

So the Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and all wild animals! You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life."



"And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; He will crush your head, and you will strike His heel."



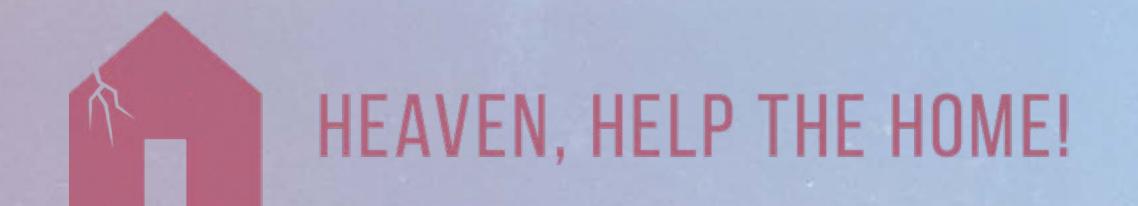
To the woman He said, "I will make your pains in childbearing very severe; with painful labor you will give birth to children. Your desire will be for your husband, and he will rule over you."



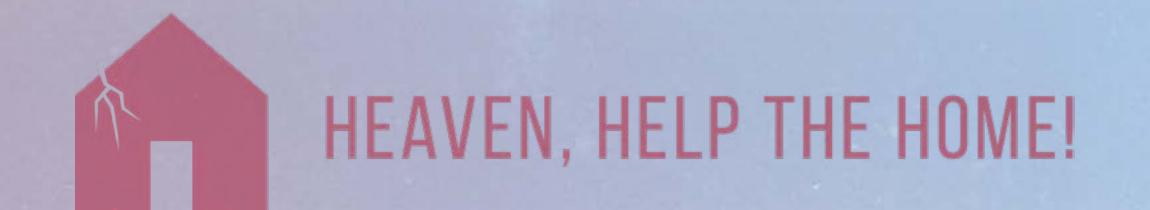
To Adam He said, "Because you listened to your wife and ate fruit from the tree about which I commanded you, 'You must not eat from it,"



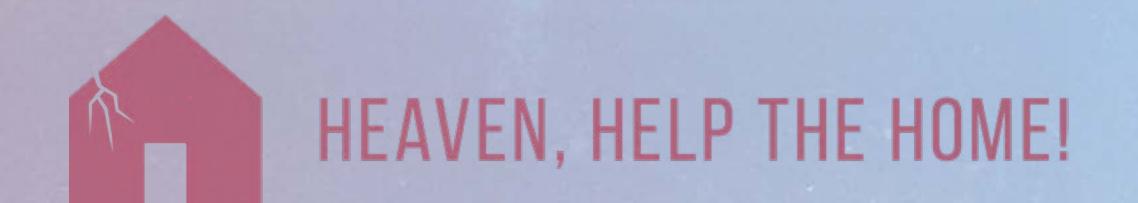
"Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat food from it all the days of your life."



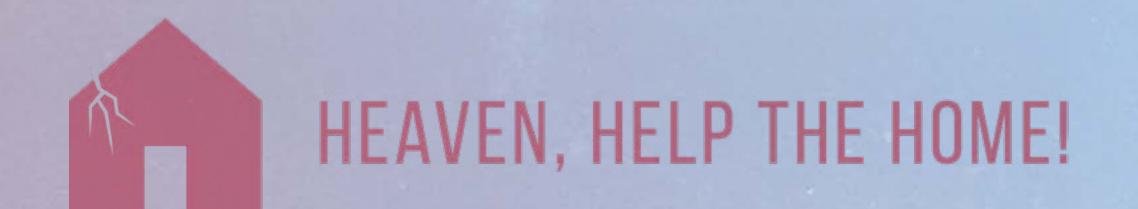
"It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field."



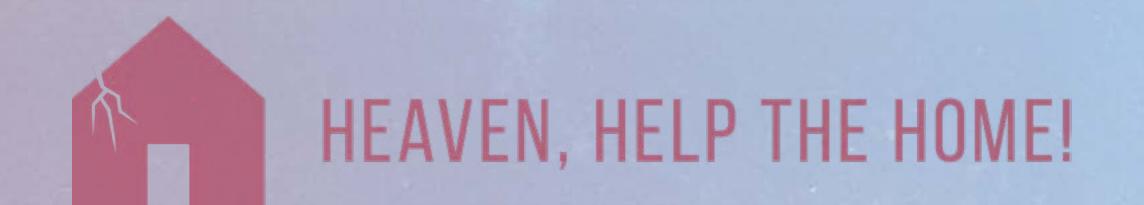
"By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return."



