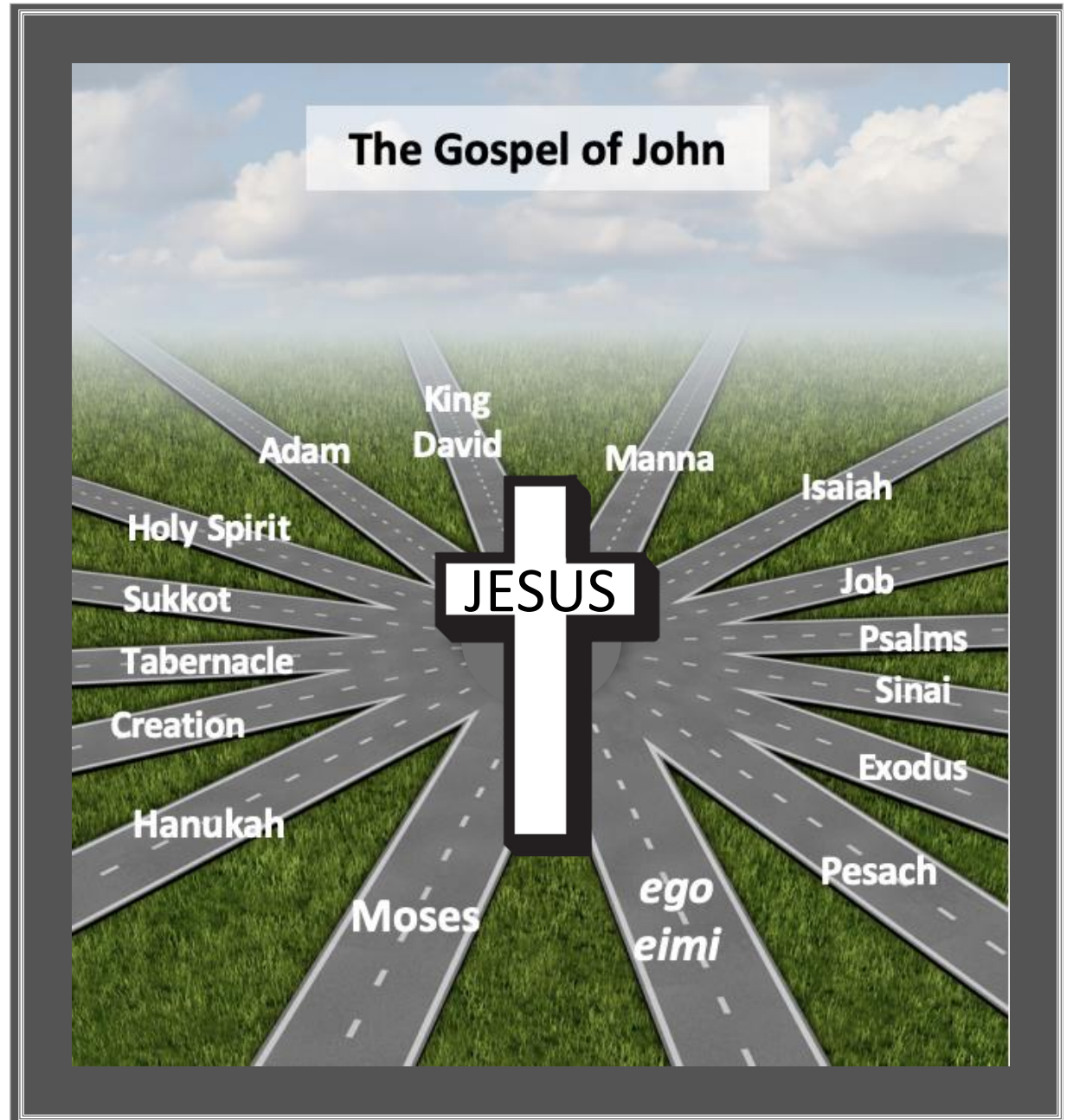


Finding the Old Testament in the Gospel of John



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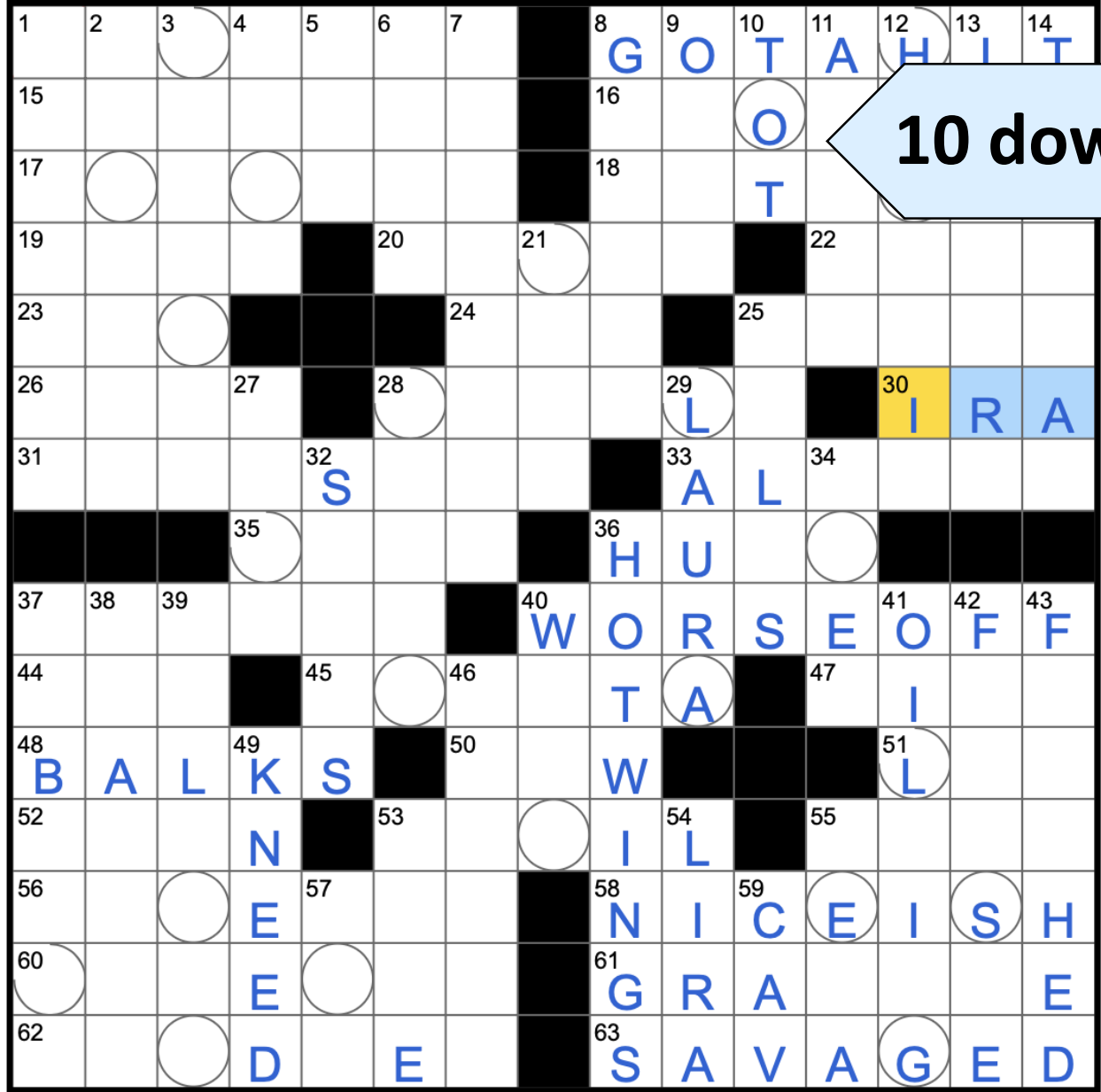
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and without him
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Warning: This is
something to be
done with great care!



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Consider John 5:1-9

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Look how many times
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John 2:13 Jesus spoke
of his body as the
temple at Passover




John 6:4 Jesus fed the
masses at Passover



John 7:1 Jesus spoke of himself
on the last day of Sukkot



A young girl with dark hair, wearing a light-colored patterned shirt and a watch, is lighting candles on a silver candelabra. The scene is dimly lit, with the primary light source being the flames of the candles. To the left, there is a vase of orange and yellow flowers. In the foreground, a plate and a glass are visible on the table. The background shows other people, slightly out of focus.

John 10:22 Jesus explained
the God who secured the
temple, secures his people

John 11:55 Jesus' death at Passover



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Which feast is not important. That it is a feast of the Jews is the clue.

