

REASON TO HOPE

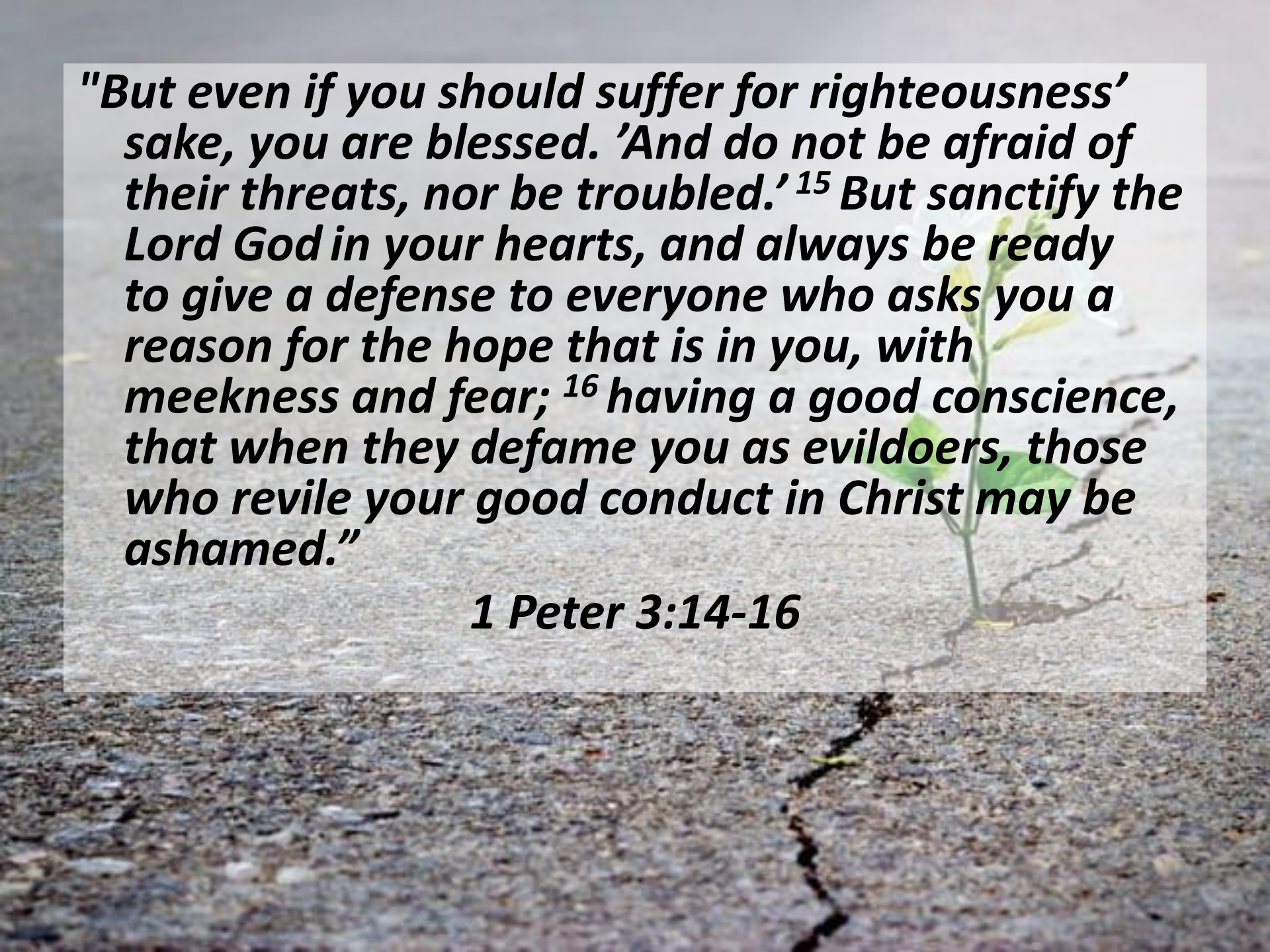
the what & why of our faith

Why We Trust the Word

2 Timothy 3:16-17

May 20th, 2018



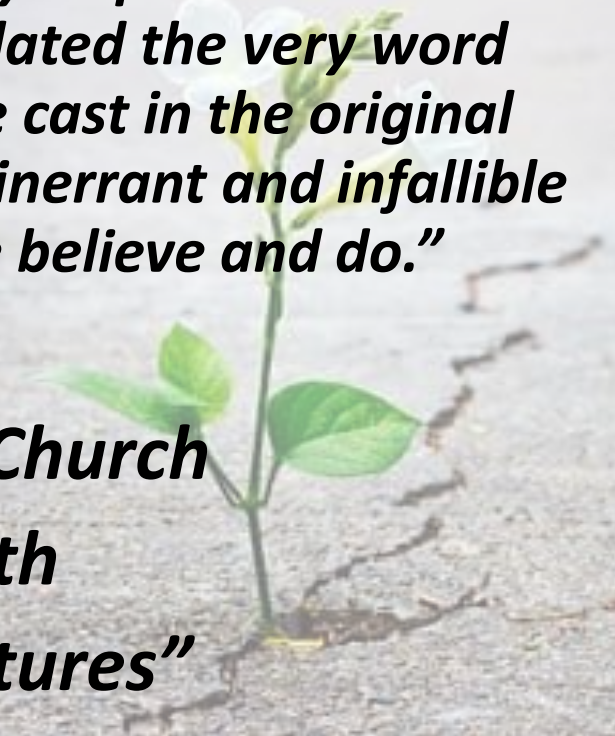
A small green seedling with two leaves is growing out of a crack in a grey asphalt surface. The background is a blurred asphalt road.

"But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you are blessed. 'And do not be afraid of their threats, nor be troubled.'¹⁵ But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear;¹⁶ having a good conscience, that when they defame you as evildoers, those who revile your good conduct in Christ may be ashamed."

1 Peter 3:14-16

