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**THE BIG STORY**  
COURSE: *THE FALL*

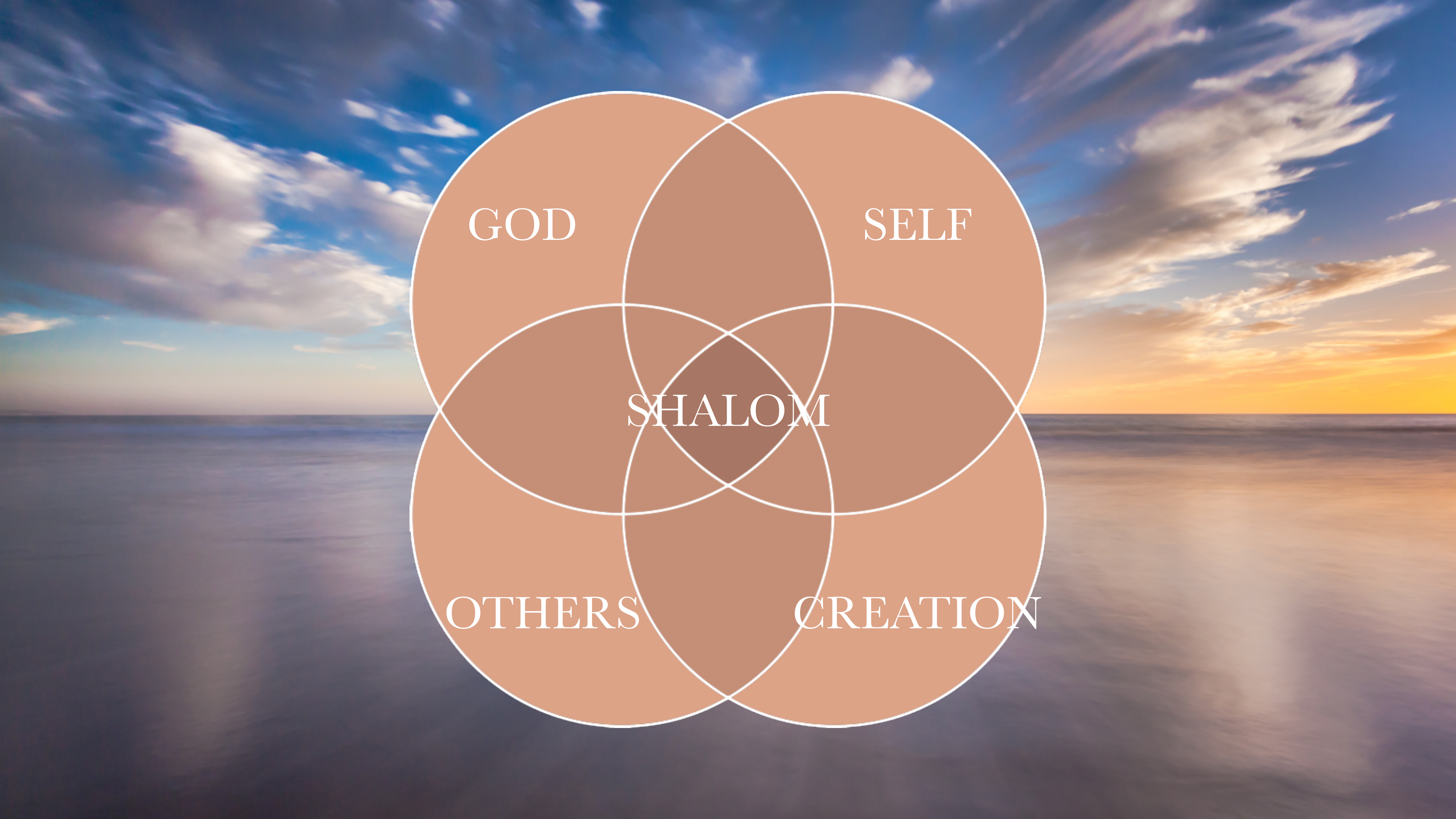
We will begin shortly but before we do, please mute yourself and make sure you are in Speaker View. Using the chat feature, answer the question, “**What has been particularly difficult for you in this season?**”



## GENESIS 3

1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God really say, ‘You must not eat from any tree in the garden?’” 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.’” 4 “You will not certainly die,” the serpent said to the woman. 5 “For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”





