

EVE, THE _____ OF ALL

Introduction: The first lady of Scripture seems an unlikely subject for a role model, yet she is the mother of all human beings. Without her giving birth to the first people of Scripture there would be no Mother's Day to _____. I believe there are some valuable lessons to be gained looking at the Bible passages that refer to her. Eve is mentioned only _____ times in Scripture, and I want to consider each of these to see what we can learn. Much of what we will conclude about these four verses comes from our understanding of what the _____ of Scripture tells us.

I. **1 Timothy 2:13** *For Adam was first formed, then Eve.*

- A. Adam's responsibility was to be the teacher and _____ of his wife.
1. It seems that he had taught her what God had said concerning the forbidden fruit since he was the one God had given the command to
 2. Yet Eve did not correctly quote God, based on what we have recorded in the Scripture (cf. *Gen 2:16-17; 3:2-3* - "neither shall ye touch it").
 3. Assuming from what is recorded in Scripture, tweaking the command of God the way she thought it went, she opened herself to the deceptiveness of _____.
- B. Adam _____ to be the leader of his household and step in and stop the conversation between the devil and Eve, and its suggested behavior.
1. It seems that Adam possibly was _____ when Eve carried on her conversation with and became convinced by Satan that it was acceptable to eat of the forbidden fruit.
(*Gen 3:6* - She also gave some to her husband, who was with her and he did eat)
 2. Adam _____ disobeyed God and ate of the fruit with Eve. Cf. *1 Tim 2:14*

II. **2 Corinthians 11:3 (& 4)** *But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtlety, so your minds (the place that _____ attacks) should be corrupted (to pervert or destroy) from the simplicity that is in Christ (the simple, yet profound _____ that is found in Christ). 4 For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with (_____ and allow) him.*

- A. Beguiled: (_____)
1. *1 Cor 3:18* Let no man **deceive** himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise. (Do not be deceived by your _____ deception)
 2. *2 Thess 2:3* Let no man **deceive** you by any means: (Be not deceived by the deception that is in _____)
- B. Subtlety: (_____ cunning craftiness)
1. *Luke 20:23* But he perceived their **craftiness**, and said unto them, Why tempt ye me?
 2. *1 Cor 3:19* For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, He taketh the wise in their own **craftiness**.
 3. *2 Cor 4:2* But have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in **craftiness**, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God.
 4. *Eph 4:14* That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning **craftiness**, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; (The weak humanity, the gullibility, the struggle with _____-centeredness, the frailty, the need for the controlling power of God's Word and the need for _____ of believers to God is demonstrated in this verse.)

III. **Genesis 3:20** *And Adam (the man) called his wife's name Eve (life, living); because she was the mother _____ of all living. (This verse comes _____ the fall and after God's judgment being pronounced upon _____ their sinful behavior)*

- A. Eve in the Hebrew is the English word "life or living", a _____ name
- B. "It is probable that God designed by this name to teach our first parents these two important truths: 1. That though they had merited immediate death, yet it should be postponed, and the accomplishment of the sentence be long delayed; they should be spared to propagate a numerous offspring on the earth. 2. That though much misery would be entailed on his posterity, and death should have a long and universal empire, yet one should in the fulness of time spring from the woman, who should destroy death, and bring life and immortality to light. {Gen 3:15} Therefore Adam called his wife's name Life, because she was to be the mother of all human beings, and because she was to be the mother of HIM who was to give life to a world dead in trespasses, and dead in sins." **Adam Clarke Commentary**

IV. **Genesis 4:1** *And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD.* ("With the Lord's help I have produced a man!")

- A. Eve expresses her _____ and confidence in God by the statement she makes. "I have gotten a man from the LORD."
 - 1. Something has taken place in her and she understands that she gave birth _____ through Divine intervention. It is probably be safe to state that a _____ change has taken place in her and Adam.
 - 2. Cf. Gen 3:7 *Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings.* (Man's efforts _____ God' directing or enablement)
 - 3. Gen 3:21 *Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.* (God's effort _____ the aid of man=God shedding the blood of an animal sacrifice to provide a covering for Adam and Eve's nakedness due to their sinful act)
- B. God's providing righteousness for sinners is described often as being "_____".
 - 1. Isa 61:10 *I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, My soul shall be joyful in my God; For He has clothed me with the garments of salvation, He has covered me with the robe of righteousness, As a bridegroom decks himself with ornaments, And as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.*
 - 2. 2Cor 5:2-3 *We grow weary in our present bodies, and we long to put on our heavenly bodies like new clothing. ³For we will put on heavenly bodies; we will not be spirits without bodies. NLT*
 - 3. 2Cor 5:21 *For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.*
- C. In Gen 4:1 we see a display of:
 - 1. God's forgiveness-they were not killed instantly Cf. Gen 2:16-17
 - 2. God's mercy and grace-they are _____ to propagate children
 - 3. God chooses to use a _____ woman who had deliberately _____ and disobeyed God's _____ command
 - 4. Eve recognized the _____ of God in her life

Conclusion: Although Eve had a difficult and sinful _____ in life, and although she was deceived by the devil, yet God in His mercy and grace did not _____ and forsake her. He provided a _____ for her sinfulness and nakedness. Eve went on to give birth to Seth (Gen 4:25), who was the beginning of our _____ family heritage (Luke 3:38). Seth was a man who followed _____ after God. Very likely he learned how to be obedient from the lessons his _____ taught him, Eve having experienced both disobedience and obedience and learning, through the experience, the greater benefit of being obedient!