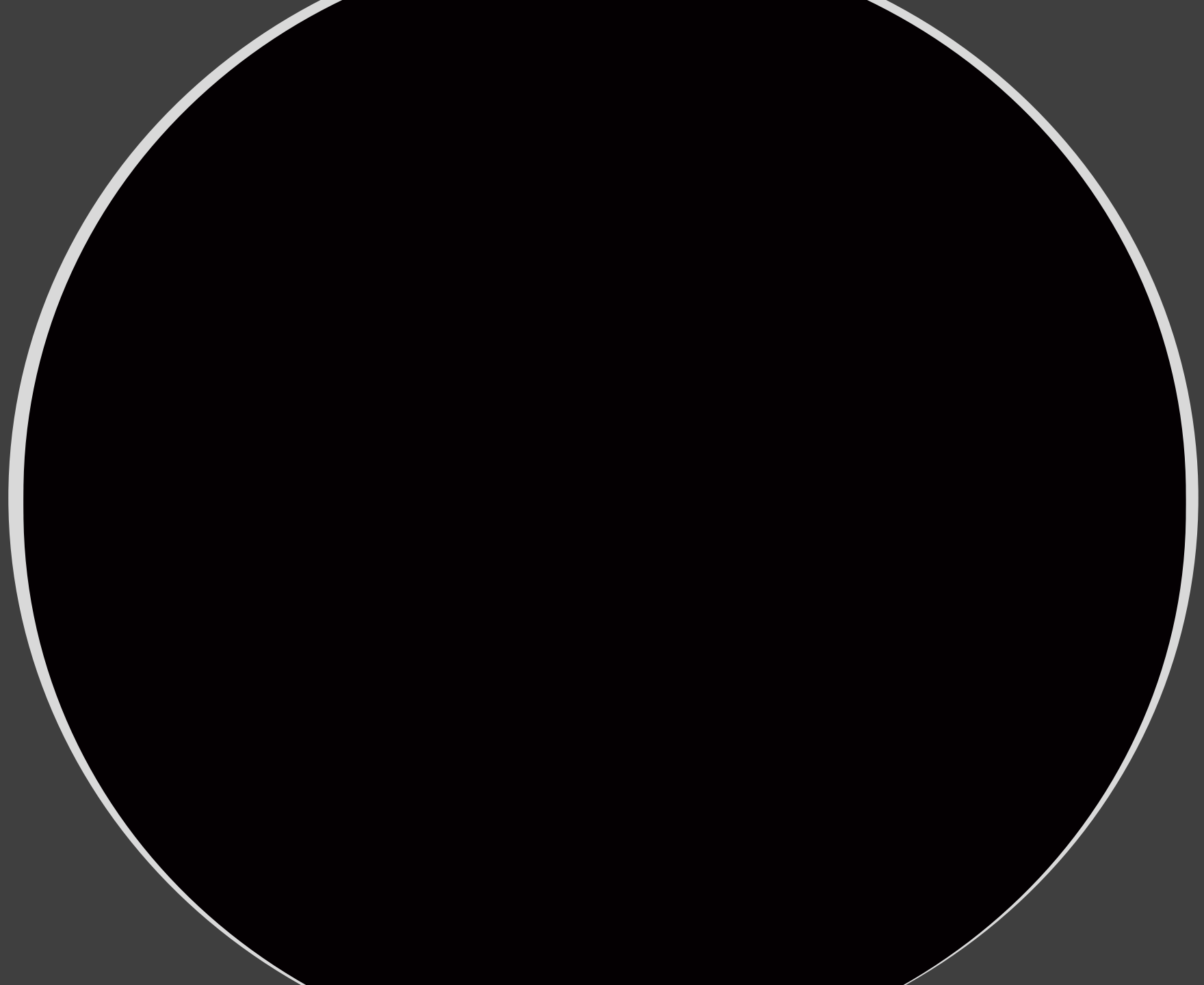




Snapshots of Jesus



A theme of Luke:
God is reversing
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A great reversal is
occurring in the
world at the
hands of God



Witness God's great
concern for the outsiders!



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Lk. 10:38 Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house.

Lk. 10:38 Ἐν δὲ τῷ πορεύεσθαι αὐτοὺς αὐτὸς εἰσῆλθεν εἰς κώμην τινά· γυνὴ δὲ τις ὀνόματι Μάρθα ὑπεδέξατο αὐτόν.

