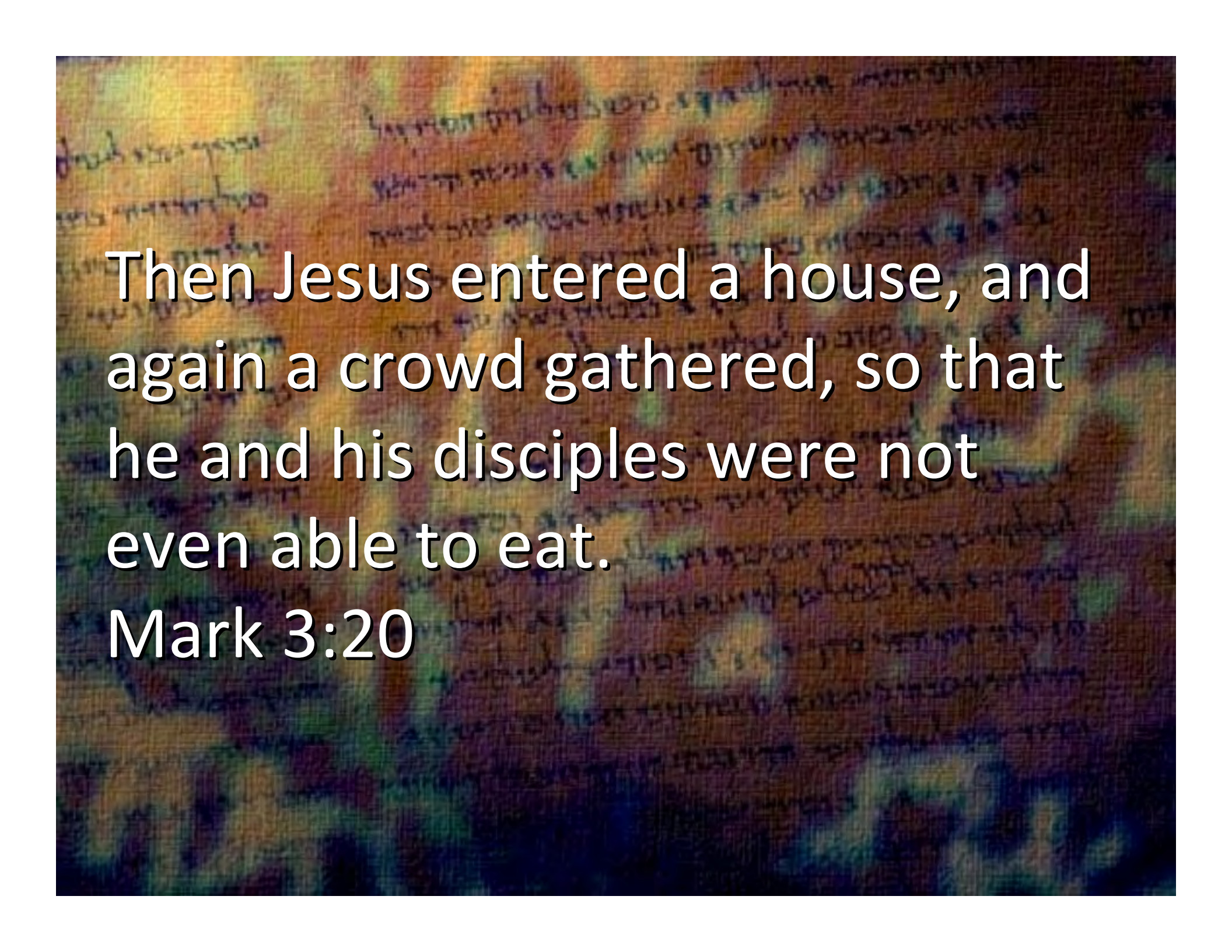


# The Servant King

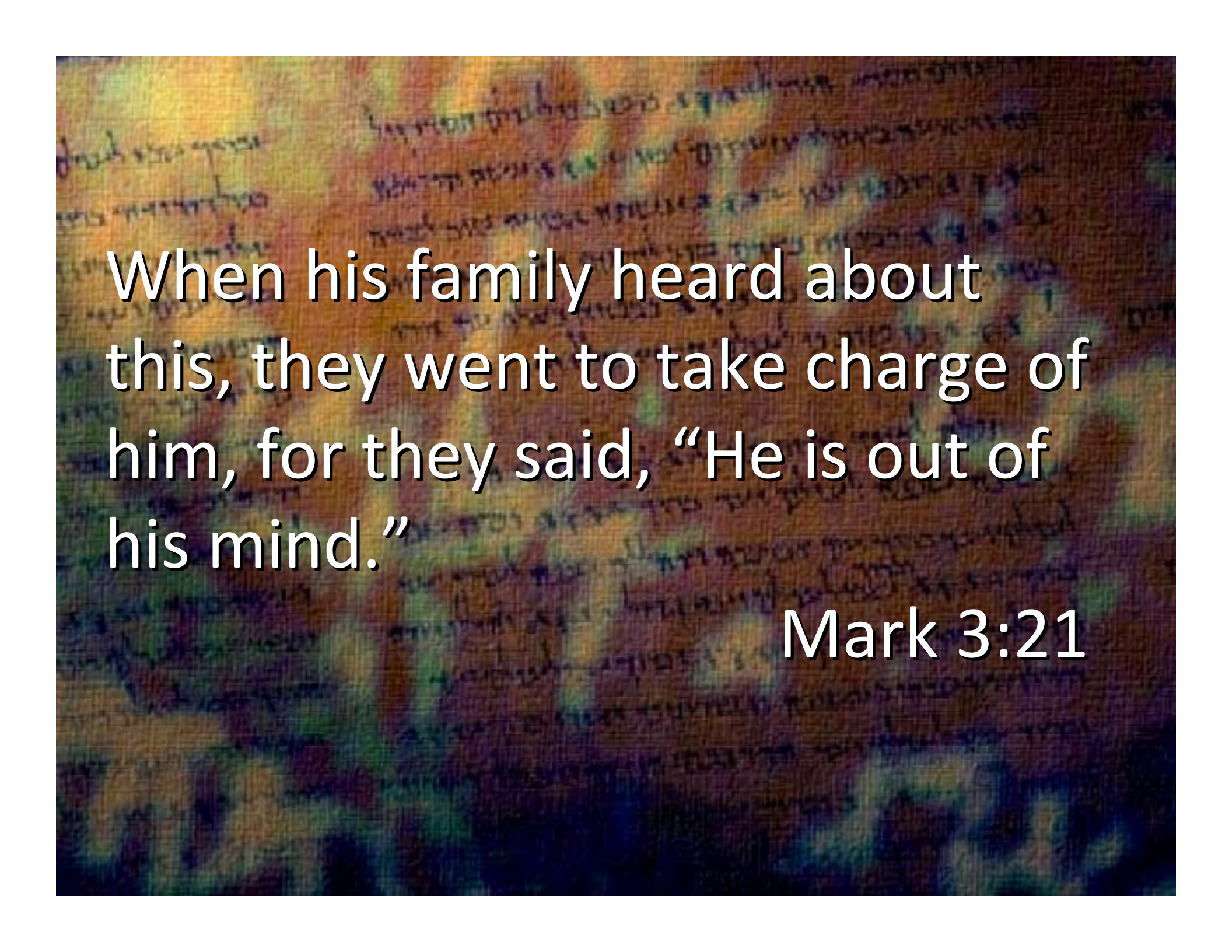


The story of the *King*... who came to *serve*.



