


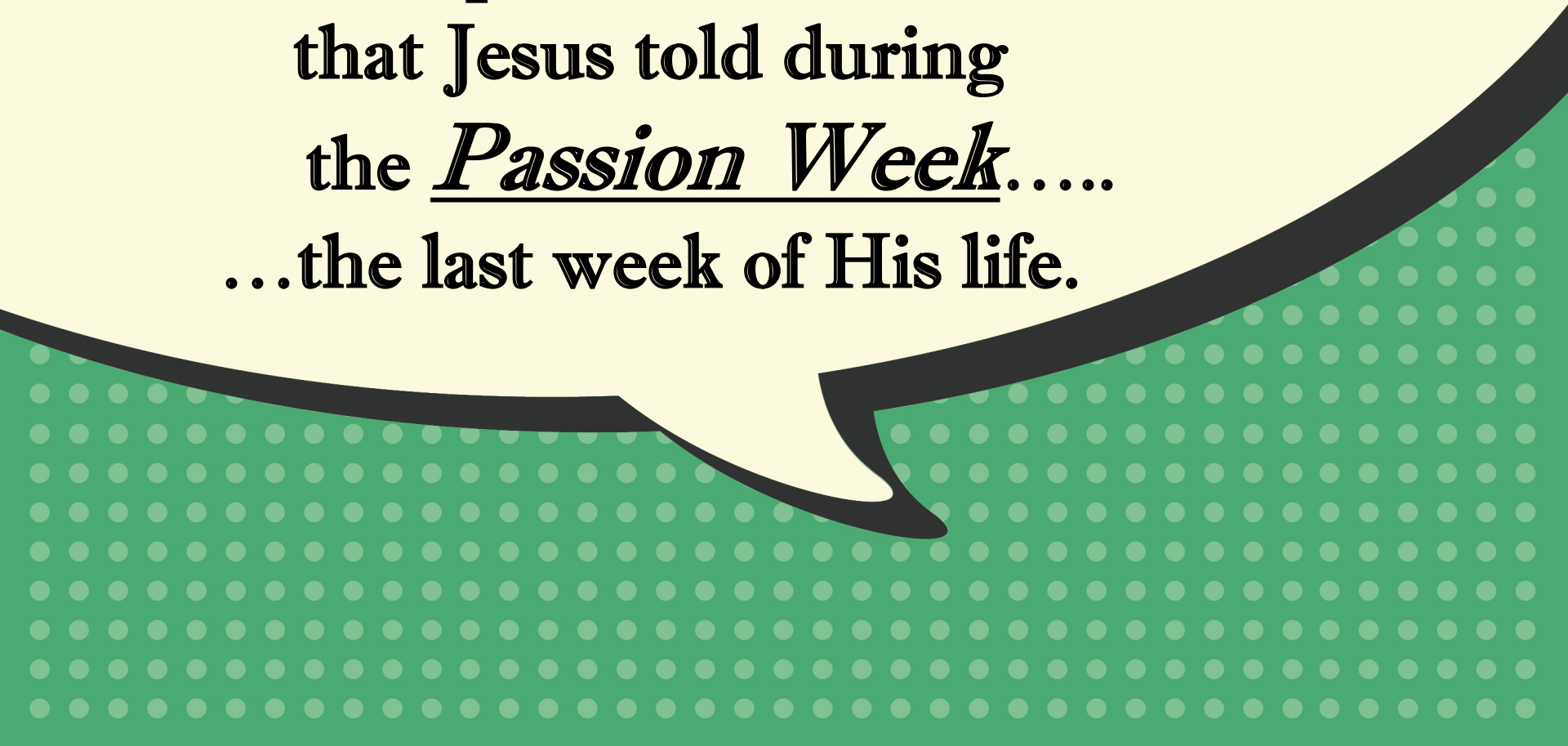
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