THE STORY OF HOPE

ATALE OF TWO STORIES

THE STORY OF FAITH

We need to open the church building! I need to be there and see everyone!

WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR??

You can't open the church building yet! It is a huge health risk! You are wrong if you do.

Pastor

Don't ever open the building again! Home is so much better!

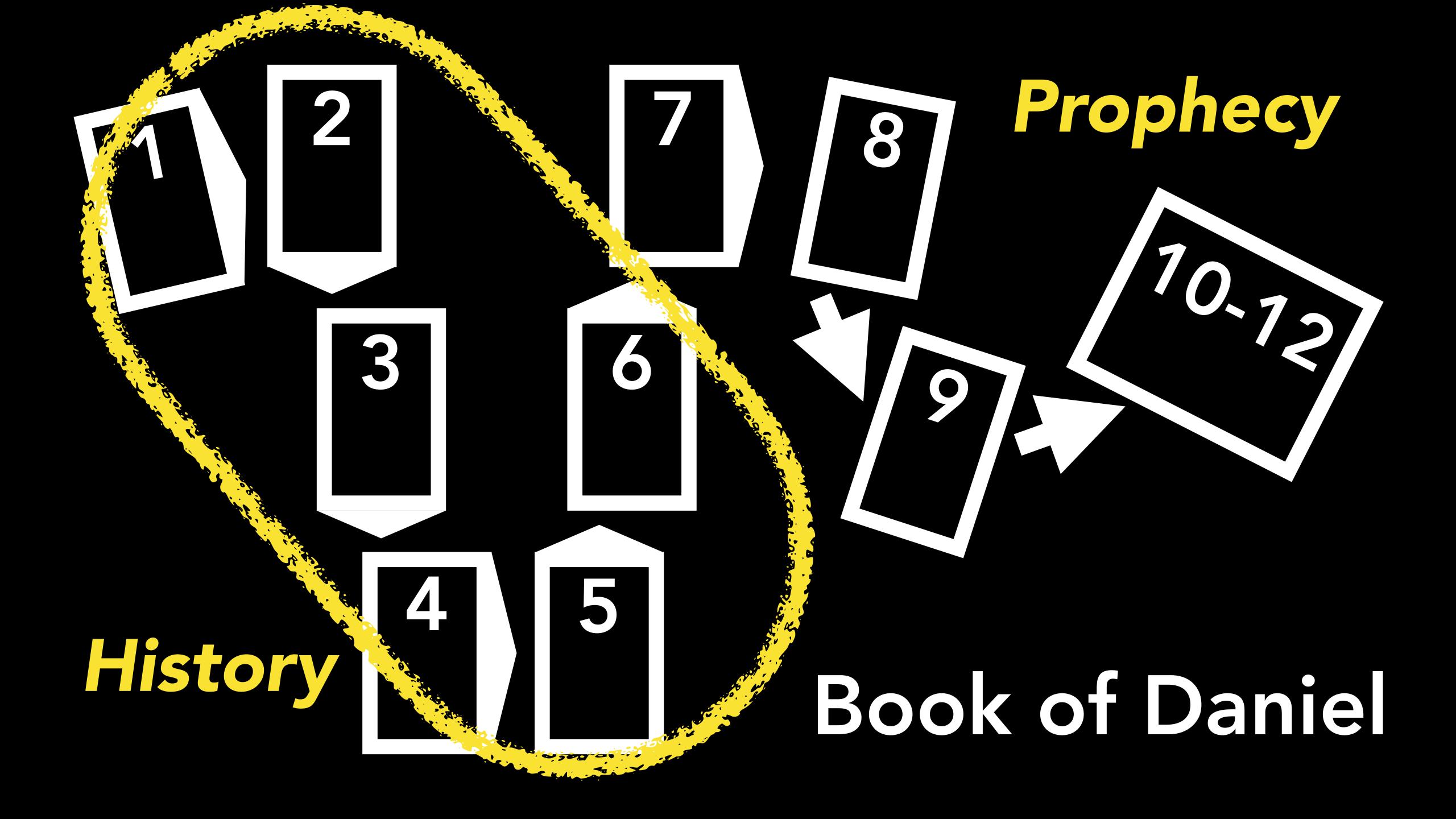
My family is going to stay home for awhile before coming back.
Sorry can't be there.

It's all
a big hoax!
A conspiracy!
A media frenzy!
Read this article!
This link!
Don't be afraid!!

