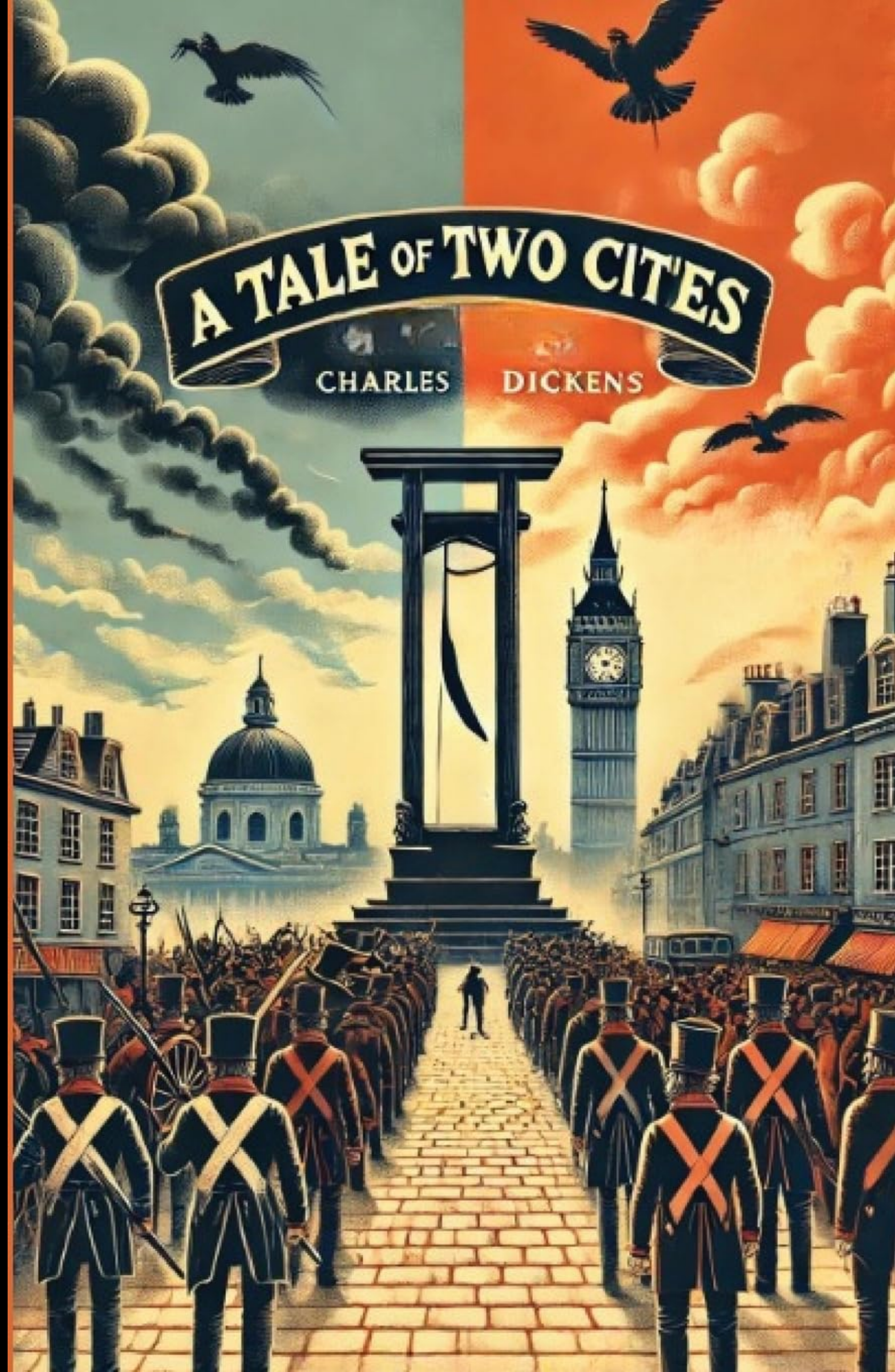


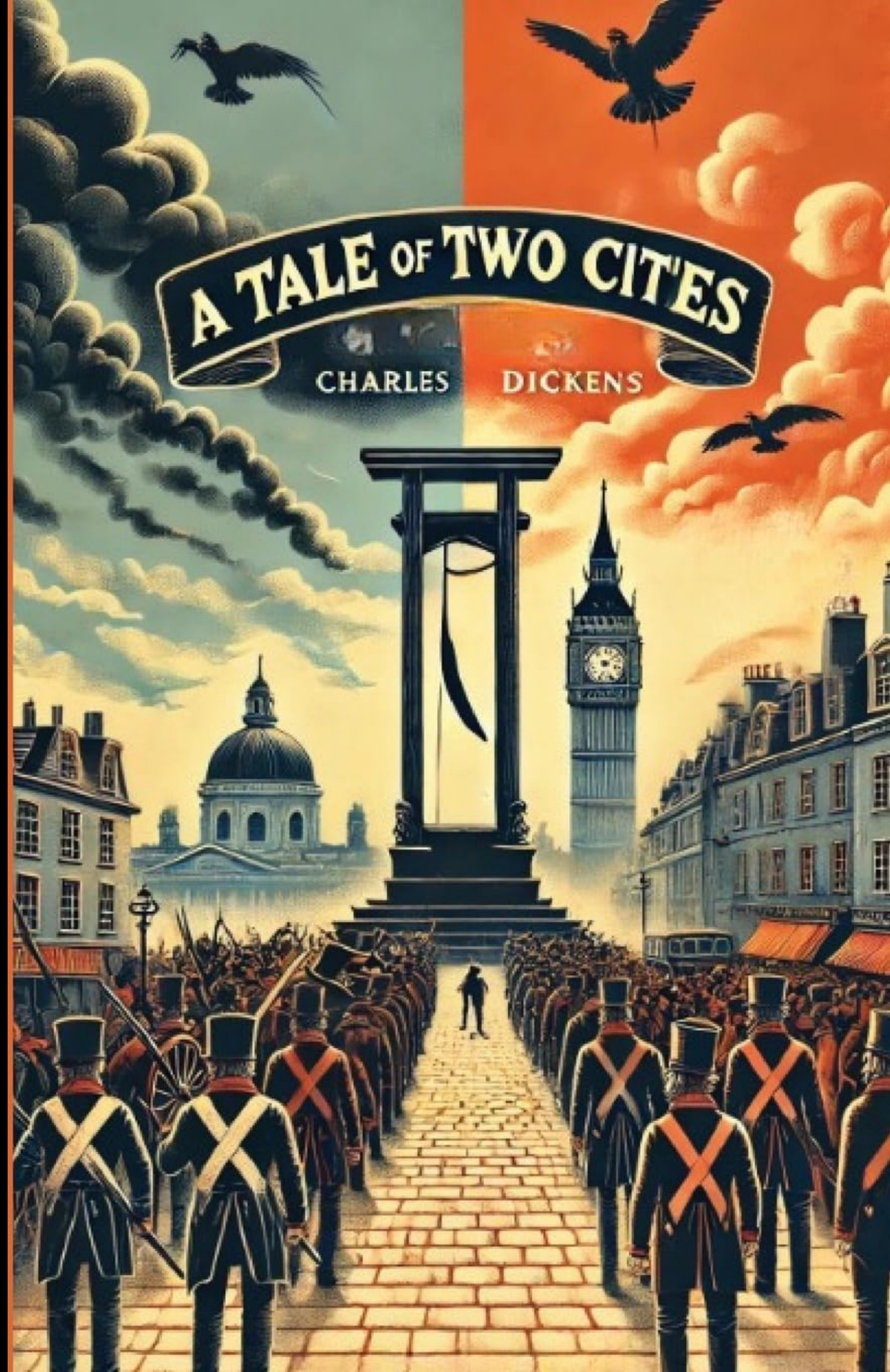


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IN THE BEGINNING, GOD



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¹⁶ Then Cain went away from the presence of the LORD
and settled in the land of Nod, east of Eden.

- Genesis 4:16

The Land of Nod →

A weathered wooden signpost stands in a barren, rocky landscape. The sign is a horizontal plank with a pointed right end, mounted on a vertical post. It features the text 'The Land of Nod' in a serif font, followed by a large arrow pointing to the right. The background shows a desolate, mountainous terrain under a cloudy sky.

I. Building a Self-Made City

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¹³ Cain said to the LORD,

“My punishment is greater than I can bear.

¹⁴ Behold, you have driven me today away from the ground,
and from your face I shall be hidden.

I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth,
and whoever finds me will kill me.”

- Genesis 4:13-14

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¹⁵ Then the LORD said to him,
“Not so! If anyone kills Cain,
vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold.”
And the LORD put a mark on Cain,
lest any who found him should attack him.

- Genesis 4:15

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An astronaut in a white and orange spacesuit is seen from the back, standing on a rocky outcrop. The suit has "ARES III" on the helmet and a large orange "20" on the back. The astronaut is looking out over a vast, desolate, orange-brown Martian landscape with jagged rock formations in the distance under a hazy sky.

THE MARTIAN

“In the face of overwhelming odds,
I'm left with only one option.
I'm gonna have to science the _ out of this!”



“At some point, everything’s gonna go south
and you’re going to say, this is it.

This is how I end.

Now, you can either accept that,
or you can get to work. That’s all it is.

You just begin. You do the math.

You solve one problem and
you solve the next one and then the next.

And if you solve enough problems,
you get to come home.”

- Mark Watney - *The Martian*



I. Building a Self-Made City

²³ Lamech said to his wives:

“Adah and Zillah, hear my voice;
you wives of Lamech, listen to what I say:
I have killed a man for wounding me,
a young man for striking me.

²⁴ If Cain’s revenge is sevenfold,
then Lamech’s is seventy-sevenfold.”

