

Philippians



A photograph of the ancient ruins of Philippi, featuring several tall, weathered stone columns and low stone walls in the foreground. In the background, a steep, rocky mountain rises under a clear blue sky. The scene is set in a dry, hilly landscape with some greenery.

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Paul's Unique Mindset



Are you familiar
with the term?



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Fox?

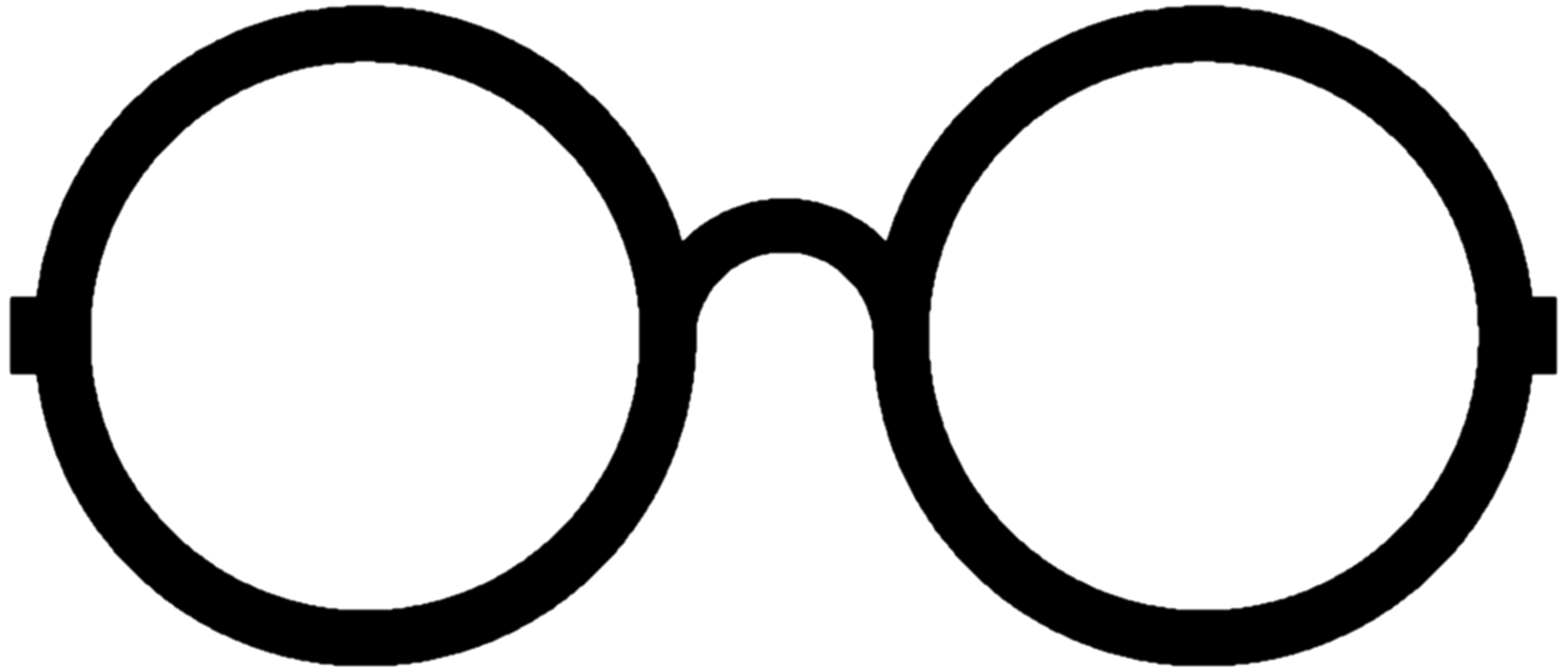
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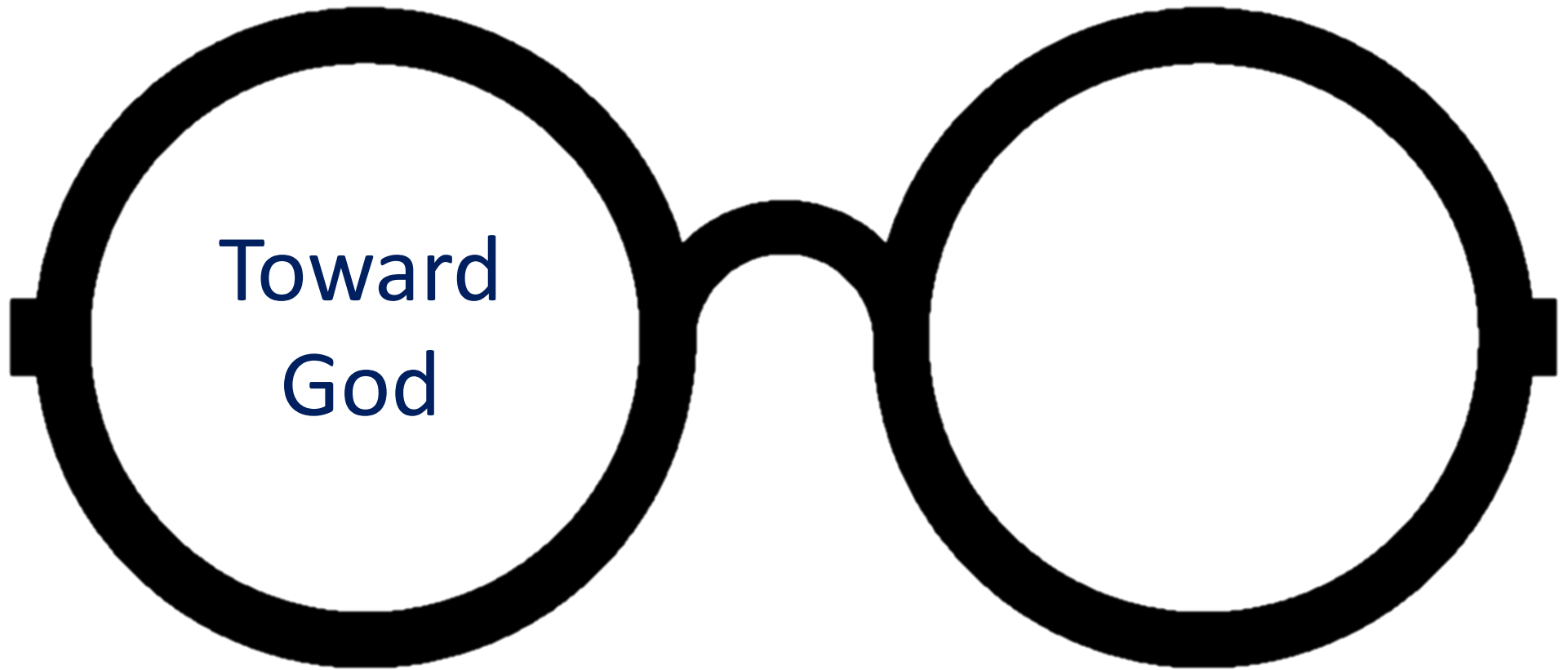
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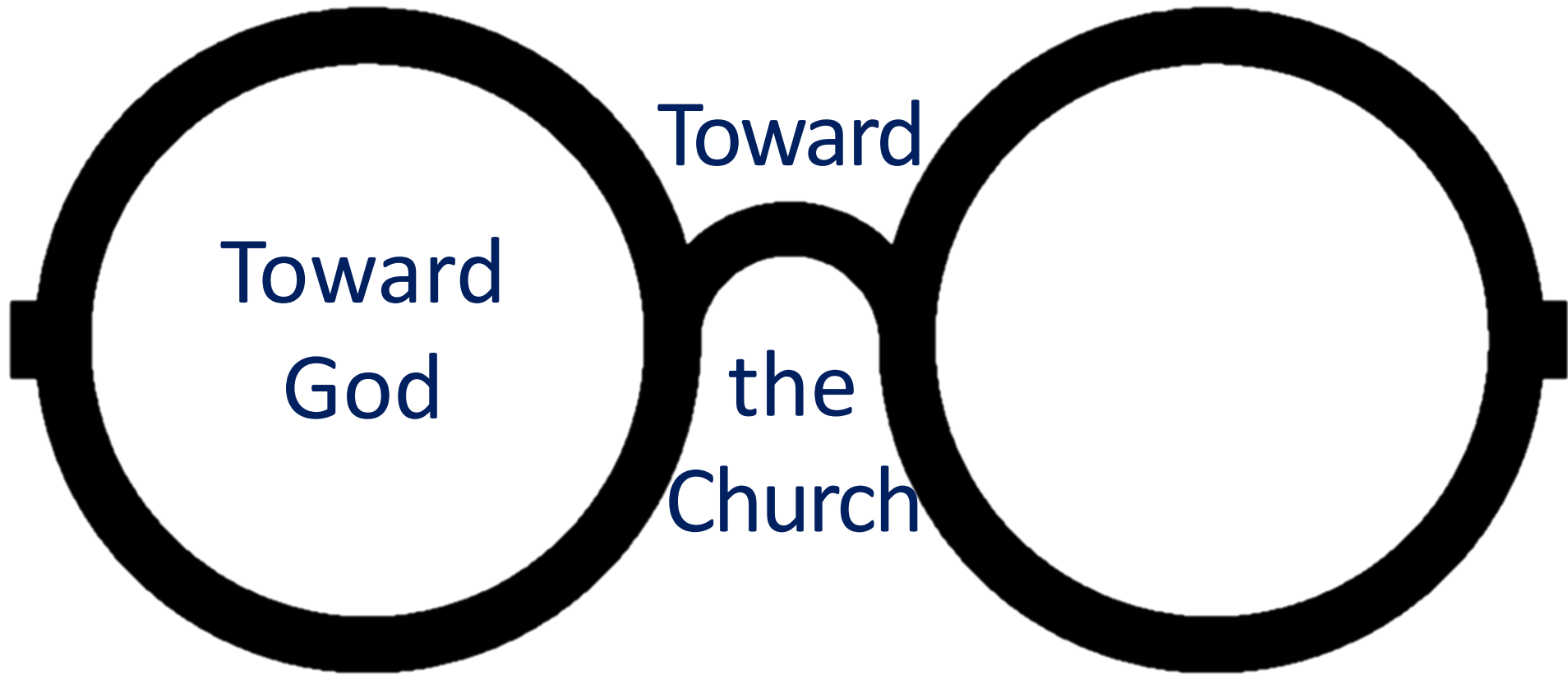
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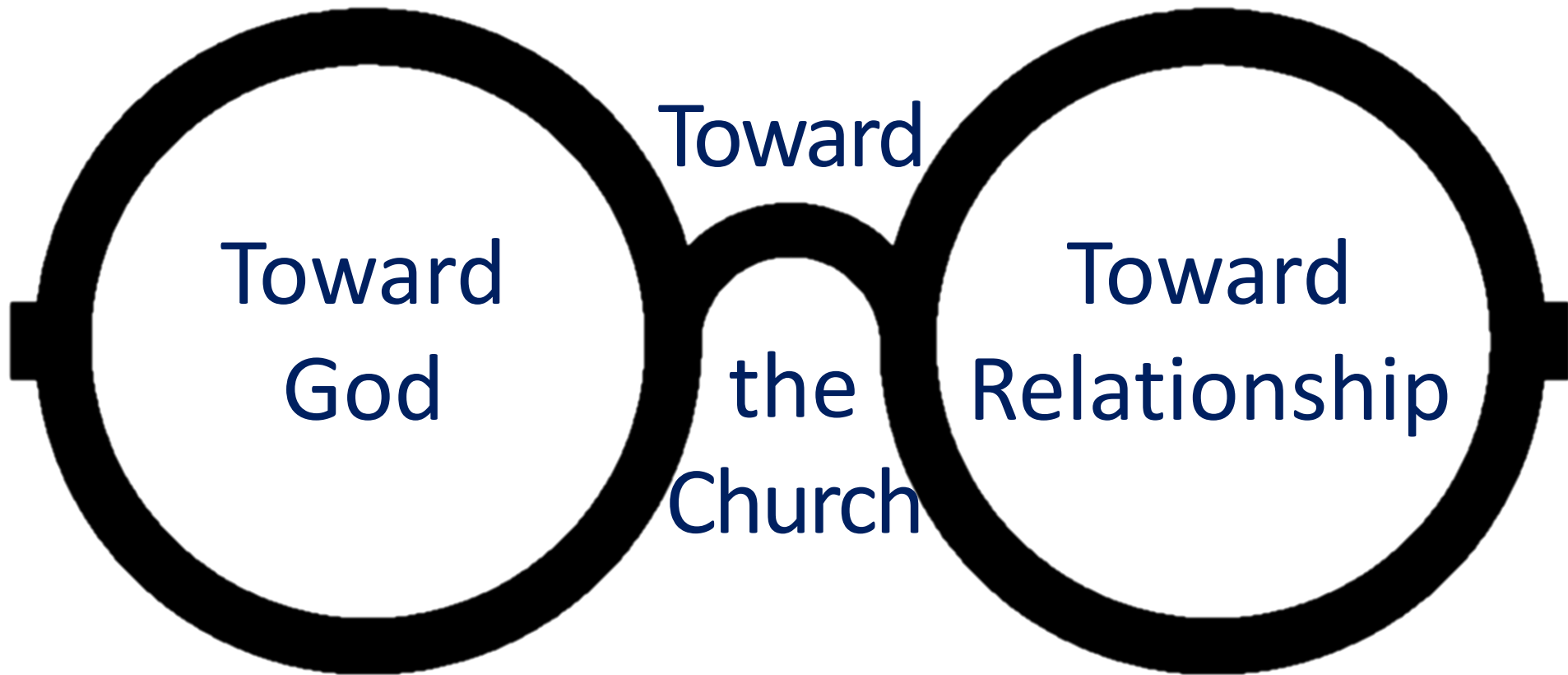
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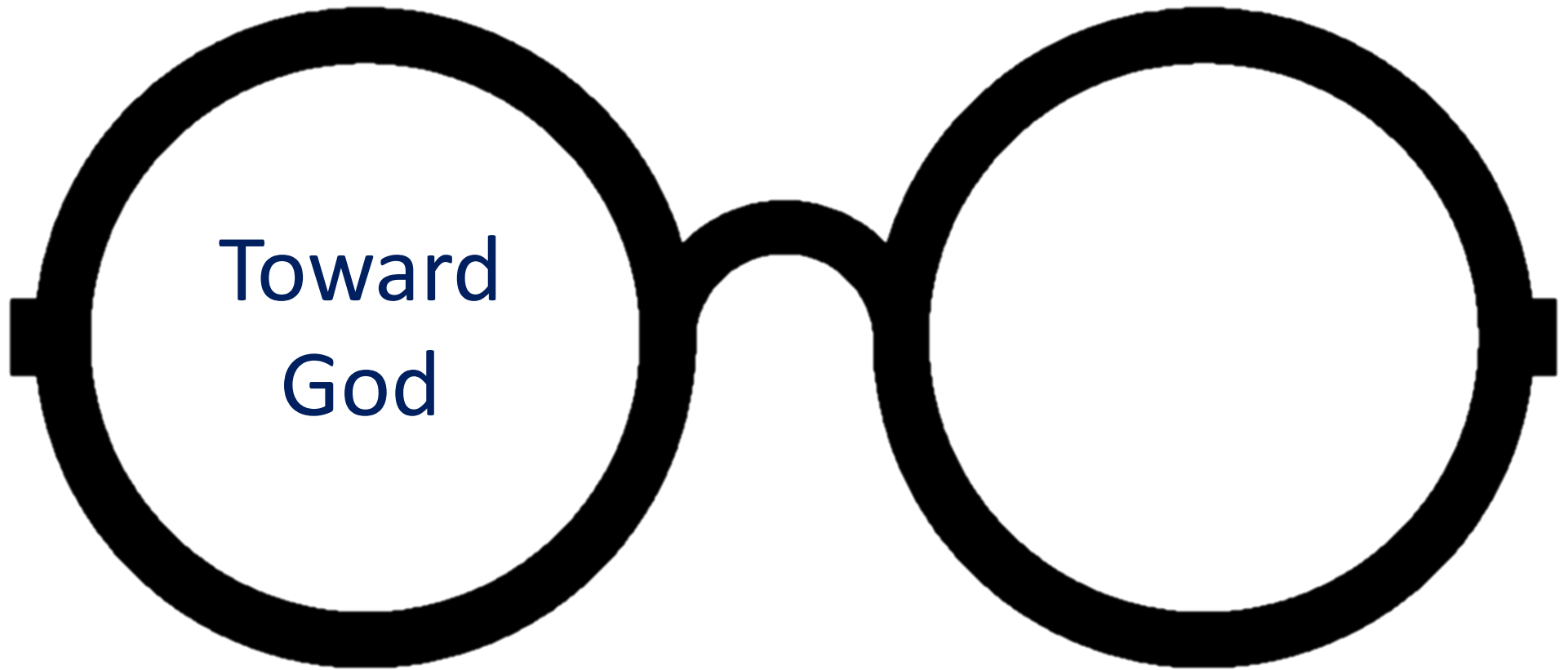
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Consider the *doulos* of the Lord in the OT

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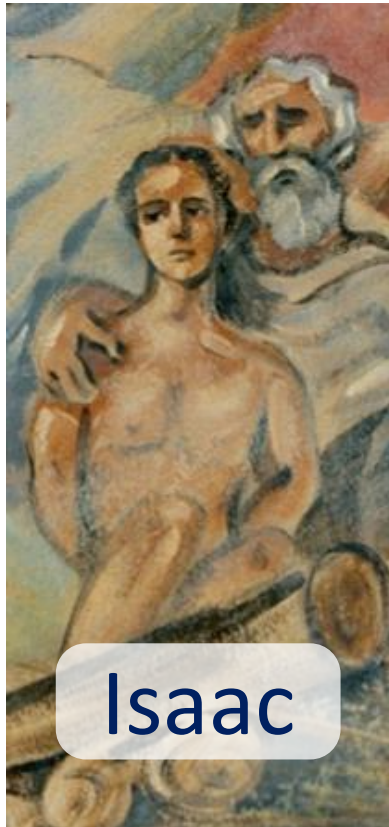


