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CHRISTIAN ESSENTIALS



Welcome

- Frame up our time
- Participation and Method
- Homework and Discussion
- Schedule
- Embodied Method

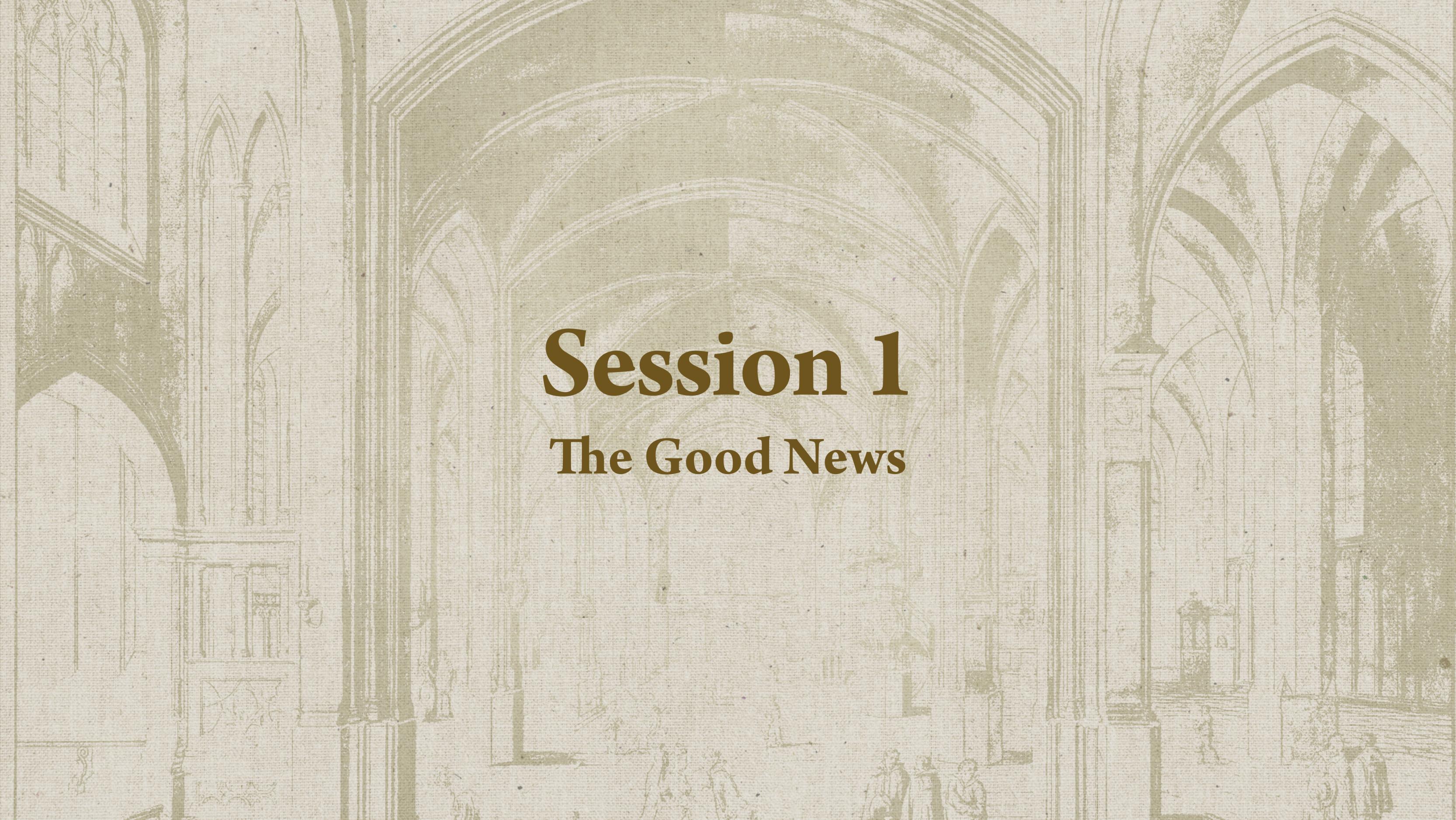


DISCUSSION

Discussion

1. Introduce yourself to your table!
2. What are you hoping to get out of this 4-week class?
3. What do you do when you want to pray, but aren't sure where to start?