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John's Guide to Jesus sites

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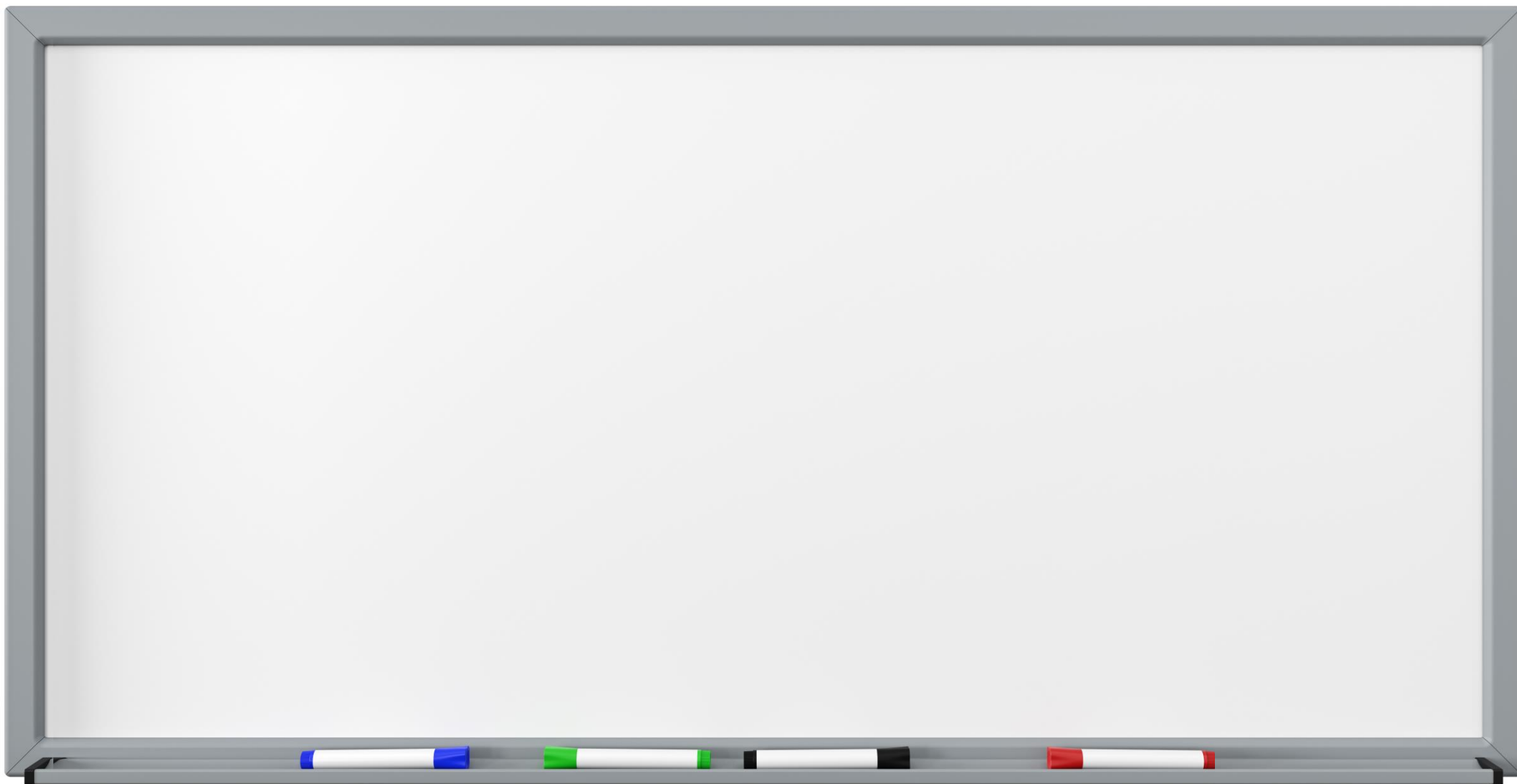
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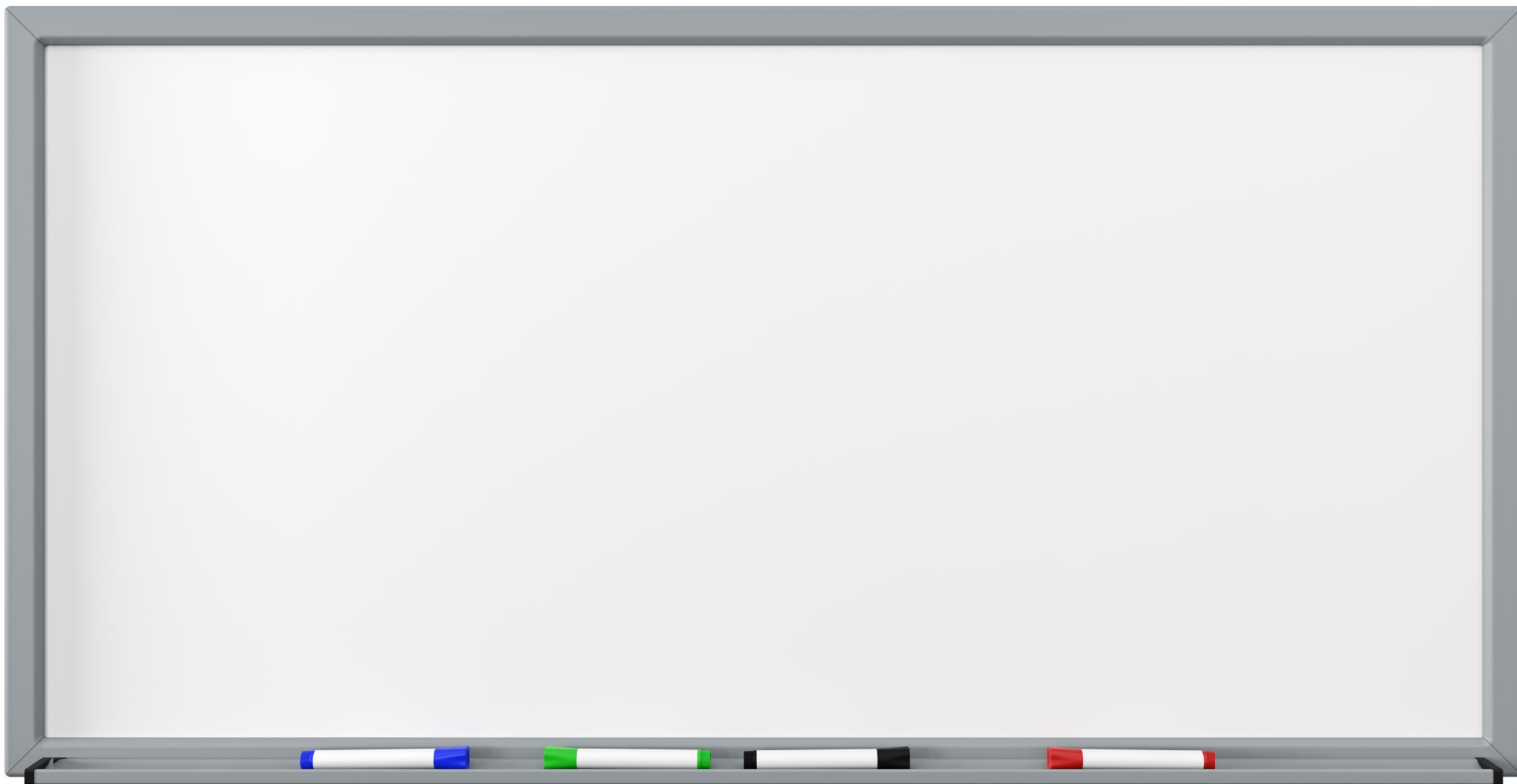
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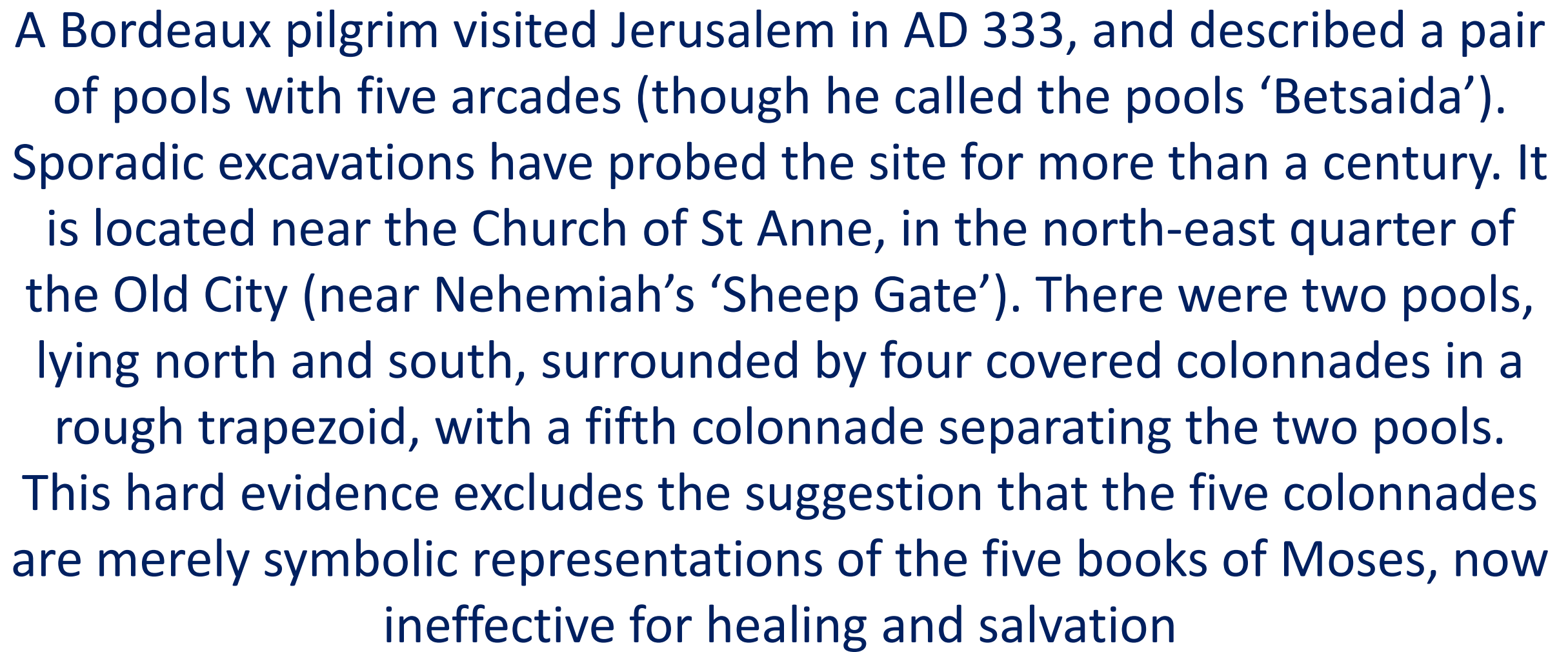
Ruins of Pool of Bethesda



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The Torah is supported by five books

The background image shows a view of Jerusalem's Old City. In the upper left, there is a large, light-colored stone building with multiple arched windows, partially obscured by tall, thin evergreen trees. To the right, modern residential buildings with red-tiled roofs and satellite dishes are visible. The lower portion of the image shows a stone wall and a metal railing, suggesting an archaeological site or a high vantage point overlooking the city.

