



SCRIPTURE READING

1 Peter 3:13-22 Page 1730

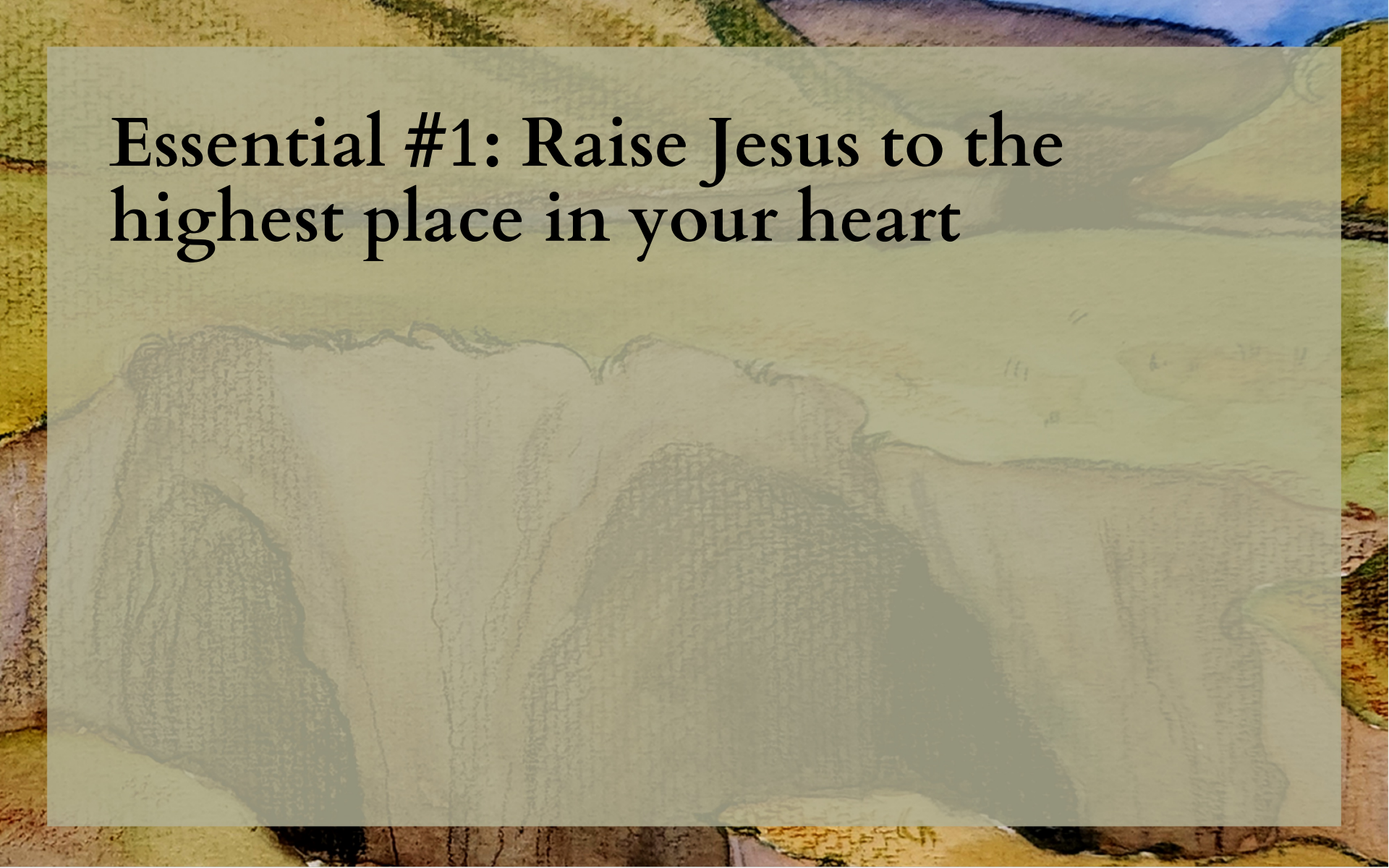


1 PETER

HOPE FOR WHEN THE
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1 Peter 3:15a

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Isaiah 8:12-15

“Do not call conspiracy
everything this people calls a conspiracy;
do not fear what they fear,
and do not dread it.

The Lord Almighty is the one you are to regard as holy,
he is the one you are to fear,
he is the one you are to dread.

