

## LESSON 4: THE PROMISE OF A SAVOIR

God created Angels before the creation of the universe and out of love. He gave them the gift of free will so they could make a choice. God rewarded the good, obedient angels with the joy and love of His kingdom. Some angels refused to serve God; and that is why God threw all bad angels (devils) into Hell.

Adam and Eve were created for the everlasting joys of God's friendship. They lived in the Garden of Eden. When the devil tricked Eve by lying to her, Eve broke her promise to God and tempted Adam to break his promise too. This effect of the original sin carries on to all generations, including us.

God promised a Savior who would make up for Adam and Eve's sin and re-open the gates of Heaven. (Gen 3:14-15)

At the coming of the Savior, God gave us the sacrament of Baptism that washes away the original sin and pours God's life back into the soul.

Sin makes us sad and afraid and it hurts our friendship with God. Obedience and love make us happy, and they strengthen our friendship with God.

### Words to Know:

**Sin:** any wrong we do on purpose. Sin turns us away from God.

**Original Sin:** the first sin, committed when Adam and Eve disobeyed God. We are all born with original sin on our souls.

**Baptism:** the sacrament which takes away original sin. It gives us God's grace, incorporates us into Christ and makes us children of God.

**Savior:** Jesus Christ, who died to save us from all sin.

**The Fall:** the sin of our first parents, Adam, and Eve.

The three Archangels mentioned in the Holy Bible are:

**Michael** – Protector of souls (Warrior, fear not)

**Gabriel** – Messenger (God is my strength)

**Raphael** – Healer; medicine of God (God is my health)

### Questions and Answers

1	<i>What is sin?</i> Sin is an offence against God by disobeying His Law.
2	<i>What is original sin?</i> Original sin is the sin which mankind committed in Adam, its head, and which every human being receives from Adam through natural descent.

3	<p><i>How is the original sin taken away?</i> Original sin is taken away by Holy Baptism. Baptism is the first sacrament we receive at our tender age.</p>
4	<p><i>What happens when we receive the Sacrament of Baptism?</i> When we are baptized, the original sin is washed away and we become Children of God. Baptism is a sacrament of initiation. It welcomes us into the community of Christian believers. It offers us a new life in which we become the adopted children of God, followers of Christ, temples of the Holy Spirit and opens us to salvation and eternal life with God.</p>
5	<p><i>Who are the Angels?</i> God created other creatures, heavenly beings smarter and powerful than us. These creatures have no bodies but they are only pure spirits. They are called angels. Angels are holy and they are in the presence of God. Each one of us has an angel given by God to guide and protect us from the evil one.</p>

**Fill in the Blanks:**

1. Adam and Eve lived in the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ tempted Eve in the Garden of Eden.
3. God said to the serpent "I will put enmity between you and the woman" This woman is \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The woman's offspring referred by God who will crush Satan's head is \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The angel Gabriel told Mary that she would have a son and to name him "Jesus" which means \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Sin committed by Adam and Eve and passed to us through natural descent is called \_\_\_\_\_.
7. This sin is washed away by the Sacrament of \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Verse John 3:16 says

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