Session 1

The Good News

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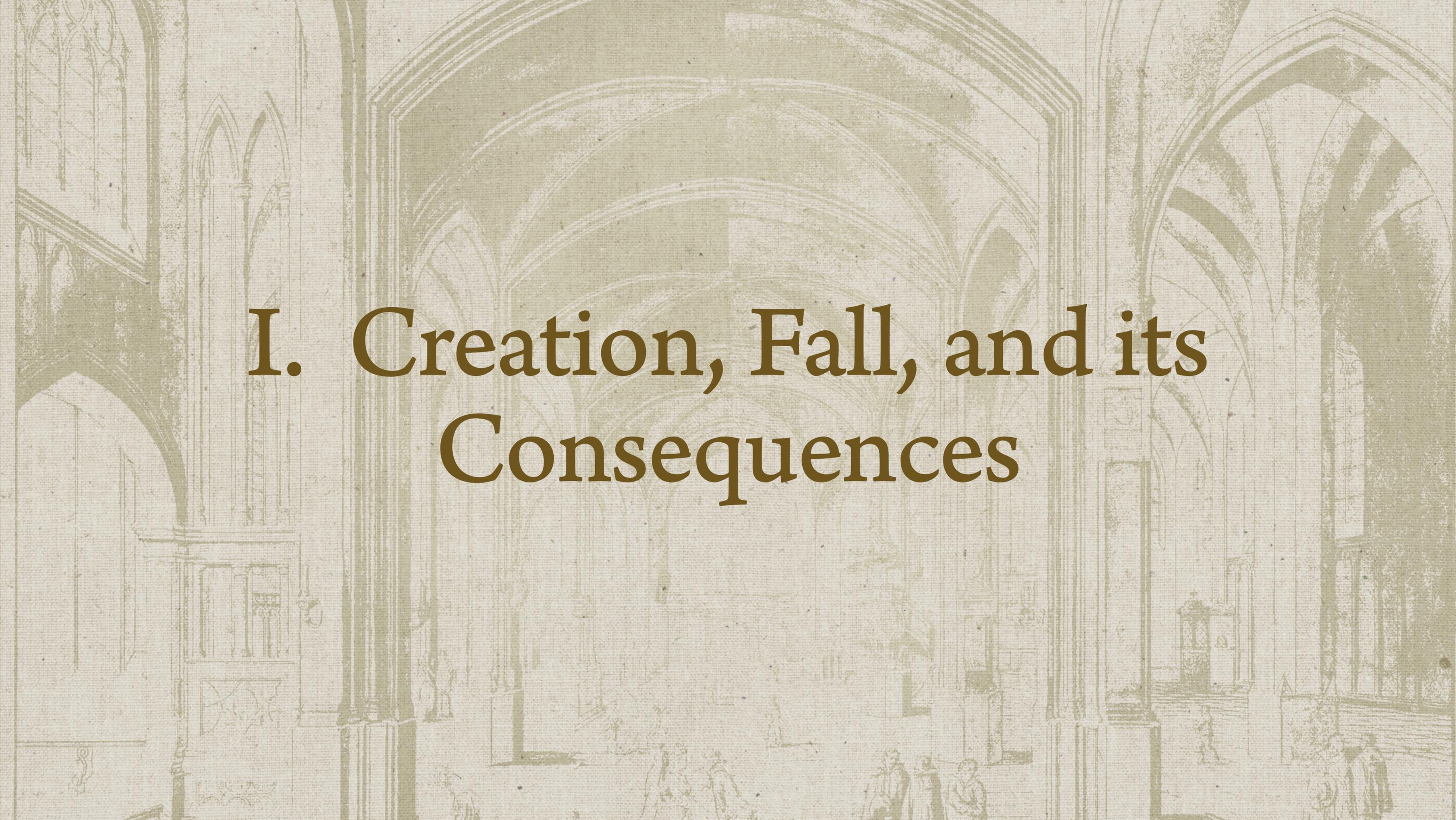
1 Tim 1:15

I. Creation, Fall, and Its Consequences

II. The Life, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus

III. Salvation by Grace, through Faith, and In
Christ

IV. Applications



I. Creation, Fall, and its Consequences

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- Creation and the Fall.