He will be a holy place;
for both Israel and Judah he will be
a stone that causes people to stumble
and a rock that makes them fall.

And for the people of Jerusalem he will be
a trap and a snare.

Many of them will stumble;
they will fall and be broken,
they will be snared and captured.”



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1 Peter 3:13

“Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good?”

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1 Peter 3:14

“But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed.”

Psalm 34 blessings

“The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous,
and his ears are attentive to their cry; (verse 15)

The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears them;
he delivers them from all their troubles. (verse 17)

The righteous person may have many troubles,
but the Lord delivers him from them all;
he protects all his bones,
not one of them will be broken. (verses 19-20)

The Lord will rescue his servants;
no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned. (verse 22)”

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Matthew 5:10-12

“Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

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1 Peter 3:15b–16

“Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander.”

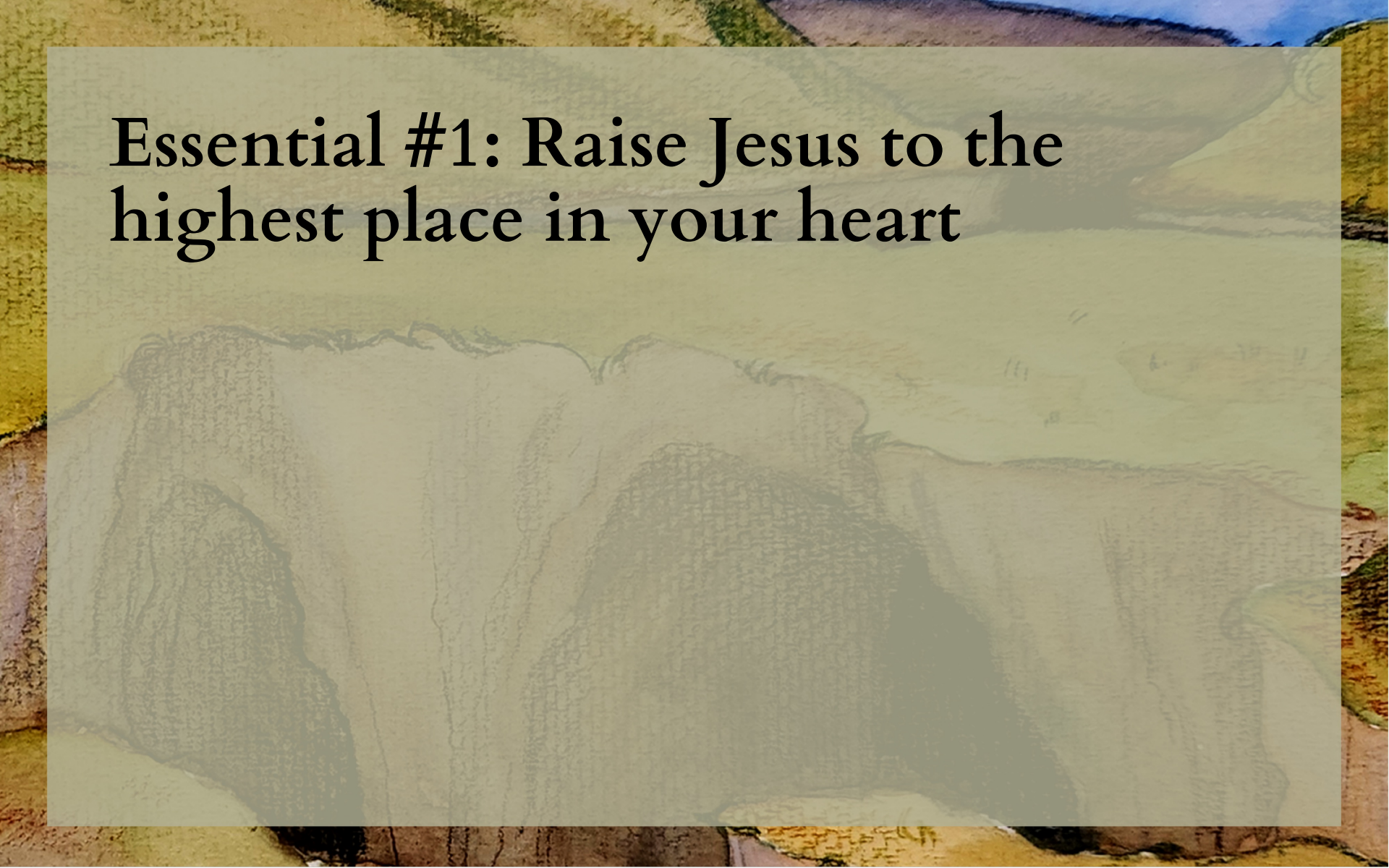
1 Peter 2:12

“Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.”

