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THE BEGINNING OF THE SEND!

ACTS 8:1-8



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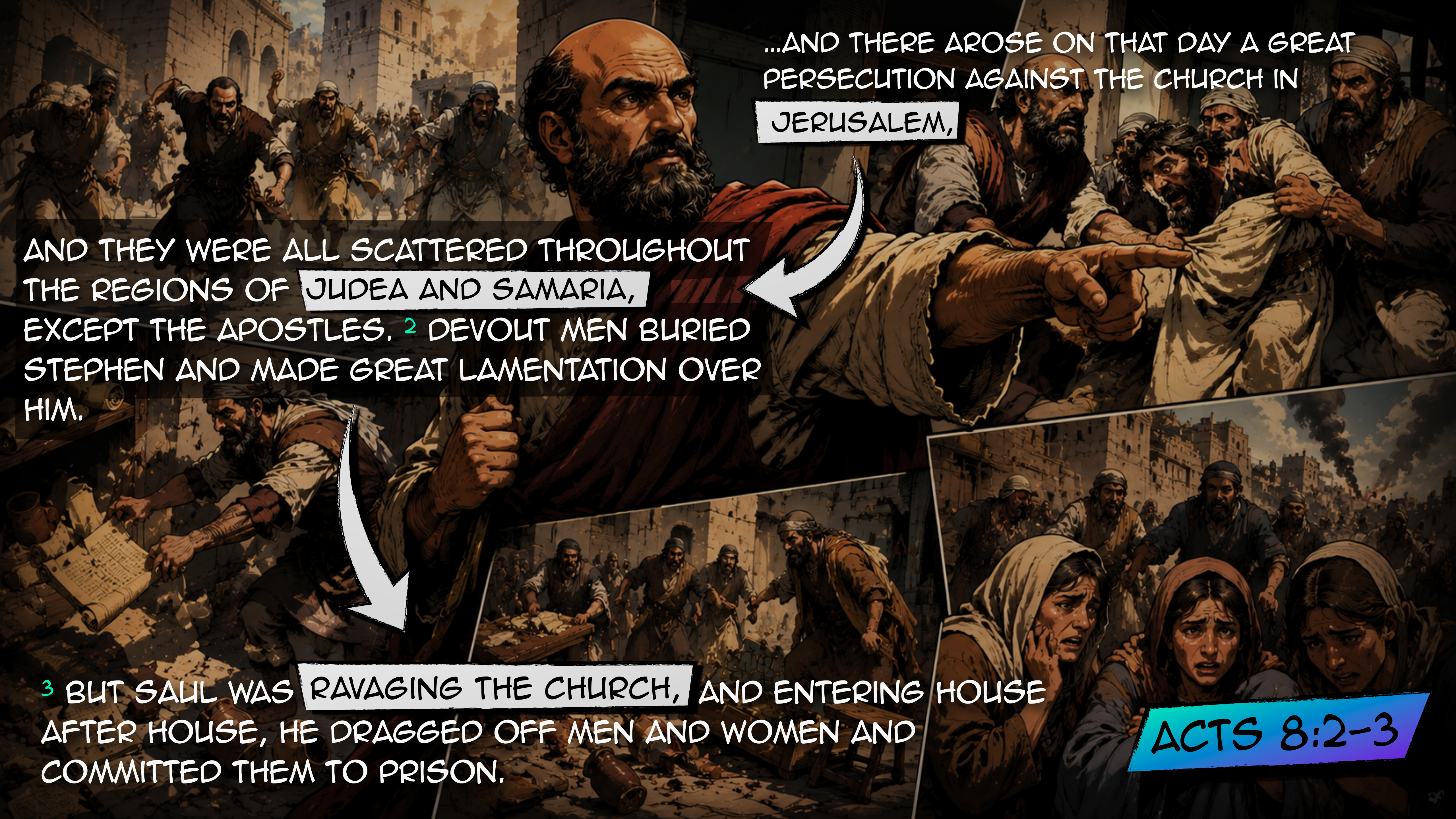
THE BOOK OF ACTS





¹ AND SAUL APPROVED OF HIS EXECUTION.

