

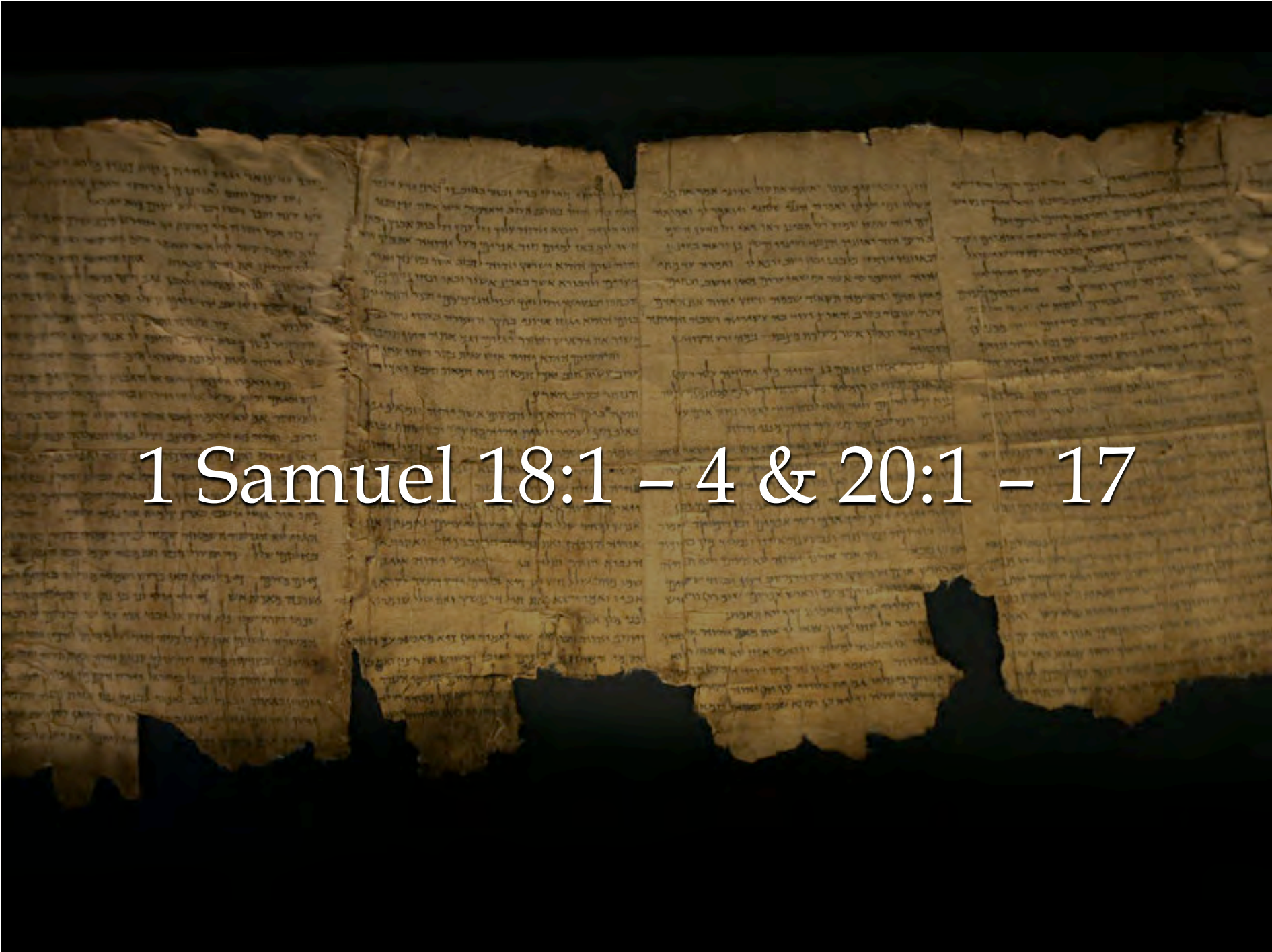
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