


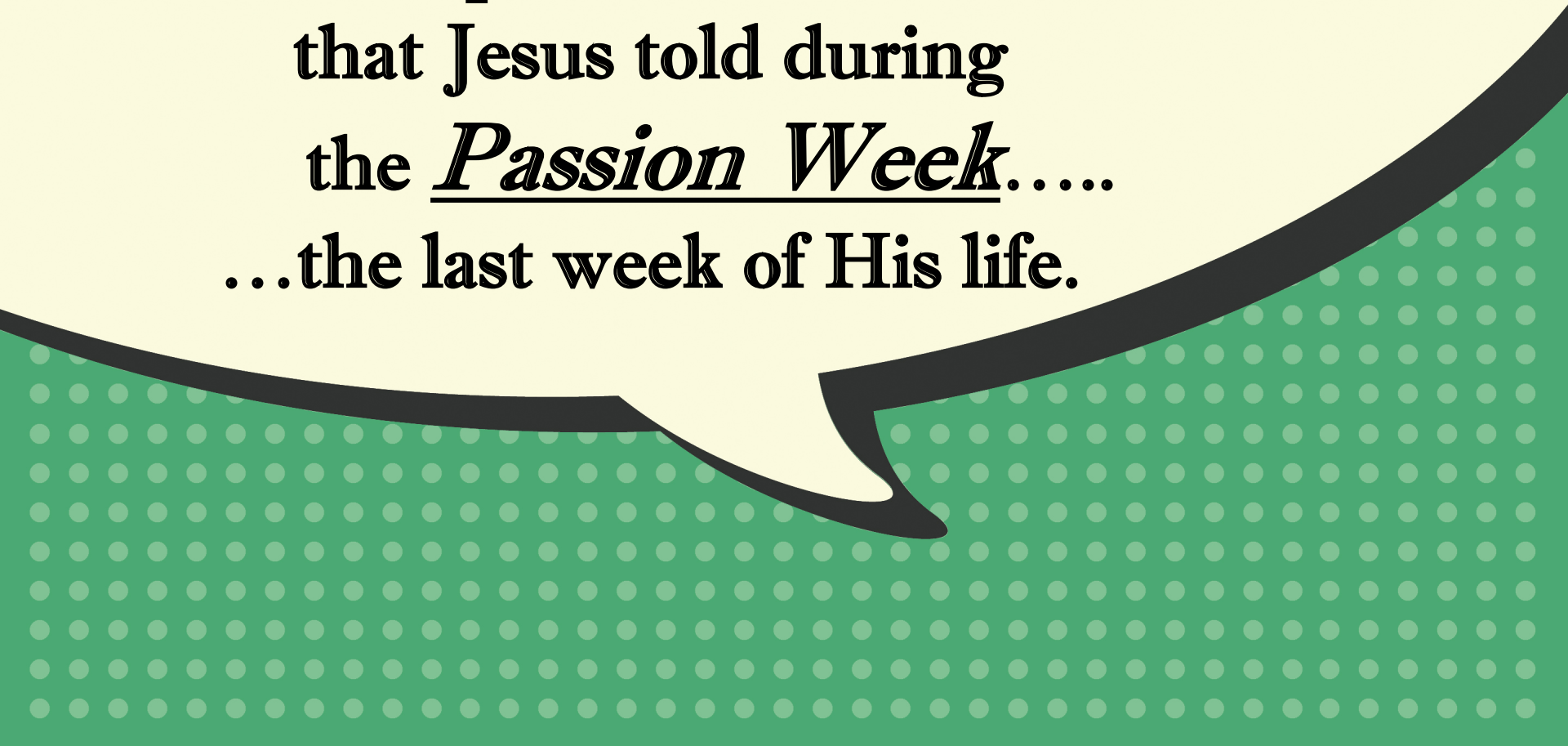
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