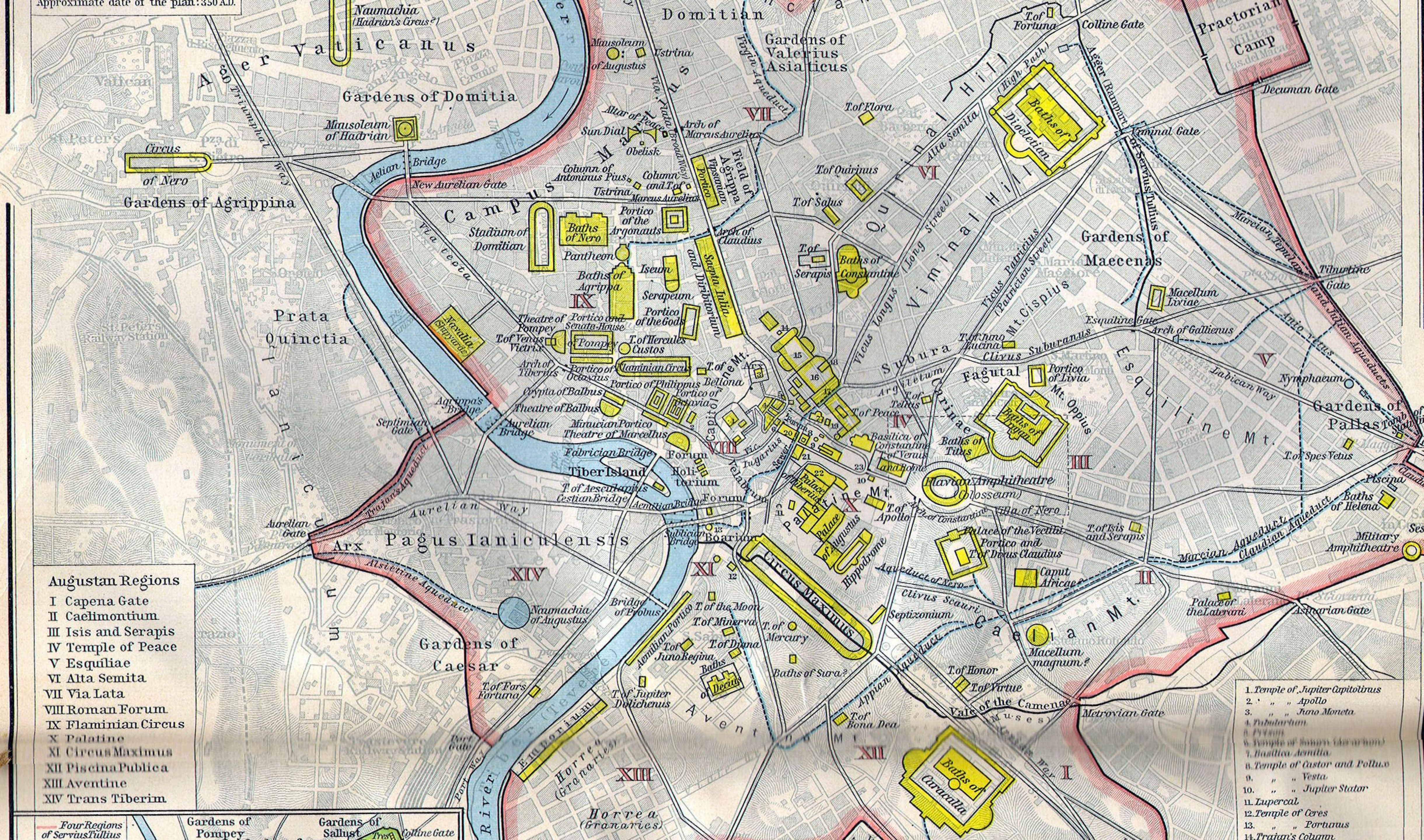
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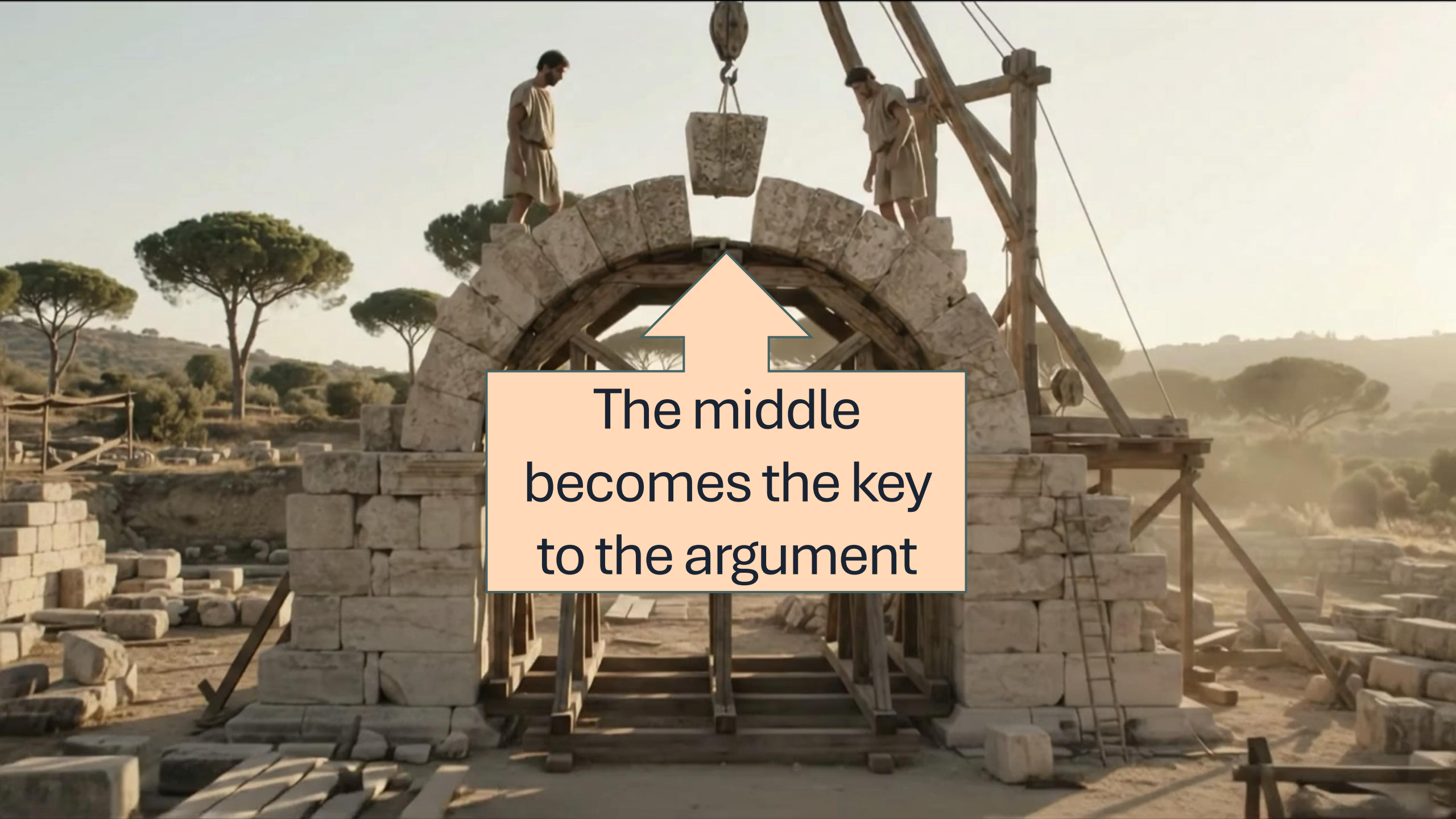

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The ancients often built their arguments like they did their arches...


“CHIASM”




The middle becomes the key to the argument



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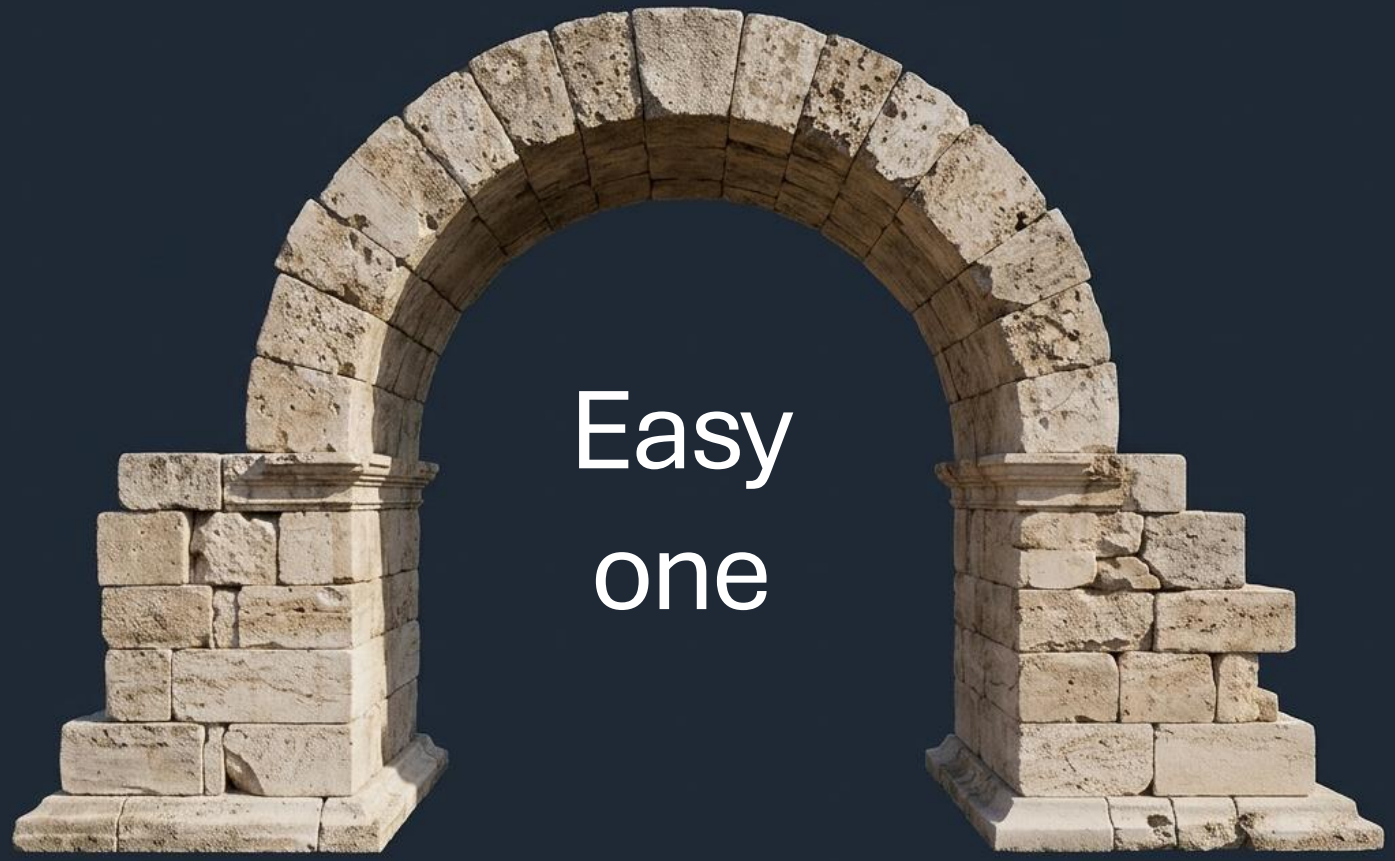
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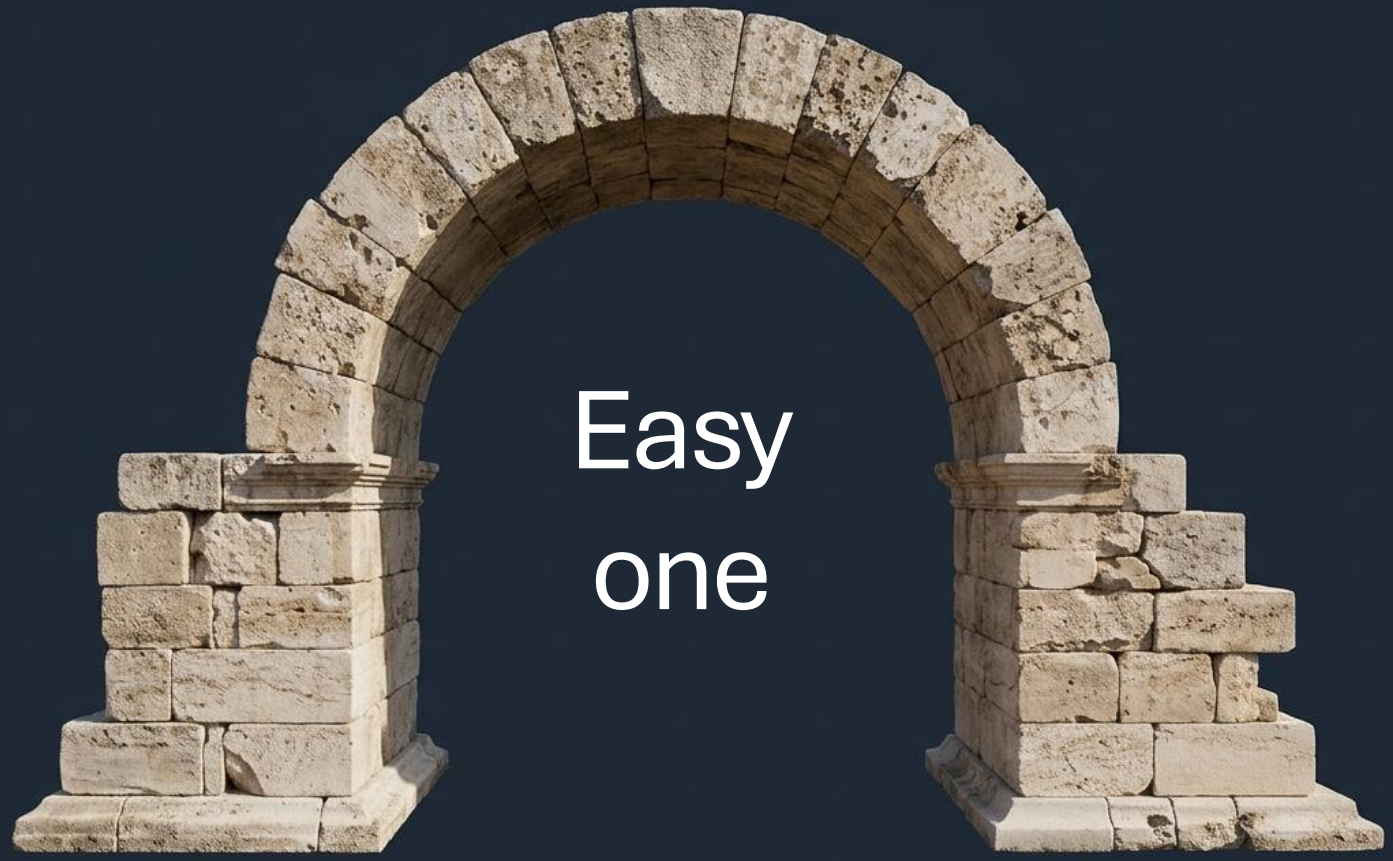