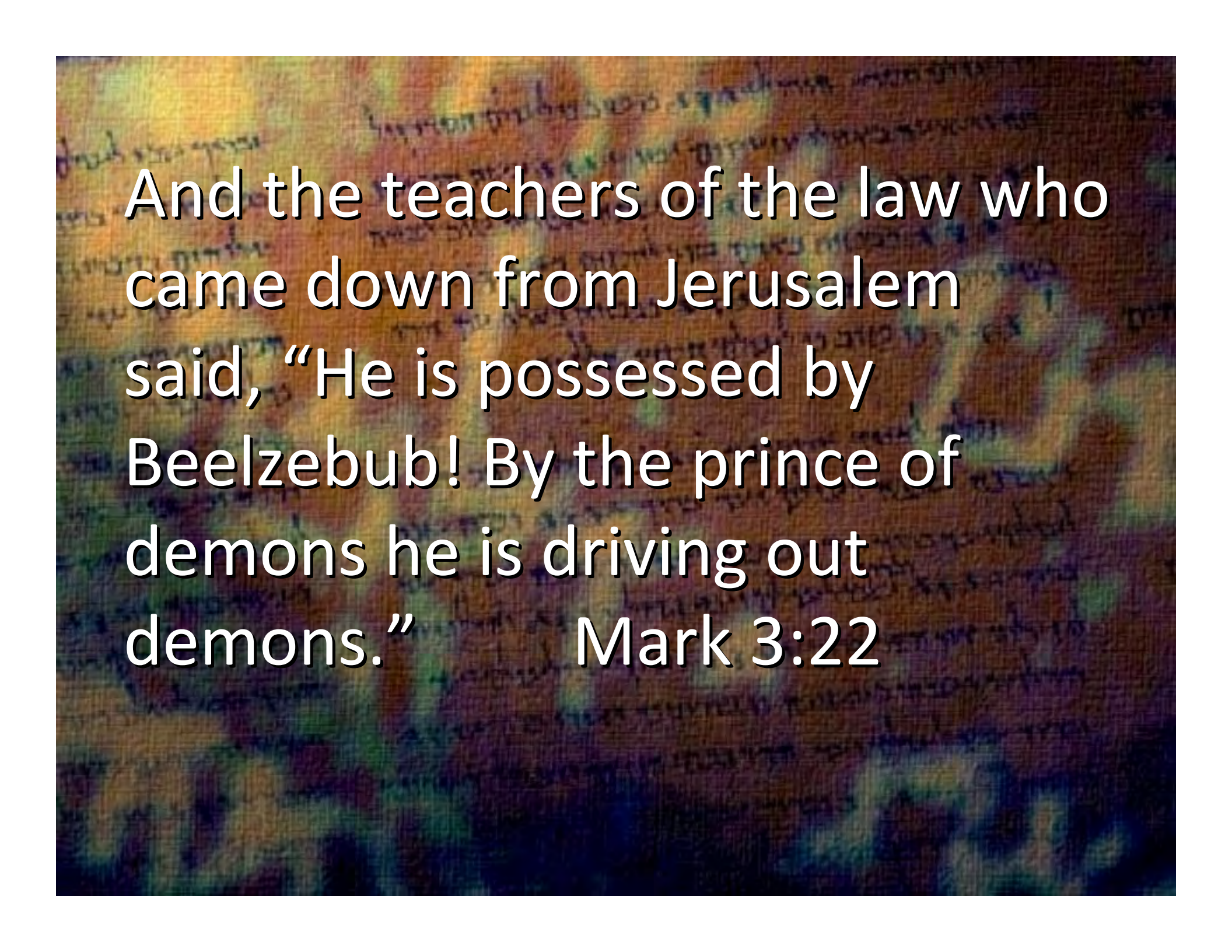
Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat.

Mark 3:20



When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, "He is out of his mind."

Mark 3:21



And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, “He is possessed by Beelzebub! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons.” Mark 3:22

The Gospels were written to  
close to the life of Jesus to have  
been legends.



The content of these Gospels is  
way to counter-productive.



2000 years ago no one wrote  
fictional stories like that.





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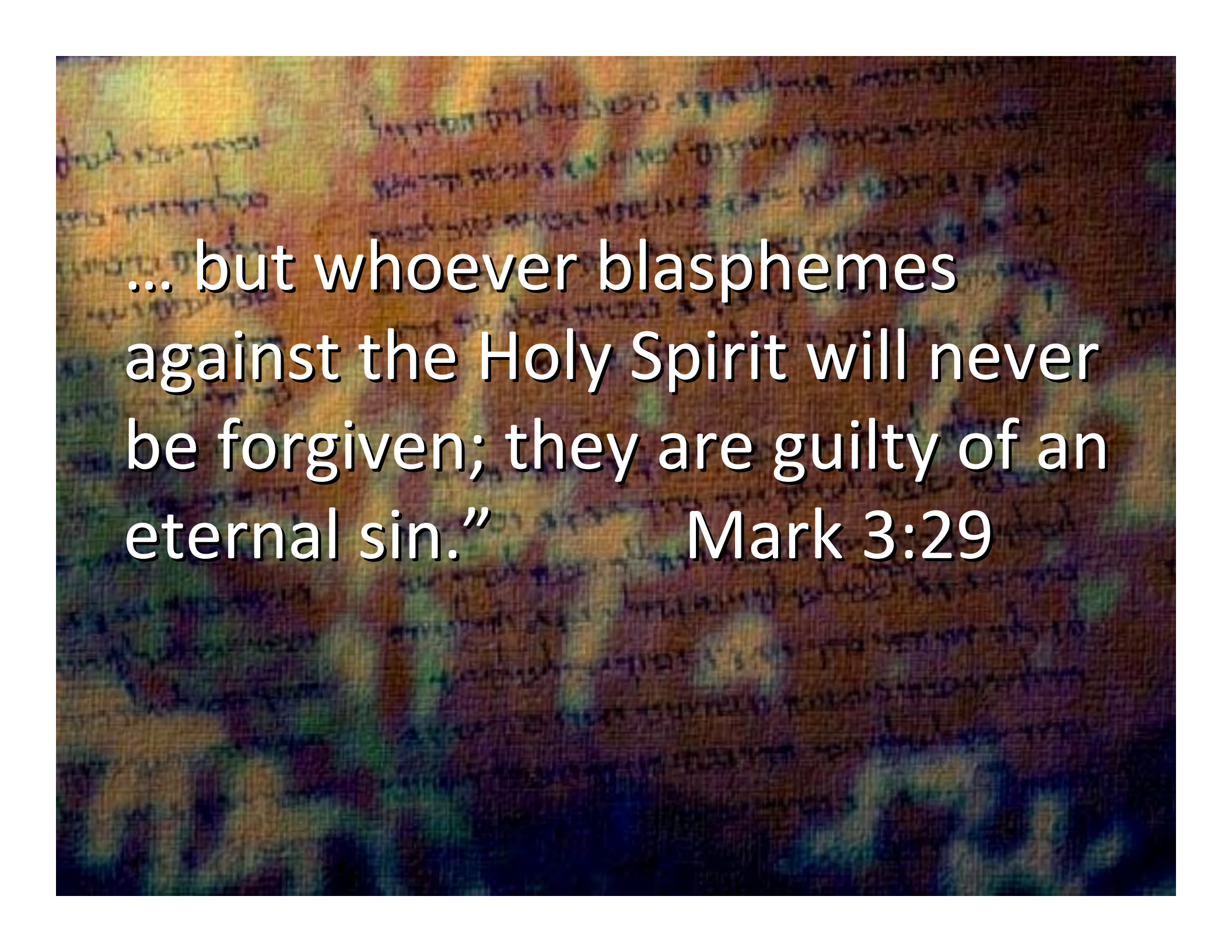
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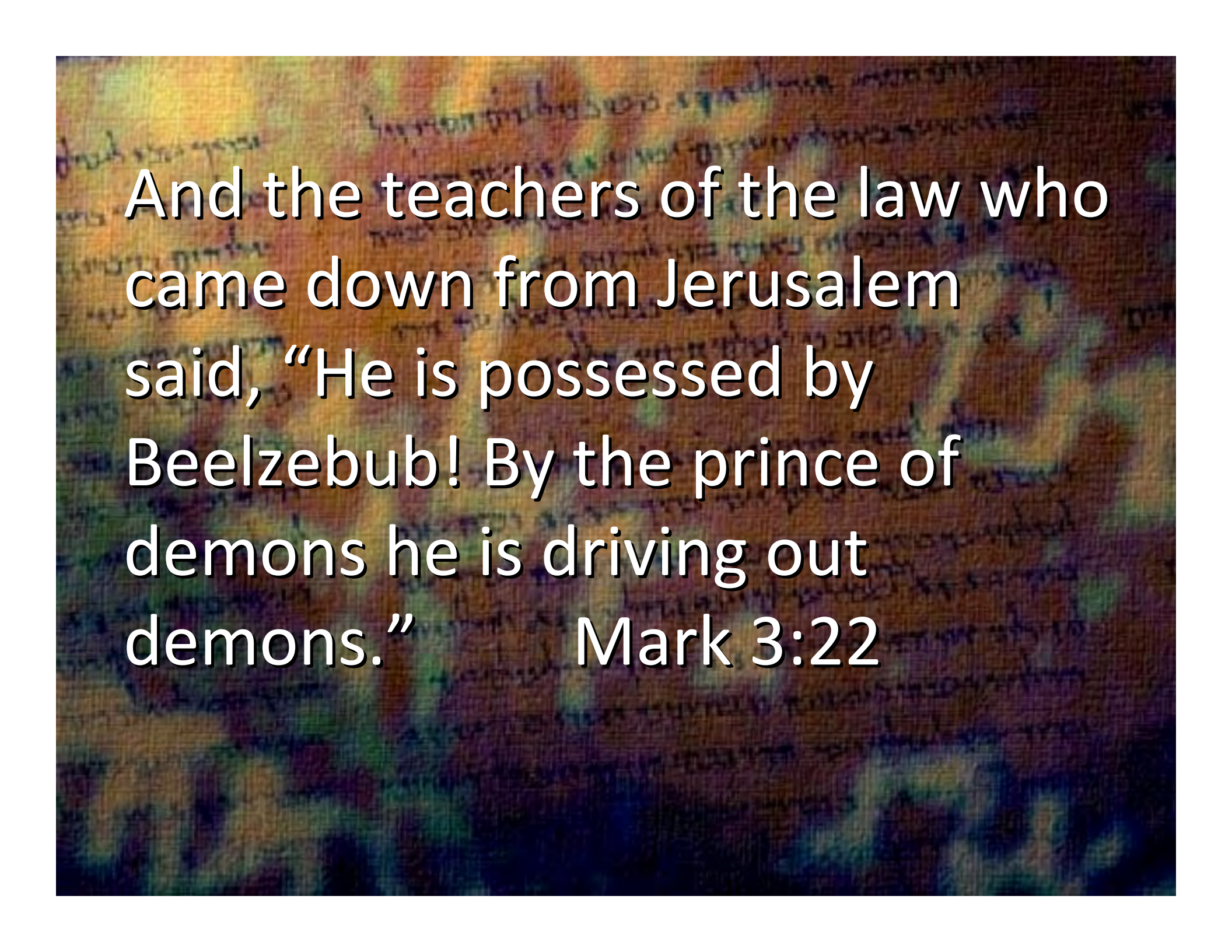