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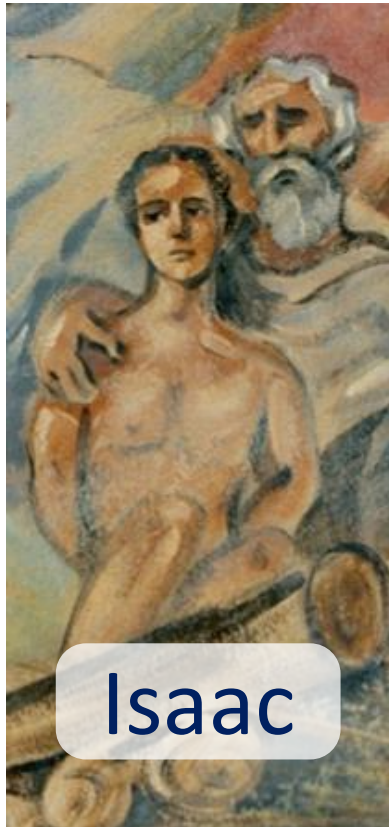


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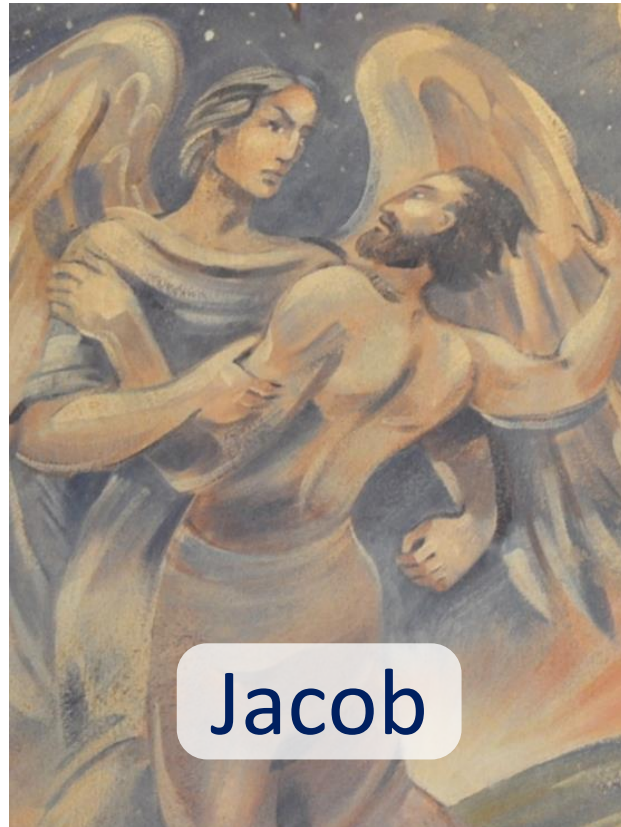
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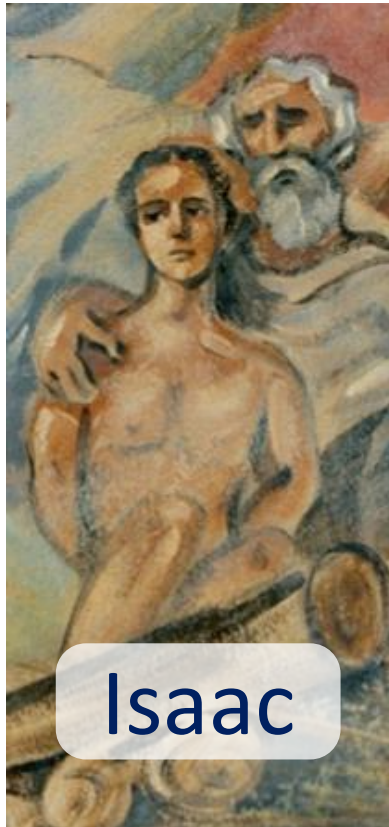


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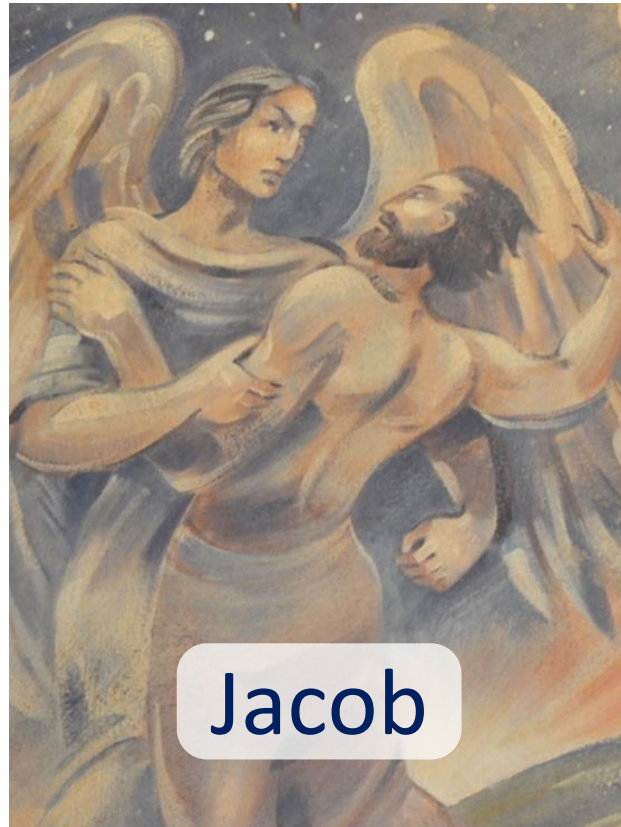
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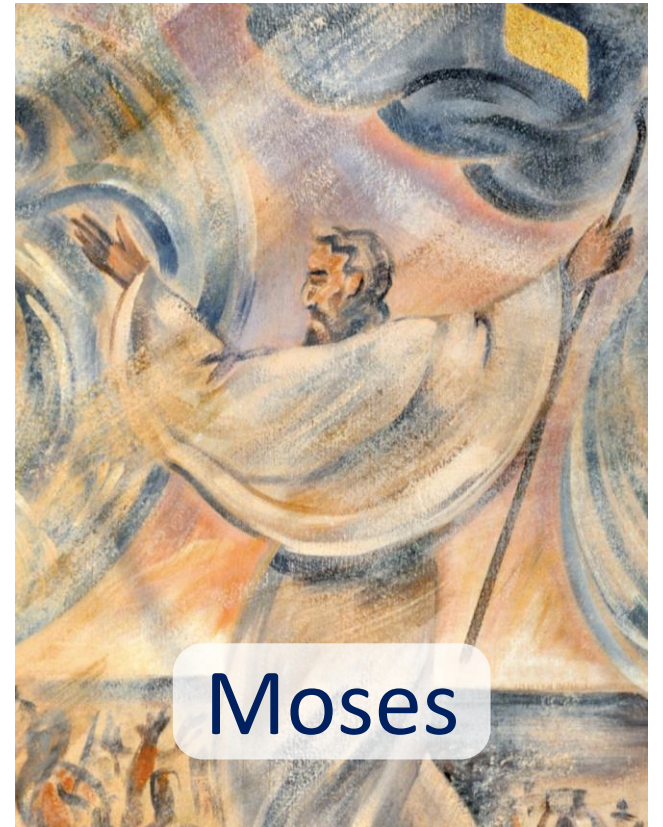
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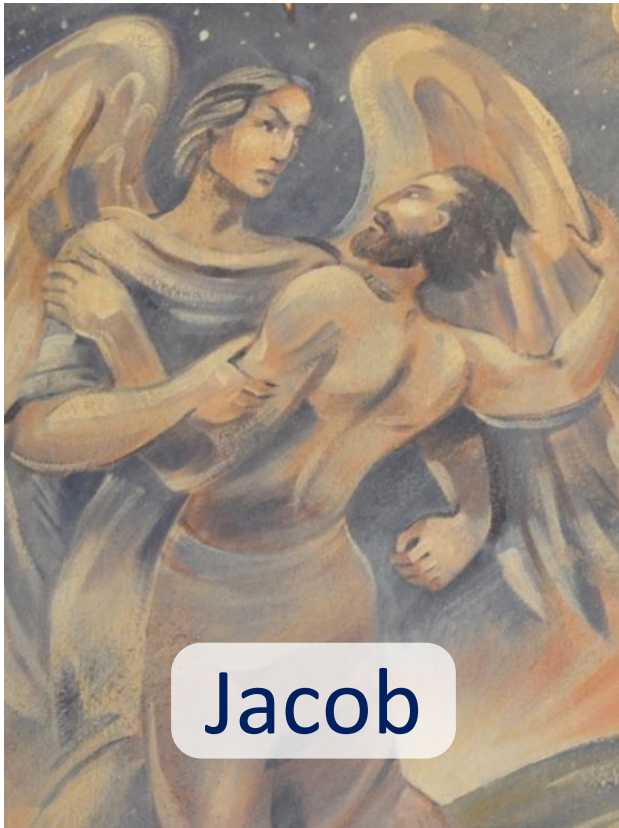


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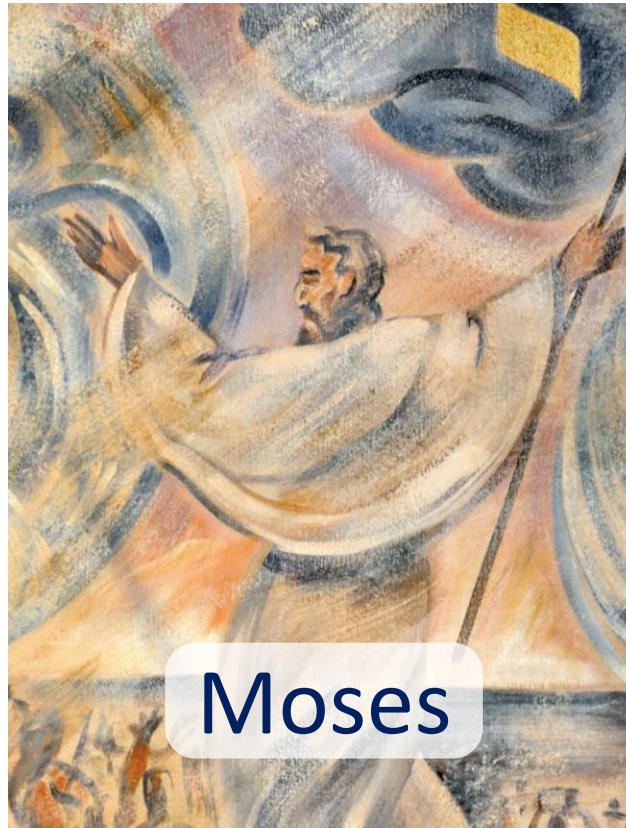
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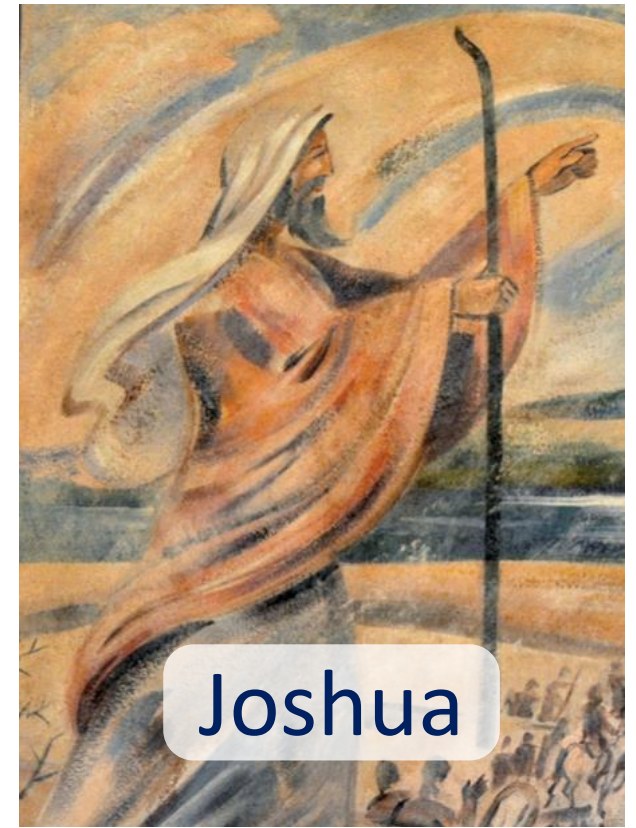
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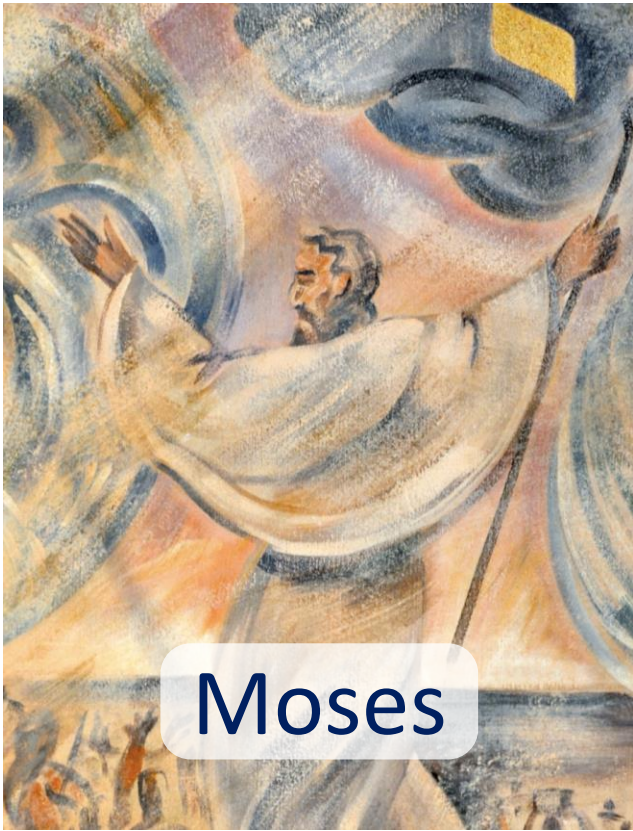


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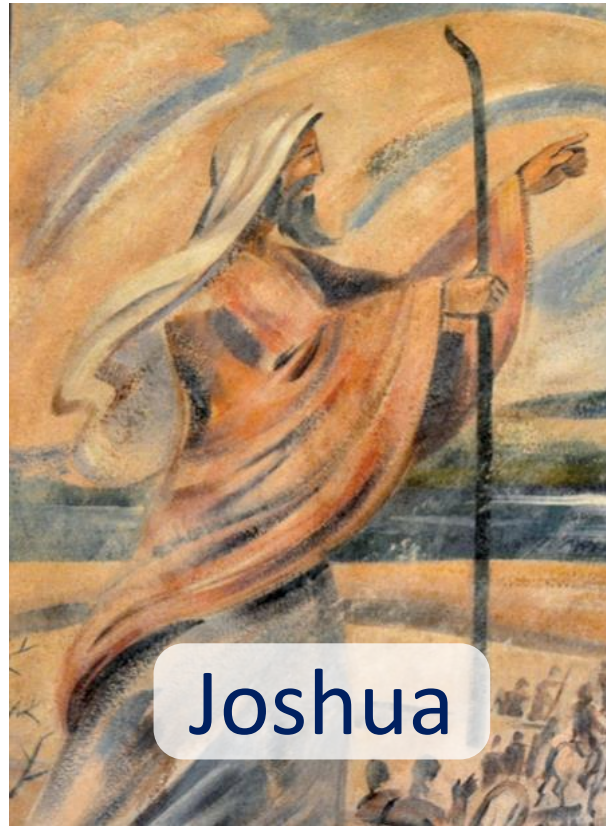
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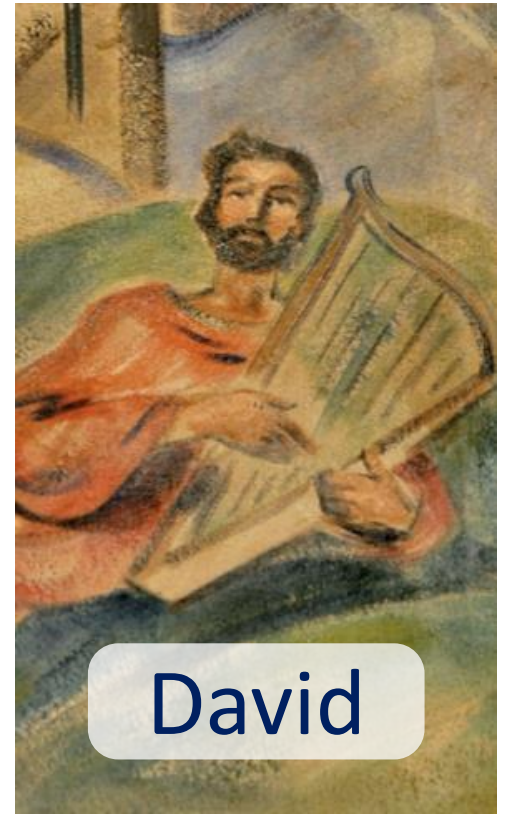
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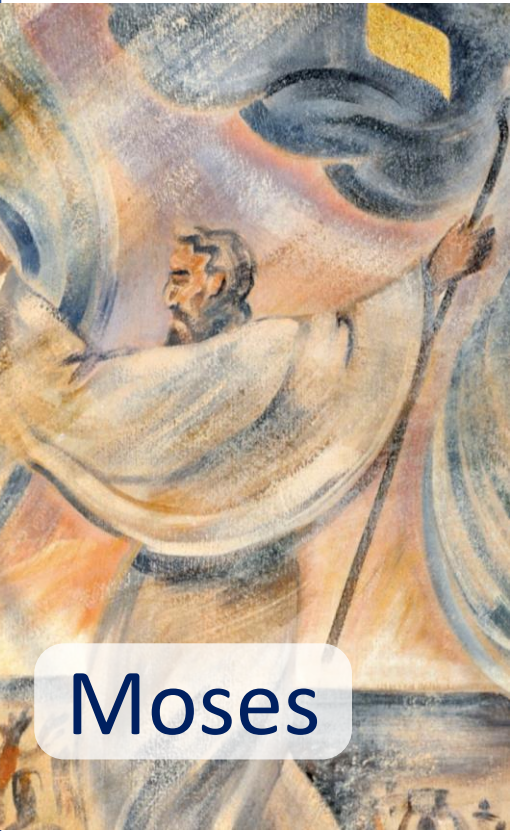


