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**JESUS, THE BETTER WORD**



# HEBREWS 4:12-13 ESV

<sup>12</sup> For the **WORD OF GOD** is **LIVING** and **ACTIVE, SHARPER** than any two-edged sword, **PIERCING** to the **DIVISION** of **SOUL** and of **SPIRIT**, of joints and of marrow, and **discerning** the **THOUGHTS** and **INTENTIONS OF** **THE HEART.**

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<sup>13</sup> And no creature is hidden from His sight, but all are **NAKED** and **EXPOSED** to the eyes of Him to whom **we must give account.**

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and message



# LUKE 24:44-46 CEB

<sup>44</sup> Jesus said to them, “**These are My words** that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about Me in the **Law from Moses, the Prophets, and the Psalms must be fulfilled.**”

# LUKE 24:44-46 CEB

<sup>45</sup> Then He opened their minds to understand the scriptures. <sup>46</sup> He said to them, “This is what is written: the Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day.

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# JOHN 1:1-3 & 14 CEB

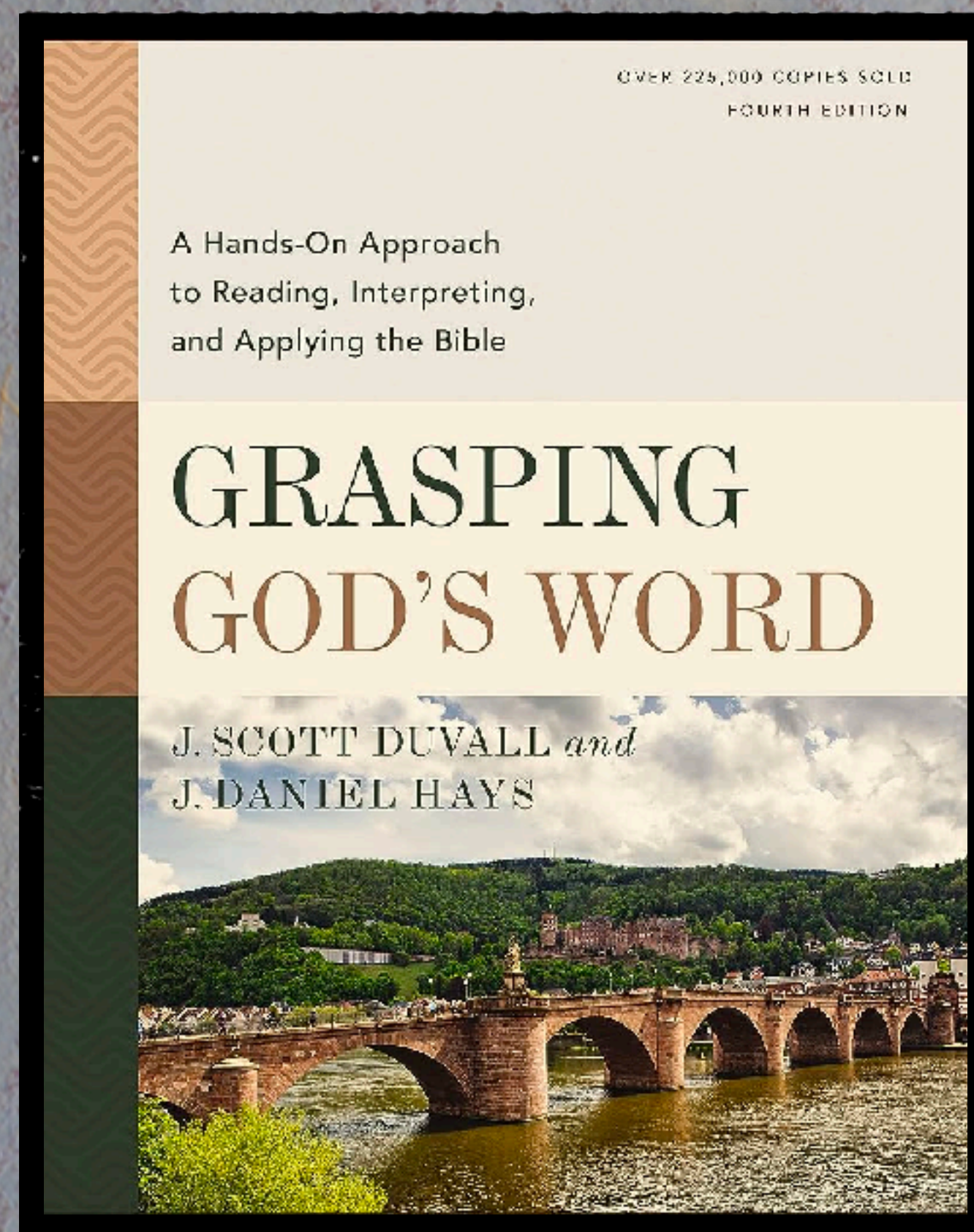
<sup>1</sup> In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> The Word was with God in the beginning. <sup>3</sup> Everything came into being through the Word, and without the Word nothing came into being.

