# THE BIBLE UNLEASHED

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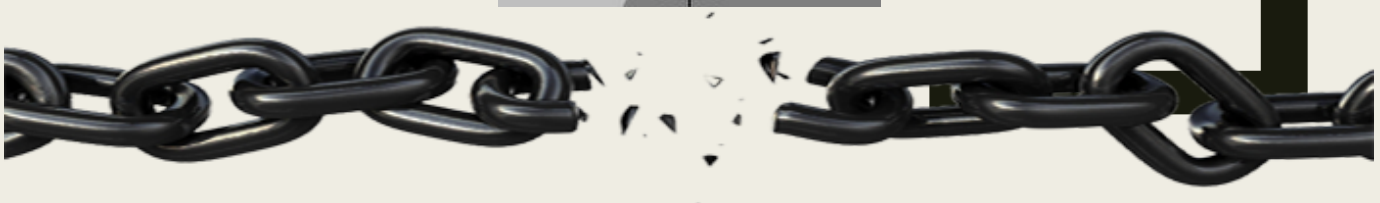
## THE GENESIS MODEL



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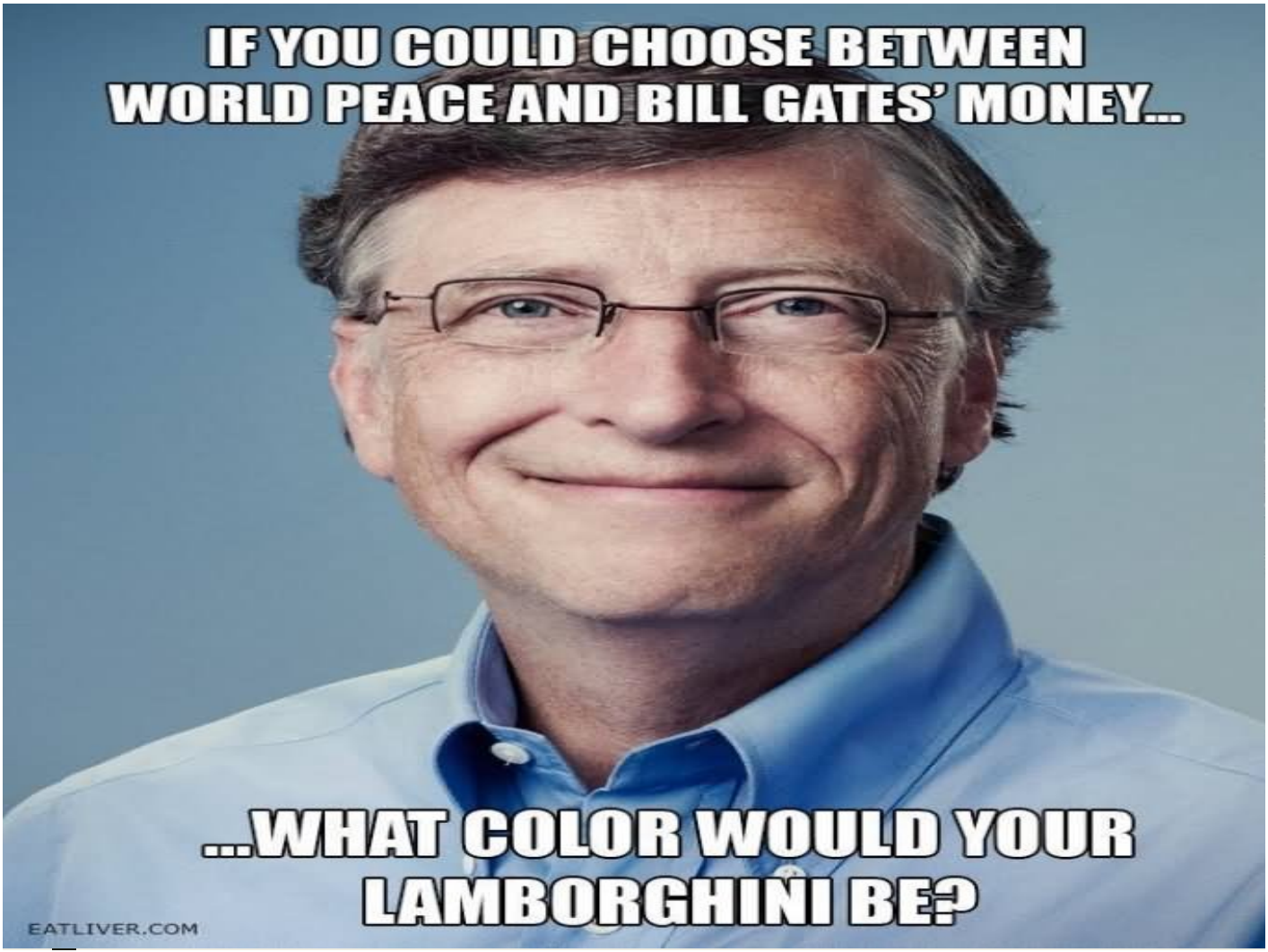
CHAPTER 20
first day of the week
cometh Mary Magdalene
unto
sepulchre.
taken away my
not where they
14 And when
she turned
Jesus standing,
it was Jesus.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...WHAT COLOR WOULD YOUR
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# Components of Worldview