In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

(Ge 1:1)

27 So God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them.

(Ge 1:27)

28 And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

(Ge 1:28)

“¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

Genesis 2:17

“¹ Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God actually say, ‘You shall not eat of any tree in the garden’?”

Genesis 3:1

Sin:

“Anything which goes against the will of God in thought, action, or nature”.



I. Creation, Fall, and its Consequences

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“²⁰ For the creation was subjected to futility.”

Romans 8:20

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“¹ And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ² in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience — ³ among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

Ephesians 2:1-3

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Behold, I was **brought forth in iniquity,**
and **in sin** did my mother conceive me.

Ps 51:5

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- The consequences of sin.



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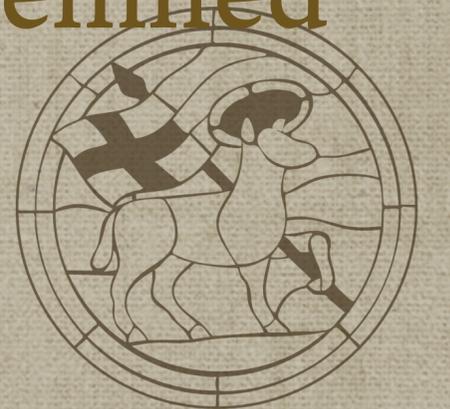
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“²³ For the wages of sin is death,…”

Romans 6:23

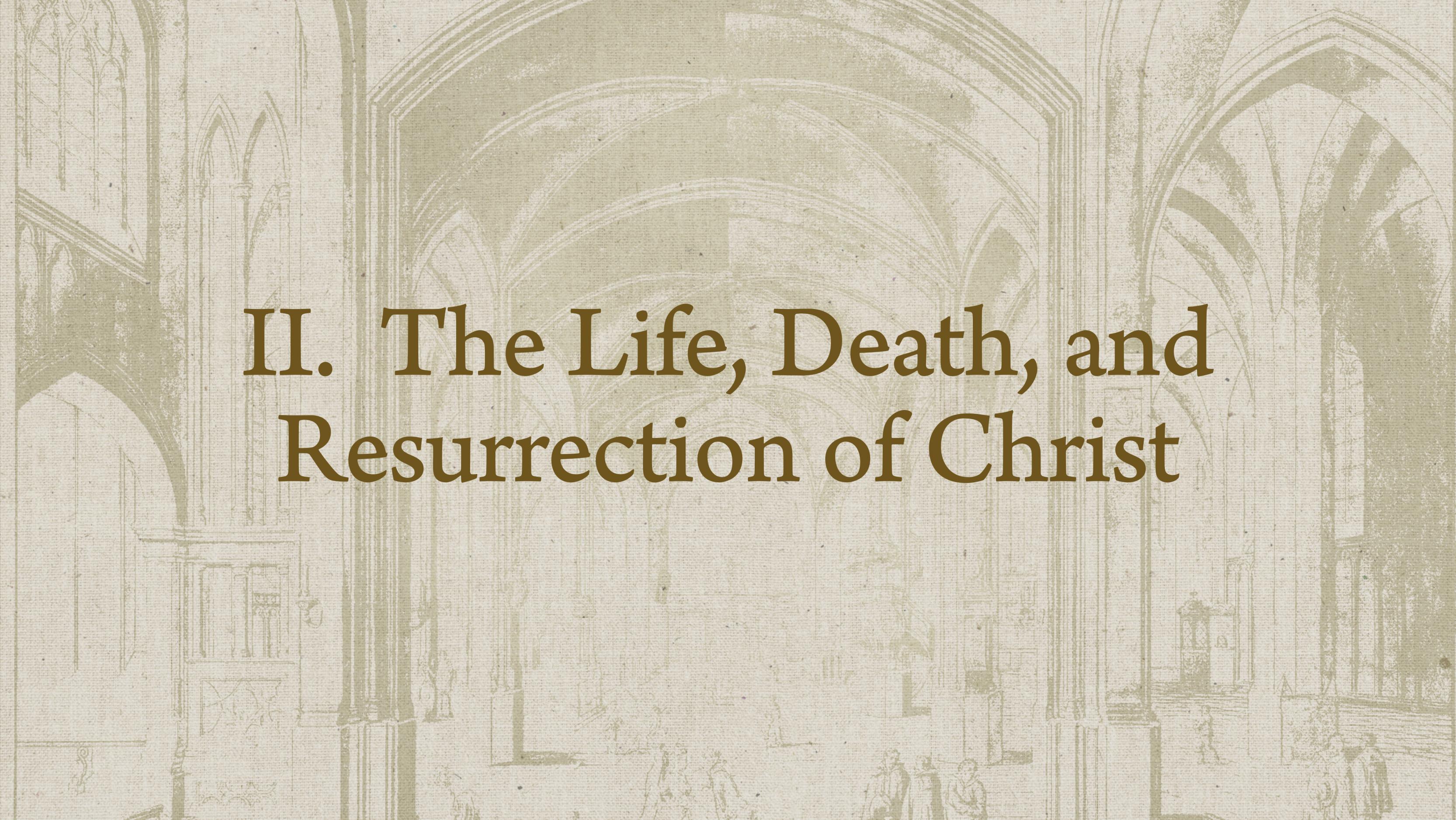
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- Sin fractured the world.
- Sin fractured mankind.
- The consequences of sin.
- We are completely helpless in our sin and justly condemned without Christ.



