

**“THE ORIGIN OF EVERYTHING”**

**“THE INCREDIBLE STORY OF CREATION, CORRUPTION AND COVENANT”**

**PART 13**

**“LET THE GROANING BEGIN!”**

**“Longing for the Presence and the Glory of God As It Once Was”**

**(Genesis 3:20-24)**

**INTRODUCTION:**

*“So He drove the man out; and at the east of the garden of Eden He stationed the cherubim and the flaming sword which turned every direction to guard the way to the tree of life.”*

*—Genesis 3:24*

*“For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth together until now. And not only this, but also we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our body.”*

*—Romans 8:22, 23*

**1A. THE FIVE FUNDAMENTAL QUESTIONS:**

1. The Question of **Origins**: Why is there something instead of nothing?
2. The Question of **Purpose**: Why are we here?
3. The Question of **Evil** (Suffering): What went wrong?
4. The Question of **Solution** (Remedy): How can it be fixed?
5. The Question of **Purpose** (Eschatology) : Where is it all headed?

**2A. THE FIRST COUPLE’S REBELLION (3:1-13)**

- Paradise Lost - What man briefly enjoyed in the original creation before the Fall—the unmediated presence of **God** and the unprecedented absence of **shame**—was immediately forfeited by man’s disobedience.

**3A. THE FALL AND ITS FALLOUT (3:1-14-24)**

- The Introduction of **Corruption** and **Conflict** come as a consequence of God’s **Curse**, but they are also accompanied by the extraordinary expression of His **Compassion**: — the Postponement of Full and Final Judgment, the Provision of Temporary Covering and Approach to God, and the Promise of a Seed and Ultimate Triumph.

4A. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF SALVATION INTRODUCED: (3:20-24)

1B. \_\_\_\_\_ – the \_\_\_\_\_ of Salvation.

2B. \_\_\_\_\_ – the \_\_\_\_\_ of Salvation.

3B. \_\_\_\_\_ – the \_\_\_\_\_ for Salvation.

4B. \_\_\_\_\_ – the \_\_\_\_\_ of Salvation.

5B. \_\_\_\_\_ – the \_\_\_\_\_ of Salvation.

5A. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF SALVATION COMMENCED:

CONCLUSION: