

Has Anything Changed Since Adam & Eve?

(Genesis 2:15-18; 3:1-9)

Introduction: *The story is old...the story is new...*

- I. WE ARE A BELOVED CREATION OF GOD
 - A. But we have learned to question God & our need to obey Him
 - B. There is a sense in which Adam is in every man and Eve in every woman

- II. THINGS HAVE NOT REALLY CHANGED SINCE ADAM & EVE
 - A. We still play “*pass the buck & hide and go seek*”
 - B. But blaming others and hiding don't work

- III. THERE ARE TWO THINGS WE CAN AS WE STAND BEFORE GOD
 - A. Hide and blame, -or-
 - B. Look to Jesus

- IV. THE VERY NATURE OF GOD IS TO LOOK FOR US
 - A. This is how Jesus describes His purpose (Matthew 18:11)
 - B. This is what God did for Adam & Eve (Genesis 2:9)

- V. IT'S TIME FOR US TO QUIT HIDING & TO COME OUT FROM BEHIND THE BUSHES
 - A. Lent is a time to repent, to quit hiding and to return to God
 - B. On the Cross Jesus bore our sin and shame
 - C. The **bad news** is this: *Not much has changed since Adam & Eve*
 - D. The **good news** is this: *There is still hope for sinners!*

Conclusion: God is still calling to every sinner (each of us) –
Where are you?