ACTS 8:1



...AND THERE AROSE ON THAT DAY A GREAT
PERSECUTION AGAINST THE CHURCH IN
JERUSALEM,

AND THEY WERE ALL SCATTERED THROUGHOUT
THE REGIONS OF JUDEA AND SAMARIA,
EXCEPT THE APOSTLES. ² DEVOUT MEN BURIED
STEPHEN AND MADE GREAT LAMENTATION OVER
HIM.

³ BUT SAUL WAS RAVAGING THE CHURCH, AND ENTERING HOUSE
AFTER HOUSE, HE DRAGGED OFF MEN AND WOMEN AND
COMMITTED THEM TO PRISON.

ACTS 8:2-3



⁴ NOW THOSE WHO WERE SCATTERED WENT ABOUT PREACHING THE WORD. ⁵ PHILIP WENT DOWN TO THE CITY OF SAMARIA AND PROCLAIMED TO THEM THE CHRIST.

⁶ AND THE CROWDS WITH ONE ACCORD PAID ATTENTION TO WHAT WAS BEING SAID BY PHILIP, WHEN THEY HEARD HIM AND SAW THE SIGNS THAT HE DID.

⁷ FOR UNCLEAN SPIRITS, CRYING OUT WITH A LOUD VOICE, CAME OUT OF MANY WHO HAD THEM, AND MANY WHO WERE PARALYZED OR LAME WERE HEALED.

⁸ SO THERE WAS MUCH JOY IN THAT CITY.

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c. 155 c. 220 AD

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IS THE SEED OF THE CHURCH."