# Two Options

- Presupposition #1: external data (beyond words themselves) **necessary** for understanding before reading text.
- Presupposition #2: external data (beyond words themselves) **not necessary** before reading the text.

# Competing Hermeneutic Models

- Theological – #1
- Allegorical – #1
- Spiritualization – #1
- Genre – #1
- Trajectory – #1
- Complementary – #1
- Canonical – #1
- Literal Grammatical Historical – #2

# On What Basis to Choose?

- Presuppositions
  - *External data needed?*
  - *External data not needed?*

- **Internal modeling** over external prescription
  - *How does the text show us how to understand meaning?*
- Who determines meaning?
  - *Reader response*
  - *Authorial intent*

# Internal Modeling: Genesis

- Records roughly 2,000 years
- Alleges these are the first of human history (1:27, 5:1)
- Alleges the first 33% of historical chronology, and 50% of Biblical history
  - *OT = 4,000 years, NT to today = 2,000 years*
- Genesis provides a huge sample size for assessing an internal interpretive model

# The Internal Model Test: Genesis

- The Research Method:
  - *Examination of every time God is recorded as speaking in Genesis, and the responses*
- The Research Question:
  - *Do the recorded responses support one hermeneutic model over another?*

# Additional Considerations

- Do God's initial audiences take Him *only* literally or do they infer a deeper meaning than what would be normally signified by the words that were verbally expressed?
- Responses categorized in 2 ways:
  - *C1 responses provide evidence that the initial speech act was **intended only for literal understanding**.*
  - *C2 responses provide evidence that the initial speech act was intended for **any understanding beyond the literal** meaning of the words verbally expressed.*

# The Speech-Acts of God and Responses in Genesis

- "God said" (36 verses), *wayyomer el* or *wayyomer elohim*
- "the Lord said" (19 verses), *wayyomer yahweh*
- "the Lord God said" (5 verses), *wayyomer yahweh elohim*
- "He said (24 verses).
- 84 total speech acts of God

# Genesis says...

# Results

- God Said – 36 verses, at least 27 C1's, 0 C2's
- The Lord Said – 19 verses, at least 17 C1's, 0 C2's
- The Lord God Said – 5 verses, at least 4 C1's, 0 C2's
- He Said – 24 verses, at least 23 C1's, 0 C2's
- Total – 84 verses, at least 71 C1's, 0 C2's

# 71 C1's / 0 C2's

- C1 responses provide evidence that the initial speech act was **intended only for literal understanding.**
- C2 responses provide evidence that the initial speech act was intended for **any understanding beyond the literal** meaning of the words verbally expressed.

YOU DON'T
READ THE BIBLE
LITERALLY
DO YOU?

Sticks and stones may break my bones, but…words are more important than you might think.

– Benjamin Garretson

Well thats not
a good sign.
BAD

# Implications

- God intended for His words to be taken at face value, using a plain-sense interpretive approach
- **Method known as the *literal grammatical historical hermeneutic***
- Method recognizes that verbal expression has meaning rooted in and inseparable from the grammatical and historical context of the language used

# Implications

- Any departure from LGH requires *explicit exegetical support for any change in method*
- Hermeneutic methodology for understanding Scripture is not arbitrary but is instead plainly modeled.
- Later Scriptures should be understood in light of the hermeneutic precedent provided by Genesis.

