

A photograph of a lion and its cub in a savanna setting. The lion is on the right, walking towards the right, and the cub is on the left, walking towards the lion. The background is a blurred savanna landscape with tall grasses and a warm, golden light. The text is overlaid on the top left of the image.

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THE STUDY OF MATTHEW

Come and follow the King

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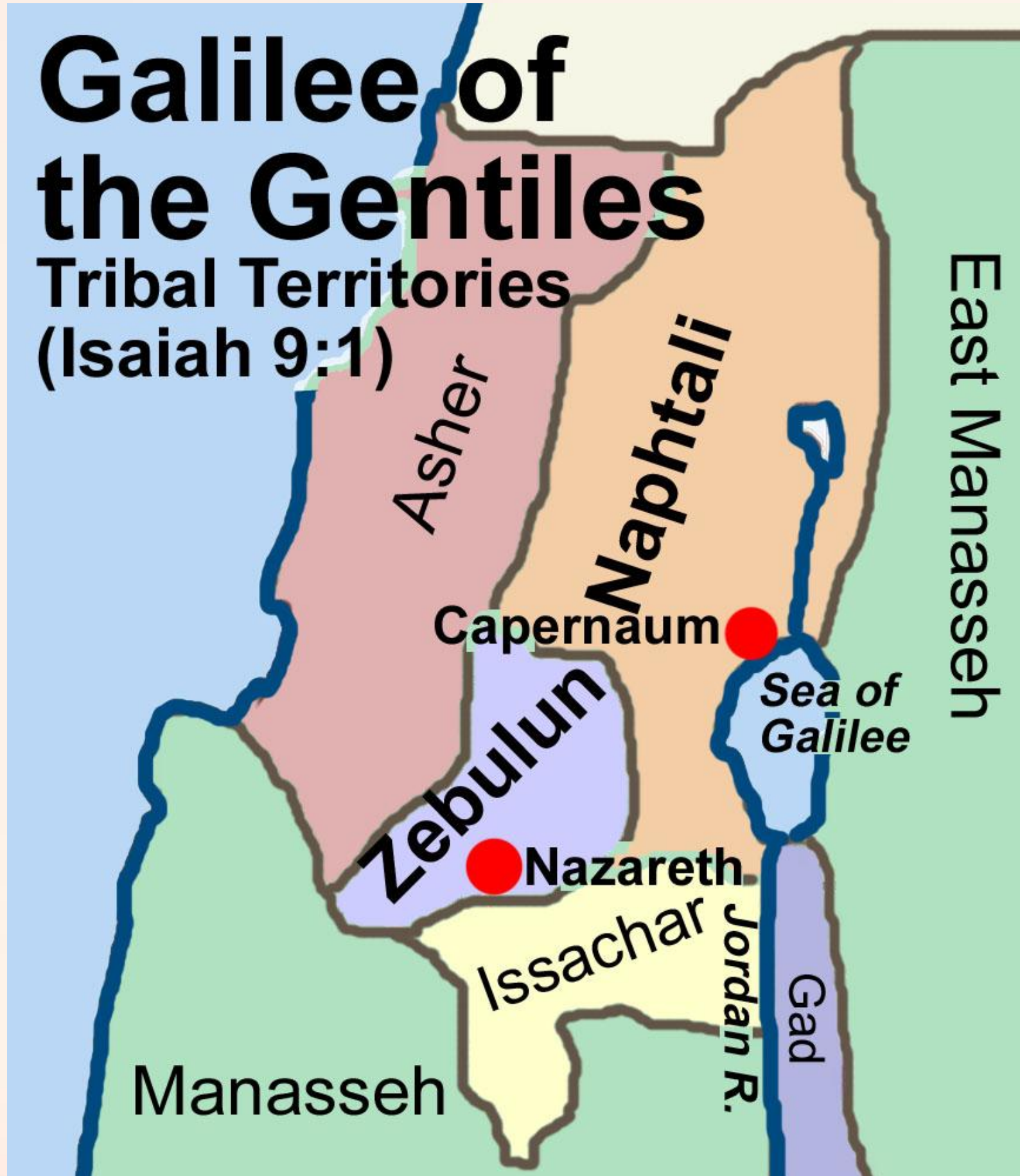
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- a. Jesus declared He is their long-awaited King.
- b. Jesus established the Kingdom of Light over darkness.

Spiritual darkness –
a world that is lost and broken



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Application:

- a. Are there areas of darkness (lost, confusion, brokenness) in your life that need the light of Christ today?
- b. Will you be the light of the world to bring light and hope to people living in darkness?



