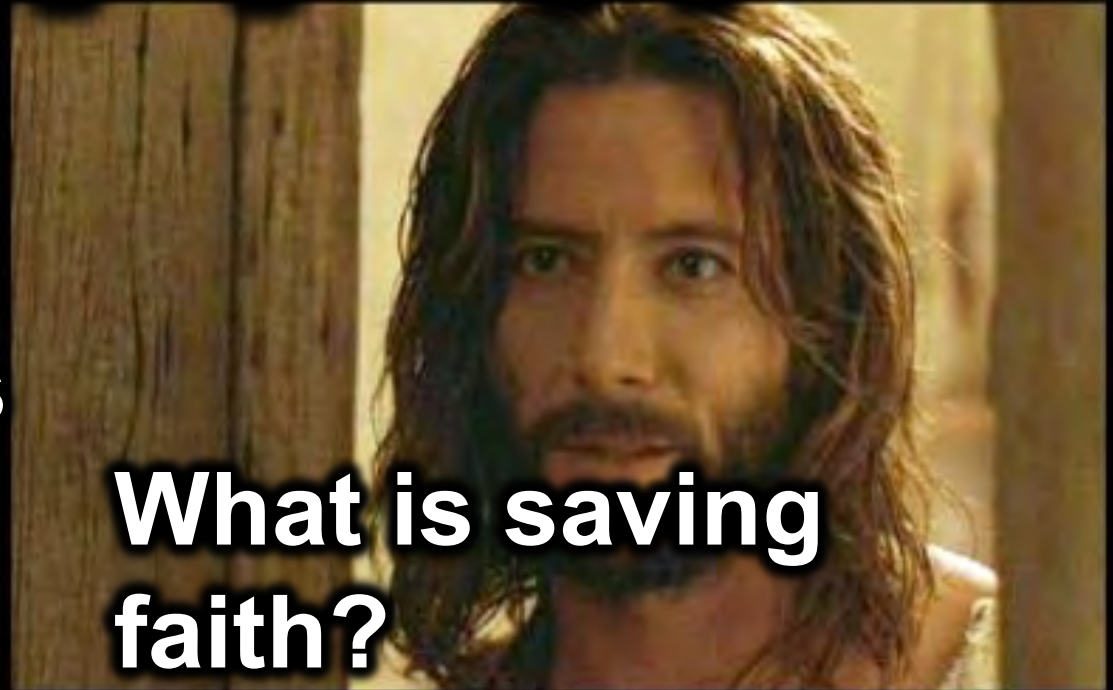


John 1–11

**What must you
trust about Jesus
to be saved?**

**What must you
add to this faith
for salvation?**



**How is it different
from false faith?**

Key Word

107

Believe

John

Theme

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**Deity Made Man
for Eternal Life**

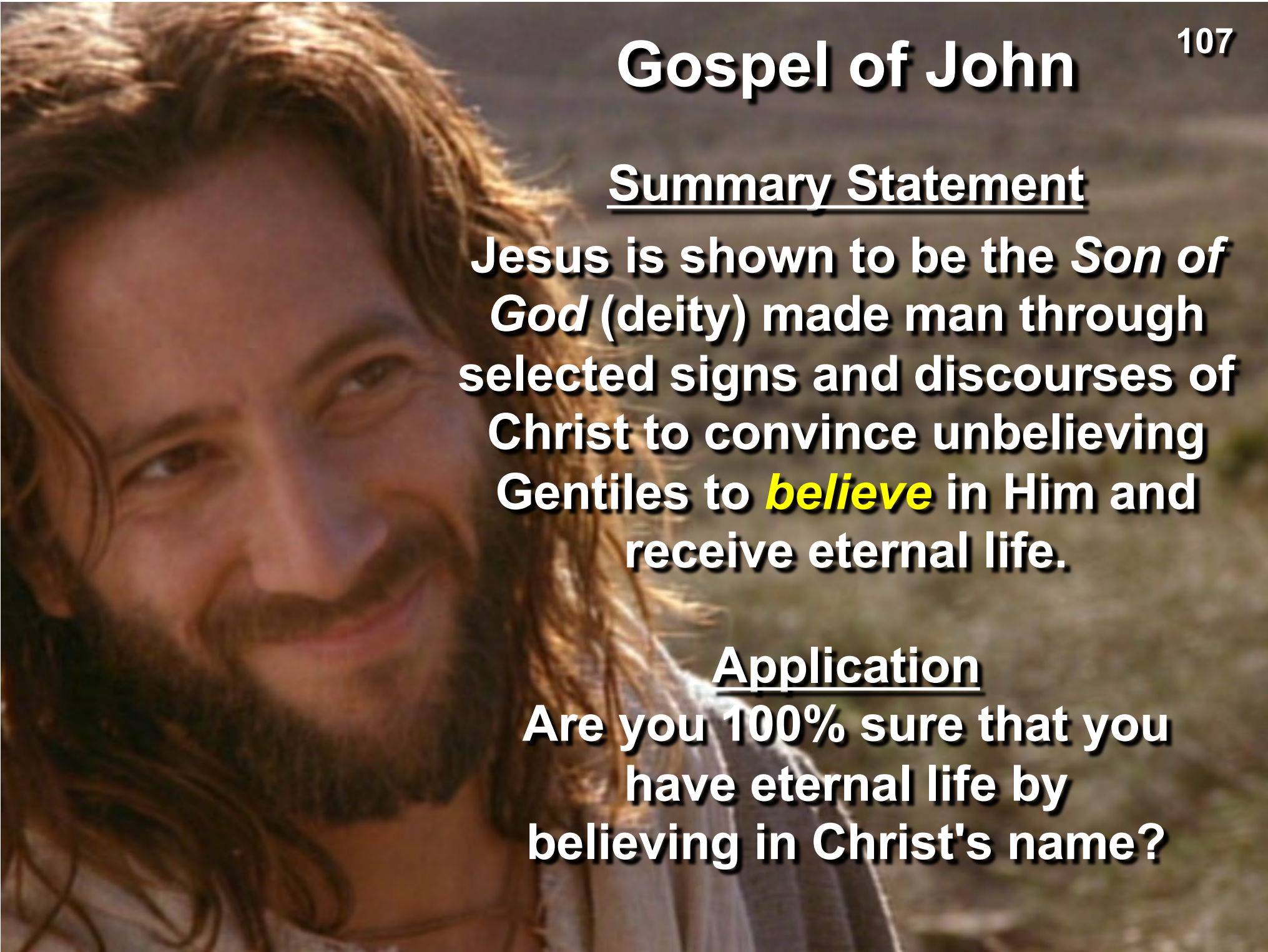
John

Key Verse

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"Jesus did many other miraculous signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written *that you may believe* that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name" (20:30-31).

John



Gospel of John

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Summary Statement

Jesus is shown to be the *Son of God* (deity) made man through selected signs and discourses of Christ to convince unbelieving Gentiles to **believe** in Him and receive eternal life.

Application

Are you 100% sure that you have eternal life by believing in Christ's name?

Kingdom Statement

27a

Unlike the need for the nation of Israel to repent in Matthew and Luke, the words “repent” and “kingdom” do not appear in this gospel, so the focus is on the individual's need to believe in Christ rather than the nation of Israel to trust in Messiah and enter the kingdom.

John

Covenant

27a

The word “covenant” does not appear, but the Spirit predicted in Ezekiel 36:25-32 has many ministries to the believer (chapters 13–17) in the new covenant (cf. Jer. 31:31-34), many of which await Israel to believe in Jesus.

John

Redemption

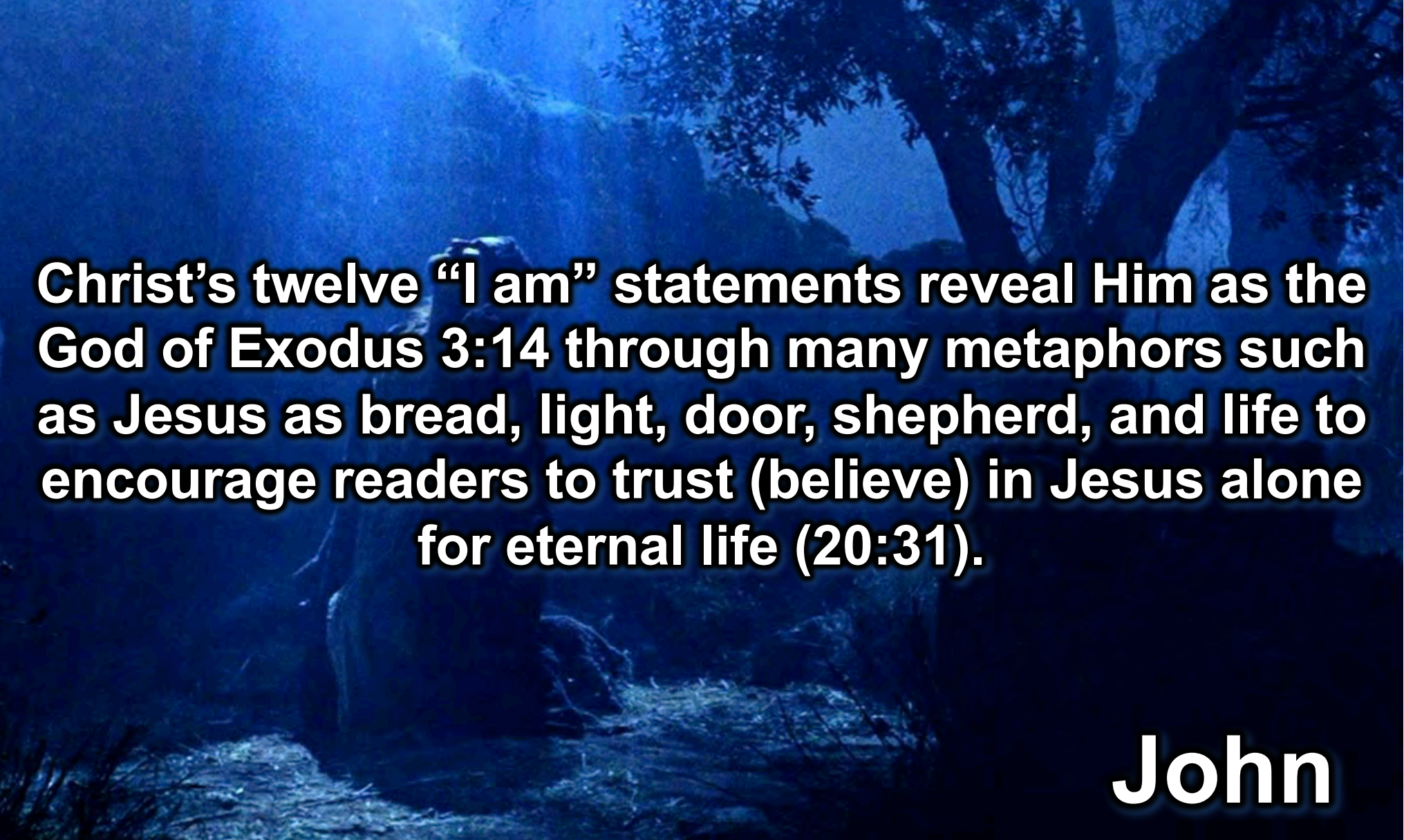
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We must be “born of the Spirit” to be “born again” (3:3) when we simply “believe” Jesus to be the Son of God who forgives our sins (3:16). The noun “belief” is never noted, but the verb forms to “believe” appear 87 times and in nearly every chapter!

John

Jesus (Messianic Prophecy)

27a

A blue-tinted photograph of a person standing in a forest, looking up at a large tree. The person is wearing a dark jacket and is positioned in the lower left of the frame. The tree is large and has many leaves, and it is the central focus of the image. The background is a dense forest with many trees and foliage. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

Christ's twelve "I am" statements reveal Him as the God of Exodus 3:14 through many metaphors such as Jesus as bread, light, door, shepherd, and life to encourage readers to trust (believe) in Jesus alone for eternal life (20:31).

John

Deity Made Man for Eternal Life

Deity of the Son of God	Revelation of the Son of God		Preparation of the Son's Disciples	Passion & Resurrection of the Son of God	Adequacy of the Son of God
1:1-18	1:19–12:50		13–17	18–20	21
Prologue	Public		Private	Public	Private
Incarnation	2 Signs Received 1:19–4:54	5 Signs Rejected 5–12	Upper Room Discourse (no signs)	Ultimate Sign	Last Sign
Eternity Past	Fall AD 29- Monday, 30 March 33		Thursday, 2 April 33	Friday, 3 April 33- Sunday, 5 April 33	May, AD 33

Ephesus (AD 65-69)

- 1 **J**esus is the Word
- 2 **O**utstanding miracle at Cana
- 3 **H**eavenly birth taught Nicodemus
- 4 **N**eed of Samaritan woman

- 5 **T**estimony to Jesus' deity
- 6 **H**oly Bread of life
- 7 **E**xclamation at the feast

- 8 **G**race for adulteress defended
- 9 **O**pposition to removing blindness
- 10 **S**hepherd and His sheep
- 11 **P**ower to raise Lazarus
- 12 **E**ntry into Jerusalem triumphant
- 13 **L**ast supper and discourse

- 14 **O**ffer of Holy Spirit
- 15 **F**ruit of the Vine

- 16 **B**eliever's comfort and joy
- 17 **E**xtended prayer of Christ
- 18 **L**ord's betrayal and denial
- 19 **I**llegal trials and crucifixion
- 20 **E**yewitnesses to the resurrection
- 21 **F**inal charge to Peter

Written by "the disciple whom Jesus loved"



John

The Acrostic Bible by Barry Huddleston

**THAT YOU MAY
BELIEVE**
THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN

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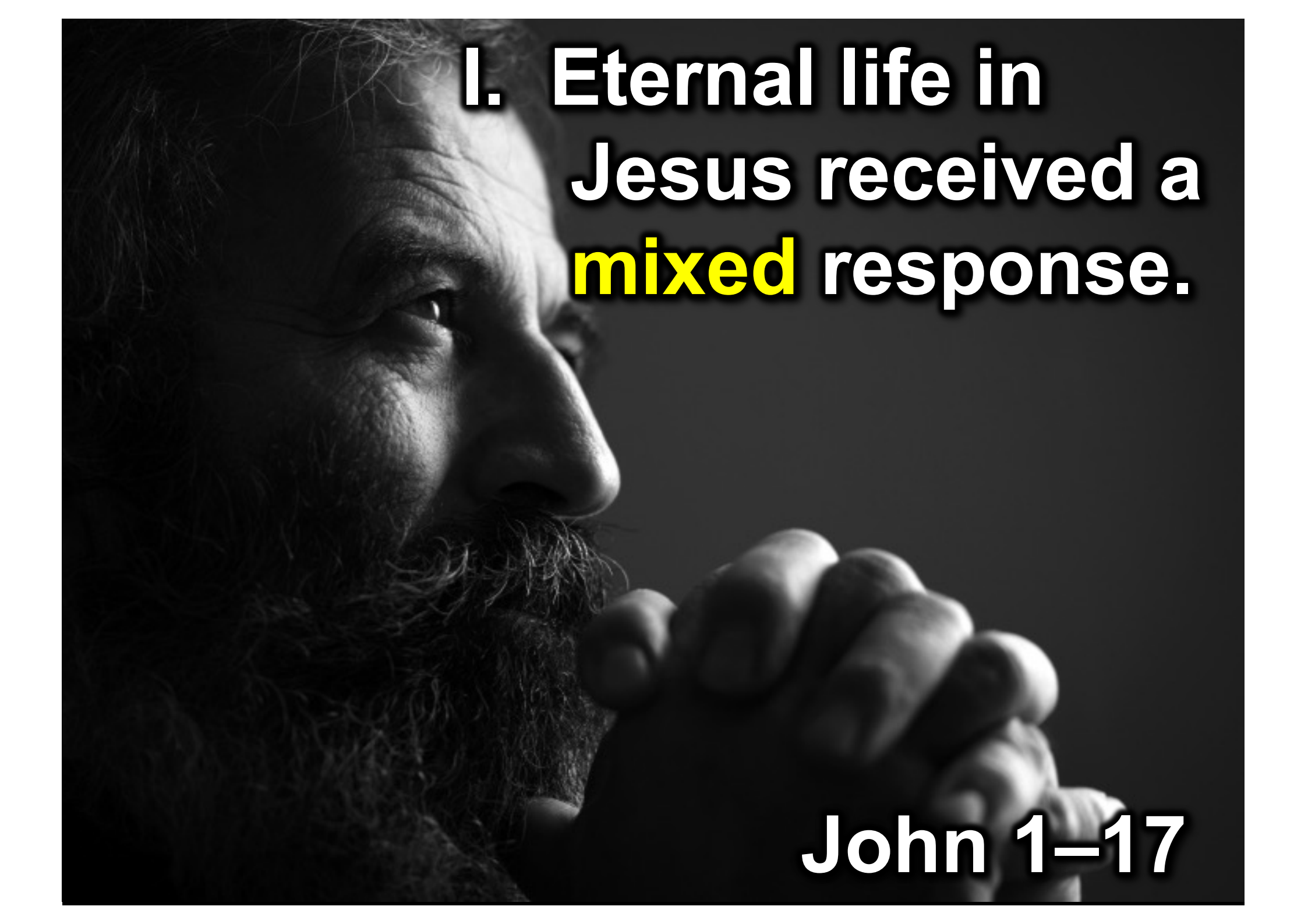
What is eternal life?

John

How can you obtain **eternal** life?



John



**I. Eternal life in
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mixed response.**

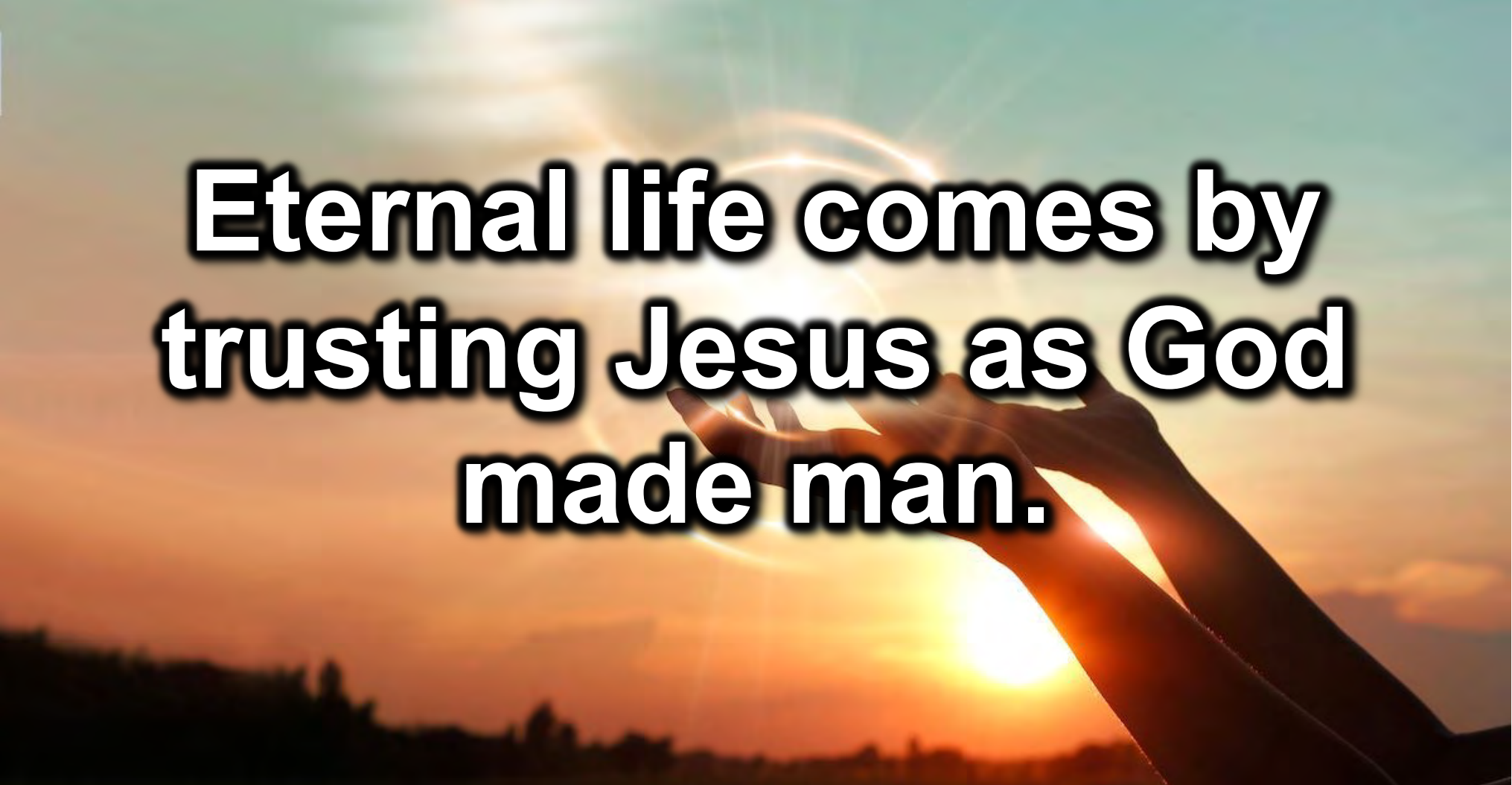
John 1–17

II. Eternal life comes by
believing that Jesus died
and rose for you.



John 18–21

Main Idea

A hand is shown reaching upwards, palm open, towards a bright sun. A faint rainbow is visible in the sky above the sun. The background is a sunset or sunrise scene with a silhouette of trees at the bottom.

**Eternal life comes by
trusting Jesus as God
made man.**

John

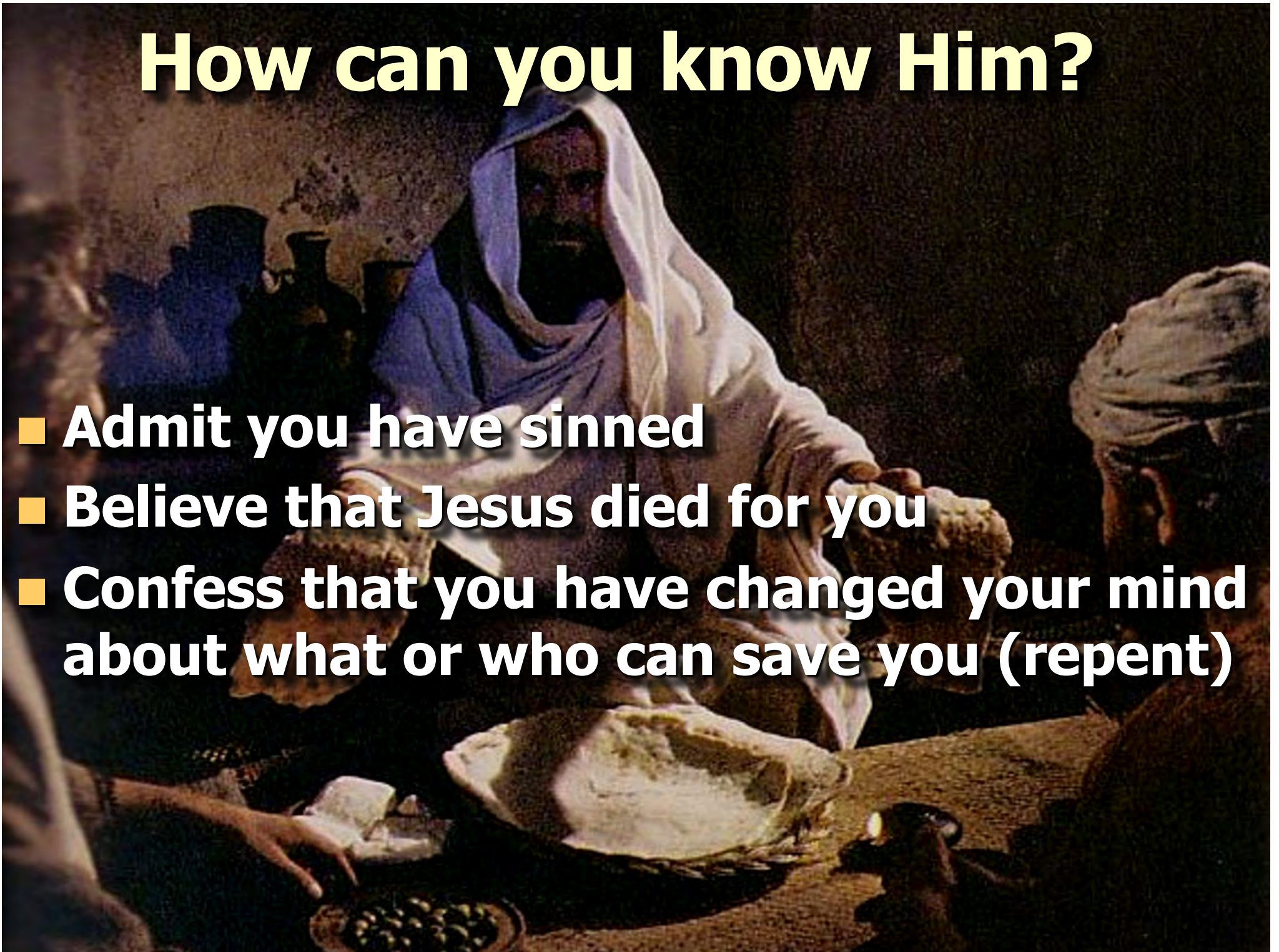
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perish but have eternal life.

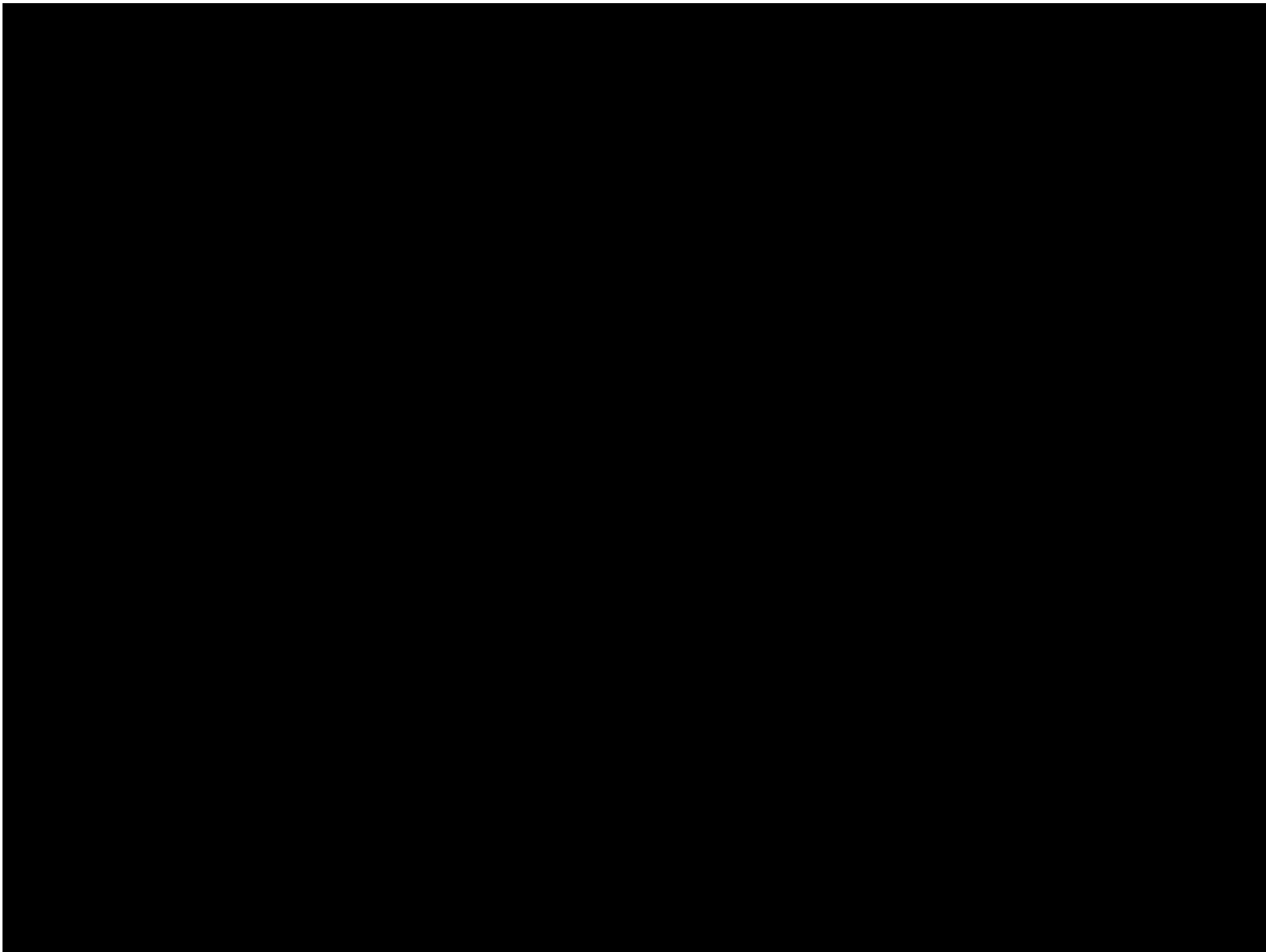
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John 3:16

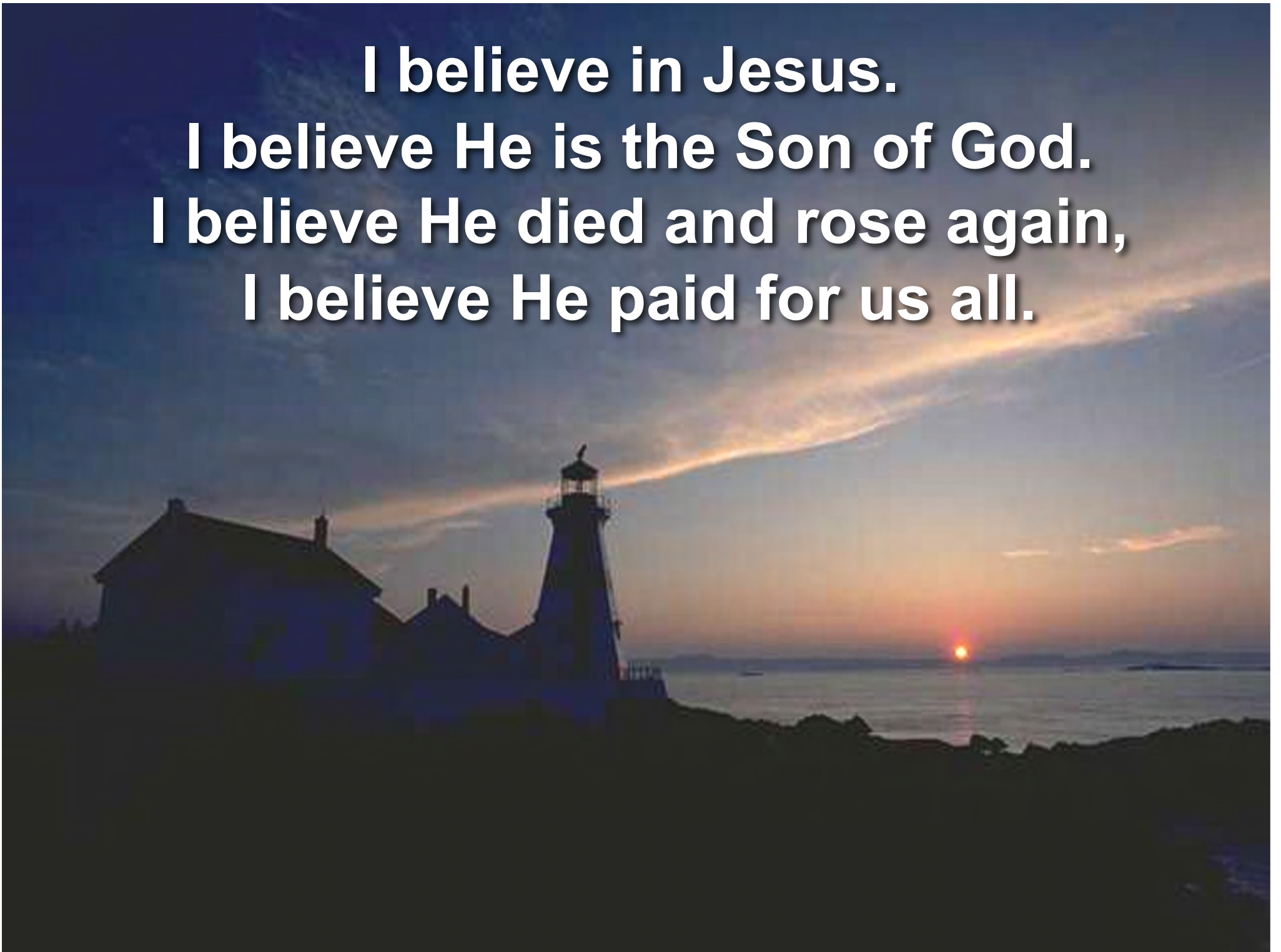
How can you know Him?

- Admit you have sinned
- Believe that Jesus died for you
- Confess that you have changed your mind about what or who can save you (repent)

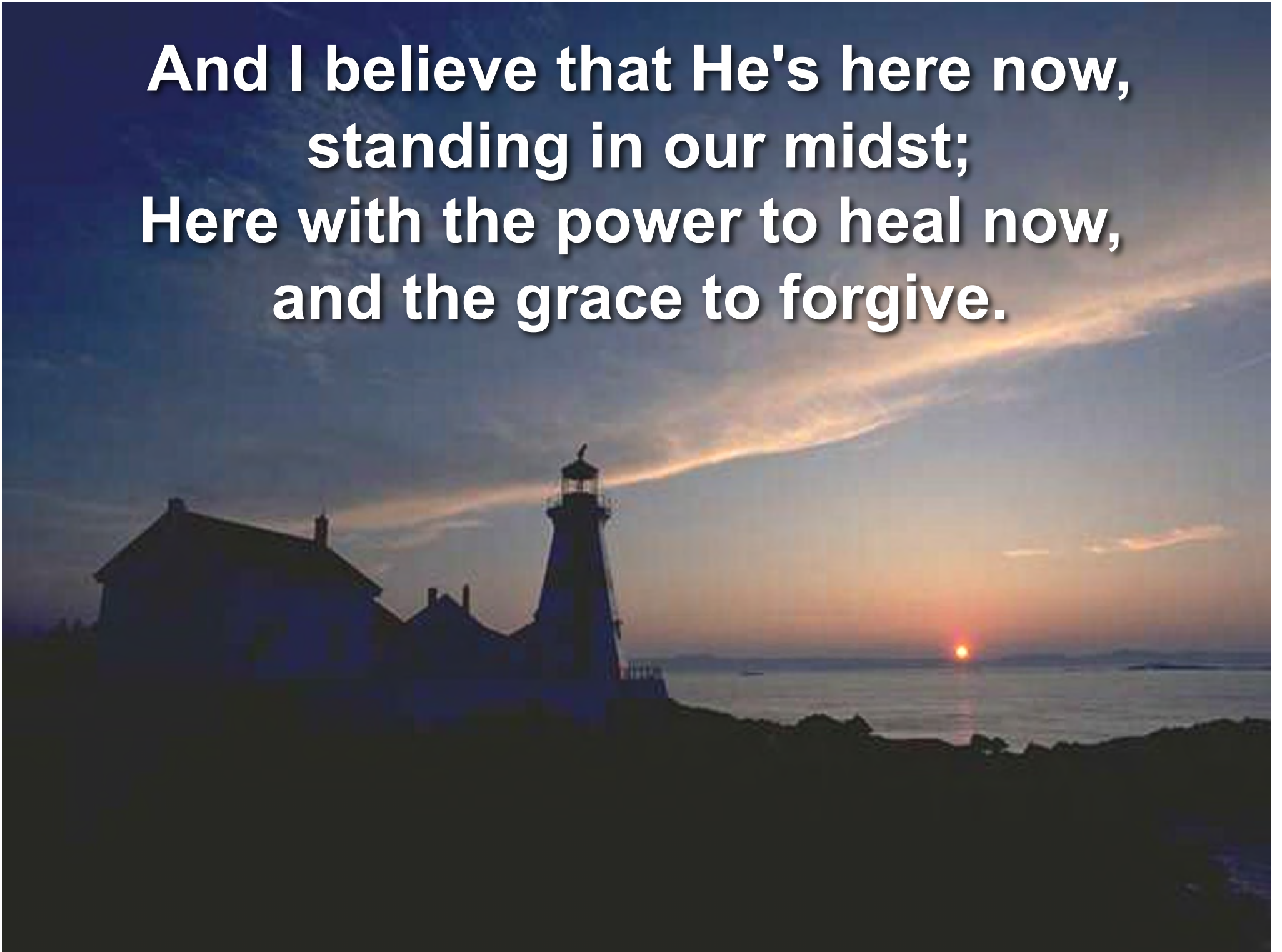




**I believe in Jesus.
I believe He is the Son of God.
I believe He died and rose again,
I believe He paid for us all.**



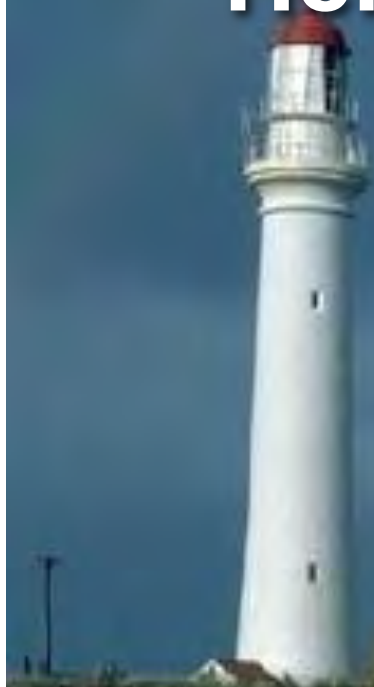
**And I believe that He's here now,
standing in our midst;
Here with the power to heal now,
and the grace to forgive.**



**I believe in You, Lord.
I believe You are the Son of God.
I believe You died and rose again,
I believe You paid for us all.**



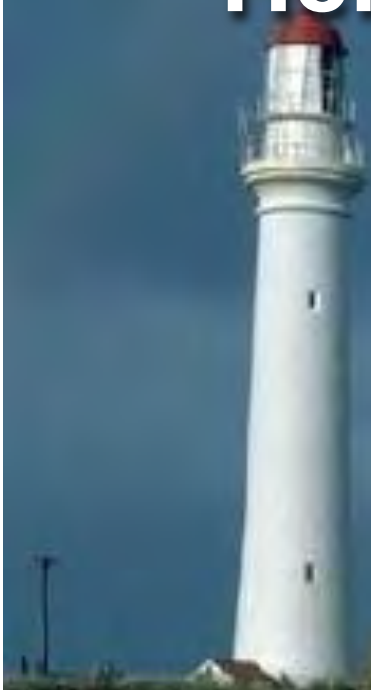
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Two men are seated at a light-colored wooden table against a plain white background. The man on the left is wearing a yellow long-sleeved shirt and a dark tie with small white polka dots. He is holding a red square sign above his head with his right hand. The man on the right is wearing a dark blue long-sleeved shirt and a brown patterned tie. He is holding a green square sign above his head with his right hand. Both men have serious expressions. On the table in front of them are some papers and pens.

**Now
for...**

**a little
review...**

The Synoptic Problem



The Synoptic Problem in a nutshell:

- How do we explain their similarities?
- How do we explain their differences?

Indicators that Matthew wrote the First Gospel



External Indicator #1: Testimony of Eusebius (4th cent.)

"Among the four Gospels, which are the only indisputable ones in the Church of God under heaven, I have learned by tradition [from 2nd cent. Origen] that **the first [Gospel] was written by Matthew**, who was once a publican, but afterwards an apostle of Jesus Christ, and it was prepared for the converts from Judaism, and published in the Hebrew language."



(Eusebius, *Eccl. Hist.* 6.25.4
quoting Origen of
the 2nd century)

External Indicator #1: Testimony of Eusebius (4th cent.)

"The second is by **Mark**, who composed it according to the instructions of Peter, who in his Catholic [i.e., General] epistle acknowledges him as a son, saying, 'The church that is at Babylon elected together with you, saluteth you, and so doth Marcus, my son.' And the third by **Luke**, the Gospel commended by Paul, and composed for Gentile converts. Last of all that by **John**."



(Eusebius, *Eccl. Hist.* 6.25.4
quoting Origen of
the 2nd century)

Oxford papyrus 'is eyewitness record of the life of Christ'

By MATTHEW D'ANCONA

A PAPYRUS believed to be the oldest extant fragment of the New Testament has been found in an Oxford library. It provides the first material evidence that the Gospel according to St Matthew is an eyewitness account written by contemporaries of Christ.

In a paper to be published next month, Carsten Thiede, a German papyrologist, will claim that three scraps of Matthew belonging to Magdalen College date from the mid-first century AD. The fragments, which have been kept at the college since 1901, were thought originally to have been written in the late second century.

Not since the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls in 1947 has there been such a potentially important breakthrough in biblical scholarship. The new date is important evidence that Matthew was written a generation after the Crucifixion, or even earlier.

Little work has been done on the Magdalen papyrus since it was edited in 1953. Dr Thiede, who works in Paderborn, consulted the papyrus out of curiosity when his family visited Oxford in February.

Examination of the writing style led him to conclude: "The Magdalen fragment now appears to belong to a style of handwriting that was current in the first century BC and slowly petered out around the mid-first century AD. Even a hesitant approach to questions of dating would therefore seem to justify a date in the first century, about a hundred years earlier than was previously thought."

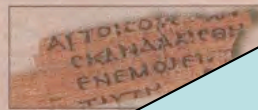
The lines on the fragments are from the 26th chapter of the gospel and therefore in-

clude the oldest surviving written reference to the treachery of Judas and to Mary Magdalene.

The publication of Dr Thiede's paper in the specialist journal *Zeitschrift für Papyrologie* is expected to provoke a fierce argument among scholars. Early opposition is being led by Peter Parsons,



Thiede and one of the gospel fragments



Detail

...ing article, page 15

Regius Professor of Greek at Oxford. "We are not now inclined to date things late just because they have Christian content... On the other hand, that's no reason to push things too early," he said.

Professor Parsons, a papyrologist at Christ Church, said that Dr Thiede's argument was "sloppy" and based on the misassumption that all scribes of the Jewish diaspora wrote in the same script.

London: The Times 24 Dec 94

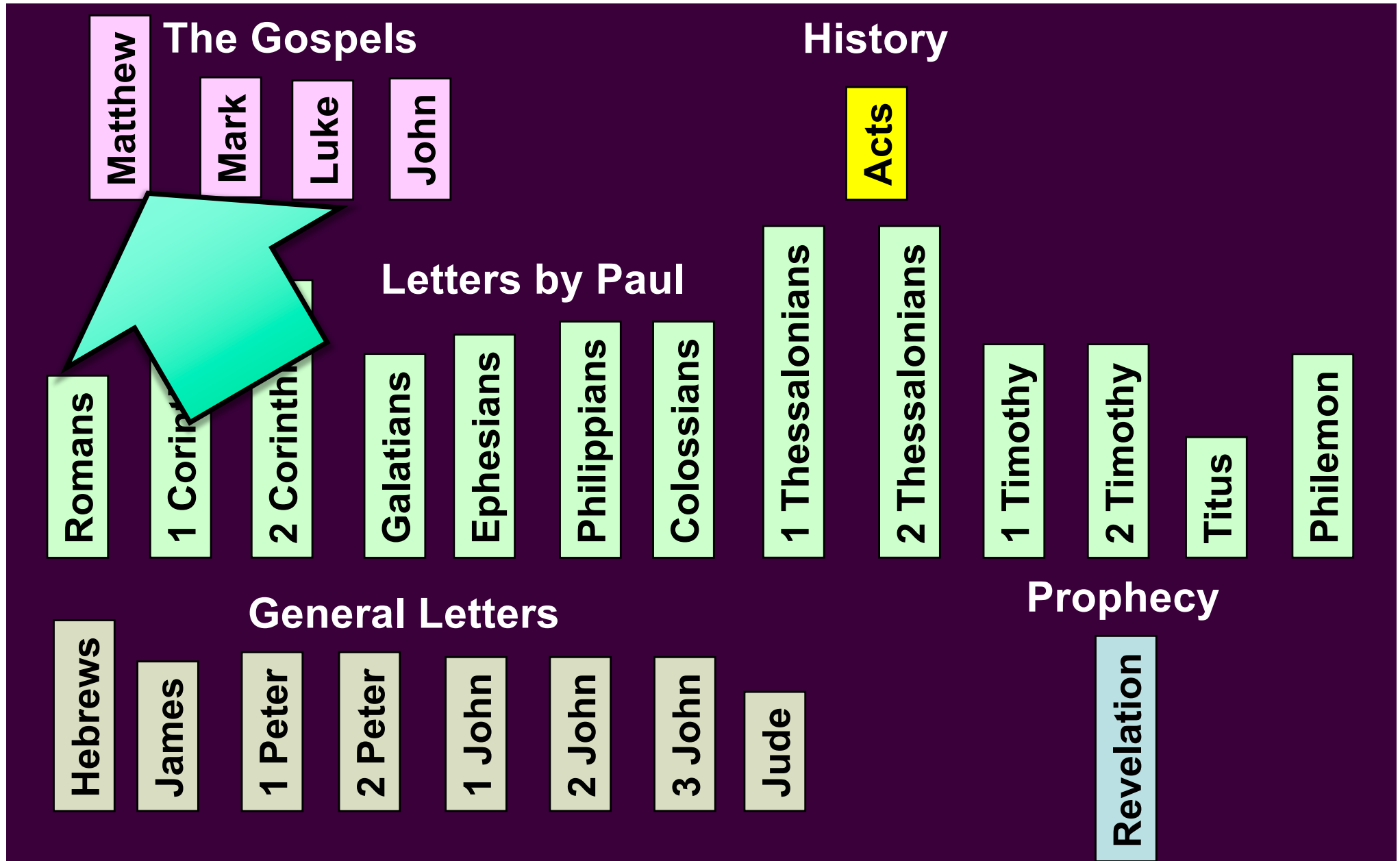
External Indicator #2: Papyrus from about AD 50

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(Dr. Carsten Thiede)



External Indicator #3: Placement First in the NT

78a



Internal Indicator: Matthew Wrote to Jews



Irenaeus
AD 180

Against Heresies 3.1

78a

"**Matthew** also issued a written Gospel among the Hebrews in their own dialect, while Peter and Paul were preaching at Rome [**AD 60-68**], and laying the foundations of the Church.

After their departure [**post AD 68**], **Mark**, the disciple and interpreter of Peter, did also hand down to us in writing what had been preached by Peter. **Luke** also, the companion of Paul, recorded in a book the Gospel preached by him [**no date given**].

Afterwards [**post 68**], **John**, the disciple of the Lord, who also had leaned upon His breast, did himself publish a Gospel during his residence at Ephesus in Asia."

Acceptance of the Four Gospels Before Nicaea

Clearing History

X= Citation
or allusion

O= Named
as authentic

Individuals **Canons** **Translations**

Pseudo-Barnabas (70-130)
Clement of Rome (95-97)
Polycarp (110-150)
Hermas (115-140)
Didache (120-150)
Papias (130-140)
Irenaeus (130-140)
Justin Martyr (150-202)
Origen (185-254)
Cyril of Jerusalem (315-386)
Marcion (140)
Muratorian (170)
Barococcio (206)
Apostolic (300)
Tatian Diatesseron (170)
Old Latin (150-170)
Old Syriac (200)

Matthew	X	X	X	X	X	O	X	X	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O
Mark	X		X	X		O	X	X	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O
Luke	X		X		X	O	X	X	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O
John				X		O	O	X	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O

1st
Cent.

Gospel of
Thomas
AD 50-140

Gospel of
Judas
AD 170?

AD 325

Council of Nicaea



Key Word
Sovereignty

Key Verse
**"For the Son of Man
came to seek and to save
what was lost"
(Luke 19:10).**



Common Authorship of Luke-Acts

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Both dedicated to Theophilus

Acts 1:1 refers to "the first account"

Similar language (medical terms)

Same theme (sovereignty)

Chronological orientation

A stylized illustration of a green tree with a dark trunk, standing on a grassy hill. The background is a blue sky with several bright yellow light streaks or rays emanating from behind the tree. The overall style is artistic and somewhat abstract, with a textured, painterly feel. The text 'Our Priorities' is overlaid on the right side of the image in a bold, yellow font with a dark outline.

Our Priorities



Our Vision is to...

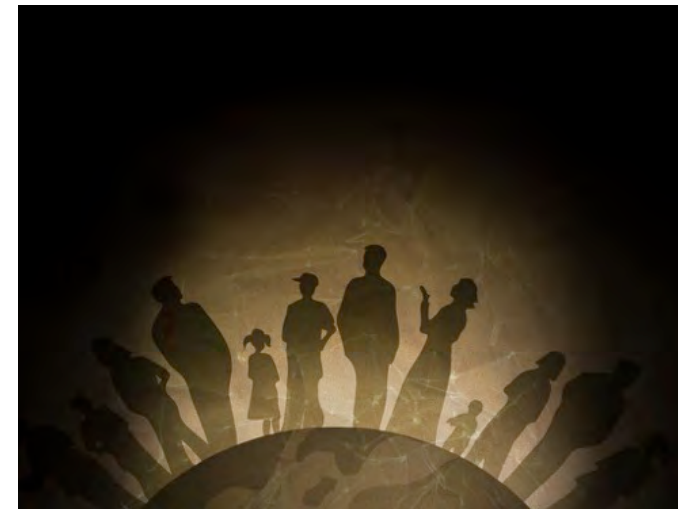
Love God



**Love the
Church**



**Love the
Nations**



Attacks Against Scripture



*Since the early church false teaching
has tried to undermine our faith*



- The Bible is continually attacked
- However, discoveries continue to verify its accuracy

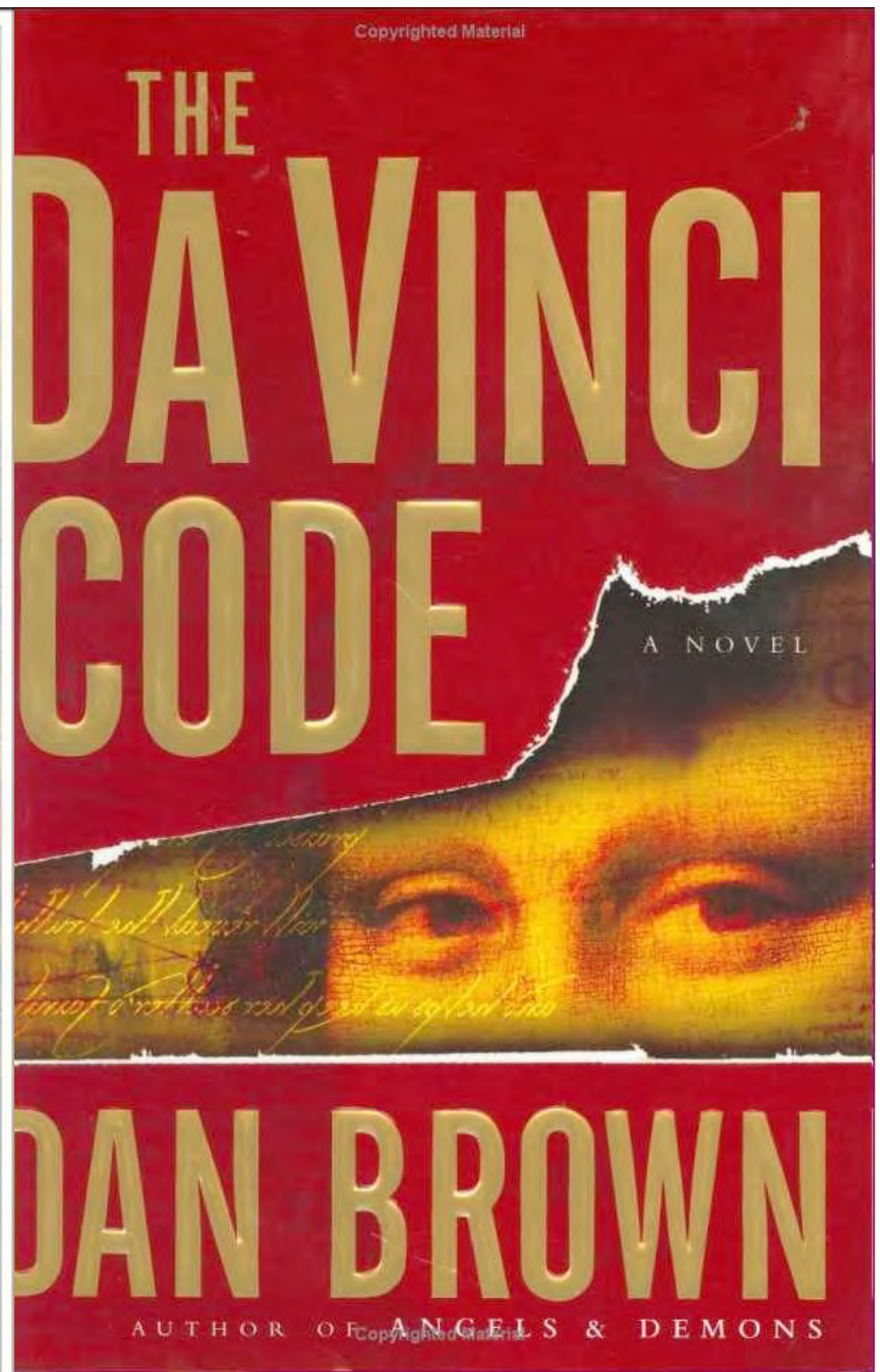


Answer the Critics

But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. **Always be prepared to give an answer** to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.

1 Peter 3:15

THE WORD OF GOD

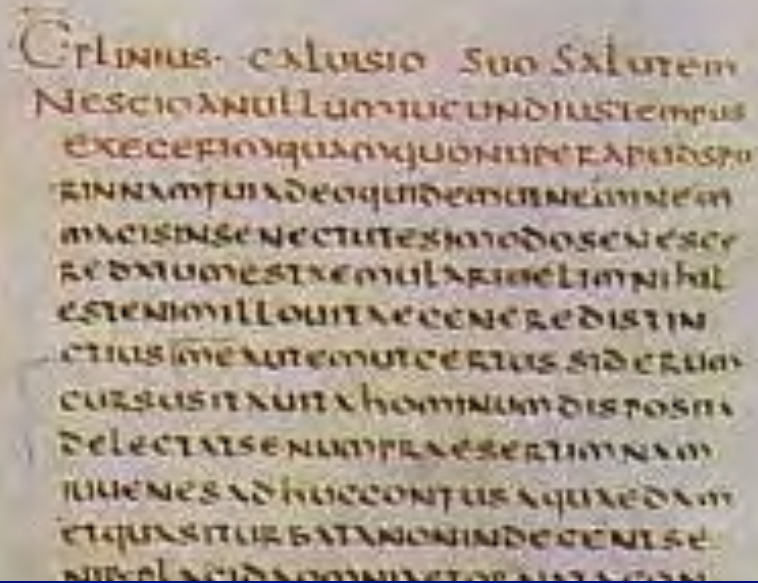




The New Testament Literary Context

***Primary Sources to
Understand the
First Century***

Pliny the Younger (AD 111-113)



C. PLINIUS. CALPURNIO SUO SALUTEM
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EXCEPIT QUAM QUONIAM INTER ALIOS
PUNIAMUS AD EUM QUONIAM IN MEUM
MAIUS INGENUITES MODOS ENESER
REDUXIMUS ESTE MULATRIE LITINIBIL
ESTENIM ILLI QUIA CENERE DISTIN
CTUS IN MEUM MOTE CERTUS SIDERUM
CURSUS ITA HUIUS HOMINUM DISTIN
DELECTATSE NUMPRAEERTIUM NAM
IUVENES AD HUC CONTUS AQUAEDAM
ET QUAM SITURBATA NOMINDE CENISE
MULATRIE CENISE CENISE CENISE



- Wrote letters to the Emperor Trajan
- Said Christians gathered on a certain day (Sunday?) "to sing responsively a hymn to Christ as if to a god" (*Epistle* 10.96)—the earliest Latin reference to Jesus Christ



Roman Historians

(year of death)

- Cicero (43 BC)
- Livy (AD 17)
- Pliny the Younger (AD 113)
- Tacitus (AD 120)

About persecuted Christians under Nero:
"Their name comes from Christus, who, in the reign of Tiberius as emperor was condemned to death by the procurator Pontius Pilate"

(Tacitus, *Annals* 15.44 in AD 115)



Roman Historians

(year of death)

- Cicero (43 BC)
- Livy (AD 17)
- Pliny the Younger (AD 113)
- Tacitus (AD 120)
- Suetonius (AD 121)

Claudius expelled Jews from Rome "who had been continually stirring up trouble under the influence of Chrestus" (oops!)

(Suetonius, *Lives of the Caesars*, ch. 25, in AD 120; cf. Acts 18:2)

Other Unbelieving Early Historians Mention Jesus too...

- **Lucian**

- **Mara bar Serapion**



Extant Copies of Pagan vs. NT Writings

Author	When Written	Earliest Copy	Time Span	Number of Copies
Plato	347 BC	AD 900	1200 yrs	7
Catullus	54 BC	AD 1550	1600 yrs	3
Pliny	AD 113	AD 850	750 yrs	7

Significance of Josephus



- Earliest non-Christian witness to the historicity of Jesus Christ (AD 93-94)

Short quote by Josephus

"Convening the judges of the Sanhedrin, he [Ananus, son of Annas] brought before them a man named James, the brother of **Jesus who was called the Christ**, and certain others. He accused them of having transgressed the law, and condemned them to be stoned to death"

(Ant. 20.9.1 in Maier, 276; cf. Whiston, 4:140).

Josephus inaccurately refers to James as the brother of Jesus (cf. Acts 12:1-2; AD 44).

Long quote (two versions)



Jewish

"At this time there was a wise man called Jesus, and his conduct was good, and he was known to be virtuous. Many people among the Jews and the other nations became his disciples. Pilate condemned him to be crucified and to die. But those who had become his disciples did not abandon his discipleship. They reported that he appeared to them three days after his crucifixion and that he was alive. Accordingly, he was perhaps the Messiah, concerning whom the prophets have reported wonders. And the tribe of the Christians, so named after him, has not disappeared to this day."

Christian

"About this time lived Jesus, a wise man, *if indeed one ought to call him a man.* For he was the achiever of extraordinary deeds and was a teacher of those who accept the truth gladly. He won over many Jews and many of the Greeks. *He was the Messiah.* When he was indicted by the principal men among us and Pilate condemned him to be crucified, those who had come to love him originally did not cease to do so; for *he appeared to them* on the third day restored to life, as the prophets of the Deity had foretold these and countless other marvelous things about him. And the tribe of Christians, so named after him, has not disappeared to this day."