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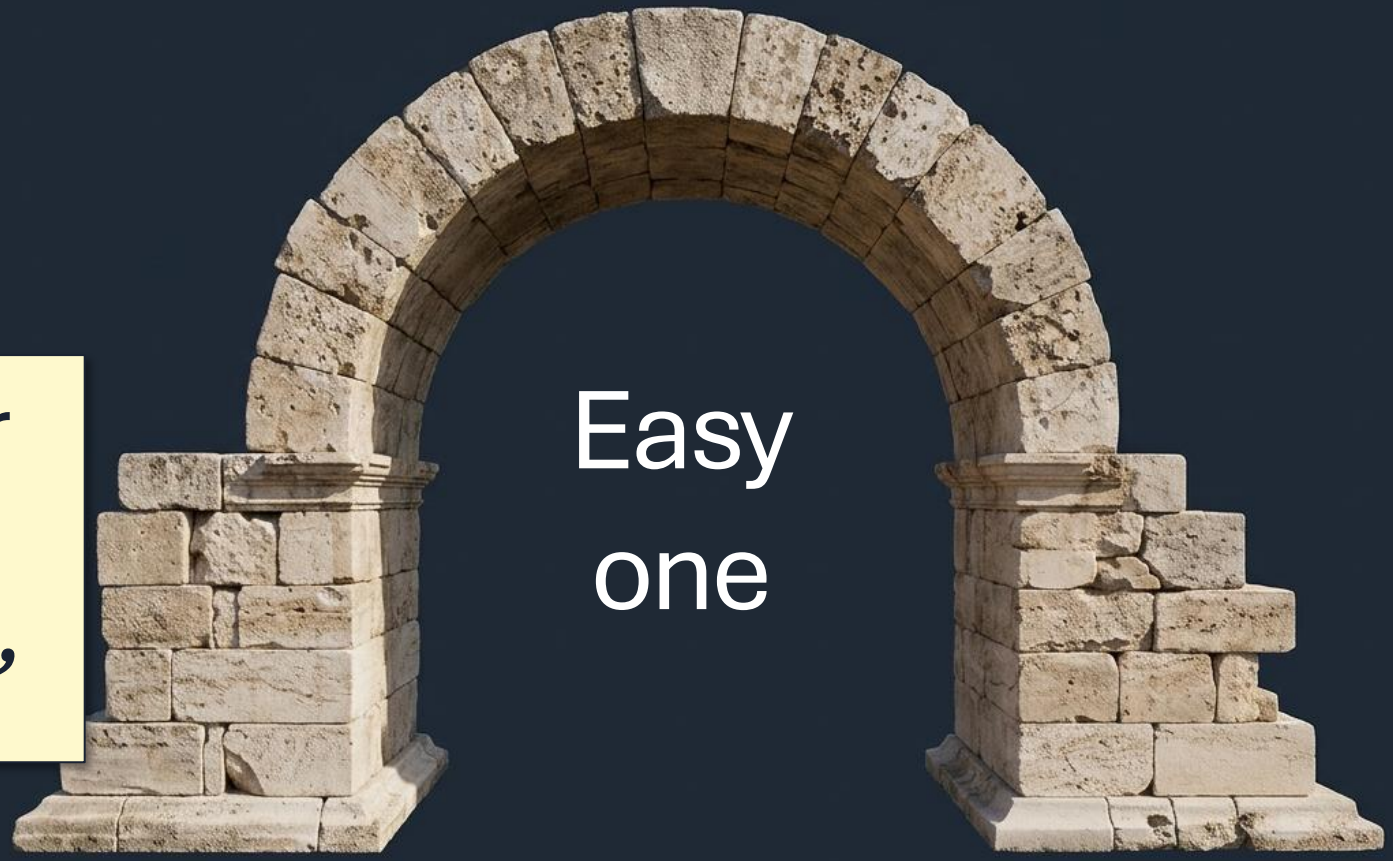
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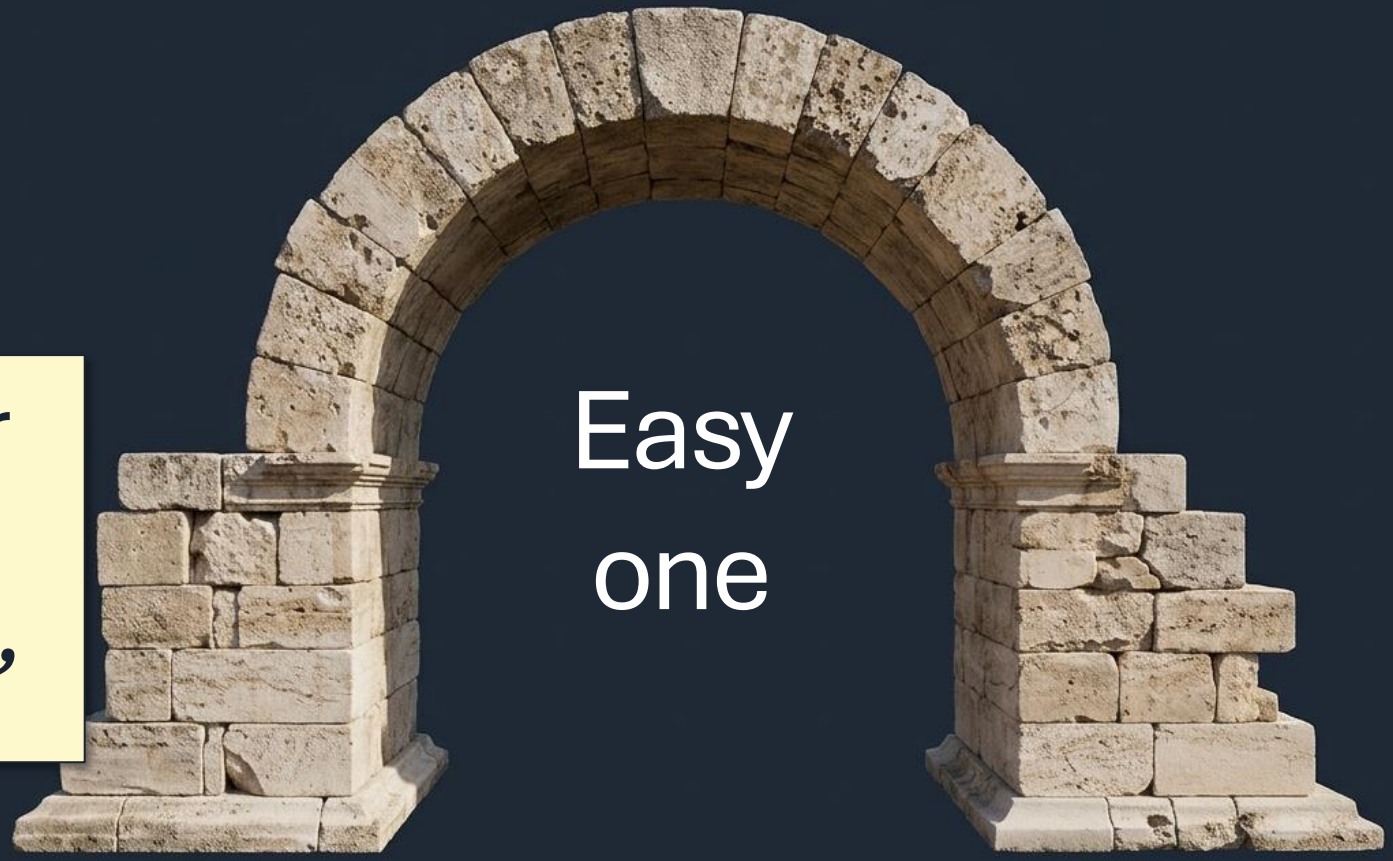


