

christianity 101

BIBLE BASICS FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

4 There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were

called in **one hope** of your calling;

5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism;

6 one God and Father of all, who is above all, and
through all, and in you all.

An open book with glowing light and green smoke rising from it.

Eph 4:4-6



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It is Not:

- Wishful thinking

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- Whistling in the Dark

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- Whistling in the Dark
- Crutch to Lean On
- Pollyana Approach to Life

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It is:

- Desire +
- Expectation

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Phil 1:19-20

For I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayer and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus

*Christ, **according to my earnest expectation and hope***

that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. NKJV



ONE HOPE



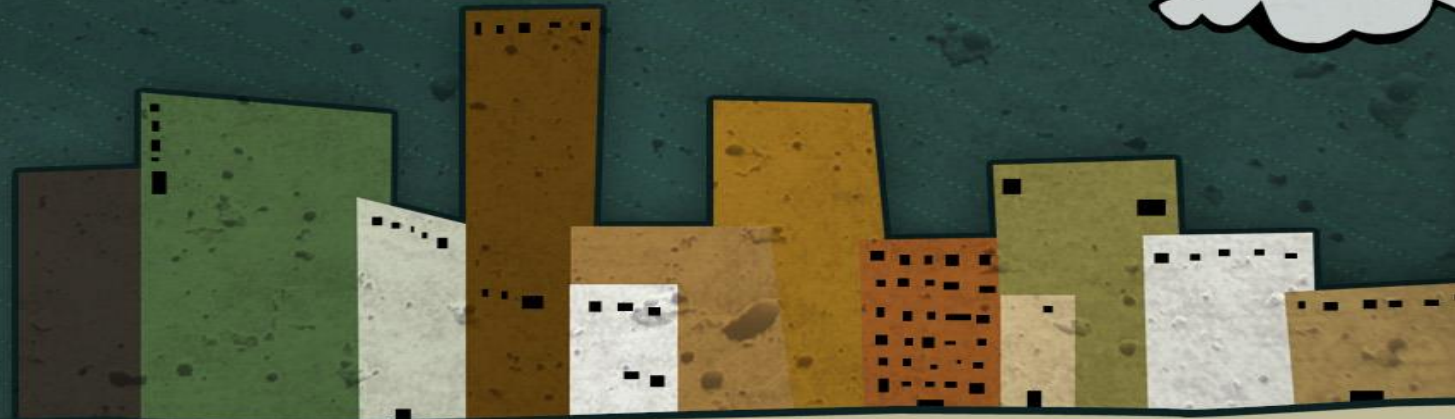
Ephesians 4:4-6

*There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in **one hope of your calling**; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.*



4 Descriptions of the One Hope

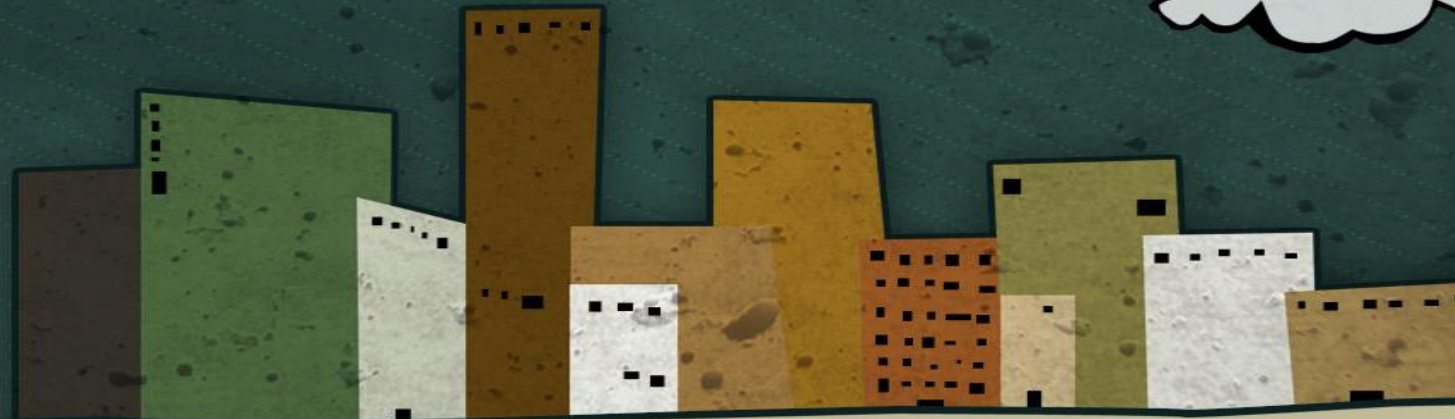
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4 Descriptions of our Hope

