


A realistic, cinematic-style depiction of Jesus Christ on the cross. He is shown from the waist up, with long dark hair and a beard. He wears a crown of thorns and a white loincloth. His body is marked with numerous wounds, including a large, bloody laceration on his chest and blood on his hands and arms. He is positioned on a weathered wooden cross against a dark, textured background. A white horizontal bar is visible at the top left of the image.

**Jesus would not come
down from the Cross!**


Matthew 27:38-44





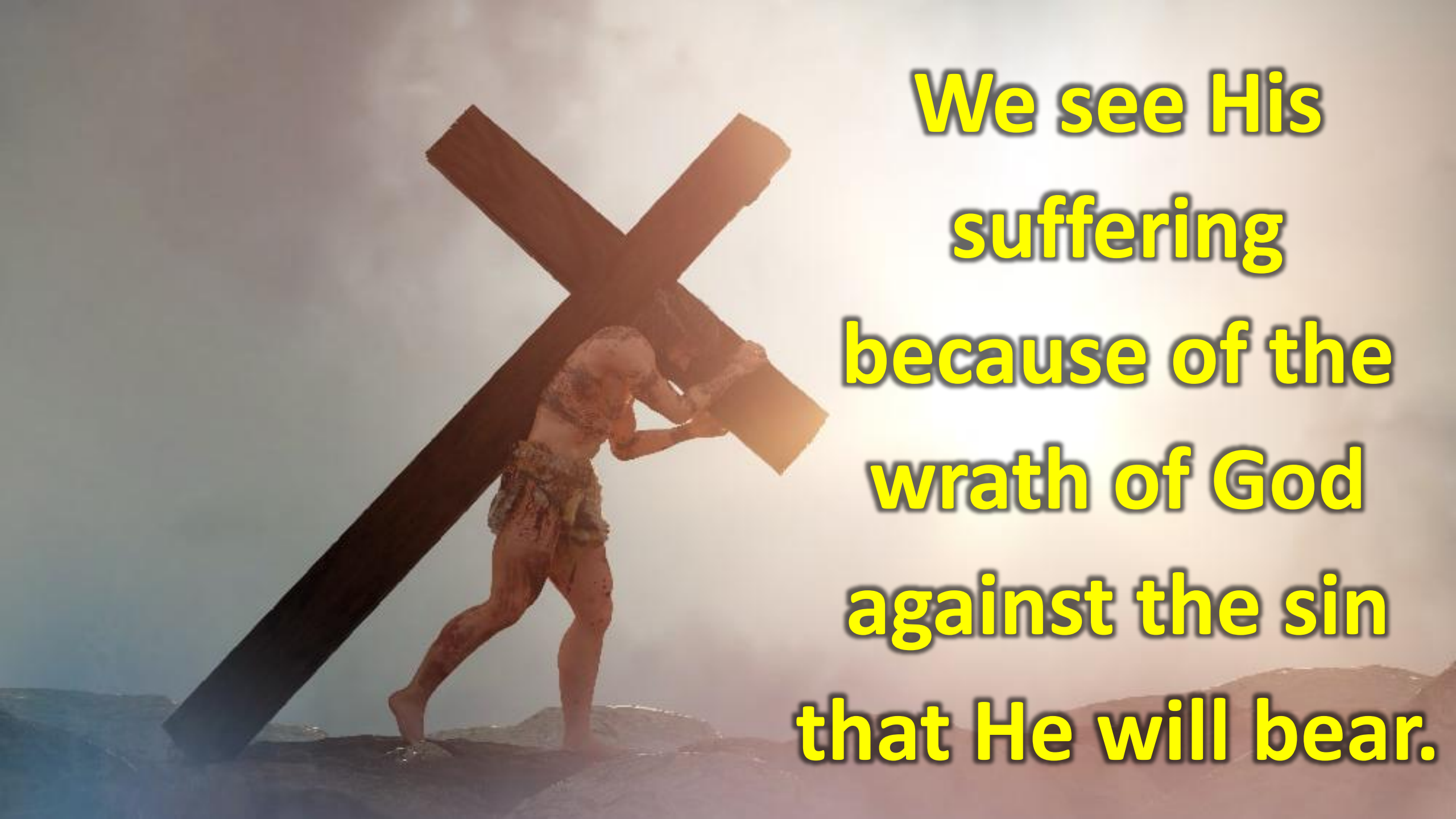
Then two robbers were crucified with Him, one on the right and another on the left.³⁹ And those who passed by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads⁴⁰ and saying, “You who destroy the temple and build it in three days, save Yourself! If You are the Son of God, come down from the cross.”⁴¹ Likewise the chief priests also, mocking with the scribes and elders, said,

Matthew 27:38-44



“He saved others; Himself He cannot save. If He is the King of Israel, let Him now come down from the cross, and we will believe Him. 43 He trusted in God; let Him deliver Him now if He will have Him; for He said, ‘I am the Son of God.’ ” 44 Even the robbers who were crucified with Him reviled Him with the same thing.

Matthew 27:38-44



**We see His
suffering
because of the
wrath of God
against the sin
that He will bear.**



Jesus, the Revelation of God's Love

Love & Grace



Defilement and wickedness of the human heart

Ignorant

Knowing

**Double
minded**

Religious



Matthew 27:27-44

Wicked



1. The Ignorant Wicked

Matthew 27:27-37

Matthew 27:27

They have
scourged Him.





John 19:3

Then they said, "Hail, King of the Jews!" And they struck Him with their hands.

Matthew

26:67-68

*Then they spat in His face and beat Him;
and others struck Him with the palms of
their hands,*





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Stephanos

A close-up photograph of a thorny branch, likely from a species of cactus or succulent. The branch is light brown and woody, with several sharp, dark brown thorns extending from it. Small, bright green leaves are clustered at the nodes. The background is a soft, out-of-focus greyish-brown. The word "Akantha" is overlaid in the center in a large, white, bold, sans-serif font with a thin black outline.

