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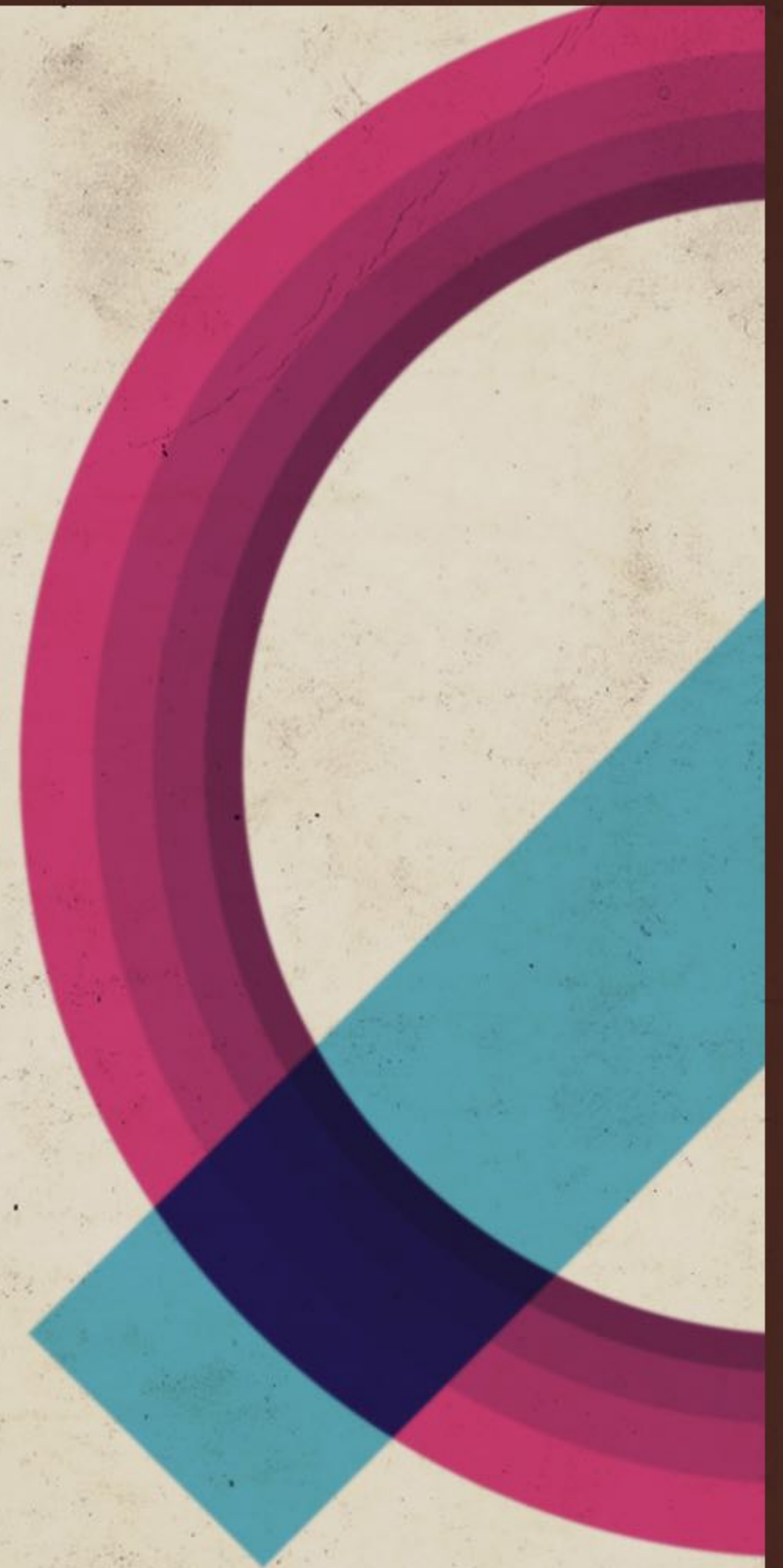
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**Just Say No to  
Living in Exile**

# NEHEMIAH 1:2-3

Hanani, one of my brothers, came with certain men from Judah. And I asked them concerning the Jews who escaped, who had survived the exile, and concerning Jerusalem. 3 And they said to me, "The remnant there in the province who had survived the exile is in great trouble and shame. The wall of Jerusalem is broken down, and its gates are destroyed by fire."



