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PAUL'S FIRST LETTER TO
Timothy


1 Timothy 3:14-15


BIZARRE TRADITIONS
IN
CHURCH HISTORY

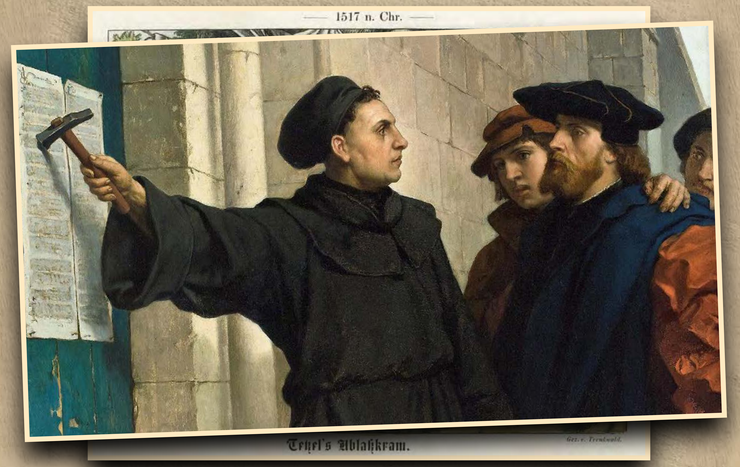
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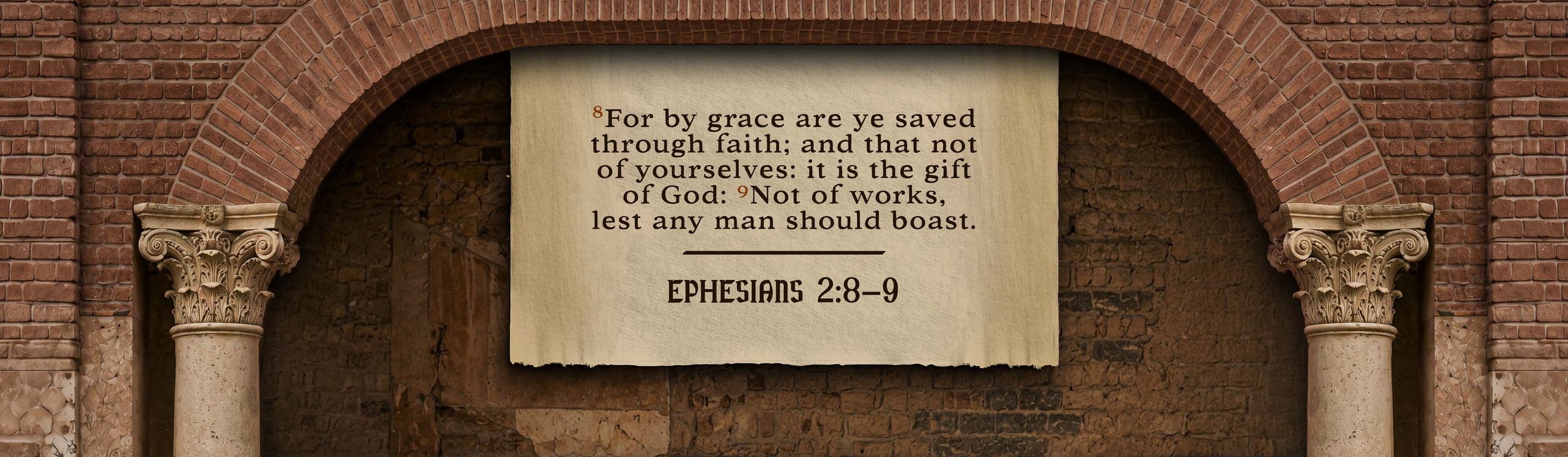
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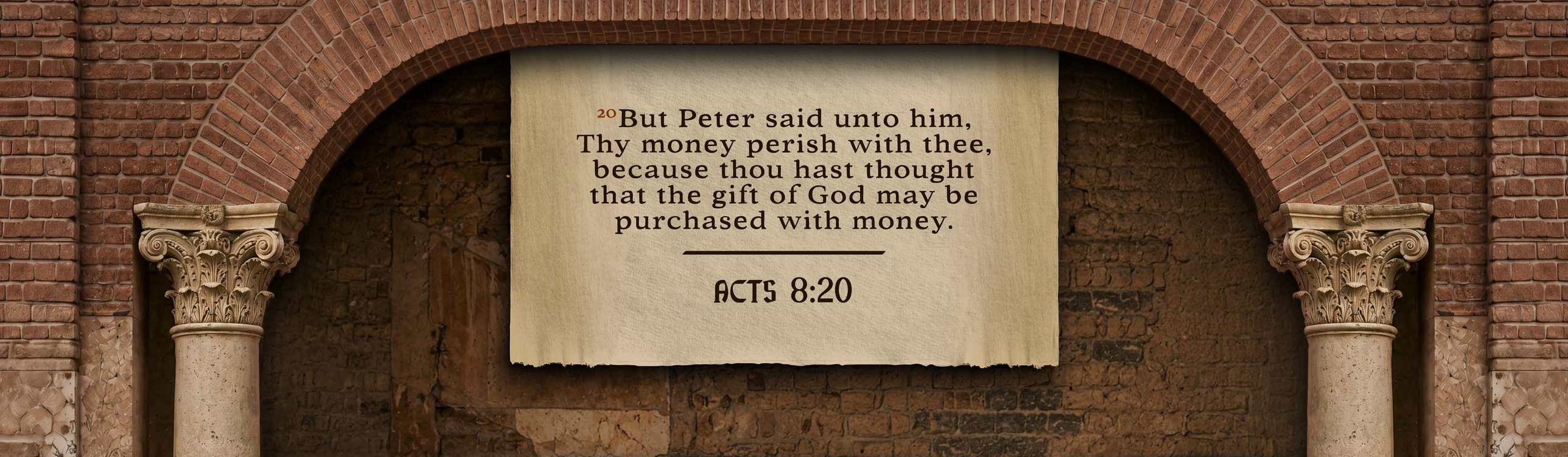


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MARTIN LUTHER'S NINETY-FIVE THESES




