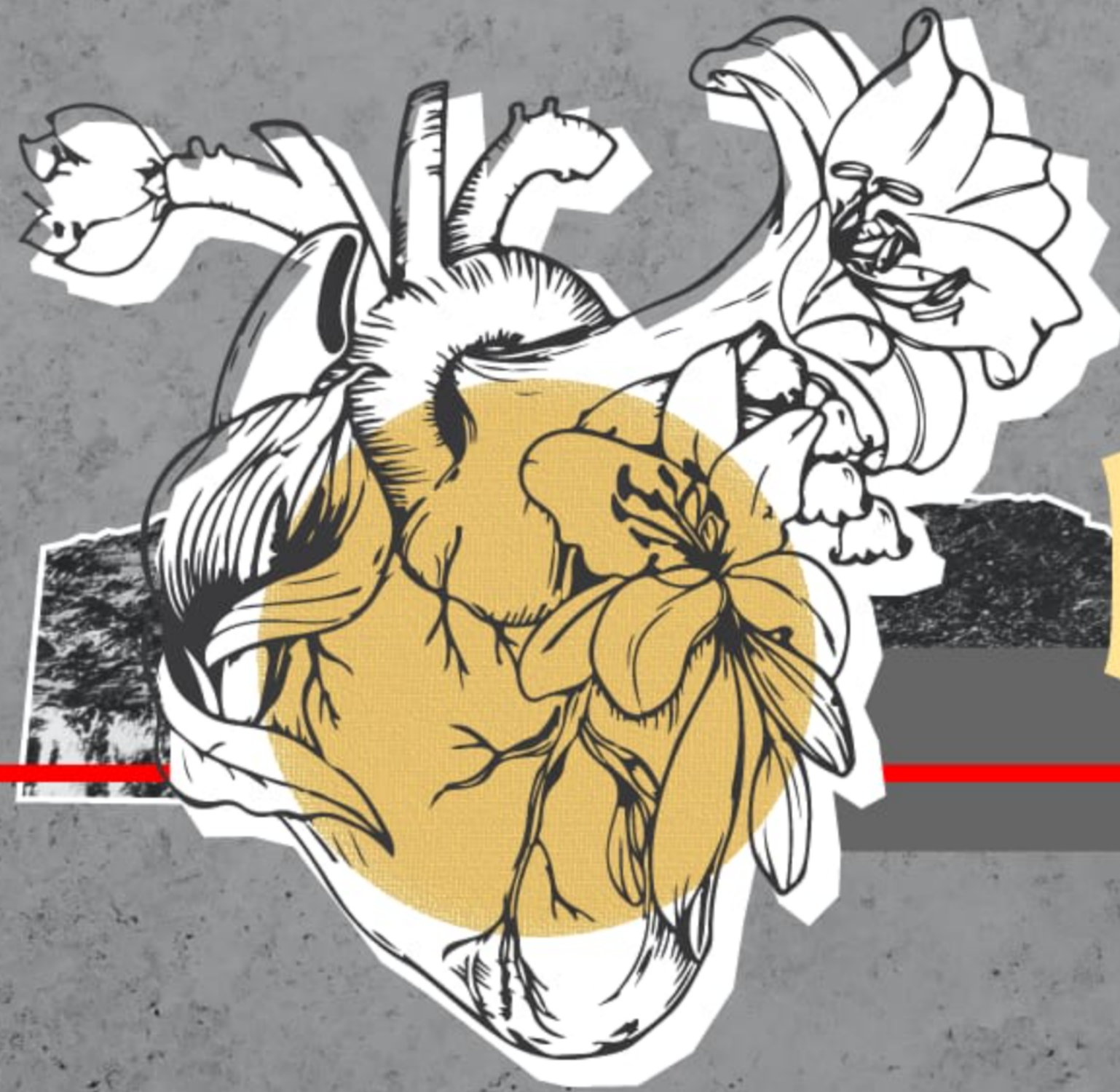




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EZEKIEL 43:1 – 11



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FINDING SPIRITUAL GRAVITY
IN THE GLORY OF GOD

Ezekiel 37 – 48 vs Revelation 19 – 21

Resurrection

First Resurrection

New King David

King Jesus

Gog and Magog

Gog and Magog

Great Battle

Great Battle

Birds Feast

Birds Feast

New Temple

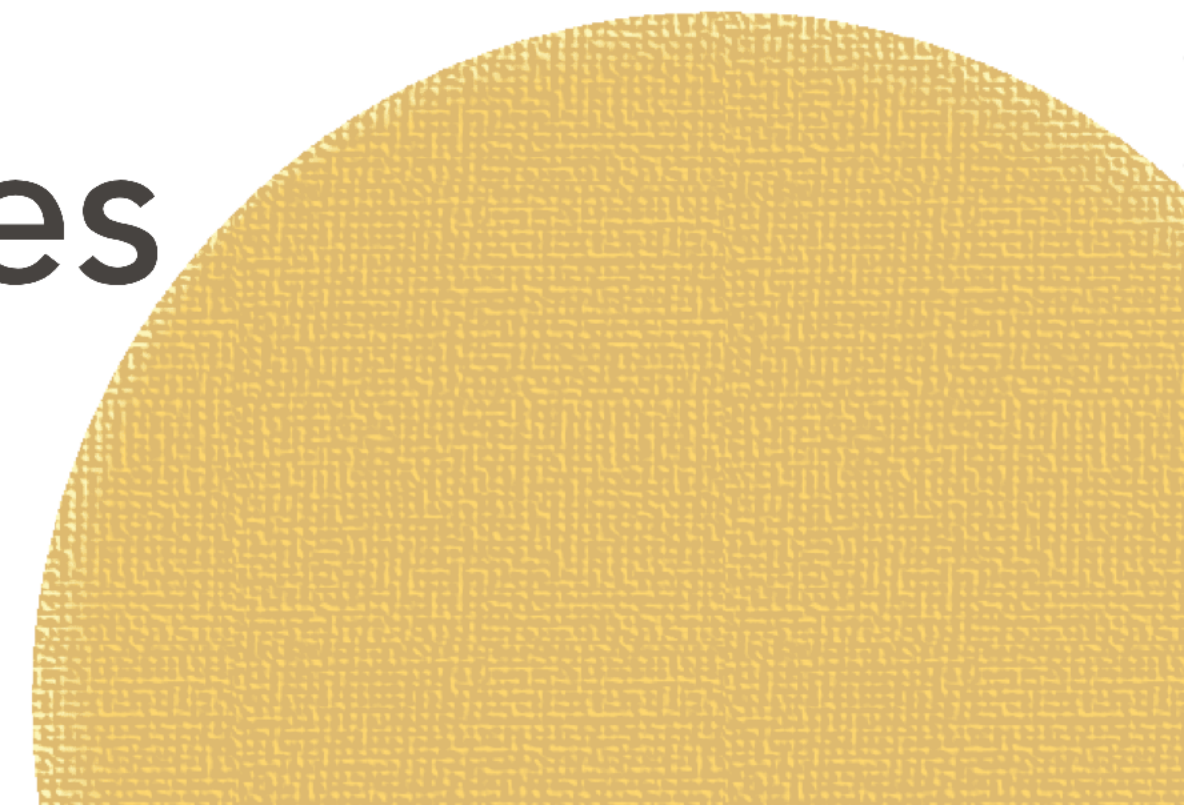
New City

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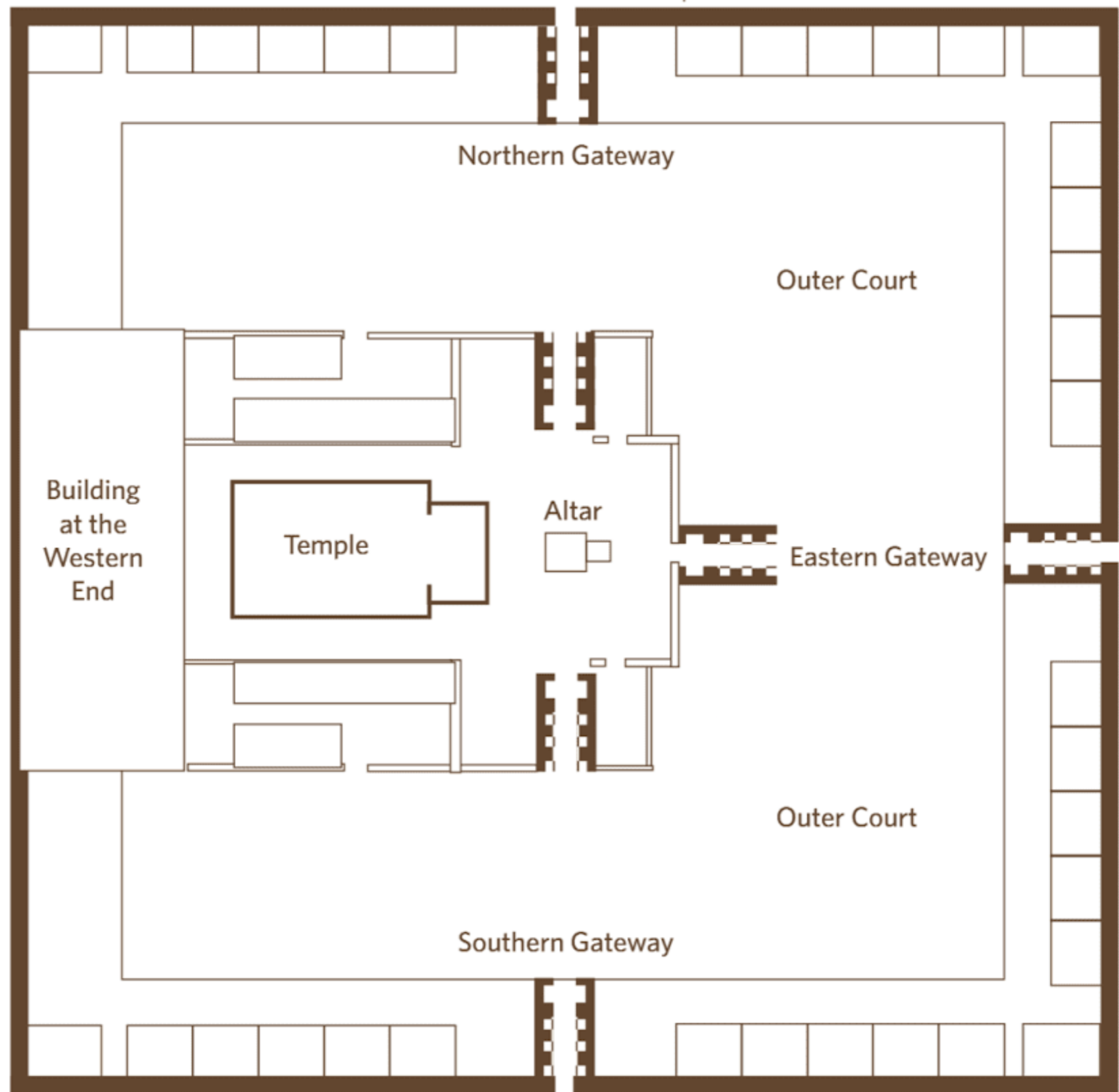
River of Life