■ Good Hope

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2 Thess. 2:16

*Now may our Lord Jesus Christ
Himself, and our God and
Father, who has loved us and
given us everlasting consolation*

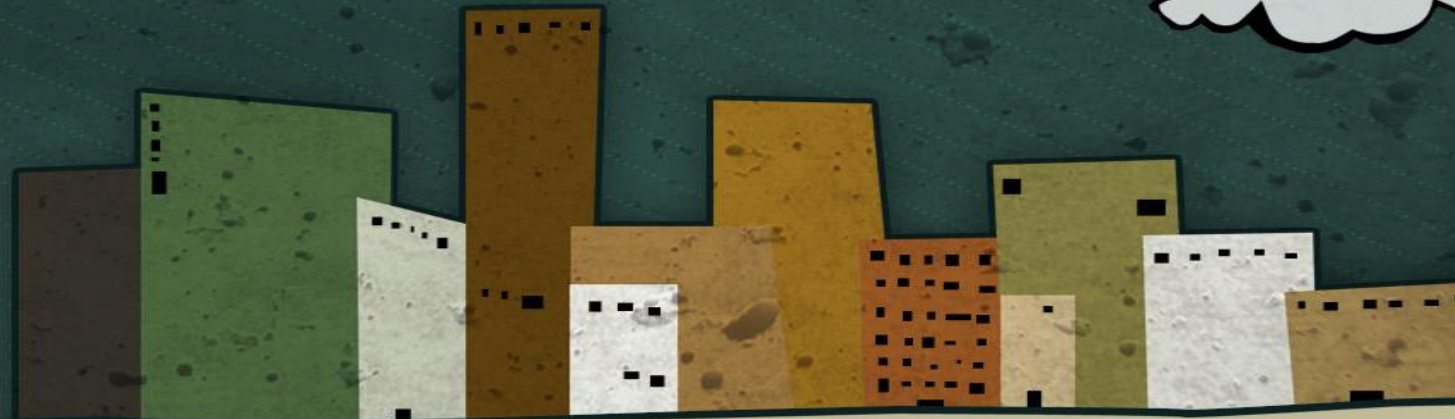
*and **good hope** by
grace, comfort your hearts and
establish you in every good
word and work.*



4 Descriptions of our Hope

- Good Hope
- Better Hope

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Heb 7:19

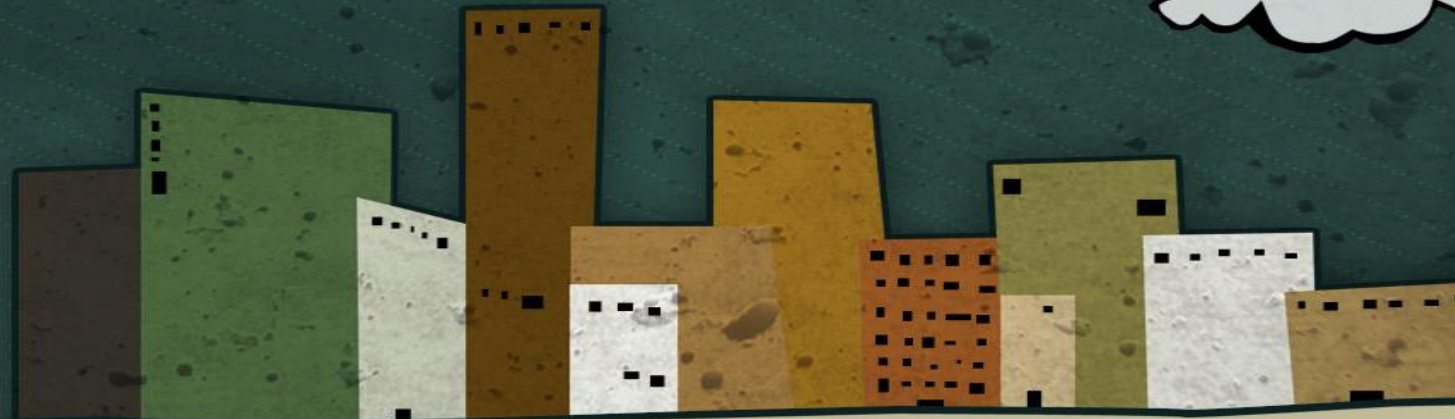
*for the law made nothing
perfect; on the other hand,
there is the bringing in of a
better hope,
through which we draw near
to God.*



