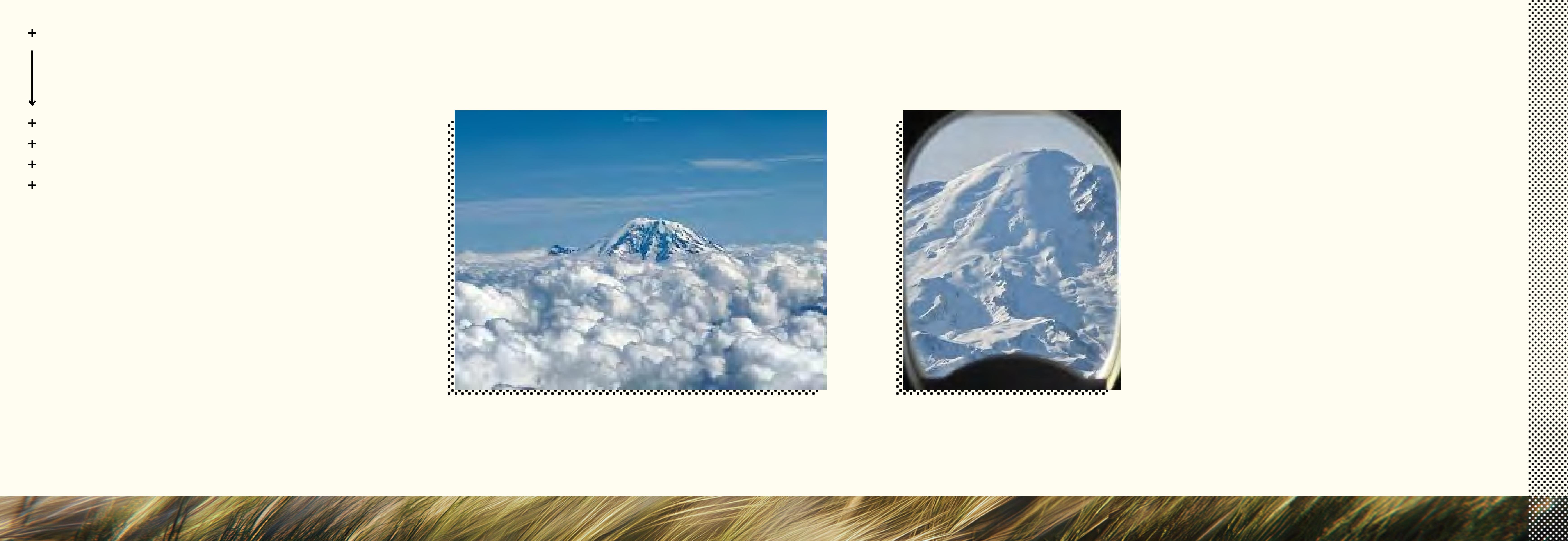




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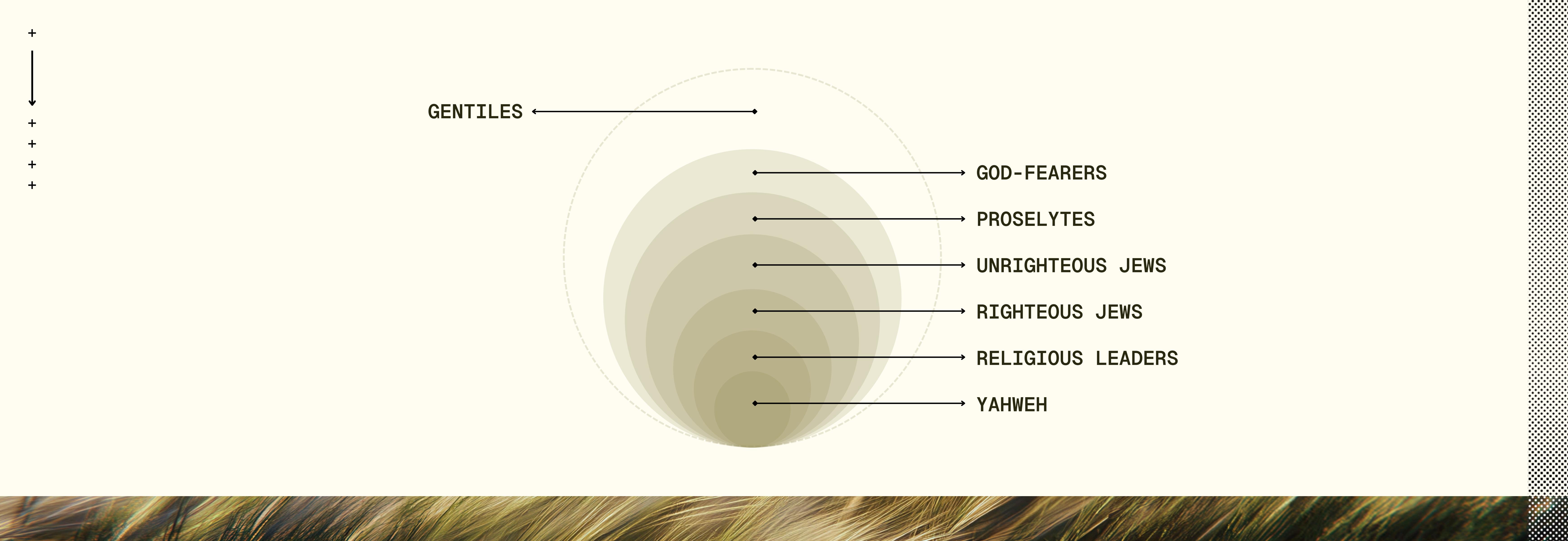
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From Paphos, Paul and his companions sailed to Perga in Pamphylia, where John left them to return to Jerusalem.<sup>14</sup> From Perga they went on to Pisidian Antioch. On the Sabbath they entered the synagogue and sat down.<sup>15</sup> After the 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.”<sup>16</sup> 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