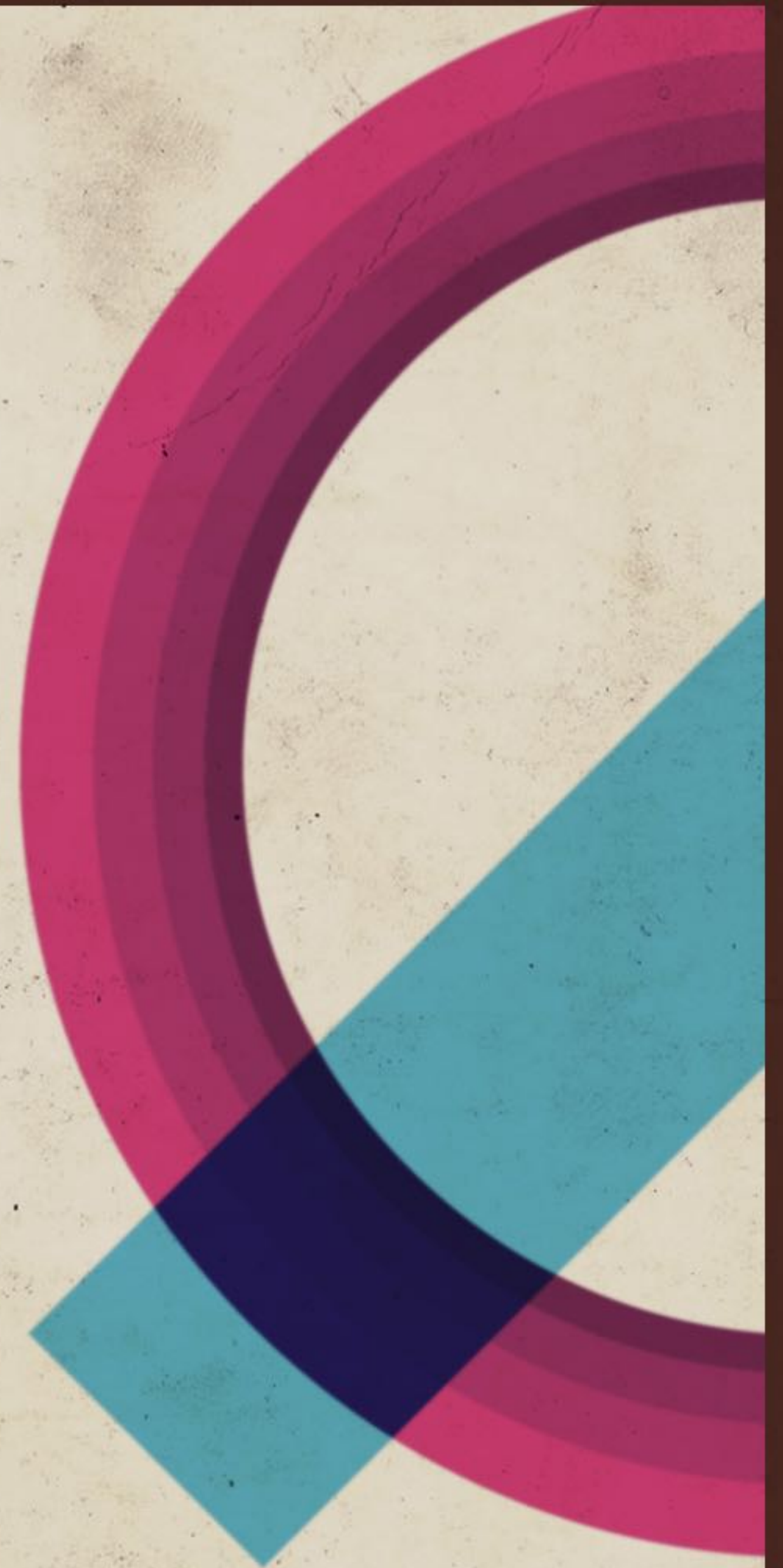


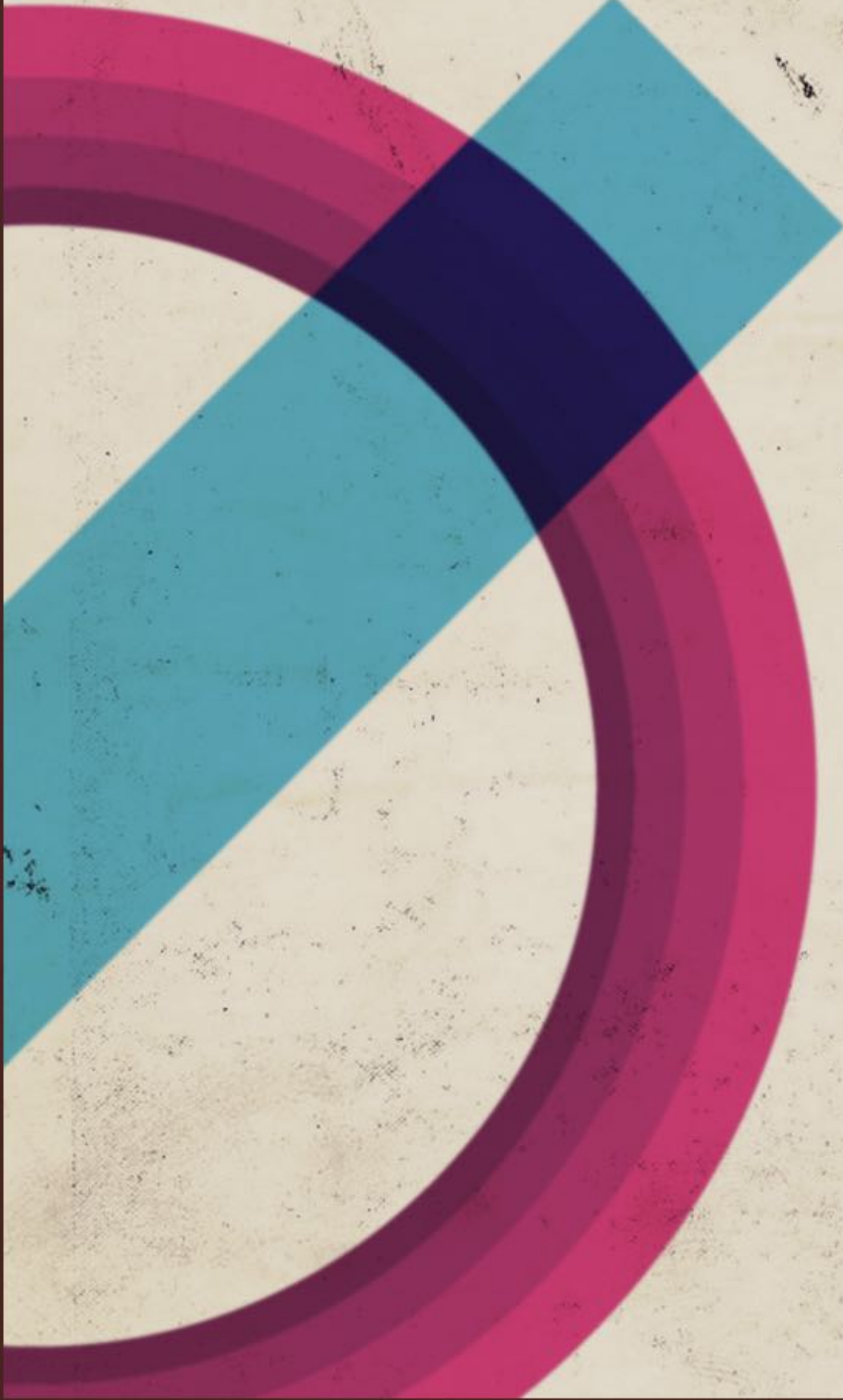
# **NEHEMIAH 1:4**

**As soon as I heard these words I sat down and wept and mourned for days, and I continued fasting and praying before the God of heaven.**

# NEHEMIAH 2:3-4

I said to the king, "Let the king live forever! Why should not my face be sad, when the city, the place of my fathers' graves, lies in ruins, and its gates have been destroyed by fire?" 4 Then the king said to me, "What are you requesting?" So I prayed to the God of heaven.