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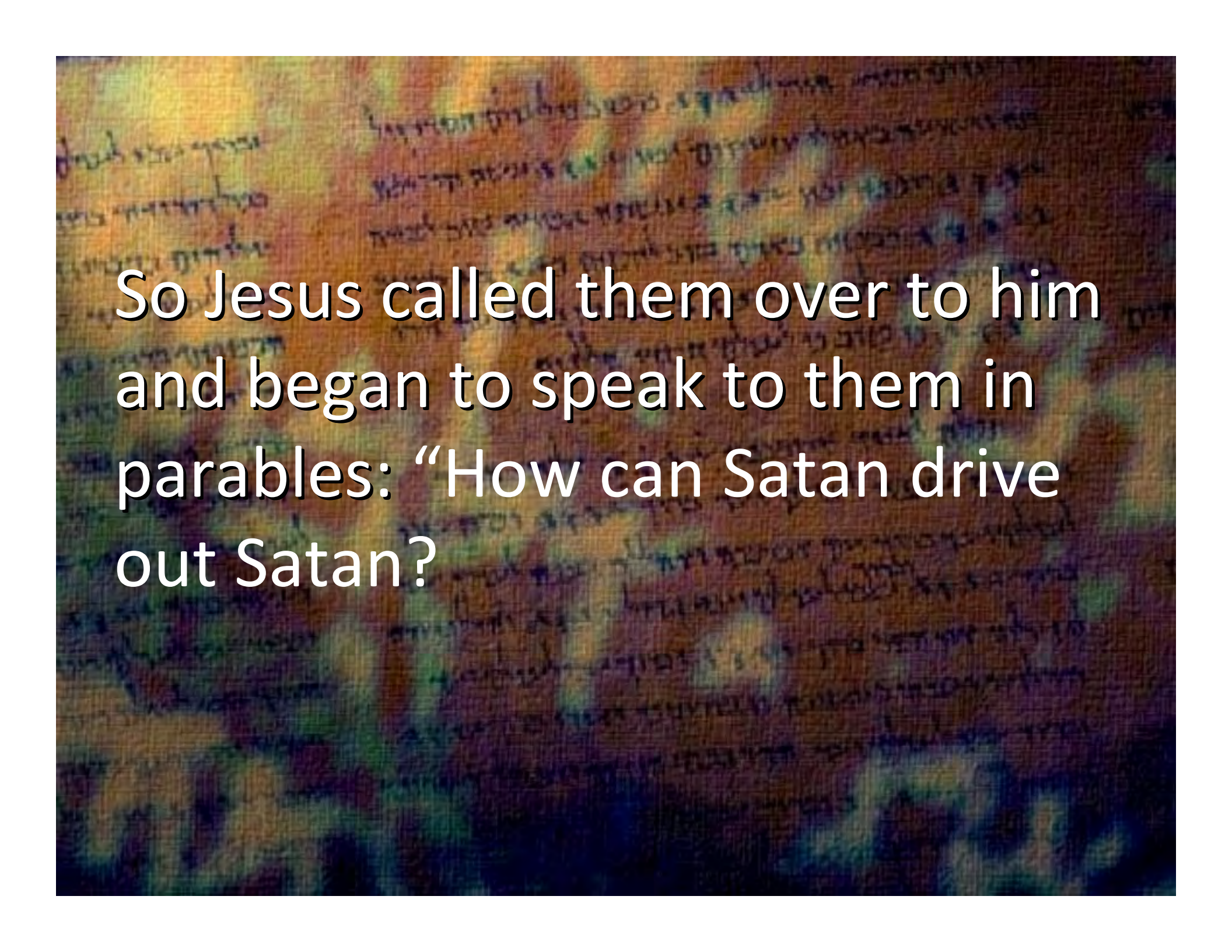
*technique of modern novelistic, realistic narrative, 2000 years ahead of when it happened. The reader who doesn't see this is simply not learned to read."*



... but whoever blasphemes  
against the Holy Spirit will never  
be forgiven; they are guilty of an  
eternal sin.”                      Mark 3:29



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So Jesus called them over to him and began to speak to them in parables: “How can Satan drive out Satan?”

