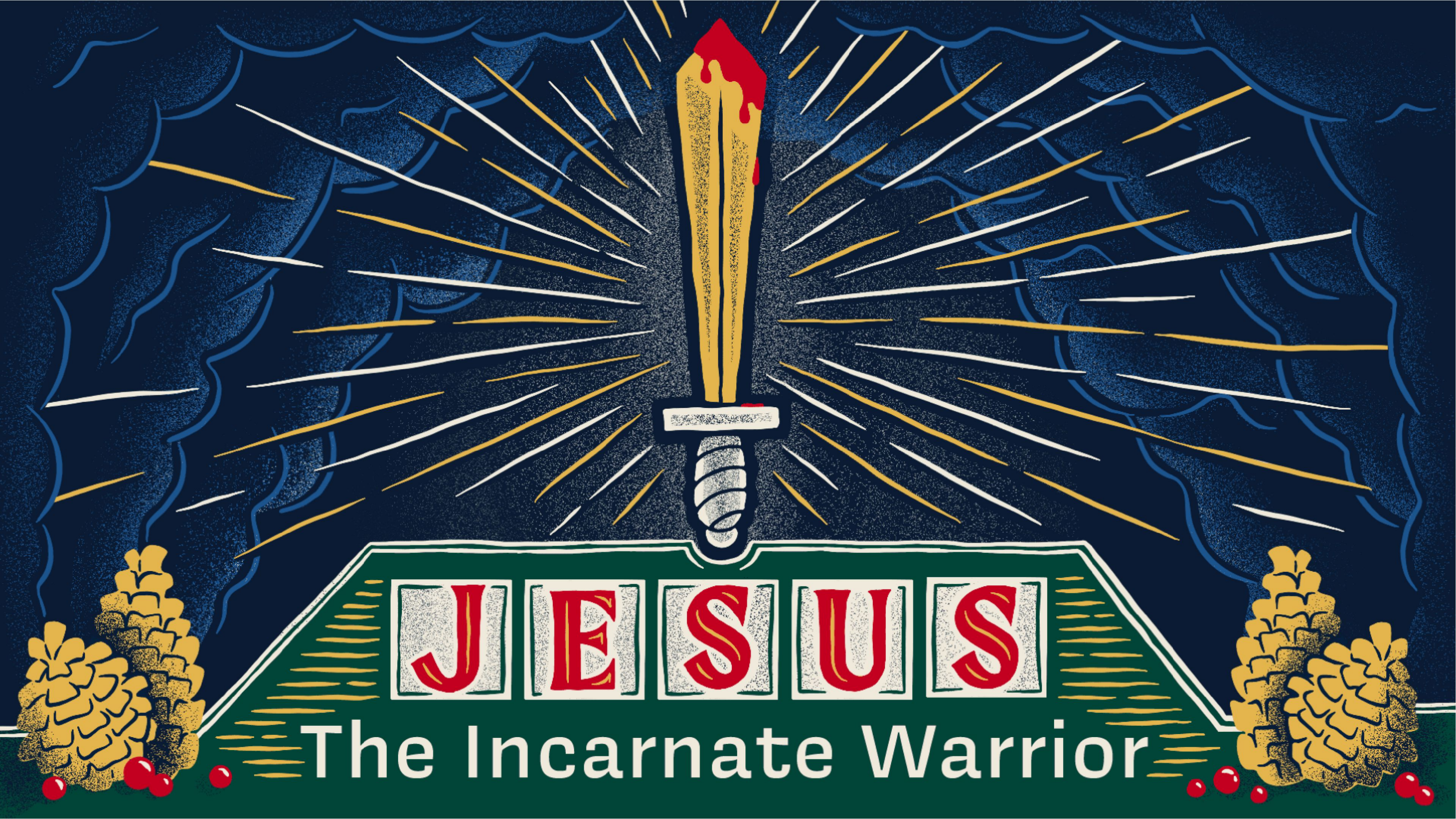




**Ephesians 6:10–13**  
**page 1781**





JESUS

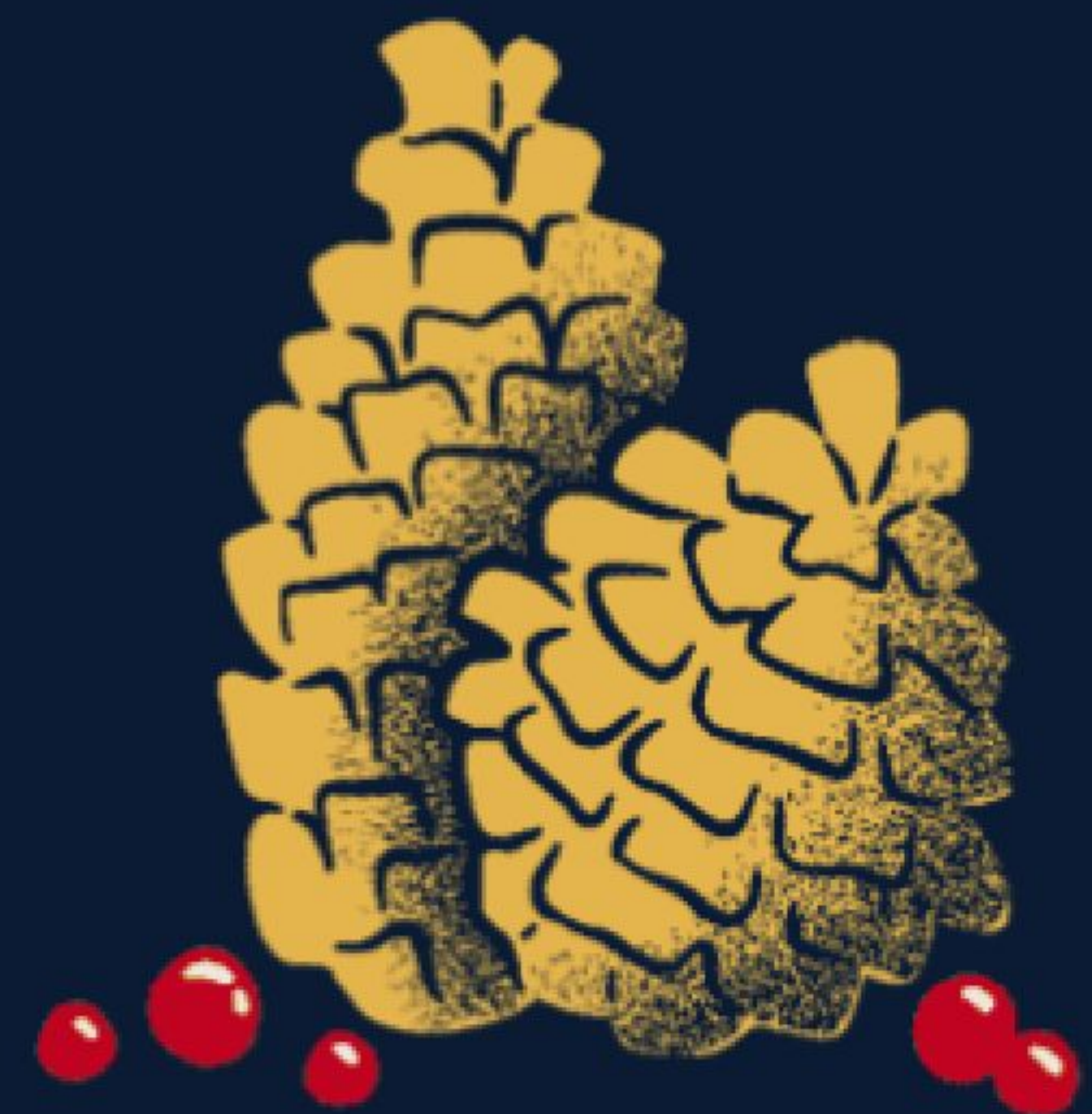
The Incarnate Warrior



# Isn't Jesus a man of PEACE?

Luke 2:14 NIV

"Glory to God in the highest heaven,  
and on earth peace to those on whom  
his favor rests."





## Isaiah 9:6 NIV

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.