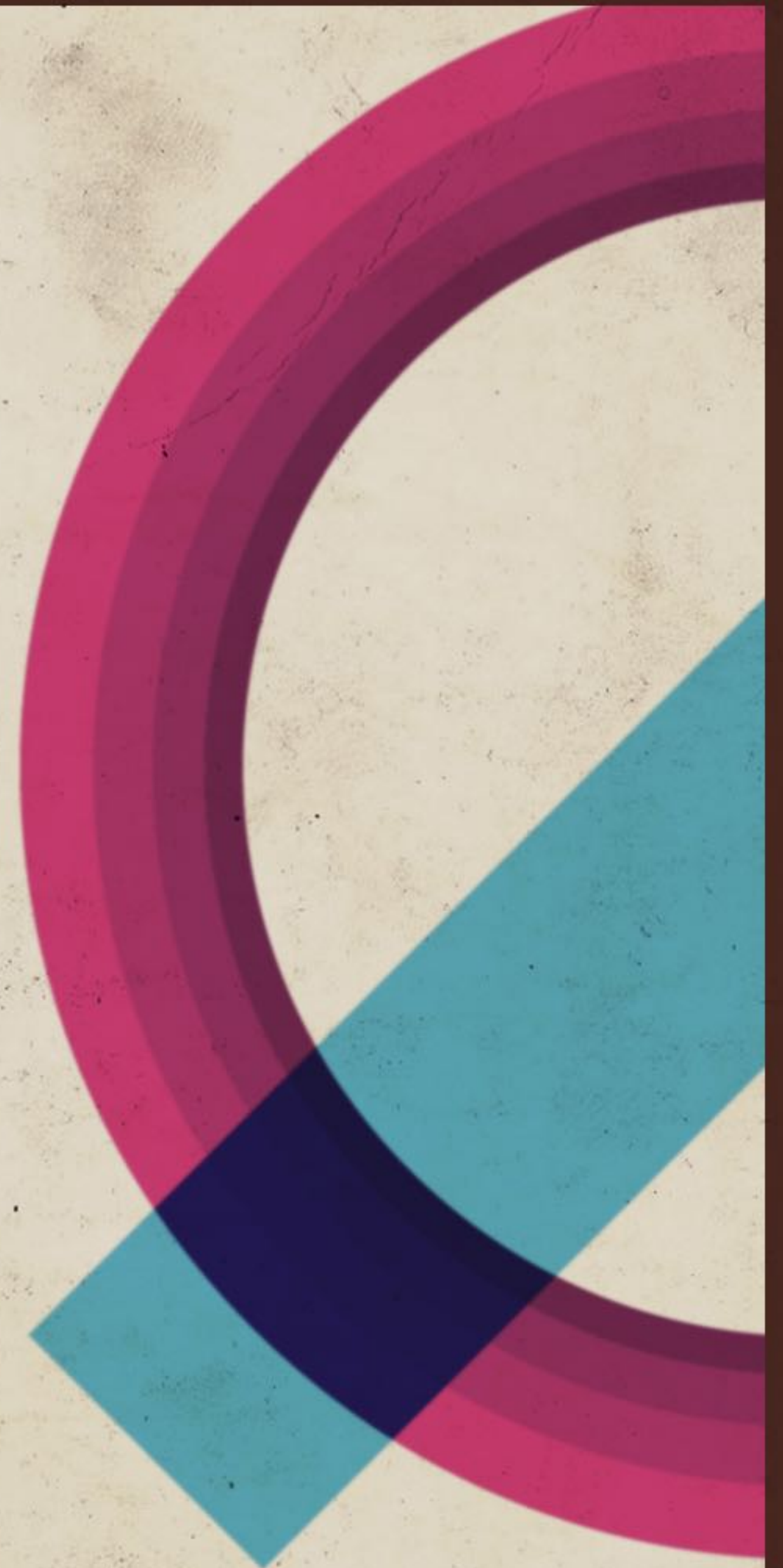


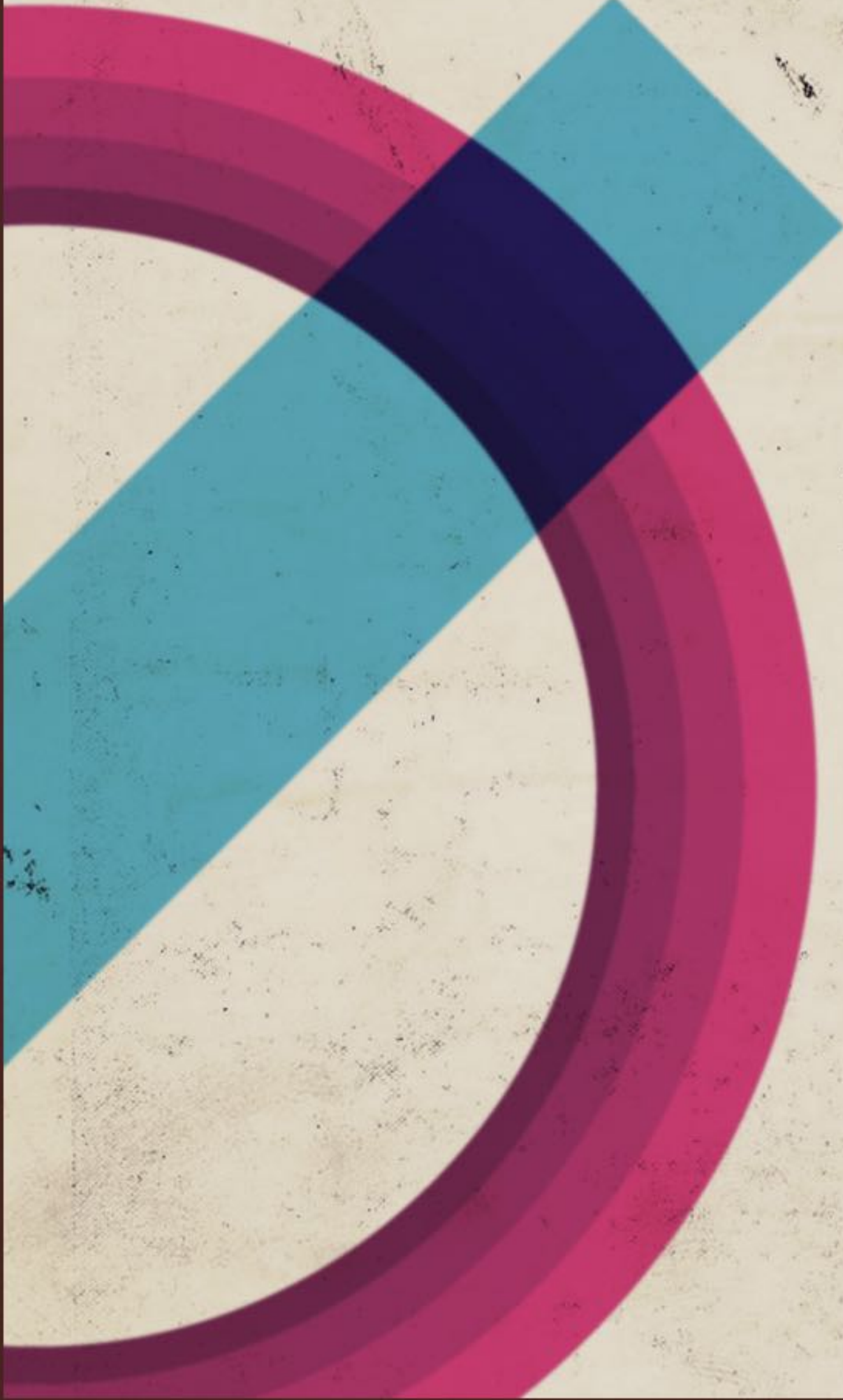


**IT IS IN TIMES  
OF CRISIS THAT  
CHAMPIONS  
ARE BORN**

# **GENESIS 50:20**

**But as for you, ye thought  
evil against me; but God  
meant it unto good, to bring  
to pass, as it is this day, to  
save much people alive**



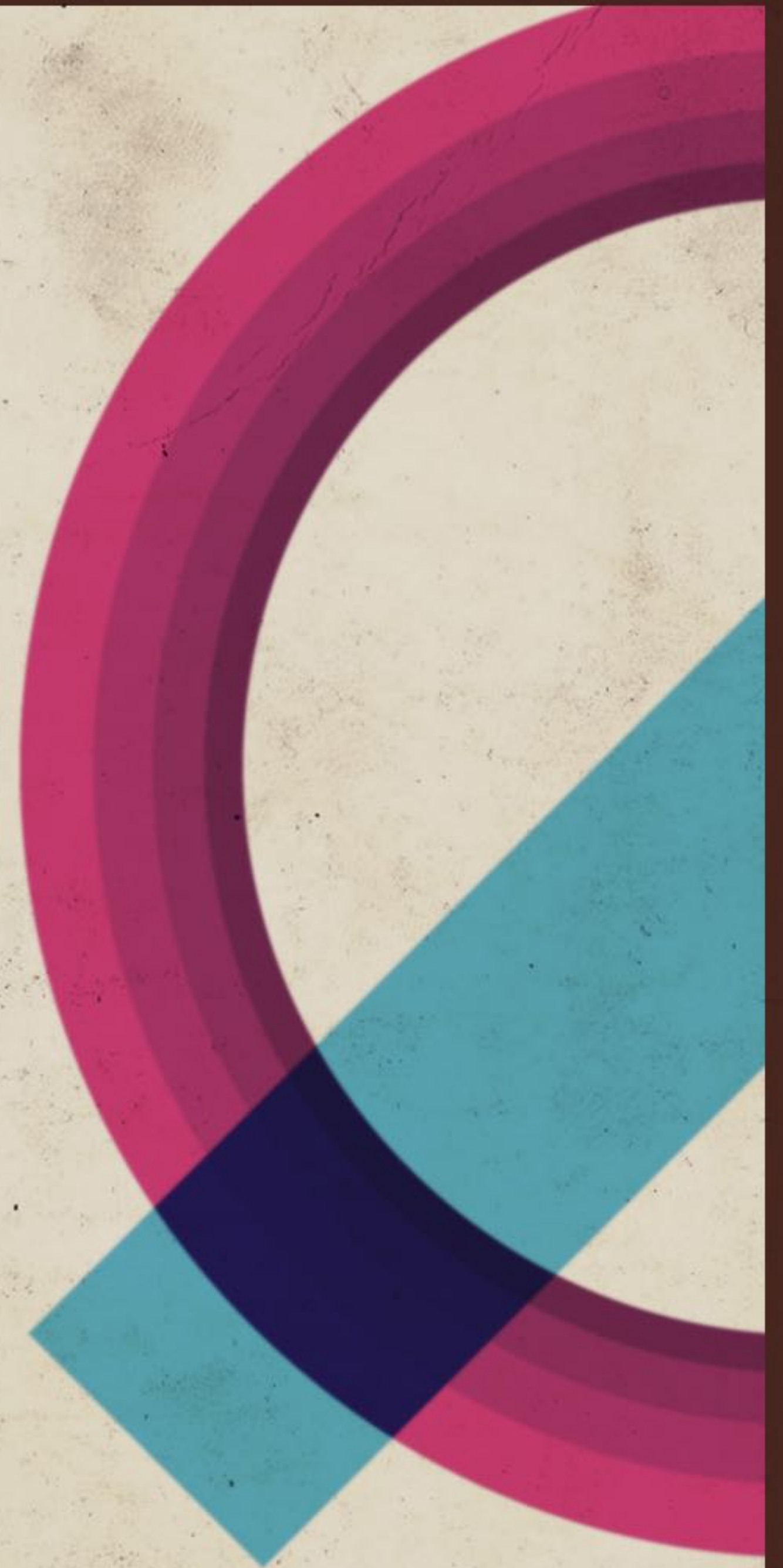


**PRINCIPLE #1:**  
**Nehemiah Took**  
**Personal Responsibility**



# **NEHEMIAH 1:6**

**let your ear be attentive and your eyes open, to hear the prayer of your servant that I now pray before you day and night for the people of Israel your servants, confessing the sins of the people of Israel, which we have sinned against you. Even I and my father's house have sinned.**