Brown:

Bible:

Only human

God-Man

**Who is
Jesus
Christ...
really?**



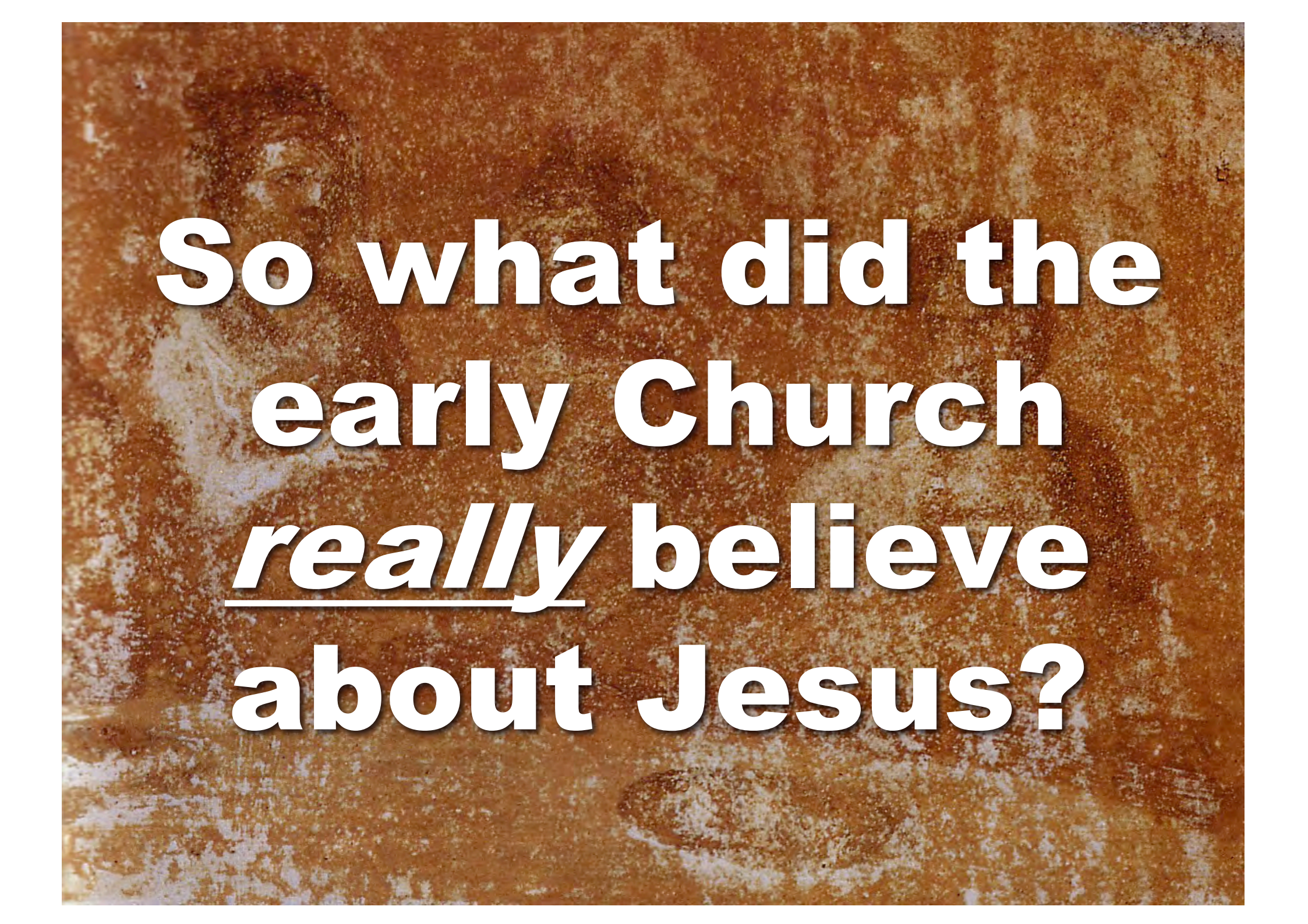
A black and white portrait of Leigh Teabing, an older man with short, light-colored hair, resting his chin on his hand. The image is partially obscured by text boxes.

Brown's view of Jesus through "historian" Leigh Teabing...

**"My dear," Teabing declared,
"until [AD 325], Jesus was
viewed by His followers as a
mortal prophet... a great and
powerful man, but a *man*
nonetheless. A mortal."**

**[Sophie:] "Not the Son of
God?"**

**"Right," Teabing said. "Jesus'
establishment as 'the Son of
God' was officially proposed
and voted on by the Council of
Nicaea."**

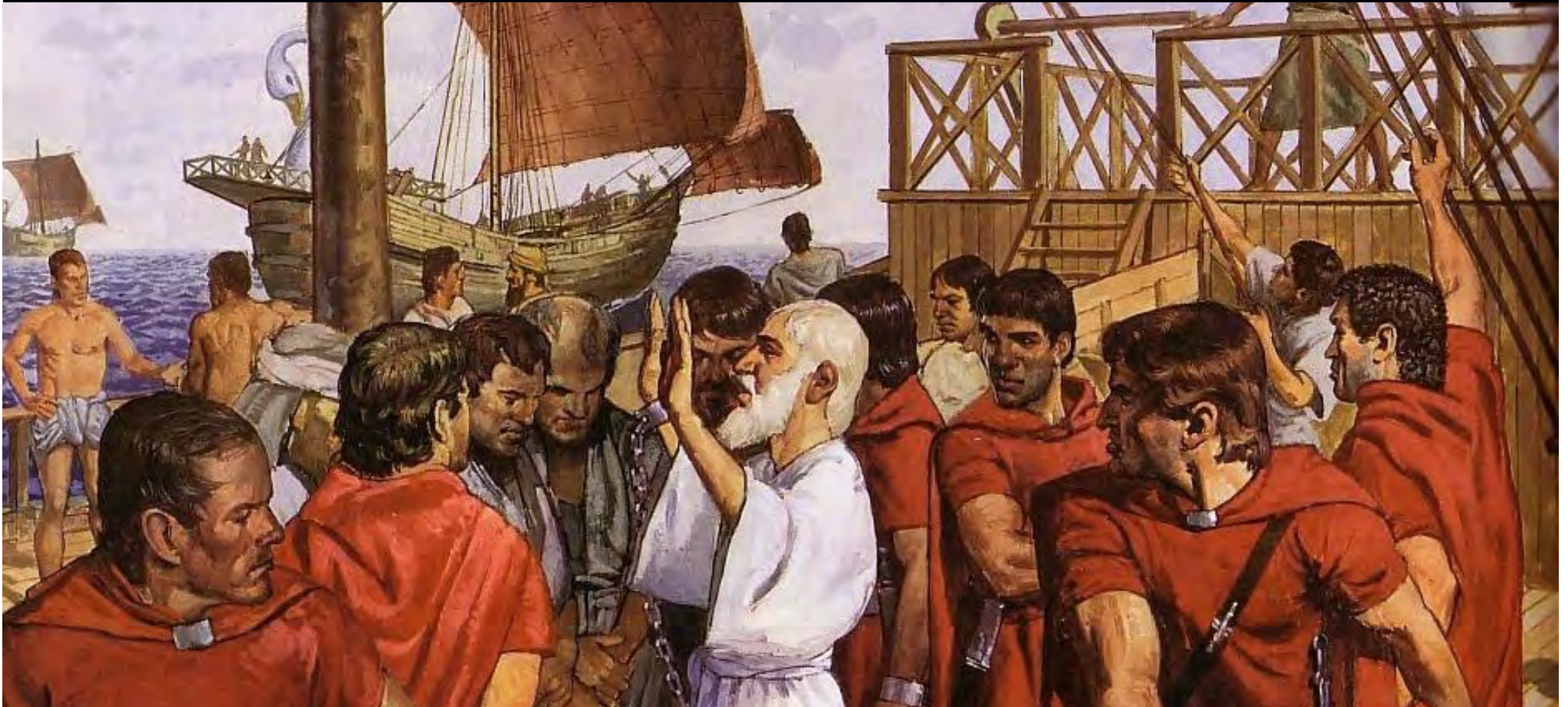


**So what did the
early Church
really believe
about Jesus?**

Would Christians who "believed that Jesus was only a man" really need to worship secretly in the catacombs? Nonsense!



Would Christians who "believed that Jesus was only a man" die as martyrs? Hardly!



Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch, refused emperor worship and was brought to Rome to be fed to wild beasts.



Perpetua's Martyrdom (AD 203)

Irenaeus (AD 180)



"It is not possible that the Gospels can be either more or fewer in number than they are.

For, since there are four **zones** of the world... and four principal **winds**... it is fitting that [the Church] should have four **pillars**...." (then he lists Matthew, Mark, Luke & John)

Against Heresies 3.11.8

Irenaeus (AD 180)



Against Heresies 3.1

"**Matthew** also issued a written Gospel among the Hebrews in their own dialect, while Peter and Paul were preaching at Rome, and laying the foundations of the Church. After their departure, **Mark**, the disciple and interpreter of Peter, did also hand down to us in writing what had been preached by Peter. **Luke** also, the companion of Paul, recorded in a book the Gospel preached by him. Afterwards, **John**, the disciple of the Lord, who also had leaned upon His breast, did himself publish a Gospel during his residence at Ephesus in Asia."

***"A FINISHED PORTRAIT
OF THE
LORD JESUS CHRIST"***

**AS SEEN THROUGH
FOUR DIFFERENT LENSES**

STUDY HELP #21

EACH GOSPEL WRITER HAD:

- His specific audience
- His unique presentation of the person of Jesus Christ
- His foundational purpose for writing his Gospel
- His own date of writing

FOUR INDIVIDUAL PORTRAITS...

1

2

3

4

FRAMING THE GOSPELS...

1 MATTHEW

2 MARK

3 LUKE

4 JOHN

THE AUDIENCES FOR THE GOSPELS...

1 MATTHEW

TO: JEWS

2 MARK

TO: ROMANS

3 LUKE

TO: GREEKS

4 JOHN

TO: CHURCH

...PORTRAYING JESUS AS...

1 MATTHEW

TO: JEWS

AS: KING

2 MARK

TO: ROMANS

AS: SERVANT

3 LUKE

TO: GREEKS

AS: GOD/MAN

4 JOHN

TO: CHURCH

AS: GOD

THE MESSAGE IN A NUTSHELL...

1 MATTHEW

TO: JEWS

AS: KING

WHAT

HE: SAID

2 MARK

TO: ROMANS

AS: SERVANT

WHAT

HE: DID

3 LUKE

TO: GREEKS

AS: GOD/MAN

WHAT

HE: FELT

4 JOHN

TO: CHURCH

AS: GOD

WHAT

HE: MEANT

THAT STRANGE SOUNDING WORD...

SYNOPTIC:

1 MATTHEW
TO: JEWS

2 MARK
TO: ROMANS

AS: KING

AS: SERVANT

WHAT HE SAID

WHAT HE DID

3 LUKE

TO: GREEKS

AS: GOD MAN

WHAT HE FELT

SYNOPTIC:
"TO SEE TOGETHER"

"TO
SEE
TOGETHER"

THE SYNOPTICS: "TO SEE TOGETHER"

1 MATTHEW

TO: JEWS

AS: KING

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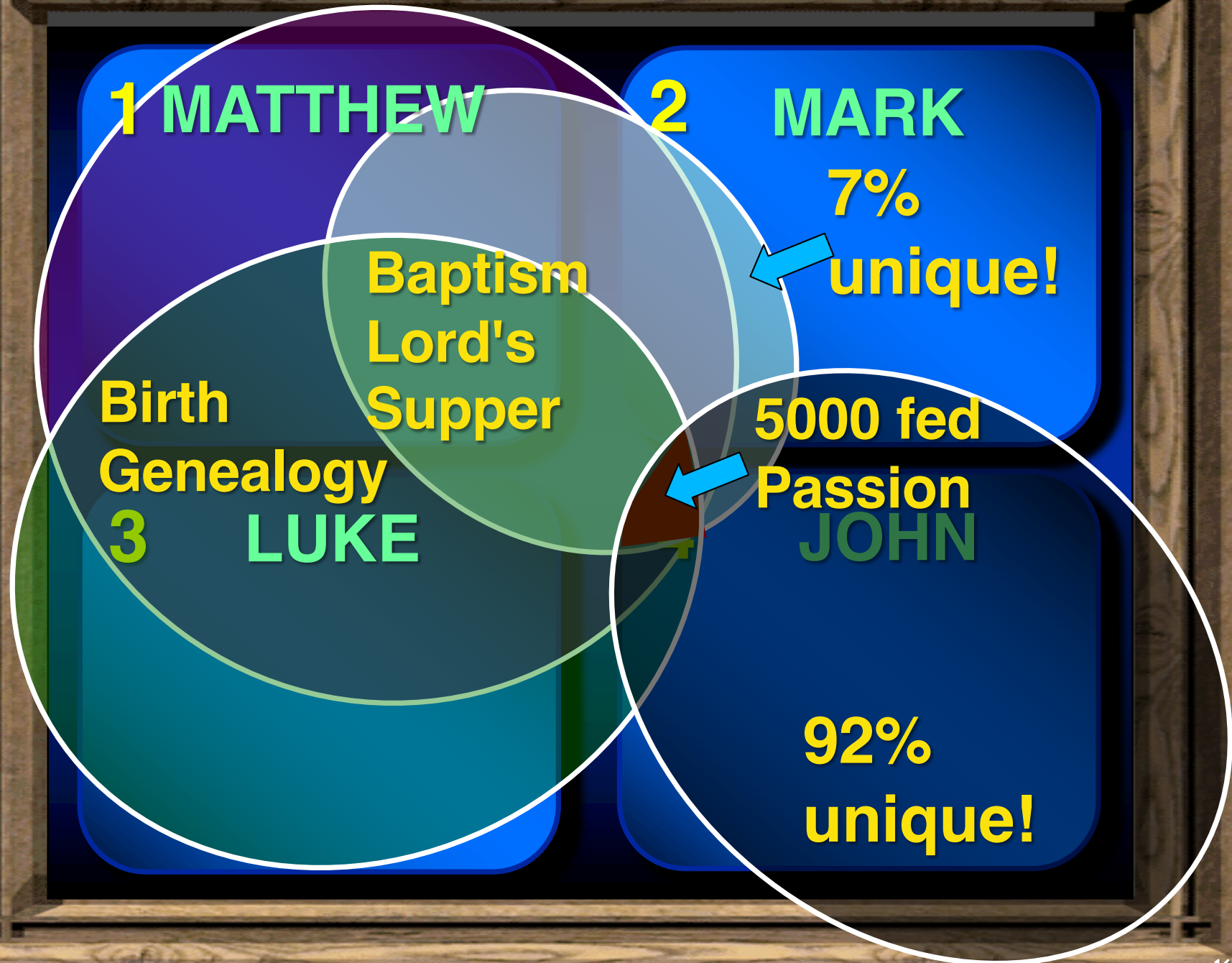
4 JOHN

TO: CHURCH

AS: GOD

WHAT HE: MEANT

OVERLAPS IN THE GOSPELS



JOHN: SUMMING UP THE MESSAGE

1 MATTHEW

TO: JEWS

AS: KING

WHAT HE: SAID

2 MARK

TO: ROMANS

AS: SERVANT

WHAT HE: DID

3 LUKE

TO: GREEKS

AS: GOD/MAN

WHAT HE: FELT

4 JOHN

TO: CHURCH

AS: GOD

WHAT HE: MEANT



The Fours Gospels Compared

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	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Job before Saved	Tax Collector	None (Youth)	Medical Doctor	Fisherman
Race	Jew	Jew	Gentile	Jew
Office and / or Spiritual Gift	Apostle	Service or Pastoring	Service or Teaching	Apostle
Readers:				
• Ethnically	Jews	Roman	Gentile (Greek)	World
• Interest	Signs (1 Cor. 1:22)		Wisdom (1 Cor. 1:22)	
• Spiritually	Unbelievers	Believers	Unbelievers	Unbelievers
• Primary Need	Messiahship and Kingdom Offer	Model in Suffering (exhorts discipleship)	Universality (and kingdom expansion)	Deity

The Four Gospels Compared

	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Date Written	40s	64-68	57-59	late 60s
Place Written	Antioch or Syria	Rome	Caesarea or Rome	Ephesus
Place Sent	Palestine	Rome	To Theophilus	Asia, etc.
Jesus is...	King of Israel (Messiah)	Suffering Servant (Deity)	Ideal Man (Messiah)	Son of God (Deity)
Key Verse	21:5	10:45	19:10	20:31
Themes	Law	Power	Grace	Glory
Literary Emphasis	Sermons	Miracles	Parables	Allegories
Arrangement	Topical	Chronological	Chronological	Topical
Genealogy	Abraham to Joseph	None	Adam to Mary	None

The Four Gospels Compared				52
	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Scope	Birth to Resurrection	Ministry to Resurrection	Ministry to Resurrection	Ministry to Resurrection
Tone	Prophetic	Pastoral	Historical	Spiritual
Christ's Words	60%	42%	50%	50%
Chapters	28	16	24	21
Verses	1068	661	1149	878
Verses per Chap.	38	41	48	42
OT Quotations	53	36	25	20
OT Allusions	76	27	42	105
OT References	129	63	67	125
Unique Material	42%	7%	59%	92%
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CHAPTER 1: 6 GREAT TRUTHS OF

VERSE 1:

Pre-existent One

A Distinct Person

He Was and IS God

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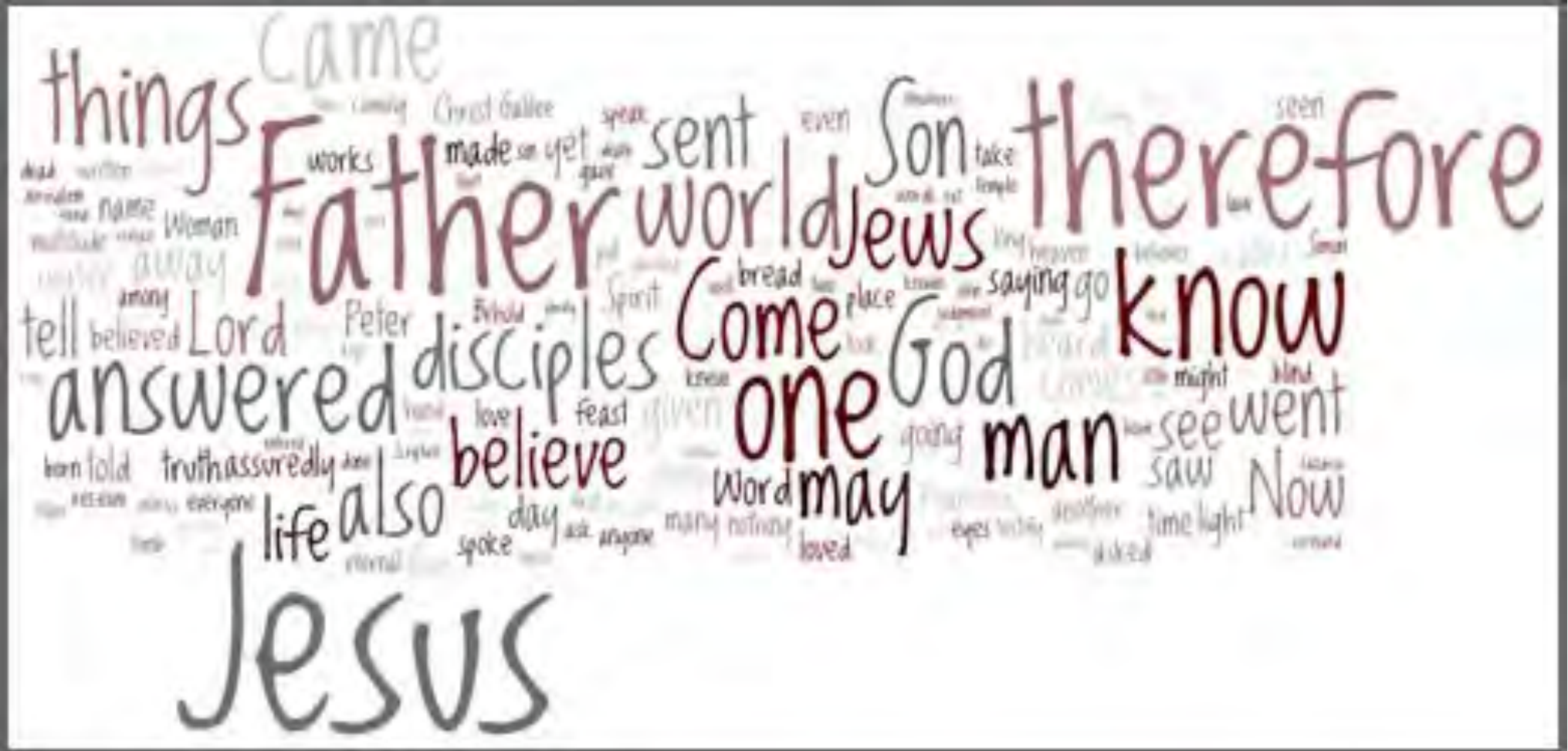
**JESUS
CHRIST!**

"In the beginning
was the Word, and
the Word was with
God, and the
Word was God."

How Does God Speak to Us?

God has spoken in written & oral language

God has spoken in written & oral language



How Does God Speak to Us?



But has
especially
spoken
through a
person—
Jesus Christ!

Jesus is the *logos* (word)

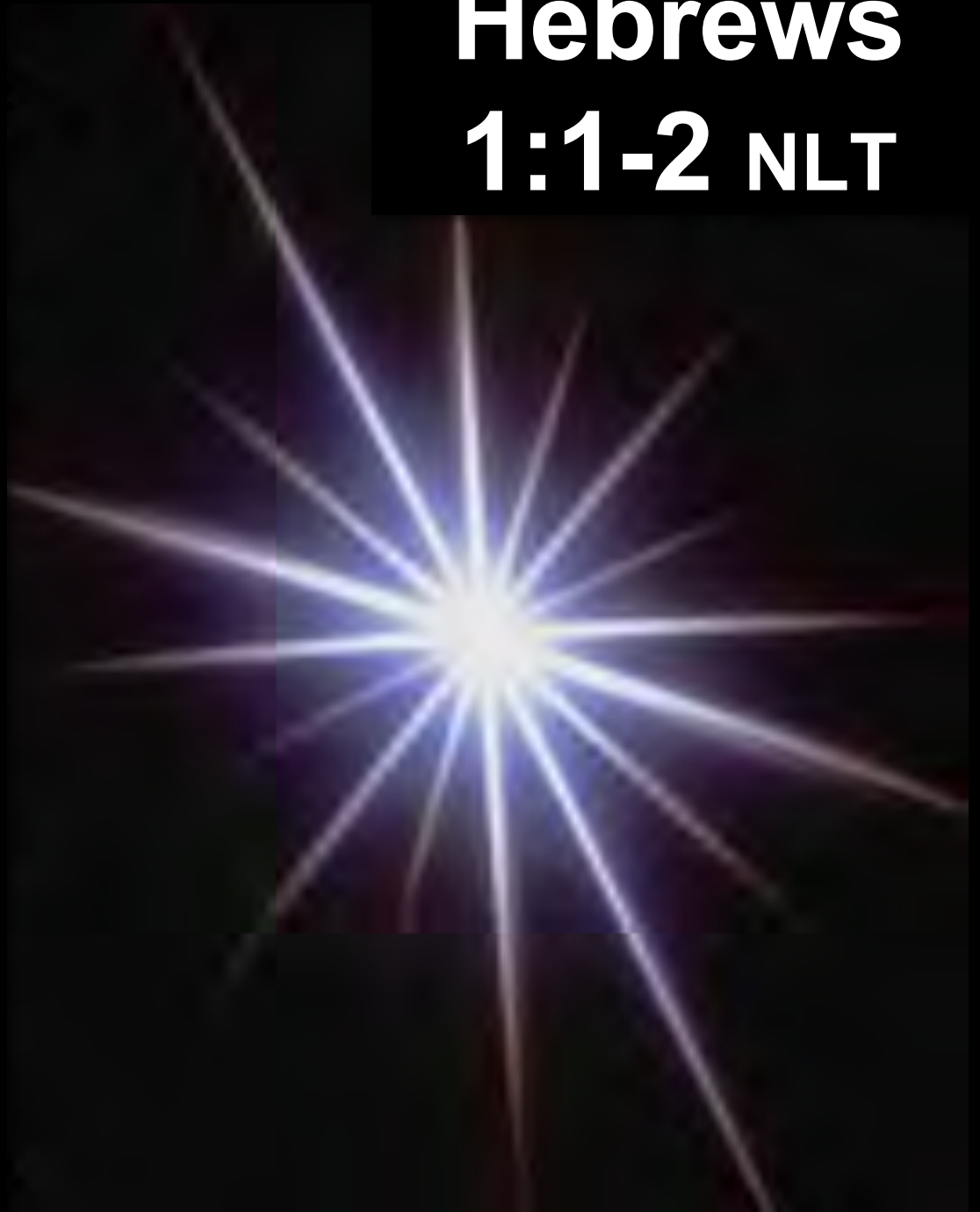
- This means Jesus fully reveals who God is.
- He is the Perfect Revelation.



Hebrews

1:1-2 NLT

"Long ago God spoke many times and in many ways to our ancestors through the prophets. ²And now in these final days, he has spoken to us through his Son. God promised everything to the Son as an inheritance, and through the Son he created the universe."

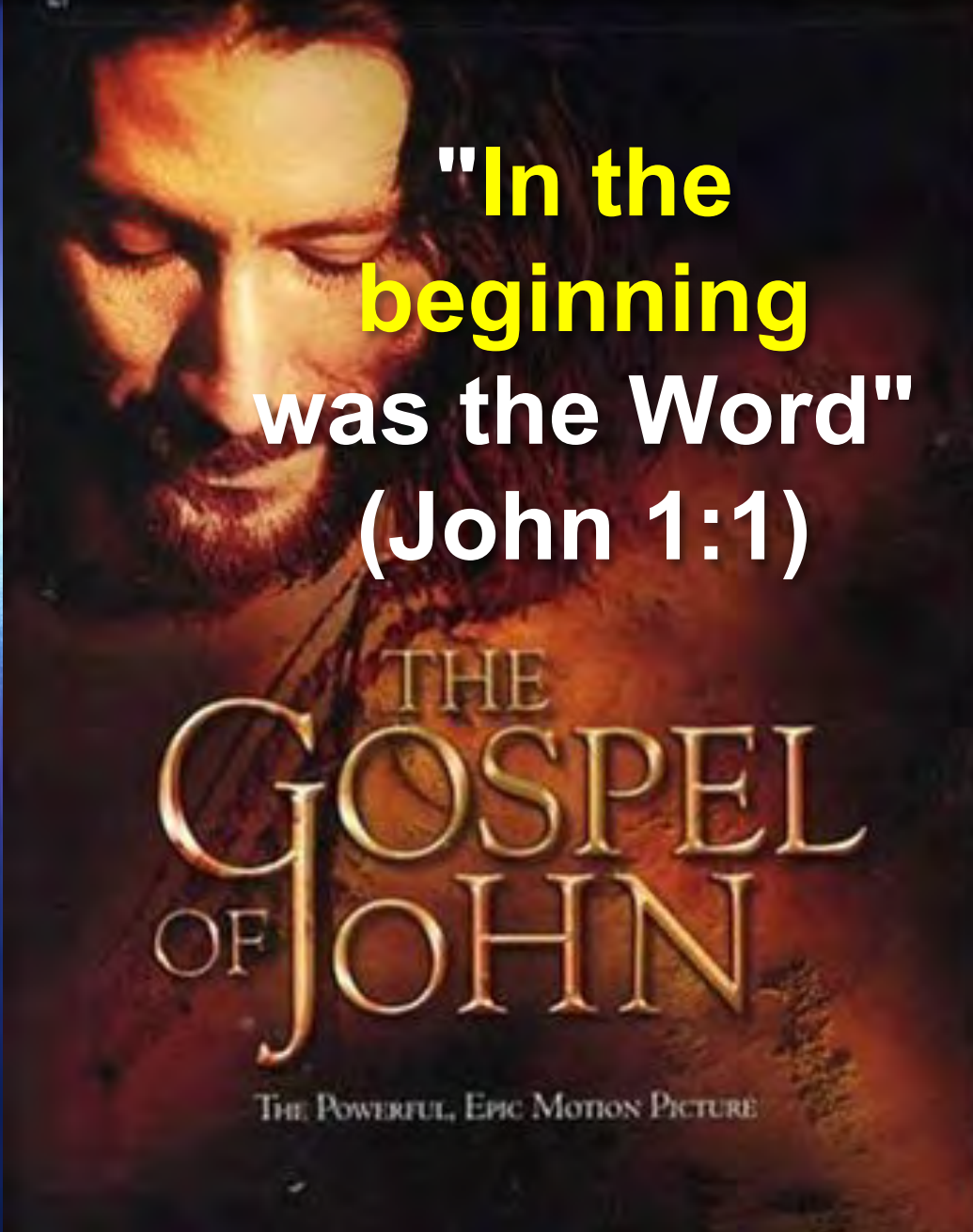


Exact Beginnings

**"In the
beginning
God created
the heavens
and the
earth"
(Genesis 1:1)**



**"In the
beginning
was the Word"
(John 1:1)**



THE
GOSPEL
OF JOHN

THE POWERFUL, EPIC MOTION PICTURE

JOHN: SUMMING UP THE MESSAGE

CHAPTER 1: 6 GREAT TRUTHS OF

VERSE 1:
The Pre-existent One
A Distinct Person
He Was and IS God

VERSE 2:
Eternally Co-existent

JESUS CHRIST!

"He was
with God in
the
beginning."

JOHN: SUMMING UP THE MESSAGE

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VERSE 1:
The Pre-existent One
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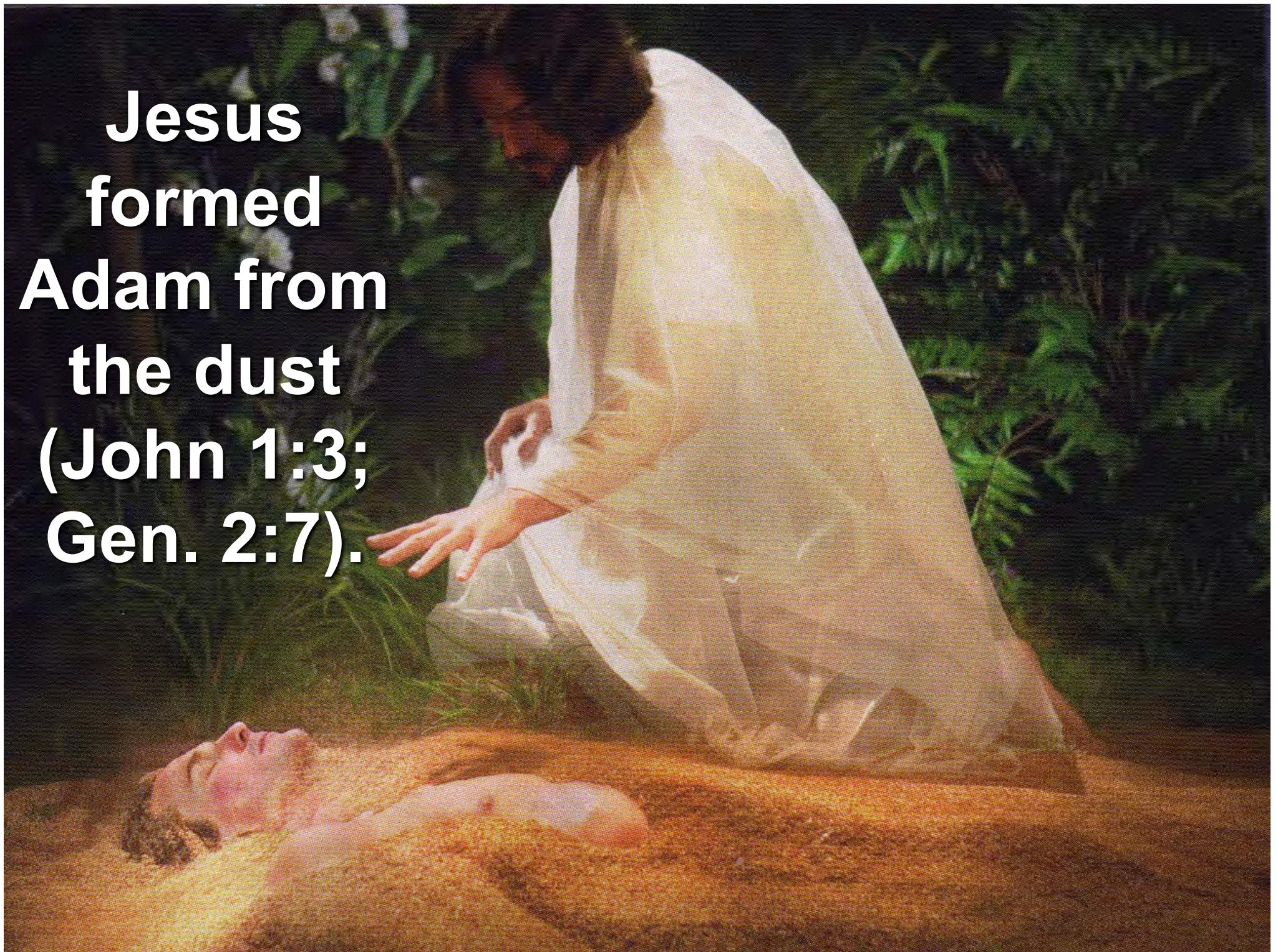
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Eternally Co-existent

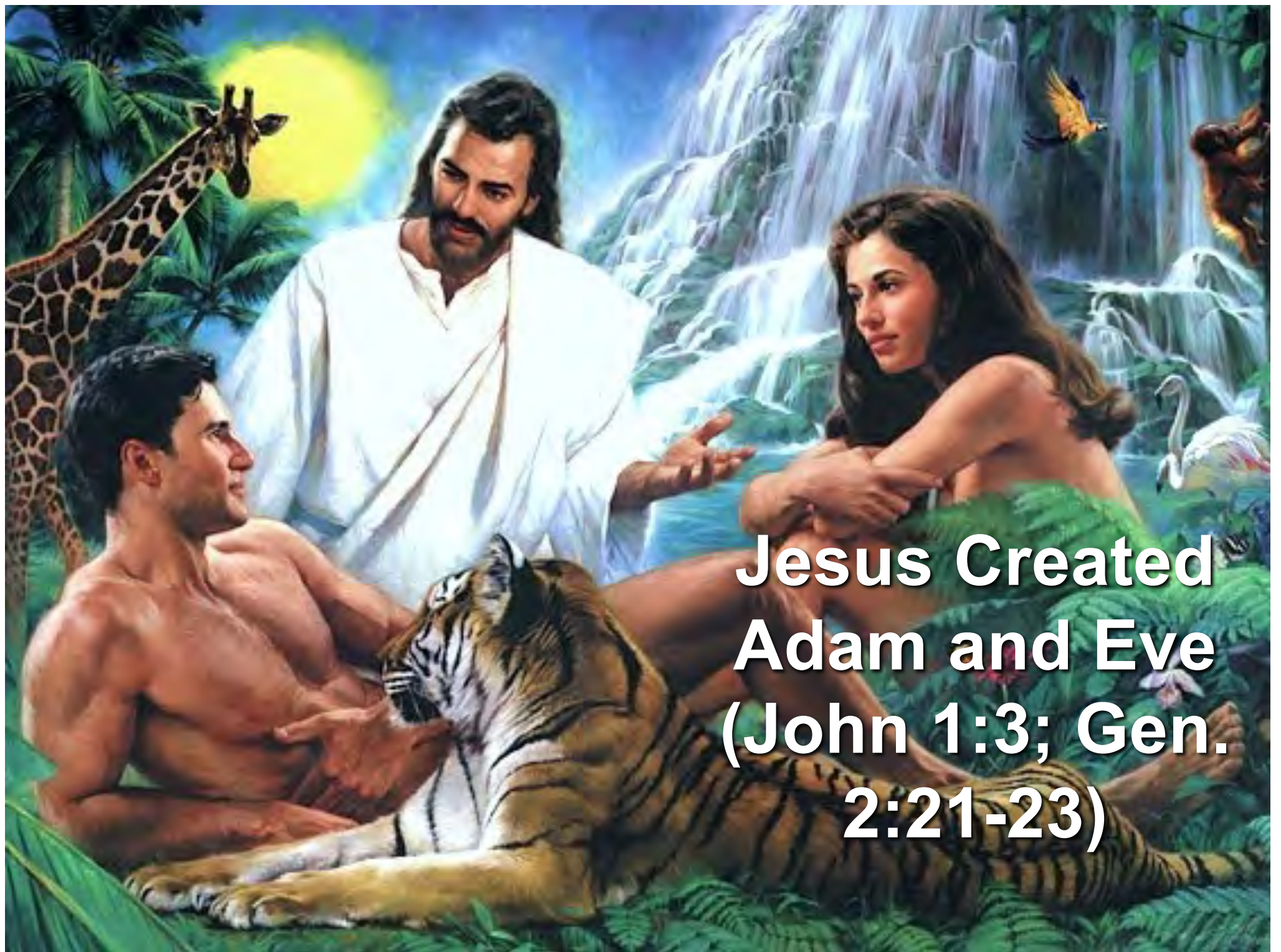
VERSE 3:
Creator of the Universe

JESUS CHRIST!

"Through him all
things were
made; without
him nothing was
made that has
been made."

**Jesus
formed
Adam from
the dust
(John 1:3;
Gen. 2:7).**





**Jesus Created
Adam and Eve
(John 1:3; Gen.
2:21-23)**

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JESUS CHRIST!

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VERSE 2:
Eternally Co-existent

VERSE 3:
Creator of the Universe

VERSES 4, 5, 9:
Source of all Light and Life

"In him was life, and that life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it....The true light that gives light to every man was coming into the world."

...AND THE DATES OF WRITING?

1 MATTHEW

TO: JEWS
AS: KING
WHAT HE SAID
The
A.D. 40s

2 MARK

TO: ROMANS
AS: SERVANT
WHAT HE DID
A.D.
64-68

3 LUKE

TO: GREEKS
AS: GOD/MAN
WHAT HE FELT
A.D. 57-
59

4 JOHN

TO: CHURCH
AS: A.D. 69
AFTER THE
SYNOPTICS
HE MEANT

NOW...TO COMPLETE THE PORTRAIT...

Revelation 1:12-18 (NIV)

THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST TO JOHN THE APOSTLE

¹²I turned around to see the voice that was speaking to me. And when I turned I saw seven golden lamp stands, ¹³and among the lamp stands was someone "like a son of man," dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴His head and hair were white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were like blazing fire. ¹⁵His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters. ¹⁶In his right hand he held seven stars, and out of his mouth came a sharp double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance. ¹⁷When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. Then he placed his right hand on me and said, "Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. ¹⁸I am the Living One; I was dead, and behold I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades."

JOHN

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| 1 J esus is the Word | 8 G race for adulteress defended | 14 O ffer of Holy Spirit |
| 2 O utstanding miracle at Cana | 9 O pposition to removing blindness | 15 F ruit of the Vine |
| 3 H eavenly birth taught Nicodemus | 10 S hepherd and His sheep | |
| 4 N eed of Samaritan woman | 11 P ower to raise Lazarus | |
| | 12 E ntry into Jerusalem triumphant | |
| | 13 L ast supper and discourse | |
| 5 T estimony to Jesus' deity | | 16 B eliever's comfort and joy |
| 6 H oly Bread of life | | 17 E xtended prayer of Christ |
| 7 E xclamation at the feast | | 18 L ord's betrayal and denial |
| | | 19 I llegal trials and crucifixion |
| | | 20 E yewitnesses to the resurrection |
| | | 21 F inal charge to Peter |

Written by "the disciple whom Jesus loved"



Key Word
Believe

Key Verse

"Jesus did many other miraculous signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written ***that you may believe*** that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name" (20:30-31).

Textual Variants of John 20:31

Evangelistic

"...these are written that you
may believe that
Jesus is the Christ, the Son
of God, and that by
believing you may have life
in his name"

Edification

"...these are written that you
may go on believing that
Jesus is the Christ, the Son
of God, and that by
believing you may have life
in his name"

Aorist Subjunctive

ἵνα πιστεύ^οητε

37 manuscripts

Many but later manuscripts

Present Subjunctive

ἵνα πιστεύητε

p⁶⁶ & ℵ*

Few but early manuscripts

Key Word

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Believe

John

"Believe" in John

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John 1:7 οὗτος ἦλθεν εἰς μαρτυρίαν ἵνα μαρτυρήσῃ περὶ τοῦ φωτός, ἵνα πάντες **πιστεύωσιν** δι' αὐτοῦ.

John 1:12 ὅσοι δὲ ἔλαβον αὐτόν, ἔδωκεν αὐτοῖς ἐξουσίαν τέκνα θεοῦ γενέσθαι, τοῖς **πιστεύουσιν** εἰς τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ.

John 1:50 ἀπεκρίθη Ἰησοῦς καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ· ὅτι εἰπὼν σοι ὅτι εἶδόν σε ὑποκάτω τῆς συκῆς, **πιστεύεις**; μείζω τούτων ὄψῃ.

John 2:11 Ταύτην ἐποίησεν ἀρχὴν τῶν σημείων ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἐν Κανὰ τῆς Γαλιλαίας καὶ ἐφάνέρωσεν τὴν δόξαν αὐτοῦ, καὶ **ἐπίστευσαν** εἰς αὐτόν οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ.

John 2:22 ὅτε οὖν ἠγέρθη ἐκ νεκρῶν, ἐμνήσθησαν οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ ὅτι τοῦτο ἔλεγεν, καὶ **ἐπίστευσαν** τῇ γραφῇ καὶ τῷ λόγῳ ὃν εἶπεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς.

John 2:23 Ὡς δὲ ἦν ἐν τοῖς Ἱεροσολύμοις ἐν τῷ πάσχα ἐν τῇ ἑορτῇ, πολλοὶ **ἐπίστευσαν** εἰς τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ θεωροῦντες αὐτοῦ τὰ σημεῖα ἃ ἐποίει· ²⁴ αὐτὸς δὲ Ἰησοῦς οὐκ **ἐπίστευεν** αὐτὸν αὐτοῖς διὰ τὸ αὐτὸν γινώσκειν πάντας.

John 3:12 εἰ τὰ ἐπίγεια εἶπον ὑμῖν καὶ οὐ **πιστεύετε**, πῶς ἐὰν εἴπω ὑμῖν τὰ ἐπουράνια **πιστεύσετε**;

John 3:15 ἵνα πᾶς ὁ **πιστεύων** ἐν αὐτῷ ἔχῃ ζωὴν αἰώνιον. ¹⁶ οὕτως γὰρ ἠγάπησεν ὁ θεὸς τὸν κόσμον, ὥστε τὸν υἱὸν τὸν μονογενῆ ἔδωκεν, ἵνα πᾶς ὁ **πιστεύων** εἰς αὐτὸν μὴ ἀπόληται ἀλλ' ἔχῃ ζωὴν αἰώνιον.

John 3:18 ὁ **πιστεύων** εἰς αὐτὸν οὐ κρίνεται· ὁ δὲ μὴ **πιστεύων** ἤδη κέκριται, ὅτι μὴ **πεπίστευκεν** εἰς τὸ ὄνομα τοῦ μονογενοῦς υἱοῦ τοῦ θεοῦ.

John 3:36 ὁ **πιστεύων** εἰς τὸν υἱὸν ἔχει ζωὴν αἰώνιον· ὁ δὲ **ἀπειθῶν** τῷ υἱῷ οὐκ ὄψεται ζωὴν, ἀλλ' ἡ ὀργὴ τοῦ θεοῦ μένει ἐπ' αὐτόν.

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John 1:7 He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all men might believe.

John 1:12 Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God—

John 1:50 Jesus said, "You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You shall see greater things than that."

John 2:11 This, the first of his miraculous signs, Jesus performed at Cana in Galilee. He thus revealed his glory, and his disciples put their faith in him.

John 2:22 After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the Scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken.

John 2:23 Now while he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many people saw the miraculous signs he was doing and believed in his name. ²⁴ But Jesus would not entrust himself to them, for he knew all men.

John 3:12 I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things?

John 3:15 that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.

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John 3:36 ὁ **πιστεύων** εἰς τὸν υἱὸν ἔχει ζωὴν αἰώνιον· ὁ δὲ **ἀπειθῶν** τῷ υἱῷ οὐκ ὄψεται ζωὴν, ἀλλ' ἡ ὀργὴ τοῦ θεοῦ μένει ἐπ' αὐτόν.

John 4:21 λέγει αὐτῇ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· **πίστευέ** μοι, γύναι, ὅτι ἔρχεται ὥρα ὅτε οὔτε ἐν τῷ ὄρει τούτῳ οὔτε ἐν Ἱεροσολύμοις προσκυνήσετε τῷ πατρί.

John 4:39 Ἐκ δὲ τῆς πόλεως ἐκείνης πολλοὶ **ἐπίστευσαν** εἰς αὐτὸν τῶν Σαμαριτῶν διὰ τὸν λόγον τῆς γυναικὸς μαρτυρούσης ὅτι εἶπέν μοι πάντα ἃ ἐποίησα.

John 4:41 καὶ πολλὰ πλείους **ἐπίστευσαν** διὰ τὸν λόγον αὐτοῦ, 42 τῇ τε γυναικὶ ἔλεγον ὅτι οὐκέτι διὰ τὴν σὴν λαλιὰν **πιστεύομεν**, αὐτοὶ γὰρ ἀκηκόαμεν καὶ οἶδαμεν ὅτι οὗτός ἐστιν ἀληθῶς ὁ σωτὴρ τοῦ κόσμου.

John 4:48 εἶπεν οὖν ὁ Ἰησοῦς πρὸς αὐτόν· ἐὰν μὴ σημεῖα καὶ τέρατα ἴδῃτε, οὐ μὴ **πιστεύσητε**.

John 4:50 λέγει αὐτῷ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· πορεύου, ὁ υἱός σου ζῇ. **ἐπίστευσεν** ὁ ἄνθρωπος τῷ λόγῳ ὃν εἶπεν αὐτῷ ὁ Ἰησοῦς καὶ ἐπορεύετο.

John 4:53 ἔγνω οὖν ὁ πατήρ ὅτι [ἐν] ἐκείνῃ τῇ ὥρᾳ ἐν ᾗ εἶπεν αὐτῷ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· ὁ υἱός σου ζῇ, καὶ **ἐπίστευσεν** αὐτὸς καὶ ἡ οἰκία αὐτοῦ ὅλη.

John 5:24 Ἀμὴν ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν ὅτι ὁ τὸν λόγον μου ἀκούων καὶ **πιστεύων** τῷ πέμψαντί με ἔχει ζωὴν αἰώνιον καὶ εἰς κρίσιν οὐκ ἔρχεται, ἀλλὰ μεταβέβηκεν ἐκ τοῦ θανάτου εἰς τὴν ζωὴν.

John 5:38 καὶ τὸν λόγον αὐτοῦ οὐκ ἔχετε ἐν ὑμῖν μένοντα, ὅτι ὃν ἀπέστειλεν ἐκεῖνος, τούτῳ ὑμεῖς οὐ

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John 3:36 Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God's wrath remains on him."

John 4:21 Jesus declared, "Believe me, woman, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem."

John 4:39 Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I ever did."

John 4:41 And because of his words many more became believers.

John 4:42 They said to the woman, "We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Savior of the world."

John 4:48 "Unless you people see miraculous signs and wonders," Jesus told him, "you will never believe."

John 4:50 Jesus replied, "You may go. Your son will live."

The man took Jesus at his word and departed.

John 4:53 Then the father realized that this was the exact time at which Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live." So he and all his household believed.

John 5:24 "I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life.

John 5:38 nor does his word dwell in you, for you do not believe the one he sent.

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John 5:44 πῶς δύνασθε ὑμεῖς **πιστεῦσαι** δόξαν παρὰ ἀλλήλων λαμβάνοντες, καὶ τὴν δόξαν τὴν παρὰ τοῦ μόνου θεοῦ οὐ ζητεῖτε;

John 5:46 εἰ γὰρ **ἐπιστεύετε** Μωϋσεῖ, **ἐπιστεύετε** ἂν ἐμοί· περὶ γὰρ ἐμοῦ ἐκεῖνος ἔγραψεν. 47 εἰ δὲ τοῖς ἐκεῖνου γράμμασιν οὐ **πιστεύετε**, πῶς τοῖς ἐμοῖς ῥήμασιν **πιστεύετε**;

John 6:29 ἀπεκρίθη [ὁ] Ἰησοῦς καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· τοῦτό ἐστιν τὸ ἔργον τοῦ θεοῦ, ἵνα **πιστεύητε** εἰς ὃν ἀπέστειλεν ἐκεῖνος.

John 6:30 Εἶπον οὖν αὐτῷ· τί οὖν ποιεῖς σὺ σημεῖον, ἵνα ἴδωμεν καὶ **πιστεύσωμέν** σοι; τί ἐργάζῃ;

John 6:35 εἶπεν αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς· ἐγώ εἰμι ὁ ἄρτος τῆς ζωῆς· ὁ ἐρχόμενος πρὸς ἐμὲ οὐ μὴ πεινάσῃ, καὶ ὁ **πιστεύων** εἰς ἐμὲ οὐ μὴ διψήσῃ πώποτε.

John 6:36 Ἀλλ' εἶπον ὑμῖν ὅτι καὶ ἐωράκατέ [με] καὶ οὐ **πιστεύετε**.

John 6:40 τοῦτο γὰρ ἐστὶν τὸ θέλημα τοῦ πατρὸς μου, ἵνα πᾶς ὁ θεωρῶν τὸν υἱὸν καὶ **πιστεύων** εἰς αὐτὸν ἔχῃ ζωὴν αἰώνιον, καὶ ἀναστήσω αὐτὸν ἐγὼ [ἐν] τῇ ἐσχάτῃ ἡμέρᾳ.

John 6:47 ἀμὴν ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν, ὁ **πιστεύων** ἔχει ζωὴν αἰώνιον.

John 6:64 ἀλλ' εἰσὶν ἐξ ὑμῶν τινες οἱ οὐ **πιστεύουσιν**. ἦδει γὰρ ἐξ ἀρχῆς ὁ Ἰησοῦς τίνες εἰσὶν οἱ μὴ **πιστεύοντες** καὶ τίς ἐστὶν ὁ παραδώσων αὐτόν.

John 6:69 καὶ ἡμεῖς **πεπιστεύκαμεν** καὶ ἐγνώκαμεν ὅτι σὺ εἶ ὁ ἅγιος τοῦ θεοῦ.

John 7:5 οὐδὲ γὰρ οἱ ἀδελφοὶ αὐτοῦ **ἐπίστευον** εἰς αὐτόν.

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John 5:44 How can you believe if you accept praise from one another, yet make no effort to obtain the praise that comes from the only God?

John 5:46 If you believed Moses, you would believe me, for he wrote about me. 47 But since you do not believe what he wrote, how are you going to believe what I say?"

John 6:29 Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent."

John 6:30 So they asked him, "What miraculous sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do?"

John 6:35 Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty. 36 But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe.

John 6:40 For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day."

John 6:47 I tell you the truth, he who believes has everlasting life.

John 6:64 Yet there are some of you who do not believe." For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him.

John 6:69 We believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

John 7:5 For even his own brothers did not believe in him.

John 7:31 Still, many in the crowd put their faith in him. They said, "When the Christ comes, will he do more miraculous signs than this man?"

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John 7:31 Ἐκ τοῦ ὄχλου δὲ πολλοὶ **ἐπίστευσαν** εἰς αὐτὸν καὶ ἔλεγον· ὁ χριστὸς ὅταν ἔλθῃ μὴ πλείονα σημεῖα ποιήσει ὢν οὗτος ἐποίησεν;

John 7:38 ὁ **πιστεύων** εἰς ἐμέ, καθὼς εἶπεν ἡ γραφή, ποταμοὶ ἐκ τῆς κοιλίας αὐτοῦ ῥεύσουσιν ὕδατος ζῶντος. ³⁹ τοῦτο δὲ εἶπεν περὶ τοῦ πνεύματος ὃ ἔμελλον λαμβάνειν οἱ **πιστεύσαντες** εἰς αὐτόν· οὐπω γὰρ ἦν πνεῦμα, ὅτι Ἰησοῦς οὐδέπω ἐδοξάσθη.

John 7:48 μὴ τις ἐκ τῶν ἀρχόντων **ἐπίστευσεν** εἰς αὐτόν ἢ ἐκ τῶν Φαρισαίων;

John 8:24 εἶπον οὖν ὑμῖν ὅτι ἀποθανεῖσθε ἐν ταῖς ἁμαρτίαις ὑμῶν· ἐὰν γὰρ μὴ **πιστεύσητε** ὅτι ἐγὼ εἰμι, ἀποθανεῖσθε ἐν ταῖς ἁμαρτίαις ὑμῶν.

John 8:30 Ταῦτα αὐτοῦ λαλοῦντος πολλοὶ **ἐπίστευσαν** εἰς αὐτόν. ³¹ ἔλεγεν οὖν ὁ Ἰησοῦς πρὸς τοὺς **πεπιστευκότας** αὐτῷ Ἰουδαίους· ἐὰν ὑμεῖς μείνητε ἐν τῷ λόγῳ τῷ ἐμῷ, ἀληθῶς μαθηταὶ μου ἔστε

John 8:45 ἐγὼ δὲ ὅτι τὴν ἀλήθειαν λέγω, οὐ **πιστεύετε** μοι. ⁴⁶ τίς ἐξ ὑμῶν ἐλέγχει με περὶ ἁμαρτίας; εἰ ἀλήθειαν λέγω, διὰ τί ὑμεῖς οὐ **πιστεύετε** μοι;

John 9:18 Οὐκ **ἐπίστευσαν** οὖν οἱ Ἰουδαῖοι περὶ αὐτοῦ ὅτι ἦν τυφλὸς καὶ ἀνέβλεπεν ἕως ὅτου ἐφώνησαν τοὺς γονεῖς αὐτοῦ τοῦ ἀναβλέψαντος

John 9:35 Ἦκουσεν Ἰησοῦς ὅτι ἐξέβαλον αὐτόν ἔξω καὶ εὐρὼν αὐτόν εἶπεν· σὺ **πιστεύεις** εἰς τὸν υἱὸν τοῦ ἀνθρώπου; ³⁶ ἀπεκρίθη ἐκεῖνος καὶ εἶπεν· καὶ τίς ἐστιν, κύριε, ἵνα **πιστεύσω** εἰς αὐτόν;

John 9:38 ὁ δὲ ἔφη· **πιστεύω**, κύριε· καὶ προσεκύνησεν αὐτῷ.

John 10:25 ἀπεκρίθη αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς· εἶπον ὑμῖν καὶ

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John 7:31 Still, many in the crowd put their faith in him. They said, "When the Christ comes, will he do more miraculous signs than this man?"

John 7:38 **Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him.** ³⁹ By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

John 7:48 "Has any of the rulers or of the Pharisees believed in him?"

John 8:24 **I told you that you would die in your sins; if you do not believe that I am [the one I claim to be], you will indeed die in your sins."**

John 8:30 Even as he spoke, many put their faith in him.

John 8:31 To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, **"If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples.**

John 8:45 **Yet because I tell the truth, you do not believe me!** ⁴⁶ **Can any of you prove me guilty of sin? If I am telling the truth, why don't you believe me?**

John 9:18 The Jews still did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they sent for the man's parents.

John 9:35 Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, and when he found him, he said, **"Do you believe in the Son of Man?"**

John 9:36 "Who is he, sir?" the man asked. "Tell me so that I may believe in him."

John 9:38 Then the man said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped him.

John 10:25 Jesus answered, **"I did tell you, but you do not believe. The miracles I do in my Father's name speak for me, ²⁶ but you do not**

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John 10:25 ἀπεκρίθη αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς· εἶπον ὑμῖν καὶ οὐ **πιστεύετε**· τὰ ἔργα ἃ ἐγὼ ποιῶ ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι τοῦ πατρὸς μου ταῦτα μαρτυρεῖ περὶ ἐμοῦ· ²⁶ ἀλλὰ ὑμεῖς οὐ **πιστεύετε**, ὅτι οὐκ ἐστὲ ἐκ τῶν προβάτων τῶν ἐμῶν.

John 10:37 εἰ οὐ ποιῶ τὰ ἔργα τοῦ πατρὸς μου, μὴ **πιστεύετε** μοι· ³⁸ εἰ δὲ ποιῶ, κἂν ἐμοὶ μὴ **πιστεύητε**, τοῖς ἔργοις **πιστεύετε**, ἵνα γνῶτε καὶ γινώσκητε ὅτι ἐν ἐμοὶ ὁ πατὴρ καὶ ἐγὼ ἐν τῷ πατρί.

John 10:42 καὶ πολλοὶ **ἐπίστευσαν** εἰς αὐτὸν ἐκεῖ.

John 11:15 καὶ χαίρω δι' ὑμᾶς ἵνα **πιστεύσητε**, ὅτι οὐκ ἤμην ἐκεῖ· ἀλλὰ ἄγωμεν πρὸς αὐτόν.

John 11:25 εἶπεν αὐτῇ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· ἐγὼ εἰμι ἡ ἀνάστασις καὶ ἡ ζωὴ· ὁ **πιστεύων** εἰς ἐμὲ κἂν ἀποθάνῃ ζήσεται, ²⁶ καὶ πᾶς ὁ ζῶν καὶ **πιστεύων** εἰς ἐμὲ οὐ μὴ ἀποθάνῃ εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα. **πιστεύεις** τοῦτο; ²⁷ λέγει αὐτῷ· ναὶ κύριε, ἐγὼ **πεπίστευκα** ὅτι σὺ εἶ ὁ χριστὸς ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ θεοῦ ὁ εἰς τὸν κόσμον ἐρχόμενος.

John 11:40 λέγει αὐτῇ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· οὐκ εἶπόν σοι ὅτι ἐὰν **πιστεύσῃς** ὅψῃ τὴν δόξαν τοῦ θεοῦ;

John 11:42 ἐγὼ δὲ ᾔδειν ὅτι πάντοτε μου ἀκούεις, ἀλλὰ διὰ τὸν ὄχλον τὸν περιεστώτα εἶπον, ἵνα **πιστεύσωσιν** ὅτι σὺ με ἀπέστειλας.