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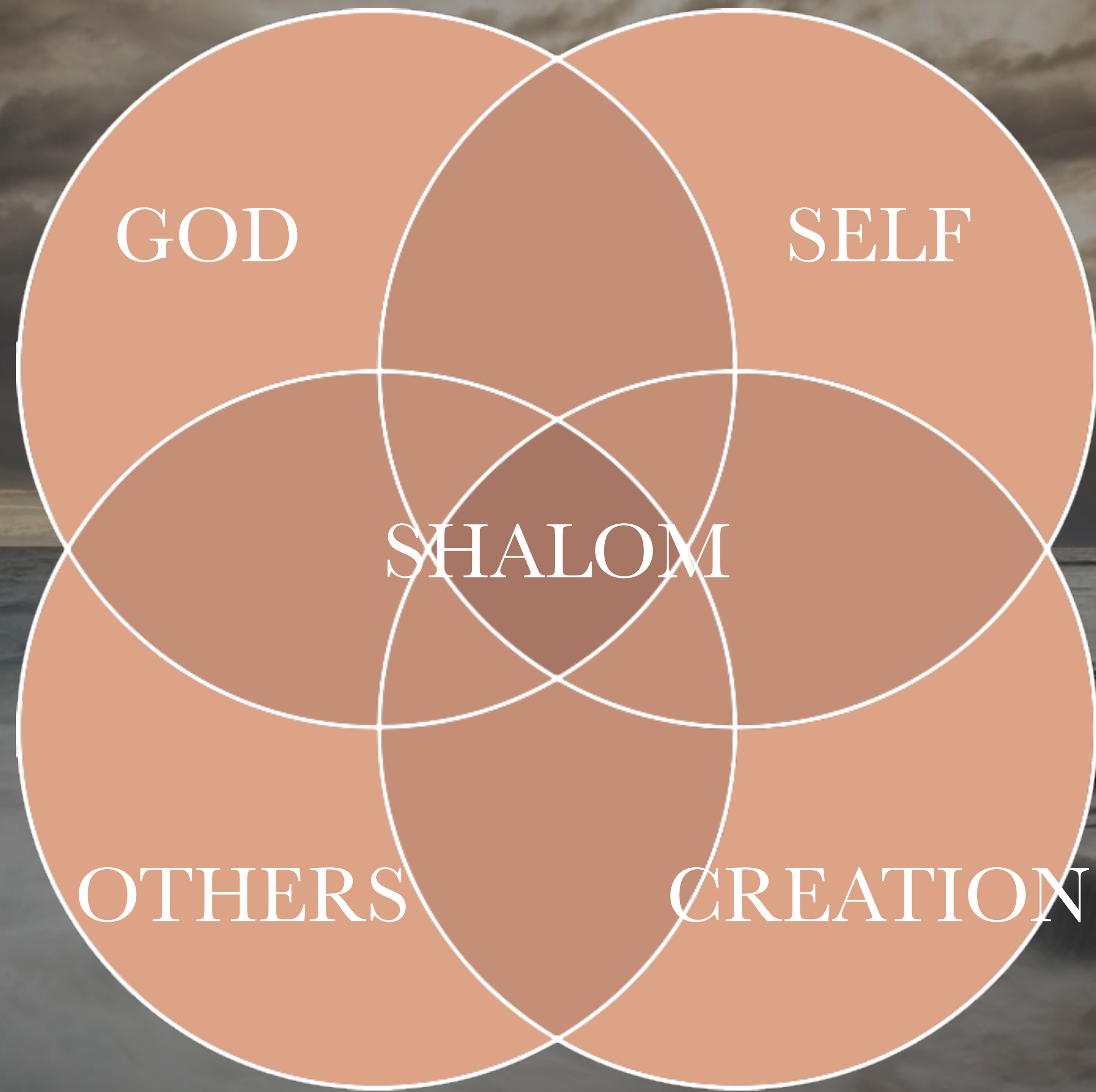