# 6 Basic Rules

- Literal
  - 1. Recognize normal, natural sense, how we read any basic communication
- Grammatical Historical –
  - 2. Recognize historical setting
  - 3. Recognize original language and rules of grammar
  - 4. Recognize context
  - 5. Recognize Author's intent
  - 6. Recognize progress in the writing

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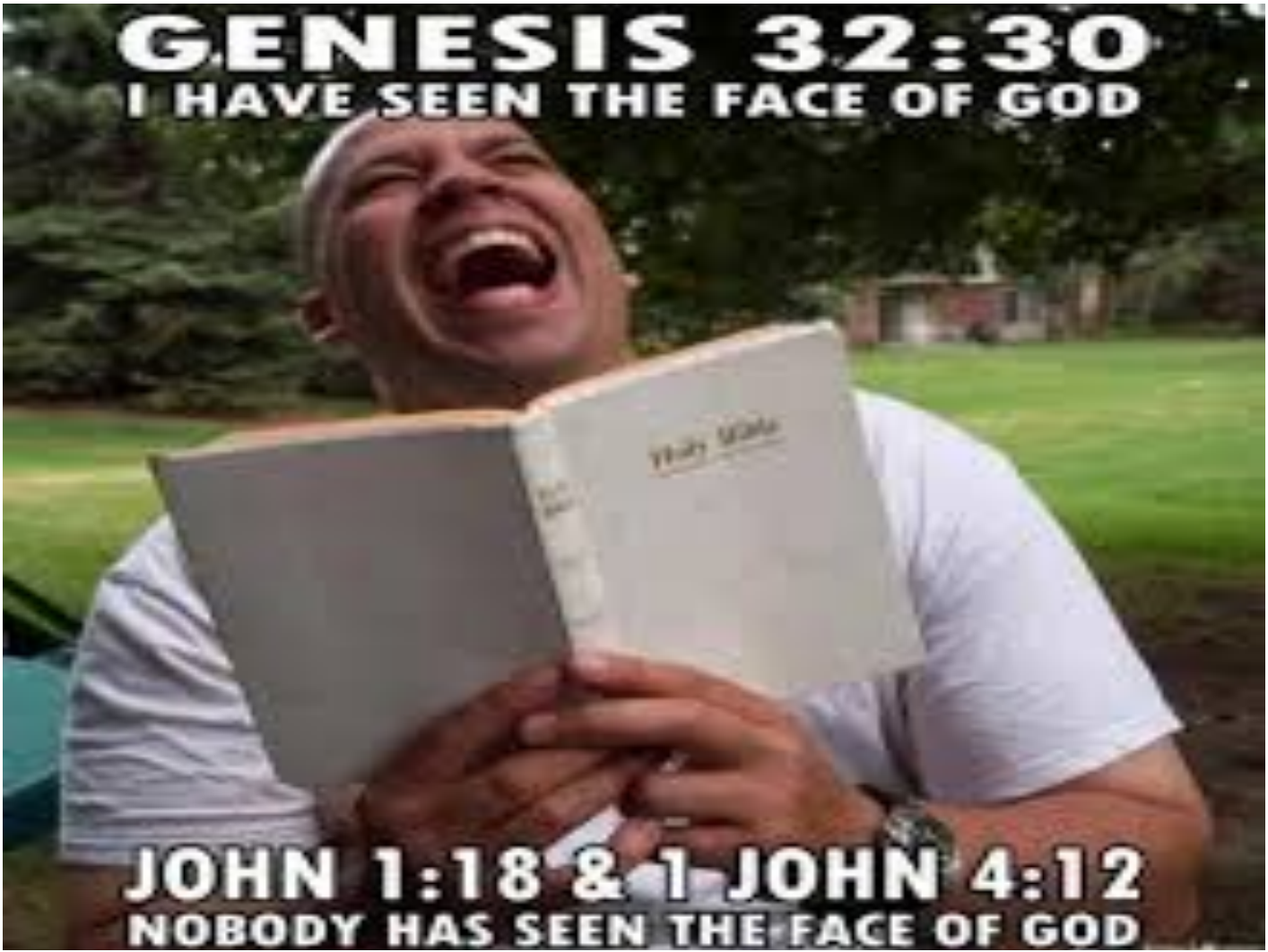
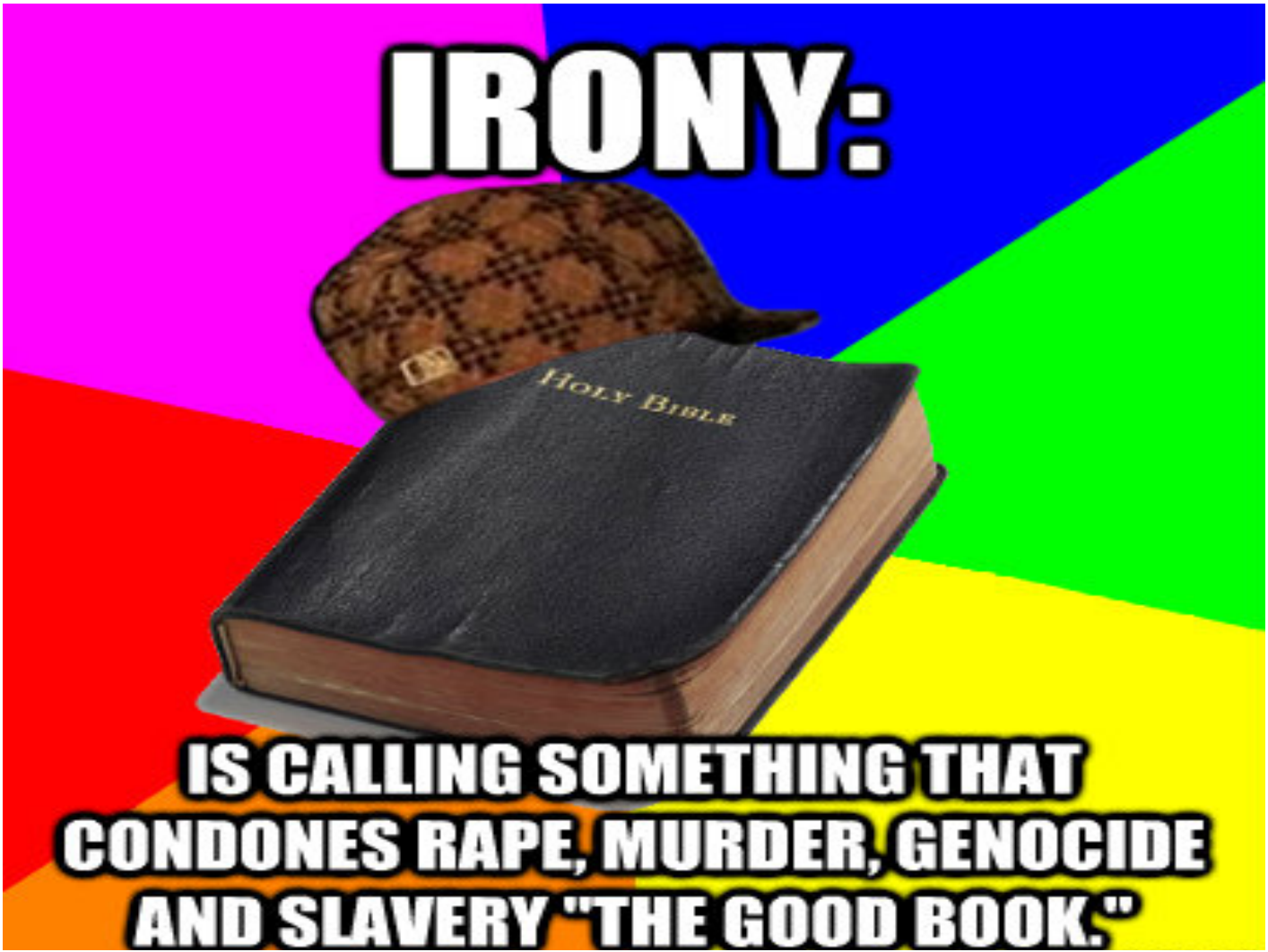