I. Building a Self-Made City

1 What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you?

Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you?

2 You desire and do not have, so you murder.

You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel...

- James 4:1-2

N U R E M B E R G



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¹³ for my people have committed two evils:
they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters,
and hewed out cisterns for themselves,
broken cisterns that can hold no water.

- Psalm 84

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2. Resting in the City of God

- ¹ If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love,
I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.
- ² And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and
all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains,
but have not love, I am nothing.
- ³ If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned,
but have not love, I gain nothing...

2. Resting in the City of God

⁴ Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant ⁵ or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶ it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things...

¹³ So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

- 1 Corinthians 13

2. Resting in the City of God

¹⁸ There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear.

For fear has to do with punishment,
and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.

¹⁹ We love because he first loved us.

- 1 John 4:18-19

2. Resting in the City of God

*My soul finds rest in God alone,
My Rock and my salvation;
A fortress strong against my foes,
And I will not be shaken.*

*Though lips may bless and hearts may curse,
And lies like arrows pierce me,
I'll fix my heart on righteousness,
I'll look to Him who hears me.*

2. Resting in the City of God

*Find rest, my soul, in God alone
Amid the world's temptations;
When evil seeks to take a hold
I'll cling to my salvation.*

*Though riches come and riches go,
Don't set your heart upon them;
The fields of hope in which I sow
Are harvested in heaven.*

2. Resting in the City of God

*I'll set my gaze on God alone
And trust in Him completely;
With every day pour out my soul
And He will prove His mercy.
Though life is but a fleeting breath,
A sigh too brief to measure,
My King has crushed the curse of death
And I am His forever.*



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