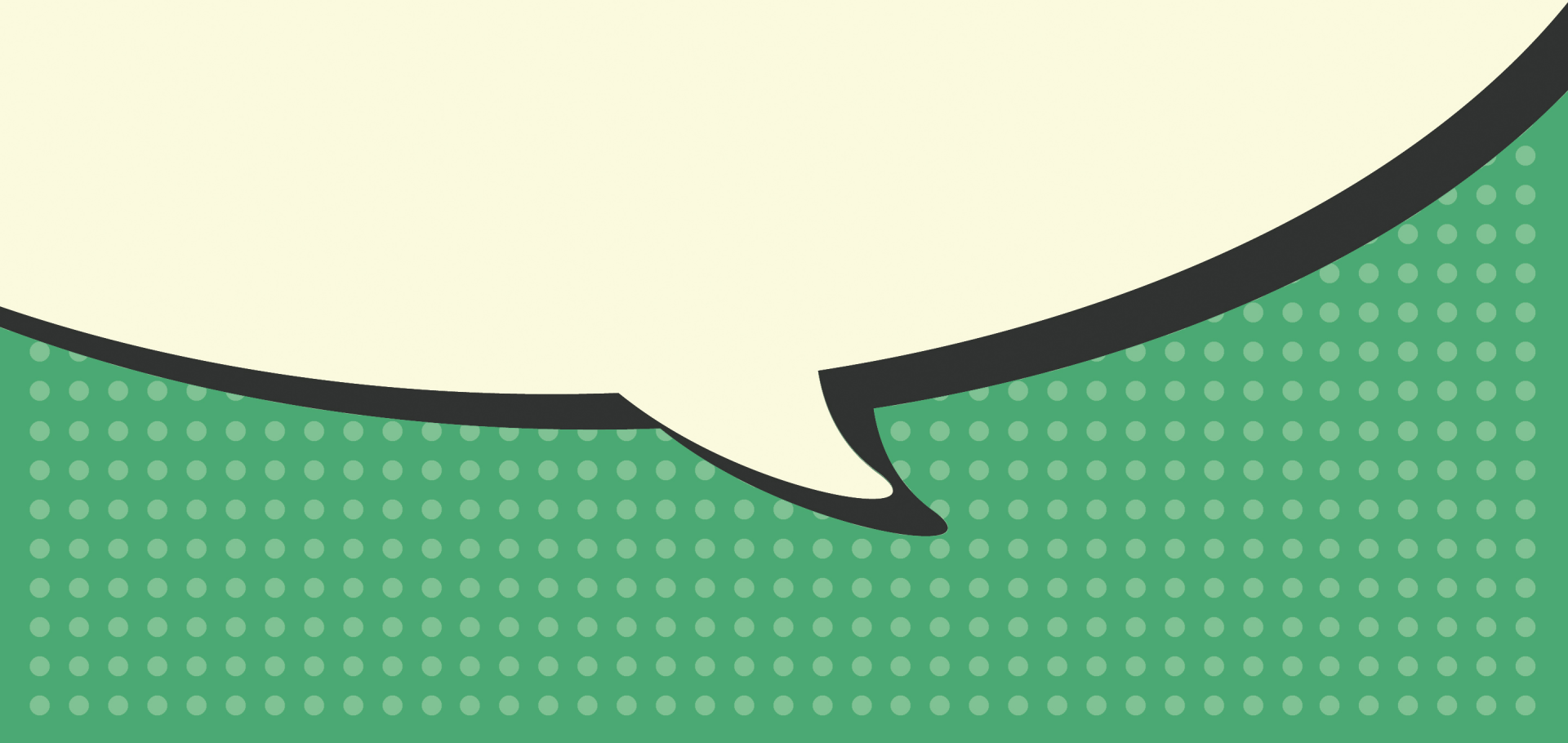
