


MISSION AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

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**“The Son of Man
came to seek and
to save the lost.”**

(Luke 19:10)

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Adventist Discovery Centre



THE 4 ADC VECTORS

- online and mailed **courses**
- articles, books along with other valued digital media **resources**
- the **FreeBible** programme
- social network **communities** for interactive studies

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1. ADC COURSES

- Spirituality
- Jesus Christ
- Faiths
- Archaeology
- Health
- Juniors



20 Courses



The newest one, added





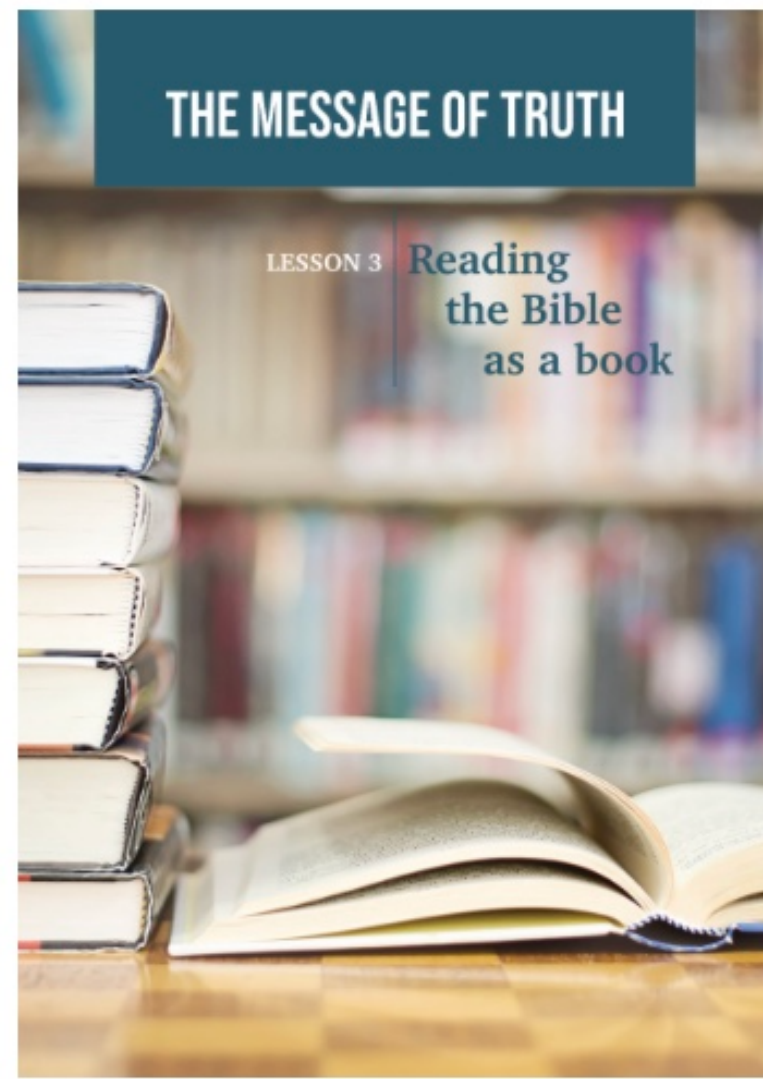
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LESSON 1 | Get a Bible!



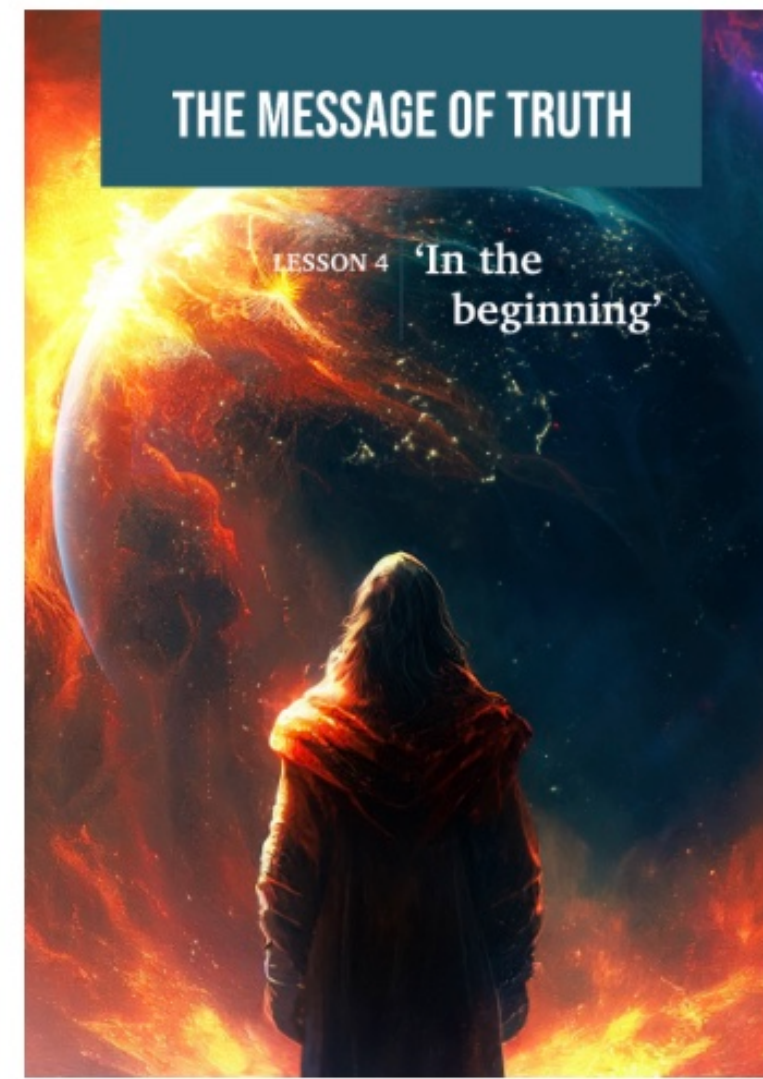
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LESSON 2 | Reading the Bible!



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LESSON 3 | Reading the Bible as a book



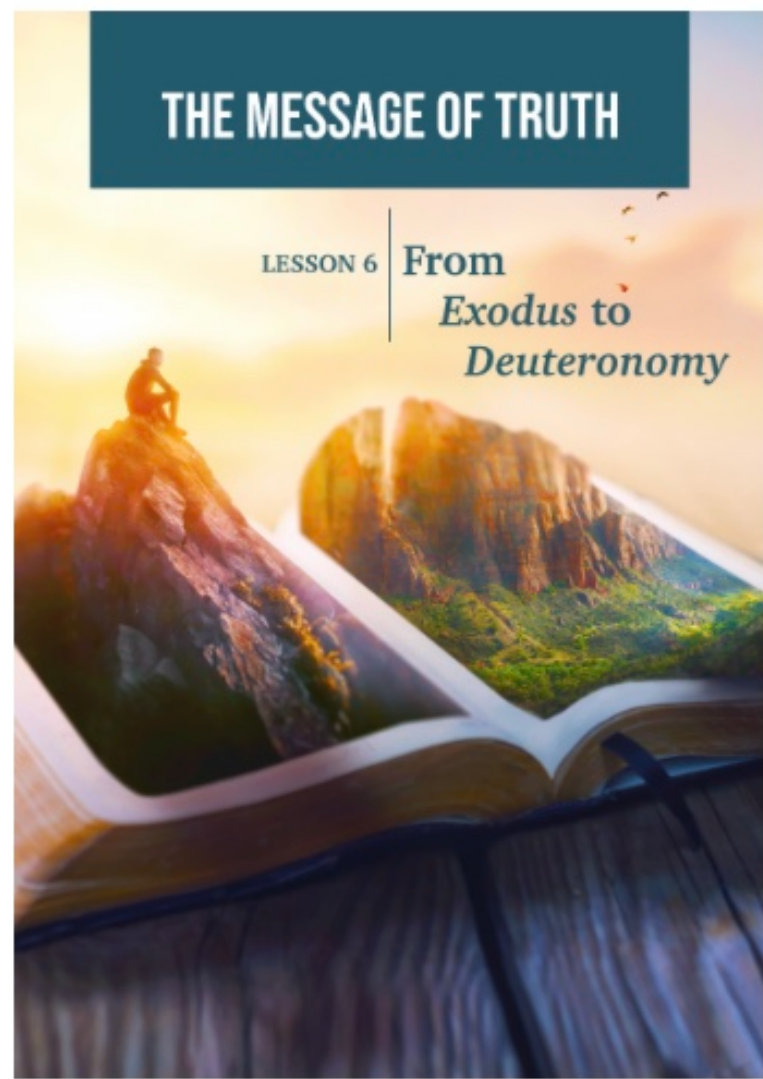
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LESSON 4 | 'In the beginning'



