**4 “You will not surely die,” the serpent said to the woman.**

The Nahas \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The Nahas \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the consequences.

**5 “For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”**

The Nahas \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Eden isn’t a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, it’s a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.**

The Nahas’ influence is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Genesis 3:1-6 poses the most critical set of**

**questions we’ll face in our lives:**

* Can I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?
* Who \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?
* Is the Creator \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

**Questions for Small Group Discussion**

1. As a result of this message, what stands out to you from this section of Scripture that hadn’t before?

2. Why is it important to recognize that the Nahas often comes to us in a form that is beautiful and “shining” to tempt us?

3. Which strategy of the Nahas from this passage do you find yourself most susceptible to? How could you use this knowledge to your spiritual advantage?

4. In light of this passage, how is our knowledge of God’s Word related to our susceptibility to be deceived?

5. Read Jesus’ temptation by Satan (Nahas) in Matthew 4:1-11. Do you notice any parallels between Jesus’ temptation and the temptation in the garden? How did Jesus stand against the devil’s schemes?

6. How can this passage prompt us to pray for ourselves and each other?

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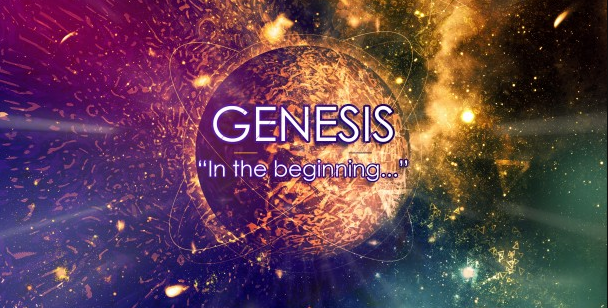
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**Order of Worship (i.e. What’s Happening)**

Gathering Song  
Prayer of Preparation  
2 song  
Communion  
Passing of the Peace  
Offering  
1 song  
Advent Candle Lighting  
Sermon  
1 song  
Announcements  
Benediction





**Sermon Notes**

**“Genesis 3a: The Nahas”**

**Genesis 2:8–9   
8 Now the Lord God had planted a garden in the east, in Eden; and there he put the man he had formed. 9 And the Lord God made all kinds of trees grow out of the ground—trees that were pleasing to the eye and good for food. In the middle of the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.**

**Genesis 2:15–17  
15 The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. 16 And the Lord God commanded the man, “You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; 17 but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will surely die.”**

**Genesis 3:1–6**

**1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made.**

*Nahas* (snake) is linguistically connected to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The source of temptation often presents itself to us as something \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (2 Corinthians 11:14)

**He said to the woman, “Did God really say, ‘You must not eat from any tree in the garden’?”**

The Nahas \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ God’s word.

The Nahas \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ God’s words.

**2 The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, 3 but God did say, ‘You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.’ ”**

Eve \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ God’s invitation and

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ God’s command.

**We are glad you’re here!**

Children up to grade 5 will be invited upstairs approximately mid-way through our service. A staffed nursery is also available upstairs.



**IGNITE JR. YOUTH** – Grade 6-8 youth are welcome to join us Tuesdays from 3:30pm-5:00pm.

**IMPACT YOUTH** – Grade 9-12 students are welcome to join us Wednesdays from 7:00-9:00pm.

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