

FAMILY FAITH

Chapter 4: Promise of a Savior

Adam and Eve lost their friendship with God through sin. But God promised to send a Savior.

Chapter Summary

Adam and Eve were created in friendship with God. Because of the graces of this friendship, they lived in harmony with each other and all of creation. By choosing to reject God, Adam and Eve were separated from God and therefore no longer lived in harmony with each other or with creation. Adam and Eve's sin had consequences for themselves as well as the whole human family. Each human person inherits Original Sin and the consequences of sin. In our fallen state, we experience suffering, death, and an inclination to sin. God promised to send us a Savior to save us from sin and to restore and strengthen our relationship with God and one another.

More for Parents

Is it fair for us to inherit Original Sin from our first parents, Adam and Eve? As parents, we know all too well how the decisions we make in our lives affect those around us, especially our children. Many times, our children pick up our bad habits and even our flaws. But God's graces also are operative in our relationship with our children. Through these graces, we can demonstrate repentance, forgiveness, charity, and humility. God can use our past and our gifts so that we can raise children who glorify and serve Him. With God's grace, anything is possible!

Virtue in the Family

God promises a Savior to His people in Genesis 3:15. A universally accepted trait belonging to persons of good character is that they keep their promises. God is always faithful to His promises, and He created us to be like Him.

Keeping Our Promises

- Prayer activity:
 - God promises to be with us always. We should also spend time with Him in prayer for a few minutes every day.
 - Every day this week, spend time in prayer as a family, telling God you love Him, praising God for His goodness and power, telling Him you are sorry for your sins, and thanking Him for His grace needed to live a virtuous life.
 - End each time in prayer by praying Psalm 9:1–2 together.
- Practice remaining faithful to one another in your family. Have each of you pick a name of a family member out of a hat. Make a promise to help or pray for that person in some way this week and keep that promise.

Vocabulary Words for Your Children to Review

- **confess**
- **consequences**
- **mercy**
- **Savior**

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