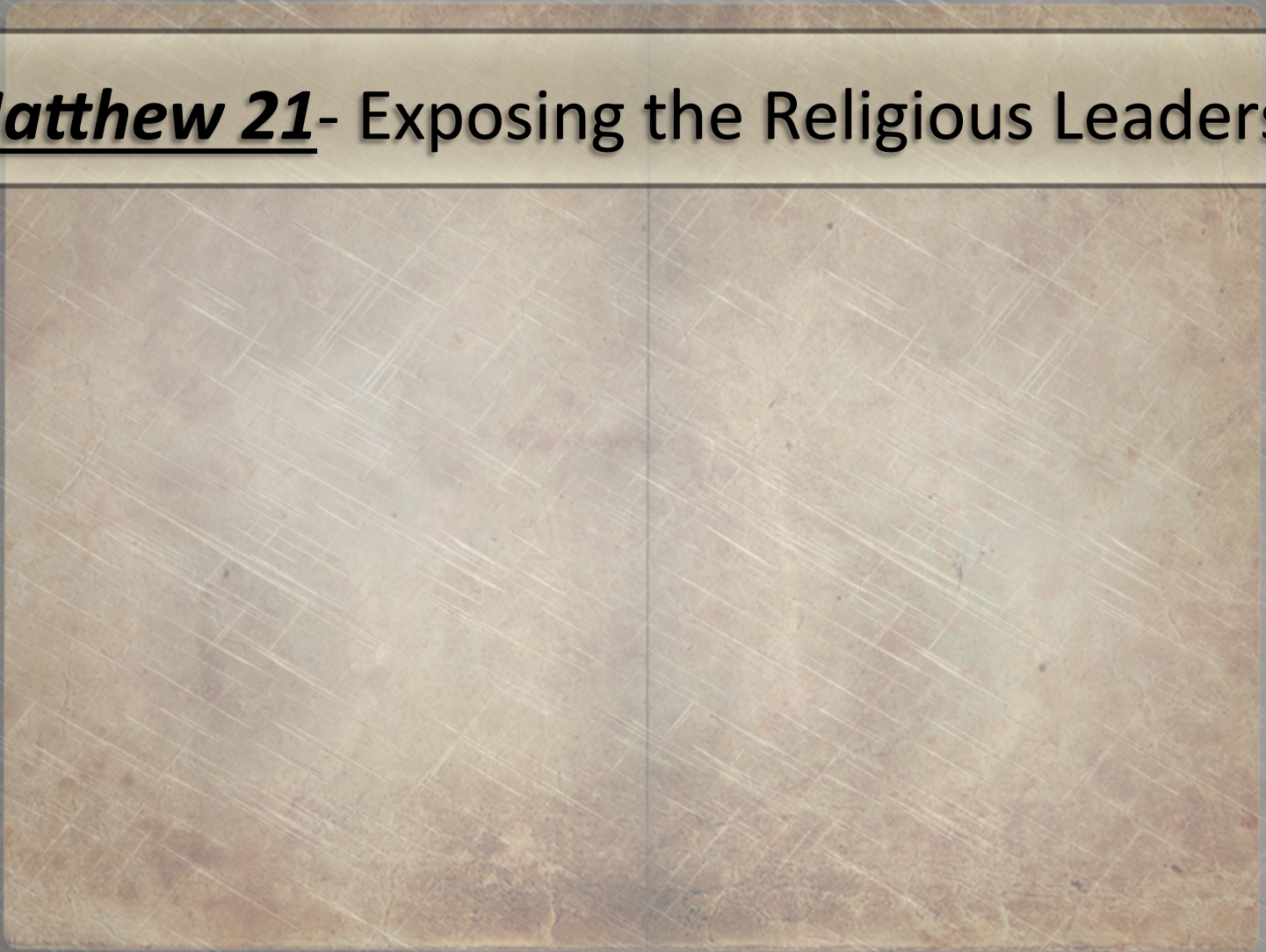


That's a Nice Little Story

Good
Friday



Matthew 21- Exposing the Religious Leaders



Matthew 21- Triumphal Entry of Palm Sunday

- 9 And the crowds that went before Him and that followed Him were shouting,
“Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!”
- 10 And when He entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?”
- 11 And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