Akantha

Revelation 19:13

*He was clothed with a robe
dipped in blood, and His
name is called The Word of
God.*



Revelation 19:12


His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself.



Revelation 19:15

Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.



A close-up photograph of a chessboard. In the center, a golden king piece stands upright. To its right and in the foreground, several silver pieces are scattered and lying on their sides, suggesting a recent battle or defeat. The background is a soft, out-of-focus grey.

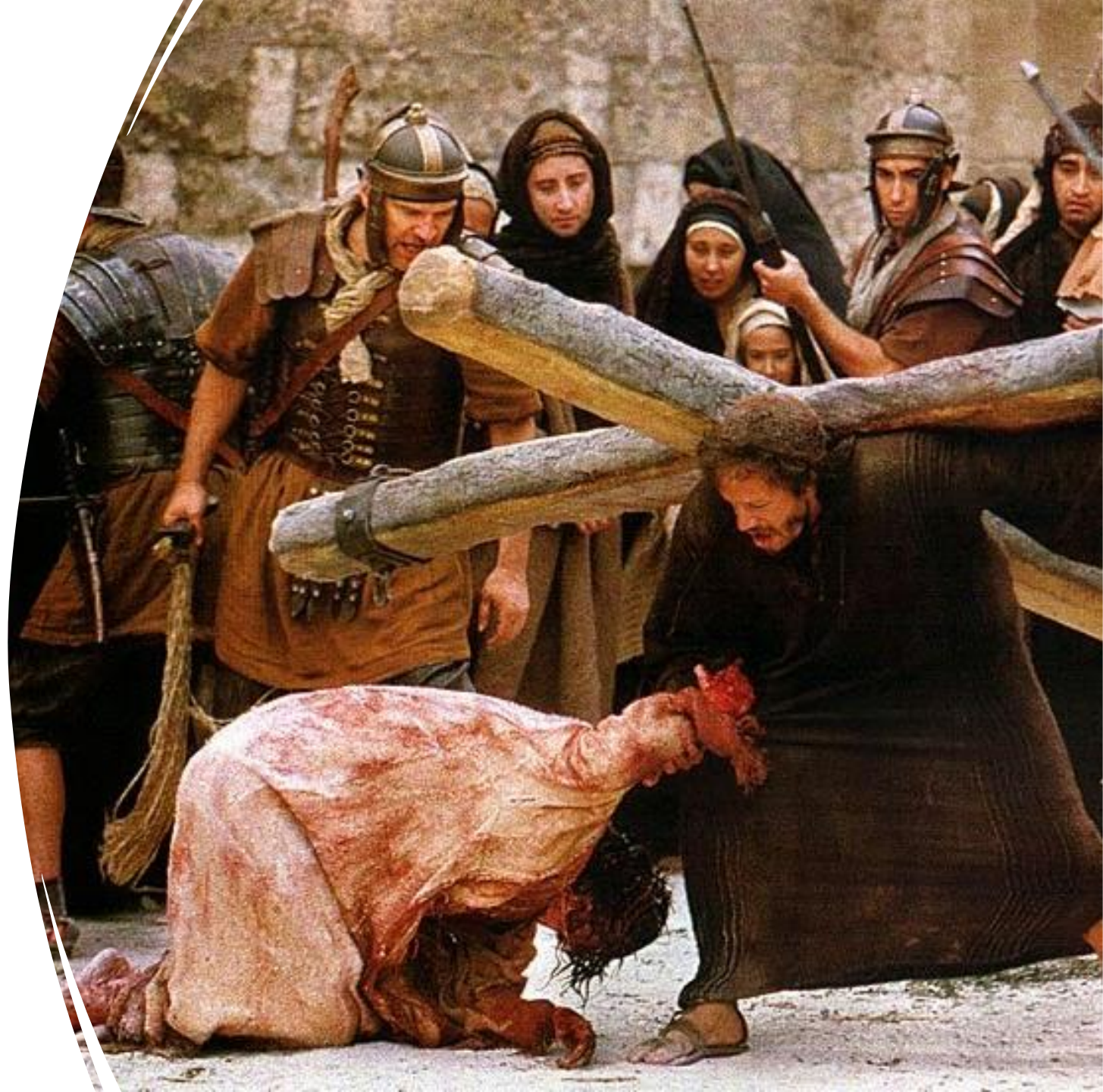
**HE THAT SITTETH
IN THE HEAVENS
SHALL LAUGH**
Psalms 2:4




leave in the middle

Matthew 27:32

Now as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. Him they compelled to bear His cross.





Matthew 27:33

*And when they had come to
a place called Golgotha,
that is to say, Place of a
Skull,*



Matthew 27:36

*Sitting down, they kept
watch over Him there.*

Matthew

27:37

*And they put up over His head the accusation written against Him: **THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS.***



- **Greek**, the universal language.
- **Aramaic**, the language of the area.
- **Latin**, spoken by the Romans.



