"God, Adam, Eve-Questions" Gen. 3:9-13

Introduction

- I. The fall of man is a topic that needs to be examined and discussed periodically.
- II. The way that God handled Adam and Eve shows us the great wisdom of God.
- III. God used questions to allow Adam and Eve to take responsibility and to recognize the seriousness of what they had done.

Discussion

- I. Question 1- "Where art thou?" (Gen. 3:9).
 - A. God did not need Adam to reveal his location.
 - B. God wanted Adam to recognize from whence he had fallen.
 - C. Where are we in our relationship with God?
 - 1. Am I a Christian (2 Cor. 5:17; Rom. 8:1)?
 - 2. Am I a faithful child of God (Rev. 2:10; Heb. 3:12-4:11)?
- II. Question 2- "Who told thee that thou wast naked?" (Gen. 3:11.
 - A. Up until they sinned, nakedness did not bother Adam and Eve (Gen. 2:25).
 - B. As a result of sin, we are now aware of evil and all the baggage that it carries (Psm. 5:4; cf. Gen. 6:5-7).
 - C. To whom had Adam and Eve been listening (Gen. 3:1, 4-5)?
- III. Question 3- "Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?"
 - A. God did not need Adam to have the answer to this question.
 - B. This gives Adam the opportunity to accept responsibility for his disobedience.
 - C. It is sometimes difficult to get people to see the consequences of their actions (2 Cor. 13:5; Ezek. 18:27-28; 1 John 1:6-10).
 - D. Blaming others will not work with God (Gen. 3:12ff.)
 - E. After we sin, we should have "godly sorrow" that leads to repentance (2 Cor. 7:10).
- IV. Question 4- "What is this that thou hast done?" (Gen. 3:13).
 - A. Choosing to disobey God comes with consequences (drug addicts, drunk drivers, unfaithful spouses).
 - B. Separation from God is a result of sin (Isa. 59:1-2; Gen. 3:24-25; Matt. 7:21-23).

Conclusion

- I. Through asking questions, it helps a person to understand the seriousness of what he has done.
- II. All of us need to remember that disobedience to God brings nothing good.