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Be Established

1 Chronicles

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Oh, no... I hit the genealogies



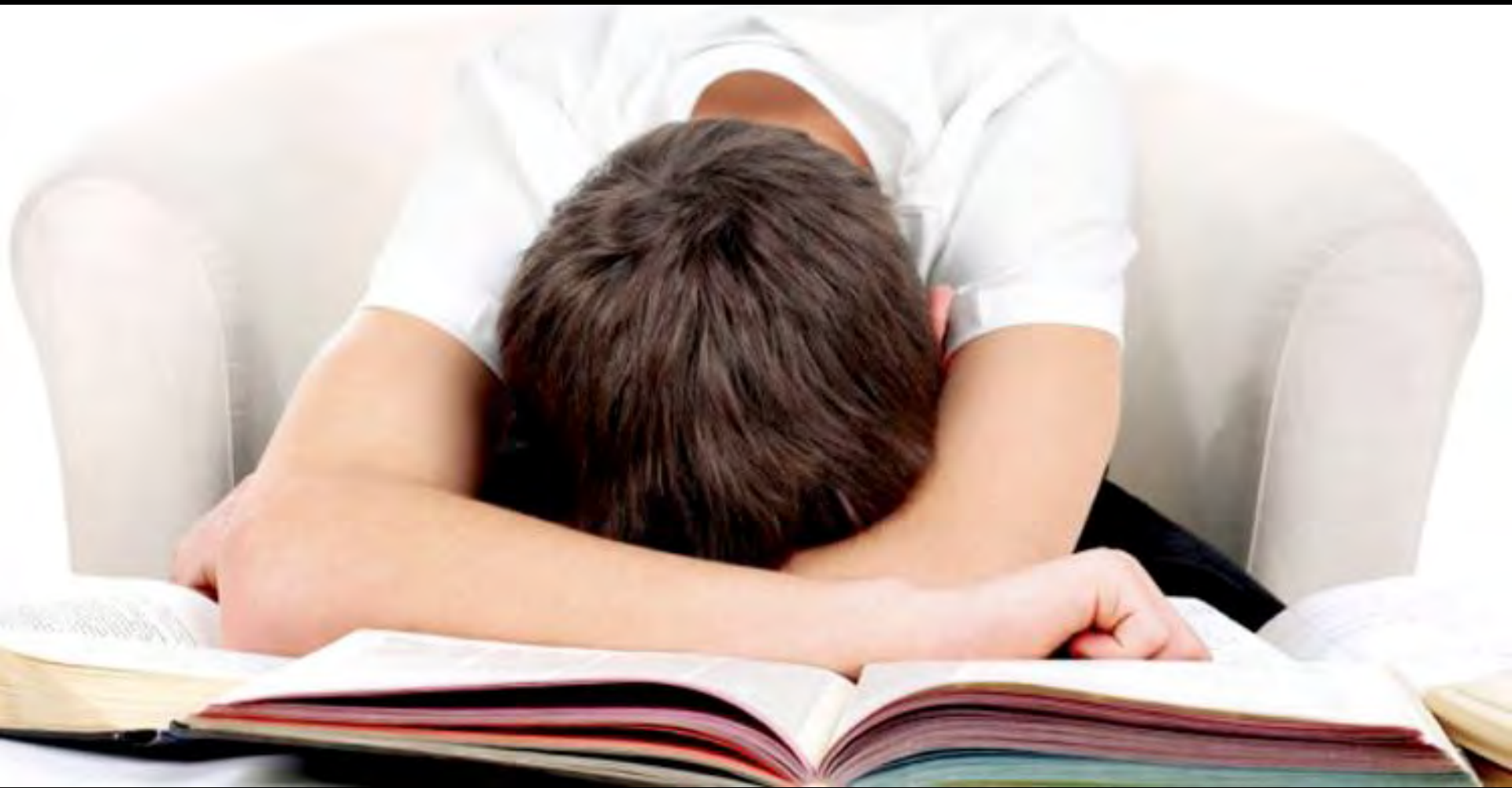
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What's the point?

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What's the point?



Here's a great way to catch up on your sleep?

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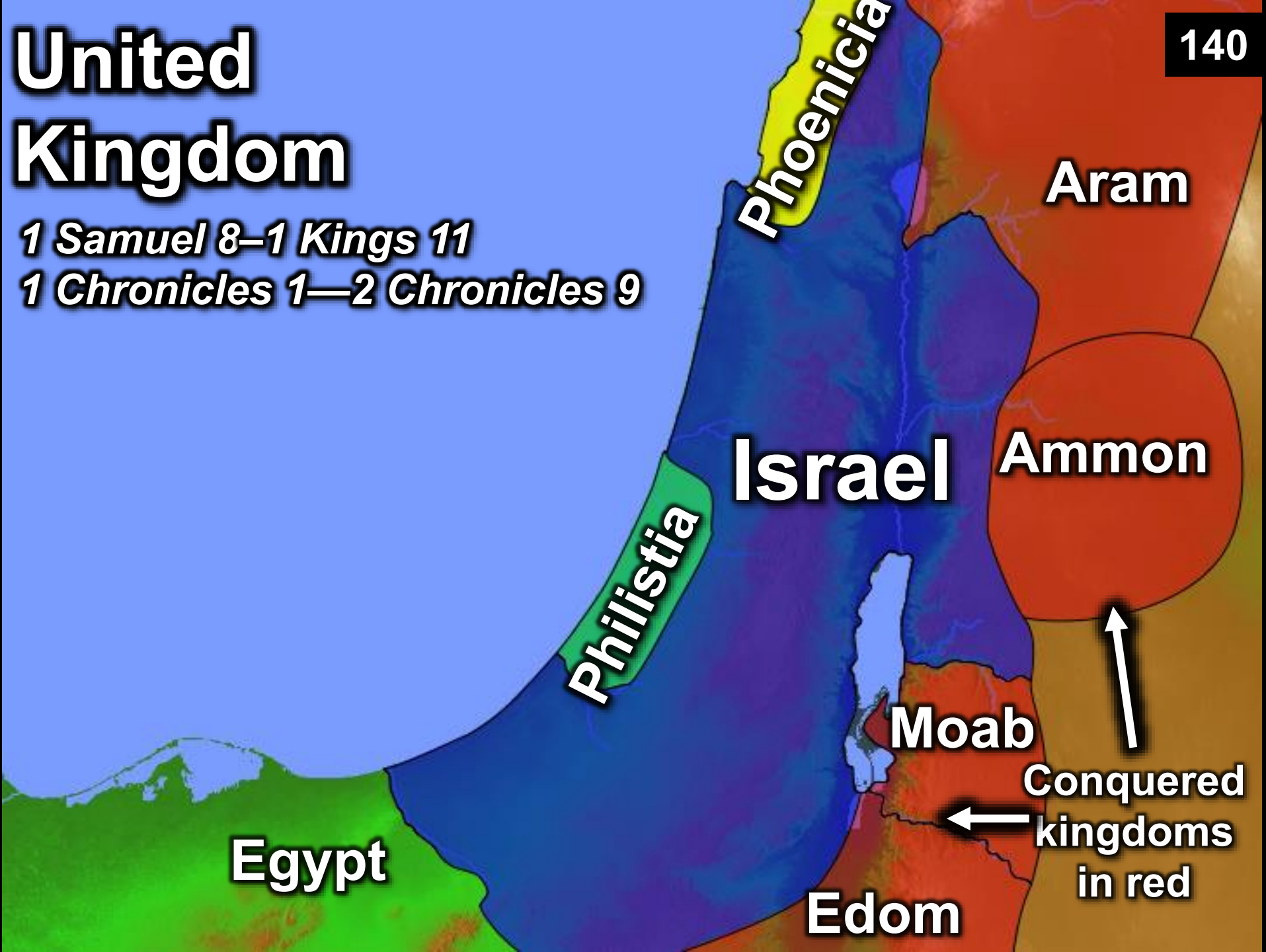
The throne is empty but David's descendants continue

United Kingdom

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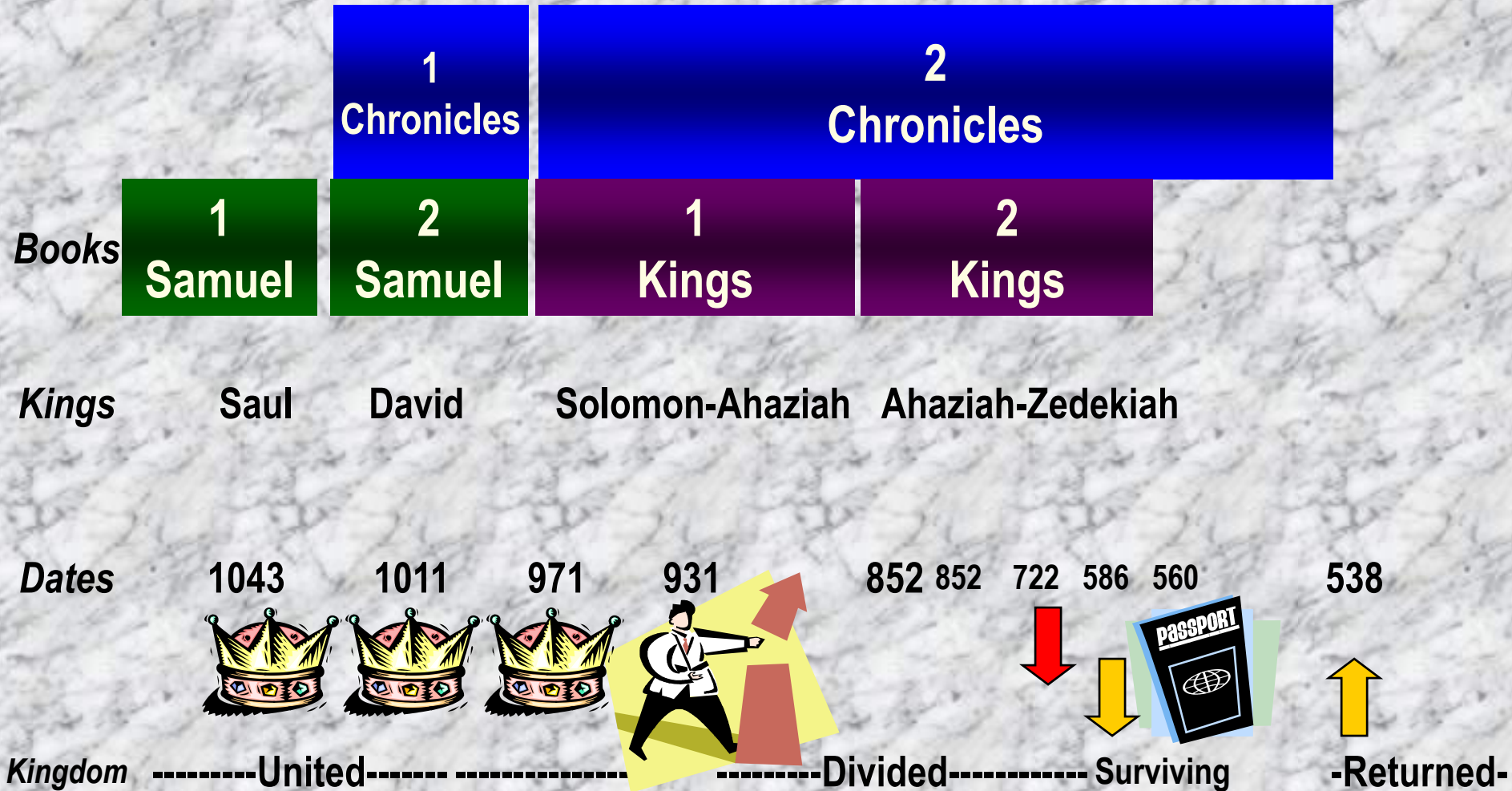
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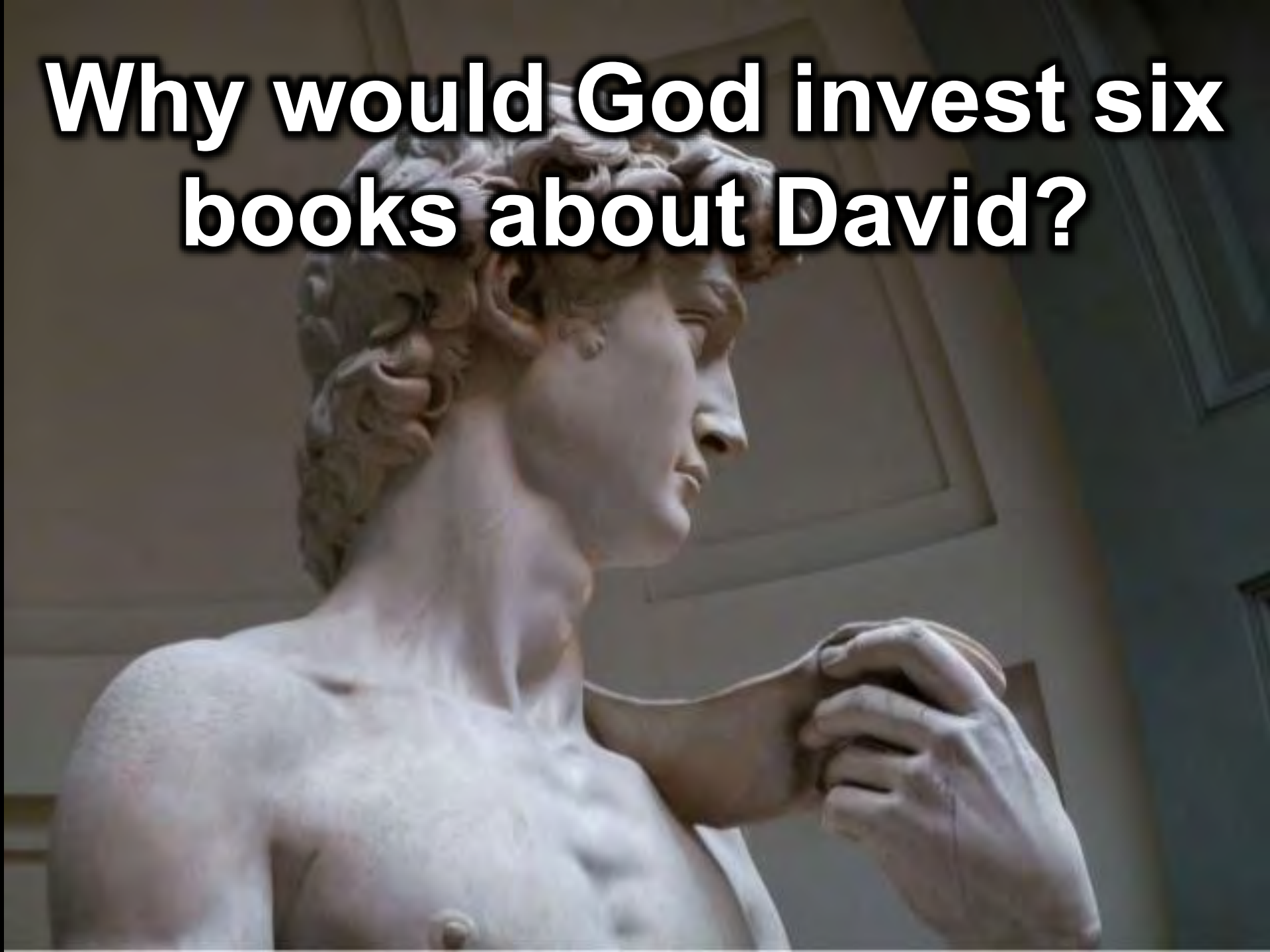


Making Sense of Samuel, Kings, and Chronicles

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**Why would God invest six
books about David?**



Two Histories of the Same Events

**Earlier
History
Close to
the Events**

Kings

**Time for
Reflection**

**Later
History
Long After
the Events**

Chronicles

1 Chronicles: Editorial on David



Editorial Nature of 1 Chronicles

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I. God established
David's kingdom
to promote **temple**
worship over
idolatry.

