



SCRIPTURE READING:

Proverbs 4:18 – 27

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The path of the righteous is like the morning sun,
shining ever brighter till the full light of day.

But the way of the wicked is like deep darkness;
they do not know what makes them stumble.

My son, pay attention to what I say;
turn your ear to my words.

Do not let them out of your sight,
keep them within your heart;
for they are life to those who find them
and health to one's whole body.

Above all else, guard your heart,
for everything you do flows from it.

Proverbs 4:18 – 27 (continued)

Keep your mouth free of perversity;
keep corrupt talk far from your lips.

Let your eyes look straight ahead;
fix your gaze directly before you.

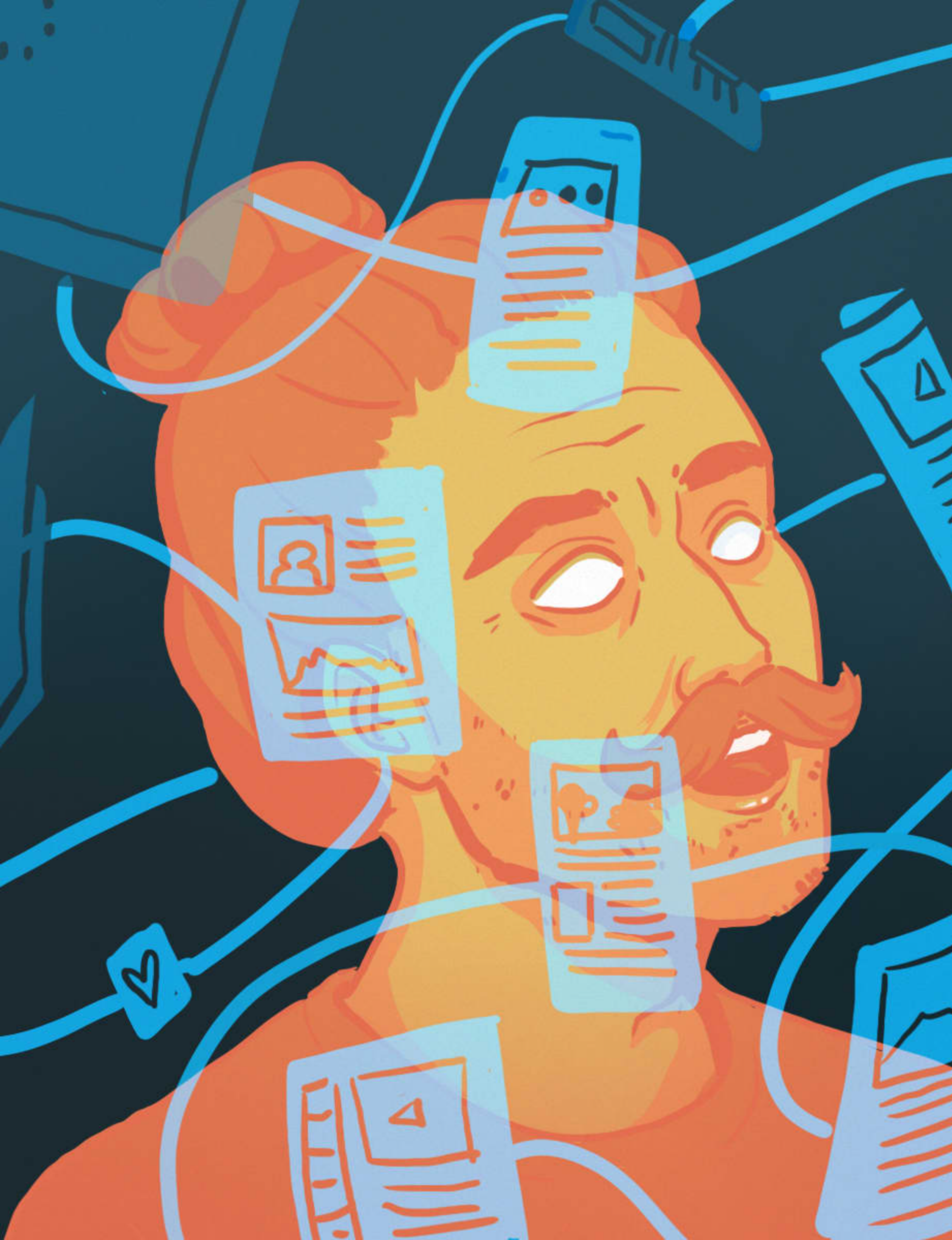
Give careful thought to the paths for your feet
and be steadfast in all your ways.

Do not turn to the right or the left;
keep your foot from evil.

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**AND THE WAY
OF JESUS**



TECHNOPOLY

Highly engrossing tech +
Commercial interests +
Elite conglomeration +
Psych hacking +

False anthropology +
Poor leadership +
Slow science +
Worldliness +

The background features a dark blue field with a complex network of lighter blue lines. These lines are interspersed with various hand-drawn style icons representing technology and communication, such as mobile phones, laptops, and network nodes. The overall aesthetic is modern and digital.

