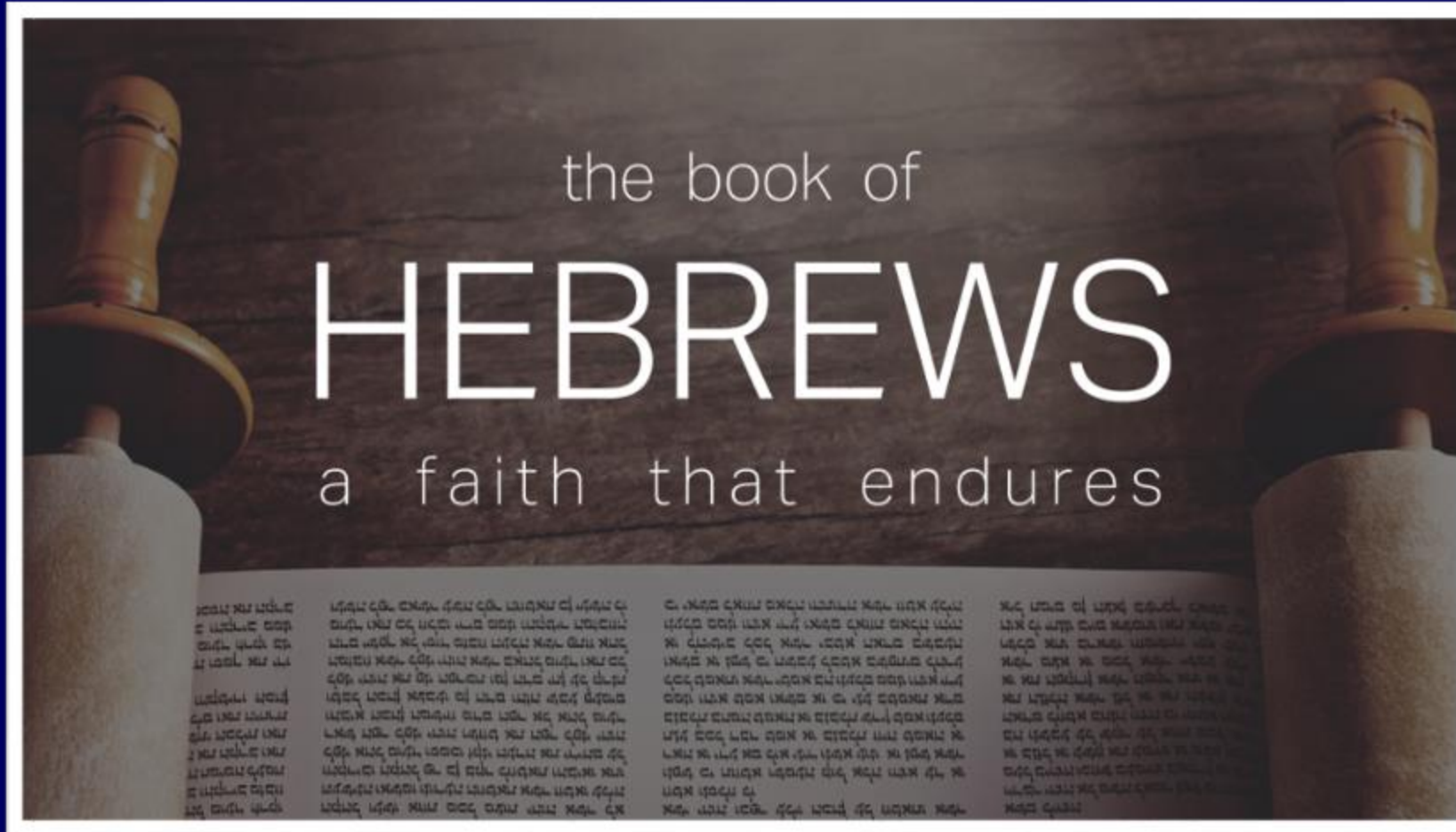




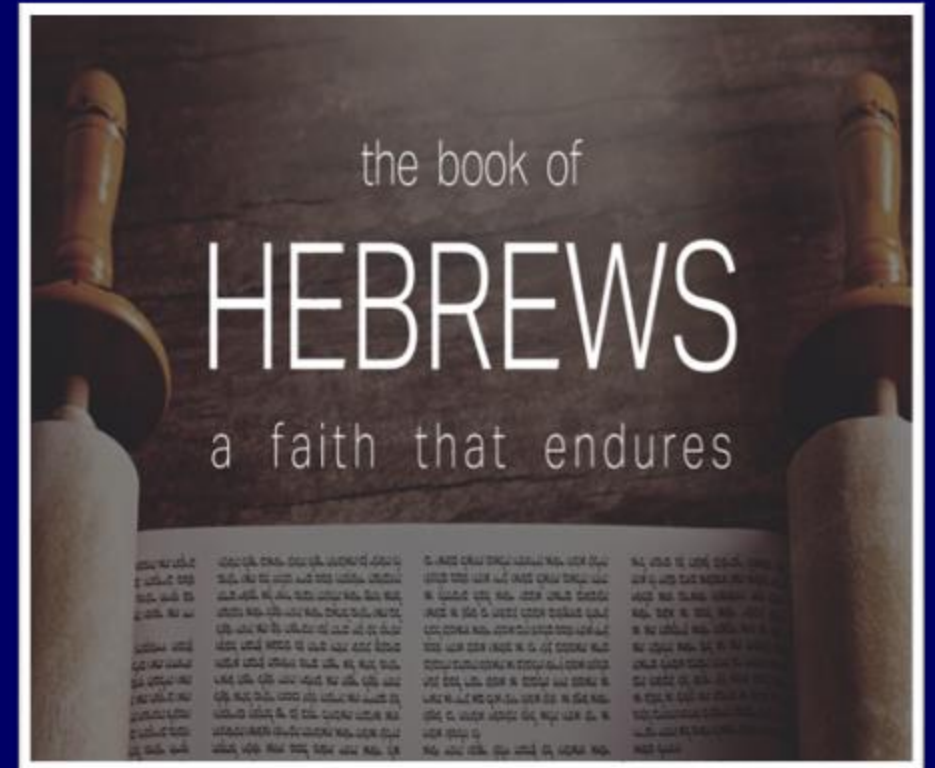
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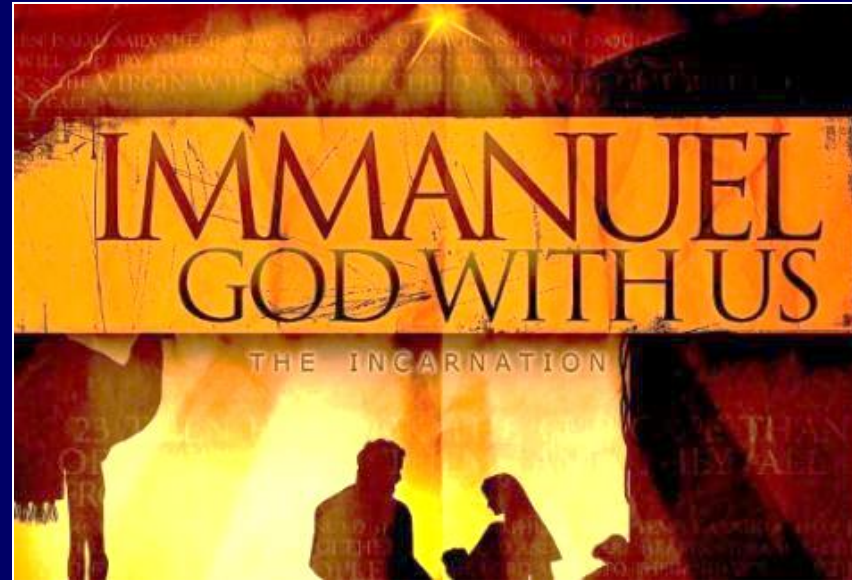
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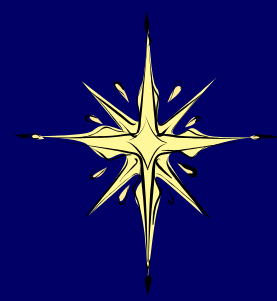
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Jesus Christ Our Lord, 143-44