4 Descriptions of our Hope

- Good Hope
- Better Hope
- **Blessed Hope**

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Titus 2:13

looking for the

blessed hope

*and glorious appearing of our
great God and Savior Jesus
Christ,*



4 Descriptions of our Hope

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- Living Hope

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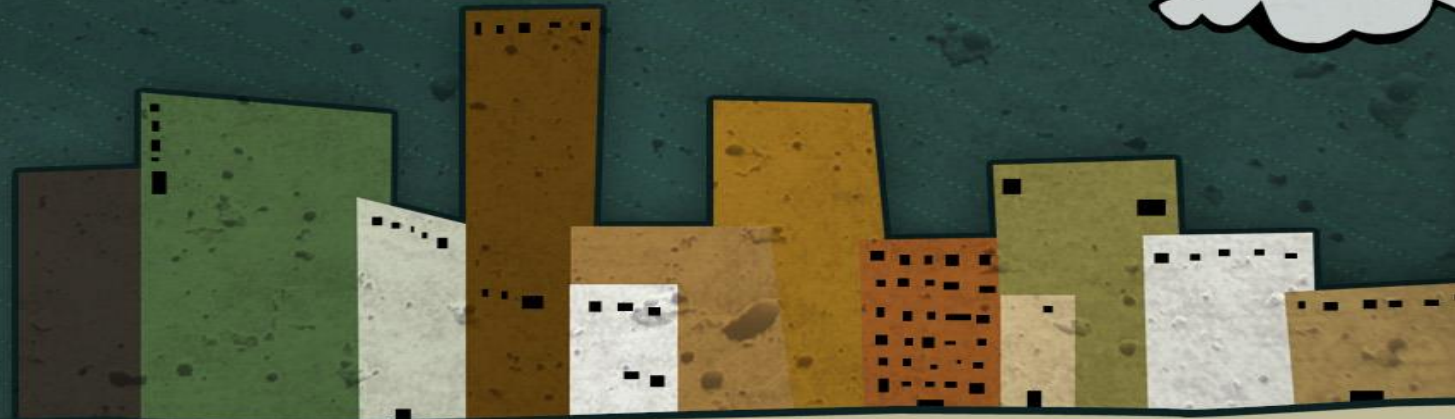
1 Pt. 1:3

*Blessed be the God and Father
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mercy has begotten us again
to a **living hope**
through the resurrection of
Jesus Christ from the dead,*



HOW HOPE HELPS?

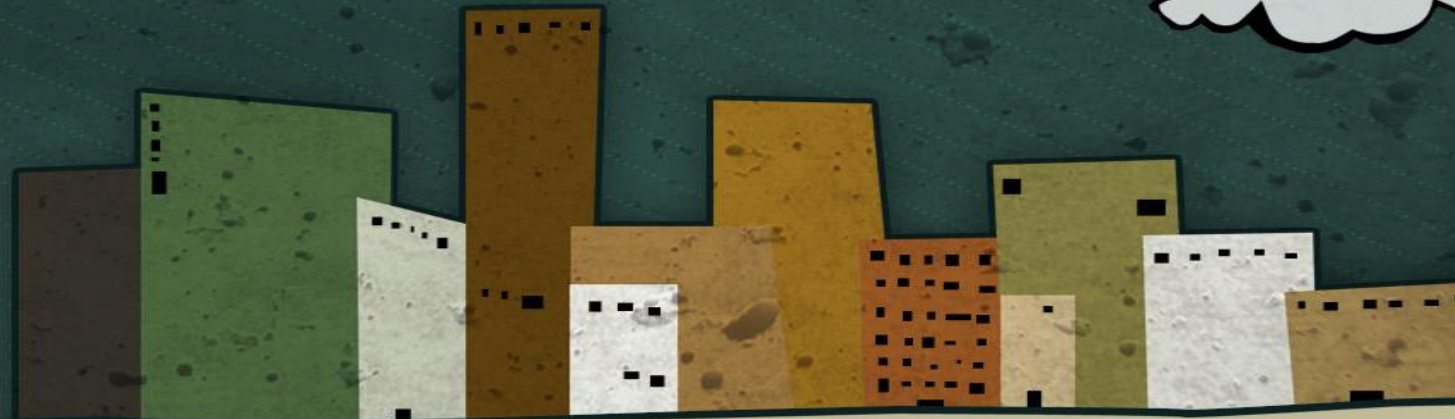
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How Hope Helps?

