

Biblical Apologetics

Session II : Has God Spoken?

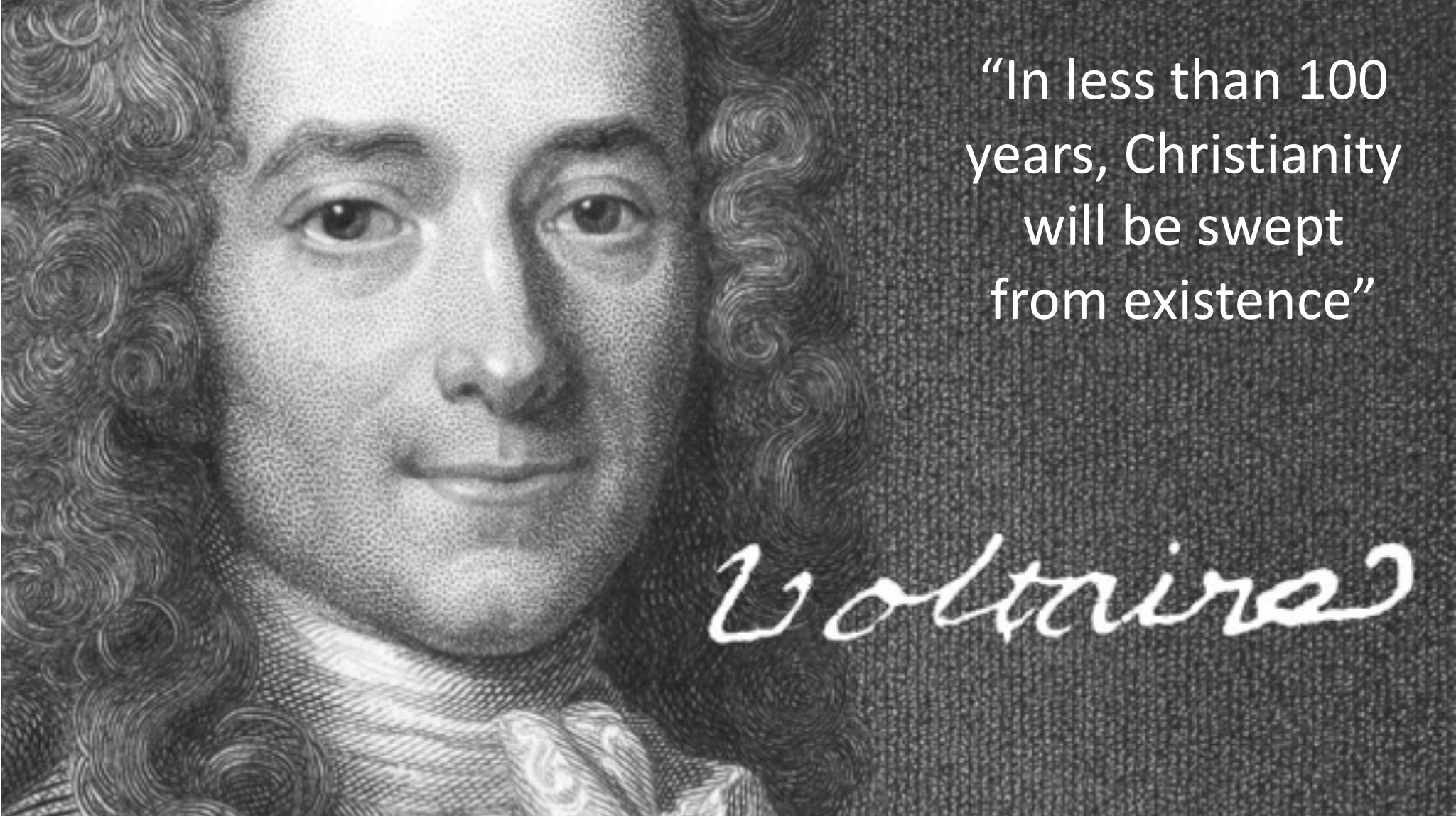
If God wrote a book, how would we know?