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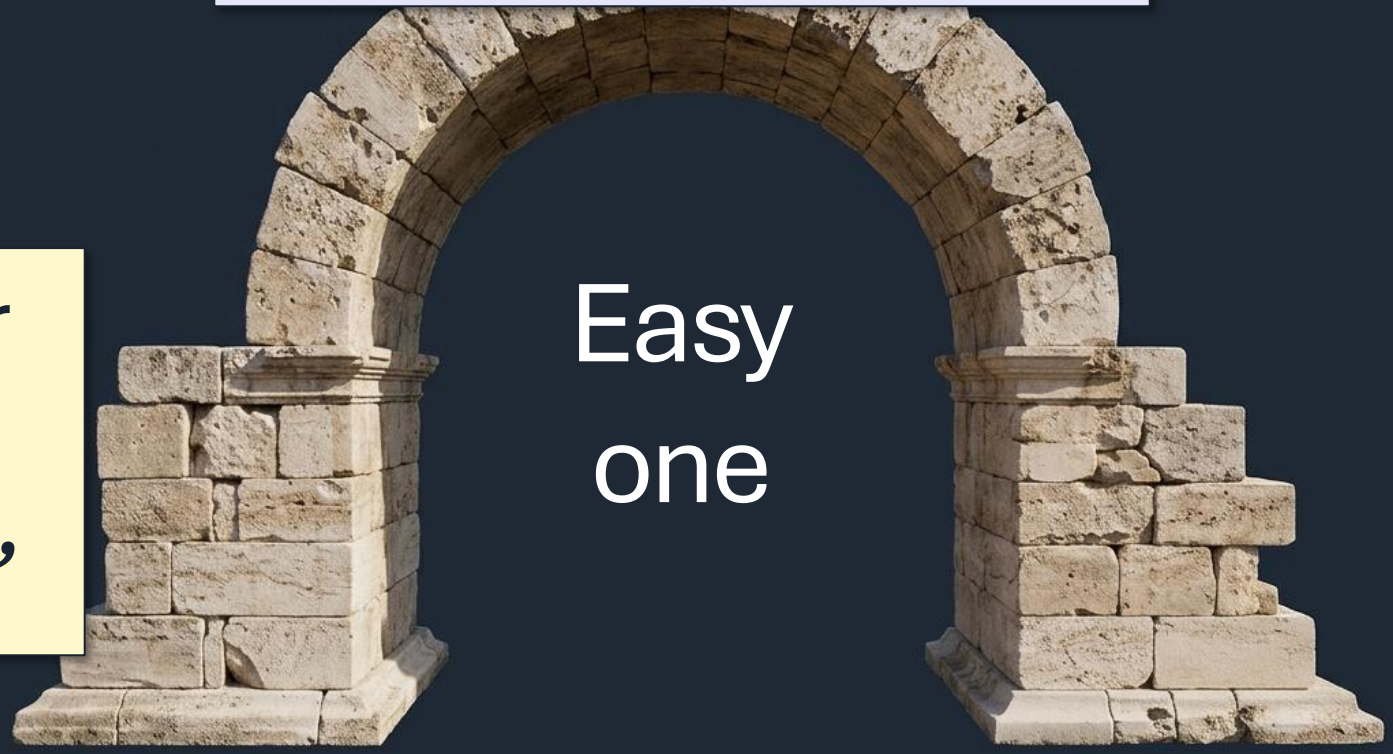
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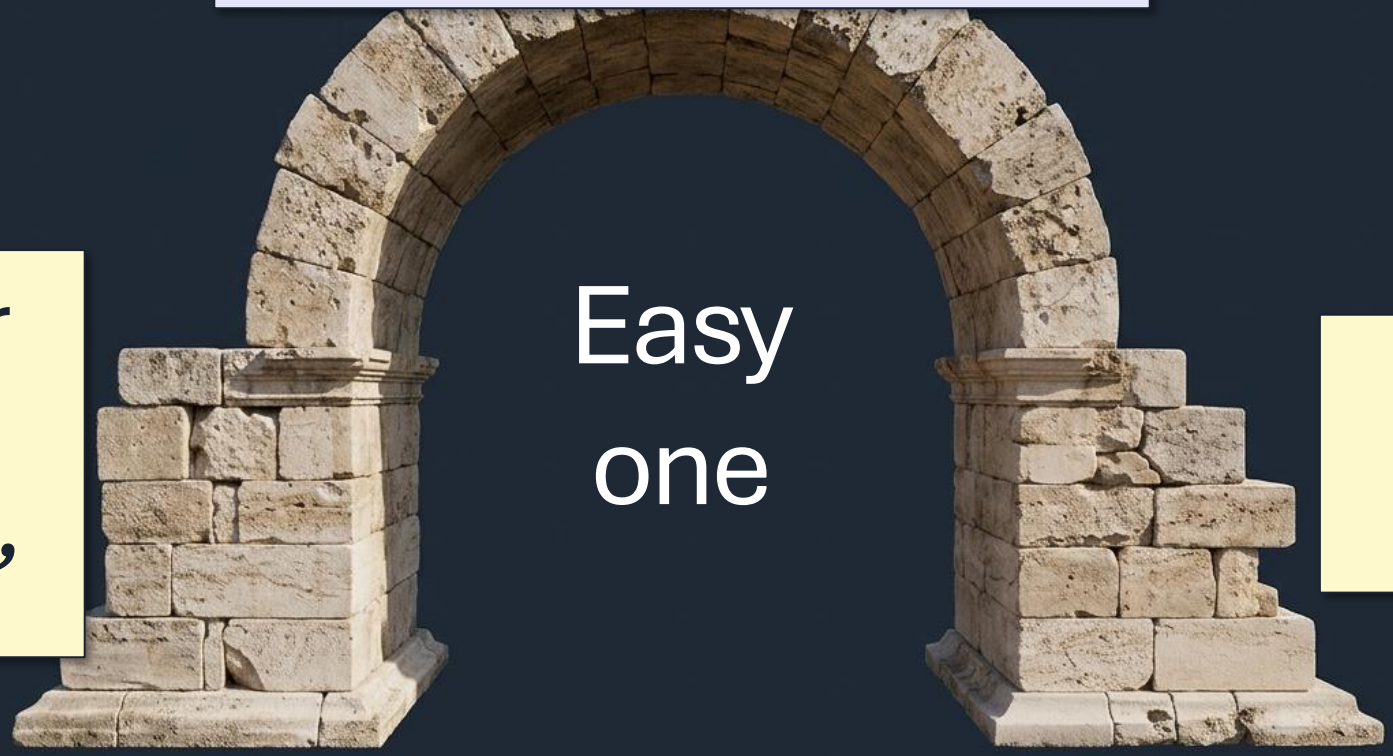
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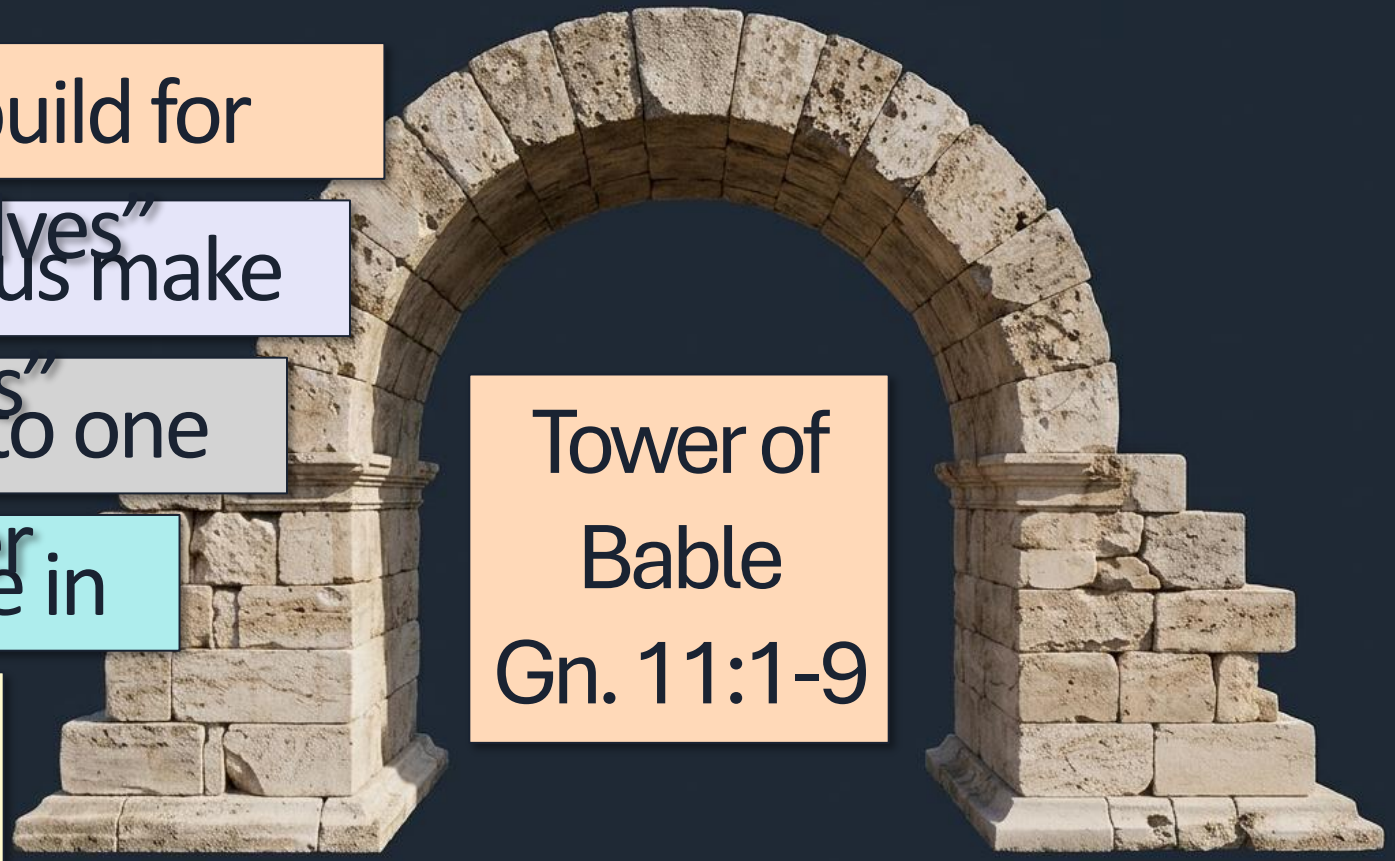
