

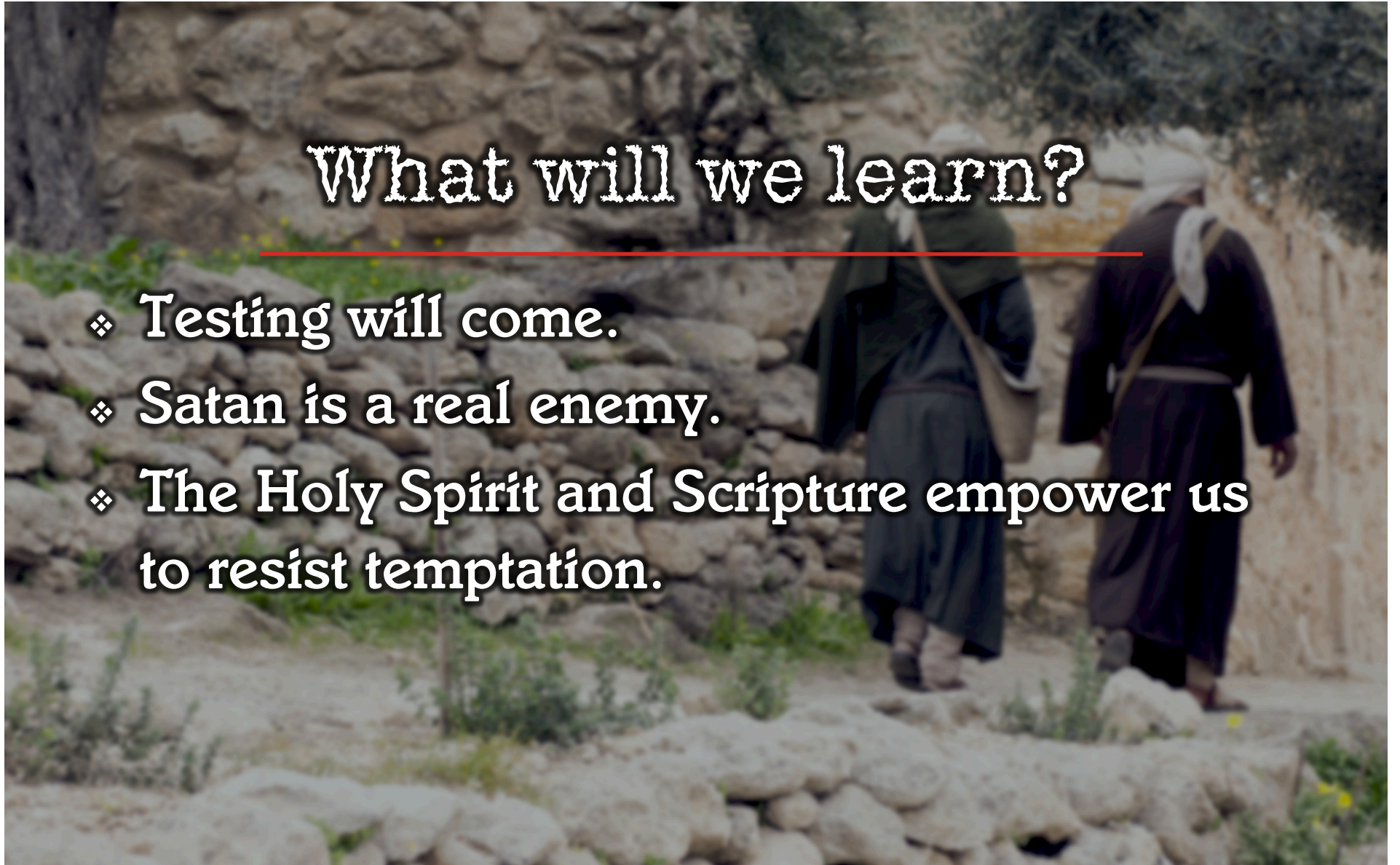
A photograph of two men in traditional, dark-colored robes and white head coverings walking away from the camera on a dirt path. They are positioned in front of a large, rustic stone wall made of irregular, light-colored rocks. The man on the left is wearing a dark green robe and has a light-colored satchel slung over his shoulder. The man on the right is wearing a dark purple or brown robe. The background shows more of the stone wall and some green foliage, including what appears to be an olive tree. The overall scene is set in a natural, outdoor environment.

Tempted by the Devil
Luke 3:21-38

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What will we learn?

- ❖ Testing will come.
- ❖ Satan is a real enemy.
- ❖ The Holy Spirit and Scripture empower us to resist temptation.



A photograph of two individuals in traditional, dark-colored robes and head coverings walking away from the camera on a rocky, uneven path. The path is bordered by a low stone wall on the left and a taller, more substantial wall on the right. The background shows a rocky hillside with some sparse green vegetation. The overall scene suggests a journey or pilgrimage in a rugged, natural setting.

Darrell L. Bock:

**“If I am to grow spiritually, I can expect trial.
If I am to grow spiritually, I need to look
to God in the midst of it.”**

Who is Jesus?

- ❖ Savior
- ❖ Christ
- ❖ Lord
- ❖ Son of David
- ❖ Son of Abraham
- ❖ Son of Adam
- ❖ Son of God
- ❖ Son of Man
- ❖ Suffering Servant

Hebrews 4:15

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are — yet he did not sin.

Luke 4:1-2

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry.

