



THE DESTINY BEYOND

Genesis 48–49



Wellington R. Burt



Millionaire Wellington Burt, who died in 1919, deliberately withheld his vast fortune, directing it to remain untouched until 21 years after his last grandchild's death—ultimately awarding \$110 million to 12 heirs in 2011.

Gen 48:1-7

¹ Some time later Joseph was told, “Your father is ill.” So he took his two sons Manasseh and Ephraim along with him. ² When Jacob was told, “Your son Joseph has come to you,” Israel rallied his strength and sat up on the bed.

³ Jacob said to Joseph, “**God Almighty appeared to me** at Luz in the land of Canaan, and there he **blessed me** ⁴ and said to me, ‘I am going to make you **fruitful and increase** your numbers. I will make you **a community of peoples**, and I will give **this land** as an everlasting possession to your descendants after you.’

⁵ “Now then, your two sons born to you in Egypt before I came to you here will be reckoned as mine; **Ephraim and Manasseh will be mine**, just as Reuben and Simeon are mine. ⁶ Any children born to you after them will be yours; in the territory they inherit they will be reckoned under the names of their brothers. ⁷ As I was returning from Paddan, **to my sorrow** Rachel died in the land of Canaan while we were still on the way, a little distance from Ephrath. So I buried her there beside the road to Ephrath” (that is, Bethlehem).

Gen 48:19-22; 49:1-4

19, “I know, my son, I know. He too will become a people, and he too will become great. Nevertheless, **his younger brother will be greater** than he, and his descendants will become a group of nations.” ²⁰ He blessed them that day and said, So he put **Ephraim ahead of Manasseh**.

21 Then Israel said to Joseph, “I am about to die, but **God will be with you** and take you back to the land of your fathers. ²² And to you **I give one more ridge of land** than to your brothers, the ridge I took from the Amorites with my sword and my bow.”

49:1, Then Jacob called for his sons and said: “Gather around so I can tell you **what will happen to you in days to come**. ² “Assemble and listen, sons of Jacob; listen to your father Israel.

3 “**Reuben**, you are my firstborn, my might, the first sign of my strength, excelling in honor, excelling in power. ⁴ Turbulent as the waters, **you will no longer excel**, for you went up onto your father’s bed, onto my couch and defiled it.

Gen 49:5-11

5 “*Simeon and Levi* are brothers—their swords are weapons of **violence**.⁶ Let me **not** enter their council, let me **not** join their assembly, for they have killed men in their anger and hamstringed oxen as they pleased.⁷ **Cursed** be their anger, so fierce, and their fury, so cruel! I will **scatter them** in Jacob and disperse them in Israel.

8 “**Judah**, your brothers will praise you; your hand will be on the neck of your enemies; your father’s sons will **bow down to you**.⁹ You are a lion’s cub, Judah; you return from the prey, my son. **Like a lion** he crouches and lies down, like a lioness—who dares to rouse him?

10 **The scepter will not depart from Judah**, nor the ruler’s staff from between his feet, **until he to whom it belongs shall come** and the obedience of the nations shall be his.

¹¹ He will tether his donkey to a vine, his colt to the choicest branch; he will wash his garments in wine, his robes in the blood of grapes. ¹² His eyes will be darker than wine, his teeth whiter than milk.

The Destinies Beyond Their Time

- **God Promised**
- **Jacob Prophesied**
- **Christ Perfected**



God Promised

v3, Jacob said to Joseph, “God Almighty appeared to me at Luz,
(Bethel)

