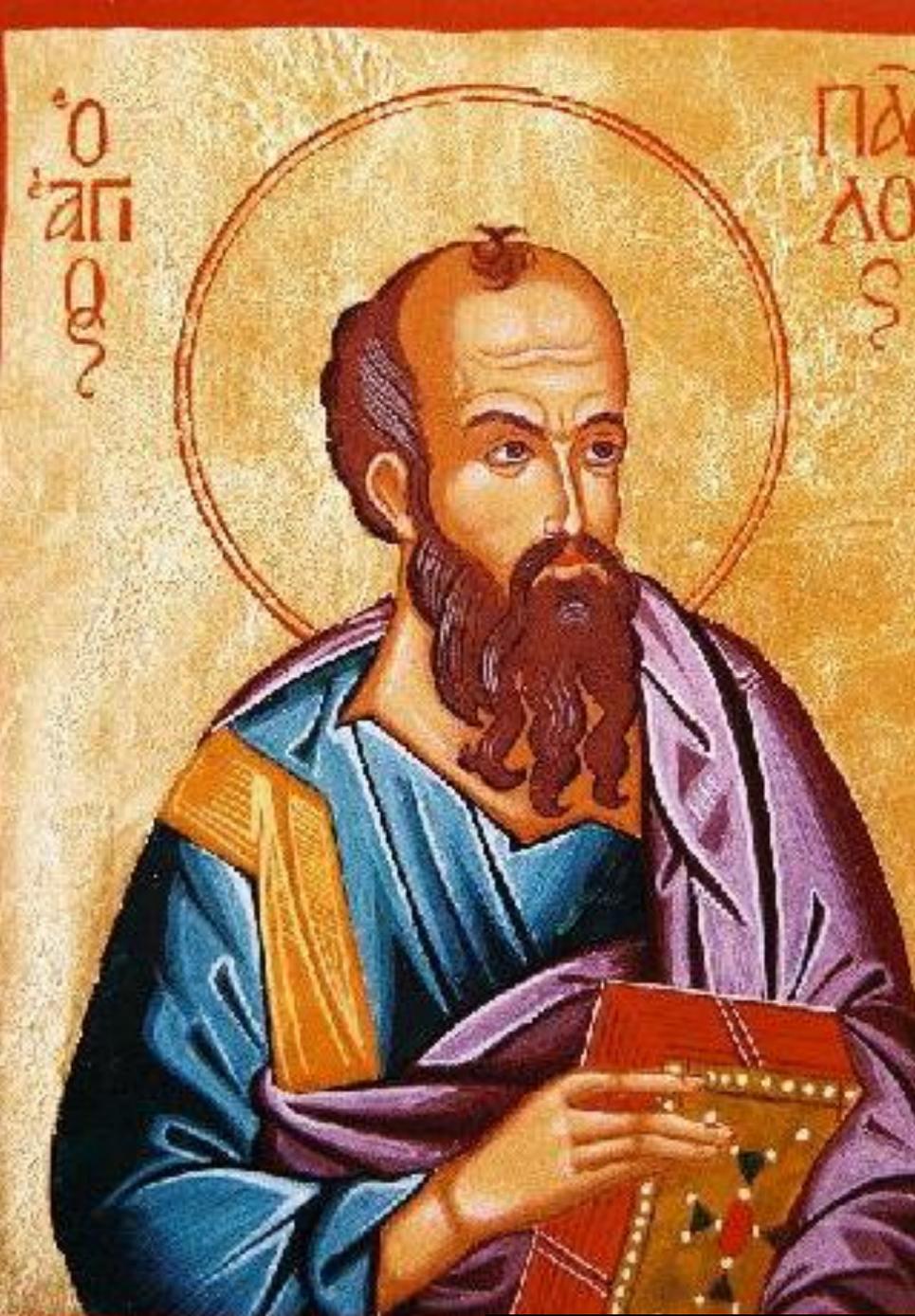


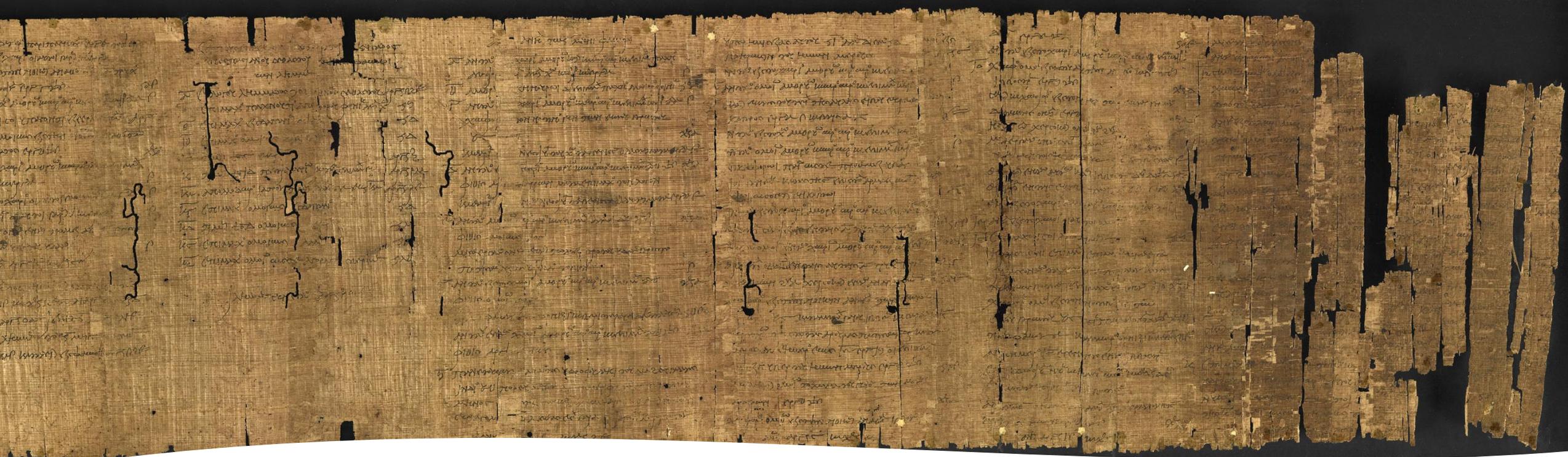


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<sup>7</sup> I wish that all people were as I am. But each has his own gift from God, one person has this gift, another has that.

- 1 Corinthians 7:7



“Now in response to the matters you wrote about...” (1 Corinthians 7:1a)

“If Christianity does not affect my money and my marriage relationships, it is not worth anything.”  
Oswald Chambers

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# 1. Marriage in Corinth

<sup>10</sup>To the married I give this command—not I, but the Lord—a wife is not to leave her husband. <sup>11</sup>But if she does leave, she must remain unmarried or be reconciled to her husband—and a husband is not to divorce his wife.

1 Corinthians 7:10-11





“But the married man is concerned about the things of the world – how he may please his wife – and his interests are divided...But the married woman is concerned about the things of the world – how she may please her husband.” (1 Corinthians 7:33a, 34b)