# JOHN 1:1-3 & 14 CEB

<sup>14</sup> The **Word became flesh** and made His home among us. We have **seen His glory**, glory like that of a **Father's only Son, full of grace and truth.**

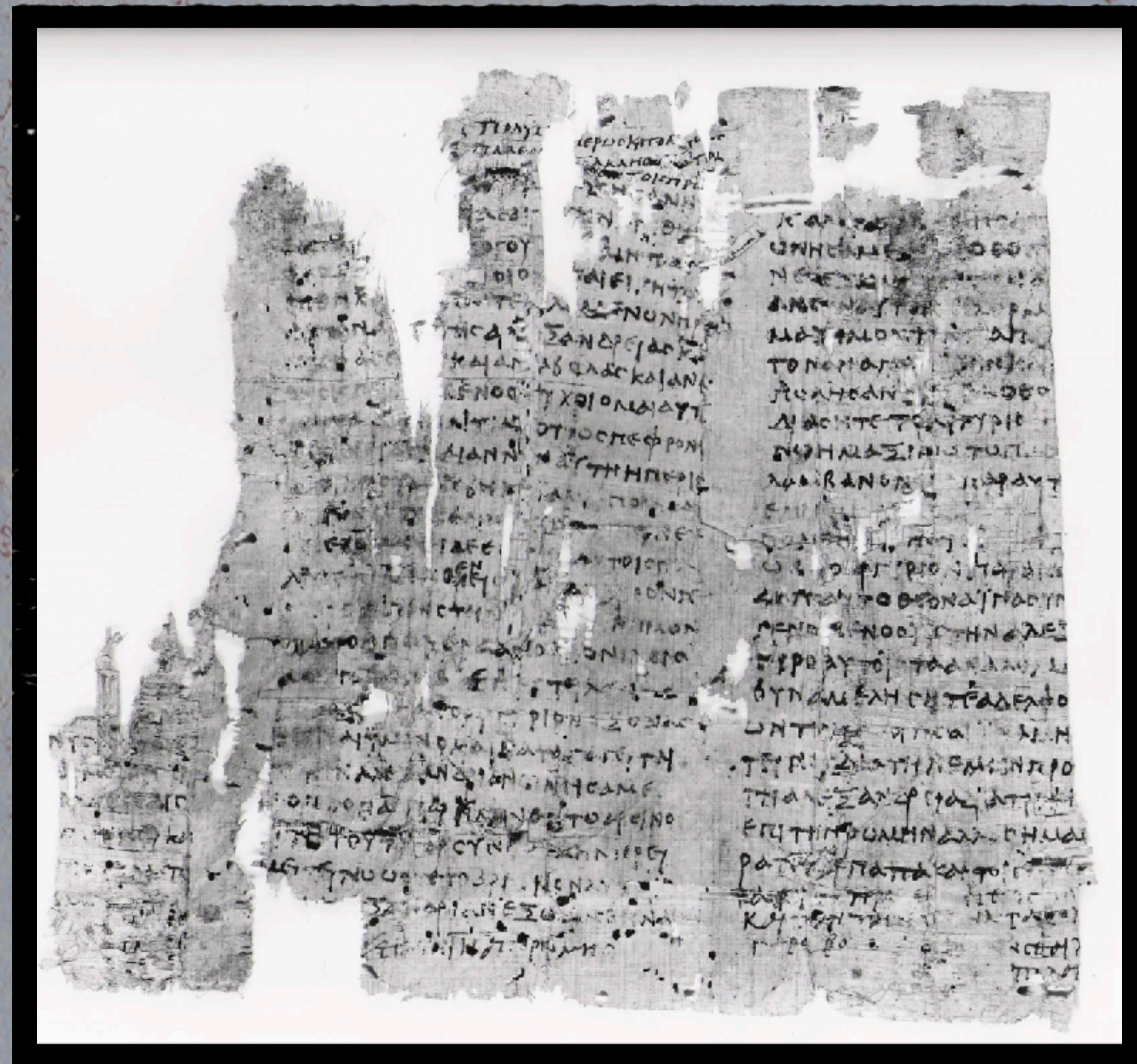
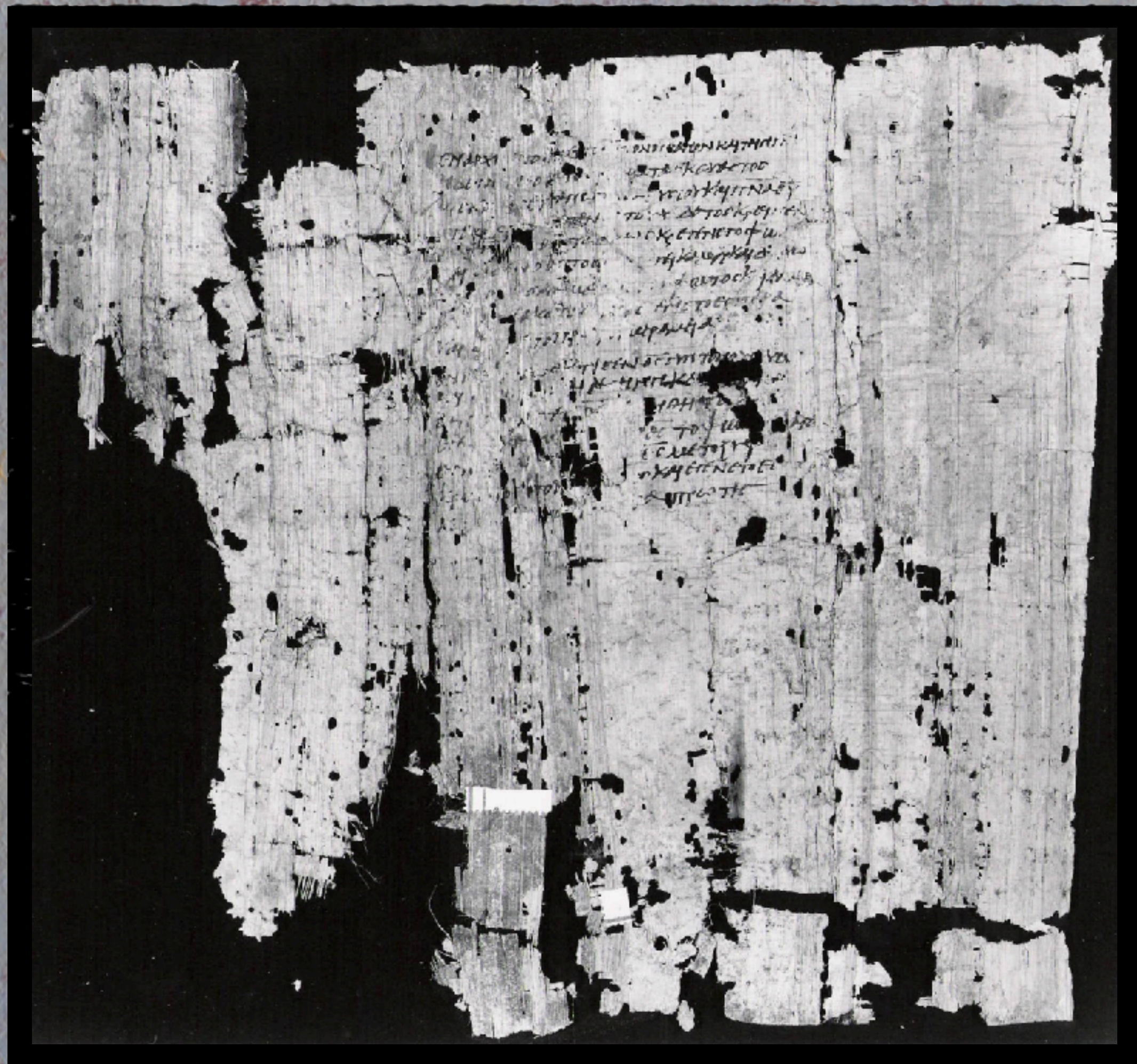
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- Jesus' teaching and message
- Jesus Himself
- Reliability