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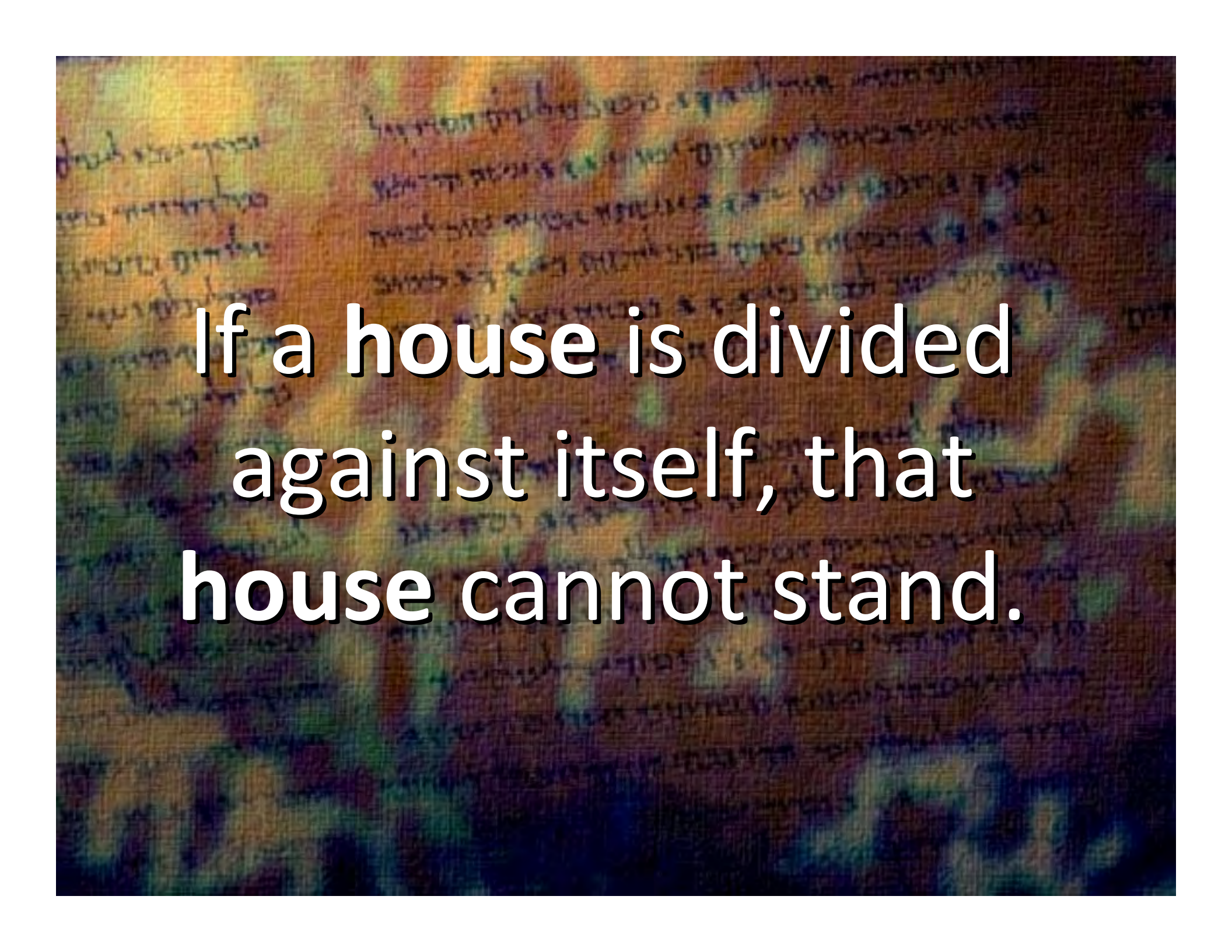
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And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end

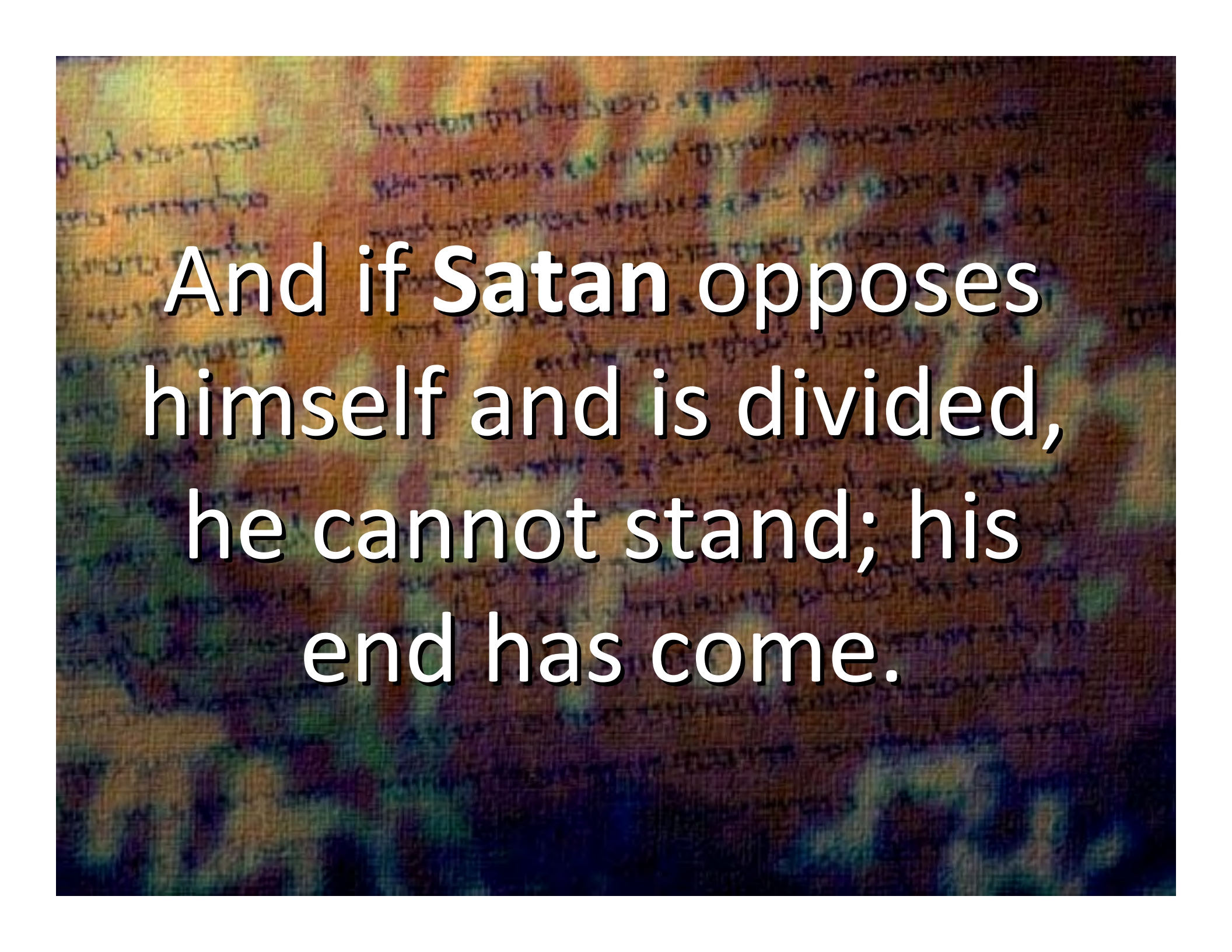
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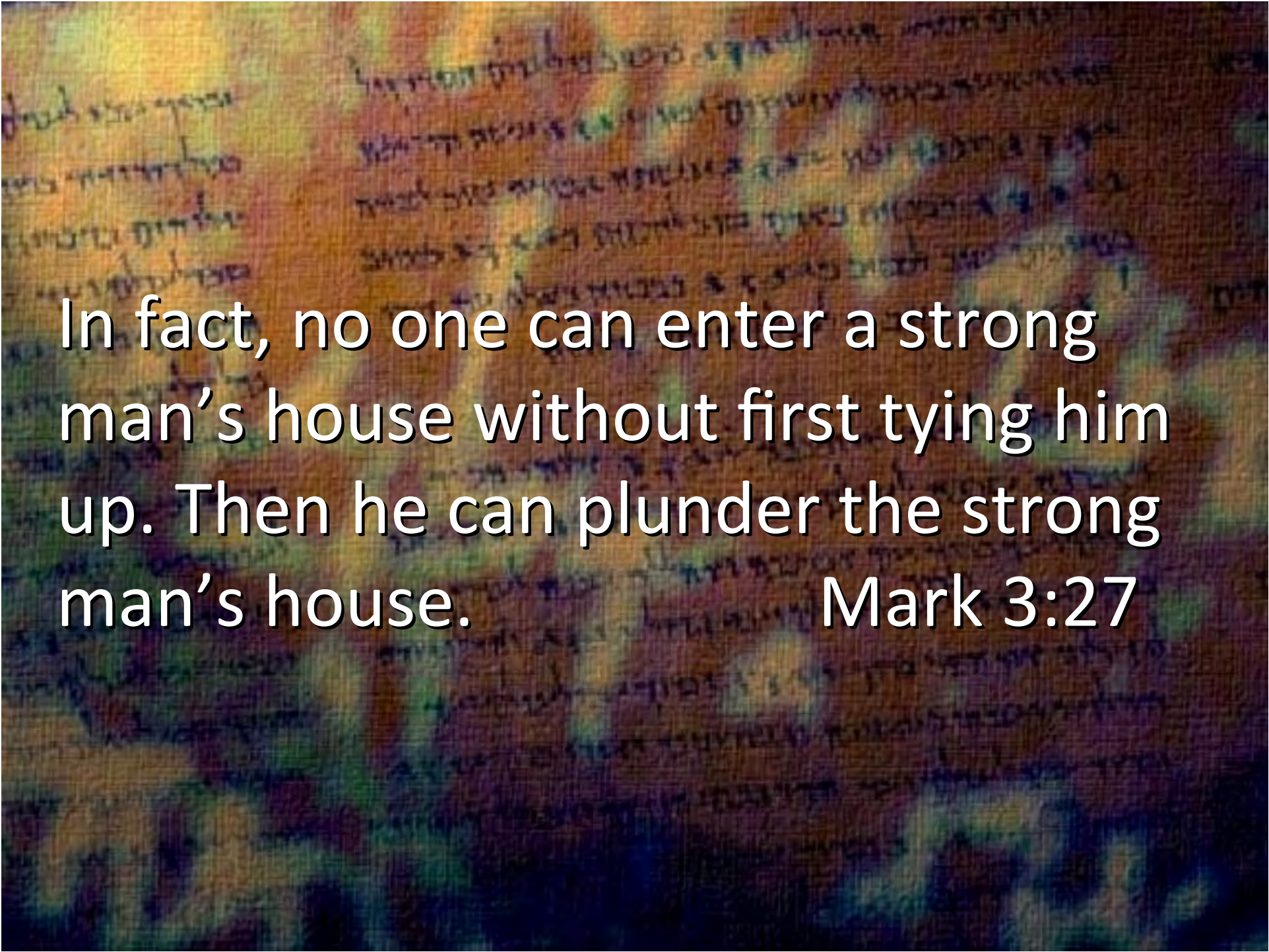