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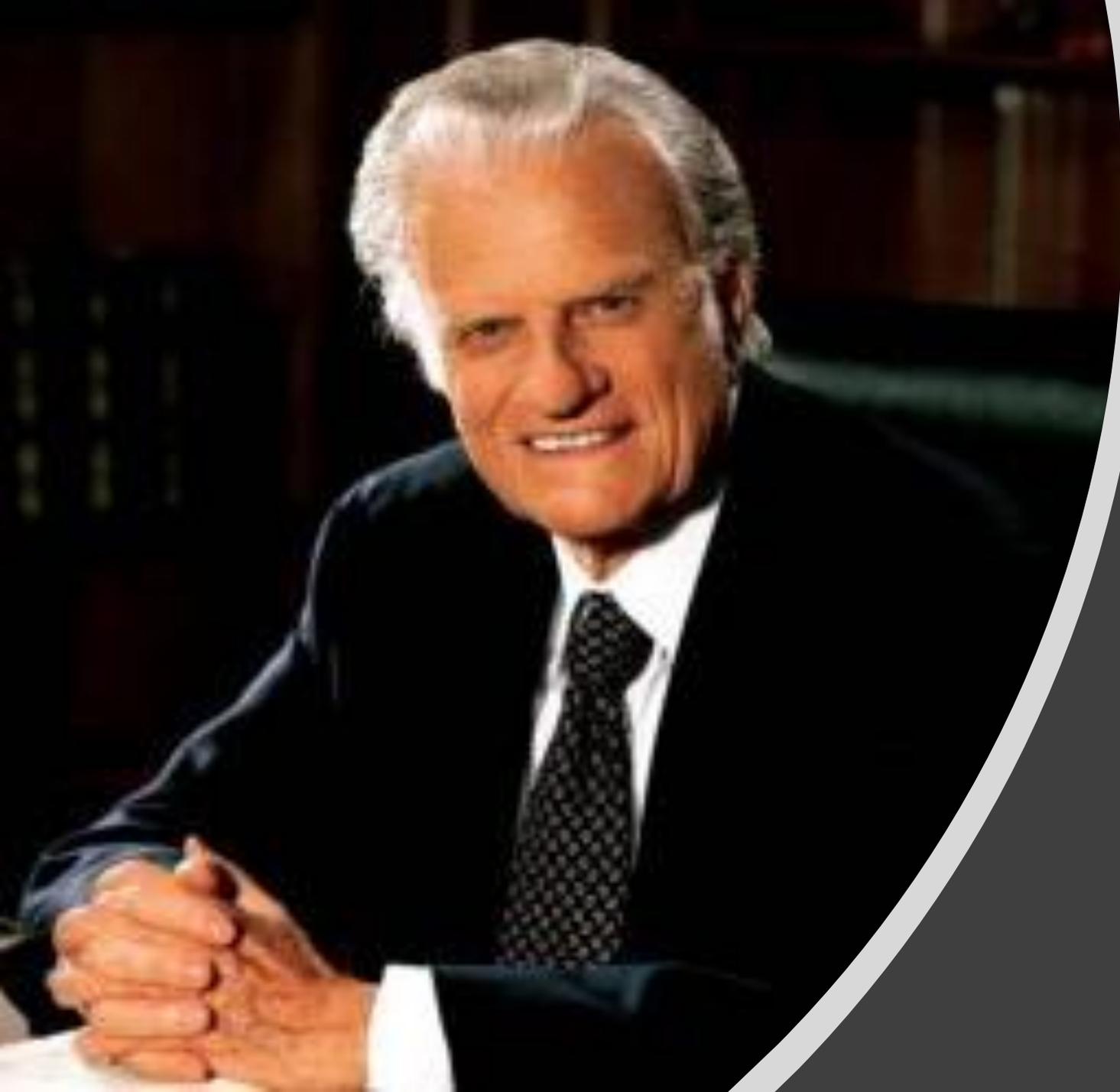
“Why then,” they asked him, “did Moses command us to give divorce papers and to send her away?”