Key Word

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Establishment

1 Chronicles

Theme

David's Line Established

1 Chronicles

1 Chronicles 1

**The genealogy from Adam to 450 BC
showed David's throne absent but his
line still present due to God's grace
(1 Chron 1–9) .**



Adam to Noah Genealogy (1 Chron. 1:1-4)

Adam

Seth

Enosh

Kenan

Mahalalel

Jared

Enoch

Methuselah

Lamech

Noah

= Genesis 5

The Table of Nations

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1 Chronicles 1:4-27

NOAH

Sino

HAM

SHEM

Japheth

Sin

Caucasians

Canaanites

Semites

Sinai

Europeans &
East Indians

Africans &
Asians

Jews &
Arabs

Map 1

THE NATIONS
OF GENESIS 10

JAVAN

Descendants of Japheth (Gen. 10:2-5)

LYDIA

Descendants of Ham (Gen. 10:6-20)

Descendants of Shem (Gen. 10:21-31)

Later Biblical name

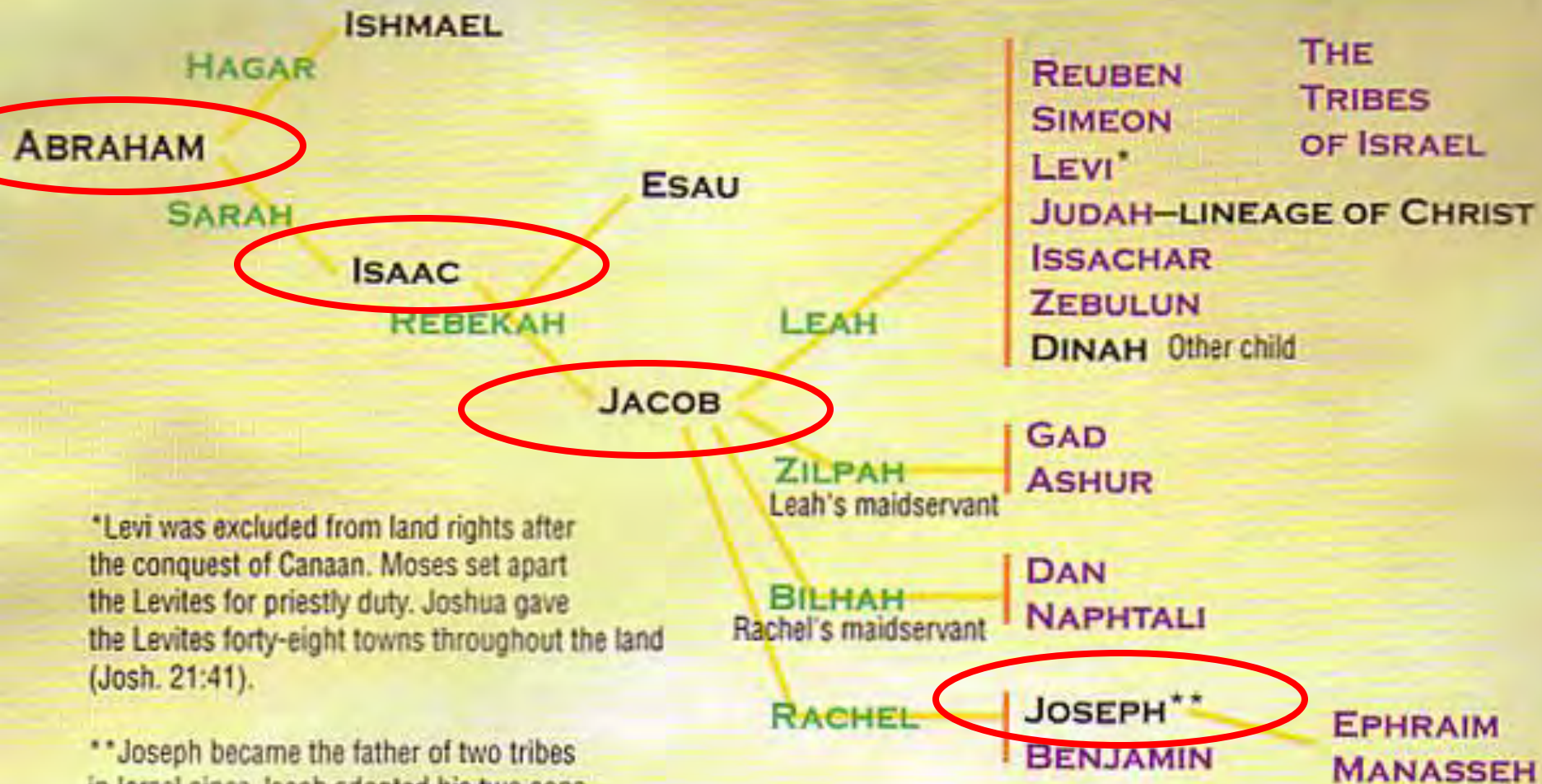
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JOKTAN
(Arabia)

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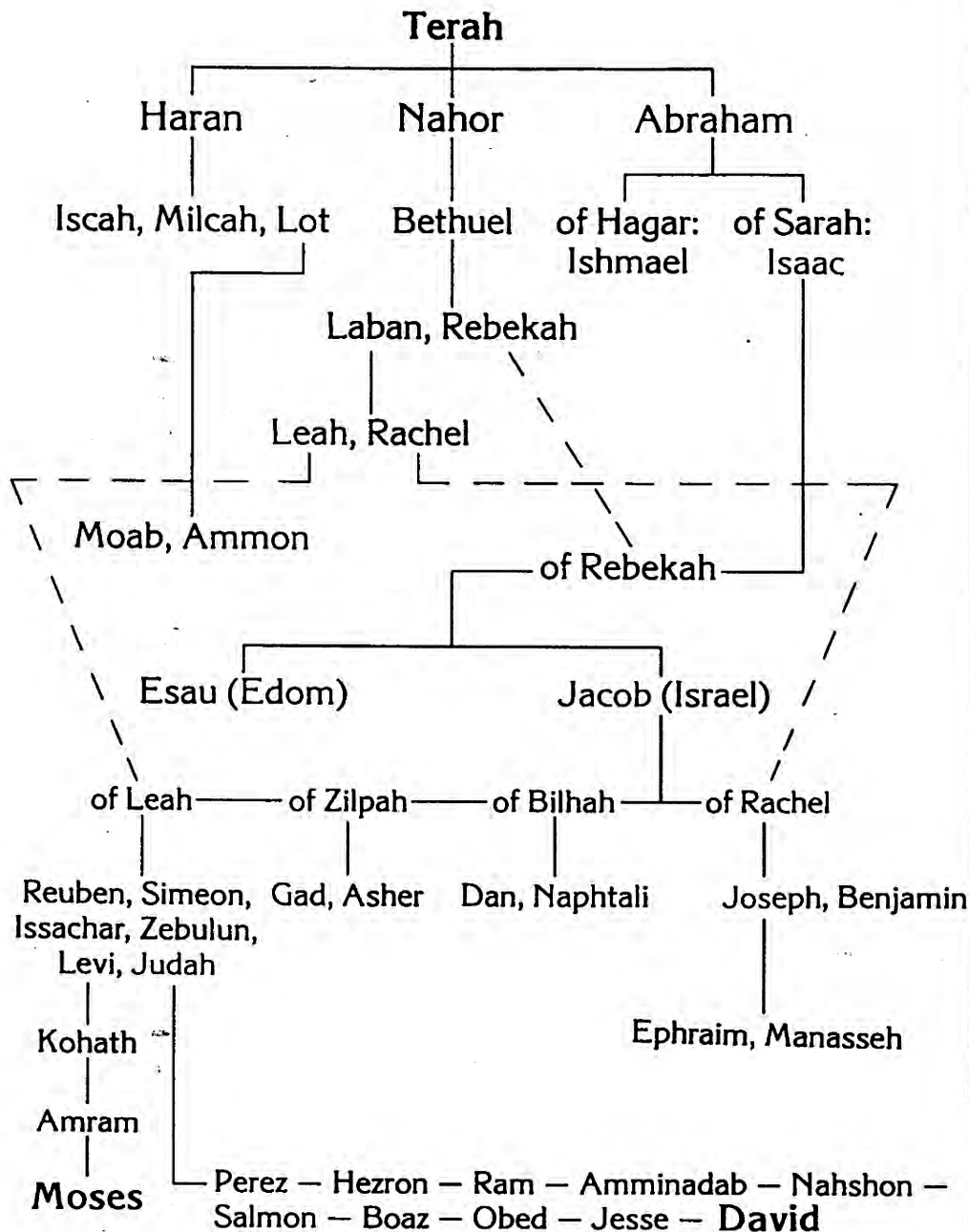
Genesis 10

Patriarchal Family Tree (Gen. 12–50; 1 Chron. 1:28-34)



Patriarchal Family Tree

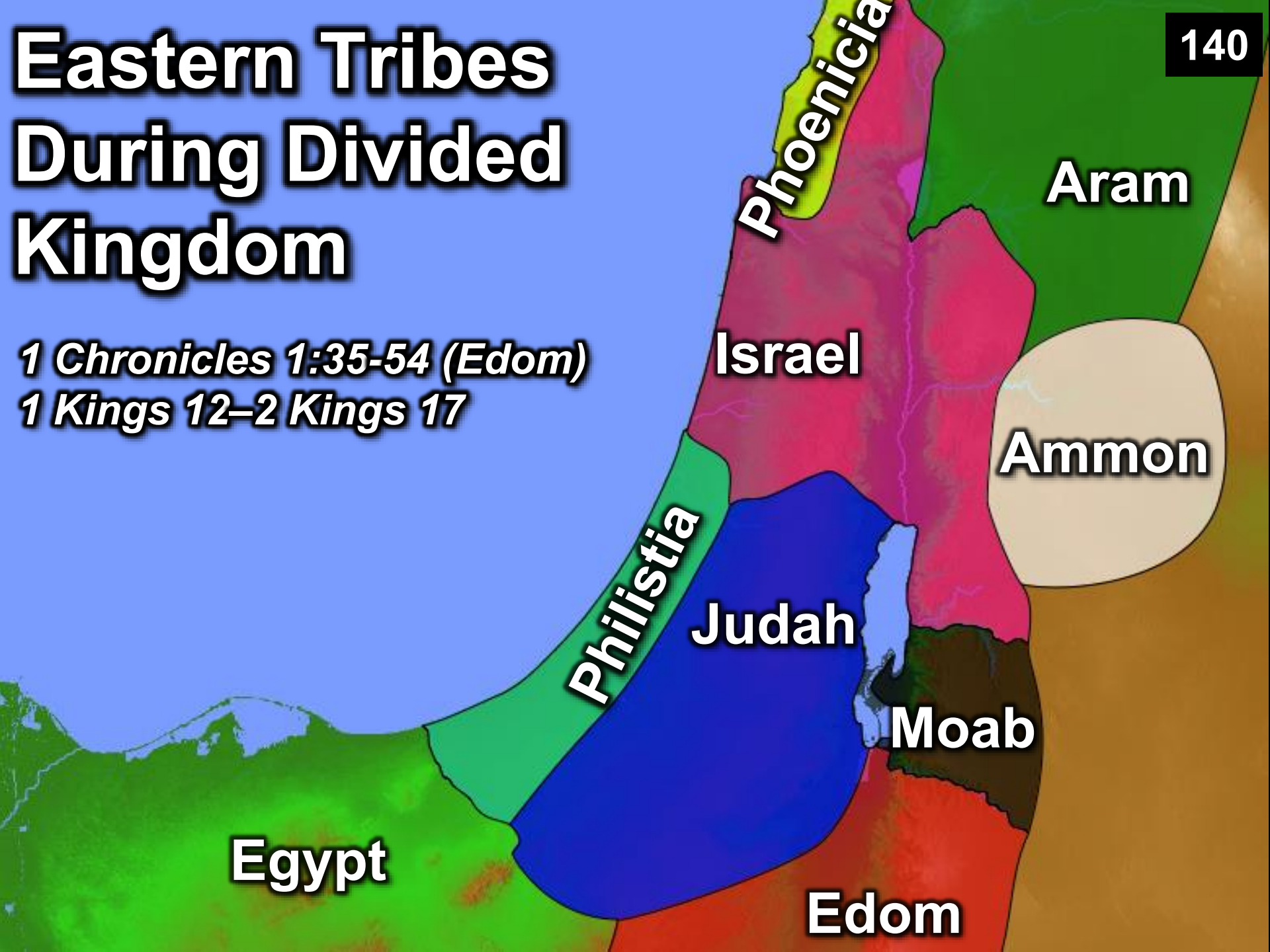
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Eastern Tribes During Divided Kingdom

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1 Chronicles 1:35-54 (Edom)
1 Kings 12–2 Kings 17



1 Chronicles 2

Patriarchal Family Tree

1 Chron. 2:1-5

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Terah

Haran

Nahor

Abraham

Lot

Bethuel

(of Hagar)

Ishmael

(of Sarah)

Isaac

Laban

Rebekah

married

Esau

Jacob

Leah

Rachel

(of Leah)

Reuben,
Simeon,
Levi,
Judah,
Issachar,
Zebulun

(of Zilpah)

Gad,
Asher

(of Bilhah)

Dan,
Naphtali

(of Rachel)

Benjamin, Joseph

Manasseh

Ephraim

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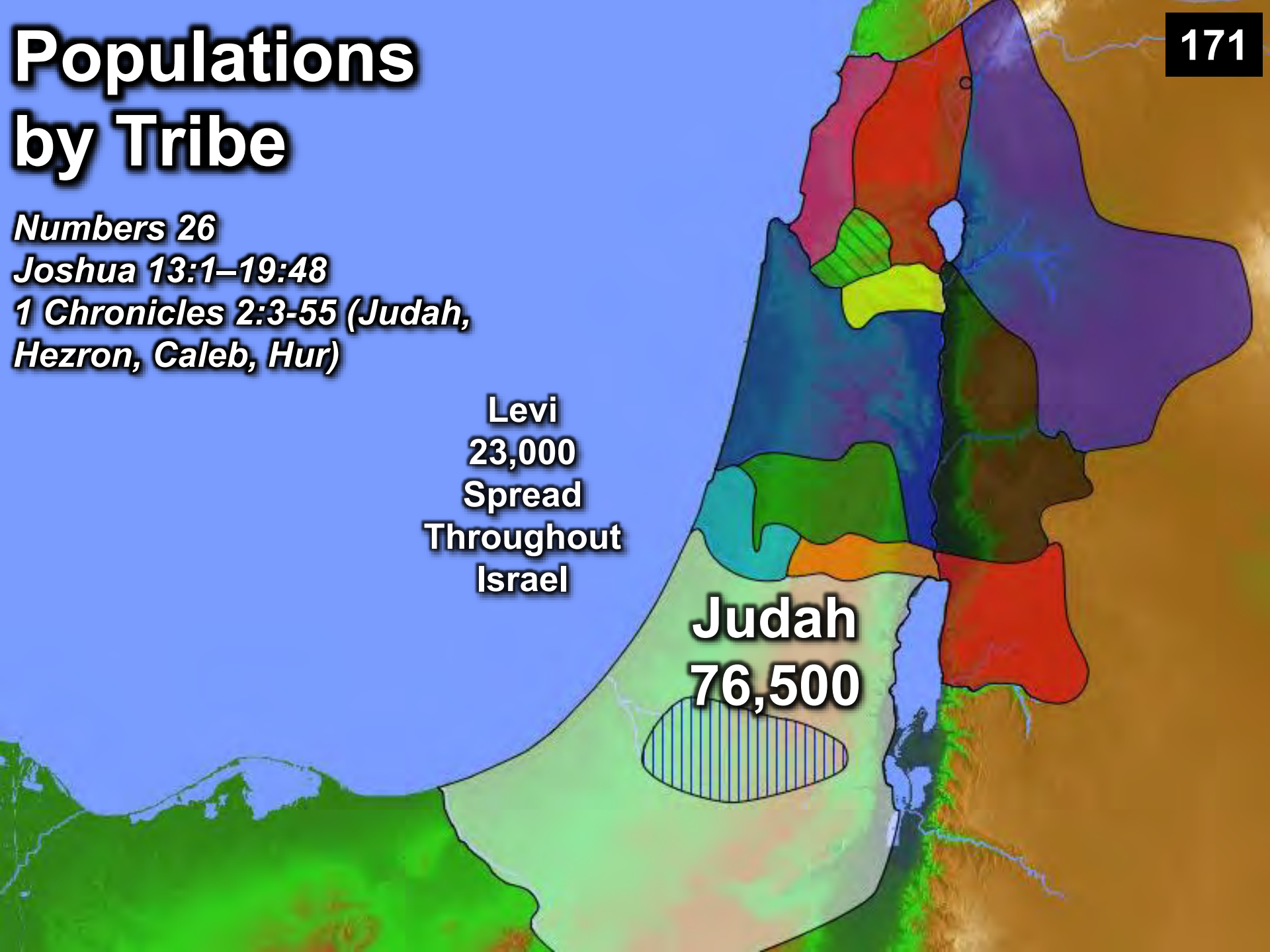
Populations by Tribe

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Numbers 26
Joshua 13:1–19:48
*1 Chronicles 2:3-55 (Judah,
Hezron, Caleb, Hur)*

Levi
23,000
Spread
Throughout
Israel

Judah
76,500



1 Chronicles 3

Family & Ancestry of David

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ANCESTRY (Ruth 4:18-22; 1 Chron. 2:1-15)

Patriarchs

Abraham — Isaac — Jacob — Judah

Egypt

Perez — Hezron — Ram
Amminadab — Nahshon

Conquest
and Judges

Salmon — Boaz — Obed — Jesse — David

ABRAHAM

Isaac

Jacob

Judah

Perez

Hezron

Ram

Amminadab

Nahshon

Salmon

Boaz

Obed

Jesse

DAVID

The Lineage of David

Messiah from Judah



**Since
Jacob's
blessing in
Genesis
49:9-10, the
lion has
depicted a
king...**

**"Judah, my son, is a young lion that
has finished eating its prey. Like a
lion he crouches and lies down; like
a lioness—who dares to rouse him?
¹⁰The scepter will not depart from
Judah, nor the ruler's staff from his
descendants, until the coming of
the one to whom it belongs, the one
whom all nations will honor" (NLT).**

Oh, David, why so many wives?