John 11:45 Πολλοὶ οὖν ἐκ τῶν Ἰουδαίων οἱ ἐλθόντες πρὸς τὴν Μαριάμ καὶ θαυμάζοντες αὐτὴν εἶπον· ὅτι ἐὰν **ἐπίστευσαν** εἰς αὐτόν·

John 11:48 ἐὰν ἀφῶμεν αὐτὸν οὕτως, πάντες **πιστεύσουσιν** εἰς αὐτόν, καὶ ἐλεύσονται οἱ Ῥωμαῖοι καὶ ἀροῦσιν ἡμῶν καὶ τὸν τόπον καὶ τὸ ἔθνος.

John 12:3 Ἡ οὖν Μαριάμ λαβοῦσα λίτραν μύρου

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John 10:25 Jesus answered, "I did tell you, but you do not believe. The miracles I do in my Father's name speak for me, ²⁶ but you do not believe because you are not my sheep.

John 10:37 Do not believe me unless I do what my Father does. ³⁸ But if I do it, even though you do not believe me, believe the miracles, that you may know and understand that the Father is in me, and I in the Father."

John 10:42 And in that place many believed in Jesus.

John 11:15 and for your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him."

John 11:25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; ²⁶ and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

John 11:27 "Yes, Lord," she told him, "I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who was to come into the world."

John 11:40 Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?"

John 11:42 I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me."

John 11:45 Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, put their faith in him.

John 11:48 If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and then the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation."

"Believe" in John

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John 12:3 Ἡ οὖν Μαριὰμ λαβοῦσα λίτραν μύρου
νάρδου **πιστικῆς** πολυτίμου ἤλειψεν τοὺς πόδας
τοῦ Ἰησοῦ καὶ ἐξέμαξεν ταῖς θριξίν αὐτῆς τοὺς
πόδας αὐτοῦ· ἡ δὲ οἰκία ἐπληρώθη ἐκ τῆς ὁσμῆς
τοῦ μύρου.

John 12:11 ὅτι πολλοὶ δι' αὐτὸν ὑπῆγον τῶν
Ἰουδαίων καὶ **ἐπίστευον** εἰς τὸν Ἰησοῦν.

John 12:36 ὥς τὸ φῶς ἔχετε, **πιστεύετε** εἰς τὸ φῶς,
ἵνα υἱοὶ φωτὸς γένησθε. ταῦτα ἐλάλησεν Ἰησοῦς,
καὶ ἀπελθὼν ἐκρύβη ἀπ' αὐτῶν.

John 12:37 Τοσαῦτα δὲ αὐτοῦ σημεῖα
πεποιηκότος ἔμπροσθεν αὐτῶν οὐκ **ἐπίστευον** εἰς
αὐτόν, ³⁸ ἵνα ὁ λόγος Ἡσαΐου τοῦ προφήτου
πληρωθῇ ὃν εἶπεν

κύριε, τίς **ἐπίστευσεν** τῇ ἀκοῇ ἡμῶν;
καὶ ὁ βραχίον κυρίου τίνι ἀπεκαλύφθη;

39 διὰ τοῦτο οὐκ ἠδύναντο **πιστεῦειν**, ὅτι πάλιν
εἶπεν Ἡσαΐας·

John 12:42 ὁμῶς μέντοι καὶ ἐκ τῶν ἀρχόντων
πολλοὶ **ἐπίστευσαν** εἰς αὐτόν, ἀλλὰ διὰ τοὺς
Φαρισαίους οὐχ ὁμολογοῦν ἵνα μὴ
ἀποσυνάγωγοι γένωνται·

John 12:44 Ἰησοῦς δὲ ἔκραξεν καὶ εἶπεν· ὁ
πιστεύων εἰς ἐμὲ οὐ **πιστεύει** εἰς ἐμὲ ἀλλὰ εἰς
τὸν πέμψαντά με,

John 12:46 ἐγὼ φῶς εἰς τὸν κόσμον ἐλήλυθα, ἵνα
πᾶς ὁ **πιστεύων** εἰς ἐμὲ ἐν τῇ σκοτίᾳ μὴ μείνη.

John 13:19 ἀπ' ἄρτι λέγω ὑμῖν πρὸ τοῦ γενέσθαι,
ἵνα **πιστεύσητε** ὅταν γένηται ὅτι ἐγὼ εἰμι.

John 14:1 Μὴ ταρασσέσθω ὑμῶν ἡ καρδιά·

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John 12:3 Then Mary took about a pint of pure nard, an expensive perfume;
she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the
house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.

John 12:11 for on account of him many of the Jews were going over to Jesus
and putting their faith in him.

John 12:36 **Put your trust in the light while you have it, so that you may
become sons of light.**" When he had finished speaking, Jesus left and hid
himself from them.

John 12:37 Even after Jesus had done all these miraculous signs in their
presence, they still would not believe in him. ³⁸ This was to fulfill the
word of Isaiah the prophet:

"Lord, who has believed our message
and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?"

John 12:39 For this reason they could not believe, because, as Isaiah says
elsewhere:

John 12:42 Yet at the same time many even among the leaders believed in
him. But because of the Pharisees they would not confess their faith for
fear they would be put out of the synagogue;

John 12:44 Then Jesus cried out, **"When a man believes in me, he does
not believe in me only, but in the one who sent me.**

John 12:46 **I have come into the world as a light, so that no one who believes
in me should stay in darkness.**

John 13:19 **"I am telling you now before it happens, so that when it does
happen you will believe that I am He.**

"Believe" in John

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John 14:10 οὐ **πιστεύεις** ὅτι ἐγὼ ἐν τῷ πατρὶ καὶ ὁ πατήρ ἐν ἐμοὶ ἐστίν; τὰ ῥήματα ἃ ἐγὼ λέγω ὑμῖν ἀπ' ἐμαντοῦ οὐ λαλῶ, ὁ δὲ πατήρ ἐν ἐμοὶ μένων ποιεῖ τὰ ἔργα αὐτοῦ. ¹¹ **πιστεύετε** μοι ὅτι ἐγὼ ἐν τῷ πατρὶ καὶ ὁ πατήρ ἐν ἐμοί· εἰ δὲ μή, διὰ τὰ ἔργα αὐτὰ **πιστεύετε**.

John 14:12 Ἀμὴν ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν, ὁ **πιστεύων** εἰς ἐμὲ τὰ ἔργα ἃ ἐγὼ ποιῶ κάκεινος ποιήσει καὶ μείζονα τούτων ποιήσει, ὅτι ἐγὼ πρὸς τὸν πατέρα πορεύομαι.

John 14:29 καὶ νῦν εἰρηκα ὑμῖν πρὶν γενέσθαι, ἵνα ὅταν γένηται **πιστεύσητε**.

John 16:9 περὶ ἁμαρτίας μὲν, ὅτι οὐ **πιστεύουσιν** εἰς ἐμέ.

John 16:27 αὐτὸς γὰρ ὁ πατήρ φιλεῖ ὑμᾶς, ὅτι ὑμεῖς ἐμὲ πεφιλήκατε καὶ **πεπιστεύκατε** ὅτι ἐγὼ παρὰ [τοῦ] θεοῦ ἐξῆλθον.

John 16:30 νῦν οἶδαμεν ὅτι οἶδας πάντα καὶ οὐ χρεῖαν ἔχεις ἵνα τίς σε ἐρωτᾷ· ἐν τούτῳ **πιστεύομεν** ὅτι ἀπὸ θεοῦ ἐξῆλθες. ³¹ ἀπεκρίθη αὐτοῖς Ἰησοῦς· ἄρτι **πιστεύετε**;

John 17:8 ὅτι τὰ ῥήματα ἃ ἔδωκάς μοι δέδωκα αὐτοῖς, καὶ αὐτοὶ ἔλαβον καὶ ἔγνωσαν ἀληθῶς ὅτι παρὰ σοῦ ἐξῆλθον, καὶ **ἐπίστευσαν** ὅτι σύ με ἀπέστειλας.

John 17:20 Οὐ περὶ τούτων δὲ ἐρωτῶ μόνον, ἀλλὰ καὶ περὶ τῶν **πιστευόντων** διὰ τοῦ λόγου αὐτῶν εἰς ἐμέ, ²¹ ἵνα πάντες ἐν ᾧσιν, καθὼς σύ, πάτερ, ἐν ἐμοὶ καὶ ἐγὼ ἐν σοί, ἵνα καὶ αὐτοὶ ἐν ἡμῖν ᾧσιν, ἵνα ὁ κόσμος **πιστεύῃ** ὅτι σύ με

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John 14:10 Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you are not just my own. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. ¹¹ Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the miracles themselves. ¹² I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.

John 14:29 I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe.

John 16:9 in regard to sin, because men do not believe in me;

John 16:27 No, the Father himself loves you because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God.

John 16:30 Now we can see that you know all things and that you do not even need to have anyone ask you questions. This makes us believe that you came from God."

John 16:31 "You believe at last!" Jesus answered.

John 17:8 For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me.

John 17:20 "My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, ²¹ that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

John 19:35 The man who saw it has given testimony, and his testimony is

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John 19:35 καὶ ὁ ἑωρακὼς μεμαρτύρηκεν, καὶ ἀληθινὴ αὐτοῦ ἐστὶν ἡ μαρτυρία, καὶ ἐκεῖνος οἶδεν ὅτι ἀληθὴ λέγει, ἵνα καὶ ὑμεῖς **πιστεύ[σ]ητε**.

John 20:8 τότε οὖν εἰσῆλθεν καὶ ὁ ἄλλος μαθητὴς ὁ ἐλθὼν πρῶτος εἰς τὸ μνημεῖον καὶ εἶδεν καὶ **ἐπίστευσεν**.

John 20:25 ἔλεγον οὖν αὐτῷ οἱ ἄλλοι μαθηταί· ἑώρακάμεν τὸν κύριον. ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· ἐὰν μὴ ἴδω ἐν ταῖς χερσὶν αὐτοῦ τὸν τύπον τῶν ἥλων καὶ βάλῃ τὸν δάκτυλόν μου εἰς τὸν τύπον τῶν ἥλων καὶ βάλῃ μου τὴν χεῖρα εἰς τὴν πλευρὰν αὐτοῦ, οὐ μὴ **πιστεύσω**.

John 20:27 εἶτα λέγει τῷ Θωμᾷ· φέρε τὸν δάκτυλόν σου ὧδε καὶ ἴδε τὰς χεῖράς μου καὶ φέρε τὴν χεῖρά σου καὶ βάλε εἰς τὴν πλευρὰν μου, καὶ μὴ γίνου **ἄπιστος** ἀλλὰ **πιστός**.

John 20:29 λέγει αὐτῷ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· ὅτι ἐώρακάς με **πεπίστευκας**; μακάριοι οἱ μὴ ἰδόντες καὶ **πιστεύσαντες**.

John 20:31 ταῦτα δὲ γέγραπται ἵνα **πιστεύ[σ]ητε** ὅτι Ἰησοῦς ἐστὶν ὁ χριστὸς ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ θεοῦ, καὶ ἵνα **πιστεύοντες** ζῶν ἔχητε ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι αὐτοῦ.

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John 19:35 The man who saw it has given testimony, and his testimony is true. He knows that he tells the truth, and he testifies so that you also may believe.

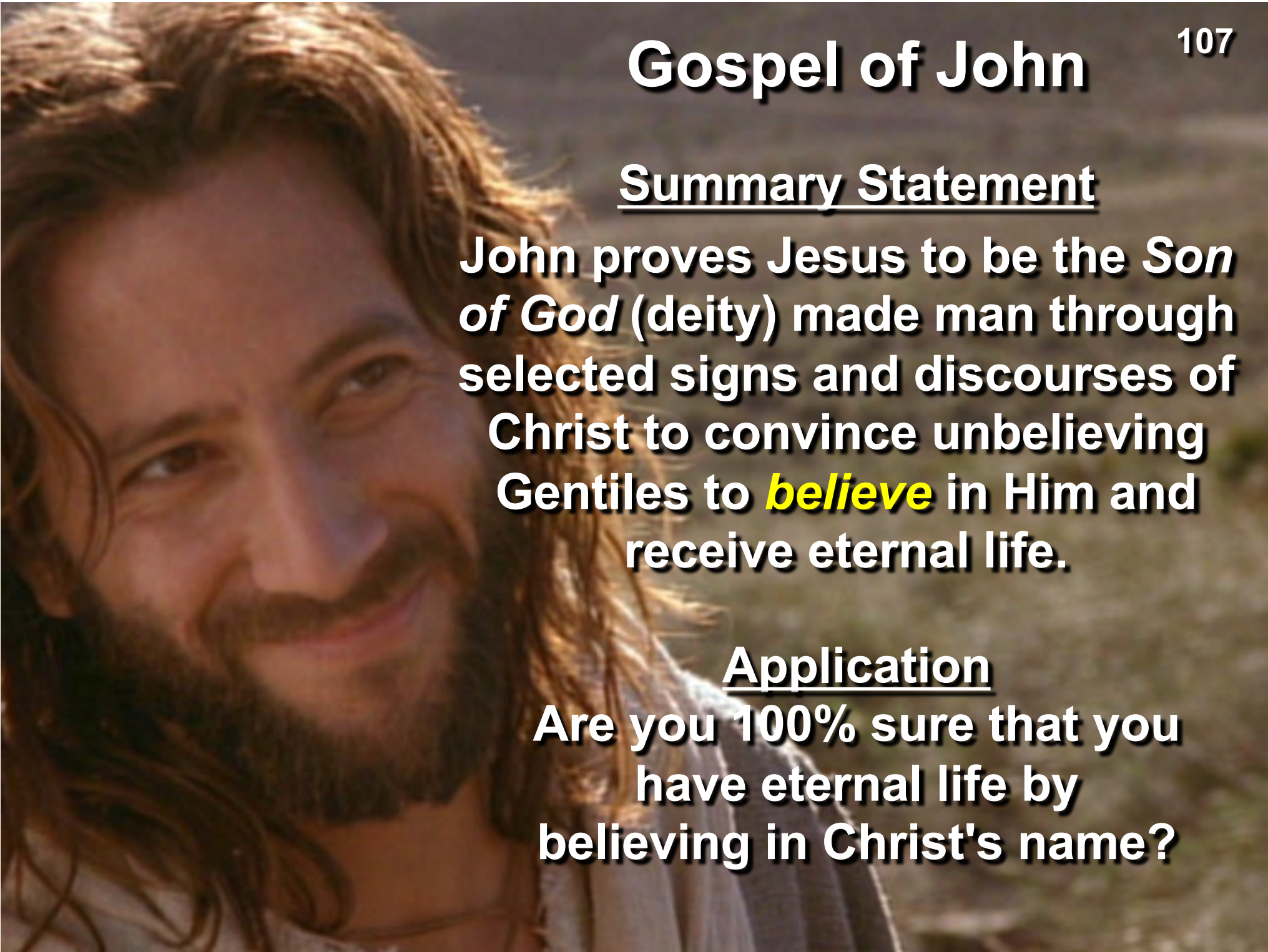
John 20:8 Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed.

John 20:25 So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"
But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it."

John 20:27 Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

John 20:29 Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

John 20:31 But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.



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Summary Statement

John proves Jesus to be the *Son of God* (deity) made man through selected signs and discourses of Christ to convince unbelieving Gentiles to **believe** in Him and receive eternal life.

Application

Are you 100% sure that you have eternal life by believing in Christ's name?

Distinguishing Terms

	Eternal Security	Assurance of Salvation
Basic Meaning	Being saved from the penalty of sin forever (once saved, always saved)	<u>Knowing</u> that we are saved from the penalty of sin forever
Definition	“The work of God which guarantees that the gift of salvation, once received, is forever and cannot be lost” (Ryrie, <i>Basic Theology</i> , 328)	“The realization of the truth of eternal security or perseverance” (Ryrie, <i>Basic Theology</i> , 328)

Distinguishing Terms

	Eternal Security	Assurance of Salvation
Spirit's Ministry	Sealing (Eph 1:13-14)	Assuring (Rom 8:15-17)
Believer's...	Position as child of God (Rom 8:16b)	Practice or confidence (Rom 8:16a)
Recipients	All Christians possess	Some Christians doubt
Permanence	Can't be lost (John 6:39-40; 10:27-29; Rom 8:30, 38-39; Heb 7:25)	Can be lost (for this reason John wrote 1 John 5:11-13)
Songs	"I Know Whom I Have Believed" "In Christ Alone" "The Solid Rock"	"Blessed Assurance" "Now I Belong to Jesus"

External Evidence

The early church tradition unanimously agreed that the author for the fourth Gospel was John, the son of Zebedee, brother of James, and disciple of Christ.

- (1) Irenaeus was the earliest witness to Johannine authorship
- (2) Theophilus of Antioch
- (3) Tertullian
- (4) Clement of Alexandria
- (5) Origen

Despite this evidence, scholars have proposed four other unlikely and even impossible "Johns":

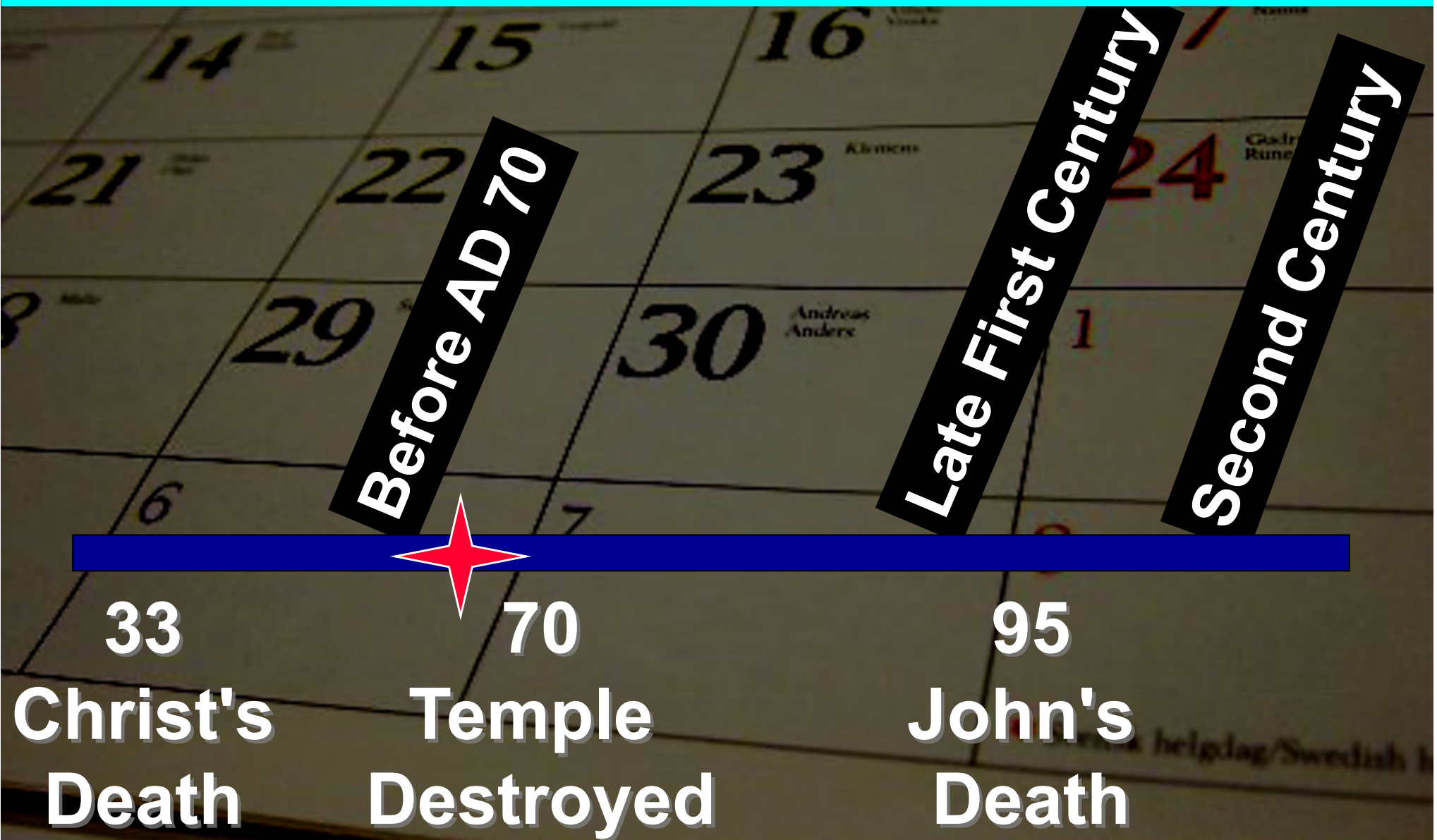
- (1) John the Baptist,
- (2) John the father of Peter,
- (3) John Mark, and
- (4) John of the Sanhedrin.

Internal Evidence

The Gospel does not specifically name its author, but evidence in the book points to John the Apostle:

- The author was obviously a Jew due to his knowledge of the Old Testament
- He was also well acquainted with Israel and the temple since the gospel has many temple descriptions
- The writer witnessed Christ's glory but this was revealed only to Peter, James, & John at the Transfiguration. Since Peter is mentioned by name (1:42) and John's brother James was martyred by Herod in AD 44 (Acts 12:2), by process of elimination the author must be John.

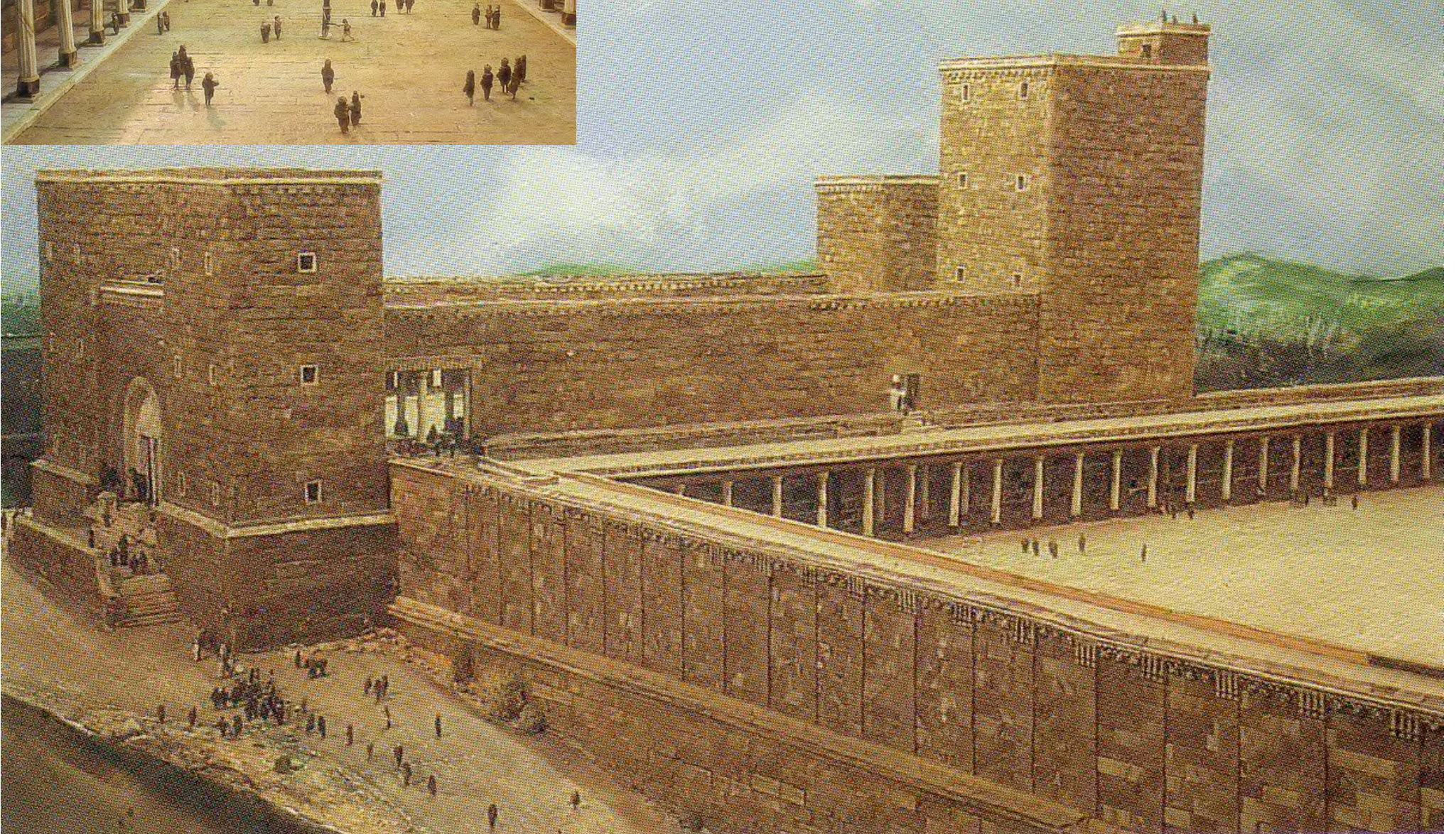
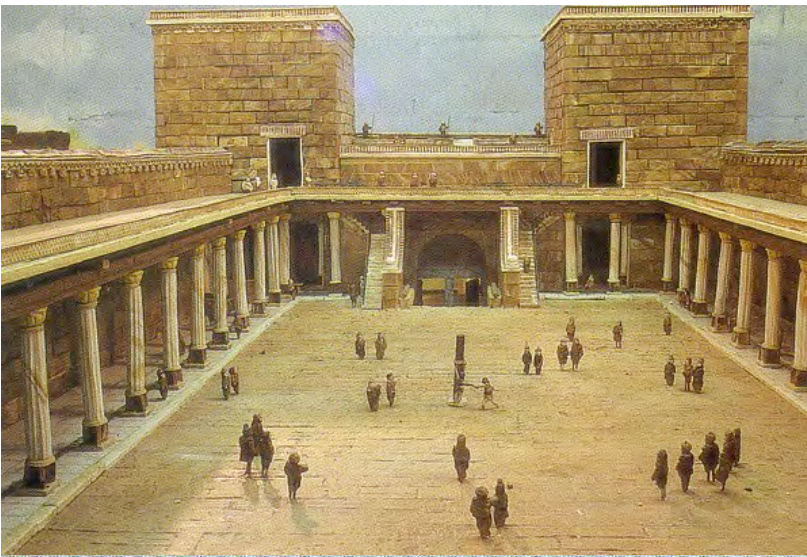
Authorship is easier to determine than **when** John wrote.
Three periods have been proposed for the date of the Gospel:



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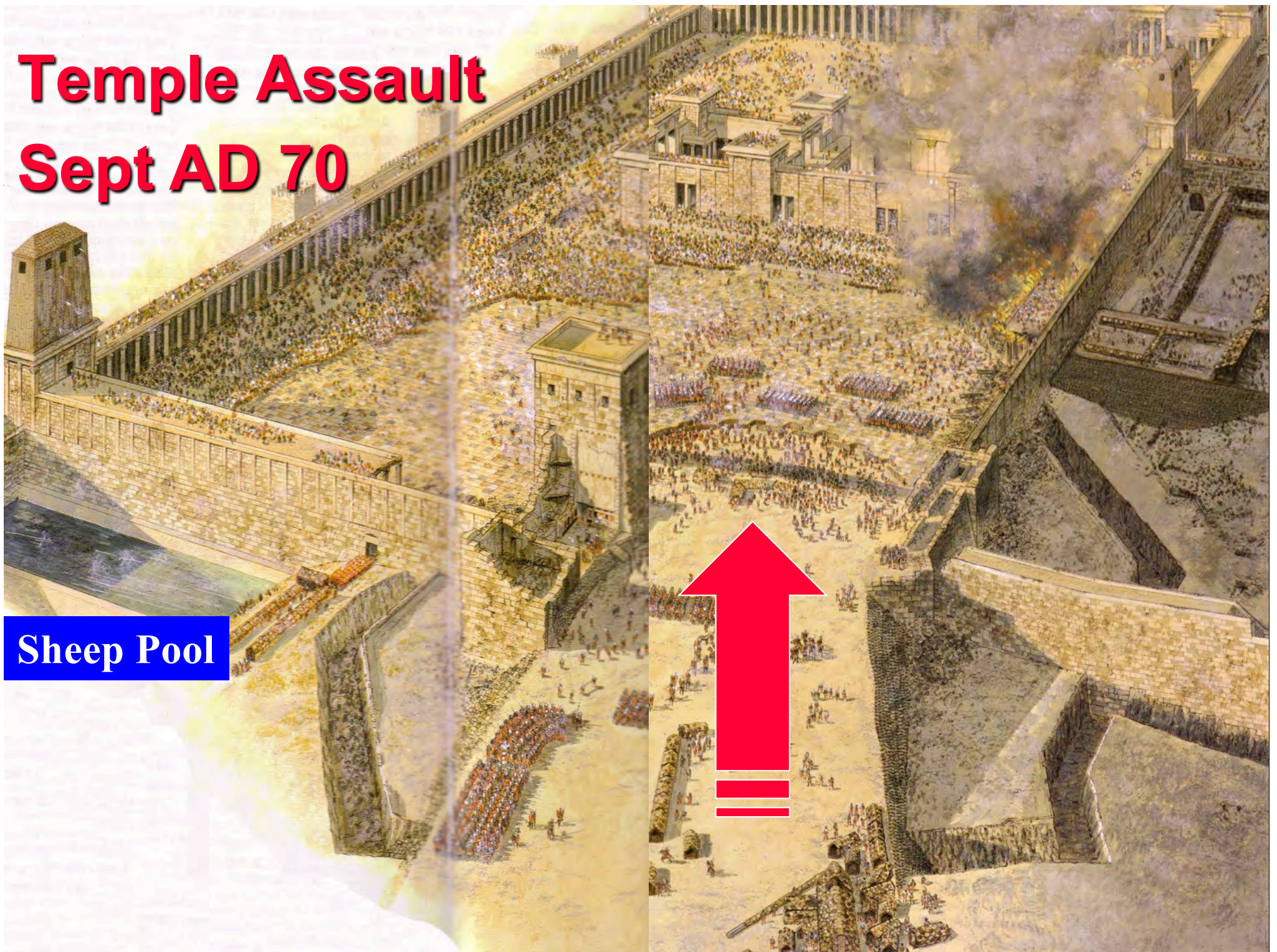
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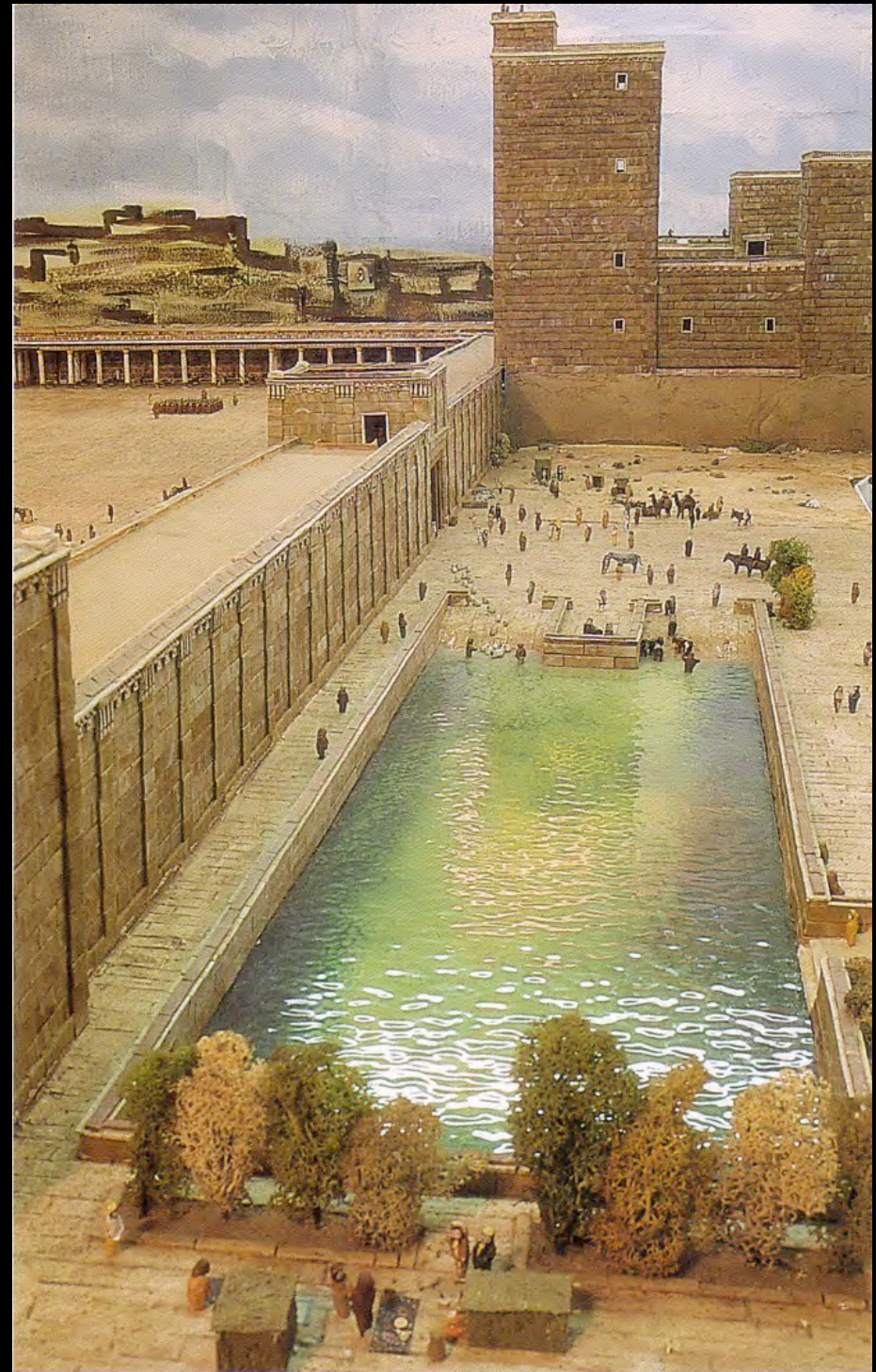
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Sheep Pool



The Pool of Israel

(Sheep Pool south
of Pool of Bethesda)



Pool of Bethesda



"Now there is in Jerusalem near the Sheep Gate a pool... called Bethesda..."

John 5:2

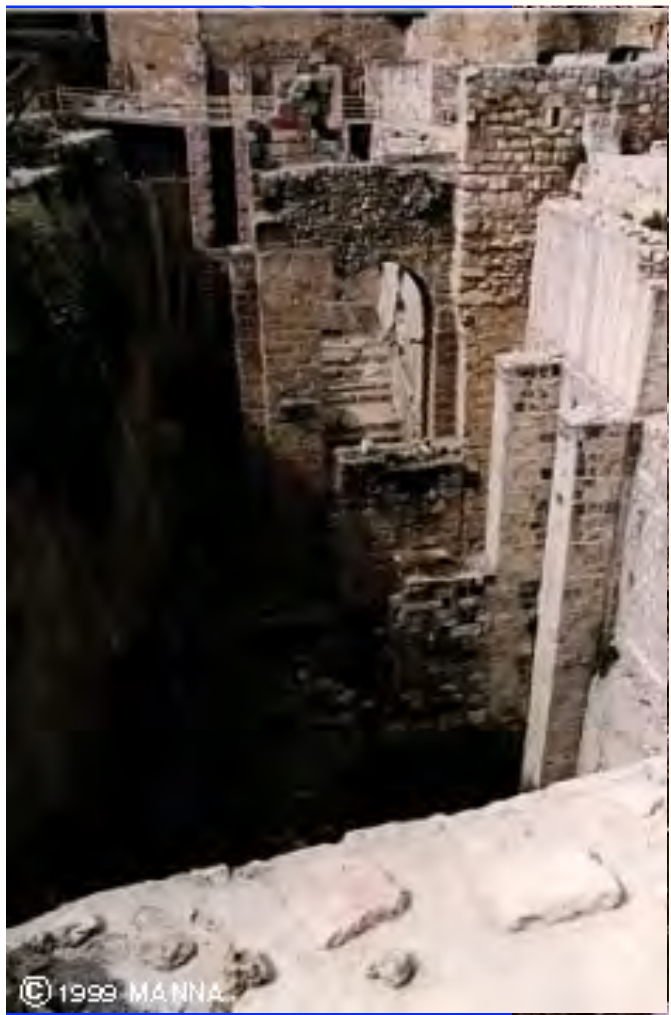
Pool of Bethesda



"Now there is in Jerusalem near the Sheep Gate a pool... called Bethesda..."

John 5:2

Pool of Bethesda Ruins



Occasion

John's stated purpose is for evangelism: to prove that Jesus was the Messiah and Son of God so that nonbelievers might be convinced of His deity through the signs recorded in the Gospel and believe in Him for salvation (John 20:31)

Signs in John's Gospel

Signs unique to John's Gospel (six of the nine miracles)

Seven pre-cross signs are recorded:

- 1. Changing water into wine at Cana (2:1-11)**
- 2. Healing the official's son in Capernaum (4:46-54)**
- 3. Healing the invalid at the Pool of Bethesda (5:1-18)**
- 4. Feeding the 5,000 near the Sea of Galilee (6:1-15)**
- 5. Walking on water in the Sea of Galilee (6:16-24)**
- 6. Healing the man born blind in Jerusalem (9:1-7)**
- 7. Raising Lazarus from the dead in Bethany (11:1-45)**

Two post-cross signs are also recorded:

- 1. Resurrection of Christ (ch. 20)**
- 2. Miraculous catch of fish at Sea of Galilee (21:1-13)**

Therefore, the total miracles in John equals nine signs.

Deity Made Man for Eternal Life

Deity of the Son of God		Revelation of the Son of God		Preparation of the Son's Disciples	Passion & Resurrection of the Son of God	Adequacy of the Son of God
1:1-18		1:19–12:50		13–17	18–20	21
Prologue		Public		Private	Public	Private
Incarnation	2 Signs Received 1:19–4:54	5 Signs Rejected 5–12	Upper Room Discourse (no signs)	Ultimate Sign	Last Sign	
Eternity Past	Fall AD 29- Monday, 30 March 33		Thursday, 2 April 33	Friday, 3 April 33- Sunday, 5 April 33	May, AD 33	

Ephesus (AD 65-69)

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1:1-18 Prologue: Deity

1:19–12:50 *Public* Revelation through
7 Signs and 8 Discourses

13–17 *Private* Preparation of Disciples

18–20 *Public* Passion/Resurrection

21 *Private* Epilogue: Adequacy



A stylized illustration of a green tree with a dark trunk, standing on a grassy hill. The background is a blue sky with several bright yellow light streaks or rays emanating from behind the tree. The overall style is artistic and somewhat abstract, with a textured, painterly feel. The text 'Our Priorities' is overlaid on the right side of the image in a bold, yellow font with a dark outline.

Our Priorities

The Message of John



Do **you** believe in
Jesus Christ?

For God so loved the world that he
gave his one and only Son, that
whoever believes in him shall not
perish but have eternal life.

**For God so loved the world that he
gave his one and only Son, that
whoever believes in him shall not
perish but have eternal life.**

John 3:16

Priorities for This Next Year



Will **you** grow in prayer with the rest of us this year?

Will **you** grow in God's Word by daily reading?

JOHN: UNIQUE ELEMENTS

- 1. Simplicity of vocabulary**
- 2. Parallelisms**
- 3. Repetition**
- 4. Contrasts**
- 5. Explanatory Statements**
- 6. Preface**
- 7. Allegories**

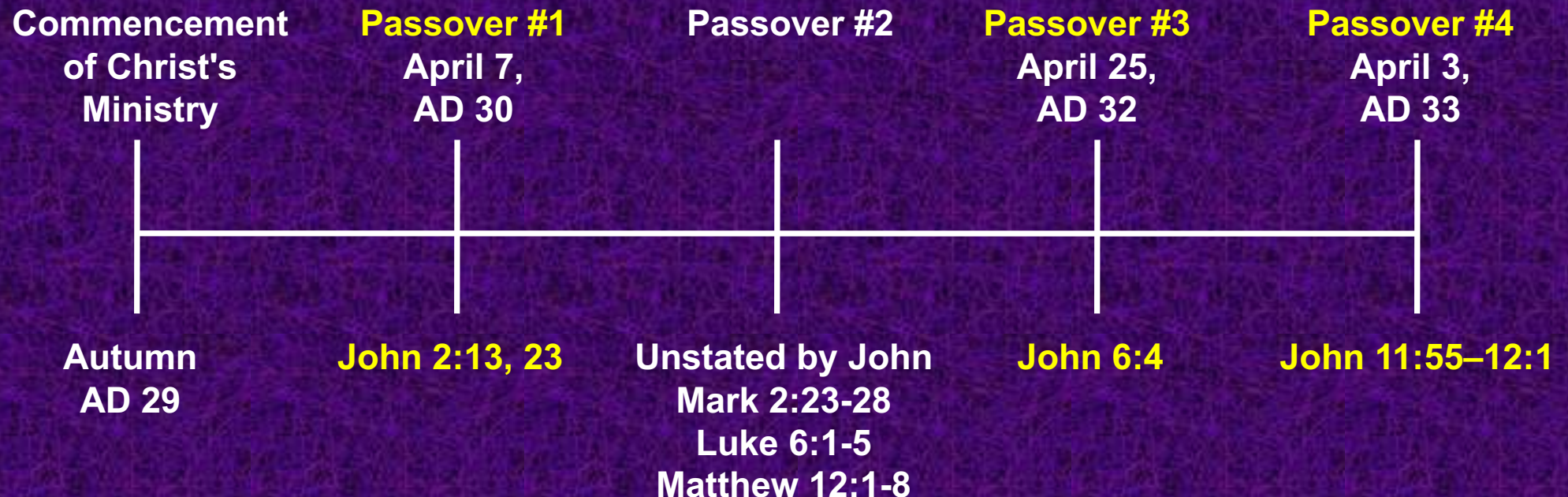
JOHN: UNIQUE ELEMENTS

- **First few days with disciples**
- **Upper Room Discourse**
- **Ministry centered in Judea—
not Galilee as in Synoptics**
- **Three Passovers (John 2:13;
6:4; 11:55) imply three-year
ministry—not one year
implied in the Synoptics**

The Duration of Christ's Ministry⁵⁶

Autumn AD 29 – 3 April AD 33 (3.5 Years)

John alone notes three *Passovers*



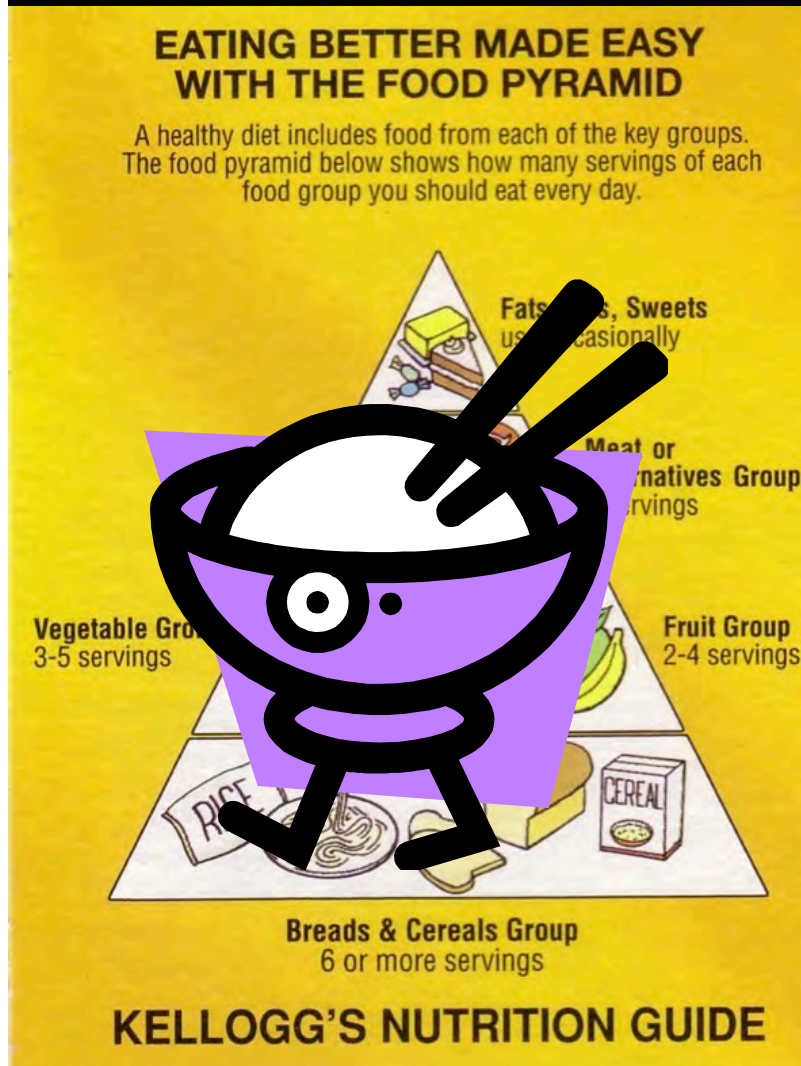
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JOHN: UNIQUE ELEMENTS

- **Jesus teaches mostly about Himself rather than giving parables to the multitudes**
- **Cleansing of the temple at the beginning of His ministry while the Synoptics place it at the close (two cleansings)**

Christ's words are prominent. John records great discourses, such as the traditionally noted eight "I am" statements:

"I am the bread of life" (6:35)



Purpose

Evangelistic

Edification

Combination

Apologetic

Supplemental

Our Problem: Evil



The Chinese pictograph for "evil" reflects Genesis 3. It has the **green symbol for "garden"** placed under a **"great expanse" in blue**. In the garden are two trees in black and a **child is playing** there. Right next to this child is a small mark that stands for **"whisperer."**



"Hour" in John's Gospel

NASB Occurrences (Greek are all *hora* except 7:6, 8):

2:4 "My **hour** has not yet come"

7:6 "My **time** (Gr. *kairos*) is not yet here"

7:8 "My **time** (Gr. *kairos*) has not yet fully come"

7:30 "His **hour** had not yet come"

8:20 "His **hour** had not yet come"

12:23 "The **hour** has come for the Son of Man to be glorified"

12:27 "Shall I say, 'Father, save Me from this **hour**'? But for this purpose I came to this **hour**."

13:1 "Now before the Feast of the Passover, Jesus knowing that His **hour** had come that He would depart out of this world to the Father..."

17:1 "Father, the **hour** has come; glorify Your Son, that the Son may glorify You."

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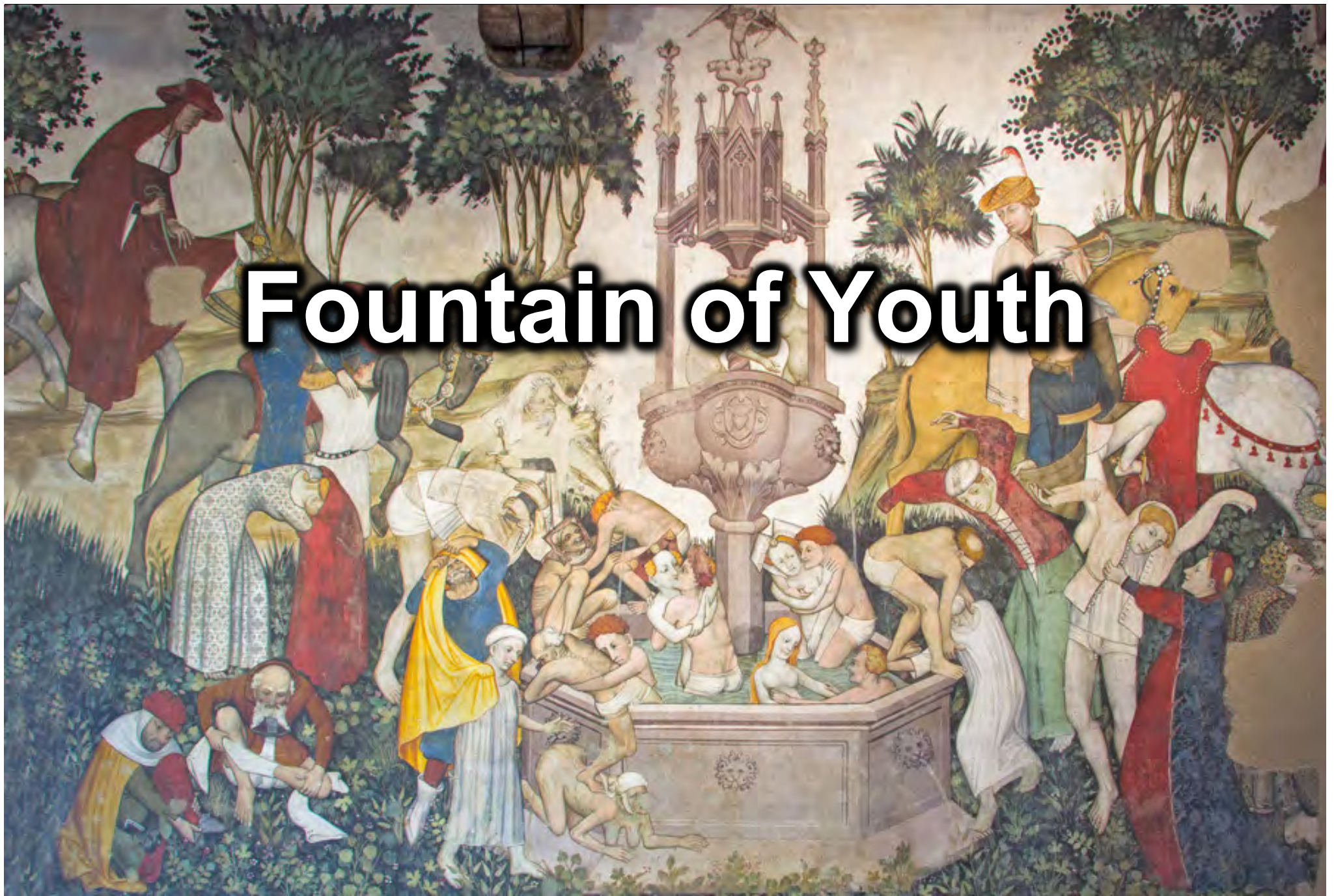
What is eternal life?

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Fountain of Youth



Fountain of Youth





In his quest for longevity, five hundred years ago, Spanish explorer Ponce de León, drank his way around the Florida coast to find the legendary fountain of youth.

Cryonics (Body Freezing)



Cryonics (Body Freezing)



**“God has put eternity in
their hearts”**



**Do you have
Eternal Life?**



How can you obtain **eternal** life?



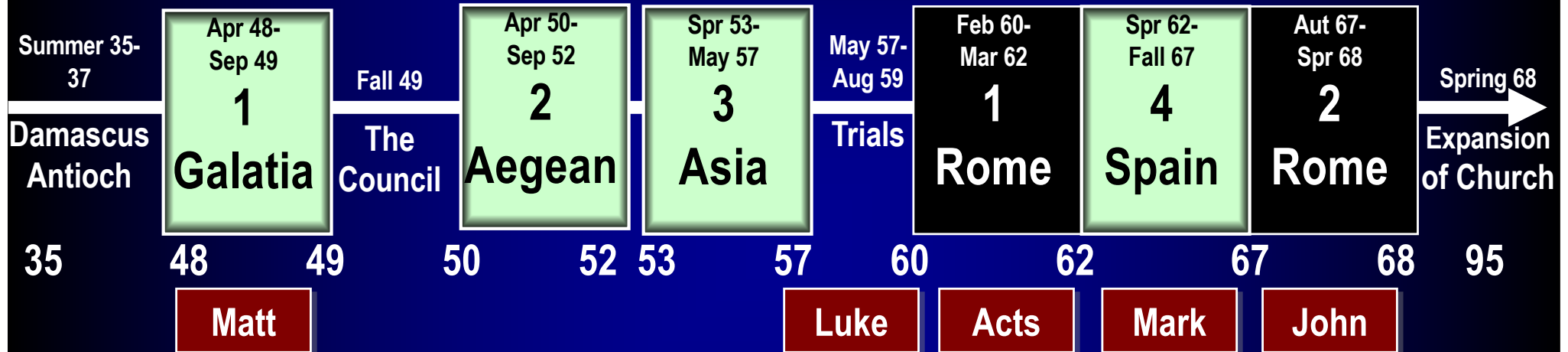
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"To the remotest part of the earth" (Acts 1:8)

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Journeys

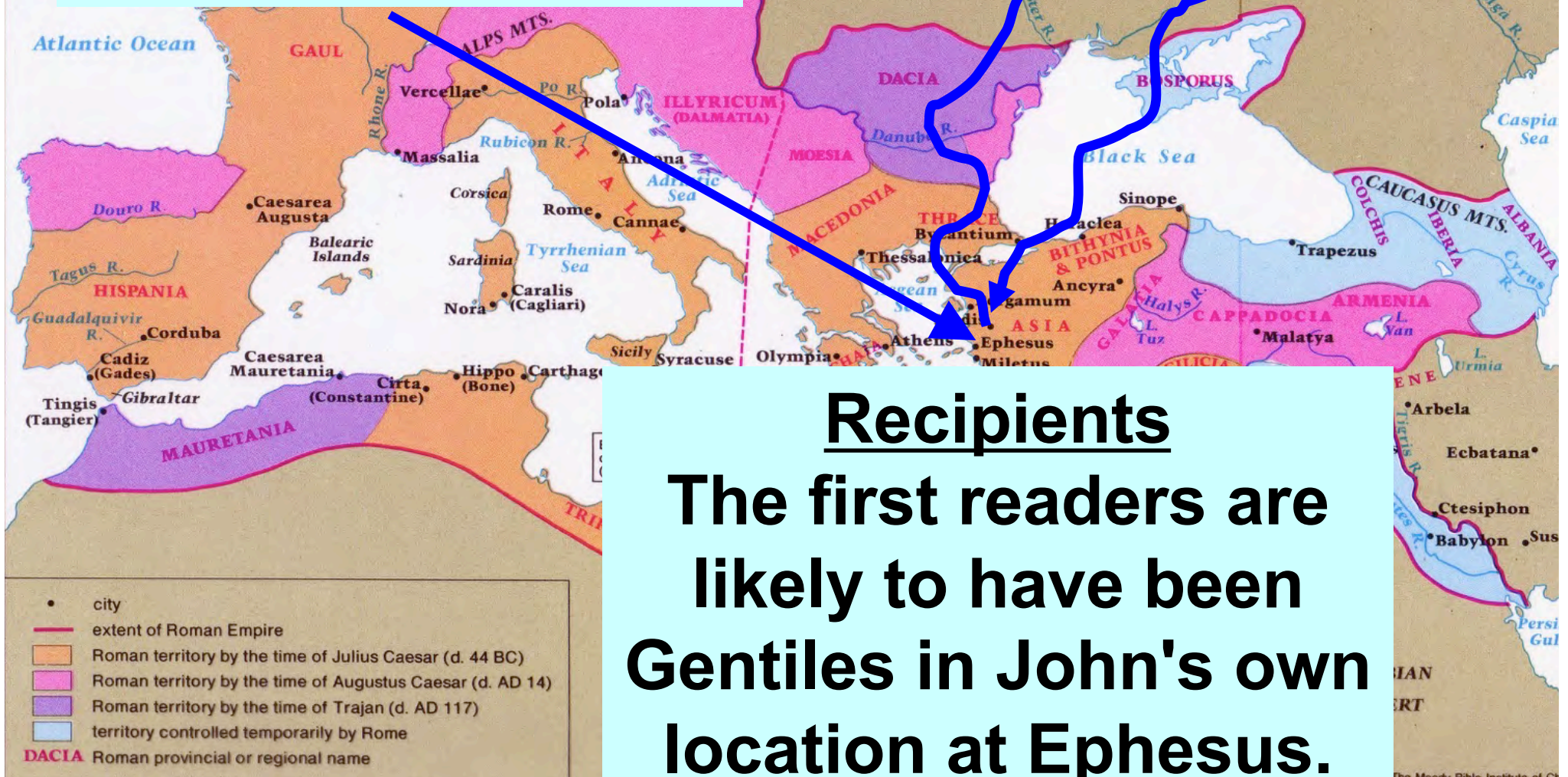
Rome

Imprisonments

Gospels & Acts

Origin John wrote from Ephesus

Roman Empire



Recipients

The first readers are likely to have been Gentiles in John's own location at Ephesus.



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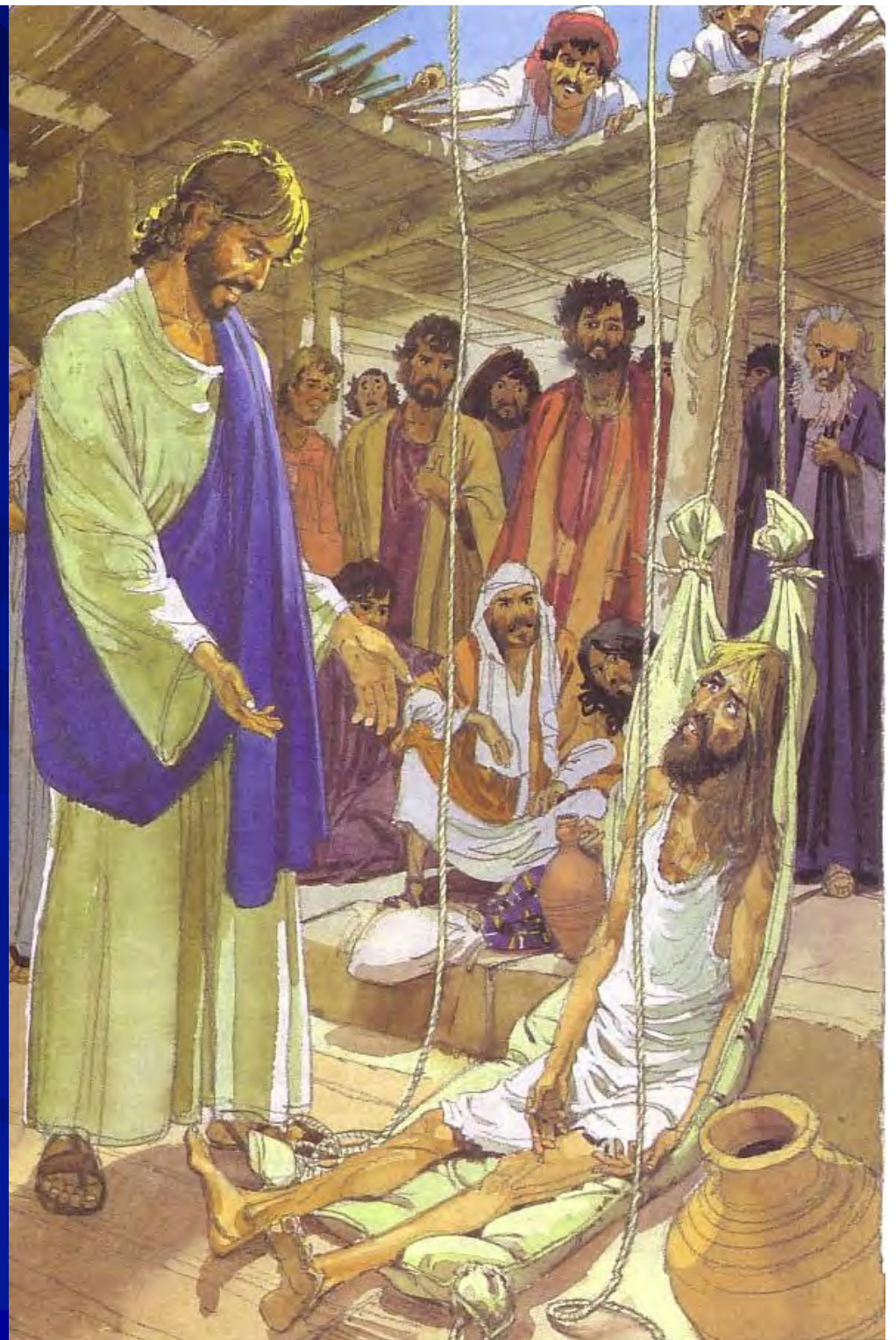


Signs are Vital to Life



God's Love

■ Shown
in
Signs



Signs in John's Gospel

Signs unique to John's Gospel in yellow (6 of the 9 miracles)

**WATER
TO WINE**
2:1-11

**HEALING
OFFICIAL'S
SON**
4:46-54

**HEALING
PARALYTIC**
5:1-18

**FEEDING
5000**
6:1-15

**WALKING
ON WATER**
6:16-24

**HEALING
BLIND MAN**
9:1-7

**RAISING
LAZARUS**
11:1-45

**CHRIST'S
RESURRECTION**
20:1-31

**FISH
CATCH**
21:1-3



Key Verse

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"Jesus did many other miraculous signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written *that you may believe* that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name" (20:30-31).

