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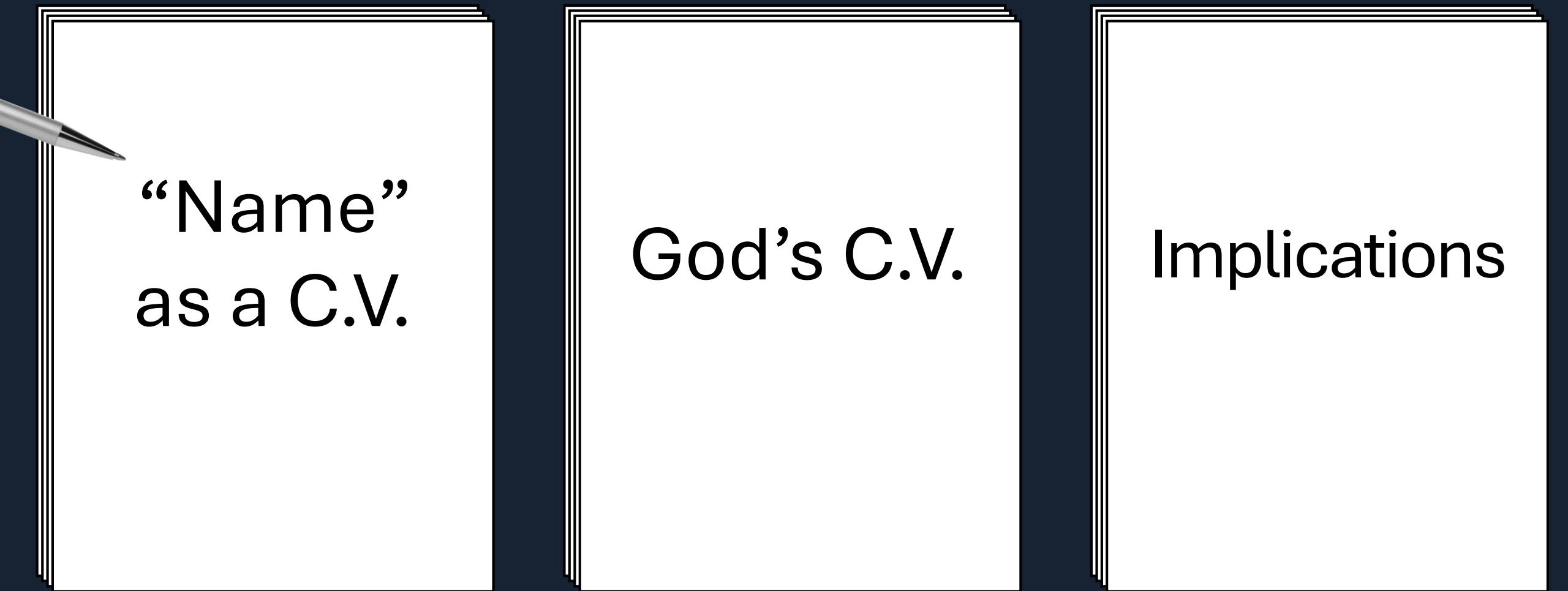
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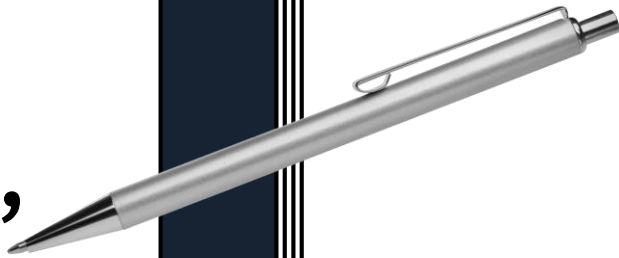
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The word itself

English: “Name”

- A label
- Identifies a person
- What we call someone
- A title

Hebrew - שֵׁם

- A track record
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Psalm 9:10

And those who know
your **name** put their trust
in you

Psalm 9:10(11)

וַיִּבְטְחוּ בְּךָ יְהוָה יִדְעֵי
שִׁמְךָ

Knowing God's "name" is not knowing
his title; it's knowing his history!

Biographies



Psalm 23:3

He leads me in paths of
righteousness
for his name's sake.

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יְנַתְּנֵי בְּמַעְגְּלֵי-צֶדֶק
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Shall we go into
deep waters?



Isaiah 48:9-11

For my **name's** sake I
defer my anger...

For my own sake, for my
own sake, I do it,
for how should my **name**
be profaned?

My glory I will not give to
another.