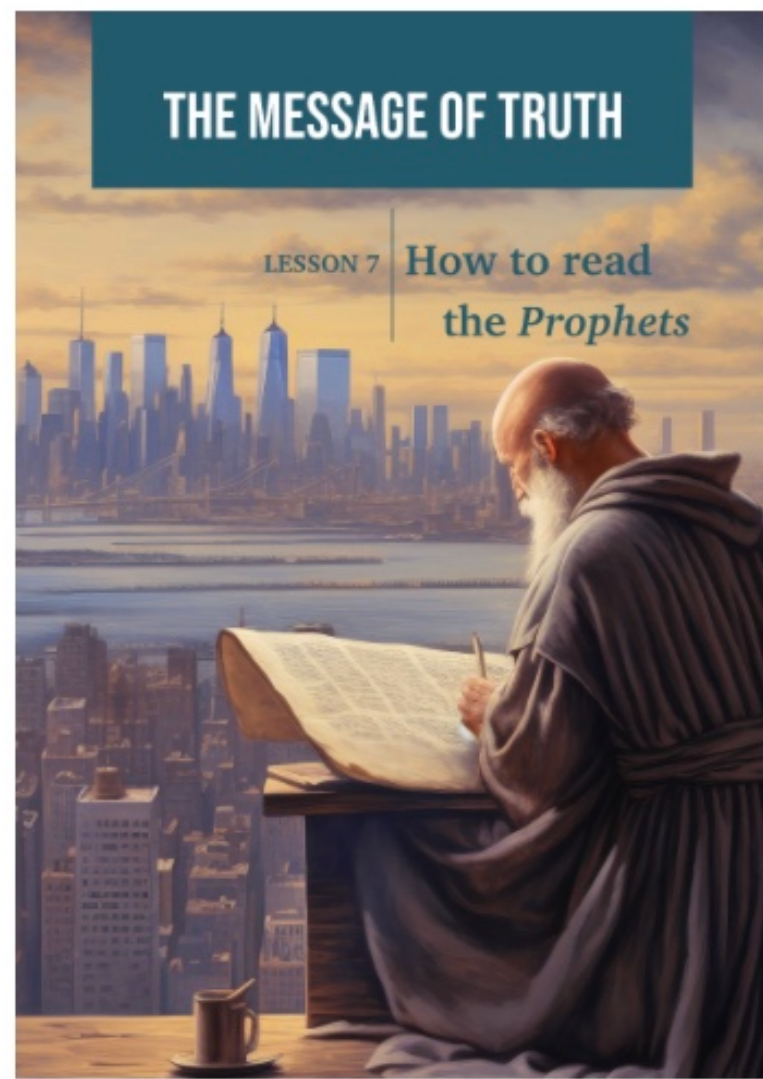
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LESSON 5 | 'The Word became flesh'



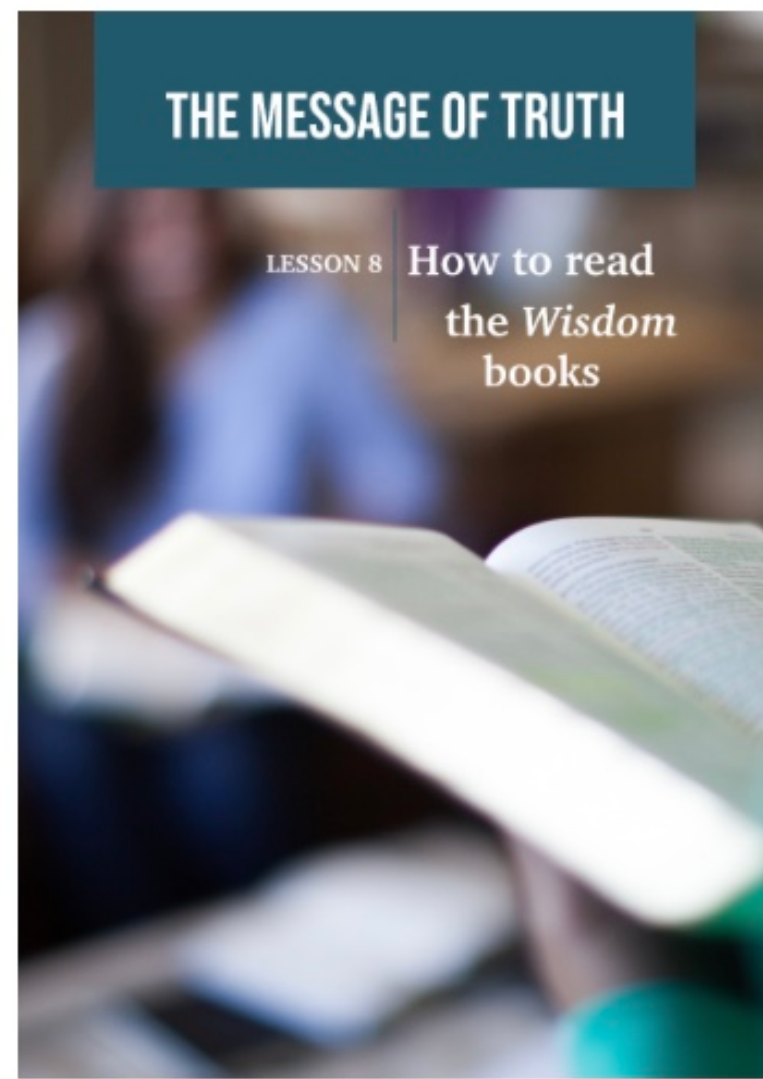
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LESSON 6 | From Exodus to Deuteronomy



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LESSON 7 | How to read the Prophets



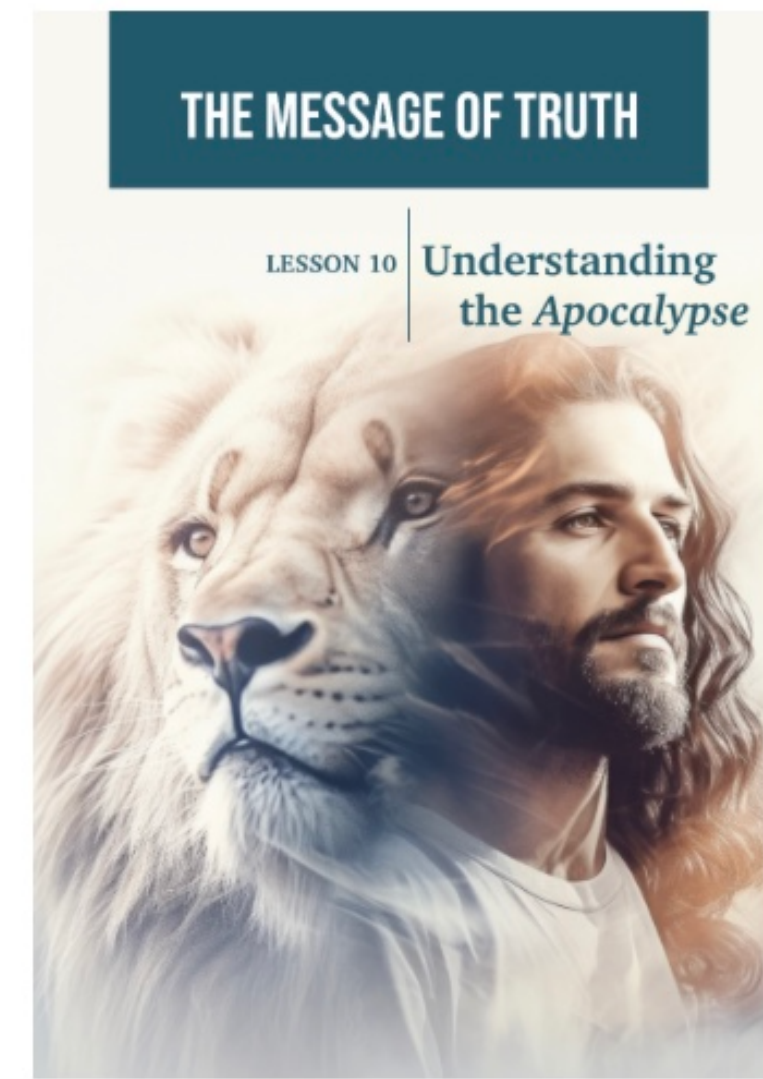
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LESSON 8 | How to read the Wisdom books



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LESSON 9 | The Acts and the Epistles of the Apostles



