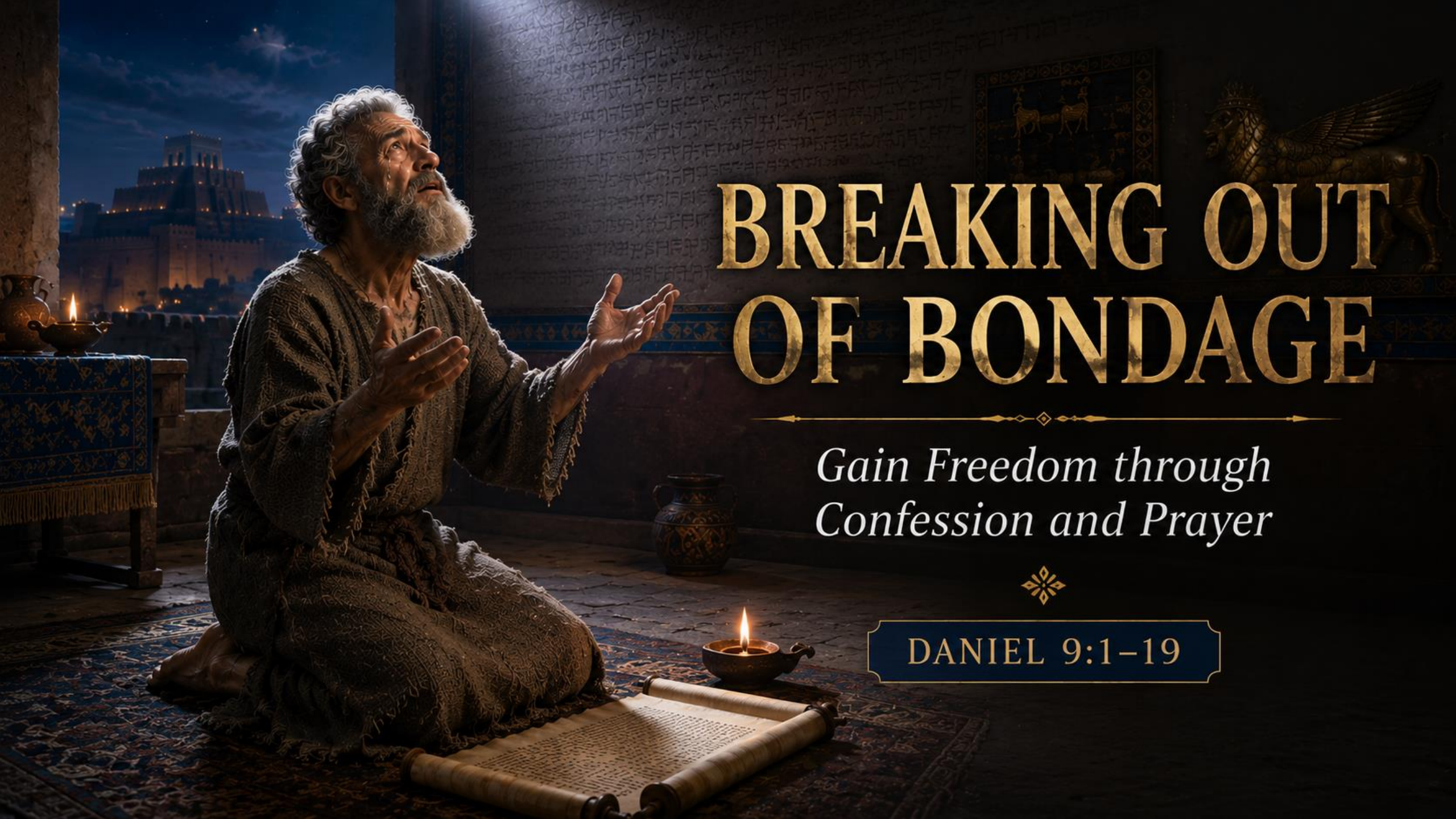


A man with a long white beard and curly hair, wearing a grey robe, is kneeling on a patterned rug. He has his hands raised in prayer, looking upwards. In the background, a city with a large temple is visible at night. The scene is dimly lit, with a small oil lamp on the floor and another on a table to the left. The wall behind him is covered in hieroglyphs and has a large winged lion statue on the right.

