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“Abandoned Love”

Revelation 2.1-7





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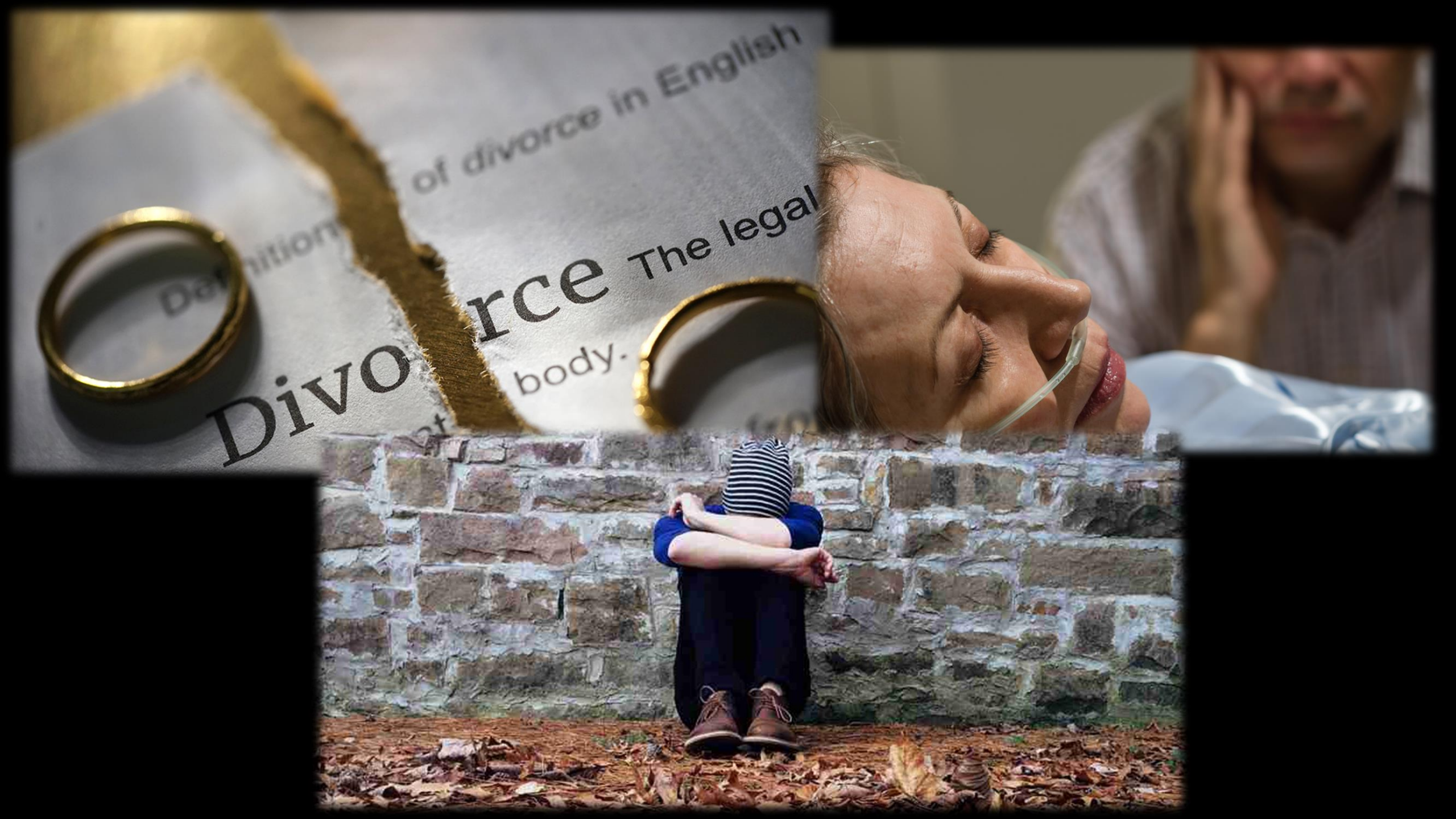
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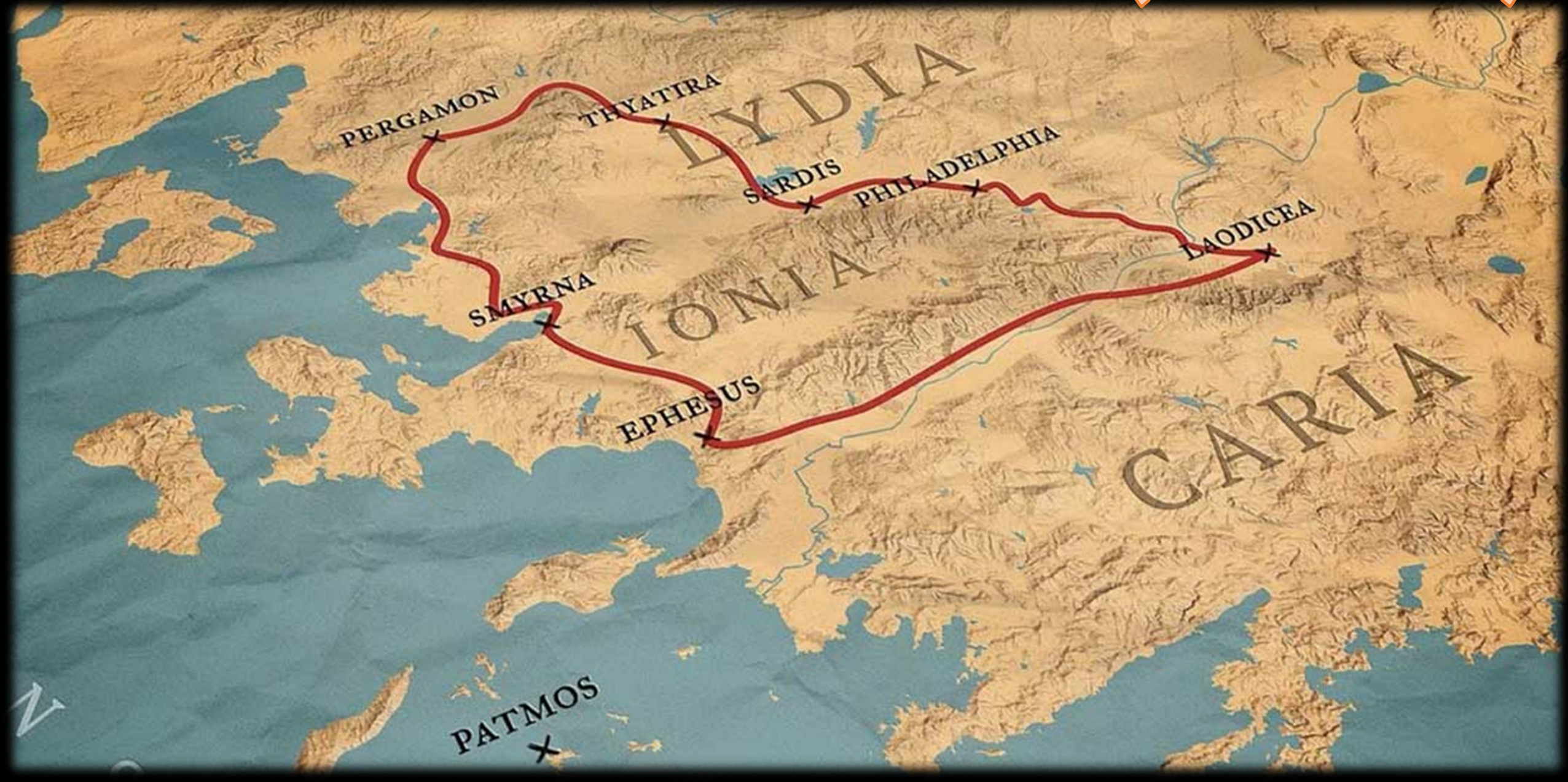
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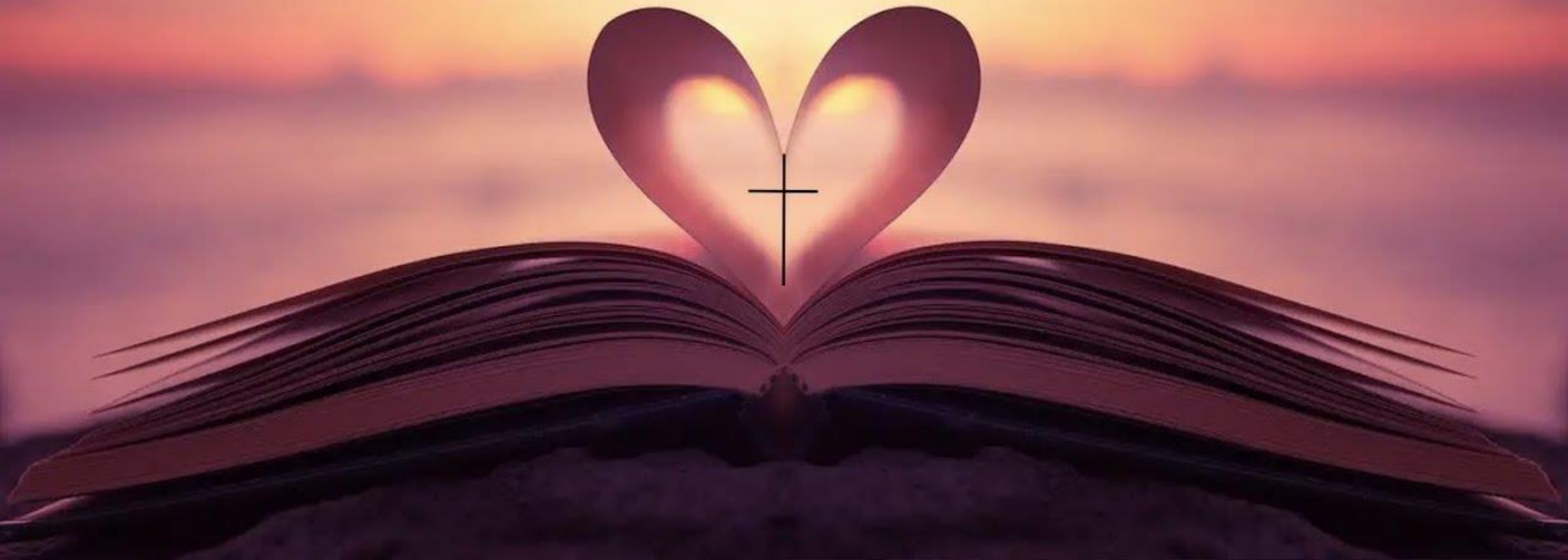
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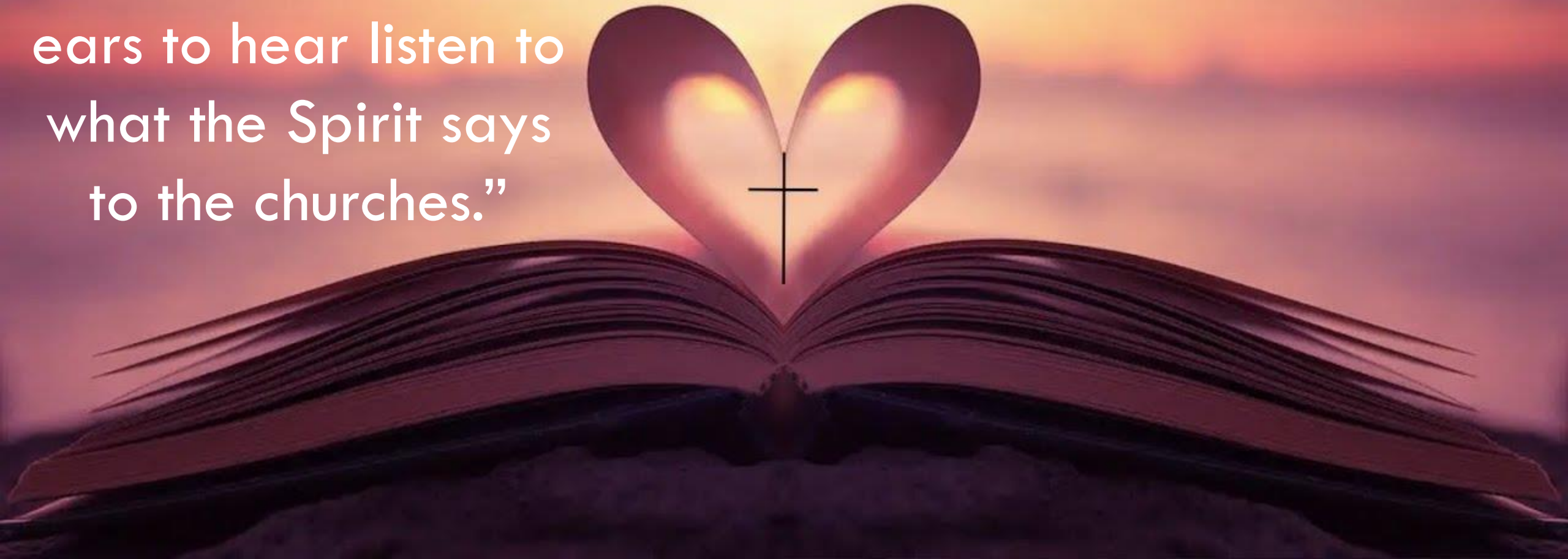