Encourages Me to Get Started

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Isa 40:31



*but those who **hope in the LORD** will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.*

How Hope Helps?

Encourages Me to Get Started

Enables Me to Live With _____

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2 Cor 1:7

*And our **hope** for
you is firm, because
we know that just as
you share in our
sufferings, so also you
share in our comfort.*



How Hope Helps?

Encourages Me to Get Started

Enables Me to Live With _____

Emboldens Me to Go On

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Rom 12:12

*Be joyful in
hope, patient in
affliction,
faithful in
prayer.*



Rom 15:13

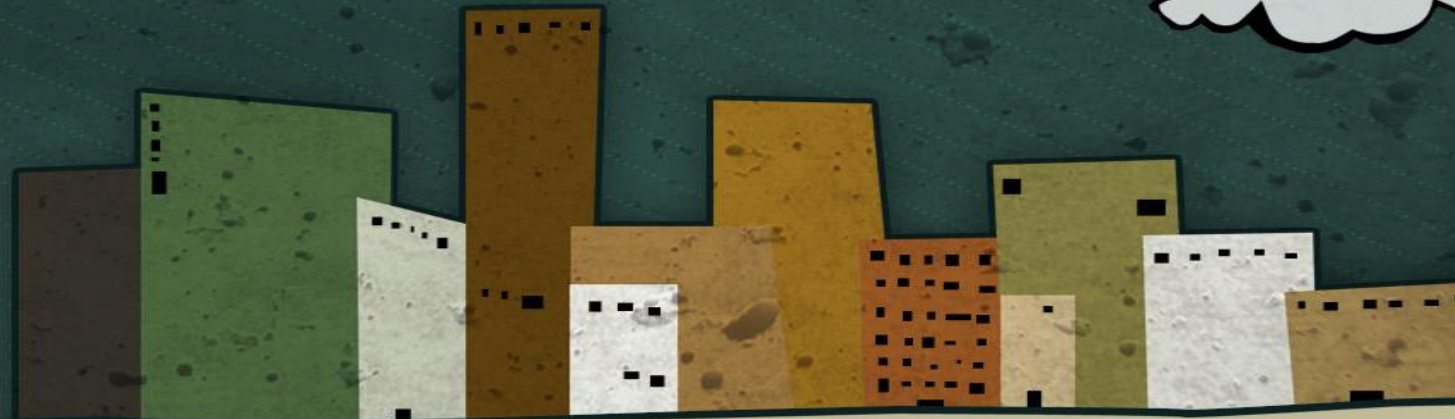
*May the **God of hope** fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*



How Hope Helps?

- Empowers Me to Say No!

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1 Jn 3:3

*Everyone who has
the **hope in Christ**
keeps himself pure
just as Christ is pure.*



Rom 5:4-5

*Suffering produces
perseverance; perseverance,
character; and character, **hope**.
And **hope** does not disappoint
us, because God has poured
out his love into our hearts by
the Holy Spirit, whom he has
given us.*



Why You Need it?

- Provides an Anchor in Life

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Heb 6:19

This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil,



Why You Need it?