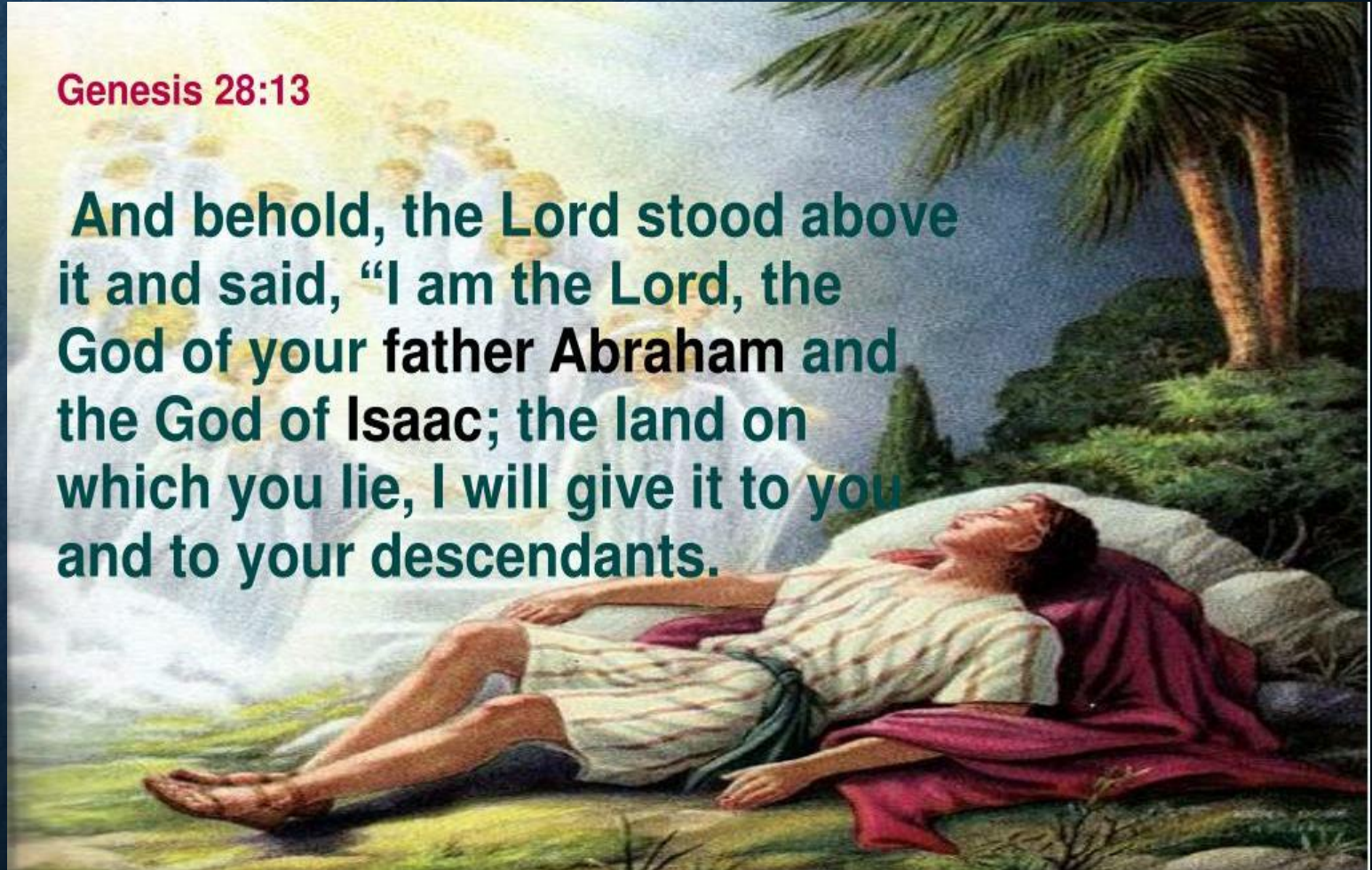
Abrahamic Covenant

Descendants,
Nation,
Land.

Passing on by Faith

Genesis 28:13

And behold, the Lord stood above it and said, “I am the Lord, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie, I will give it to you and to your descendants.



God Promised

- Adoption

v5, “.. Now your two sons.. are mine, as Rueben and Simeon are.”

- Crossing hands, v19, “.. **younger will be greater..**”

Jacob & Esau

Isaac & Ishmael

Rachel & Leah

Abel & Cain

- v22, “.. one more ridge of land ..”