“¹⁵ I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; **he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.**”

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II. The Life, Death, and Resurrection of Christ

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“³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received:
that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures.”

1 Corinthians 15:3

“⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Mark 10:45

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“⁴ For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.”

Hebrews 10:4

“¹⁸ For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God,”

1 Peter 3:18

“²¹ For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”

2 Corinthians 5:21

“⁴² saying, “Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me.”

Luke 22:24

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you who have drunk from the hand of the Lord
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**“¹⁸ Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men.
¹⁹ For as by the one man’s disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man’s obedience the many will be made righteous.**

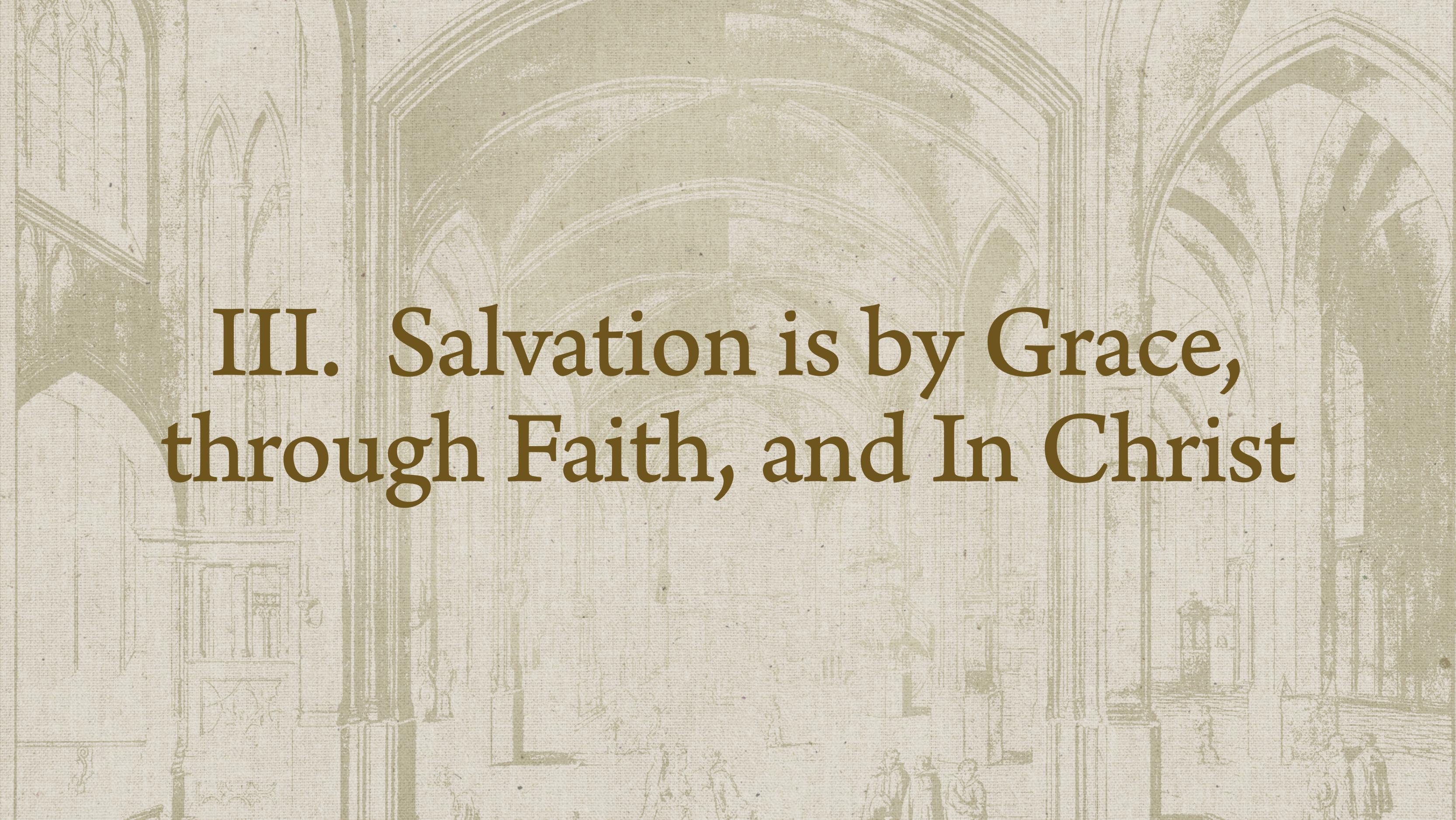
Romans 5:18-19

25 who was delivered up for our trespasses and **raised for our justification.**

Ro 4:24–25

5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly **be united with him in a resurrection like his.**

