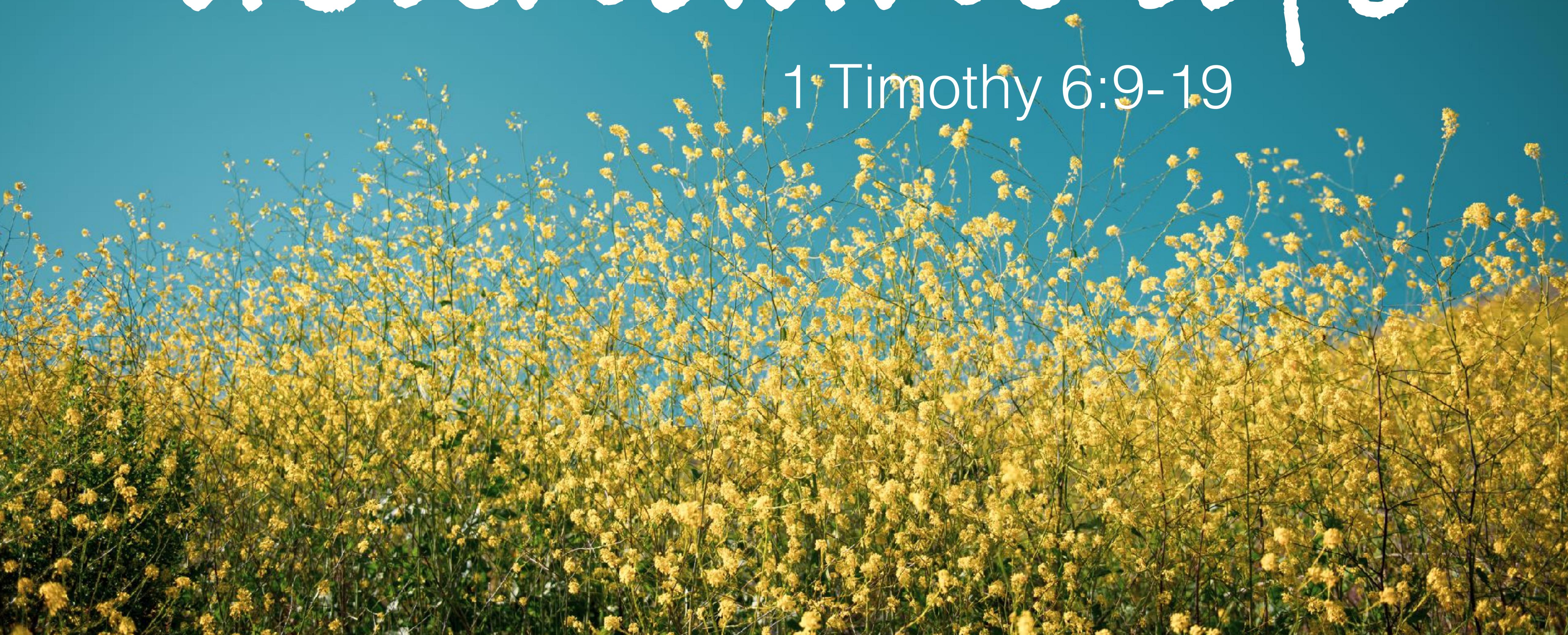


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1 Timothy 6:9-19



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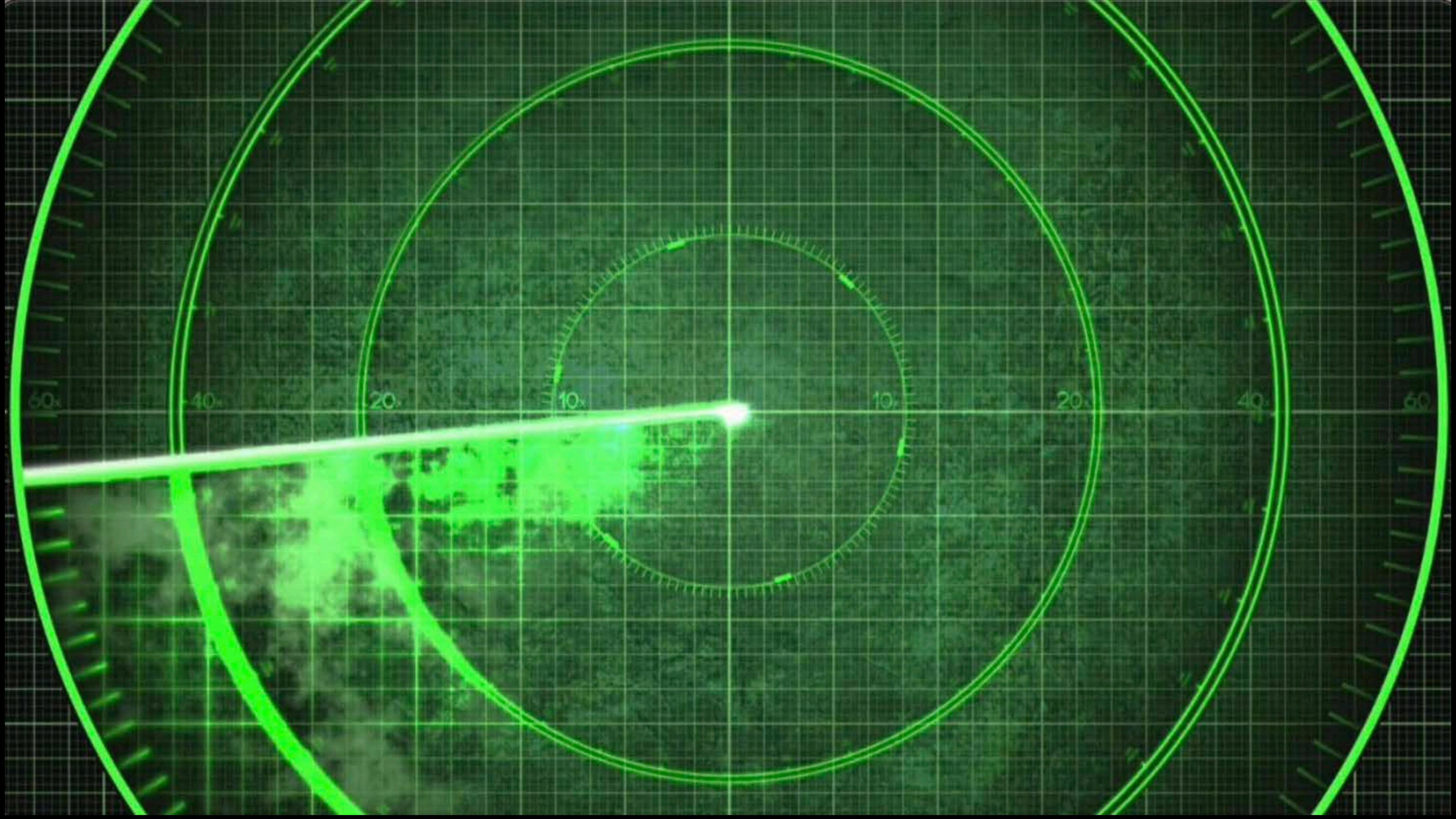












