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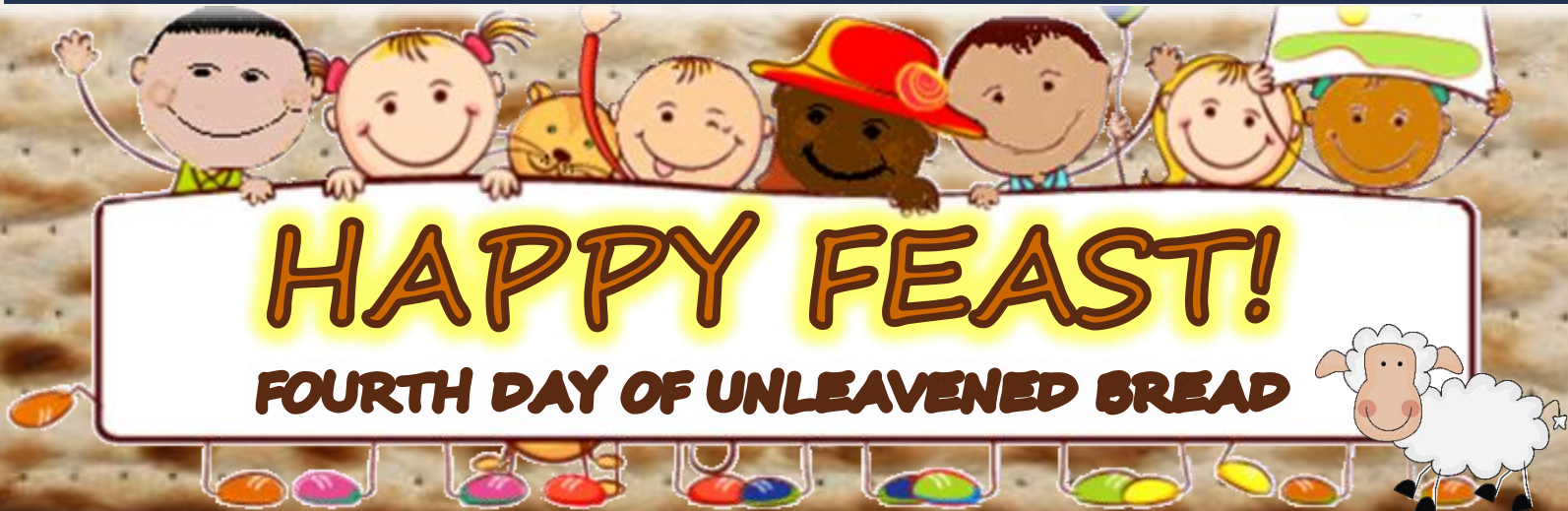
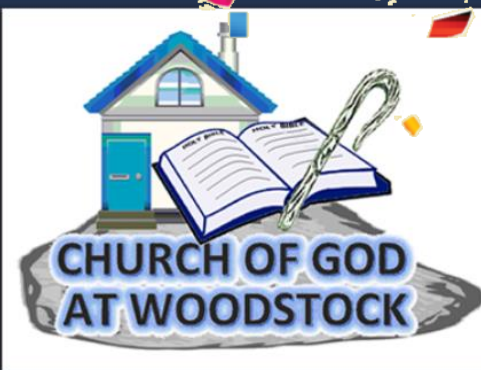
GREETINGS FROM GOD THE FATHER AND OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST



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HAPPY FEAST!

FOURTH DAY OF UNLEAVENED BREAD

PETER WEPT



READY TO DIE FOR YOU



Luke 22:31-33 And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired *to have* you, that he may sift *you* as wheat: But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren. And he said unto him, **Lord, I am ready to go with thee, both into prison, and to death.**

I WOULD NEVER ...!

Mark 14:27-29 And Jesus saith unto them, All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered. But after that I am risen, I will go before you into Galilee. **But Peter said unto him, Although all shall be offended, yet *will* not I.**

OFFENDED=Strong's Greek Dictionary 4624. **σκανδαλιζω skandalizo** *skandal-id'-zo* from 4625; to entrap, i.e. trip up (figuratively, stumble (transitively) or entice to sin, apostasy or displeasure):—(make to) offend.



DON'T GET COCKY!



Mark 14:30-31 And Jesus saith unto him, Verily I say unto thee, That this day, *even* in this night, before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. But he spake the more vehemently, **If I should die with thee, I will not deny thee in any wise. Likewise also said they all.**

CHANGE A'COMIN'

Luke 22:34-36 And he said, I tell thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, before that thou shalt **thrice deny** that thou knowest me. And he said unto them, When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing? And they said, Nothing. Then said he unto them, But now, he that hath a purse, let him take *it*, and likewise *his* scrip: and he that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one.



CAN YA HEAR ME NOW?



Luke 22:37-39 For I say unto you, that this that is written must yet be accomplished in me, And he was reckoned among the transgressors: for the things concerning me have an end. And they said, Lord, behold, here *are two swords*. And he said unto them, **It is enough**. And he came out, and went, as he was wont, to the mount of Olives; and his disciples also followed him.

CAN YA HEAR ME NOW?

Luke 22:40-44 And when he was at the place, he said unto them, Pray that ye enter not into temptation. And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed, Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done. And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him. And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

CAN YA HEAR ME NOW?

