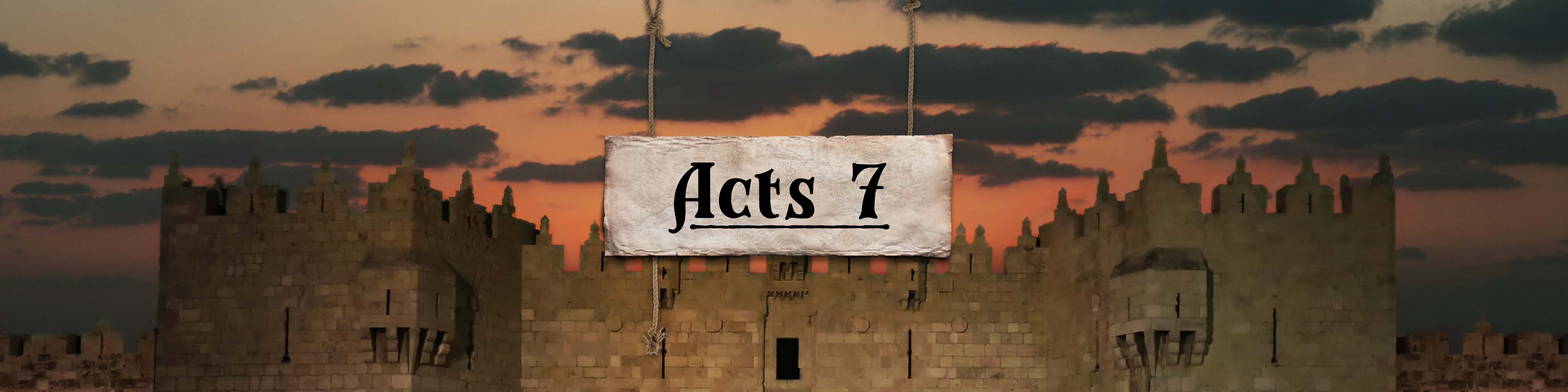
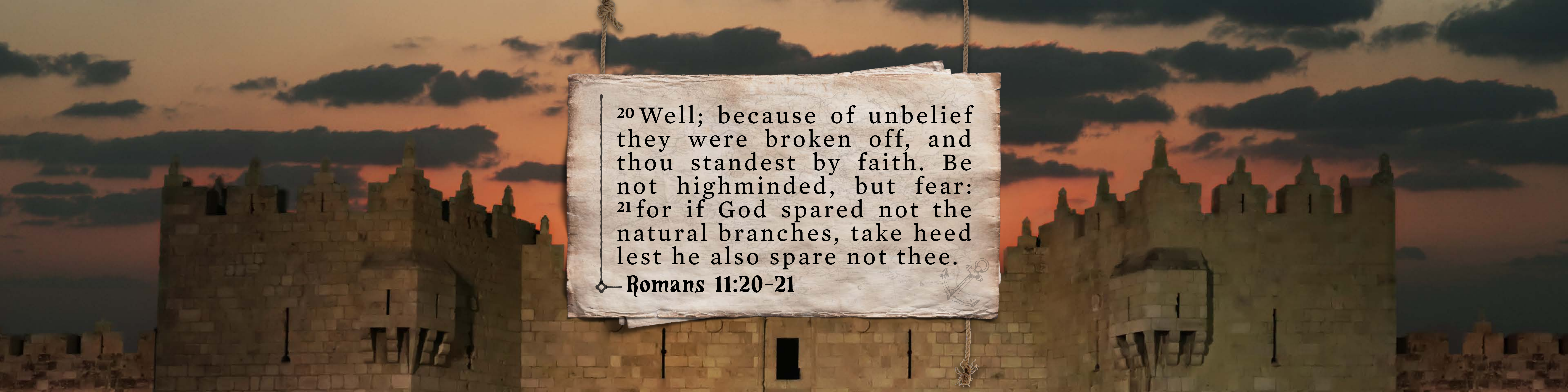




A wide-angle photograph of a stone castle with multiple towers and battlements. The castle is constructed from light-colored stone blocks. The sky is a deep orange and red, indicating sunset or sunrise, with dark, silhouetted clouds. A rectangular, aged parchment sign is suspended in the center of the frame by two ropes. The sign has a slightly textured, weathered appearance. The text 'Acts 7' is written on the sign in a large, black, serif font. The 'A' is particularly large and stylized, with a long horizontal stroke that extends to the left. The '7' is also large and has a distinct shape. The overall mood is dramatic and historical.