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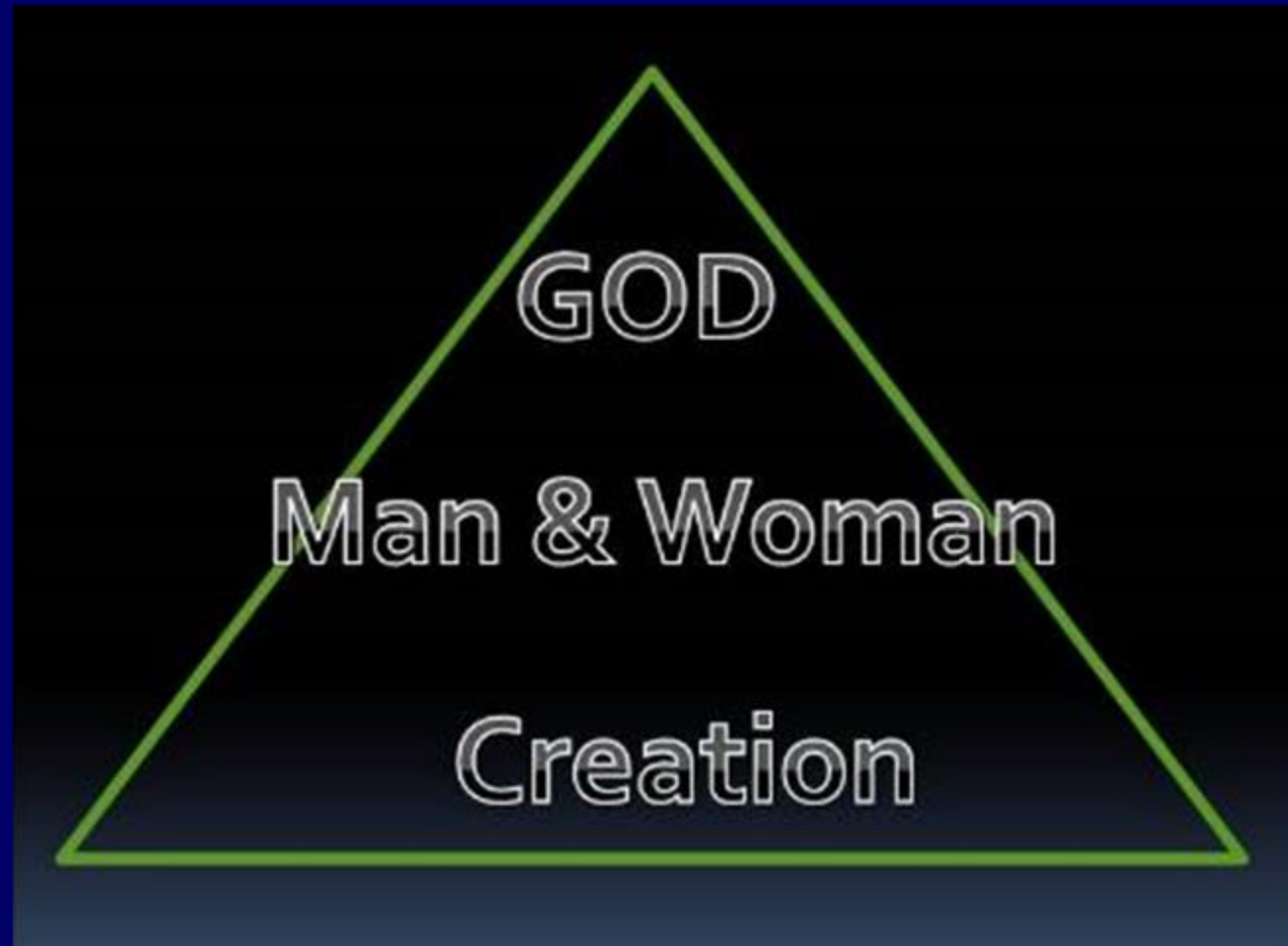
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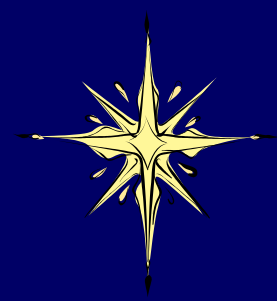
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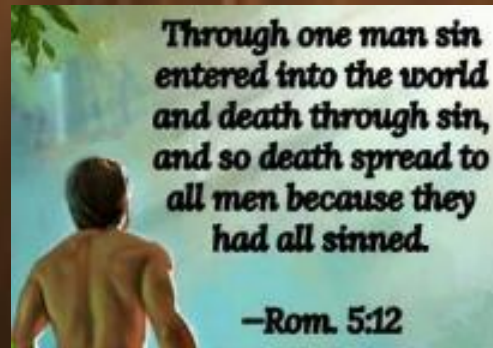
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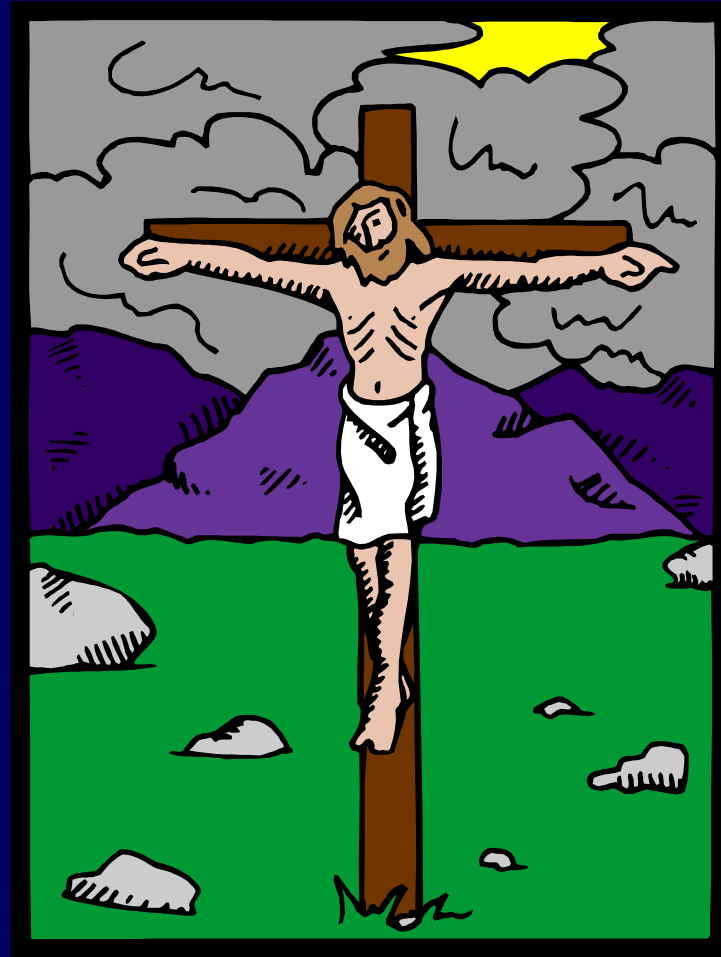
Genesis 2:16-17