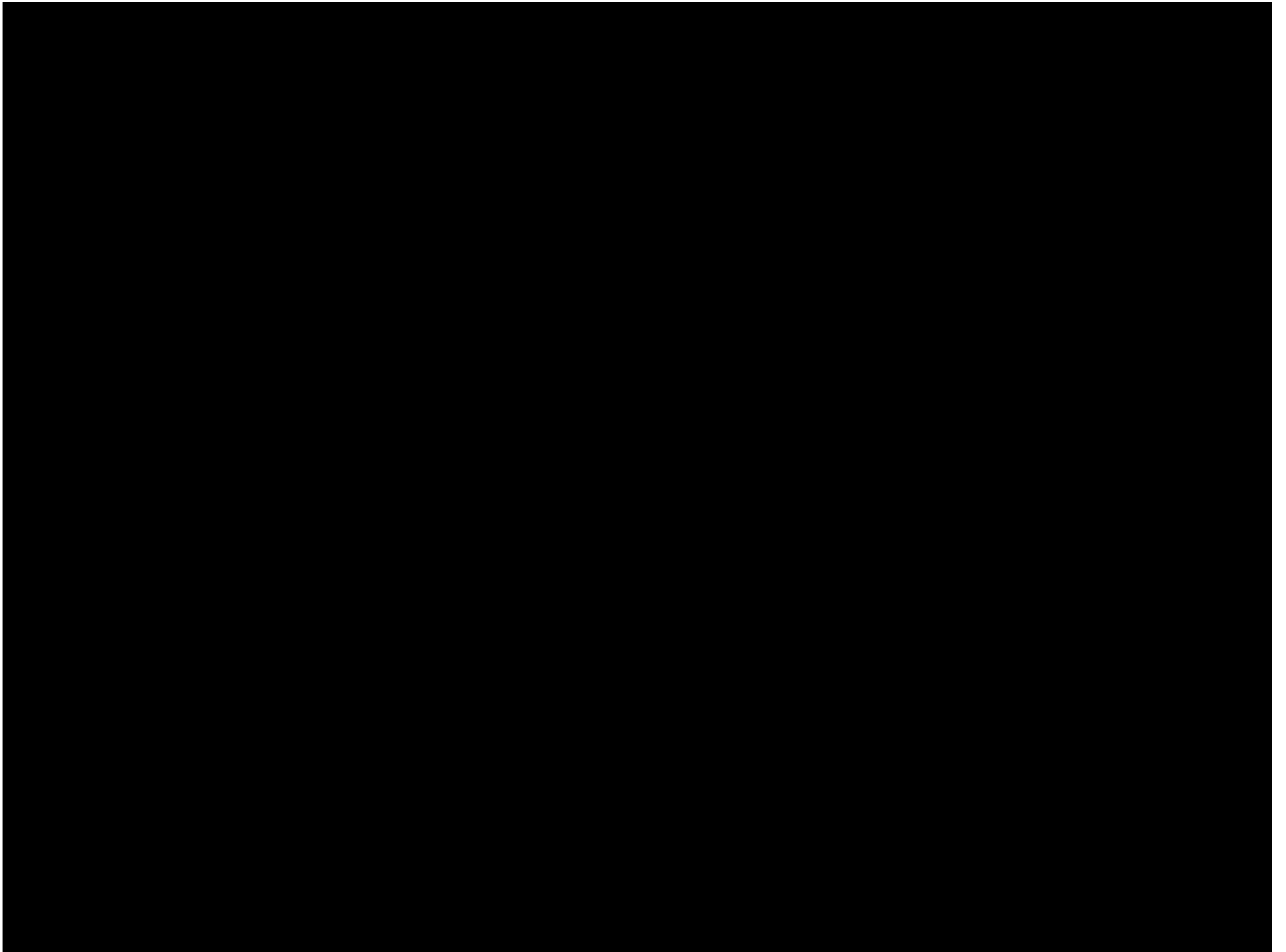
Learning from David