God Promised



v7, “... to my sorrow, Rachel died in the land of Canaan...”



Jacob Prophesied

Calling his 12 sons, 49:2, “...
what will happen to you in
days to come.. “

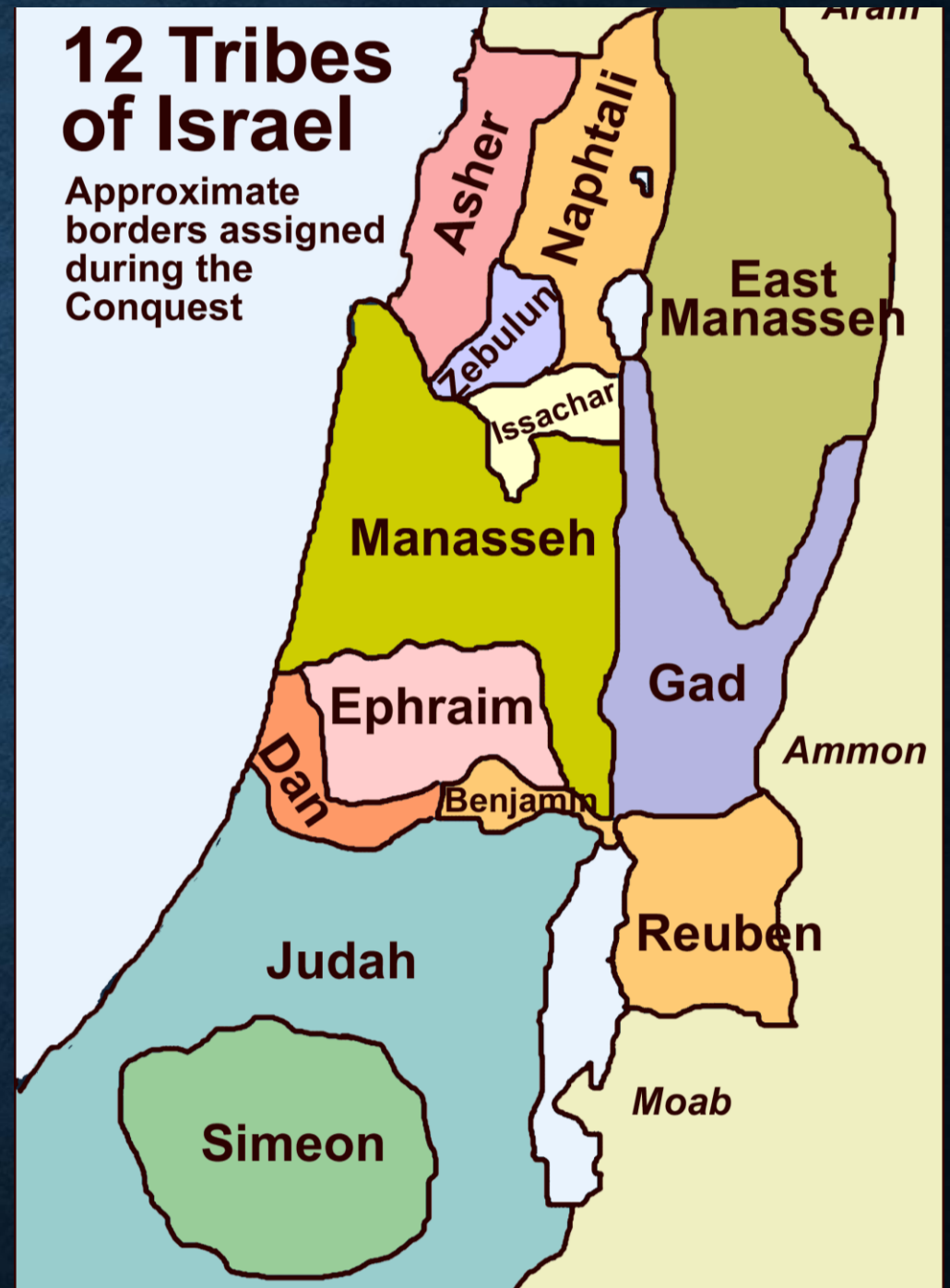
- prophecy, destines, not
only blessing

Rebuke, Discipline, Specific
Allotment, Lifestyle, Foreign
aggression, etc..

