



***“Whoever Has Ears,
Let Them Hear”***

(part 1)

*Grab
your
notesheets!*

SERMON NOTES
FOR KIDS

WHO IS SPEAKING?

WHAT IS THE TITLE OF TODAY'S SERMON?

WHERE CAN YOU FIND THIS VERSE IN THE BIBLE?

WHAT ARE WE LEARNING ABOUT GOD FROM THIS PASSAGE?

WRITE OR DRAW SOMETHING THAT YOU HEARD IN THE SERMON OR IN A SONG TODAY.

WORDS YOU HEARD BUT DON'T KNOW....

FAVORITE SONG?

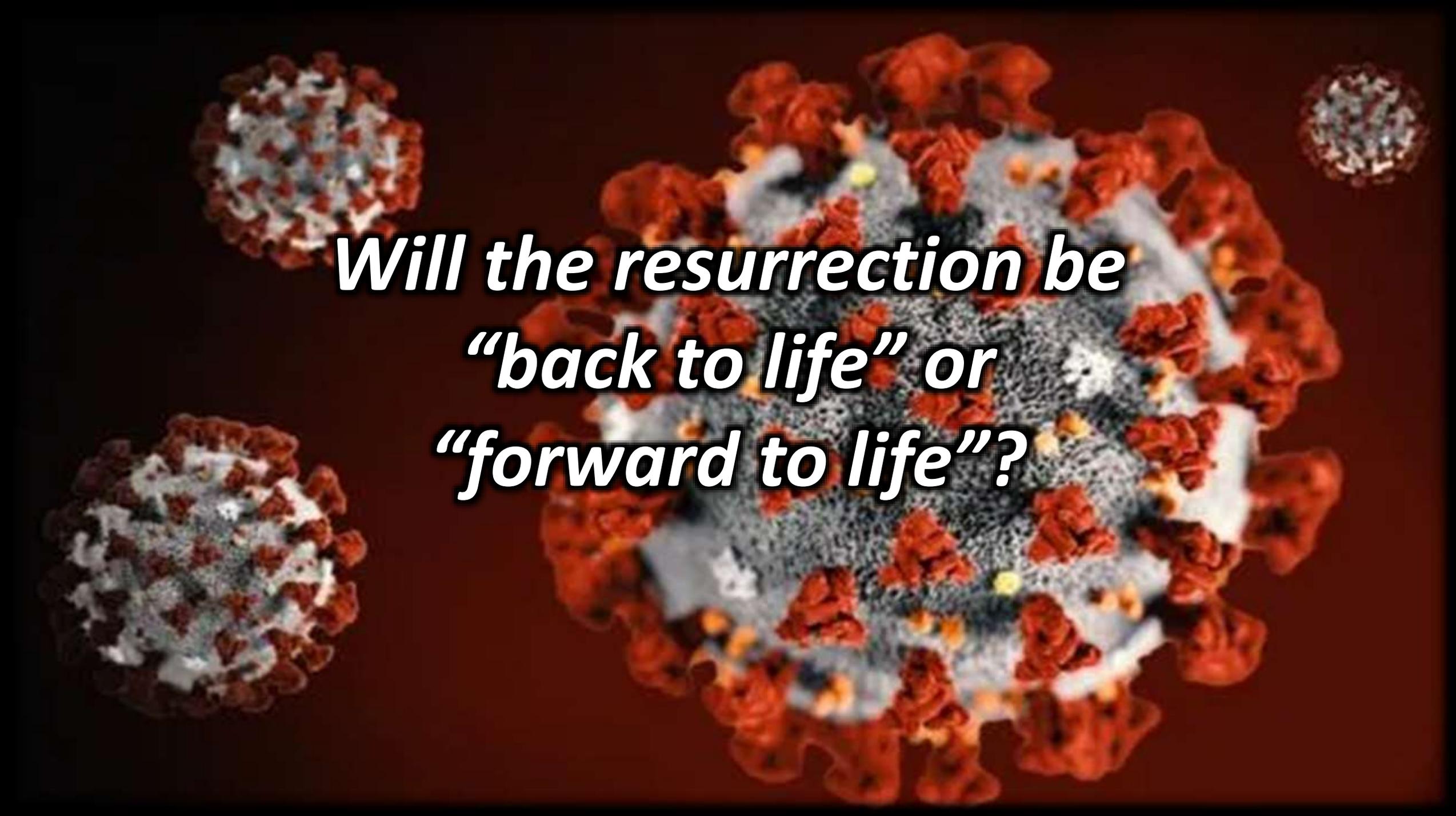
cross town
children's ministry

A cinematic scene depicting a resurrected Jesus Christ standing in the center of a group of people. He is wearing a white, glowing robe and has a beard and long hair. The people around him are dressed in traditional Middle Eastern attire, including robes and head coverings. The setting appears to be an interior space with stone walls and a doorway in the background. The lighting is dramatic, with a strong glow emanating from Jesus, creating a sense of divine presence. The overall mood is solemn and awe-inspiring.

