



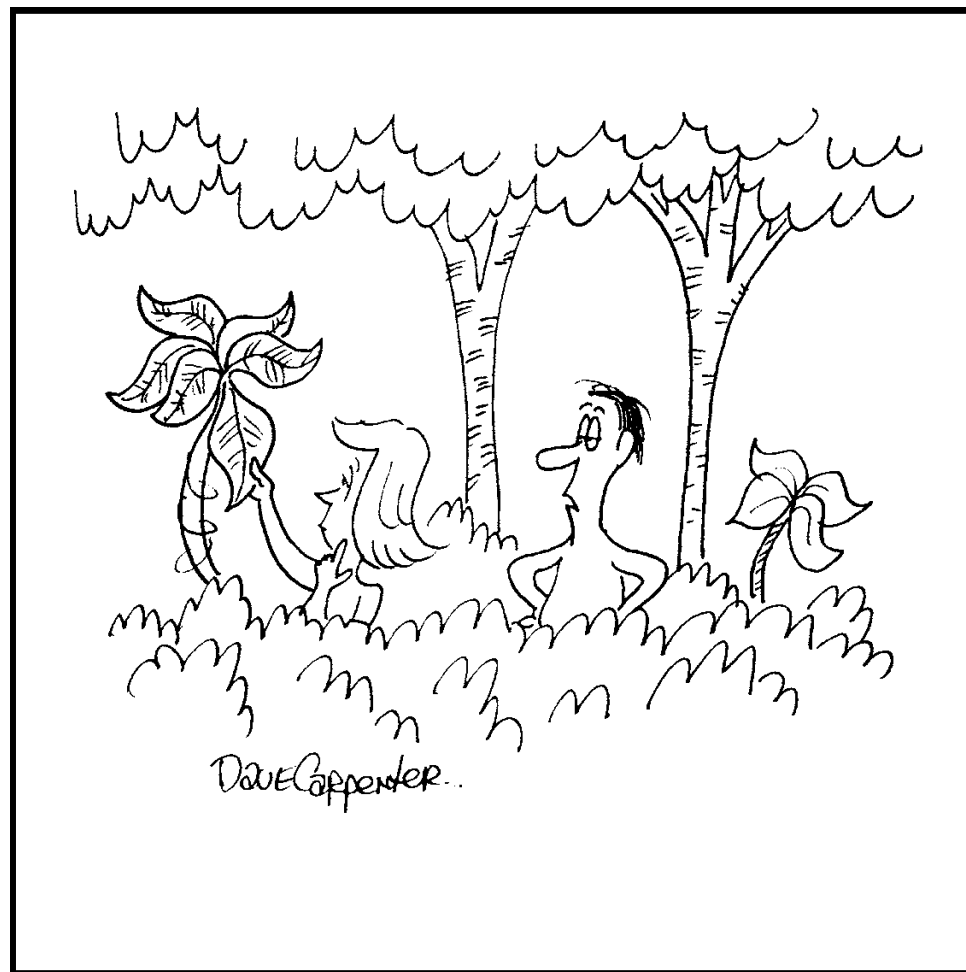
Sanctuary

YOU ARE AWESOME, OH
GOD, IN YOUR SANCTUARY;
THE GOD OF ISRAEL GIVES
POWER AND STRENGTH TO
HIS PEOPLE. PRAISE BE
TO GOD!