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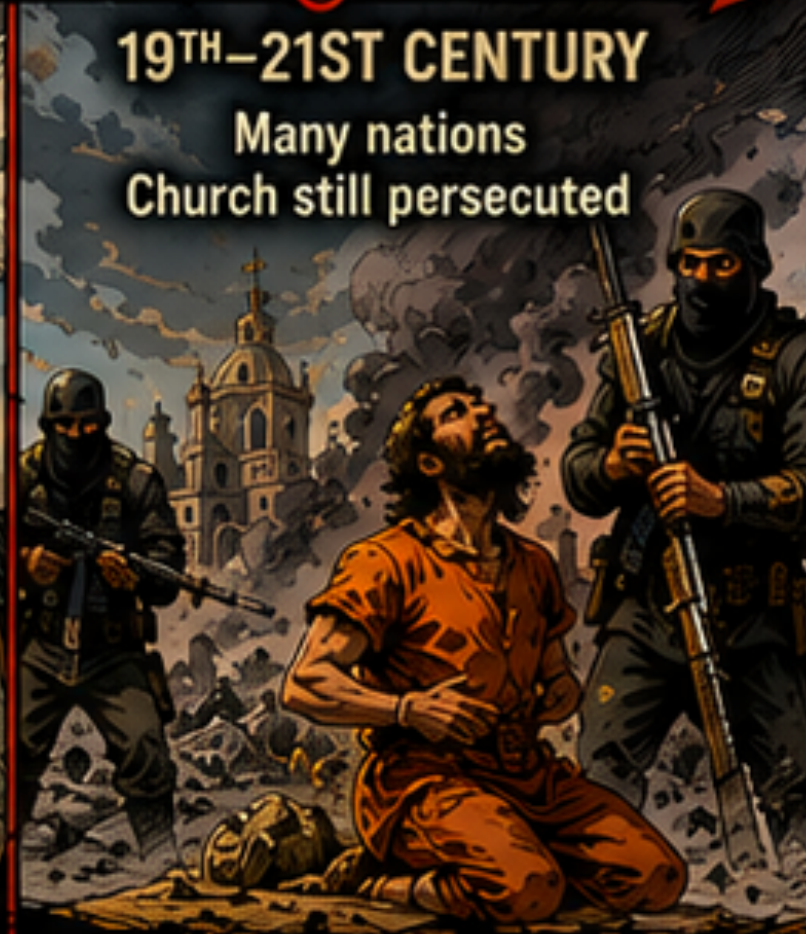
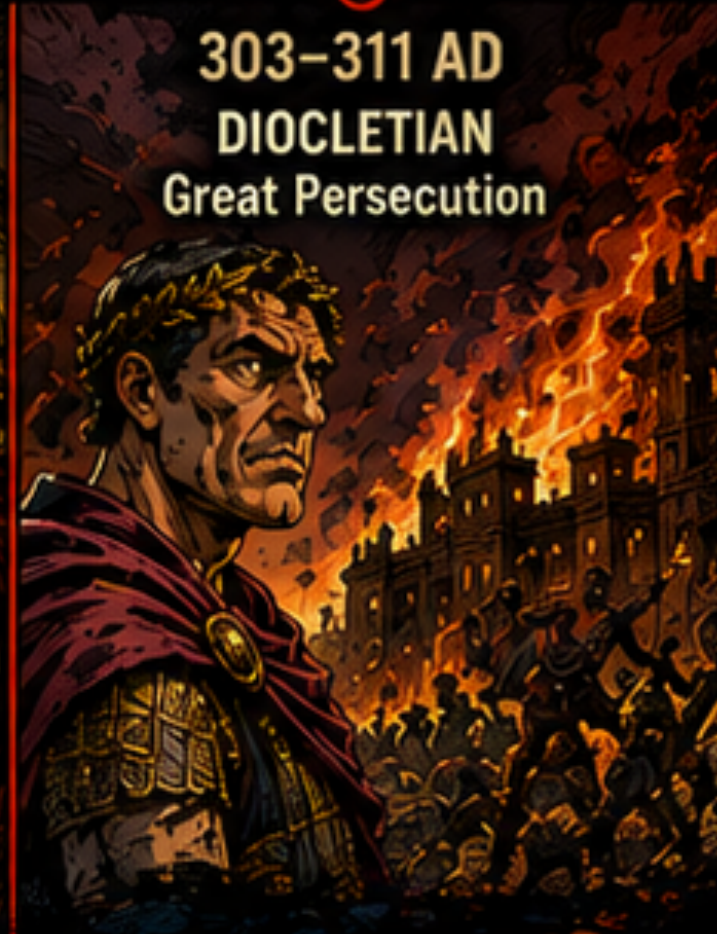
