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# 10 Good Words

A study of the “10 Commandments”

# Living in a culture of death







**No Murder**  
***(Respect Life!)***

***~ Exodus 20:13 ~***

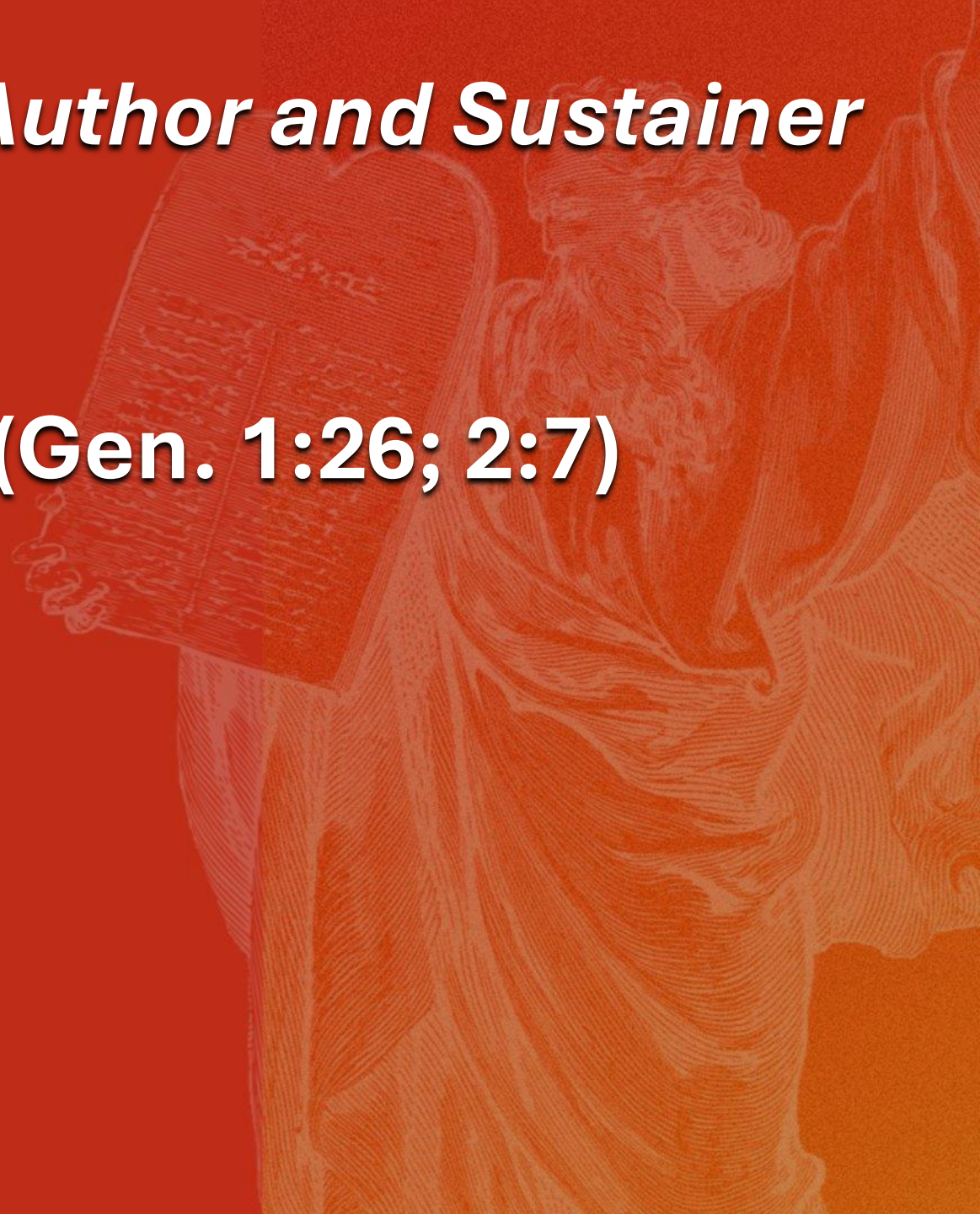
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