“We believe in the complete verbal inspiration of the Scriptures, including both Old and New Testaments, by which we understand that the Holy Spirit not only inspired the thoughts of the writers but also formulated the very word structure into which the thoughts were cast in the original documents. The Bible, as the inspired, inerrant and infallible Word of God, is the standard for all we believe and do.”

***Cascade Community Church
Statement of Faith
Section 1- “The Scriptures”***



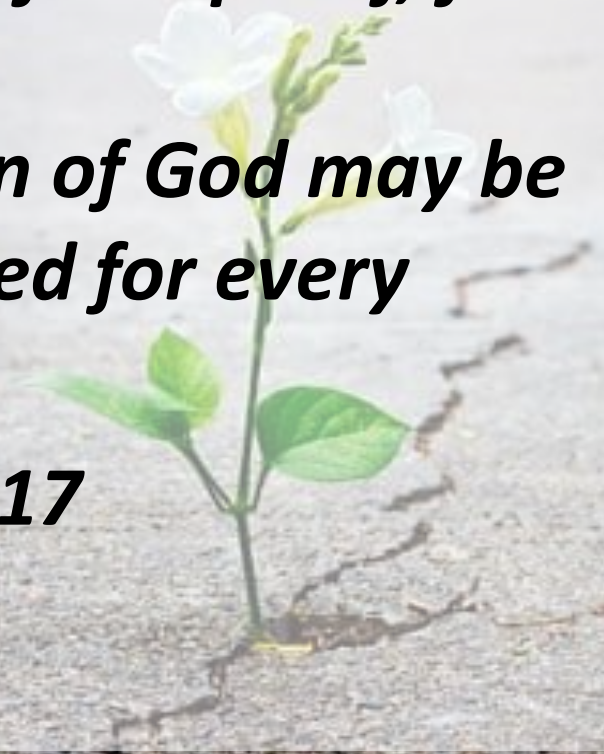
Outline

I. Scripture and It's Origin



"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness,¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work."

