— Genesis 3.1 — Genesis Series 11 **The Temptation Pt 1: Adam & Jesus**

Gen 3 ¹Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, "Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden'?"

* Apart from the events surrounding crucifixion and

resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ, the events of Gen 3 are

the most ______ of history.

Heb 5⁸ though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered. ⁹ And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him,

Mat 3 ¹⁶ When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. ¹⁷ And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." ^{4.1} Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

* **It's very** important that we look not only at Adam & Eve, but also at Jesus, whom the NT calls the "_____ Adam" Heb 12 ¹ Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ² looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

2) _____ & temptations go together in God's

providence.

* Without Jesus, all we can see in Gen 2 & 3 is what?

James 1 ² Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, ³ for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. ⁴ And let steadfastness have it full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing ... ¹² Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. ¹³ Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴ But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. ¹⁵ Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death. [ESV]

* When we chart the biblical line between Adam & Christ, with Israel in between, what three major things can we see?

1) It's all about becoming what we are supposed to be as

God's _____.

Heb 2¹⁰ For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings

Job 1 ⁸ Then the LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered My servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, one who fears God and shuns evil?" ⁹ So Satan answered the LORD and said, "Does Job fear God for nothing? ¹⁰ Have You not made a hedge around him, around his household, and around all that he has on every side? … ¹¹ But now, stretch out Your hand and touch all that he has, and he will surely curse You to Your face!" ¹² And the LORD said to Satan, "Behold, all that he has is in your power; only do not lay a hand on his person."

Ruling in god's name requires _____

in God's name, and both require wisdom & maturity.

Jn 4 $^{\rm 32}$ "I have food to eat of which you do not know ... $^{\rm 34}$ My food is to do he will of Him who sent Me"

Gen 1²⁸ Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

1Cor 6 ²Do you not know that the saints will judge the world? ... ³Do you not know that we shall judge angels?

2Sam 14 ¹⁷ "[A]s the angel [messenger] of God, so is my lord the king in discerning good and evil."

Heb 5 ⁵So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; ⁶ as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek" ⁷ In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸ Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹ And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, ¹⁰ being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

1Kings 3⁷ "You have made Your servant king ... but I am a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in ... ⁹ Therefore give to Your servant an understanding heart to judge Your people, that I may discern between good and evil. For who is able to judge this great people of Yours?"

1Kings 3²⁸ And all Israel heard of the judgment which the king had rendered; and they feared the king, for they saw that the wisdom of God was in him to administer justice.

Heb 5¹⁴ [T]he mature [are] those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to discern good and evil.

Gn 3 $^{\rm 22}$ "Behold, the man has become like one of Us, to know good and evil"

Mt 4 $^{\rm 4}$ "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God"

* So it is for you, Christian, and whoever hears:

is given to you up front and free.

Isaiah 55¹ "Ho! Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; And you who have no money, come, buy and eat. Yes, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ² Why do you spend money for what is not bread, and your wages for what does not satisfy? Listen carefully to Me, and eat what is good, and let your soul delight itself in abundance. ³ Incline your ear, and come to Me. Hear, and your soul shall live

But you are also called to ______ like Jesus himself.

Prov 3 ⁵ "Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths."

Jn 5³⁰ "As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is righteous, because I do not seek My own will but the will of My Father who sent Me."