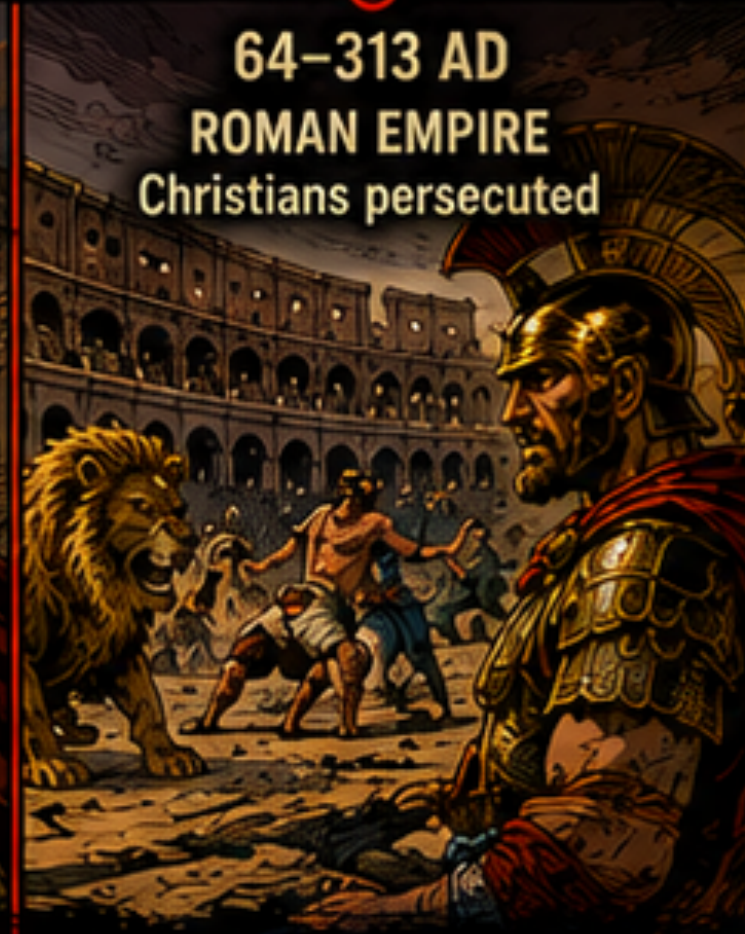
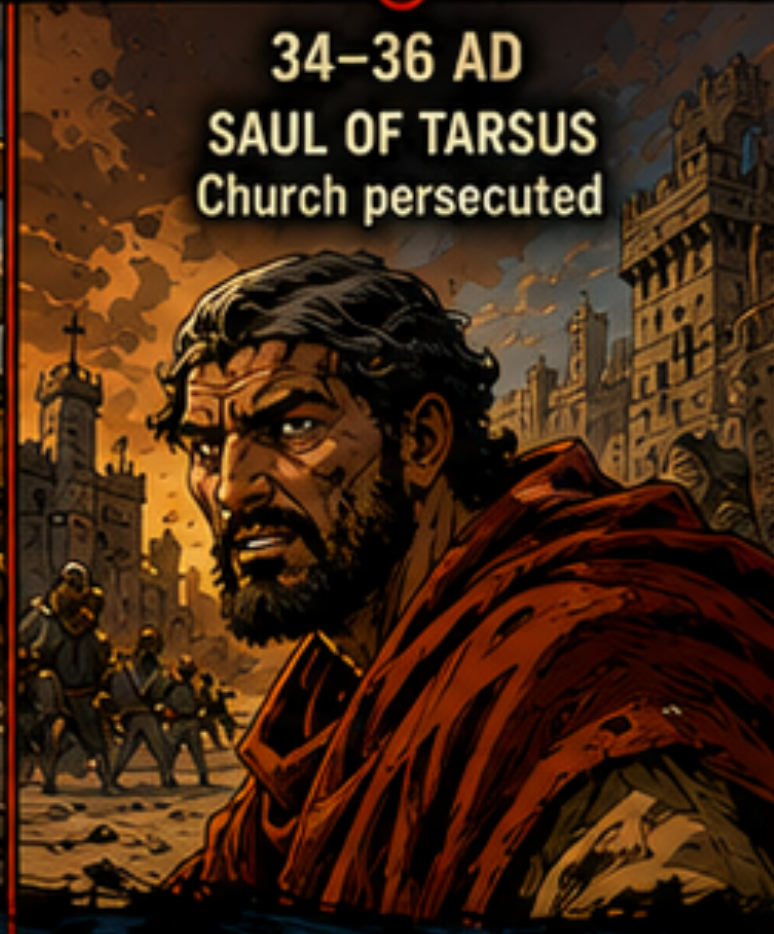
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