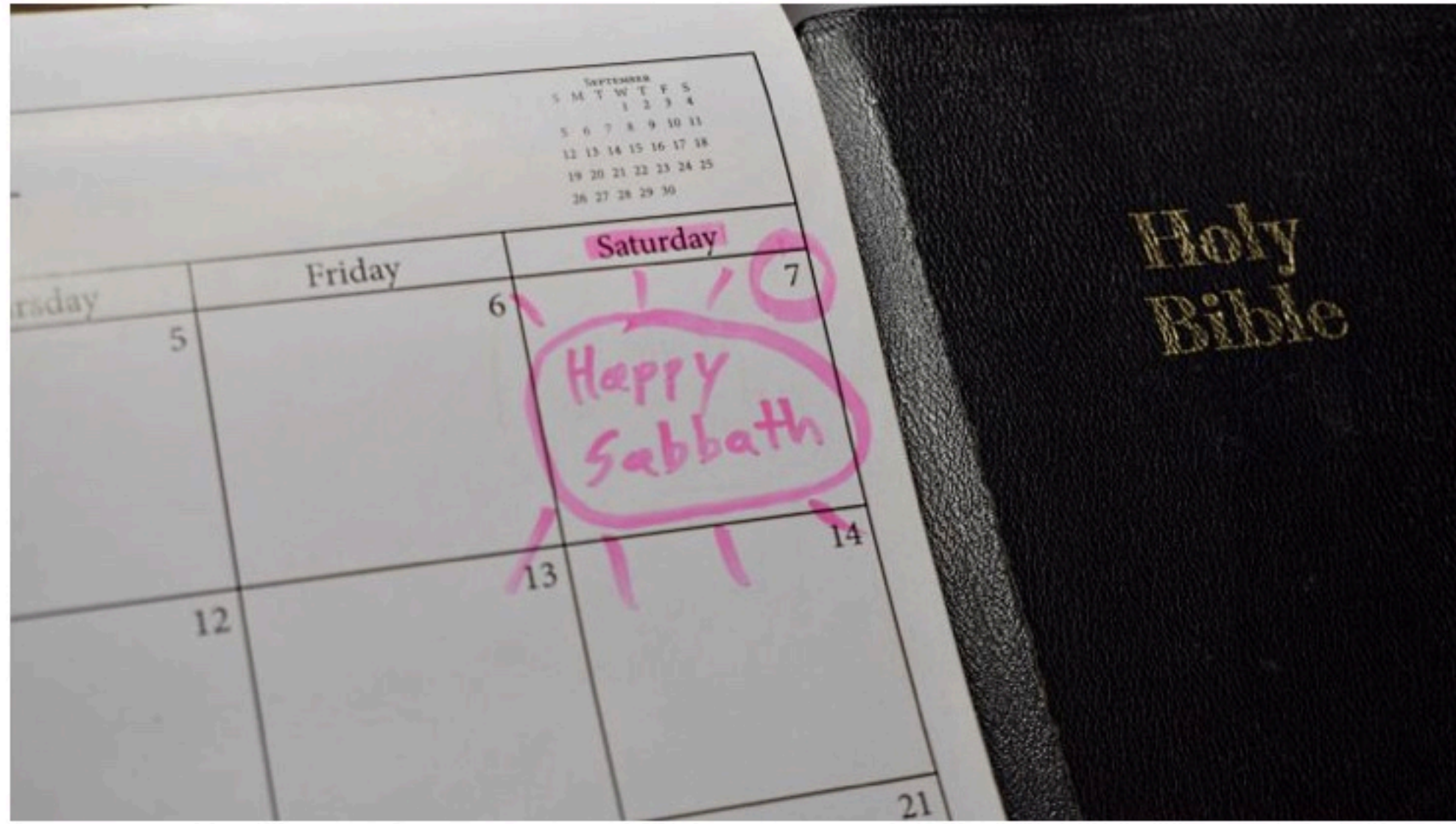
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LESSON 10 | Understanding the Apocalypse

2. ADC RESOURCES

- Articles
- Booklets
- Books
- Audio
- Video
- Hope Channel





How do we know
Saturday is the
Sabbath?



How to approach
dreams



Did you know about the sign of Jonah?



Can I discover God at my old age?



When people commit suicide, do they have a place in heaven?



Is cancer a punishment from God?



Did Jesus say that all food is clean?



Should I go vegan?



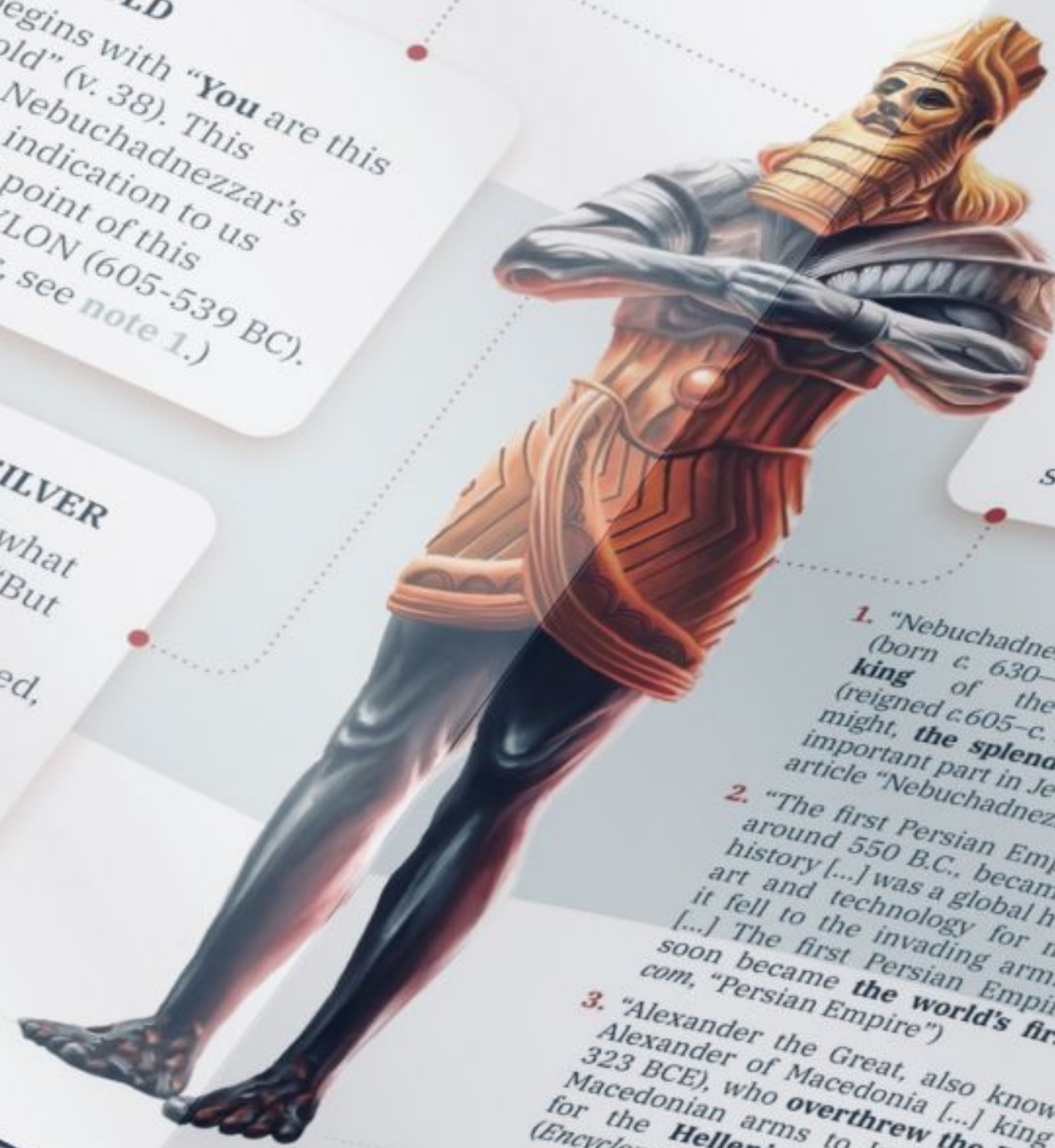
THE INTERPRETATION

HEAD OF GOLD

Daniel begins with "You are this head of gold" (v. 38). This is a reference to Nebuchadnezzar's empire. And an indication to us of the starting point of this prophecy: **BABYLON** (605-539 BC). (History confirms, see *note 1*.)

AND ARMS OF SILVER

Nebuchadnezzar, what bad news for him: "But shall arise another superior to yours." Indeed, he was conquered later by the Persian Empire, **MEDO-PERSIA**. (History confirms, see *note 2*.)



BELLY AND THIGHS OF BRONZE

Daniel boldly continues: "Then shall arise another; a third kingdom of bronze which shall rule over all the earth." This third empire was **GREECE** (331-168 BC), led by the well-known Commander-in-Chief Alexander the Great. (History confirms again, see *note 3*.)

