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WARNING AGAINST REFUSING THE LORD

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God's
Riches
At
Christ's
Expense

Eph2: 8 For by grace you have been saved through
faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God;
9 not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

OVERVIEW OF HEBREWS

HEBREWS – THE SUPREMACY OF JESUS CHRIST

SUPREMACY OVER OT OFFICES C1-7

OT OFFICES

C 1 - 2

Messenger; from God to man
such as angel & prophets

C 3 - 4

Deliverer; of God for man
such as Moses & Joshua

C 5 - 7

Mediator; between God & man
such as Priesthood

SUPREMACY OVER OT ORDERS C8-10

OT ORDER

C 8 Covenant

C 9 Tabernacle

C 10 Sacrifice

SUPREMACY IN THE SAINTS C11-13

THROUGH FAITH

C11

Faith defined

C12

Faith developed

C13

Faith

demonstrated

5 Warnings:



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3. Against
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Text:

= Heb 12:18-29





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- Still having the darkened
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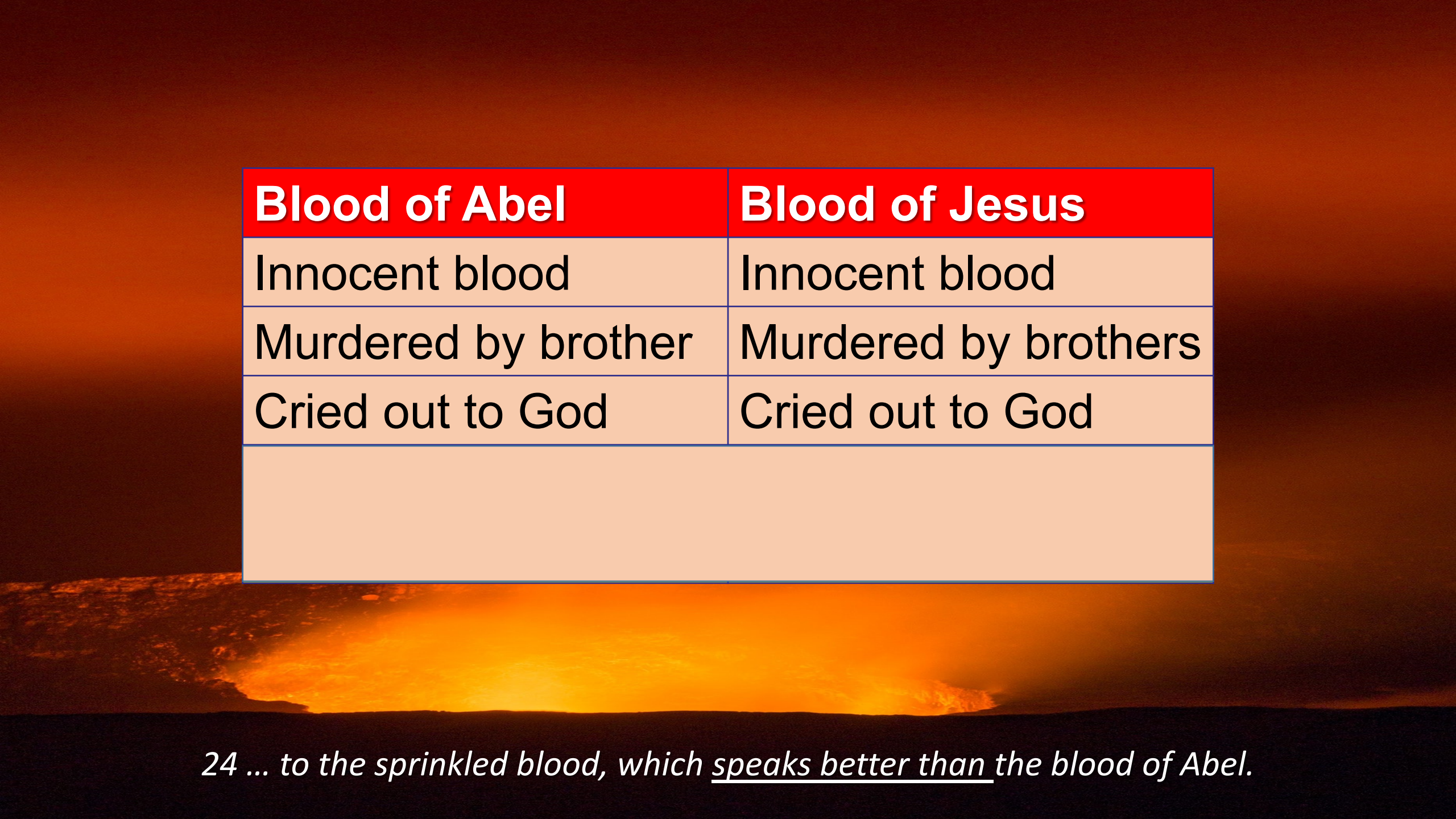
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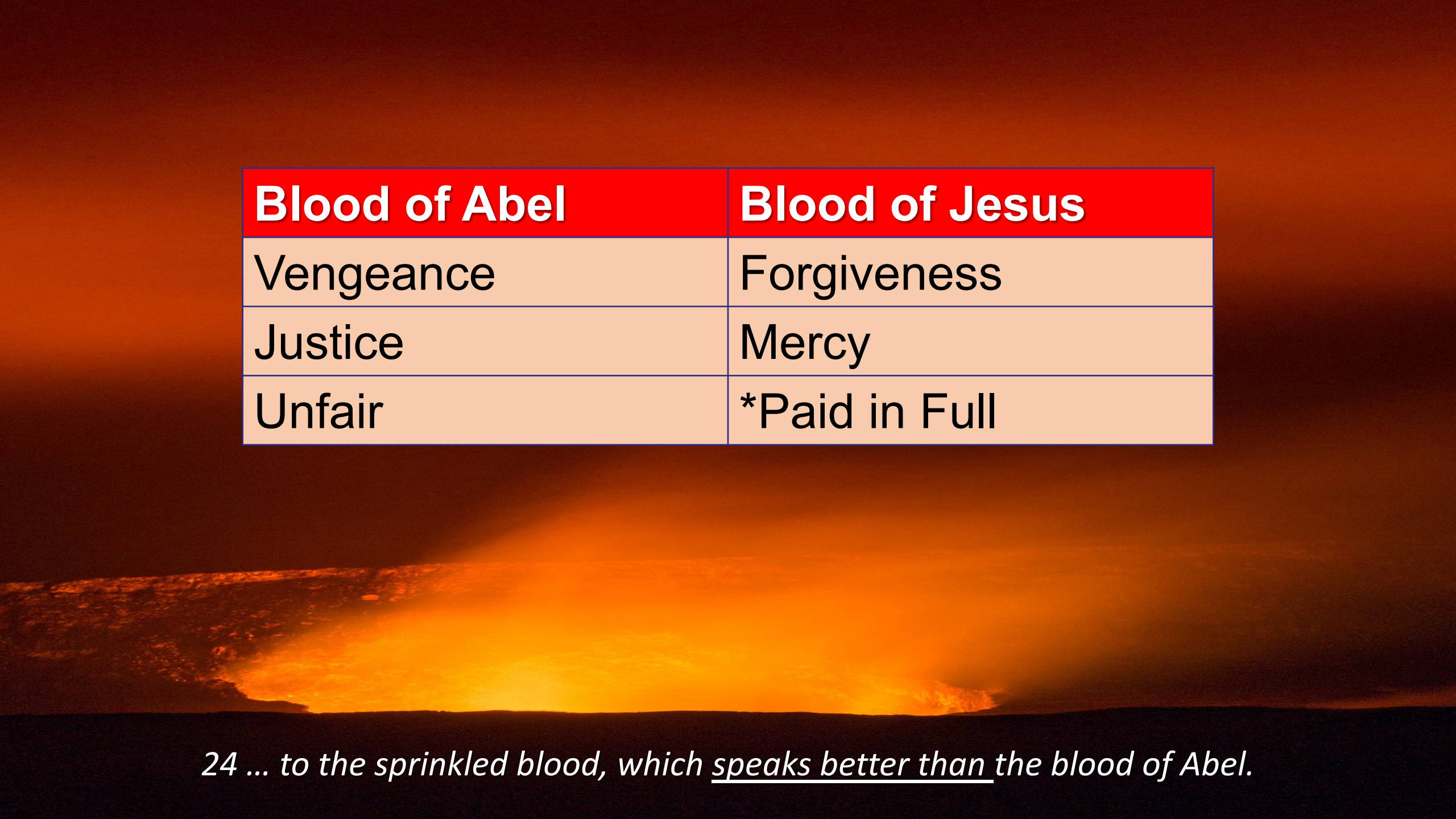
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Murdered by brother	Murdered by brothers
Cried out to God	Cried out to God

