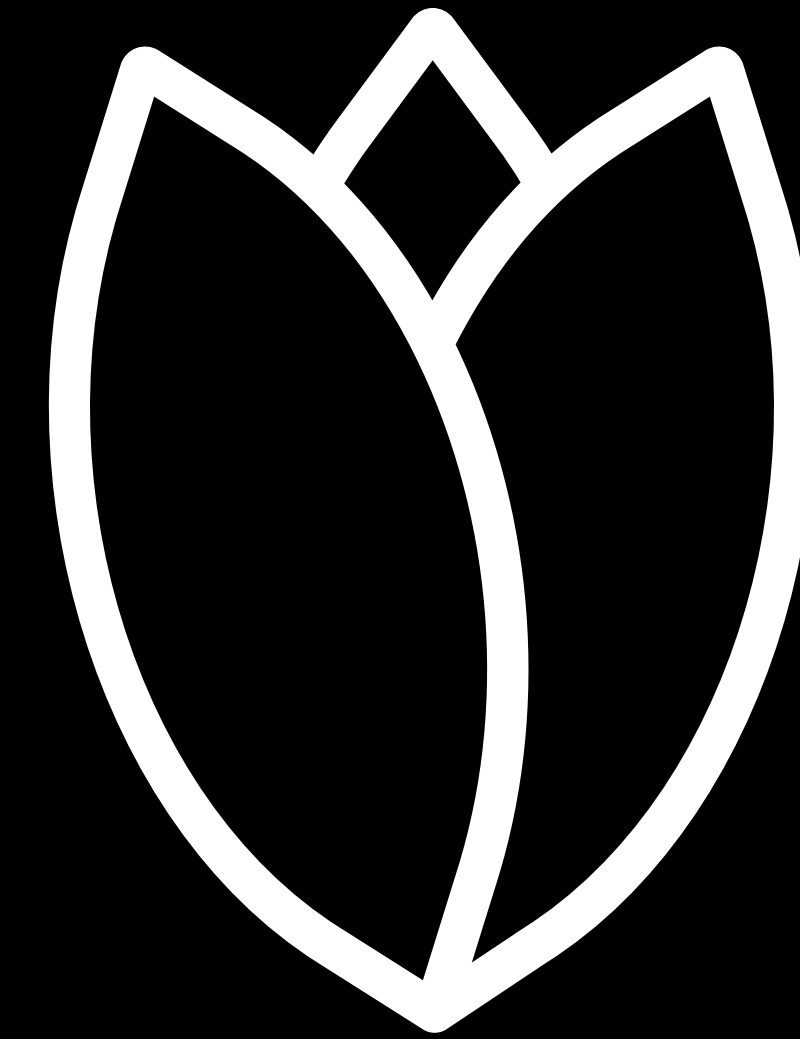
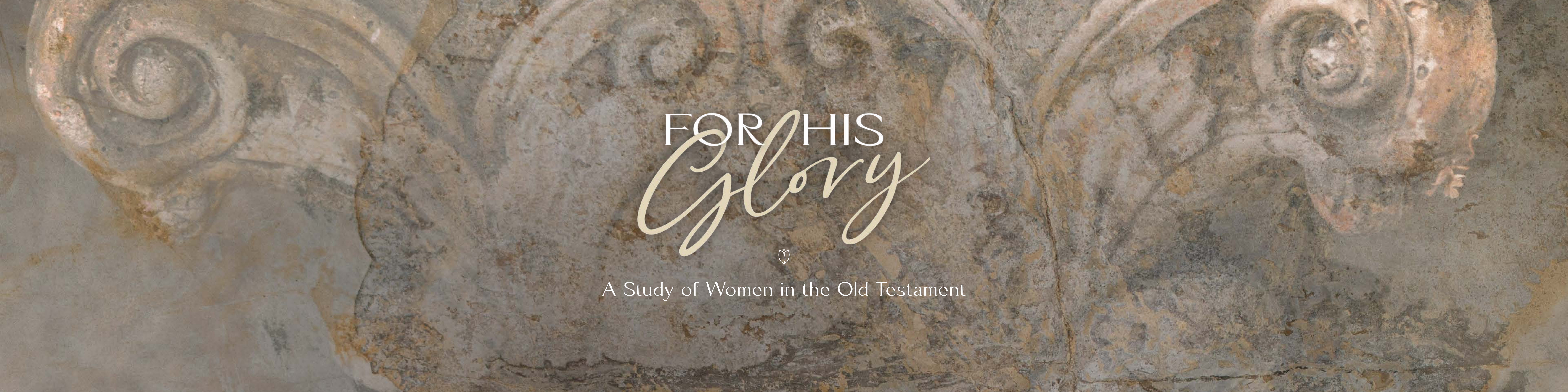




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A photograph of a garden path made of light-colored stones. On the left side, there is a bush with green leaves and small red and white flowers. Some petals are scattered on the path. A semi-circular, dark reddish-brown overlay is positioned in the center of the image, containing the word "SELFISH" in white, serif, all-caps font.

