

JESUS, OUR FAITHFUL APOSTLE AND HIGH PRIEST

HEBREWS CHAPTERS 3 AND 4

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KEY VERSE 3:1

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**I. FIX YOUR THOUGHTS ON JESUS,
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(CHAPTER 3:1-19)

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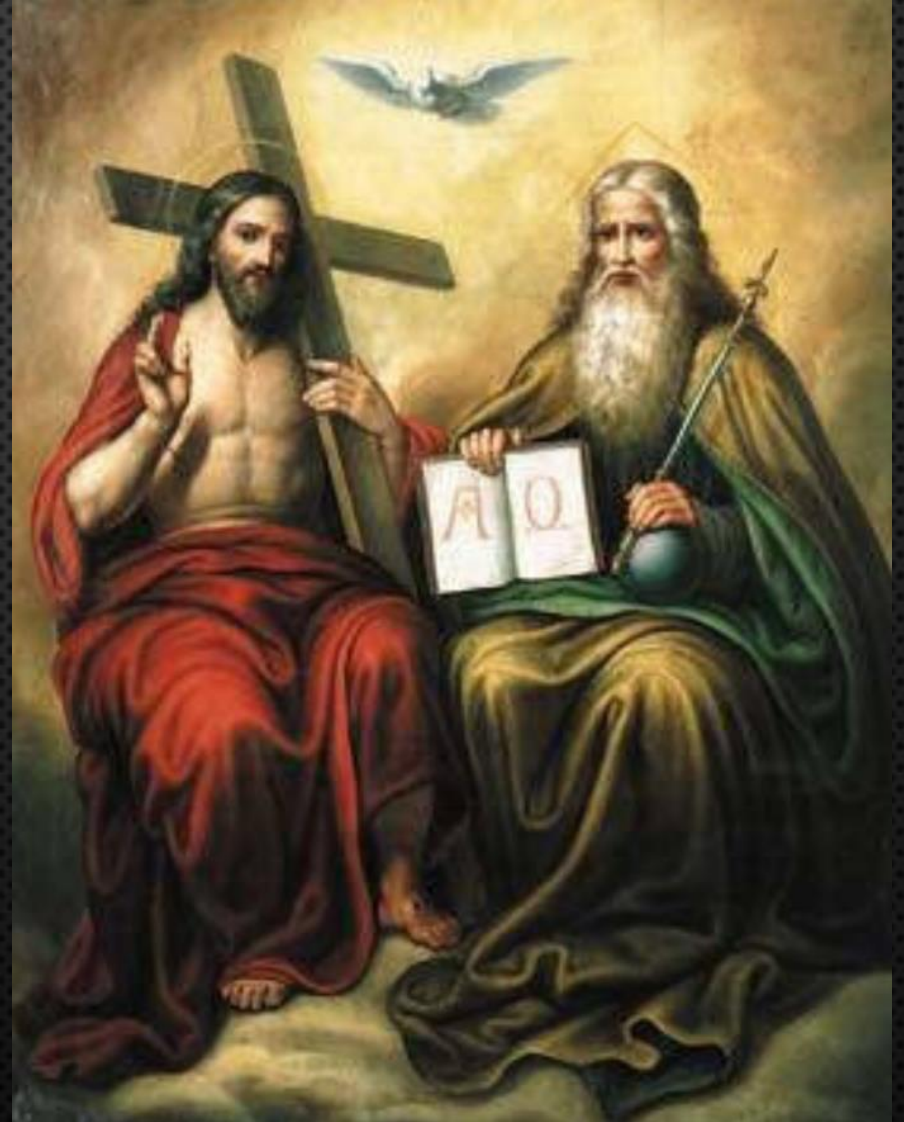
...YOU WILL BE FOR ME A **KINGDOM OF PRIESTS AND**
A HOLY NATION...