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Unfair	*Paid in Full

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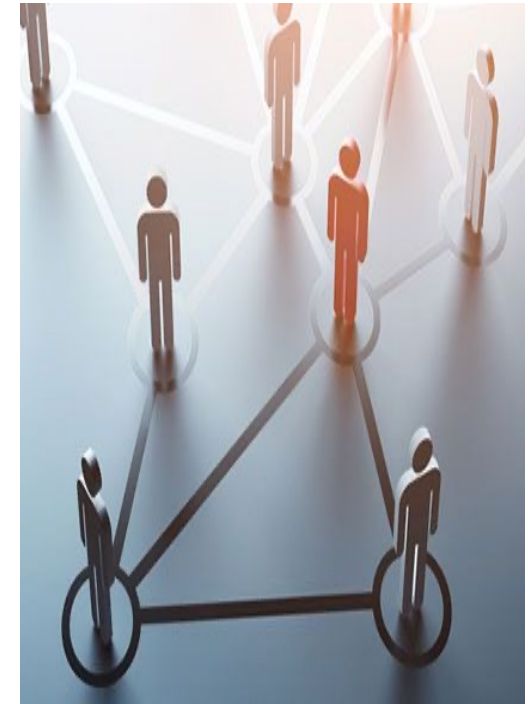
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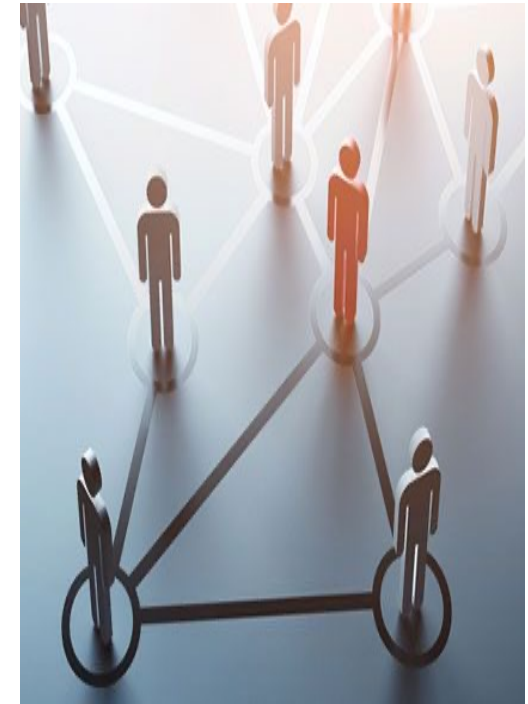
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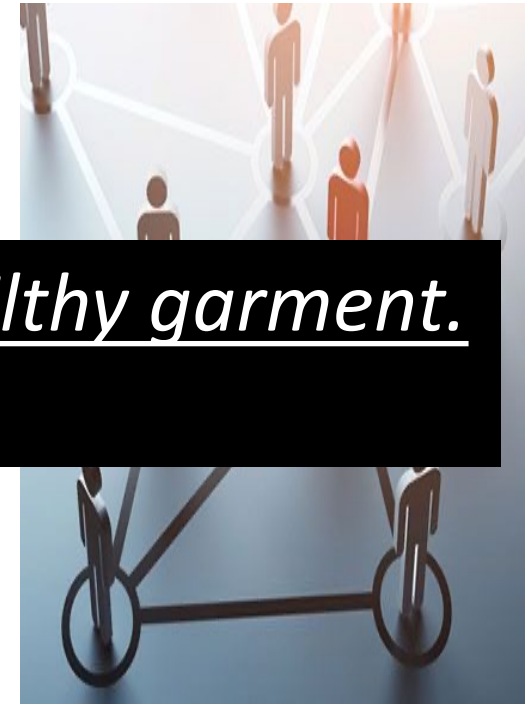
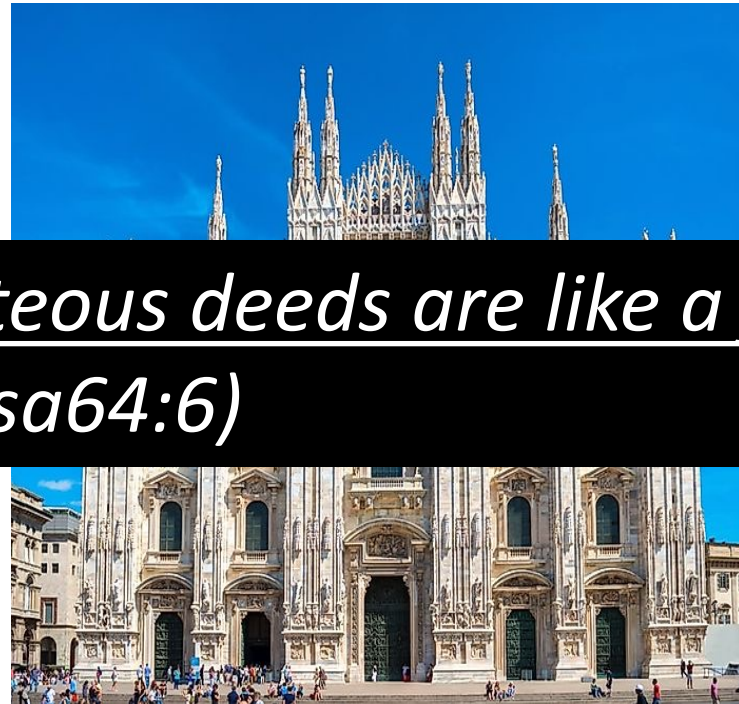