- 2 Timothy 3:16-17



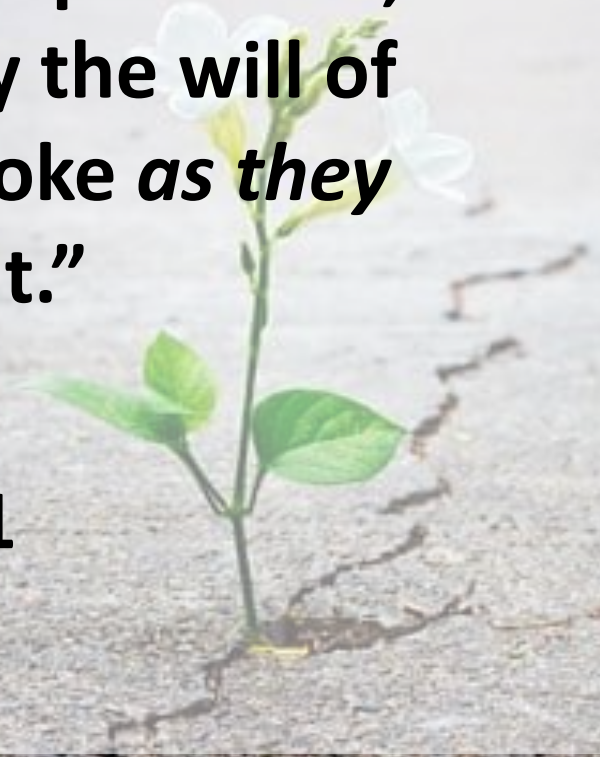
“These things we also speak, not in words which man’s wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual.”

-1 Corinthians 2:13



“...knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation,²¹ for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke *as they were* moved by the Holy Spirit.”

-2 Peter 1:20-21



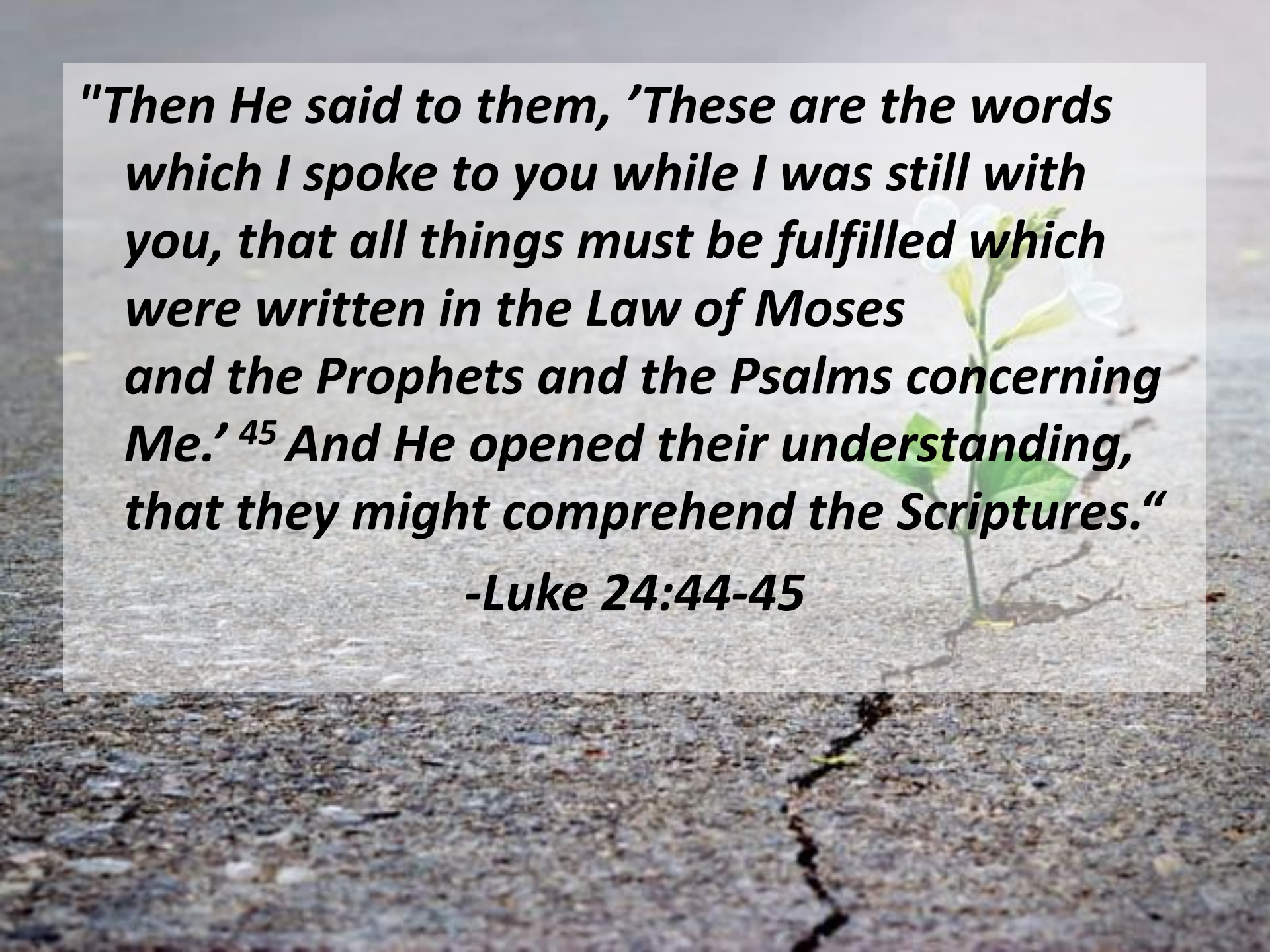
"Who says of Cyrus, 'He is My shepherd, And he shall perform all My pleasure, Saying to Jerusalem, "You shall be built," And to the temple, "Your foundation shall be laid.""