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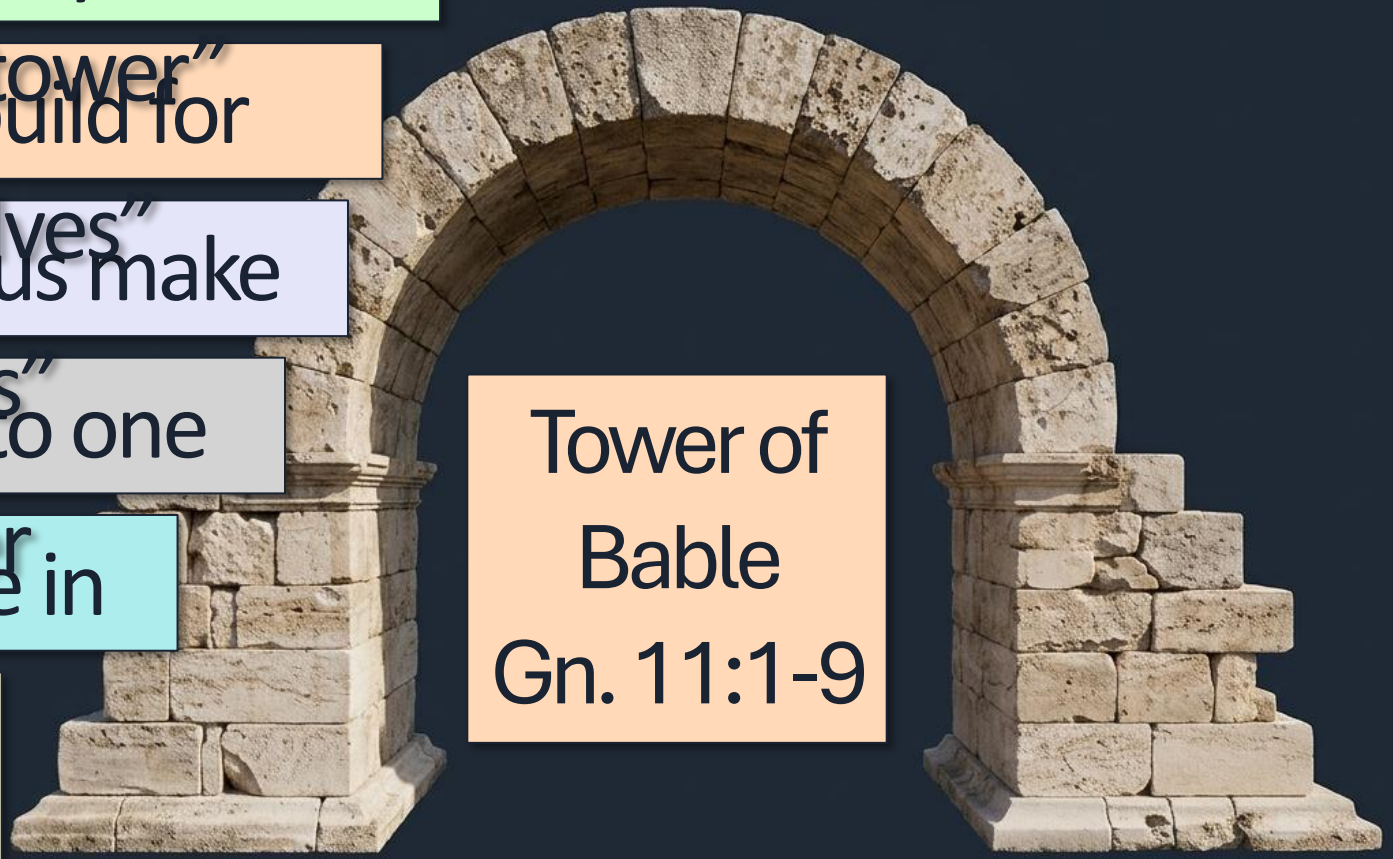
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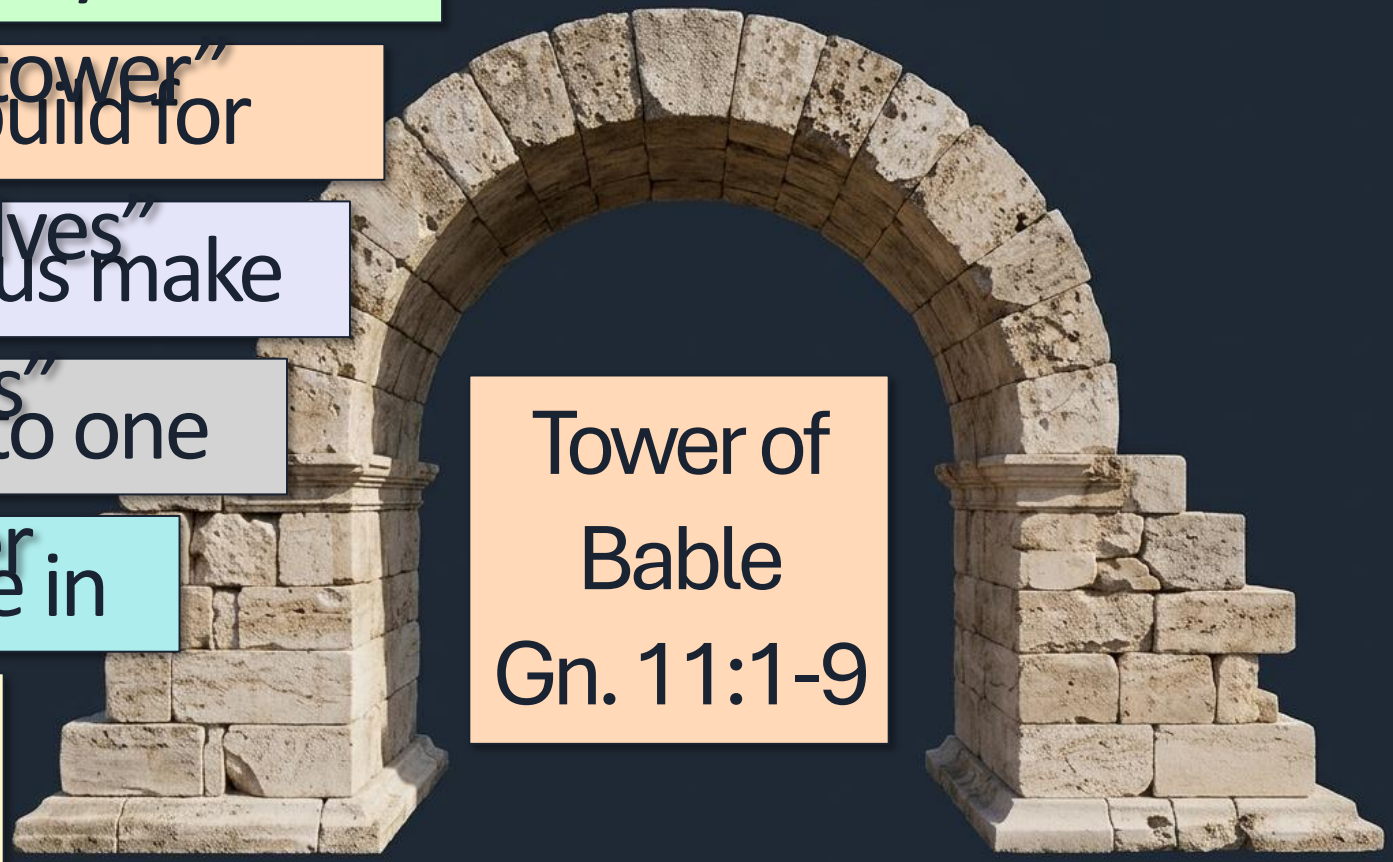
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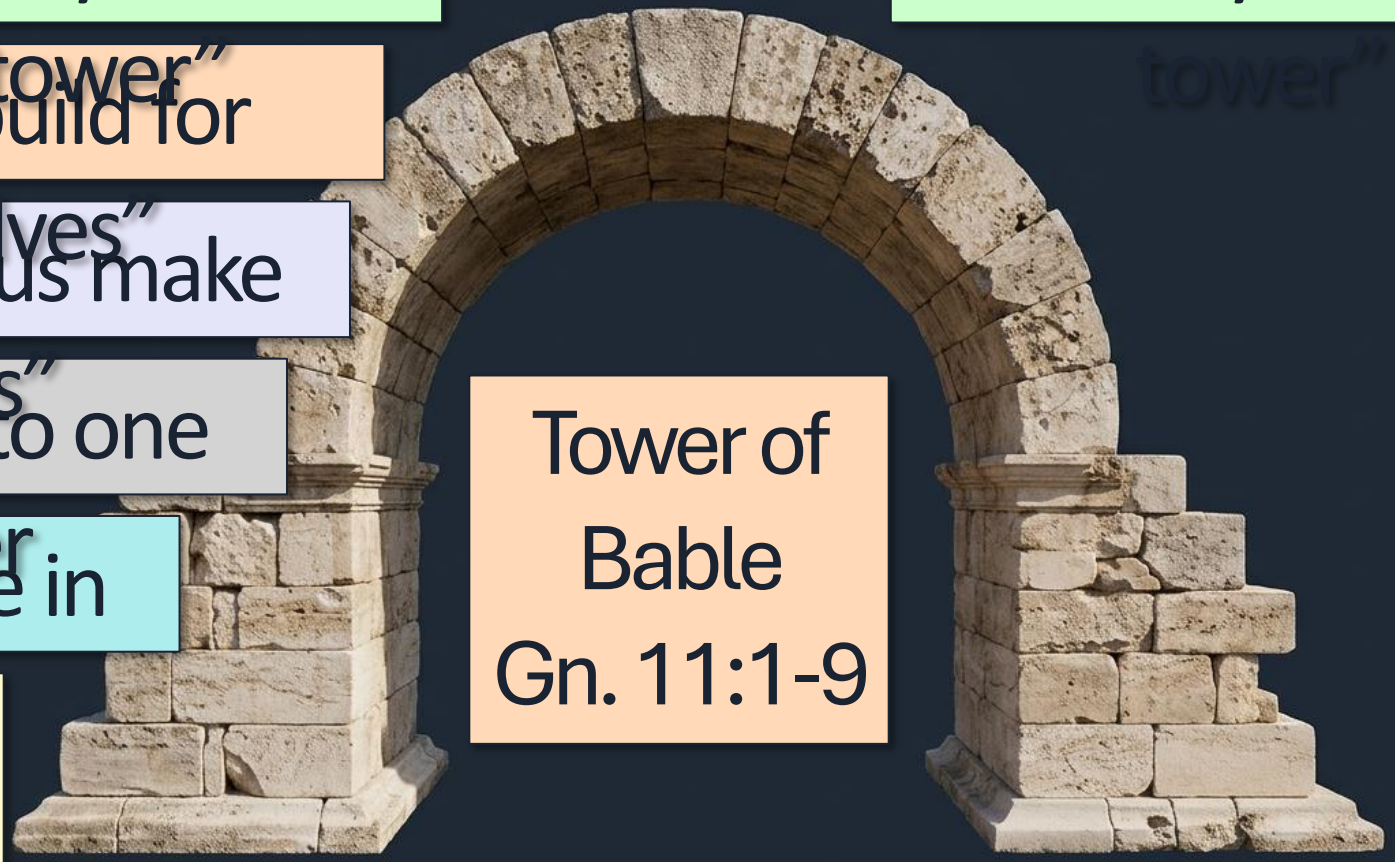
