



# Realigned for the Mission

—The Gospel of Matthew 28:16-20—





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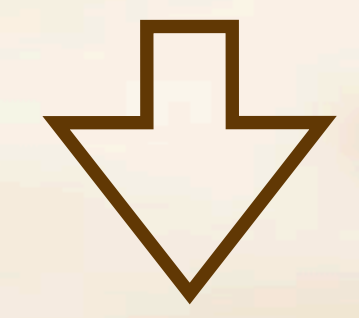




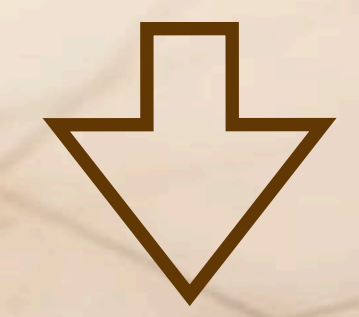


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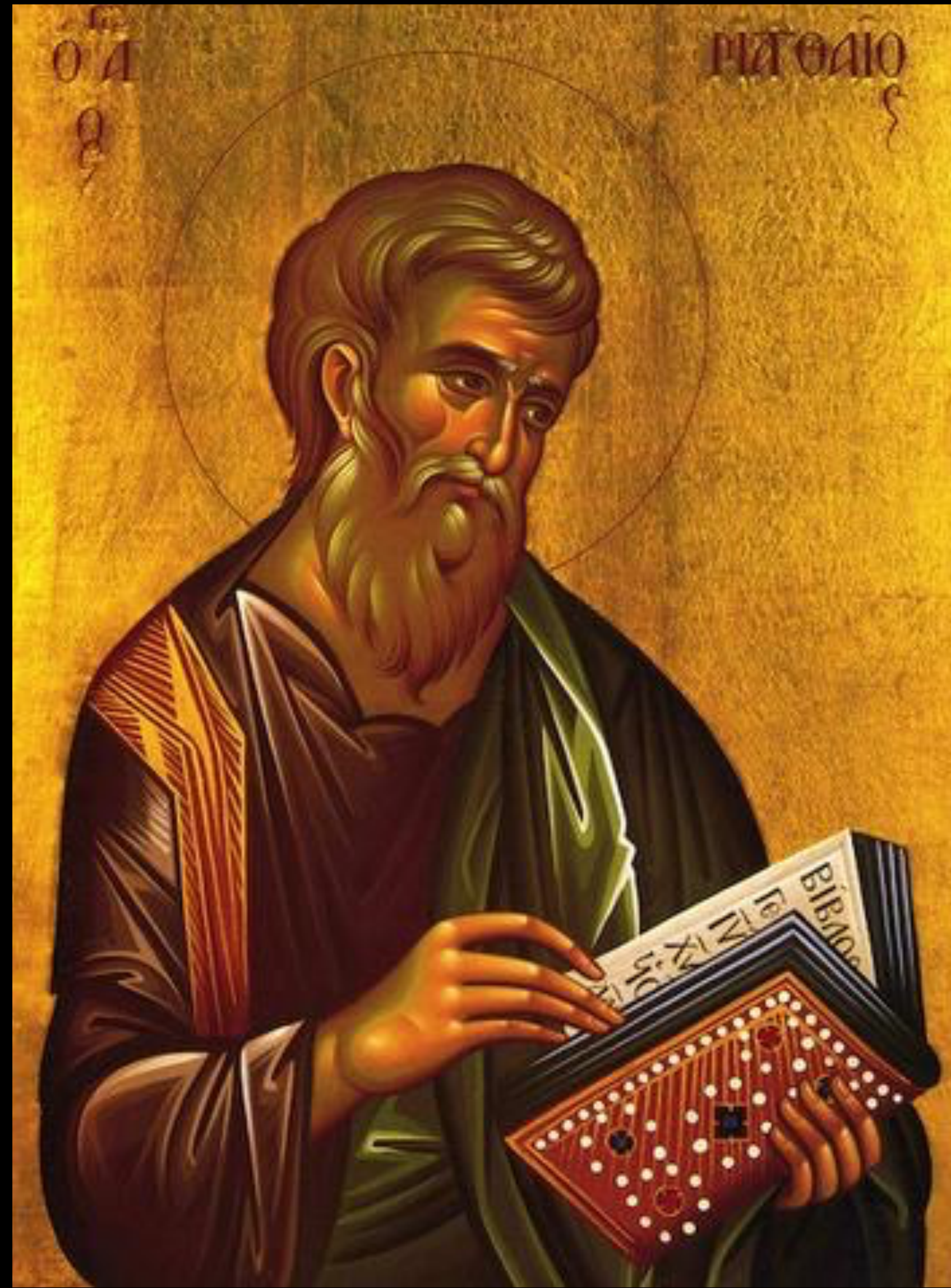