***What happens
after a resurrection?***



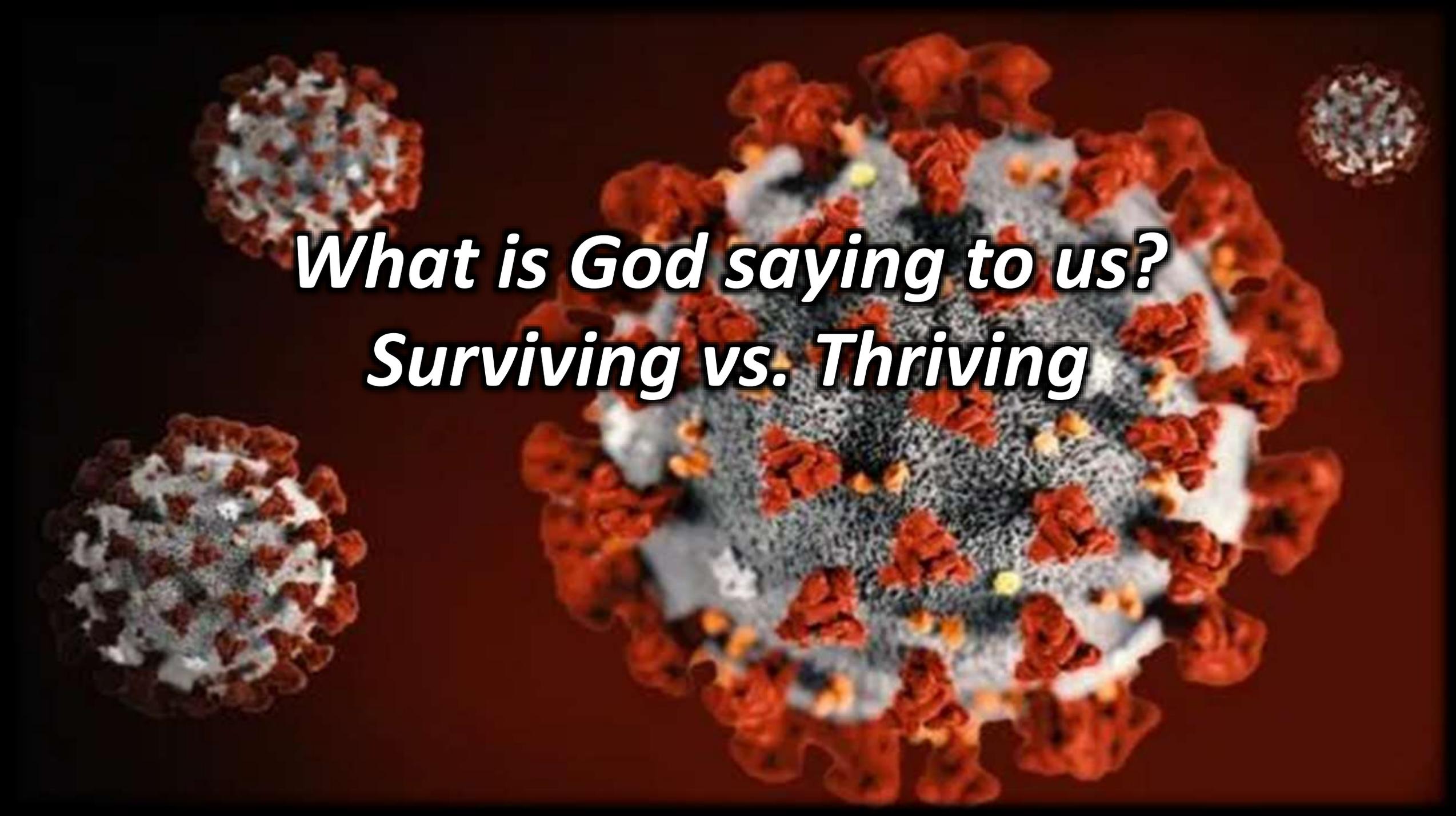
***After COVID-19,
there will be another kind
of “resurrection”!***



***Will the resurrection be
“back to life” or
“forward to life”?***



What is God saying to us?



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Surviving vs. Thriving***



What is our response to God?



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ECB's vision moving forward***

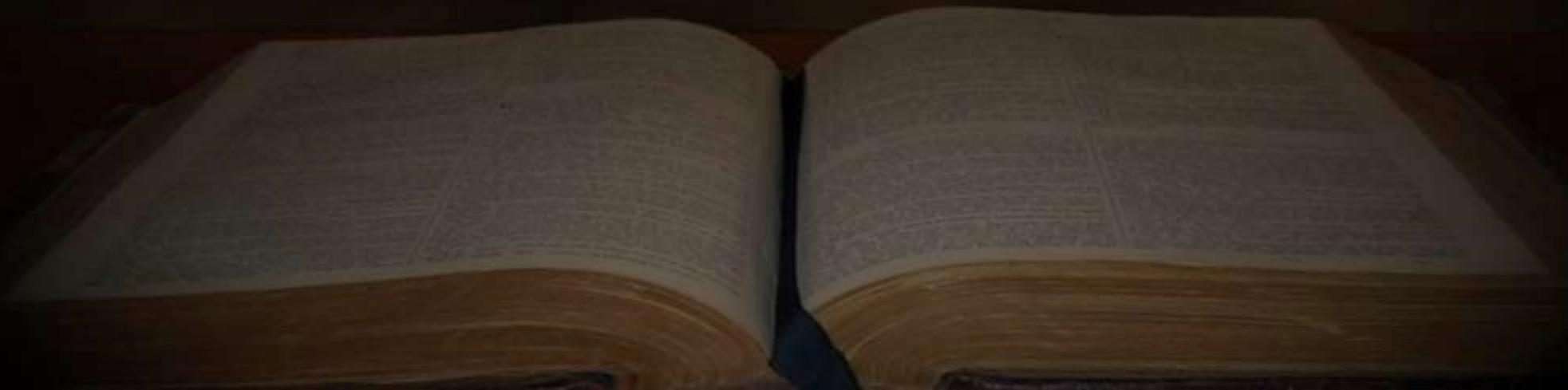
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things other than the true God. Isaiah 43:11; 45:5-6

