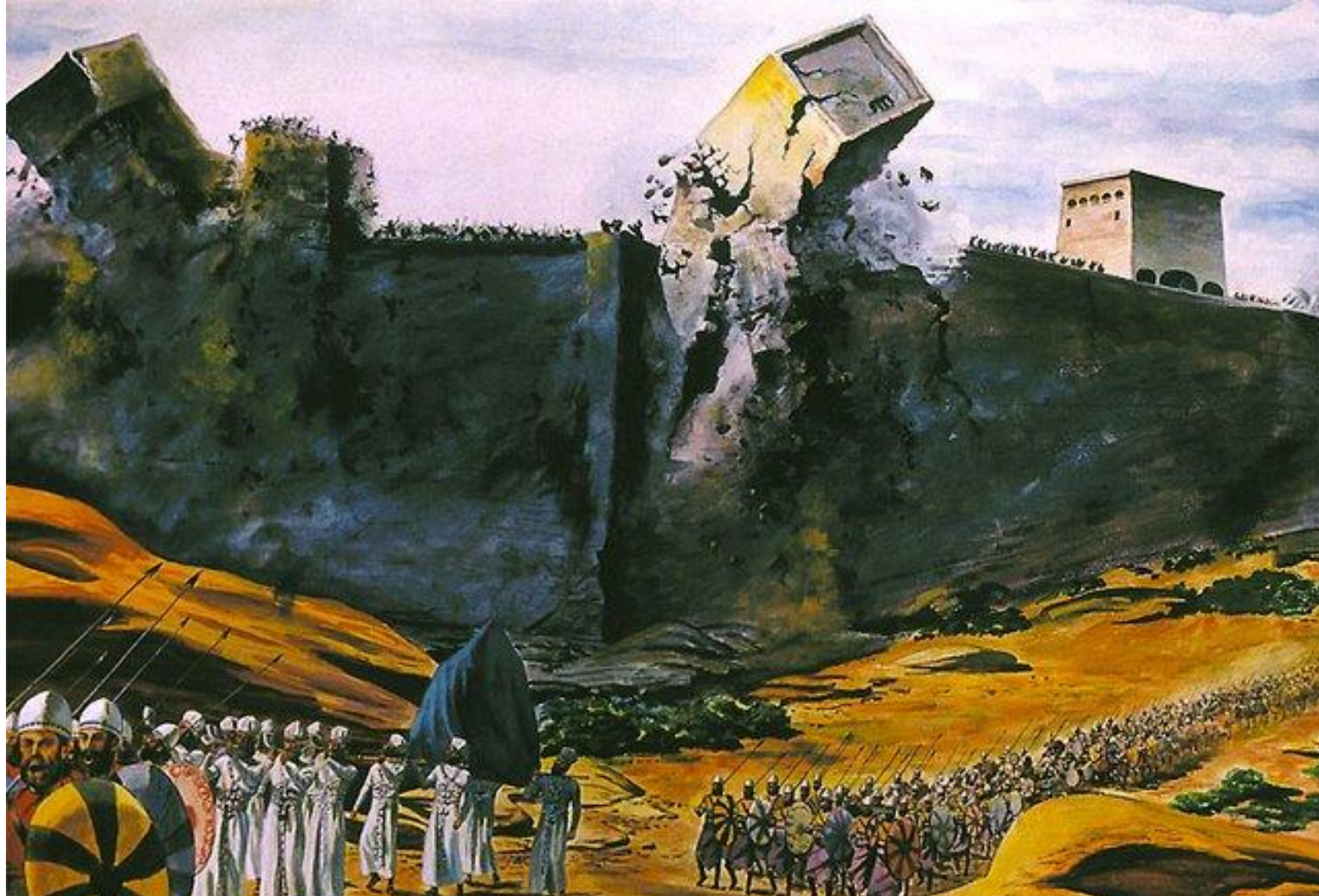


Joshua & Judges

Joshua 2; 5:13-6:25; Judges 2:6-23



PRAYER



Your Questions...?





Getting Started



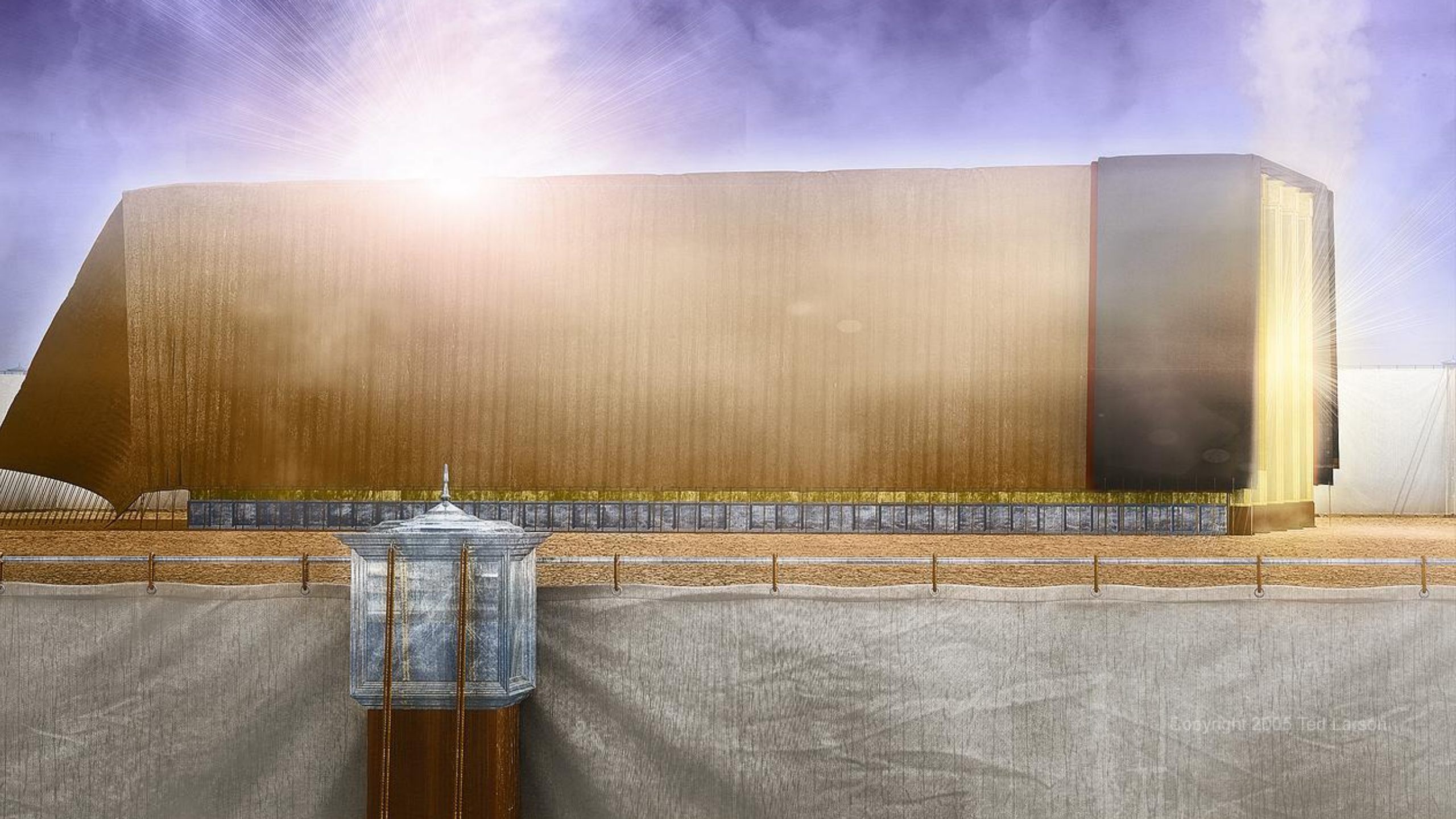
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- The LORD continued to lead and provide for his people





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- He instructed them how to worship him in a tent-temple called _____, in which his presence went with them as the pillar of cloud.



- He instructed them how to worship him in a tent-temple called the Tabernacle, in which his presence went with them as the pillar of cloud.





- Israelites were made to wander for _____ because they didn't trust that God would give them Canaan.



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- Moses and Aaron died near the border of Canaan and Joshua became the new leader.