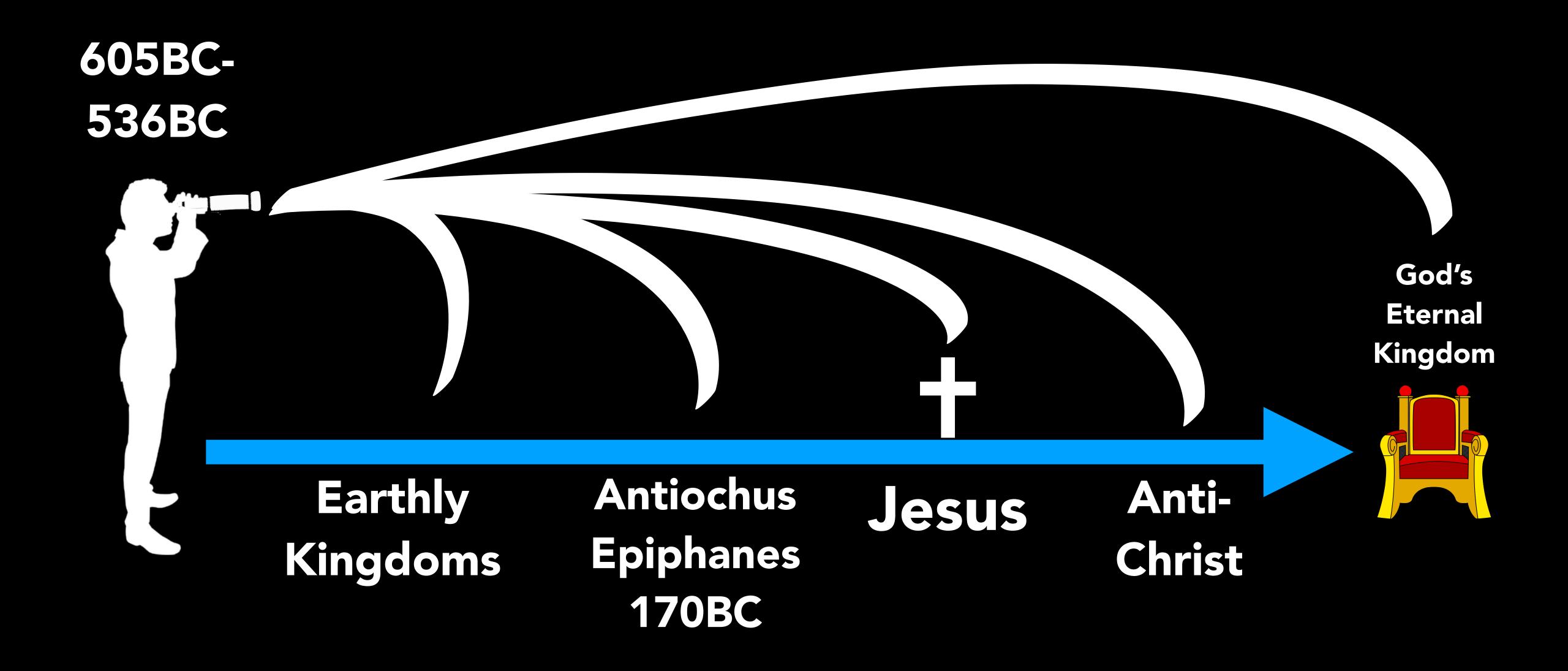
Here are the 25 things you need to do if you want to meet in your building again.

