

Have you ever heard anyone refer to a car as a "lemon"? What are some characteristics of a car that is described this way?

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Have you ever had the experience of purchasing a car that fit this description? How did you deal with the situation?

1. Lest You Die (Genesis 3:1-7)

After God rested from creating the heavens and the earth and all that they contain, what did He see according to Genesis 1:31? How does this compare to our experience of the world today?



Look back at Genesis 1 and 2. What do we know about the nature and purpose of mankind from the creation account? How was mankind intended to bring God glory?

Application Question: Do you believe that God's character and His Word are completely trustworthy? How do your life and actions give evidence for what you believe?

2. Bent from Birth (John 1:10-13)

How was Adam's sin connected to the reality that mankind rejected Jesus at His coming? Why are we unable to change the impact of sin in our lives apart from Christ?



Application Question: How have you experienced the reality that you are unable to turn from sin on your own? Have you experienced freedom from areas of sin in your life through Christ? If so, share what this has been like.

3. Under God's Wrath (John 1:10-13)

How can we reconcile the wrath of God with the great love of God? What does it mean to be under the wrath of God?



Why must Christians tell others the truth about God's wrath in order to truly love them?

Application Question: Have you come to grips with the reality that God's wrath against those who remain in their sin is just and fitting? Why or why not? How does this reality affect the way you respond to God with your life?

Conclusion

Are there any passages of Scripture that have been especially meaningful to you as you have sought to obey the Lord and give Him glory in your context? What are they? How do they connect with your present life?

What sins are you most often drawn toward? How do you battle against sin and battle for God's glory in your life? How can your fellow church members and pastors help you?

If you are in Christ and no longer under God's wrath, have you truly let that reality set in? How might you be shaped by meditating on the fact that God now feels no wrath whatsoever toward you—even when you sin—because Christ has already bore that wrath? How should this make you a more joyful, thankful, loving person?

Daily Readings

- Monday Genesis 3:8-15
- Tuesday Genesis 3:16
- Wednesday Genesis 3:17-19
- Thursday Genesis 3:20-24
- Friday Genesis 5:12
- Saturday Genesis 5:23