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The image features a background of rippling blue water with white text overlaid. The text is centered and reads:

We must discover God's Word.

Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every

Genesis 1:26-27

creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

Genesis 1:26-27



We must discover God's Word.

We must discover God's Word for
His truth. (Genesis 3:1-3)

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God actually say, ‘You shall not eat of any tree in the garden’?” And the woman said to the

Genesis 3:1-3

serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.’”

Genesis 3:1-3

And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, "You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

Genesis 2:16-17

We must discover God's Word.

We must discover God's Word for
His truth. (Genesis 3:1-3)

We must discover God's Word for
His love. (Genesis 3:4-6)

*But the serpent said to the woman,
“You will not surely die. For God knows
that when you eat of it your eyes will be
opened, and you will be like God,
knowing good and evil.”*

Genesis 3:4-5

So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate.

Genesis 3:6



We try to cover up our shame.

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We cover up our shame from each
other. (Genesis 3:7)

*Then the eyes of both were opened,
and they knew that they were naked.
And they sewed fig leaves together and
made themselves loincloths.*

Genesis 3:7

We try to cover up our shame.

We cover up our shame from each other. (Genesis 3:7)

We cover up our shame from God.
(Genesis 3:8)

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.

Genesis 3:8

We try to cover up our shame.

We cover up our shame by blaming.

(Genesis 3:9-13)

But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I

Genesis 3:9-13

commanded you not to eat?” The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.” Then the Lord God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

Genesis 3:9-13



God covers our shame.



God covers our shame.

God covers our shame with hope.

(Genesis 3:14-20)

*The Lord God said to the serpent,
“Because you have done this, cursed
are you above all livestock and above
all beasts of the field; on your belly you
shall go, and dust you shall eat all the
days of your life. I will put enmity*

Genesis 3:14-19

between you and the woman, and between your offspring[e] and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.” To the woman he said, “I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you

Genesis 3:14-19

shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be contrary to your husband, but he shall rule over you.” And to Adam he said, “Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you,

Genesis 3:14-19

'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of your face you

Genesis 3:14-19

shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

Genesis 3:14-19



*The man called his wife's name Eve,
because she was the mother of all
living.*

Genesis 3:20

God covers our shame.

God covers our shame with hope.

(Genesis 3:14-20)

God covers us with love. (Genesis

3:21-24)

And the Lord God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them. Then the Lord God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of us in knowing good and evil. Now, lest he reach out his hand and take

Genesis 3:21-24

also of the tree of life and eat, and live forever—” therefore the Lord God sent him out from the garden of Eden to work the ground from which he was taken. He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he

Genesis 3:21-24

placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.

Genesis 3:21-24



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