Family & Ancestry of David

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FAMILY (2 Sam. 3:2-5; 5:14-16;

1 Chron. 3:5-8

Children of Jesse	Wives of David	Sons of David
Sons: Eliab	Ahinoam	Amnon (killed by Absalom)
Abinadab	Abigail	Chileab (died in youth)
Shammah	Maacah	Absalom (killed by Joab)
Nethanel	Haggith	Adonijah (deposed by Solomon)
Raddai	Abital	Shephatiah
Ozem	Eglah	Ithream
David	Bathsheba	Solomon, Shimea, Shobab, Nathan
Daughters: Zeruiah (mother of Joab, Abishai, Asahel)	Michal	None
Abigail (mother of Amasa)	Various Concubines	Ibhar, Elishama, Eliphelet, Nogah, Nepheg, Japhia, Eliada, Elishama, Eliphelet

The Kingdom in Matthew 1

FALL OF THE KINGDOM

ESTABLISHING THE ETERNAL KINGDOM



1 Chronicles 4

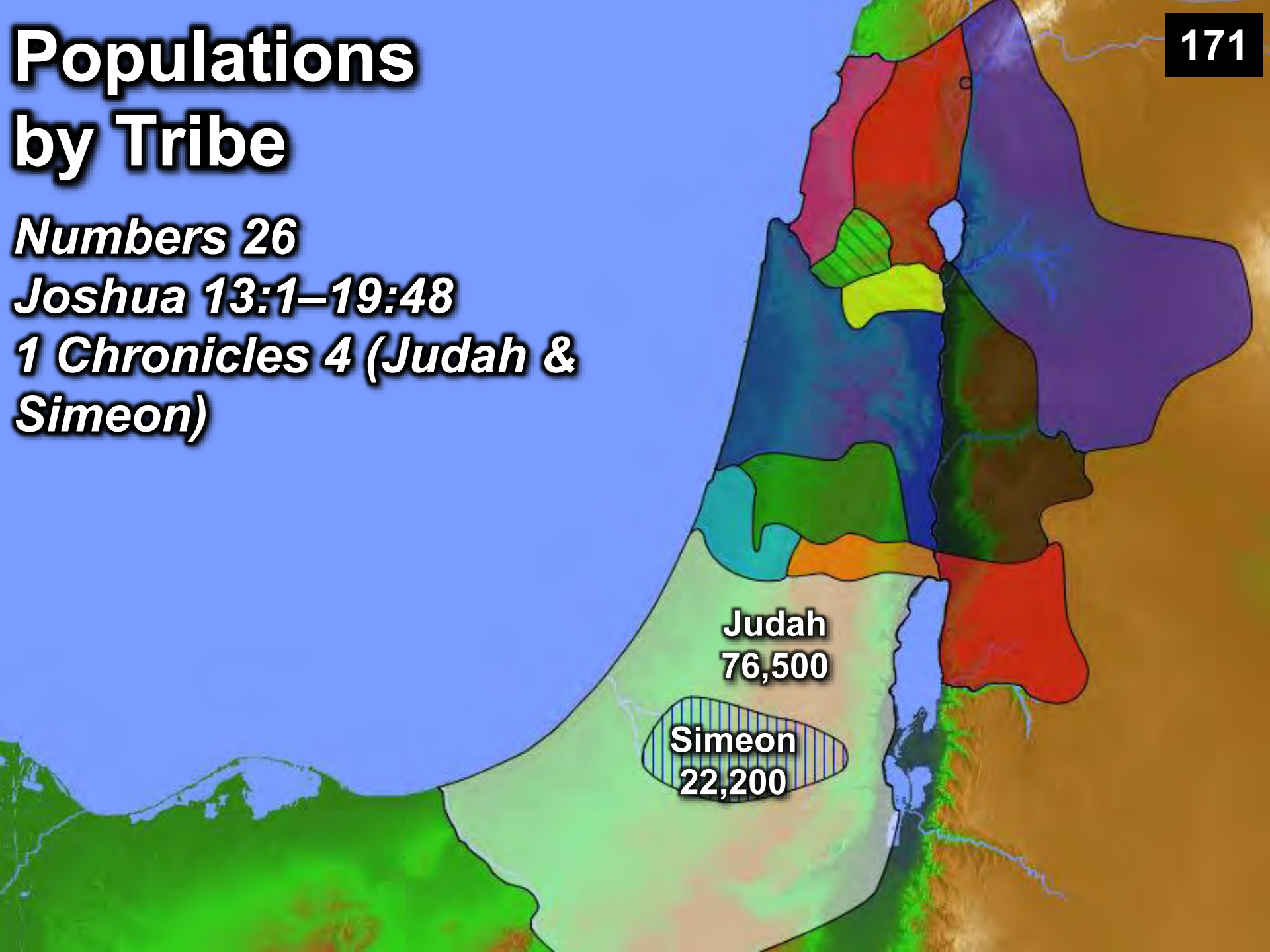
Populations by Tribe

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Numbers 26

Joshua 13:1–19:48

**1 Chronicles 4 (Judah &
Simeon)**



Judah
76,500

Simeon
22,200

1 Chronicles 5

Patriarchal Family Tree

1 Chron. 2:1-5

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Judah,
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(of Zilpah)
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Asher

(of Bilhah)
Dan,
Naphtali

(of Rachel)
Benjamin, Joseph

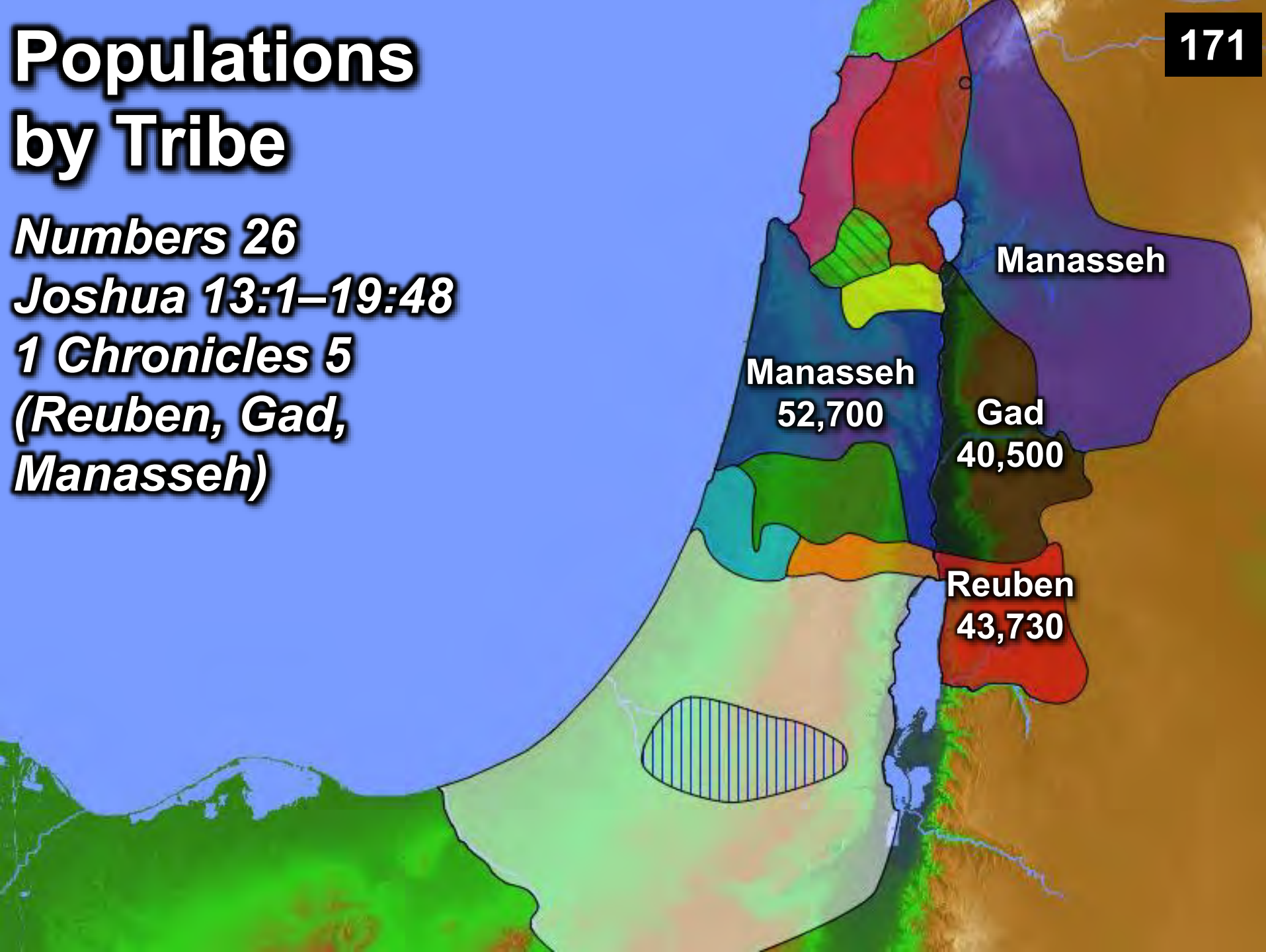
Manasseh Ephraim

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Populations by Tribe

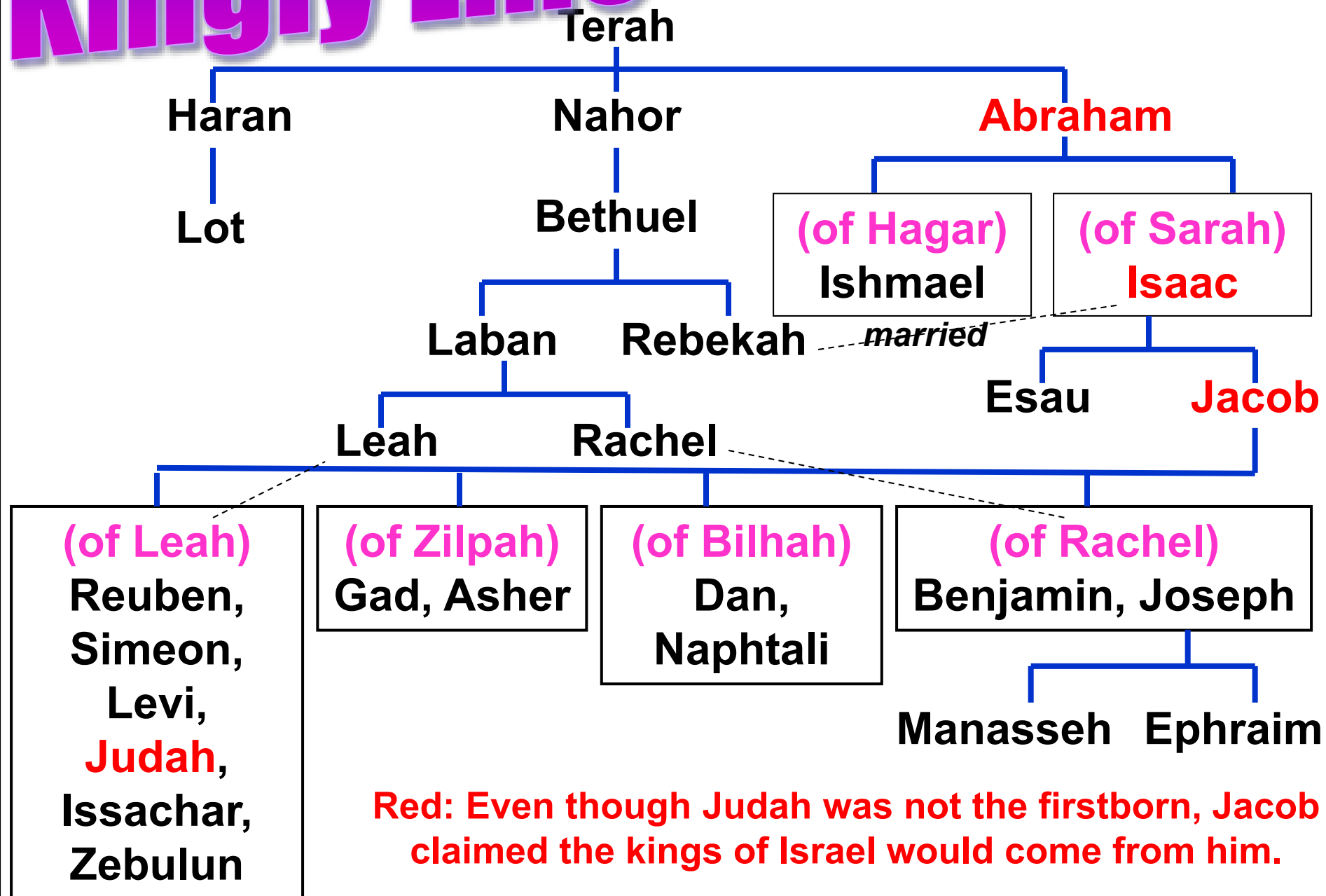
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1 Chronicles 5
(Reuben, Gad,
Manasseh)

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Kingly Line

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1 Chronicles 6

Contrasting Levites and Priests

Abraham



Isaac



Jacob



12 Sons: Reuben–Simeon–Levi–Judah– etc.



All other lines

Aaron



Levites

see p. 171a



Priests

see p. 202



Contrasting Levites and Priests

Levites

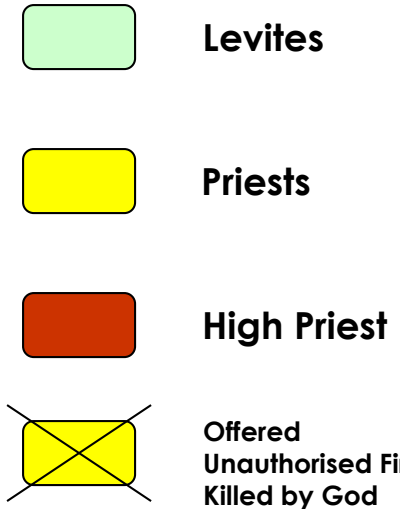
Priests

Descendants of...	Levi	Aaron (also a descendant of Levi)
Population	Many (the larger group)	Few (a subset of the Levites, Josh. 21:4)
Role	Assisted priests and supervised religious activities permitted outside of the sanctuary: teaching, singing, leading worship, officials, administration, judges & gatekeepers	Mediators between God and Israel
Sacrificial Role	Didn't offer sacrifices though they did offer incense (Deut. 33:10b)	Offered sacrifices (Deut. 33:10b)
Location of Homes	Extensive—in 35 cities throughout the tribes in the central, northern, and eastern parts of Israel (Josh. 21:5-7)	Limited to 13 cities in Judah, Simeon, & Benjamin that were near the temple (Josh. 21:4, 9-13)

