

Identity Crisis (Part 5): A New Identity - Genesis 3:1-24

- 1. Sin is deceptive and distorts our identity. In what ways do we see the enemy using similar tactics today to question God's truth and lead people into sin? How can we guard against deception?
- 2. Adam and Eve hid from God after they sinned. How do we sometimes hide from God when we've messed up? What would it look like to respond to sin with repentance instead of shame?
- 3. Blame-shifting was one of the first reactions to sin. How do we see this playing out in our own lives and in society today? How can we take personal responsibility for our actions instead of excusing or justifying sin?
- 4. Genesis 3:15 contains the first promise of redemption. How does this foreshadow Jesus' victory over sin and Satan? How does knowing that God had a plan for salvation from the beginning give us hope?
- 5. God provided garments of skin for Adam and Eve. How does this act symbolize Christ's atonement for our sins? What does it reveal about God's character in response to our failures?
- 6. Many people struggle with false identities—believing lies about themselves instead of God's truth. Which of the lies vs. truth statements resonated most with you? How can we actively replace lies with God's truth in our daily lives?
- 7. 2 Corinthians 5:17 says we are a "new creation" in Christ. What does this practically mean for your life? How does embracing a new identity in Christ free us from shame, guilt, and past failures?