8For by grace are ye saved
through faith; and that not
of yourselves: it is the gift
of God: 9Not of works,
lest any man should boast.
EPHESIANS 2:8–9


20 But Peter said unto him,
Thy money perish with thee,
because thou hast thought
that the gift of God may be
purchased with money.
ACTS 8:20

THE PILLAR SAINTS

LIVING ON POLES TO DEMONSTRATE HOLINESS



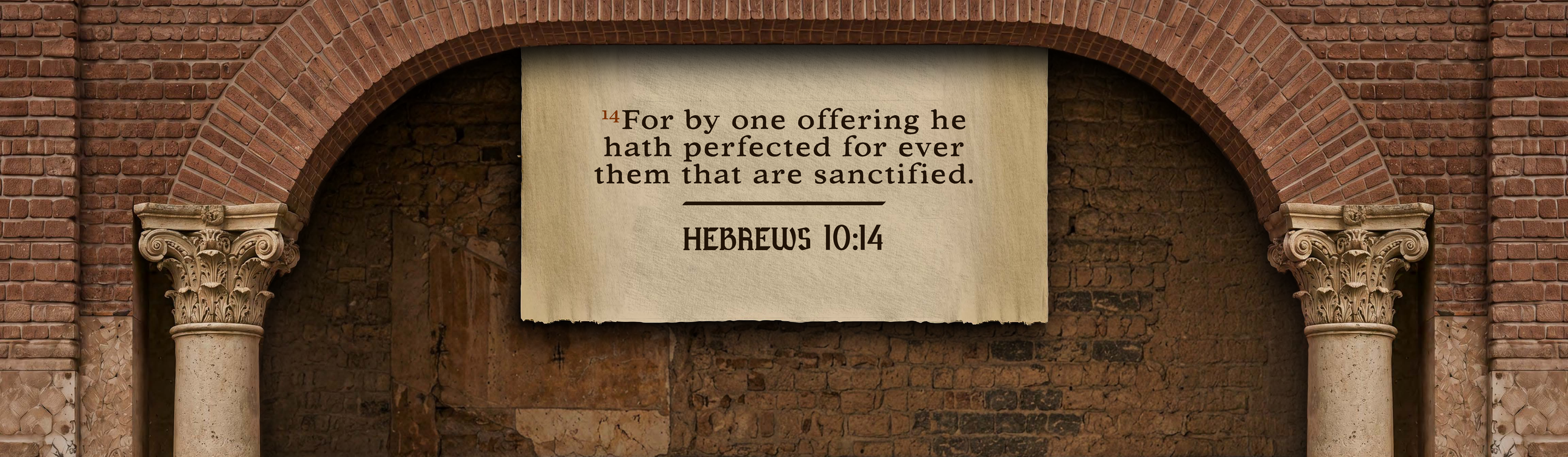
[23]Which things have indeed a
shew of wisdom in will worship,
and humility, and neglecting of
the body; not in any honour to
the satisfying of the flesh.

COLOSSIANS 2:23

THE FLAGELLANTS

WHIPPING THEMSELVES TO DEMONSTRATE REPENTANCE




14For by one offering he
hath perfected for ever
them that are sanctified.
HEBREWS 10:14

THE RELIC TRADE

SACRED BONES AND SUPPOSEDLY HOLY OBJECTS





THE CADAVER SYNOD

PUTTING A DEAD POPE ON TRIAL



RENTING CHURCH PEWS

PAYING FOR THE BEST SEATS



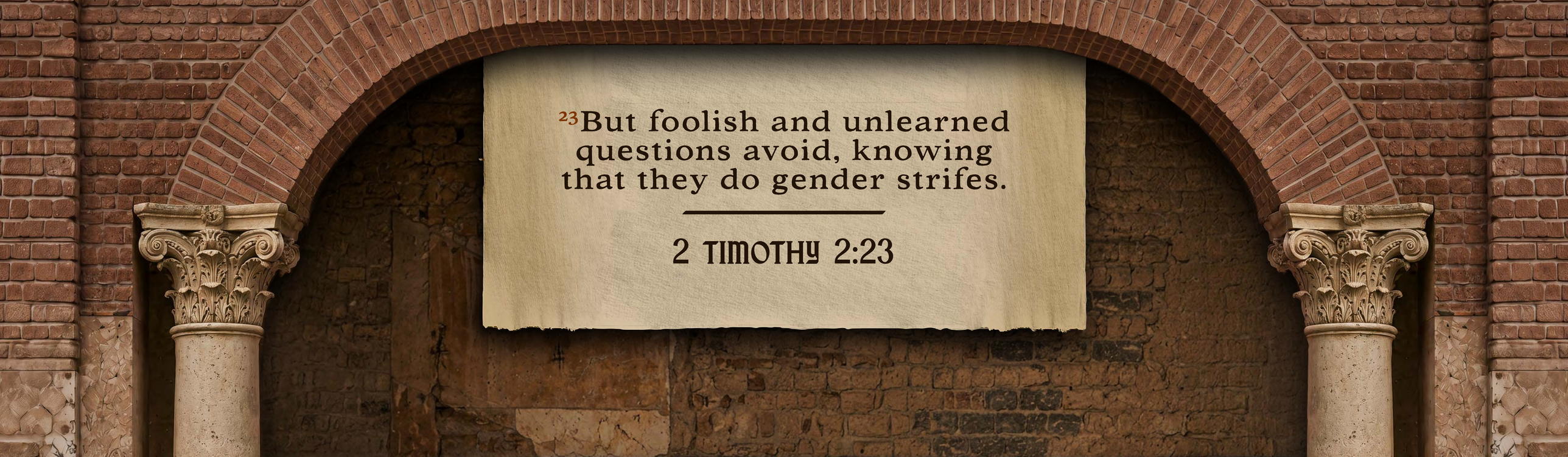
3 And ye have respect to him
that weareth the gay clothing,
and say unto him, Sit thou
here in a good place; and say
to the poor, Stand thou there,
or sit here under my footstool:
4 Are ye not then partial in
yourselves, and are become
judges of evil thoughts?