BREAKING OUT OF BONDAGE

*Gain Freedom through
Confession and Prayer*



DANIEL 9:1-19

THE BOOK OF DANIEL

IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER

THE EVENTS IN THE ORDER THEY ACTUALLY OCCURRED IN HISTORY

God's sovereign plan unfolding through empires and time



APPROX. DATE	1	2	3	4	7	8	5	6	9	10-12
	605 BC	603/602 BC	(c. 603–600 BC)	(c. 600–595 BC)	553 BC	551 BC	539 BC	538 BC	538 BC	536 BC
	DANIEL TAKEN TO BABYLON	NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S DREAM OF THE STATUE	THE FIERY FURNACE	NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S TREE DREAM	VISION OF THE FOUR BEASTS	VISION OF THE RAM & GOAT	THE WRITING ON THE WALL	DANIEL IN THE LION'S DEN	THE SEVENTY WEEKS PROPHECY	FINAL VISION (THIRD YEAR OF CYRUS)
	Daniel and his friends are taken captive to Babylon.	The great image reveals the rise and fall of world kingdoms.	Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego are delivered from the blazing furnace.	The king is humbled for his pride and lives like an animal seven times.	Daniel sees four beasts representing four kingdoms.	The ram and goat reveal future battles between kingdoms.	Belshazzar is judged; Babylon falls that very night.	Daniel is thrown into the den but is delivered by God.	Daniel receives God's timetable for Israel and the coming Messiah.	Daniel receives his final and most detailed visions of the end times.
RULER/EMPIRE	Nebuchadnezzar Babylonian Empire	Nebuchadnezzar Babylonian Empire	Nebuchadnezzar Babylonian Empire	Nebuchadnezzar Babylonian Empire	Belshazzar (1st year) Babylonian Empire	Belshazzar (3rd year) Babylonian Empire	Belshazzar Babylonian Empire	Darius the Mede Medo-Persian Empire	Darius the Mede Medo-Persian Empire	Cyrus the Great Medo-Persian Empire
LOCATION	Jerusalem to Babylon	Babylon	Babylon	Babylon	Babylon	Babylon	Babylon	Babylon	Babylon	Babylon

TWO WAYS THE BOOK IS ARRANGED

THE BOOK IN ITS TRADITIONAL ORDER (TOPICAL ORDER)

Stories first, then visions

NARRATIVE SECTION (HISTORICAL STORIES) Chapters 1–6



These events are presented to show God's sovereignty in history through real-life situations.

VISION SECTION (REVELATION) Chapters 7–12



Prophetic visions are grouped together to reveal God's plan for the future.

WHY THIS MATTERS

Understanding the chronological order helps us see the historical flow of events and the progression of prophetic revelation.



THE BOOK IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER (HISTORICAL ORDER)

In the order the events actually happened



This order shows the timeline of Daniel's life and the unfolding of God's plan from captivity to the restoration and the revelation of future events.



"I have revealed to you what is to come."

Daniel 2:28



A dramatic scene featuring an elderly Daniel with a long white beard, wearing a blue and gold robe, intently reading a large scroll. The scroll contains Hebrew text. In the background, the illuminated walls of Jerusalem are visible under a dark, starry night sky. The lighting is warm and focused on Daniel's face and the scroll.

THE TIME IS NEARLY COMPLETE

*Daniel understood the
words of Jeremiah...
the seventy years were
almost finished.*

DANIEL 9:1–2



26 The vision of the evenings and the mornings that has been told is true, but seal up the vision, for it refers to many days from now.

27 And I, Daniel, was overcome and lay sick for some days. Then I rose and went about the king's business, but I was appalled by the vision and did not understand it.

*We have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly
and rebelled, turning aside from
your commandments and rules.*

*We have turned away
from you and have not
obeyed you.*

(v. 3)

*We have not listened
to your servants
the prophets.*

(v. 6)

*We have not obeyed
the LORD our God
by keeping the laws
he gave us.*

(v. 10)

*We have not brought
before you our
offerings and gifts.*

(v. 10)

*We have not honored
your name.*

(v. 6)

*We have not kept
the Sabbath.*

(v. 14)

*We have not shown
mercy to the needy.*

(v. 14)

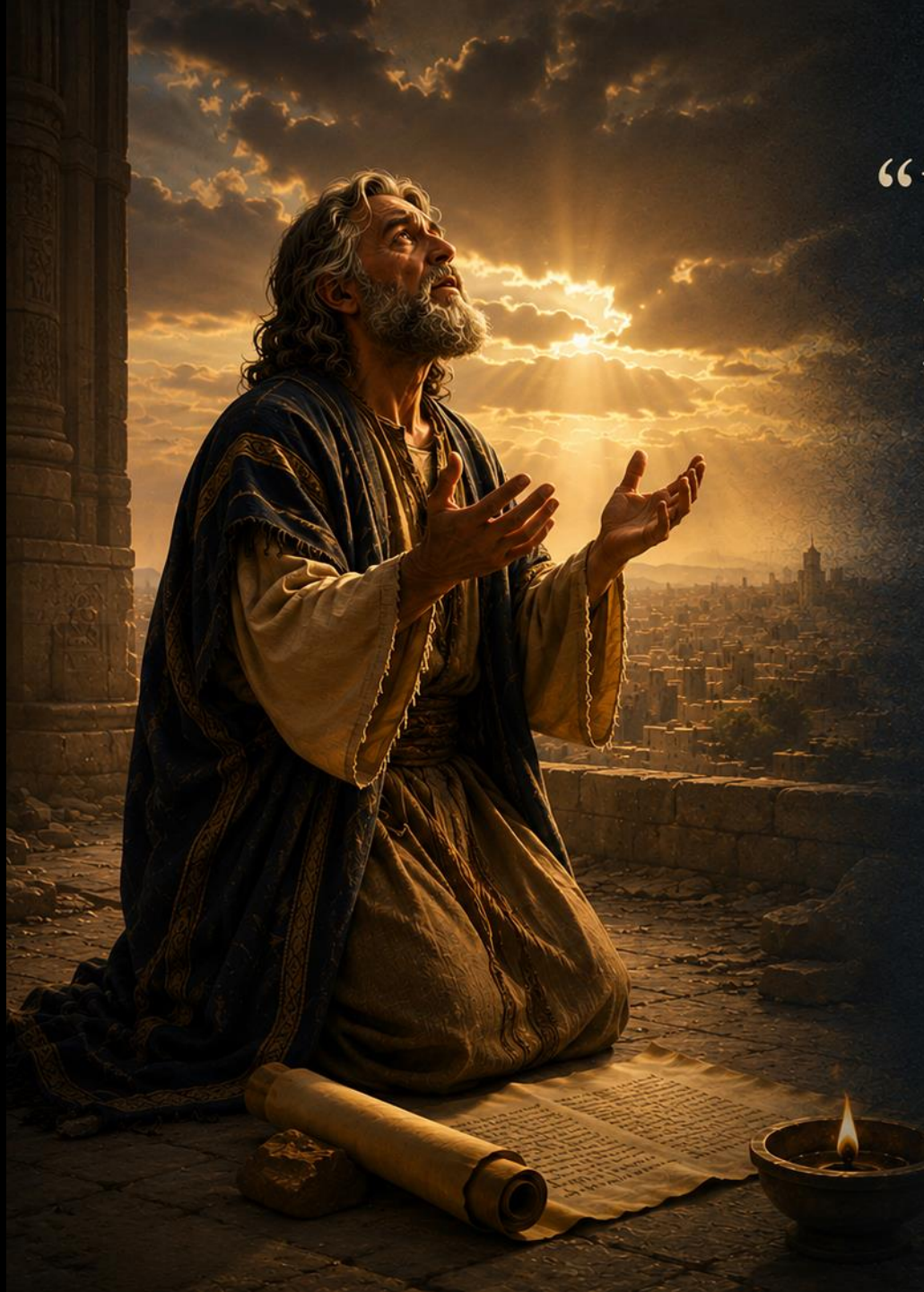
*We have not turned
from our evil ways.*