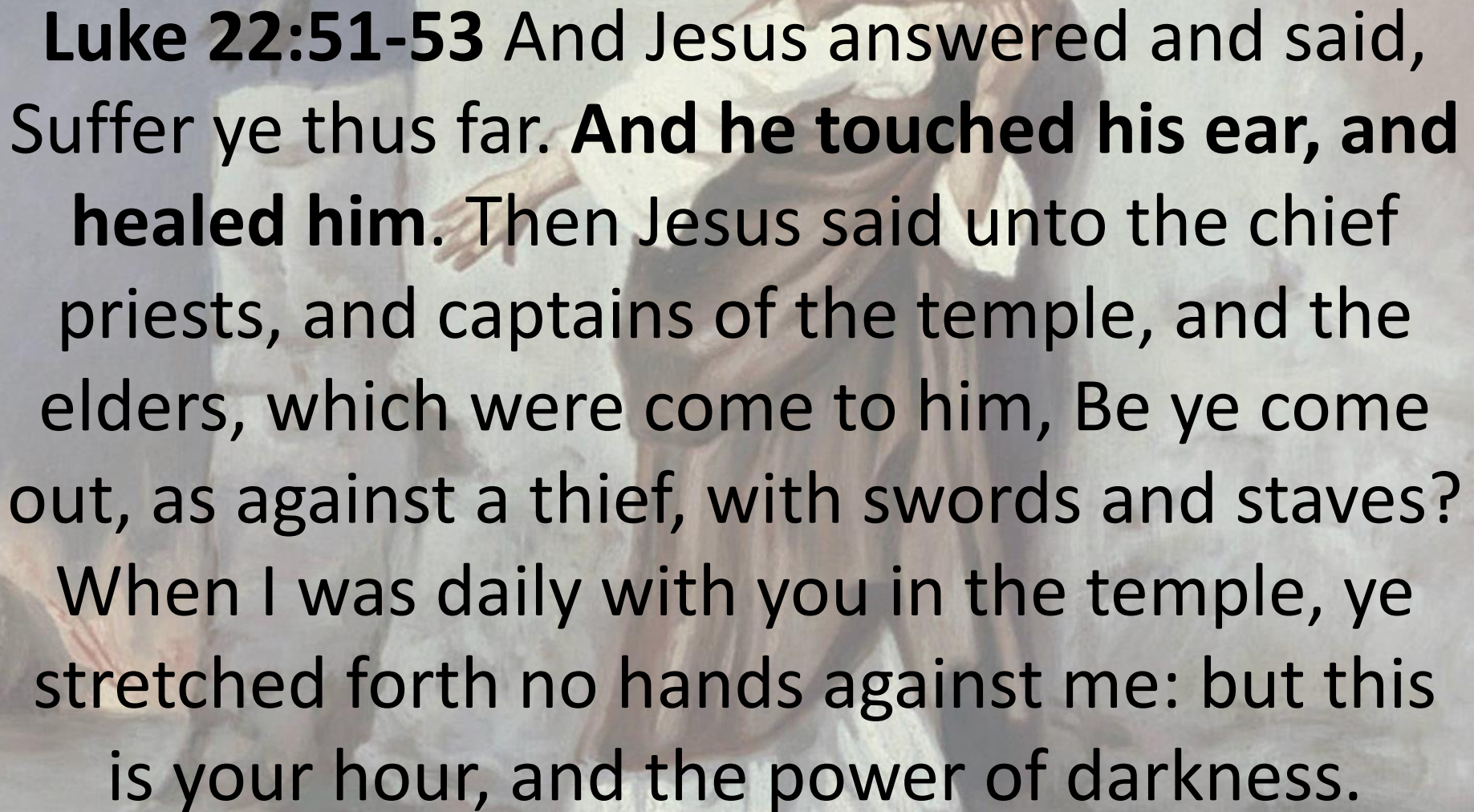
Luke 22:45-47 And when he rose up from prayer, and was come to his disciples, he found them sleeping for sorrow, And said unto them, Why sleep ye? rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. And while he yet spake, behold a multitude, and he that was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them, and drew near unto Jesus to kiss him.

LEND ME YOUR EAR



Luke 22:48-50 But Jesus said unto him, Judas, betrayest thou the Son of man with a kiss? When they which were about him saw what would follow, they said unto him, Lord, shall we smite with the sword? And one of them smote the servant of the high priest, and cut off his right ear.

WOUNDED BY THE SWORD YET LIVED



Luke 22:51-53 And Jesus answered and said, Suffer ye thus far. **And he touched his ear, and healed him.** Then Jesus said unto the chief priests, and captains of the temple, and the elders, which were come to him, Be ye come out, as against a thief, with swords and staves? When I was daily with you in the temple, ye stretched forth no hands against me: but this is your hour, and the power of darkness.

DON'T STAND SO CLOSE TO ME

Luke 22:54-56 Then took they him, and led *him*, and brought him into the high priest's house. **And Peter followed afar off.** And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were set down together, Peter sat down among them. But a certain maid beheld him as he sat by the fire, and earnestly looked upon him, and said, **This man was also with him.**





COCK-A-DOODLE-DOO

Mark 14:65-68 And some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and to buffet him, and to say unto him, **Prophecy:** and the servants did strike him with the palms of their hands. And as **Peter was beneath** in the palace, there cometh one of the maids of the high priest: And when she saw Peter warming himself, she looked upon him, and said, And thou also wast with Jesus of Nazareth. But he denied, saying, **I know not, neither understand I what thou sayest.** And he went out into the porch; and the cock crew.

I SWEAR ON A STACK OF SCROLLS



Mark 14:69-72 And a maid saw him again, and began to say to them that stood by, This is *one* of them. **And he denied it again.** And a little after, they that stood by said again to Peter, Surely thou art *one* of them: for thou art a Galilaeen, and thy speech agreeth *thereto*. **But he began to curse and to swear, saying, I know not this man of whom ye speak. And the second time the cock crew. And Peter called to mind the word that Jesus said unto him, Before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. And when he thought thereon, he wept.**



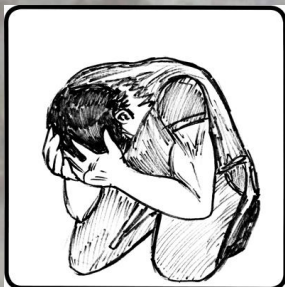
IT AIN'T ME, BABE.



