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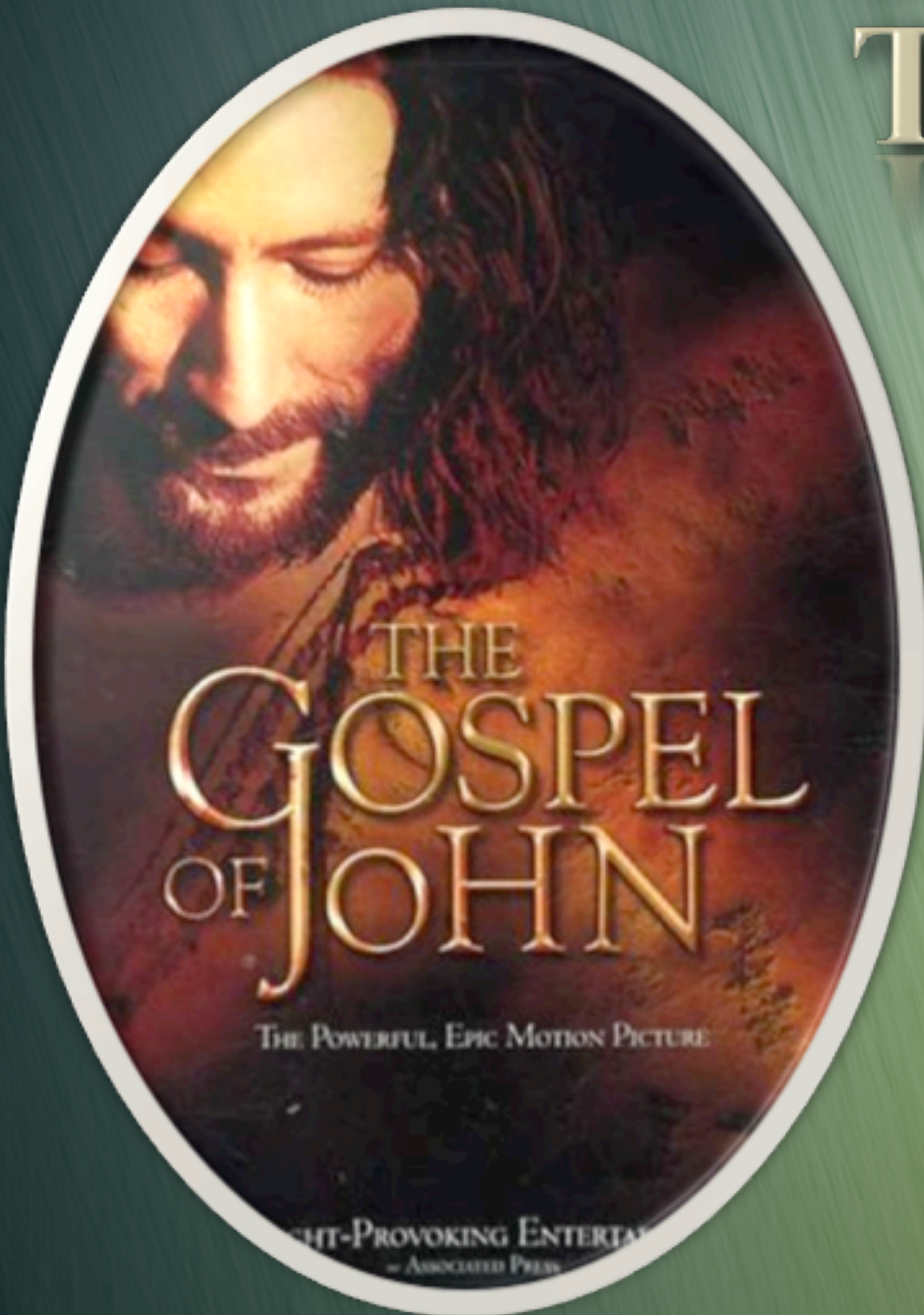
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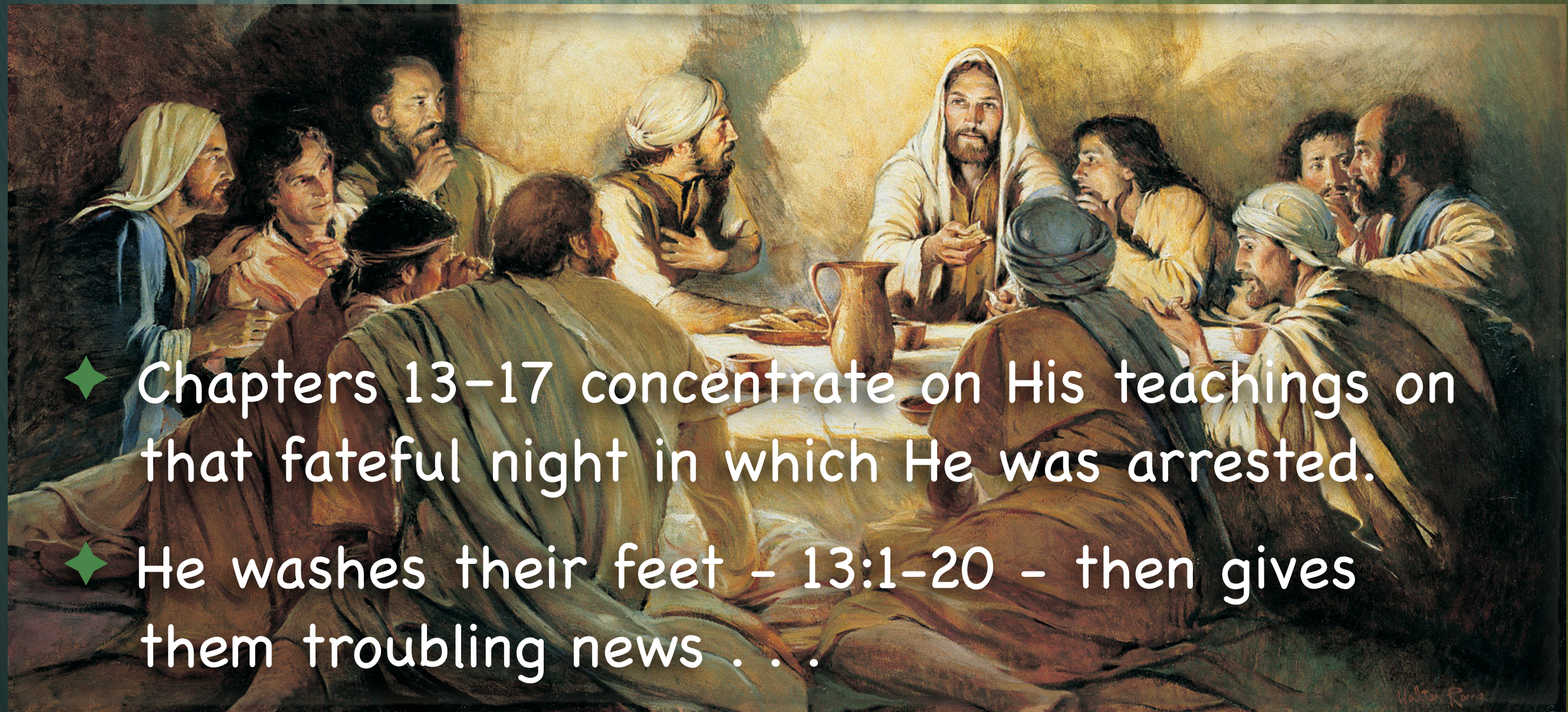
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- ◆ Chapters 13–17 concentrate on His teachings on that fateful night in which He was arrested.
- ◆ He washes their feet – 13:1–20 – then gives them troubling news . . .

