



Beyond the Sermon

A Sermon Application Guide

Title: From Adam to Jesus: The Ultimate Redemption Story

This guide is designed to offer a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with Sunday's message. You can print this guide to study on your own, or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

Message Theme

Renovated Life | Restored To New

Prayer Focus

Father, thank You for sending Your only Son to die on my behalf and pay my debt. Jesus, thank You for sacrificing Your life for my freedom so I can have the opportunity to live a fulfilled life. You're a kind and generous Father who loves to bless His children. I will continue to glorify and praise You for as long as I'm able. In Jesus' Name, amen.

Key Truths

Why did Jesus have to go to the cross and die?

The Book of Genesis is essential to understanding why Christ died on the cross. From the very first page of the Bible, we witness the creation of the world and mankind. Humans were created in God's image and given dominion over the earth. Adam and Eve, the first man and woman, were placed in the Garden of Eden and instructed not to eat from a particular plant, the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. But Satan, disguised as a serpent, went to Eve and manipulated her into doubting God's command, making her believe that God was withholding something from them. When Eve ate the forbidden fruit and gave it to Adam, they fractured their relationship with the Creator. The world fell into Satan's domain. As our representatives in the garden, Adam and Eve acted on behalf of all humanity. Therefore, we're all born as sinful people.

After many generations, God promised Abraham that He would bless all his descendants. He made a covenant with Abraham, which was a binding agreement that both parties must uphold. God promised that another Adam would represent us, allowing us to avoid the punishment for original sin. Since all people were affected by Adam and Eve's sin, God would have to pay for all of Abraham's debts. In return, God asked Abraham to sacrifice his only son, Isaac. Abraham was willing to do so. However, God did not require Isaac's blood and blessed Abraham for his obedience. In the New Testament, we see the fulfillment of the covenant between God the Father and God the Son.

God's promise became flesh when Mary gave birth to Jesus. Christ came to represent us and undo what Satan did in the Garden of Eden by repairing our relationship with God.

Practical Application

Jesus didn't just go to the cross for everybody else; He went for *you*. Imagine it this way: they say that people's lives flash before their eyes when they pass away. On the cross, as Jesus suffered in shame and agony, instead of His own life flashing before His eyes, your life did. He thought of *you* as He paid the price for sin.

Consider these questions:

- What part of this story resonates with you the most today?
- Did you find any part of it new or presented differently?
- Is there anyone you know who needs to hear this story? Consider sharing this good news with them.

Reference Verses

- Genesis 1:26-28, 2:16-17, 3:1-4, 3:15, 12:2-3, 15:7-9, 15:17-19, 22:25
- Psalms 115:16
- Romans 5:12, 4:25, 6:4
- Luke 4:5-6
- 1 John 5:19
- 2 Corinthians 4:4, 5:19
- Ephesians 6:12
- Acts 1:5
- Galatians 3:15-18
- Hebrews 6:13-19, 2:14, 10:13
- John 1:14
- Isaiah 9:6-7
- 1 Corinthians 15:45 & 47, 5:14
- Revelation 1:18

Declarations

I was created for a purpose.

As a member of God's family, I have authority over the enemy.

When Jesus died on the cross, He thought of me and paid for my sins.

God is a loving Father who sacrificed His Son on my behalf so I can live in freedom, unburdened by the weight of my iniquity. I choose to accept and live in that promise!

What's Next?

Today we celebrate the significance of Easter, a season of resurrection and new life, a time to reflect on our daily priorities and decisions. Here are some actionable steps to help you experience the fullness of Easter's promise...

1. **Recognize Your Value:** Understand that your worth comes from being created in the image and likeness of God. Regardless of your talents or self-awareness, you have inherent value because you reflect God's image.
2. **Guard Against Deception:** Be aware of the tactics of deception used by the enemy, as exemplified by the serpent in the Garden of Eden. The devil may try to convince you that God is holding out on you or that there is something better elsewhere. Guard yourself against such lies.
3. **Trust in God's Promises:** Just as God made promises to Abraham and fulfilled them through Jesus Christ, trust in God's promises for your life. Know that God's word is immutable and that He will fulfill what He has spoken.
4. **Live in Victory:** Recognize that Jesus has conquered sin, death, and the powers of darkness. Walk in the victory that He has won for you and live a life that honors Him in every aspect.

As you apply these principles, you'll discover the truths and promises of today's message taking root in your heart. Experience the life-changing power of God's Word firsthand!

Now it's time to write down anything the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, thank Him, and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.

Scripture References

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Genesis 1:26 NKJV Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness"

Genesis 1:26 NKJV ...let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

Genesis 1:28 NKJV Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it..."

Psalms 115:16 NKJV The heaven, even the heavens, are the Lord's;
But the earth He has given to the children of men.

Genesis 2:15-17 AMPC And the Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden ... And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil and blessing and calamity you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.

Genesis 3:2-4 NKJV And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, ‘You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.’ Then the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die.”