EXODUS 19:6A

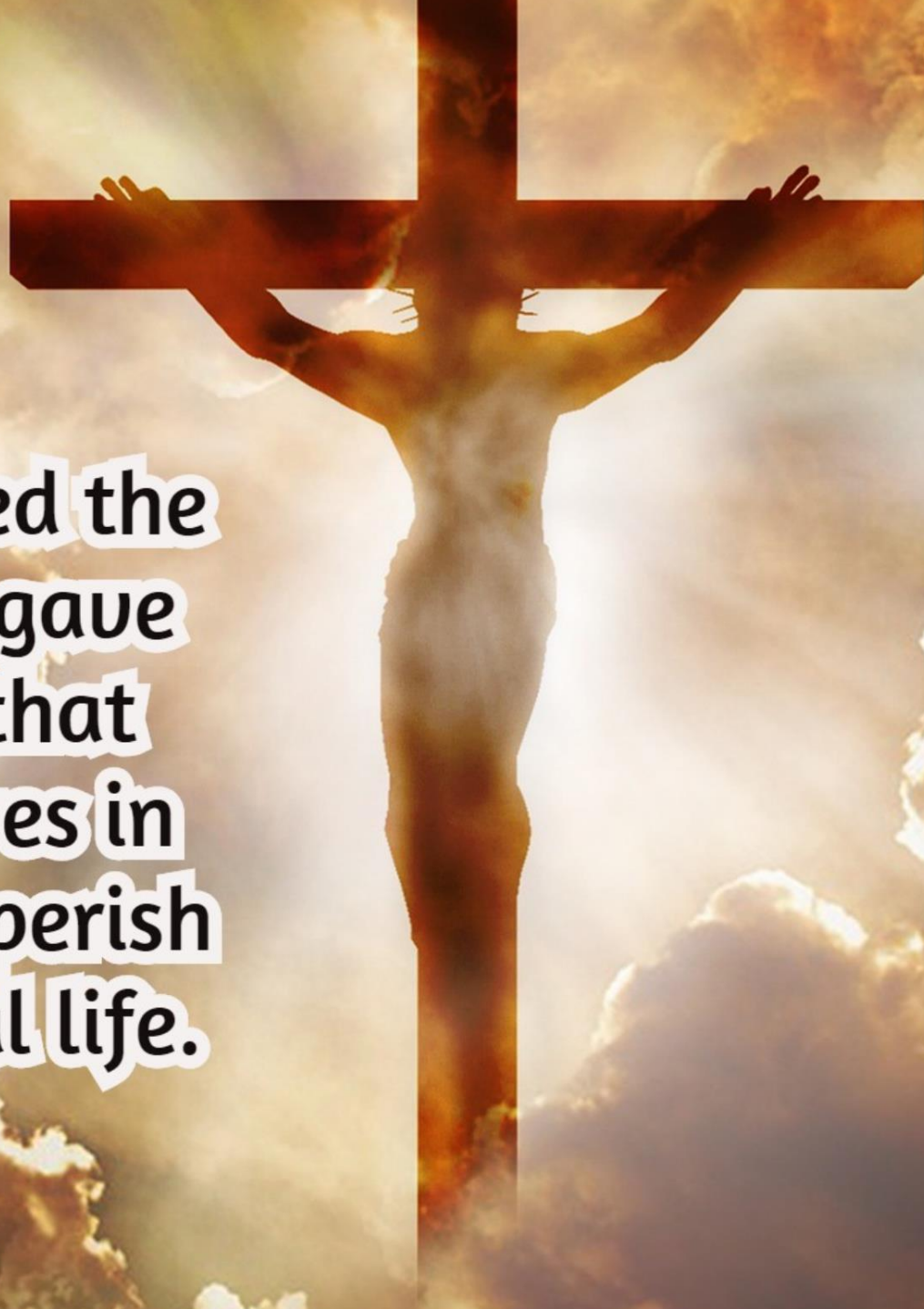
BUT YOU ARE **A CHOSEN PEOPLE, A ROYAL
PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION,** GOD'S SPECIAL
POSSESSION, THAT YOU MAY DECLARE THE PRAISES OF
HIM WHO CALLED YOU OUT OF DARKNESS INTO HIS
WONDERFUL LIGHT.

1 PETER 2:9

ΑPOSTLE = ἈΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΣ ΑΡΌΣΤΟΛΟΣ
THE ONE WHO IS SENT OFF







“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

**6 BUT CHRIST IS FAITHFUL AS THE SON OVER GOD'S
HOUSE. AND WE ARE HIS HOUSE, IF INDEED WE HOLD
FIRMLY TO OUR CONFIDENCE AND THE HOPE IN WHICH
WE GLORY.**



A VAST ARMY OF GOD

EZ 37:10



7 SO, AS THE HOLY SPIRIT SAYS: “**TODAY**, IF YOU
HEAR HIS VOICE,

8 DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS AS YOU DID IN THE
REBELLION, DURING THE TIME OF TESTING IN THE
WILDERNESS.