John



Key Word for John

Theme

23

**Deity Made Man
for Eternal Life**

John

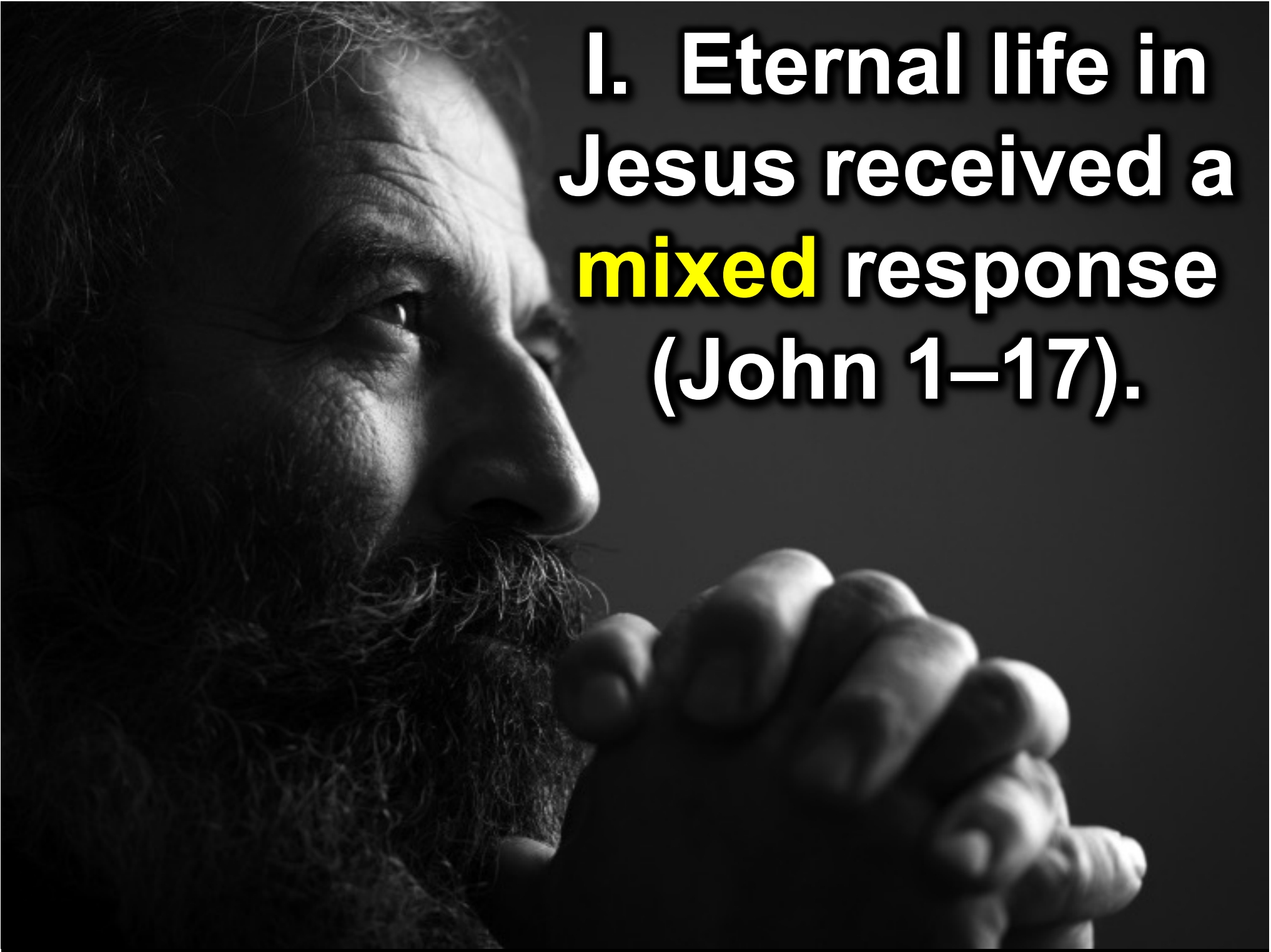
Deity Made Man for Eternal Life

Deity of the Son of God		Revelation of the Son of God		Preparation of the Son's Disciples	Passion & Resurrection of the Son of God	Adequacy of the Son of God
1:1-18		1:19–12:50		13–17	18–20	21
Prologue		Public		Private	Public	Private
Incarnation	2 Signs Received 1:19–4:54	5 Signs Rejected 5–12	Upper Room Discourse (no signs)	Ultimate Sign	Last Sign	
Eternity Past	Fall AD 29- Monday, 30 March 33		Thursday, 2 April 33	Friday, 3 April 33- Sunday, 5 April 33	May, AD 33	

Ephesus (AD 65-69)

12 "I AM" STATEMENTS IN JOHN

1. "I am [the Messiah]" (4:26)
2. "I am! Don't be afraid" (6:20)
3. "I am the bread of life" (6:35)
4. "I am the light of the world" (8:12)
5. "Before Abraham was, I am" (8:58)
6. "I am the door [of the sheep]" (10:7)
7. "I am the good shepherd" (10:11, 14)
8. "I am the resurrection and the life" (11:25)
9. "I am [he]" (13:19)
10. "I am the way, the truth, and the life" (14:6)
11. "I am the true vine" (15:1)
12. "He said to them, 'I Am [he]'" (18:5, 6, 8)



I. Eternal life in
Jesus received a
mixed response
(John 1–17).

II. Eternal life comes by
believing that Jesus died and
rose for you (John 18–21).



**John said eternal life comes
by trusting Jesus as God
made man (1:1-18).**

John 1



Jesus is God

John 1:1-14 (NIV)

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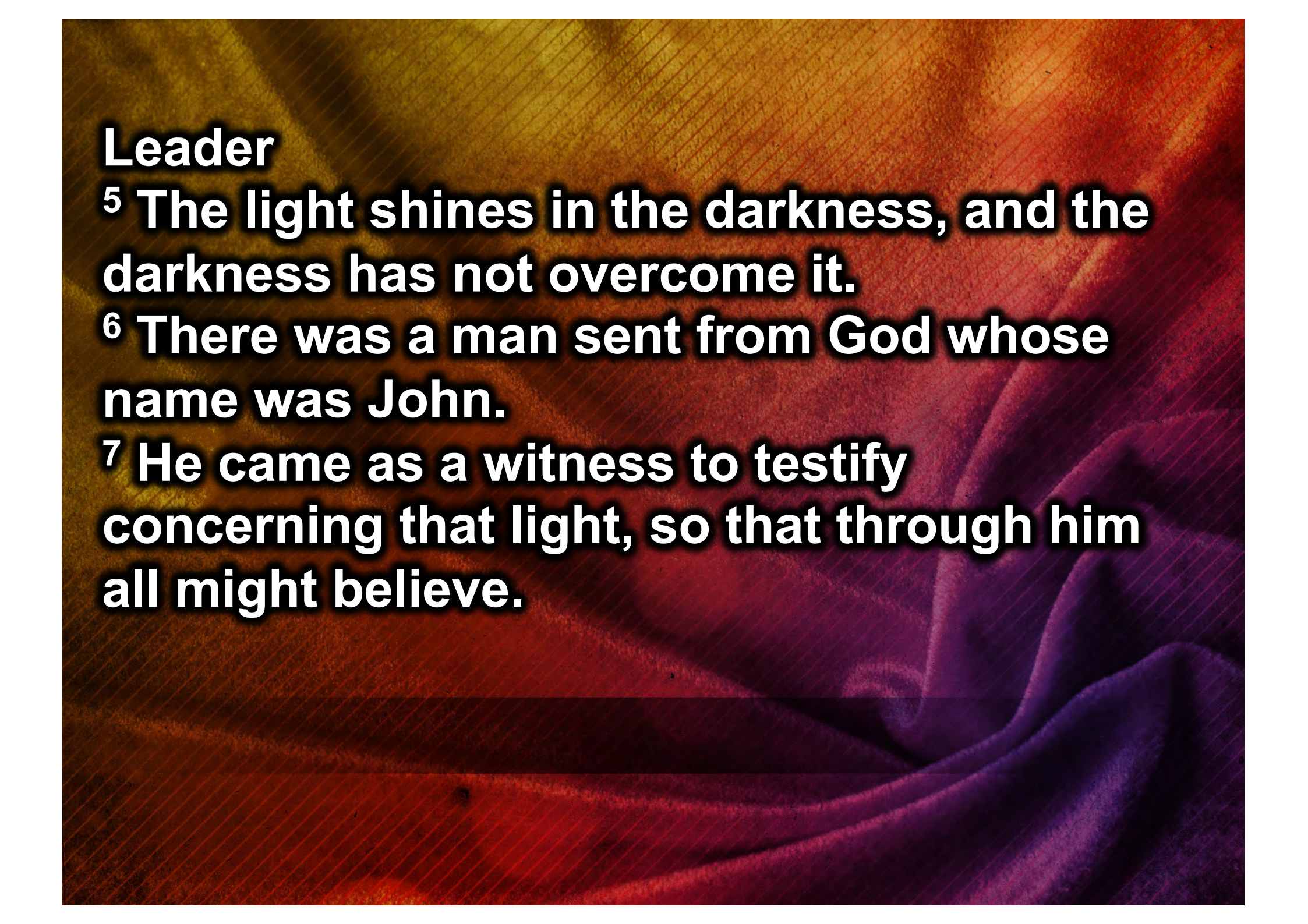
¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

² He was with God in the beginning.

Congregation

³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.

⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.



Leader

⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

⁶ There was a man sent from God whose name was John.

⁷ He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe.

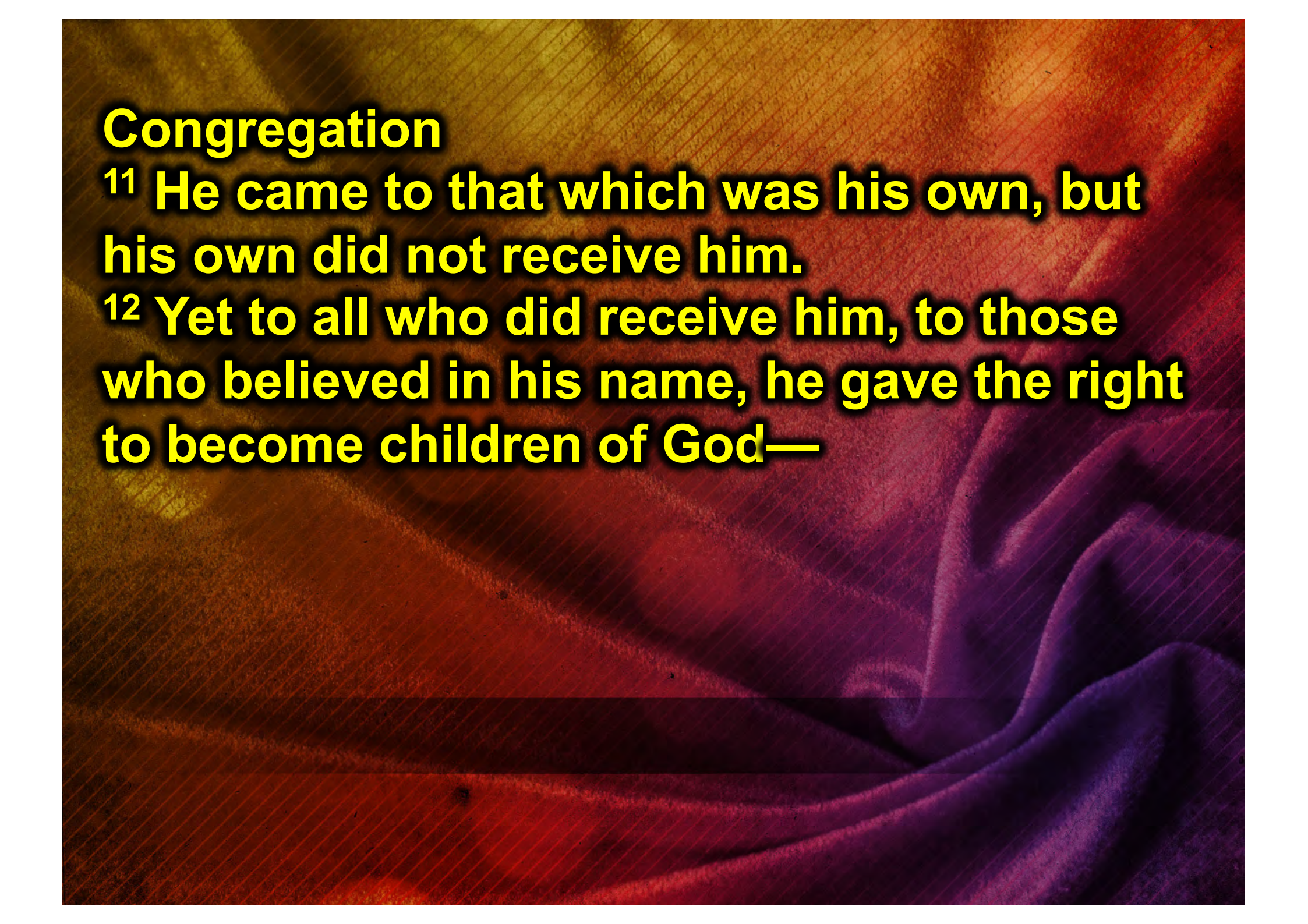
Congregation

⁸ He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

⁹ The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world.

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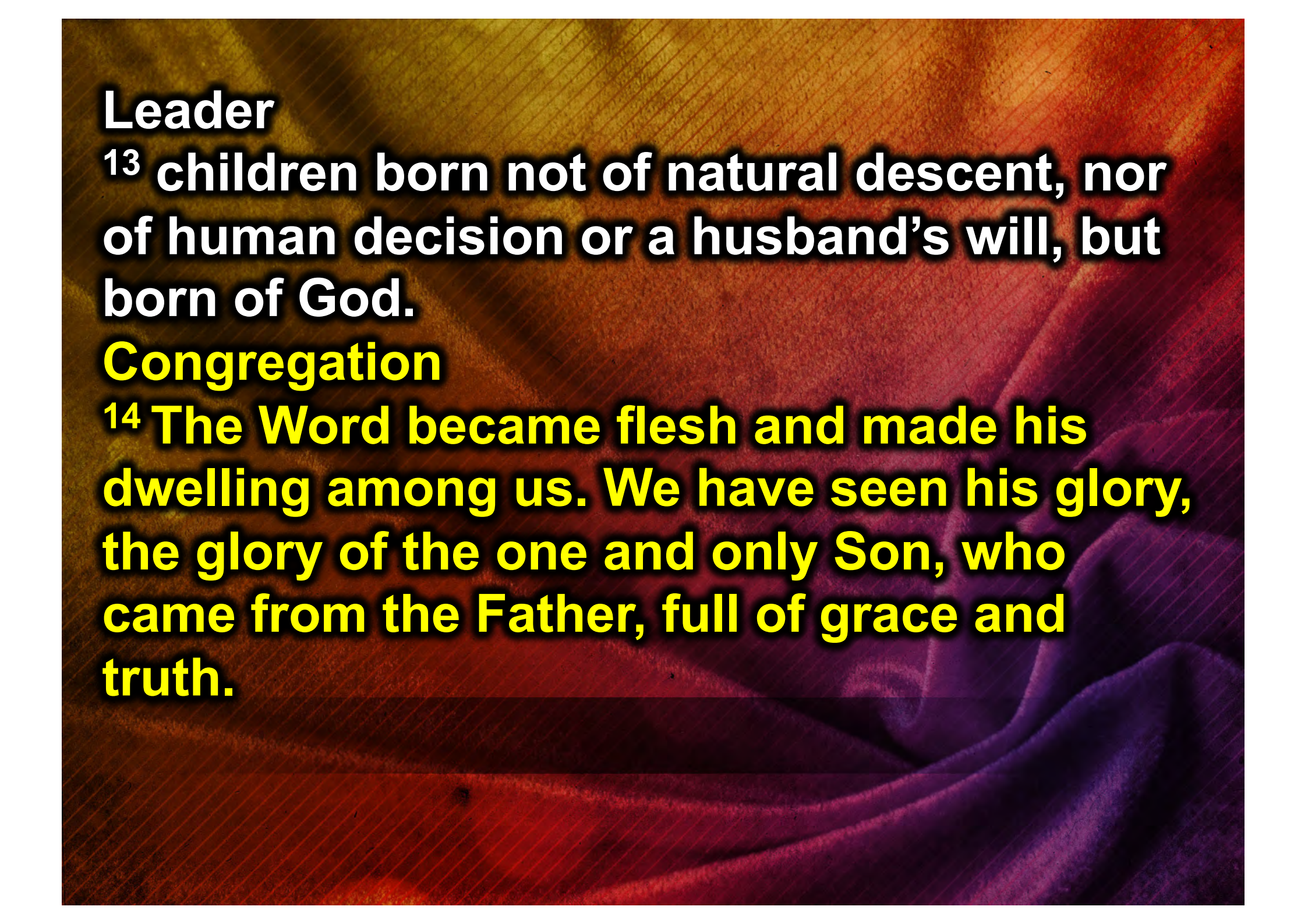
¹⁰ He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him.



Congregation

¹¹ He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him.

¹² Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God—

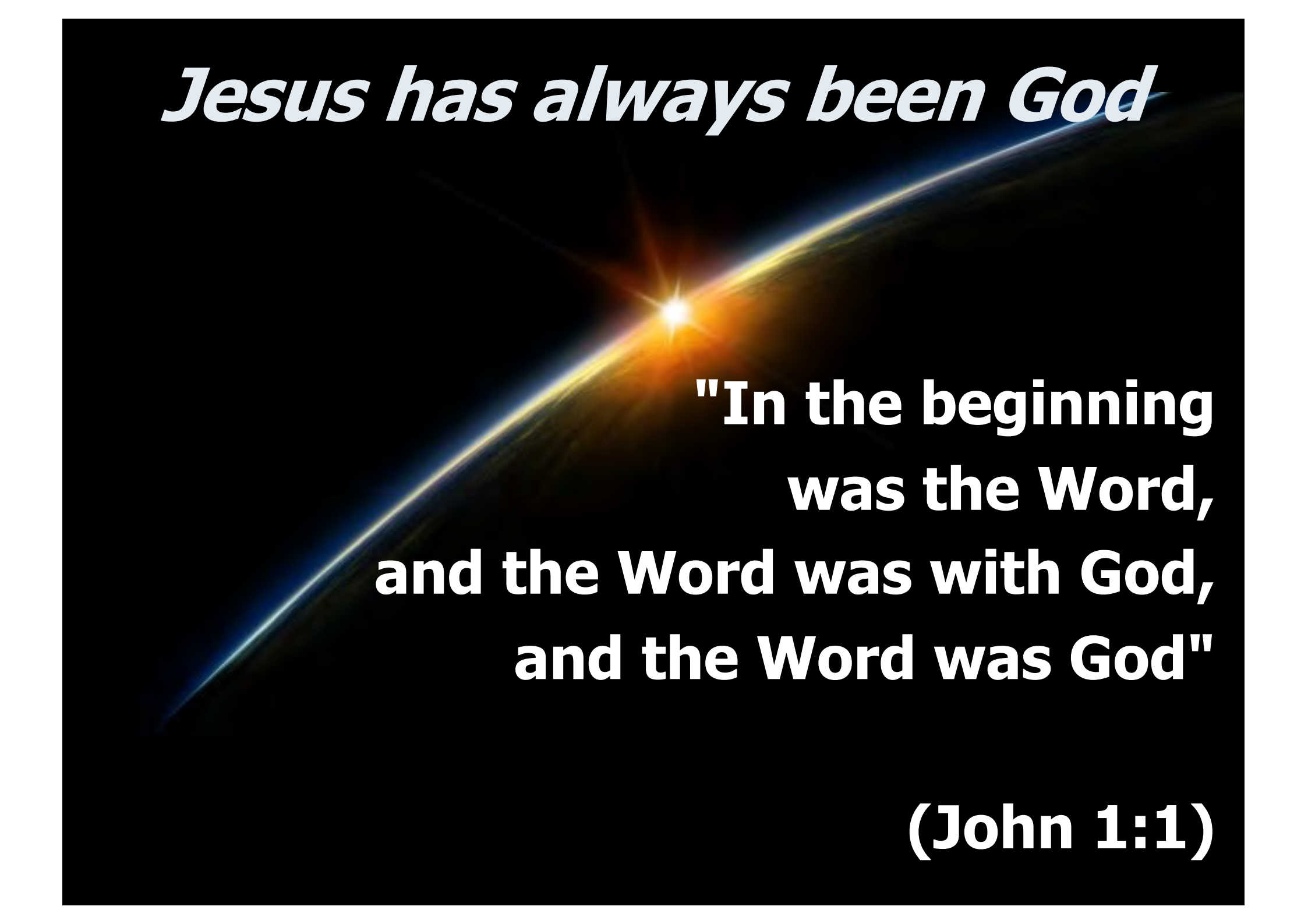


Leader

¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

Congregation

¹⁴ The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.



Jesus has always been God

**"In the beginning
was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God"**

(John 1:1)

Jews rejected Christ even though he was Jewish (1:11)

"He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive [Gr. 'welcome alongside'] him" (NIV).

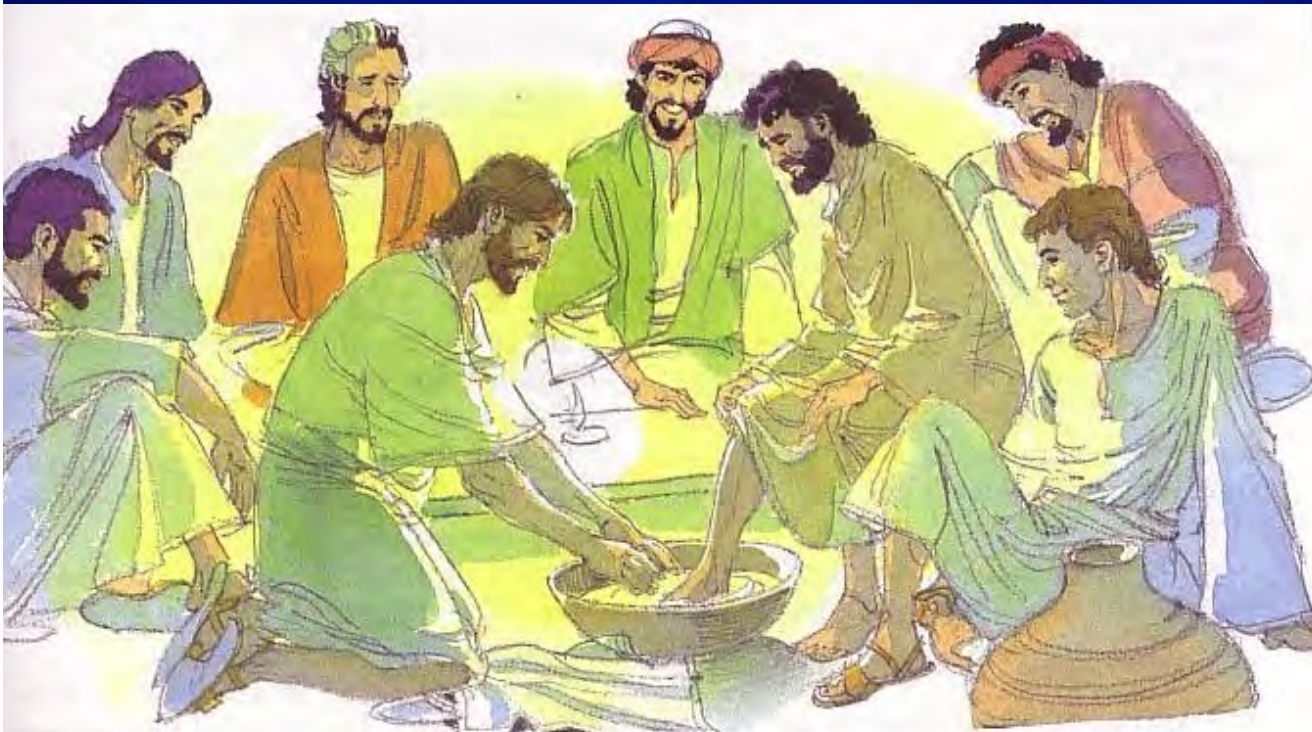
*You become a child
of God by believing
that Jesus is God:*

"But to all who
believed him and
accepted him, he
gave the right to
become children
of God"
(John 1:12 NLT)



God became man in Jesus

- "So the Word became human and lived here on earth among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the only Son of the Father" (John 1:14 NLT)





The Nicene Creed (AD 325)

Teachings of the Heretic Arius

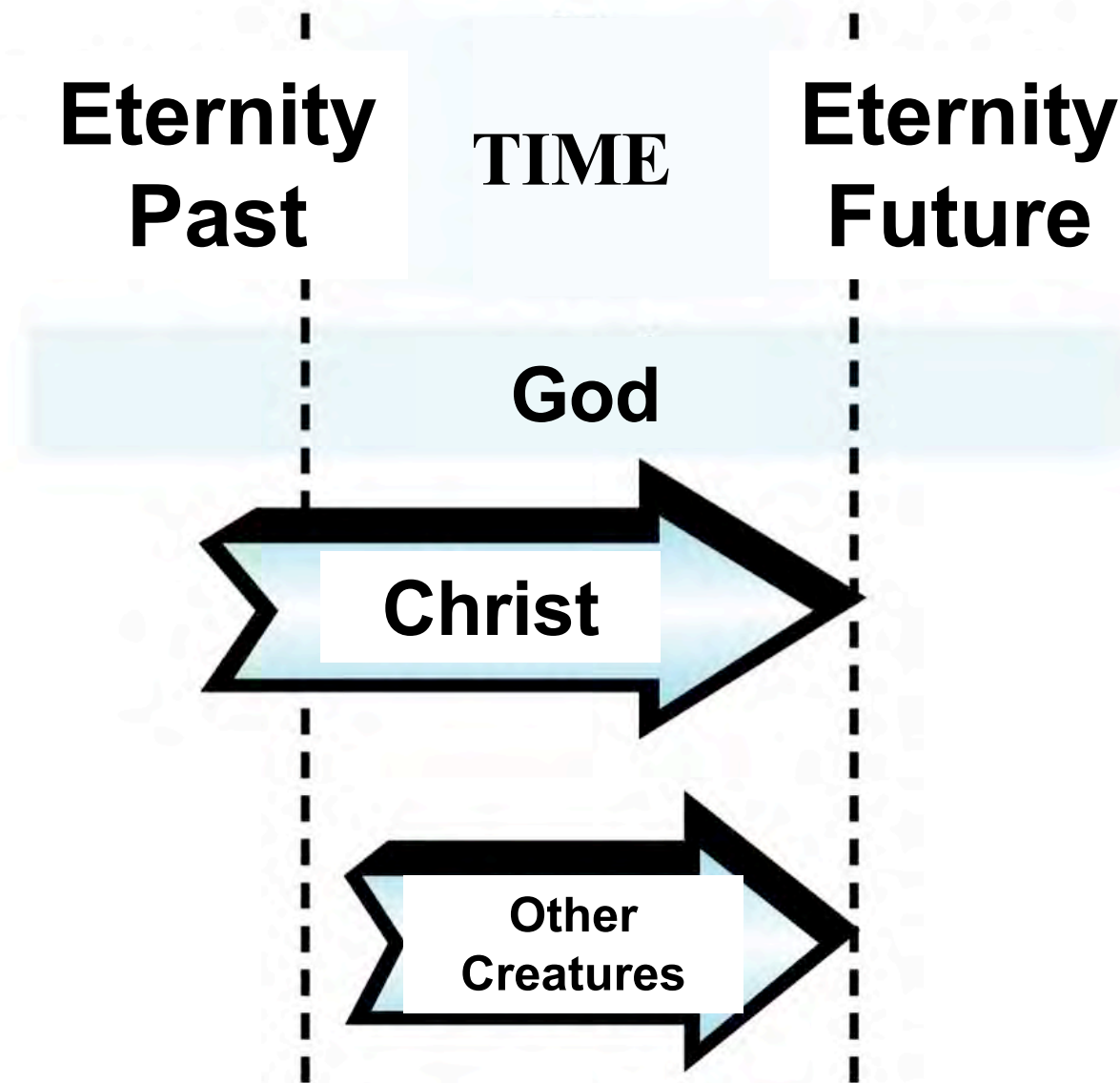


Chart 61

Alexander versus the Heretic Arius

Alexander:
*Bishop of
Alexandria*

Father

Son

Creation

Arius:
*Presbyter under
Alexander*

Father

Son

Creation

Chart 62

What About Nicea (AD 325)?

Bishops throughout
the Eastern Empire
gathered &
excommunicated
Arius of Alexandria



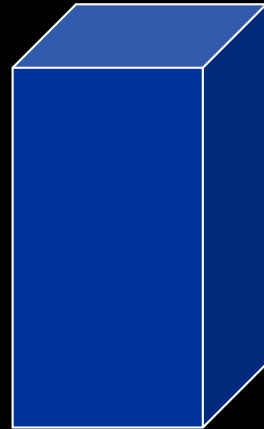
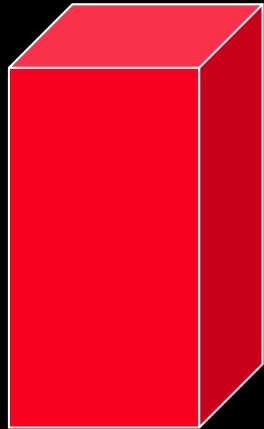
Alexander

Arius

What About Nicaea?

Fiction

Fact



Arians:
"Jesus Not God"

Orthodox:
"Jesus is God"

3 votes



Arians:
"Jesus Not God"

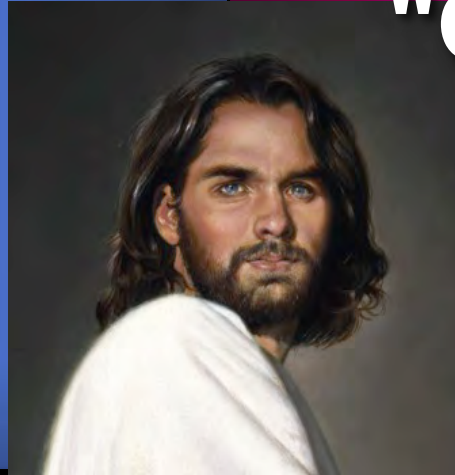


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Orthodox:
"Jesus is God"

AD 325
Council of Nicaea

Paul:
**"Christ, who is
God over all"**
Rom. 9:5



Peter:
**"God and Savior
Jesus Christ"**
2 Pet. 1:1

1st century belief in Deity

The Father:
**"About the Son He
says, 'Your throne,
O God...'"** Heb. 1:8

Jesus:
**"I and the Father
are one"**
John 10:30

Belief in Christ's Deity Before Nicaea

Ignatius: "God Himself was manifest in human form" (AD 105)

Clement: "It is fitting that you should think of Jesus Christ as of God" (AD 150)

Irenaeus: "He is God, for the name Emmanuel indicates this" (AD 180)

Tertullian: "... Christ our God" (AD 200)

Origen: "No one should be offended that the Savior is also God" (AD 225)

Lactantius: "We believe Him to be God" (AD 304)

The Nicene Creed (AD 325)

**We believe in one God,
the Father All Governing,
Creator of all things
visible and invisible;**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Son of God,
Light from Light,
true God from true God**



The Nicene Creed (AD 325)

begotten not created,
of the same essence
as the Father,
through whom all things
came into being,
both in heaven and on earth;
Who for us men and for our salvation
came down and was incarnate,
becoming human.



The Nicene Creed (AD 325)

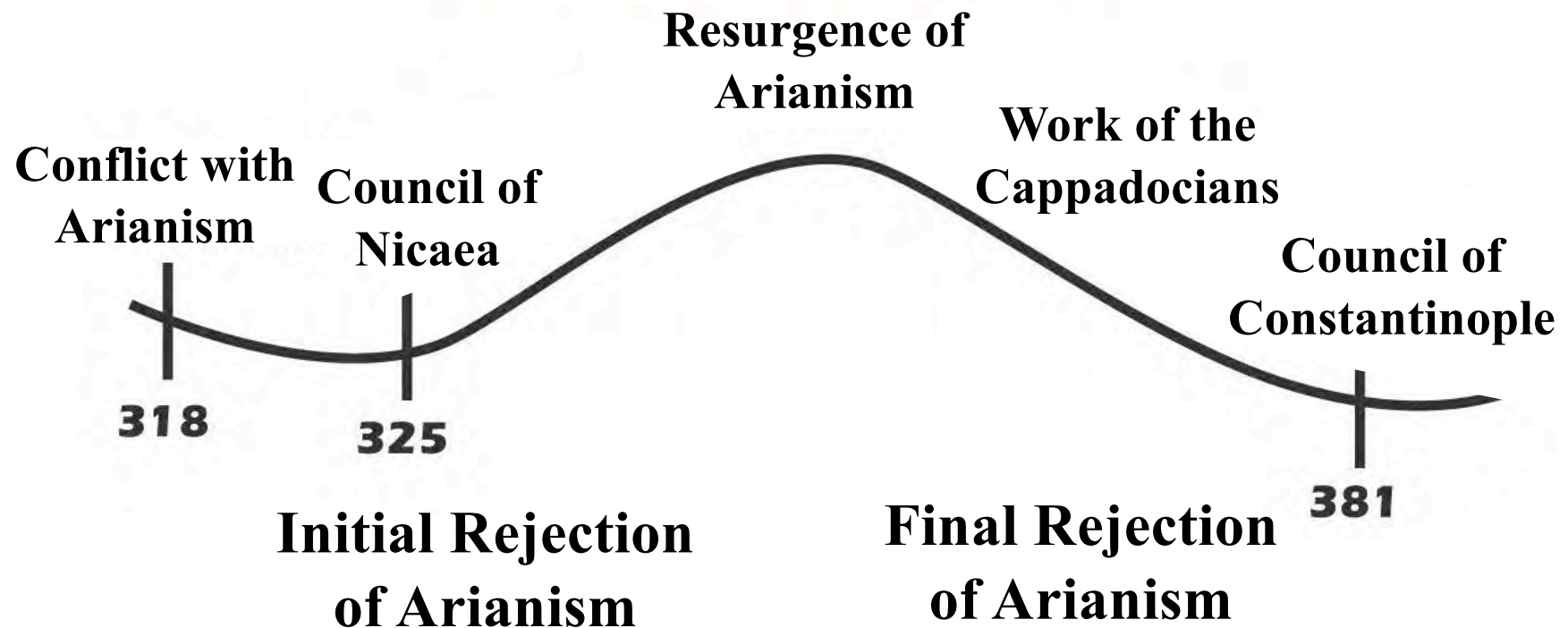
He suffered
and the third day he rose,
and ascended
into the heavens.

And he will come to judge
both the living and the dead.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit.



The Arian Controversy and Trinitarianism



The Resurgence of Arianism

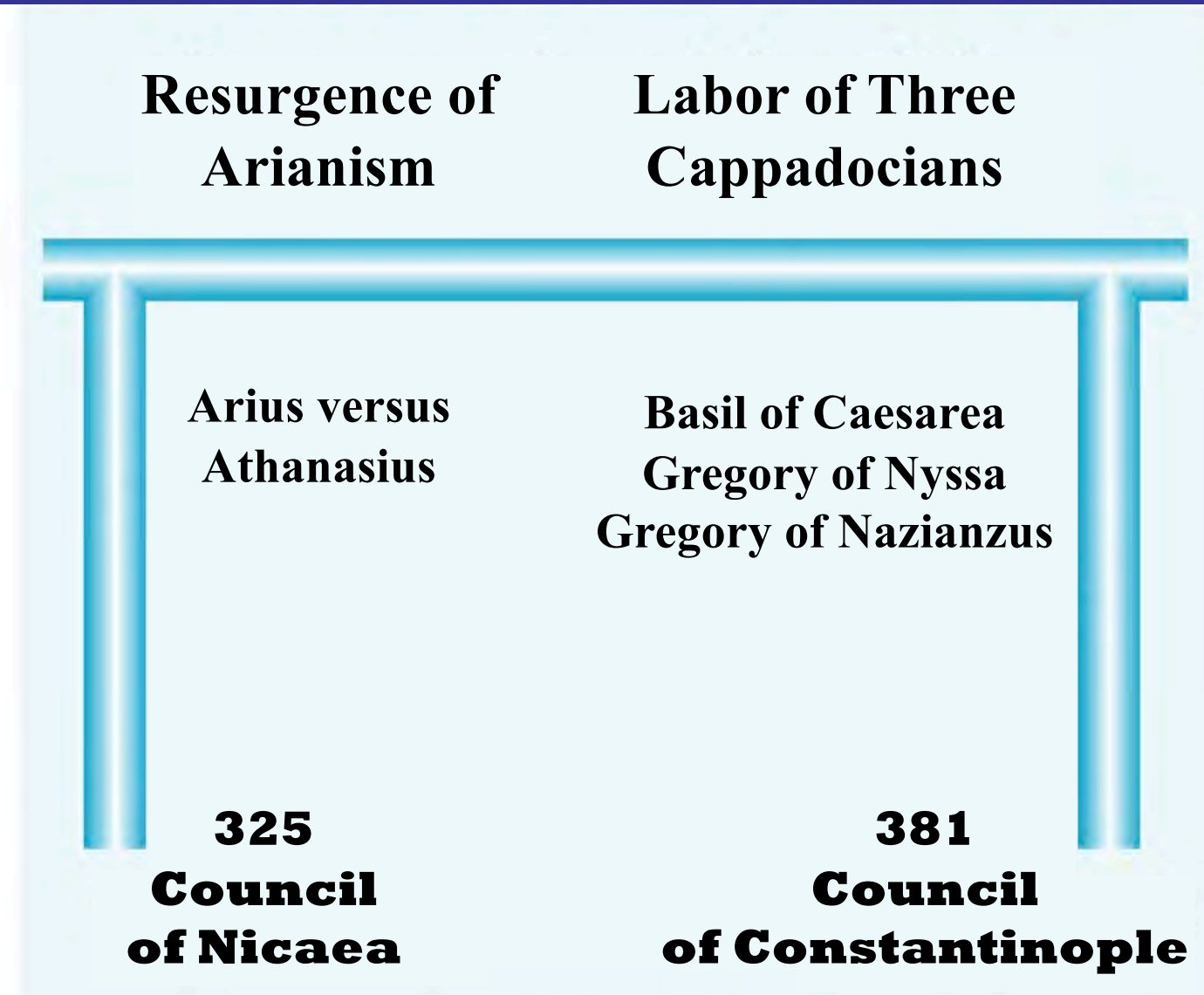


Chart 65

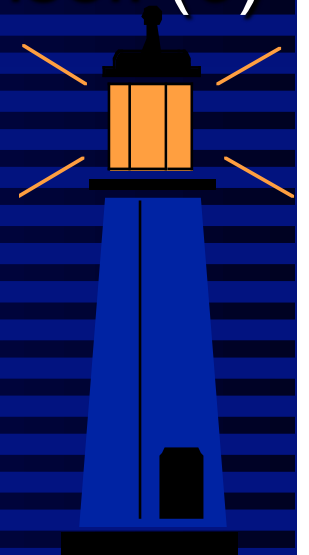
Christ Alone is the Light

John (1:6-9)

- Came to the world (6)
- Came into existence (6)
- A Man (6)
- Testified of the Light (7-8)

Jesus (1:1-5)

- Made the world (3)
- Was in the beginning (1a)
- The Word, or God (1c)
- Was the Light Himself (9)



**People both believed and
rejected Christ's public
revelation of himself as God
(1:19–12:50).**

**Jesus prepared his disciples
to depend on the Holy Spirit
(John 13–17).**

**God's plan was for Jesus to
die and rise back to life for
you (John 18–20).**

**Jesus taught his adequacy for
all who believe (John 21).**

JOHN THE BAPTIST

Matthew 3:1-16

Mark 1:1-11

Luke 3:1-22

John 1:1-34

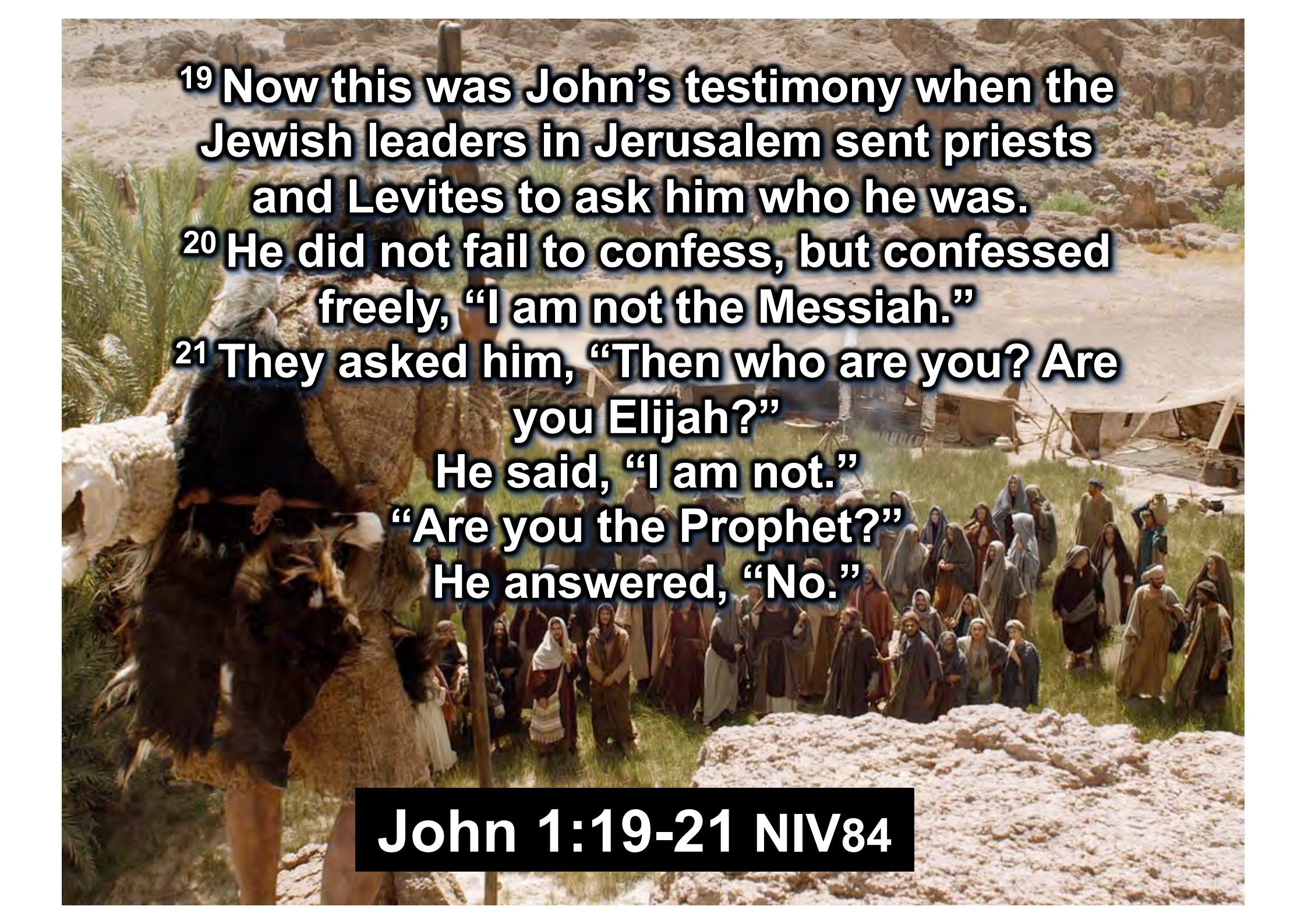


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¹⁹ Now this was John's testimony when the Jewish leaders in Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to ask him who he was.

²⁰ He did not fail to confess, but confessed freely, "I am not the Messiah."

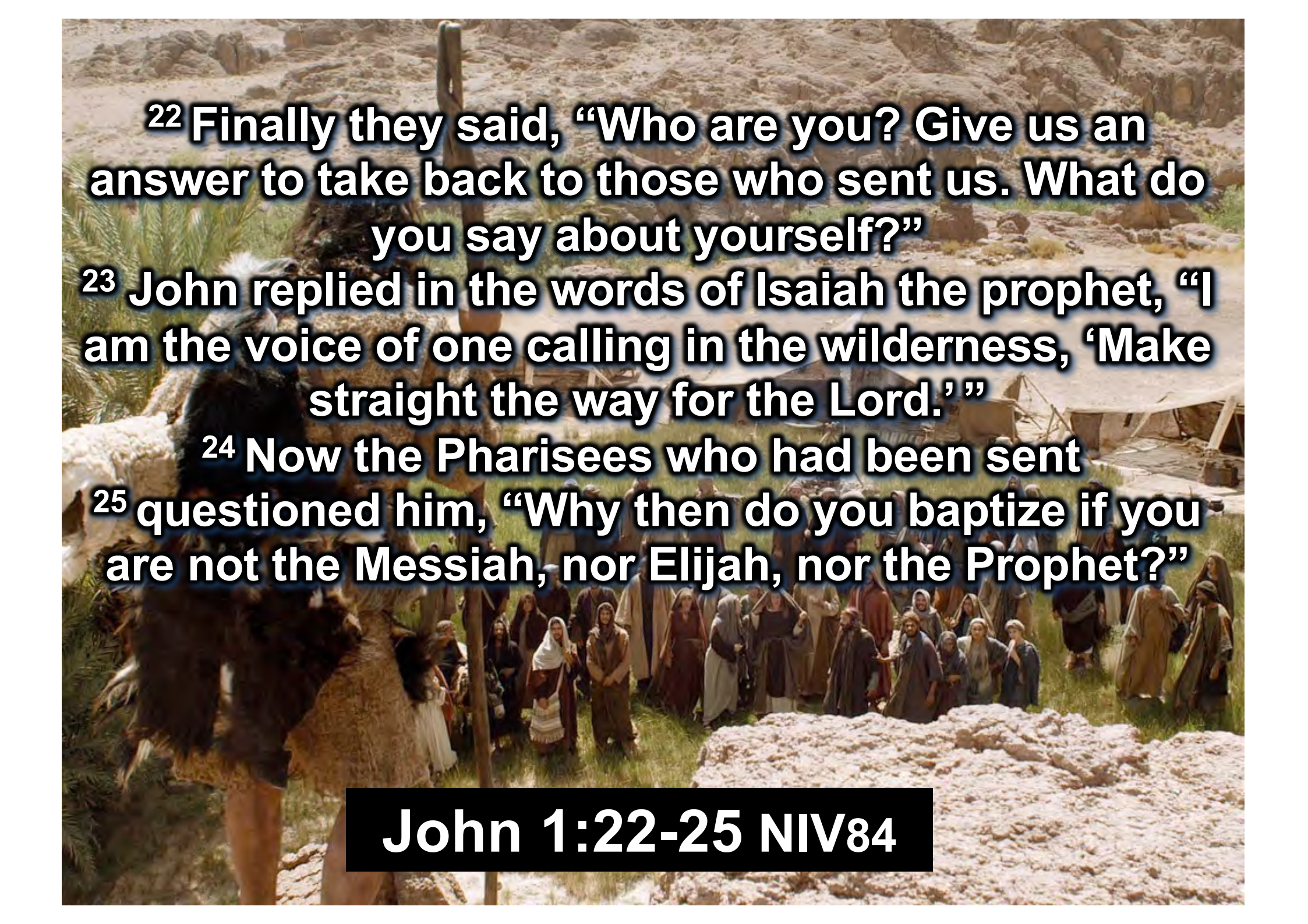
²¹ They asked him, "Then who are you? Are you Elijah?"

He said, "I am not."

"Are you the Prophet?"

He answered, "No."

John 1:19-21 NIV84



²² Finally they said, “Who are you? Give us an answer to take back to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?”

²³ John replied in the words of Isaiah the prophet, “I am the voice of one calling in the wilderness, ‘Make straight the way for the Lord.’”

²⁴ Now the Pharisees who had been sent
²⁵ questioned him, “Why then do you baptize if you are not the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?”

John 1:22-25 NIV84





































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Outline of 1–12

114-116

(1:1-18) John's **theological prologue** presents Christ as God made man to be man's light and life to introduce themes which recur later in his Gospel and to encourage belief in the following account.

(1:19–12:50) John affirms how Christ's **public revelation** of Himself as God through seven signs and eight discourses receives a mixed reaction to cause his readers to consider their own personal response to Christ as Savior.

John 2



Christ can make all things new in your life!

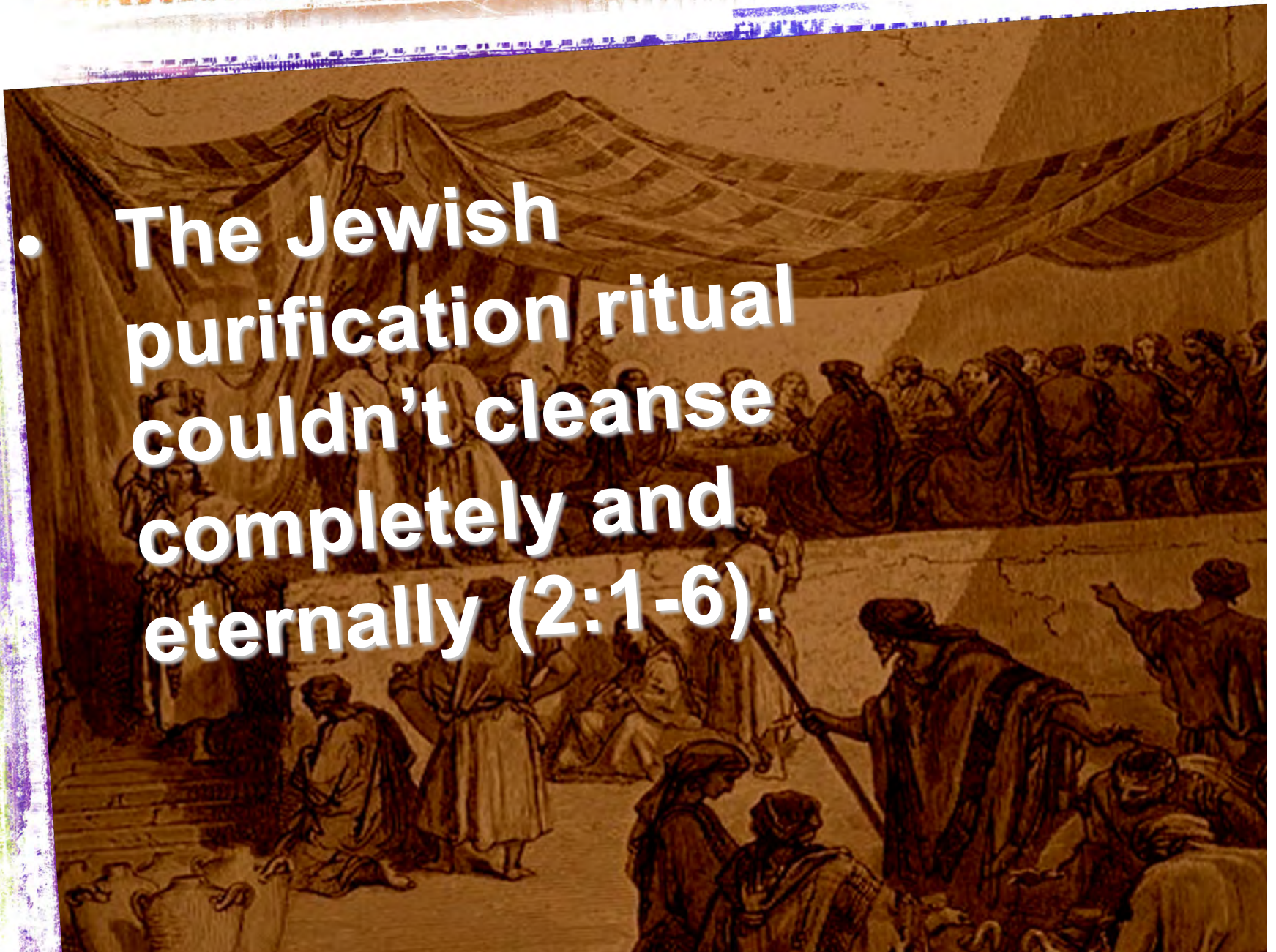
John 2

The first miracle

The temple cleansing

Cana Wedding

- The Jewish purification ritual couldn't cleanse completely and eternally (2:1-6).