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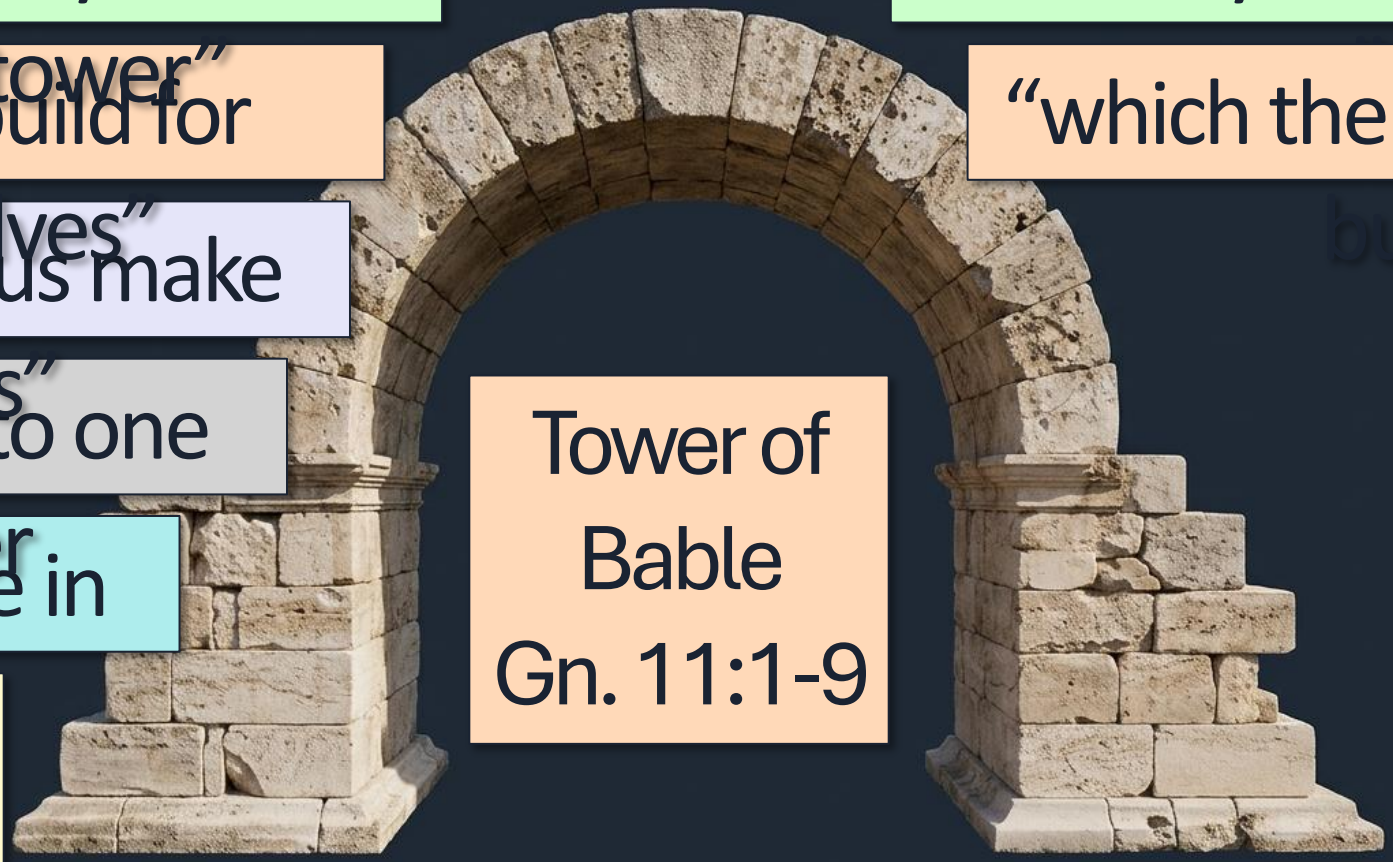
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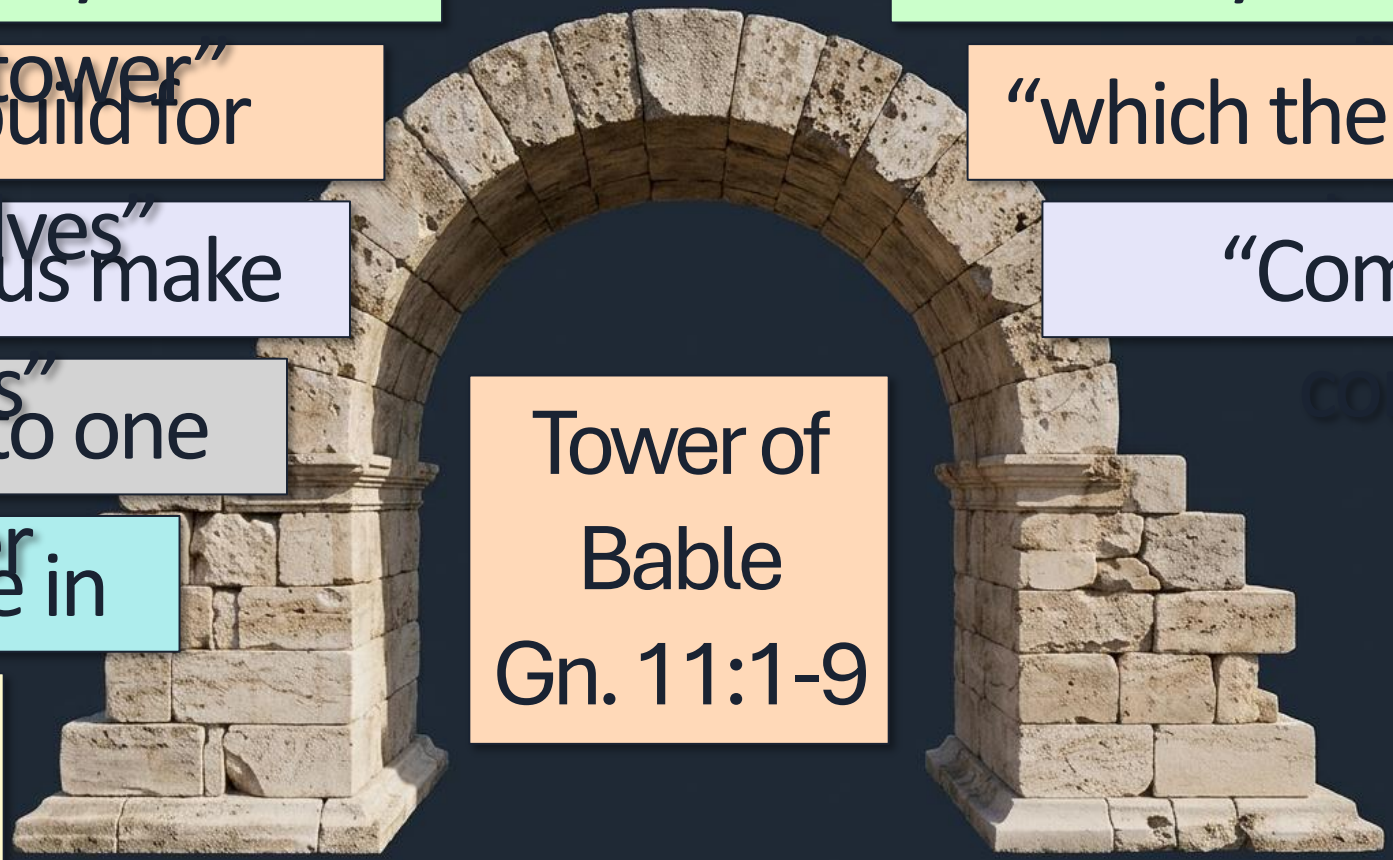
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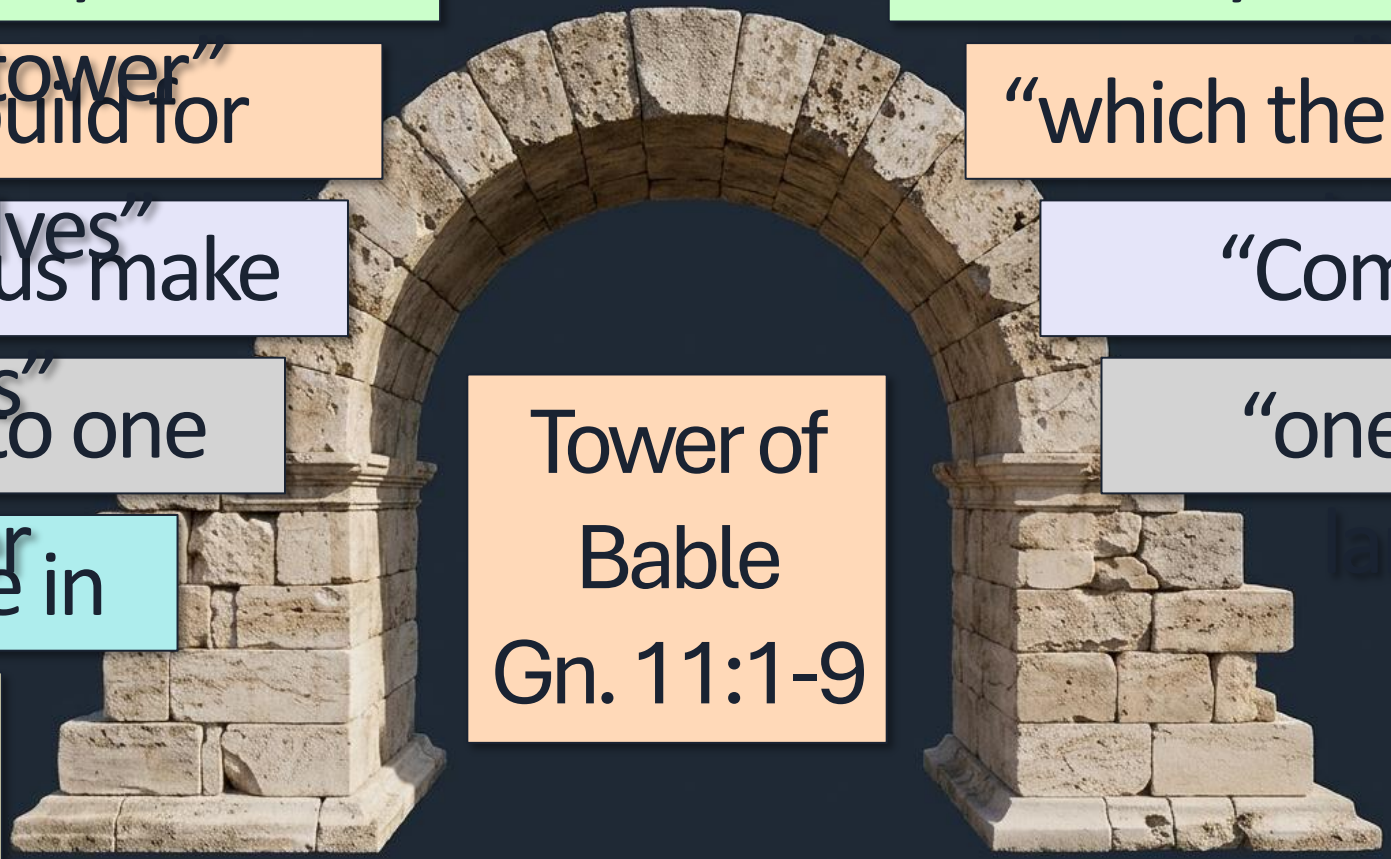
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