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לְמַעַן שְׁמִי אֶאְרִיד:

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Ezekiel 36:22-23

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Ezekiel 36:22-23

כֹּה אָמַר אֱלֹהֵי יְהוָה
לֹא לְמַעַנְכֶם אֲנִי
עוֹשֶׂה בַּיִת יִשְׂרָאֵל כִּי
אִם-לְנֶשְׁם-קֹדְשִׁי אֲשֶׁר
חִלַּלְתֶּם בַּגּוֹיִם
אֲשֶׁר-בָּאתֶם שָׁם:

Ezekiel 36:22-23

And I will vindicate the holiness of my great **name**, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the LORD

Ezekiel 36:22-23

וְקִדַּשְׁתִּי אֶת־שְׁמִי
הַגָּדוֹל הַמְחֻלָּל בְּגוֹיִם
אֲשֶׁר חִלְלִתֶם בְּתוֹכָם
וַיְדַעוּ הַגּוֹיִם כִּי־אֲנִי
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Ezekiel 20:9, 14, 22

But I acted for the sake of my **name**, that it should not be profaned in the sight of the nations...

Ezekiel 20:9, 14, 22

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God's resume
was at stake!

וְאֵת הַיַּהֲדוּת הַזֶּה אֶתְּתֶה וְרַב
זֶר אֶתְּ אֲזַכֵּי בְּחַזְקִי

Psalm 8:1

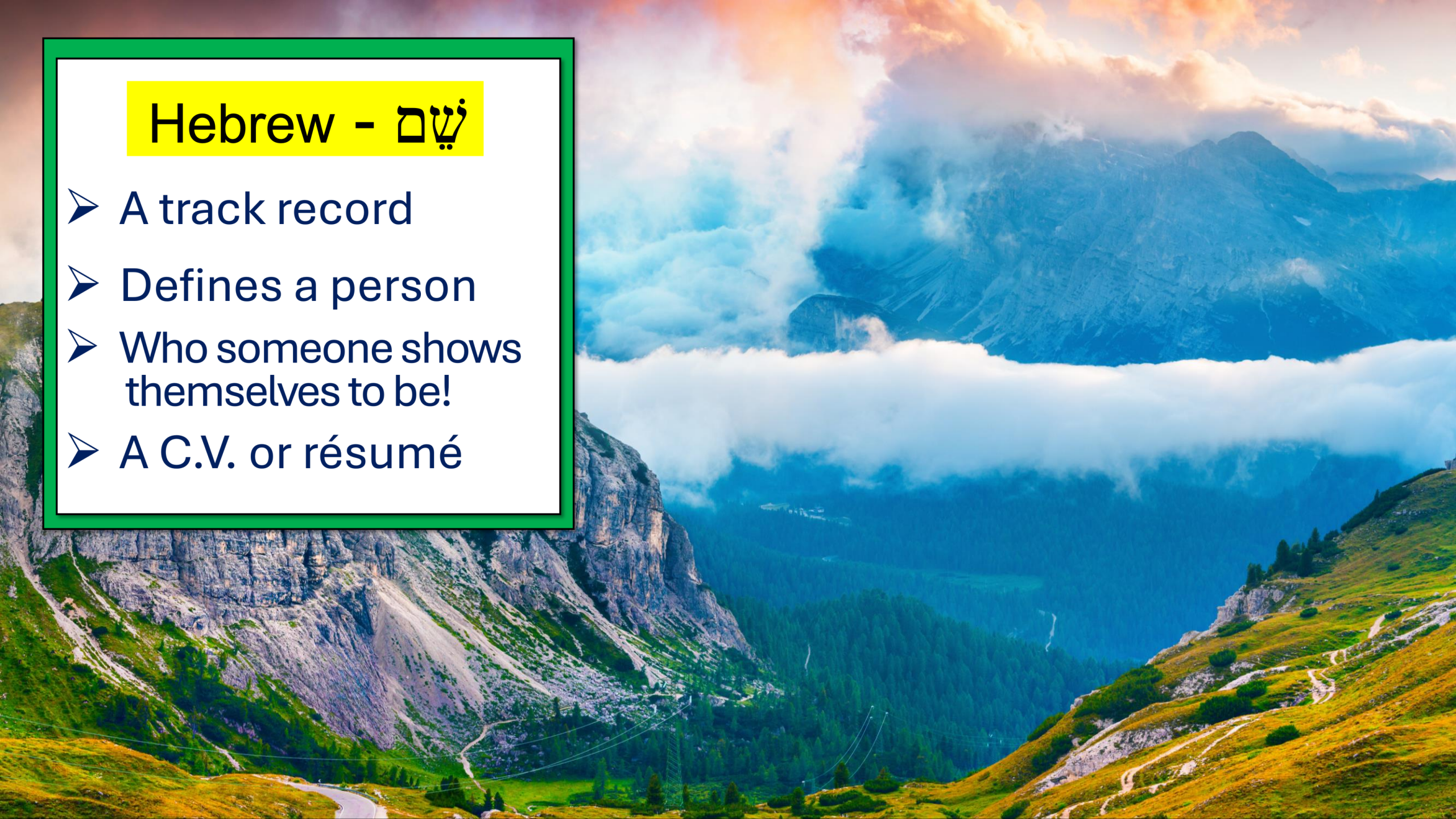
O LORD, our Lord,
how majestic is your
name in all the earth!