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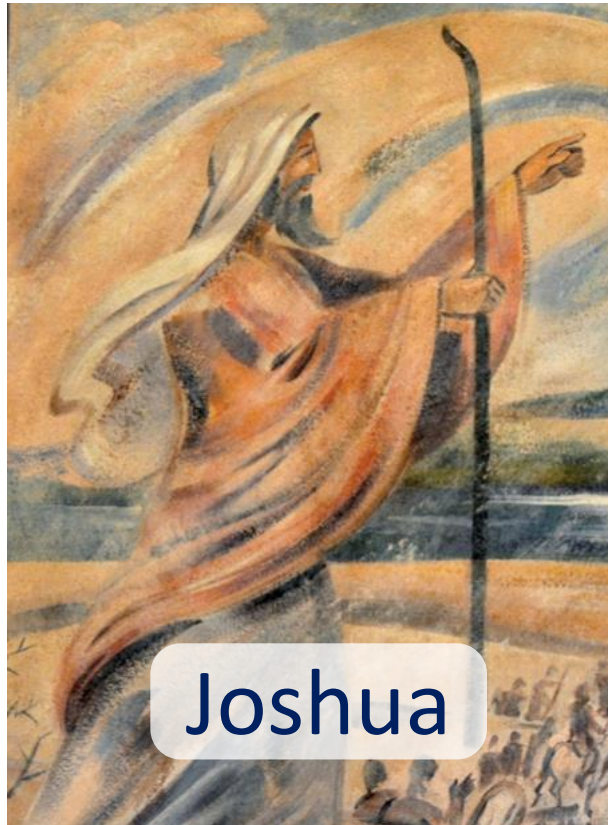


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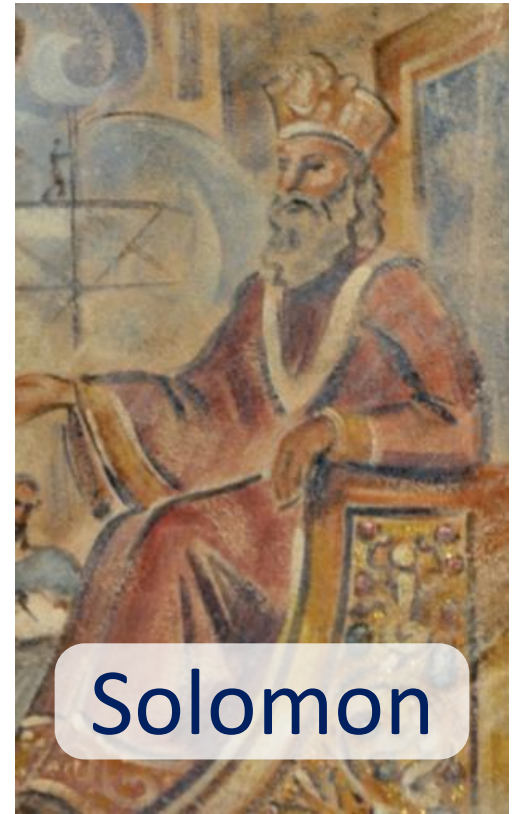
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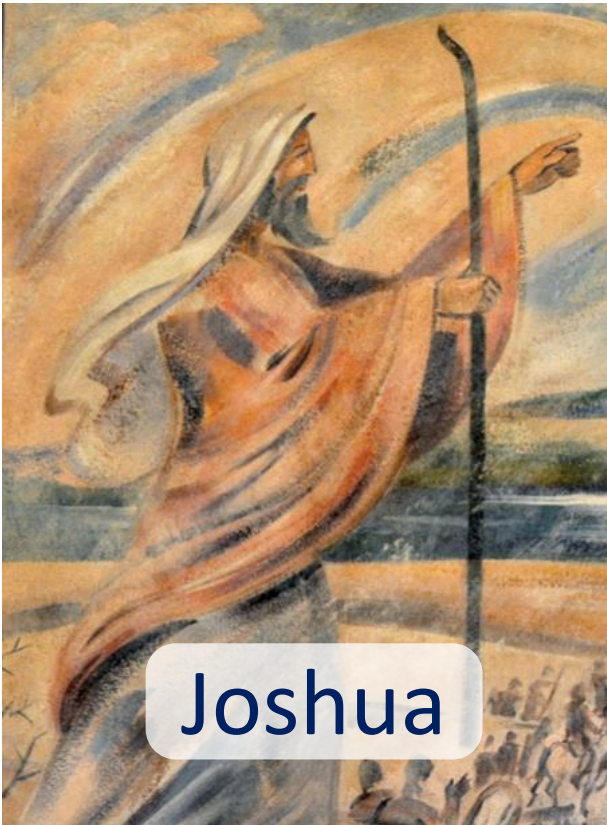


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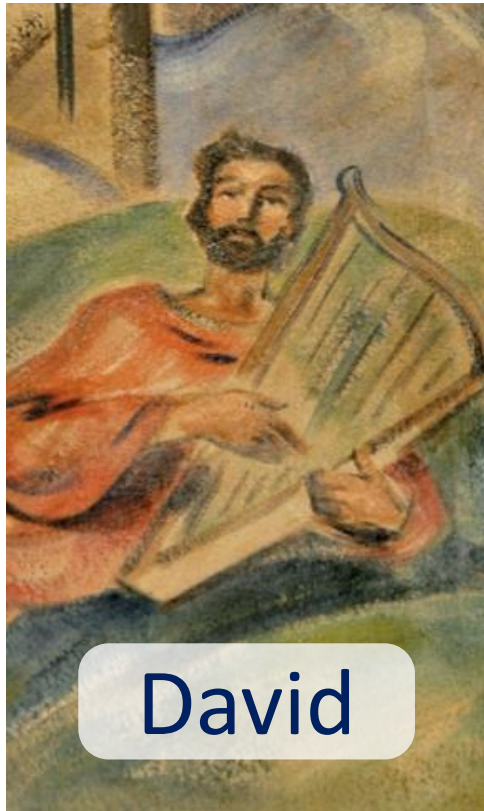


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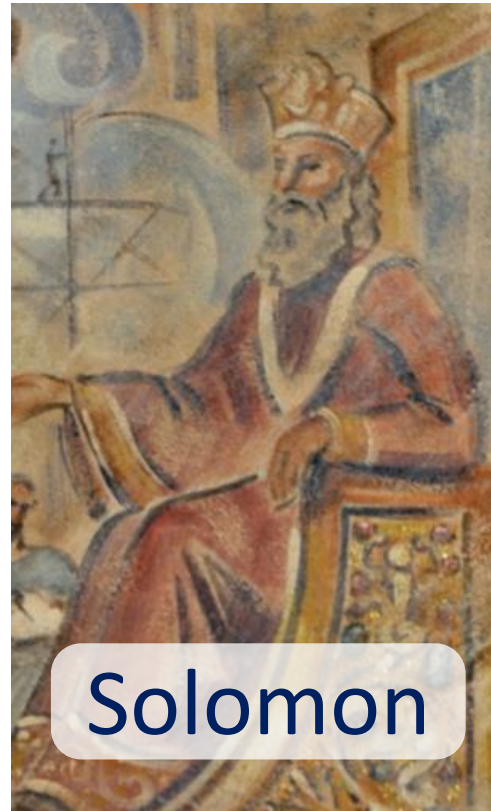
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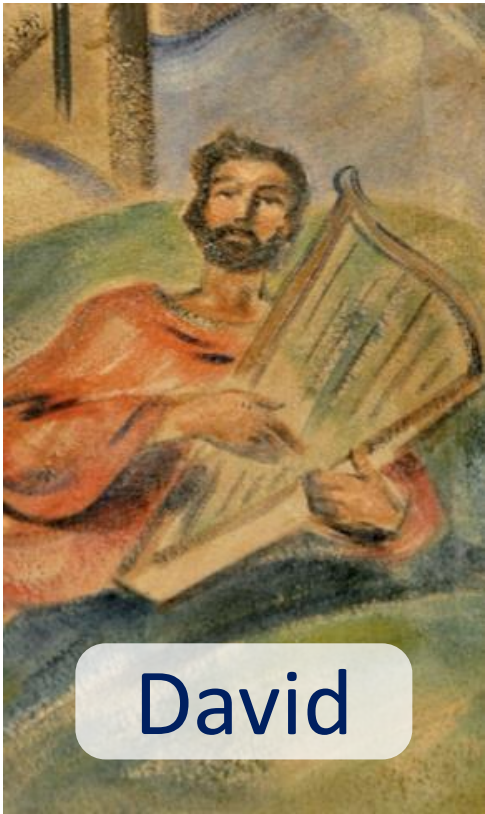


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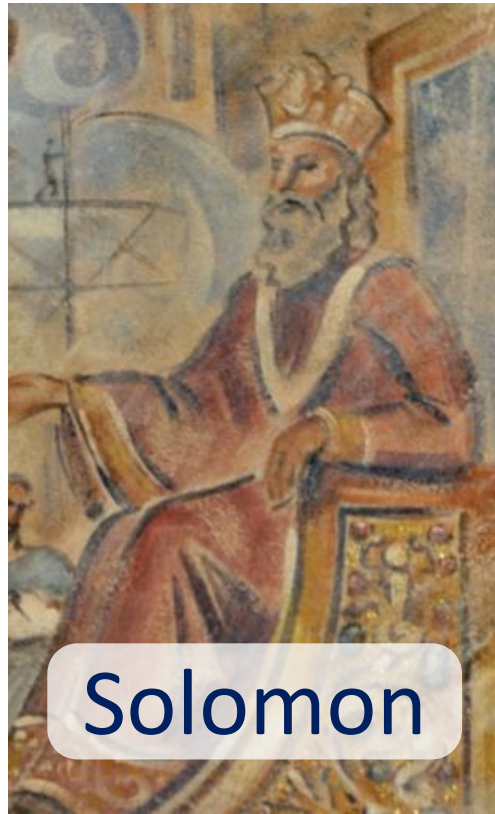


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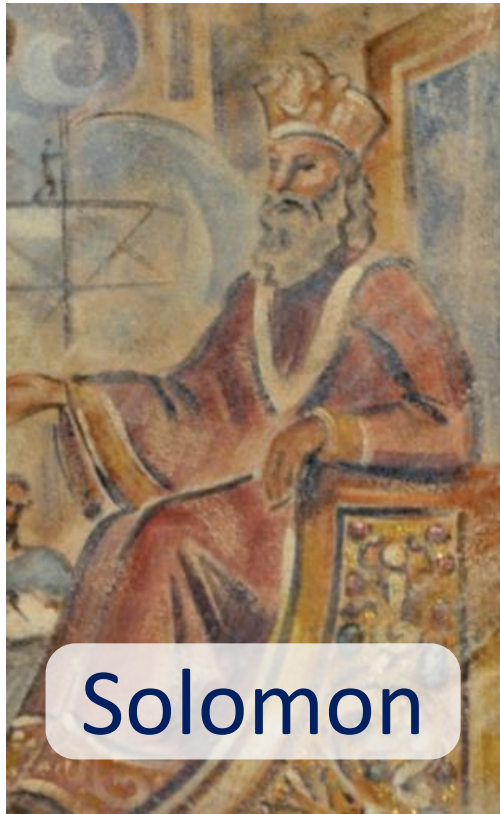


