

Reflection Questions: Turning the Gem

Scripture: Genesis 3:8-15

1. Where do you turn for different perspectives, context and/or commentary on scripture? Do you have favorites that you return to again and again? What makes them your favorites?
2. Read the scripture lesson again – this time use at least 2 translations that are different than the one you generally read. Use your favorite Bible app or you can find multiple translations here (at the top of the page, just choose a different translation):
<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis%203:8-15&version=NIV>
Did you notice anything different or hear a different tone or theme, in your reading?
3. What lens(es) do you use (unconsciously and consciously) as you read the Bible? You might consider where you live, your education, religious upbringing, gender, Enneagram type, profession – the list is endless.
4. Choose just one or two lens(es). How do these serve you well in everyday living? When do they not work as well? Now, consider reading Scripture – how do these lenses serve you well and how/when is are they not helpful or an impediment?
5. As you grow in your faith and expand your understanding of scripture, what lens would you like to try on when you read scripture? Which one(s) would you like to remove? Why? How can your FHPC family help in this pursuit?