GENESIS 32:30
I HAVE SEEN THE FACE OF GOD
JOHN 1:18 & 1 JOHN 4:12
NOBODY HAS SEEN THE FACE OF GOD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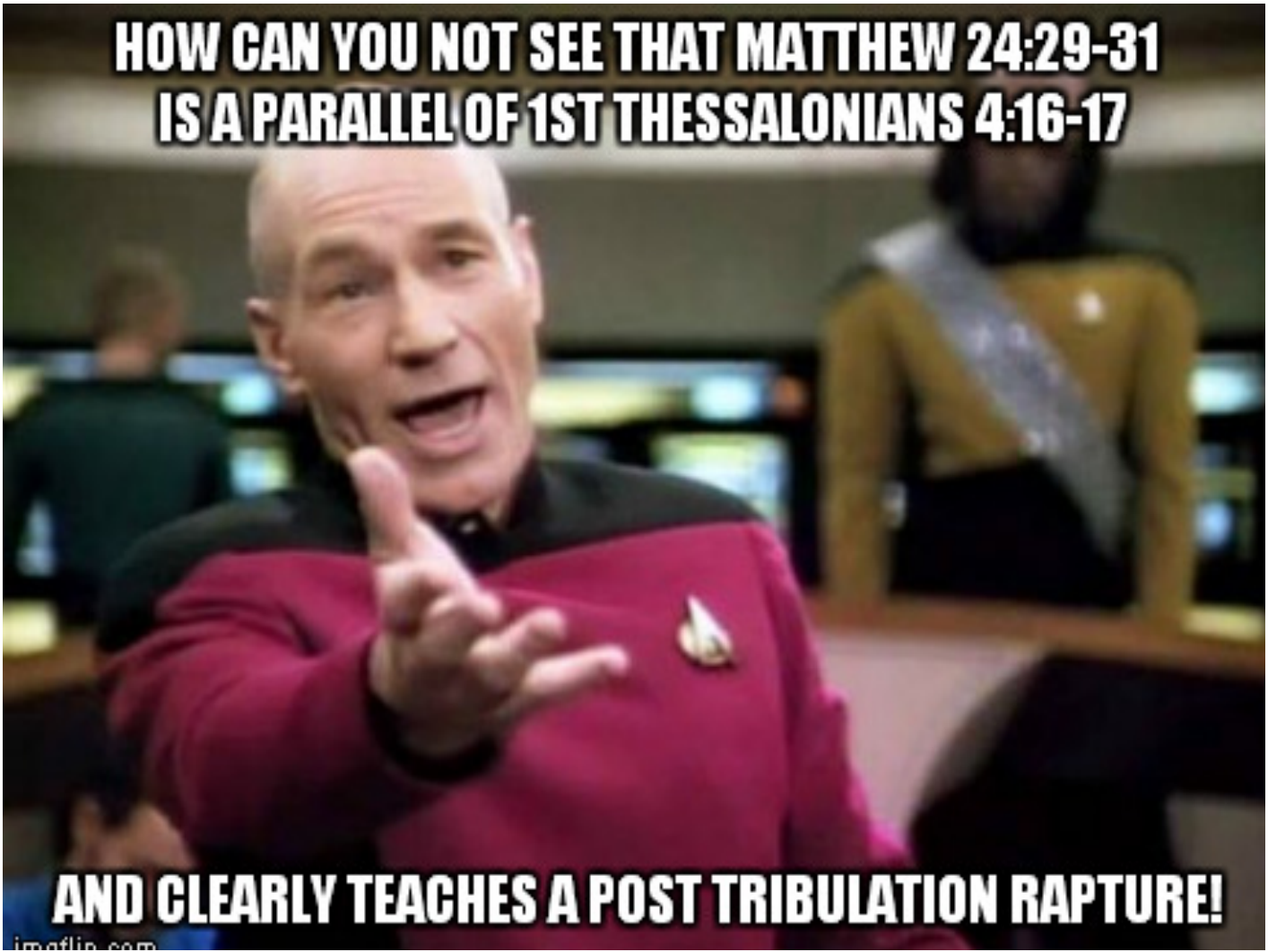
HOLY BIBLE
IS CALLING SOMETHING THAT CONDONES RAPE, MURDER, GENOCIDE AND SLAVERY "THE GOOD BOOK."