SELFISH



Selfish

caring *only* about what you want or need without any thought for the needs or wishes of other people.

WEBSTER 1828

regarding one's own interest chiefly or solely;
influenced in actions by a view to private advantage.

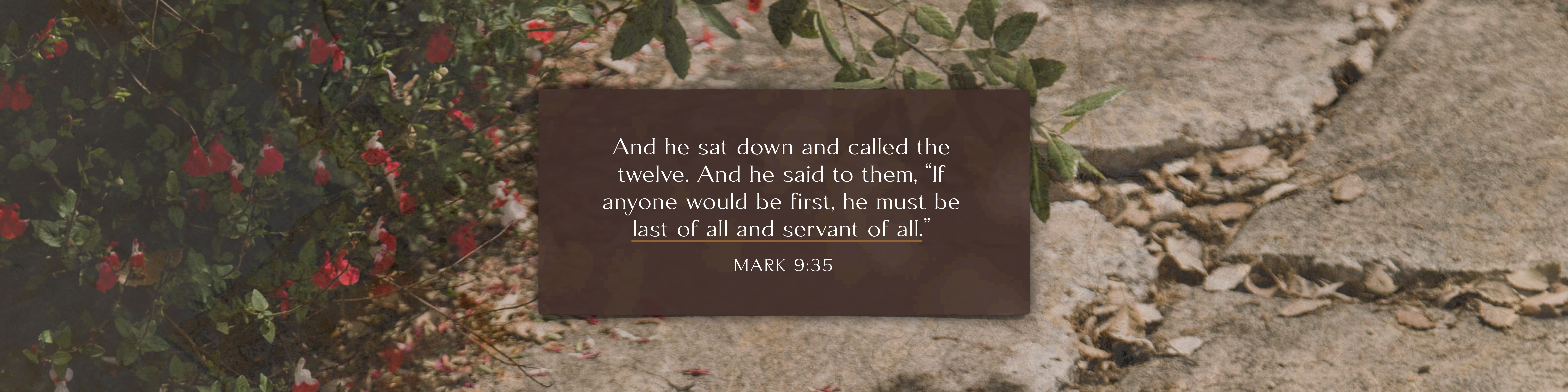
SEDUCTIVELY SELFISH

Delilah

děĭ'lâ | del-ee-law

1100 BC, JUDGES 16

uncertain; may also
mean “dangling curls”



And he sat down and called the
twelve. And he said to them, “If
anyone would be first, he must be
last of all and servant of all.”

