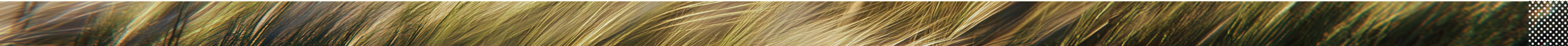
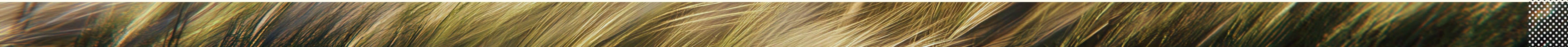


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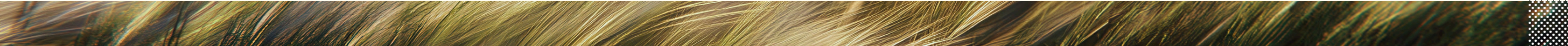
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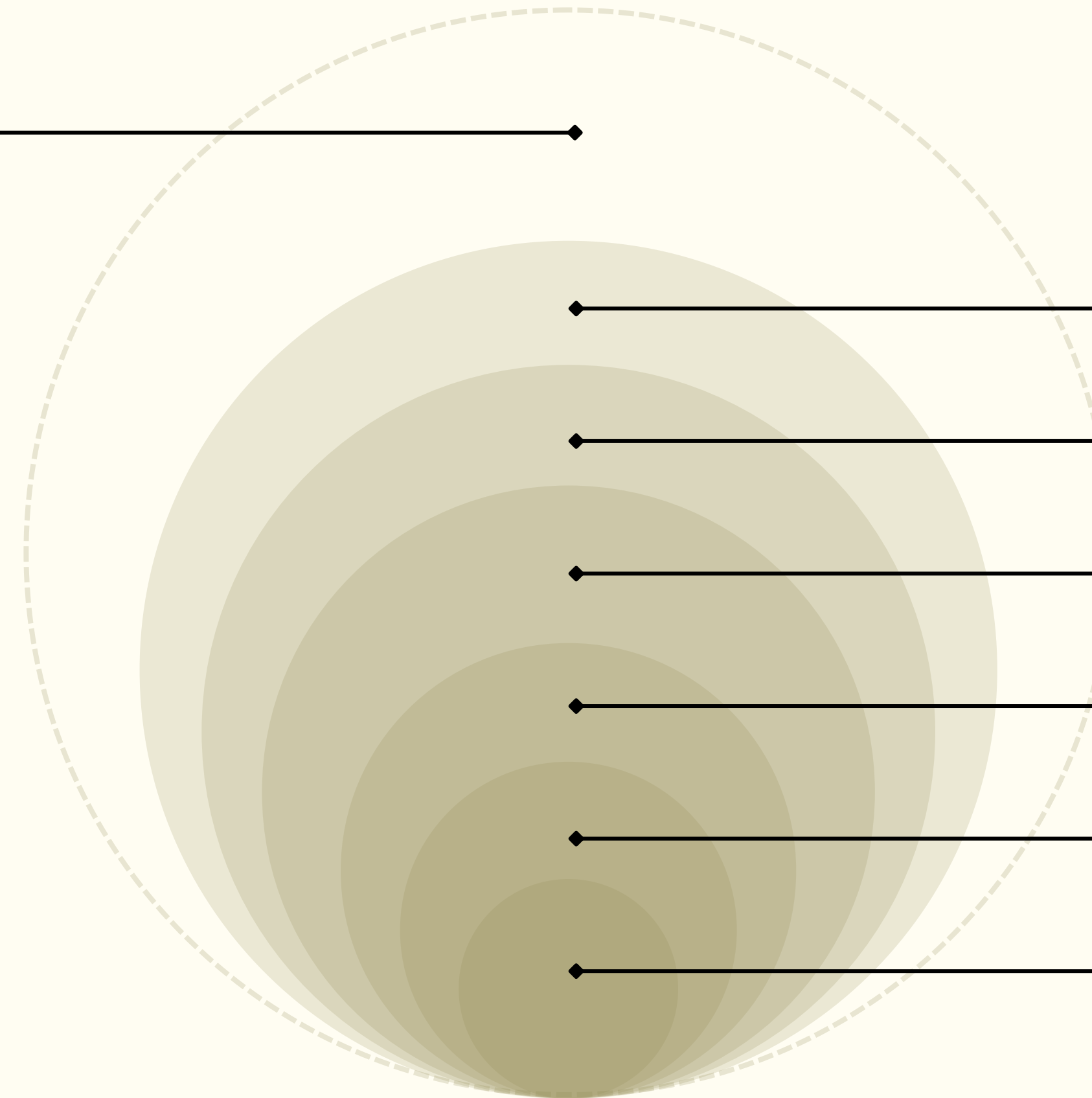
From Paphos, Paul and his companions sailed to Perga in Pamphylia, where John left them to return to Jerusalem.¹⁴ From Perga they went on to Pisidian Antioch. On the Sabbath they entered the synagogue and sat down.¹⁵ After the reading from the Law and the Prophets, the leaders of the synagogue sent word to them, saying, “Brothers, if you have a **word of exhortation** for the people, please speak.”¹⁶ Standing up, Paul motioned with his hand and said: “Fellow Israelites and you Gentiles who worship God, listen to me!”