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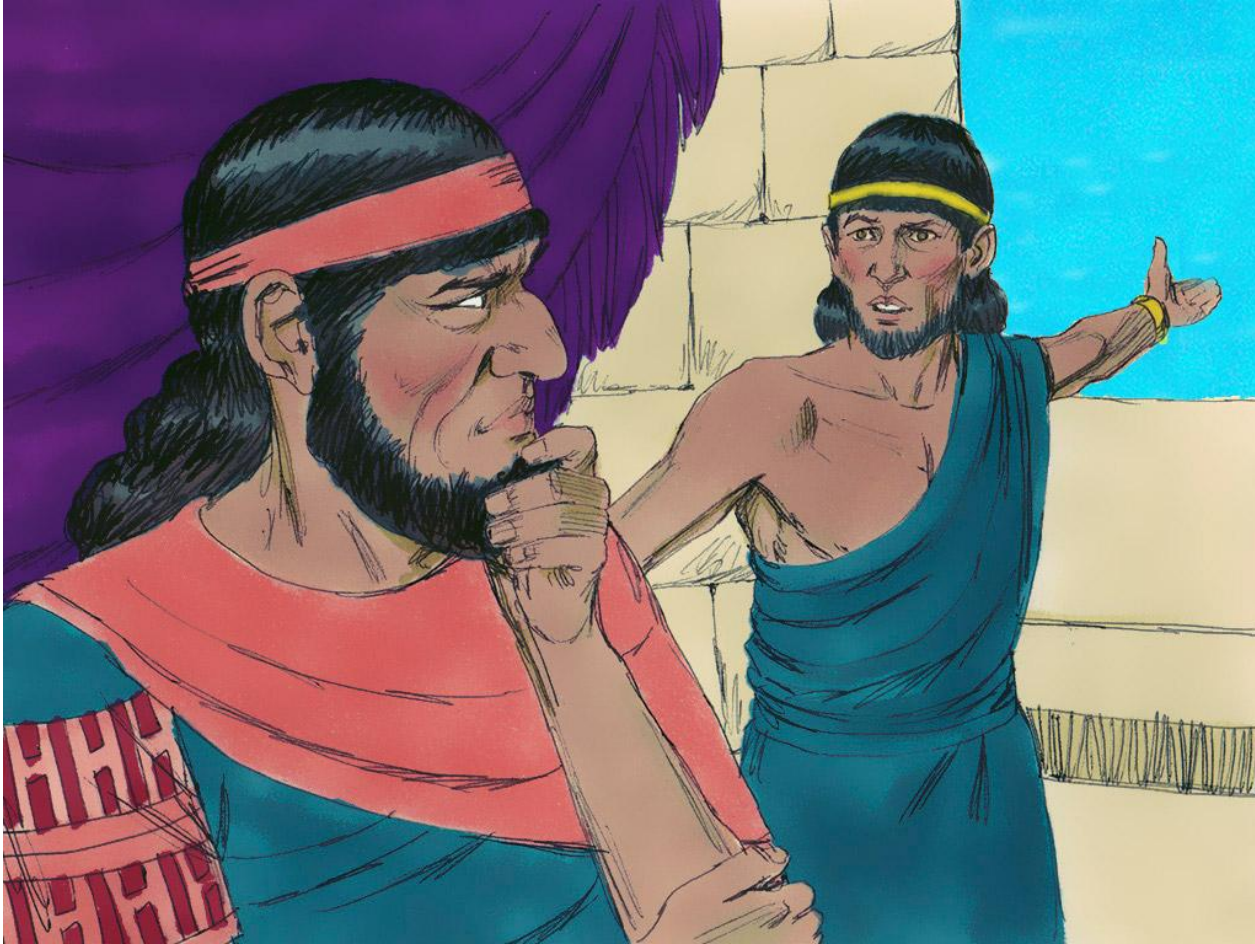




Overview: Joshua 2

1.) Joshua sent spies into the land. A prostitute named Rahab took them in and saved their lives. What were her reasons for doing this (vv. 8-13)?





a.) The Canaanites had heard what God had done to Egypt and were terrified.

b.) She had come to believe in the one true God.



c.) She wanted to save her family from death.



Overview: Joshua 5:13-6:25

1.) God performed another miracle by making a path for the Israelites to cross the Jordan River while it was at flood stage.





2.) An angelic messenger appears to encourage and direct Joshua. How does he identify himself (5:14, 6:2)?

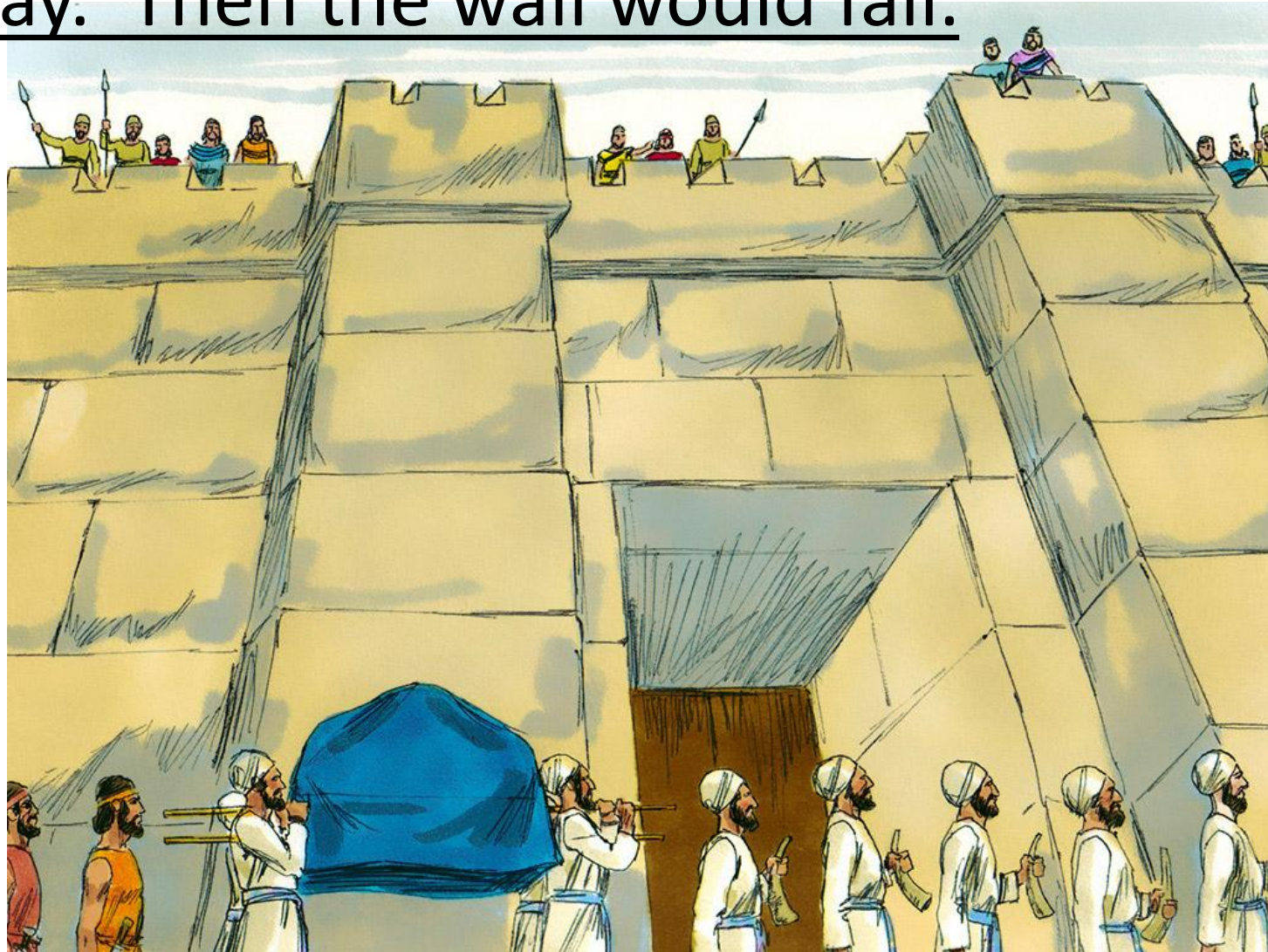


- As the leader of the LORD's army, as the LORD himself = the Son of God

3.) Summarize God's unconventional battle plan for conquering the city of Jericho (vv. 3-5).



