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# Four things every human has to land on:

1. The origin life
2. The meaning of life
3. The moral values of life
4. The destiny of life



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**Deuteronomy 30:19b-20**

Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, loving the LORD your  
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**Bad, wicked,  
malicious, slothful,  
manipulative.**

## MATTHEW 23: 16-22

- 16 "Woe to you, blind guides, who say,  
'If anyone swears by the temple, it is nothing, but if anyone swears by the gold of the temple, he is bound by his oath.'
- 17 *You blind fools! For which is greater, the gold or the temple that has made the gold sacred?*
- 18 And you say, 'If anyone swears by the altar, it is nothing, but if anyone swears by the gift that is on the altar, he is bound by his oath.'
- 19 *You blind men! For which is greater, the gift or the altar that makes the gift sacred?*
- 20 *So whoever swears by the altar swears by it and by everything on it.*
- 21 *And whoever swears by the temple swears by it and by Him who dwells in it.*
- 22 *And whoever swears by heaven swears by the throne of God and by Him who sits upon it.*

## JAMES 5:12

But above all, my brothers, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, **but let your "yes" be yes and your "no" be no,** so that you may not fall under condemnation.

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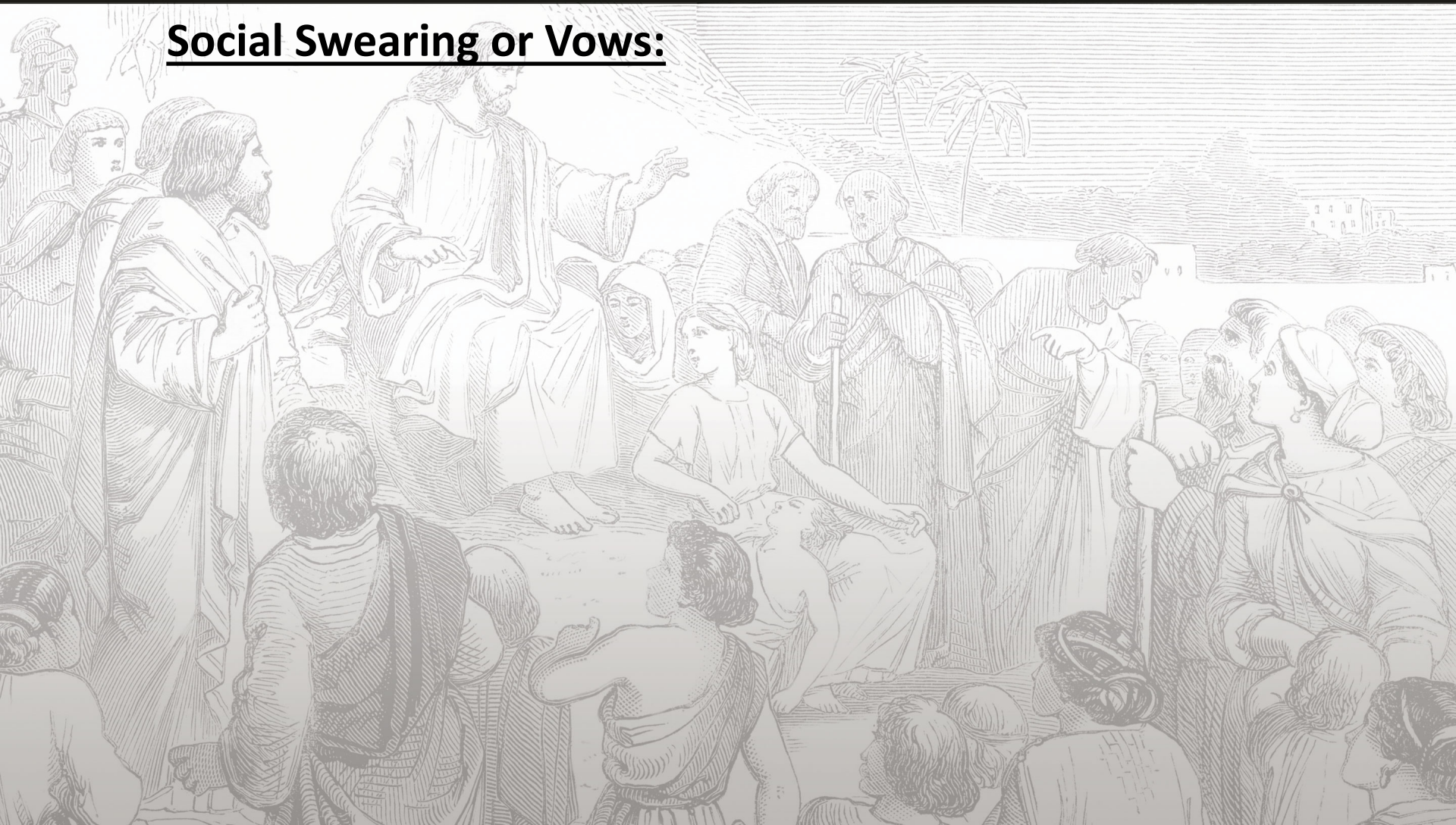


