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## 2 Views of Humanity:

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**LADY, PEOPLE AREN'T  
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## Persistence of the Romantic View:

The fallacy “because people are a good, they must be good.”

The truth is: “people are valuable, even though they aren’t good.”

**Because:**

**They are valuable for a reason other than their moral goodness and behavior.**



# A Consistent View of Humans

## Society:

1. Democratic Ideal
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3. Liberty Ideal
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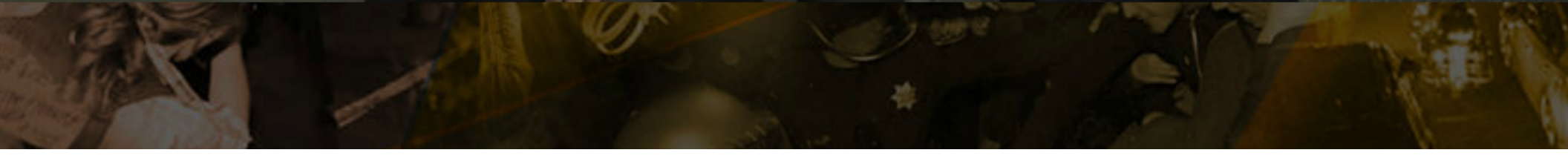
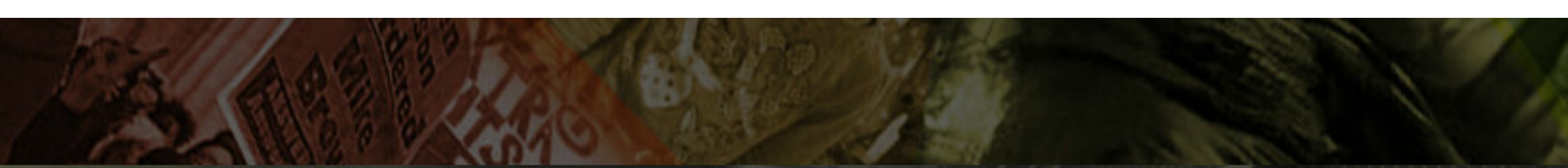


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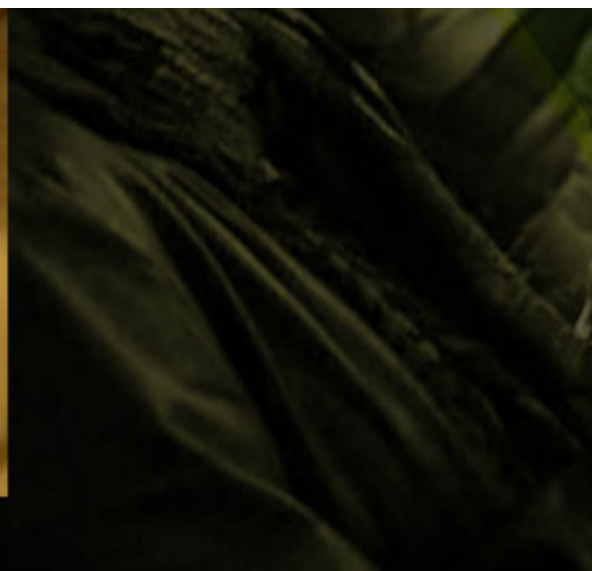