13 BUT ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER DAILY, AS LONG
AS IT IS CALLED “**TODAY**”, SO THAT NONE OF YOU
MAY BE HARDENED BY SIN’S DECEITFULNESS.

BUT **REJOICE** INASMUCH AS YOU PARTICIPATE IN THE
SUFFERINGS OF CHRIST, SO THAT YOU MAY BE
OVERJOYED WHEN HIS **GLORY** IS REVEALED.

1 PETER 4:13



II. CHRIST, THE REST OF GOD

(CHAPTER 4:1-16)

**1 THEREFORE, SINCE THE PROMISE OF ENTERING HIS
REST STILL STANDS, LET US BE CAREFUL THAT NONE OF
YOU BE FOUND TO HAVE FALLEN SHORT OF IT.**

3B ...AND YET HIS WORKS HAVE BEEN FINISHED SINCE
THE CREATION OF THE WORLD.

7 GOD AGAIN SET A CERTAIN DAY, CALLING IT
“**TODAY**”. THIS HE DID WHEN A LONG TIME LATER HE
SPOKE THROUGH DAVID, AS IN THE PASSAGE ALREADY
QUOTED: “**TODAY**”, IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE, DO NOT
HARDEN YOUR HEARTS.

8 FOR IF JOSHUA HAD GIVEN THEM REST, GOD WOULD
NOT HAVE SPOKEN LATER ABOUT ANOTHER DAY.

9 THERE REMAINS, THEN, **A SABBATH-REST** FOR THE PEOPLE
OF GOD;

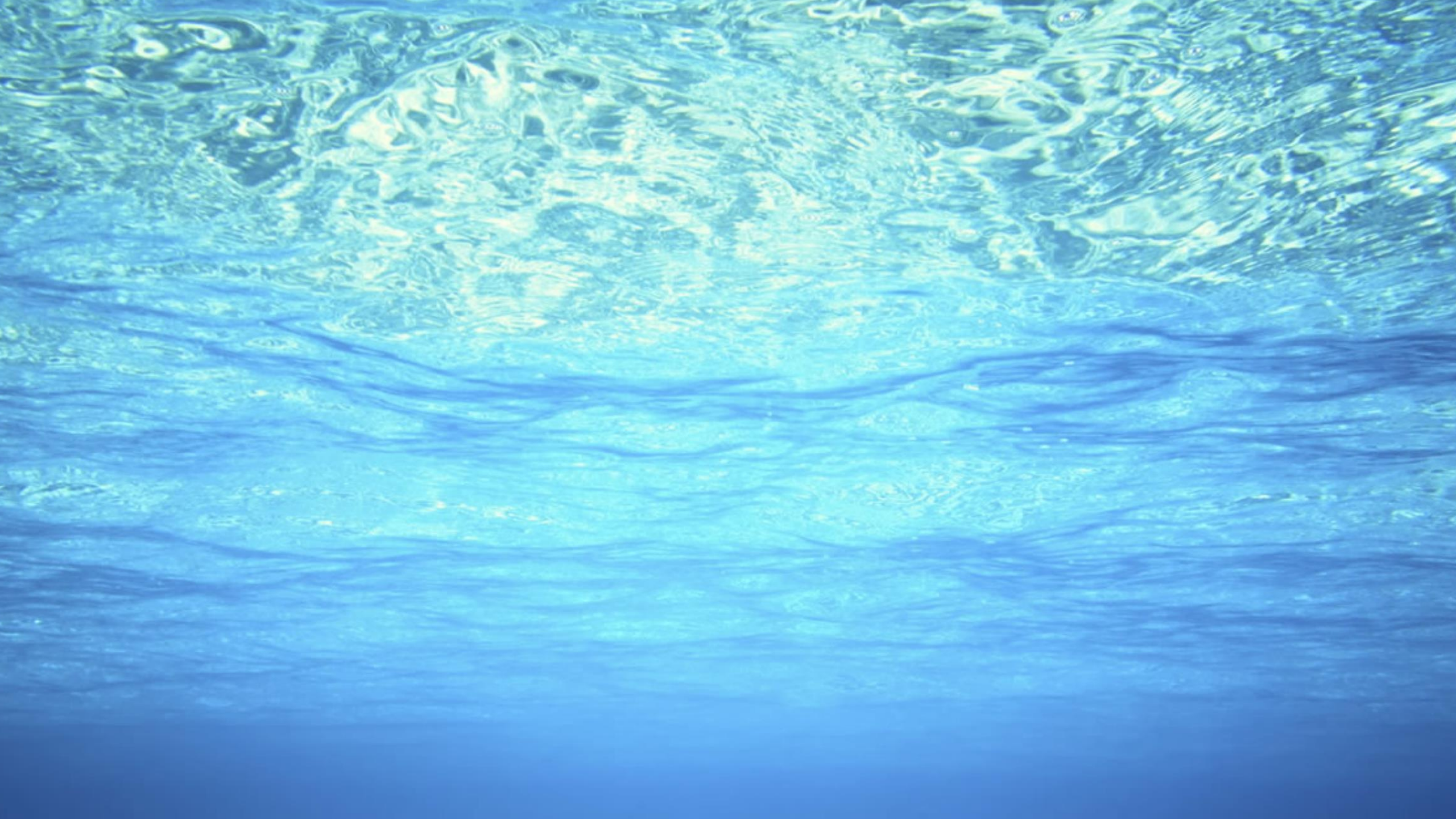
10 FOR ANYONE WHO ENTERS GOD'S REST ALSO RESTS
FROM THEIR WORKS, JUST AS GOD DID FROM HIS.