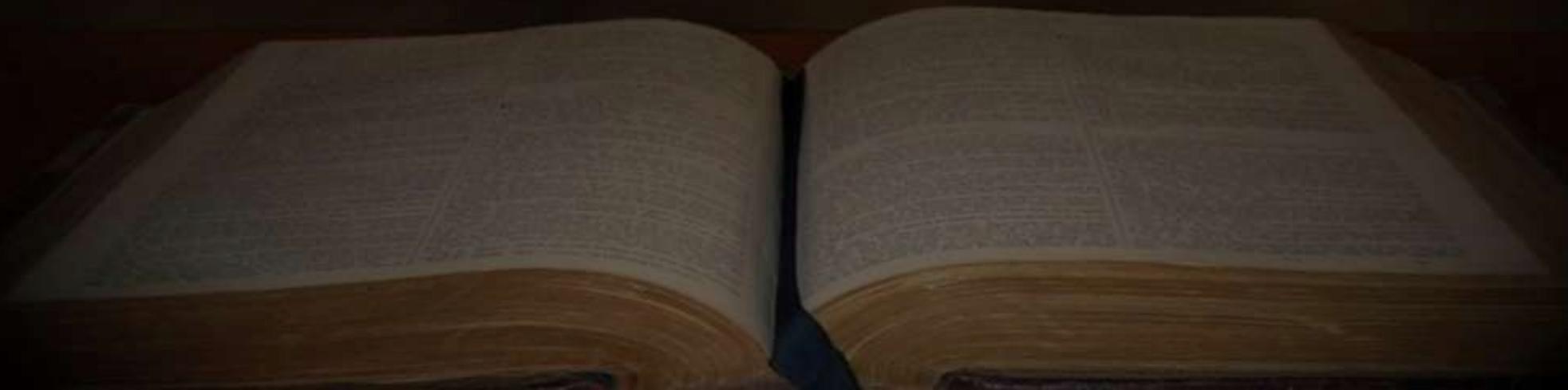
Isaiah 43:11

*“I, even I, am the LORD,
and apart from me there is no savior.”*



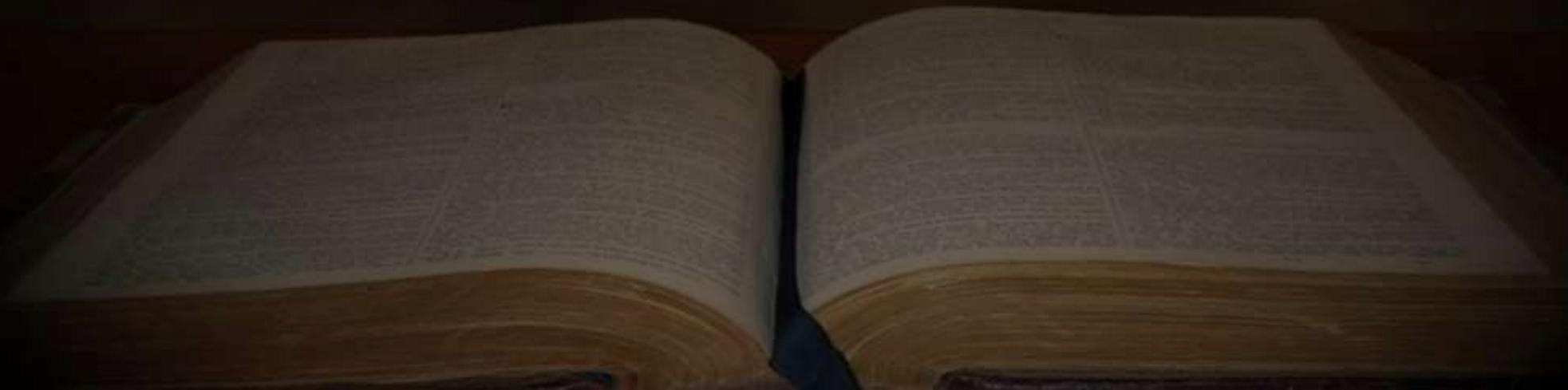
Isaiah 45:5-6

*“I am the Lord, and there is no other;
apart from me there is no God.
I will strengthen you,
though you have not acknowledged me,*



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*“so that from the rising of the sun
to the place of its setting
people may know there is none besides me.
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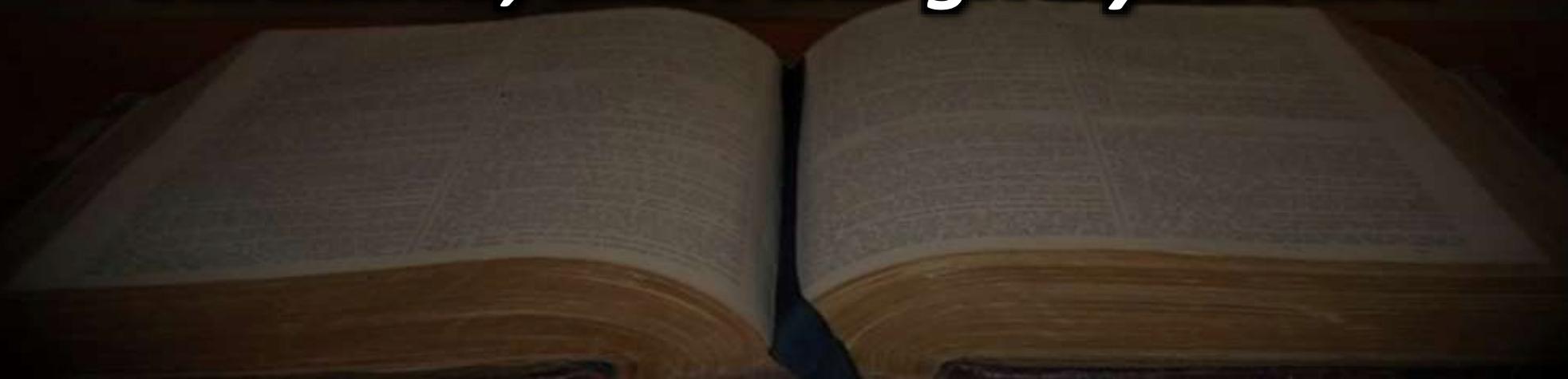
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“Turn to me and be saved, all you ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is no other.”

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.”



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Ezekiel 36:23

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“And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. and the nations will know that I am the Lord,” declares the Lord God, “when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes.”

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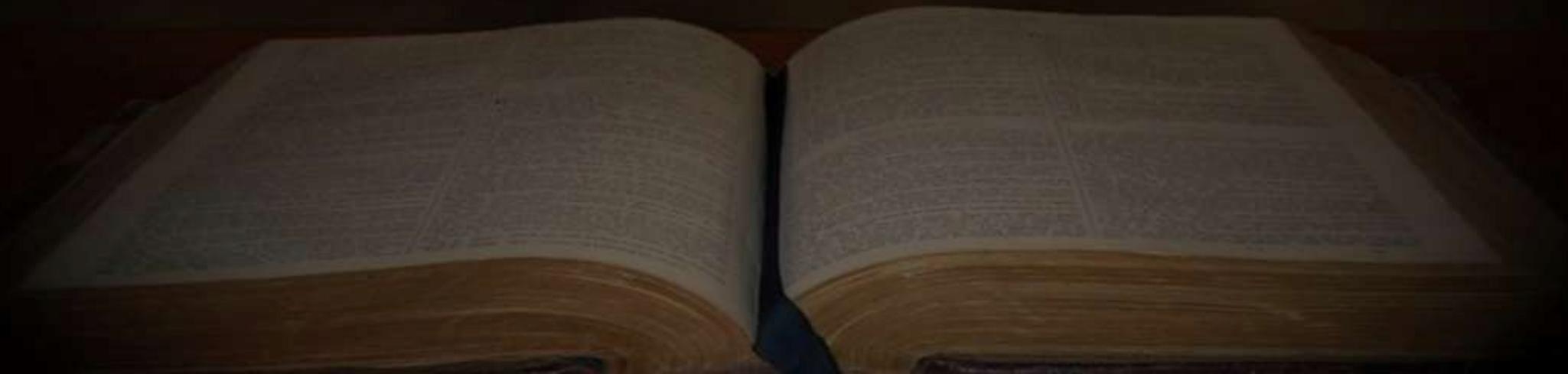
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*“Every good and perfect gift is from above,
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the Father of the heavenly lights,
who does not change like shifting shadows.”*



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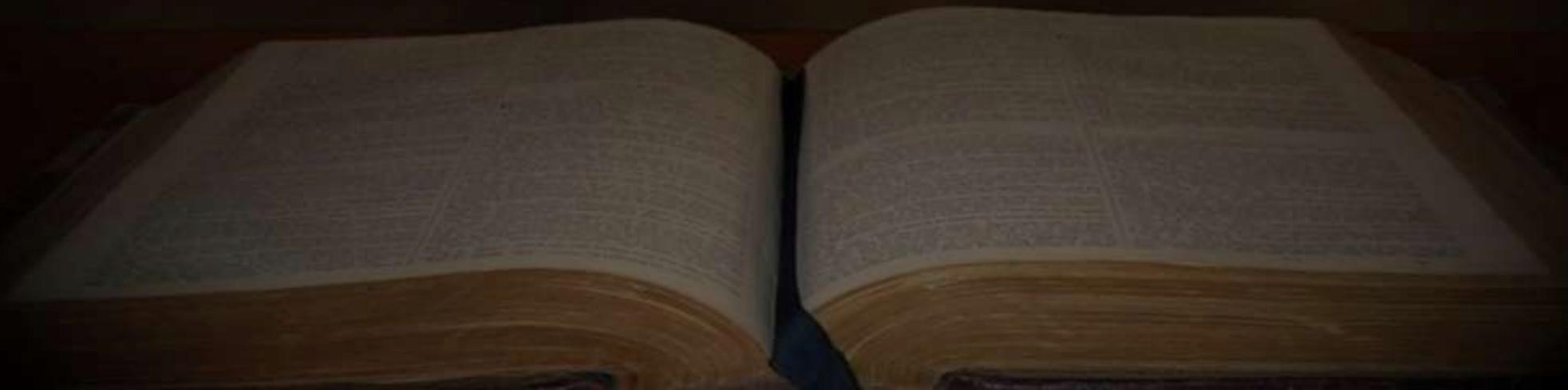
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but on two truths: James 4:13-15; Romans 14:8

- Truth #1 – God created me.
- Truth #2 – Jesus bought me.