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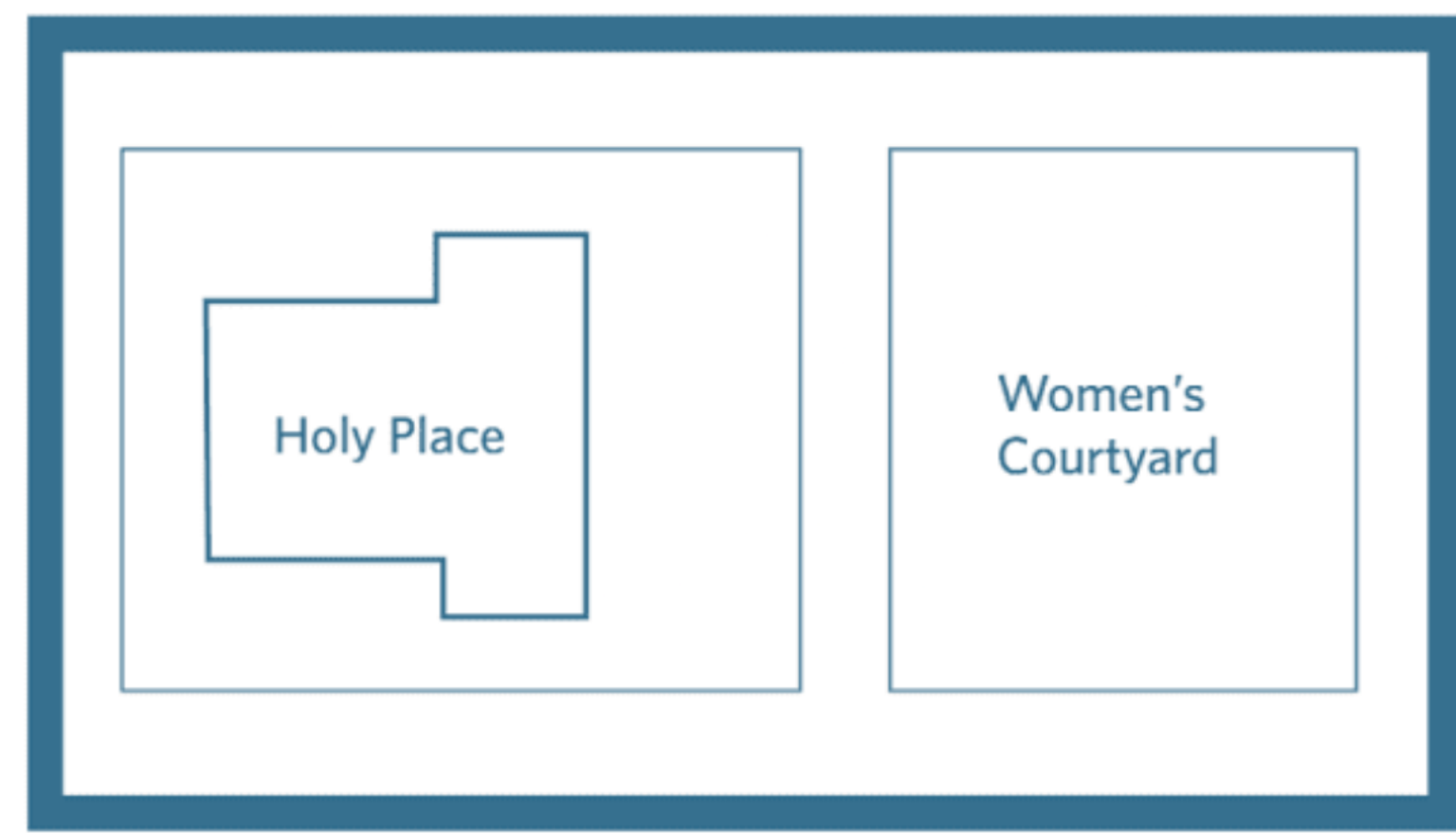


Once and Future Temple

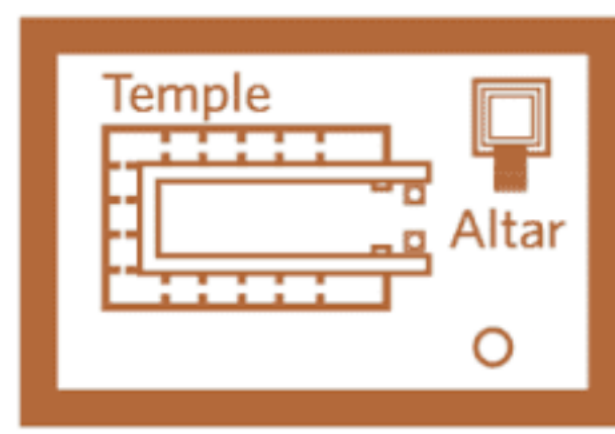
500 x 500 cubits | 750 x 750 ft **EZEKIEL'S TEMPLE**



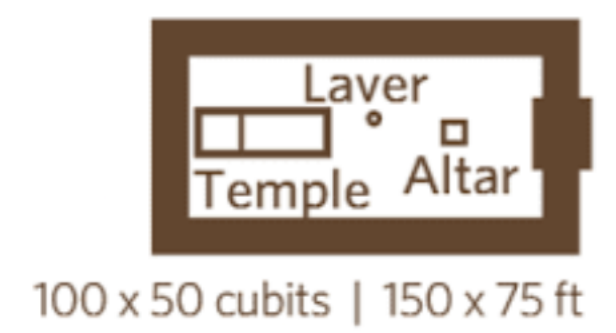
HEROD'S TEMPLE



SOLOMON'S TEMPLE



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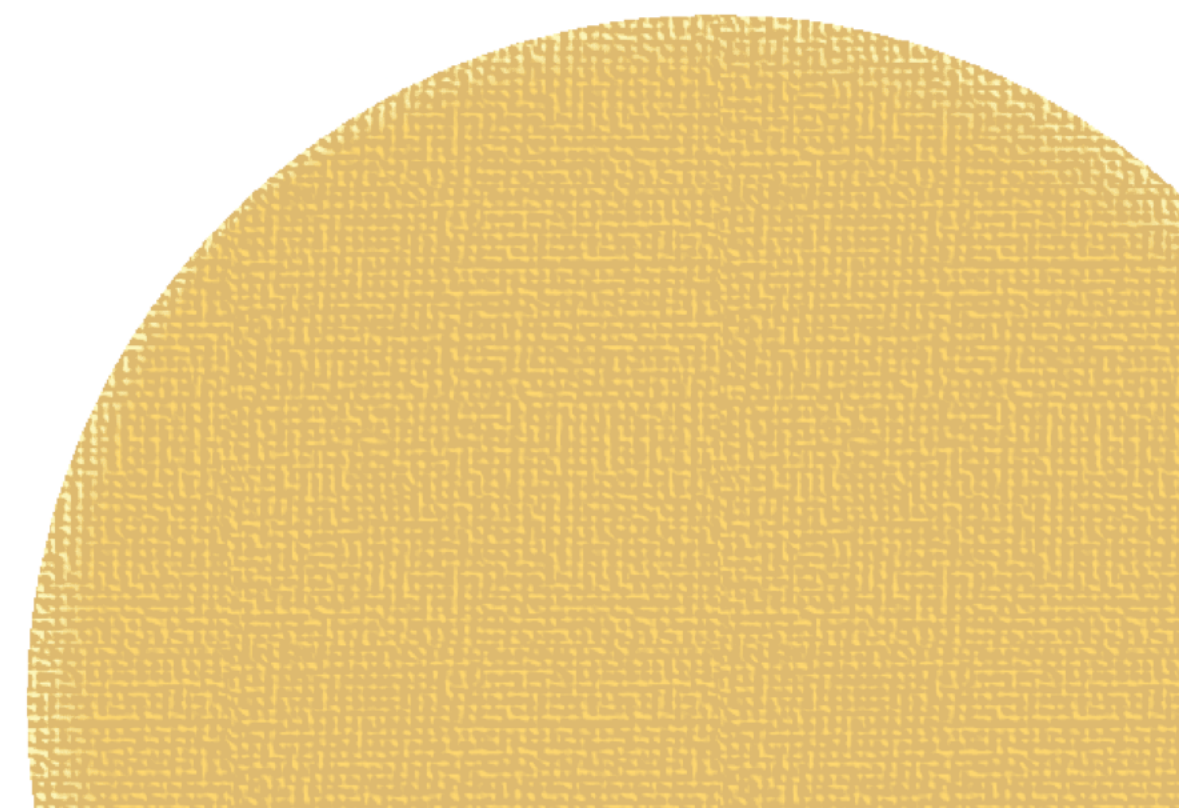


100 x 50 cubits | 150 x 75 ft

AMERICAN FOOTBALL FIELD



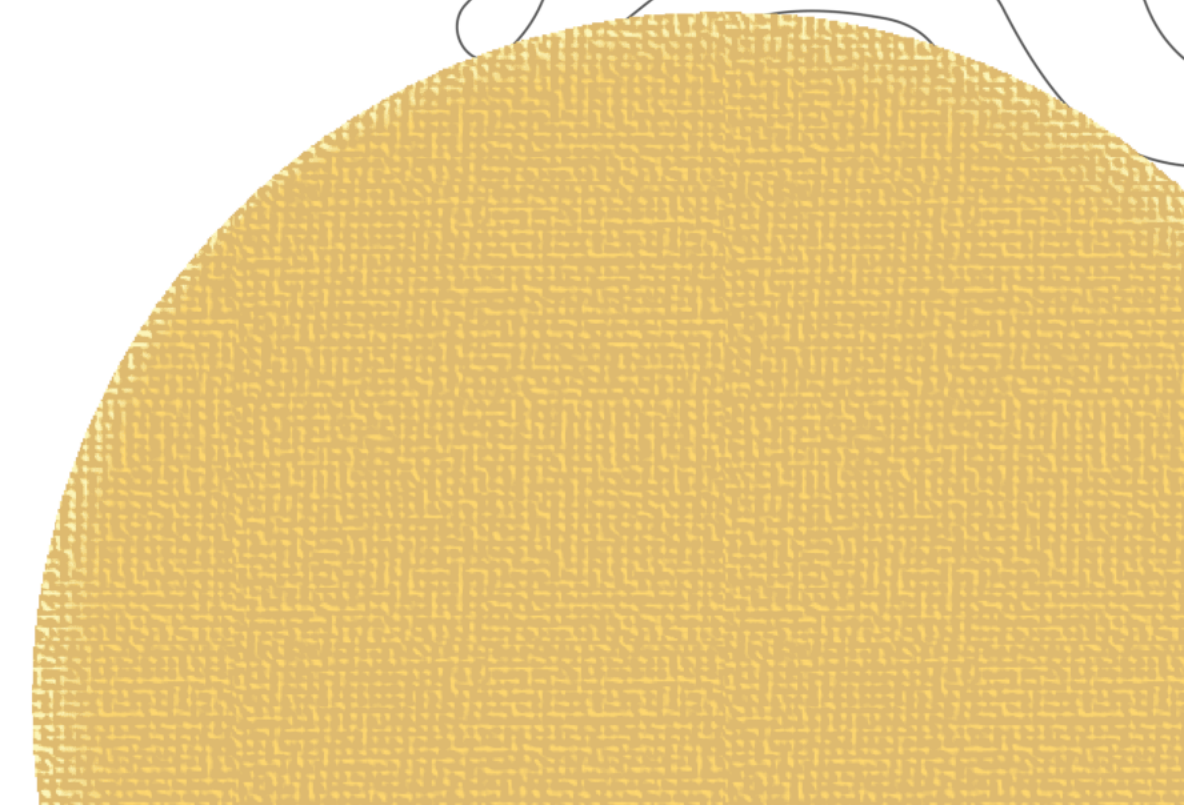
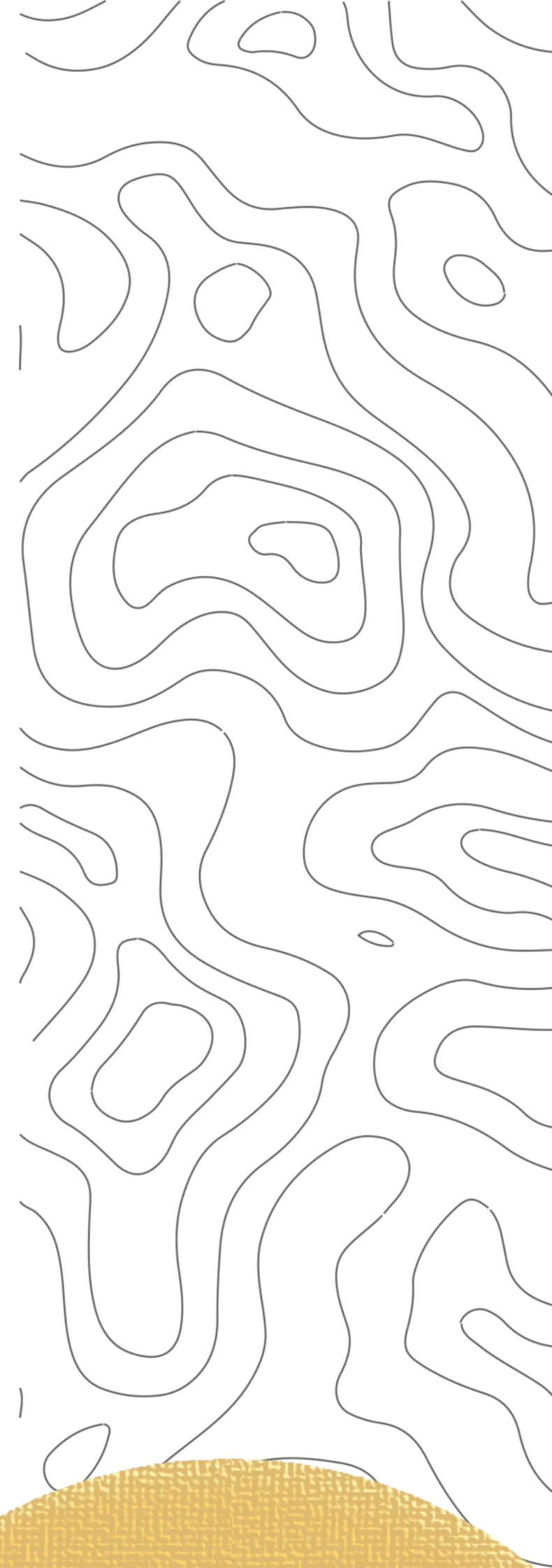
100 x 50 yards | 300 x 150 ft