ACTS 13:13-16 NIV





GENTILES



GOD-FEARERS

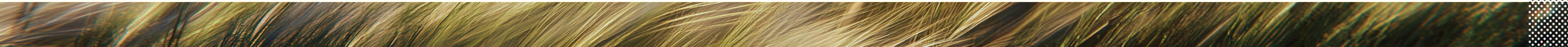
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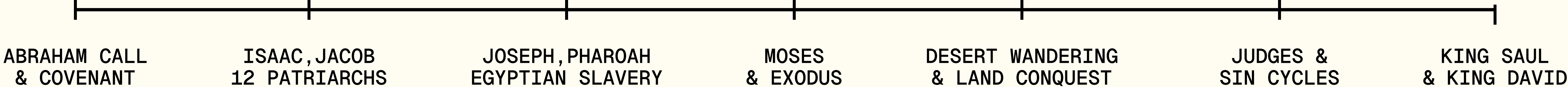
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ACTS 13:17-22

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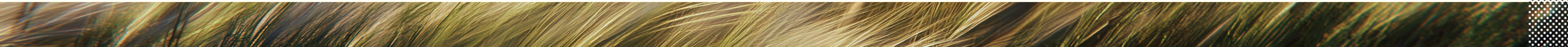




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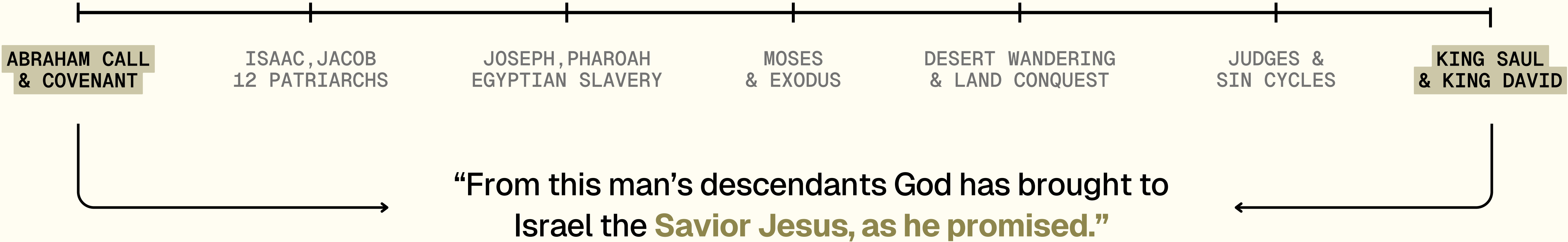
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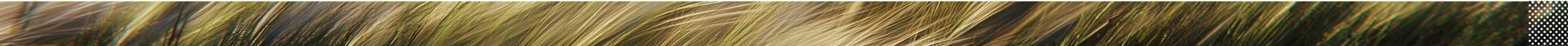
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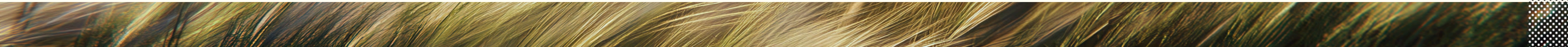
ACTS 13:23 NIV






Before the coming of Jesus, John preached repentance and baptism to all the people of Israel. ²⁵ As John was completing his work, he said: ‘Who do you suppose I am? I am not the one you are looking for. But there is one coming after me whose sandals I am not worthy to untie.’ ²⁶ “Fellow children of Abraham and you God-fearing Gentiles, **it is to us that this message of salvation has been sent.**”

ACTS 13:24-26 NIV

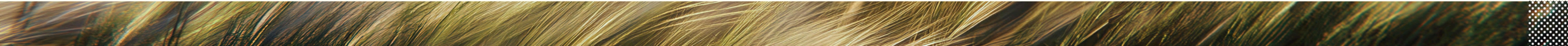




Why Jesus?