- PSALMS 68:35

Welcome to
Sierra Community Church

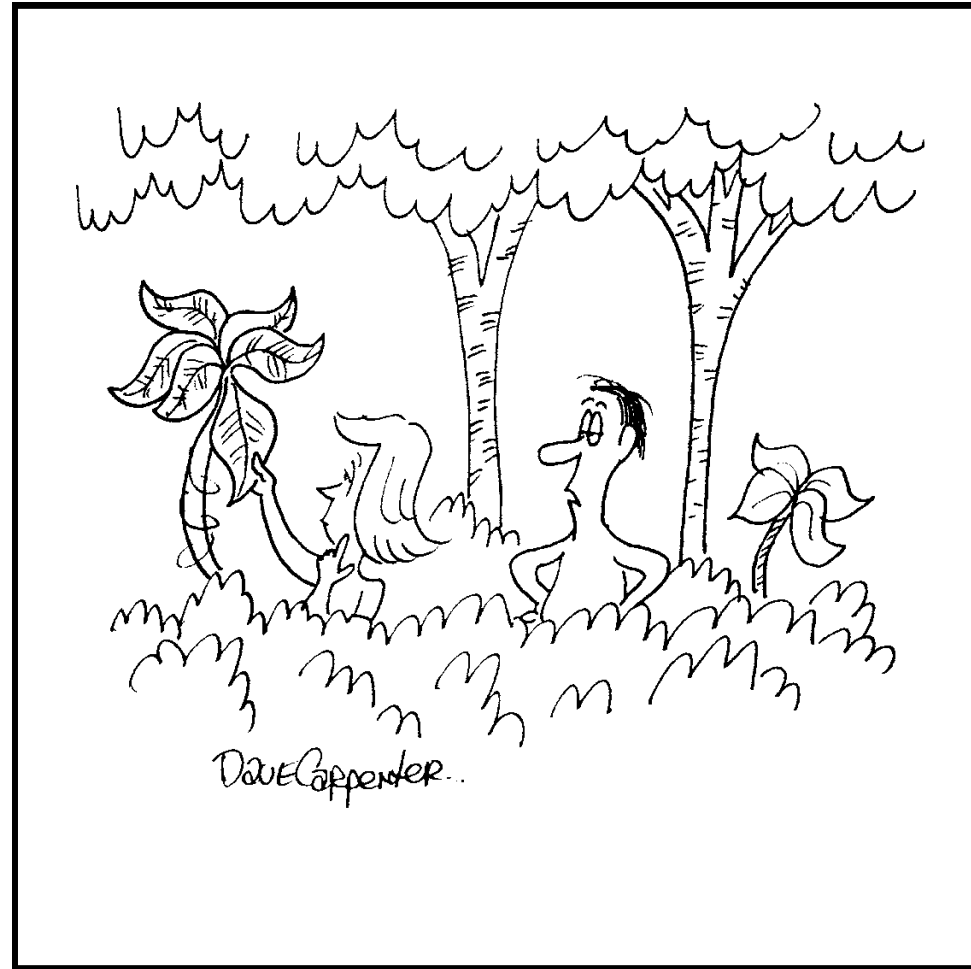
**ADAMS FIRST
NO-WIN
QUESTION.**



*Not far from
the garden...*



**ADAMS FIRST
NO-WIN
QUESTION.**

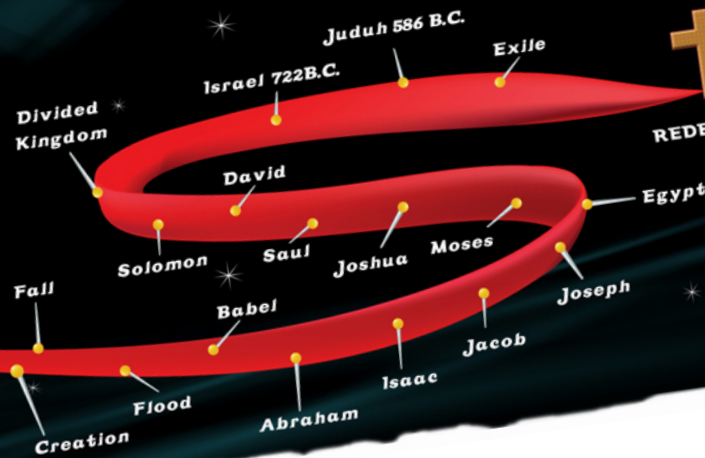


*Not far from
the garden...*

**WILL THIS LEAF MAKE
ME LOOK FAT?**

H
I
S
T
O
R
Y

IT ALL BELONGS TO GOD



REDEMPTION

The Church

1,000 - Year
Reign of Christ
Tribulation

Glory



For from him and through him
and to him are all things. To
him be the glory forever! Amen - Rom. 11:36



