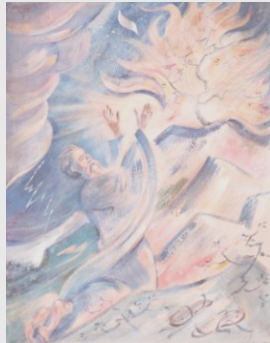
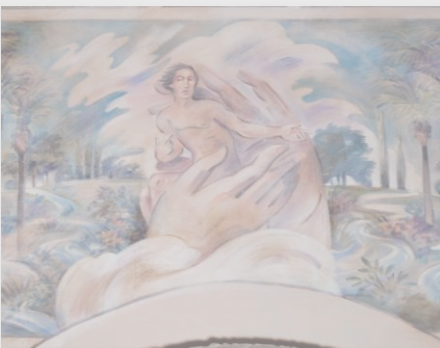
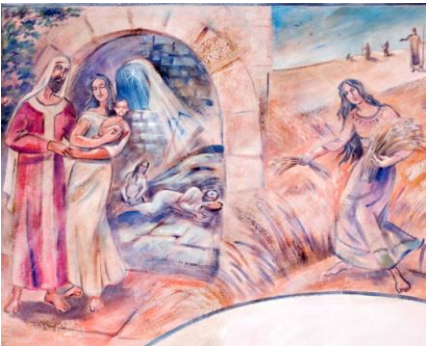
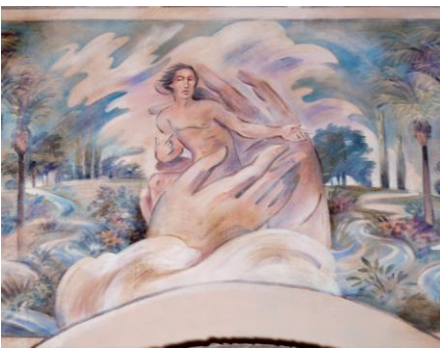




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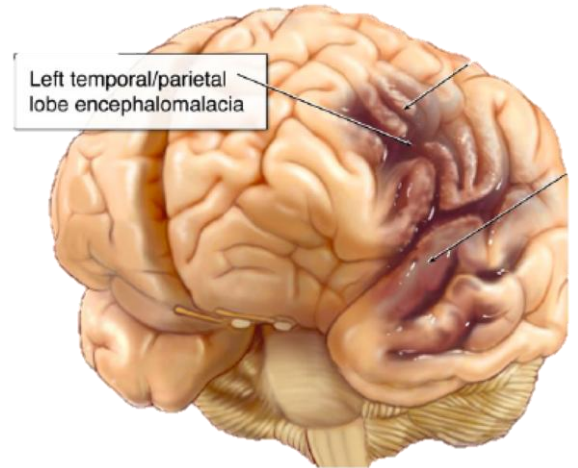
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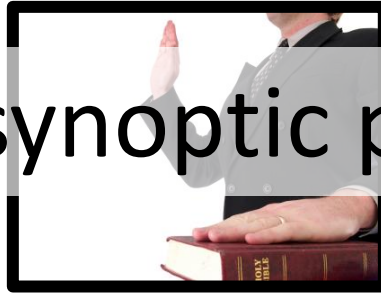


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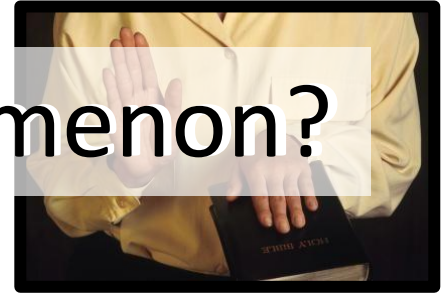
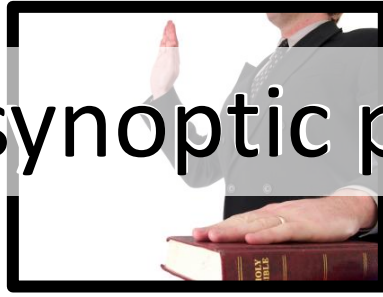