“The people of Jerusalem and their rulers did not recognize Jesus, yet in condemning him they fulfilled the words of the prophets that are read every Sabbath. ²⁸ Though they found no proper ground for a death sentence, they asked Pilate to have him executed. ²⁹ When they had carried out all that was written about him, **they took him down from the cross and laid him in a tomb.** ³⁰ **But God raised him from the dead...**”

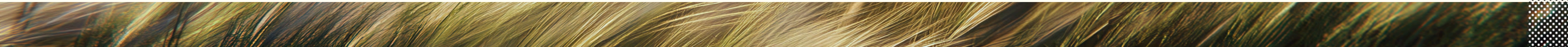
ACTS 13:27-30A NIV





“We tell you the good news: What God promised our ancestors
³³ he has fulfilled for us, their children, by raising up Jesus...”

ACTS 13:32-33A NIV



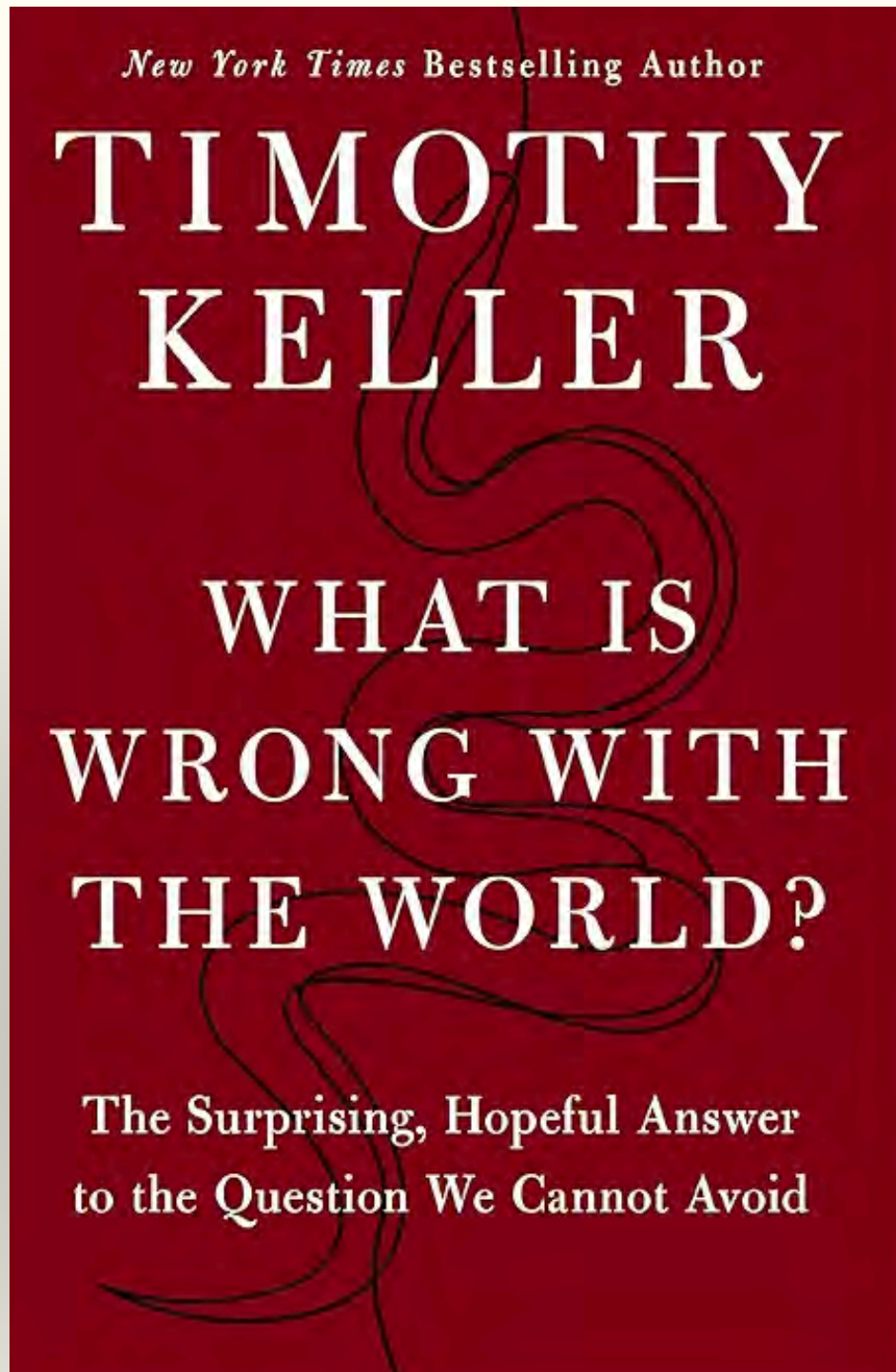
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ACTS 13:38-39 NIV

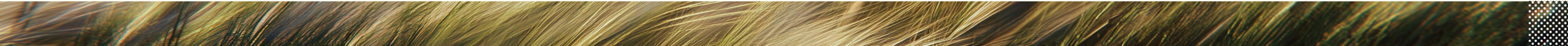


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“Sin is not just an action, it’s a power.”

