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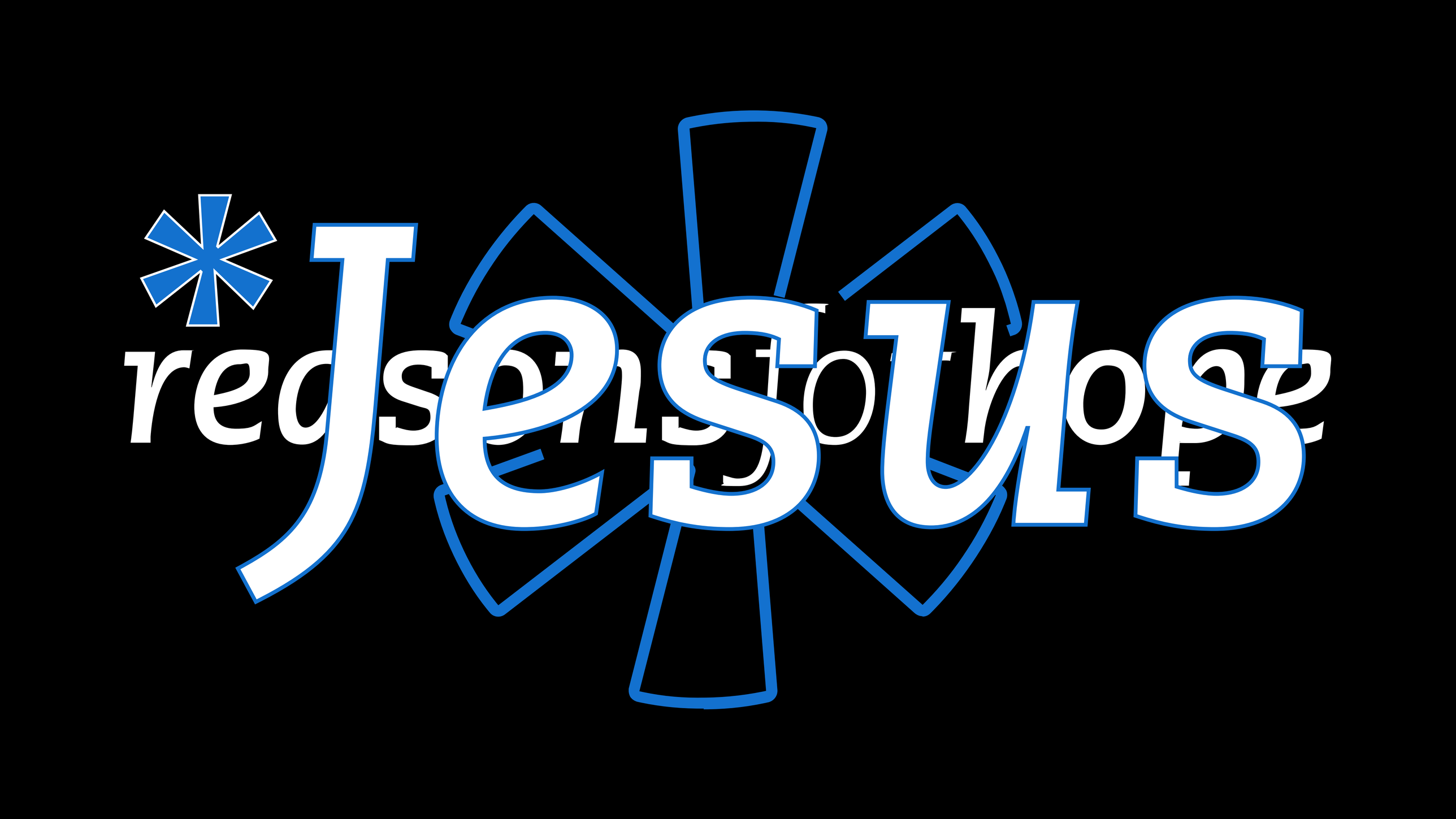
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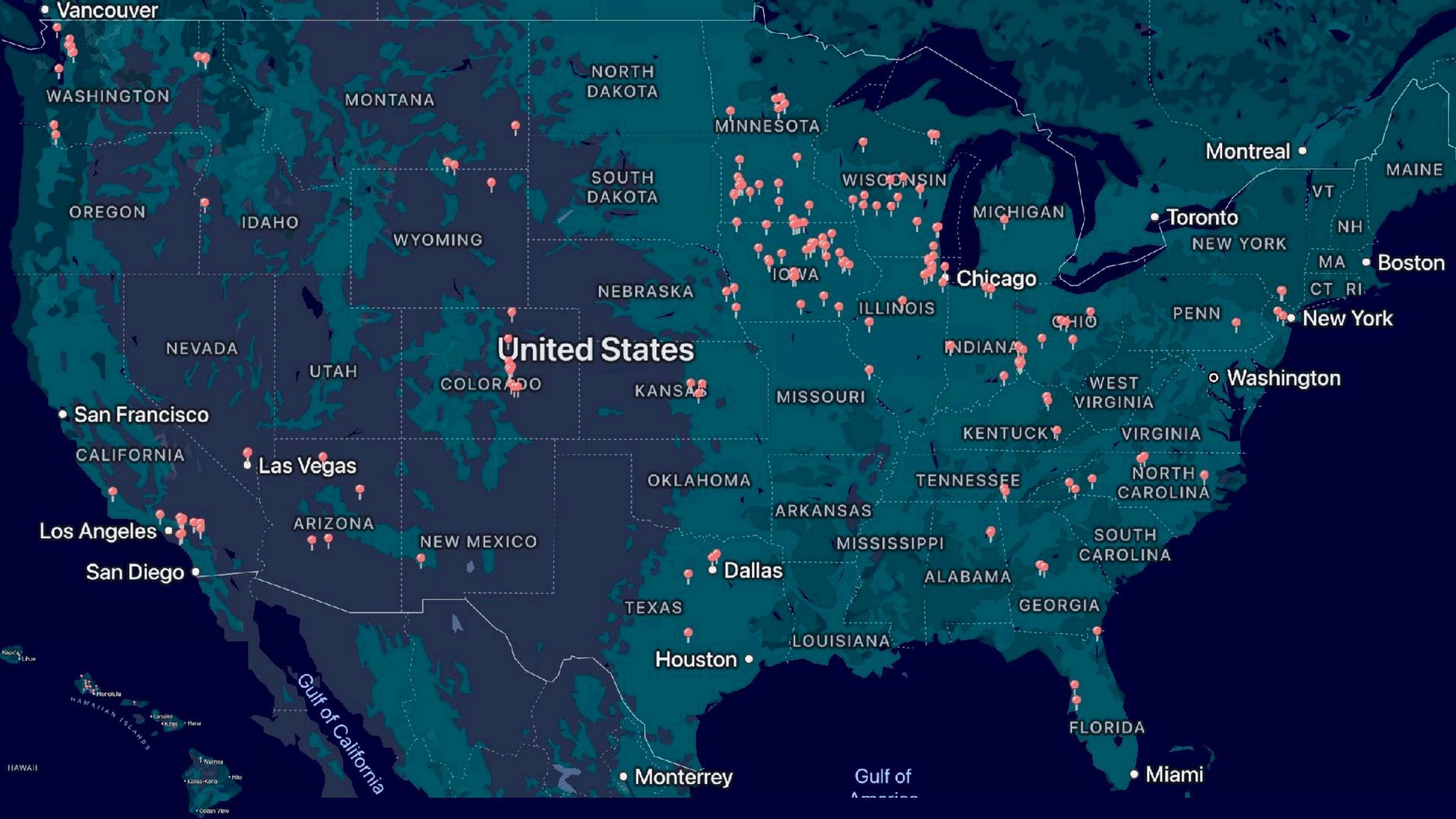
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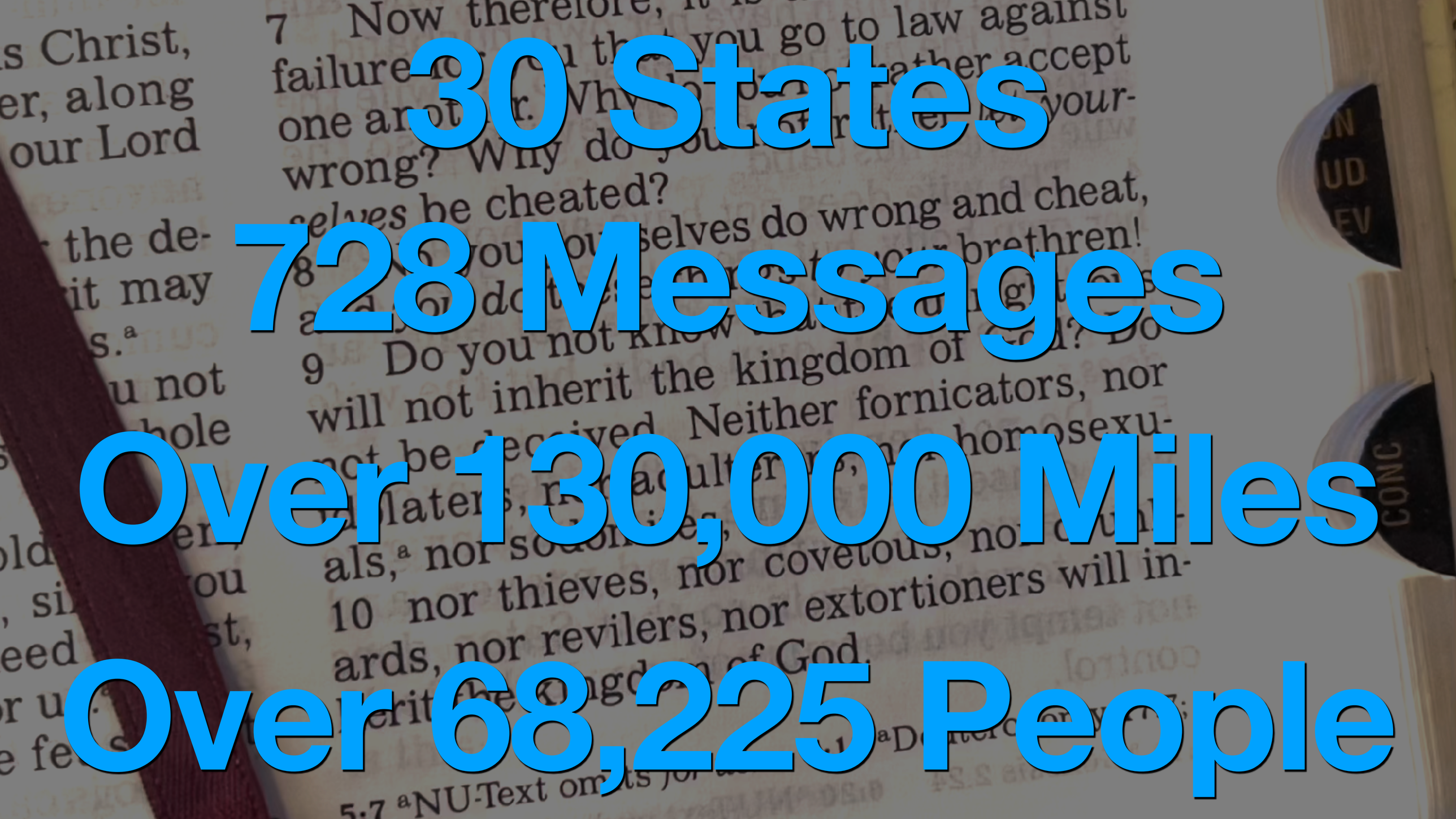
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However, we speak wisdom among those who are mature, yet not the wisdom of this age, nor of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, the hidden wisdom which God ordained before the ages for our glory, which none of the rulers of this age knew; for had they known, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

