

THE FIRST BOOK OF MOSES, CALLED
GENESIS

CHAPTER I

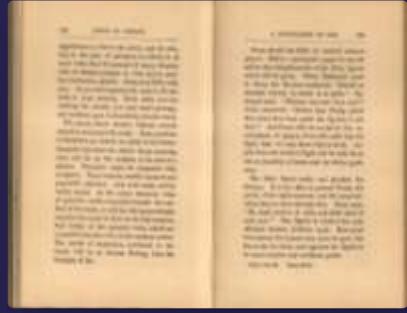
CHAPTER 1
In the beginning God ^bcreated ^cthe
heaven and the earth.
And the earth was ^dwithout form,
and darkness was upon
the deep. And the ^eSpirit
moved upon the face of the
said, ^fLet there
be light.

And God said, "Let there be light;
and there was light.
And God saw the light, that it was
good: and God divided the light from
the darkness,
and God called the light
"day".

13 And the evening and the morning were the third day.

14 And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days and years.

15 And let the firmament be a partition between the waters.



Never should the Bible be studied without **prayer**. Before opening its pages we should ask for the enlightenment of the Holy Spirit, and it will be given.

STEPS TO CHRIST, 91.1



IMAGE: CHRIST OF THE NARROW WAY
ELLEN G. WHITE ESTATE. PAINTING BY ELFRED LEE.



Mary Anointing the Feet of Jesus

21. Many observations, several hours
ago in the the town, which
was
21 Jesus answered and said
2200

8. **Black Sheep** means: Badly educated people, especially young ones, who have no knowledge or education.

9. And the remaining people became
impatient, and understood their
misfortune, and when Peter
spoke, he said with much
warmth, he sent forth this messenger, and then
strung those instruments, and
tunited up their voices.

10. Then with him to his servants,
The wedding is ready, but they

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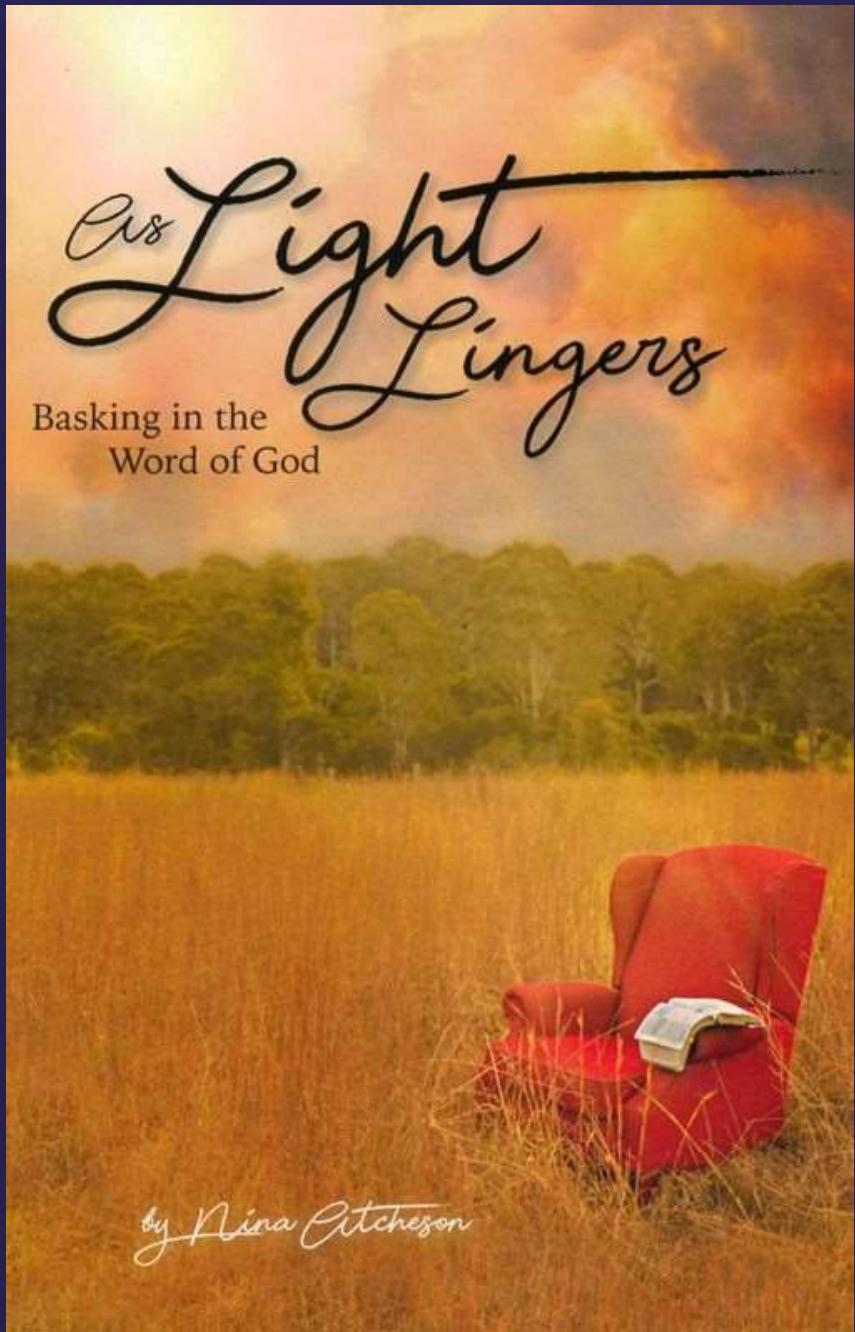
Here we may learn the true way to
live, the safe way to die.

1 MCP 97.4



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biblos
“the books”

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τὰ βιβλία τὰ ἁγία



As Light Lingers

Basking in the Word of God

It's easy to fill our lives with all the "important" things while subconsciously dismissing the most important thing—spending time with our loving God who wants to be close to us.

When you open your Bible, where do you start? Perhaps you've asked these questions: Where do I start in my Bible? Is there any difference between reading and studying—or "basking in"—the Bible? How can I get to know the Person behind the words on the pages of my Bible?

Whatever you experience of faith or life circumstances, you will find encouragement, advice, and practical strategies in *As Light Lingers*. In this book, you will discover how basking in the power of God's Word will make you want to linger with God—because time with Him is so sweet.



Nina Atcheson

Nina Atcheson works as the Adventist Identity Officer for Adventist Schools Australia. But she is also a writer and now published author. She talked about her new book and how spending time with the Bible can change our lives.

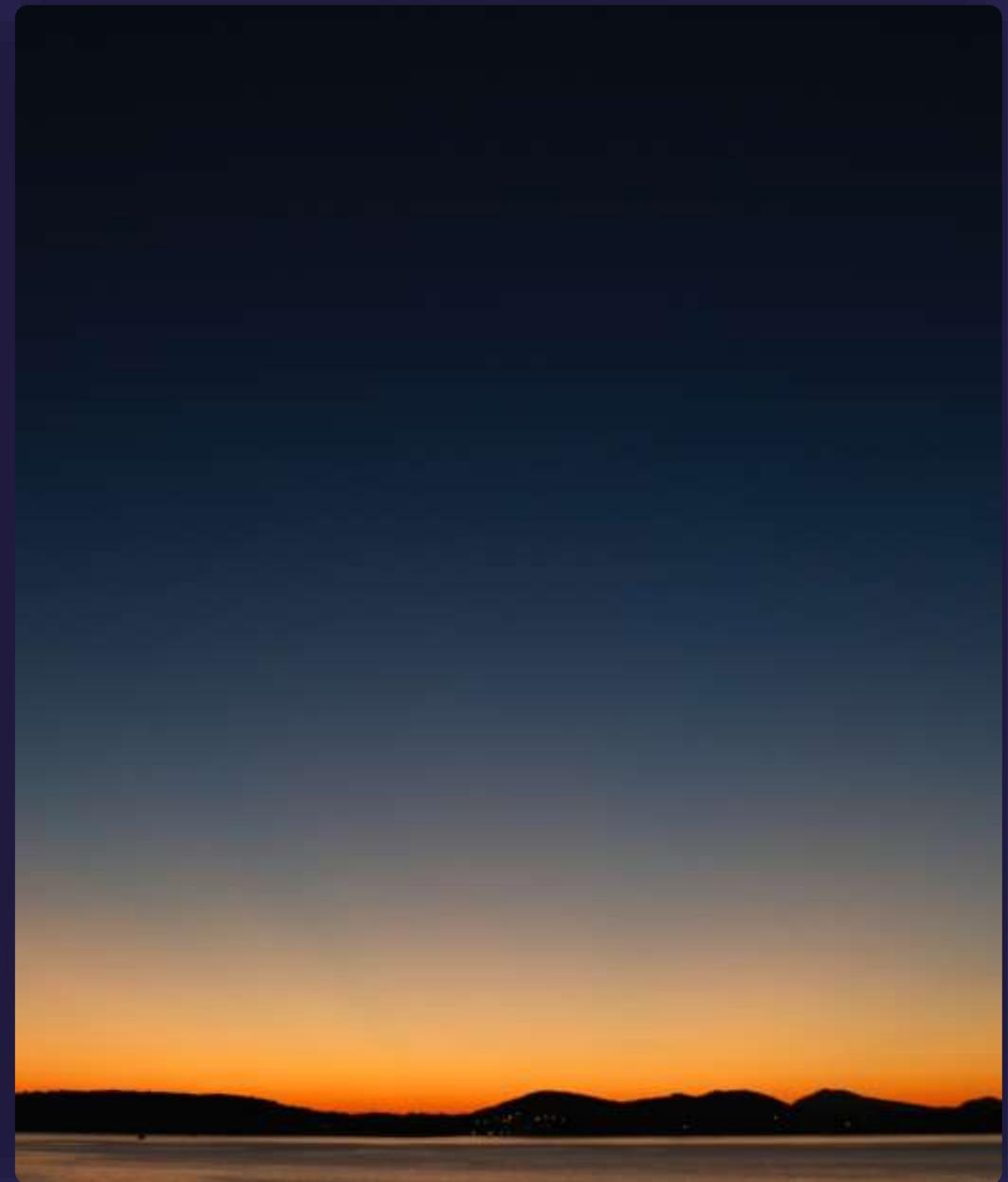
- I'm really **too busy** right now (I don't have time to read the Bible)
- Life is too full and **I'm always so tired** (when I open my Bible I always doze off...)
- **I get distracted** when I try to read my Bible (I think of other things, so it's a bit pointless)
- The Bible is **out of date and irrelevant** (it doesn't have anything to say about what I'm going through right now...)
- Actually, it feels like **I've heard it all before**... What could I possibly learn?
- **I'm just not a reader.**

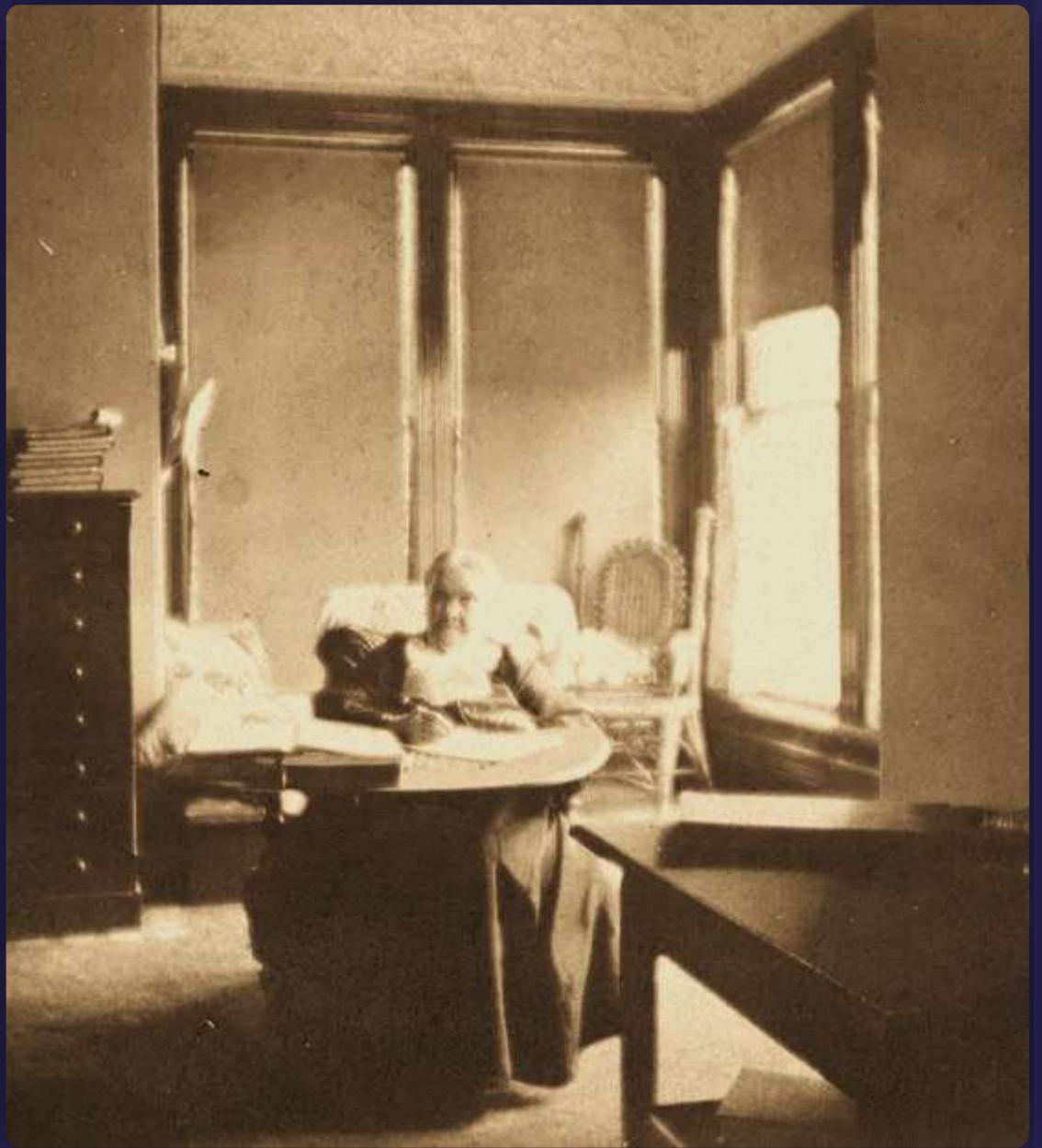
The Lord GOD hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary: He wakeneth morning by morning, He wakeneth mine ear to hear as the learned.

ISAIAH 50:4

From hours spent with God He came forth morning by morning, to bring the light of heaven to men. Daily He received a fresh baptism of the Holy Spirit. In the early hours of the new day the Lord awakened Him from His slumbers, and His soul and His lips were anointed with grace, that He might impart to others.

Christ's Object Lessons, 139.1





It may be difficult for you to love to study the word of God at once, when you have not been in the habit of studying it, but God will help you. Pray for His forgiveness for neglecting His holy word so long, and then beg of the Lord to give you love and interest in His Word, be in earnest in the matter. When I lose my love for the Bible I am alarmed. I know that I do not love Jesus if I do not love to search the Book that testifies of Him.

Ellen G. White, YI, June 1, 1856 par. 9

Moses

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IMAGE: LEVITICUS SCROLL IN PALEO-HEBREW
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OUTLINE: “MOSES, THE LONE LEARNER”

1. Personal encounter

The experience of Moses from Egypt to the wilderness

Journaling (simple)

2. The Bible as a whole

The use of cross-references and marginal notes

Some lessons from our pioneers

3. The central theme of Scripture

The last days of Moses

The Gospel

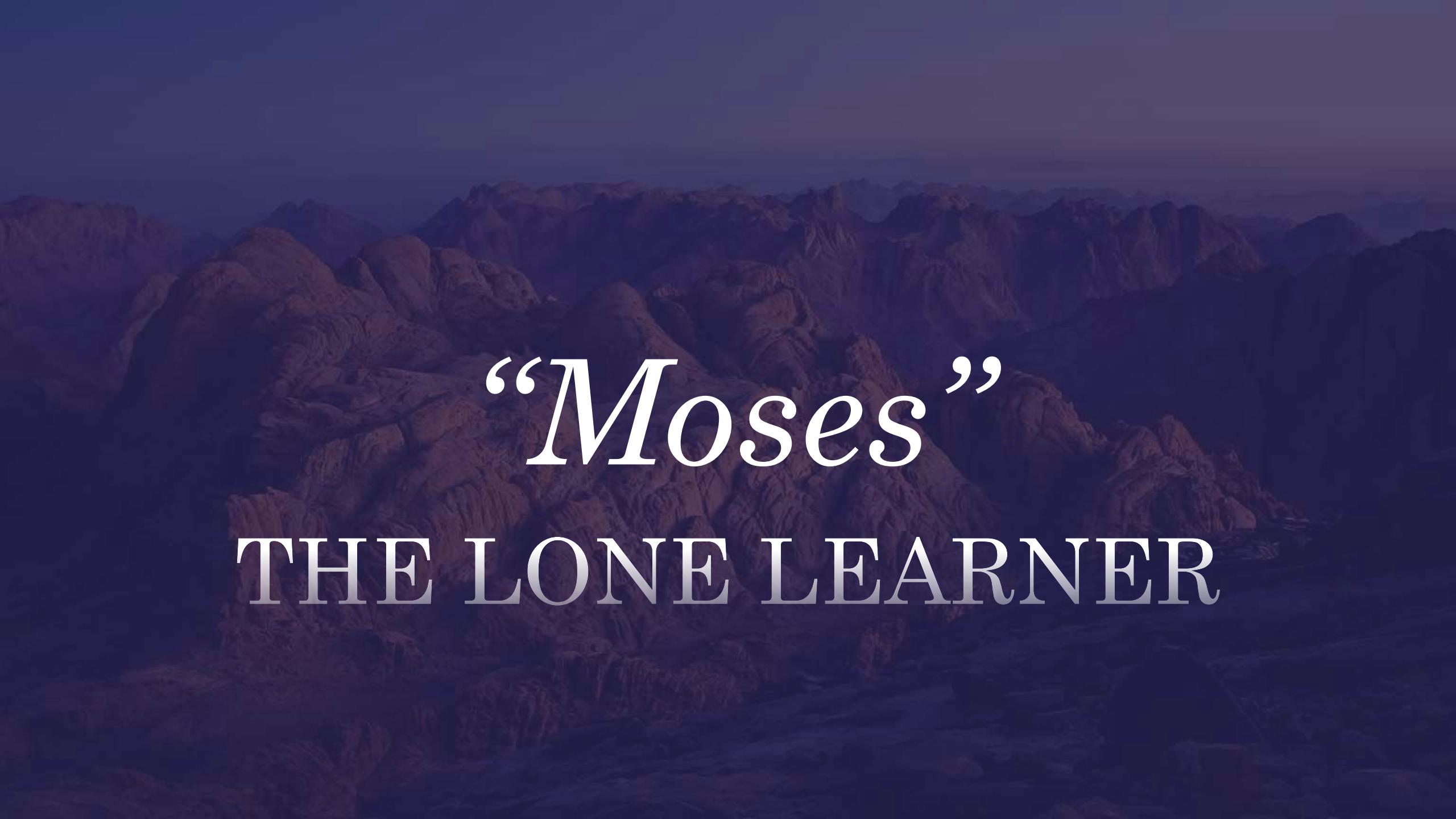




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“Moses” THE LONE LEARNER

But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh,
and dwelt in the land of Midian: and he
sat down by a well.

EXODUS 2:15



And the shepherds
came and drove
them away: but
Moses stood up and
helped them, and
watered their flock.

EXODUS 2:17

Now Moses **kept the flock** of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, even to Horeb.

EXODUS 3:1



And the Angel of the
LORD appeared unto
him in a flame of fire out
of the midst of a bush...