ACTS 13:17-22

# Paul's Sermon



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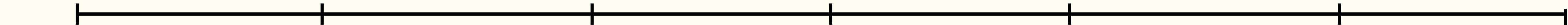
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ACTS 13:17-22

# Paul's Sermon



“From this man’s descendants God has brought to Israel the **Savior Jesus, as he promised.**”

ACTS 13:23 NIV

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Before the coming of Jesus, John preached repentance and baptism to all the people of Israel.<sup>25</sup> 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.’<sup>26</sup> “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

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# 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.<sup>28</sup> Though they found no proper ground for a death sentence, they asked Pilate to have him executed.<sup>29</sup> When they had carried out all that was written about him, **they took him down from the cross and laid him in a tomb.**  
**<sup>30</sup> But God raised him from the dead...**”

ACTS 13:27-30A NIV

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**“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



“Therefore, my friends, I want you to know that through Jesus the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you.<sup>39</sup> Through him everyone who believes is set free from every sin, a justification you were not able to obtain under the law of Moses.”

ACTS 13:38-39 NIV

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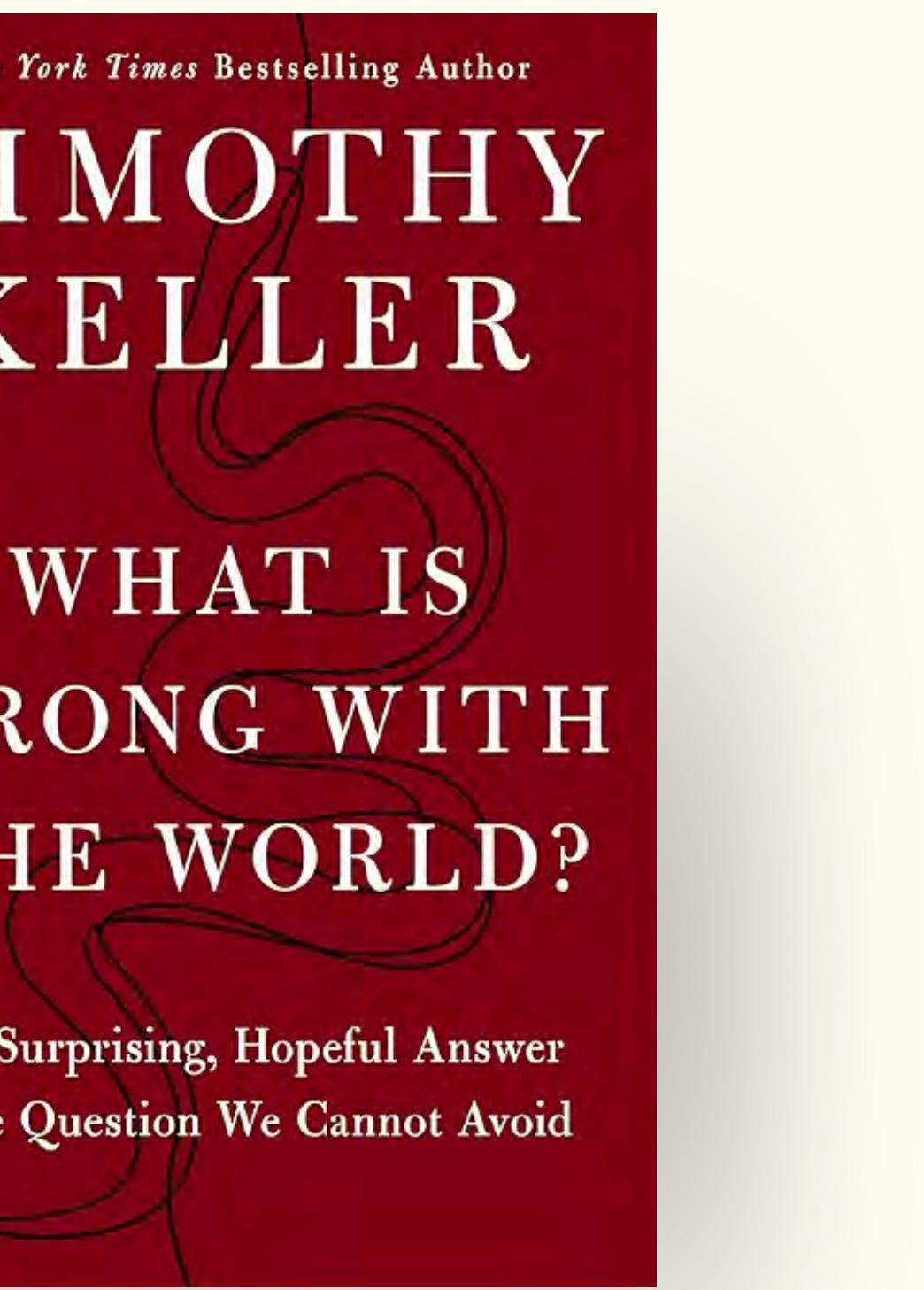
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- TIMOTHY KELLER  
WHAT IS WRONG WITH THE WORLD

