

The Sin Principle

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Genesis 3.1-7

God said, "... from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you must not eat, for in the day that you eat of it **you will surely die.**"

Satan said, "**You will not surely die.** For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

Adam and Eve ate. Did they die? Who was right?

Let's talk about what we might call *the sin principle*...

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When Adam and Eve ate, here's what happened...

- Spirit: died _____
- Soul: _____ to _____
- Body: because of sin, would _____ and _____

This is a seemingly hopeless situation... but because of God's love he gave us hope and promised one who would take away sin... one who would, in effect, reverse the sin principle with...

The Salvation Principle

Through faith in Jesus Christ...

- Spirit: We become _____
(Justification)
- Soul: We begin the process of getting _____ and _____
(Sanctification or becoming _____)
- Body: Ultimately, a _____ (Glorification)

***One of these two principles is at work in your life today!
Which is it? Even though you may be attracted by the
salvation principle, it does not come into play until you place
authentic faith in Jesus Christ.***