



**We have a dream!**

Manus Altmann

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**Acts 2:17 (ESV)**

“ ‘And in the last days it shall be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams;

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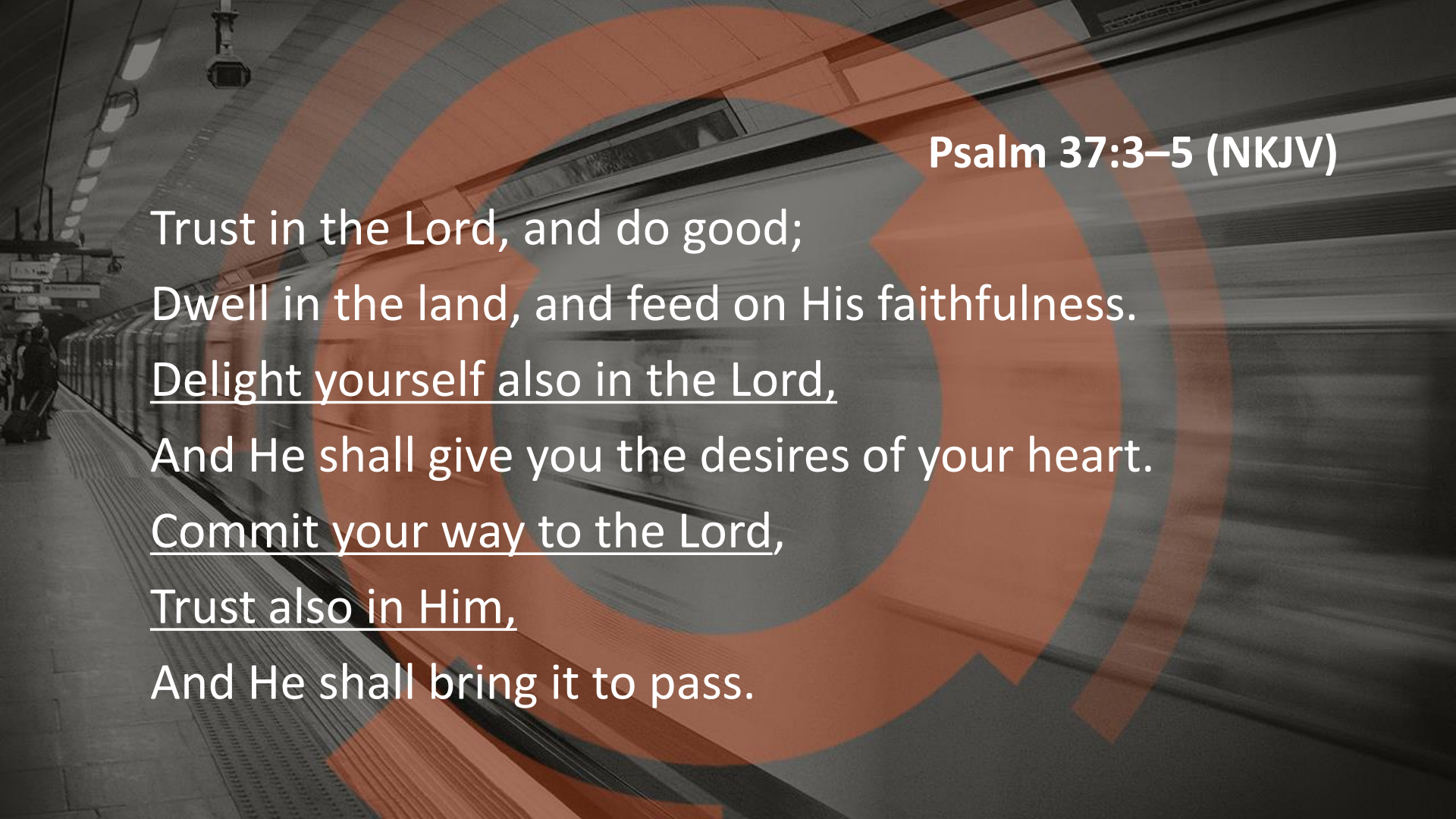
# Dreams from God





1 Peter 4:10–11 (NIV)

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.