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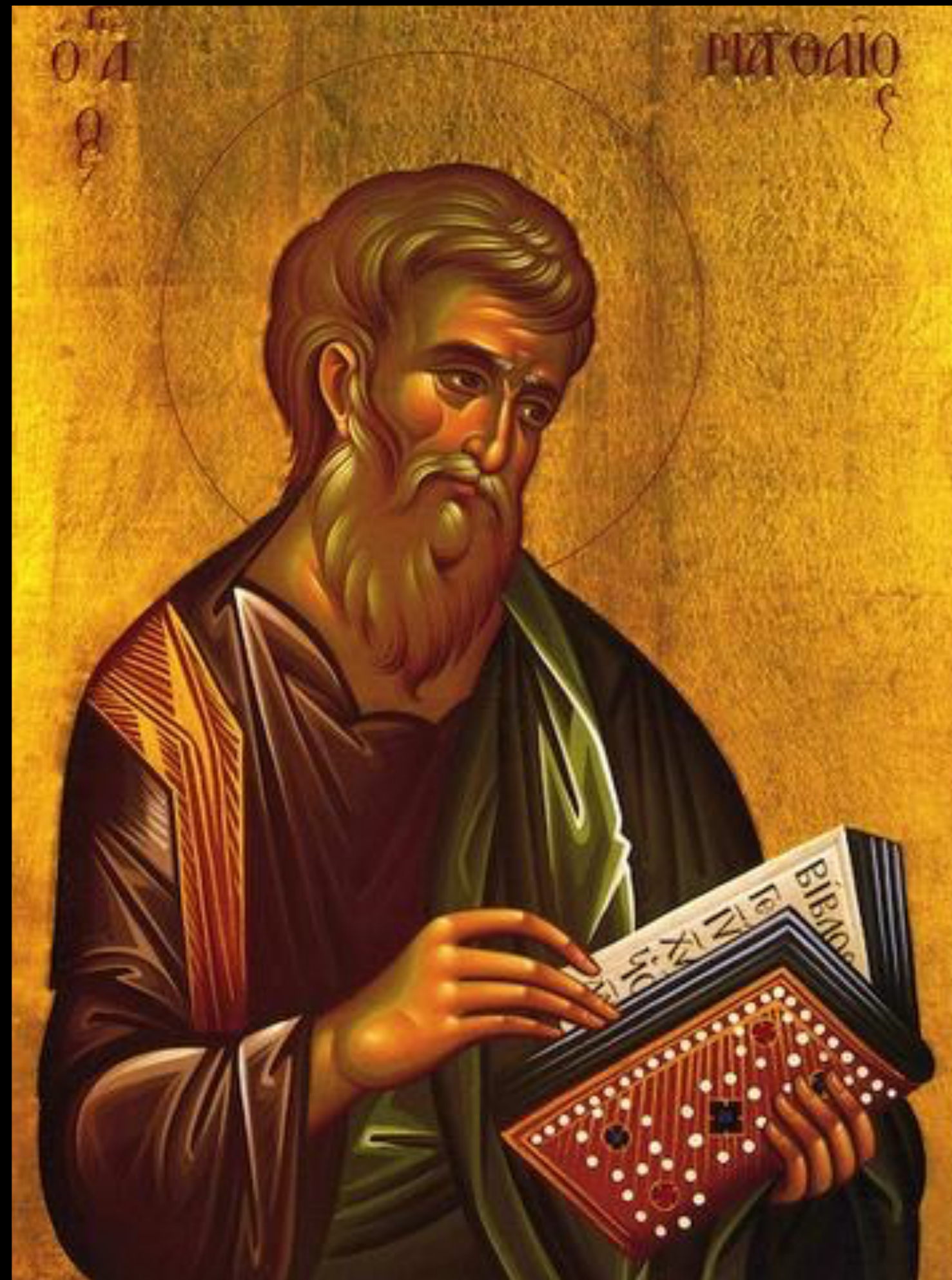
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**Matthew the Tax Collector**