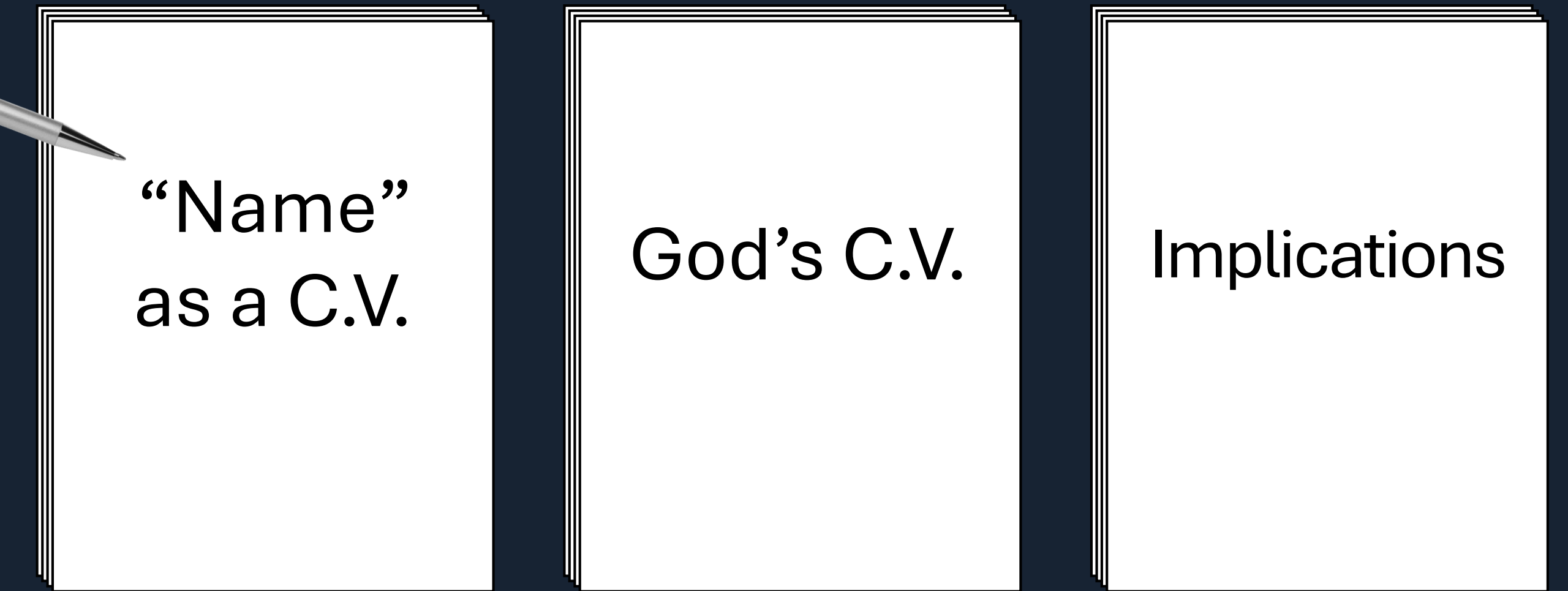
Psalm 8:1(2)

יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ
מָה-אֲדִיר שְׁמֶךָ
בְּכָל-הָאָרֶץ