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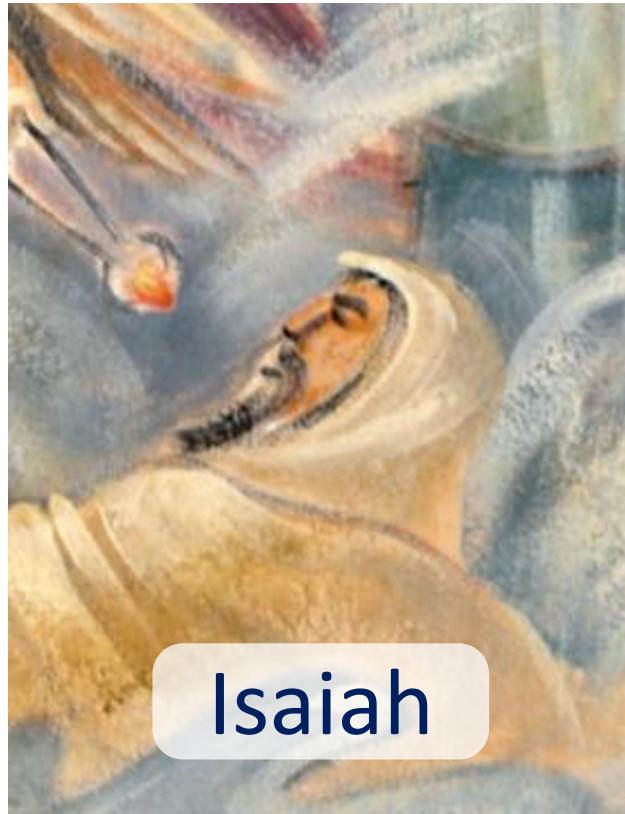
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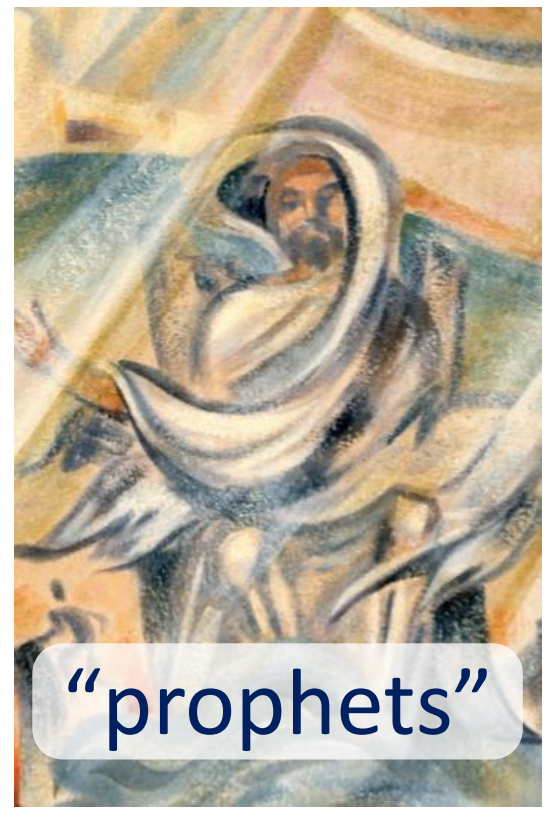
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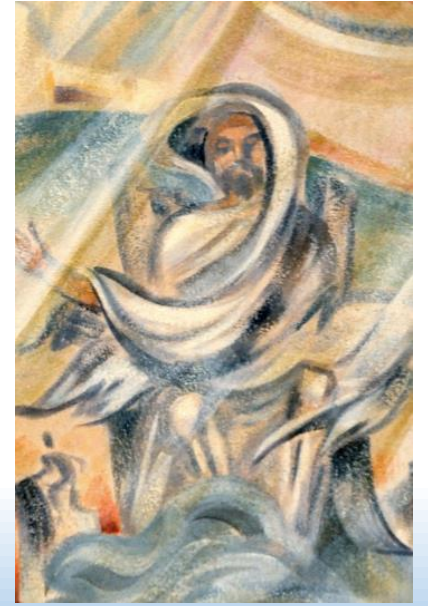
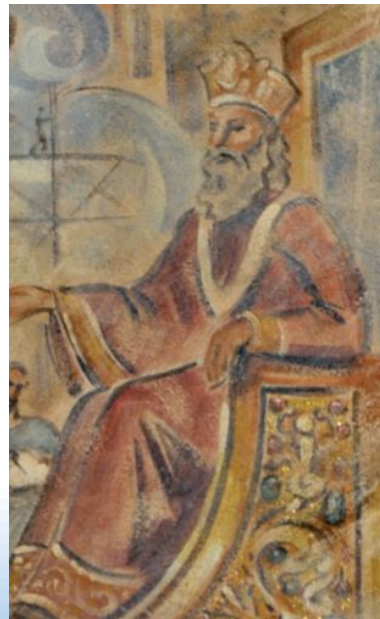
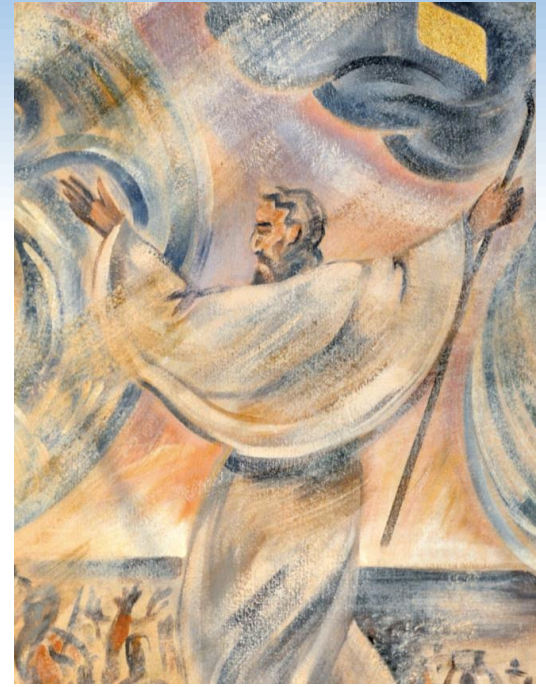
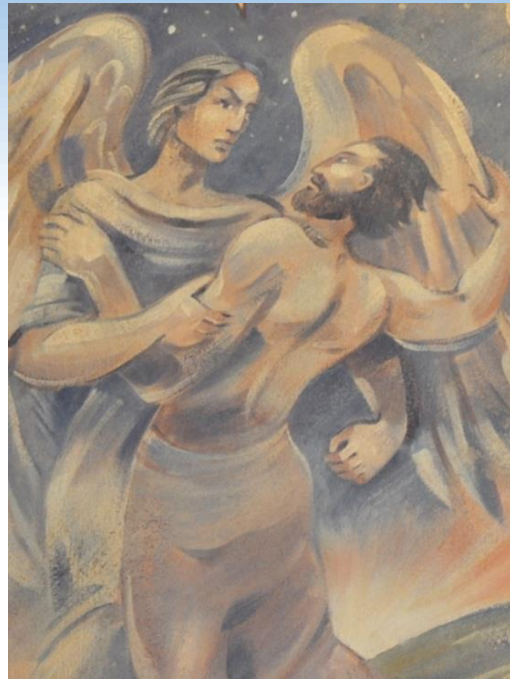
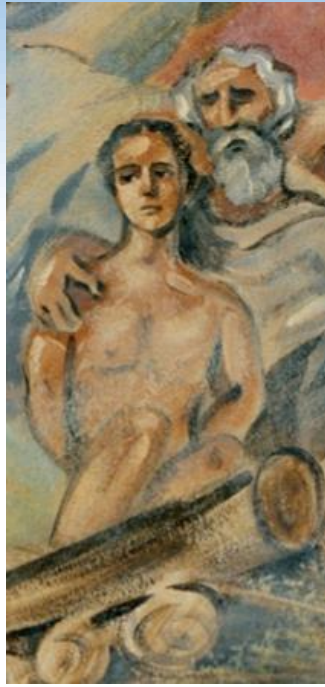
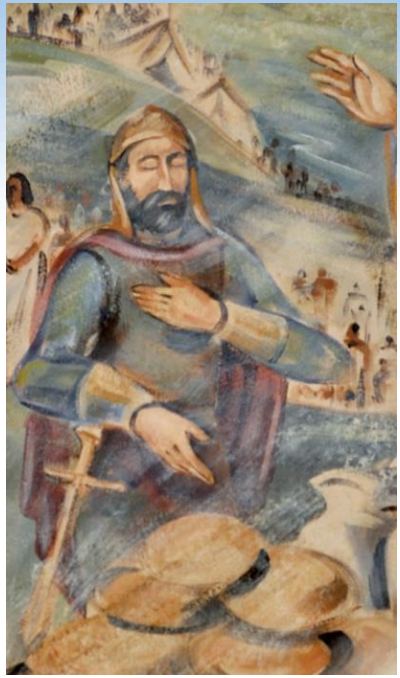
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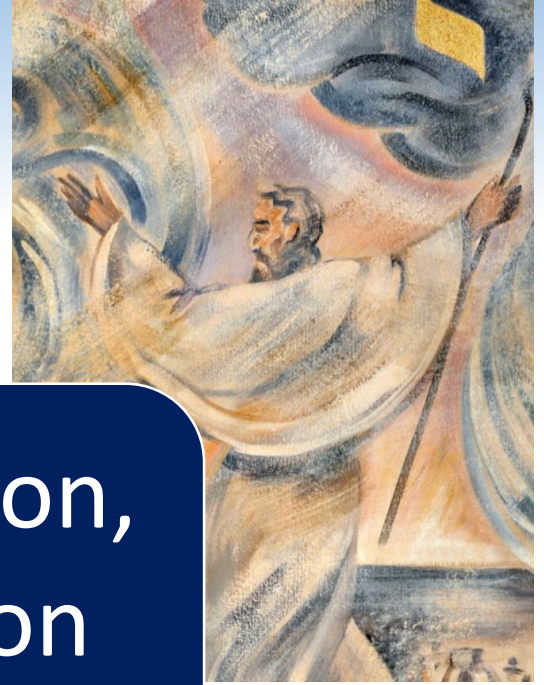
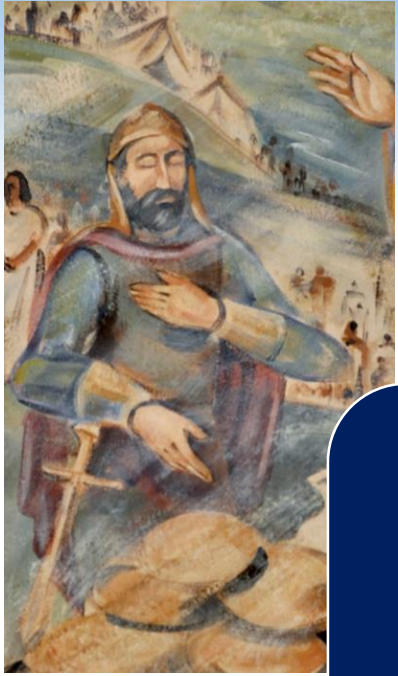
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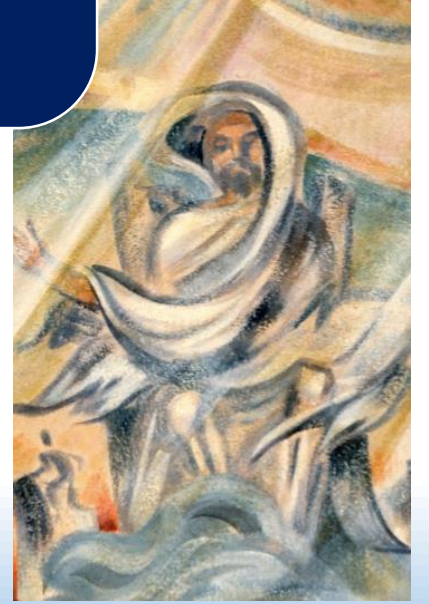
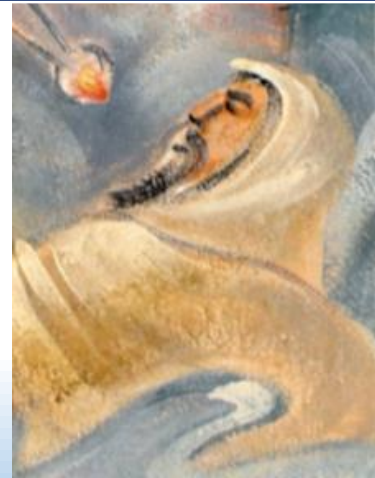
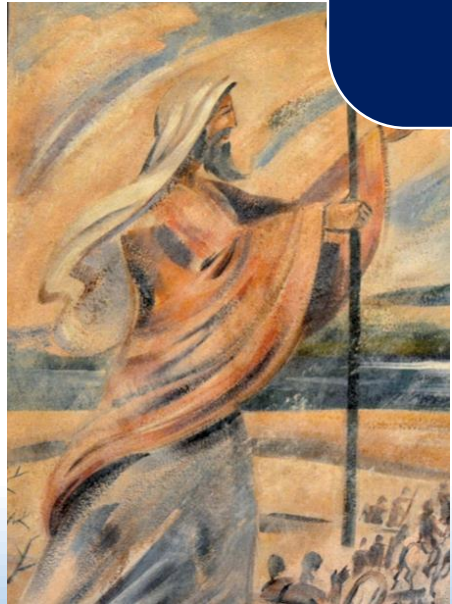
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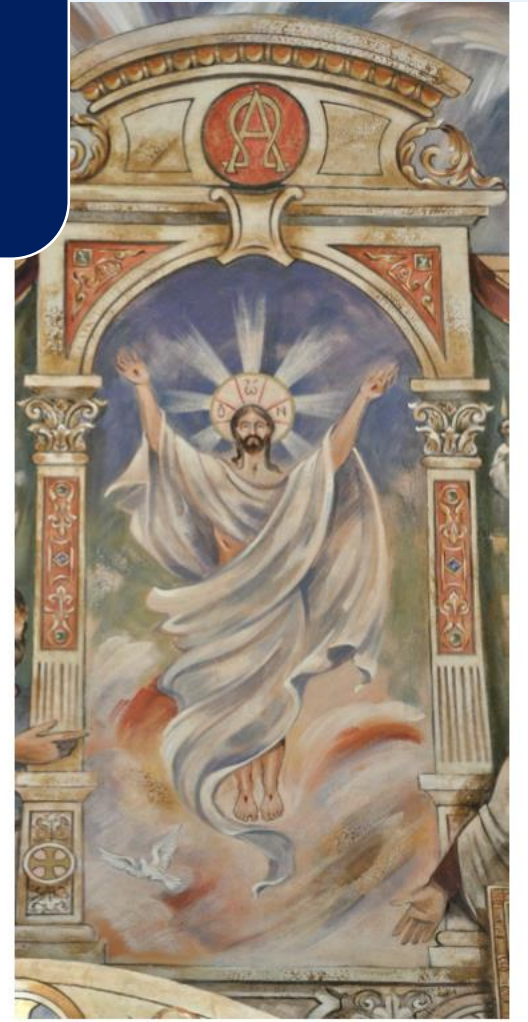
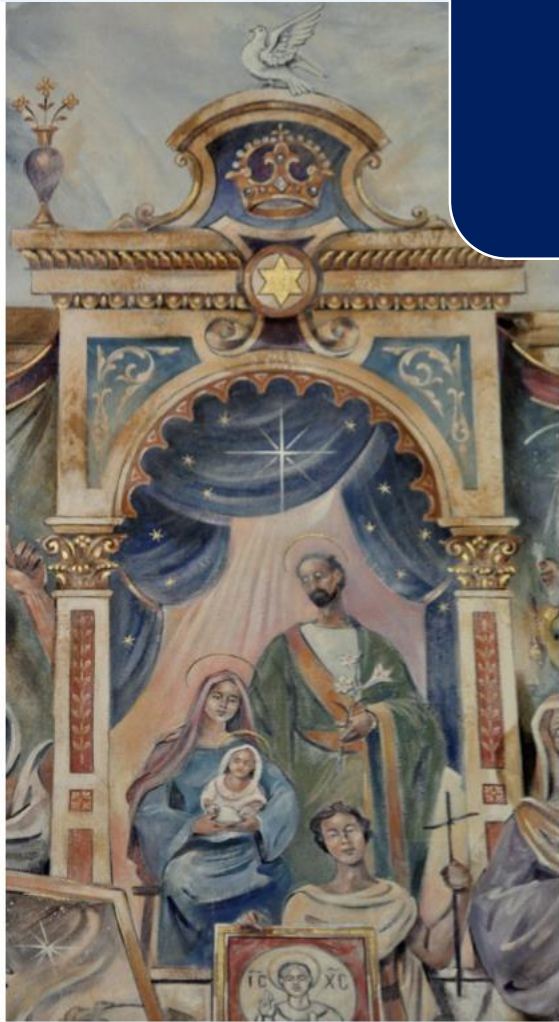




Paul is thrilled to express his devotion,
and see his special calling in relation
to the majestic King of Kings.