1 Corinthians 2:6-16

But as it is written: “Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him.” But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God.

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For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God.

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11 For it is written, As I live, saith the
Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every
tongue shall confess to God.
12 So then every one of us shall give ac-
count of himself to God.
13 Let us not therefore judge one another
any more: but judge this rather, that no man
put a stumblingblock or an occasion to fall in
his brother's way.
14 I know, and am persuaded by the Lord
Jesus, that there is nothing unclean of itself:
but to him that esteemeth any thing to be un-
clean, to him it is unclean.
15 But if thy brother be grieved with *thy*
meat, now walkest thou not charitably. De-
stroy not him with thy meat, for whom Christ
died.
16 Let not then your good be evil spoken of:
17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and
drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy
in the Holy Ghost.
18 For he that in these things serveth Christ
is acceptable to God, and approved of men.
19 Let us therefore follow after the things
which make for peace, and things wherewith
one may edify another.

to confirm the promises *made* unto the fathers:
9 And that the Gentiles might glorify God
for his mercy; as it is written, For this cause I
will confess to thee among the Gentiles, and
sing unto thy name.
10 And again he saith, Rejoice, ye Gentiles,
with his people.
11 And again, Praise the Lord, all ye Gen-
tiles; and laud him all ye people.
12 And again, Esaias saith, There shall be a
root of Jesse, and he that shall rise to reign
over the Gentiles; in him shall the Gentiles
trust.
13 Now the God of hope fill you with all joy
and peace in believing, that ye may abound in
hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.
14 And I myself also am persuaded of you,
my brethren, that ye also are full of goodness,
filled with all knowledge, able also to admon-
ish one another.

KNOWLEDGE
WISDOM

1) True spiritual wisdom cannot be humanly discovered!

2) Therefore, true spiritual wisdom must be divinely revealed!

TRUE SPIRITUAL WISDOM FROM GOD IS A MYSTERY

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1 Corinthians 2:6-7

MATURE

MATURE

τέλειος

’teleios, {tel´-i-os}

Definition:

Complete in growth.

To be of full mental and moral character.

For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe. For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

1 Corinthians 1:21-25

“Almost everyone has an opinion as to what God is or is not like, or as to whether He even exists. But man’s opinions are irrelevant, because they can never be more than speculations. By his own resources the creature cannot possibly comprehend his Creator.”

Dr. John MacArthur Jr.

MAN CANNOT DISCOVER IT

which none of the rulers of this age knew; for had they known, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