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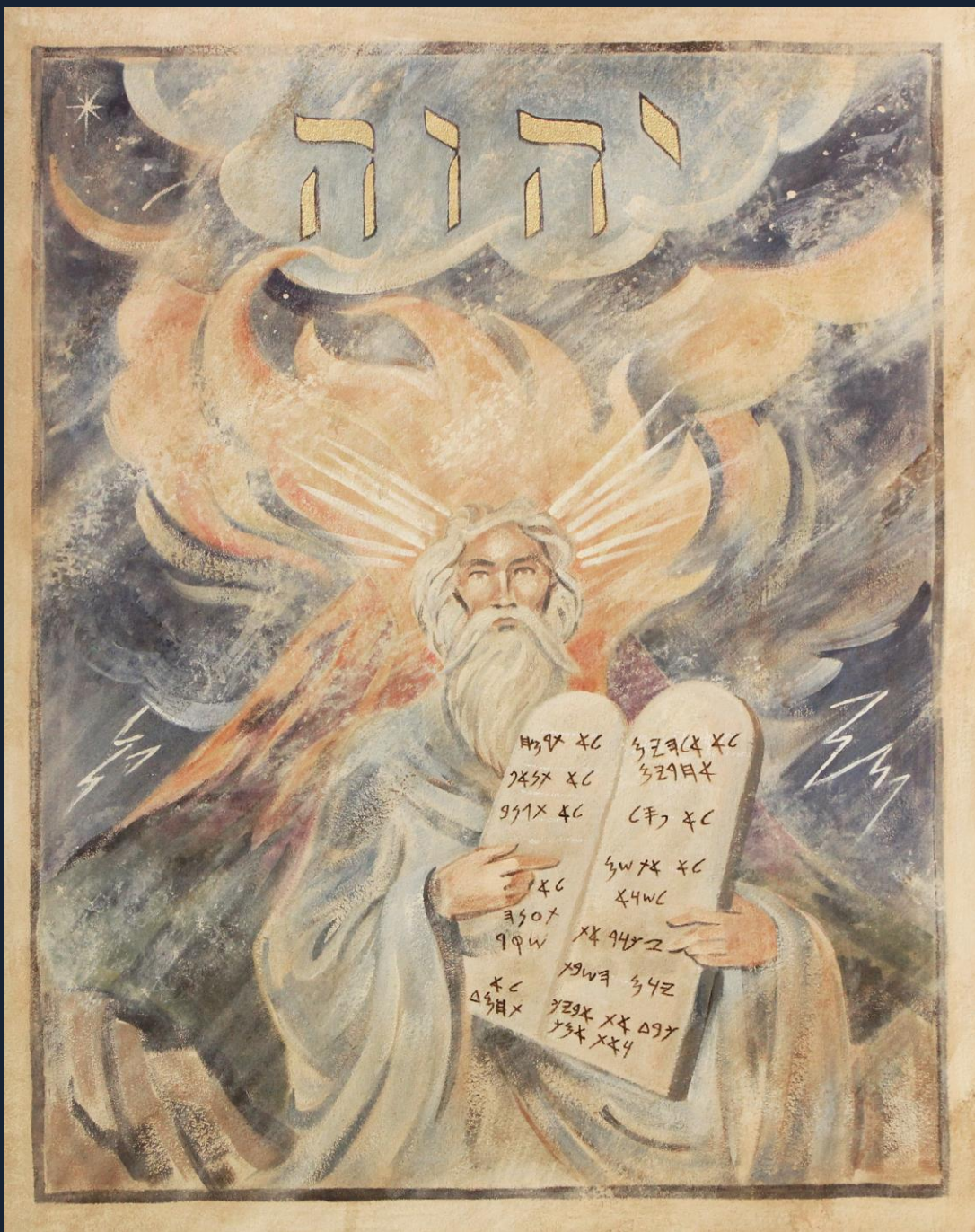
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Read where God
announces
(~writes) his CV!

Exodus 34:5-7

The LORD descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the **name** of the LORD.

Exodus 34:5-7

וַיֵּרֶד יְהוָה בְּעָנָן
וַיִּתְיַצֵּב עִמּוֹ **שְׁמוֹ**
וַיִּקְרָא בְּשֵׁם יְהוָה:

Exodus 34:5-7

The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, “The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness,

Exodus 34:5-7

וַיַּעֲבֹר יְהוָה עַל-פְּנֵי
וַיִּקְרָא יְהוָה יְהוָה אֵל
רַחוּם וְחַנּוּן אֶרֶץ
אֲפִים וְרַב-חֶסֶד
וְאֱמֶת

Exodus 34:5-7

keeping steadfast love
for thousands, forgiving
iniquity and
transgression and sin,
but who will by no
means clear the guilty...

Exodus 34:5-7

נִצֵּר חֶסֶד לְאַלְפִים
נִשָּׂא עֲוֹן וּפְשָׁע
וְחַטָּאת וְנִקָּה לֹא
יִנִּקָּה

God leads his CV with character entries, not power entries



LEADS

"Trying to you a drive lead men j chain. You you canno

INTELLIGEN

We must always k e know and wha ever get the two nfused over whi use many men t

PRESENCE

I want ever member of t staff to get t front at least every day. Yo will never kr what is goin unless you h the whistle c bullets."