- TIMOTHY KELLER
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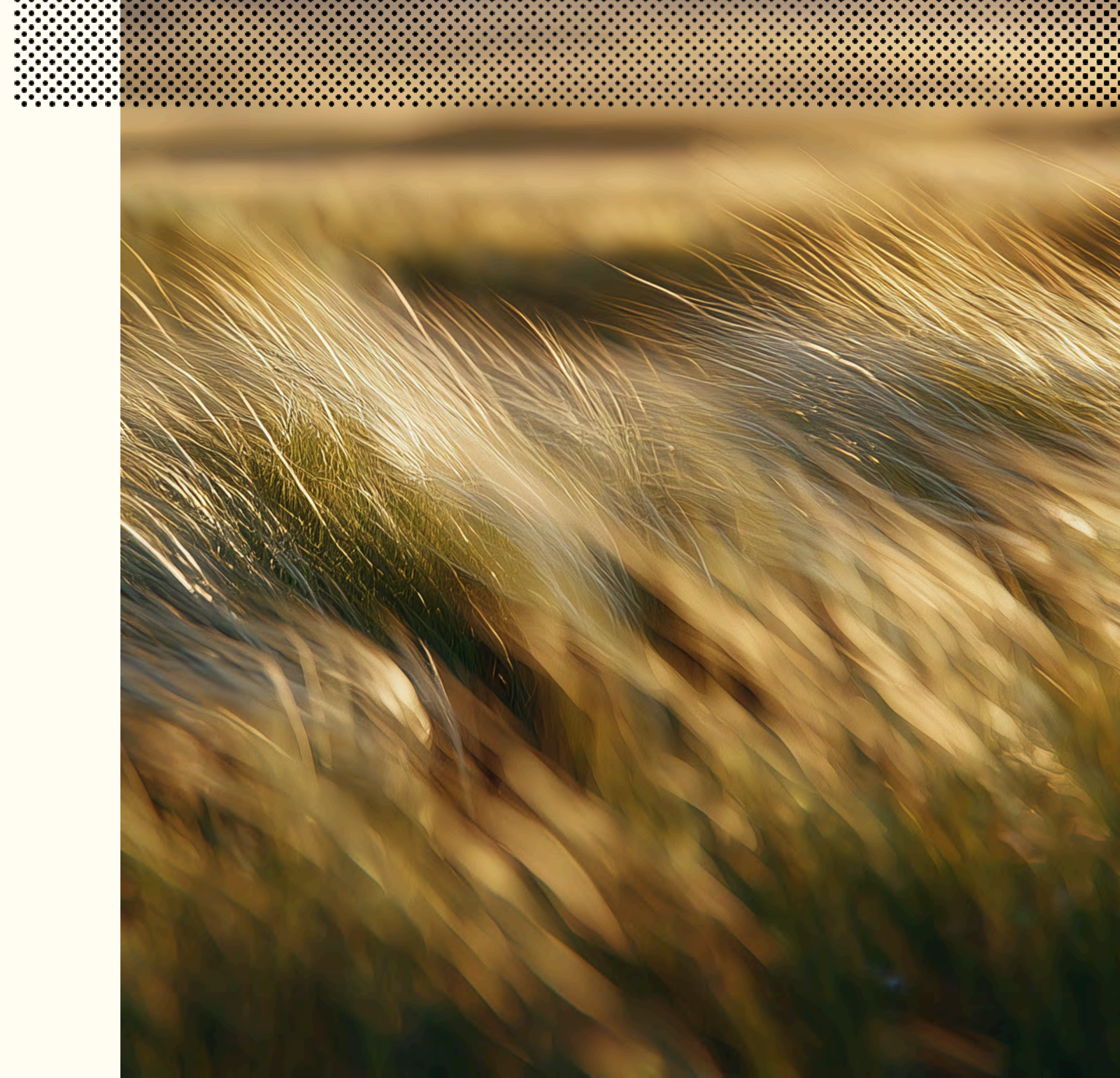


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ACTS 13:38-39 NIV





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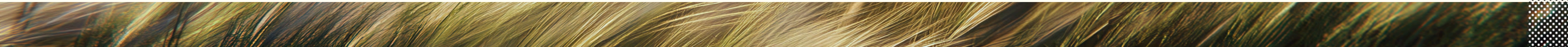
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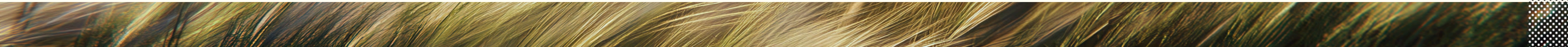
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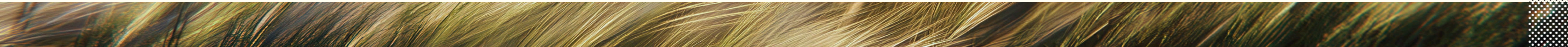
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“I told you that you would die in your sins; if you do not believe that I am he, you will indeed die in your sins.”

