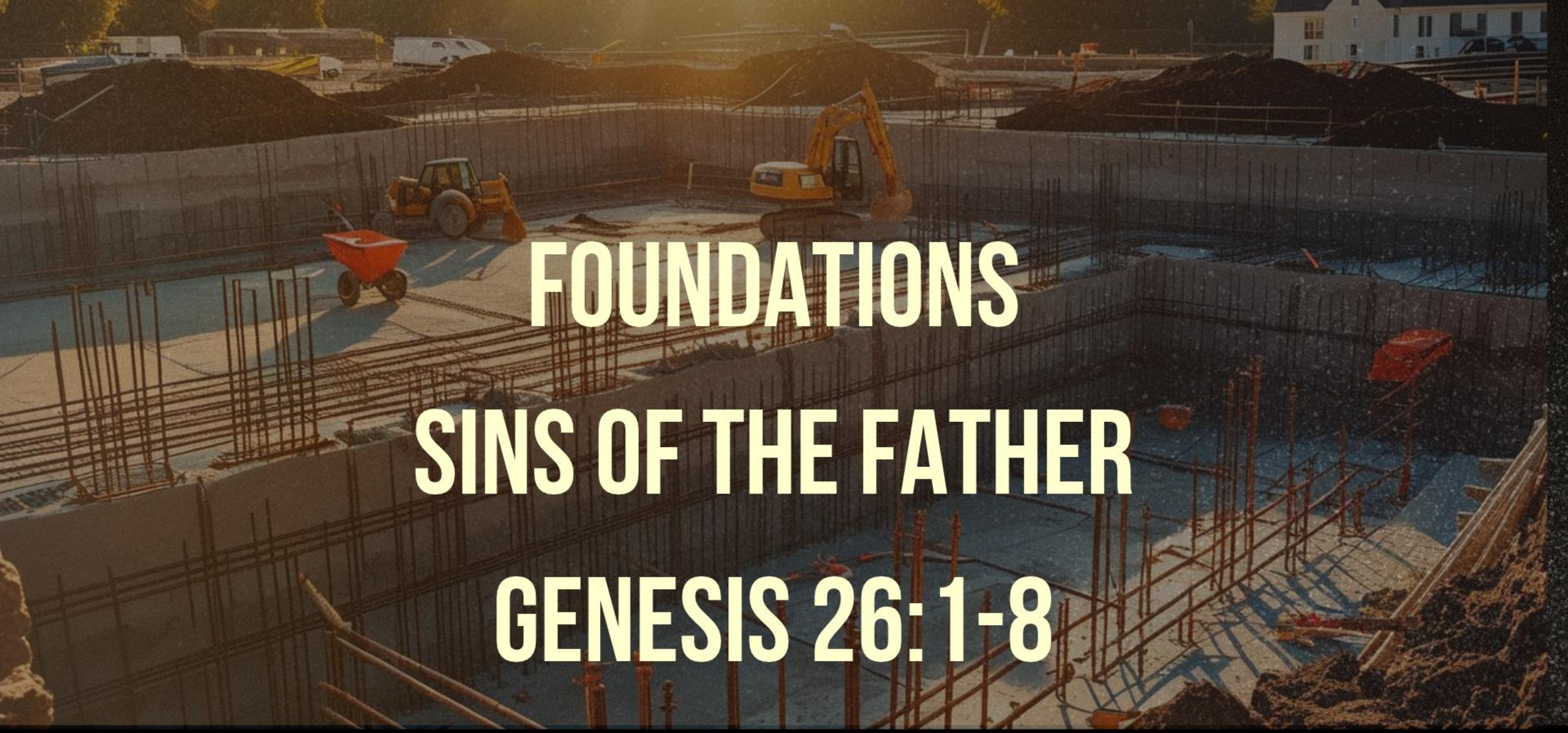
