



ACTS:

A HISTORY BOOK

Living **IN YOU.**

Part 15

Barnabas: Son of Encouragement

Acts 11:19 - 26

Ephesians 2:11 - 22

¹¹ Don't forget that you Gentiles used to be outsiders. You were called "uncircumcised heathens" by the Jews, who were proud of their circumcision, even though it affected only their bodies and not their hearts.

¹² In those days you were living apart from Christ. You were excluded from citizenship among the people of Israel, and you were foreigners to the covenant promises God had made to them. You lived in this world without God and without hope.

Ephesians 2:11 - 22

¹³ But now you have been united with Christ Jesus. Once you were far away from God, but now you have been brought near to him through the blood of Christ.

¹⁴ For Christ himself has brought peace to us. He united Jews and Gentiles into one people when, in his own body on the cross, he broke down the wall of hostility that separated us.

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¹⁵ He did this by ending the system of law with its commandments and regulations.

He made peace between Jews and Gentiles by creating in himself one new people from the two groups. ¹⁶ Together as one body, Christ reconciled both groups to God by means of his death on the cross, and our hostility toward each other was put to death.

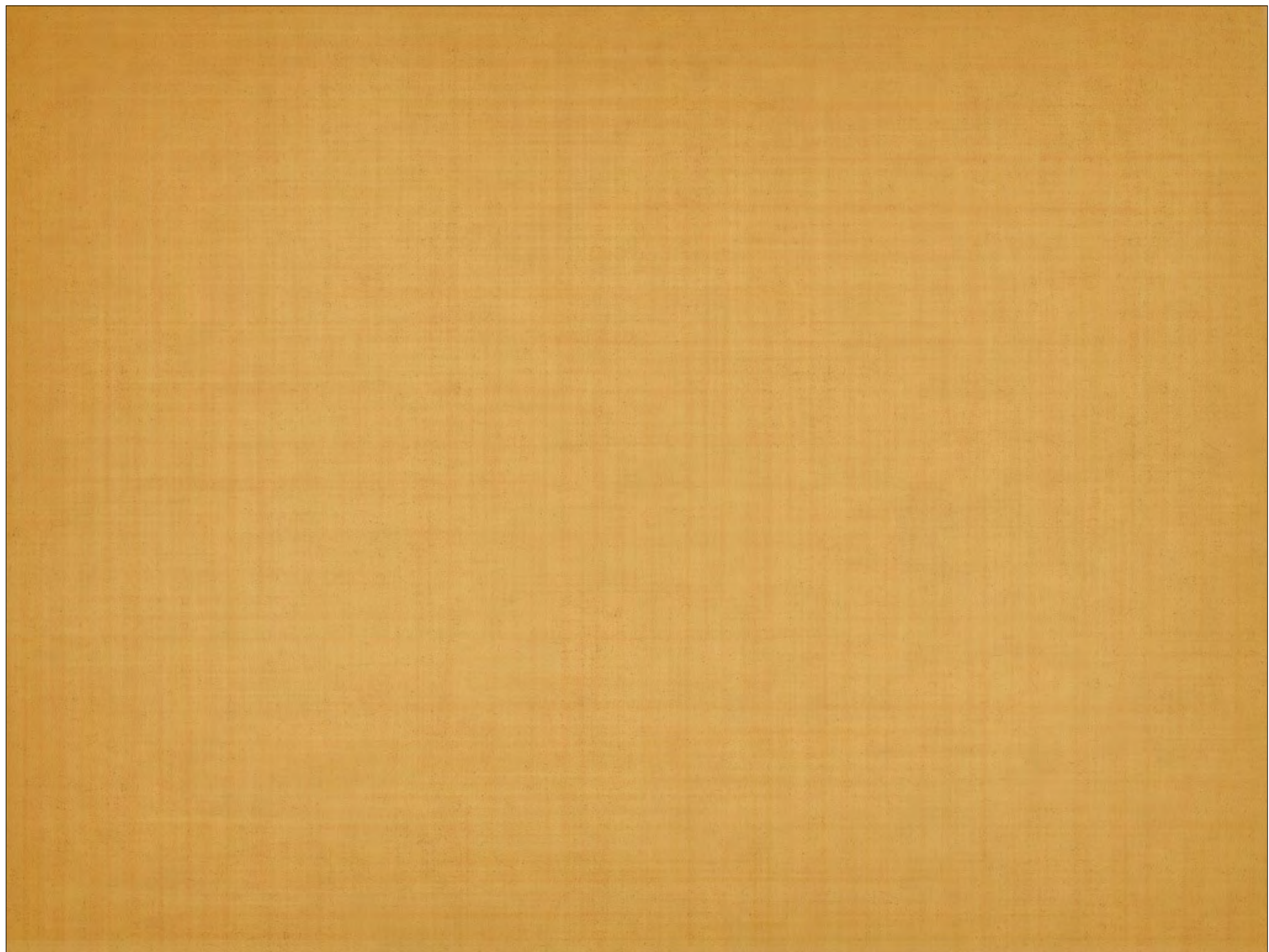
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¹⁷ He brought this Good News of peace to you Gentiles who were far away from him, and peace to the Jews who were near. ¹⁸ Now all of us can come to the Father through the same Holy Spirit because of what Christ has done for us.

