

## ORDER OF SERVICE

May 14, 2023

Worship in Fellowship  
Worship in Music  
Worship in Message  
Worship in Giving

Wayne Braudrick

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### Wake Up

1 Thessalonians 4:13-5:11

Outstanding Series

Life Change: We wake up and do our job.

### Mom told me exactly what would happen

#### Why is Christian grieving different?

4:13-18

Because God has spoken to us about death

Because we know what has happened

Because we know what is going to happen

#### Why is Christian grieving different?

Because we have real comfort

4:13-18

5:9-11

#### Why are Christians so active?

Because our job is to be outstanding

5:1-8

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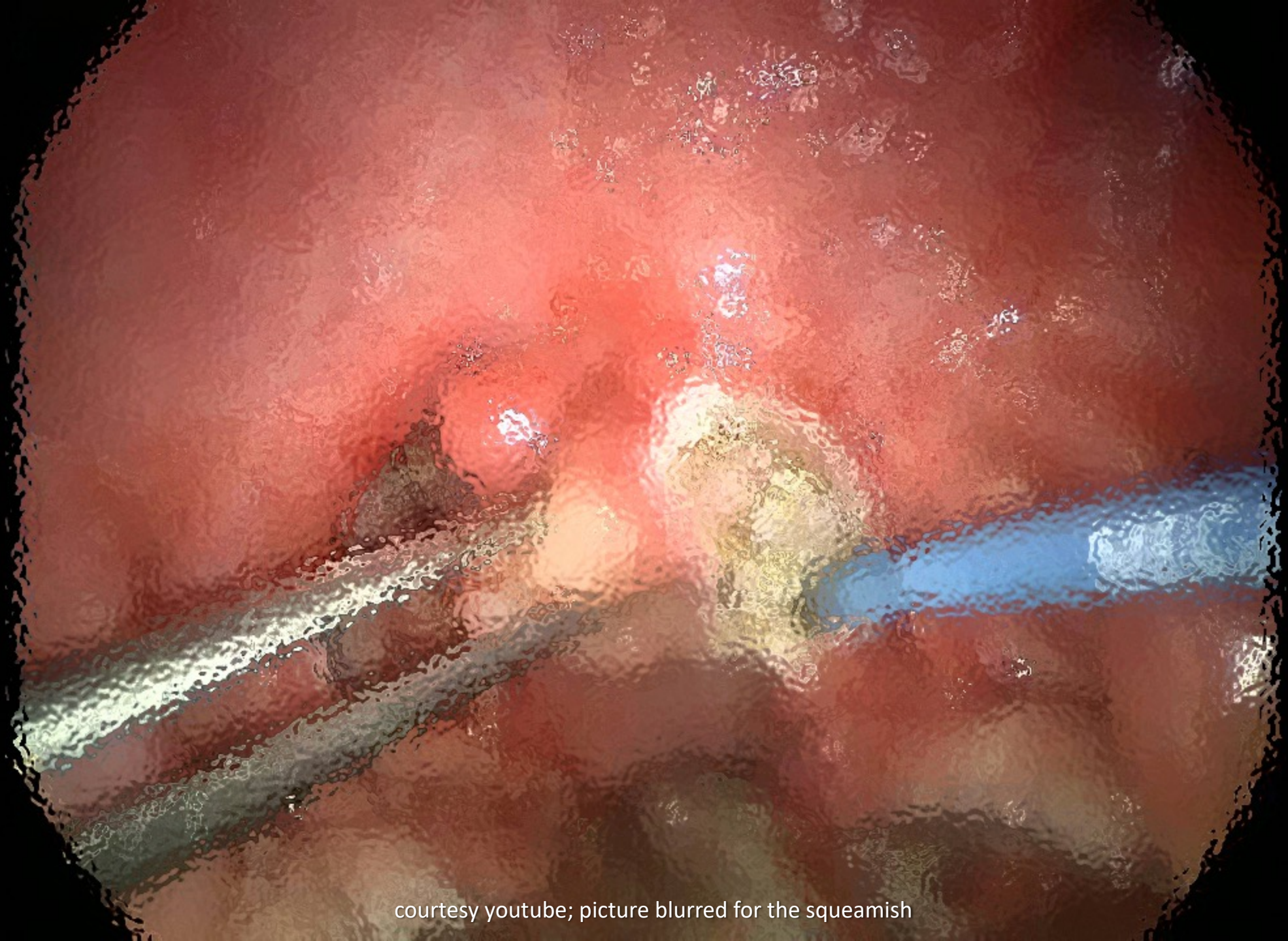
**OUT**