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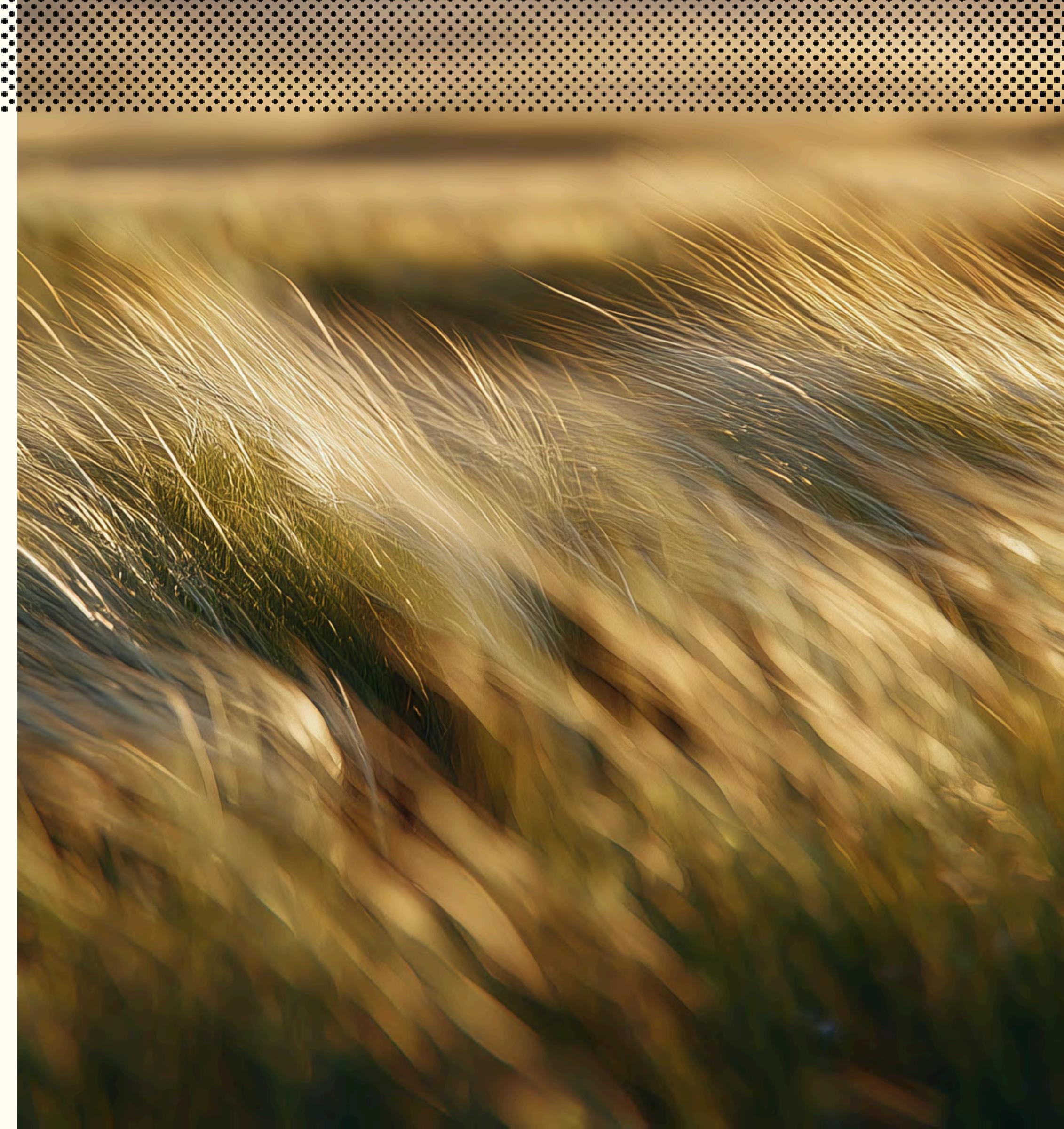
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