“¹⁶ The Lord God commanded the man, saying, ‘From any tree of the garden you may eat freely; ¹⁷ but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you will surely die (*muwth*).’”



To Pay the Penalty for Man's Sin

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Jay Adams

Competent to Counsel, 70.

"But counselors, as Christians, are obligated to present the claims of Christ. They must present the good news that Christ Jesus died on the cross in the place of His own, that He bore the guilt and suffered the penalty for their sins. He died that all whom the Father had given to Him might come unto Him and have life everlasting. As a reformed Christian, the writer believes that counselors must not tell any unsaved counselee that Christ died for him, FOR THEY CANNOT SAY THAT. No man knows except Christ Himself who are His elect for whom He died."
[emphasis mine]

John 1:29

“The next day he saw Jesus coming to him, and said,
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John F. MacArthur,

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“sin of the world. *See note on v. 9; cf. 3:16; 6:33, 51.* In this context ‘world’ has the connotation of humanity in general, **not specifically every person.”**



R.C. Sproul

R.C. Sproul, *The Truth of the Cross* (Lake Mary, FL: Reformation Trust, 2007), 140-42.

“My point is that there is confusion about what the doctrine of limited atonement actually teaches. However, I think that if a person really understands the other four points and is thinking at all clearly, he must believe in limited atonement because of what Martin Luther called a resistless logic. Still, there are people who live in a happy inconsistency. I believe it’s possible for a person to believe four points without believing the fifth, although I don’t think it’s possible to do it consistently or logically. However, it is certainly a possibility given our proclivity for inconsistency.”

Extent of the Atonement

Unlimited

◆ Biblical support

- John 1:29; 3:16-17; 4:42; 6:51; 12:32, 47
- Acts 17:30
- 2 Cor 5:19
- 1 Tim. 2:4, 6; 4:10
- Titus 2:11
- Heb. 2:9
- 2 Pet. 2:1
- 1 John 2:2; 4:14



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John 3:16

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.”