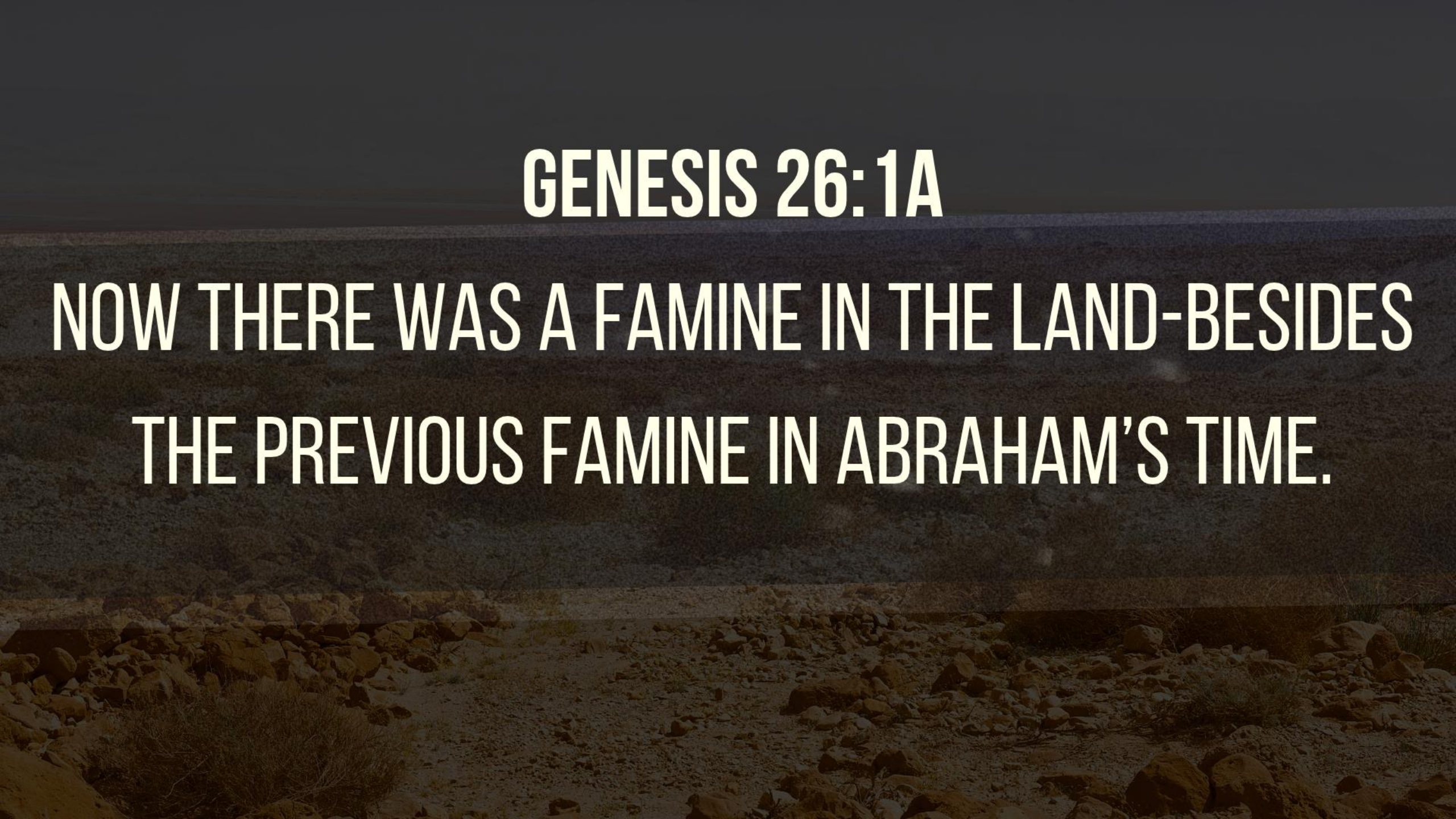
