

Genesis

A Critical Look at Origins



Genesis

Why it matters.

What God says.

Bad Science.

Good Science.





Why it
matters.

WHAT WE BELIEVE



BLOGS

Biblical Reasons to Doubt the Creation Days Were 24-Hour Periods

JUSTIN TAYLOR — JANUARY 28, 2015

R. C. Sproul, who drafted the original Chicago Statement of Biblical Inerrancy, once said, “When people ask me how old the earth is, I tell them I don’t know—because I don’t.”

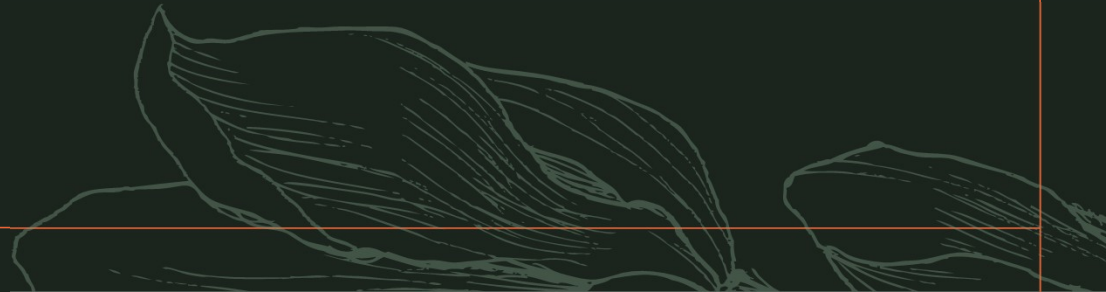
הַשָּׁמַיִם	תּוֹלְדוֹת	•	אֵלֶּה	4
heavens	the	generations of	these	
בְּהִבְרָאֵם	וְהָאָרֶץ			
them	to be created	when	earth	the and
וְהַיָּמִים	וְהַיָּמִים			
and	and			

 SHARE

 TWEET

 EMAIL

“Ok. But,
Genesis is a
secondary
issue.”



ARTICLE

Godliness Is Not Heterosexuality

ED SHAW

DECEMBER 3, 2015

Why the paranoia (a word honestly used by a Christian parent asking me this question)? It's because, far too often in the evangelical church, godliness is heterosexuality, and no one can grasp how same-sex attraction and godliness could exist together.



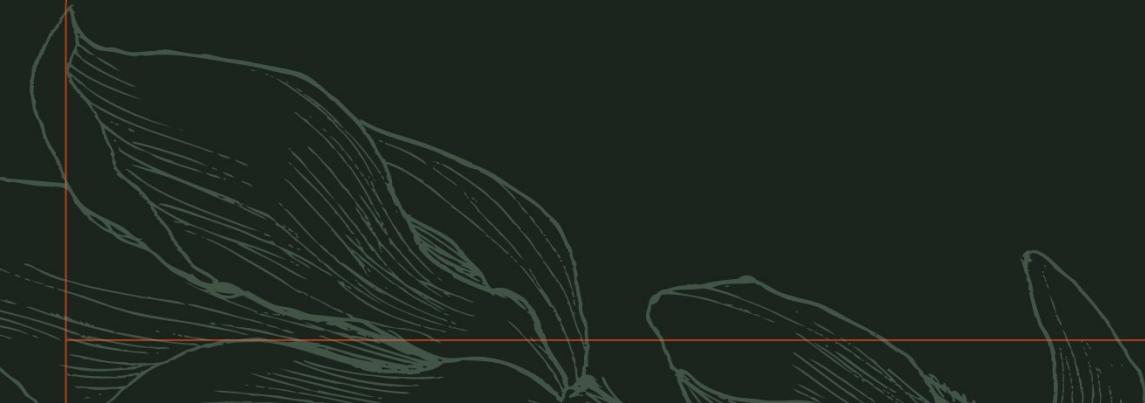
“Whether individuals choose “gay” or “same-sex-attracted” to describe their orientation and experience is a matter of wisdom and liberty, and should not divide believers who otherwise share a commitment to historic Christian teaching about marriage and sexuality (2 Tim. 2:14).”