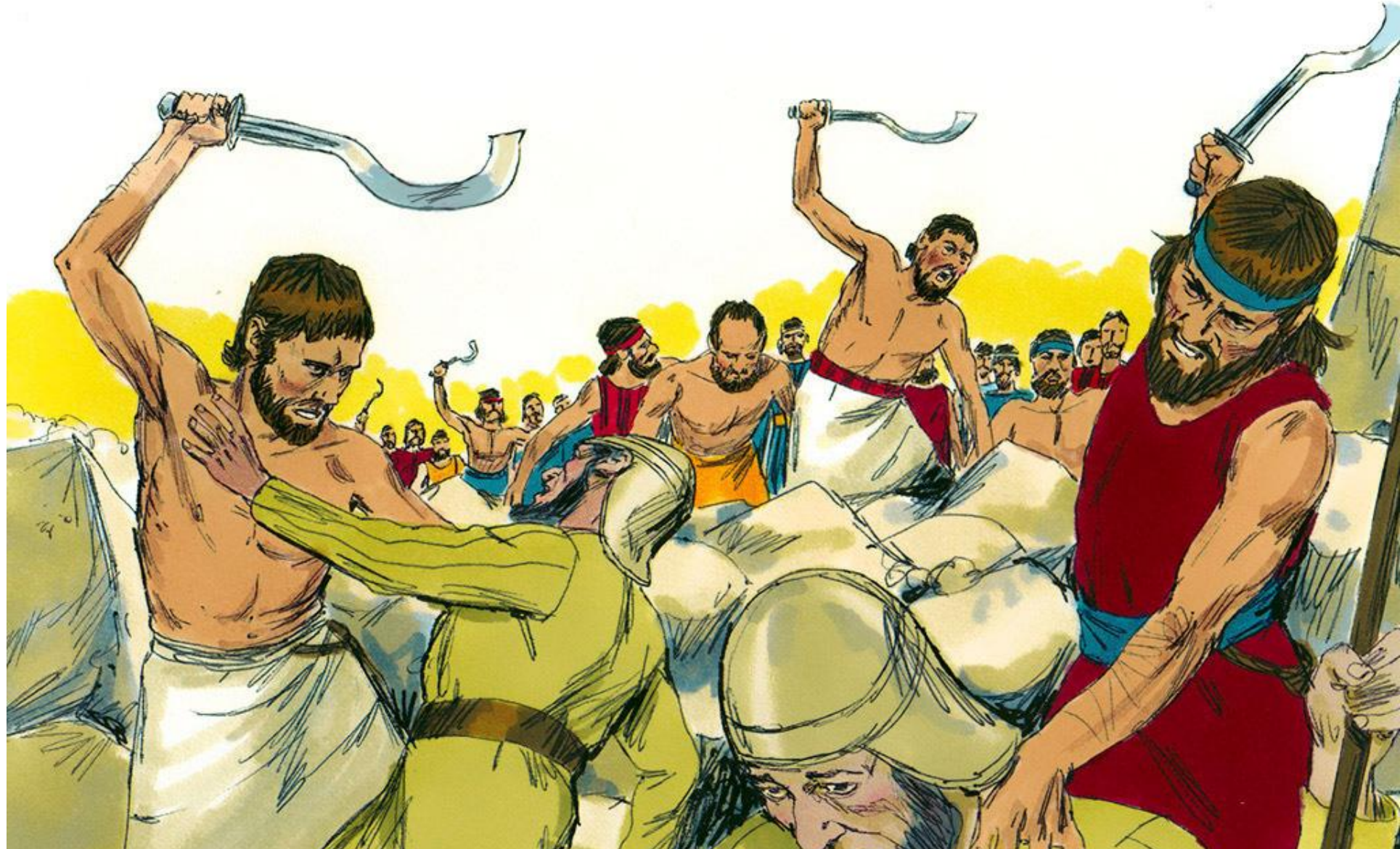
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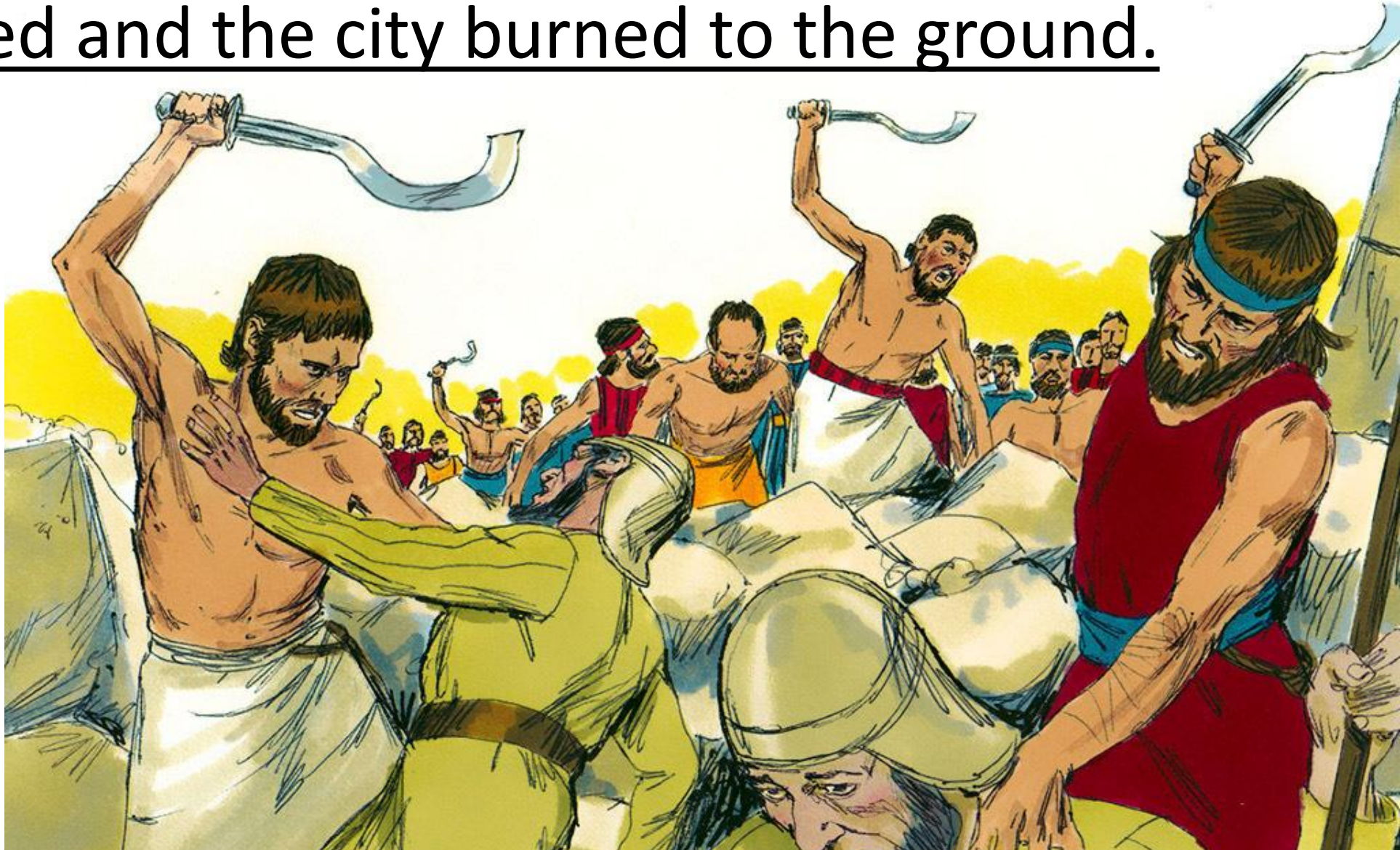
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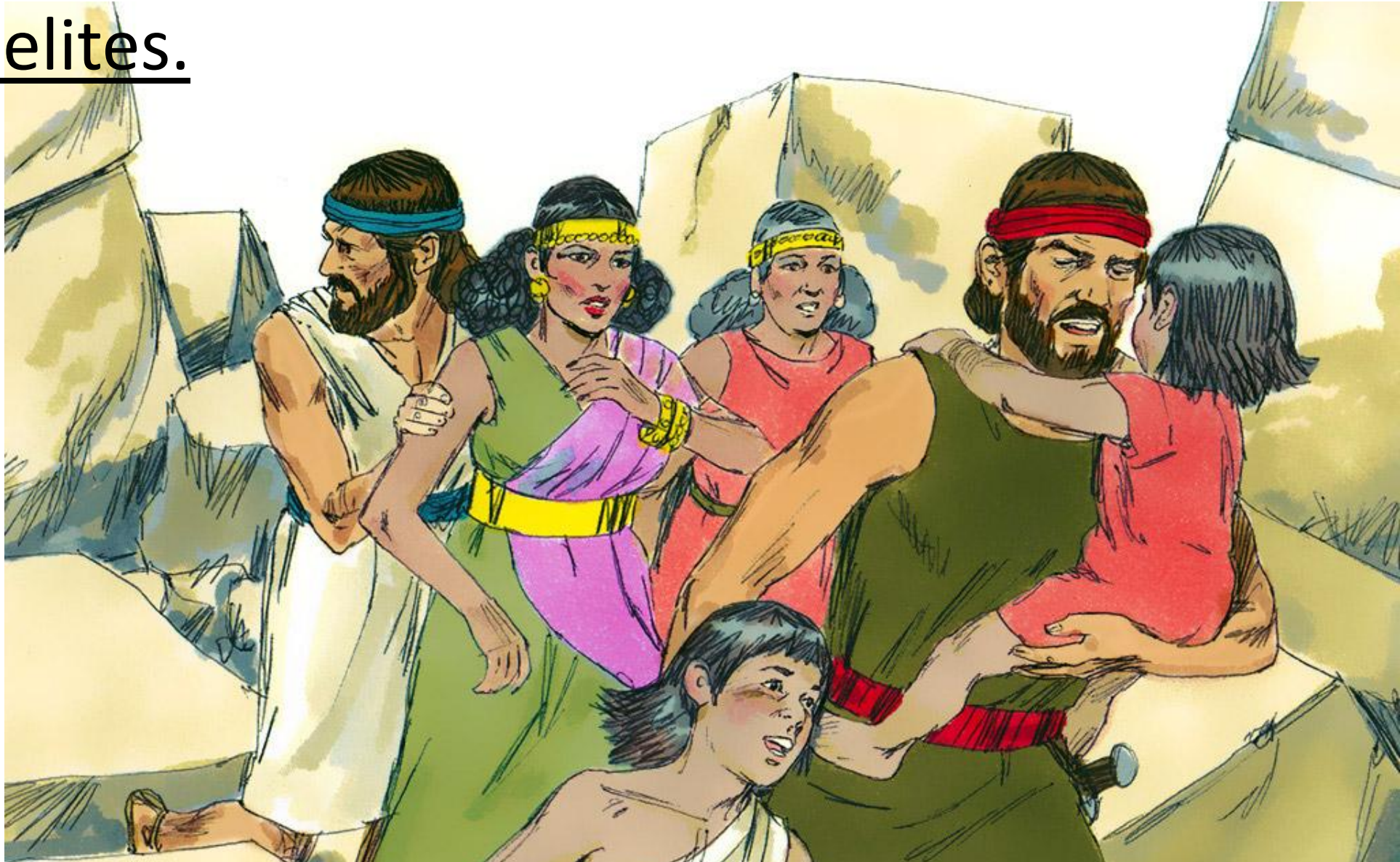
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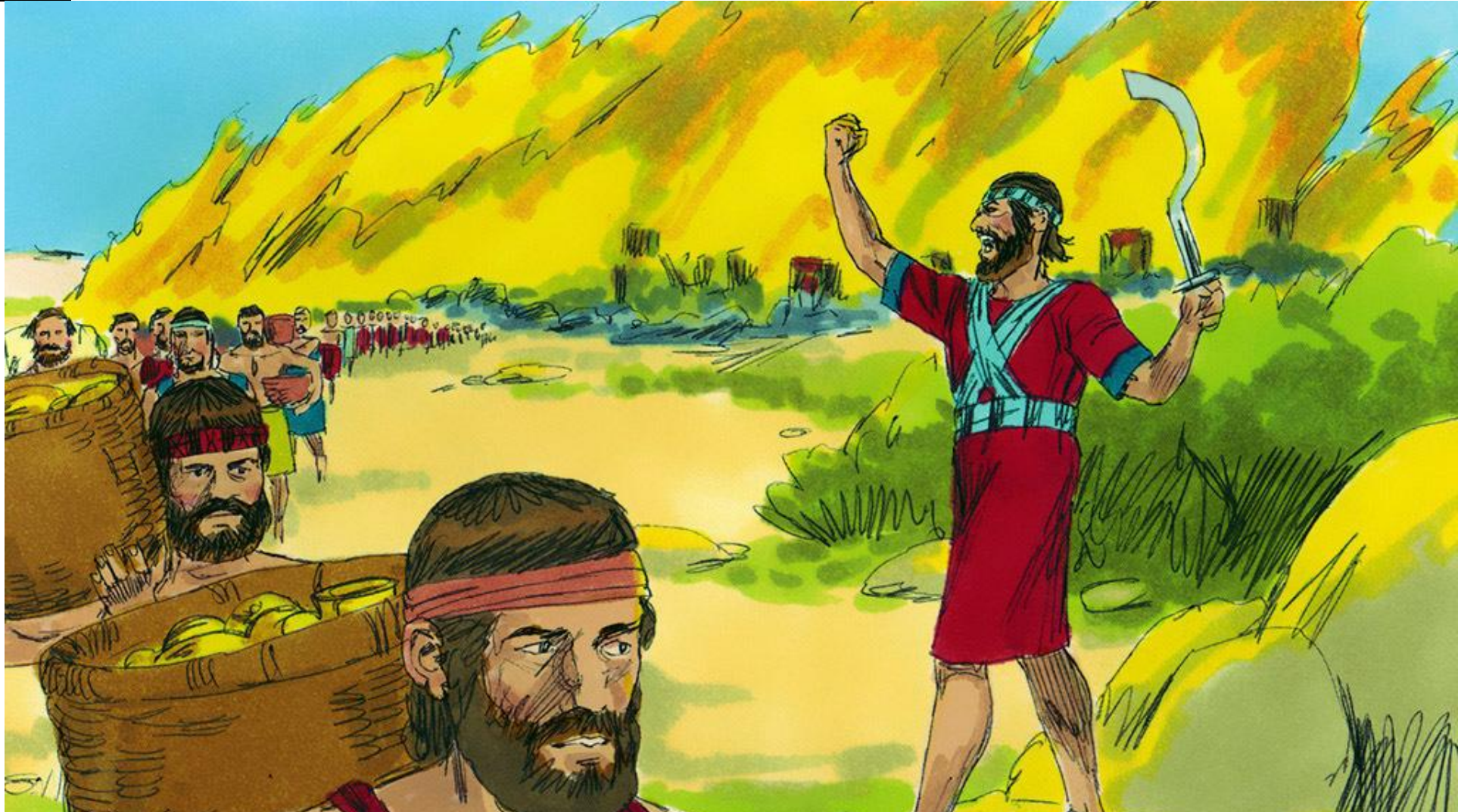
a.) Everything and everyone alive in Jericho was killed and the city burned to the ground.