The Technopoly is changing
the **content** of our **faith**.

The **Way of Jesus** can revive it.

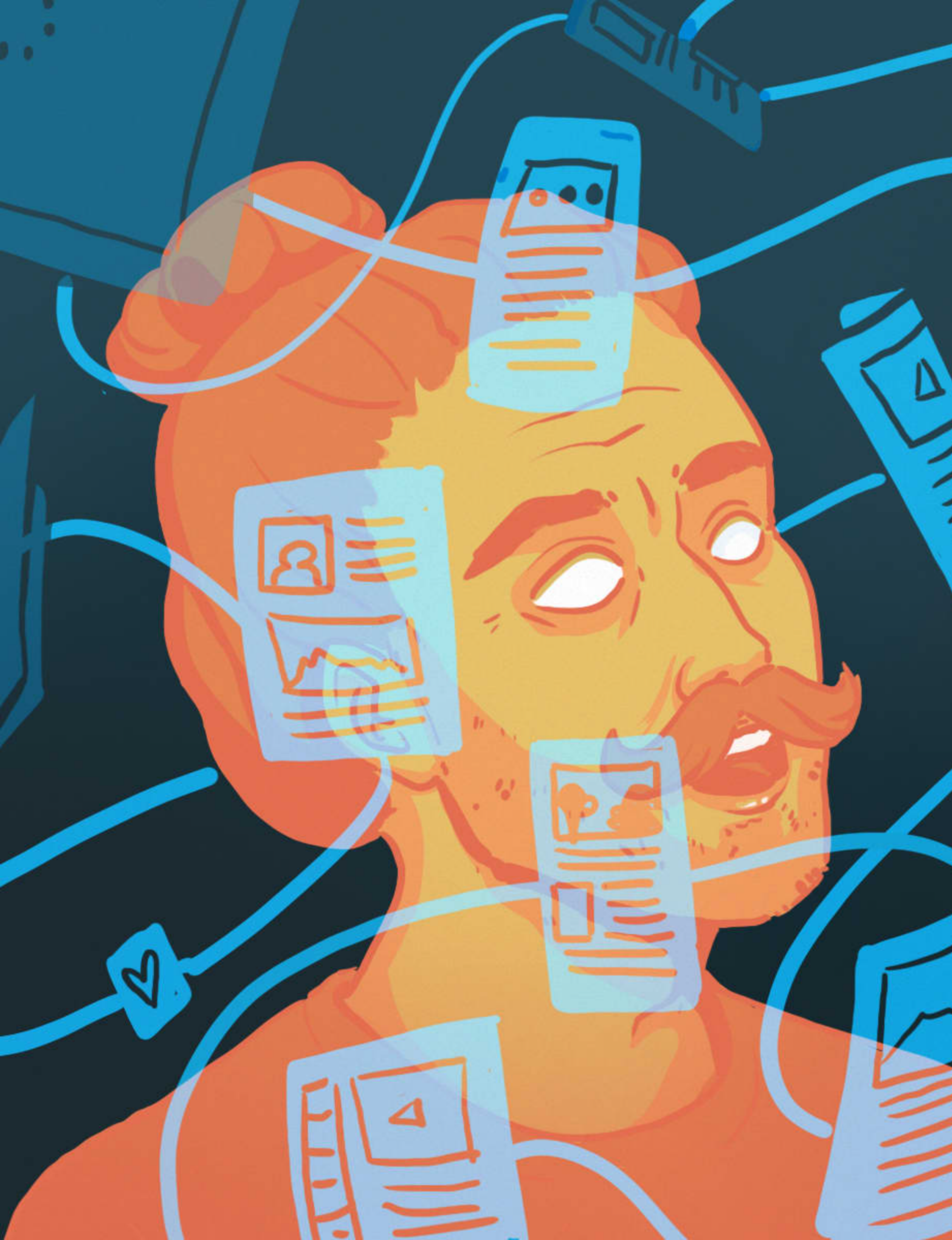


Matthew 28:19 – 20

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations...teaching them **to obey everything I have commanded** you.

Acts 20:26 – 27

Therefore, I declare to you today that I am **innocent** of the blood of all men. **For** I have not hesitated to proclaim to you **the whole counsel of God**.



Technopoly

The technopoly is the most comprehensive method to communicate the whole counsel of worldliness and teach you to obey everything it has commanded.