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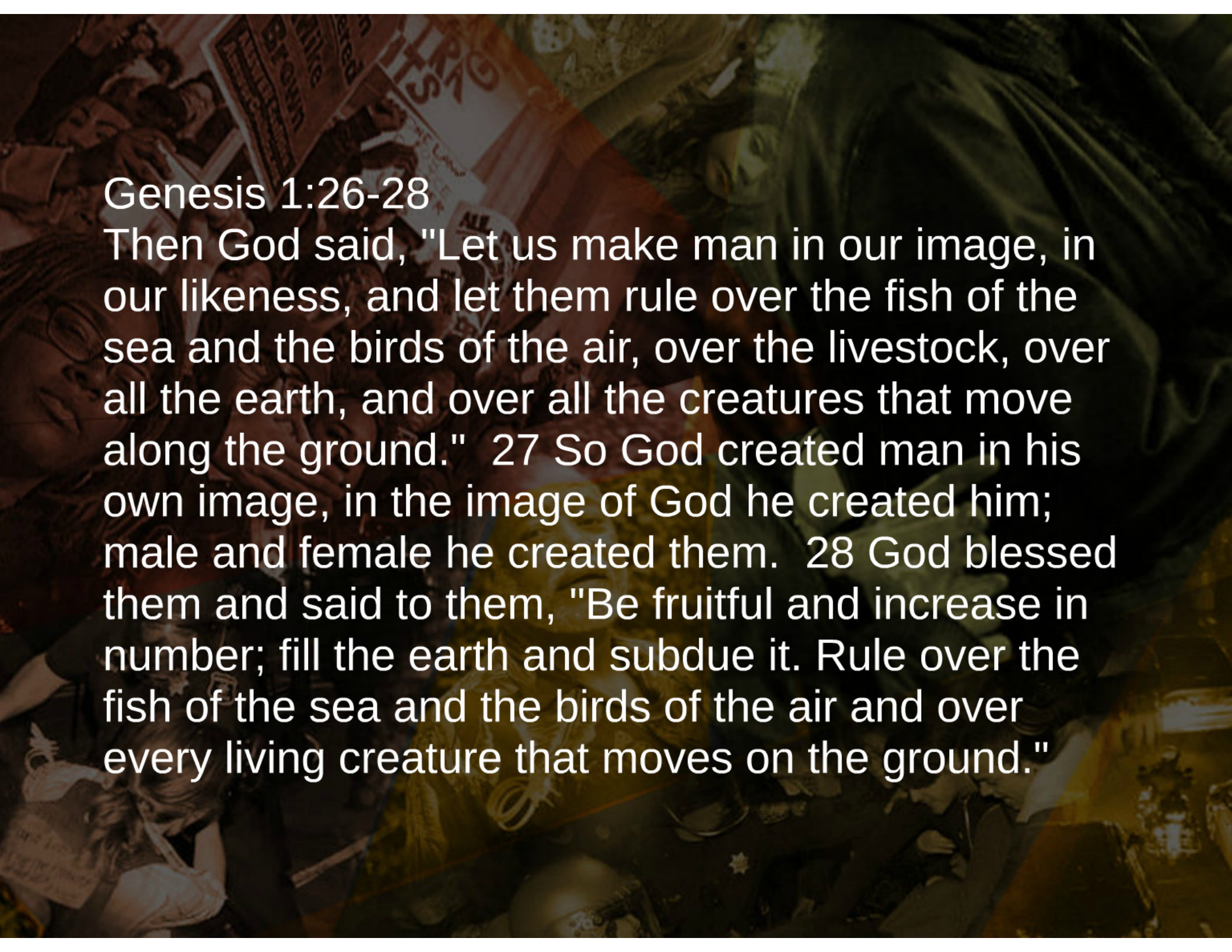
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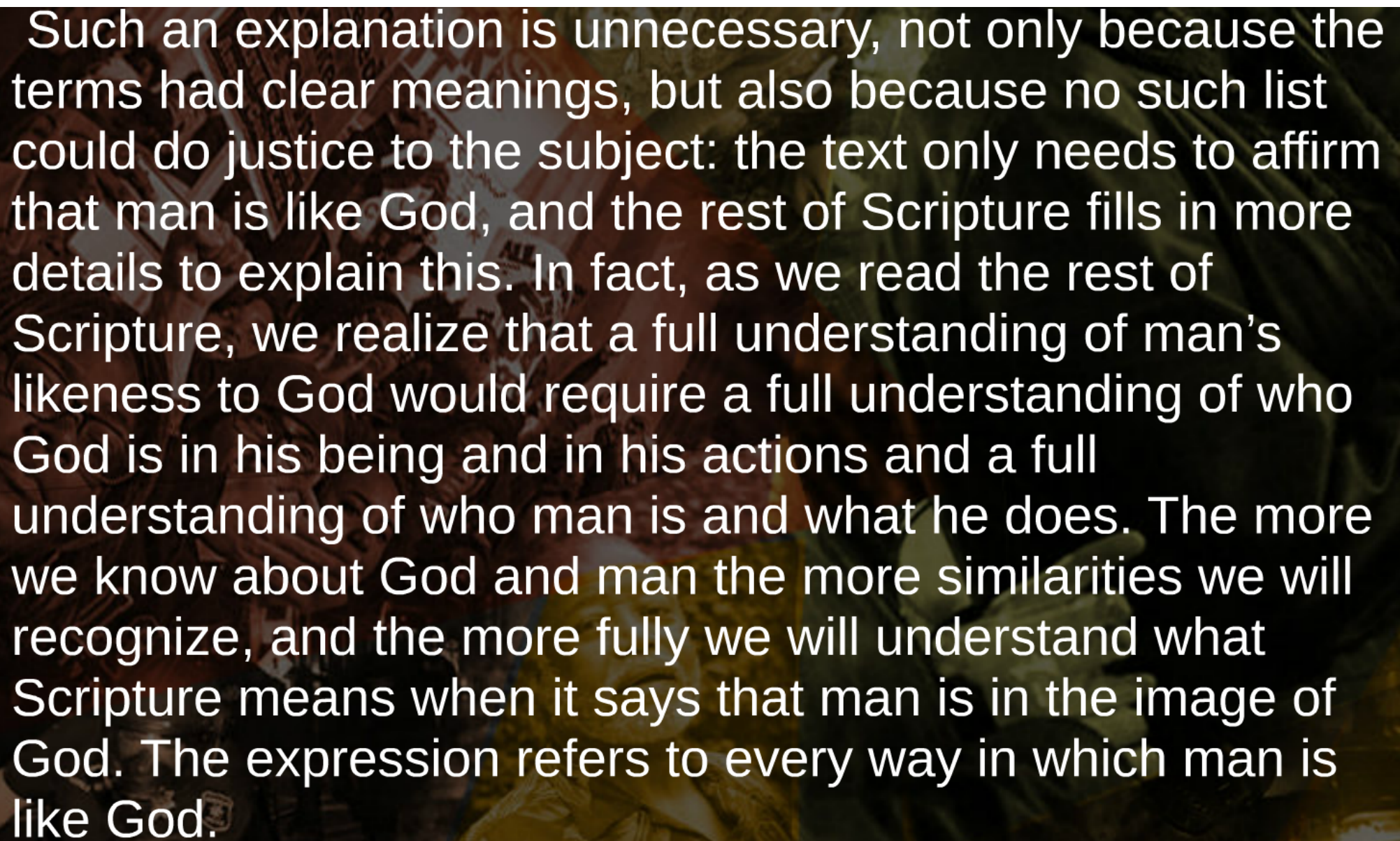
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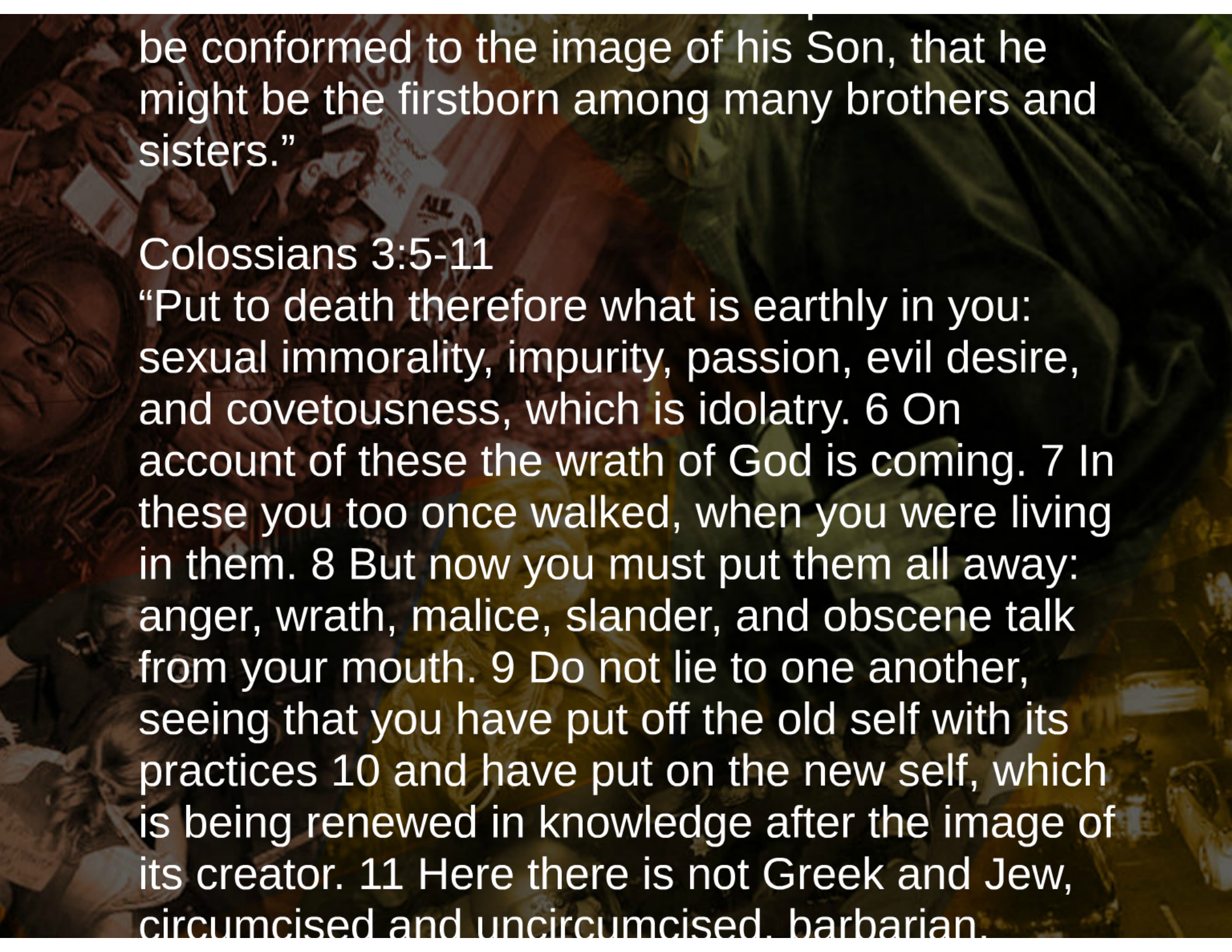