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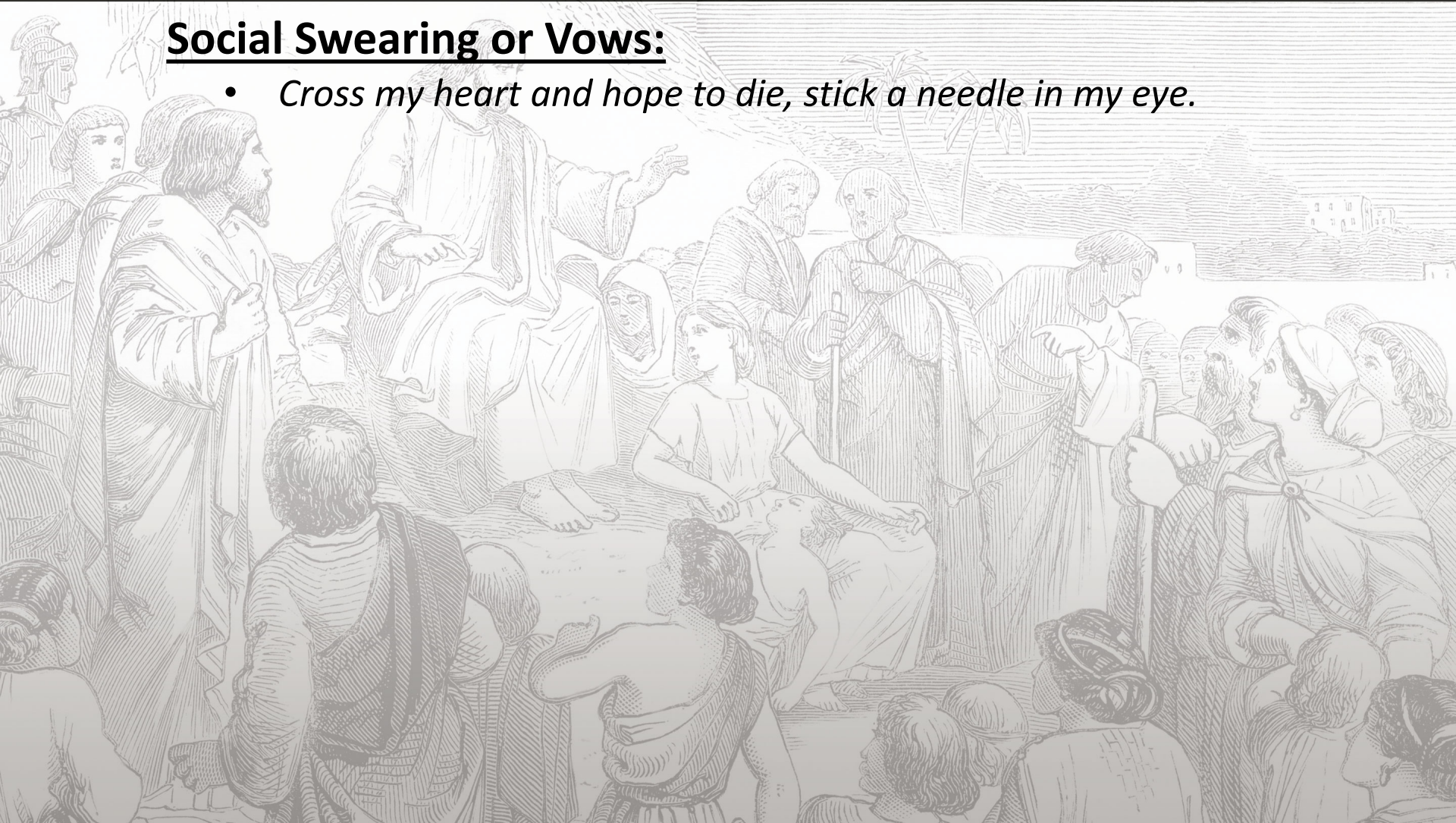
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