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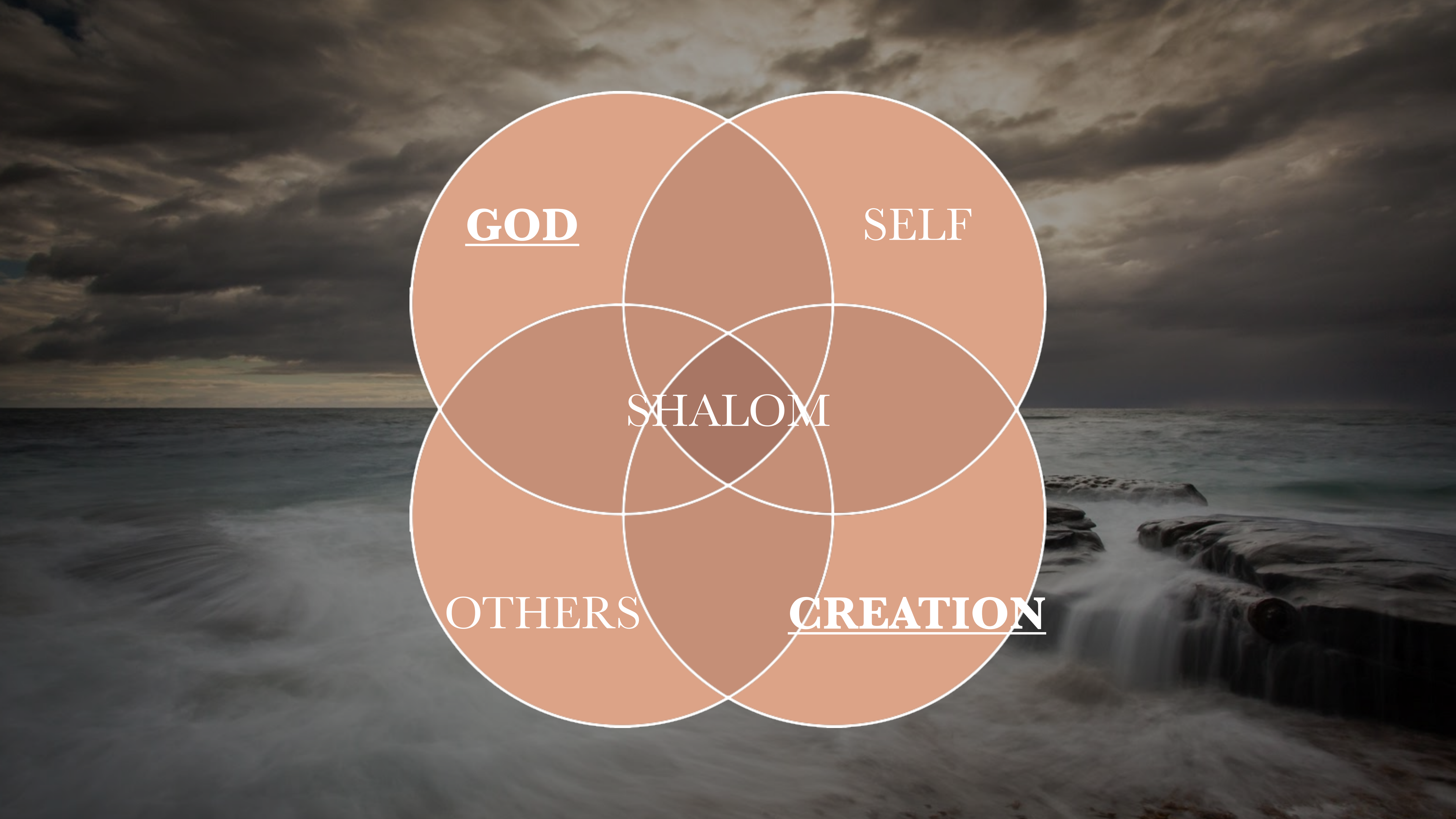
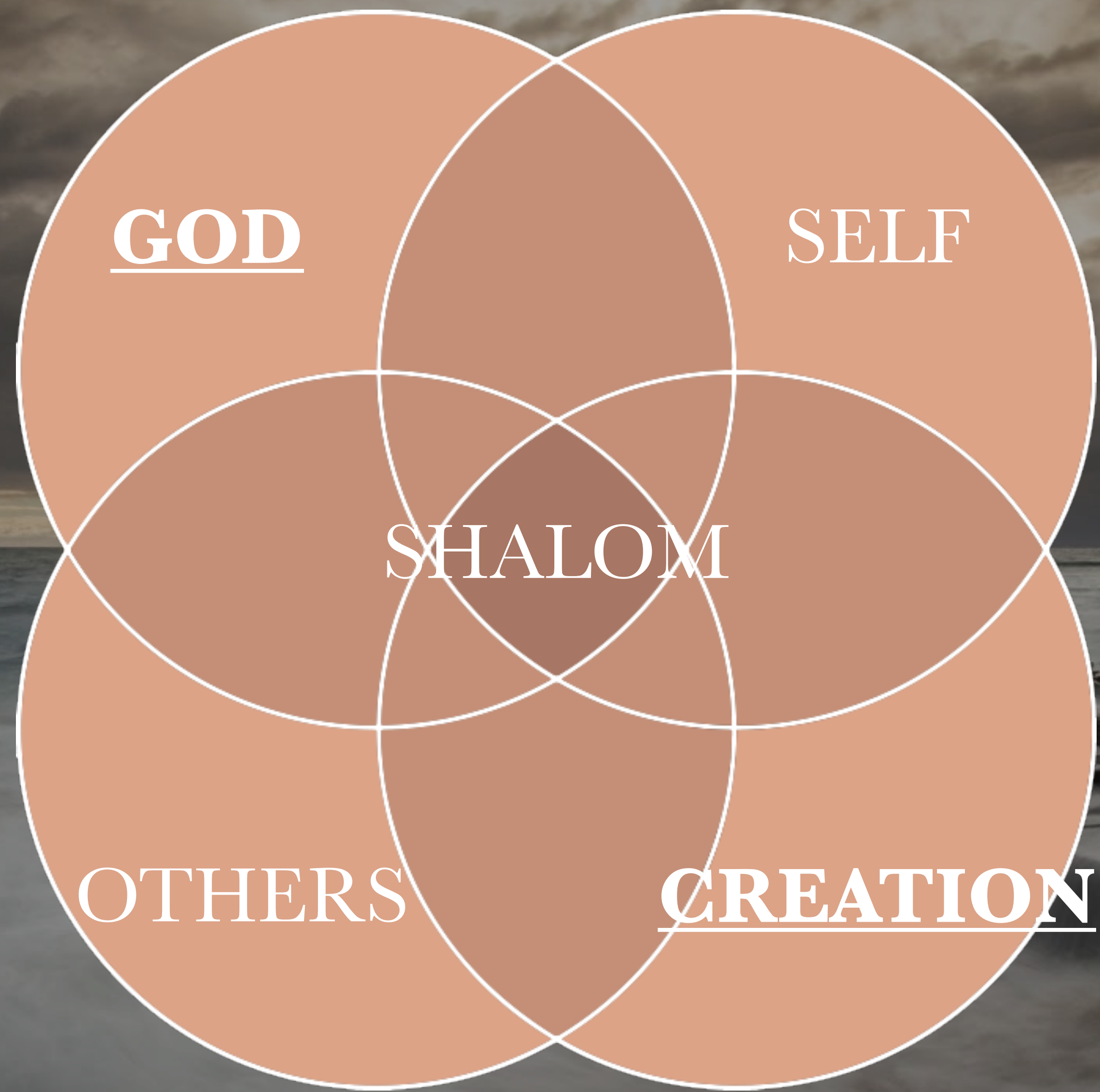
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*We must stress that the Bible teaches plainly that Adam and Eve's fall into sin was not just an isolated act of disobedience but an event of catastrophic significance for creation as a whole. - Albert Wolters*