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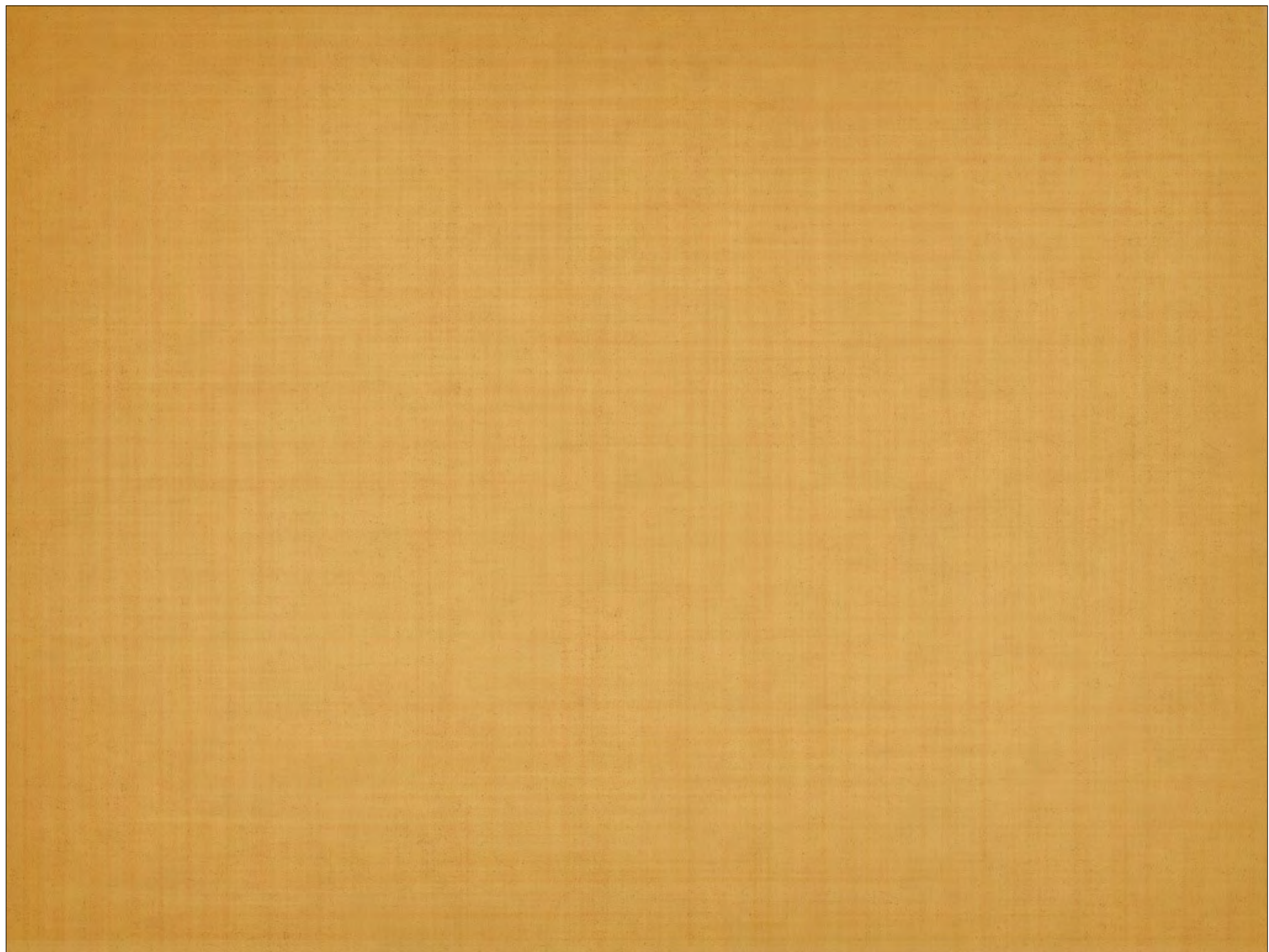
¹⁹ So now you Gentiles are no longer strangers and foreigners. You are citizens along with all of God's holy people. You are members of God's family.