1 Corinthians 2:8

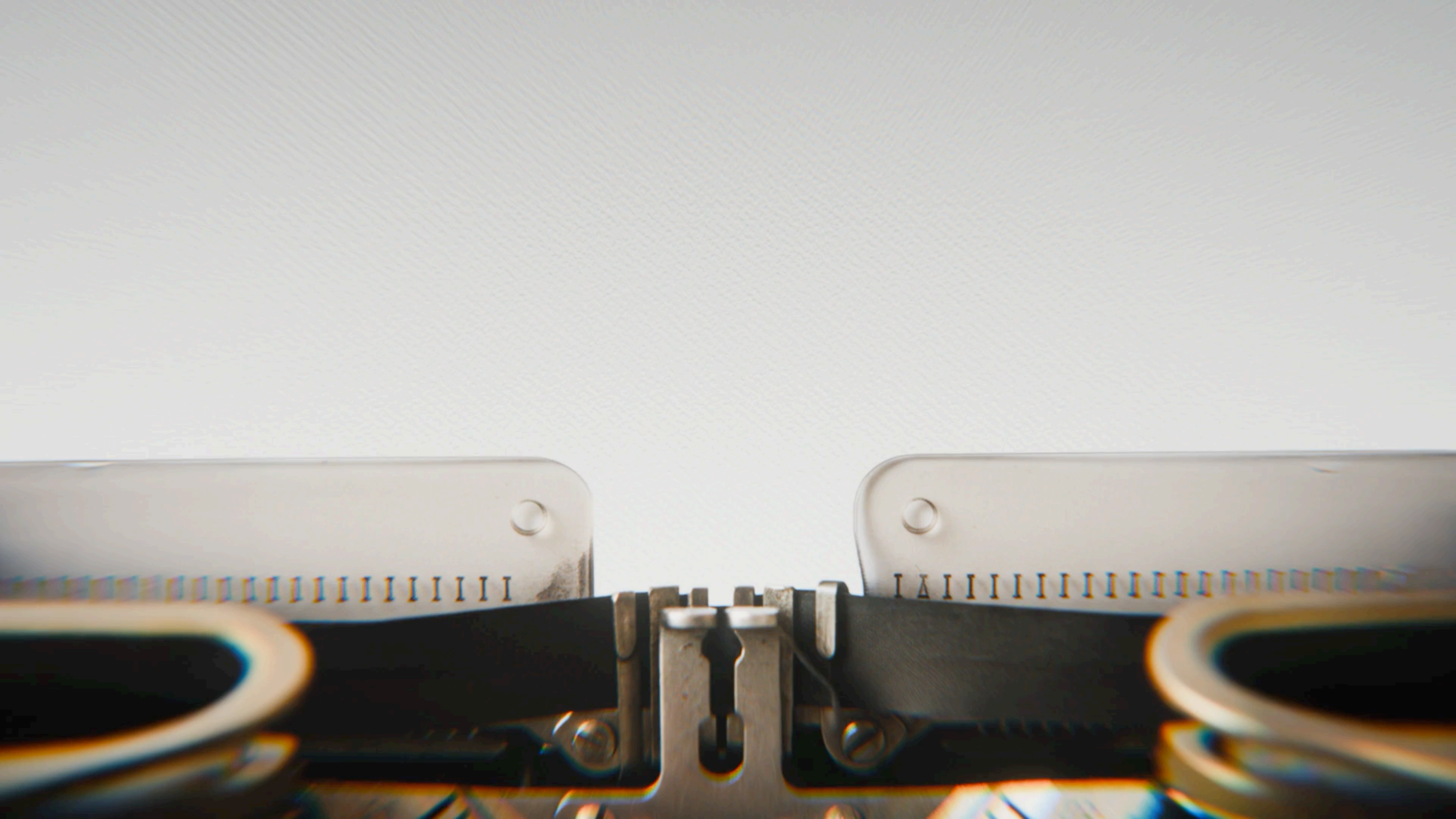
KNEW & KNOWN

γινώσκω

ginosko, {ghin-oce´-ko}

Definition:

To have knowledge and be aware of.
To be assured of and understand because of examination. To be resolved in the mind.



And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me, because He counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry, although I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man; but I obtained mercy because I did it ignorantly in unbelief.

1 Timothy 1:12-13

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ONLY GOD CAN REVEAL IT

But as it is written: “Eye has not seen, nor ear heard,
Nor have entered into the heart of man the things
which God has prepared for those who love Him.”

1 Corinthians 2:9

3 WAYS THE SPIRIT REVEALS GOD

GOD'S WISDOM COMES BY REVELATION

But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God. For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God.

1 Corinthians 2:10-11

REVELATION

REVEALED

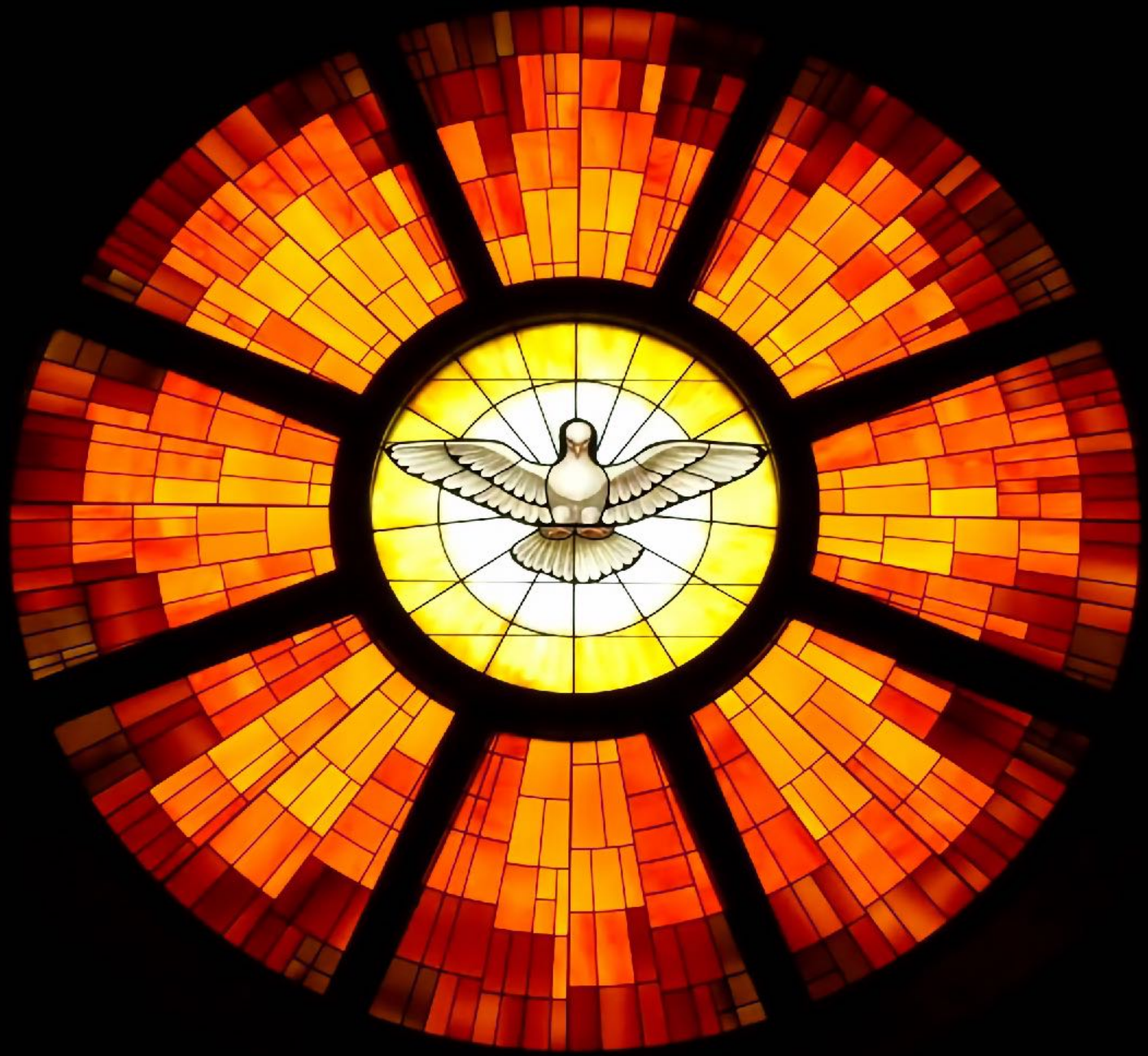
ἀποκαλύπτω

apokalupto {ap-ok-al-oop´-to}

Definition:

To uncover. To disclose. To plainly declare. To appear, be manifested, and announced.

- The Spirit knows the mind of God perfectly.
- So God revealed His Word through the Spirit.
- The Holy Spirit is the divine author of Scripture.
- Therefore, the revelation is God’s pure Word.



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1 Corinthians 2:12-13

INSPIRATION

- His truth cannot be discovered by man; it can only be received.

- God's truth can be received because is it freely given.

- The Spirit who is from God, not the spirit of the world, has brought God's Word—which comprises the things freely given to us by God.

- Therefore, the Bible is the Spirit's vehicle for bringing God's revelation!

1) WE & 2) US

1) ἐγώ & 2) ἡμεῖς

1) ego & 2) hemeis

Definition:

I and me in the singular case.

We and us in the nominative plural.