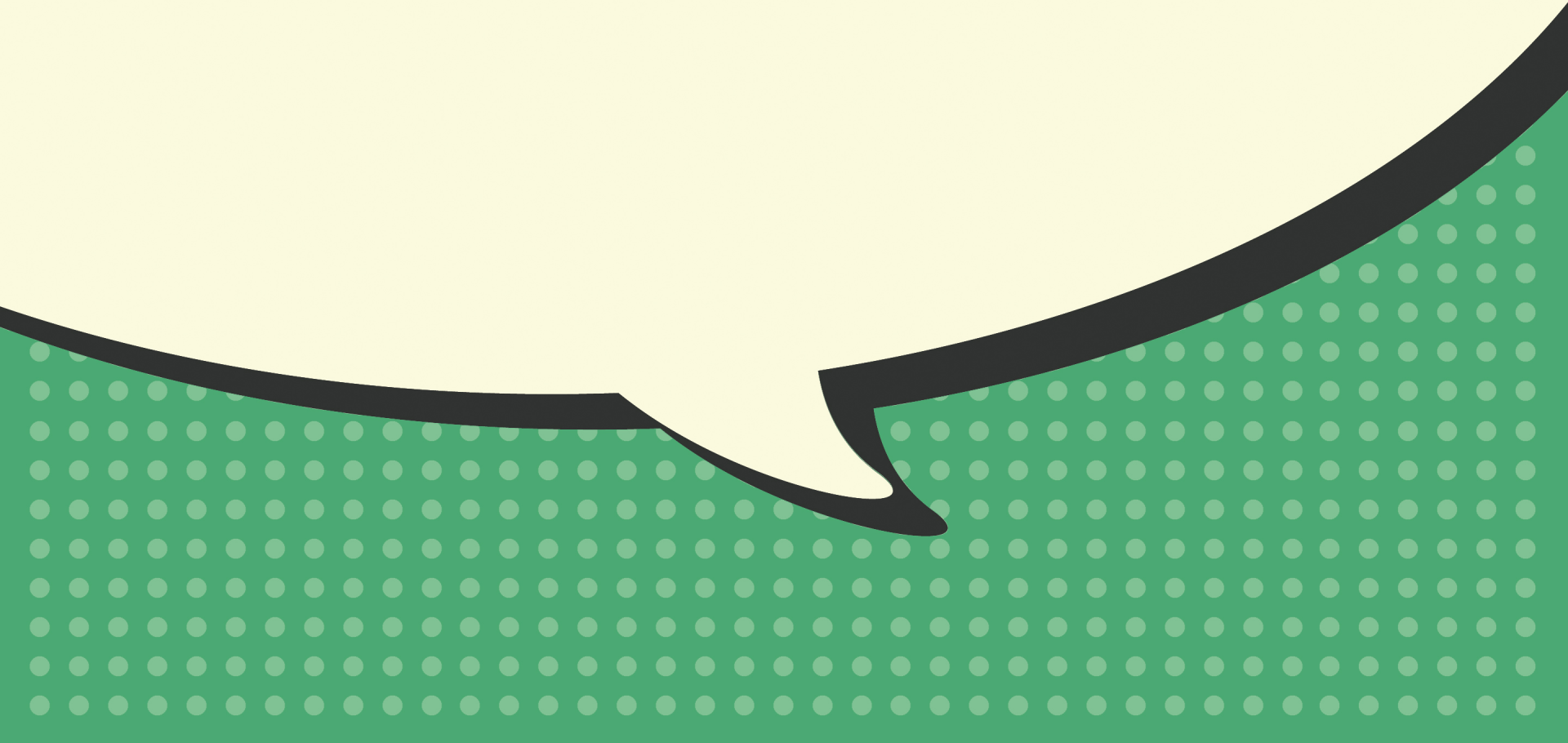