Matthew 21- Jesus cleanses the Temple

13 He said to them,

“It is written, My house shall be called a house of prayer, but you make it a den of robbers.” (Isaiah 56:7)

14 *(heals the lame and the blind)*

15 But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that He did, and the children crying out in the temple,

“Hosanna to the Son of David!”

they were indignant.

Matthew 21- Jesus curses the fig tree

...it 'proclaimed' to be authentic
on the outside with it's leaves but
failed to produce figs....

It failed to live out the true fruit
of the Spirit of God.

Matthew 21- Parable of the two sons

...one who claimed to obey and did not, the other claimed he would not obey but ultimately did....

actions that actually revealed their true hearts.

Matthew 21- Parable of the tenants

...those who had been given the
privilege of living in the kingdom
but ultimately abused that
privilege.....

that privilege would be taken
away and given to those who
would be faithful stewards.

Matthew 21: 45-46

45 When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard His parables, they perceived that He was speaking about them.

46 And although they were seeking to arrest Him, they feared the crowds, because they held Him to be a prophet.

Matthew 22- Parable of the wedding feast

...depicting this glorious event
which was scorned by those whom
we would expect to be invited
and enjoyed by those who never
dreamed of being included but felt
honored to be invited.

Matthew 22- Paying taxes to Caesar

...deflecting the Pharisees efforts
to trap Jesus by simply telling them
to render what is appropriate to
whatever authority....
whether that be
the trinkets of Caesar
or the royalty of God.

Matthew 22- Sadducees and the Resurrection

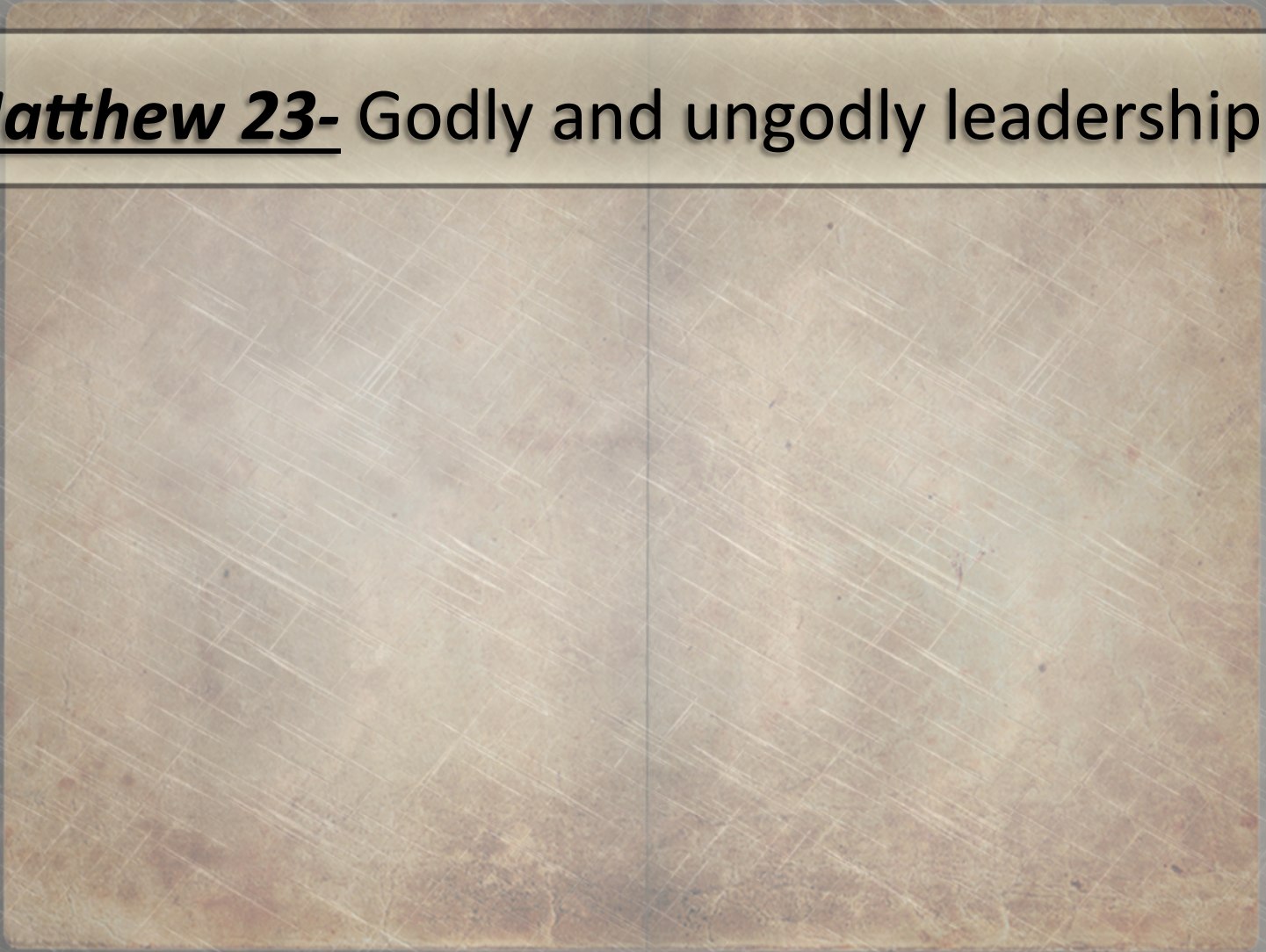
...Jesus debunks their twisted view of rejecting the eternal dimension of the human soul....