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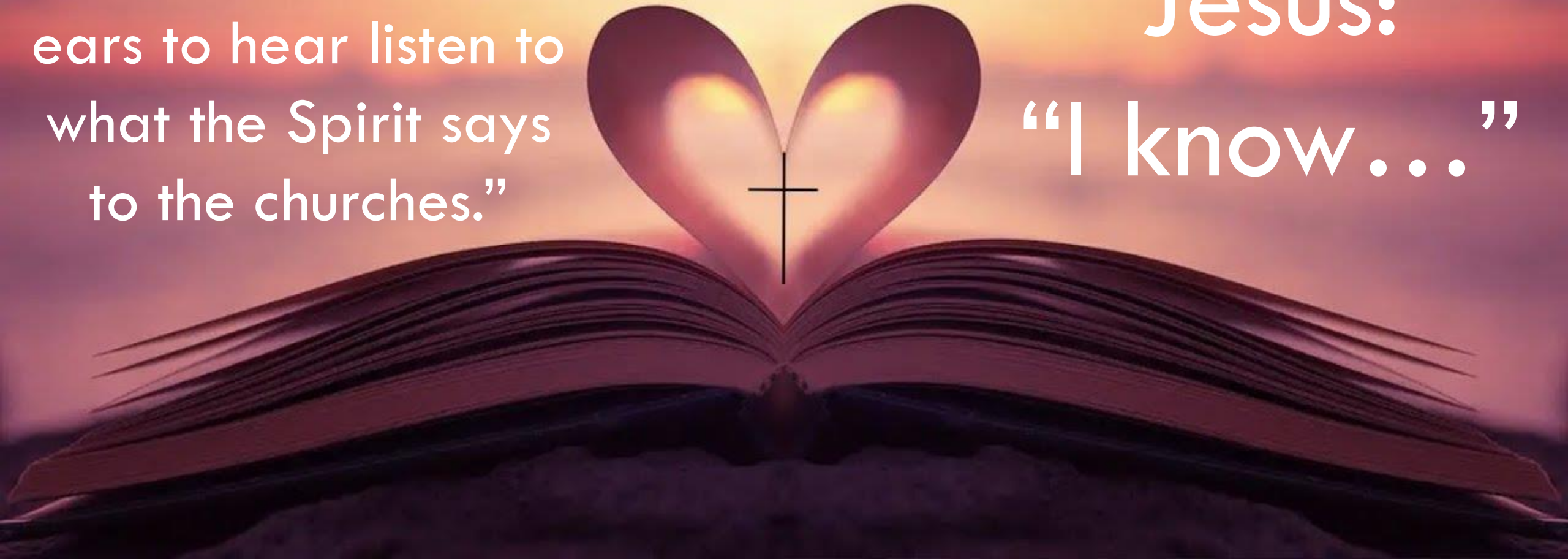
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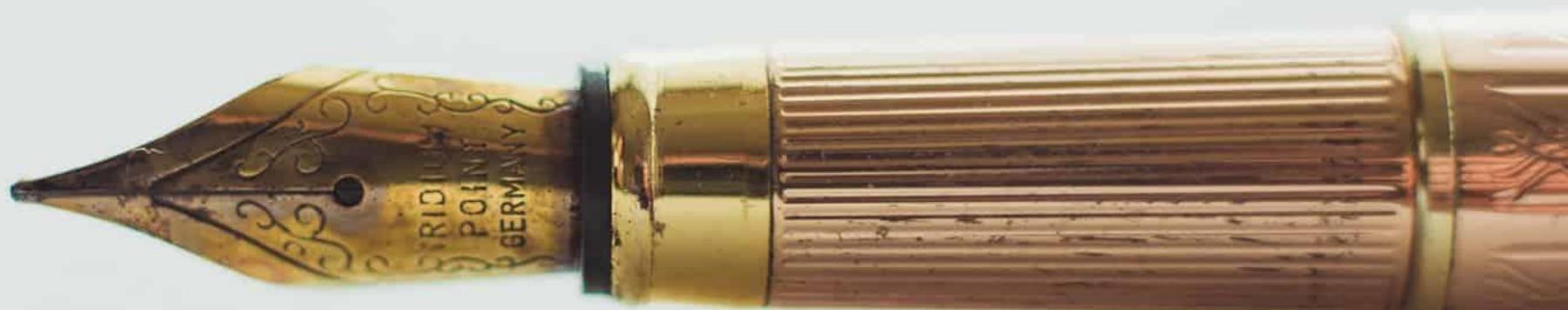
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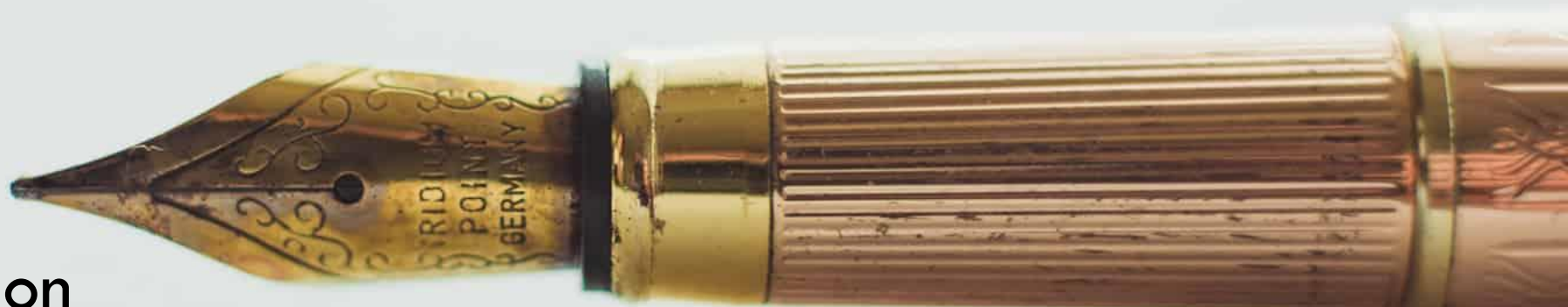
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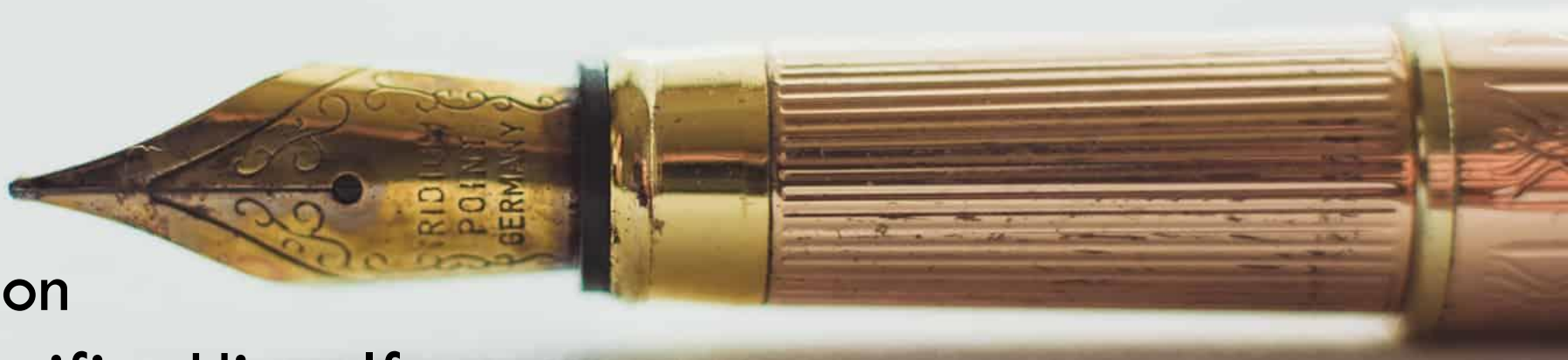