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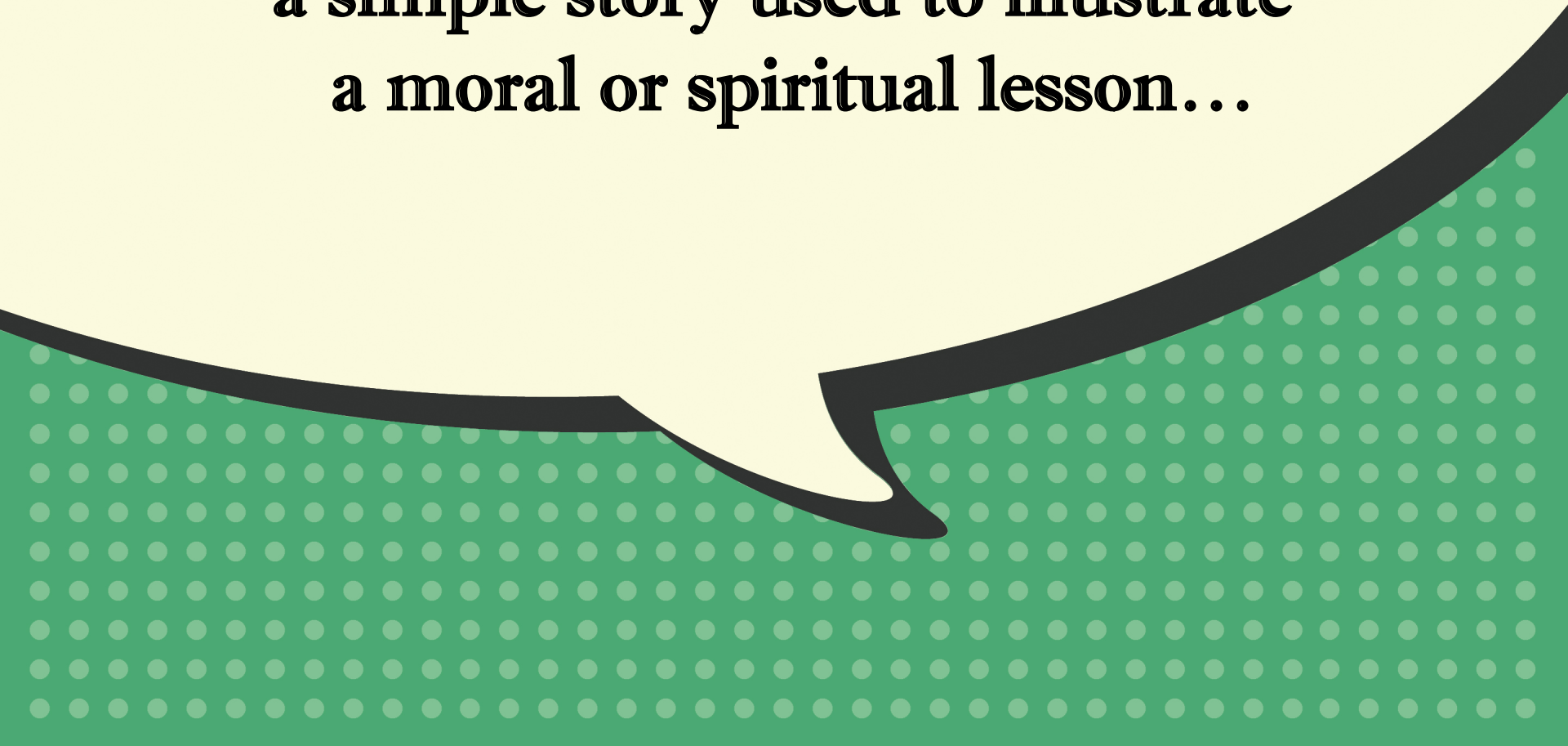