## Matthew the Tax Collector

Nickname: Levi

**Jesus “saw a tax collector named Levi....”**

— Luke 5:27 —

**Jesus “saw Levi the son of Alphaeus....”**

— Mark 2:14 —

**Jesus “saw a man called Matthew....”**

— Matthew 9:9 —

[HT: Zack Swine ]



## Matthew 28

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**16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed him. 17 And when they saw him, they worshiped him, but some doubted.**





**If you had been raised  
your entire life to believe  
that you should only  
worship the Lord your God,  
the Maker of heaven and earth,  
what would convince you  
to now worship a man  
from Nazareth called Jesus?**





**Unless I see in his  
hands the mark of the  
nails, and place my  
finger into the mark of  
the nails, and place my  
hand into his side, I will  
never believe...**





**Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.”**





**Thomas answered him,  
“My Lord and my God.”**

— The Gospel of John 20:25-28 —



## Matthew 28

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17 And when they saw him, **they worshiped him, but some doubted.**

18 And Jesus came and said to them, **“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.....”**



# The Greatness of the Great Commission: 4 “alls”

**1 all authority in heaven & earth**

2 all nations are to be disciplined

3 all that I have taught you teach

4 all your days I will be with you



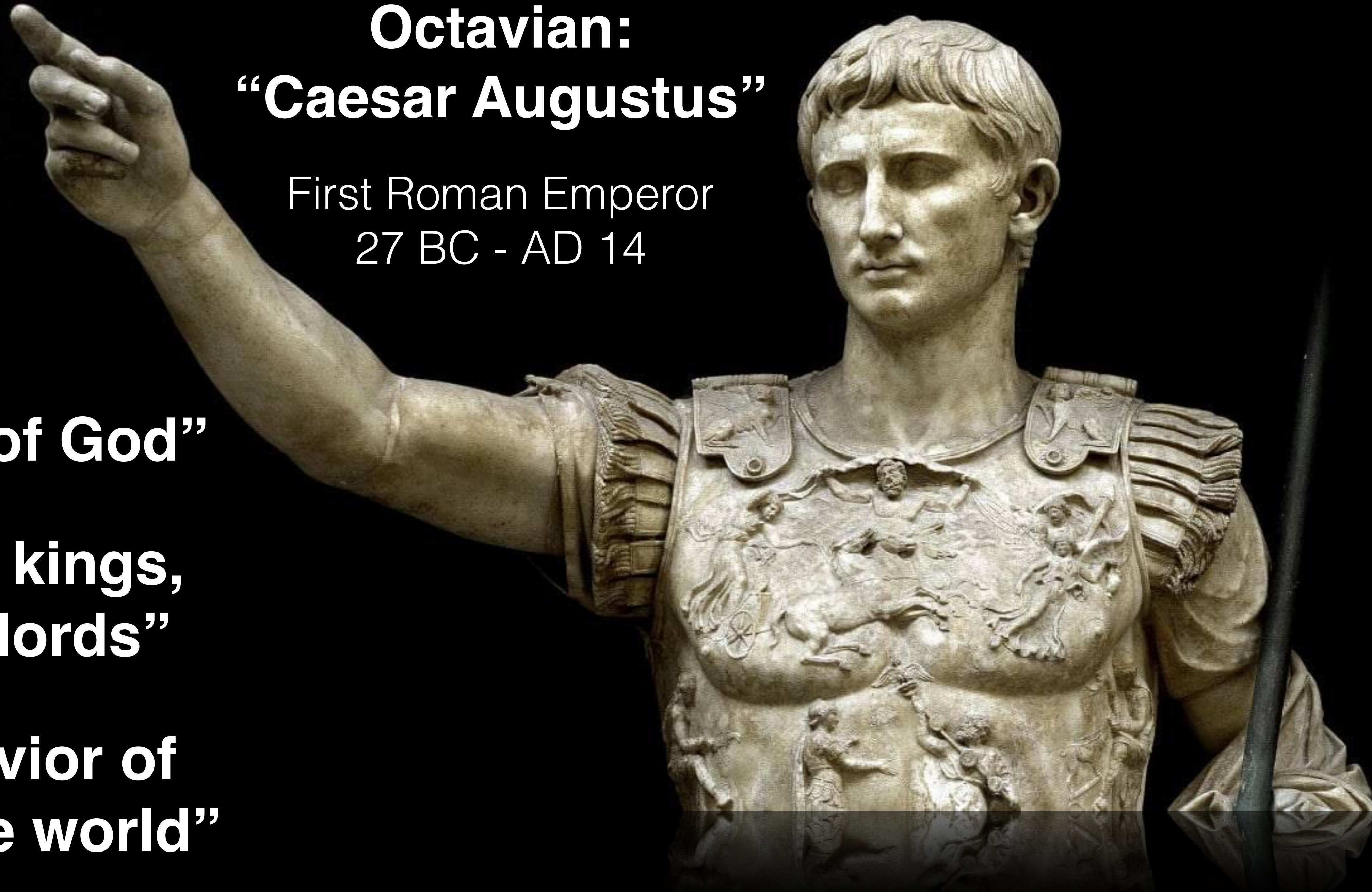
**Octavian:  
“Caesar Augustus”**

First Roman Emperor  
27 BC - AD 14

**“The Son of God”**

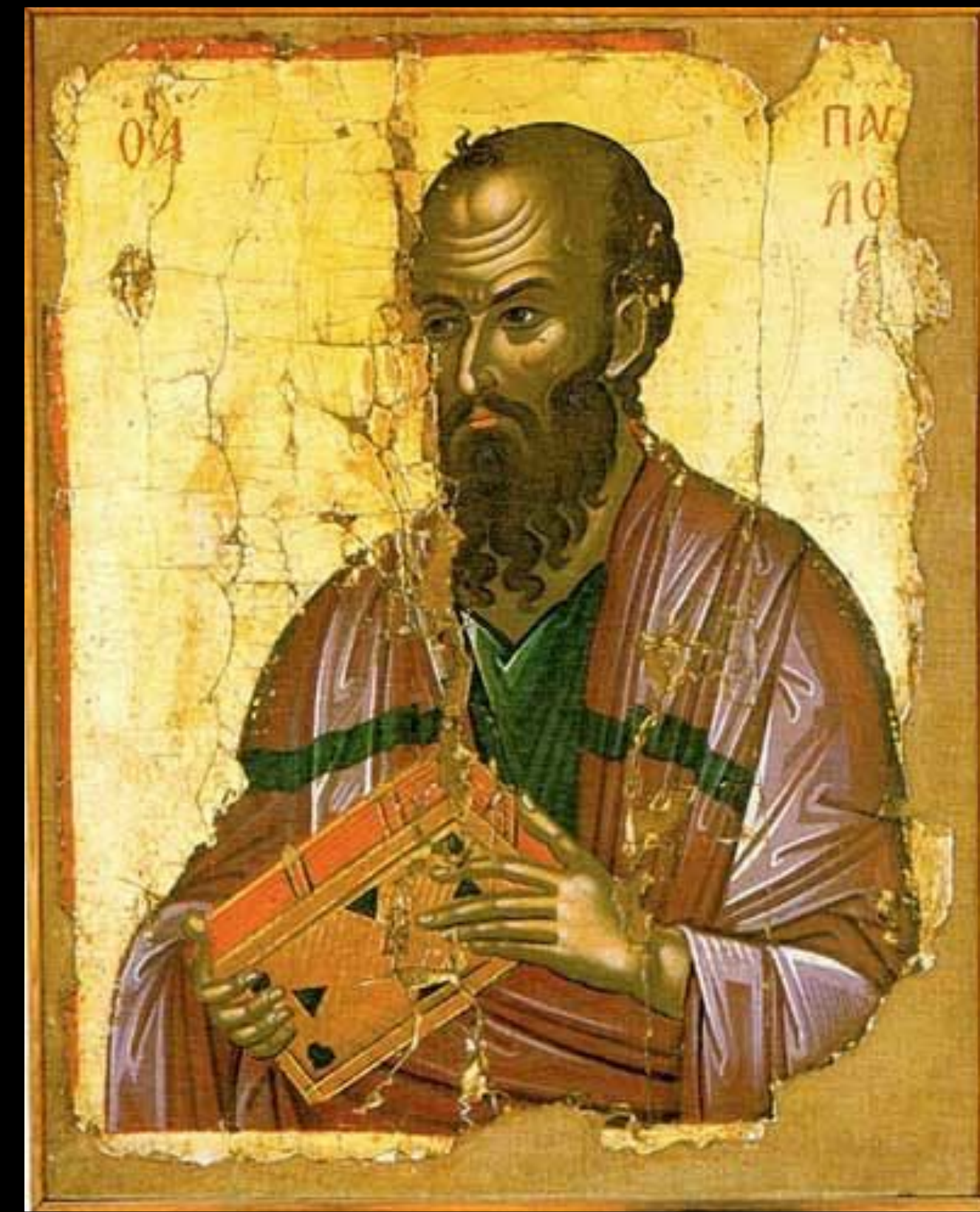
**“King of kings,  
Lord of lords”**