We look for an excuse to leave.
God looks for a way to return.



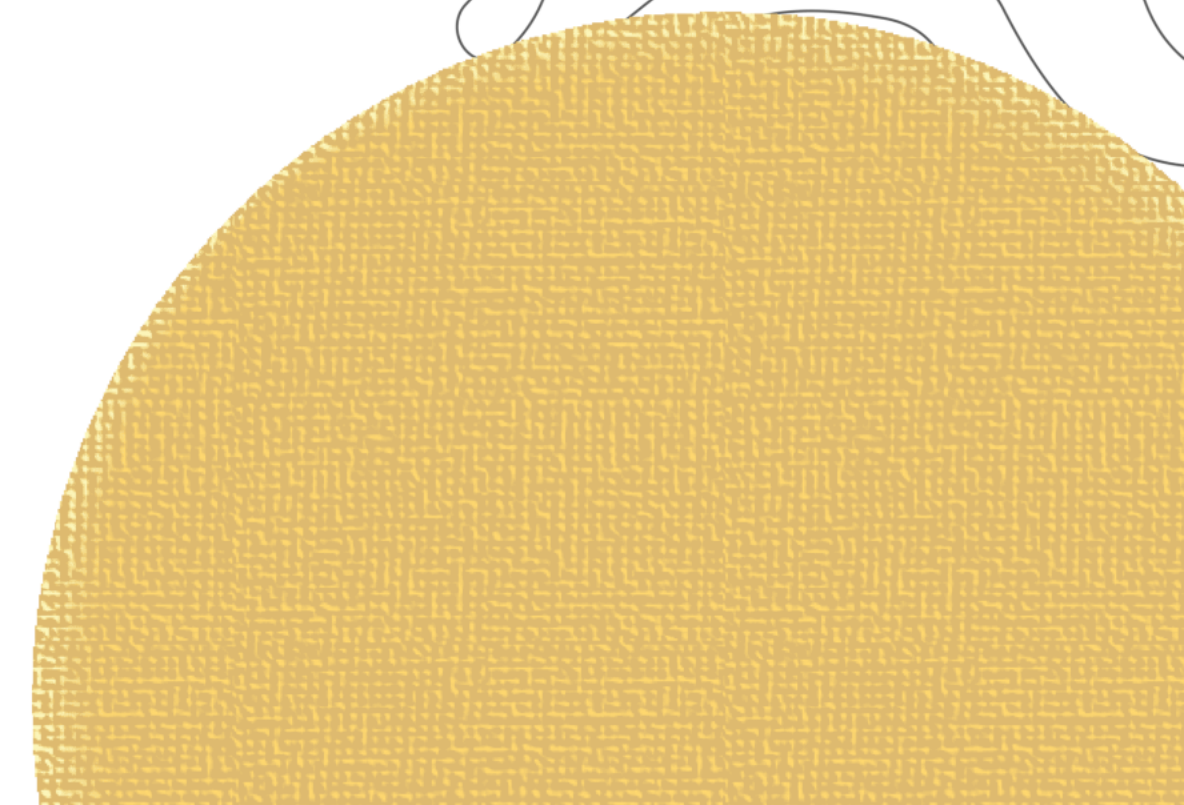
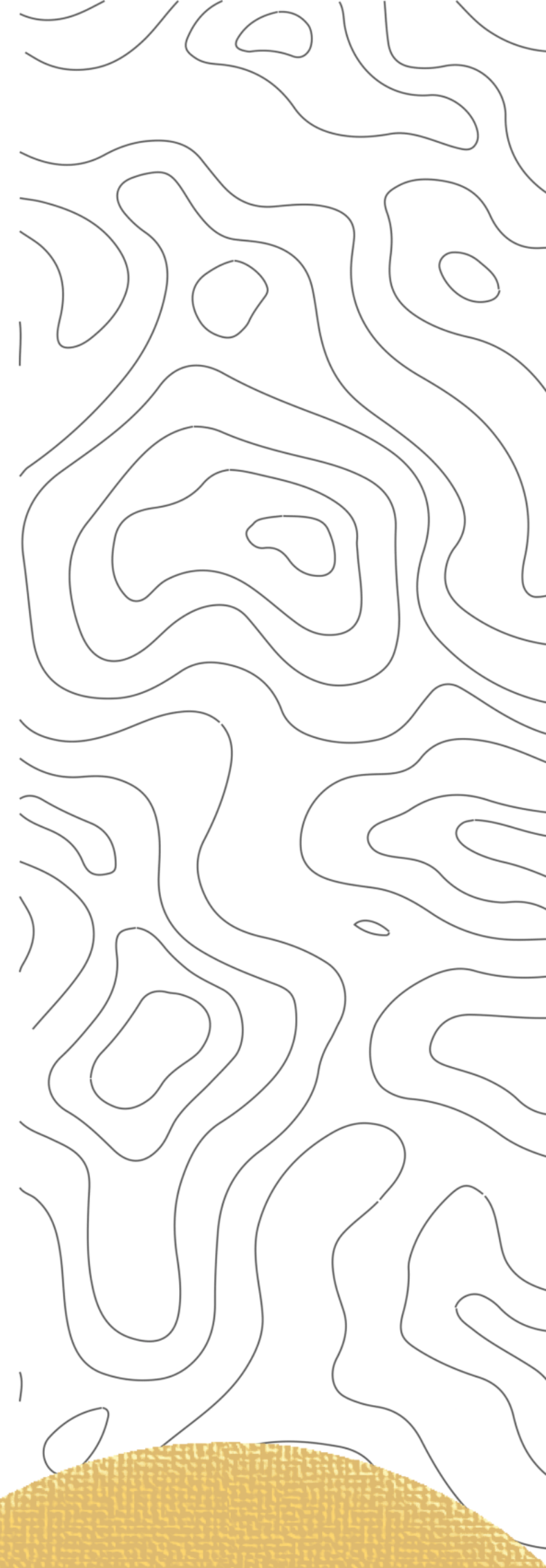
Are we things to be abandoned
or a people to be loved?



I-Thou vs. I-It



(This means God is a person too.)