TRUE REST?



TRUE REST!





11 LET US, THEREFORE, MAKE **EVERY EFFORT** TO ENTER
THAT REST, SO THAT NO ONE WILL PERISH BY
FOLLOWING THEIR EXAMPLE OF DISOBEDIENCE.

12 FOR THE WORD OF GOD IS ALIVE AND ACTIVE.
SHARPER THAN ANY DOUBLE-EDGED SWORD, IT
PENETRATES EVEN TO DIVIDING SOUL AND SPIRIT,
JOINTS AND MARROW; IT JUDGES THE THOUGHTS AND
ATTITUDES OF THE HEART.

13 NOTHING IN ALL CREATION IS HIDDEN FROM
GOD'S SIGHT. EVERYTHING IS UNCOVERED AND LAID
BARE BEFORE THE EYES OF HIM TO WHOM WE MUST
GIVE ACCOUNT.

MAKE EVERY EFFORT: THE WORD OF GOD...

- ...**STUDY IT**
- ...**LIVE BY IT**
- ...**OBEY**



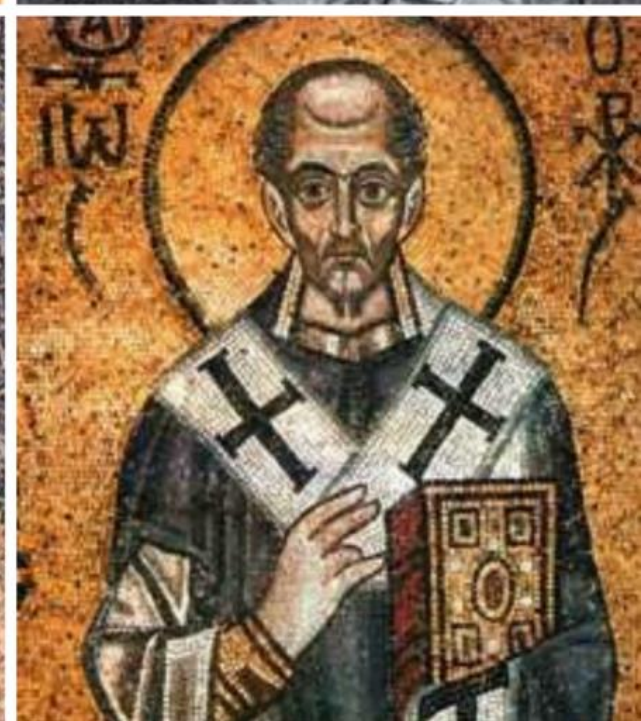