(v. 14)

*We have not
shunned the nations
and their abominations.*

(v. 16)

DANIEL 9:5-16



“Whoever conceals
his transgressions
will not prosper,
but he who
confesses and
forsakes them
will obtain *mercy*.”

PROVERBS 28:13

THE MERCY OF GOD IS ABUNDANT



“Let the wicked *forsake* his way,
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him *return* to the LORD, and
He will abundantly *pardon*.”

ISAIAH 55:6-7



“Who is a *God like You*, pardoning
iniquity and passing over transgression
for the remnant of His inheritance?”

MICAH 7:18



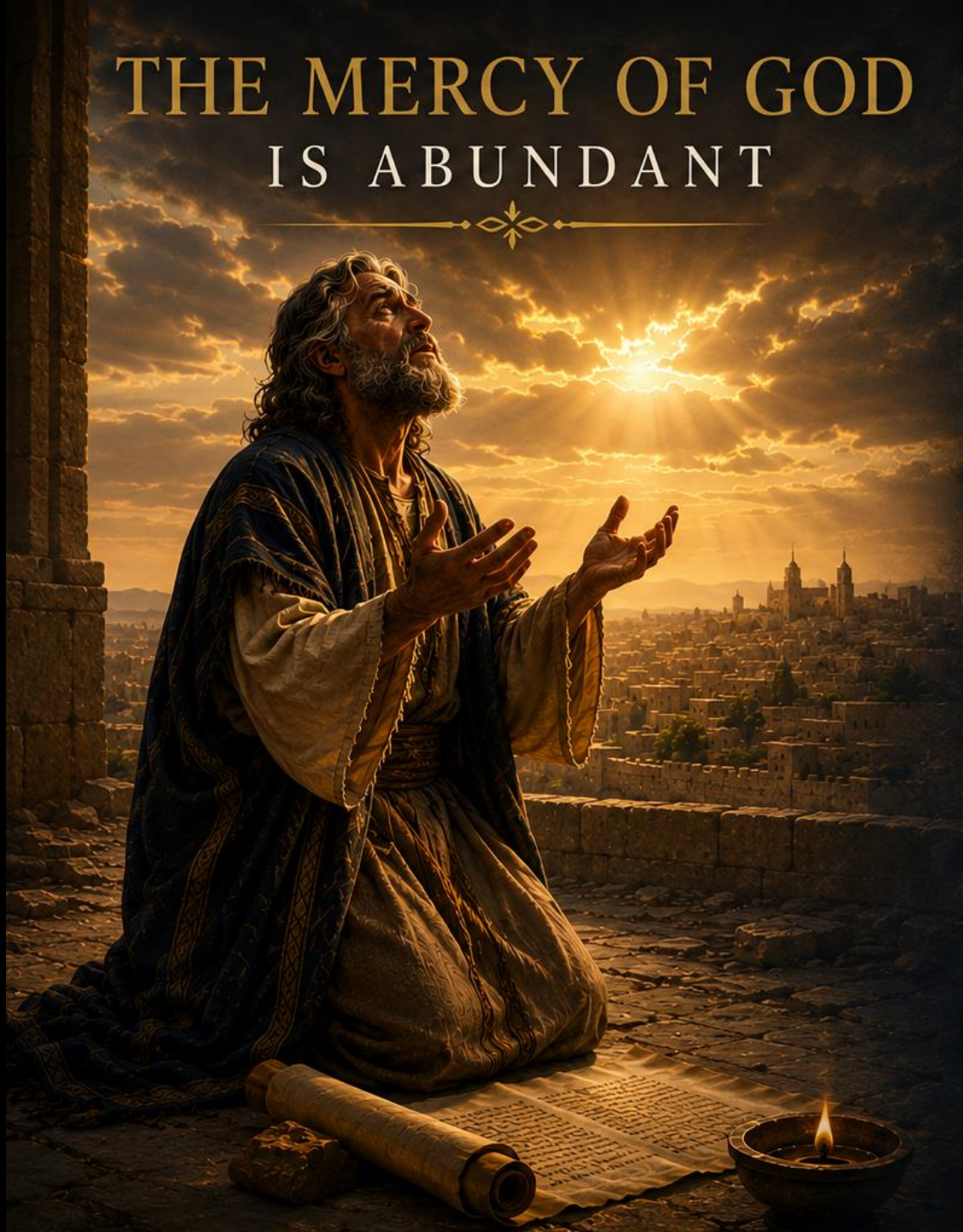
“You are a God ready to *forgive*,
gracious and *merciful*, slow to anger
and *abounding in* steadfast love...”