LUKE 22:57-59 And he denied him, saying, **Woman, I know him not.** And after a little while another saw him, and said, **Thou art also of them.** And Peter said, **Man, I am not.** And about the space of one hour after another confidently affirmed, saying, **Of a truth this *fellow* also was with him: for he is a Galilaean.**

FOR PETE'S SAKE!

Luke 22:60-62 And Peter said, Man, I know not what thou sayest. And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew. And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said unto him, **Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice.** And Peter went out, and **wept bitterly.**



FOR PETE'S SAKE!

Peter denied knowing Jesus, despite saying:

- 1) John 6:68** Then Simon Peter answered him, **Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life.**
- 2) Matthew 16:16** And Simon Peter answered and said, **Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. John 6:69** And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.

FOR PETE'S SAKE!

**Peter denied knowing Jesus,
despite being with Jesus:**

- 1) From the beginning of His earthly ministry - Mt 4:17-19**
- 2) At the healing of his own mother-in-law - Mt 8:14-15**
- 3) On the Sea of Galilee, walking on the water - Mt 14:22-33**
- 4) On the mount, seeing Jesus with Moses and Elijah - Mt 17:1-13**

DENIED!

Romans 3:23 For all have sinned, and
come short of the glory of God;

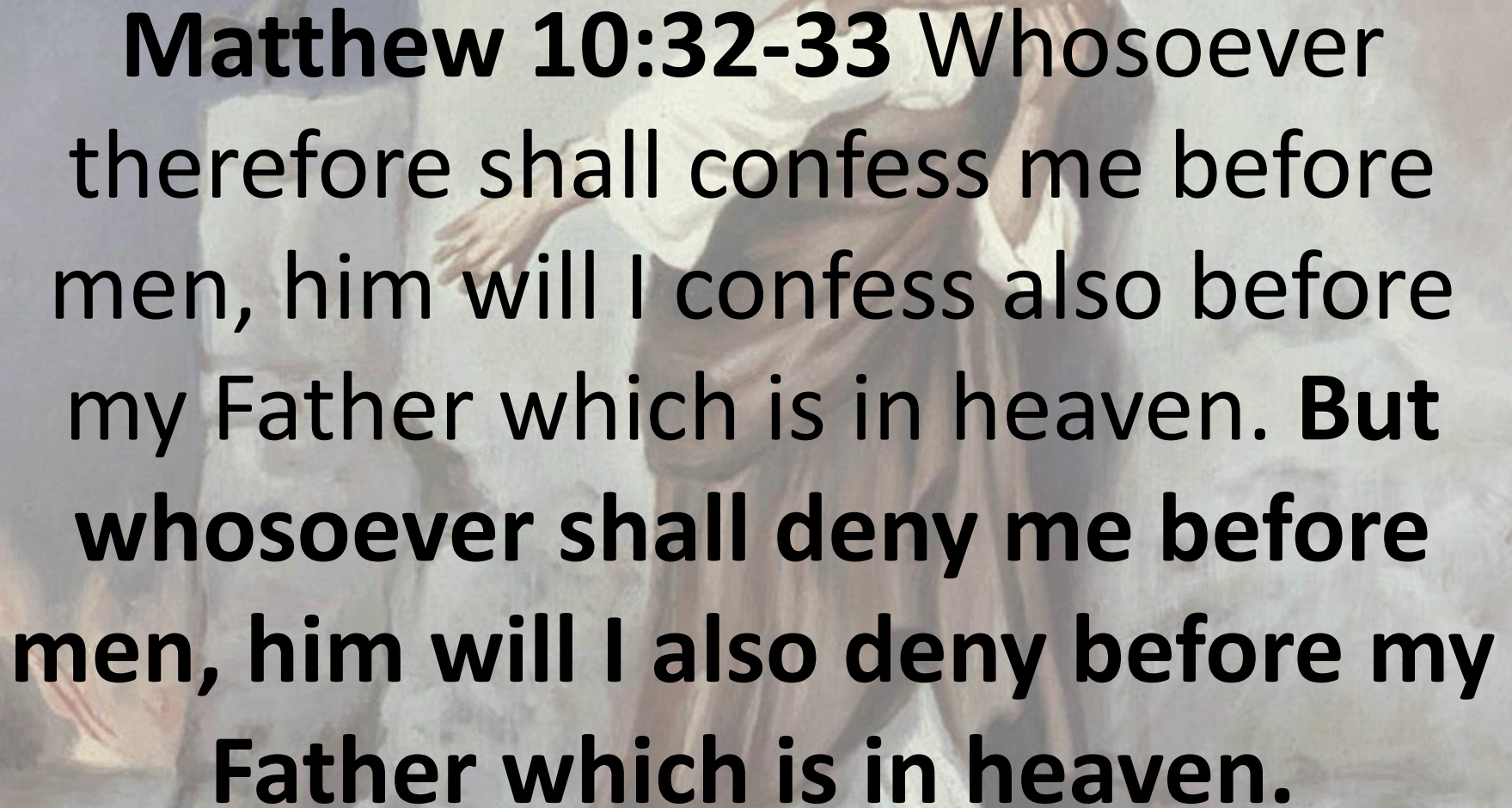


DENIED!

Matthew 10:28-31 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows.

DENIED!

