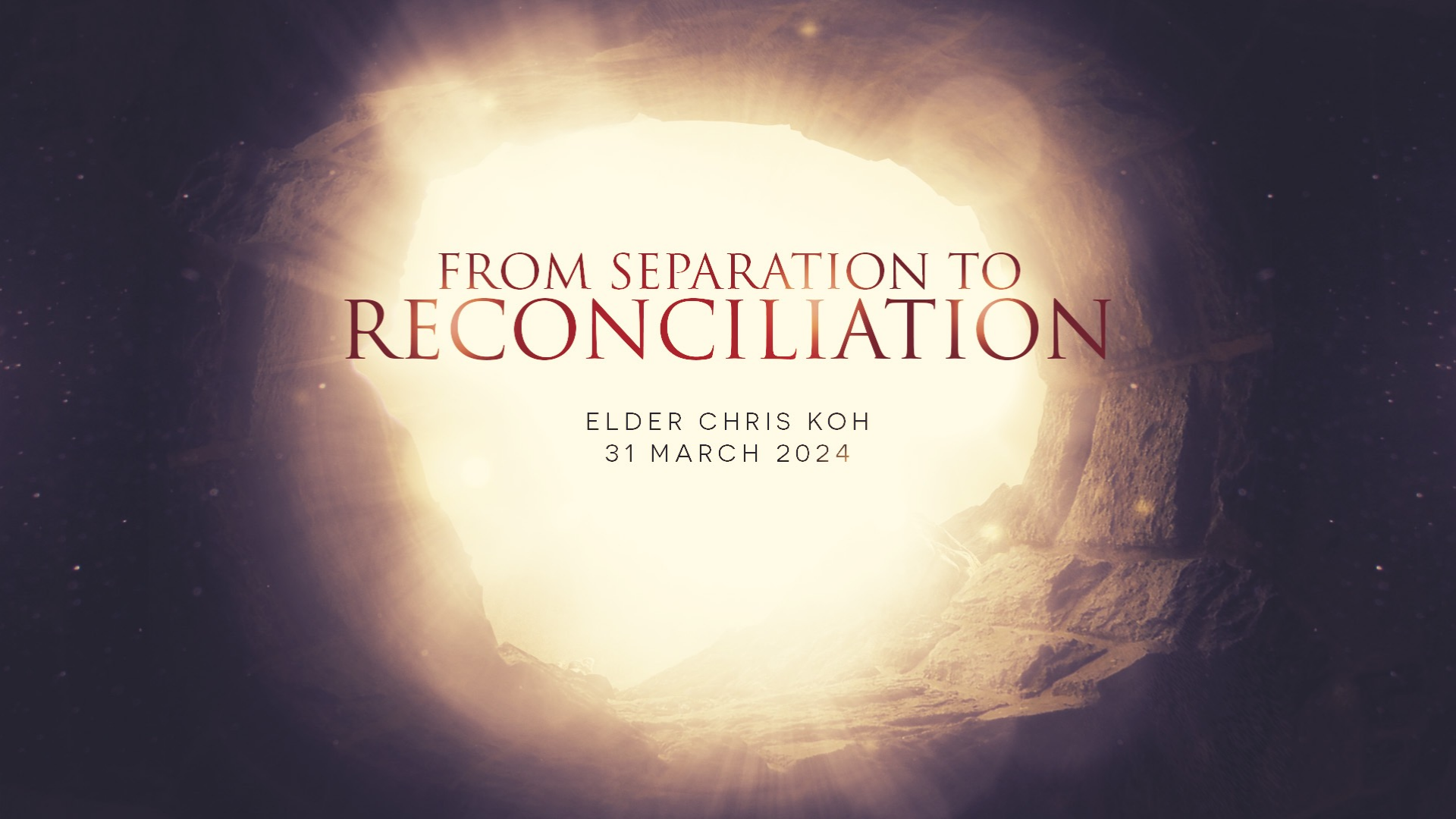




FROM SEPARATION TO RECONCILIATION

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***HAPPY
EASTER***

The background of the image is a dense, top-down view of a succulent garden. The plants are primarily green, with some showing a bluish or greyish tint, possibly due to a wax coating or specific species. They are arranged in a pattern of overlapping, rosette-like structures. The lighting is soft, creating subtle highlights and shadows that emphasize the texture of the leaves. The overall composition is a full-frame, textured background.