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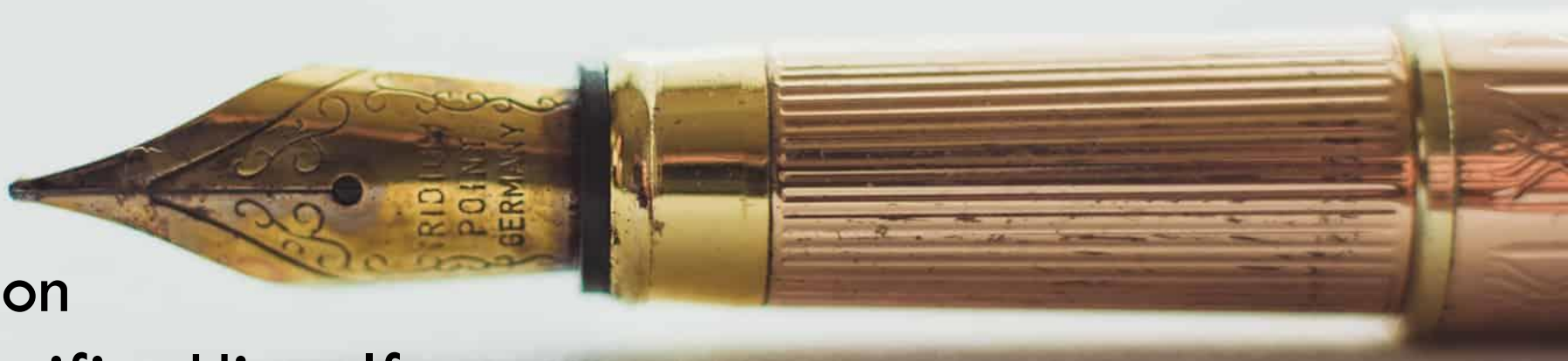
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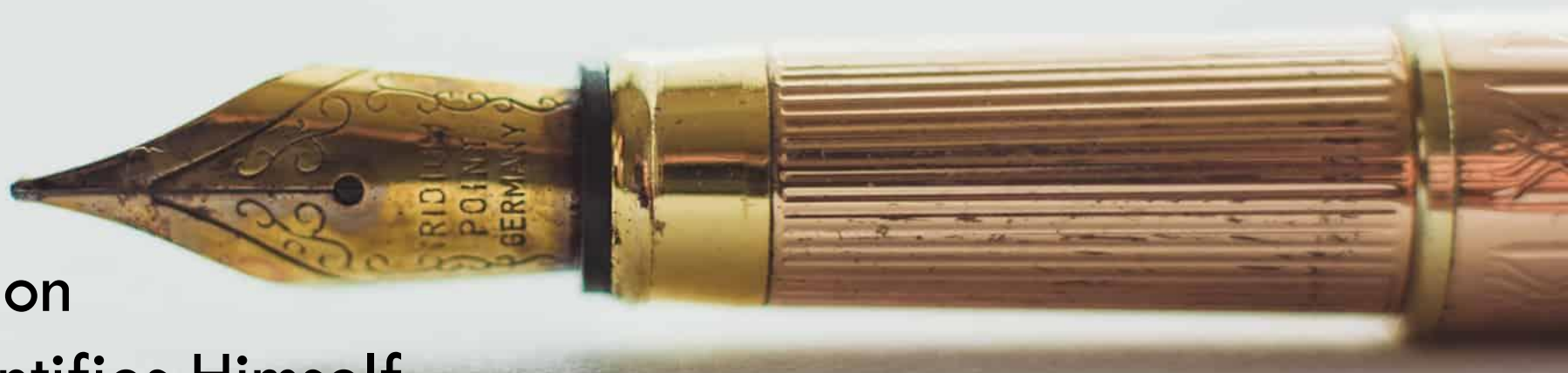
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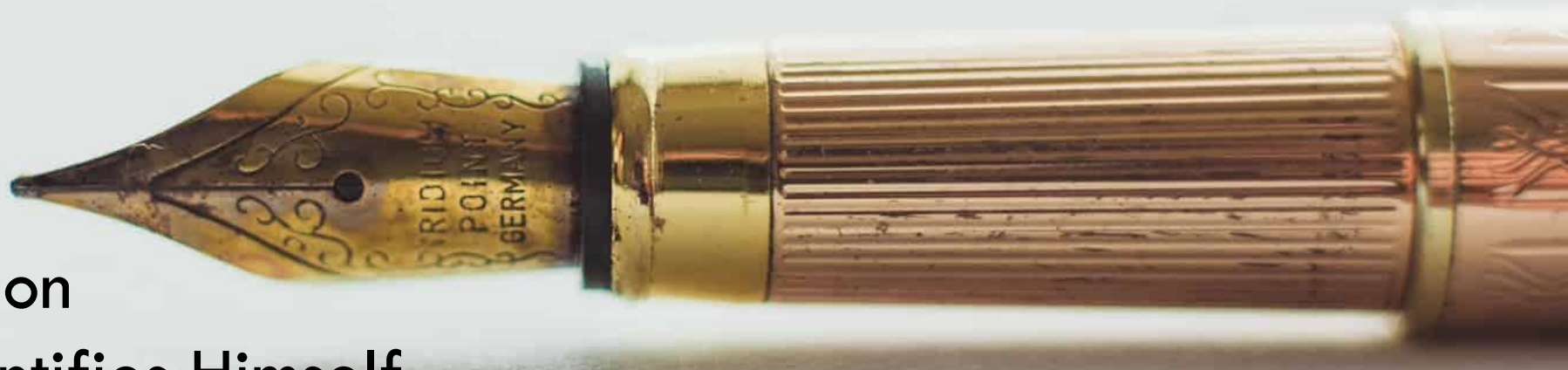
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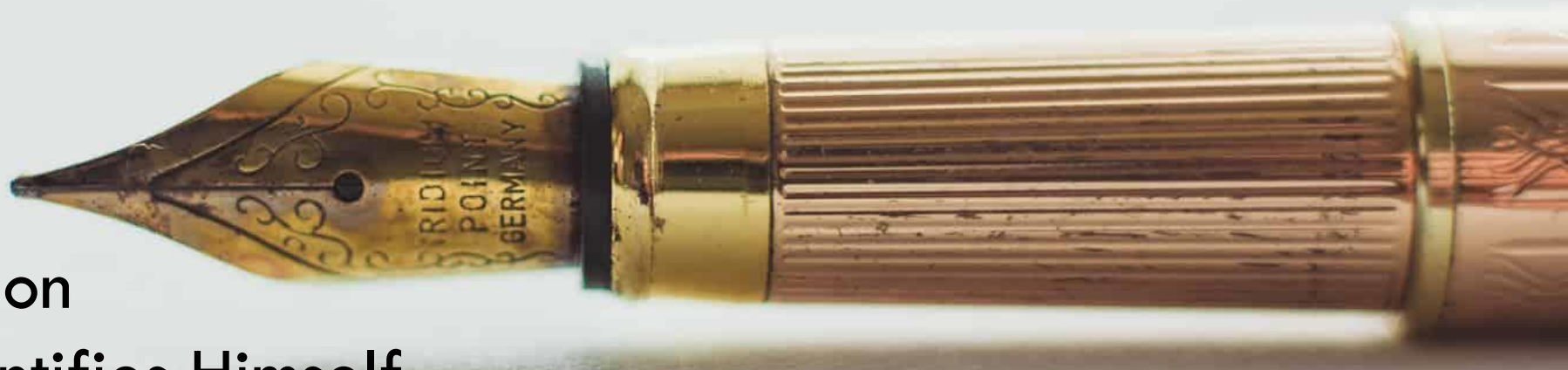
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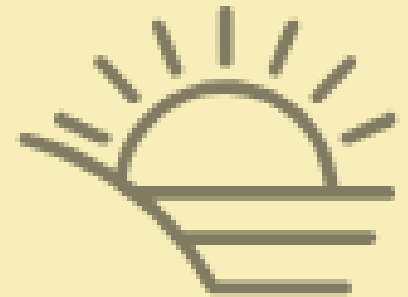
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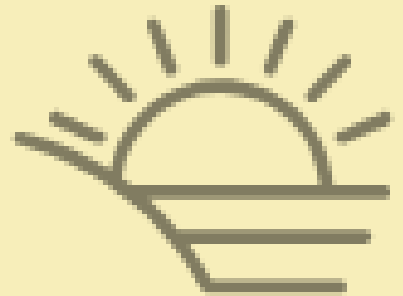
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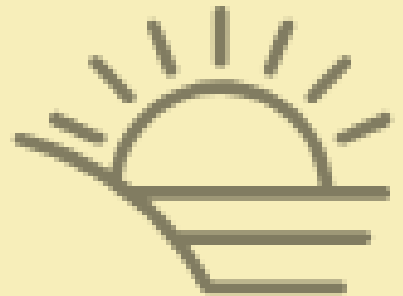
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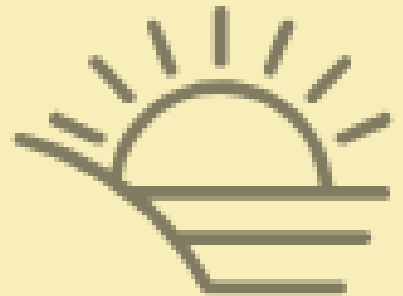