הנצרי ומלך הלי

Ναζωραῖος ὁ βασιλεὺς τῶν Ἰουδαίων

NAZARENVS REX IYDAE

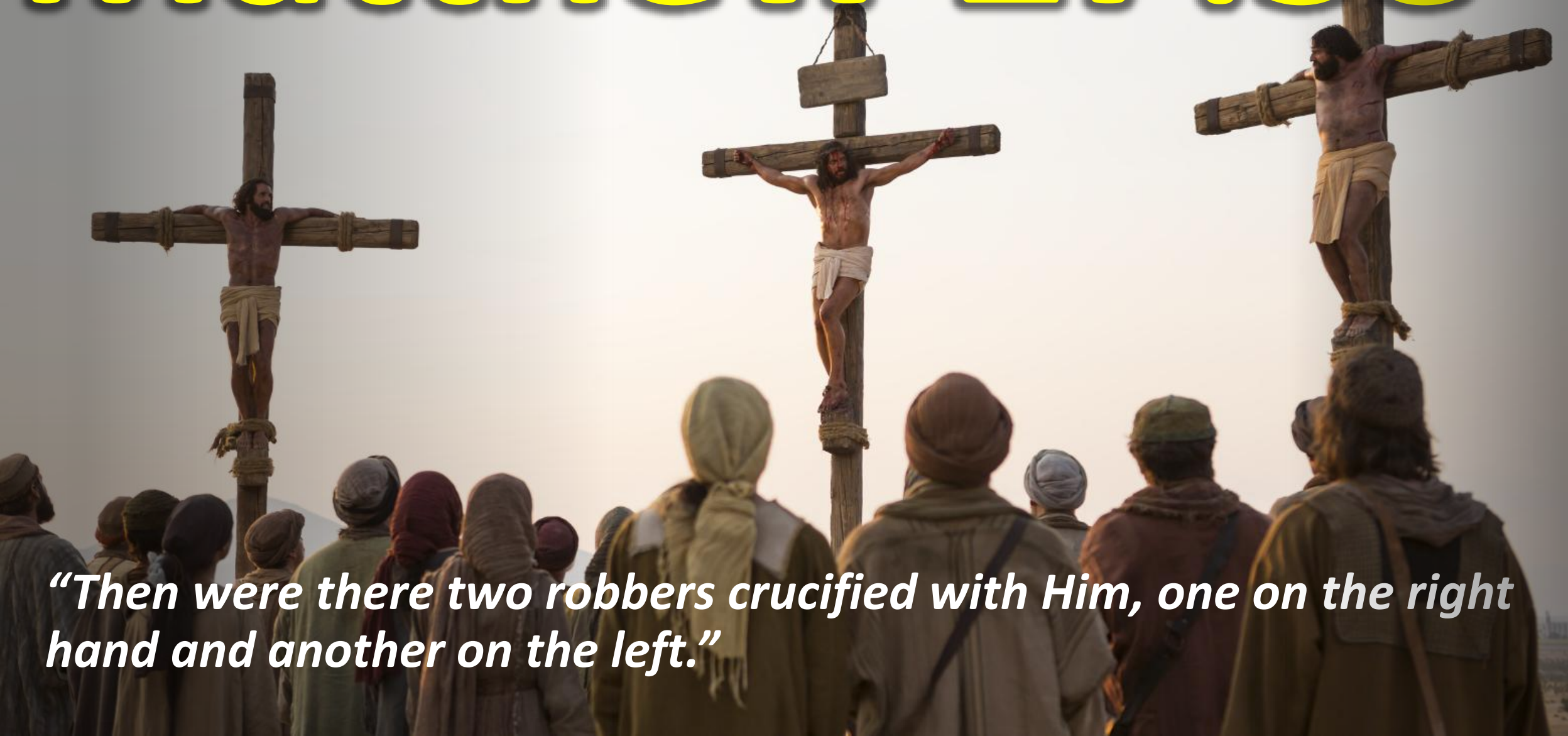
John 1:9

*That was the true Light which gives light
to every man coming into the world.*

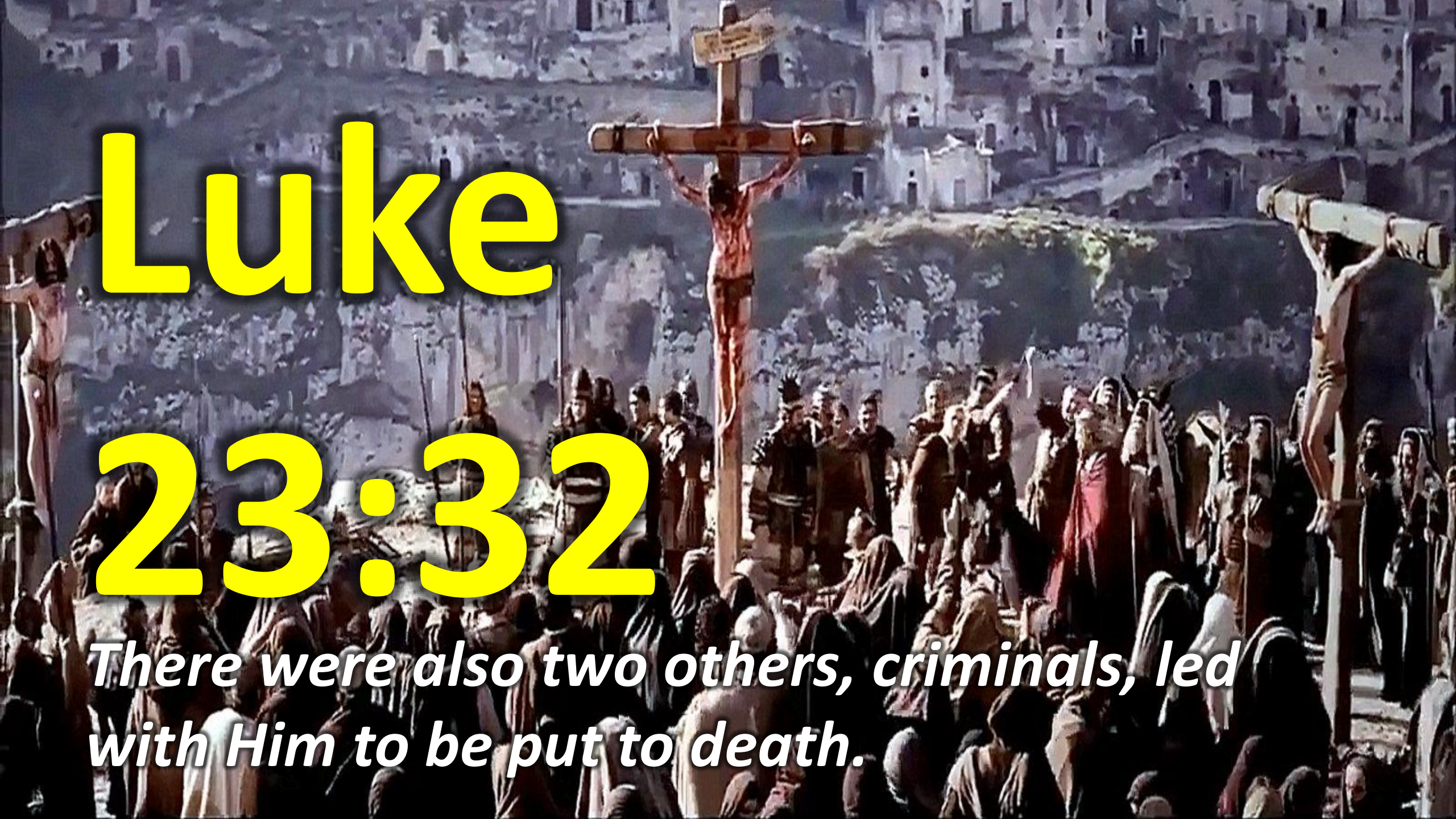


2. The knowing wicked

Matthew 27:38