**STANDING**

**A STUDY OF THESSALONIANS**

**The doctor is an  
ENT! So cool!**





courtesy youtube; picture blurred for the squeamish



courtesy copingmag



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**It is appointed for people  
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and after this, judgment.**

**Hebrews 9:27 CSB**



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While lying in bed with no hope of falling asleep, I was listening to the song *Sorrow* by Pink Floyd. This song has long been one of my favorites but hits me differently since I've become a Christian. Early in the song, David Gilmour's lyrics read:



**A man lies and dreams of green fields and rivers,\*  
but awakes to a morning with no reason for waking.  
He's haunted by the memory of a lost paradise –  
In his youth or dreams, he can't be precise.  
He's chained forever to a world that's departed.  
It's not enough. It's not enough.  
– David Gilmour, "Sorrow"**

**\*This line is lifted from Steinbeck's  
*The Grapes of Wrath***



**Gilmour identifies that we are missing a crucial part of our own existence. We know there's something better out there, but this existence is especially proficient at breaking people down and eroding our [understanding]. We are currently all chained to this world, and David is being quite precise in stating not once, but twice that "it's not enough." – Mohammed Maatouk**



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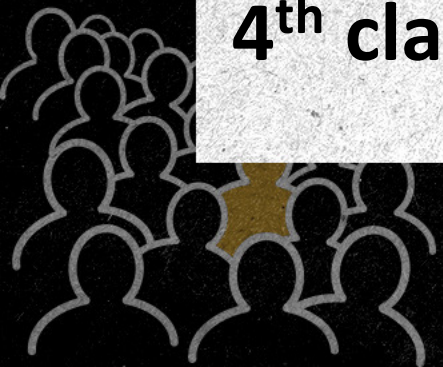
**εἰ = participle indicating one of four conditions:**

**1<sup>st</sup> class – assumed true**

**2<sup>nd</sup> class – assumed false**

**3<sup>rd</sup> class – probable (actually 2 types of these)**

**4<sup>th</sup> class – improbable (not used in the NT)**







# DTS annual faculty retreat



courtesy Wayne Braudrick and Pine Cove

# 1 Thessalonians 4 CSB

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**When a Christian dies, a physician can determine medically that he is dead, but from a theological standpoint a person dies when the soul leaves the body. In 2 Corinthians 5:8, Paul speaks of being absent from the body and present with the Lord. When a believer in Christ dies, his soul doesn't stay in the body. We bury the body, but we don't bury the soul! The soul goes *immediately* into the presence of the Lord. – John Walvoord, “Fastening Your Grip on the Blessed Hope”**





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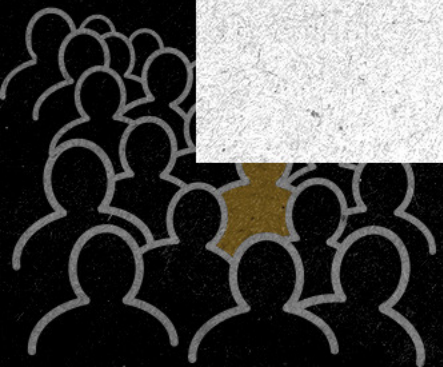


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It is evident from the fact that Paul used the definite article *the* last trump that he expected the Corinthians [and Thessalonians]...to know what he was talking about...John has not written Revelation, [so] the only knowledge they would have of trumpets are those spoken of in the Old Testament [where] the last trump refers to the Feast of Trumpets. During the ceremony there are a series of short trumpet sounds concluding with one long trumpet blast called the *tekiah gedolah*, the great trumpet blast. Paul's point is that the Rapture will be the fulfillment of the Feast of Trumpets.