**“The Savior of  
the whole world”**





**Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus,  
called to be an apostle and set  
apart for the gospel of God — the  
gospel he promised beforehand  
through his prophets in the Holy  
Scriptures regarding his Son,  
who as to his earthly life was  
a descendant of David, and who  
through the Spirit of holiness  
was appointed the Son of God in  
power by his resurrection from  
the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord.**



**The Apostle Paul  
— Romans 1:1-4—**



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**King of kings &  
Lord of lords.**

— Revelation 19:16 —





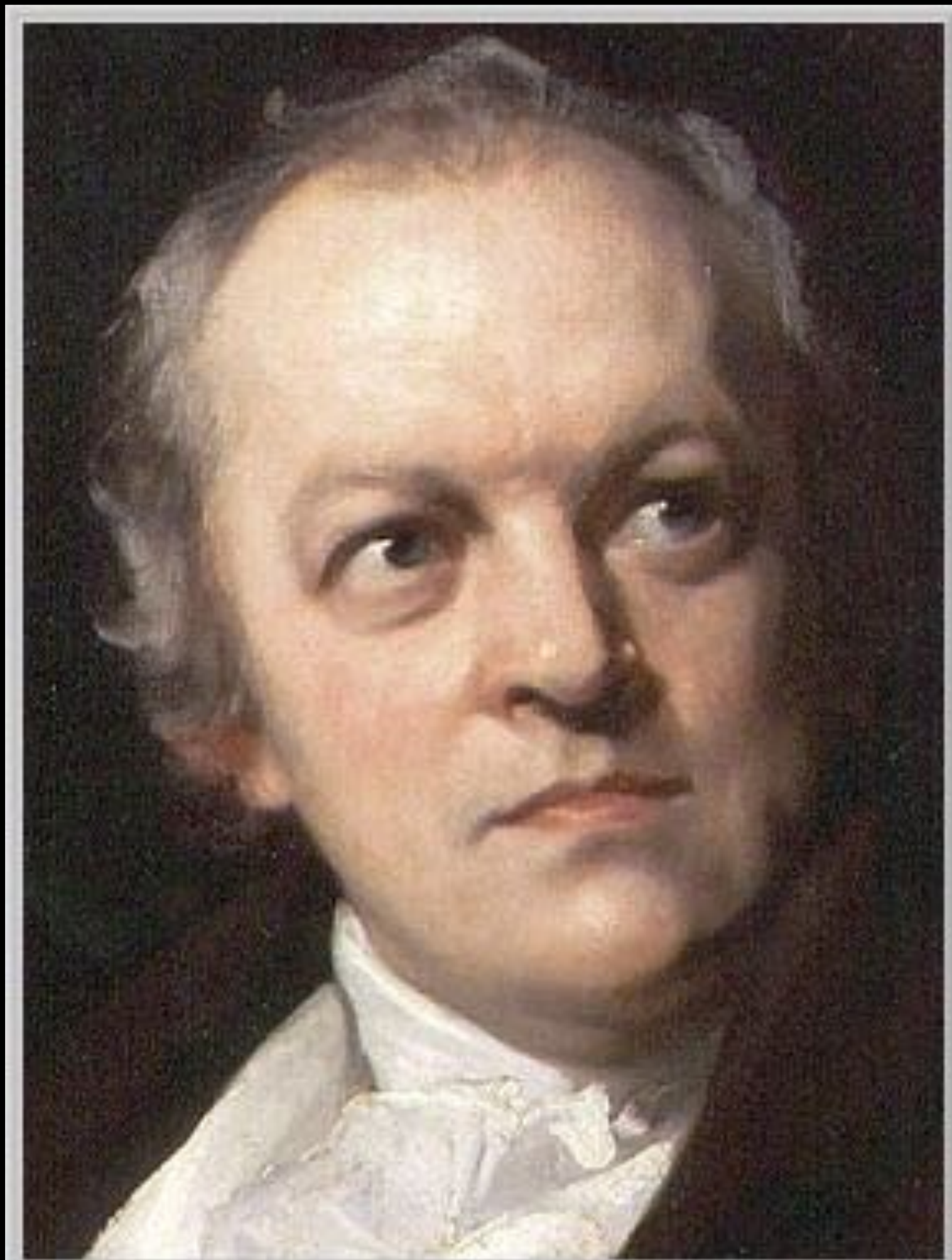
**There is not one square  
inch of the entire  
creation about which  
Jesus Christ does not  
cry out, “This is mine!  
This belongs to me!”**

