### Sunday April, 21st, 2024 - Temptation & The Story of Adam & Eve

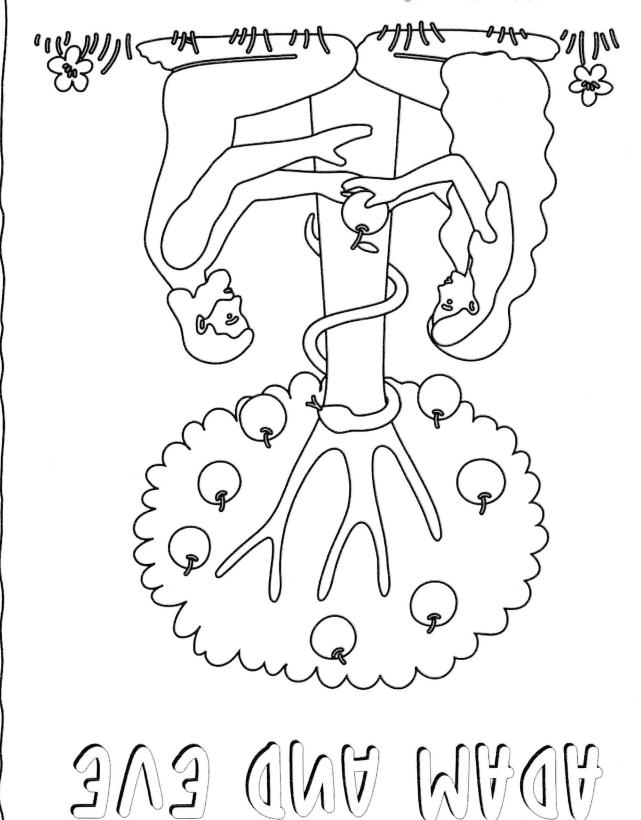
- Opening Prayer Our Father & Hail Mary
- Temptation
  - What does this word mean
    - Cookies Story
      - What Bible Story does this sound like
- Adam & Eve
  - Story of Adam and Eve
    - Questions about the story
      - Who tempted Adam and Eve to Disobey God
      - Who is the snake
      - What was God's Rule for Adam and Eve
      - Did God forgive Adam and Eve
    - Activity
      - Cut out the pictures
      - Put in order of the story
      - Staple for a book
    - I choose to obey God by ......

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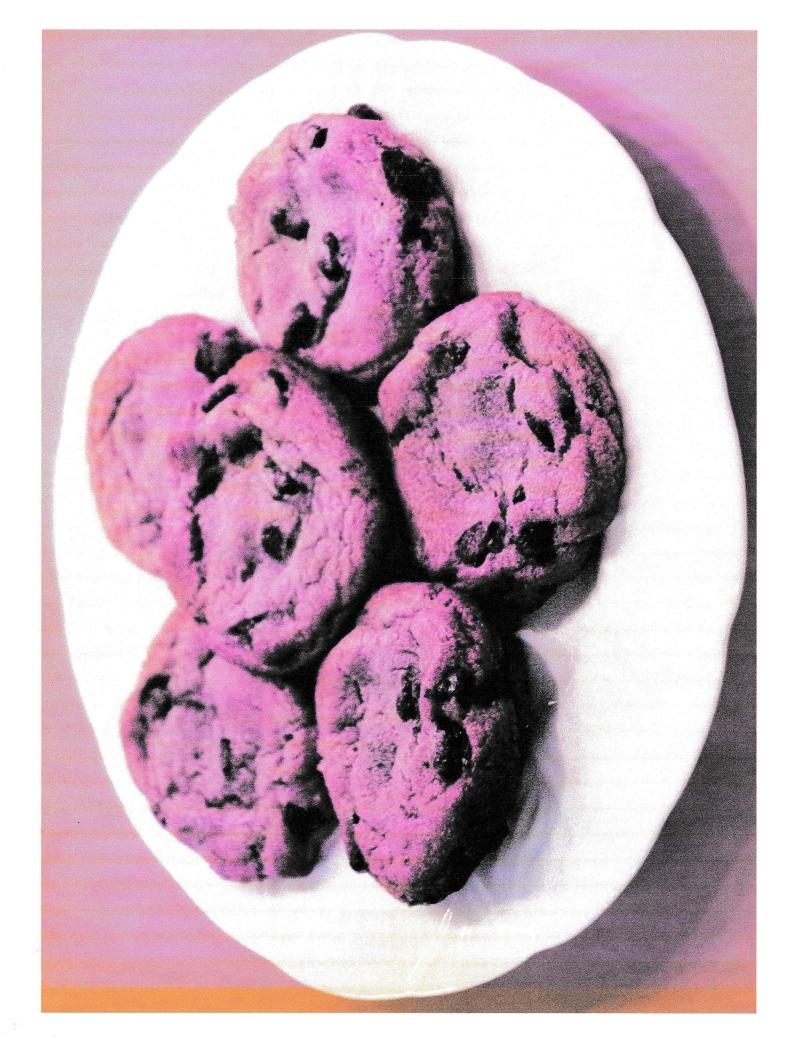
- Students worked independently to complete this prayer
- We then went over the prayer for those that needed a little guidance in completion
- This is to help the children practice their prayers they should know for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade at home as a study sheet
- We prayed together to practice one last time