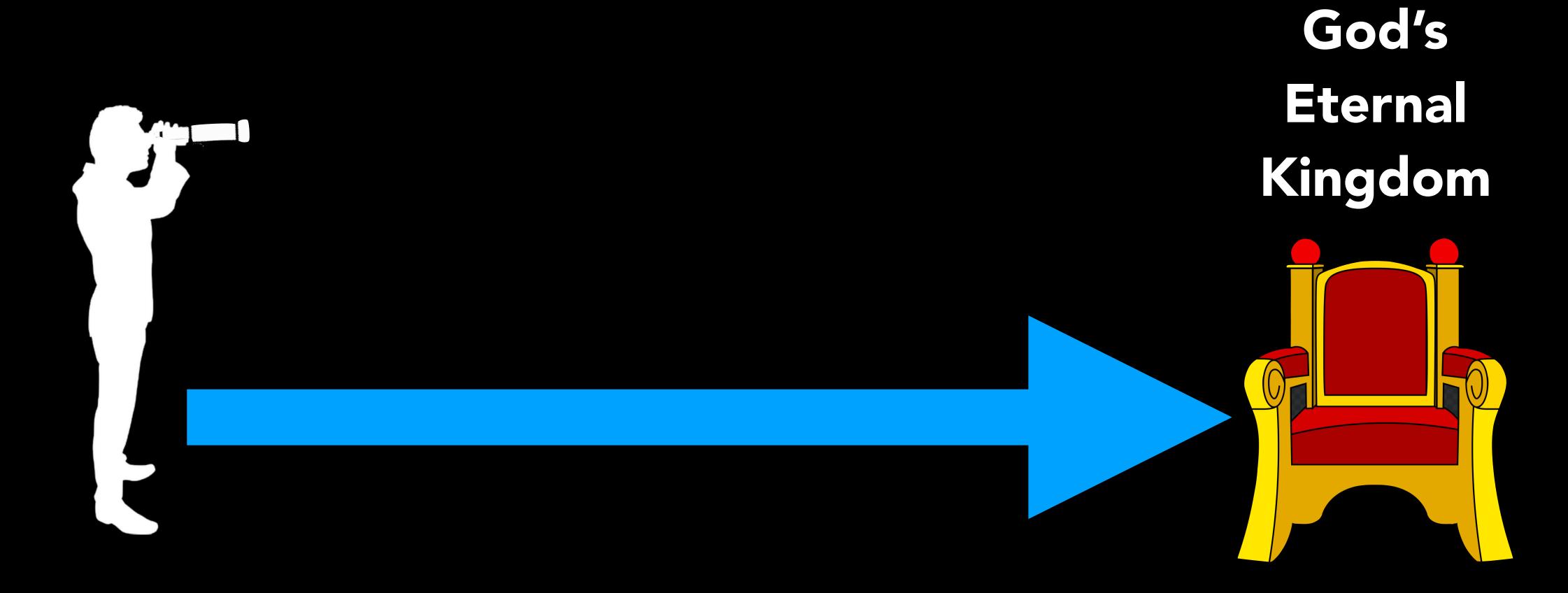
Pray! Pray for us. Walk in Grace.

THE STORY OF HOPE DANIEL 12



1st Vision 2nd Vision 3rd Vision Prayer & Revelation Book of Daniel





1 "At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people everyone whose name is found written in the book will be delivered. 2 Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt.

Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

4 But you, Daniel, roll up and seal the words of the scroll until the time of the end. Many will go here and there to increase knowledge."

5 Then I, Daniel, looked, and there before me stood two others, one on this bank of the river and one on the opposite bank. 6 One of them said to the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, "How long will it be before these astonishing things are fulfilled?"

7 The man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, lifted his right hand and his left hand toward heaven, and I heard him swear by him who lives forever, saying, "It will be for a time, times and half a time. When the power of the holy people has been finally broken, all these things will be completed."

8 I heard, but I did not understand. So I asked, "My lord, what will the outcome of all this be?" 9 He replied, "Go your way, Daniel, because the words are rolled up and sealed until the time of the end. 10 Many will be purified, made spotless and refined, but the wicked will continue to be wicked. None of the wicked will understand, but those who are wise will understand.

11 "From the time that the daily sacrifice is abolished and the abomination that causes desolation is set up, there will be 1,290 days. 12 Blessed is the one who waits for and reaches the end of the 1,335 days.

13 "As for you, go your way till the end. You will rest, and then at the end of the days you will rise to receive your allotted inheritance."

As for you, go your way till the end.

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God's How do I live in light Eternal of eternity? Kingdom You are here

In light of God's total control over history and the promised return of Christ, God's people are called to be wise and live well. (verses 3 & 10)

v. 13

Go your way.

The time to rest is coming. You WILL rise.

Your eternal reward awaits.

With this in mind...

Nine Marks of a Disciple in light of Christ's Return

1. Be <u>comforted</u> by God's protection. (v. 1)

"At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise."

2. Be <u>ready</u> for trouble and persecution. (vv. 1,7)

"There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then."

3. Count on God to rescue His people. (v. 1)

"But at that time your people everyone whose name is found written in the book—will be delivered."

4. Hope in the resurrection. (v. 2)

"Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt."

5. Shine like stars! (v. 3)

"Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever."

6. Treasure God's Word & grow in your understanding of it. (v. 4)

"But you, Daniel, roll up and seal the words of the scroll until the time of the end. Many will go here and there to increase knowledge."

7. Patiently trust that God will end things at the right time. (vv. 5-9)

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8. Open your heart and pursue holiness. (v. 10)

