



A DAY WITH THE
KING



Deceived by
the Serpent

DAILY DEVOTIONAL 67



SUNDAY

LET'S PRAY Dear God, thank you for creating me in Your image. Please help me to be like You today. In Jesus' name, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - PSALM 119:93

“I will never forget Your precepts, for by them You have given me life.”

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

Genesis 1:26-28; John 4:24; Nehemiah 9:6;
Psalm 104:1,2

KEY TEXT: Genesis 2:7

“And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.”

LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

The Bible says that Adam and Eve, our first parents, were made “in God’s image”. What does that mean? God is a Spirit, but the Bible talks about God’s face, eyes, ears and hands, so we know He is a Person. Part of being in God’s image is that we also have hands, feet, ears, etc., like God has.

God gave Adam and Eve “dominion” over the other things He had made on earth. That is another way we are made in God’s image. God cares for everything in the universe. He wants us to care for everything in this world.

Another way Adam and Eve were created in God’s image is that they had a perfect, pure and unselfish character, just like His. It was controlled by love and they only did what was good.

God formed Adam from dust, but Adam was lifeless until God breathed into him. Then, the Bible says, Adam “became a living soul”. The “soul” was not a separate, floating spirit that entered Adam when he came to life. Adam and Eve were made from dust, and came to life by God’s power.

IN GOD’S IMAGE

Look up the Bible verses below. Match each verse to the part of God it names.

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| Exodus 24:10 ● | ● Face |
| Exodus 33:20 ● | ● Eyes |
| Exodus 33:22 ● | ● Back |
| Psalms 33:18 ● | ● Ears |
| Daniel 9:18 ● | ● Hands |
| Exodus 33:23 ● | ● Feet |

Can you find any other Bible verses that describe what God looks like? Write to us and tell us!





MONDAY

LET'S PRAY Dear God, please help me to know what is right and wrong. Please help me to do what is right. In Jesus' name, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - PSALM 119:93

“I will _____ forget Your precepts, for by them You have given me life.”

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

Genesis 3:6; 1 John 3:4; Romans 7:7;
Ecclesiastes 12:13

KEY TEXT: 1 John 5:3

“For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments.”

LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

Adam and Eve disobeyed God when they ate the fruit from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. Another word for what they did is “transgress”. Adam and Eve *transgressed* God’s law, by coveting and stealing what belonged to God. The Bible calls this iniquity, or “sin” (1 John 3:4). Which of the ten commandments did they break? (see Exodus 20:2-17)

The Bible and the things God has made teach us about God’s law. They help us to know the difference between right and wrong. Ecclesiastes 12:13 tells us that all the things God asks us to do are found in His law, or commandments. God can help us to keep His law. When we are filled with God’s love, we will choose not to sin.

SPOT THE SIN

Unscramble the clue words about sin and how to know what it is. Then unscramble the letters in the circles to form one more word that describes sin. Check your answer to the mystery word in 1 John 3:4.

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TUESDAY

LET'S PRAY Dear God, thank You for Your law. Please help me to do what it says. In Jesus' name, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - PSALM 119:93

"I will _____ forget Your precepts, for by them You have given me _____."

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

James 1:22-25

KEY TEXT: James 4:17

"Therefore, to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin."

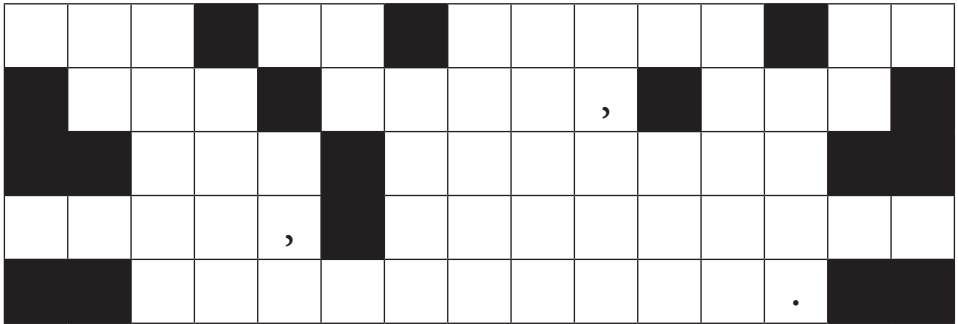
LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

Satan, our enemy, is always trying to trap us into sin, like he did with Adam and Eve. So it's very important that we know what sin is. Then we can ask for God's help so that we won't be trapped by Satan. God's law, which is a copy of His changeless character, shows us what is right. Anything that goes against God's law is sin. The law is like a mirror, because it reveals sin to us. Sin is not just actions. It can also be words, or even thoughts.

When we do something God has told us **not** to, like Adam and Eve did, that is sin. James 4:17 tells us that it is also sin if we know we **ought** to do something, but **don't** do it. For example, the fifth commandment tells us to obey our parents. If we **don't** obey our parents, that is sin, because God has told us that we are to obey them.

