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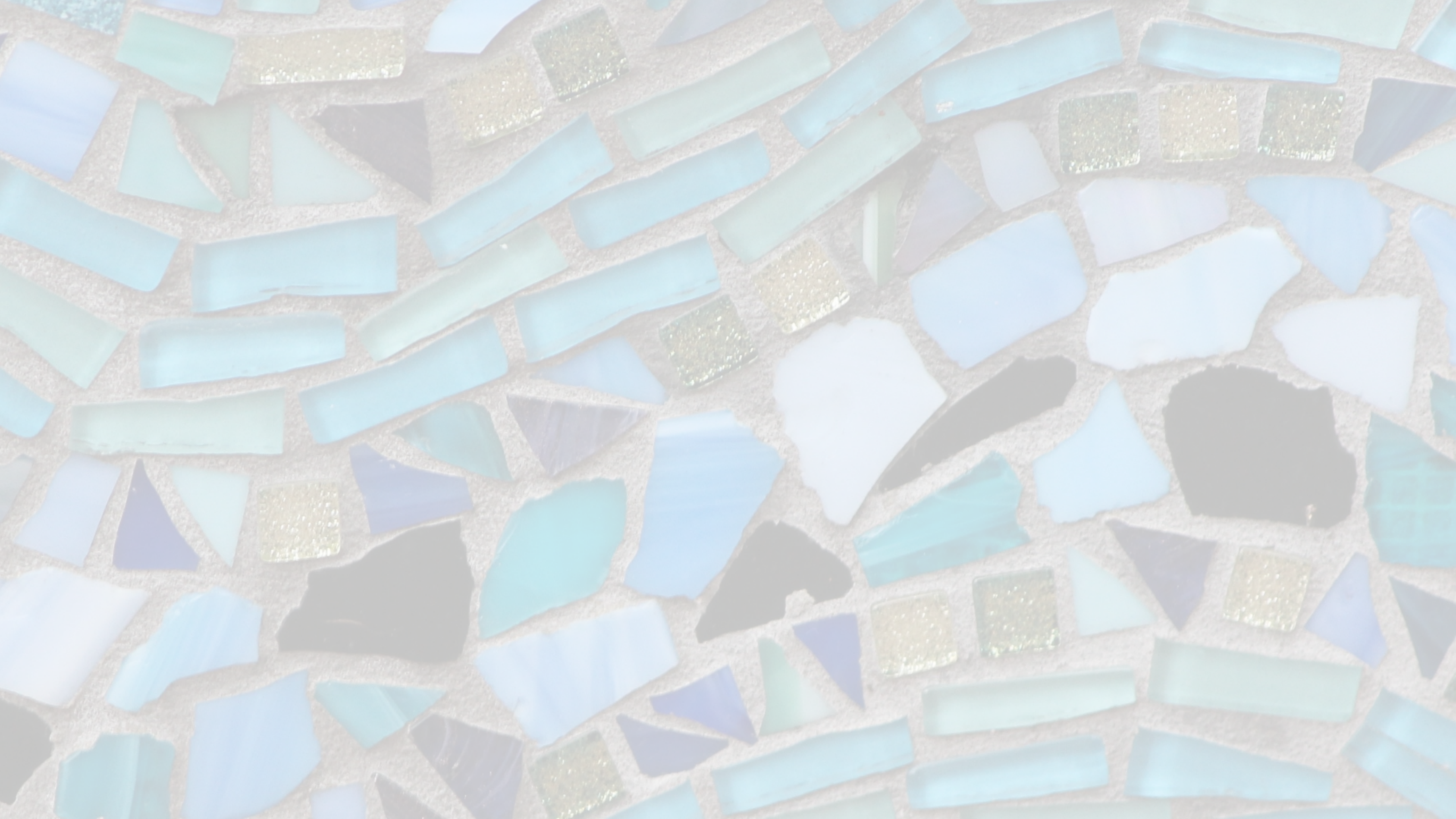
“No one anticipated the strength of the eruptions, which spewed 540 million tons of ash into the air....”

“...the largest landslide in human history.”

“There has never been a lateral blast of this size...that caught the geologists by surprise.”

“Of the 57 people who were killed, only 3 were designated as being in the danger zone. The other 54 were all outside it.”

~Simon Worrall, “Mistakes Led to Needless Deaths From Worst Volcanic Blast— There were signs that an eruption was coming, but no one predicted how big it would be,” *National Geographic*, March 20, 2016.



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² But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? (Malachi 3:2)

⁵ The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the Lord of all the earth. (Psalm 97:5)

¹³ ...waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ.... (Titus 2:13)

2. The Call to Action: Prayer, Love and Service.

⁷ ...therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. ⁸ Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. ⁹ Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. ¹⁰ As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: ¹¹ whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies.... (1 Peter 4:7b-11a)

3. The Crowning Purpose: The Glory of God.

¹¹...in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. (1 Peter 4:11).

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