- Provides an Anchor in Life
- Supplies Assurance in Death

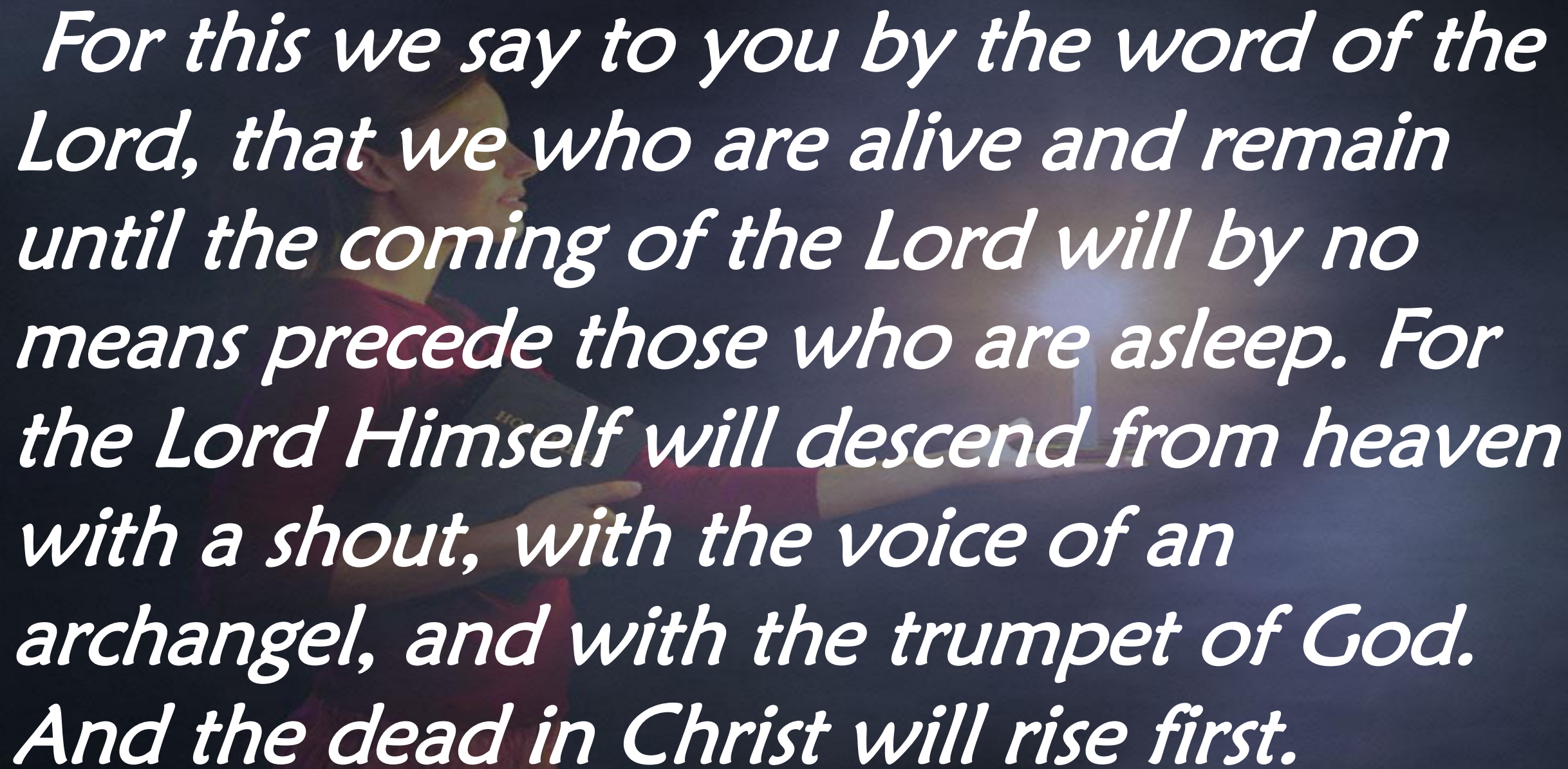
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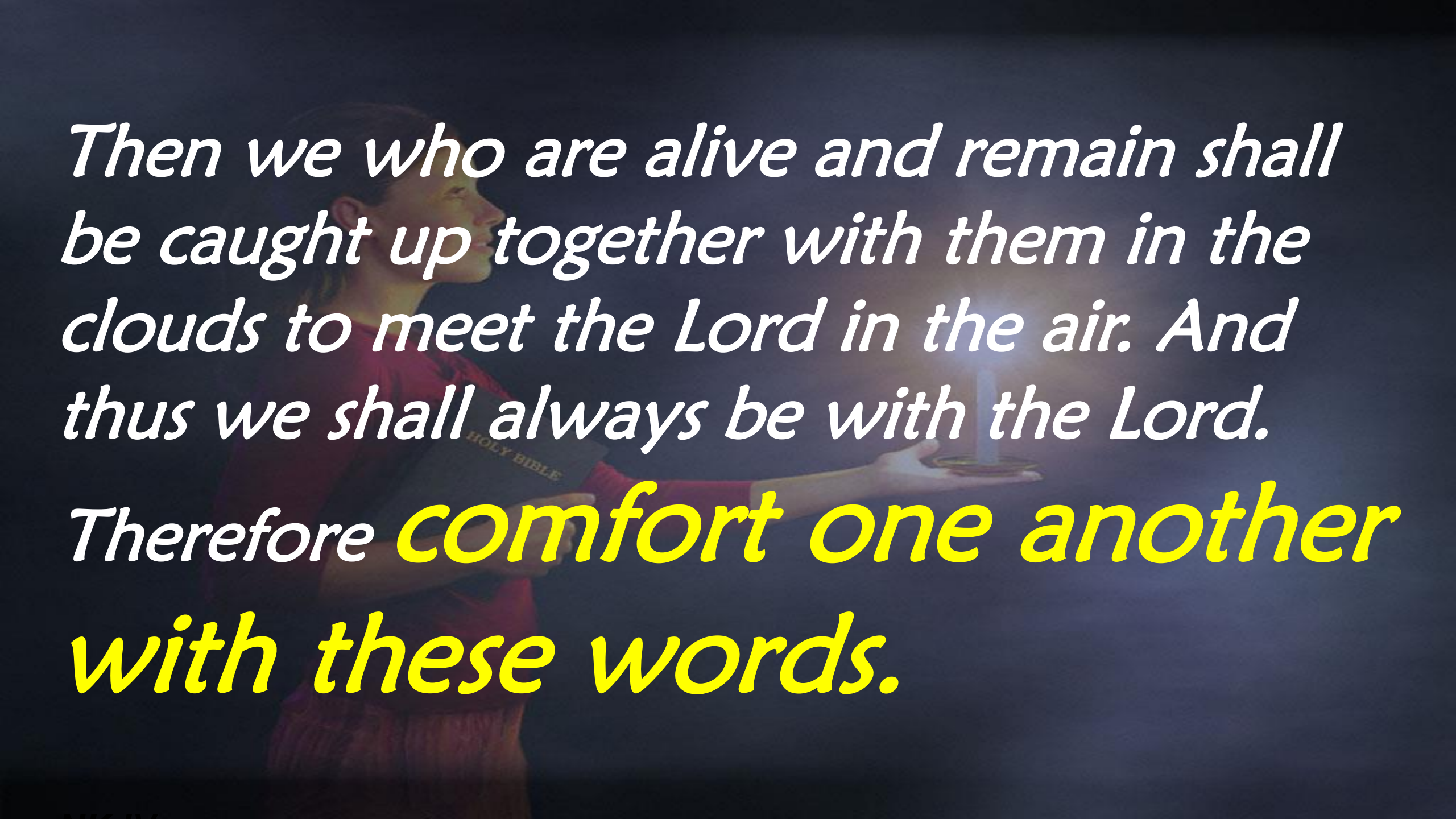
A woman with long brown hair, wearing a red long-sleeved shirt, is shown in profile from the waist up. She is holding a dark-colored Bible with both hands. Behind her, a bright, glowing light source, possibly a candle or a small lamp, creates a soft, warm glow that illuminates her face and the text. The background is dark and out of focus.