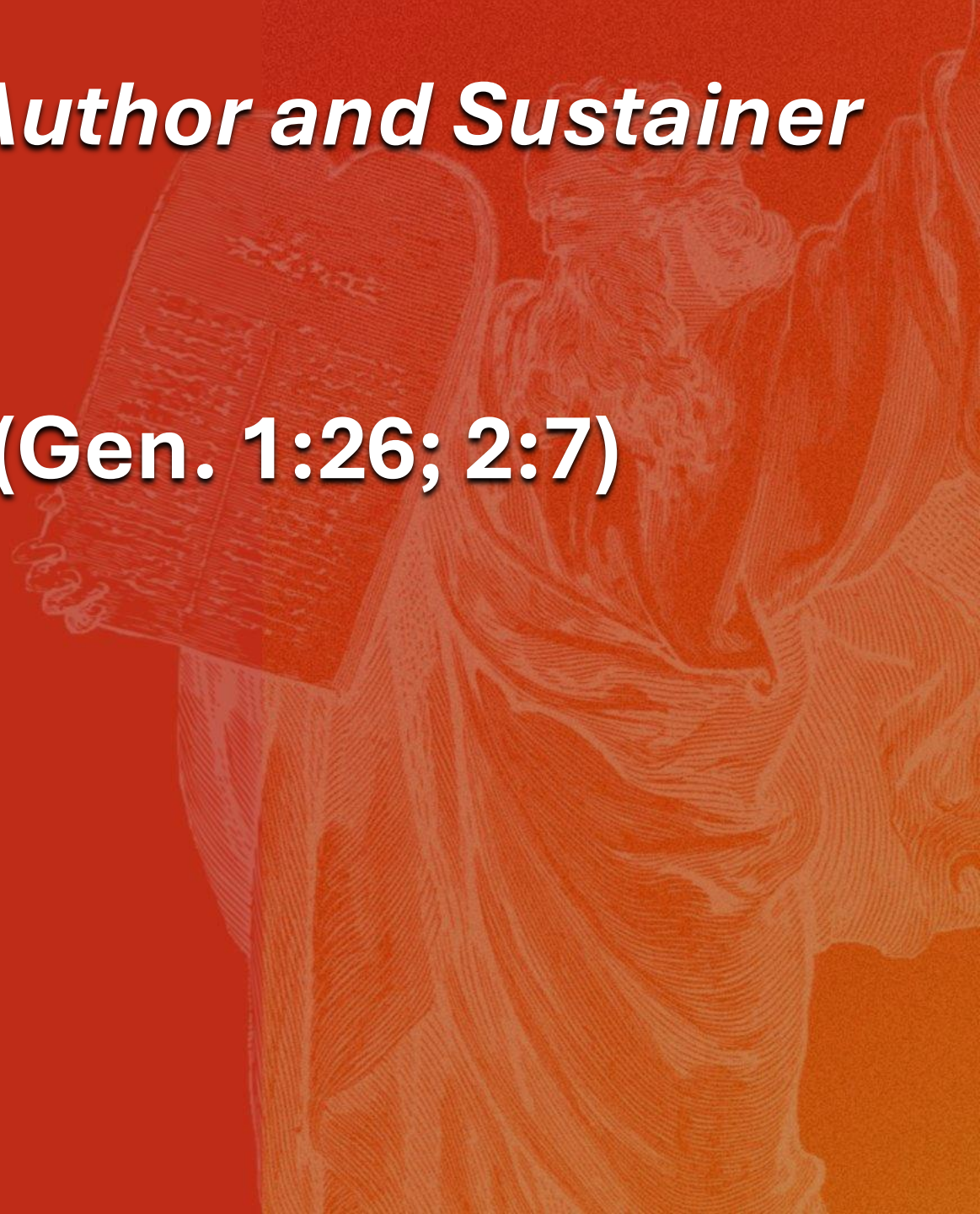
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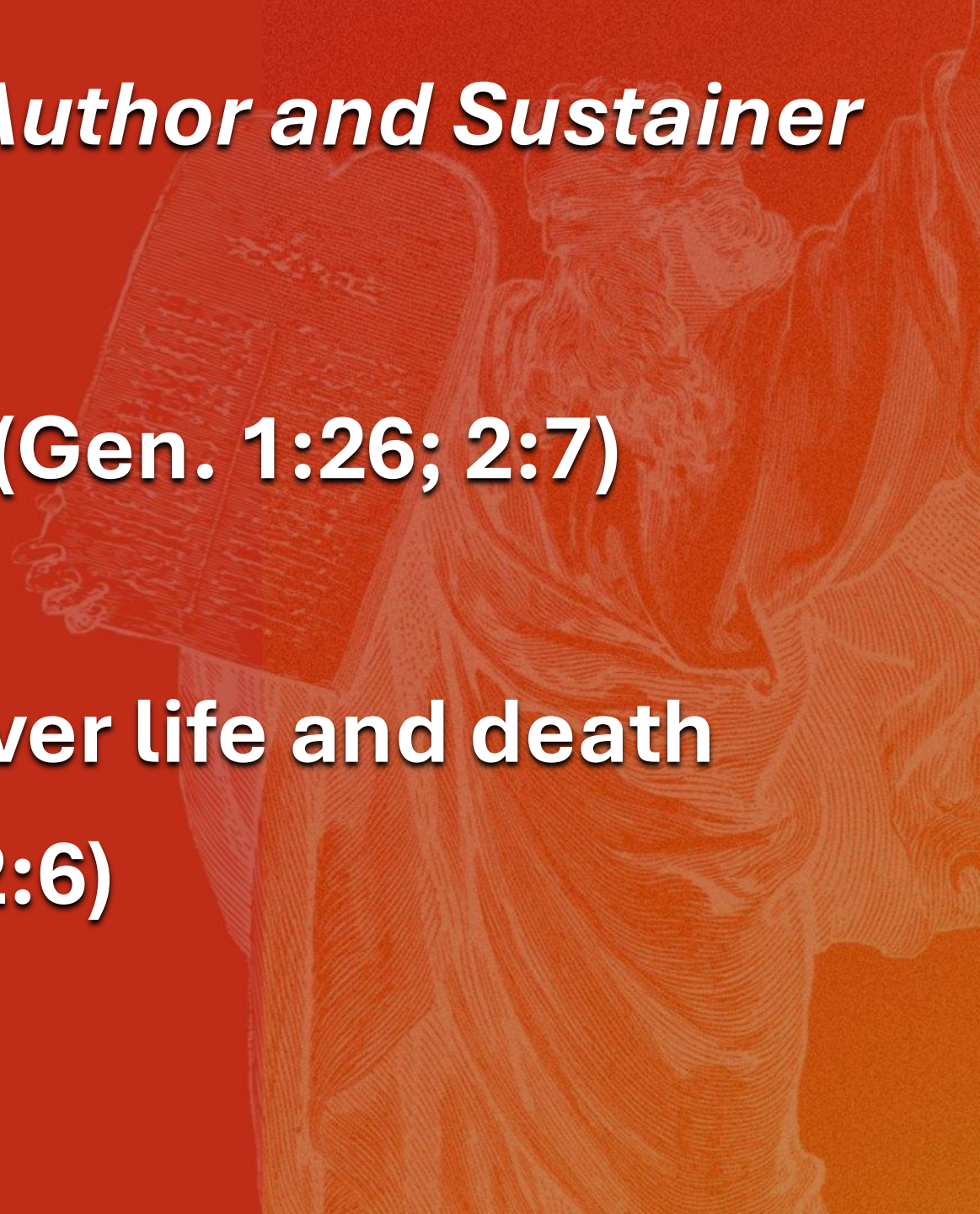
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