

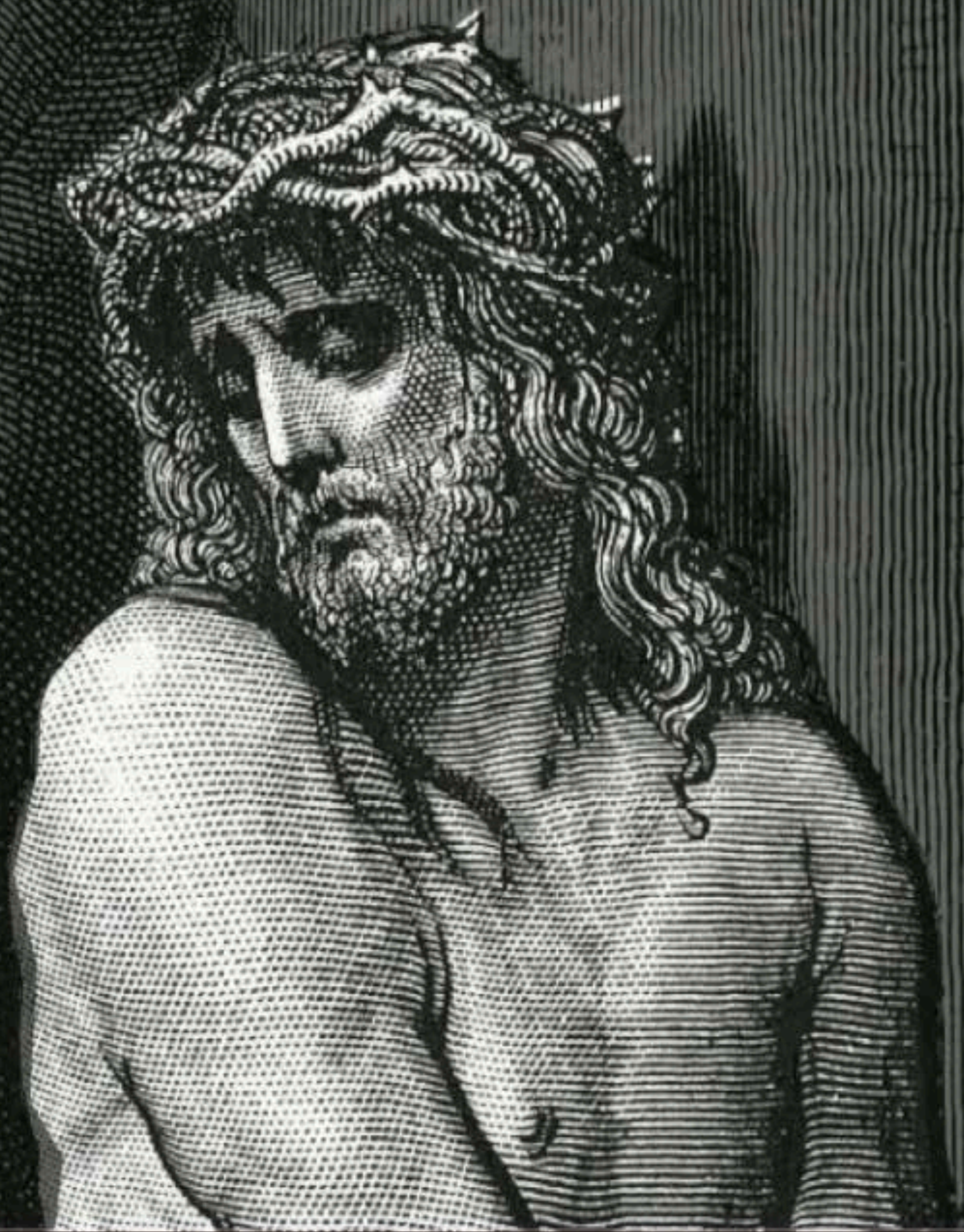
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TO THE CROSS