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1 Samuel 18:1 - 4 & 20:1 - 17



*Jonathan loved the King*

1 Samuel 18:1 & 2

“<sup>1</sup> . . .the soul of Jonathan was bound with the soul of David.”

<sup>2</sup> Jonathan loved David as much as he did his own life.

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*Lessons from the Heart*

1 Samuel 20:17

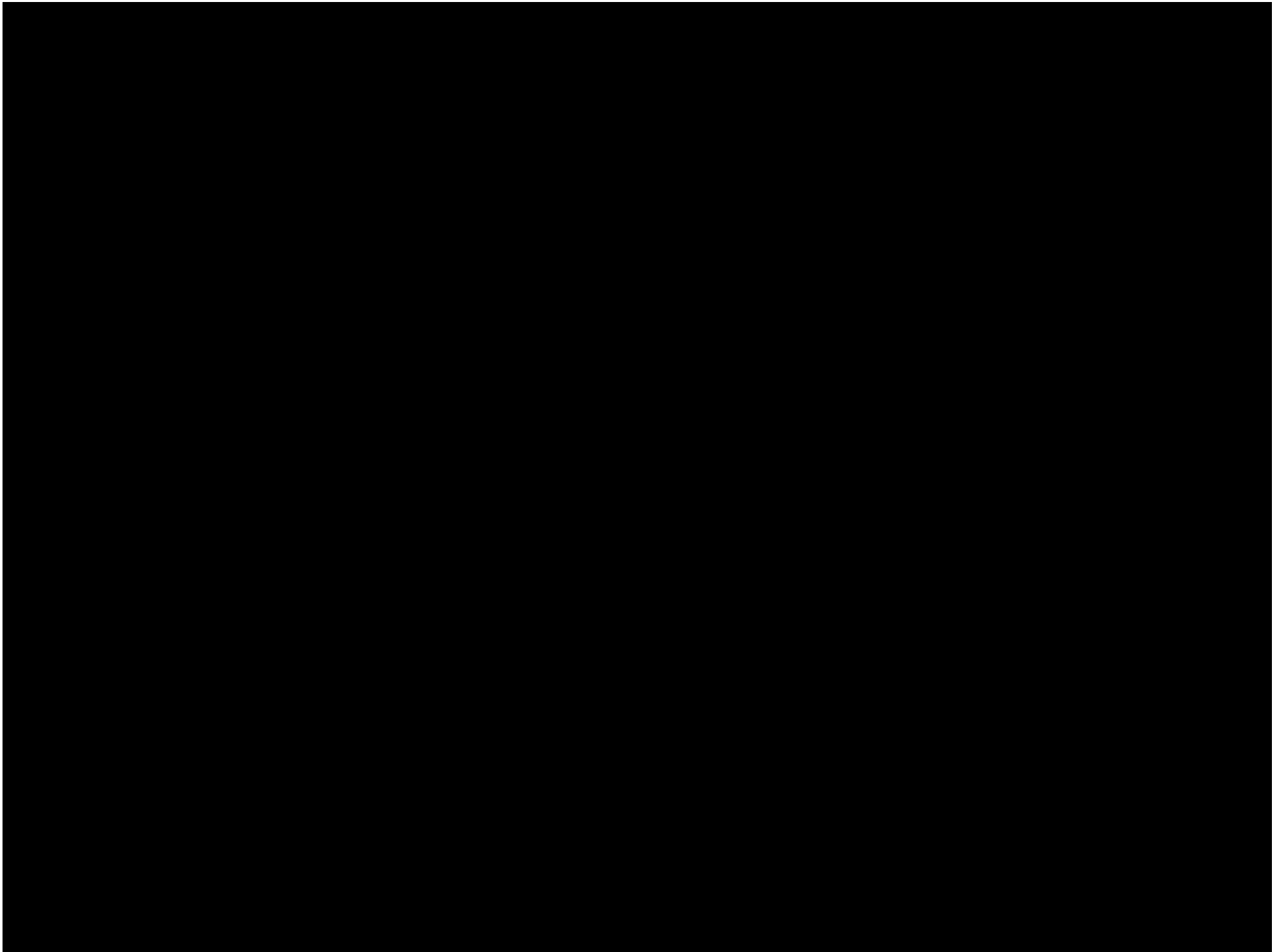
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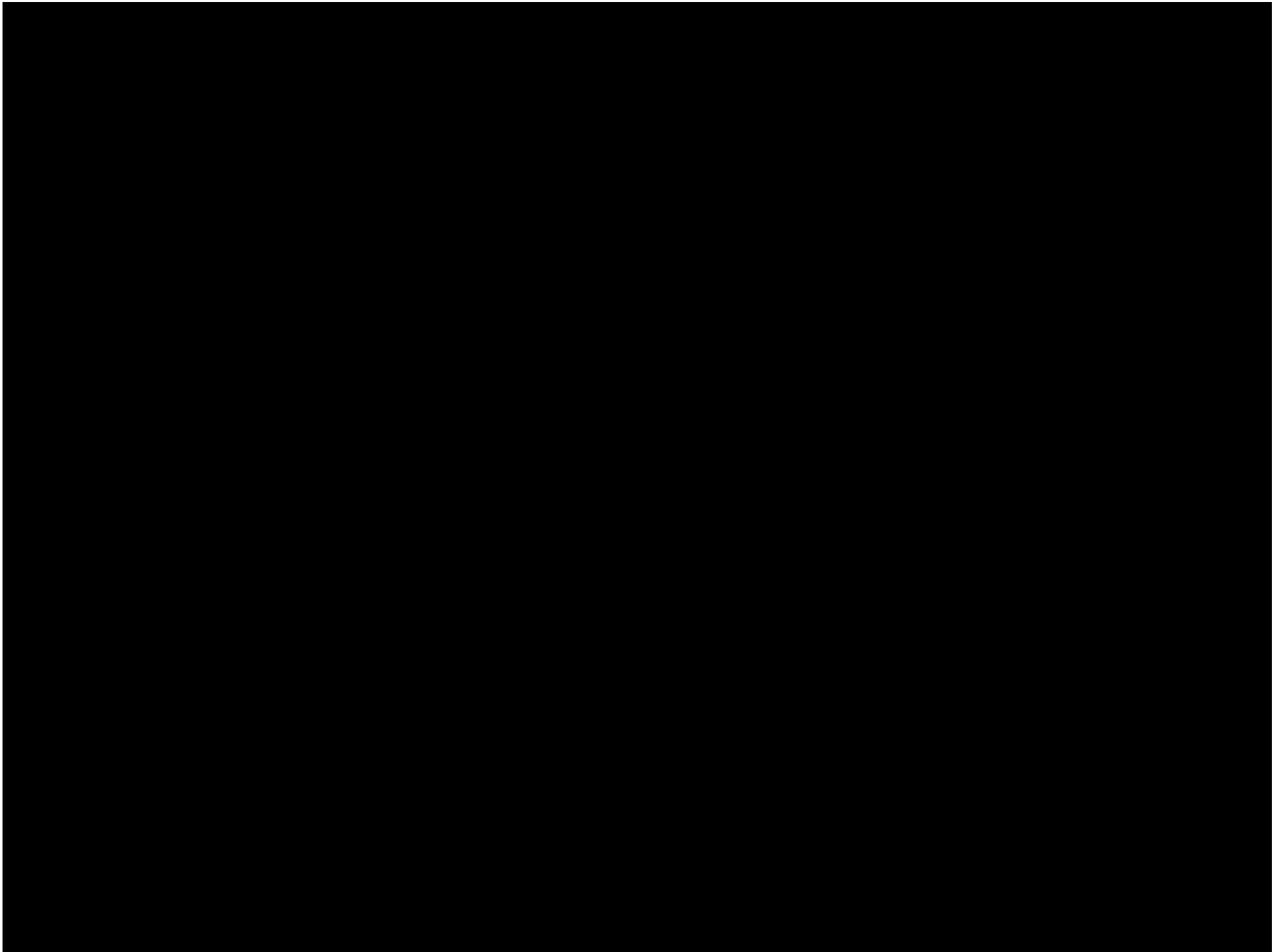
# *The NEED for Friends*

