

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

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- The book of Isaiah was well known among the Jews and highly respected.
- Sixty-one separate passages are referred to eighty-five times in the New Testament.

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The Great Isaiah Scroll



- The Great Isaiah Scroll (1QIsaa) is one of the original seven Dead Sea Scrolls discovered in Qumran in 1947.
- The largest and best preserved of all the biblical scrolls,
- Contains all 66 chapters of the Hebrew version.
- Dating from ca. 125 BCE, it is also one of the oldest of the Dead Sea Scrolls, some one thousand years older than the oldest manuscripts of the Hebrew Bible known to us before the scrolls' discovery.

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Isaiah 52:13-53:12 REFERENCED IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

Isaiah 52:15 (NKJV)

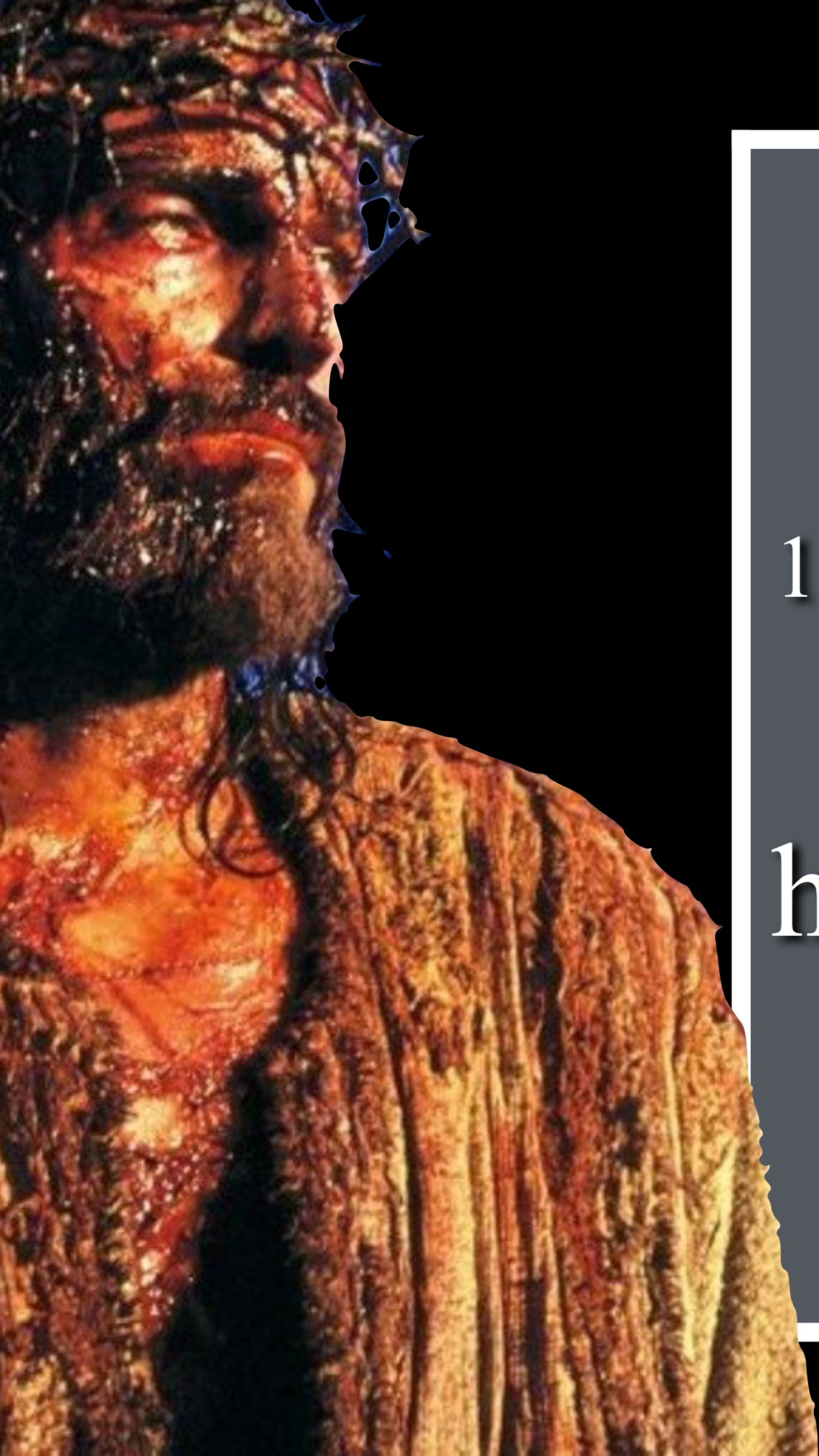
¹⁵ So shall He sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths at Him; For what had not been told them they shall see, And what they had not heard they shall consider.

Romans 15:21 (NKJV)

²¹ but as it is written:
“To whom He was not announced, they shall see; And those who have not heard shall understand.”

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Isaiah 53:1 (NKJV)
1 Who has believed our
report? And to whom
has the arm of the Lord
been revealed?

John 12:38 (NKJV)
³⁸ that the word of Isaiah
the prophet might be
fulfilled, which he
spoke: “Lord, who has
believed our report? *And
to whom has the arm of
the Lord* been revealed?”

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¹ Who has believed our
report? And to whom
has the arm of the Lord
been revealed?

Romans 10:16 (NKJV)

¹⁶ But they have not
all obeyed the gospel.
For Isaiah says,
*“Lord, who has
believed our report?”*

