



MESSAGES TO PARENTS AND STUDENTS

For Youth:

The following are sample text messages, Tweets, or Facebook statuses you can send to youth in order to promote the meeting and prepare them for it.

- Looking forward to continuing our journey through God's story this week with Genesis 3:1-11, talking about the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil.
- Bring your questions and acting skills.

For Parents:

The following are sample text messages to encourage conversation between parents and youth, along with a follow-up email. The goal is to equip parents to encourage their teens to embrace God's mission in the world.

- We will be talking about the Garden of Eden narrative, looking at the story of Adam, Eve and the serpent, and talking about how our actions can wound our relationship with God. Engage with your teen about some of the possible misconceptions about the fall.
- Read Genesis 3:1-11 with your teen. Talk with them some of their questions regarding the fall narrative.

Dear Parents,

This week we started a new series entitled "When Our Story Broke." Throughout the series we will look at how our decisions affect our relationship with God, creation, and other people. This week we read the story of the fall in the Garden of Eden. We spent time discovering how we, like Adam and Eve, hurt our relationship with God when we think we know better than God does.

Use the following questions to spark conversation with your teen on this topic:

- Is being tempted the same as acting on that temptation?
- What can we do when we feel tempted?
- How might our family help each other out in areas where we are struggling with temptation? How can we encourage one another?

Let me know if you have any questions as we continue through our series. Thank you for allowing us to invest in the life of your teen.