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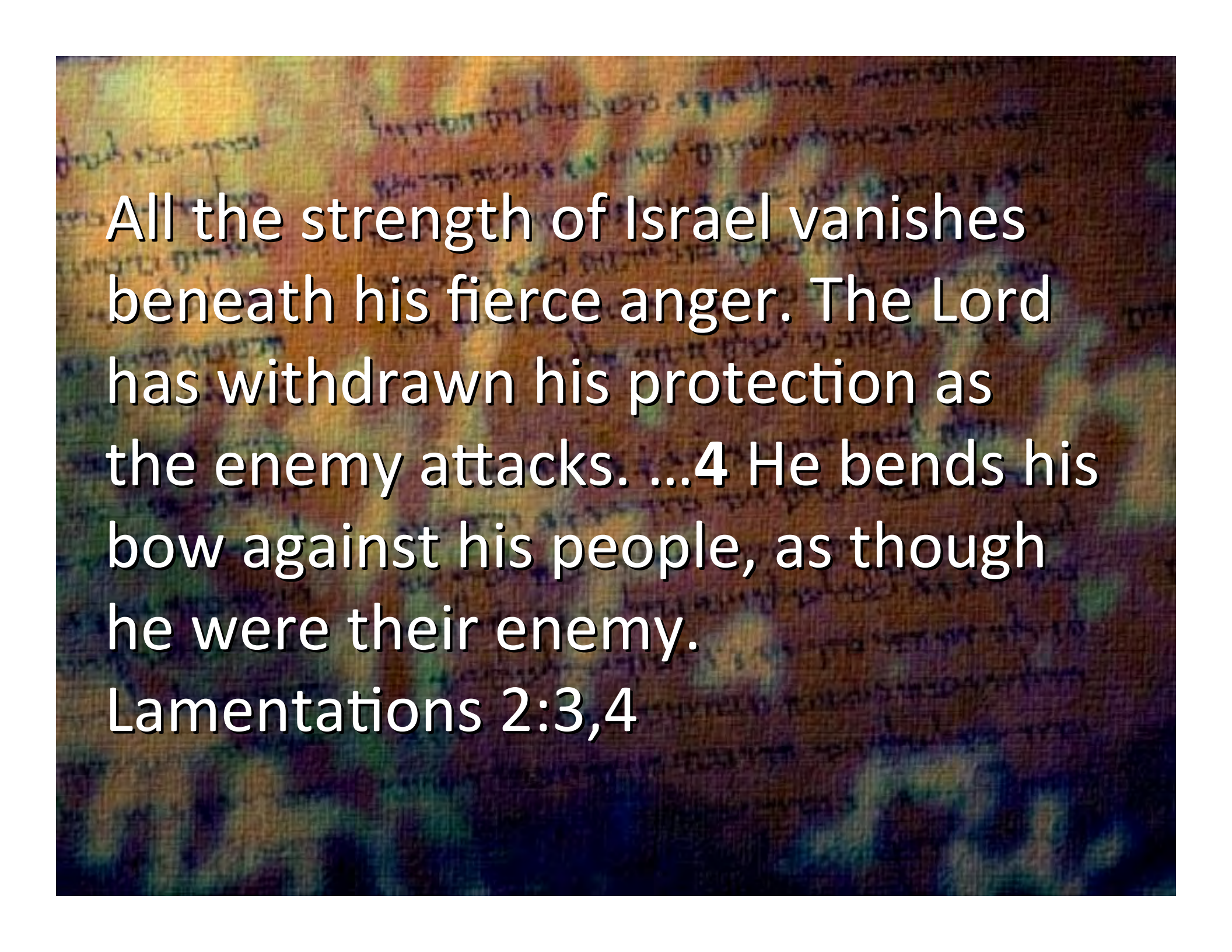
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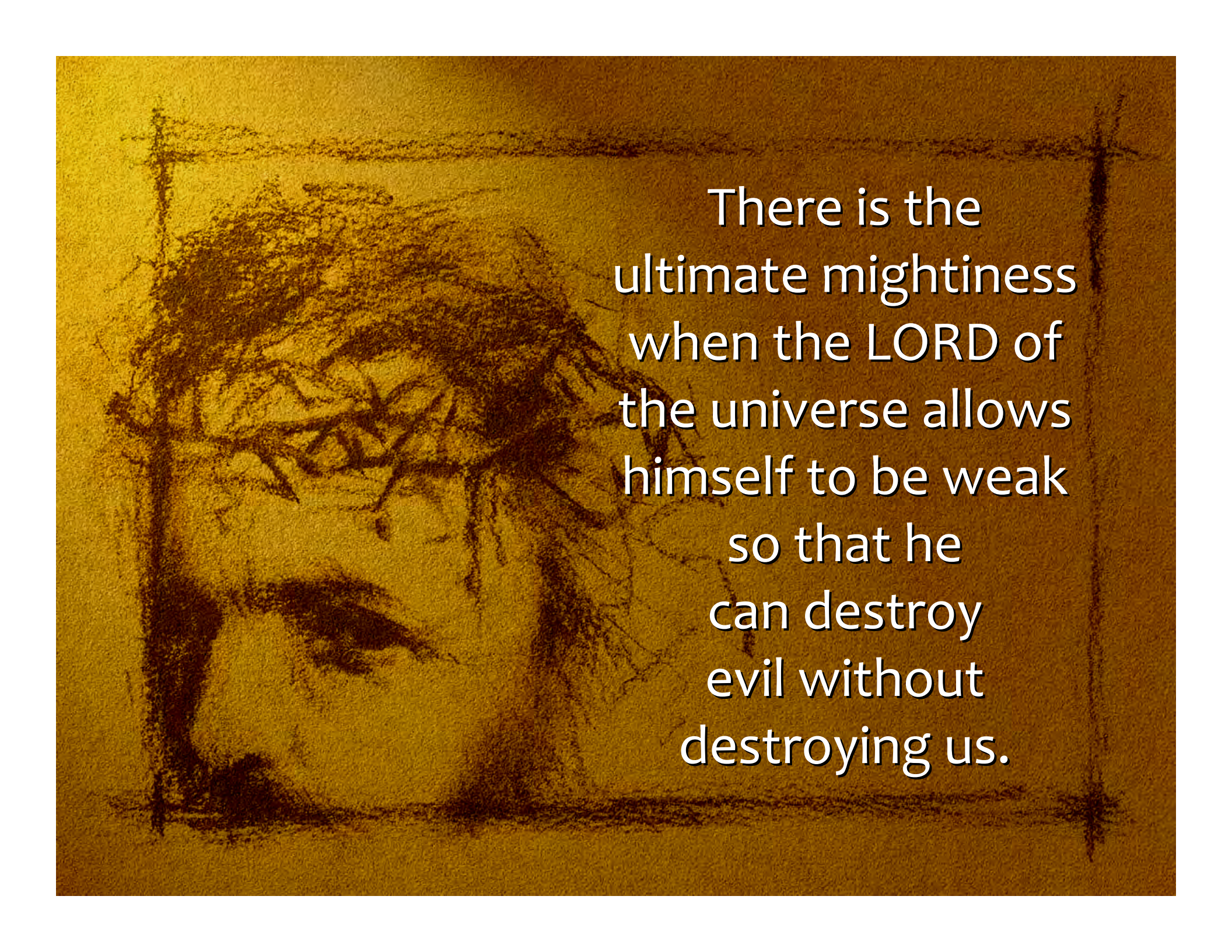
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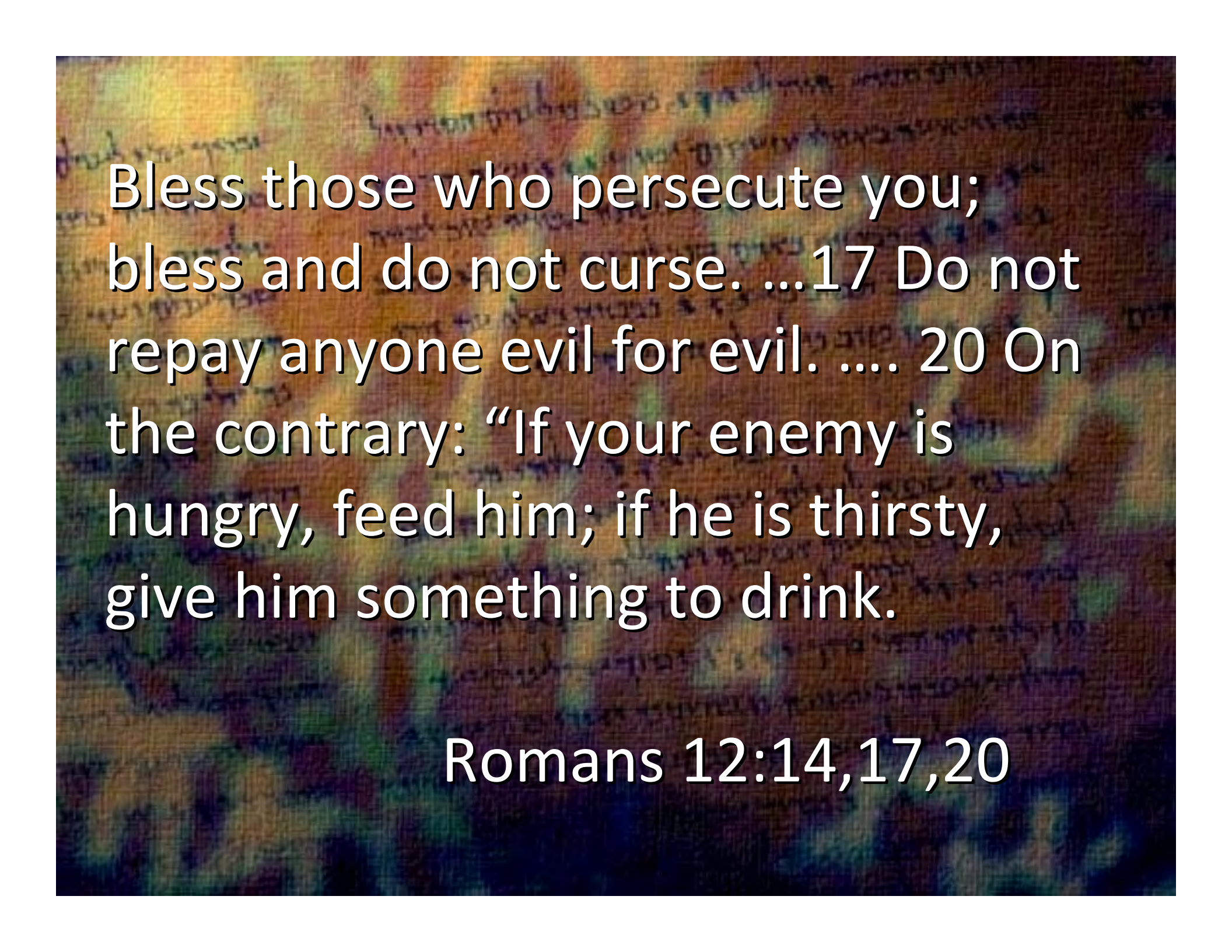