Matthew 10:32-33 Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. **But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.**



SIN SEPARATES US FROM GOD

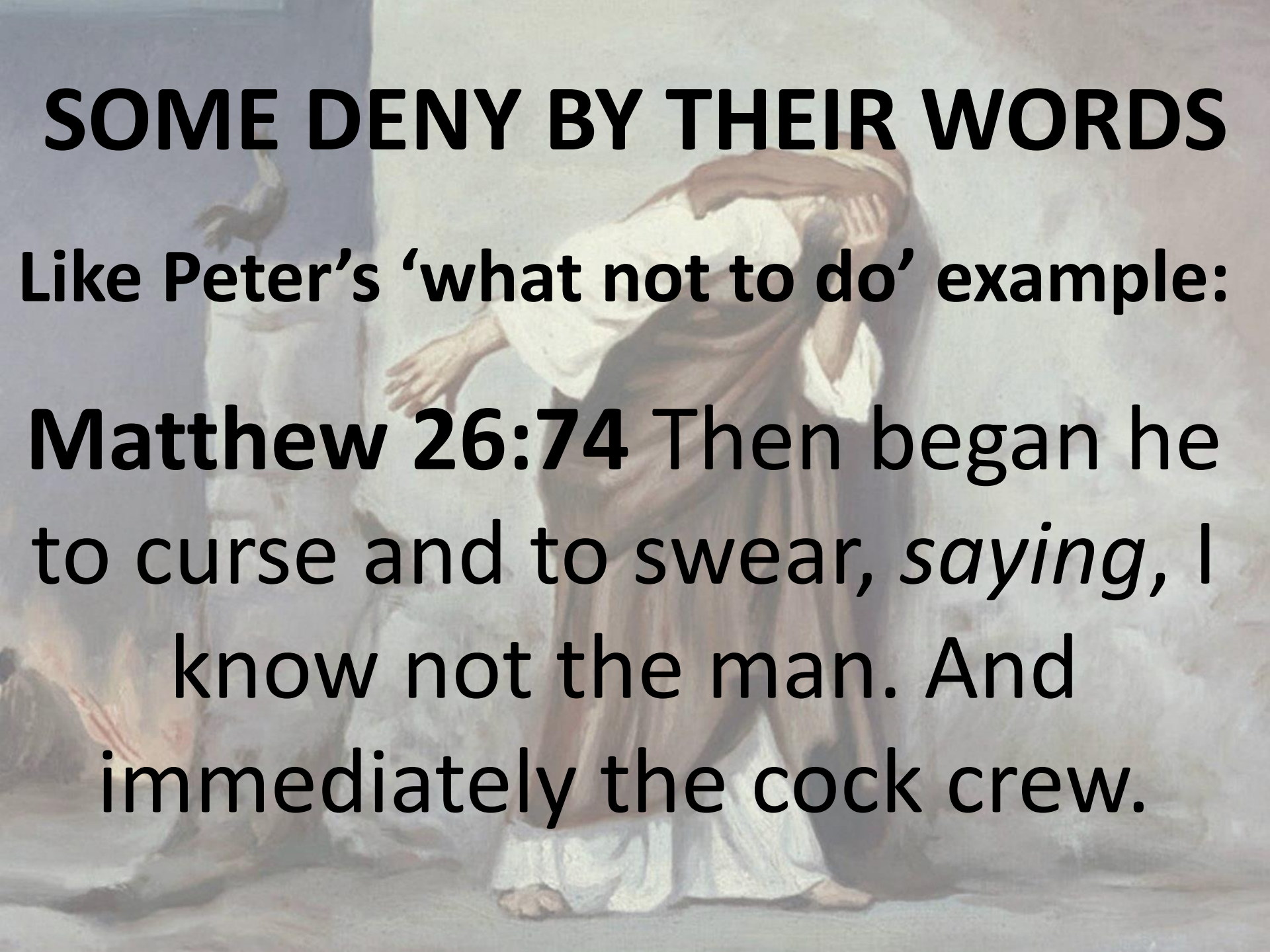
Isaiah 59:1-2 Behold, the LORD'S hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid *his* face from you, that he will not hear.

1 Peter 3:12 For the eyes of the Lord *are* over the righteous, and his ears *are open* unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord *is* against them that do evil.

SOME DENY BY THEIR WORDS

Like Peter's 'what not to do' example:

Matthew 26:74 Then began he to curse and to swear, *saying*, I know not the man. And immediately the cock crew.



SOME DENY BY THEIR WALK

Luke 20:46-47 Beware of the scribes, which desire to walk in long robes, and love greetings in the markets, and the highest seats in the synagogues, and the chief rooms at feasts; Which devour widows' houses, and for a shew make long prayers: the same shall receive greater damnation.

