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1 Peter 2:5-6

Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ. 6 Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded





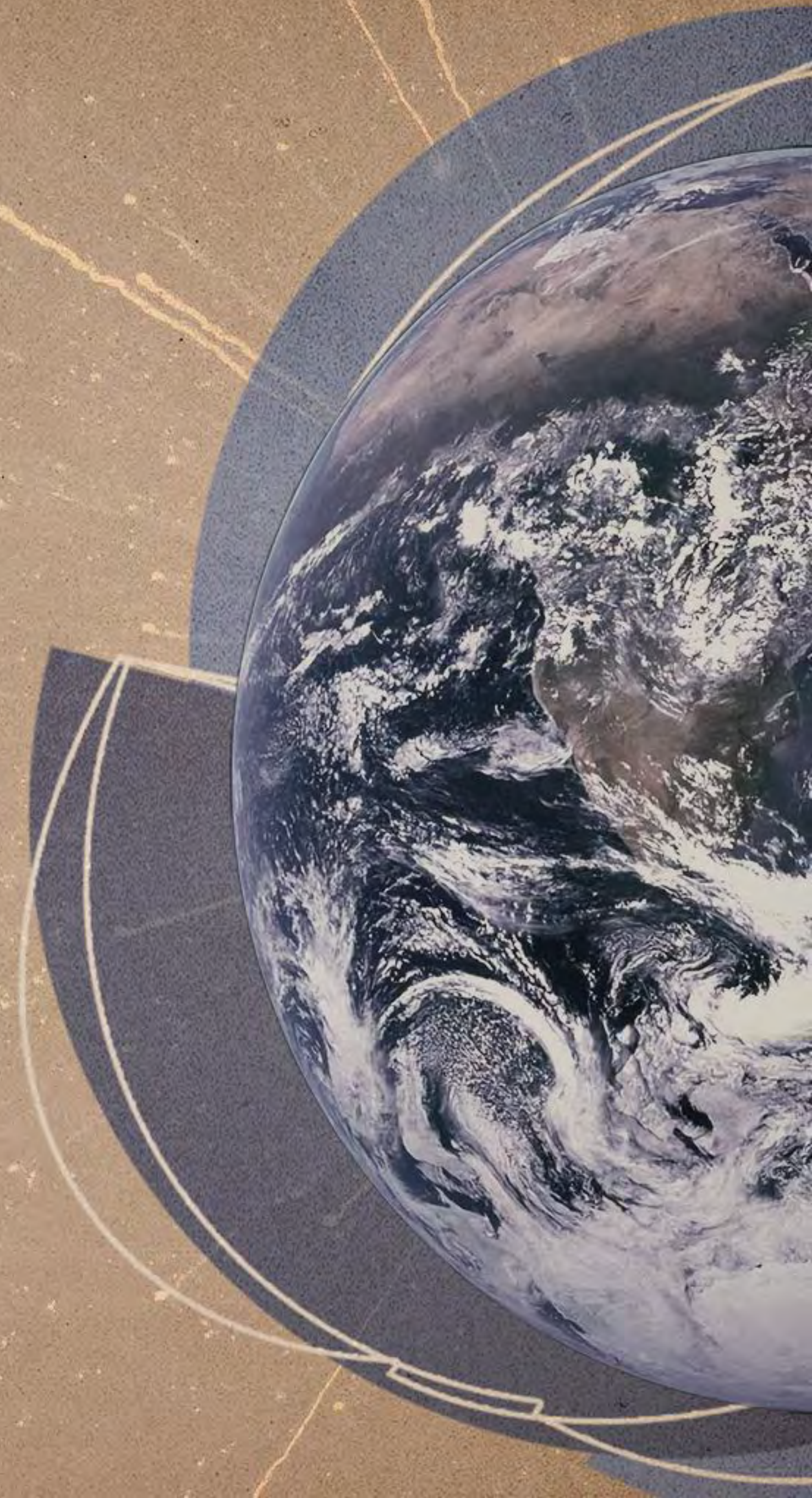
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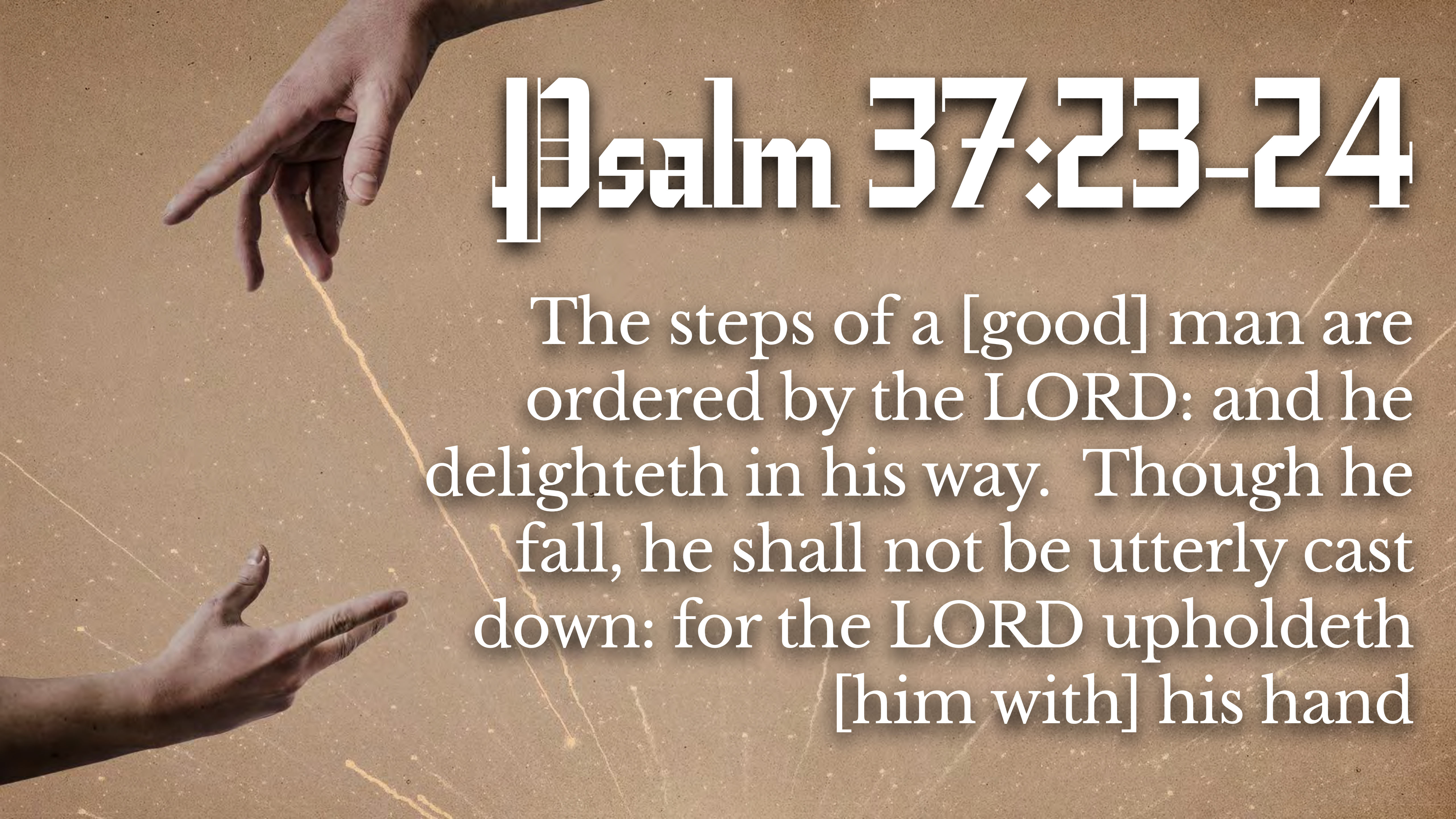
Defining the Call