Ro 6:5



**III. Salvation is by Grace,
through Faith, and In Christ**

“⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Ephesians 2:8-10

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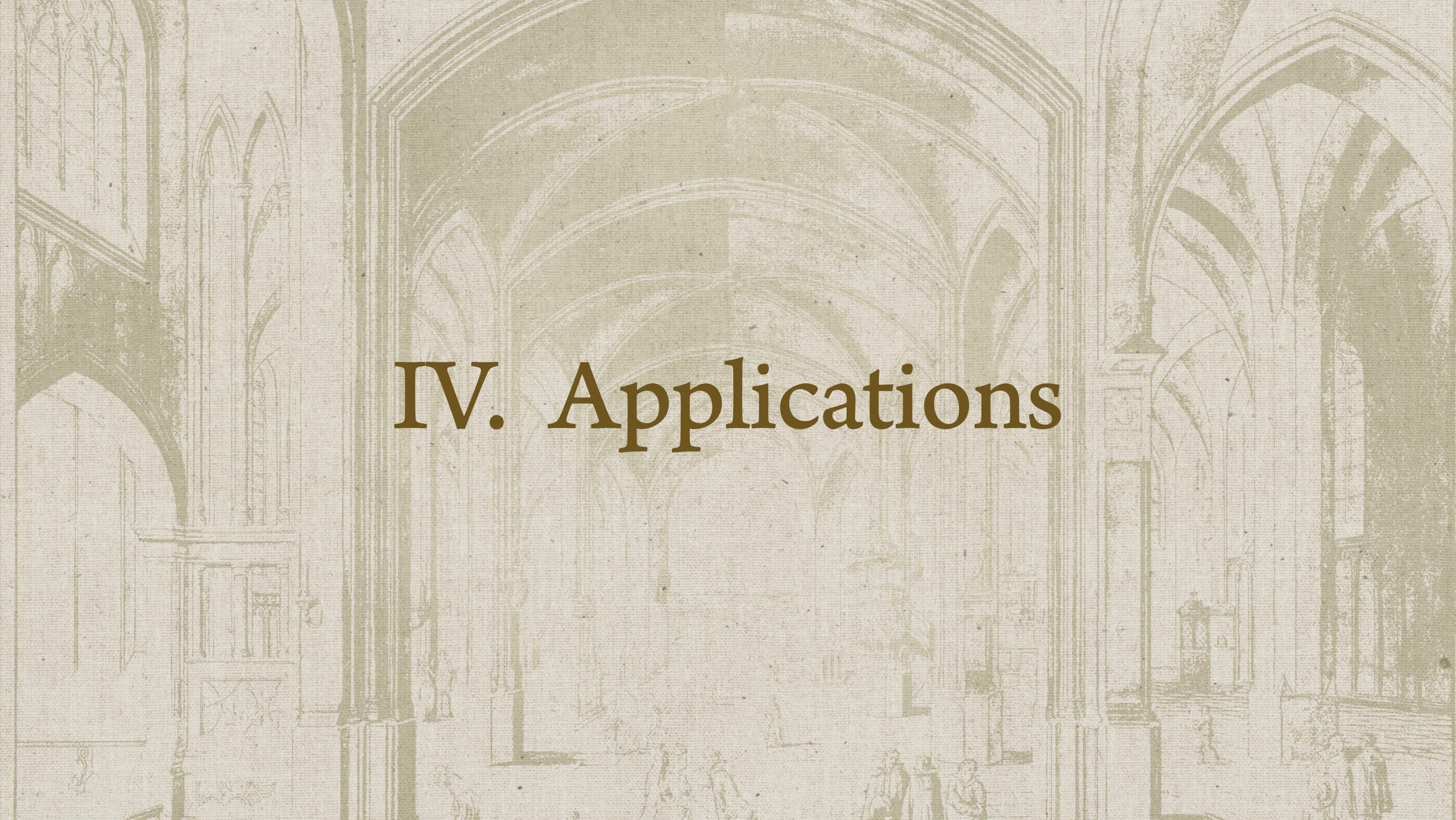
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- Faith, πίστις = faith, trust, and believe.



“⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in **Christ Jesus for good works**, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.”

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IV. Applications

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1. Faith
2. Repentance
3. Baptism
4. Prayer



A. C. T. S.

A- Adoration

C – Confession

T – Thanksgiving

S- Supplication

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A- Adoration

We worship God by telling him about his great works

“Lord, you are so gracious, that you have saved us, your people.”

C – Confession

We confess to God the ways that we still fall short of his righteousness.

“I confess that while I know I am your follower, I have failed to live up to your righteous commands at work, at home, with others.”

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T – Thanksgiving

We proclaim thanksgiving for the good news that Jesus gives us in light of our confession.

“But Lord, I rejoice that because of Jesus’s work on the cross, I am forgiven still, and called to walk in your ways anew!”

S- Supplication

Now we ask the Lord for what we need help with in our lives.

“Help me Father, to be a father to my children this evening at bedtime that reflects your heart for your children.”