-Isaiah 44:28



- ***Apocrypha - obscure/ hidden away writings***
 - *Accurate in what is written but not Scripture*
- ***Pseudepigrapha - False writings***



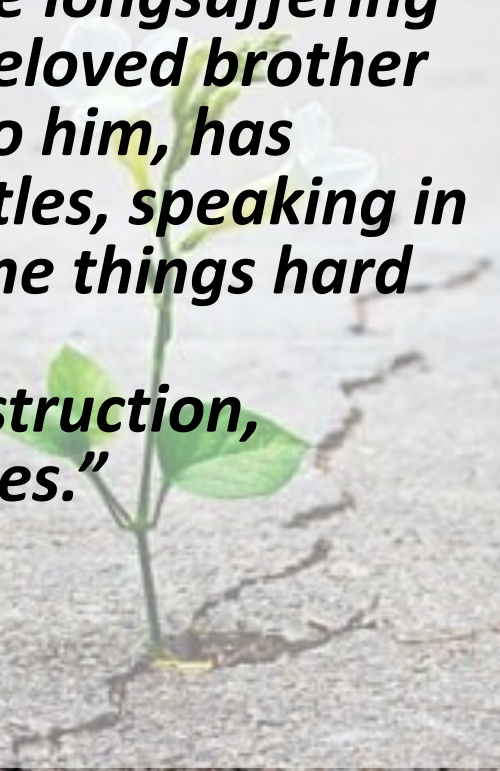
A small white flower with green leaves is growing out of a crack in a concrete sidewalk. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with a light-colored wall and a dark crack in the pavement.

"Then He said to them, 'These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me.' ⁴⁵ And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures."

-Luke 24:44-45

"Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless; ¹⁵ and consider that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation—as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you, ¹⁶ as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which untaught and unstable people twist to their own destruction, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures."

-2 Peter 3:14-16



"For the Scripture says, 'You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain,' and, 'The laborer is worthy of his wages.'"

-1 Timothy 5:18



Outline

- I. Scripture and It's Origin
- II. Scripture and It's Accuracy



"Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth."

-John 17:17



“Then he threw down the pieces of silver in the temple and departed, and went and hanged himself.”