²⁰ Together, we are his house, built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets. And the cornerstone is Christ Jesus himself. ²¹ We are carefully joined together in him, becoming a holy temple for the Lord. ²² Through him you Gentiles are also being made part of this dwelling where God lives by his Spirit. (NLT)



Galatians 3:26 - 29

²⁶ So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, ²⁷ for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸ There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise. (NLT)



“ . . . you will be my witnesses
in *Jerusalem*, and in all
Judea and *Samaria*, and to
the *ends of the earth*.”

Jesus, Acts 1:8





Acts 2



Acts 8

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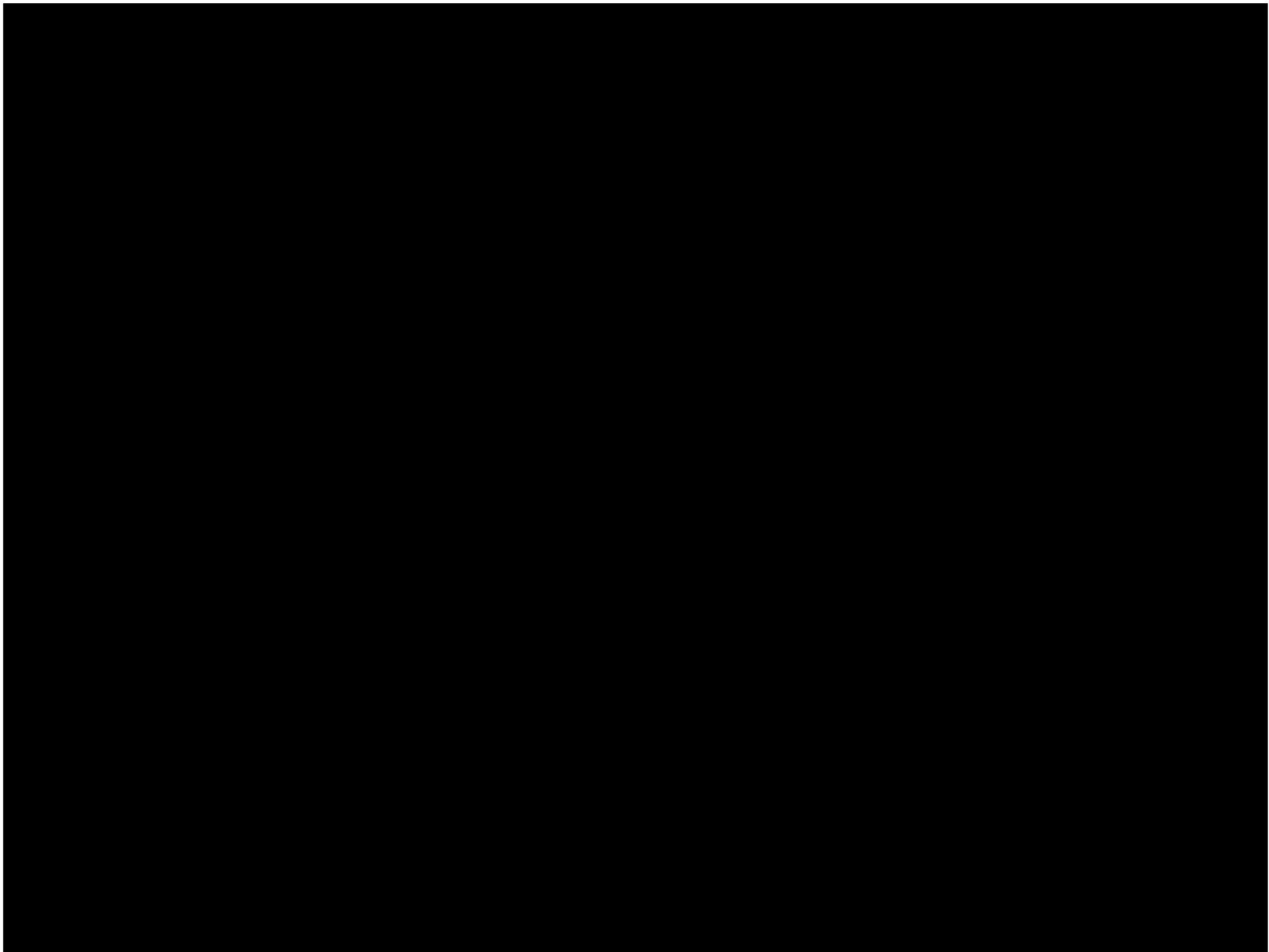