MARK 9:35

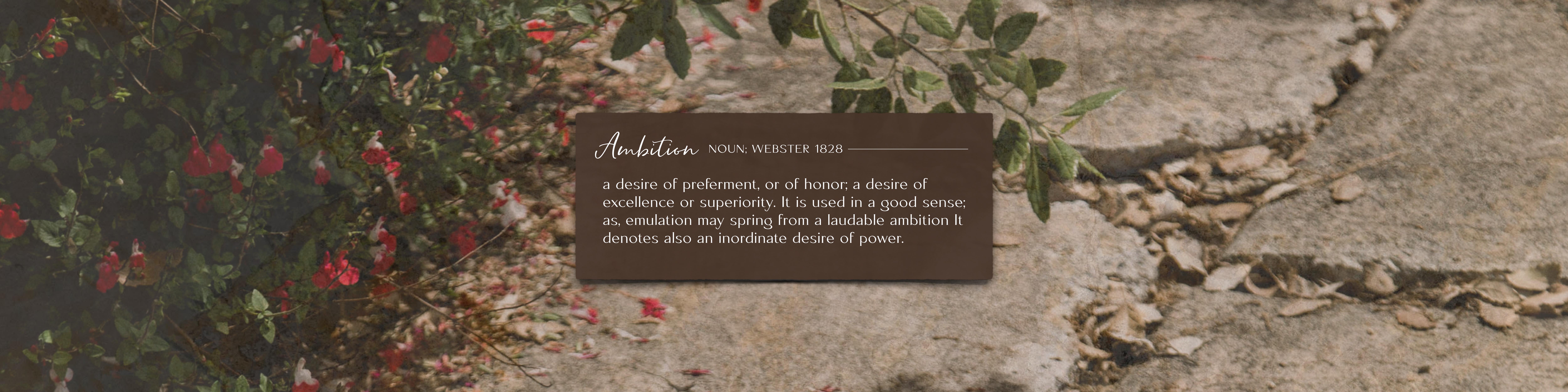
AMBITIOUSLY SELFISH

Jezebel

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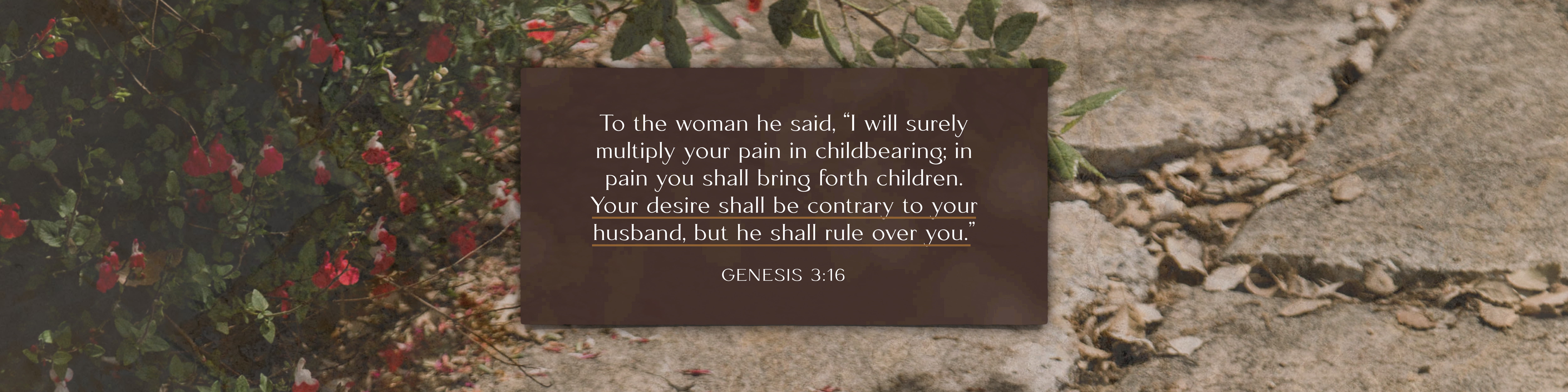
1 KINGS 21

where is the prince?;
exalted one; “no nobility”



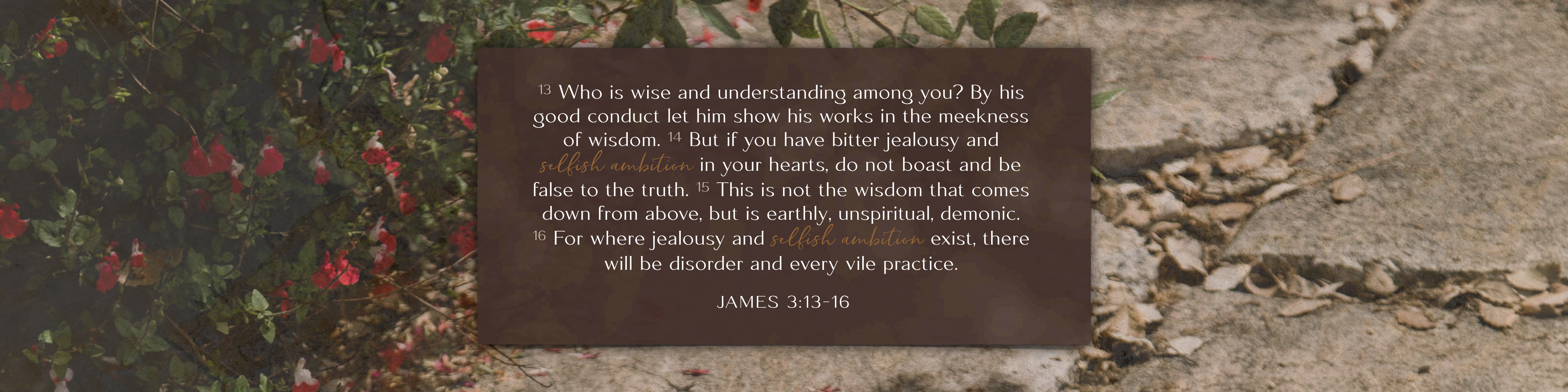
Ambition NOUN; WEBSTER 1828

a desire of preferment, or of honor; a desire of excellence or superiority. It is used in a good sense; as, emulation may spring from a laudable ambition It denotes also an inordinate desire of power.