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**Greek: ἀνίστημι anistemi = to stand on human feet**



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## 1 Corinthians 15 CSB

**<sup>51</sup> Listen, I am telling you a mystery: We will not all fall asleep, but we will all be changed, <sup>52</sup> in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we will be changed. <sup>53</sup> For this corruptible body must be clothed with incorruptibility, and this mortal body must be clothed with immortality.**

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**Greek: παρακαλέω parakaleo = to walk alongside; comfort, encourage**



**Our certain eternity includes no pain, reunions with loved ones, all with Jesus. But that does not diminish the pain of my loss. I grieve. But we have more than grief – we have hope. That hope is firmly anchored not to good deeds, status, power, or wealth, but to Dad’s relationship with God through His Son. We know that Jesus died *and rose again.***

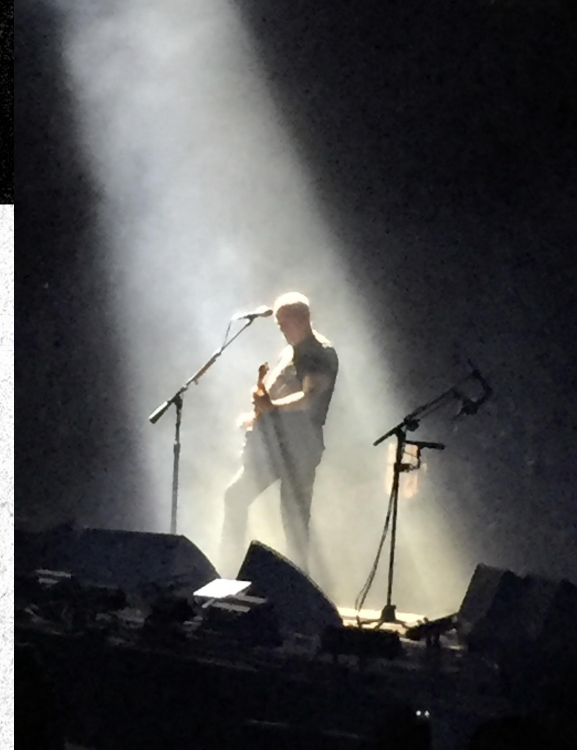


**He's chained forever to a world that's departed.  
It's not enough. It's not enough.**

**– David Gilmour, “Sorrow”**

**This world is not enough, and you can hear the exasperation in his tone as he sings it, slowing down on the repeated line and ever so slightly dropping the pitch. This made me consider how I have foolishly tried to fill my own void. My prized collection of guitars may bring me fleeting joy, but they don't know my heart. Nothing material in this life is ever going to be enough.**

**– Mo Maatouk**



**However, we have a way out of this as Christians. We have the embrace of a Savior who will turn our dream of “green fields and rivers” to an eternal reality. We have a Savior who will help us endure the unceasing winds through this brief night. Thanks to Christ, when I wake in the morning, I always know that I have a reason for waking. I’m chained to the Lord instead of a cold and departed mortal existence.**

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**Even though I know what the word says and believe it and act upon it to the best of my ability to walk by The Spirit, I still have times of doubt and discouragement. It is wonderful to be surrounded by brothers and sisters who encourage me in the faith.**



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**Without hope for the time when both ecstasy and pleasure can be found completely in God, there can be no happiness now. – Ted Dekker, *The Slumber of Christianity***

**Ironically, once our eyes are opened to the riches of our inheritance, the blessings of this life become far richer. The colors brighter, the odors more pungent, the fabrics more textured, the fruits sweeter, the music more wondrous. It is by fixing our eyes on eternity that we see clearly the pleasures of this life. – Ted Dekker, *The Slumber of Christianity*,**