Unique in Survival

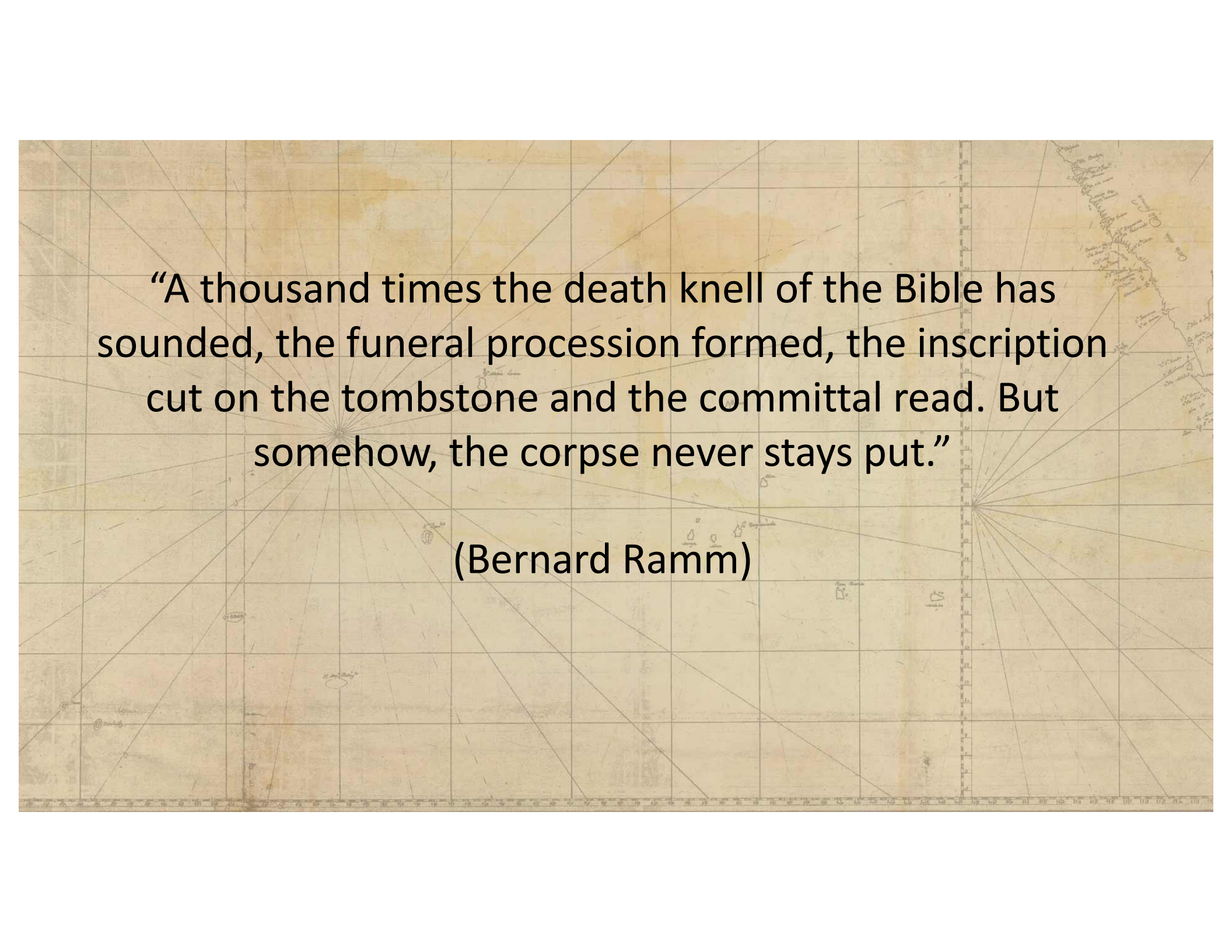




A black and white engraving of Voltaire's face, showing his characteristic long, curly hair and a slight smile. The image is the background for the text.

