

Theme: The fall produced spiritual and physical death, division and distress for all mankind.

I. Intro – April 14, 1912 @11:42PM

- A. Quotes from survivors – nothing big!
- B. Did not seem like much at first
- C. The real disaster only became apparent later
- D. Within 2.5 hours – sank – 1500 dead
- E. Same is true in the temptation and fall

II. The Consequences of the Fall: Death

- A. The threat for disobedience (2:16-17)
 - 1. God threatened death for disobedience (2:16-17)
 - 2. God keeps His word – they received death!
- B. Two aspects to death: spiritual and physical
 - 1. Spiritual – spiritually die; alienated from God
 - a. 2:16-17 ESV (in the day); not 2:4; 5:1 though
 - b. 3:8 – hiding from God – alienated from Him
 - c. 3:23 – Garden type of Temple – God’s Presence
 - Stones; cherubim; work/worship (עֲבָדָה);
 - Plants carved in Temple; East entrance

- d. Romans 5:12,21 – spiritual death at least part
- 2. Physical – separation of spirit from body
 - a. 3:17,19 – quote 2:17; physical death
 - b. 3:22 – no access to tree of life
 - c. Cain & Abel; genealogies, Noah – physical death!
 - d. 1 Cor 15:21-23 – death & resurrection of body

III. The Consequences of the Fall: Division

- A. Division between mankind and God
 - 1. Man hides from God (3:8)
 - 2. Man blames God (3:11-12)
 - 3. Man driven from the Garden (3:23 – see above)
- B. Division between human beings
 - 1. Covered themselves (3:7)
 - 2. The woman did this! (3:12)
 - 3. Domination in marriage (3:16) – note 4:7
 - 4. Cain and Abel; Lamech
- C. Division between mankind and rest of creation
 - 1. Ground cursed; struggle (3:17-19)

2. Animals killed to provide covering (3:22)

IV. The Consequences of the Fall: Distress

- A. Psychological (3:7)
- B. Spiritual (3:8)
- C. Physical (3:16, 17)

V. Conclusion & Summary

- A. Do we see the cost of sin?
 1. Satan said sin would not produce death
 2. Sin produces death in every area!
 3. **NOTHING** escapes the taint of sin & curse
- B. Do we see how sin spreads?
 1. Sin spread to cover every aspect of humanity
 2. Sin spread from Adam and Eve to all humans
 3. Sin spread from Adam and Eve to all creation
 4. Quote by Witmer on iceberg of sin/autonomy
- C. Do we see how great is the need for redemption?
 1. Redemption must restore what was lost in fall
 2. Redemption must go as deep as effects of sin

3. Redemption must cover every aspect lost in fall

D. Do we see God's redemptive heart?

1. God gives first Gospel – in curse on Satan!
2. God provides clothing – while banishing!
3. Don't despair – cry out to God for redemption

The Consequences of the Fall on Mankind

Genesis 2:16-17; 3:8-24

April 22, 2007

I Bow Down

Numbers 6

"There was just a small motion, but nothing to speak of..."

Pantryman A. Pearcey, 3rd Class Pantry, F Deck

"At the time of the collision I was awake and heard the engines stop, but felt no jar. My husband was asleep."

Emily Bosie Ryerson, Passenger, Cabin B-63

"I was dreaming, and I work up when I heard a slight crash. I paid not attention to it until I heard the engines stop."

C.E. Henry Stengel, Passenger, Cabin C-116

¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; ¹⁷ but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will surely die." Genesis 2:16-17

¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, ¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for **in the day** that you eat of it you shall surely die." Genesis 2:16-17 ESV

⁴ These are the generations of the heavens and the earth **when they were created**, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens. Genesis 2:4

¹ This is the book of the generations of Adam. **When** God created man, he made him in the likeness of God. Genesis 5:1

Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and **death through sin**, and in this way **death came to all men**, because all sinned-- 21 so that, just as **sin reigned in death**, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring **eternal life** through Jesus Christ our Lord. Rom 5:12, 21

21 For since death came through a man, the **resurrection of the dead** comes also through a man. 22 **For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.** 23 But each in his own turn: **Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him.** 1 Corinthians 15:21-23

Because every sin comes from autonomy, every sin, nor matter how small it seems on the surface, conceals an iceberg of devastation below. Once Adam and Eve gave way to autonomy, they guaranteed that their sin would not remain small for long. Autonomous individuals will sin as large as they need to keep themselves on top. Autonomy for Adam and Eve meant eating a piece of fruit; autonomy for their son meant murdering his brother. Michael Wittmer, *Heaven is a Place on Earth*, 176.