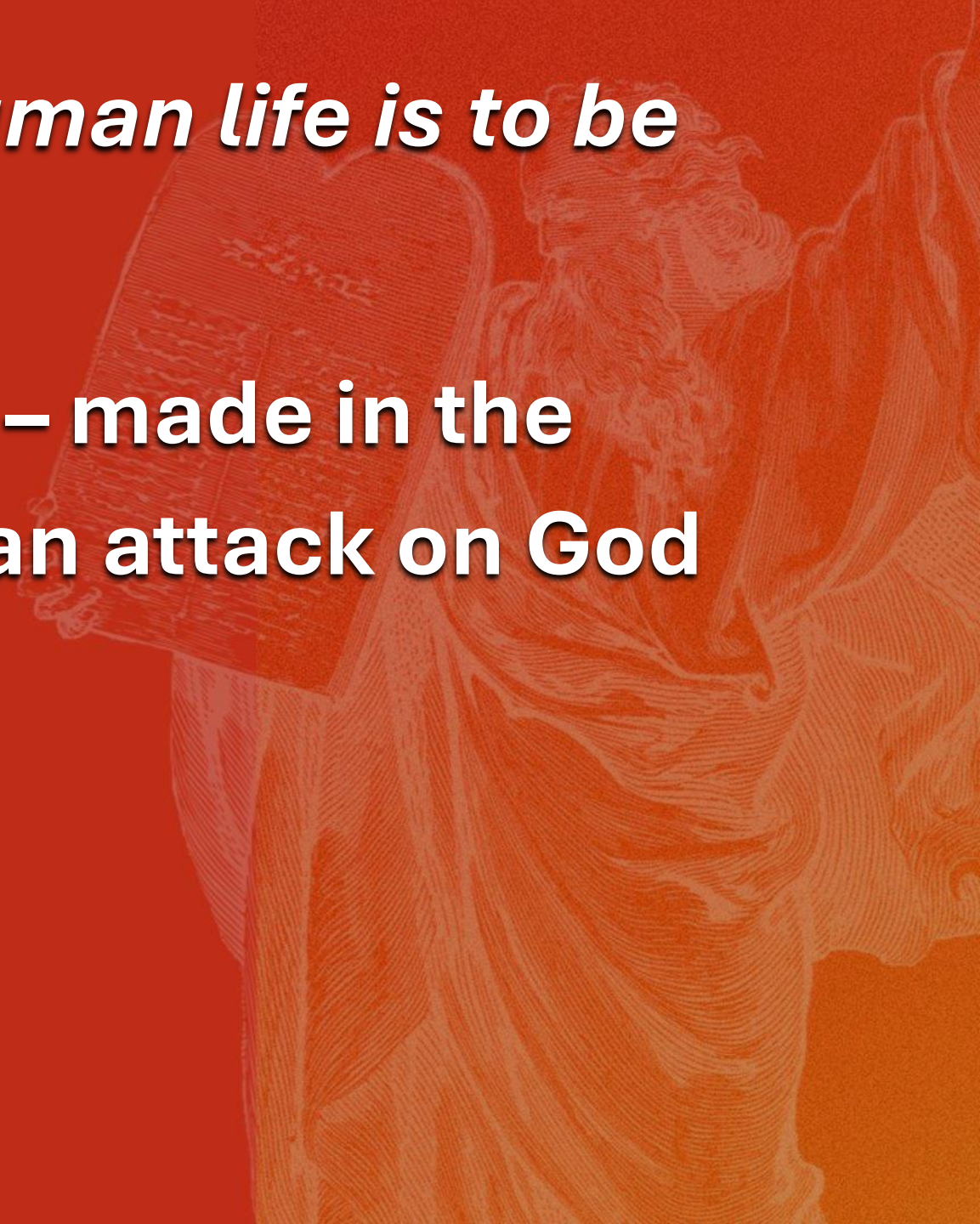
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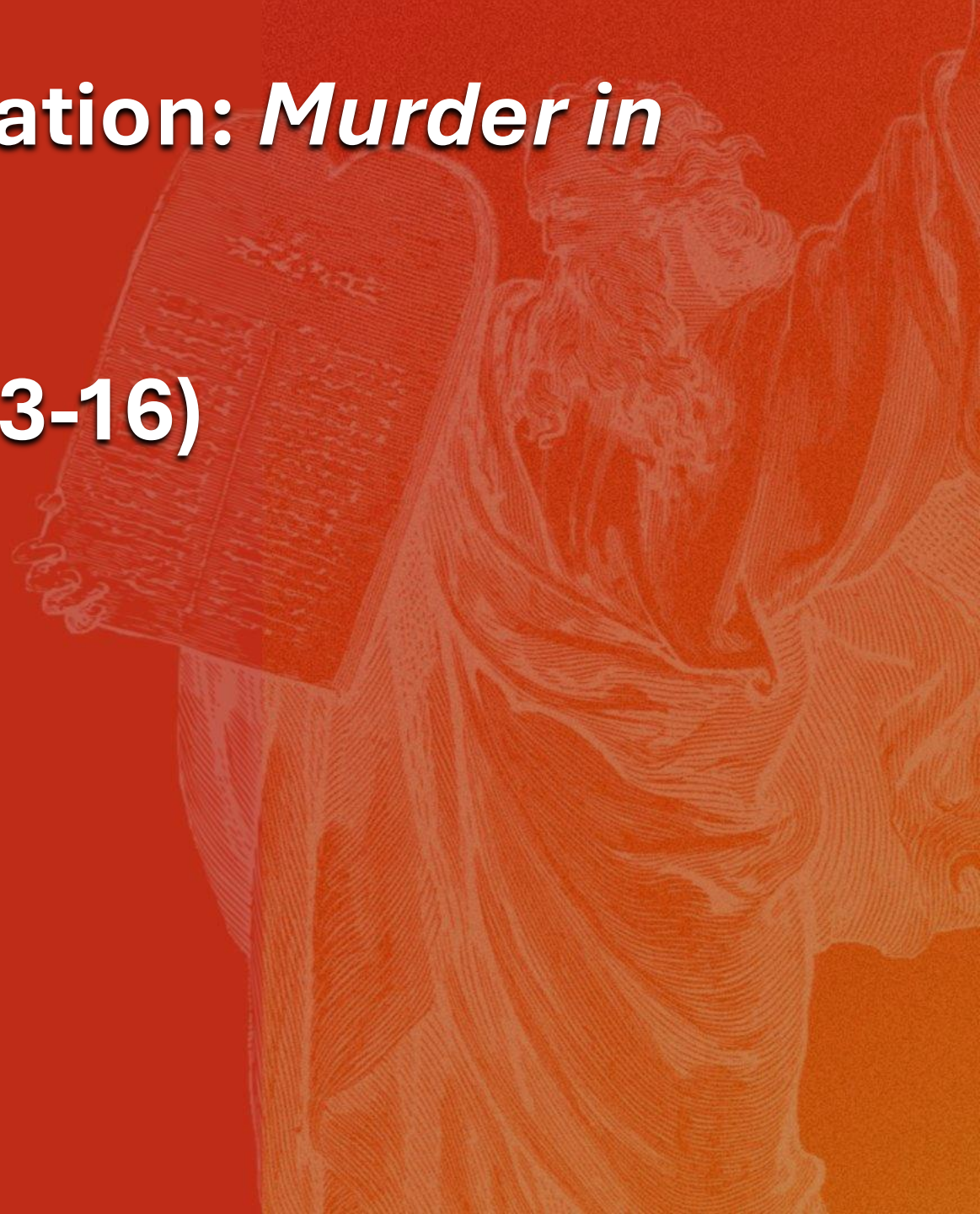


