What is going on in terms of relationship?

There obviously was disobedience at the fall, what about dishonor?

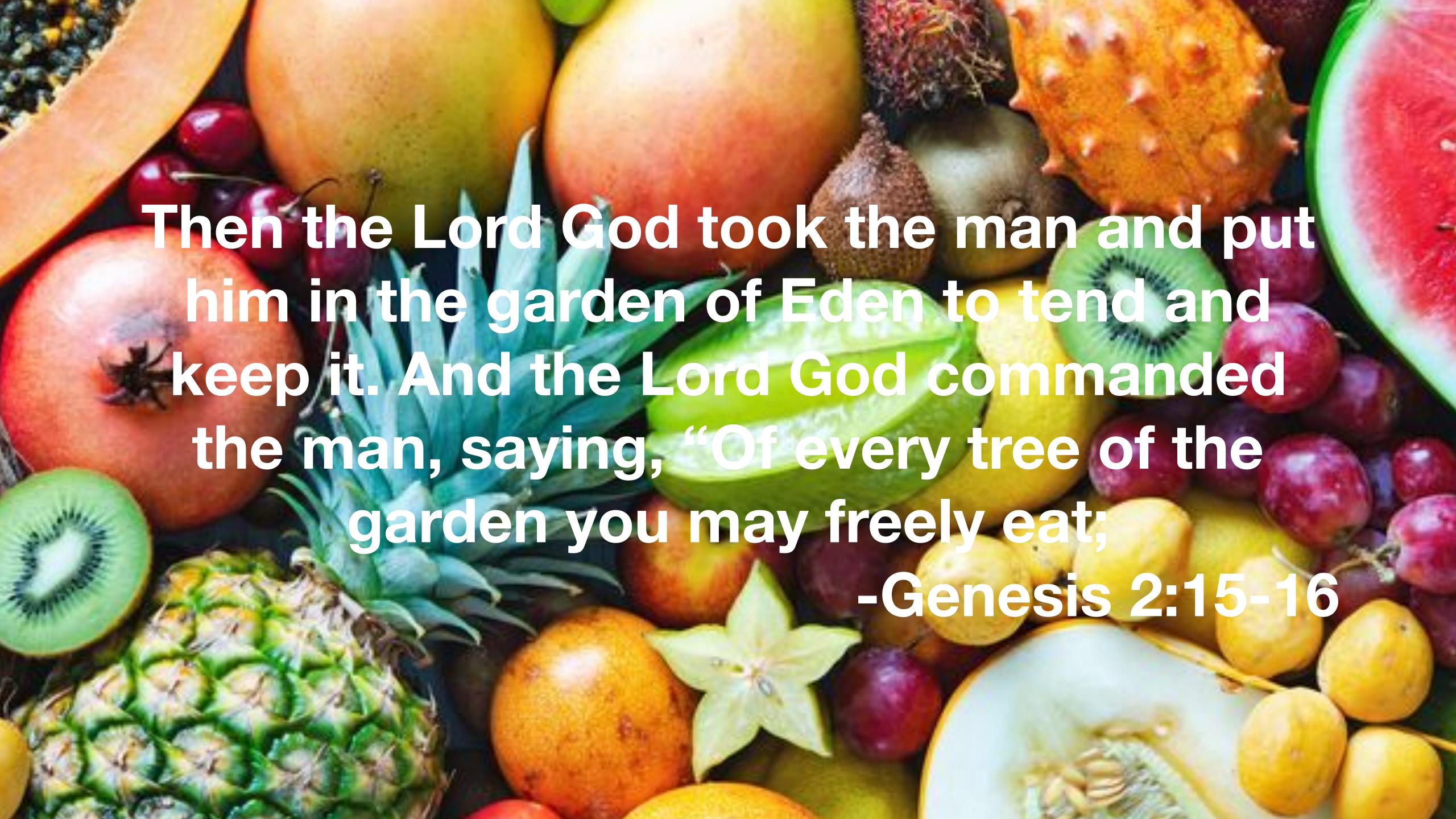
How do we see shame as a result of the Fall?

"... the great honor God ascribed Adam at creation blessing, land, food, naming privileges and a wife.
Adam was like a royal prince endowed with the
King's prestige and status."
-Georges and Baker

The severity of the consequences is the measure of the high status of the ones who sinned, and the One whom they sinned against.

And out of the ground the Lord God made every tree grow that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

- Genesis 2:9



"Man was designed perfectly, and he was designed to experience that perfection perfectly. Part of that design was freedom. And because the freedom was real and genuine, it included a freedom to walk away from freedom itself, to walk away from joy, perfection and satisfaction."

Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said to the woman, "Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden'?"

-Genesis 3:1

Dishonor and Disobedience

Then the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

-Genesis 3:4-5

Not only NOT dying, but being able to LIVE independently of God and be like God

"Who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, it emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.

-Philippians 2:6-7

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So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. -Genesis 3:6 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings... and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God...