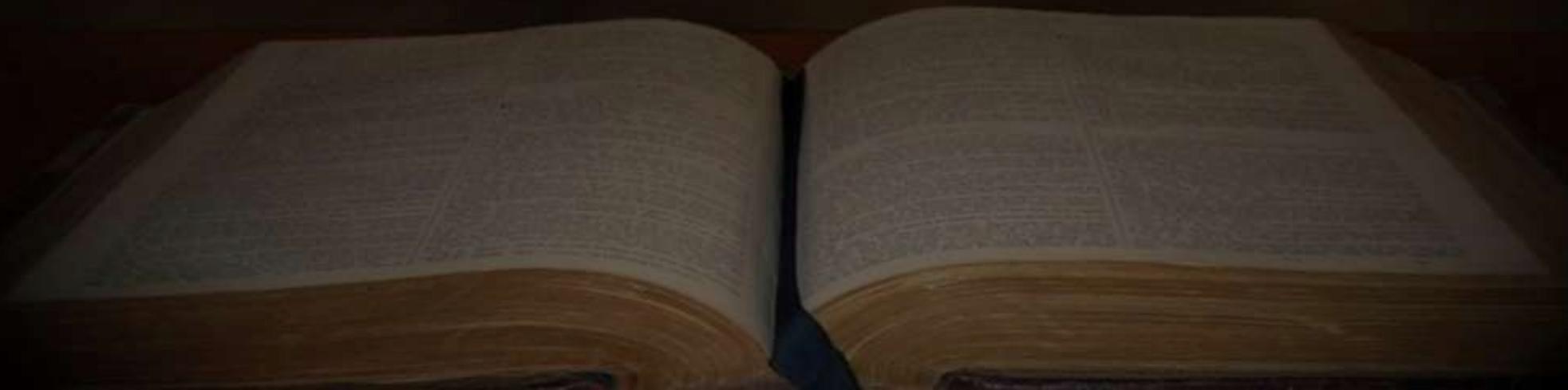
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*“Now listen, you who say,
‘Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city,
spend a year there, carry on business
and make money.’*



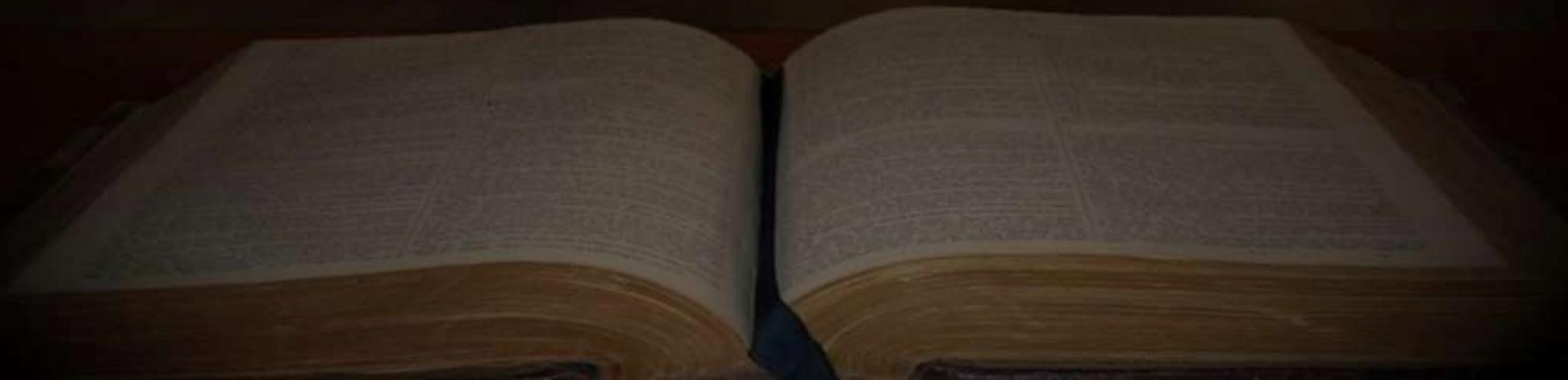
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“Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes.”



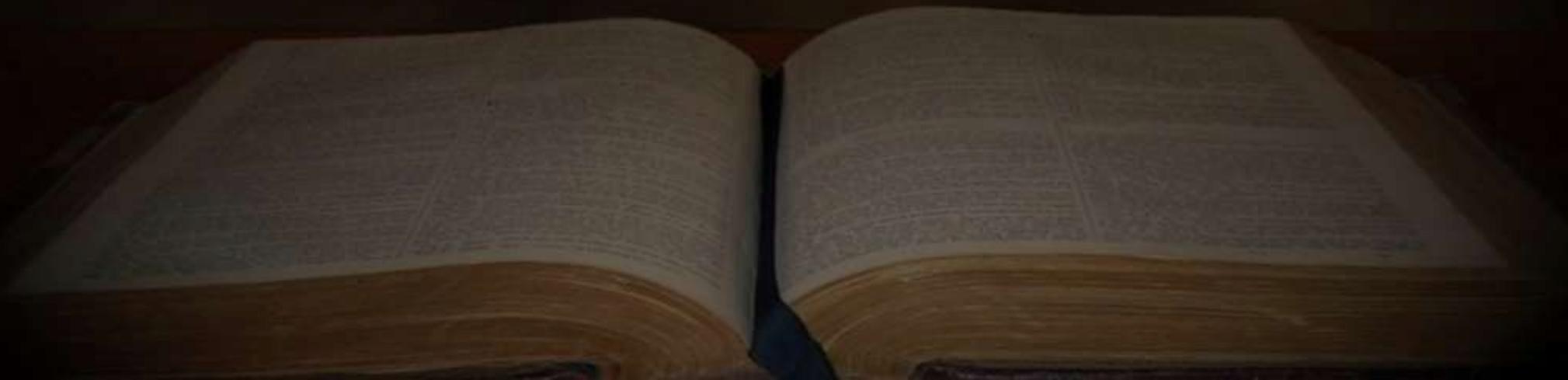
James 4:13-15

*“Instead, you ought to say,
‘If it is the Lord’s will,
we will live and do this or that.’”*