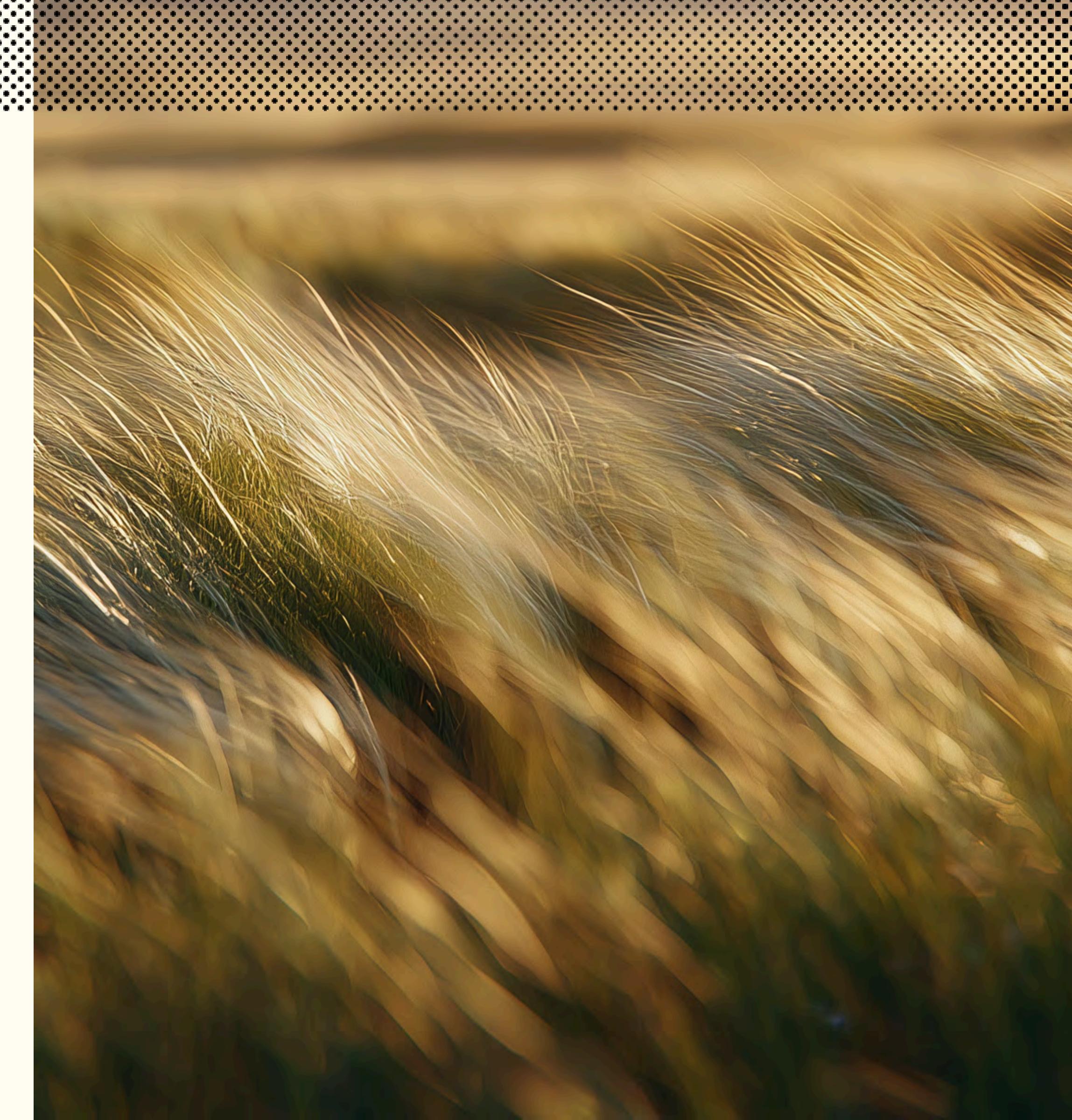
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**JOHN 8:34 NIV**