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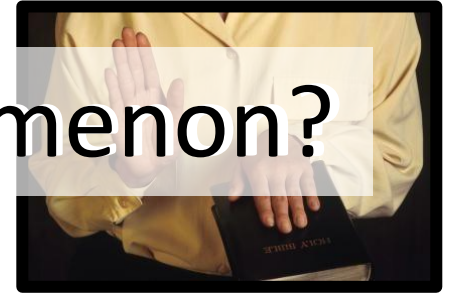
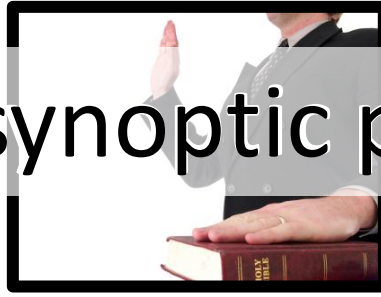
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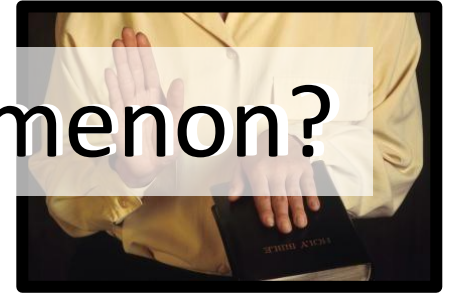
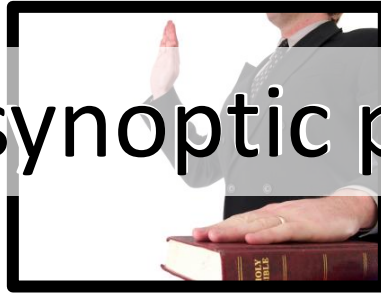
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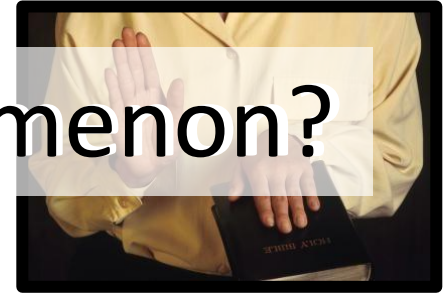
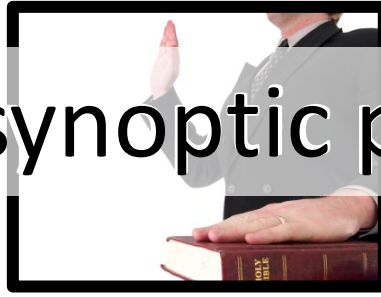
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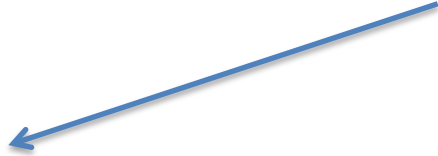
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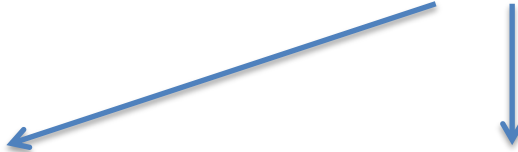


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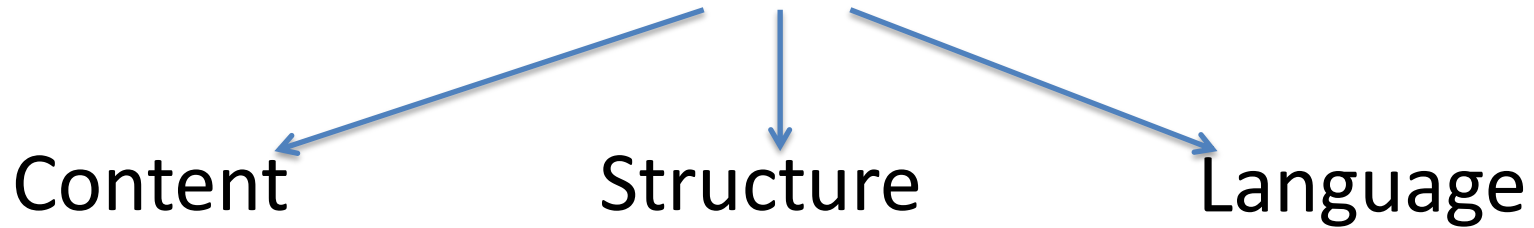


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MARK

661 verses

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Content



A blue arrow points from the 'Content' box to the 'MARK 661 verses' oval. A vertical blue line is positioned to the right of the oval.