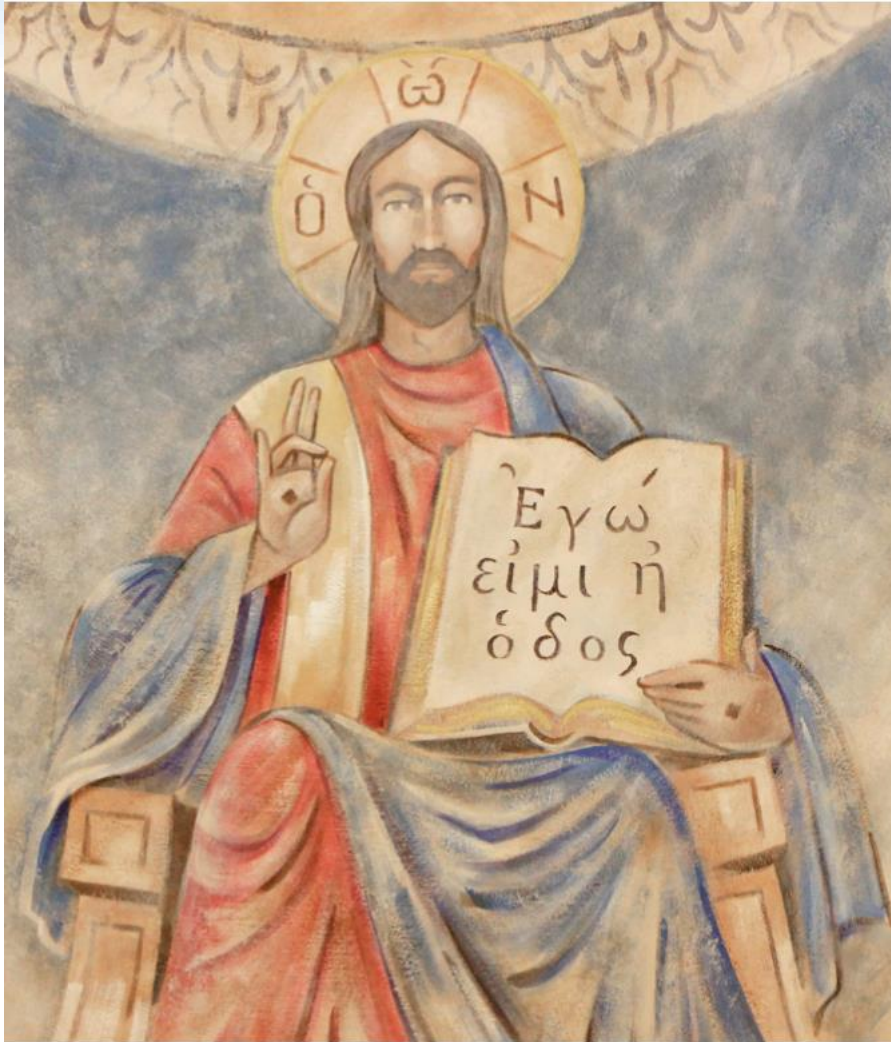


The Messiah who was once
Jesus, is now again Lord





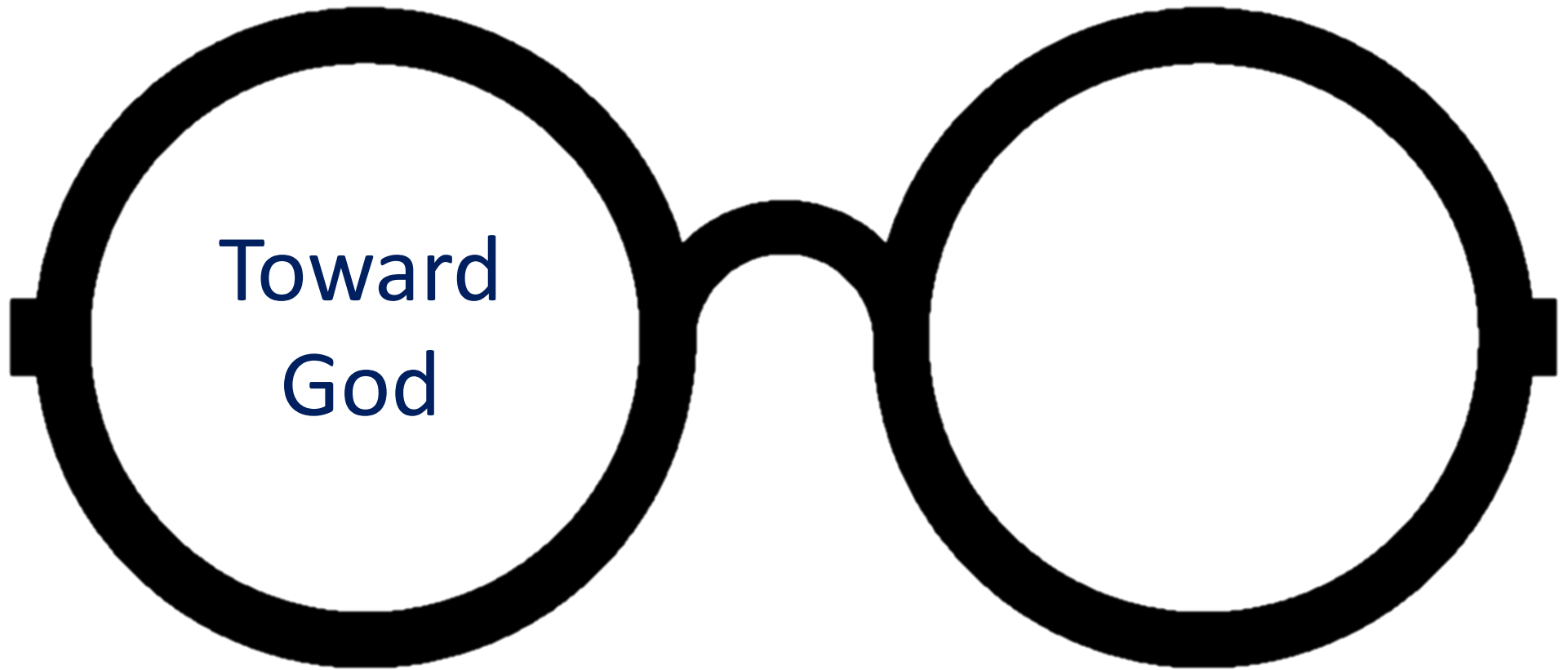
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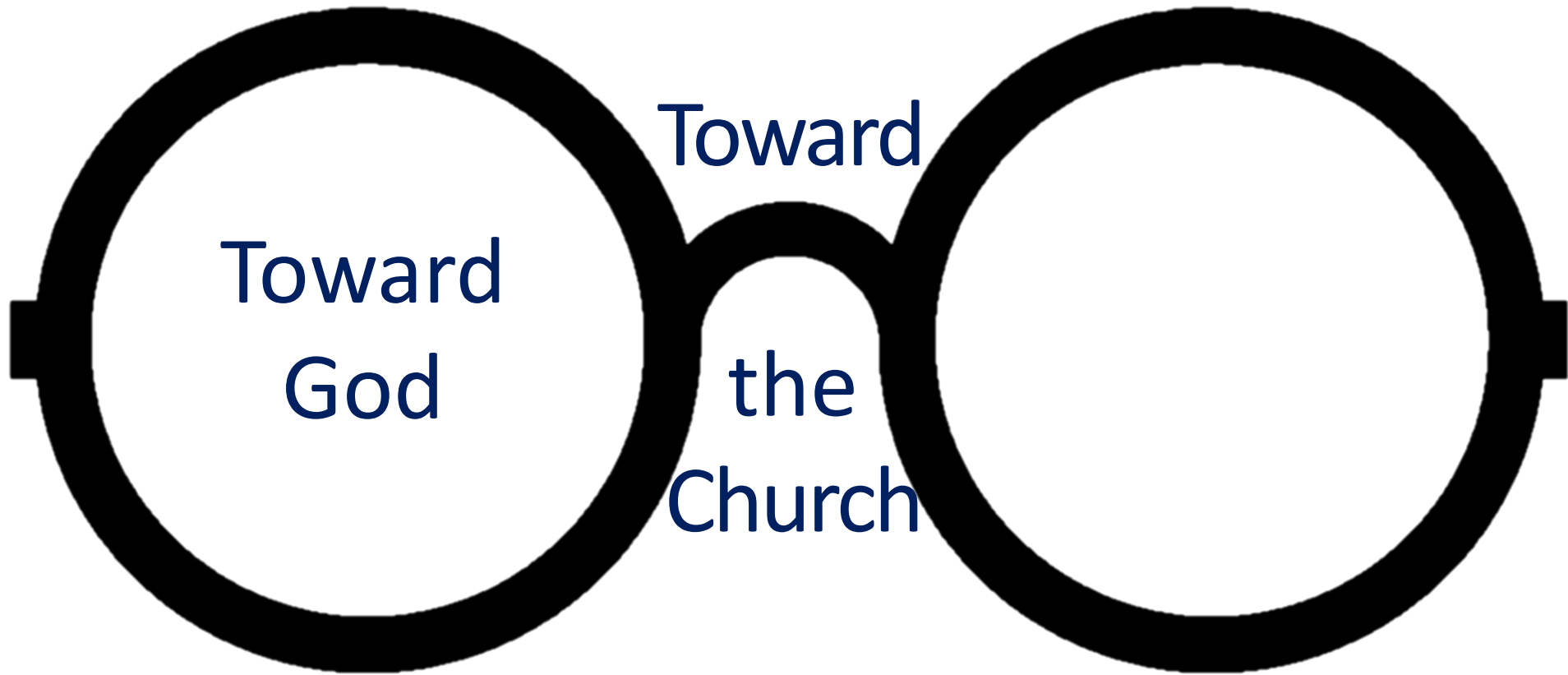
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This is NOT how Paul
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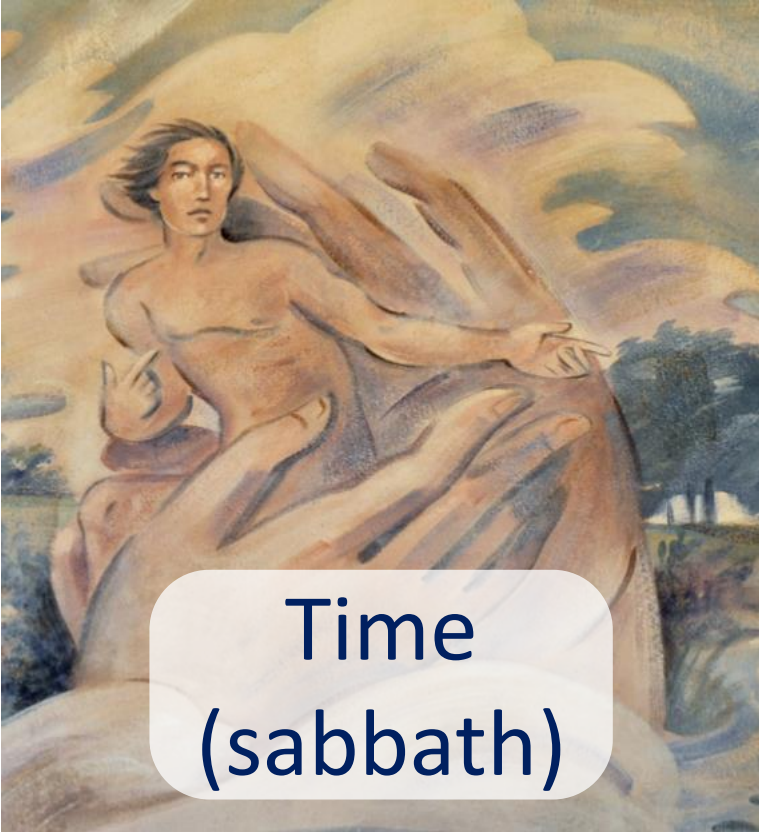
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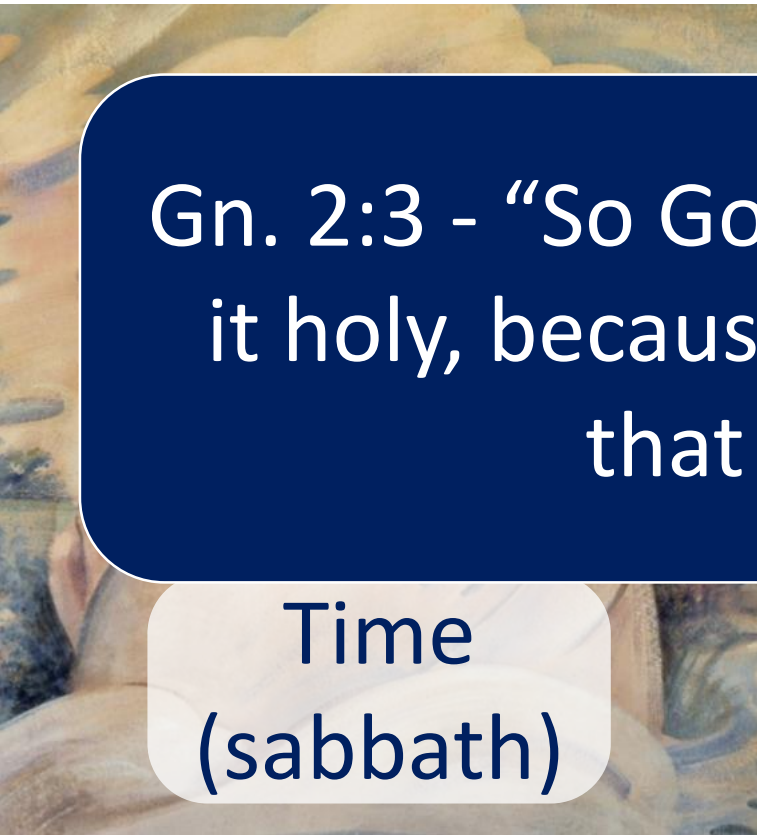
“Holy” (*hagios/q-d-sh*) as “set apart to God” in the O.T.

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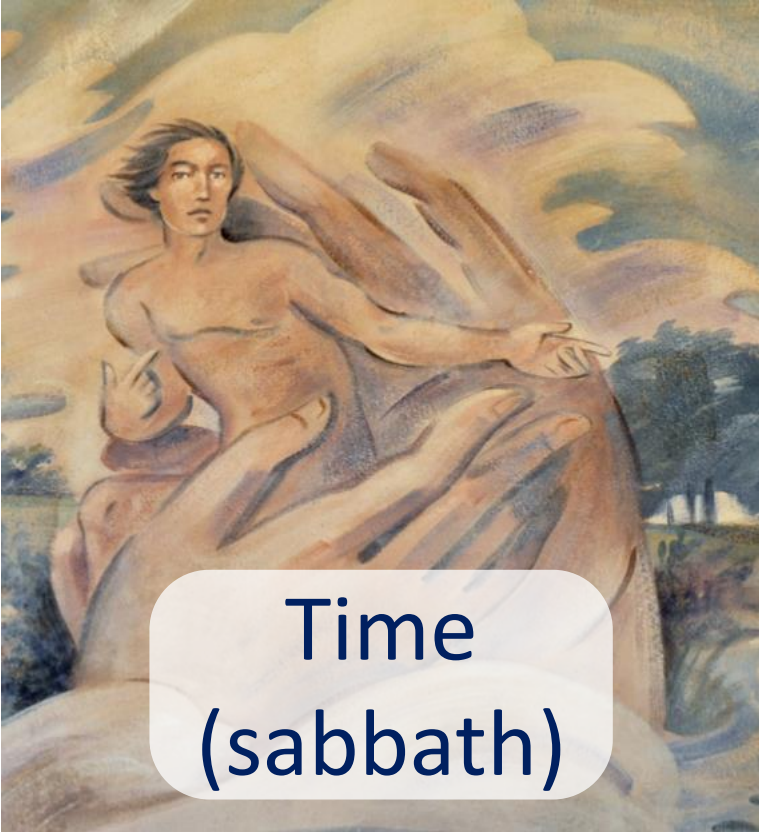
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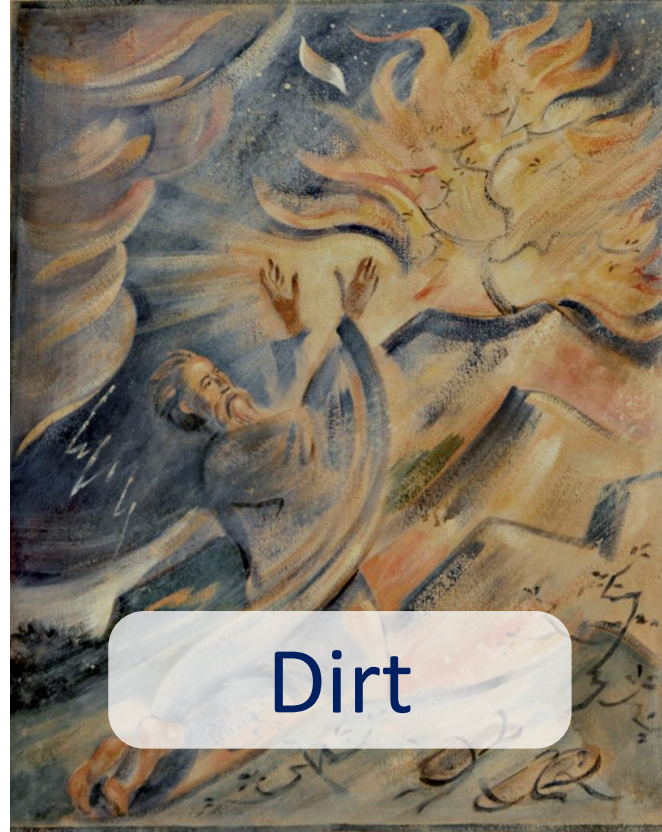
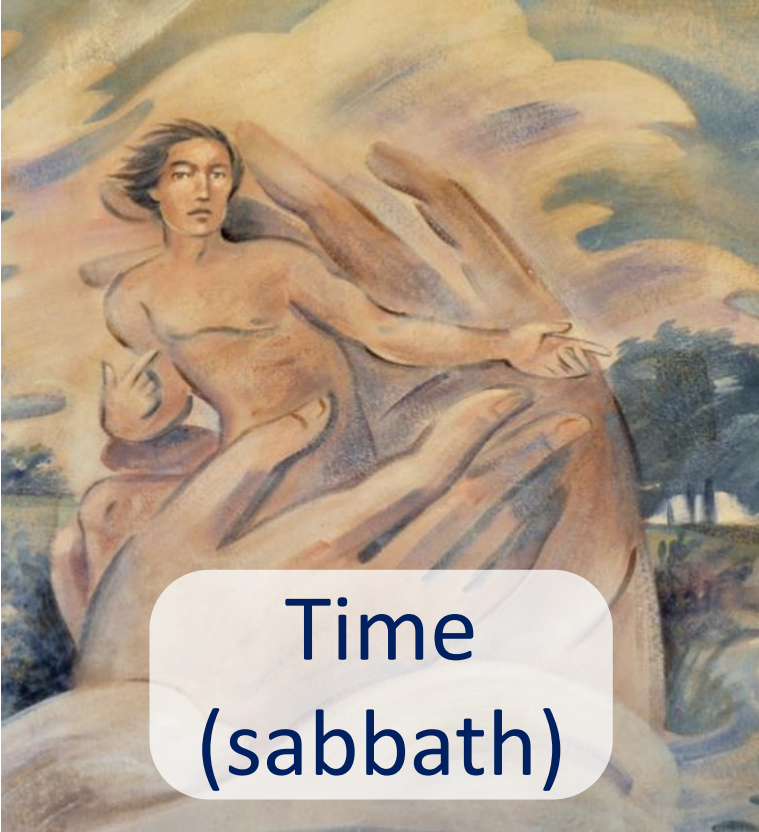
Gn. 2:3 - “So God blessed the seventh day and made
it holy, because on it God rested from all his work
that he had done in creation.”

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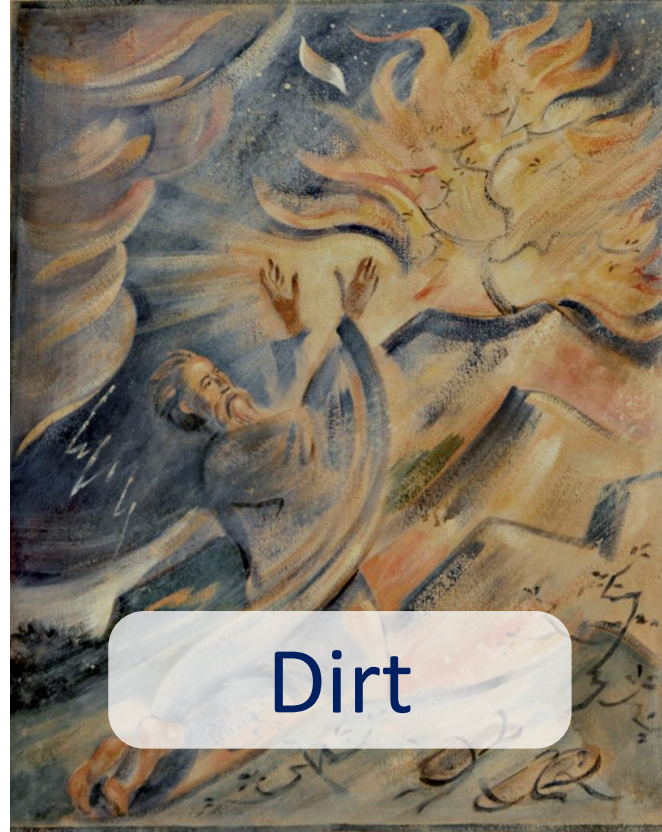
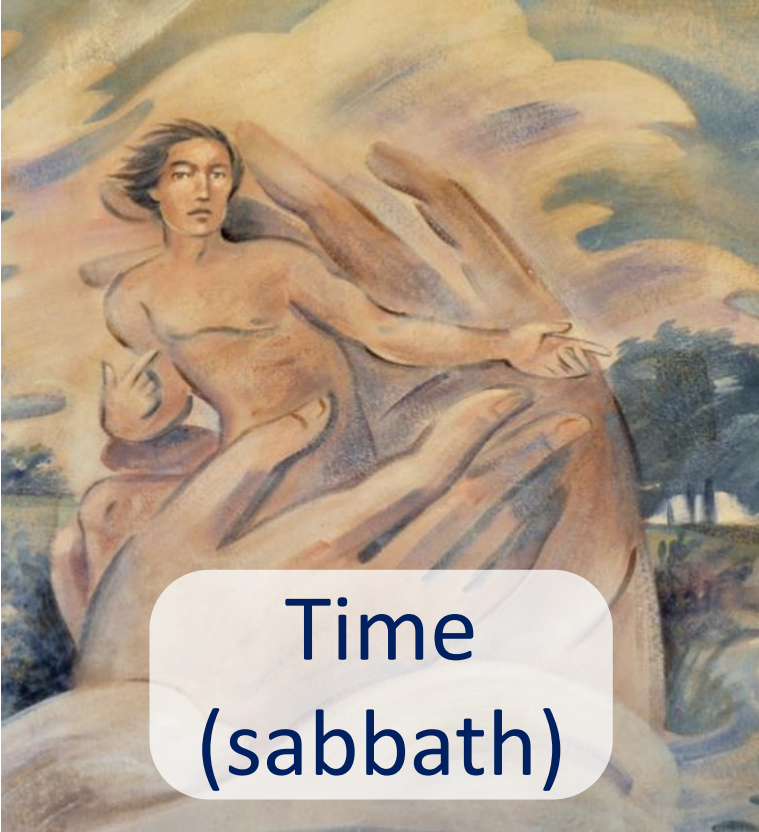
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Ex. 3:5 - “Then he said, “Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.”