**Everything is the
story of the departure
and return of God's
glory.**

Chapter 1 – 3

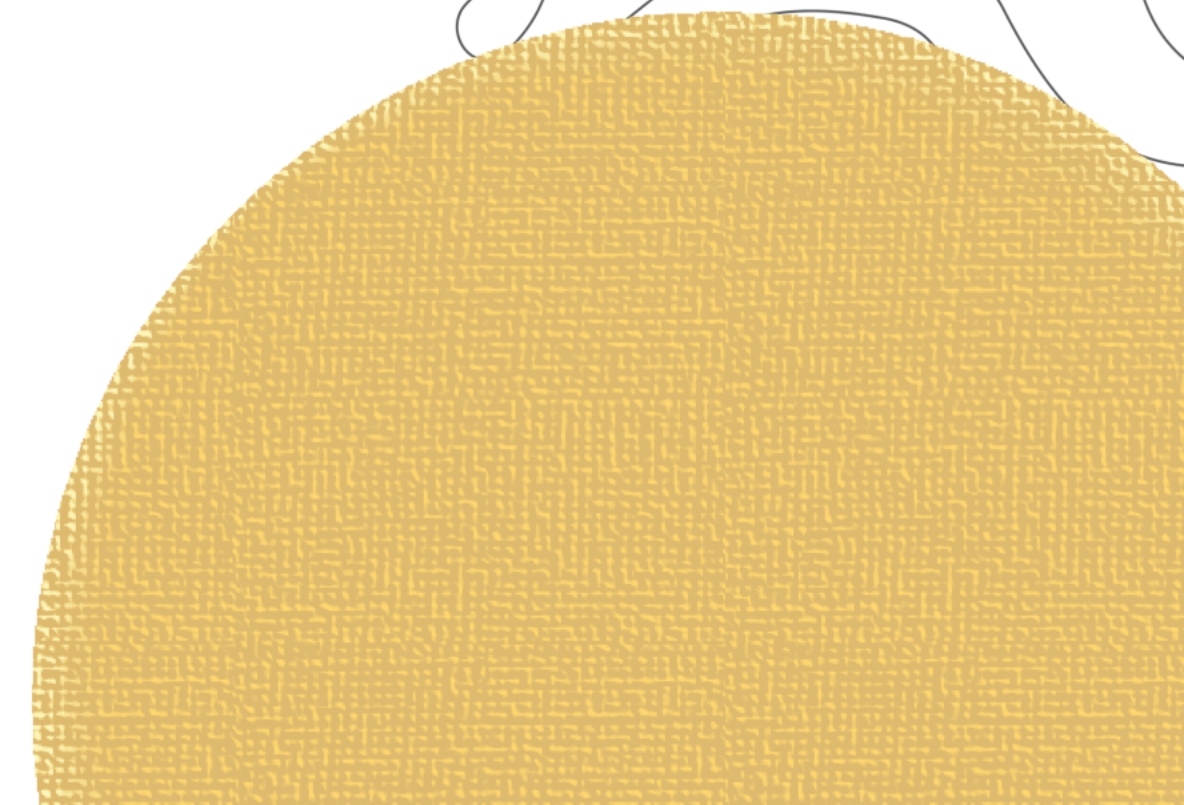
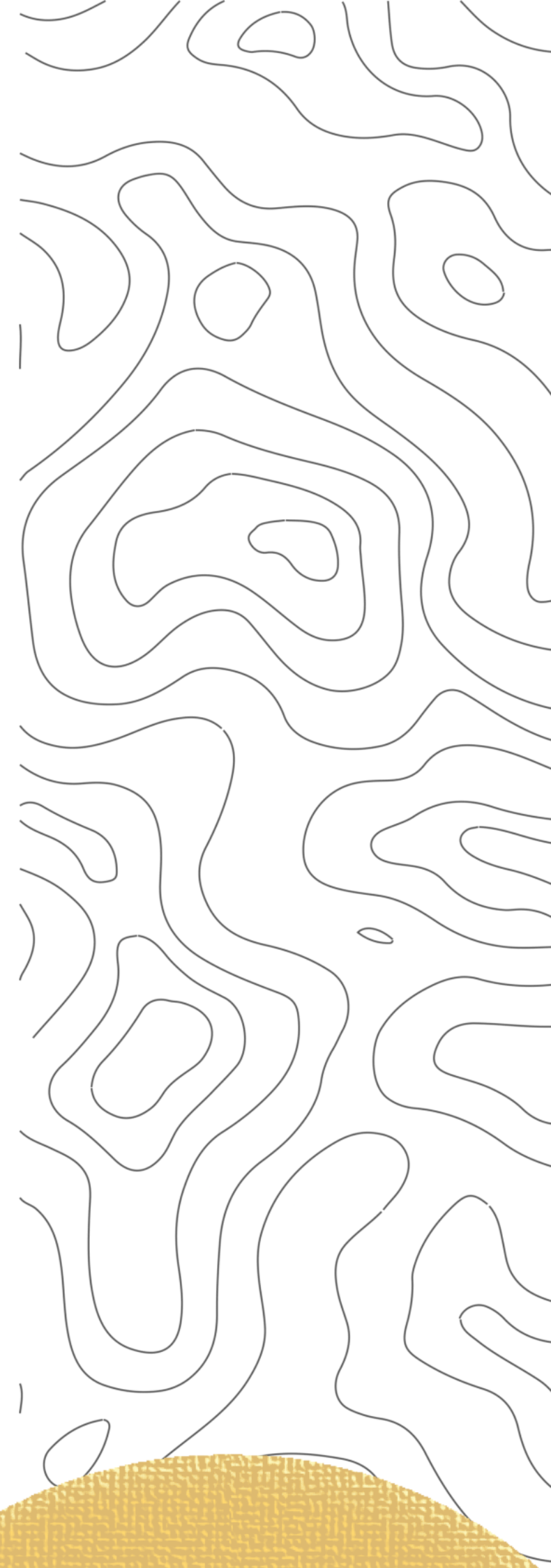
God's Glory shows up in the wilderness

Chapter 10 – 11

God's Glory leaves the corrupt temple

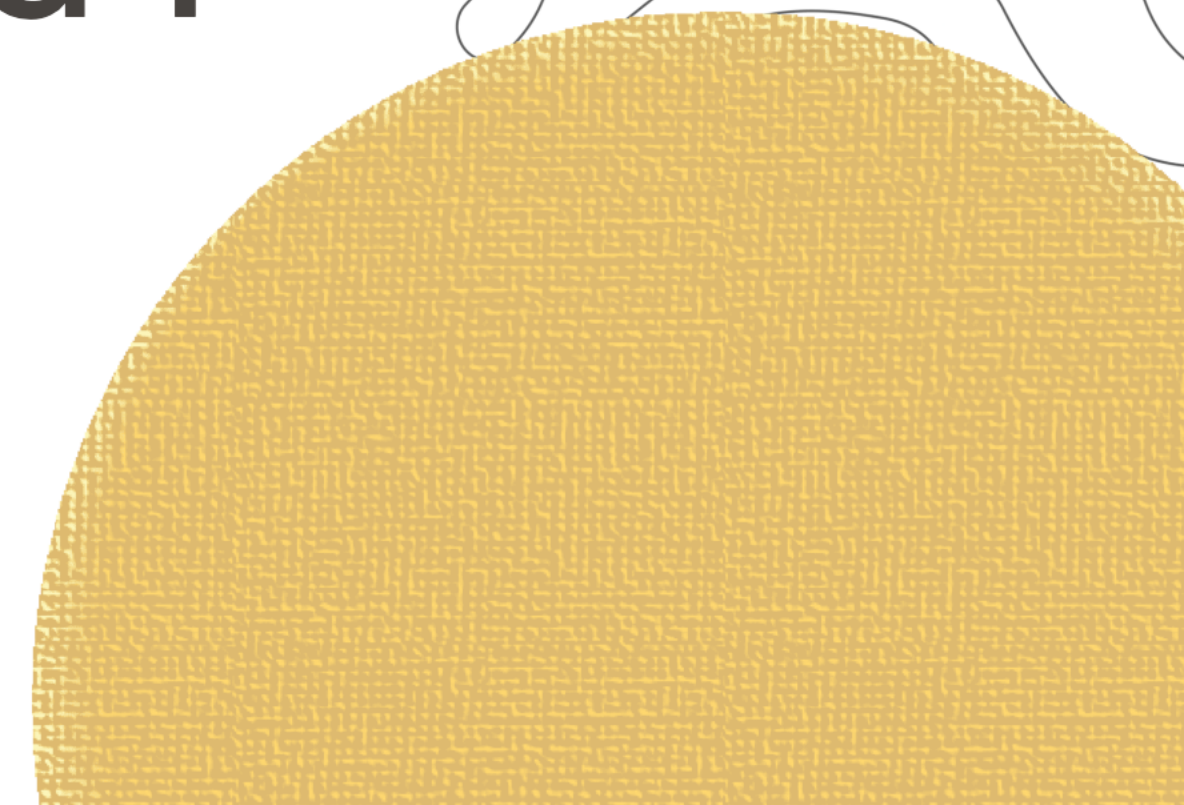
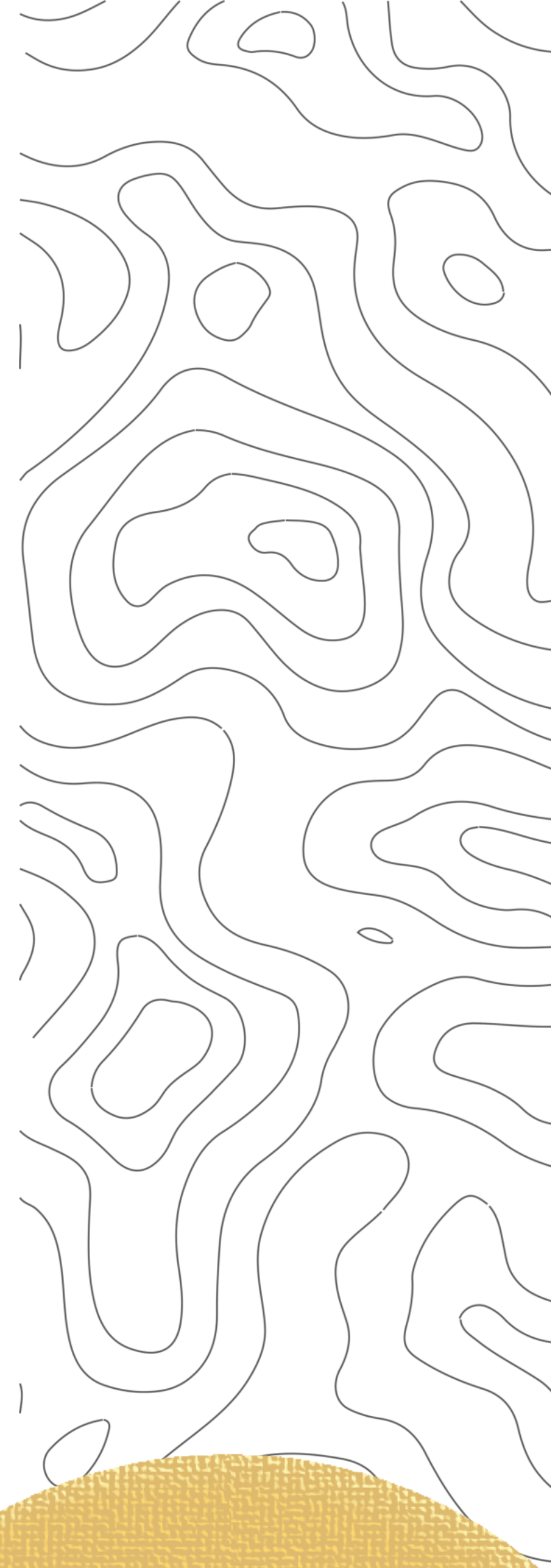
Chapter 33

