The Promise in the Darkness

SUNDAY · NOVEMBER 29
READ Genesis 3:14-15

The story of Christmas begins long before Bethlehem. In the garden, when humanity chose rebellion over trust, God did not abandon His people. Even as He spoke judgment, He promised that a descendant of the woman would defeat the serpent. The first announcement of rescue came to people who had nothing to offer but their need. That is how grace works. Advent reminds us that God meets sinners with a promise before we have made ourselves worthy of one. Whatever failures or regrets you carry into this season, look beyond them to the promised Savior. The darkness is real, but it does not get the final word. Jesus came to crush the power of sin and bring His people home.

REFLECT

Where do you most need to remember that God's grace reaches you before your efforts do?

PRAY

Father, thank You for promising rescue when we had no way to rescue ourselves. Help us place our hope in Jesus.