This is odd...



Lk. 10:39 And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching.

Lk. 10:39 καὶ τῆδε ἦν ἀδελφὴ καλουμένη Μαριάμ, [ἡ] καὶ παρακαθεσθεῖσα πρὸς τοὺς πόδας τοῦ κυρίου ἤκουεν τὸν λόγον αὐτοῦ.

This is odd...



Really odd!!!





““And teach them [the Torah] to your sons’
(beneichem; Dt.11:19)—your sons, but not
your daughters.”

Pisqa’ 46 (*Sifre Devarim*)

Rabbi Akiva



“Rabbi Eliezer says: ‘Anyone who teaches his daughter Torah is teaching her promiscuity.’ The Gemara asks: Could it enter your mind to say that teaching one’s daughter Torah is actually teaching her promiscuity? Rather, say: It is considered as if he taught her promiscuity.”

(Sotah 21b)

Rabbi Eliezer



“Women’s wisdom is solely in the spindle....The words of the Torah should be burned rather than entrusted to women.”

(JT Sotah 3:4 19a)

Rabbi Eliezer

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perispaō (περισπάω):
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polus (πολύς):
Excessive – lots

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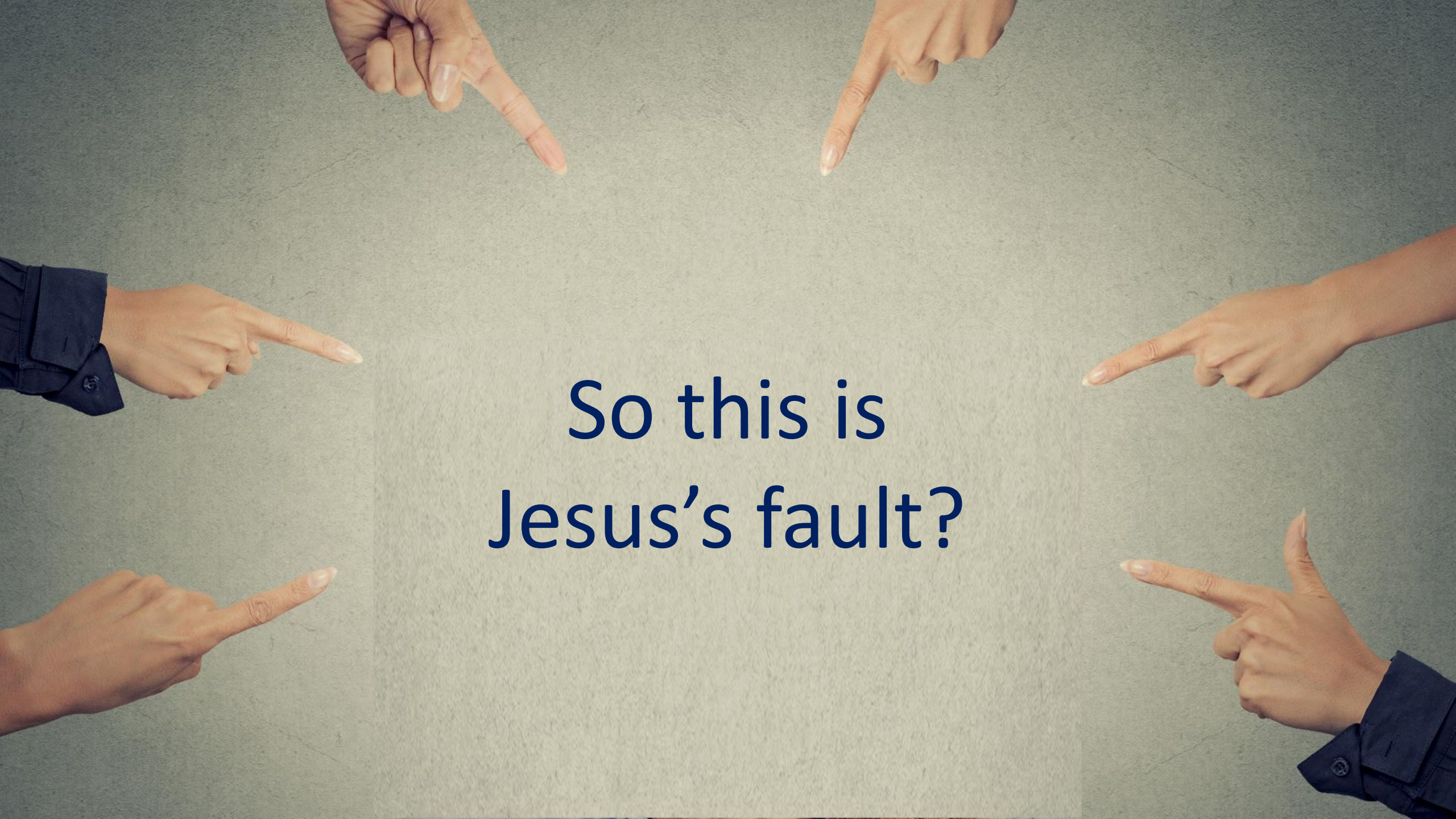
monos (μόνος):
alone, only

