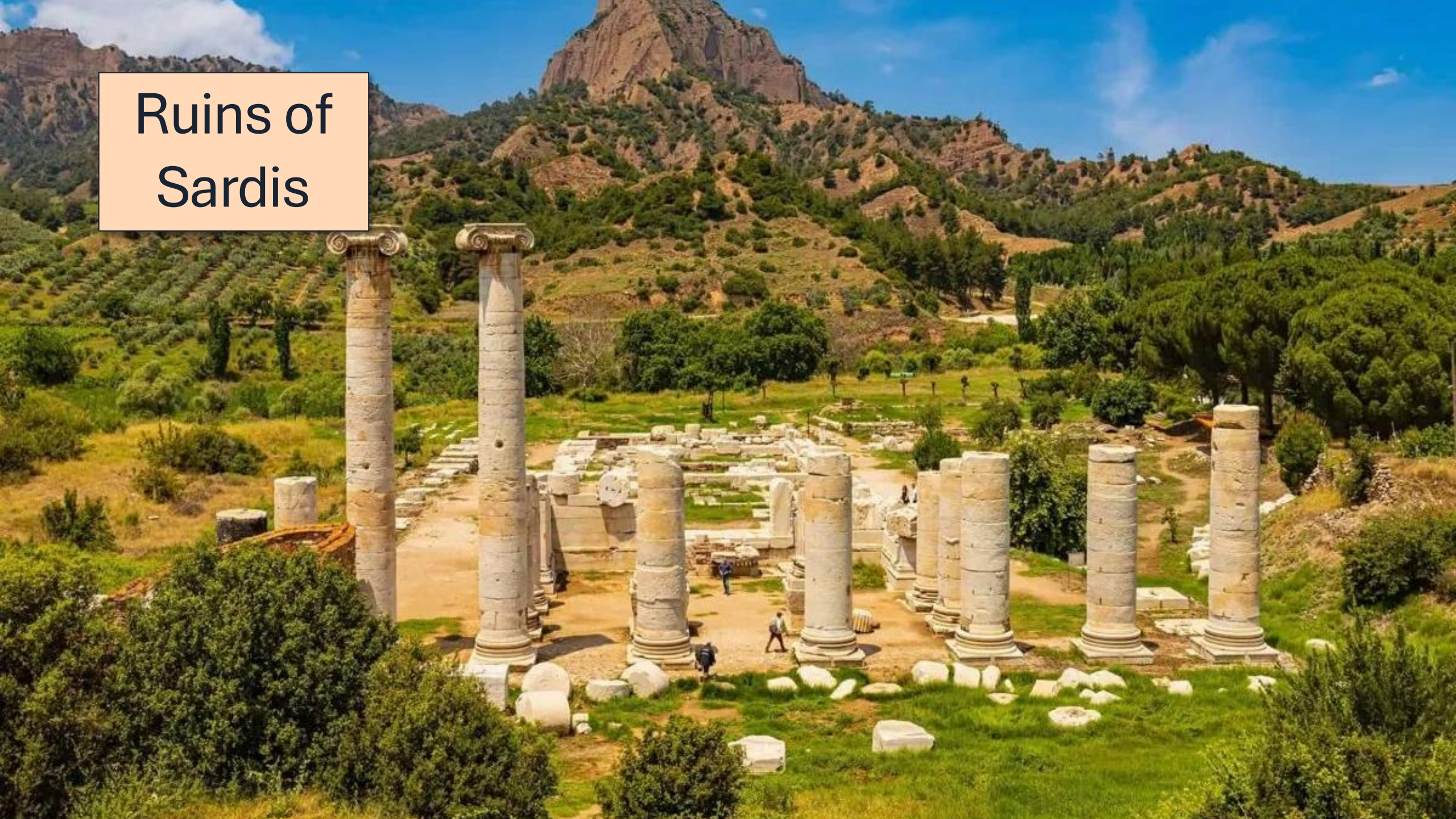


Romans



Ruins of Sardis



A.I. Sardis ~550 BC



550 BC
Consumer test
of the gods





Black Sea

Azu Mean



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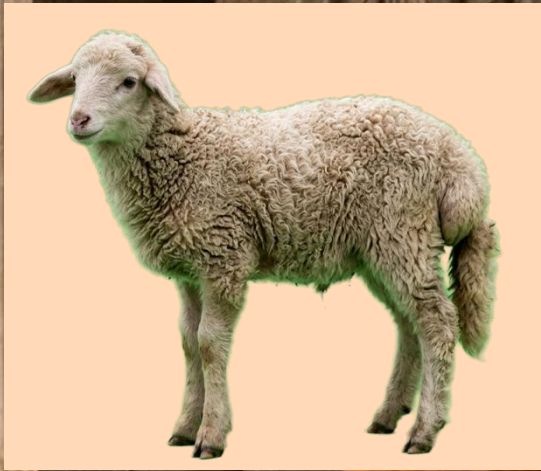
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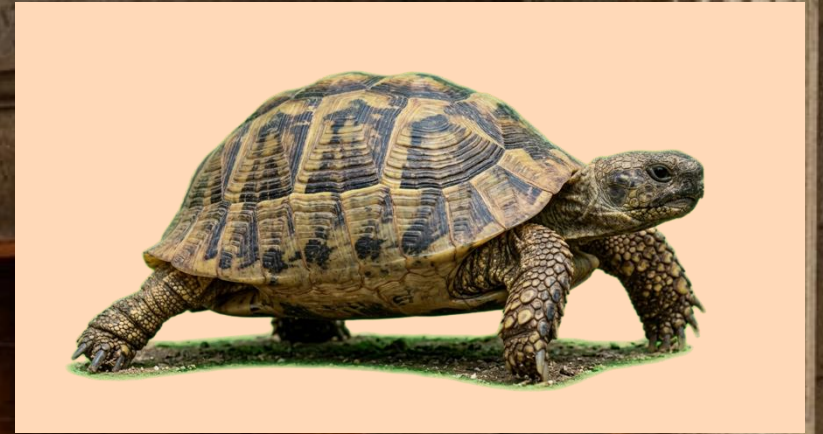
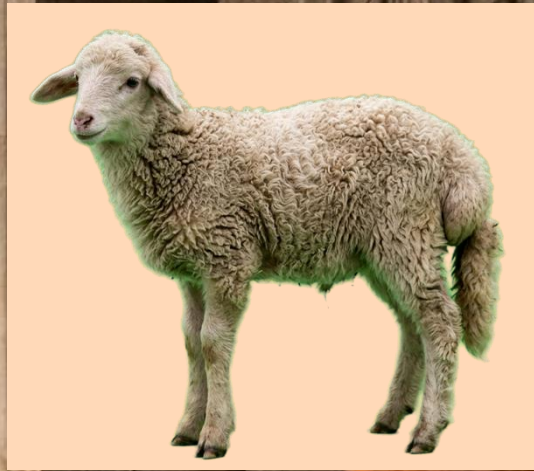
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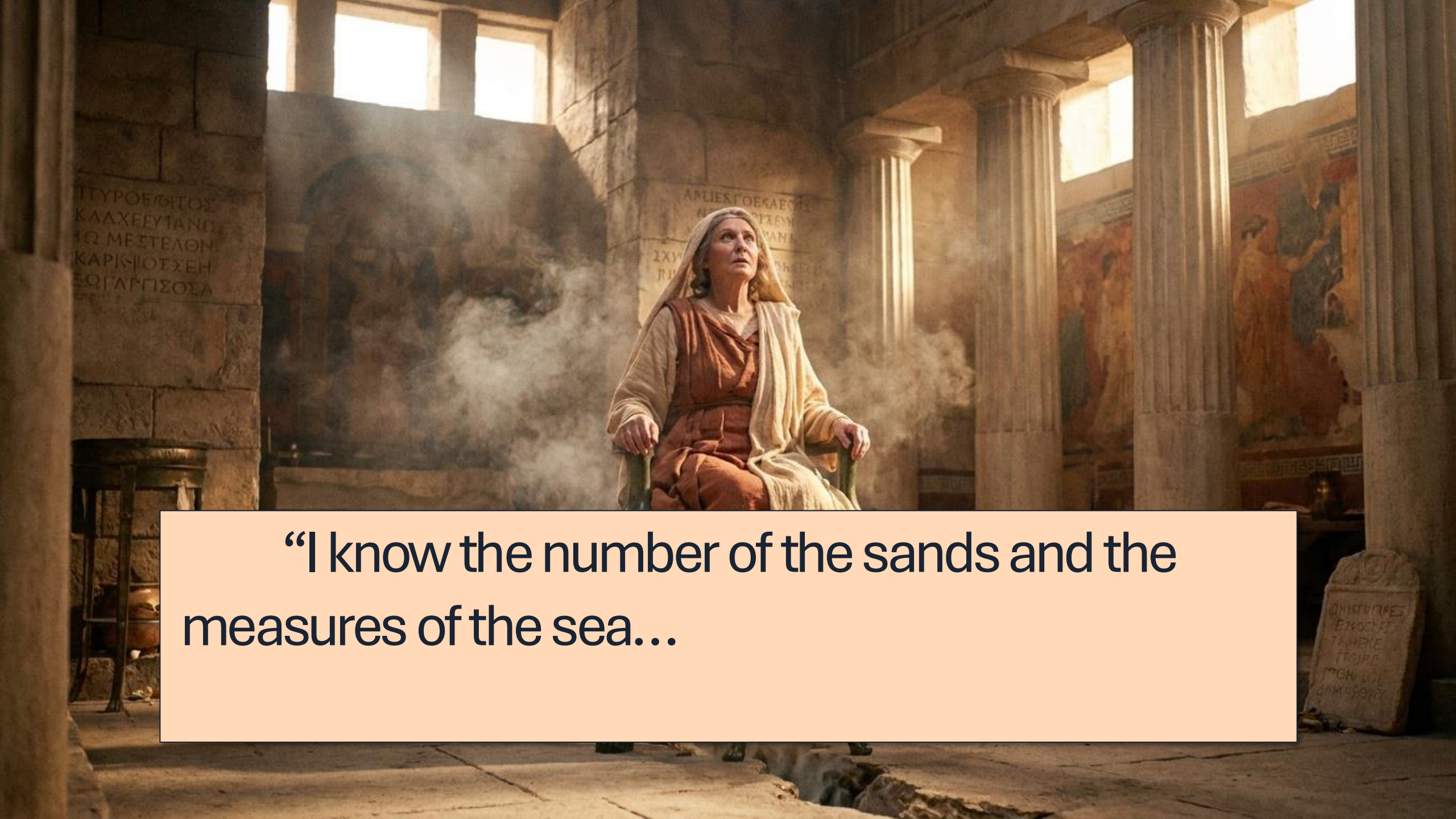