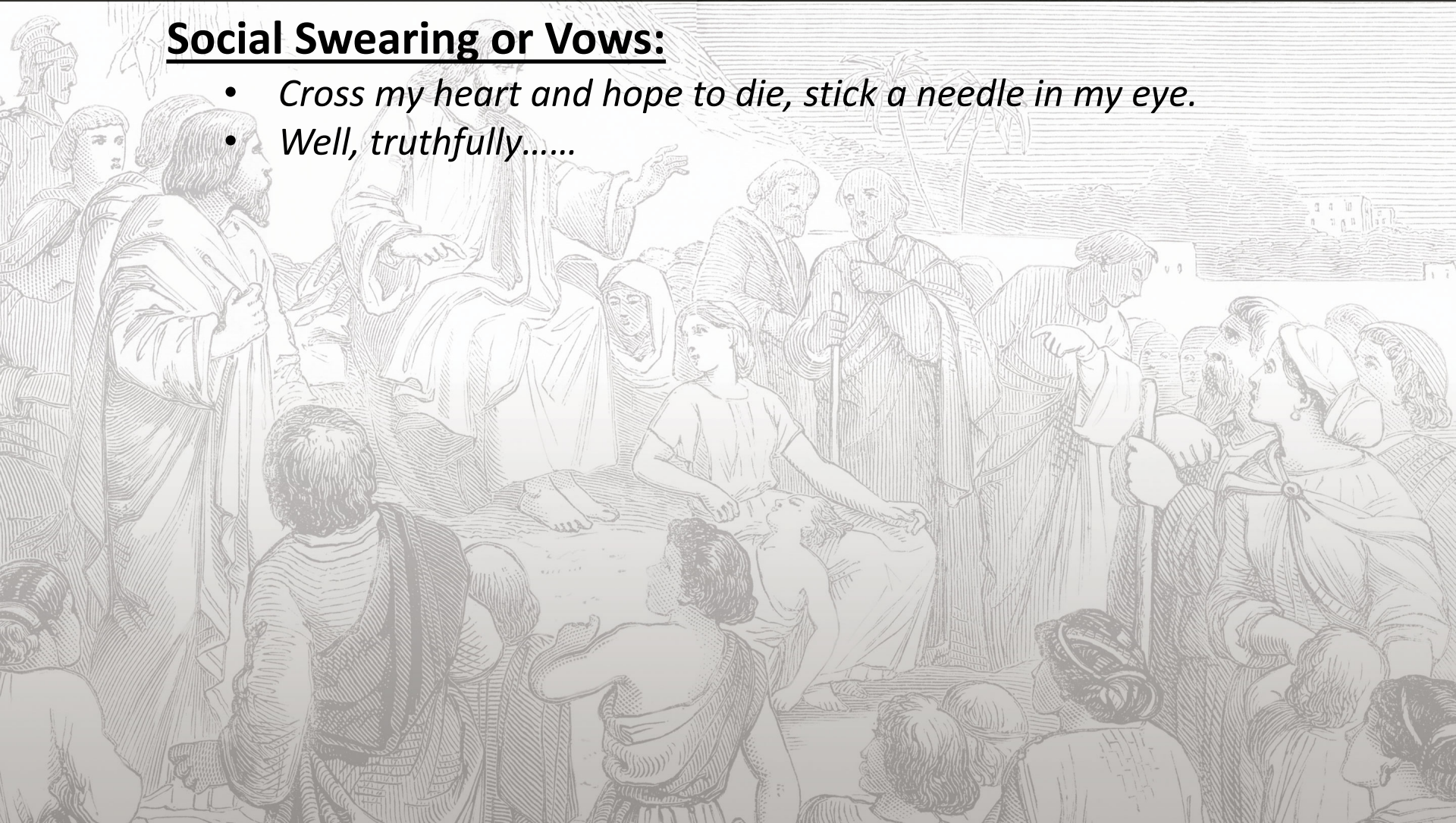
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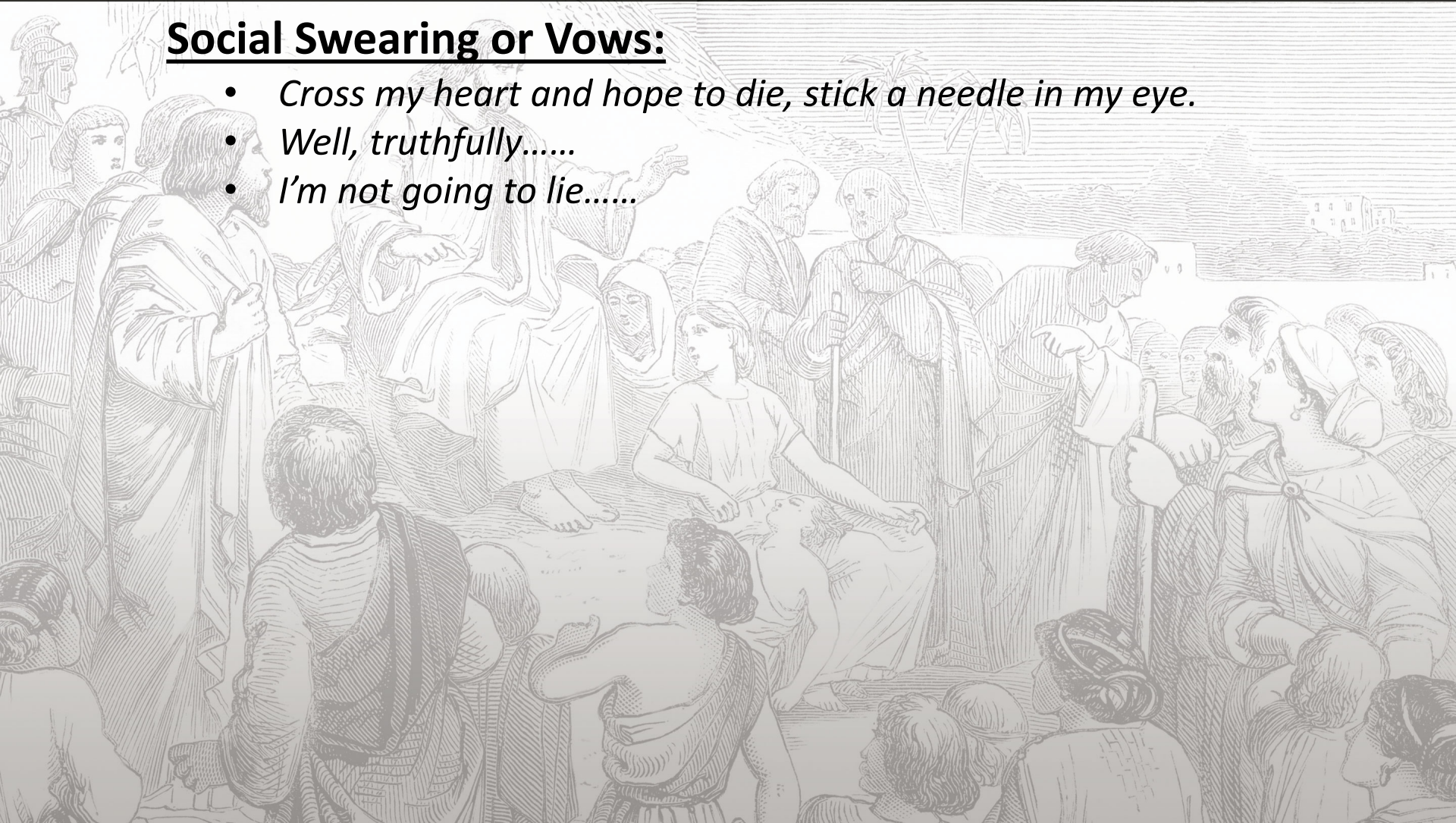
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