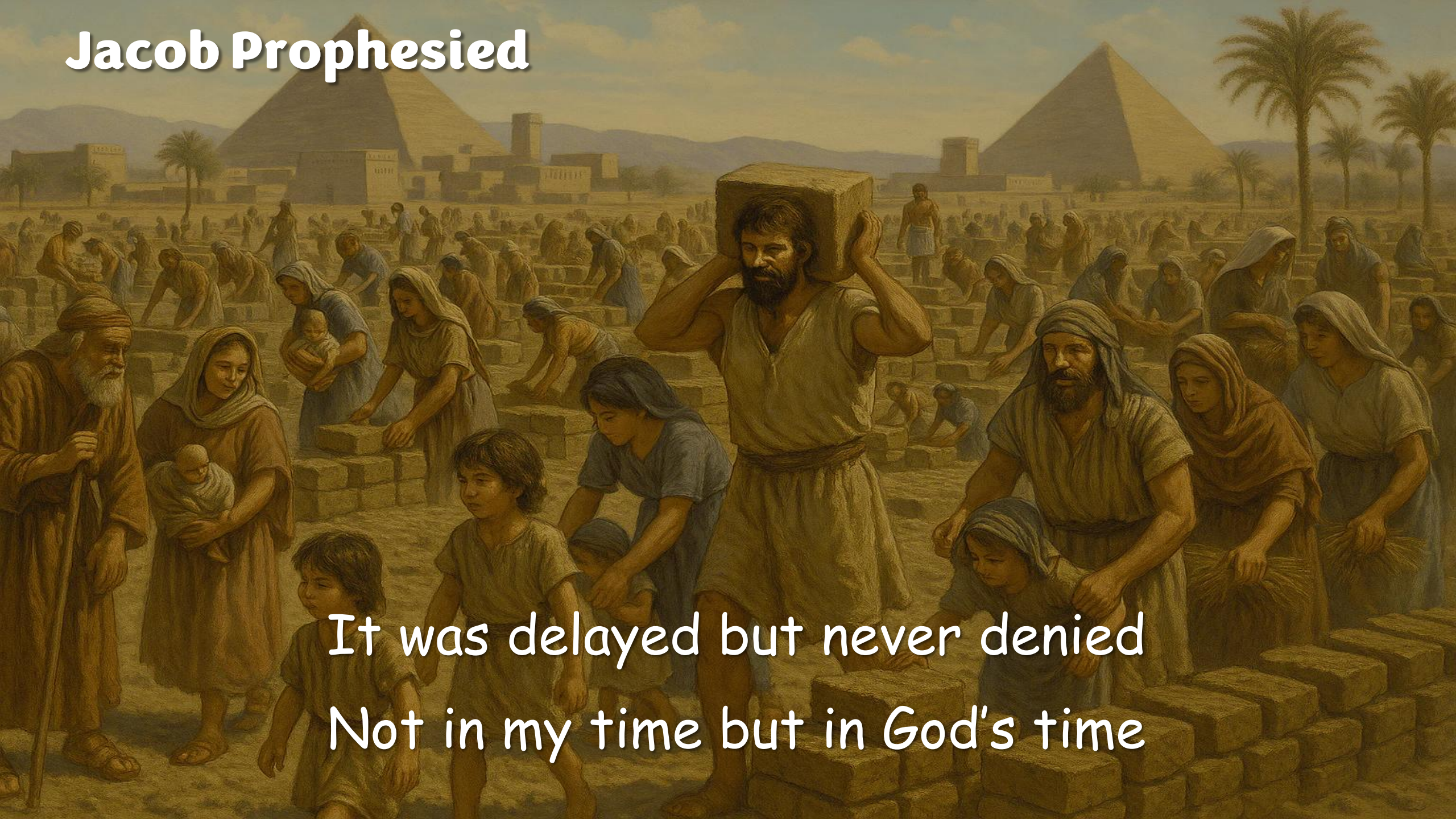
Was it not inheritances given
as it is in a will ?

