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“Your name will no longer be Jacob, from now on you will be called Israel.

Genesis 32:28

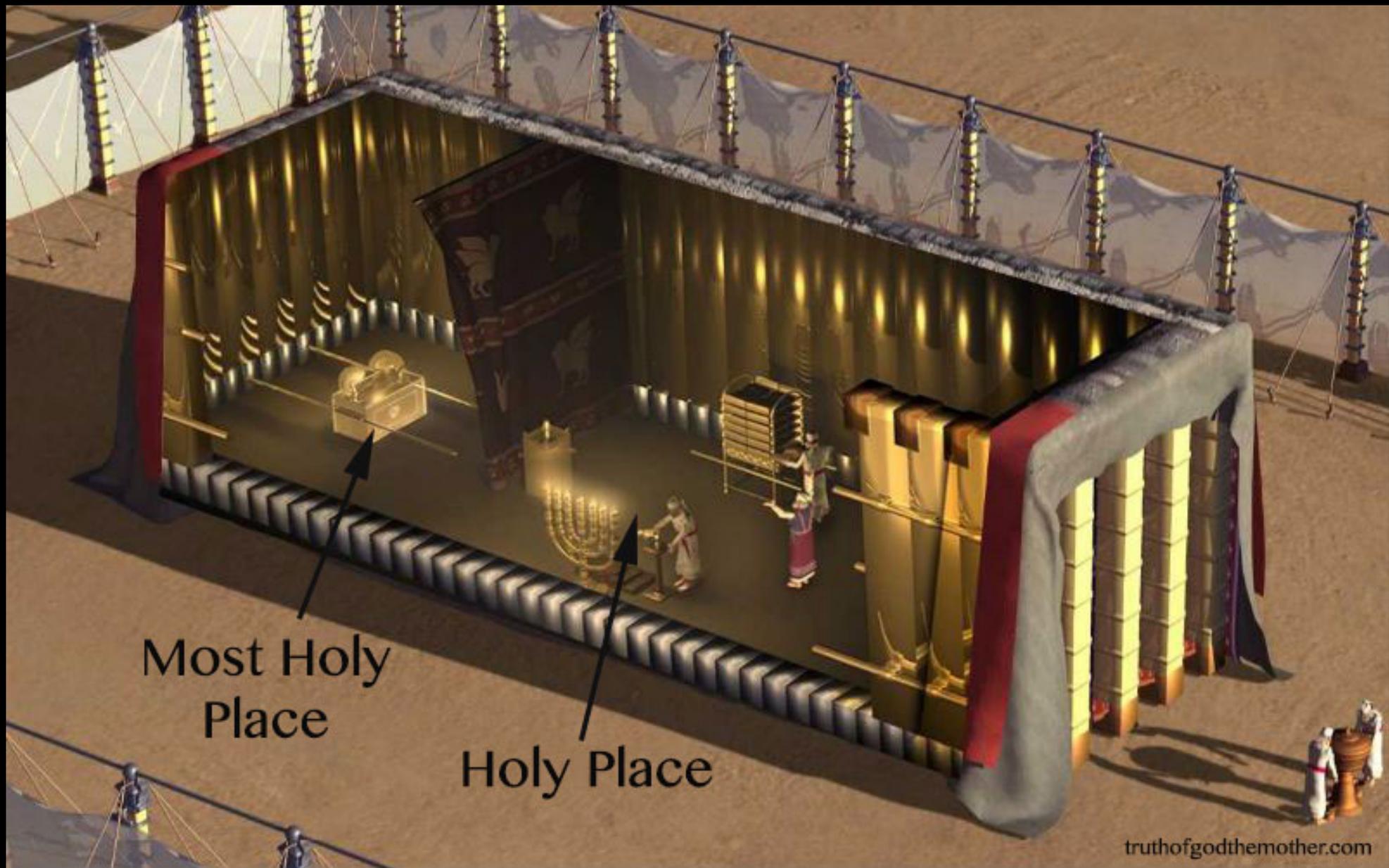


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*“Let them make
me a sanctuary;
that I may dwell
among them”*

Exodus 25:8





Most Holy
Place

Holy Place



And Moses proceeded to do everything just as the Lord had commanded him. ¹⁷ So the Tabernacle was set up on the first day of the first month of the second year.