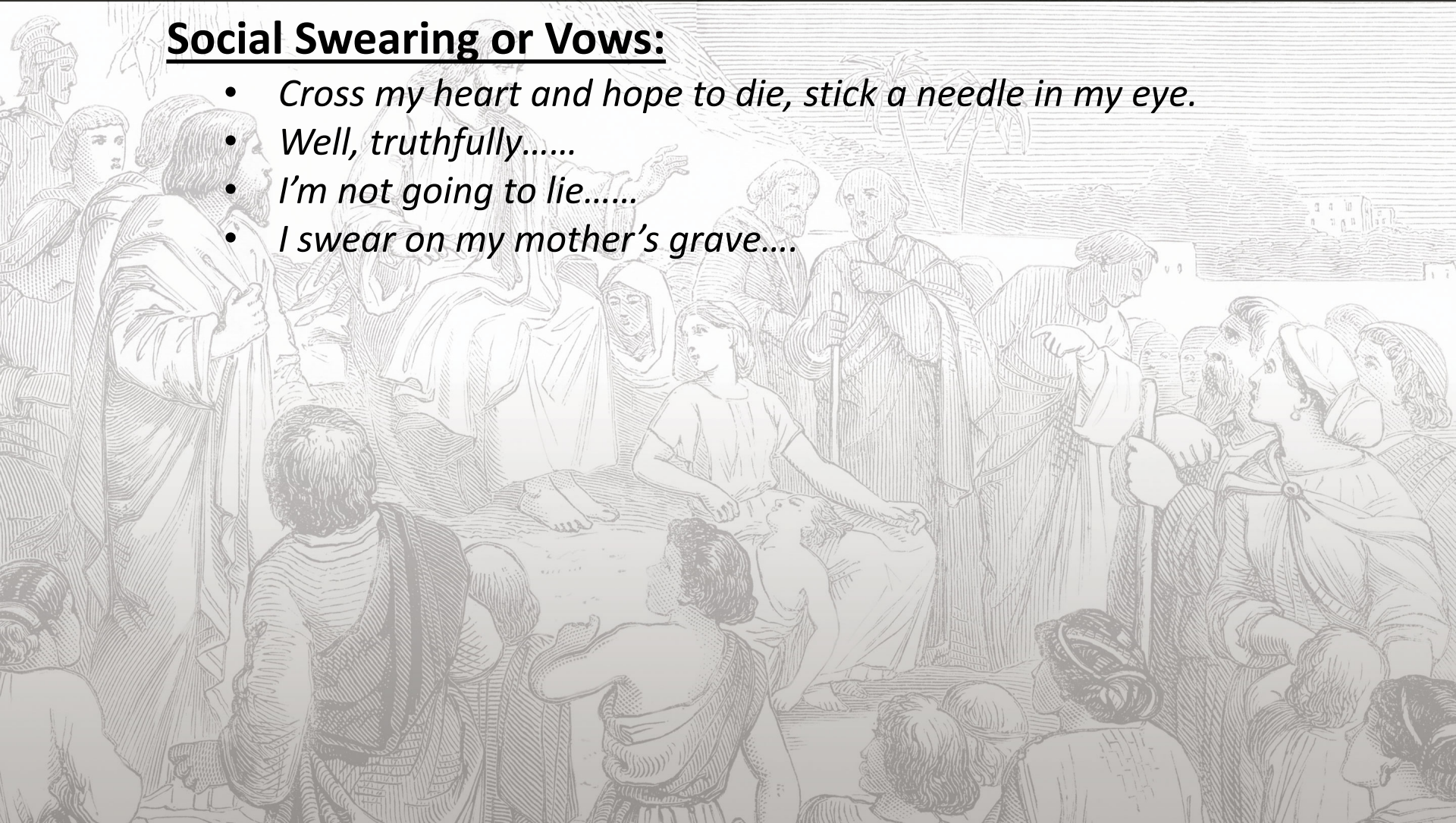
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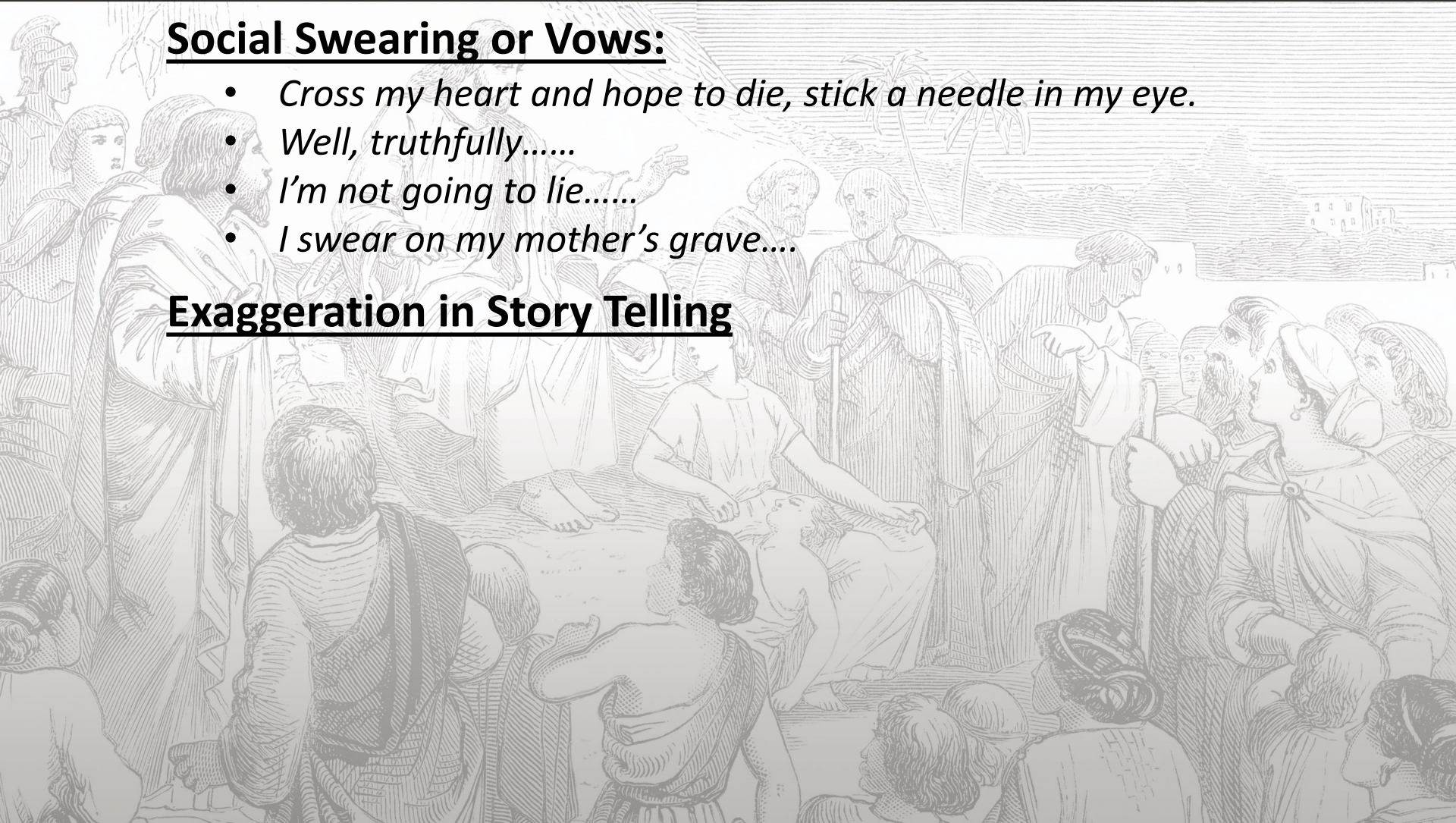