**How did all
this get here?**



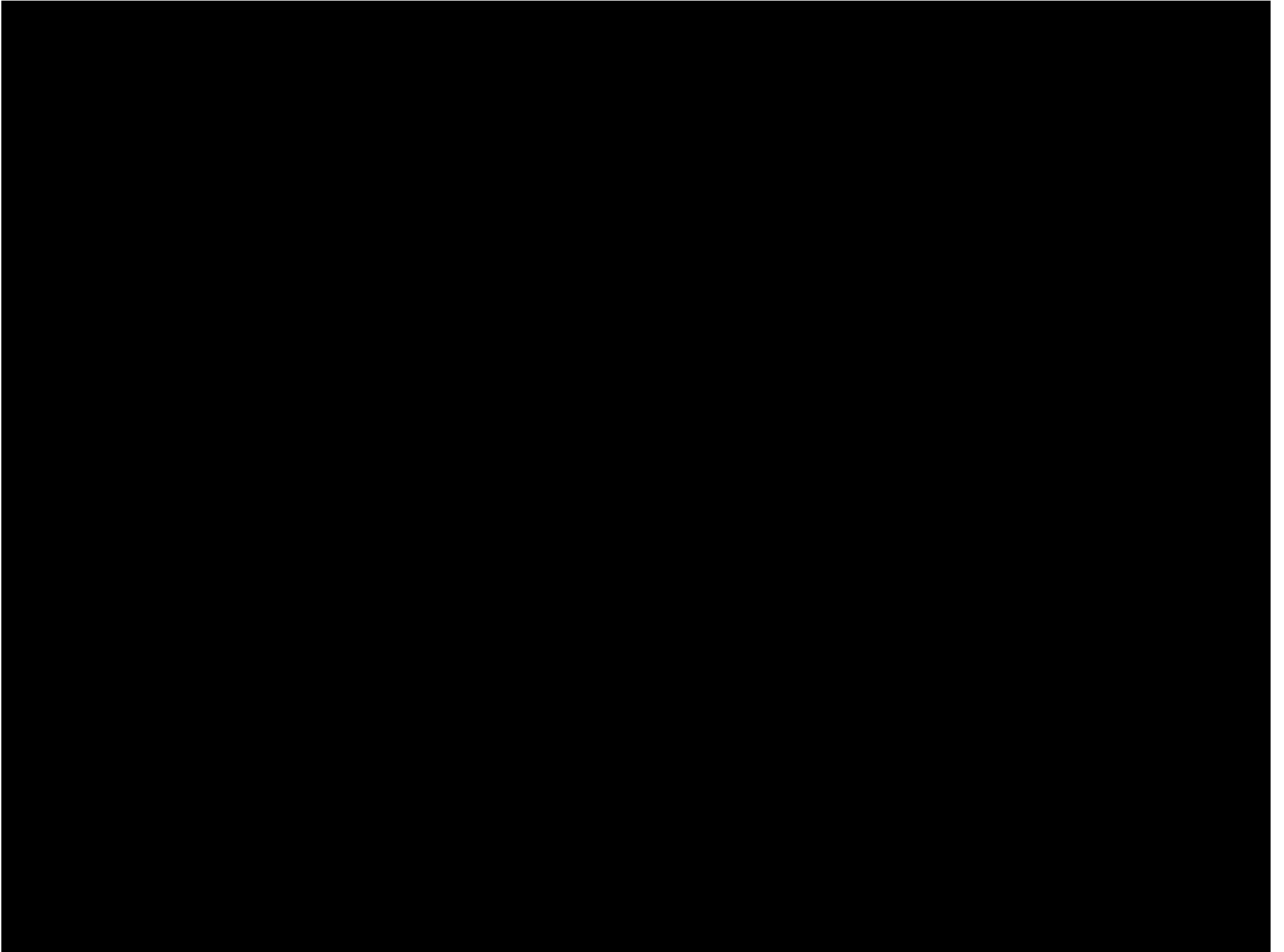
*In the beginning
God created the
heavens and the earth.*

- Genesis 1:1

**How did all
this get here?**

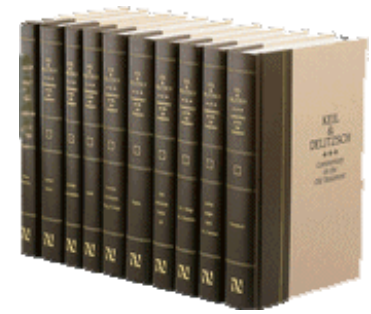
Hebrews 2:10 ...for whom
and through whom everything
exists.

Hebrews 11:3 we understand that
the universe was formed at God's
command, so that what is seen was
not made out of what was visible.



“The man, whom God had appointed lord of the earth and its inhabitants, was endowed with everything requisite for the development of his nature and the fulfillment of his destiny.”