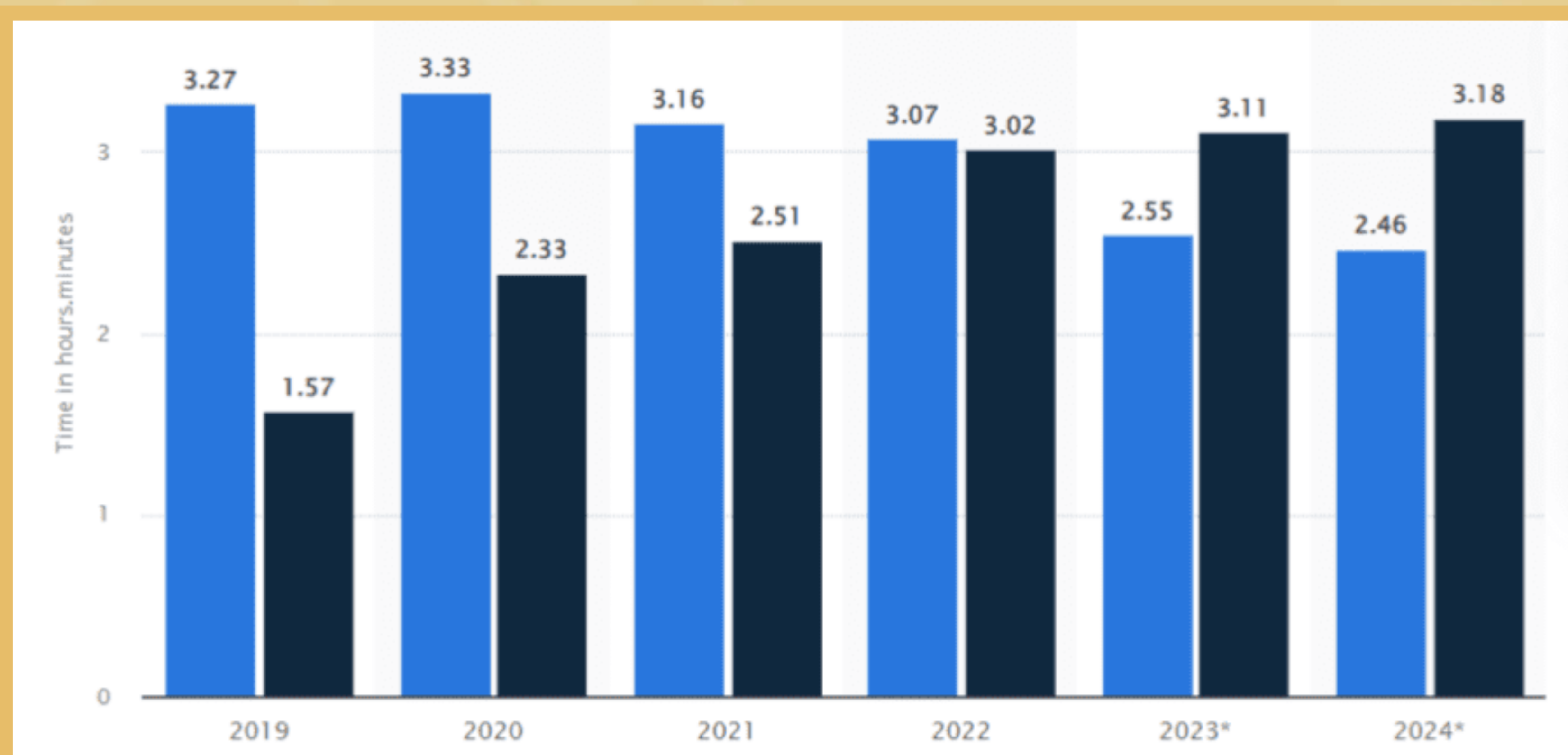
DRIFT MARKERS



You need a relationship to something stationary to see you are drifting.

DRIFT MARKER: TIME 6-7 HRS DAILY / 7 DAYS

That's more than a full time job.



DRIFT MARKER: TIME

We eat the most of the worst.