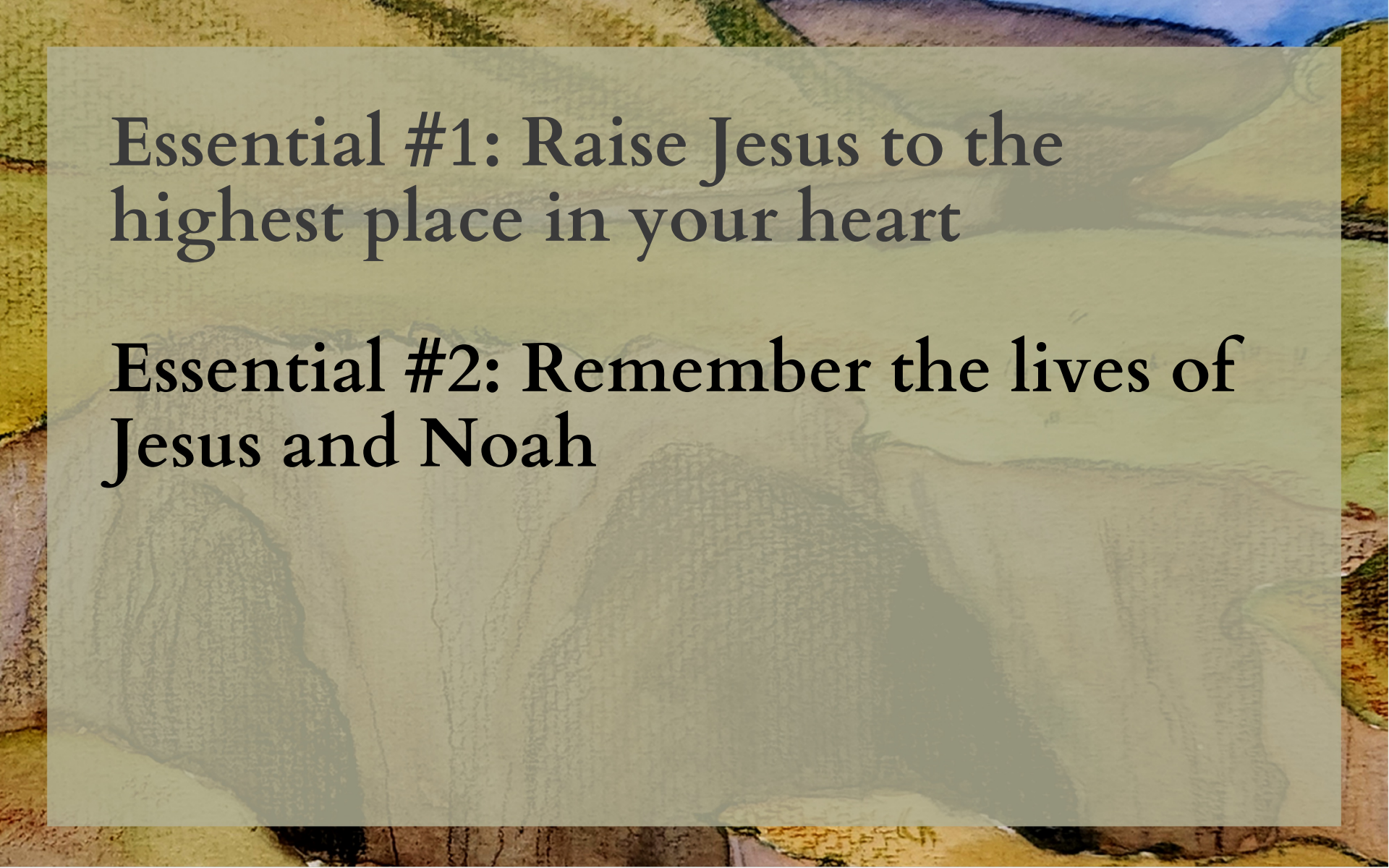


1 Peter 3:17

“For it is better, if it is God's will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil.”