Romans 14:8

*“If we live, we live for the Lord;
and if we die, we die for the Lord.
So, whether we live or die,
we belong to the Lord.”*



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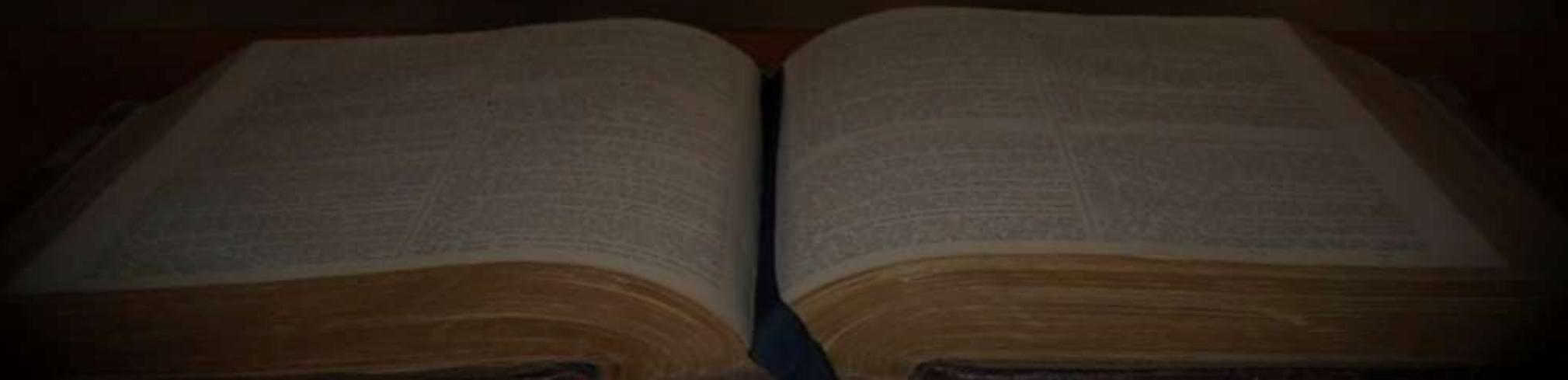
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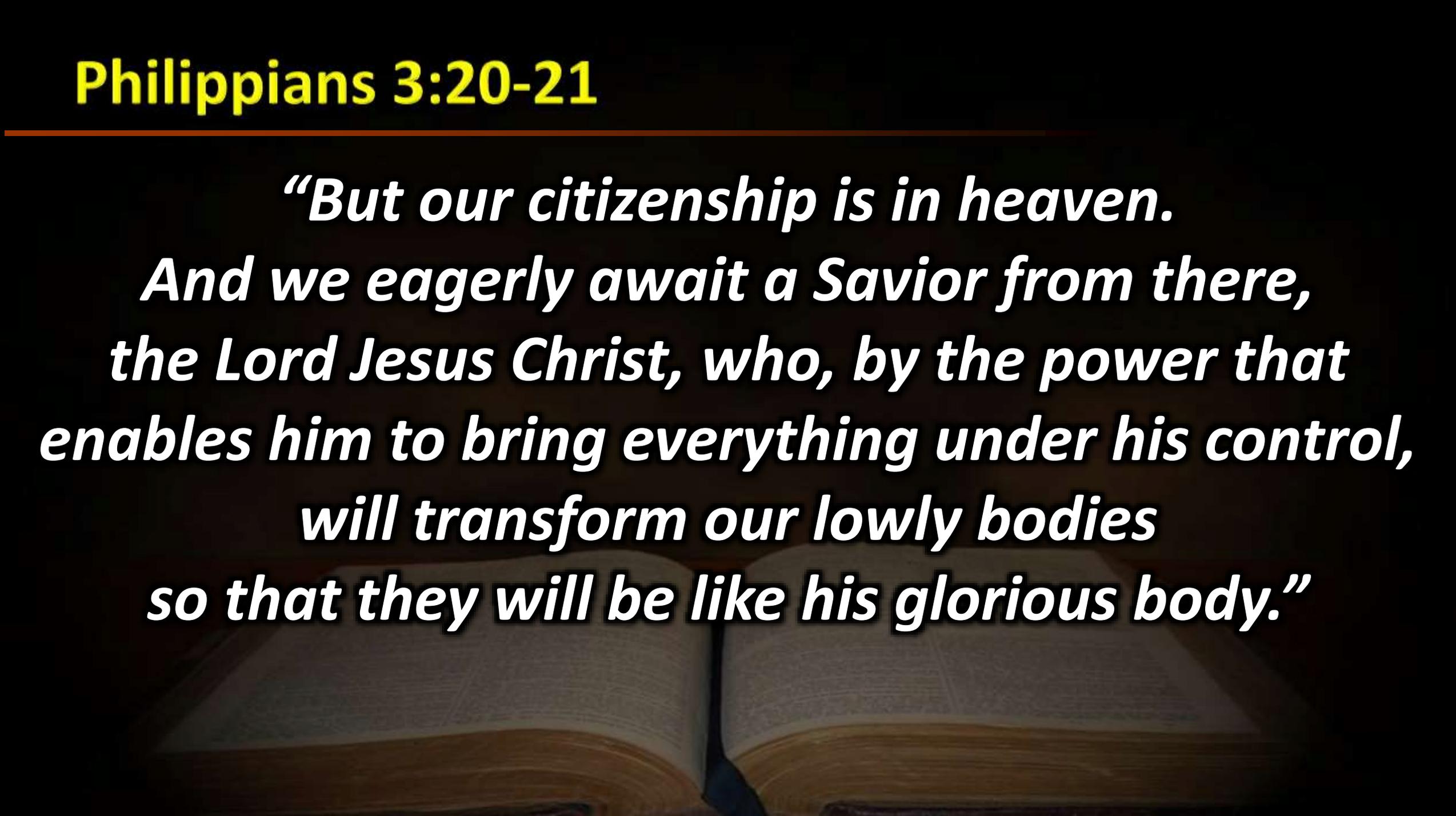
“For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.”



