 14 The name of the third river is Tigris; it flows east of Assyria. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.
- 15 Then the LORD God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to cultivate it and keep it.
- 16 The LORD God commanded the man, saying, “From any tree of the garden you may eat freely;
- 17 but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you will surely die.”
- 18 Then the LORD God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone; I will make him a helper suitable for him.”
- 19 Out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the sky, and brought *them* to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called a living creature, that was its name.
- 20 The man gave names to all the cattle, and to the birds of the sky, and to every beast of the field, but for Adam there was not found a helper suitable for him.

- 21 So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then He took one of his ribs and closed up the flesh at that place.
- 22 The LORD God fashioned into a woman the rib which He had taken from the man, and brought her to the man.
- 23 The man said,  
    “This is now bone of my bones,  
    And flesh of my flesh;  
    She shall be called Woman,  
    Because she was taken out of Man.”
- 24 For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother, and be joined to his wife; and they shall become one flesh.
- 25 And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.



## GENESIS 3

### Observation Worksheet

Chapter Theme \_\_\_\_\_

- 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?’”
- 2 The woman said to the serpent, “From the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat;
  - 3 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, or you will die.’ ”
  - 4 The serpent said to the woman, “You surely will not die!
  - 5 “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.”
  - 6 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.
  - 7 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.
  - 8 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.

- 9 Then the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, “Where are you?”
- 10 He said, “I heard the sound of You in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid myself.”
- 11 And He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?”
- 12 The man said, “The woman whom You gave *to be* with me, she gave me from the tree, and I ate.”
- 13 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.”
- 14 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 you will go,  
And dust you will eat  
All the days of your life;
- 15 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.”

- 16 To the woman He said,  
     “I will greatly multiply  
     Your pain in childbirth,  
     In pain you will bring forth children;  
     Yet your desire will be for your husband,  
     And he will rule over you.”
- 17 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 will eat of it  
     All the days of your life.  
 18 “Both thorns and thistles it shall grow for you;  
     And you will eat the plants of the field;  
 19 By the sweat of your face  
     You will eat bread,  
     Till you return to the ground,  
     Because from it you were taken;  
     For you are dust,  
     And to dust you shall return.”
- 20 Now the man called his wife’s name Eve, because she was the mother  
 of all *the* living.
- 21 The LORD God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife, and  
 clothed them.

- 22 Then the LORD God said, “Behold, the man has become like one of Us, knowing good and evil; and now, he might stretch out his hand, and take also from the tree of life, and eat, and live forever”—
- 23 therefore the LORD God sent him out from the garden of Eden, to cultivate the ground from which he was taken.
- 24 So He drove the man out; and at the east of the garden of Eden He stationed the cherubim and the flaming sword which turned every direction to guard the way to the tree of life.

GENESIS 1–11 AT A GLANCE

	Segment Divisions	Chapter Themes
<b>Author:</b>		1
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# THE GARDEN OF EDEN

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