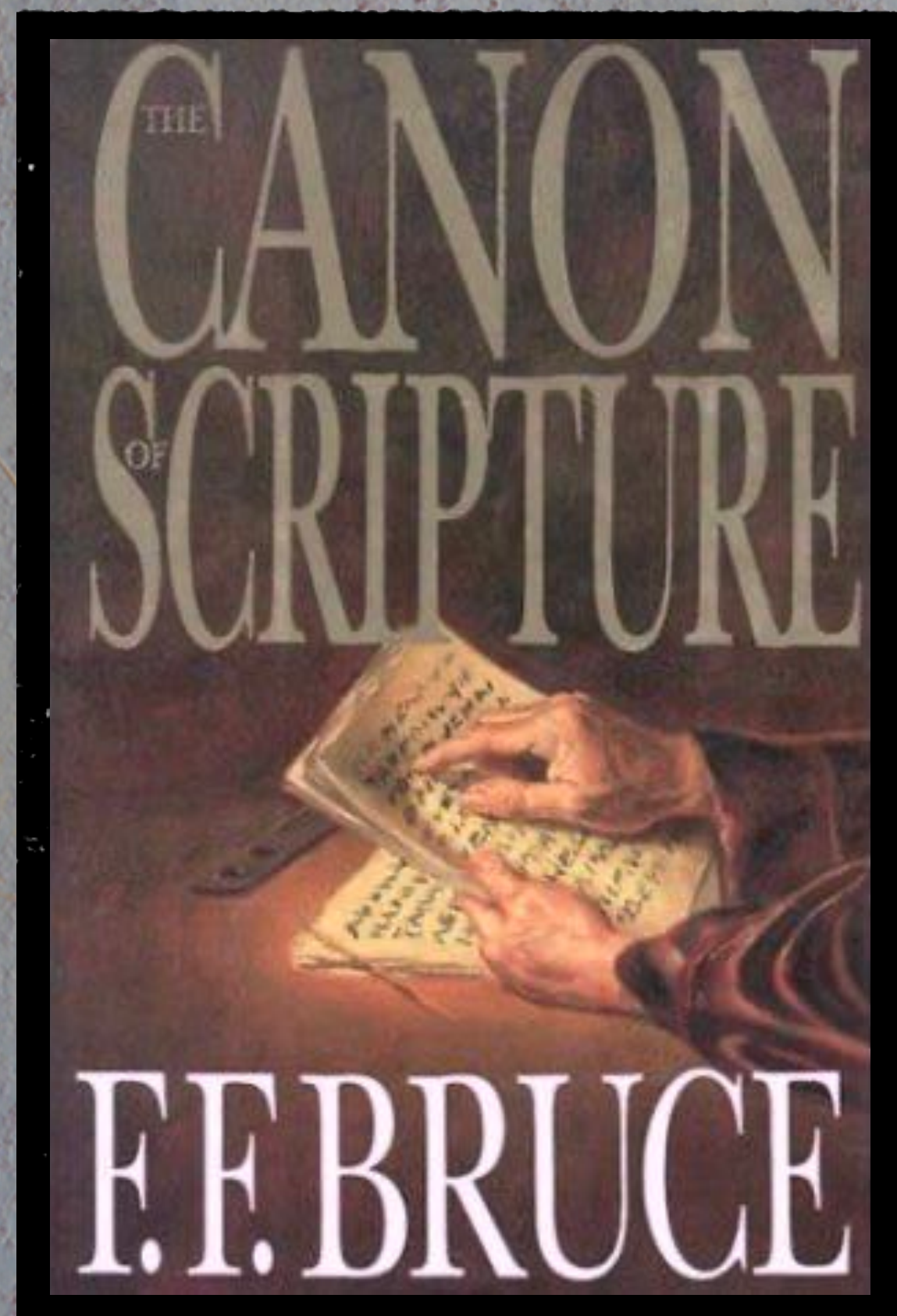
**“Divine Inspiration – the process by which God directed individuals, incorporating their abilities and styles, to produce His message to humankind.”**