# Adam named his wife Eve, because she would become the mother of all the living.



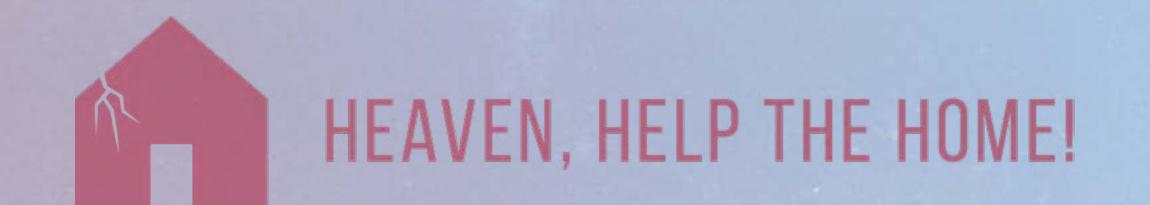
### The Lord God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them.



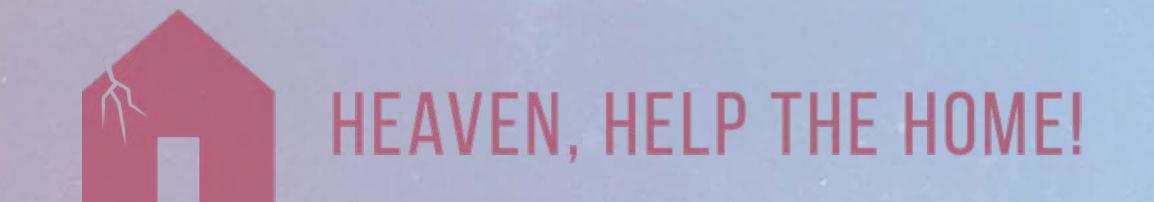
And the Lord God said, "The man has now become like one of us, knowing good and evil. He must not be allowed to reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life and eat, and live forever."



So the Lord God banished him from the Garden of Eden to work the ground from which he had been taken.

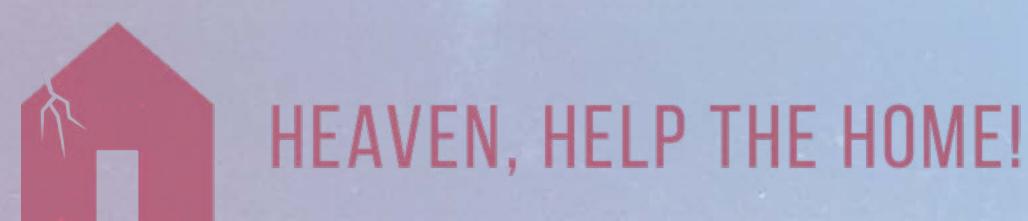


After He drove the man out, He placed on the east side of the Garden of Eden cherubim and a flaming sword flashing back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life.





#### The Judgments on Creation



# On the Serpent (3:14,15)



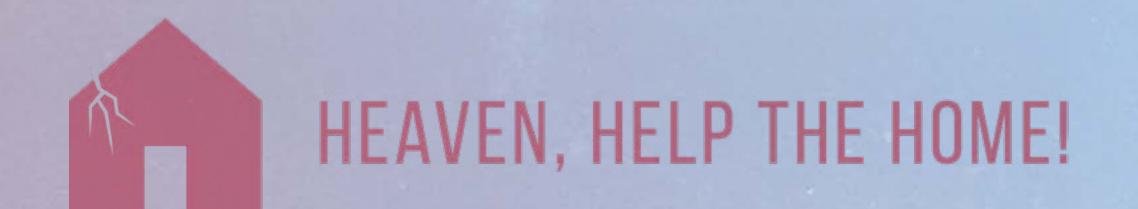
"The human race, 'her offspring,' and the serpent race, 'your offspring,' will be forever at loggerheads. It implies repeated attacks by both sides to injure the other."

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#### "The curse envisages a long struggle between good and evil, with mankind eventually triumphing."

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# On the Woman (3:16)



#### On the Man (3:17–19)



"The punishment is not work itself, but rather the hardship and frustration that will accompany the man's labor."



"The woman's punishment struck at the deepest root of her being as wife and mother; the man's strikes at the innermost nerve of his life: his work, his activity, and provision for sustenance."

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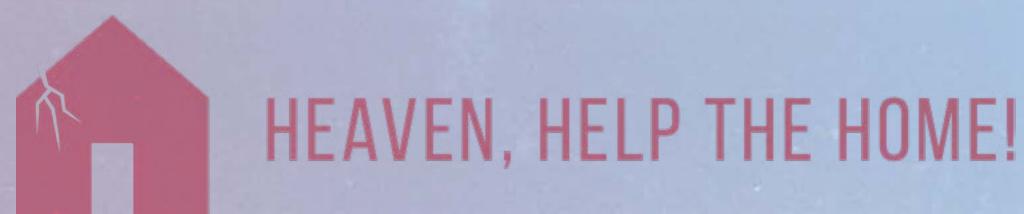
# "The Fall spawned the twin evils of woman's suffering in labor and of man's laboring in suffering.