He affirms that there is no such thing as annihilation but that everyone will be resurrected, either to eternal life or eternal death.

Matthew 22- Affirming the Great Commandment

...to love the the Lord your God
with all your heart and
with all your soul and
with all your mind.....
to love your neighbor as yourself.

Matthew 23- Godly and ungodly leadership



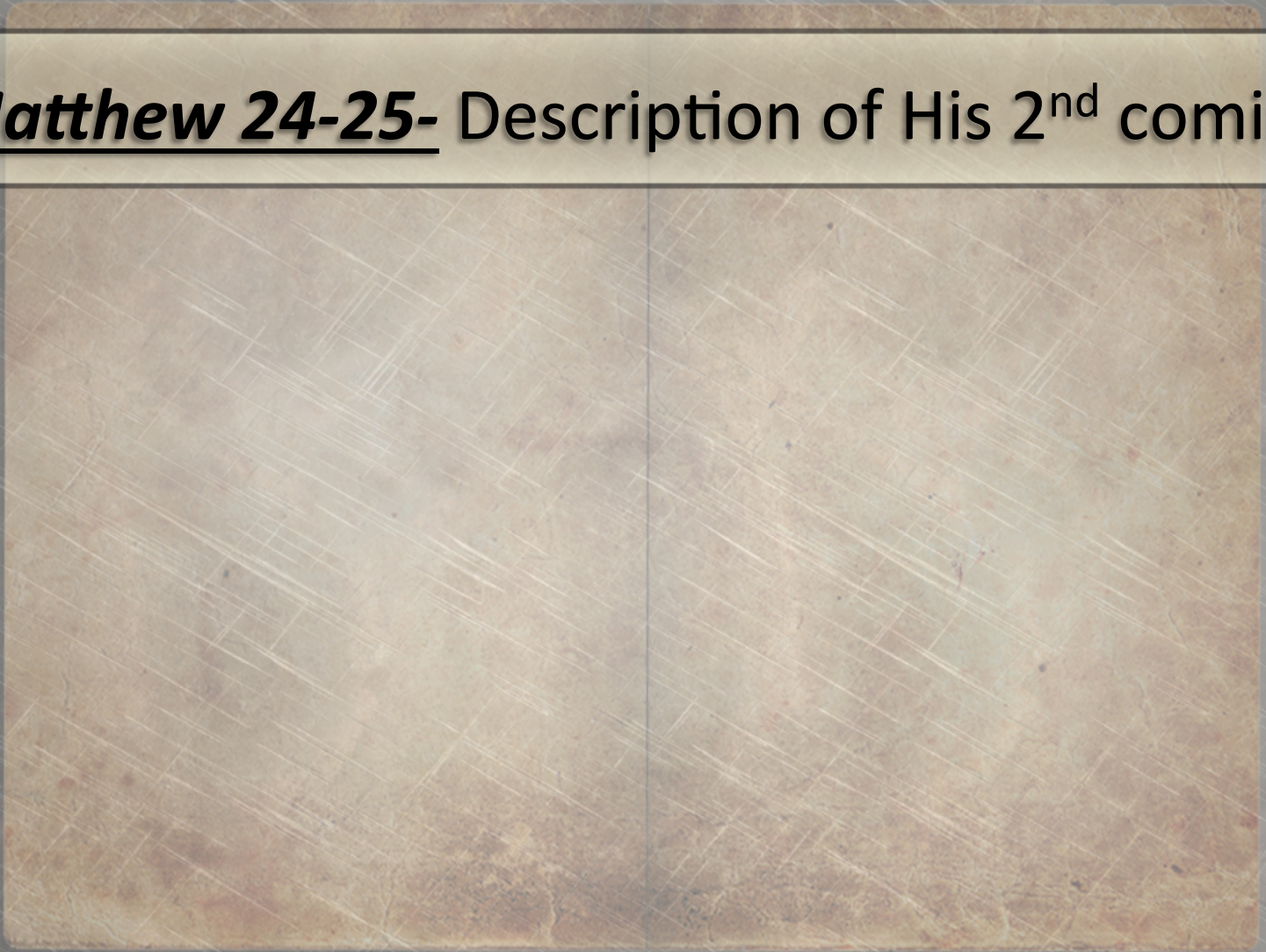
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37 “O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it. How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing.

38 See your house is left to you desolate.

39 For I tell you, you will not see me again, until you say, “***Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.***”

Matthew 24-25- Description of His 2nd coming



Matthew 26- Plot to kill Jesus

- 1 When Jesus had finished all these sayings, He said to His disciples,
- 2 *“You know that after two days the Passover is coming, and the Son of Man will be delivered up to be crucified.”*
- 3 Then the chief priests and the elders of the people gathered in the palace of the high priest, whose name was Caiaphas, and plotted together in order to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill Him.

Matthew 26- Anointed at Bethany

...the whole world would remember
this lady for her extravagant
worship by pouring expensive
ointment over Jesus head.

Matthew 26- Judas betrays Jesus

...the whole world would remember
this man's profound mistake for
30 slimy silver coins .

Matthew 26- Jesus last supper with the disciples

...Jesus said,
“I tell you I will not drink again of
this fruit of the vine until the day
when I drink it new with you in my
Father’s kingdom.”

Matthew 26- Peter's denial is forecast

...Jesus see's the vulnerability
of His closest friend,
and frankly the vulnerability
of each of us.

Matthew 26- Praying in the Garden

...Jesus see's the vulnerability
of human flesh that is unable
to even stay awake with Him
in His darkest hour.

Matthew 26- The arrest and the mockery of trials

...Jesus demonstrates
His strength in His humility
as He is afflicted
and humiliated.