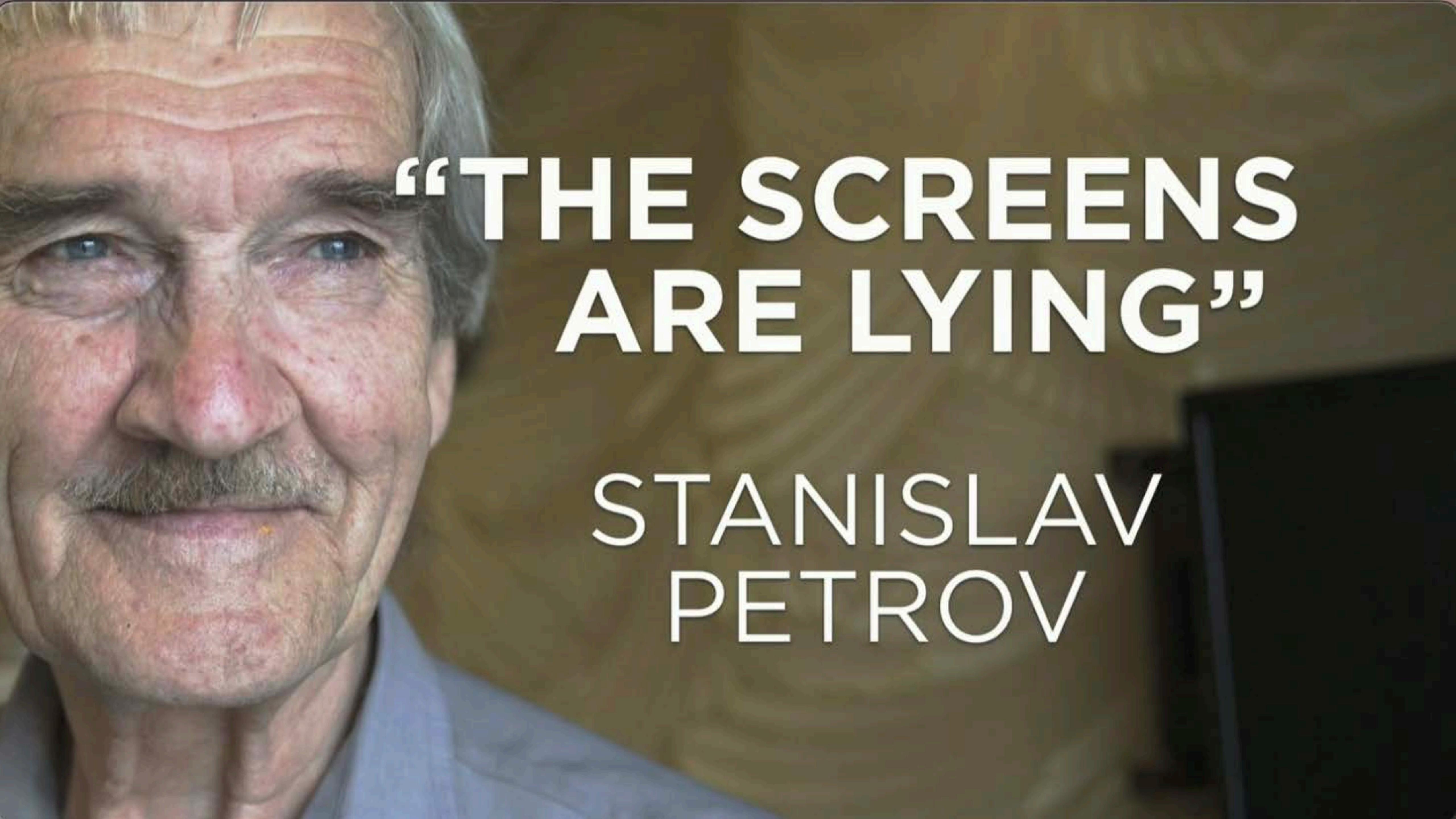






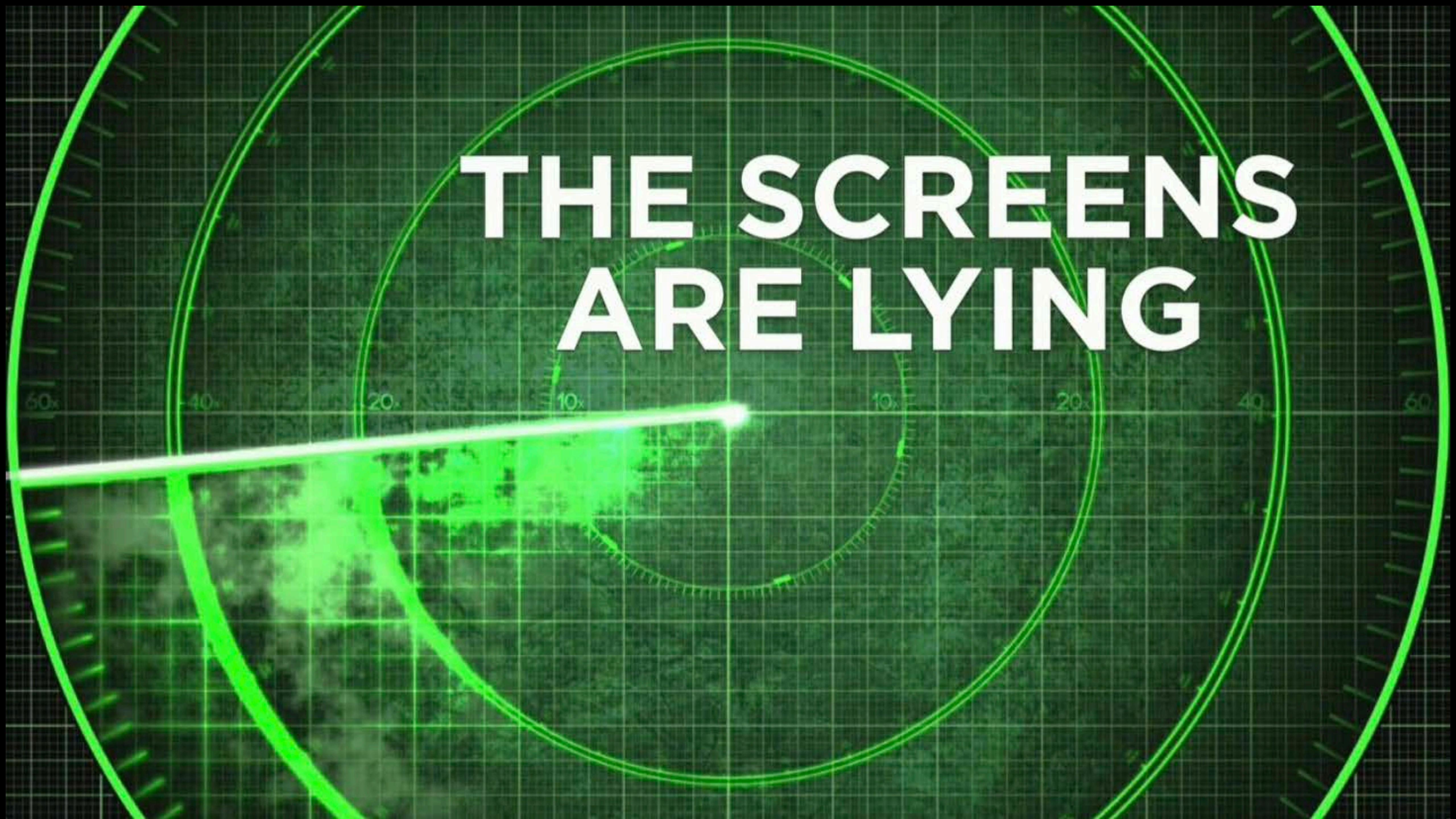


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