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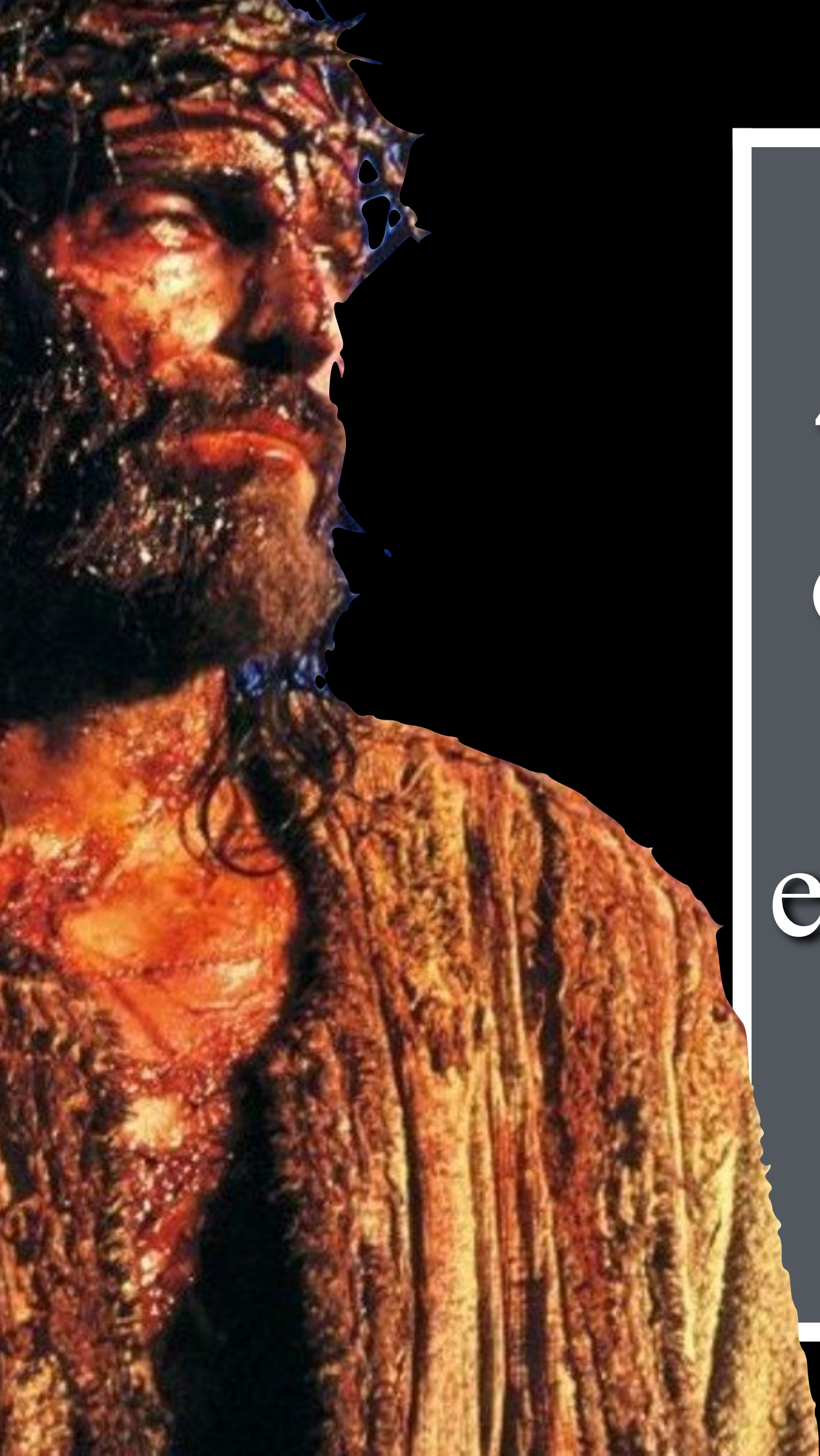
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Isaiah 53:4 (NKJV)

⁴ Surely He has borne
our griefs And carried
our sorrows; Yet we
esteemed Him stricken,
Smitten by God, and
afflicted.

Matthew 8:17 (NKJV)

¹⁷ that it might be
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spoken by Isaiah the
prophet, saying: “*He
Himself took our
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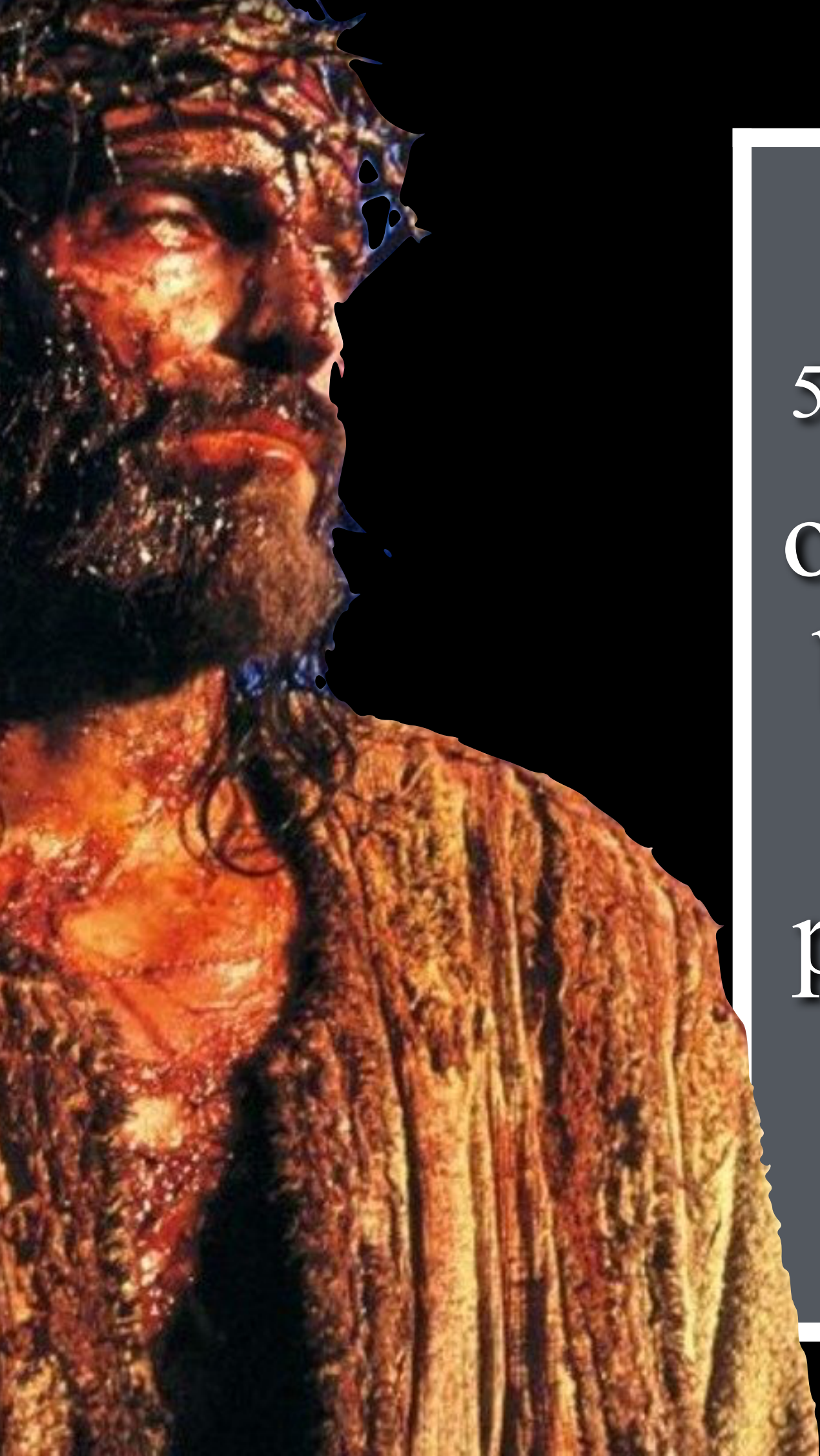
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1 Peter 2:24–25 (NKJV)