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So this is
Jesus's fault?

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merimnao (μεριμνάω):
excessive care, worry

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thorubazo (θορυβάζω):
distracted, agitated, emotionally disturbed

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A word on
worry...

Mt. 11:28-30

Jn. 14:27

1 Pt. 5:7

Phil. 4:6-7

Mt. 6:34

Jer. 17:7-8



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Lk. 11:27 As he said these things, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, “Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts at which you nursed!”

Lk. 11:27 Ἐγένετο δὲ ἐν τῷ λέγειν αὐτὸν ταῦτα ἐπάρασά τις φωνὴν γυνὴ ἐκ τοῦ ὄχλου εἶπεν αὐτῷ· μακαρία ἡ κοιλία ἢ βαστάσασά σε καὶ μαστοὶ οὓς ἐθήλασας.

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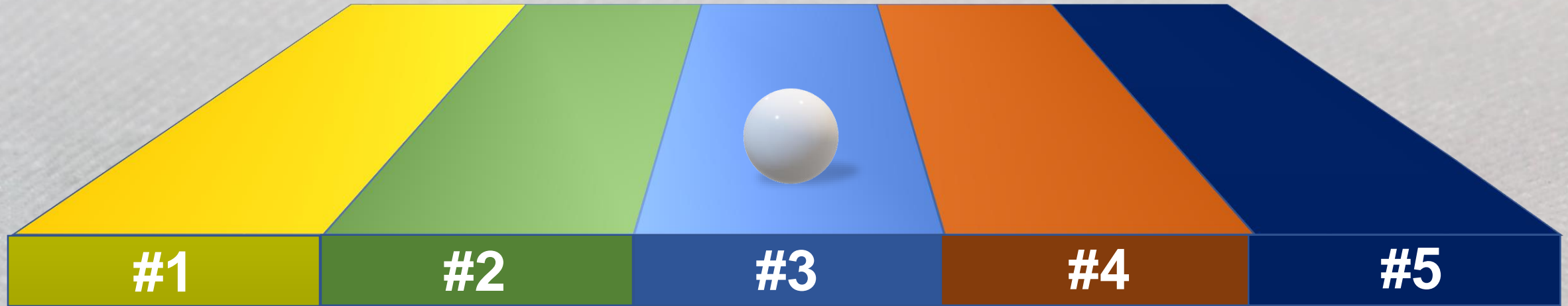
Jesus re-focuses the praise



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Lk. 13:10 Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath.

Lk. 13:10 Ἦν δὲ διδάσκων ἐν μιᾷ τῶν συναγωγῶν ἐν τοῖς σάββασιν.

Lk. 13:11 And behold, there was a woman who had had a disabling spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not fully straighten herself.

Lk. 13:11 καὶ ἰδοὺ γυνή πνεῦμα ἔχουσα ἀσθενείας ἔτη δεκαοκτὼ καὶ ἦν συγκύπτουσα καὶ μὴ δυναμένη ἀνακύψαι εἰς τὸ παντελές.



“R. Joshua b. R. Nehemiah said ... He created him with four attributes of the higher beings [i.e. angels] and four attributes of the lower beings [i.e. beasts]. [The four attributes of] the higher beings are: he stands upright...”