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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

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As Paul and Barnabas were leaving the synagogue, the people invited them to speak further about **these things** on the next Sabbath.  
<sup>43</sup> 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

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On the next Sabbath almost the whole city gathered to hear the word of the Lord.<sup>45</sup> When the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy. They began to contradict what Paul was saying and heaped abuse on him.<sup>46</sup> 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.”

ACTS 13:44-46 NIV

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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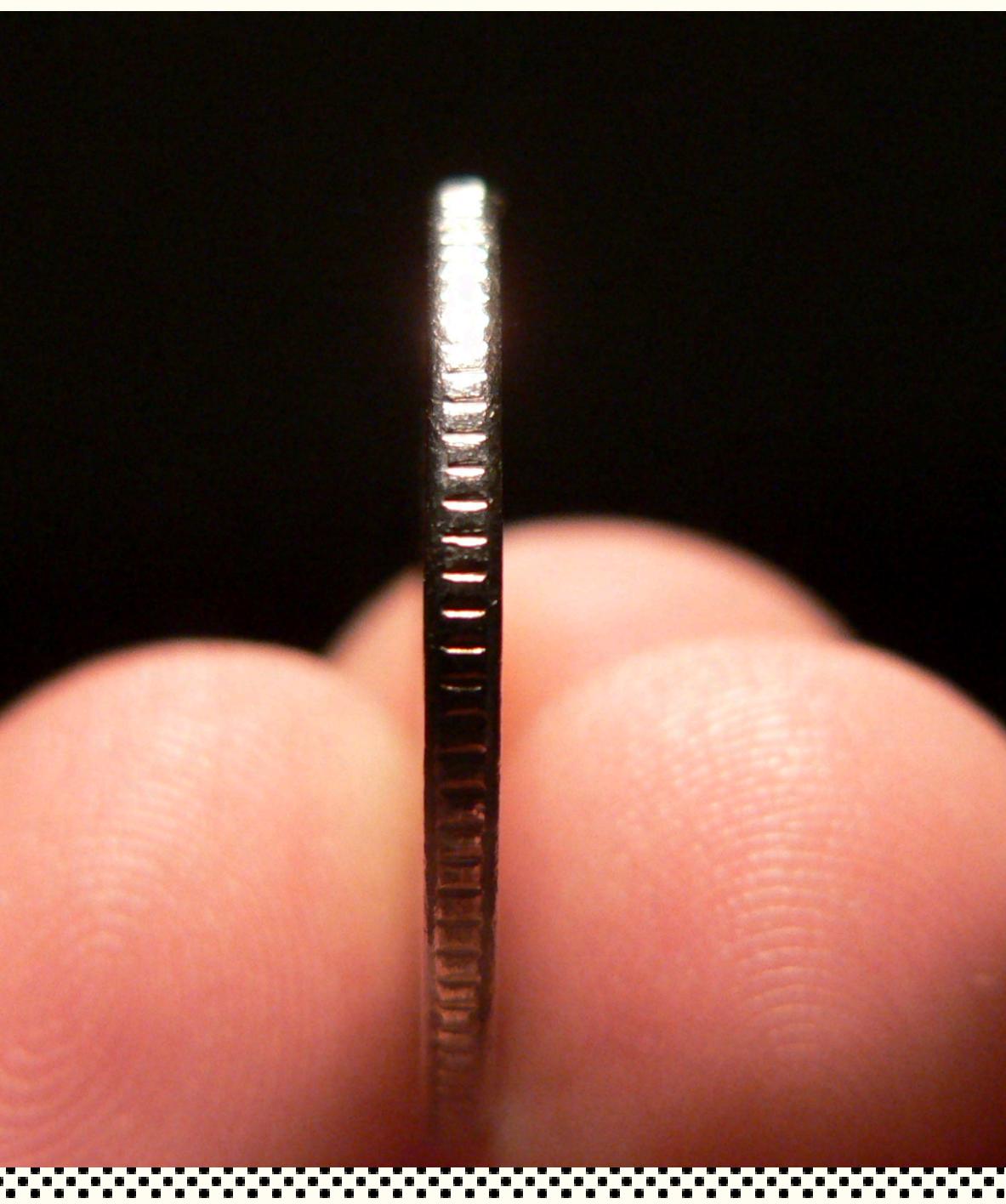
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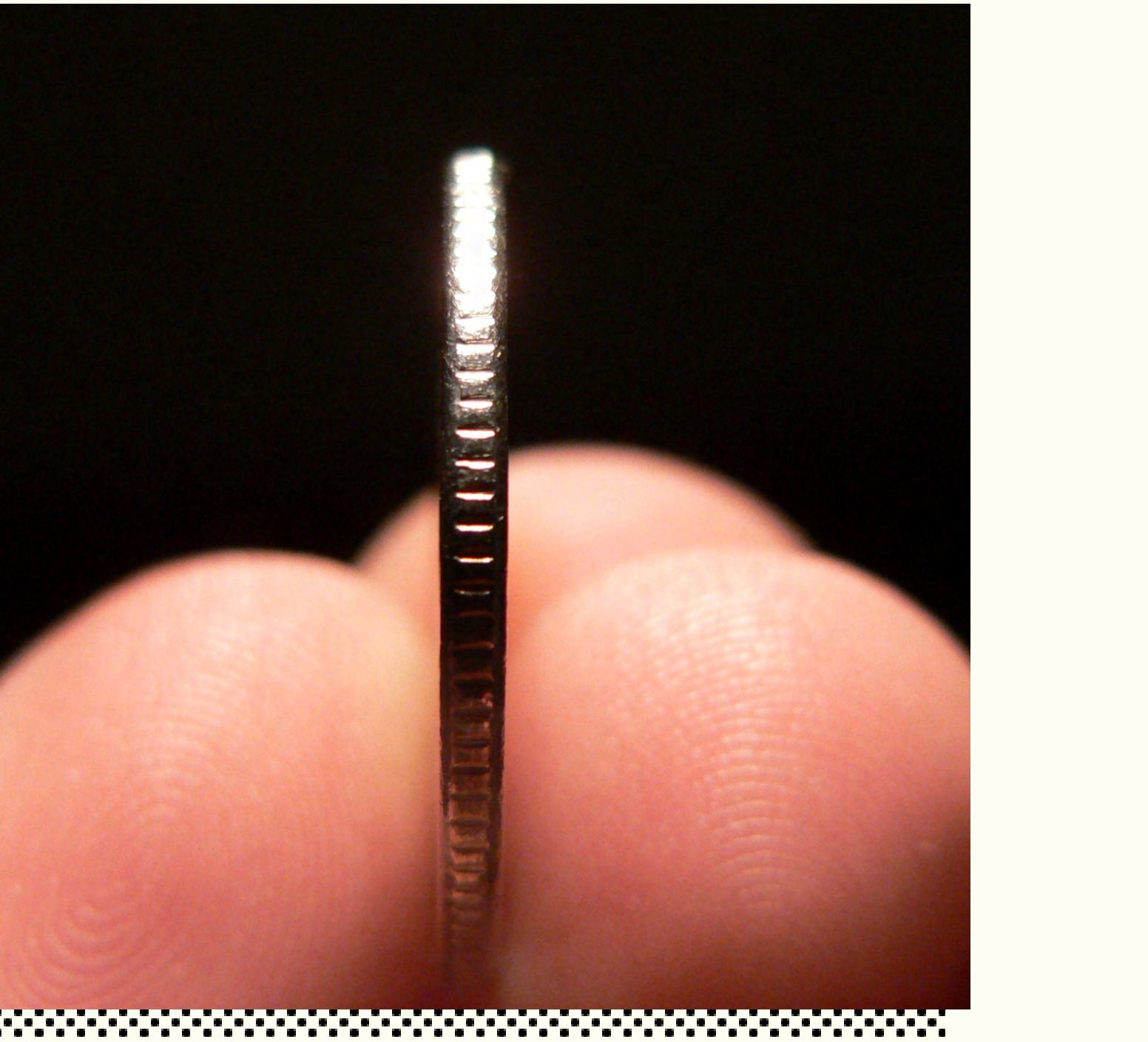
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- ACTS 13:48 NIV



<sup>35</sup> 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.