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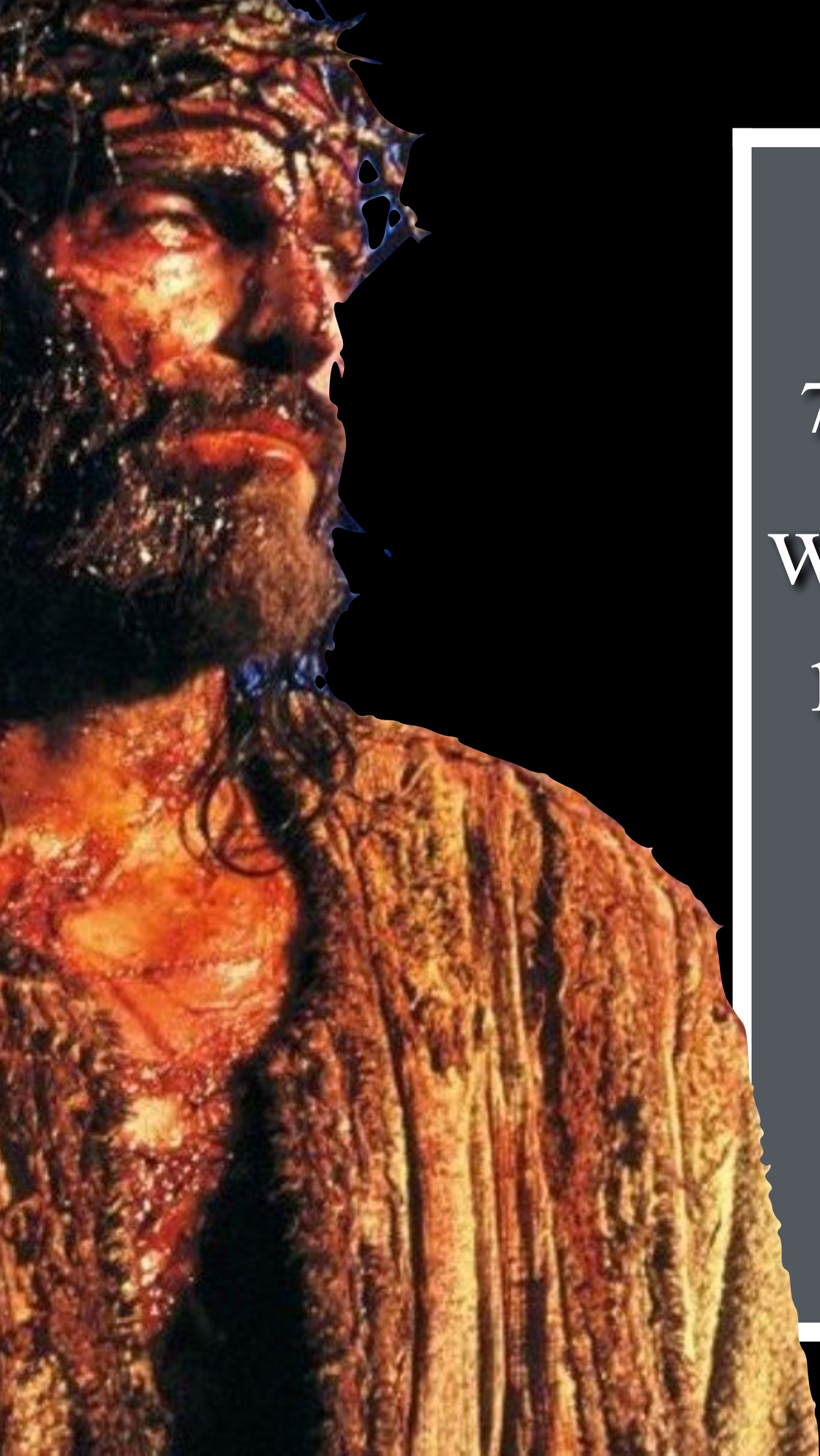
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Acts 8:32 (NKJV)