MARK
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Content



The diagram illustrates the relationship between the 'Content' of the Gospels and the specific material in the Gospel of Mark. A yellow rectangular box labeled 'Content' is positioned on the left. A blue arrow points from this box towards a light blue oval on the right. The oval is labeled 'MARK 661 verses' and is outlined with a thick yellow border. Two additional blue arrows originate from the left side of the oval and point outwards to the left, suggesting a flow or relationship between the content and the specific verses.

MARK
661 verses

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606 are in
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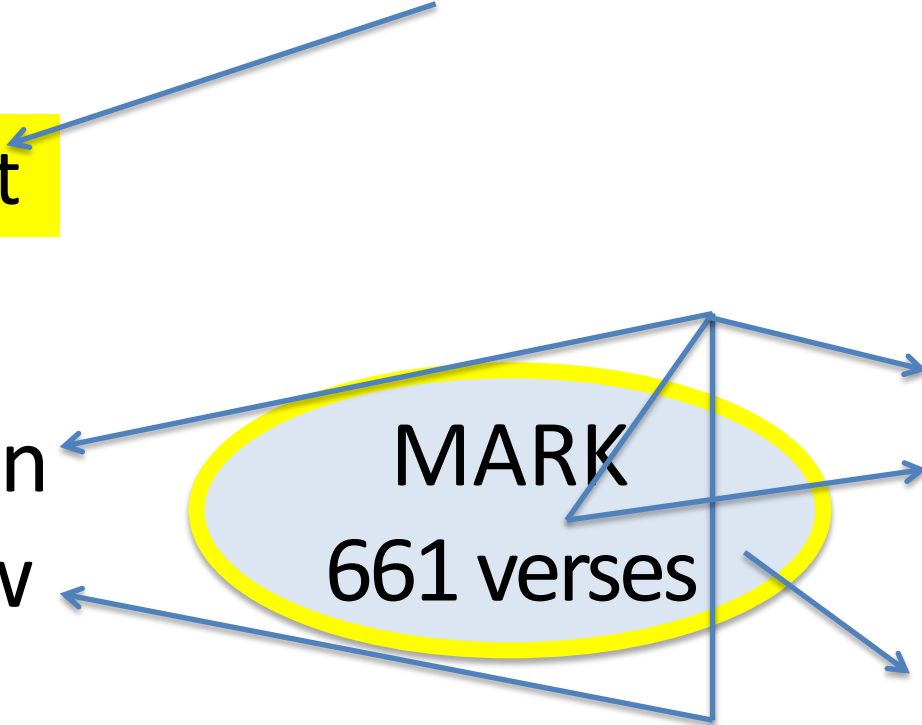
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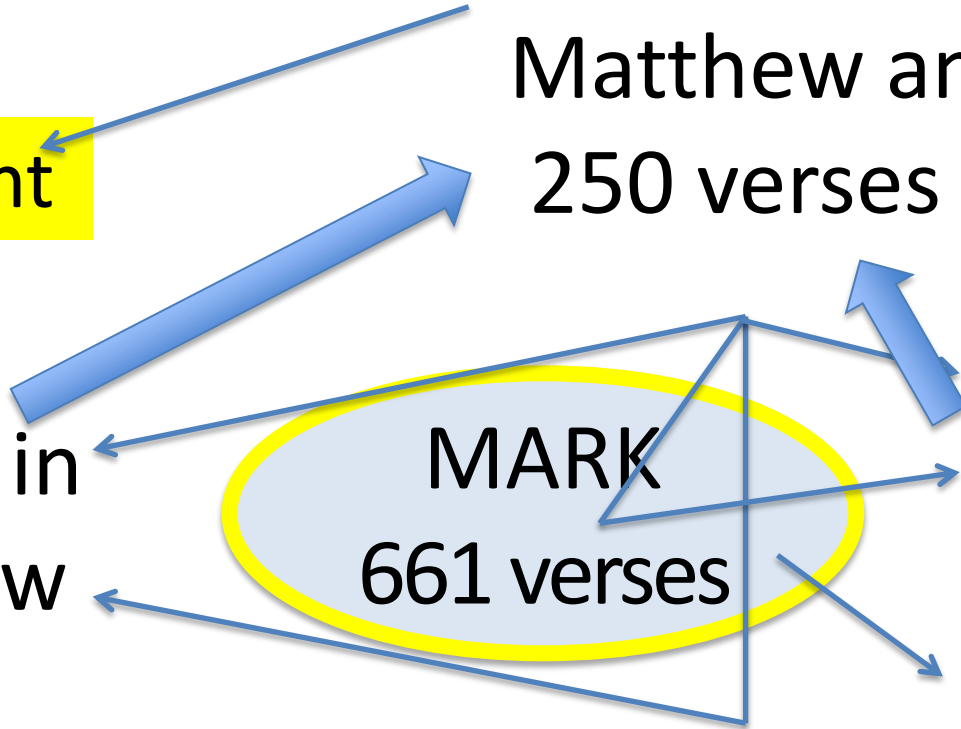
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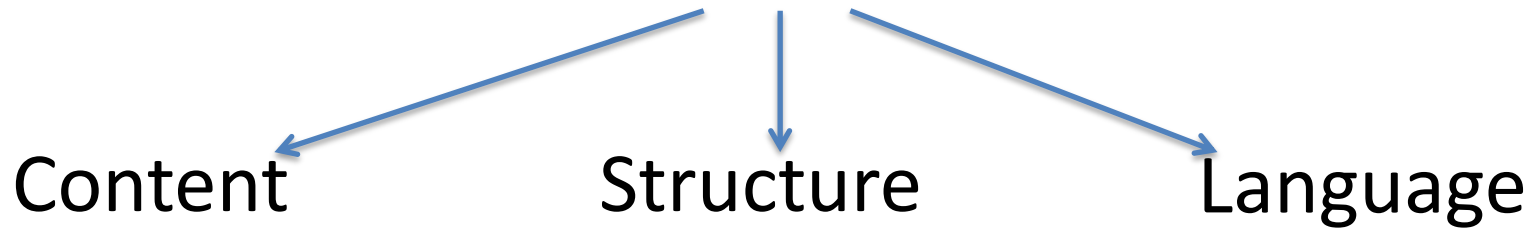
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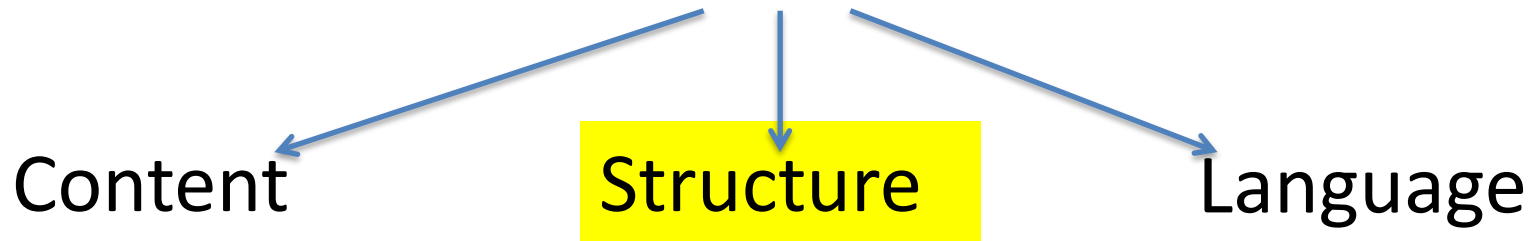
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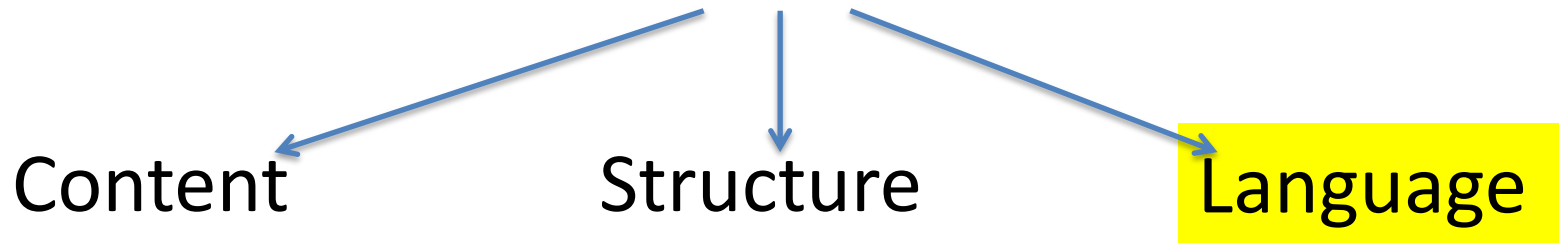
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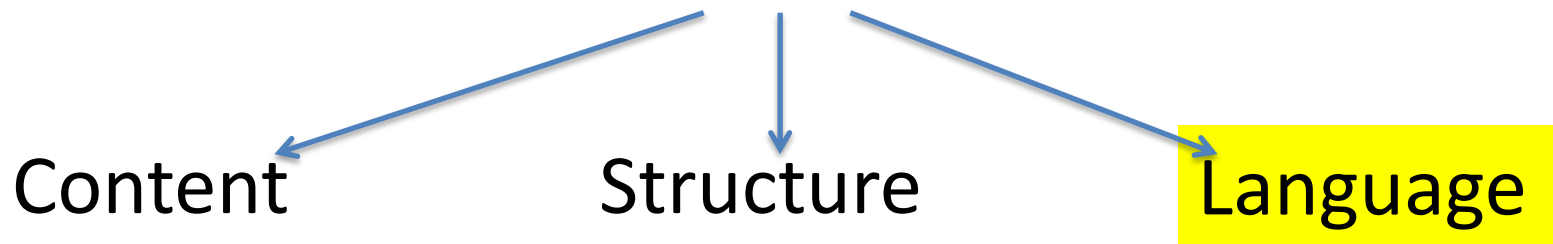
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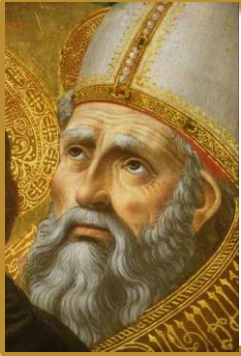