EXODUS 3:2



THE JEWISH MUSEUM; PAINTING BY JAMES TISSOT

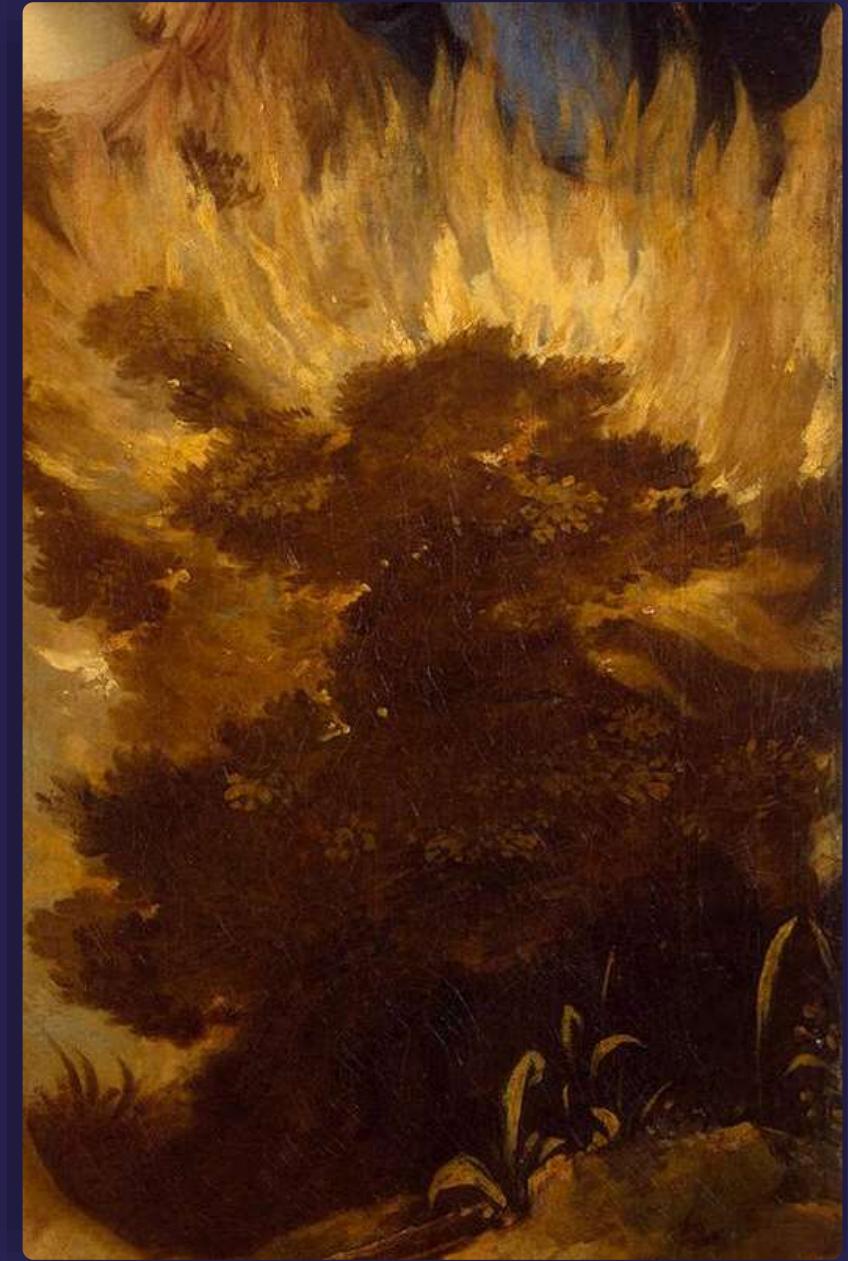
What does this tell us about God?

- God calls us by name
- God is holy
- God reveals to us who He is
- God assures us that He sees
- He assures us that He hears
- He assures us that He knows
- He shows us what He is doing and will do
- He is our Deliverer (Saviour)
- He gives you a reason to trust
- God notices the injustices
- God invites us to share in His work
- He leads us
- He will be with us



What does this tell us about God?

- HE IS [I Am that I Am]
- He will equip us
- He gives instruction
- He gives a message of hope
- God reveals how He will save
- God requires total surrender
- God bears long with us



A sense of the power and wisdom of God and of our inability to comprehend His greatness, should inspire us with humility, and we should open His Word, as we would enter His presence, with holy awe. When we come to the Bible, reason must acknowledge an authority superior to itself, and heart and intellect must bow to the great I AM.





At the court of Pharaoh, Moses received the highest civil and military training. The monarch had determined to make his adopted grandson his successor on the throne, and the youth was educated for his high station.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 245.1

His ability as a military leader made him a favorite with the armies of Egypt, and he was generally regarded as a remarkable character.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 245.1

And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in words and in deeds.

ACTS 7:22



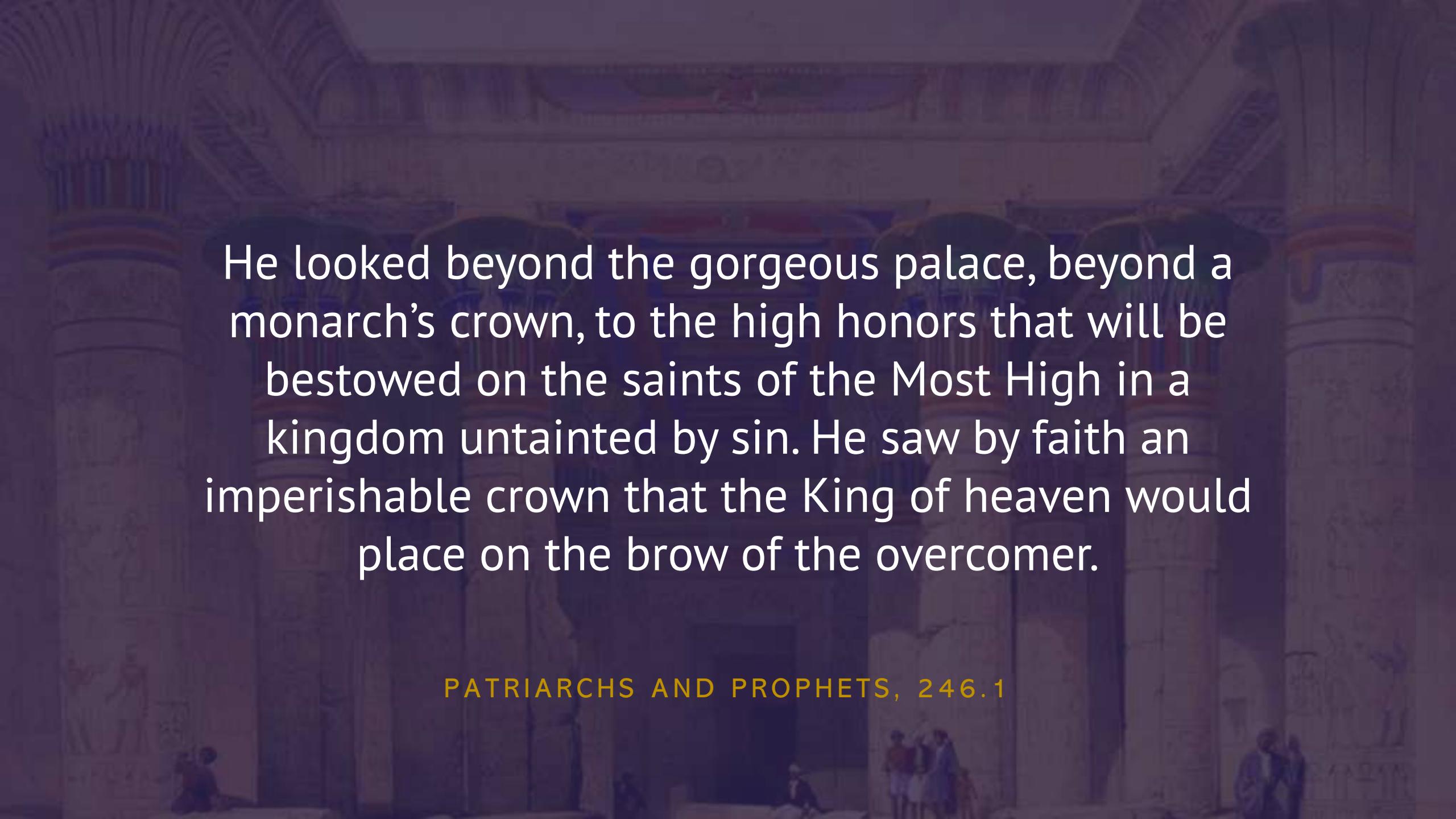
Jochebed
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She showed him the folly and sin of idolatry, and early taught him to bow down and pray to the living God, who alone could hear him and help him in every emergency.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 243.4

By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompense of the reward.

HEBREWS 11:24-26



He looked beyond the gorgeous palace, beyond a monarch's crown, to the high honors that will be bestowed on the saints of the Most High in a kingdom untainted by sin. He saw by faith an imperishable crown that the King of heaven would place on the brow of the overcomer.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 246.1



“...lesson of faith...—not to rely upon human strength or wisdom, but upon the power of God for the fulfillment of His promises.”

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 247.3

Time, change of surroundings, and communion with God could remove these impressions.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 248.1

School of self-denial and hardship

Patience | Obedience before governance | Harmony with God
| Knowledge by experience | Care-taking | Self-forgetfulness |
Tender solicitude | Compassion | Longsuffering

The great motive powers of the soul are **faith, hope, and love**; and it is to these that Bible study, rightly pursued, appeals.

EDUCATION, 192.1

In order to convince others of the power of Christ's grace, we must know its power in our own hearts and lives. **The gospel we present for the saving of souls must be the gospel by which our own souls are saved.**

THE MINISTRY OF HEALING, 469.3

Shut in by the bulwarks of the mountains,
Moses was alone with God.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 248.3

“Acquaint now yourself with Him.”

JOB 22:21



When the mind of man is brought into communion with the mind of God, the finite with the Infinite, the effect on body and mind and soul is beyond estimate. **In such communion is found the highest education.** It is God's own method of development. "Acquaint now thyself with Him" (Job 22:21), is His message to mankind.

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES, 126.1



MOSES A SHEPHERD.



IMAGE: TRADITIONAL MOUNT SINAI
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Moses had been learning much
that he must unlearn.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 248.1



In the solemn grandeur of the everlasting hills he beheld the majesty of the Most High... Everywhere the Creator's name was written. Moses seemed to stand in His presence and to be over-shadowed by His power.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 248.3

Here his **pride and self-sufficiency were swept away**. In the stern simplicity of his wilderness life, the results of the ease and luxury of Egypt disappeared. Moses became patient, reverent, and humble...yet strong in faith in the mighty God of Jacob.

Heavenly angels shed their light around him. Here, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, he wrote the book of **Genesis**. The long years spent amid the desert solitudes were rich in blessing, not alone to Moses and his people, but to the world in all succeeding ages.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 251.1

The long years amid desert solitudes were not lost. Not only was Moses gaining a preparation for the great work before him, but during this time, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, he wrote the book of **Genesis** and also the book of **Job**, which would be read with the deepest interest by the people of God until the close of time.

THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES, FEB. 19, 1880



THE GREAT
CONTROVERSY,
INTRODUCTION

The preparation of the written word began in the time of Moses. Inspired revelations were then embodied in an inspired book. This work continued during the long period of sixteen hundred years—from Moses, the historian of creation and the law, to John, the recorder of the most sublime truths of the gospel.



IMAGE: TRADITIONAL MOUNT SINAI
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Canst thou bind the sweet influences of
Pleiades, or loose the bands of Orion?

JOB 38:31

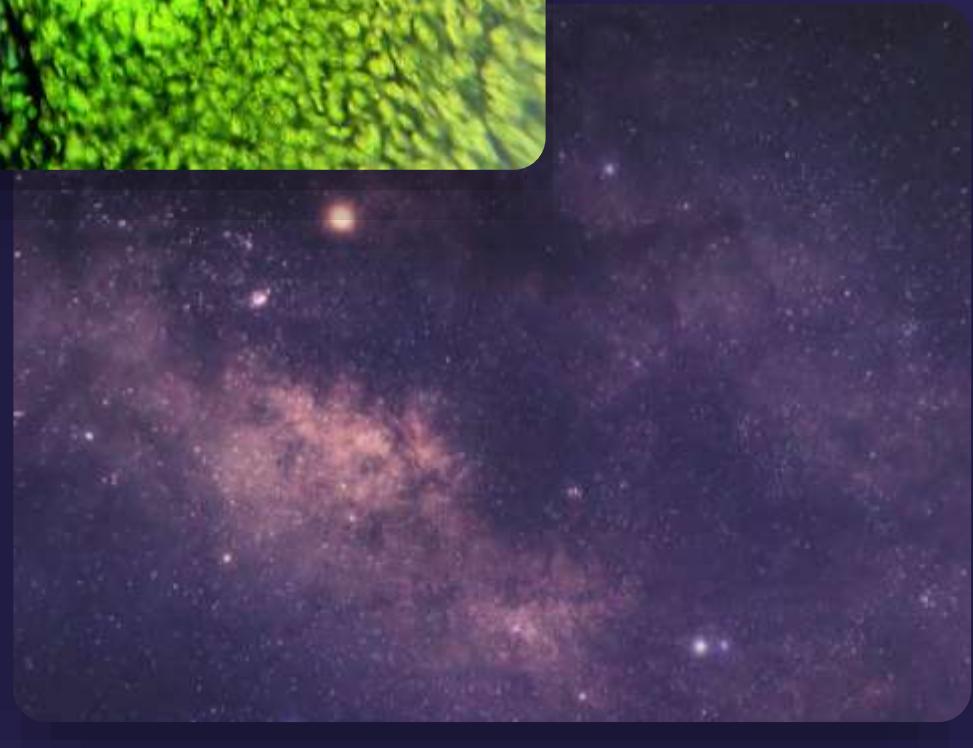
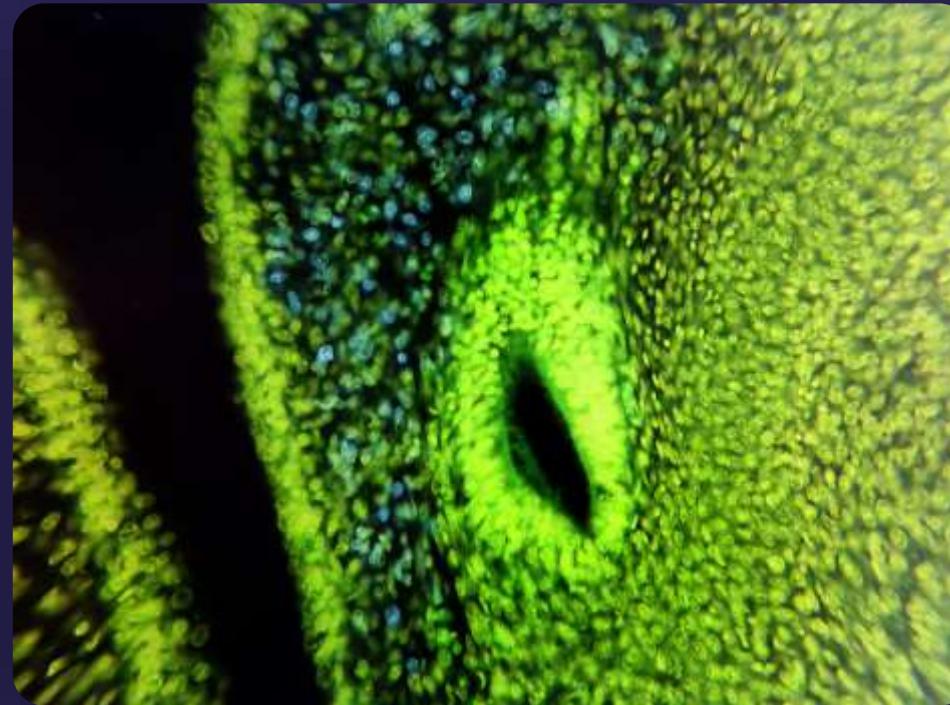


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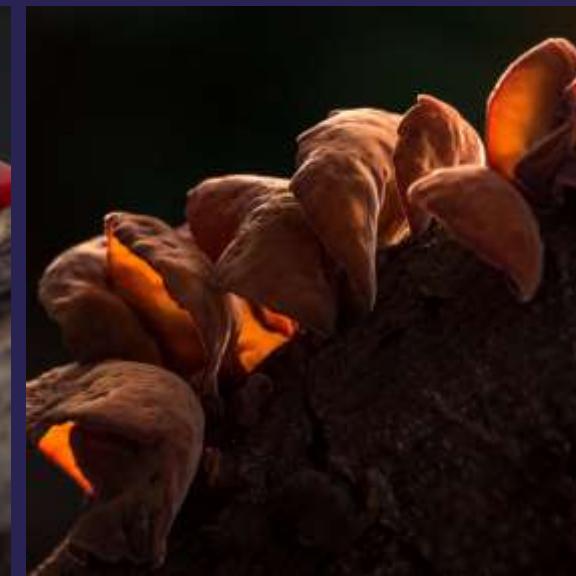


COLORS ADJUSTED TO MATCH THE EYES' PERCEPTION

There, when the veil that darkens our vision shall be removed, and our eyes shall behold that world of beauty of which we now catch glimpses through the microscope; when we look on the glories of the heavens, now scanned afar through the telescope ... the whole earth shall appear in “the beauty of the Lord our God,” what a field will be open to our study!



NATURE
OUR
TEXTBOOK



BOOK OF JOB

JOB

and a very great household; so that this man was the greatest of all "the men of the east." And his sons went and feasted in his houses, every one his day; and called for their three sisters and to drink with them. When he was so sanctified about the days of meetings, according to all, for Job said,

great household; so that
was the greatest of all ° the
and his sons went and feasted in
houses, and called for their three sisters
to eat and to drink with them. And it was so, when the days of
feasting were gone the morning, and
early in the morning, and
went about in the streets of them all: for Job said,
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God designed that nature should be to man a lesson-book to guide him from the path of disobedience back to God.

THE YOUTH'S INSTRUCTOR, MAY 6, 1897

Many, even in their seasons of devotion, fail of receiving the blessing of real communion with God. They are in too great haste. With hurried steps they press through the circle of Christ's loving presence, pausing perhaps a moment within the sacred precincts, but not waiting for counsel. They have no time to remain with the divine Teacher. With their burdens they return to their work.

These workers can never attain the highest success until they learn the secret of strength. They must give themselves time to think, to pray, to wait upon God for a renewal of physical, mental, and spiritual power. They need the uplifting influence of His Spirit. Receiving this, they will be quickened by fresh life. The wearied frame and tired brain will be refreshed, the burdened heart will be lightened.

Not a pause for a moment in His presence, but personal contact with Christ, to sit down in companionship with Him—this is our need.

The mind must be restrained and not allowed to wander.

It should be trained to dwell upon the Scriptures and upon noble, elevating themes. Portions of Scripture, even whole chapters, may be committed to memory to be repeated when Satan comes in with his temptations. The fifty-eighth chapter of Isaiah is a profitable one for this purpose. Wall the soul in with the restrictions and instructions given by inspiration of the Spirit of God.

It is not enough to know
what others have thought
or learned about the Bible.

EDUCATION, 188.1

The commentaries written about the Word do not all agree. Often they come into collision with one another. God does not ask us to be guided by them.

THE UPWARD LOOK, 52.3 (1982)

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In daily study the
verse-by-verse
method is often most
helpful.

EDUCATION, 189.4

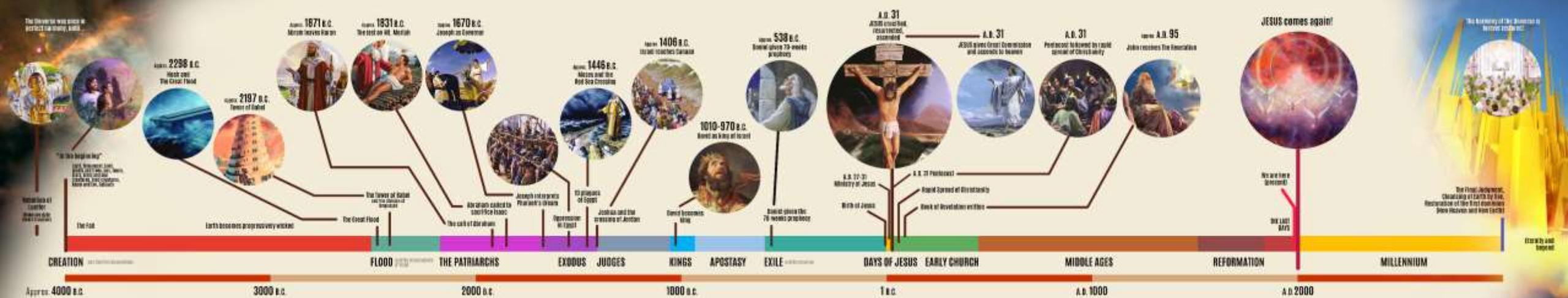
“Its study will be restricted to
no special time or place.”