The Writers of the New Testament

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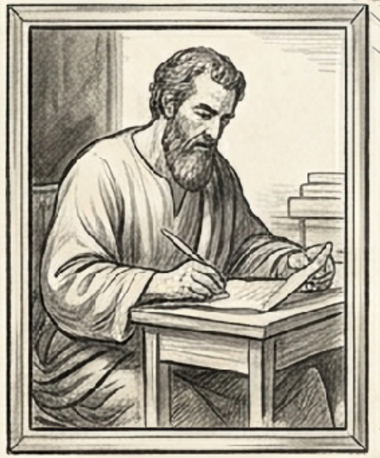

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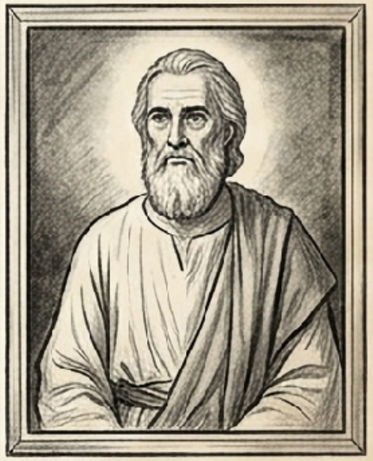


8. JUDE

- Only those men properly can be said to have been “inspired”.
- Paul and the other writers of Scripture did not record their own ideas and interpretations.
- They recorded what God gave them and only what God gave them.
- That’s why it says, “We have received… that we might know”.
- The Spirit used words that the human writers knew and used, but He selected them and arranged them in precisely the order that He wanted.
- THE BIBLE THEREFORE IS NOT ONLY GOD’S WORD, BUT GOD’S WORDS!!!

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry. Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, “If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread.”
But He answered and said, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.’ ”

Matthew 4:1-4

GOD'S WISDOM COMES BY ILLUMINATION

But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one. For “who has known the mind of the LORD that he may instruct Him?” But we have the mind of Christ.

1 Corinthians 2:14-16

ILLUMINATION

- It is possible to read the Bible—even many different copies and versions of the Bible—and yet not understand it.

- It is possible to study the Bible for many years, memorizing much of it, and still not understand it.

- The scribes and Pharisees of Jesus' day were highly trained in the Old Testament, yet they missed its central message.

- In fact, they completely failed to recognize the promised Messiah when He came and lived among them!

And the Father Himself, who sent Me, has testified of Me. You have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His form. But you do not have His word abiding in you, because whom He sent, Him you do not believe. You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me.

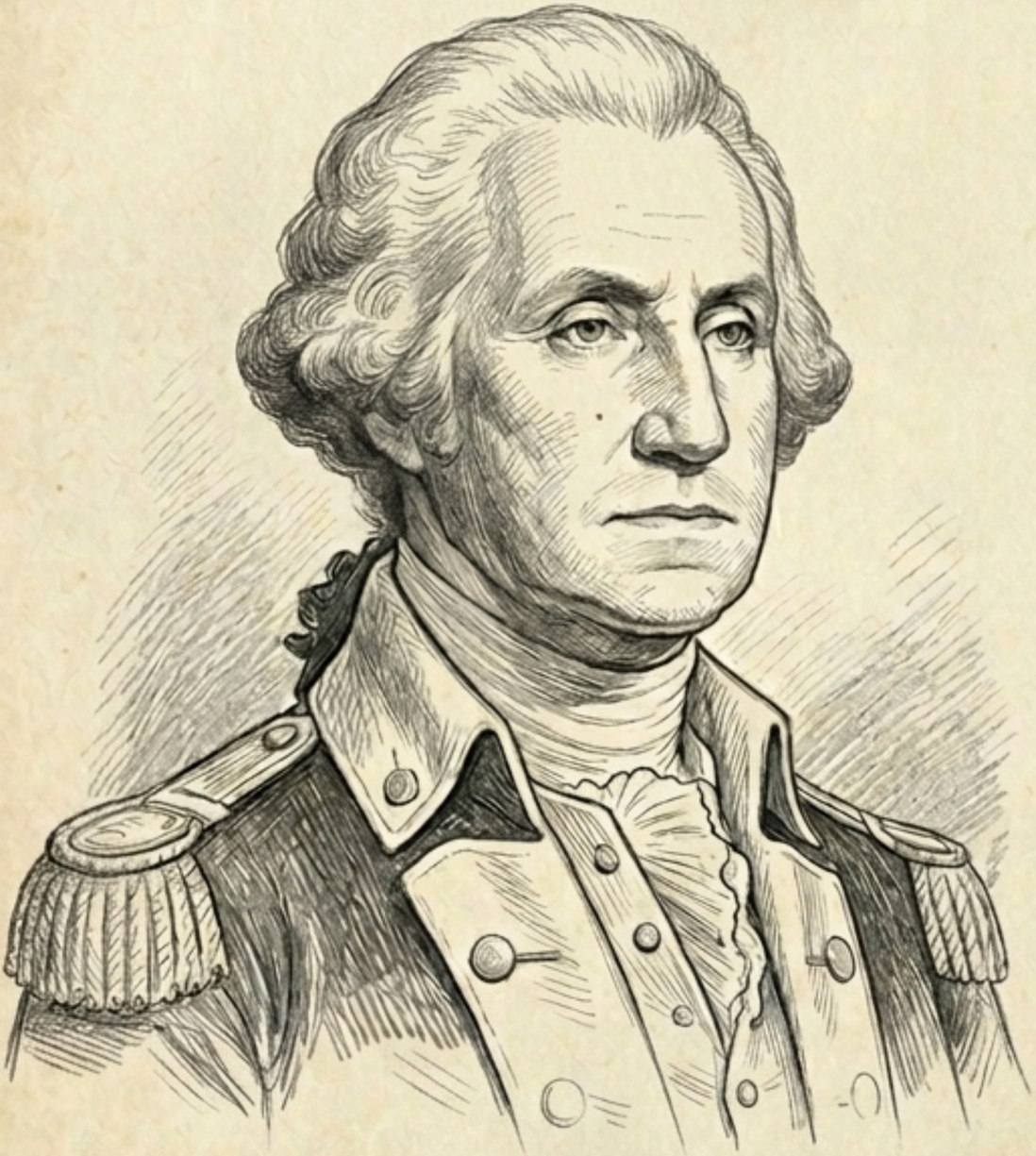
John 5:37-39

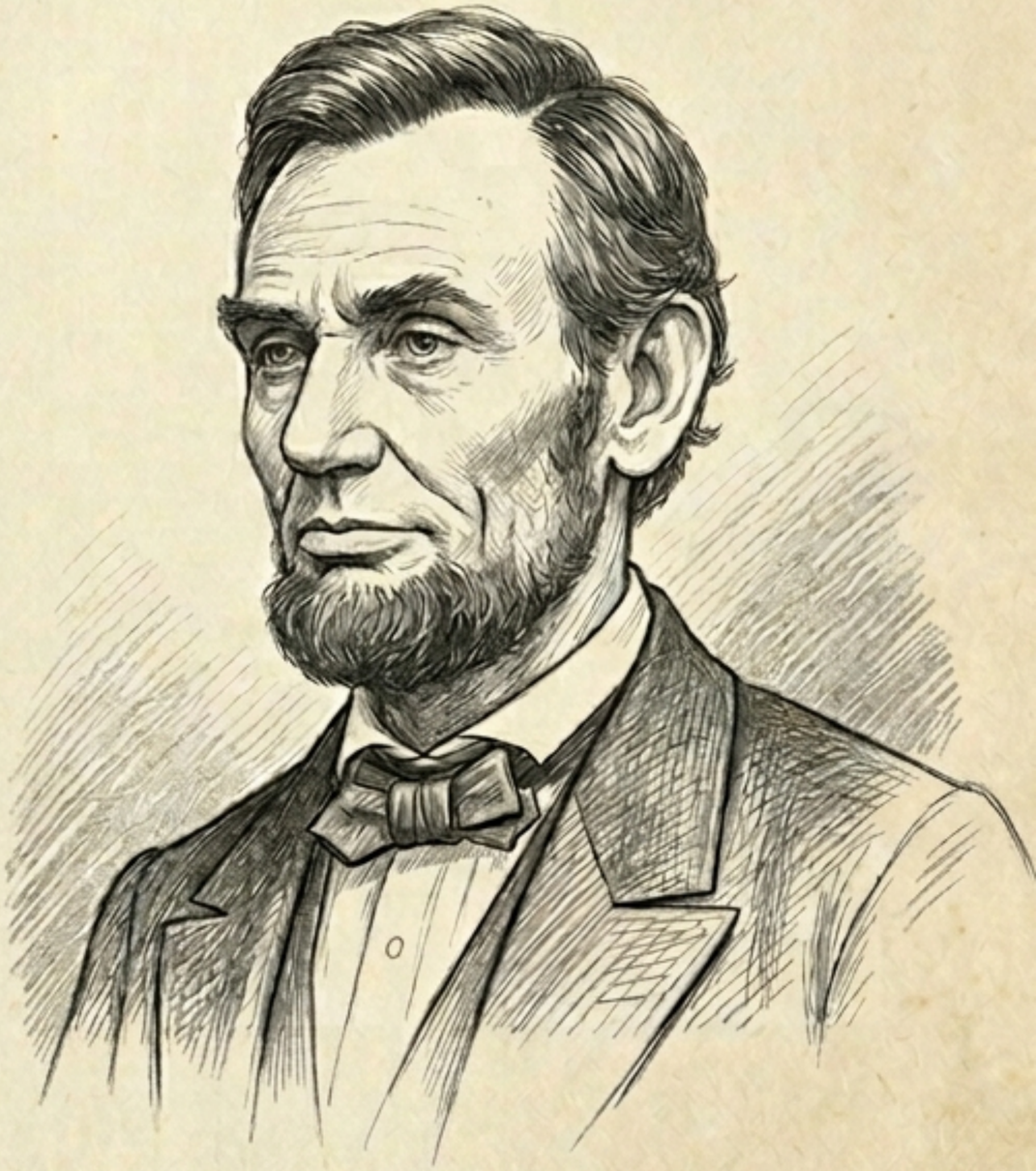
Open my eyes, that I may see wondrous things from Your law.