*Not far from
the garden...*



“**Commentary on the Old Testament**” by Keil and Delitzsch, pg. 57

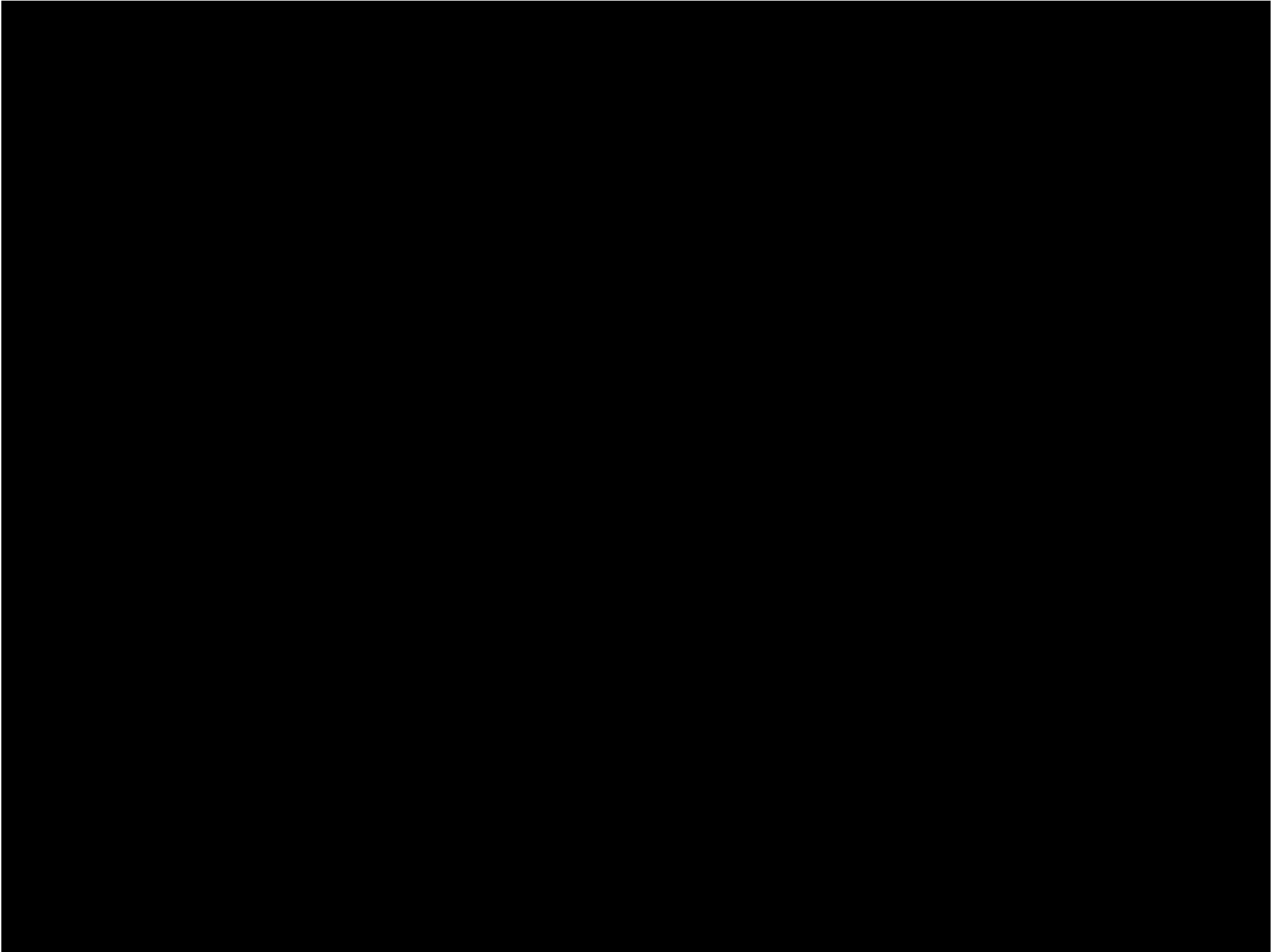
What went wrong?

How did we get from

“very good”, to this?

*Not far from
the garden...*





Genesis 3 is one of the most vitally important chapters in all the Bible... without it, little else in Scripture or in life itself would make sense. Genesis 3 explains the condition of the universe and the state of humanity. It explains why the world has so many problems. It explains the human dilemma.

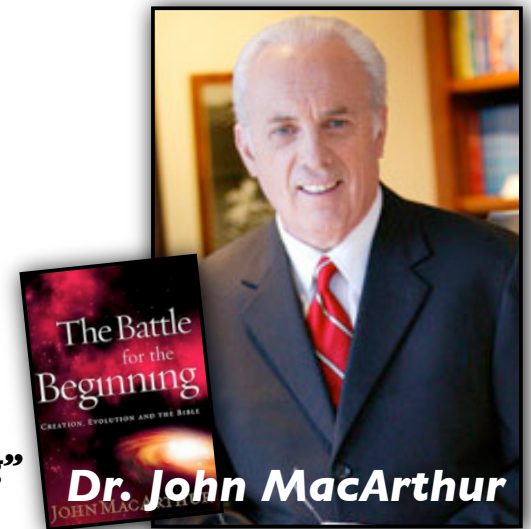
*Not far from
the garden...*



It explains why we need a Savior. And it explains what God is doing in history... Every world-view that lacks this foundation is utterly and hopelessly wrong... Genesis 3 explains how we got from that paradise of unimaginable perfection to where we are today.