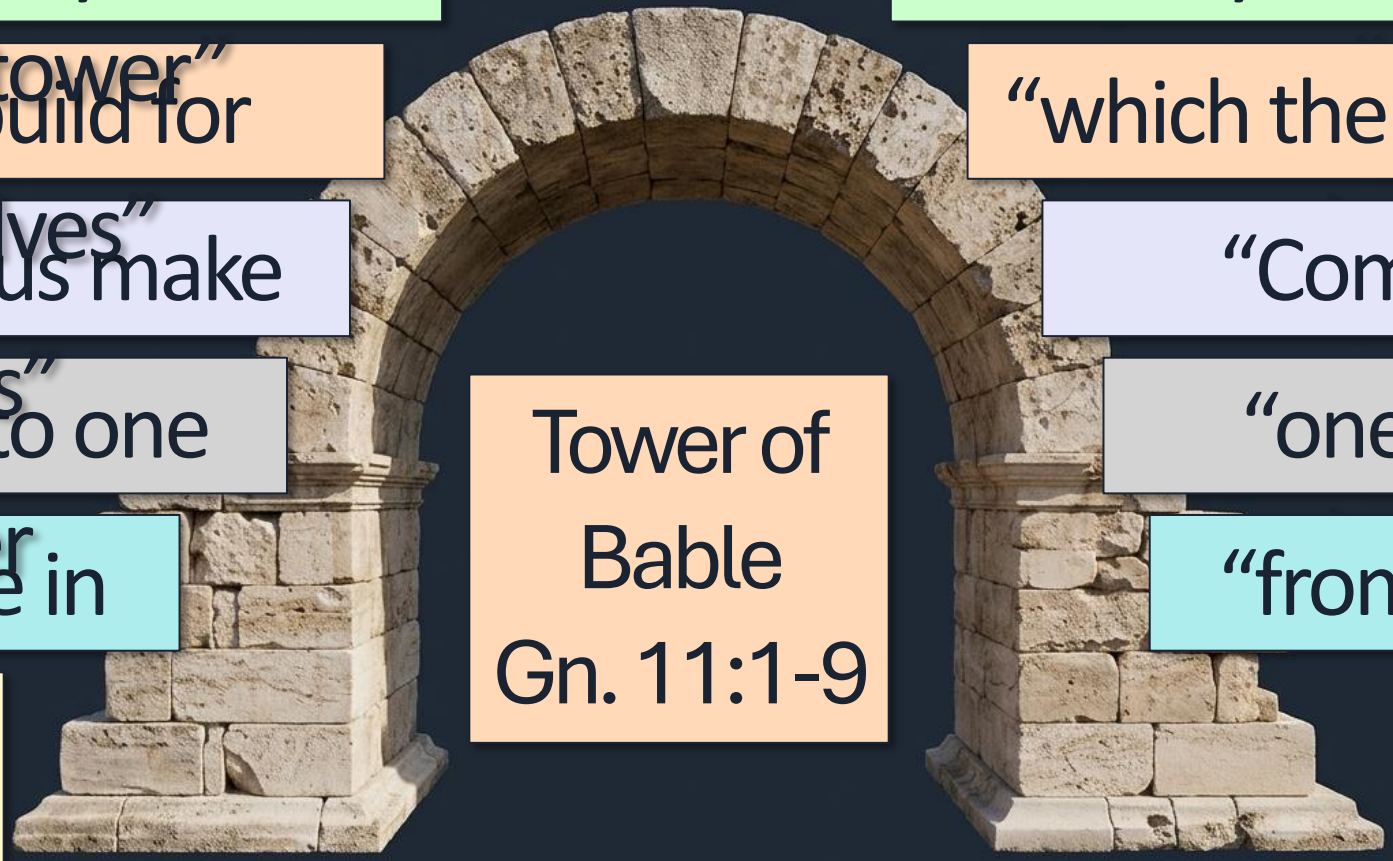
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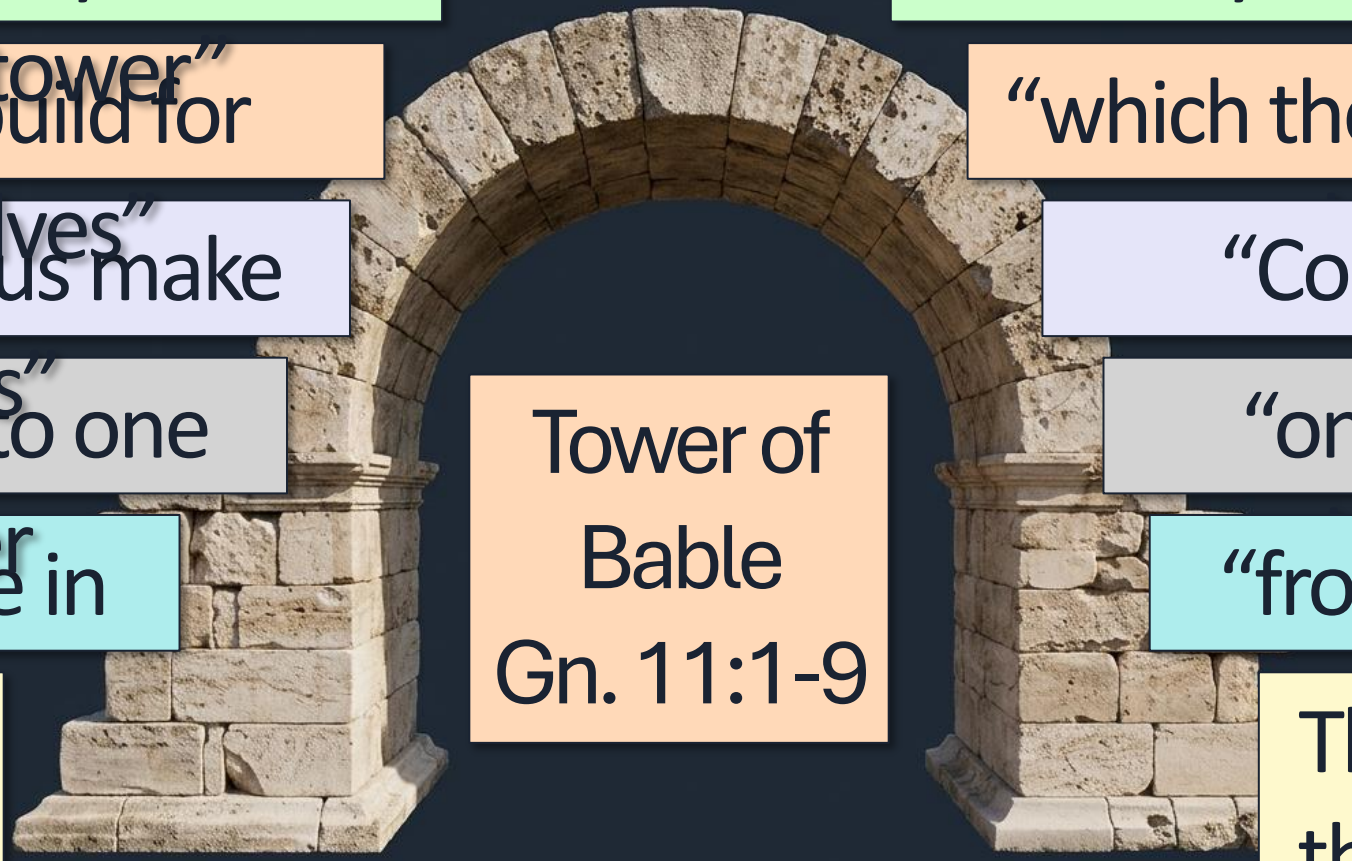
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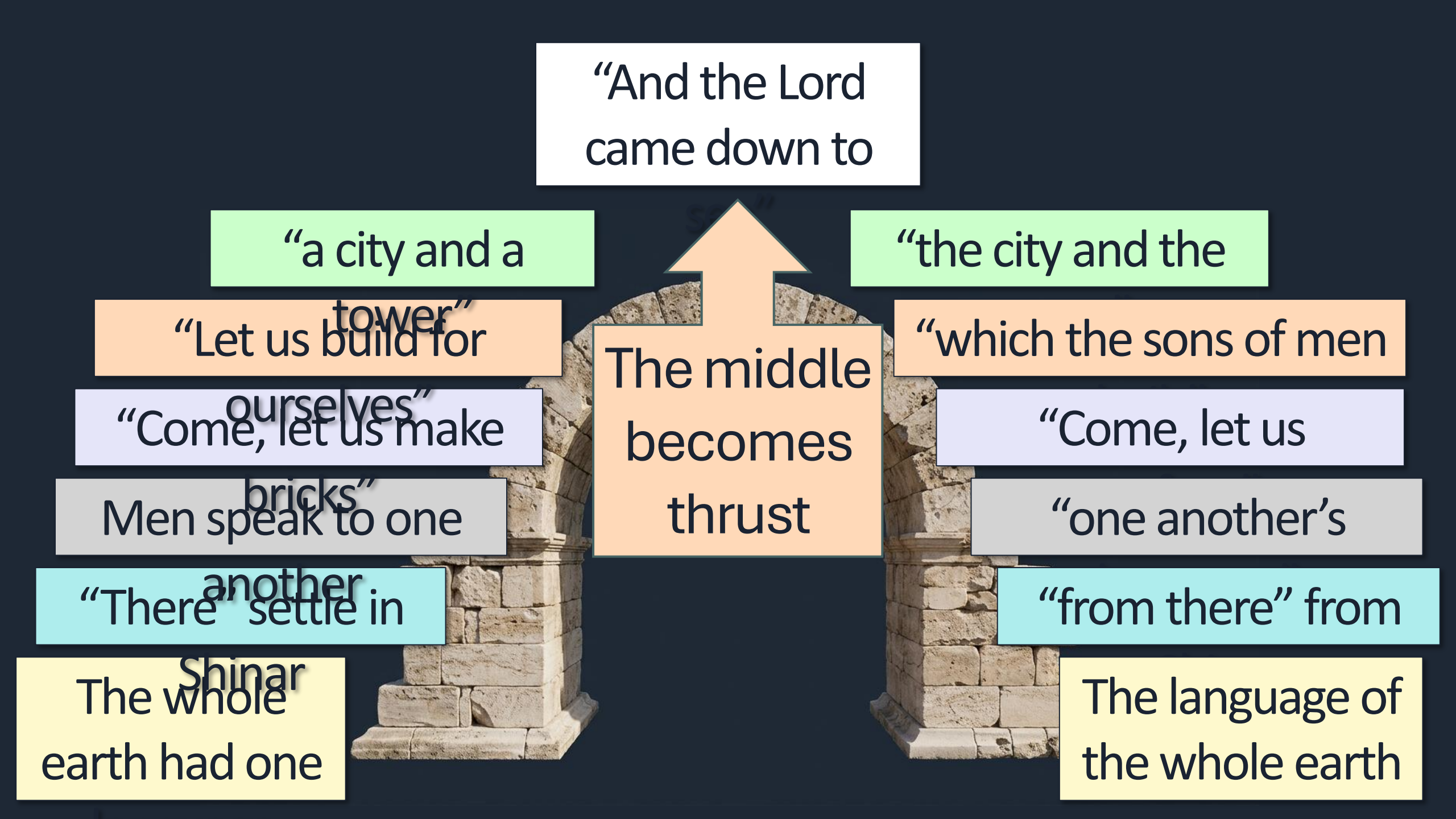
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Rom. 11:34