Acts 17:30-31

“³⁰ Therefore having overlooked the times of ignorance, God is now declaring to men that all people everywhere should repent [metanoēō], ³¹ because He has fixed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness through a Man whom He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men by raising Him from the dead.”



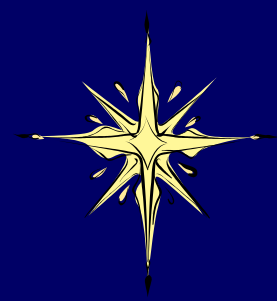
1 Timothy 2:3-4

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Galatians 4:7

“Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God.”

INHERITANCE



Romans 8:29–30

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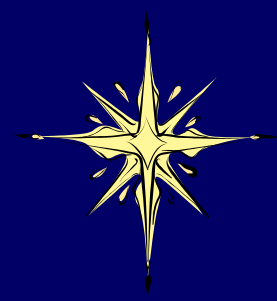
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Hebrews 2:14

“Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, that through death He might render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil.”



Names & Titles Demonstrating Satan's Post-Fall, Earthly Authority

(Job 1:7; 2:2; Luke 4:5-8; Rom. 8:19-22)



- Prince of this world (John 12:31; 14:30; 16:11)
- God of this world (2 Cor. 4:4)
- Prince and power of the air (Eph. 2:2)
- Who the believer wrestles with (Eph. 6:12)
- Roaring lion (1 Pet. 5:8)
- Whole world lies in his power (1 John 5:19)



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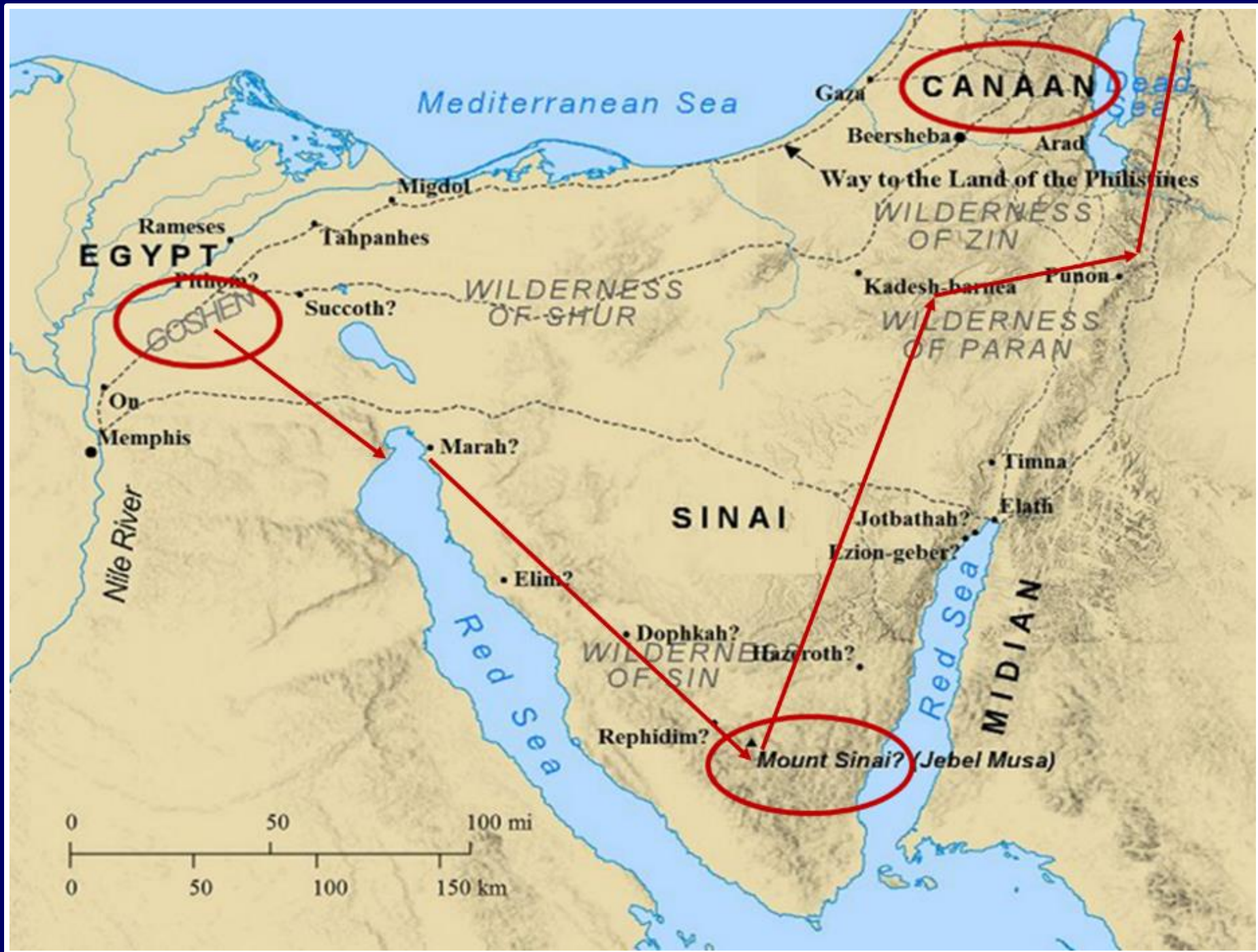