*Not far from
the garden...*

“The Battle for the Beginning”
by John MacArthur, pg. 195



*Not far from
the garden...*



THE SERPENT COMES IN 3D

*Not far from
the garden...*



THE SERPENT COMES IN 3D

1. DOUBT - *“Did God really say...”*

*Not far from
the garden...*

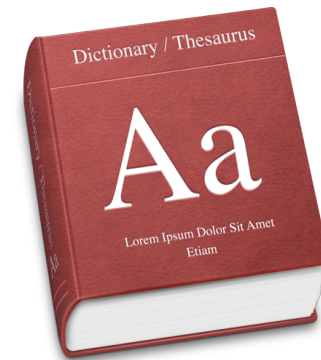


THE SERPENT COMES IN 3D

1. DOUBT - “*Did God really say...*”

KJV / ASV / RSV / AB

= *subtle*



adjective

- so delicate or precise as to be difficult to analyze or describe
- making use of clever and indirect methods to achieve something

THE SERPENT COMES IN 3D

1. DOUBT - *“Did God really say...”*

2. DENIAL - *“You will not surely die...”*

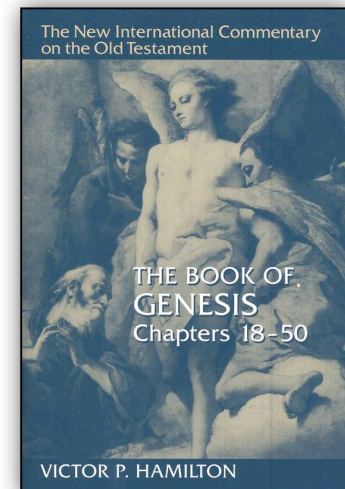
*Not far from
the garden...*

A branch with several green leaves is visible in the bottom left corner of the slide, partially overlapping the text.

2. DENIAL - *“You will not surely die...”*

“...by this one statement of the snake God has moved from beneficent provider to cruel oppressor.”

*Not far from
the garden...*



“New International Commentary on the Old Testament” by Victor P. Hamilton, pg. 189

THE SERPENT COMES IN 3D

1. DOUBT - *“Did God really say...”*

2. DENIAL - *“You will not surely die...”*

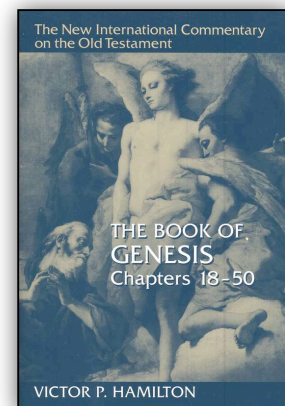
3. DECEPTION - *“you will be like God...”*

*Not far from
the garden...*

A decorative graphic in the bottom left corner showing a dark brown branch with several bright green, glossy leaves.

“the serpent’s insinuation is the possibility of an extension of human existence beyond the limits set by God at creation, an increase of life not only in the sense of pure intellectual enrichment but also familiarity with and power, over mysteries that lie beyond man.”