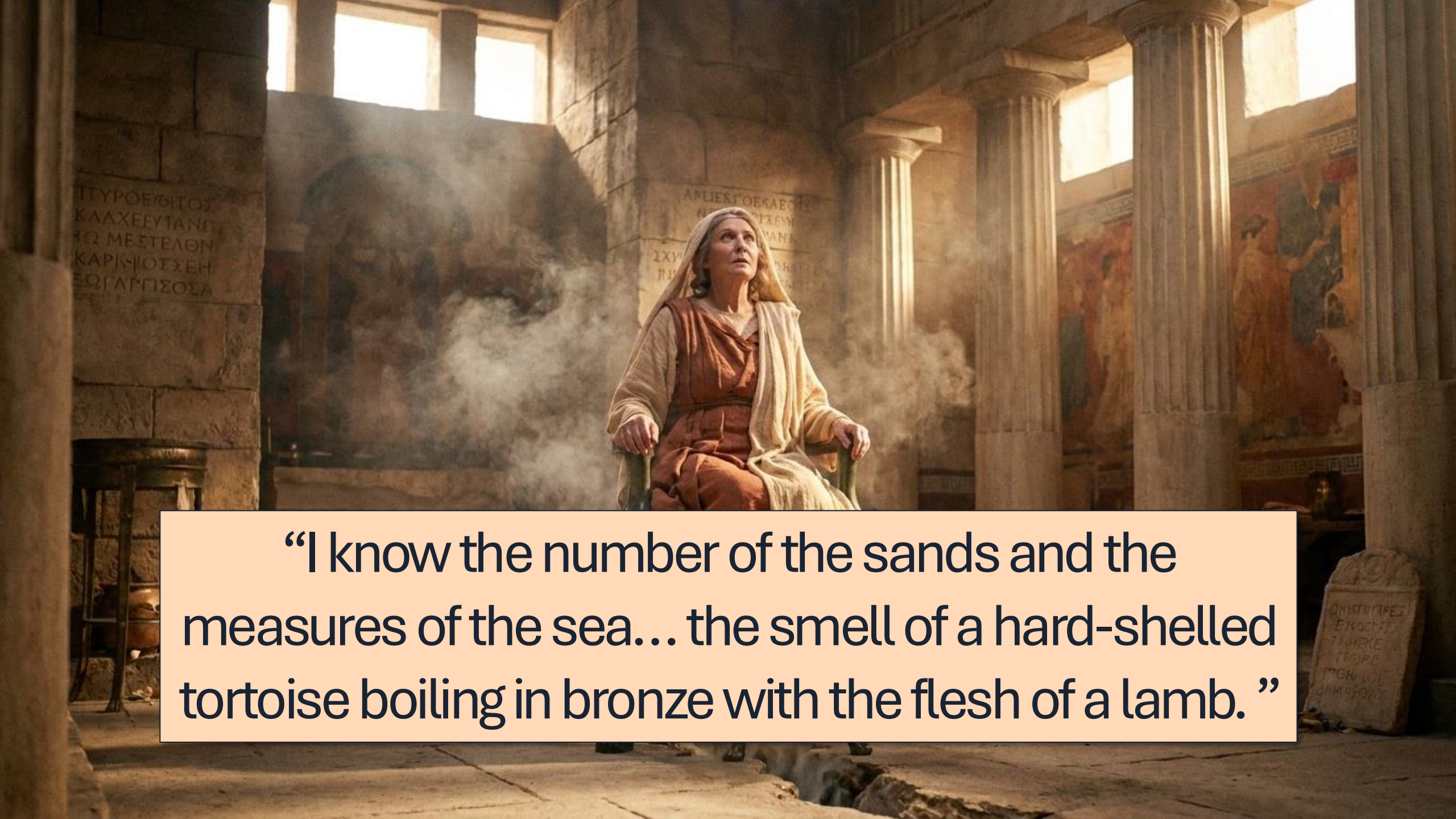
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“I know the number of the sands and the measures of the sea...”



“I know the number of the sands and the measures of the sea... the smell of a hard-shelled tortoise boiling in bronze with the flesh of a lamb. ”



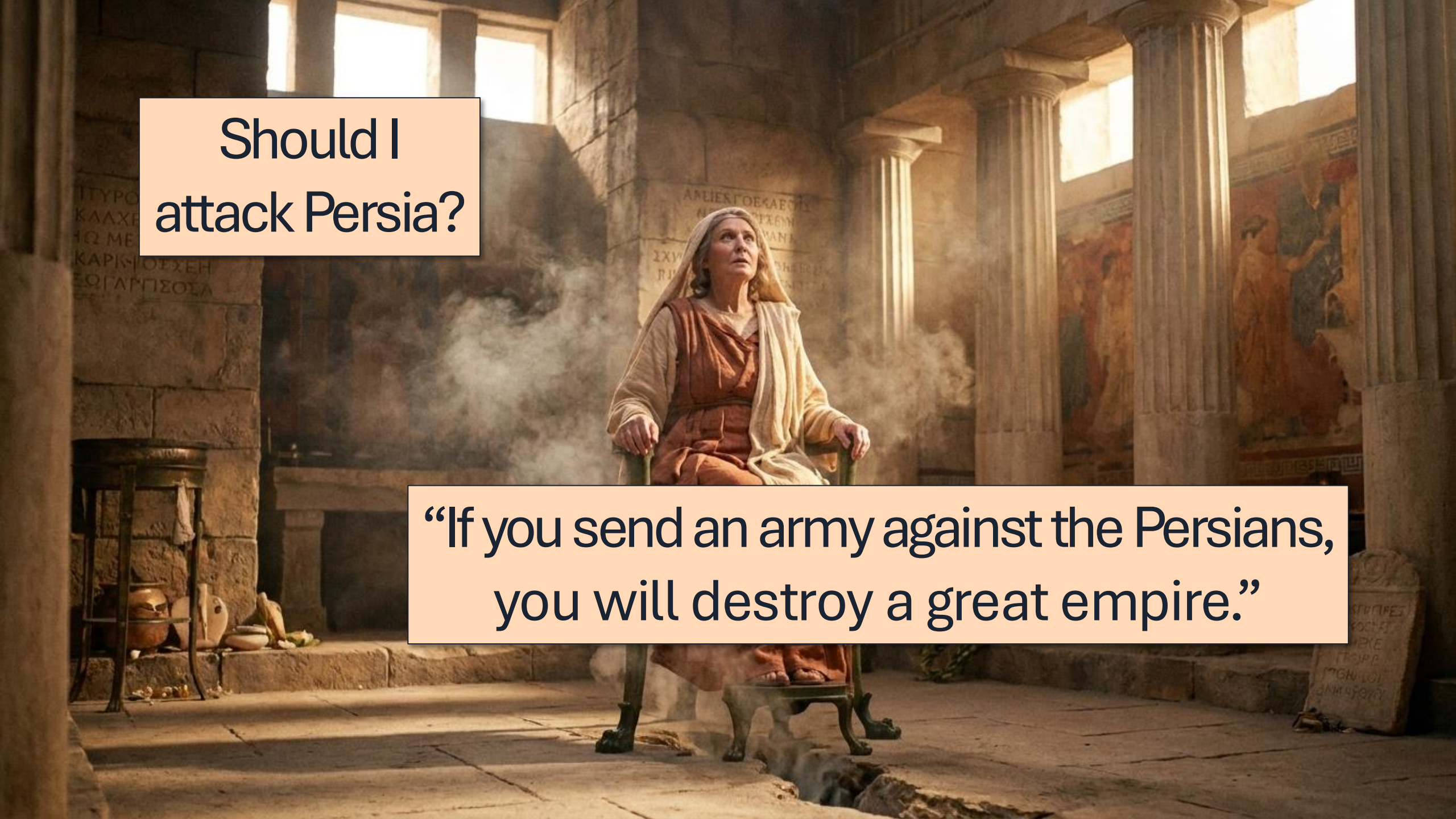
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Should I
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“If you send an army against the Persians,
you will destroy a great empire.”

MAPPA
ANATOLIAE ET ORIENTIS
PROXIMI CIRCA CCCCL
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BELLUM INTER LYDIAM
ET PERSAM



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- Boundaries
- ★ Royal Capitals
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- Regions (Fimitaries)