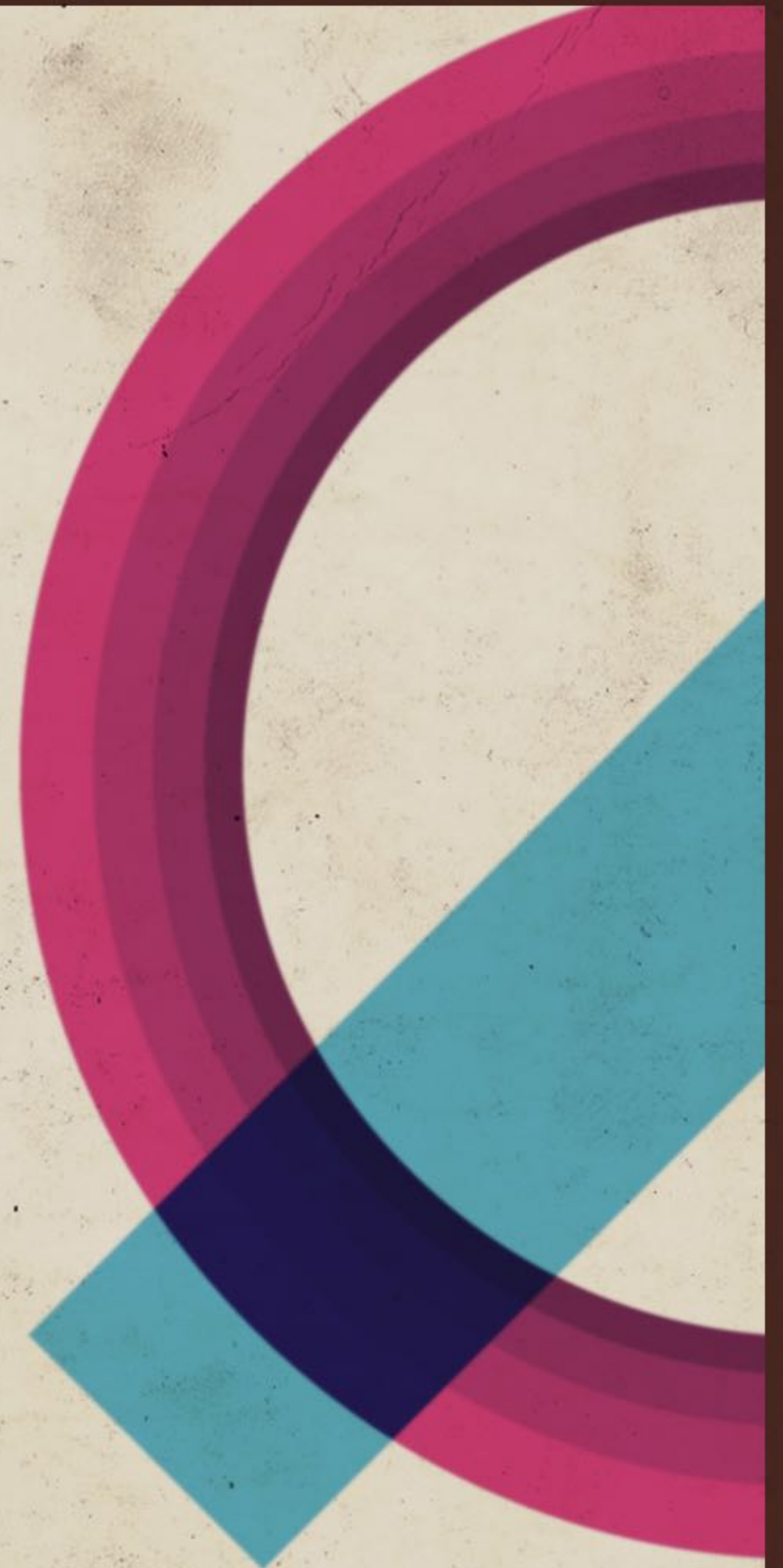




# **NEHEMIAH 1:4**

**As soon as I heard these words I sat down and wept and mourned for days, and I continued fasting and praying before the God of heaven.**