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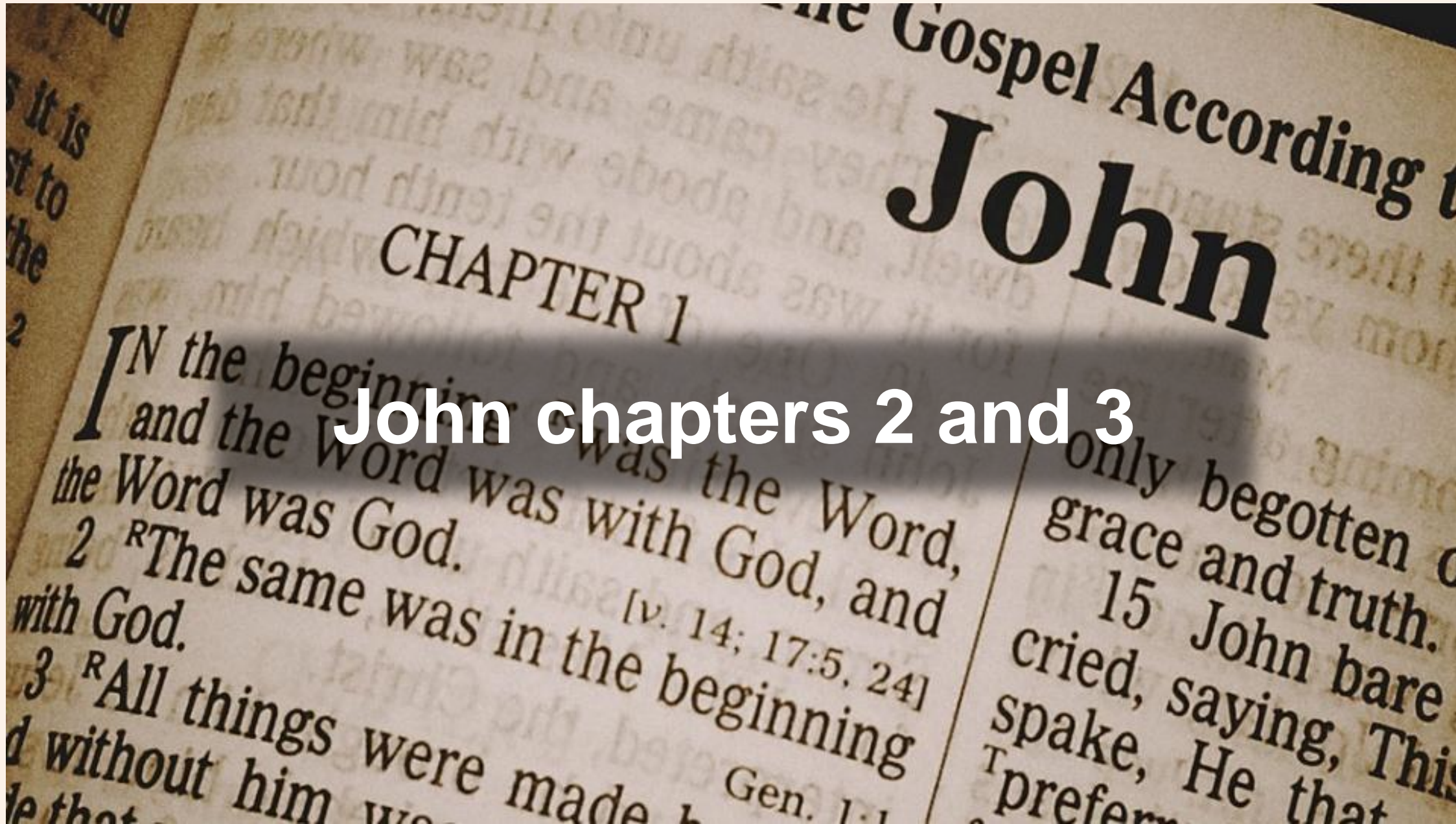
⁴⁰ **Andrew**, Simon Peter’s brother, was **one of the two** who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. ⁴¹ The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother **Simon** and tell him, “We have found the Messiah” (that is, the Christ). ⁴² And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas” (which, when translated, is **Peter**).



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John chapters 2 and 3



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John 3:23-24

²³ Now John also was baptizing at Aenon near Salim, because there was plenty of water, and people were coming and being baptized. ²⁴ (This was before John was put in prison.)



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Matthew 4:19

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Application:

- a. Are you preparing yourselves to follow the King?
- b. Will you commit to disciple 1 or 2 persons this year?