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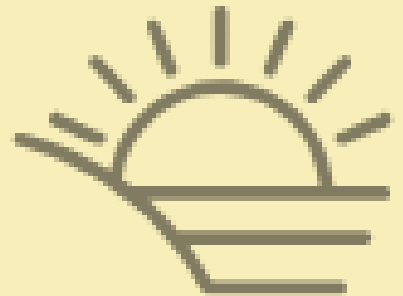
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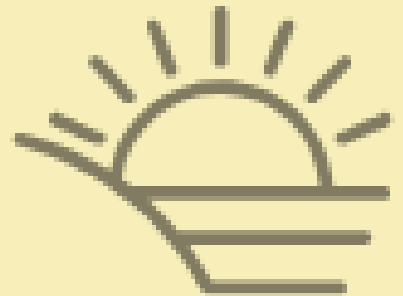
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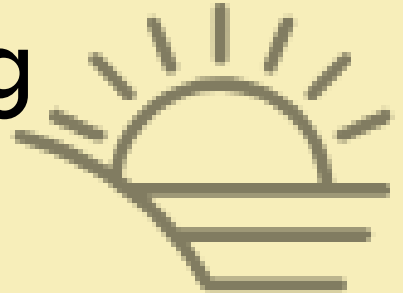
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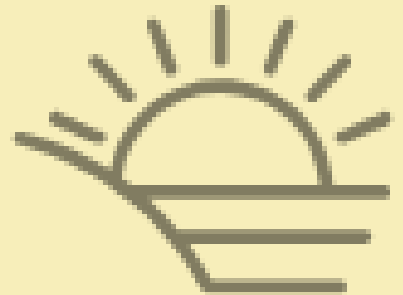
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- Hebrews 1.14 Are they (*angels*) not all ministering spirits sent out to serve those who are going to inherit salvation?



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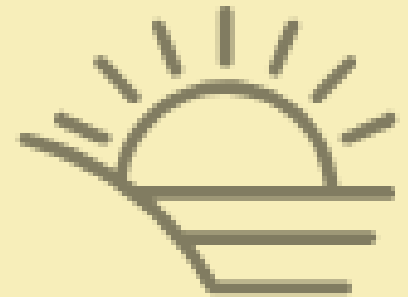
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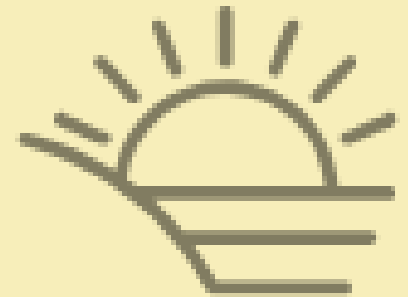
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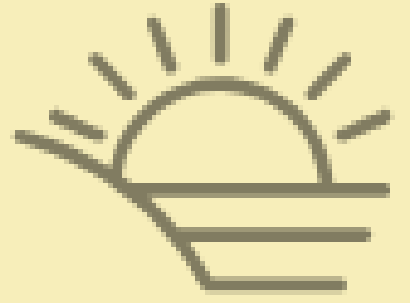