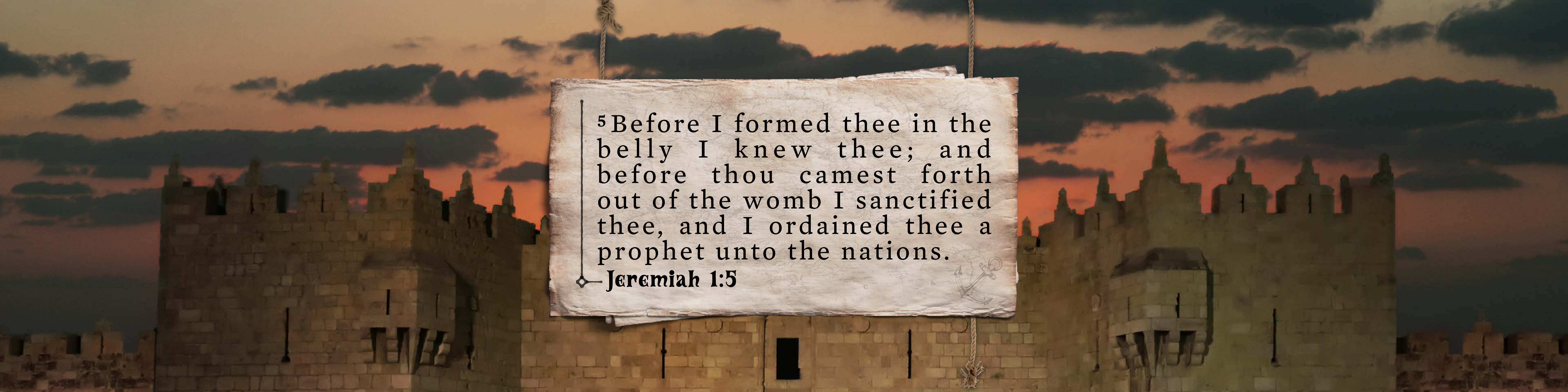
Acts 7



20 Well; because of unbelief
they were broken off, and
thou standest by faith. Be
not highminded, but fear:
21 for if God spared not the
natural branches, take heed
lest he also spare not thee.