JOHN 8:24 NIV

“So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”

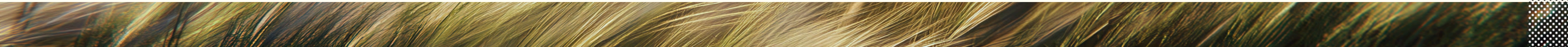
JOHN 8:36 NIV





As Paul and Barnabas were leaving the synagogue, the people invited them to speak further about **these things** on the next Sabbath.
⁴³ When the congregation was dismissed, many of the Jews and devout converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas, who talked with them and urged them to continue in the **grace of God**.

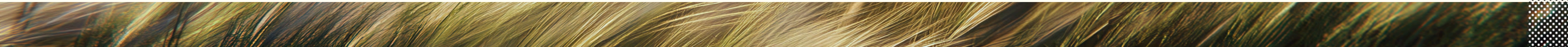
ACTS 13:42-43 NIV





On the next Sabbath almost the whole city gathered to hear the word of the Lord. ⁴⁵ When the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy. They began to contradict what Paul was saying and heaped abuse on him. ⁴⁶ Then Paul and Barnabas answered them boldly: “We had to speak the word of God to you first. Since you reject it and do not consider yourselves worthy of eternal life, we now turn to the Gentiles.”

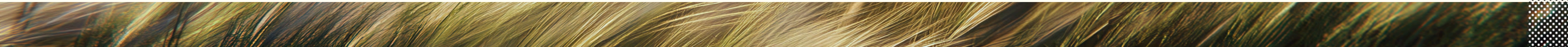
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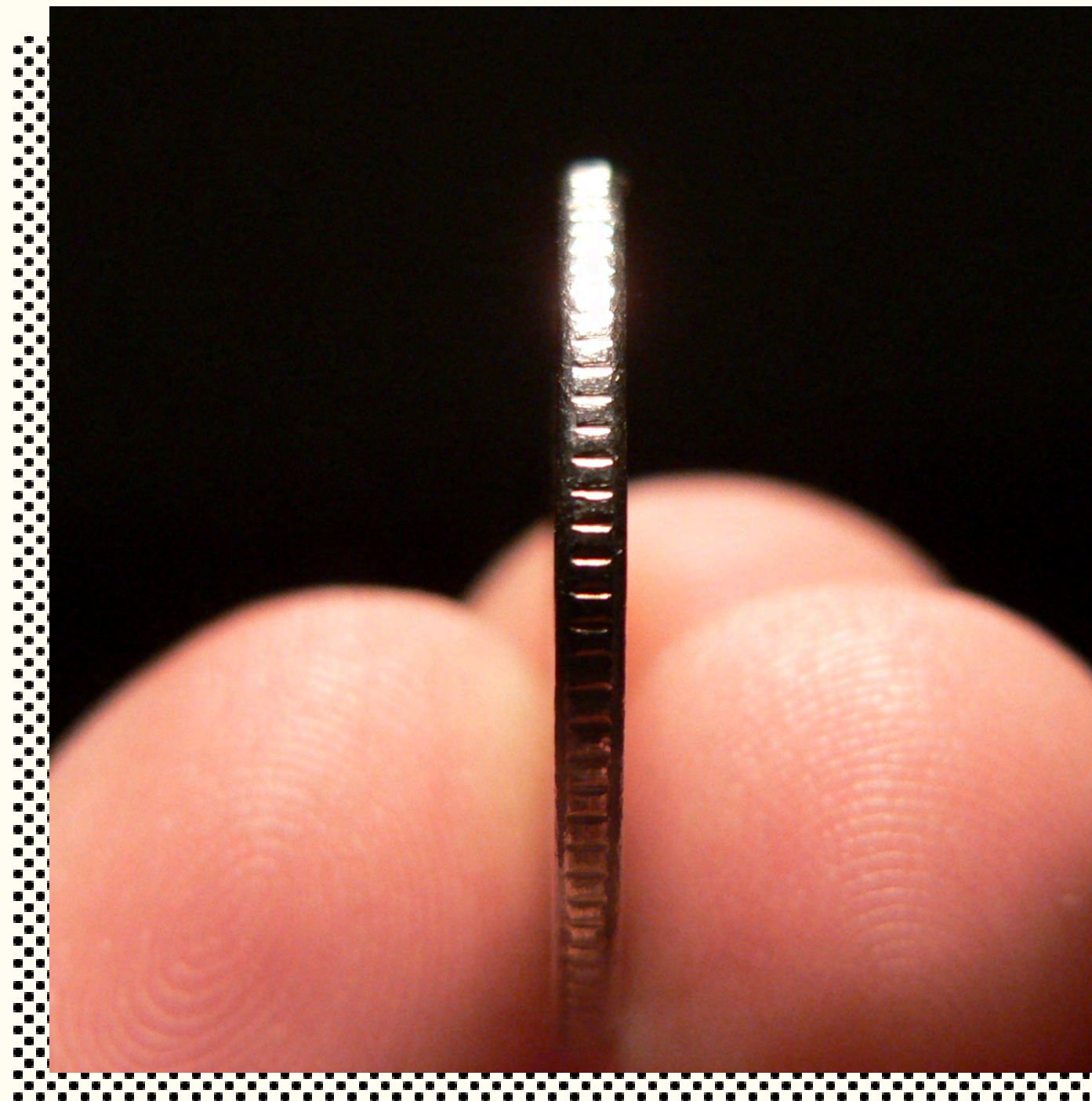
When the Gentiles heard this, they were glad
and honored the word of the Lord; and **all who were
appointed for eternal life believed.**