Philippians 3:20-21

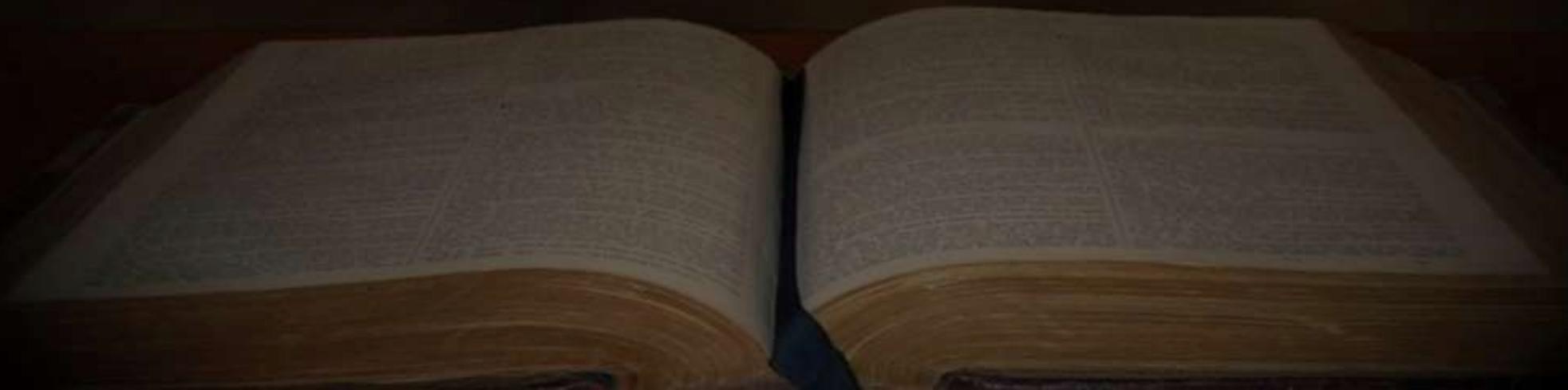
“But our citizenship is in heaven.

*And we eagerly await a Savior from there,
the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that
enables him to bring everything under his control,
will transform our lowly bodies
so that they will be like his glorious body.”*

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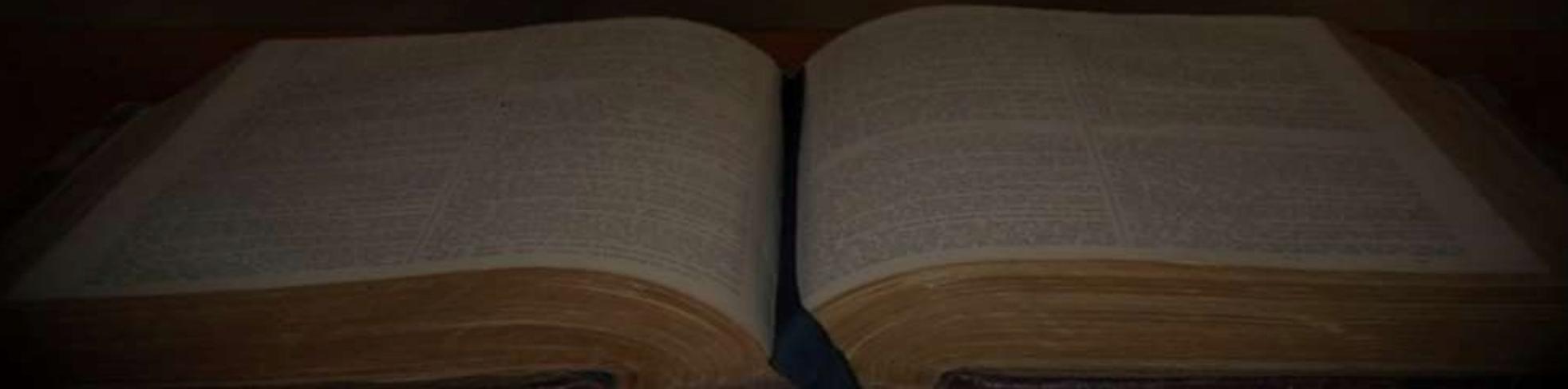
2 Corinthians 4:17

“For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.”



Colossians 3:2-3

*“Set your minds on things above,
not on earthly things.
For you died, and your life is now
hidden with Christ in God.”*



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that is, dying under the curse of sin.
- 7) We will all be perfectly healed. Just not here.
- 8) Circumstances are not what they appear to be outwardly.
- 9) We are unaware of how much more we focus on our circumstances than on God.

10) Grab the true life not the fake life. 1 Timothy 6:19

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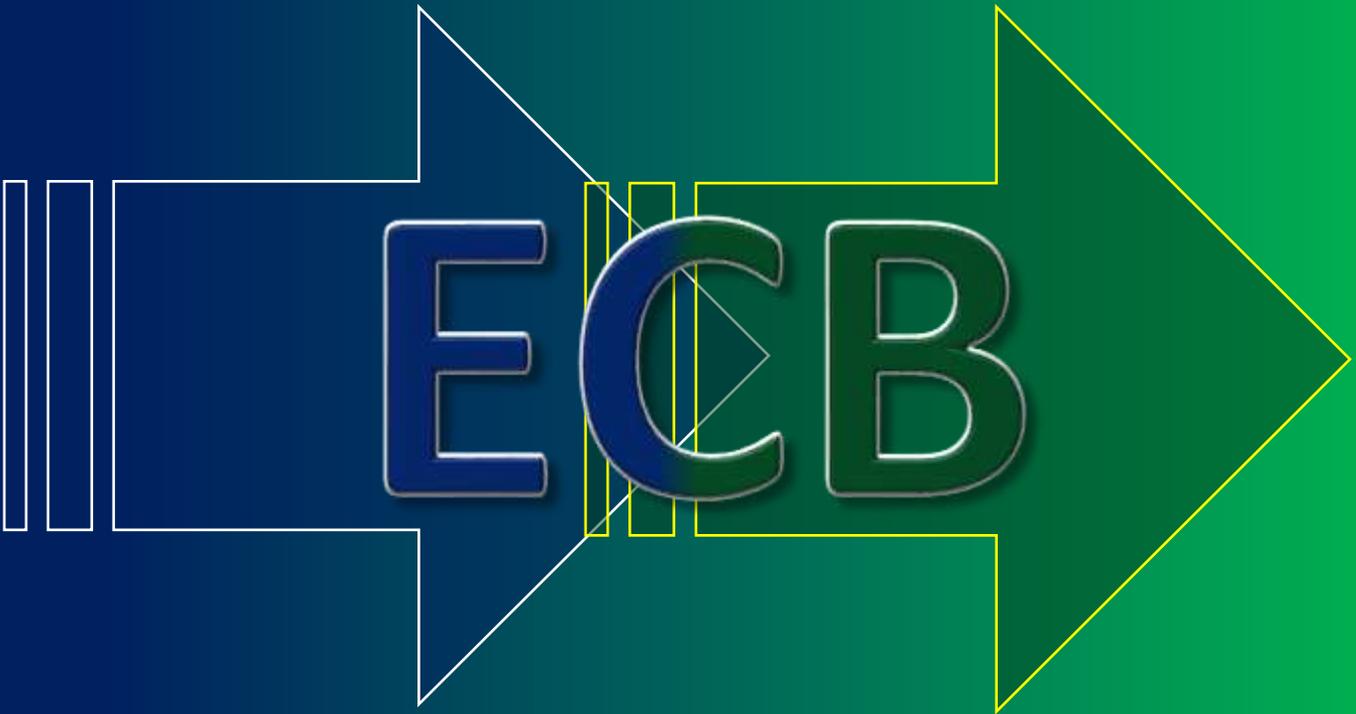
“Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.”