Ready for battle:

- ❖ “full of the Holy Spirit”
- ❖ “led by the Spirit”



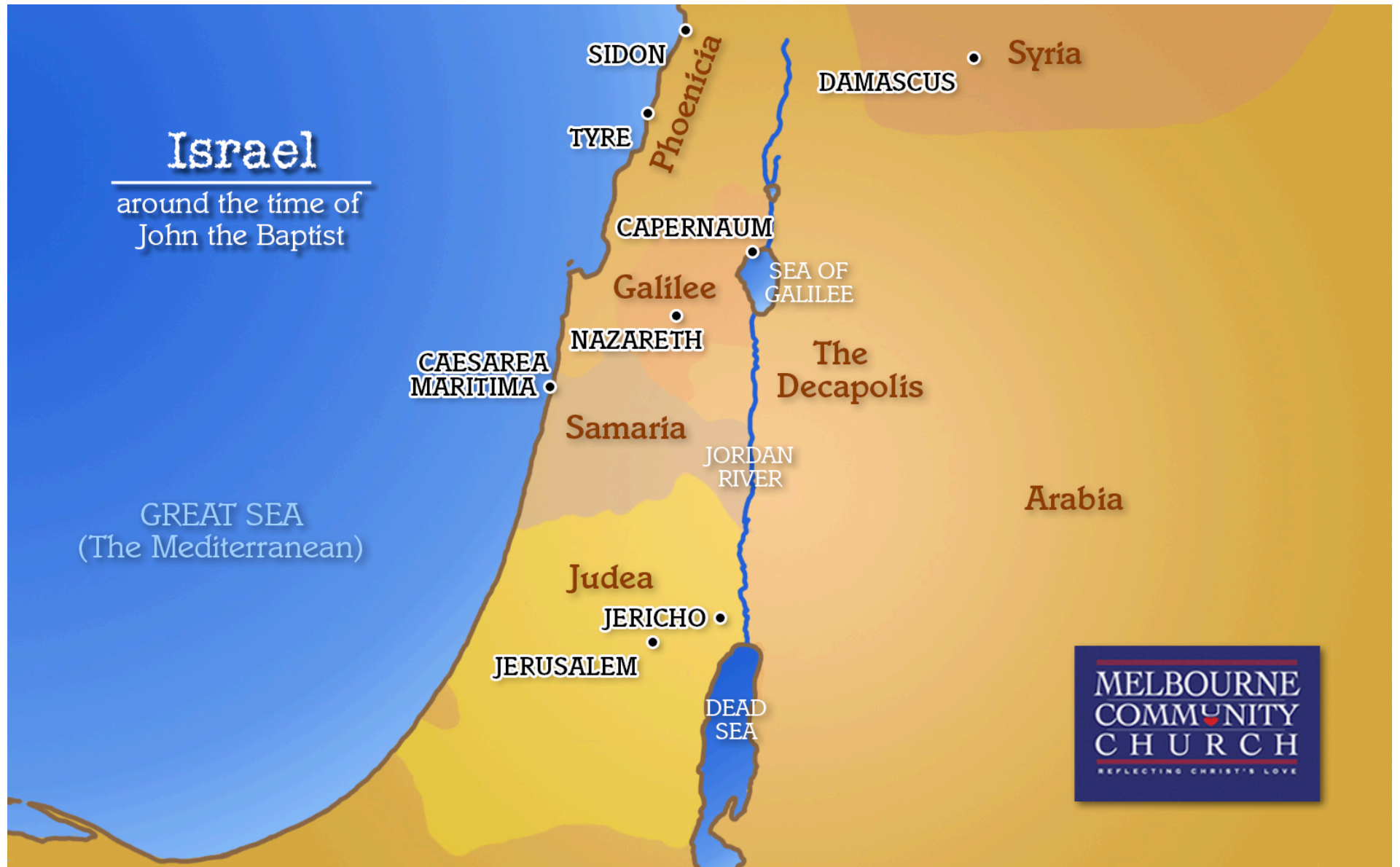
40 Days

- ❖ Noah
- ❖ Moses
- ❖ Elíjah
- ❖ Jonah
- ❖ Israel (years)



