



WHO IS JESUS?

MATTHEW 16:15

Proverbs 19:11

A person's wisdom yields
patience;

it is to one's glory to overlook,
an offense.



Ephesians 4:2

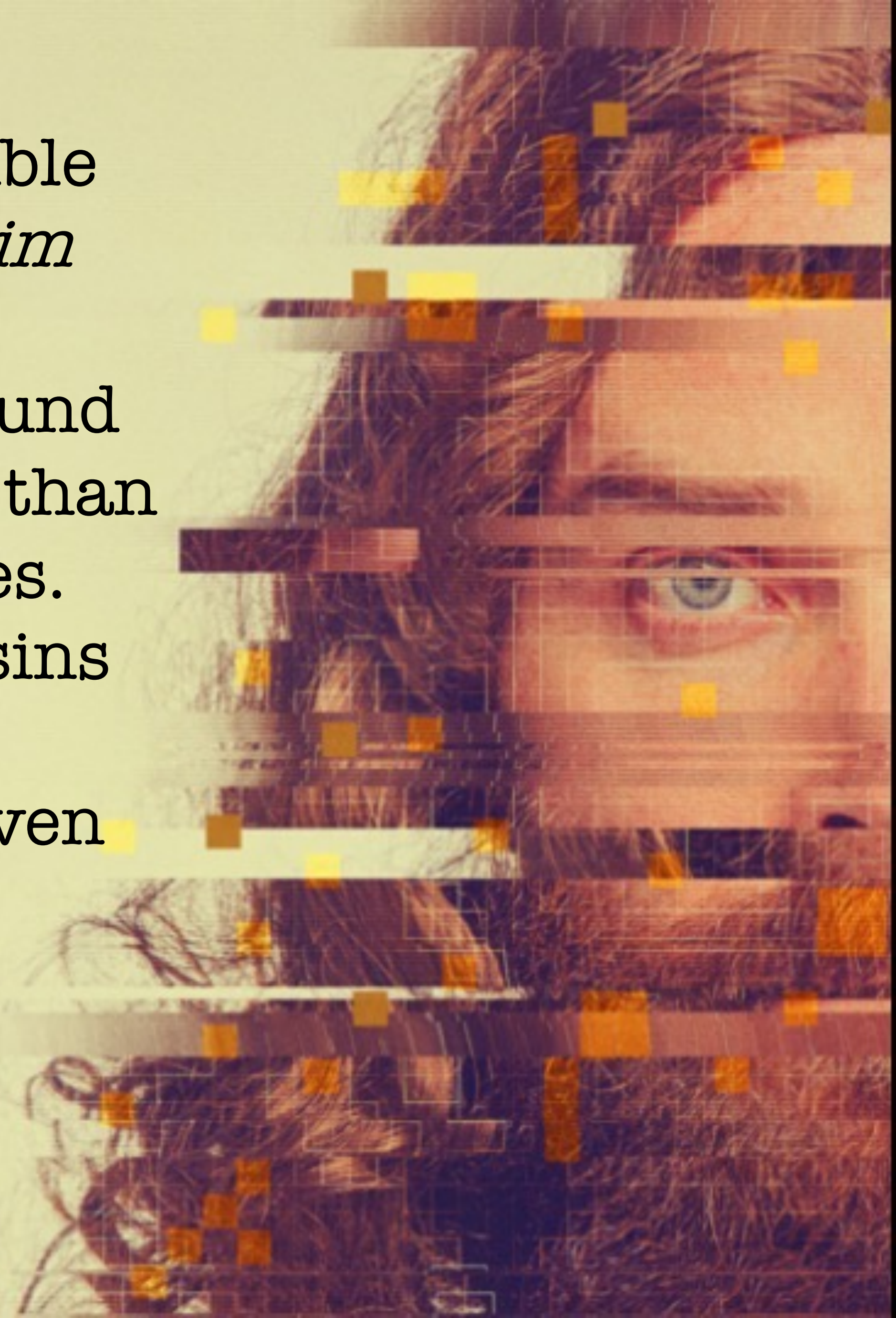
Be patient with each other,
making allowances for
each other's faults
because of your love.



Luke 17:1

Then He said to the disciples, “It is impossible that no offenses should come, but woe *to him* through whom they do come! ² It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were thrown into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones.