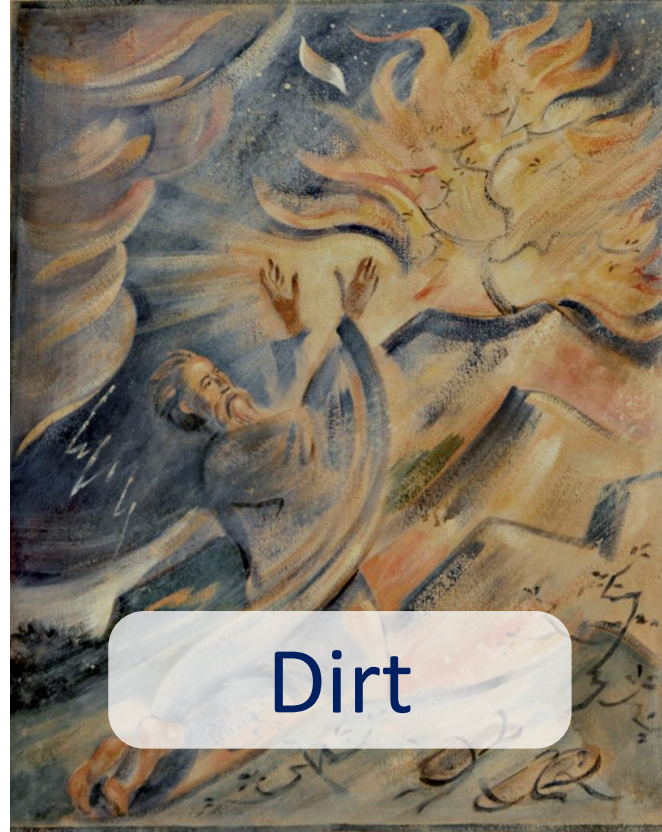
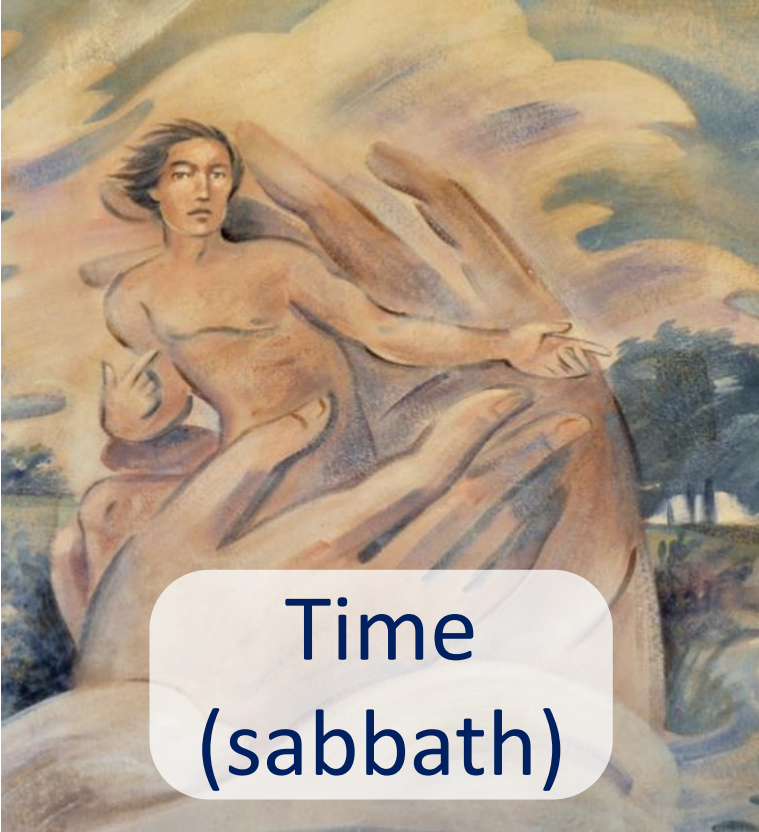
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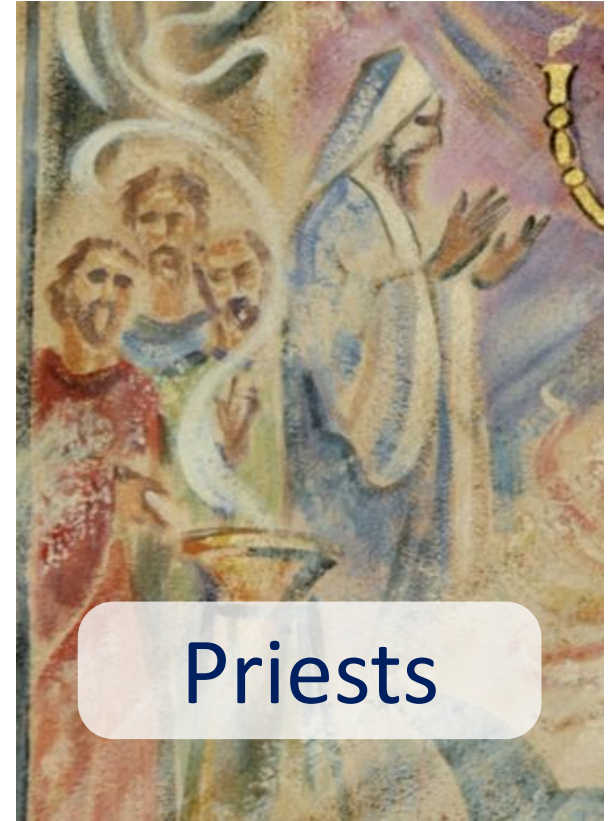
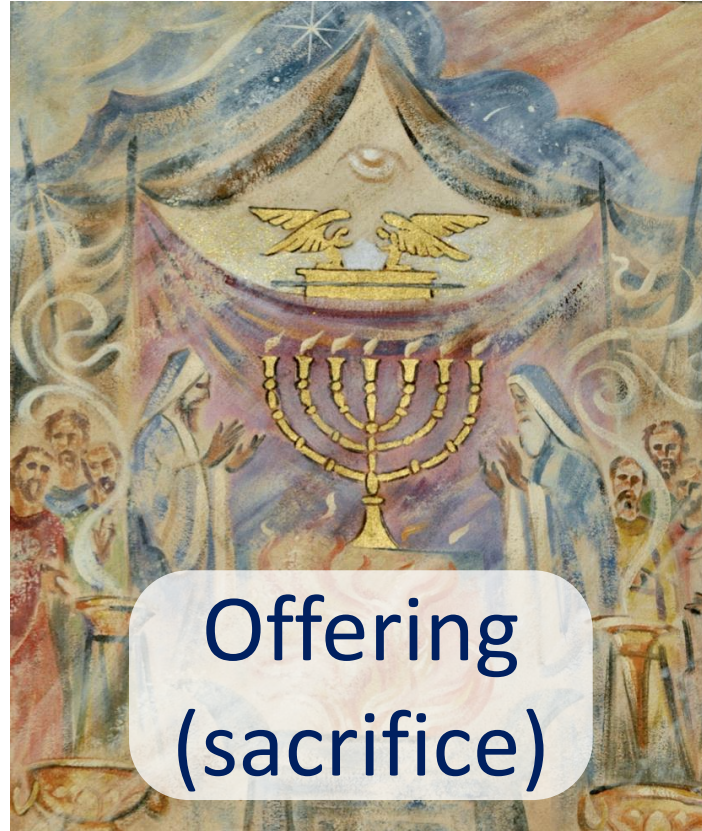
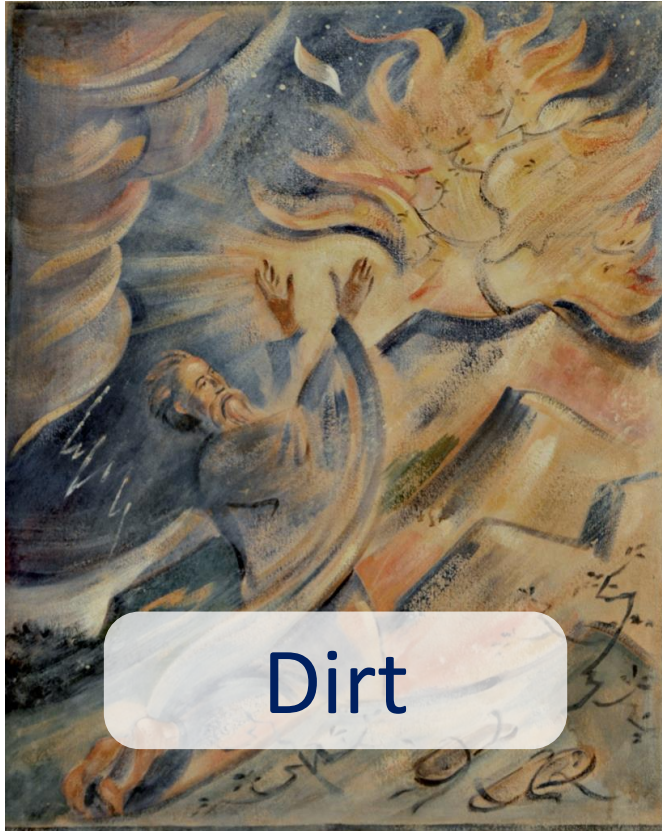
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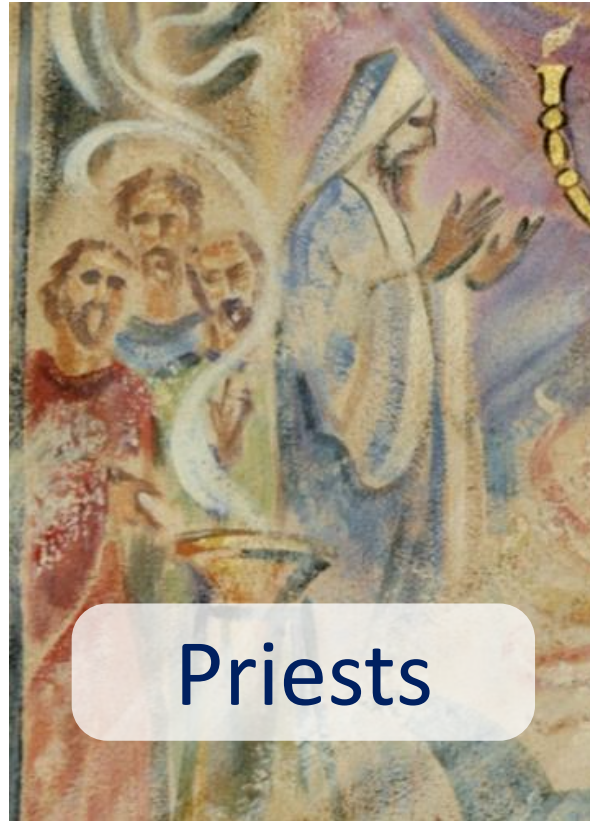
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Dt. 7:6 - “For you are a people holy to the LORD your
God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a
people for his treasured possession, out of all the
peoples who are on the face of the earth.”



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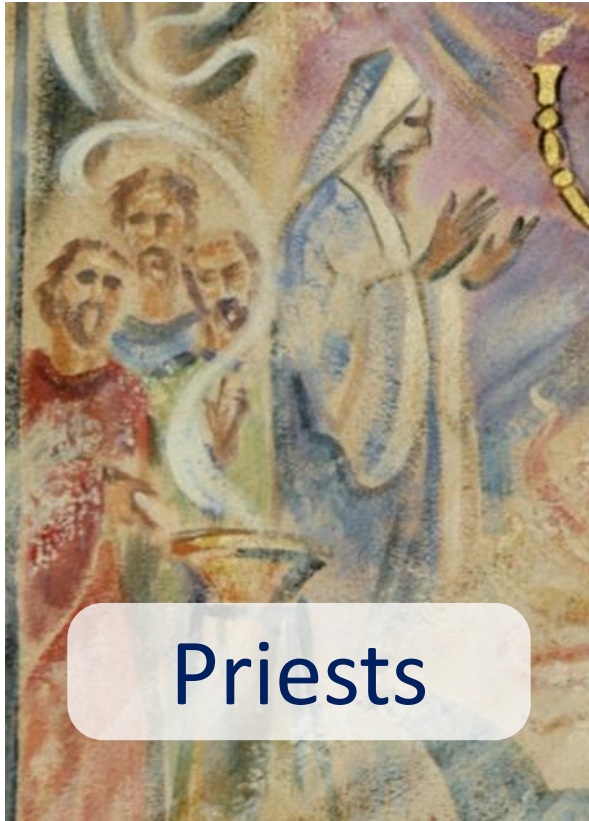


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Ex. 15:11 - “Who is like you, majestic in holiness,
awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?”



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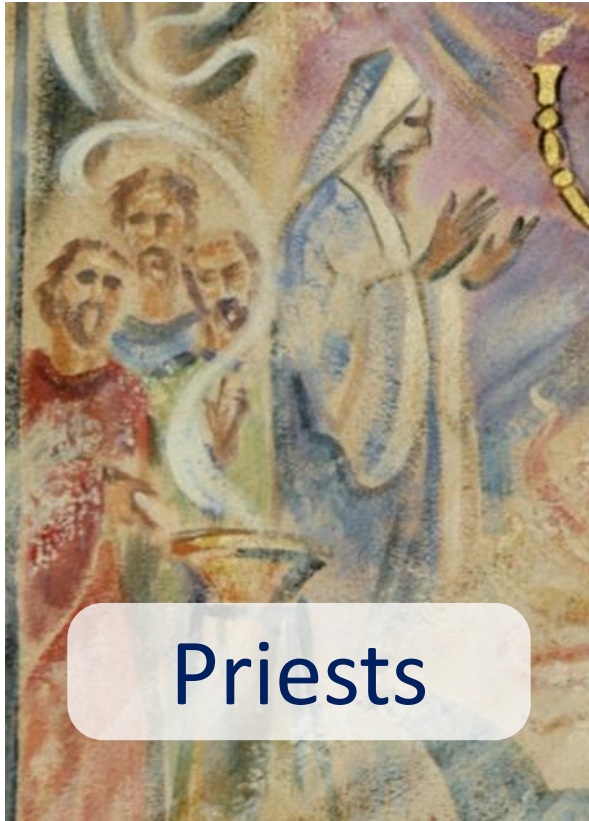
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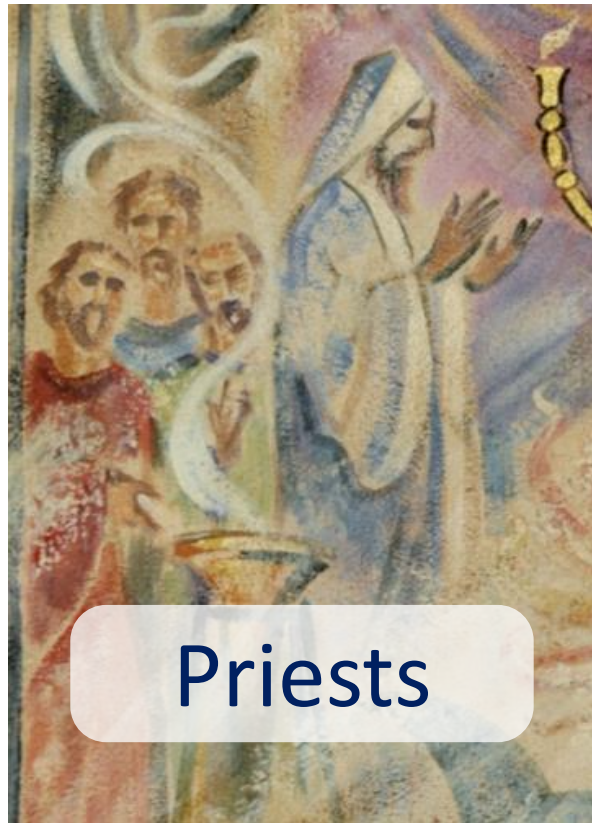


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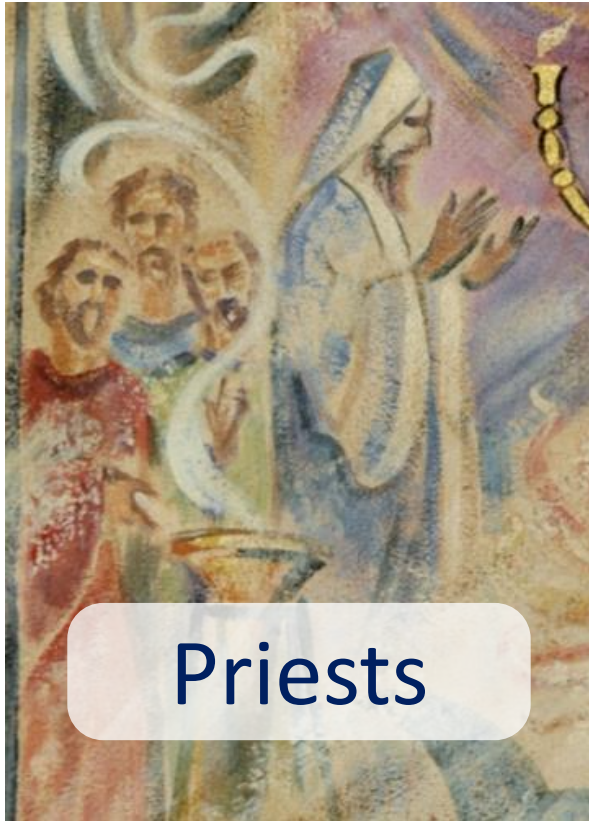
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high and lifted up...Above him stood the
seraphim...And one called to another
and said: “Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts”

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Nation
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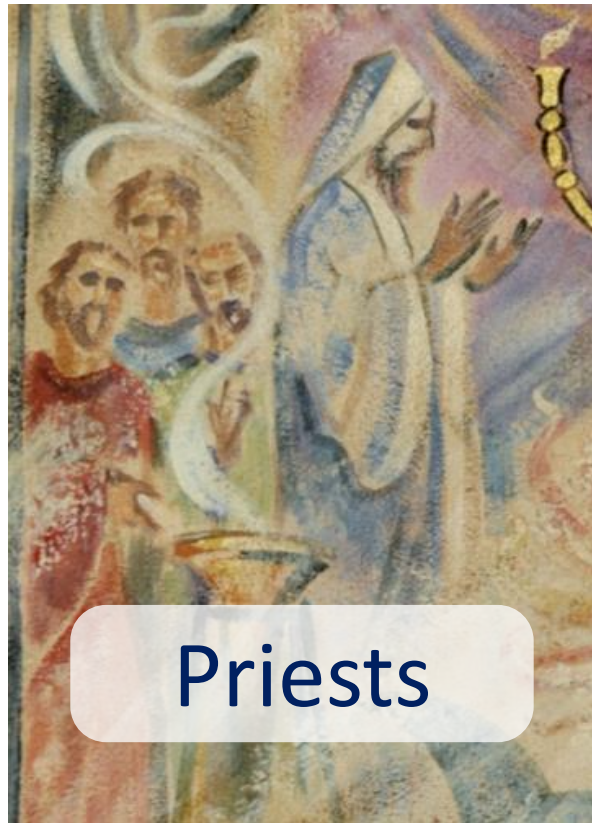


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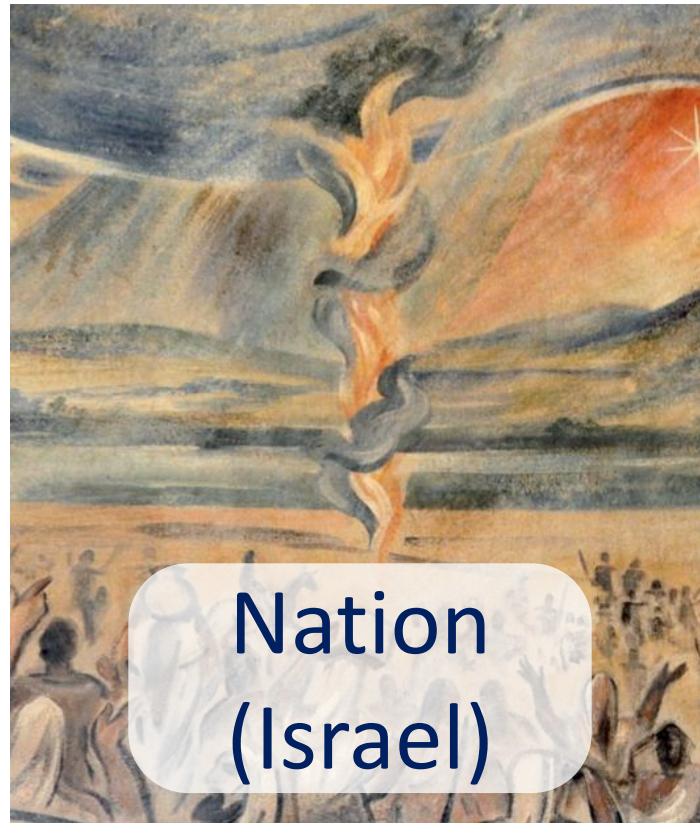