Jacob Prophesied

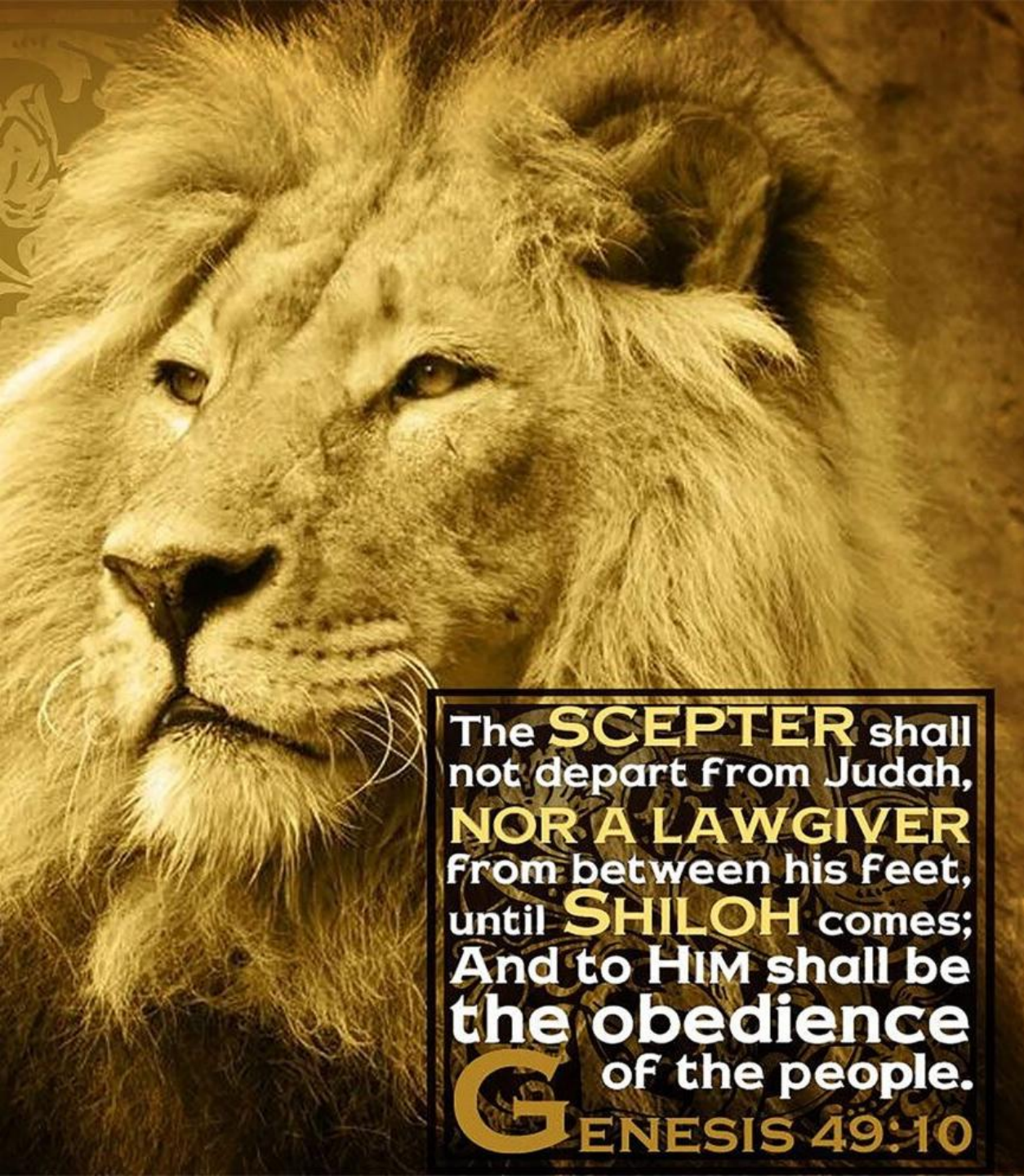
- Rueben was striped of his birthright. – 1 Chro 5:1.
- Simeon & Levi were scattered - Numbers
- Judah was blessed as the strongest – 1 Chro 5.
 - Lion = Lion of Judah - Rev 5:5
- Joseph became fruitful and prosperous