<sup>39</sup> 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.

<sup>40</sup> 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

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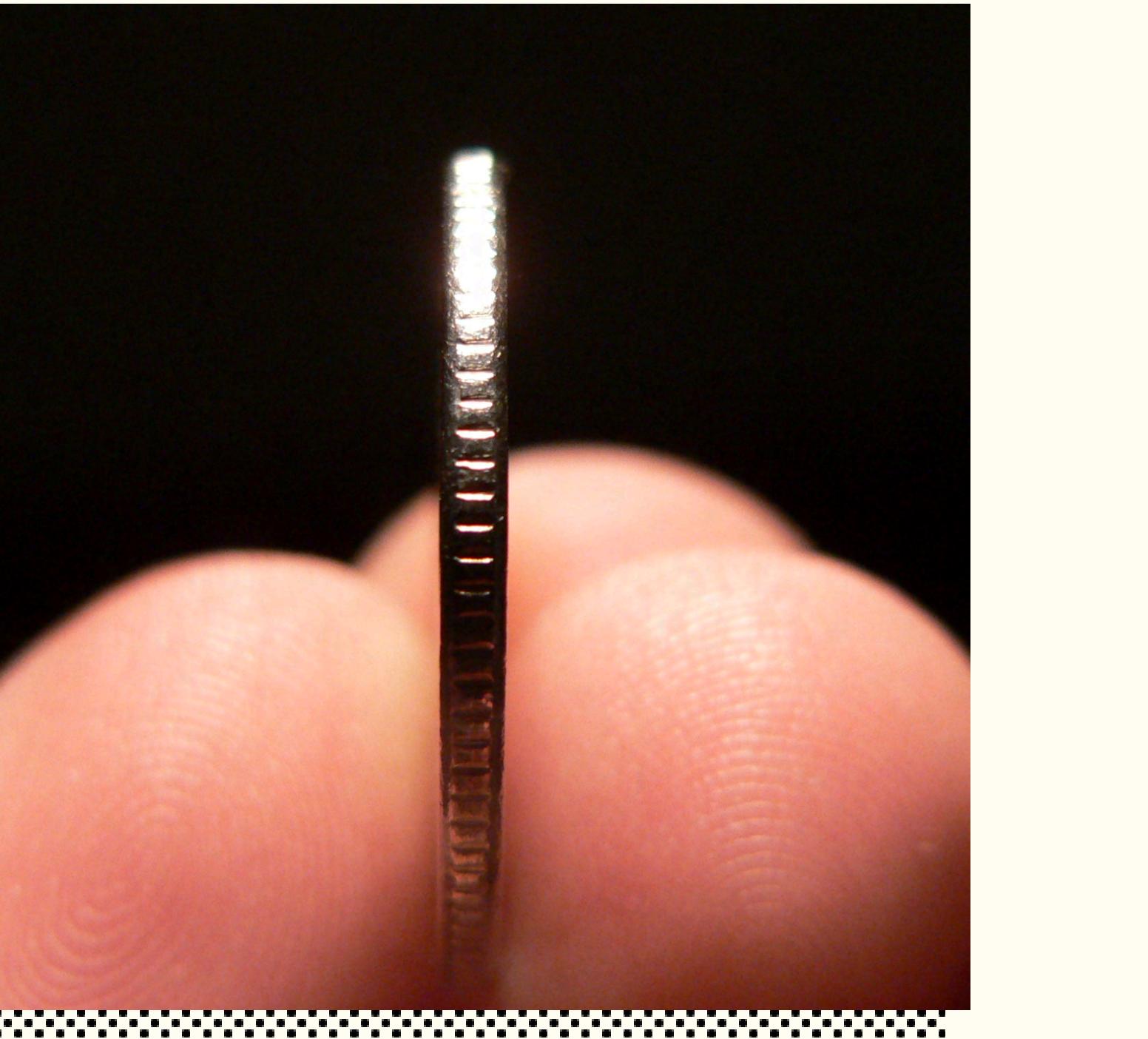
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**“God’s predestination and human free choice are a mystery but not a contradiction. We apprehend each as true, but we do not comprehend how both are true. In brief, we are chosen but free!”**