in the Gospel of Mark

Mk. 14:27-31, 66-72, 16:7



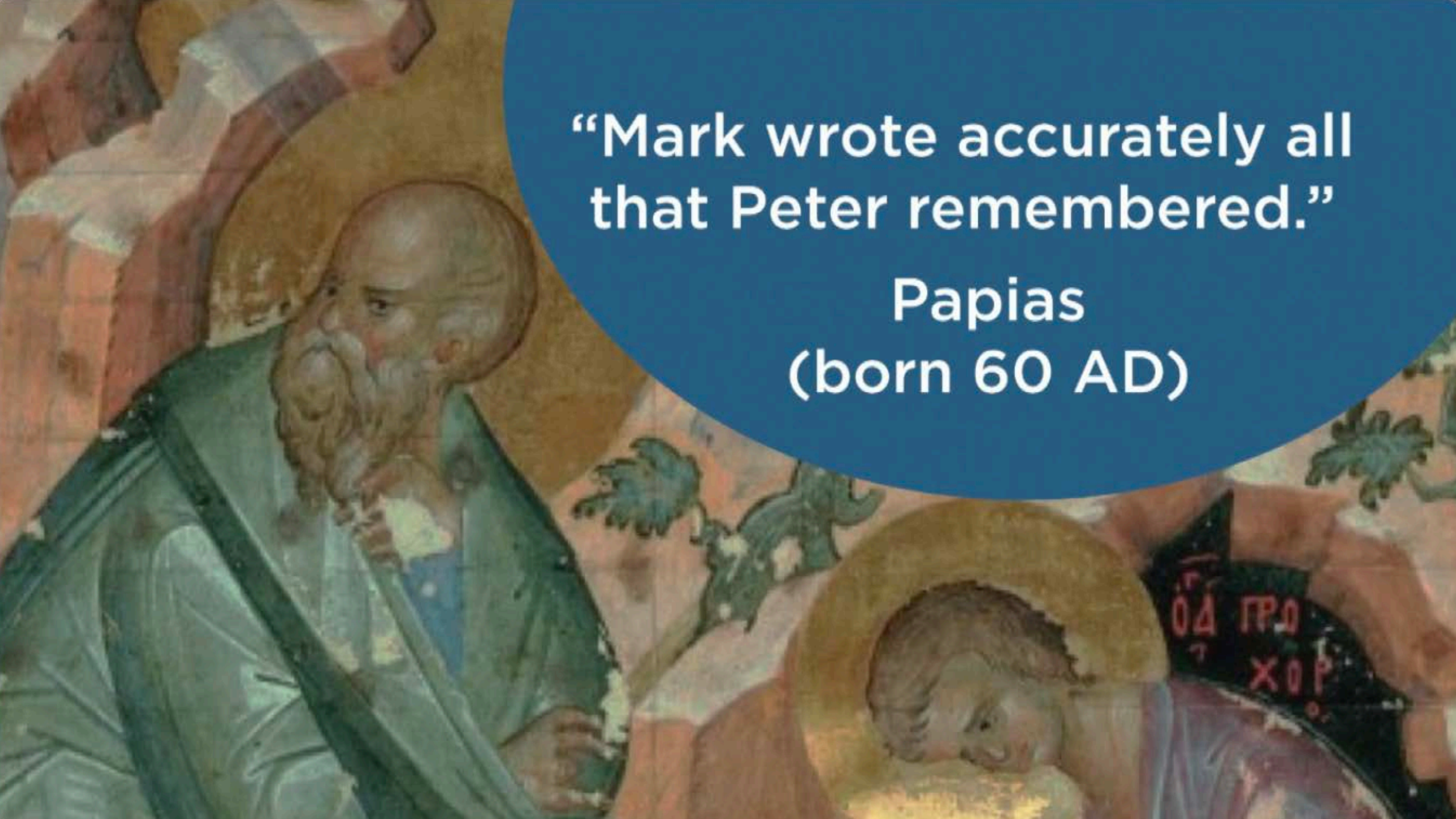








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“Mark wrote accurately all
that Peter remembered.”

Papias
(born 60 AD)