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Stadia/Milia Passuum

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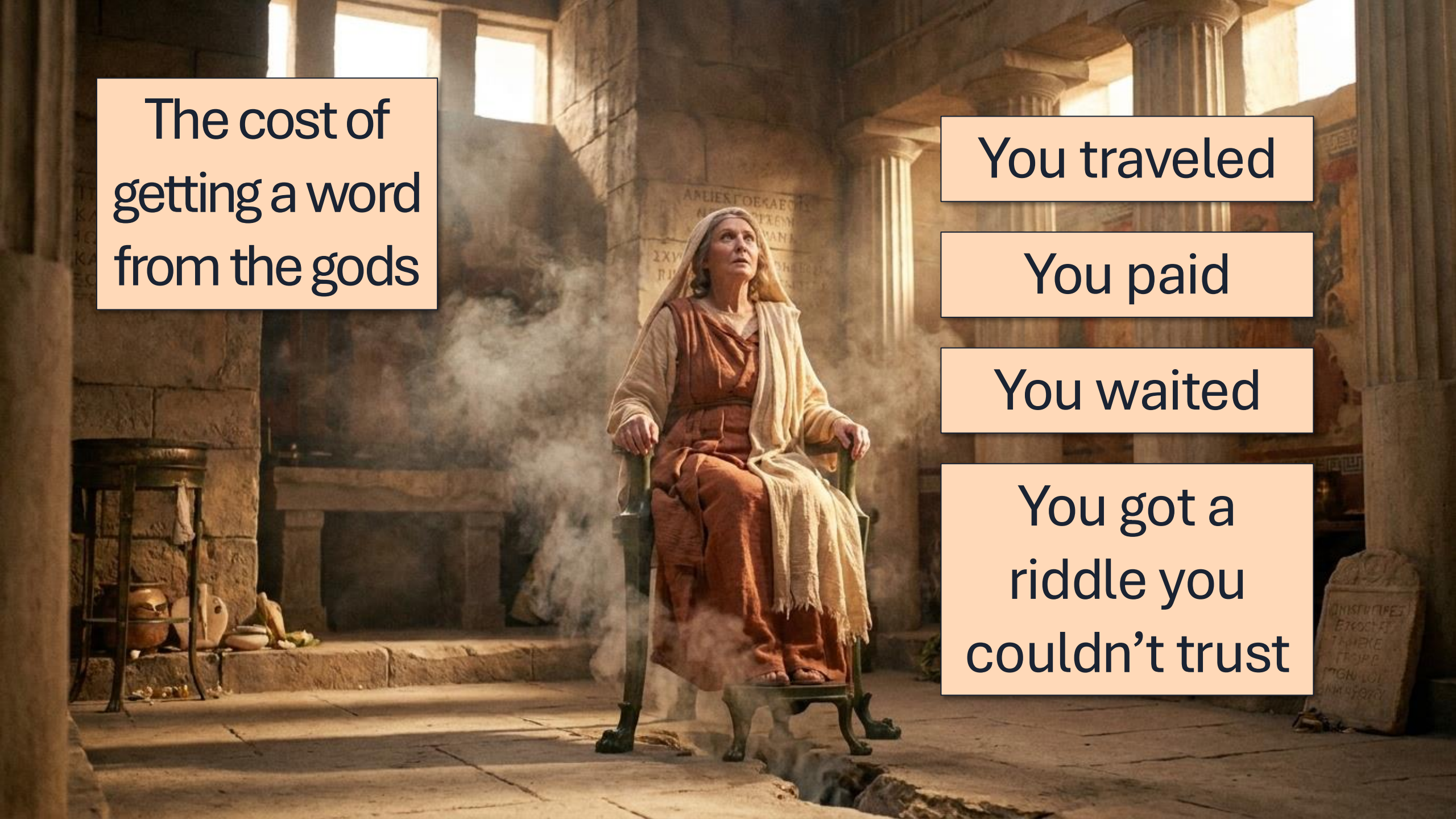
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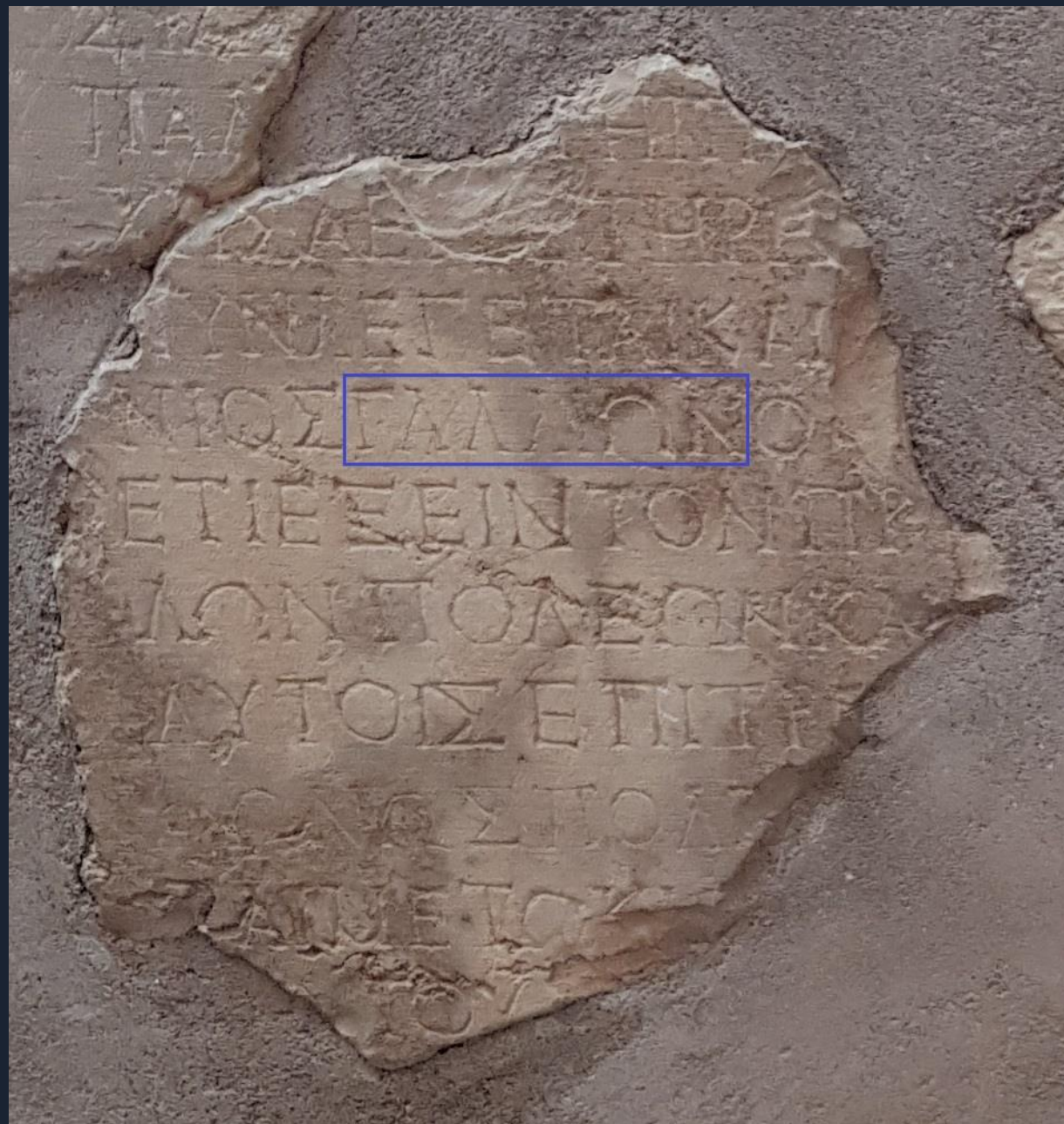
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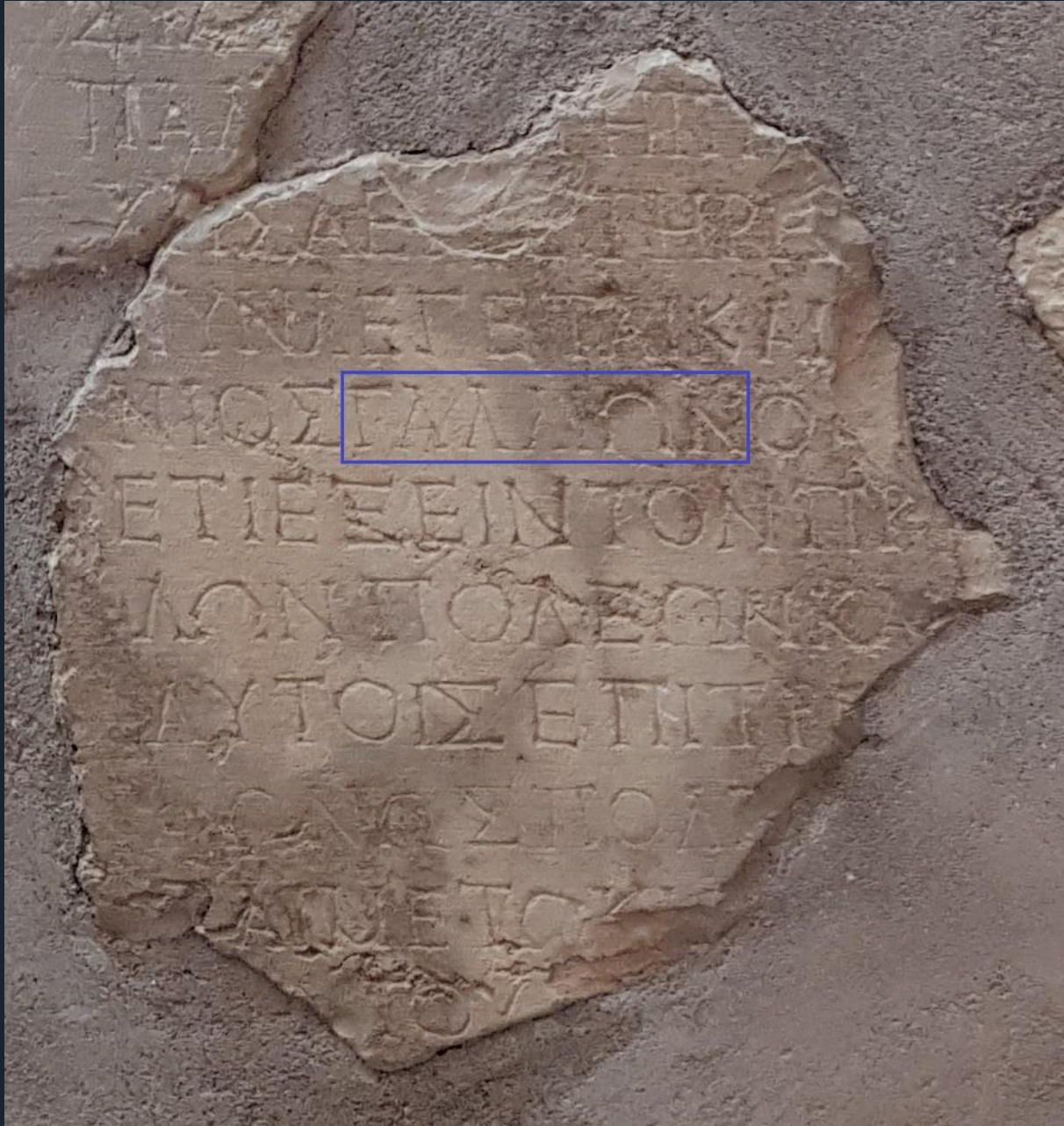
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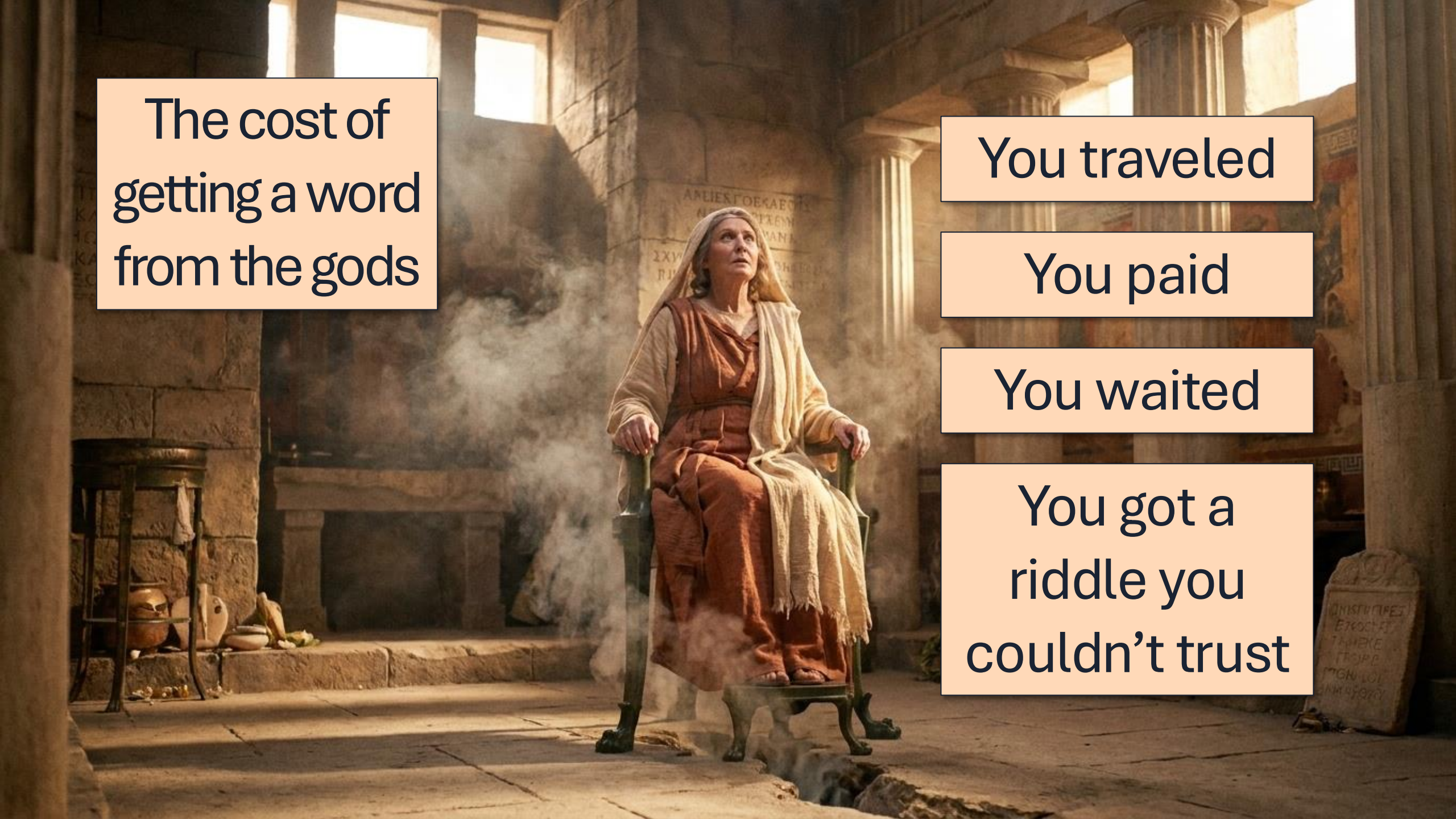
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The Gallio
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But the word
of God has
come to you!
And is in
your heart.
And is clear.

Context



Did God's
word fail?



Did God's
word fail?

Absolutely
not (9:6-29)







Then why the
unbelief?