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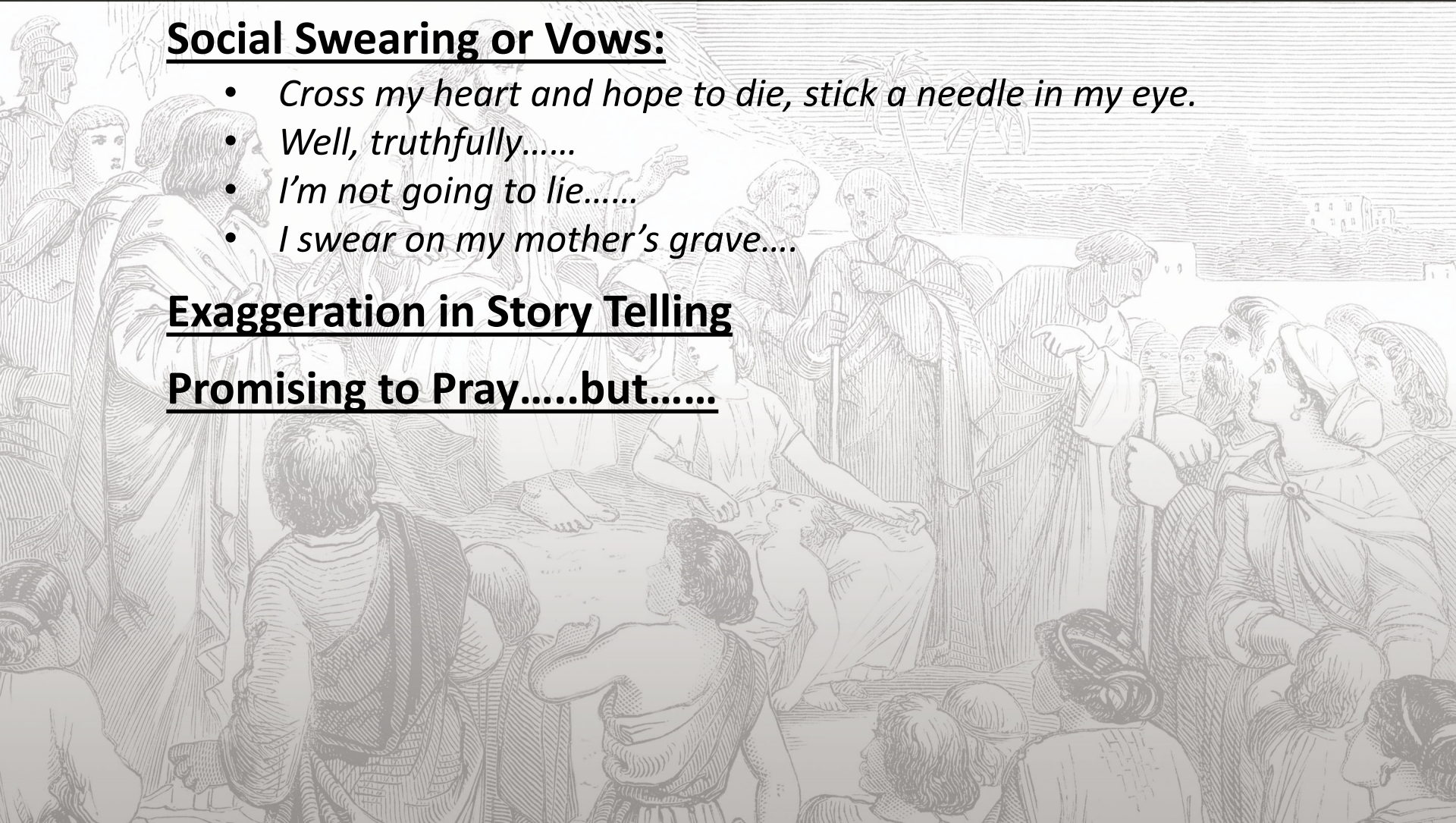
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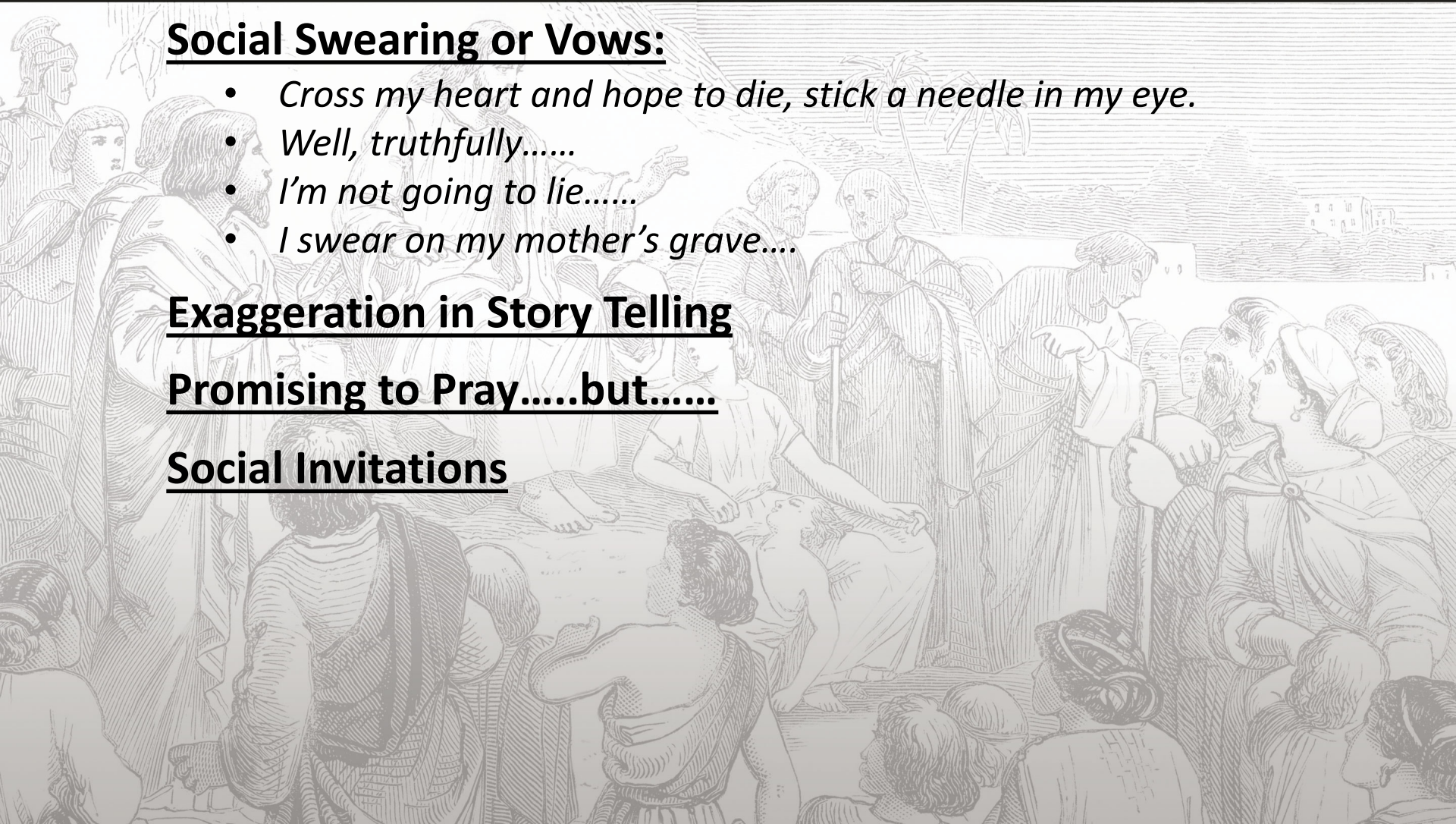
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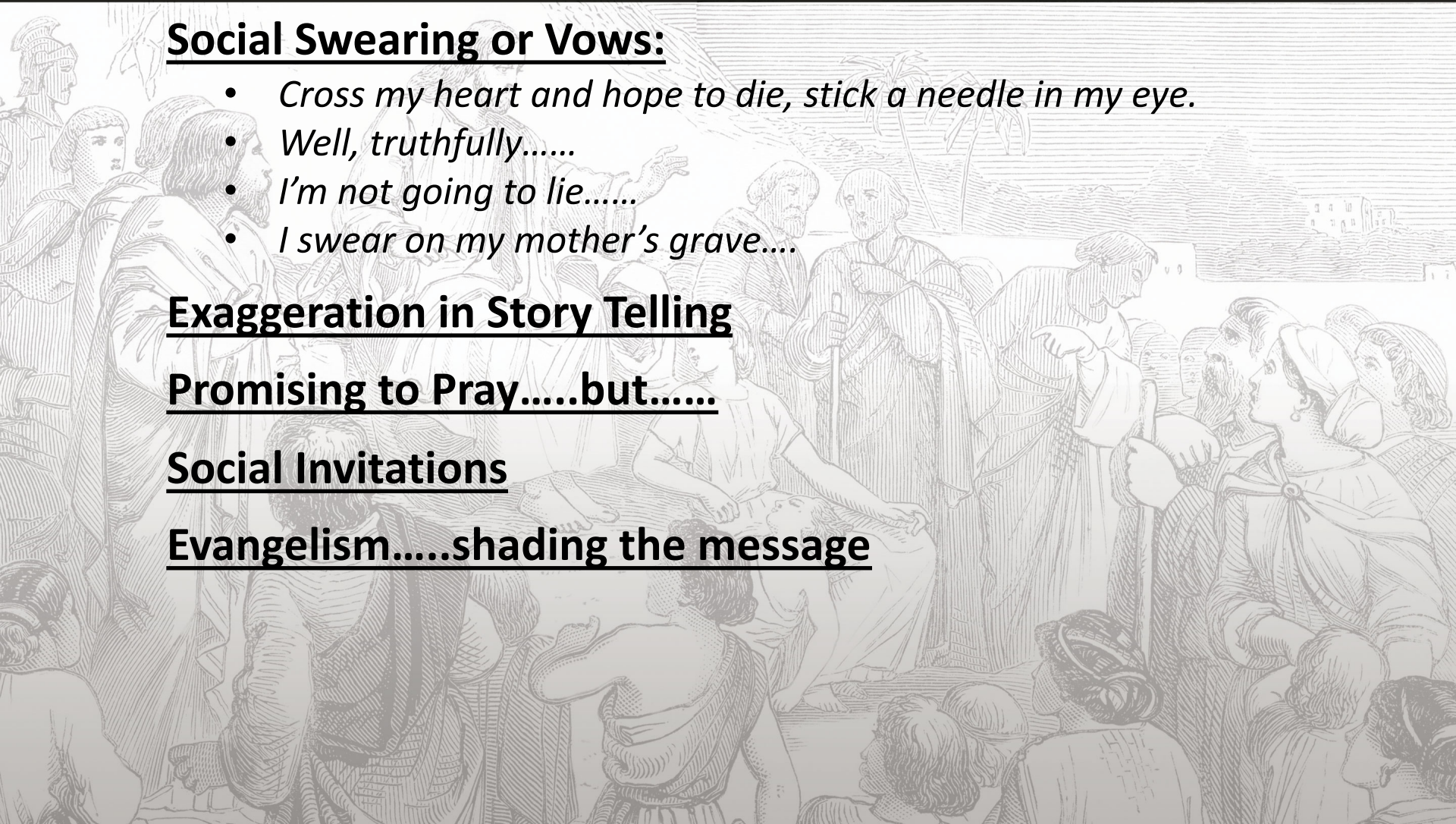