To the woman he said, “I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be contrary to your husband, but he shall rule over you.”

GENESIS 3:16



¹³ Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. ¹⁴ But if you have bitter jealousy and *selfish ambition* in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. ¹⁵ This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. ¹⁶ For where jealousy and *selfish ambition* exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice.

JAMES 3:13-16

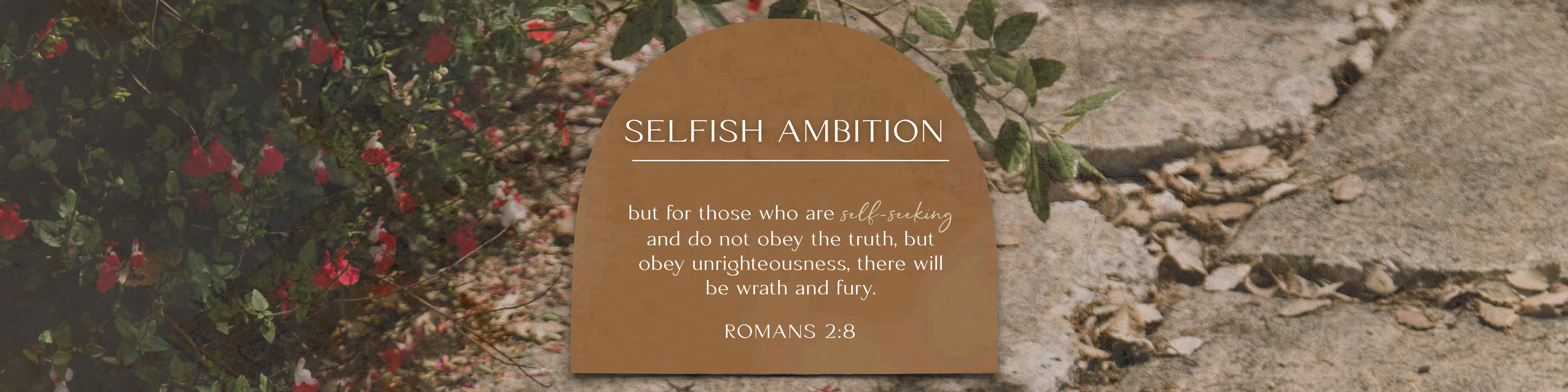
SELFISH AMBITION

GREEK

ἐριθεία

ERITHEIA

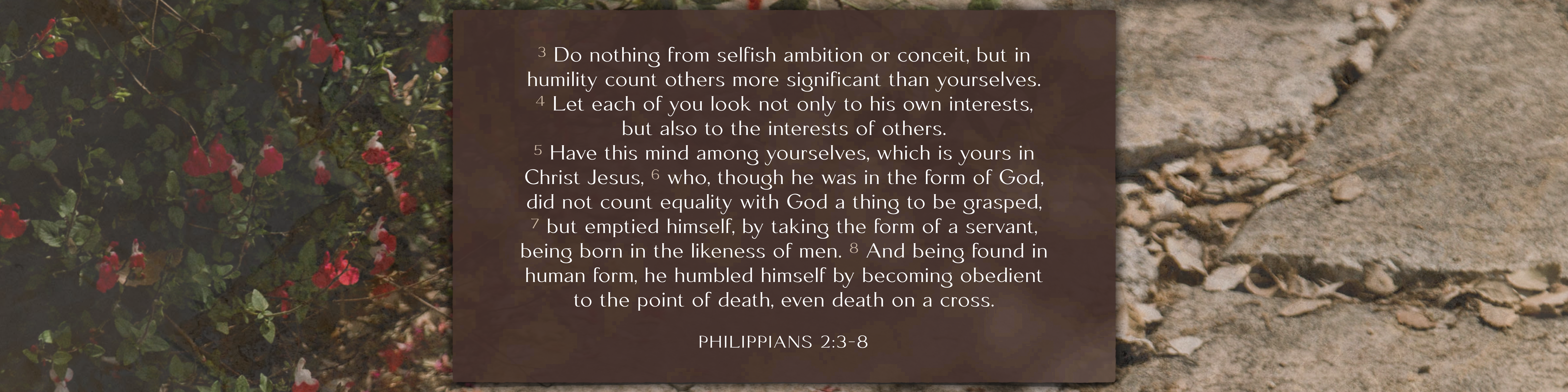
selfish ambition; strife;
contentiousness;
selfishness; hostility.