“Come and follow the King”

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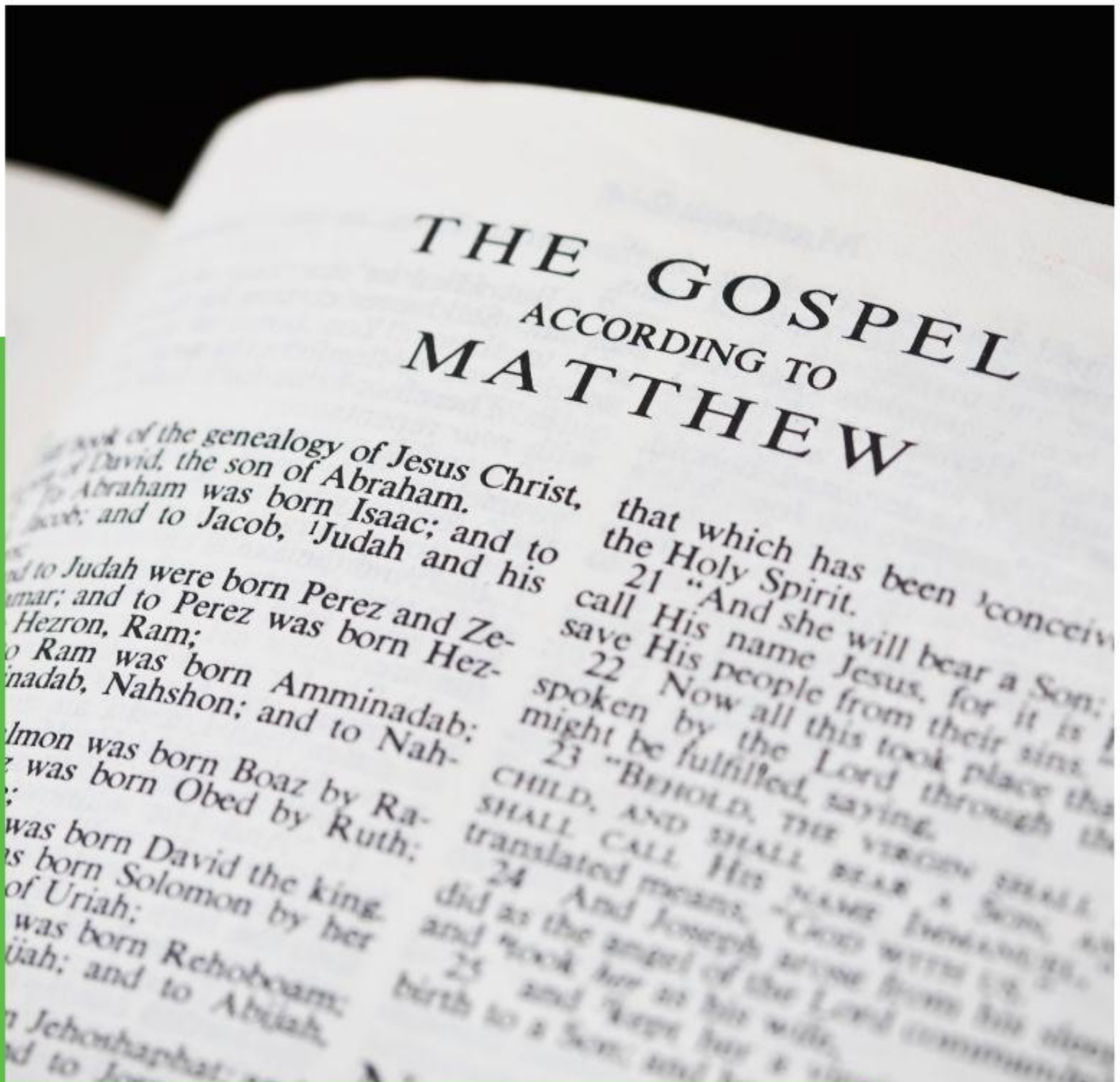
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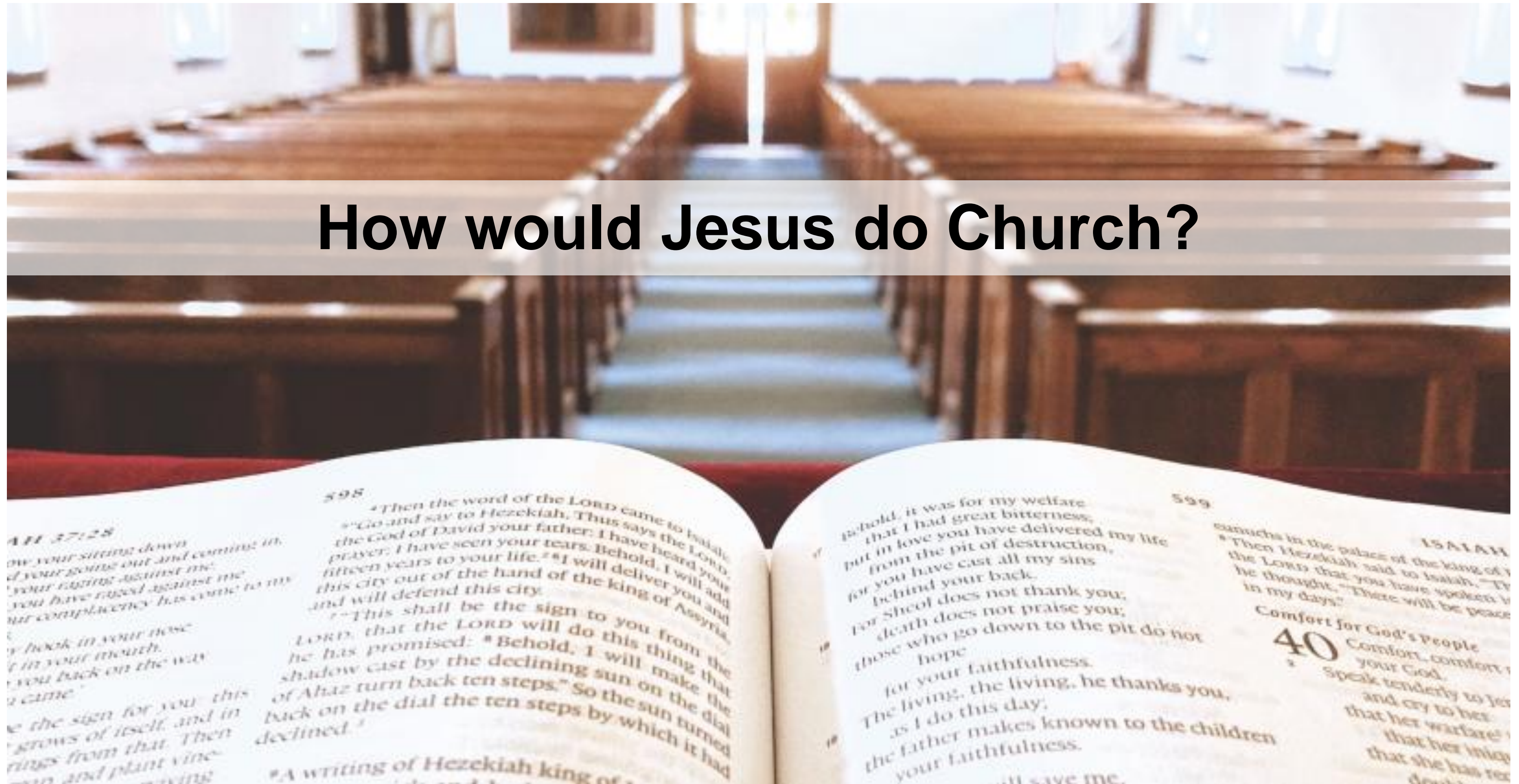
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How would Jesus do Church?