**YOU CANNOT  
BLAME AND  
BUILD AT THE  
SAME TIME**



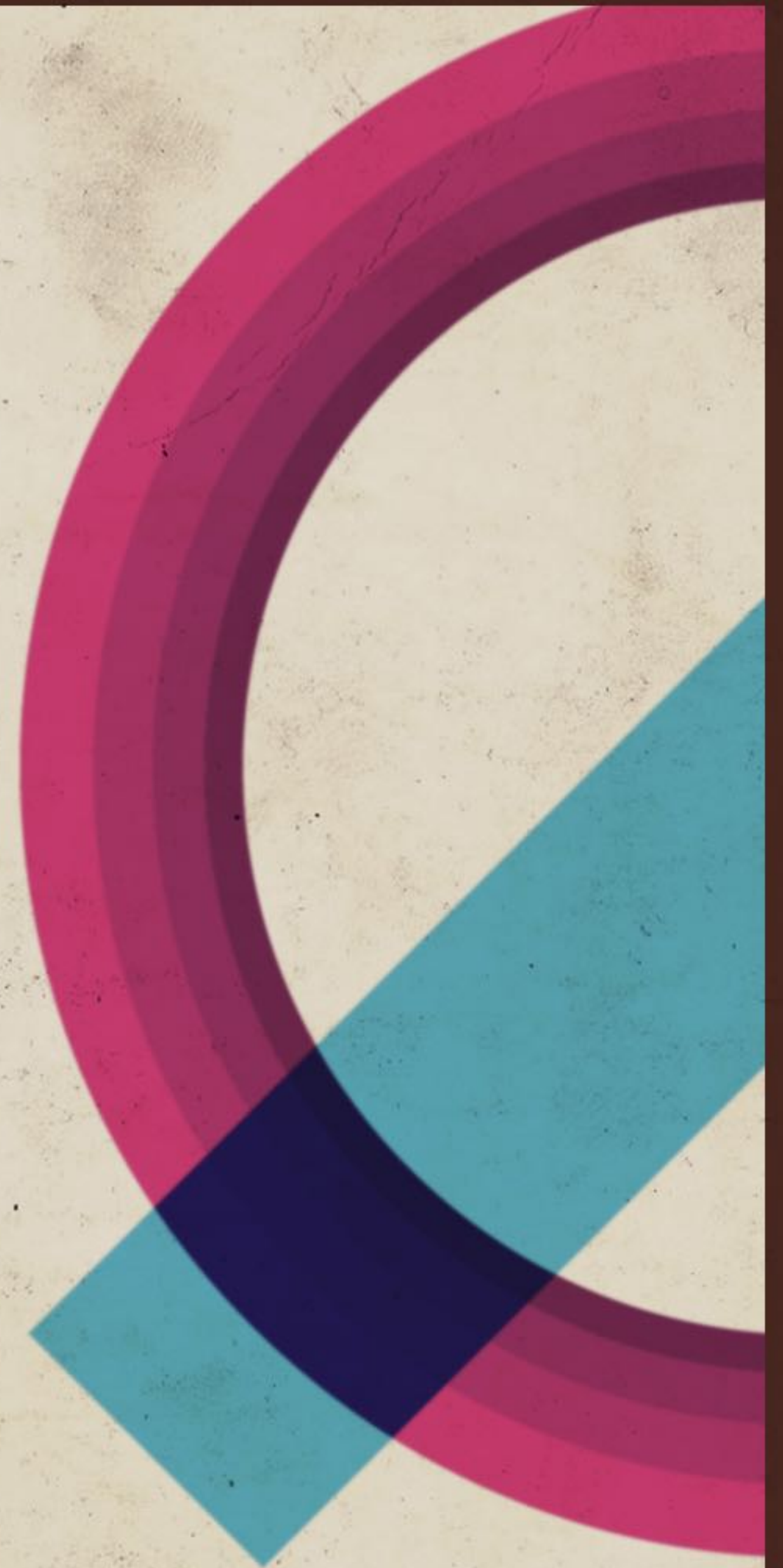


# **PRINCIPLE #2:**

**Nehemiah Had the  
Passion to Ask the  
Right Person**

# **NEHEMIAH 2:4-5**

**Then the king said to me, "What are you requesting?" So I prayed to the God of heaven. 5 And I said to the king, "If it pleases the king, and if your servant has found favor in your sight, that you send me to Judah, to the city of my fathers' graves, that I may rebuild it."**

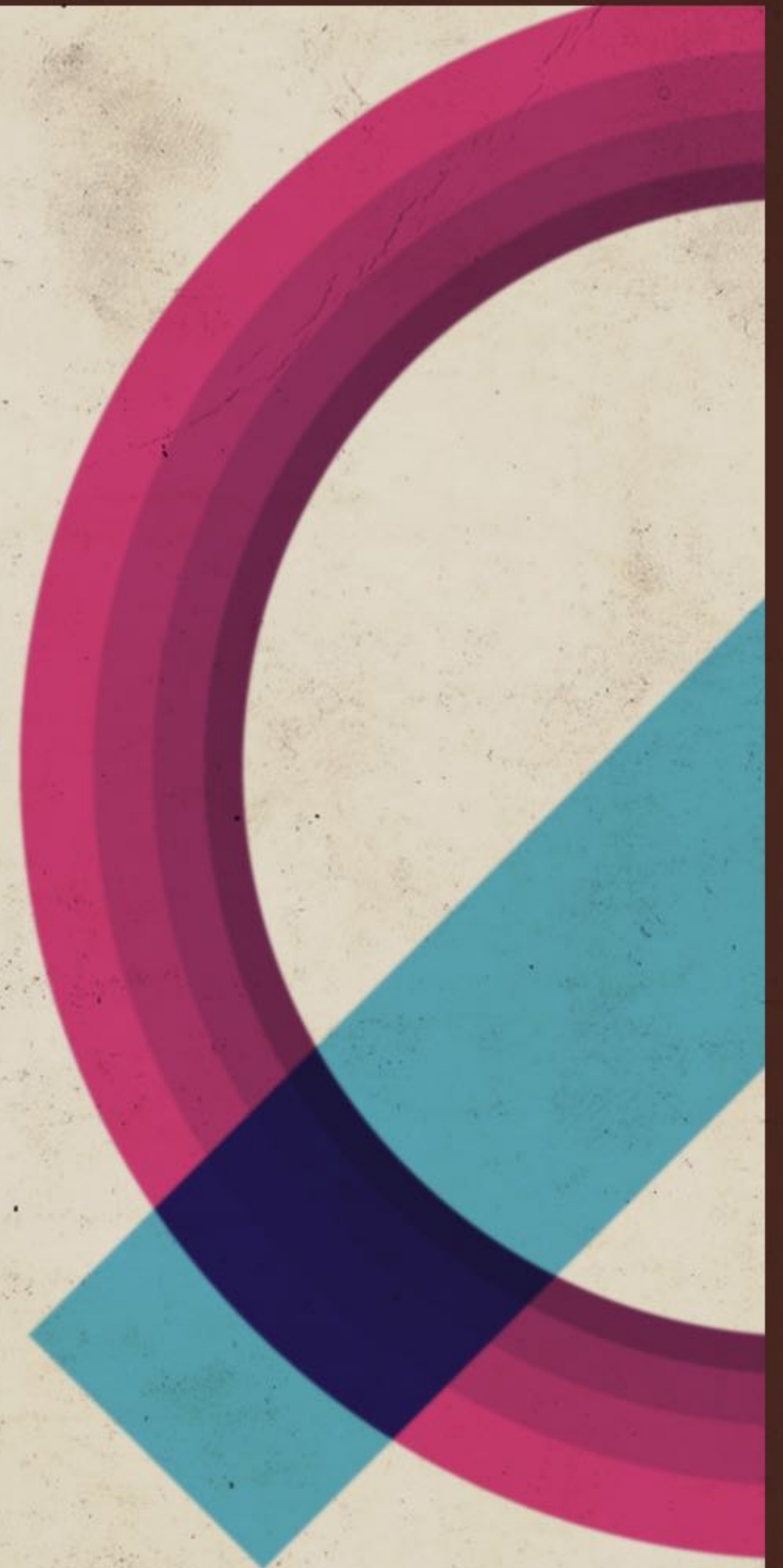




# **NEHEMIAH 2:7**

**And I said to the king, "If it pleases the king, let letters be given me to the governors of the province Beyond the River, that they may let me pass through until I come to Judah,**

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IN LIFE WILL  
DETERMINE  
WHERE YOU GO  
IN LIFE**