Acts 13:1


Now there were in the church that was at Antioch certain prophets and teachers; as Barnabas, and Simeon that was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, which had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul.




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Psalms 37:23-24

The steps of a [good] man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way. Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD upholdeth [him with] his hand



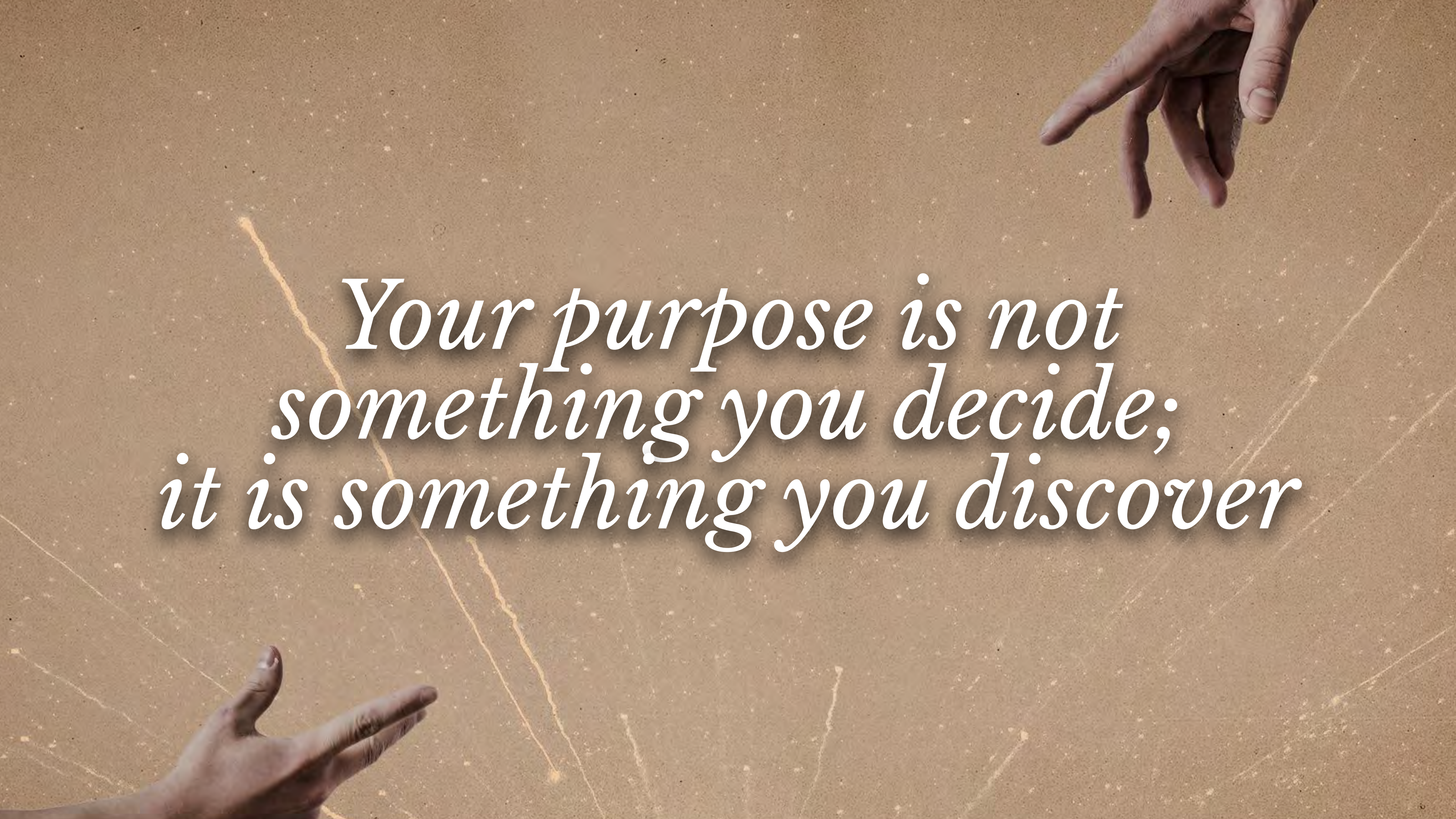
*Your purpose in life answers
the question of why God
placed you on this earth*



2 Chronicles 21:20

He was thirty-two years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eight years in Jerusalem. And he departed with no one's regret. They buried him in the city of David, but not in the tombs of the kings.





*Your purpose is not
something you decide;
it is something you discover*



1 Peter 4:10-11

As every man hath received the gift, [even so] minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. 11 If any man speak, [let him speak] as the oracles of God; if any man minister, [let him do it] as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Luke 6:38

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.