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# IV. The Broader Application: *Jesus applies the law to the hearts of us all* (Matt. 5)





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Acts 3:14-15, “*But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead.*”

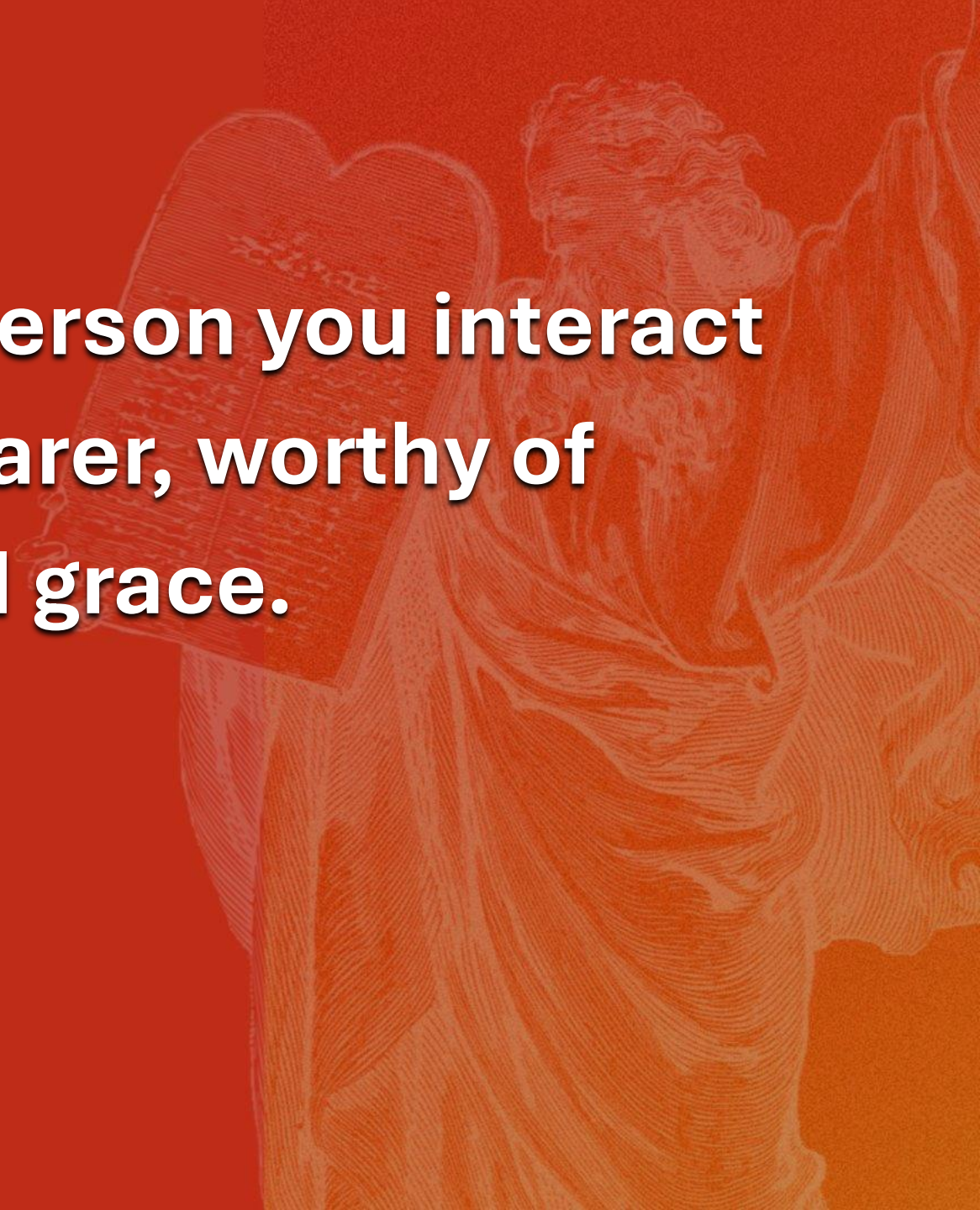