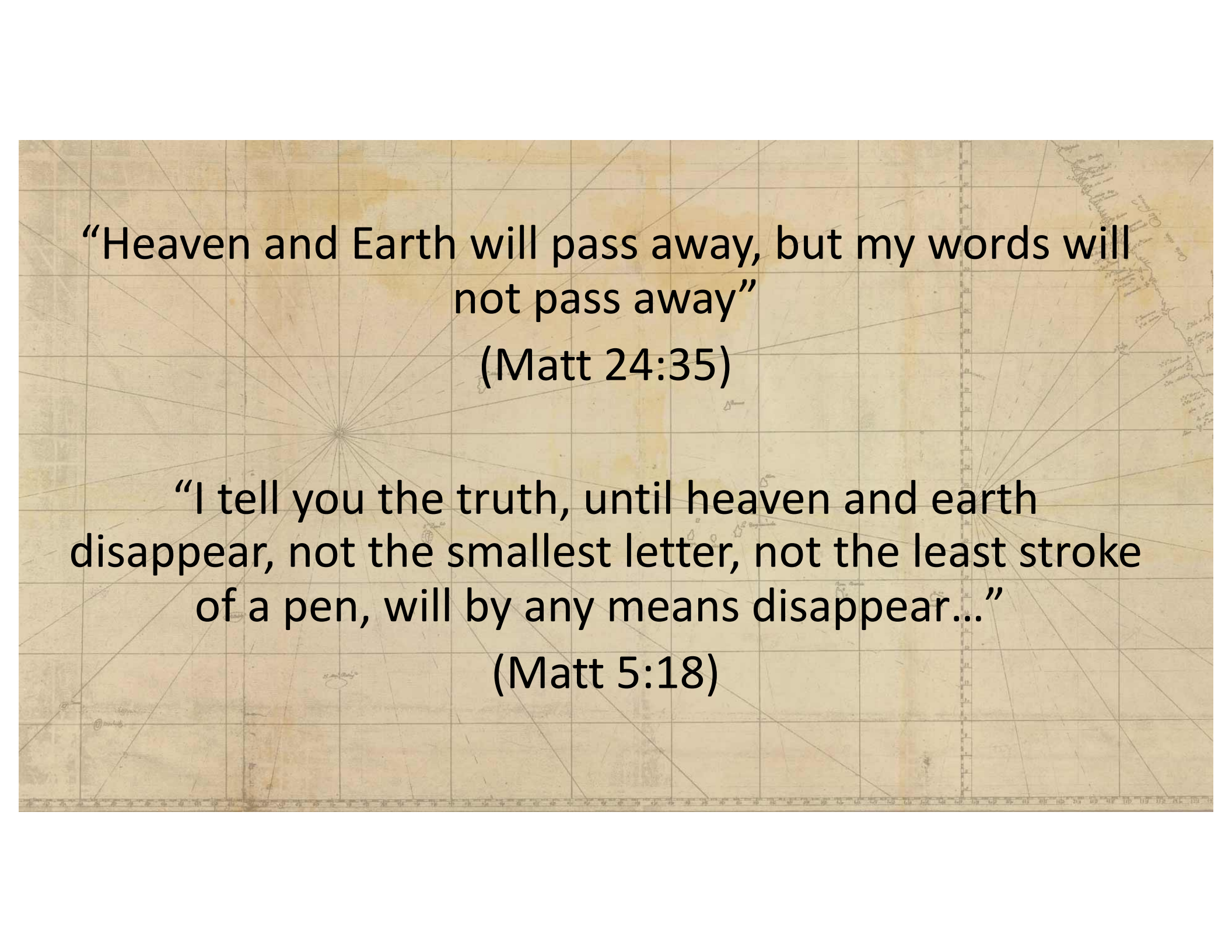
“In less than 100
years, Christianity
will be swept
from existence”

Voltaire



“A thousand times the death knell of the Bible has sounded, the funeral procession formed, the inscription cut on the tombstone and the committal read. But somehow, the corpse never stays put.”

(Bernard Ramm)



“Heaven and Earth will pass away, but my words will
not pass away”
(Matt 24:35)

“I tell you the truth, until heaven and earth
disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke
of a pen, will by any means disappear...”
(Matt 5:18)