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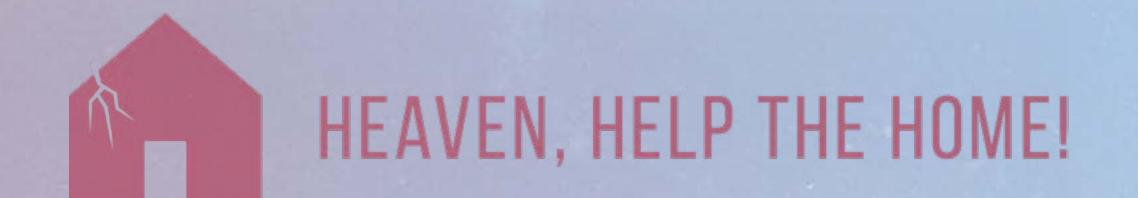


### The Judgment on Marriage (3:16b)



"If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must rule over it."

GENESIS 4:7



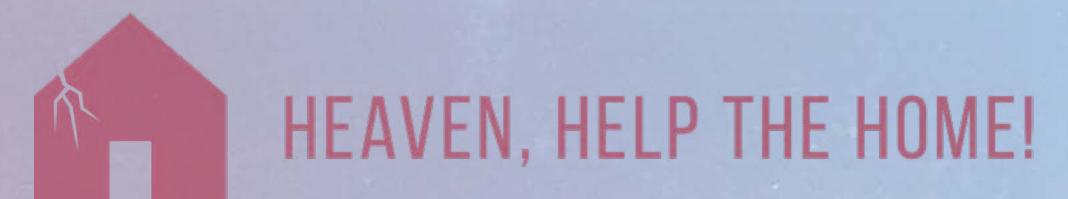
"Under the curse, those who were created to be one flesh will find themselves tearing each other apart. The woman at her worst would be a nemesis to the man, and the man at his worst would dominate the woman."

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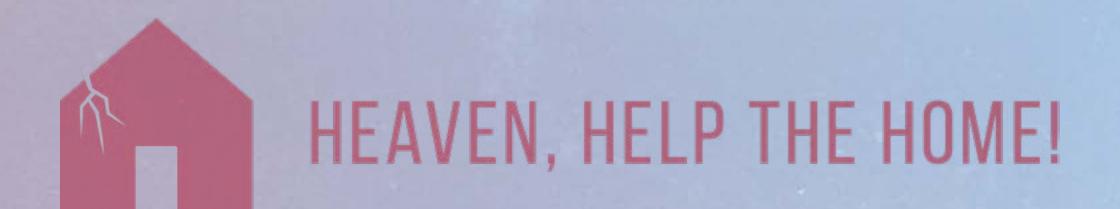
"Fallen Eve controls her relationships. She refuses to be vulnerable. And if she cannot secure her relationships, then she kills her heart's longing for intimacy so that she will be safe and in control."

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"She becomes a woman who doesn't need anyone — especially a man. Behind it all is a simple truth: women dominate and control because they fear their vulnerability."

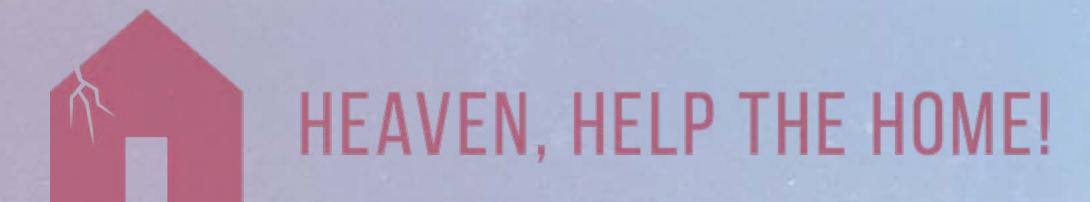
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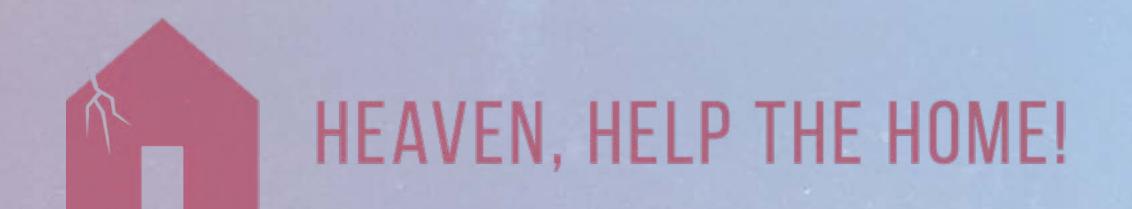
"These words from the Lord indicate that there will be an ongoing struggle between the woman and the man for leadership in the marriage relationship."