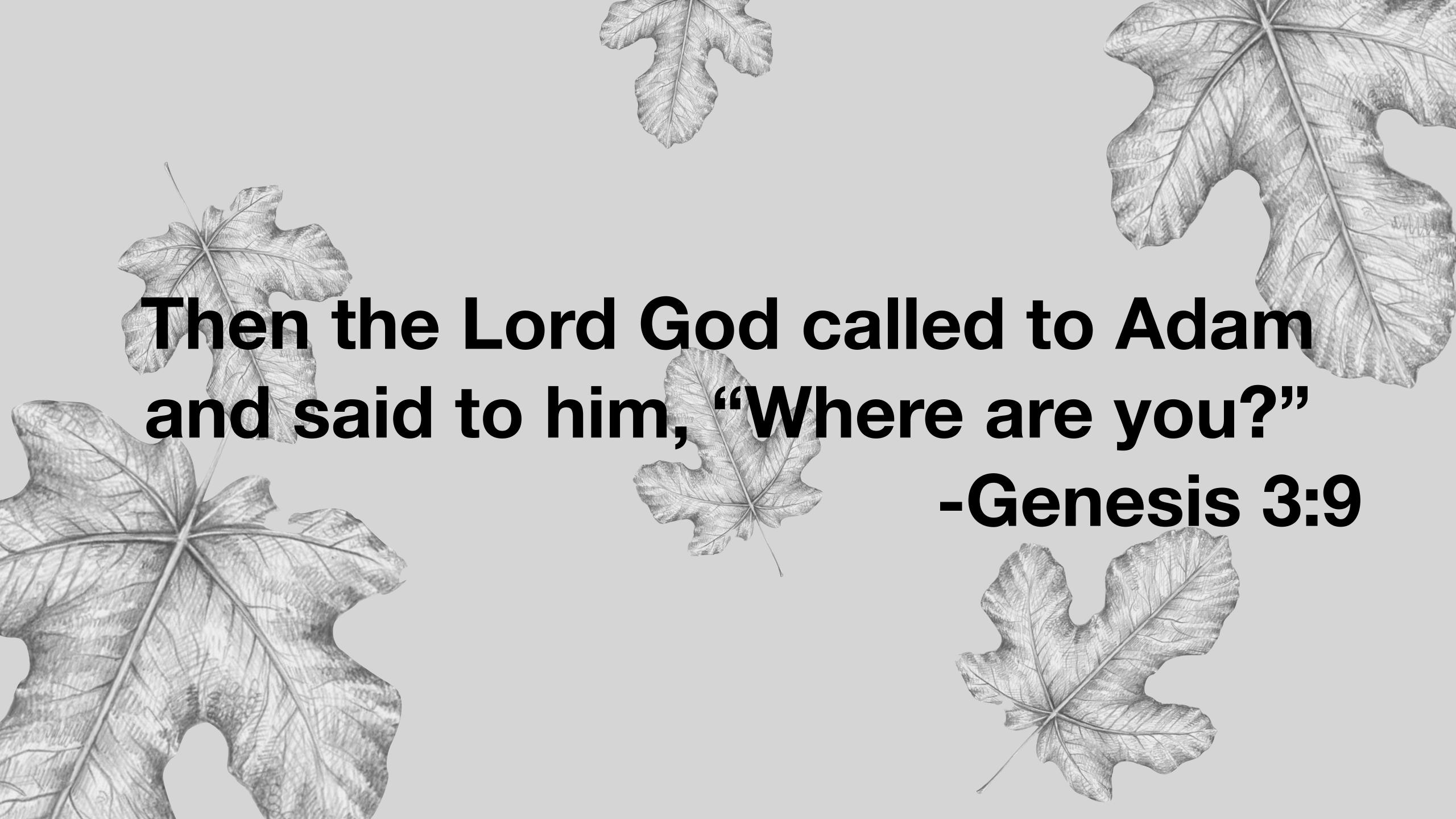
-Genesis 3:7-8

"Covering highlights the contrast of the shame of those who were crowned with glory and honor. The need for covering ourselves is the implicit acknowledgement that we are not who we claim to be: independent, limitless and self-creating."

-Phillip Jamieson

"If guilt is the difference between knowing what we should do and not doing it, shame is the difference between knowing who we should be and not being that person. Guilt fears punishment; shame fears loss of love" -Philip Jamieson "Indeed, the powerful force of shame "questions our very right to exist before the God who called us into being, yes, it puts a question mark over our right to be"

-Robin Stockitt



"Adam and Eve lost face and status before all creation. As disloyal children they lost honor. They were cursed with pain, grueling labor, weakness and dirtiness—indicators of low status. Death is the ultimate shame; humans return back to the lowly dust they came from. Ultimately Adam and Eve were banished from God's community, exiled from the presence of God. The human family lost its face. We lack honor before God.

-Georges and Baker

"To understand the significance of the patronage, it is essential to grasp the enormous social inequality that existed in Palestine during the time of Christ. Society consisted of a very small number of people at the top — while the vast majority of people lived with much lower status and power, and had a constant struggle to survive."

-Mischke

