

Trusting in the Goodness of God

God's Goodness Displayed in Redemption

Genesis 3:1-24

From Fracture to Faith

Genesis 3:15-16

Eve's disobedience brought brokenness into the family, but you can learn to let those fractures move you to a deeper faith in Christ.

1. There is a fracture in motherhood.

a. Painful _____.

b. Difficult _____.

2. There is a fracture in the marriage relationship.

a. An impulse to _____.

b. A tendency to _____.

3. You can learn to move from these fractures to faith.

a. By moving from the pain to the _____.

b. By moving from the desires to _____.

c. By moving from tyranny to _____.

Questions for Discussion

- What is the first thing the Lord tells Eve He is going to do (v 16)? The word *pain* is the same as *toil* in v 17. What does this look like for women who are pregnant? What does this pain remind us of?
- Through what process did Jesus come into this earth? How does this connect to v 15? How did v 16 likely affect Mary's experience (cf. Luke 2:6-7)? Discuss the idea that Jesus came into the world through a very painful process.
- Sin brought conflict into marriage relationships. Discuss how this conflict helps us identify with Adam and Eve and leads us to humility. What would happen if you laid your desires down?
- Eve got her way and drew her husband into sin (v 6). How might you lead others into sin by seeking to get your way? Give examples.
- How might your faith grow if you consistently moved your focus from your hardships to God's promise of a Savior? If you moved your selfish desires toward devotion to Christ?



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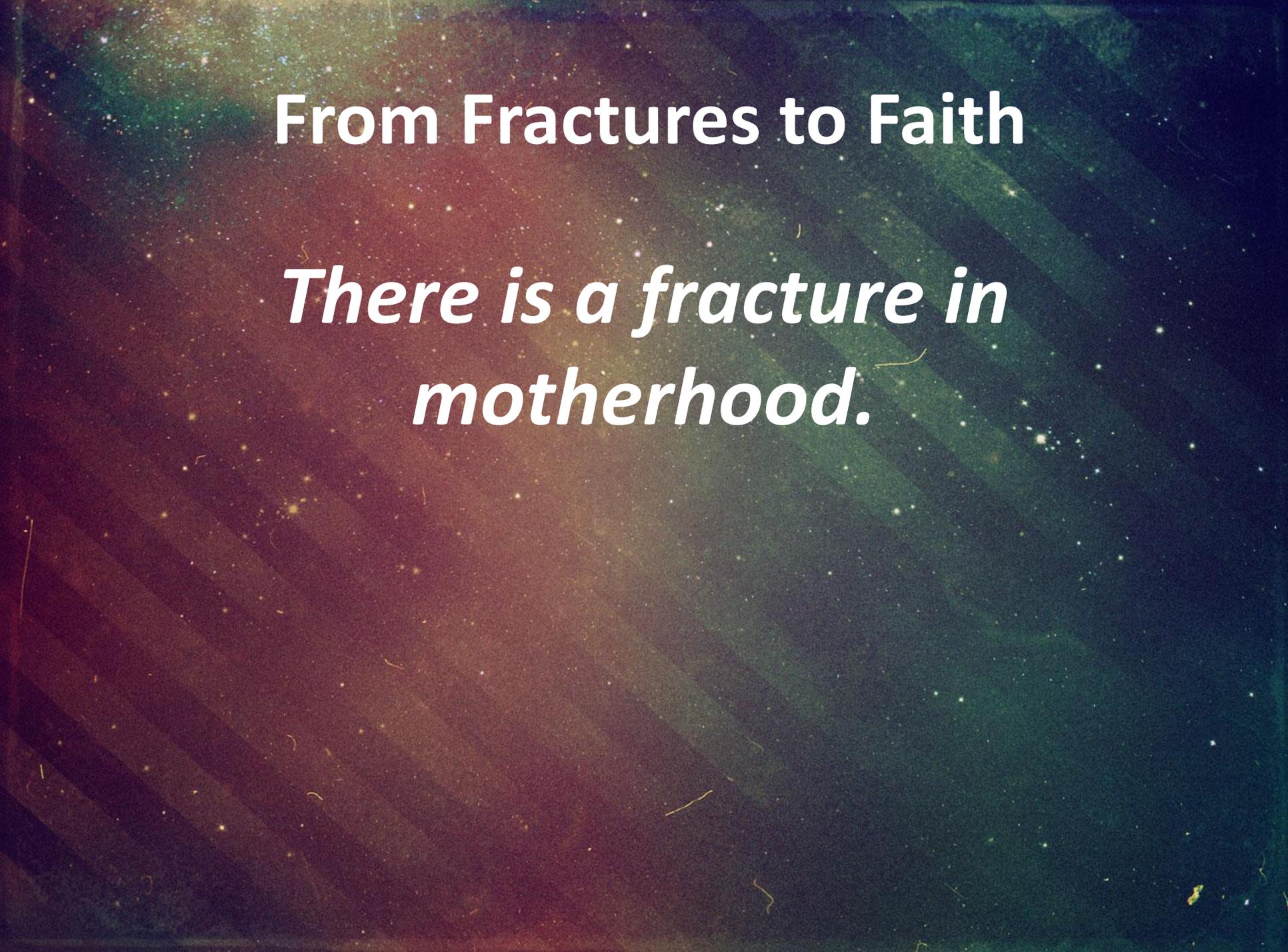
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From Fractures to Faith

