

beginnings

the Gospel in Genesis










## **The War**

### **Genesis 3:15 (NIV)**

And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.”



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(the Serpent)

**The Woman**





**You**  
(the Serpent) ——— **enmity** ——— **The Woman**



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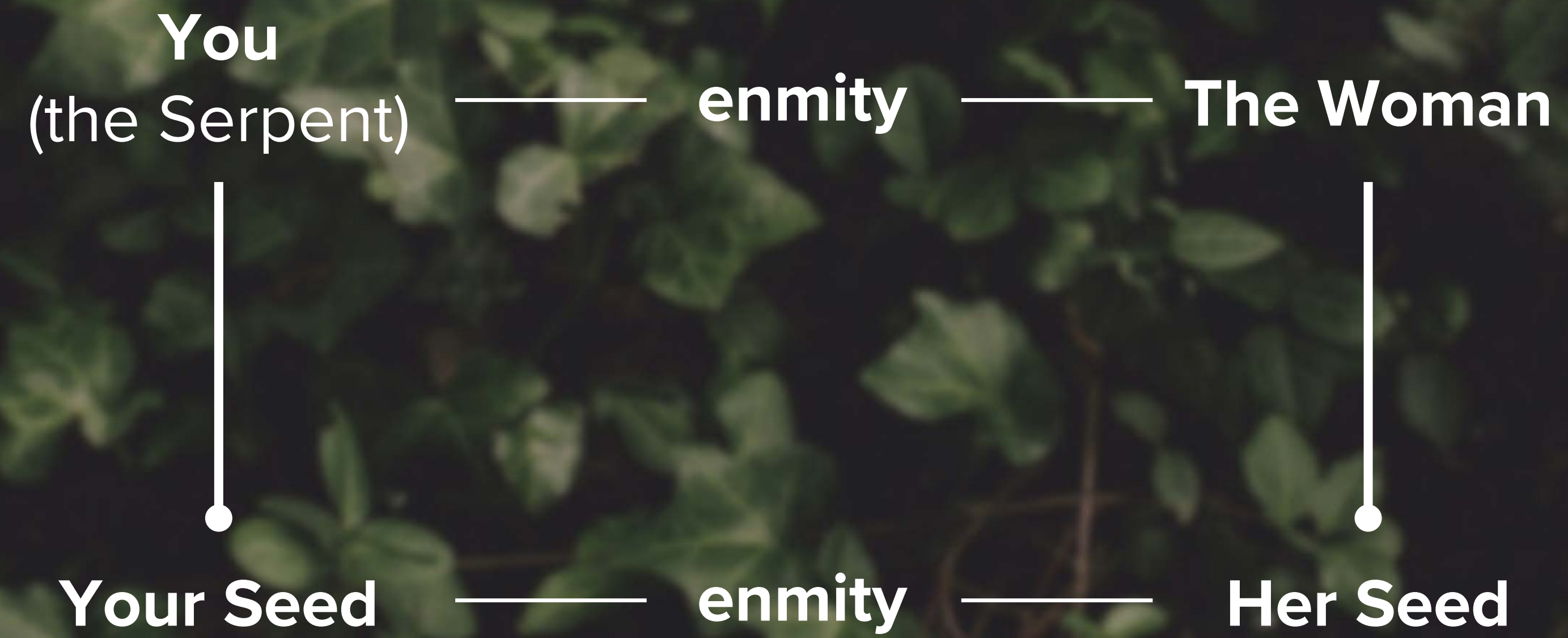
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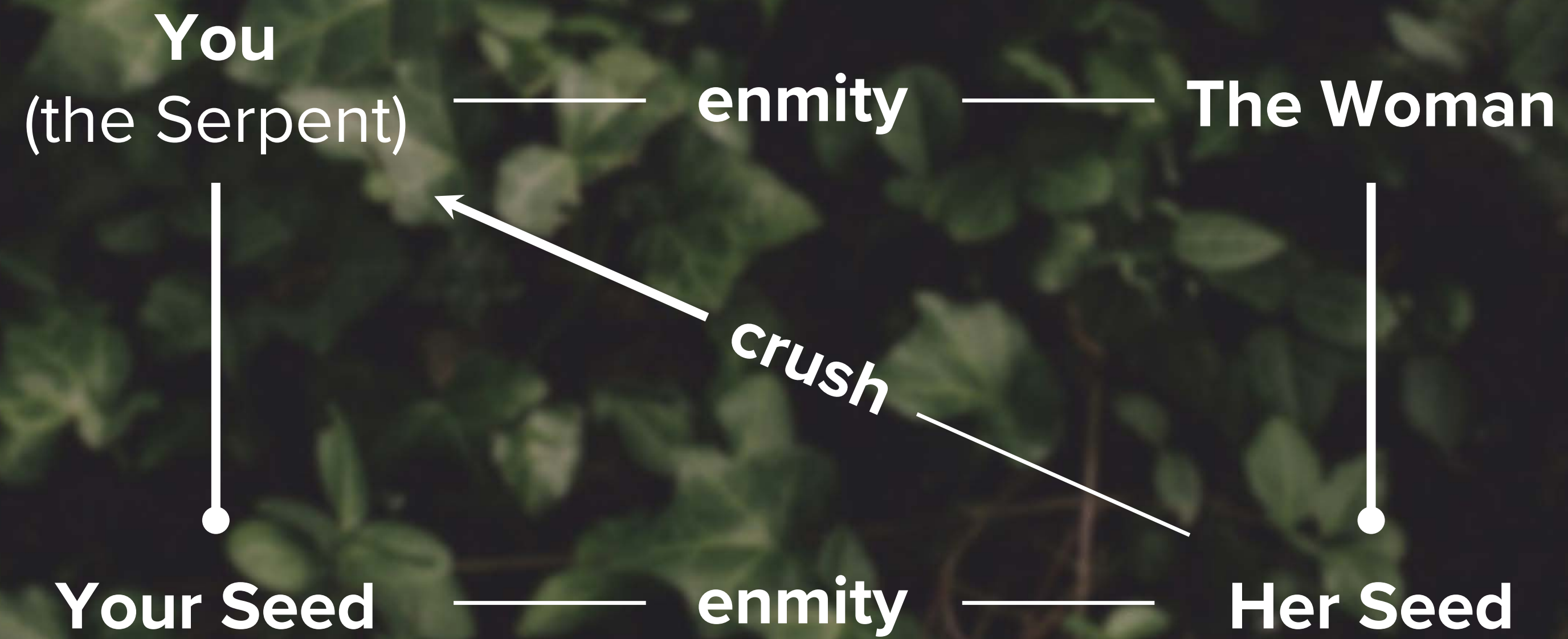
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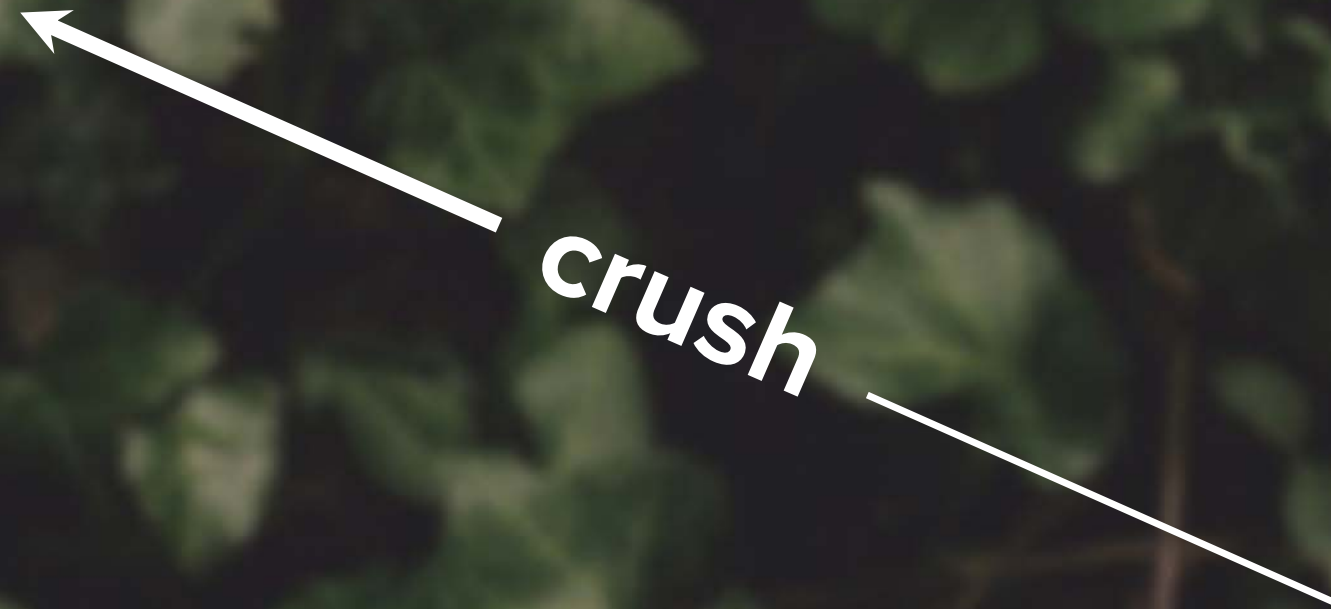