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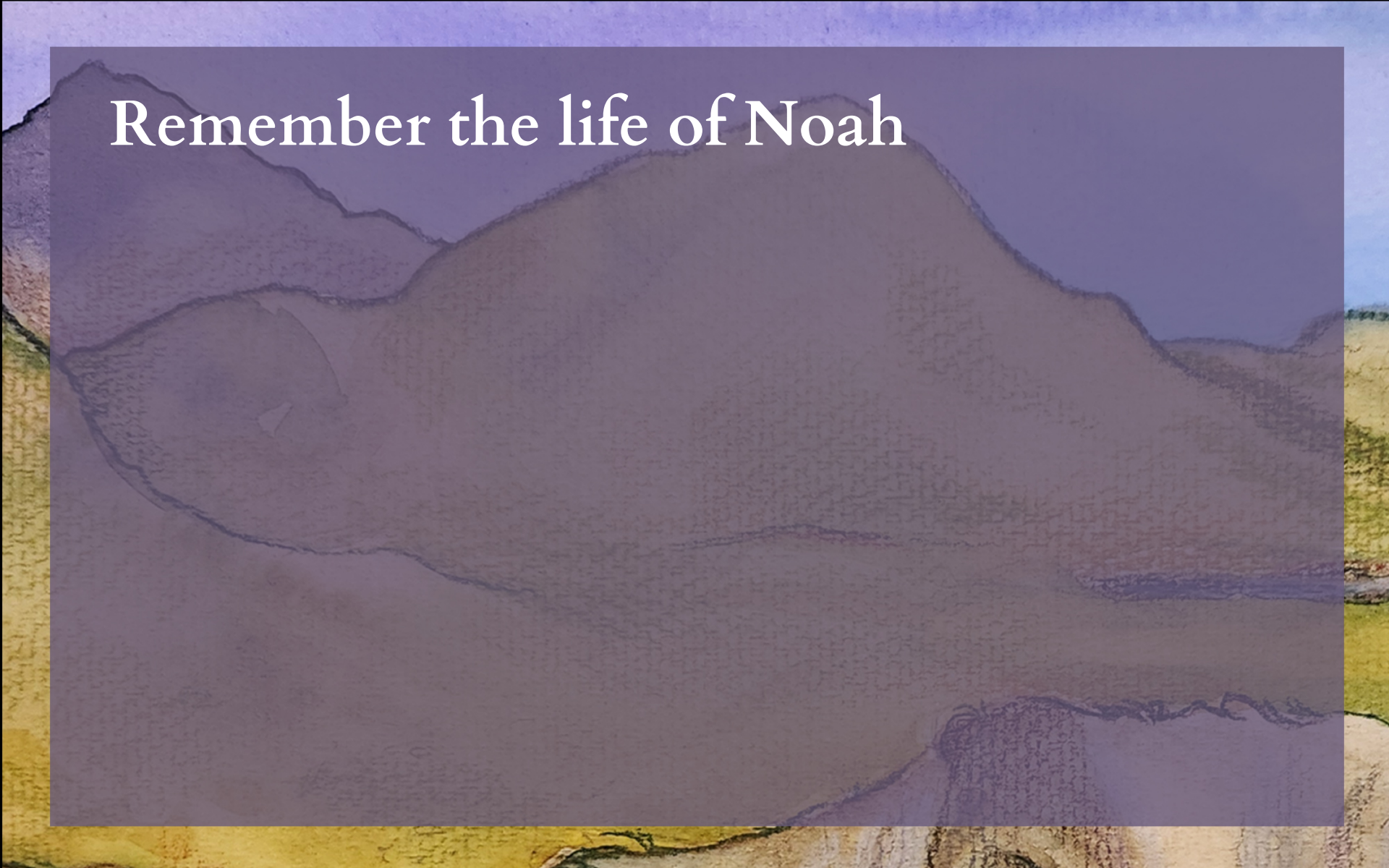
1 Peter 3:22

“[Jesus], who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand—with angels, authorities, and powers in submission to him.”

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1 Peter 3:19–20a

“After being made alive, he (Jesus) went and made proclamation to the imprisoned spirits—to those who were disobedient long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built...”

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1 Peter 3:20b-21

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