Jacob Prophesied



It was delayed but never denied
Not in my time but in God's time



The **SCEPTER** shall
not depart from Judah,
NOR A LAWGIVER
from between his feet,
until **SHILOH** comes;
And to **HIM** shall be
the obedience
of the people.
GENESIS 49:10

Christ Perfected it

- “Until Messiah comes..”
- Heb 9:16-17 - He died so that the blessings (a will) could be passed on. We are co-heir, adopted!

The last Adam is greater than the first Adam. (1 Cor 15:45, Rom 5:13-17)

Christ Perfected the promise

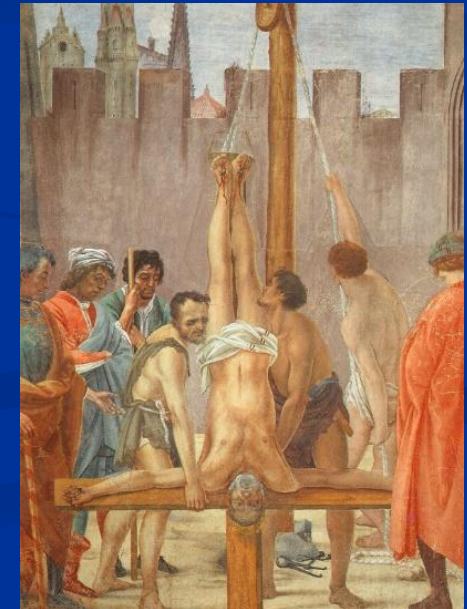
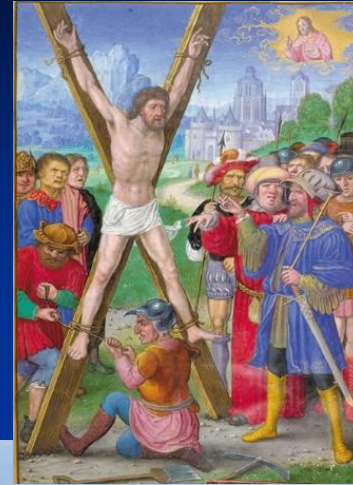
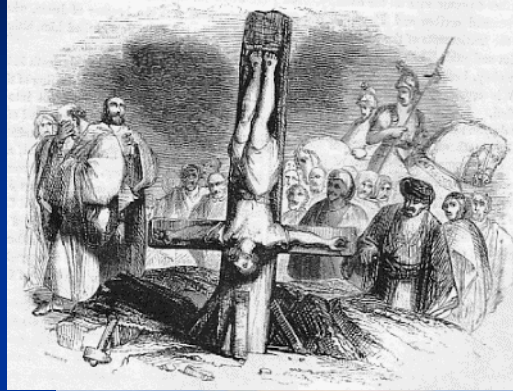
And this is life eternal,
that they might know thee the only true God,
and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

John 17:3

- Jesus prayed for His 12 disciples, and us in John 17.

Protection, Unity, Sanctification, “none is lost” ...

The fate of 12 disciples





10 THINGS
ALL SINGAPOREANS
DIE DIE MUST DO



DIE DIE MUST TRY SG FOOD!