"The leadership role of the husband and the complementary relationship between husband and wife that were ordained by God before the Fall have now been deeply damaged and distorted by sin."



"This especially takes the form of inordinate desire (on the part of the wife) and domineering rule (on the part of the part of the husband)."







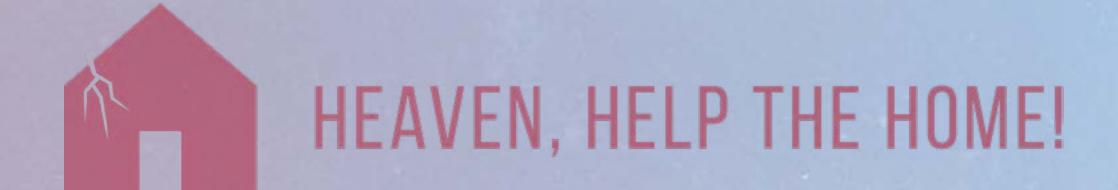
# The Promise of Redemption

(3:21, 15b)



"There is no going back to the garden; the only way now is on to glory to join the last Adam, who died as the curse for the human race and changed death into life through His resurrection from the dead."

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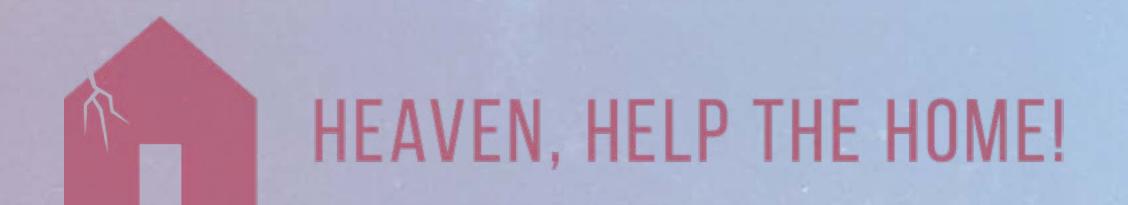
"This promise anticipates Revelation 12 and 19-20, where the dragon, 'that ancient serpent, represents Satan, and the woman represents the mother of Jesus, who is her seed."

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"Jesus' death and resurrection secures the final victory over Satan and death. [This is often] called the Protoevangelium, the first announcement of the Gospel."

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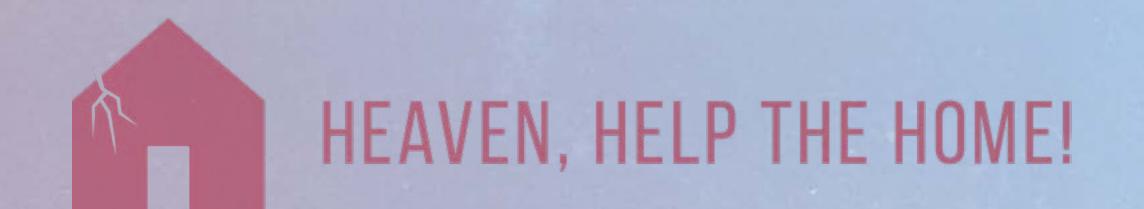
...having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; He has taken it away, nailing it to the cross.

COLOSSIANS 2:14



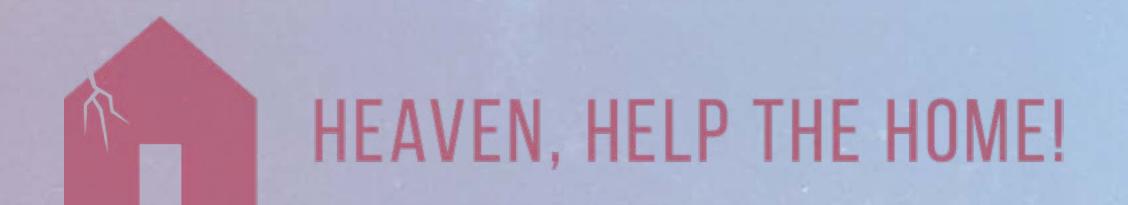
And having disarmed the powers and authorities, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

COLOSSIANS 2:15



The reconciliation that Jesus Christ brought into the world can restore the ideal harmony of the relationship that existed between the man and the woman before the Fall.

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# The consequences of the Fall strike us in our most personal and relational places.

Only God's grace can save us.