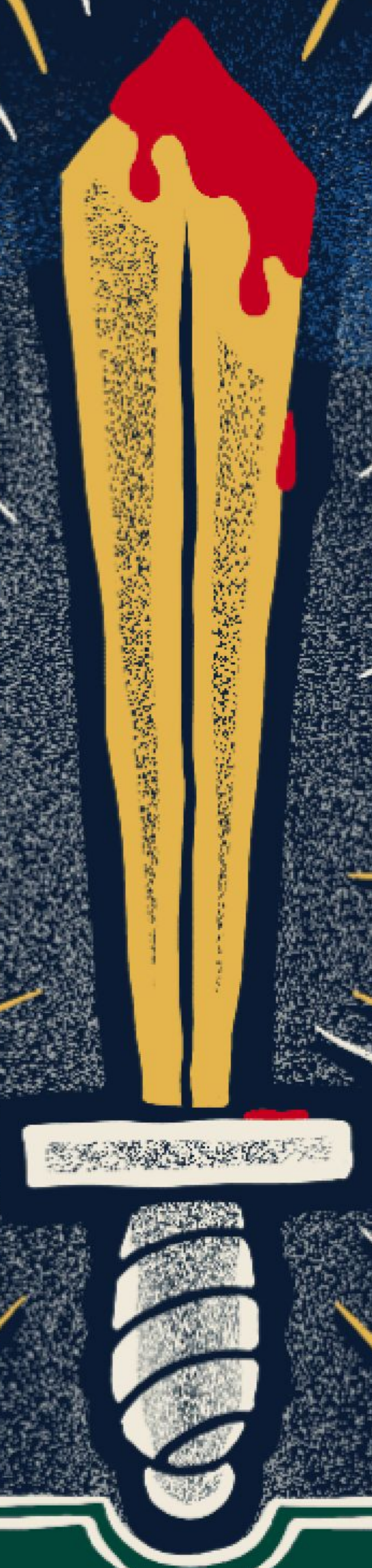


**Matthew 5:9 NIV**

**Blessed are the peacemakers, for  
they will be called children of God.**







J E S U S

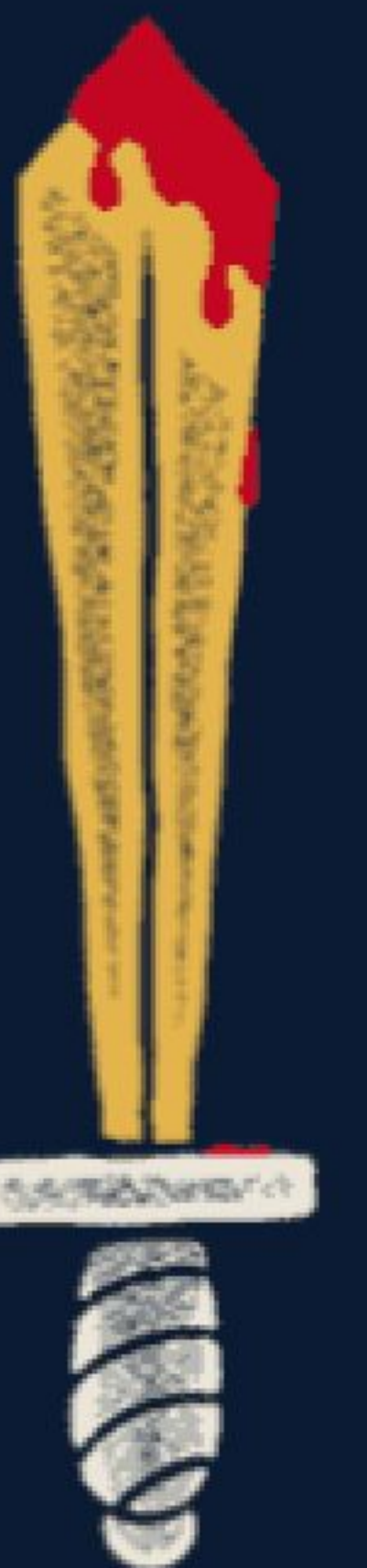
The Incarnate Warrior





## Luke 12:51 – 52 NIV

Do you think I came to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but division.  
From now on there will be five in one family divided against each other, three against two and two against three.