b.) Rahab and her family were spared and became Israelites.

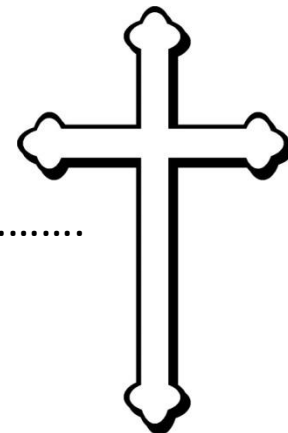
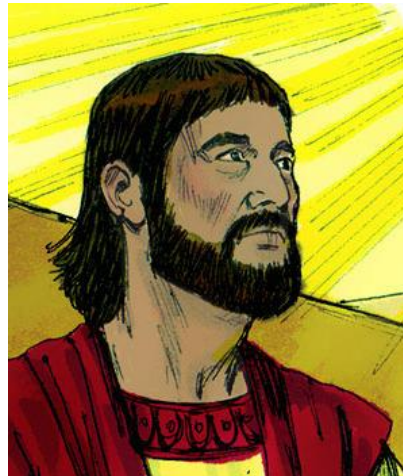


c.) All the precious metals were devoted to the LORD.



5.) Many in our world today take offense at God's order to exterminate the Canaanites, but we need to remember some things...

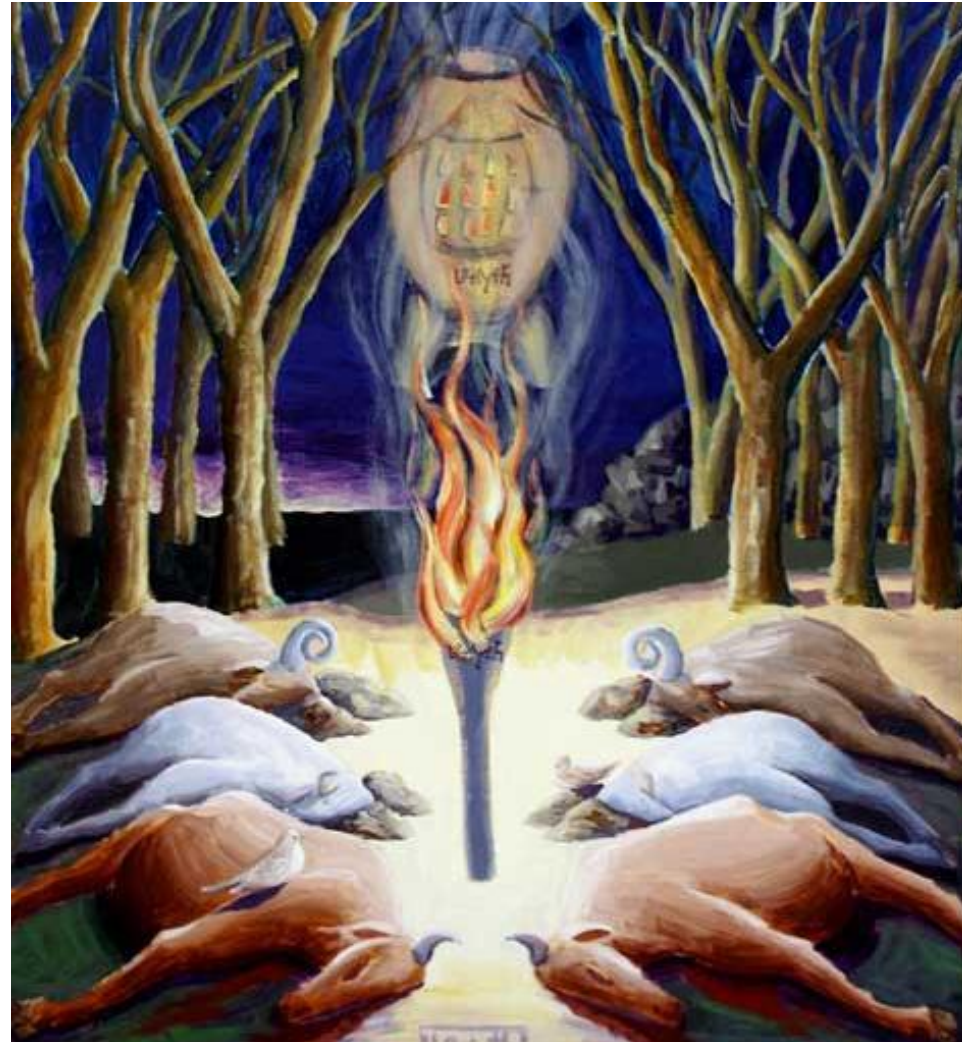
a.) God's main goal has always been SAVING SINNERS and to do that he needed to send a Savior from the line of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob... remember no Israelites = NO SAVIOR!



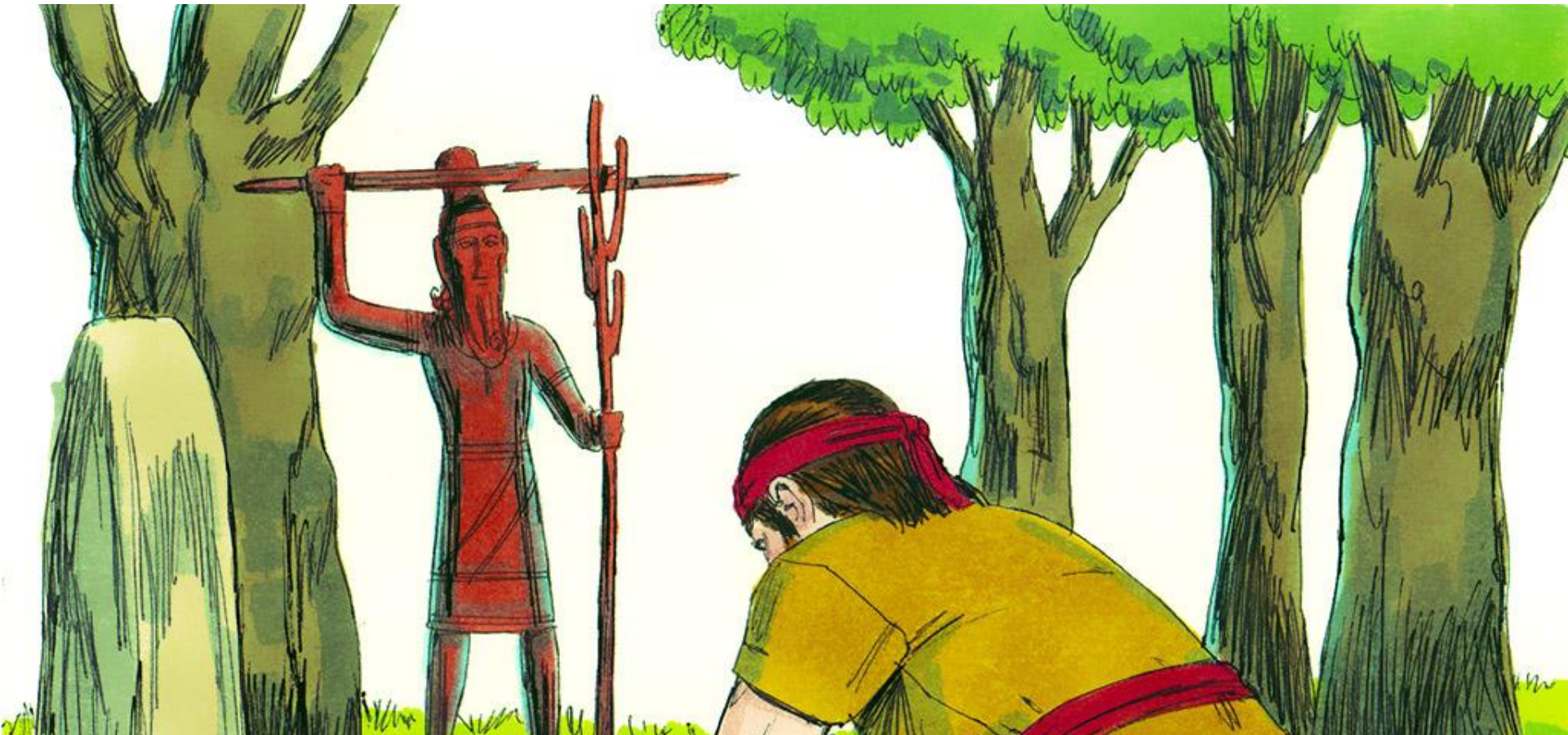
b.) Canaanite worship involved child sacrifice, sexual immorality, and self-mutilation.