NEHEMIAH 9:17



“*Return* to the LORD your God,
for He is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger, and *abounding in*
steadfast love.”

JOEL 2:13





DANIEL 9 TIMELINE



JEREMIAH'S 70 YEARS AND DANIEL'S PRAYER

605 BC

**FIRST EXILE
TO BABYLON**

*Daniel Taken
to Babylon*

586 BC

**TEMPLE DESTROYED
BY BABYLON**

*Jerusalem Falls
Solomon's Temple
Burned*

539/538 BC

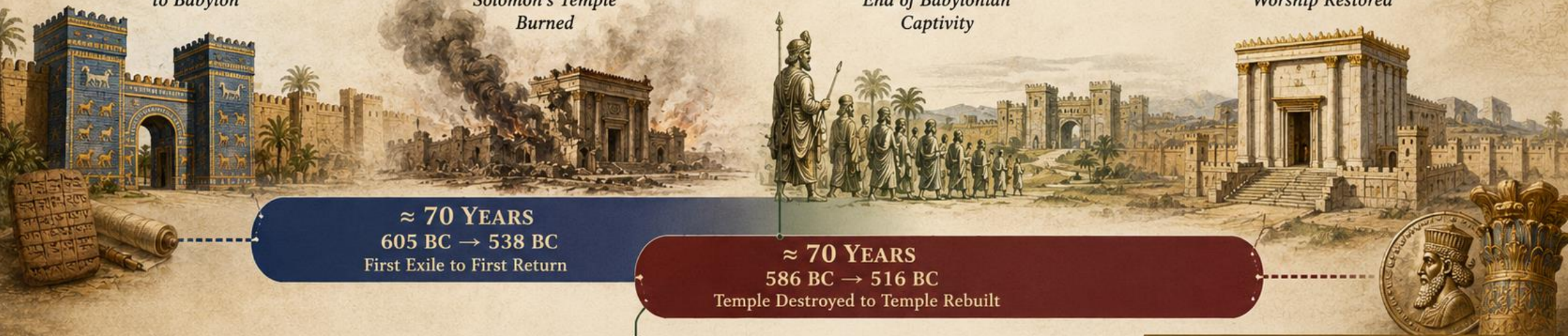
**FIRST RETURN
UNDER CYRUS**

*Exiles Return
End of Babylonian
Captivity*

516 BC

**SECOND TEMPLE
COMPLETED**

*Temple Dedicated
Worship Restored*



≈ 70 YEARS
605 BC → 538 BC
First Exile to First Return

≈ 70 YEARS
586 BC → 516 BC
Temple Destroyed to Temple Rebuilt



DANIEL'S QUESTION

*"Has the 70 years
been fulfilled?"*

Daniel 9:2



DANIEL 9 SETTING

539–538 BC

*Daniel reads Jeremiah's prophecy of 70 years
and realizes the exile is ending.*



GABRIEL'S ANSWER

*"Seventy sevens are decreed
for your people and your
holy city..."*

Daniel 9:24



KEY INSIGHT

*Daniel begins with Jeremiah's 70 years—
a judgment period ending in restoration.
Gabriel reveals a greater plan:*