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Genesis 2:18

The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him."







# *The NEED for Friends*

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1 Samuel 20:10

“Who will tell me if your  
father answers you harshly?”

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# *The NEED for Friends*

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1 Samuel 20:14

“ . . . show me unfailing kindness like that of the LORD as long as I live, so that I may not be killed . . . ”



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Ecclesiastes 4:7 - 12

<sup>7</sup> Again I saw something meaningless under the sun:

<sup>8</sup> There was a man all alone; he had neither son nor brother.

# *The NEED for Friends*

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Ecclesiastes 4:7 - 12

There was no end to his toil, yet his eyes were not content with his wealth. “For whom am I toiling,” he asked, “and why am I depriving myself of enjoyment?” This too is meaningless — a miserable business!

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Ecclesiastes 4:7 - 12

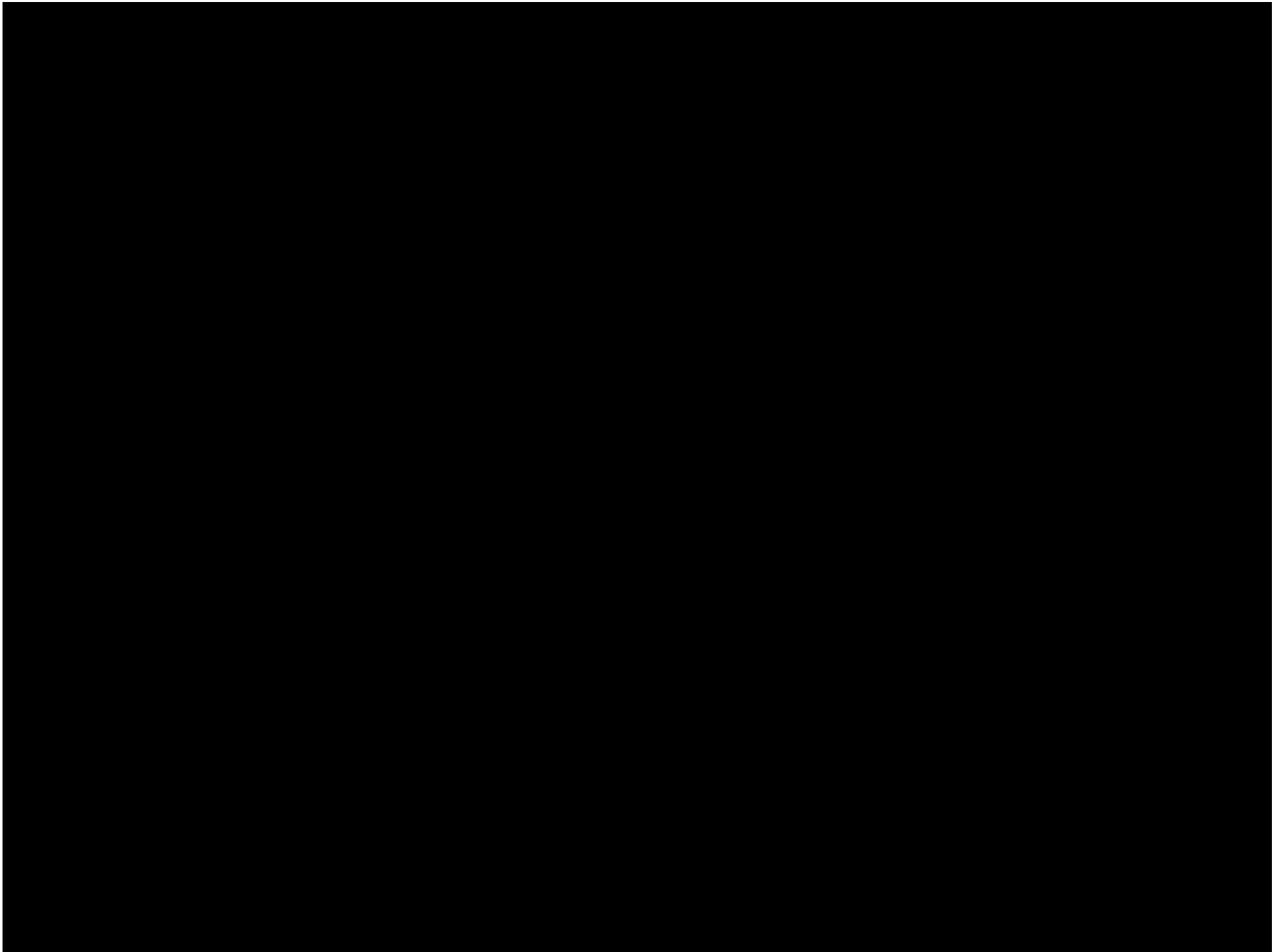
<sup>9</sup> Two are better than one,  
because they have a good return  
for their work: <sup>10</sup> If one falls  
down, his friend can help him  
up. But pity the man who falls  
and has no one to help him up!

# *The NEED for Friends*

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Ecclesiastes 4:7 - 12

<sup>11</sup> Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone? <sup>12</sup> Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.