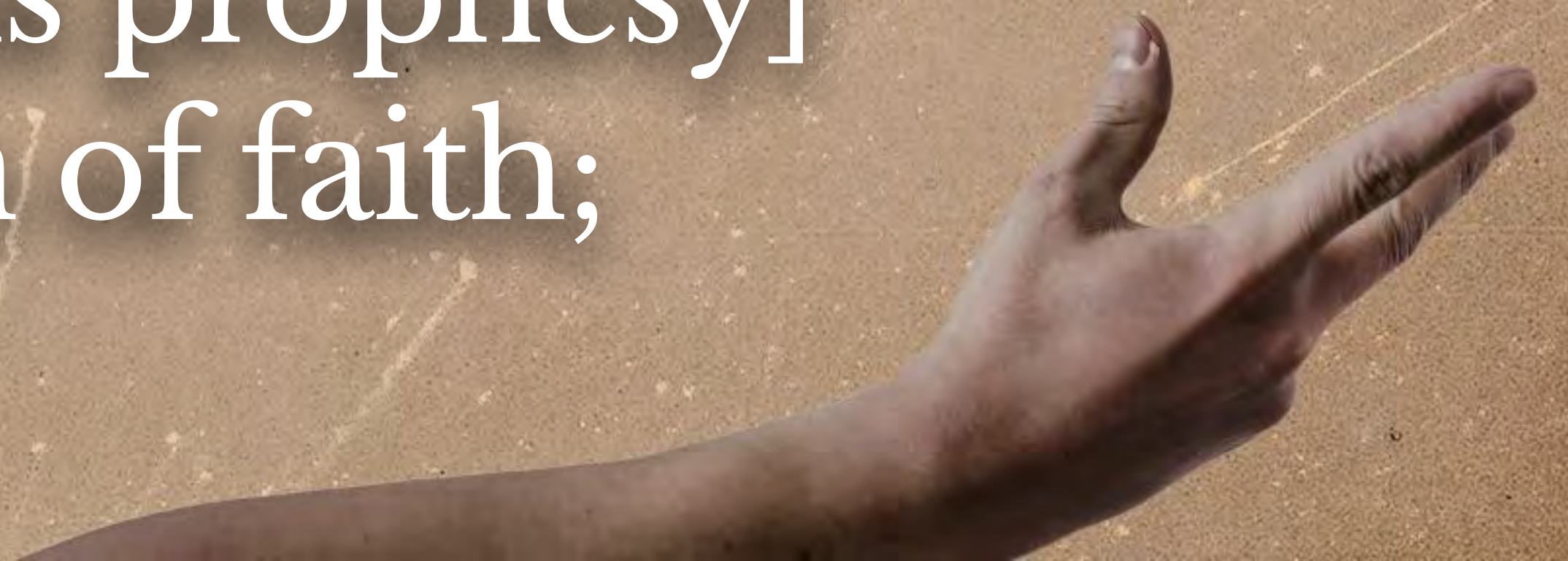
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2 Timothy 1:6

Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

Romans 12:5-8

So we, [being] many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another. 6 Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, [let us prophesy] according to the proportion of faith;



Prophecy



Romans 12:7

Or ministry, [let us
wait] on [our]
ministering:





*Ministry or
serving*

Romans 12:7

or he that teacheth,
on teaching;



Teaching



Romans 12:8

8 Or he that
exhorteth, on
exhortation



Exhortation



Romans 12:8

he that giveth, [let
him do it] with
simplicity





Giving

Romans 12:8

he that ruleth, with
diligence





*Leadership and
Administration*

Romans 12:8

he that sheweth
mercy, with
cheerfulness.





Mercy



*Every Person Has
an Assignment*



Romans 11:29

For the gifts and the
calling of God are
irrevocable



*Your assignment is to a
place or a group of people*



1 Kings 17:5-9

So he went and did according to the word of the LORD. He went and lived by the brook Cherith that is east of the Jordan. 6 And the ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning, and bread and meat in the evening, and he drank from the brook. 7 And after a while the brook dried up, because there was no rain in the land. 8 Then the word of the LORD came to him, 9 "Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you."





Principle #2:

Developing the Call



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Acts 13:2

As they ministered to the Lord,
and fasted, the Holy Ghost
said, Separate me Barnabas
and Saul for the work
whereunto I have called them

Acts 13:3

And when they had fasted
and prayed, and laid
[their] hands on them,
they sent [them] away.





Proverbs 11:14

Where no counsel [is], the
people fall: but in the
multitude of counsellors
[there is] safety



Principle #3:

Deployment of the Call



Acts 13:4

So they, being sent forth
by the Holy Ghost,
departed unto Seleucia;
and from thence they
sailed to Cyprus



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Proverbs 18:16

A man's gift maketh
room for him, and
bringeth him before
great men

Revelation 3:8

I know your works.
Behold, I have set before
you an open door, which
no one is able to shut.





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