God's Glory is against Jerusalem
and it falls



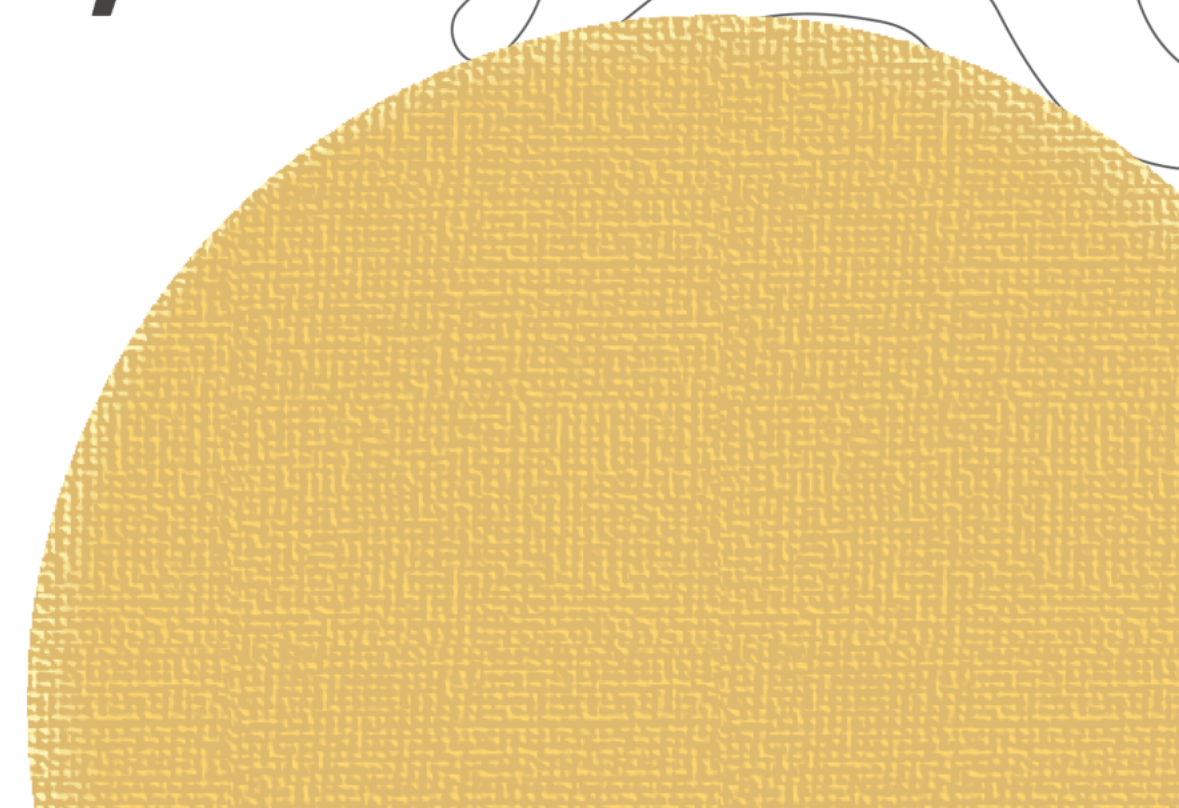
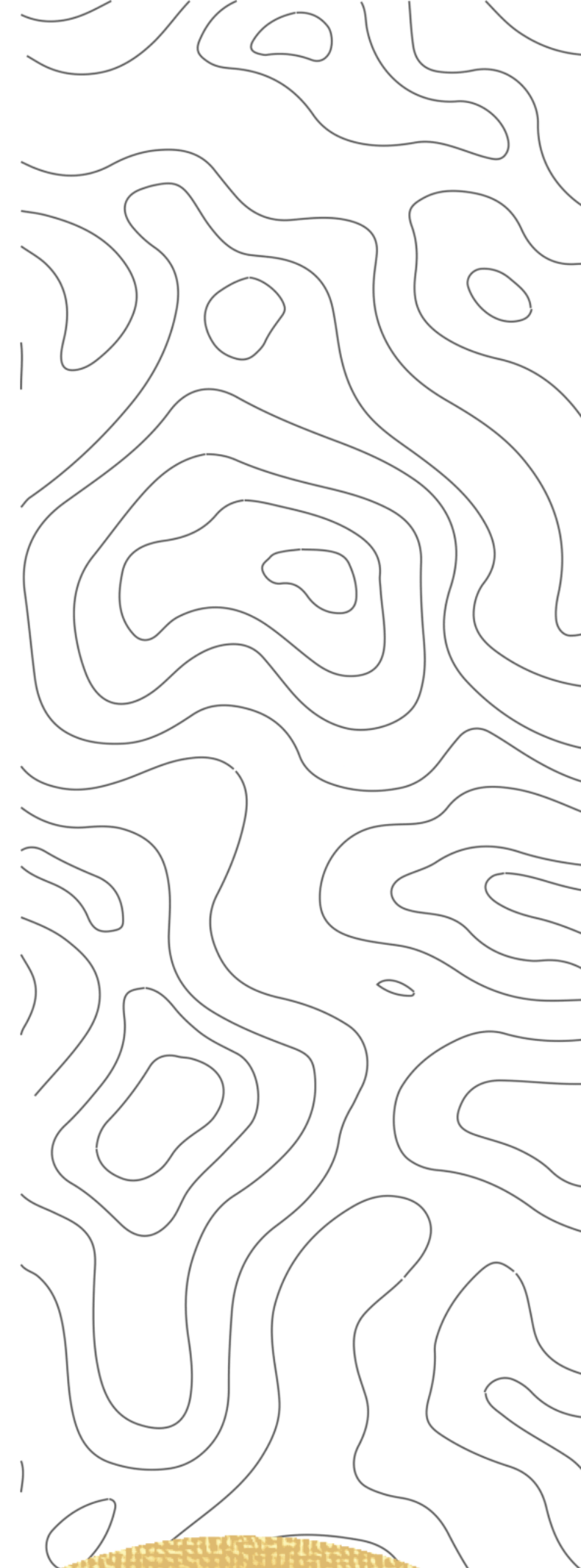
Ezekiel 43:1 – 7

“Then the man brought me to the gate facing east, and I saw the glory of the God of Israel coming from the east. His voice was like the roar of rushing waters, and the land was radiant with his glory. The vision I saw was like the vision I had seen when he came to destroy the city and like the visions I had seen by the Kebar River, and I fell facedown. **The glory of the LORD entered the temple through the gate facing east...**”



Ezekiel 43:1 – 7

... "Then the Spirit lifted me up and brought me into the inner court, and the glory of the LORD filled the temple. While the man was standing beside me, I heard someone speaking to me from inside the temple. He said: 'Son of man, this is the place of my throne and the place for the soles of my feet.'"



**1. God's mind is focused
on the forever.
Ours on the present.**

Ezekiel 43:6 – 9

"While the man was standing beside me, I heard someone speaking to me from inside the temple. He said: 'Son of man, this is the place of my throne and the place for the soles of my feet. This is where I will live among the Israelites forever... Now let them put away from me their prostitution and the lifeless idols of their kings, and I will live among them forever.'"

Ezekiel 37:24 – 28

"'My servant David will be king over them, and they will all have one shepherd. They will follow my laws and be careful to keep my decrees. They will live in the land I gave to my servant Jacob, the land where your fathers lived. They and their children and their children's children will live there forever, and David my servant will be their prince forever."

Ezekiel 37:24 – 28 (cont.)

"I will make a covenant of peace with them; it will be an everlasting covenant. I will establish them and increase their numbers, and I will put my sanctuary among them forever. My dwelling place will be with them; I will be their God, and they will be my people. Then the nations will know that I the LORD make Israel holy, when my sanctuary is among them forever."

2 Peter 3:3 – 10

First of all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. They will say, "Where is this 'coming' he promised? Ever since our fathers died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation." But they deliberately forget that long ago by God's word the heavens existed and the earth was formed out of water and by water. By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed.

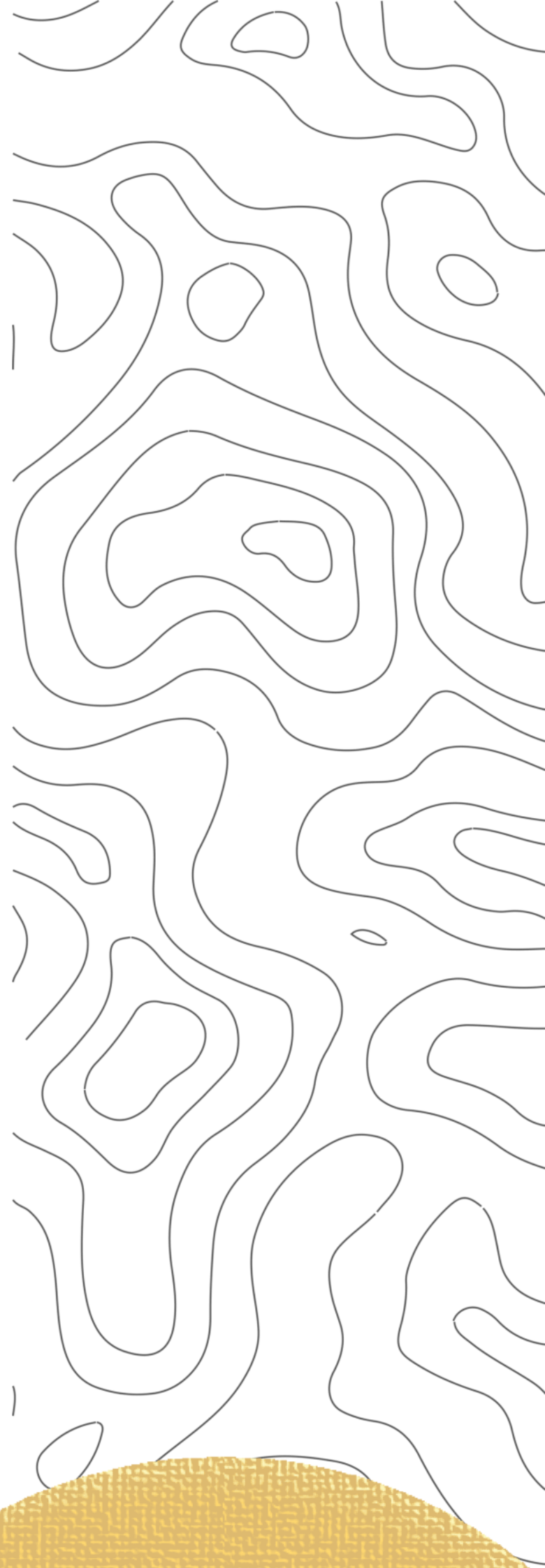
2 Peter 3:3 – 10 (cont.)

By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men. But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: **With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day.** The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief.

What does this mean?

**Waiting forces us to either have
faith, or deny it.**

**To look at the world as God does,
or look away from God altogether.**



2. It's going to be stranger than we're expecting, but according to promise.

Are They Symbols?



Are they directions?

Ezekiel 43:10 – 11

"Son of man, **describe** the temple to the people of Israel, that they may be ashamed of their sins. Let them consider the **plan**, and if they are ashamed of all they have done, make known to them the **design** of the temple— its **arrangement, its exits and entrances**— its **whole design** and all its regulations and laws. Write these down before them so that **they may be faithful to its design** and follow all its regulations."

What is the Promise?