# *The NATURE of Friendship 'hesed*

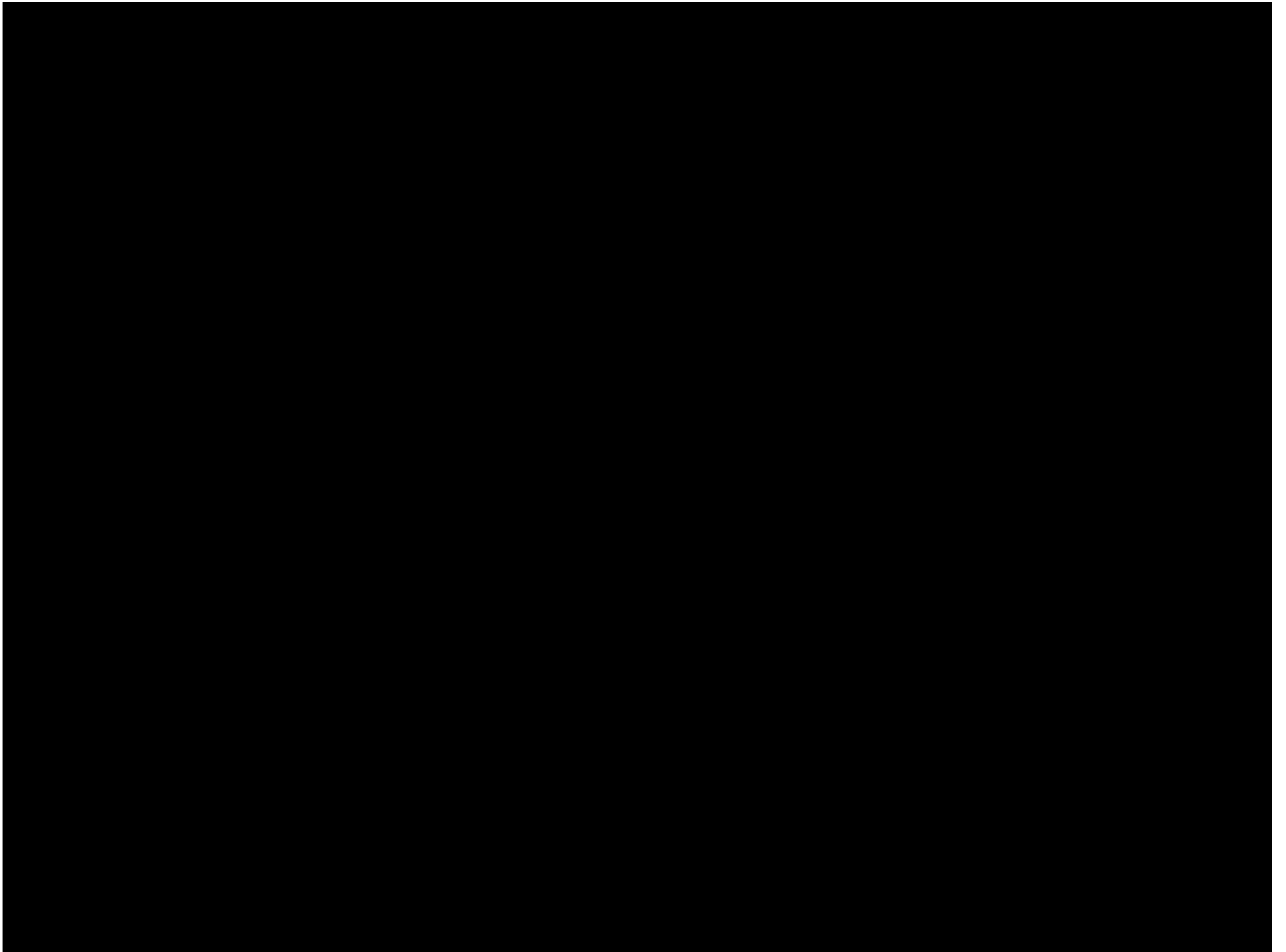
*'hesed-based friendships are selfless*

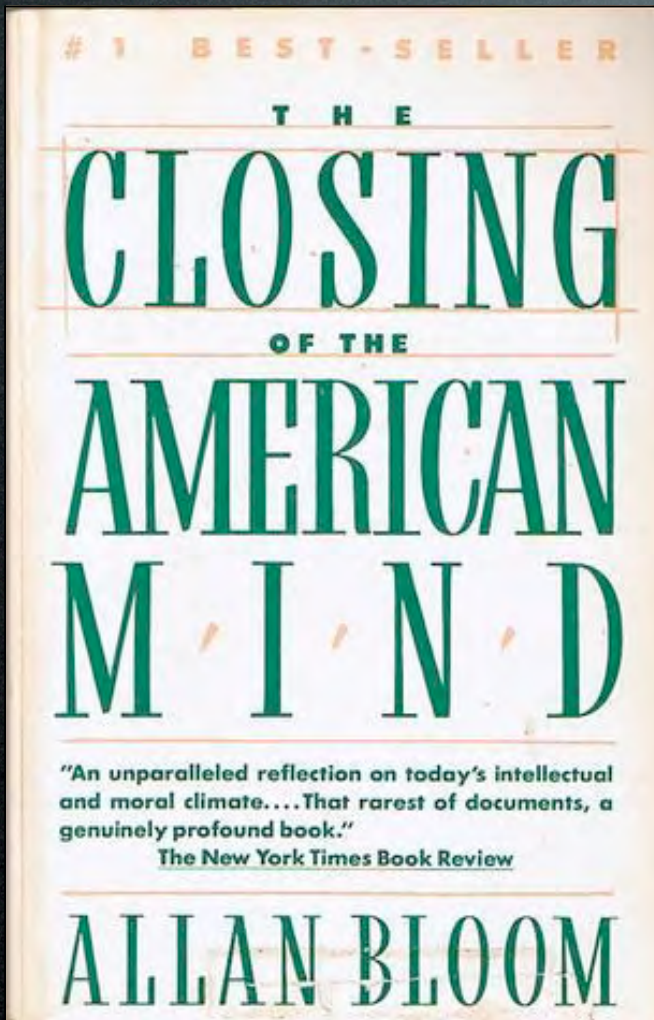
1 Samuel 18:1 - 4

re commitment to the welfare  
of another person

1 Samuel 20:1

“tell me what I can do for you.”



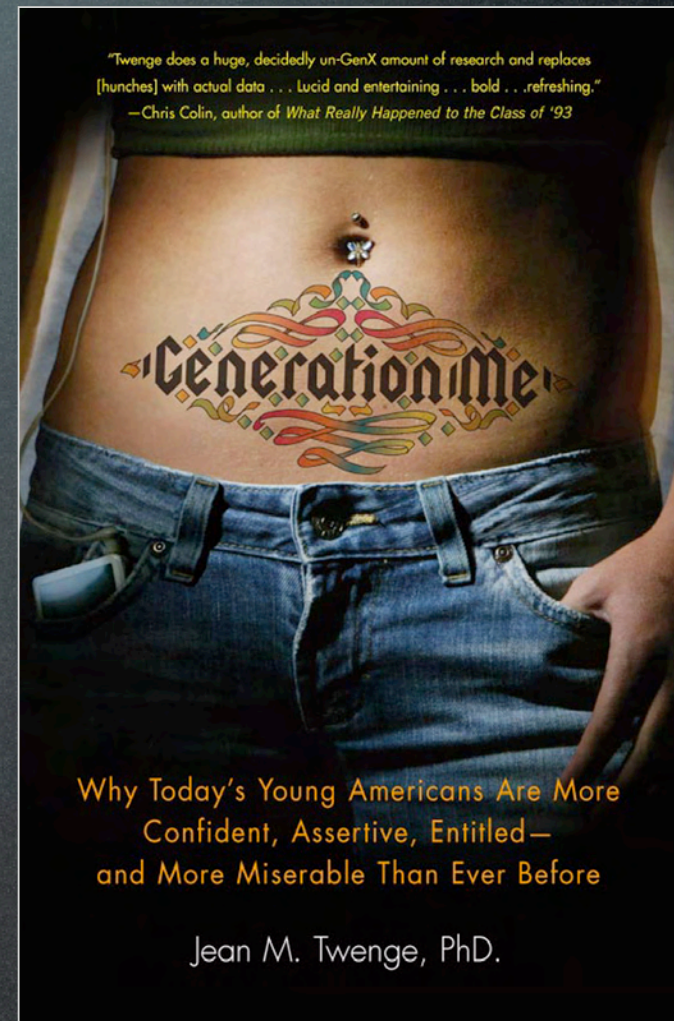


highest value = their  
own happiness

“more confident, assertive, and entitled . . .

. . . and more miserable than ever before.”

“The growing tendency to put oneself first leads to alienation, leaves us lacking basic requirements like stable close relationships, a sense of commitment, and a feeling of safety.”



# *The NATURE of Friendship* 'hesed



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'hesed-based friendships are bilaterally committed to one another's well-being

1 Samuel 20:4

“Tell me what I can do for you.”

# *The NATURE of Friendship 'hesed*

*'hesed-based friendships are bilaterally committed to one another's well-being*

1 Samuel 20:14 & 15

<sup>14</sup> While I am still alive, extend to me the loyalty of the Lord, or else I will die! <sup>15</sup>

Don't ever cut off your loyalty to my family, not even when the Lord has cut off every one of David's enemies from the face of the earth . . .

## Philippians 2

<sup>6</sup> Who, being in very nature God,  
did not consider equality with  
God something to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>  
but made himself nothing . . .



## Philippians 2

<sup>4</sup> Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. <sup>5</sup>  
Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus . . .

## Proverbs 3:3 & 4

<sup>3</sup> Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. <sup>4</sup> Then you will win favor and a good name in the sight of God and man.