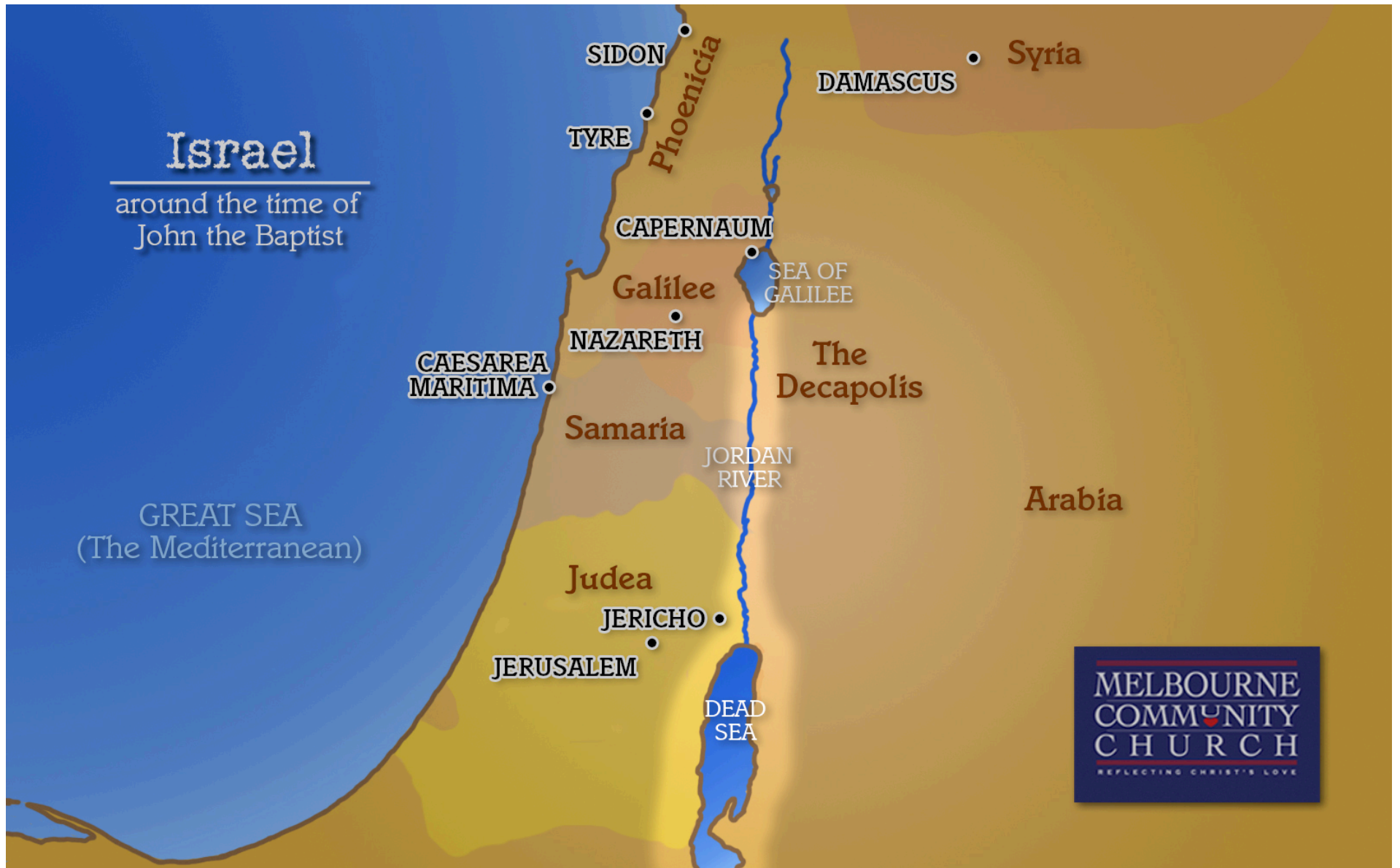
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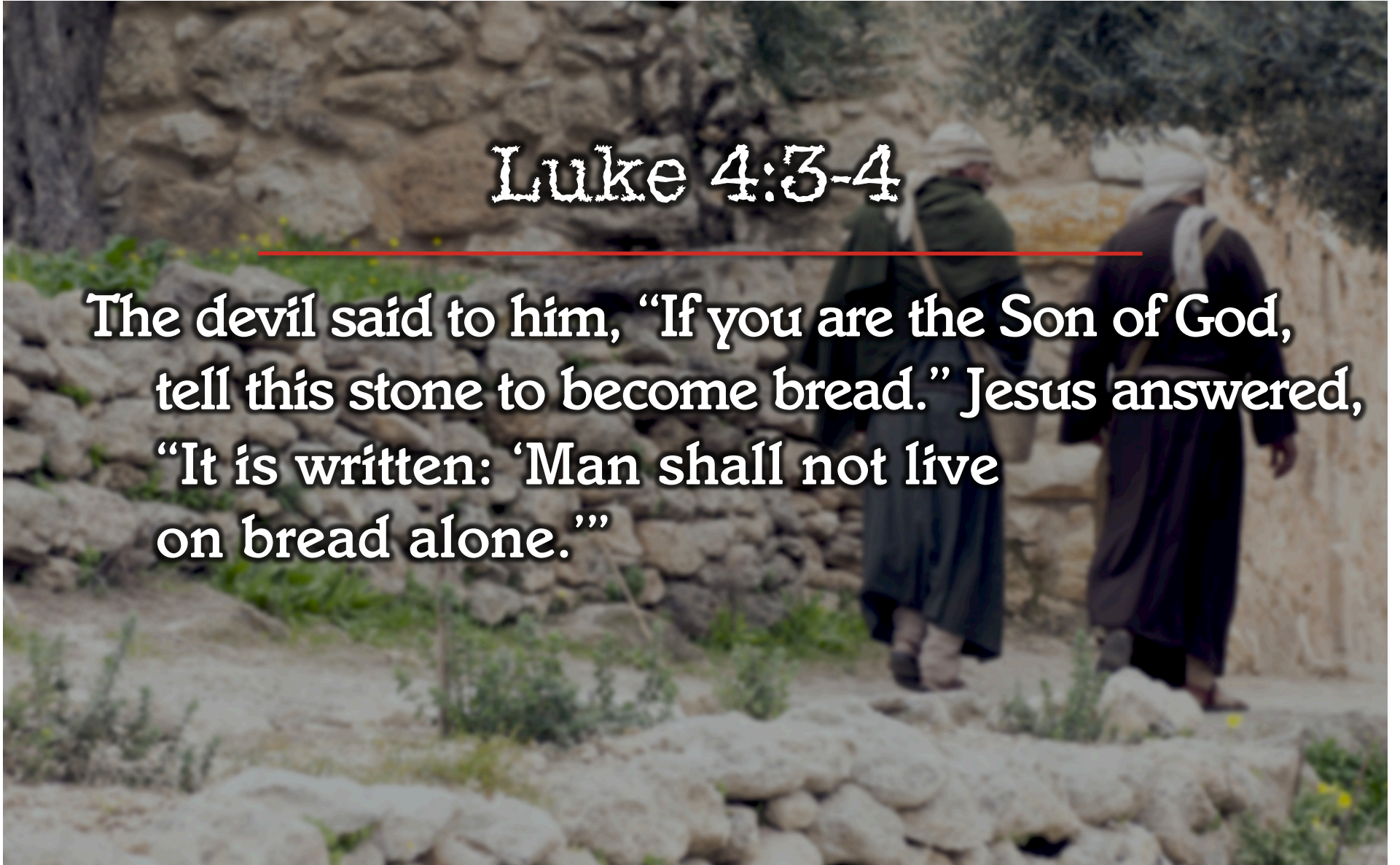
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Luke 4:3-4

The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread." Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone.'"



Luke 4:5-7

The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And he said to him, "I will give you all their authority and splendor; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. If you worship me, it will all be yours."