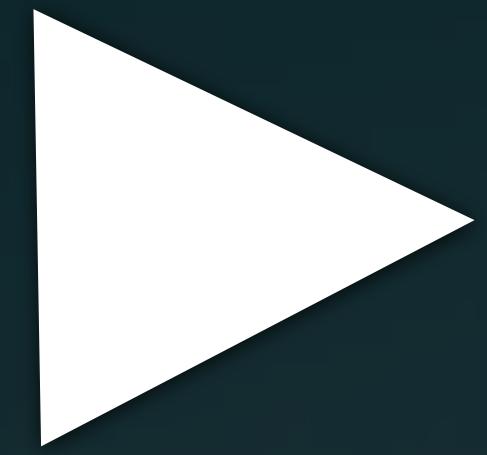
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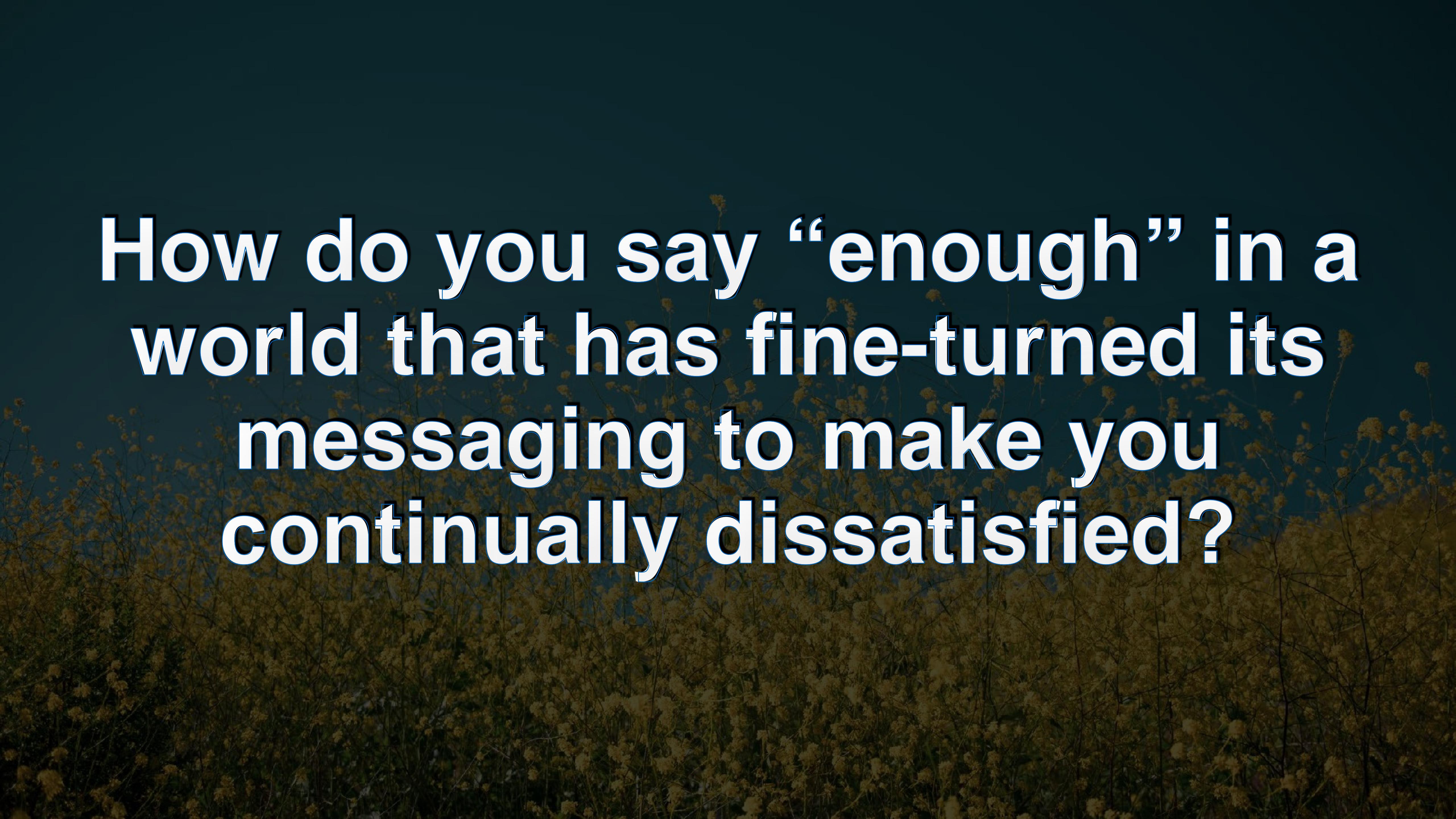