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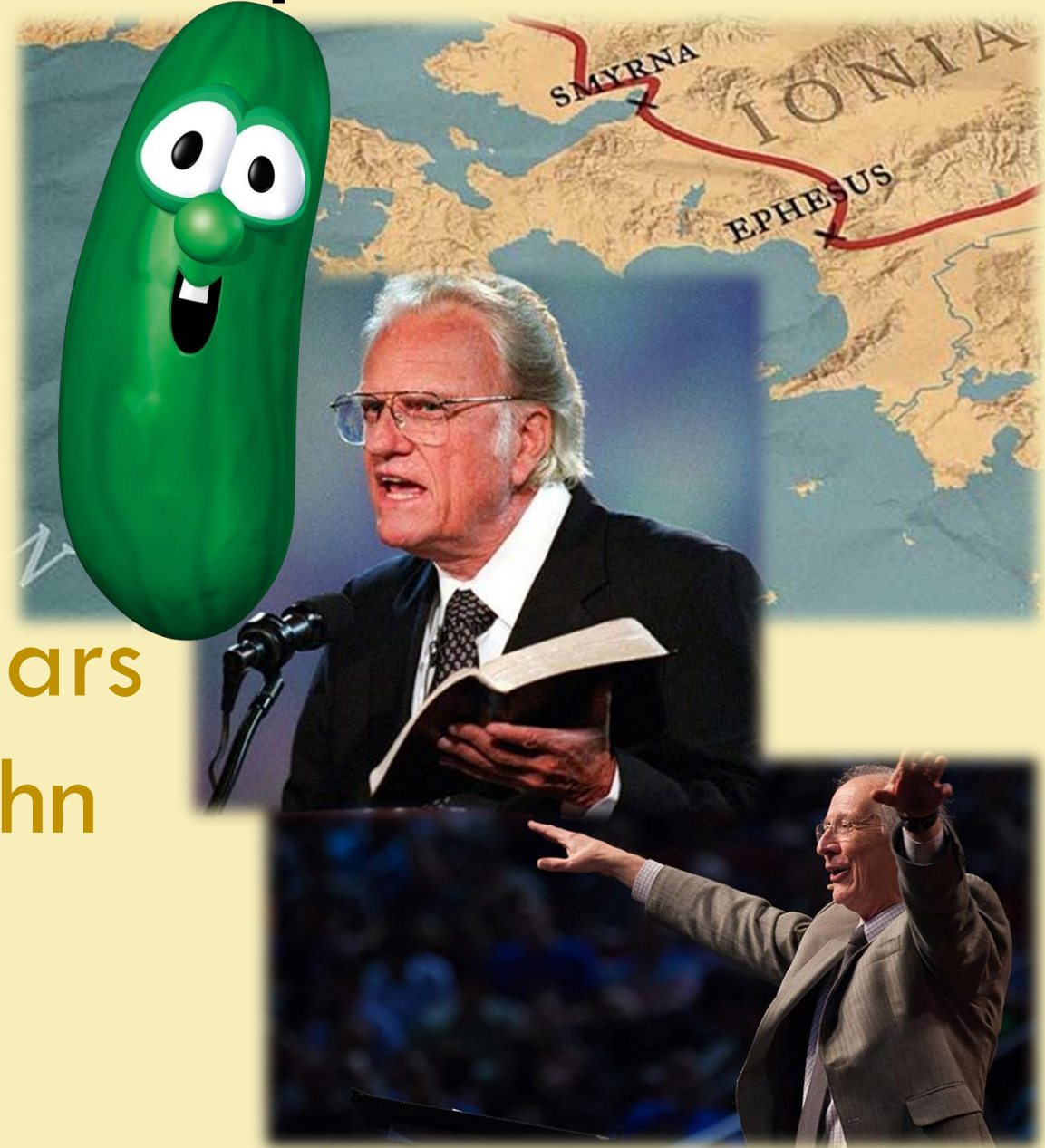


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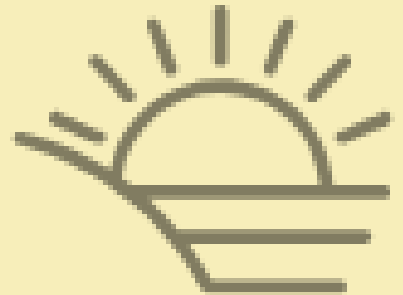


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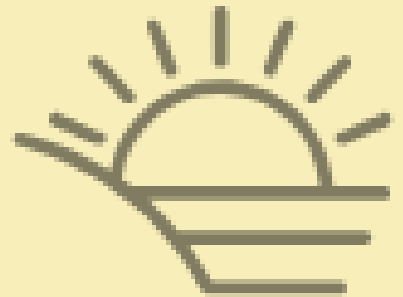
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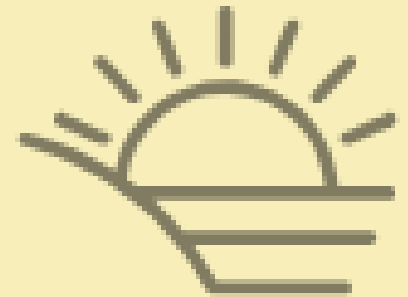


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- I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand.