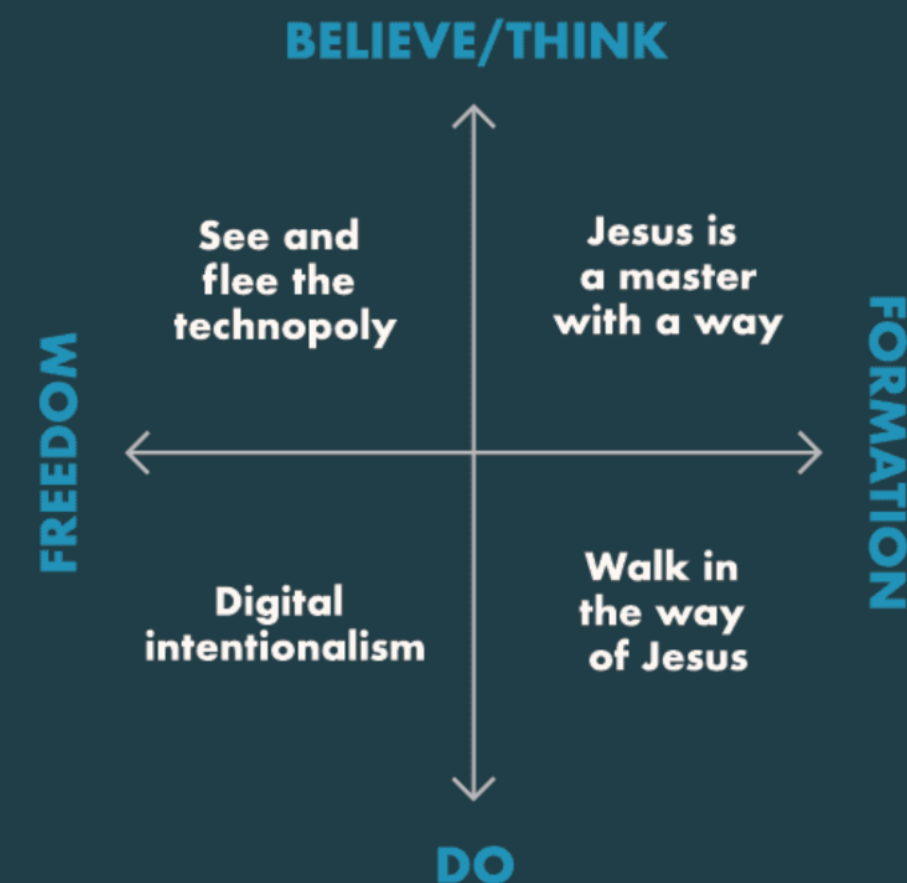


Pick up a handout in the Lobby

or go to
highpointchurch.org/technopoly

TECHNOPOLY AND THE WAY OF JESUS

01 | FOUR GOALS FOR THE SERIES



02 | BIBLICAL ANTHROPOLOGY: WHO ARE YOU?

- ☒ CREATURE
- ☒ DIVINE IMAGE BEARER
- ☒ THE FLESH
- ☒ KINGDOM BUILDER

03 | WILL THE TECHNOPOLY OR THE WAY OF JESUS SHAPE YOUR:

- ☒ FAITH
- ☒ TIME
- ☒ FORMATION
- ☒ LOVE

04 | FOUR QUESTIONS TO ASK OURSELVES

- 1 What bad tech behaviors have we slid into?
- 2 Why did we think they would work?
- 3 What is the basic humane truth we distorted along the way?
- 4 How does Jesus tell us to turn it right side up again?

BELIEVE/THINK

FREEDOM

**See and
flee the
technopoly**

**Jesus is
a master
with a way**

FORMATION

**Digital
intentionalism**

**Walk in
the way
of Jesus**

DO

03

WILL THE TECHNOLOGY OR THE WAY OF JESUS SHAPE YOUR:



FAITH



TIME



FORMATION



LOVE



FAITH



TIME



FORMATION



LOVE

Mind

Strength

Soul

Heart

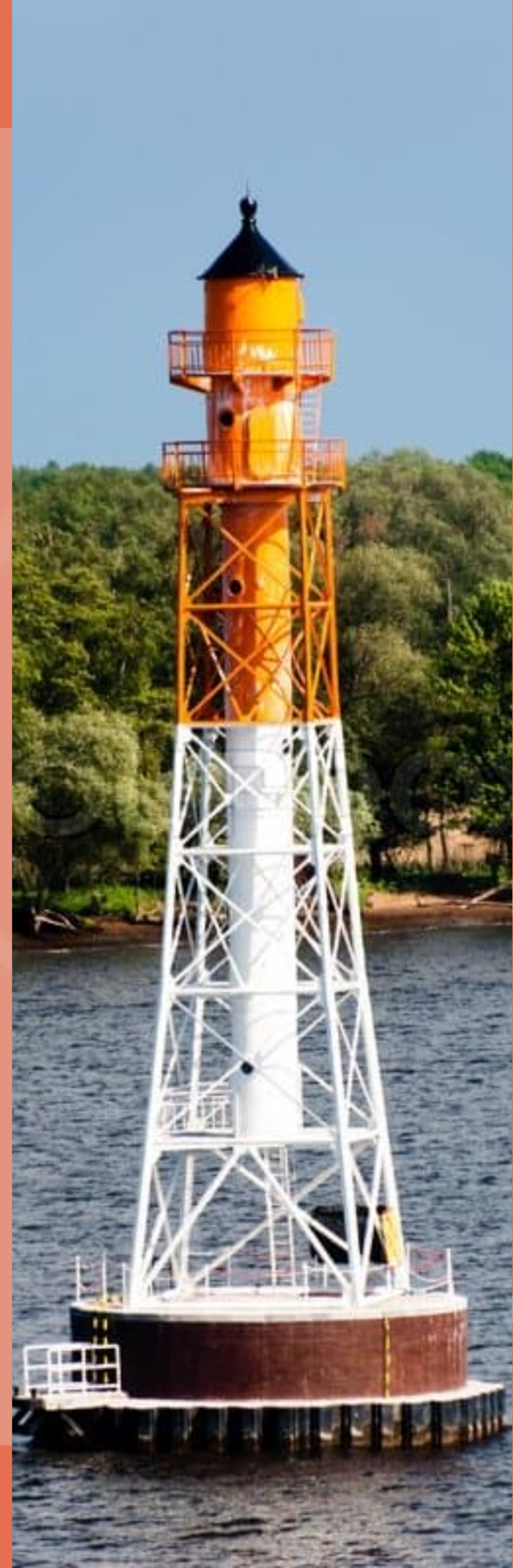
FAITH'S 'MARKERS'