God's Presence and Glory

Productivity and Gertility

Franchisement

Justice

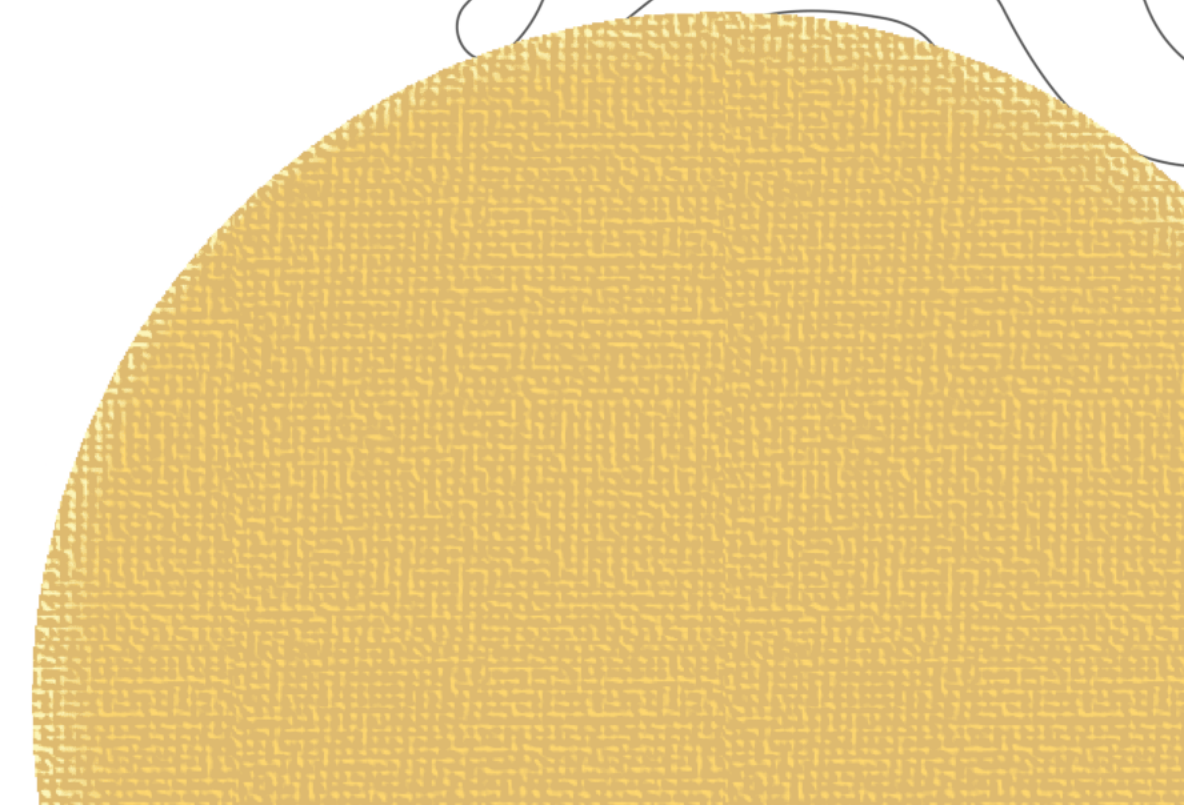
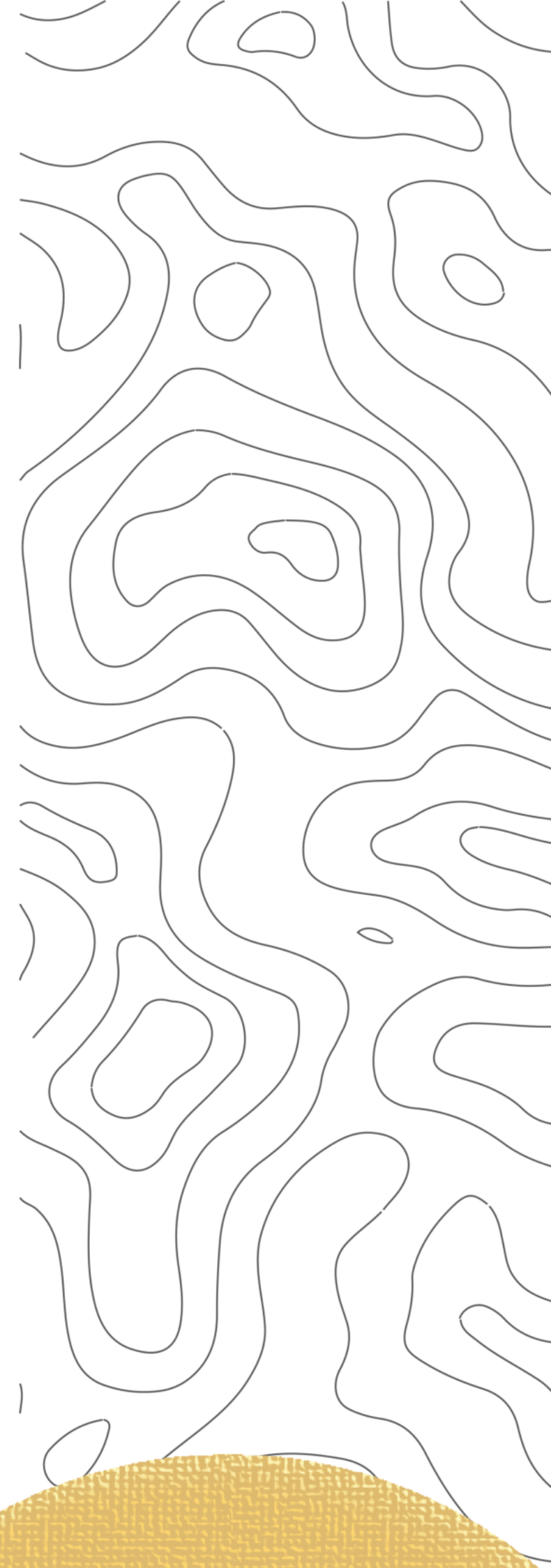
Structure

Celebrations

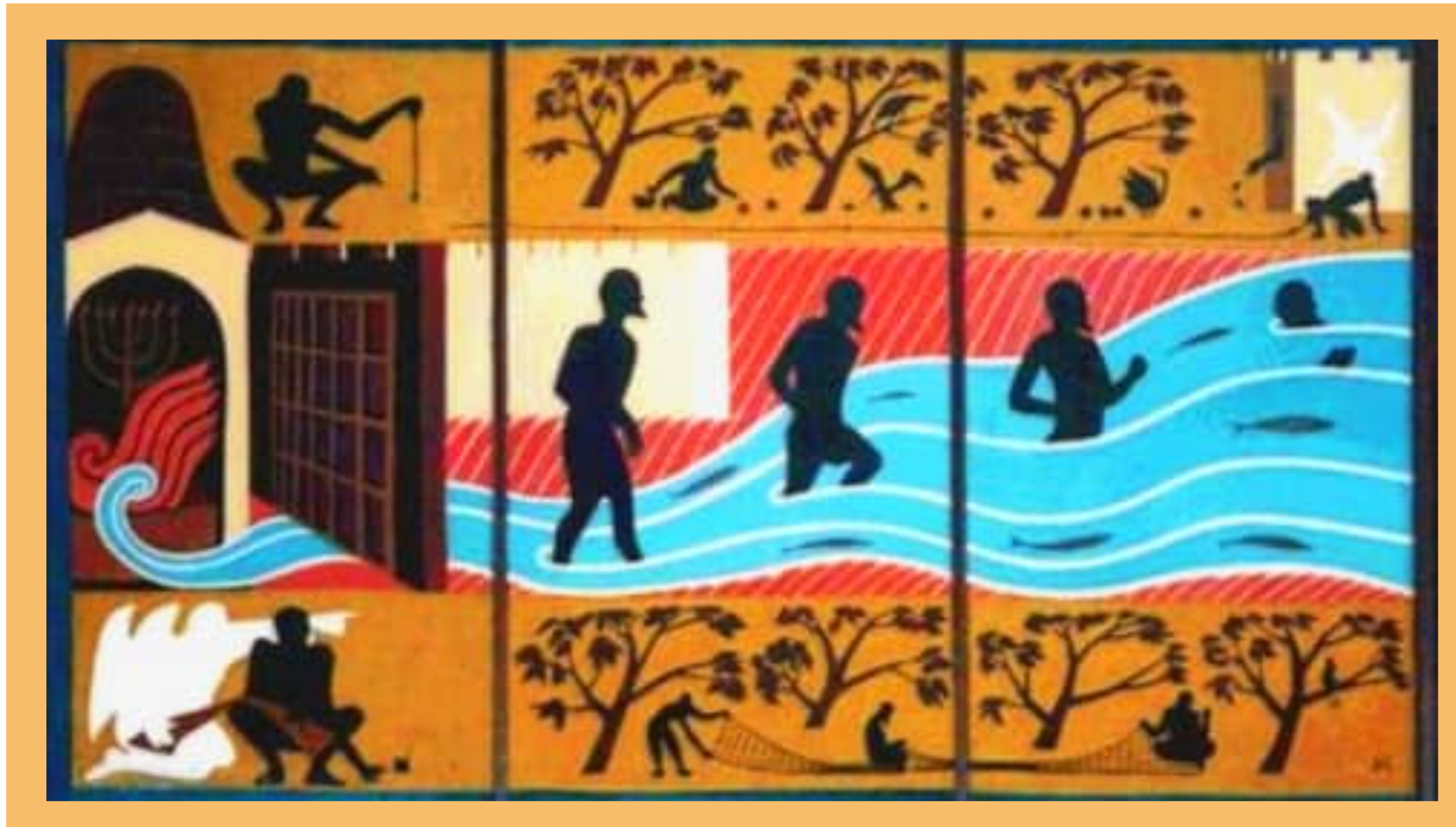
Humility and Integrity in Leadership

Forgiveness and Reconciliation

Liberty and Security



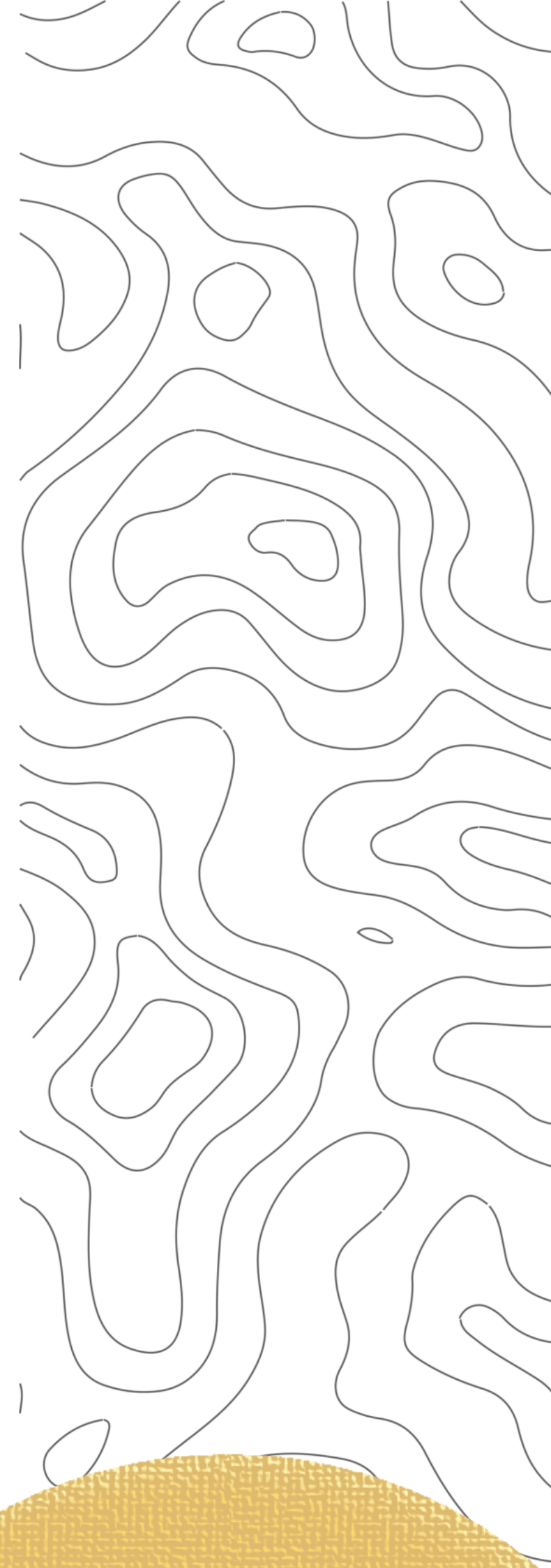
But how do we become part of the people of this promise?