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“The Holy One of Israel” (25 times in Isaiah alone)
“Holy in Righteousness”

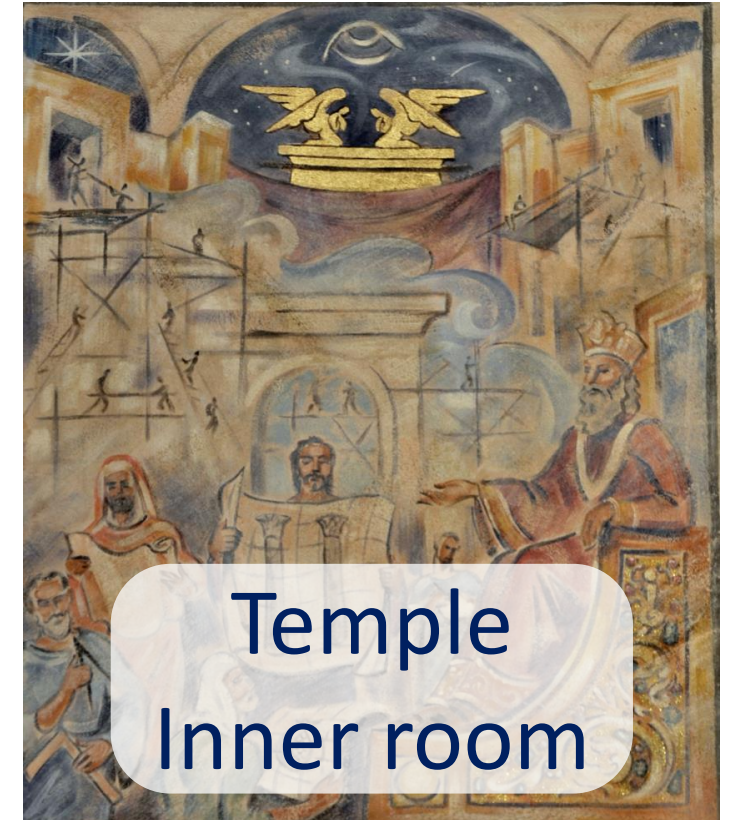
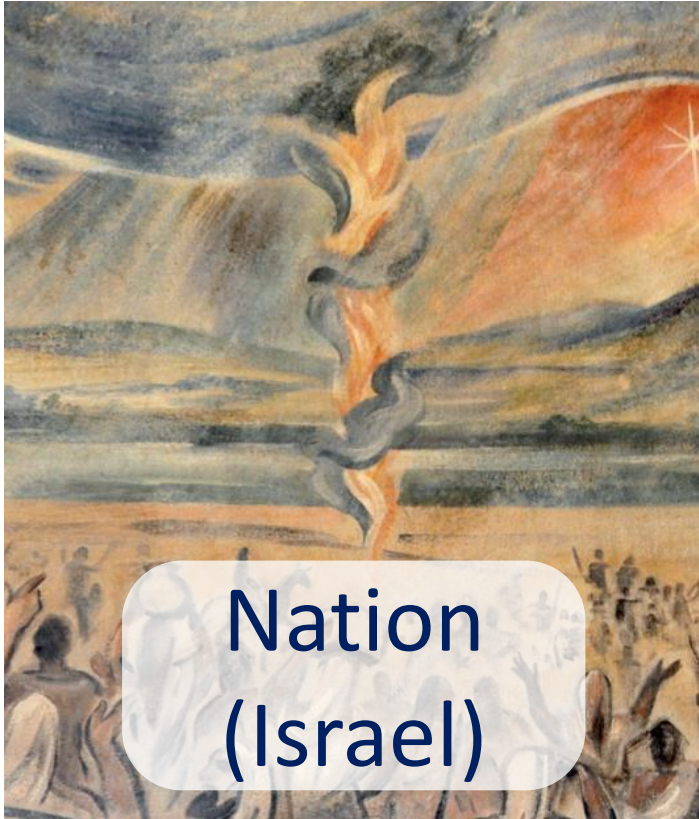
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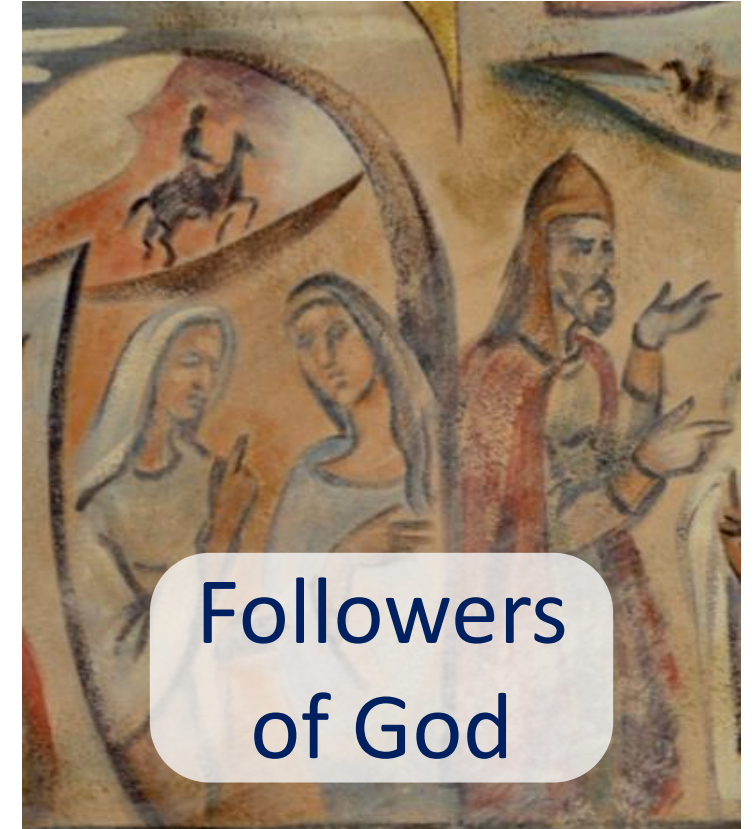
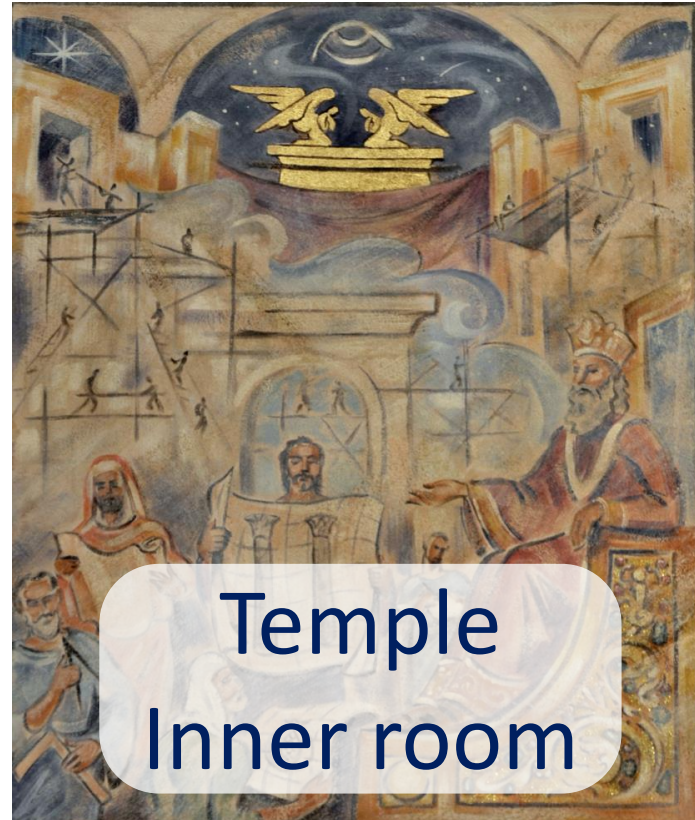
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“Psa. 34:9 Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints,
for those who fear him have no lack!”



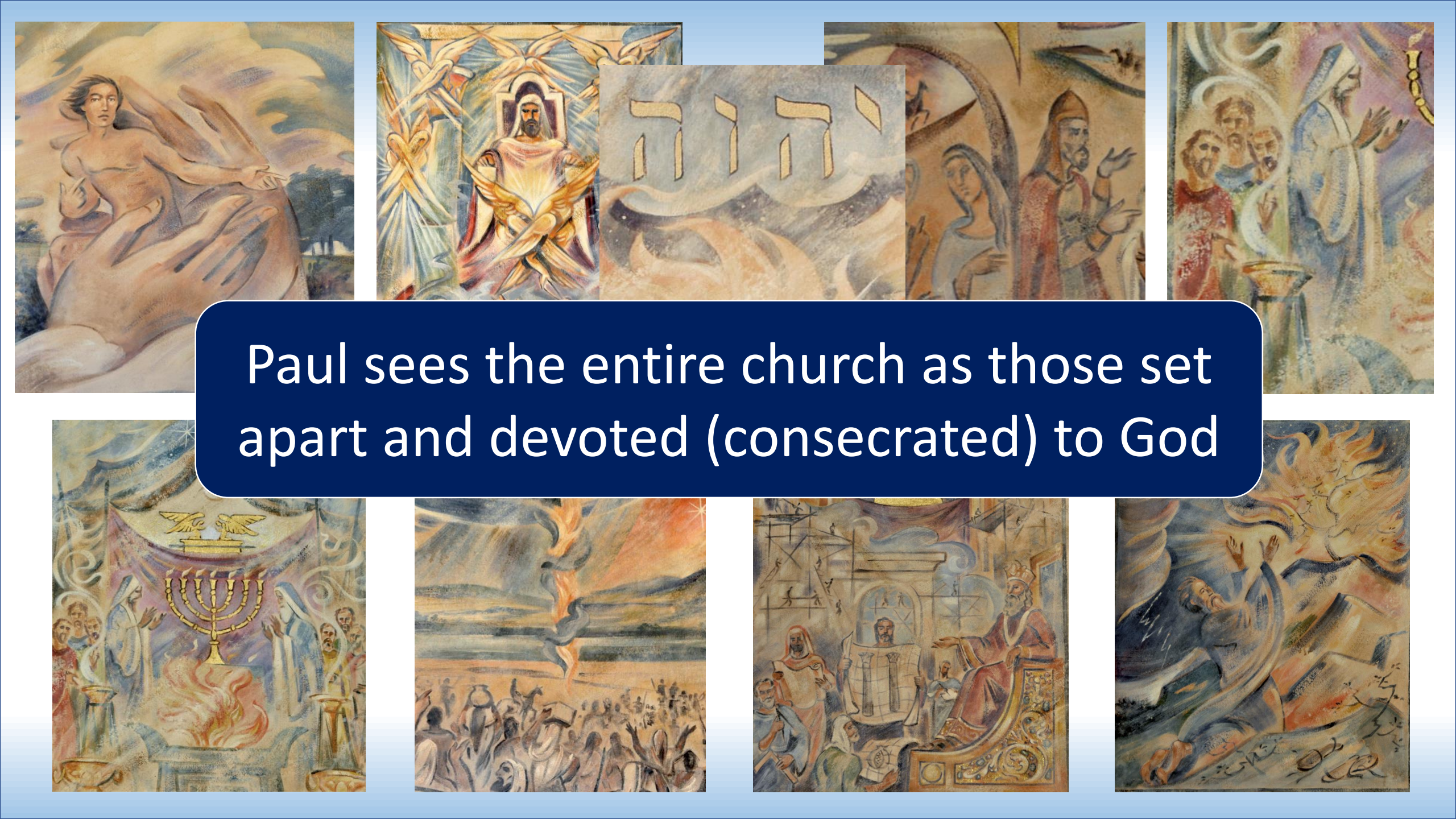
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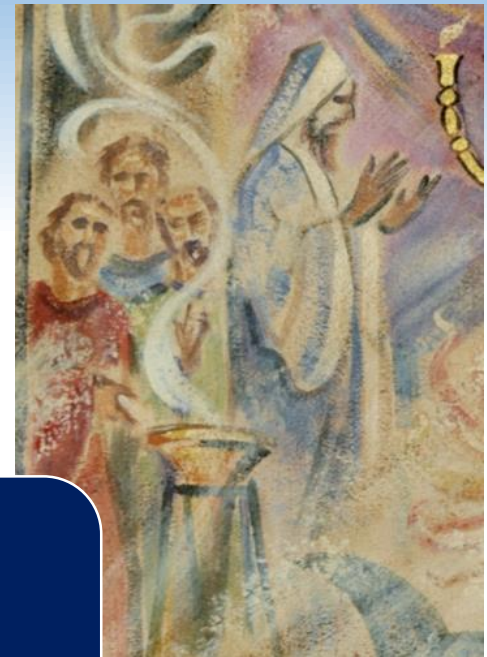
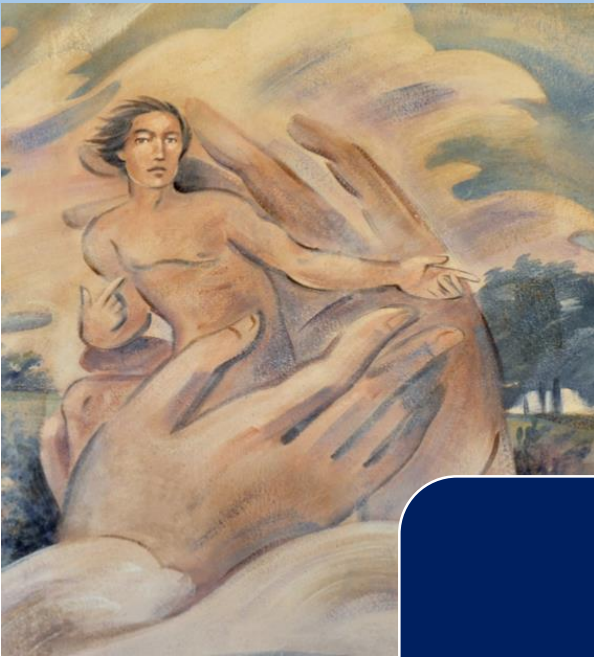
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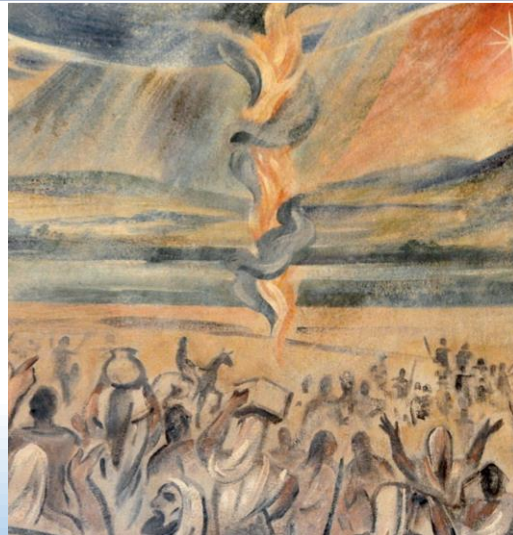
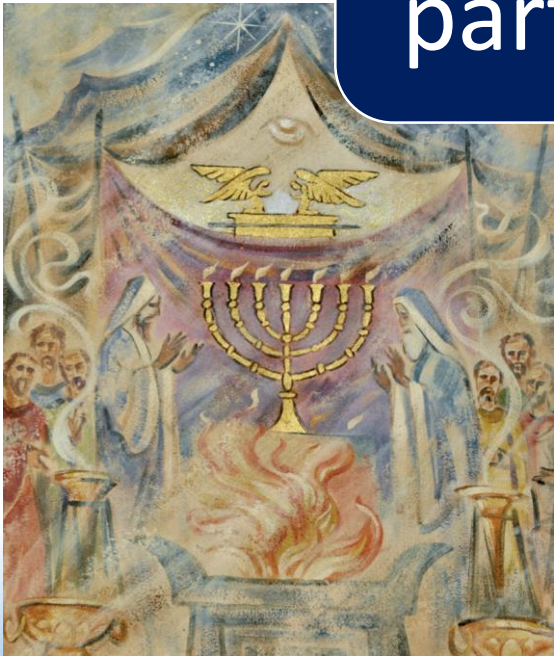
Followers
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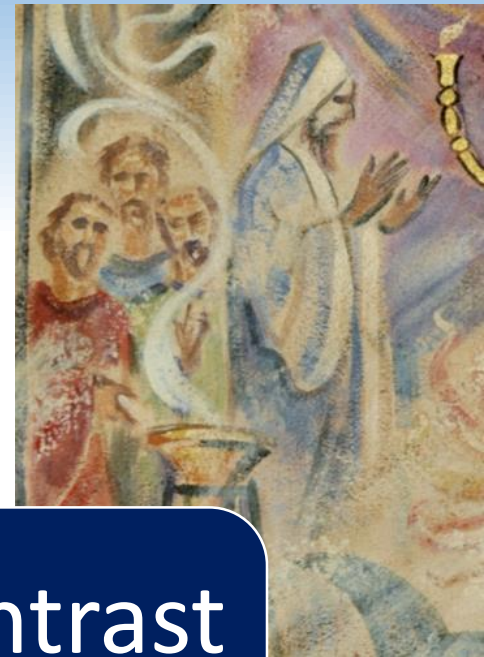