Isaiah 9:3–6 NIV "You have enlarged the nation and increased their joy; they rejoice before you as people rejoice at the harvest, **as warriors rejoice when dividing the plunder.**

**For as in the day of Midian's defeat, you have shattered the yoke that burdens them, the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor.**

**Every warrior's boot used in battle and every garment rolled in blood will be destined for burning, will be fuel for the fire.**

**For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."**



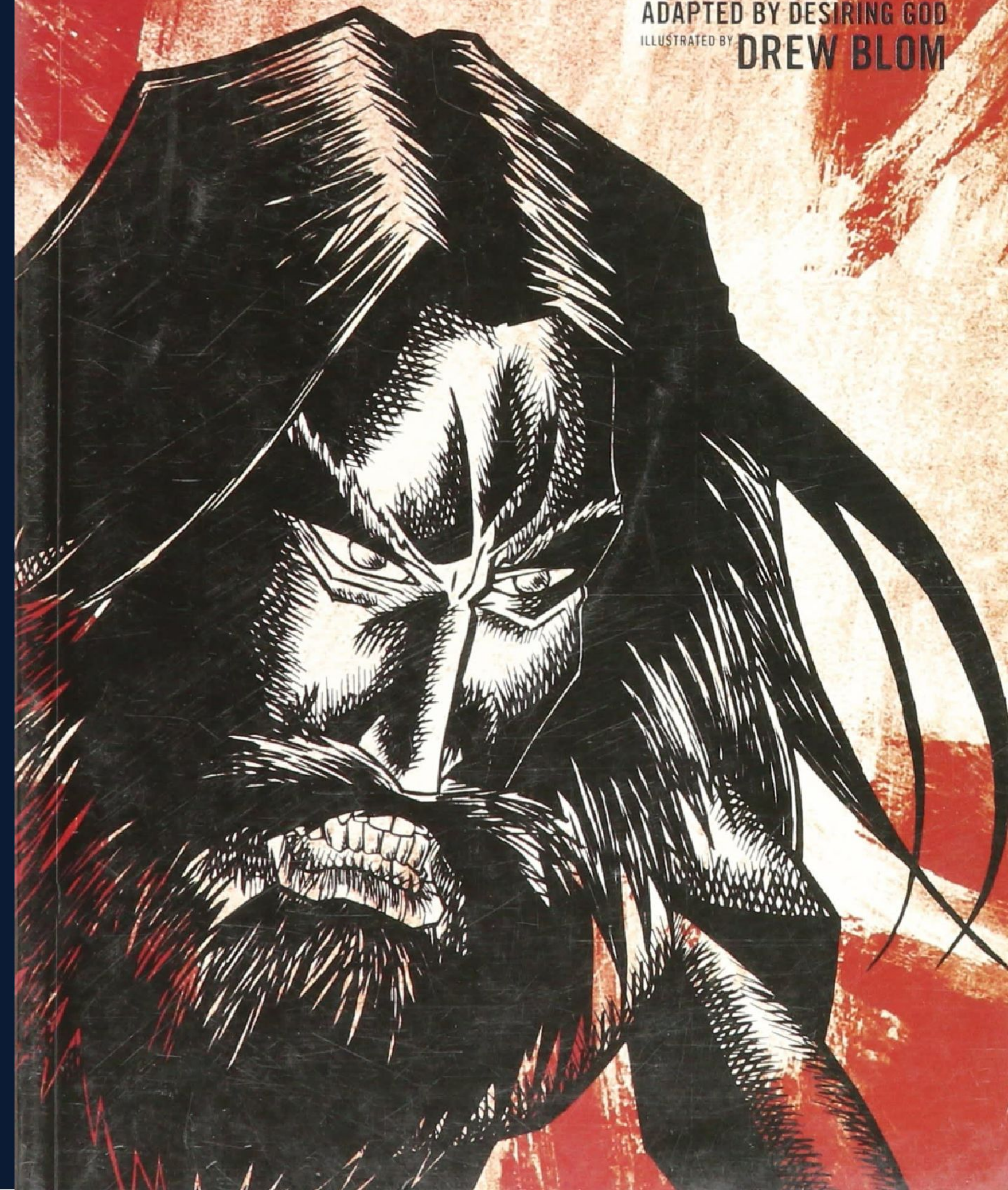


# Matthew 8, Mark 4, Luke 8

...a man with an impure spirit came from the tombs to meet him...lived in the tombs, and no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain...No one was strong enough to subdue him. Night and day among the tombs and in the hills he would cry out and cut himself with stones...