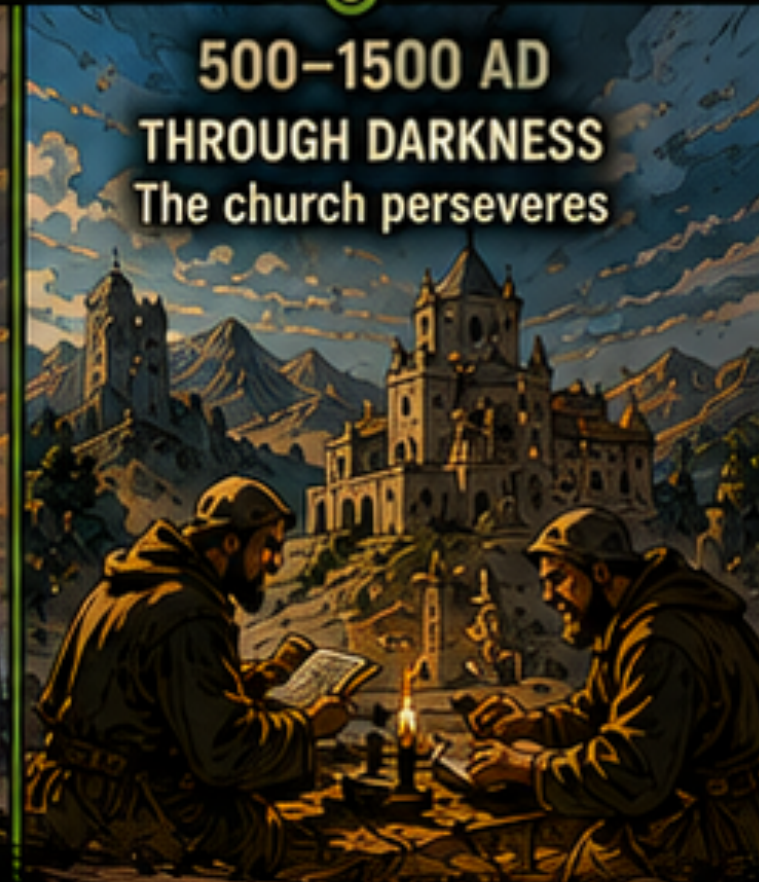
THE HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY: PERSECUTION PRODUCES EXPANSION