DOERS OF THE WORD

These letters have all fallen out of the puzzle, beneath the squares where they belong. Can you put them back in the right place to discover an important message about keeping God's law? Check your answer in James 1:22.



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WEDNESDAY

LET'S PRAY Dear God, thank You that You want me to be happy.
Please help me to obey You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - PSALM 119:93

"I will _____ Your precepts,
for by them You have given me _____."

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

Genesis 3:1,5,6,8.

KEY TEXT: Psalm 16:11

"You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy; At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore."

LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

Satan, disguised as a serpent, told Eve that, by disobeying God, she would learn wonderful new things. It seemed to Eve that the serpent's words were true because, otherwise, how could it talk? What Satan the serpent, didn't say was that he had been shut out of heaven because of his disobedience. He didn't tell Eve that he was God's enemy.

Why did God tell Adam and Eve not to eat from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil? By asking Eve if God had said that they couldn't eat from ALL the trees, Satan was really saying that God didn't want her to be happy, that God was keeping something really special back from her and couldn't be trusted.

But when Eve, then Adam, sinned, they realised that Satan had lied. Adam and Eve began to feel guilty and fearful and ran away from God. Those are some of the consequences of sin. Sin separates us from God. All true happiness comes from God. When we are separated from Him, we feel sad and empty deep inside.

IS SIN FUN?

Read the Bible verses below. Match each verse to the result of sin it talks about.

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| Genesis 3:16 ● | ● Thistles |
| Genesis 3:18 ● | ● Death |
| Genesis 3:18 ● | ● Hate |
| Genesis 37:4 ● | ● Thorns |
| Romans 5:12 ● | ● Sorrow |

The things above are some of the *results* of Adam and Eve's disobedience. Are they fun? **Yes** **No**

Who told the truth: God, or Satan the serpent? _____





THURSDAY

LET'S PRAY Dear God, thank You that Your law points out the danger of sin. Please help me to keep Your law. In Jesus' name, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - PSALM 119:93

"I will _____ Your precepts, for
by them You have _____ me _____."

THERE'S POWER IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

John 8:44, 32.

KEY TEXT: Psalm 119:45

"And I will walk at liberty, for I seek Your precepts."

LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

Satan uses lies to tempt us to sin so that he can steal God's gifts from us. Like he did with Eve, Satan tells us we will be happy if we disobey God. Another lie Satan tells is that God is too strict. Satan tells us that we will be *free* if we disobey God's law. But what did Adam and Eve find? By eating the fruit in disobedience to God, Adam and Eve *obeyed* Satan. By doing that *just once*, they did not become free at all! They became Satan's slaves and Jesus had to die to save us out of slavery to sin.

When God first made Adam and Eve they loved God and His law. But when they disobeyed, their hearts changed completely. Instead of loving God and good, they began to love sin. Because we are their children, we love sin, too. Satan knows that, and so he makes sure we have lots of chances to sin. When we sin, we hurt others and destroy the earth. We become worse and worse. Without God's help, we don't even realise how dangerous sin is.

BEFORE AND AFTER

Which of the Bible verses below describe the hearts of Adam and Eve before sin? Write them in the pure heart. Which describe their hearts after sin? Write them in the evil heart.

Psalms 40:8

Jeremiah 17:9

Psalms 119:11

Romans 8:7

Psalms 18:1

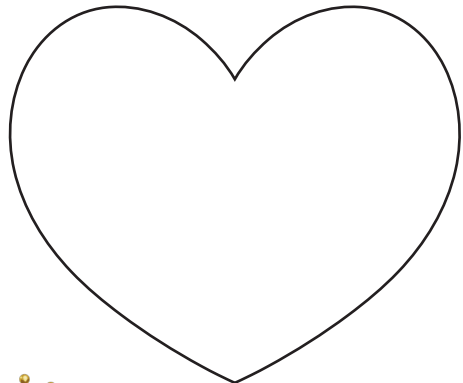
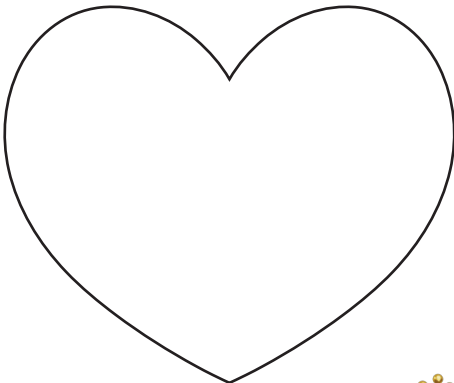
Psalms 119:97

Ephesians 5:19-21

Ephesians 5:22,23

Pure Heart

Evil Heart





FRIDAY

LET'S PRAY Dear God, thank You for the gift of life. Please help me live for You today. In Jesus' name, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - PSALM 119:93

"I will _____ Your _____, for
by them You have _____."