All the strength of Israel vanishes  
beneath his fierce anger. The Lord  
has withdrawn his protection as  
the enemy attacks. ...4 He bends his  
bow against his people, as though  
he were their enemy.

Lamentations 2:3,4



There is the  
ultimate mightiness  
when the LORD of  
the universe allows  
himself to be weak  
so that he  
can destroy  
evil without  
destroying us.

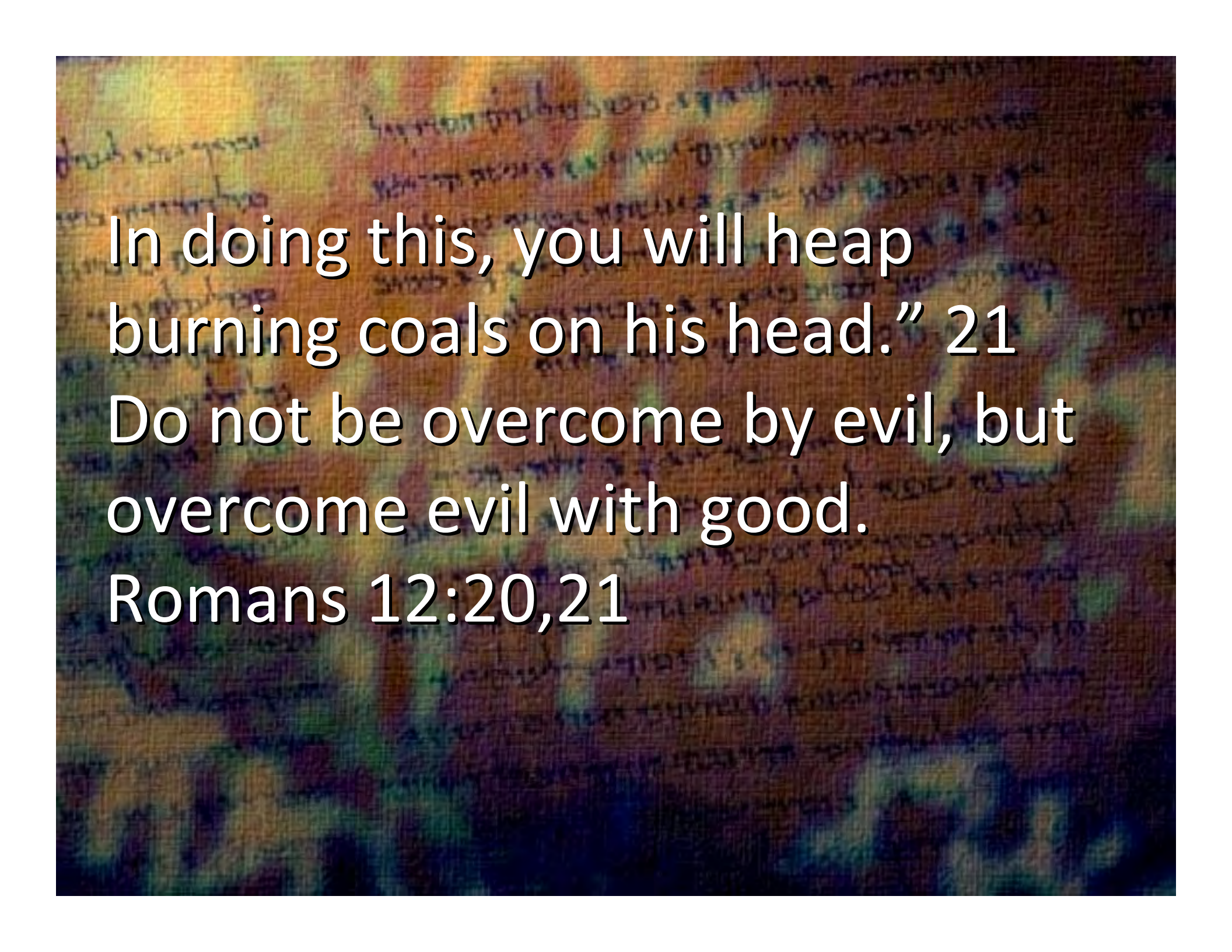


Bless those who persecute you;  
bless and do not curse. ...17 Do not  
repay anyone evil for evil. .... 20 On  
the contrary: "If your enemy is  
hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty,  
give him something to drink.