Psalm 37:3–5 (NKJV)

Trust in the Lord, and do good;  
Dwell in the land, and feed on His faithfulness.  
Delight yourself also in the Lord,  
And He shall give you the desires of your heart.  
Commit your way to the Lord,  
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And He shall bring it to pass.

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**Dreams not from God**





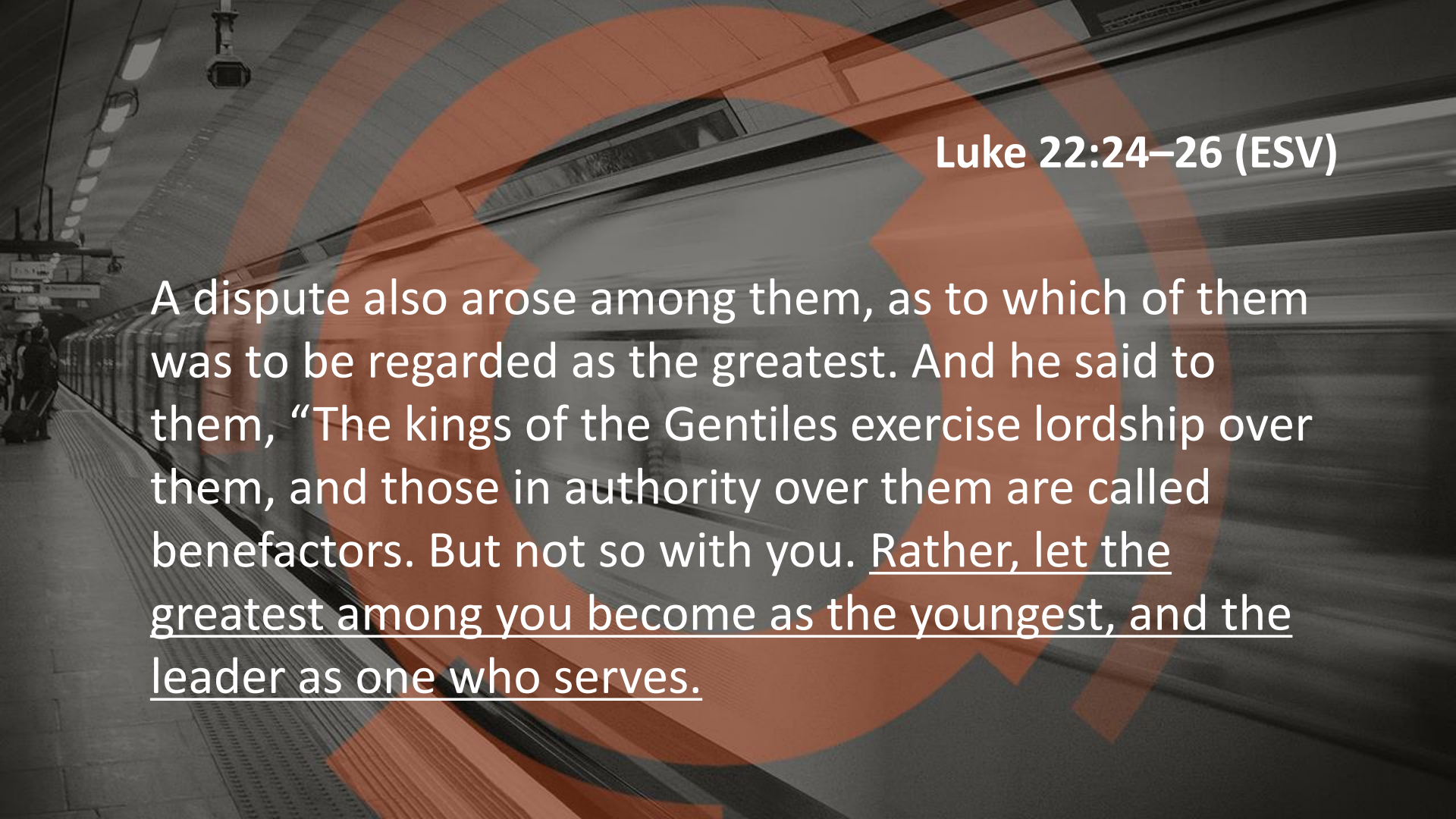
Isaiah 14:12–14 (ESV)

You said in your heart,  
'I will ascend to heaven;  
above the stars of God  
I will set my throne on high;  
I will sit on the mount of assembly  
in the far reaches of the north;

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I will ascend above the heights of the clouds;  
I will make myself like the Most High.'