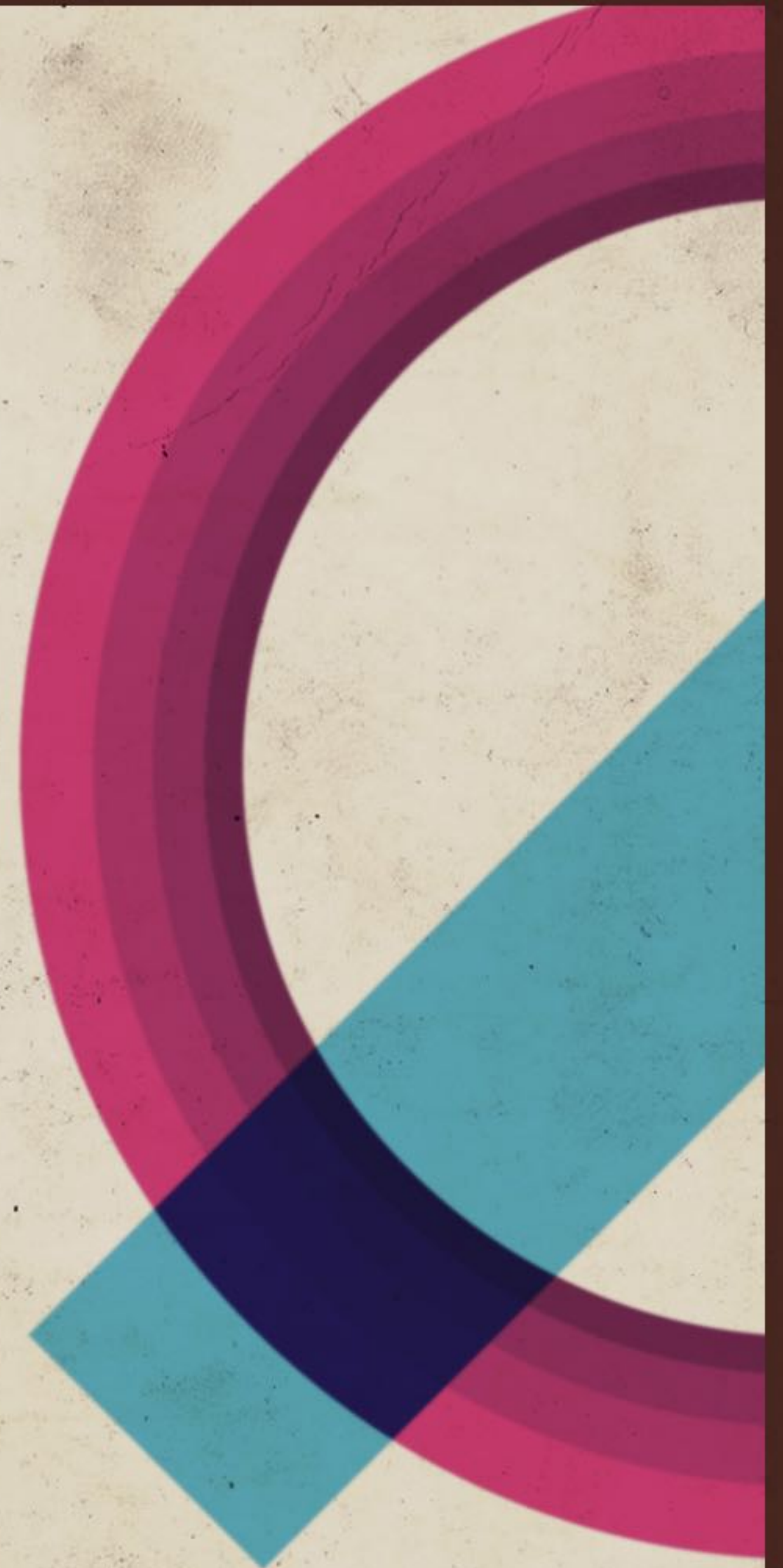




**THE RIGHT PEOPLE  
WILL PAVE THE  
RIGHT PATH TO  
YOUR DESTINY**



**PRAYER IS NOT  
GETTING MAN'S WILL  
DONE IN HEAVEN – IT IS  
GETTING GOD'S WILL  
DONE HERE ON EARTH**

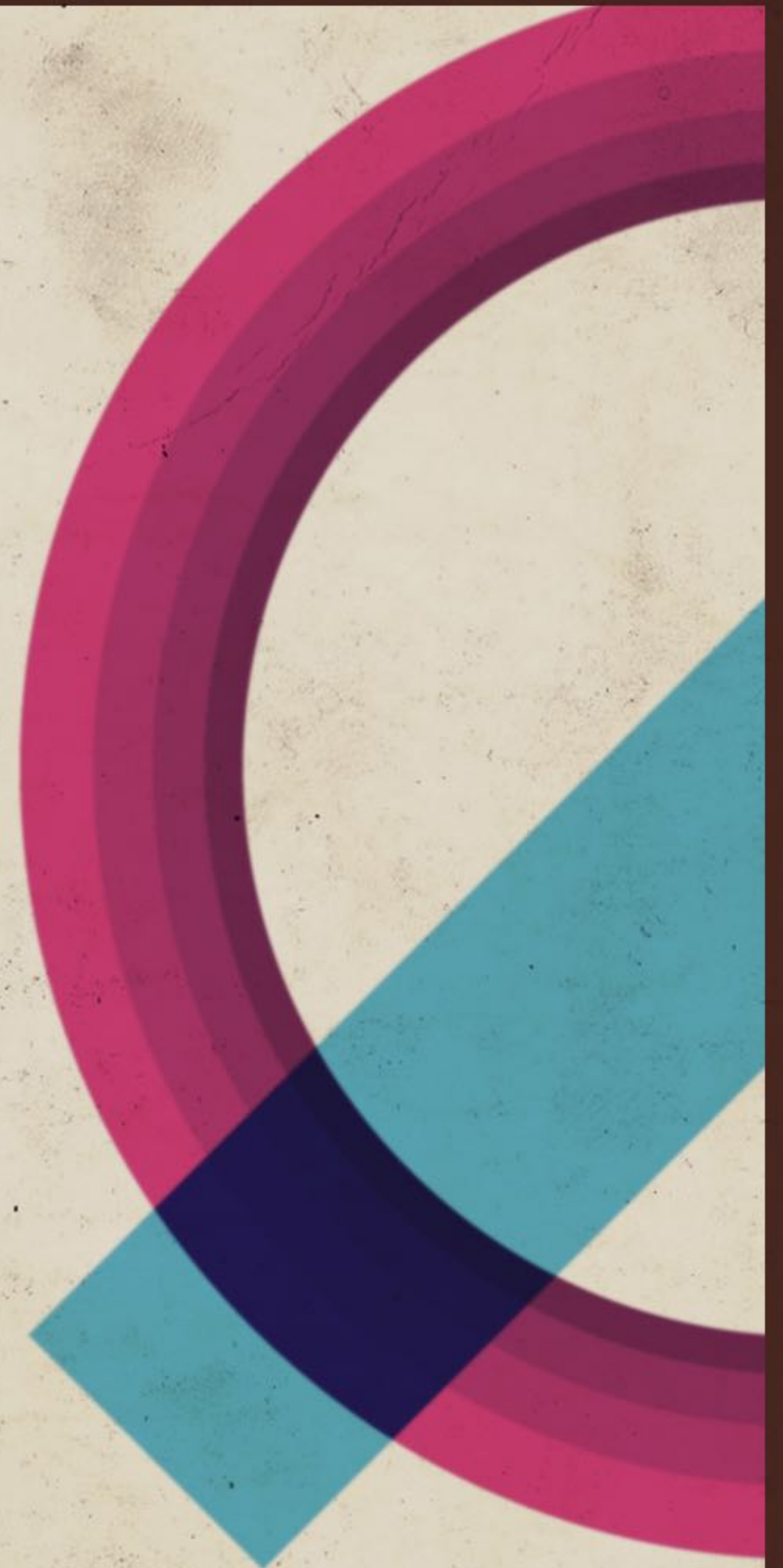




# **MATTHEW 6:10**

**Thy kingdom come. Thy  
will be done in earth, as  
[it is] in heaven.**

**THE ENTRANCE OF THE  
RIGHT PEOPLE IN  
YOUR LIFE FIRST  
DEMANDS THE EXIT OF  
THE WRONG PEOPLE  
OUT OF YOUR LIFE**

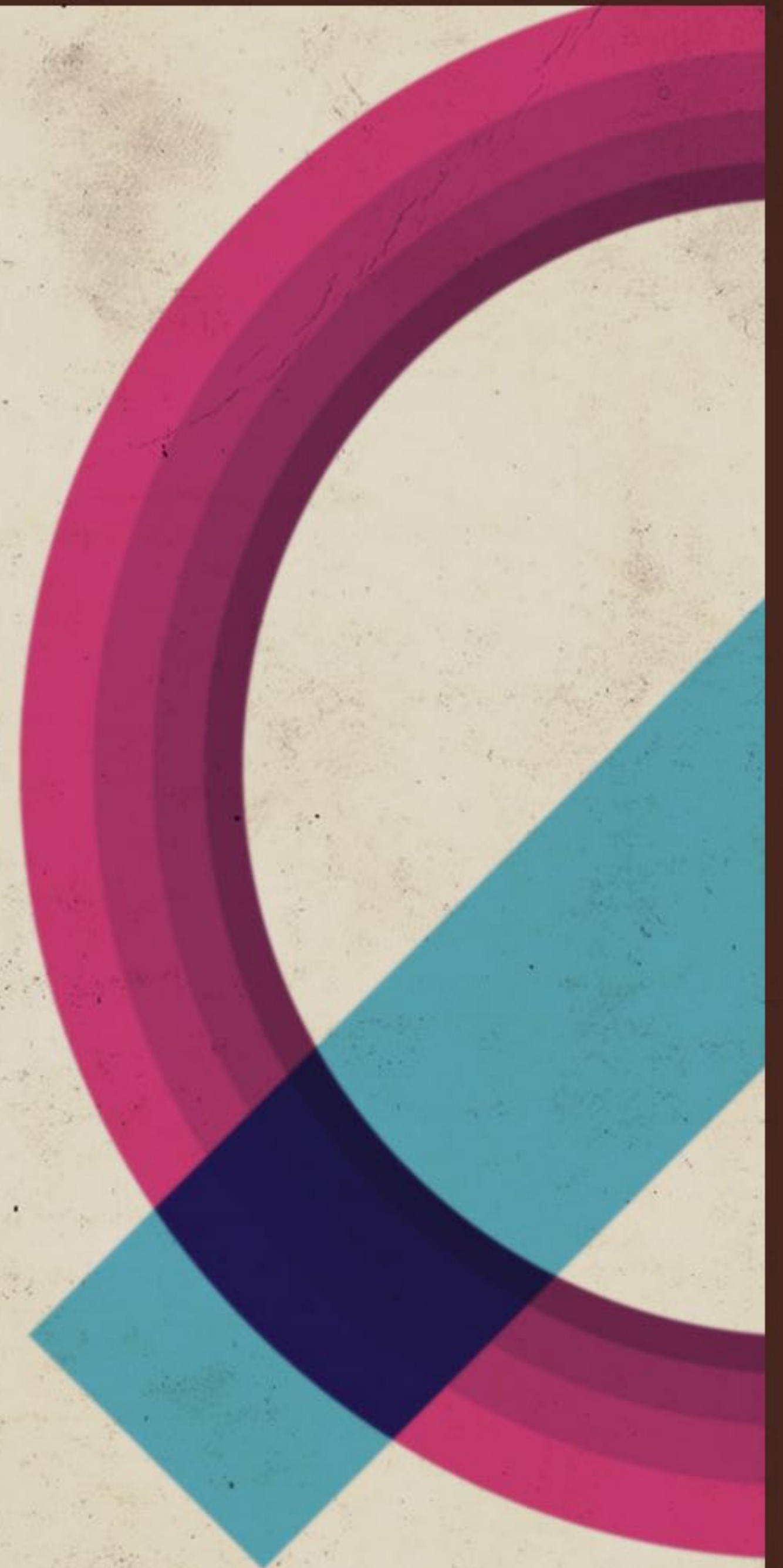