JAMES 2:3–4

PUTTING ANIMALS ON TRIAL

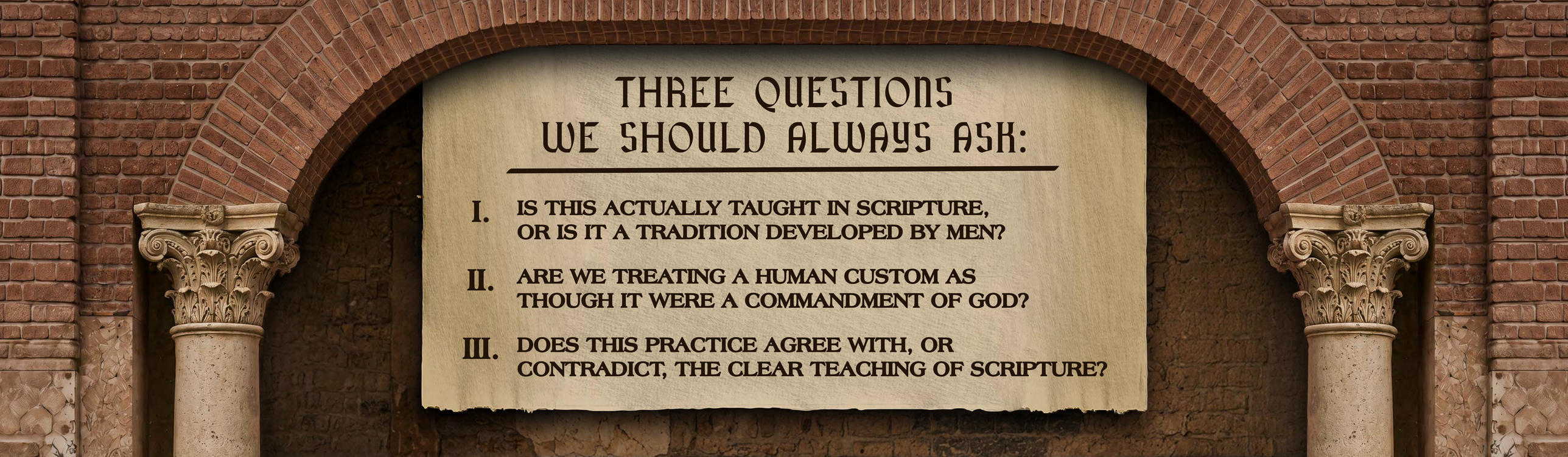
PROSECUTING RATS AND INSECTS




23But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.
2 TIMOTHY 2:23

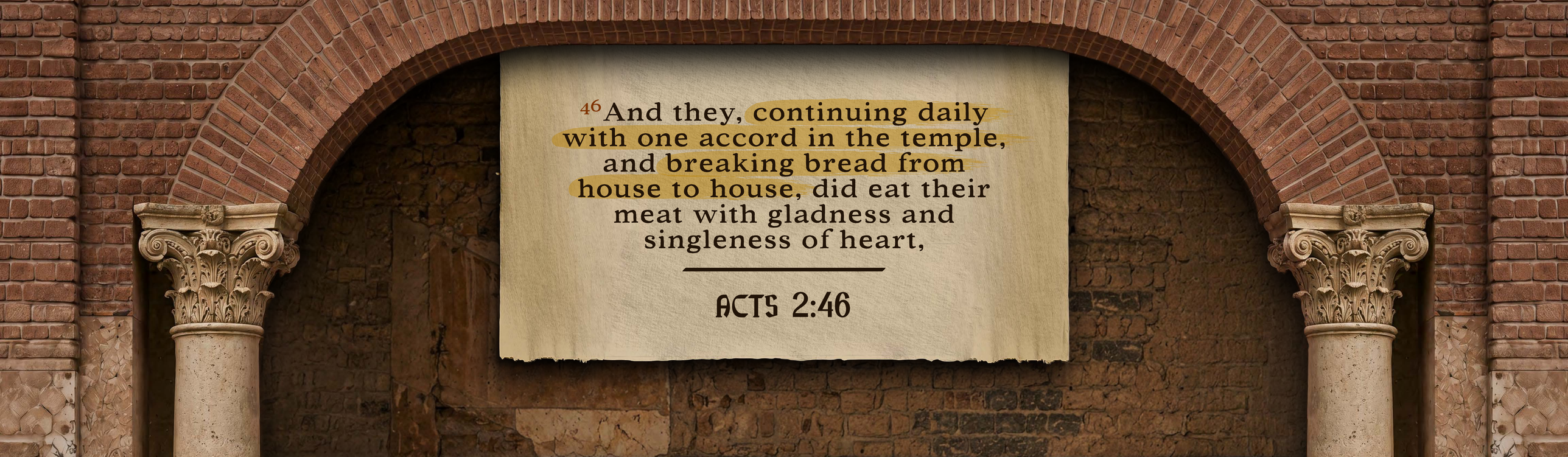
13 Making the word of God
of none effect through
your tradition, which ye
have delivered: and many
such like things do ye.

MARK 7:13


THREE QUESTIONS
WE SHOULD ALWAYS ASK:
I. IS THIS ACTUALLY TAUGHT IN SCRIPTURE, OR IS IT A TRADITION DEVELOPED BY MEN?
II. ARE WE TREATING A HUMAN CUSTOM AS THOUGH IT WERE A COMMANDMENT OF GOD?
III. DOES THIS PRACTICE AGREE WITH, OR CONTRADICT, THE CLEAR TEACHING OF SCRIPTURE?