**Die Die
also
must
say**

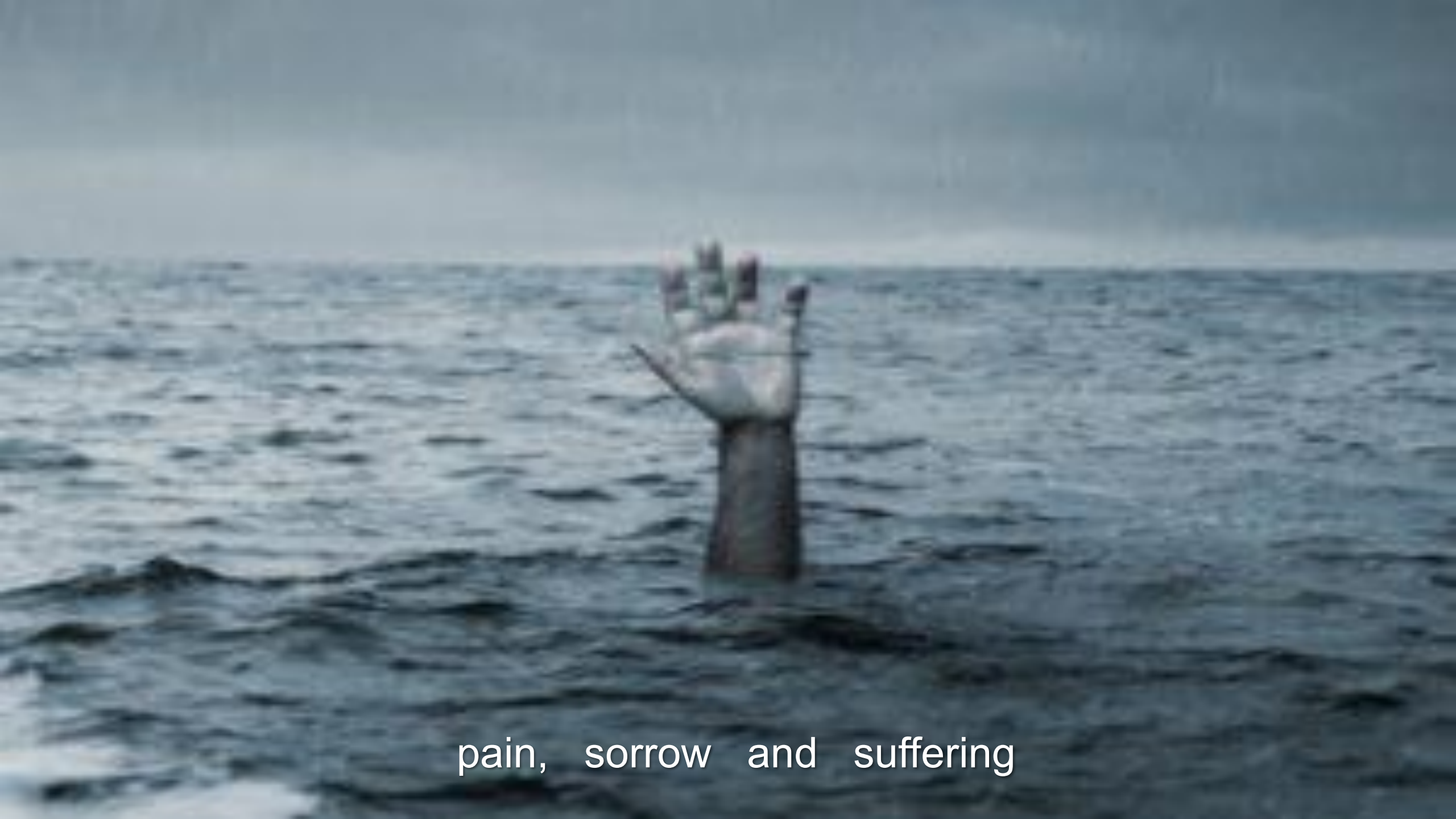
THE TWELVE APOSTLES



They were looking for Perfection in Christ



Instant, Quick, Ready !



pain, sorrow and suffering

The Destiny Beyond

No more sorrow or pain – Rev 21:4

Delayed \neq Denied