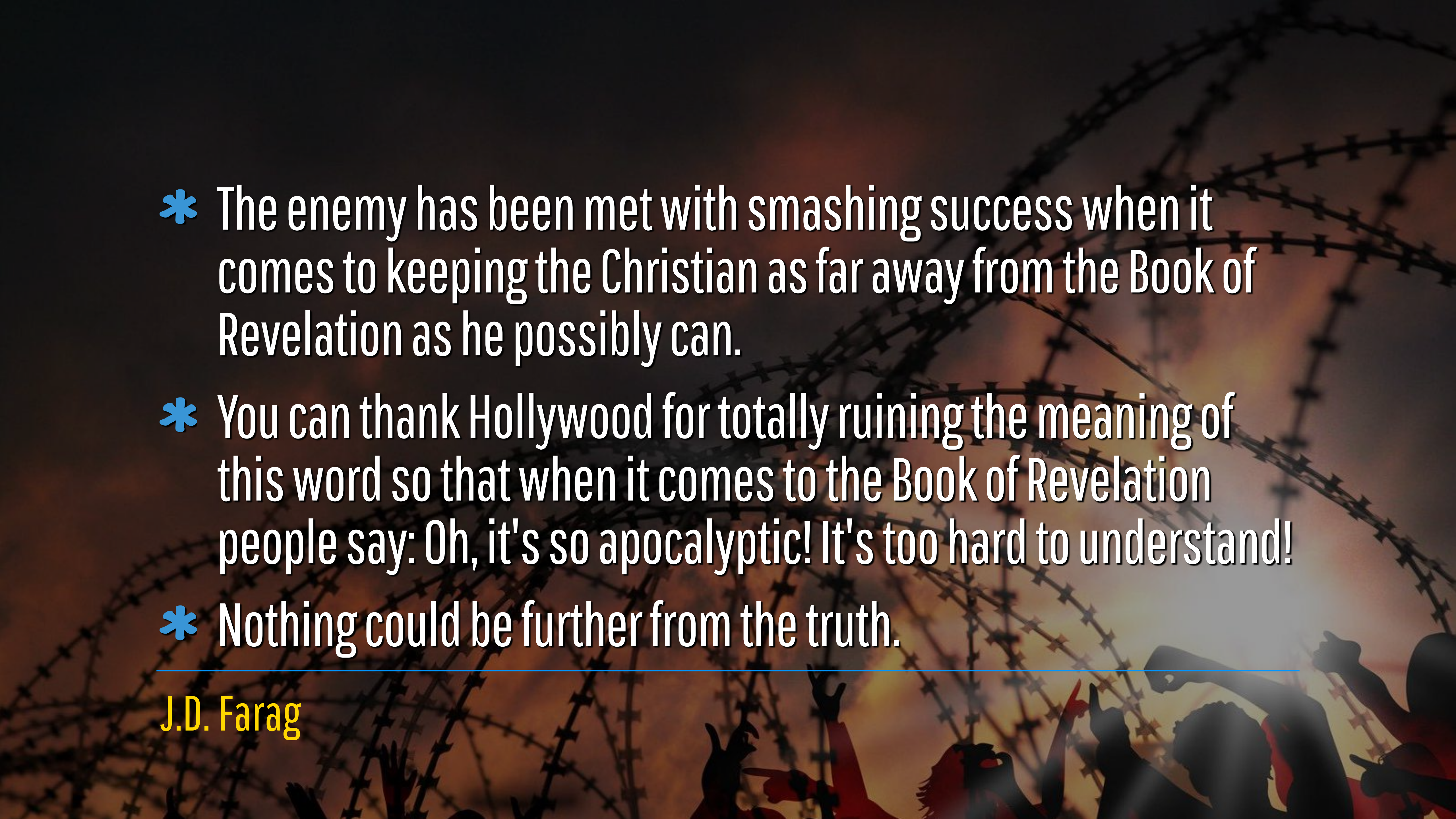


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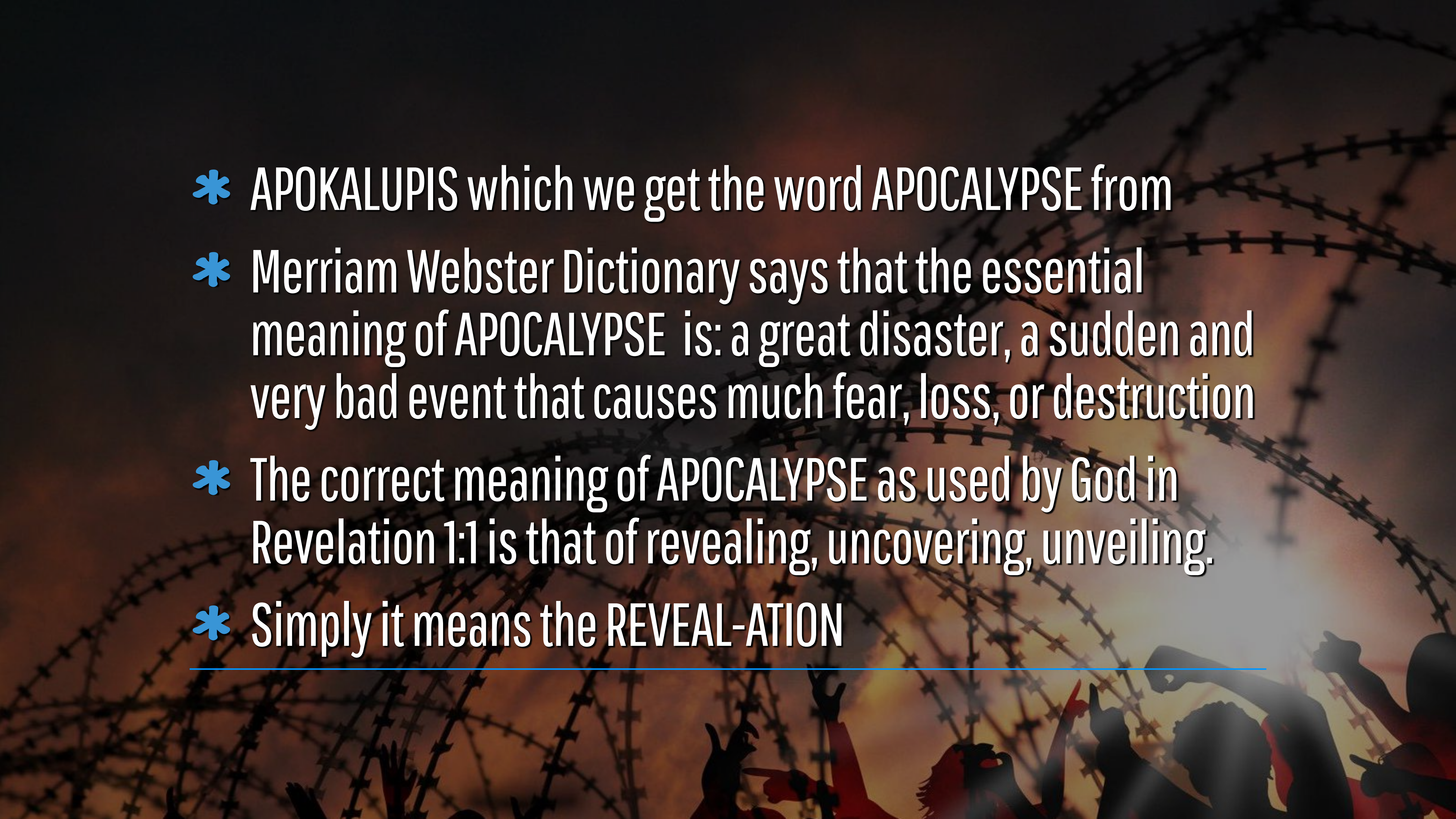


Revelation 1:1-3

1. The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show to His servants the things that must soon take place. He made it known by sending His angel to His servant John
2. who bore witness to the word of God and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, even to all that he saw.
3. Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear, and who keep what is written in it, for the time is near.