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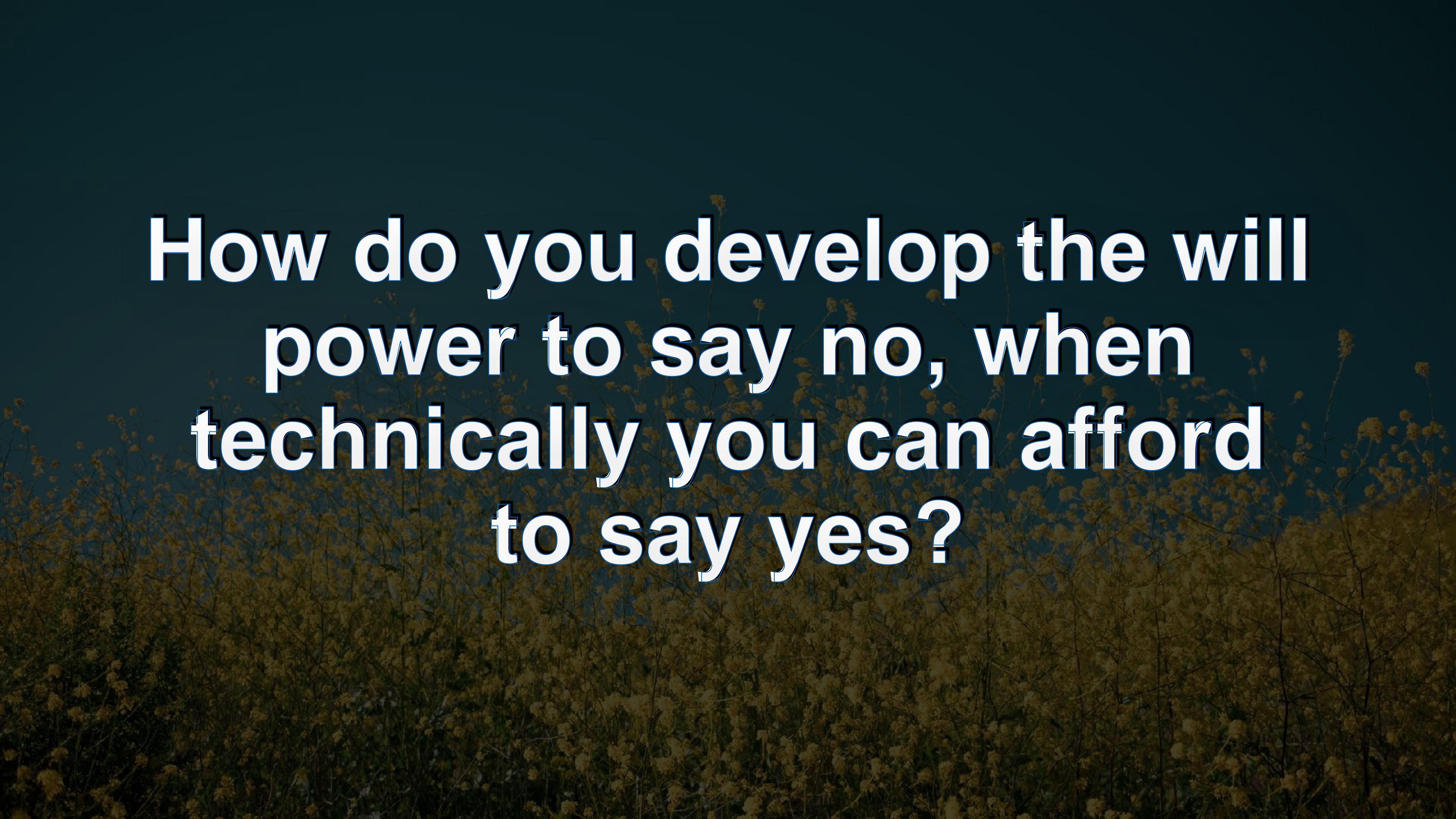
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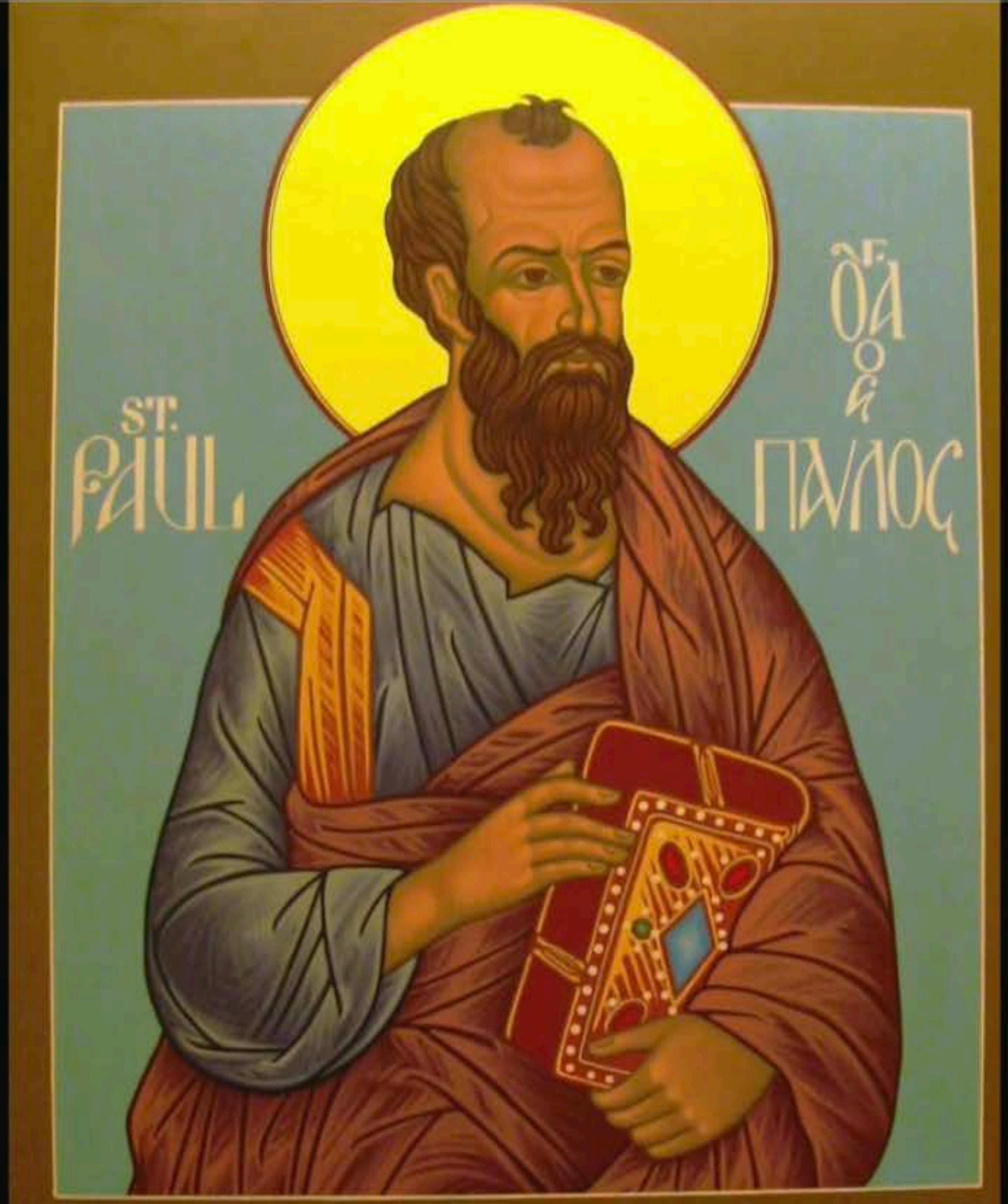