SELFISH AMBITION

but for those who are *self-seeking*
and do not obey the truth, but
obey unrighteousness, there will
be wrath and fury.

ROMANS 2:8



³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.

⁴ Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

PHILIPPIANS 2:3-8

A close-up photograph of a person's hands pouring water from a large, light-brown clay jug into a rough-hewn stone basin. The water is captured mid-pour, creating a clear stream. The background is a blurred, textured surface of dry earth or stone. A semi-circular dark red overlay is positioned in the center of the image, containing the word 'HELPFUL' in white serif font.

HELPFUL

A close-up photograph of a person's hands pouring water from a large, light-brown clay jug into a shallow, rough-hewn stone basin. The water is captured mid-pour, creating a clear stream. The background is a textured, light-colored stone surface.

Then the Lord God said, "It is not
good that the man should be alone; I
will make him a *helper* fit for him."

GENESIS 2:18

NAME MEANING

“Princess” or
“noblewoman”

Sarai/Sarah

ABRAHAM'S WIFE

1875 BC

GENESIS
18:1-8



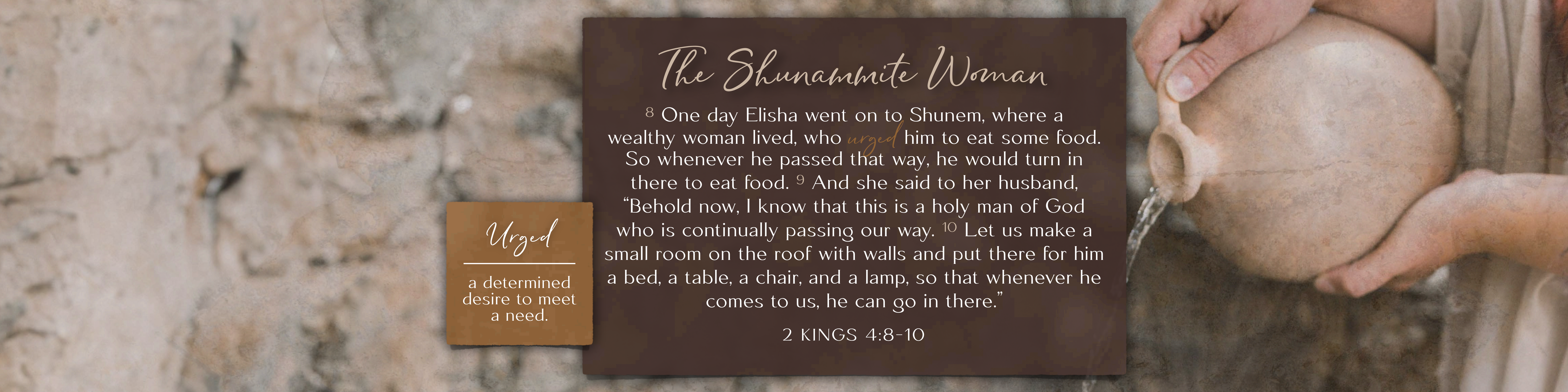
³⁵ 'For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me,

³⁶ I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' ³⁷ Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink?

³⁸ And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? ³⁹ And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' ⁴⁰ And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

MATTHEW 25:35-40





Urged

a determined
desire to meet
a need.

The Shunammite Woman

⁸ One day Elisha went on to Shunem, where a wealthy woman lived, who *urged* him to eat some food. So whenever he passed that way, he would turn in there to eat food. ⁹ And she said to her husband, “Behold now, I know that this is a holy man of God who is continually passing our way. ¹⁰ Let us make a small room on the roof with walls and put there for him a bed, a table, a chair, and a lamp, so that whenever he comes to us, he can go in there.”

2 KINGS 4:8-10

Perceptively Helpful

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that the man should be alone; I will
make him a *helper fit for him*."

