



## TEACHER NOTES FOR CHAPTER 3 REBELLION IN THE RANKS

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<b>THEME</b>	The fall and its consequences
<b>HOMEWORK BIBLE READING</b>	Genesis 3 & Romans 1:21-32
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### OVERVIEW

In this lesson students are given the opportunity to explore the problem that the Bible teaches the human race has. It is a fundamental chapter for the students to contend with as it leads to their understanding of the solution that the rest of the Bible's story pursues as it follows God's work in human history.

The consequences of the fall is the major focus in this chapter. The activities seek to challenge students to consider the problems in our world today and to recognise that they are a result of Adam and Eve's rebellion against God.

The activities in this chapter allow the students to reflect upon the actions and emotions that Adam and Eve experienced in the fall, rather than completing comprehension tasks.

### TIPS

Remember that these tasks do not have to be completed in a traditional textbook method. Students could be encouraged to read through the content of this chapter alone, completing questions at their own pace. A class discussion would then allow all students to share their ideas and questions about this topic.

The introduction to this chapter, exploring the problems of the world today, could also be taught in a number of ways. News programs, newspaper headlines, a class brainstorm or a collage of images could all be used to immerse the students into the consequences of sin evident in our world today.

To help the students personalise the teaching of the chapter use the activities to explore questions such as: Would you be happy for everyone to know all of the things that you have ever thought? When you look at a group photo that you are in where does your eye go first? What makes you angry about the world?

On pages 38-40 you are encouraged to follow the story of the rebellion with the students. This is important because many of them will have never had the passage broken down for them before. When this is completed, the following pages explore the results of the fall upon Adam and Eve and on us today. You should attempt to bring out how dramatically the view of these first humans changes in the Bible's story. From those who were naked, shameless (in a good way) and dwelling with God, they become people who not only feel the need to cover up, they also don't want to come before their maker.

It is this brokenness that the Bible will pursue a solution to. Without the students grasping hold of this brokenness they will not have a deep appreciation for the solution!

If you run overtime on this chapter that is fine. It would be a shame to move on before you felt that you had comprehensively explored this issue with them.

## COMMON QUESTIONS STUDENTS ASK

- Why did God make it more painful for women to give birth?
- Why did God tell them they would die if he is a God of love?
- Will we be naked in heaven?

*We would love to hear what questions students are asking in response to the content of this chapter. Please let us know at [admin@biblicalturningpoints.com.au](mailto:admin@biblicalturningpoints.com.au).*

## RESOURCES TO HELP YOU TEACH THIS CHAPTER

*If you know of any websites or resources that would assist teachers with brining this chapter to life please let us know at [admin@biblicalturningpoints.com.au](mailto:admin@biblicalturningpoints.com.au).*