ARTICLE

Ask TGC: Isn't Opposing Same-Sex Marriage as Prejudiced as Opposing Interracial Marriage?

JOE CARTER

MARCH 5, 2019



ARTICLE

Ask TGC: Isn't Opposing Same-Sex Marriage as Prejudiced as Opposing Interracial Marriage?

JOE CARTER

MARCH 5, 2019

JOURNAL

Costly Obedience: What We Can Learn from the Celibate Gay Christian Community

JARED S. POULTON

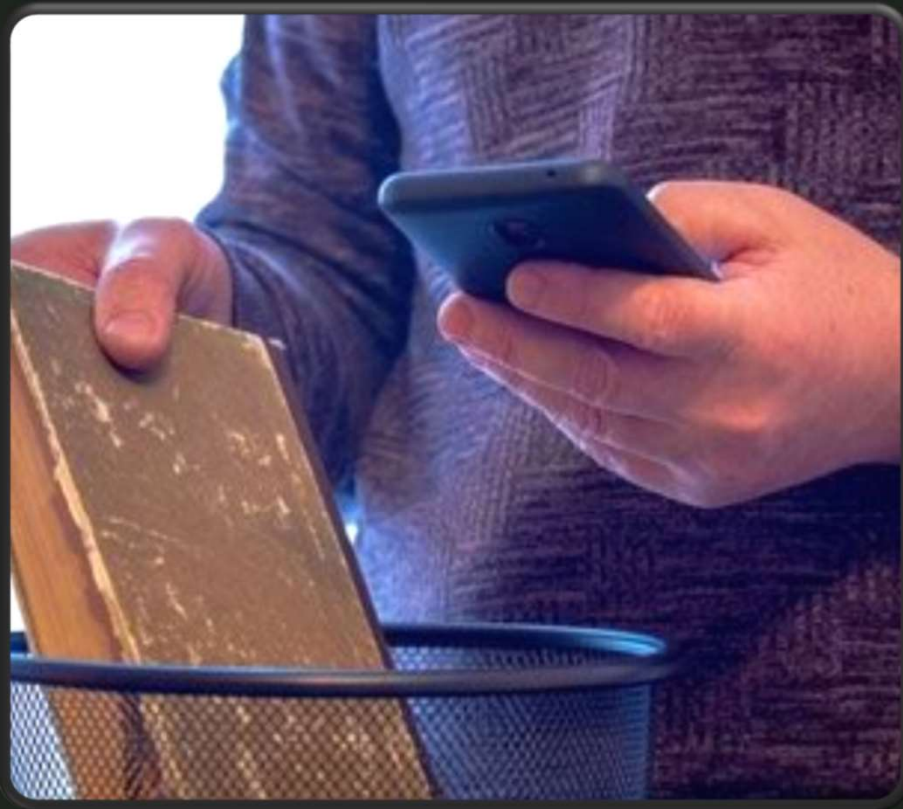
APRIL 16, 2020

PODCAST

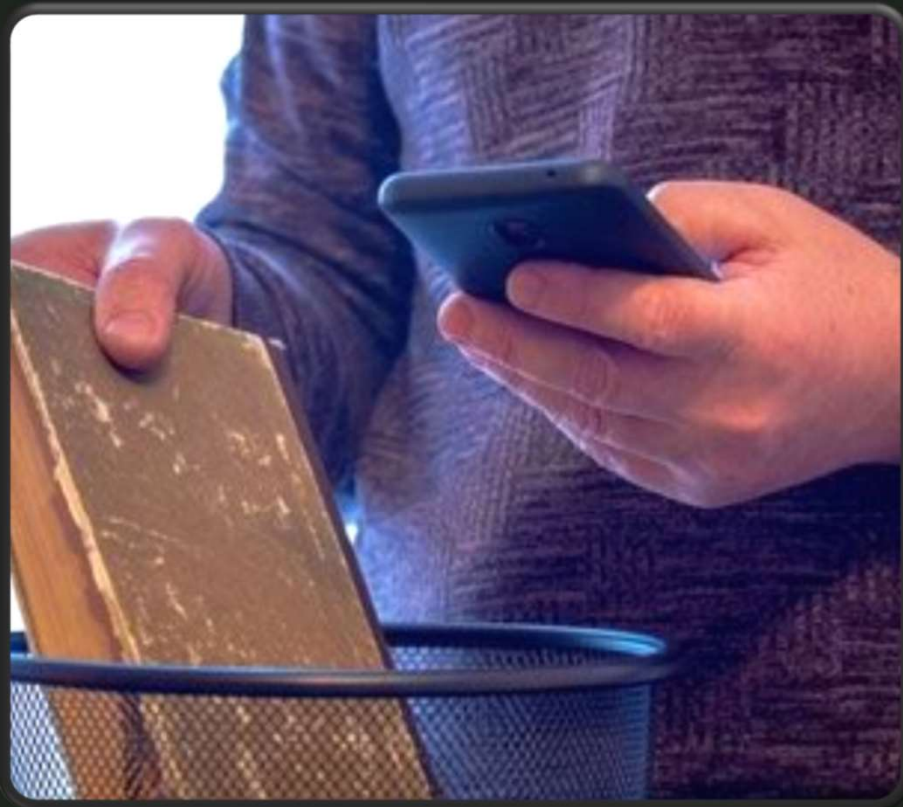
Is Opposing Gay Marriage Just as Bad as Supporting Slavery?

TAYLOR TURKINGTON • REBECCA MCLAUGHLIN

APRIL 15, 2020

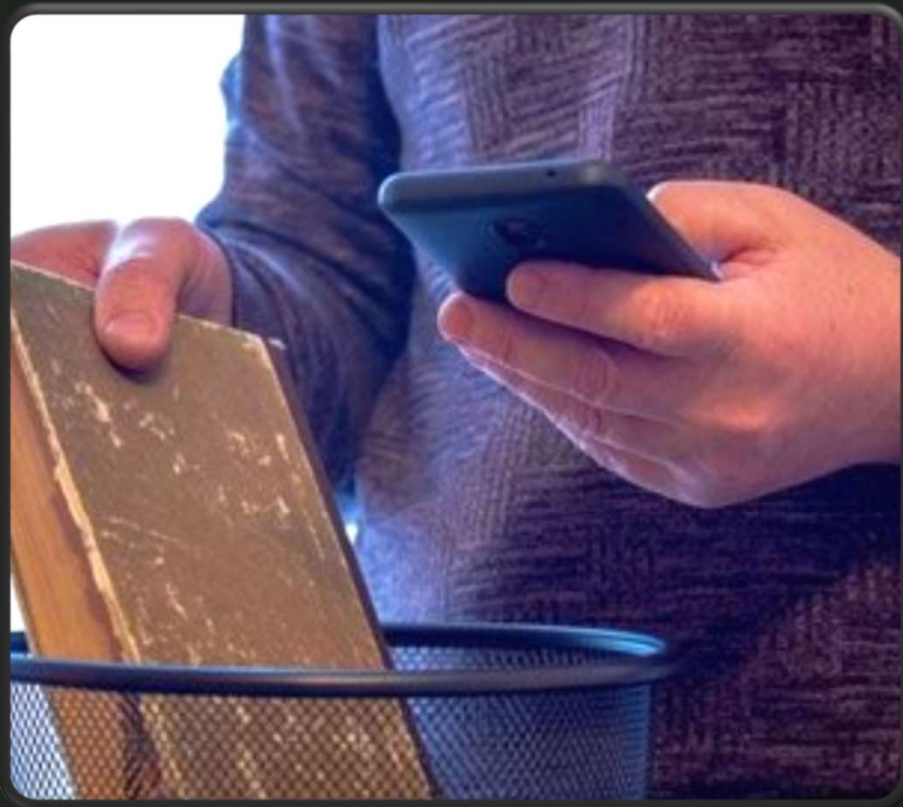


*This is why
it matters.*



This is why it matters.