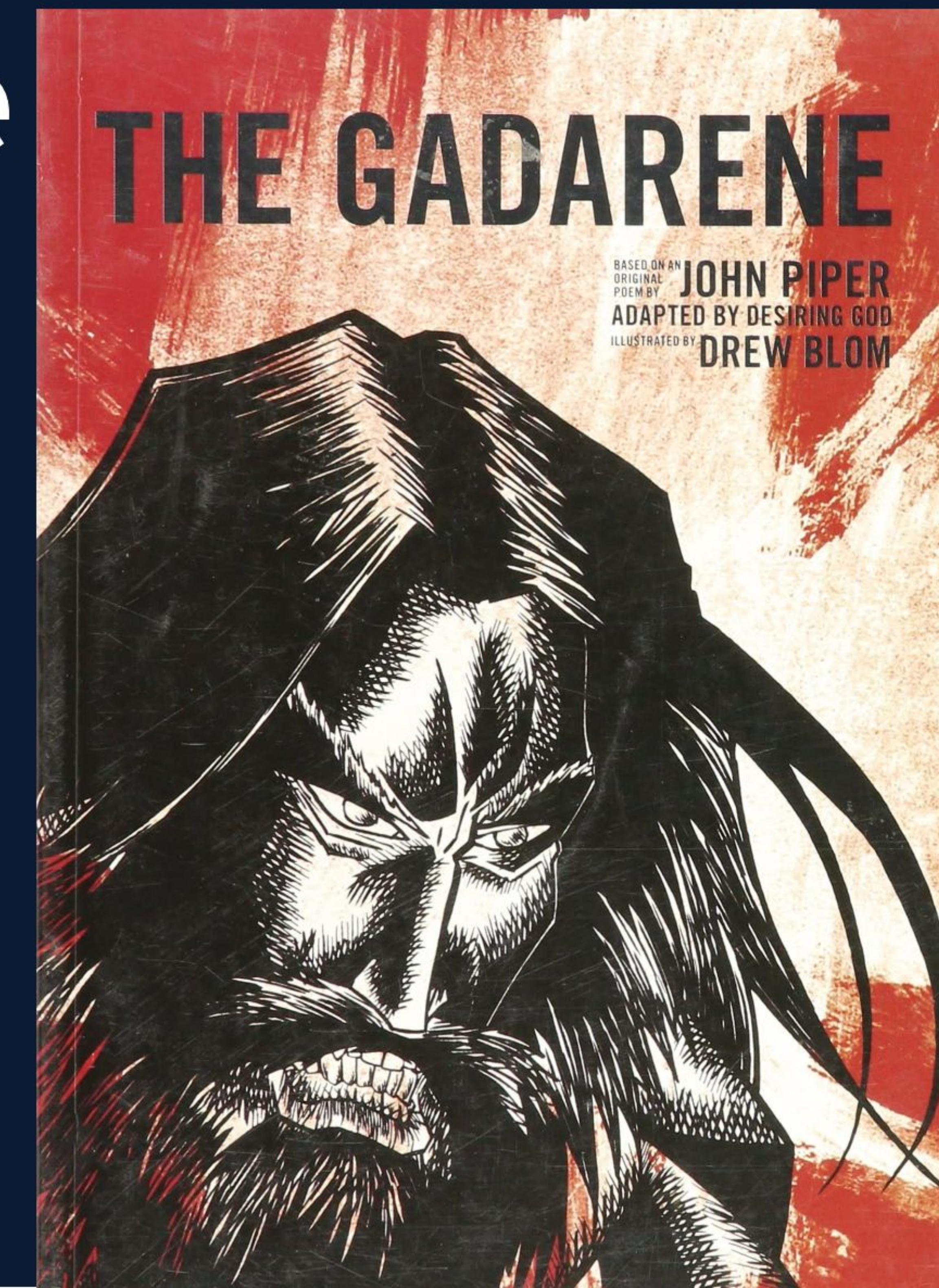
## THE GADARENE

BASED ON AN ORIGINAL POEM BY JOHN PIPER  
ADAPTED BY DESIRING GOD  
ILLUSTRATED BY DREW BLOM





Mk. 5:6–10 ...he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and **fell on his knees in front of him**. He shouted at the top of his voice, "What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? **In God's name don't torture me!**" For Jesus had said to him, "Come out of this man, you impure spirit!" Then Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" "**My name is Legion,**" he replied, "for **we are many.**" And **he begged Jesus again and again** not to send them out of the area.