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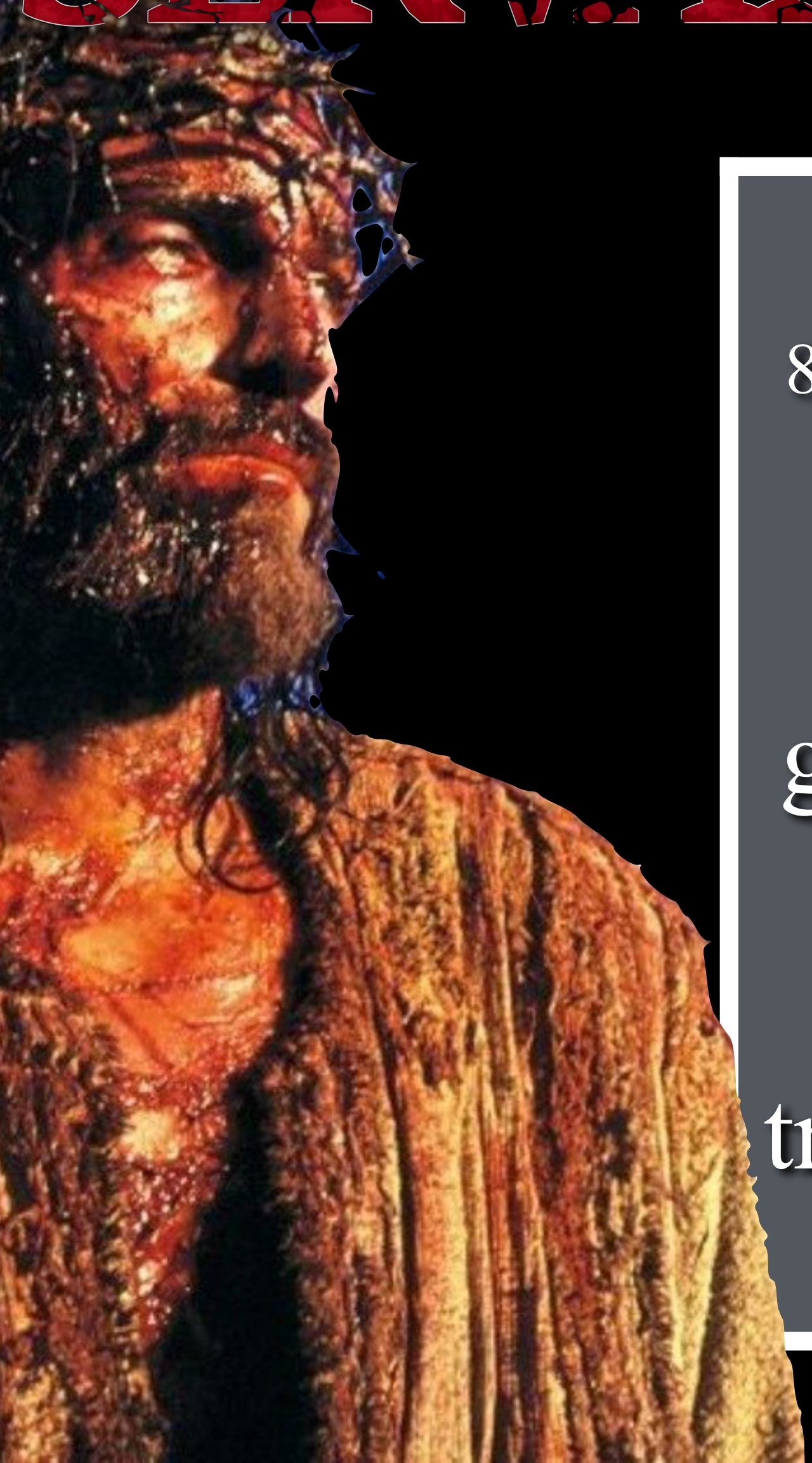
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off from the land of the
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He was stricken.

Acts 8:33 (NKJV)

³³ *In His humiliation
His justice was taken
away, And who will
declare His
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life is taken from the
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1 Peter 2:21–22 (NKJV)

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us an example, that you
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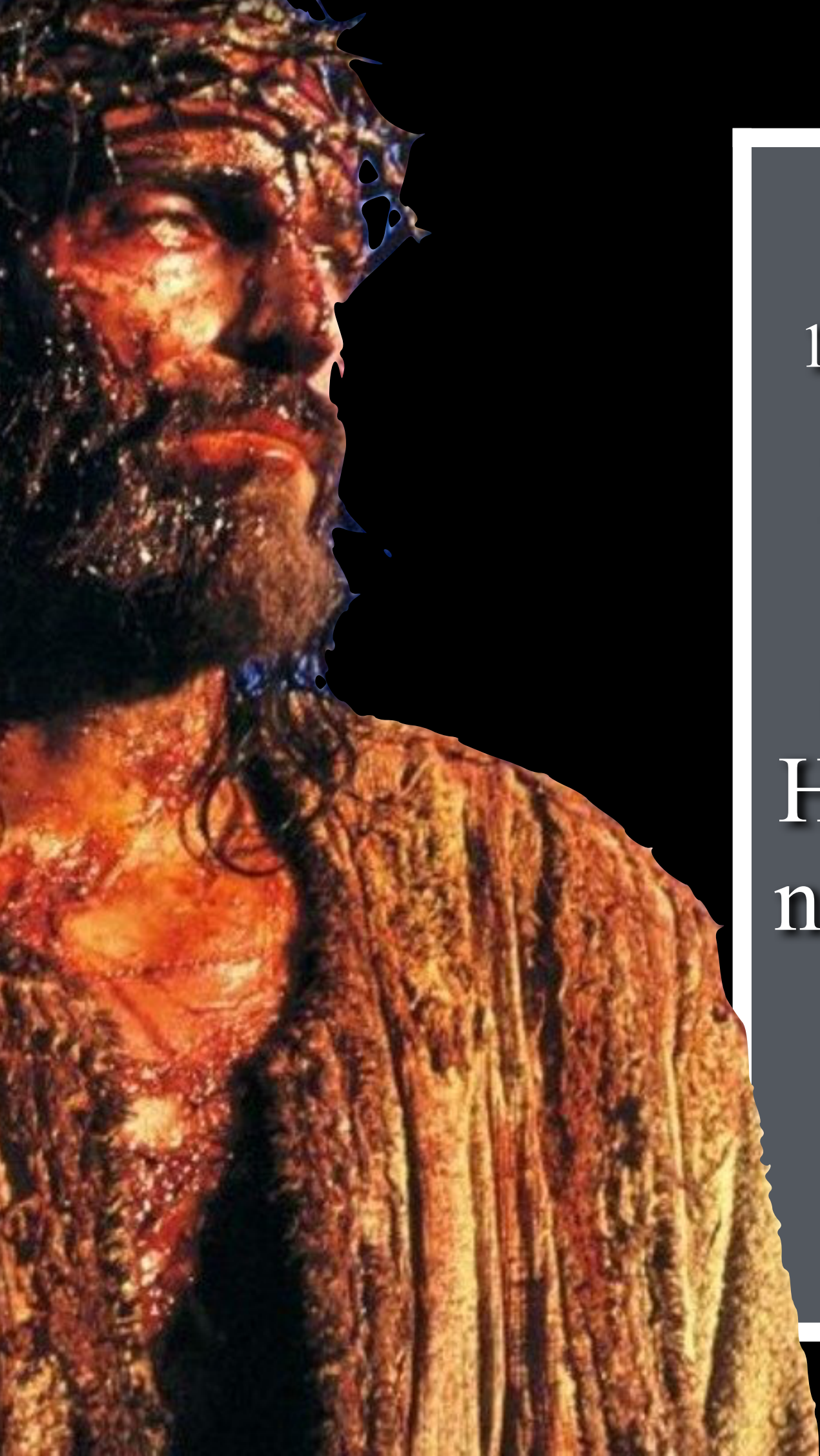
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Isaiah 53:12 (NKJV)

¹² Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great, And He shall divide the spoil with the strong, Because He poured out His soul unto death, And He was numbered with the transgressors, And He bore the sin of many, And made intercession for the transgressors.