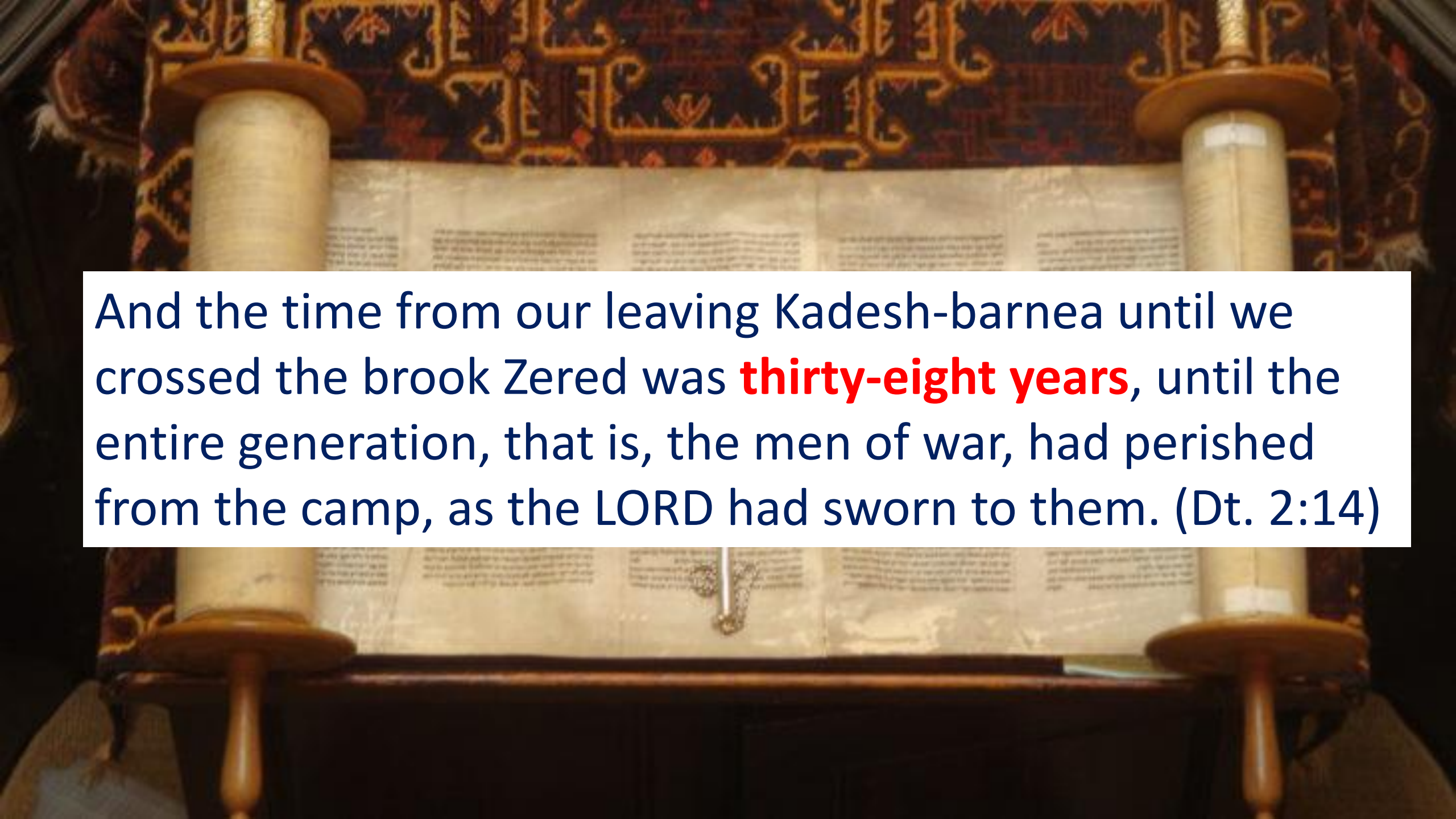
A Bordeaux pilgrim visited Jerusalem in AD 333, and described a pair of pools with five arcades (though he called the pools 'Betsaida'). Sporadic excavations have probed the site for more than a century. It is located near the Church of St Anne, in the north-east quarter of the Old City (near Nehemiah's 'Sheep Gate'). There were two pools, lying north and south, surrounded by four covered colonnades in a rough trapezoid, with a fifth colonnade separating the two pools. This hard evidence excludes the suggestion that the five colonnades are merely symbolic representations of the five books of Moses, now ineffective for healing and salvation

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John's Book of Gospel Trivia





And the time from our leaving Kadesh-barnea until we crossed the brook Zered was **thirty-eight years**, until the entire generation, that is, the men of war, had perished from the camp, as the LORD had sworn to them. (Dt. 2:14)

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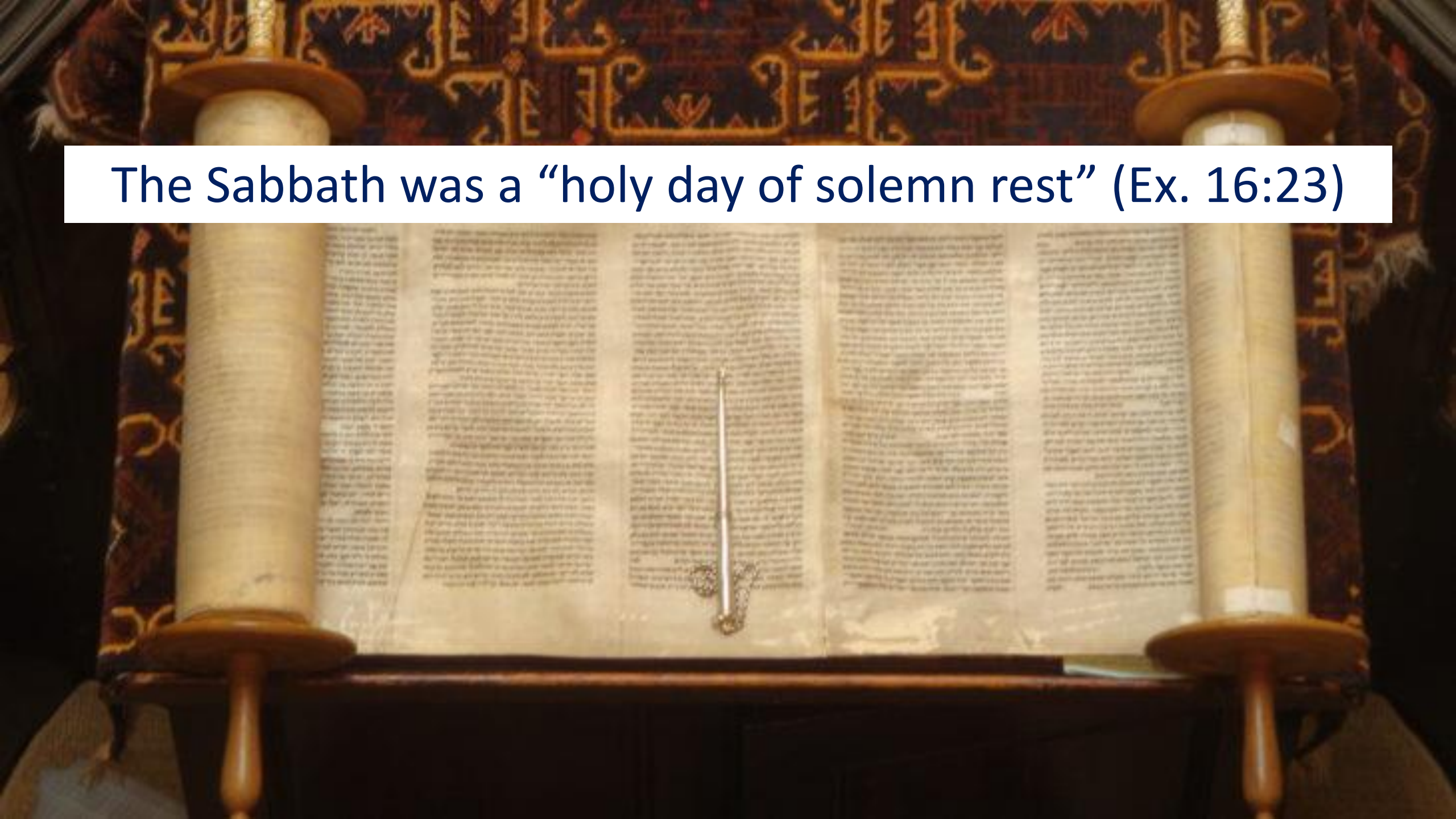
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God instructed Israel to do no work on that day (Ex. 20:10)



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The background is a classical painting depicting the biblical story of Jesus healing the man with the withered arm. Jesus, with long brown hair and a beard, wearing a red tunic and a blue cloak, stands in the center, gesturing with his right hand towards the man. The man, who is bald and wearing a simple tunic, is walking away from Jesus, carrying a large, heavy mat on his back. To the left, a group of men, including some in religious robes, are watching the scene. In the foreground, several people are kneeling or sitting on the ground, some appearing to be in pain or seeking help. The setting is an ancient building with large columns and arches. In the upper right corner, an angel with large, feathered wings is visible, looking down at the scene. The overall style is dramatic and detailed, with strong contrasts of light and shadow.