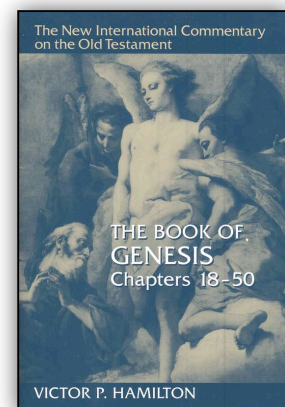
*Not far from
the garden...*



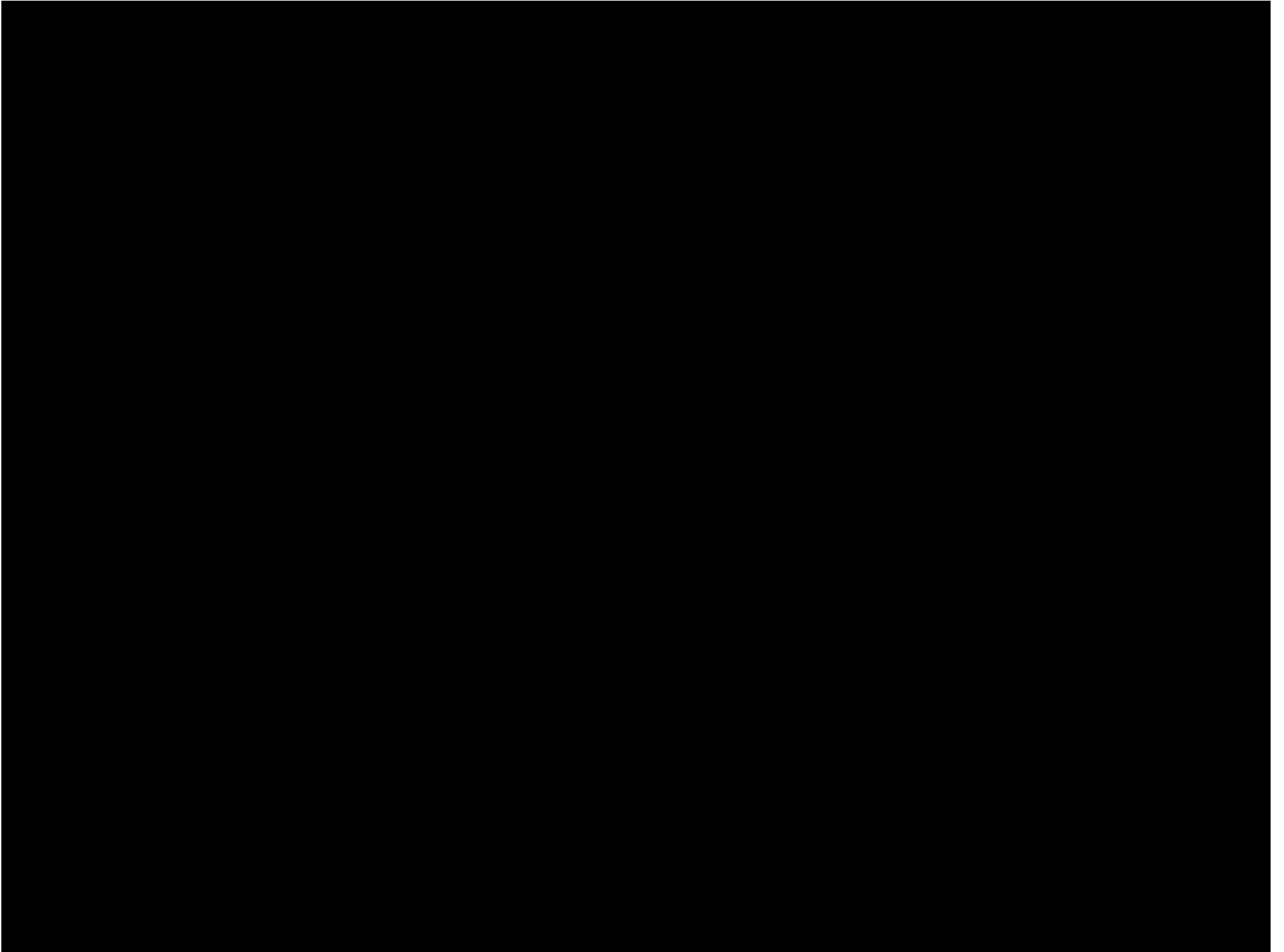
“*New International Commentary on the Old Testament*” by Victor P. Hamilton, pg. 190

“eating the fruit is a wrong that brings an advantage, and a gain which brings a disadvantage.”

*Not far from
the garden...*



“*New International Commentary on the Old Testament*” by Victor P. Hamilton, pg. 190



FIRST FAILURE

Genesis 3:2-3 The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, ³ but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.'