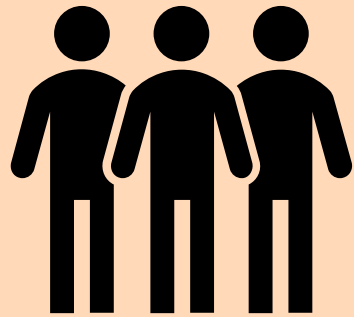
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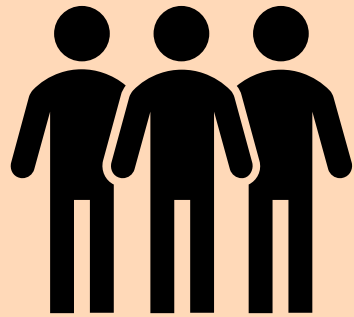
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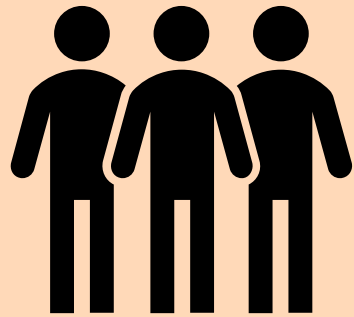
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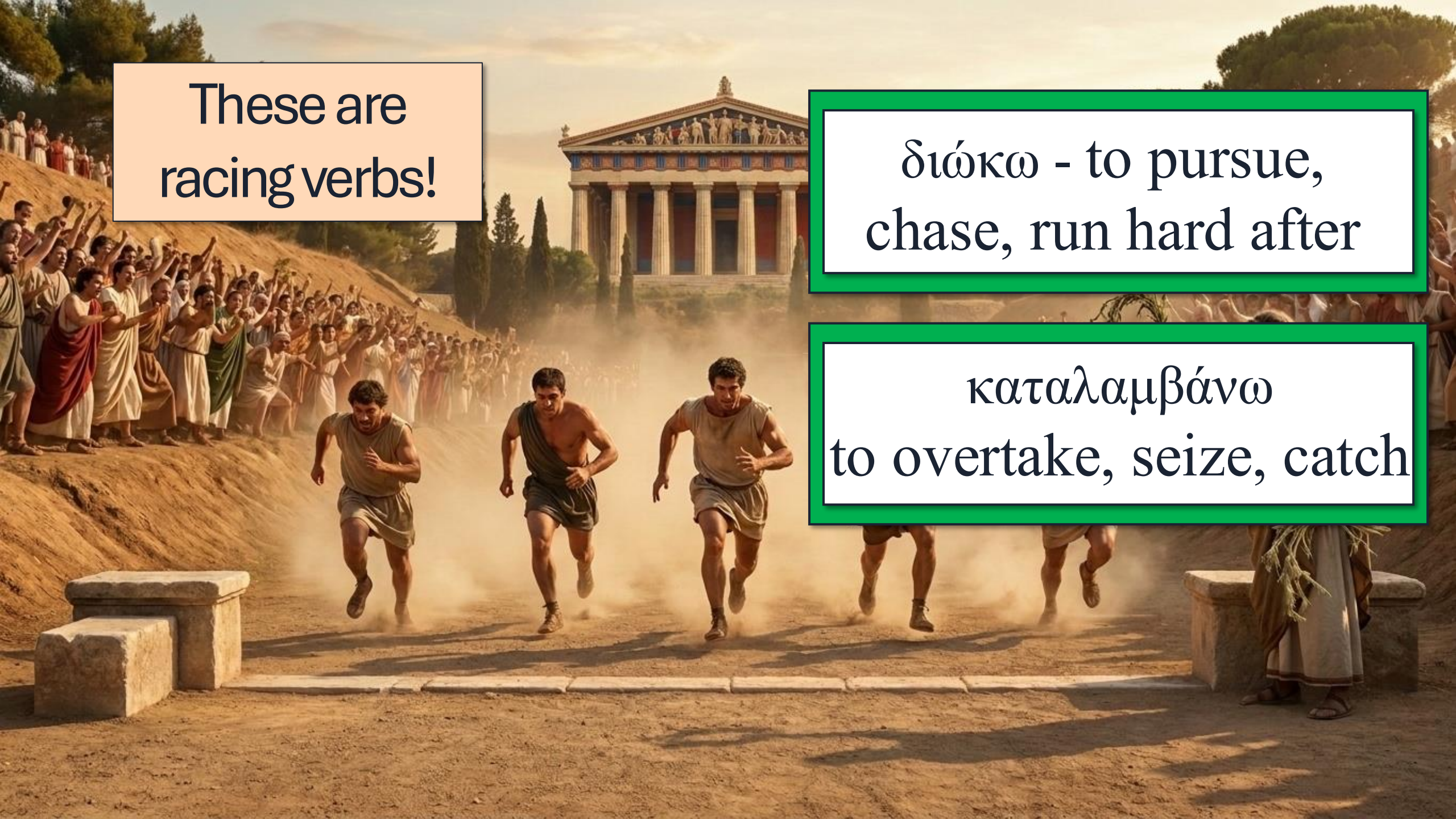
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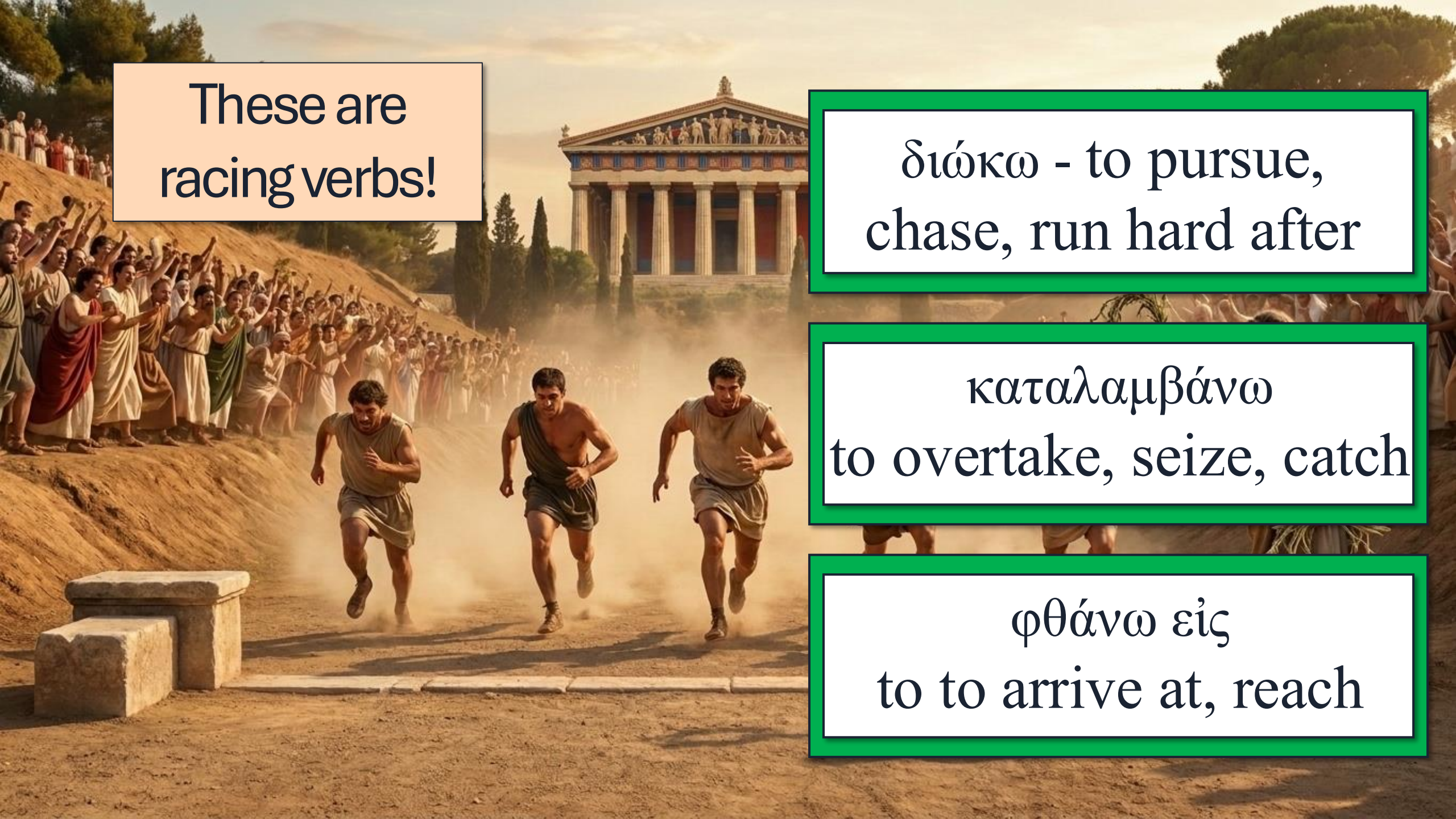


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Paul has put Israel
and the nations
on a track!

φθάνω εἰς
to to arrive at, reach

Isthmus Games



Israel stumbled on a rock
God placed in their path!







The runner who never entered,
never trained, never took the
blocks, and spent the race in the
stands eating gets the crown.

Rom. 10:4

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Jesus is the finish line

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Say It: the
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Lev. 18:5

You shall therefore
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my rules; if a person
does them, he shall live
by them: I am the LORD.