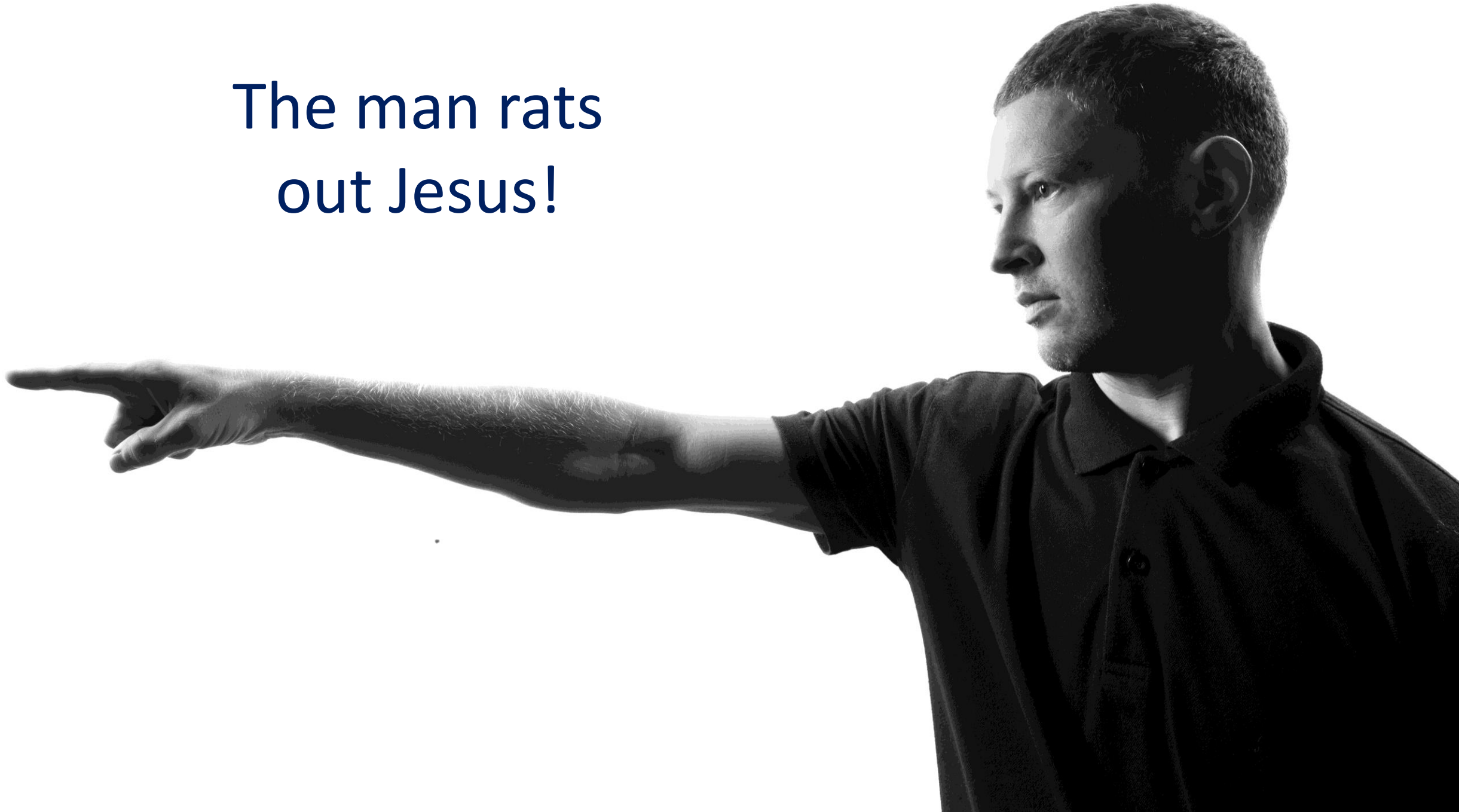
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PROBLEM 2:

Jesus told the man to carry his mat

The man rats
out Jesus!



See clearly who Jesus is ...



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Jesus worked God's works: “Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise” (5:19)

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Jesus was privy to God's plans: “For the Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing. And greater works than these will he show him, so that you may marvel” (5:20)

See clearly who Jesus is ...

Jesus had God's power to give life: “For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom he will...For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself.”
(5:21, 26)

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This power is based on Jesus as the Son of God :

“Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live” (5:25)

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Jesus had God's authority: “The Father judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son” (5:22)



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Jesus was worthy of the honor due God: “that all may honor the Son, just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him” (5:23)

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Jesus was attested to by Scripture: “You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me, yet you refuse to come to me that you may have life” (5:39-40)

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Jesus was there on the Father's behalf: “I have come in my Father's name” (5:43)



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Jesus was the source of life: “whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life”
(5:24)



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If you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me. But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe my words?" (Jn. 5:46-47)