THE SEPARATION

The background of the entire image is a dense, close-up photograph of various succulent plants, likely Sedum or Echeveria, with thick, fleshy green leaves arranged in rosette patterns. The lighting is dramatic, with some leaves appearing in deep shadow while others catch the light, highlighting their texture and color variations from dark green to a lighter, almost yellowish-green.

THE SEPARATION

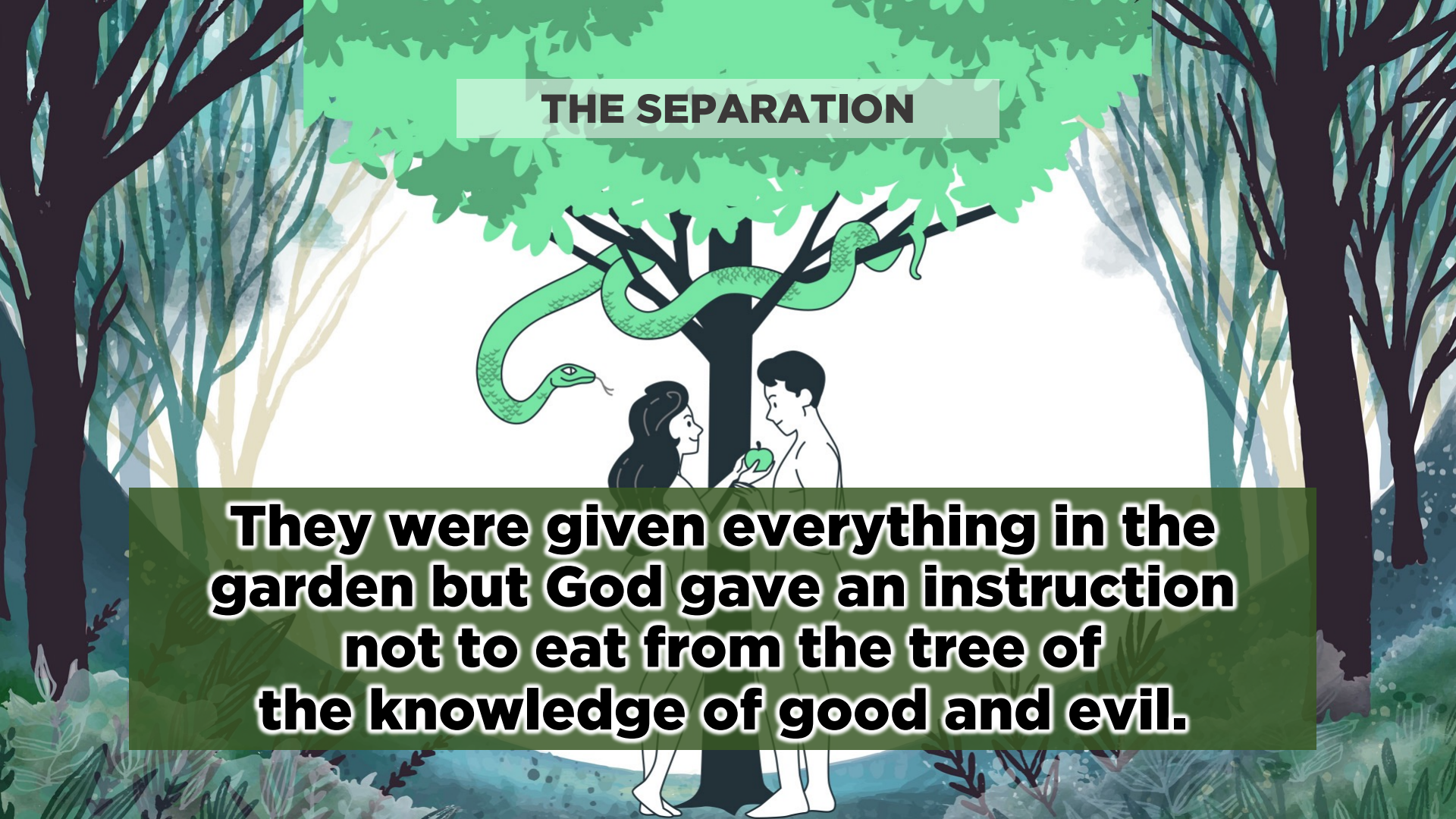
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THE SEPARATION