Psalm 119:18

"The Bible cannot be understood simply by study or talent; you must count only on the influence of the Holy Spirit."

Martin Luther





SHOULD WE HAVE CONCERNS WITH AI AS BELIEVERS?

Then the LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it.

Genesis 2:15

KEEP = שָׁמַר

SHAMAR {SHAW-MAR´}

- TO HEDGE AROUND.
- TO GUARD.
- PRESERVE & PROTECT.

Then the LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it.

Genesis 2:15

Tend = עָבַד

ʿABAD {AW-BAD}

- To work.
- To till.
- To bring to pass.

‘Cursed is the ground for your sake; In toil you shall eat of it All the days of your life…
In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread Till you return to the ground, For out of it you were taken; For dust you are, And to dust you shall return.”

Genesis 3:17b & 19

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WHAT ABOUT USING AI FOR CREATING BIBLE STUDIES?

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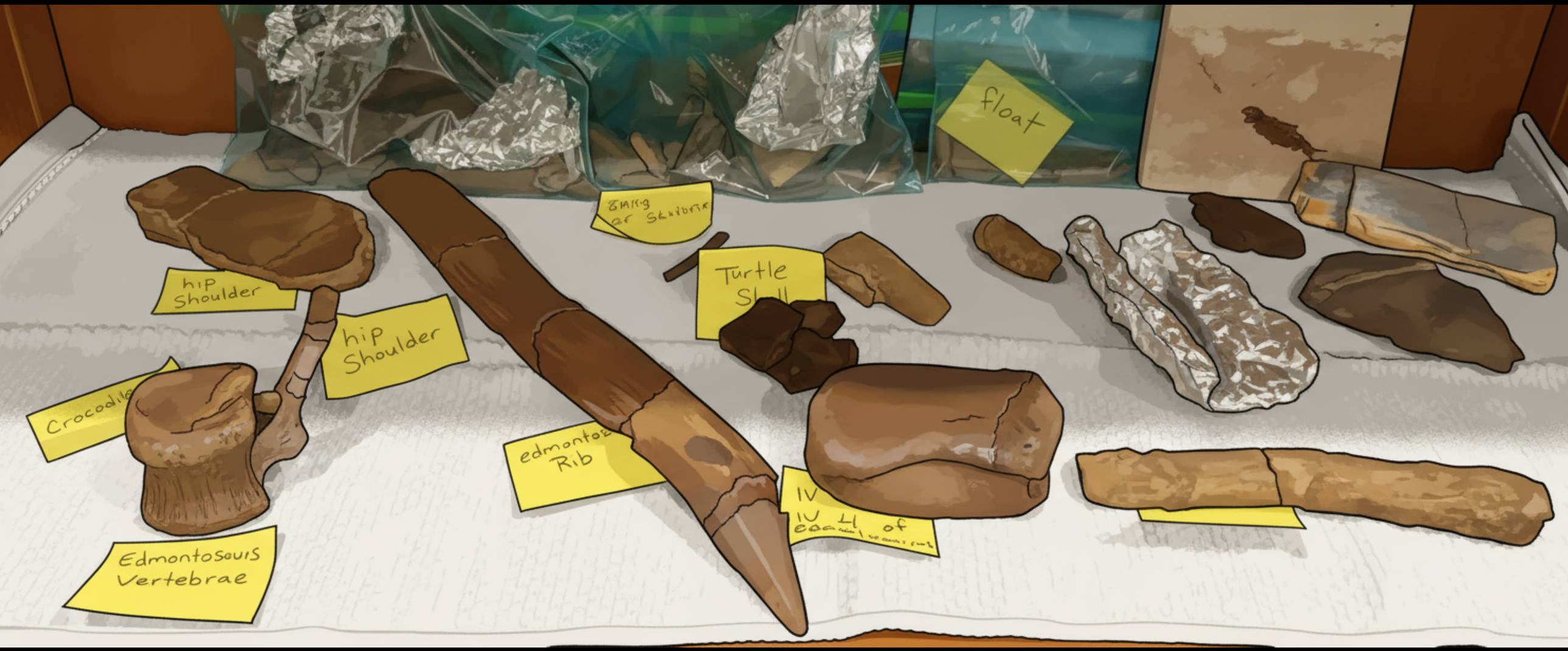
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My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart; For they are life to those who find them, And health to all their flesh. Keep your heart with all diligence, For out of it spring the issues of life.

Proverbs 40:20-23

My son, if you receive my words, And treasure my commands within you, So that you incline your ear to wisdom, And apply your heart to understanding; Yes, if you cry out for discernment, And lift up your voice for understanding, If you seek her as silver, And search for her as for hidden treasures; Then you will understand the fear of the LORD, And find the knowledge of God.

Proverbs 2:1-5

“People say, ‘Work smarter, not harder.’ That's a false choice. Hard work is not the enemy of smart work. What we want today in our workforce and for our neighbors, are people who work smarter and harder.”

Mike Rowe

AI CAN SOUND AUTHORITATIVE EVEN WHEN IT IS WRONG

Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

1 John 4:1

These [the Bereans] were more fair-minded than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness, and searched the Scriptures daily to find out whether these things were so.