Mark 15:28 (NKJV)

²⁸ So the Scripture was fulfilled which says, “*And He was numbered with the transgressors.*”



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The Servant's Rejection 53:1-3

- **The Messiah would be rejected**
(**53:1**; Jno. 12:37-38; Rom. 10:16; Jn 1:11; 11:42; 15:24; Mt. 11:20; Lk. 16:31).
- **The Messiah's appearance unappealing**
(**53:2**; Mark 6:3; (*birth, Lk 2:7; home, Lk 2:39; poor, Lk 9:58; etc.*)).
- **Despised / rejected / A Man of sorrows**
(**53:3**; Mt. 26:37,38,67; 27:39-44; Mk. 14:34; Lk. 19:41; Jno. 11:35. Heb. 2:15-18; 4:15; 5:7; Jn 18:40).

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The Servant's Suffering 53:4-6

- **“Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows” (53:4; Mat 8:17; He. 9:28; 1 Pe. 2:24; 3:18; 1 Jno. 2:2. [Griefs & sorrows, {lit. sickness} = “transgressions” (v. 5,8,12), “iniquities” (vv. 5, 6,11), “wicked” (v. 9), and “sin” (v. 12)].**
- **“Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted.” (53:4; Lu 23:34; Ac 3:17; 1 Co 2:8) / *Falsely accused of sin, thought His suffering deserved* (Jn 19:7; Mat 27:41-43).**

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- ▶ **Wounded** - lit. pierced (Psalm 22:16).
- ▶ **Bruised** - lit. crushed - severely oppressed, strongest form of suffering (Is. 3:15; Mt 27:32).
- ▶ **Chastised** - Jesus received punishment due a criminal - the condemnation judged by the rulers (Acts 3:17,18; 1 Cor 2:8; 2 Cor 3:14).
- ▶ **Stripes** - prophetic of His being scourged (Mt 27:26; 1Pe 2:24).

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Romans 4:25 (NKJV)
25 who was delivered up because of
our offenses, and was raised because
of our justification.

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2 Corinthians 5:21 (NKJV)
21 For He made Him who knew no sin
to be sin for us, that we might become
the righteousness of God in Him.

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Hebrews 9:28 (NKJV)

28 so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of
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1 Peter 3:18 (NKJV)

18 For Christ also suffered once for sins, the
just for the unjust, that He might bring us to
God, being put to death in the flesh but made
alive by the Spirit,

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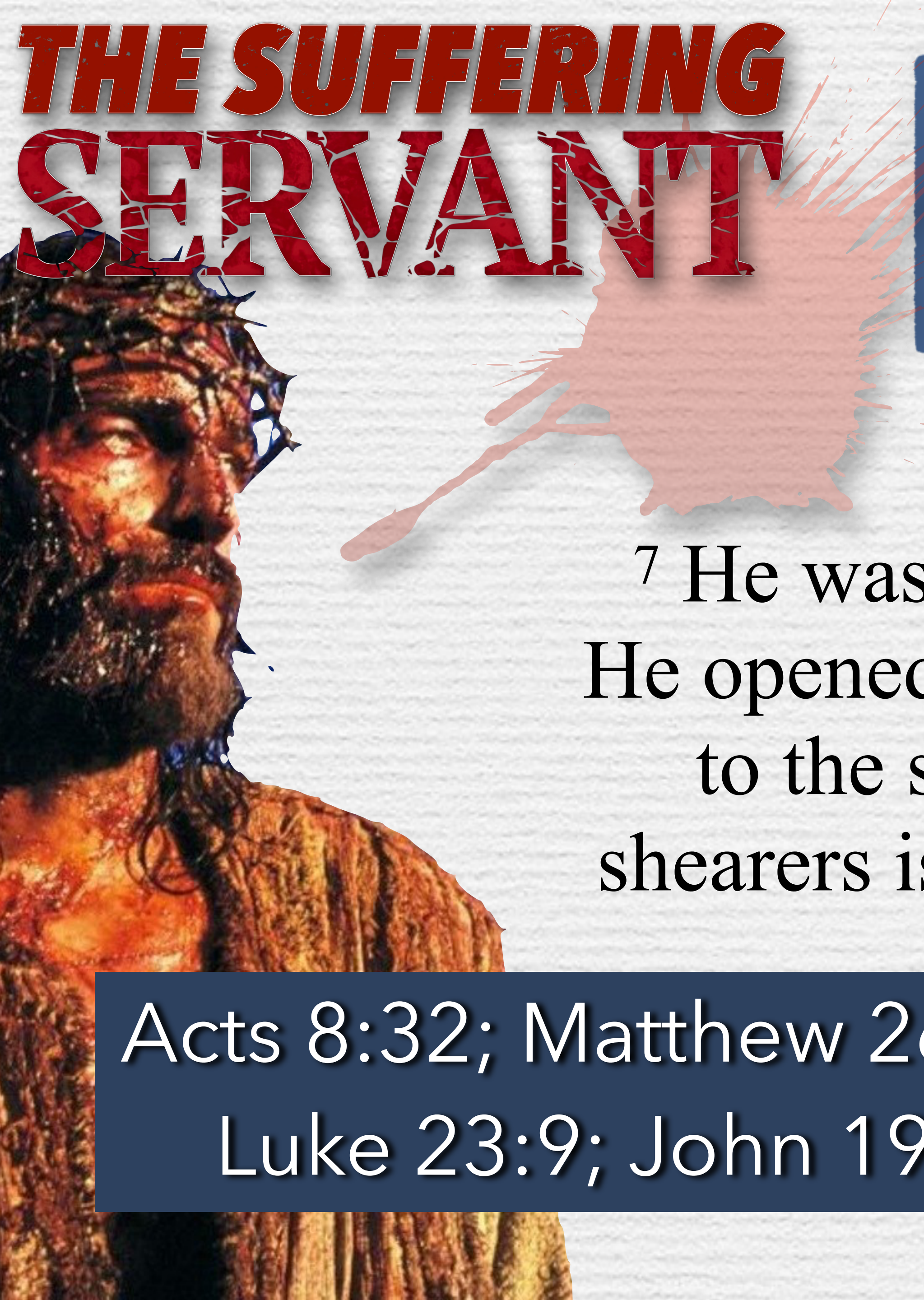


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Isaiah 53:6
(NKJV)
6 All we like
sheep have
gone astray; We
have turned,
every one, to
his own way;
And the Lord
has laid on Him
the iniquity of
us all.