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

Psalms 106:28,35-38; 1 Samuel 28:3-14.

KEY TEXT: Ecclesiastes 9:5, 6

"But the dead know nothing, ... their love, their hatred, and their envy have now perished; nevermore will they have a share in anything done under the sun."

LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

Satan deceived Eve by his lie, "You shall not surely die." Because this lie worked so well, Satan and his angels have used the same lie over and over again to deceive many other people. For instance, just before the Israelites went into the Promised Land, Satan used Balaam to tempt them to sin. So, the Israelites worshipped idols, and "ate sacrifices made to the dead" (Psalm 106:28). The Israelites did the same thing when they lived in the land of Canaan. Psalm 106:35-38 tells us that to worship idols, is to worship demons, or evil angels.

Because of Satan's lie, there are people who claimed to be able to talk to the dead. One of these was the medium King Saul went to see when he was afraid of the Philistine army. The woman said she could see an old man whom King Saul declared to be the prophet Samuel. But, it was really an evil angel disguised to look like Samuel. We must remember that people who are dead are asleep, not awake.

THE FIRST GREAT DECEPTION

Today, many people believe Satan's first lie, "You shall not surely die". But what do these Bible verses teach about death? Fill in the spaces to find out.

Genesis 3:19: " _____ you are, and to _____ you shall return."

Psalm 115:17: "The _____ do not _____ the Lord."

Ecclesiastes 9:5: "The dead know _____."

Ezekiel 18:20: "The _____ who sins shall _____."

Romans 6:23: "The wages of sin is _____."

At the very end of time, Satan will deceive almost the whole world by his first lie, "You shall not surely die." It is **very important** to know the Bible truth about death.





SABBATH

LET'S PRAY Dear God, thank You for always telling the truth. Please help me to trust Your word and obey it. In Jesus' name, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - PSALM 119:93

"I will _____, for _____"
_____.

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

Revelation 12:7,8; Luke 4:5,6; John 14:30.

KEY TEXT: Romans 16:20

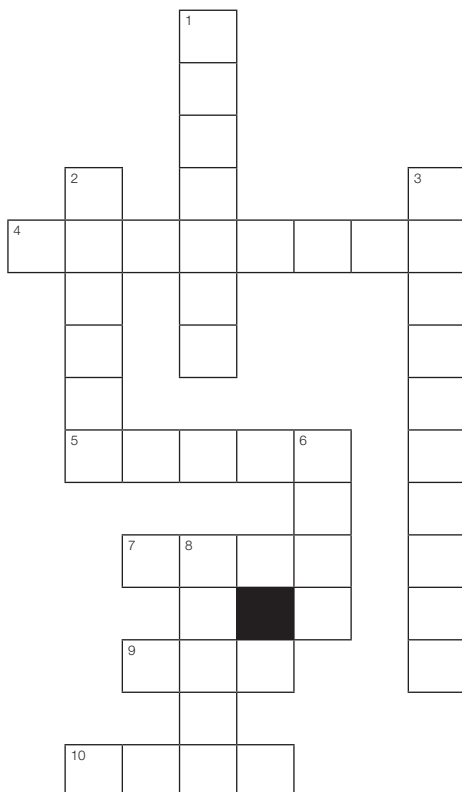
"And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen."

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

We know that in heaven, Satan rebelled against God and His law. Satan told many lies about God and his law. Satan claimed that his way was better than God's way. When Adam and Eve sinned, Satan thought he had won against God. He told the loyal angels, "See! I was right! God's law is too strict! It's impossible to keep, and we don't need it anyway!" He claimed that the world was his and made us his slaves.

It can be scary to think about Satan and his plots against us. But God has a wonderful plan to rescue us and get rid of sin forever! We will learn about that in our next study.

CROSSWORD REVISION



Across

4. God gave Adam and Eve _____ over everything else in the world. Genesis 1:28
5. Satan is the ruler of this _____. John 14:30
7. What Satan speaks to convince us to sin. John 8:44
9. Shows us what sin is. Romans 7:7
10. Jesus makes us _____. John 8:36

Down

1. The dead know _____. Ecclesiastes 9:5
2. What sin multiplies. Genesis 3:16
3. These separate us from God. Isaiah 59:2
6. _____ you are, and to _____ you shall return. Genesis 3:19
8. Adam and Eve were made in God's _____. Genesis 1:27



A DAY WITH THE KING

This week we will learn more about the consequences of breaking God's law of love.



Torchlight

"Adam and Eve persuaded themselves that in so small a matter as eating of the forbidden fruit there could not result such terrible consequences as God had declared. But this small matter was the transgression of God's immutable and holy law, and it separated man from God and opened the floodgates of death and untold woe upon our world."

– Steps to Christ, p. 33