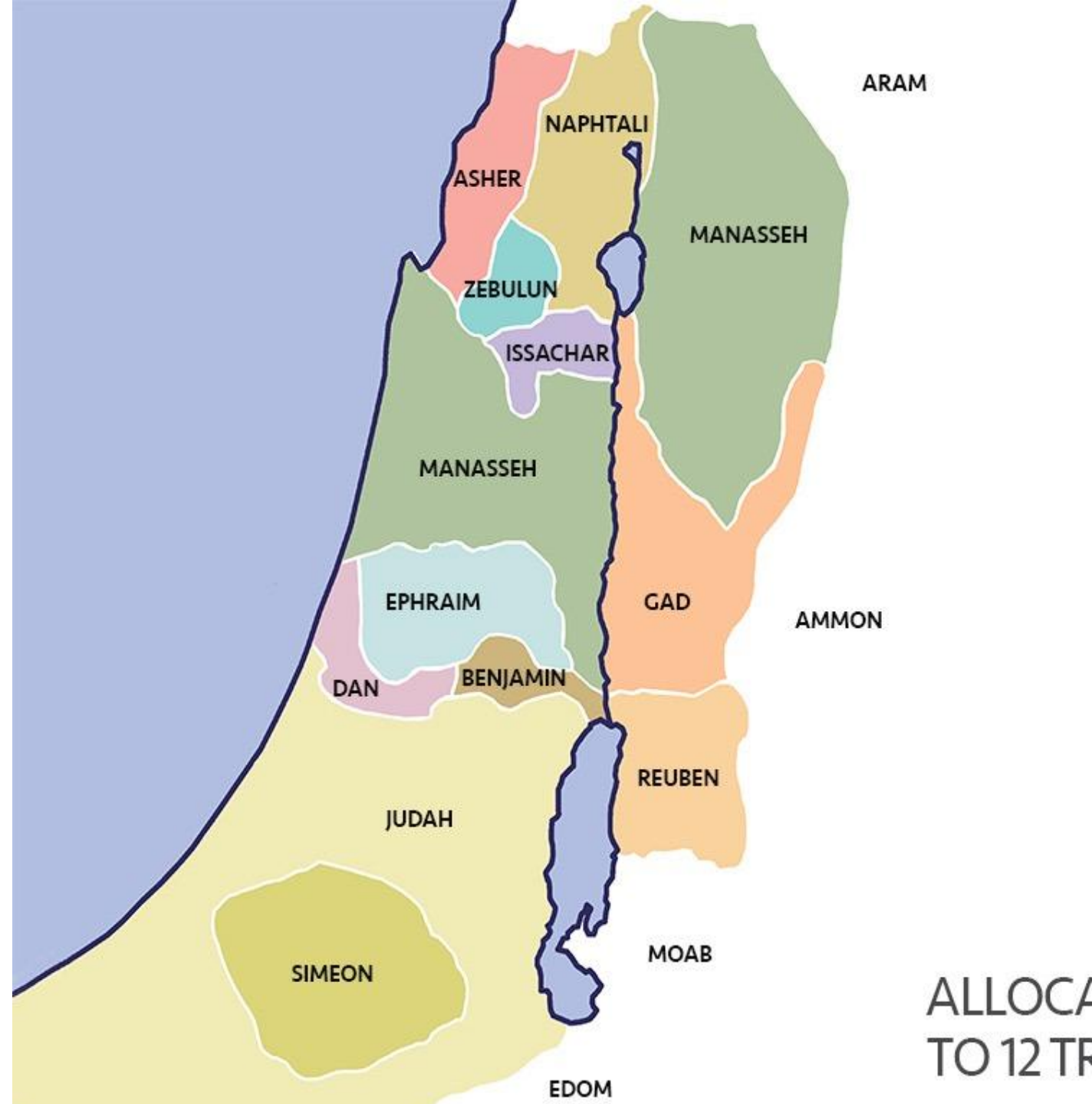
c.) God had given the Canaanites 400+ years to change their ways



d.) God repeatedly warned his people that if they fell into this same idolatry he would curse them and kill them and drive them from the land (which he did)



6.) With God's almighty help and Joshua's faithful leadership the Israelites gradually took over the land of Canaan.



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Overview: Judges 2:6-23

1.) How long did the Israelites remain faithful to the LORD (vv. 6-7, 10)? How is this a wakeup call for us ?

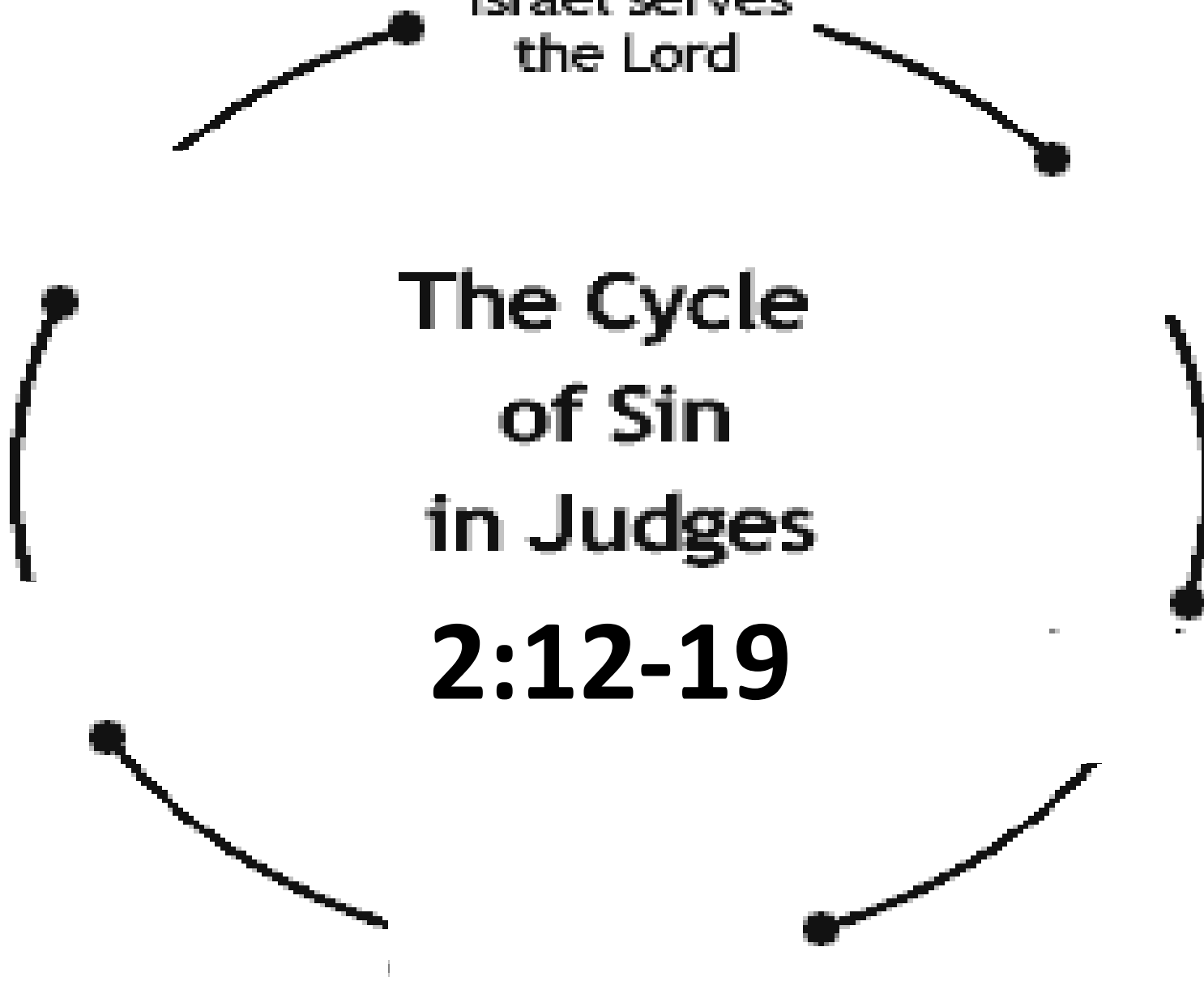
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- All it takes is ONE generation for the Word and worship of God to be lost!