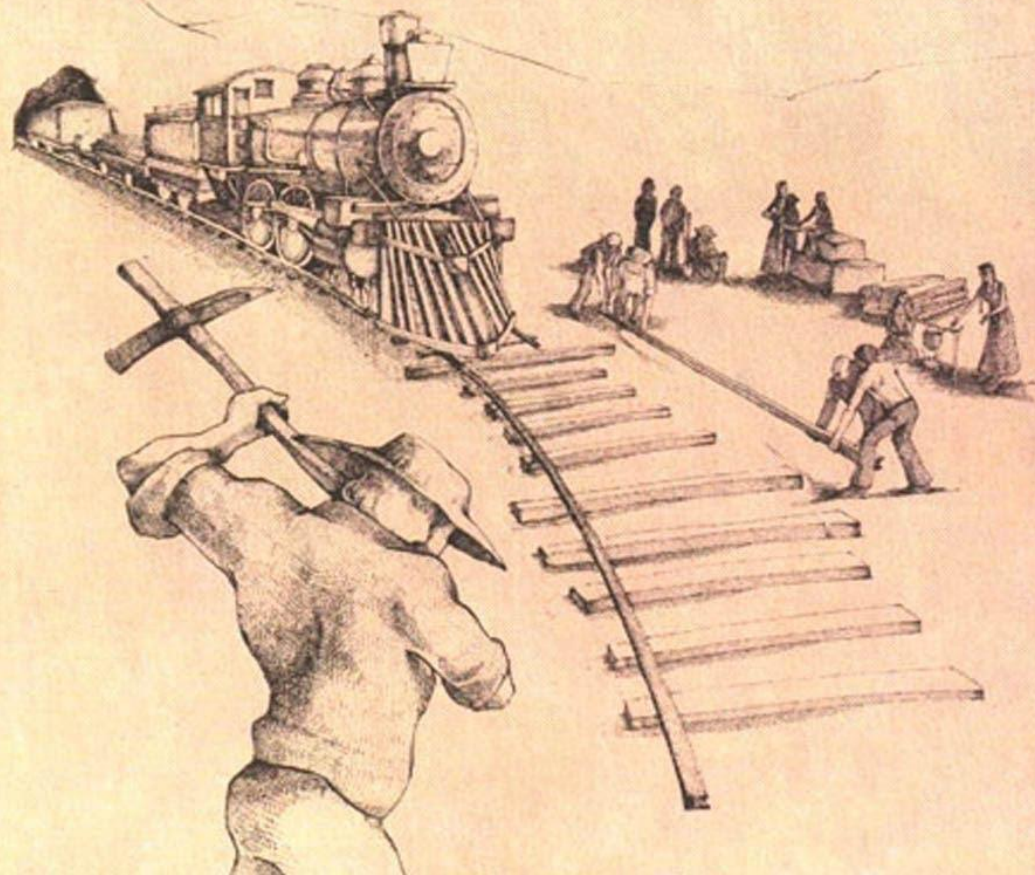
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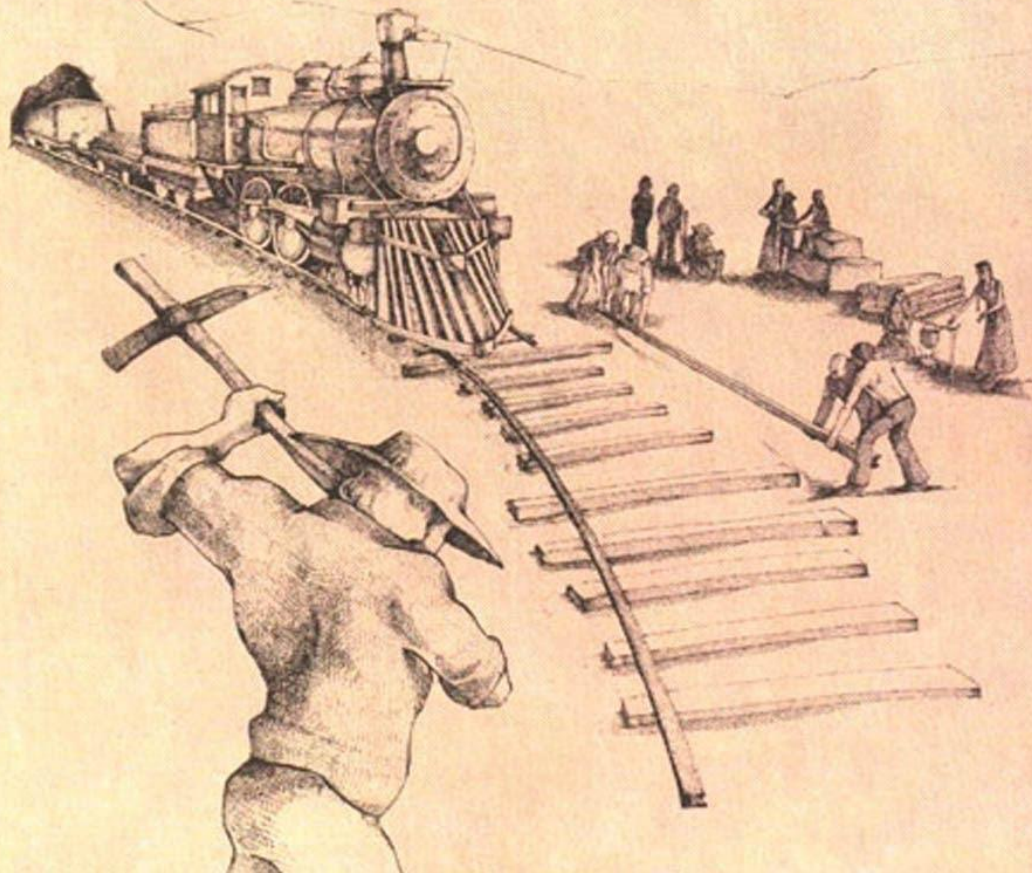
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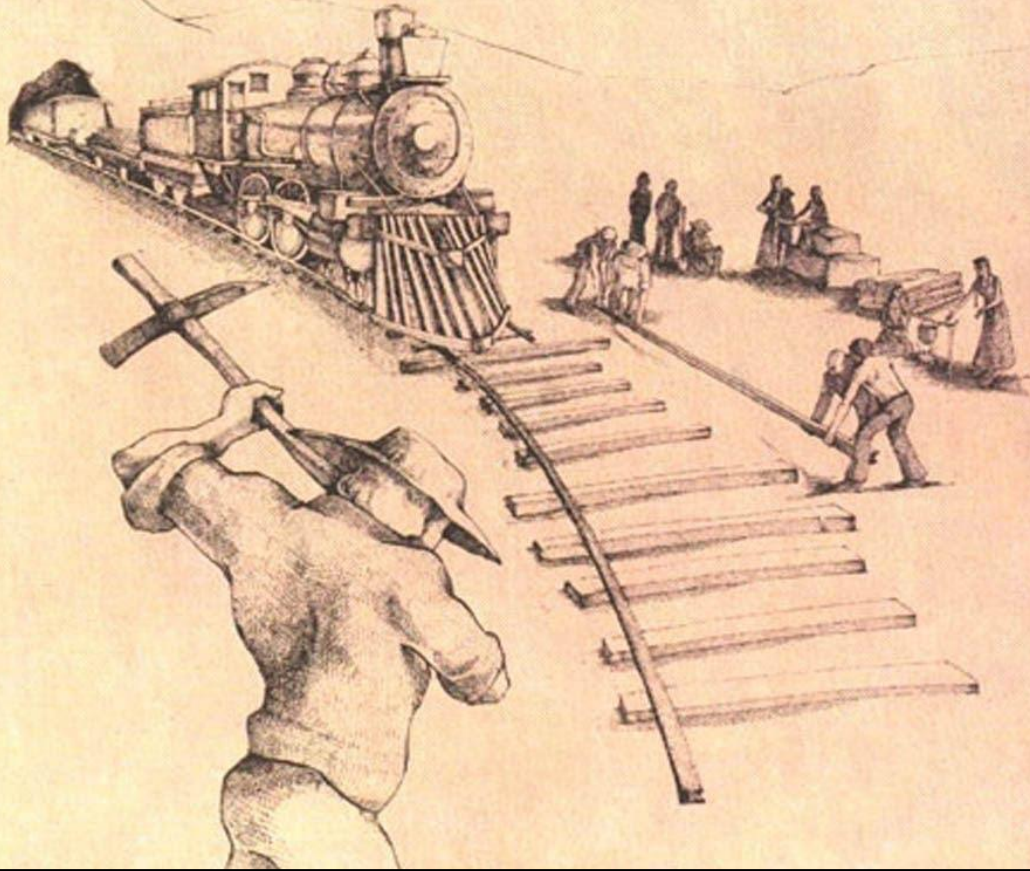


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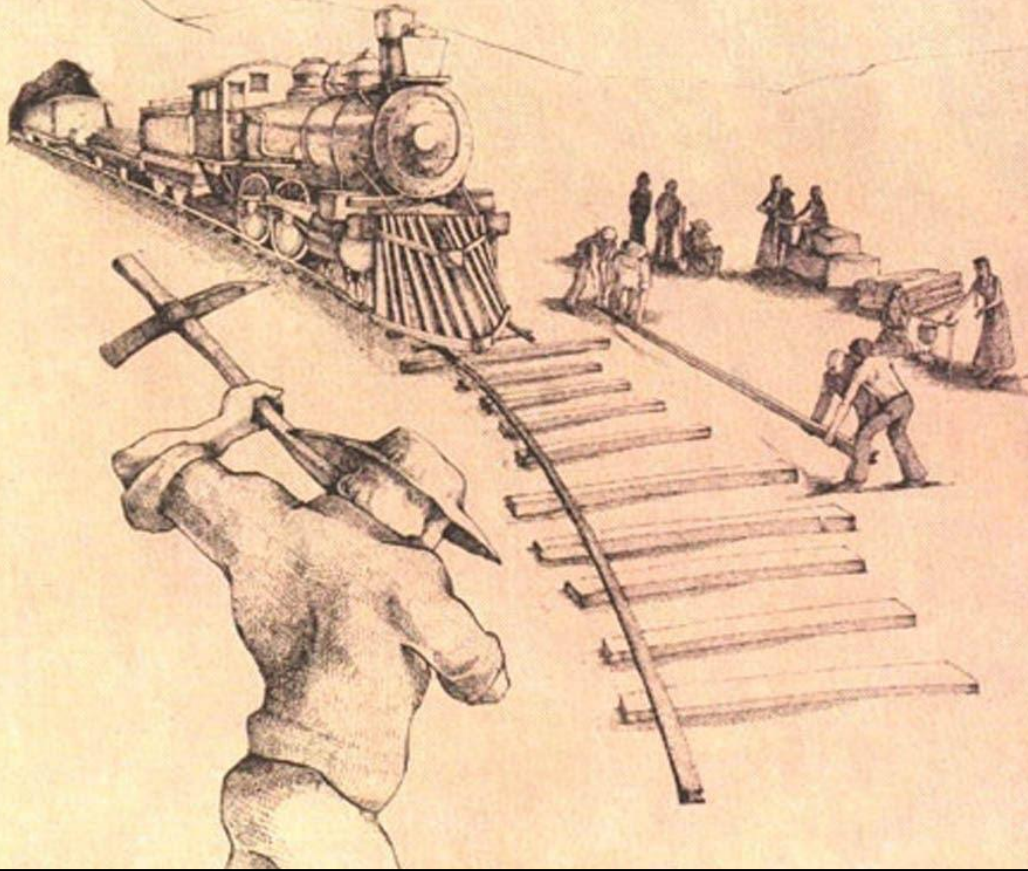
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Precious angel ---
Under the sun (Son)