# What does this have to do with Ephesians 6:13?

"Therefore **put on the full armor of God**, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be **able to stand your ground**, and after you have done everything, **to stand.**"





# Jesus' life was full of these kind of "stands"

The Gaderene

Satan in the Desert (Lk 4)

Attack on his mission (Mk 2-3, Mt 16, Mk 8)

Hypocritical Religion (Mt 23)

Corruption in worship (Jn 2)

His crucifixion and death





**God's plan is for you to Stand.**

**to take a stand, to make a  
stand, and to end standing.**

**Like Jesus the  
incarnate warrior.**





**However, we are only given one way **how:****

**“Put on the full armor of God.”**

**We should stand by putting on the full armor of God.**





# **1. Our spiritual life amounts to taking a stand**





# 4 “stands” in the passage:

**Take a stand** – deciding to fight

**Able to stand** – doing the fighting

**Still standing** – being standing after the fight

**Armoring up** – preparing by putting on the armaments supplied by God.





# "Conflict Realism"

against the 'Devil's' (hasatan) schemes (vs 11)

'flaming arrows of the evil one' (vs 16)

'Day of Evil' (vs 13)





**Jesus had conflict realism...**

**He knew he was fighting the Devil—not men**

**He expected deceptive, non-direct warfare  
that entangled civilians.**

**He expected a long and terrible fight.**





**We need conflict realism...**

**We know we are fighting Devils—not men**

**We expect deceptive, non-direct warfare that entangles civilians.**

**We expect a long and terrible fight.**





**We should stand by putting on  
the full armor of God.**

**Everything should be  
structured for perseverance.**





**2. We can only make that stand  
with the full armor of God**





## Eph. 6:10–14 NIV

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can *take your stand* against the devil's schemes... Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may *be able to stand* your ground, and after you have done everything, *to stand*.

*Stand firm* then...