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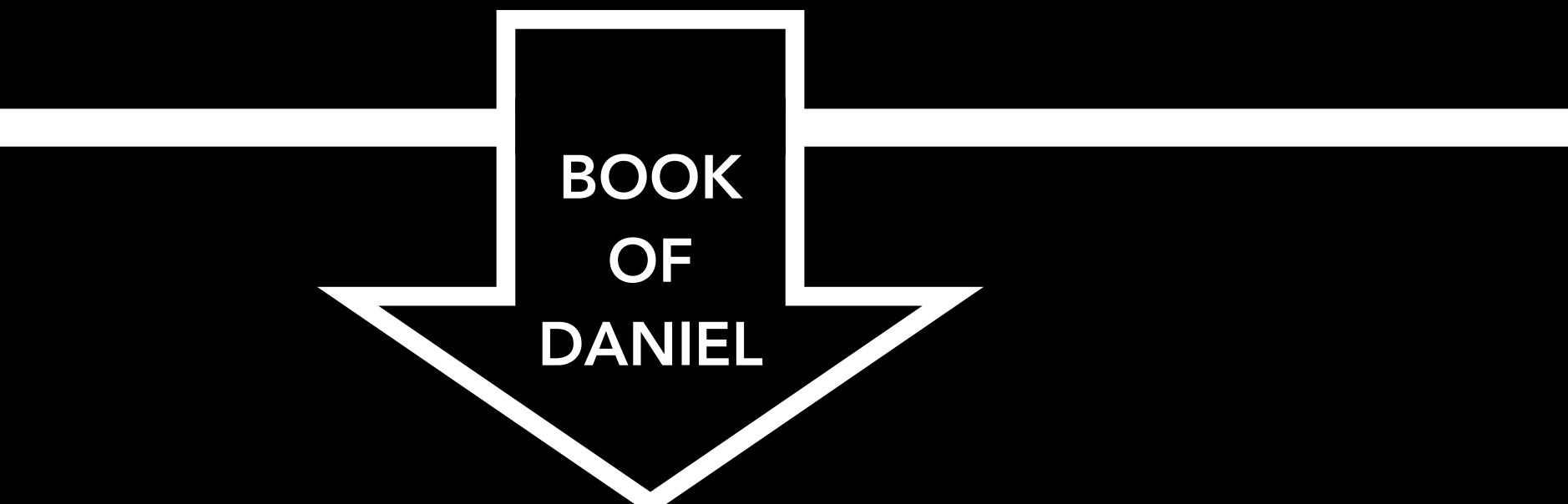
9. Endure to the end, knowing it's worth it. (vv. 11-13)

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Upper Story

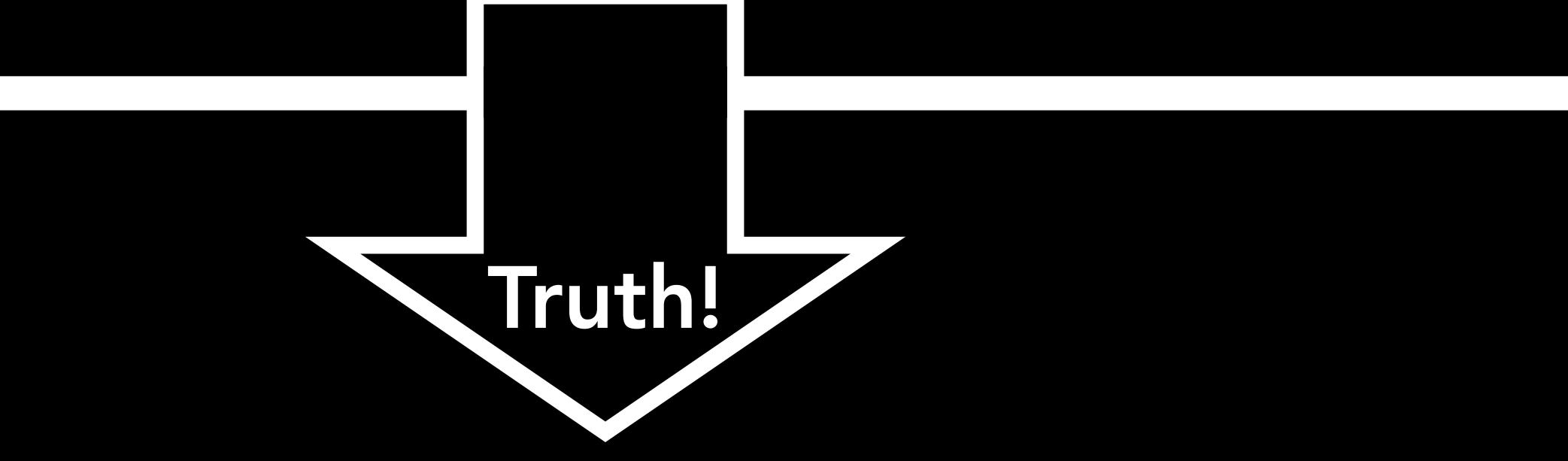
Lower Story

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Daniel 4:17

"The decision is announced by messengers, the holy ones declare the verdict, so that the living may know that the Most High is sovereign over all kingdoms on earth and gives them to anyone He wishes and sets over them the lowliest of people."

In spite of present circumstances, God is in control and will win the day.