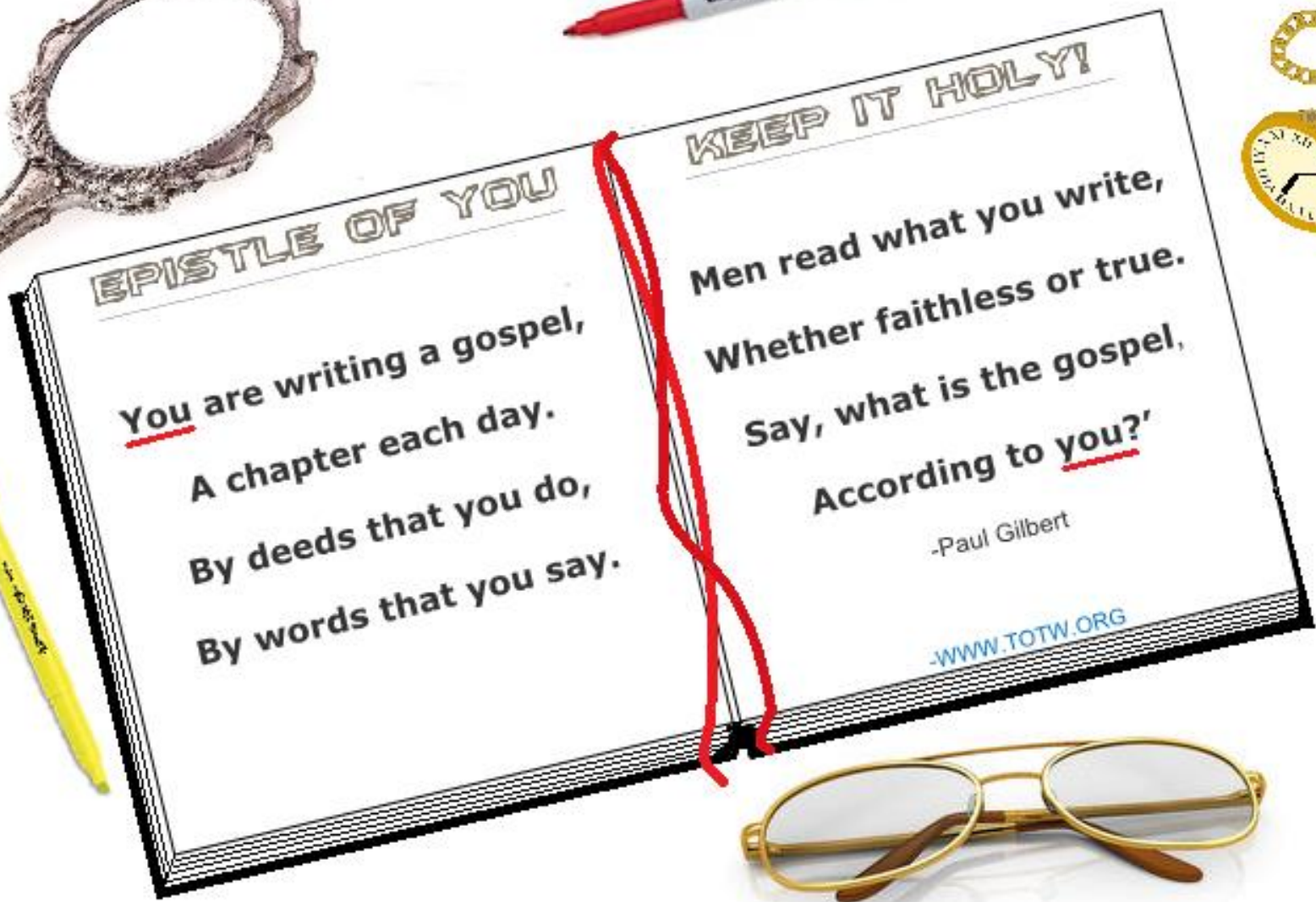
SOME DENY BY THEIR WORKS

A painting of a man in a white robe and brown cloak, possibly Jesus, standing in a room with a stone wall and a bird perched on a ledge. The man is looking down and has his hands clasped in front of him. The background is a simple, textured wall.

Like Jesus spoke of:

Matthew 12:33 Either make the tree good, and his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by *his* fruit.

I ALWAYS FEEL LIKE SOMEBODY'S WATCHING ME



SOME DENY BY THEIR WICKEDNESS



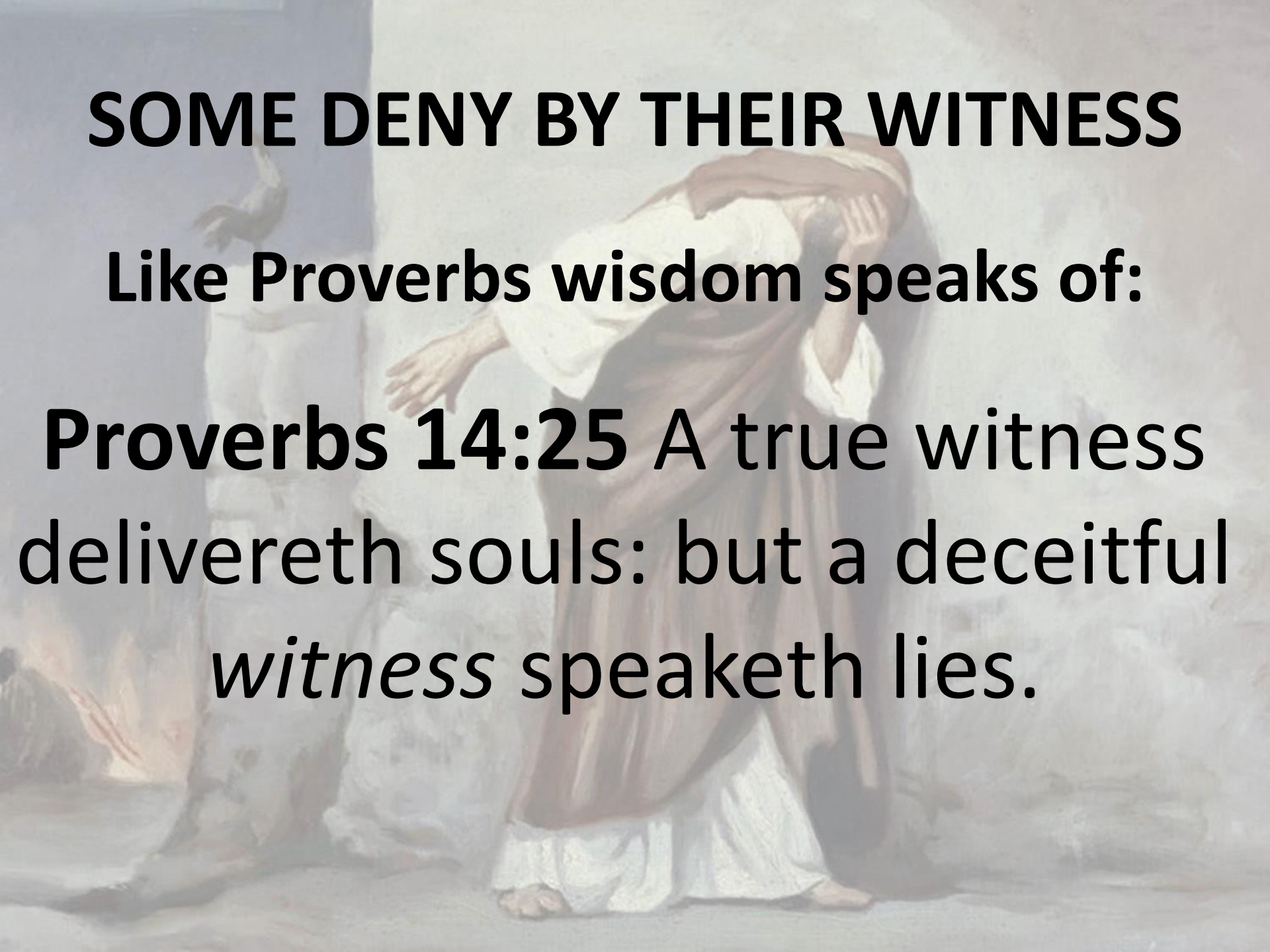
Like Jesus spoke of:

**Matthew 22:18 But Jesus
perceived their wickedness,
and said, Why tempt ye me, ye
hypocrites?**

SOME DENY BY THEIR WITNESS

Like Proverbs wisdom speaks of:

Proverbs 14:25 A true witness delivereth souls: but a deceitful *witness* speaketh lies.



SOME DENY BY THEIR WORSHIP

Like The LORD spoke at Sinai:

Exodus 20:2-3 *I am* the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. **Thou shalt have no other gods before me.**

SOME DENY BY THEIR WEALTH

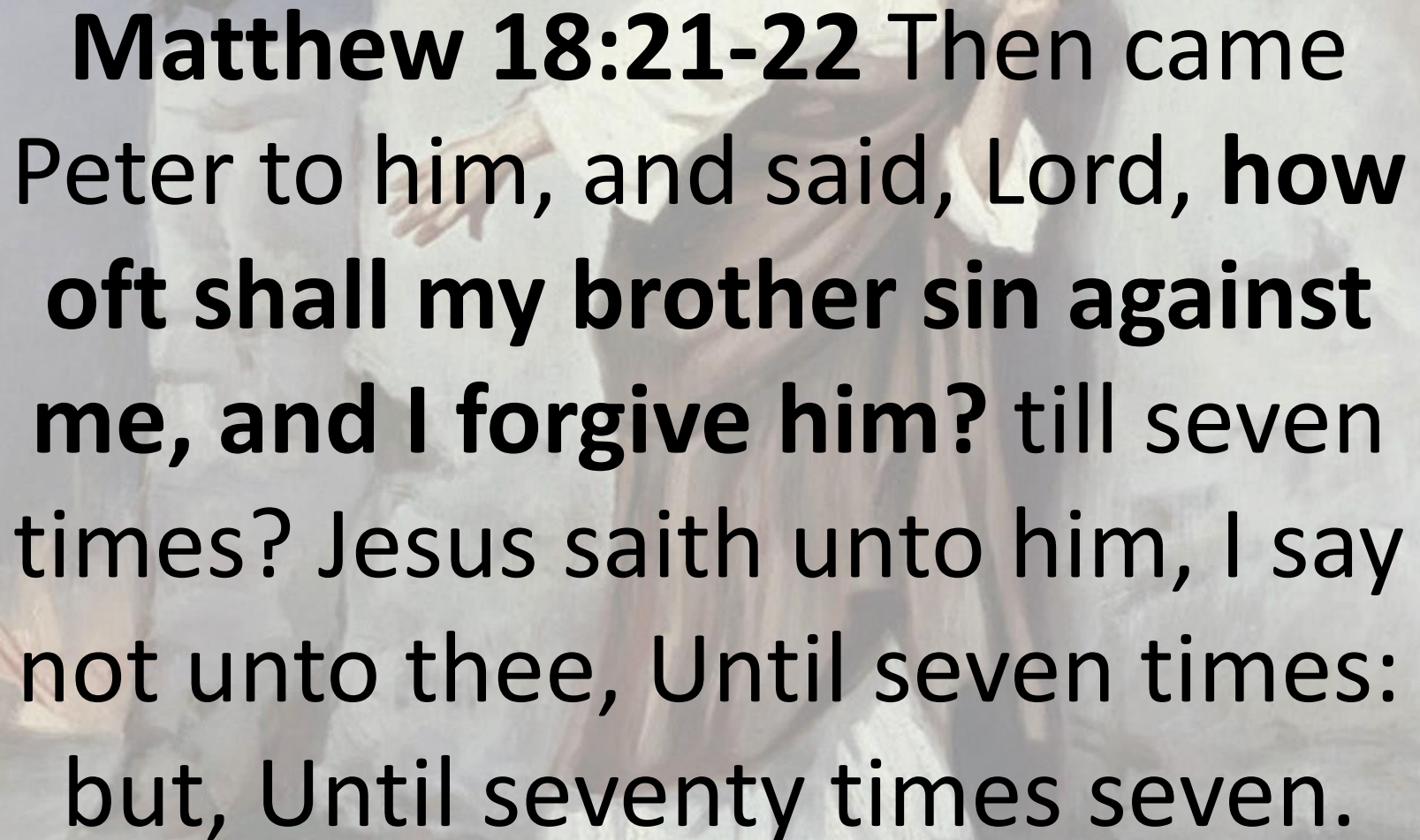
WARNED TO NOT DO SO:

Job 21:13 They spend their days in wealth,
and in a moment go down to the grave.