The story of Adam and Eve

- **the first man and woman
created by God**

An illustration of the Garden of Eden scene. A large tree with a thick black trunk and a dense green canopy is the central focus. A green serpent with a yellow underbelly is coiled around the tree's branches, its head lowered towards a man and a woman. The man, on the right, is shirtless and holding a green apple. The woman, on the left, has long dark hair and is looking at the man. They are standing on a grassy area with various plants. In the background, there are more trees with thin trunks and green foliage. The overall style is a soft, painterly illustration with a muted color palette.

THE SEPARATION

They were given everything in the garden but God gave an instruction not to eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

An illustration of the biblical story of the Fall of Man. A large, leafy green tree stands in the center. A green snake is coiled around its branches, with its head lowered towards a man and a woman. The man, on the right, is holding a red apple. The woman, on the left, is looking at the apple. They are both standing in a garden-like setting with other trees and foliage in the background. The scene is set in a lush, green environment with a soft, hazy background.

THE SEPARATION

**They disobeyed God's instructions,
and on that day, they sinned
and died spiritually.**

THE SEPARATION



Sin separates, that is one main consequence of sin.

THE SEPARATION



**What is so bad
about being
separated from
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What is so bad about being separated from God?

- **By design, Adam and Eve were created to have fellowship and intimacy with God.**

Genesis 3:8-9 (NKJV)

8 And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?"

THE SEPARATION



What is so bad about being separated from God?

- **A gap was formed between God and the couple, and so, the flow of blessings was cut off.**

**What does Adam and Eve's
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**Sin is described in the Bible
as a transgression of God's law
or instruction.**