Lev. 18:5

καὶ φυλάξεσθε πάντα τὰ
προστάγματά μου καὶ
πάντα τὰ κρίματά μου
καὶ ποιήσετε αὐτά, ἃ
ποιήσας ἄνθρωπος
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That is the law's
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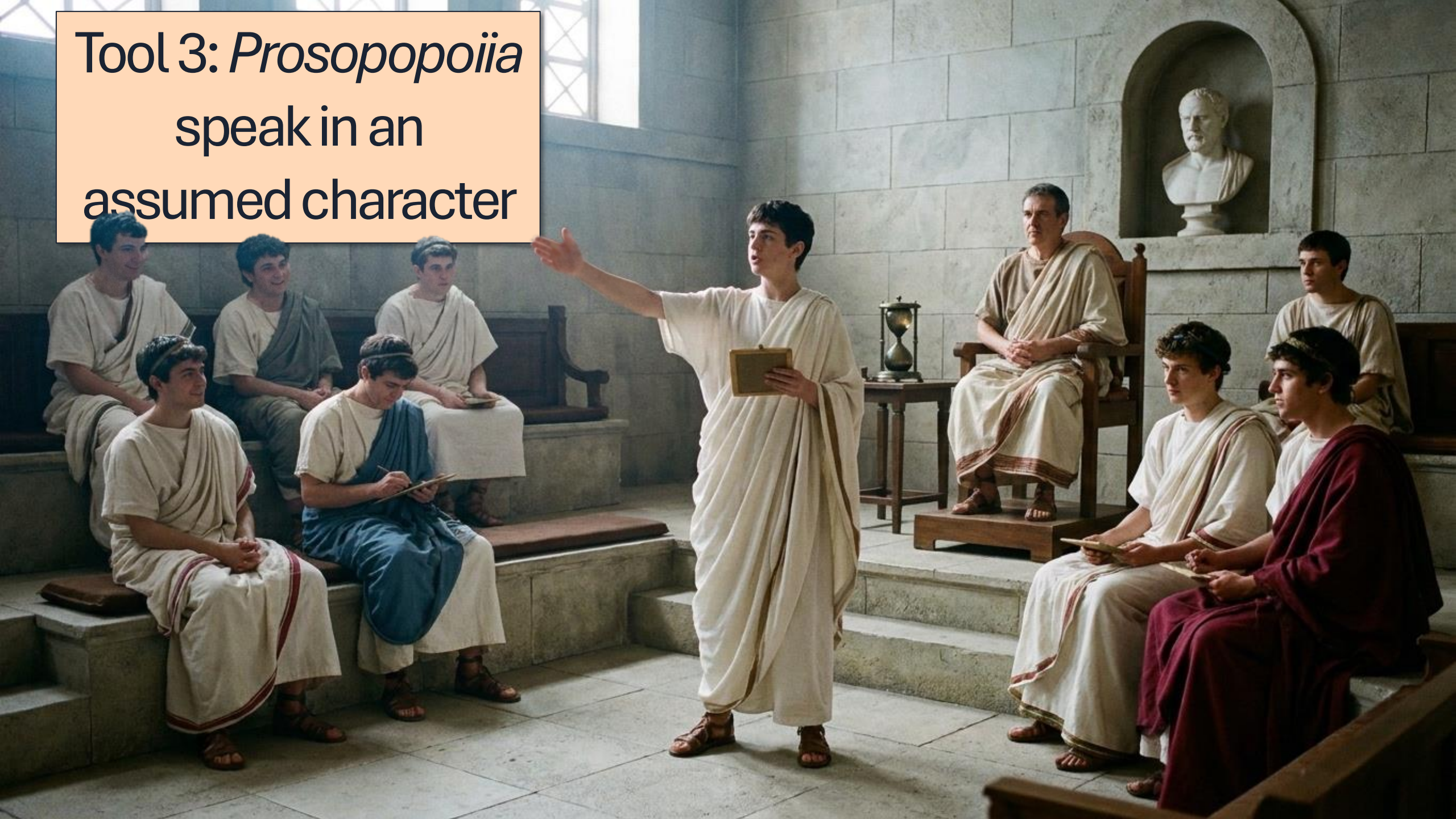
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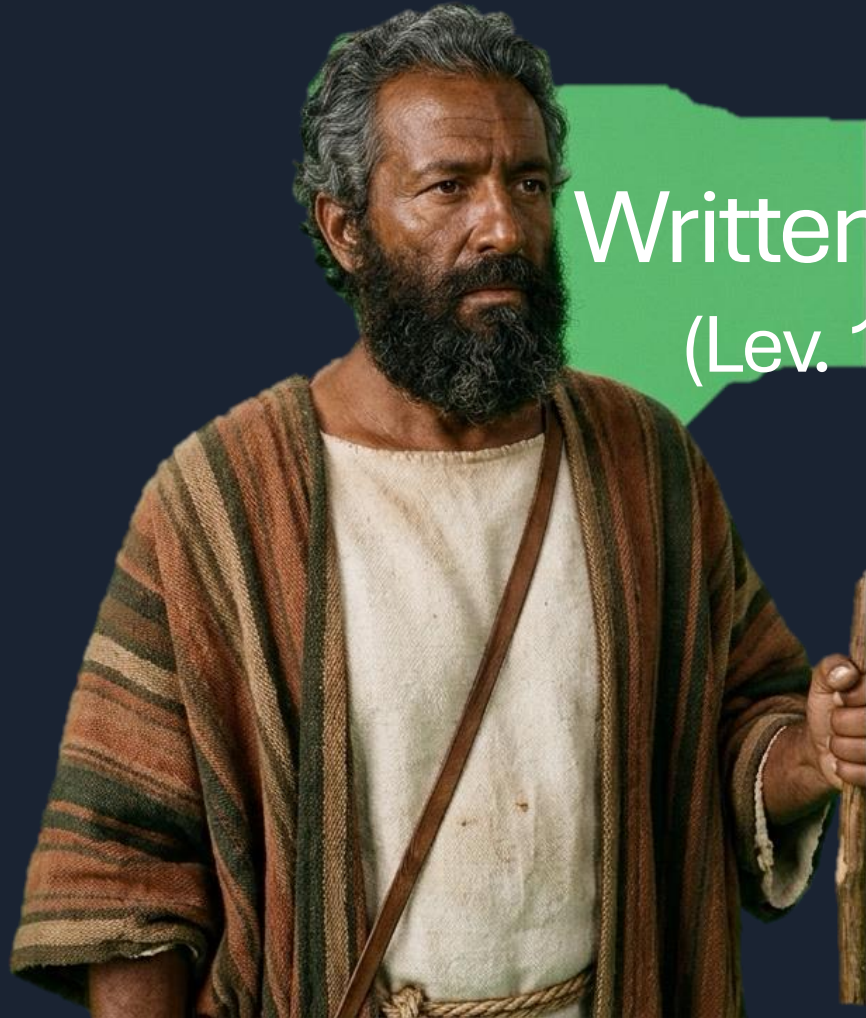
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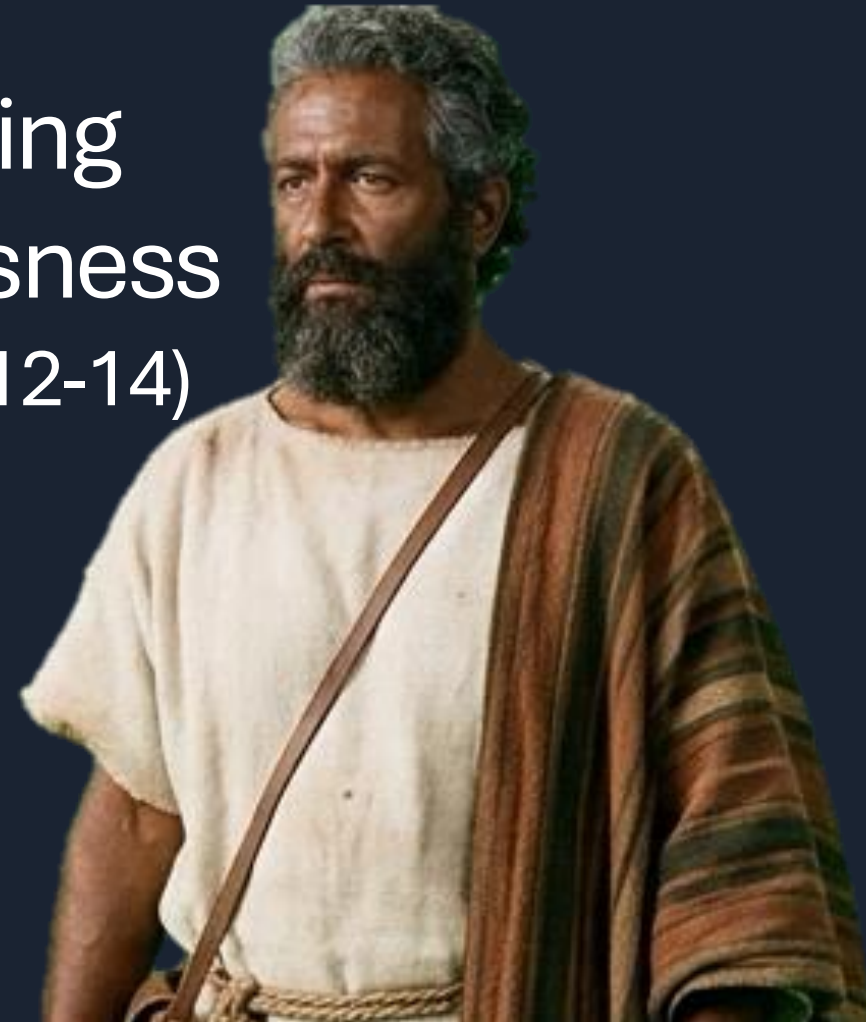
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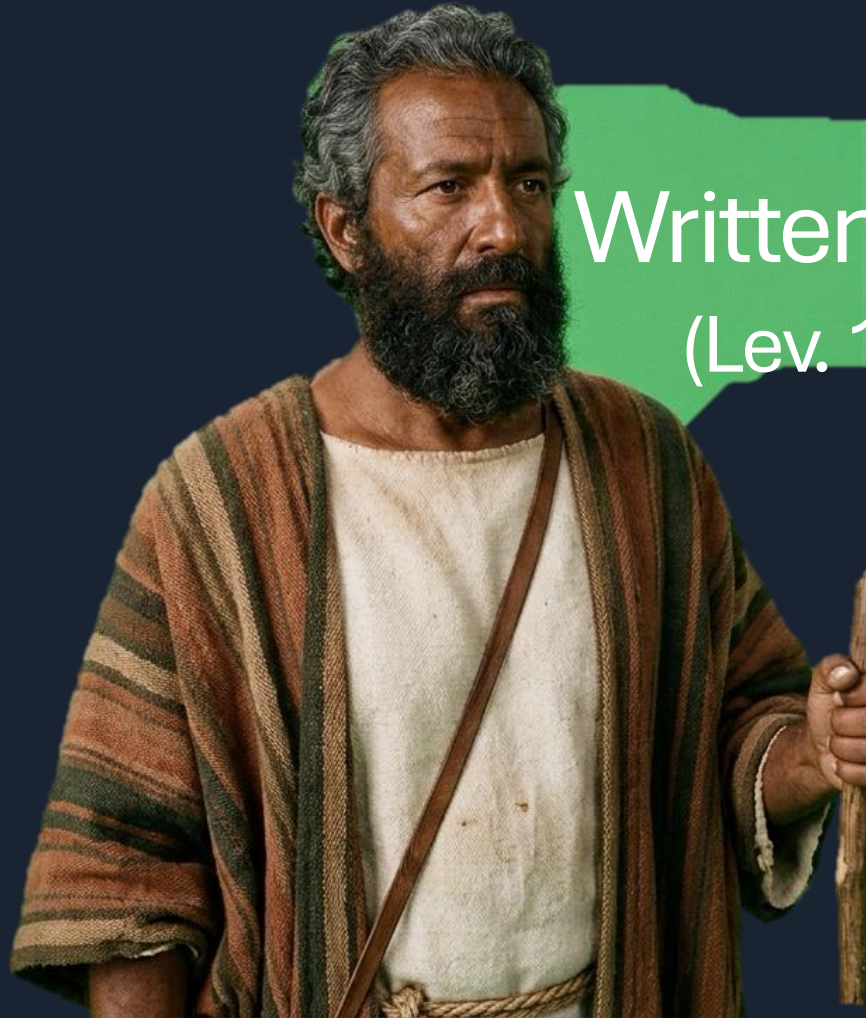
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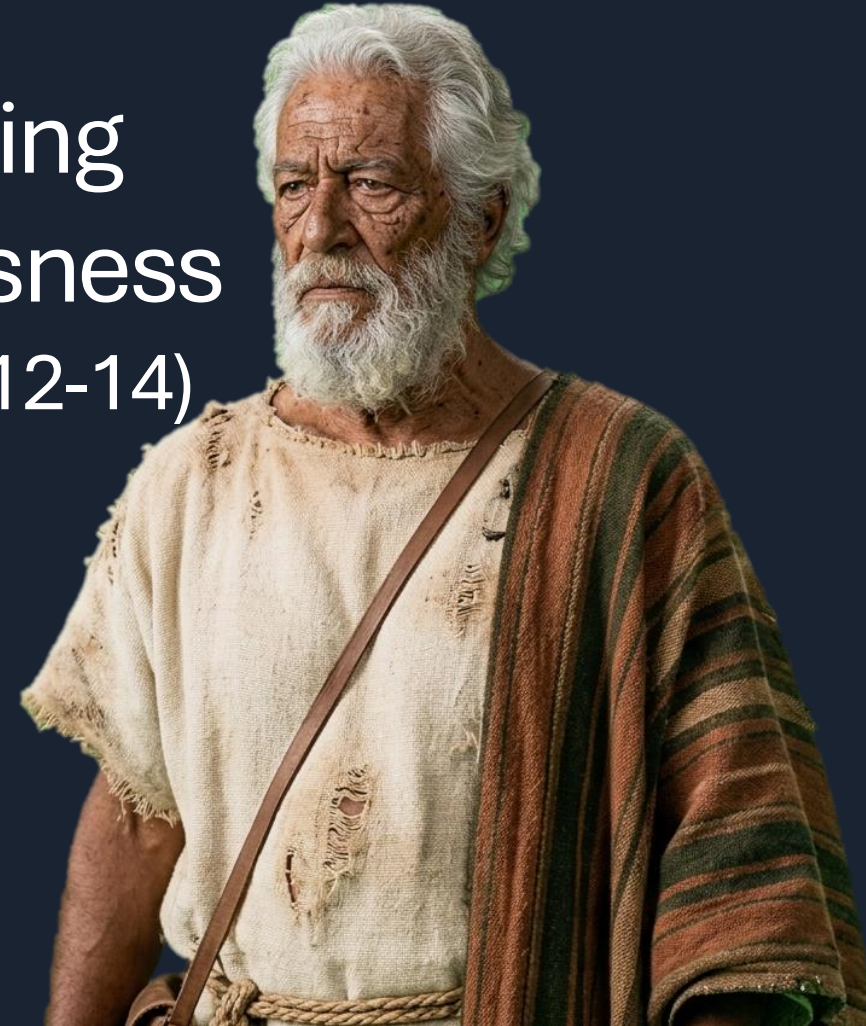
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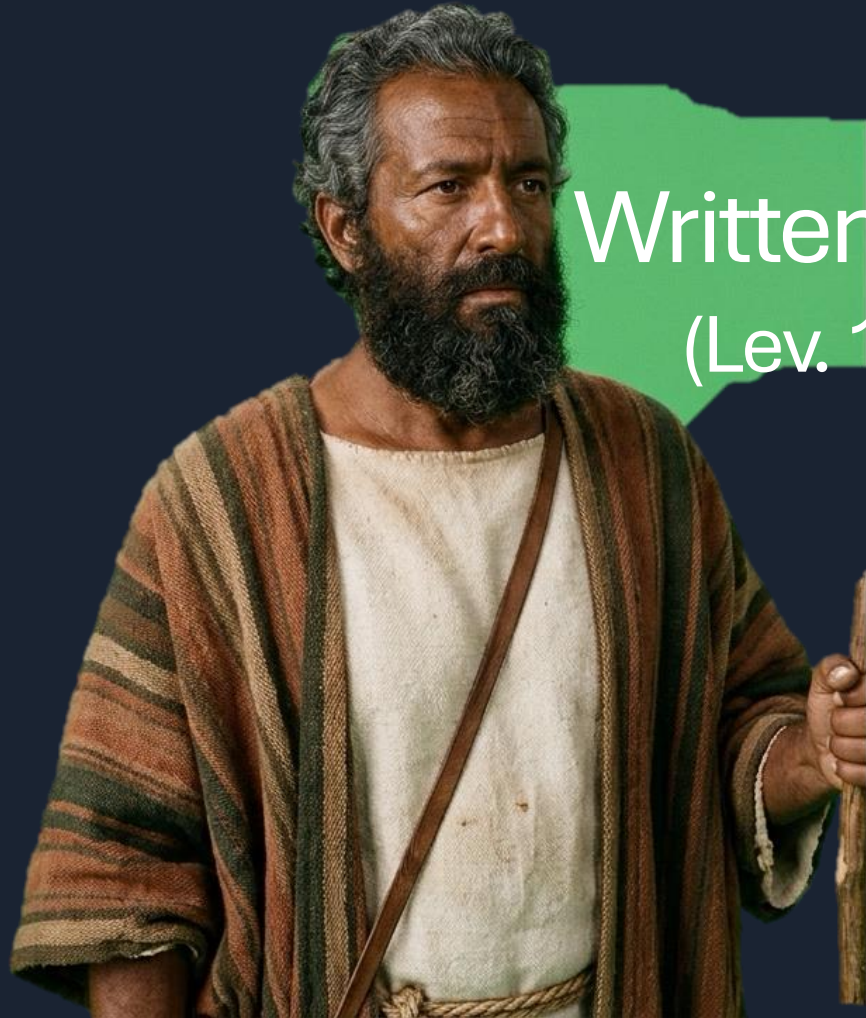
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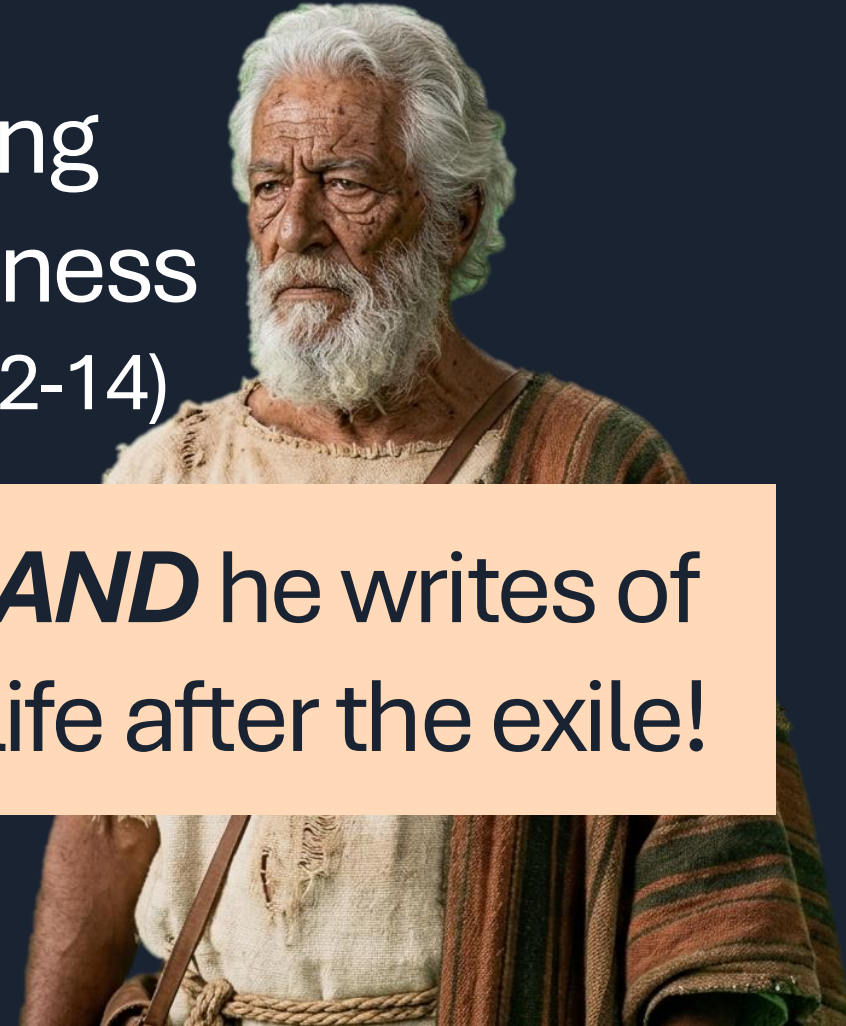