*Not far from
the garden...*



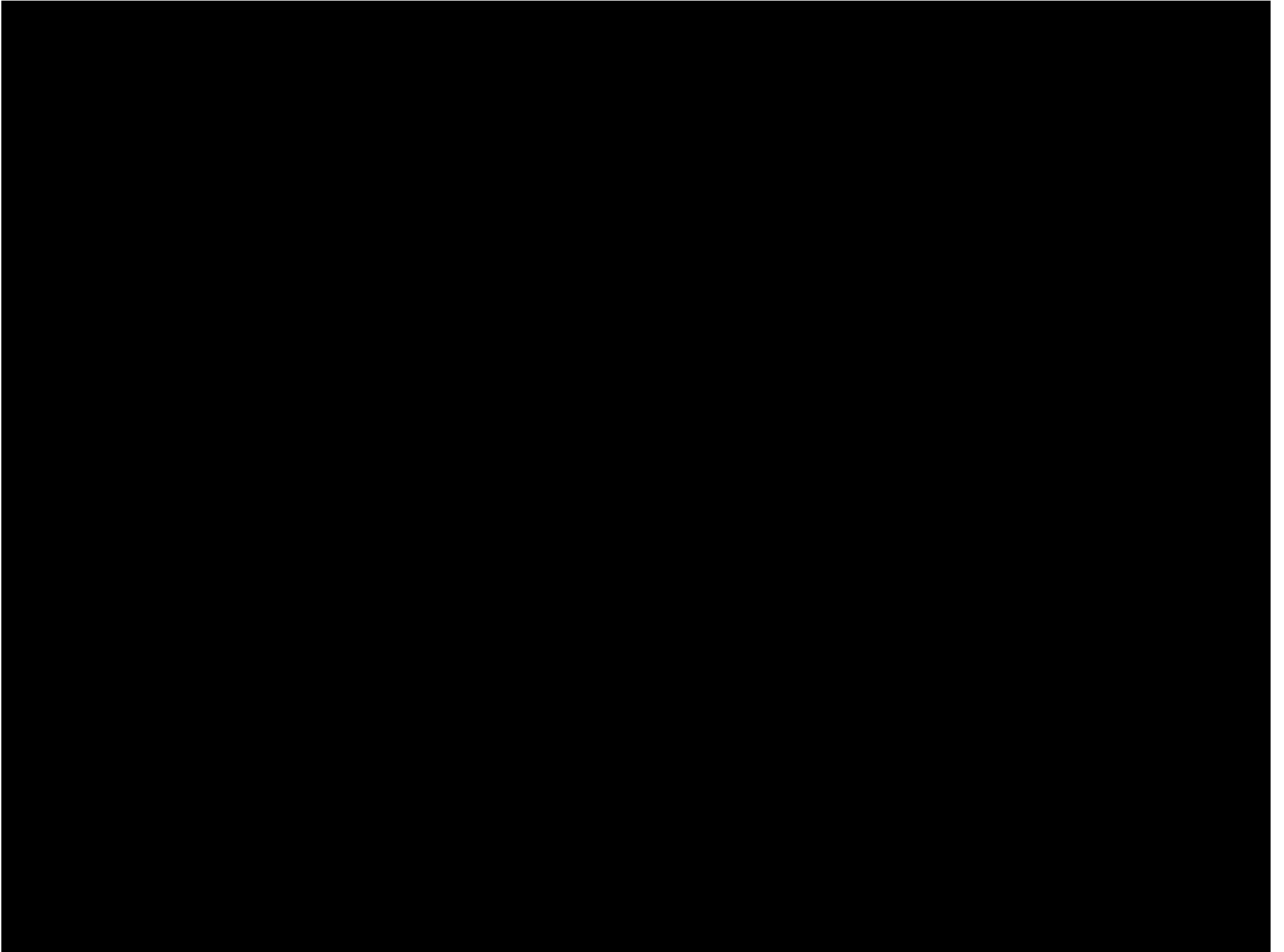
FIRST FAILURE

Genesis 3:2-3 The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, ³ but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.'

Refusal to Represent

*Not far from
the garden...*







BLAME

GAME

Adam: “The woman...”
& “You”

Eve: “The serpent...”