God's key commands: 10 commandments

Deeper virtue and vice: 7 deadly sins

Perennial denials: Sexuality and money

(an intuitive-objective exercise)



10 COMMANDMENTS

No other Gods	vs.	Follow what's popular
No idols	vs.	Make your God
No vain speech	vs.	Spontaneous speech
Sabbath	vs.	Any rhythm
Honor Parents	vs.	Disregard parents
Do not murder	vs.	Unleash wrath
No adultery	vs.	Unleash lust
No theft	vs.	Take what you want
No lies	vs.	Look good
No coveting	vs.	Resent privilege

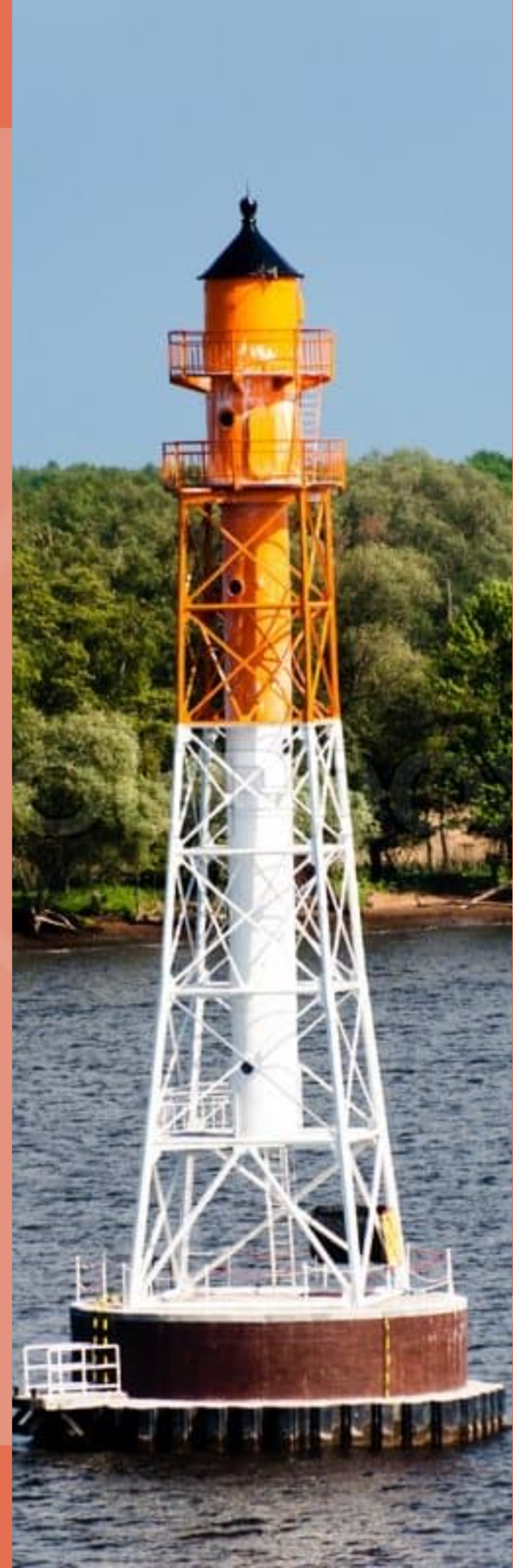
DYNAMICS: 7 SINS

Pride	vs.	Humility
Envy	vs.	Charity
Avarice/Greed	vs.	Contentment/Generosity
Wrath	vs.	Meekness
Sloth/Acedia	vs.	Diligence/Fervor/Zeal
Gluttony	vs.	Temperance
Lust	vs.	Chasteness/Sanctity

CLASSIC DENIAL: SEX AND GREED

Sexual Ethic: Licentiousness/Infertility
(Expressive individualism)

Wealth Ethic: Decadent/Unproductive
(We deserve the productivity of others)



PROBLEM OF ABSORPTION

The bully pulpit and empathetic framing and scientism

Multi-source repetition

Art adorning worldliness: "the good adulterer"

The overton window and "Nudges" (in/convenience)

Honor, dishonor and believability: "unthinking the unfeelable"

3rd use of the law: resistance is conspiracy

Humiliation: mockery and moral reversal

Emotional absorption manifests as
"breakthrough thought" and "unbelievability"

SOLUTION:

**Faith must mean to
pursue God's wisdom
as a WAY of life**

Proverbs 9:10

"The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom,
and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding."