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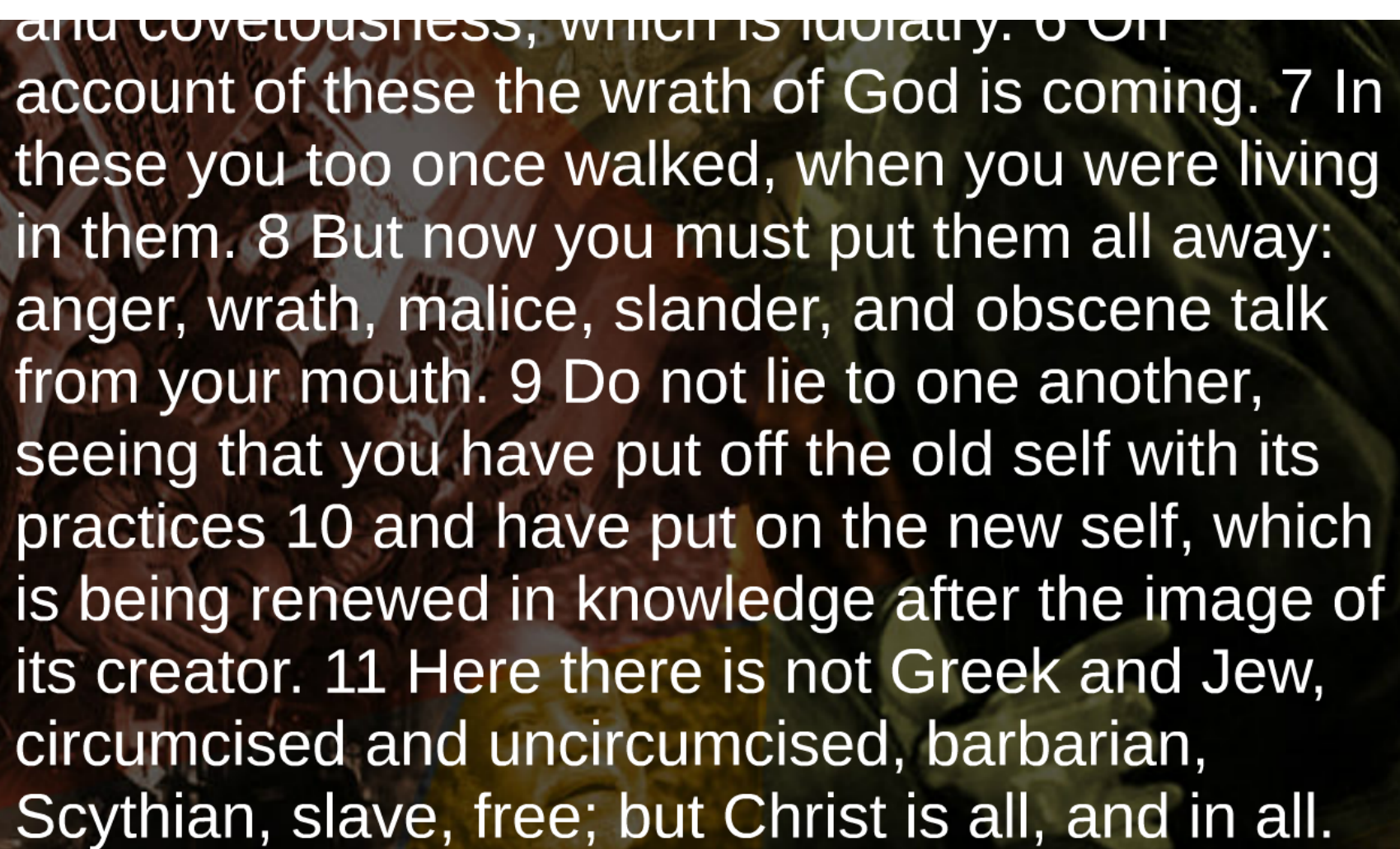


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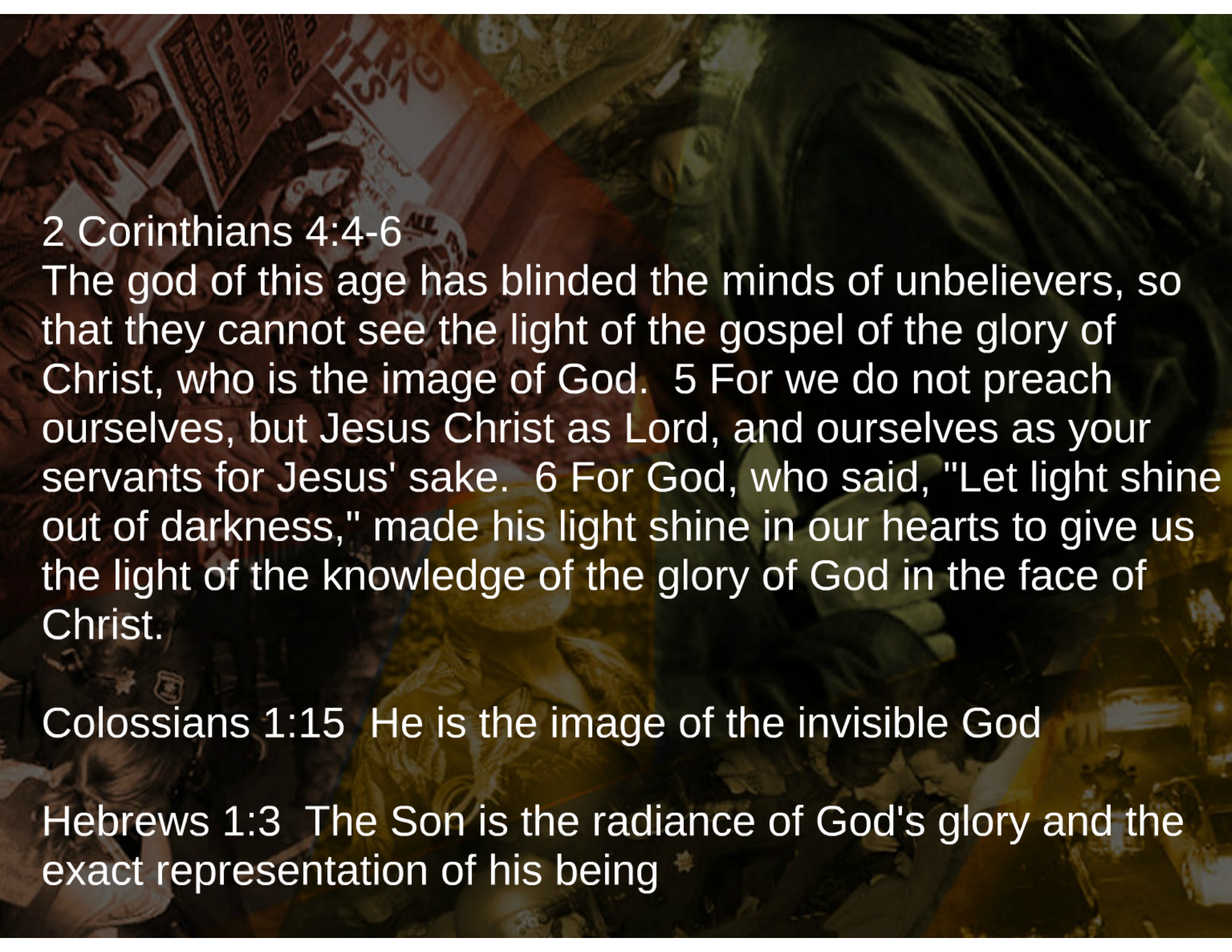
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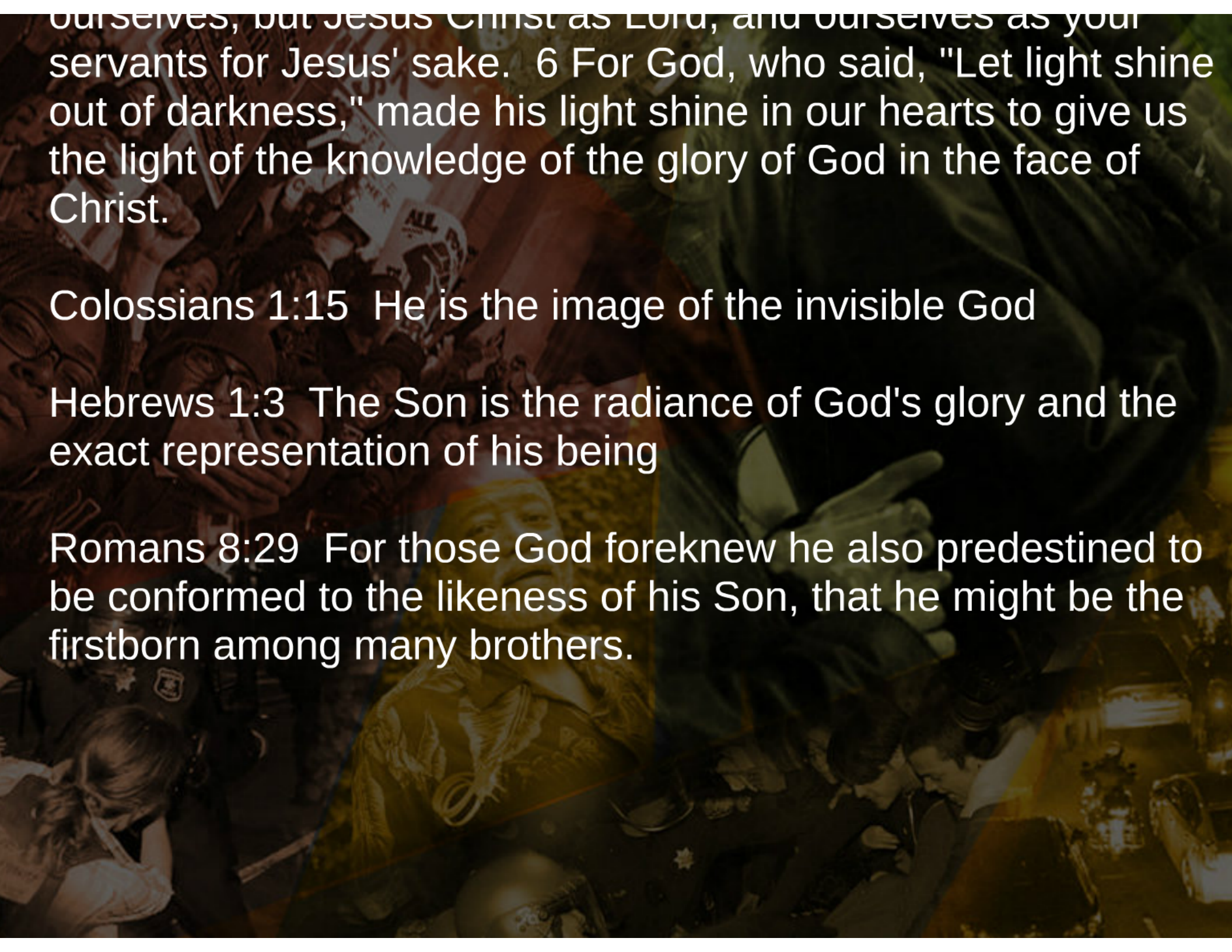