*But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren,
concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you*

*sorrow as others who have no **hope.** For if
we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so
God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus.*

A woman with dark hair, wearing a red long-sleeved shirt, is shown from the chest up, holding a dark book. She is looking towards the right. In the background, there is a bright, glowing light source, possibly a window or a lamp, creating a soft glow. The overall scene is dimly lit, with the light source providing the main illumination.

For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.

A woman in profile, wearing a red garment, is shown holding a dark book labeled 'HOLY BIBLE' in her left hand and a small, ornate chalice in her right hand. She is looking upwards and to the right. The background is dark and atmospheric, with a soft light source behind her, creating a halo effect. The text is overlaid on this image.

Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.

*Therefore **comfort one another with these words.***

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- Supplies Assurance in Death
- Gives an Aim for the Future

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*to an inheritance incorruptible
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heaven for you,*



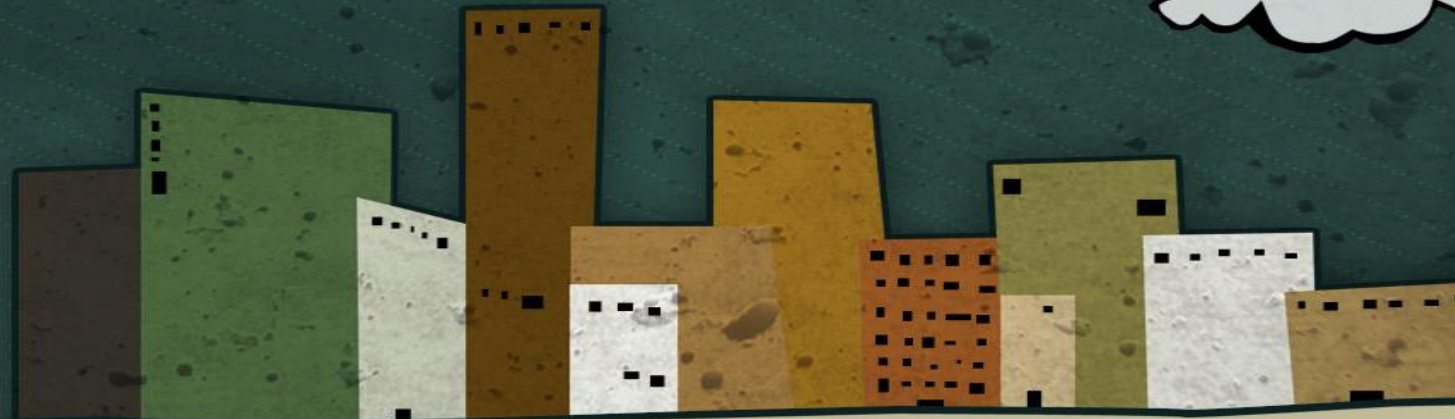


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*we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all the saints—the faith and love that spring from **the hope that is stored up for you in heaven***

Col.1:4-5

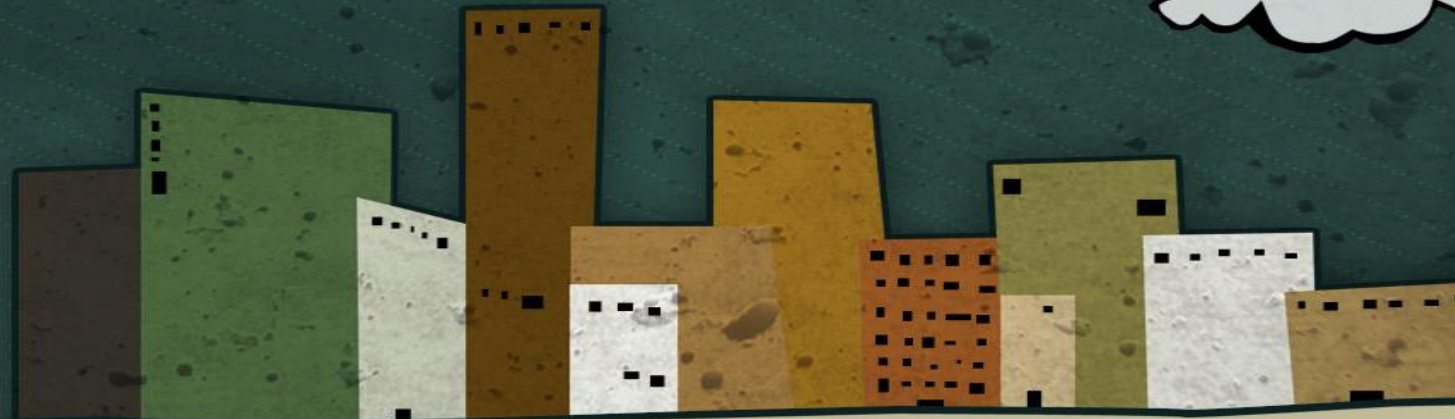
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