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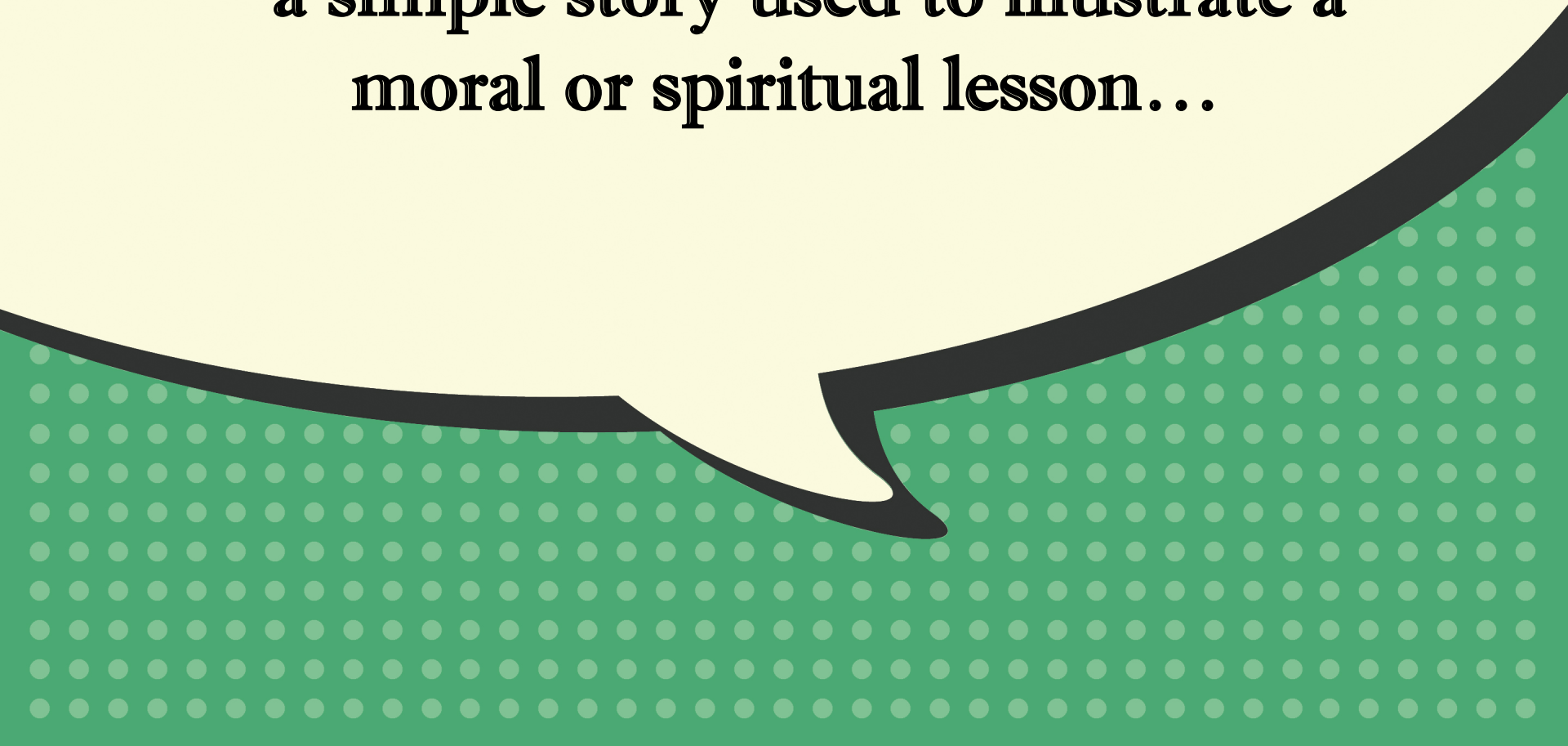