Acts 17:11

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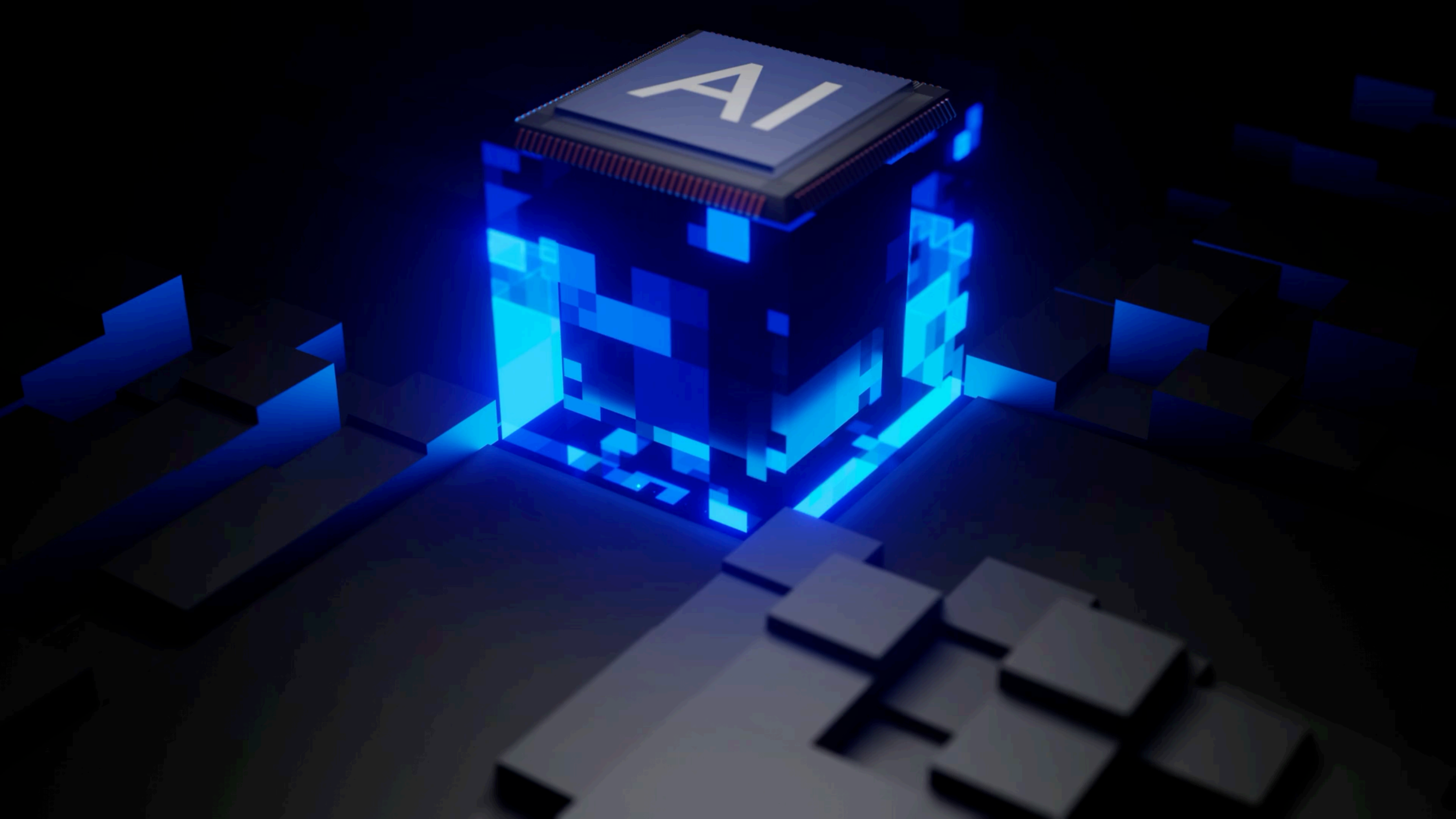
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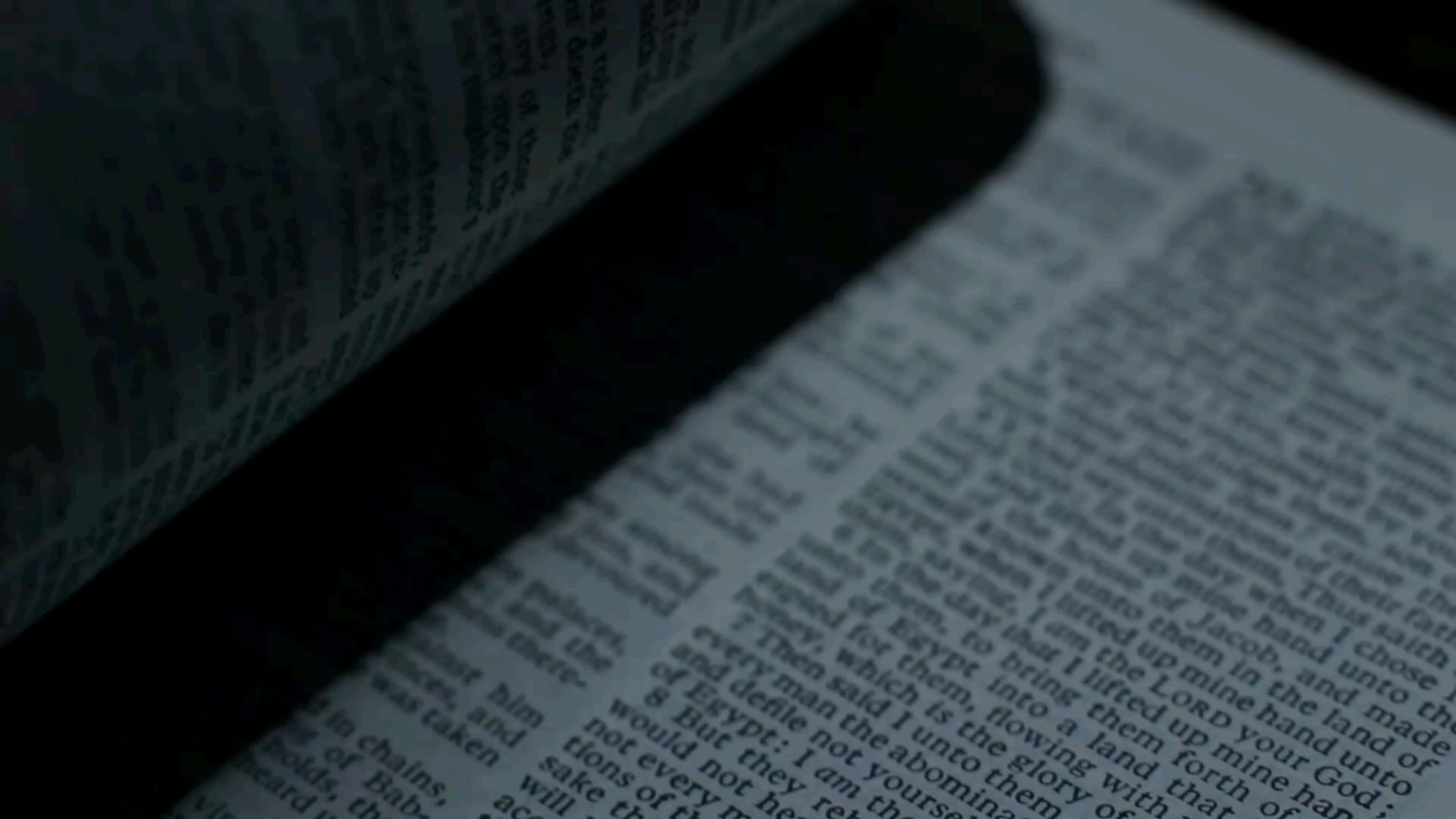

AI CAN MAKE US DEPEND ON ANSWERS INSTEAD OF SEEKING GOD

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.

Proverbs 3:5-6

If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach...

James 1:5a

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UNFORGIVENESS

AI CAN CREATE THE ILLUSION OF SPIRITUAL MATURITY

Knowledge puffs up, but love edifies.

1 Corinthians 8:1c

Always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

2 Timothy 3:7

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AI CAN BECOME A COUNTERFEIT COUNSELOR

However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.