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- * The enemy has been met with smashing success when it comes to keeping the Christian as far away from the Book of Revelation as he possibly can.
 - * You can thank Hollywood for totally ruining the meaning of this word so that when it comes to the Book of Revelation people say: Oh, it's so apocalyptic! It's too hard to understand!
 - * Nothing could be further from the truth.

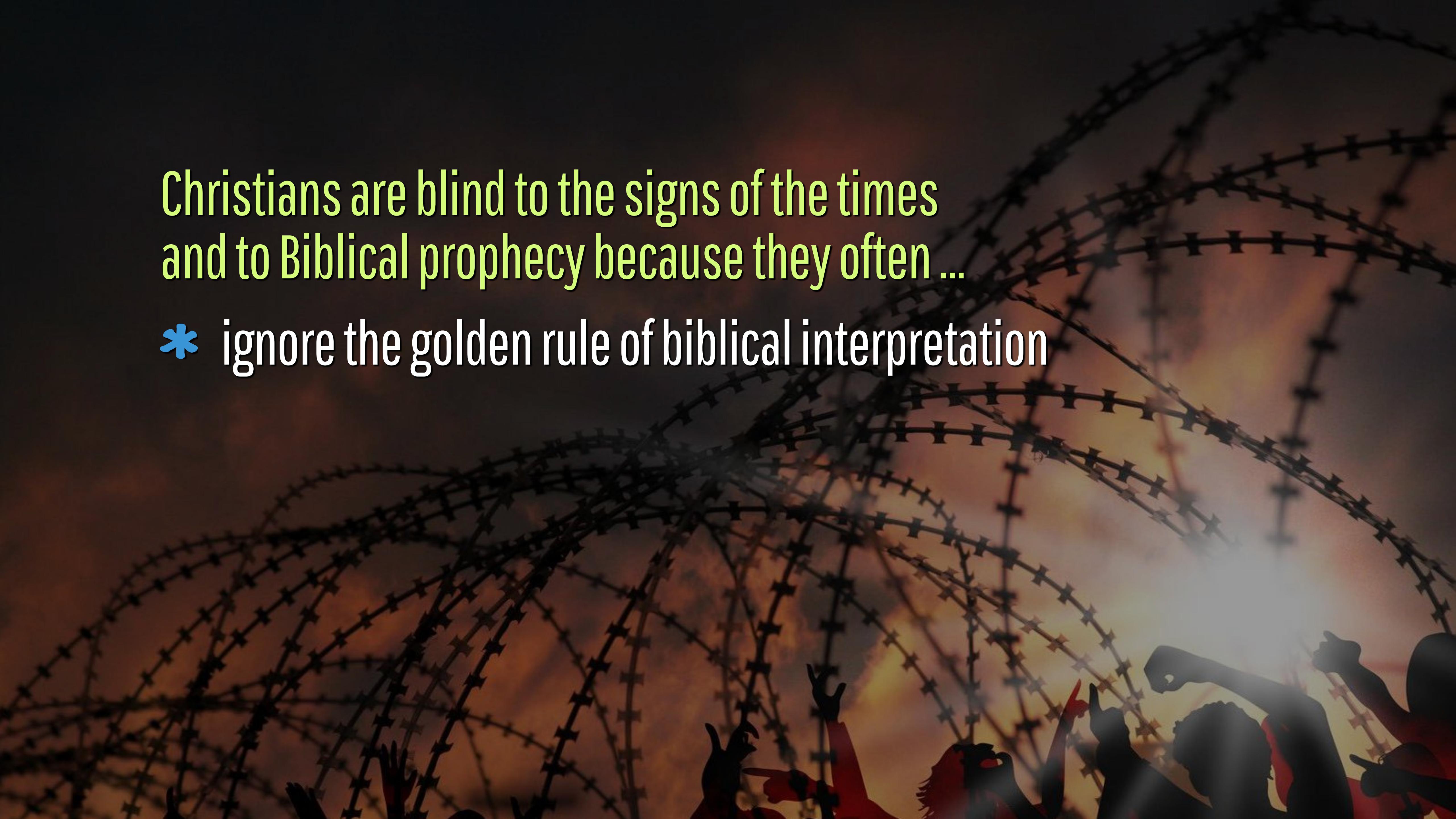
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- * APOKALUPIS which we get the word APOCALYPSE from
 - * Merriam Webster Dictionary says that the essential meaning of APOCALYPSE is: a great disaster, a sudden and very bad event that causes much fear, loss, or destruction
 - * The correct meaning of APOCALYPSE as used by God in Revelation 1:1 is that of revealing, uncovering, unveiling.
 - * Simply it means the REVEAL-ATION
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THE GOLDEN RULE OF BIBLICAL INTERPRETATION