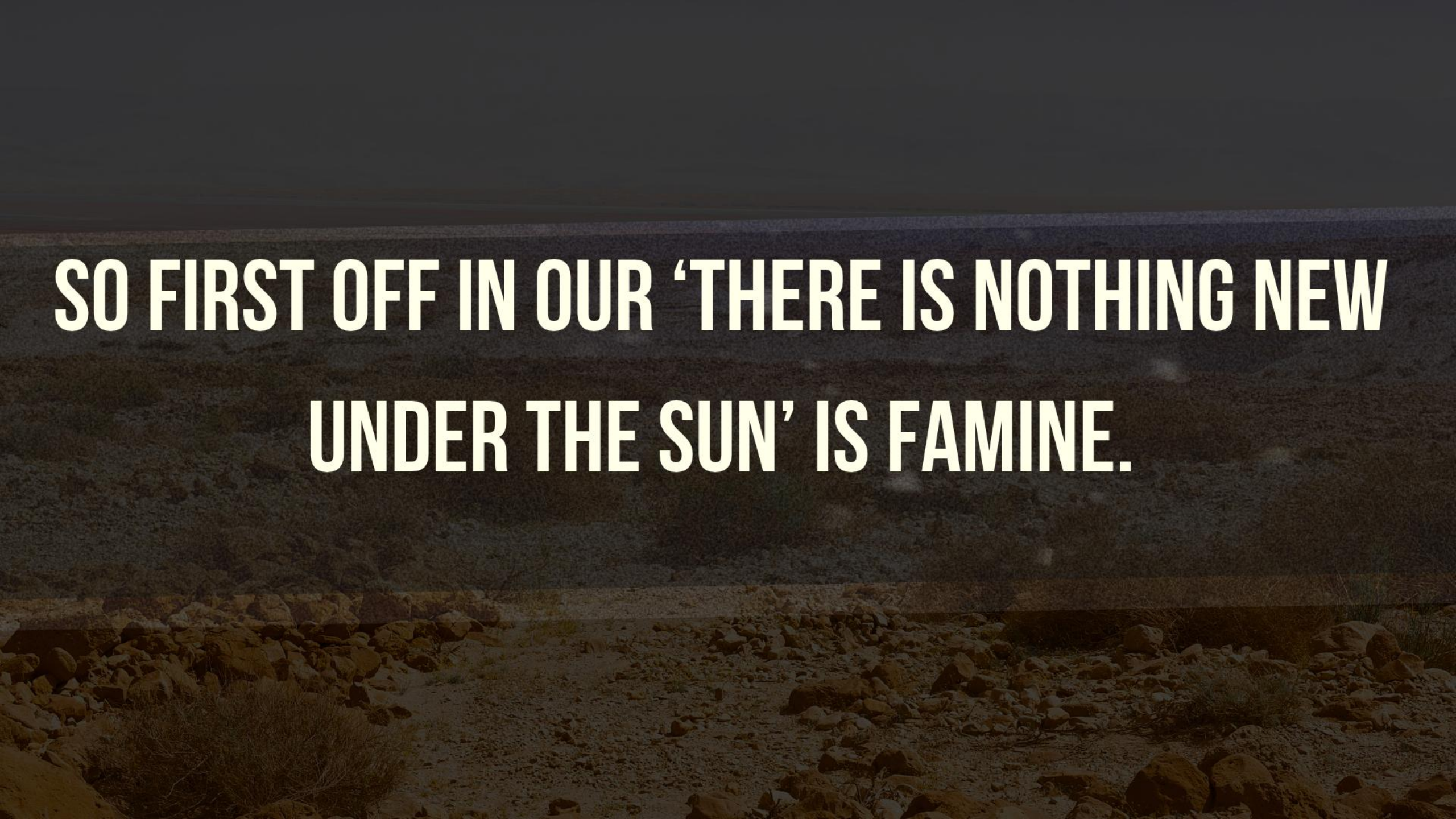