ACTS 13:48 NIV



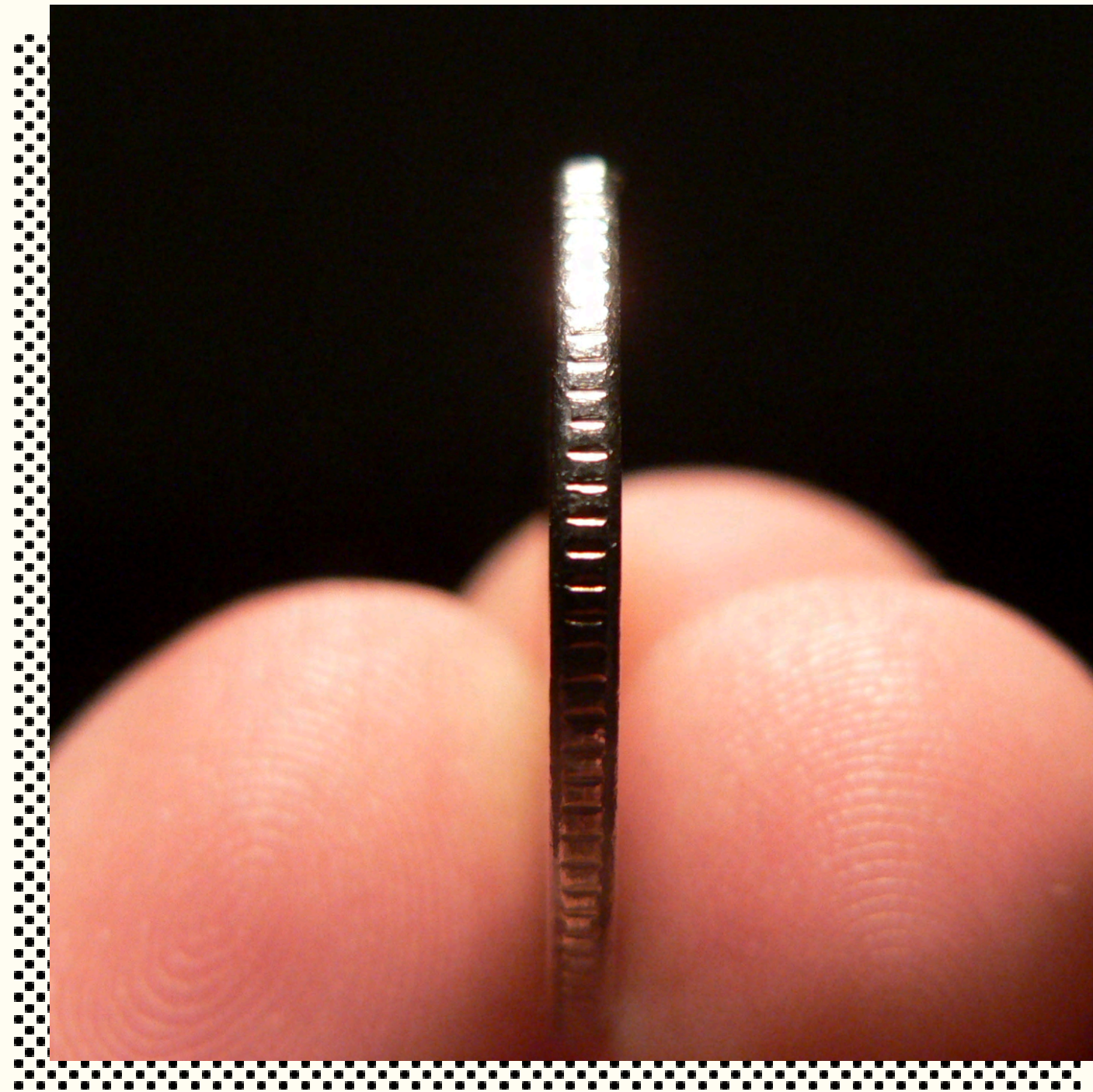
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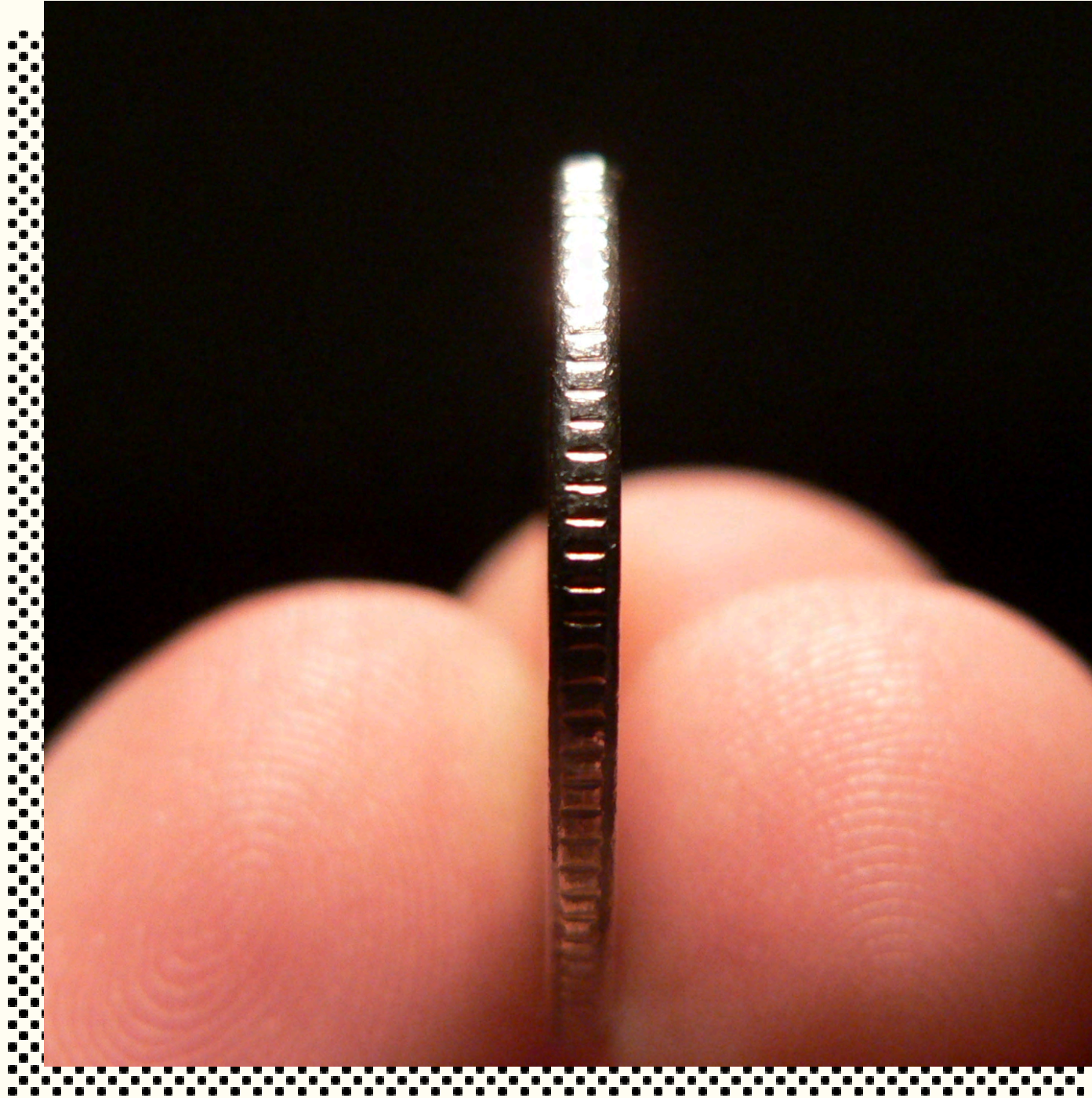


³⁵ Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.

³⁹ And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of **all that he has given me**, but raise it up on the last day.

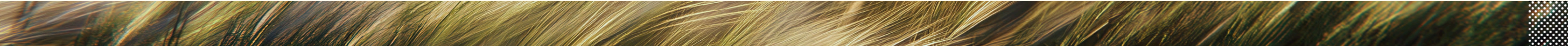
⁴⁰ For this is the will of my Father, that **everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him** should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.”