— Romans 11:20-21

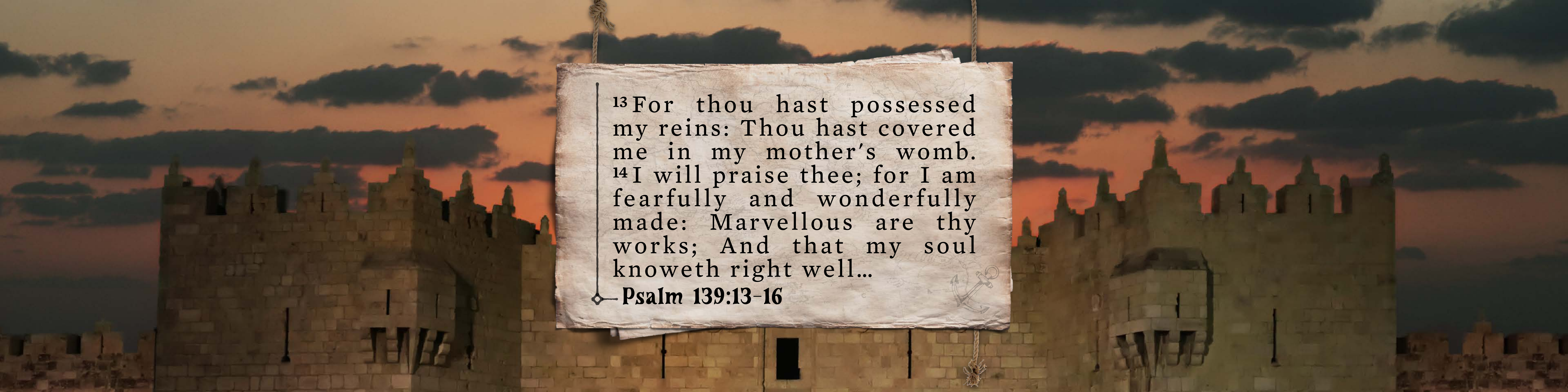


A parchment scroll with text, hanging from ropes against a background of a stone castle at sunset. The scroll is rectangular with slightly irregular edges, suggesting it is old. It is held up by two ropes, one on the left and one on the right, which are tied to the top and bottom of the scroll. The background features a large, multi-towered stone castle with crenellated roofs, silhouetted against a dramatic sky. The sky is a mix of orange, red, and dark blue, with scattered dark clouds. The overall mood is solemn and historical.

⁵ Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.

— **Jeremiah 1:5**

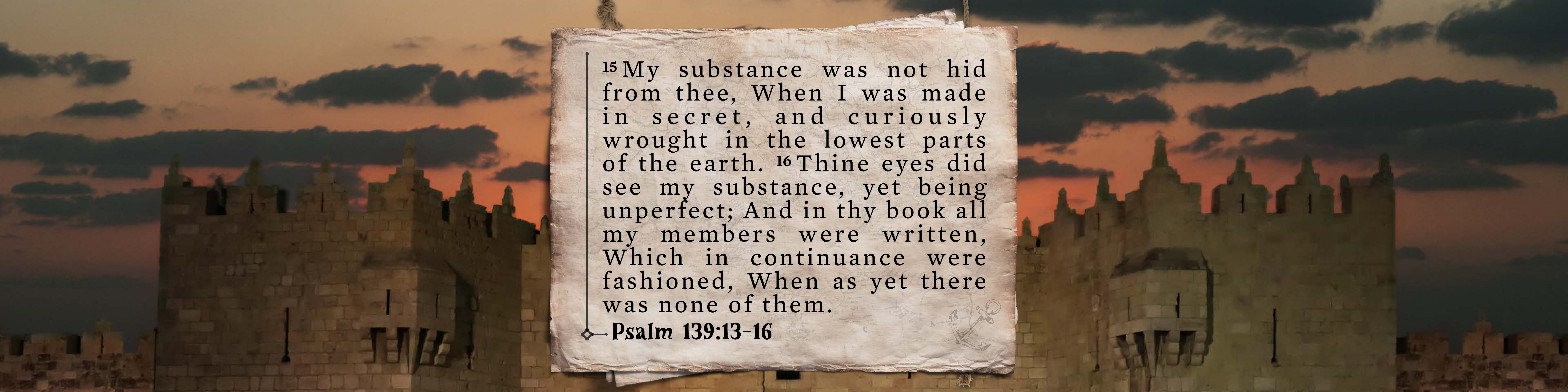




13 For thou hast possessed
my reins: Thou hast covered
me in my mother's womb.
14 I will praise thee; for I am
fearfully and wonderfully
made: Marvellous are thy
works; And that my soul
knoweth right well...