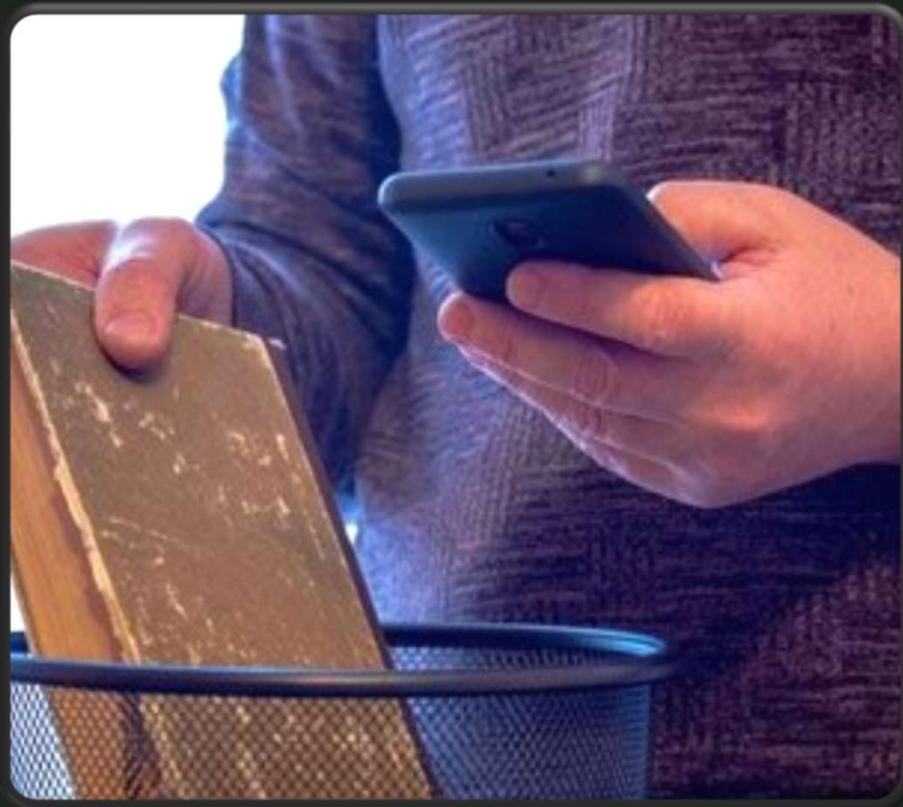
When you abandon / ignore the
truth of creation and origins,
you lose biblical understanding
& grounding in other doctrines.



This is why it matters.

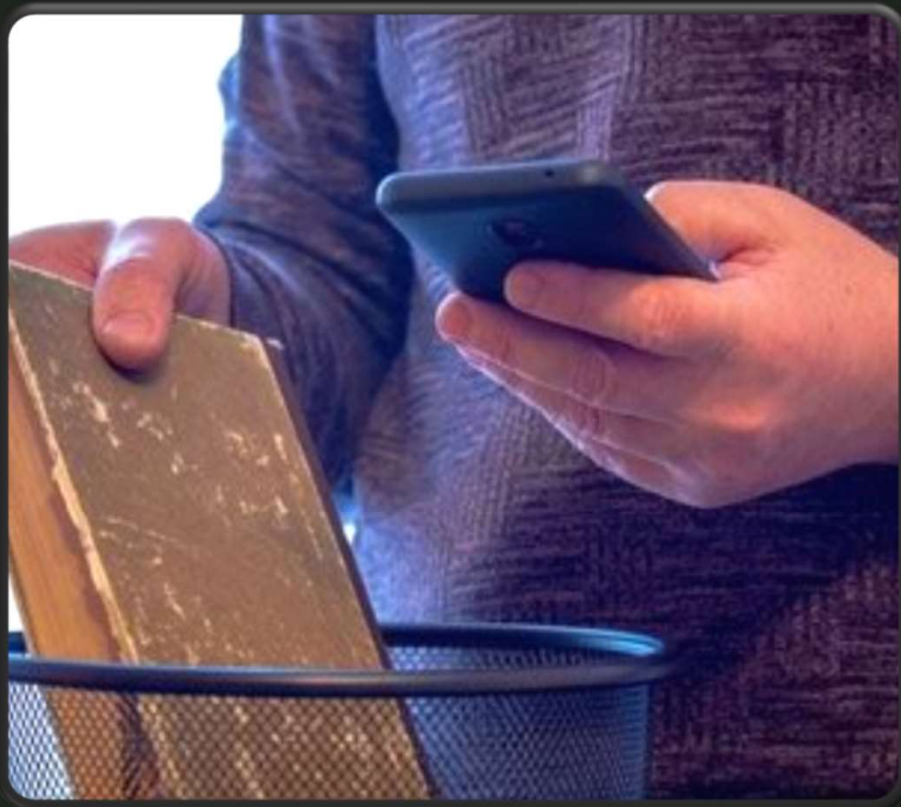
Biblical interpretation is rooted in
Genesis.