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**...used by Jesus to exact the
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and with His kingdom.**

MATTHEW

21:18-22

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Is your claim as “Christian”



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...or genuine?



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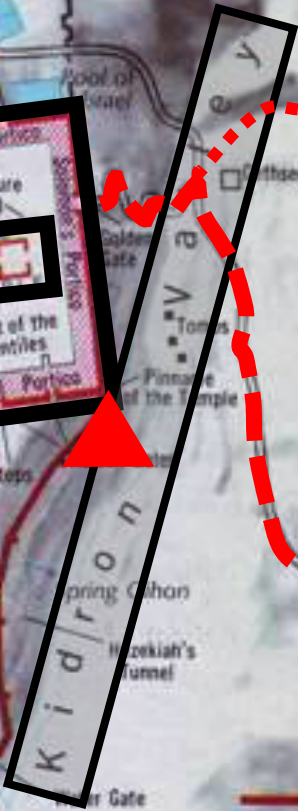
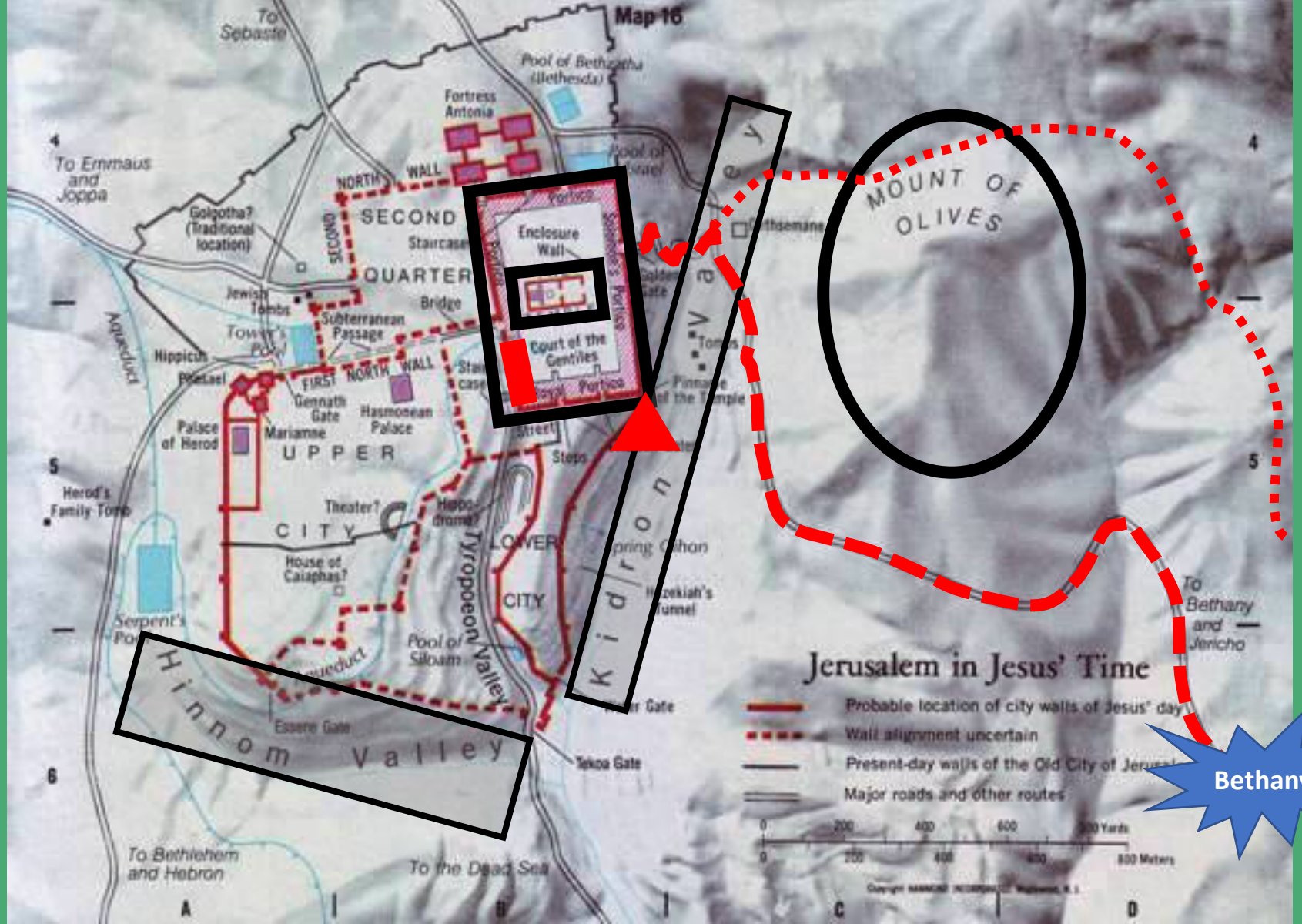
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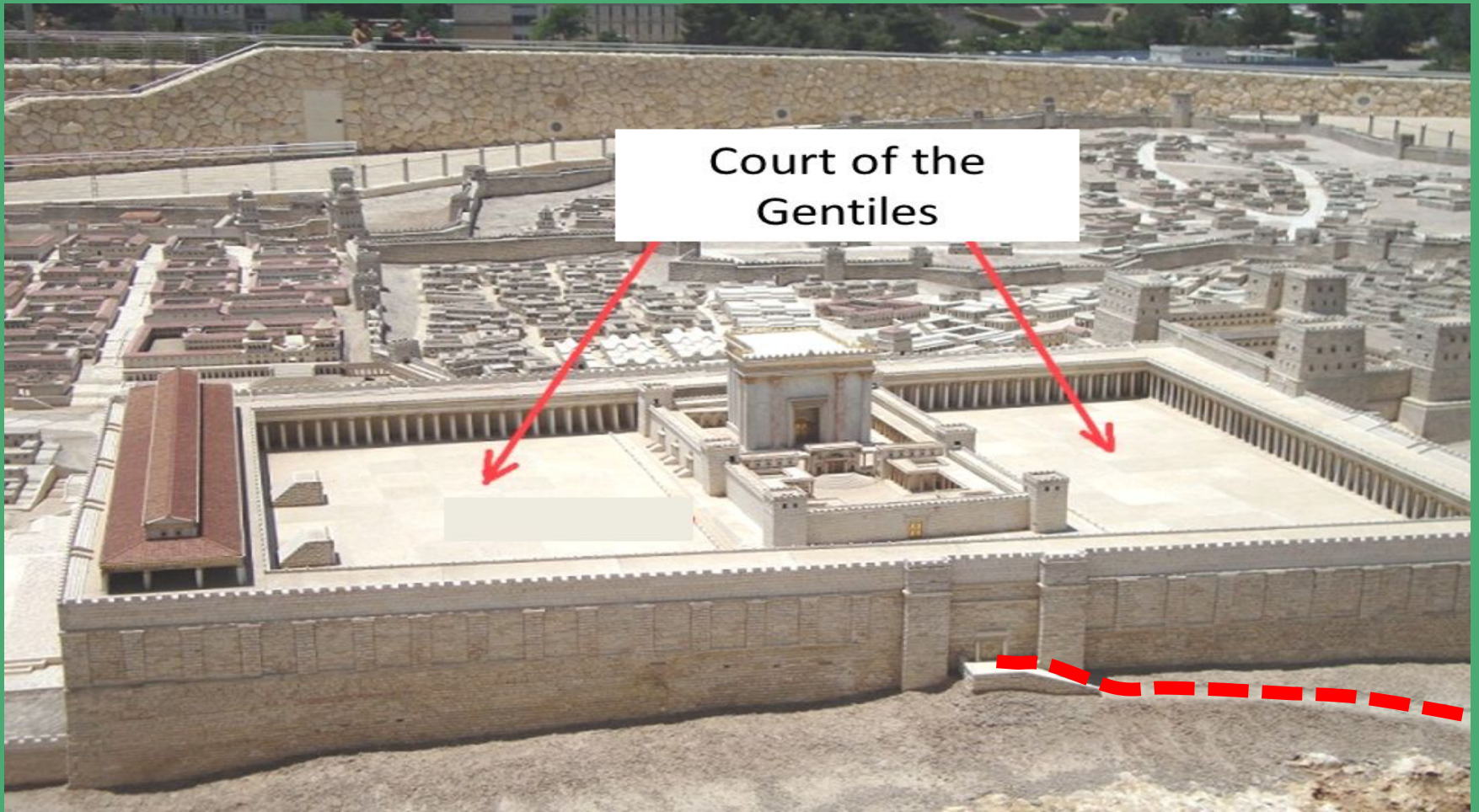