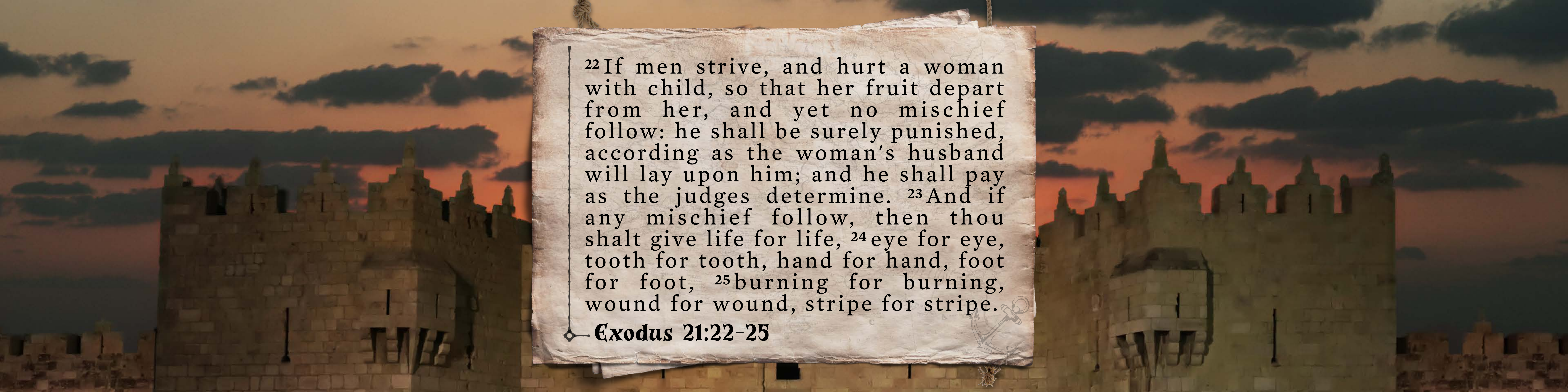
— Psalm 139:13-16



The image features a parchment scroll with text, hanging in front of a stone castle at sunset. The scroll is tied with a rope at the top and has a small anchor illustration at the bottom right. The background shows a large stone castle with multiple towers and battlements, silhouetted against a sky with orange and red hues from the setting sun, with dark clouds scattered across it.

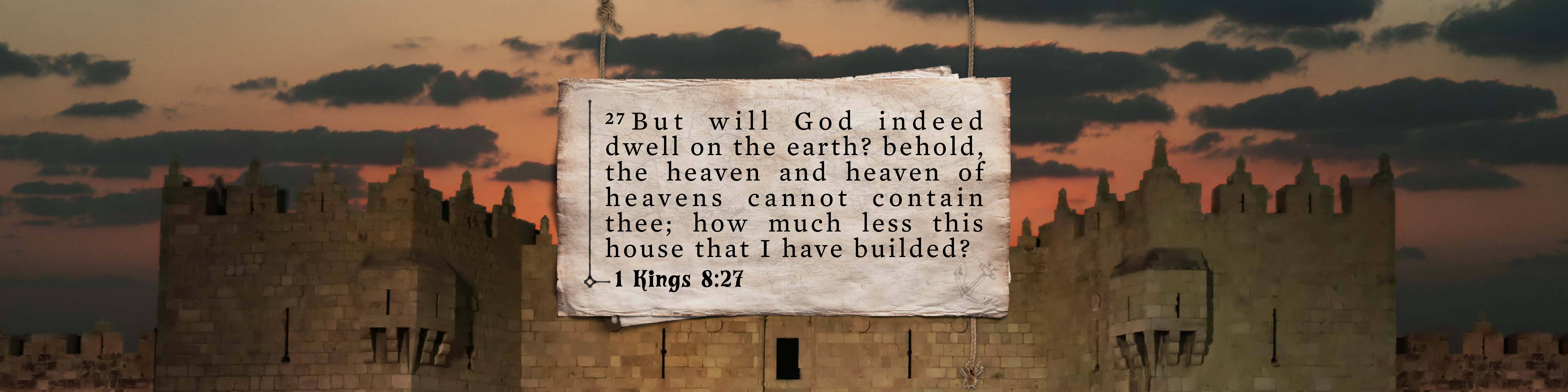
¹⁵ My substance was not hid
from thee, When I was made
in secret, and curiously
wrought in the lowest parts
of the earth. ¹⁶ Thine eyes did
see my substance, yet being
unperfect; And in thy book all
my members were written,
Which in continuance were
fashioned, When as yet there
was none of them.