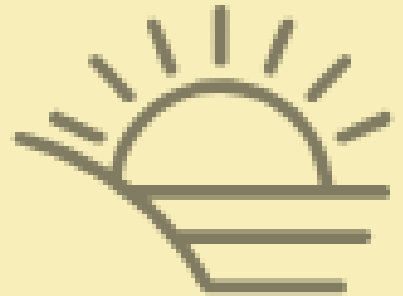


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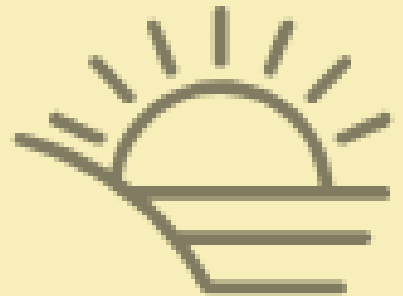
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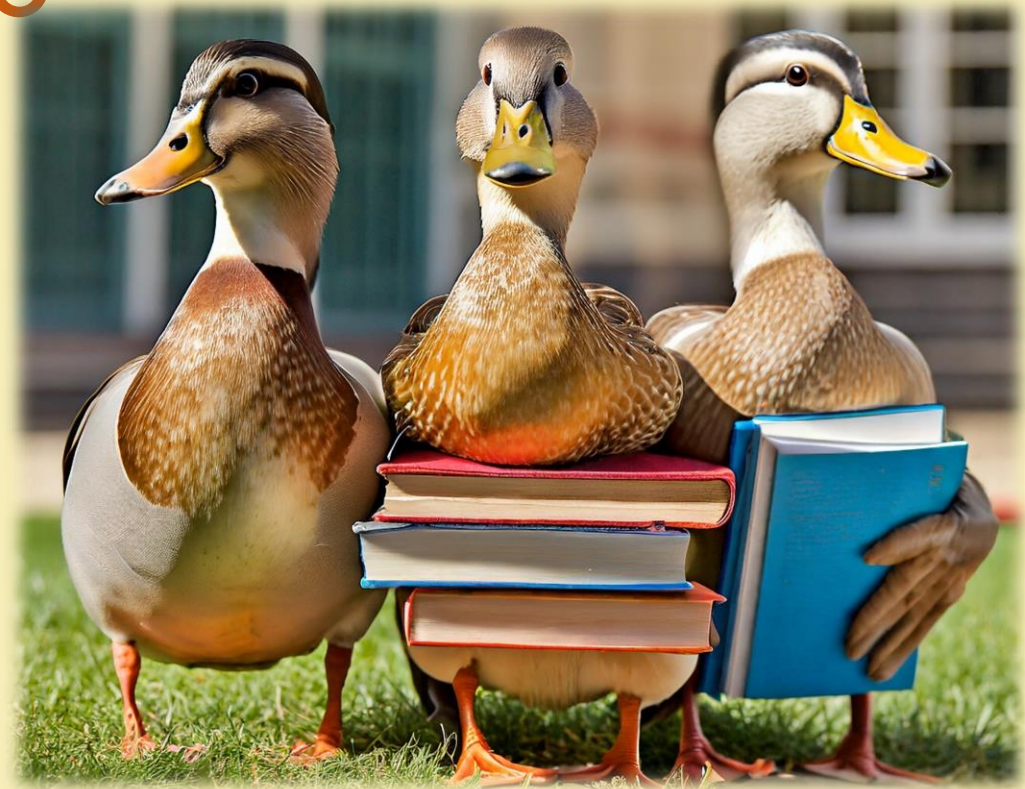
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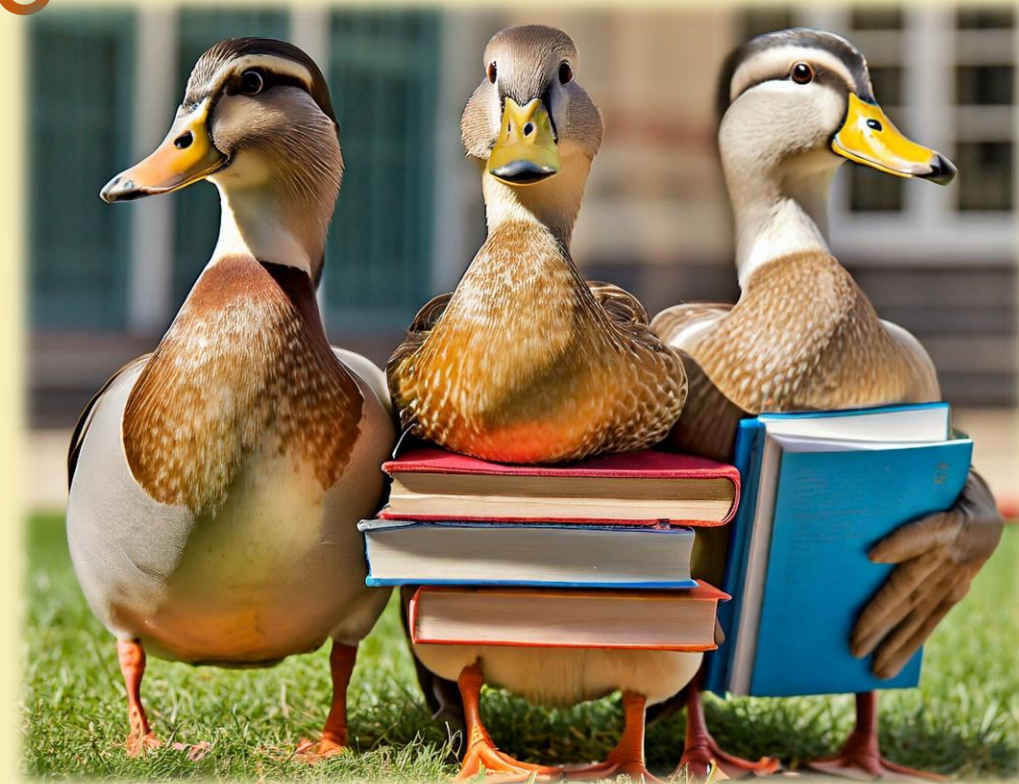
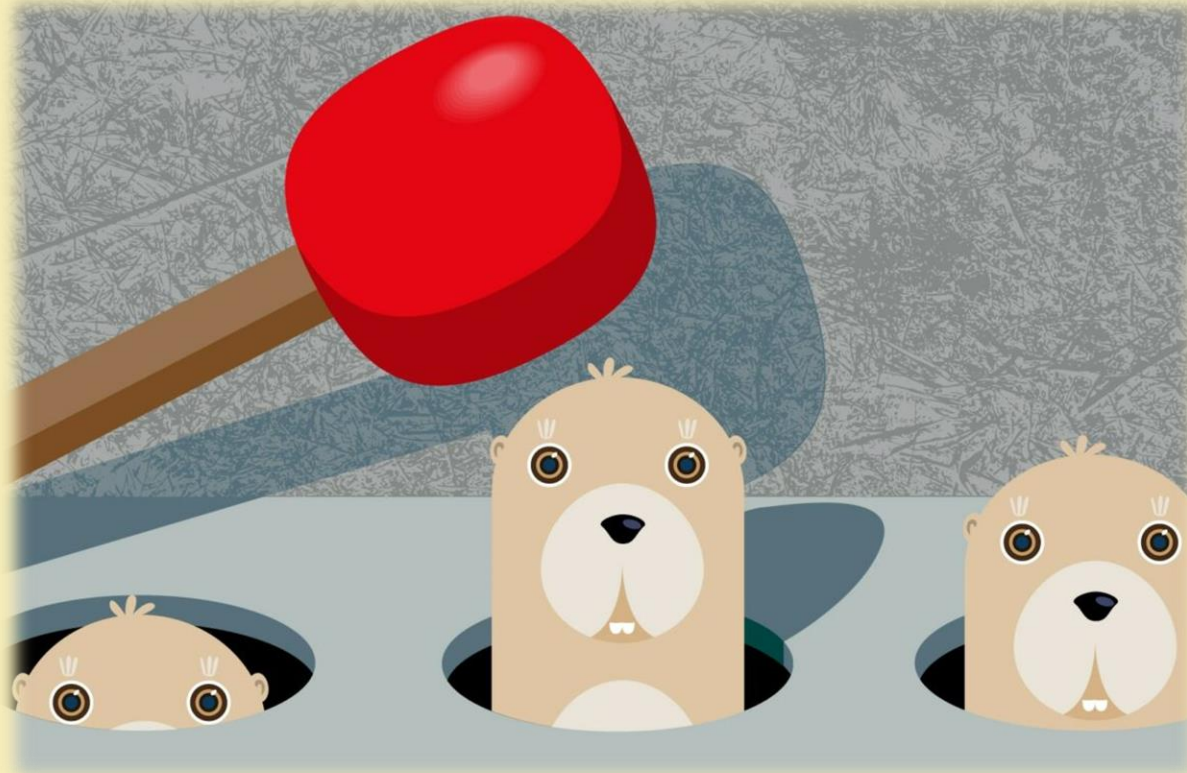
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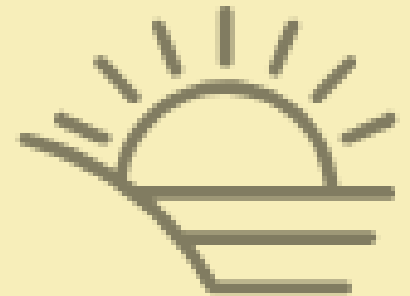
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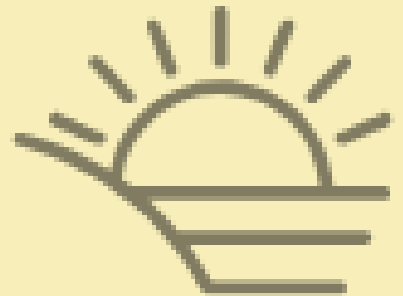


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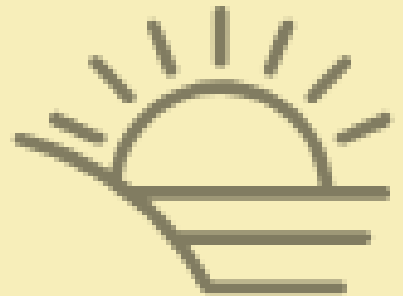
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- ⁴ “You don’t love me or each other as you did at first!”





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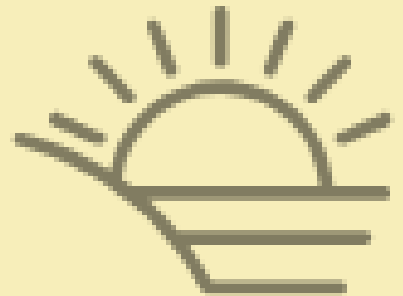
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Now the goal of our instruction
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1 Timothy 1.5

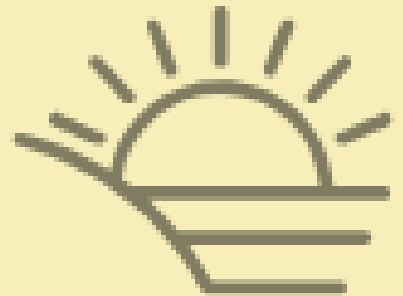
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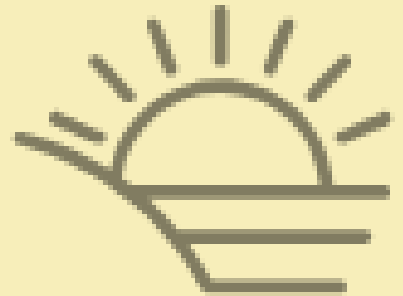
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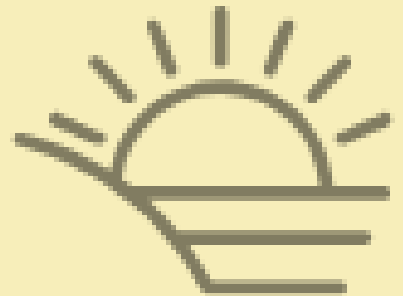
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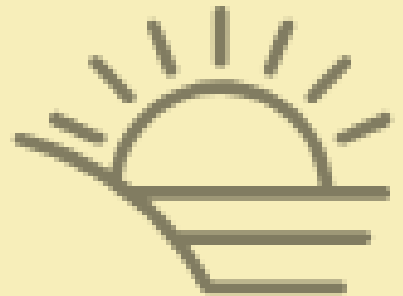


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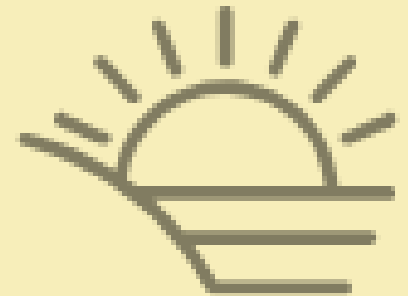
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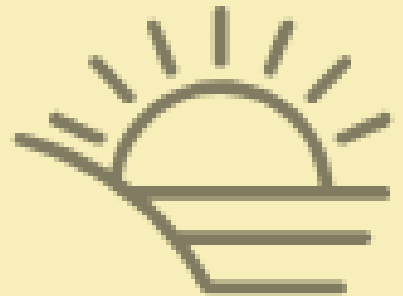