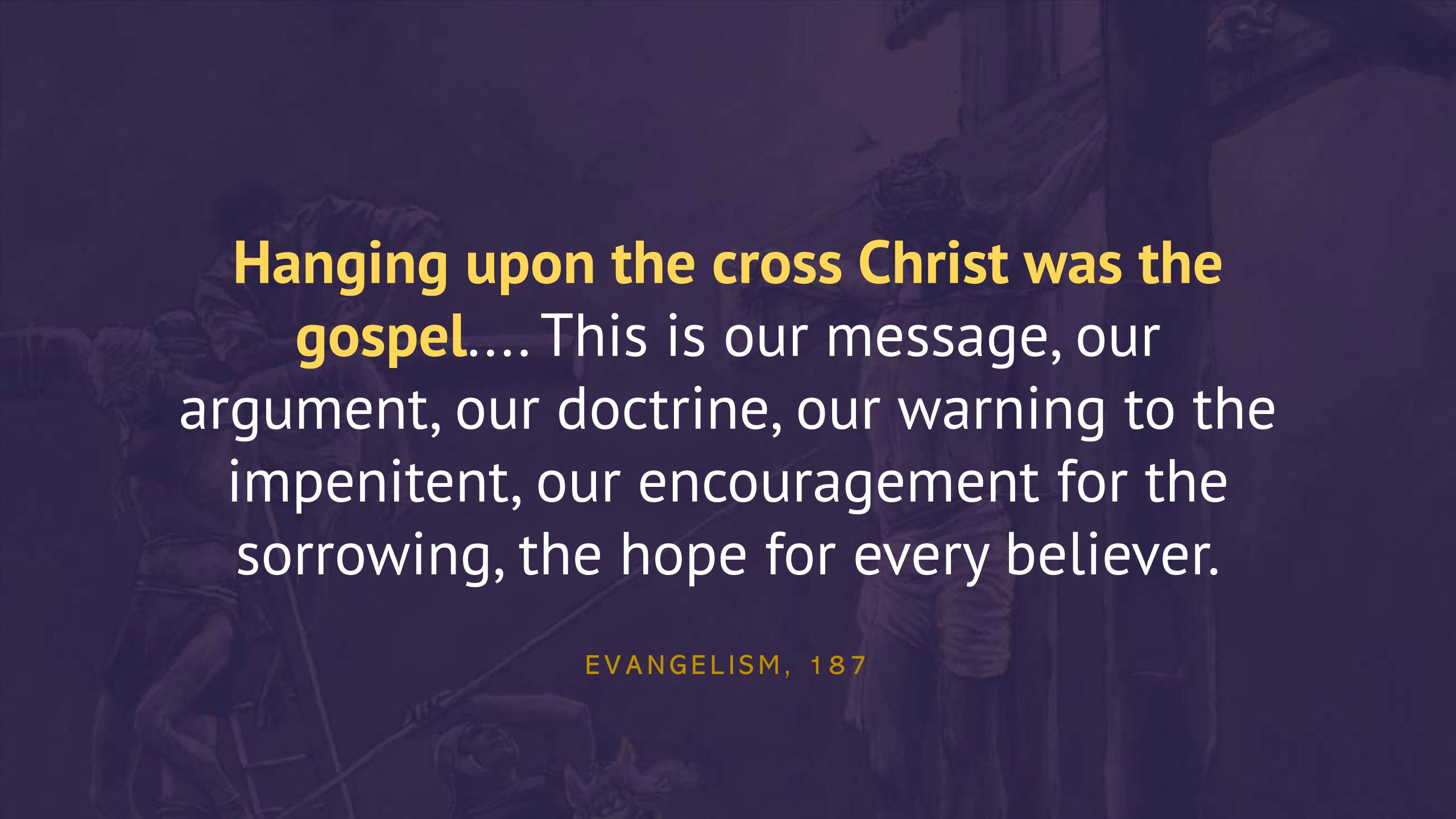
EDUCATION, 191.4

In the Word of God the mind finds subjects for
the deepest thought, the loftiest aspirations.
Here we may hold communion with patriarchs
and prophets and listen to the voice of the
Eternal as He speaks with men.

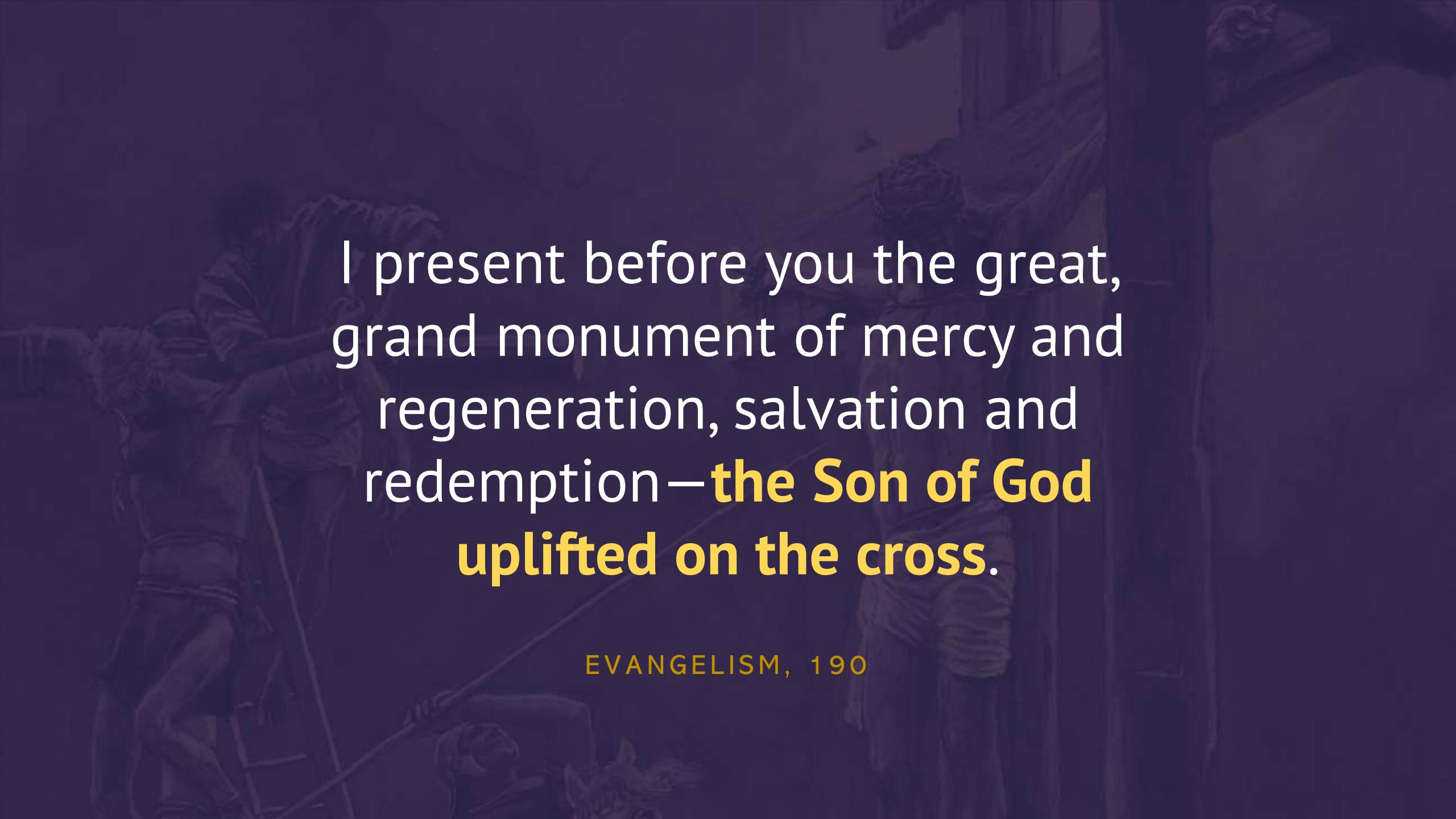
When we search the Word of God,
angels are by our side, reflecting bright
beams of light upon its sacred pages.

1 MCP 92.2



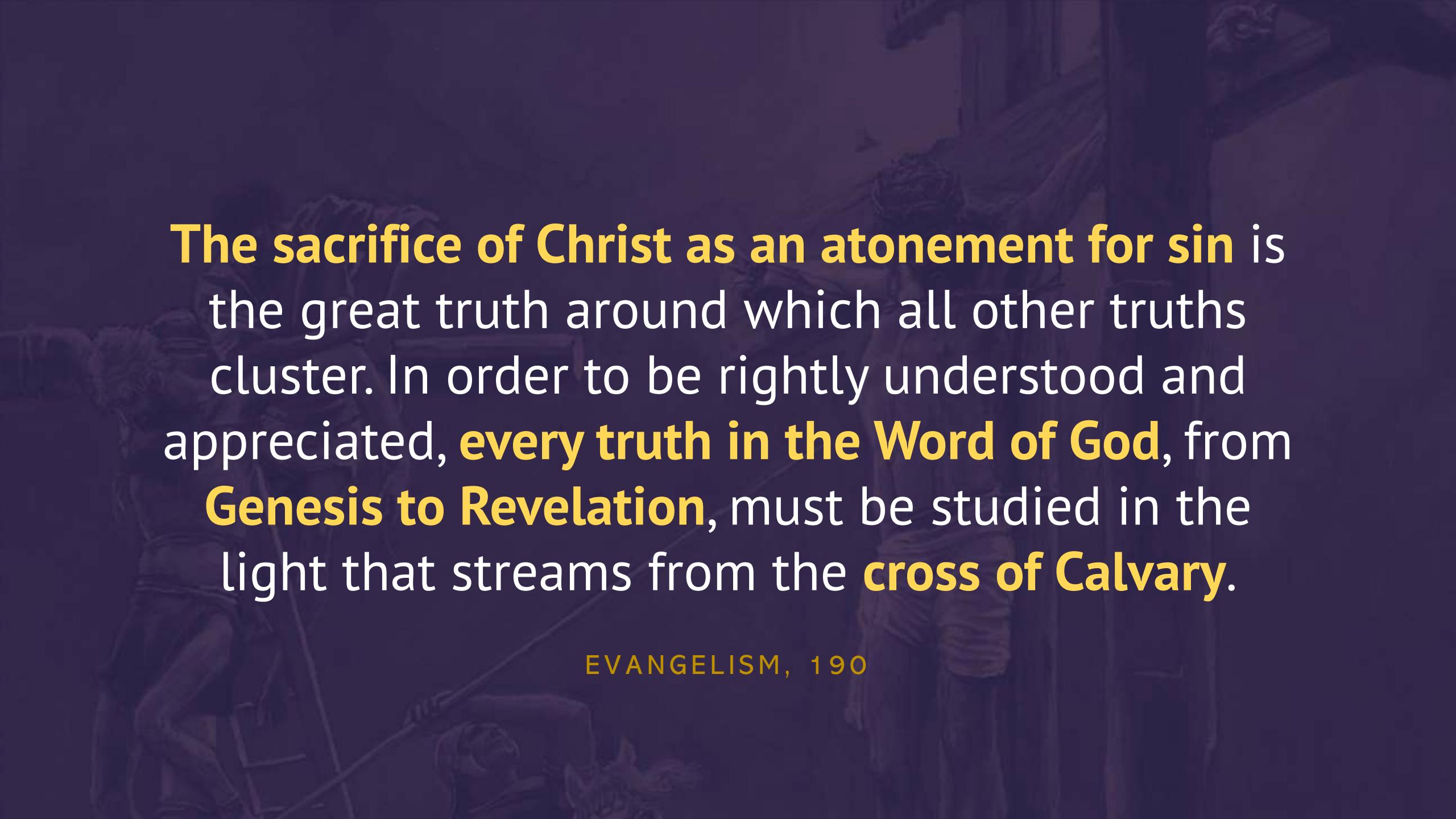


Hanging upon the cross Christ was the gospel.... This is our message, our argument, our doctrine, our warning to the impenitent, our encouragement for the sorrowing, the hope for every believer.

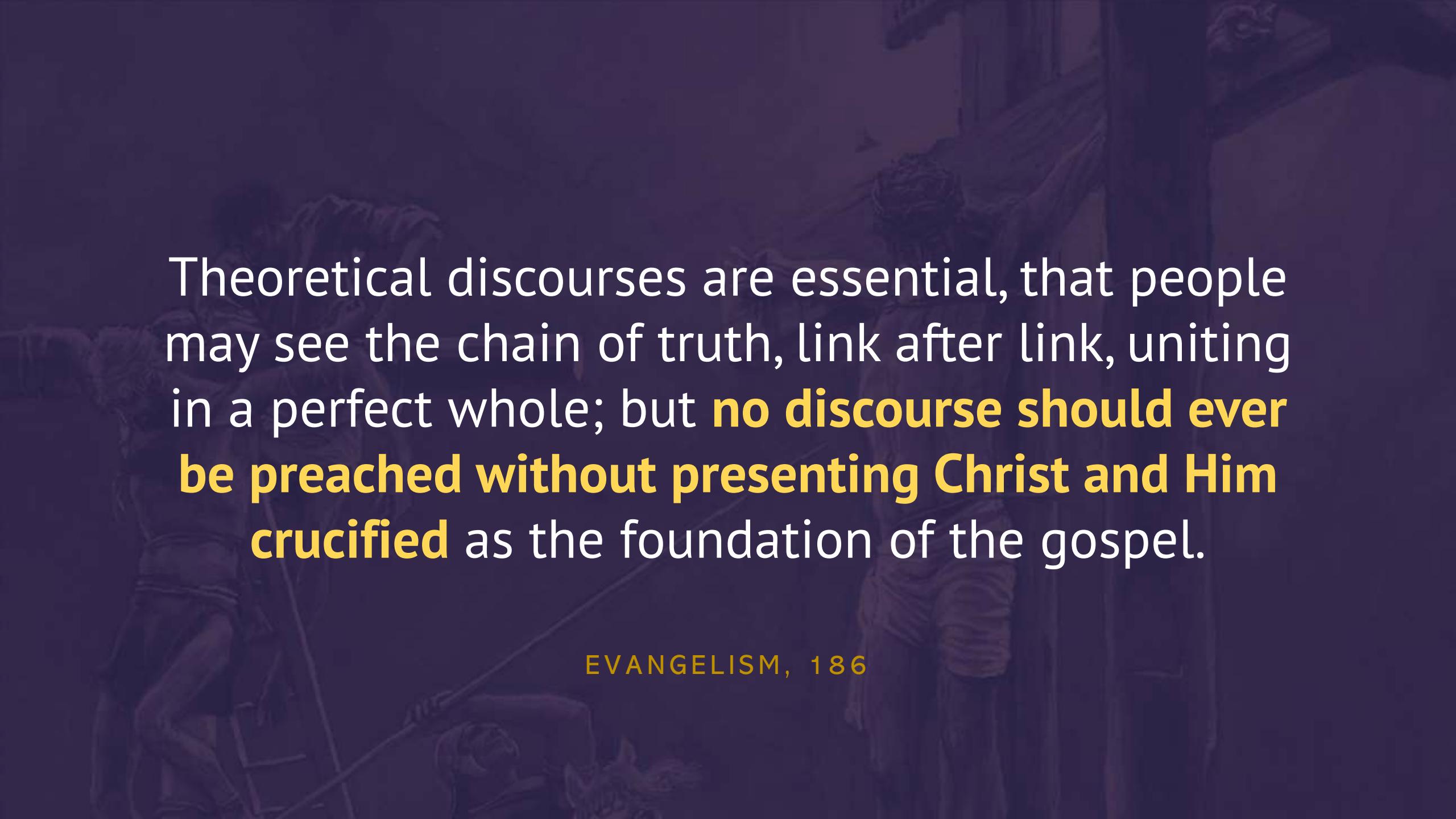
A dark, dramatic painting of Jesus on the cross. He is shown in a realistic style, with a crown of thorns and a body that appears to be in agony. A woman, possibly the Virgin Mary, stands to the left, looking up at him with a pained expression. A man, possibly John the Evangelist, stands to the right, also looking up at Jesus. The background is dark and indistinct, suggesting a night scene or a dimly lit outdoor setting.

I present before you the great,
grand monument of mercy and
regeneration, salvation and
redemption—**the Son of God**
uplifted on the cross.

EVANGELISM, 190



The sacrifice of Christ as an atonement for sin is the great truth around which all other truths cluster. In order to be rightly understood and appreciated, **every truth in the Word of God**, from **Genesis to Revelation**, must be studied in the light that streams from the **cross of Calvary**.



Theoretical discourses are essential, that people may see the chain of truth, link after link, uniting in a perfect whole; but **no discourse should ever be preached without presenting Christ and Him crucified** as the foundation of the gospel.

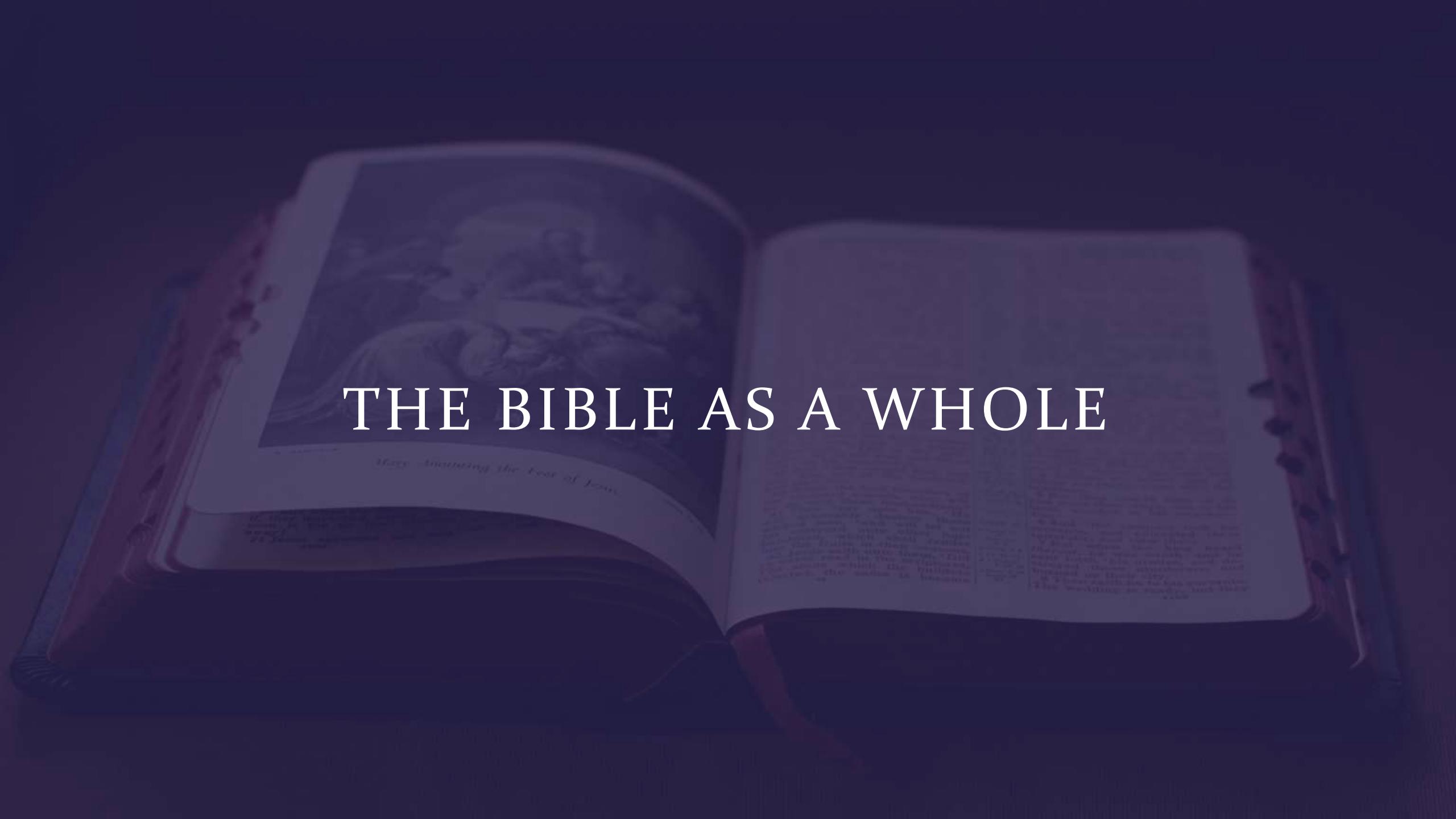
Nothing good for Him I've done;
How could He such love bestow?

Lord, I own my heart is won;
Help me now my love to show.

F. E. BELDEN

I will sing of Jesus' love,
Endless praise my heart shall give;
He has died that I might live,
I will sing His love to me

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THE BIBLE AS A WHOLE

“A revival in Bible study is
needed throughout the world.”