"The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church." – TERTULLIAN

PERSECUTION



EXPANSION



THE MORE THEY TRIED TO SILENCE THE GOSPEL,
THE LOUDER IT SPREAD.

"SURELY THE WRATH OF MAN SHALL PRAISE YOU;
THE REMNANT OF WRATH YOU WILL RESTRAIN."
– PSALM 76:10

IF IT IS OF GOD,
YOU WILL NOT
BE ABLE TO
OVERTHROW THEM.
– ACTS 5:39

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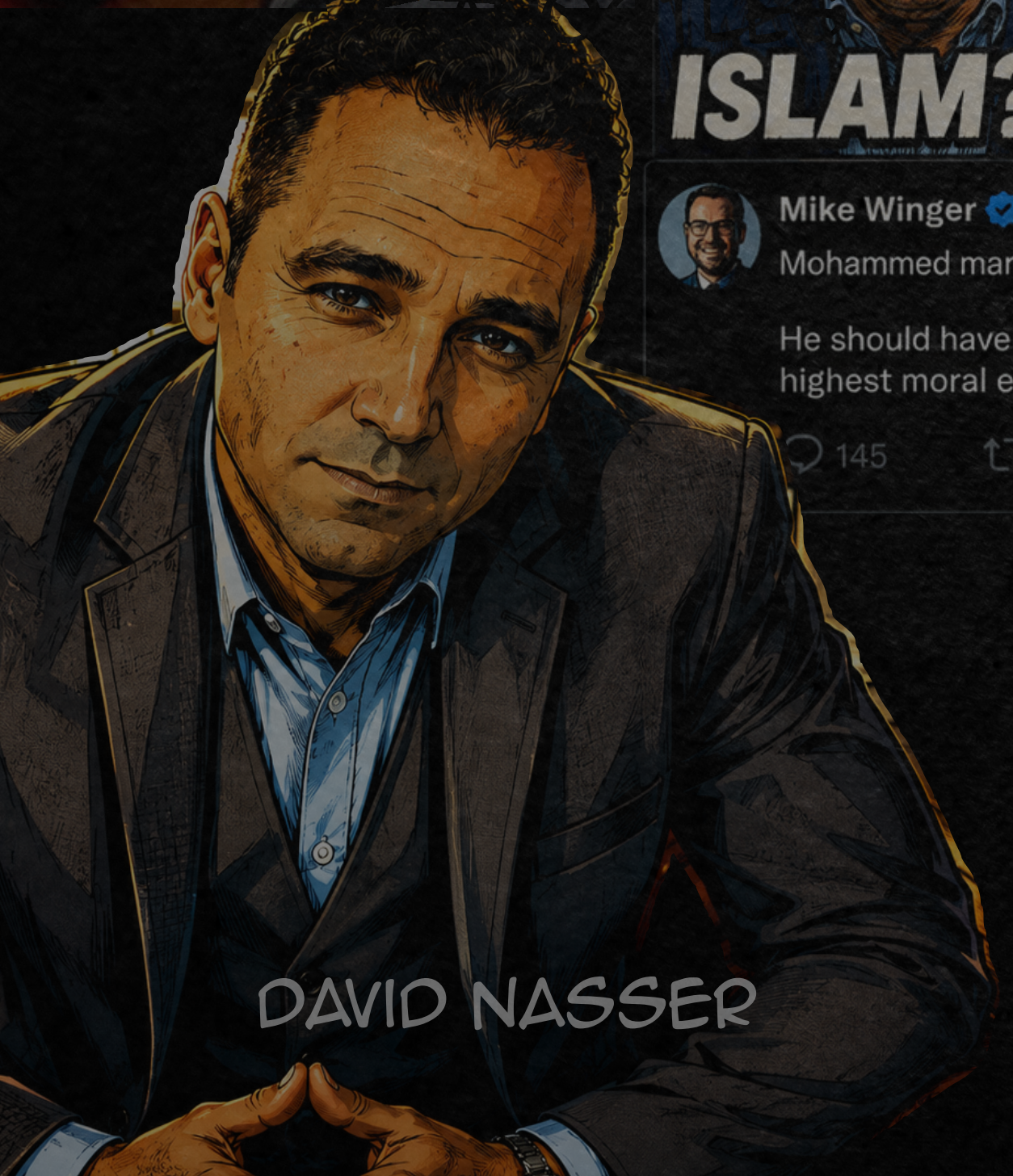
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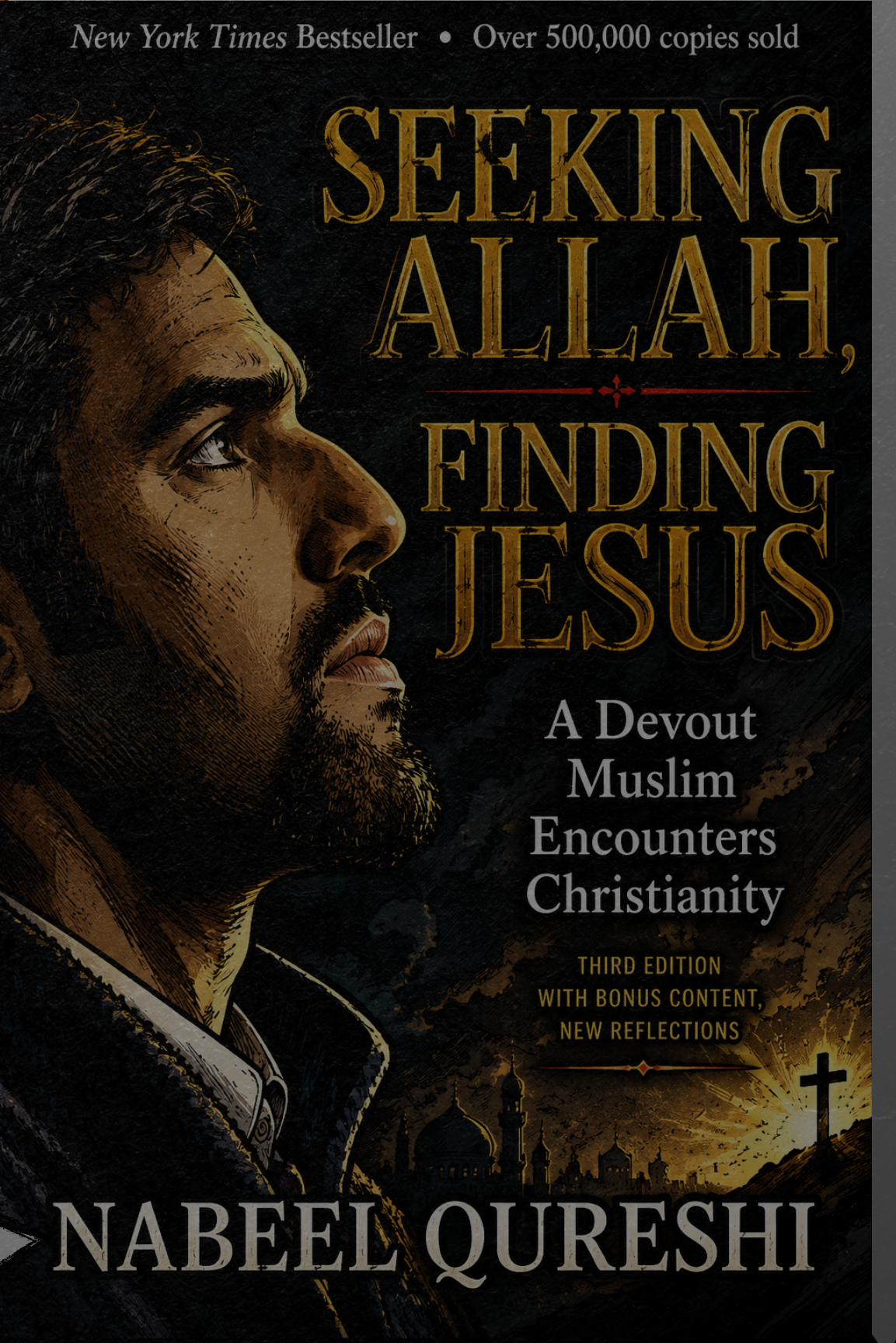
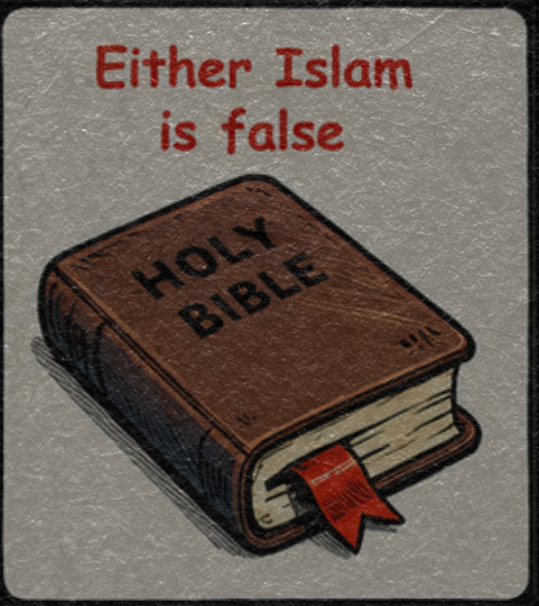
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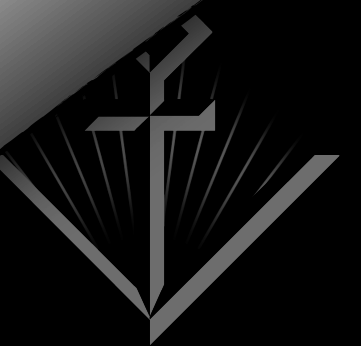
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APOSTLES