— Abraham Kuyper —

Former Prime Minister of the Netherlands







**The glory of  
Christianity  
is to conquer  
by forgiveness.**

William Blake, Poet  
1757-1827



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**19 Go therefore and **make disciples** of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you.....**



**MAKE DISCIPLES**



# MAKE DISCIPLES

↳ **going**

↳ **baptizing**

↳ **teaching**

**Therefore, as you go, disciple people in all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything that I've commanded you.**



# Disciple

dis·ci·ple

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**Someone who Learns  
the Teachings of their Master &  
Lives According to their Example**





**Discipleship is a  
Lifelong Apprenticeship  
of Following Jesus  
in a New Way of  
Being Human**





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# GEEKING OUT ON GREEK

ethnē / ἔθνη

**a tribe, a nation, a people group, or ethnic groups  
bound together by various customs**



**You were slain, and by Your blood  
You ransomed people for God  
from every tribe and language  
and people and nation...**

— Revelation 5:9 —







**How might God use me  
to reach a group of  
people with the Good  
News about Jesus?**



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A blue-tinted image of a water droplet falling into a pool of water, creating ripples. The droplet is captured in mid-fall, just above the surface, with a small splash of water below it. The ripples are concentric circles that spread outwards from the point of impact. The background is a solid, deep blue color.

**Baptism is a sacrament given by Christ to signify the central truth of the Gospel: the cleansing of our sins made possible by the shedding of His blood.**









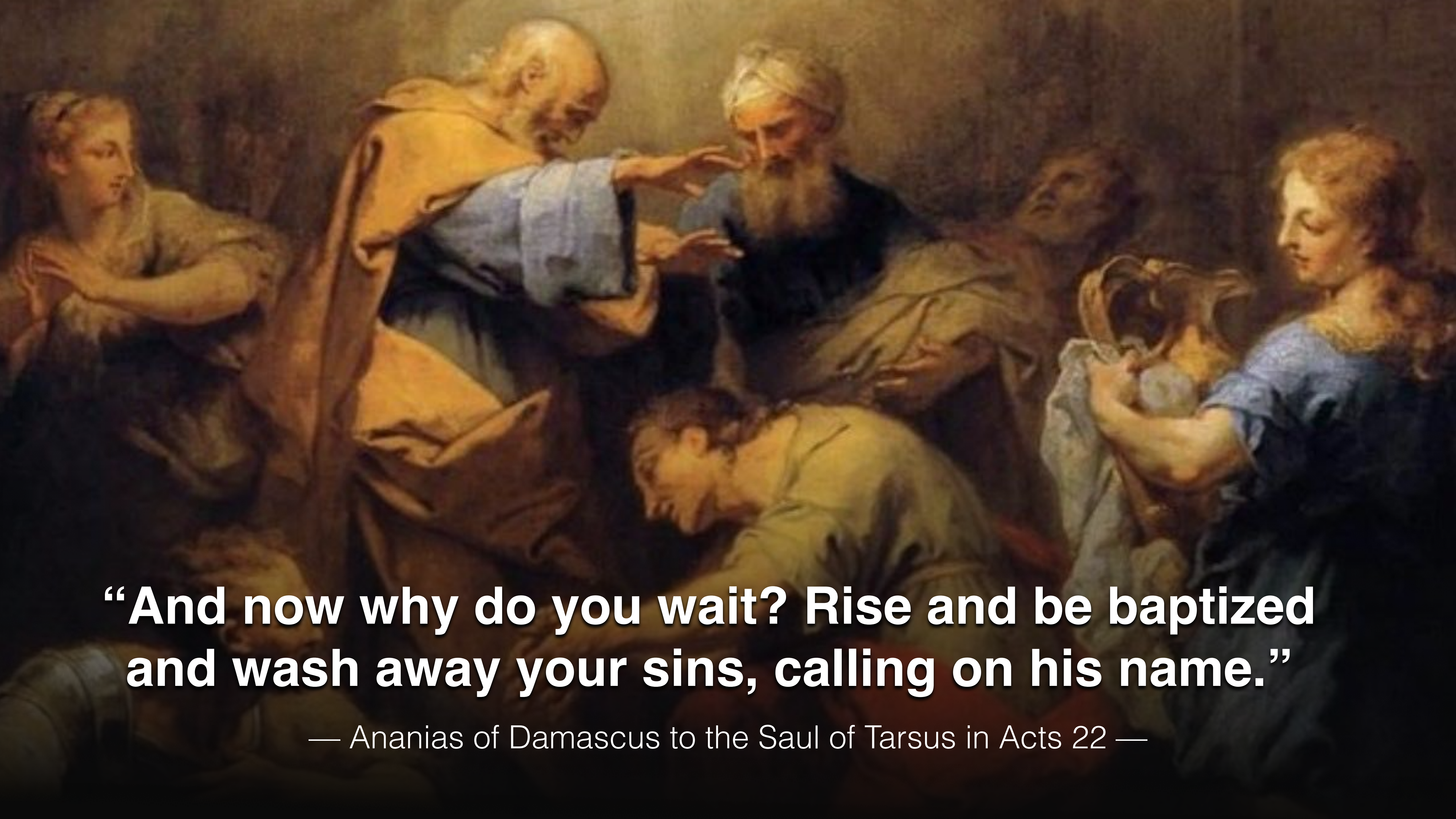
**Ananais, a devout man...came to me, and standing beside me said, “Brother Saul, receive your sight.” And at that very hour I received my sight and saw him.**