“Then were there two robbers crucified with Him, one on the right hand and another on the left.”



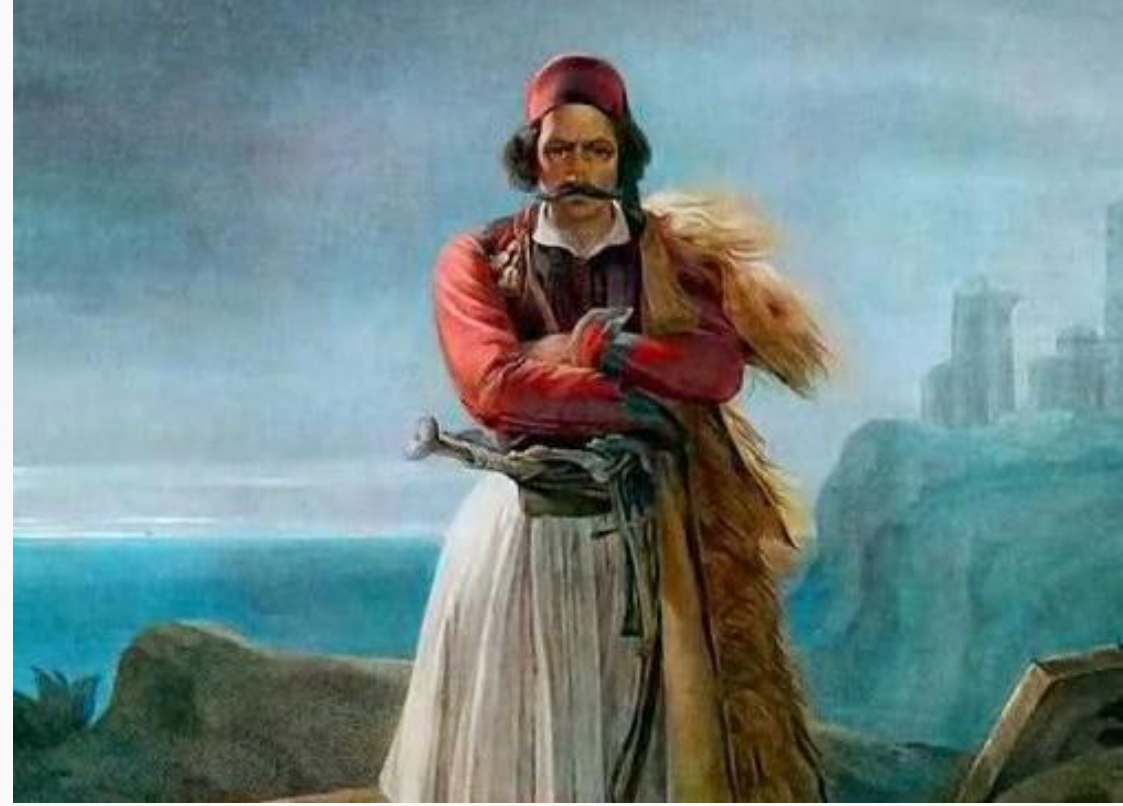
Luke

23:32

There were also two others, criminals, led with Him to be put to death.

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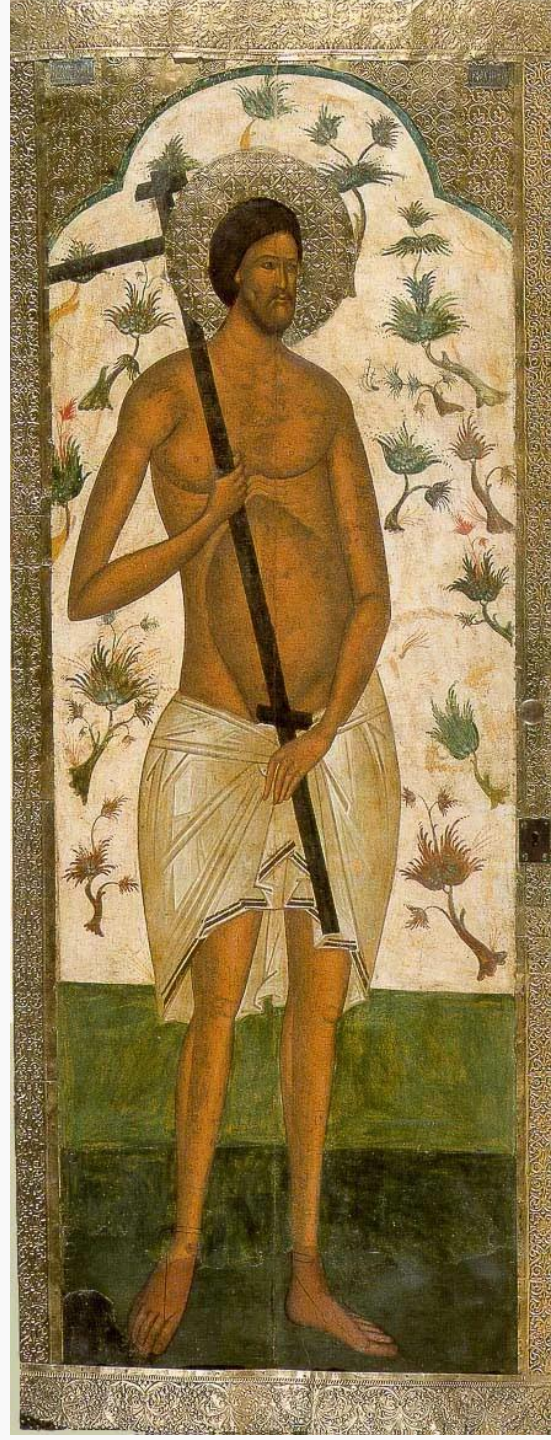
kleptēs / thief