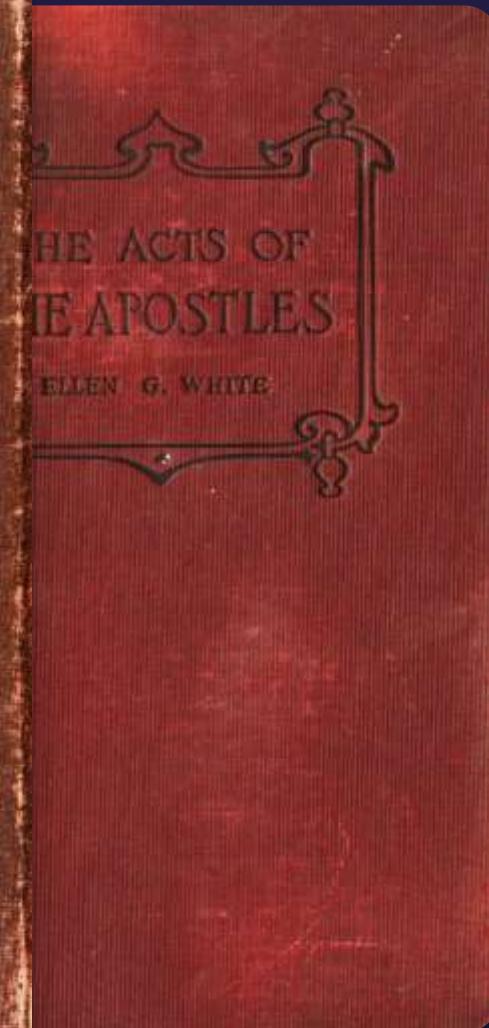
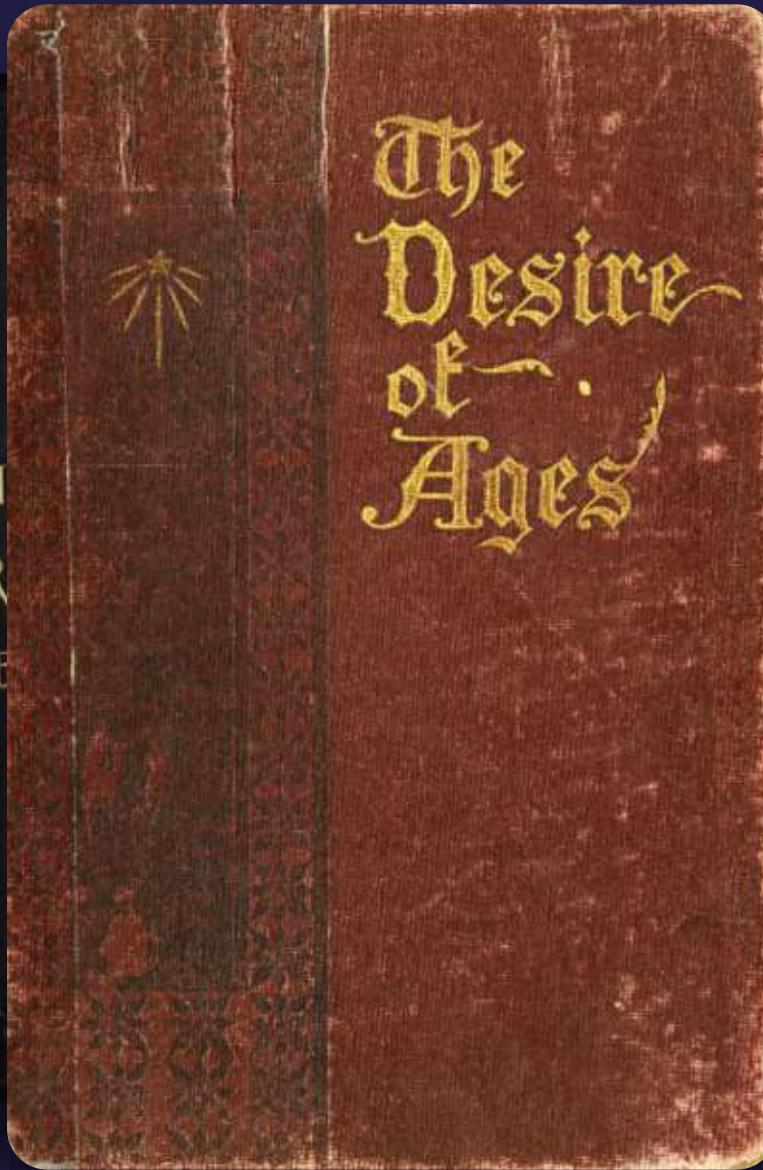
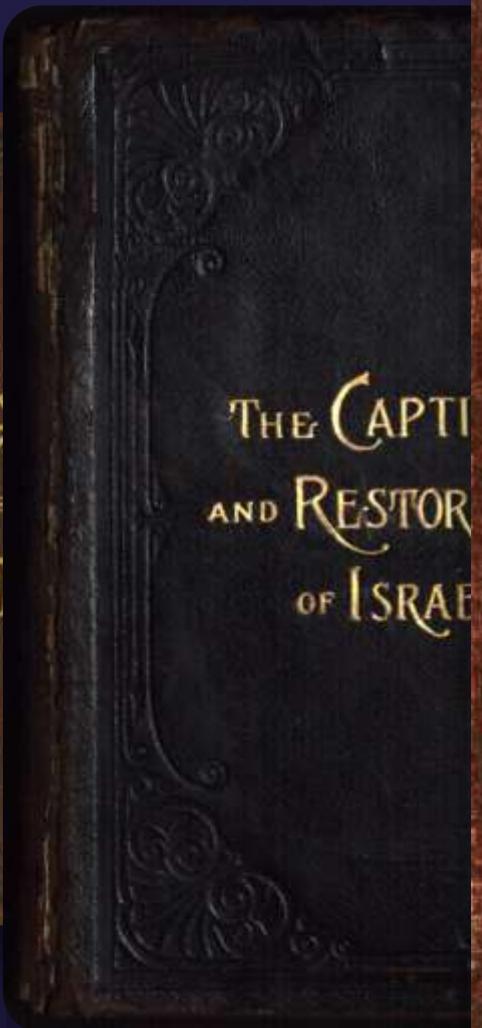
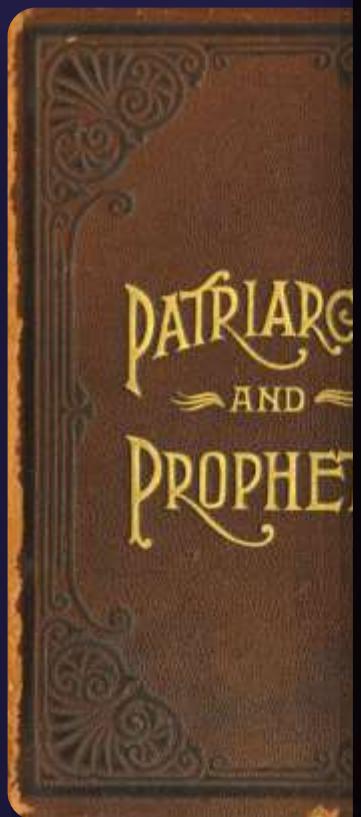
EVANGELISM, 456.1

With the immense tide of printed matter constantly pouring from the press, old and young form the habit of reading hastily and superficially, and the mind loses its power of connected and vigorous thought.

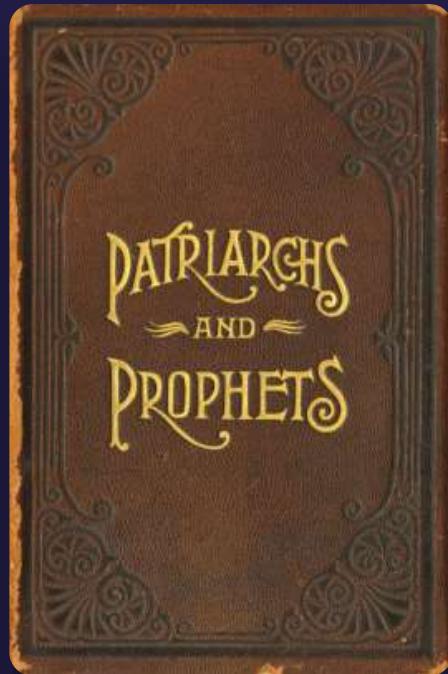
EDUCATION, 189.5



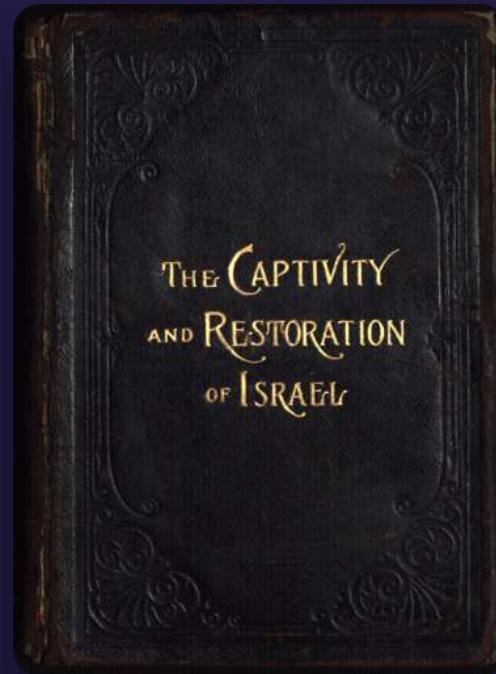
Almost all of the pioneers—such as Miller, the Whites, Andrews, Smith, Loughborough—were proficient with Bible history and chronology.



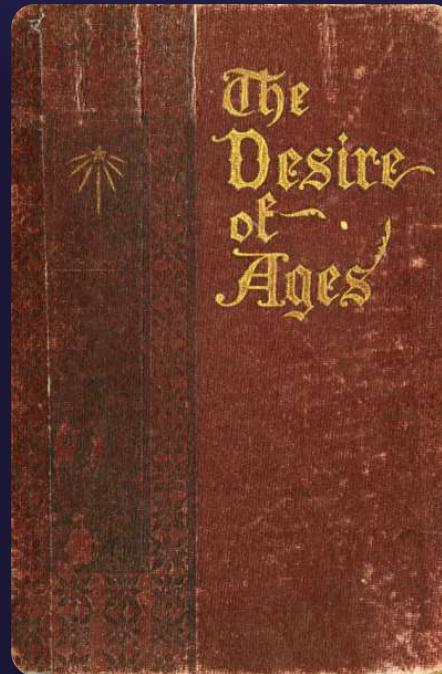
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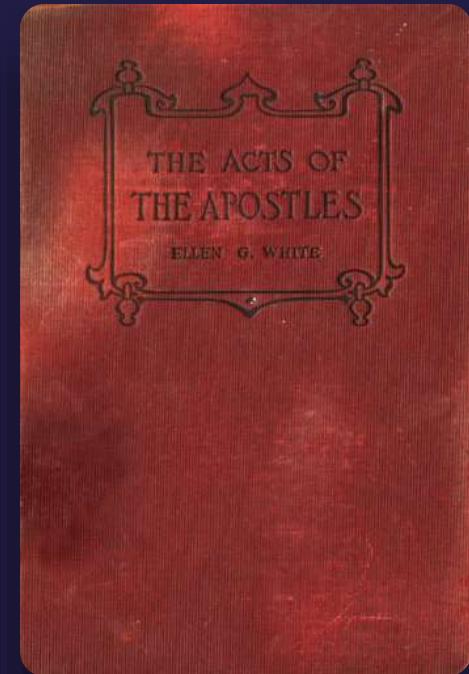
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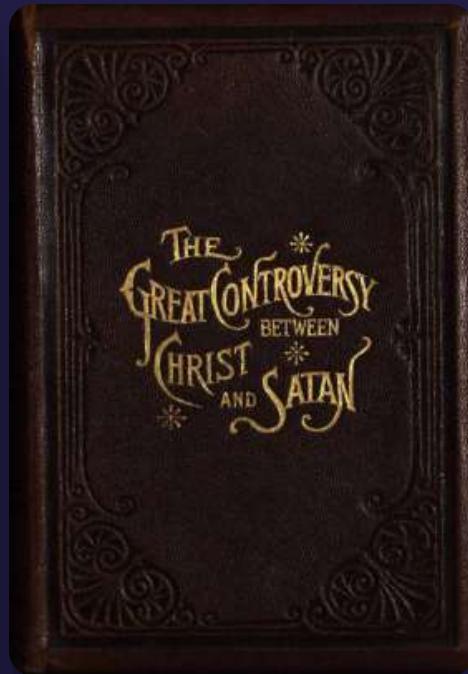
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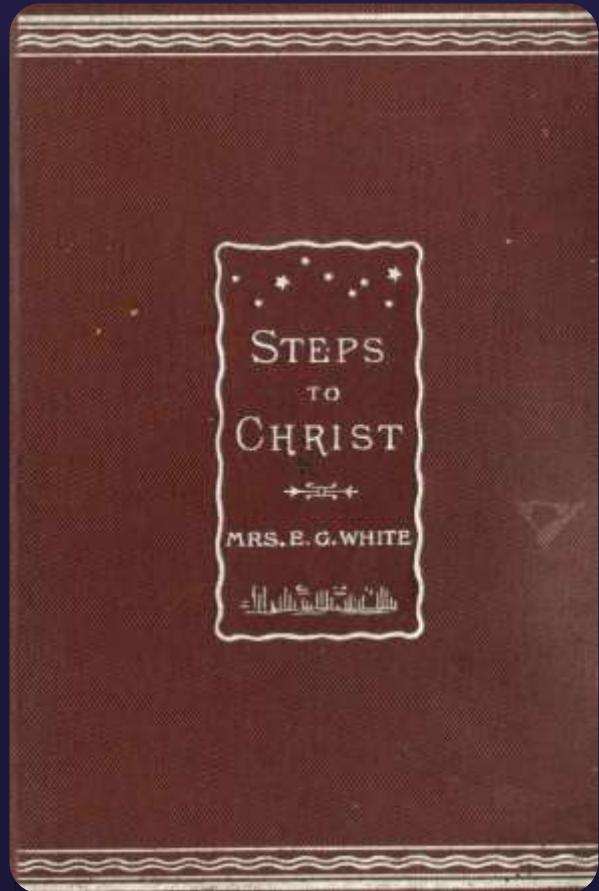
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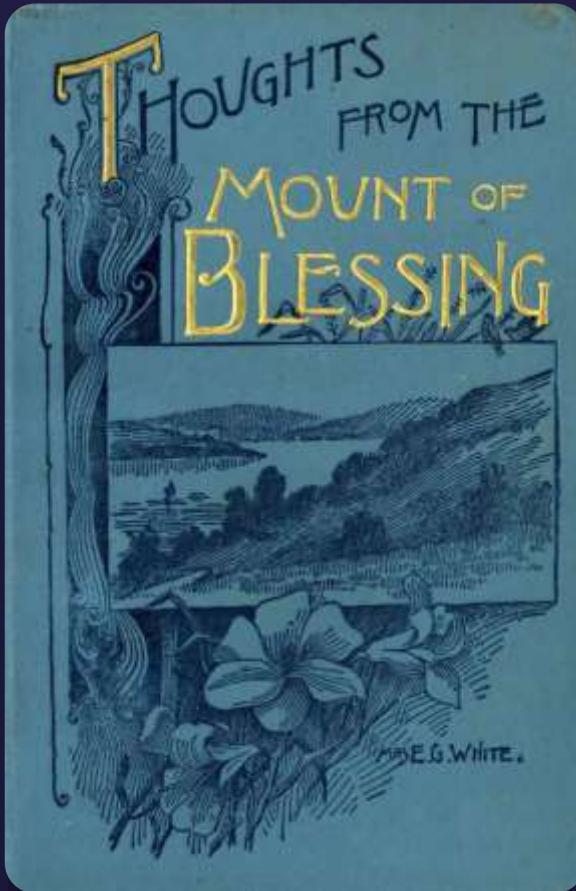
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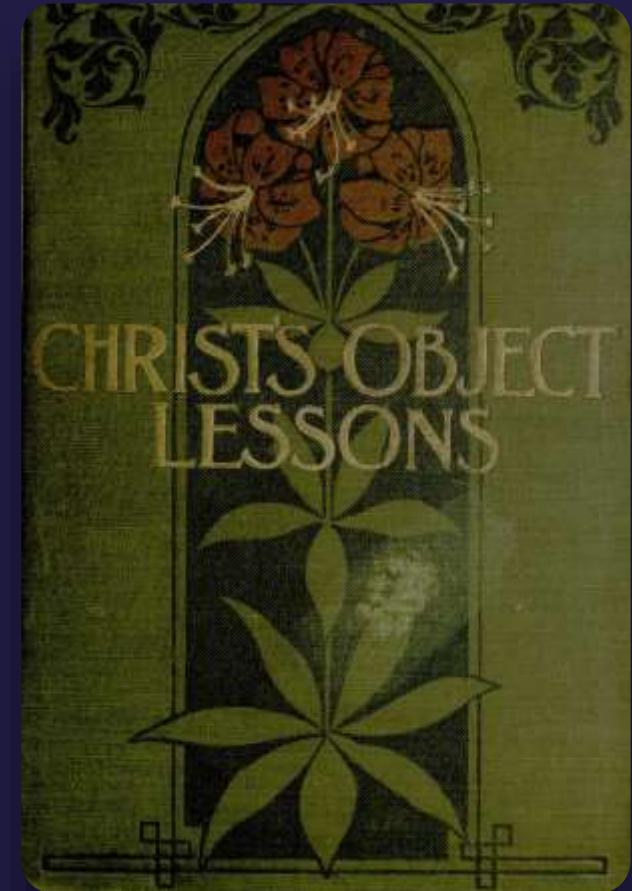
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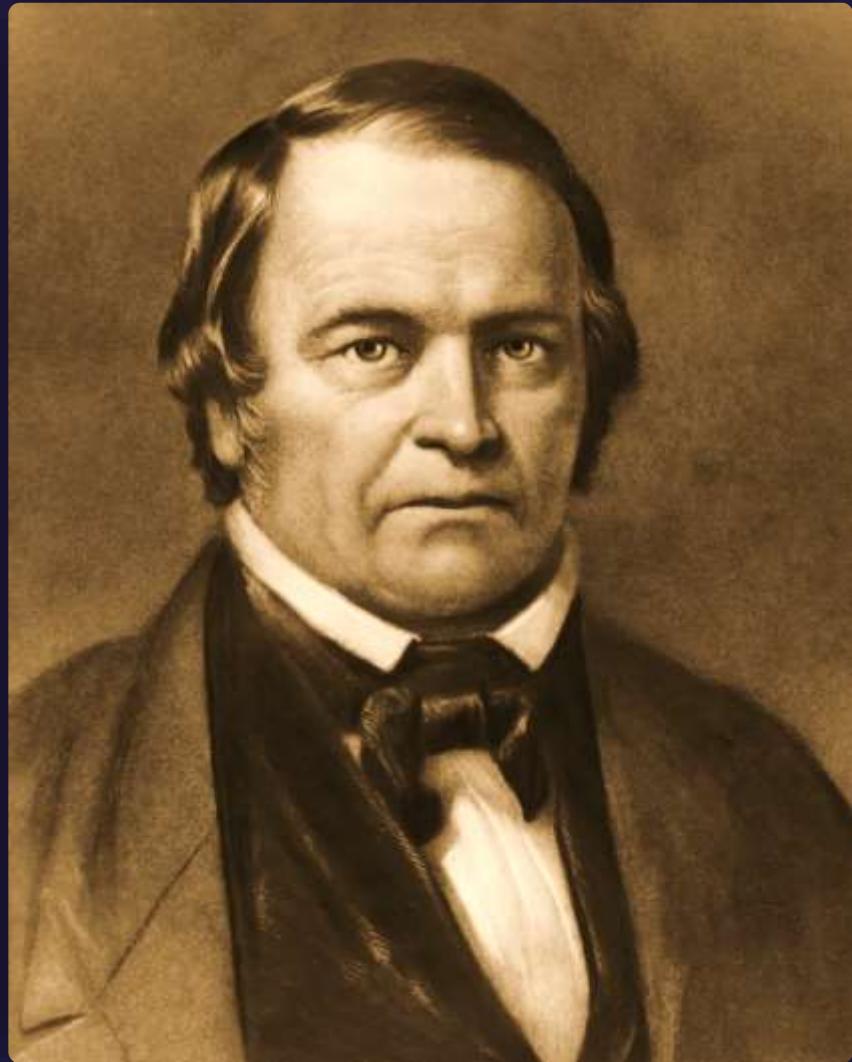
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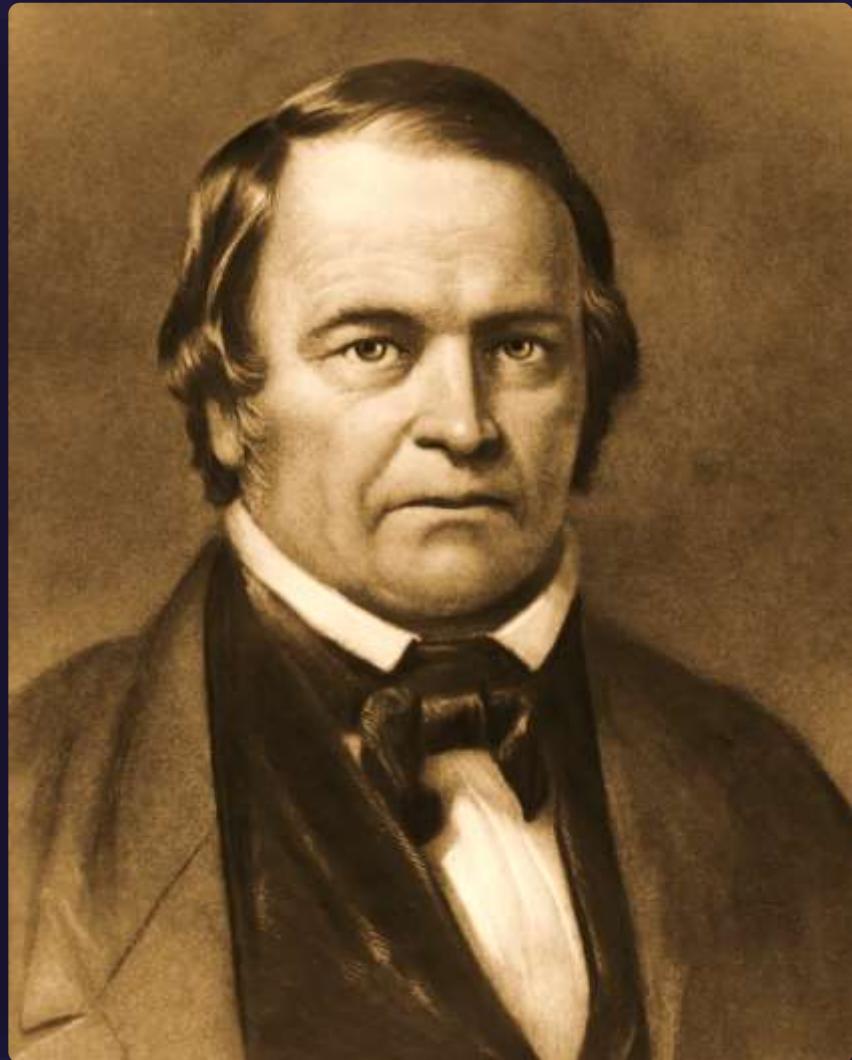
Sermon on the
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Parables



Endeavoring to lay aside all preconceived opinions, and dispensing with commentaries, he compared scripture with scripture by the aid of the marginal references and the concordance.



He pursued his study in a regular and methodical manner; beginning with Genesis... whenever he met with a passage hard to be understood he found an explanation in some other portion of the Scriptures.