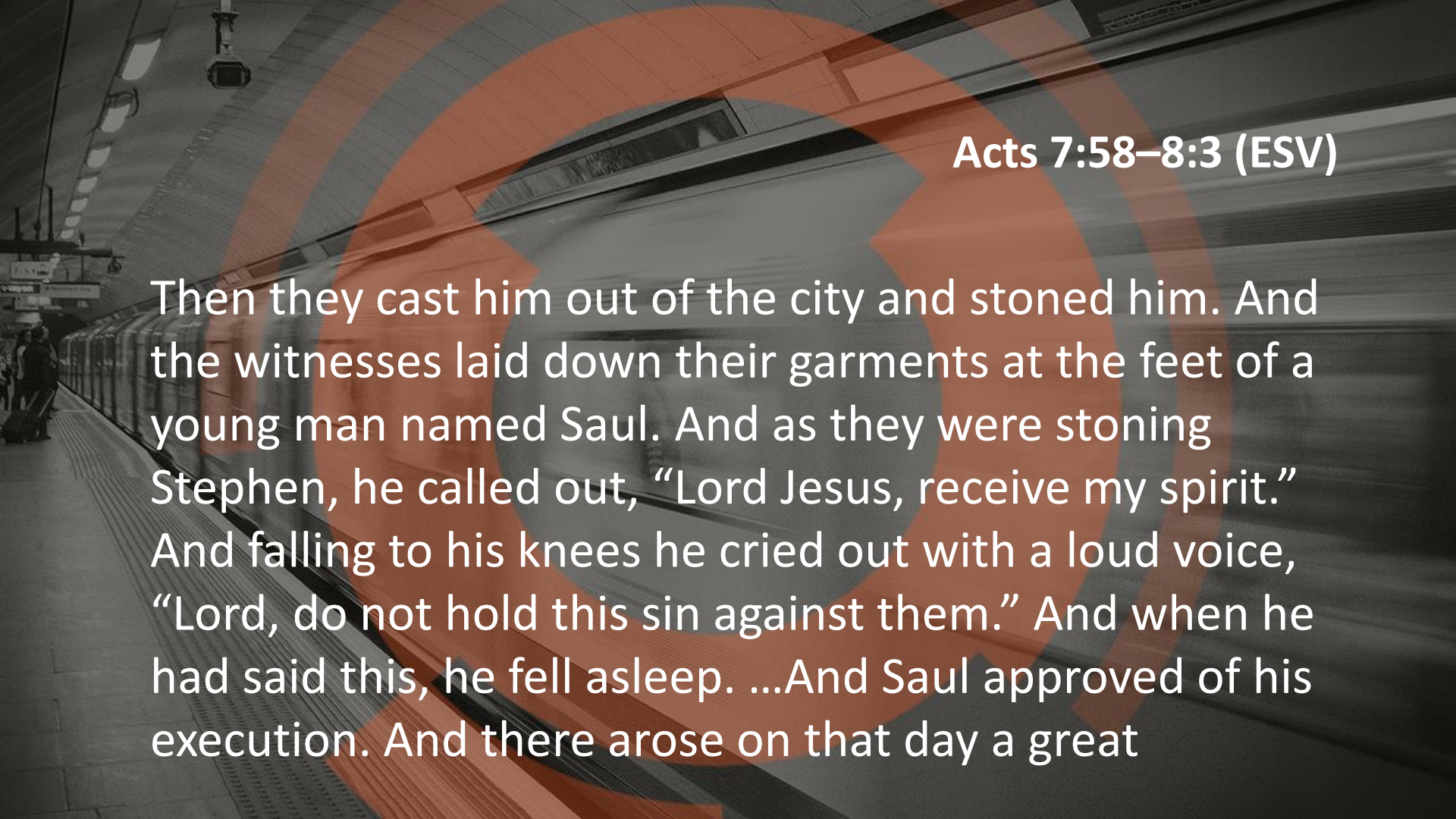
Luke 22:24–26 (ESV)

A dispute also arose among them, as to which of them was to be regarded as the greatest. And he said to them, “The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you. Rather, let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves.”