- **We have all sinned** (Rom 3:9-23; 5:12; 11:23; Gal 3:10,22; 1 Jn 1:8-10).
- **Sin is not transferable but committed** (Eze. 18:20-32; Rom 5:12-19).
- **JESUS was charged with taking our sins away through His suffering for us** (Mat 26:28; Heb 5:8,9; Ro. 3:24-26; 5:15, 19; Ep. 1:7; Col. 1:14, 20; He. 9:22, 28; 1 Jno. 2:2; Rev. 7:14).

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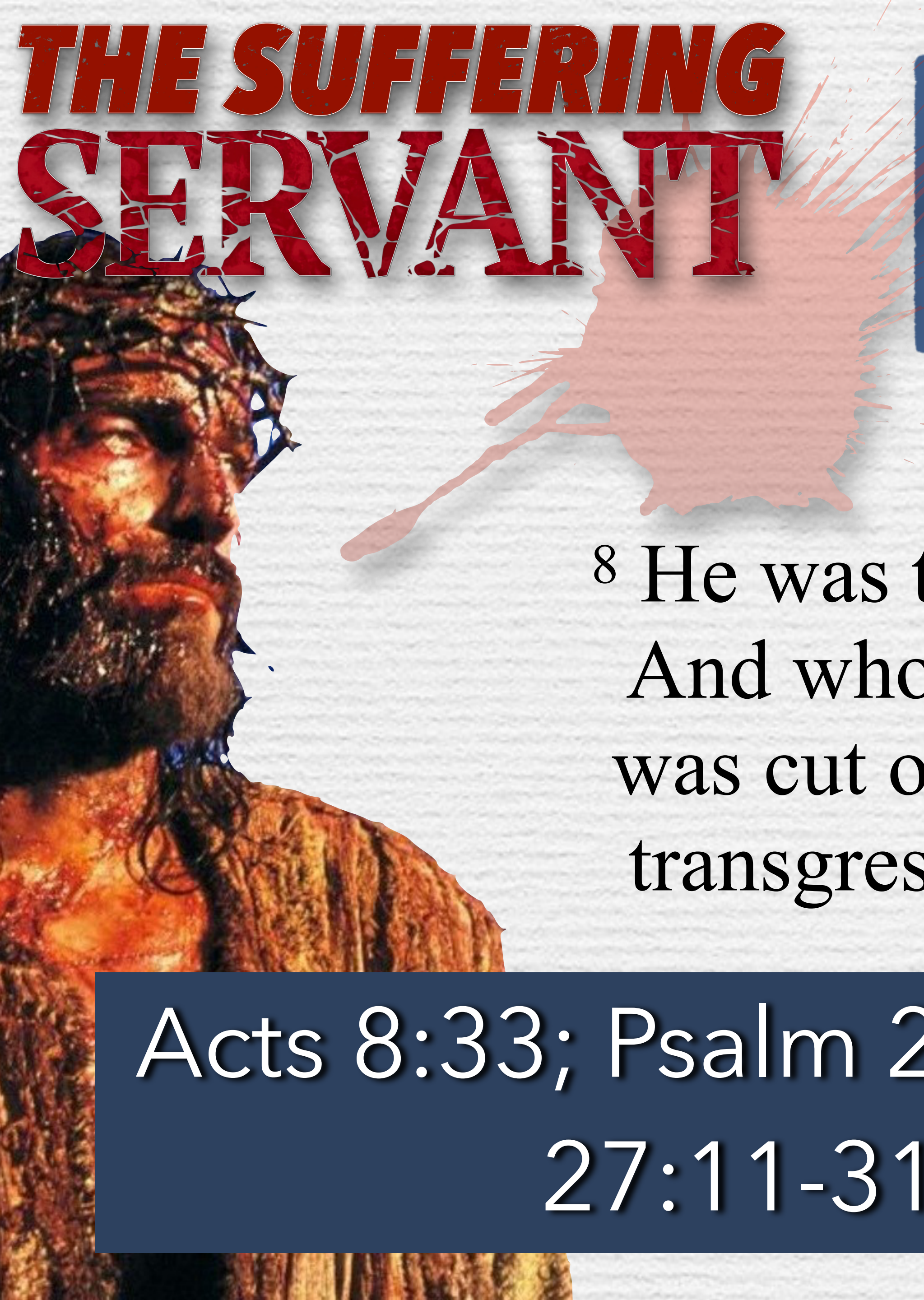
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The Servant's Vindication 53:9-11

- **Crucified between two thieves / murderers** (Mat 27:38,39; Mar. 15:27, 28; Lu. 22:37; 23:32, 33, 39–43; Jno. 19:18, 31–35).
- **The soldiers apparently intended to bury Him with the wicked like the two criminals** (Jn 19:31).
- **However, He was buried with the rich, in the grave of a rich man named Joseph** (Matt. 27:57–60).

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Isaiah 53:10 (NKJV)

¹⁰ Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him; He has put *Him* to grief. When You make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see *His* seed, He shall prolong *His* days, And the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand.