Exodus 40:16,17

³⁵ Moses could no longer enter the Tabernacle because the cloud had settled down over it, and the glory of the Lord filled the Tabernacle. ³⁶ Now whenever the cloud lifted from the Tabernacle, the people of Israel would set out on their journey, following it.

37 But if the cloud did not rise, they remained where they were until it lifted. 38 The cloud of the Lord hovered over the Tabernacle during the day, and at night fire glowed inside the cloud so the whole family of Israel could see it. This continued throughout all their journeys. Exodus 40:35-38



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Exodus 40:35



C.S. Lewis



"Our longing to be reunited with something in the universe from which we now feel cut off, to be on the inside of some door which we have always seen from the outside is no mere neurotic fancy, but the truest index of our real situation. The sense that in this universe we are the strangers, and there is a longing to bridge some chasm that yawns between us and ultimate reality."



Matthew 26:61

“This fellow said, ‘I am able to destroy the temple of God and rebuild it in three days.’”

John 1:14

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made his dwelling among us.

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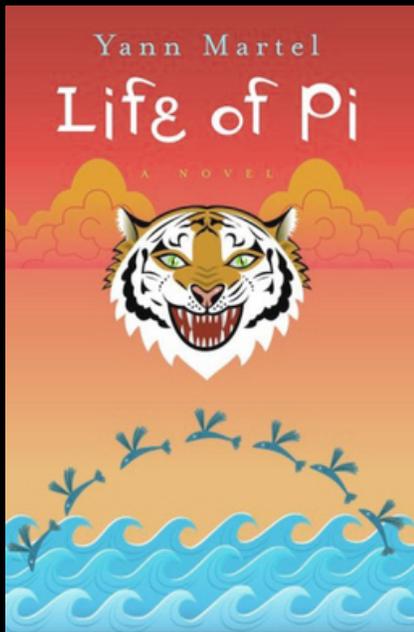
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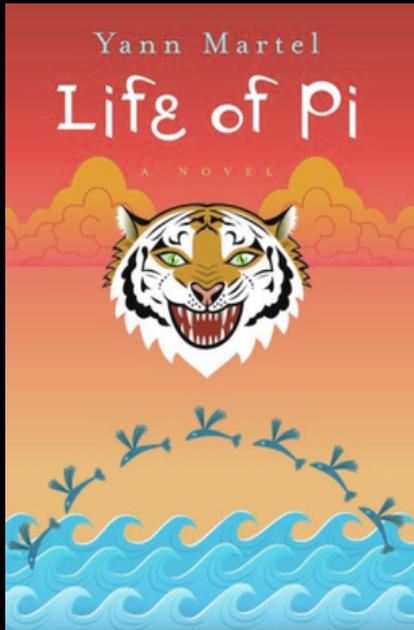
Hebrews 10:19-22

We can boldly enter heaven's Most Holy Place because of the blood of Jesus. ²⁰ By his death, Jesus opened a new and life-giving way through the curtain into the Most Holy Place. ²¹ And since we have a great High Priest who rules over God's house, ²² let us go right into the presence of God with sincere hearts fully trusting him.

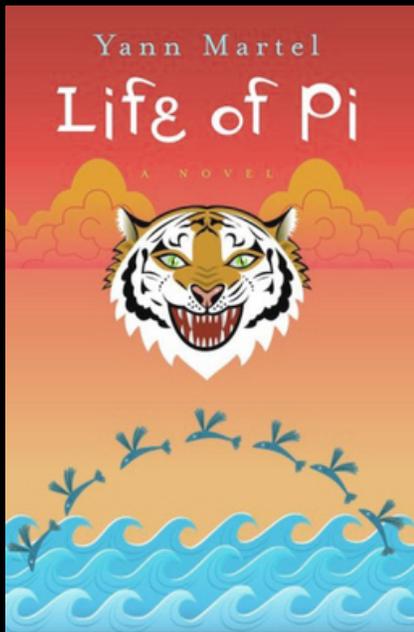
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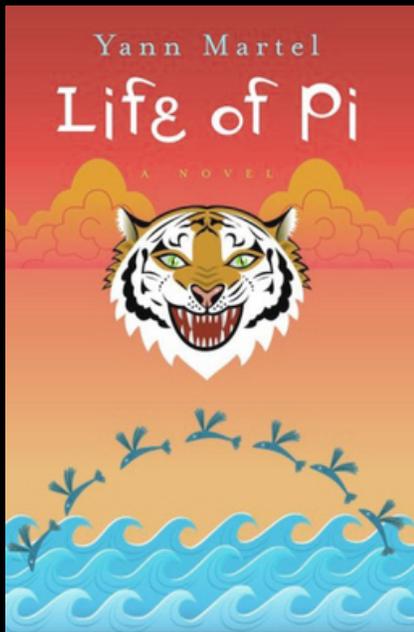
“Father Martin told me a story and what a story! The first thing [I felt] was disbelief. What? Humanity sins but it’s God’s Son who [takes the blame and] pays the price?”