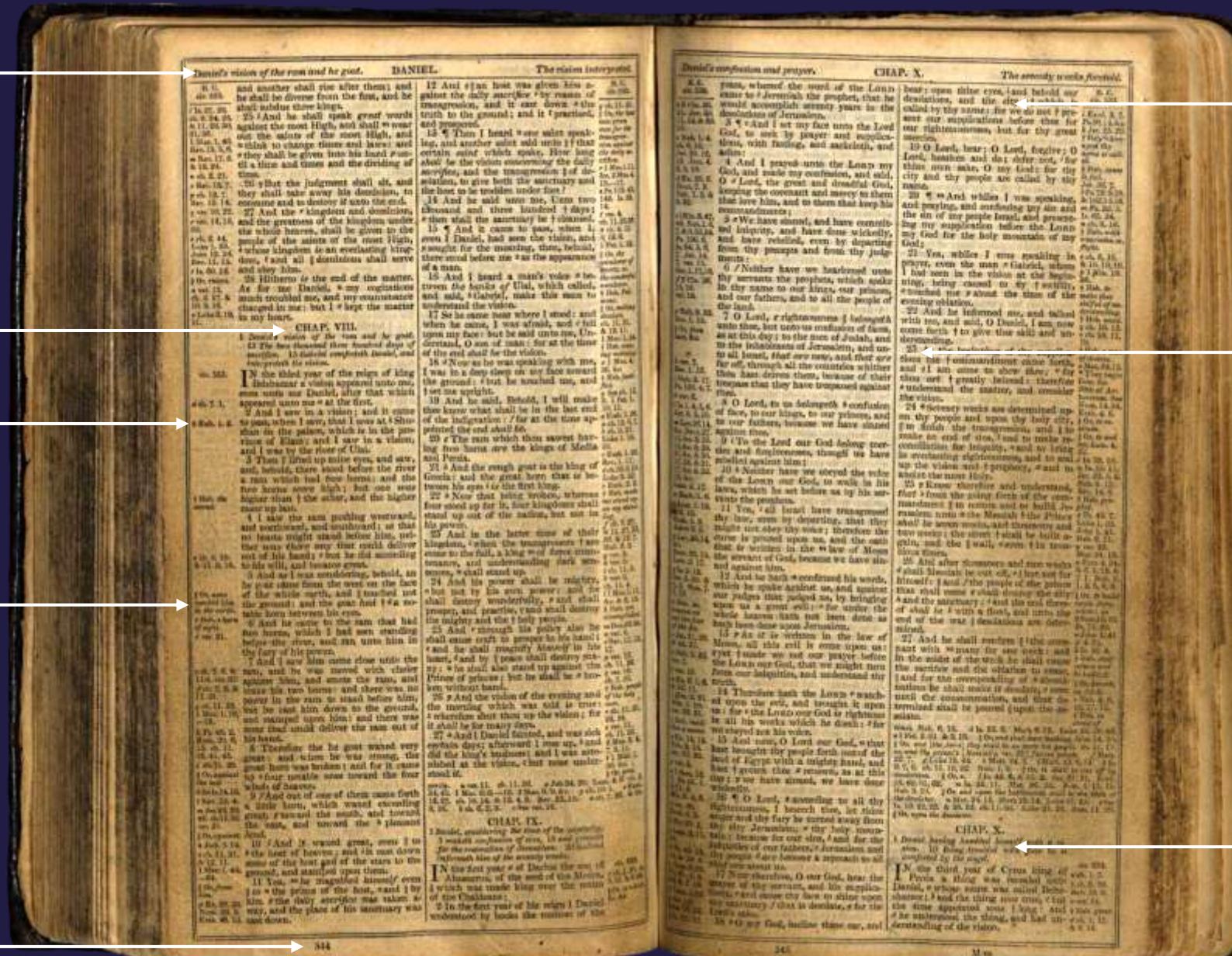
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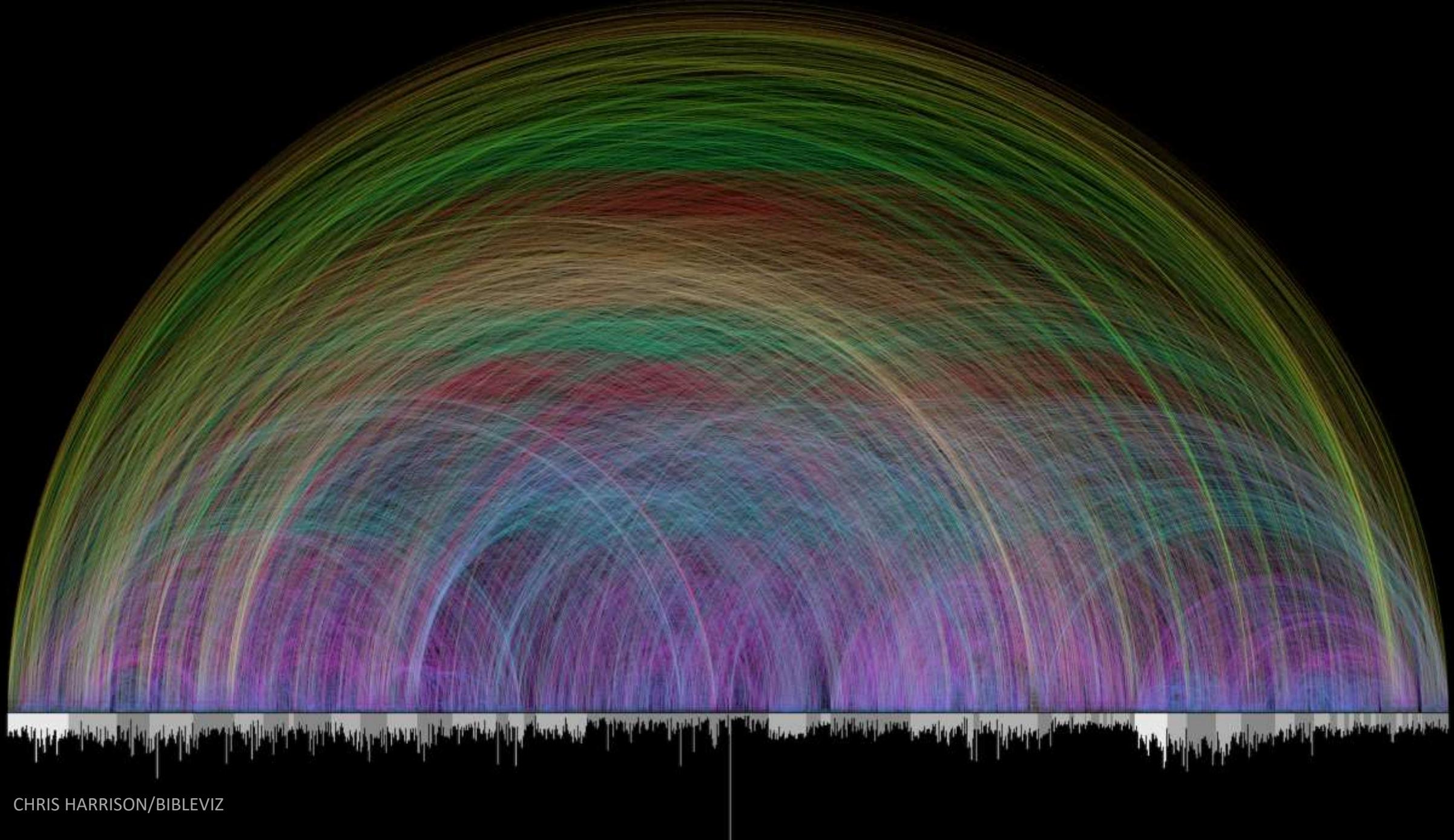
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PARTS OF A REFERENCE BIBLE

The Bible is its own expositor.
Scripture is to be compared with
scripture. The student should learn
to view the word as a whole, and to
see the relation of its parts.

EDUCATION, 190.2



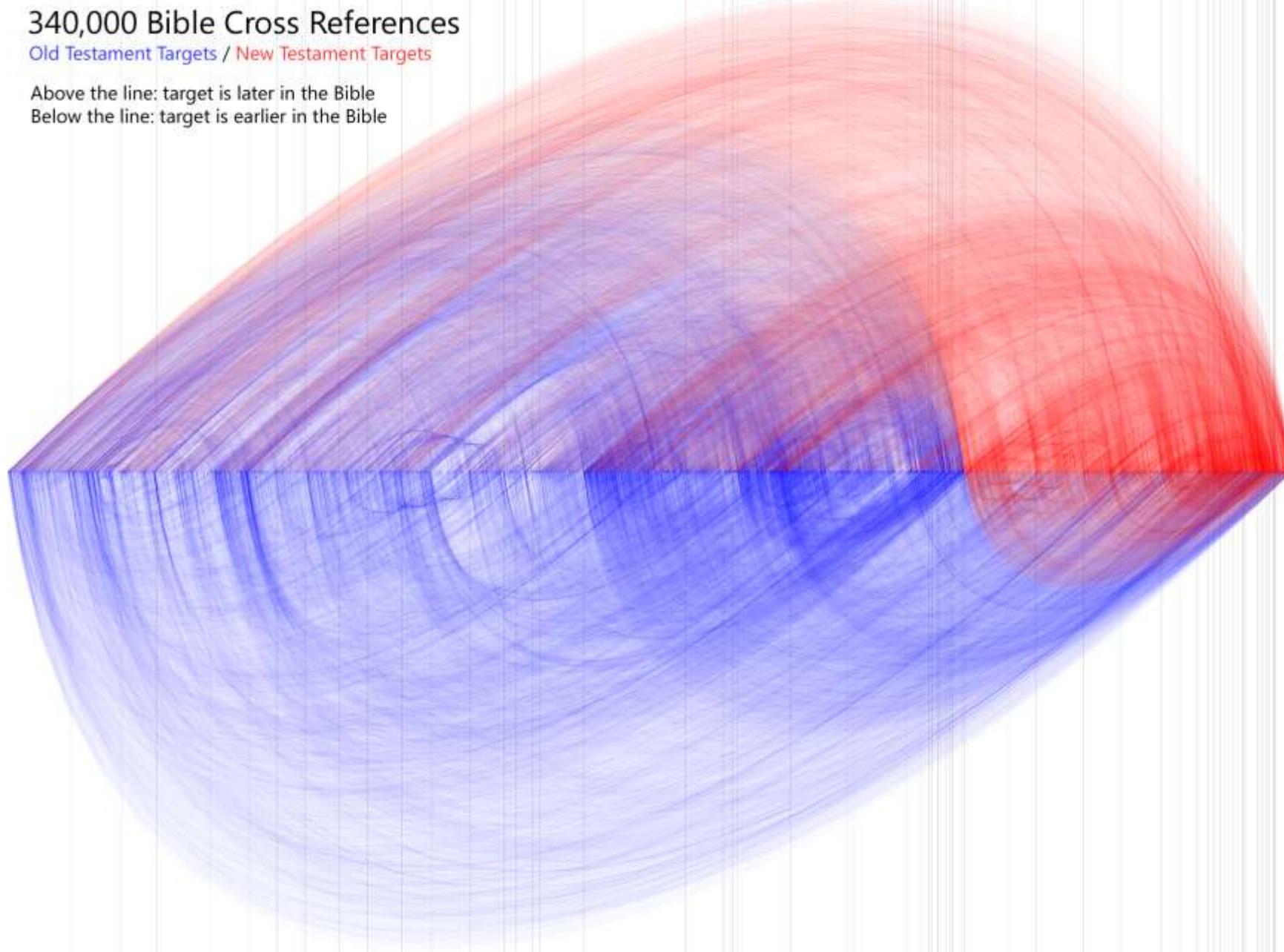
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340,000 Bible Cross References

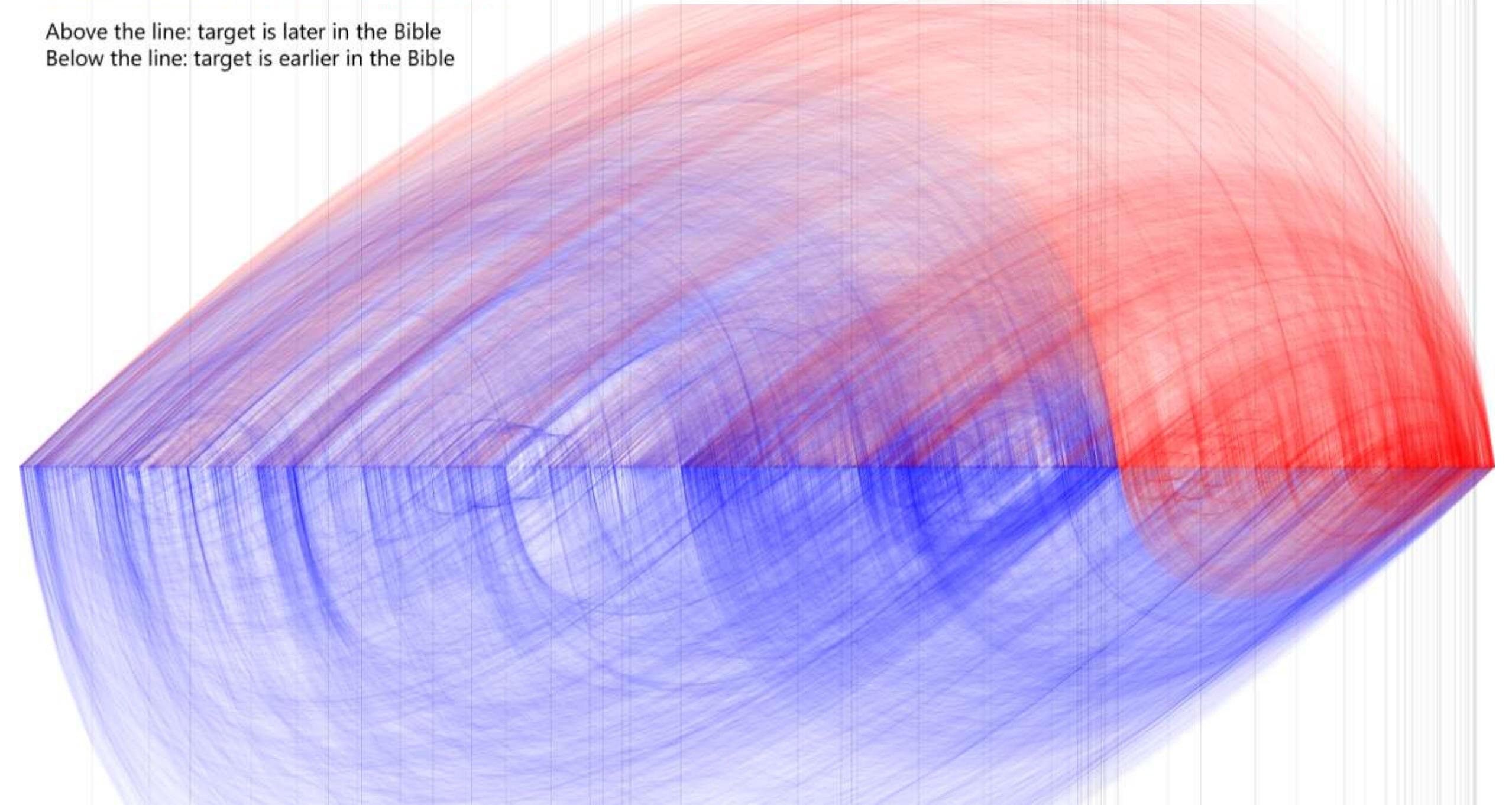
Old Testament Targets / New Testament Targets

Above the line: target is later in the Bible

Below the line: target is earlier in the Bible



Above the line: target is later in the Bible
Below the line: target is earlier in the Bible



If the mind is not raised up to make vigorous and persistent effort in seeking to comprehend truth by comparing scripture with scripture, it will surely become contracted and lose its tone. We should set our minds to the task of searching for truths that do not lie directly upon the surface.

THE REVIEW AND HERALD, SEPTEMBER 28, 1897

Exodus 17:16

For he said, *Because the LORD hath sworn *that* the LORD will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.

**Because the hand of Amalek is against the throne of the LORD*

[marginal reading]



Exodus 17:16

17:14 ¹ch. 34:27; 1 Sam. 15:3,7; 30:1,17
17:15 ¹That is, The LORD my banner. [See Judg. 6:24]
17:16 ¹Or, Because the hand of Amalek is against the throne of the LORD, therefore, etc. ²Heb. the hand upon the throne of the LORD

14 And the LORD discomfited Amalek in his hands were broken under him: and all the people who were with him were discomfited. And the LORD said unto Moses, Write this for an ordinance between me and the children of Israel: When thou shalt have overcome thine enemies, then thou shalt offer the burnt offering, and the meat offering, and the sacrifices for all thy sins, upon the altar of the LORD, in the place which I shall choose in Israel. And thou shalt take the book, and remember it, and do according to it; that thou mayest be careful to observe all the commandments of the LORD, which I command thee this day, that thou mayest live long upon the land where thou goest to possess it.

Amalek

8 I lifted my eyes and
saw a man dressed in fine
linen, whose girdle of Uphaz
was of pure gold of Uphaz.

9 His body also was like
the brightness of lightning,
and his appearance of lightning,
and his feet like the sound of

the sound of his words, I alone saw the
sound of his words, I alone saw the
sound of his words, I alone saw the
sound of his words, I alone saw the

7 Now I, Daniel, alone saw the
great dread fell on them, and they
themselves.

8 So I was left alone and saw this great
strength was left in me, for my natural
deathly pallor, and I retained no strength,
9 But I heard the sound of his words, I fell into a deep

Daniel comforted
heard the sound of his words, I fell into a deep

face, with my face to the ground.

10 Then behold, a hand touched me and set me trembling
on my hands and knees.

11 He said to me, "O Daniel, man of high esteem,
understand the words that I am about to tell you." And when he

12 Then he said to me, "Do not be afraid, Daniel,
spoken this word to you, on the first day that you set your heart on understanding
13 But the prince of the kingdom of heaven has come to you, then he heard, and I have come in response to you,
14 "But the prince of the kingdom of heaven has come to you, then he heard, and I have come in response to you,
15 "But the prince of the kingdom of heaven has come to you, then he heard, and I have come in response to you,

16 "Lit knees and the
palms of my hands
over 19. Dan 8:18

17 "Lit desirability, or
preciousness "Lit upon
your standing
aDan 10:19 bDan 8:16,
cEzek 2:1 dJob 4:14.