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Without Jesus, and *all our righteous deeds are like a filthy garment.*
(Isa64:6)

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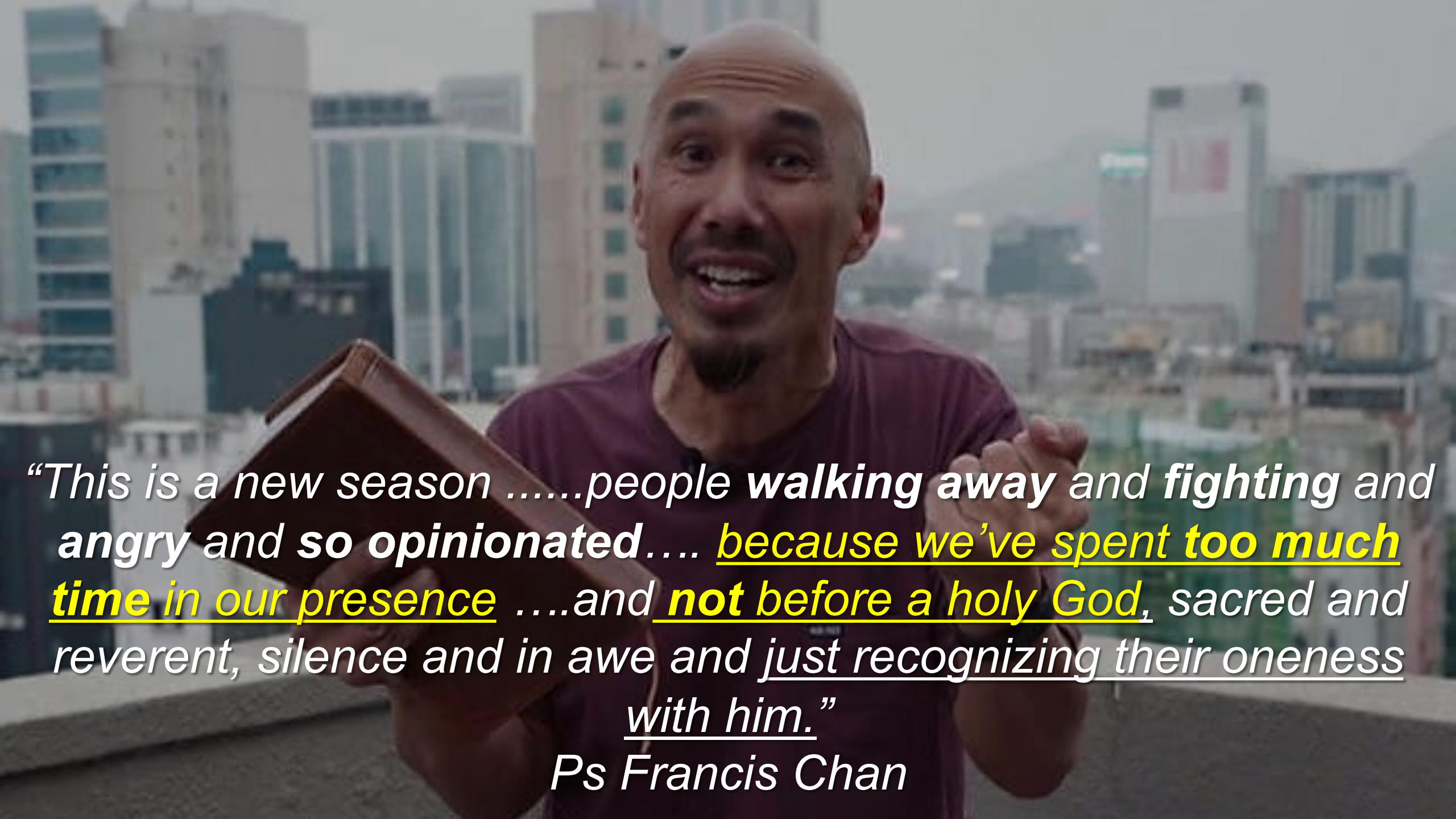
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Grace in the book of Hebrews