ληστής

lēstēs

**Bandit or a
plundering
robber**

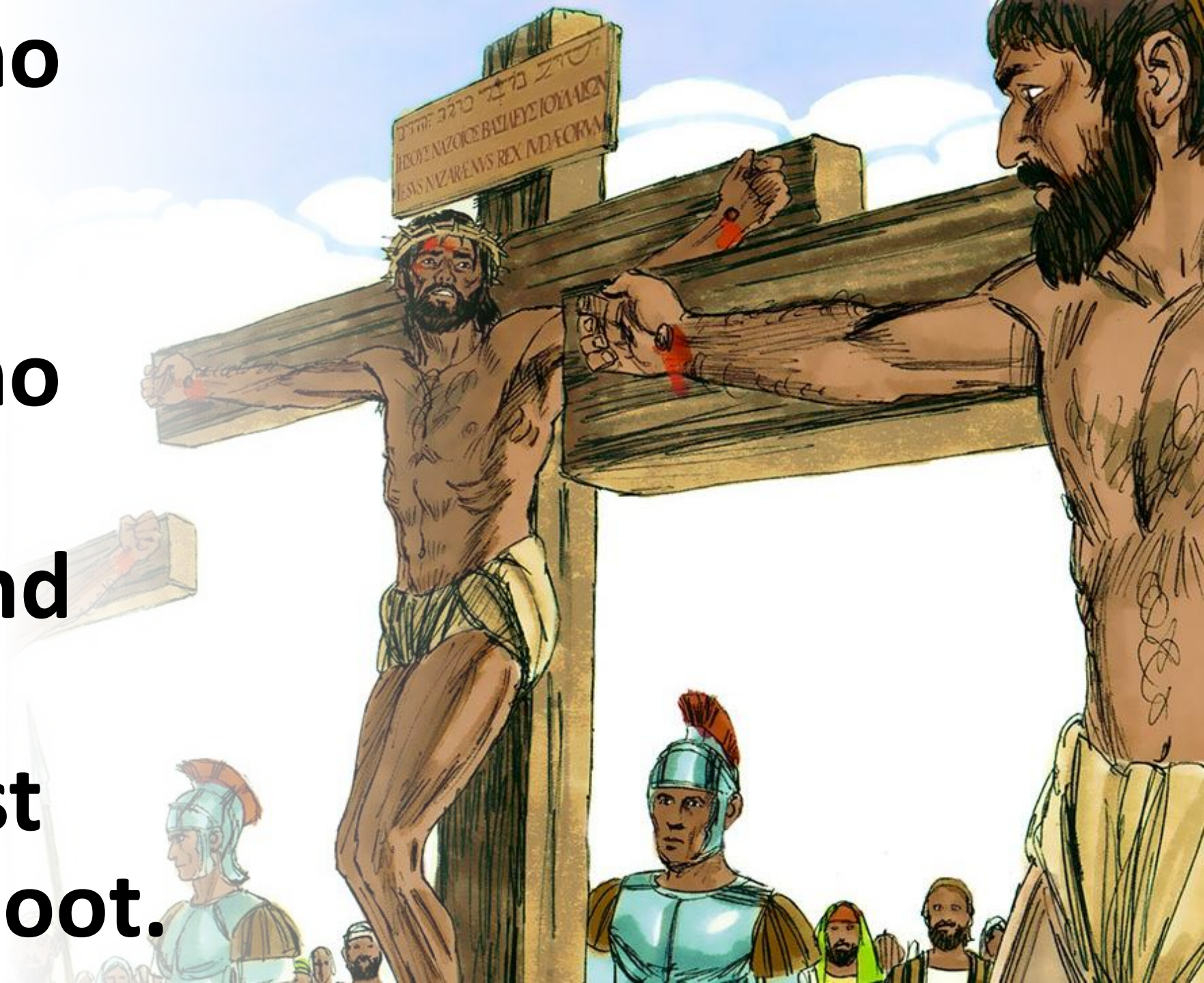


Matthew 27:44

Even the robbers who were crucified with Him reviled Him with the same thing.



- They have no concern for morality.
- They have no concern for Messiahs and kingdoms.
- They are just out for the loot.