1 Timothy 6:19

*“Command them to do good,
to be rich in good deeds,
and to be generous and willing to share.
In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves
as a firm foundation for the coming age,
so that they may take hold of
the life that is truly life.”*

***God is calling the Church
to listen to Him now
during these lockdown days
and to return to
Kingdom values.***

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Phase 1

ECB EDIFY

Phase 2

ECB EXTEND

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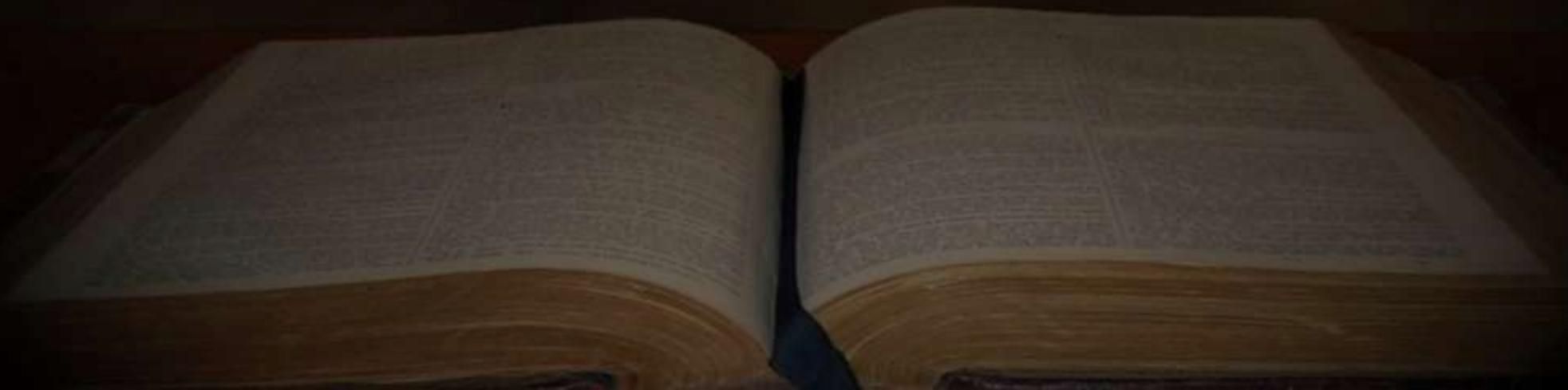
God's People



The Welcome of Jesus

Hebrews 3:13

*“But encourage one another daily,
as long as it is called ‘Today,’
so that none of you may be hardened
by sin’s deceitfulness.”*



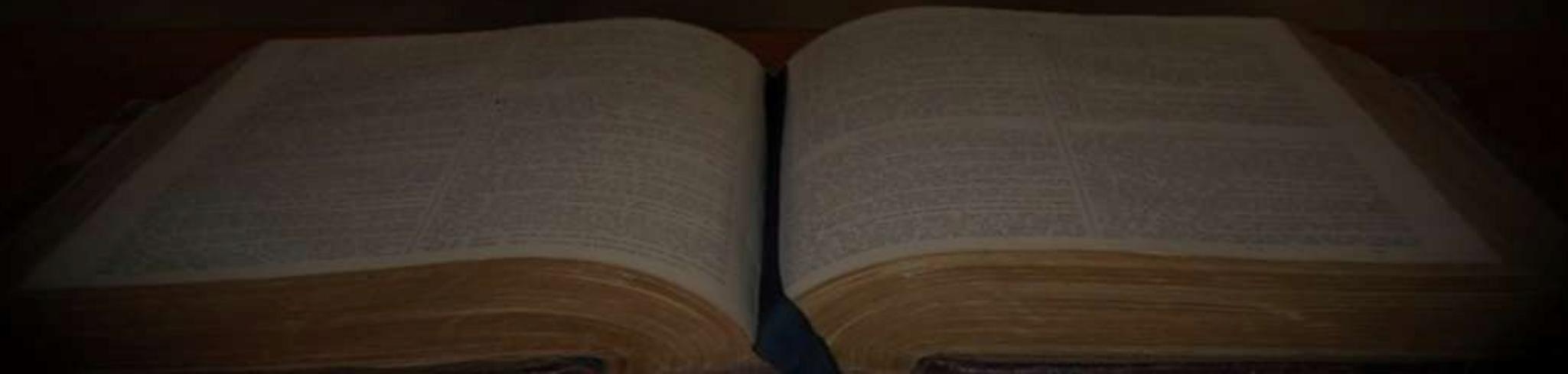
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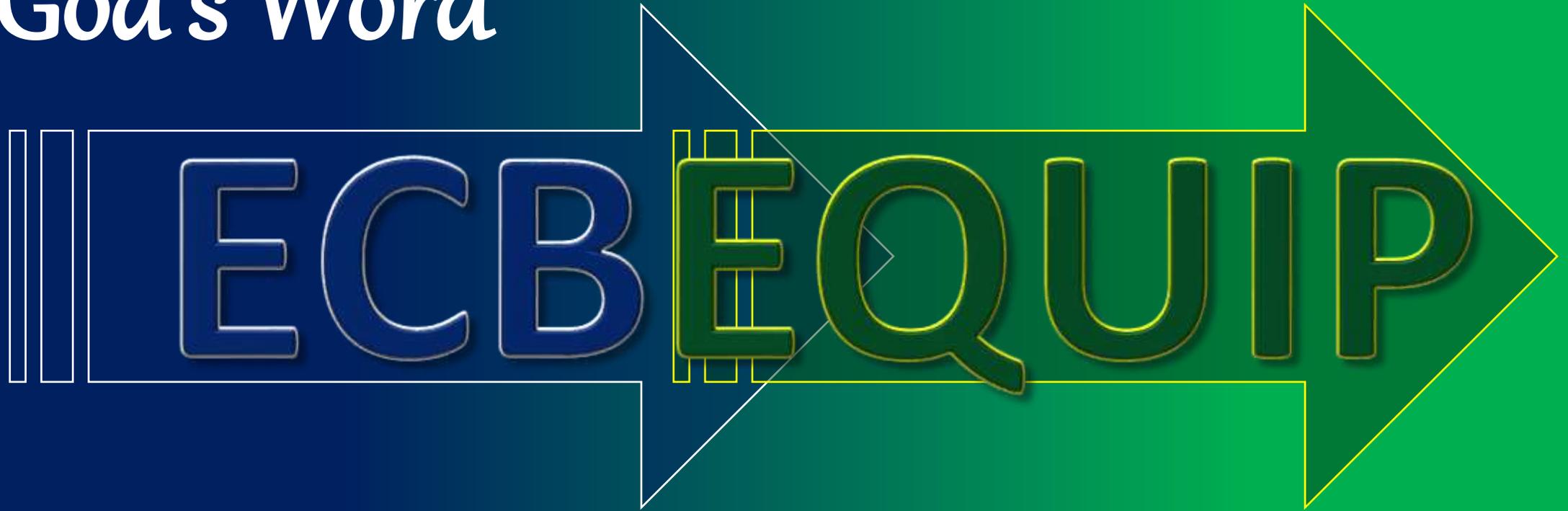
The Supremacy of Jesus