ONE DOES NOT SIMPLY
WALK ACROSS THE RED SEA

For God so loved the world
that the sun gives you cancer.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IS A PARALLEL OF 1ST THESSALONIANS 4:16-17
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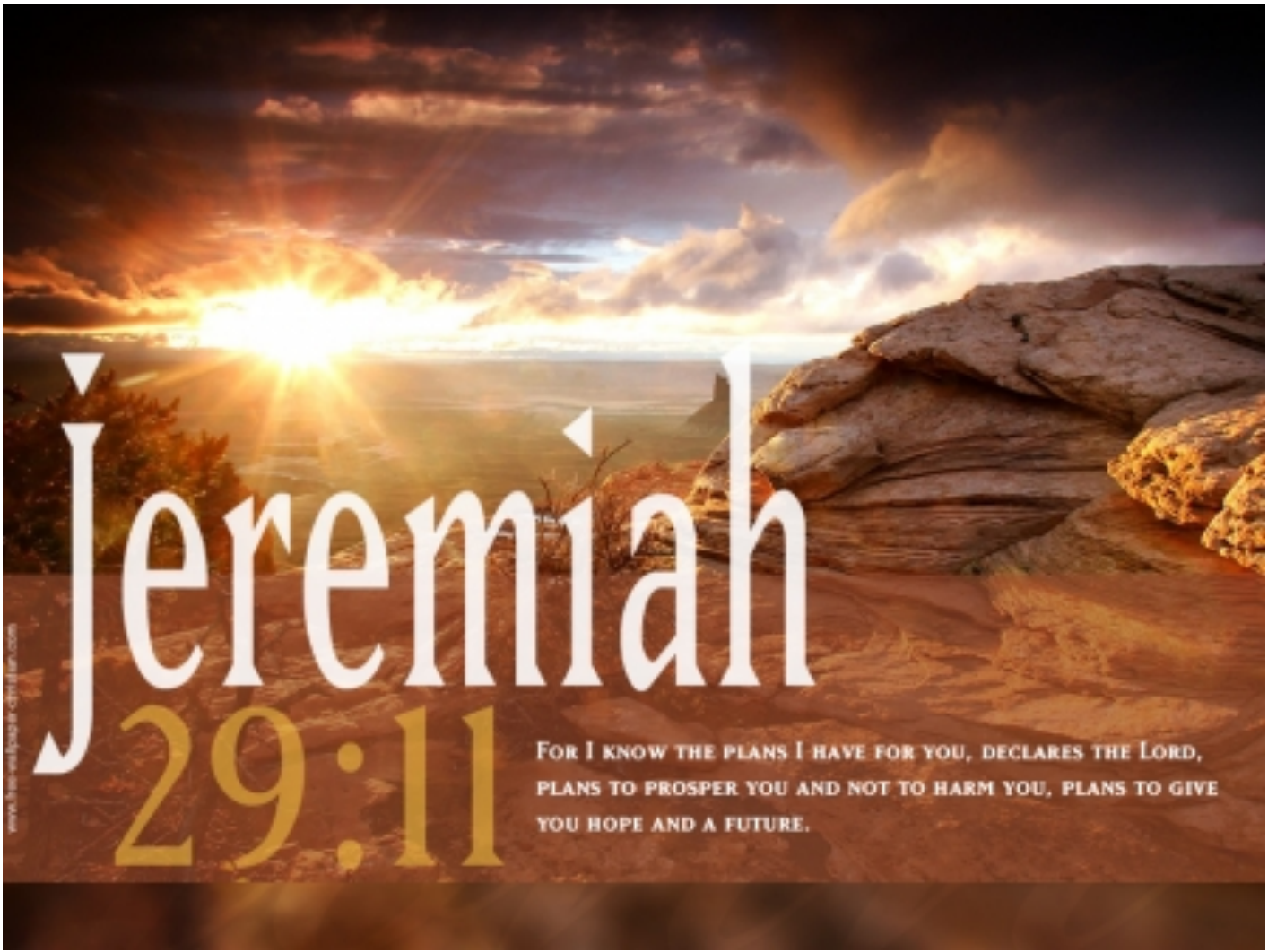
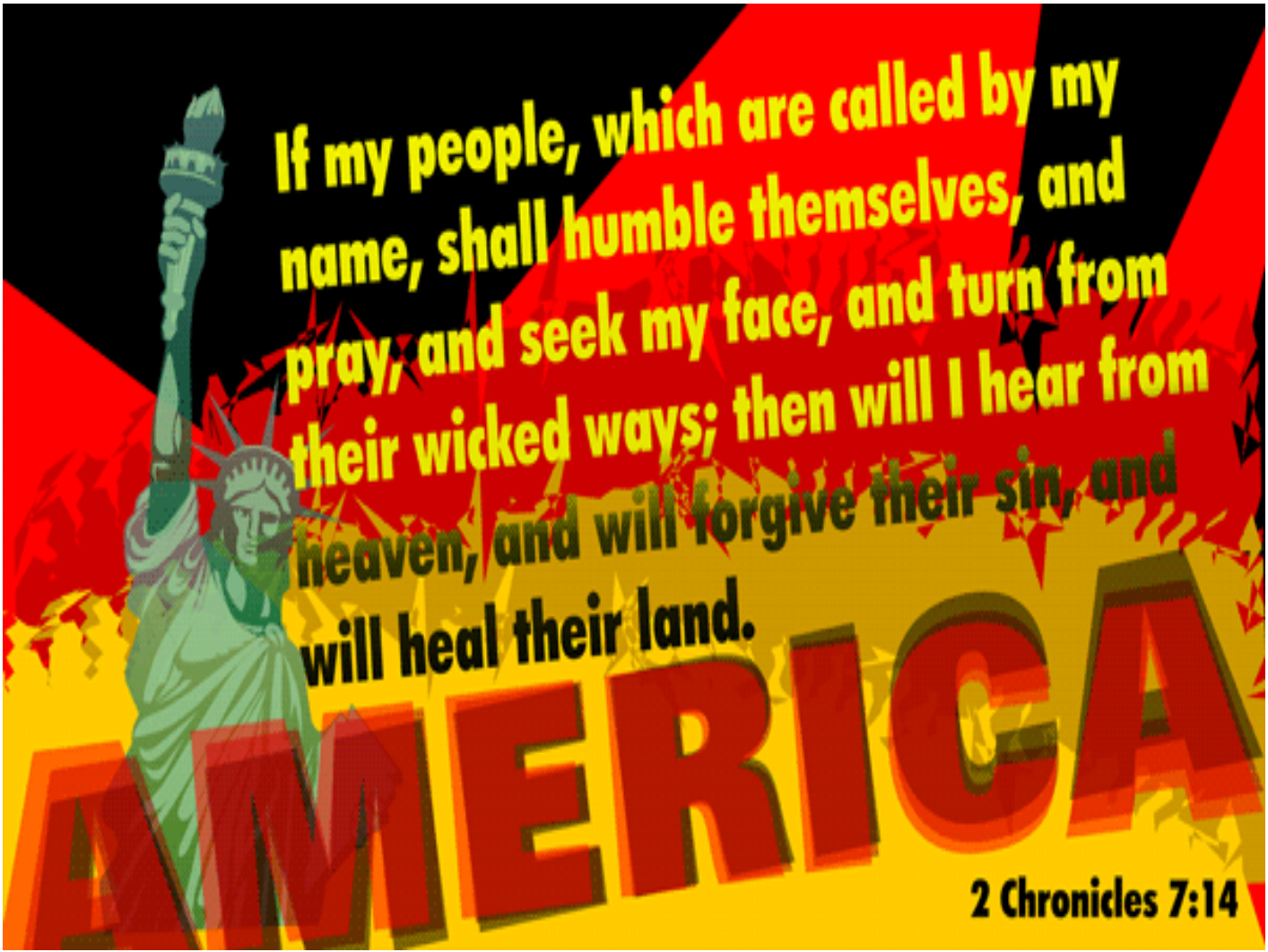