“For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?”

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τίς γὰρ ἔγνω νοῦν κυρίου; ἢ τίς σύμβουλος αὐτοῦ ἐγένετο;

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Rom. 11:36

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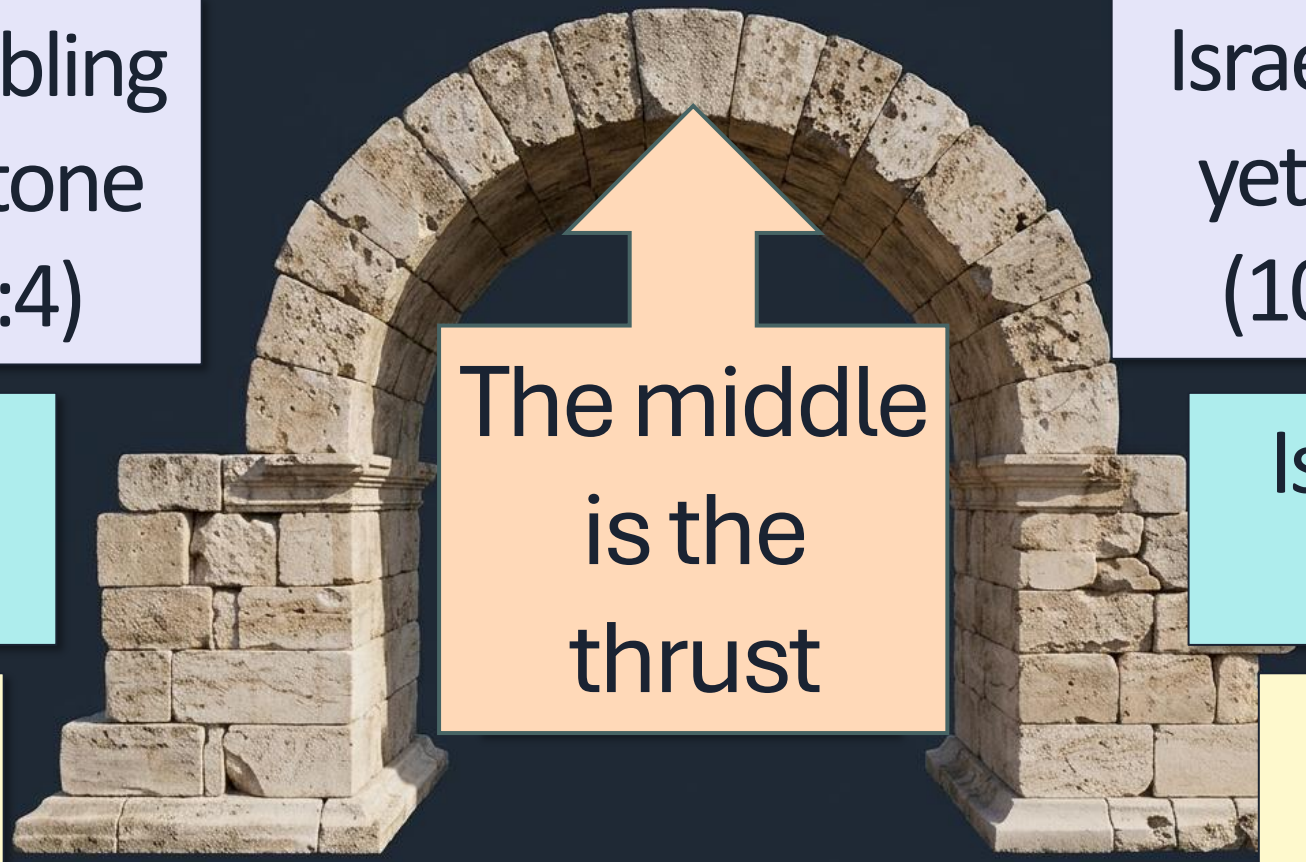
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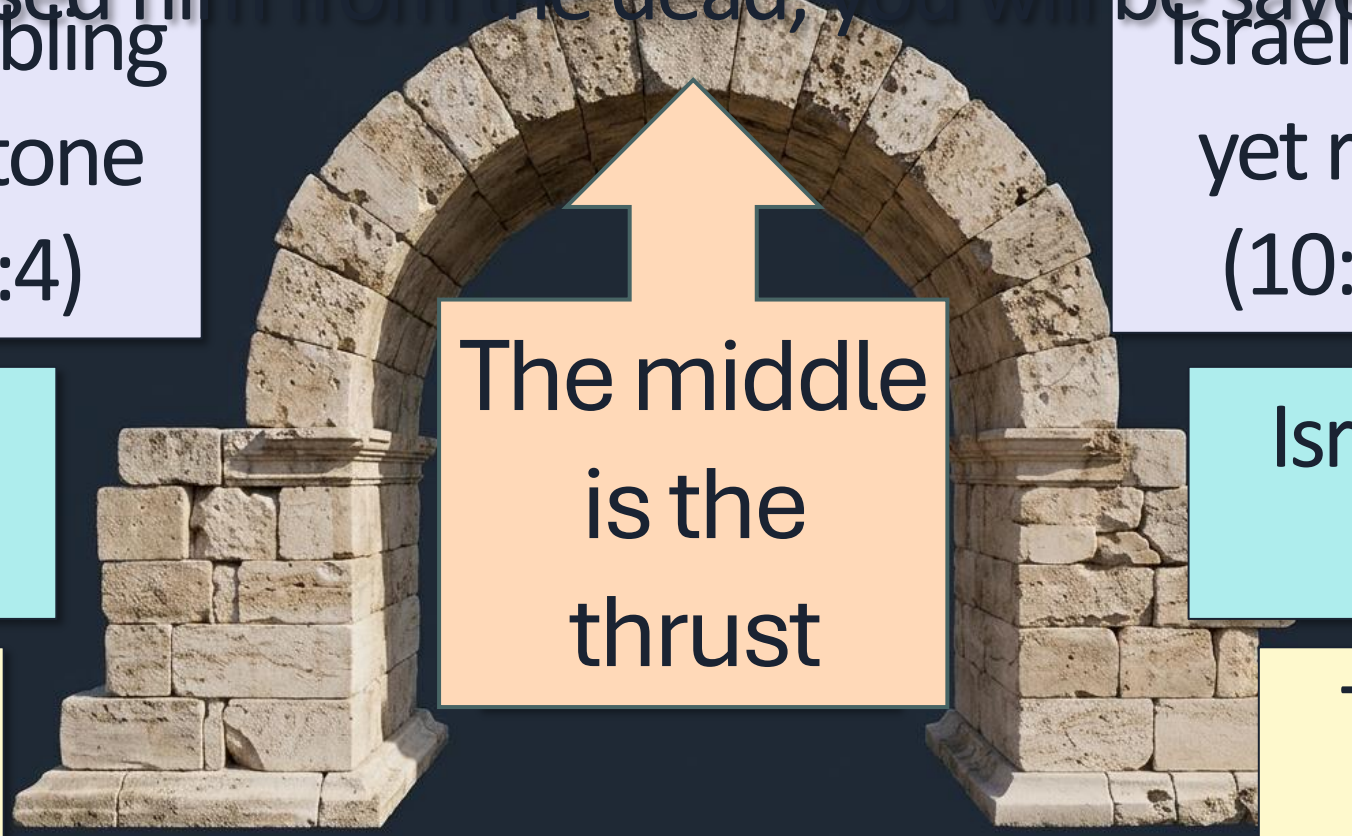
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Chiasm-hunting is a scholars' sport with referees



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The Arch: the Shape of Romans 9-11



The Creed at the Crown (10:9-10)



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Isthmus
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Who put that there?

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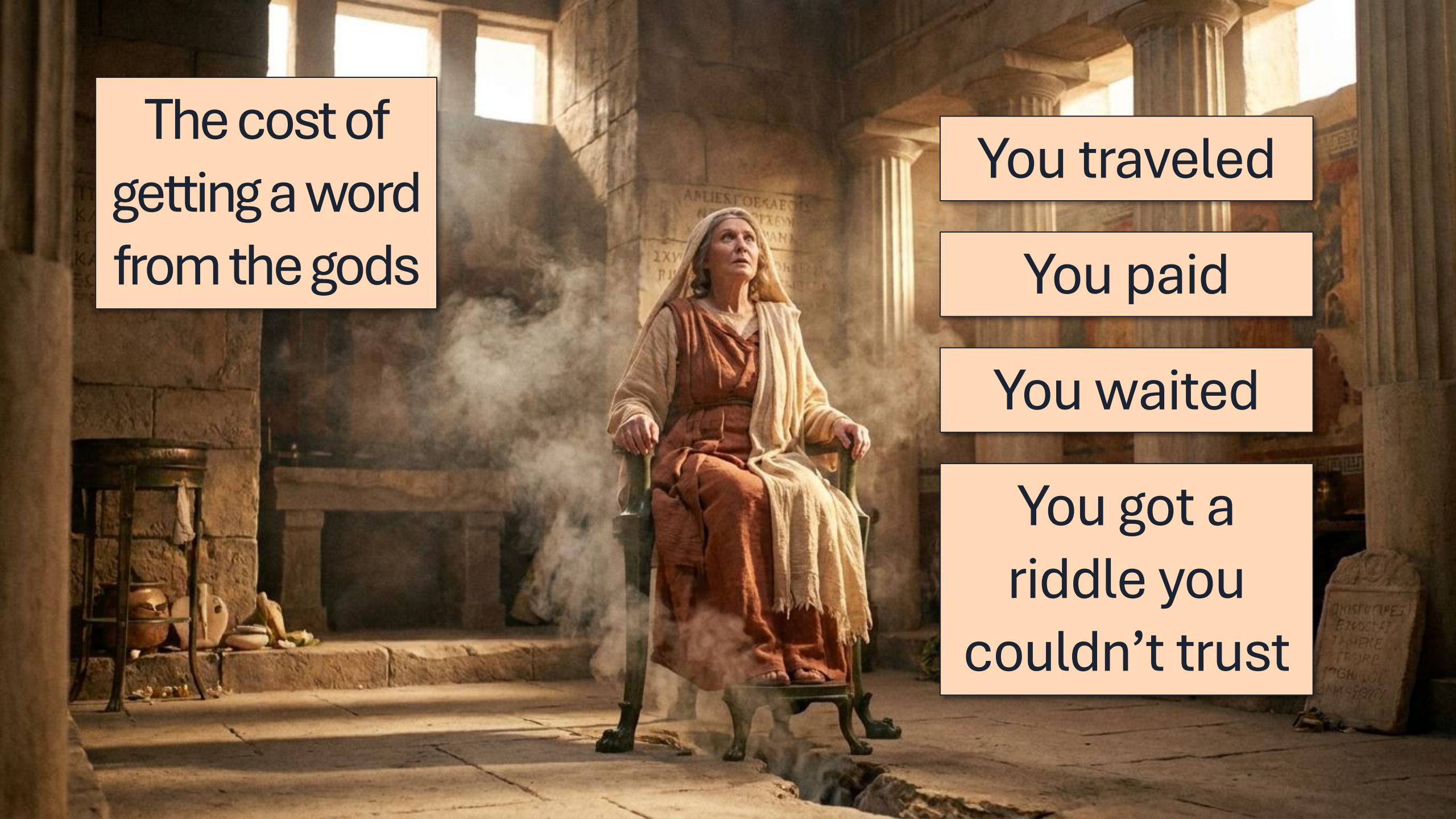
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Consumer test
of the gods


