TREK 1: HIS STORY PARENT GUIDE

Lesson 2.4: Hiding From God

SCRIPTURE: GENESIS 3:8-11

SUMMARY

In reading the account of Adam and Eve's first sin, we see them instantly hide from God and try to cover up their actions. Ever since, this has been the natural pattern for everyone in responding to their own sin. But since God is all-present and all-knowing — the same characteristics which make Him so loving toward us — people are afraid for Him to see their sin. It is normal for people to fear God because of sin, because sin indeed separates all people from God. Only by admitting sinfulness to God can someone be restored to the right relationship with God that He originally created us to have.



And no creature is hidden from His sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account. (Hebrews 4:13)

KEY THOUGHT:

In Lesson 2.4 we learned that Adam and Eve felt shame and hid from God after they sinned.

KEY WORD:

Shame: the painful feeling following the actions of something dishonorable

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What is the one key thought that you learned tonight?
- Why is it impossible for someone to hide from God?
- Adam and Eve knew that God was all-knowing and cared for them. Why then did they hide from God after they first sinned?
- How does the word shame describe Adam and Eve's emotions before God when they sinned?
- In your experience, why does sin create a feeling of distance from God?
- What makes it so hard to admit a sin to someone like a parent, teacher or friend?
- What do you think draws people back to sin even when they know it's wrong and that God sees them?
- Why do you think it is important for us to admit to God that we are sinners?
- What should you do with the lesson you learned tonight? What should we do?