**3. God will suffer abuse,
but he will not finally
accept it.**

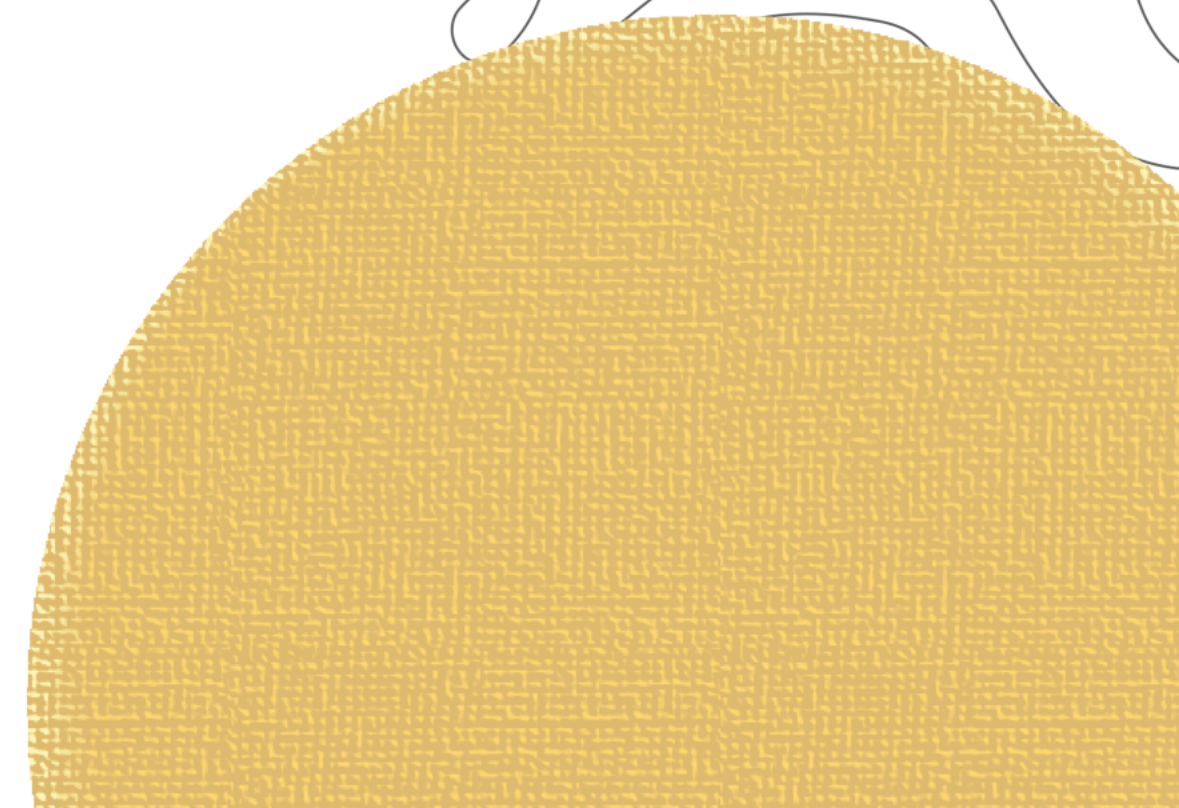
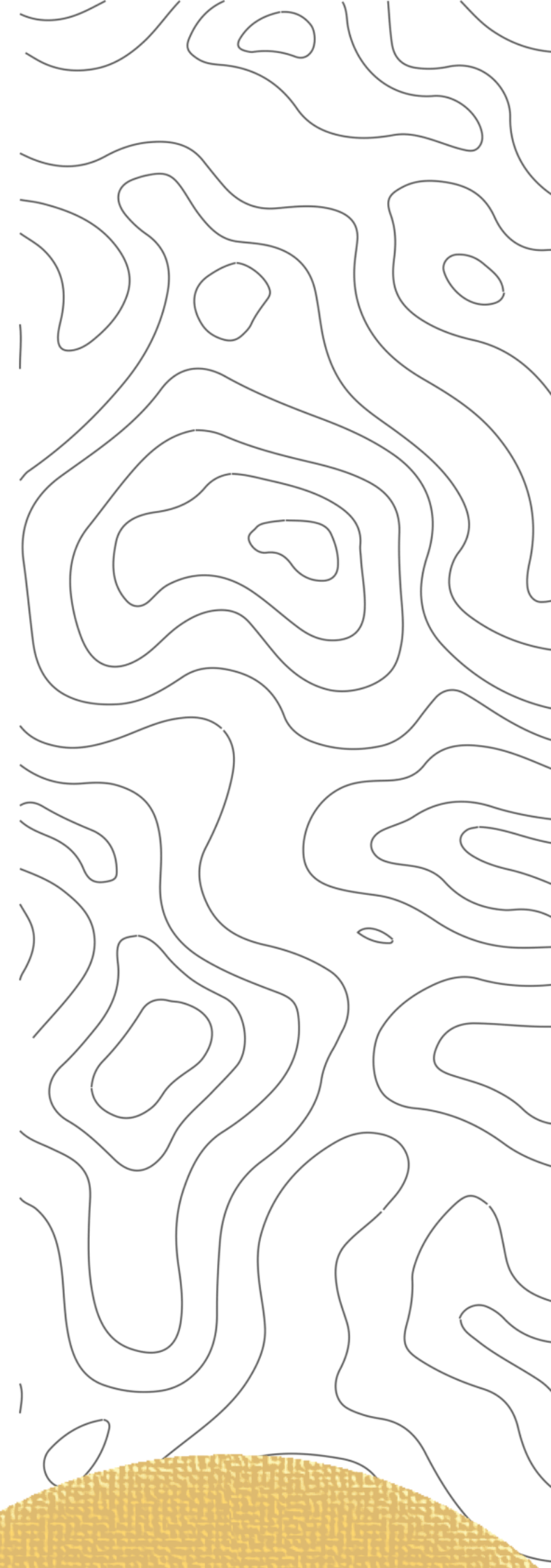
Ezekiel 43:7 – 9

He said: "Son of man, this is the place of my throne and the place for the soles of my feet. This is where I will live among the Israelites forever. The house of Israel will never again defile my holy name—neither they nor their kings— by their prostitution and the lifeless idols of their kings at their high places. When they placed their threshold next to my...



Ezekiel 43:7 – 9

...threshold and their doorposts beside my doorposts, with only a wall between me and them, they defiled my holy name by their detestable practices. So I destroyed them in my anger. Now let them put away from me their prostitution and the lifeless idols of their kings, and I will live among them forever.

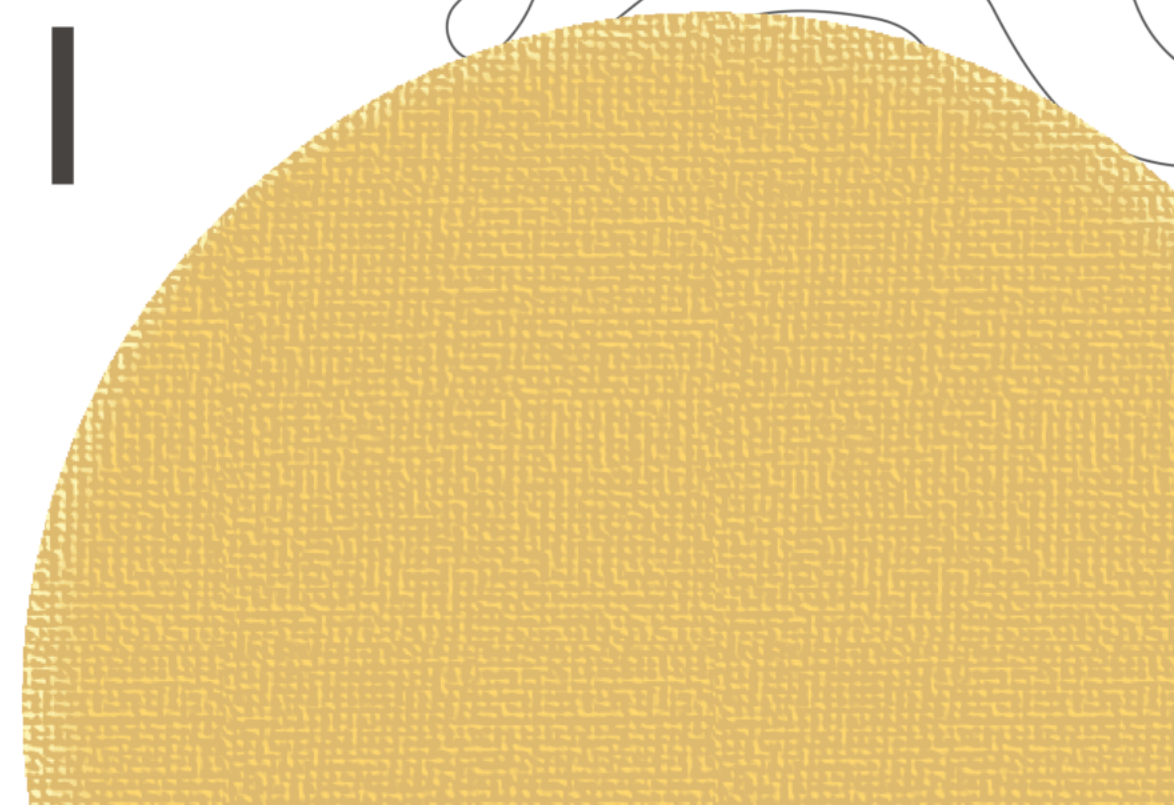
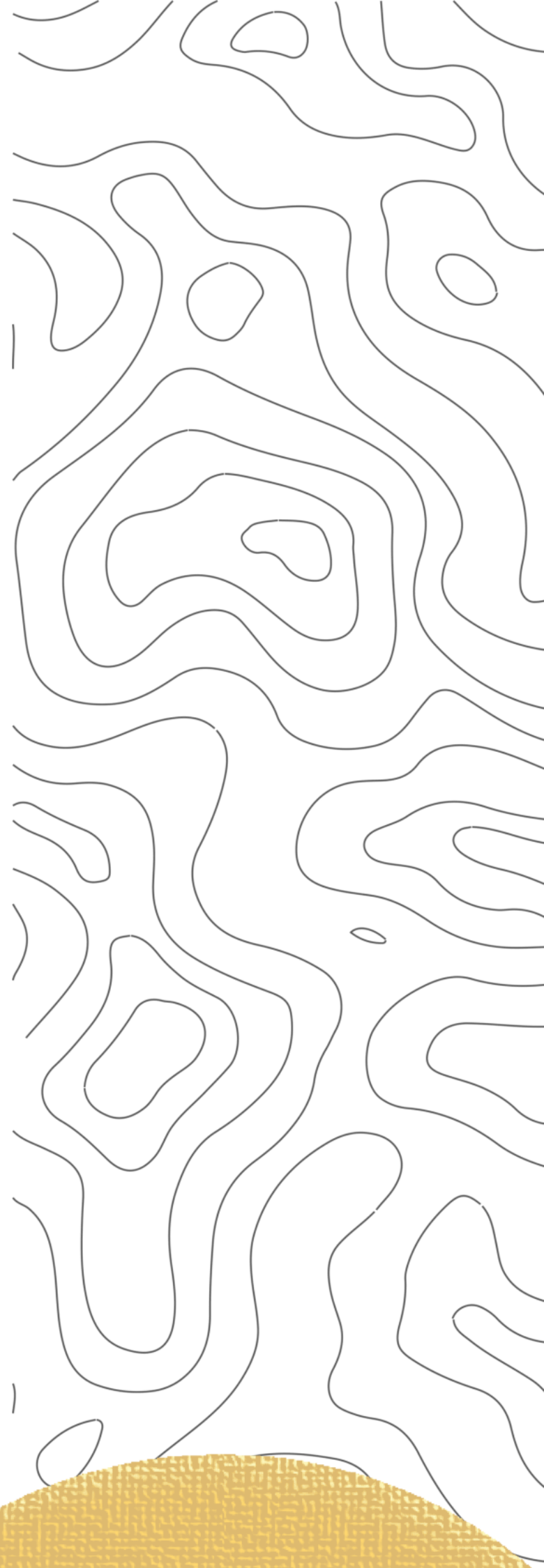




Luke 13

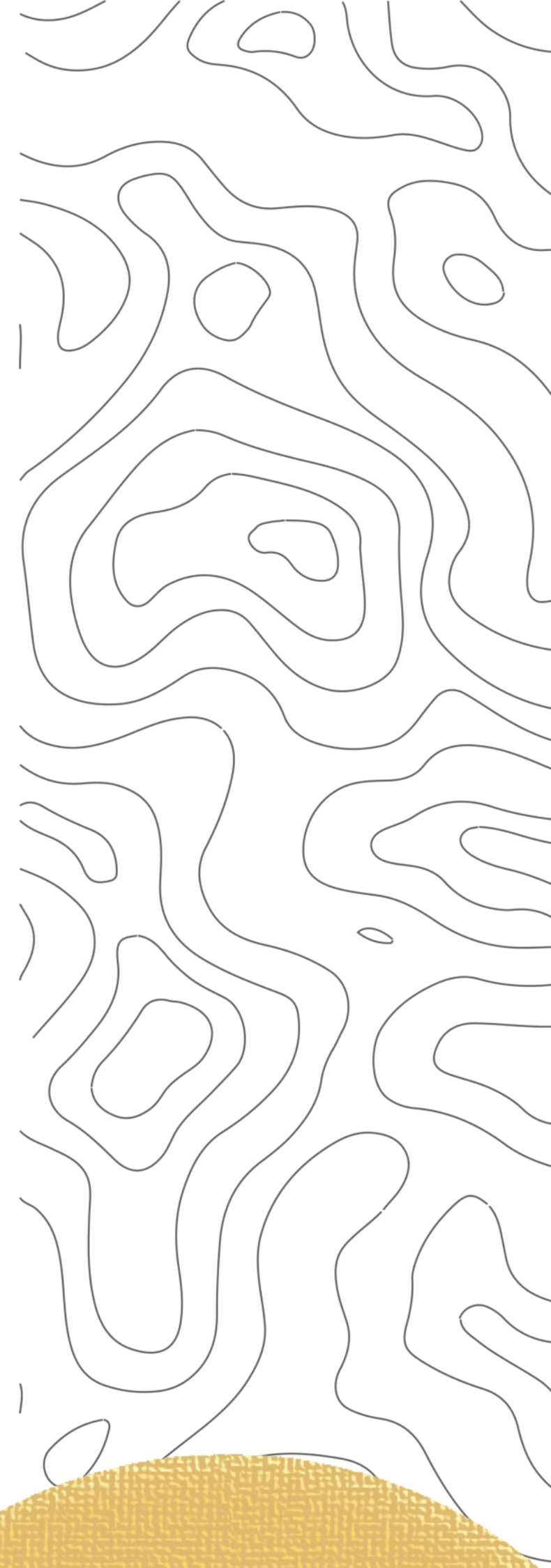
Luke 13:2 – 9

Jesus answered, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way? I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them-- do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish..."