Levi's Family Tree

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1 Chron. 6:1-3



- 48 Levitical Cities
- 6 Cities of Refuge

1 Chronicles 6:54-80

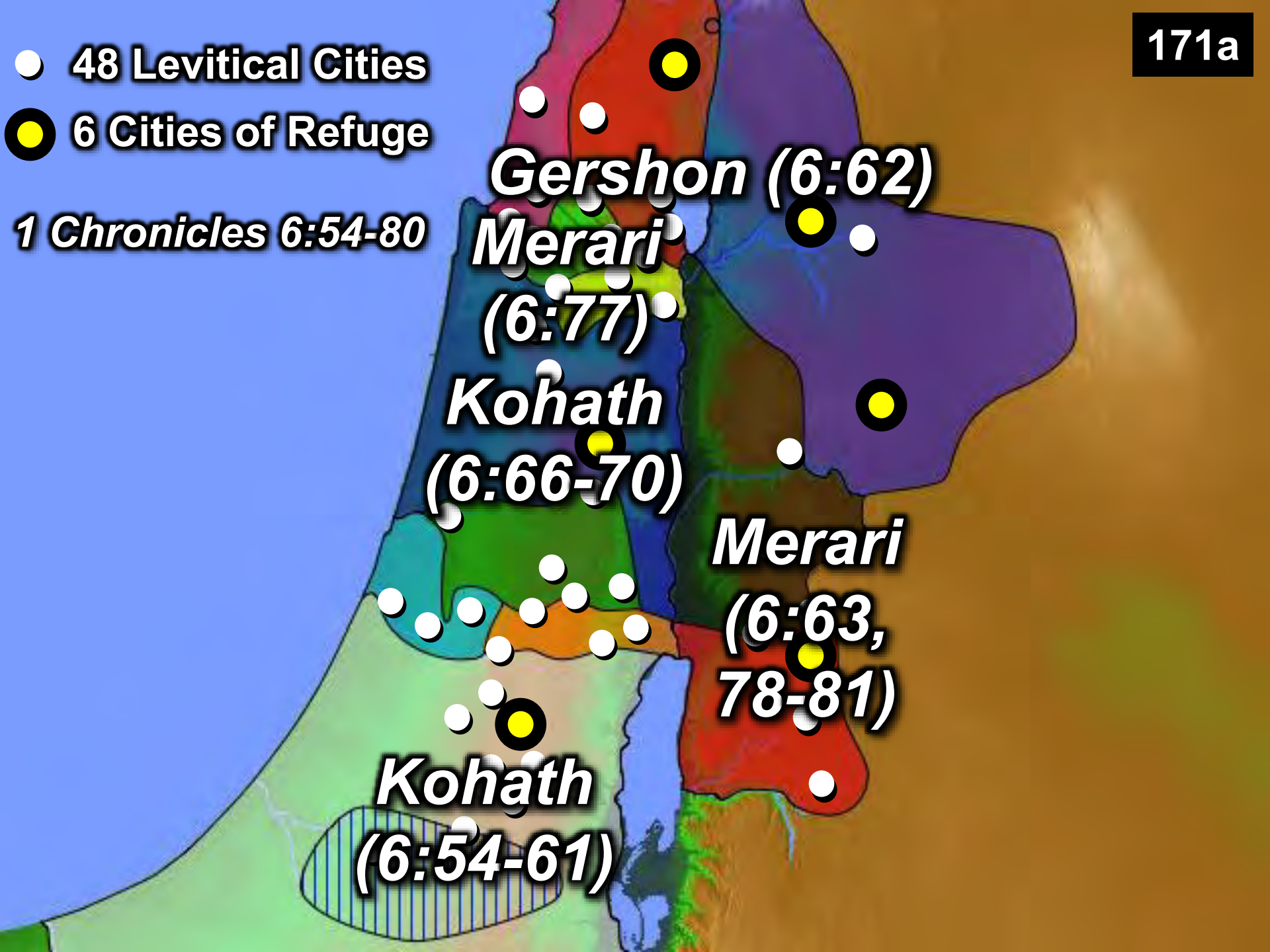
Gershon (6:62)

Merari (6:77)

Kohath (6:66-70)

Merari (6:63, 78-81)

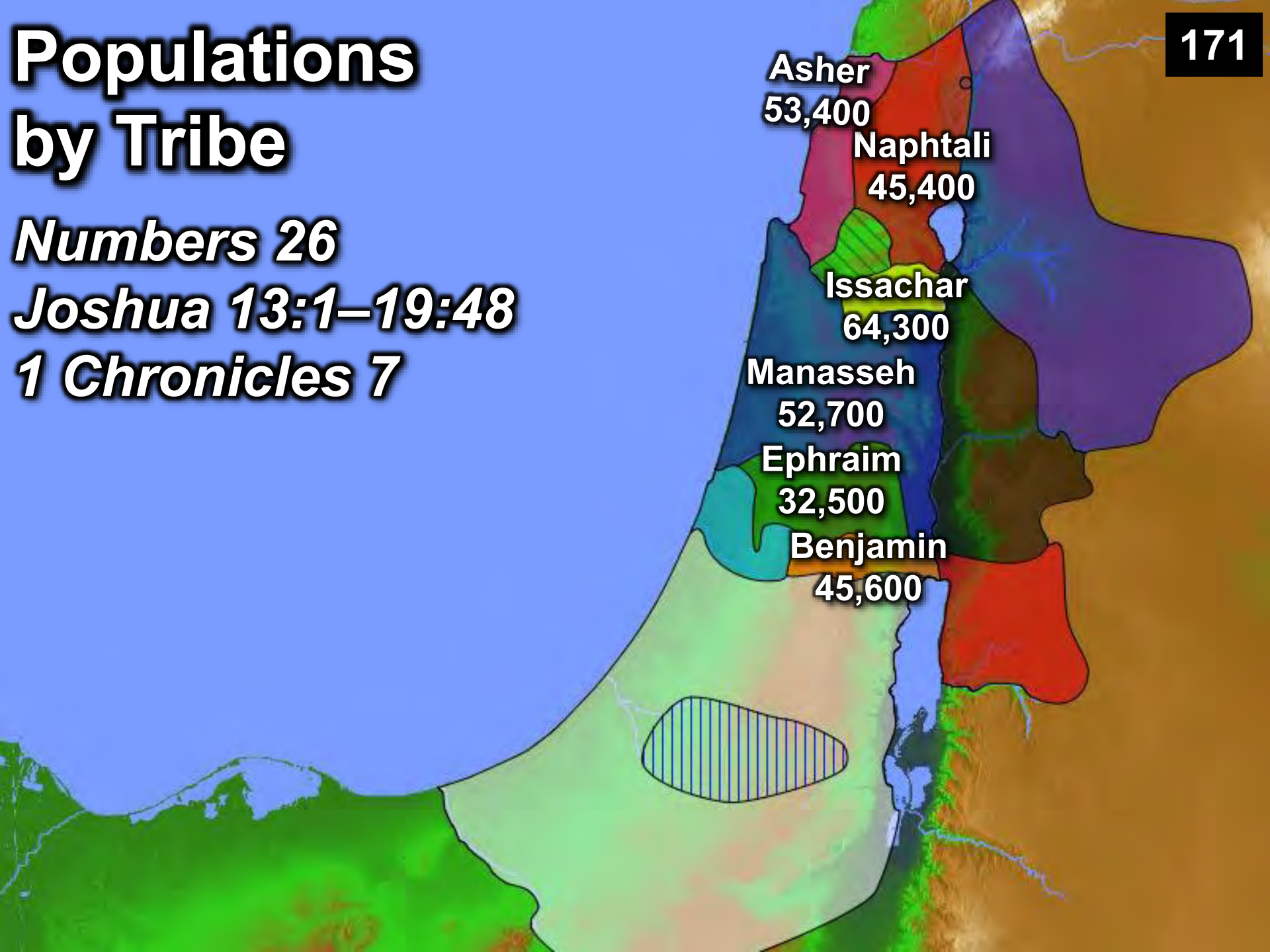
Kohath (6:54-61)



1 Chronicles 7

Populations by Tribe

Numbers 26
Joshua 13:1–19:48
1 Chronicles 7



A map of the land of Israel, color-coded by tribe. The tribes shown with population labels are Asher (pink), Naphtali (red), Issachar (yellow-green), Manasseh (dark blue), Ephraim (green), and Benjamin (orange). The map also shows the Mediterranean Sea to the west, the Dead Sea to the east, and the Jordan River to the south. A hatched area is visible in the south, likely representing the tribe of Judah. The total population of these tribes is 171,000.

Tribe	Population
Asher	53,400
Naphtali	45,400
Issachar	64,300
Manasseh	52,700
Ephraim	32,500
Benjamin	45,600

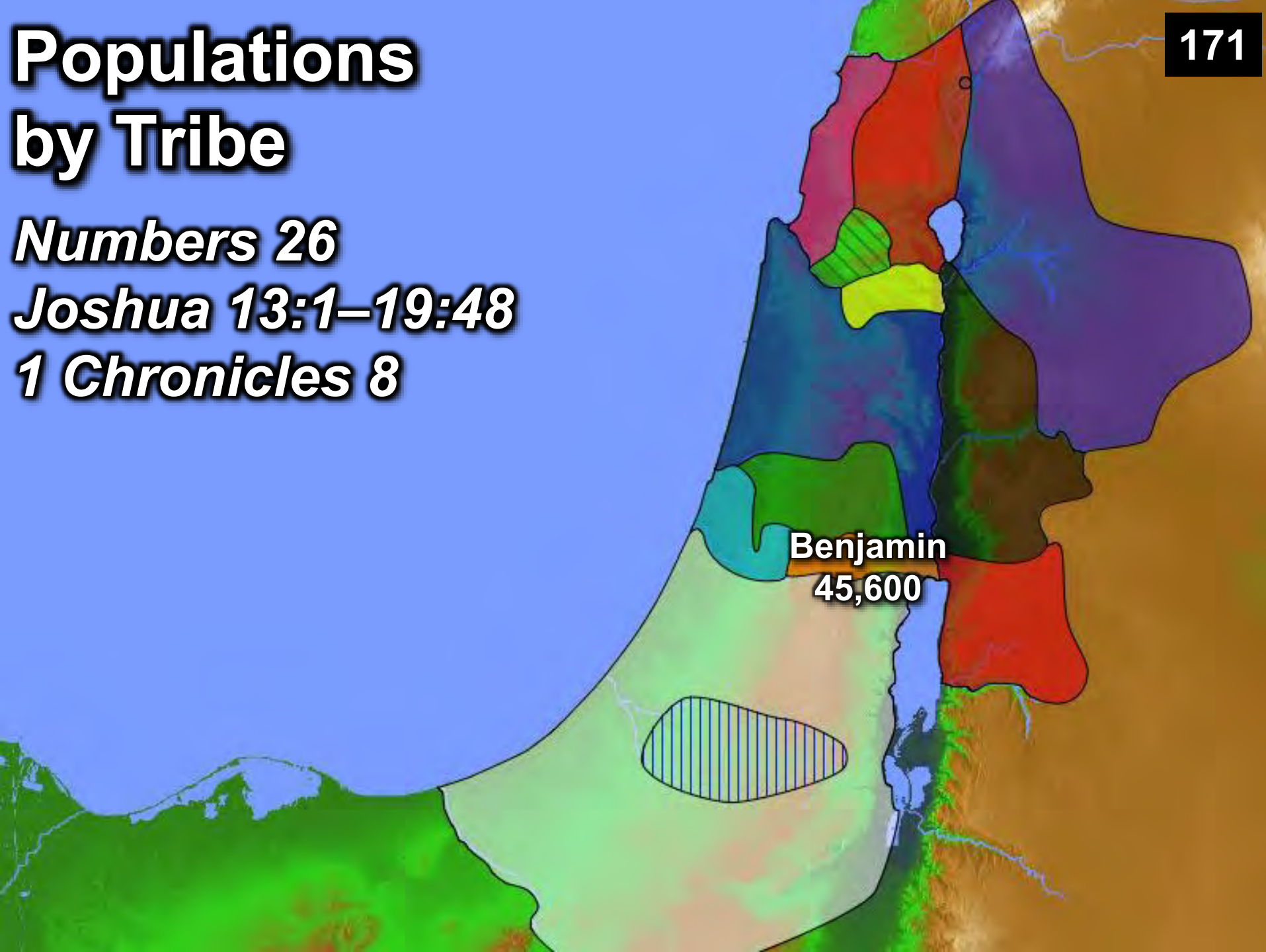
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Populations by Tribe

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Joshua 13:1–19:48
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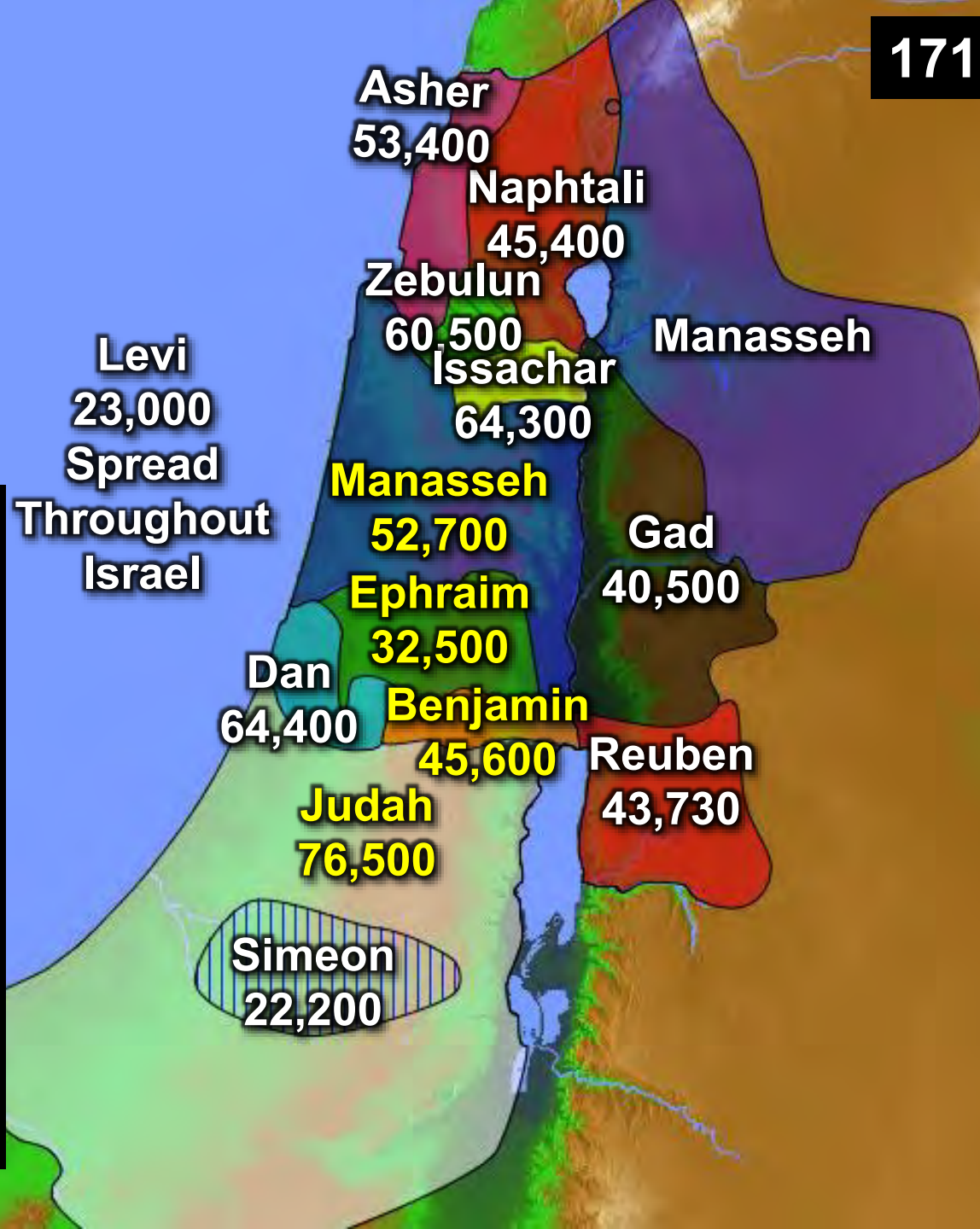
1 Chronicles 9

Populations by Tribe

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Numbers 26
Joshua 13:1–19:48
1 Chronicles 9

“The first of the exiles to return to their property in their former towns were priests, Levites, Temple servants, and other Israelites. ³Some of the people from the tribes of **Judah, Benjamin, Ephraim, and Manasseh** came and settled in Jerusalem” (1 Chron 9:2-3 NLT).



