# WELCOME TO ROCK CREEK

# IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME-THANKS FOR JOINING US!

WE WOULD LOVE TO MEET YOU! STOP AND MEET MARK TO THE RIGHT OF THE STAGE AFTER THE SERVICE.







## **GENESIS 3: 1-2**

<b>TWO IMPORTANT QUESTIONS:</b>	
1	_DID WE GET HERE?
2. IS THERE ANY	

#### **1. HOW DID WE GET HERE?**

## A. IT \_\_\_\_\_\_ WITH WHAT MAY SEEM

#### LIKE A HARMLESS \_\_\_\_\_\_.

"Now the serpent was the most cunning of all the wild animals that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God really say, 'You can't eat from any tree in the garden'?" v. 1

"You are free to eat from any tree in the garden, but you must not eat from the tree of knowledge of god and evil, for on the day you eat from it, you will certainly die." Genesis 2: 16-17

#### B. MAN DECIDED TO \_\_\_\_\_

\_AS GOD.

"...they exchanged the truth of God for a lie." Romans 1:25

'we may eat the fruit from the trees in the garden.' v. 2

'But about the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden, God said, 'You must not eat it or touch it, or you will die.' v.3 The woman saw that the tree was good for food and delightful to look at, and that it was desirable for obtaining wisdom. So she took some of its fruit and ate it; she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. v.6

Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves. v. 7

# C. NO ONE TAKES \_\_\_\_\_

"I was afraid because I was naked, so I hid." v.10

#### (READ JEREMIAH 2:20-25)

Yes, they knew God, but they wouldn't worship Him as God or even give Him thanks. And they began to think up foolish ideas of what god was like. As a result, their minds became dark and confused. Romans 1:21 (NLT)

So God abandoned them to do whatever shameful things their hearts desired. As a result, they did vile and degrading things with each other's bodies. They traded the truth about God for a lie... Romans 1: 24-25a (NLT)

#### 2. IS THERE ANY HOPE?

# A. THERE IS \_\_\_\_\_\_ IN JESUS CHRIST.

But God proves His own love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8

Now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus. And because you belong to Him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death. Romans 8: 1-2 (NLT)

#### B.\_\_\_\_\_AND

THE GOSPEL.

The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news. – Mark 1:15