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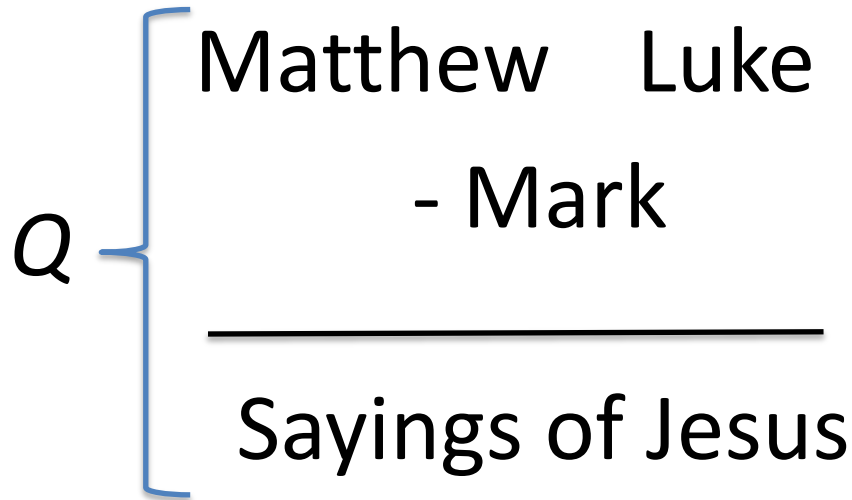
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BUT...

