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Atonement



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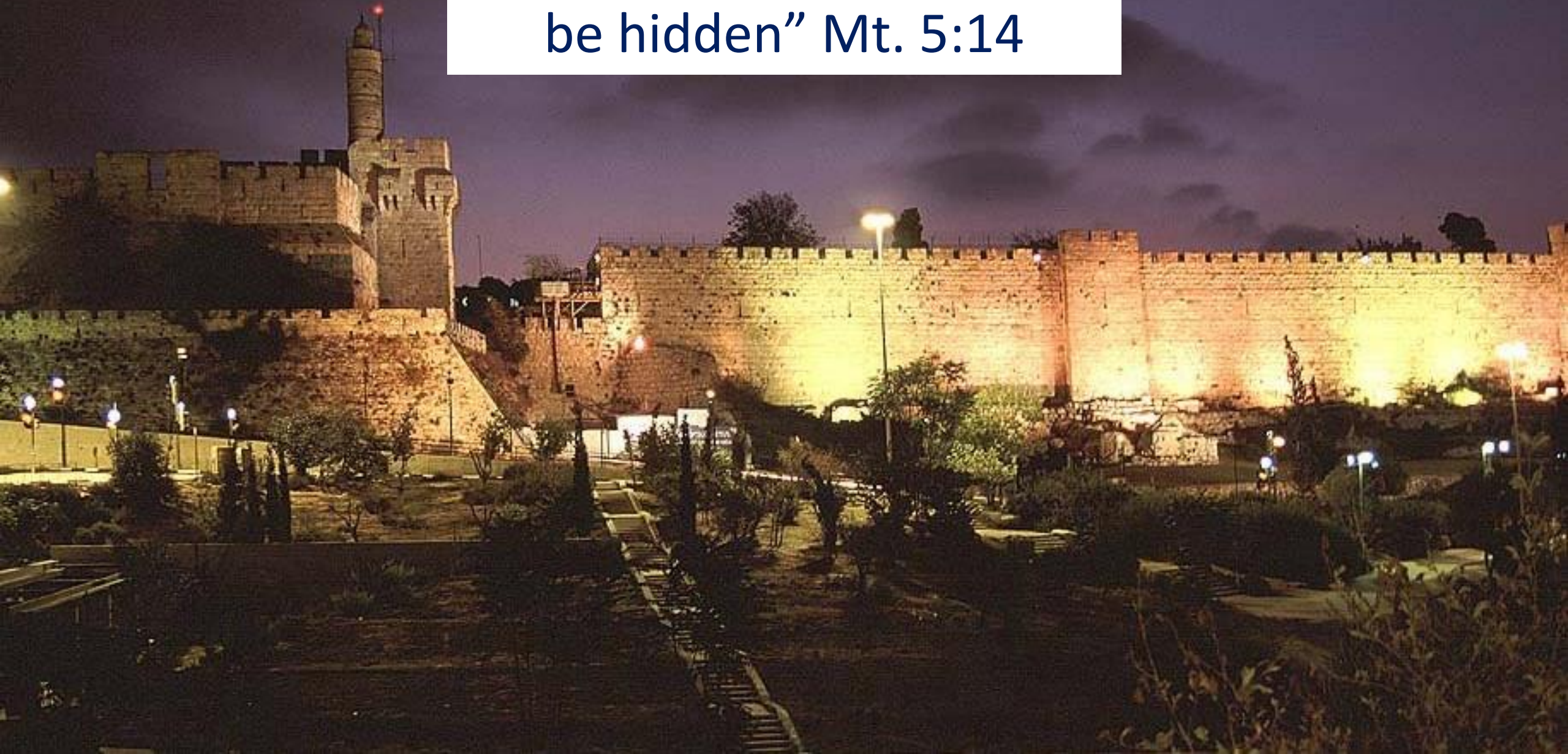








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Ex. 15:11 – “Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods? Who is like you, majestic in **holiness**, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?”



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Ex. 26:33-34 – “the veil shall separate for you the **Holy Place** from the **Most Holy**. You shall put the mercy seat on the ark of the testimony in the **Most Holy Place**.”



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Ex. 28:2 – “And you shall make **holy** garments for Aaron your brother, for glory and for beauty.”



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Lev. 19:1-2 “And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, “Speak to all...the people of Israel and say to them, **You shall be holy**, for I the LORD your God am **holy**.”