Unique in Unity

It took approximately **1500** years to compose the Bible

Moses wrote around **1,400 BC** / John wrote around **90-95 AD**

The Bible consists of **66** different books written by **40** different authors

The Bible was composed in **3** languages on **3** different continents

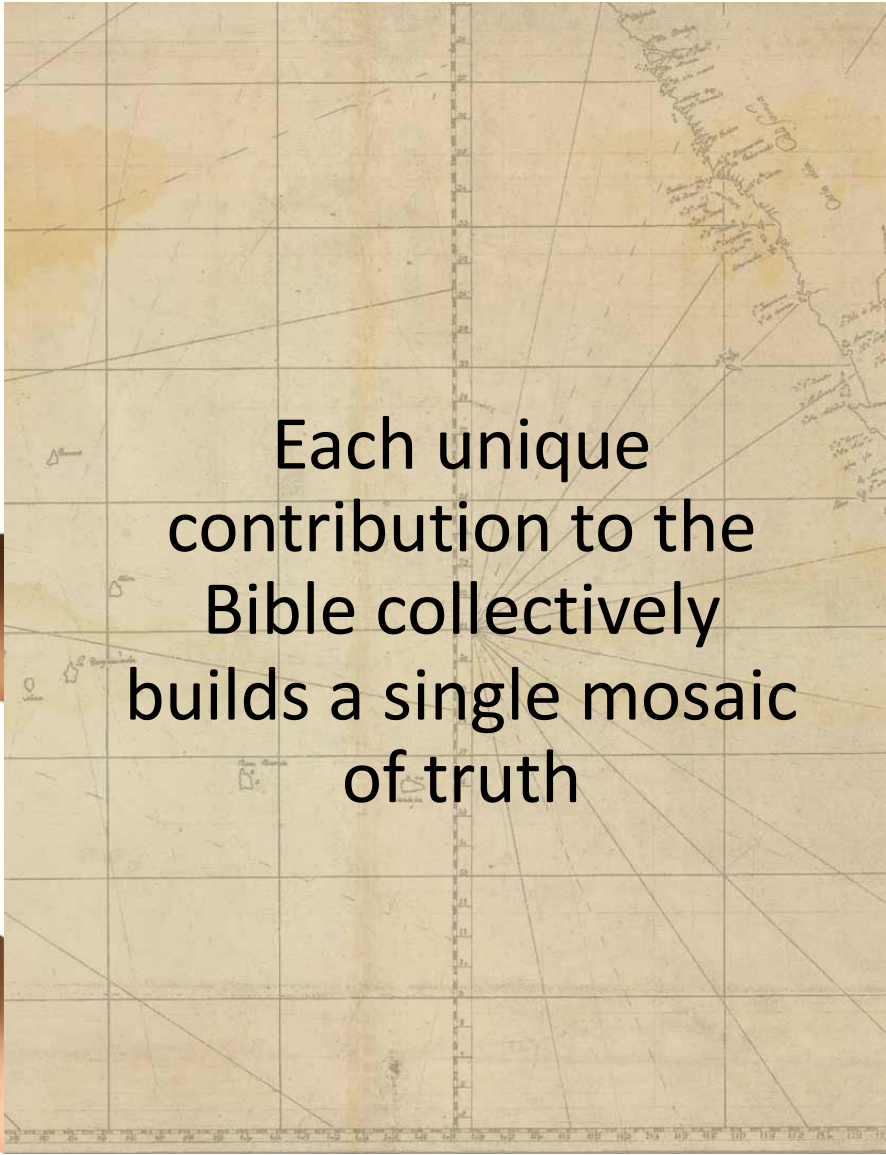
The central story of the Bible is Gods **Redemptive Plan** for mankind

The central figure of the Bible is the person of **Jesus Christ**

Luke 24:27

“And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them **what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.**”