³ Take heed to yourselves. If your brother sins against you, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him. ⁴ And if he sins against you seven times in a day, and seven times in a day returns to you, saying, ‘I repent,’ you shall forgive him.” ⁵ And the apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith.”



Luke 17:4

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Matthew 5:43-44

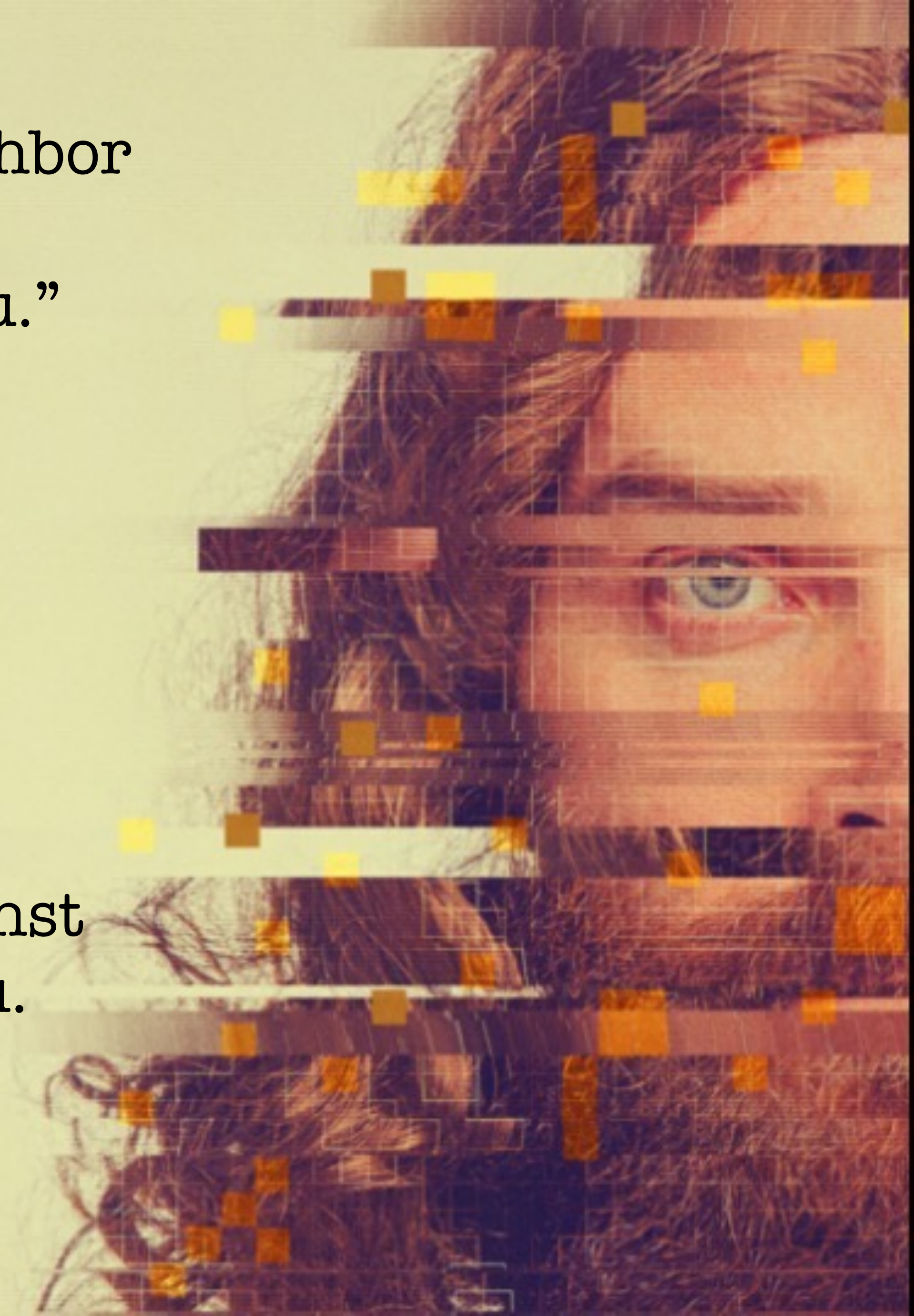
You've heard that it was said, "Love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."