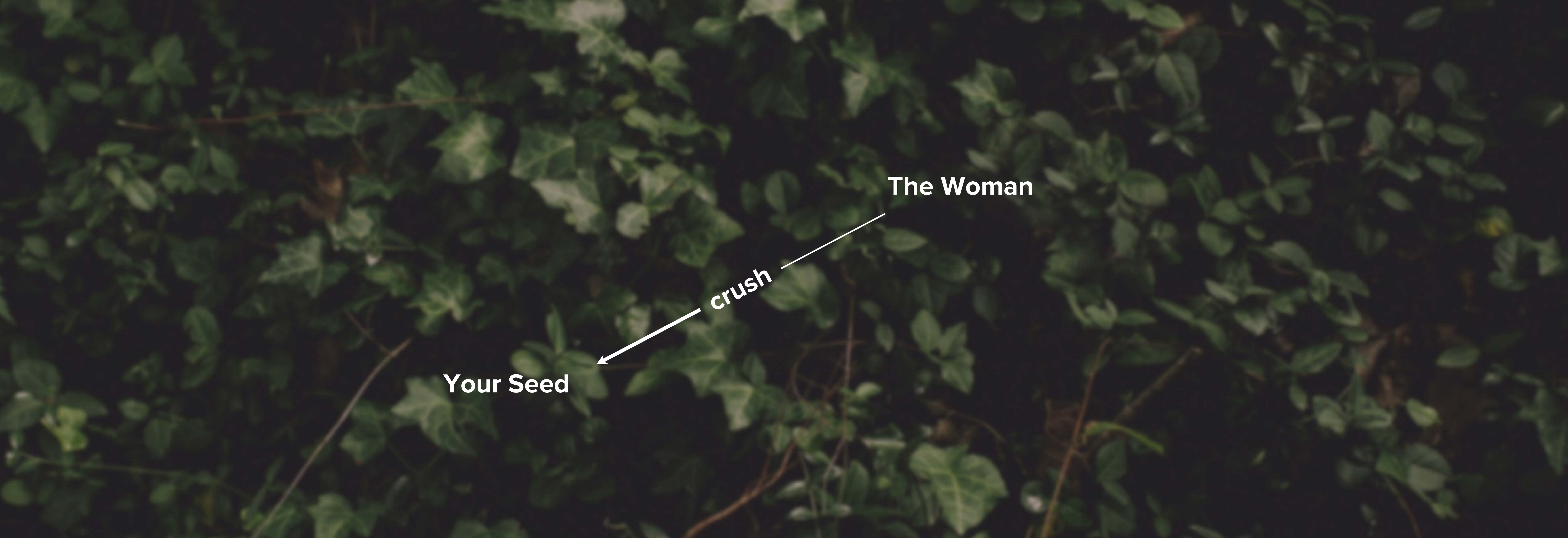
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**crush**