-Matthew 27:5



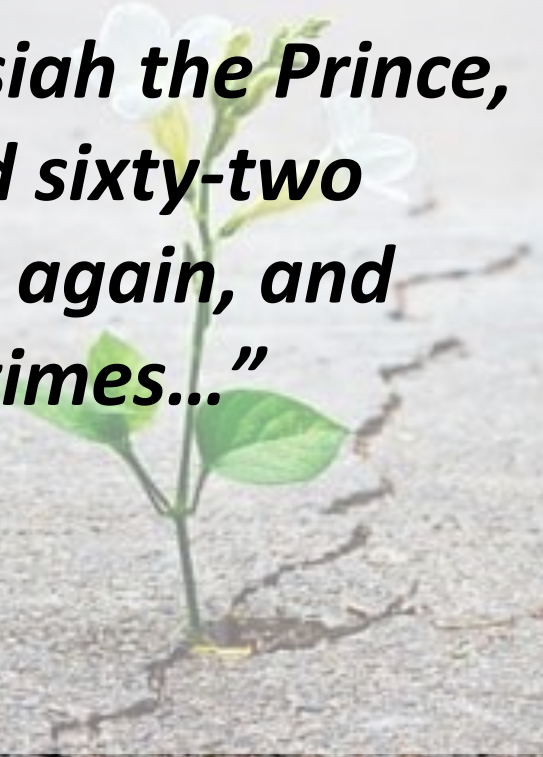
***"Now this man purchased a field
with the wages of iniquity; and falling
headlong, he burst open in the middle and all
his entrails gushed out."***

-Acts 1:18



"Know therefore and understand, That from the going forth of the command To restore and build Jerusalem Until Messiah the Prince, There shall be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; The street shall be built again, and the wall, Even in troublesome times..."

-Daniel 9:25



7 sevens= 49 years.

62 sevens= 434 years.

Total of 483 years.

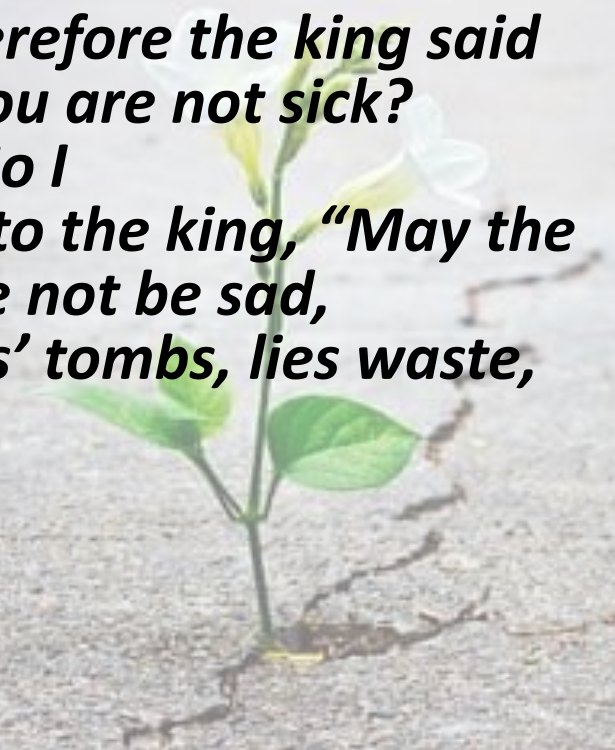


483 years x 360 days per year = 173,880 days.



"And it came to pass in the month of Nisan, in the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes, when wine was before him, that I took the wine and gave it to the king. Now I had never been sad in his presence before. ² Therefore the king said to me, "Why is your face sad, since you are not sick? This is nothing but sorrow of heart." So I became dreadfully afraid, ³ and said to the king, "May the king live forever! Why should my face not be sad, when the city, the place of my fathers' tombs, lies waste, and its gates are burned with fire?"

-Nehemiah 2:1-2



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- III. Scripture and It's Authority



"So then each of us shall give account of himself to God."

-Romans 14:12



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2. Tell of the Hope and Grace of the Son of God