CHARACTER

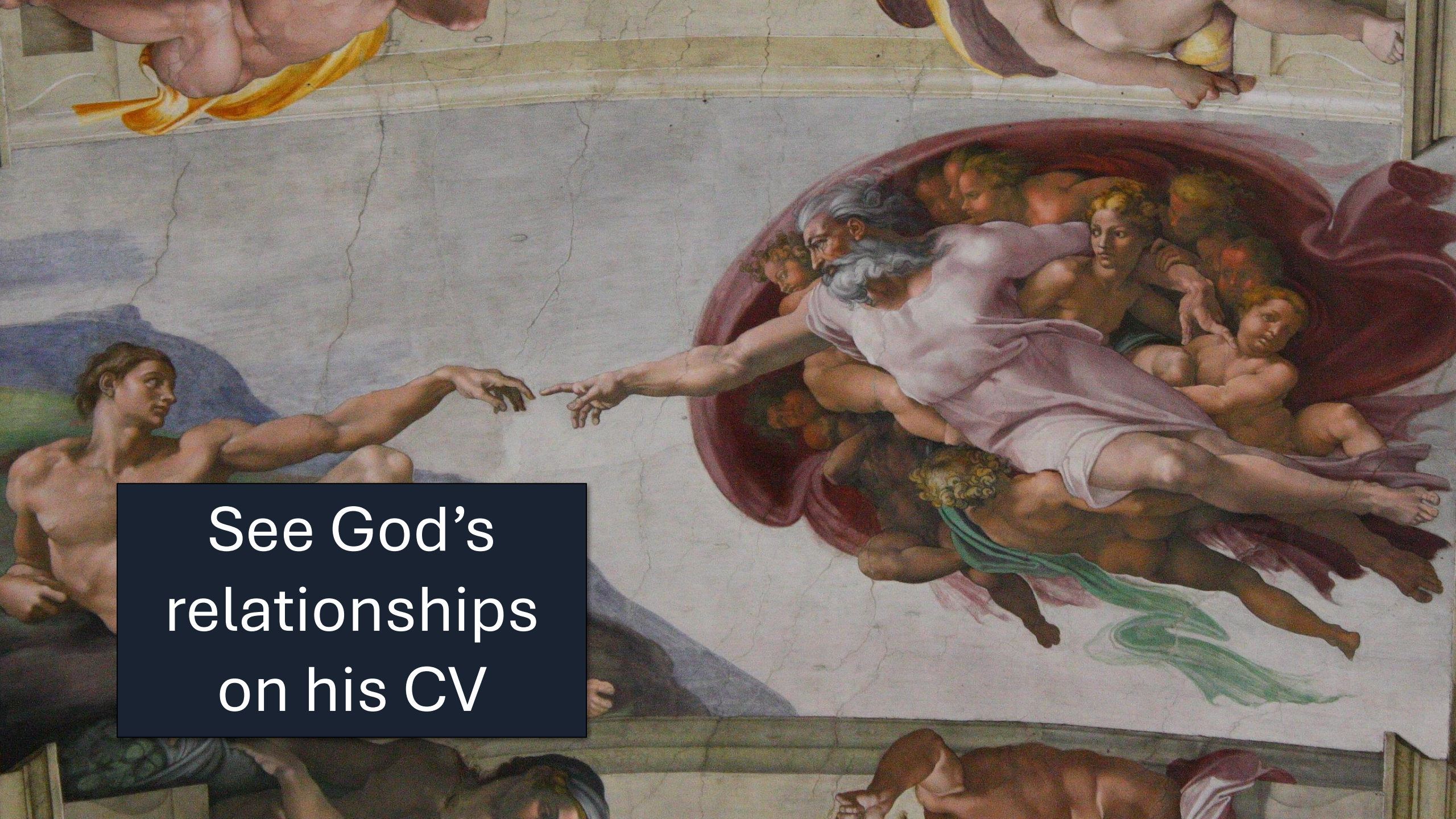
"Moral courage is the most valuable and usually the most absent characteristic in men."

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אַפַּיִם וְרַב-חֶסֶד
וְאֱמֶת



See God's
relationships
on his CV

Exodus 3:15

God also said to Moses,
“Say this to the people
of Israel: ‘The LORD, the
God of your fathers, the
God of Abraham, the
God of Isaac, and the
God of Jacob, has sent
me to you.’”

