



Lecture #11, Part 3

Course Information

1. Course Description

A study of the persons of The Father, The Son and The Holy Spirit and their unified teaching of the doctrines of the Bible.

Survey of the Doctrines of the Bible

V-The Doctrine of Man

1-Creation of Man

Gen. 1:27

2-Soul

Gen. 2:7

3-Image and Likeness of God

Gen. 1:26

4-Immaterial Part of Man

Heb. 4:12

5-Heart

Prov. 4:23

6-Conscience

Rom. 2:15

7-Temptation

1 John 2:16

8-Headship of Adam

Rom. 5:12

9-Marriage

Gen. 2:24

10-Divorce

Matt. 19:13

Introduction to Doctrinal Footnotes

These theological footnotes are divided into three sections **(1) explanation**, **(2) illustration**, and **(3) application**. When you have absorbed all the notes within one topic area, you will have completed a total survey of that doctrine.

V-The Doctrine of Man

7-Temptation

1 John 2:16

Explanation: Though all people are tempted differently according to their individual weaknesses, temptations follow patterns. They appeal to three fundamental areas of life:

- (1) the lust of the flesh (physical desires);
- (2) the lust of the eyes (personal desires); and
- (3) the pride of life (self-interests).

Illustration: When Satan caused the fall of the race, he appealed to each of these areas of weakness (**Gen. 3:6**). He also appealed to them when he tempted Christ (**Matt. 4:1-11**), who defied Satan's temptations by relying on the authority of the Scriptures.

Application: The Christian today should also depend on the Scriptures to defeat temptation.



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8-Headship of Adam

Rom. 5:12

Explanation: Adam, the federal head of the human race, was also the seminal head. The word *seminal* (**seed**) implies that everyone existed in seed form within Adam, and that he was the head of the human race. We were all in the body of Adam when he sinned, just as Levi was in the body of Abraham when he met Melchizedek (**Heb. 7:10**). In that sense, every member of the human race played a part in the fall of man. When Adam sinned, we were actually sinning with him. Adam was also the federal head of the race. In this sense, Adam's vote for sin is similar to the vote of a representative in the legislature (Congress, Senate or Parliament), who by his vote obligates his constituents for certain indebtedness. While Adam's disobedience resulted in the human race being plunged into sin, the obedience of Christ (the Second Adam) gives Christians the power to overcome sin in their lives.

9-Marriage

Gen. 2:24

Explanation: God's ideal plan for marriage is one man for one woman for one lifetime. God's pattern for marital happiness is evident when a man loves and leads his family, with children who obey and reverence their parents (**Eph. 6:1-4**), with a wife who respects and supports her husband's leadership (**Eph. 5:21-33**). A mutually supportive attitude must characterize both husband and wife if they are to succeed in building a harmonious home.

Illustration: Marriage is so important in the mind of God that it was the first of three divine institutions and was patterned to illustrate Christ's love for the church.

Application: Christians should therefore do their part in contributing to the success of the family.