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Luke 4:8

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.'"

Luke 4:9-11

The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down from here. For it is written: "He will command his angels concerning you to guard you carefully; they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone."

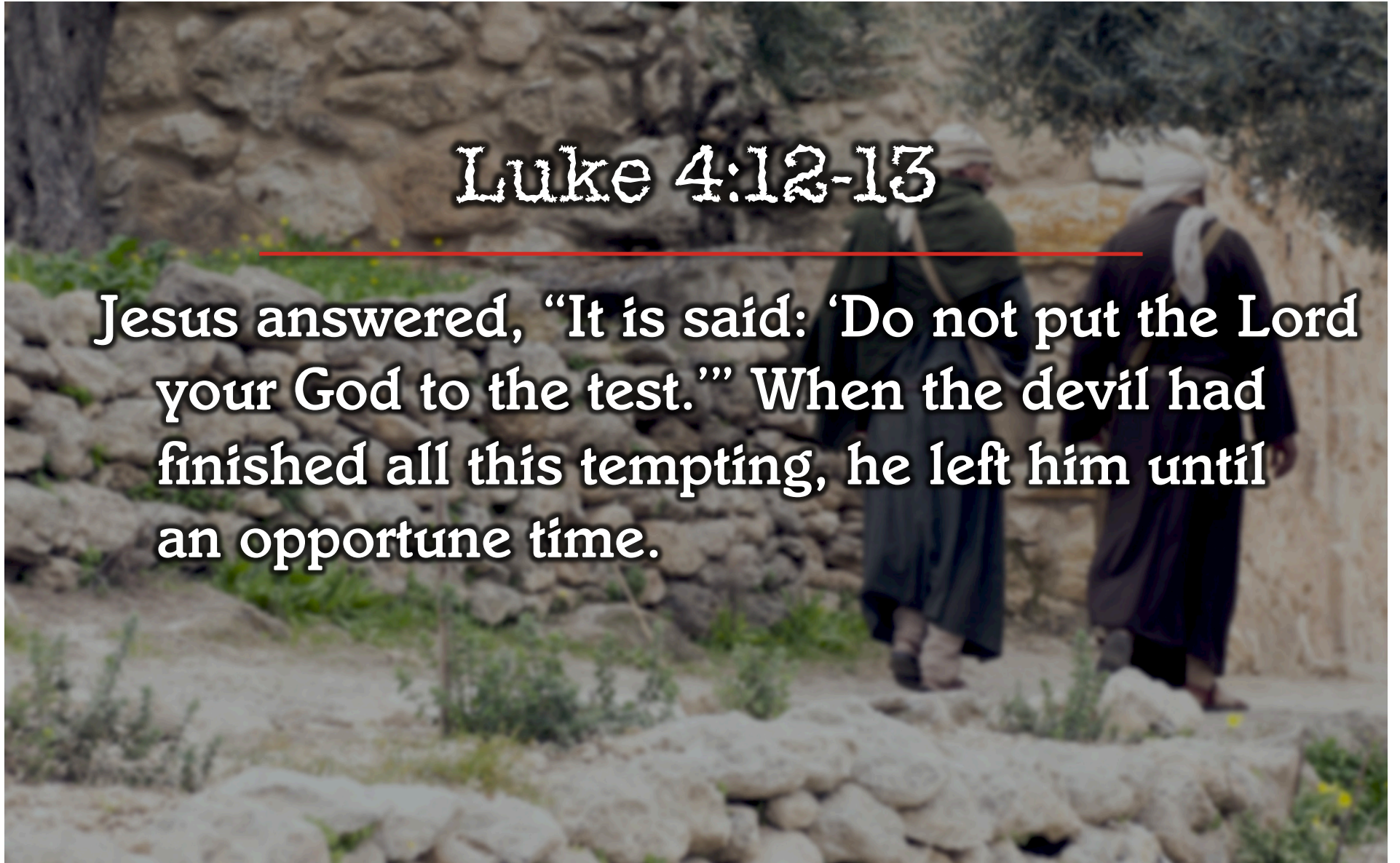
Jerusalem:

- ❖ Luke 9:31; 53
- ❖ Luke 13:22; 31-35
- ❖ Luke 17:11
- ❖ Luke 18:31
- ❖ Luke 19:11; 28



Luke 4:12-13

Jesus answered, "It is said: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.





“a more opportune time”