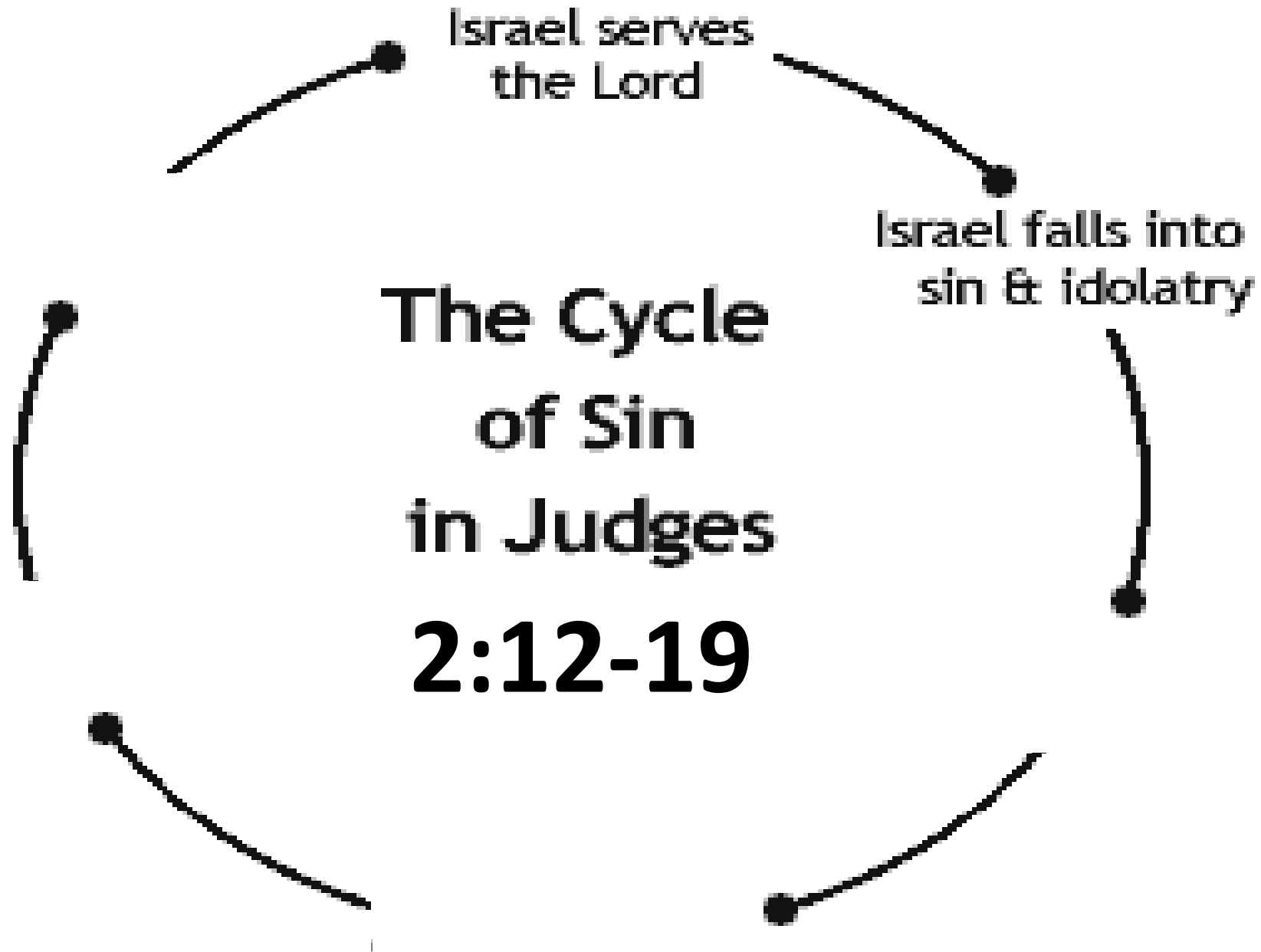


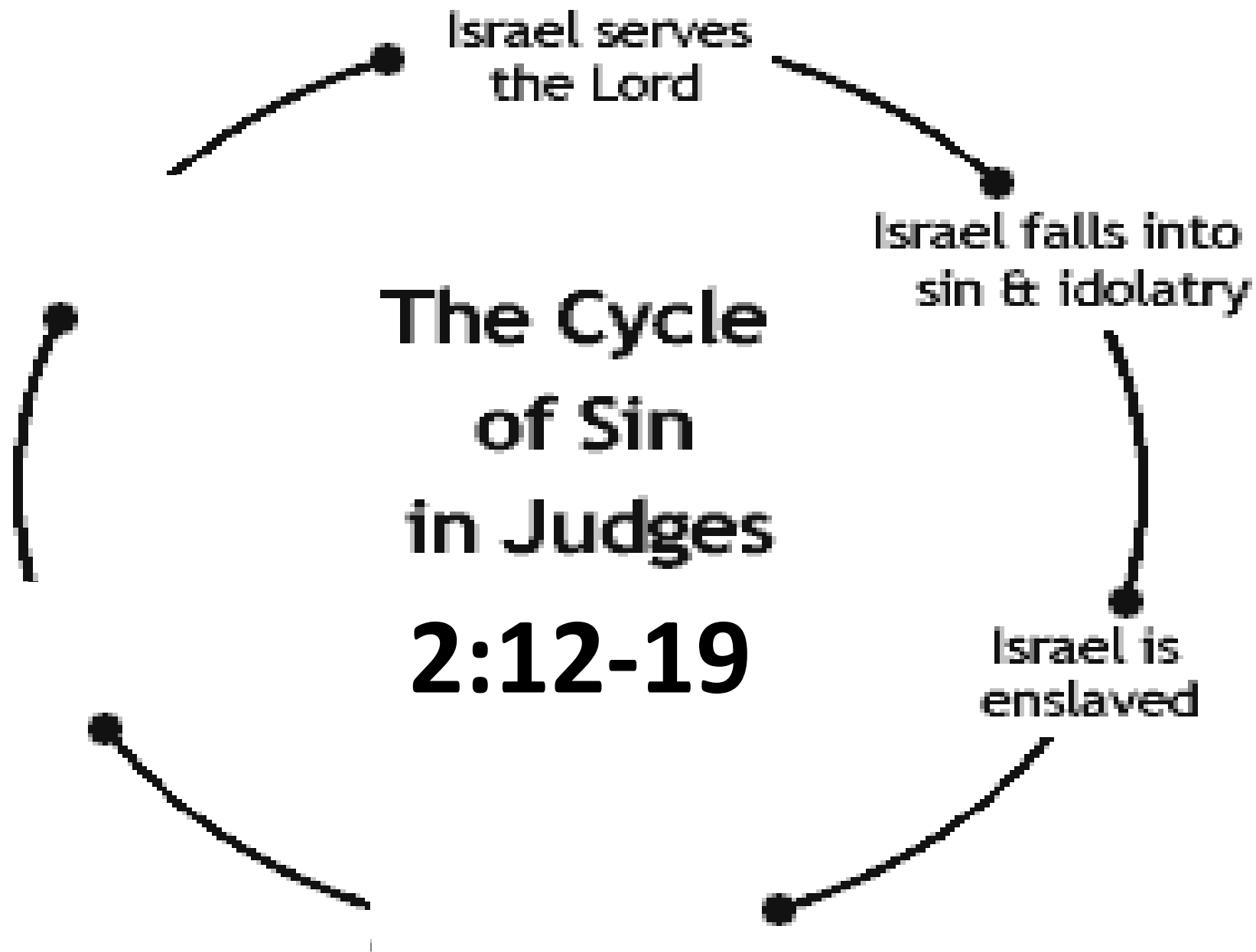
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Israel serves
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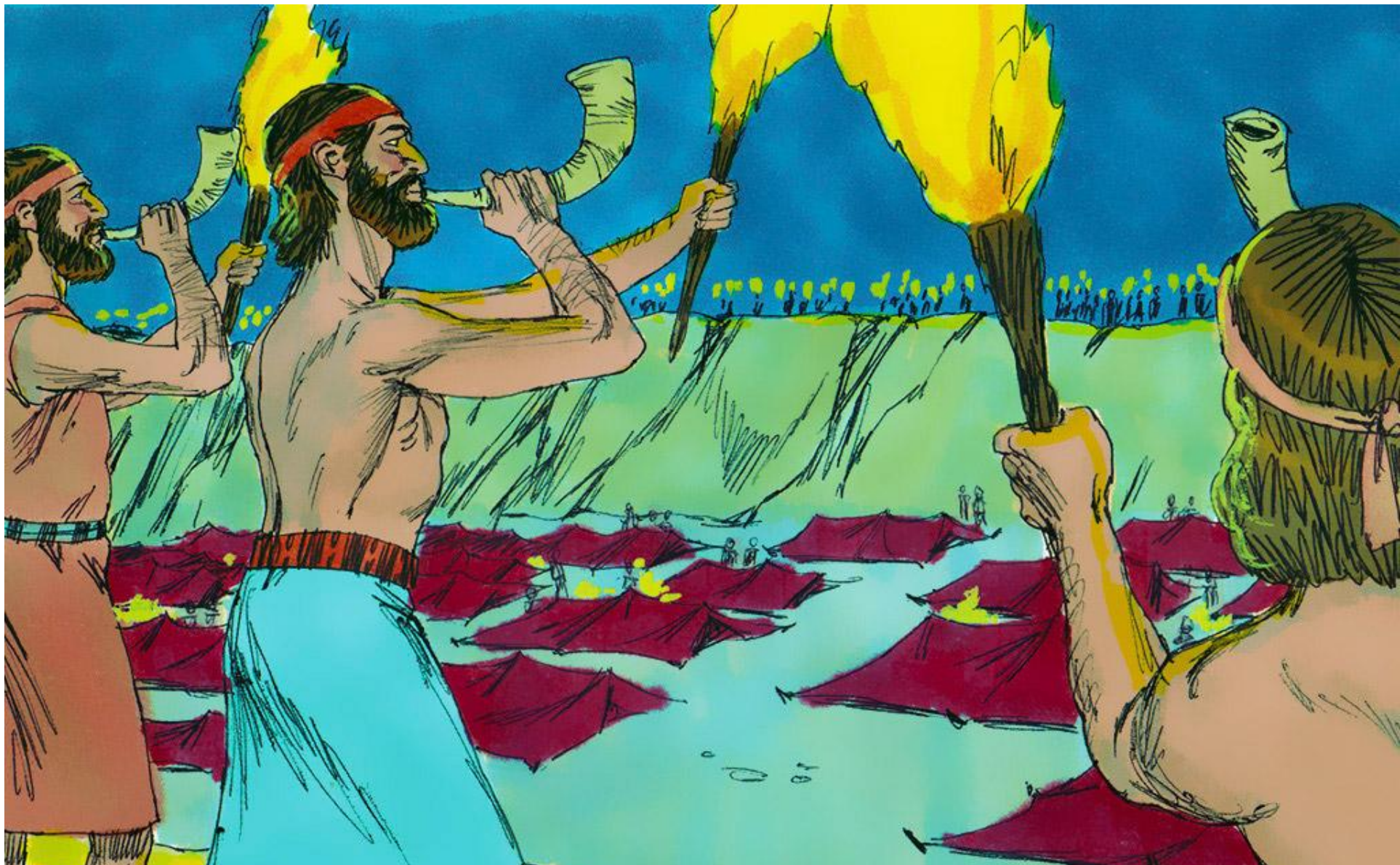