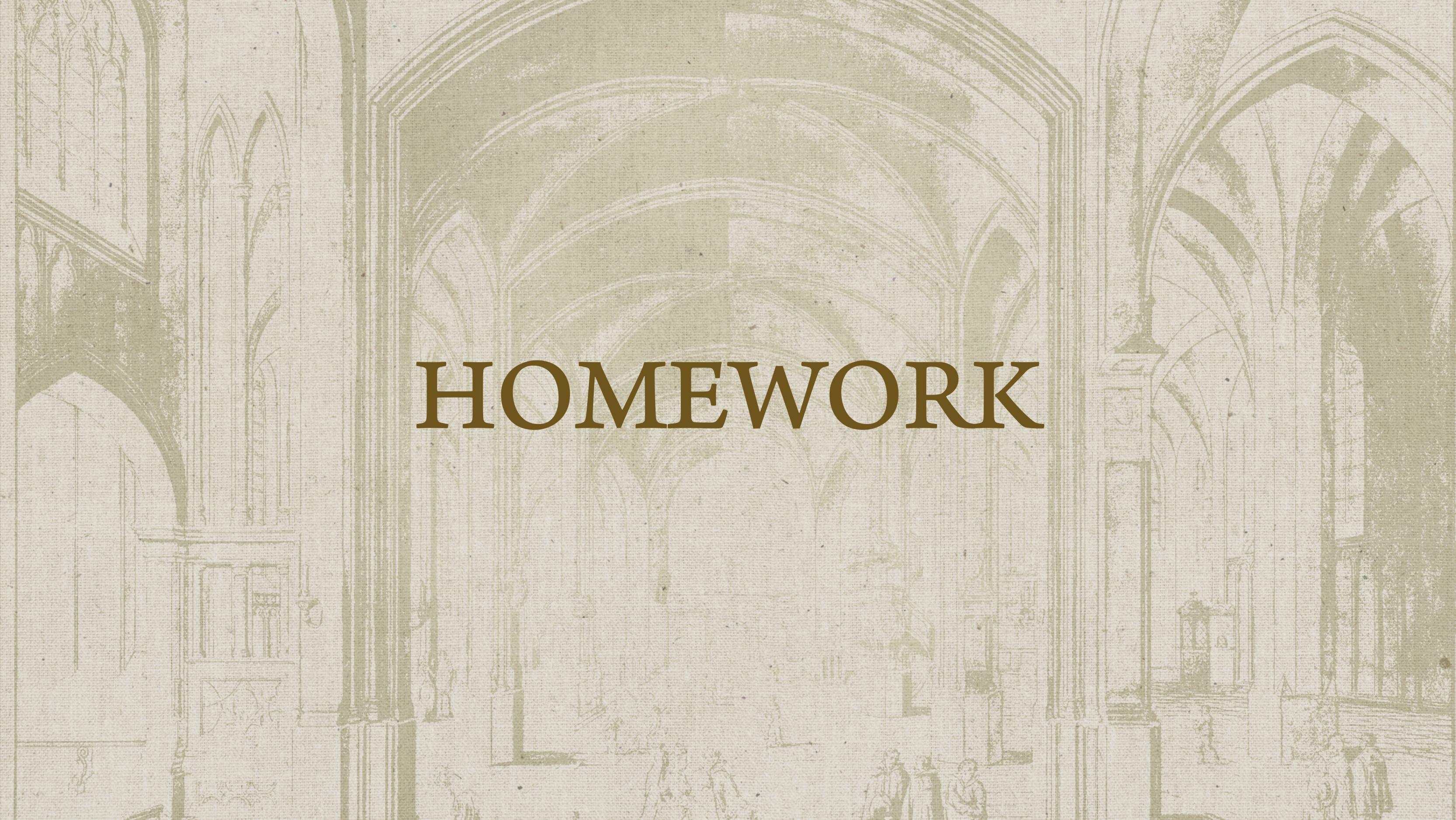
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HOMEWORK

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1. Find a time in your daily schedule when you can pray for at least 10 min.
2. Use the ACTS model to pray 5 times before we return, and be prepared to share what the experience was like at your table when you return.
3. Read over the Tim Keller article *How to Have a Quiet Time* and be prepared to discuss next week.



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