**Admit that Jesus is better
than rituals because he can
make all things new.**





John 2:1-11



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A dramatic scene 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

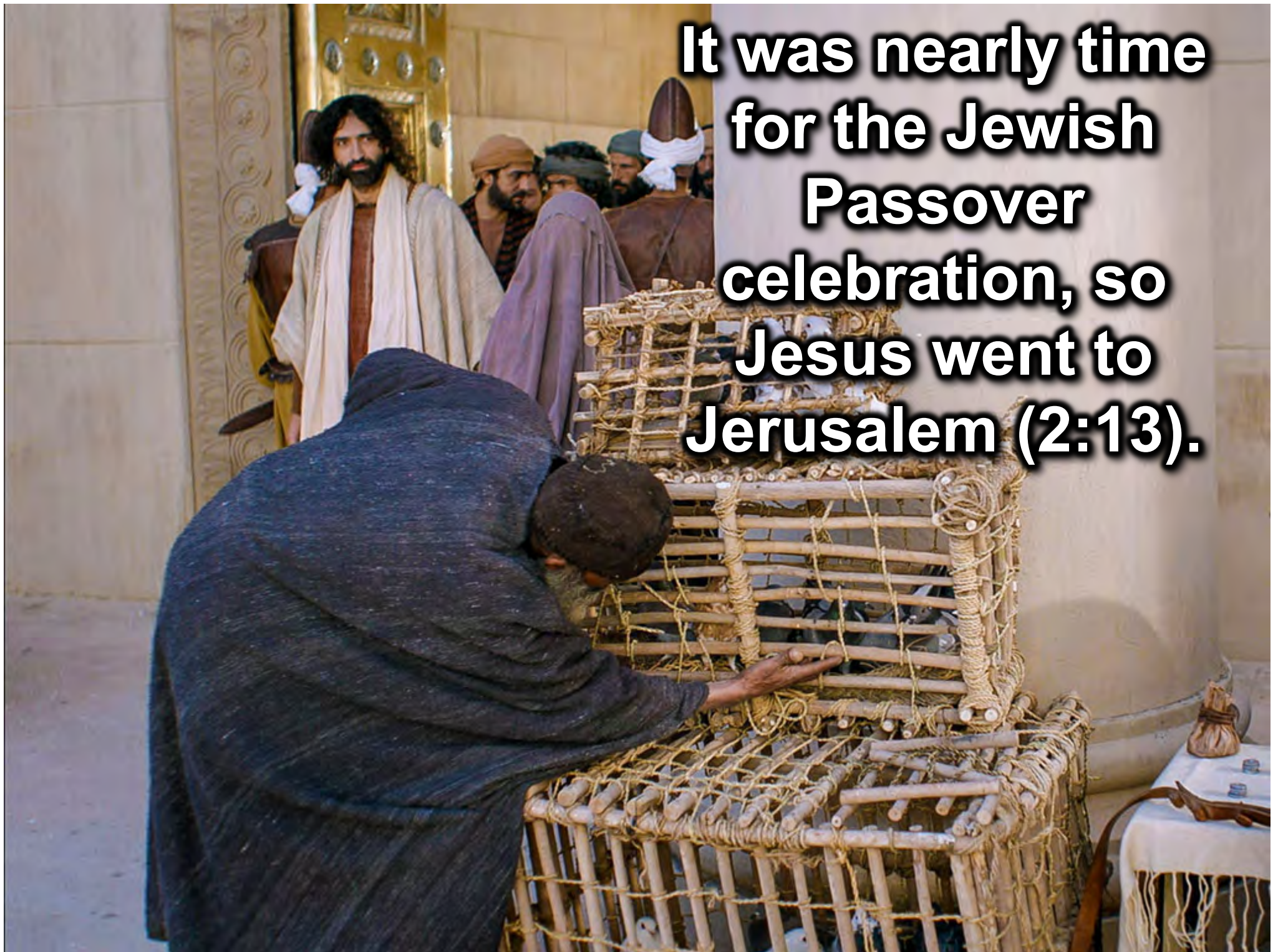
THE EASTER STORY

CLEANSING THE TEMPLE

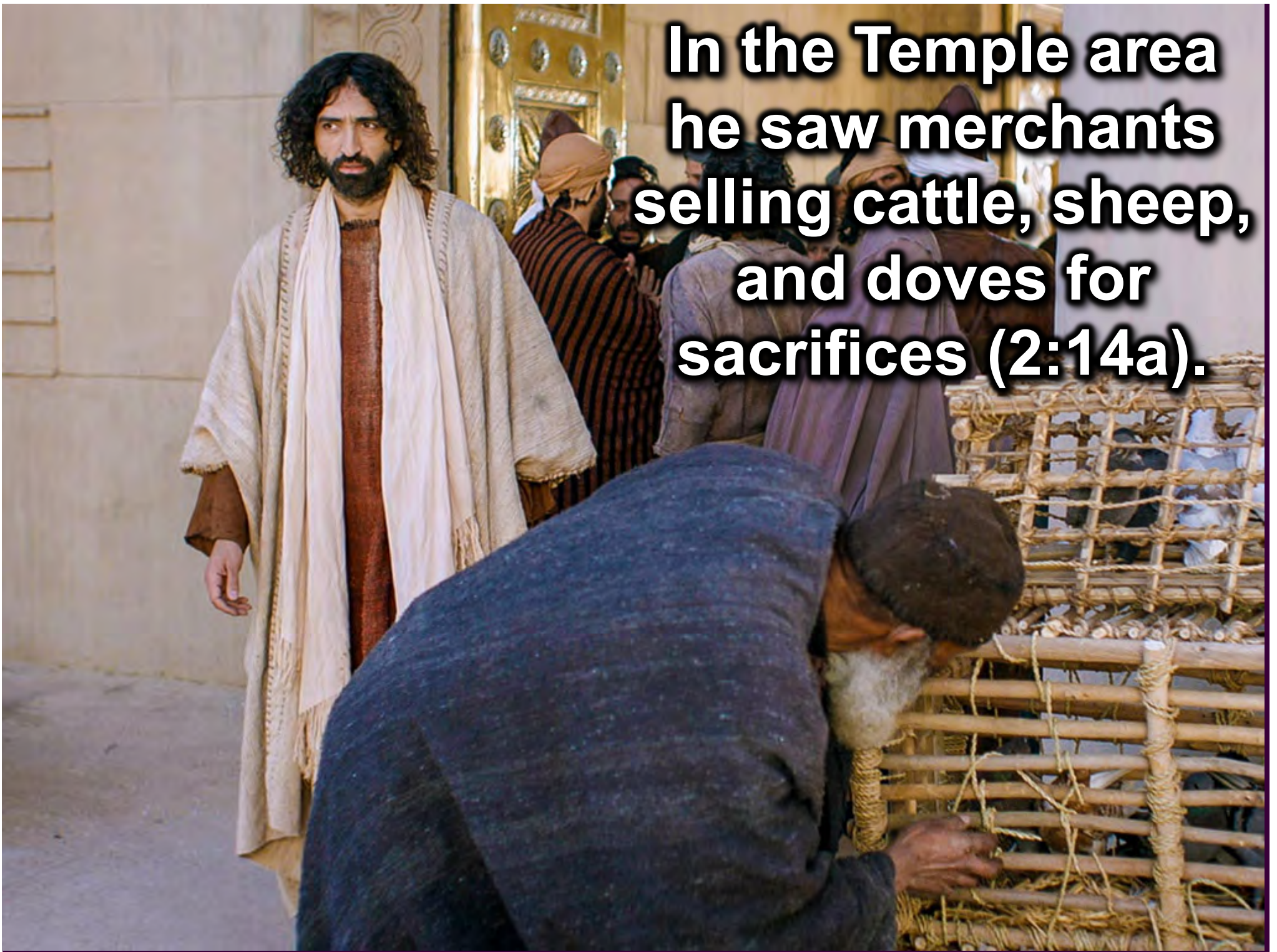


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**It was nearly time
for the Jewish
Passover
celebration, so
Jesus went to
Jerusalem (2:13).**



**In the Temple area
he saw merchants
selling cattle, sheep,
and doves for
sacrifices (2:14a).**

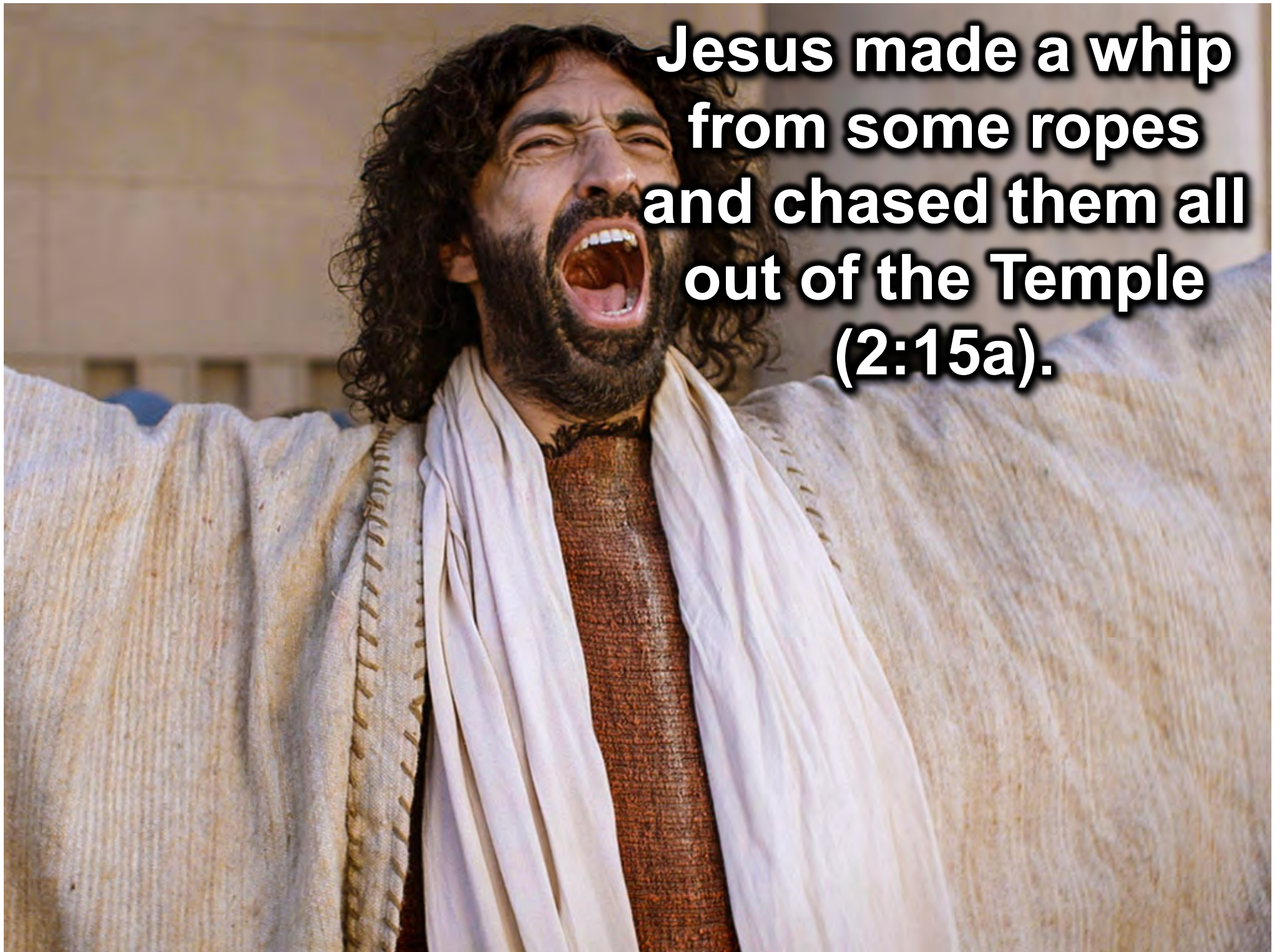


**He also saw dealers
at tables exchanging
foreign money.**

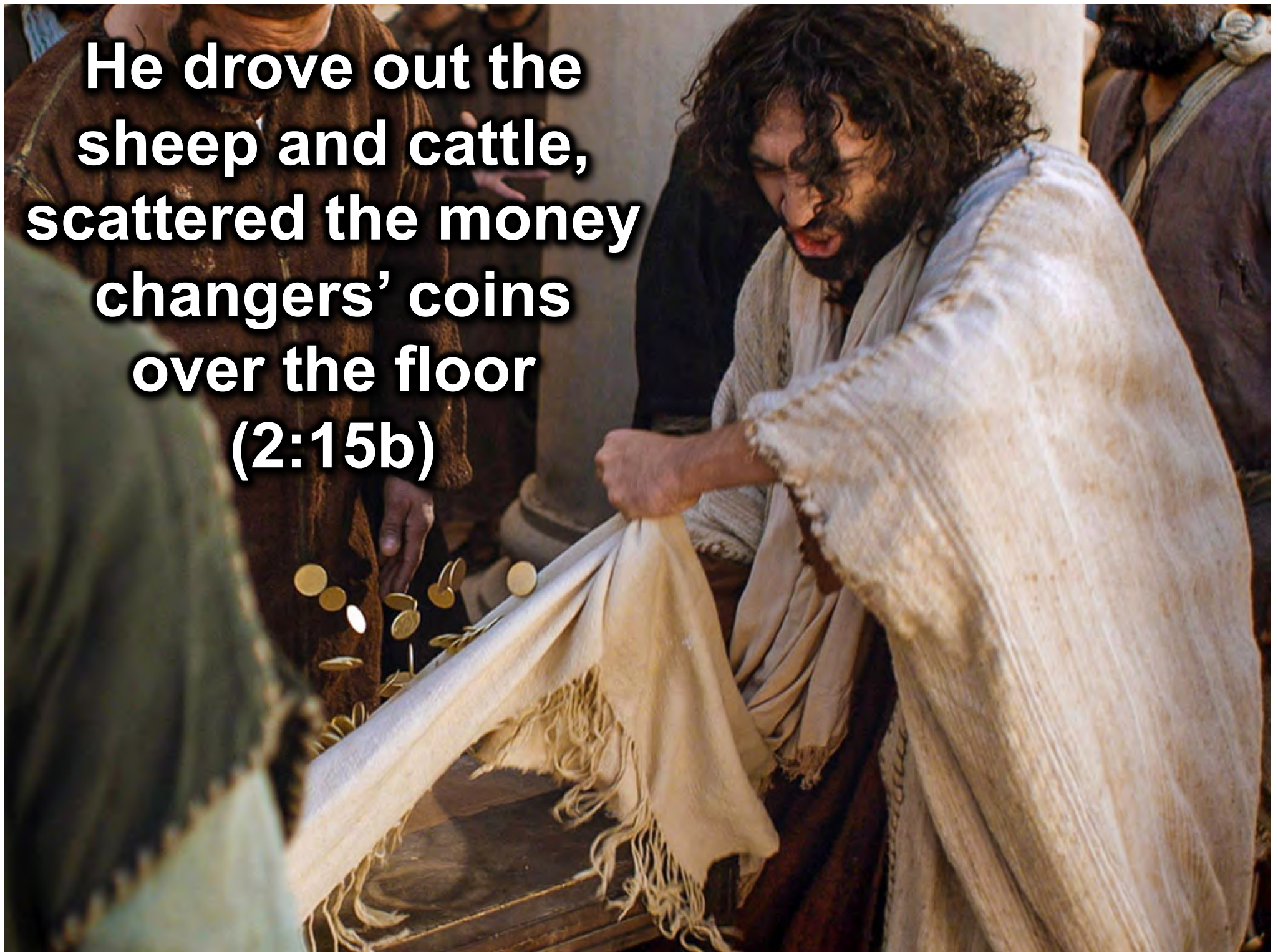




**Jesus made a whip
from some ropes
and chased them all
out of the Temple
(2:15a).**



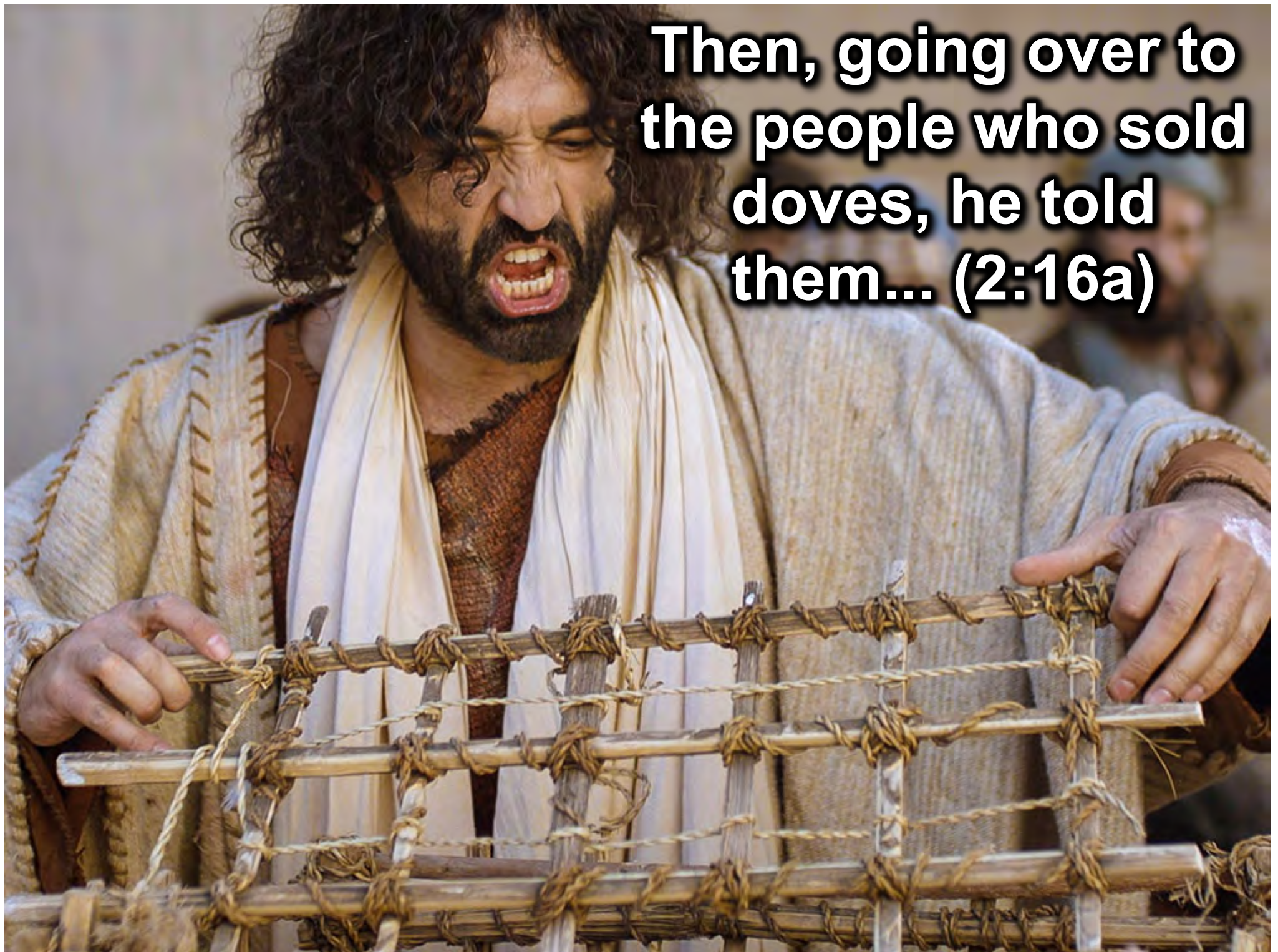
**He drove out the
sheep and cattle,
scattered the money
changers' coins
over the floor
(2:15b)**



**and turned over
their tables (2:15c).**

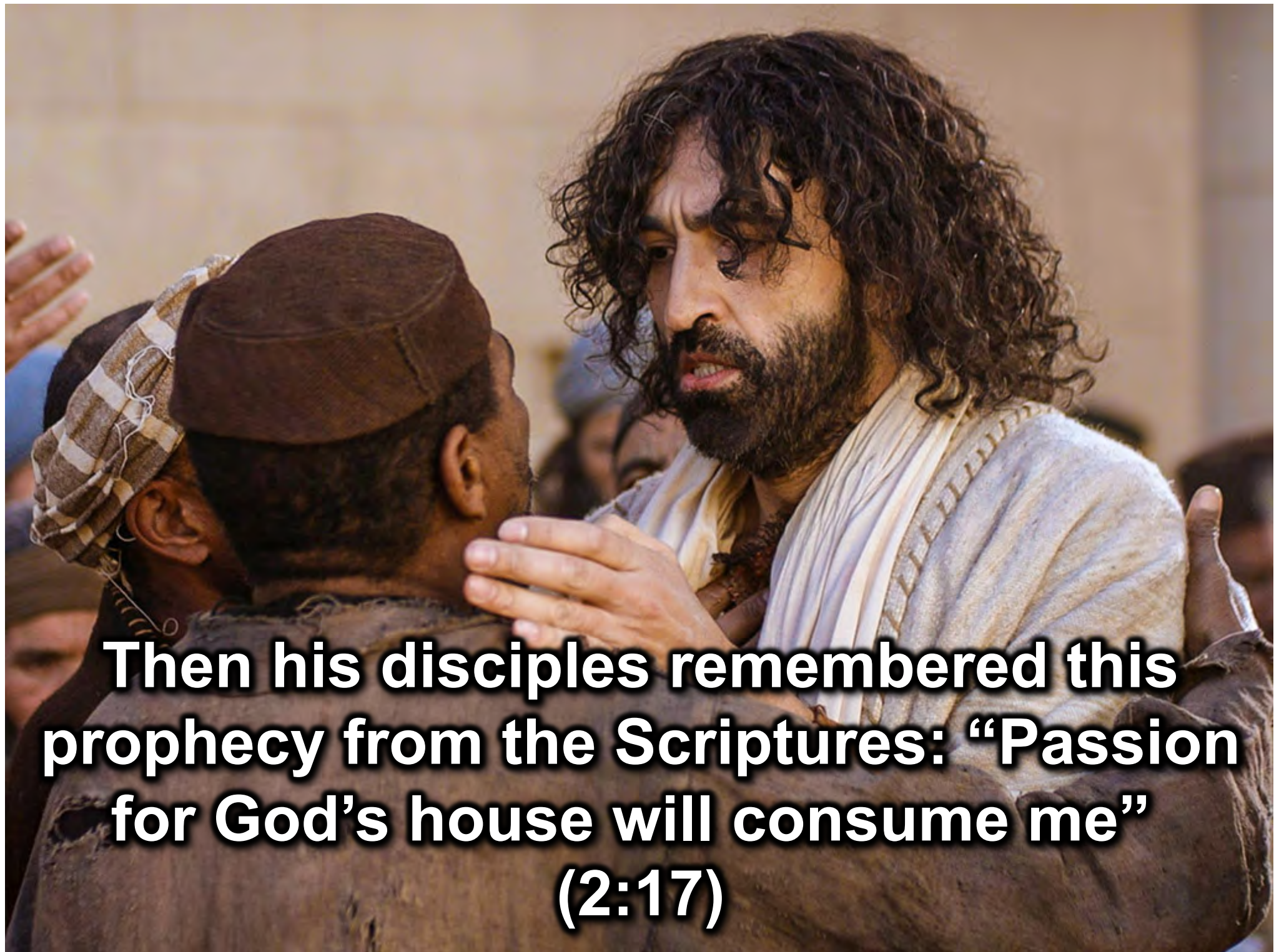


**Then, going over to
the people who sold
doves, he told
them... (2:16a)**



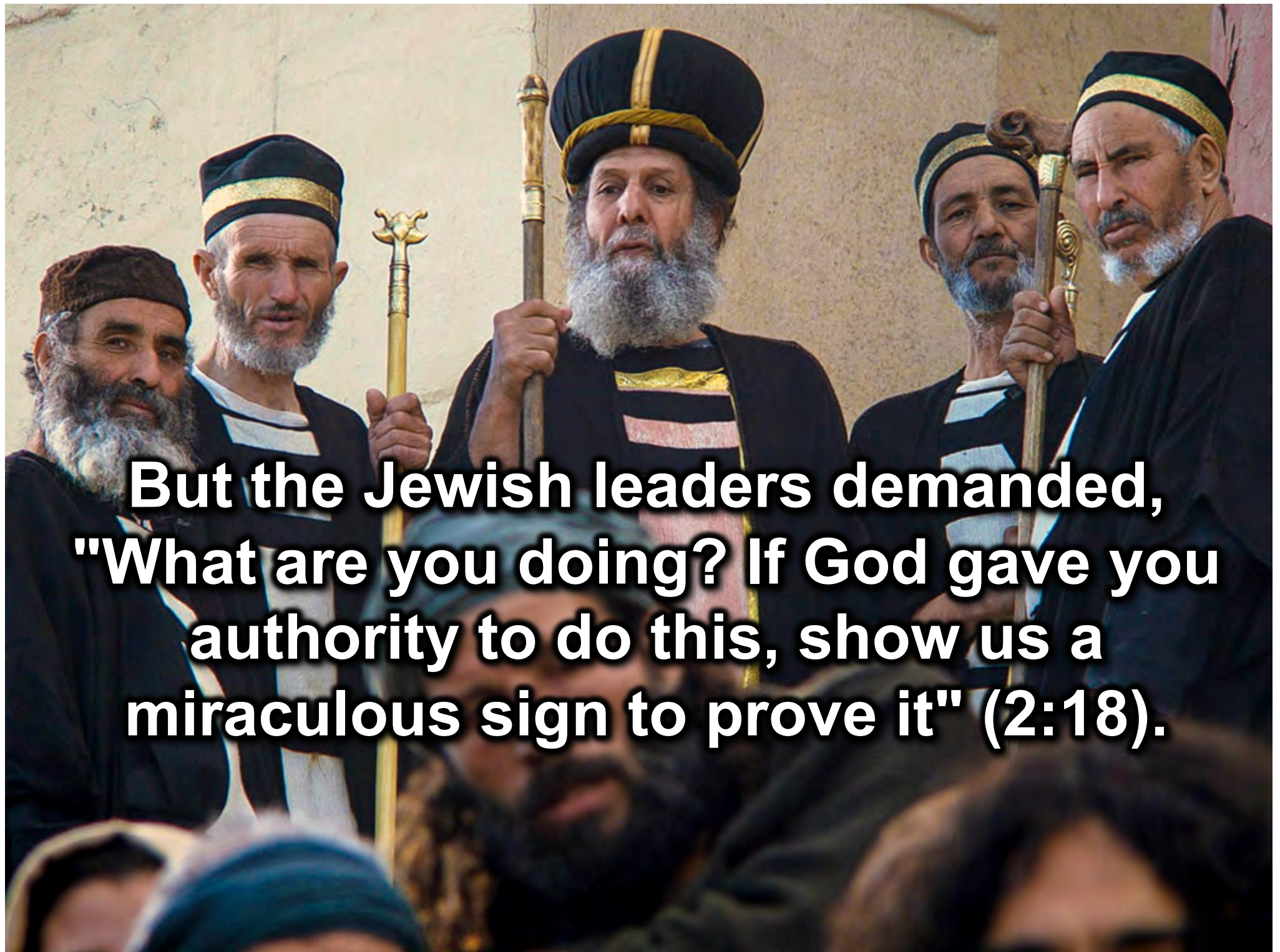
“Get these things out of here. Stop turning my Father’s house into a marketplace!” (2:16b)





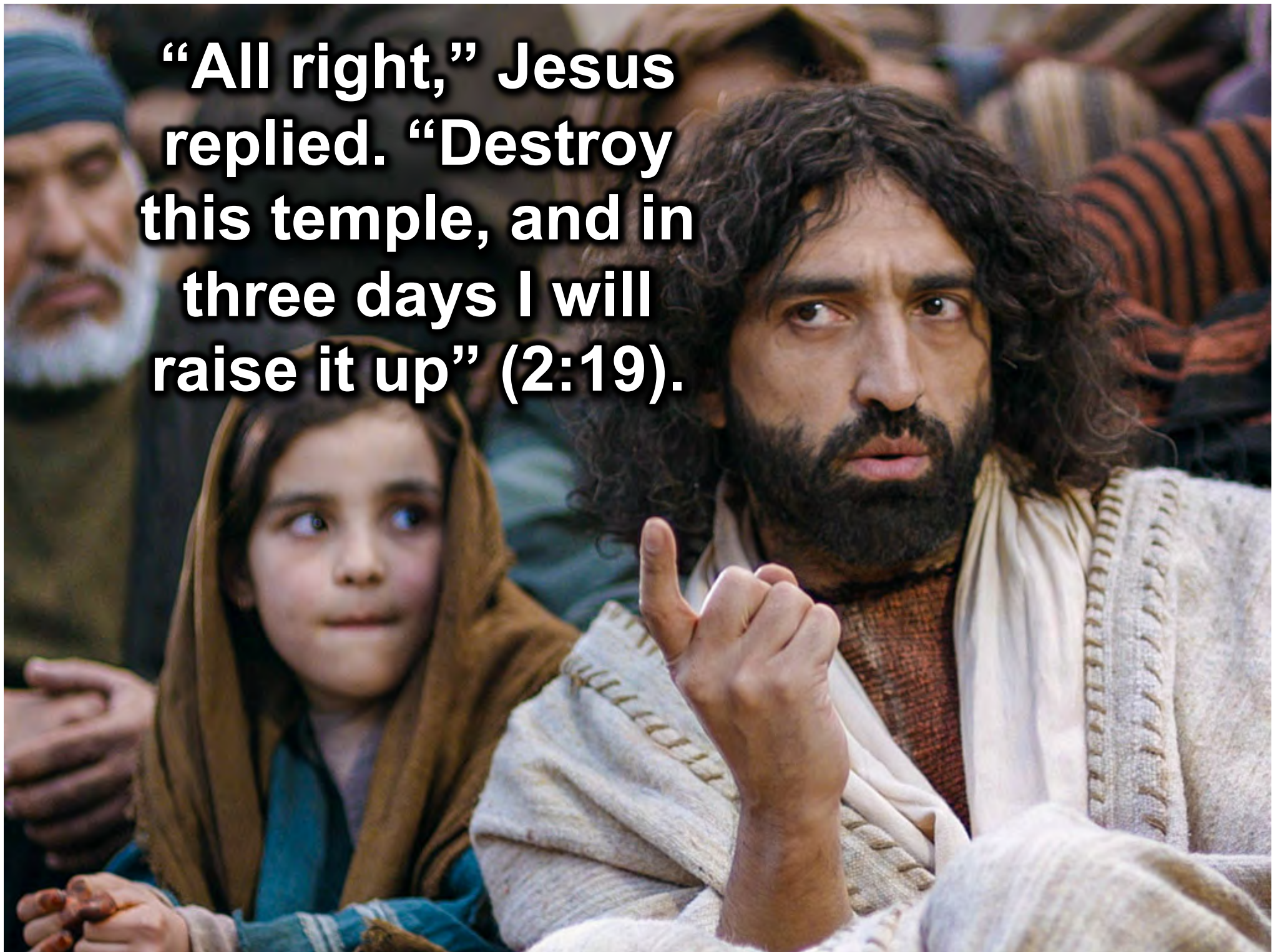
**Then his disciples remembered this
prophecy from the Scriptures: “Passion
for God’s house will consume me”
(2:17)**



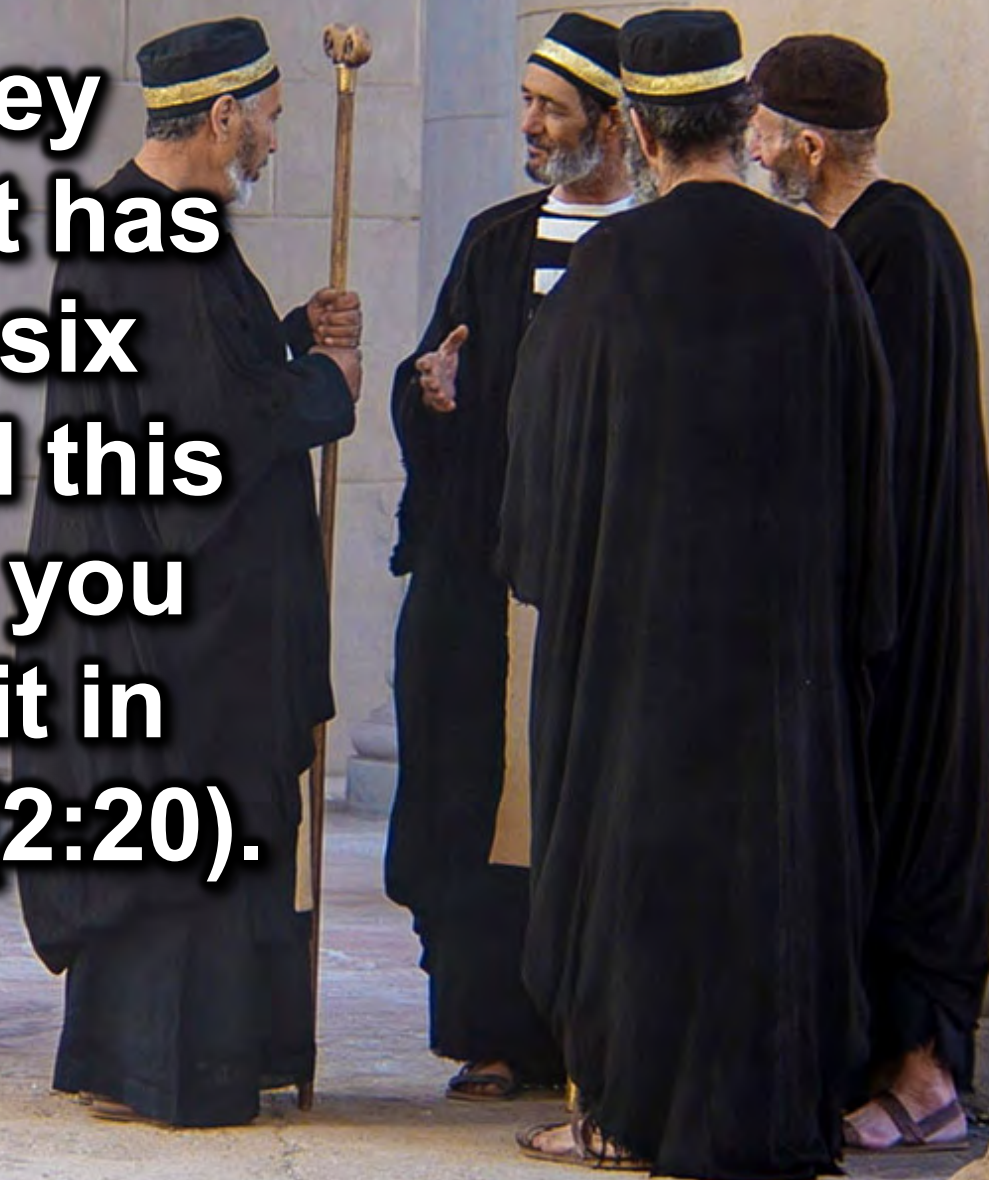


**But the Jewish leaders demanded,
"What are you doing? If God gave you
authority to do this, show us a
miraculous sign to prove it" (2:18).**

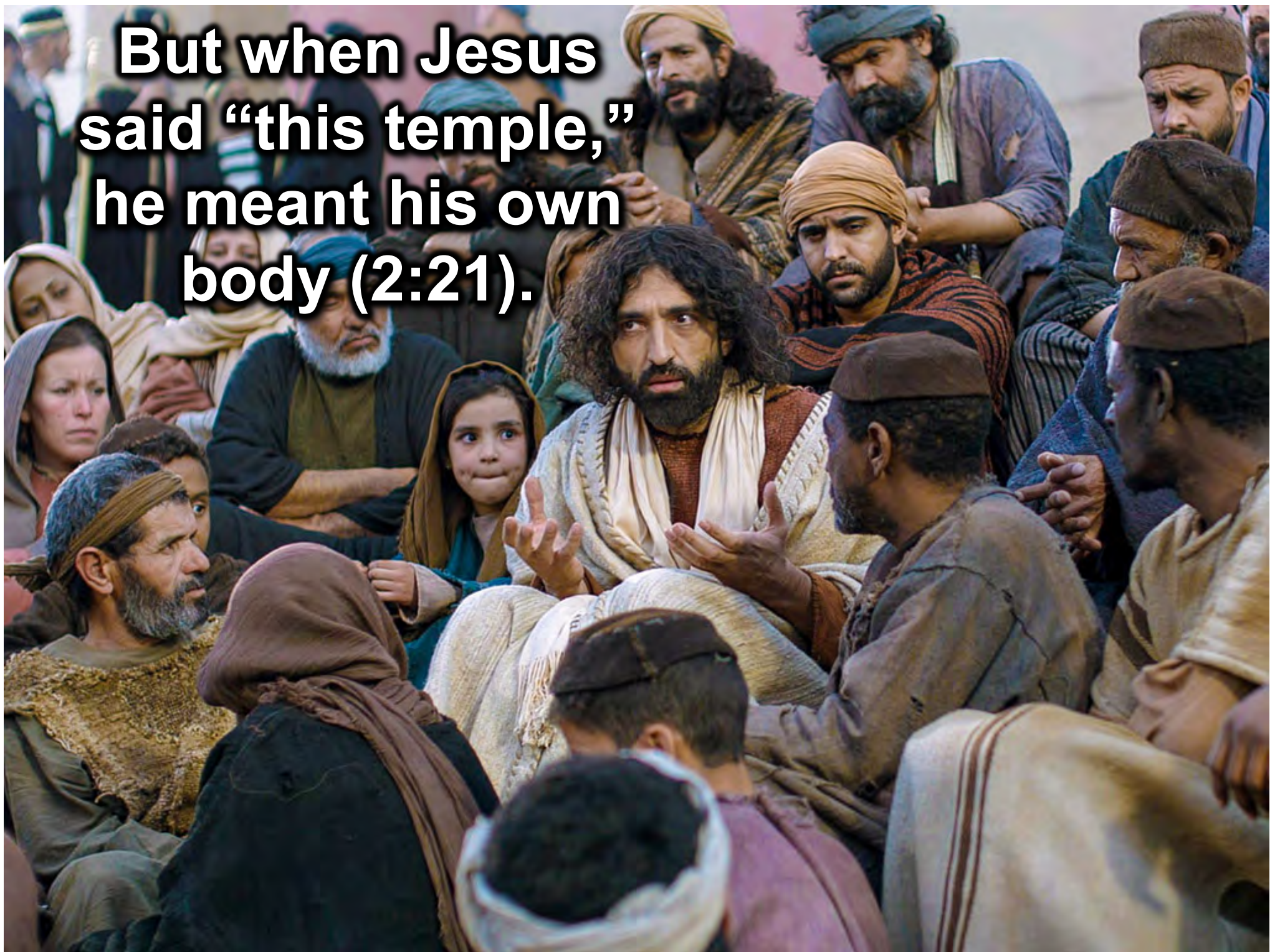
**“All right,” Jesus
replied. “Destroy
this temple, and in
three days I will
raise it up” (2:19).**

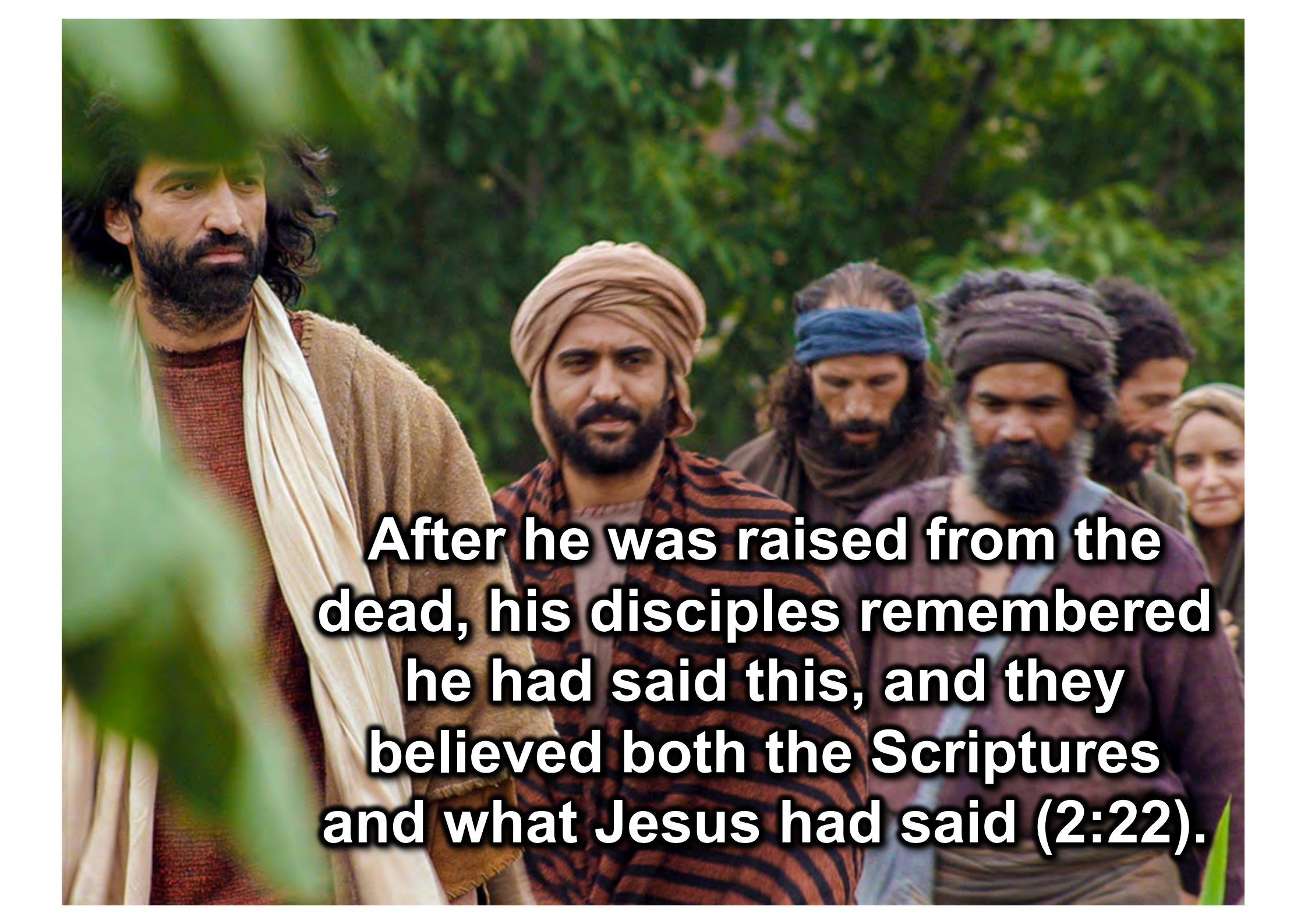


**“What!” they
exclaimed. “It has
taken forty-six
years to build this
Temple, and you
can rebuild it in
three days?” (2:20).**



**But when Jesus
said “this temple,”
he meant his own
body (2:21).**





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 (2:22).



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What else
does
“believe”
mean in
John’s
gospel?

Does
“believed”
mean
“believed”
?

Summary (John 2:23-25 NIV)

Now while he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many people saw the miraculous signs he was doing and believed in his name.

But Jesus would not entrust himself to them, for he knew all men. ²⁵He did not need man's testimony about man, for he knew what was in a man.

Belief in John 2:23-25

119a

Most scholars see “believe” here as false. Why is this wrong?

- ☐ This is the normal word for “believe” (cf. 1:12).
- ☐ Nowhere does the NT say that Jesus “commits himself” to all believers.
- ☐ This text actually tells us not to be a secret saint.

John 3

**"Jesus replied, 'I assure you,
no one can enter the Kingdom
of God without being born of
water and the Spirit.'"**

John 3:5

John 3:5 Interpretations

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Baptismal Regeneration

Cleansing Effect of the Word

Water as a Symbol of the Holy Spirit

Repentance Ministry of John

Physical Birth



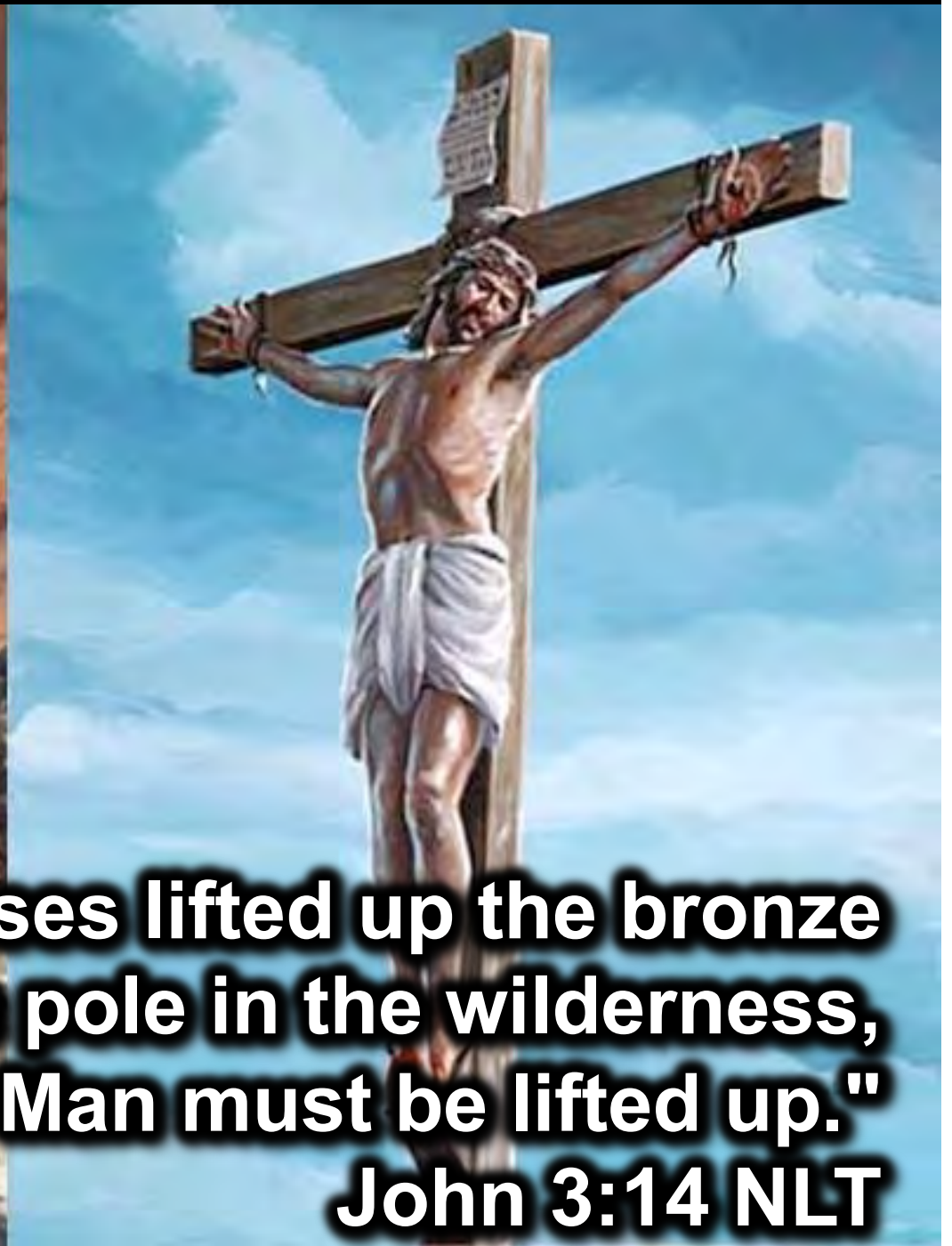
The Bronze Serpent

Numbers 21:8-9

The Bronze Serpent



Numbers 21:8-9



"And as Moses lifted up the bronze snake on a pole in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up."

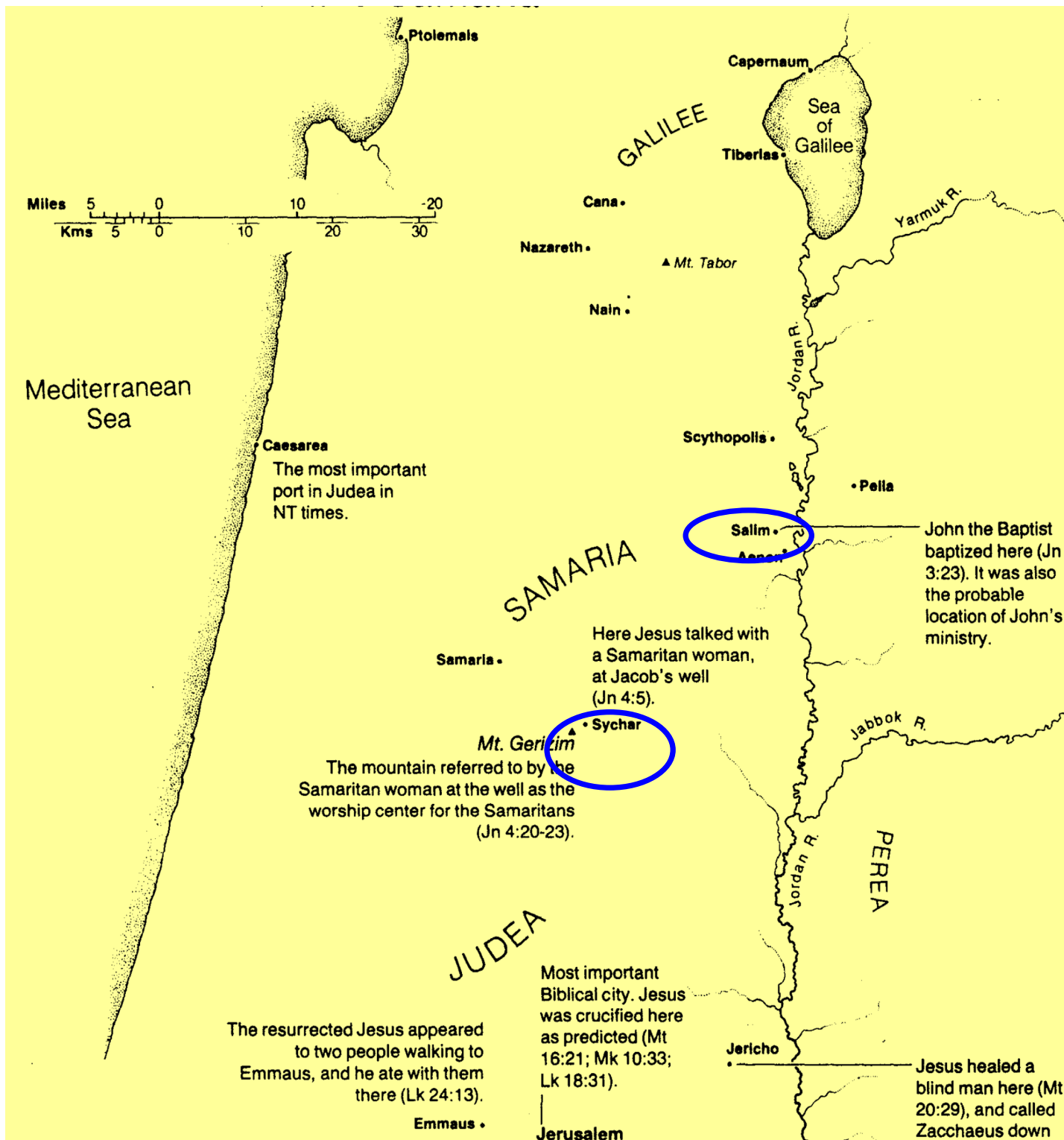
John 3:14 NLT

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"For God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life."

John 3:16 NLT

John 4



Jesus in Judea and Samaria

Racial Prejudice

1. Gentiles hated Jews
2. Jews hated Gentiles
3. Judean Jews hated Galilean Jews
4. Galilean Jews hated Judean Jews
5. Jews hated Samaritans
6. Does God allow interracial intermarriage?
7. Jesus ignored prejudices of the times

***Jesus took the
abnormal route...***

John 4:4

**"Now he had to go through
Samaria..."**

Purposely!

MATT. 3:1-4:12
MARK 1:4-14; 6:14-29
LUKE 3:1-23; 9:7-9
JOHN 1:6-8, 15-37; 3:22-24

- City
- City (uncertain location)
- ▲ Mountain peak
- ← Jesus' route to baptism

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Via Jordan Rift

Purposely!



Simon Dewey

A woman in traditional Samaritan attire, including a blue headscarf and a brown robe, is shown in a desert setting, leaning over a well to draw water. The background is a hazy, arid landscape under a clear sky.

John 4:1-42
**JESUS TALKS WITH A
SAMARITAN WOMAN**

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**What is meant in
John 4:1-26**

John 5



John 5:1-30
JESUS AND THE LAME MAN
AT THE POOL OF BETHESDA

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Outline of 1–17

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(1:1-18) John's **theological prologue** presents Christ as God made man to be man's light and life to introduce themes which recur later in his Gospel and to encourage belief in the following account.

(1:19–12:50) John affirms how Christ's **public revelation** of Himself as God through seven signs and eight discourses receives a mixed reaction to cause his readers to consider their own personal response to Christ as Savior.

(Chs. 13–17) John relates Christ's **private preparation** of His disciples for His death and their ministry to encourage his believing readers to serve others and fulfill God's purpose for them by dependence upon the Holy Spirit.

Outline of 13–21

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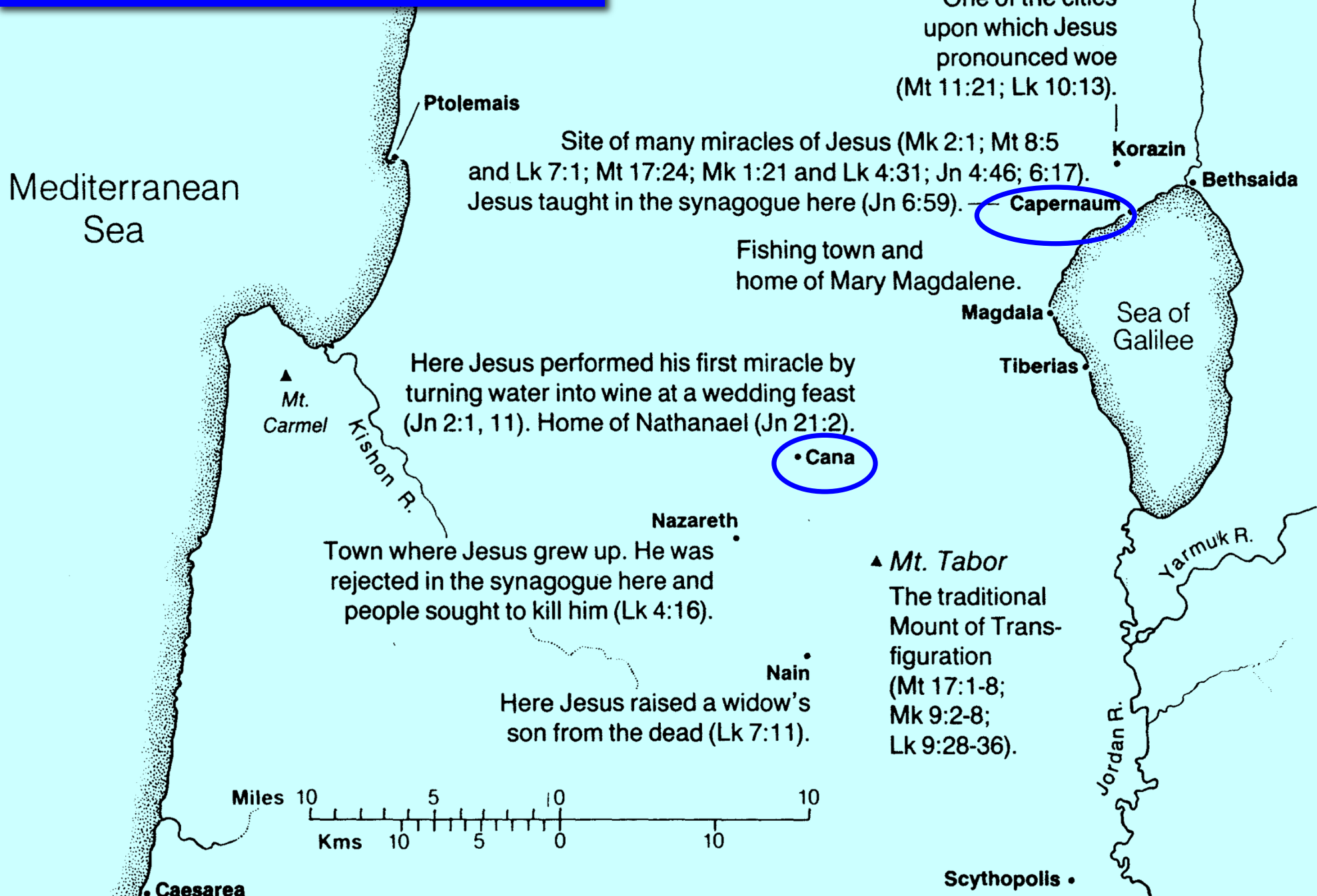
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(Chs. 18–20) John relates Christ's **public arrest, trials, death, burial, and victorious resurrection** to document His substitutionary death for the world as God so that all might believe in Him for eternal life.

(Ch. 21) Christ's final **miraculous appearance** at the Sea and reinstatement of Peter confirms His adequacy for them, teaches that success in ministry is an outgrowth of love, and subdues a rumor that John would never die.

Jesus in Galilee

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The Argument of John

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Prologue: Theological Introduction Previewing Themes in the Book (1:1-18)

Public: Signs and Discourses Presenting Christ as God to Israel (1:19–12:50)

Private: Discourse Preparing Disciples for Ministry and Christ's Death (chs. 13–17)

Public: Passion and Resurrection Proving Christ as Deity (chs. 18–20)

Epilogue (Private): Appearance at the Sea Presenting Disciples' Responsibilities (ch. 21)

The Significance of John's Seven Signs

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Sign	Eternal Life Teaching	Application
1. Changing water into wine at Cana (2:1-11)*	The joy of eternal life	If He can transform water, He can change me
2. Healing of official's son in Capernaum (4:46-54)*	The condition of eternal life (faith)	I am never too far away to be in His care
3. Healing the invalid at the Pool of Bethesda (5:1-18)*	The power to live the life	No limitation surpasses His authority
4. Feeding the 5000 near the Sea of Galilee (6:16-21)	The food for eternal life	Jesus can meet our deepest needs
5. Walking on water in the Sea of Galilee (6:5-14)	Guidance for eternal life	Jesus is Lord of life's storms
6. Healing the man born blind (9:1-7)*	Light for eternal life	Jesus offers spiritual and physical sight to the willing
7. Raising Lazarus from the dead in Bethany (11:1-45)*	Victory of life over death	Jesus Christ is Lord of life and death



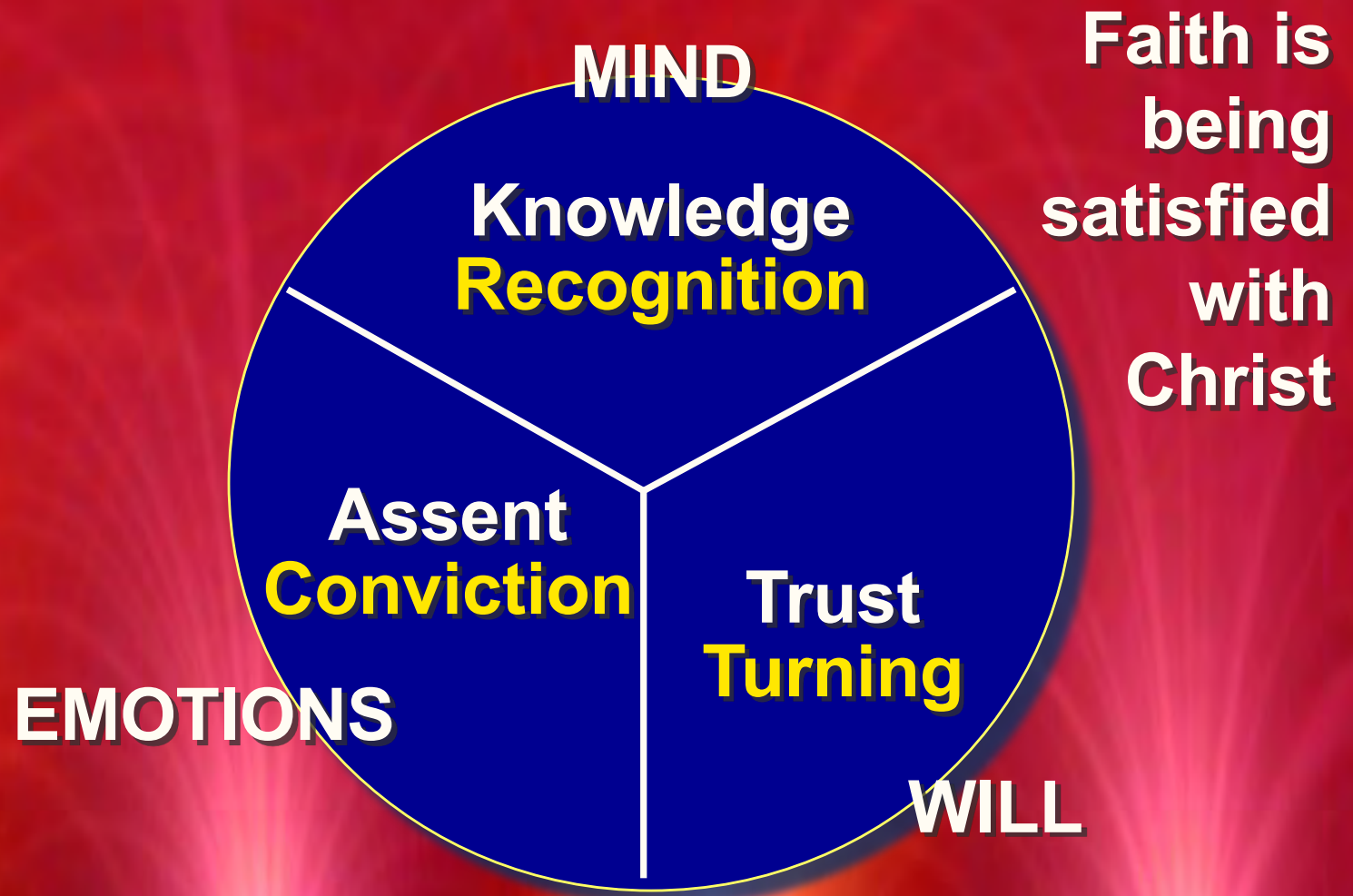
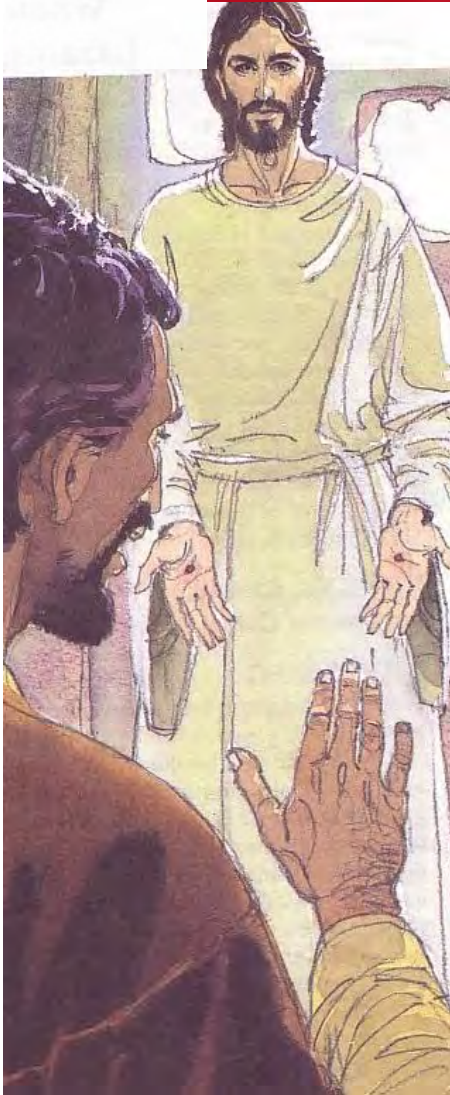
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* The asterisks indicate signs unique to John's gospel.

