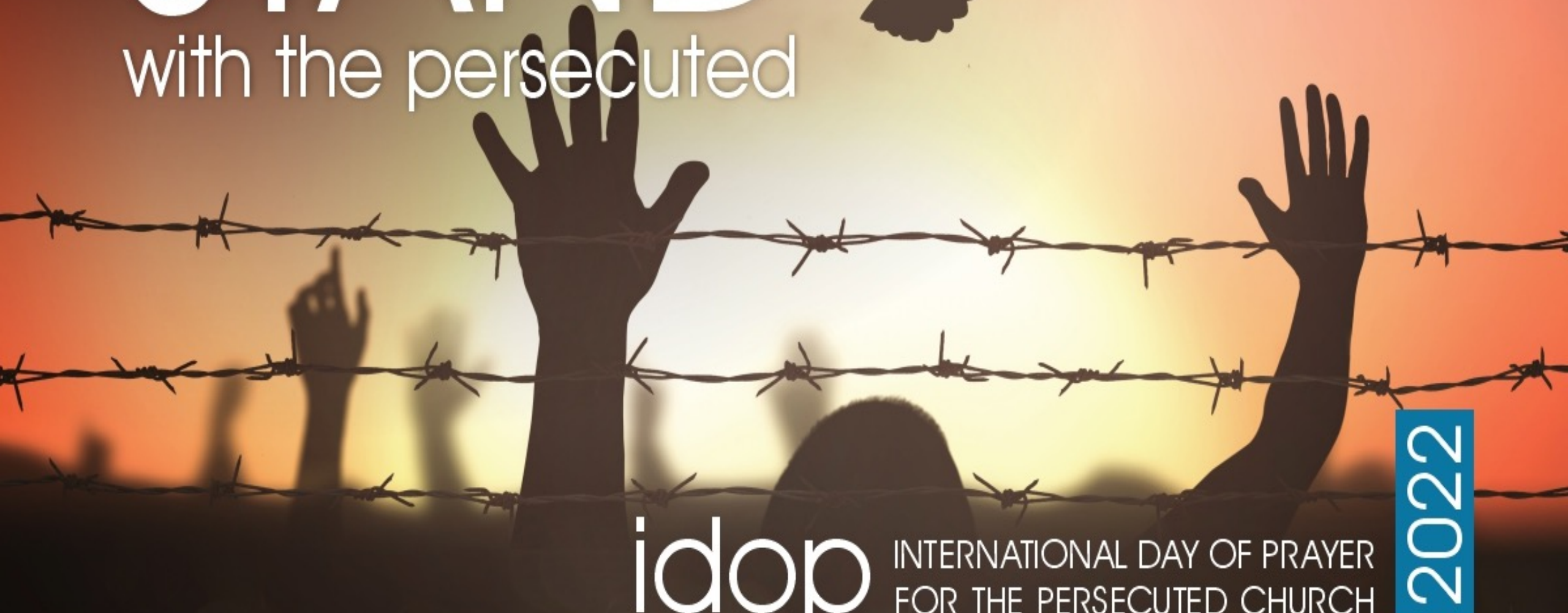


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## Revelation 2:8-11

**<sup>8</sup> “To the angel of the church in Smyrna write: These are the words of him who is the First and the Last, who died and came to life again.**

**<sup>9</sup> I know your afflictions and your poverty—yet you are rich! I know about the slander of those who say they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan.**

## Revelation 2:8-11

**<sup>10</sup> Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer. I tell you; the devil will put some of you in prison to test you, and you will suffer persecution for ten days. Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you life as your victor's crown.**

**<sup>11</sup> Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches. The one who is victorious will not be hurt at all by the second death.**







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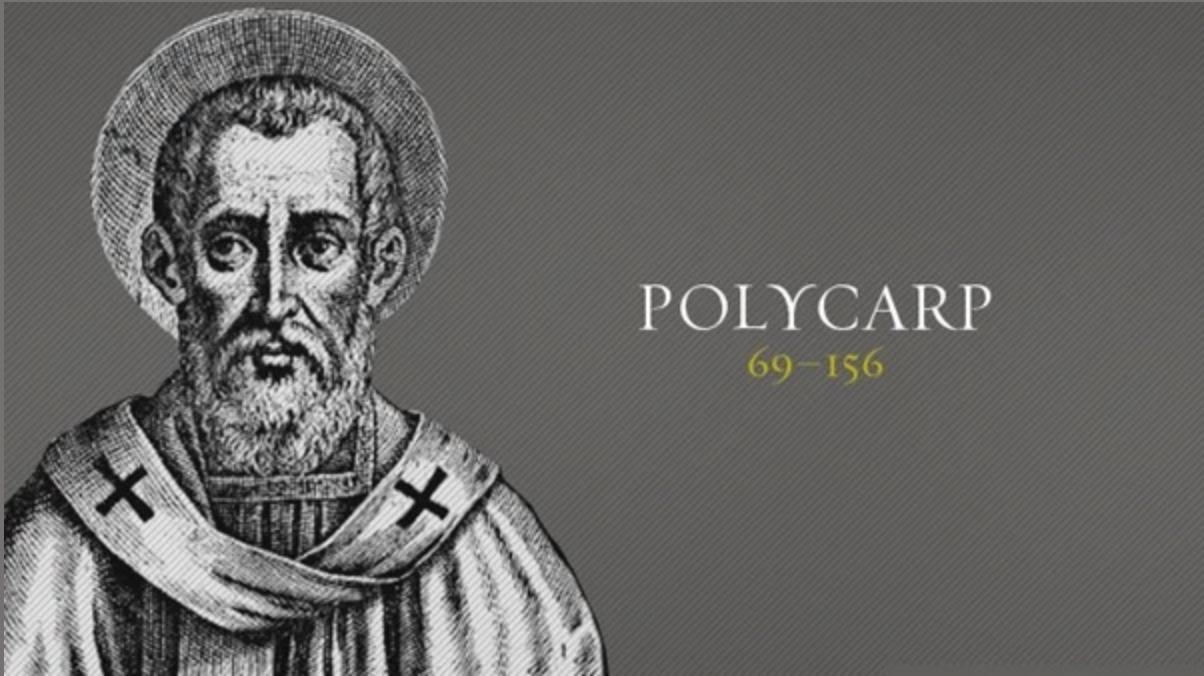
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