42 And they continued stedfastly in
the apostles' doctrine and fellowship,
and in breaking of bread,
and in prayers.

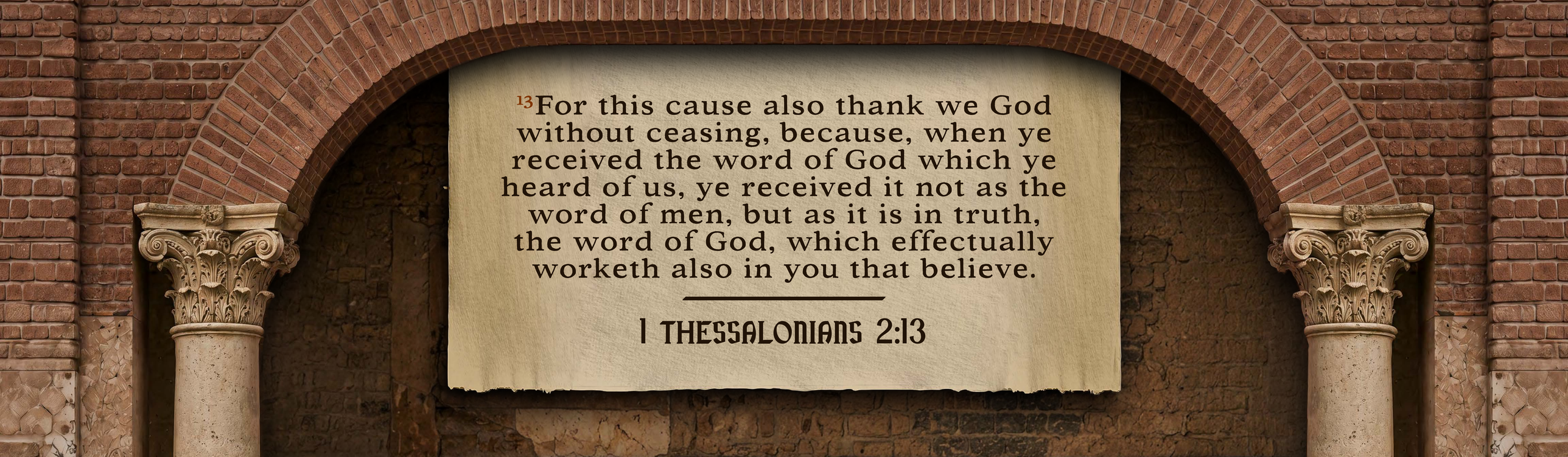
ACTS 2:42


46 And they, continuing daily
with one accord in the temple,
and breaking bread from
house to house, did eat their
meat with gladness and
singleness of heart,
ACTS 2:46


I
READY
BUT NOT RELIGIOUS

7He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

REVELATION 2:7


13For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.
1 THESSALONIANS 2:13


ZECHARIAH 7:3-11

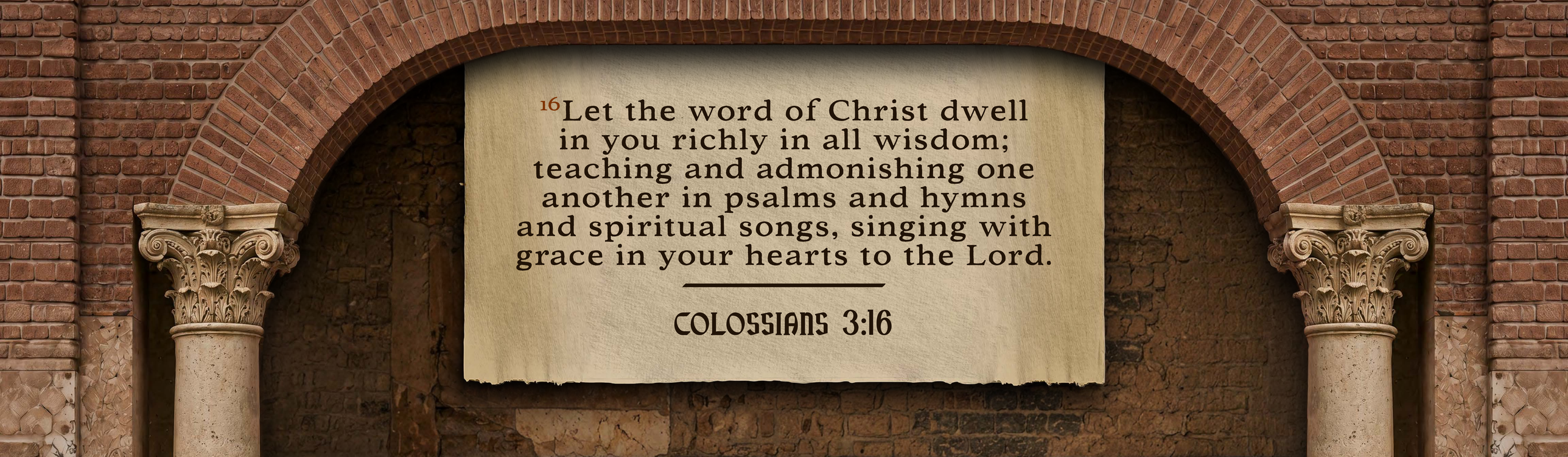
7 Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias
prophesy of you, saying, 8 This
people draweth nigh unto me with
their mouth, and honoureth me
with their lips; but their heart is
far from me. 9 But in vain they do
worship me, teaching for doctrines
the commandments of men.