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sin have to do with us?**

**Adam and Eve sinned against
God and were separated from
God because of their
disobedience and rebellion.**



**What does Adam and Eve's
sin have to do with us?**

**The whole of mankind was
counted as having sinned
because of our association
with Adam.**



**What does Adam and Eve's
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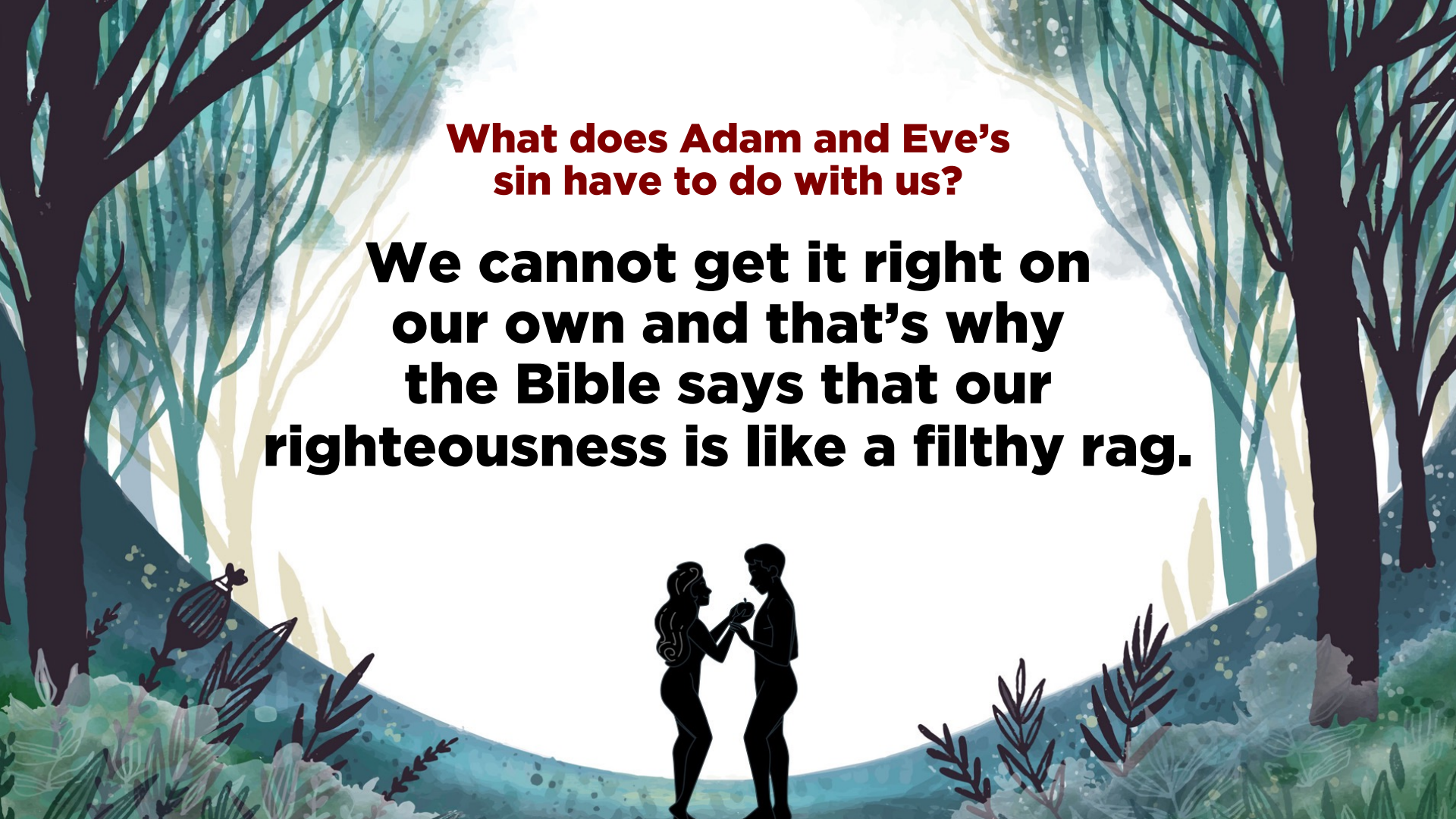
**The sinful nature entered into
mankind when Adam and Eve
sinned, which was the propensity
to disobey God and to do wrong.**



**What does Adam and Eve's
sin have to do with us?**

**All people have these
negative attributes of the
sinful nature in various degrees
and that is why the world will
only get messier with time.**