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Let NOT your heart be troubled (14:1)

Heaven is REAL & it's accessible – it is in &
through Jesus Christ – (John 14:5,6)

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True Disciples Abide In
The Vine, (Jesus), & Bear
Much Fruit - 15:1-8

If We Keep Jesus'
Commandments, We Will
Abide In Him - 15:9,10

Jesus' Words Meant To
Bring Joy - 15:11

JOHN 15:9-16:4 (NKJV)

⁹ “As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love. ¹⁰ If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father’s commandments and abide in His love. ¹¹ “These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full.



JOHN 15:9-16:4 (NKJV)

¹² This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

¹³ Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends. ¹⁴ You are My friends if you do whatever I command you.



JOHN 15:9-16:4 (NKJV)

¹⁵ No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶

You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you.



JOHN 15:9-16:4 (NKJV)

¹⁷ These things I command you, that you love one another. ¹⁸ “If the world hates you, you know that it hated Me before it hated you. ¹⁹ If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.



JOHN 15:9-16:4 (NKJV)

²⁰ Remember the word that I said to you, 'A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you. If they kept My word, they will keep yours also. ²¹ But all these things they will do to you for My name's sake, because they do not know Him who sent Me.



JOHN 15:9-16:4 (NKJV)

²² If I had not come and spoken to them, they would have no sin, but now they have no excuse for their sin. ²³ He who hates Me hates My Father also. ²⁴ If I had not done among them the works which no one else did, they would have no sin; but now they have seen and also hated both Me and My Father.



JOHN 15:9-16:4 (NKJV)

²⁵ But this happened that the word might be fulfilled which is written in their law, 'They hated Me without a cause.' ²⁶ "But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.



JOHN 15:9-16:4 (NKJV)

²⁷ And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning.

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JOHN 15:9-16:4 (NKJV)

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THE VALUE OF LOVE - 15:9-17



JOHN 15:12 (NKJV)

12 This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

- ◆ How do we abide in Christ's love? 9-11; Mk. 12:29-31; Jn. 14:15; 1 Jn. 5:2,3; 2 Jn. 6
- ◆ True joy ONLY comes from loving obedience - 9-11; Phil. 4:4-9
- ◆ The example of Jesus & the sacrifice of genuine love - 12,13

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JOHN 15:14 (NKJV)

14 You are My friends if
you do whatever I
command you.

- ◆ Who is actually a "friend" of Jesus? – 14; Jam 2:23
- ◆ Jesus called them friends, not slaves, for He had revealed to them God's will – 15
- ◆ Contrary to the common practice of disciples picking a teacher, Jesus had chosen them (15:19; Acts 1:24; 9:15).



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JOHN 15:17 (NKJV)

17 These things I command you, that you love one another.

- ◆ The apostles "appointed" to bear lasting fruit – Mt 28:19; Mk 16:15; Col. 1:6
- ◆ Their mission would be successful – as history clearly shows. – (Acts 2:28–47; 8; 10; Col 1:23)
- ◆ Friendship with Jesus involves the obligation of brotherly love – (15:12; 1 Jn 3:14–17).



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THE WORLD'S HATRED (15:18–16:4).



JOHN 15:19 (NKJV)

19 If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.

- ◆ Jesus was hated first, 15:18
- ◆ Friendship with God results in enduring the world's hatred. Conversely, being friends with the world is to be God's enemy (James 4:4)
- ◆ Christians not of this world, 15:19 – (cf. 1 Peter 4:4; Rom. 12:2)

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- ◆ The fundamental problem is man's general rejection of God – Those who reject God will reject everyone who represents Him – 15:20–25; cf. 5:36–47
- ◆ They are without excuse – 22,25
- ◆ The witness & evidence undeniable – 26,27

JOHN 16:1-4 (NKJV)