Romans 12:14,17,20

The way to destroy  
evil is by not  
participating in the  
retaliation.

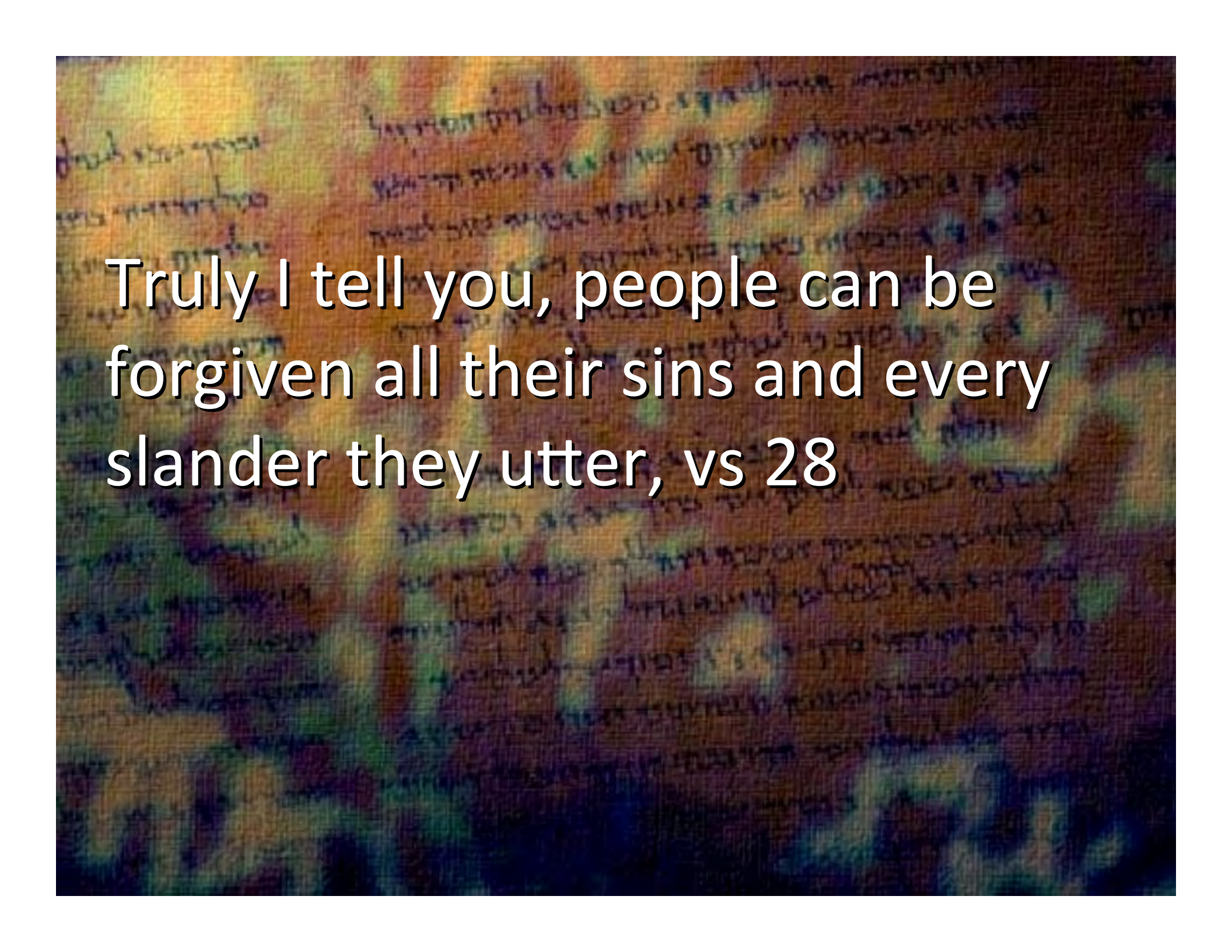




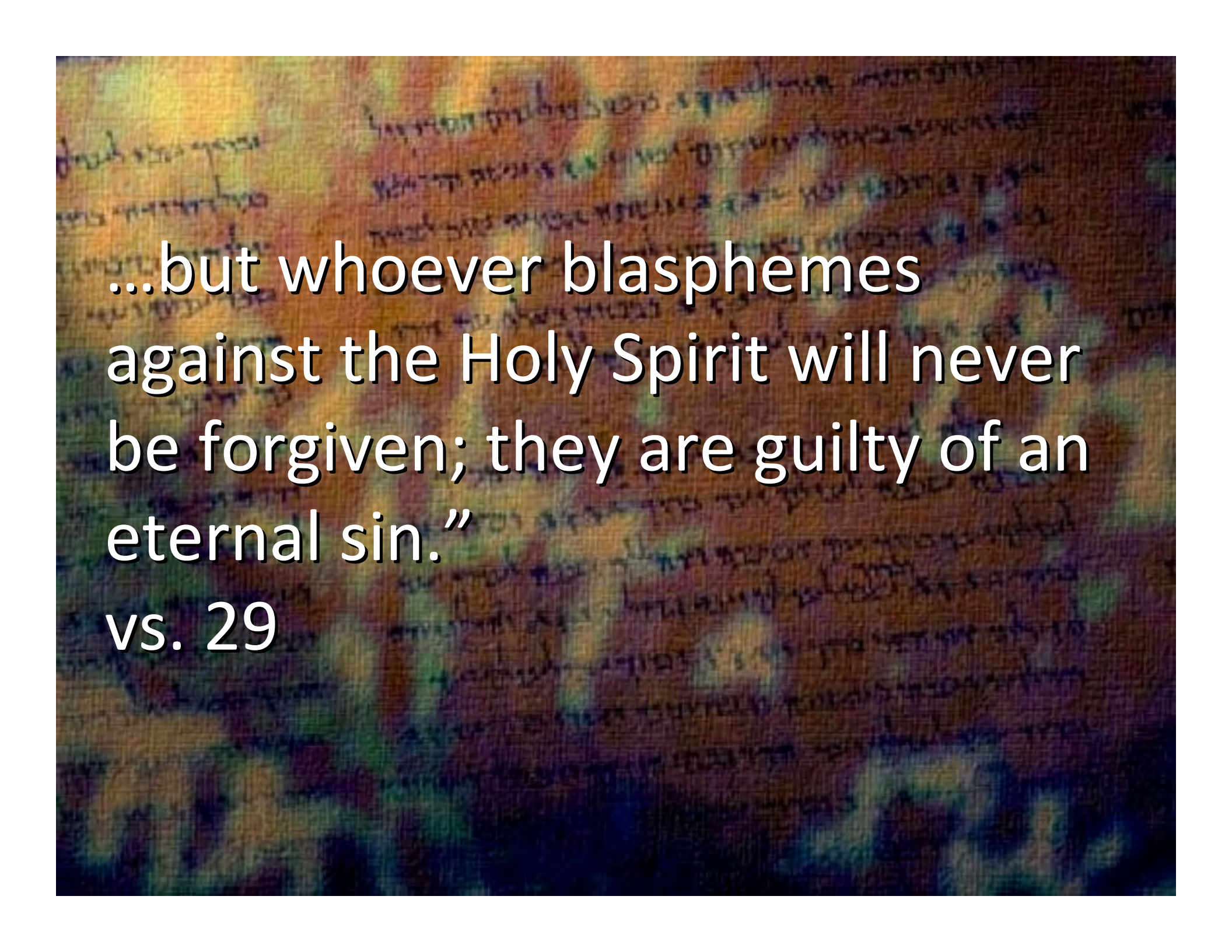
In doing this, you will heap  
burning coals on his head.” 21

Do not be overcome by evil, but  
overcome evil with good.