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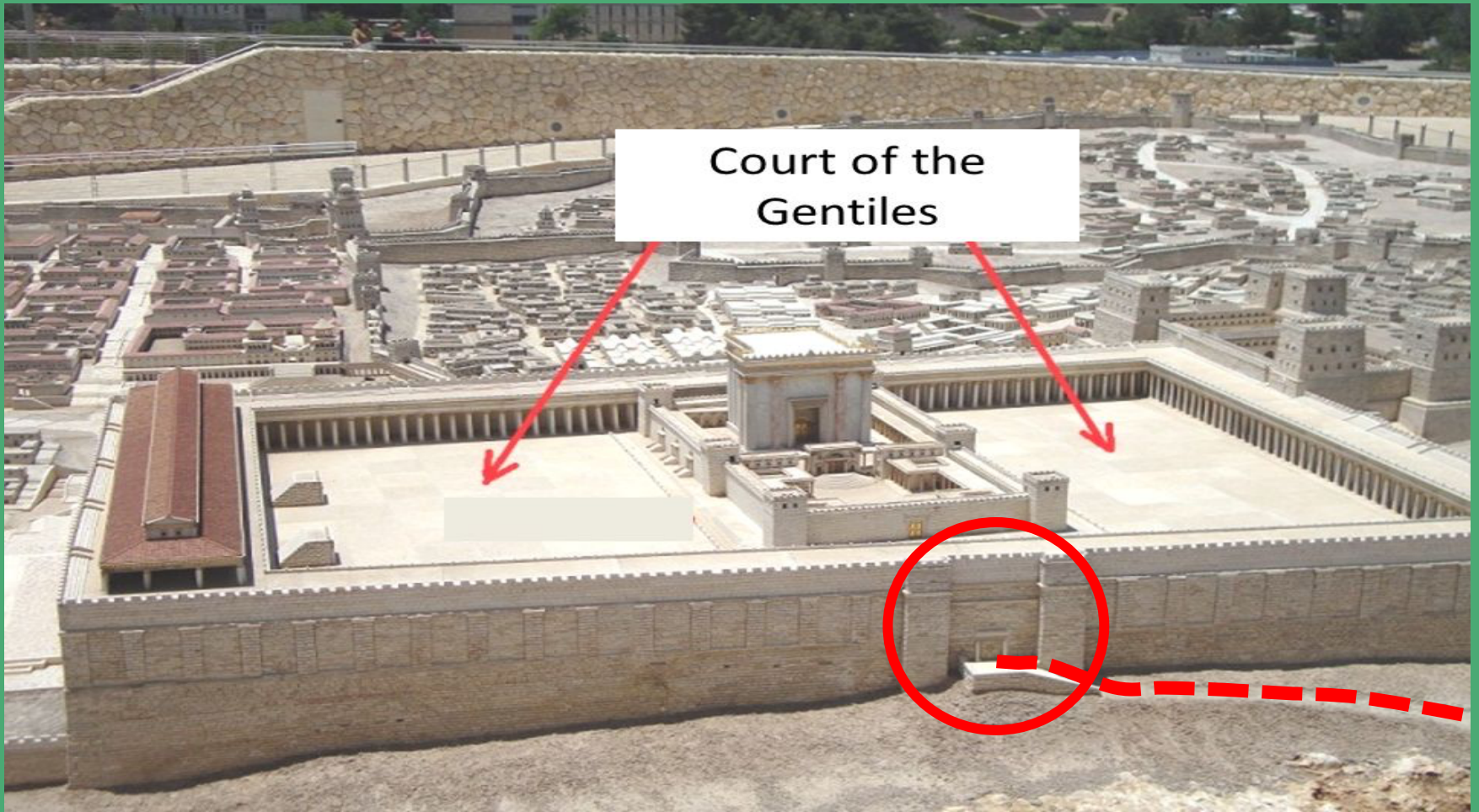
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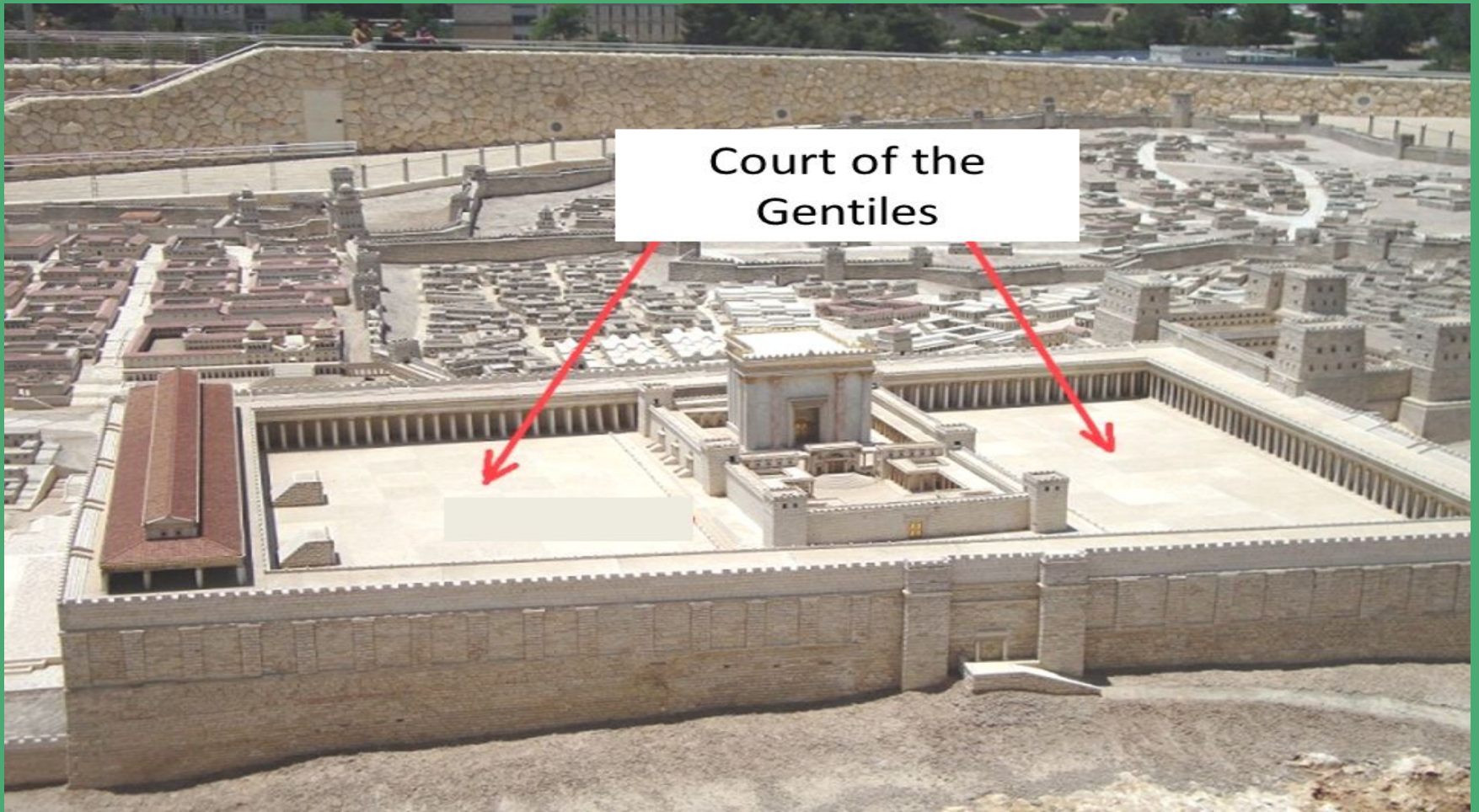
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25 *The baptism of John, from where did it come?
From heaven or from man?"*

**And they discussed it among themselves, saying,
"If we say, 'From heaven', He will say to us,
'why then did you not believe him?'**

26 *But if we say, 'From man',
we are afraid of the crowd,
for they all hold that John was a prophet.*

MATTHEW

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27 So they answered Jesus,

“We do not know.”

And He said to them,

“Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.”

MATTHEW

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- 31 Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you.*
- 32 For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterward change your minds and believe him.*

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.....Or.....

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**Do you have your behavior all buttoned up
and straightened out, and you think you
can do this on your own?**

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However, if you believe you can treat God with contempt then your actions will remain the same.

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.....Or.....

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**Is your contempt dishonest and
committed to self-righteousness
and a hardened heart?**

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Transgressions:

Iniquities:

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