Exodus 3:15

וַיֹּאמֶר עוֹד אֱלֹהִים
אֶל-מֹשֶׁה כֹּה-תֹאמַר
אֶל-בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָה
אֱלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵיכֶם אֱלֹהֵי
אַבְרָהָם אֱלֹהֵי יִצְחָק
וְאֱלֹהֵי יַעֲקֹב שְׁלַחַנִי
אֵלֵיכֶם

Exodus 3:15

This is my **name** forever,
and thus I am to be
remembered throughout
all generations.

Exodus 3:15

וְזֶה-שְׁמִי לְעֹלָם וְזֶה
זְכוֹרִי לְדֹר דָּר:

GREATEST
OF
ALL
TIME

Philippians 2:9-11

Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the **name** that is above every **name**,

Philippians 2:9-11

διὸ καὶ ὁ θεὸς αὐτὸν ὑπερύψωσεν καὶ ἐχαρίσατο αὐτῷ τὸ **ὄνομα** τὸ ὑπὲρ πᾶν **ὄνομα**,

Philippians 2:9-11

so that at the **name** of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Philippians 2:9-11

ἵνα ἐν τῷ **ὀνόματι** Ἰησοῦ
πάν γόνυ κάμψη
ἐπουρανίων καὶ ἐπιγείων
καὶ καταχθονίων καὶ
πάντα γλῶσσα
ἐξομολογήσεται ὅτι
κύριος Ἰησοῦς Χριστὸς
εἰς δόξαν θεοῦ πατρὸς.

The CV built in
2 movements!