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AND he writes of
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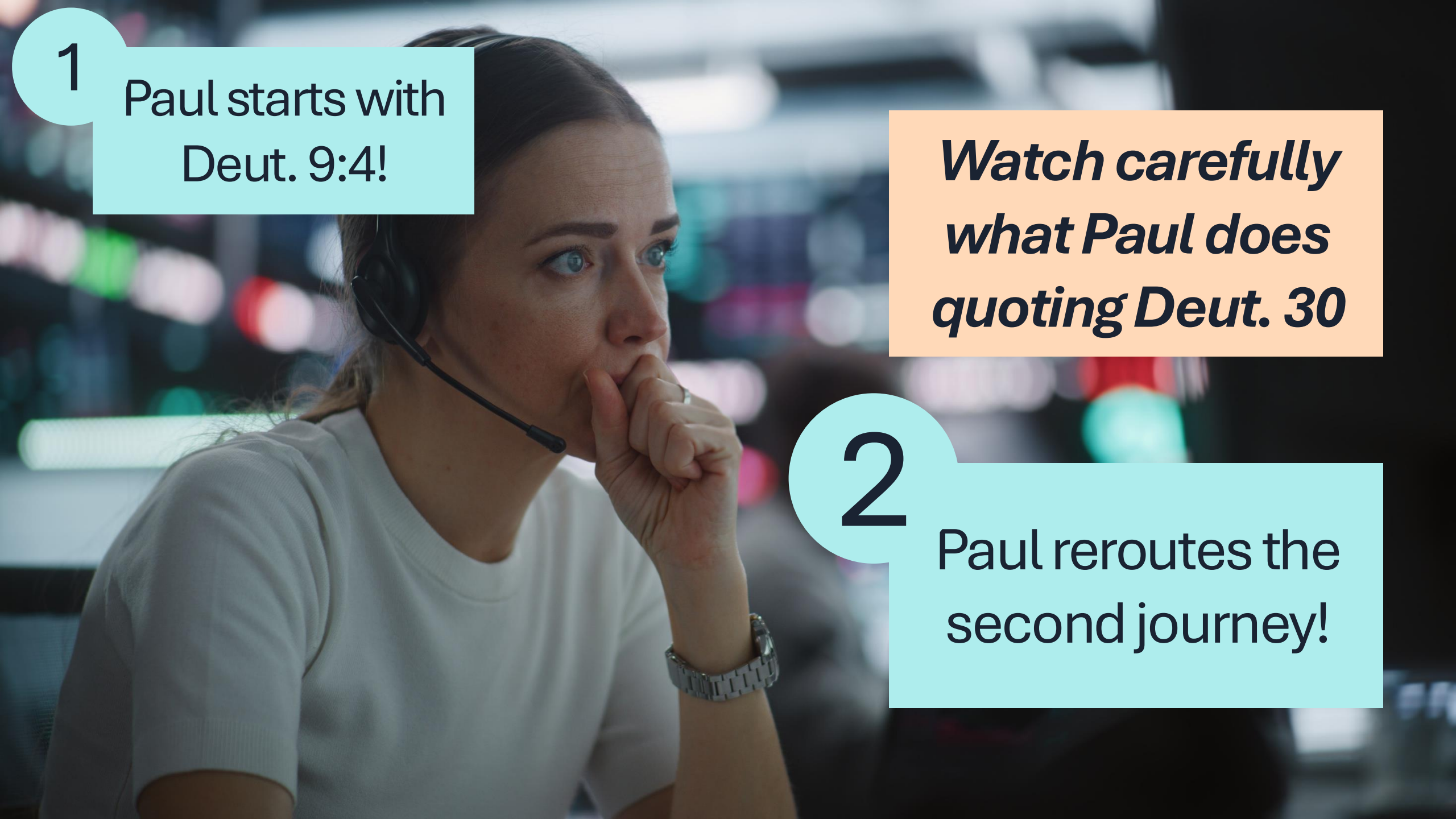
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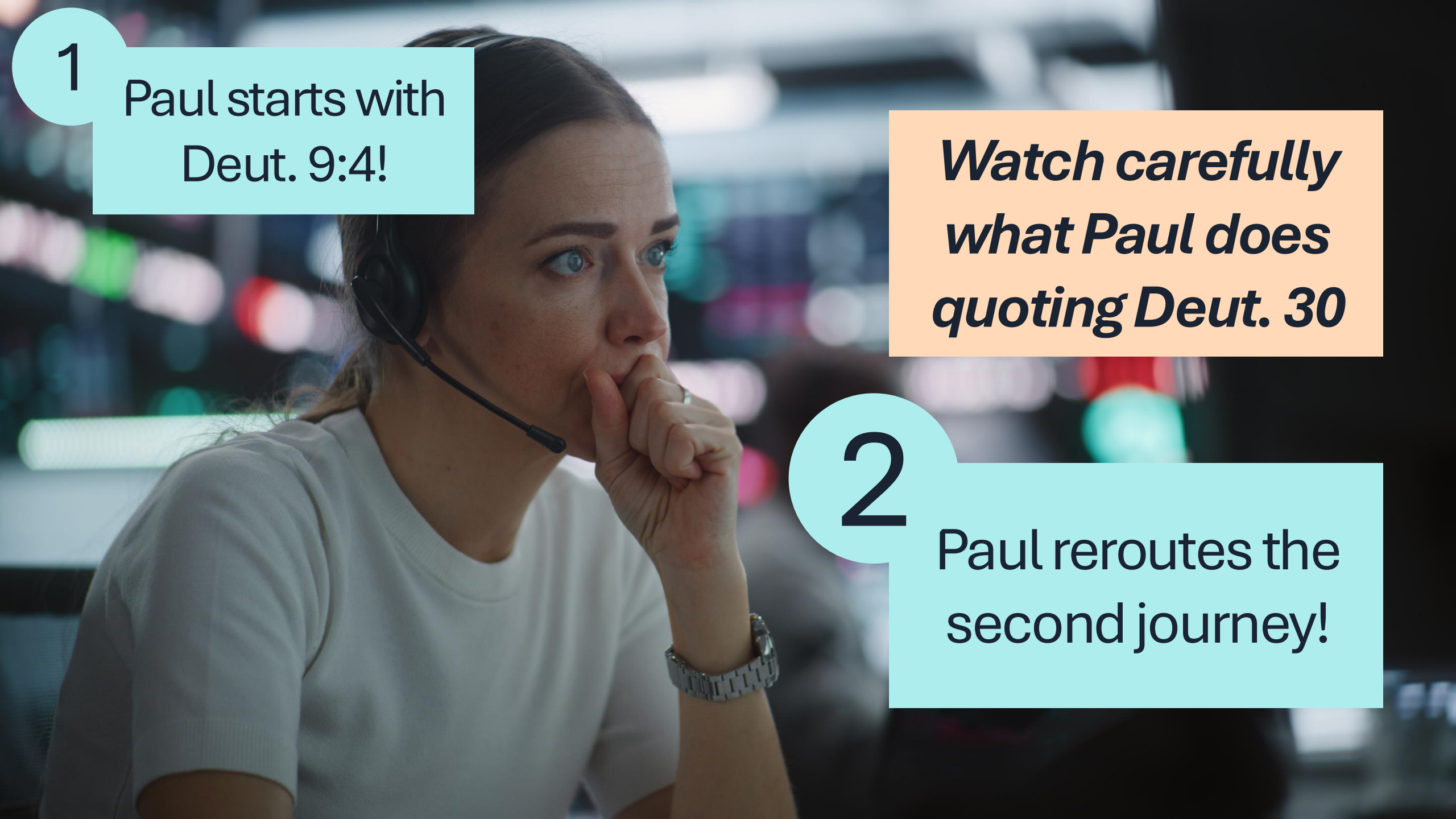
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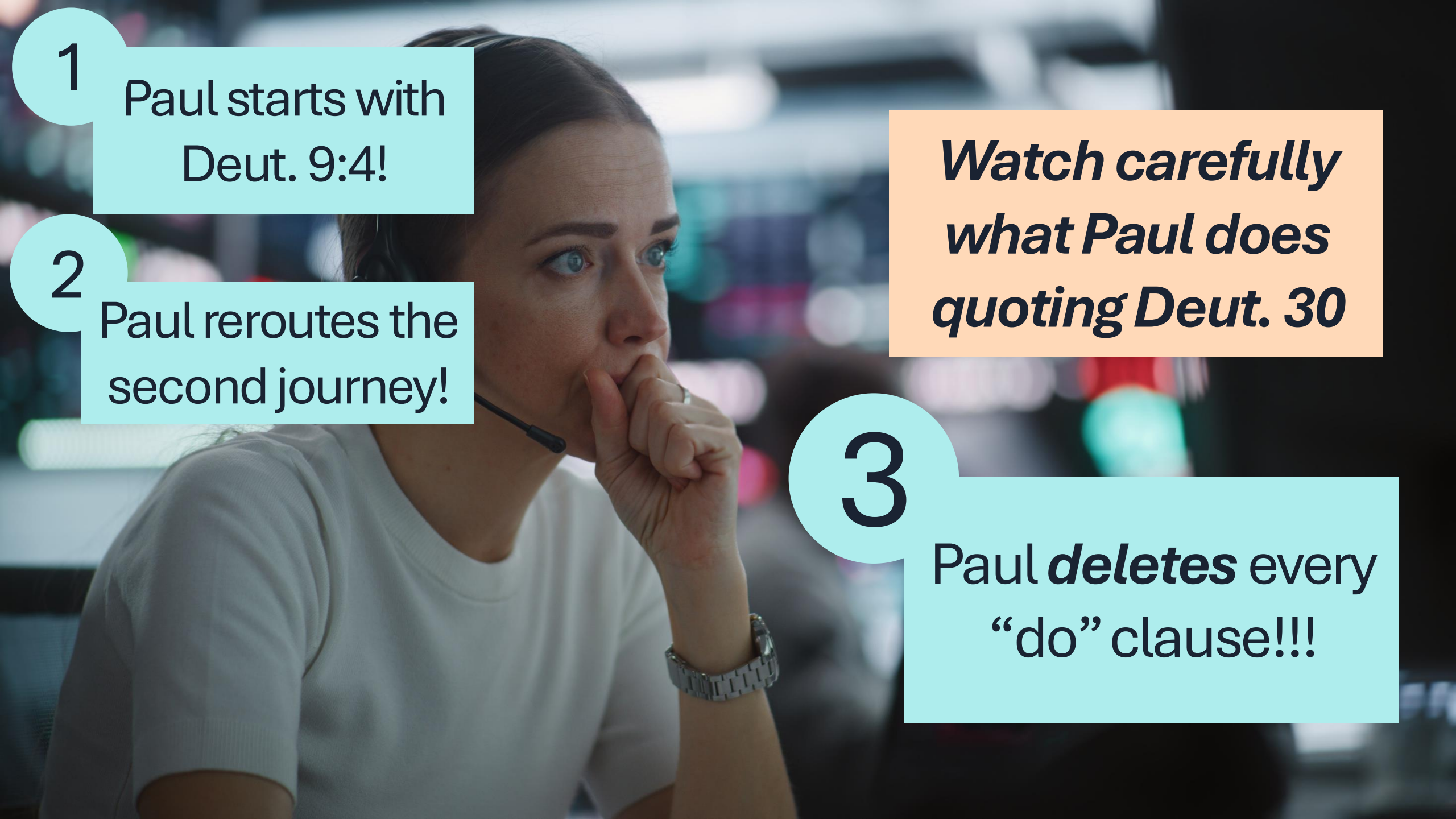
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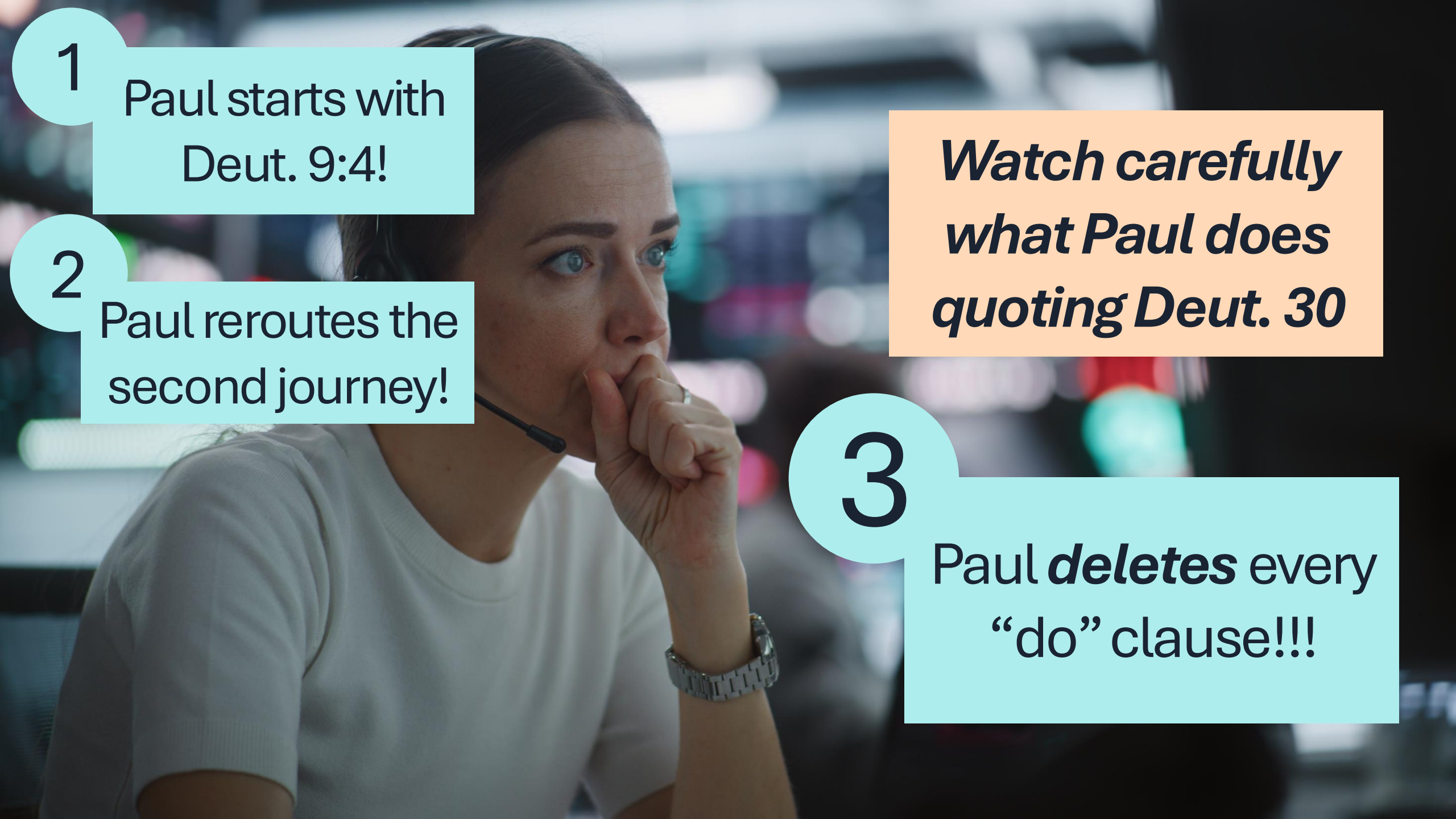
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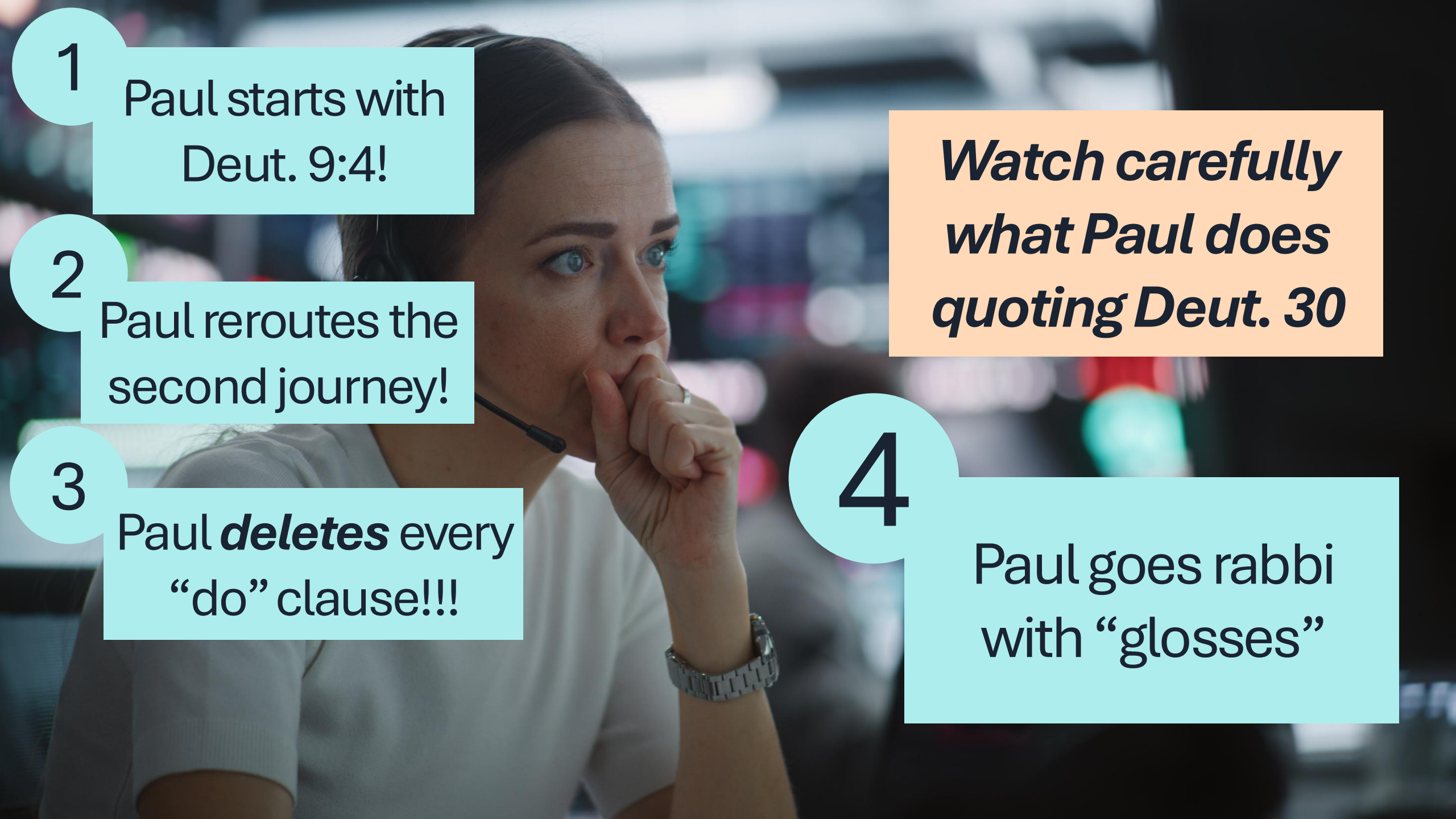
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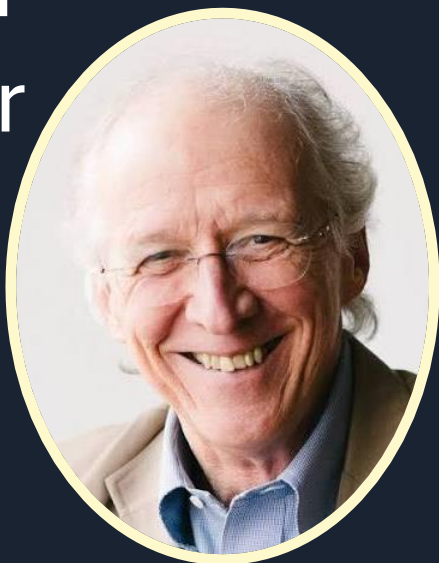
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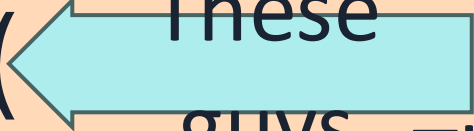
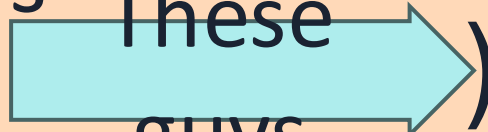