Why the Genealogies? *If My People*

1 Chronicles			
God's Sovereignty 1-9			
Genealogy			
Prepared			
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The USA began as a Christian nation

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Plymouth Pilgrims

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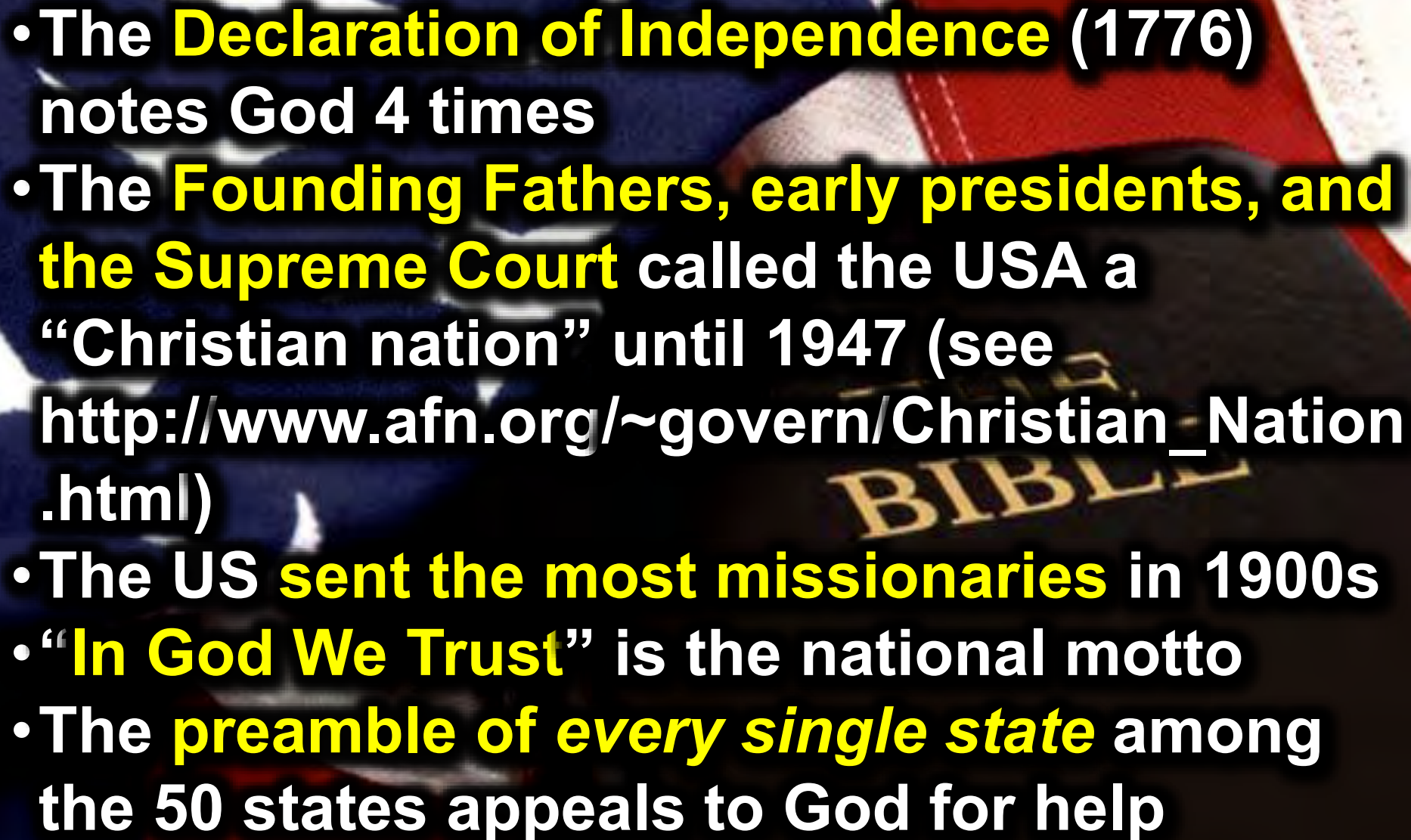


Yet they massacred the Pequot



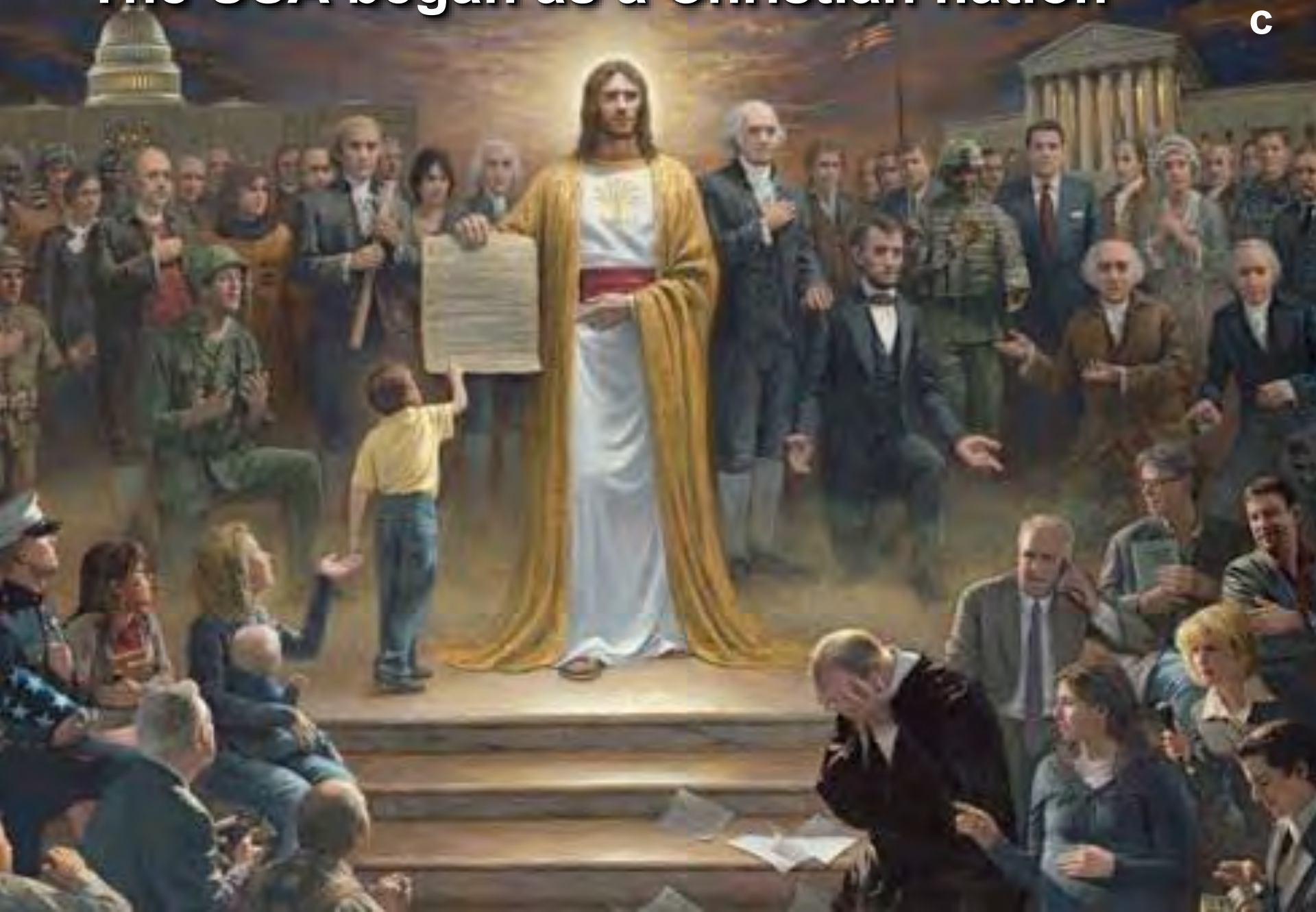
The USA began as a Christian nation

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- The **Declaration of Independence** (1776) notes God 4 times
 - The **Founding Fathers, early presidents, and the Supreme Court** called the USA a “Christian nation” until 1947 (see http://www.afn.org/~govern/Christian_Nation.html)
 - The US **sent the most missionaries** in 1900s
 - “**In God We Trust**” is the national motto
 - The **preamble of every single state** among the 50 states appeals to God for help

The USA began as a Christian nation

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**Do you
trust in
God?**



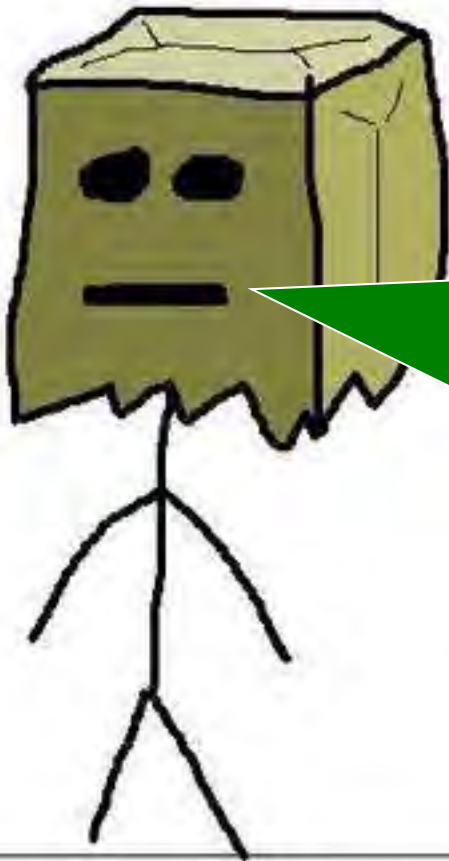
Do we trust in God?



**Does your trust in God
embarrass you?**



A Cause for Shame?



"Who, me? Well,
I'm *not* saying that
I *am* a Christian...
but I'm *not* saying
that I'm *not*..."

A background image of Barack Obama speaking, with a blue and yellow abstract graphic on the left side.

OBAMA EMAIL TO CBN NEWS

**"WHATEVER WE ONCE WERE,
WE'RE NO LONGER JUST A
CHRISTIAN NATION; WE ARE
ALSO A JEWISH NATION, A
MUSLIM NATION, A BUDDHIST
NATION, A HINDU NATION, AND A
NATION OF NON-BELIEVERS..."**

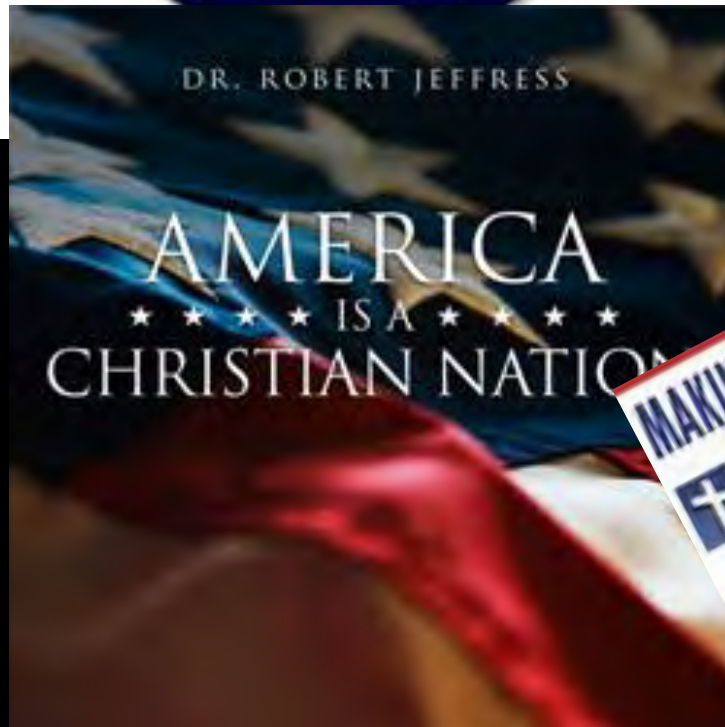
**"We are no longer a
Christian nation."**

Barack Obama

Freedom ~~Across~~ America.com

**The USA began
as a Christian
nation but has
left its godly
heritage.**





hotly debated!

1 Chronicles 10

God blessed David so Israel would imitate his passion for temple worship (1 Chron 10–29).



Focus on David *If My People*

1 Chronicles		
God's Sovereignty 1-9	David's Service 10-29	
Genealogy	History	
Prepared	United	
4143-1011	1011-930	

God made David king after God removed Saul as unfit for the kingship to show David as the ideal king (1 Chron 10–12).



1 Chronicles 11

"The Three": Jashobeam, Eleazar, & Shammah



1 Chronicles 11:10-19; 2 Sam 23:11

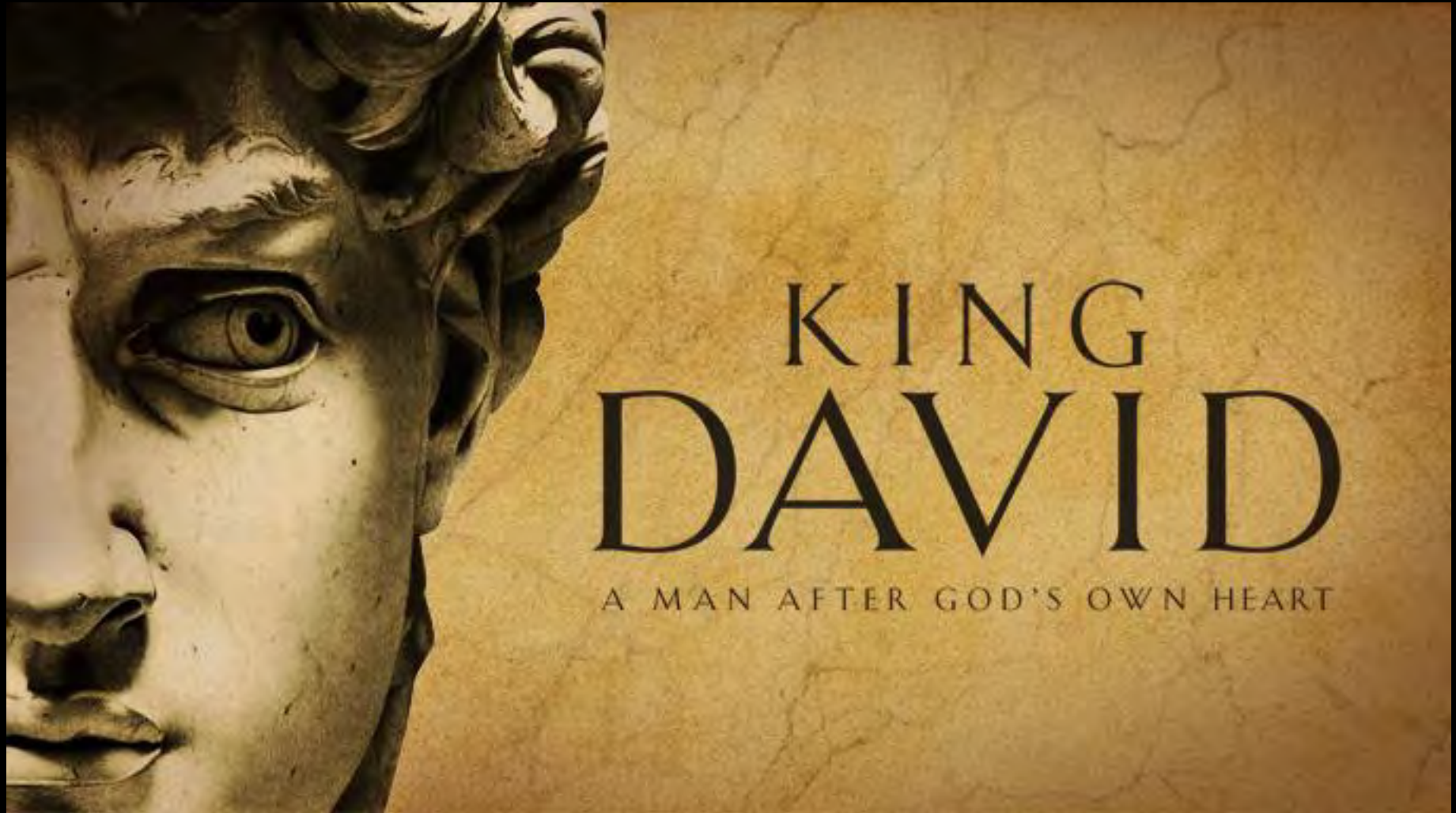
"David's Valiant Men" by James Tissot



1 Chronicles 11:26-47

1 Chronicles 12

The Model King



What a contrast from Saul...

1 Chronicles 13

God rewarded David's respect for the ark
by promising the permanent dynasty of
the Davidic Covenant to show how
obedience leads to blessing
(1 Chron 13–17).