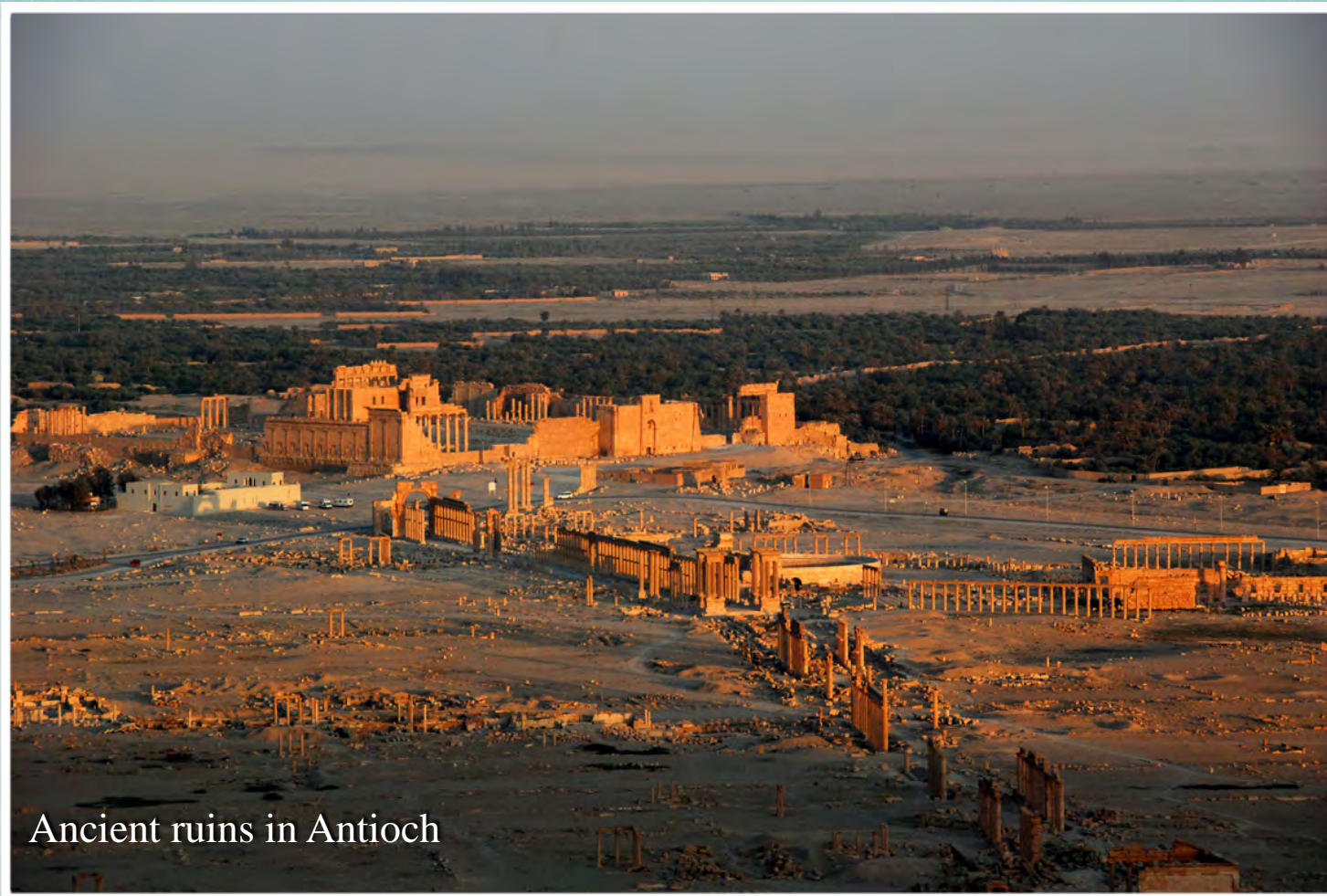
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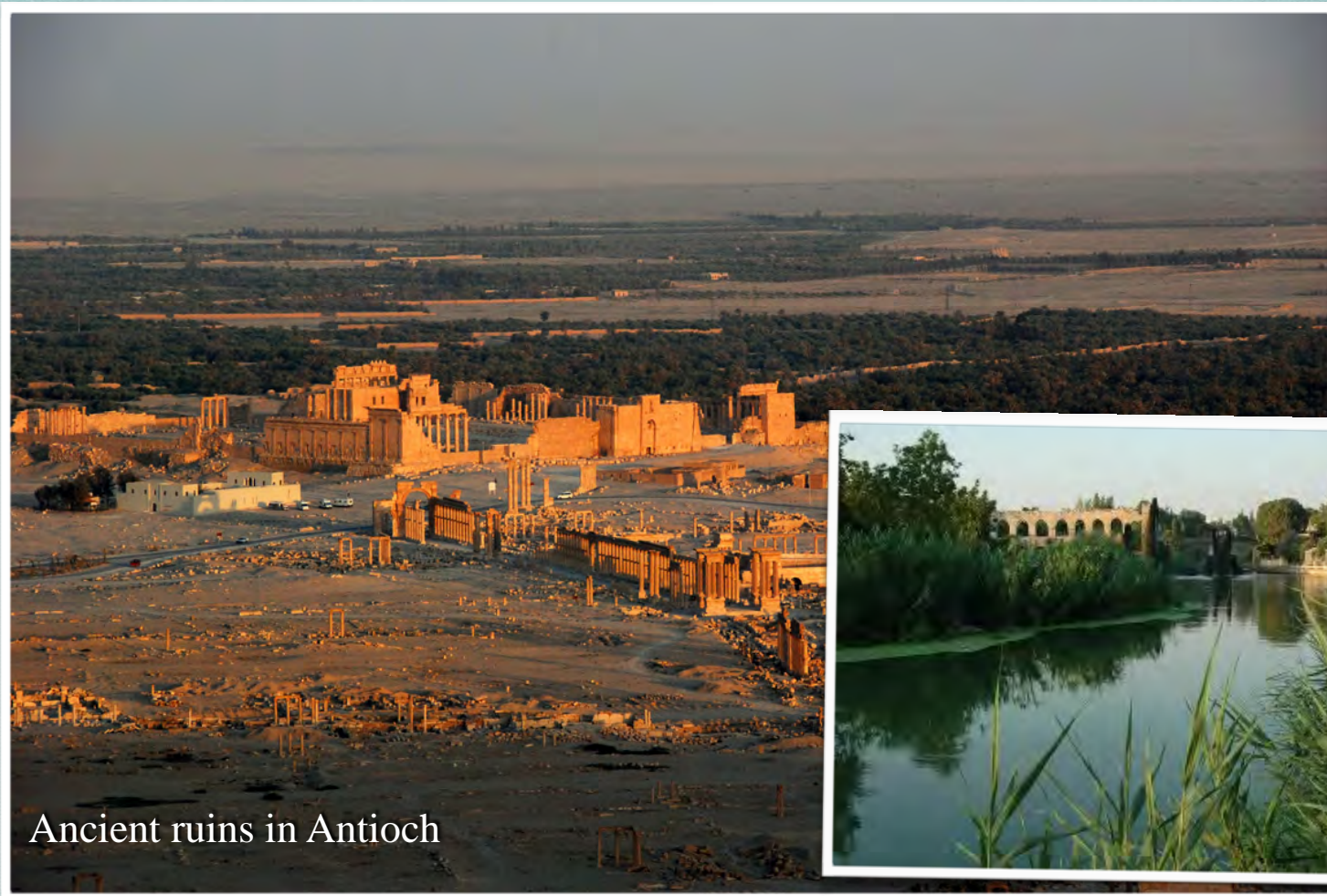
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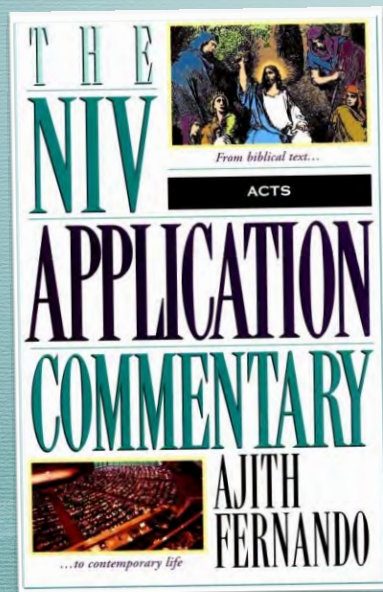
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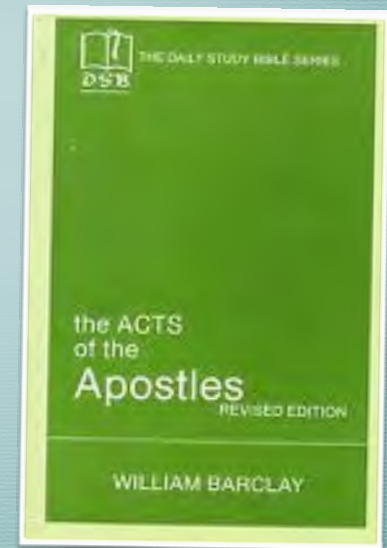


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“It seems incredible but nonetheless it is true that it was in a city like that that Christianity took the great stride forward to becoming the religion of the world. We have only to think of that to discover there is ***no such thing as a hopeless situation.***”



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³⁹ They had such a sharp disagreement that they parted company. Barnabas took Mark and sailed for Cyprus, ⁴⁰ but Paul chose Silas and left . . .

Acts 15:39 – 40 NIV

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Do not address an older man harshly
but appeal to him as a father.

1 Timothy 5:1 NIV

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