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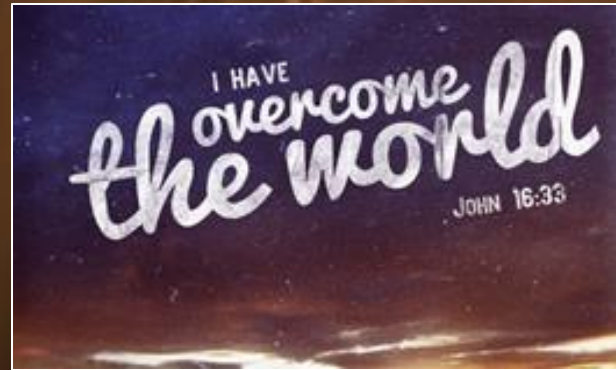
Ultimate Exodus

(Rev 11:15)

- **Sores**: 6th plague (Ex 9:8-12), 1st bowl (Rev 16:1-2)
- **Rivers to blood**: 1st plague (Ex 7:19-21), 3rd bowl (Rev 16:4-7)
- **Darkness**: 9th plague (Ex 10:21-23), 5th bowl (Rev 16:10-11)
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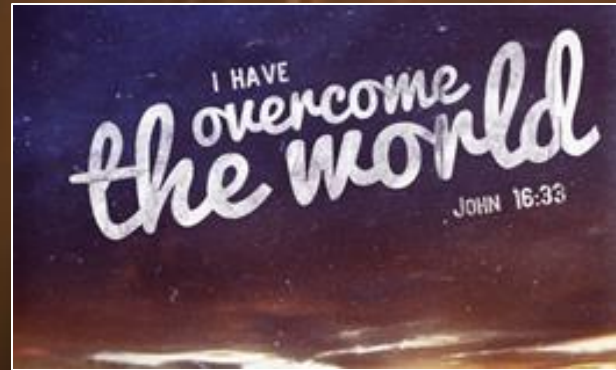
John 16:33

“These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome [*nikaō*; perfect tense] the world.”



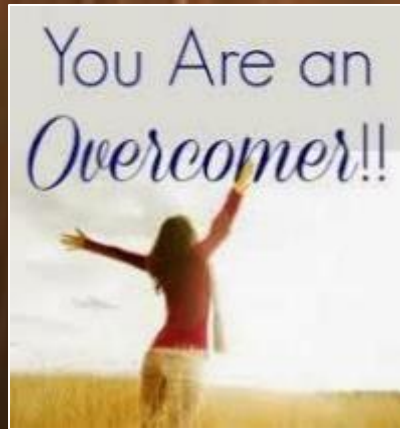
1 John 4:4

“You are from God, little children, and have overcome [*nikaō*; **perfect tense**] them; because greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world.”



1 John 5:4-5

“⁴ For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. ⁵ Who is the one who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?”



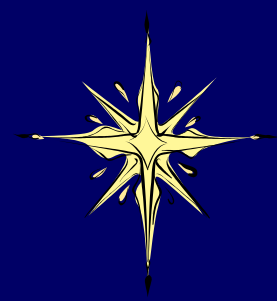
Romans 8:37

“But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer [*hypernikaō* , present tense] through Him who loved us.”