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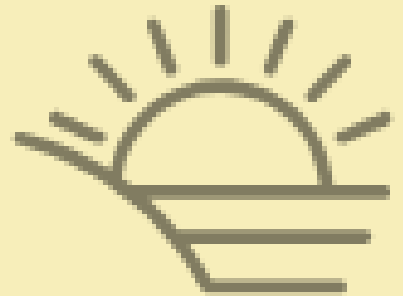
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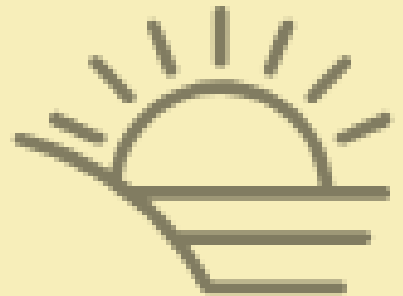
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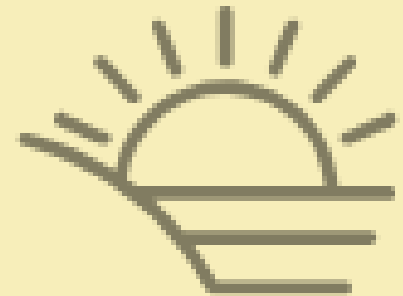
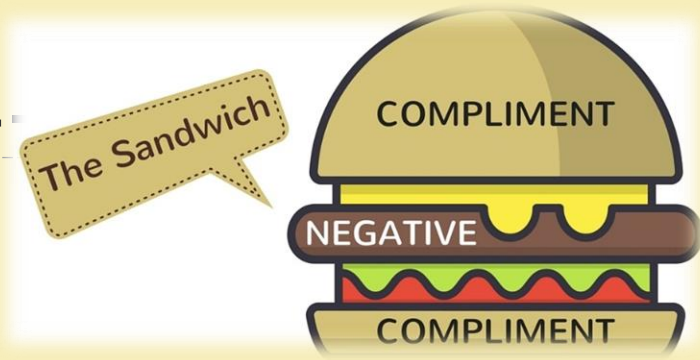
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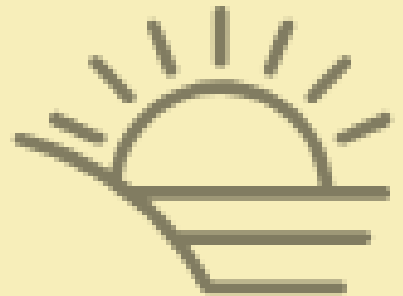
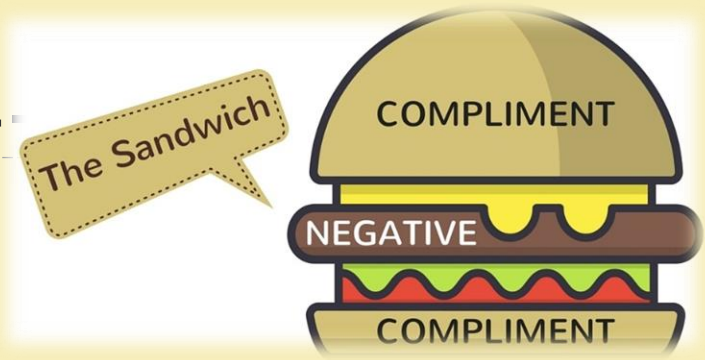
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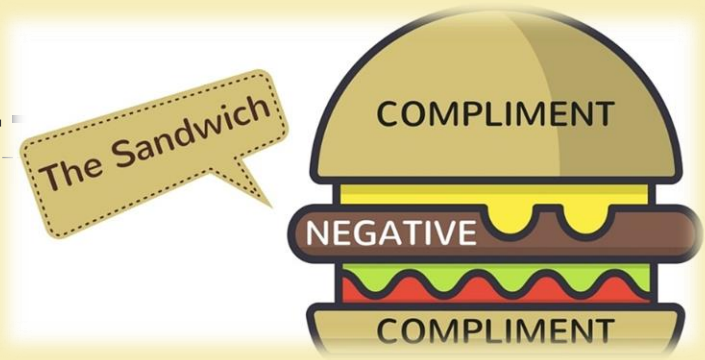
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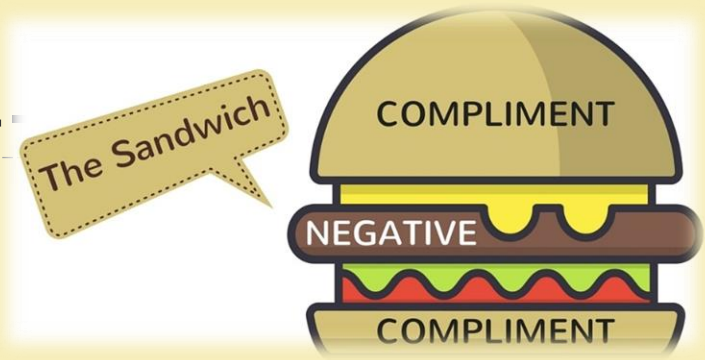
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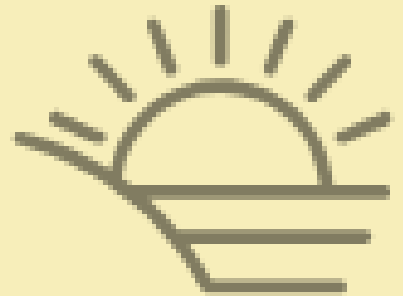


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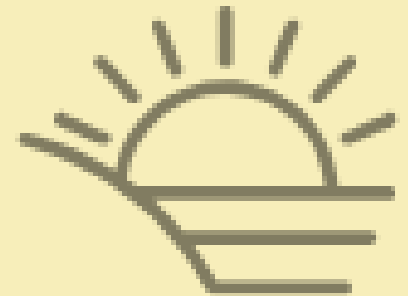


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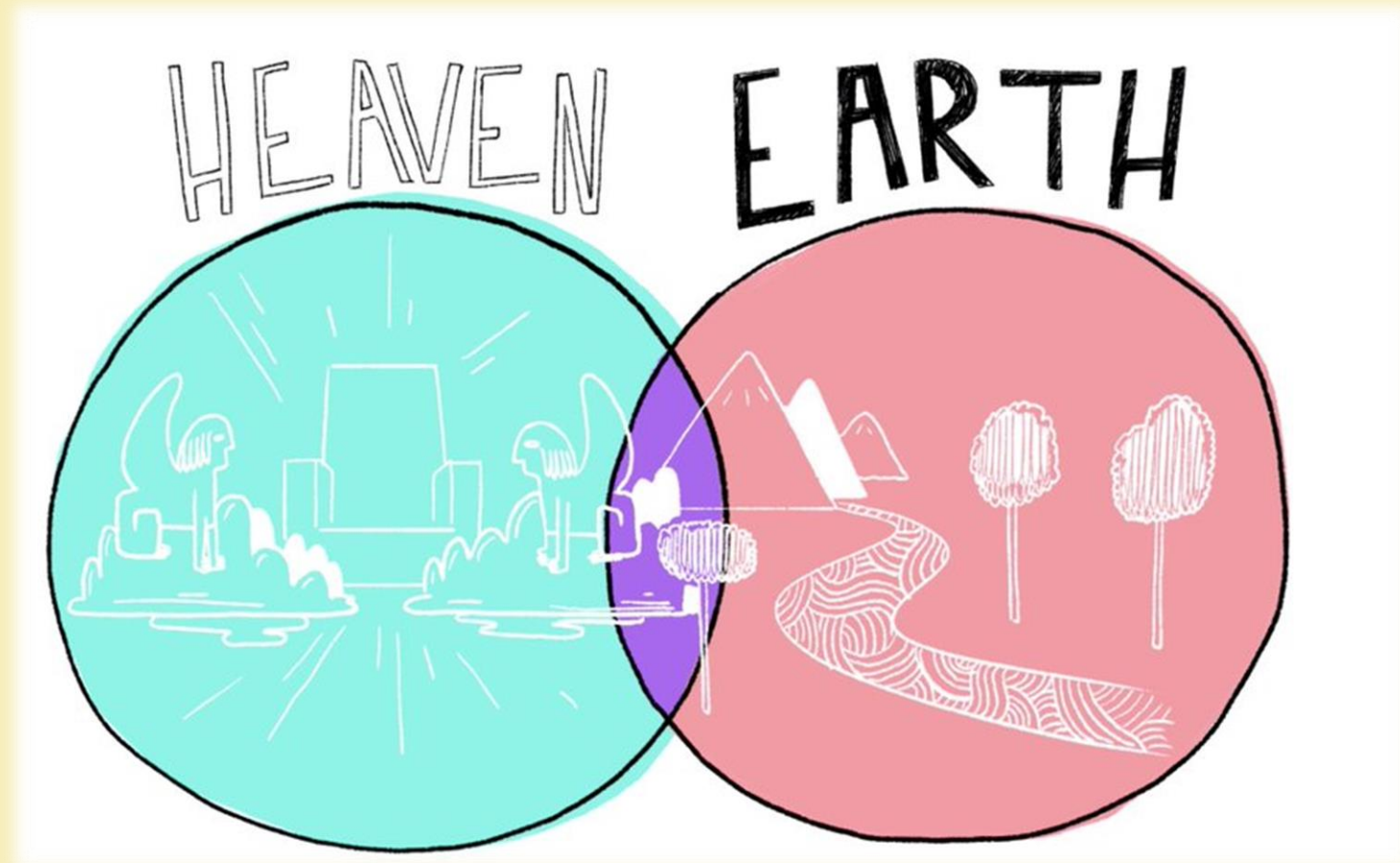