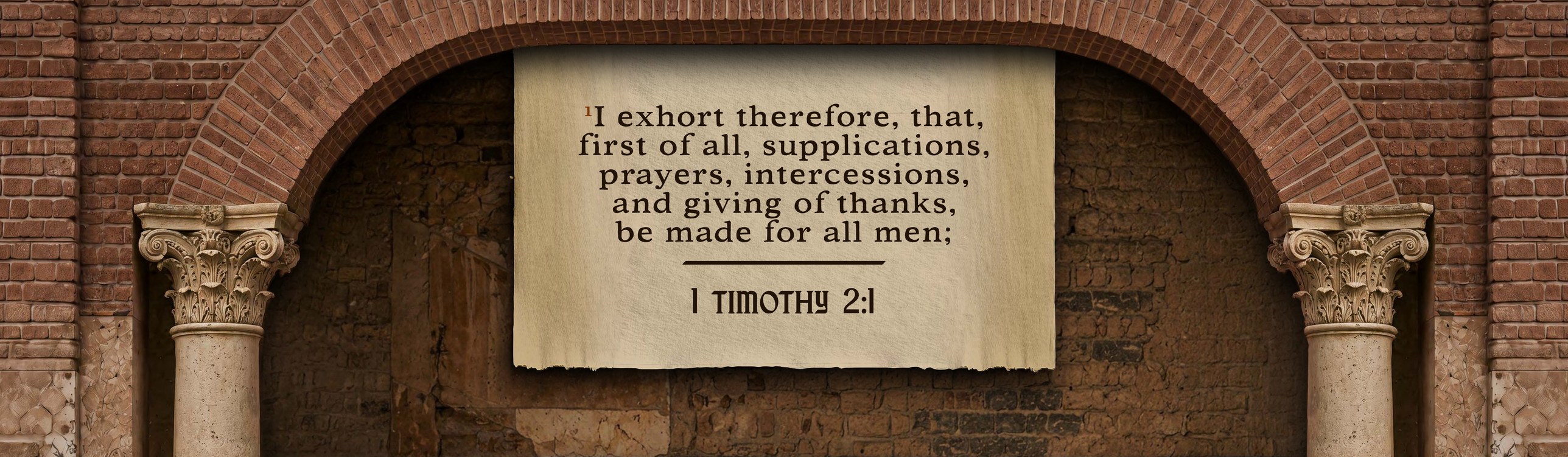
MATTHEW 15:7-9

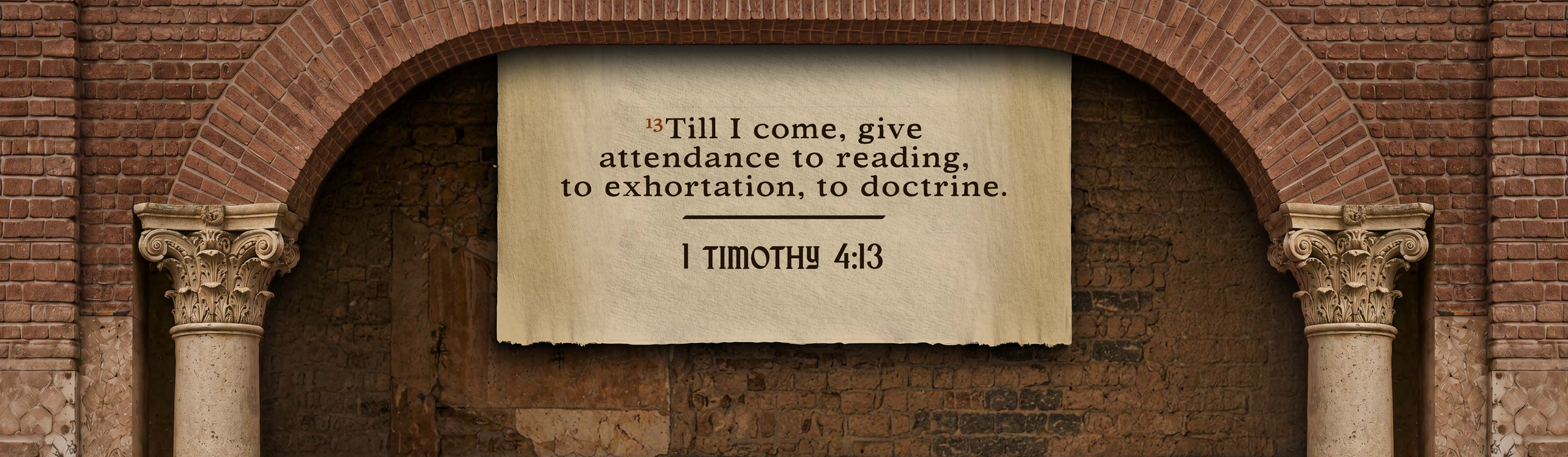

II
SPEAKING
YET QUIET

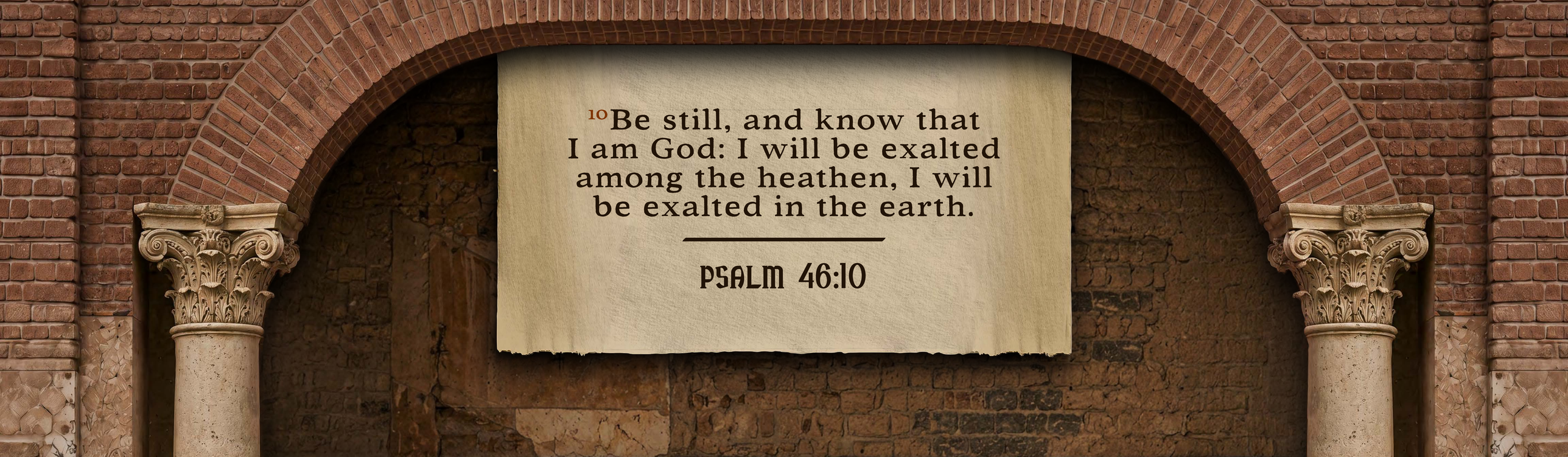
19 Speaking to yourselves
in psalms and hymns and
spiritual songs, singing
and making melody in
your heart to the Lord;