70 SEVENS (490 YEARS)

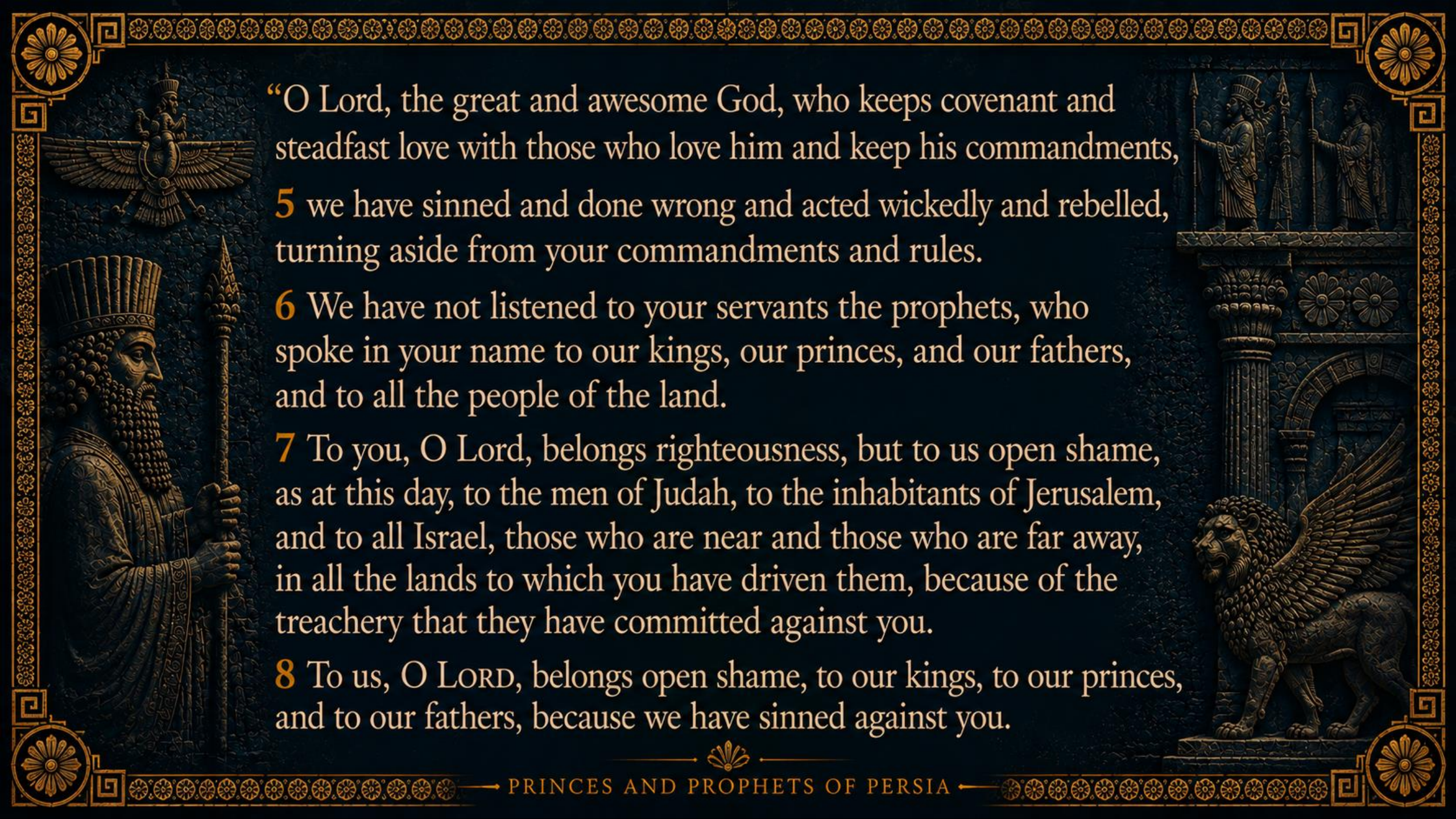
a longer timetable for ultimate redemption.

Daniel 9:24–27



"For thus says the Lord: 'When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will visit you and perform My good word toward you, that I may cause you to return to this place.'" Jeremiah 29:10