ISAIAH 37:28

How your sitting down
and your going out and coming in,
your raging against me,
you have raged against me,
but your complacency has come to my
nose.

Turn back in your nose
and in your mouth,
and you back on the way
you came.

Behold, the sign for you: this
year grows of itself, and in
the next year it brings forth grain,
and in the third year you
plant vineyards and plant olive
trees, and you are eating
the fruit of them.

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Then the word of the Lord came to Isaiah
the God of David your father: I have heard your
prayer; I have seen your tears. Behold, I will add
fifteen years to your life. I will deliver you and
this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria,
and I will defend this city.

This shall be the sign to you from the
Lord, that the Lord will do this thing that
he has promised: Behold, I will make the
shadow cast by the declining sun on the dial
of Ahaz turn back ten steps. So the sun turned
back on the dial the ten steps by which it had
declined.

A writing of Hezekiah king of

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Behold, it was for my welfare
that I had great bitterness,
but in love you have delivered my life
from the pit of destruction,
for you have cast all my sins
behind your back.

For Sheol does not thank you;
death does not praise you;
those who go down to the pit do not
hope

for your faithfulness.
The living, the living, he thanks you,
as I do this day;
the father makes known to the children
your faithfulness.

ISAIAH

Then Hezekiah said to Isaiah, "The
Lord that you have spoken
he thought, 'There will be peace
in my days.'"

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Comfort for God's People
Comfort, comfort
your God.
Speak tenderly to Jerusalem
and cry to her,
that her warfare
that her iniquity
that she has received

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Application:

Will you exalt Jesus as the absolute King of your life?



ARNOLD

PALMER

AND THE KING

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Our Respond:

- a. Let us repent of areas of darkness in our lives, and be the light of the world as Jesus is.
- b. Let us prepare ourselves (study the word, pray, serve), and commit to disciple 1 or 2 persons for the Lord this year.
- c. Let us exalt Jesus, and make Christ the absolute King of our lives.

Let us come and follow the King.