**3. The Double minded
Wicked.**

Matthew 27:39

*And those who passed by
blasphemed Him, wagging
their heads*



Psalm

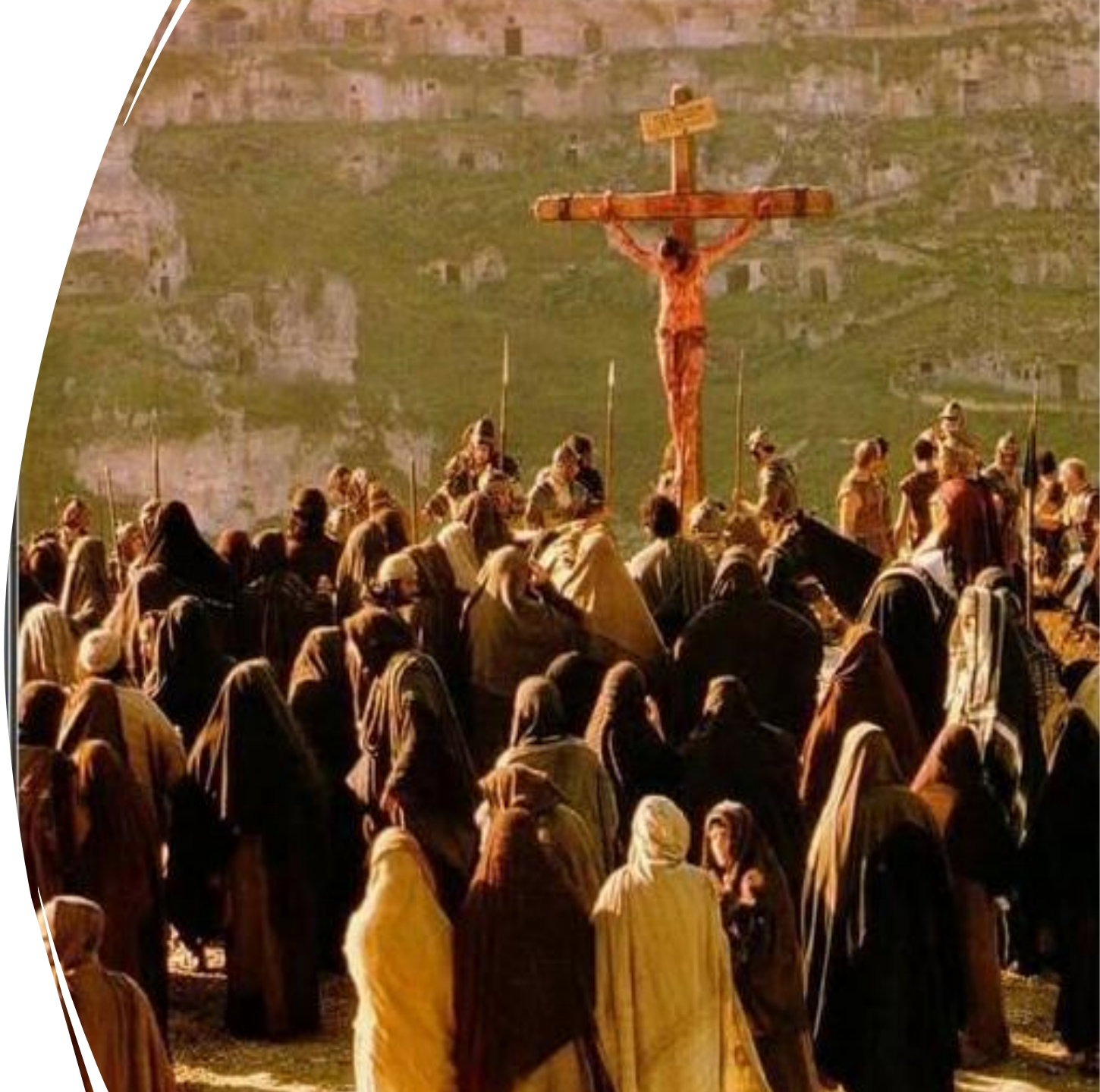
22:7-8

*All those who see Me
ridicule Me; They shoot
out the lip, they shake the
head, saying,
8 "He trusted in the Lord,
let Him rescue Him; Let
Him deliver Him, since He
delights in Him!"*



Matthew 27:40

and saying, “You who destroy the temple and build it in three days, save Yourself! If You are the Son of God, come down from the cross.”



Matthew 26:61

*and said,
“This fellow said, ‘I
am able to destroy
the temple of God
and to build it in
three days.’ ”*



John 2:19-21

Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." ²⁰ Then the Jews said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will You raise it up in three days?" ²¹ But He was speaking of the temple of His body.



— Matthew 26:63-64

But Jesus kept silent. And the high priest answered and said to Him, “I put You under oath by the living God: Tell us if You are the Christ, the Son of God!”⁶⁴ Jesus said to him, “It is as you said.

Nevertheless, I say to you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven.”



Matthew 27:40

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**4. The religious
wicked.**



Matthew

27:41

Likewise the chief priests also, mocking with the scribes and elders, said, ⁴² "He saved others; Himself He cannot save. If He is the King of Israel, let Him now come down from the cross, and we will believe Him.

Matthew 27:42

*“He saved
others.”*



- They are **mocking.**
- They are **scorning.**
- They are **laughing.**
- They are **ridiculing.**
- They don't know **why He is there.**



Matthew 27:43

*He trusted in God;
let Him deliver Him
now if He will have
Him; for He said, 'I
am the Son of God.'*
”