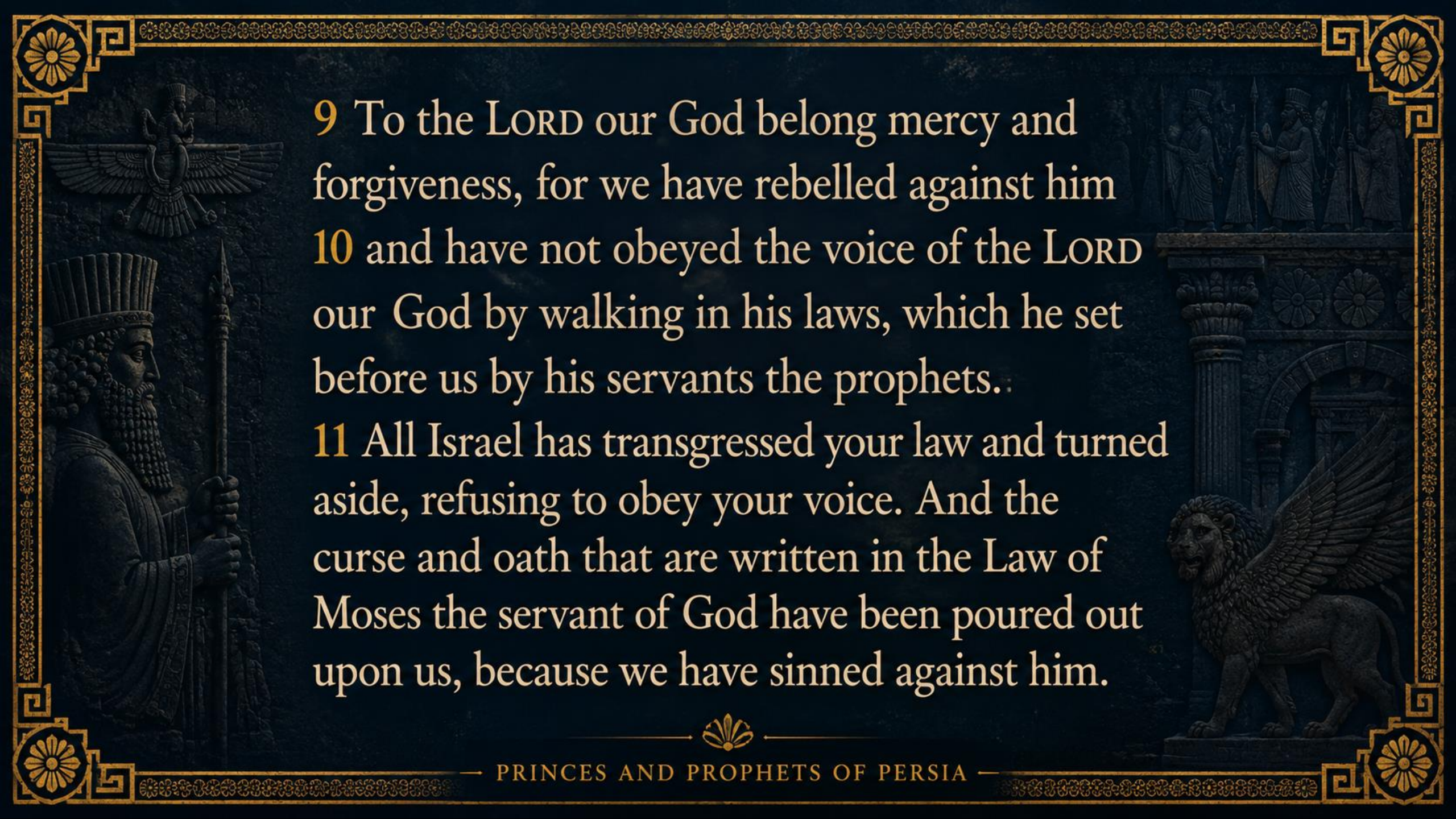
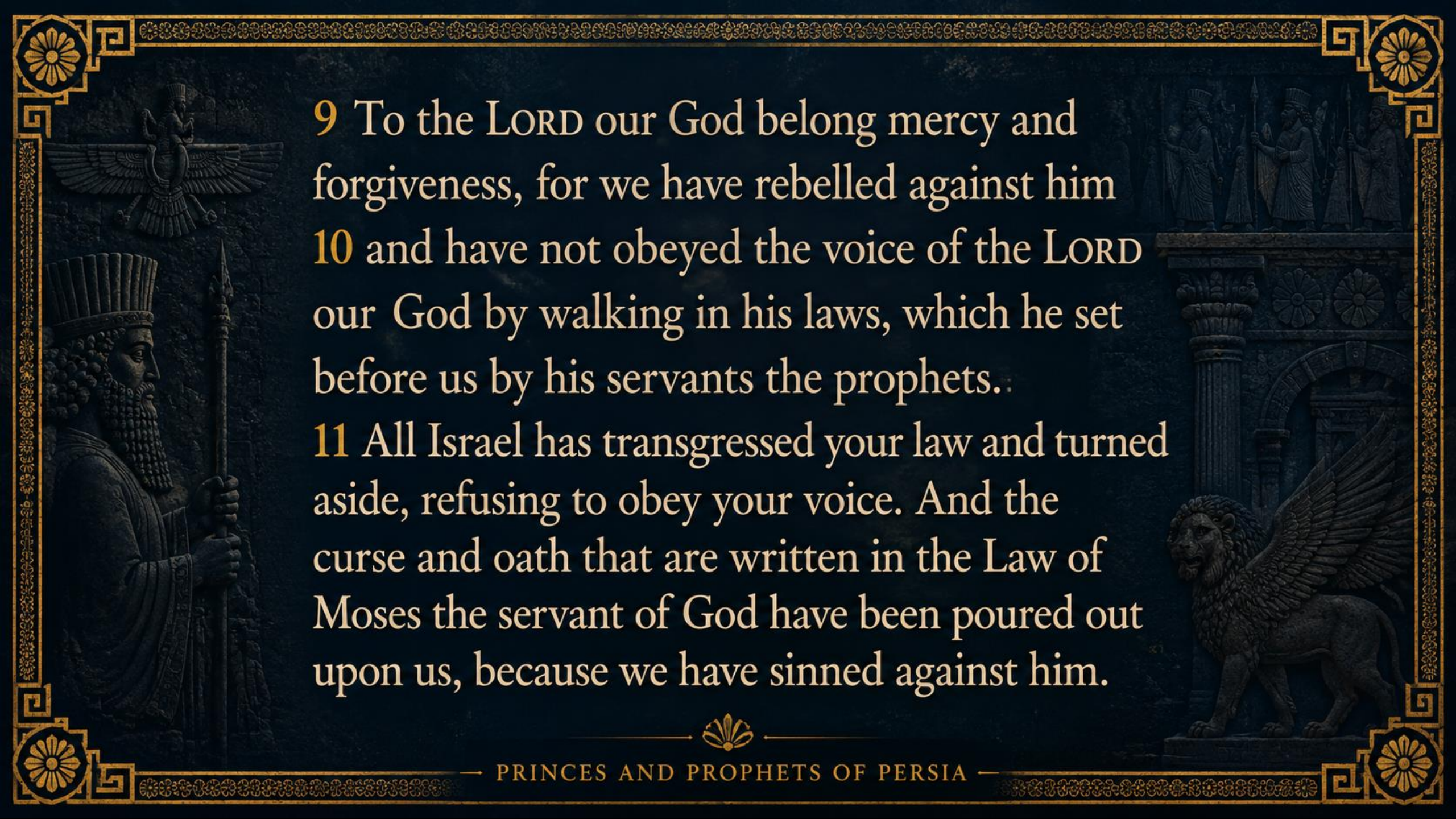
“O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments,

5 we have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and rules.