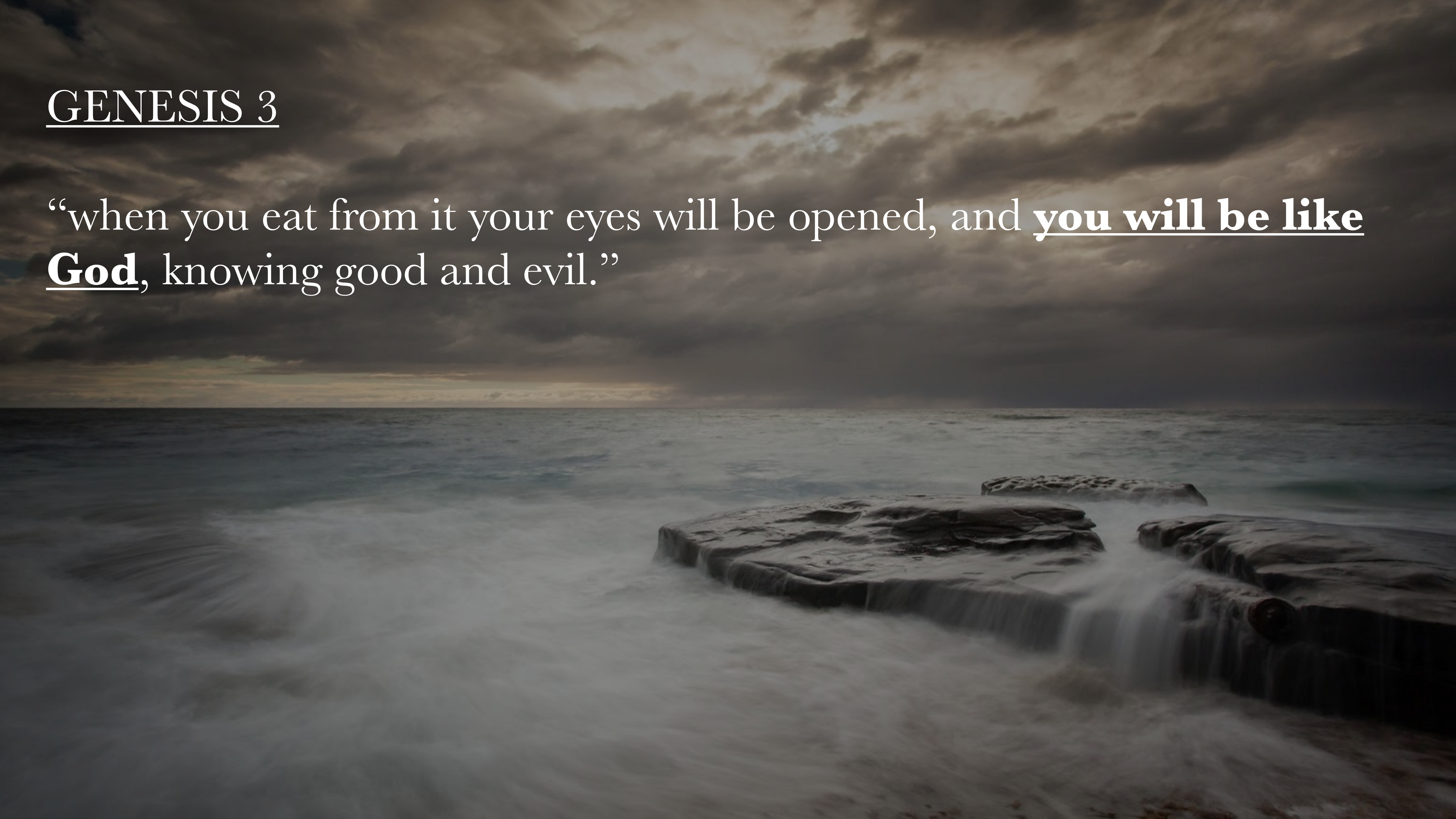






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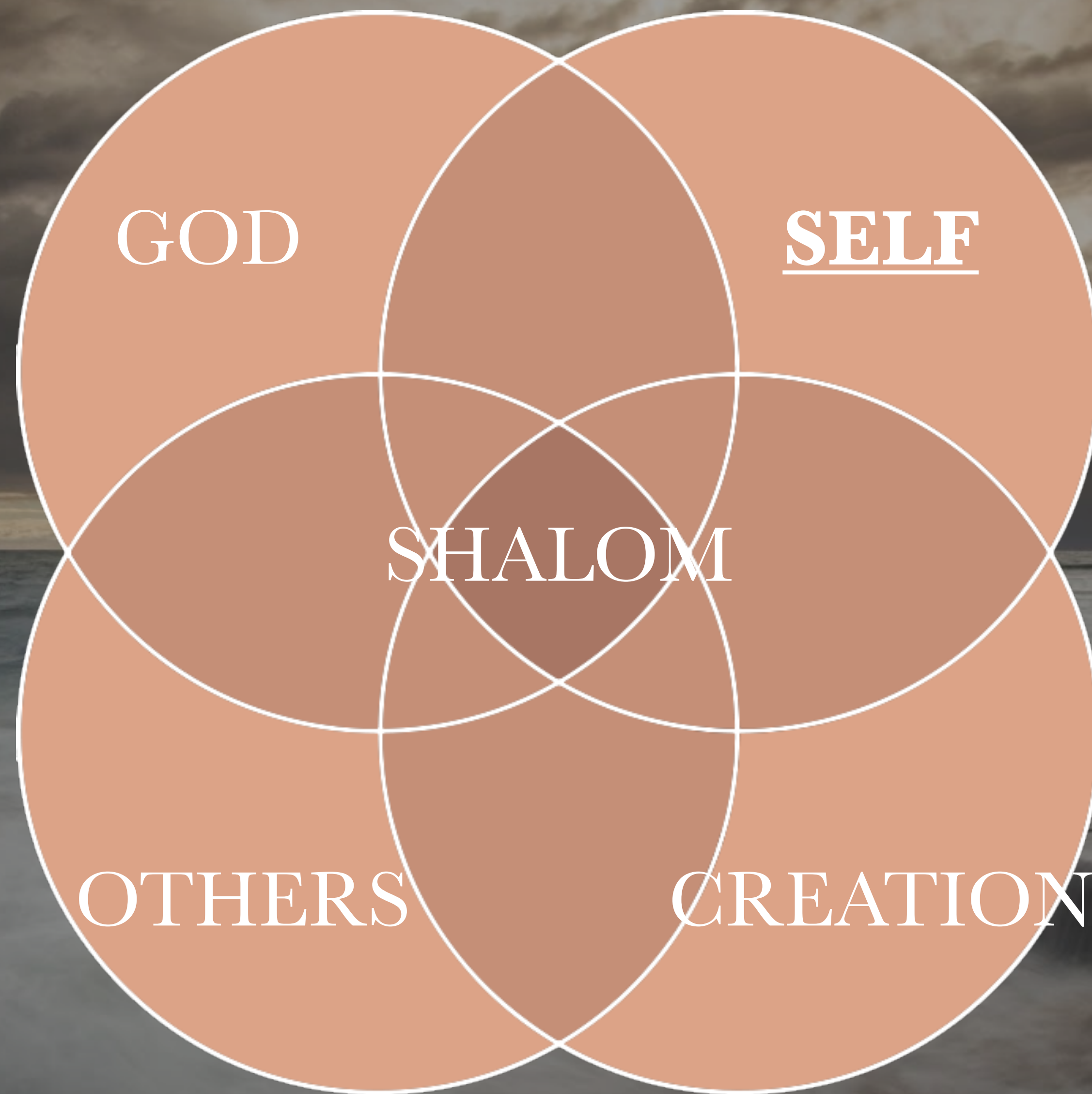