Psalm 22:8



Matthew 26:63

Zechariah

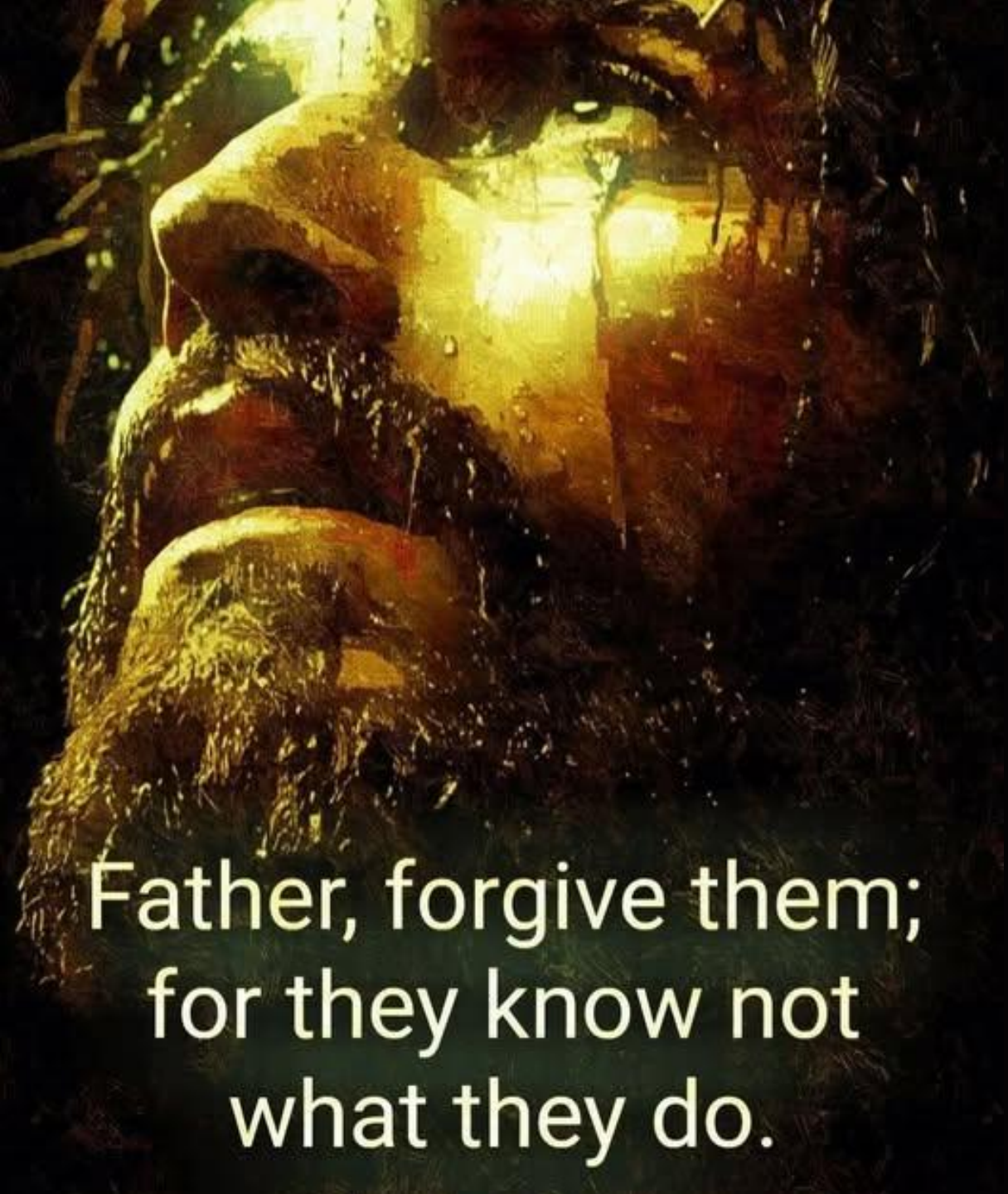
12:10

And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on Me whom they pierced. Yes, they will mourn for Him as one mourns for his only son, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn.



Hebrews 6





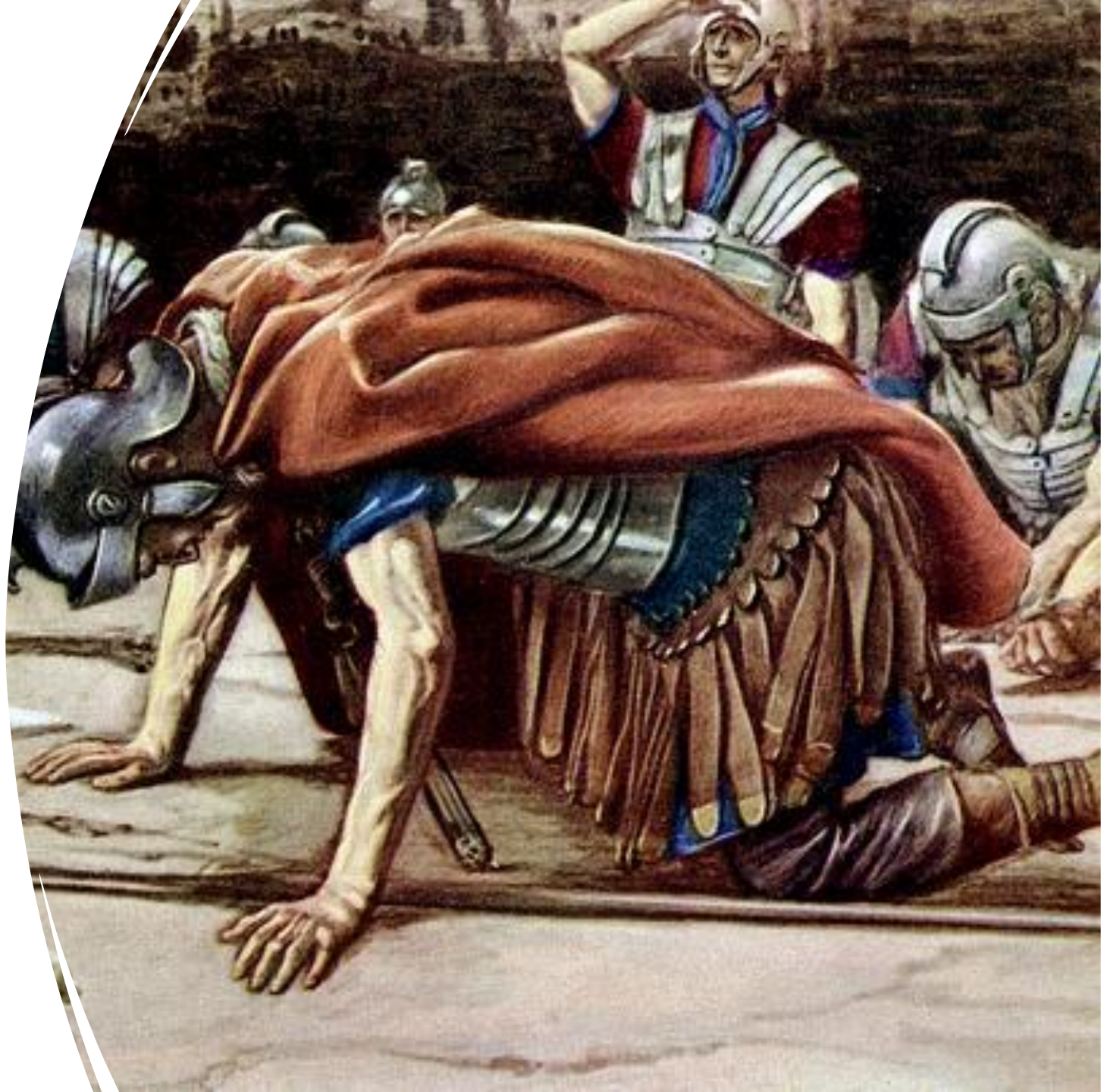
Father, forgive them;
for they know not
what they do.