1. "Nebuchadnezzar II, also spelled Nebuchadrezzar II, (born c. 630—died c. 561 BCE), second and **greatest king** of the Chaldean dynasty of Babylonia (reigned c.605–c. 561 BCE). He was known for his military might, **the splendour of his capital, Babylon**, and his important part in Jewish history." (*Encyclopædia Britannica*, article "Nebuchadnezzar-II")
2. "The first Persian Empire, founded by Cyrus the Great around 550 B.C., became one of the largest empires in history [...] was a global hub of culture, religion, science, art and technology for more than 200 years before it fell to the invading armies of Alexander the Great. [...] The first Persian Empire under Cyrus the Great soon became **the world's first superpower**." (*History.com*, "Persian Empire")
3. "Alexander the Great, also known as Alexander III or Alexander of Macedonia [...] king of Macedonia (336–323 BCE), who **overthrew the Persian empire**, carried Macedonian arms to India, and laid the foundations for the **Hellenistic world** of territorial kingdoms." (*Encyclopædia Britannica*, article "Alexander the Great")

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THE GIFT OF HEAVEN



Sharon Platt-McDonald
Christian Salcianu

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IS FOR OFFERS

'Heaven offers people hope.'
Louis Torres

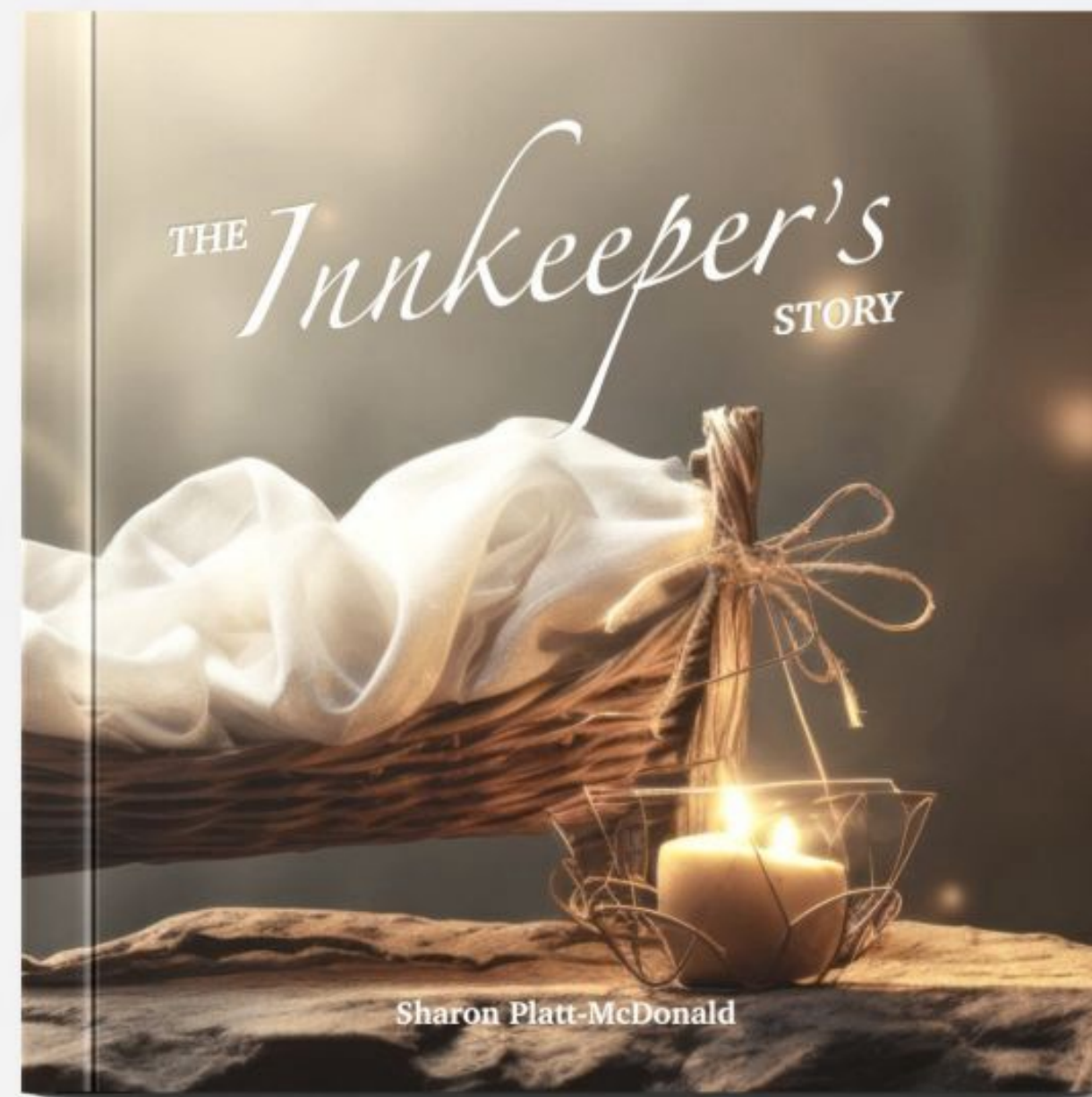
WHAT'S ON OFFER?

Twins, Steve and Sharon loved sales shopping. In fact they studied the internet for 'flash sales' and bargain promotions, diligently following their favourite products until the opportunities arose for a price drop on their 'wish list' items.

A lover of 'retail therapy' as Sharon called it, she would find opportunities to include a shopping spree on days out with her friends. In fact, Sharon would tell you that she lived for the sales, as that was when she could afford the items she had been observing all year.

Saving up for bargain purchases when sales were on was a high point of her year, as she carefully planned for potential purchases that she considered essential. She would also look out for what she called 'optional extras'; these she considered a treat if she had the additional funds to procure them.





THE Innkeeper's STORY

Sharon Platt-McDonald



This is the account of the Innkeeper in Bethlehem, Judea, whose story chronicles the most impactful experience of his life.

In his own words . . .



It was a full house.

Every available space was occupied. More importantly, the best and most expensive rooms were now occupied, which would certainly be a financial boost – at last.

The entire property now teeming with fee-paying guests meant that we had to use the spare rooms usually reserved for visiting family members. We had even brought in extra camp beds to facilitate the larger-than-expected client families that had currently booked to stay

due to the latest government announcement. Well, the decree of the Roman Emperor, Caesar Augustus, to be exact. People were flocking to Bethlehem, Judea, in order to register their families for the census.

I thought of what I would do with the extra money that these – how should I put it? – unexpected bookings would bring, and realised with a sense of smug satisfaction that I would be financially stable for a good while to come.

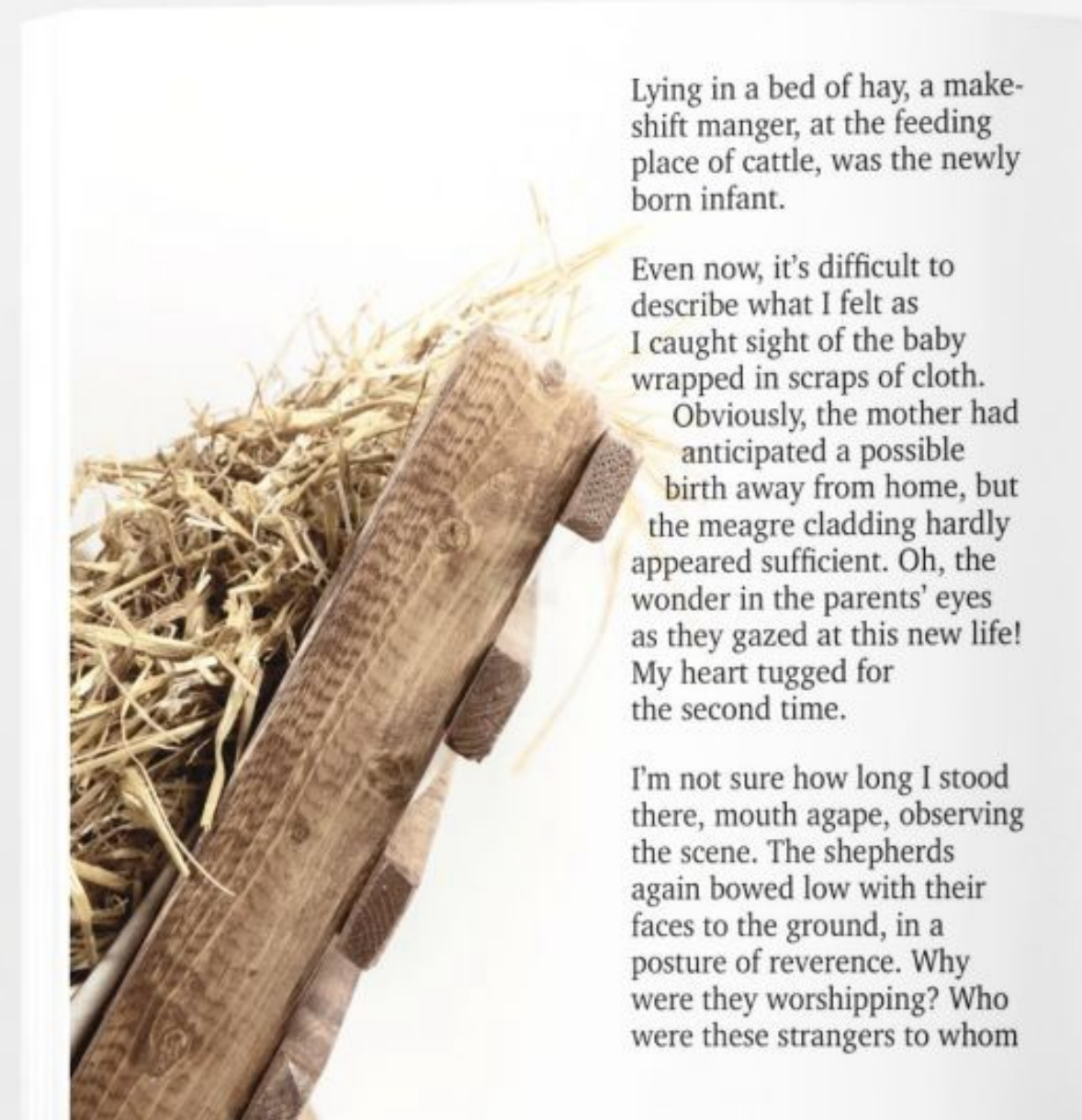
And why shouldn't I feel smug? Previously, business had been rather slow, but since the taxation announcement (which had certainly caused tremendous political upheaval) our somewhat quiet town was