*My wife and I once knew a single woman, Anna, who wanted desperately to have children. She eventually married, and contrary to the expectations of her doctors, was able to bear two healthy children despite her age. But her dreams did not come true. Her overpowering drive to give her children a perfect life made it impossible for her to actually enjoy them. Her overprotectiveness, fears and anxieties, and her need to control every detail of her children's lives made the family miserable. Anna's oldest child did poorly in school and showed signs of serious emotional problems. The younger child was filled with anger. There's a good chance her drive to give her children wonderful lives will actually be the thing that ruins them. Getting her heart's deepest desire may end up being the worst thing that ever happened to her. - Tim Keller*





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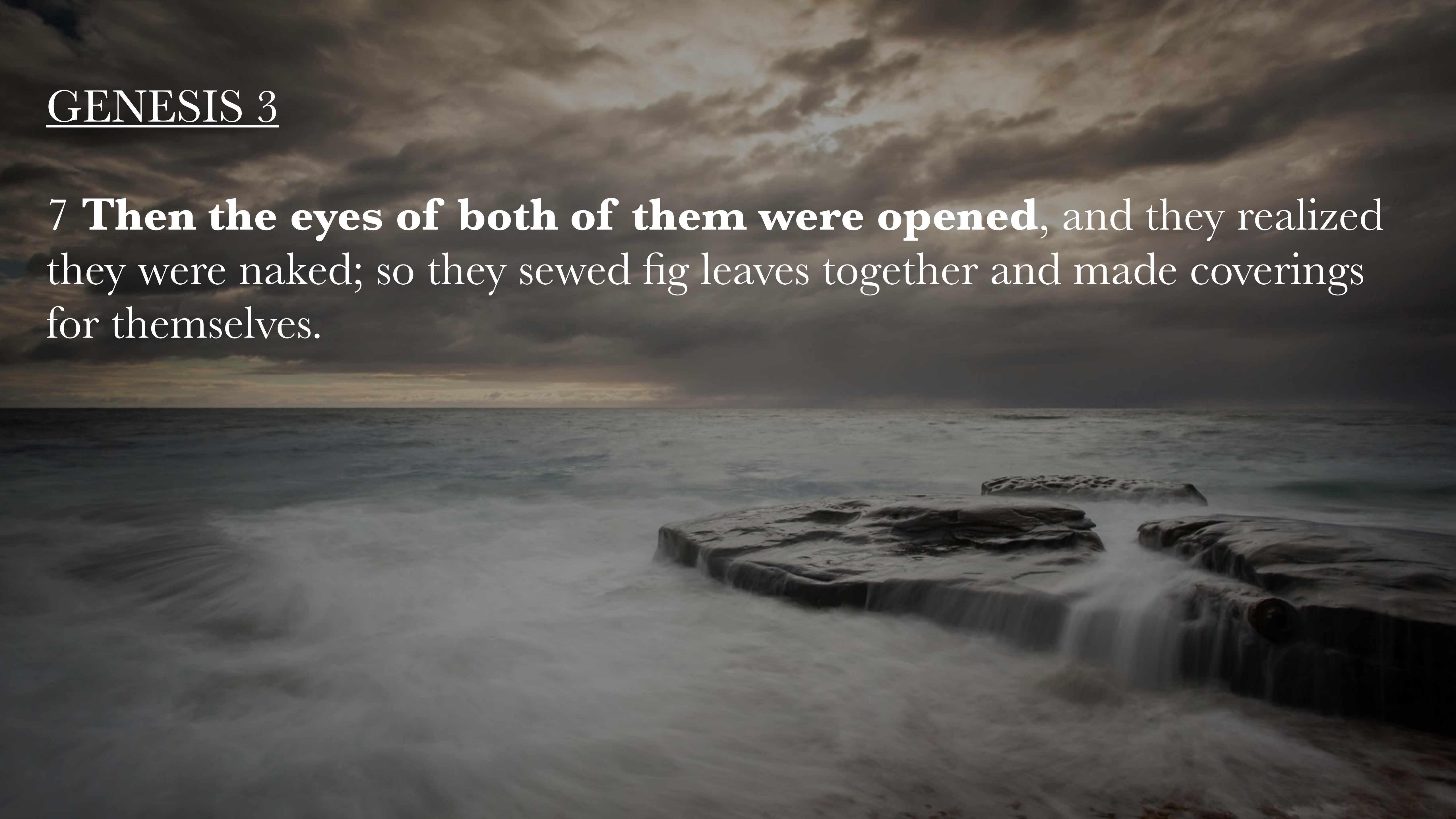
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**7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened,** and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.