THE WISDOM DISTINCTION AND DIVIDER: 1 CORINTHIANS 1-2

5 problems in the "wisdom of the World"

1. No fear of God
2. The Gospel (1:18 – 20)
3. God uses weakness (1:26 – 31)
4. The man Jesus the Christ (2:1 – 9)
5. Realization is of the Spirit (2:10 – 16)

GET A HEART OF WISDOM

Pursue the mind of Christ

Guard your heart

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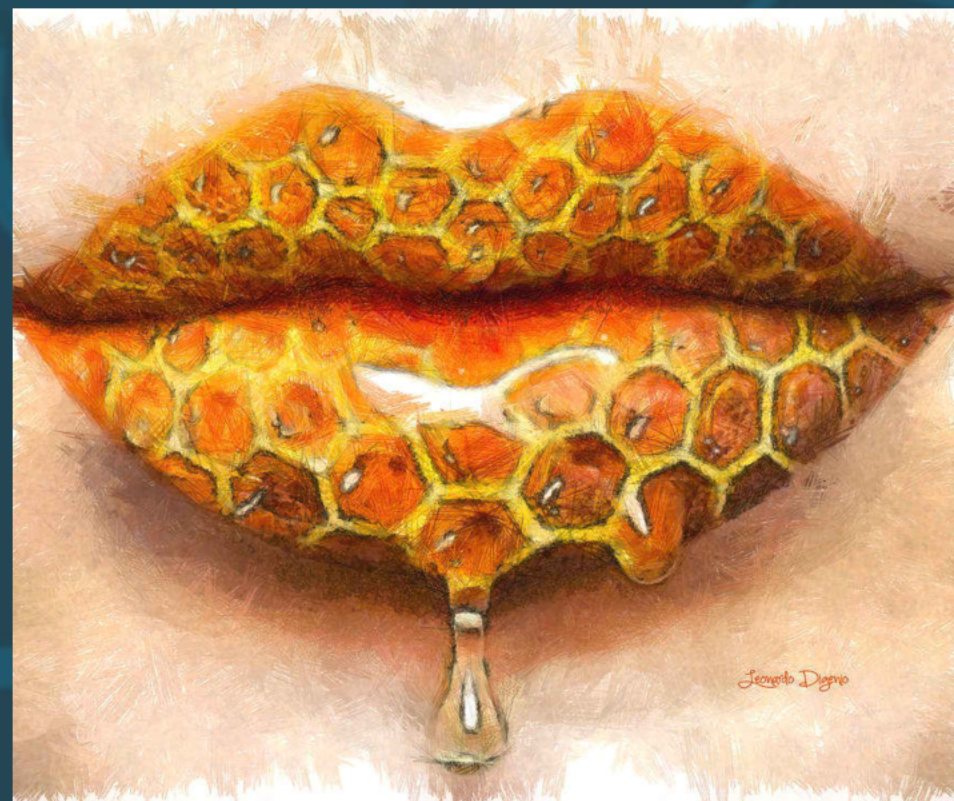
Psalms 90:12, 1 Corinthians 2:16, Proverbs 4:23

YOU NEED A CLEAR HEAD

James 4:4

You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world is hatred towards God? Anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God.

FAITH AND WISDOM



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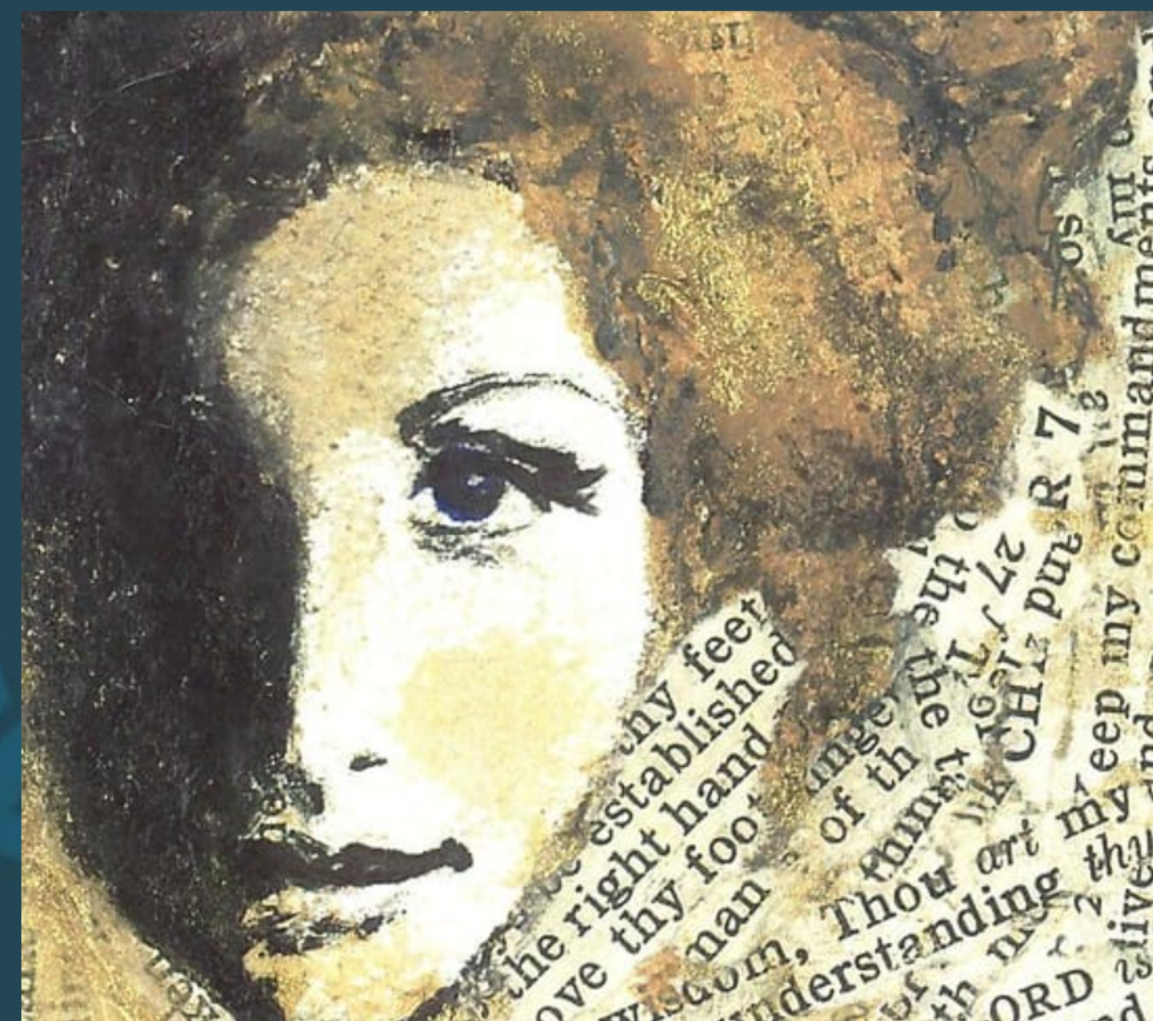
Proverbs 5, 7