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And more!

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Lanier Rule of Court:
**A GOOD WITNESS IS A
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(Consistency)**

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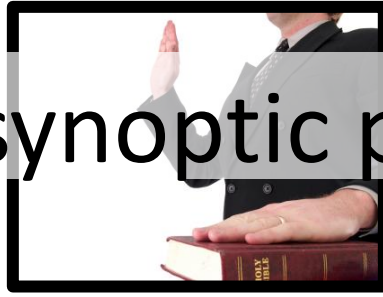
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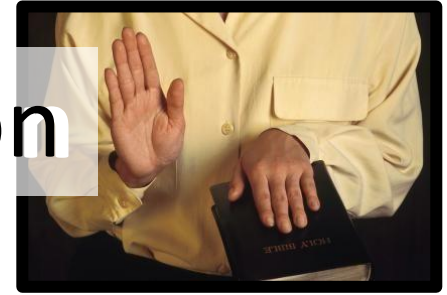
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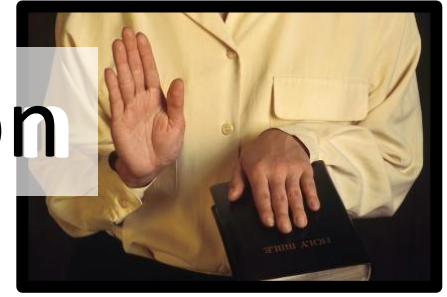
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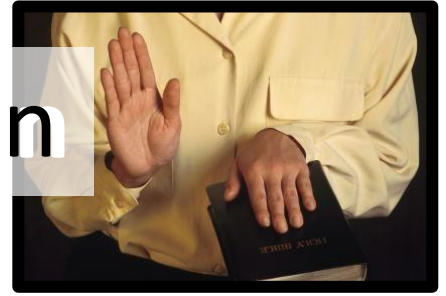
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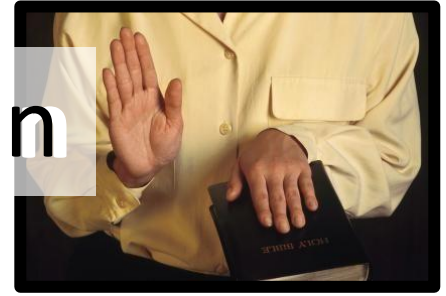


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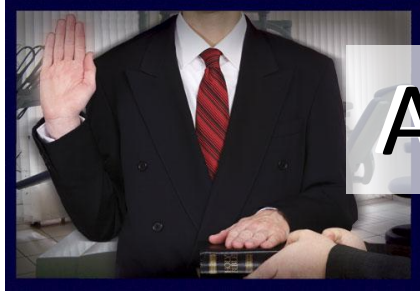




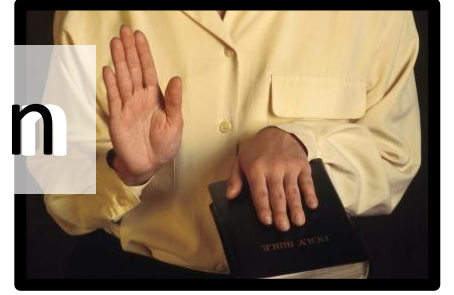
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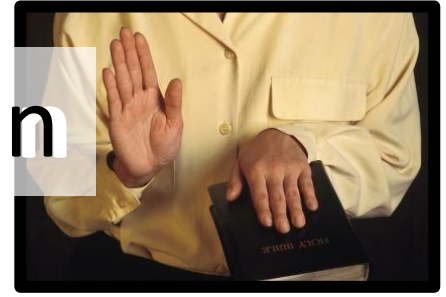