6 We have not listened to your servants the prophets, who spoke in your name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land.

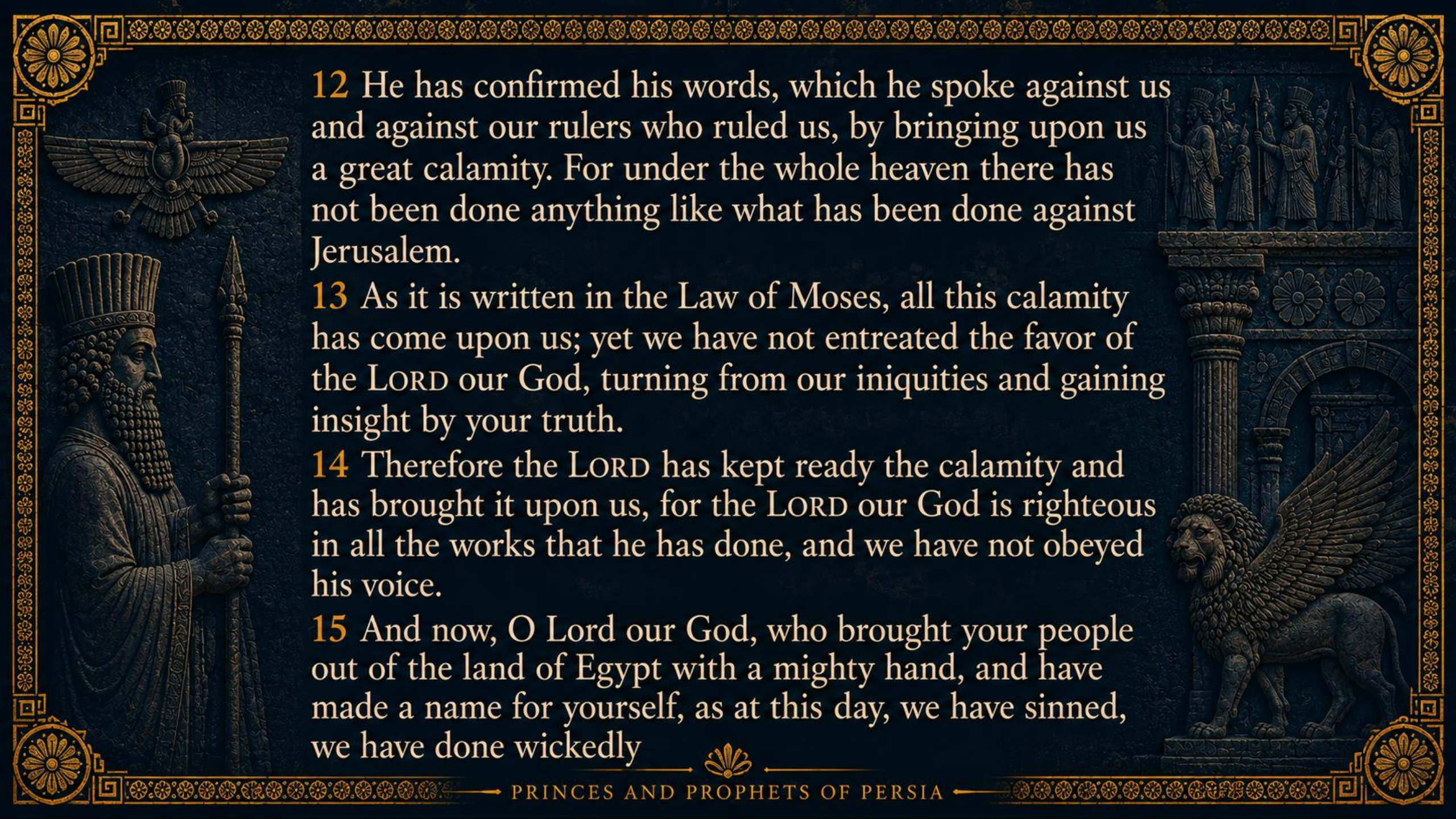
7 To you, O Lord, belongs righteousness, but to us open shame, as at this day, to the men of Judah, to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to all Israel, those who are near and those who are far away, in all the lands to which you have driven them, because of the treachery that they have committed against you.

8 To us, O LORD, belongs open shame, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against you.



9 To the LORD our God belong mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against him
10 and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD our God by walking in his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets.

11 All Israel has transgressed your law and turned aside, refusing to obey your voice. And the curse and oath that are written in the Law of Moses the servant of God have been poured out upon us, because we have sinned against him.

