

**When You Don't Like Your Story:  
What if Your Worst Chapters Could Become Your Greatest Victories?**

**1,2,3 Overview of Creation, The Fall, The Cross  
From Bible Study Video Session 1**

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In video lesson 1 When You Don't Like Your Story Bible Study, I gave you several lists of 3's. Here is the list for your reference.

**Three Person of the Trinity**

1. God the Father
2. God the Son
3. God the Holy Spirit

**Three Parts of Man Created in God's Image**

1. Body
2. Soul
3. Spirit

**Three Parts of the Soul**

1. Mind: Think
2. Will: Choose
3. Emotions: Feel

**Three Greek Words for Life**

1. Bios - life of the body
2. Psyche - life of the soul
3. Zoe - life of the spirit

**Three Powerful Strengths of Man at Creation**

1. Significance: Adam and Eve had great significance as rulers of all the creatures in the entire earth. They had a job to do.
2. Sufficiency: All their needs were cared for. They had everything they needed.
3. Security: Adam and Eve were in perfect union and communion with God and each other. They lived in community. Adam and Eve were very secure in their relationship with God.

### Three Characteristics of Temptation found in Genesis 3

1. The serpent *questioned* God. "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?"
2. The serpent *denied* God. "You will not surely die," the serpent said to the woman. The first lie in the Bible
3. He serpent caused her to *doubt* God's goodness. "For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

### Three Areas of Temptation

"When the woman saw that the tree was:

1. Body: "Good for food"
2. Soul: "And that it was a delight to the eyes" – mind, will and emotions
3. Spirit: "And that the tree was desirable to make one wise" – her spirit. She believed the lie that if she ate from this tree, she would be like God.

### Man's Three Powerful Strengths Became Three Impotent Needs

1. Eve lost her sense of significance and felt inferiority.
2. Eve lost her sense of sufficiency and felt inadequacy.
3. Eve lost her sense of security felt insecurity.

When someone comes to Jesus, because of what he did for us on the cross, their dead zoe spirit comes to life and our needs once again become strengths.

**The 3 Weaknesses become 3 Strengths again.** You now have:

1. Significance because of *who* you are in Christ.
2. Sufficiency because of *what* you have in Christ.
3. Security because of *where* you are in Christ- your position in Christ.

### Three Phases of Salvation

1. **In the past, we have been saved from the *penalty* of sin at the moment of salvation.**  
The church word for that is **justification**. We are declared not guilty - just as though we had never sinned. It is not due to anything that we do on our own, but a gift of grace and mercy from God. We are not saved by how we behave but by what we believe.  
(Ephesians 2:8-9)
2. **In the present, we are being saved from the *power* of sin as we become conformed to the image of Christ.** This is called **sanctification**. Justification is the declaration of "not guilty" by a judge *about* us while sanctification is the process of being conformed to the image of Christ while here on earth. (Hebrews 10:14; 1 Thessalonians 5:23)

3. **In the future, we will be saved from the *presence* of sin.**

One day we will leave this earth and join Jesus in heaven for all eternity. There will be no more sickness, death, mourning, tears, or pain. Hallelujah, there will be no more sin (Revelation 21:1-5). This is when we will experience **glorification**. (Colossians 3:4; 1 Peter 5:4)

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