**23 The LORD spoke to Moses: 24 “Tell the Israelites: In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you are to have a day of complete rest, commemoration, and trumpet blasts—a sacred assembly.**

**25 You must not do any daily work, but you must present a food offering to the LORD.”**

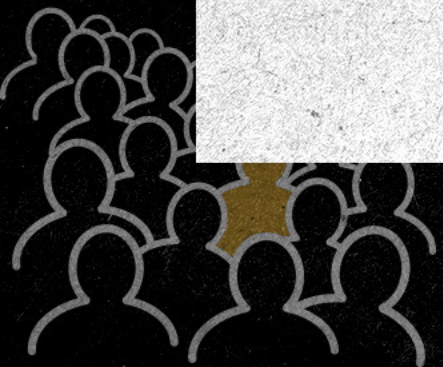
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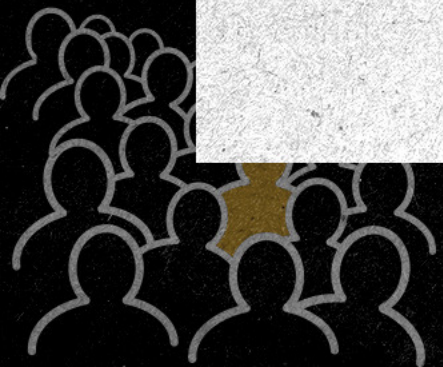
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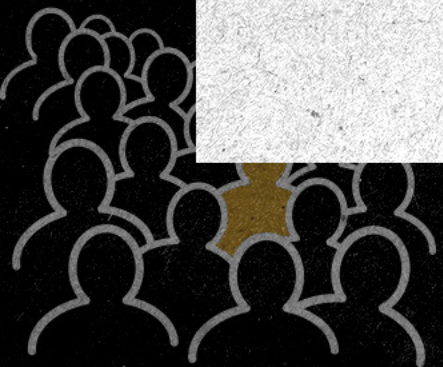
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The man in charge of the Temple mount would go around to every watch post carrying lighted torches before him. When he found a watchman which was not standing at his post he would say, "*Shalom Aleichem* (Peace be with you.)" If the man was slow to respond because he'd been sleeping, the captain struck him with his staff like a thief in the night. The captain also had the right to light the guard's garment on fire. Rabbi Eliezer ben Yaakov says, "One time they found my mother's brother sleeping and burned his garment."  
(m. *Middot* 1:2)