Ephesians 4:32

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other just as in Christ, God forgave you.

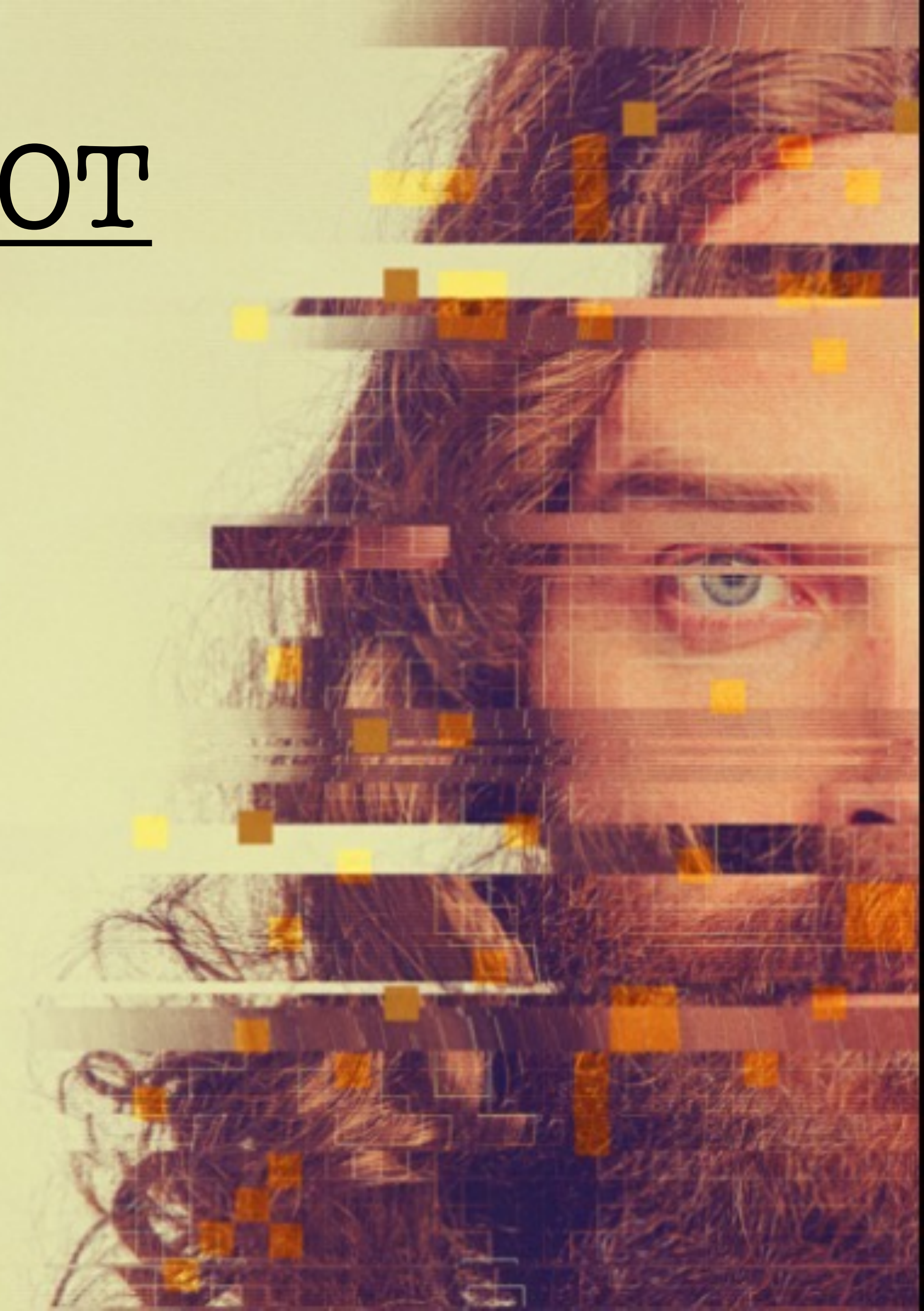
Matthew 6:14

If you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others their sins, your father will not forgive your sins.