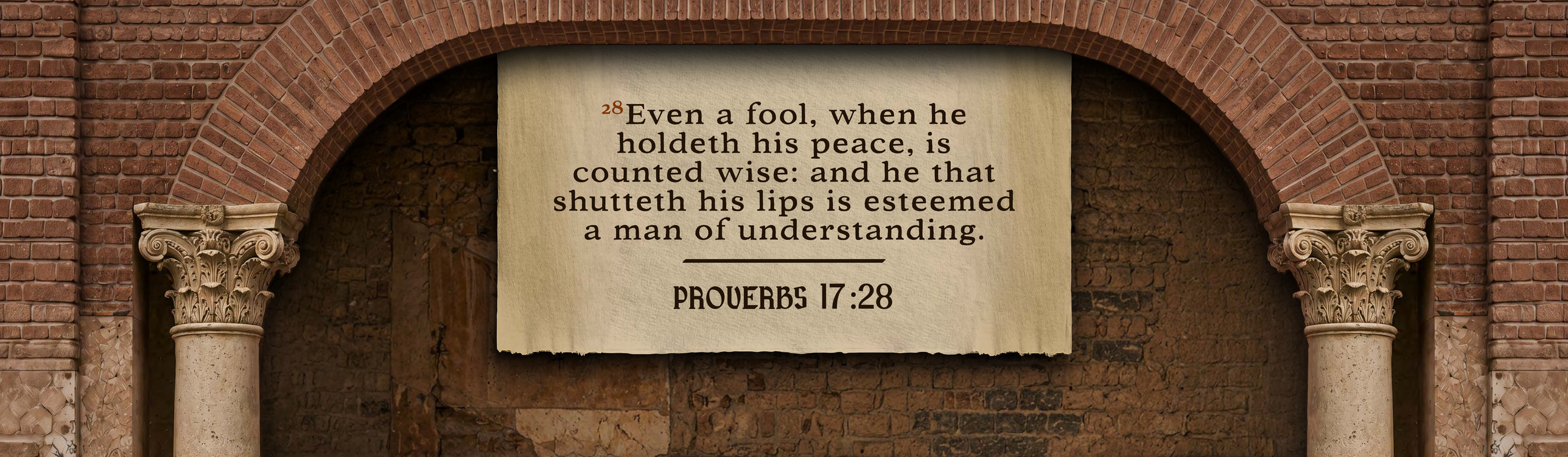
EPHESIANS 5:19


16 Let the word of Christ dwell
in you richly in all wisdom;
teaching and admonishing one
another in psalms and hymns
and spiritual songs, singing with
grace in your hearts to the Lord.
COLOSSIANS 3:16


1 I exhort therefore, that,
first of all, supplications,
prayers, intercessions,
and giving of thanks,
be made for all men;
1 TIMOTHY 2:1


13 Till I come, give
attendance to reading,
to exhortation, to doctrine.
1 TIMOTHY 4:13

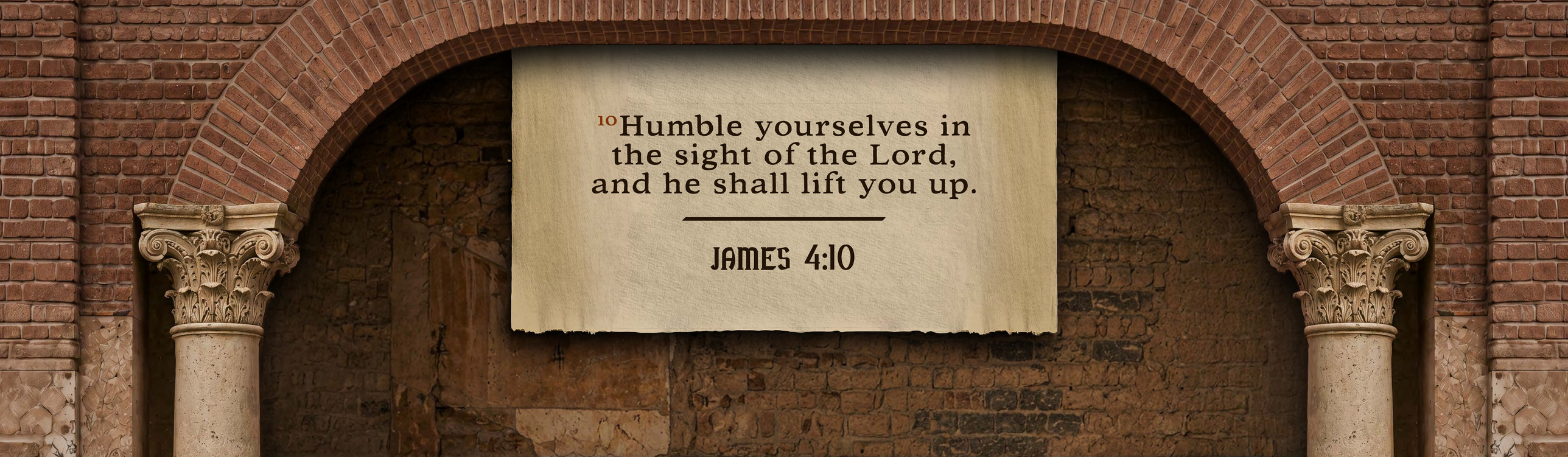

10 Be still, and know that
I am God: I will be exalted
among the heathen, I will
be exalted in the earth.
PSALM 46:10


28 Even a fool, when he holdeth his peace, is counted wise: and he that shutteth his lips is esteemed a man of understanding.
PROVERBS 17:28