Proverbs 14:12 NKJV There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death.

Romans 6:16 NKJV Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one’s slaves whom you obey, whether of sin leading to death, or of obedience leading to righteousness?

Romans 6:23 NKJV For the wages of sin is death...

Romans 5:12 NKJV Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned—

Genesis 3:15 NKJV And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel.”

Joshua 10:24 NKJV So it was, when they brought out those kings to Joshua, that Joshua called for all the men of Israel, and said to the captains of the men of war who went with him, “Come near, put your feet on the necks of these kings.” And they drew near and put their feet on their necks.

Luke 4:5-6 NKJV Then the devil, taking Him up on a high mountain, showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. And the devil said to Him, “All this authority I will give You, and their glory; for *this* has been delivered to me, and I give it to whomever I wish.

Psalms 89:34 NKJV My covenant I will not break, Nor alter the word that has gone out of My lips.

2 Corinthians 4:4 KJV ...the god of this world...

John 14:30 KJV ...the prince of this world...

1 John 5:19 AMP We know [for a fact] that we are of God, and the whole world [around us] lies in the power of the evil one [opposing God and His precepts].

Genesis 12:2 NKJV I will make you a great nation...

Matthew 19:28 NKJV ...you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Genesis 12:2-3 NKJV ...I will bless you... I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

Genesis 15:7 NKJV Then He said to him, “I *am* the LORD, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to inherit it.”

Genesis 15:2 NKJV But Abram said, “Lord God, what will You give me, seeing I go childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?”

Genesis 15:8 NKJV And he said, “Lord God, how shall I know that I will inherit it?”

Genesis 15:9 NKJV So He said to him, “Bring Me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old female goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.”

Genesis 15:10 NKJV Then he brought all these to Him and cut them in two, down the middle, and placed each piece opposite the other; but he did not cut the birds in two.

Genesis 15:12 NKJV Now when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and behold, horror and great darkness fell upon him.

Genesis 15:17-18 NKJV ...that behold, there appeared a smoking oven and a burning torch that passed between those pieces. On the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying: “To your descendants I have given this land...”

Galatians 3:15-16 NKJV Brethren, I speak in the manner of men: Though *it is* only a man’s covenant, yet *if it is* confirmed, no one annuls or adds to it. Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, “And to seeds,” as of many, but as of one, “And to your Seed,” who is Christ.

Galatians 3:17-18 NKJV And this I say, *that* the law, which was four hundred and thirty years later, cannot annul the covenant that was confirmed before by God [a]in Christ, that it should make the promise of no effect. For if the inheritance *is* of the law, *it is* no longer of promise; but God gave *it* to Abraham by promise.

Acts 1:4-5 NKJV And being assembled together with *them*, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, “which,” *He said*, “you have heard from Me; for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

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Genesis 22:2 NKJV Then He said, “Take now your son, your only *son* Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering...”

John 3:16 NKJV For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Genesis 22: 15-17 MSG The angel of God spoke from Heaven a second time to Abraham: “I swear—God’s sure word!—because you have gone through with this, and have not refused to give me your son, your dear, dear son, I’ll bless you—oh, how I’ll bless you!

Hebrews 6:13 NKJV For when God made a promise to Abraham, because He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself...

Hebrews 6:14-18 NKJV saying, “Surely blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply you.” And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise. For men indeed swear by the greater, and an oath for confirmation is for them an end of all

dispute. Thus God, determining to show more abundantly to the heirs of promise the immutability of His counsel, confirmed it by an oath that by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we might have strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us. This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil...

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Psalms 138:2 NKJV For You have magnified Your word above all Your name.

John 1:14 NKJV And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us...

Genesis 1:3 NKJV Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light.

Genesis 1:9 NKJV Then God said, “Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear”; and it was so.

Isaiah 7:14 NKJV Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.

Isaiah 9:6-7 NKJV For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of His government and peace There will be no end, Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, To order it and establish it with judgment and justice From that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

1 Corinthians 15:45 NKJV And so it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit.

1 Corinthians 15:47 NKJV The first man was of the earth, made of dust; the second Man is the Lord from heaven.

Romans 5:17 AMPC For if because of one man's trespass (lapse, offense) death reigned through that one, much more surely will those who receive [God's] overflowing grace (unmerited favor) and the free gift of righteousness [putting them into right standing with Himself] reign as kings in life through the one Man Jesus Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One).

2 Corinthians 5:19 TLB For God was in Christ, restoring the world to himself...

Romans 4:25 NKJV who was delivered up because of our offenses, and was raised because of our justification.

Galatians 2:20 KJV I am crucified with Christ...

2 Corinthians 5:14 NKJV ...that if One died for all, then all died;...

1 John 3:8 NKJV ...For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

1 John 3:8 Phillips ...liquidating the devil's activities...

Hebrews 2:14 NKJV ...that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil...

Colossians 2:14 NKJV having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

Acts 2:24 NKJV ...having loosed the pains of death...

Revelation 1:18 NKJV I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death.