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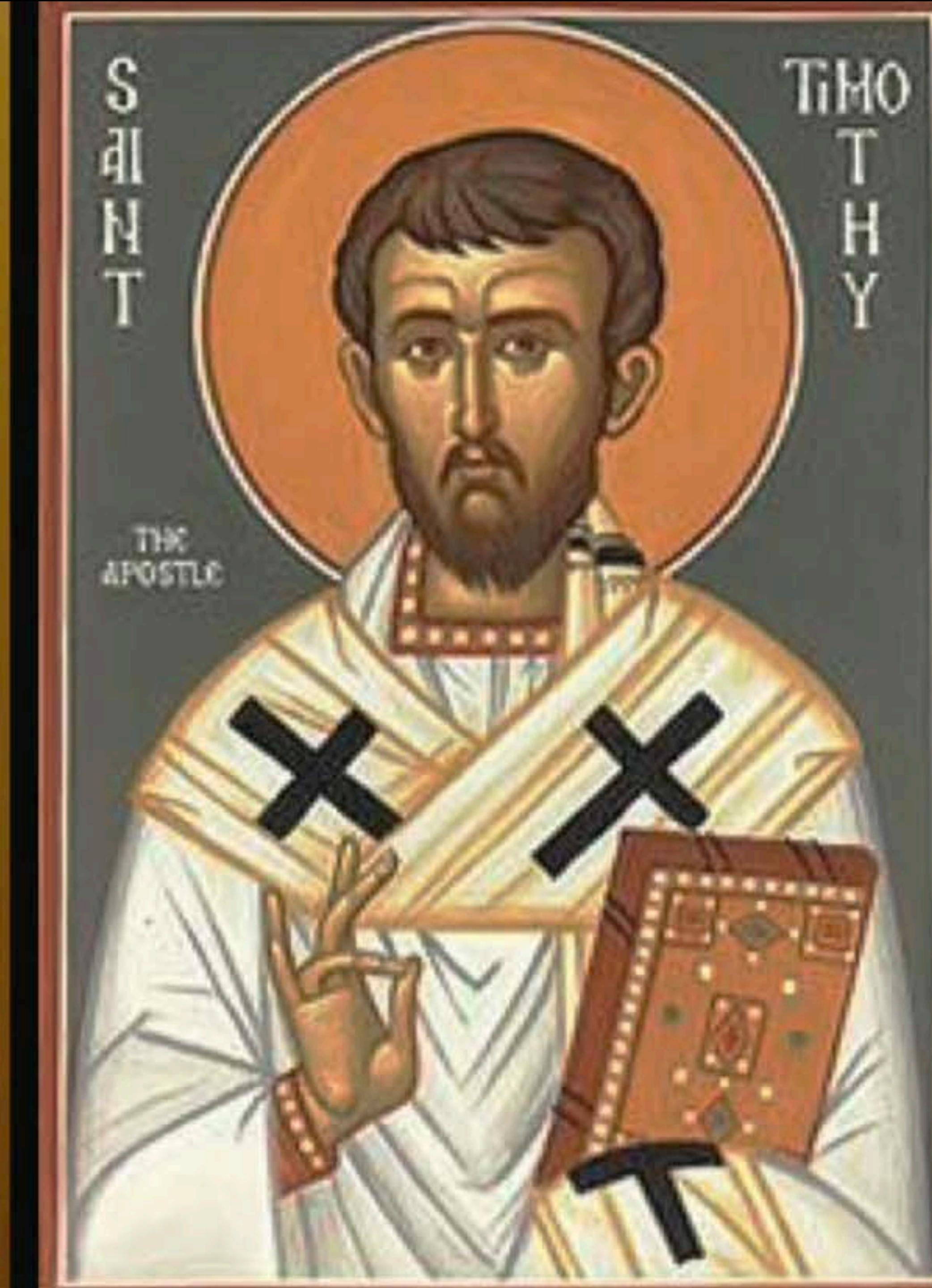
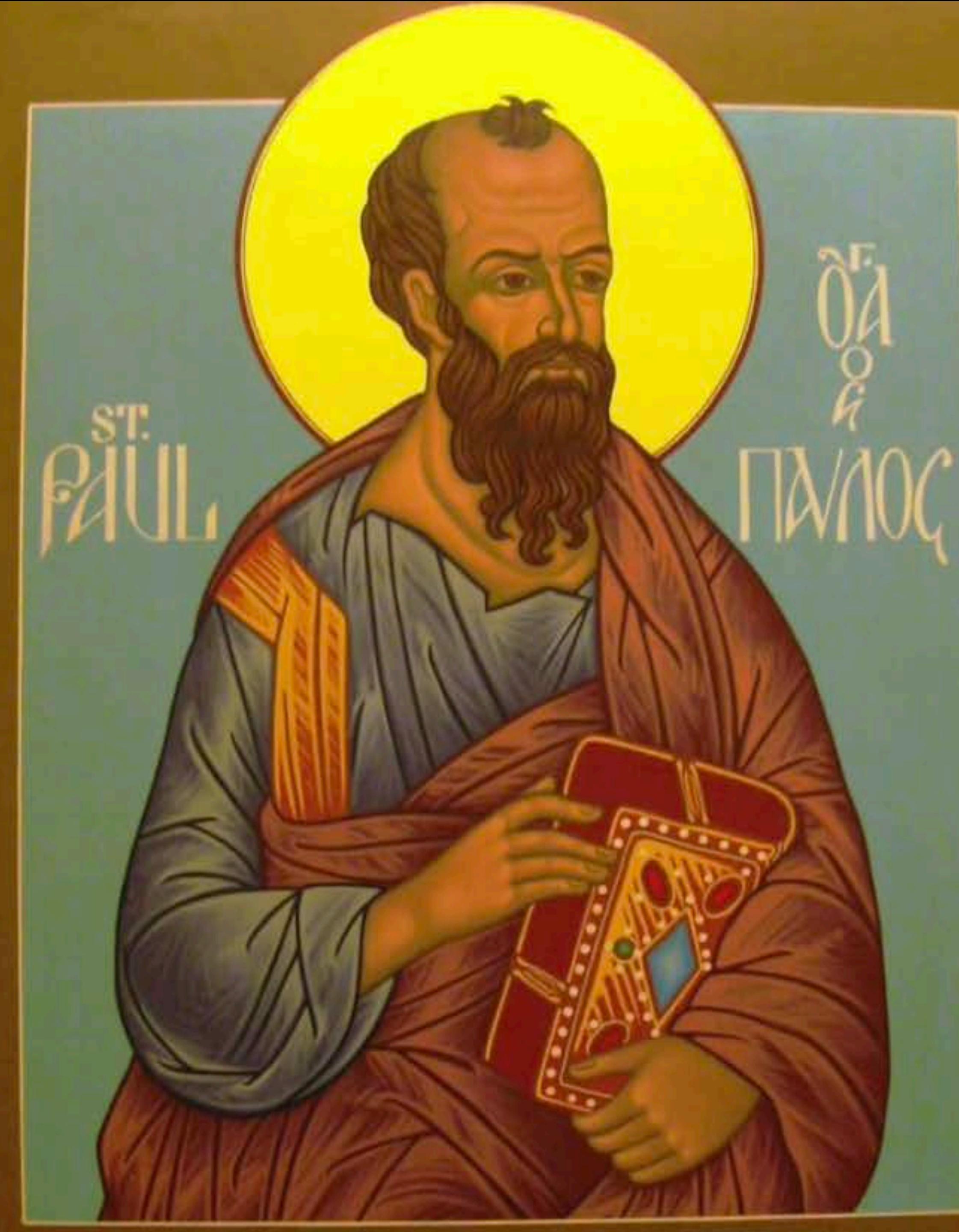