**- NORM GEISLER,  
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# Good News in a Sin-Sick World

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ACTS 13:49-52 NIV

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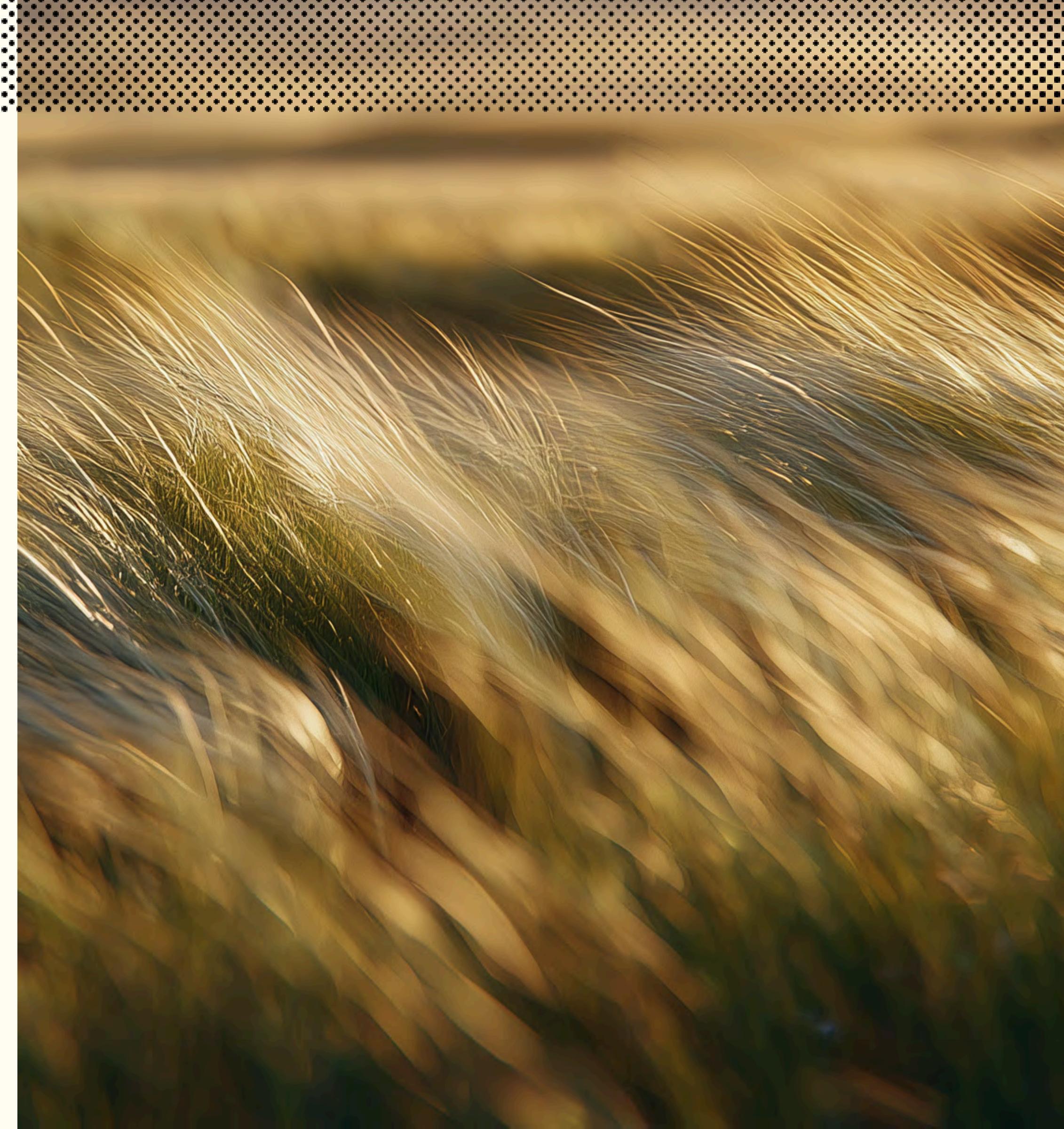
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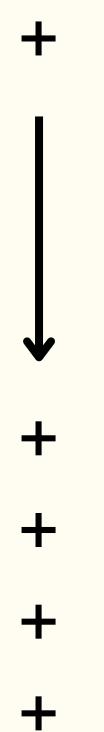
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