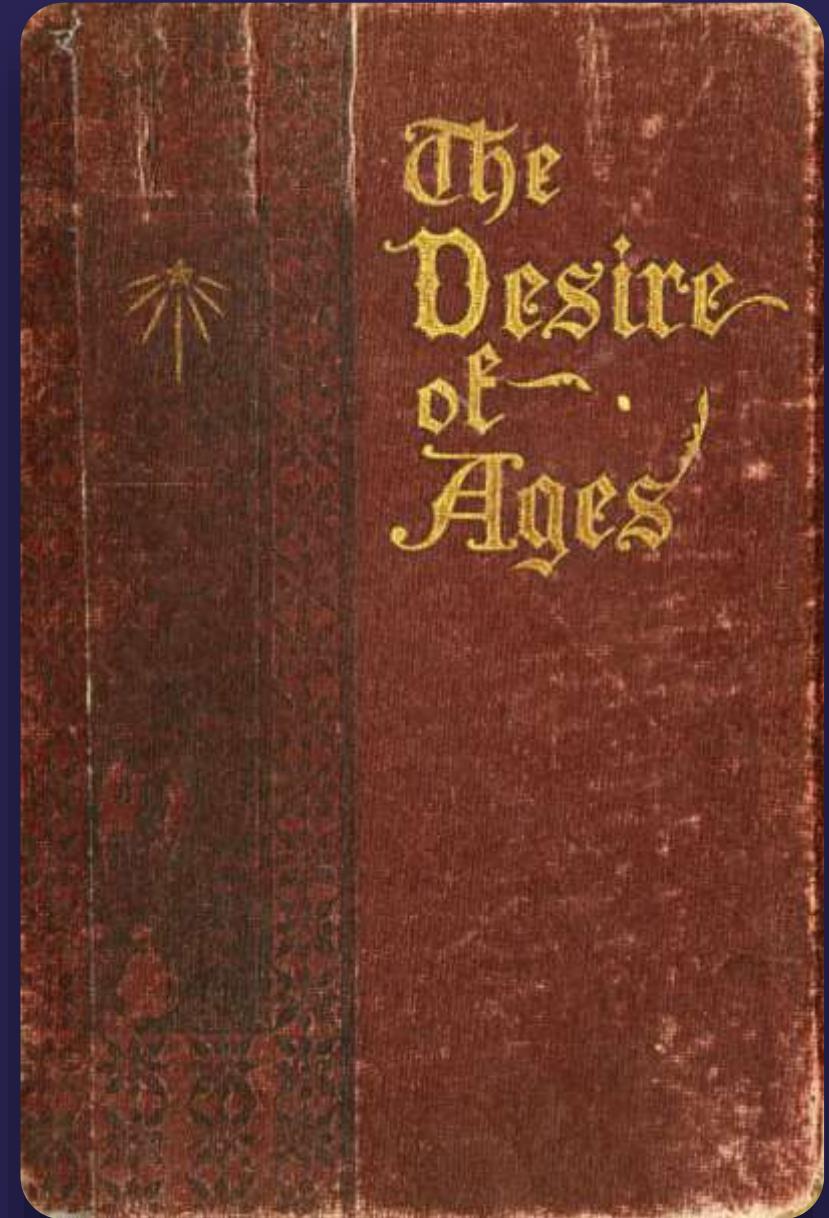
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10:2, 3 cActs 10:30, 31

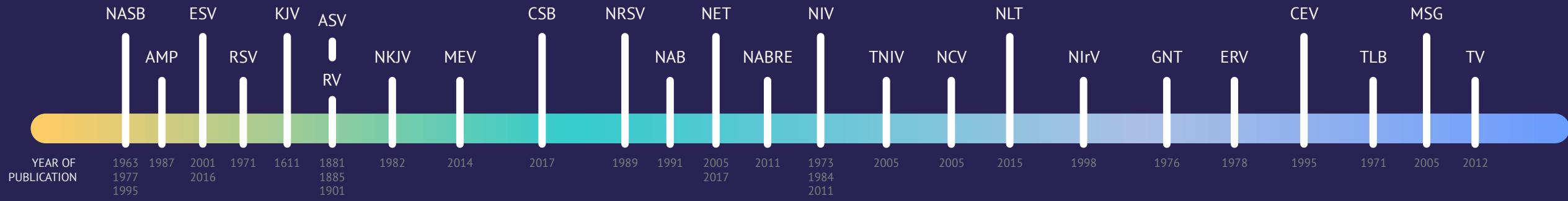
19 "Lit standing
opposite
aDan 10:21; 12:1; Jude
9; Rev 12:7

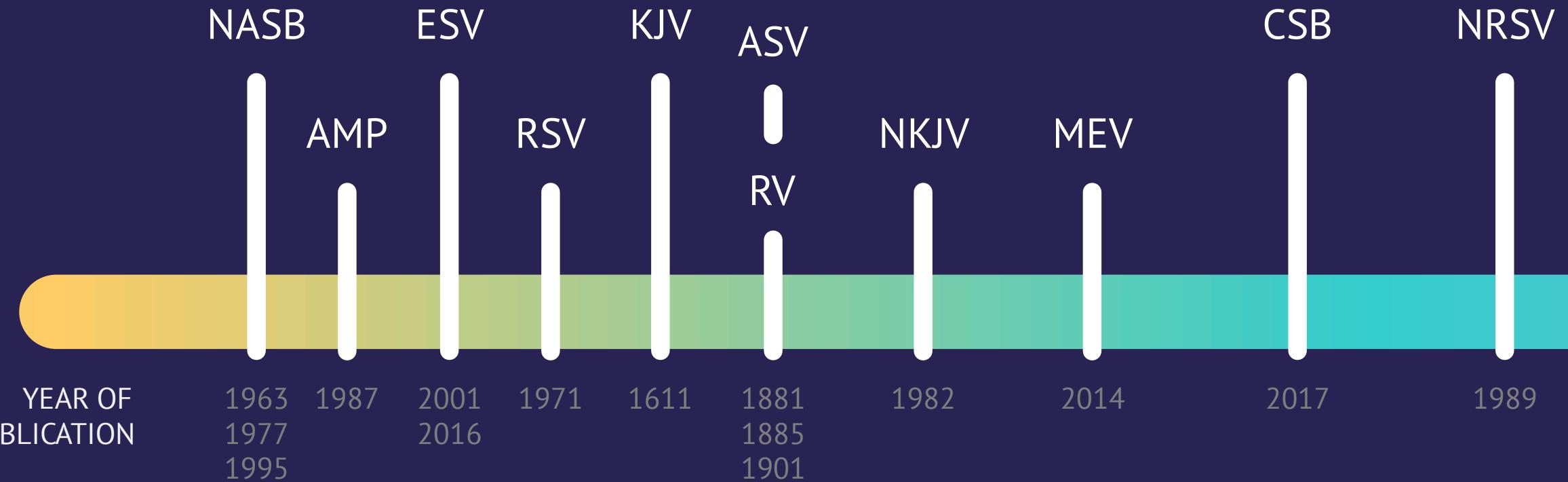
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“The Word became flesh, and tabernacled among us (and we beheld His glory, glory as of the Only Begotten from the Father), full of grace and truth.” John 1:14, R. V., margin.

The Desire of Ages, p. 23, par. 3

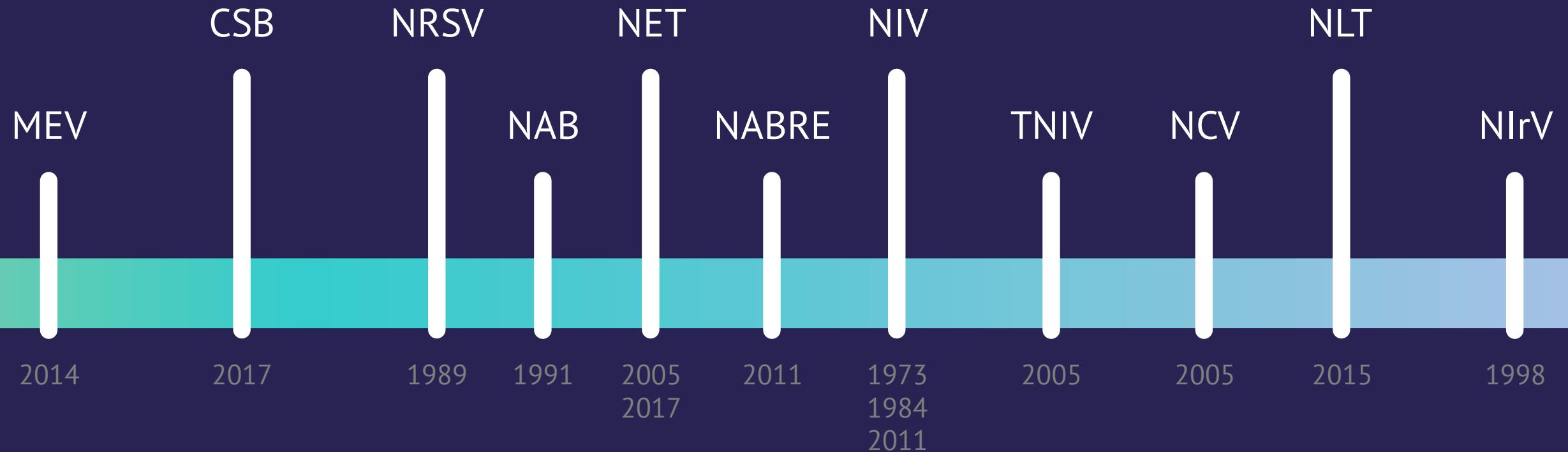






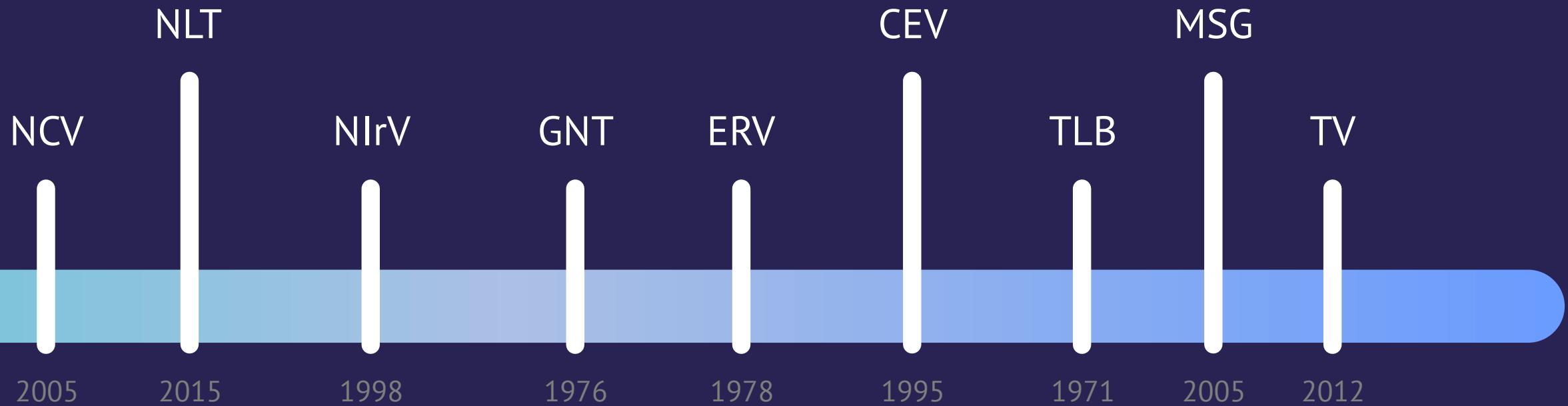
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THOUGHT-FOR-THOUGHT

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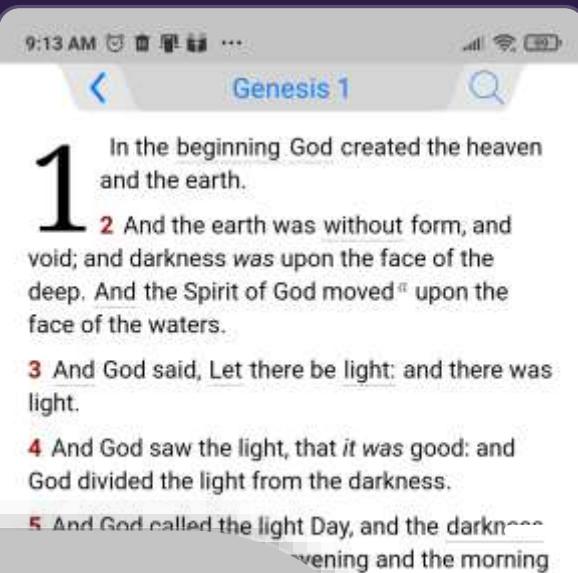
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Genesis 1

9:13 AM ⌂ ⌂ ⌂ ⌂ ...

9:13 AM ⌂ ⌂ ⌂ ⌂ ...

Genesis 1

1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

1 2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved^a upon the face of the waters.

3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

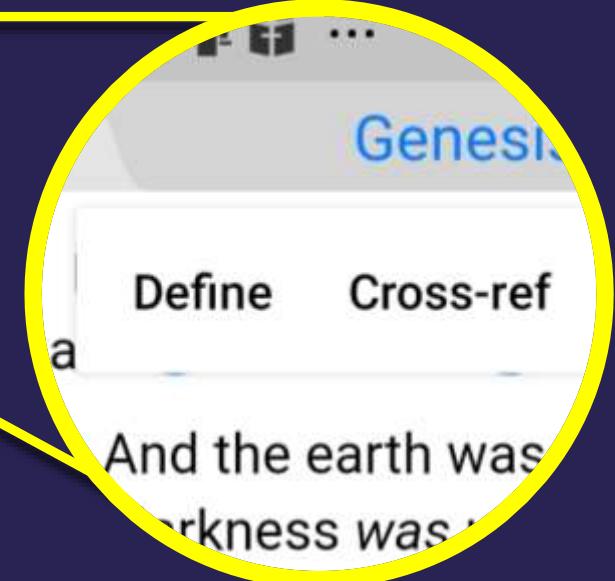
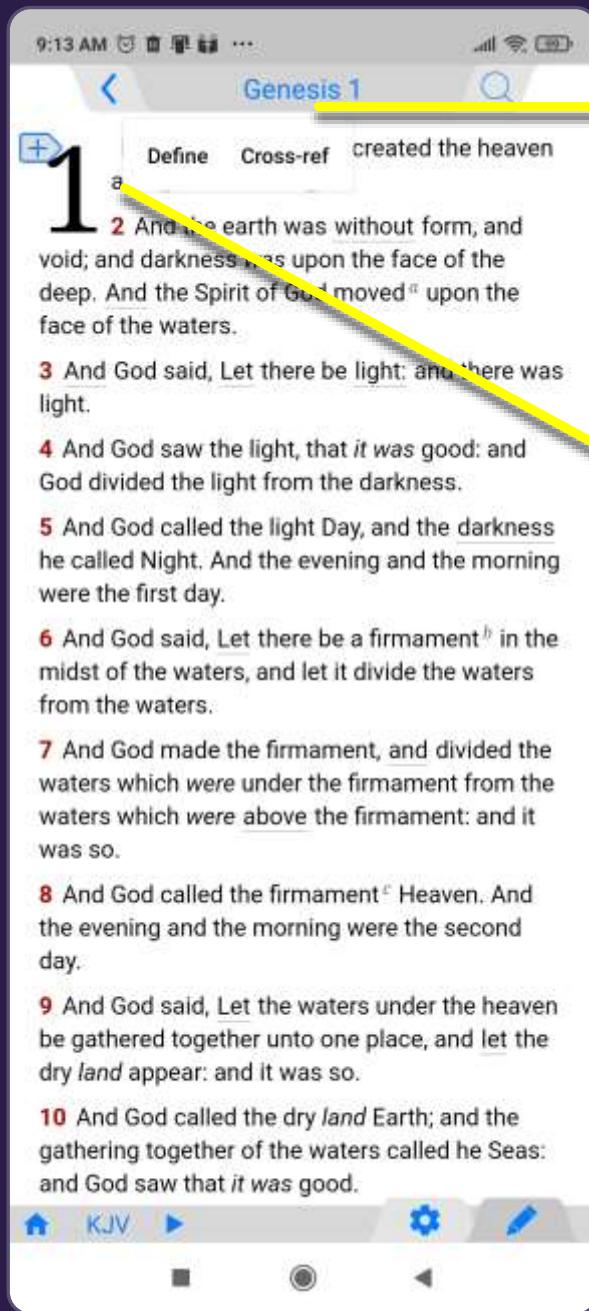
4 And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness.

5 And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night: and the evening and the morning were the first day. And God said, Let there be a firmament^b in the heaven, to divide the waters which were upon the earth from the waters which were under the earth.

6 And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the earth from the waters which were above the earth: and it was so.

7 And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and God saw that it was good.

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Cross-ref

Cross-reference verses

NOTE: Cross-references also determine verses that **read-alike** that may or may not be related in theme, meaning, or context.

3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was

Psalm 102:25

Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hands.

Isaiah 40:21

Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth?

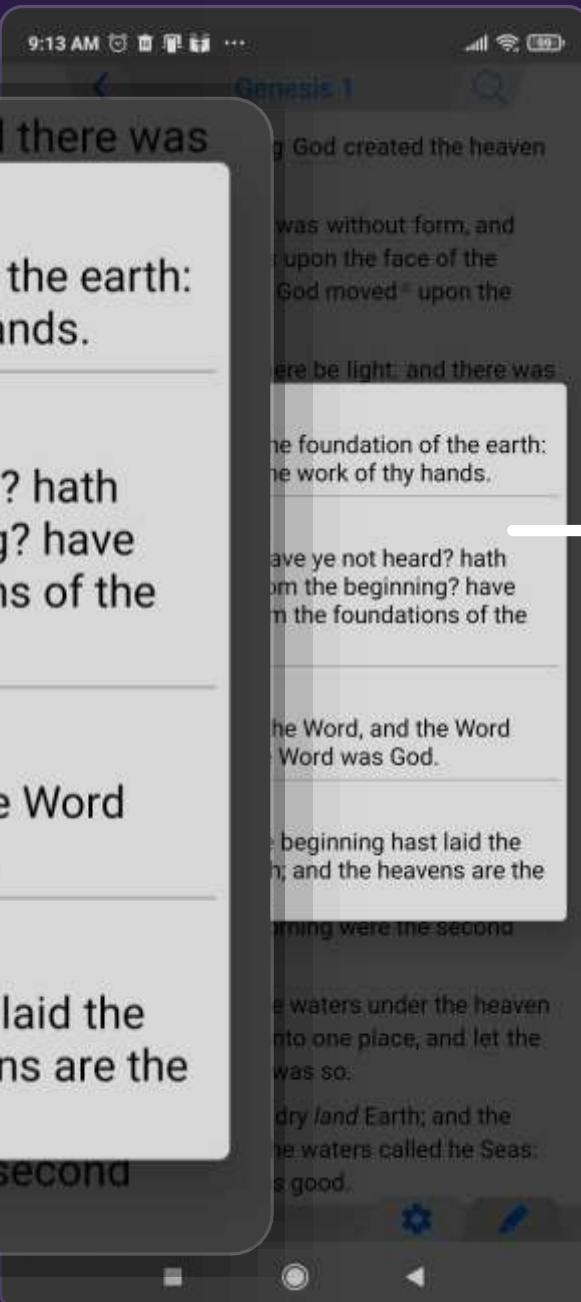
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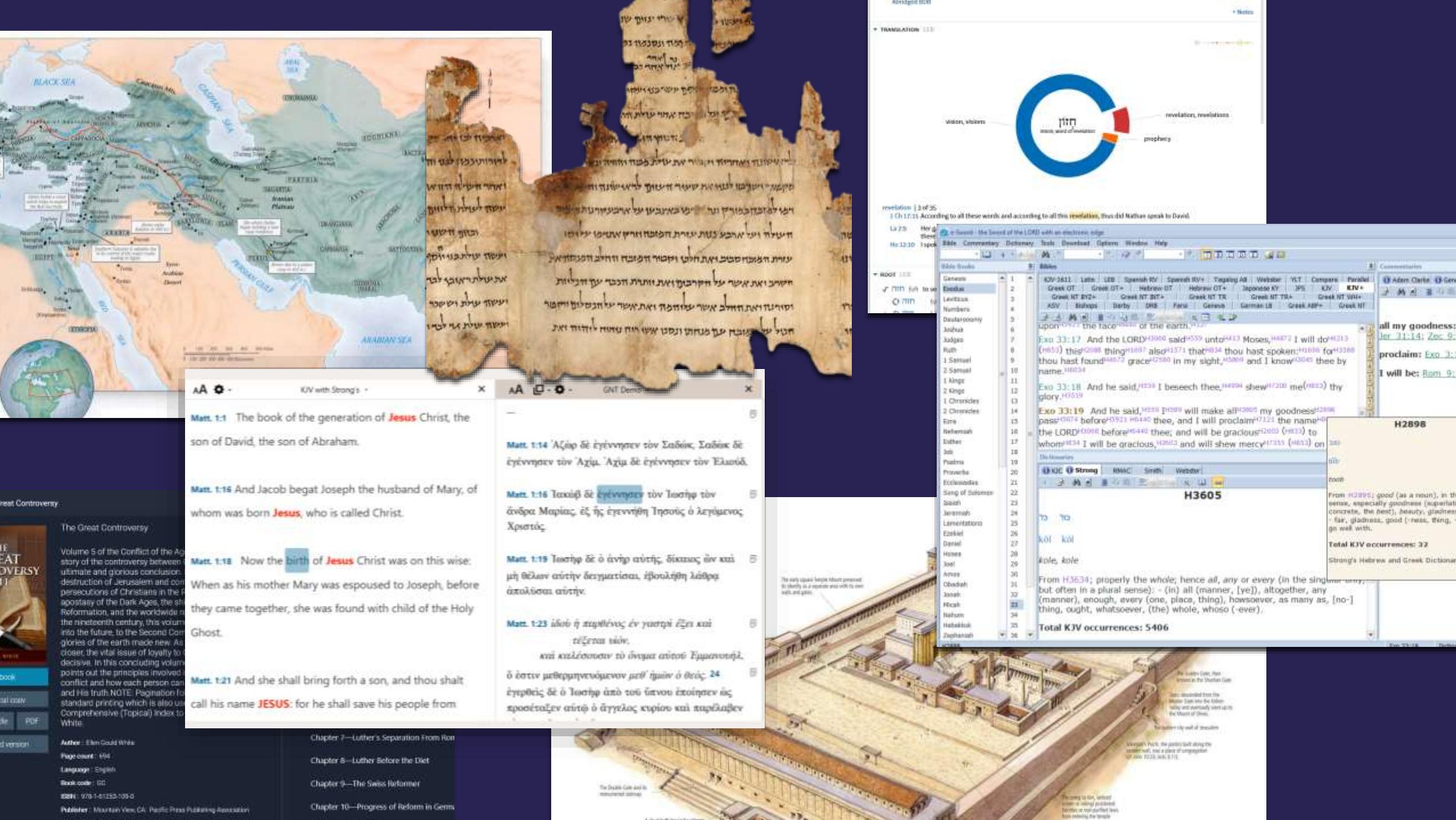
In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Hebrews 1:10

And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands:

the evening and the morning were the second day.





