

Week of 01-15-2023
Series: The Story, Ch. 1, Pt. 3
Sermon: We Had It All
Text: Genesis 2

Sermon Outline:

1. We were made for God. (1-7)
2. We were made to enjoy without restraint. (8-14)
3. We were made to work. (15)
4. We were made to live forever. (16-17)
5. We were made for one another. (18-25)

Discussion Questions:

Read Genesis 2.

1. Have you ever thought about how long Adam and Eve lived in the Garden before Genesis 3? Doctrinally speaking, it really does not matter, but it is fun to consider: How long do you think they had in the Garden to enjoy God, creation, work, and one another without restraint, difficulty, regret, or pain?
2. Josh had his chance on Sunday. Now, how would YOU describe Adam and Eve's...
 - Relationship with God in Genesis 2?
 - Capacity to enjoy God's creation?
 - Ability to work and to find satisfaction in accomplishment?
 - Experience in never feeling or considering pain, poor health, or death?
 - Relationship with one another?
3. Read Revelation 21:1-4 and 22:1-5. Does the Heaven that is to come motivate you to persevere in this life now? Or is Heaven something that seems so far out of touch that it doesn't really impact your life now?
4. Read 1 Peter 2:24. In Genesis 2, we see a Garden, a River, and a Tree of Life. In Revelation 22, we see a City, a River, and a Tree of Life. Discuss the reason for the cross and how it's the fundamental answer for all our problems in this life and the next.
5. Read Romans 8:28 and Revelation 21:5. In Genesis 2, Adam and Eve had it all. They had it better than us in every way. However, they didn't know what redemption looked like or felt like. In Genesis 2, Adam and Eve couldn't identify, understand, and appreciate what it was like for God to take something bad (such as a foolish decision or a difficult circumstance) and turn it in to something good. Name an area in your life where you have been grateful for God's intervention for your good and His glory?