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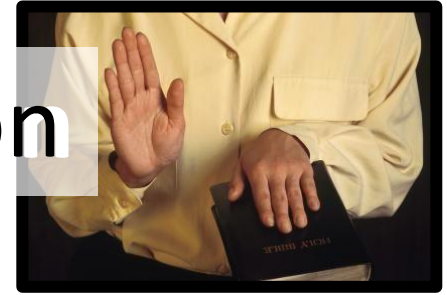
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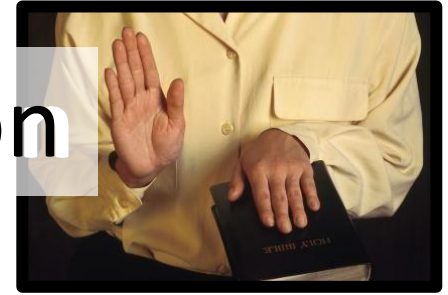


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integrate but be vigilant to
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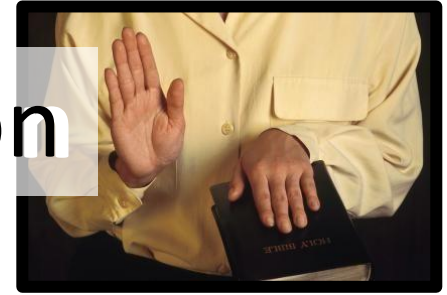
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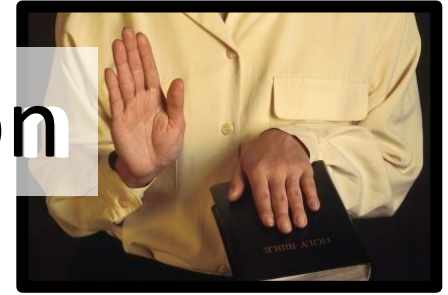
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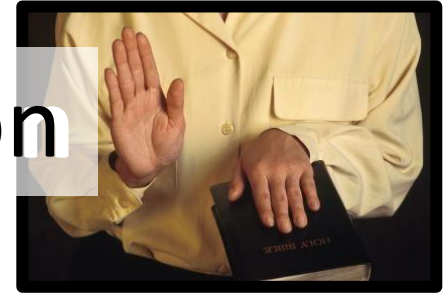
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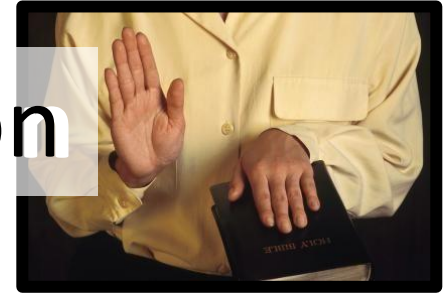
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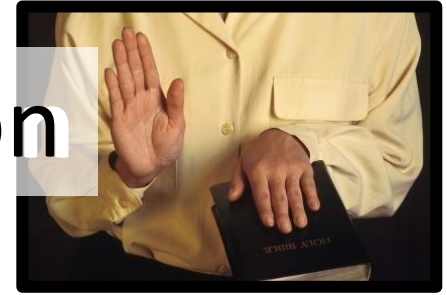
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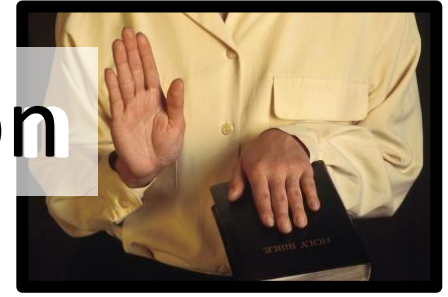