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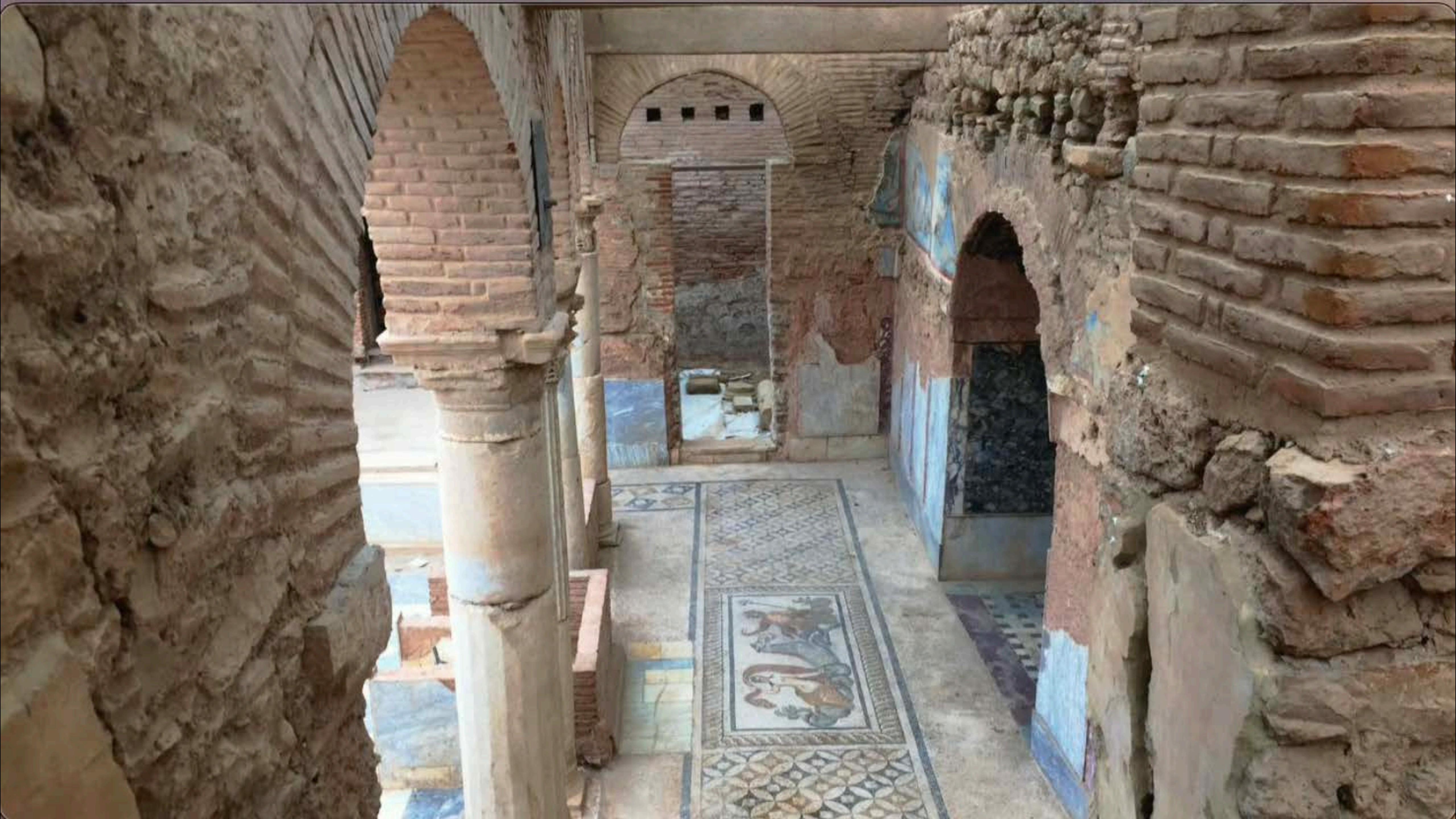
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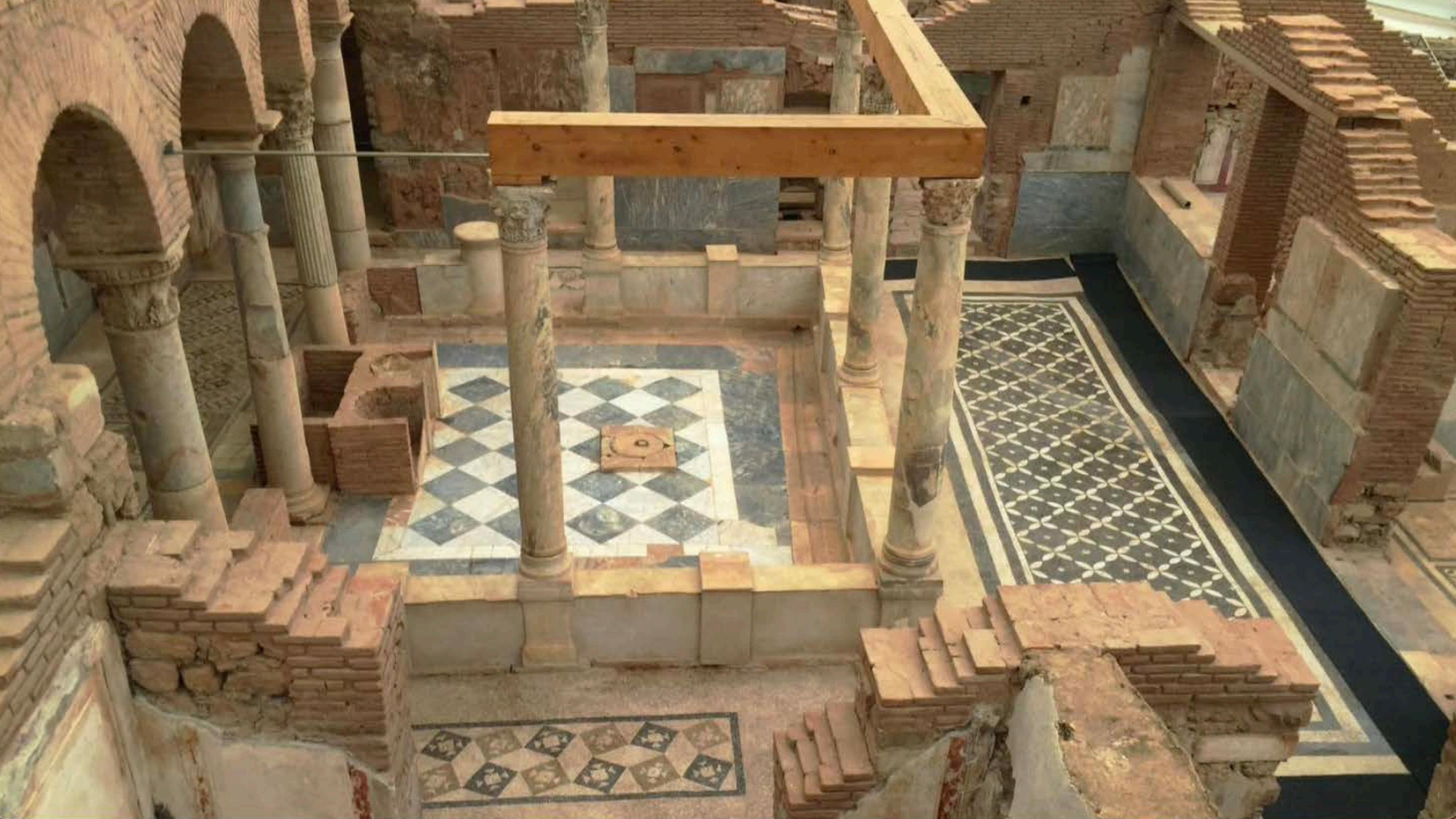
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Poorer than you →