Parallels between David's and Solomon's Transfers of the Ark

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<i>System of regular worship set up</i>	16:4-6, 37-42	8:12-16
<i>Divine revelation given</i>	17:1-15	7:12-22
<i>Prayer by the king</i>	17:16-27	6:12-42

1 Chronicles 14

**God blessed David as king though his palace,
numerous wives and children, and victories over the
Philistines (1 Chron 14).**



1 Chronicles 15

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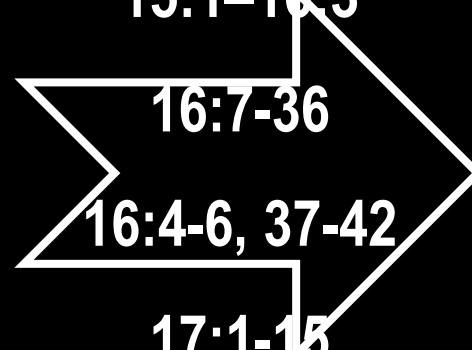
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Chronicles vs. Samuel/Kings

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(2 Sam. 6:20b-23)

Discipline aspects of the Davidic covenant
(2 Sam. 7:14b)

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Divisions of Levites (1 Chron. 22–27)

David's charge to Israel & Solomon & prayer (1 Chron. 28:1–29:22a)

Enterprises of Rehoboam
(2 Chron. 11:5-23)

1 Chronicles 17

Key Verse

"I declare that the LORD will build a house for you: When your days are over and you go to be with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, one of your own sons, and I will **establish his kingdom. He is the one who will build a house for me, and I will **establish** his throne forever. I will be his father, and he will be my son. I will never take my love away from him, as I took it away from your predecessor. I will set him over my house and my kingdom forever; his throne will be **established** forever" (1 Chron. 17:10b-14).**

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1 Chronicles 18

David's New Vassal States

2 Samuel 10

God rewarded David with victory over the Philistines and other nations to show him as a righteous king to whom God had promised an eternal dynasty (1 Chron 18–20).



1 Chronicles 19



Victory over Aram & Ammon

1 Chronicles 19

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1 Chronicles 20

"During another battle with the Philistines, Elhanan son of Jair killed Lahmi, the brother of Goliath of Gath. The handle of Lahmi's spear was as thick as a weaver's beam!" (1 Chron 20:5 NLT).



"In another battle with the Philistines at Gath, they encountered a huge man with six fingers on each hand and six toes on each foot, twenty-four in all, who was also a descendant of the giants. ⁷But when he defied and taunted Israel, he was killed by Jonathan, the son of David's brother Shimea" (1 Chron 20:6-7 NLT).



1 Chronicles 21

God blessed David's worship
**by selecting the temple site, organizing
the materials and leaders, and
commissioning the work to encourage
temple worship (1 Chron 21–29).**

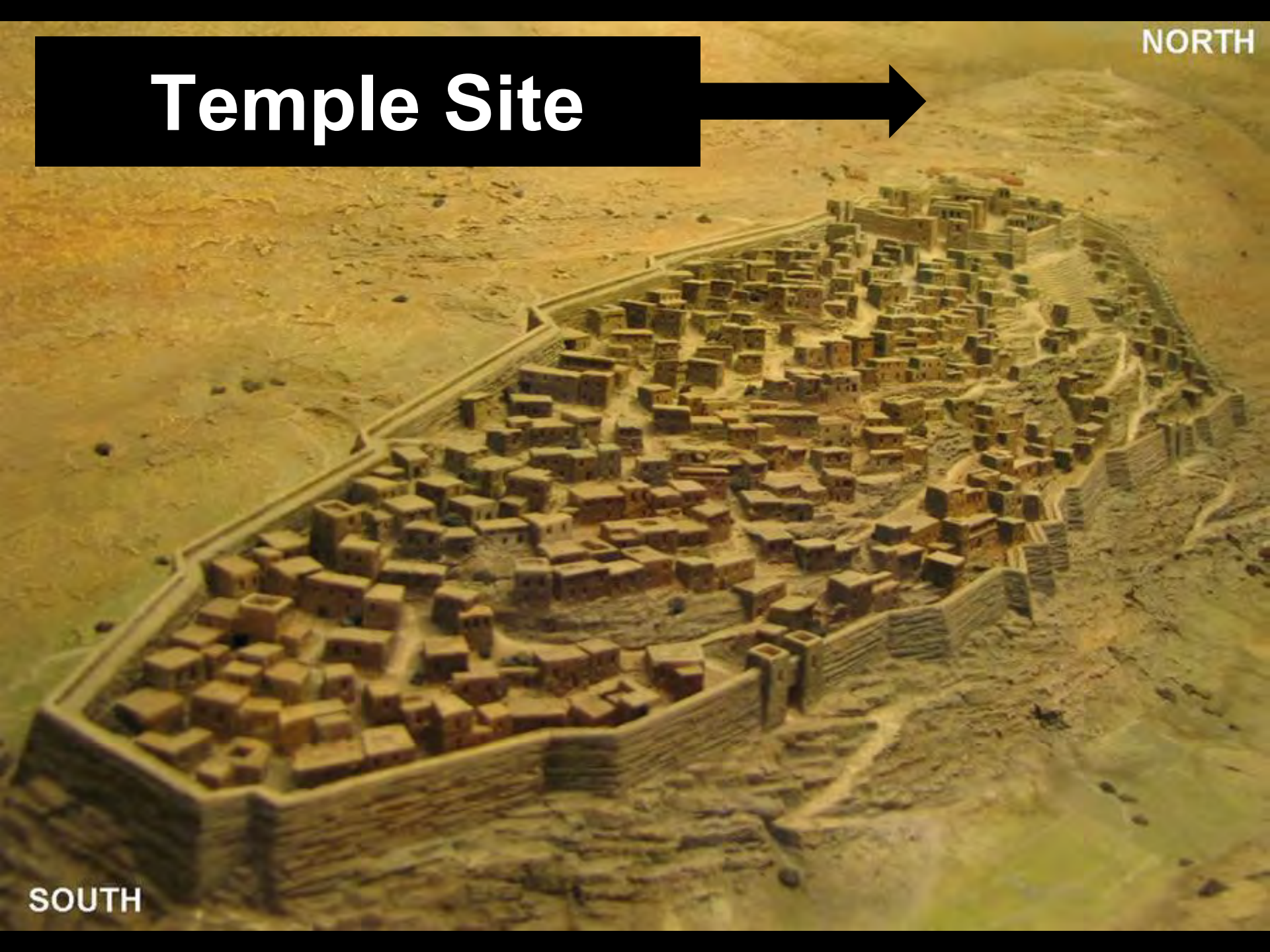


NORTH

Temple Site



SOUTH



Floor of Araunah



1 Chronicles 21:15, 18

Temple Site (1 Chron 21)



Temple Site



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1 Chronicles 22



David & Solomon

Samuel/Kings vs. Chronicles

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The execution of the Saulites (1 Sam. 21:1-14)	Abijam of Judah defeats Jeroboam of Israel by honoring temple (2 Chron. 13:3-21)
Adonijah's rebellion against his father David (1 Kings 1)	Revivals under 6 kings of Judah, all "sons" of David
David's charge to Solomon to avenge his opposers (1 Kings 2:1-9)	David's charge to Solomon to build the temple (1 Chron. 22:2-19)
Negative information on the kings of Israel (e.g., 1 Kings 13:1-14:20 on Jeroboam; 1 Kings 15:25-21:29 on others)	Positive details about kings of Judah: Asa (1 Chron. 14:6-15:15), Jehoshaphat (2 Chron. 17:1- 19), Hezekiah (2 Chron. 32:27-30), etc.
Stories of Elijah (1 Kings 15:25-21:29) and Elisha (2 Kings 2:1-8:15; 13:14-25) since they ministered primarily in Israel	God's discipline by plague and enemy invasions upon Joram of Judah for his evil ways (1 Chron. 21:11-20)
Negative events after Judah's fall (2 Kings 25)	Renewal of Passover (2 Chron. 30) & other reforms of worship (2 Chron. 31)
The 2 falls of Israel (2 Kings 17:1-41 & 17:5-6; 18:9-12)	The end of Judah's exile (2 Chron. 36:22-23)

1 Chronicles 23

Samuel/Kings vs. Chronicles

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(2 Chron. 11:5-23)

1 Chronicles 24

The priests became 24 divisions to offer sacrifices before the LORD in two-week rotations each year



1 Chronicles 24

1 Chronicles 25

David organized the musicians



1 Chronicles 25

The musicians were organized into instrumentalists and singers to offer praise to the LORD in the ministry of prophesying (1 Chron 25).



1 Chronicles 26

The temple officers were organized into gatekeepers, treasurers, and administrators for smooth functioning of the temple (1 Chron 26).



1 Chronicles 27

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1 Chronicles 28

"Then David gave Solomon the plans for the Temple and its surroundings, including the entry room, the storerooms, the upstairs rooms, the inner rooms, and the inner sanctuary—which was the place of atonement. ¹²David also gave Solomon all the plans he had in mind for the courtyards of the Lord's Temple, the outside rooms, the treasuries, and the rooms for the gifts dedicated to the LORD" (28:11-12)



David commissioned Israel and Solomon to follow God's design for the temple building and service by Levites and priests (1 Chron 28).



The Choristers, by James Tissot, 1896-1900

1 Chronicles 29

David's Line Established

David's Line				David's Concern (Ark / Temple)			
Chapters 1–9				Chapters 10–29			
Genealogy				History			
Ancestry				Activity			
Saul's Throne to David				David's Throne to Solomon			
4143-1011 BC (3132 years)				1011–971 BC (40 years)			
Davidic Line 1–3	Tribal Lines 4–8	Priests / Levites 9:1-34	Saul's Line 9:35-44	Accession to Throne 10–12	Respect for Ark 13–17	Military Victories 18–20	Temple Prep. 21–29

Summary Statement

The spiritual perspective on the establishment of David's kingdom is given to encourage the remnant with God's *establishment of the Davidic line* and to admonish them to *proper temple worship* — not the idolatry of the past.



I. God established
David's kingdom
to promote **temple**
worship over
idolatry.

II. Be established by
worshipping Jesus as
David's heir.



That temple was glorious



But what about that temple?



**Even the temple
rebuilt near the time
of Chronicles was
later destroyed—so
what about temple
worship now?**



A photograph of Jesus with long dark hair and a beard, wearing a white robe, tearing at a white cloth. In the background, a man in a brown robe is visible, and several gold coins are scattered on the ground.

Matthew 21:12-17

Mark 11:15-19

Luke 19:45-48

John 2:13-24

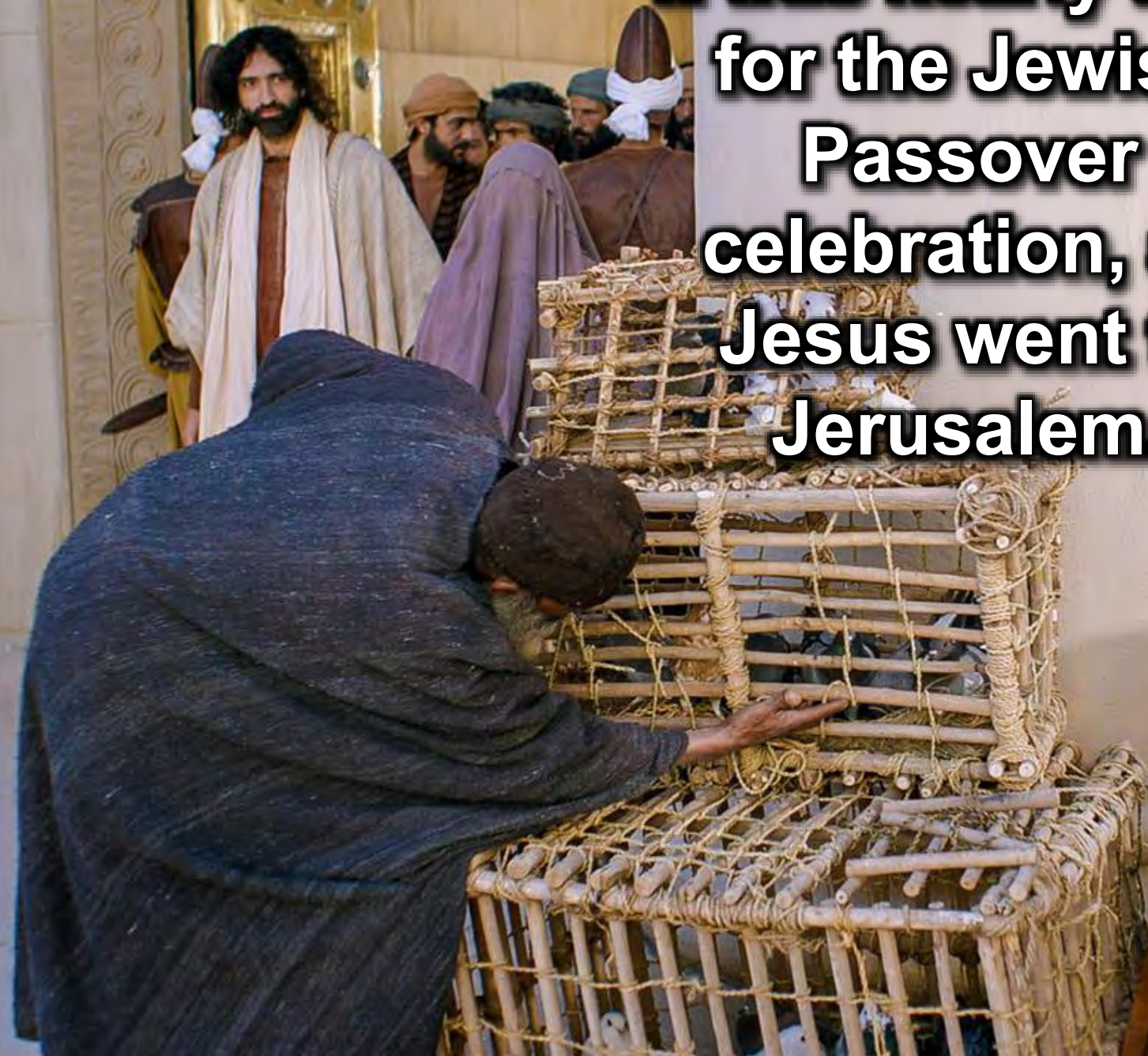
THE EASTER STORY

CLEANSING THE TEMPLE



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**It was nearly time
for the Jewish
Passover
celebration, so
Jesus went to
Jerusalem.**