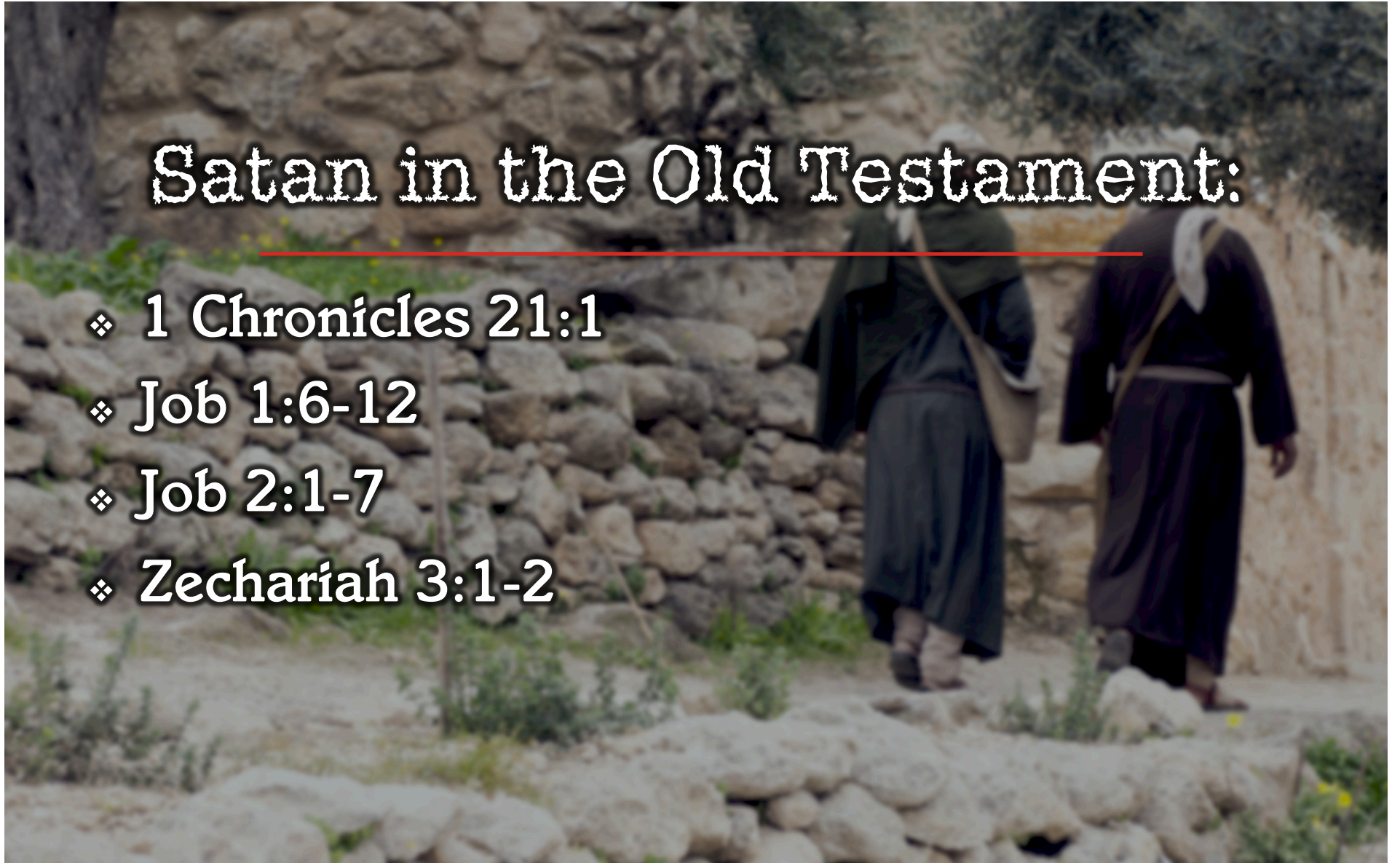
- ❖ Judas (22:3)
- ❖ Simon Peter (22:31)
- ❖ Jesus (22:53)

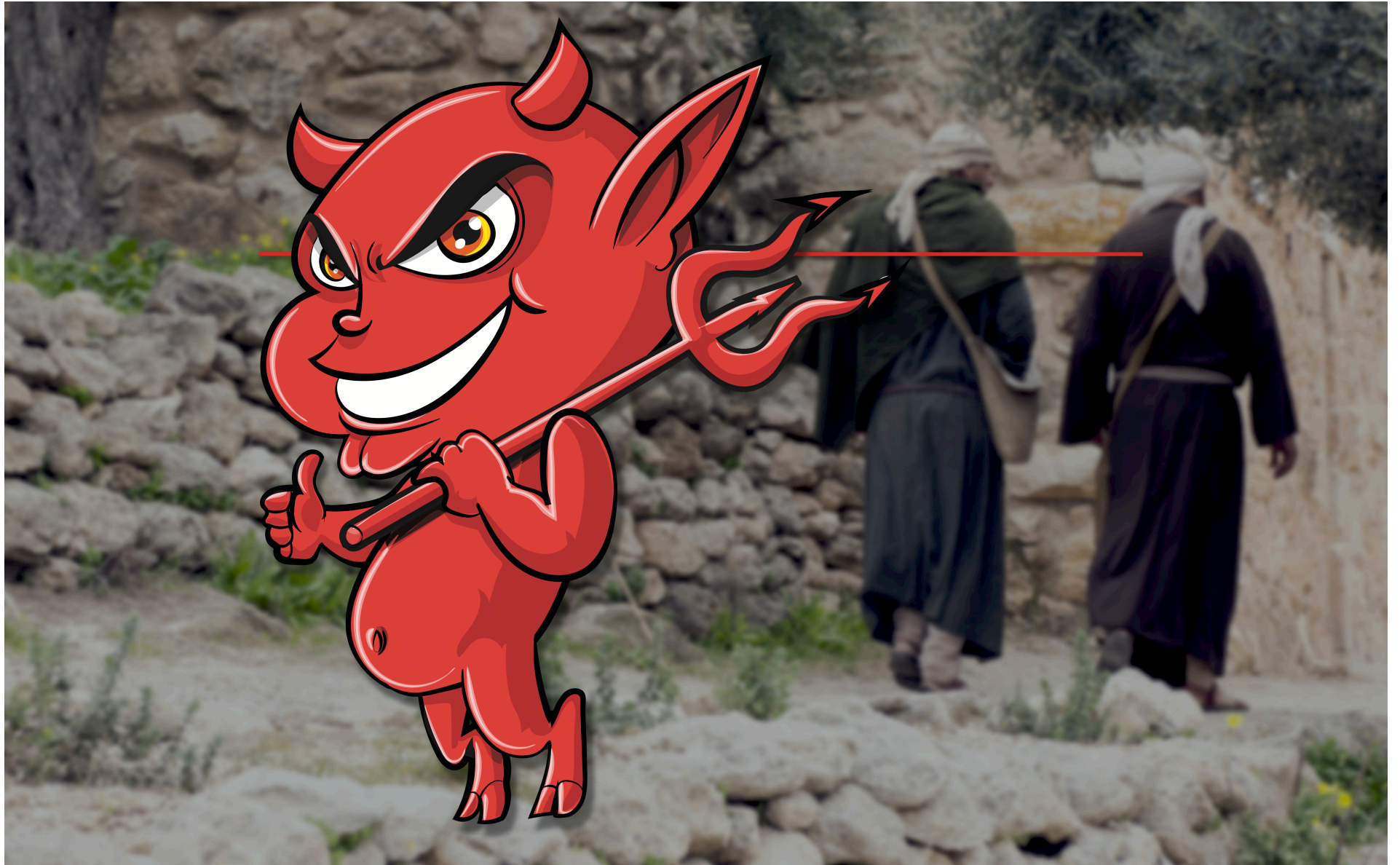
Luke 23:35-37

The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is God's Messiah, the Chosen One." The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar and said, "If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself."