"ORDINARY" PEOPLE CARRY THE GOSPEL

PHILIP + OTHER
CHRISTIANS



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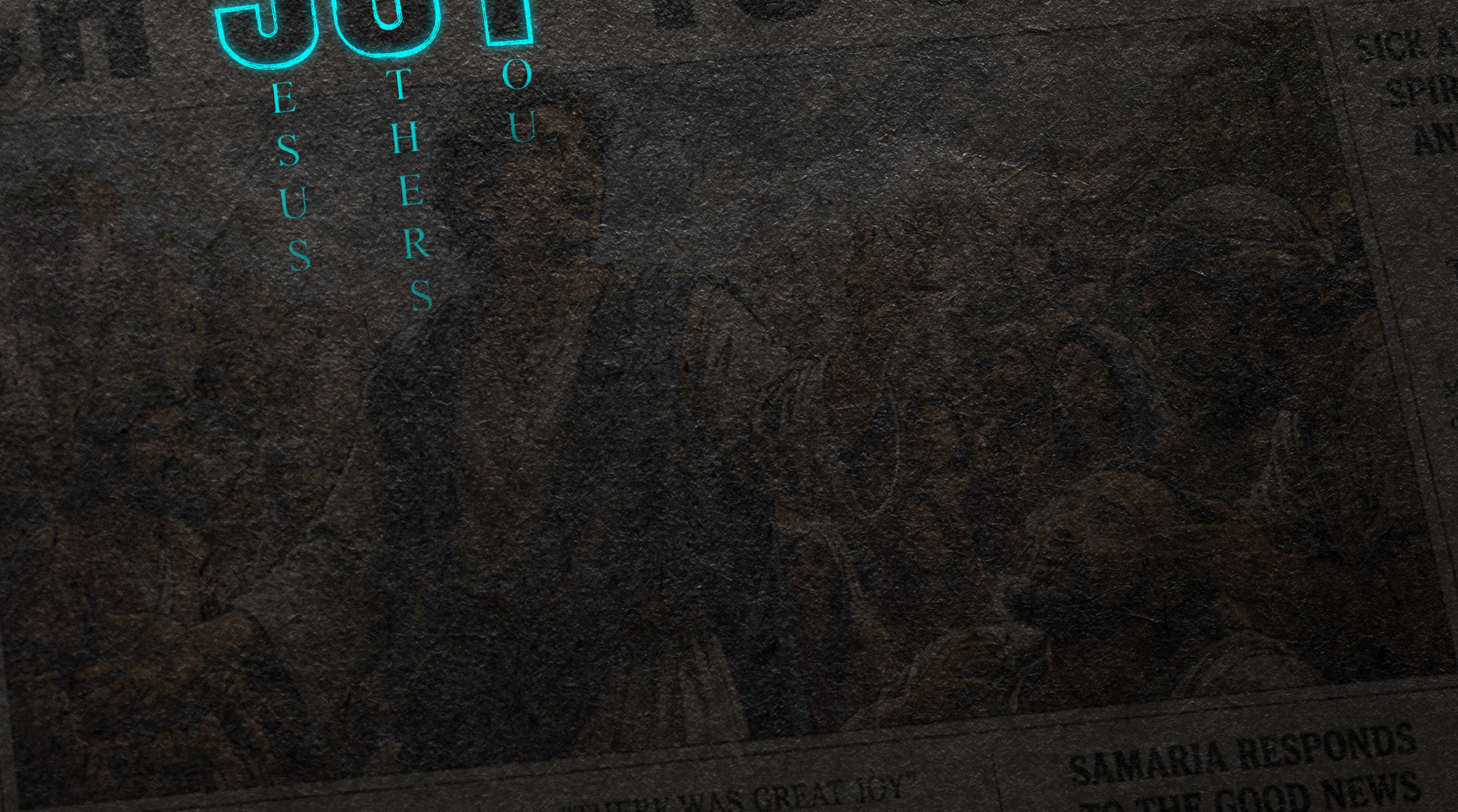
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