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Lev. 22:31-32 “So you shall keep my commandments and do them: I am the LORD. And you shall not profane my **holy** name, that I may be **sanctified** among the people of Israel. I am the LORD who **sanctifies** you”



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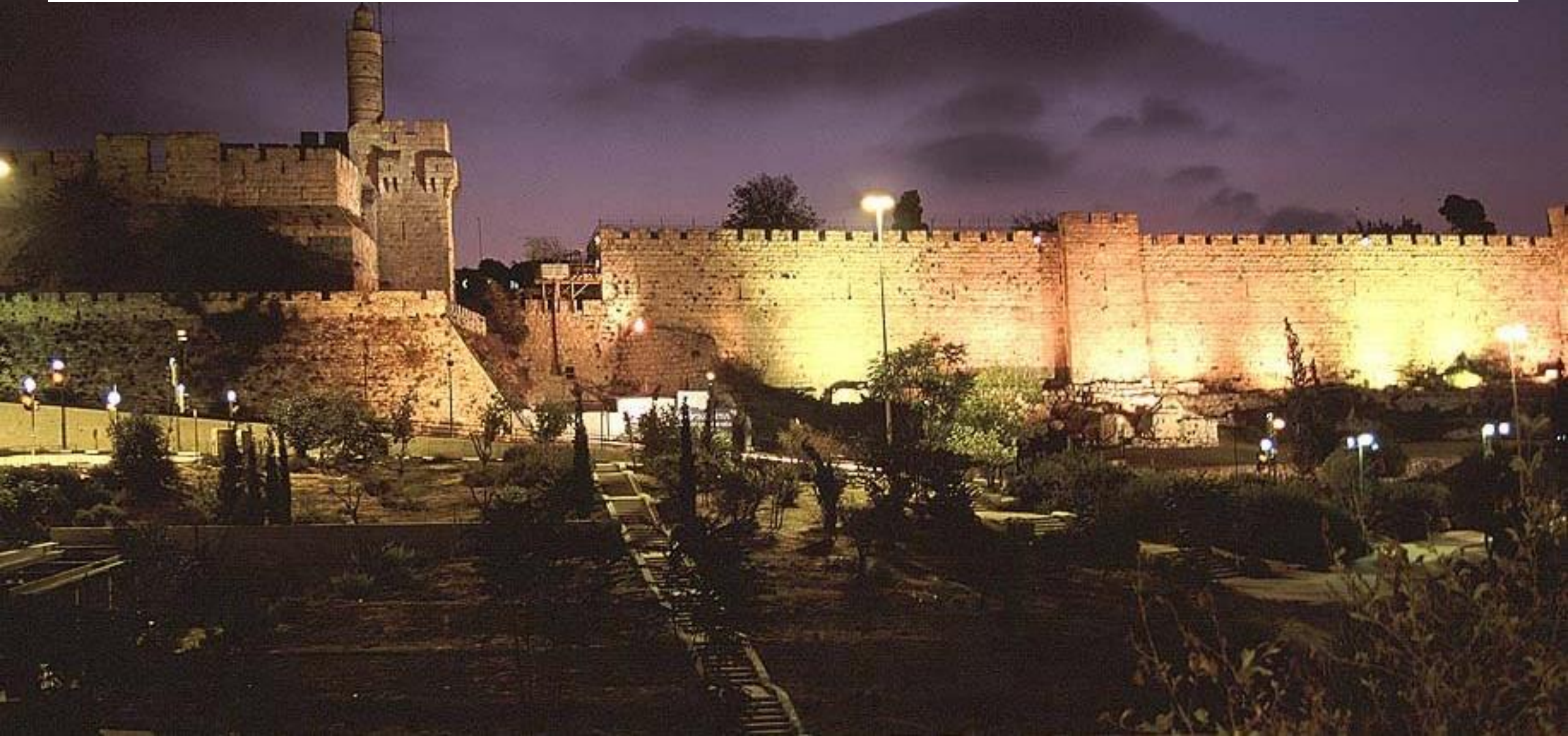


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Ezek. 20:14 – “But I acted for the sake of my name, that it should not be profaned in the sight of the nations, in whose sight I had brought them out.”