Biblical theology starts in
Genesis.



This is why it matters.

- *Views of God's character are marred.*
- *Holiness is perverted.*
- *The culture begins to inform truth.*



This is why it matters.

- *Views of God's character are marred.*
- *Holiness is perverted.*
- *The culture begins to inform truth.*

**When we lose the first book, Genesis,
we lose the other 65 books.**



Male & Female

Origins





Male & Female



Gender Roles

Origins





Male & Female



Gender Roles



Sin

Origins





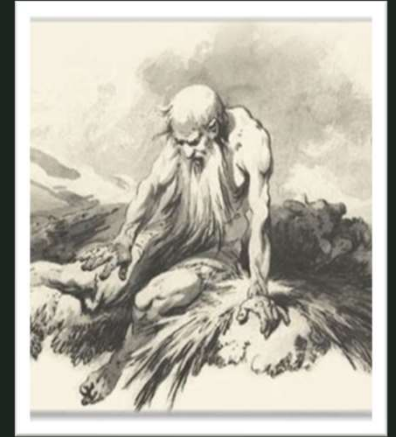
Male & Female



Gender Roles



Sin



Suffering

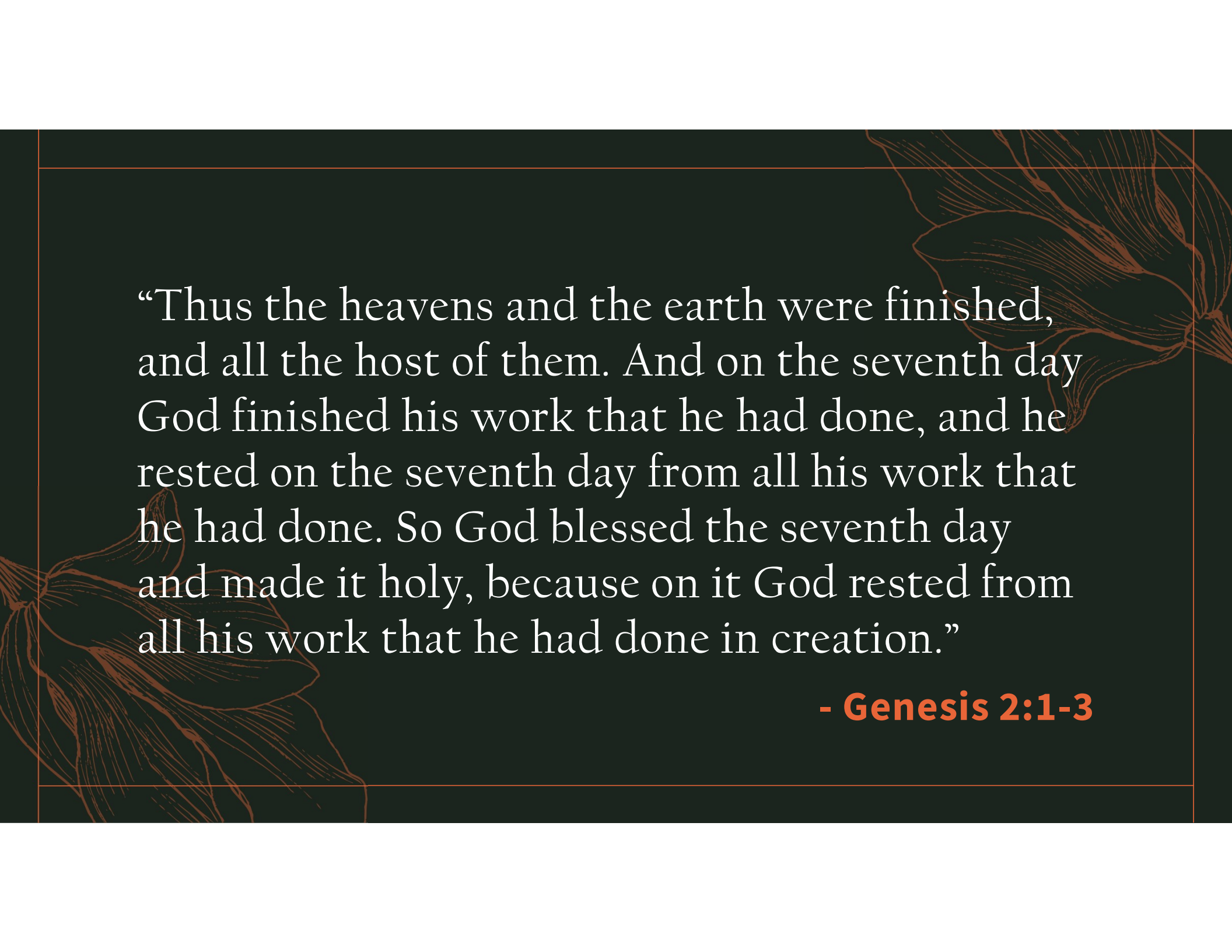
Origins





“ Did God really say? ”

- The Deceiver



“Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.”

- Genesis 2:1-3



God has spoken.

