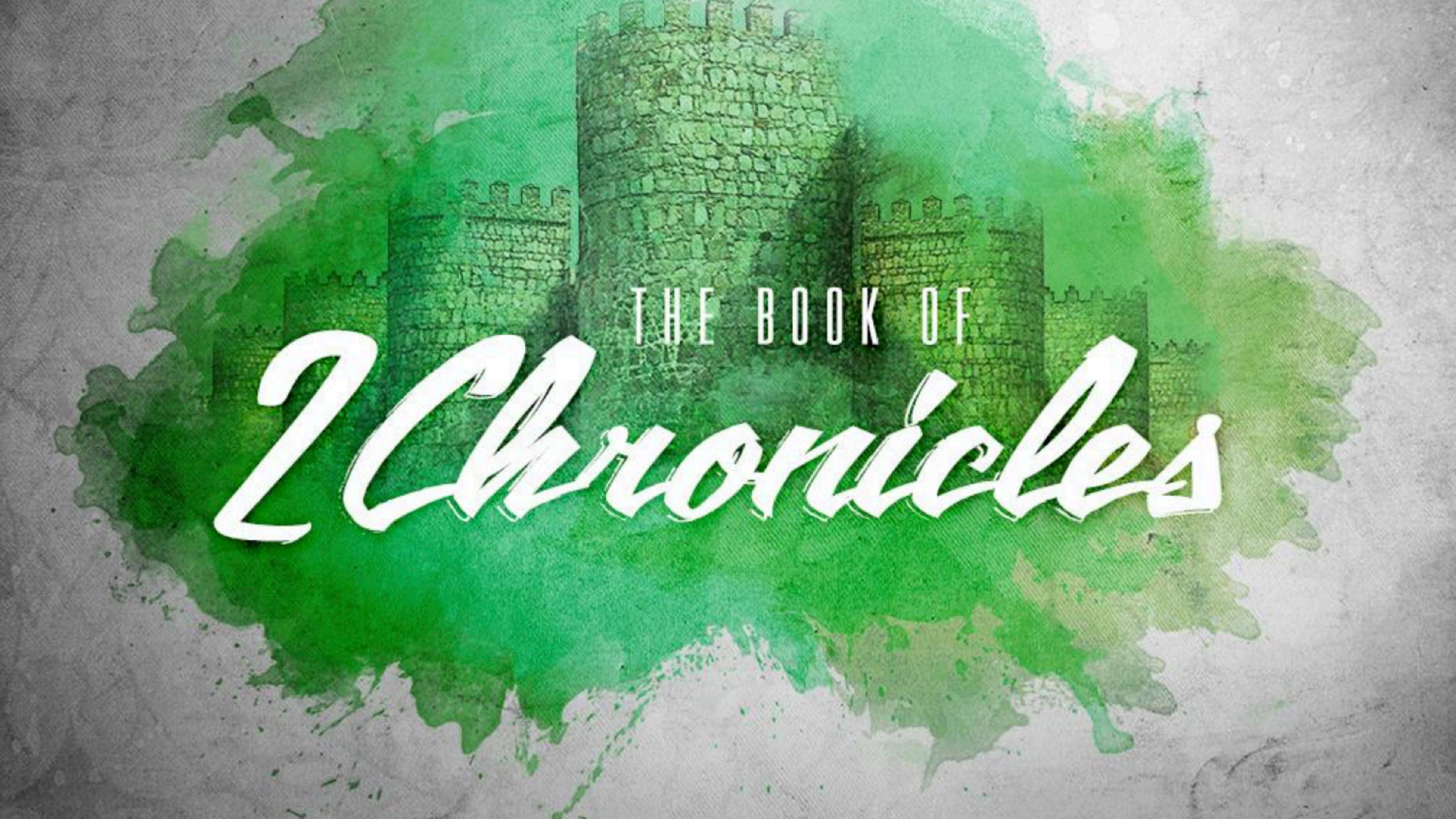
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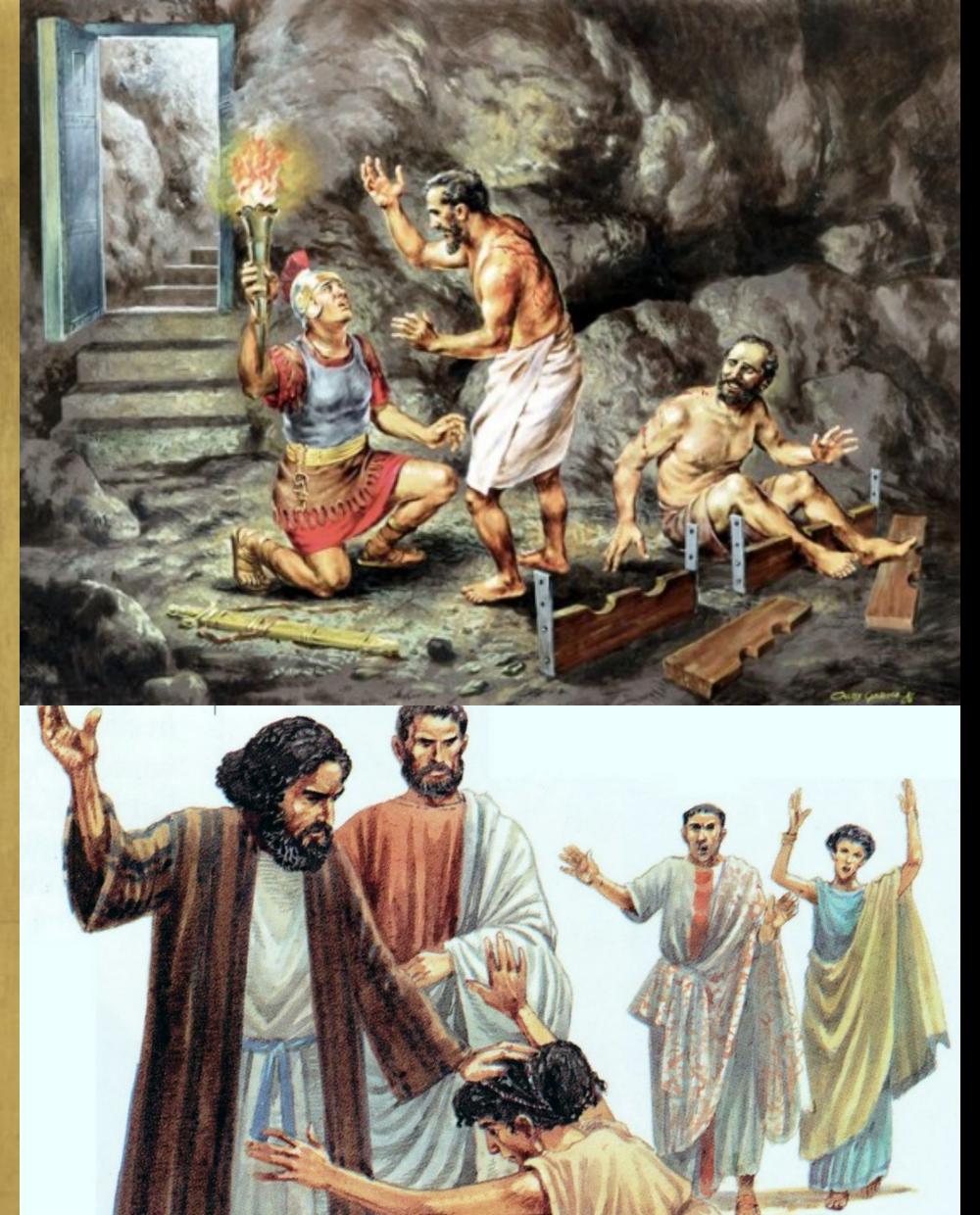
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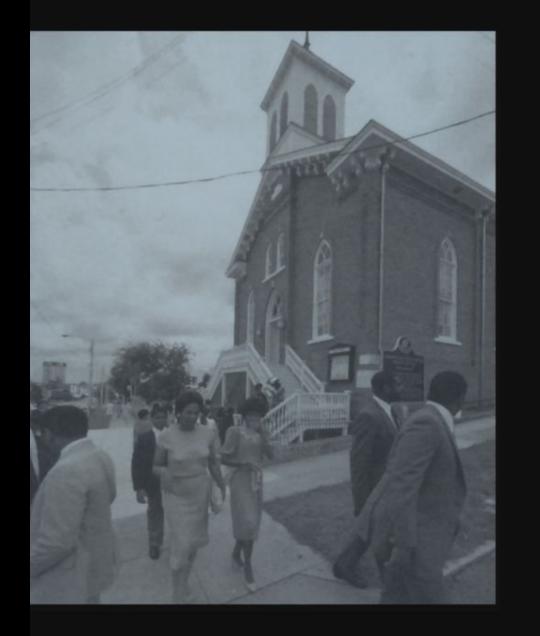
This is more or less exactly what Paul believes about Jesus. He is the new king; most people don't yet realize it; but those who do must hold their nerve and remain loyal to him, because one day the whole world will acknowledge him as Lord. And that very loyalty itself, that holding of their nerve, will themselves be the sign that the message they are proclaiming is true.

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### <u>HOMOPHILY</u>

THE TENDENCY FOR PEOPLE TO SEEK OUT OR BE ATTRACTED TO THOSE WHO ARE SIMILAR TO THEMSELVES.

For Christ himself has brought peace to us. He united Jews and Gentiles into one people when, in his own body on the cross, he broke down the wall of hostility that separated us. He did this by ending the system of law with its commandments and regulations. He made peace between Jews and Gentiles by creating in himself one new people from the two groups. Together as one body, Christ reconciled both groups to God by means of his death on the cross, and our hostility toward each other was put to death.

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### WHAT'S NEXT?