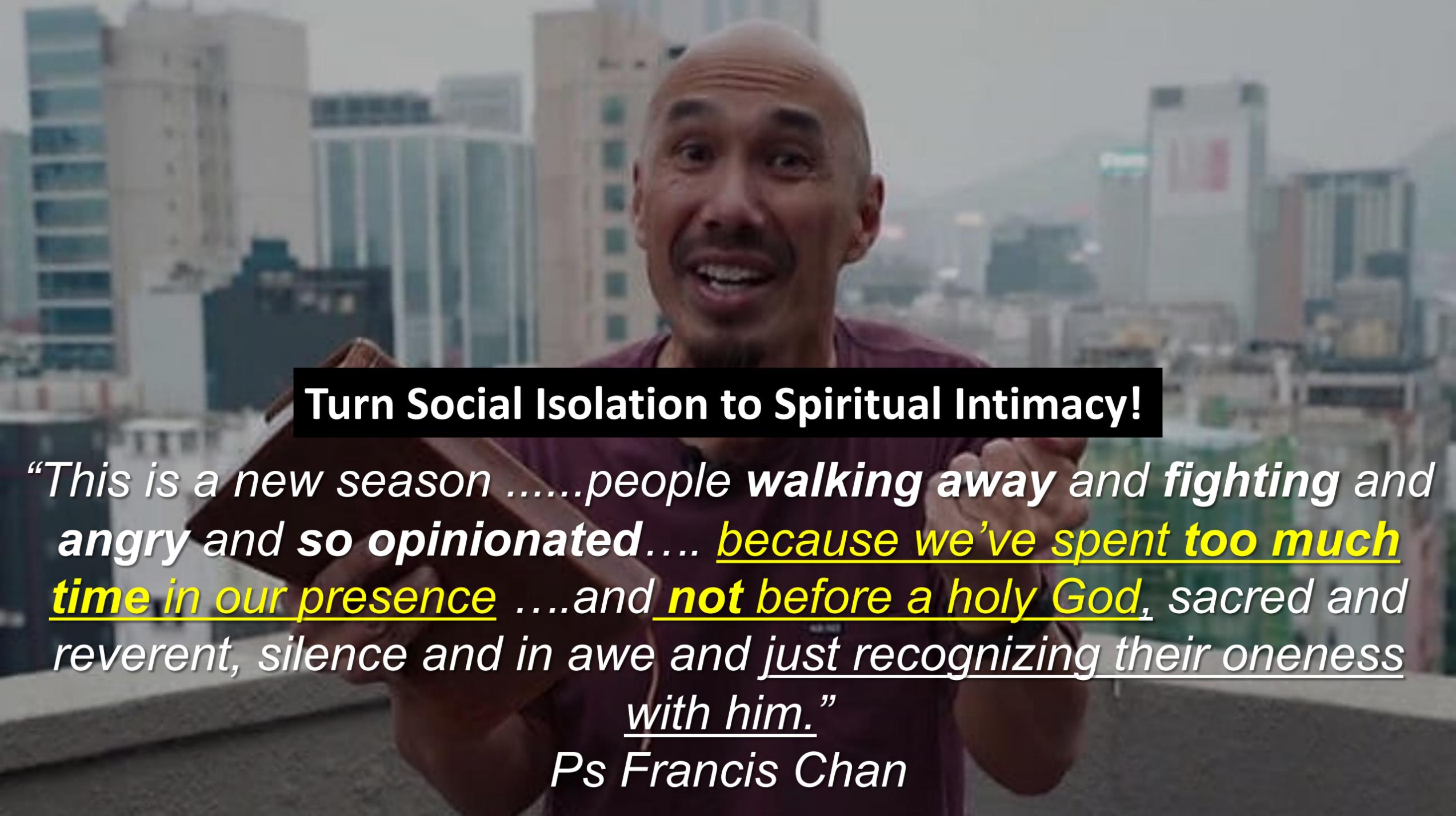
- Heb 4:16 *Therefore let us draw near with confidence to **the throne of grace**, so that we may receive mercy and **find grace** to help in time of need.*



A man with a shaved head and a goatee, wearing a maroon t-shirt, is holding a brown leather-bound book. He is standing on a rooftop with a city skyline in the background. He has a surprised or excited expression on his face, with his mouth open and eyes wide. The text is overlaid on the image, with some words in yellow and some underlined.

*“This is a new seasonpeople **walking away** and **fighting** and **angry** and so **opinionated**.... because we’ve spent too much time in our presenceand not before a holy God, sacred and reverent, silence and in awe and just recognizing their oneness with him.”*

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Turn Social Isolation to Spiritual Intimacy!