JOHN 6:35, 39, 40 ESV



“God’s predestination and human free choice are a mystery but not a contradiction. We apprehend each as true, but we do not comprehend how both are true. In brief, **we are chosen but free!**”

- NORM GEISLER,
CHOSEN, BUT FREE

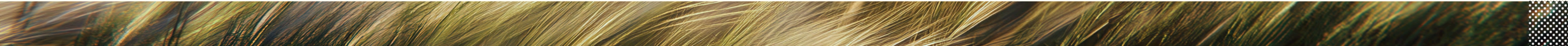


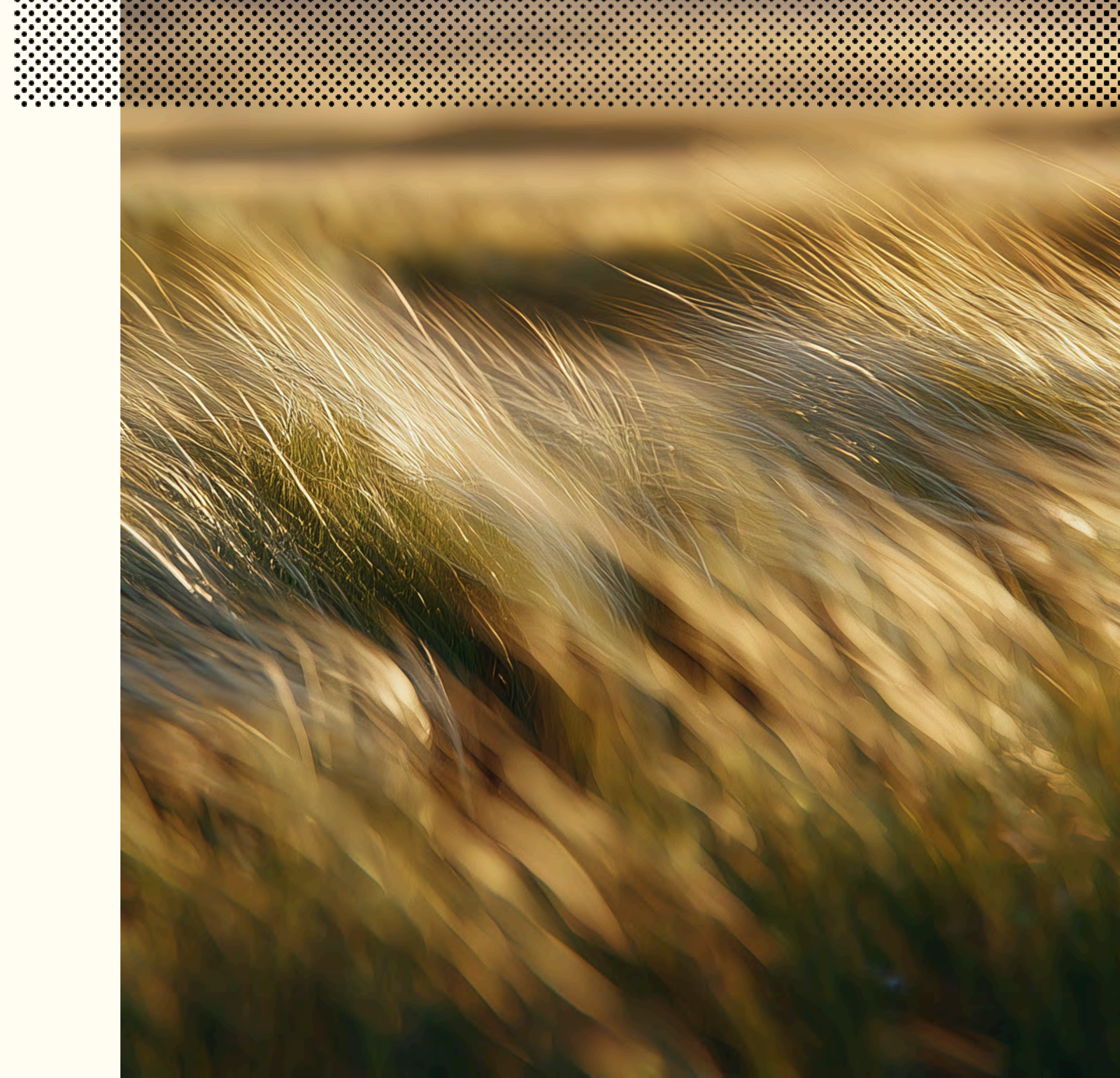


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Good News in a Sin-Sick World

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The word of the Lord spread through the whole region.⁵⁰ But the Jewish leaders incited the God-fearing women of high standing and the leading men of the city. They stirred up persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them from their region.⁵¹ So they shook the dust off their feet as a warning to them and went to Iconium.⁵² And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

ACTS 13:49-52 NIV



RAGE & JOY