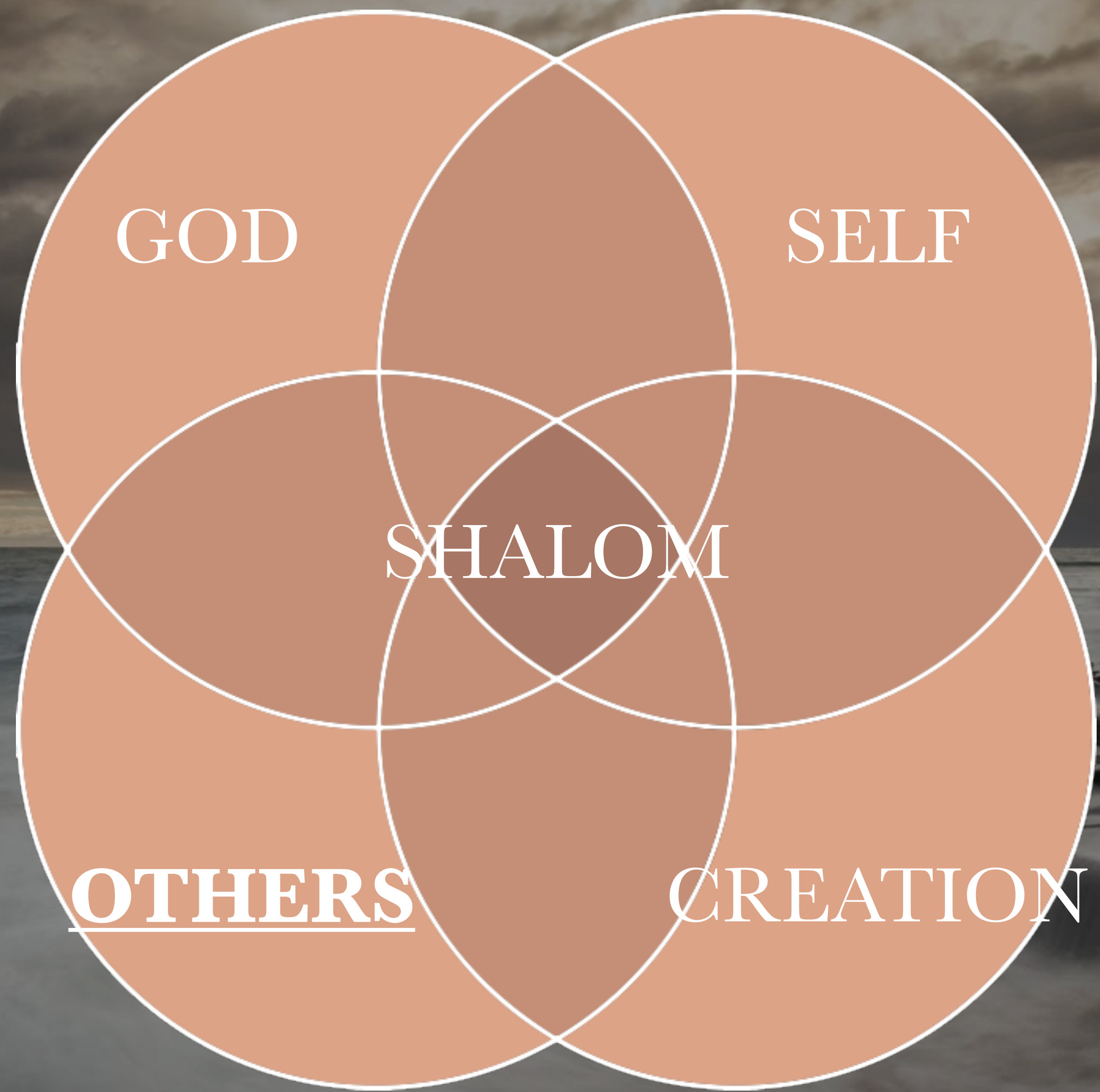




*In the end, shame leaves us standing alone—separated from one another. It causes us to lash out, then tells us to cover our sin, to deny it and defend it and spin it. And on the flip side, shame leads us to craft armor to protect our hearts from more disengagement and separation. This is what it looks like to sew a protective covering of fig leaves, to believe the foundational lie that this sin, ours or theirs, is confirmation that we are, indeed, worth nothing behind the fig leaves ...*

*- Brene Brown*





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11 And God said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?” 12 The man said, **“The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it.”**



