

HIS STORY PARENT GUIDE

Lesson 2.7: Shedding Blood

SCRIPTURE: HEBREWS 9:11-28

SUMMARY

Once Adam and Eve were thrown out of the garden of Eden and started living under the curses, they experienced the full effect of separation from God. The barrier that this separation created needed to be torn down in some way. Blood sacrifices (with animals in the Old Testament) were the way that God prescribed individual sins to be forgiven. But while individual sins could be forgiven by sacrifices in the Old Testament, these sacrifices could never entirely solve the problem of sin itself. This is why Jesus Christ came to be the ultimate sacrifice for our sin problem once and for all. Through the shedding of Jesus' blood on the cross, people can be forgiven of sin and their separation with God replaced by a relationship with the creator.



KEY VERSE:

Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins. (Hebrews 9:22)

KEY THOUGHT:

In Lesson 2.7 we learned that in order for sins to be forgiven blood must be shed.

KEY WORD:

Remission: the release as from a debt, penalty, or obligation

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What is the one key thought that you learned tonight?
- Why is it not possible for anyone to pay (take care of) their own sin?
- What is the only way that sin can be paid for, and how does that make sense? (**Note:** This is a deep-thinking question!)
- Explain the word *remission* in your own words, and how did an animal sacrifice provide remission?
- Why did the Old Testament sacrifices have to be redone over and over again?
- How does the judgment of our sin make us fearful in a good way?
- How did Jesus accomplish our remission (forgiveness) of sin?
- As you think about Jesus' payment for our sin, what do you find to be wonderful about what He did on our behalf?
- What should you do with the lesson you learned tonight? What should we do?

TREK 1: HIS STORY PARENT GUIDE

Unit 2 Review — The Fall

SUMMARY

In Unit 2 of *Trek 1*, we learn about the dominating flaw of humanity — sin and the separation from God that it has caused. Adam and Eve first sinned by giving in to the temptation of the serpent and eating from the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, which God had told them not to eat. Satan is the source of all sin, and the one who brought the temptation to Adam and Eve. After Adam and Eve sinned, God sent them out of the garden, and they experienced life under the curse of sin. Life under the curse creates ongoing separation from God, which can only be taken care of through sacrifices — death. Jesus Christ ultimately sacrificed to pay for sin once and for all.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What is the one key thought that you learned tonight?
- How does Satan go about tempting people?
- What do you think motivated Adam and Eve to give in to the temptation of the serpent?
- What happened to Adam and Eve after they sinned?
- What are some of the consequences of sin in the world today?
- Discuss: Can people ever achieve a satisfied life while being separated from God?
- How was Jesus a perfect sacrifice for the remission of our sin?
- What should you do with the lesson you learned tonight? What should we do?