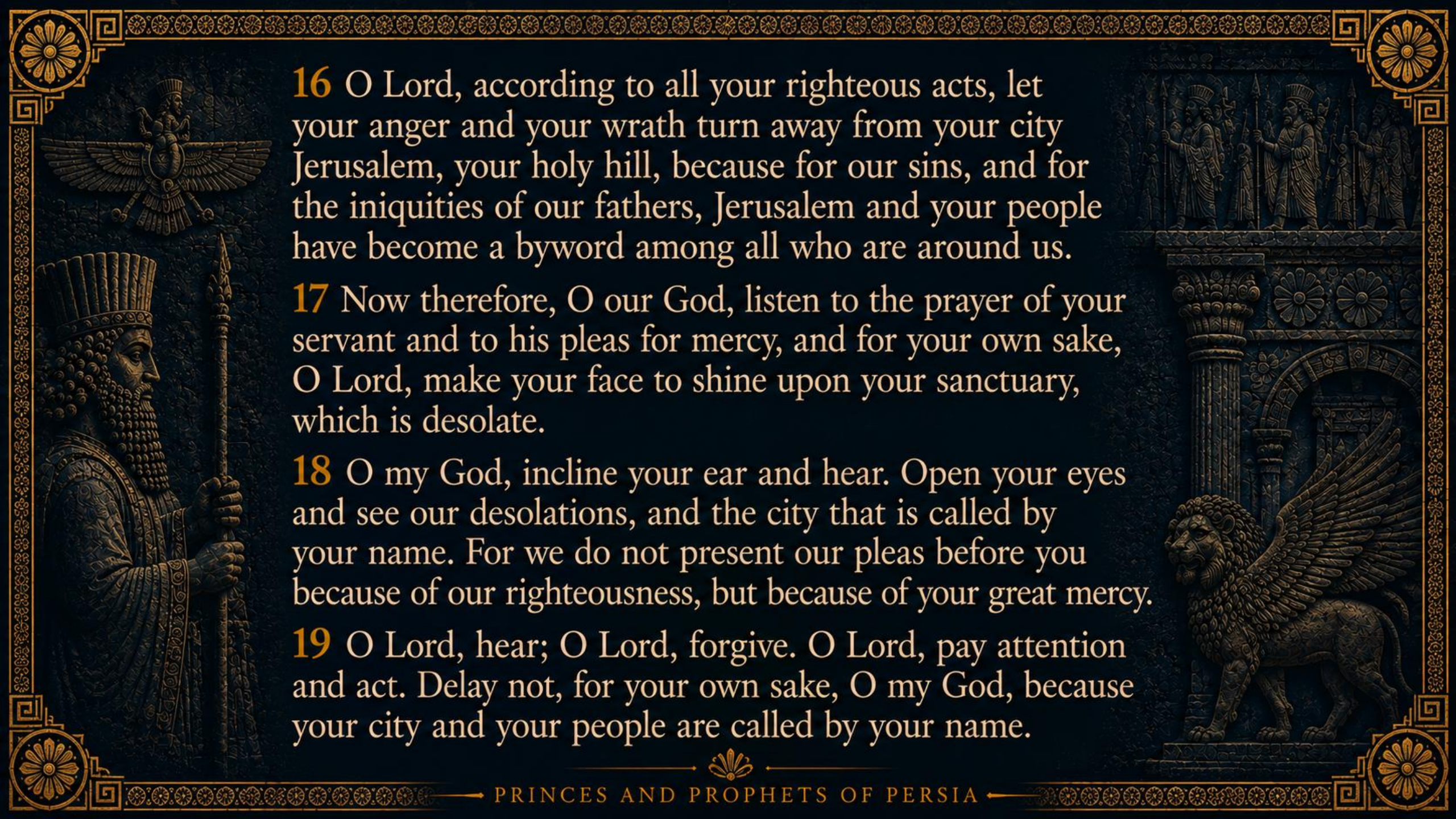


12 He has confirmed his words, which he spoke against us and against our rulers who ruled us, by bringing upon us a great calamity. For under the whole heaven there has not been done anything like what has been done against Jerusalem.

13 As it is written in the Law of Moses, all this calamity has come upon us; yet we have not entreated the favor of the LORD our God, turning from our iniquities and gaining insight by your truth.

14 Therefore the LORD has kept ready the calamity and has brought it upon us, for the LORD our God is righteous in all the works that he has done, and we have not obeyed his voice.

15 And now, O Lord our God, who brought your people out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and have made a name for yourself, as at this day, we have sinned, we have done wickedly



16 O Lord, according to all your righteous acts, let your anger and your wrath turn away from your city Jerusalem, your holy hill, because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and your people have become a byword among all who are around us.

17 Now therefore, O our God, listen to the prayer of your servant and to his pleas for mercy, and for your own sake, O Lord, make your face to shine upon your sanctuary, which is desolate.

18 O my God, incline your ear and hear. Open your eyes and see our desolations, and the city that is called by your name. For we do not present our pleas before you because of our righteousness, but because of your great mercy.

19 O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive. O Lord, pay attention and act. Delay not, for your own sake, O my God, because your city and your people are called by your name.

20 While I was speaking and praying, confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my plea before the LORD my God for the holy hill of my God,

21 while I was speaking in prayer, the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the first, came to me in swift flight at the time of the evening sacrifice.