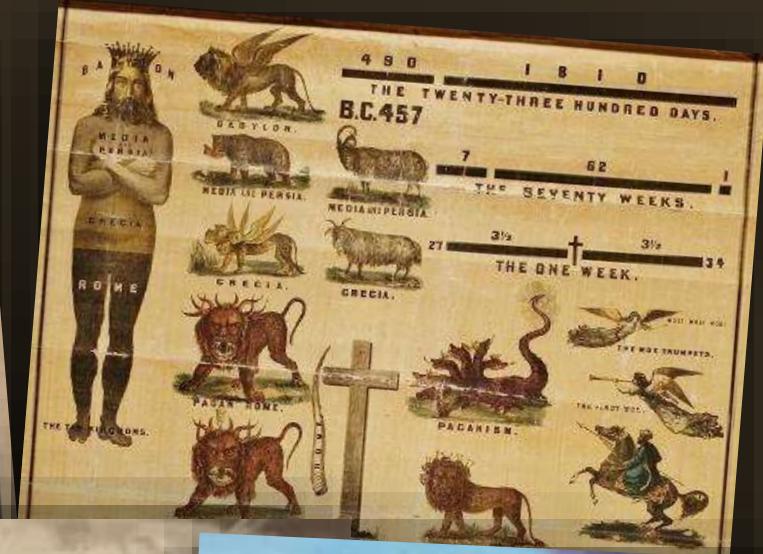
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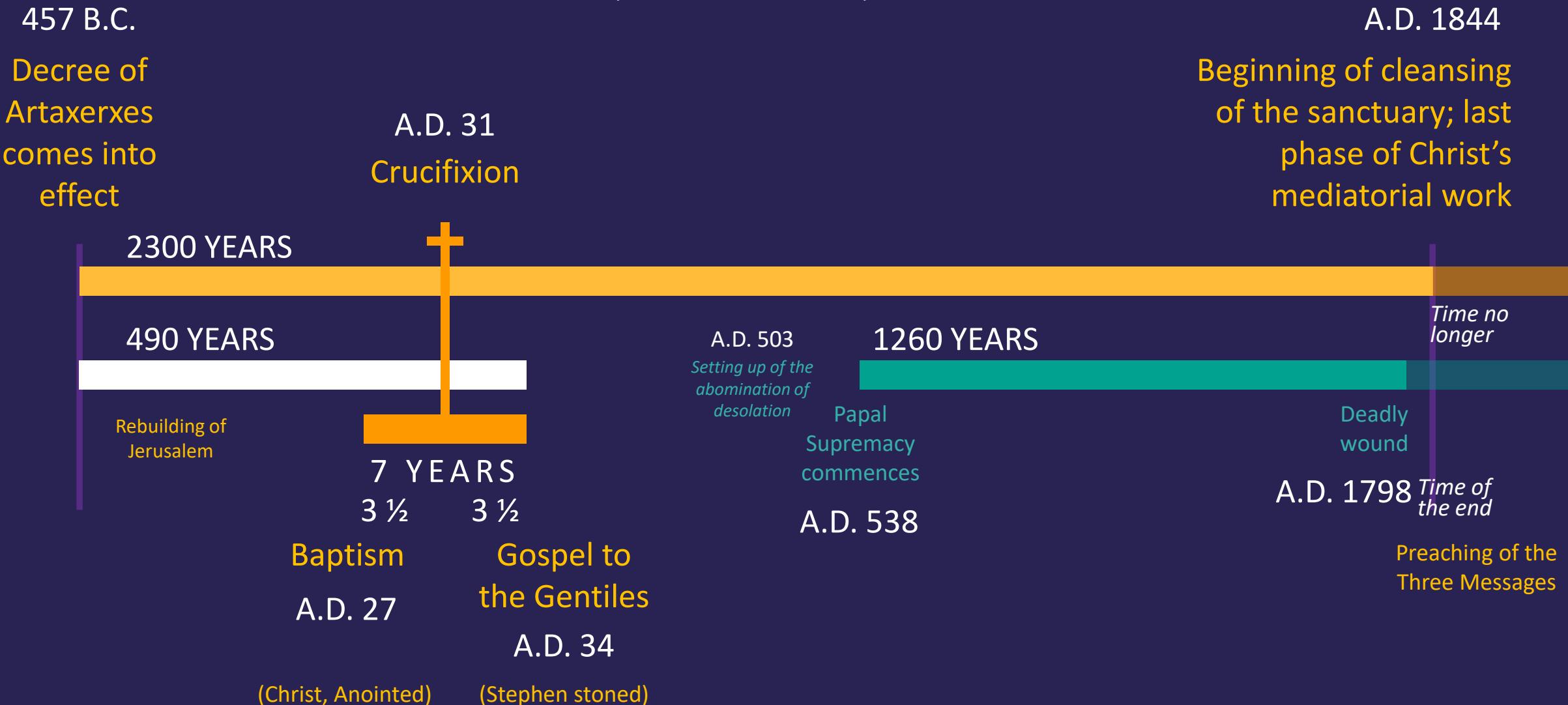


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TIME PROPHECIES

2300 DAYS, 70 WEEKS, 3 ½ TIMES



TIMELINE OF SACRED HISTORY

REBELLION OF
SATAN IN HEAVEN

*Unknown
time before
the Creation*

ETERNITY

OLD TESTAMENT

FIRST GENERATION

PROPHETS, JUDGES

EGYPT TO CANAAN

PATRIARCHS

DAY OF NOAH

EXILE TO RESTORATION
DIVIDED KINGDOM

UNITED KINGDOM

DAYS OF JESUS ON EARTH

NEW TESTAMENT

EARLY CHURCH

MIDDLE AGES

REFORMATION

LAST DAYS

MILLENNIUM



c. 4000 BC

c. 3000 BC

c. 2000 BC

c. 1000 BC

BC-AD

c. AD 1000

c. AD 2000

From Adam to the birth of Jesus: Approx. 4000 years

From the time of Jesus to today: Approx. 2000 years

The use of object lessons, blackboards, maps, and pictures, will be an aid in explaining these lessons, and fixing them in the memory.

EDUCATION, 186.1



THE CENTRAL THEME OF SCRIPTURE

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:
And thou shalt love the LORD thy God
with all thine heart, and with all thy soul,
and with all thy might.

And these words, which I command thee this day,
shall be in thine heart:

And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children,
and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house,
and when thou walkest by the way,
and when thou liest down,
and when thou risest up.

And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand,
and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.

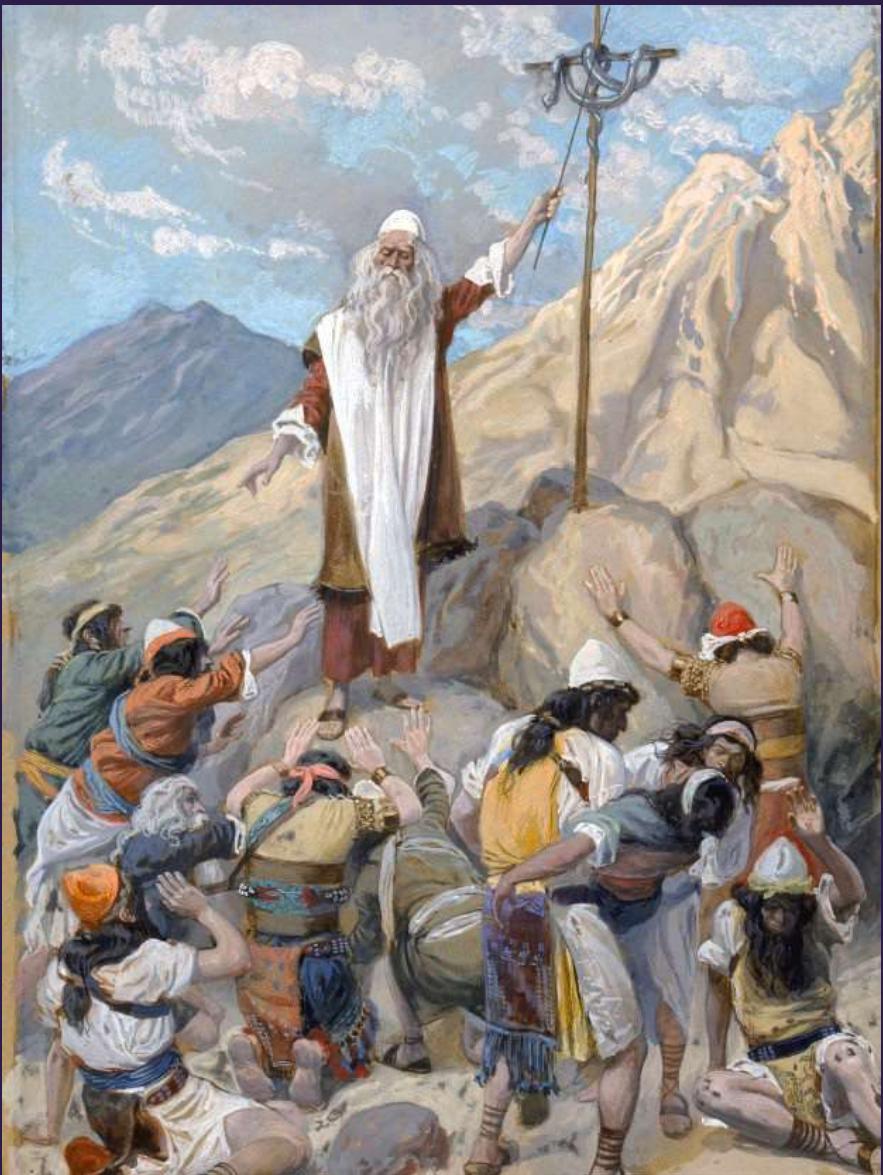
And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house,
and on thy gates.

THE SHEMA; DEUT. 6:4-9



And the LORD descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD. And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, “The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth, keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth generation.”

EXODUS 34:5-7



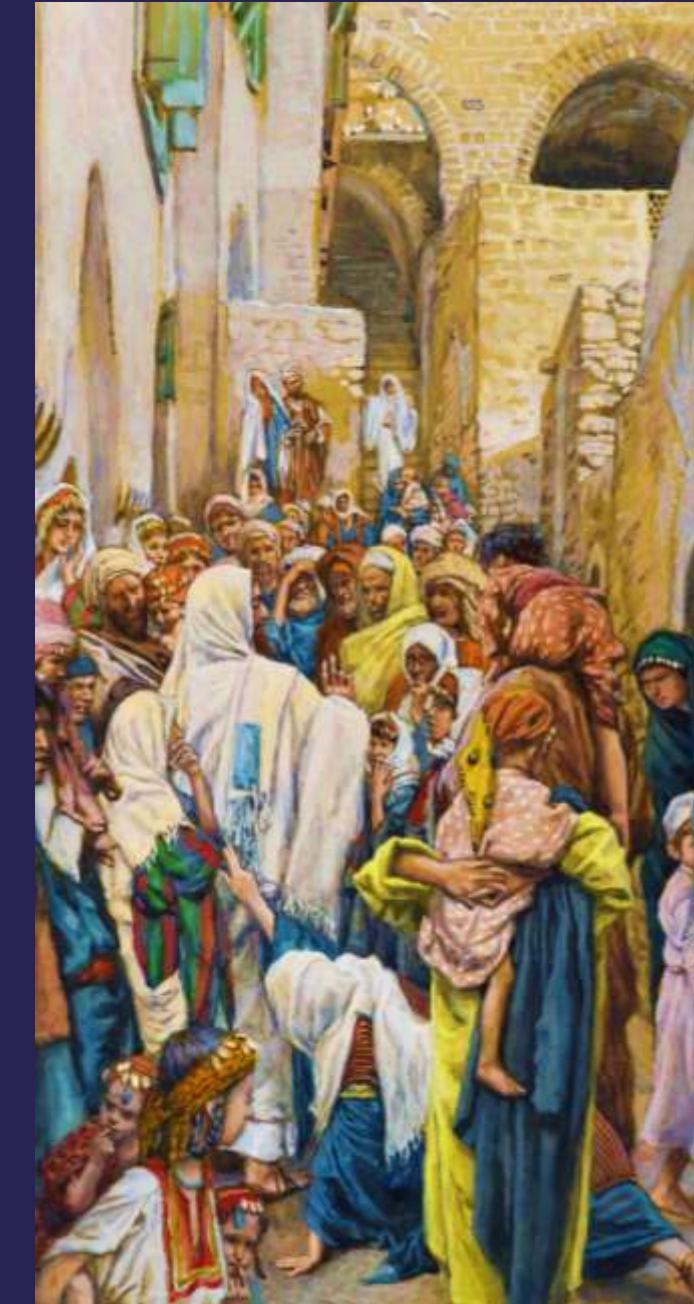
“I, if I be **lifted up** from the earth,
will draw all men unto Me.”

JOHN 12:32

For I determined not to know
anything among you except
Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

1 CORINTHIANS 2:2

“The LORD thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto Him ye shall hearken.”



The mind must be taxed, contemplating God and His wonderful plan for our salvation. The soul will thus be lifted above commonplace things and fastened upon things that are eternal.



As he looked back upon his experience as a leader of God's people, one wrong act marred the record. If that transgression could be blotted out, he felt that he would not shrink from death. **He was assured that repentance, and faith in the promised Sacrifice, were all that God required, and again Moses confessed his sin and implored pardon in the name of Jesus.**

And now a panoramic view . . . was presented to him



He was permitted to look down the stream of time and behold the first advent of our Saviour. **He saw Jesus as a babe in Bethlehem.** He heard the voices of the angelic host ... He beheld in the heavens the star guiding the Wise Men of the East to Jesus ... **He beheld Christ's humble life** in Nazareth, **His ministry of love and sympathy and healing**, His rejection by a proud, unbelieving nation ...



He saw Jesus upon Olivet as with weeping He bade farewell to the city of His love ... **He followed the Saviour to Gethsemane, and beheld the agony in the garden, the betrayal, the mockery and scourging—the crucifixion.** Moses saw that as he had lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so the Son of God must be lifted up ...



TO MEMORIZE

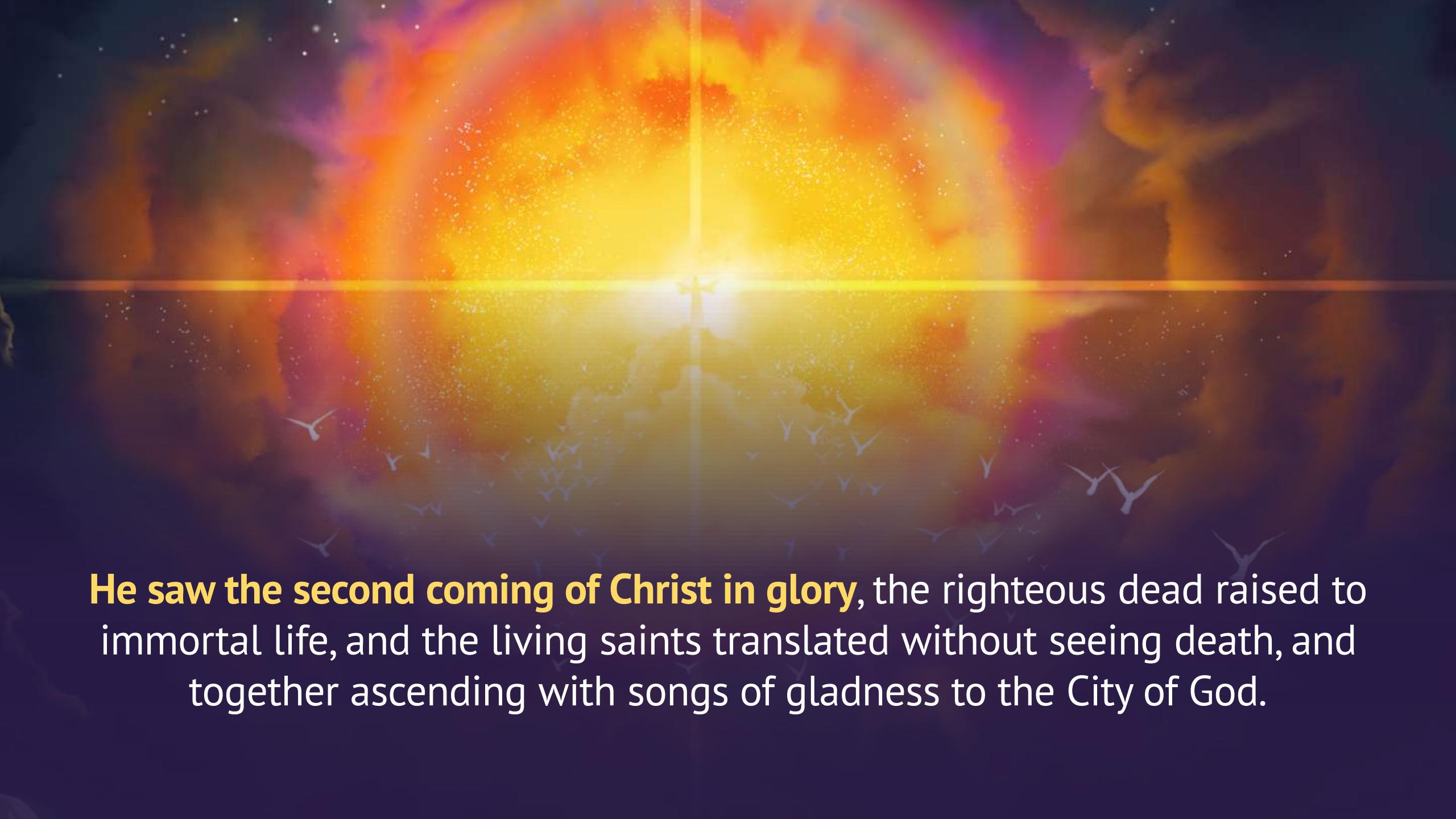
It would be well for us
to **spend** a thoughtful hour each day
in **contemplation** of the life of Christ.
We should **take** it point by point,
and let the **imagination** grasp each scene,
especially the closing ones.



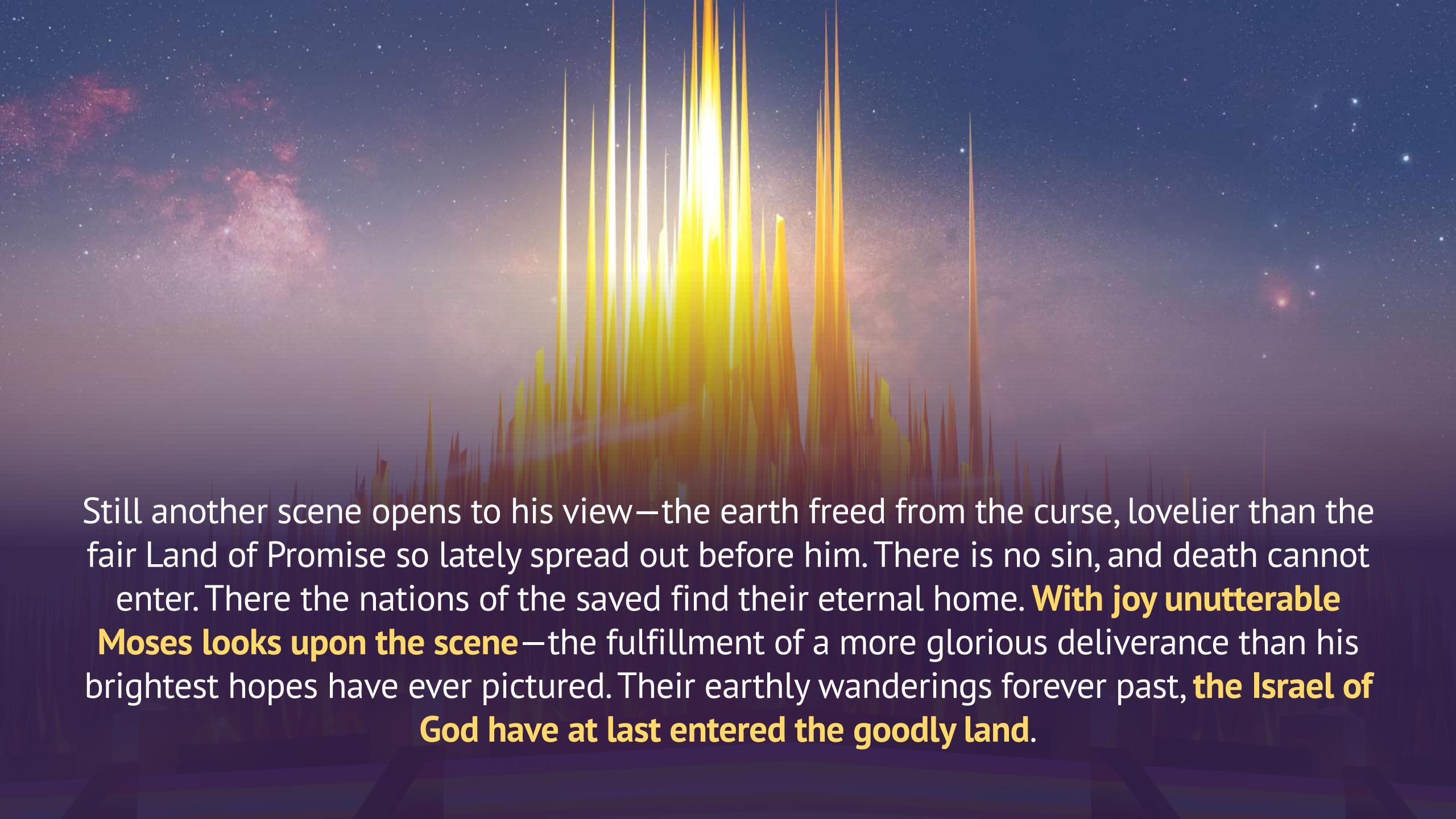
The darkness of hopeless despair seemed to enshroud the world. **But he looked again, and beheld Him coming forth a conqueror** ... and ascending to heaven escorted by adoring angels and leading a multitude of captives. He saw the shining gates open to receive Him, and the host of heaven with songs of triumph welcoming their Commander. And it was there revealed to him that he himself would be one who should attend the Saviour, and open to Him the everlasting gates.



And now another scene passed before him... He now saw the Christian world under a similar deception in professing to accept Christ while they rejected God's law. He had heard from the priests and elders the frenzied cry, "Away with Him!" "Crucify Him, crucify Him!" and **now he heard from professedly Christian teachers the cry, "Away with the law!" he saw the Sabbath trodden under foot**, and a spurious institution established in its place. Moses was filled with astonishment and horror.



He saw the second coming of Christ in glory, the righteous dead raised to immortal life, and the living saints translated without seeing death, and together ascending with songs of gladness to the City of God.