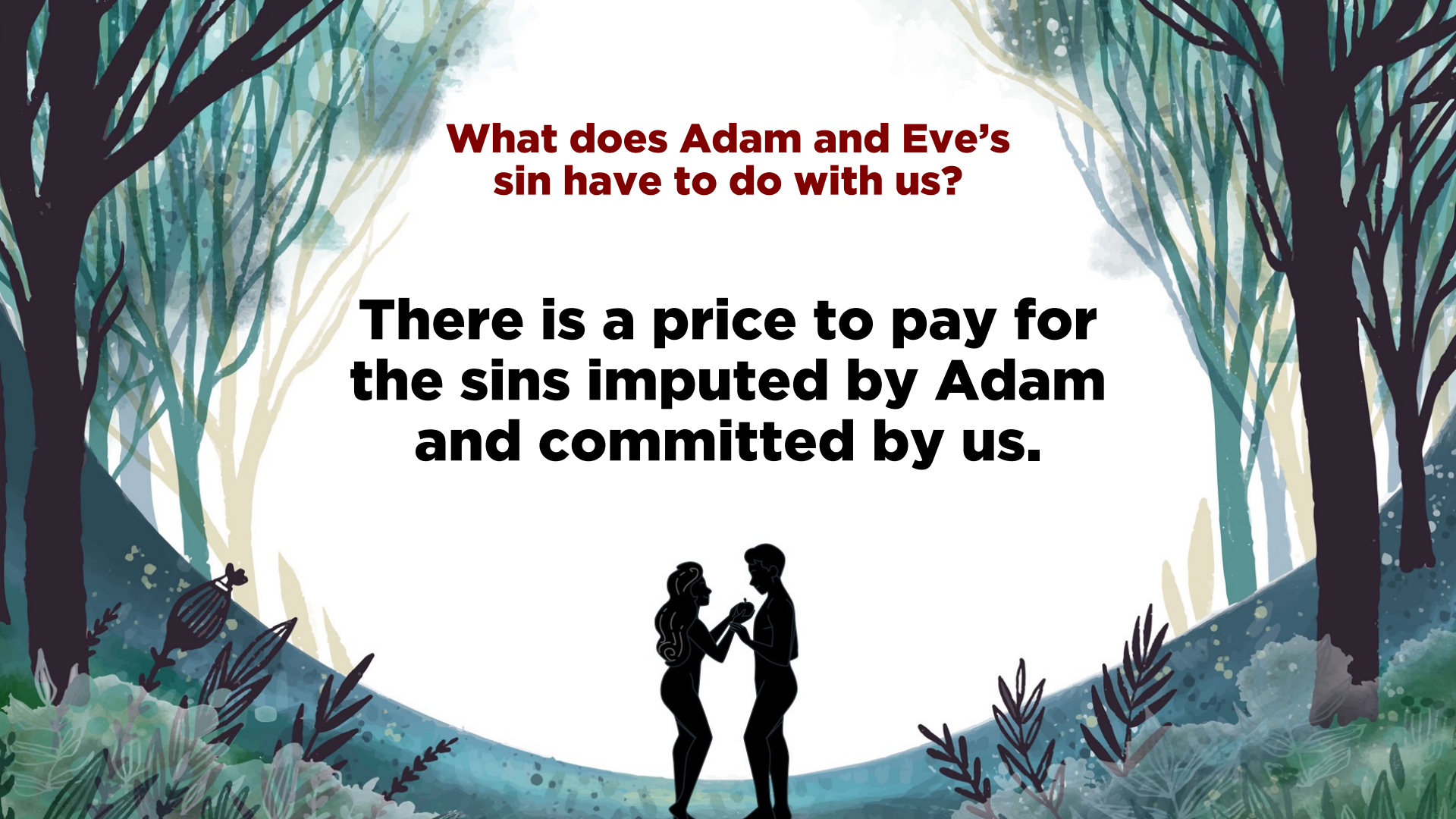


**What does Adam and Eve's
sin have to do with us?**

**We cannot get it right on
our own and that's why
the Bible says that our
righteousness is like a filthy rag.**

Romans 6:23 (ESV)

**For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift
of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.**



**What does Adam and Eve's
sin have to do with us?**

**There is a price to pay for
the sins imputed by Adam
and committed by us.**

**What happened on
Good Friday?**



What happened on Good Friday?

**The price was paid on the cross
on Good Friday.**



John 3:16 (NIV)

**For God so loved the world that He gave His
one and only Son, that whoever believes in
Him shall not perish but have eternal life.**

**Screening of Video
Passion of the Christ**

The Significance of His Resurrection

**Sin separates and causes a gap
between God and people but through
Jesus' death, He covered the gap.**



The Significance of His Resurrection

His resurrection is most significant because He has conquered death and death has no power over Him.



Romans 8:11 (ESV)

**If the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus
from the dead dwells in you, He who raised
Christ Jesus from the dead will also give
life to your mortal bodies through
His Spirit who dwells in you.**

Romans 8:38-39 (ESV)

**³⁸ For I am sure that neither death nor life,
nor angels nor rulers, nor things present
nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height
nor depth, nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of
God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