1 Timothy 6:17 Charge them that are rich
in this world, that they be not
highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches,
but in the living God, who giveth us richly
all things to enjoy;

70 X 7 FORGIVENESS

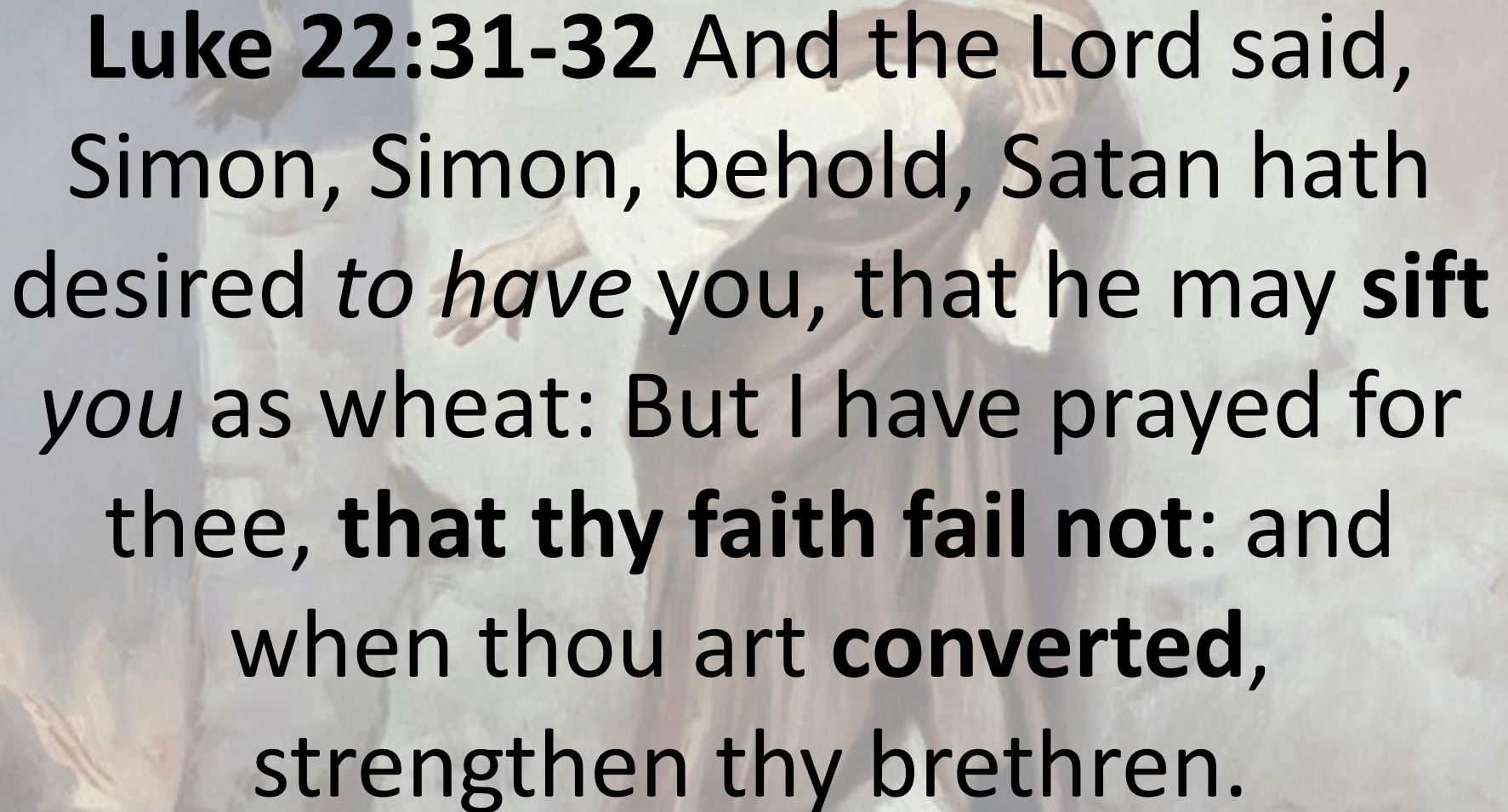
Matthew 18:21-22 Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, **how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him?** till seven times? Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, **Until seventy times seven.**





1 John 1:9-10 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

REFLECTION



Luke 22:31-32 And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired *to have* you, that he may **sift you** as wheat: But I have prayed for thee, **that thy faith fail not:** and when thou art **converted,** strengthen thy brethren.

REFLECTION

Job 1:6-12 Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them. And the LORD said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it. And the LORD said unto Satan, **Hast thou considered my servant Job, that *there is* none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil?** Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, **Doth Job fear God for nought? Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side? thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his substance is increased in the land. But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, and he will curse thee to thy face. And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, all that he hath *is* in thy power; only upon himself put not forth thine hand.** So Satan went forth from the presence of the LORD.

REFLECTION

Mark 16:1-3 And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the *mother* of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him. And very early in the morning the first *day* of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun. And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre? **Mark 16:4-7** And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great. And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted. And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him. But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you.

REFLECTION

John 21:14-17 This is now the third time that Jesus shewed himself to his disciples, after that he was risen from the dead. So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, **Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these?** He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, **Feed my lambs.** He saith to him again the second time, **Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me?** He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, **Feed my sheep.** He saith unto him the third time, **Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me?** Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, **Feed my sheep.**

CONVERSION

- **PETER WAS BETRAYED BY PRIDE. HE BOASTED HE WOULD NEVER DENY JESUS**
Mt 26:31-33 (Pro 16:18)
- **PETER WAS HALTED BY LAZINESS. HE KEPT FALLING ASLEEP .** At a time when he needed to be and was told to be watchful - **Mt 26:36-46**

- ✓ **PETER LATER COMMANDED HUMILITY...** To be clothed with humility **1Pe 5:5**; To humble ourselves before God **1Pe 5:6** Warned that we should not be overconfident **1Co 10:12.**
- ✓ **PETER LATER ENJOINED DILIGENCE...** Commanding vigilant resistance against the devil - **1Pe 5:8-9** Calling for diligence that we might: a. Grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus - **2Pe 1:5,10**; Be found in peace, without spot and blameless - **2Pe 3:14**

CONVERSION

➤ PETER WAS BESET BY COWARDICE. HE FOLLOWED JESUS AT A DISTANCE... Yet Peter still followed Jesus - **Mt 26:58**