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- “It pleased the Lord to bruise **Him**” (John 3:16; Acts 2:23,24; Rom. 8:32; 1 Jno. 4:9,10).
- God “**will make His soul**” a **sacrificial offering for sin** (1 Jno. 1:29; Acts 2:24; Eph. 5:2; Heb. 7:27; 9:14,25,26; 10:6–12)

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- **“He shall see *His* seed”** : *His Resurrection from the dead & offspring* (Acts 2:24–28; Ro. 6:9; Rev. 1:18; Heb. 2:13; Jno. 6:37–40; Eph. 1:5)
- **“He shall prolong *His* days, And the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand.”** (He. 7:21-28; Acts 2:36; 2 Thes 1:11; Col. 1:19-20)

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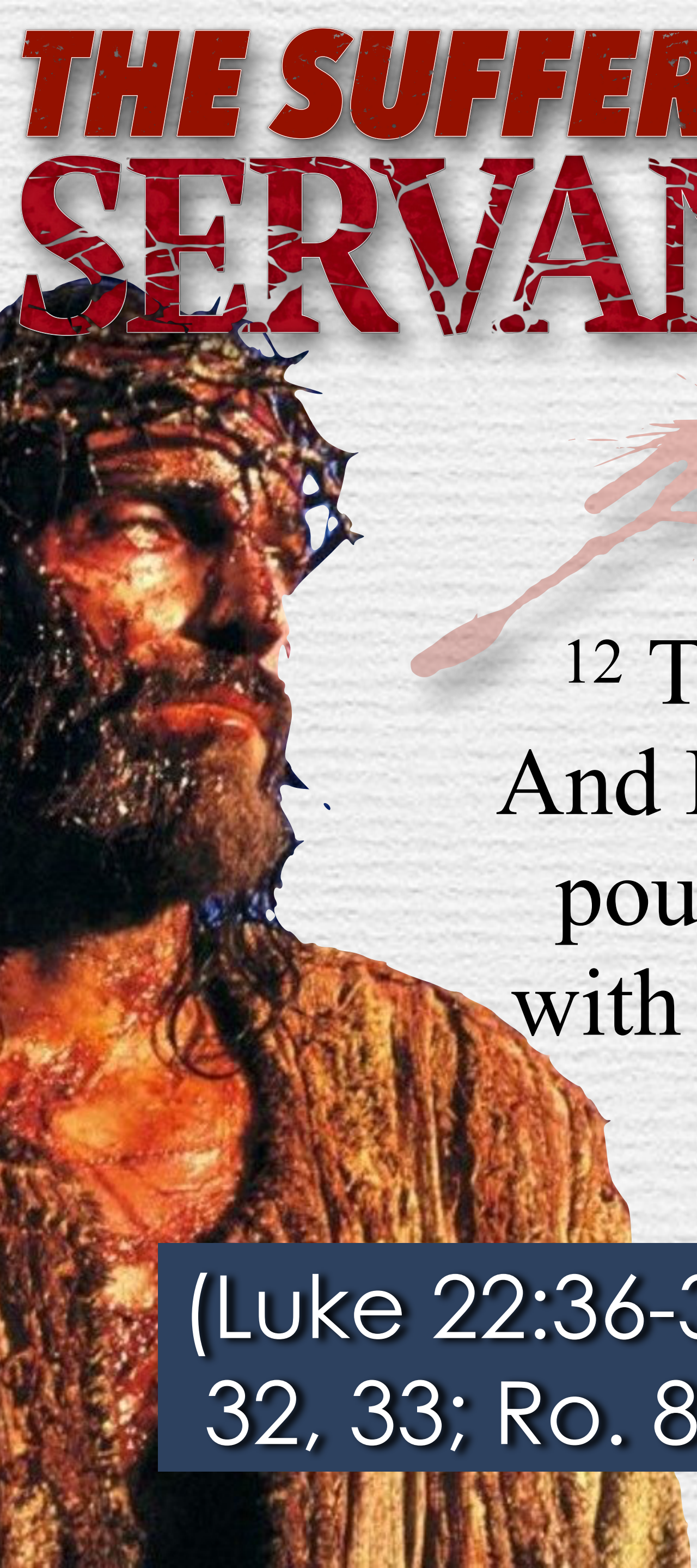
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¹¹ He shall see the labor of His soul, *and* be satisfied. By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, For He shall bear their iniquities.

John 12:24, 27-32; Revelation 5:9; Leviticus 16:15; Romans 3:24-30; 1:16,17; 1 John 2:1,2

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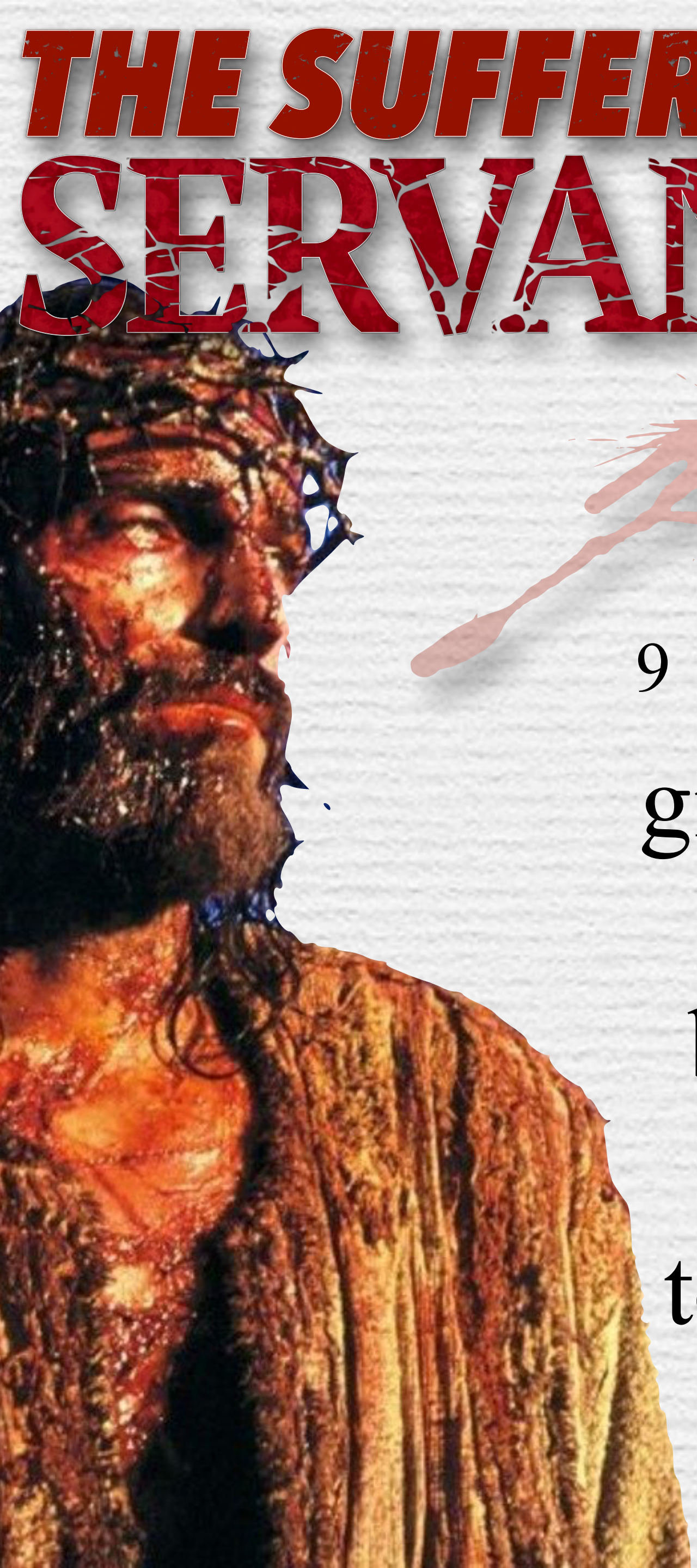
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(Luke 22:36-37; Isaiah 52:13-15; Mar. 15:28; Lu. 22:37; 23:25,
32, 33; Ro. 8:34; 1 Tim. 2:5, 6; He. 7:25; 9:24; 1 Jno. 2:1, 12.)