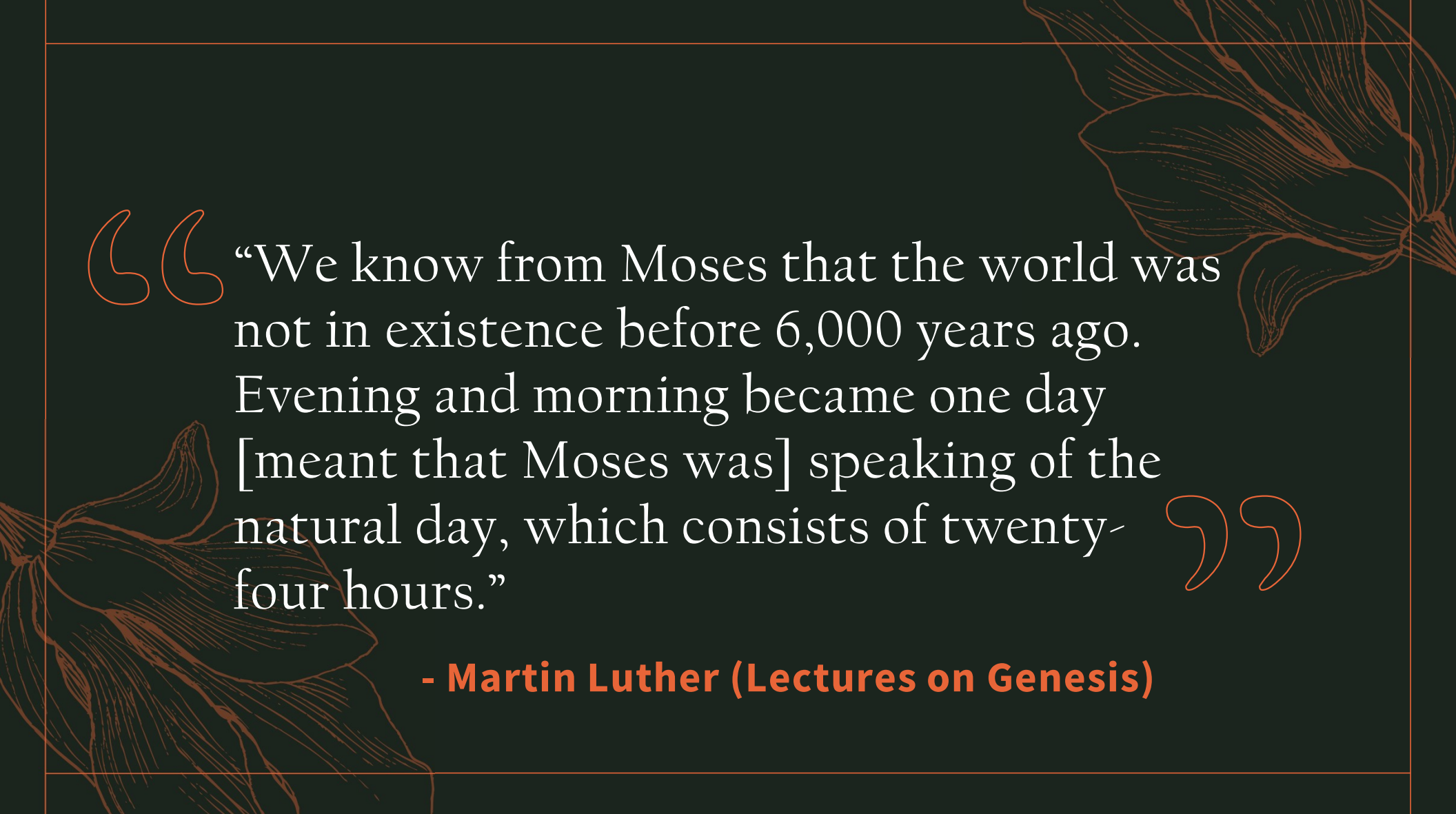
“For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth...”