You're in **the top**

**0.95%**

**richest** people in the world by income.

That makes **you** the

**56,994,892<sup>nd</sup>**

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Share your results:



A dark, moody background image of a field of yellow wildflowers under a cloudy sky.

**TO SEE PAST THE LIES  
OF MATERIALISM,  
I MUST:**



**1. SEE THE BLESSING  
OF MY STUFF**

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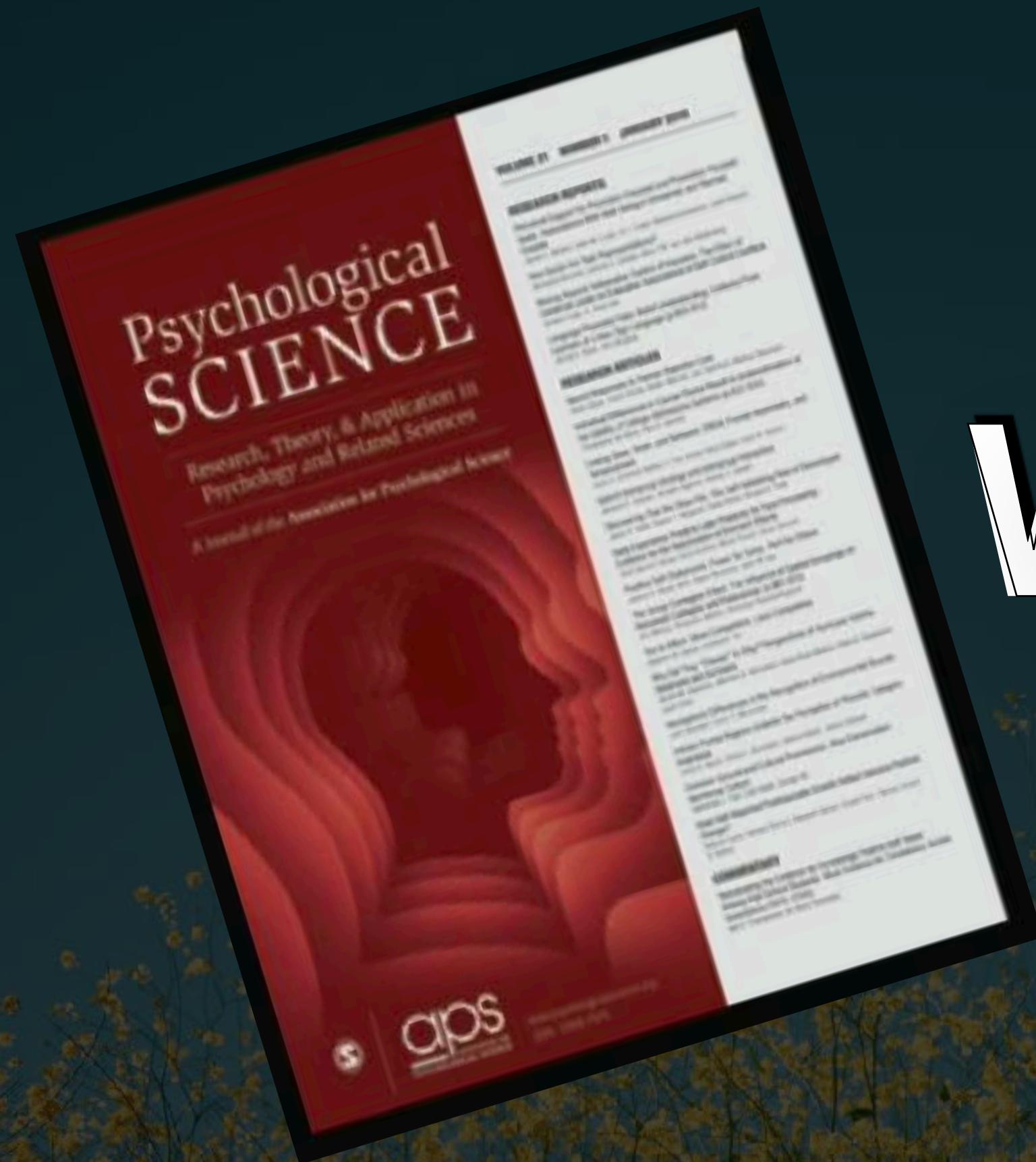
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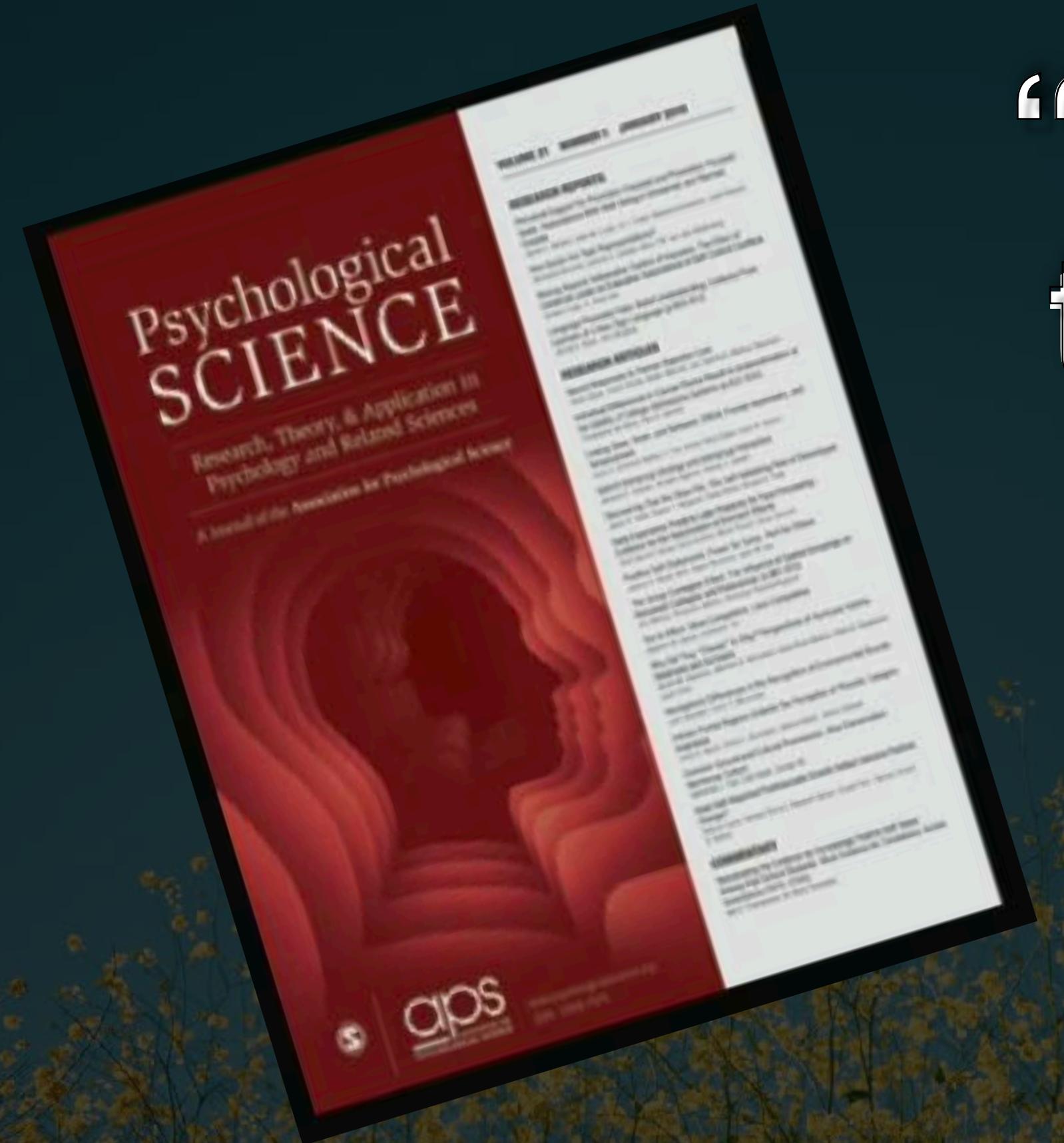
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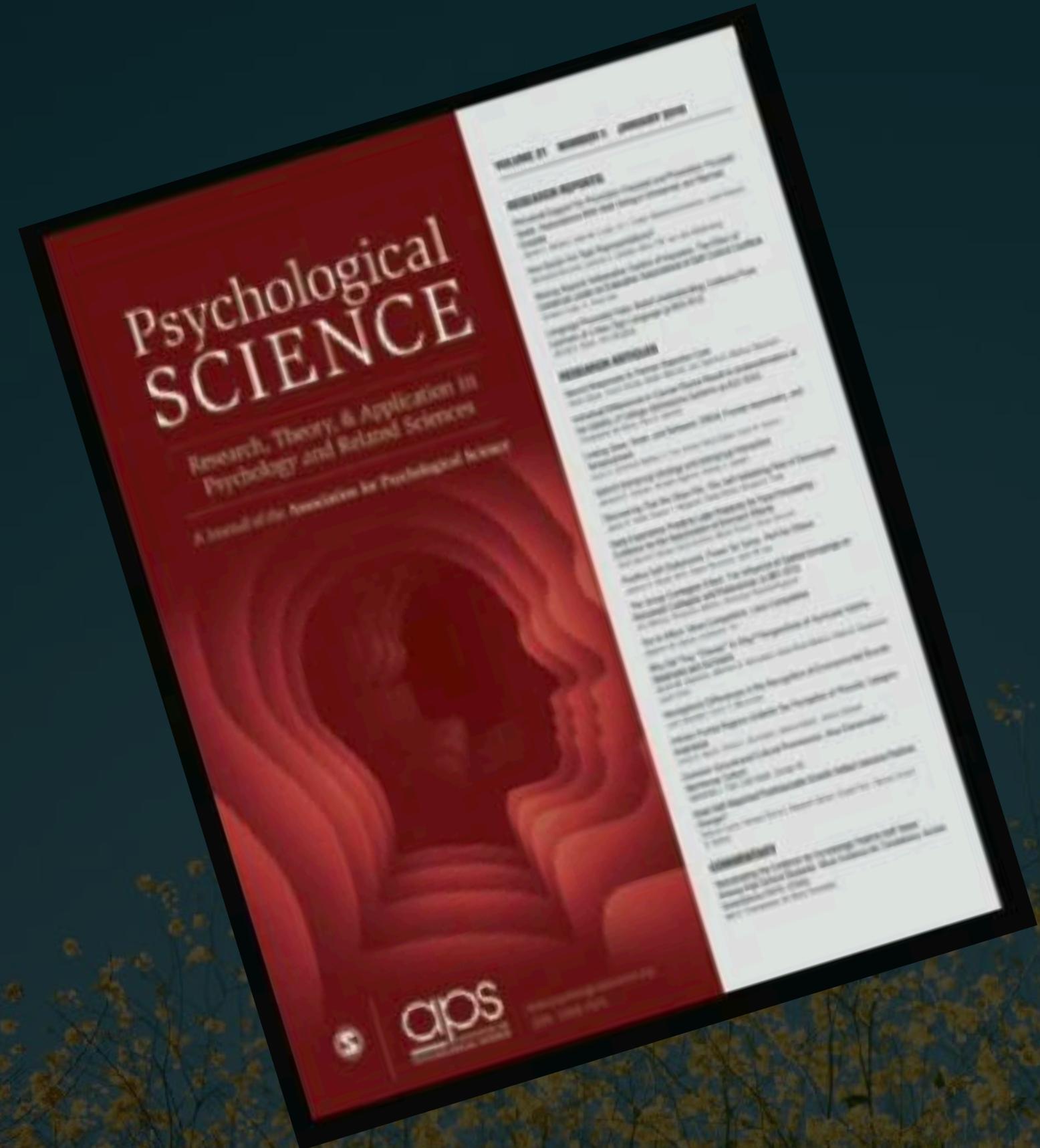
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# Why Aren't Richer People Happier People?