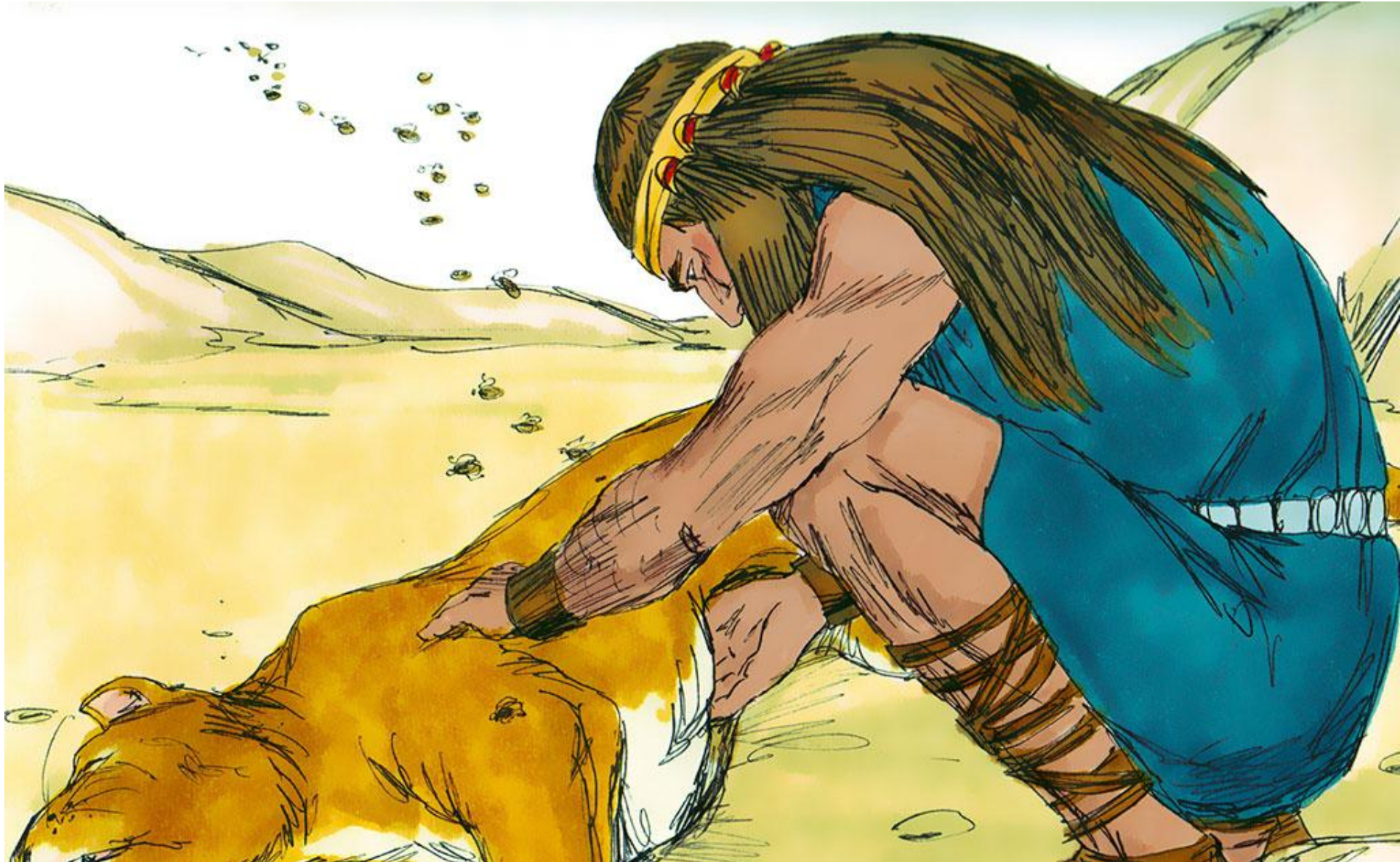




Overview: Judges 6 – 8: Gideon



Overview: Judges 13 – 16: Samson



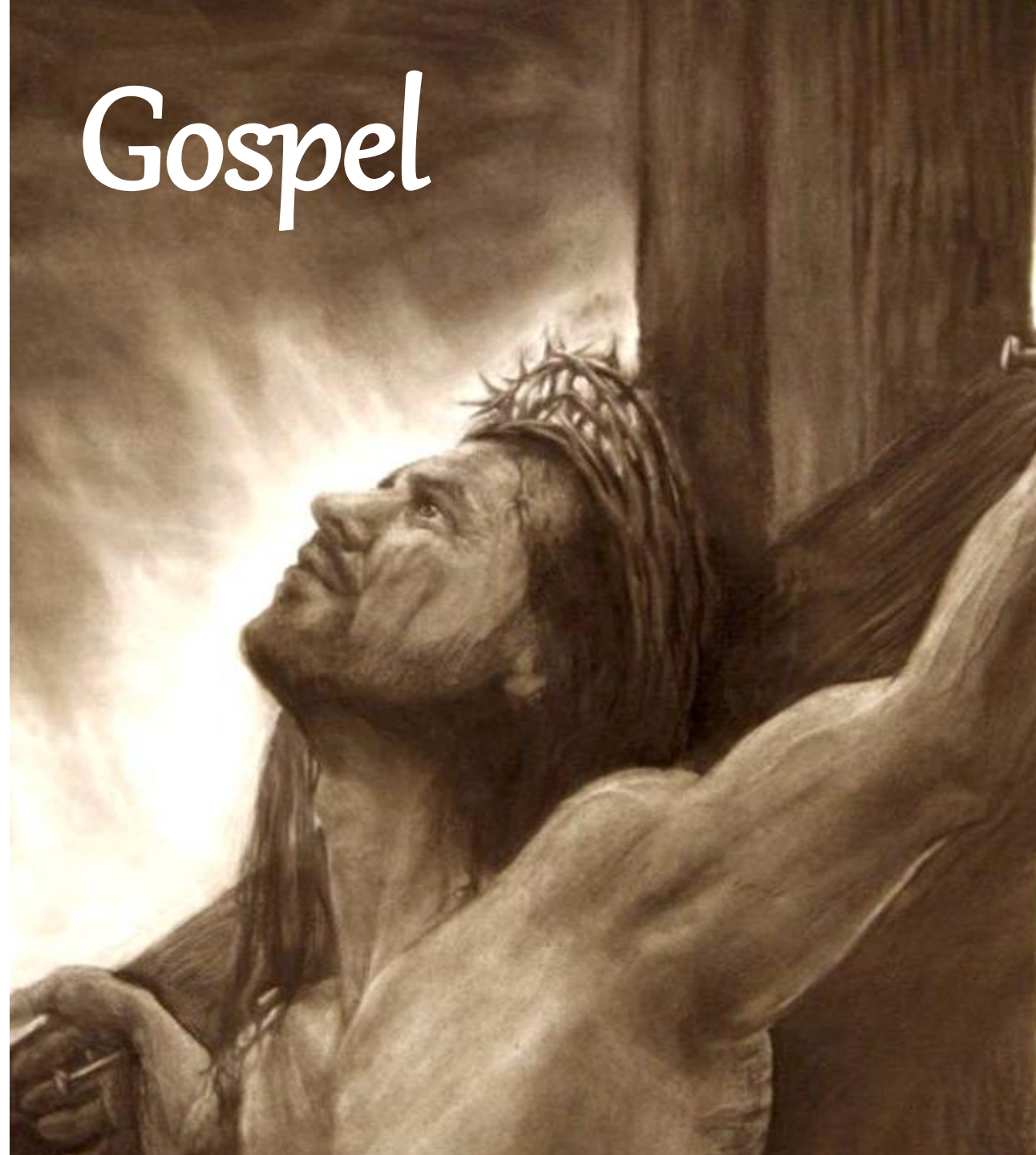
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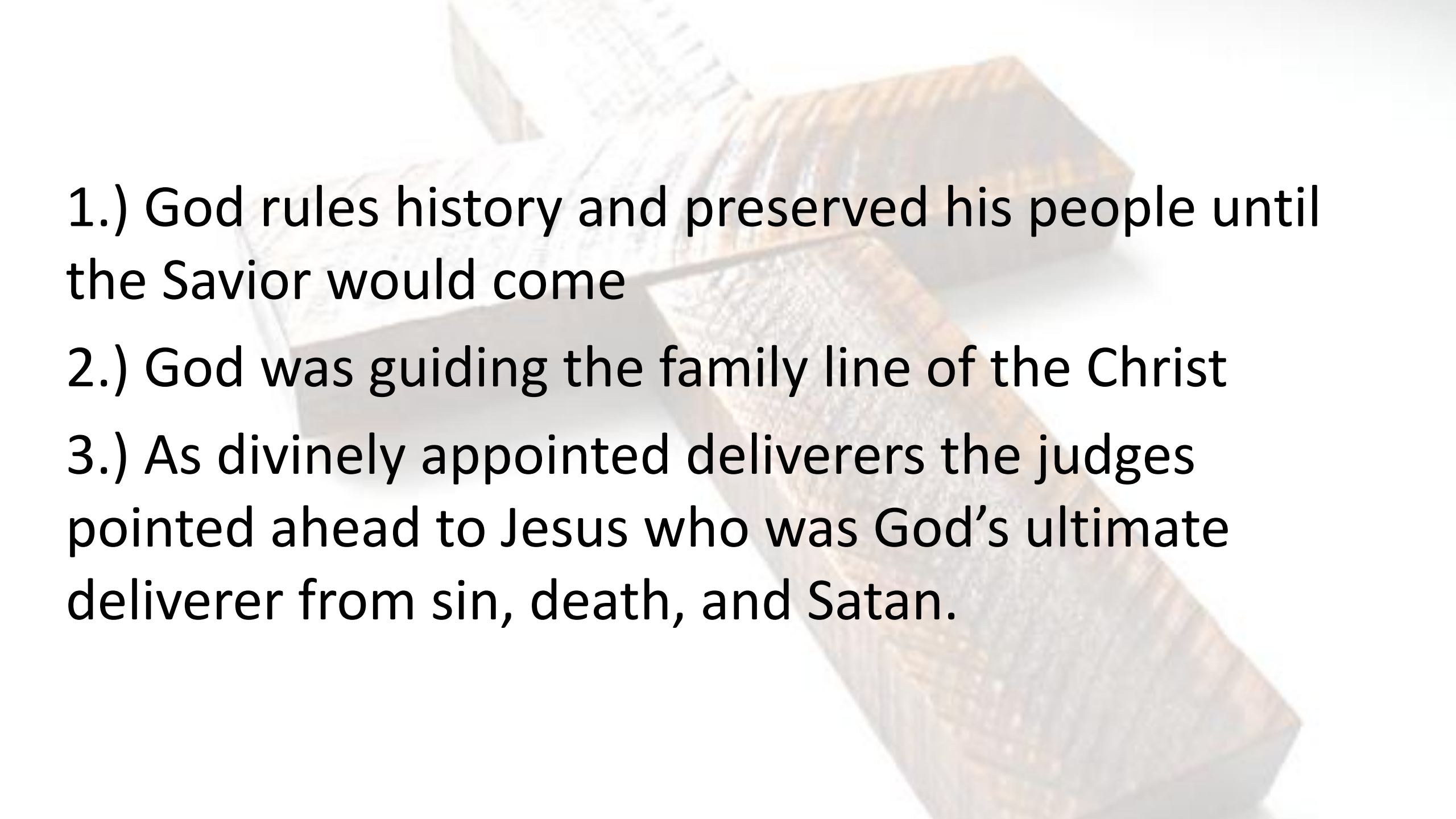
- God's commands, threats, punishments...
 - Commands for conquering Jericho
 - The destruction of the city and its inhabitants (and likewise the other Canaanites)
 - God allowed Israel's enemies to oppress them because of their idolatry