Romans 12:20,21



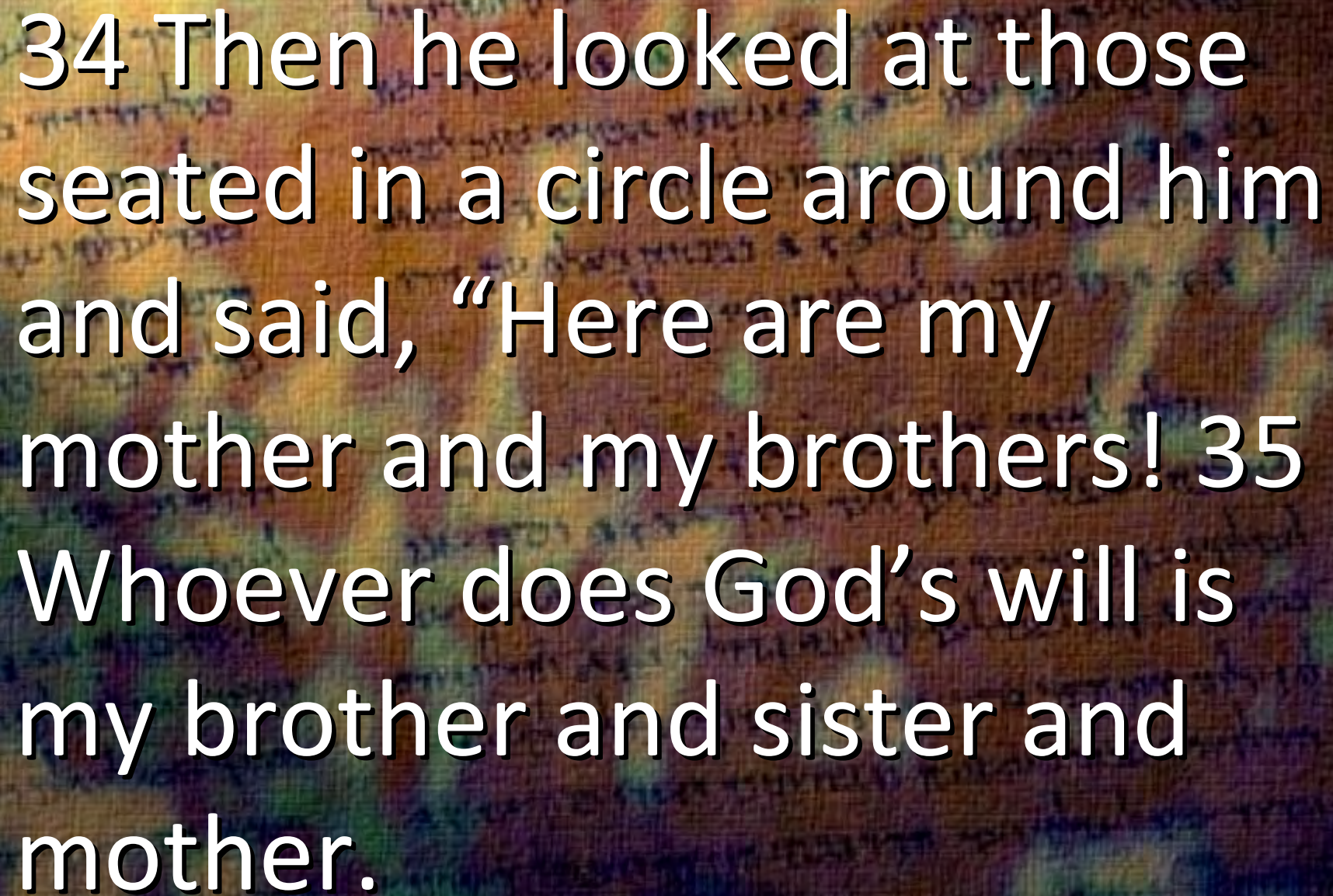
Truly I tell you, people can be forgiven all their sins and every slander they utter, vs 28



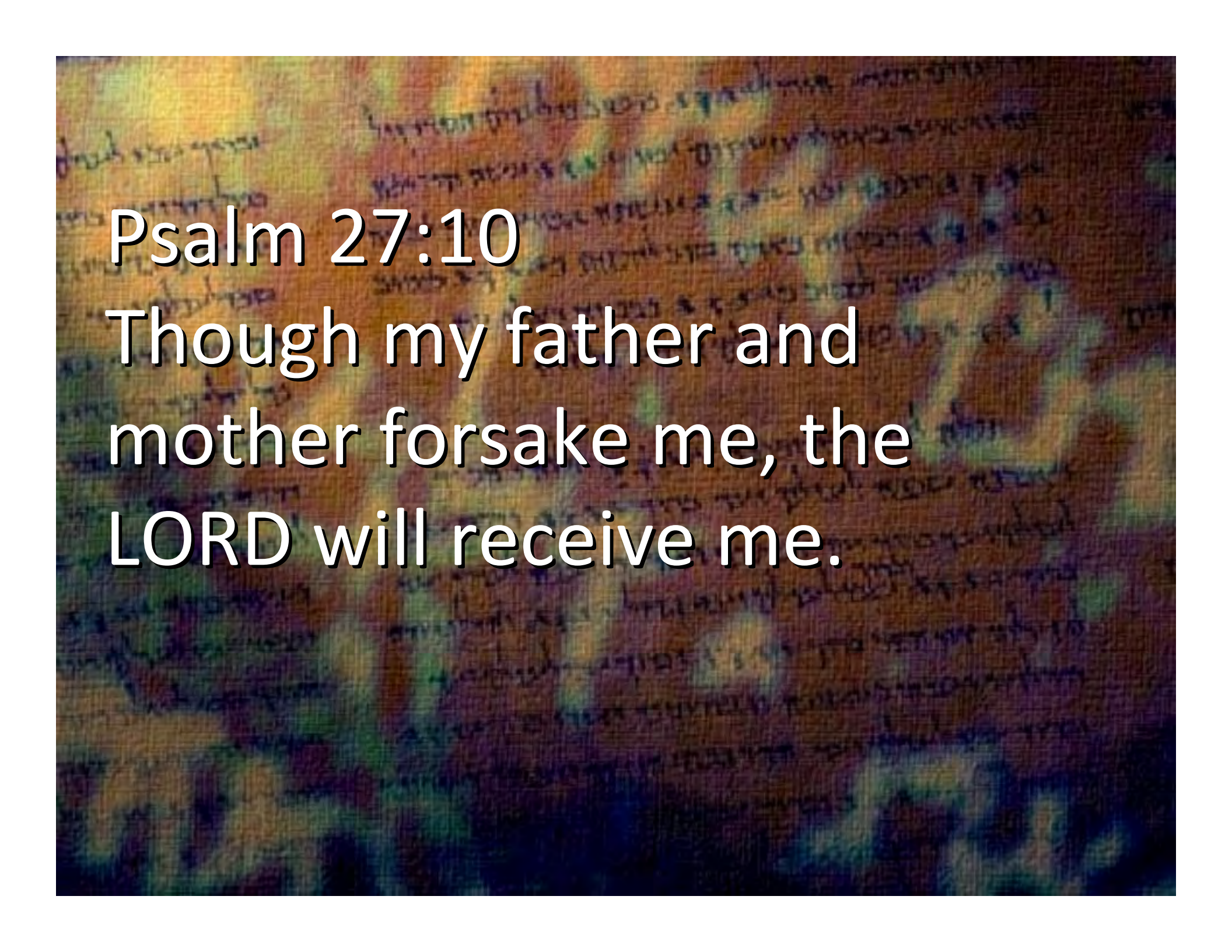
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vs. 29





34 Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! 35 Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother.



Psalm 27:10

Though my father and  
mother forsake me, the  
LORD will receive me.