*Not far from
the garden...*





BLAME

GAME

**You too can play the
“Blame Game”, it’s easy
all you have to do is:**

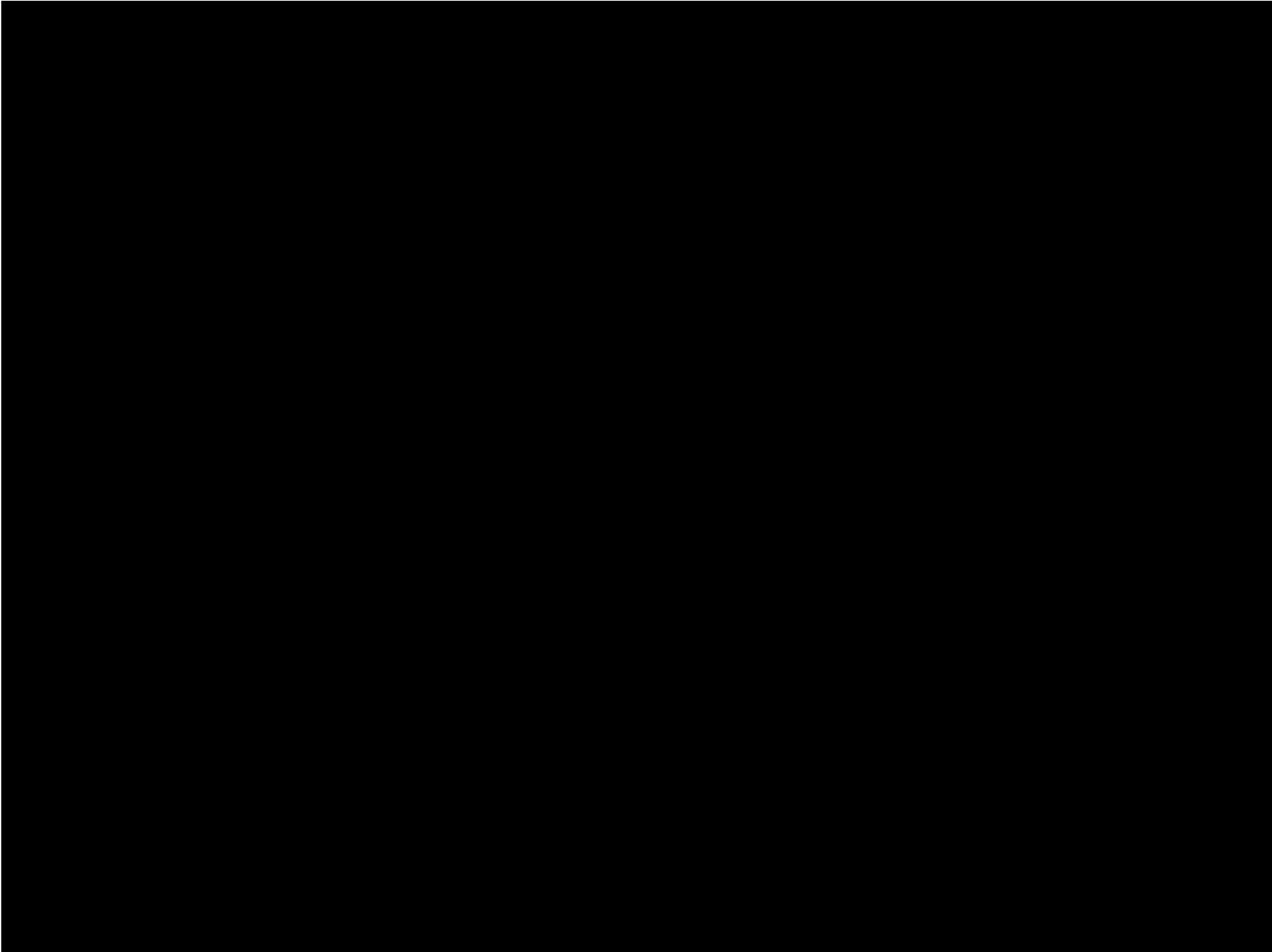
Make an excuse!

Deny the truth!

Blame someone else!

*Not far from
the garden...*

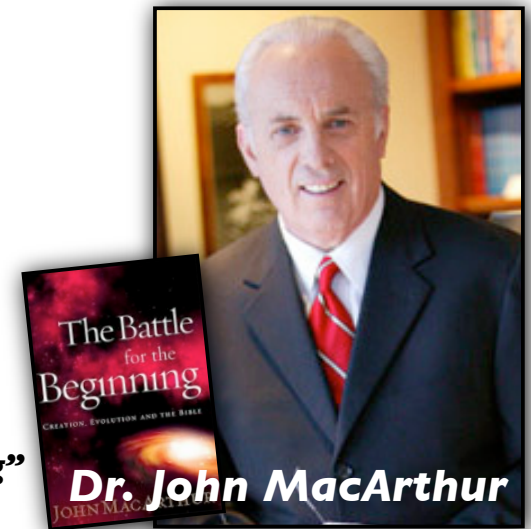





...the universal moral depravity of human beings is abundantly clear. G.K. Chesterton wryly referred to the doctrine of original sin as “the only part of Christian theology which can really be proved.”

*Not far from
the garden...*

“The Battle for the Beginning”
by John MacArthur, pg. 196



IT ALL BELONGS TO GOD



*For from him and through him
and to him are all things. To
him be the glory forever! Amen - Rom. 11:36*