**In the Temple area
he saw merchants
selling cattle, sheep,
and doves for
sacrifices.**

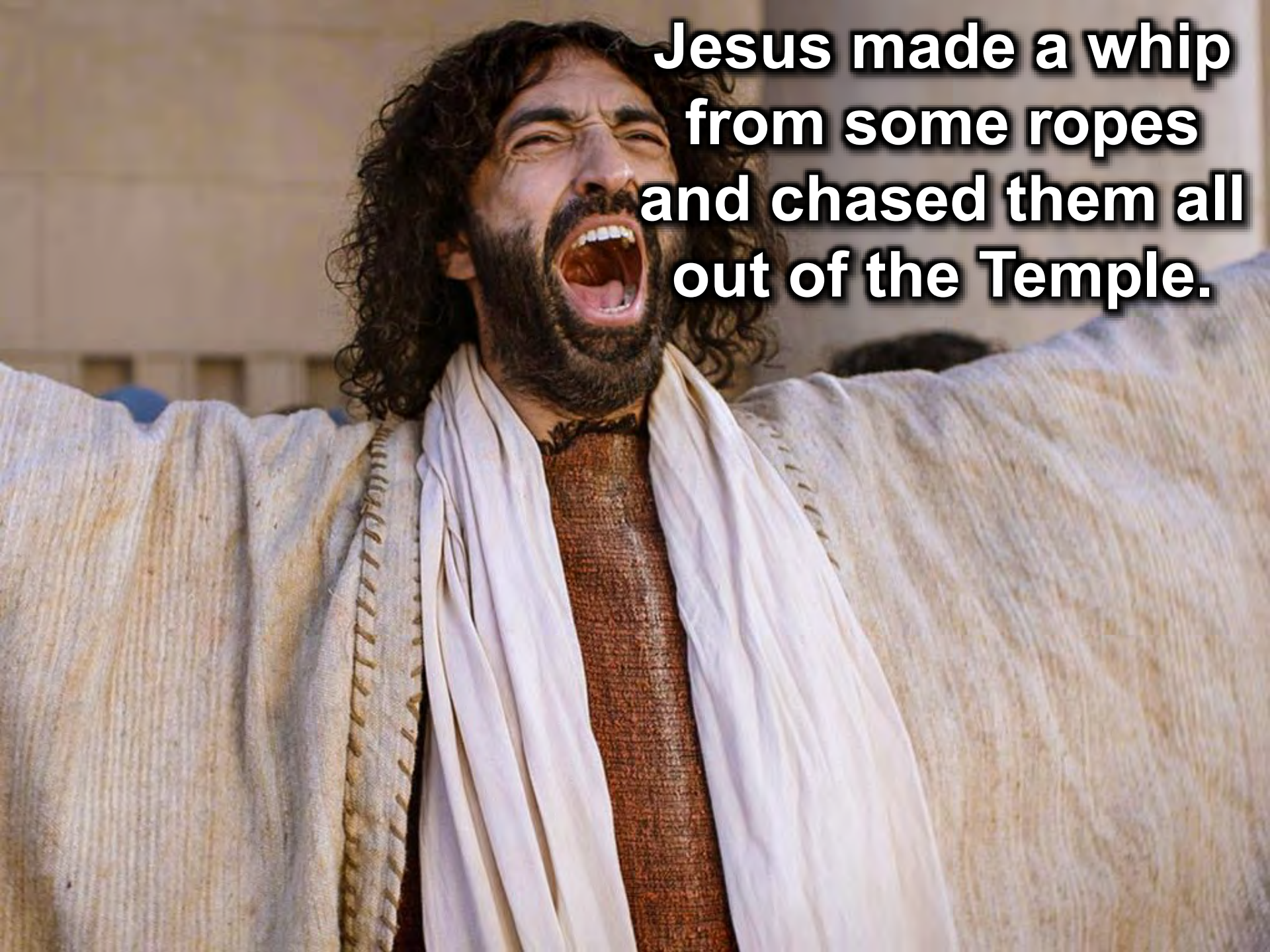


**He also saw dealers
at tables exchanging
foreign money.**





**Jesus made a whip
from some ropes
and chased them all
out of the Temple.**



**He drove out the
sheep and cattle,
scattered the money
changers' coins
over the floor**



**and turned over
their tables.**

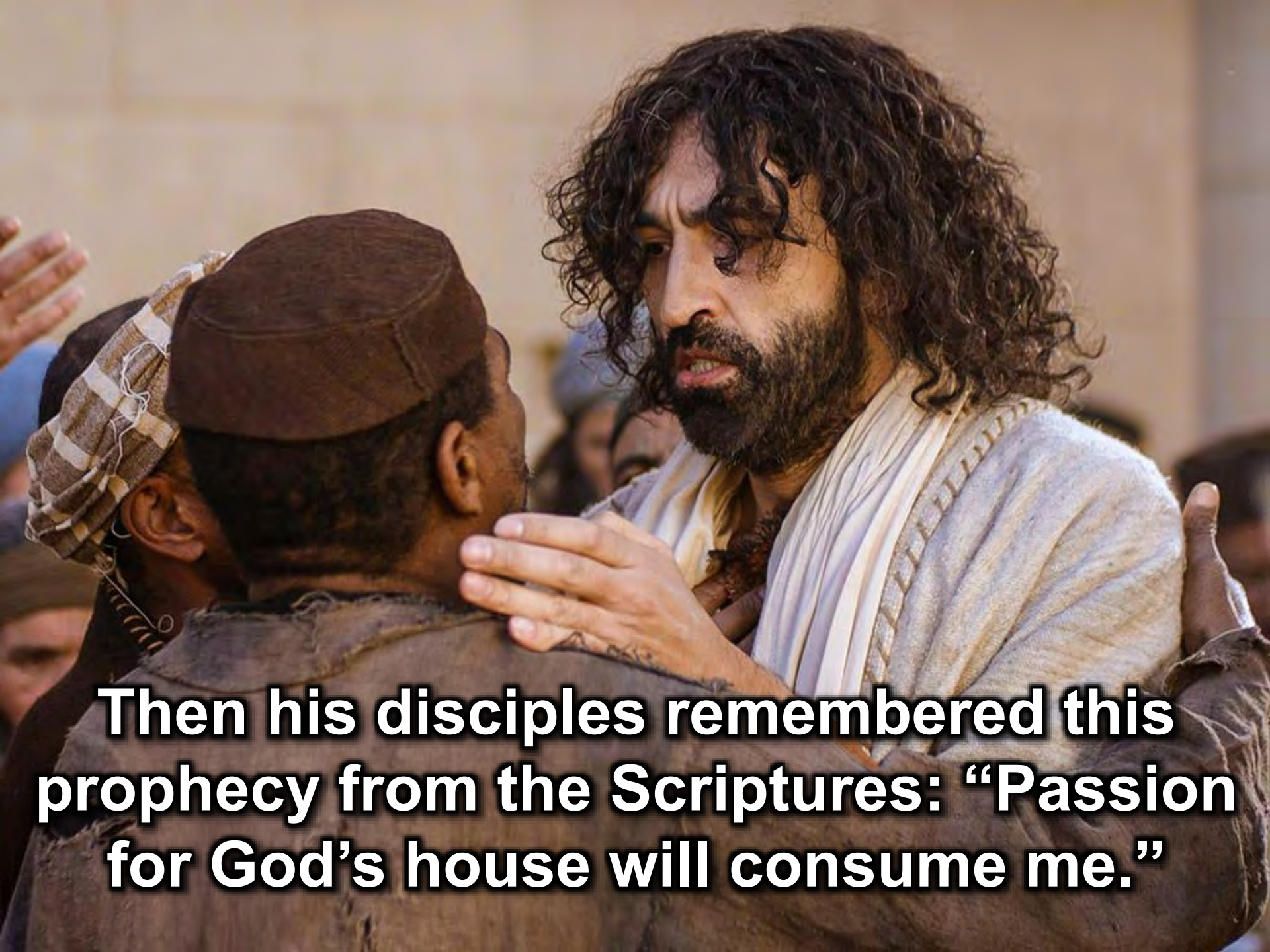


**Then, going over to
the people who sold
doves, he told
them...**



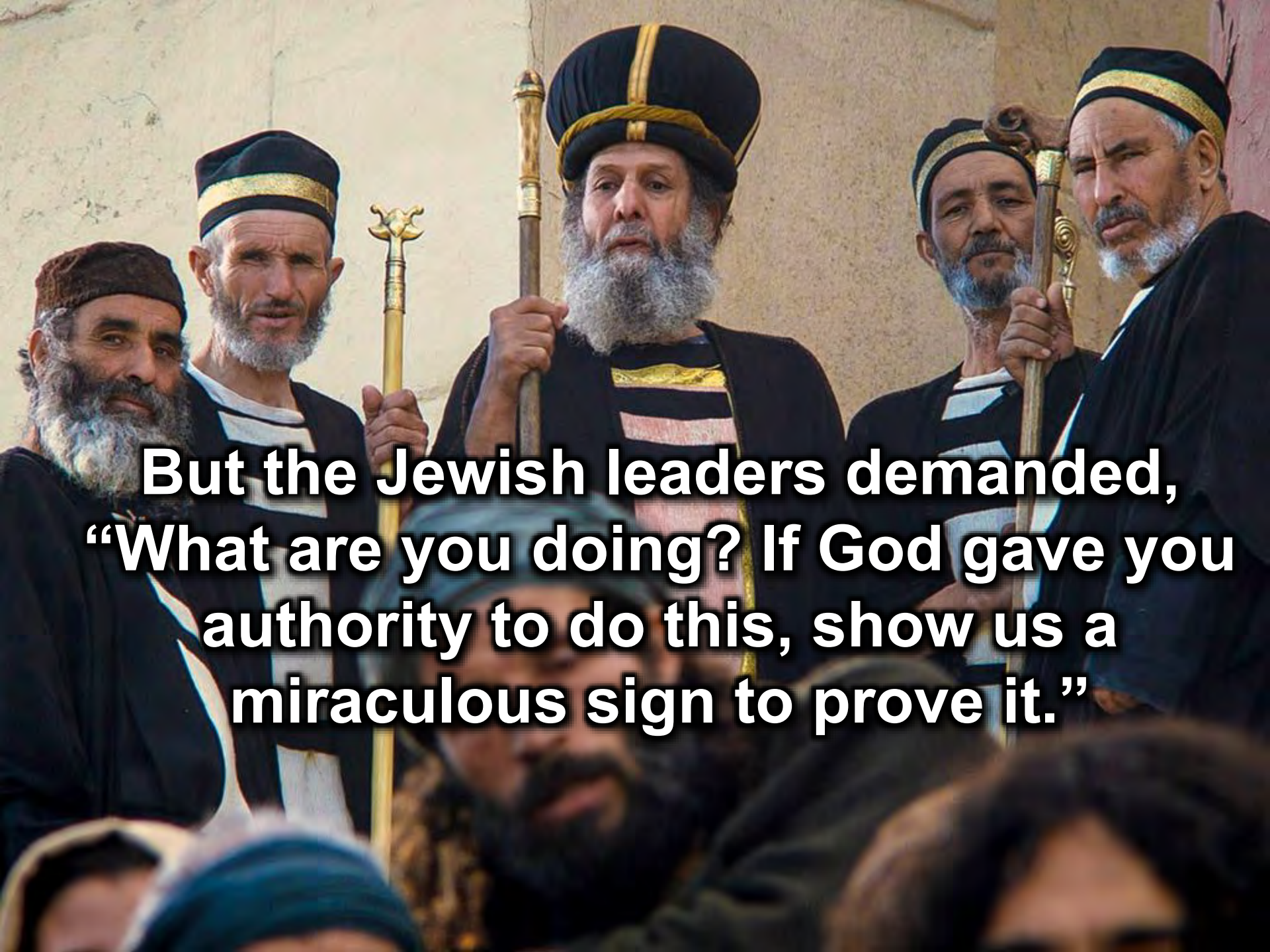
“Get these things out of here. Stop turning my Father’s house into a marketplace!”





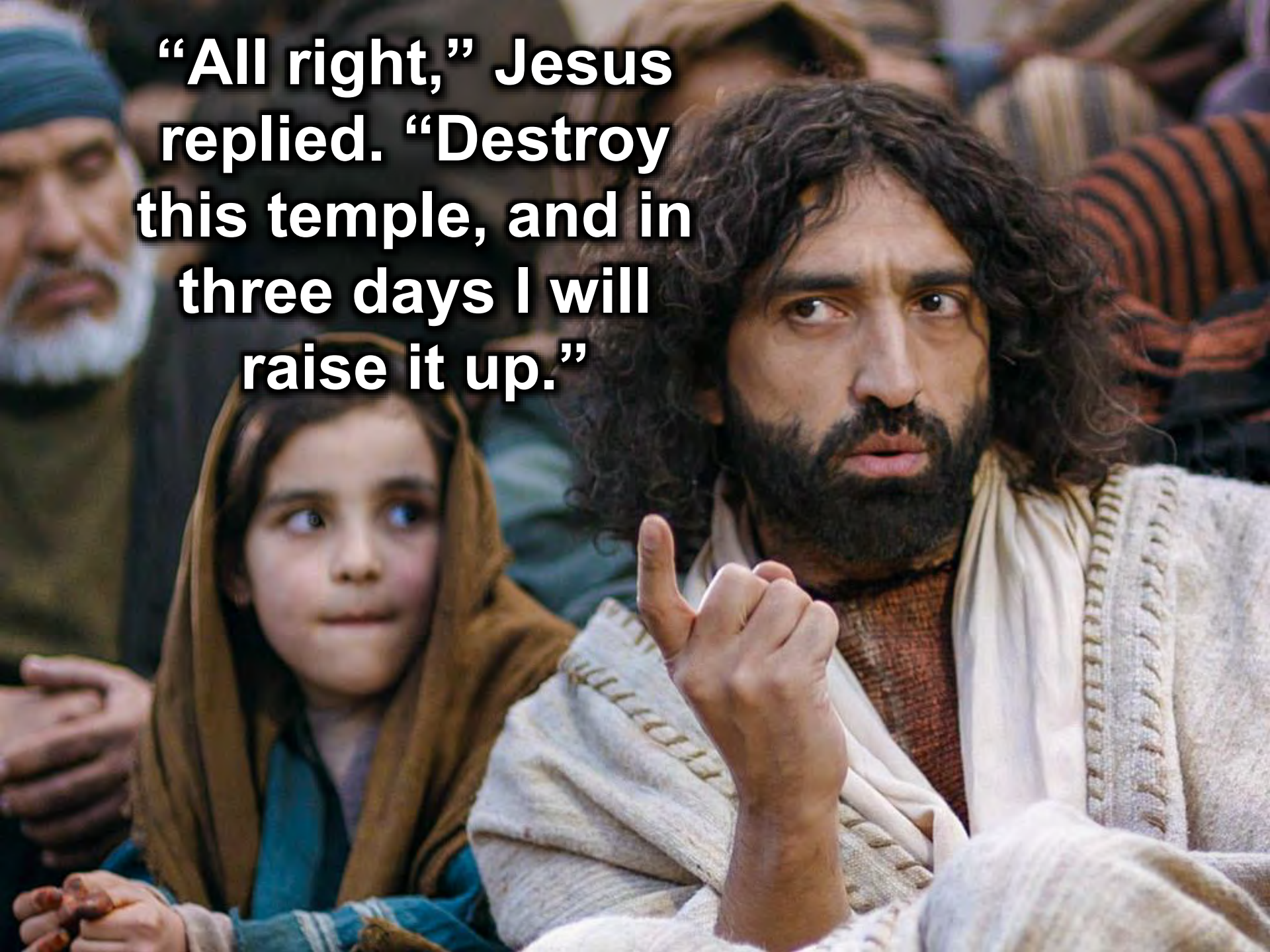
Then his disciples remembered this prophecy from the Scriptures: “Passion for God’s house will consume me.”



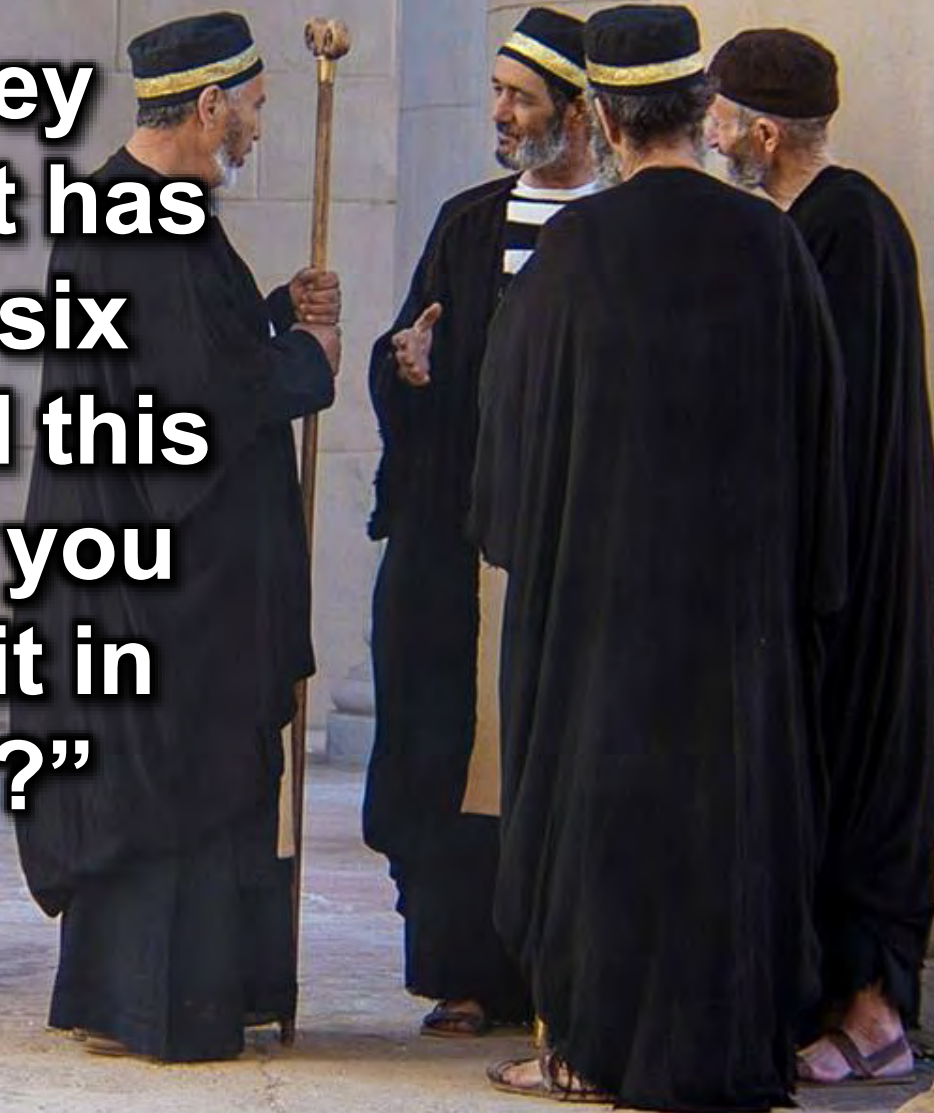


**But the Jewish leaders demanded,
“What are you doing? If God gave you
authority to do this, show us a
miraculous sign to prove it.”**