now bustling with activity and noise. I'm usually a quiet type of person, but anything that brought in money, I could put up with – well, almost anything.

It was well into the evening when I heard the distinct, almost impatient knocking at the door. Irritated, I wondered whether the sign clearly displayed as 'FULL' (אין מקום) was being ignored.

Or maybe it was more likely foreigners, who couldn't speak Aramaic and read the word written in large lettering in plain sight! Well, it certainly wouldn't have been locals knocking at this undignified hour.

I gathered my robe around me and began making my way towards the door. The knocking started again, more desperate-sounding this time. *Perhaps it's an emergency*, I thought.



Lying in a bed of hay, a makeshift manger, at the feeding place of cattle, was the newly born infant.

Even now, it's difficult to describe what I felt as I caught sight of the baby wrapped in scraps of cloth.

Obviously, the mother had anticipated a possible birth away from home, but the meagre cladding hardly appeared sufficient. Oh, the wonder in the parents' eyes as they gazed at this new life! My heart tugged for the second time.

I'm not sure how long I stood there, mouth agape, observing the scene. The shepherds again bowed low with their faces to the ground, in a posture of reverence. Why were they worshipping? Who were these strangers to whom

they paid homage? Was it the parents or the child? And why did it feel so momentous, as if this extraordinary moment would be long remembered?

There was a sense that its significance would somehow be a turning point in my life, although at that precise moment I didn't know what it was.

'Come and see our son,' the mother requested, punctuating my thoughts and the somewhat sacred atmosphere.

Hesitantly I stepped forward, as the father beckoned me closer.

'By the way, we are Mary and Joseph,' he said.

Finding my voice, I tentatively enquired, 'What have you called the child?' Then I suddenly remembered that, with some customs, children were named several days after a birth.

Jesus,' responded Mary.

Jesus?' I asked quizzically.

Jesus



'Mary brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.' (Luke 2:7)



'The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger."' (Luke 2:10-12)

DISCOVER JESUS' ENTIRE STORY!



Robin J. Lewis

THE CAPTAIN'S
STORY

3. FREEBIBLE



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FreeBible is a website, www.freebible.uk where a user completes some online quizzes.



- 10 quizzes done
get your free Bible!
- All 28 quizzes done get a free
Desire of Ages (illustrated)

The Word of God

Question 20

When Jesus was asked by an expert in the law what he had to do to inherit eternal life, Jesus challenged him to go deeper. What was Jesus' suggestion?

Lookup: Luke 10:26

Answer

- Do more good deeds
- Review what is written in Law
- Study day and night
- Search within yourself
- Fast and pray

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Submit

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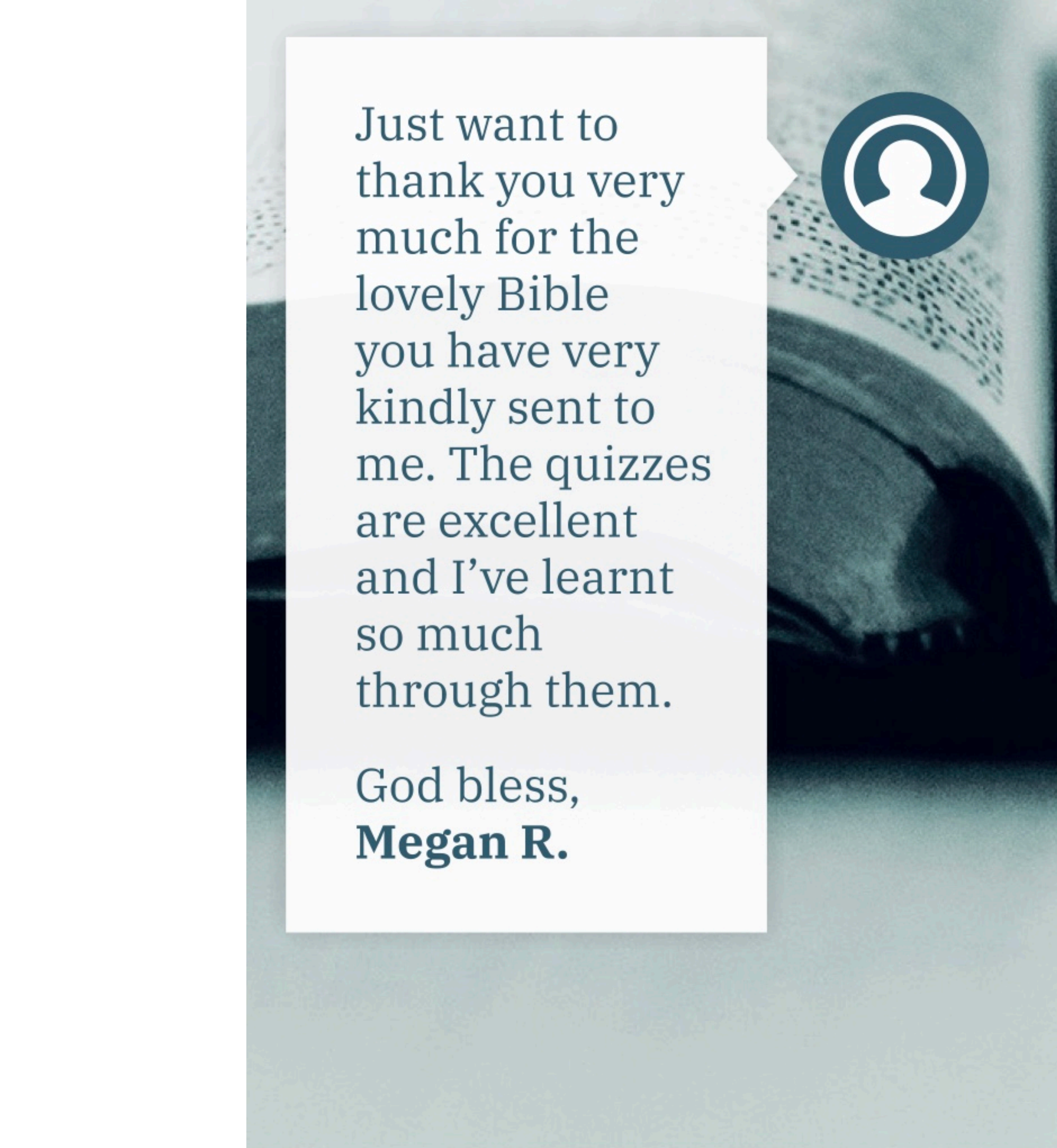
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4. ADC COMMUNITIES

Social network communities for
interactive studies:

- Churches
- Small groups
- Communities

WAYS TO INTERACT

Small group in the church

Weekly prayer and Bible study meetings

Baptismal classes

Discipleship / Pathfinders / Continual education

Campaign in the community

Mission wide study meetings (Zoom)

20 Courses

Interested
in a new perspective
on life's challenges?

