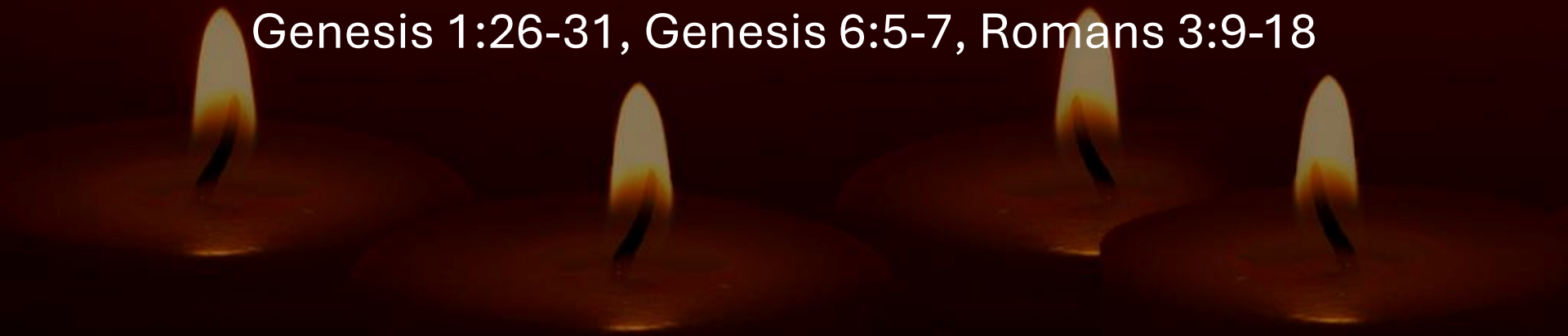


Advent

The Need For Advent

Genesis 1:26-31, Genesis 6:5-7, Romans 3:9-18



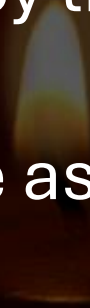
Sinful By Nature

- Men and women are sinful by nature.
- Modern man likes to believe he is basically good.
- Society is at an all-time moral low.
- Sin contaminates every aspect of our humanity.
- We are by nature enemies of God, lovers of self and in bondage to our own sin.



Sin Has Corrupted Our Character

- Paul says that because of our innate depravity, people are universally evil.
- Not a single person who has ever lived can be characterized as righteous by God's standards.
- Our corrupt nature is clearly revealed when our lives are measured by the absolute standard of Divine holiness.
- Every baby starts life as a little savage.



Sin Has Defiled Our Conduct

- A person's character inevitably manifests itself in his conversation.
- We are a destructive people.
- Since the turn of the 20th century, twice as many people have been killed in private acts of murder than have been killed in all the wars of our history as a country.
- We are totally depraved.



Conclusion

- There was no greater need in all the world than for the coming of Christ, our Savior.
- Life would be depressing and hopeless if it was not for Advent.
- We can rejoice because after seeing what kind of state we were in, Christ still came.
- What a glorious message Advent is.