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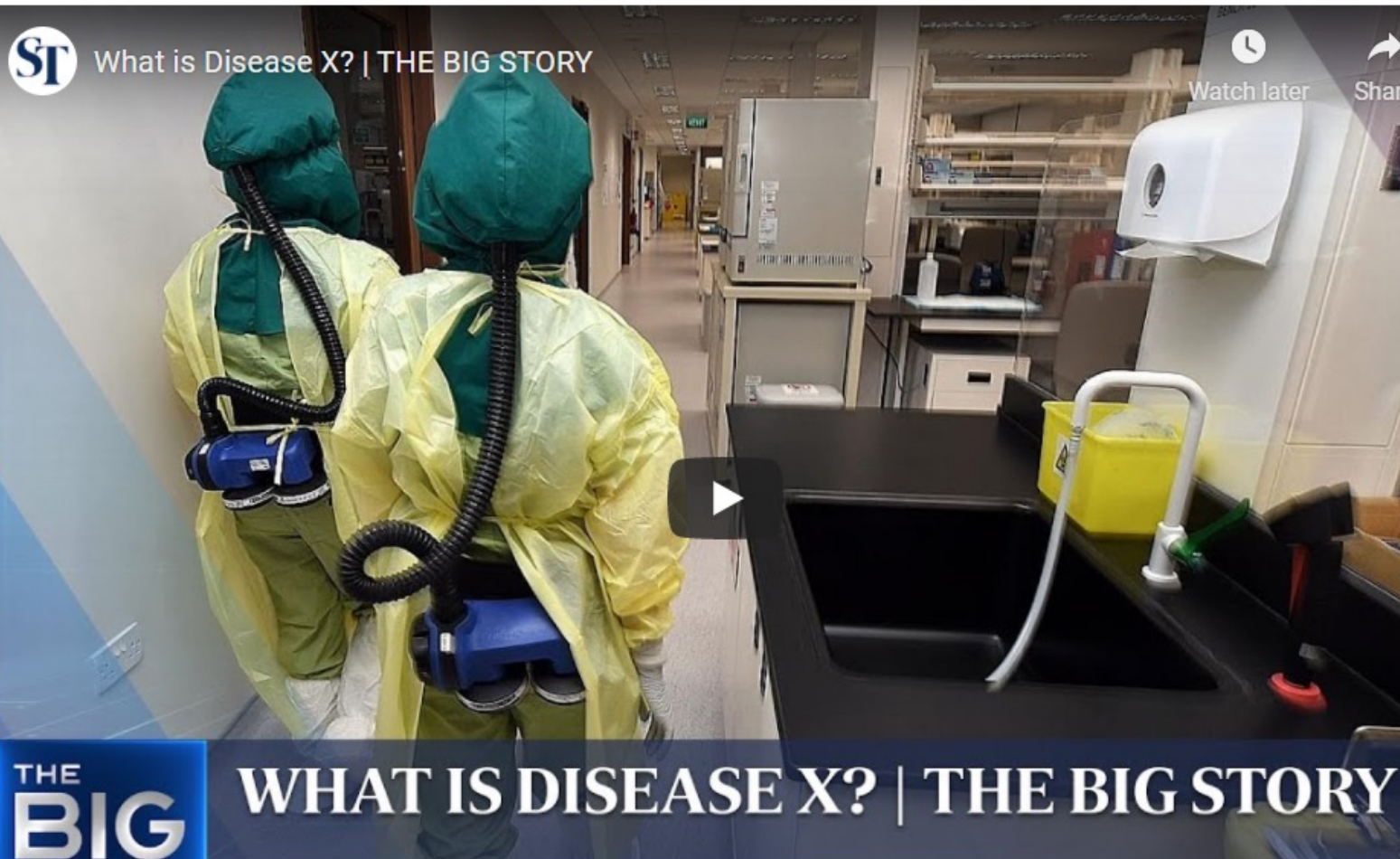
For thus says the Lord of hosts, 'Once more in a little while, I am going to shake the heavens and the earth, the sea also and the dry land.

Haggai 2:21

“Speak to Zerubbabel governor of Judah, saying, ‘I am going to shake the heavens and the earth.”

Deadlier than Covid-19: Consider Disease X as a serious threat, say experts

Spectre of new unknown disease should drive nation's preparedness for a deadlier outbreak




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Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong raised the spectre of the emergence of Disease X during the debate on the President's Address in Parliament on Wednesday.

He warned that it is only a matter of time before Disease X happens, saying that Covid-19 is by far not the worst new disease that can befall mankind.

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*This refers to **the spiritual nature of the new covenant**. It is the last and permanent covenant between God and His people.*

Utey, R. J. (1999). The Superiority of the New Covenant: Hebrews (Vol. Volume 10, p. 133). Marshall, Texas: Bible Lessons International.

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Deut 31:6

6 Be strong and courageous, do not be afraid or tremble at them, for the Lord your God is the one who goes with you. He will not fail you or forsake you.”



Lost her father at 21, widowed at 37, yet F&B CEO Jocelyn Chng says God never left her

*“If you think that God wants you to take on a project, then go and get it. There’s nothing too big for Him. God can move mountains.”
(Mark 11:23)*



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I hear the savior say
Thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness, watch and pray
Find in me thine all in all

(Chorus)

Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow

Lord, now indeed I find
Thy power and thine alone
Came and changed the lepers spots
And it melt the heart of stone

And when before the throne
I stand in him complete
Jesus died my soul to save
My lips shall still repeat

(Bridge)

Oh He washed
Yeah He washed it white as snow
Oh, praise the one who paid my debt
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