➤ PETER WAS BELEAGUERED BY WORLDLINESS HE WAS INFLUENCED BY THE WORLD... **Mt 26:58; Mk 14:54. [cf. Pr 6:27-29 1Co 15:33]**

✓ **PETER LATER EXHORTED GLORIFYING GOD...**

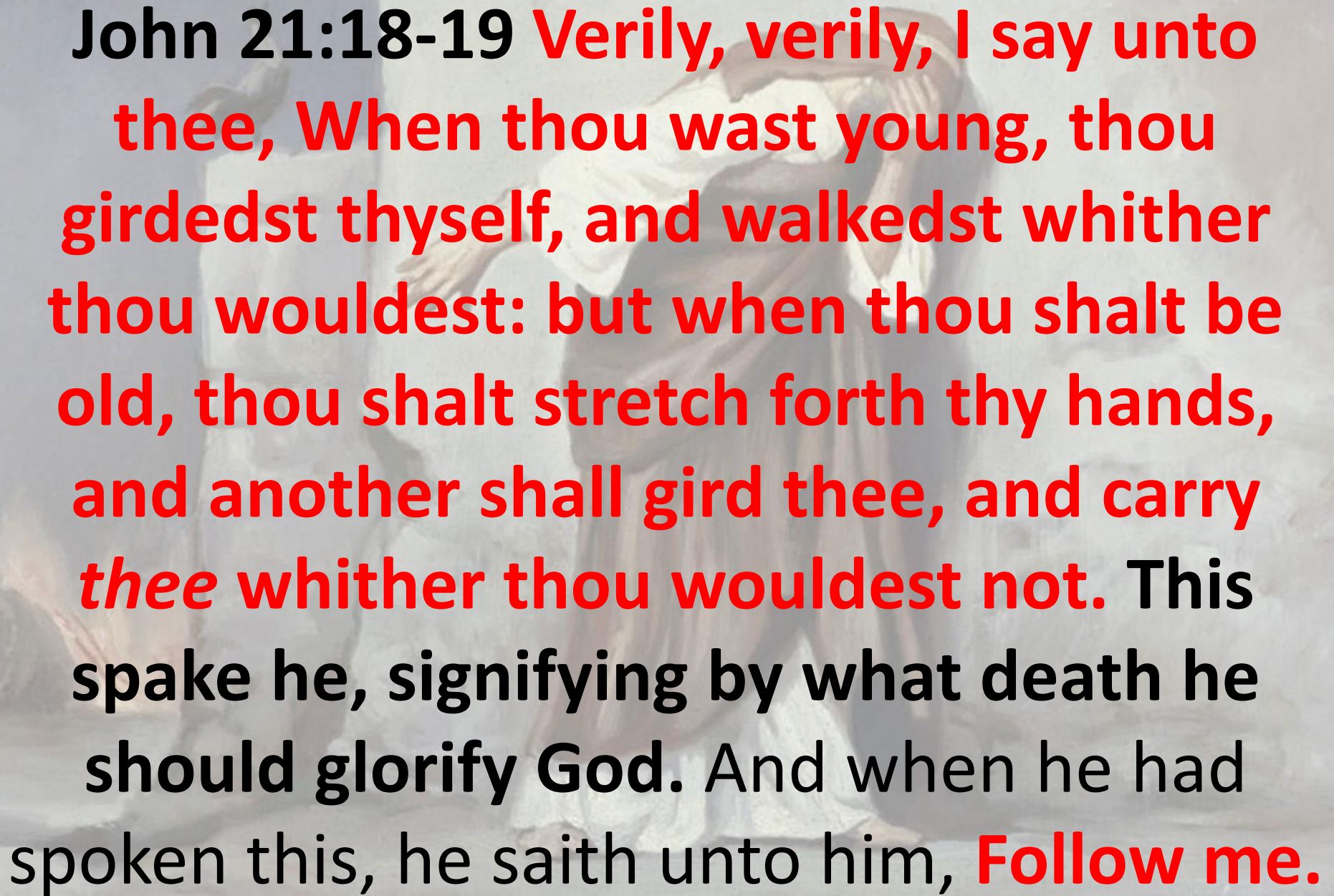
Charging us not to be ashamed, but to glorify God - **1Pe 4:16** Thinking not of what things mean to us, but what they mean to God! - cf. **Mt 5:16**

✓ **PETER LATER CALLED FOR US TO BE OTHER-WORLDLY...**

To live as sojourners and pilgrims, abstaining from fleshly lusts and with honorable conduct among the nations - **1Pe 2: 11-12**. To look for that new heavens and new earth, being diligent to be found by Christ in peace, without spot and blameless - **2 Pe 3:13-14**

DRINK OF HIS CUP

John 21:18-19 **Verily, verily, I say unto thee, When thou wast young, thou girdedst thyself, and walkedst whither thou wouldest: but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and carry thee whither thou wouldest not. This spake he, signifying by what death he should glorify God. And when he had spoken this, he saith unto him, **Follow me.****



Application For The Disciple

- Beware of the danger of overconfidence in your ability to resist temptation.
 - The forces of evil that tempt Christians are strong
 - Commit yourself to honor Christ, not to deny Him
 - Going forward, claim the whole armor of God that you may stand against Satan's attacks

Application For The Disciple

- Those who deny Jesus carry a heavy burden of guilt.
 - When a person fails the Lord, he/she needs faith (in Him) to find forgiveness and new desire to live for Jesus
 - Affirming one's personal love for Christ is an opportunity for a new start



Application For The Disciple

- Hostile groups will try to influence believers not to speak in the name of Jesus
- It takes courage to stand up for Jesus in the face of hostility
- Remember that we are accountable to God, not to unbelievers ... whatever their authority
- In the days ahead, allow God to motivate you from within to stand faithfully for Him
- Repent of any denial of Him in your life and press on toward the mark of our high calling.

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