The Significance of His Resurrection

**Nothing can separate us
from the love of God.**



**Screening of Video
Story of Yun Fei**

The Significance of His Resurrection

**The sinful nature in us
can cause the relational separation
between us and the people around us.**



The Significance of His Resurrection

**Children suffer the most through the
actions of their parents and their
painful separations.**



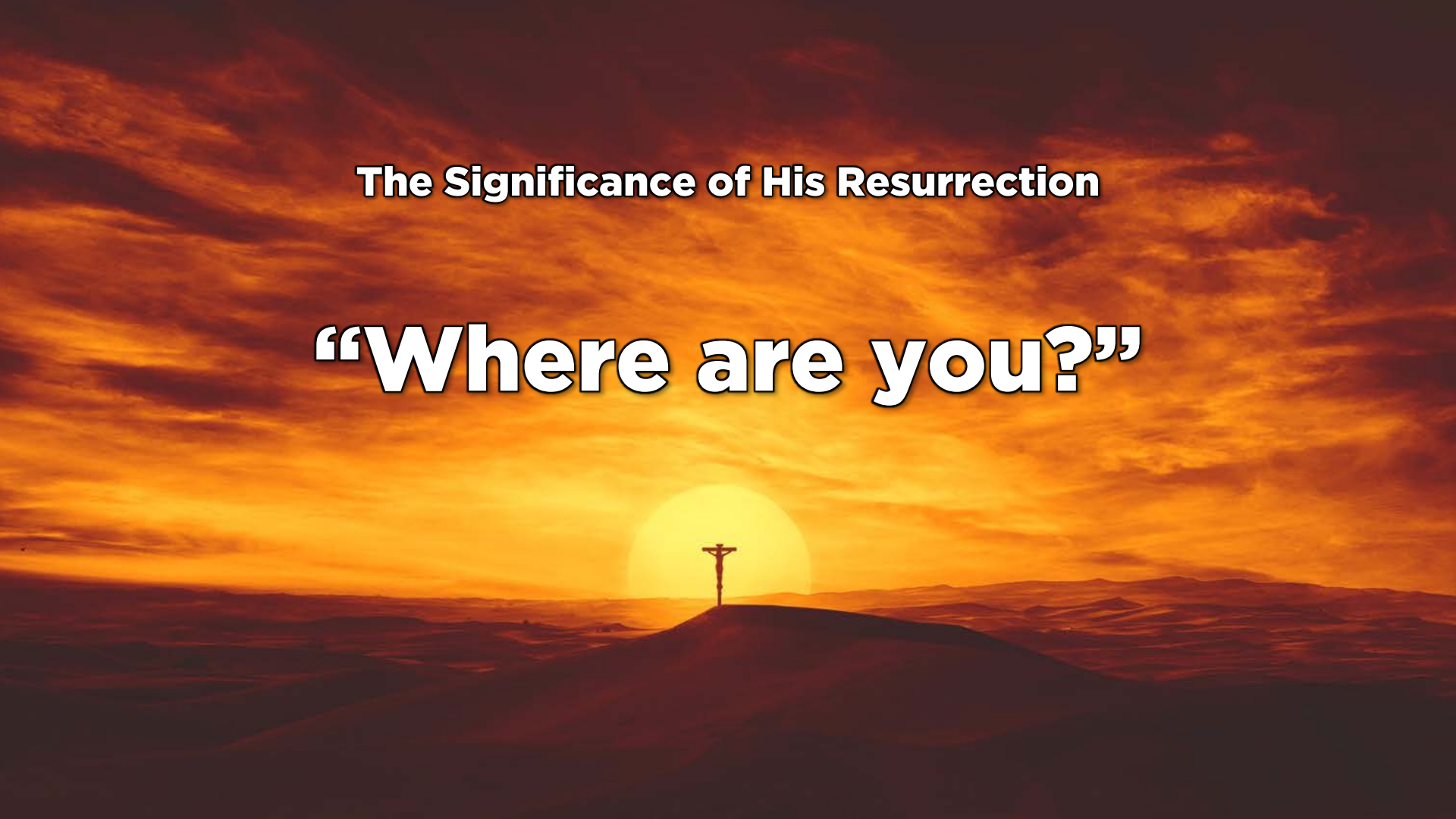
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**God wants people
to be reconciled to him.**