the **ignorant** wicked,
the **knowing** wicked,
the **doubleminded**
wicked, the **religious**
wicked. But all
unbelievers are there
somewhere.

Matthew

27:54

So when the centurion and those with him, who were guarding Jesus, saw the earthquake and the things that had happened, they feared greatly, saying, "Truly this was the Son of God!"

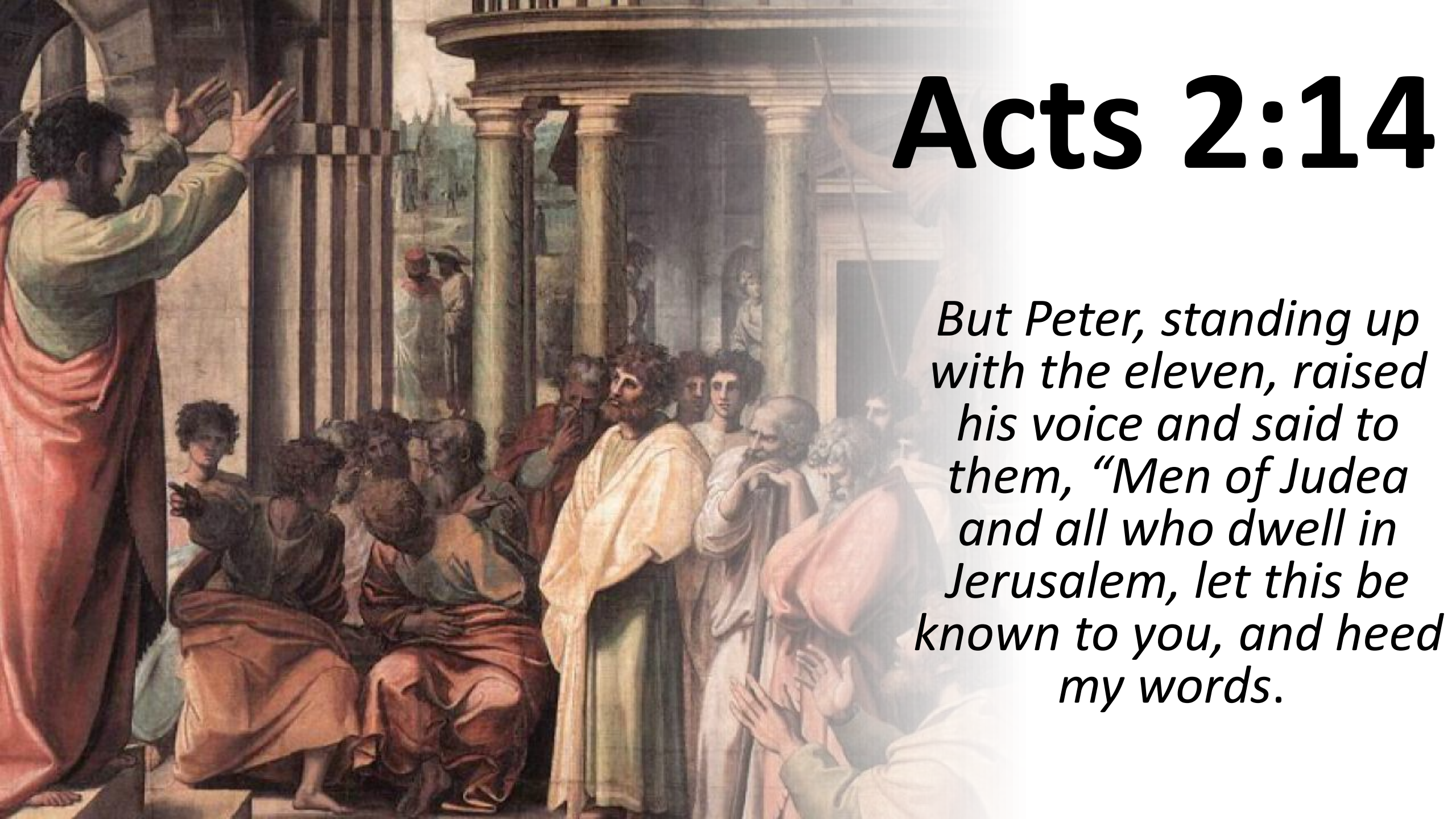


Luke

23:39-42

Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying, "If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us." ⁴⁰ But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, "Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation? ⁴¹ And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² Then he said to Jesus, "Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom."





Acts 2:14

But Peter, standing up with the eleven, raised his voice and said to them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and heed my words.



Acts

2:23-24

This Jesus...
God raised Him up,
loosing the pangs
of death, because
it was not possible
for Him to be
held by it.



Acts 2:36

“Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ.”



And Peter said to them,

REPENT and be

BAPTIZED

every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ
for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will
receive the gift of the Holy Spirit

Acts 2:37-39

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" ³⁸ Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call."

Acts 2:41

Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them.



Acts 2:47

*praising God and
having favour with all
the people. And the
Lord added to the
church daily those who
were being saved*



Acts 6:7

Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.



✓ He is indeed the friend of sinners.

✓ He is eager to forgive.

✓ He is ready to forgive.