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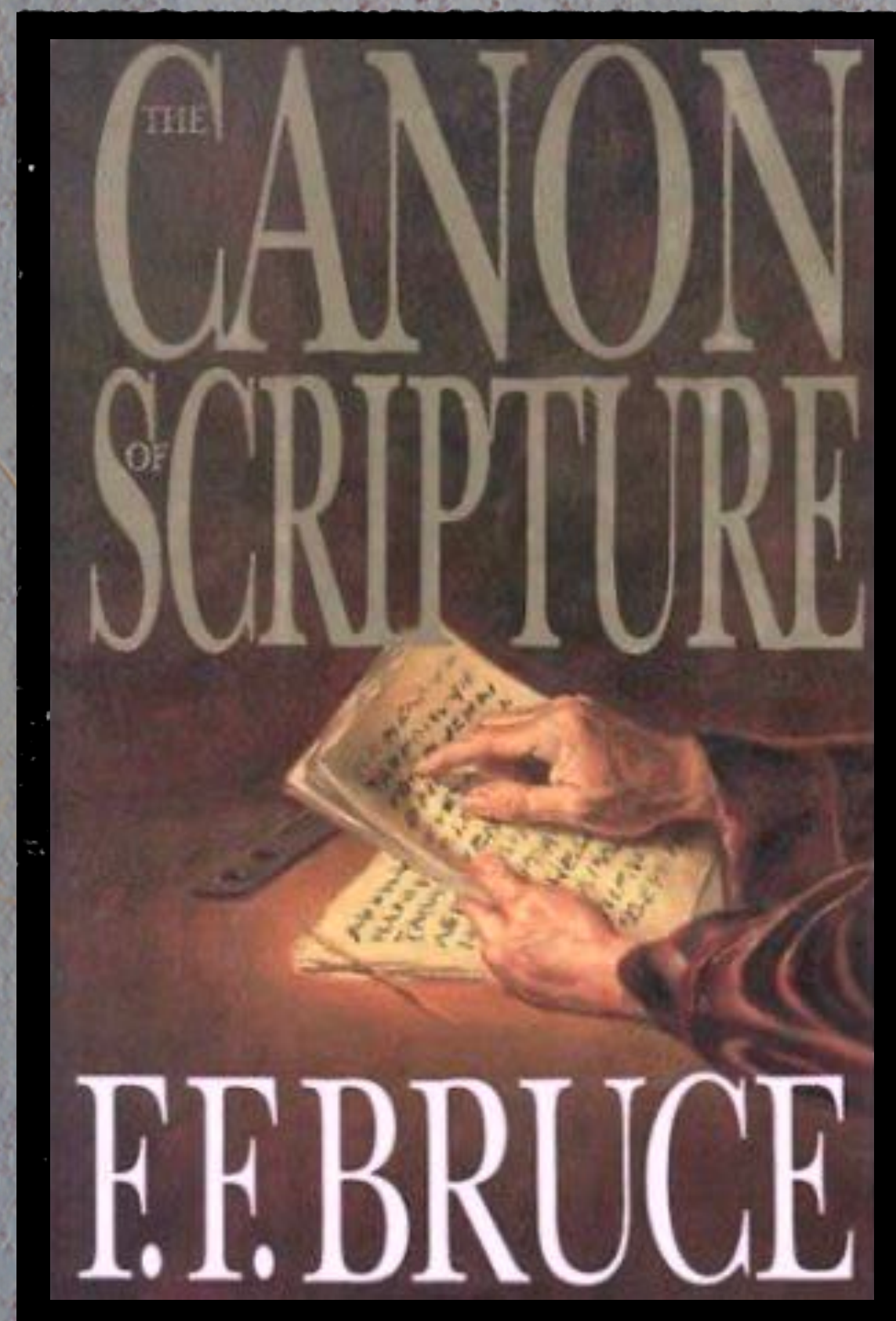