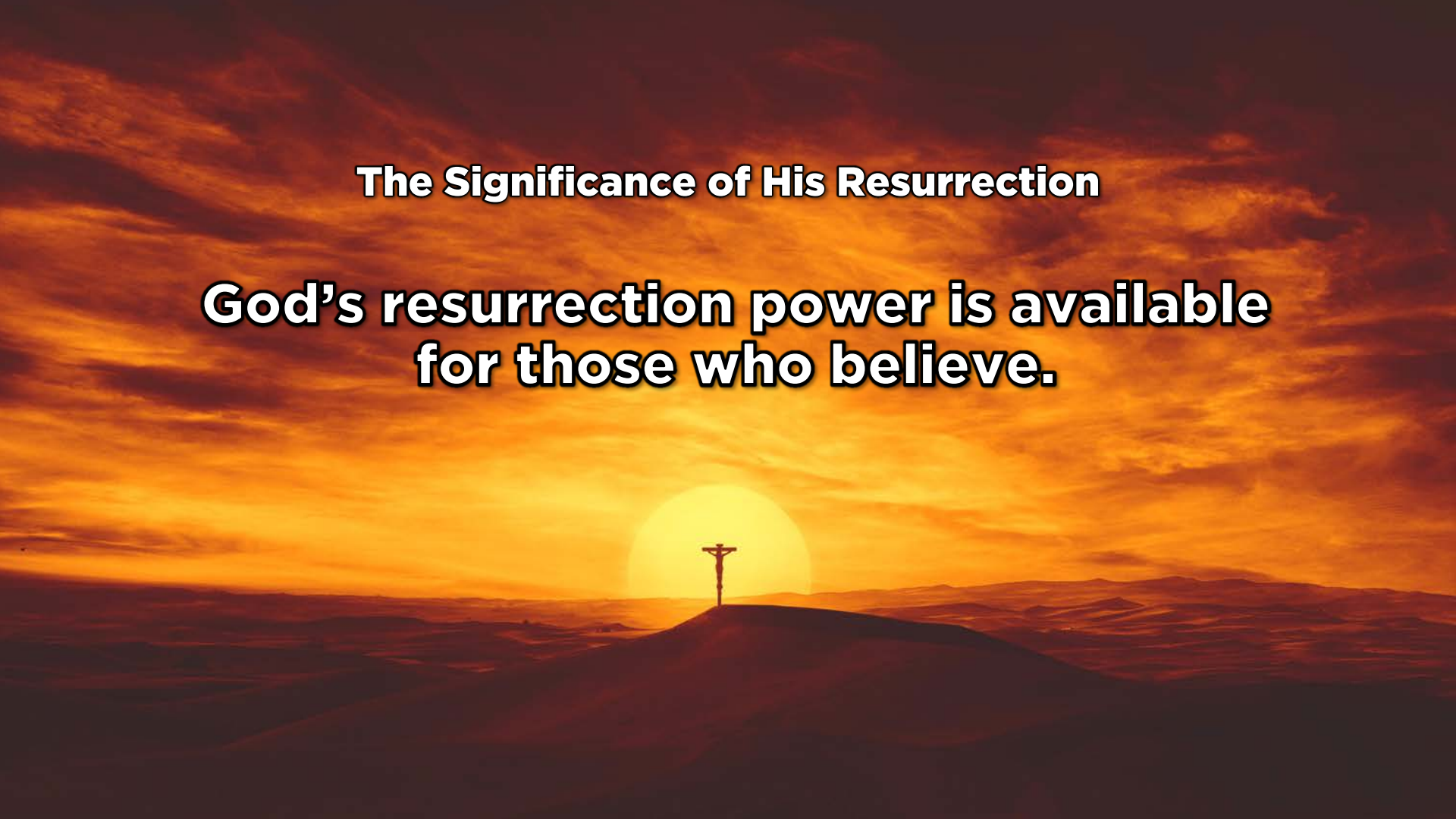
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“Where are you?”



The Significance of His Resurrection

**God's resurrection power is available
for those who believe.**



The Significance of His Resurrection

**Past disappointments and pains
suffered by his children as a result of an
absent and irresponsible father do not
just disappear.**



The Significance of His Resurrection

**But God is in the business of
reconciliation.**



The background of the slide is a dramatic image of a cave entrance. A bright, golden light emanates from the opening, creating a strong lens flare effect. The cave walls are dark and textured, with some rock formations visible on the right side. The overall atmosphere is one of mystery and hope.

CONCLUSION

**4 things that took place
to bring about that
miracle of reconciliation**

**Dear Lord Jesus,
Thank you for paying the price for me.
Thank you for giving me eternal life.
I am a sinner, and I have done things that I
am not proud of. Today, I receive You into
my heart and ask for Your forgiveness.
From today, I am free from the penalty of sin.
Come into my life, and be my personal Lord
and Saviour.
I pray this in Jesus' Name. Amen**