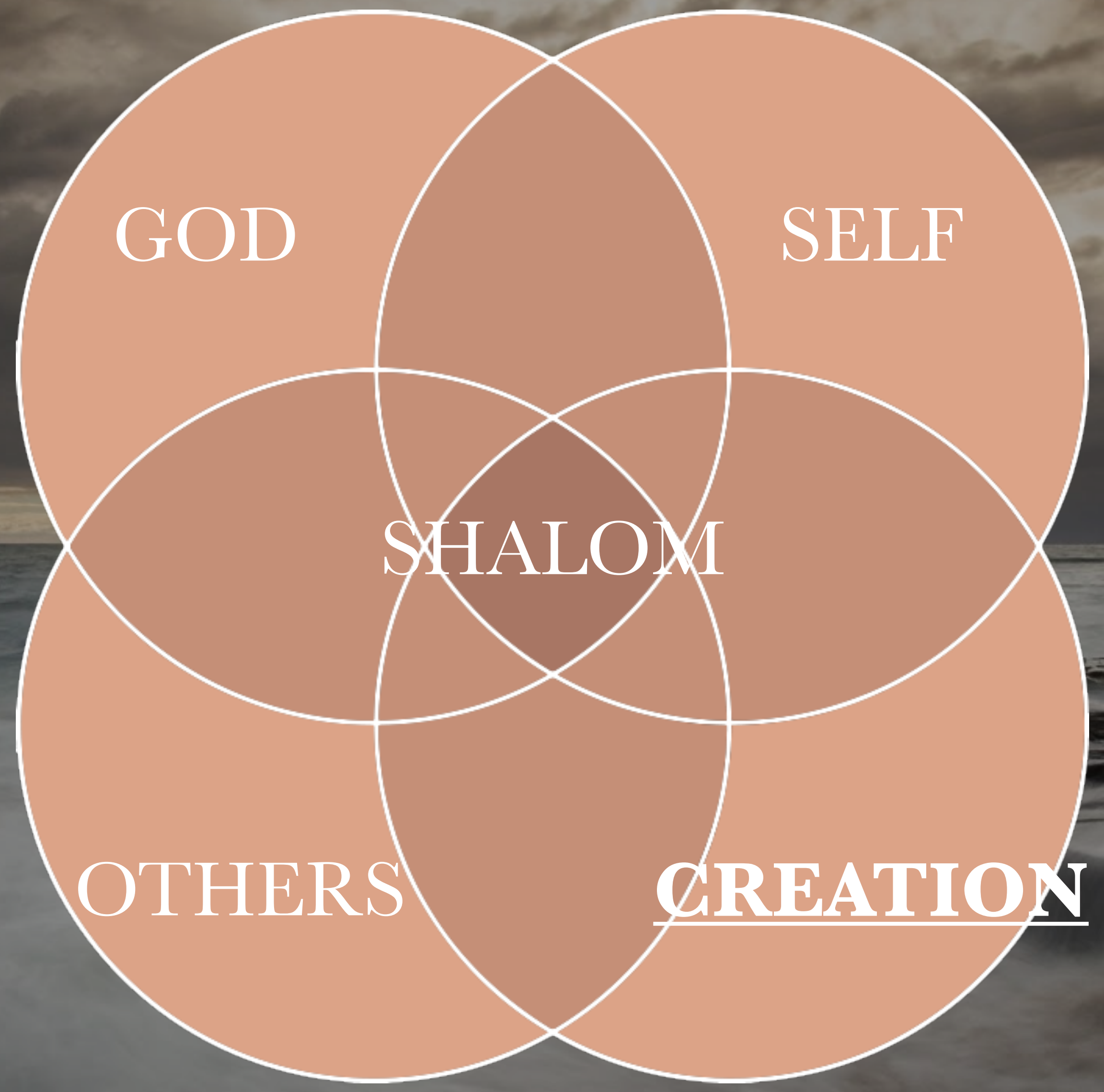
A dramatic seascape at sunset or sunrise. The sky is filled with heavy, dark clouds, with a bright glow on the horizon where the sun is setting or rising. The ocean is dark and turbulent, with white foam from waves crashing against large, dark rocks in the foreground. The overall mood is somber and powerful.

Tsaddiq/ Tsaddiqim (Prov. 11:1-31):

A person of peace/ shalom

A person who pursues justice/ shalom





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16 To the woman he said, **“I will make your pains in childbearing very severe; with painful labor you will give birth to children.** 17 To Adam he said, “Because you listened to your wife and ate fruit from the tree about which I commanded you, ‘You must not eat from it,’ **“Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat food from it all the days of your life.**



# GROUP DISCUSSION

1. How does your vocation give you a unique vantage point into the brokenness of the world?”

