## HOW CAN WE BE VICTORIOUS OVER SATAN'S TEMPTATIONS? LEARNING FROM WHAT LED TO THE FALL OF MANKIND Genesis 3:1-6

- I. EVE WAS DECEITFULLY TEMPTED BY SATAN TO DOUBT THE AUTHORITY OF GOD'S WORD, HIS GOODNESS, AND THUS TO TRUST IN HER OWN JUDGMENT RATHER THAN GOD AND HIS WORD (3:1)
  - A. The deceptively clever (crafty) serpent is introduced (1a)
  - B. Satan deceitfully tempted Eve to doubt the authority of God's Word, His character and thus rely on her own judgment to seek fulfillment apart from Him (1b)
- II. EVE APPEARS TO RESPOND TO SATAN'S DECEIT WITH A DEADLY REFOCUSING from the Lord God's abundant provision to His small prohibition (3:2-3)
- III. EVE, NOW BEGINNING TO RELY ON HER OWN JUDGMENT, IS A TARGET FOR SATAN'S OUTRIGHT LIES ...i.e. that there are no consequences for sin and that God is not good, because He is knowingly holding something good from her (3:4-5)
- IV. EVE, NOW APART FROM THE TEMPTER, FULLY RELIES ON HER OWN JUDGMENT AND FALLS INTO SIN (3:6)
  - A. Eve's analysis and choice is simply made in accordance with... (6a)
    - 1. The lust of the eyes
    - 2. The lust of the flesh
    - 3. The boastful pride of life
  - B. THE CHOICE IS MADE: Eve being fully deceived falls into transgression and Adam rebels (6b)