### • The 10 Commandments

- Reviewed what these are and what each means
- The Seven Sacraments (To be continued next class)
  - Began to discuss the Sacraments
  - How many there are
  - How many we've already received
  - What is the next sacrament we will make
  - What are the other Sacraments



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Yum, yum... these cookies sure do look good. I am tempted to eat one right now. Temptation -that's a pretty big word, isn't it? What does it mean? Temptation is something that makes you
want to do or have something that you know you should not. Eating a cookie isn't necessarily a sin,
but it could be wrong in certain situations. Let me tell you a story that might help us to see how
eating a cookie could be wrong.

One day Jason walked into the kitchen just as his mother put the last of a freshly-baked batch of cookies on a platter. "Oh boy! Chocolate chip cookies!" said Jason as he reached for a cookie.

"Put that cookie back!" said Jason's mother. "We will eat dinner soon and snacking will spoil your appetite. You can eat some cookies after dinner."

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"Alright," Jason said as he put the cookie back on the platter. "I'm going to go outside and play with Bobby."

Jason and Bobby played for a while and then went inside to get a drink of water. The cookies were still on the kitchen table. "Look," said Bobby, "chocolate chip cookies! Let's eat one."

"My mother told me not to eat any cookies or it would spoil my dinner," said Jason.

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"Aw, come on," Bobby pleaded, "one cookie won't spoil your dinner."

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"Okay, I guess it wouldn't hurt to eat just one," Jason agreed. Just as they finished their cookie, Jason's

sister, Susie, walked into the kitchen. "Mom made some cookies and they are really good. Do you want one?" So they all ate a cookie together.

That night at dinner Jason wasn't very hungry. His mother noticed that he wasn't eating. "You aren't eating your dinner. Is something wrong?" mother asked.

"No, I'm just not very hungry," Jason answered

"You disobeyed me and ate cookies before dinner, didn't you?"

"Yes, but Bobby said that it wouldn't really spoil my appetite and we only ate one... or two" Jason answered sheepishly.

"I am very disappointed," mother said. "Because you have disobeyed me, you can't go anywhere with your friends on Saturday. You will stay at home and help me clean the house."

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Does that story sound familiar? It should, because it is very much like the story of Adam and Eve which we find in Genesis, the very first book of the Bible. God gave Adam and Eve a beautiful home in the Garden of Eden. They had all that they needed, but God expected them to follow his rules.

He told them that they could eat the fruit from the trees in the garden, "But you must not eat the fruit from the tree in the middle of the garden. If you eat its fruit, you will die."

Then along came Satan. "You won't die," he told Eve. "God doesn't want you to eat the fruit from that tree because he knows that if you do, you will be as wise as he is, knowing good and evil." So Eve ate the fruit and gave some to Adam. When God asked them if they had eaten from the tree, they began to play the "blame game." Adam blamed Eve and Eve blamed Satan, but God still punished them for the wrong that they had done. God made them leave the garden.

Did you know that Satan even tempted Jesus to do things that were wrong? When he did, Jesus answered him with Scripture. That is a good way to defeat Satan, isn't it? Read the Bible and when Satan comes around, just say, "No" to temptation.

Father, we want to be like Jesus. Help us to say, "No" to Satan when he tempts us to do wrong. Amen.

