

**HOW DOES
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DECISIONS?**

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**KNOWING THE
ENDING LETS
YOU THINK
MORE CLEARLY.**

FIRST CORINTHIANS

7:25-40

Law

GENESIS

EXODUS

LEVITICUS

NUMBERS

DEUTERO.

History

JOSHUA

JUDGES

RUTH

1-2 SAM.

1-2 KINGS

1-2 CHRON.

EZRA

NEHEMIAH

ESTHER

Wisdom

JOB

PSALMS

PROVERBS

ECCLESIAS.

SONG OF S.

Major Prophets

ISAIAH

JEREMIAH

LAMENT.

EZEKIEL

DANIEL

Minor Prophets

HOSEA

JOEL

AMOS

OBADIAH

JONAH

MICAH

NAHUM

HABAKKUK

ZEPHANIAH

HAGGAI

ZECHARIAH

MALACHI

Old Testament

New Testament

MATTHEW

MARK

LUKE

JOHN

Gospels

ACTS

History

ROMANS

1-2 COR.

GALATN.

EPHESNS.

PHILIPP.

COLOSSN.

1-2 THESS.

1-2 TIM.

TITUS

PHILEM.

Paul's Letters

HEBREWS

JAMES

1-2 PETER

1-3 JOHN

JUDE

General Letters

REVLATN.

Prophecy

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παρθένος
parthenos [s.3933]
Virgins.

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give as one who
by is
trustworthy.

COMMENTARY →

A WHOLE BOOK
WRITTEN TO
HELP EXPLAIN
1 CORINTHIANS



1 CORINTHIANS 7:26 *esv*

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"All Hell has
broken loose,
and I think it is
good for you to
stay as you are."

DR. JAY →



1 CORINTHIANS 7:29 *esv*

29 This is what I mean,
brothers: the appointed
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**SAY WHAT
NOW?**

←WICKS

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1 CORINTHIANS 7:31 *esv*

31 and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

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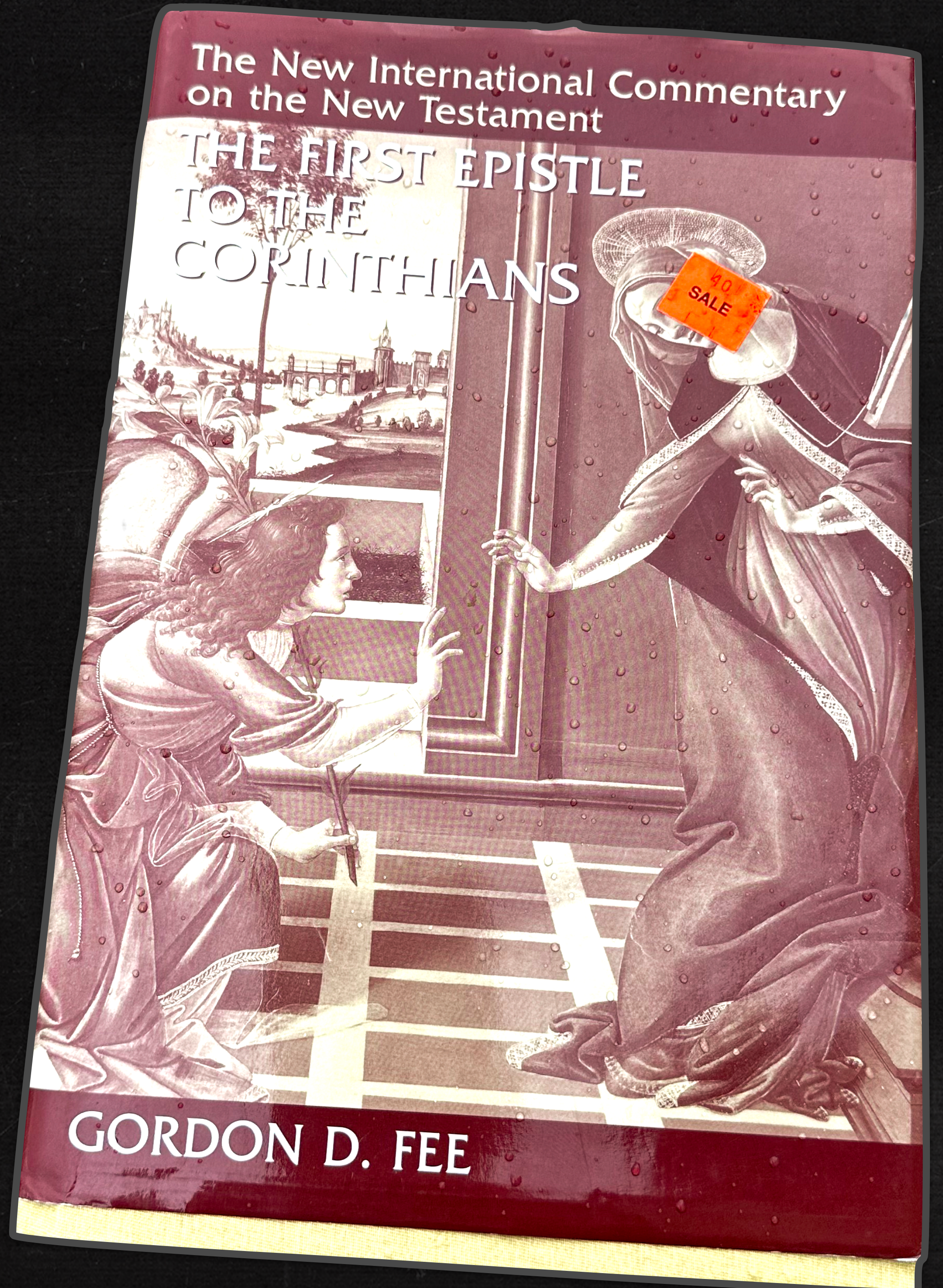
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“The Christian is marked by eternity;”