FOUNDATIONS
SINS OF THE FATHER
GENESIS 26:1-8

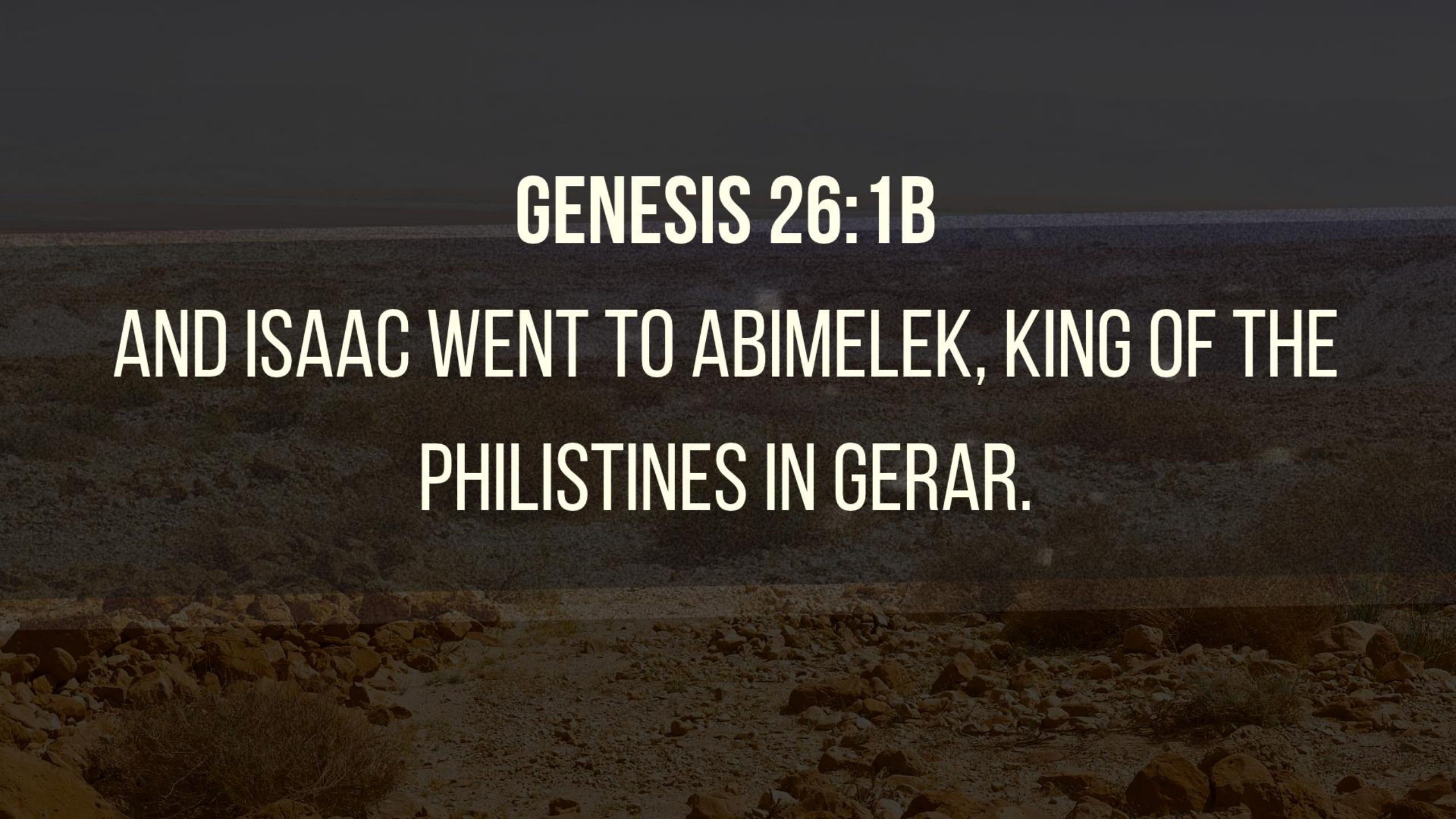
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1. FAMINE
GENESIS 26:1A


GENESIS 26:1A
NOW THERE WAS A FAMINE IN THE LAND-BESIDES
THE PREVIOUS FAMINE IN ABRAHAM'S TIME.


SO FIRST OFF IN OUR ‘THERE IS NOTHING NEW
UNDER THE SUN’ IS FAMINE.


2. MIGRATION
GENESIS 26:1B


GENESIS 26:1B
AND ISAAC WENT TO ABIMELEK, KING OF THE PHILISTINES IN GERAR.

Genesis 26: 2-6

The Lord appeared to Isaac and said, “Do not go down to Egypt; live in the land where I tell you to live. 3 Stay in this land for a while, and I will be with you and will bless you. For to you and your descendants I will give all these lands and will confirm the oath I swore to your father Abraham. 4 I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and will give them all these lands, and through your offspring [a] all nations on earth will be blessed, [b] 5 because Abraham obeyed me and did everything I required of him, keeping my commands, my decrees and my instructions.” 6 So Isaac stayed in Gerar.