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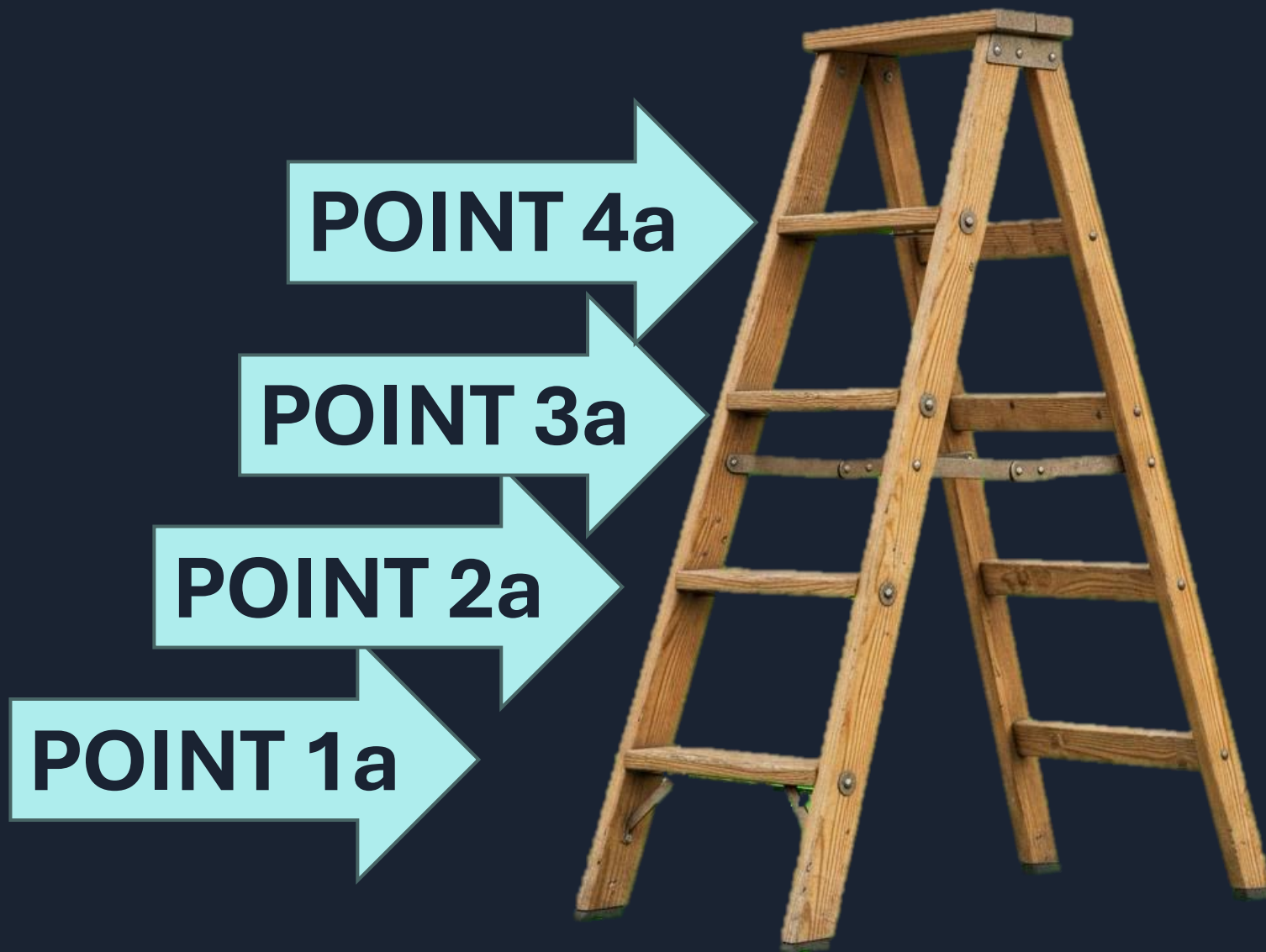