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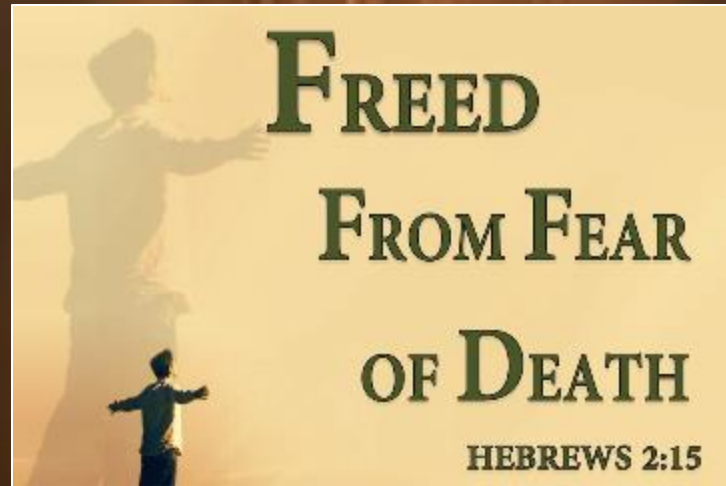
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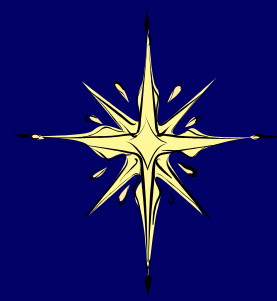
Philippians 1:21-24

²¹ “For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. ²² But if I *am* to live *on* in the flesh, this *will mean* fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which to choose. ²³ But I am hard-pressed from both *directions*, having the desire to depart and be with Christ, for *that* is very much better; ²⁴ yet to remain on in the flesh is more necessary for your sake.”



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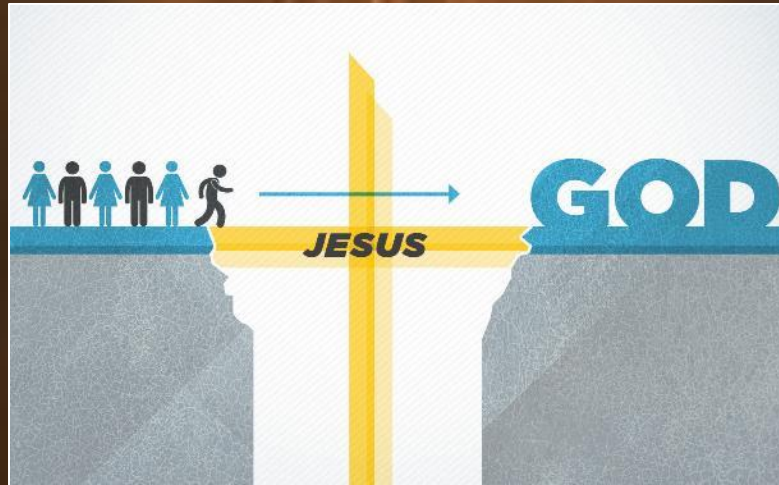
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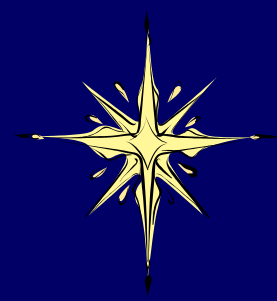
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“For there is one God, and one mediator also between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.”