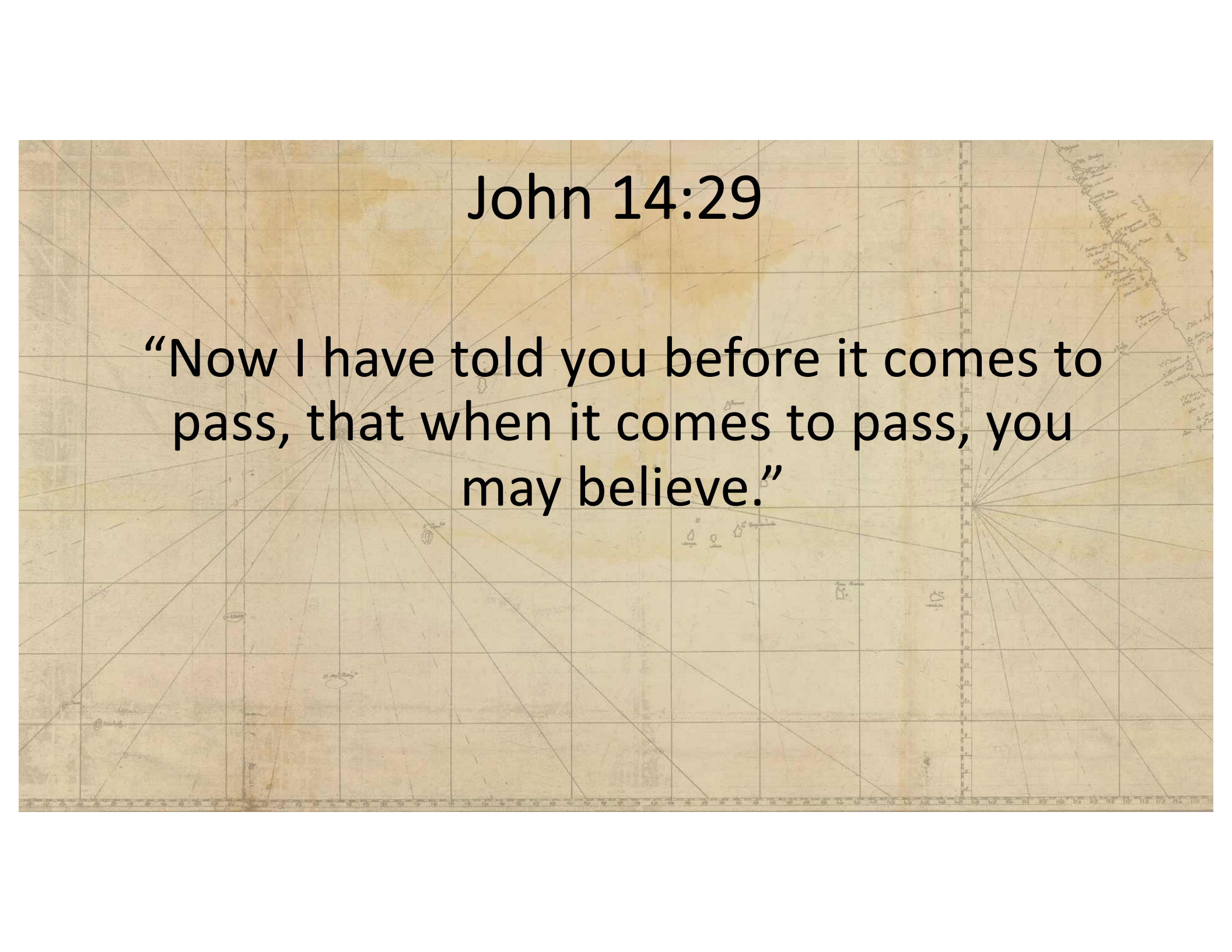


A background image of an old, textured map with a grid overlay. The map is aged and yellowed, with faint lines and text visible. The grid consists of thin, light-colored lines forming a rectangular pattern. The text is centered on the map.

Each unique
contribution to the
Bible collectively
builds a single mosaic
of truth

Predictive Prophecy





John 14:29

“Now I have told you before it comes to pass, that when it comes to pass, you may believe.”

Understanding the Odds?

1/10 men is bald

1/100 men is missing a finger

What are your mathematical chances of finding a bald man who is also missing a finger?

$$\begin{aligned} &1/10 \times 1/100 \\ &= 1/1,000 \end{aligned}$$

What are the mathematical odds that 8 of the Messianic Prophecies are fulfilled in the same person?

Born in Bethlehem (Micah 5:2)

Preceded by a forerunner (Mal 3:1)

Would enter Jerusalem as a king riding on a donkey (Zech 9:9)

Would have his hands wounded by his friends (Zech 13:6)

Would be betrayed for 30 pieces of silver (Zech 11:12)

The price of his betrayal would cast down in the house of the lord (Zech 11:13)

Would remain silent before his accusers (Isa 53:7)

His hands and his feet would be pierced (Psalm 22:16)