See our **FREE** courses

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INTRODUCTORY COURSES

MEANING OF THE BIBLE
Reading the Bible can be an overwhelming task. Where to start? What does it mean? **The Meaning of the Bible** is a basic course on the Bible. Not a Bible study, it's a how to read and understand the Bible.

TRY JESUS!
The life and teachings of Jesus are the foundation of Christianity, the largest of the world's religions. **Try Jesus!** will take you on a journey from Jesus' birth to His resurrection, while the second series explores Jesus' amazing teachings.

QUESTIONS FOR GOD
Imagine a face-to-face sit down with God. What questions would you ask Him? Would you ask about pain and suffering in the world, His views on sex and marriage or how will this world end, if ever? Follow these **10 Questions for God**.

SPECIAL COURSES

'DIGGING' SERIES
Explore ancient civilisations and discover amazing connections with events, characters, and themes of the Bible. Our three part **'Digging' Series** is a fascinating course on archaeology and a spiritual guide to see how the past projects the future.

SHEMA!
Written by a professor of Hebrew and Old Testament Exegesis, **SHEMA!** is the ADC course talking about God, life, and Scriptures from a specific Hebrew perspective. It is designed for students of a Jewish heritage and for Christians wishing to rediscover their Jewish roots.

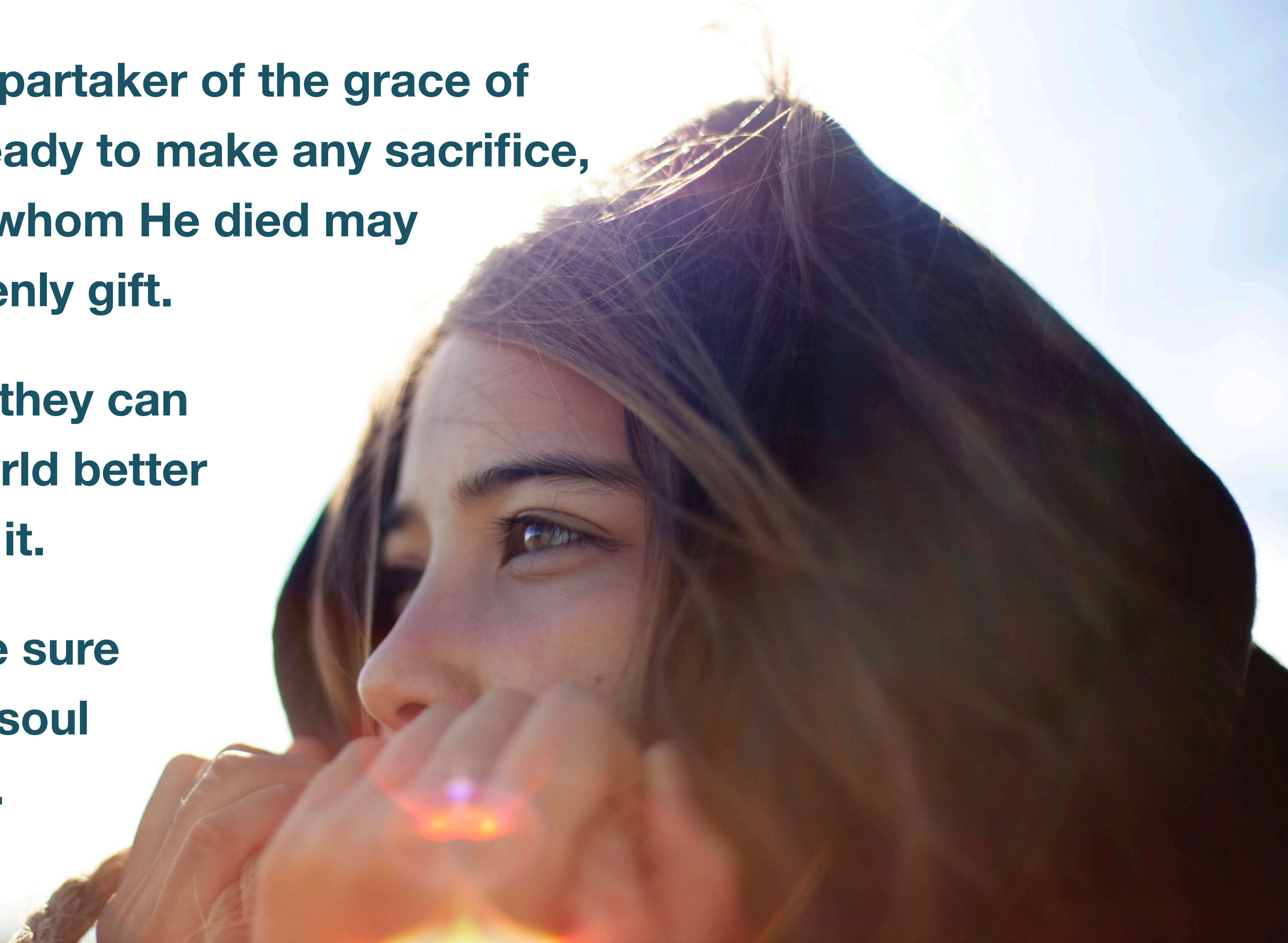
PROPHETS & BOOKS
Few people imagine there is any bridge between the sacred pages of the world's largest religions. **Prophets and Books** was written for the Muslim student, helping to see the Bible as valid Scriptures by using the Qur'anic evidence itself.

LET'S EXPLORE!
This course helps children (7-12 years) to learn about God and the world in a fun and relational way. Children and teenagers may try our introductory courses such as **Start into Life** and **Message of Truth**.

Those who are partaker of the grace of Christ will be ready to make any sacrifice, that others for whom He died may share the heavenly gift.

They will do all they can to make the world better for their stay in it.

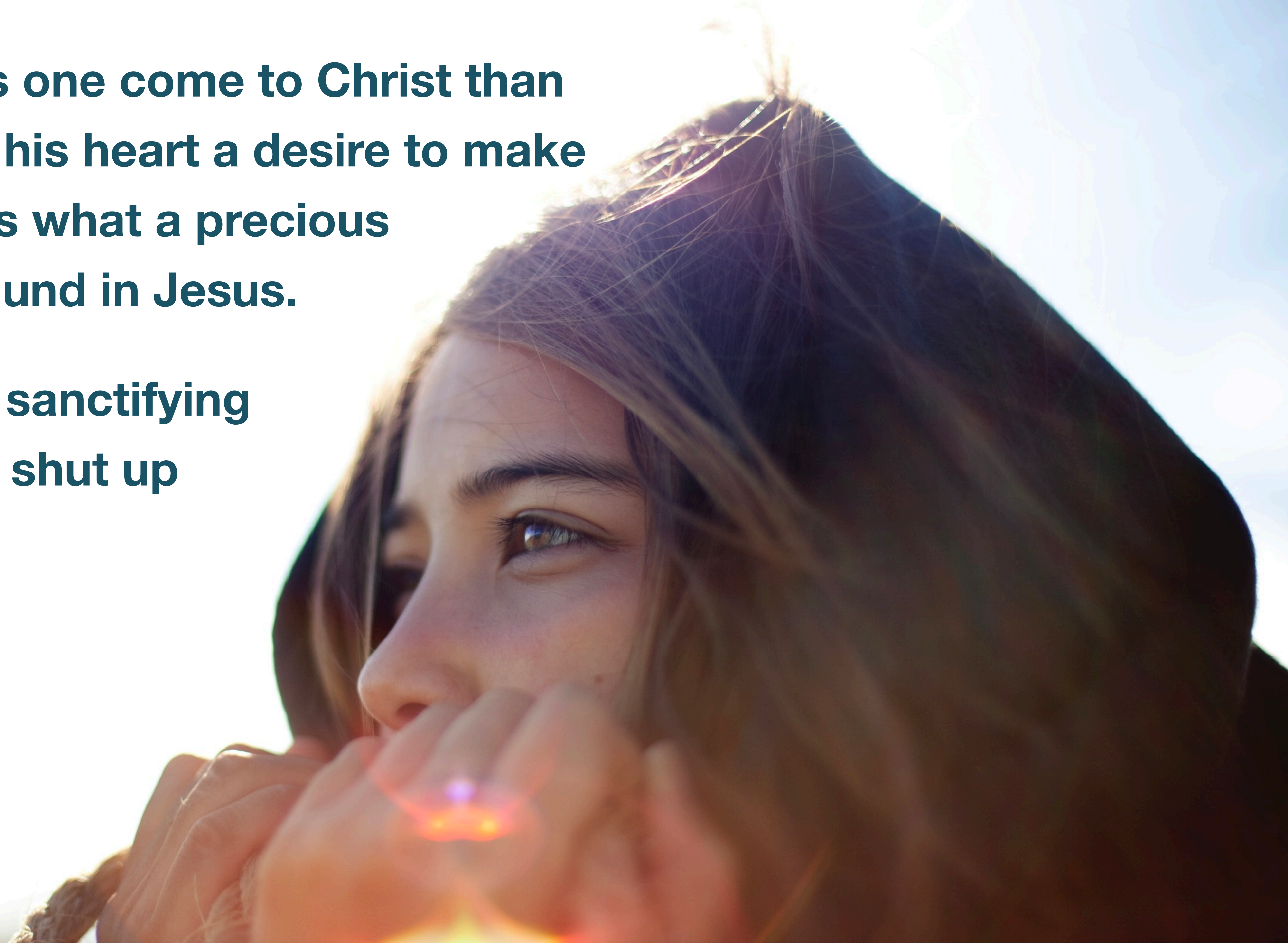
This spirit is the sure outgrowth of a soul truly converted.