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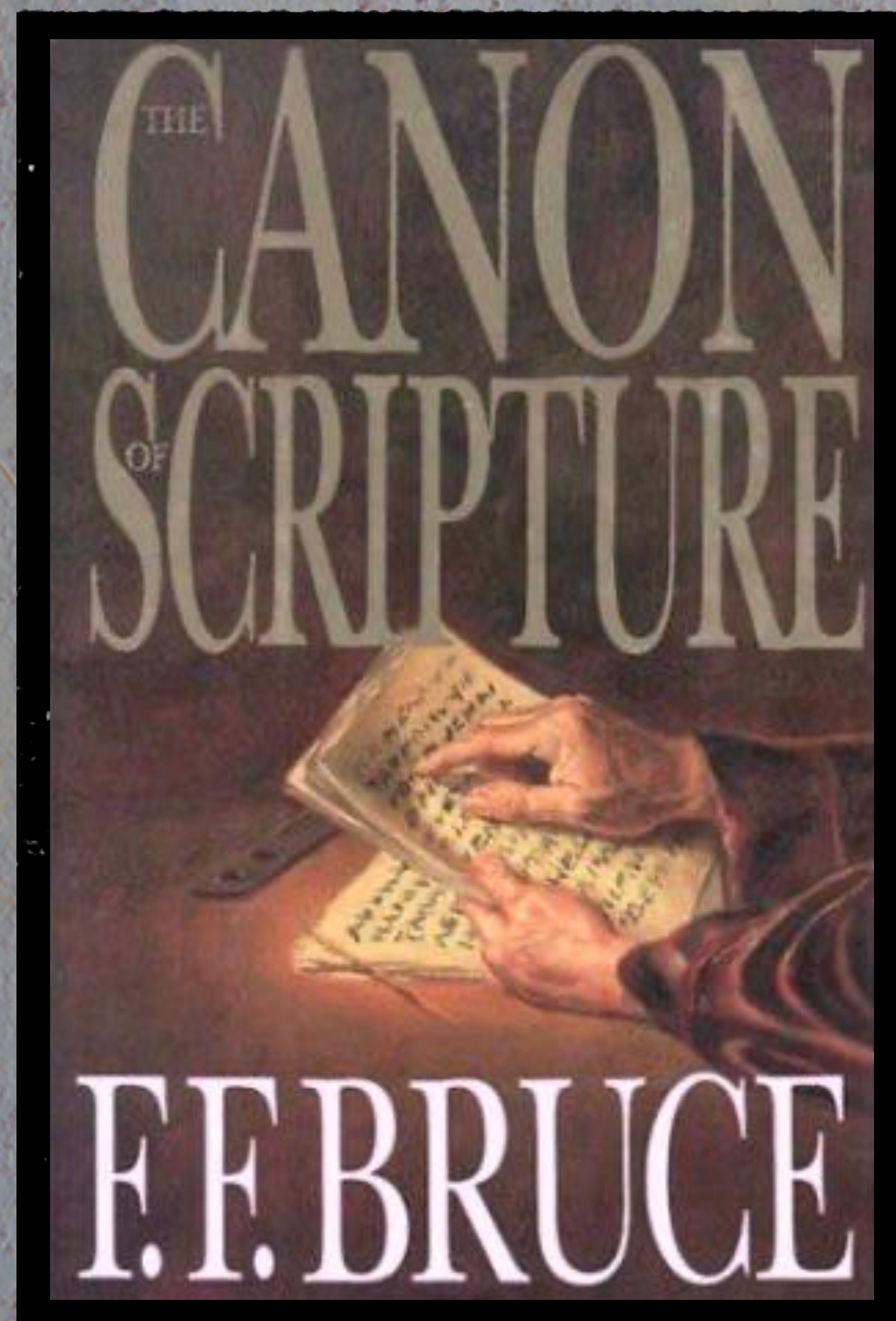
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**But confidence in such an act of faith will be strengthened if the same faith proves to have been exercised by Christians in other places and at other times...**

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**The canon is a divine product, a result of the Holy Spirit's work in guiding the church to recognize and receive the inspired writings of God.”**

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The Word of God is  
living and active.

It pierces and  
separates. It exposes.