When the plain sense of Scripture makes common sense, seek no other sense; therefore, take every word at its primary, ordinary, usual, literal meaning unless the facts of the immediate context, studied in the light of related passages and axiomatic and fundamental truths, indicate clearly otherwise.

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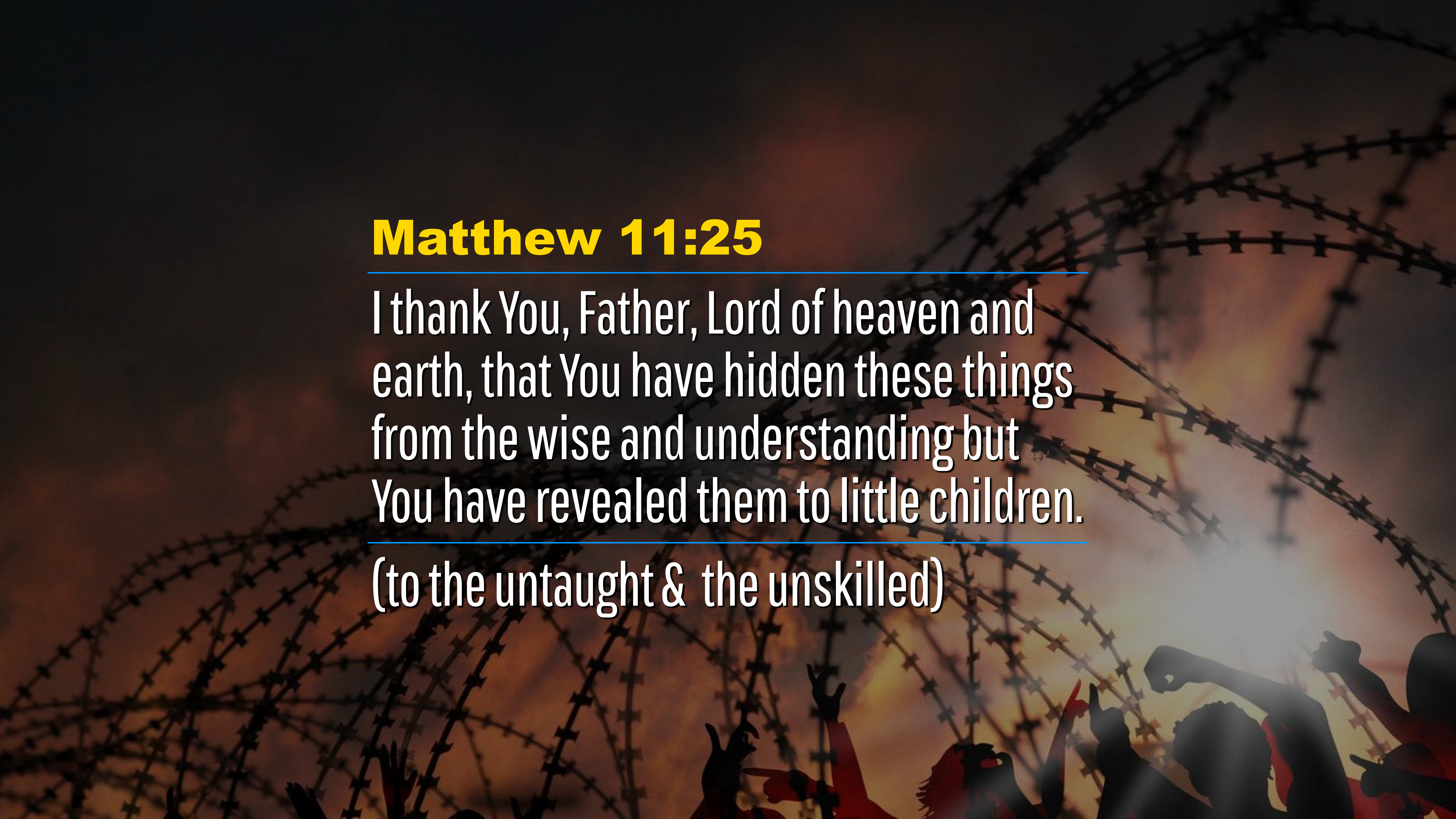
Luke 12:54–56 (Amplified Bible)