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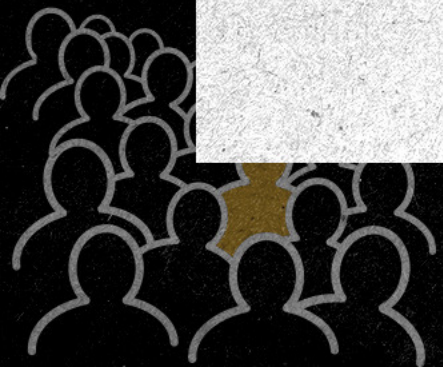
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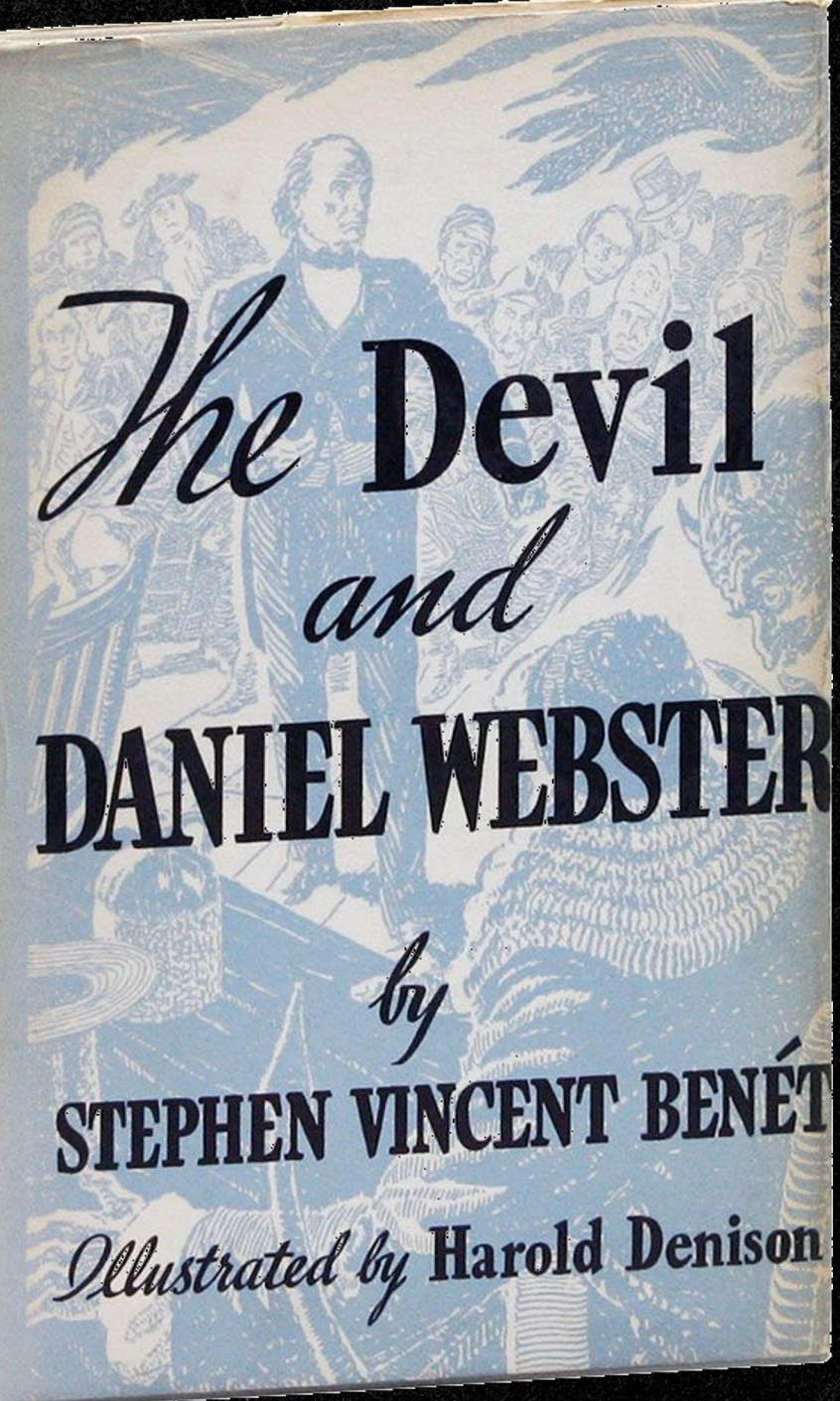
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*The Devil*  
*and*  
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*by*  
**STEPHEN VINCENT BENÉT**