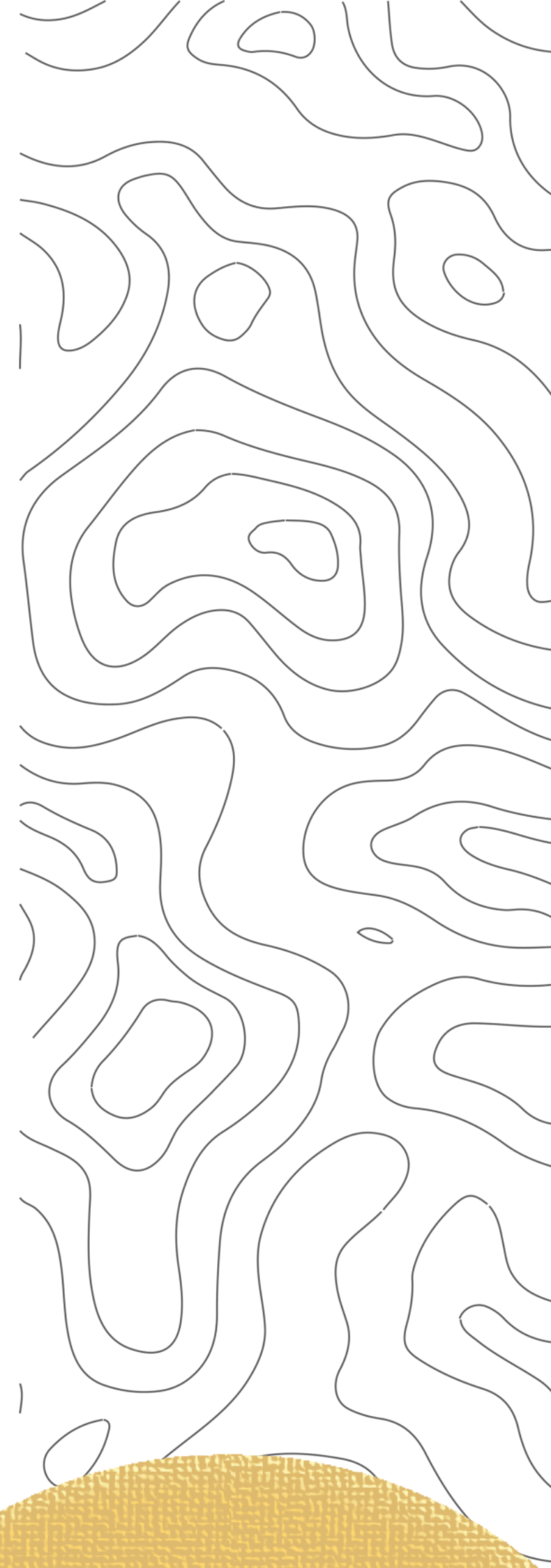
Luke 13:2 – 9

Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree, planted in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it, but did not find any. So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, 'For three years now I've been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven't found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?' ...



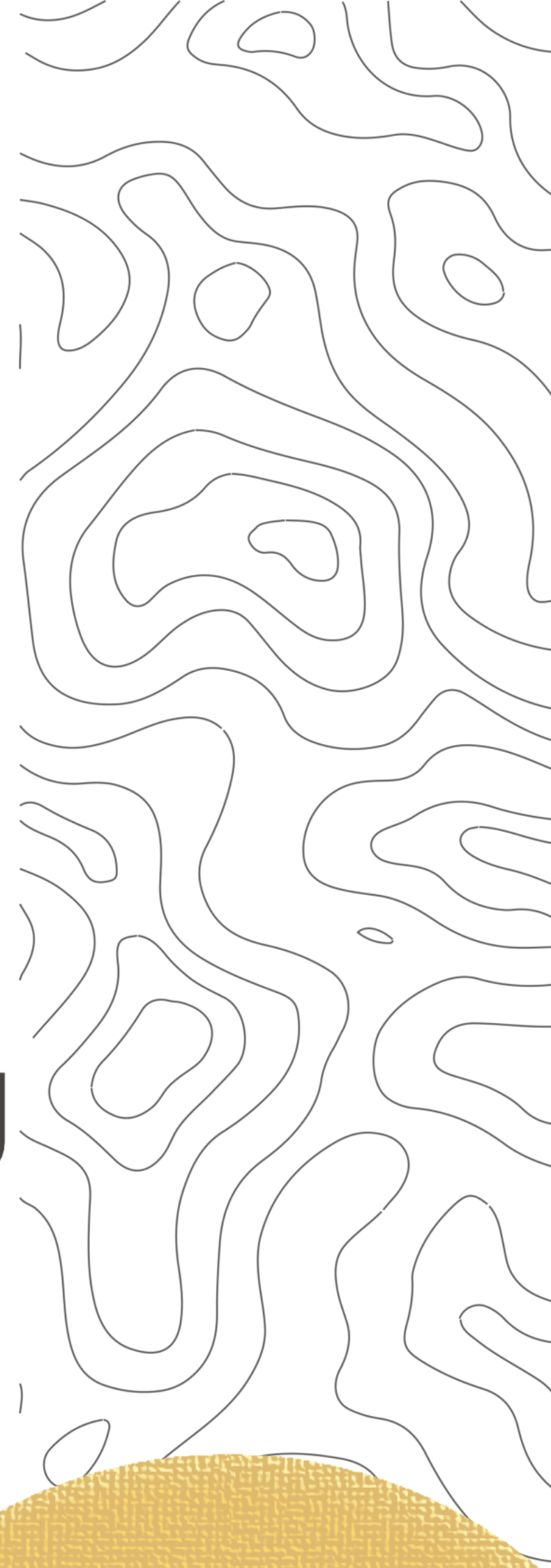
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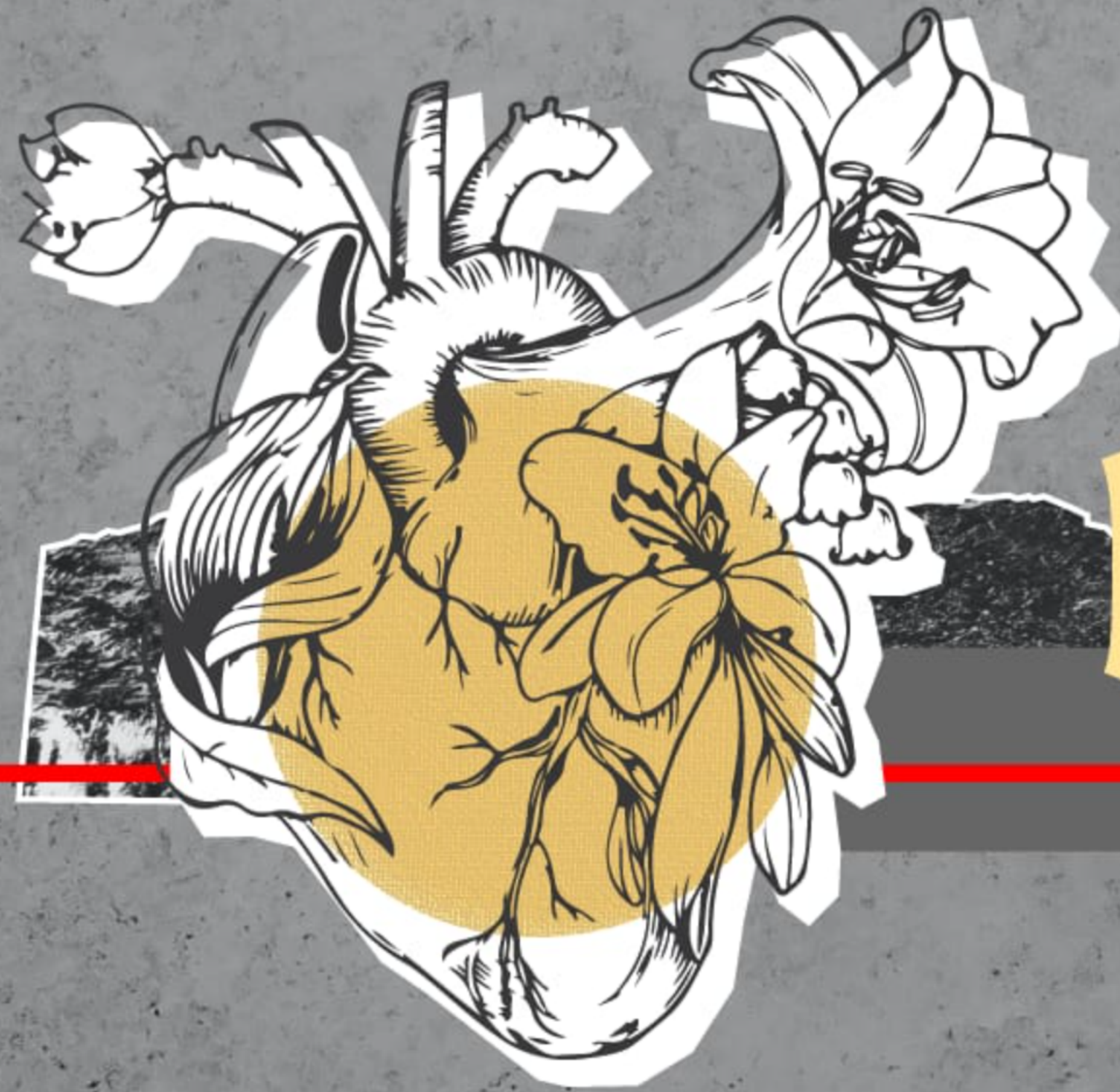
""Sir," the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.'"



Hebrews 6:7 – 9

Land that drinks in the rain often falling on it and that produces a crop useful to those for whom it is farmed receives the blessing of God. But land that produces thorns and thistles is worthless and is in danger of being cursed. In the end it will be burned. Even though we speak like this, dear friends, we are confident of better things in your case—things that accompany salvation.





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