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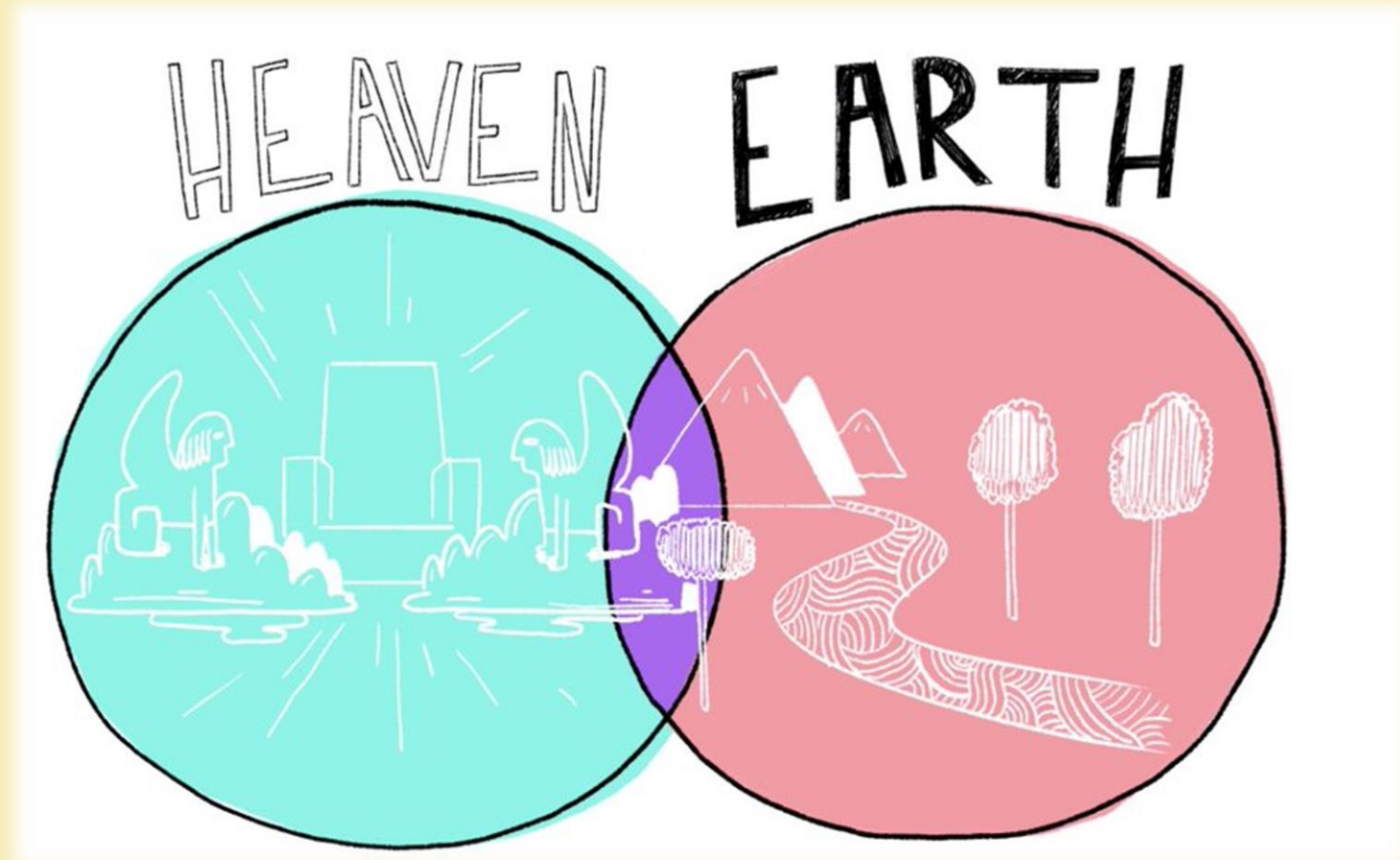
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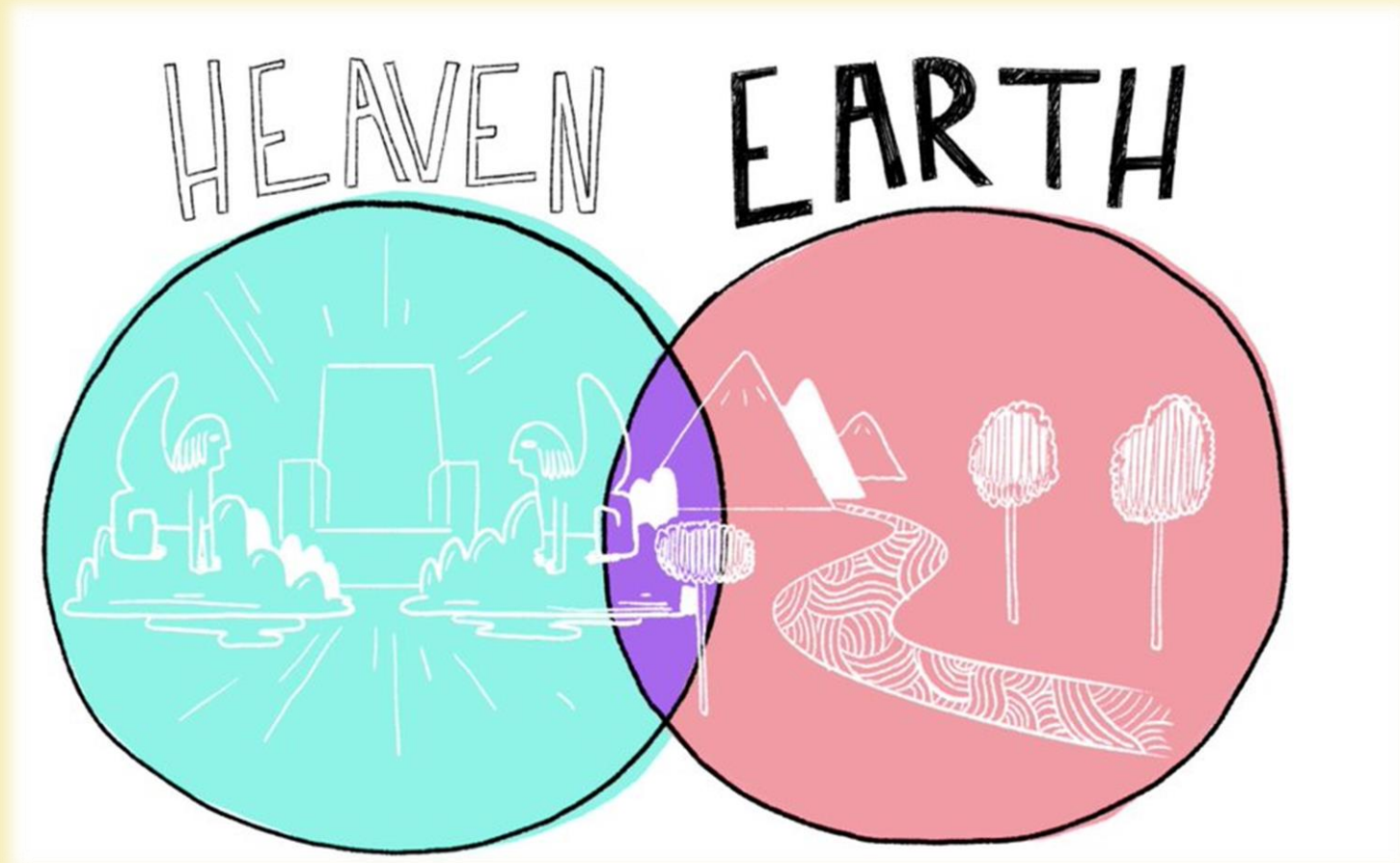


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Luke 14



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Revelation 3.21