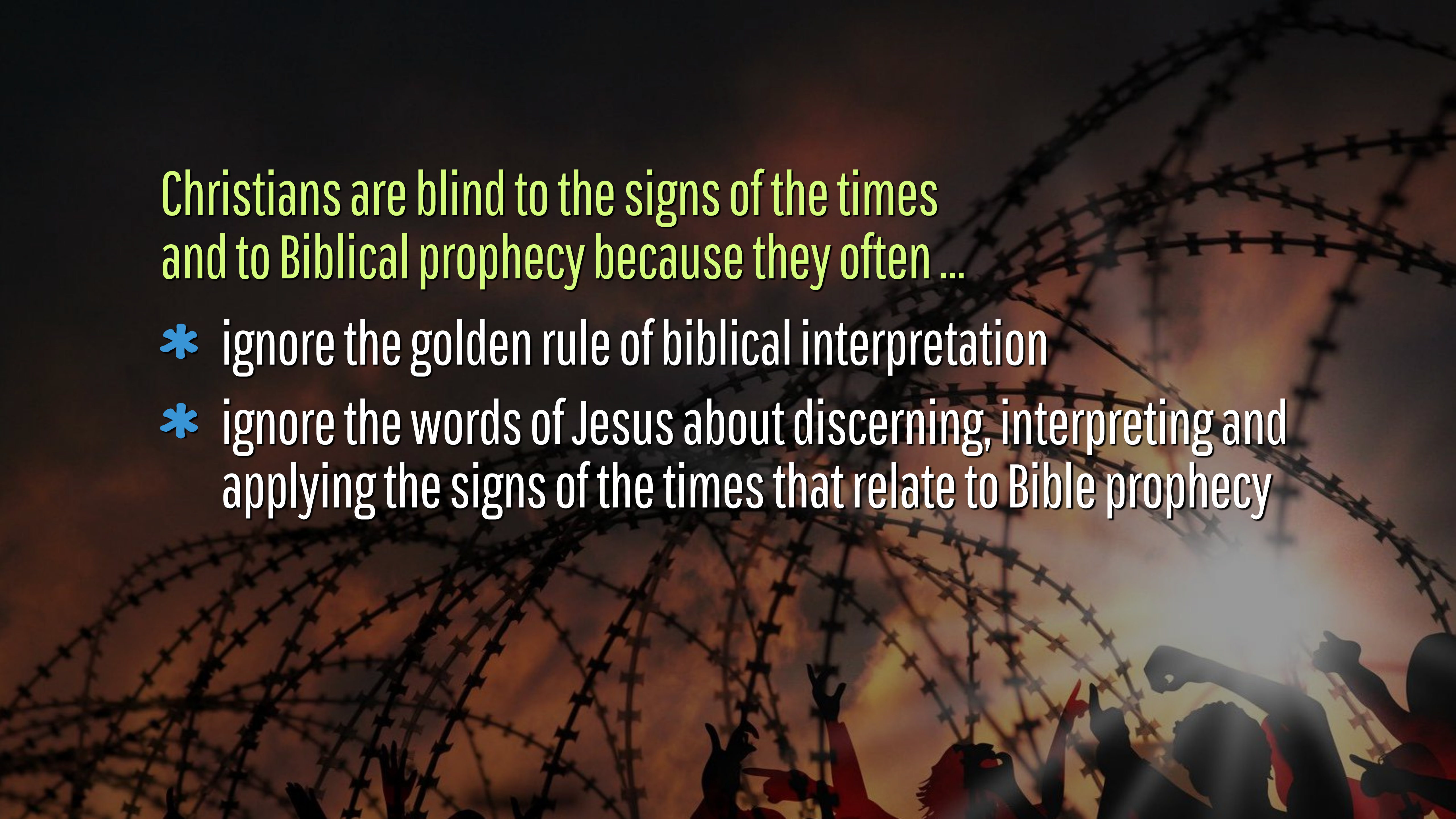
- 54.** He (Jesus) also said to the crowds of people, When you see a cloud rising in the west, at once you say, It is going to rain! And so it does.
- 55.** And when [you see that] a south wind is blowing, you say, There will be severe heat!
- 56.** You playactors (hypocrites)! You know how [intelligently] to discern and interpret and prove the looks of the earth and sky; but how is it that you do not know how to discern and interpret and apply the proof to this present time?