11 And that ye study to be quiet,
and to do your own business,
and to work with your own
hands, as we commanded you;

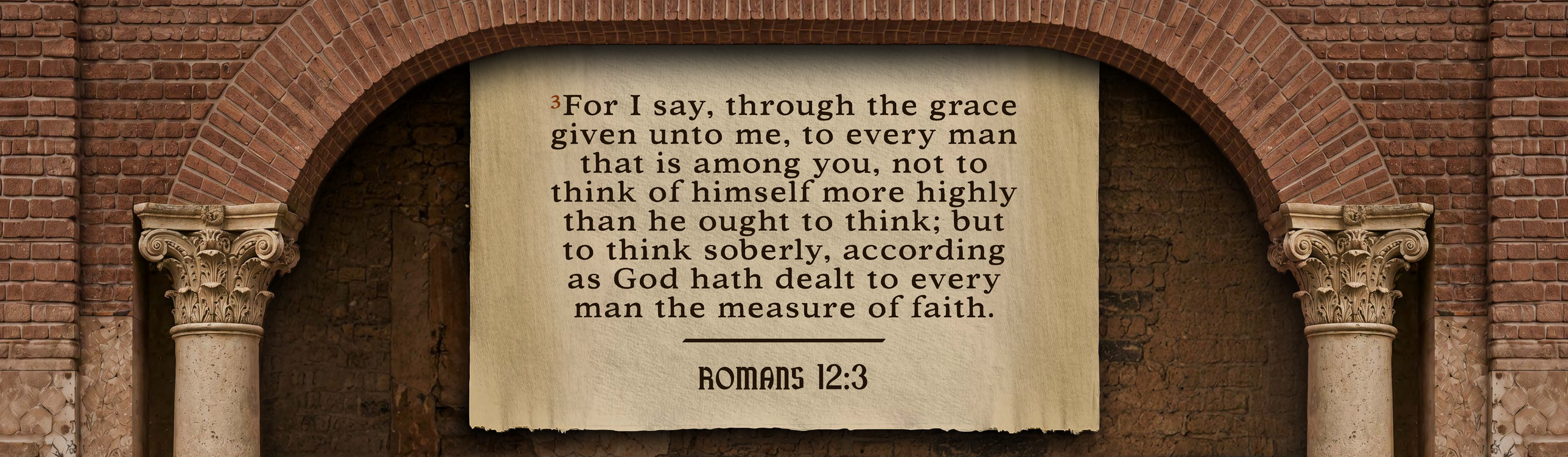
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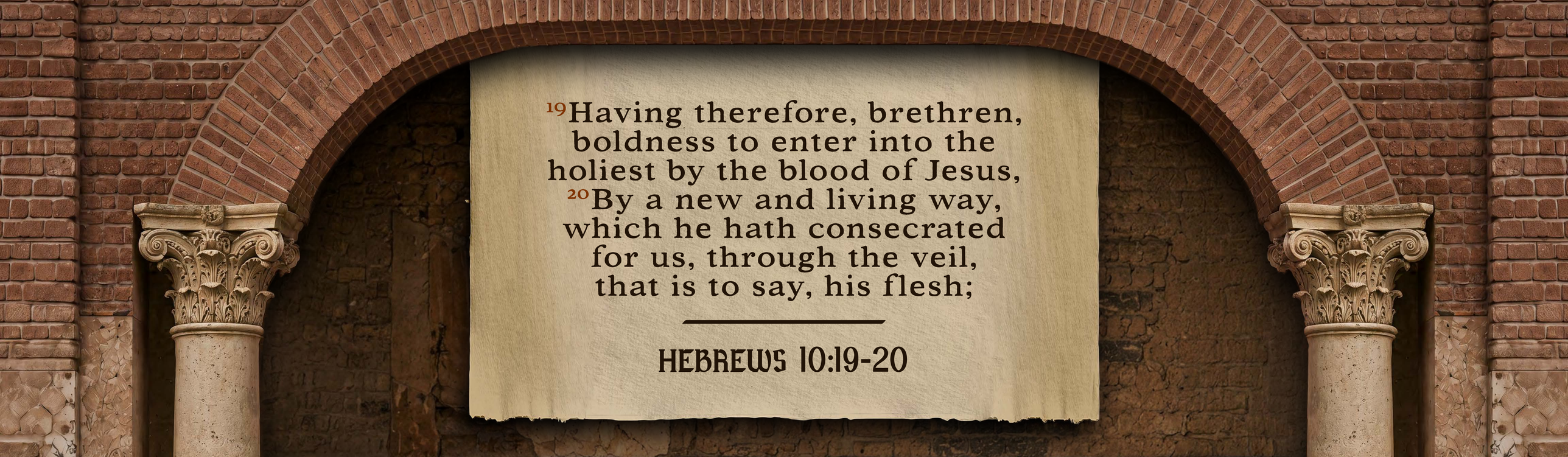