John 16:13

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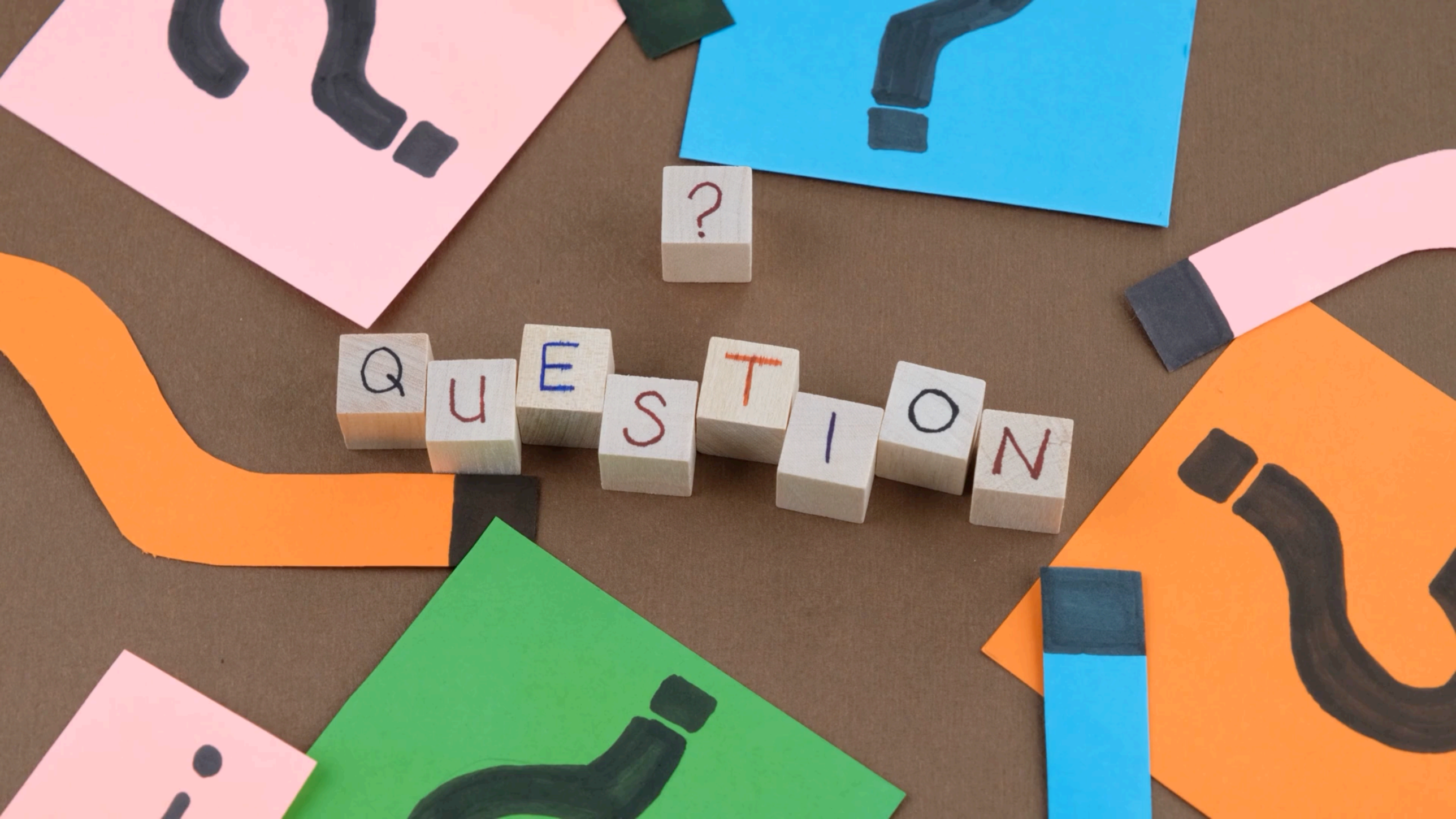
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AI CAN ENCOURAGE SPIRITUAL LAZINESS

Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

2 Timothy 2:15

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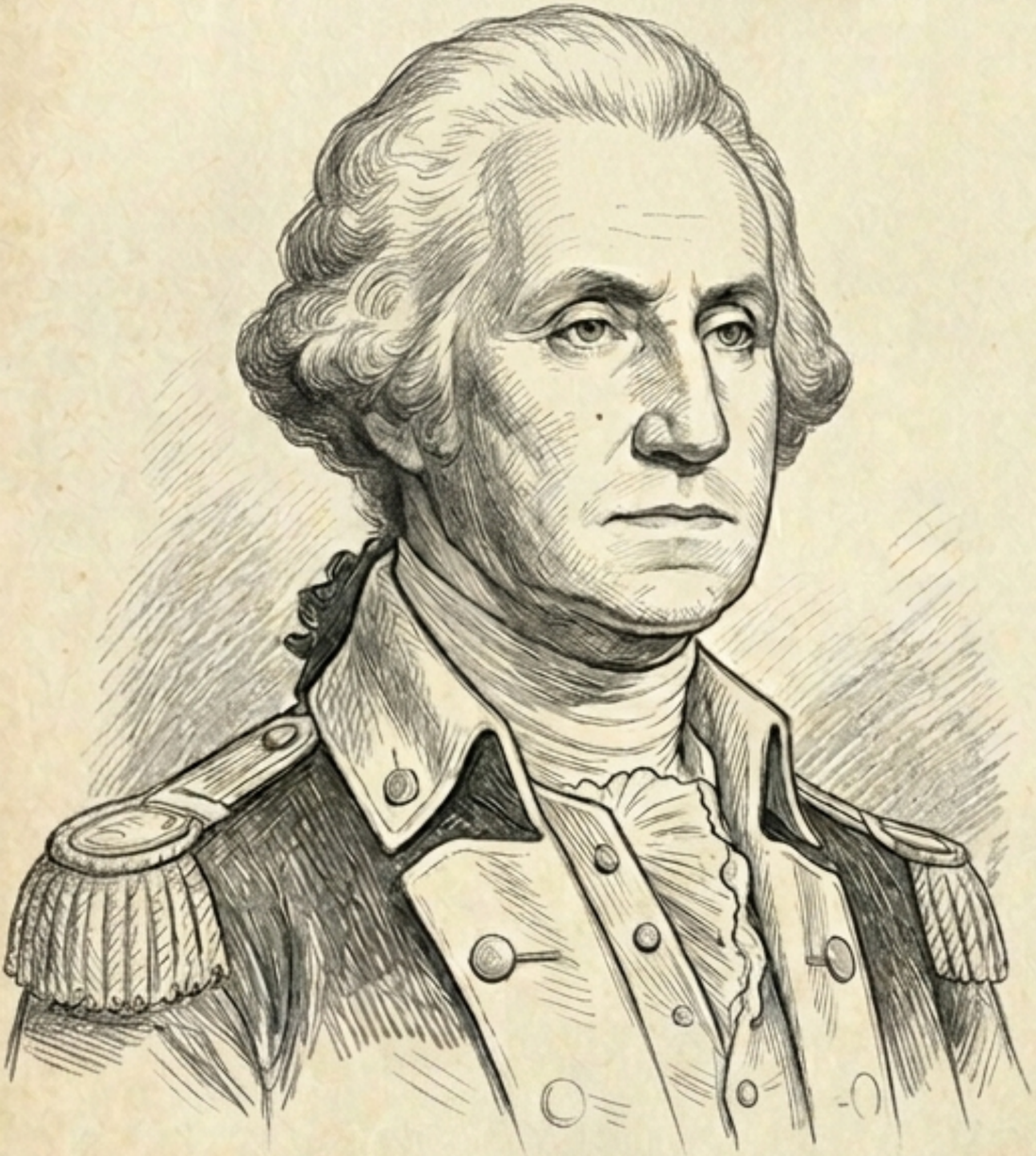