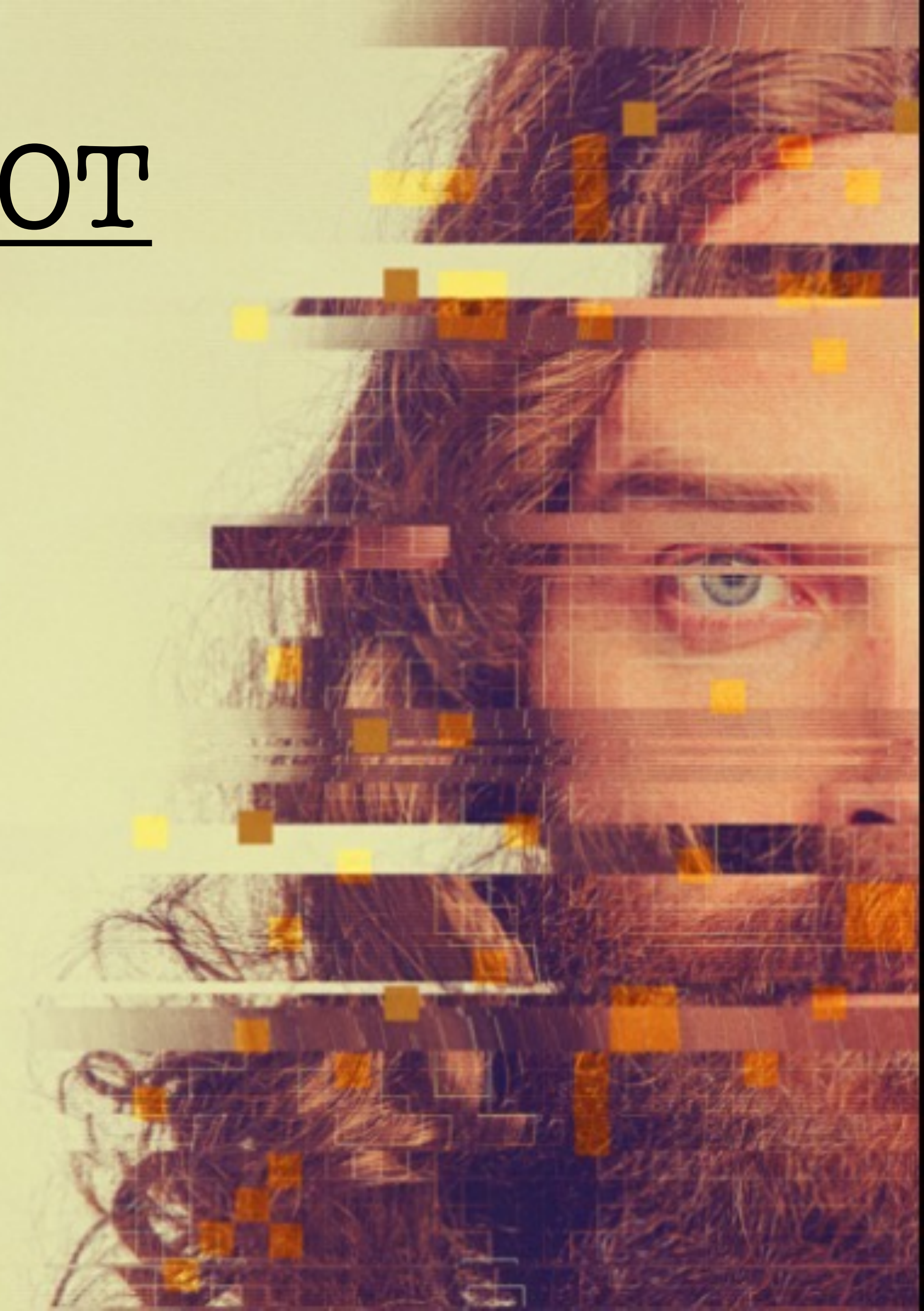
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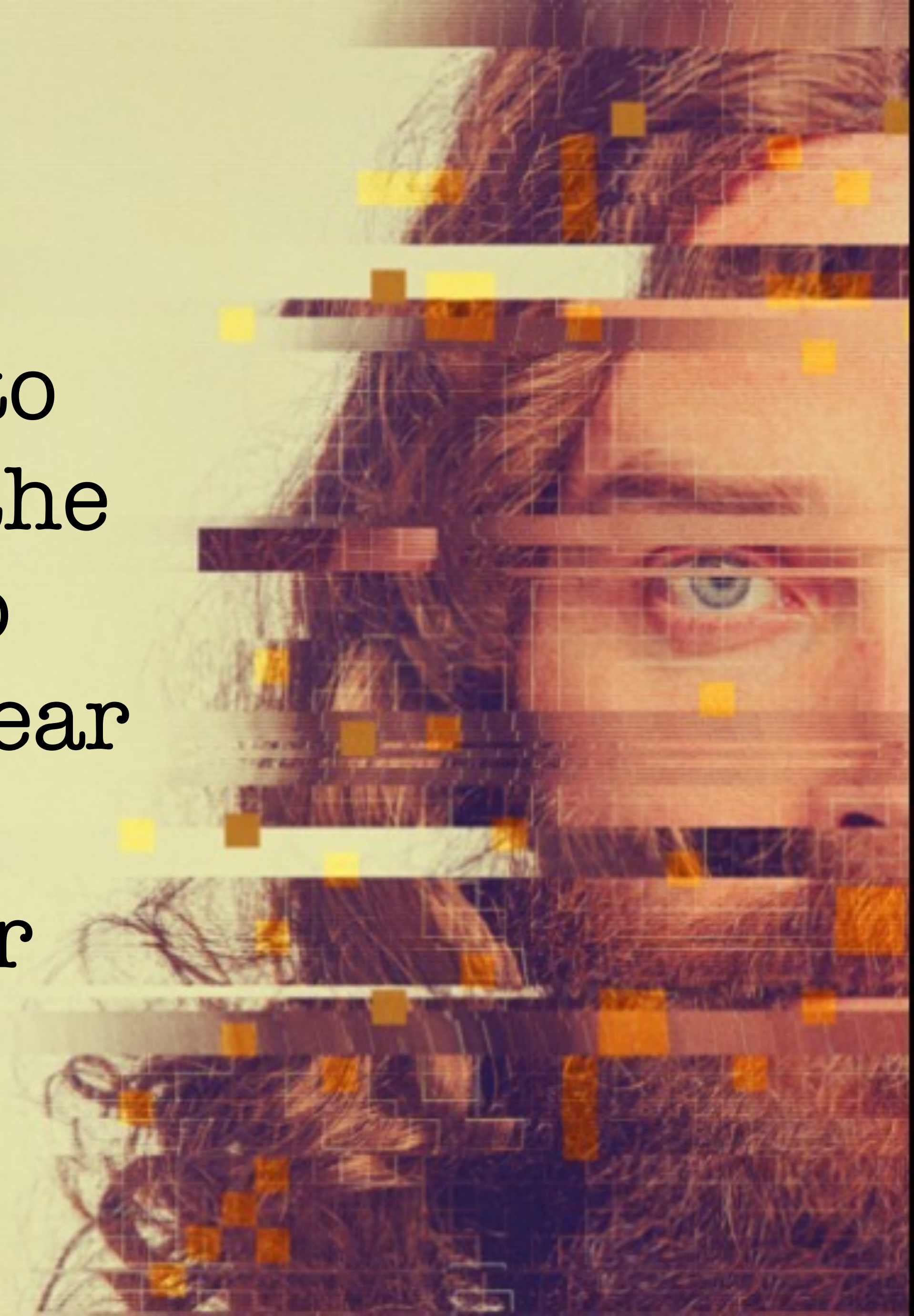


God's always just,
but he's not always fair.



Psalm 103:10-12

He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. ¹¹For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him, ¹²as far as the east is from the west, so he has removed our transgressions from us.



What is Forgiveness?

1. Giving others what God gave us in Christ.



1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and JUST and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.



The gospel isn't just
receiving forgiveness,
but it's giving forgiveness.



Forgiveness doesn't just
flow to us;

Forgiveness flows through us.



Matthew 6:12

...And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who
trespass against us...



Forgiving someone may not
set them free.

But forgiving someone else
always sets you free.



Forgiveness is not easy.
It takes FAITH to forgive.



What does faith do?

1. Faith enables me to see an opportunity for freedom.
2. Faith empowers me



It takes faith to believe that on the other side of the offense, there's something better than holding onto the offense and hurts.



Every good marriage is always
made up of two good forgivers



It's not about how much
forgiveness someone deserves,
it's about how much freedom do
you want?





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