What is "Belief" in Christ?

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Faith + Repentance = Conversion





**“I tell you the truth, those who listen to my message and believe in God who sent me have eternal life. They will never be condemned for their sins, but they have already passed from death into life”
(John 5:24 NLT)**

John 6



JESUS FEEDS 5000

Matthew 14:13-22

Mark 6:31-46

Luke 9:10-17

John 6:1-13



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Can Jesus Prove It?

JOHN 6



Who wants to live for ever? A scientific breakthrough could mean humans live for hundreds of years **DNA Breakthrough!**

By tweaking our DNA, we could soon survive for hundreds of years – if we want to. Steve Connor reports on a breakthrough that has the science world divided

Wednesday, 23 January 2008

A genetically engineered organism that lives 10 times longer than normal has been created by scientists in California. It is the greatest extension of longevity yet achieved by researchers investigating the scientific nature of ageing.

If this work could ever be translated into humans, it would mean that we might one day see people living for 800 years. But is this ever going to be a realistic possibility?

Valter Longo is one of the small but influential group of specialists in this area who believes that an 800-year life isn't just possible, it is inevitable. It was his work at the University of Southern California that led to the creation of a strain of yeast fungus that can live for 10 weeks or more, instead of dying at its usual maximum age of just one week.

Born in 1875, Jeanne Calment died in 1997 aged 122 years and 164 days



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How to Live Forever

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... extend your life indefinitely. You just have to know how!

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Well you may ask what's in it for you?

You will have the opportunity to understand how to achieve living forever. Even if you don't want to live forever at least you will have the choice to do it. Understanding the creation of the universe and human behaviour will enable you to successfully work in all areas of your life. Not only will you have the advantage of the first one to know, but also of teaching others and make a living from it. No need for super-human brains because we all have the capacity to improve and become a high intelligent being - our design guarantees it.

You'll understand why people are the way they are

An Astonishing Claim!

“I tell you the truth, those who listen to my message and believe in God who sent me **have eternal life. They will never be condemned for their sins, but they have already passed from death into life”**

— John 5:24

Believe It or Not!

How do we
know Jesus
can give
eternal life?



JOHN 6

3 MOVEMENTS:

Showing his Authority (John 6:1-21)

The Bread of Life (John 6:22-59)

Disciples desert Jesus (John 6:60-71)



I. Jesus showed His authority over Moses and creation (6:1-21).



1-15



16-21

Feeding the 5000



1-15

The Setting



Near Sea of Galilee



A huge crowd in a remote place



Where shall we buy
bread for these
people to eat?



8 months' wages would
not buy enough bread for
each one to have a bite!!



“There’s a young boy
here with five barley
loaves and two fish. But
what good is that with
this huge crowd?”

**Andrew being
helpful**



Tell everyone to sit down.



Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks...



Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks,
and distributed to those who were seated
as much as they wanted...



Bread Multiplied!

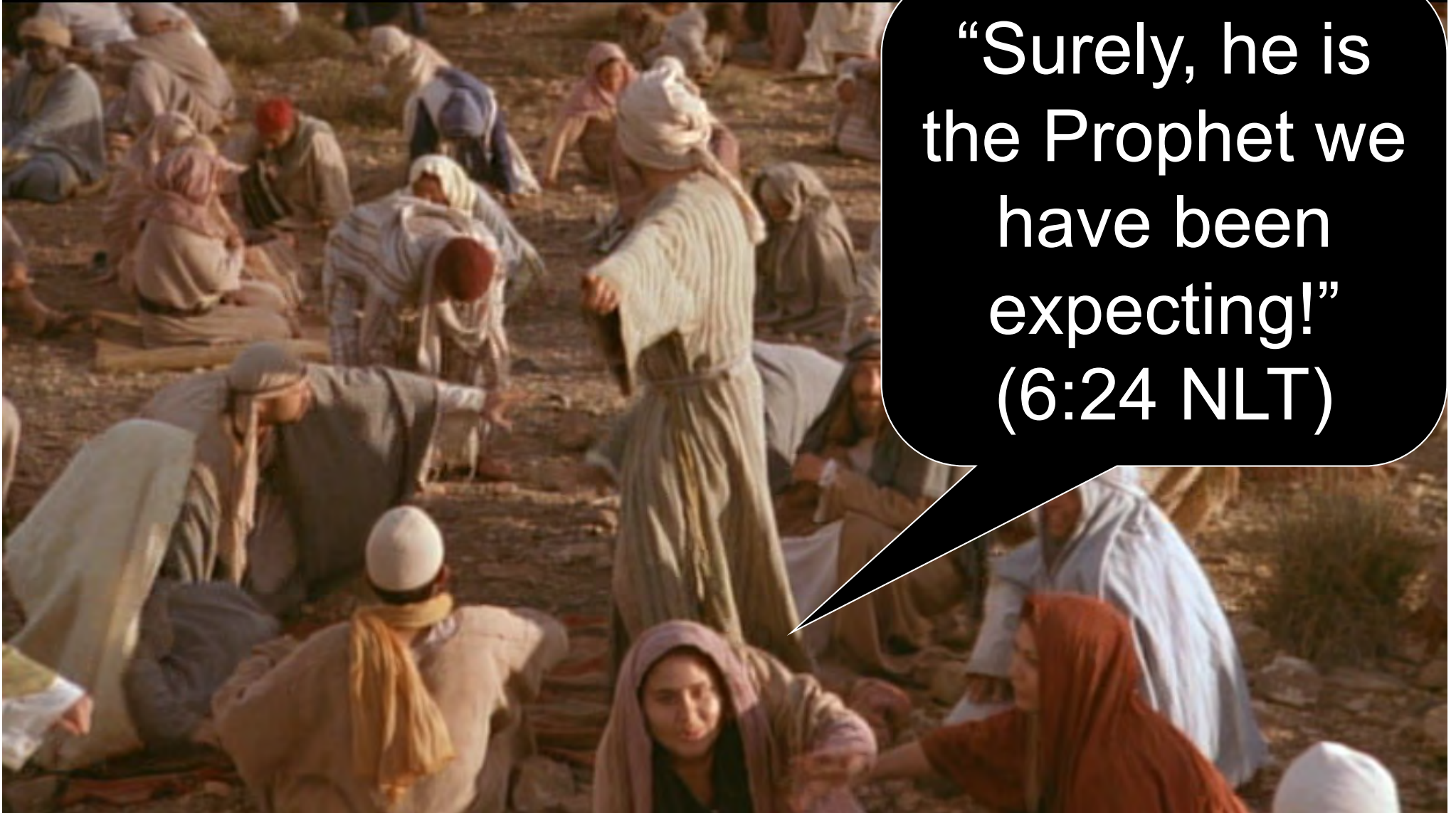


What's the Point?
The crowd is the key!

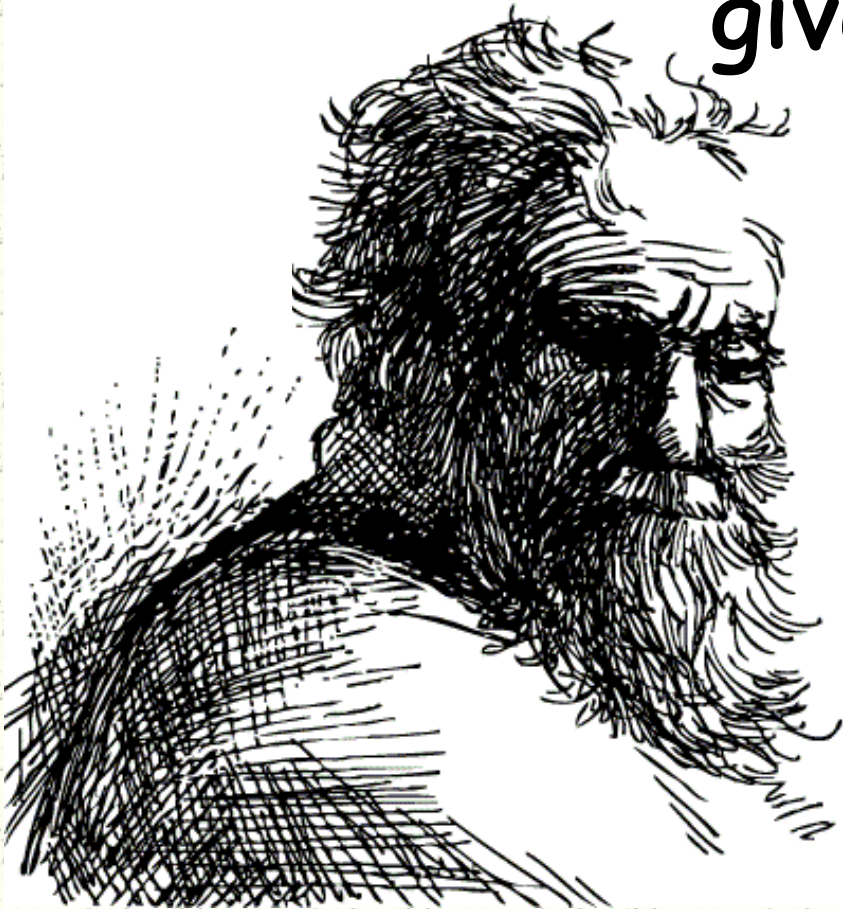


**When the people saw him do this
miraculous sign, they exclaimed,**

**“Surely, he is
the Prophet we
have been
expecting!”
(6:24 NLT)**



Prophecy of a Prophet given through Moses (Deut. 18:15)



“I will raise up a Prophet like you from among their fellow Israelites. I will put my words in his mouth, and he will tell the people everything I command him.”

Signs in John's Gospel

Signs unique to John's Gospel in yellow (6 of the 9 miracles)

**WATER
TO WINE**
2:1-11

**HEALING
OFFICIAL'S
SON**
4:46-54

**HEALING
PARALYTIC**
5:1-18

**FEEDING
5000**
6:1-15

**WALKING
ON WATER**
6:16-24

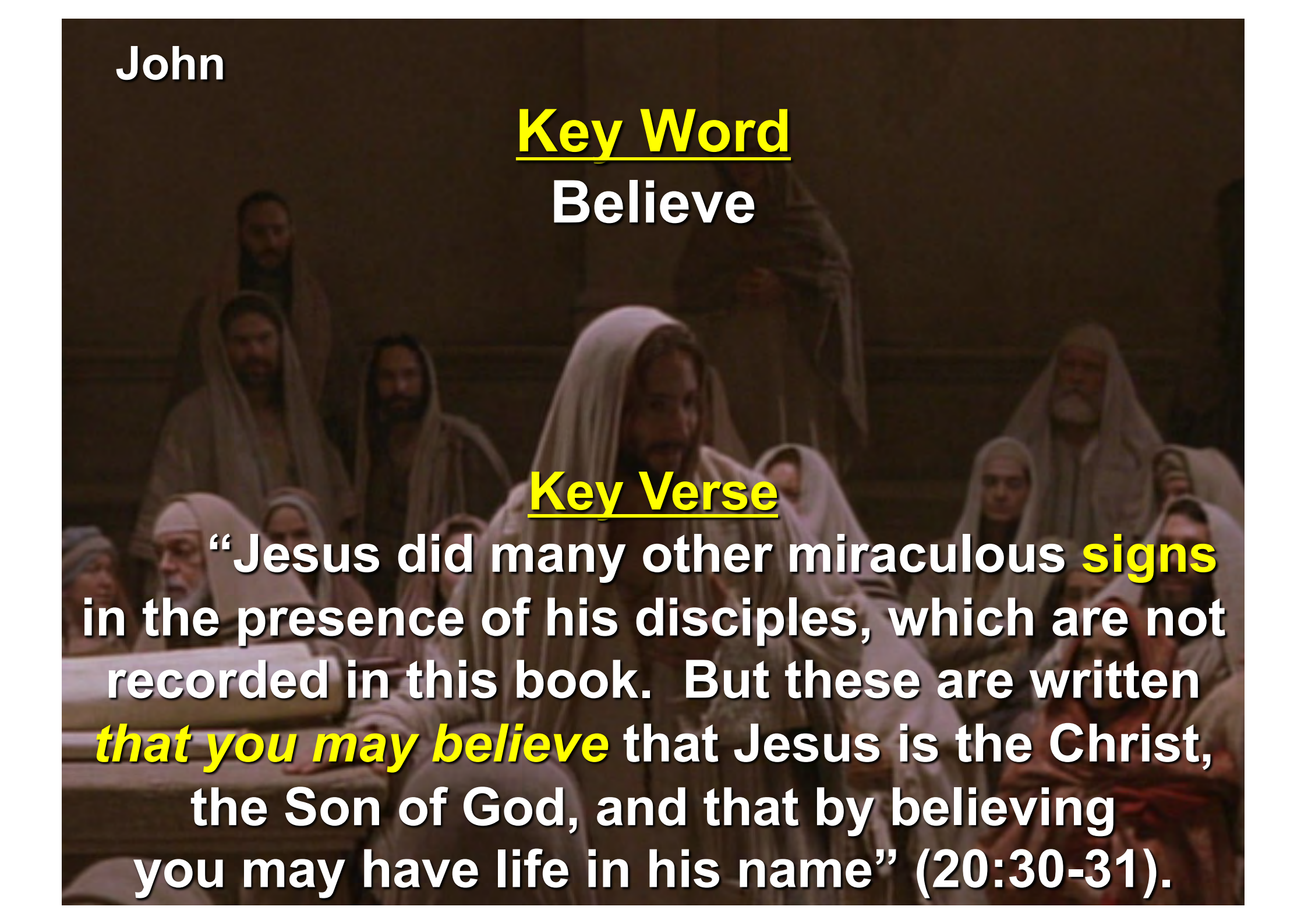
**HEALING
BLIND MAN**
9:1-7

**RAISING
LAZARUS**
11:1-45

**CHRIST'S
RESURRECTION**
20:1-31

**FISH
CATCH**
21:1-3



A group of people, likely Jesus and his disciples, are shown in a line, wearing white robes. They are standing in front of a dark, textured background. The image is used as a background for the text.

John

Key Word

Believe

Key Verse

“Jesus did many other miraculous **signs** in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written **that you may believe** that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name” (20:30-31).



What's the Point?

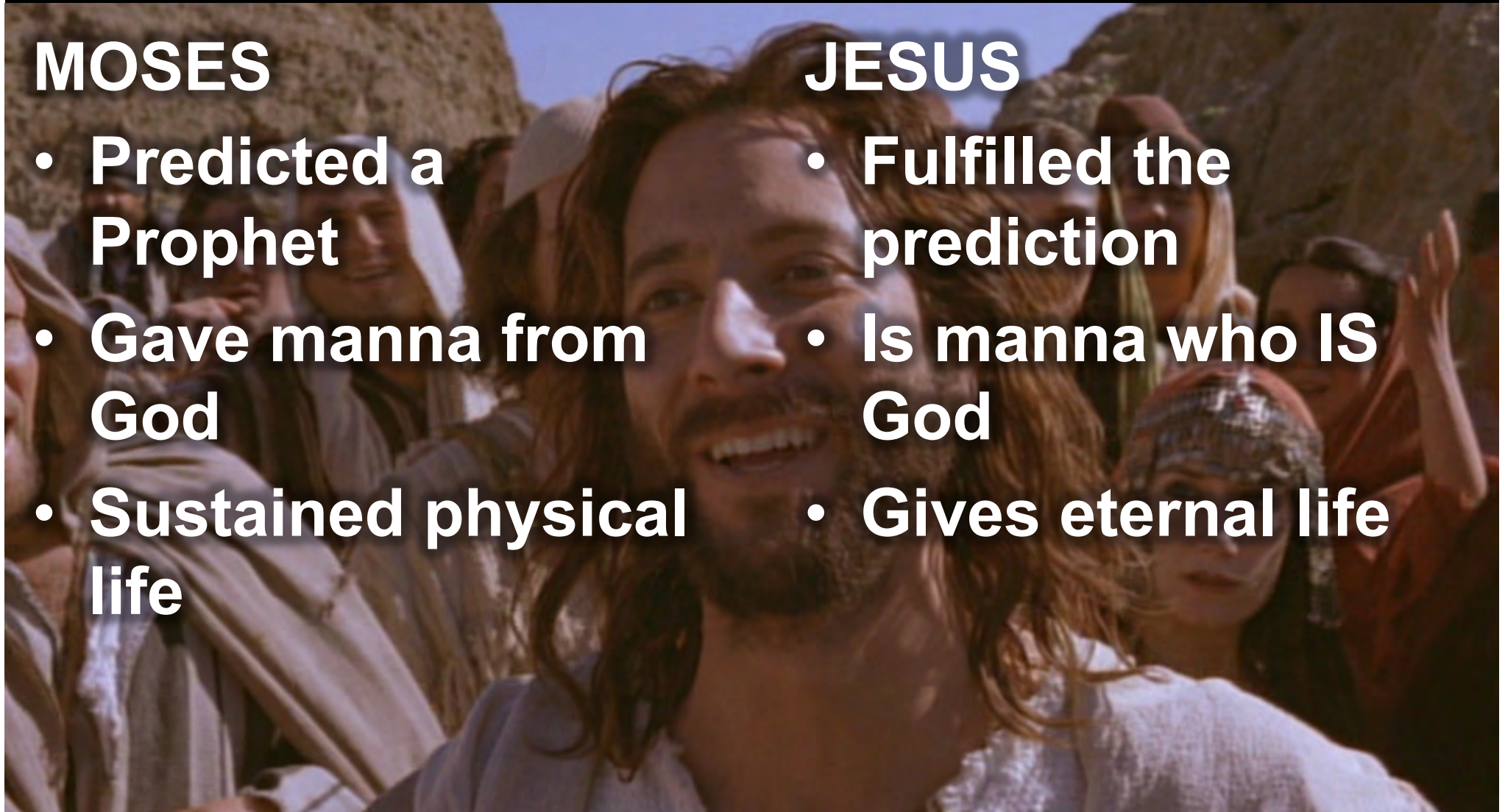
- Jesus is the New Moses!
- Jesus is even better than Moses!

MOSES

- Predicted a Prophet
- Gave manna from God
- Sustained physical life

JESUS

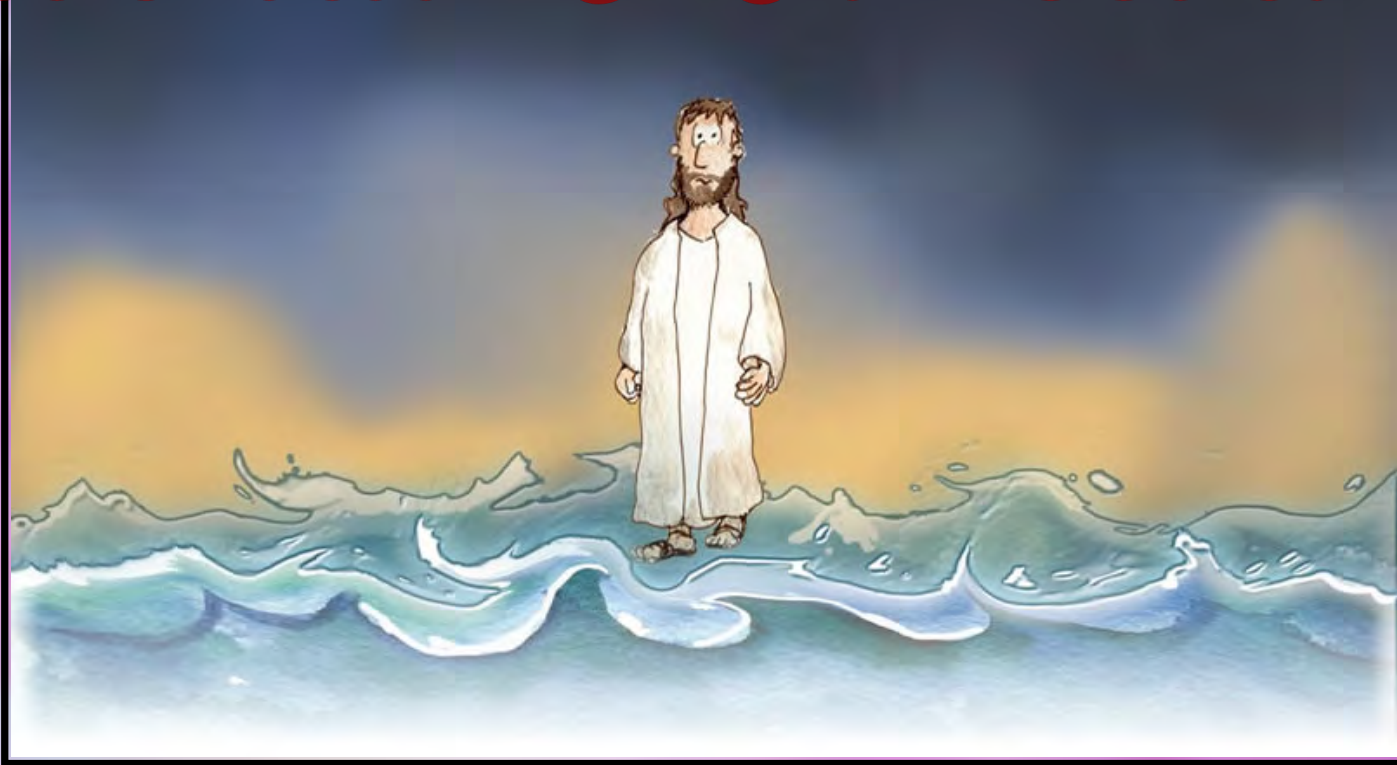
- Fulfilled the prediction
- Is manna who IS God
- Gives eternal life



Jesus proved
himself
**greater than
Moses as the
giver of
eternal life** by
miraculously
*feeding 5000
Jews (6:1-15).*



WALKING ON WATER



16-21

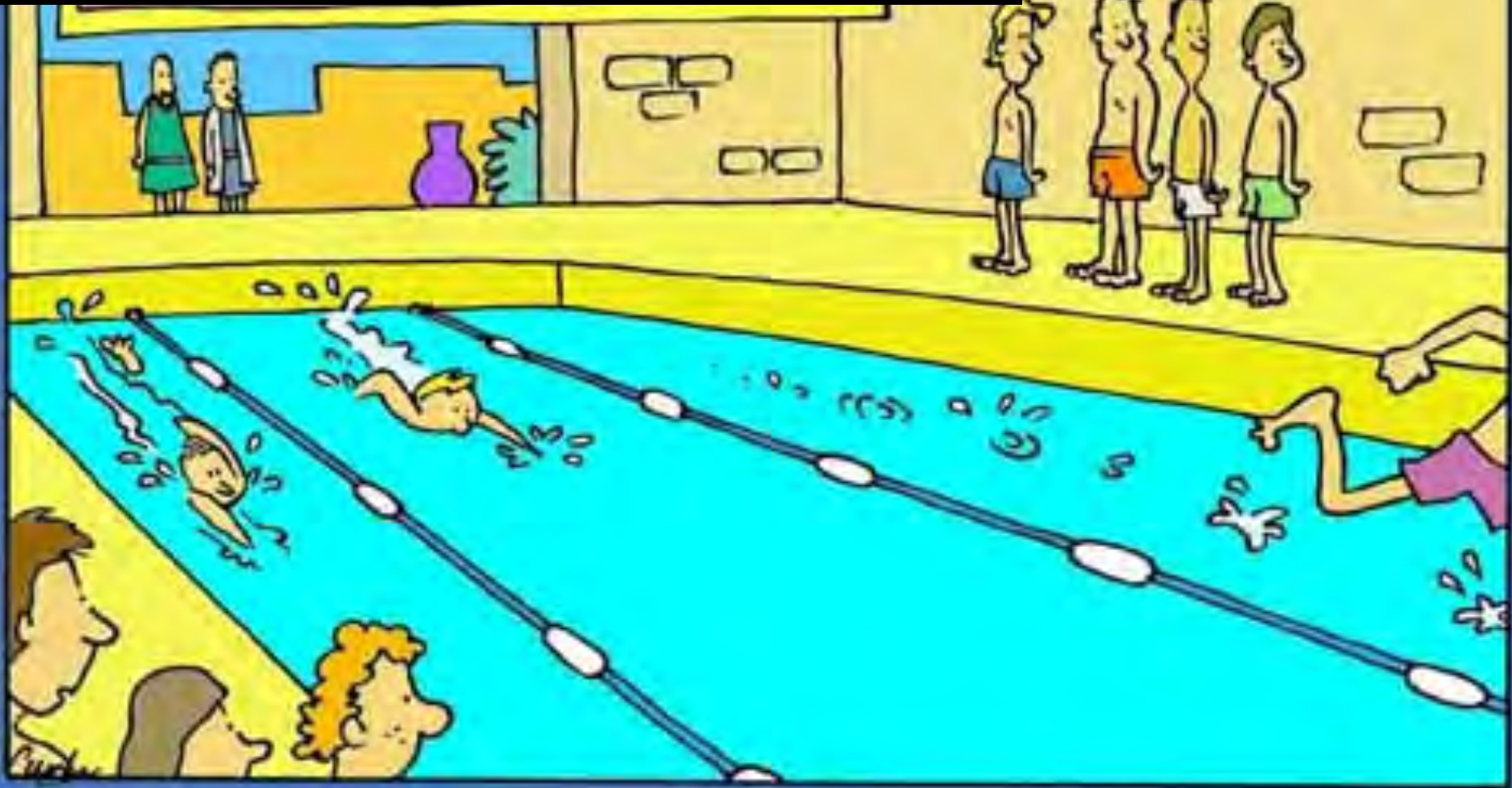
Moses Parting the Sea



Jesus Walked on the Sea



**ALTHOUGH LATER DISQUALIFIED,
JESUS IS SPECTACULAR IN WINNING
HIS FIRST SCHOOL SWIM RACE.**



Jesus: “Don’t be afraid! **It is I**” (6:20)



KJV

NAS

NCV

NET

NIV

NKJV

NRSV

“Don’t be afraid! I am here” (6:20)

NLT



“Don’t be afraid! I Am!” (6:20)

Greek:
ἐγώ εἰμί



JOHN'S "I AM" STATEMENTS

1. "I am the Messiah" (4:26)
2. "Don't be afraid. I am!" (6:20)
3. "I am the bread of life" (6:35)
4. "I am the light of the world" (8:12)
5. "Before Abraham was, I am" (8:58)
6. "I am the door [of the sheep]" (10:7)
7. "I am the good shepherd" (10:11, 14)
8. "I am the resurrection and the life" (11:25)
9. "I am the way, the truth, and the life" (14:6)
10. "I am the true vine" (15:1)



The Burning Bush

Exodus 3:1-4:17

EXCUSES

1. Who

God replied to Moses, **"I Am Who I Am."**
Say this to the people of Israel: **I Am**
has sent me to you"
(Exodus 3:14 NLT).

4. (4:10)

5. I don't want to get involved (4:13)

I. Jesus showed His authority over Moses and creation (6:1-21).



1-15



16-21

II. Jesus satisfies our spiritual hunger by giving us eternal life (6:22-59).



Two Foods

**Unlike food that spoils,
Jesus gives eternal life (6:22-27).**





Jesus answered, “I tell you the truth, you are looking for me, not because you saw miraculous signs but because you ate the loaves and had your fill” (John 6:26)

Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you.



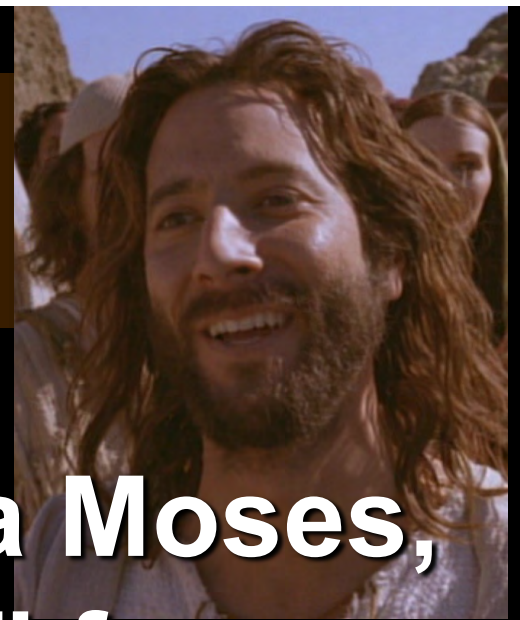


Two Works

**Unlike human effort,
Jesus enables us to do
God's work by believing
in Him (6:28-29).**

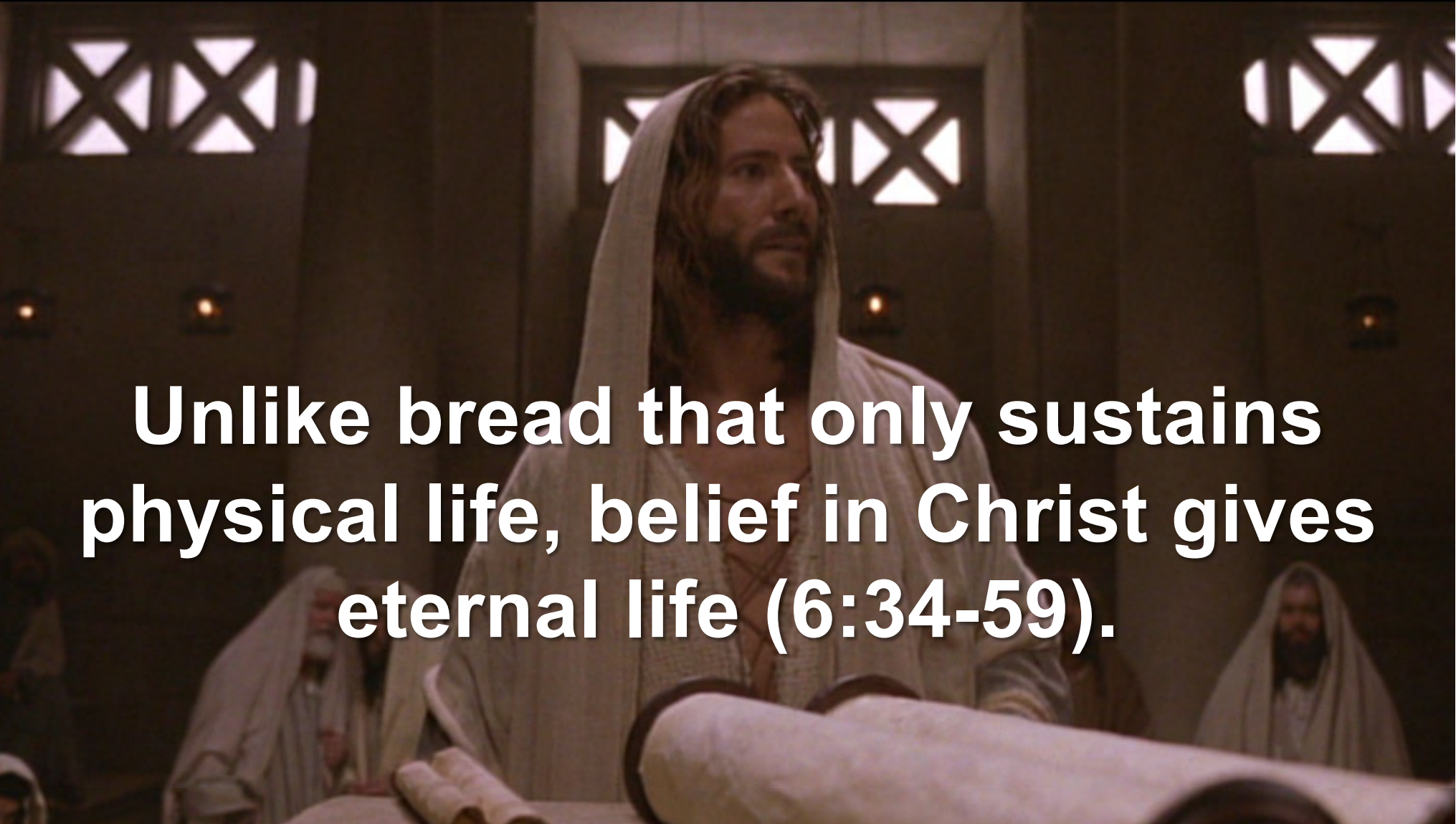


Two Breads



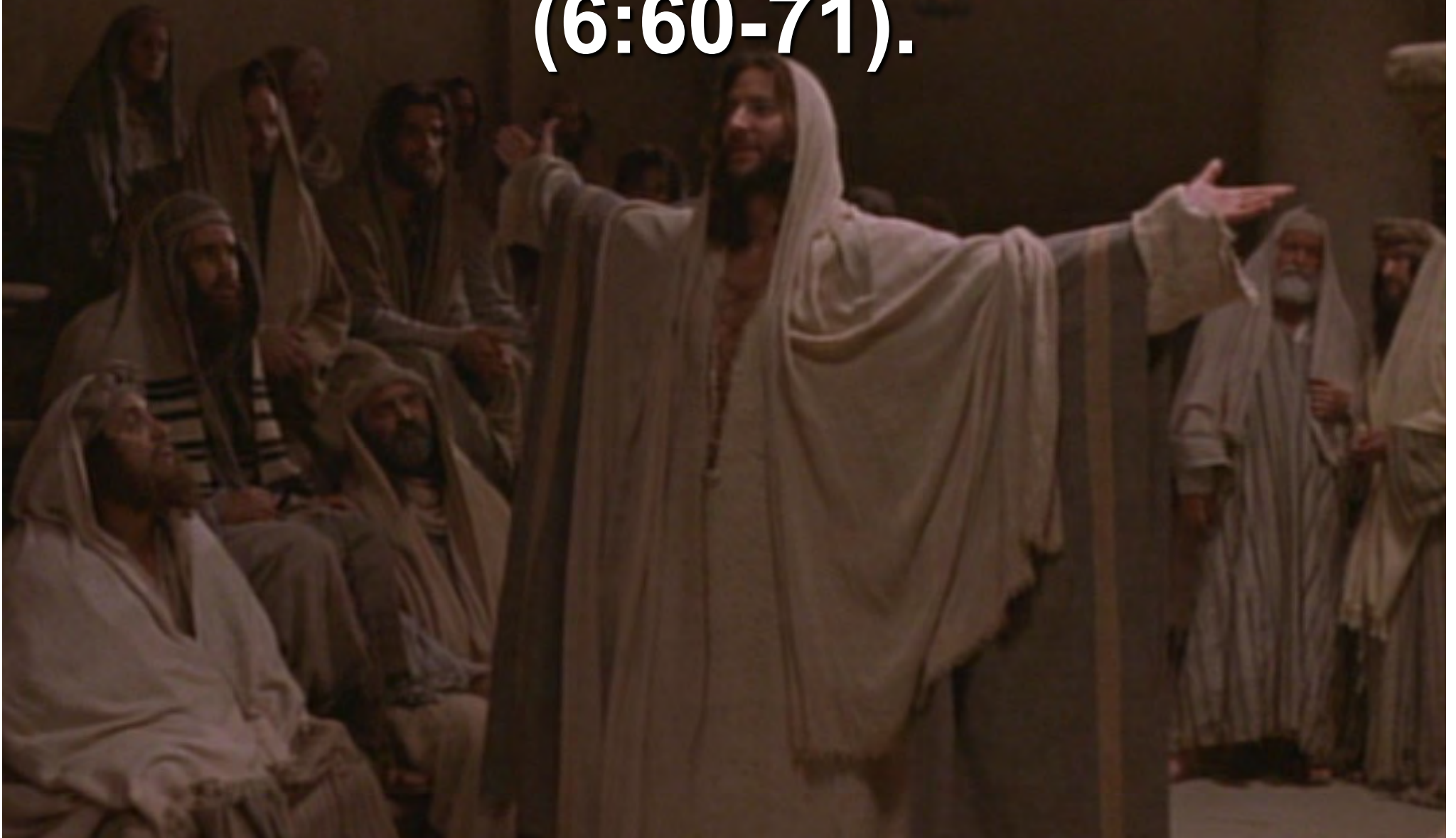
**Unlike manna God gave via Moses,
Jesus is the true “Bread” from
heaven that gives eternal life
(6:30-33).**

Two Results

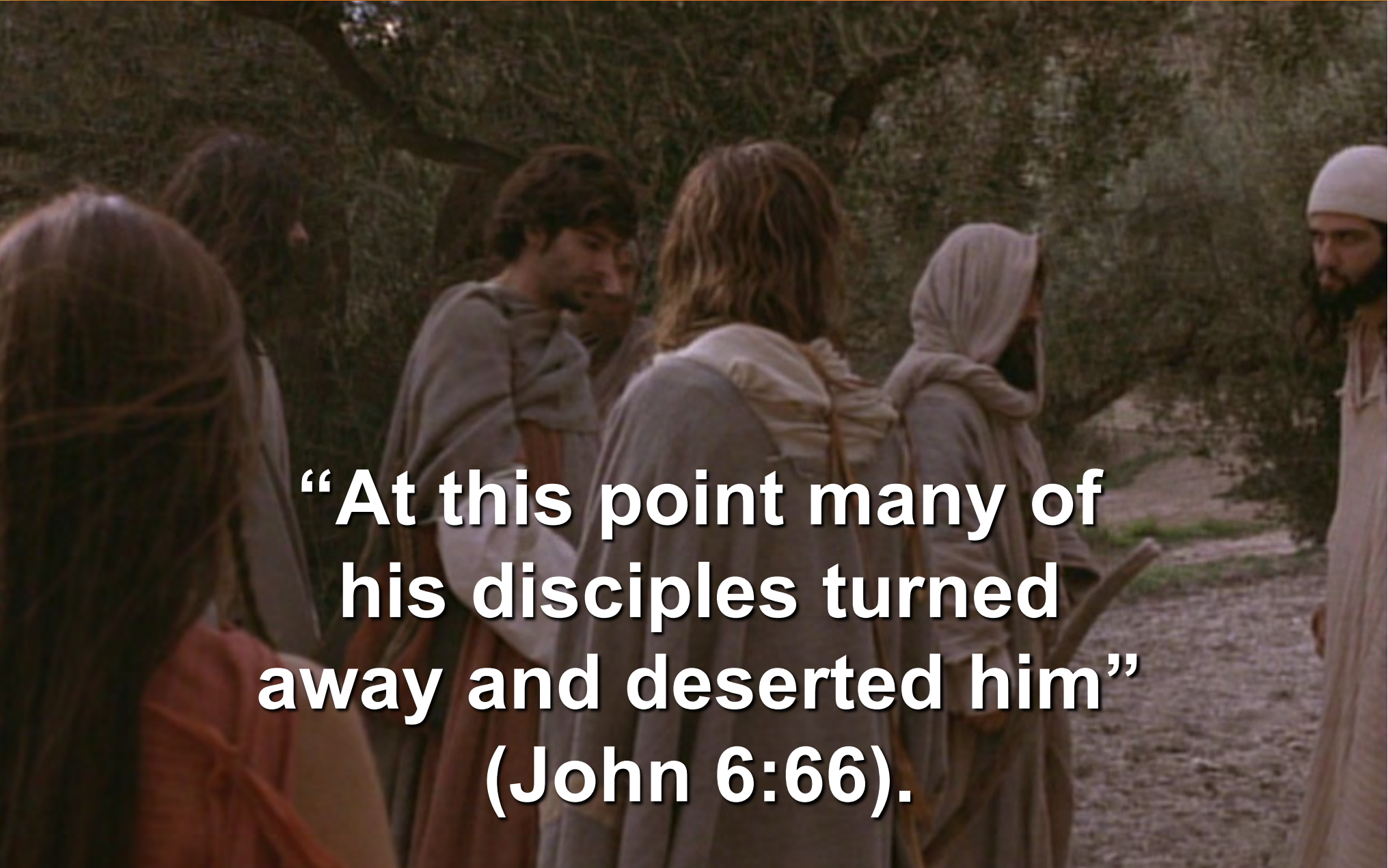
A cinematic still from a religious film showing Jesus with long brown hair and a beard, wearing a white robe and a white head covering. He is looking slightly to his right with a serious expression. In the foreground, a large, unrolled scroll lies on a table. In the background, several other men in white robes are seated, and the room has stone walls with arched windows featuring X-shaped grates. Small lanterns are mounted on the walls.

Unlike bread that only sustains physical life, belief in Christ gives eternal life (6:34-59).

**III. Jesus' claim to be the only
source of life forces a decision
(6:60-71).**



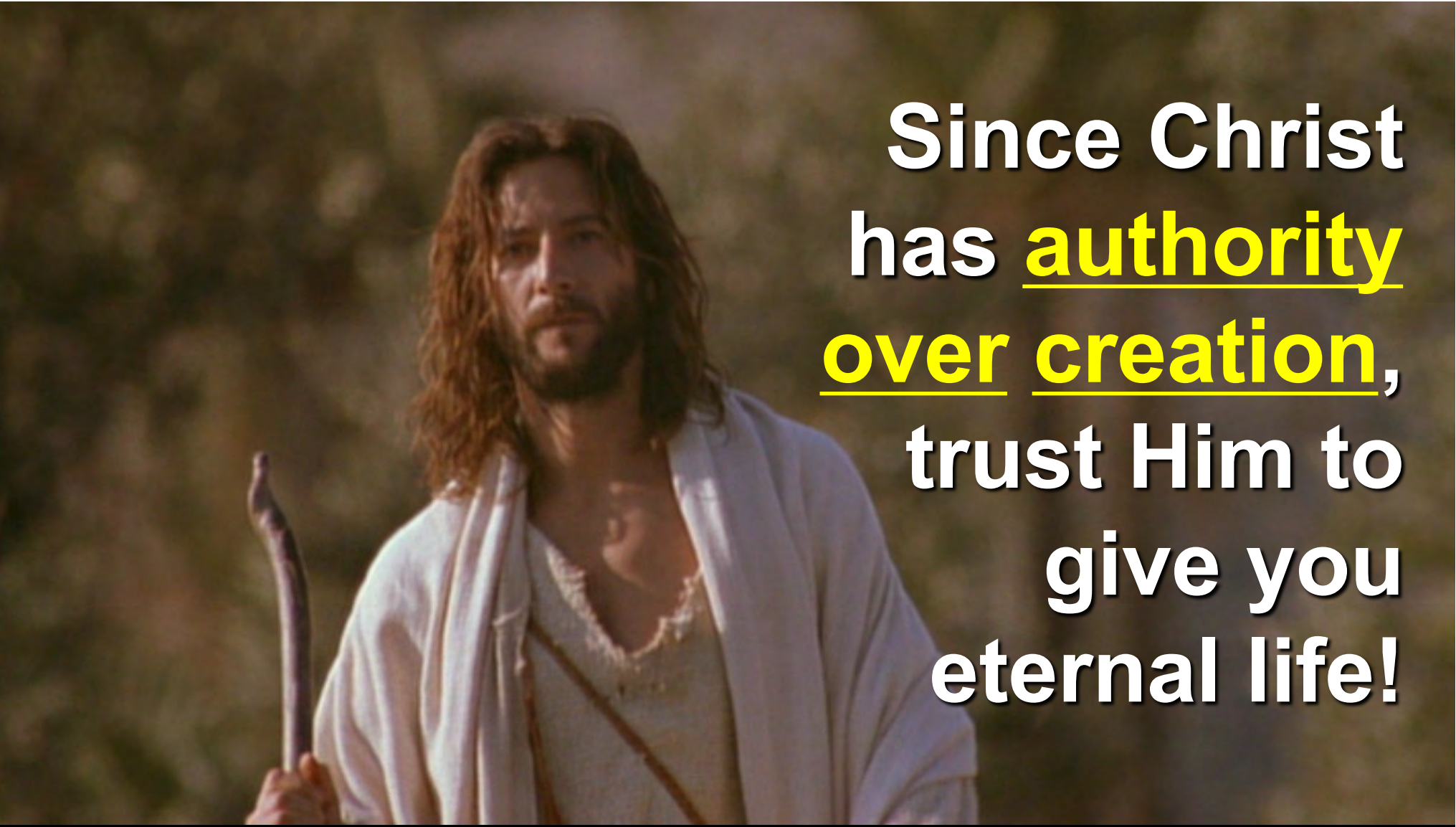
Disciples desert Jesus (61-71)

A cinematic still from a film depicting a group of men in ancient, earth-toned robes. They are standing in a wooded area with olive trees. The lighting is soft and natural. One man on the right, with a beard and a white head covering, is looking towards the group of men on the left. The text is overlaid in the center of the image.

**“At this point many of
his disciples turned
away and deserted him”
(John 6:66).**

The Twelve stayed because 11 of them believed He was God's Son (6:67-71).





Since Christ
has authority
over creation,
trust Him to
give you
eternal life!

The Main Idea of John 6

Disbelief?



Or Belief?

“You are the holy one of God!”



John 7

JOHN 7

Divided Opinions



Our Subject Today



**Why do
people have
such **divided**
opinions
about Christ?**

A Controversial Figure in John 1–6

*Believers in
John 1-4:*

*Galileans
Samaritan Woman*

John the Baptist

Nicodemus

Passover Jews

Disciples

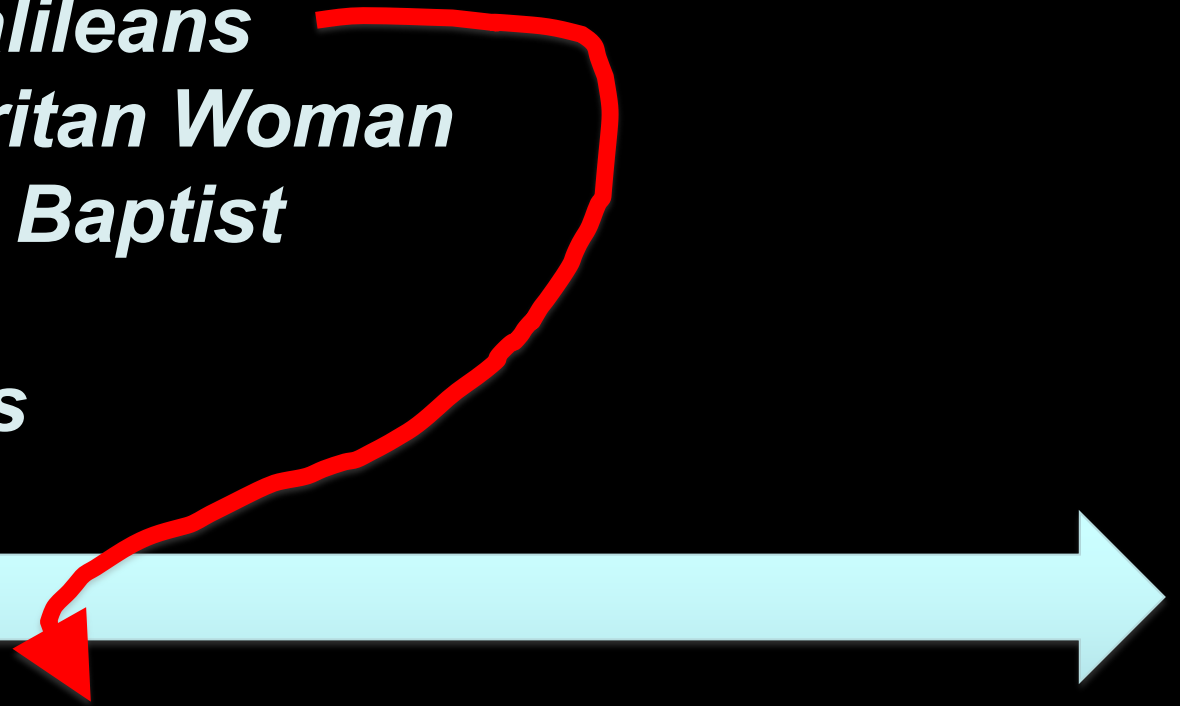
► *The line of faith*

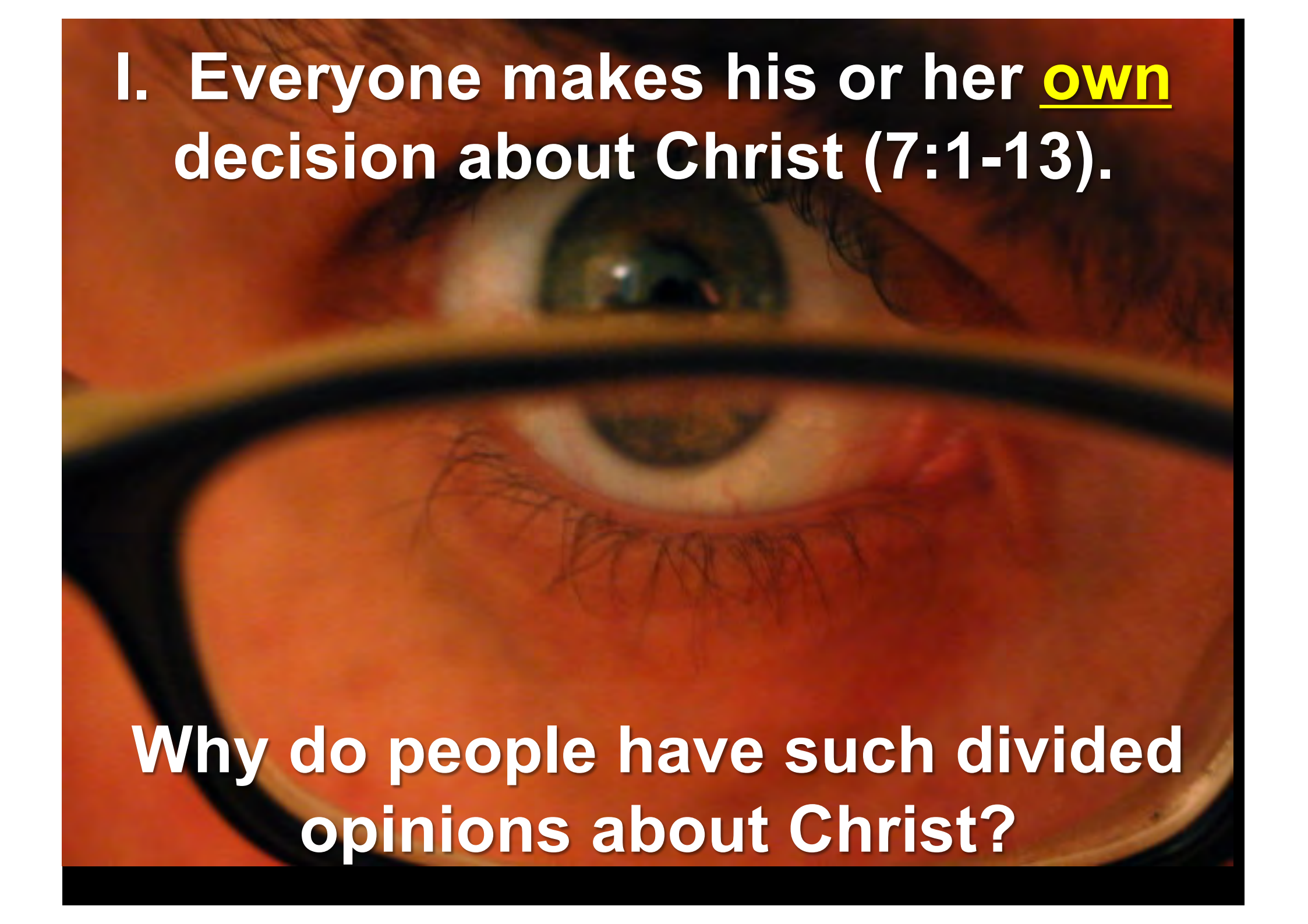
*Unbelievers in
John 5–6:*

Jerusalem Leaders

Galilean People

Disciples desert Jesus



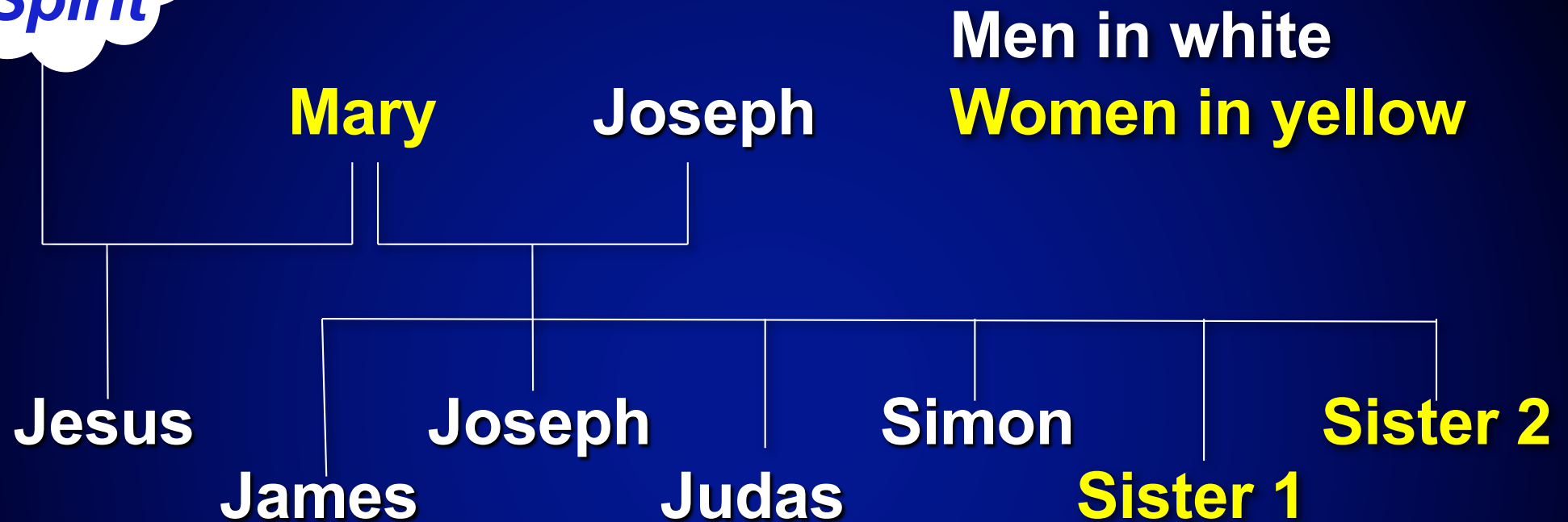


I. Everyone makes his or her own decision about Christ (7:1-13).

Why do people have such divided opinions about Christ?

Jesus' Family Persecuted Him

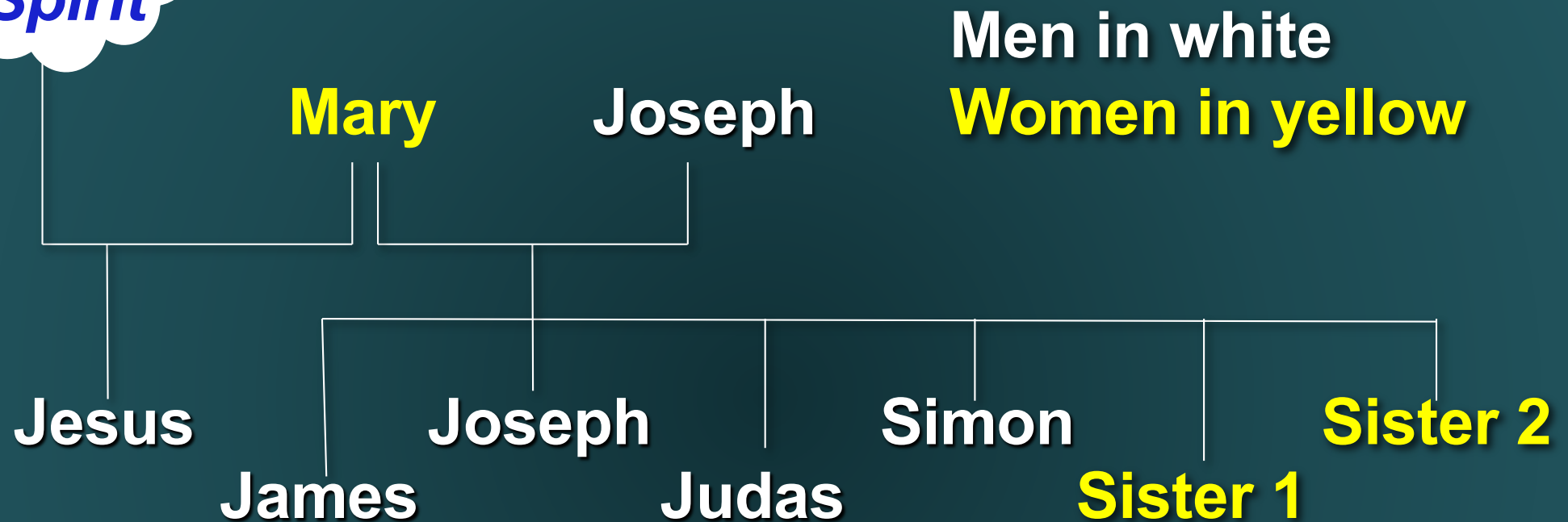
Holy Spirit



"Then they scoffed, 'He's just a carpenter, the son of Mary and the brother of James, Joseph, Judas, and Simon. And **his sisters** live right here among us.' They were deeply offended and refused to believe in him" (Mark 6:3 NLT).