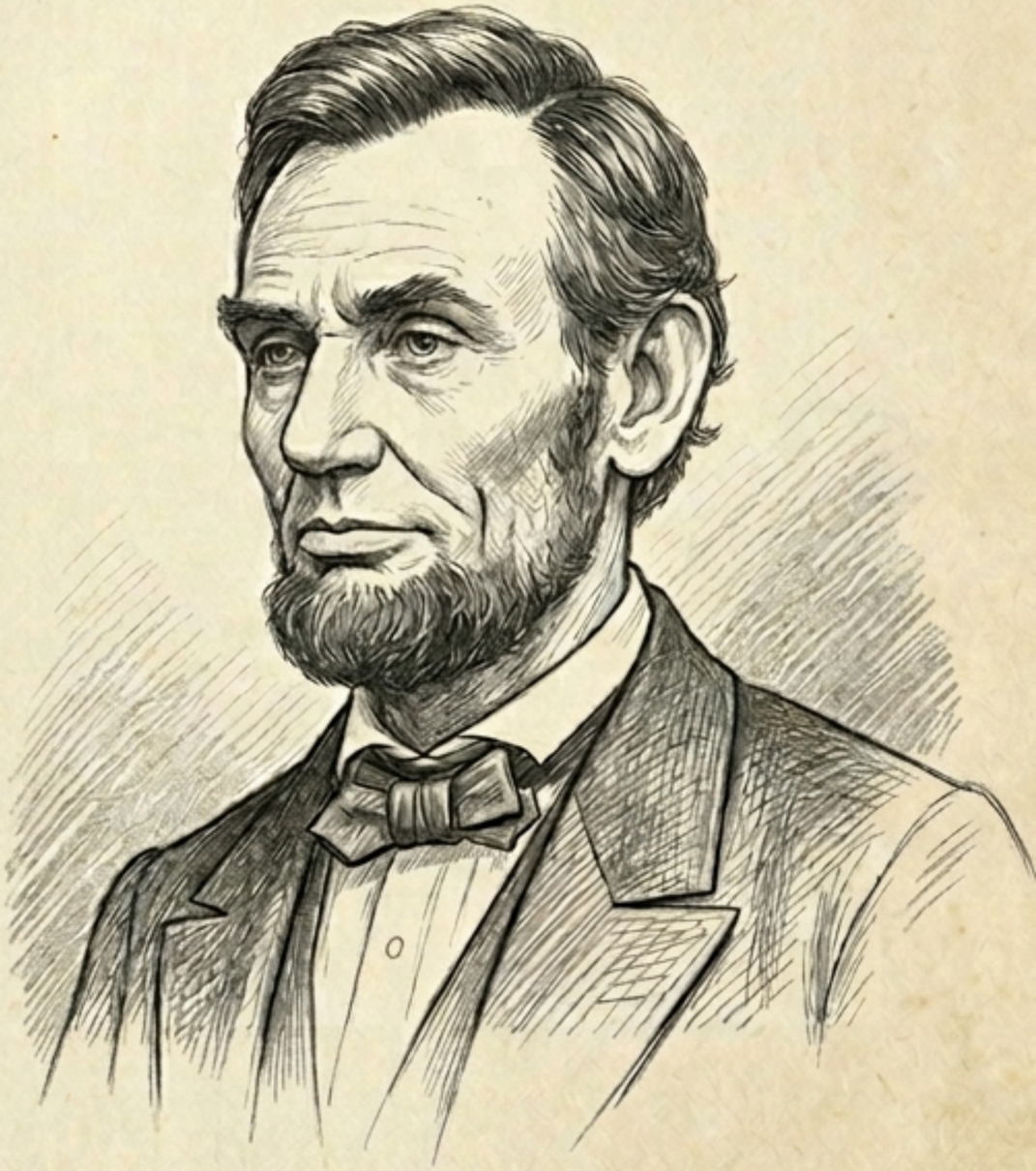

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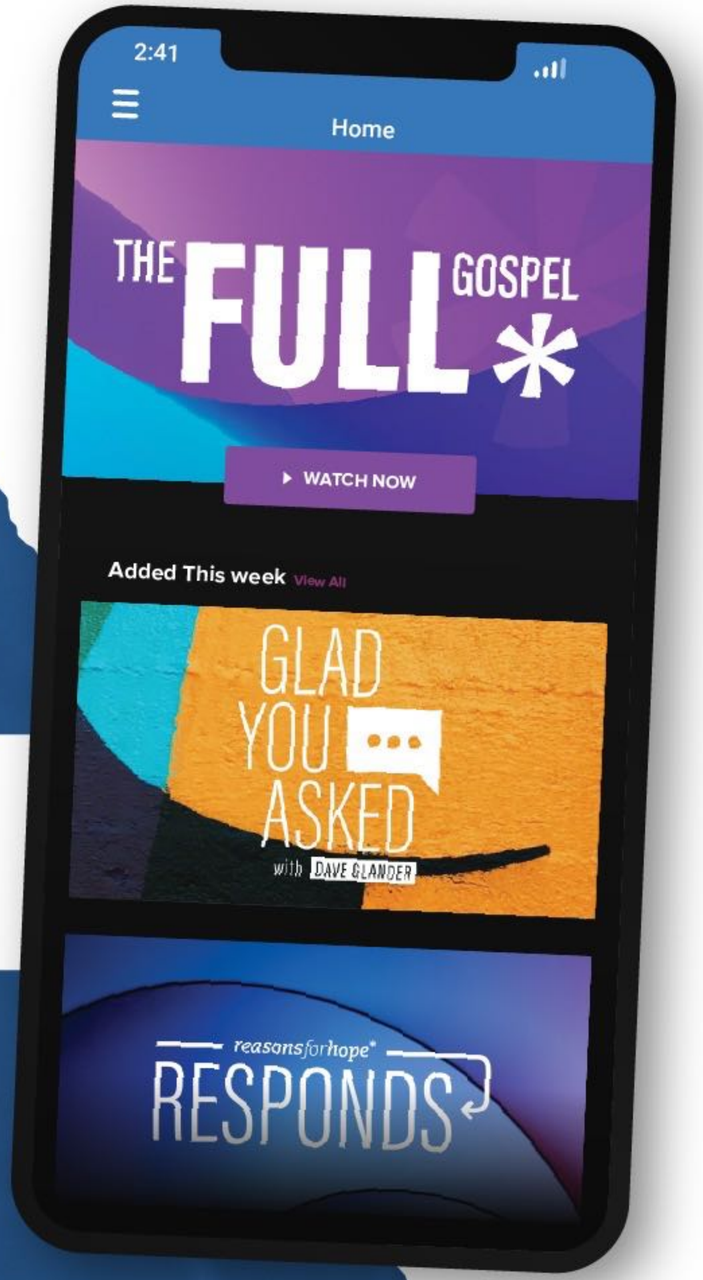

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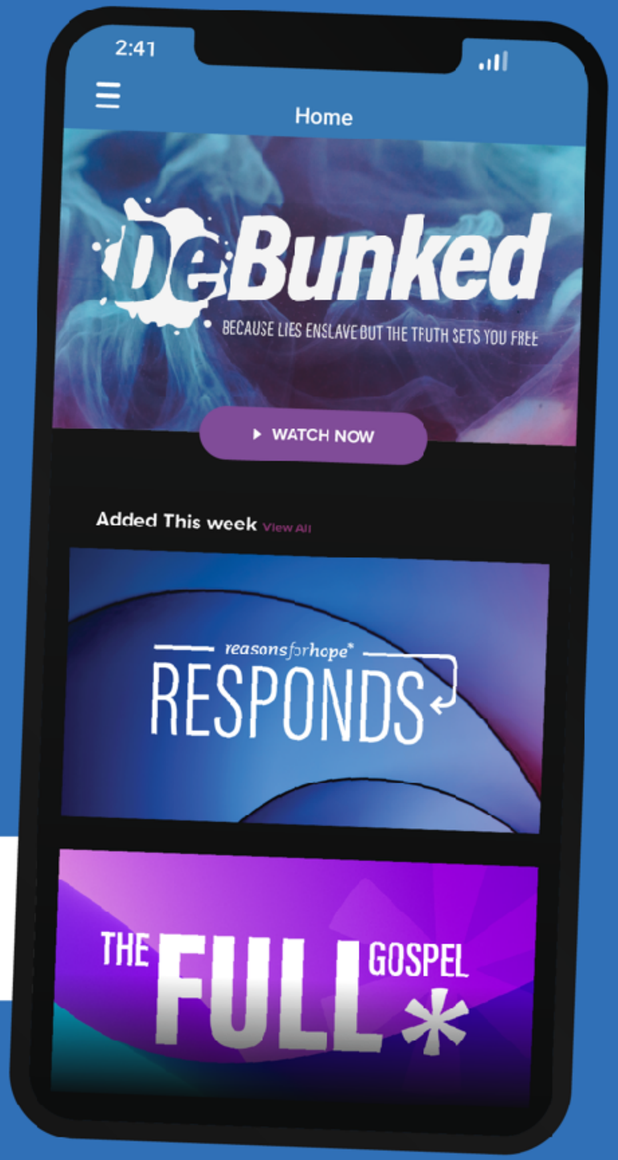

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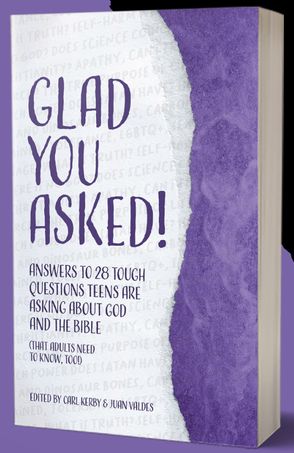

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"...Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?"
Then I said, "Here *am* I! Send me."

ISAIAH 6:8B

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