Satan in the Old Testament:

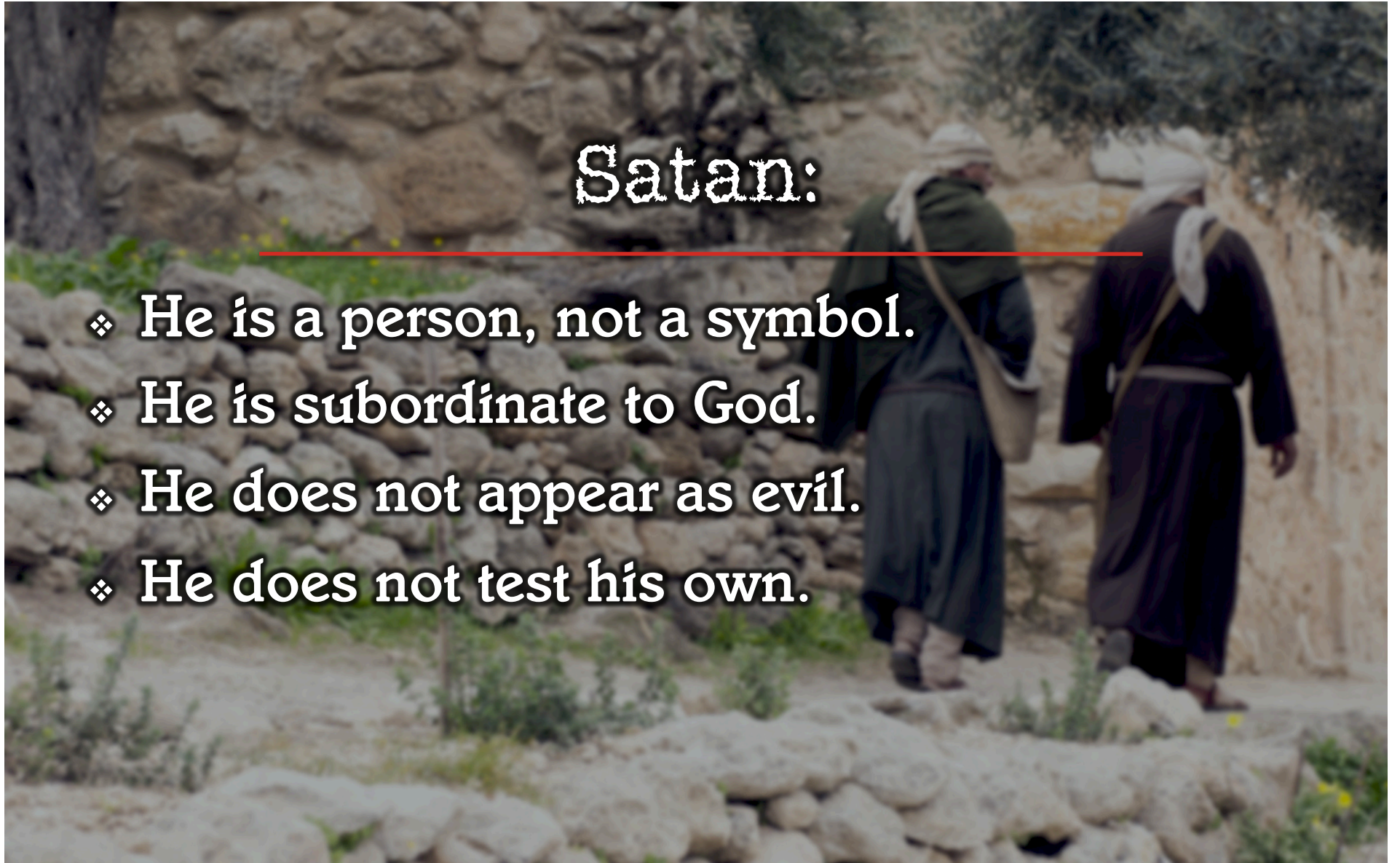
- ❖ 1 Chronicles 21:1
- ❖ Job 1:6-12
- ❖ Job 2:1-7
- ❖ Zechariah 3:1-2





Satan:

- ❖ He is a person, not a symbol.
- ❖ He is subordinate to God.
- ❖ He does not appear as evil.
- ❖ He does not test his own.



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Satan:

- ❖ He is ubiquitous, but not omnipresent.
- ❖ He opposes God and his people.
- ❖ He knows and misuses Scripture.



Poll logic:

- ❖ About half of Americans believe in the devil.
- ❖ Most Americans believe that evil is caused by humanity rather than supernatural forces.
- ❖ Most Americans believe that humans are inherently good.