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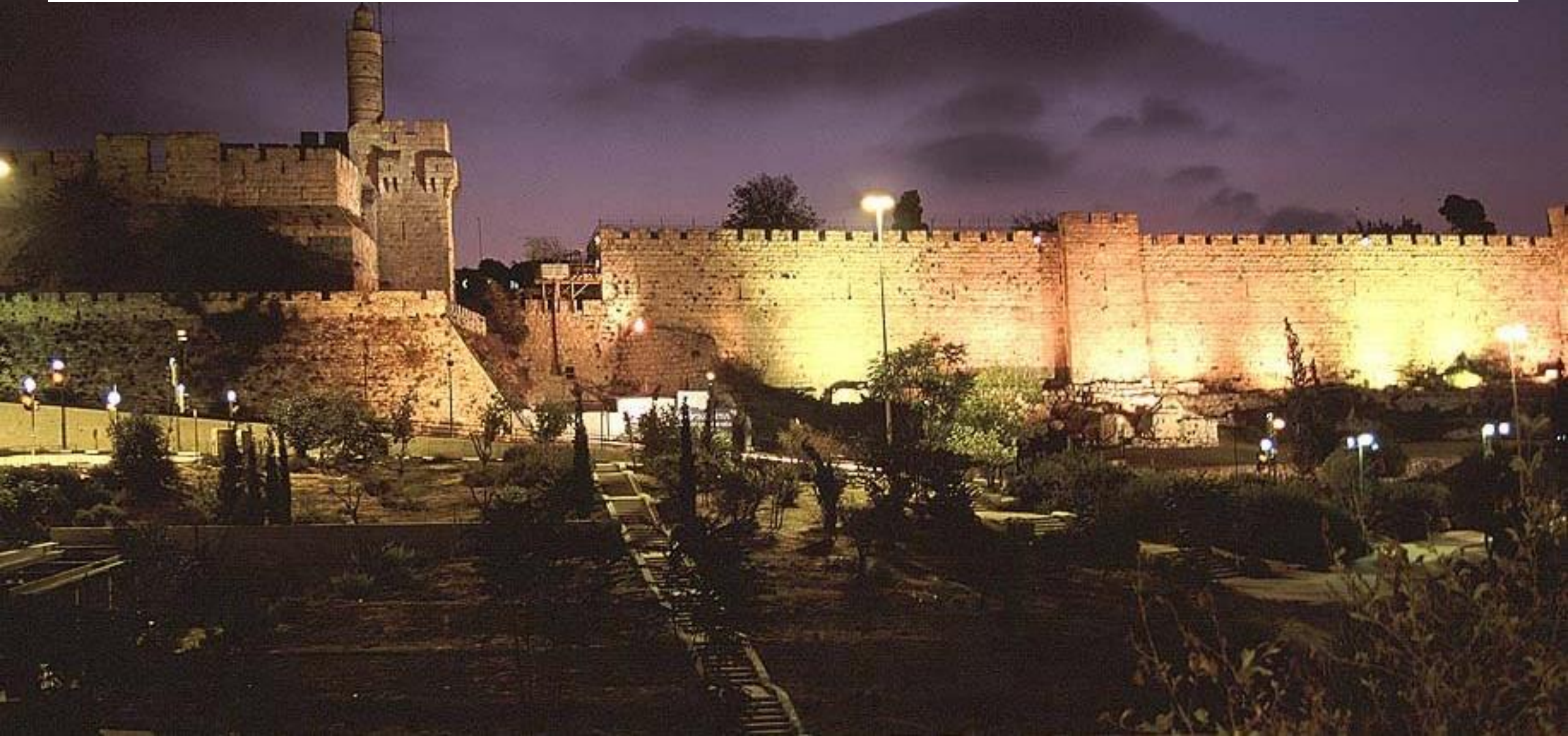
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1 Pet. 1:15-16 “but as he who called you is **holy**, you also be **holy** in all your conduct, since it is written, “You shall be **holy**, for I am **holy**”

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Isa. 57:15 - “For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is **Holy**: “I dwell in the high and **holy** place, **and also with him** who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite”

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In 13:35 “By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another”



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Col. 3:12-14 – “Put on then, as God’s chosen ones, **holy** and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another... forgiving each other...And above all these put on love”



**MORE!  
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Ex. 29:37 – “Seven days you shall make atonement for the altar and consecrate it, and the altar shall be **most holy**. Whatever touches the altar shall become **holy**.”







It is coming into  
contact with the  
cross of Christ that  
one is set apart and  
holy.”



A wide-angle photograph of a large church service. The pews are filled with a diverse crowd of people, seen from behind, looking towards the front. The stage is illuminated with blue light and features a large, dark cross on the wall. A person is visible on the stage, and there are musical instruments and equipment. A large screen on the right side of the stage displays a blue image. The text "Let's go to church!" is overlaid in a white box with blue lettering.

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