

# Welcome to our Sunday Service 7 March 2021

Genesis 3:1-7 - Did God really say?

Welcome: Michael Byrne

## Song:

You're the Word of God the Father, From before the world began; Every star and every planet Has been fashioned by Your hand. All creation holds together By the power of Your voice: Let the skies declare Your glory, Let the land and seas rejoice!

You're the Author of creation, You're the Lord of every man; And Your cry of love rings out Across the lands.

Yet You left the gaze of angels, Came to seek and save the lost, And exchanged the joy of heaven For the anguish of a cross. With a prayer You fed the hungry, With a word You stilled the sea; Yet how silently You suffered That the guilty may go free.

You're the Author of creation...

With a shout You rose victorious, Wresting victory from the grave, And ascended into heaven Leading captives in Your wake. Now You stand before the Father Interceding for Your own. From each tribe and tongue and nation You are leading sinners home.

You're the Author of creation...

## Reading: Psalm 19

- <sup>1</sup> The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.
- <sup>2</sup> Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.
- <sup>3</sup> They have no speech, they use no words; no sound is heard from them.
- <sup>4</sup> Yet their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.

In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun.

- It is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, like a champion rejoicing to run his course.
- <sup>6</sup> It rises at one end of the heavens and makes its circuit to the other; nothing is deprived of its warmth.
- <sup>7</sup> The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul.

The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple.

<sup>8</sup> The precepts of the Lord are right, giving joy to the heart.

The commands of the Lord are radiant, giving light to the eyes.

<sup>9</sup> The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring for ever.

The decrees of the Lord are firm, and all of them are righteous.

They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold;

they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb.

<sup>11</sup> By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

<sup>12</sup> But who can discern their own errors?

<sup>13</sup> Keep your servant also from wilful sins; may they not rule over me.

Then I will be blameless,

Forgive my hidden faults.

innocent of great transgression.

<sup>14</sup> May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

#### **Prayers**

#### The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.
Amen

## Reading: Genesis 3:1-7

- <sup>1</sup> Now the snake was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God really say, "You must not eat from any tree in the garden"?'
- <sup>2</sup> The woman said to the snake, 'We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup> but God did say, "You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die."'
- <sup>4</sup> 'You will not certainly die,' the snake said to the woman. <sup>5</sup> 'For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.'
- <sup>6</sup> When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realised that they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

Talk: 'Did God really say?' - David Horrocks

#### Confession:

O Lord our God, we have not obeyed your commandments, we have not always done what is right; in our weakness we have sinned, we have done wrong we have acted wickedly; we have forgotten your many kindnesses and we have rebelled against you:
O Lord, forgive us and save us bring us back and restore us; that we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in your praise. Amen.

#### Song:

What love could remember no wrongs we have done Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

Praise the Lord His mercy is more Stronger than darkness, new every morn Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam What Father, so tender, is calling us home He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

Praise the Lord

What riches of kindness he lavished on us His blood was the payment, His life was the cost We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford Our sins they are many, His mercy is more Praise the Lord

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#### **Next Week**

We conclude our series in Genesis 1 - 3, 'In the beginning'. David Horrocks will be speaking on Genesis 3:8-24, 'Because you have done this'.





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