Still another scene opens to his view—the earth freed from the curse, lovelier than the fair Land of Promise so lately spread out before him. There is no sin, and death cannot enter. There the nations of the saved find their eternal home. **With joy unutterable Moses looks upon the scene**—the fulfillment of a more glorious deliverance than his brightest hopes have ever pictured. Their earthly wanderings forever past, **the Israel of God have at last entered the goodly land.**



Adam, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Moses **understood the gospel**. They looked for salvation through man's Substitute and Surety. **These holy men of old held communion with the Saviour** who was to come to our world in human flesh; and some of them talked with Christ and heavenly angels face to face.



“**Redeeming love** has been my theme,
And shall be till I die.”

William Cowper, 1772

THE CROSS OF CHRIST WILL BE THE SCIENCE
AND THE SONG OF THE REDEEMED
THROUGH ALL ETERNITY.

THE GREAT CONTROVERSY 651.2

ADDITIONAL QUOTATIONS ON BIBLE STUDY

(NOT INCLUDED IN THE MAIN PRESENTATION)

“The Bible is not exalted to its rightful place among the books of the world, although its study is of infinite importance to the souls of men. In searching its pages the imagination beholds scenes majestic and eternal. We behold Jesus, the Son of God.”

BEcho October 15, 1892, par. 2

“...youth who are growing up
with the Bible in their hands...”

EDUCATION, 192.2

He should gain a knowledge of
its **grand central theme**, of God's
original purpose for the world, of
the rise of the great controversy,
and of the work of redemption.

EDUCATION, 190.2

Why should we direct our children to drink of these **polluted streams** when they may have free access to the pure fountains of the word of God?

EDUCATION, 188.2

Let all join in the Bible
reading and learn and often
repeat God's law.

EDUCATION, 186.2

Question them upon it, and let them ask questions. Mention anything that will serve to illustrate its meaning.

When the service is not thus made too lengthy, let the little ones take part in prayer, and let them join in song, if it be but a single verse.

EDUCATION, 186.2



In childhood, youth, and manhood, Jesus studied the Scriptures. As a little child He was daily at His mother's knee taught from the scrolls of the prophets. In His youth the early morning and the evening twilight often found Him alone on the mountainside or among the trees of the forest, spending a quiet hour in prayer and the study of God's word. During His ministry His intimate acquaintance with the Scriptures testifies to His diligence in their study. And since He gained knowledge as we may gain it, His wonderful power, both mental and spiritual, is a testimony to the value of the Bible as a means of education.

EDUCATION, 185.1

I don't command you to read the Bible—I never shall. I want you to read the Bible because you love it, not because you are driven to it, for then it will be an unpleasant task. But if you neglect the reading of the Bible, you will lose your love for it.

ELLEN WHITE TO HER SON HENRY
AN APPEAL TO THE YOUTH, 79.2

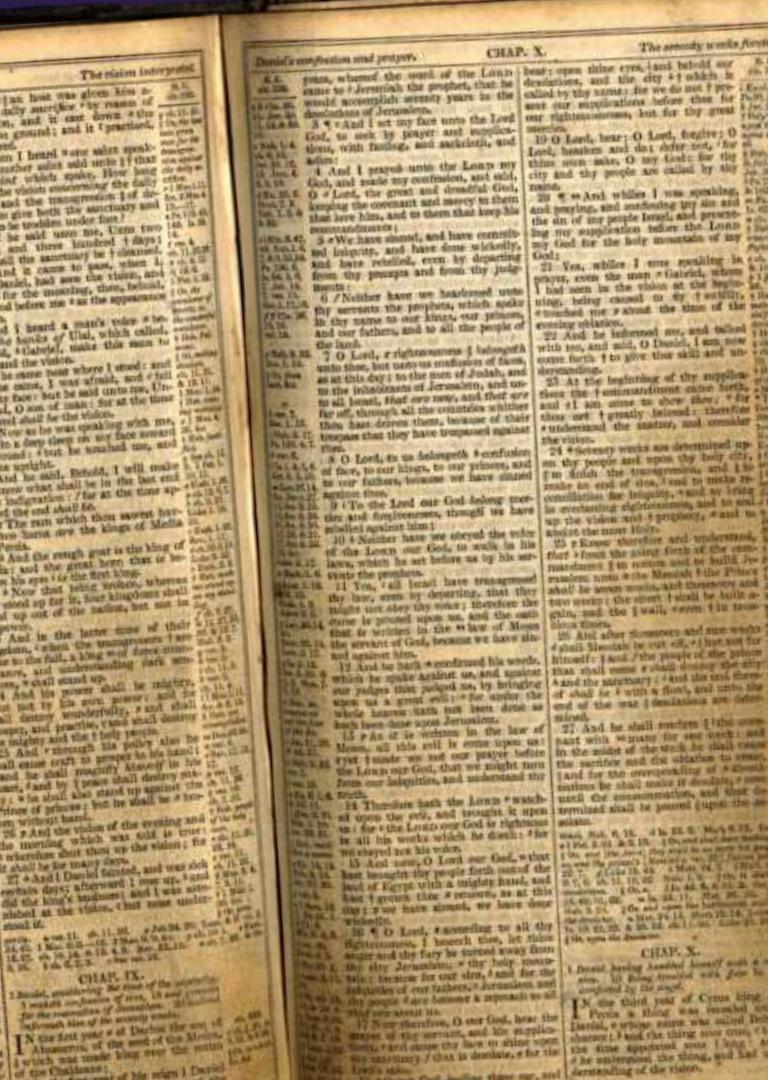
Those who love the word of God are those who read it most. By reading and searching out scripture references, you will see the chain of truth, and will see new beauties in the word of God.

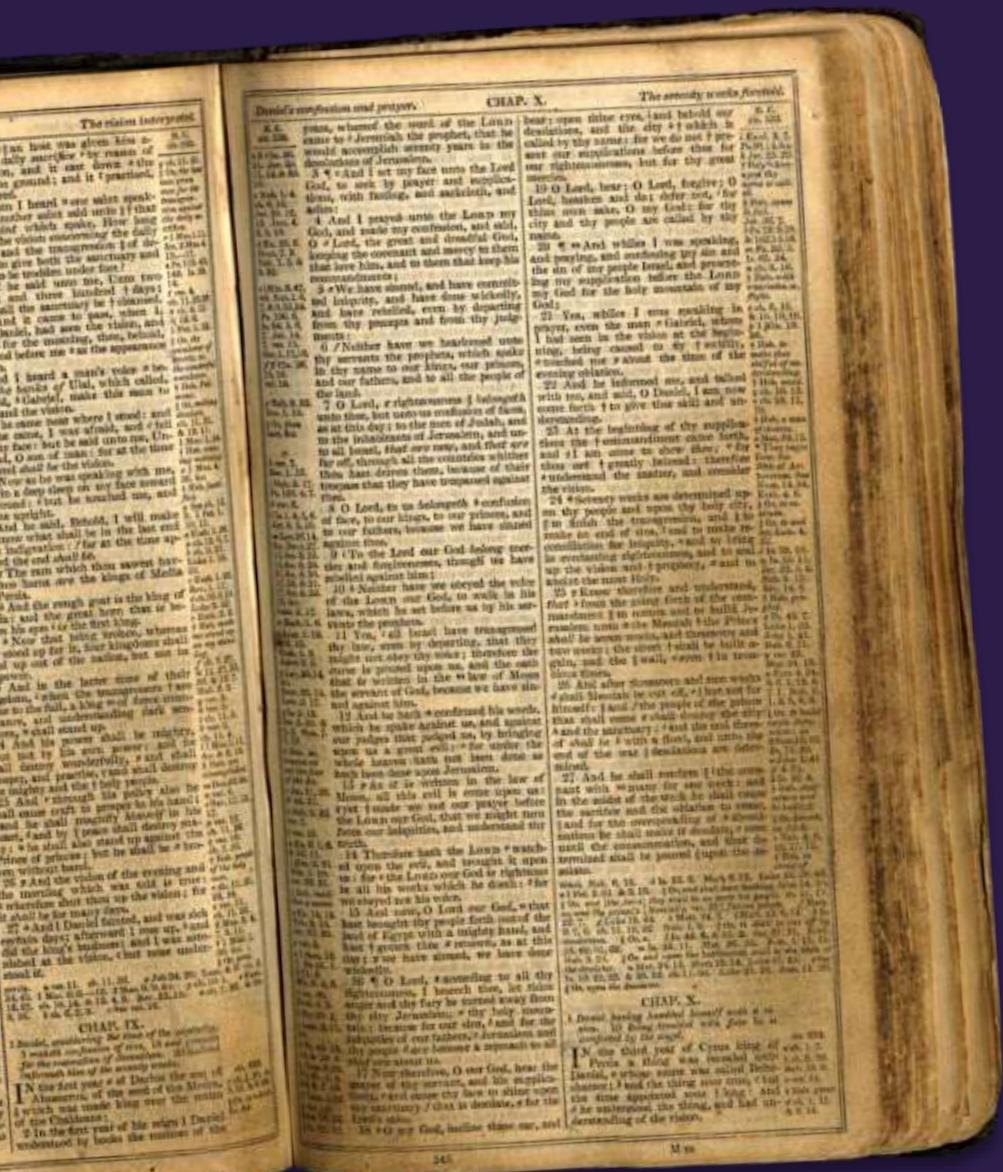
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It is not natural for the heart to love the Bible; but when it is renewed by grace, then the mind will feast upon the rich truths and promises contained in the word of God.

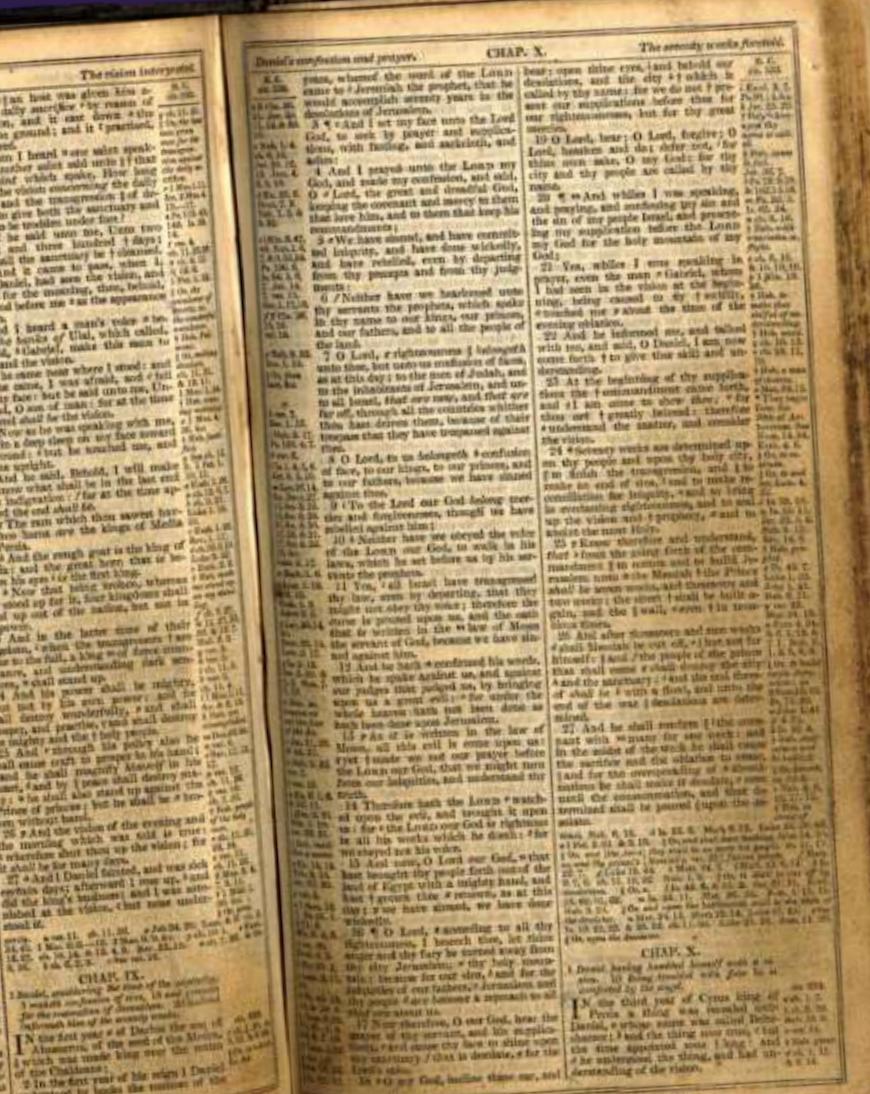
ELLEN WHITE TO HER SON HENRY
AN APPEAL TO THE YOUTH, 79.2

There is but little benefit derived from a hasty reading of the Scriptures. One may read the whole Bible through, and yet fail to see its beauty or comprehend its deep and hidden meaning. **One passage studied until its significance is clear to the mind, and its relation to the plan of salvation is evident, is of more value than the perusal of many chapters with no definite purpose in view and no positive instruction gained.**





Keep your Bible with you. As you have opportunity, read it; **fix the texts in your memory.** Even while you are walking the streets, you may read a passage, and meditate upon it, thus fixing it in the mind.



Keep a pocket Bible with
you as you work, and
improve every opportunity
to commit to memory its
precious promises.

It is impossible to estimate the good results of one hour or even half an hour each day devoted in a cheerful, social manner to the Word of God.

TESTIMONIES ON SABBATH SCHOOL WORK 11.2

If we would study the Bible diligently and prayerfully every day, we should every day see some beautiful truth in a new, clear, and forcible light.

COUNSELS ON SABBATH SCHOOL WORK, 23

We should day by day study the Bible diligently, weighing every thought and comparing scripture with scripture. With divine help we are to form our opinions for ourselves as we are to answer for ourselves before God.

THE GREAT CONTROVERSY, 598.2

And this is life eternal, that
they might know Thee the
only true God, and Jesus Christ,
whom Thou hast sent.

JOHN 17:3

An understanding of the customs of the people, of the location and time of events, is practical knowledge; for it aids in making the figures of the Bible clear, in bringing out the force of Christ's lessons; but it is not positively necessary to know these things.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, 84.1

It is not wisdom to look at the emotions, and try to test your spirituality by your feelings. Do not study yourself; look away from self to Jesus. While you acknowledge yourself as a sinner, yet you may appropriate Christ as your sin-pardonning Redeemer.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES, DEC. 3, 1894, PAR. 1
“GOD’S WORD OUR ASSURANCE”

It is the absence of the Spirit that makes the gospel ministry so powerless. Learning, talents, eloquence, every natural or acquired endowment, may be possessed; but without the presence of the Spirit of God, no heart will be touched, no sinner be won to Christ. On the other hand, if they are connected with Christ, if the gifts of the Spirit are theirs, the poorest and most ignorant of His disciples will have a power that will tell upon hearts. God makes them the channel for the outworking of the highest influence in the universe.

CHRIST'S OBJECT LESSONS, 328.1

The Lord would have His servants preach today the old Gospel doctrine, sorrow for sin, repentance, and confession. We want old-fashioned sermons, old-fashioned customs, old-fashioned fathers and mothers in Israel, who have the tenderness of Christ.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES, DEC. 27, 1899, PAR. 4

As the image made in the likeness of the destroying serpents was lifted up for their healing, so One made “in the likeness of sinful flesh” was to be their Redeemer.

THE DESIRE OF AGES, 174.4

Satan employs every possible device to prevent men from obtaining a knowledge of the Bible; for its plain utterances reveal his deceptions.

THE GREAT CONTROVERSY 593.1

Satan well knows that all whom he can lead to neglect prayer and the searching of the Scriptures, will be overcome by his attacks. Therefore he invents every possible device to engross the mind.

THE GREAT CONTROVERSY 519.2

The morning is the gate of the day, and should be well guarded with prayer... He who rushes from his bed to his business and waiteth not to worship, is as foolish as though he had not put on his clothes, or cleansed his face, and as unwise as though he dashed into battle without arms or armour. Be it ours to bathe in the softly flowing river of communion with God, before the heat of the wilderness and the burden of the way begin to oppress us.

CHARLES SPURGEON

God's precious Word is the standard for youth who would be loyal to the King of heaven. Let them study the Scriptures. Let them commit text after text to memory and acquire a knowledge of what the Lord has said.

Higher education calls for something greater, something more divine, than the knowledge to be obtained merely from books.

It means a personal, experimental knowledge of Christ; it means emancipation from ideas, from habits and practices, that have been gained in the school of the prince of darkness and which are opposed to loyalty to God. It means to overcome stubbornness, pride, selfishness, worldly ambition, and unbelief.

It is the message of deliverance from sin.

As an educating power the
Bible is without a rival.

1 MCP 91.2

Take the Bible, and on your knees plead
with God to enlighten your mind.

1 MCP 92.2

In the Bible a boundless field is opened for the imagination. The student will come from a contemplation of its grand themes, from association with its lofty imagery, more pure and elevated in thought and feeling than if he had spent the time in reading any work of mere human origin, to say nothing of those of a trifling character.

Youthful minds fail to reach their noblest development when they neglect the highest source of wisdom—the Word of God.

1 MCP 93.1

The reason why we have so few men of good mind, of stability and solid worth, is that God is not feared, God is not loved, the principles of religion are not carried out in the life as they should be.

The thought that we are in God's world and in the presence of the great Creator of the universe, who made man in His own image, after His own likeness, will lift the mind into broader, higher fields for meditation than any fictitious story.

The clearness of our views of truth will be proportionate to our understanding of the Word of God. He who gives the Scriptures close, prayerful attention will gain clear comprehension and sound judgment, as if in turning to God he had reached a higher grade of intelligence.

It is not safe for us to turn from the Holy Scriptures with only a casual reading of their sacred pages.... Rein the mind up to the high task that has been set before it, and study with determined interest, that you may understand divine truth. Those who do this will be surprised to find to what the mind can attain.

When Satan would lead the mind to dwell upon earthly and sensual things, he is most effectually resisted with “It is written.”

1 MCP 95.4

Without the Bible we should be bewildered by false theories ... But having in our possession an authentic history of the beginning of the world, we need not hamper ourselves with human conjectures and unreliable theories.

THE REVIEW AND HERALD, NOV. 10, 1904

Under study of the Scriptures the mind expands and becomes more evenly balanced than if occupied in obtaining general information from the books that are used which have no connection with the Bible.

1 MCP 97.1

The Bible is like a fountain. The more you look into it, the deeper it appears. The grand truths of sacred history possess amazing strength and beauty and are as far-reaching as eternity. No science is equal to the science that reveals the character of God.

1 MCP 97.2

Moses was educated in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, yet he said, “Behold, I have taught you statutes and judgments, even as the Lord my God commanded me, that ye should do so in the land whither ye go to possess it. Keep therefore and do them; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the nations, which shall hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.”

Why should not this book—this precious treasure—be exalted and esteemed as a valued friend? This is our chart across the stormy sea of life. It is our guidebook showing us the way to the eternal mansions...

1 MCP 97.4

In the light shining from the cross, we can rightly interpret nature's teaching.

THE MINISTRY OF HEALING, 462

ADDITIONAL QUOTATIONS ON THE LIFE OF MOSES

(FROM “PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS”)

Angels instructed Moses also that
Jehovah had chosen him to break
the bondage of His people.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 245.2

[Moses] was unshaken in his determination to render homage to none save the one God, the Maker of heaven and earth.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 245.3

His intellectual greatness
distinguishes him above the great
men of all ages. As historian, poet,
philosopher, general of armies, and
legislator, he stands without a peer.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 245.4

Moses had been instructed in regard to the final reward to be given to the humble and obedient servants of God, and worldly gain sank to its proper insignificance in comparison.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 246.1

It would require on the part of Moses himself a struggle as for life to renounce error and accept truth, but God would be his helper when the conflict should be too severe for human strength.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 248.1

God will not impart to men divine light
while they are content to remain in
darkness.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 248.2

Many never attain to the position that they might occupy, because they wait for God to do for them that which He has given them power to do for themselves. All who are fitted for usefulness must be trained by the severest mental and moral discipline, and God will assist them by uniting divine power with human effort.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 248.2

As the years rolled on, and he wandered with his flocks in solitary places, pondering upon the oppressed condition of his people, he recounted the dealings of God with his fathers and the promises that were the heritage of the chosen nation, and his prayers for Israel ascended by day and by night.

Humility and reverence should characterize the deportment of all who come into the presence of God. In the name of Jesus we may come before Him with confidence, but we must not approach Him with the boldness of presumption, as though He were on a level with ourselves.

This is an example of what God does to strengthen the character of those who trust Him fully and give themselves unreservedly to His commands.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 255.1

A man will gain power and efficiency as he accepts the responsibilities that God places upon him, and with his whole soul seeks to qualify himself to bear them aright. However humble his position or limited his ability, that man will attain true greatness who, trusting to divine strength, seeks to perform his work with fidelity.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 255.2

The fact that a man feels his weakness is at least some evidence that he realizes the magnitude of the work appointed him, and that he will make God his counselor and his strength.

PATRIarchs AND PROPHETS, 255.2

...his life could be preserved only through the protection of holy angels. But while living in neglect of a known duty, he would not be secure; for he could not be shielded by the angels of God.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 255.5

In the time of trouble just before the coming of Christ, the righteous will be preserved through the ministration of heavenly angels; but there will be no security for the transgressor of God's law. Angels cannot then protect those who are disregarding one of the divine precepts.

PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS, 256.1