1 Corinthians 10:31

*“So whether you eat or drink
or whatever you do,
do it all for the glory of God.”*



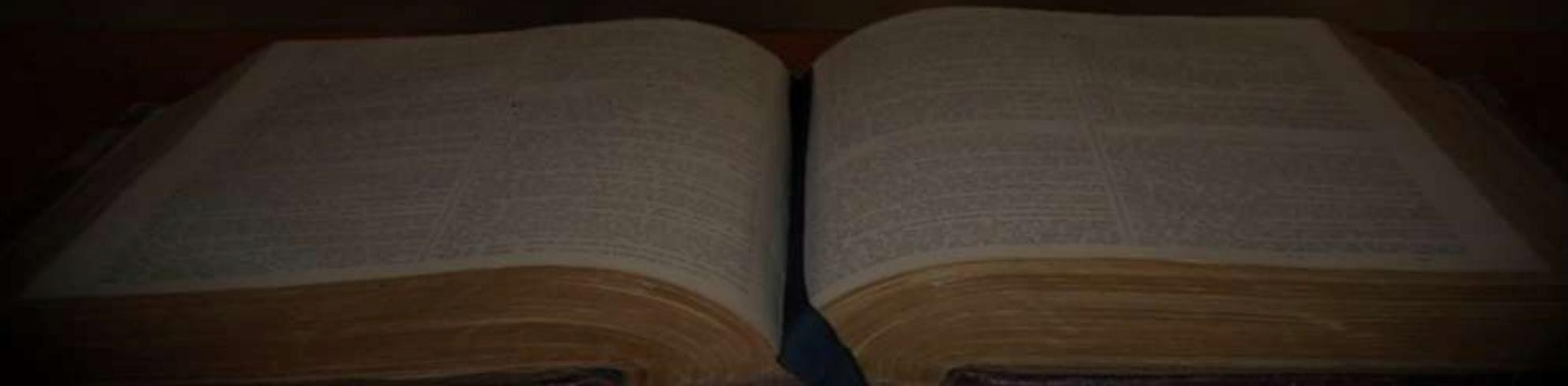
God's Word



The Truth of Jesus

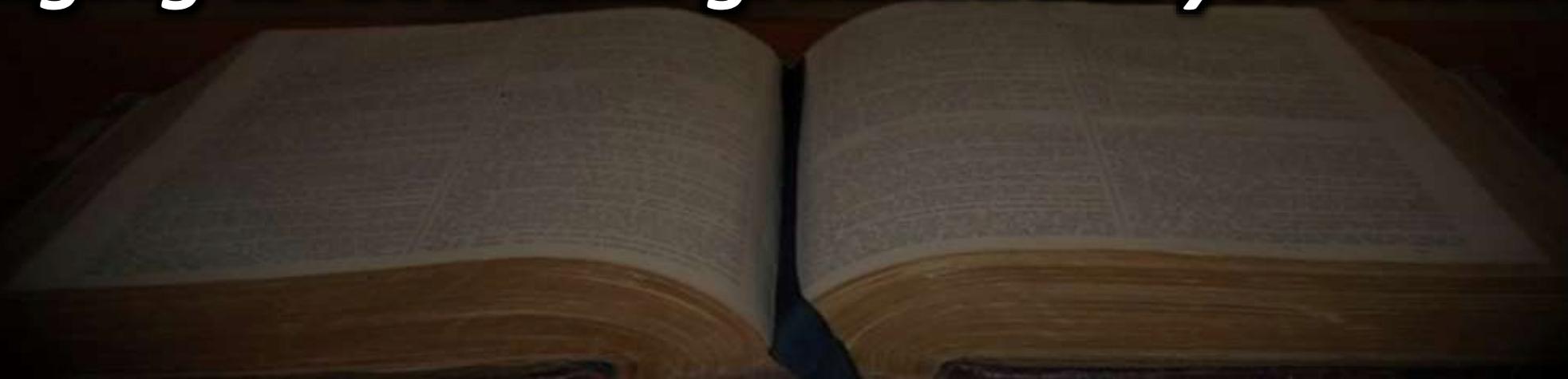
Colossians 3:15-16

*“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,
since as members of one body
you were called to peace. And be thankful.*”



Colossians 3:15-16

“Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.”



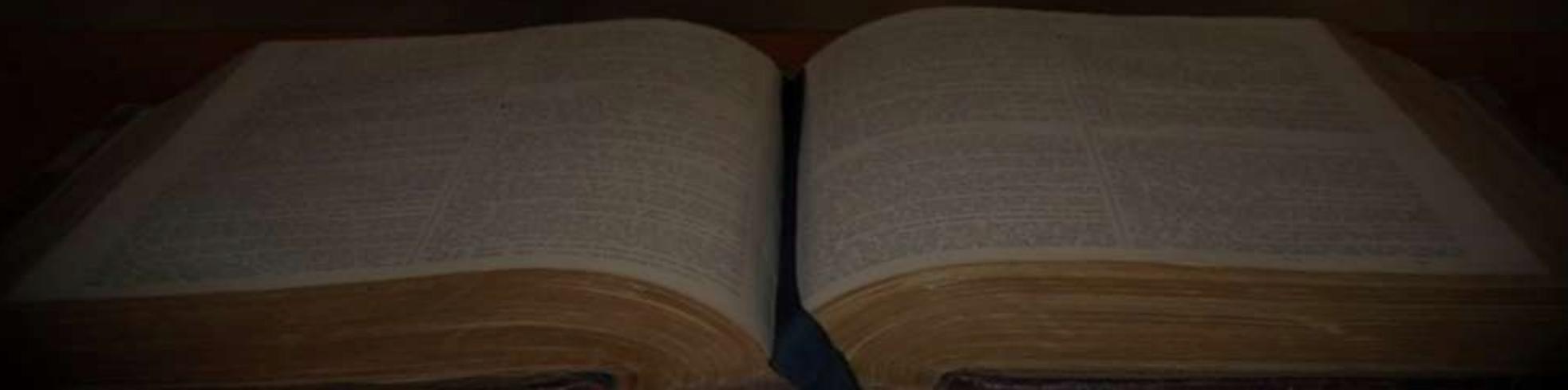
God's World

ECB **EXTEND**

The Heart of Jesus

Matthew 16:25

*“For whoever wants to save their life
will lose it,
but whoever loses their life for me
will find it.”*



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