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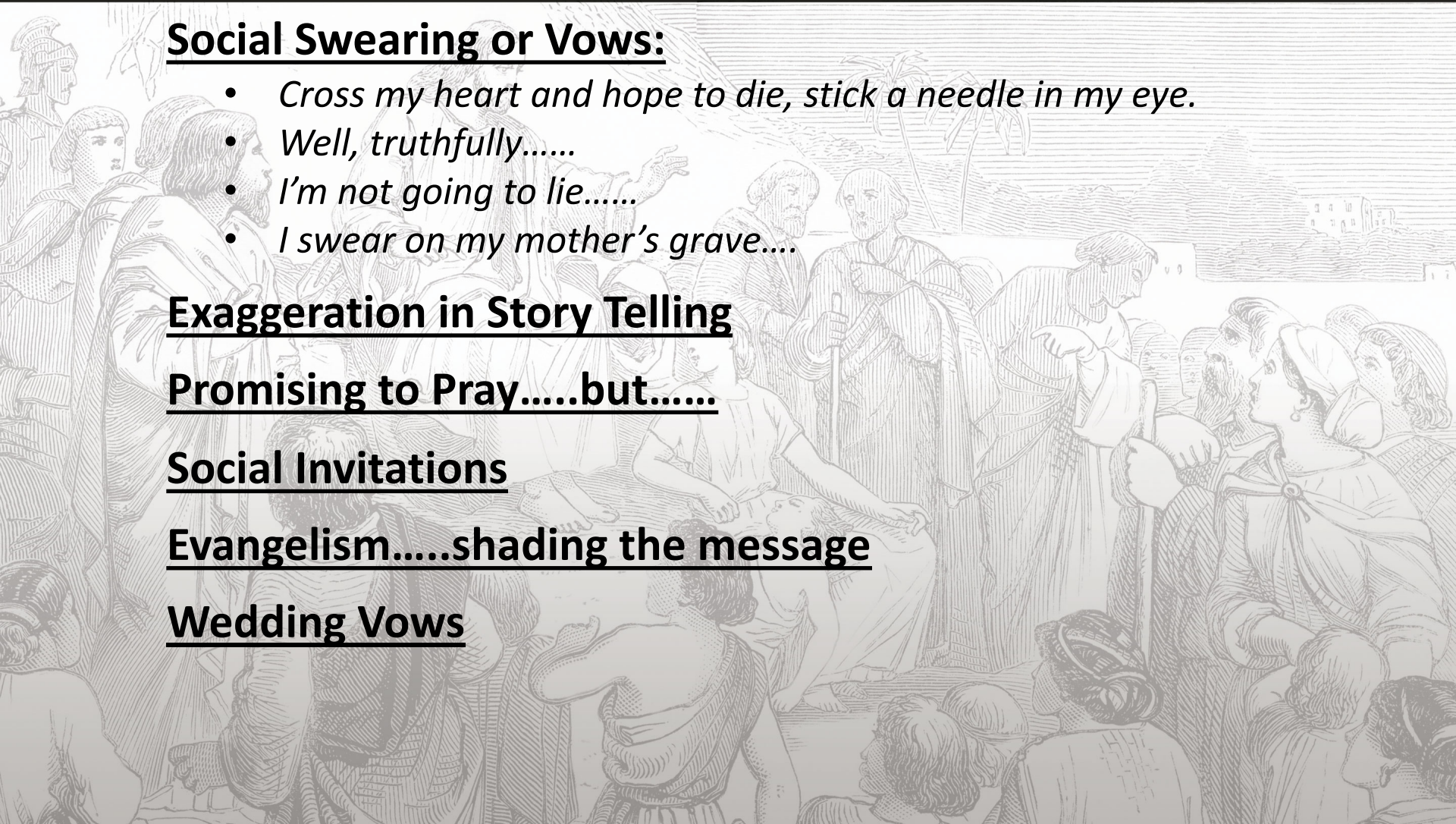
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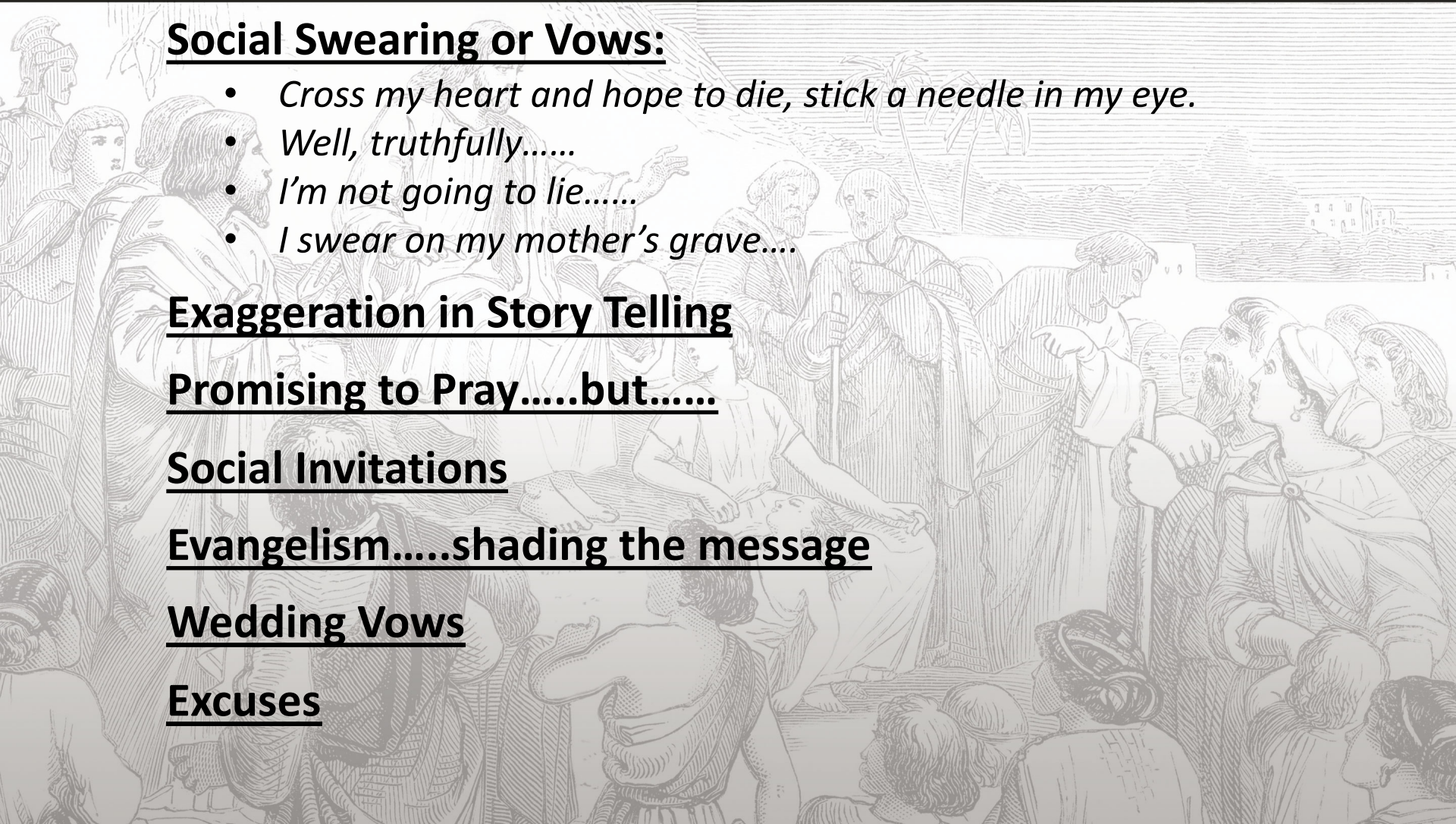
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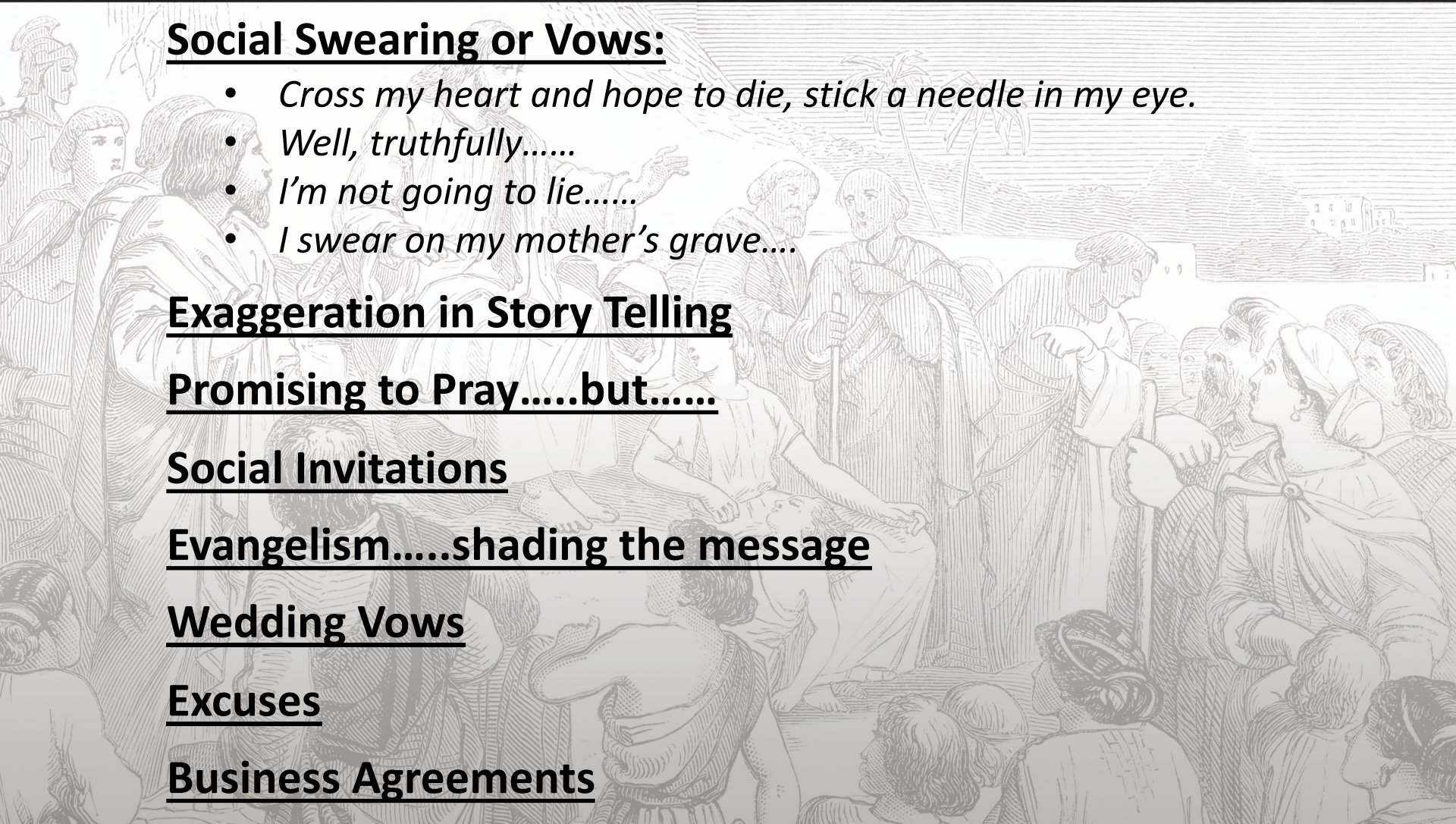