Jeremiah
29:11
For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.


If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.
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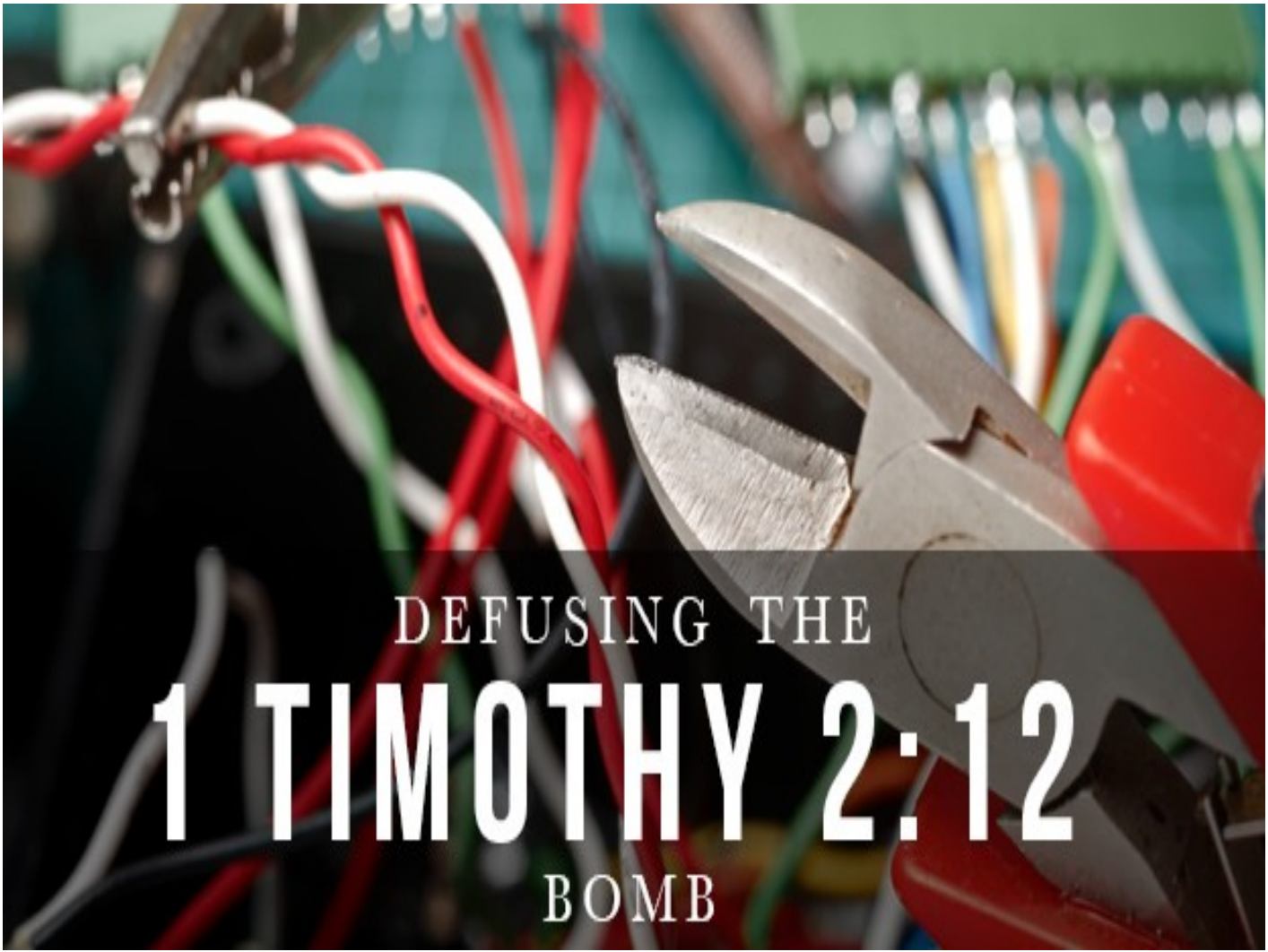
2 Chronicles 7:14

# 1 John 2:2

"And He Himself is the propitiation
for our sins, and not for ours
only but also for the whole world."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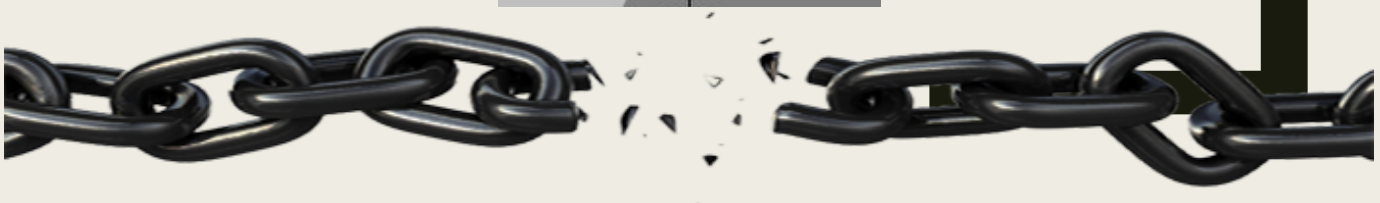
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