Jesus - the form of God

Doesn't exploit

Empties himself

Takes servant form

Becomes human

Humbles himself

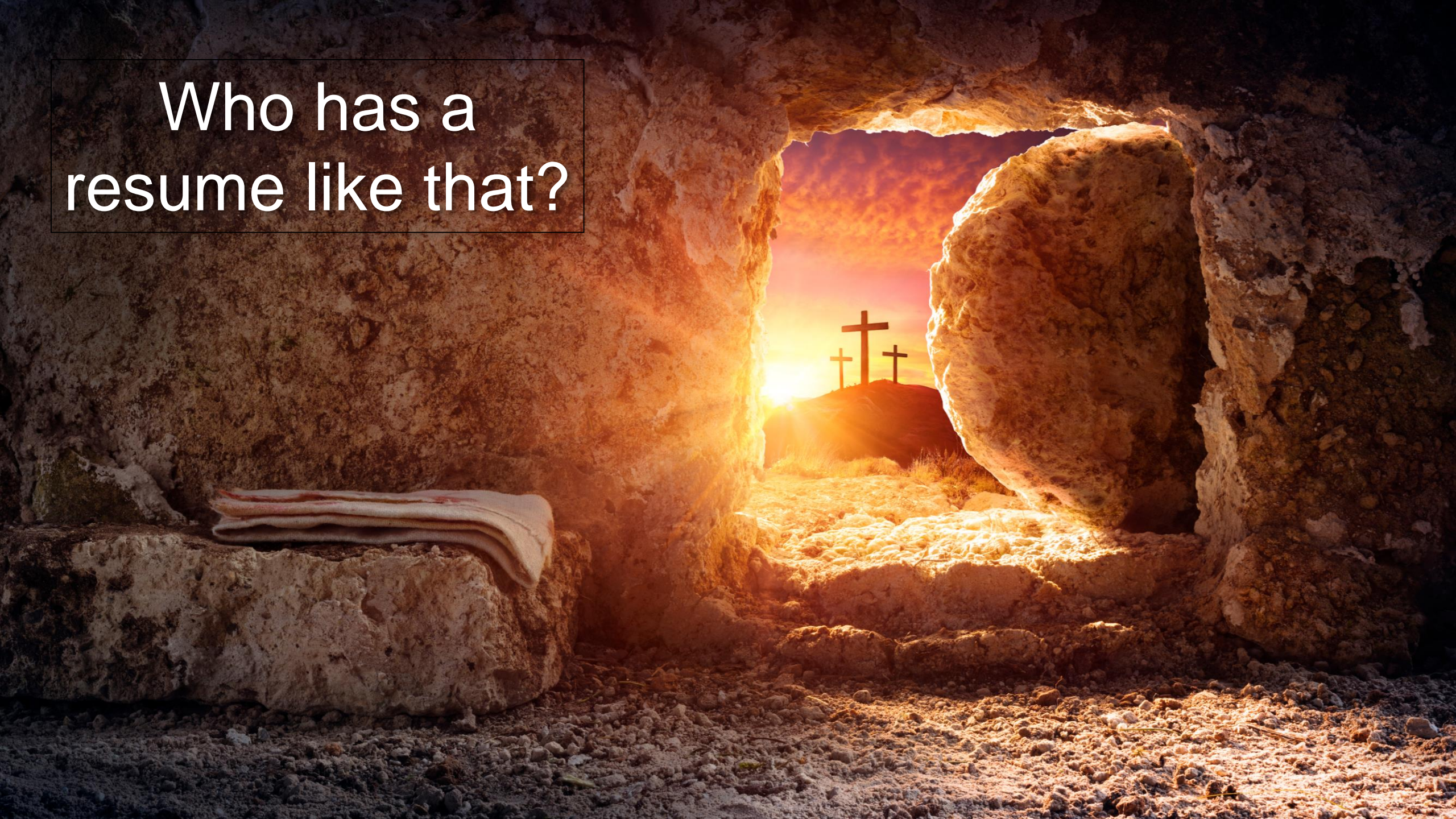
To the point
of death

At the name of
Jesus every
knee will bow

God bestows the
name above all
names

God highly
exalts him

Who has a
resume like that?




John 17:6

I have manifested your **name** to the people whom you gave me out of the world.

John 17:6

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Implication 1:

When you are in crisis you do not need a generic concept of God.

You need a specific entry from his C.V.!

When you're sick
you need God
who heals






When you're
desperate
financially you
need God who
provides

When fears
mount you need
the God of peace



A person wearing a blue denim shirt is lying face down on a light-colored wooden desk. Their head is buried in a silver laptop, and their hands are clasped over the top of the device. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be a bookshelf with various colored books. A semi-transparent dark grey box is overlaid on the right side of the image, containing white text.

In times of failure,
you need the God
of mercy!

Implication 2:

Our accomplishments belong
on HIS C.V.!

1 Cor. 15:10

But by the grace of God I am what I am....I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.

1 Cor. 15:10

χάριτι δὲ θεοῦ εἰμι ὃ εἰμι
... ἀλλὰ περισσότερο
αὐτῶν πάντων ἐκοπίασα,
οὐκ ἐγὼ δὲ ἀλλ' ἢ χάρις
τοῦ θεοῦ [ἢ] σὺν ἐμοί.

Deut. 8:17-18

Beware lest you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gotten me this success.' You shall remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get success.

Deut. 8:17-18


וְאָמַרְתָּ בְּלִבְּךָ כַּחַי
וְעַצְמִי יָדִי עָשָׂה לִי
אֶת-הַחֵיל הַזֶּה:
וְזָכַרְתָּ אֶת-יְהוָה
אֱלֹהֶיךָ כִּי הוּא הַנֹּתֵן
לְךָ כֹּחַ לַעֲשׂוֹת חֵיל

My CV

- What I accomplished
- My Strength
- My Wisdom
- My faithfulness

God's C.V.

- What God did through me
- His Strength in my weakness
- His Wisdom given me
- His faithfulness despite my failures