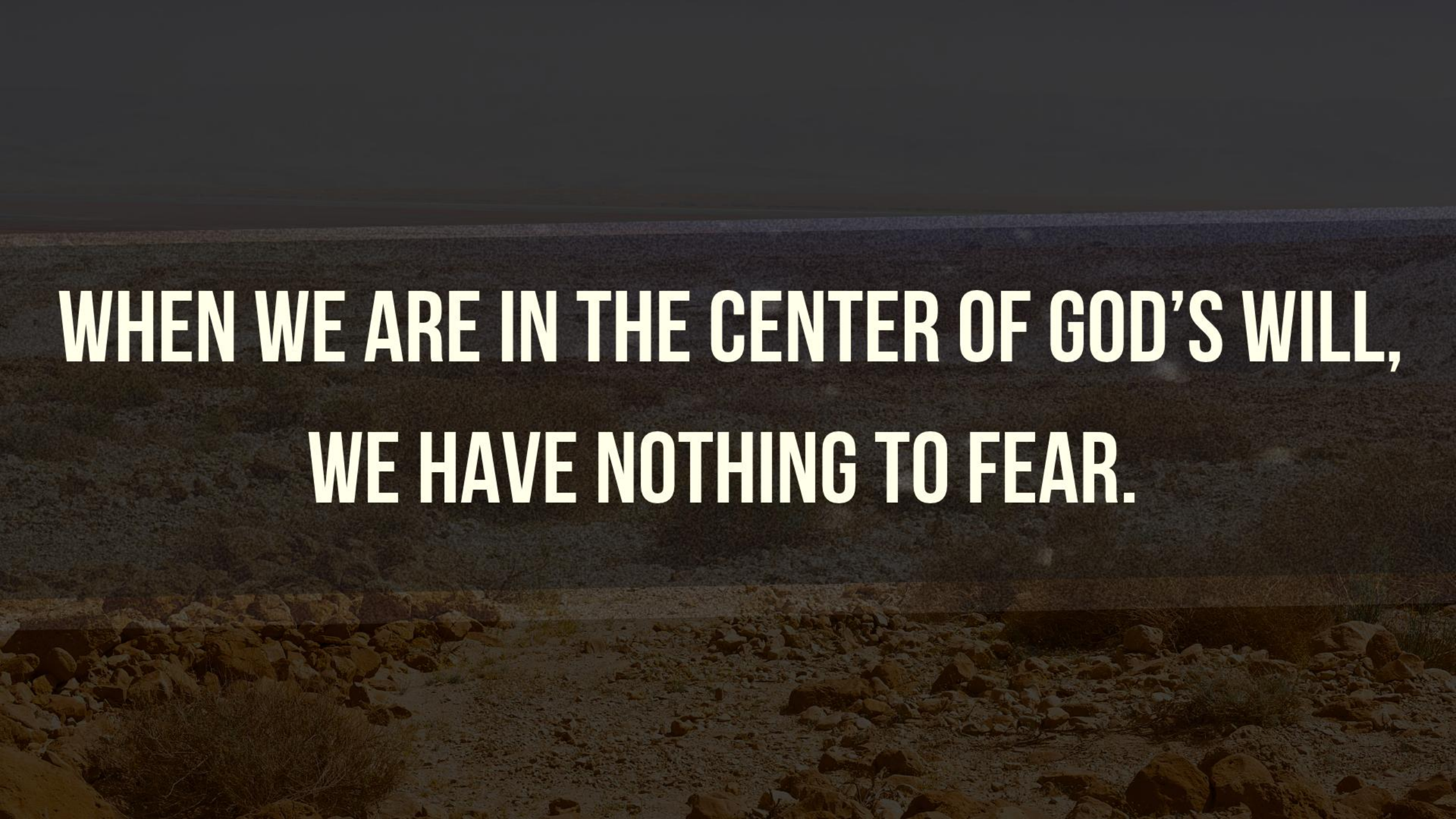

WE NEED TO DO AS ISAAC DID AND STAY WHEN
GOD SAYS STAY.

3. ASSIMILATION

GENESIS 26:7

GENESIS 26:7

WHEN THE MEN OF THAT PLACE ASKED HIM ABOUT HIS WIFE, HE SAID, “SHE IS MY SISTER,” BECAUSE HE WAS AFRAID TO SAY, “SHE IS MY WIFE.” HE THOUGHT, “THE MEN OF THIS PLACE MIGHT KILL ME ON ACCOUNT OF REBEKAH, BECAUSE SHE IS BEAUTIFUL.”


WHEN WE ARE IN THE CENTER OF GOD'S WILL,
WE HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR.