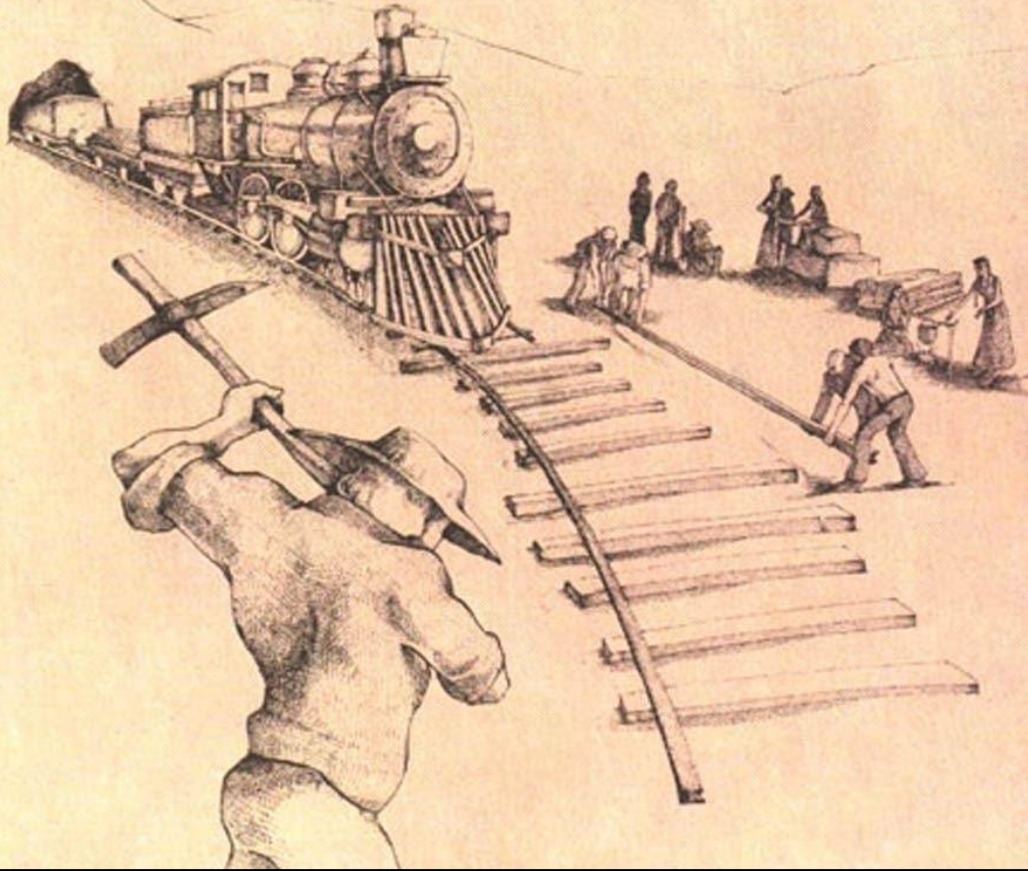
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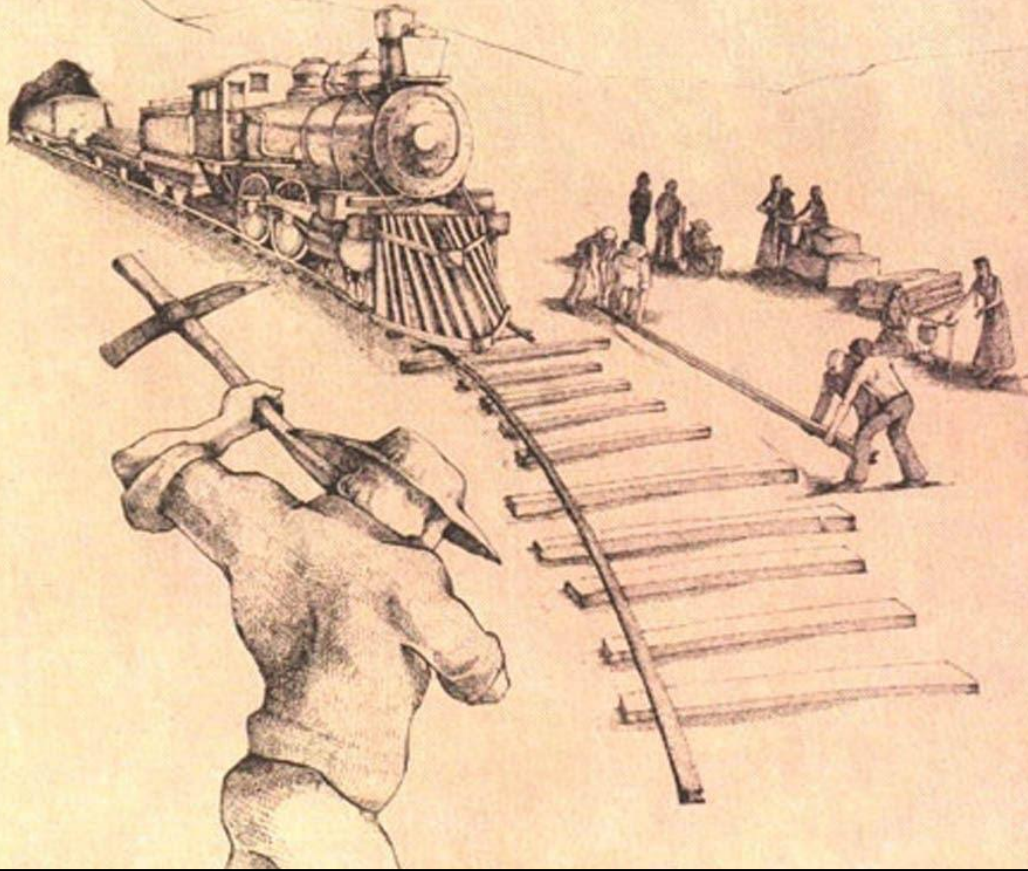
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To show me I was
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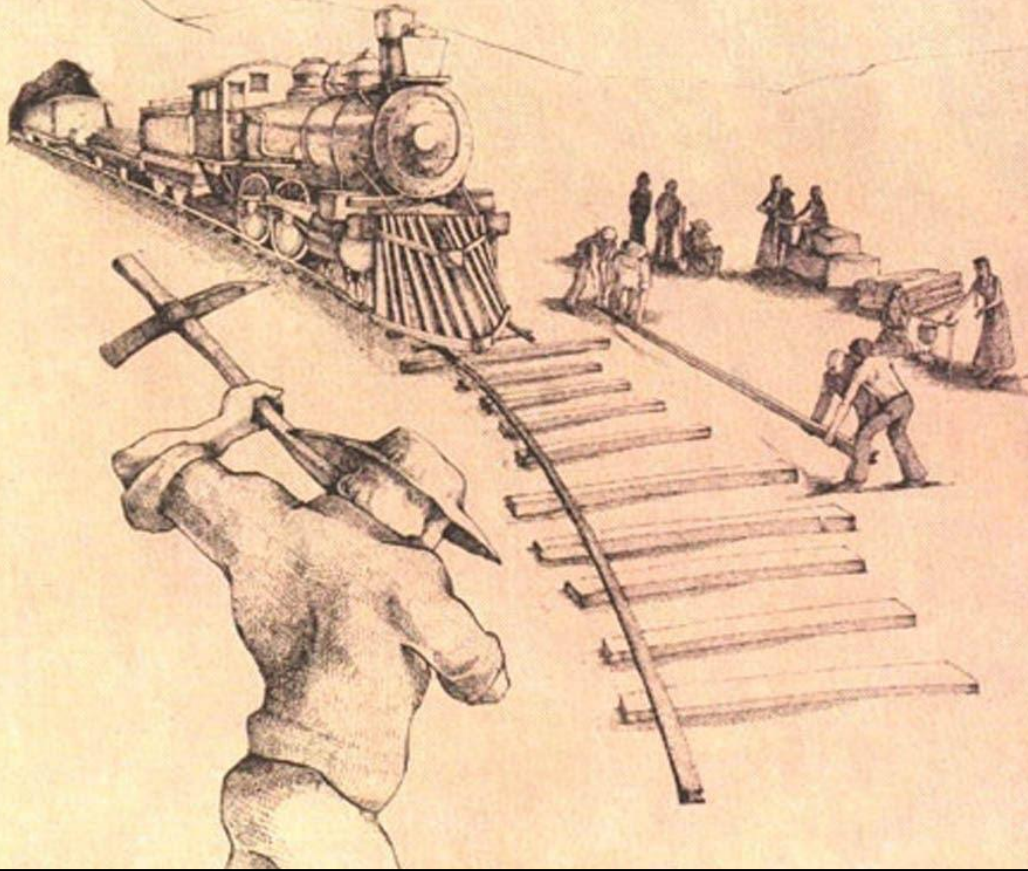
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To show me I was gone