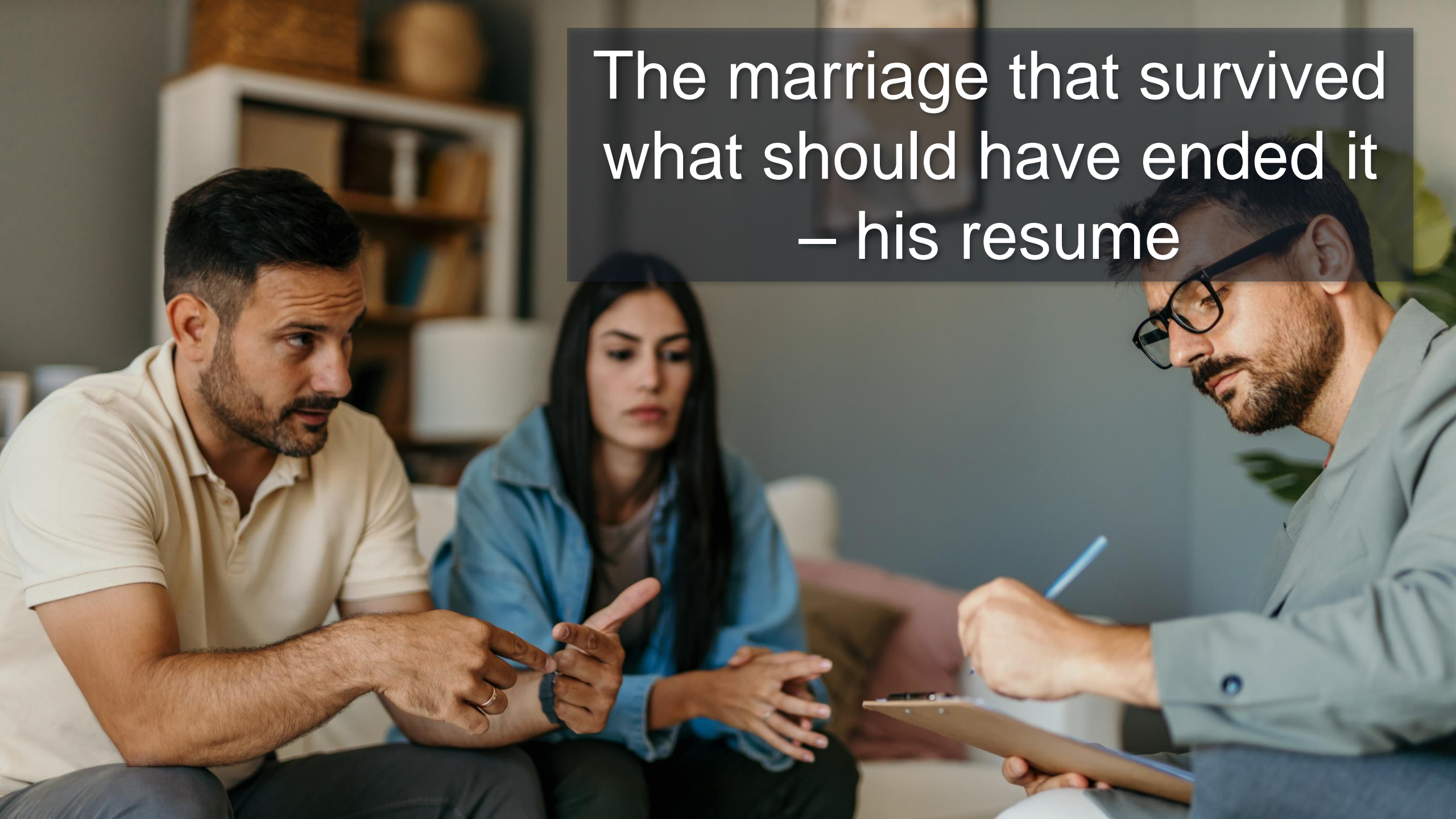
A group of people's hands are raised in a celebratory gesture, giving thumbs up. The hands are of various skin tones and are wearing different colored sleeves (tan, beige, maroon). The background is a soft, out-of-focus blue. A dark grey rectangular box is overlaid on the right side of the image, containing white text.

That job where
you succeeded –
his resume

The child
you raised –
his resume



The marriage that survived
what should have ended it
– his resume





The moment you stayed
when everything in you
wanted to quit – his resume

Isaiah 42:8

I am the LORD; that is my
name; my glory I give to
no other

Isaiah 42:8

אֲנִי יְהוָה הוּא שְׁמִי
וְכְבוֹדִי לְאַחַר
לֹא-אֶתֶן

Implication 3:

God rewrites resumes
at the point of brokenness!

Genesis 32:28

Then he said, “Your
name shall no longer be
called Jacob, but Israel

Genesis 32:28(29)

וַיֹּאמֶר לֹא יִעֲקֹב
יֵאמָר עוֹד **שְׁמִי** כִּי
אֶם-יִשְׂרָאֵל



Points for Home

Exodus 20:7

You shall not take the **name** of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his **name** in vain.

Exodus 20:7

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COMMAND:

Don't carry or take God's CV around
as if it's empty or worthless

Don't deplete his resume by how you live!





Don't doubt his
ability to live up to
his resume!

Psalm 78:17-19

Yet they sinned still
more against him,
rebellling against the
Most High in the desert.
… They spoke against
God, saying, “Can God
spread a table in the
wilderness?”

Psalm 78:17-19

וַיֹּסִיפוּ עוֹד לַחֲטֹא-לוֹ
לְמַרְוֹת עֲלִיּוֹן בַּצִּיָּה:
וַיִּדְבְּרוּ בֵּאלֹהִים
אָמְרוּ הֲיִוְכַל אֵל
לְעַרְךָ שִׁלְחֹן בַּמִּדְבָּר:

Don't claim his name
and appropriate
from his resume!

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HAMBURGERS

TOWN-TOPIC
BREAKFAST

How does this fill in the Lord's Prayer:
"Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be thy name"?

Devotional Studies in the Psalms