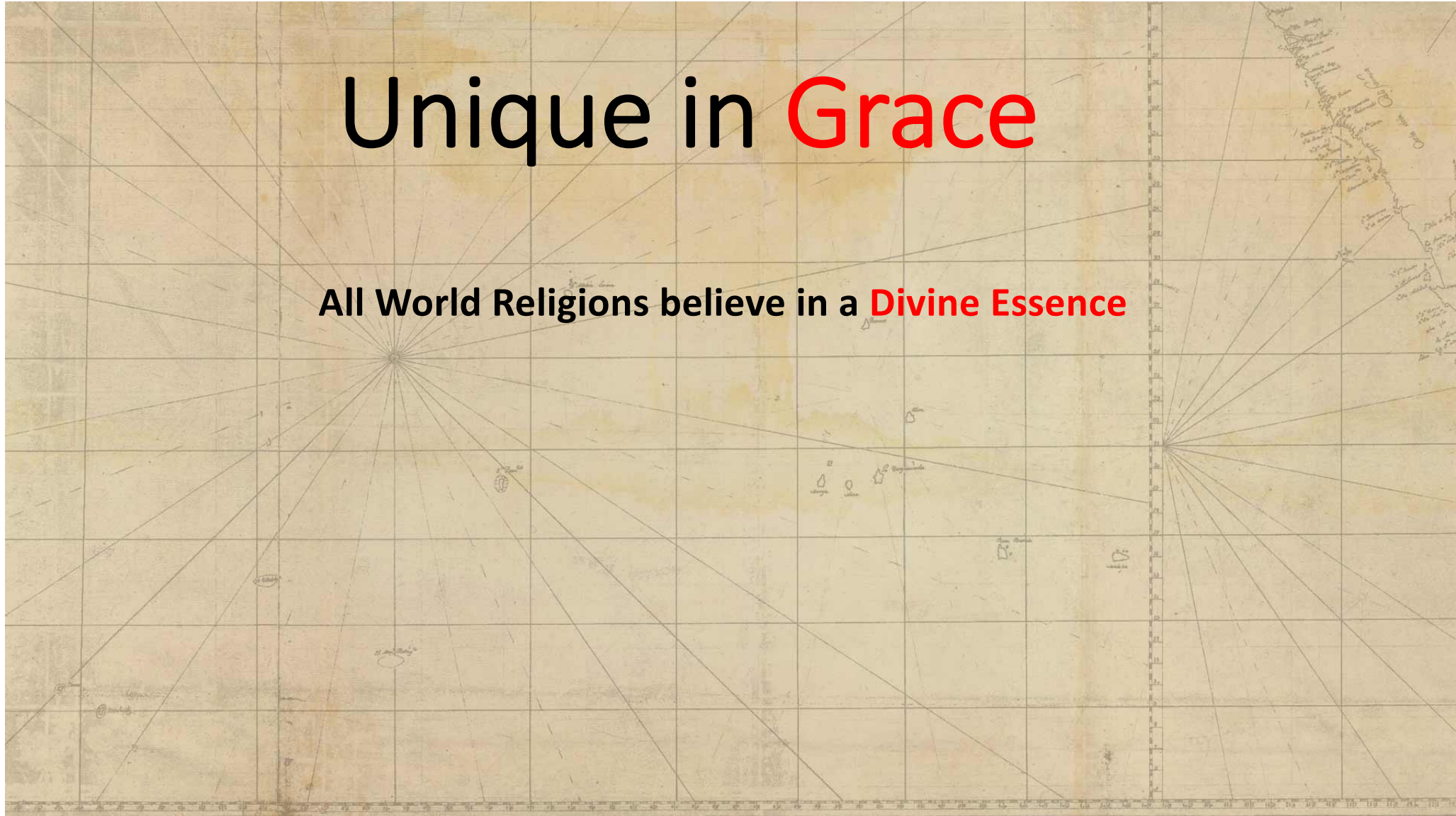
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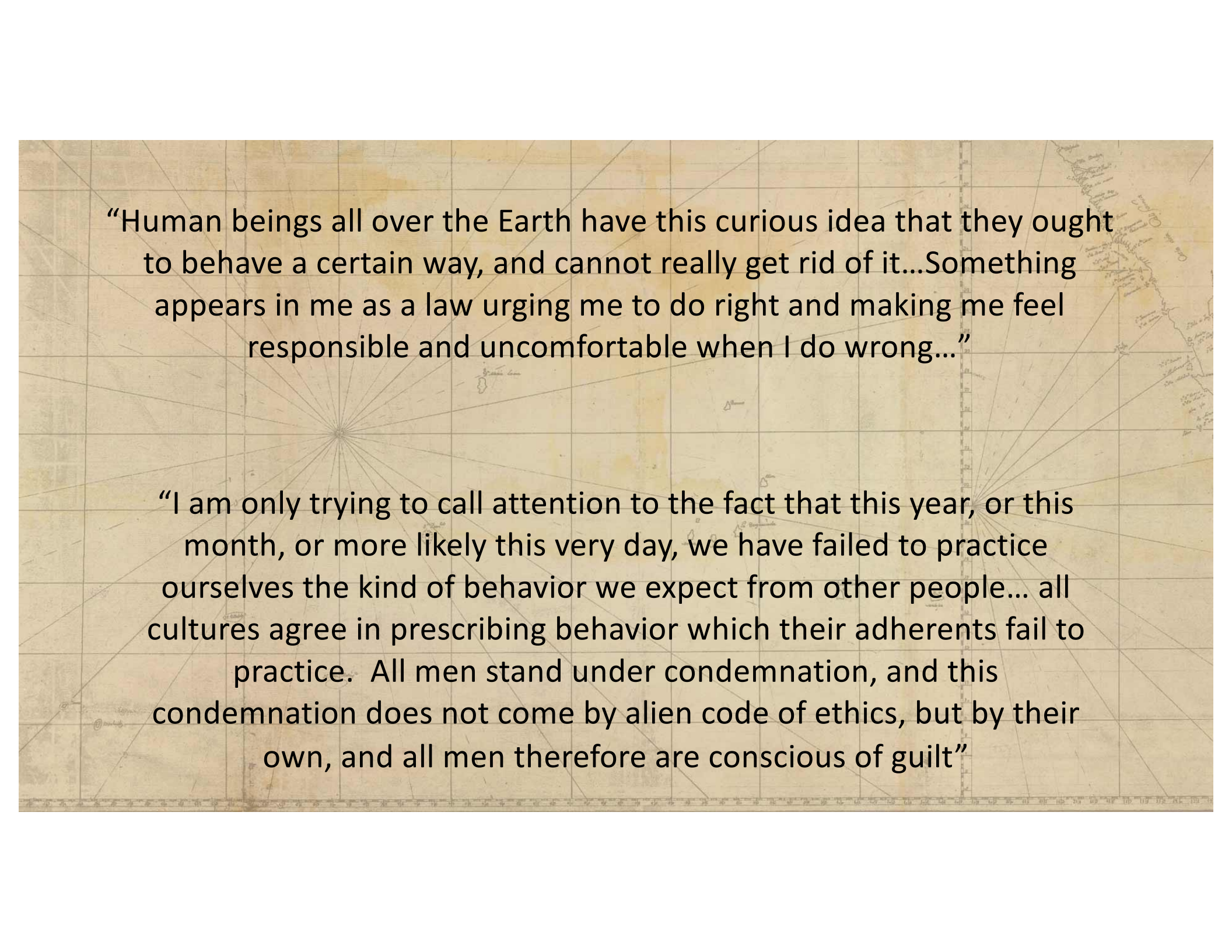
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All World Religions believe that there is a Moral Law