III
HUMBLY
YET BOLDLY

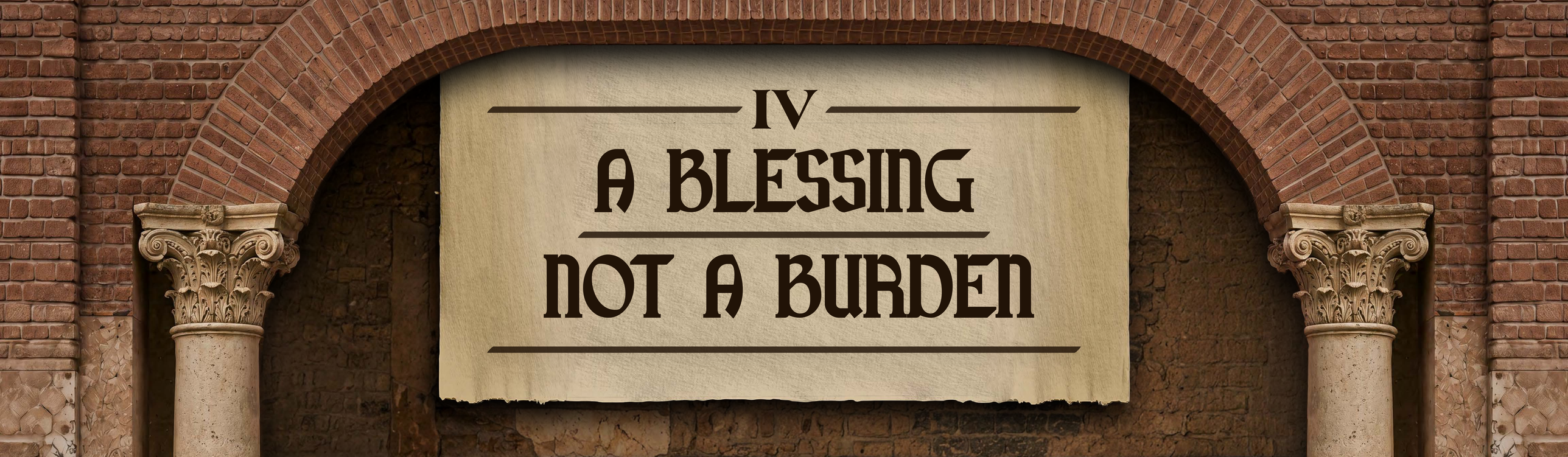

10 Humble yourselves in
the sight of the Lord,
and he shall lift you up.
JAMES 4:10

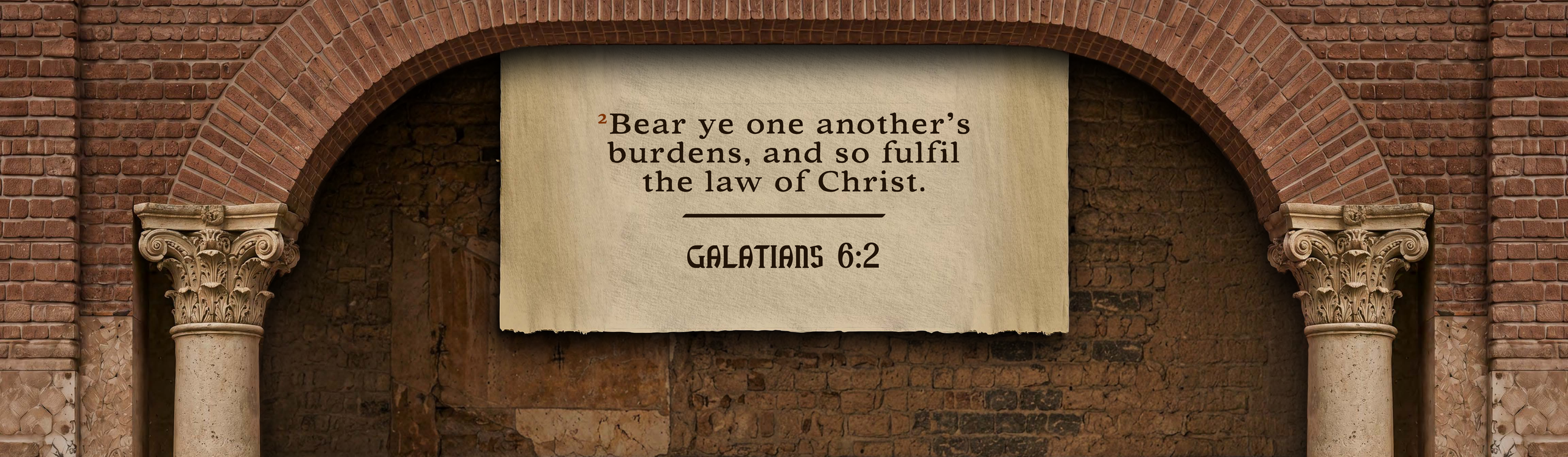
[3]Let nothing be done through strife
or vainglory; but in lowliness of
mind let each esteem other better
than themselves. [4]Look not every
man on his own things, but every
man also on the things of others.

PHILIPPIANS 2:3-4


3For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.
ROMANS 12:3

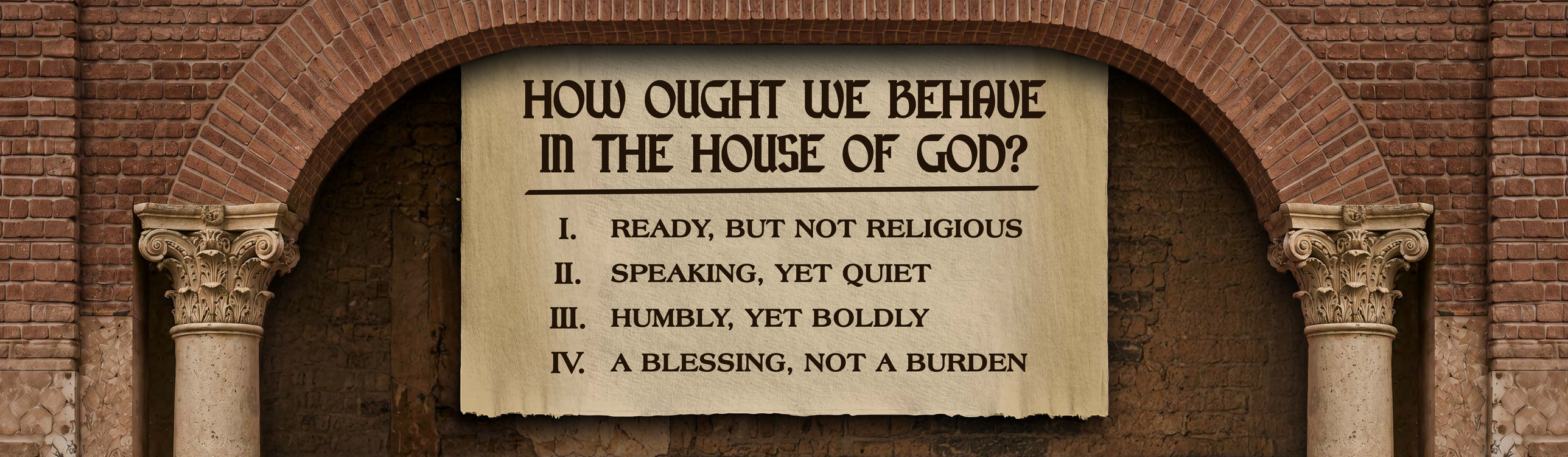

19 Having therefore, brethren,
boldness to enter into the
holiest by the blood of Jesus,
20 By a new and living way,
which he hath consecrated
for us, through the veil,
that is to say, his flesh;
HEBREWS 10:19-20


IV
A BLESSING
NOT A BURDEN


2Bear ye one another's
burdens, and so fulfil
the law of Christ.
GALATIANS 6:2

35 I have shewed you all things, how
that so labouring ye ought to support
the weak, and to remember the
words of the Lord Jesus, how he said,
It is more blessed to give than to receive.

ACTS 20:35


HOW OUGHT WE BEHAVE
IN THE HOUSE OF GOD?
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