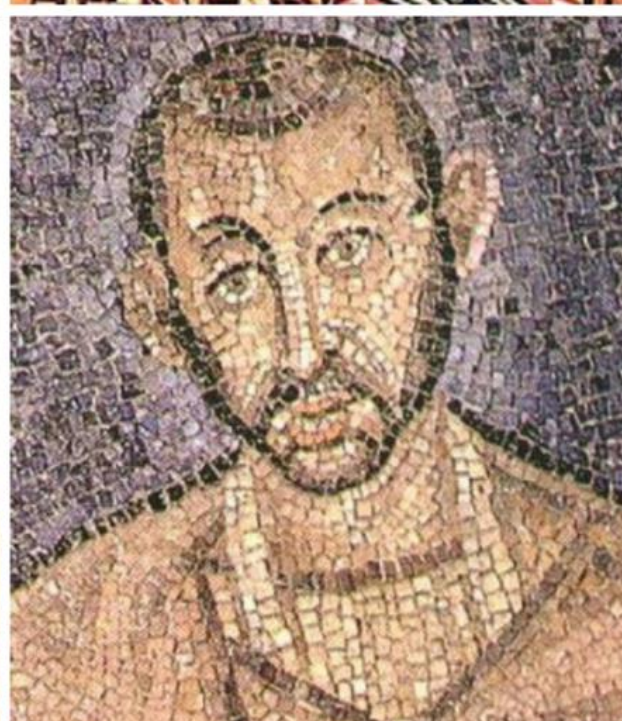
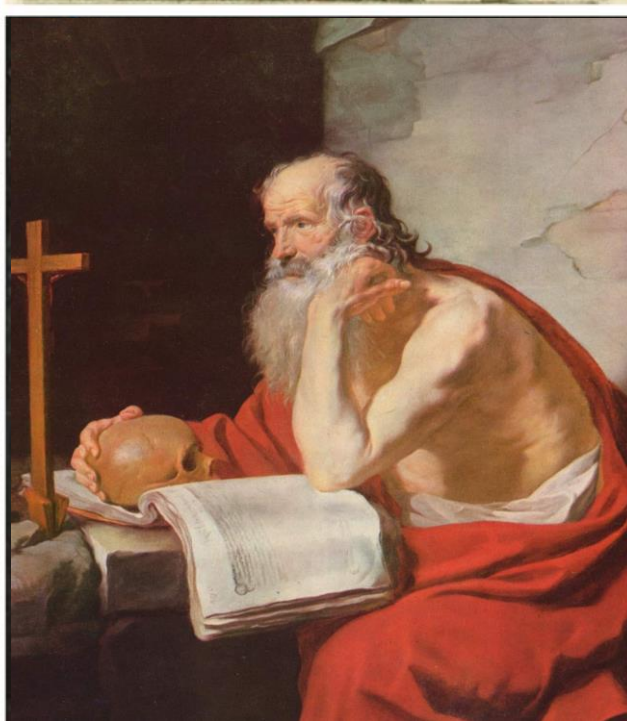
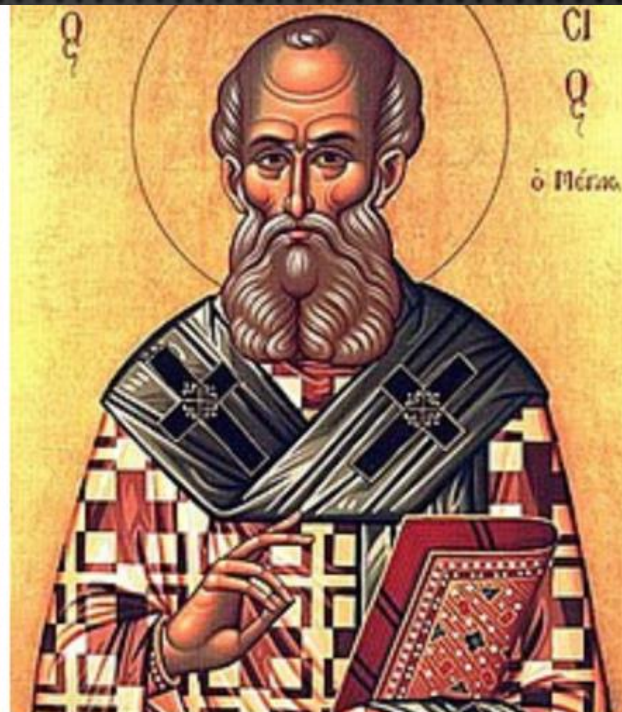
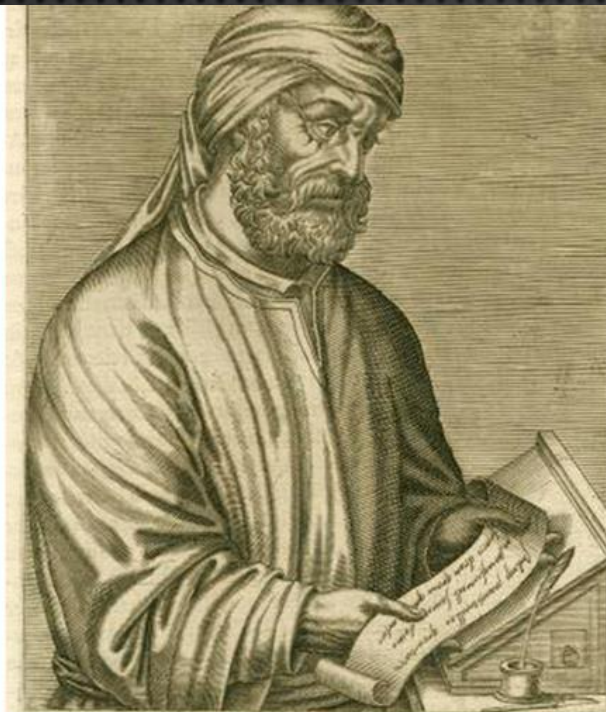
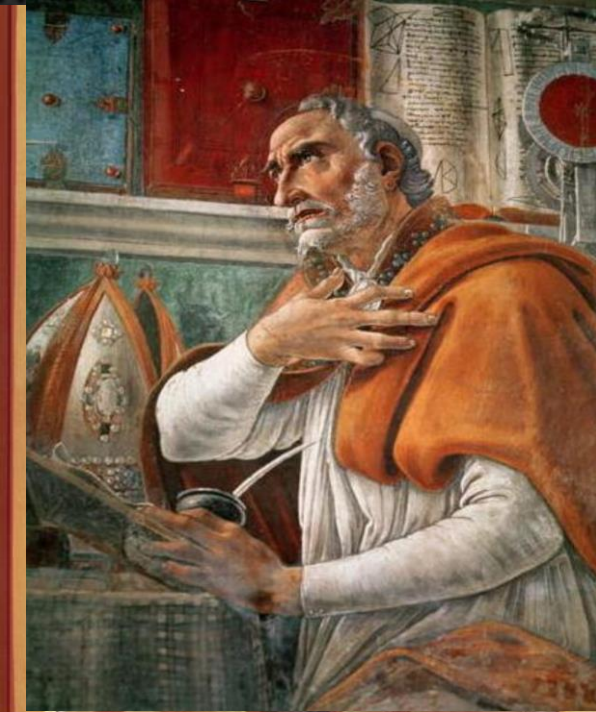
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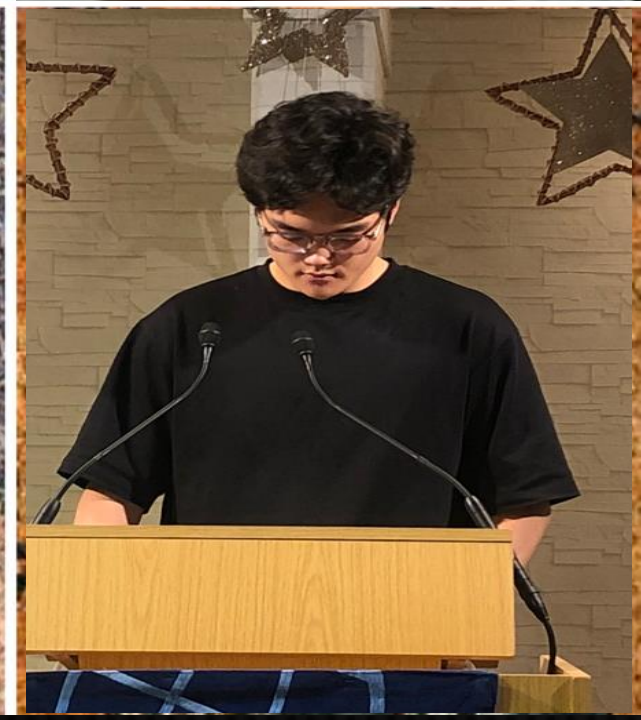
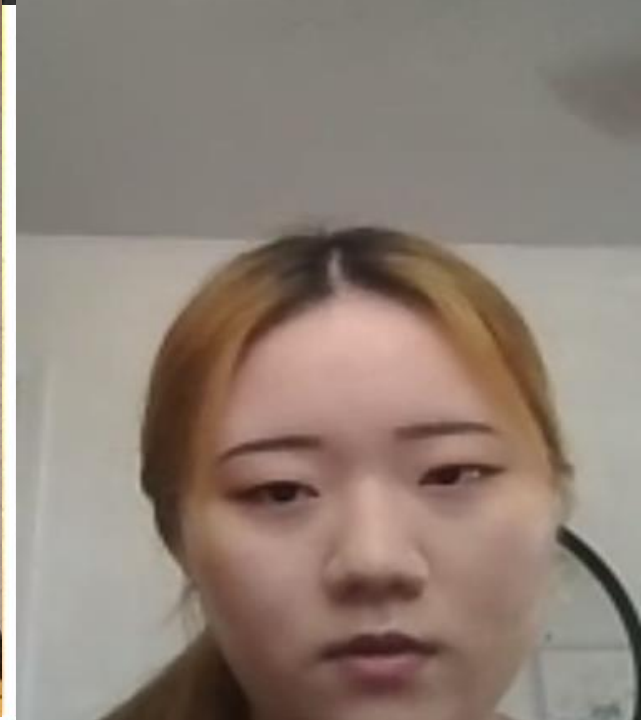