Paul sees the entire church as those set apart and devoted (consecrated) to God

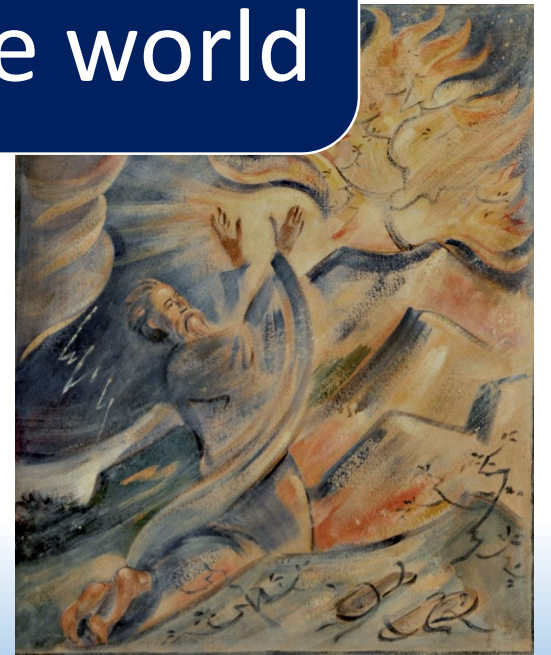
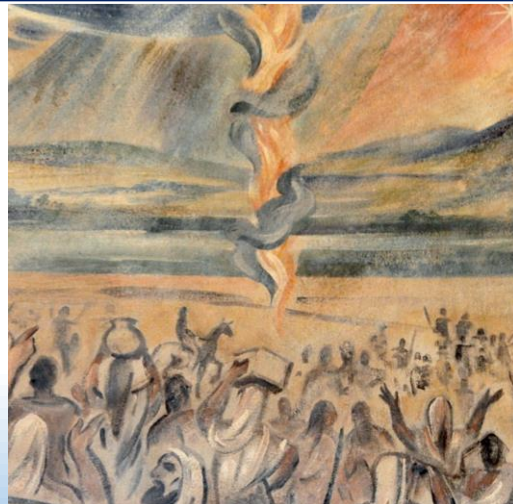
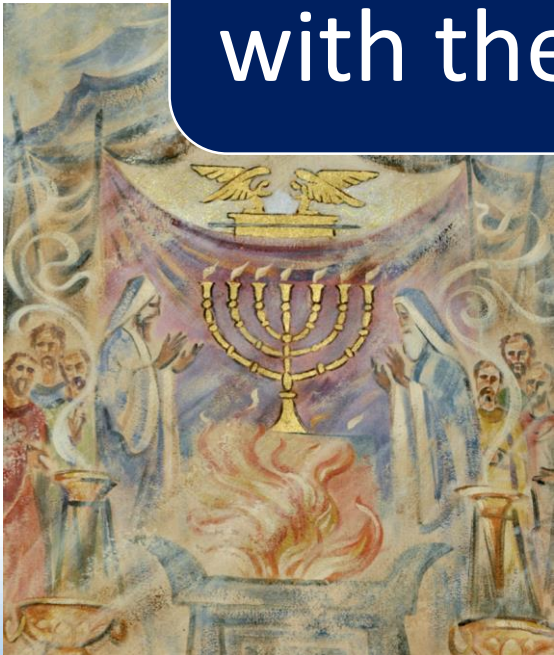


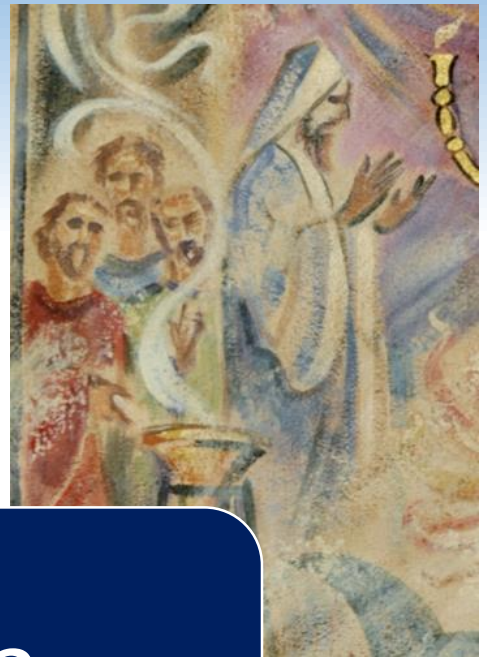
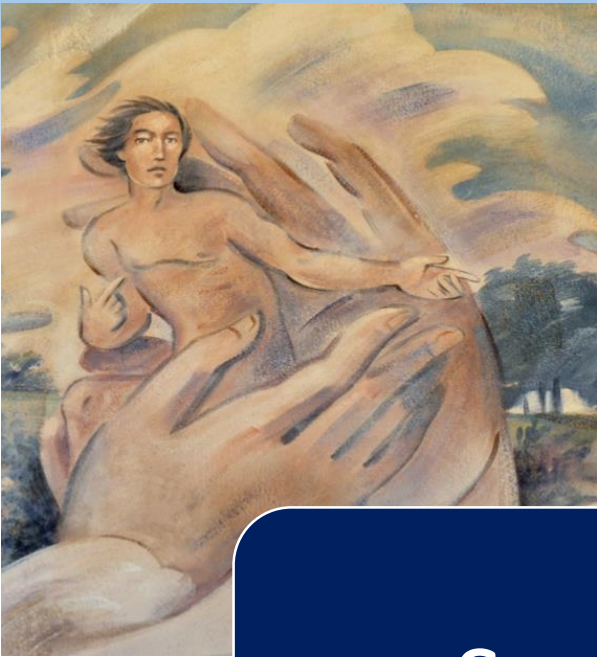
Paul sees the entire church as participating in God's Divine Majesty



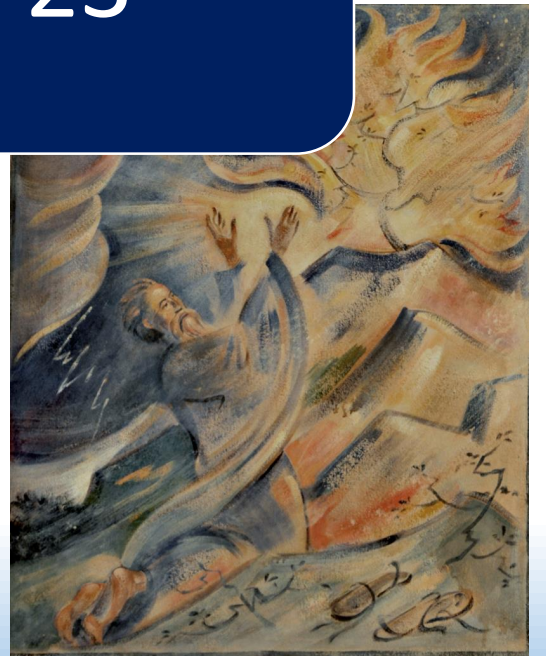
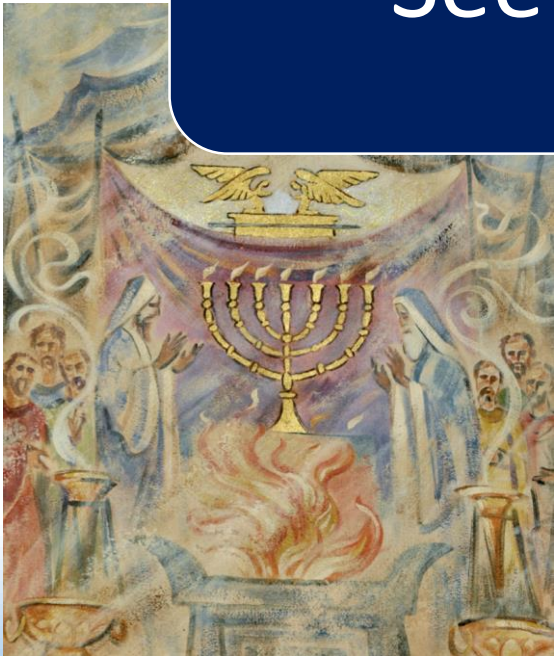


Paul sees the entire church in glaring contrast with the sensuality and impurity of the world

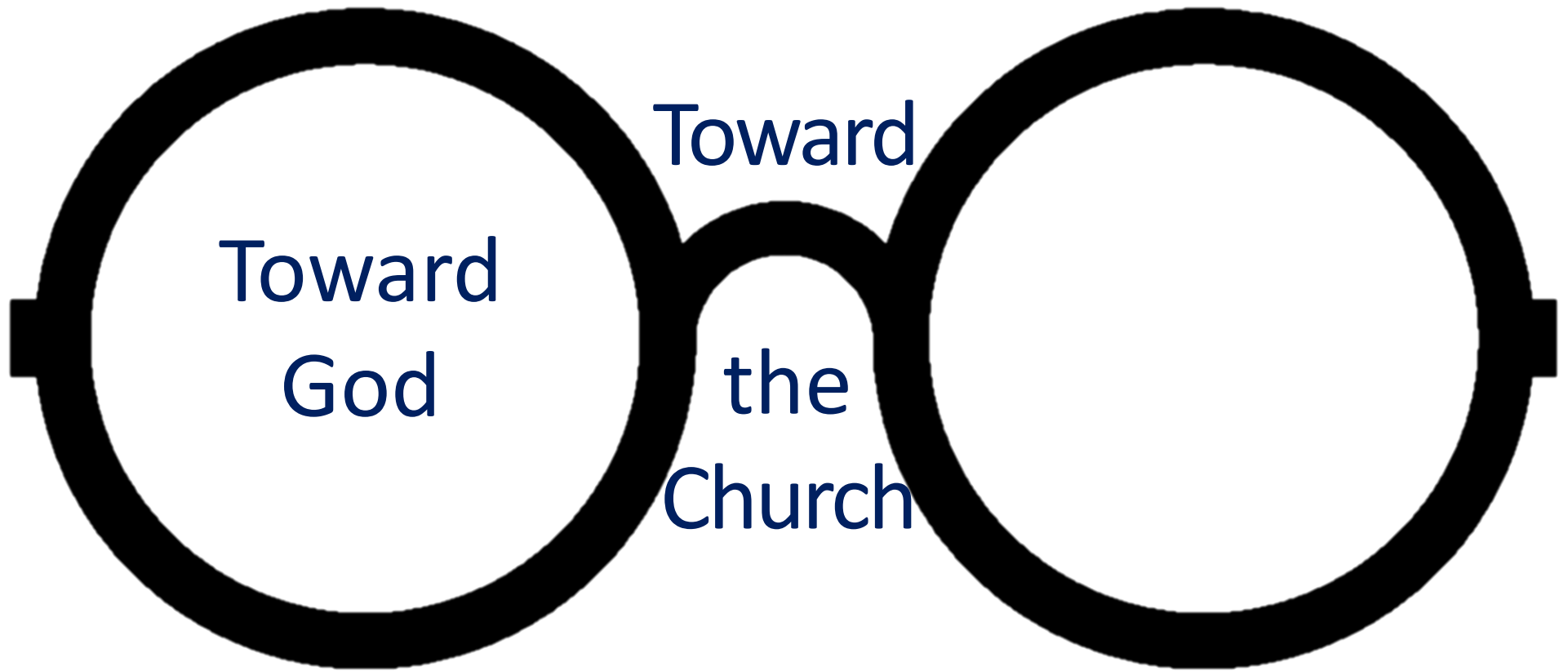




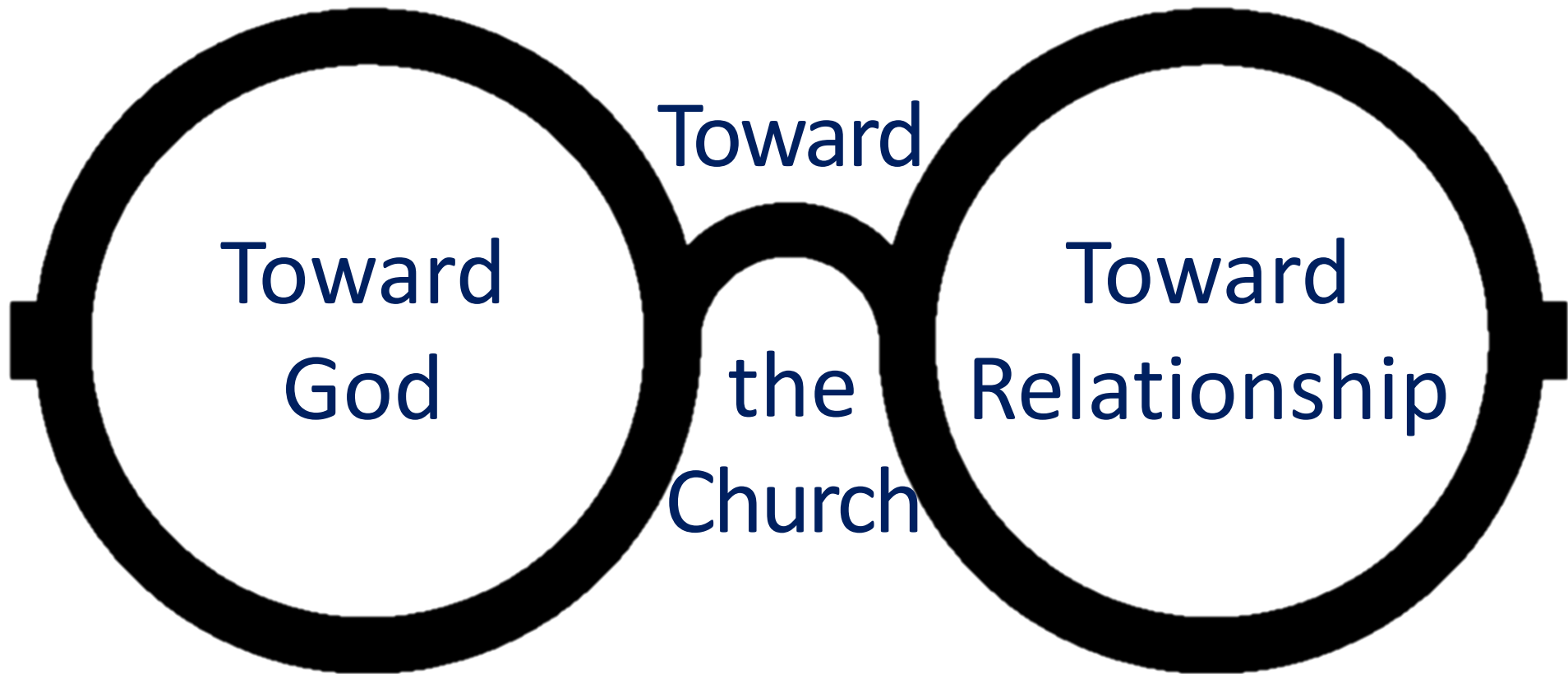
See John 17, esp. verses 11,14, 15-23



Paul's Attitude



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To all the saints **in Christ
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Τιμόθεος δοῦλοι
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Jn. 14:18-20 “I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.

To all the saints **in Christ Jesus** who are at Philippi, with the overseers and deacons

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We reside
“in Christ”
(1:1; 4:21)



We glory “in Christ”
(1:26; 3:3)



We seek the mind “in Christ” (2:5)





Our upward call from
God is “in Christ”
(3:14)

God's peace guards our hearts
and minds "in Christ" (4:7)



God supplies our every need
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Phi
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These words denote the most intimate
living union that can be conceived
between the believer and the risen Lord

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This is Paul's mystic understanding:
the believer gives up his life to Christ
and receives the life of Christ

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Points to Ponder:



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Jesus as Lord



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“You call me Teacher and Lord, and
you are right, for so I am.
If I then, your Lord and Teacher...”
(Jn 13:13-14)

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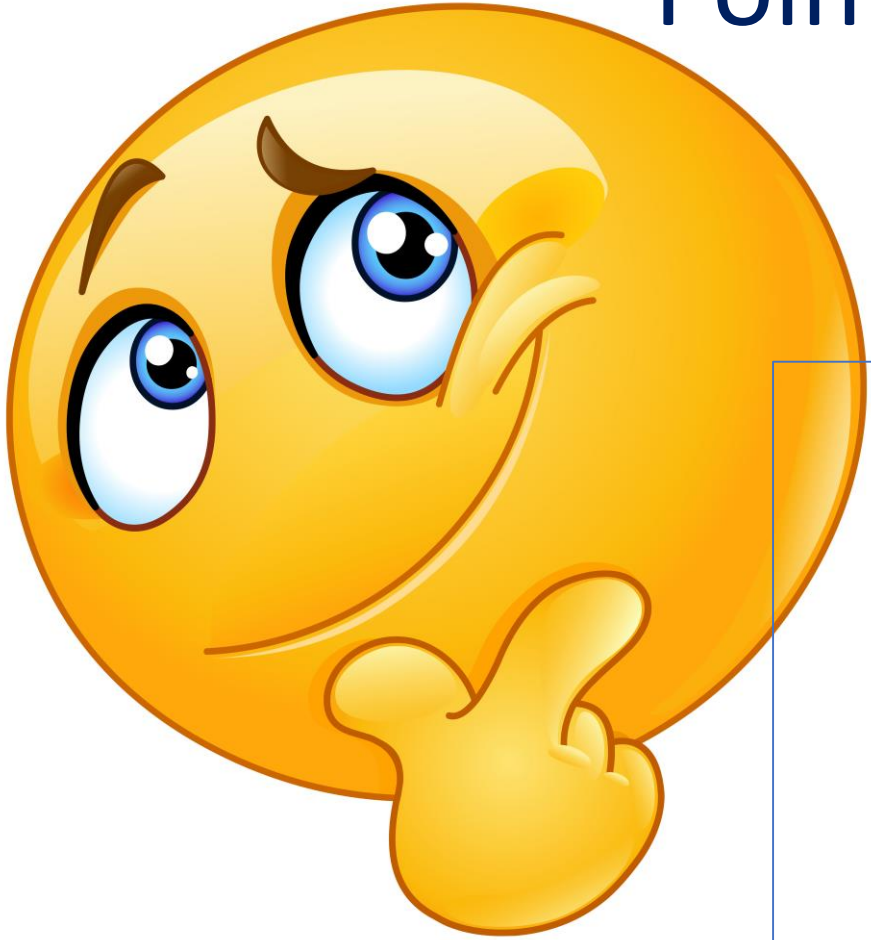
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“I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship” (Rm. 12:1)

Points to Ponder:



Let's live in Christ

We “are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus... So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus”

Rm. 3:24; 6:11

Time for church!