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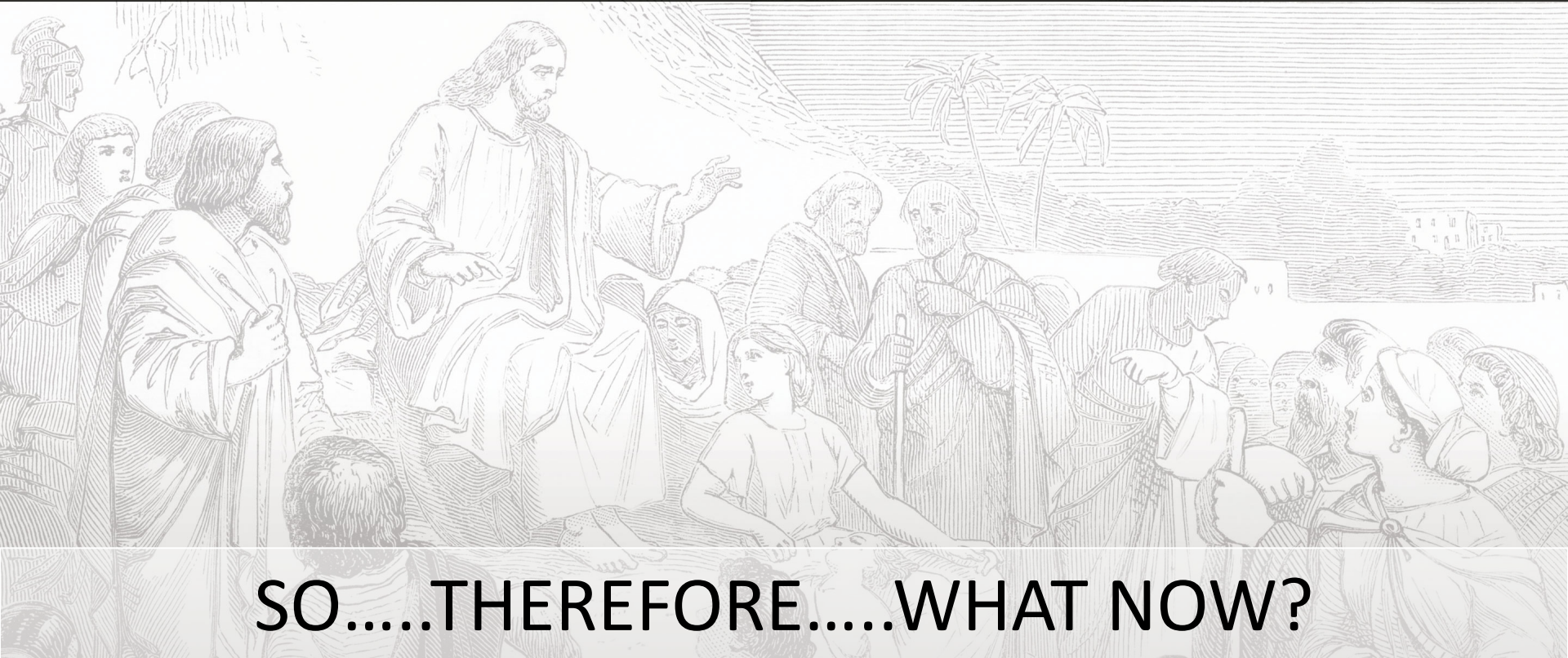
Spencer Johnson, physician and author of,

*Who Moved My Cheese?*

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EVERY WEEK YOU WILL RECEIVE A CARD TO HELP YOU PROCESS AND APPLY WHAT JESUS SAID...



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# OATHS AND HONESTY: MATTHEW 5:33-37

**WHAT ABOUT THIS TOPIC DO YOU NEED TO WRESTLE WITH?**

**HOW WILLING ARE YOU TO WRESTLE WITH THIS?**

**WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?**

**IS THERE A SCRIPTURE PASSAGE THAT MIGHT HELP TO TRANSFORM YOUR THINKING?**