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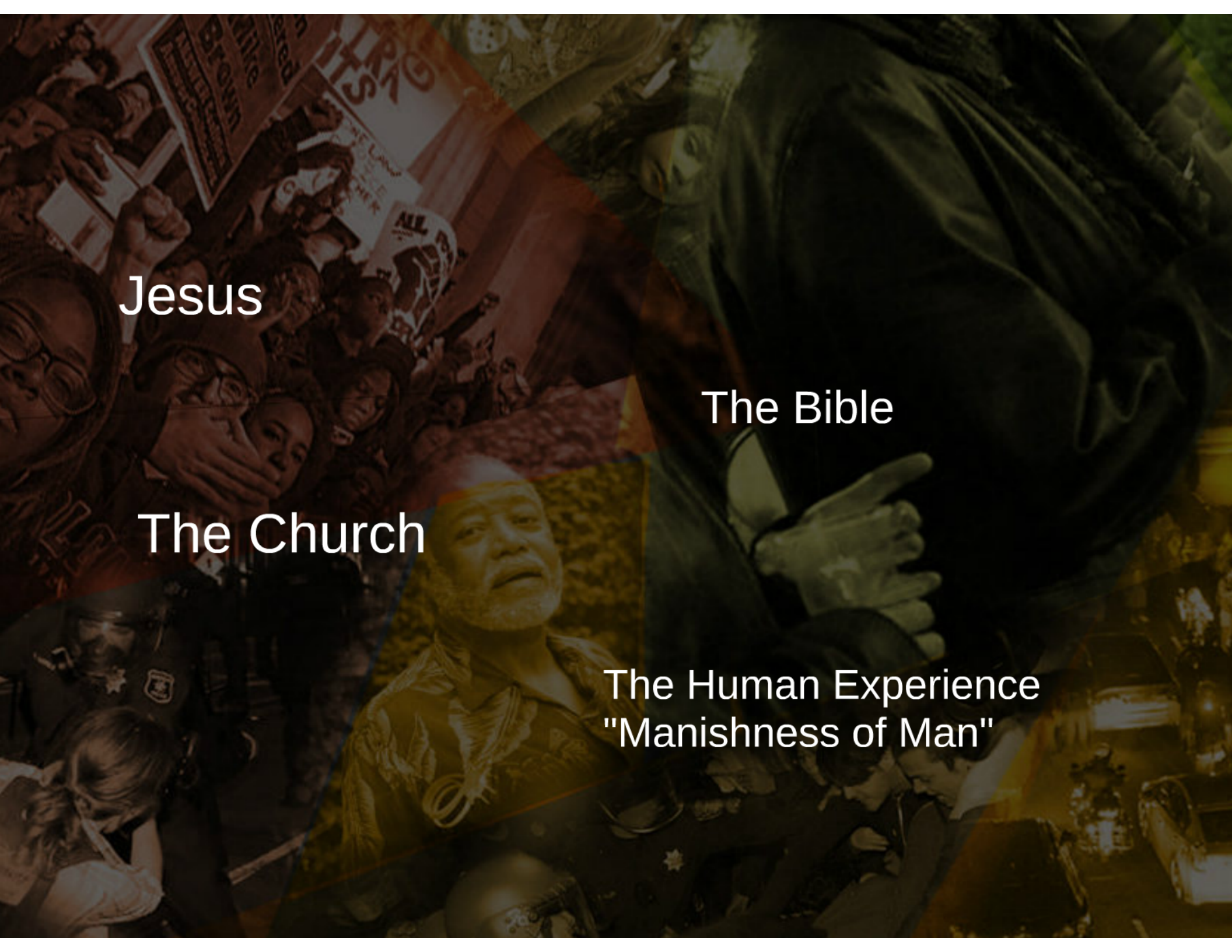
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The background is a dark, textured collage of various images. On the left, there's a crowd of people at a protest, with signs that say "BROWN", "LIVE", "IT'S 1968", and "ALL". In the center, a woman in a green shirt is looking down. Below her, a man in a suit is shown. On the right, a woman in a white shirt is looking down. The overall tone is somber and reflective.

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