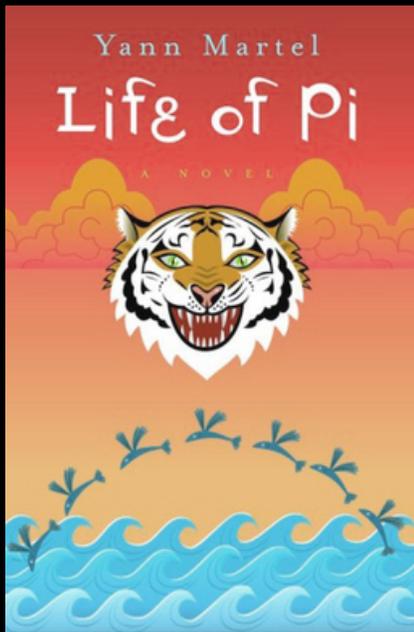
*“That a God should put up with adversity,
I could understand. Adversity, yes.
Treachery, yes. But humiliation? Death?”*



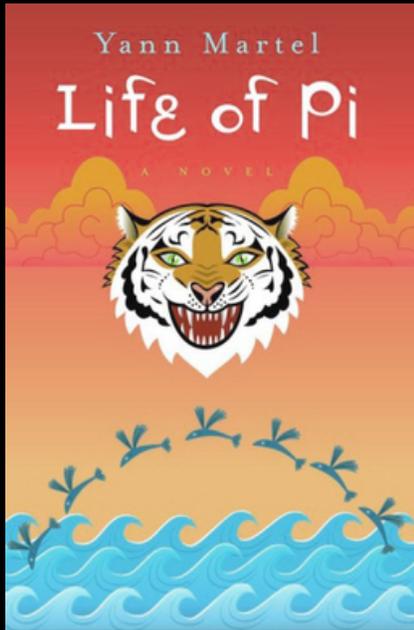
“I couldn’t imagine Lord Krishna consenting to be stripped naked, whipped, mocked, dragged through the streets and, to top it off, crucified—and at the hands of mere humans, to boot.”



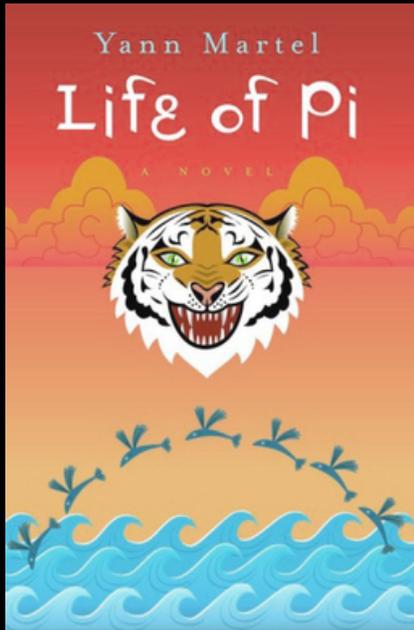
*“I’d never heard of a Hindu god dying. ...
Divinity should not be blighted by death. It’s
wrong. It was wrong of this Christian God to let
His avatar die.”*



Was it a fake? Was his death real? “Father Martin assured me it was. But once a dead God, always a dead God, even resurrected. The Son must have the taste of death forever in his mouth.... there must be a certain stench at the right hand of God the Father.”



The horror must be real. Why would God wish that upon himself? Why not leave death to the mortals? Why make dirty what is beautiful, spoil what is perfect?



Love.

That was Father Martin's answer.

But our High Priest offered himself to God as a single sacrifice for sins, good for all time. Then he sat down in the place of honor at God's right hand.¹³ There he waits until his enemies are humbled and made a footstool under his feet.¹⁴ For by that one offering he forever made perfect those who are being made holy. Hebrews 10:12-14

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