“Human beings all over the Earth have this curious idea that they ought to behave a certain way, and cannot really get rid of it...Something appears in me as a law urging me to do right and making me feel responsible and uncomfortable when I do wrong...”

“I am only trying to call attention to the fact that this year, or this month, or more likely this very day, we have failed to practice ourselves the kind of behavior we expect from other people... all cultures agree in prescribing behavior which their adherents fail to practice. All men stand under condemnation, and this condemnation does not come by alien code of ethics, but by their own, and all men therefore are conscious of guilt”



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Most World Religions believe YOU must EARN back your favor with God

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The Bible Is

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Next Week

How do we know the New Testament authors were trustworthy historians who only reported the truth?



Joseph	Shadows of Jesus in the Life of Joseph	Jesus
Gen 41:46	Rose to Public service at the age of 30	Luke 3:23
Gen 37:25	Taken to Egypt	Matt 2:14-15
Gen 39:16-18	Falsely accused	Matt 26:59-60
Gen 37:23	Had their robes taken from them	John 19:23
Gen 37:26-28	Betrayed for financial gain by a man named Judah	Matt 26:15
Gen 40:2-3	Placed between two criminals, one who would be saved, the other lost	Luke 23:32
Gen 41:41	Exalted after suffering	Phil 2:9-11
Gen 45:7	Saved their nation	Matt 1:21
Gen 41:39	Rose to the right hand of power	Rom 8:34
Gen 45:1-15	Extended forgiveness to those who wronged them	Luke 23:34
Gen 50:20	What men did to harm them God used for a greater good	1Cor 2:7-8