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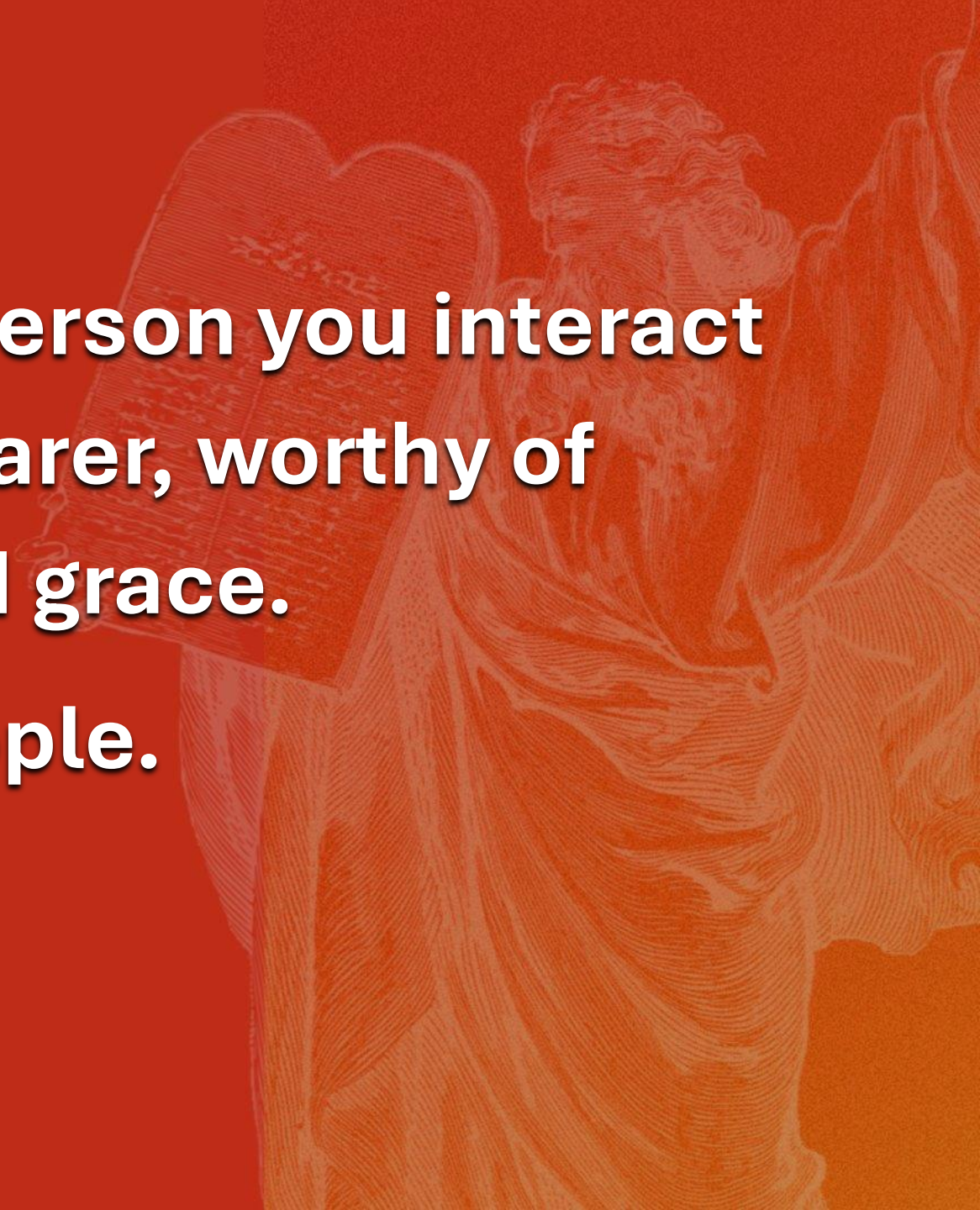
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