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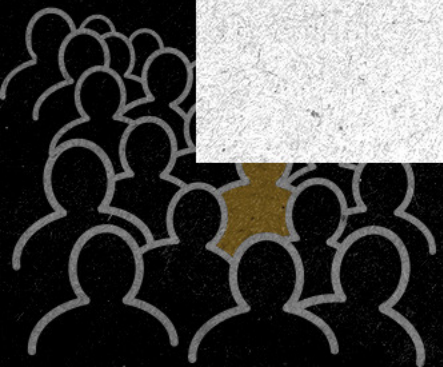
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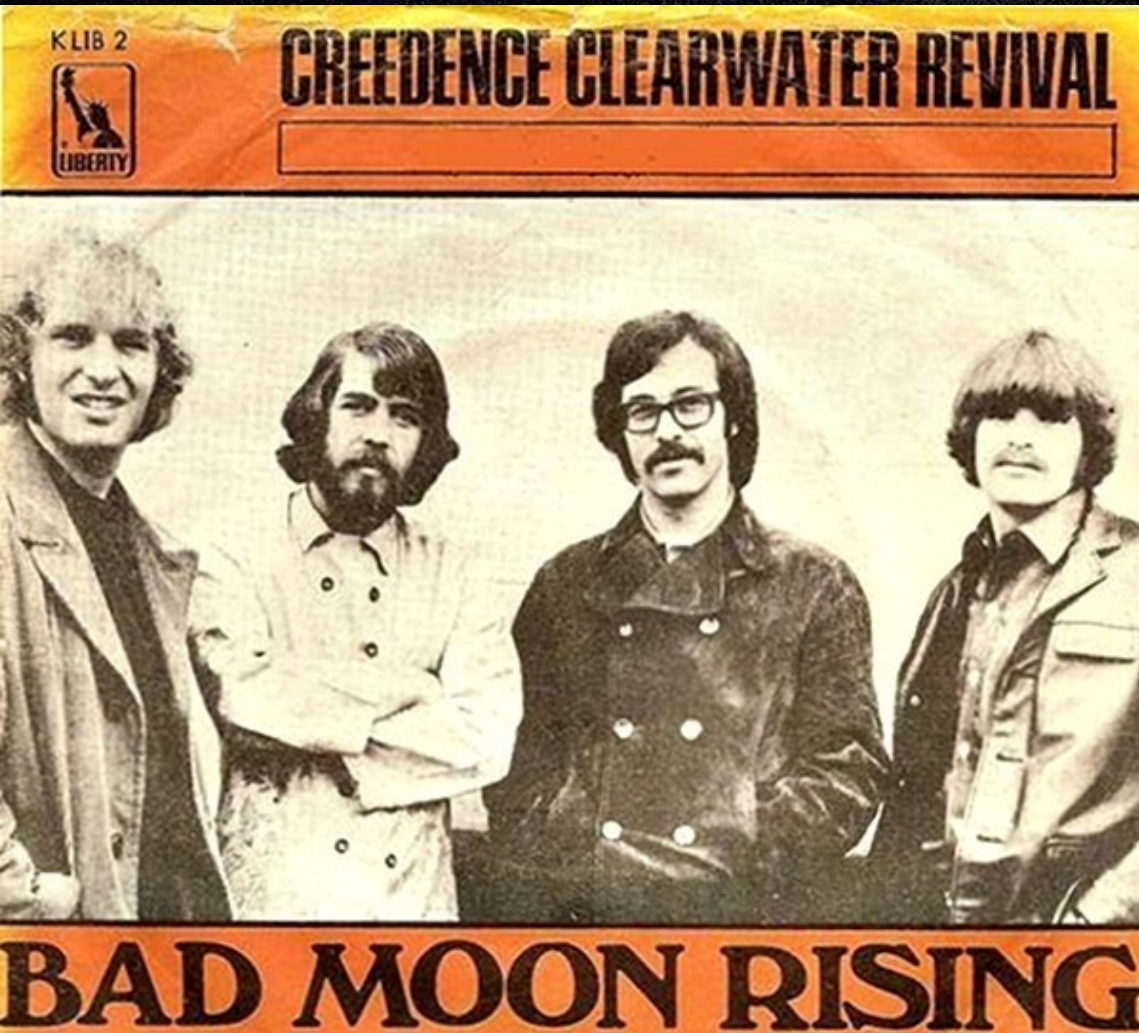
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***This book is available at the FBC Book Nook.***







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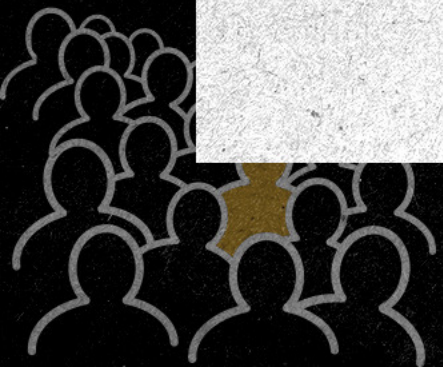
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