- EXODUS 20:11



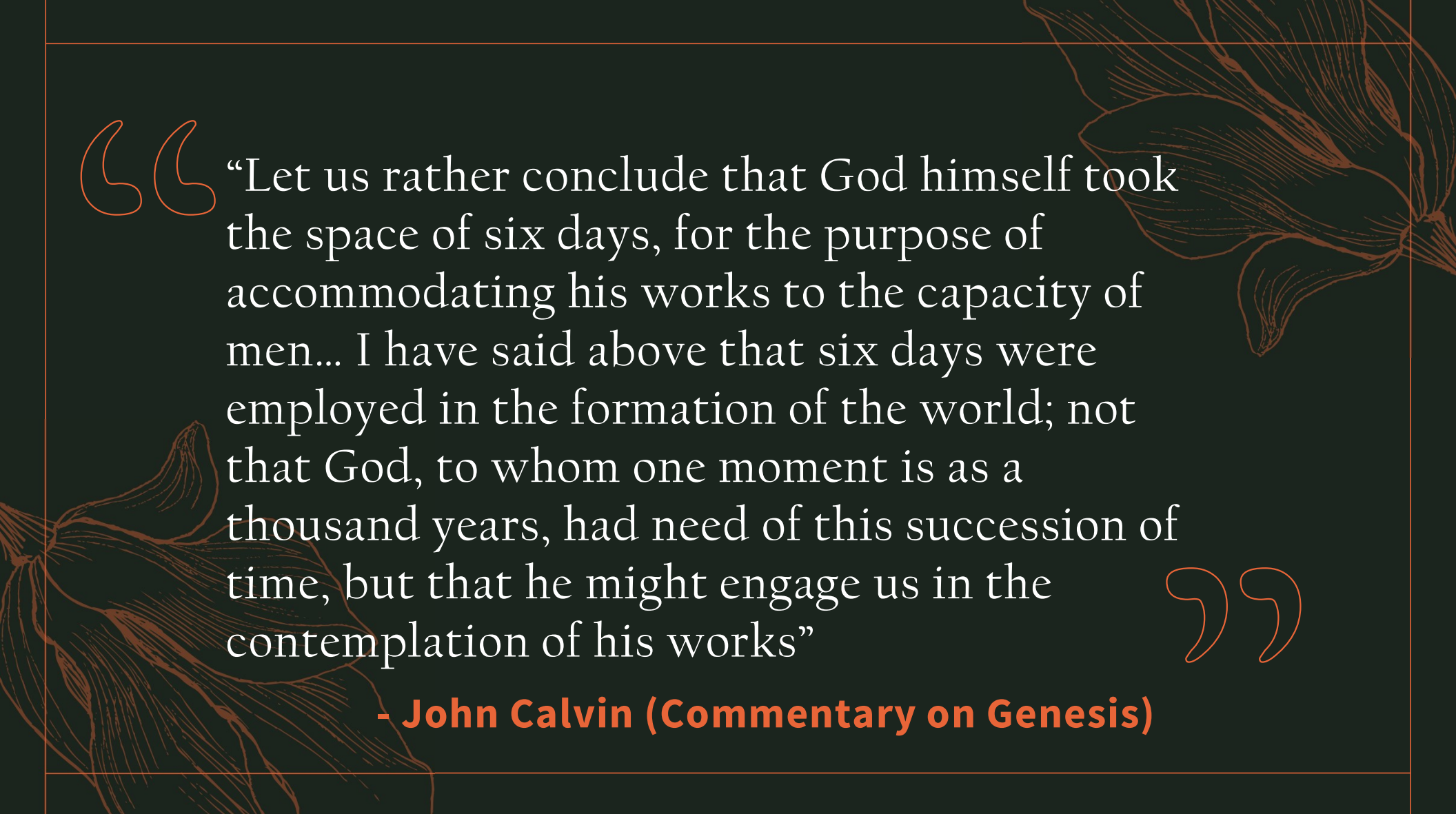
“Twenty four hours fill up the space of
one day.”

- Basil of Caesarea (329–379)



“We know from Moses that the world was not in existence before 6,000 years ago. Evening and morning became one day [meant that Moses was] speaking of the natural day, which consists of twenty-four hours.”

- Martin Luther (Lectures on Genesis)



“Let us rather conclude that God himself took the space of six days, for the purpose of accommodating his works to the