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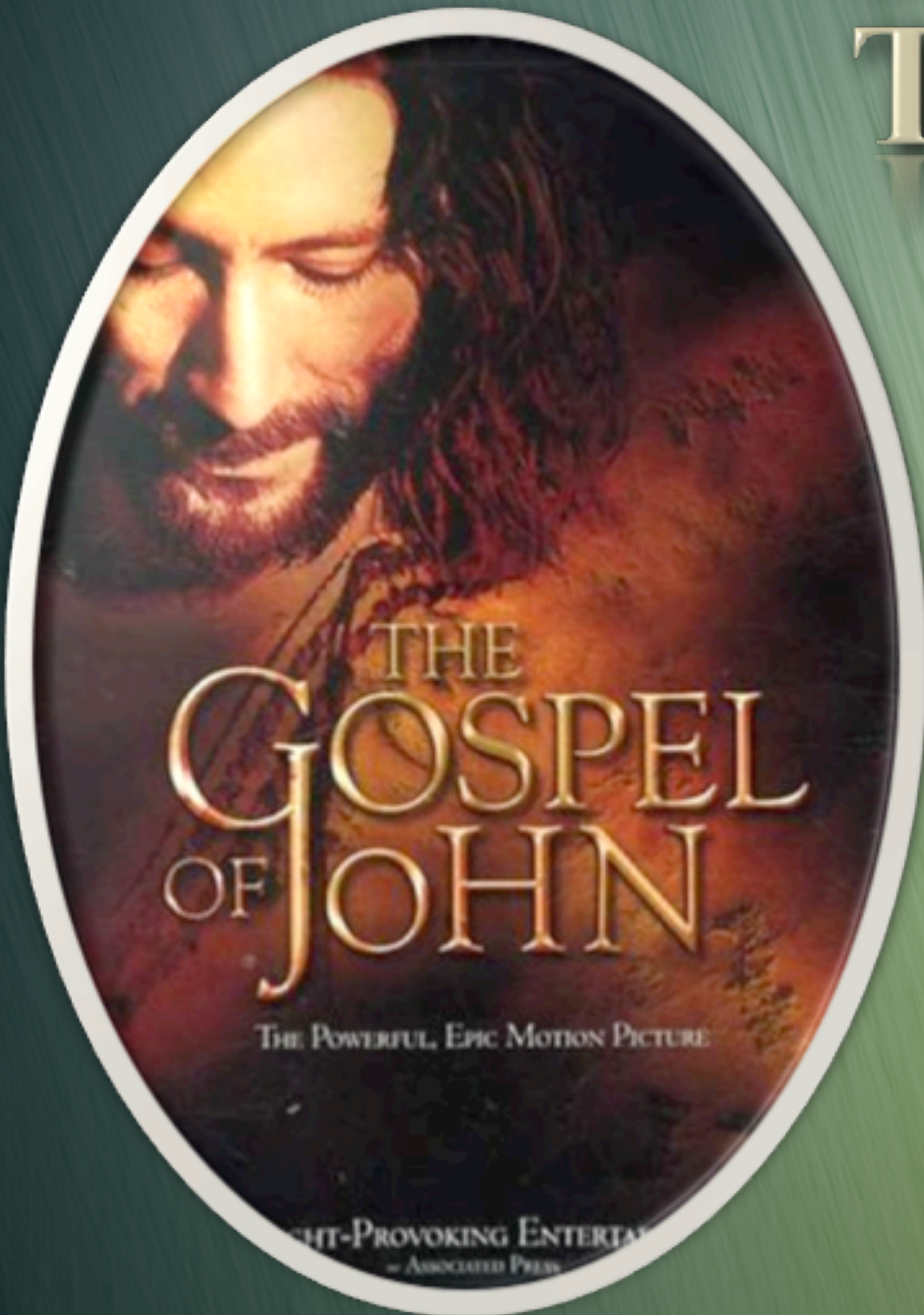


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PHILIPPIANS 2:12-18 (NKJV)

¹² Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; ¹³ for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure. ¹⁴ Do all things without complaining and disputing,



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¹⁵ that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, ¹⁶ holding fast the word of life, so that I may rejoice in the day of Christ that I have not run in vain or labored in vain.



PHILIPPIANS 2:12-18 (NKJV)

¹⁷ Yes, and if I am being poured out as a drink offering on the sacrifice and service of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. ¹⁸ For the same reason you also be glad and rejoice with me.