(Gen Rab. 8:11)

Rabbi Joshua

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Lk. 13:13 And he laid his hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and she glorified God.

Lk. 13:13 καὶ ἐπέθηκεν αὐτῇ τὰς χεῖρας· καὶ παραχρῆμα ἀνωρθώθη καὶ ἐδόξαζεν τὸν θεόν.

Don't miss this big picture!
Sin, the fall, the bondage,
the work of Christ



Lk. 13:14 But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days in which work ought to be done. **Come on those days and be healed**, and not on the Sabbath day."

Lk. 13:14 Ἀποκριθεὶς δὲ ὁ ἀρχισυνάγωγος, ἀγανακτῶν ὅτι τῷ σαββάτῳ ἐθεράπευσεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς, ἔλεγεν τῷ ὄχλῳ ὅτι ἕξ ἡμέραι εἰσὶν ἐν αἷς δεῖ ἐργάζεσθαι· **ἐν αὐταῖς οὖν ἐρχόμενοι θεραπεύεσθε** καὶ μὴ τῇ ἡμέρᾳ τοῦ σαββάτου.

Lk. 13:15 Then **the Lord** answered him, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it away to water it?”

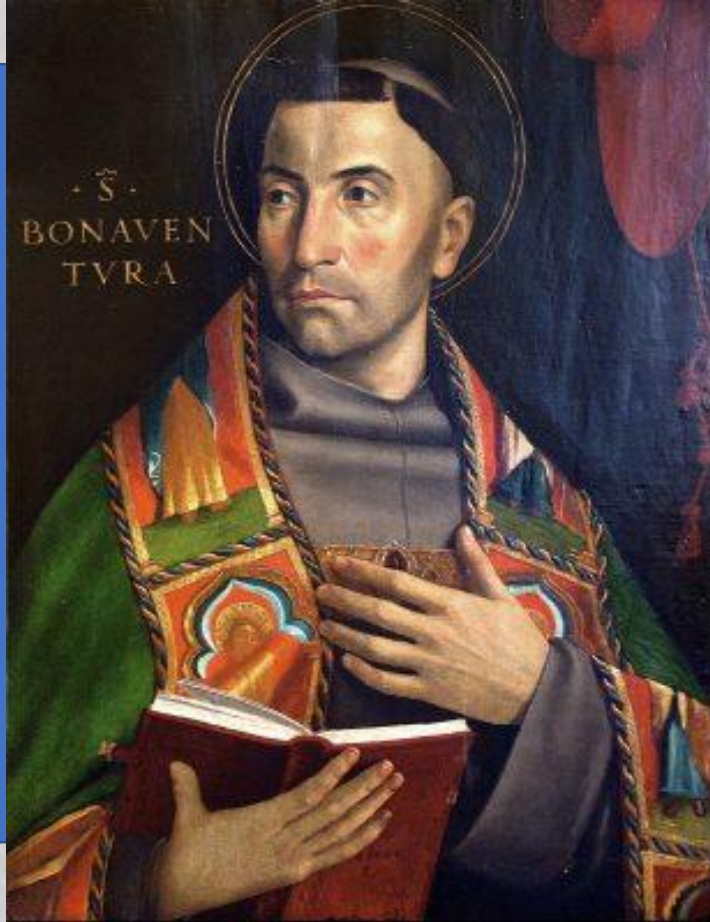
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Lk. 13:16 And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?"

Lk. 13:16 ταύτην δὲ θυγατέρα Ἀβραὰμ οὕσαν, ἣν ἔδησεν ὁ σατανᾶς ἰδοὺ δέκα καὶ ὀκτὼ ἔτη, οὐκ ἔδει λυθῆναι ἀπὸ τοῦ δεσμοῦ τούτου τῇ ἡμέρᾳ τοῦ σαββάτου;

Lk. 13:17 As he said these things, all his adversaries were put to shame, and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by him.

Lk. 13:17 καὶ ταῦτα λέγοντος αὐτοῦ κατησχύνοντο πάντες οἱ ἀντικείμενοι αὐτῷ, καὶ πᾶς ὁ ὄχλος ἔχαιρεν ἐπὶ πᾶσιν τοῖς ἐνδόξοις τοῖς γινομένοις ὑπ' αὐτοῦ.