Matthew 19:7





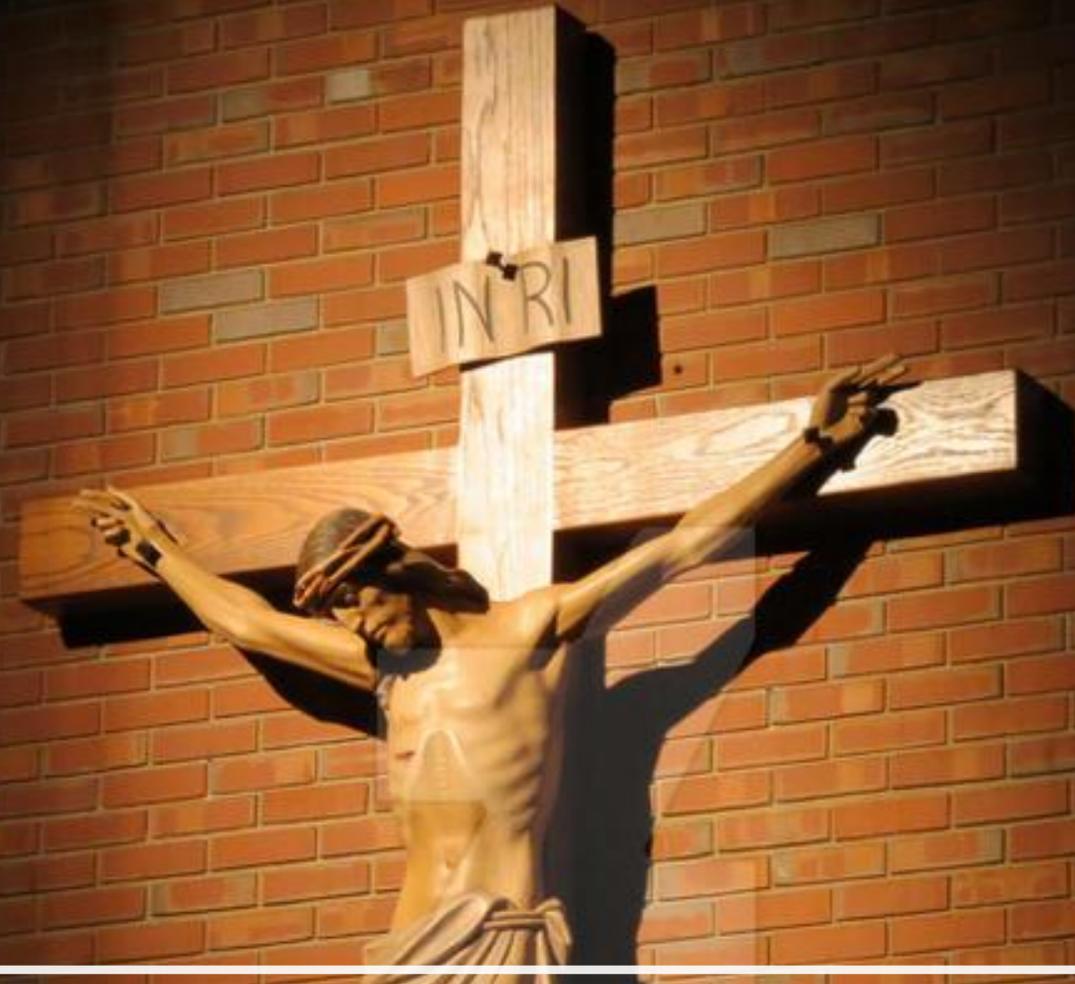
“Moses permitted you to divorce your wives because of the hardness of your hearts, but it was not like that from the beginning.” – Jesus (Matt. 19:8)



“Nothing brings more joy than a good marriage, and nothing brings more misery than a bad marriage.”

-Billy Graham





Marriage is not to make you happy, but to make you holy.

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## 3. Marriage in Christ

<sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself for her <sup>26</sup> to make her holy, cleansing her with the washing of water by the word. <sup>27</sup> He did this to present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and blameless. <sup>28</sup> In the same way, husbands are to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.

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Ephesians 5:25-28



We must go back to our Bibles. The husband is the head of the wife just in so far as he is to her what Christ is to the Church. He is to love her as Christ loved the Church – read on – and *give his life for her* (Eph. 5:25). This headship, then, is most fully embodied not in the husband we should all wish to be but in him whose marriage is most fully embodied not in the husband we should all wish to be but in him whose marriage is most like a crucifixion; whose wife receives most and gives least, is most unworthy of him, in – in her own mere nature – least lovable.”

- CS Lewis

“For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church.’ If Christ is the Head of the husband, he is easily the head of the wife, not by effort, but because of the nature of the essentially feminine. But if Jesus Christ is not the Head of husband, the husband is not the head of the wife. Our Lord always touches the most sacred human relationships, and He says – You must be right with Me first before those relationships can be right.”

- Oswald Chambers