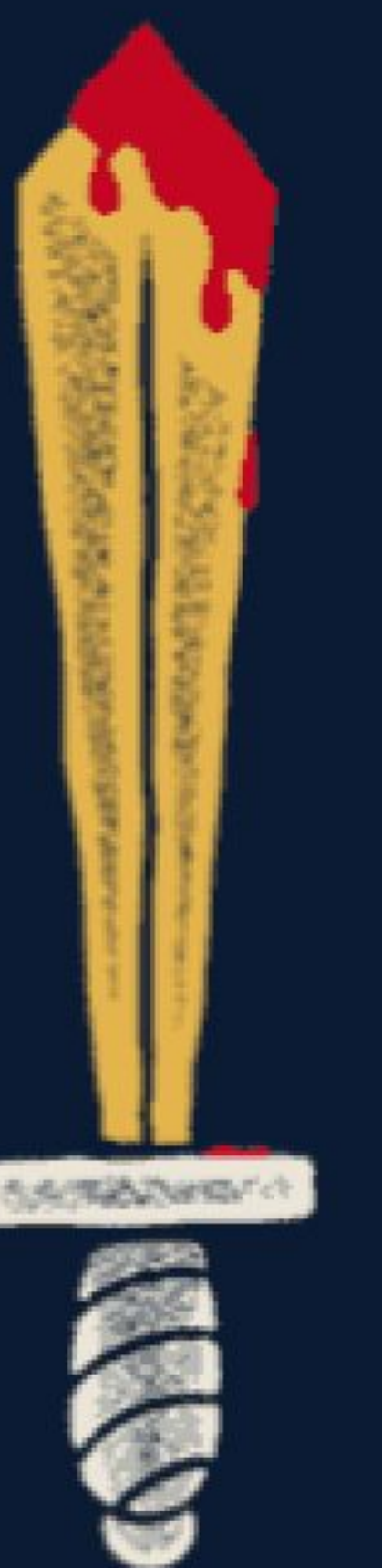




**2 alternatives:**

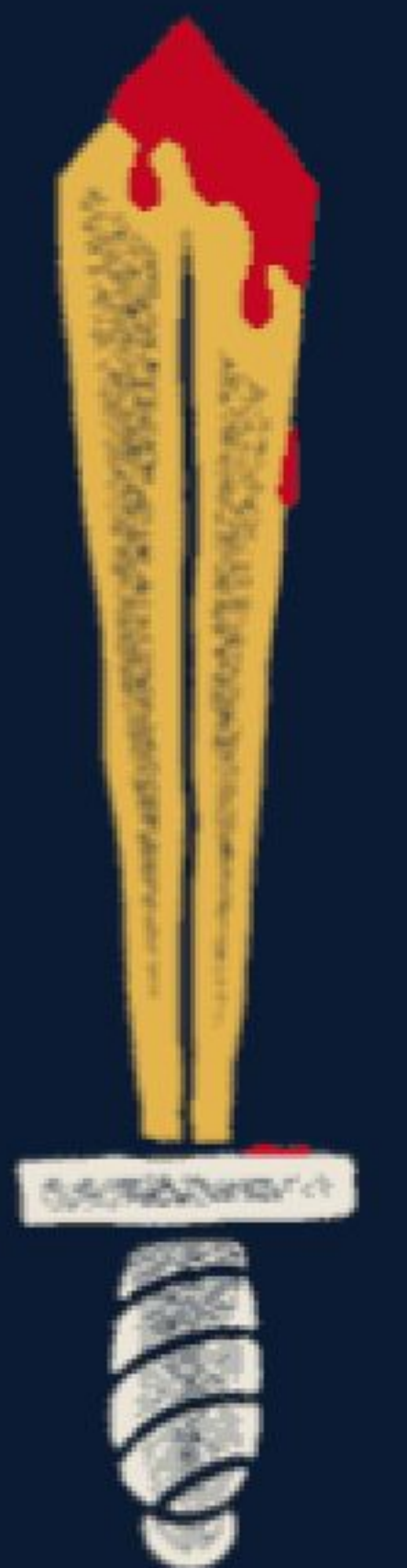
**God could have made us  
fight for ourselves.**

**You could decide to fight  
on your own.**





# 2 ways to win a fight:





# You need the "Full" armor

"Panoply"  
pan-(h)opli  
"all the armor"

Greek Hoplite  
"soldier in full armor"  
(vs. Peltast)





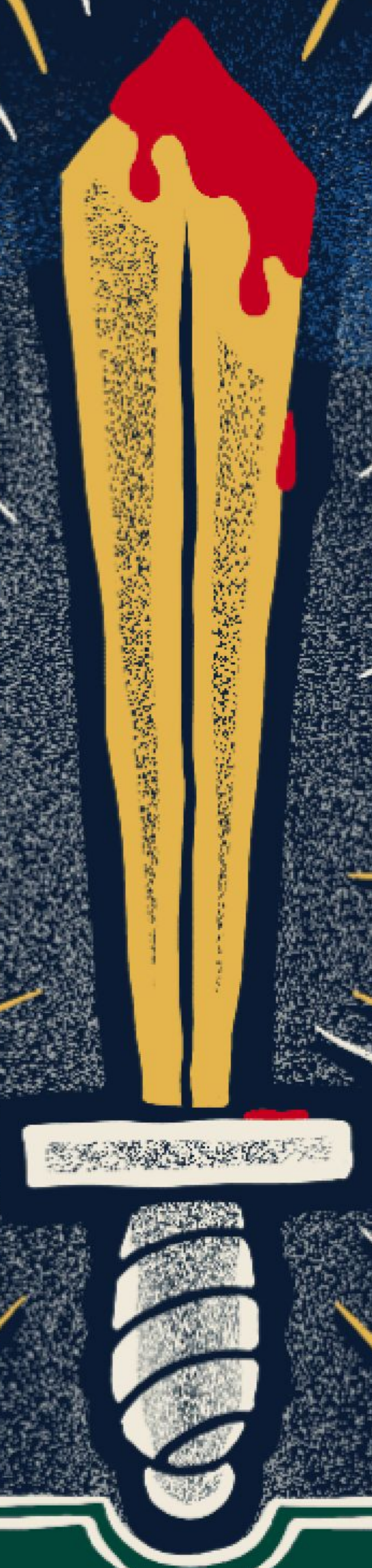
**God's plan is for you to Stand.**

**to take a stand, to make a  
stand, and to end standing.**

**Like Jesus the  
incarnate warrior.**







J E S U S

The Incarnate Warrior

