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The Road To Poor Choices:

Adam and Eve were destroyed because of _____.

Circumstance - A situation in which you have no control.

Consequence - A situation that is the result of poor choices.

Poor choices have _____.

Satan's consequences:

Eve's consequences:

Adam's consequences:

How to identify the road to poor choices:

Do you _____ God's Word?

Do you _____ God's boundaries?

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Matters for Reflection and Discussion:

1. Describe what you think is the best part of creation before sin. What appeals to you the most about Paradise before the Fall?
2. How does your sin (poor choices) affect those around you, especially your family? Be specific about your family situation.
3. Consider 1 John 2:16: "For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world." Compare this with Satan's tactics in the Garden. How are they similar? Different?
4. What poor choices may be destroying your family right now? What do you need to change? Again, be specific. This is a very deeply personal question. You may not want to share it aloud. Or you may want to find a trusted friend to help you grow in this area.
5. Discuss the consequences of shame and blame in the case of Adam and Eve. How have these two consequences been displayed in your own poor choices?
6. Are you committed to reading and studying God's Word on a regular basis? How can you grow in this?
7. What boundaries has God placed upon us that you struggle with? How can you grow in this area?
8. For further study, read and discuss the following Scriptures: 1 Peter 3:1-7; Ephesians 5:22-33; Romans 6:20-23.