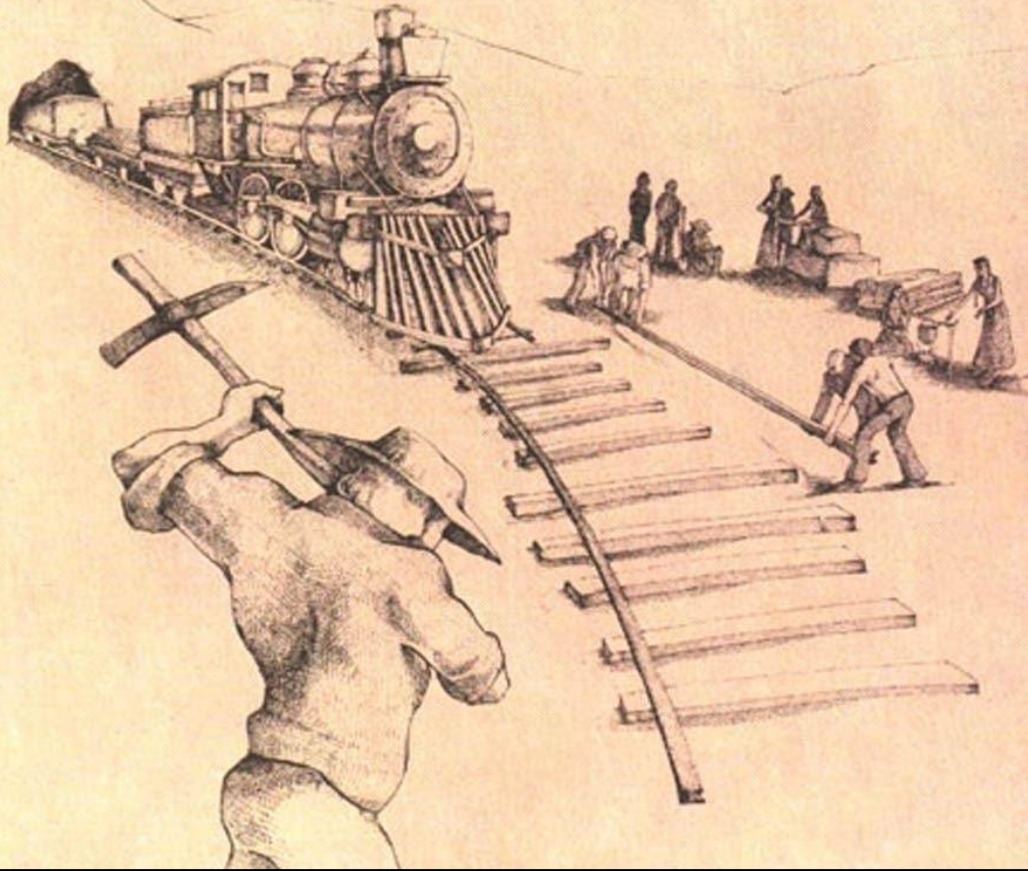
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How weak was the
foundation I was
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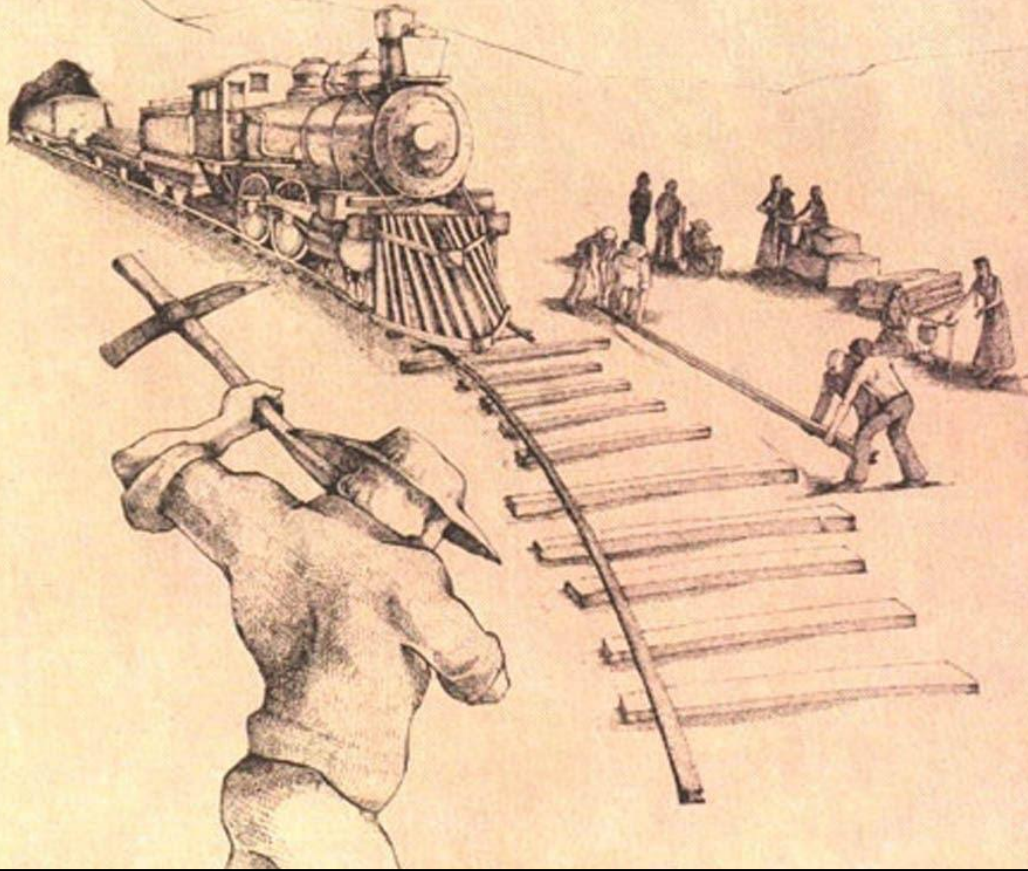
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Now there's spiritual
warfare and flesh and
blood breaking down



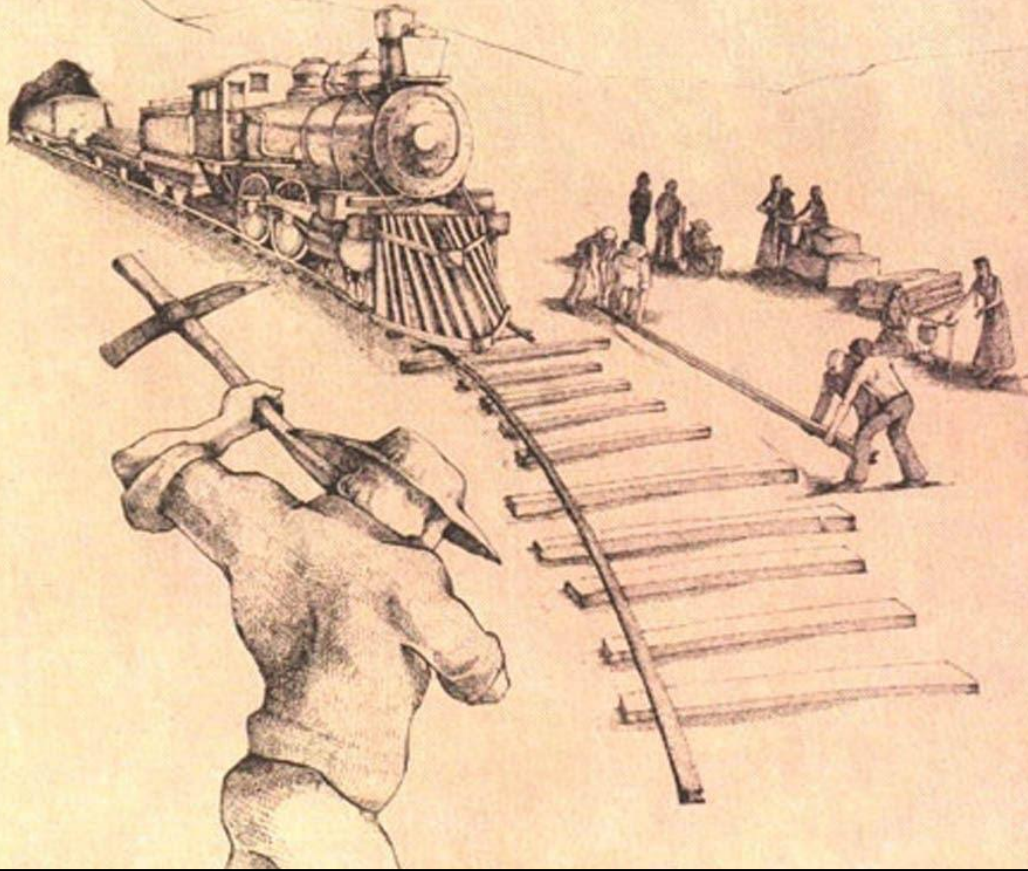
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Ya either got faith or ya
got unbelief and there
ain't neutral ground



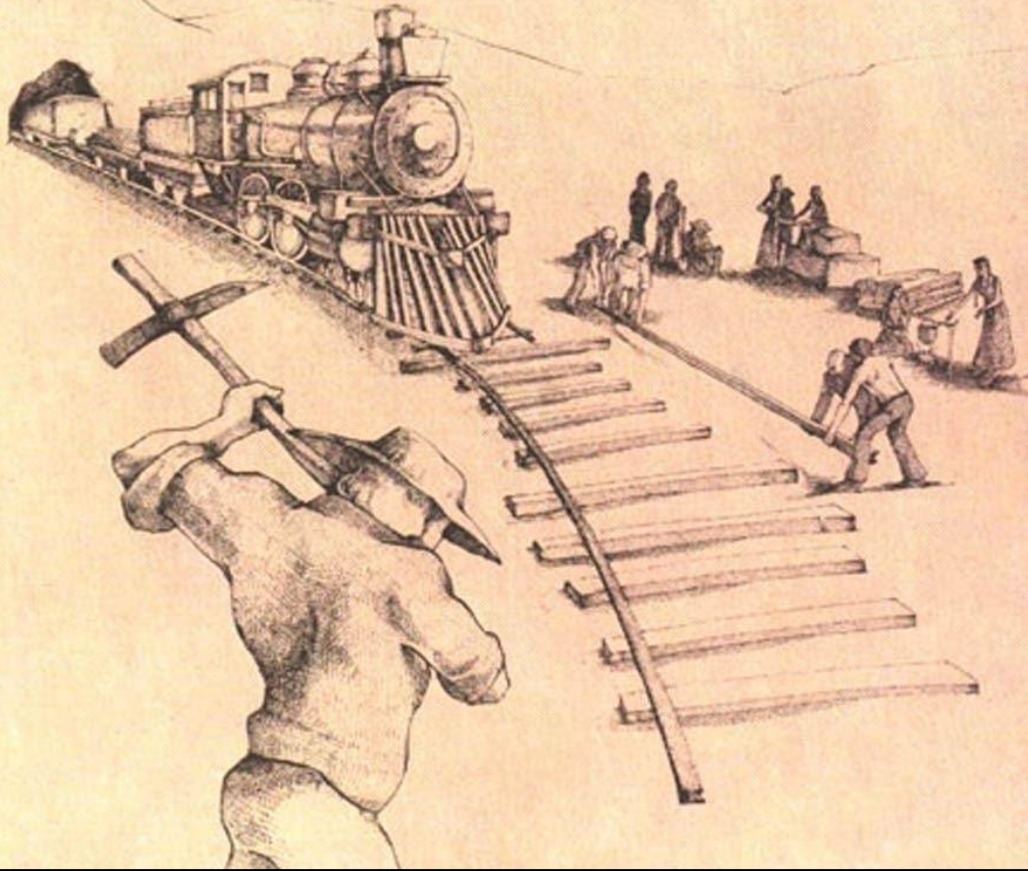
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The enemy is subtle, how
be it we are so deceived