Matthew 11:25

I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and understanding but You have revealed them to little children.

(to the untaught & the unskilled)



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John 14:16–17

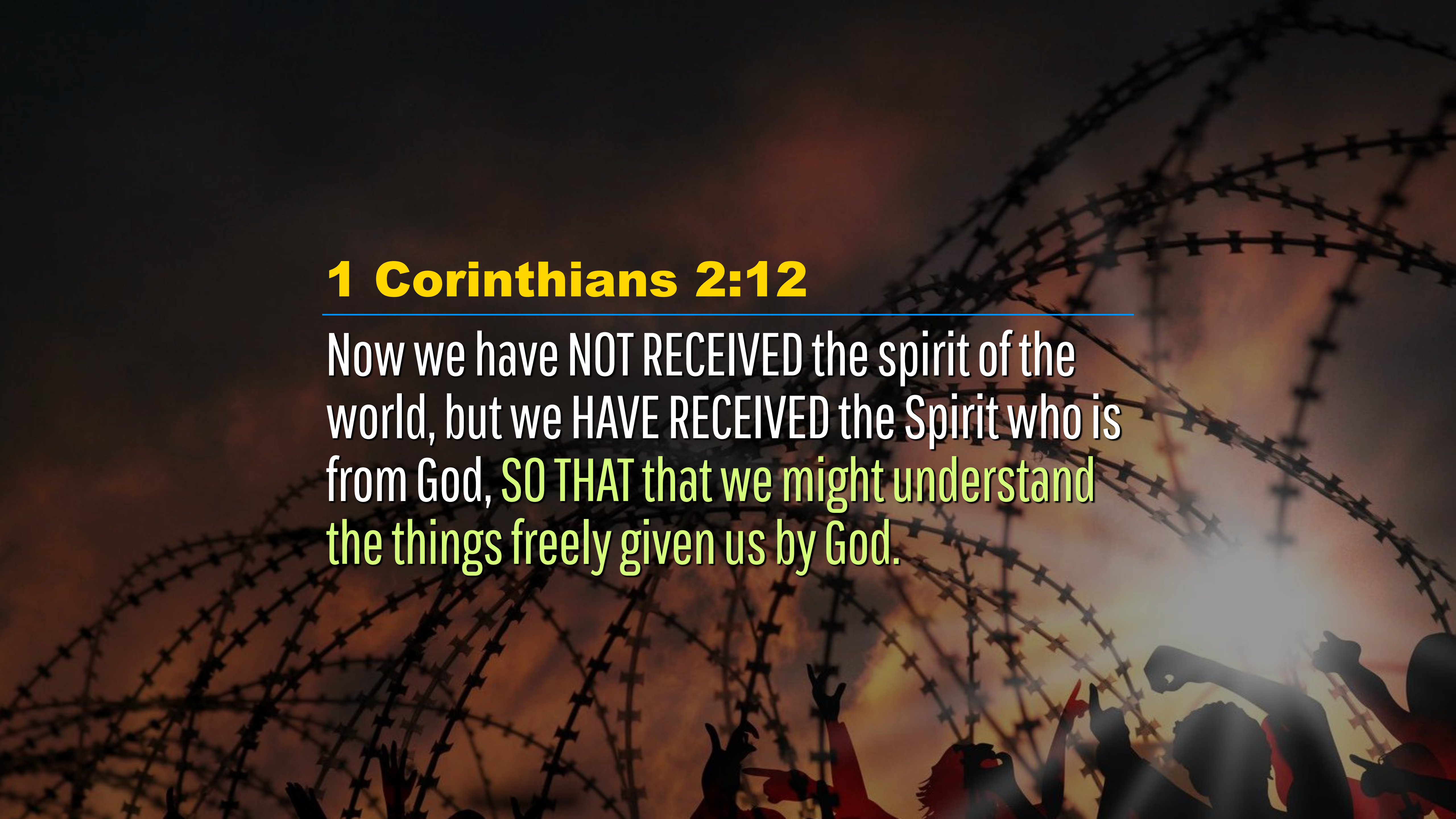
16. And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, to be with you forever,
17. even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him. You know Him, for **He dwells with you and will be in you.**

John 16:12-14 (Amplified Bible)

12. I have still many things to say to you, but you are not able to bear them or to take them upon you or to grasp them now.
13. But when He, the Spirit of Truth comes, **He will guide you into all the Truth (the whole, full Truth)**. For He will not speak His own message [on His own authority]; but He will tell whatever He hears [from the Father; He will give the message that has been given to Him], and **He will announce and declare to you the things that are to come [things that will happen in the future]**.
14. He will honour and glorify Me, because He will take of what is Mine and will reveal (declare, disclose, transmit) it to you.

1 Corinthians 2:12

Now we have NOT RECEIVED the spirit of the world, but we HAVE RECEIVED the Spirit who is from God, SO THAT that we might understand the things freely given us by God.

