

## Eve: The Mother of Us All Genesis 2-4

### INTRODUCTION

Today is **Mother's Day...a special day for special people**. Next to Christmas, Mother's Day has no rival. It's been **116** years since Mother's Day was first celebrated on **May 10, 1908**. It's appropriate that we honor moms for they are part of an important God-ordained institution called **the family**. We need to recognize that families are part of God's plan. God instituted the family; it is the vehicle through which spiritual truth is passed from one generation to another. It is the vehicle through which our values, beliefs and customs are passed from one generation to another. No wonder Satan desires to destroy the family. Moms are essential to a successful family.

For this morning, we will study again the very first mother we find in the Bible, and in fact, in all of history – **Eve**. How would you like to have been the first mother? What would it have been like to be the mother of all mothers? **What can we learn from her?**

Here's a truth for us to **consider**: ***When we view Eve through the lens of Scripture, we are reminded of God's divine design for individuals, marriage, and family and of His provision of redemption and restoration when it all goes wrong.***

I. As the first \_\_\_\_\_, Eve is a product of divine \_\_\_\_\_

II. As the first \_\_\_\_\_, Eve is purposely \_\_\_\_\_ to be a \_\_\_\_\_ (Genesis 2:24-25)

III. As the first woman, Eve is a woman without \_\_\_\_\_  
and yet she becomes the world's first \_\_\_\_\_

(Gen 3:1-6)

You and I are born selfish. We start life with a strong deadly bent toward sin. Man's condition is that he is a partaker of a sinful nature from the moment of his birth (and conception). **Our nature is egocentric or self-centered.** We are born desiring our own way, rather than God's will.

Eve was pure and innocent in the Garden of Eden. There were no hidden surprises for Adam and Eve. God did not suddenly change the rules on them. There were no hidden agendas. God strictly told them this **"tree"** was off limits. It is His garden!

**But...here comes the first temptation.** Temptation in itself is not sin. Satan made it look so beautiful to defy God's Word. He lied and is still telling the same lie even to this day. He makes his temptations so inviting with the fun, thrills, and excitement as if God wants to cheat you out of the best in life. **The process is always the same. Satan tries to tell every woman here that God is cheating you out of the best life has to offer.**

**Satan led her to doubt God's Word.** Her husband didn't help. He didn't refute the false assumptions and hypothesis that Satan offered. If it makes you feel good do it! They didn't stop to ask what is the worst thing that could happen if we disobey. Yes, **Eve you are free to choose, but you are not free to choose the consequences of your actions?**

**When Adam saw it was safe he joined in the fun and ate it up, too.** Adam, as the representative of the human race, led his whole family down the long slide of sin and depravity. In Adam we all sin. He is the head of our family until we are adopted into God's family by faith in Christ.

IV. As a \_\_\_\_\_, Eve is the first \_\_\_\_\_ mother  
(Gen 4:1-8, 25)

The trail of sorrow and anguish always follows sin. Cain, her firstborn became angry and killed Eve's other son Abel. **Eve has the dishonor of being the mother of the first murderer.**

Eve could identify with the pain and hurt that some of you are experiencing this Mother's Day. I am sure she felt guilt when she looked at the consequences of her actions and behavior. She could say no one knows the grief I have suffered because of the loss of my two sons. She knew the embarrassment and damage beyond repair of having a son become the first murderer in history. She knew the grief of losing both sons—one to death and the other to estrangement.

V. Eve is the first \_\_\_\_\_ to hear the wonderful  
promise of a \_\_\_\_\_ (Genesis 3:15)

God announces the provision of Savior for a sinning race. Genesis 3:15 is the first shining light on the horizon of eternal life. This is the earliest prophesy we have of Christ in the Old Testament. It is an amazing testimony to God's grace. No sooner had mankind sinned than God promised to send a Savior.