— Psalm 139:13-16



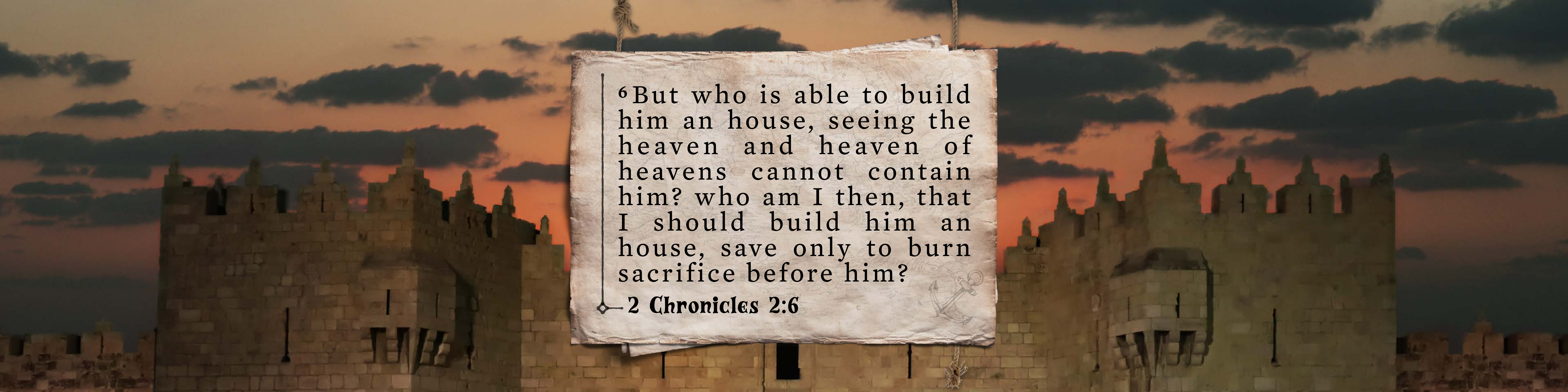
22 If men strive, and hurt a woman with child, so that her fruit depart from her, and yet no mischief follow: he shall be surely punished, according as the woman's husband will lay upon him; and he shall pay as the judges determine. 23 And if any mischief follow, then thou shalt give life for life, 24 eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot, 25 burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe.

◆ **Exodus 21:22-25**

A parchment scroll with text, hanging from ropes against a background of a stone castle at sunset. The scroll is rectangular with a slightly irregular, aged appearance. It is held up by two ropes, one on the left and one on the right, which are tied in knots at the top and bottom. The background features a large, multi-towered stone castle with crenellated roofs, silhouetted against a vibrant sunset sky with orange and red hues and dark, dramatic clouds. The overall scene has a historical and spiritual atmosphere.