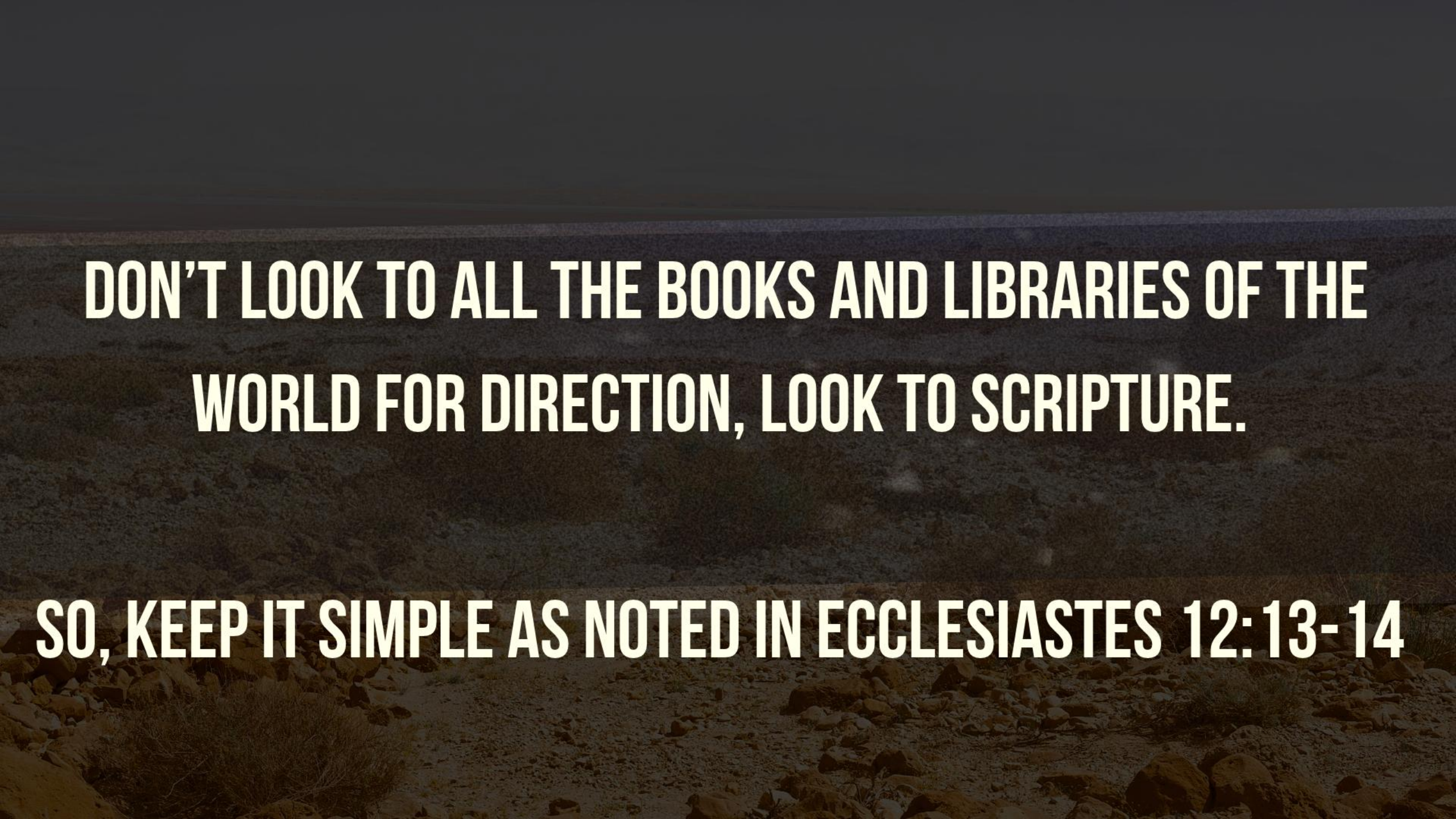
4. AFFIRMATION

GENESIS 26:8

GENESIS 26:8A

WHEN ISAAC HAD BEEN THERE A LONG TIME,...


WE MUST NOT LET OUR IMAGINATION LEAD US TO FEAR. WE MUST PRACTICE TRUSTING IN GOD.


DON'T LOOK TO ALL THE BOOKS AND LIBRARIES OF THE WORLD FOR DIRECTION, LOOK TO SCRIPTURE.
SO, KEEP IT SIMPLE AS NOTED IN ECCLESIASTES 12:13-14

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14: [13] Now all has been heard;
here is the conclusion of the matter:
fear God and keep his commandments,
for this is the duty of all mankind.
[14] For God will bring every deed into judgment,
including every hidden thing,
whether it is good or evil.