# **PSALM 42:7**

**Deep calleth unto deep  
at the noise of thy  
waterspouts...**

**IF YOU DO NOT LIKE  
WHO IS AROUND YOU –  
THEN MAYBE YOU  
NEED TO CHANGE  
WHAT IS WITHIN YOU**



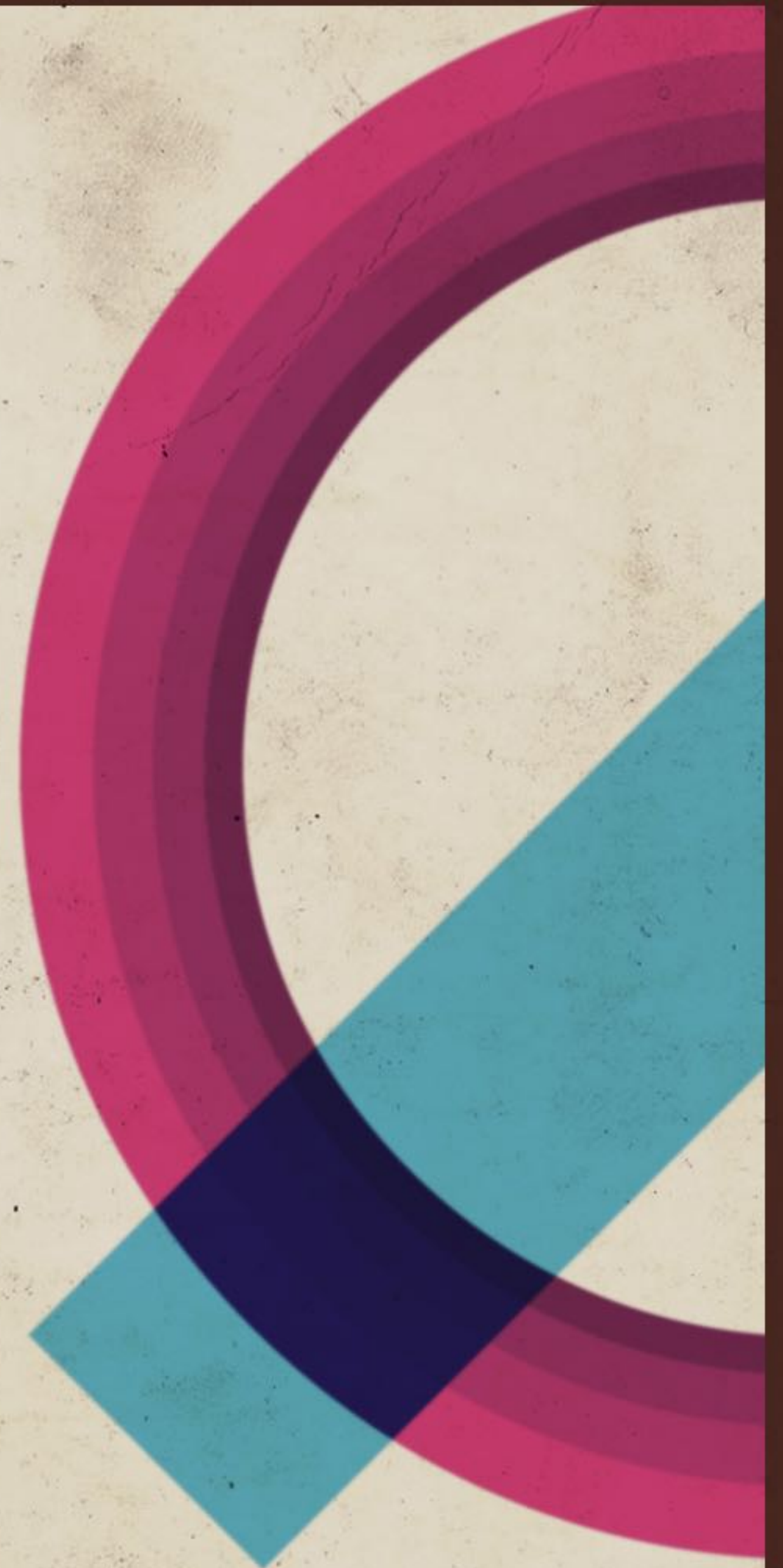


# **NEHEMIAH 2:8**

**and a letter to Asaph, the keeper of the king's forest, that he may give me timber to make beams for the gates of the fortress of the temple, and for the wall of the city, and for the house that I shall occupy." And the king granted me what I asked, for the good hand of my God was upon me.**