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**The Woman**

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**Your Seed**





### **3 Meanings of “Seed” (Waltke)**

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A single, immediate descendant

The collective descendants

A single, further removed descendant







## **The Seed**

### **Genesis 4:25-26 (NIV)**

Adam made love to his wife again, and she gave birth to a son and named him Seth, saying, “God has granted me another **child** in place of Abel, since Cain killed him.” <sup>26</sup> Seth also had a son, and he named him Enosh. At that time people began to call on the name of the Lord.





## **The Seed**

### **Genesis 5:1 (NIV)**

This is the written account of Adam's family line.





## **The Seed**

### **Genesis 9:8-9 (NIV)**

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him:  
9 “I now establish my covenant with you and with  
your **descendants** after you.”



## **The Seed**

### **Genesis 12:1-3 (NIV)**

The Lord had said to Abram, “Go from your country, your people and your father’s household to the land I will show you. <sup>2</sup> “I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup> I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.”



## **The Seed**

### **Genesis 12:7 (NIV)**

The Lord appeared to Abram and said, “To your **offspring** I will give this land.” So he built an altar there to the Lord, who had appeared to him.



## **The Seed**

### **Genesis 15:3, 5 (NIV)**

<sup>3</sup> And Abram said, “You have given me no **children**; so a servant in my household will be my heir.”

<sup>5</sup> He took him outside and said, “Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your **offspring** be.”



## **The Seed**

### **Exodus 33:1 (NIV)**

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Leave this place, you and the people you brought up out of Egypt, and go up to the land I promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your **descendants.**’”



## **The Seed**

### **2 Samuel 7:12-13 (NIV)**

When your days are over and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your **offspring** to succeed you, your own flesh and blood, and I will establish his kingdom. <sup>13</sup> He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.



## **The Seed**

### **Psalms 89:3-4 (NIV)**

You said, “I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to David my servant,  
4 ‘I will establish your **line** forever and make your throne firm through all generations.’”



## **The Seed**

### **Isaiah 53:10-11 (NIV)**

Yet it was the Lord's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the Lord makes his life an offering for sin, he will see his **offspring** and prolong his days, and the will of the Lord will prosper in his hand. <sup>11</sup> After he has suffered, he will see the light of life and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities.





# **The Seed**

## **Matthew 1:1 (NIV)**

This is the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah the son of David, the son of Abraham.



## **The Seed**

### **Luke 3:23-38 (NIV)**

Now Jesus himself was about thirty years old when he began his ministry. He was the son, so it was thought, of Joseph...

...the son of David...

...the son of Abraham...

...the son of Adam, the son of God.



## **The Seed**

### **Romans 1:2-4 (NIV)**

The gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures <sup>3</sup> regarding his Son, who as to his earthly life was a **descendant** of David, <sup>4</sup> and who through the Spirit of holiness was appointed the Son of God in power by his resurrection from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord.



## **The Seed**

### **Galatians 3:16 (NIV)**

The promises were spoken to Abraham and to his **seed**.  
Scripture does not say “and to seeds,” meaning many people, but “and to your seed,” meaning one person, who is Christ.





## **The Seed**

### **Revelation 22:3-4 (NIV)**

No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. <sup>4</sup> They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads.



## **The Solution**

“The essence of sin is we human beings substituted ourselves for God, while the essence of salvation is God substituting himself for us. We put ourselves where only God deserves to be; God puts himself where we deserve to be.”

- **John Stott**



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**God's solution for Eve's  
sorrow is Mary's son.**