“Therefore, he or she is not under the dominating power of those things that dominate the lives of others.”

—GORDON D. FEE, 341

1 CORINTHIANS 7:32 *esv*

32 I want you to be free from anxieties. The unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to please the Lord.



**EXCUSE
ME?!?!?**

← **ANXIETY IN A TIE**

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1 CORINTHIANS 7:33 *esv*

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please his wife,

1 CORINTHIANS 7:34 *esv*

³⁴ and his interests are divided. And the unmarried or betrothed woman is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to be holy in body and spirit. But the married woman is anxious about worldly things, how to please her husband.

1 CORINTHIANS 7:32 *esv*

32 I want you to be free from **anxieties**. The unmarried man is **anxious** about the things of the Lord and how to please the Lord.

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merimnaō
[s.3309]
**Cares, is
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ἀμέριμνος
amerimnos [s.275]
Unconcerned.

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merimnaō
[s.3309]
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20 For I have no one
like him, who will be
genuinely **concerned**
for your welfare.

PHILIPPIANS 2:20 *esv*

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19 “Go therefore and **make disciples of all nations**, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

MATTHEW 28:19-20 esv

1 CORINTHIANS 7:35 *esv*

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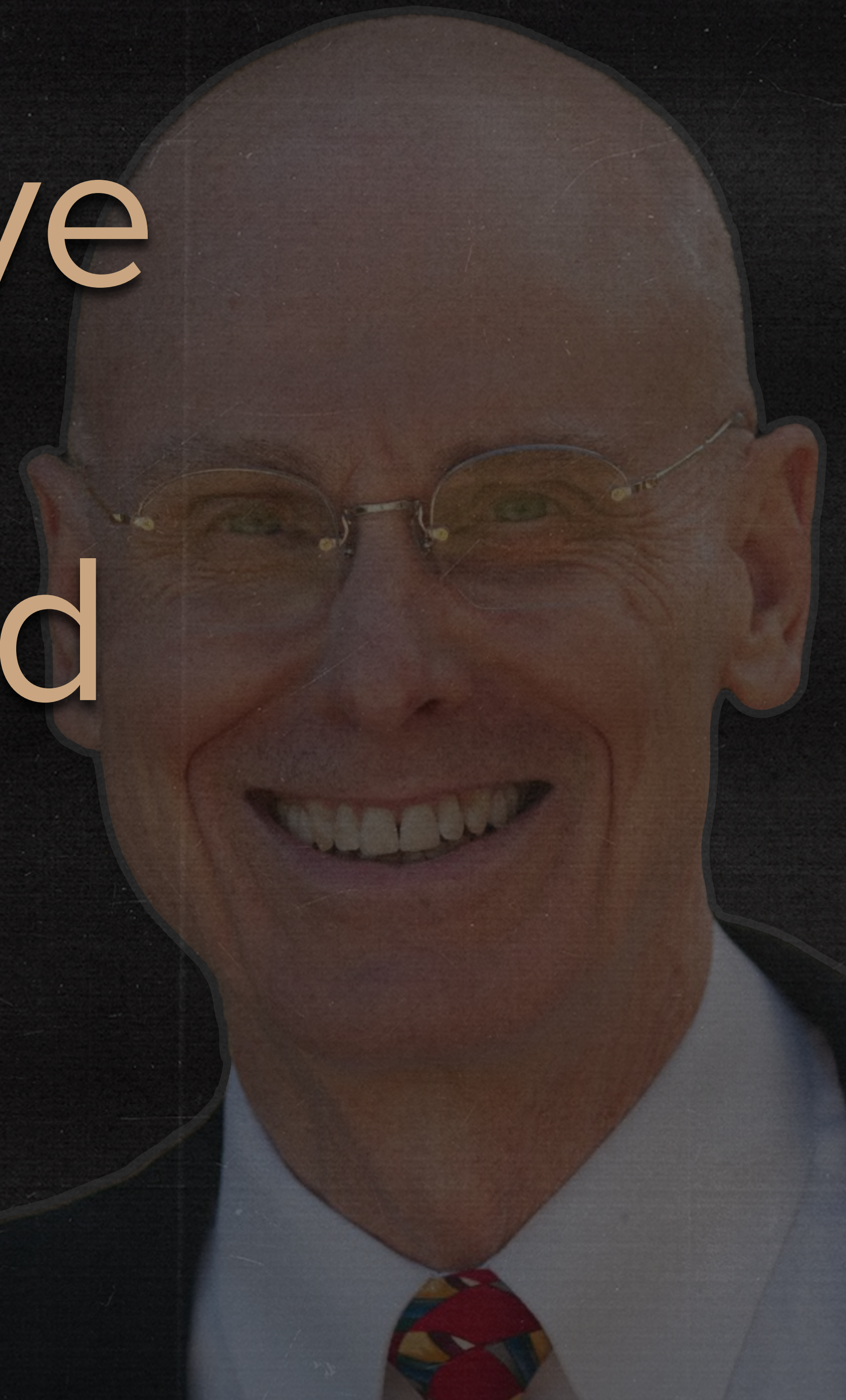
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God says, "I have two events on my agenda and the first one is now done."

JAY SMITH →



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1 CORINTHIANS 7:36 *esv*

36 If anyone thinks that he is not behaving properly toward his betrothed, if his passions are strong, and it has to be, let him do as he wishes: let them marry—it is no sin.

1 CORINTHIANS 7:37 *esv*

37 But whoever is firmly established in his heart, being under no necessity but having his desire under control, and has determined this in his heart, to keep her as his betrothed, he will do well.

1 CORINTHIANS 7:38 *esv*

38 So then he who marries his betrothed does well, and he who refrains from marriage will do even better.

1 CORINTHIANS 7:39 *esv*

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1 CORINTHIANS 7:40 *esv*

40 Yet in my judgment she is happier if she remains as she is. And I think that I too have the Spirit of God.

19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, ²⁰ for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

1 CORINTHIANS 6:19-20 esv

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