# **NEHEMIAH 2:8**

**...And the king granted  
me, according to the good  
hand of my God upon me.**





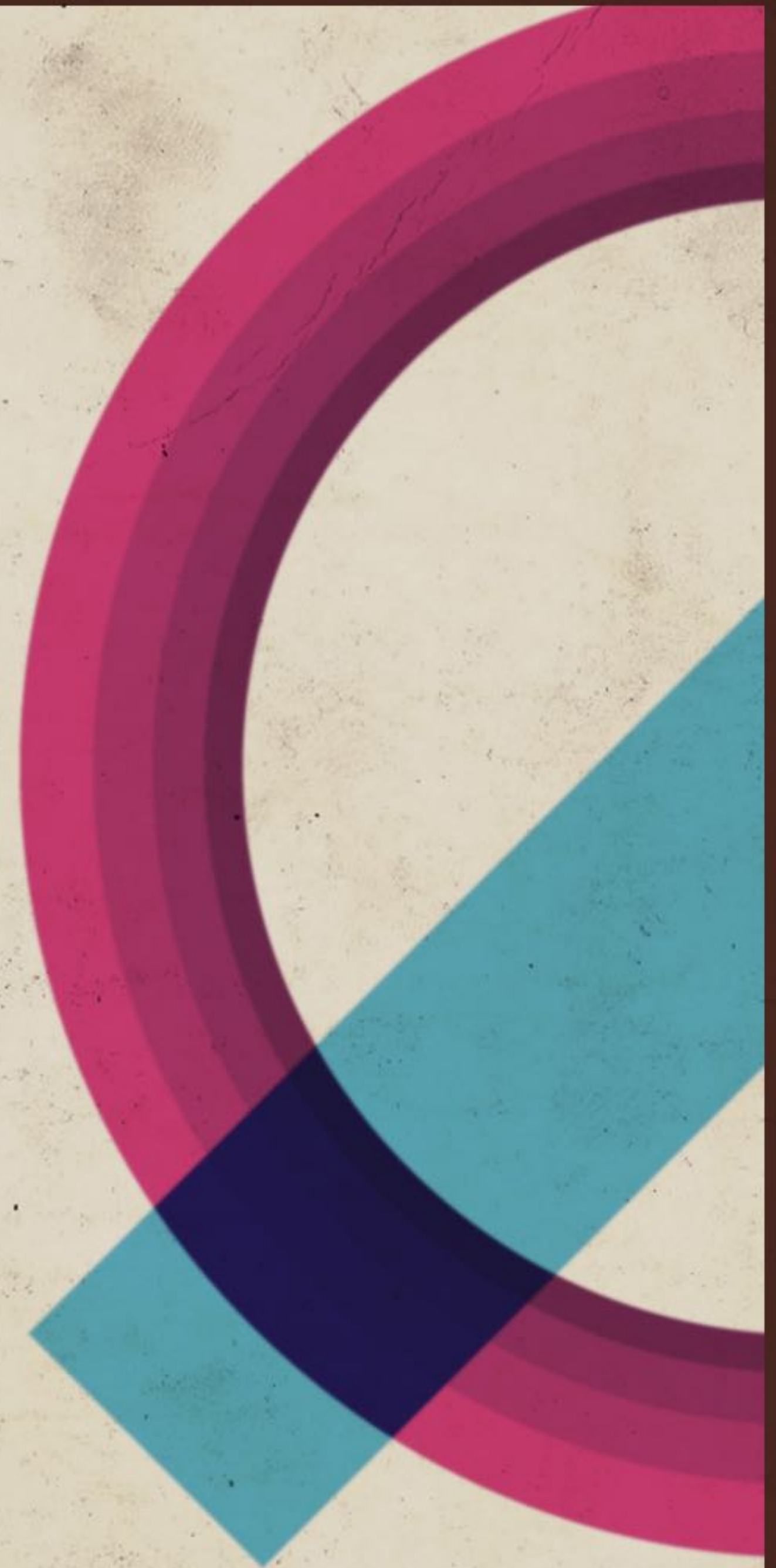
# **LUKE 2:52**

**And Jesus increased in  
wisdom and stature, and in  
favour with God and man.**



# **NEHEMIAH 2:10, 19-20**

**But when Sanballat the Horonite and Tobiah the Ammonite servant heard this, it displeased them greatly that someone had come to seek the welfare of the people of Israel. ... 19 But when Sanballat the Horonite and Tobiah the Ammonite servant and Geshem the Arab heard of it, they jeered at us and despised us and said, "What is this thing that you are doing? Are you rebelling against the king?" 20 Then I replied to them, "The God of heaven will make us prosper, and we his servants will arise and build, but you have no portion or right or claim in Jerusalem."**



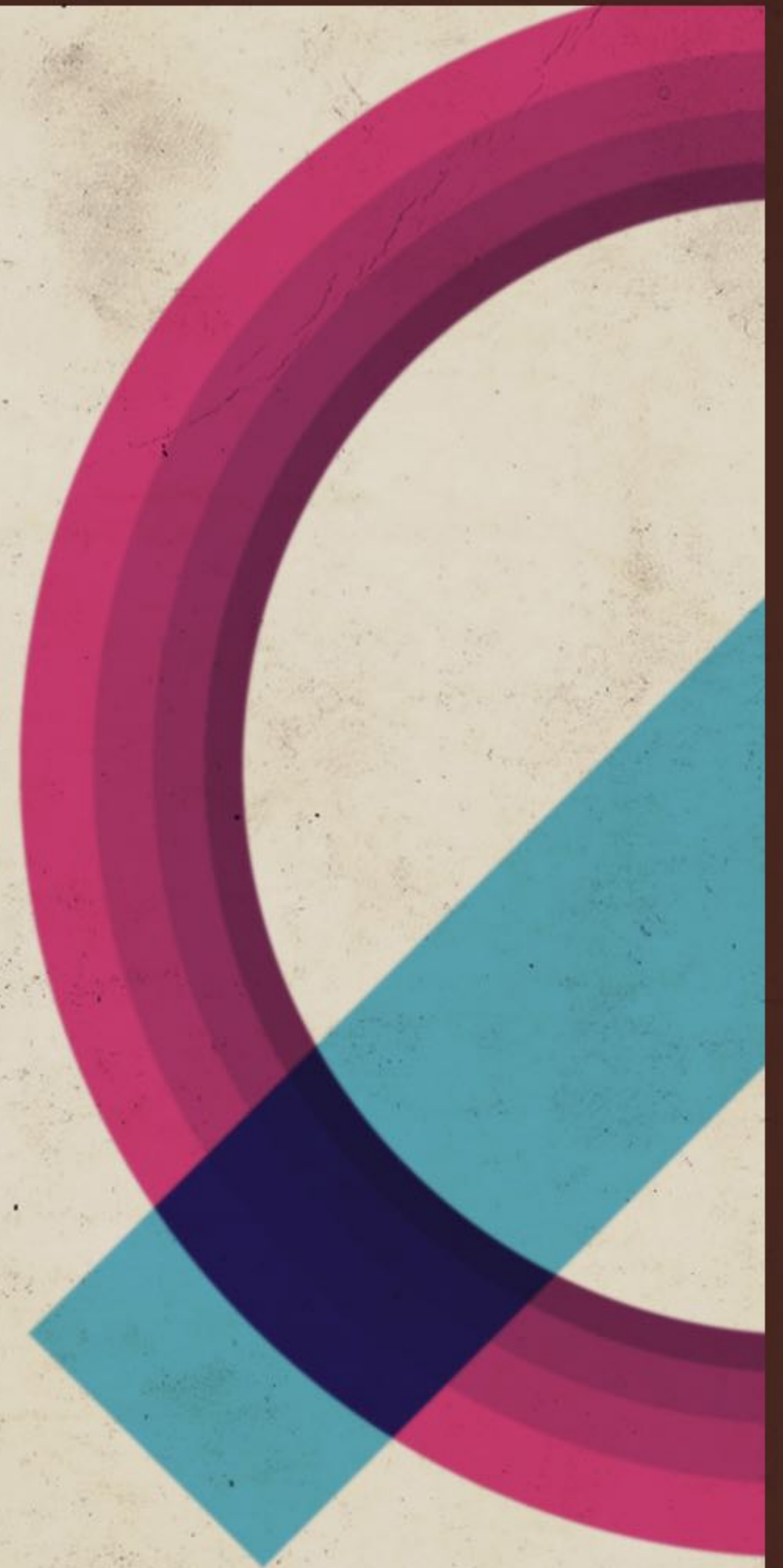


# **PRINCIPLE #3:**

**Nehemiah Had the  
Power to Resist the  
Opposition**

# **NEHEMIAH 6:2-4**

**Sanballat and Geshem sent to me, saying, "Come and let us meet together at Hakkephirim in the plain of Ono." But they intended to do me harm. 3 And I sent messengers to them, saying, "I am doing a great work and I cannot come down. Why should the work stop while I leave it and come down to you?" 4 And they sent to me four times in this way, and I answered them in the same manner.**





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