capacity of men... I have said above that six days were employed in the formation of the world; not that God, to whom one moment is as a thousand years, had need of this succession of time, but that he might engage us in the contemplation of his works”

- John Calvin (Commentary on Genesis)

Ahead

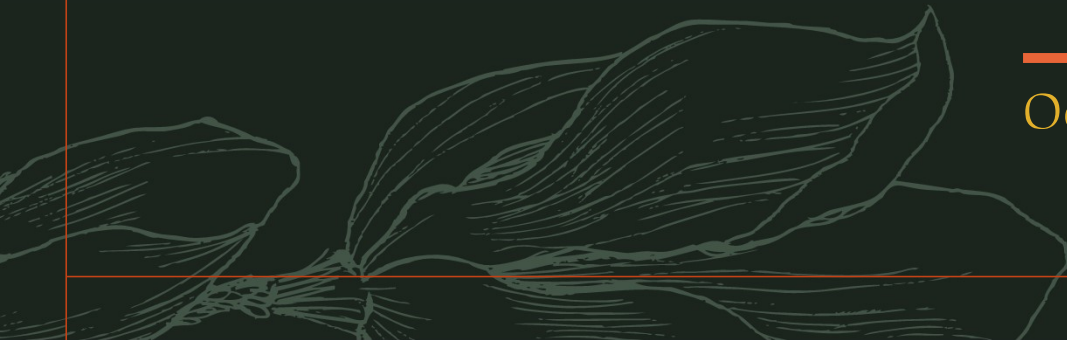
September 27 What God says

October 4th Bad Science

October 11th *No Midweek.*
Fall Conference

October 18th Good Science

October 25th Genesis PODs



Questions?