Jesus' Family Persecuted Him

Holy Spirit

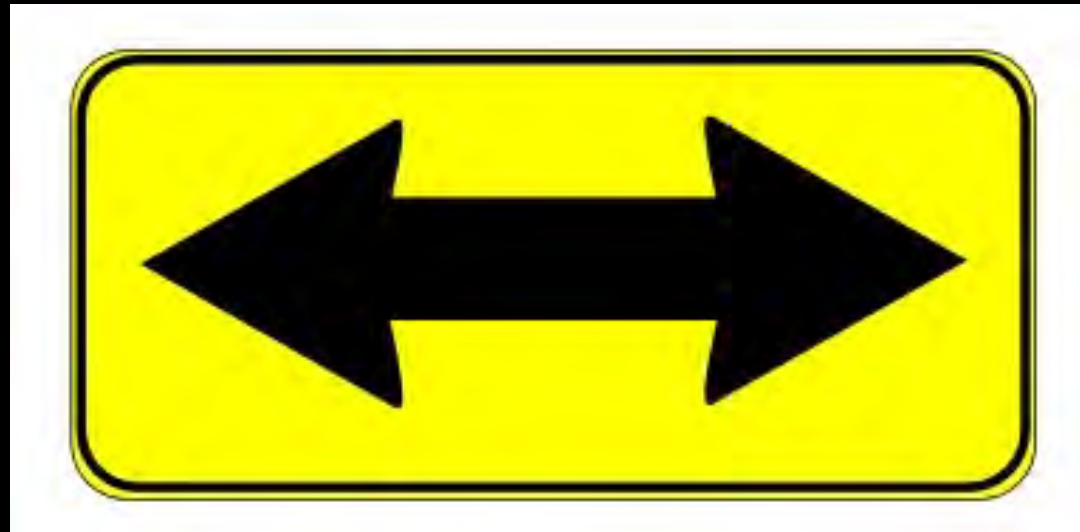


And Jesus' brothers said to him, "Leave here and go to Judea, where your followers can see your miracles! 4 You can't become famous if you hide like this! If you can do such wonderful things, show yourself to the world!" 5 For even his brothers didn't believe in him (John 7:3-5 NLT).

II. People reject Christ's teaching because they **reject God** (7:14-36).



**III. Jesus' claim to give eternal life
always has a **mixed** response
(7:37-52).**



**Why do people have such divided
opinions about Christ?**

Q & A in John 7

Curious: “Where did he get all this knowledge?” (14-15).

Jesus’ Answer: “God gave it to me.”

Offended: “You’re demon possessed! Who’s trying to kill you?” (20).

Jesus’ Answer: “Hypocrites care more for circumcision than for people.”

Q & A in John 7

Uninformed: “Isn’t this the man they are trying to kill? But the Messiah will simply appear...” (25).

Jesus’ Answer: “You know where I’m from—but you don’t know God!”

Believing: “Will the Messiah do more miracles than Jesus?” (31).

Jesus’ Answer: “I will be with you only for a short time more [about 6 months] but you won’t find me and can’t follow me.”

The background of the slide is a dark red, textured surface. It is populated with several large, stylized question marks. Some are solid blue with a yellow outline, while others are black with a yellow outline. They are scattered across the frame, creating a sense of inquiry and confusion.

Which are You?

- **Curious?**
- **Offended?**
- **Uninformed?**
- **Believing?**

Main Idea of John 7

**People reject Christ
because they don't
accept God's authority
over their lives.**

John 8

John 8:2-11
**JESUS AND THE WOMAN
ACCUSED OF ADULTERY**

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**How can we
show God's
compassion in
a world where
people think
Christianity
only **judges**
us?**



The Text of John 7:53–8:11



**Inspired
or Not?**

Divided

Opinions

“Most scholars seem to agree that the passage **is a part of inspired Scripture** [e.g., F.F. Bruce]. In fact, the development of the entire chapter can easily be seen to grow out of this striking event in the temple... The transition from John 7:52 to 8:12 would be too abrupt without a transitional section.”

–Warren Wiersbe, *The Bible Exposition Commentary*

“Almost all textual scholars agree that these verses were **not part of the original**... The style and vocabulary of this passage differ from the rest of the Gospel, and the passage interrupts the sequence from 7:52-8:12. It is probably a part of true oral tradition which was added to later Greek manuscripts by copyists.”

–Edwin A. Blum, in *The Bible Knowledge Commentary*

Western



Later (AD 600)
manuscripts keep it

Byzantine



Latest (AD 1000)
manuscripts keep it

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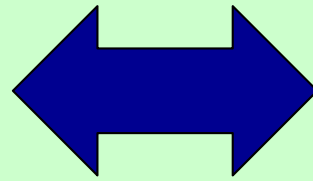
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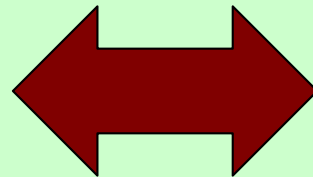
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Jesus exposes
evil intent of the
Pharisees (8:10)



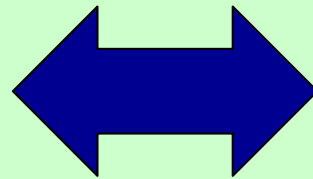
Jesus is the
Light of the
World (8:12)

Pharisees made
a false
judgment(8:15)



Jesus makes a
right judgment
(8:16)

Pharisees tried
to stone her
(8:5)

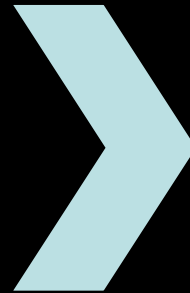


Pharisees tried
to stone
Jesus(8:59)

Where we're going today...



Passage



Applications



What's the Point?

- Show mercy to the repentant!
- Don't let people trap you!
- Be smarter when you commit adultery so you don't get caught!
- Jesus didn't really follow the Law.
- Forgive people before they repent—that's what Jesus does!
- Don't be too quick to throw stones.
- God isn't serious about sin after all.

I. Jesus showed the true compassion of the Law by **forgiving** an adulterous woman (7:53–8:11).



A. Pharisees brought an adulterous woman to Jesus to retain their power by having Jesus condemn Himself (7:53–8:6a).



- **Why did God give the Law on Mount Sinai?**

B. Jesus showed the Pharisee's sin by following the true compassion of the Law to condemn sinners and redeem the repentant (8:6b-11).

**II. Show God's compassion by
helping people **repent**
(Main Idea).**

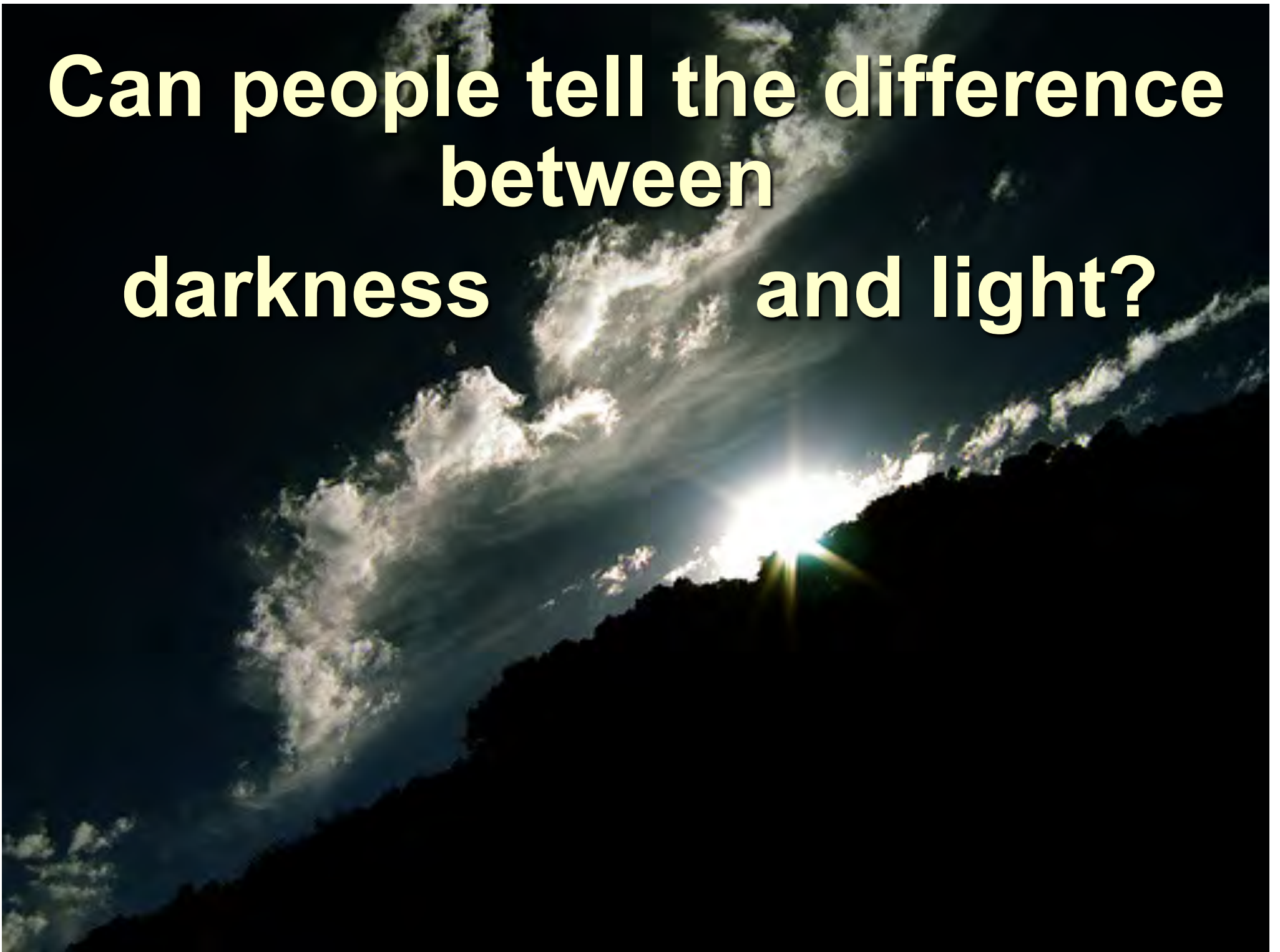


The Light of the World

A photograph of a sunset over a body of water. The sun is a bright, glowing orb on the horizon, with its light reflecting on the water's surface. The sky is filled with clouds, some of which are illuminated by the sun's light, creating a warm, orange and yellow glow. The water is calm, and the reflection of the sun and clouds is clearly visible. In the foreground, there are some dark, vertical poles or markers in the water.

John 8:12-59

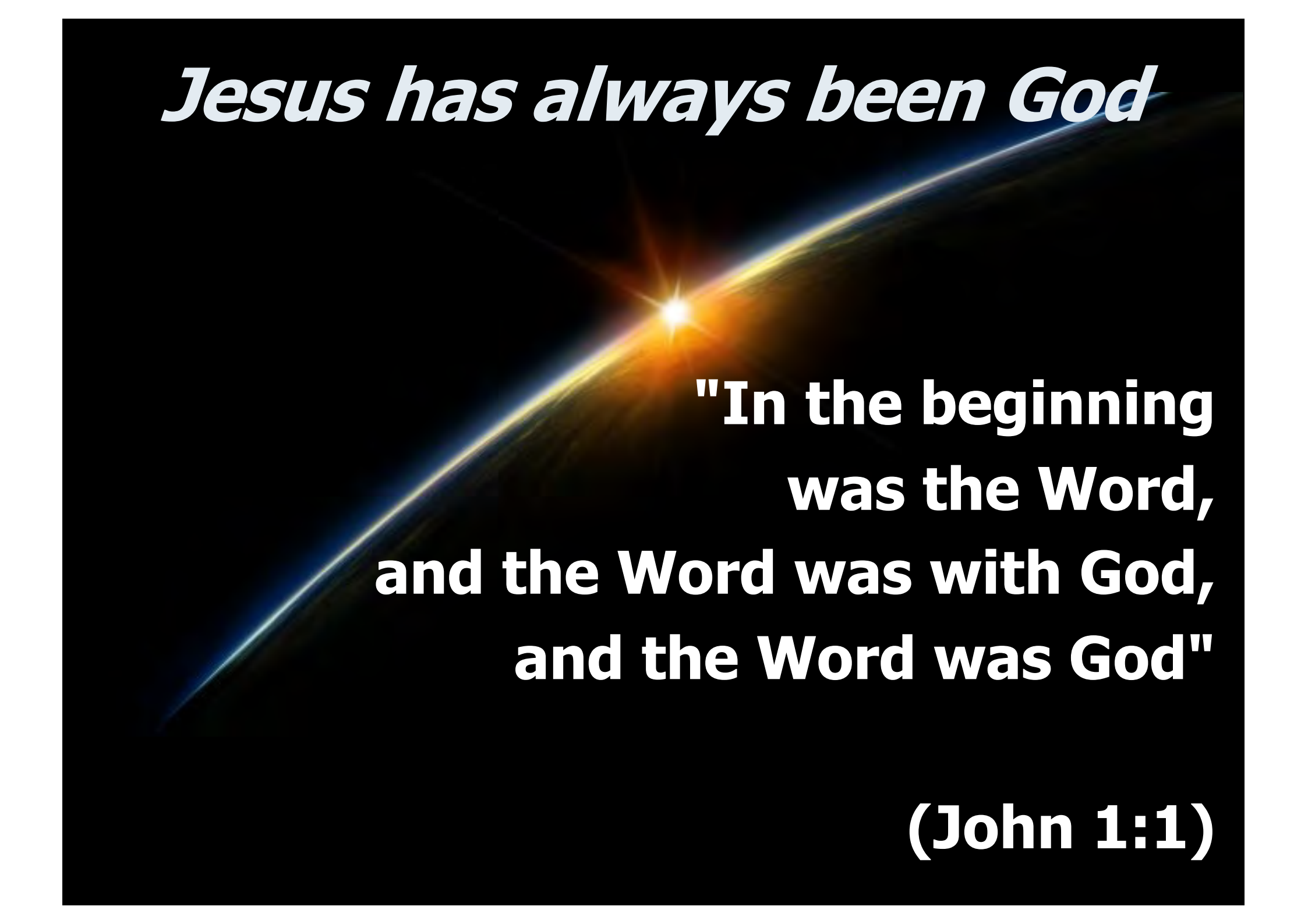
**Can people tell the difference
between
darkness and light?**



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Edwin Paul





Jesus has always been God

**"In the beginning
was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God"**

(John 1:1)

The Great Transfer

A person is walking away from the viewer on a dark, wet surface, possibly a road or path. The person's silhouette is reflected in a large puddle on the ground, creating a symmetrical image. The background is dark and blurry, suggesting a distant horizon or a body of water.

For he has
rescued us
from the
kingdom of
darkness

and
transferred
us into the
Kingdom of
his dear Son

¹⁴ who purchased
our freedom and
forgave our sins
(Col 1:13-14)

How should we expect people to **respond** to Christ's claim to be eternal God?

Jesus

John 1:1-3
In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.
He was with God in the beginning.
Through him all things were made;
without him nothing was made
that has come into being.
In him was life, and the life
was the light of men.
The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness has not
understood him.

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John 6–8



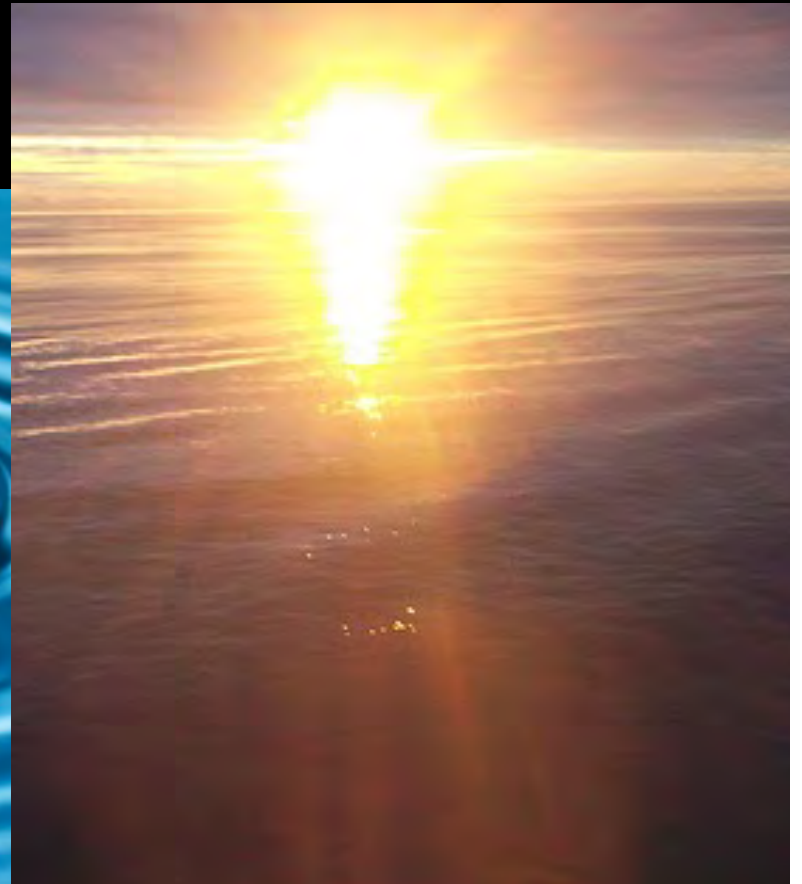
Bread

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Water

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Light

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How should we expect people to **respond** to Christ's claim to be eternal God?

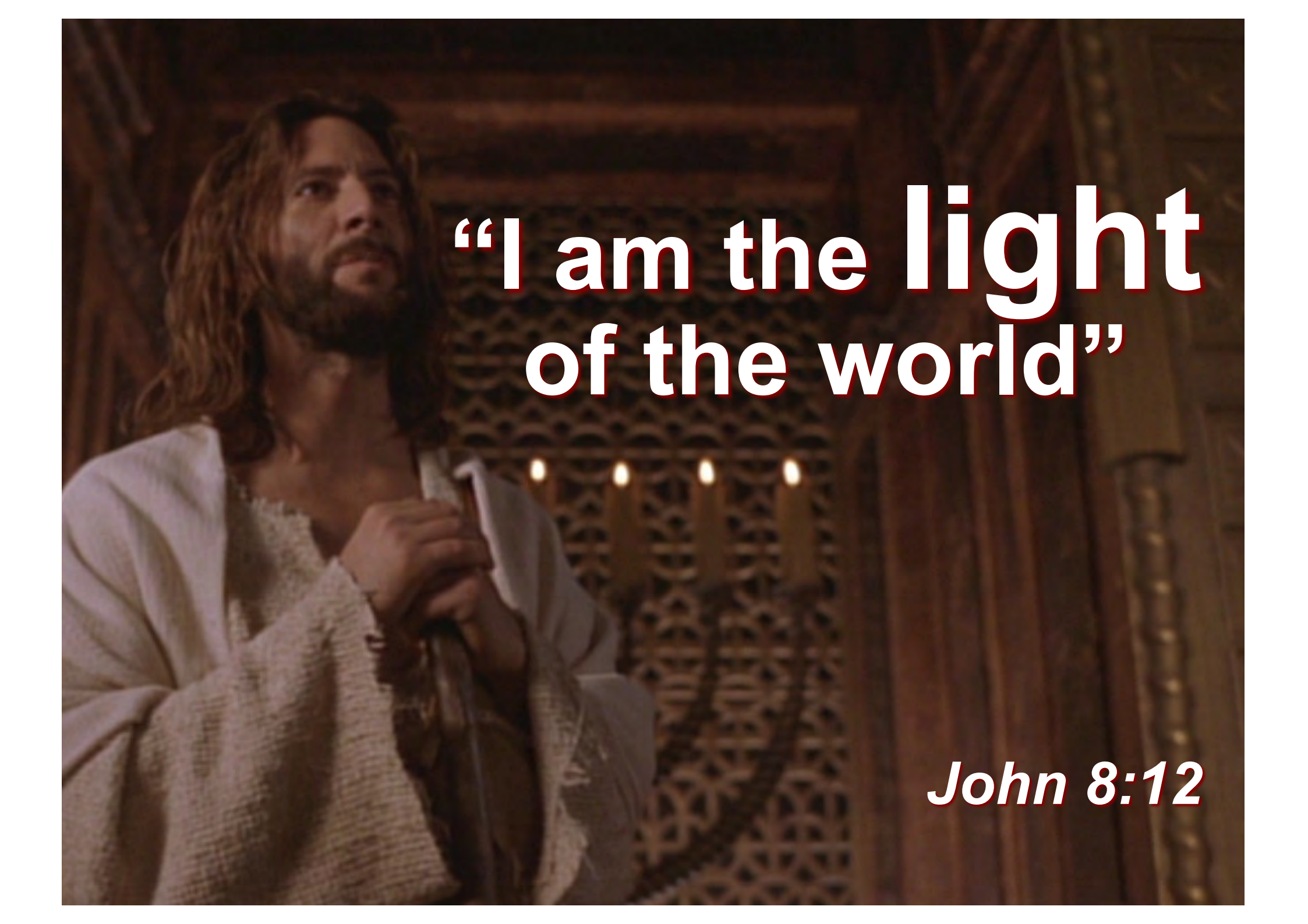
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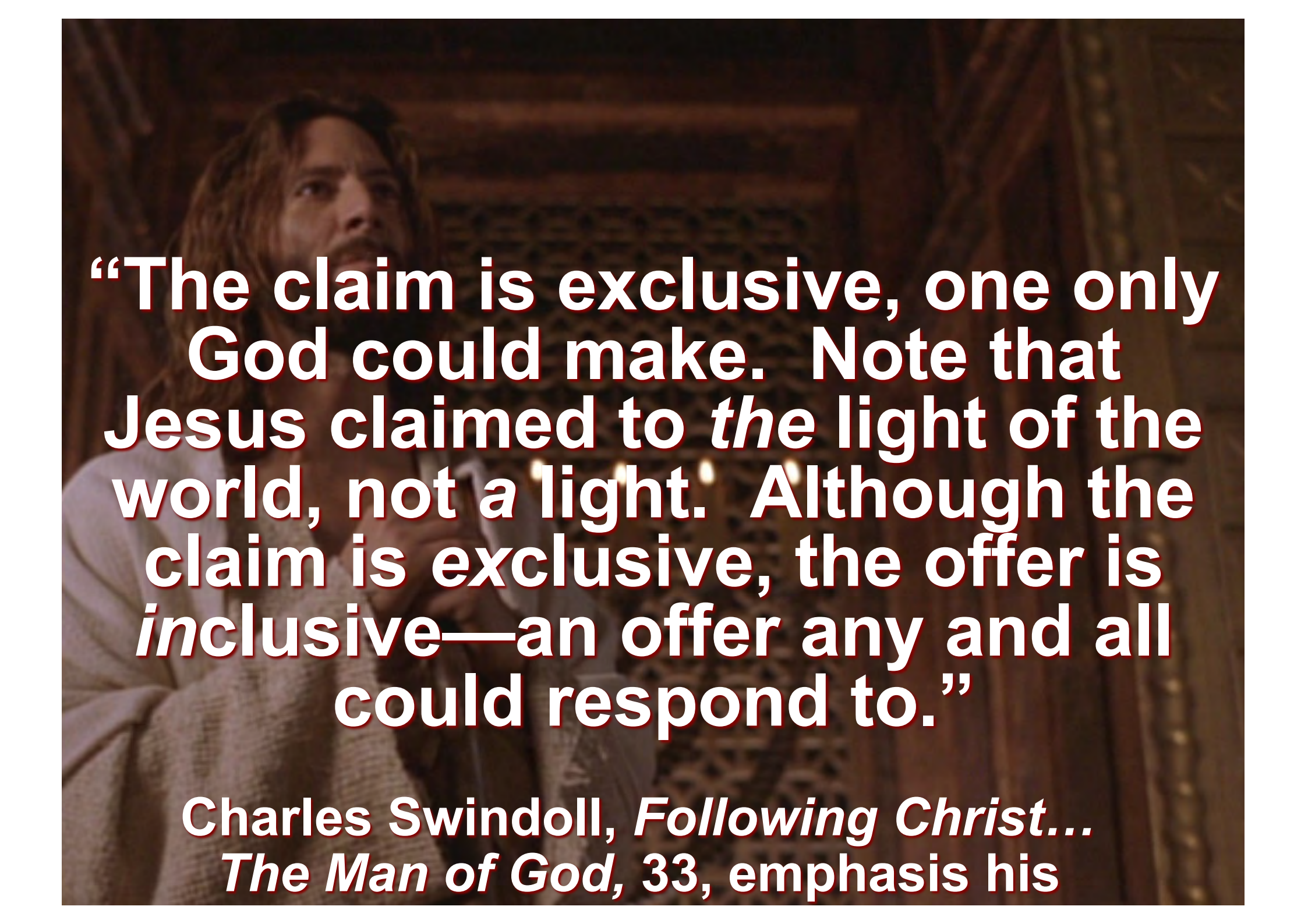
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**“I am the light
of the world”**

John 8:12



“The claim is exclusive, one only God could make. Note that Jesus claimed to *the* light of the world, not a light. Although the claim is exclusive, the offer is *inclusive*—an offer any and all could respond to.”

Charles Swindoll, *Following Christ... The Man of God*, 33, emphasis his

Two Witnesses (Deut 17:6)

“But never put a person to death on the testimony of only one witness. There must always be two or three witnesses.”

**Jesus is the
light of life
(12-20)**

■ **Light**

■ **Darkness**

■ **Life**

■ **Death**

Hostility!



Oprah Winfrey

“Does God
care about
your heart...
Or does God
care that you
call his son
‘Jesus’?”



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John 9

Don't the Blind Know They're Blind?

John 9



Spiritual Blindness

Healing from Spiritual Blindness

forgiveness

satisfying life



eternal life



***What must we see to
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blindness—
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John 6–8



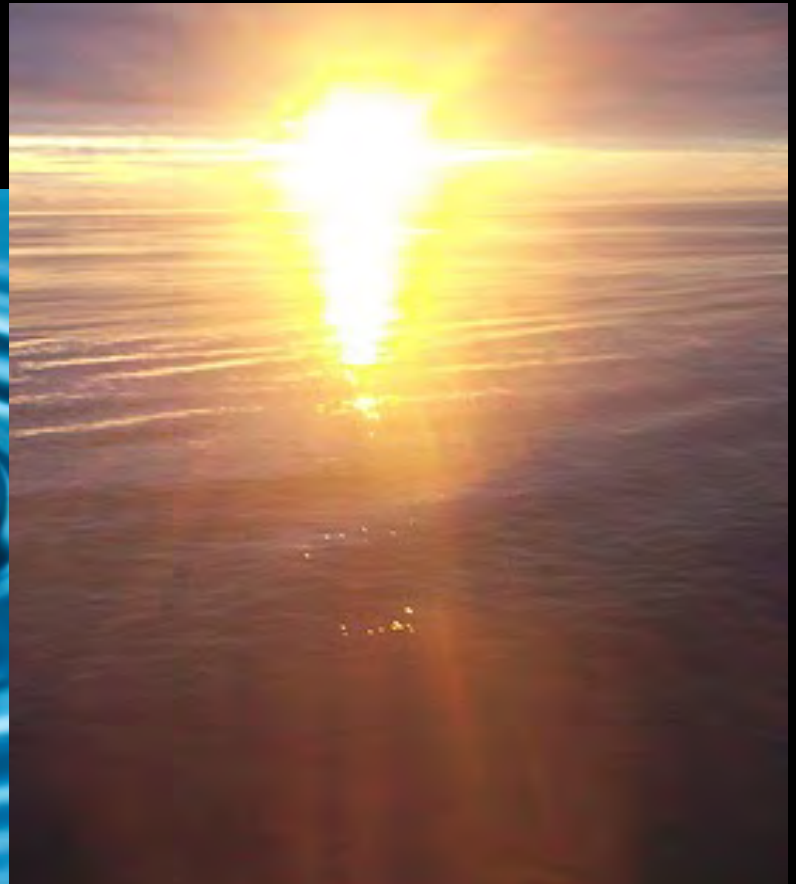
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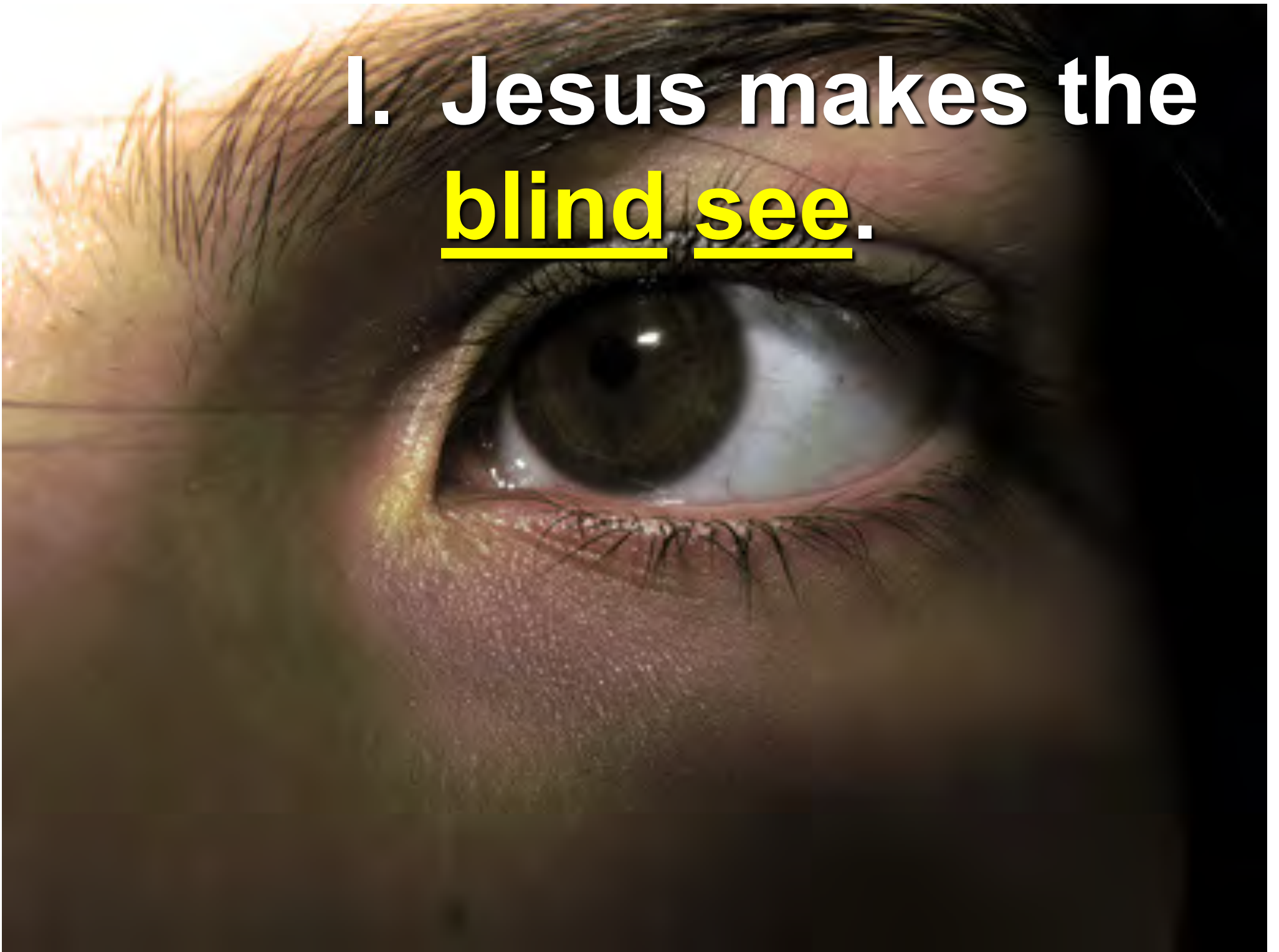
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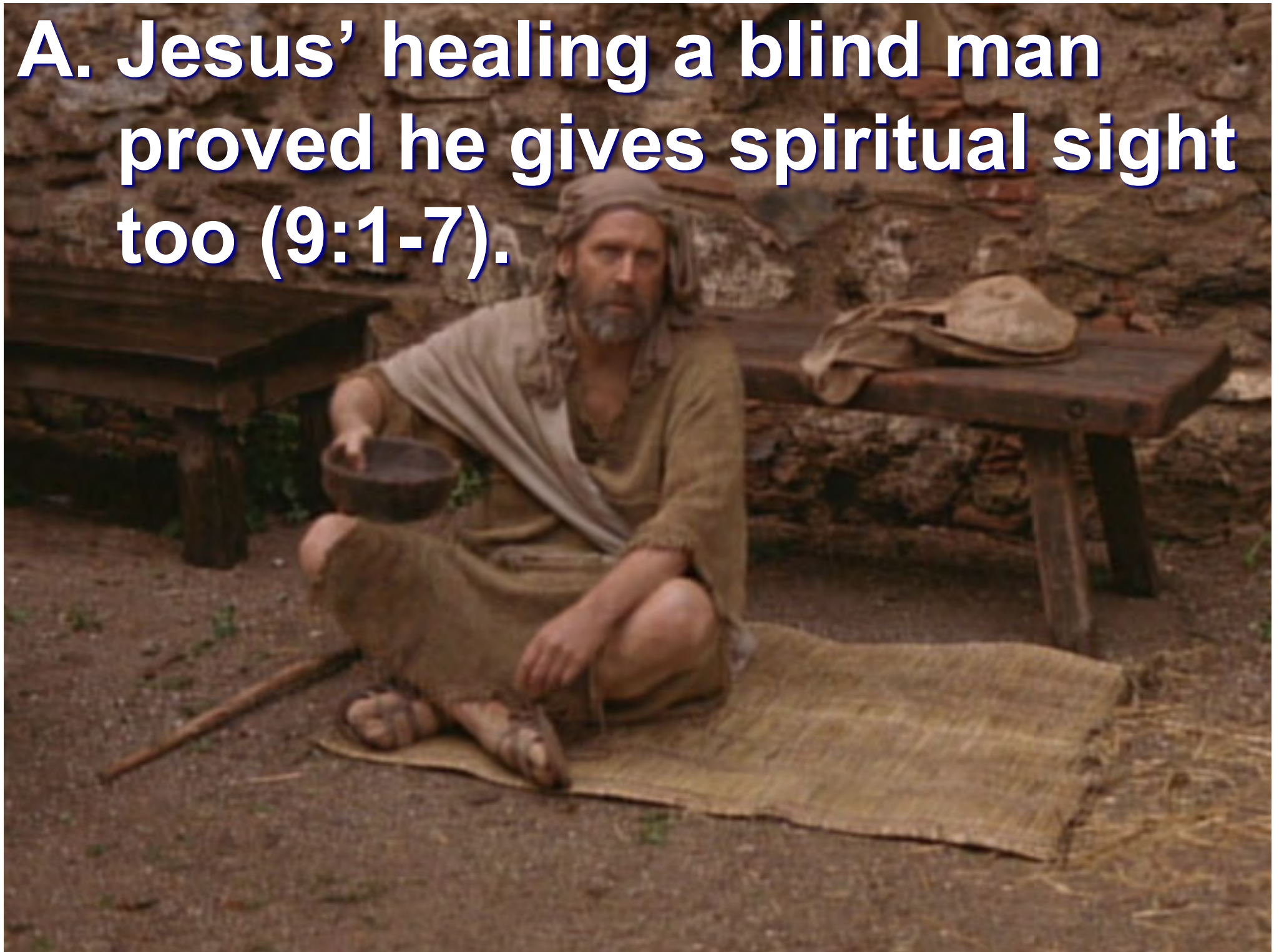
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I. Jesus makes the
blind see.



**A. Jesus' healing a blind man
proved he gives spiritual sight
too (9:1-7).**



1. This man was born blind to show that God empowered Jesus to give eternal life (9:1-5).



Why this blindness?



Exodus 20:4-5

“You must not make for yourself an idol....⁵ You must not bow down to them or worship them, for ... I lay the sins of the parents upon their children; **the entire family is affected**—even children in the third and fourth generations of those who reject me.”



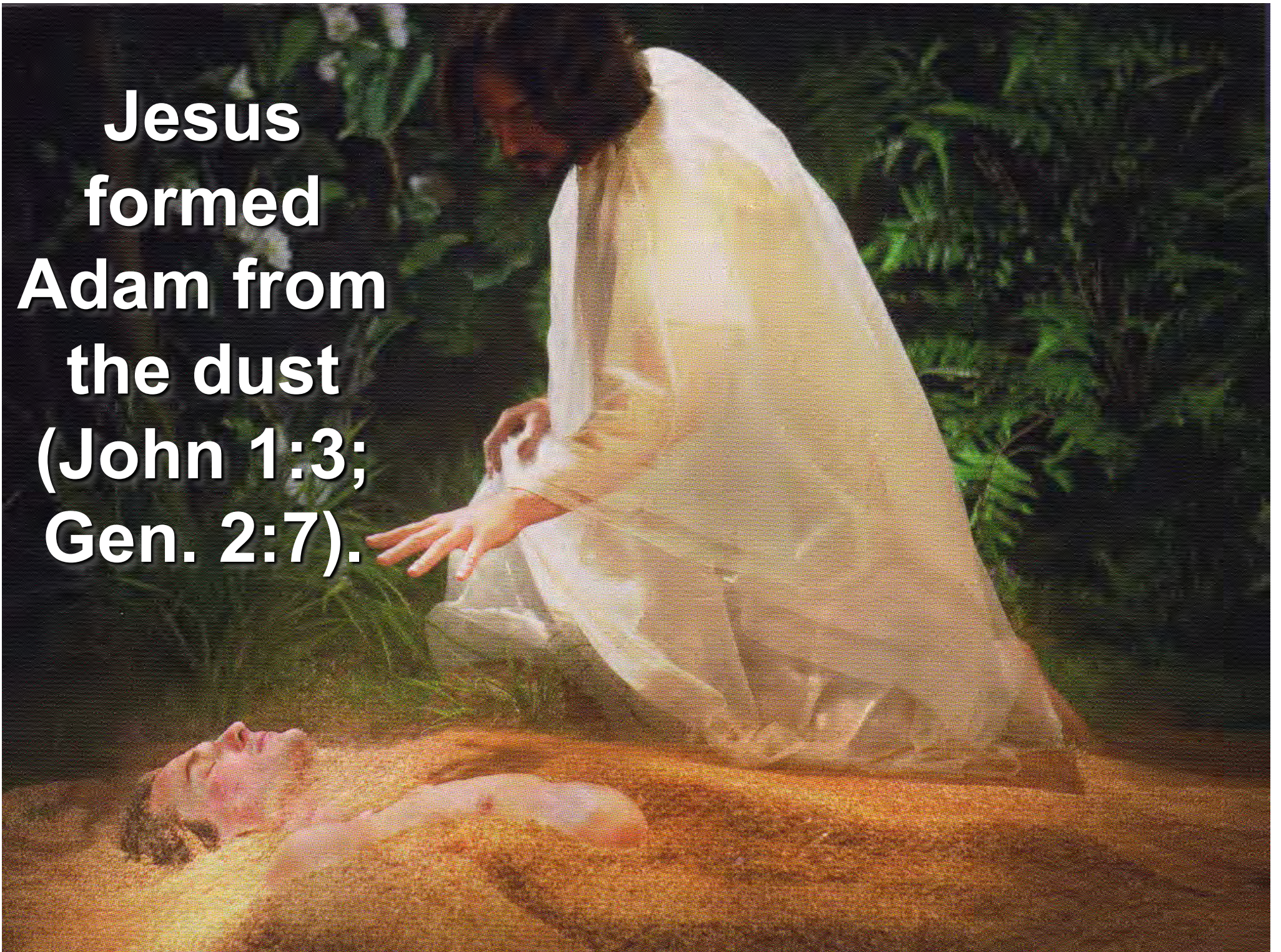
2. Jesus proved He was the way for eternal life by miraculously healing the man (9:6-7).



Why did Christ put mud on the man's eyes (9:6)?



**Jesus
formed
Adam from
the dust
(John 1:3;
Gen. 2:7).**

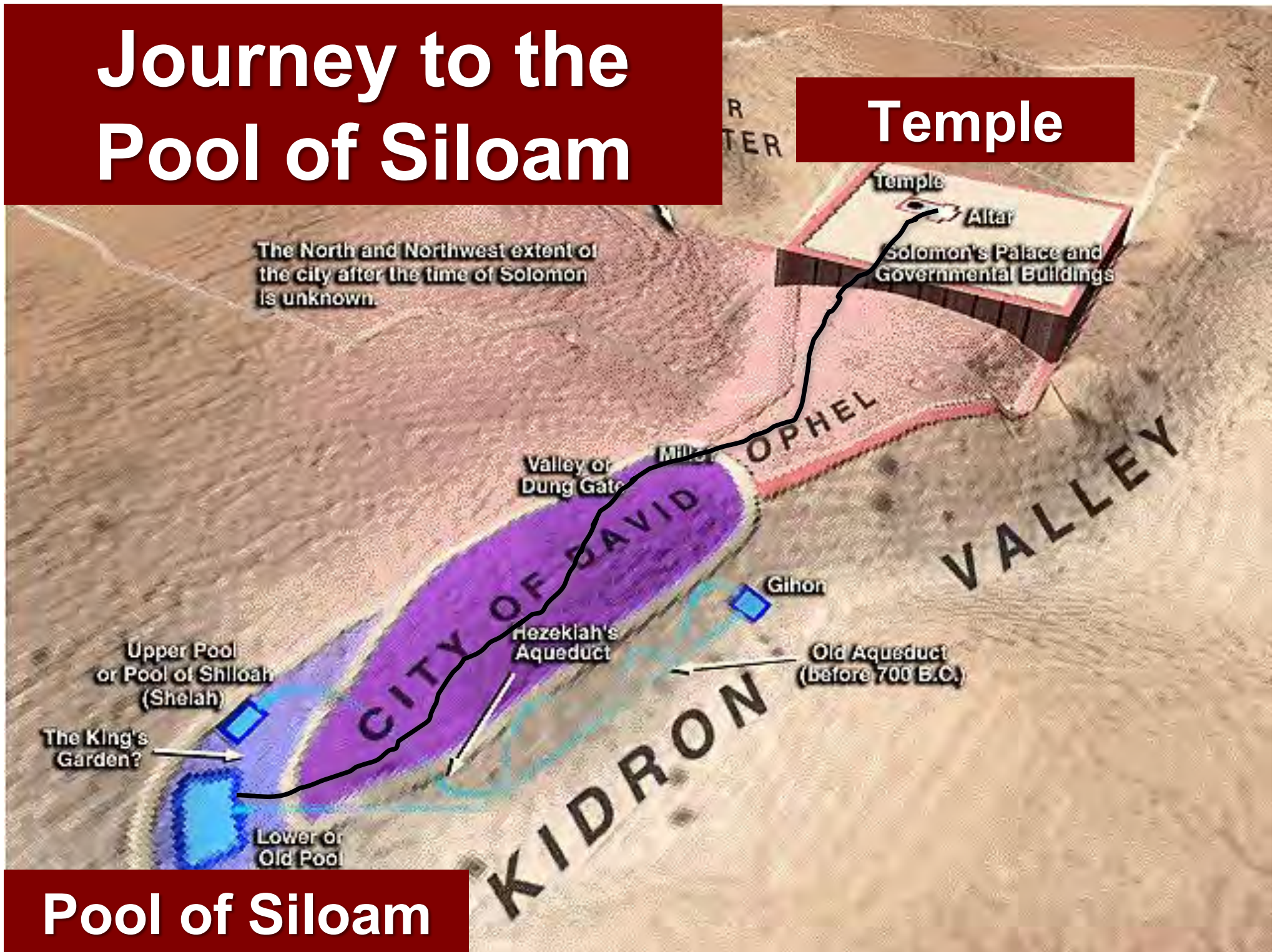


Washing developed his faith



Journey to the Pool of Siloam

Temple



**B. Do you believe that God sent
Jesus to cure your own
blindness?**



Signs in John's Gospel

Signs unique to John's Gospel in yellow (6 of the 9 miracles)

**WATER
TO WINE**
2:1-11

**HEALING
OFFICIAL'S
SON**
4:46-54

**HEALING
PARALYTIC**
5:1-18

**FEEDING
5000**
6:1-15

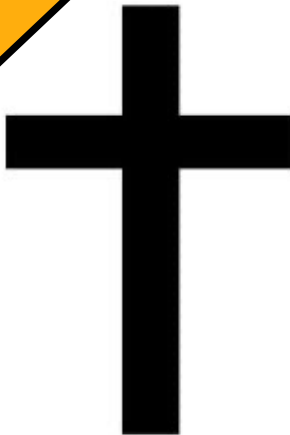
**WALKING
ON WATER**
6:16-24

**HEALING
BLIND MAN**
9:1-7

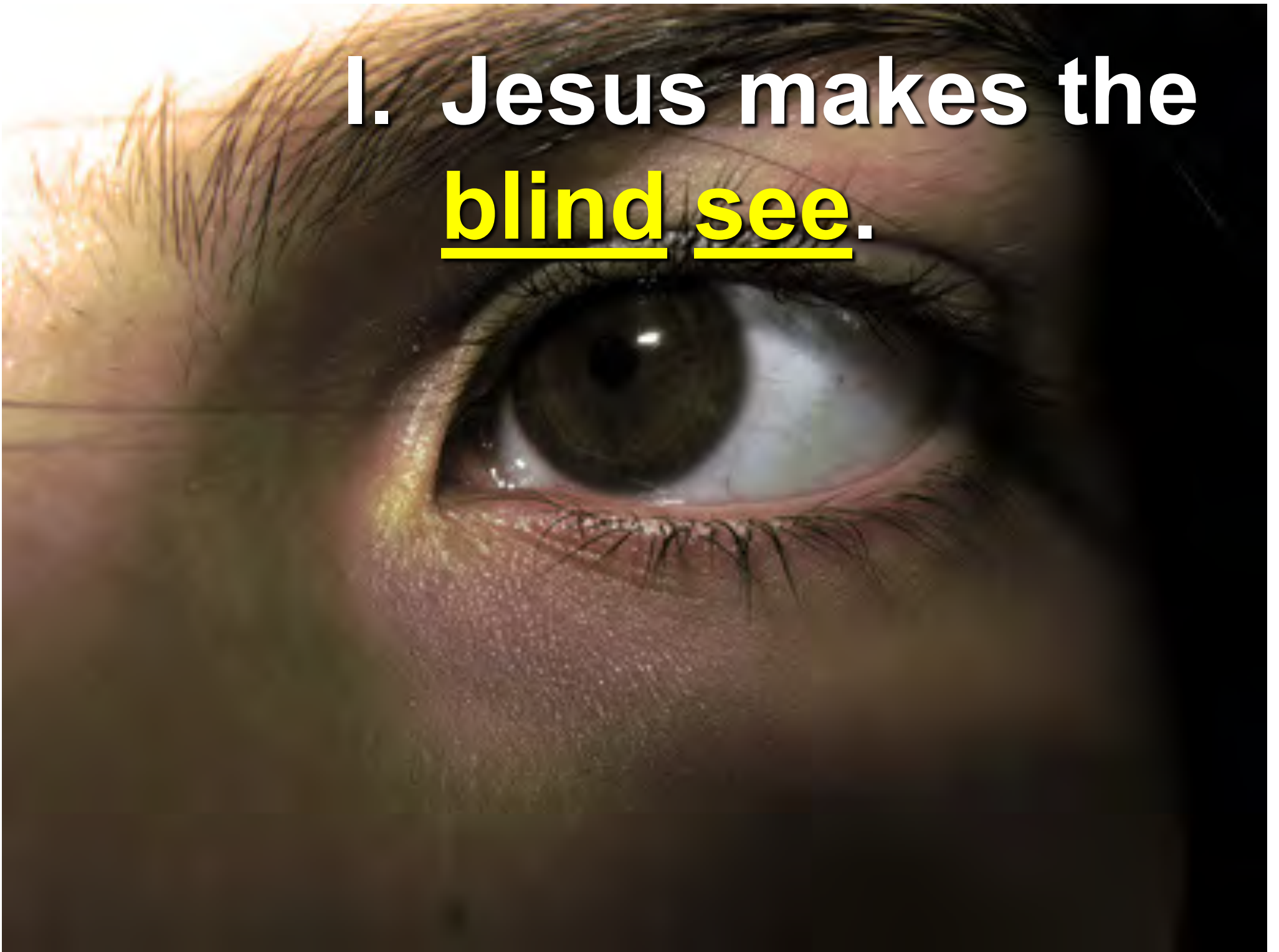
**RAISING
LAZARUS**
11:1-45

**CHRIST'S
RESURRECTION**
20:1-31

**FISH
CATCH**
21:1-3



I. Jesus makes the
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II. Jesus changes people's lives (9:8-34).



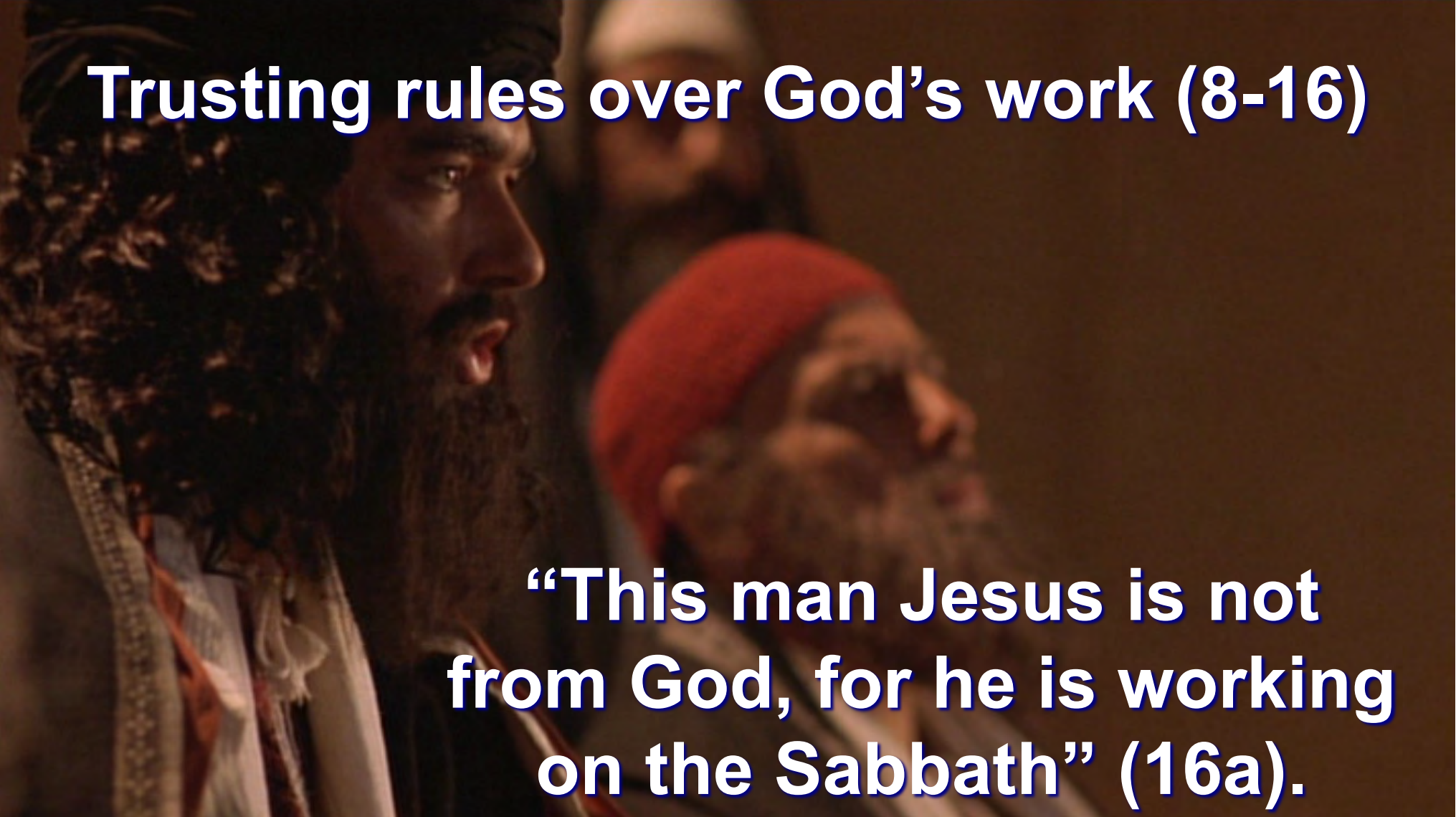
A. The blind man increasingly gained spiritual insight...

... while the Pharisees increasingly rejected his testimony and became more spiritually blind (8-34).



Evidence of Spiritual Blindness

Trusting rules over God's work (8-16)



“This man Jesus is not from God, for he is working on the Sabbath” (16a).

Evidence of Spiritual Blindness

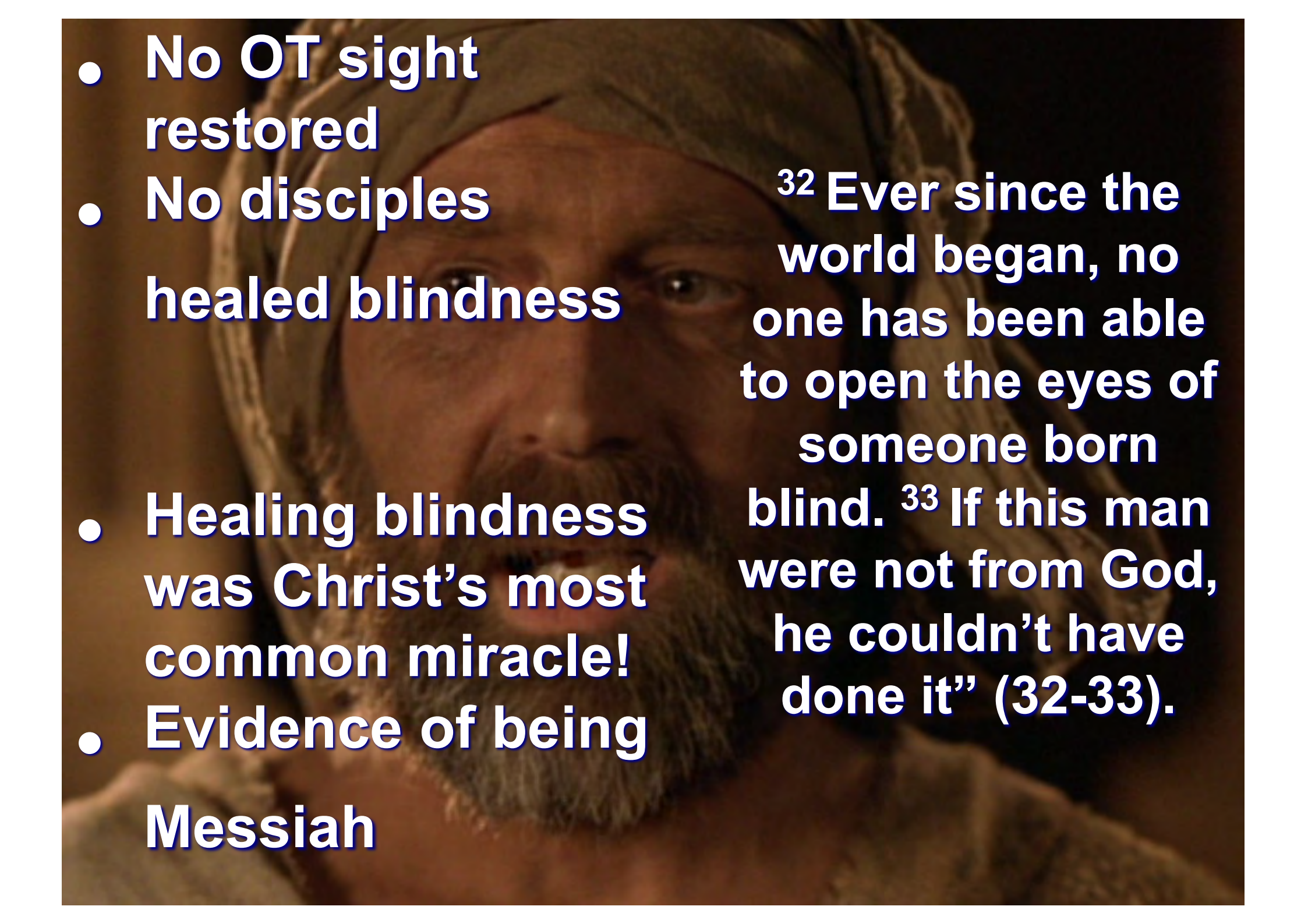
Persecuting God's witnesses (17-23)



Evidence of Spiritual Blindness

Rejecting Christ despite evidence (24-34)



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- No OT sight restored
 - No disciples healed blindness
 - Healing blindness was Christ's most common miracle!
 - Evidence of being Messiah

³² Ever since the world began, no one has been able to open the eyes of someone born blind. ³³ If this man were not from God, he couldn't have done it" (32-33).

B. Does seeing evidence for Jesus help you gain or lose spiritual insight?

JULIANNE MOORE MARK RUFFALO WITH DANNY GLOVER AND GAEL GARCÍA BERNAL

BLINDNESS

FROM FERNANDO MEIRELLES THE ACCLAIMED DIRECTOR OF THE CONSTANT GARDENER AND CITY OF GOD

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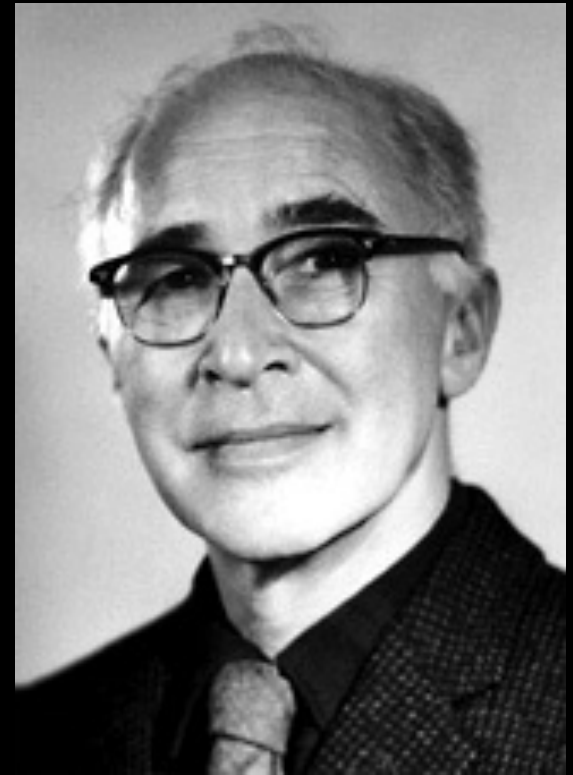


HUMILITY

I'm not so arrogant to think I've arrived at the truth about anything, but I'm pretty sure everything *you* say is not only dead wrong, but really, really stupid, too.

