



# What do we believe about Salvation?

## What is the problem?

With the whole Christian Church, the United Reformed Church acknowledges that there is something in human nature and experience which is a cause for concern. There is something about us which has fallen short of God's intention and, as a result, there is something about our relationship with each other

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... and with God. We sometimes confess our humankind. This is a misunderstanding.

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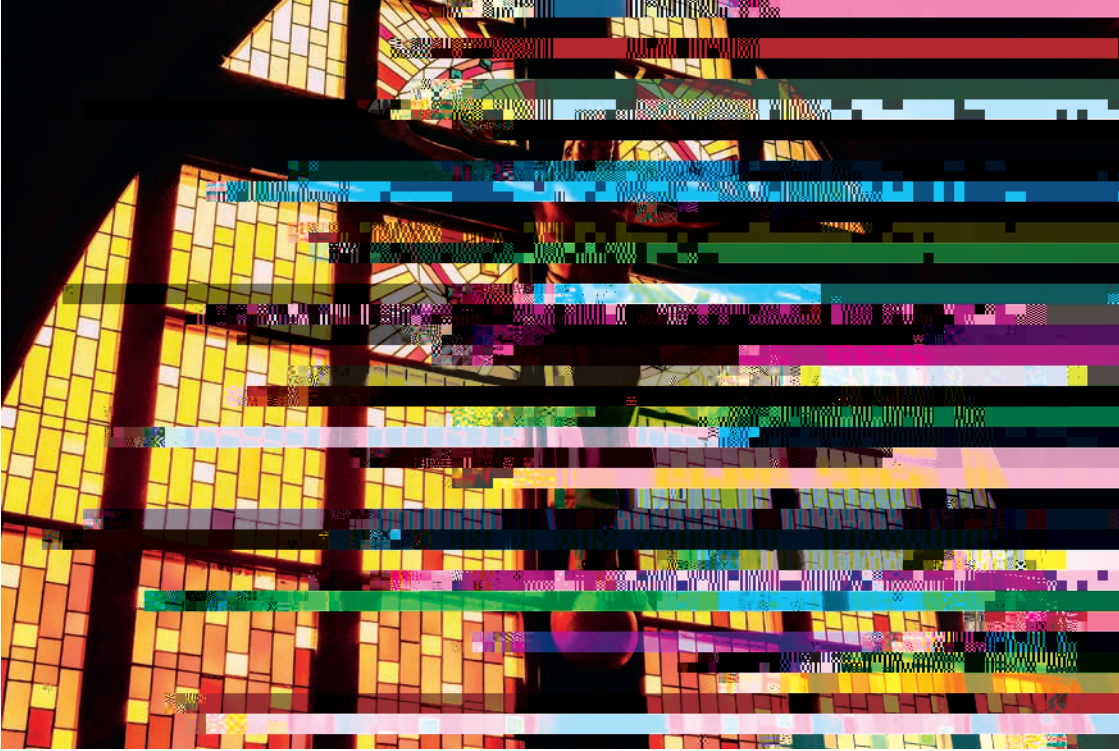
God – though the sense of disobedience is clear. The ... the Garden points us to ... temptation: we want to be like, or we want to be, God.

'The temptation is for us to place ourselves at the centre of the universe'

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## Made whole

The restoration or reconciliation that God brings to our world is

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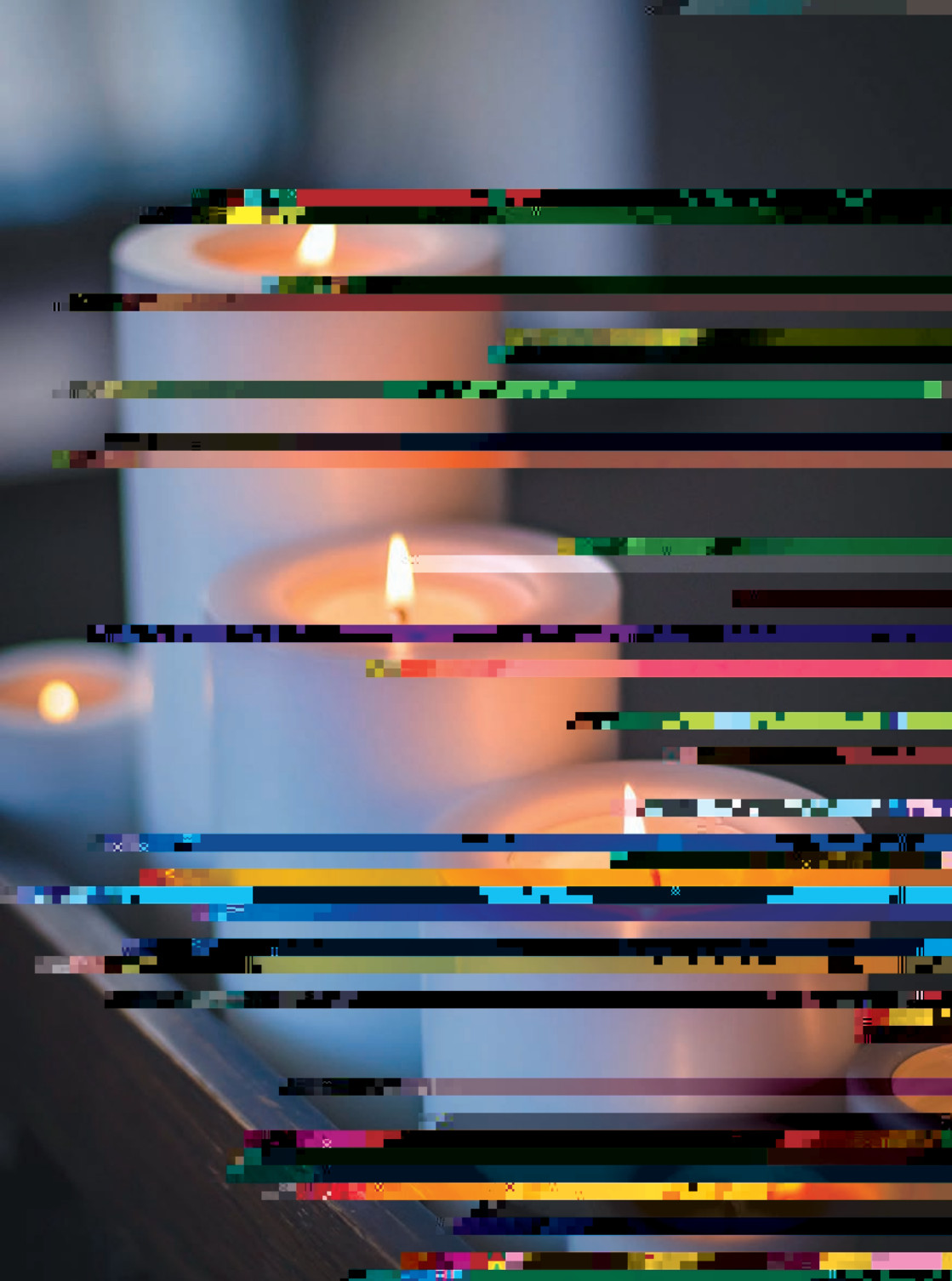
‘Salvation is not deserved or earned.’

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