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Philippians 2:9–11 (NKJV)

⁹ Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name,
¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, ¹¹ and *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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WHAT CAN BE SEEN IN THE SUFFERING OF JESUS?

- **God's love for man** (John 3:16; Rom 5:6-10)
- **God's hatred of sin** (Psalm 45:7)
- **The HIGH cost of our redemption** (1 Peter 1:18,19)
- **Necessity of obedience** (Heb. 5:7-9)
- **Motivation to live for the Lord Who died for us** (2 Cor. 5:14-15)



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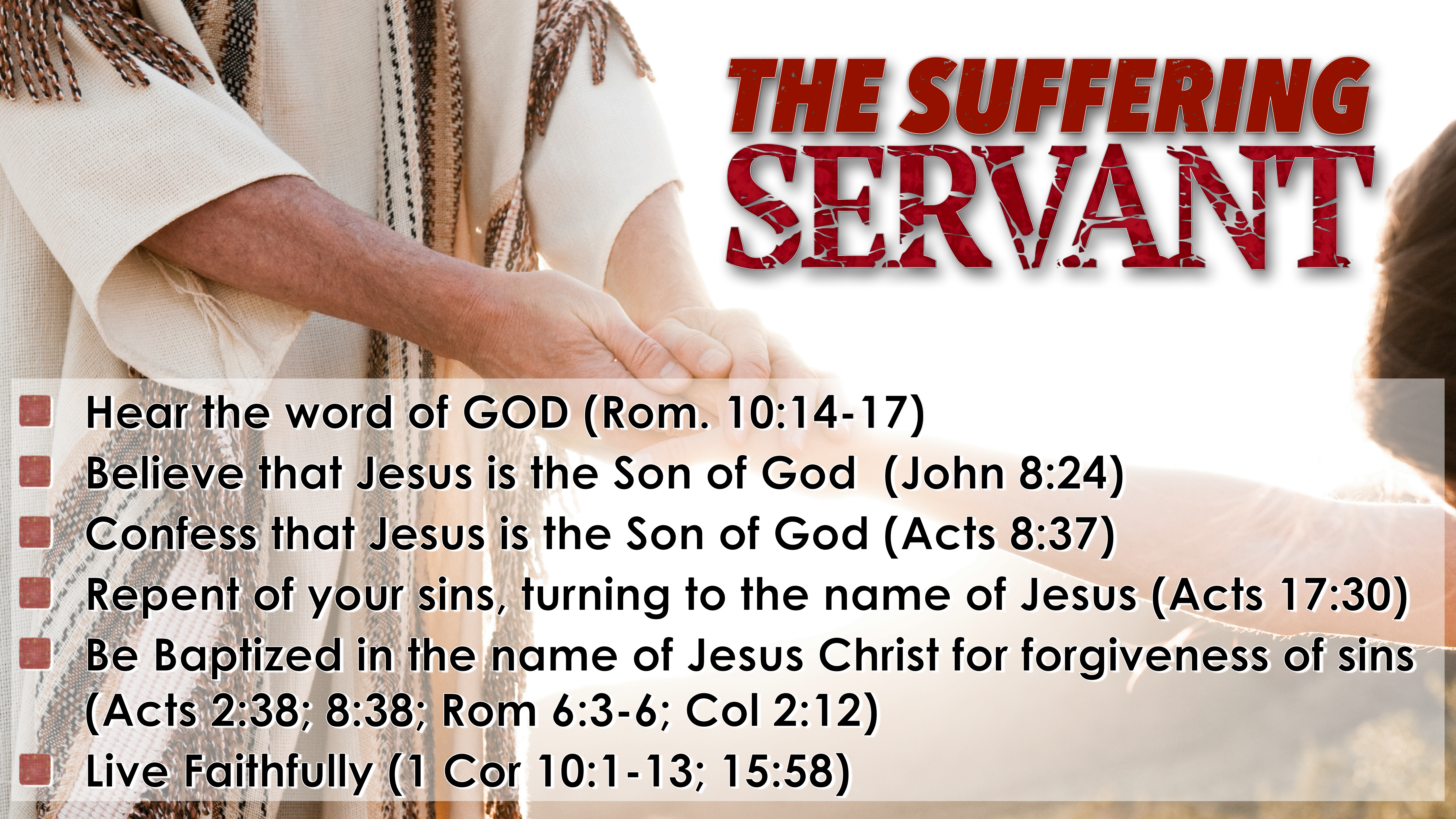
- Our path to glory is ONLY through the suffering Servant - Jesus Christ (John 8:24; 14:6; Acts 4:12; Gal 3:26,27).
- We have all sinned and need salvation (Rom 3:23; 2 Thes 1:7-9)
- Many reject Jesus today for the same reasons the Jews did (Isaiah 53:1)





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- Hear the word of GOD (Rom. 10:14-17)
- Believe that Jesus is the Son of God (John 8:24)
- Confess that Jesus is the Son of God (Acts 8:37)
- Repent of your sins, turning to the name of Jesus (Acts 17:30)
- Be Baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38; 8:38; Rom 6:3-6; Col 2:12)
- Live Faithfully (1 Cor 10:1-13; 15:58)

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