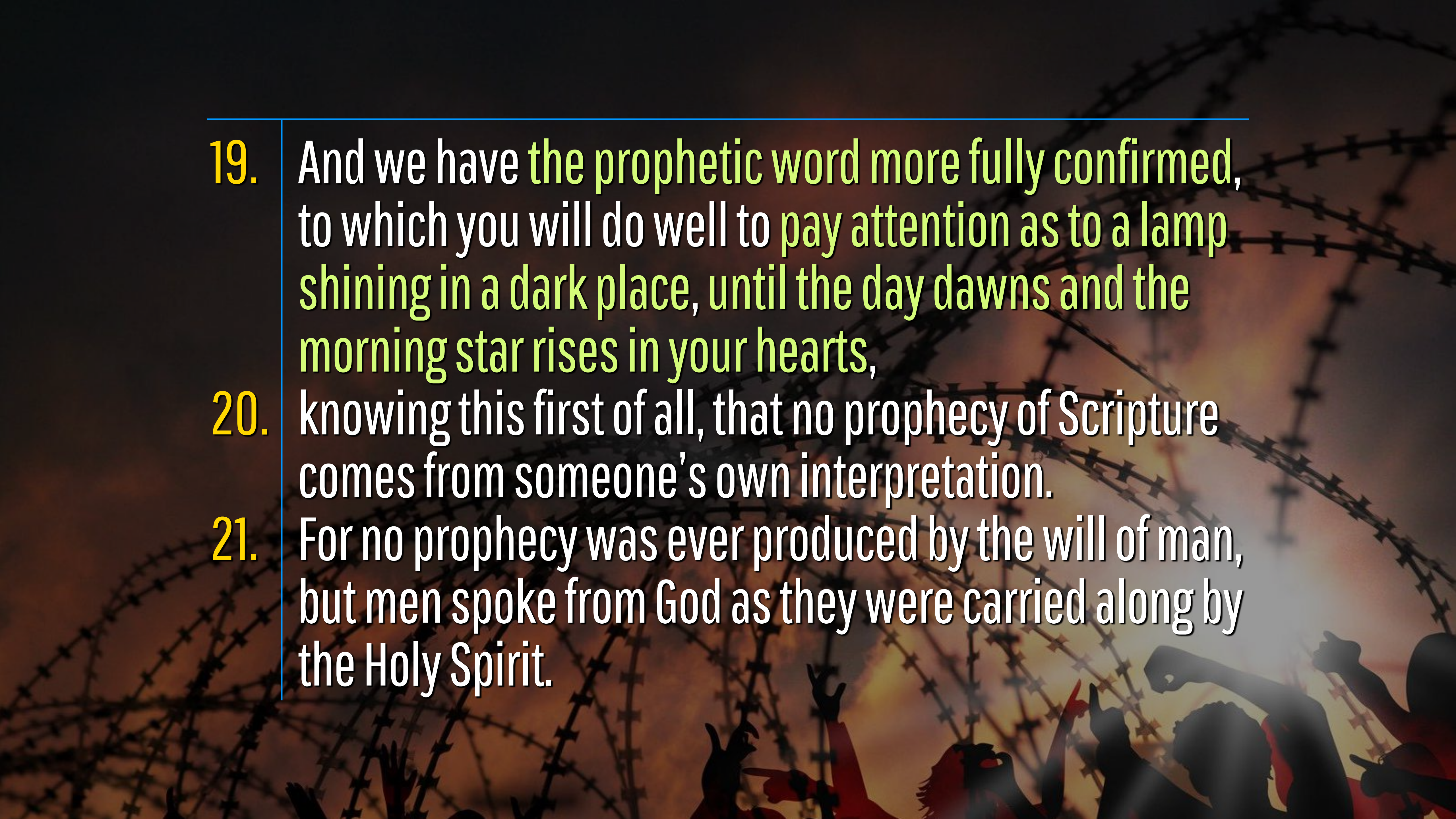


2 Timothy 3:16-17

16. All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness,
17. SO THAT the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

2 Peter 1:16-21

16. For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of His majesty.
17. For when He received honour and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to Him by the Majestic Glory, "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,"
18. **we ourselves heard** this very voice borne from heaven, **for we were with Him on the holy mountain.**

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19. And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts,
20. knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation.
21. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

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Revelation 19:10

For the testimony of (about) Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

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John 15:26

But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, **He will bear witness about Me.**

1 Peter 3:13–15

13. Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good?
14. But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled,
15. but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being **prepared to make a defense** to anyone who asks you for **a reason for the hope that is in you.**

Titus 2:13

... looking for the blessed hope,
the appearing of the glory of our
great God and Saviour, Christ Jesus.



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