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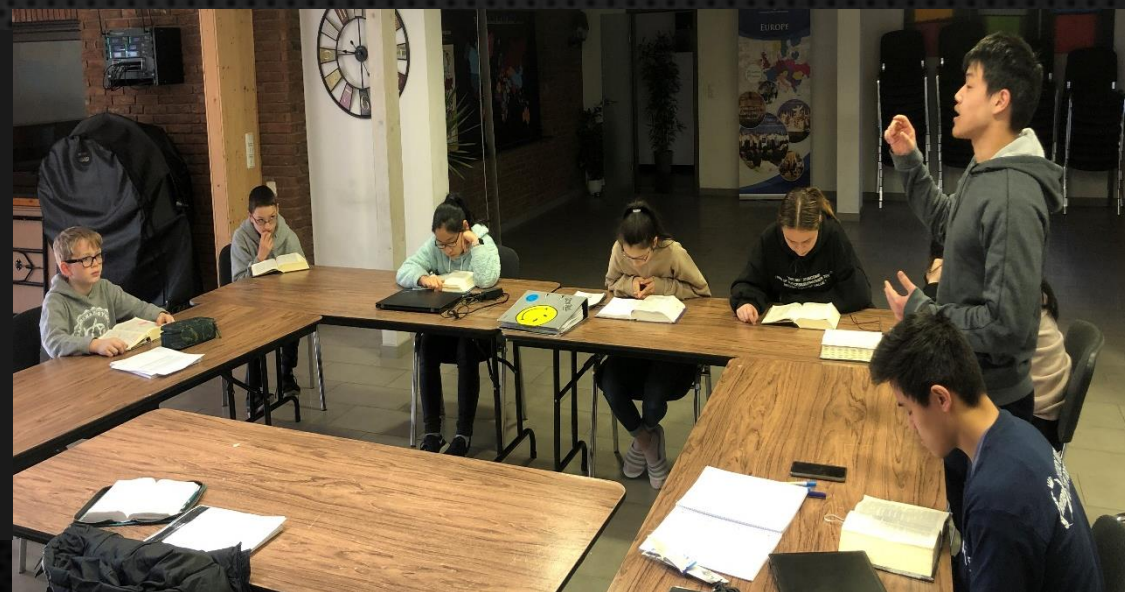
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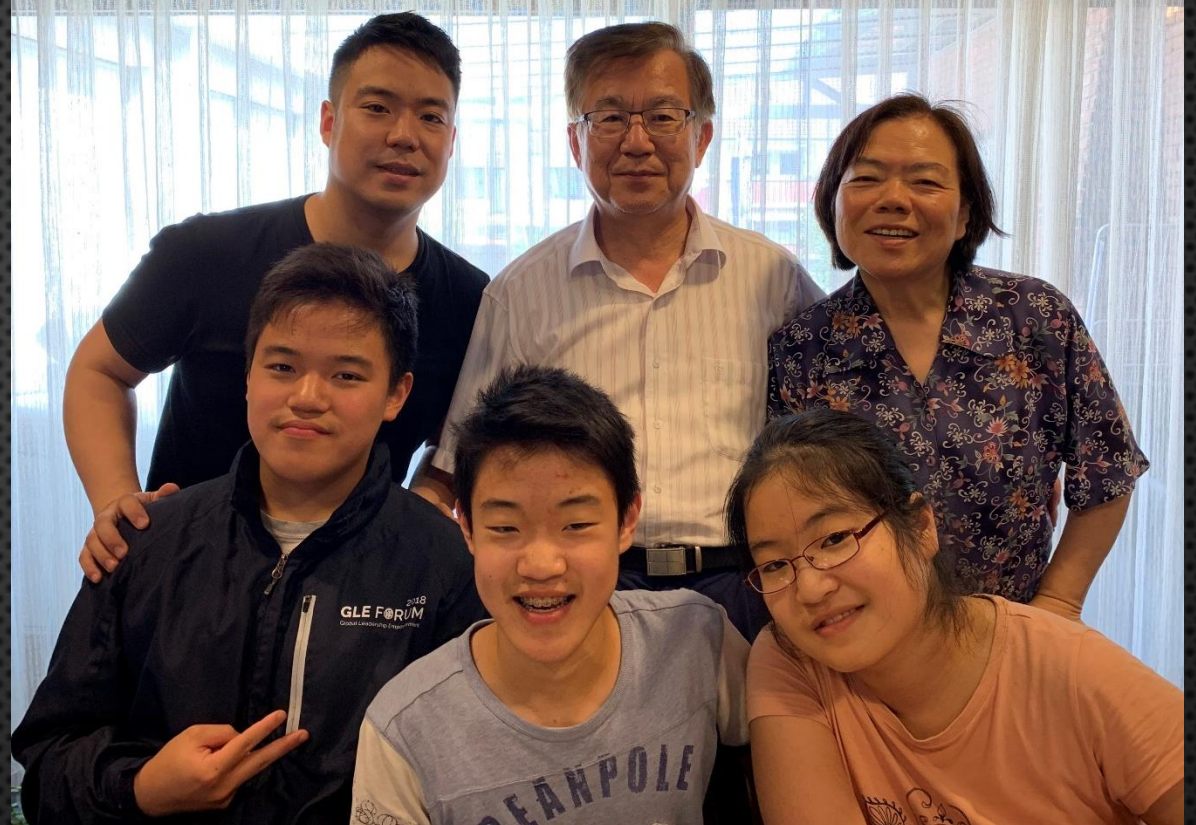


THE NEXT SPIRITUAL LEADERS!



**BUT SEEK FIRST HIS KINGDOM AND HIS
RIGHTEOUSNESS, AND ALL THESE THINGS WILL BE
GIVEN TO YOU AS WELL.**

MATTHEW 6:33





14 THEREFORE, SINCE WE HAVE A GREAT **HIGH PRIEST** WHO HAS ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN, **JESUS THE SON OF GOD**, LET US HOLD FIRMLY TO THE FAITH WE PROFESS.

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.

16 LET US THEN APPROACH GOD'S THRONE OF GRACE WITH CONFIDENCE, SO THAT WE MAY RECEIVE MERCY AND FIND GRACE TO HELP US IN OUR TIME OF NEED."

WHAT WE'VE LEARNT...

- **FIX OUR THOUGHTS ON JESUS**
- **JESUS IS OUR TRUE APOSTLE AND HIGH PRIEST**
- **TRUE REST COMES FROM GOD ALONE**
- **MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ENTER GOD'S REST *TODAY* WITH THE VISION TO LIVE AS SPIRITUAL LEADERS**

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