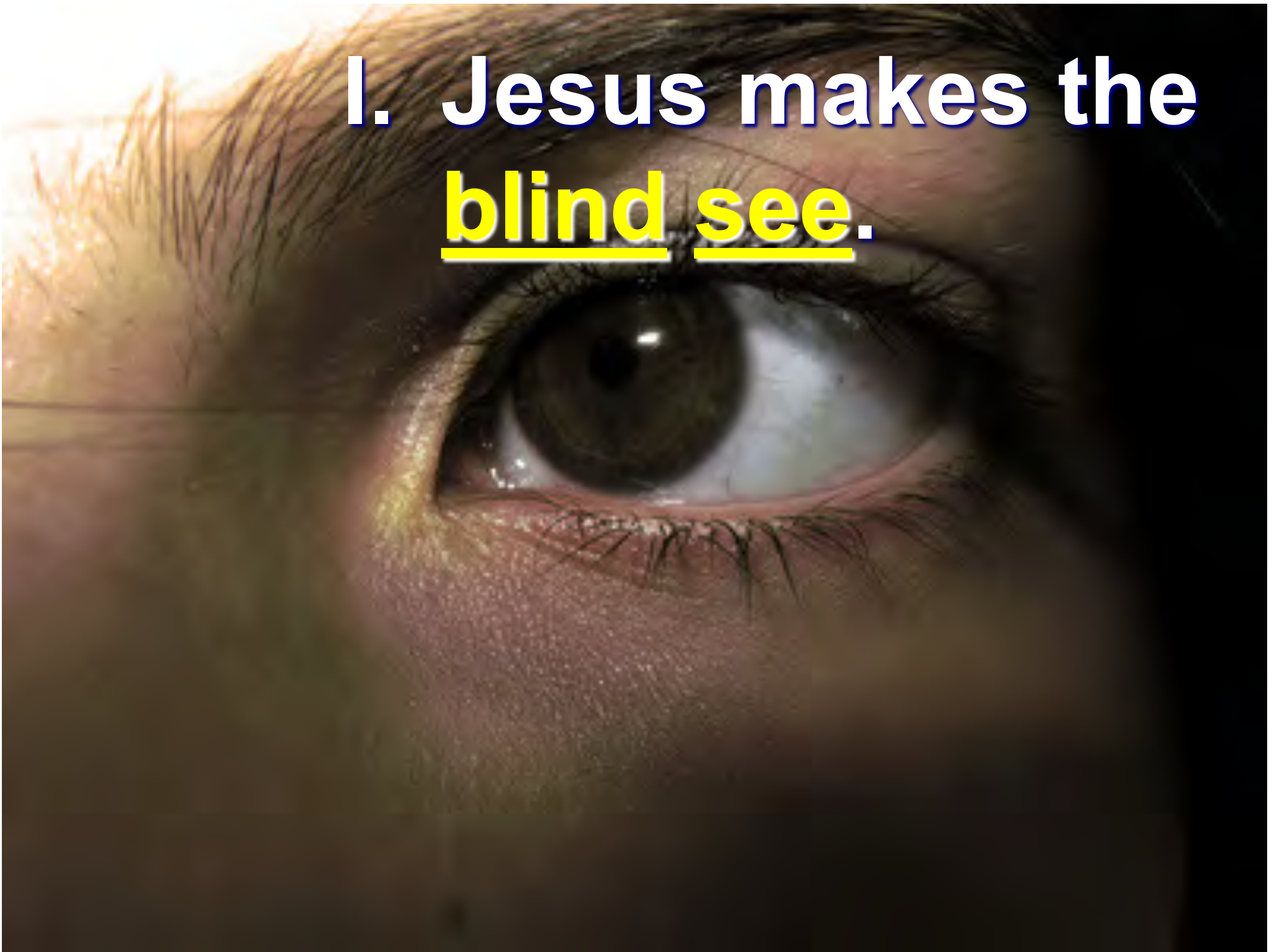
Did life originate as an accident?

“There are only two possible explanations as to how life arose: Spontaneous generation arising to evolution or a supernatural creative act of God.... There is no other possibility. Spontaneous generation was scientifically disproved 120 years ago by Louis Pasteur and others, but that just leaves us with only one other possibility... that life came as an act of supernatural creation by God, but I can’t accept that philosophy because I do not want to believe in God. Therefore, I choose to believe that which I know is scientifically impossible, spontaneous generation leading to evolution.”



Dr. George Wald
Professor Emeritus of Biology,
Harvard
Nobel Prize winner in Biology,
1971

I. Jesus makes the
blind see.



II. Jesus changes people's lives(8-34).



III. Jesus deserves **worship** as **God** (35-41).

JESUS
IS
GOD



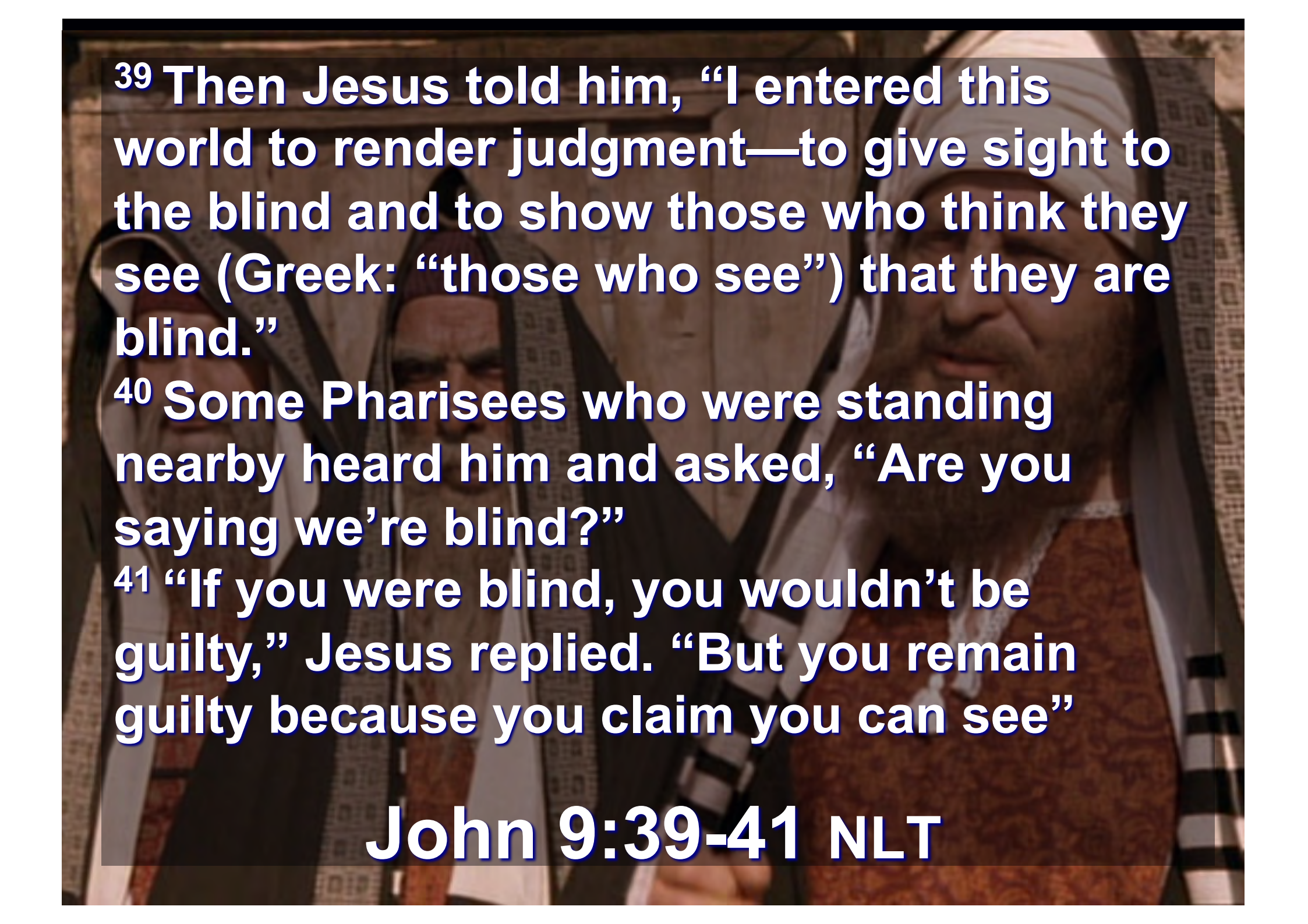
**Opposite
Responses**

The former blind man confesses Jesus as God (35-38).



**Jesus condemns the Pharisees
for rejecting him as God (39-41).**





39 Then Jesus told him, “I entered this world to render judgment—to give sight to the blind and to show those who think they see (Greek: “those who see”) that they are blind.”

40 Some Pharisees who were standing nearby heard him and asked, “Are you saying we’re blind?”

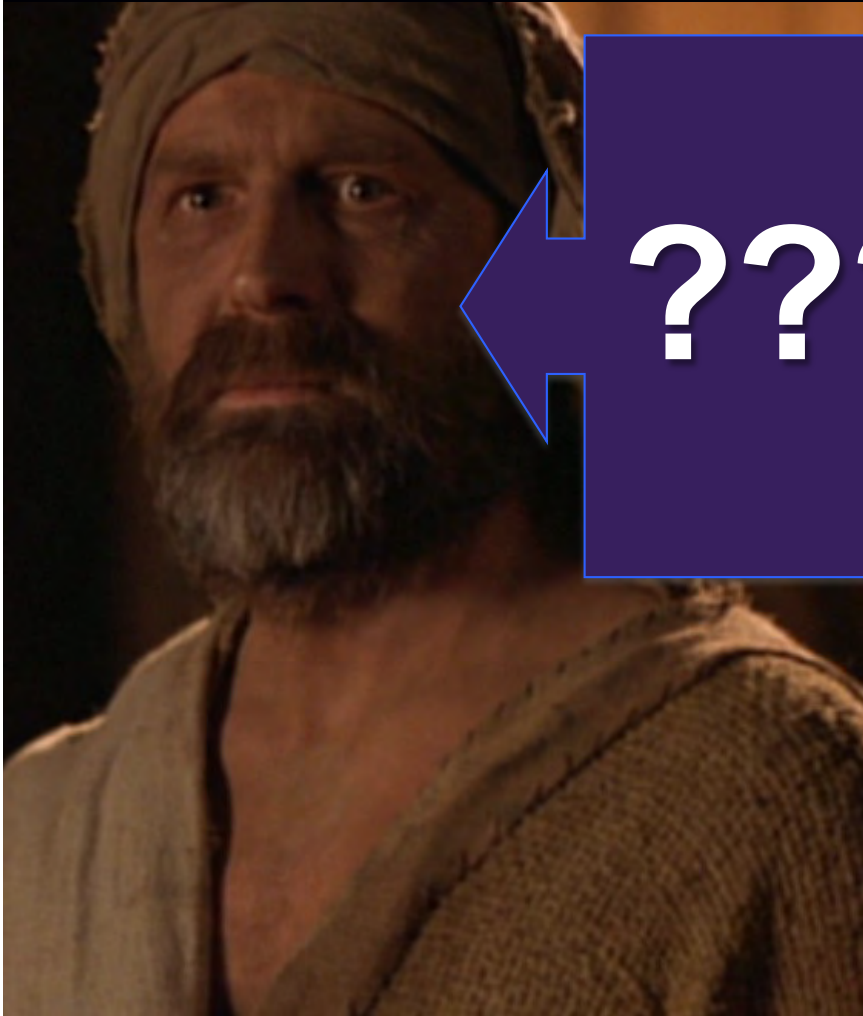
41 “If you were blind, you wouldn’t be guilty,” Jesus replied. “But you remain guilty because you claim you can see”

John 9:39-41 NLT

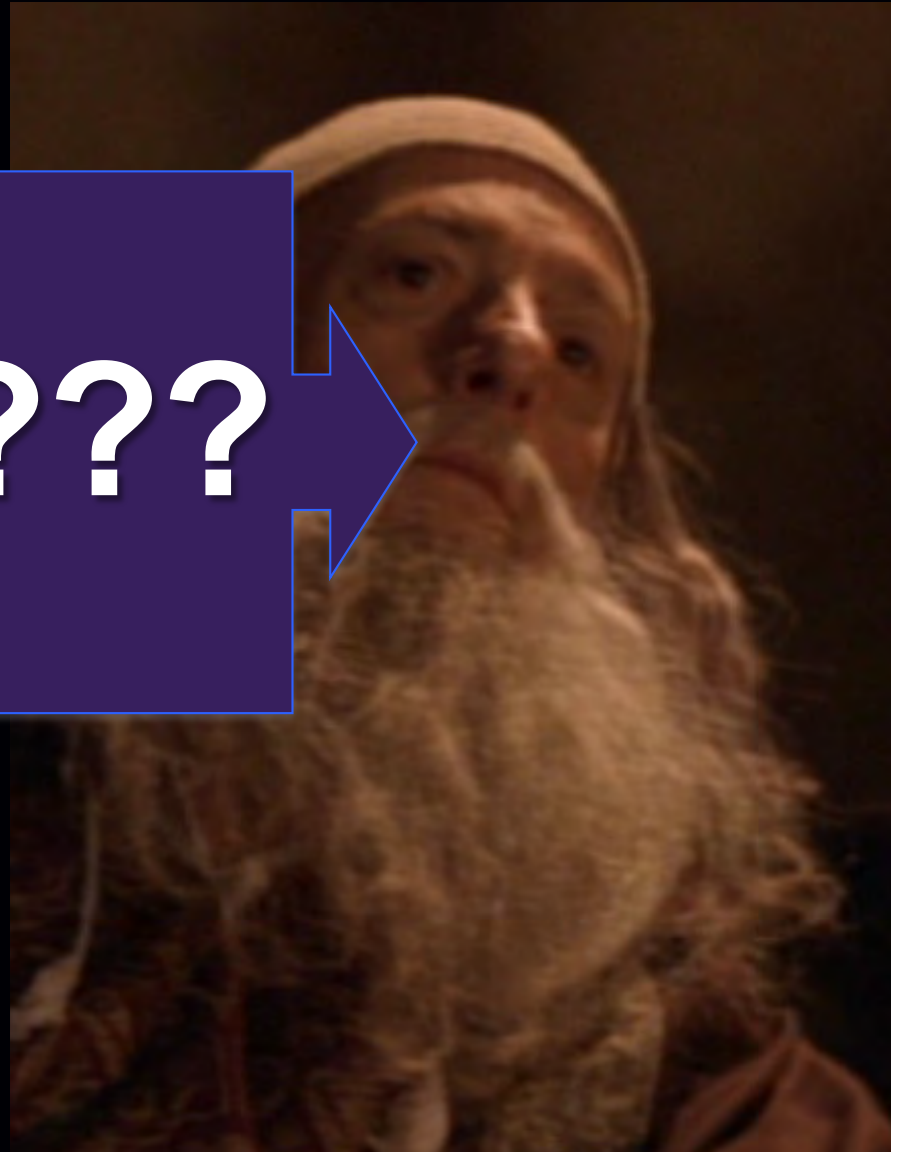
**How should we respond
when we see that Jesus is
truly God Himself?**



**Who's the real
blind man?**



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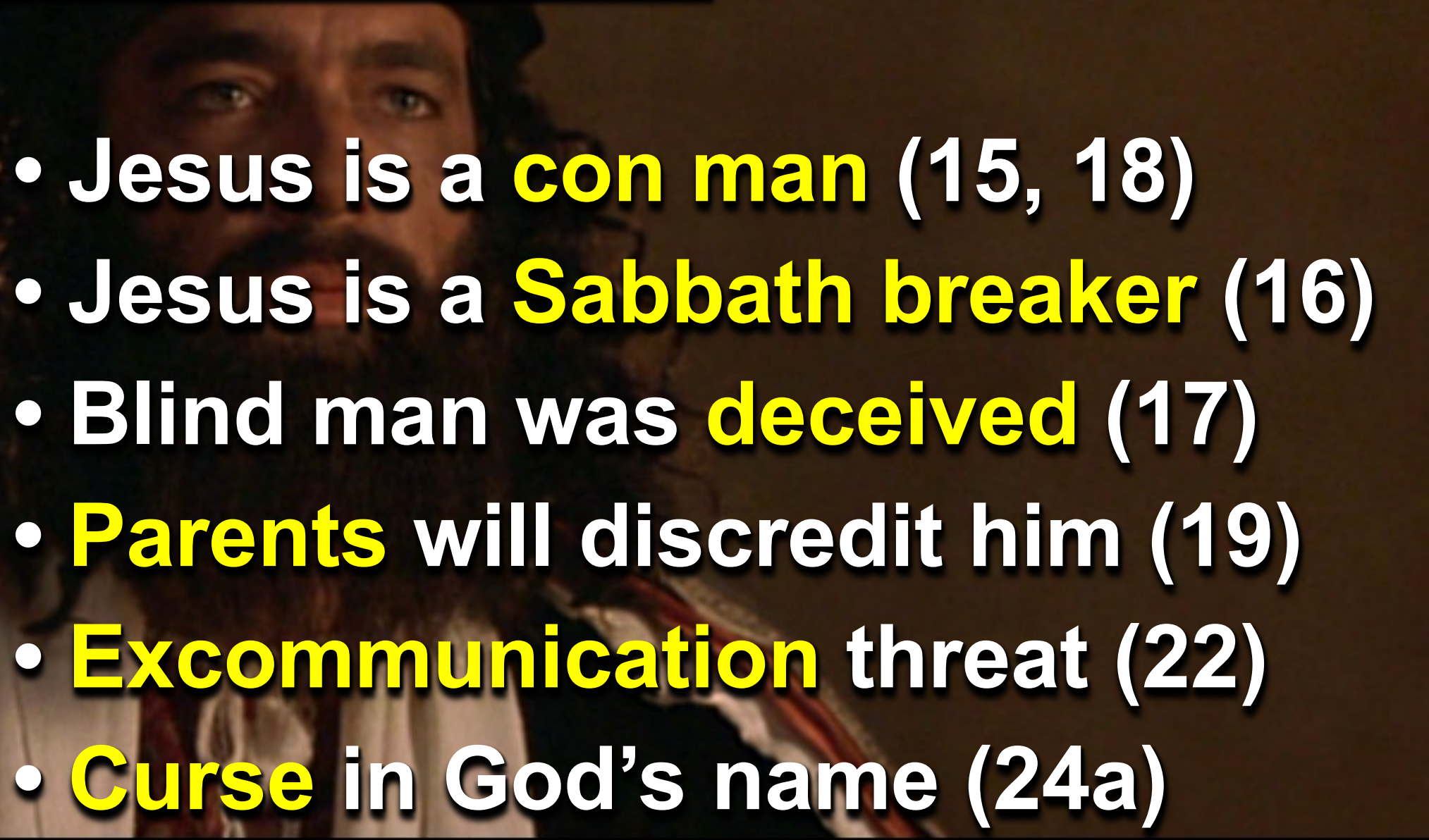
**Who's the real
blind man?**

**The blind man
sees!**

- **God**: “worshipped Jesus” (38)
- “A man **from God**” (33)
- “A **prophet**” (17)
- “A **man** called Jesus” (7)

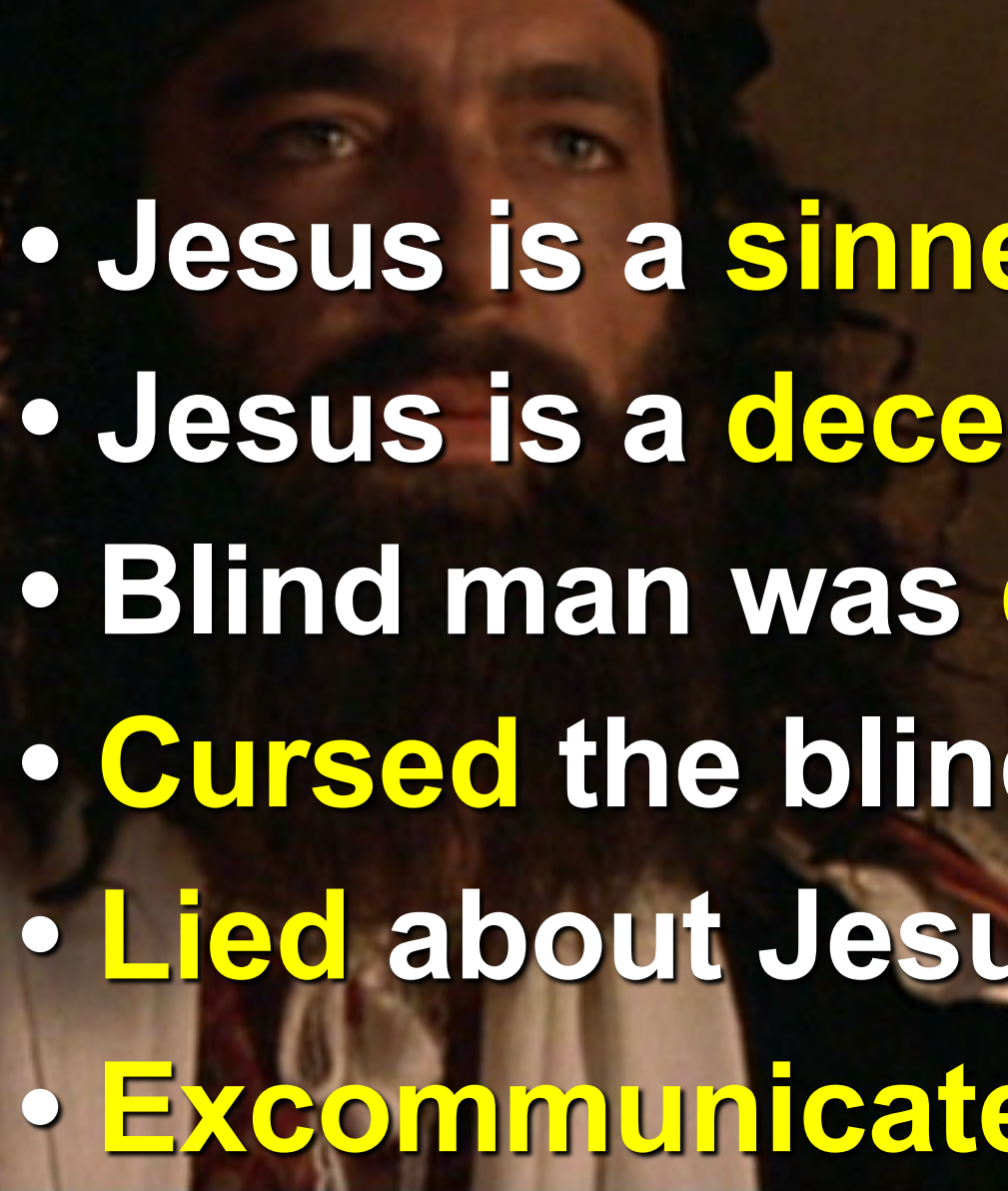
Who's the real
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The Pharisees
are blind!

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- Jesus is a **con man** (15, 18)
 - Jesus is a **Sabbath breaker** (16)
 - Blind man was **deceived** (17)
 - **Parents** will discredit him (19)
 - **Excommunication** threat (22)
 - **Curse** in God's name (24a)

Who's the real
blind man?

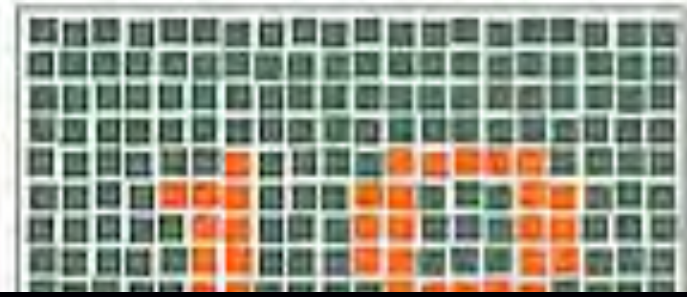
The Pharisees
are blind!

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- Jesus is a **sinner** (24b)
 - Jesus is a **deceiver** (26)
 - Blind man was **deceived** (26)
 - **Cursed** the blind man (28)
 - **Lied** about Jesus' origin (29)
 - **Excommunicated** blind man (34)

How can you avoid spiritual blindness? Respond in faith to what you **know now about Jesus!**



The Main Idea of John 9



I. Jesus makes the blind see.

II. Jesus changes people's lives.

III. Jesus deserves worship as God.



Are you color blind?



Helen Keller
(1880-1968)

**Whoever wants healing from
spiritual blindness must believe
that Jesus is God.**



Purpose #1

Jesus Healed the Blind Man

Reveal the Truth

9:1-7

Deity of Christ

9:1 Man born blind

We are blind spiritually at birth thus need rebirth which only God can provide

9:2-4a "Rabbi, who sinned....? God might be displayed in Him."

Christ's ability to cure our spiritual blindness shows him to be God

9:4b-5 Day and Night

He was sent by God to work but his work ceased during His crucifixion-resurrection

Deity of Christ

9:6 Mud and saliva

Irenaeus believed the action was to show Christ is the Creator (cf. Gen. 2:7)

9:7 Siloam means "Sent"

Jesus was "Sent" by God

Water symbolized the Holy Spirit so that the blind man was born of water and the Spirit (cf. 3:5)

What is the Truth of Verses 1-7?

**Jesus is the Son of God because
He was sent by God to give
Spiritual Truth to the blind**

- **“There was the true Light which coming into the world, enlightens every man” (1:9)**
- **“Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God” (3:3)**

Purpose #2

Jesus Healed the Blind Man

Reveal the Blind

9:8-34

John 10

Who or what are you listening to?



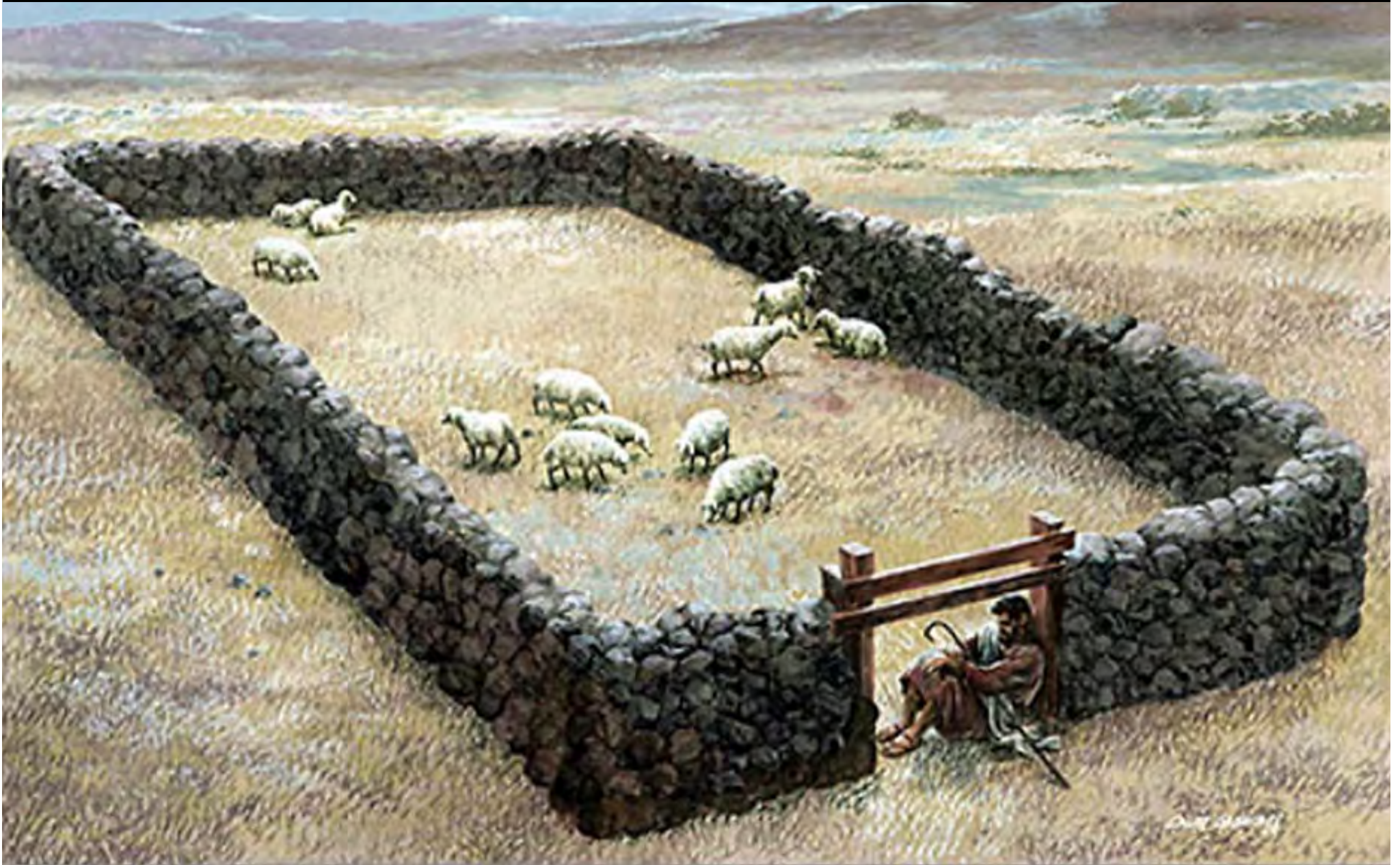
How does Jesus look at sheep?



"After he has gathered his own flock, he walks ahead of them, and they follow him because they know his voice"—John 10:4 NLT



**So he explained it to them:
“I tell you the truth, I am the gate for the sheep.”
—John 10:7 NLT**





C. S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*, 55-56

"I am here trying to prevent anyone saying the really foolish thing that people often say about Him: 'I'm ready to accept Jesus as a great moral teacher, but I don't accept His claim to be God.' That is the one thing we must not say. A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic—on a level with the man who says he is a poached egg—or else he would be the Devil of Hell. You must make your choice. Either this man was, and is, the Son of God: or else a madman or something worse. You can shut Him up for a fool, you can spit at Him and kill Him as a demon; or you can fall at His feet and call Him Lord and God. But let us not come with any patronising nonsense about His being a great human teacher. He has not left that open to us. He did not intend to."

SAMARIA

**Withdrawal
from Judea
(John
10:40-42)**

River Jordan

PEREA

Jerusalem



Bethany



JUDEA

Salt Sea

0 5 MILES



0 8 KM

John 11



John 11:1–12:2
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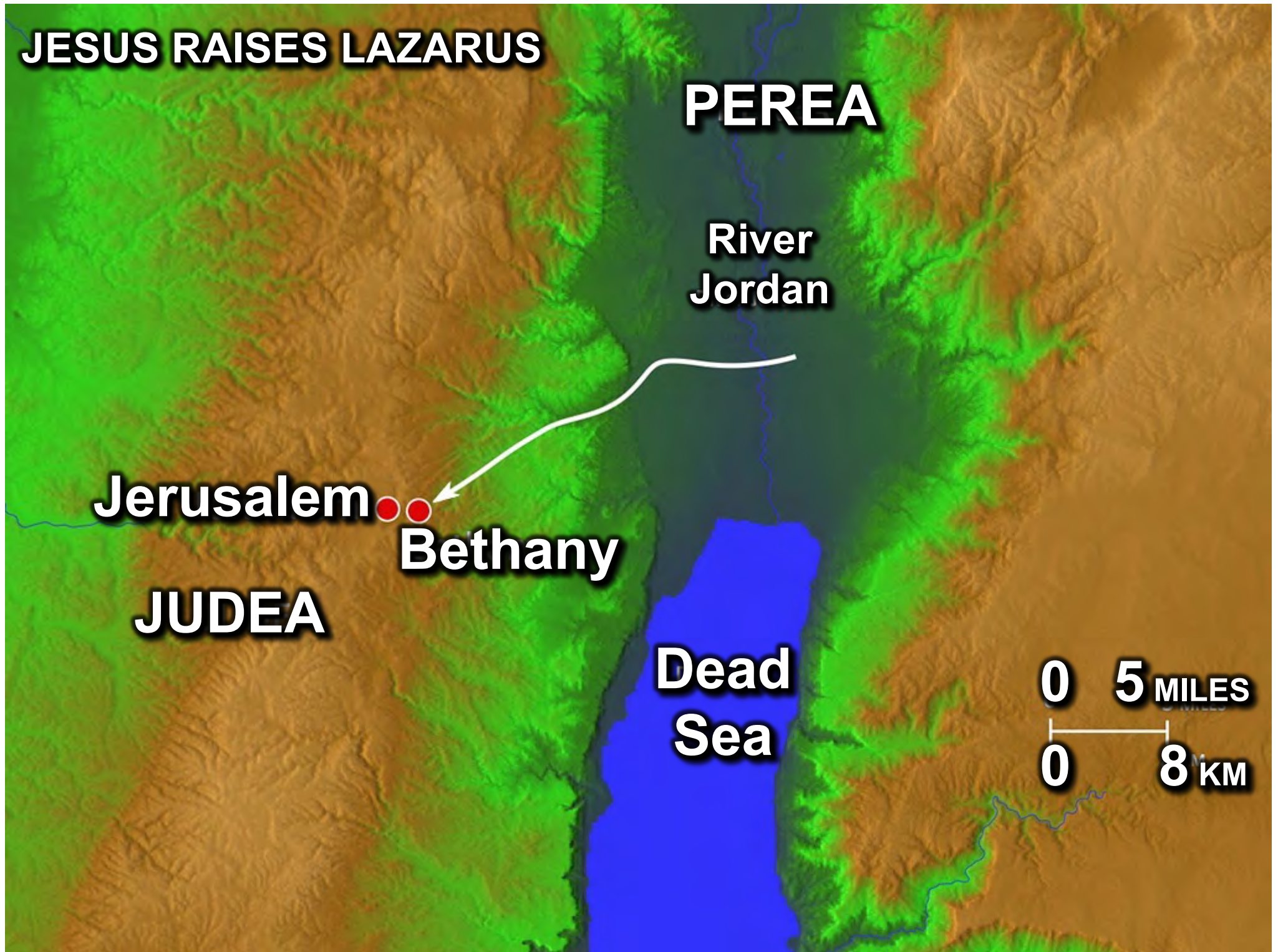
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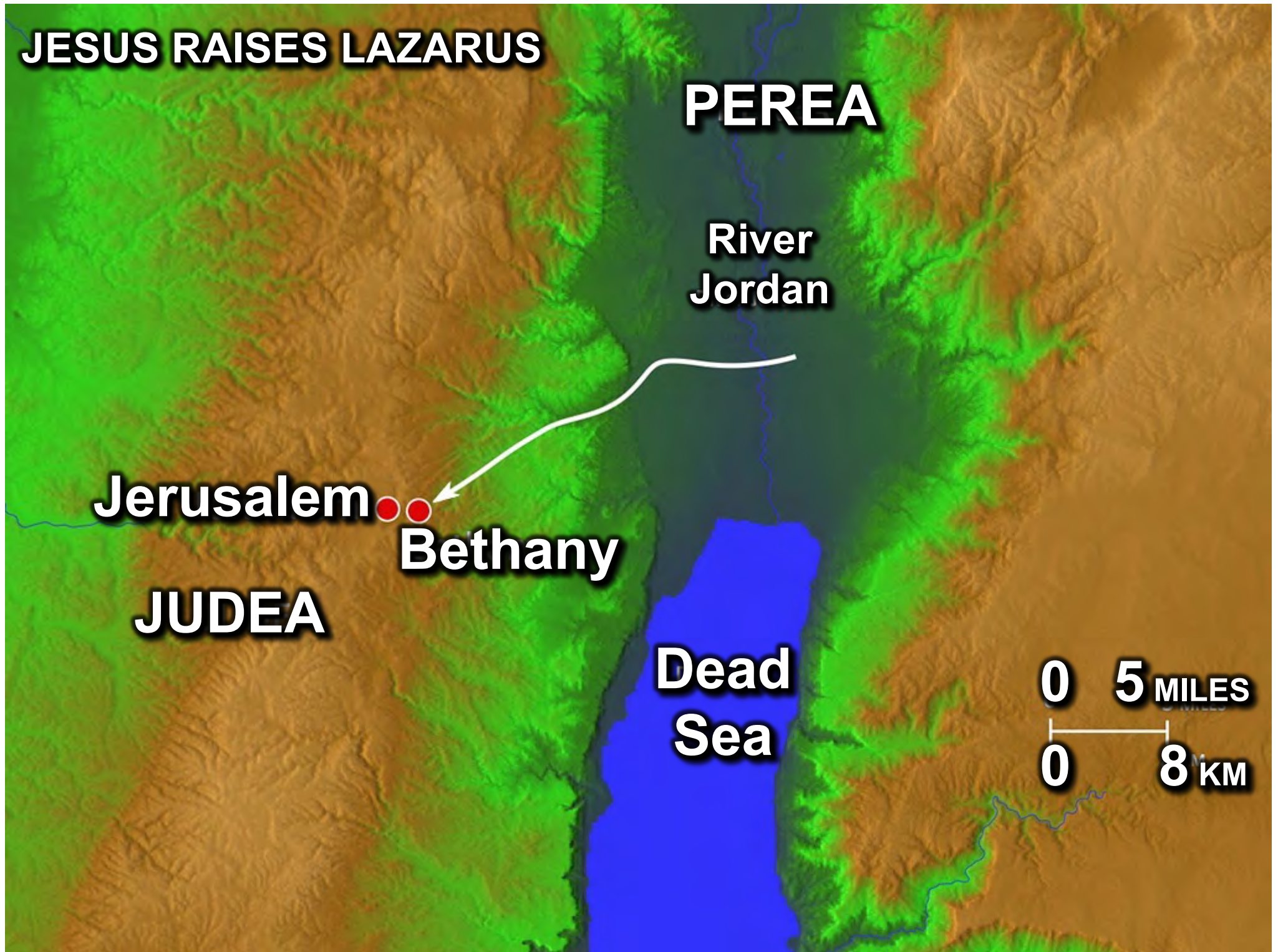
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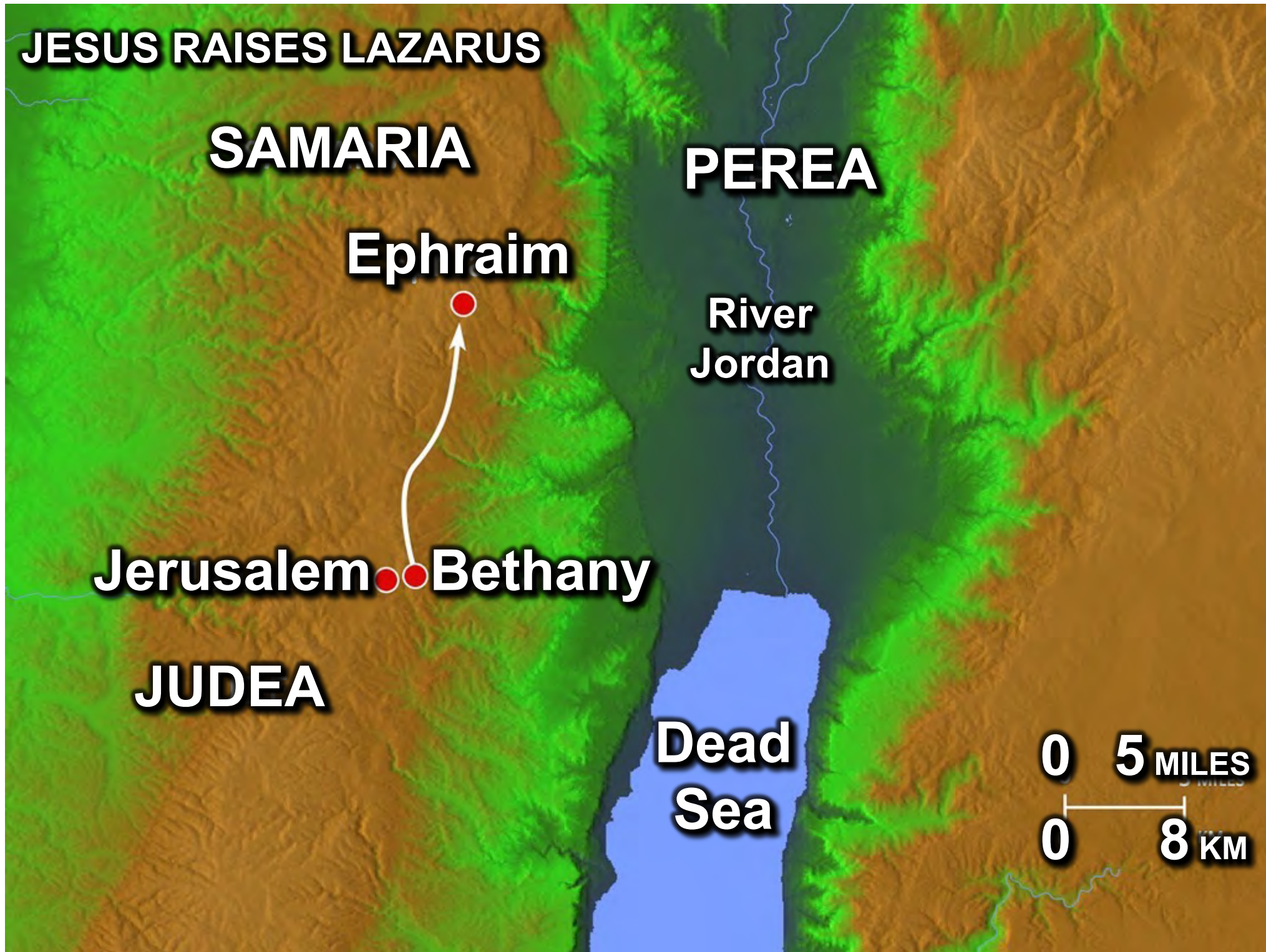
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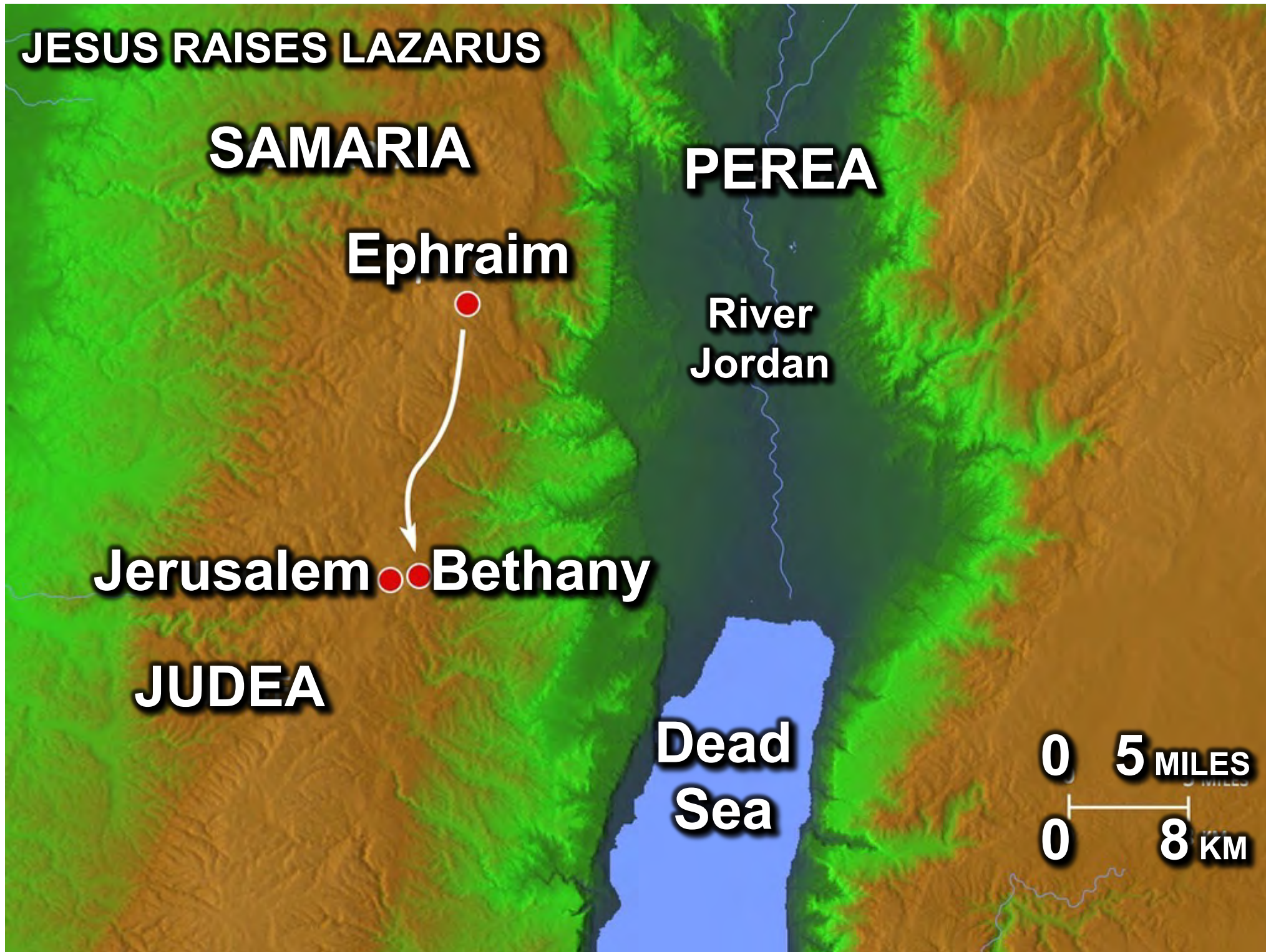
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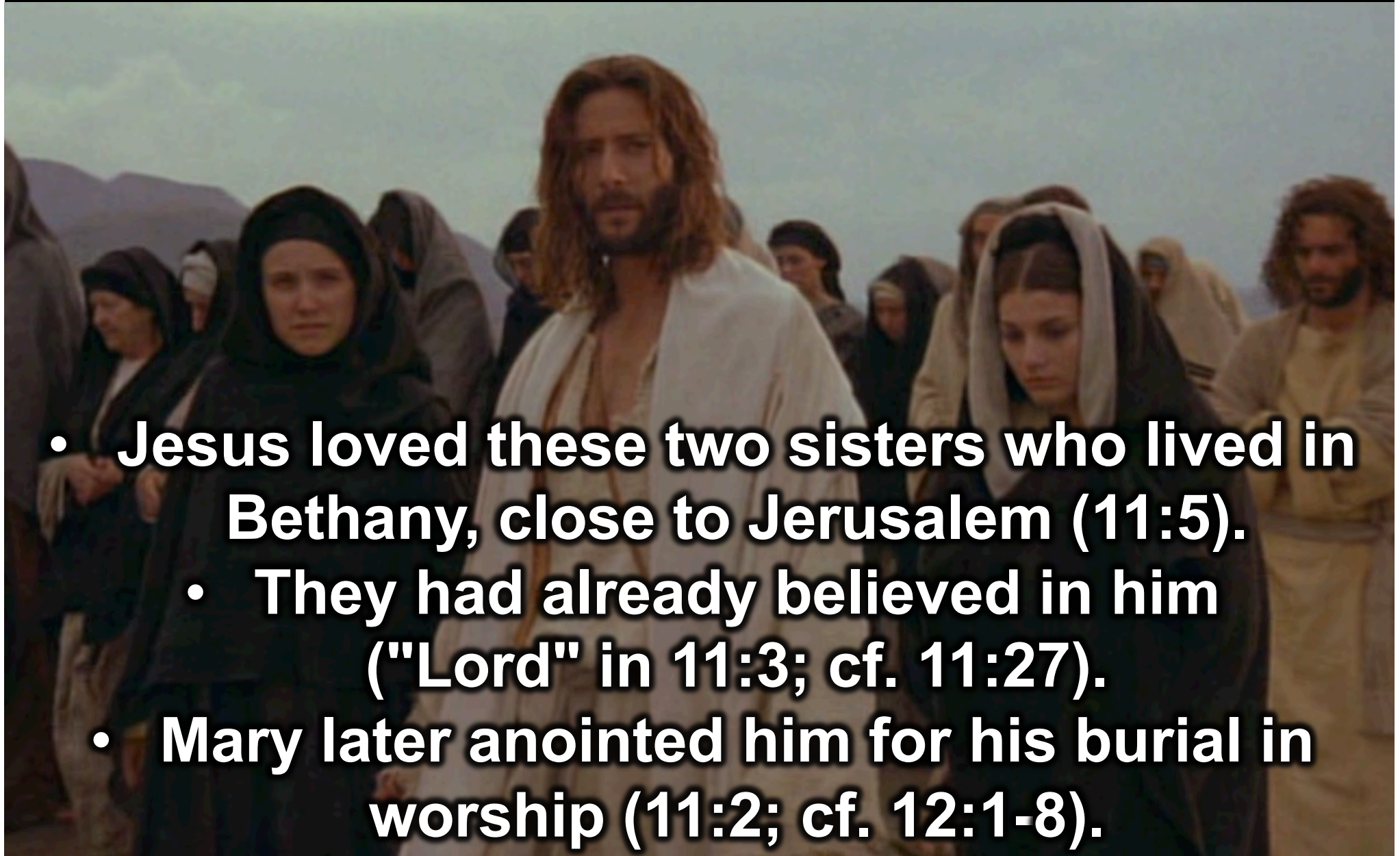
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Jesus, Mary & Martha (John 11)



- **Jesus loved these two sisters who lived in Bethany, close to Jerusalem (11:5).**
 - **They had already believed in him ("Lord" in 11:3; cf. 11:27).**
- **Mary later anointed him for his burial in worship (11:2; cf. 12:1-8).**

Martha (John 11)



Mary (John 11)



Martha & Mary (John 11)



Martha Contrasted with Mary in John 11

Issue

Martha Contrasted with Mary in John 11

Issue	Martha	Mary
1. Gender Equality	Martha advocates for gender equality, believing that men and women should have equal rights and opportunities in the workplace and society.	Mary is more conservative, believing that men and women have different roles and responsibilities, and that women should focus on their families.
2. Environmental Protection	Martha is a strong supporter of environmental protection, believing that we have a responsibility to protect the planet for future generations.	Mary is more focused on economic growth and development, and is less concerned with environmental issues.
3. Education	Martha believes that education is the key to a better future, and that everyone should have access to quality education.	Mary believes that education is important, but she is more focused on practical skills and vocational training.
4. Healthcare	Martha supports universal healthcare, believing that everyone should have access to affordable medical care.	Mary believes in a free-market approach to healthcare, where competition and innovation drive down costs.
5. Taxation	Martha supports higher taxes on the wealthy and corporations, believing that this is the best way to fund social programs and infrastructure.	Mary supports lower taxes, believing that this will encourage economic growth and job creation.
6. Immigration	Martha is more open to immigration, believing that it can bring new skills and perspectives to the country.	Mary is more restrictive, believing that immigration should be controlled and that only those with specific skills should be allowed.
7. Foreign Policy	Martha supports a more active role for the United States in the world, believing that we should promote democracy and human rights.	Mary is more isolationist, believing that the United States should focus on its own interests and not get involved in foreign conflicts.

The **WOMAN**
with the
ALABASTER JAR



Mary
Magdalen
and the
Holy
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As featured in
The
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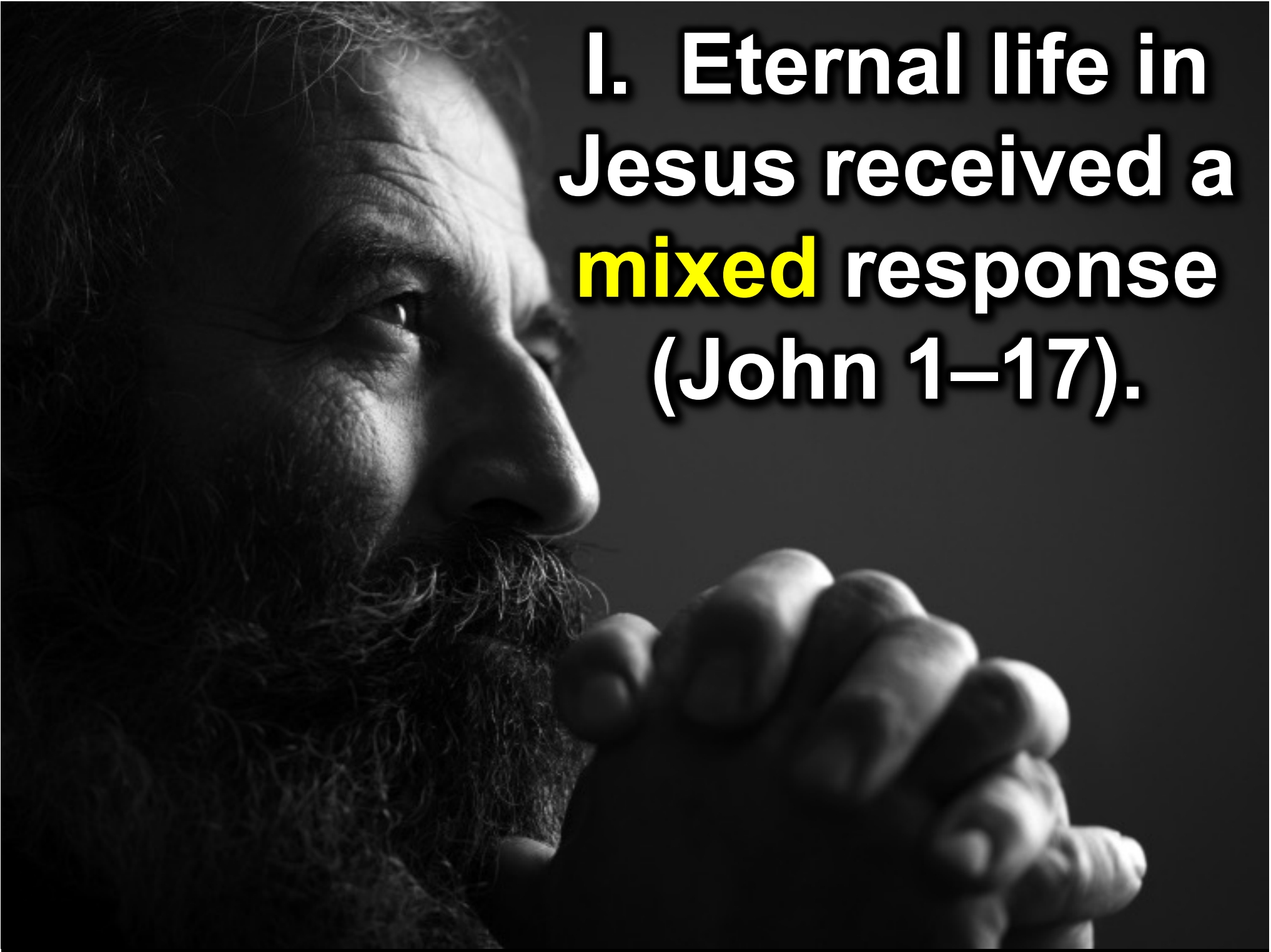
MARGARET STARBIRD

Was Mary
Magdalene
the Woman with the
Alabaster Jar?

*No. In Luke she is not
named but in the other
gospels she is clearly
Mary of Bethany*

How can you obtain **eternal** life?



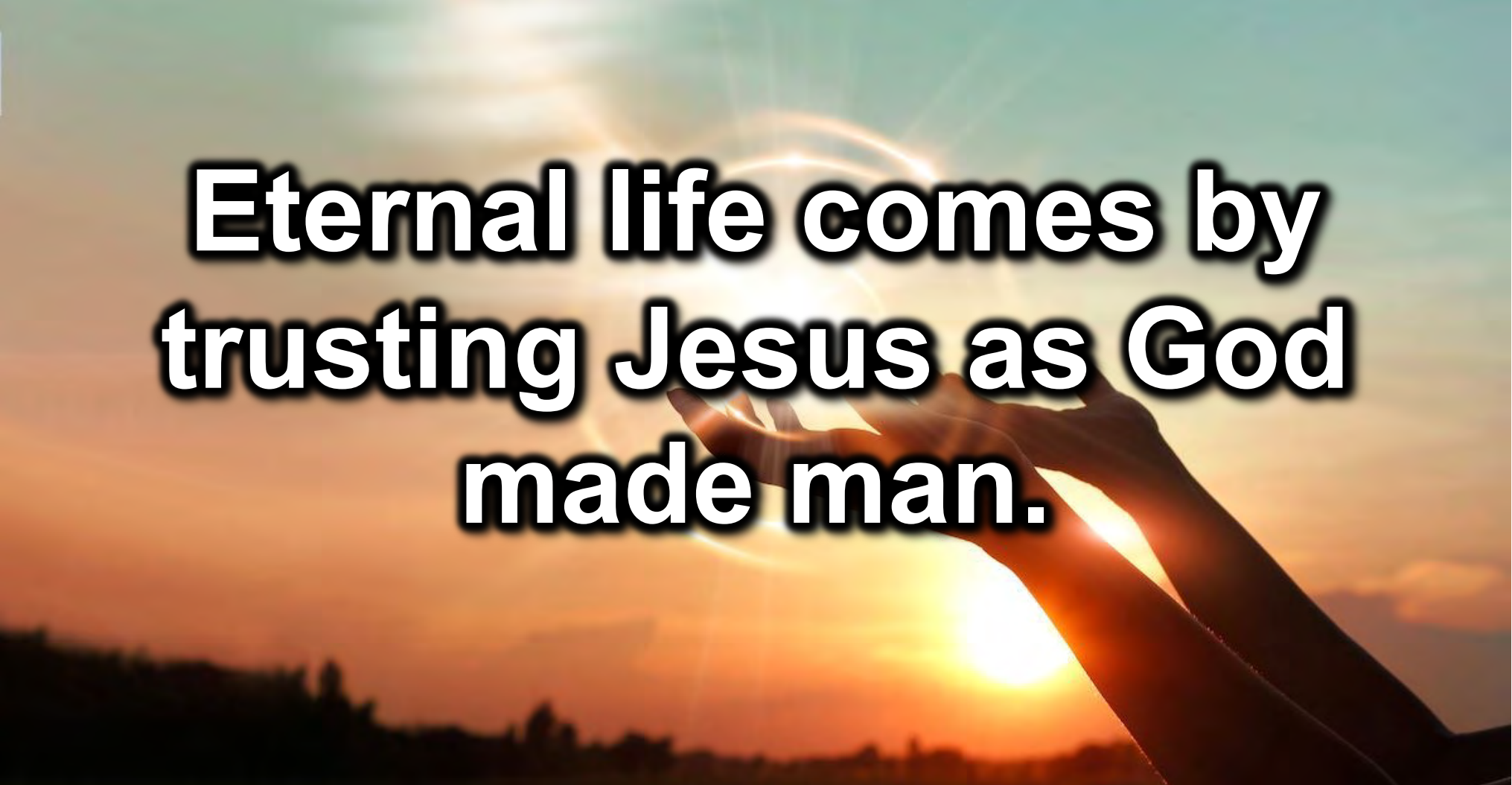


I. Eternal life in
Jesus received a
mixed response
(John 1–17).

II. Eternal life comes by
believing that Jesus died and
rose for you (John 18–21).



Main Idea

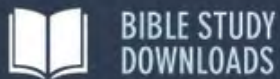
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**Eternal life comes by
trusting Jesus as God
made man.**

John



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