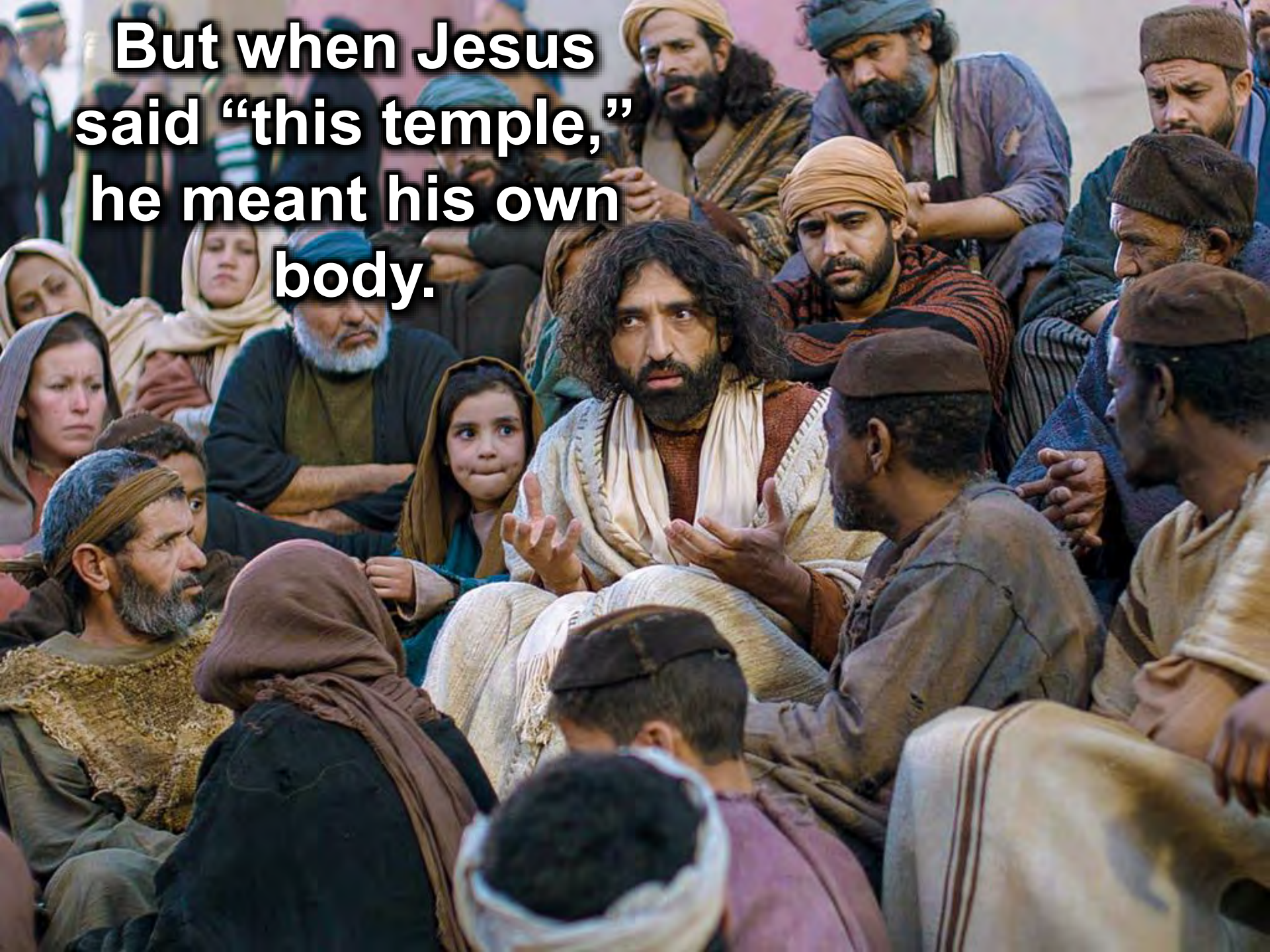
**“All right,” Jesus
replied. “Destroy
this temple, and in
three days I will
raise it up.”**

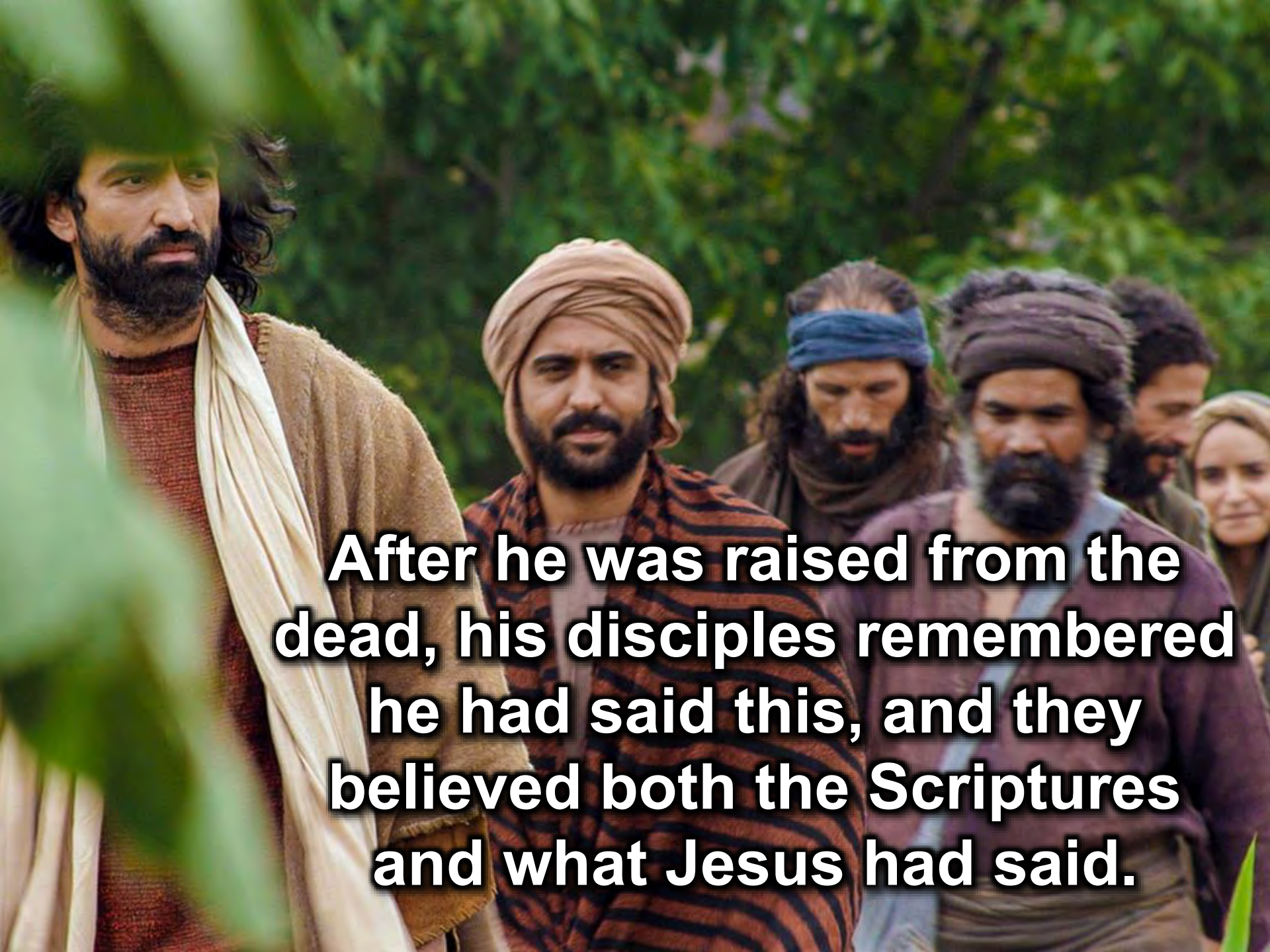


**“What!” they
exclaimed. “It has
taken forty-six
years to build this
Temple, and you
can rebuild it in
three days?”**

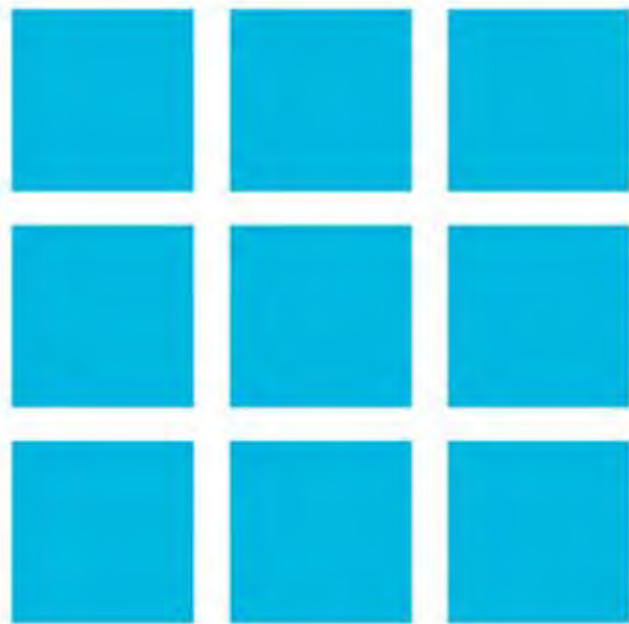


**But when Jesus
said “this temple,”
he meant his own
body.**





After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered he had said this, and they believed both the Scriptures and what Jesus had said.



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**"Don't you realize that
your body is the temple
of the Holy Spirit, who
lives in you and was
given to you by God?
You do not belong to
yourself, ²⁰ for God
bought you with a high
price. So you must
honor God with
your body"**

(1 Cor 6:19-20 NLT).

**How can you be firmly
established in a shaky world?**



Be established with **Christ
as your foundation.**



Main Idea

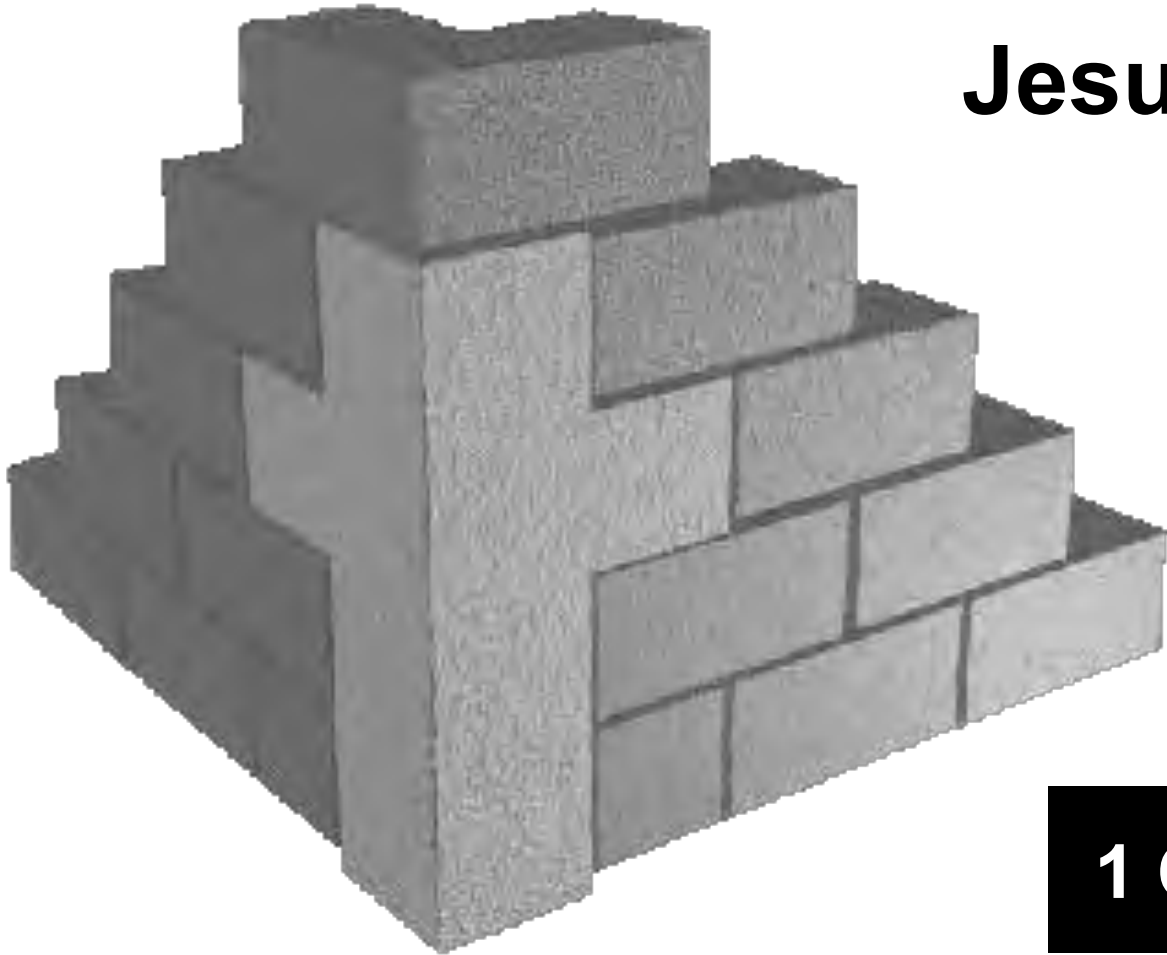


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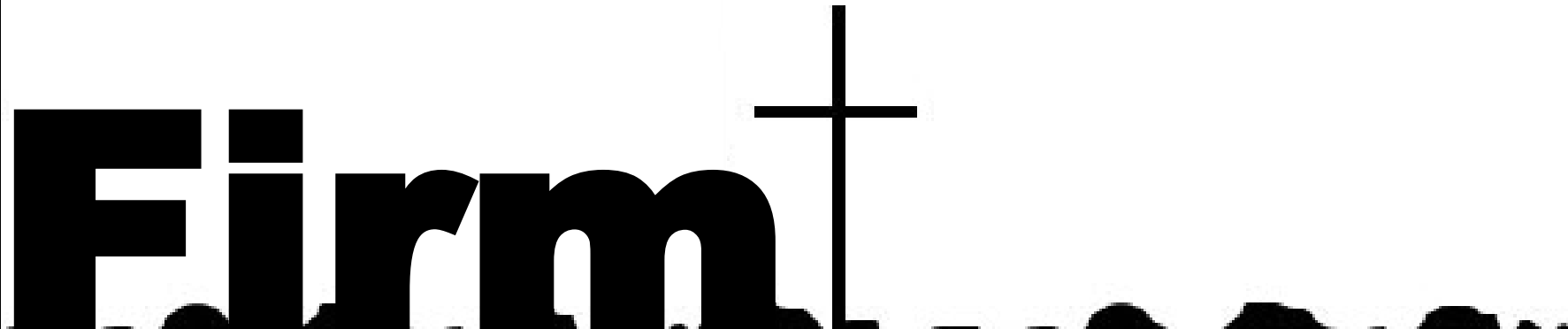
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**"For no one can lay any
foundation other than the
one we already have—
Jesus Christ."**



1 Corinthians 3:11



Firm FOUNDATION

How's yours?

A photograph of a lighthouse situated on a rocky outcrop in the middle of a stormy sea. A massive, white, turbulent wave is crashing against the base of the lighthouse, sending a large plume of water and spray high into the air. The lighthouse itself is a tall, cylindrical structure with a white top section and a lower section featuring horizontal bands of brown and white. The sky is a deep, dark blue, and the sea is dark and choppy with white foam from the waves. The overall scene conveys a sense of immense power and resilience.

Firm Foundation



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GOD'S WORD

**A FIRM
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