***There is a fracture in
motherhood.***

The Fracture in Motherhood

Painful pregnancies

Genesis 3:16

To the woman He said,
“I will greatly multiply Your **pain in childbirth**,
In pain you shall bring forth children.”

Pain = toil or sorrow

Childbirth = conception

The Fracture in Motherhood

Painful pregnancies.

Difficult deliveries.

Genesis 3:16

To the woman He said,
“I will greatly multiply Your pain in childbirth,
In pain you shall **bring forth children.**”

*This refers to the delivery process,
but it likely includes more.*

From Fractures to Faith

There is a fracture in motherhood.

***There is a fracture in the
marriage relationship.***



Genesis 3:16

**“And your desire shall be for your husband,
And he shall rule over you.”**

Possible meanings:

- The woman will desire her husband sexually.

Song of Solomon 7:10

“I am my beloved's, and **his desire is for me.**”

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- The woman will desire her husband sexually.
- The woman will seek to usurp her husband's authority.
- The woman will have an impulse to control her husband in order to get what she wants.

Genesis 4:7

"If you do well, will you not be accepted?
And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the
door; and **its desire is for you,**
but you must master it."

The Fracture in Marriage

An impulse to control.



Genesis 3:16

“And your desire shall be for your husband,
And he shall rule over you.”

Possible meanings:

- The man will lead the woman.

This view places the emphasis upon the woman's resistance to the man's proper leadership.

Possible meanings:

- The man will lead the woman.
- The man will exert his will to subdue the woman.

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The Fracture in Marriage

An impulse to control.

A tendency to tyrannize.

*The primary cause of trouble
in the marital relationship is
a conflict of wills.*

From Fractures to Faith

There is a fracture in motherhood.

There is a fracture in the marriage relationship.

***You can learn to move from
these fractures to faith.***

How do you move to faith?

By moving from the pain
to the promise.

Genesis 3:16

I will greatly multiply Your pain in childbirth,
In pain you shall bring forth children.

*It was through the pain of
pregnancy that the Promise came .*

How do you move to faith?

By moving from the pain to the promise.

**By moving from desires
to devotion.**

Genesis 3:16

And **your desire** shall be for your husband,
and he shall rule over you.

Galatians 5:17

For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit,
and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in
opposition to one another, so that you may not
do the things that you please.

*How would your
relationships change if you
gave up your desire to get
your own way in submission
to Christ?*

How do you move to faith?

By moving from the pain to the promise.

By moving from desires to devotion.

**By moving from tyranny
to tenderness.**

Genesis 3:16

And your desire shall be for your husband,
and he shall rule over you.

1 Peter 3:7

You husbands likewise, live with your wives in an understanding way, as with a weaker vessel, since she is a woman; and grant her honor as a fellow heir of the grace of life.

Are you allowing relational fractures to move you away from God and others, or are you letting them move you toward Him in faith?