

Wednesday Minute "Blame Someone Else!", February 26, 2020

"The man said, 'The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it. 'Then the Lord God said to the woman, 'What is this you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent deceived me, and I ate.'" Genesis 3:12-13 NIV

Read: Genesis 3

Avoiding responsibility for your actions may seem like an easy way out, but will not give you innocence. Some have pointed the finger at others, thinking they got away with it. Blaming someone else for your actions is a lie that is immediately known by GOD. GOD always knows the real truth.

Genesis, chapter 3 tells us the story of Adam and Eve and the forbidden fruit. We usually hear this story as a teaching of disobedience. Today, let's look at exactly the same verses and see how they were both denied responsibility and were ready to blame someone else.

In verse 7, we read of them first understanding the results of the sin they had committed. When GOD came into the garden, they both hid knowing what they had done and feeling the shame of being naked.

When GOD asked Adam if he had eaten of the fruit against GOD'S will, he was quick to answer by blaming Eve, even though GOD had told him not to eat of this tree. "The man said, 'The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it.' Genesis 3:12 NIV Instantly, Adam blamed someone else...Eve.

"Then the Lord God said to the woman, 'What is this you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent deceived me, and I ate.' Genesis 3:13 Eve then blamed someone else...Satan, who appeared as the snake. The snake deceived her, but did not force her to eat the forbidden fruit.

Both knew what they had done, but neither would accept responsibility for their actions. They both blamed someone else. They then found out that lying to GOD by blaming someone else did not work. Sin on top of sin.

Has blaming someone else for your actions or words given you peace of mind or are those times still haunting you? GOD always knows...always. Now, it is time to ask for forgiveness. Tell GOD you are remorseful for your actions and ask HIM to forgive you.

Oh yes, and remember to never again blame someone else for your words or actions.

Today's Prayer:

"Thank YOU, LORD, for YOUR patience with me. Too many times I have blamed someone else for my failures to avoid the responsibilities of my actions. Please forgive me for blaming others. I promise YOU that I will accept any judgement from YOU or others for my actions and I will stop blaming others. Amen."

Feel HIS Blessings!

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