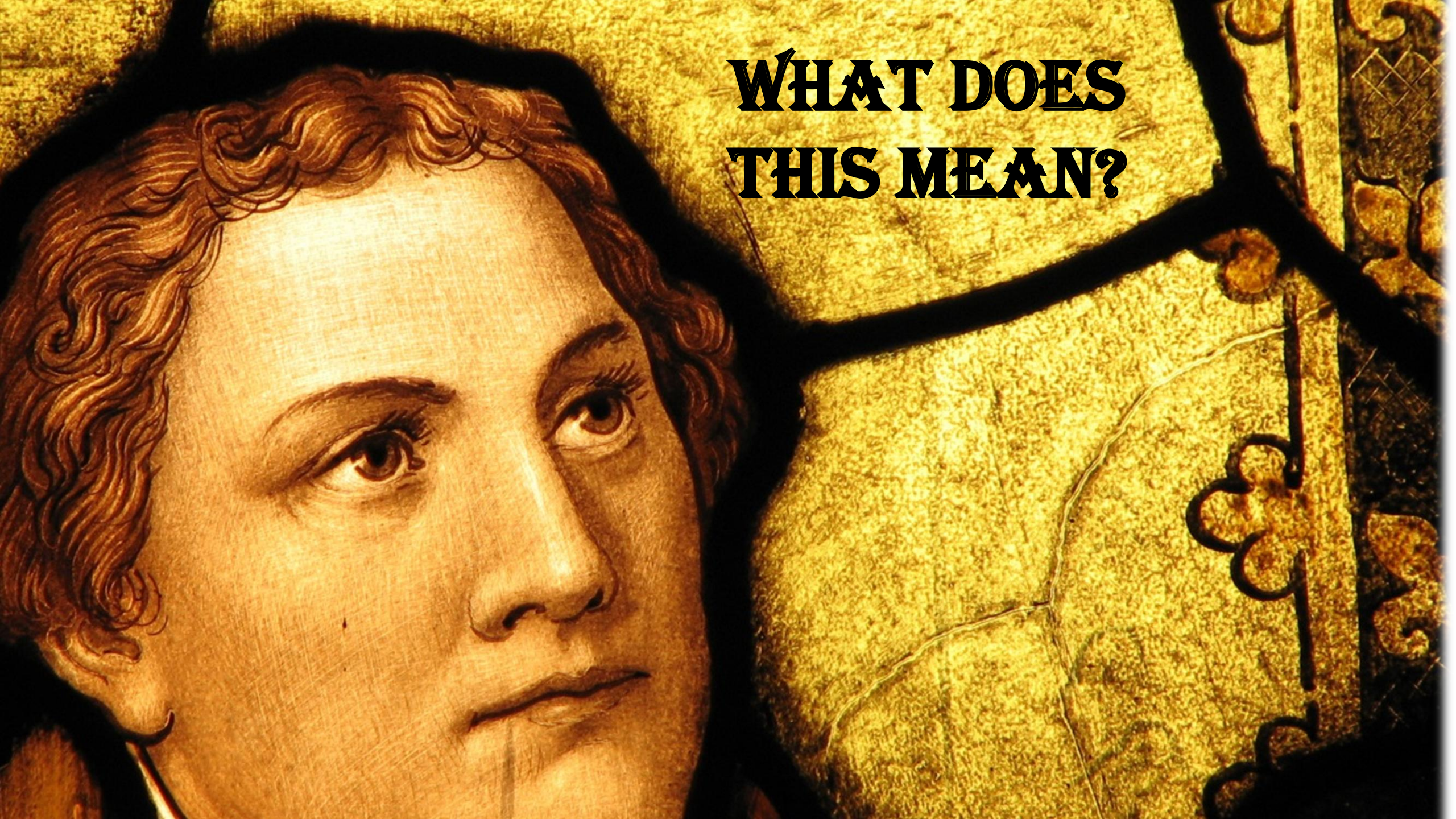
Gospel

- God's mercy, forgiveness, goodness, and promises...
 - God gave his people victory
 - God kept his promise to give Israel the Promised Land
 - Rahab and her family became believers and were spared
 - God had pity on Israel when they cried out to him and sent judges to save them

Connecting to HIStory



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- 1.) God rules history and preserved his people until the Savior would come
 - 2.) God was guiding the family line of the Christ
 - 3.) As divinely appointed deliverers the judges pointed ahead to Jesus who was God's ultimate deliverer from sin, death, and Satan.



**WHAT DOES
THIS MEAN?**

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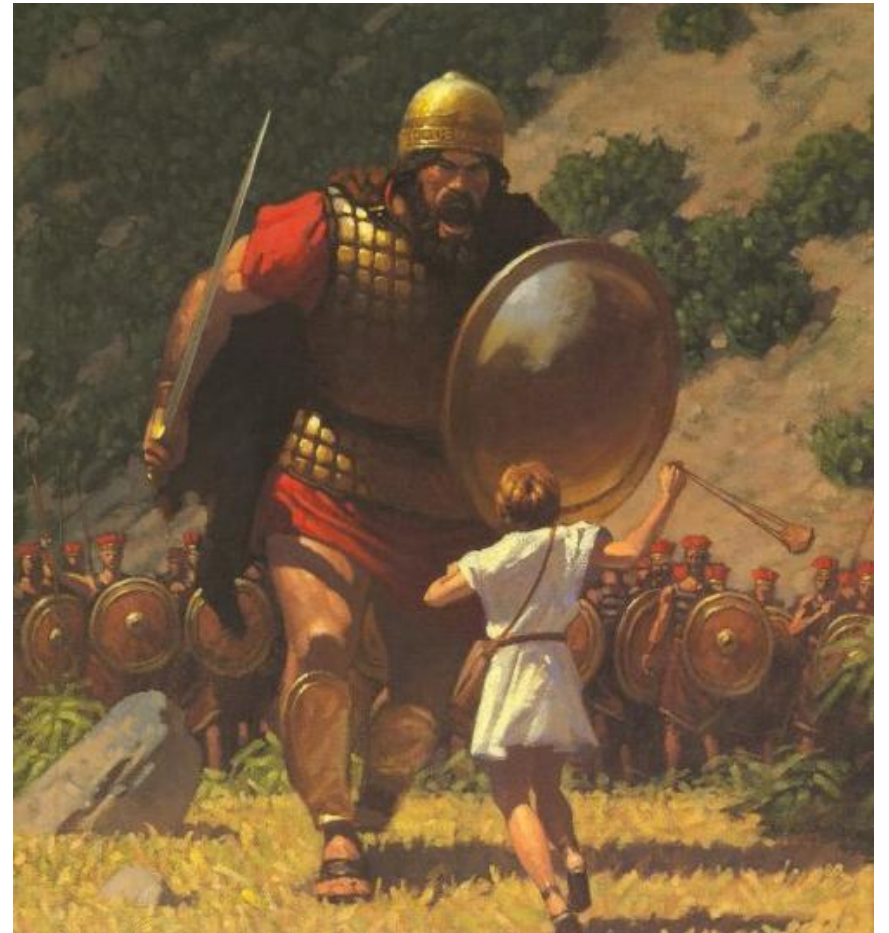
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For Next Time...

- Read:
 - 1 Samuel 16 and 17; 2 Samuel 5:1-5; 7:1-17 (David becomes King)
- Memory Work:
 - Psalms 31:14*
 - Romans 13:1*



PROJECT

- Due January 4th
- See suggestion guide
- Be as creative as you want!



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God created water animals and birds.
Water animals are made of goldfish. The birds
are made of tortilla, strawberries, carrot, chocolate,
and sage.