“Because money allows us to enjoy the best things in life —we can stay at expensive hotels and eat good sushi and buy nice gadgets — we actually decrease our ability to enjoy the mundane joys of everyday life.”



“And since most of our joys are mundane — we can’t sleep at the Ritz every night — our ability to enjoy life actually goes backwards.”

“God richly provides us with everything for our **enjoyment**.”

*(1 Timothy 6:17b, NIV)*



2. SEE THE DANGER  
OF MY STUFF

“Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.”

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*By Robert Frank*

The research on wealth and happiness is filled with contradictions. For ages, studies showed that more money didn't bring more happiness and that happiness plateaued at a certain income or wealth level once certain needs were met.

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“When I was only an expert in physics, I didn’t think I knew everything. When I became a good writer, I didn’t think I was good at everything. But once I started making money, the temptation was to start thinking, I am an expert on everything!”

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The migration of hope

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*To glorify God and make Him known*

Dear ODPC Family and Friends,

What a faithful, loving God we serve! At Ocean Drive Presbyterian Church, we have witnessed our faithful Father guiding us through the years. Reaffirming our core beliefs, we established a new direction of ministry in 2016 with the Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians (ECO). In the short time with ECO, we've welcomed 400 new members and baptized 172 individuals with reaffirmation or faith in Jesus Christ. As God prepares us for more opportunities of missions and ministry in 2024, we ask that you partner with us through His church.

Jesus said, "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Matt. 6:21) What is your greatest treasure – your family, your home, your bank account? Or is it your relationship with God? "This is how God showed His love for us: God sent His only Son into the world so we might live through Him." (1 John 4:19) Your relationship with Jesus is founded in the Father's love for you. As the body of Christ, we have the joy of sharing in His Kingdom's work with our time, our talents, and with the giving of our tithes and offerings.

Mature discipleship involves stewardship. All that we are, and everything that we have, belongs to God. And He has appointed us stewards, or managers, over His blessings. God says, "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it." (Malachi 3:10) The "whole tithe" is 10% of your income. If you have never tithed, this may seem overwhelming. God challenges us to trust Him and to test Him, so that we may enjoy His richest blessings. So, begin today with what you can give in proportional giving, but know this: you can't outgive God!

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight. Honor the Lord from your wealth and from the first of all your produce; so your barns will be filled with plenty and your vats will overflow with new wine." (Proverbs 3:5-6, 9-10) As you trust in the Lord and believe He will supply all of your needs, your heart and your treasure will become aligned, and you will be more like Him.

Over the next two weeks, I ask that you prayerfully consider your 2024 Love Gives commitment. As you make a faith covenant with God in answer to what God calls you to do, please complete the two enclosed cards. Putting your faith covenant in writing will remind you that your giving is a commitment to God, and that it is prioritized and planned. Keep one card for yourself and bring the other to present to the Lord during worship on Stewardship Sunday, November 12. If you



Two identical 2024 Love Gives commitment cards are shown side-by-side. Each card features the "2024 Love Gives" logo at the top. Below the logo is a section titled "I/we prayerfully commit to step out in faith and pledge the following tithes and offerings:" followed by a line for "Name" and a line for "Address". There are fields for "City, State", "Zip Code", "EMail", and "Phone". A section titled "I plan to give:" contains two checkboxes: one for "S \_\_\_\_\_ Weekly" and one for "S \_\_\_\_\_ Month". Below these checkboxes is a line for "Signature" and a small note: "This is not a contract; it is a statement of your intentions." The right side of the card is identical to the left.

*...give what you have decided in your heart to give...*

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