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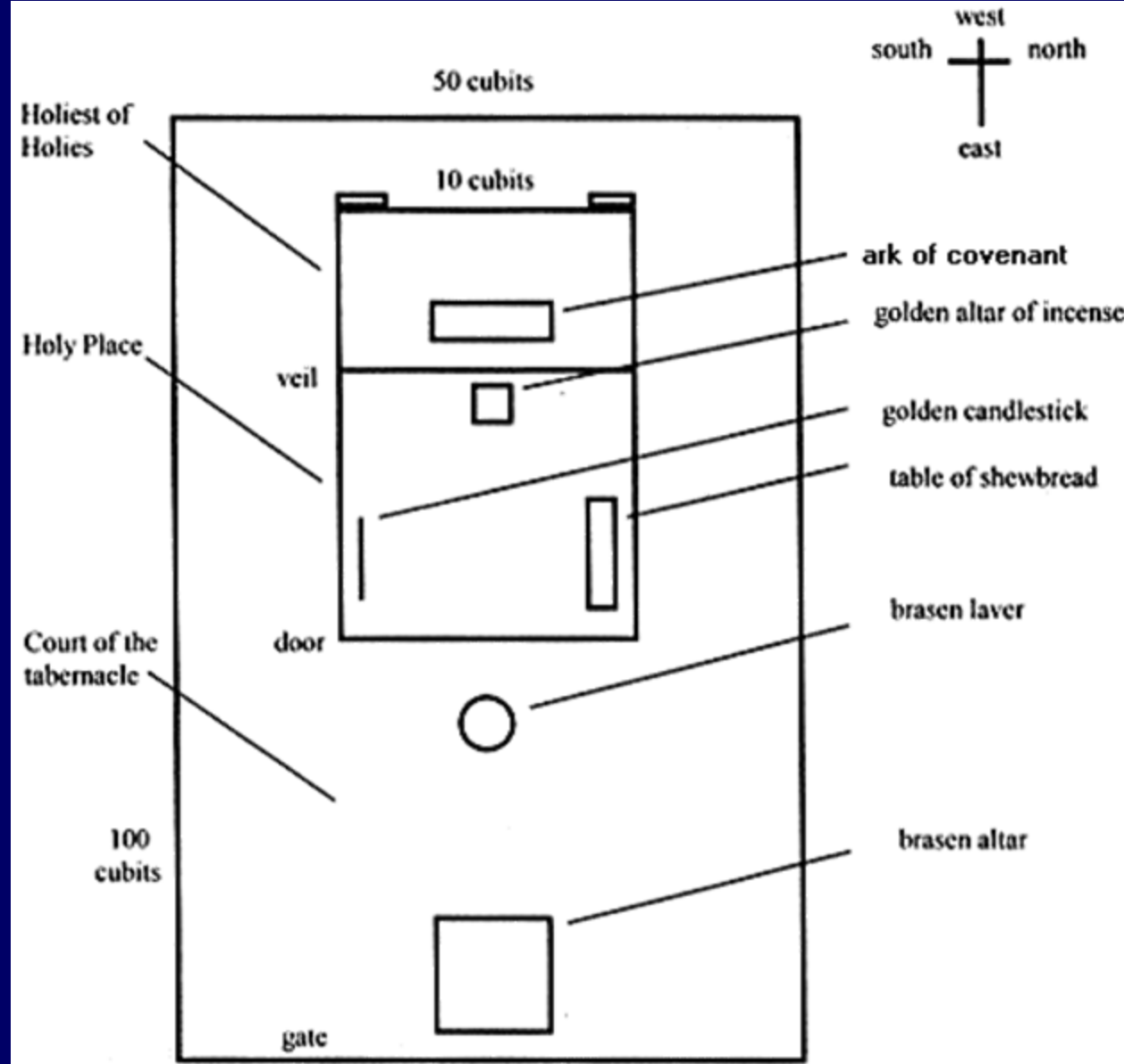
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Tabernacle Diagram



Ark of the Covenant



Hebrews 10:5-7

⁵ Therefore, when He comes into the world, He says, “SACRIFICE AND OFFERING YOU HAVE NOT DESIRED, BUT A BODY YOU HAVE PREPARED FOR ME;⁶ IN WHOLE BURNT OFFERINGS AND *sacrifices* FOR SIN YOU HAVE TAKEN NO PLEASURE.⁷ “THEN I SAID, ‘BEHOLD, I HAVE COME (IN THE SCROLL OF THE BOOK IT IS WRITTEN OF ME) TO DO YOUR WILL, O GOD.’”



John 19:30

Therefore when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, “**It is finished!**” [*tetelestai*] And He bowed His head and gave up His spirit.



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This is salvation by works.

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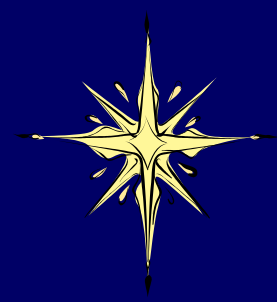


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Hebrews 4:15-16

¹⁵ “For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as *we are, yet* without sin.

¹⁶ Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.”



Christ's Human Experiences

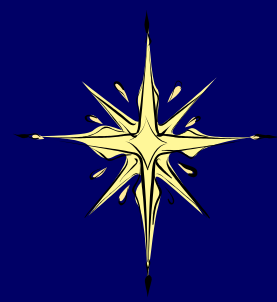
- Labor (Mark 6:3)
- Distress (Luke 22:44)
- Being troubled (John 12:27)
- Thirst (John 19:28)
- Hunger (Matt 4:2)
- Fatigue (John 4:6)
- Sadness (John 11:35)
- Lack of understanding (Matt 24:36)
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