The cost of getting a word from the gods
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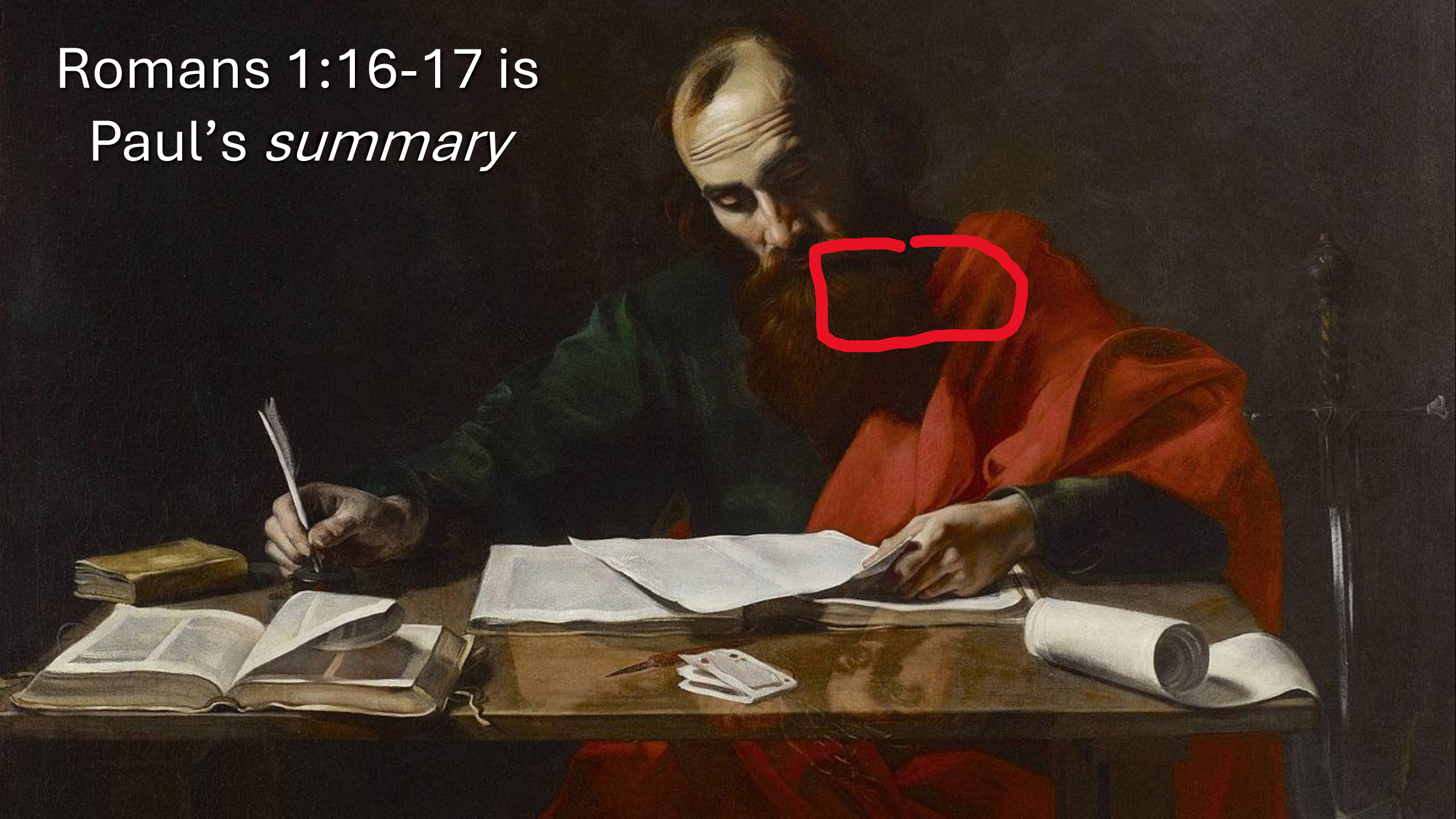
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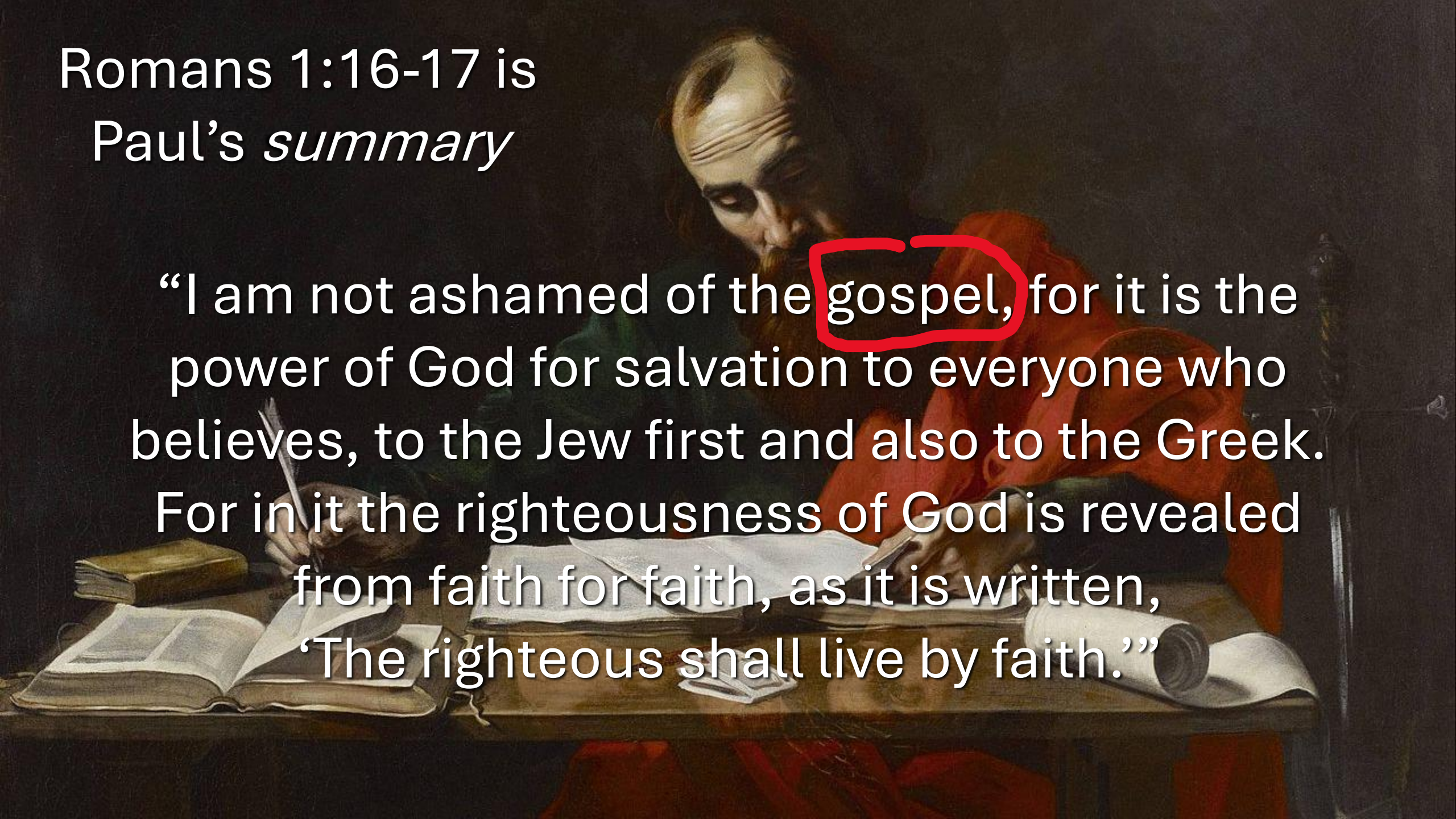
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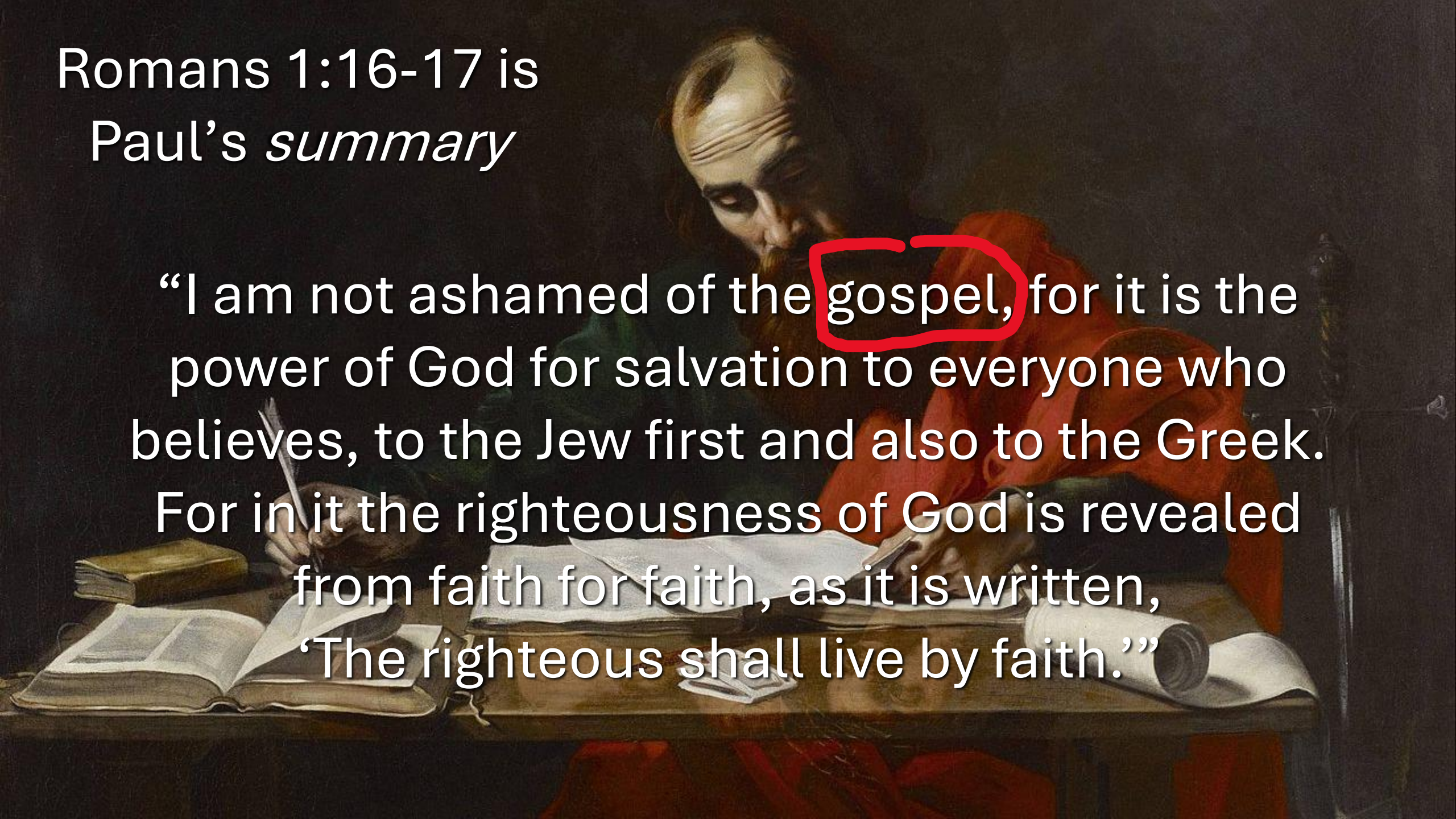
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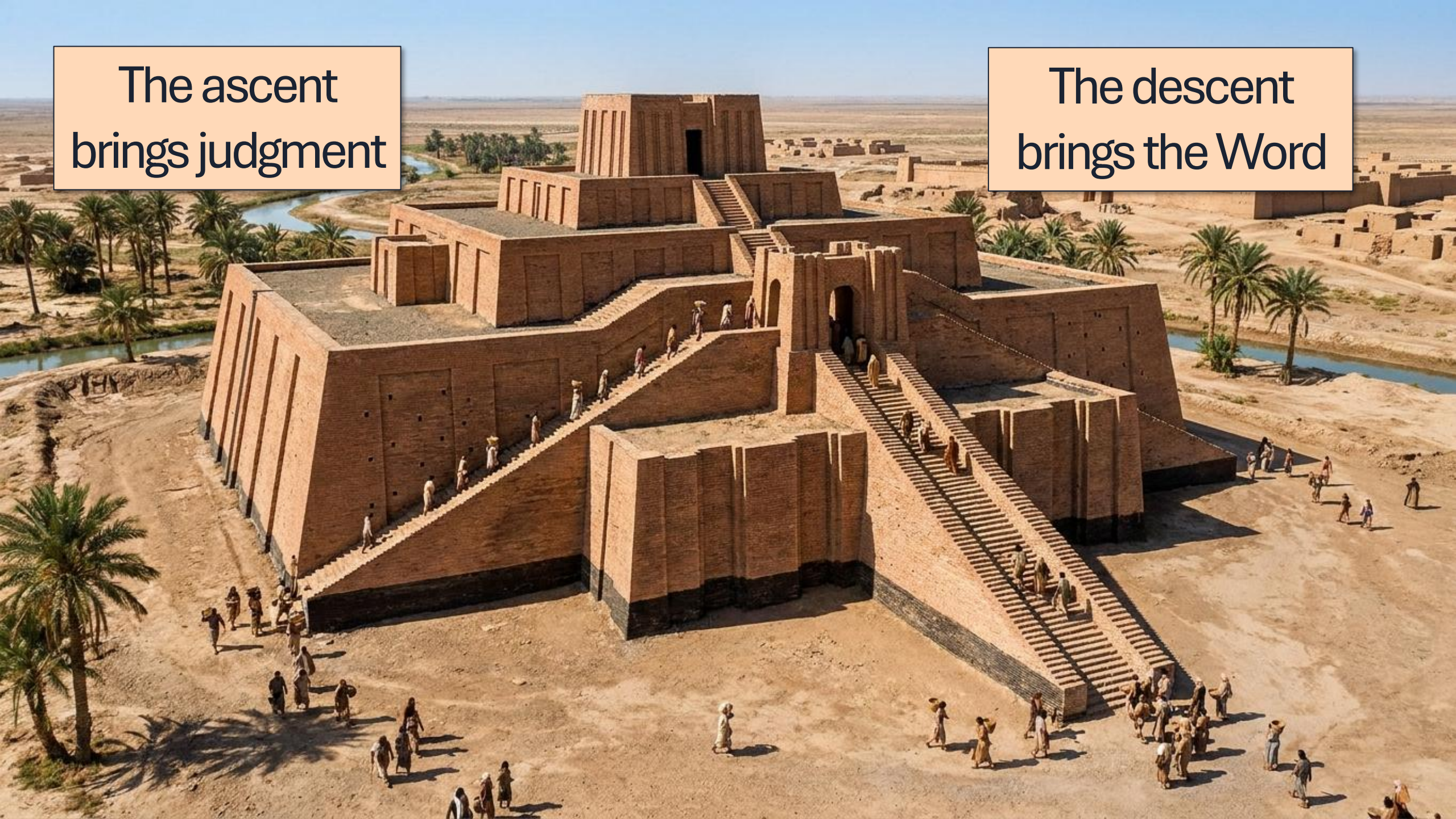
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The ascent
brings judgment


The ascent brings judgment
The descent brings the Word



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Romans