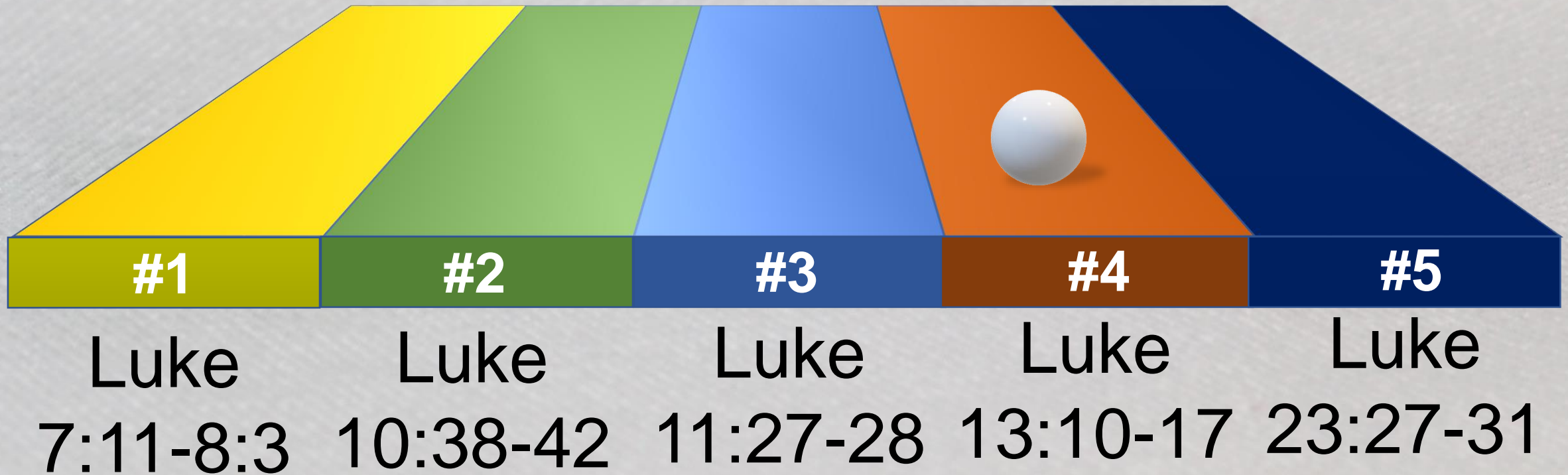
Saint Bonaventure wrote of the curve of the soul toward the world and its charms.

(Comm. in Luc. 13:24)



John Calvin saw that God's grace didn't rest on the Sabbath. That day is God's special day for saving his people!

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Lk. 23:27 And there followed him a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him.

Lk. 23:27 Ἠκολούθει δὲ αὐτῷ πολὺ πλῆθος τοῦ λαοῦ καὶ γυναικῶν αἱ ἐκόπτοντο καὶ ἐθρήνουν αὐτόν.

Lk. 23:28 But turning to them Jesus said,
“Daughters of Jerusalem,
do not weep for me, but
weep for yourselves and
for your children.

Lk. 23:28 στραφεὶς δὲ πρὸς
αὐτὰς [ὁ] Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν·
θυγατέρες Ἰερουσαλήμ, μὴ
κλαίετε ἐπ’ ἐμέ· πλὴν ἐφ’
ἑαυτὰς κλαίετε καὶ ἐπὶ τὰ
τέκνα ὑμῶν,

Chiasm emphasis of “I” and “you”

Lk. 23:29 For behold, the days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!'

Λκ. 23:29 ὅτι ἰδοὺ ἔρχονται
ἡμέραι ἐν αἷς ἐροῦσιν·
μακάριαι αἱ στείραι καὶ αἱ
κοιλία αἱ οὐκ ἐγέννησαν καὶ
μαστοὶ οἱ οὐκ ἔθρεψαν.

Lk. 23:30-31 Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

Lk. 23:30-31 τότε ἄρξονται λέγειν τοῖς ὄρεσιν· πέσετε ἐφ' ἡμᾶς, καὶ τοῖς βουνοῖς· καλύψατε ἡμᾶς· ὅτι εἰ ἐν τῷ ὑγρῷ ξύλῳ ταῦτα ποιοῦσιν, ἐν τῷ ξηρῷ τί γένηται;

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