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...used by Jesus to exact the cost of being intimate with Him and His kingdom.

Matthew 21:18-22

PARABLE OF THE FIG TREE



**Genuine faith is revealed by substance
and not just appearance.**

Matthew 21:28-32
PARABLE OF THE TWO SONS



Obedient faith is revealed by actions not just words.

Matthew 21:33-46

PARABLE OF THE TENANTS



Essential faith is focused on
Christ as the 'cornerstone'.

Matthew 22:1-14

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“Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.

7 Let us rejoice and exult and give Him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His Bride has made herself ready.

8 It was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure” – for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

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- 4 Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, *“See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.”*
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Luke 13:34

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!

MATTHEW

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- 7 The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city.
- 8 Then he said to his servants, *'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy.*
- 9 *Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.*
- 10 And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding has was filled with guests.

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Romans 13:12-14

Let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.

Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. But **put on** the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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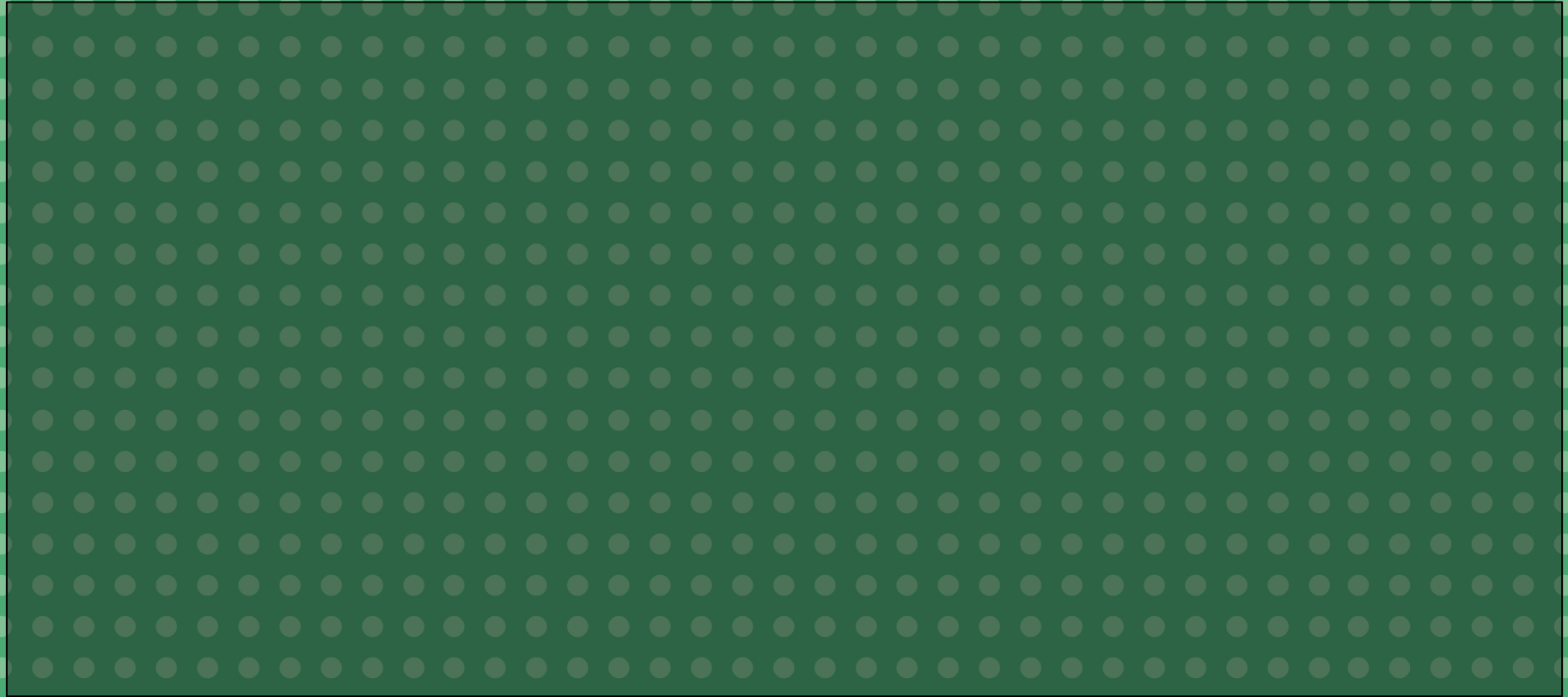
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and those who have trusted Him are the bride.



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