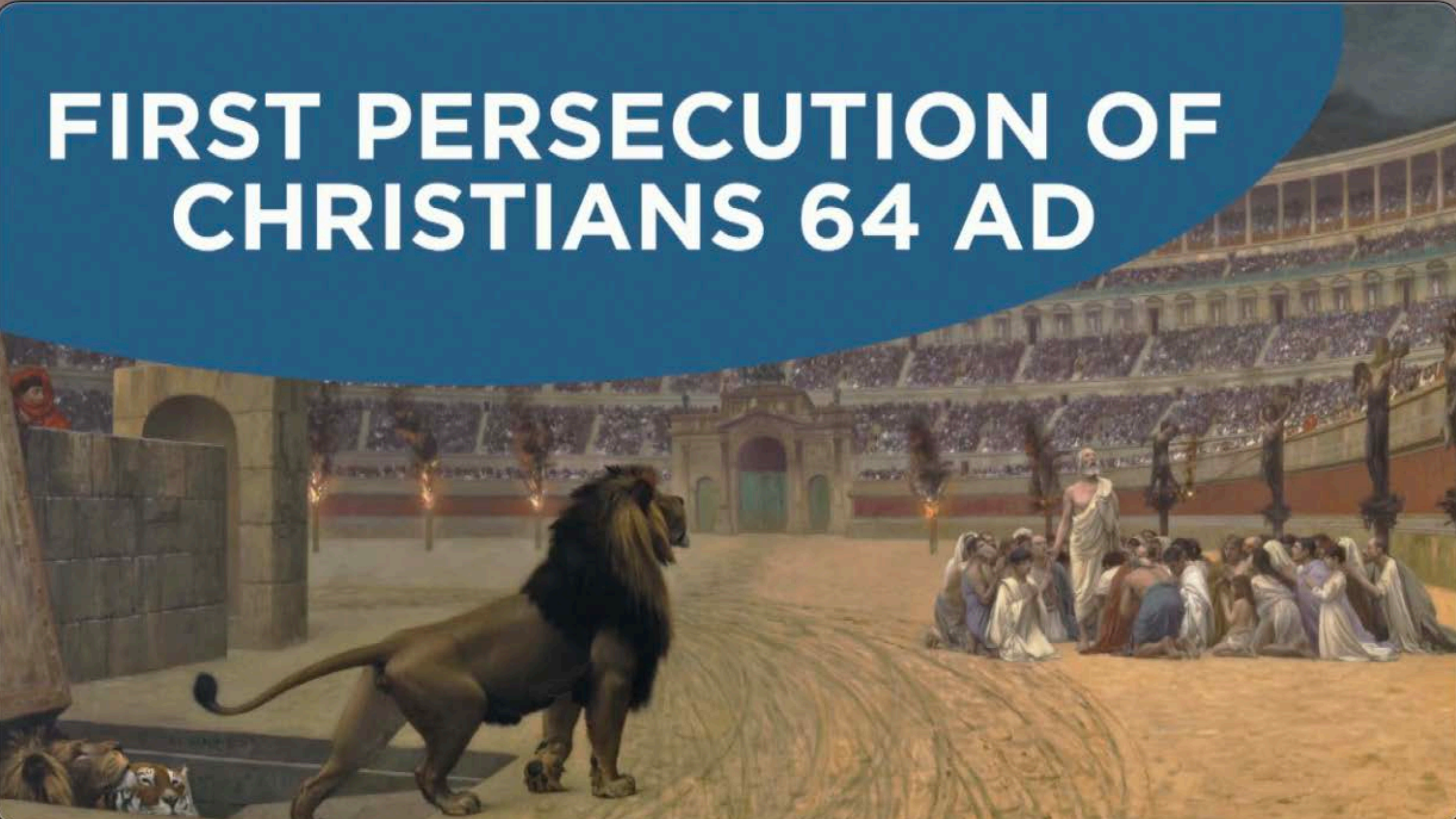



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HOW TO SHOW AND RECEIVE GRACE

On the way, Jesus told them, “All of you will desert me. For the Scriptures say, ‘God will strike the Shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.’ But after I am raised from the dead, I will go ahead of you to Galilee and meet you there.” *(Mark 14:27,28, NLT)*

THREE COMMON REASONS WE FAIL

**1. I OVERESTIMATE
MY STRENGTH**

Peter said to him, “Even if everyone else deserts you, I never will.”

(Mark 14:29, NLT)

Jesus replied, “I tell you the truth,
Peter — this very night, before the
rooster crows twice, you will deny
three times that you even know me.”

(Mark 14:30, NLT)

“No!” Peter declared emphatically.

“Even if I have to die with you, I will never deny you!” And all the others vowed the same.

(Mark 14:31, NLT)

2.1 FEAR DISAPPROVAL







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She looked at him closely and said,
“You were one of those with Jesus of
Nazareth.” But Peter denied it.

(Mark 14:67b-68a, NLT)

“I don’t know what you’re talking about,” he said, and he went out into the entryway. Just then, a rooster crowed. *(Mark 14:68b, NLT)*

When the servant girl saw him standing there, she began telling the others, “This man is definitely one of them!” But Peter denied it again.

(Mark 14:69-70, NLT)

**Whose opinion matters to
you more than God's?**

3. I SPEAK FROM INSECURITY AND EXHAUSTION

A little later some of the other bystanders confronted Peter and said, “You must be one of them, because you are a Galilean.”

(Mark 14:70b, NLT)

Peter swore, “A curse on me if I’m lying — I don’t know this man you’re talking about!” And immediately the rooster crowed the second time.

(Mark 14:71-72a, NLT)

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*“He began to
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(Mark 14:71-72a, NIV)



THREE KEY CONCEPTS FOR RECOVERY

GRIEVE

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Suddenly, Jesus' words flashed through Peter's mind: "Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny three times that you even know me." And he broke down and wept.

(Mark 14:72, NLT)

**To get past it you have to
go through it**

“Hitting bottom”

GATHER

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(Mary Magdalene) went to the disciples, **who were together grieving and weeping**, and told them what had happened. *(Mark 16:10, NLT)*

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