**And he said, “The God of our fathers appointed you to know his will, to see the Righteous One and to hear a voice from his mouth. For you will be a witness for him to everyone of what you have seen and heard.**





**“And now why do you wait? Rise and be baptized and wash away your sins, calling on his name.”**

— Ananias of Damascus to the Saul of Tarsus in Acts 22 —



**...let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.**

— Hebrews 10:22 —







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**A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”**

**Jesus of Nazareth**

— The Gospel of Luke 6:46 —





**There is simply no basis for ever saying, “I’ve got the gospel; now what’s next?”**

**Indeed the gospel is the ABC’s of this life of grace; it’s the A to Z, the Alpha and Omega, the prelude through the closing credits, the appetizer through the dessert.**

- Scotty Smith -



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**He has said, 'I will never leave you nor forsake you.'  
So we can confidently say, 'The Lord is my helper;  
I will not fear; what can man do to me?'**

— Hebrews 13:5-6 —





# The Greatness of the Great Commission

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**Bonus! 5 all the disciples are included**



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**you all / all of you / y'all / all y'all**

(second person plural)





1

**Let's Hail Him As Our  
Matchless King  
Through All Eternity**





**Amazing love  
how can it be?  
That you my King  
would die for me?**

— “Amazing Love (You Are My King)” —





**Your wish, Jesus, is my command!**



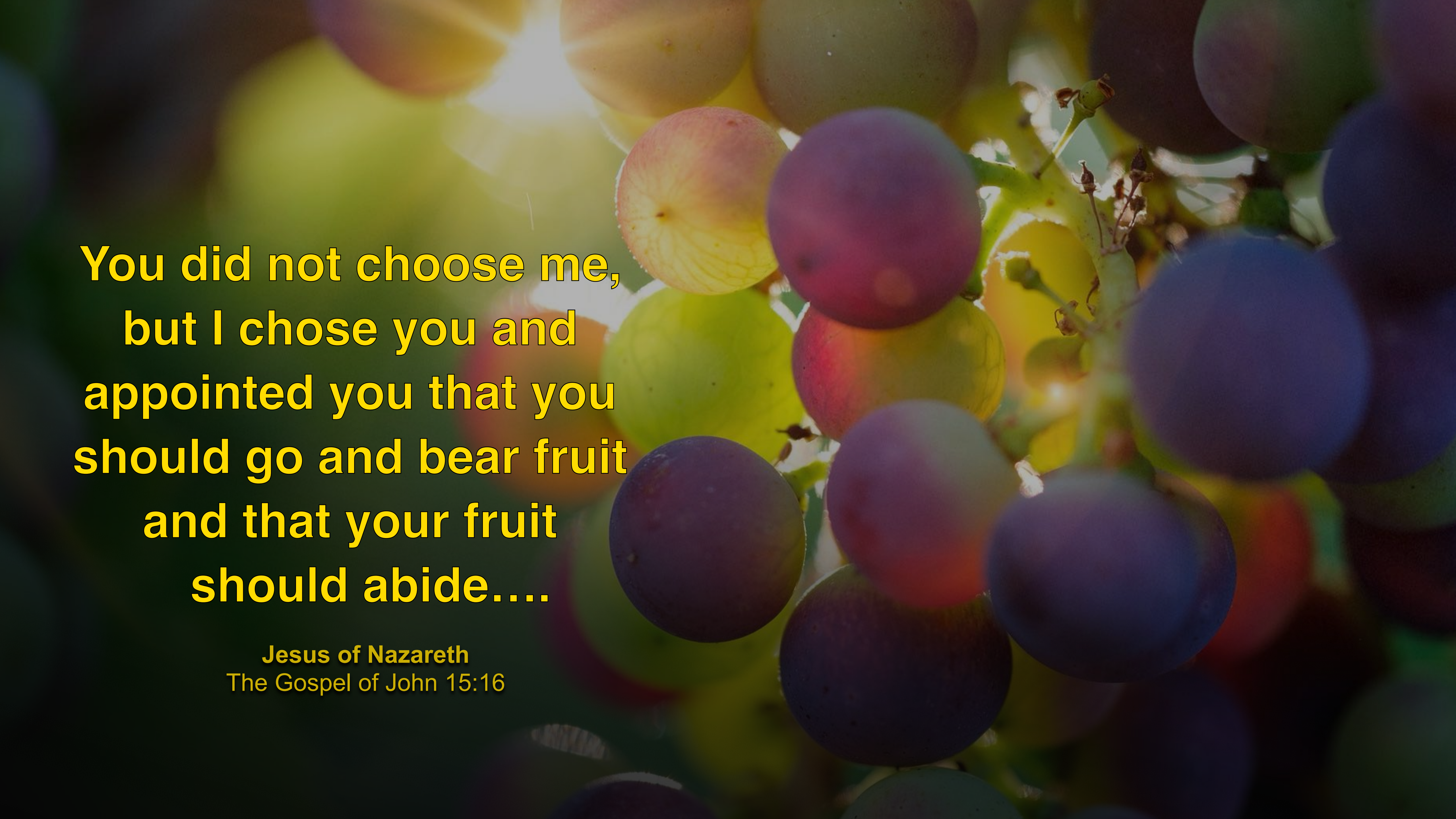


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# See Yourself as a Disciple of King Jesus

(This is your true identity)





**You did not choose me,  
but I chose you and  
appointed you that you  
should go and bear fruit  
and that your fruit  
should abide....**

**Jesus of Nazareth**  
The Gospel of John 15:16



3

**Let's Engage in  
the Mission Jesus  
Has Given Us**







**Ah, I don't know...  
I think I want to  
sit this one out!**







A person wearing a dark suit and a light-colored shirt is holding a white rectangular sign with both hands. The sign contains the text: 


**God never asks about  
our ability or inability,  
but only our availability.**





Maybe your next step is to get clear  
on the message of the Gospel of Jesus.





**All Christians at all times  
should be prepared for that  
moment when God brings  
them into contact with a  
person prepared by the Holy  
Spirit for trusting Christ.**

— C. Peter Wagner —



**It's not so much that  
Jesus has a mission  
for his church, as much  
as he has a church  
for his mission.**

— Christopher Wright, *The Mission of God* —







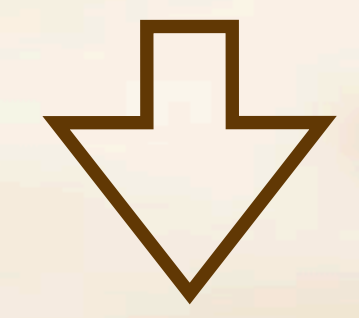
We do not exist  
for ourselves, but  
for the mission  
of Jesus!



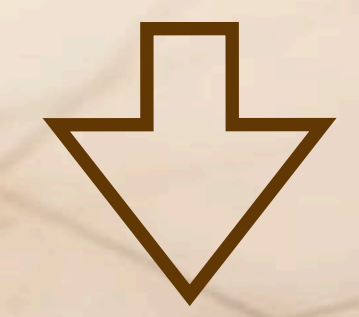


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