# 1. Living and active.

# 1 CORINTHIANS 2:13-14 CEB

<sup>13</sup> These are the things we are talking about—not with words taught by human wisdom but with **words taught by the Spirit**—we are **interpreting spiritual things to spiritual people.**

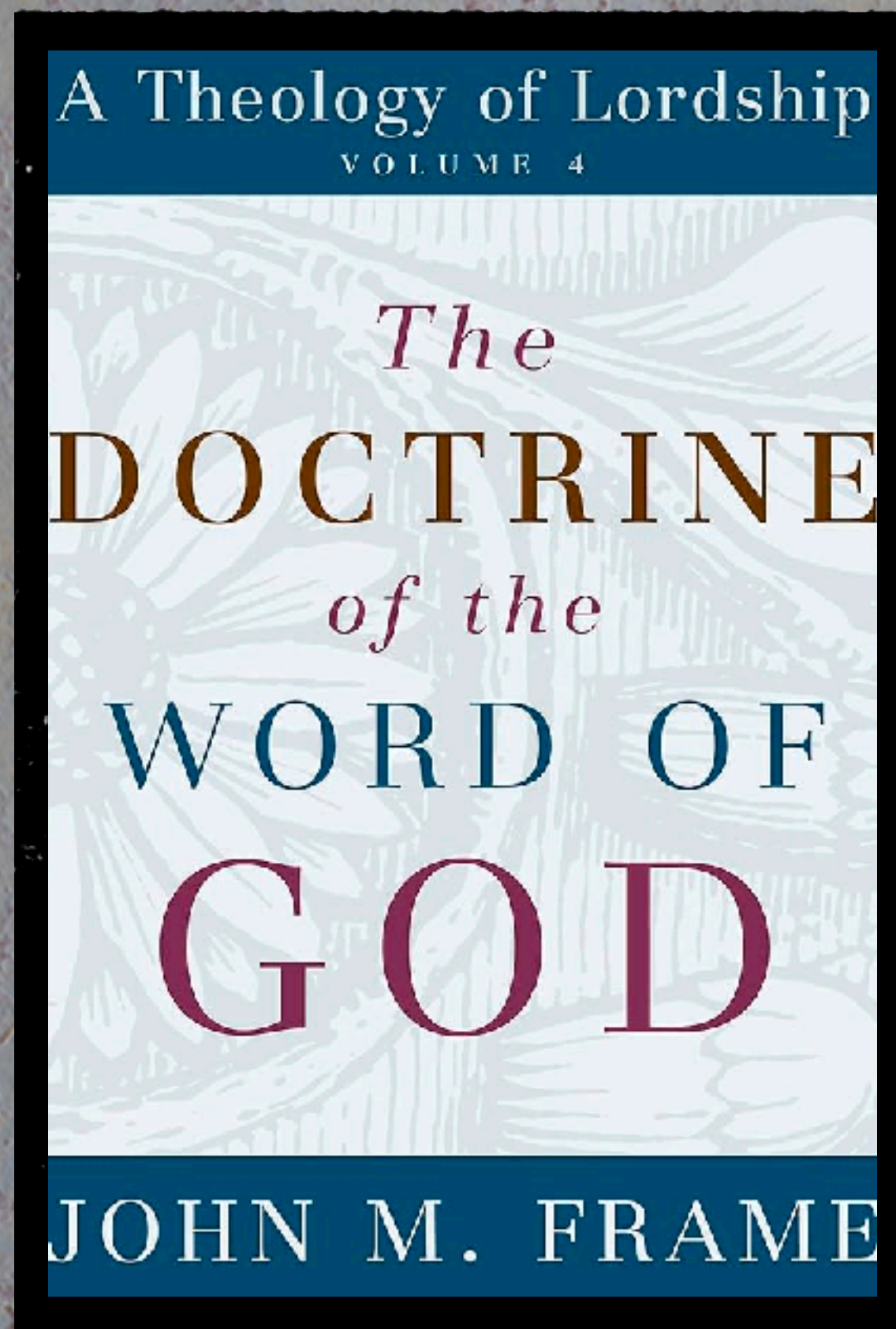
# 1 CORINTHIANS 2:13-14 CEB

14 But [THE NATURAL MAN] people who are **unspiritual don't accept the things from God's Spirit.** They are foolishness to them and can't be understood, because they can only be comprehended in a spiritual way.

## 1. LIVING AND ACTIVE

It's living because  
**Jesus is alive.**





**“When we encounter the word of God, we encounter God. His word, indeed, is His personal presence. Whenever God's word is spoken, read, or heard, God Himself is there.”**

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**JOHN FRAME  
THE DOCTRINE OF THE WORD OF GOD**

# 2. Pierces and separates.



**ROMAN GLADIUS**

## 2. PIERCES AND SEPARATES

Divides soul  
and spirit.

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**Joints and  
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# 3. Exposes.

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