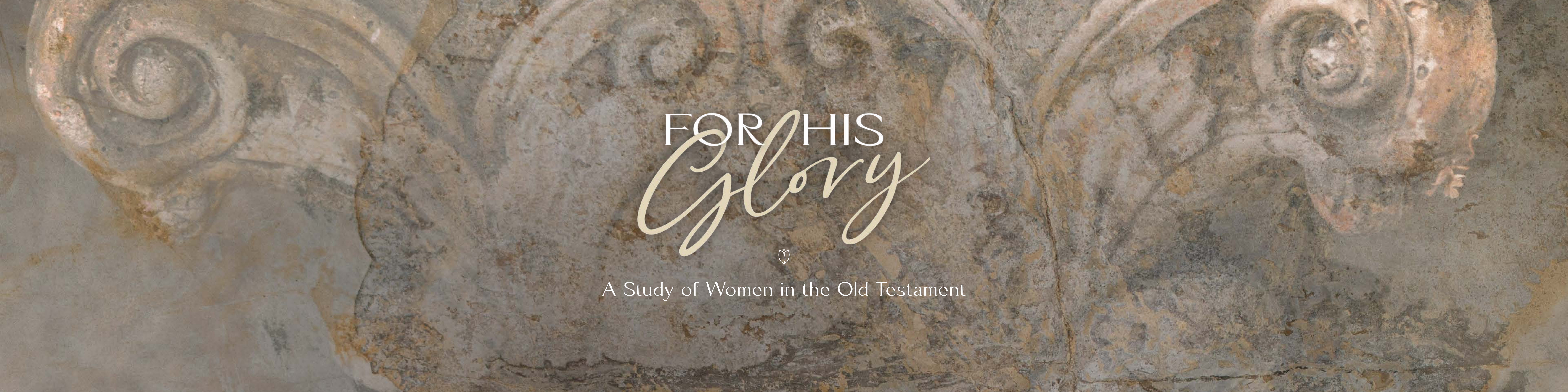
GENESIS 2:18



⁷ The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. ⁸ Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. ⁹ Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. ¹⁰ As each has received a gift, use it to *serve one another*, as good stewards of God's varied grace: ¹¹ whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

1 PETER 4:7-11

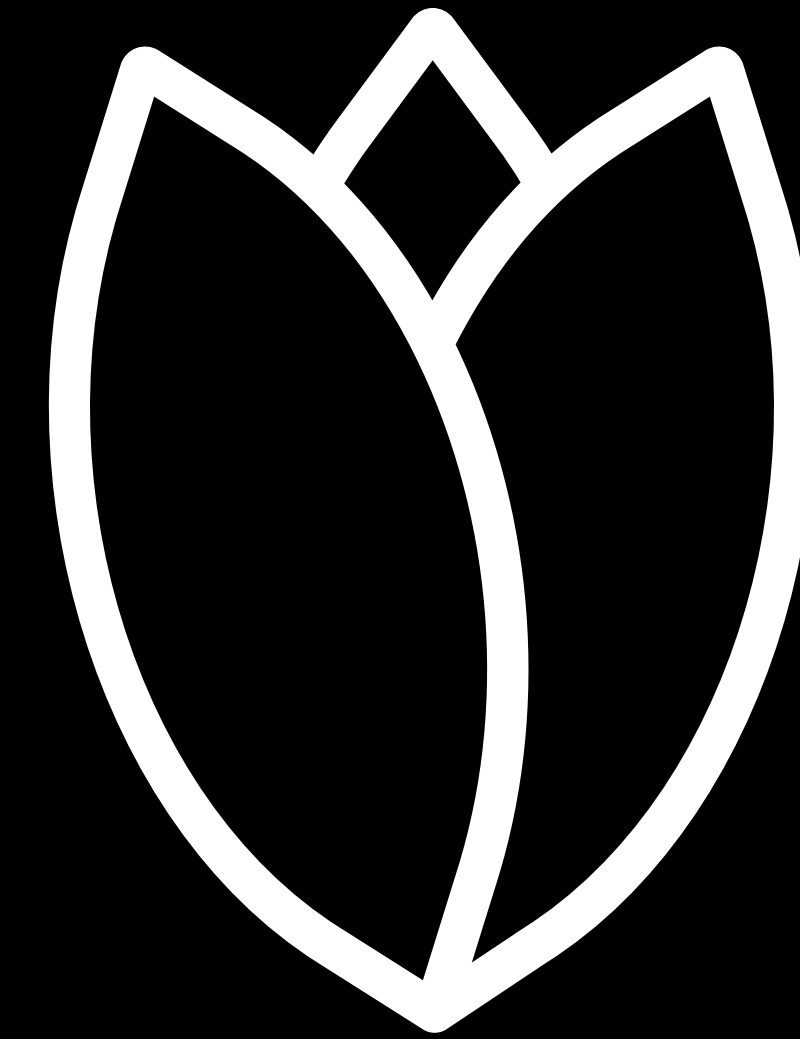




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