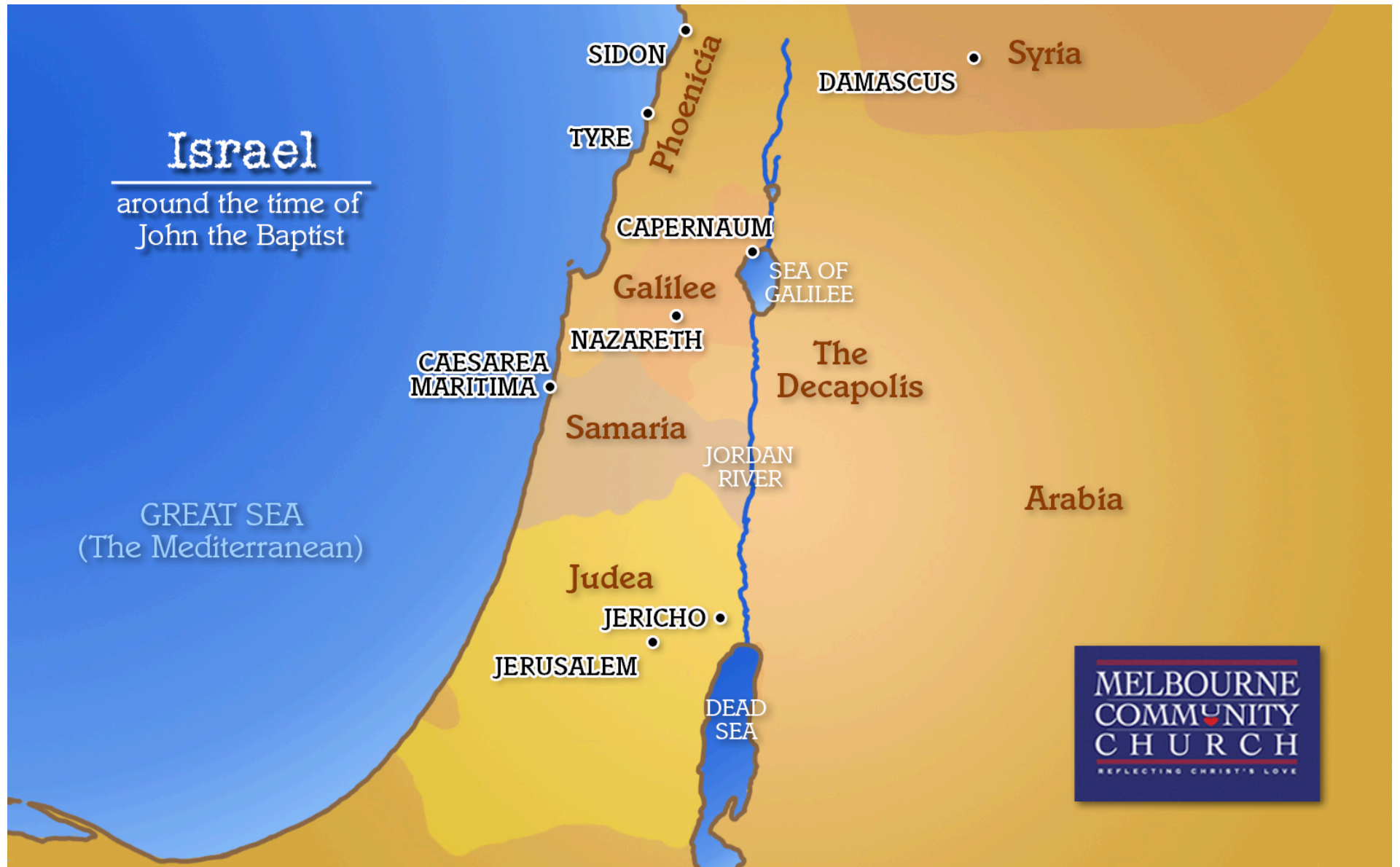


Luke 4:14-15

Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him.

