

Paradise Lost - Paradise Found

Description of "Paradise" (Gen. 2:8-17)

Tree of Life, River, precious stones, Tree of Knowledge of Good and evil

QUESTIONS:

What parts of paradise are particularly attractive to you? Why?

What are some activities that people enjoy that resemble these descriptions?

Removal from Paradise (Gen. 3:22-24)

Caught up in Satan's Rebellion

Man's choice

Sins consequences

QUESTIONS:

What would you tell others is the real step to fix this? What would that conversation sound like?

Attempts to create Paradise

Philosophy (Act. 17:16-34)

Society (Gen. 11:9)

Laws (Gal. 3:19-25)

QUESTIONS:

Discuss other historical or current attempts to re-create paradise
In your opinion how will these end?

Paradise restored.

God living with man not just "visiting" (Rev. 21:1-3)

Accomplished by God alone (Rev. 21:5-7)

Like the first but better (Rev. 21:18-21, 22:1-4)

Precious stones, River and Tree of Life - what's missing?

(missing Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil)

QUESTIONS:

How should we respond, in light of these things being true?