**Story:** God had placed Adam and Eve in a special garden that was very beautiful. In it were fish, animals, and lovely plants and trees. There also was plenty of food to eat. Adam and Eve worked every day taking care of the garden. They talked with God each day as well. God loved Adam and Eve, and they loved God.

God had only one rule for Adam and Eve. He told them not to eat the fruit of a certain tree. One day, Eve saw the tree from which she was not supposed to eat. It was lovely and the fruit was beautiful. Satan, God's enemy, used a very sly animal called a serpent to lie to Eve about the fruit and about God. Even though she knew God's rule, Eve chose to eat from the tree. She also gave Adam a piece of the fruit, and he ate it.

Suddenly, Adam and Eve knew they had done something very wrong. They felt afraid and sad. They even tried to hide so God could not find them, but no one can hide from God! God knew what they had done. God asked Adam, "Where are you?" even though He knew where they were.

God was trying to help Adam understand what he'd done and what had happened because of what he did.

Adam said, "I am hiding because I am afraid." God was sad that Adam and Eve had disobeyed His rule. He told the man and the woman that they would have to leave the garden. Still, God did not stop loving and caring for Adam and Eve. God made clothes for them. He loved Adam and Eve even though they had disobeyed Him.

God loves us, too, even when we disobey Him. We don't need to try to hide from God but should admit to Him we've done wrong whenever we realize we've disobeyed Him. We also should tell Him we're sorry for what we've done.

### Cut out the pictures and put them in order on the story board.

## Adam & Eve

Genesis 2-3



One day the snake told Eve to eat the fruit.



Adam and Eve lived in the garden of Eden.



Eve ate the fruit



God made them leave the garden and put an angel at the gate.



God told them not to eat fruit from the tree in the middle of the garden.

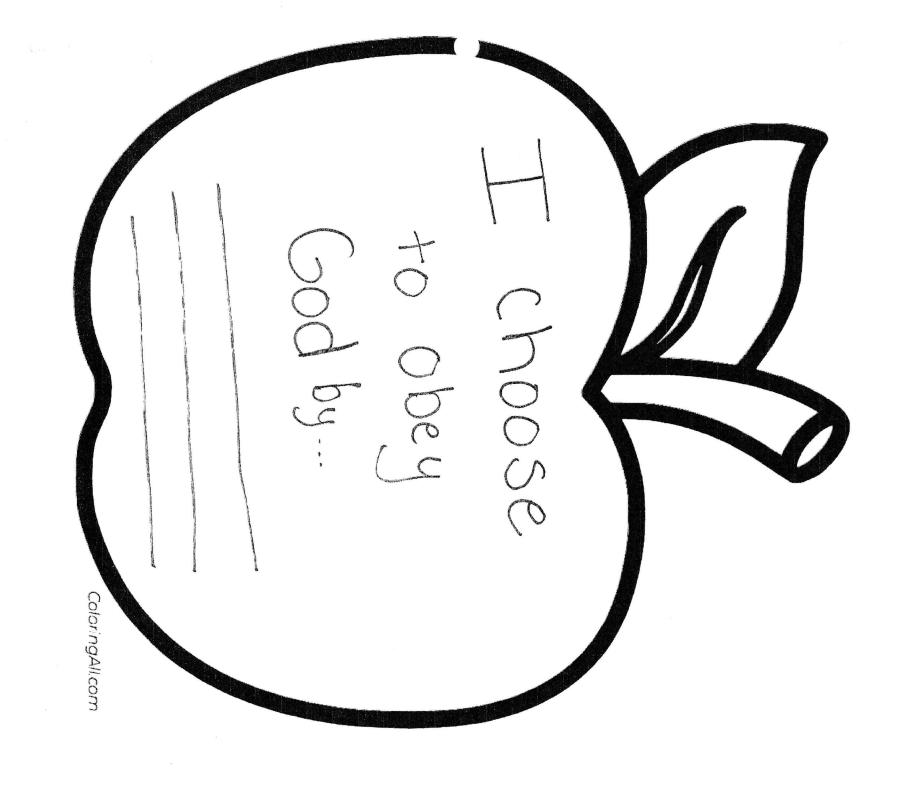


Eve shared the fruit with Adam.



Adam and Eve knew they had done wrong They had disobeyed God.

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