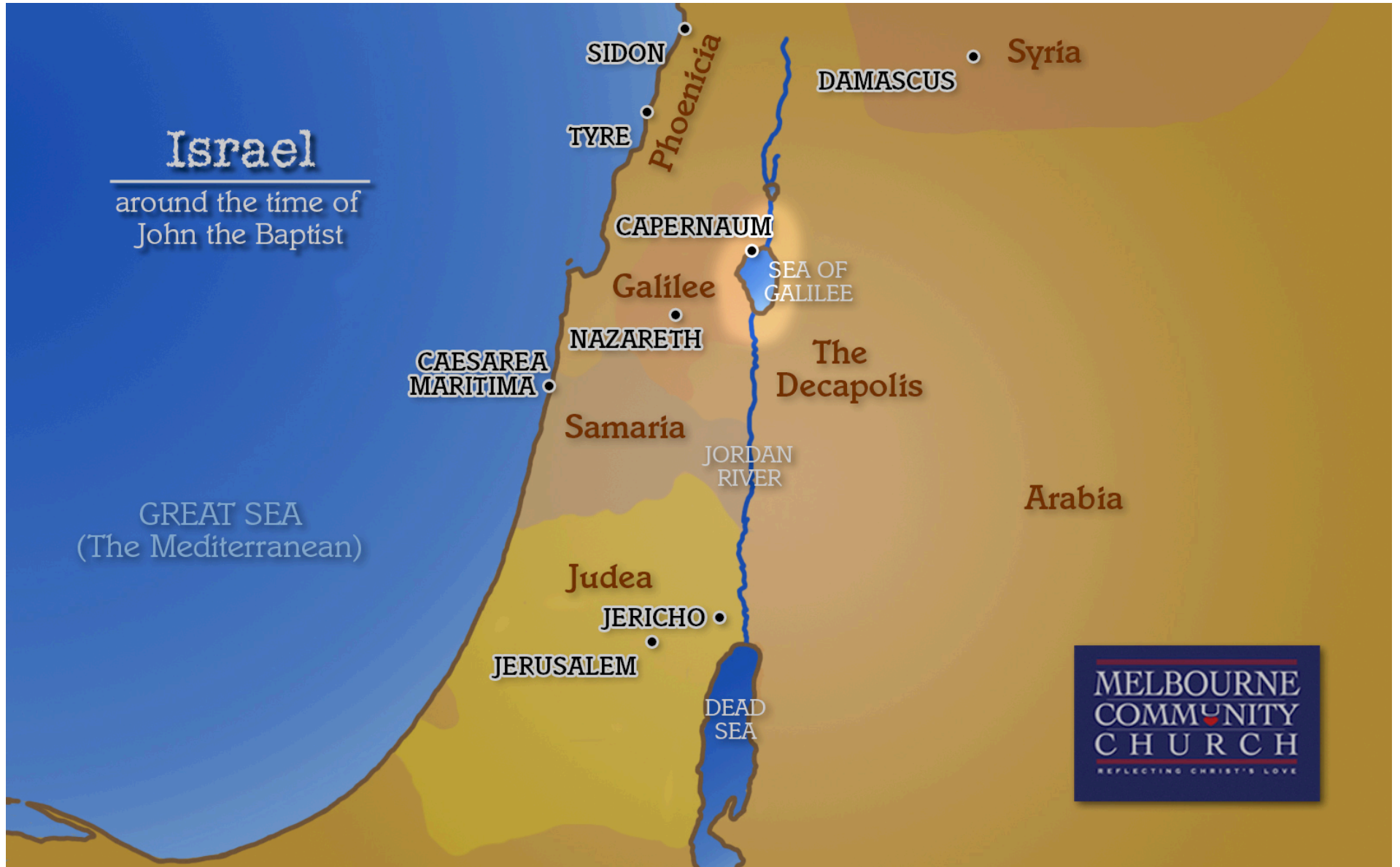
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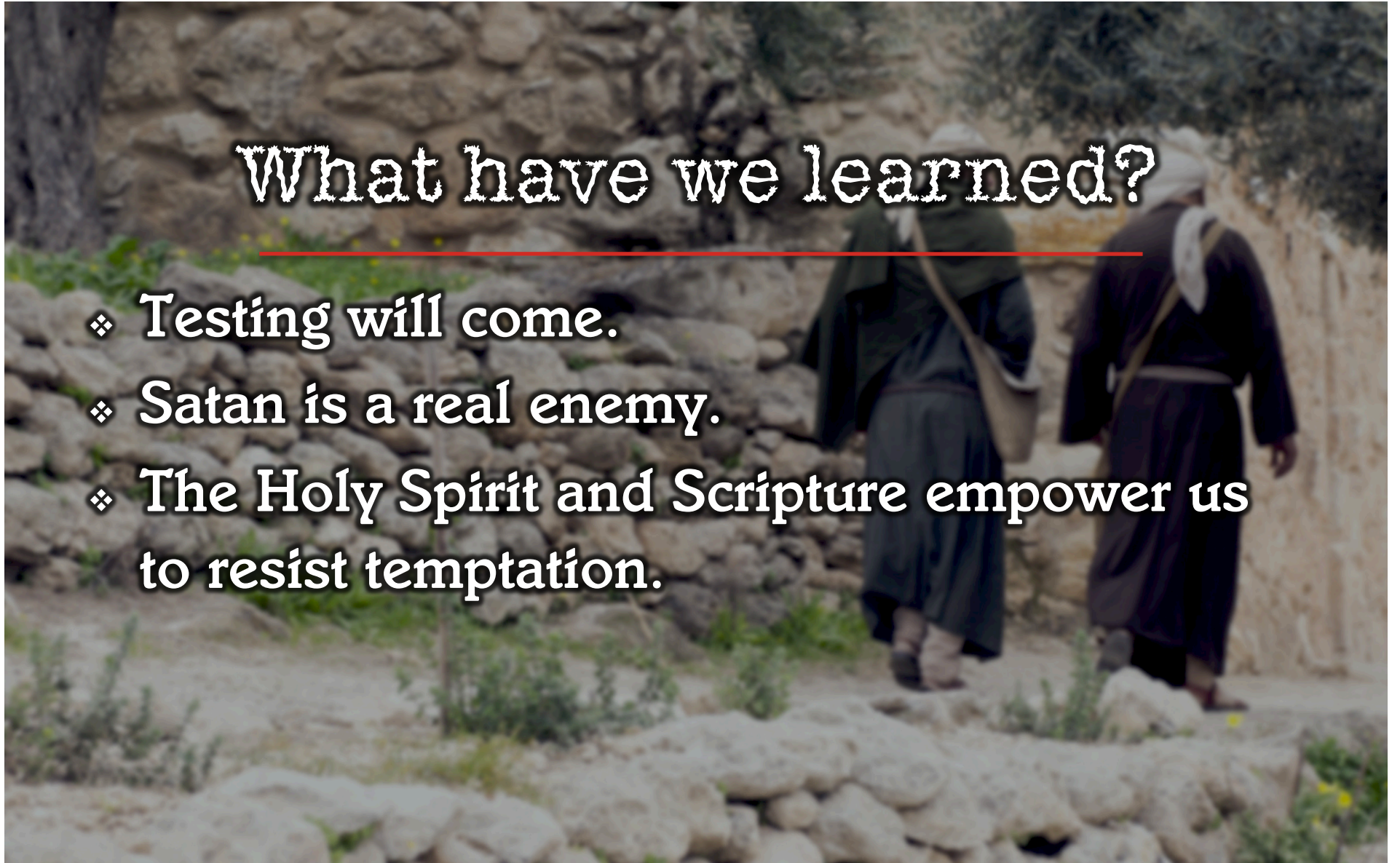
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Are you being called?

- ❖ To receive Christ
- ❖ To become a member of Melbourne Community Church
- ❖ To pray / to receive prayer
- ❖ To affirm or reaffirm a commitment
- ❖ To receive the Lord's Supper



Life Begins in the Womb

❖ Luke 1:15

❖ Luke 1:41

❖ Psalm 22:9-10

❖ Psalm 139:13

❖ Isaiah 49:1

❖ Jeremiah 1:4-5