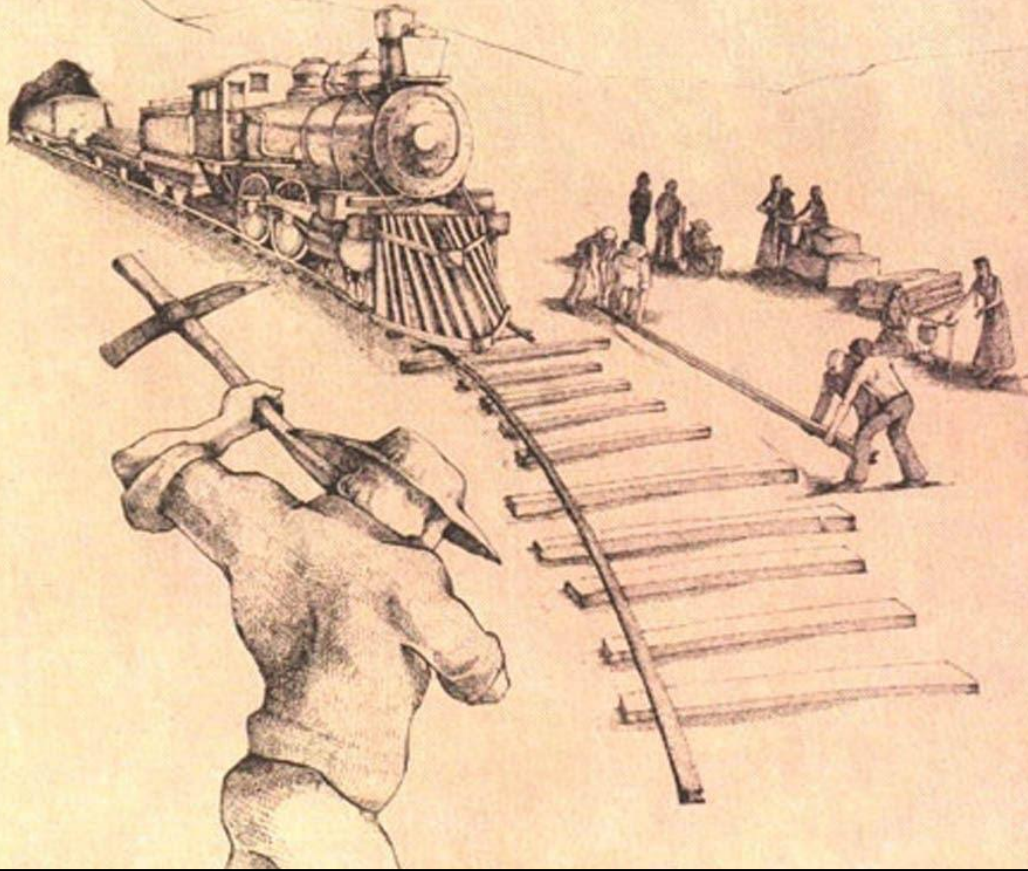
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When the truth's in our
hearts and we still don't
believe ?



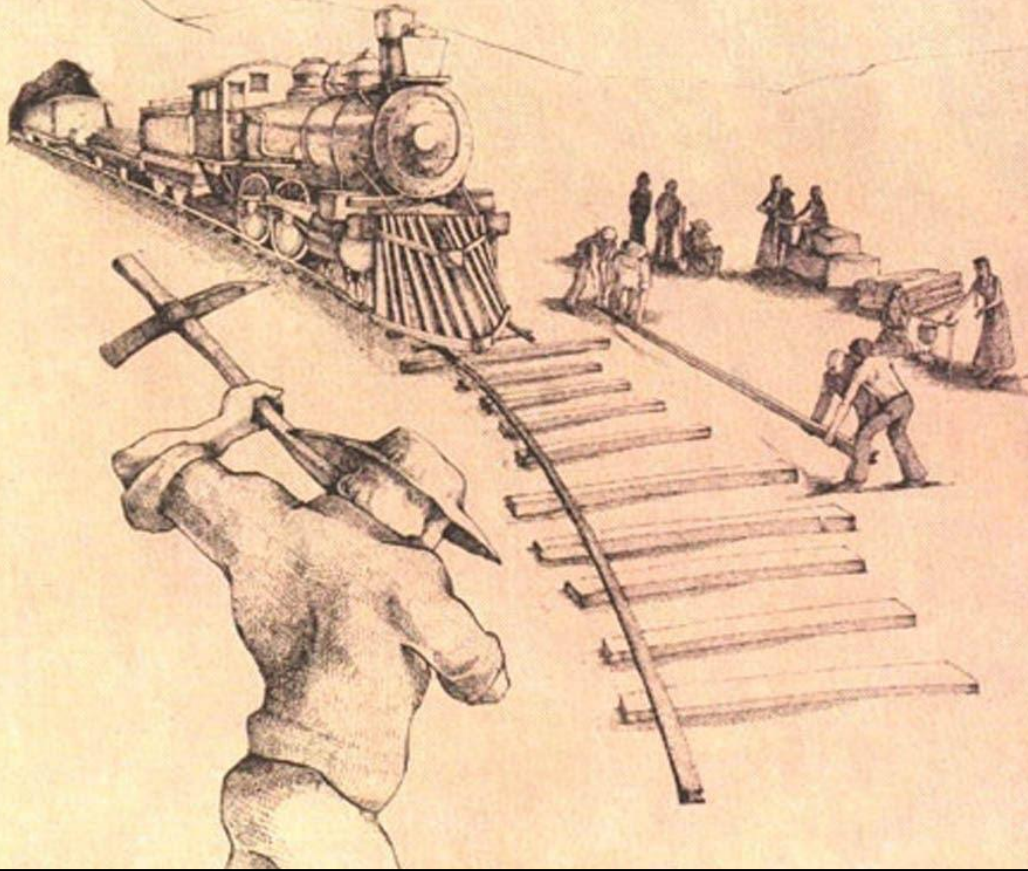
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Shine you light, shine
your light on me



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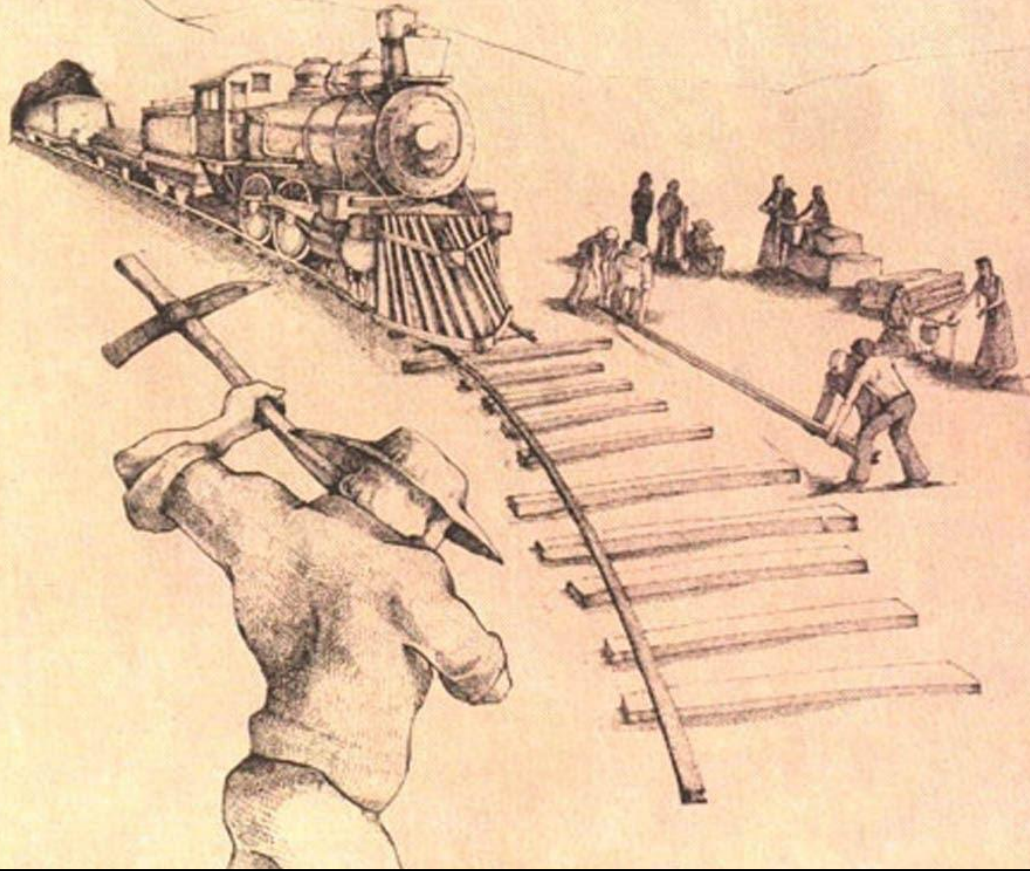


Ya know I just couldn't
make it by myself
I'm a little too blind to see



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**God gave me life –
I will live it for HIM!**

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