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Say It: the
Nearest Word
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(10:9–13)

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**NEXT
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Rom. 10:9

because, if you confess
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ὅτι εἰ ὁμολογήσῃς ἐν
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“Everyone who believes
in him will not be put to
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πιστεύων ἐπ’ αὐτῷ οὐ
καταισχυνθήσεται.*

Rom. 10:12

For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him.

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οὐ γάρ ἐστιν διαστολή
Ἰουδαίου τε καὶ
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“... Do not say in your heart...
ascend... descend...”
(Rom. 10:6)

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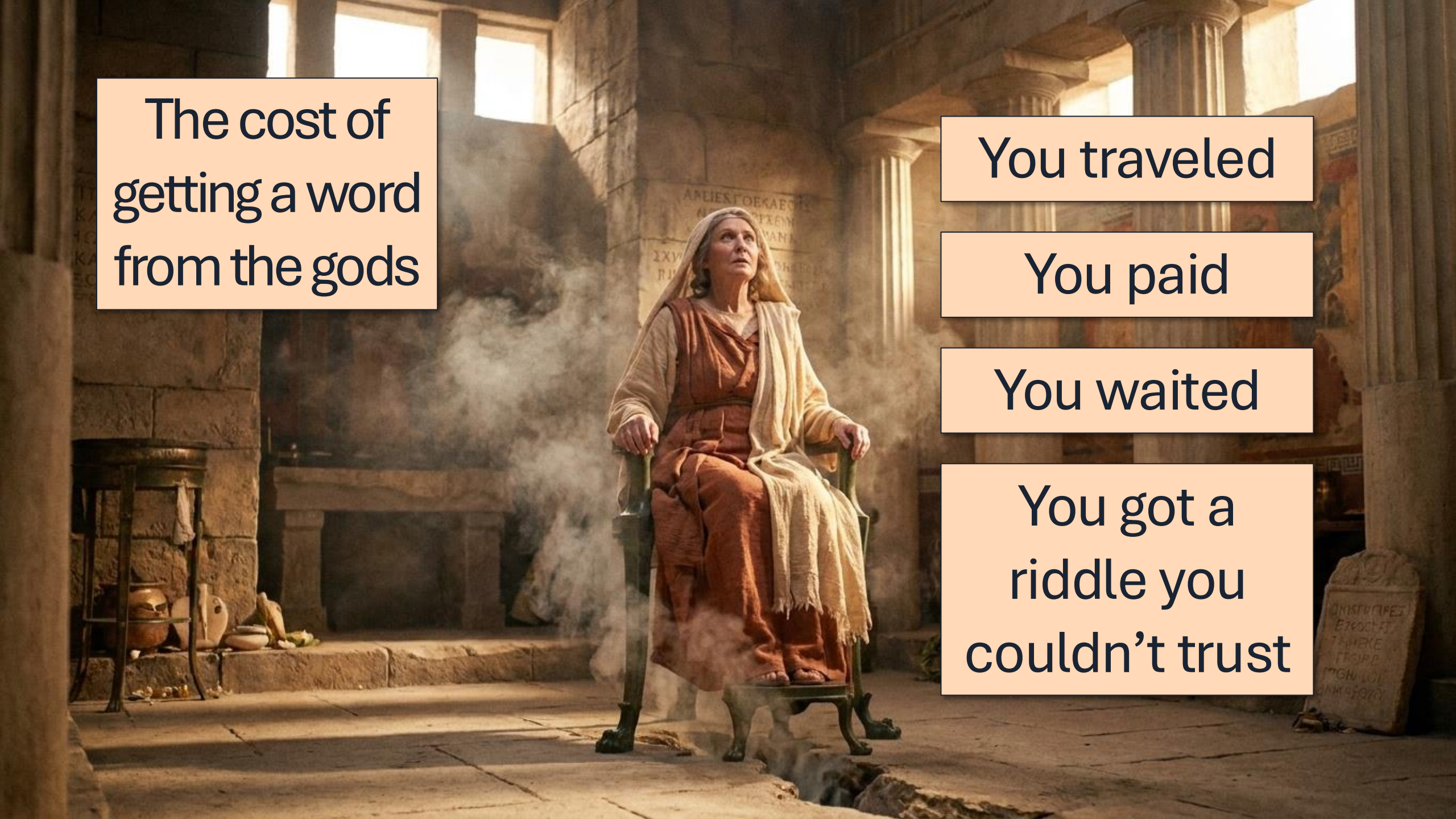
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Romans