# *The NATURE of Friendship 'hesed*

*'hesed-based friendships are not blindly loyal  
but they are boldly truthful*

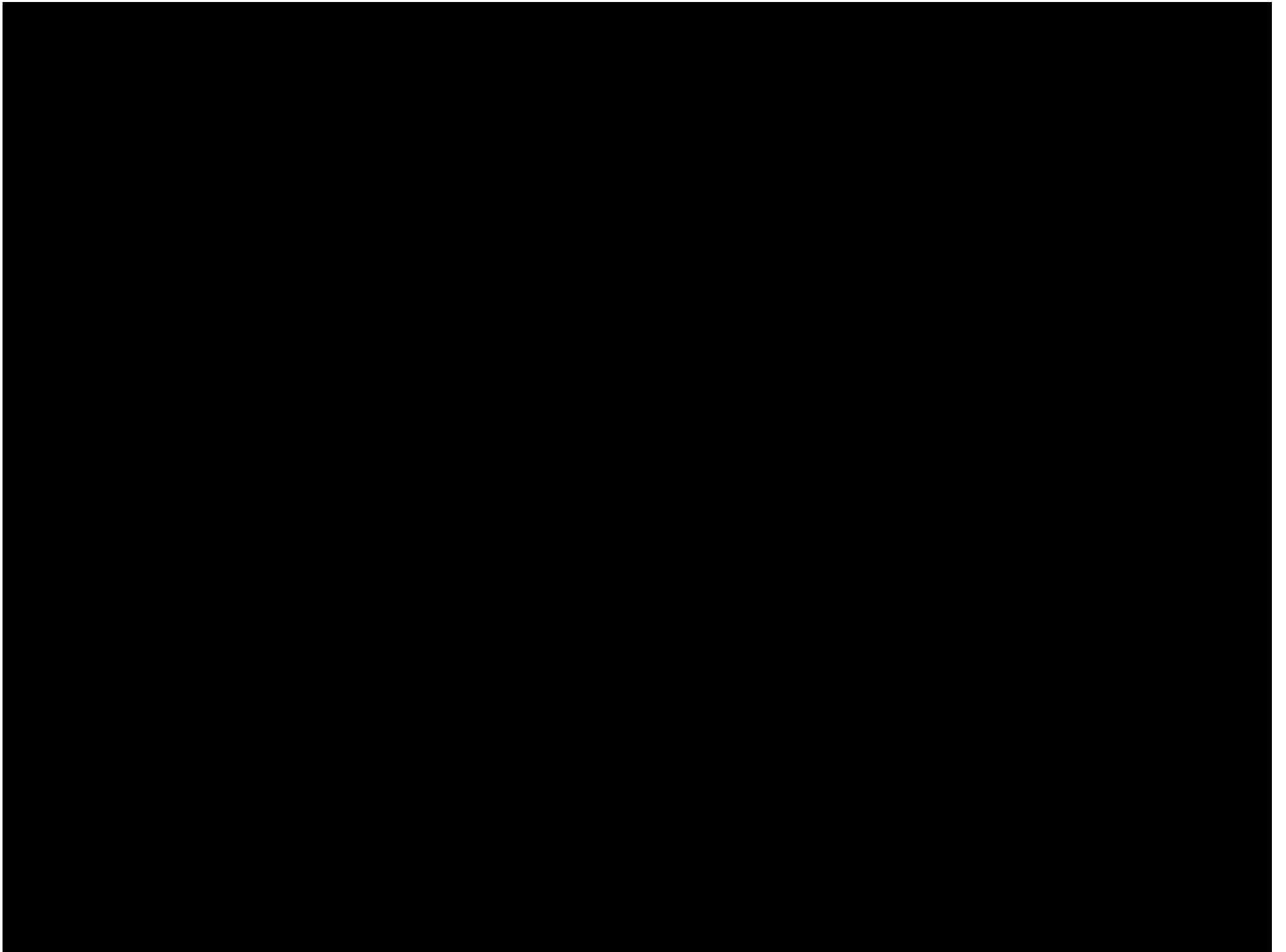
1 Samuel 20:1

*“What have I done? What is my  
crime? How have I wronged  
your father . . . ?”*

Proverbs 27:6

“Wounds from a sincere friend are better than many kisses from an enemy.”

NLT



# *The NATURE of Friendship 'hesed*

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*'hesed-based friendships are intentional -  
they're cultivated over time*

# *The SOURCE of Friendship*

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1 Samuel 20:14

“ . . . show me unfailing kindness *like that of the LORD* as long as I live, so that I may not be killed . . . ”

## 2 Corinthians 8:9

“ . . . though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.”