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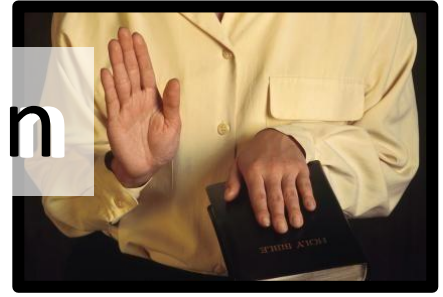
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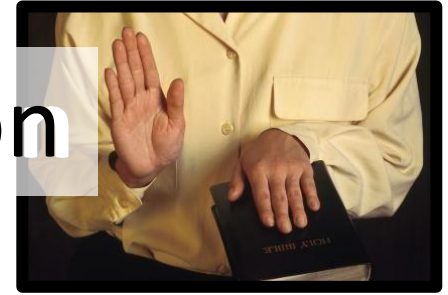
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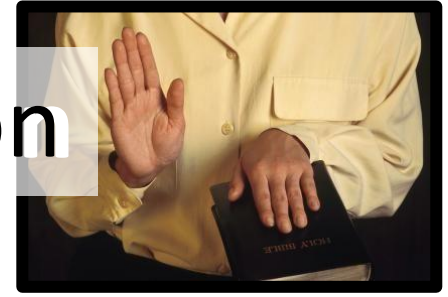
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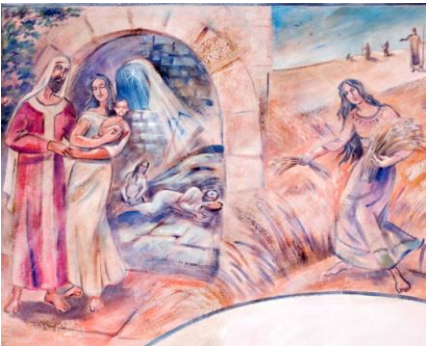
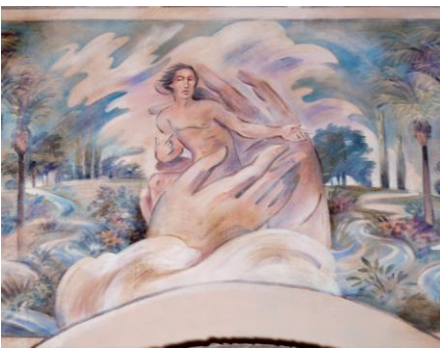
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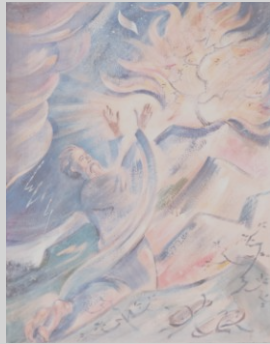
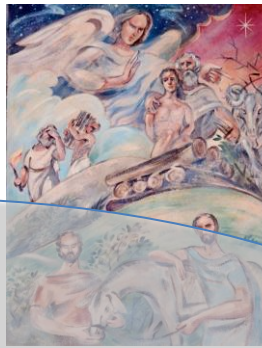
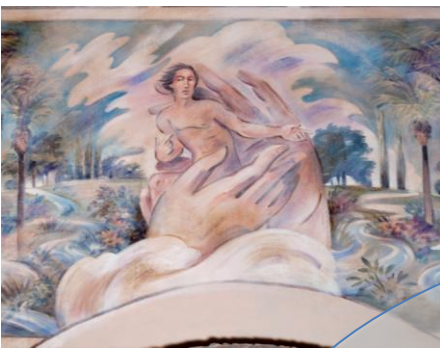
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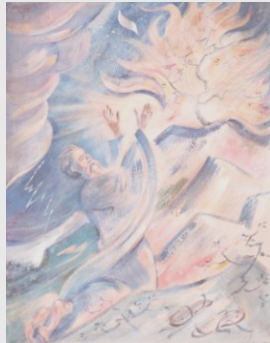
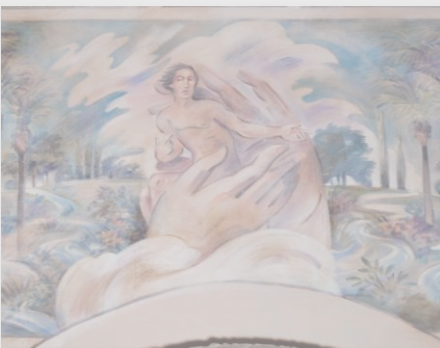
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