Matthew 27- Barabbas is chosen over Jesus

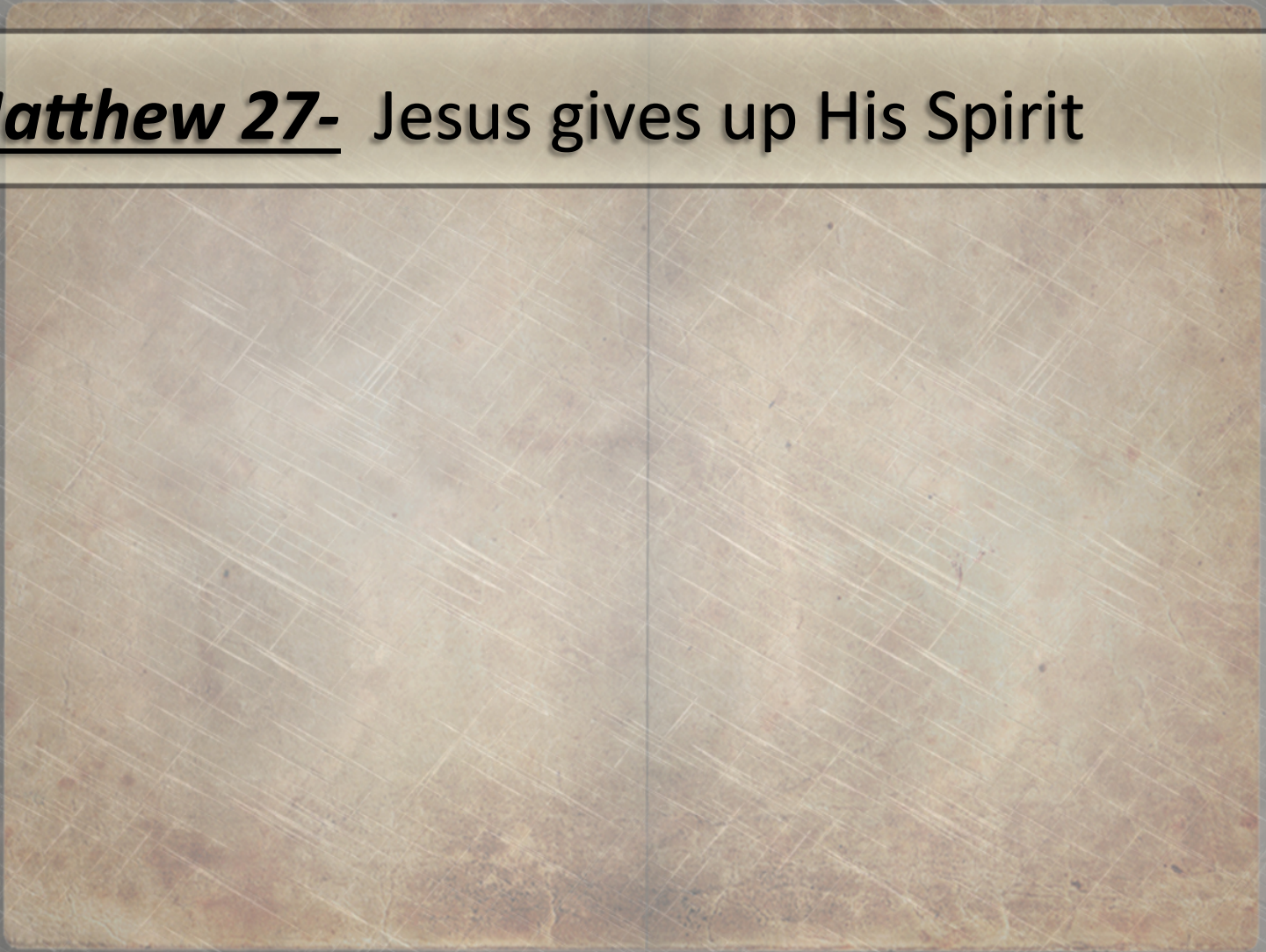
...the people choose a criminal and shout for Jesus to be executed.

Matthew 27- Jesus is hung naked on a cross

...Jesus said,
“Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani!”
*My God, my God, why have you
forsaken me?*

“Tetelestai”...it is finished!

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