Mocker
(pride and sloth)



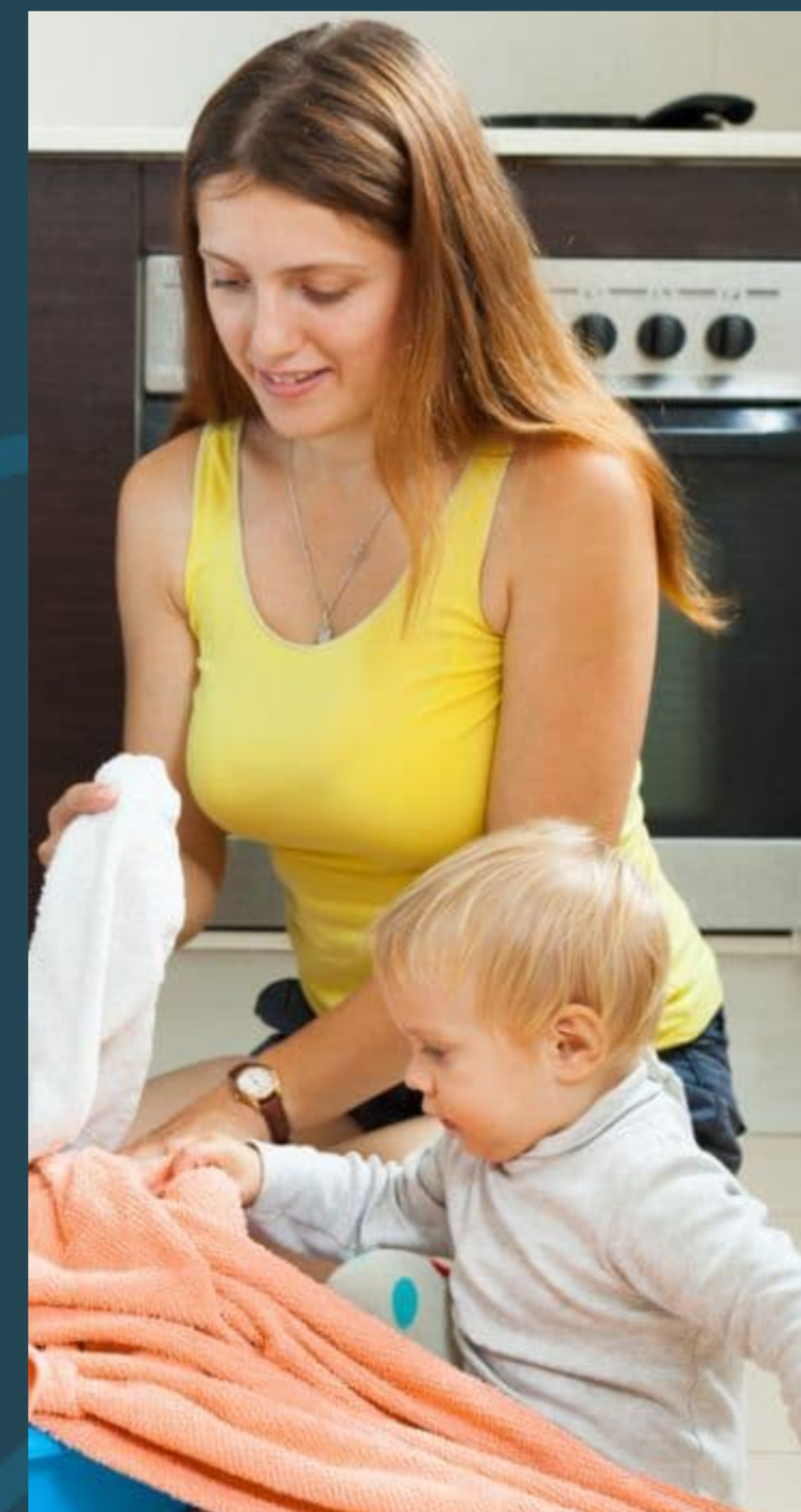
Misery



Goodness



Wisdom

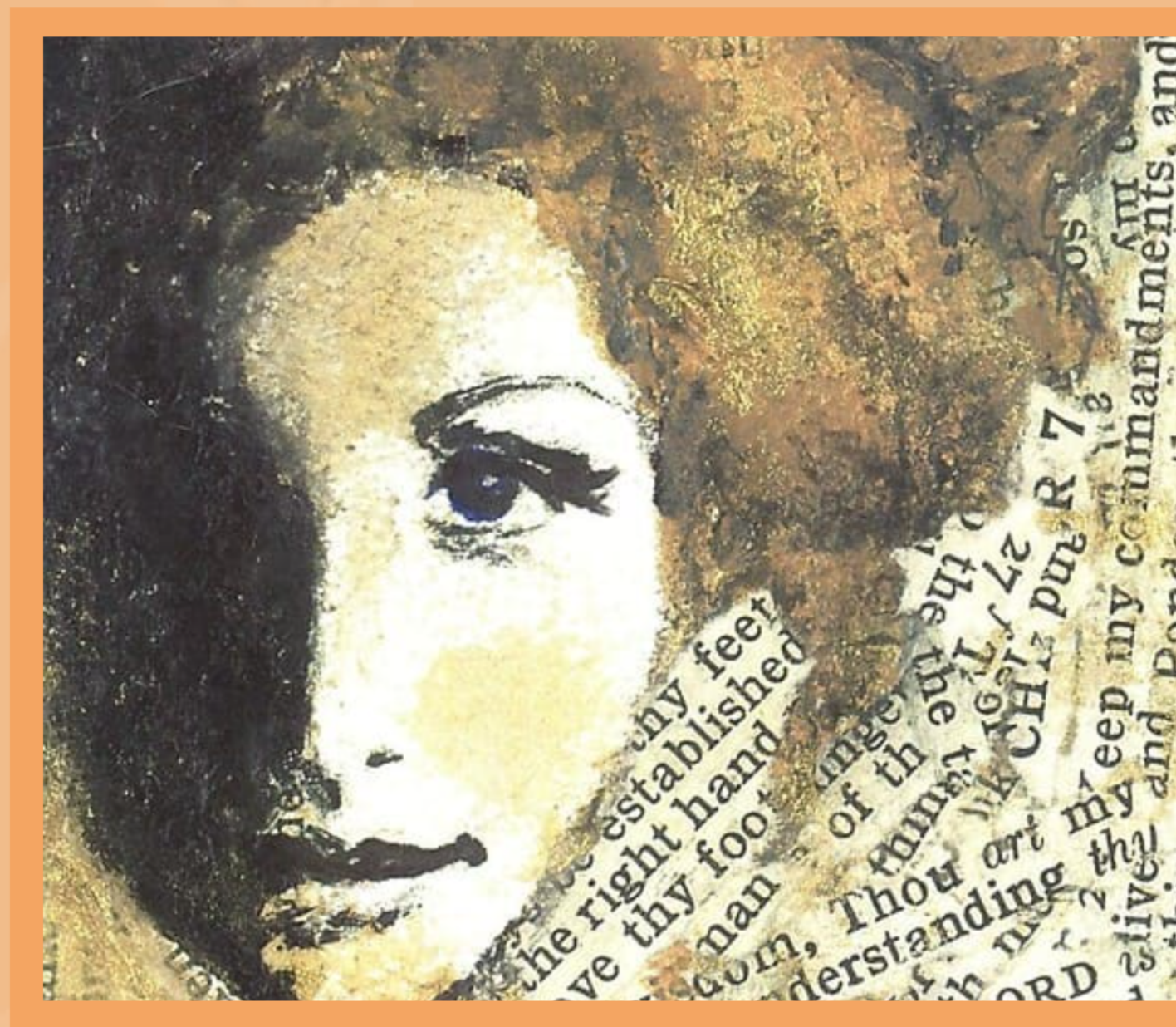


Blessing

THE WAY OF WISDOM

The Way, Truth and Life. Proverbs 1-4

IS



The Way of Jesus
The Way of Faith

FAITH PURSUES THE MIND OF CHRIST

Pursuit of precepts

Practices of absorption

Limiting worldliness and embracing godliness

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