No sooner does one come to Christ than there is born in his heart a desire to make known to others what a precious friend he has found in Jesus.

The saving and sanctifying truth cannot be shut up in his heart.

*(Ellen G. White,
Steps to Christ)*



JOURNEY

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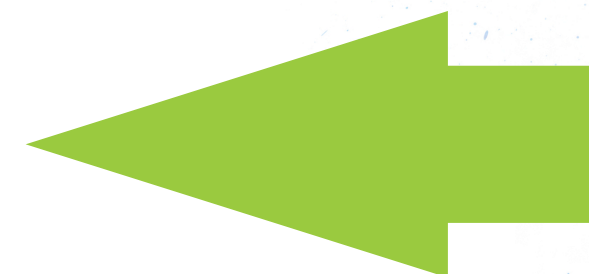
Student registration

Completion of FreeBible / Course

Follow up with other courses (resources)

Questions about church

Visit to/from the church





Jesus said:

"My prayer is not for them alone.
I pray also for those who will believe
in me **through** their message." John 17:20



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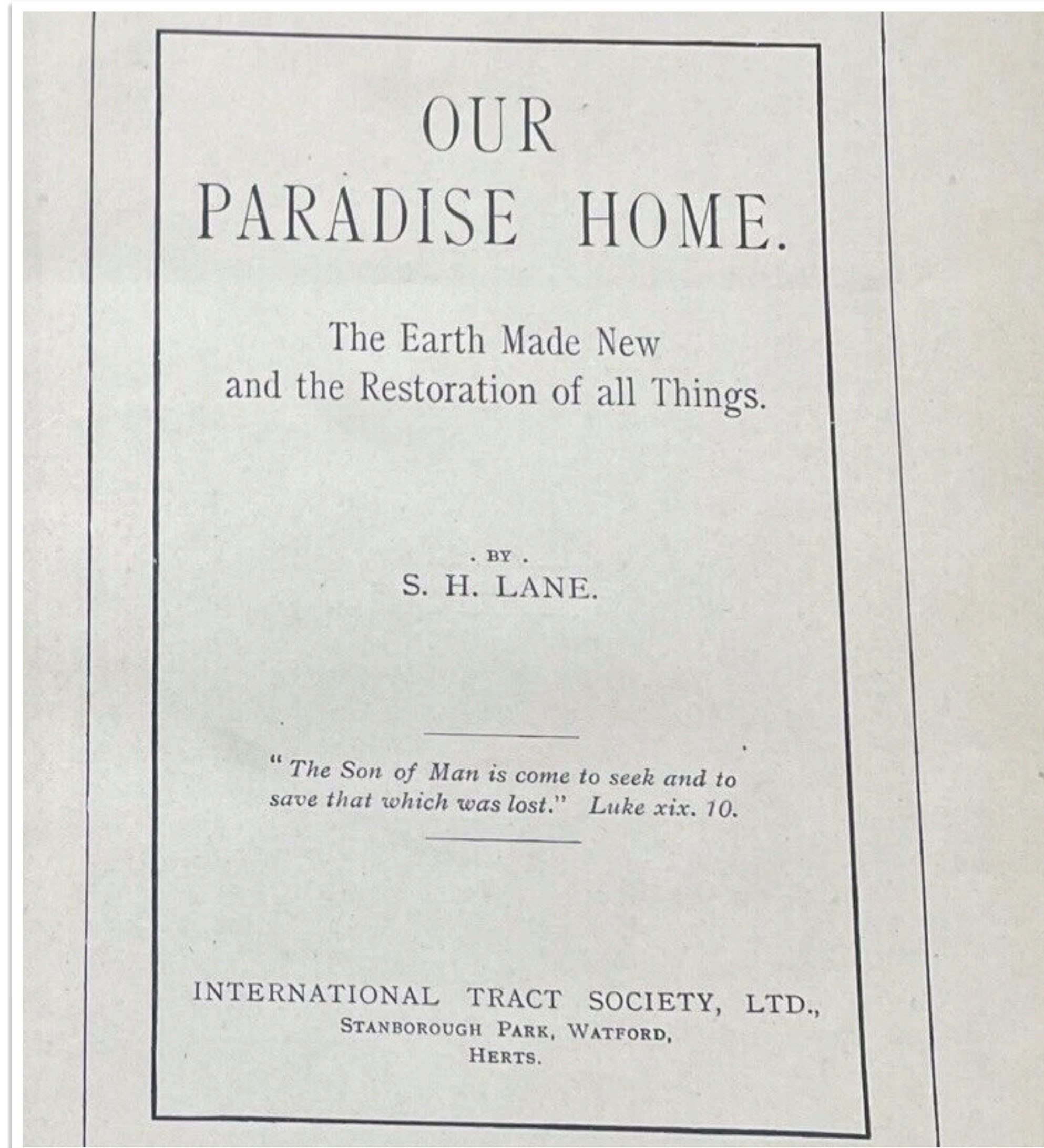
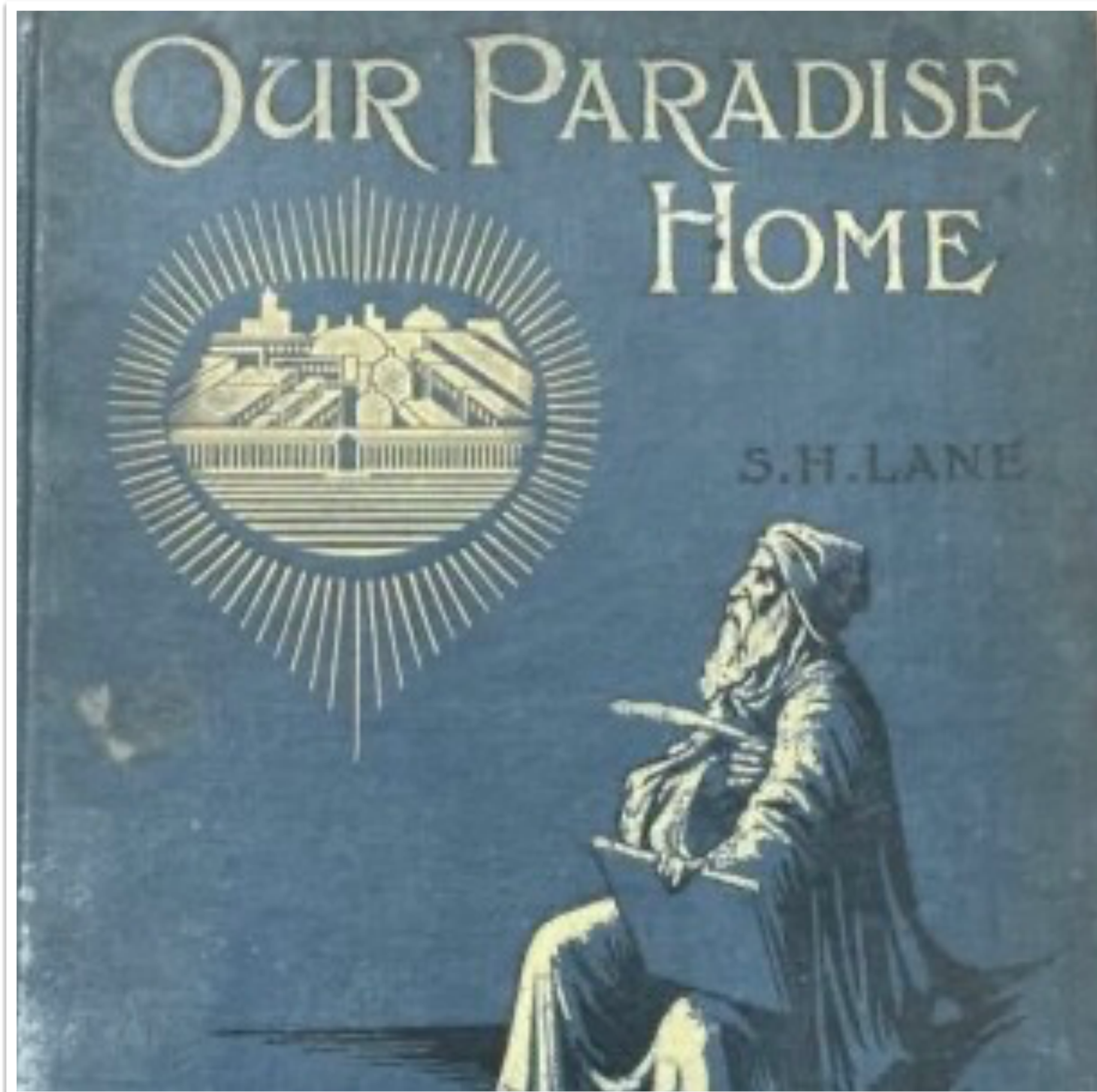
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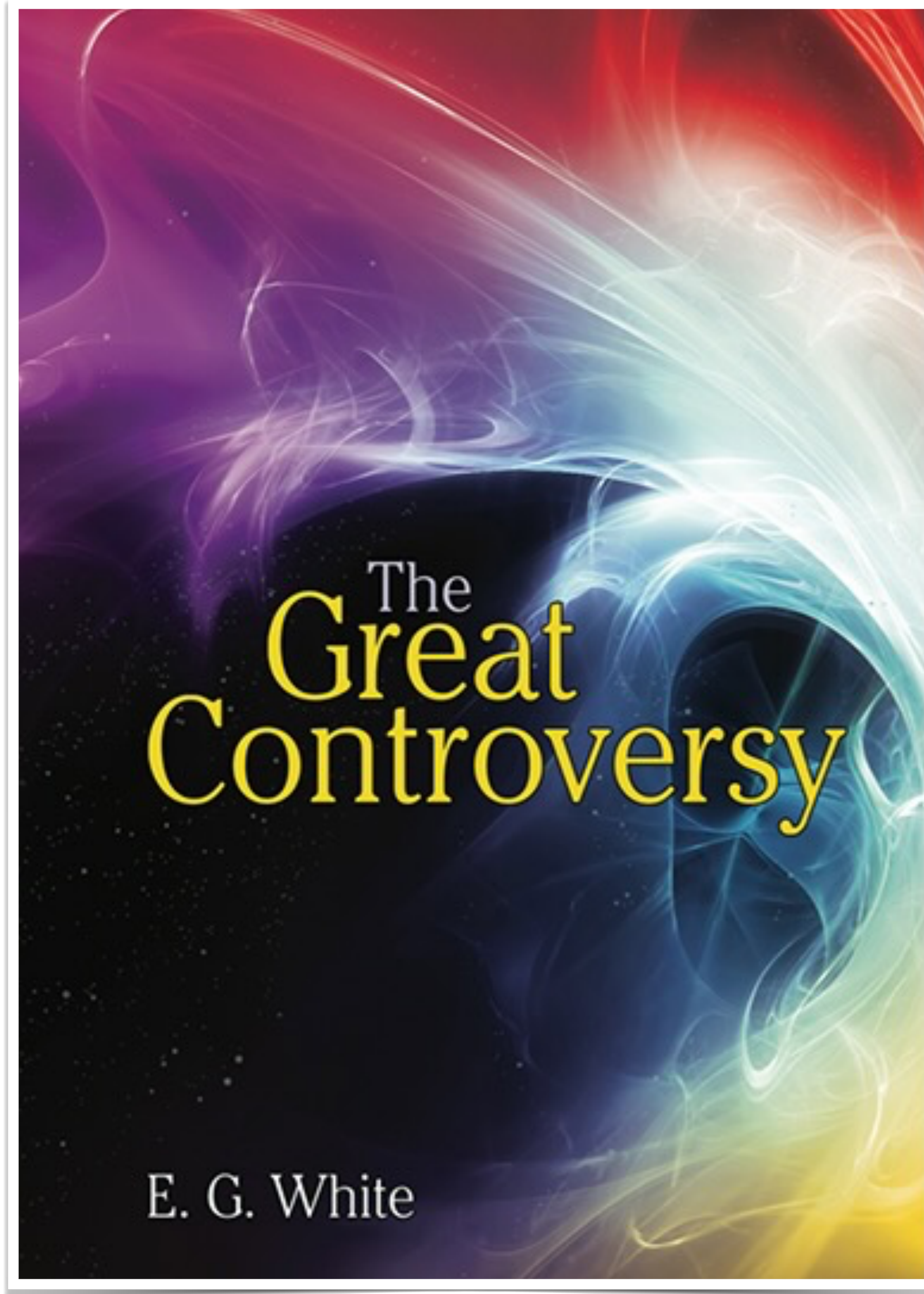
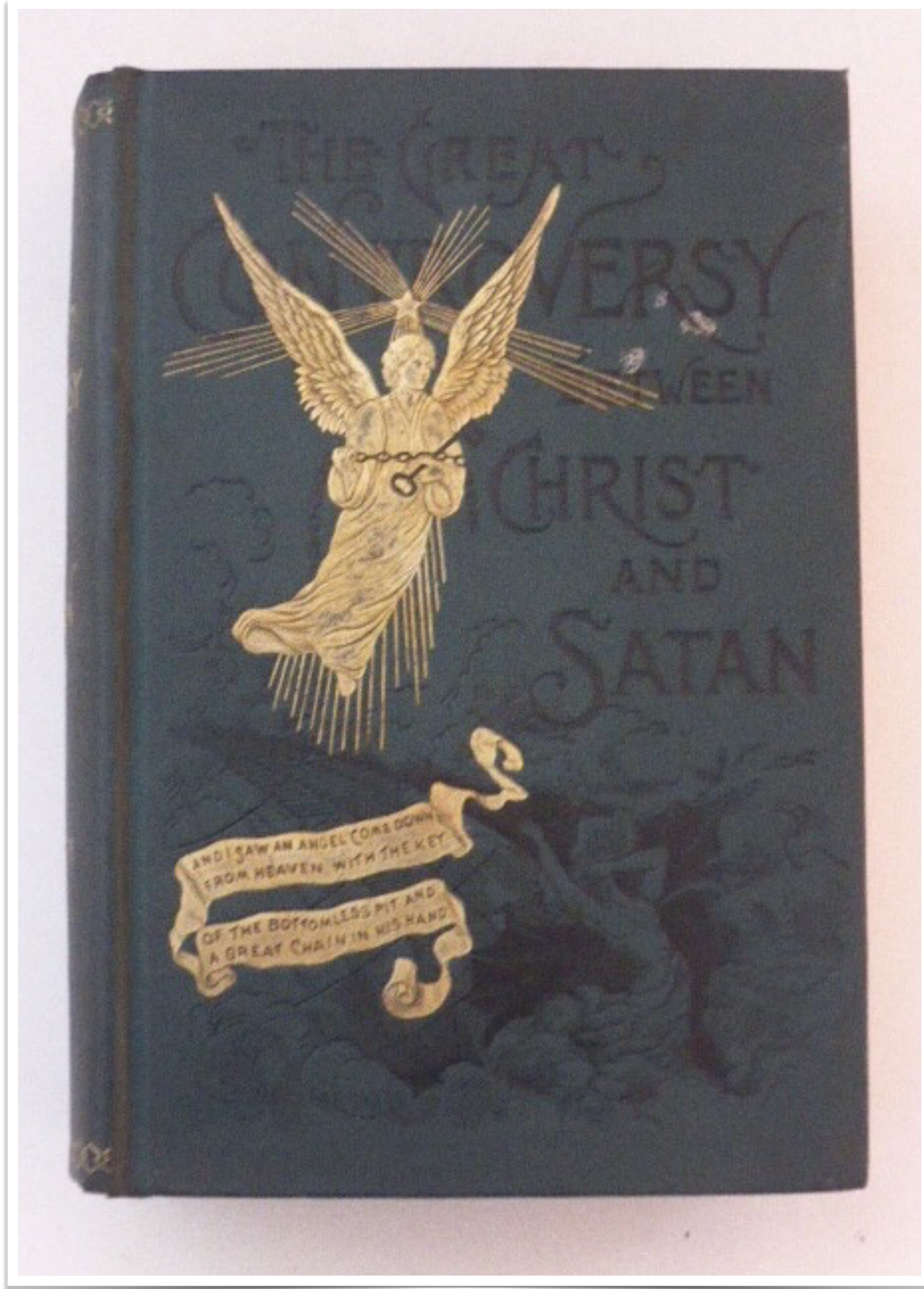
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IF YOU CANNOT PREACH LIKE ANGELS

**“Go, stand in the temple courts, and tell
the people all about this new life.”**

(Acts 5:20)