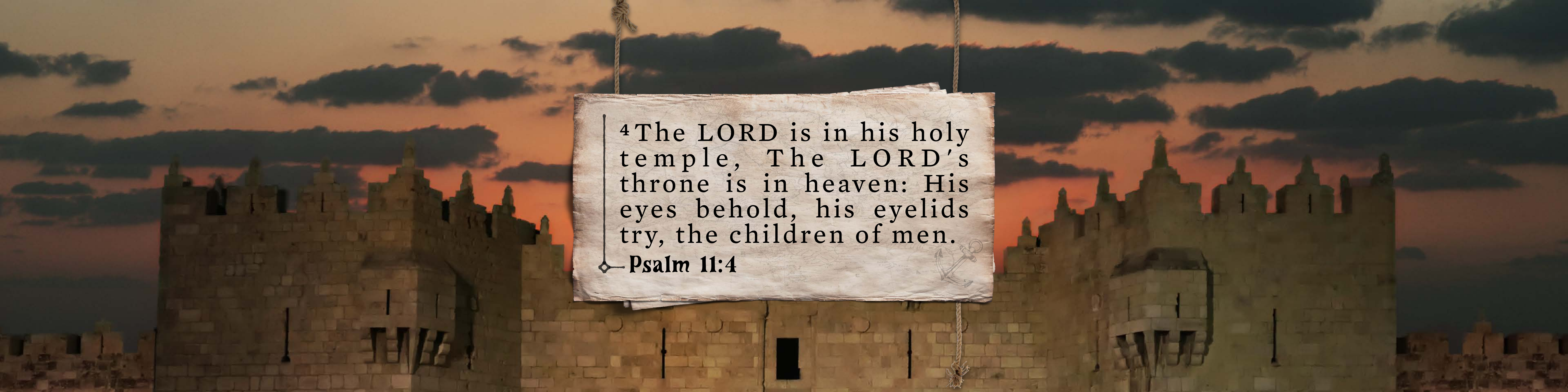
27 But will God indeed dwell on the earth? behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house that I have builded?

— 1 Kings 8:27

A parchment scroll with text, hanging in front of a stone castle at sunset. The scroll is tied with ropes at the top and bottom. The background features a large stone castle with multiple towers and battlements, set against a dramatic sky with orange and red hues from the setting or rising sun, and dark, silhouetted clouds. The parchment itself has a weathered, aged appearance with some faint, illegible markings and a small anchor symbol in the bottom right corner.

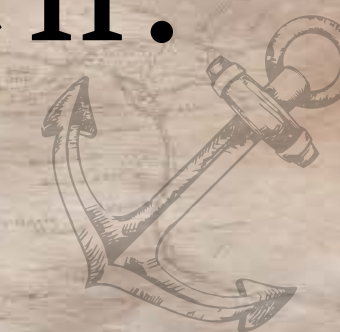
⁶But who is able to build
him an house, seeing the
heaven and heaven of
heavens cannot contain
him? who am I then, that
I should build him an
house, save only to burn
sacrifice before him?

❖ **2 Chronicles 2:6**

A parchment scroll with text, hanging from ropes against a background of a stone castle at sunset. The scroll is rectangular and has a weathered, aged appearance. It is suspended by two ropes, one at the top and one at the bottom. The background features a large, multi-towered stone castle with crenellated roofs, set against a dramatic sky with orange and red hues from the setting or rising sun, and dark, silhouetted clouds. The overall scene has a historical or biblical feel.

⁴The LORD is in his holy
temple, The LORD's
throne is in heaven: His
eyes behold, his eyelids
try, the children of men.

◆ Psalm 11:4



¹Thus saith the LORD, The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool: where is the house that ye build unto me? and where is the place of my rest? ²For all those things hath mine hand made, and all those things have been, saith the LORD: but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word.

— **Isaiah 66:1-2**



GNASHING

Acts 7:54

- Greek -

βρούχω

BRÝCHŌ

grind or grate teeth



STEPHEN EMULATING JESUS

- 1 DYING FOR HIS FAITH
- 2 SAYING THE SAME WORDS AS JESUS
- 3 FORGIVING LIKE JESUS



A wide-angle photograph of a large, ancient stone castle with multiple towers and battlements. The castle is constructed from light-colored stone blocks. The background is a dramatic sunset sky with dark, heavy clouds and a bright orange glow on the horizon. A rectangular, weathered parchment sign is suspended in the center of the frame by two thick, light-colored ropes. The sign has a slightly torn and aged appearance. The text 'Acts 8' is written on the sign in a large, bold, black serif font, with a horizontal line underlining the word 'Acts'.

Acts 8

CONSENTING

Acts 8:1

- Greek -

συνευδοκέω

SYNEUDOKÉŌ

- I. To be pleased together with,
to approve together (cast a vote in favor)
- II. Agree to; to applaud; feel gratified;
to be pleased





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