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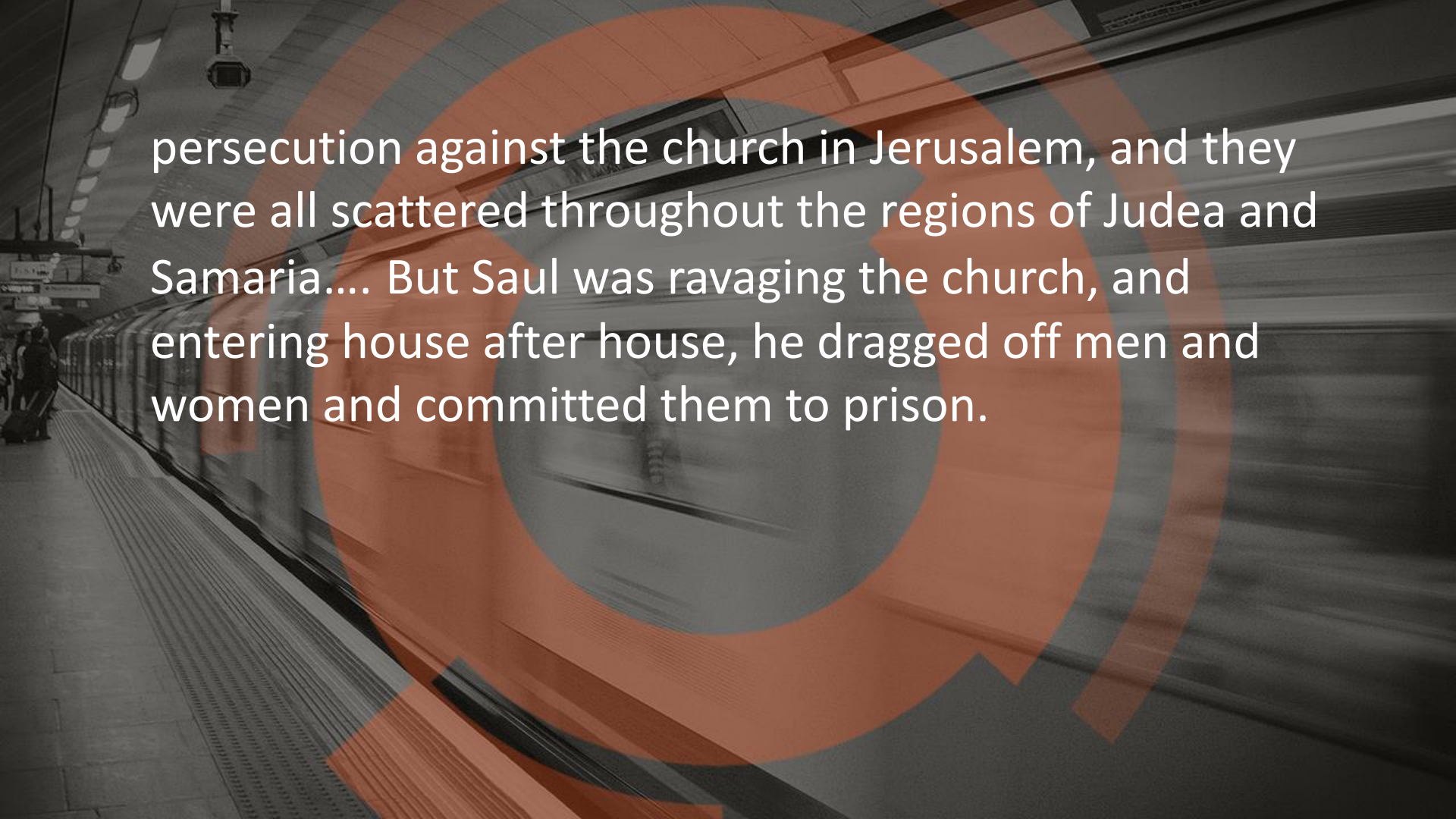


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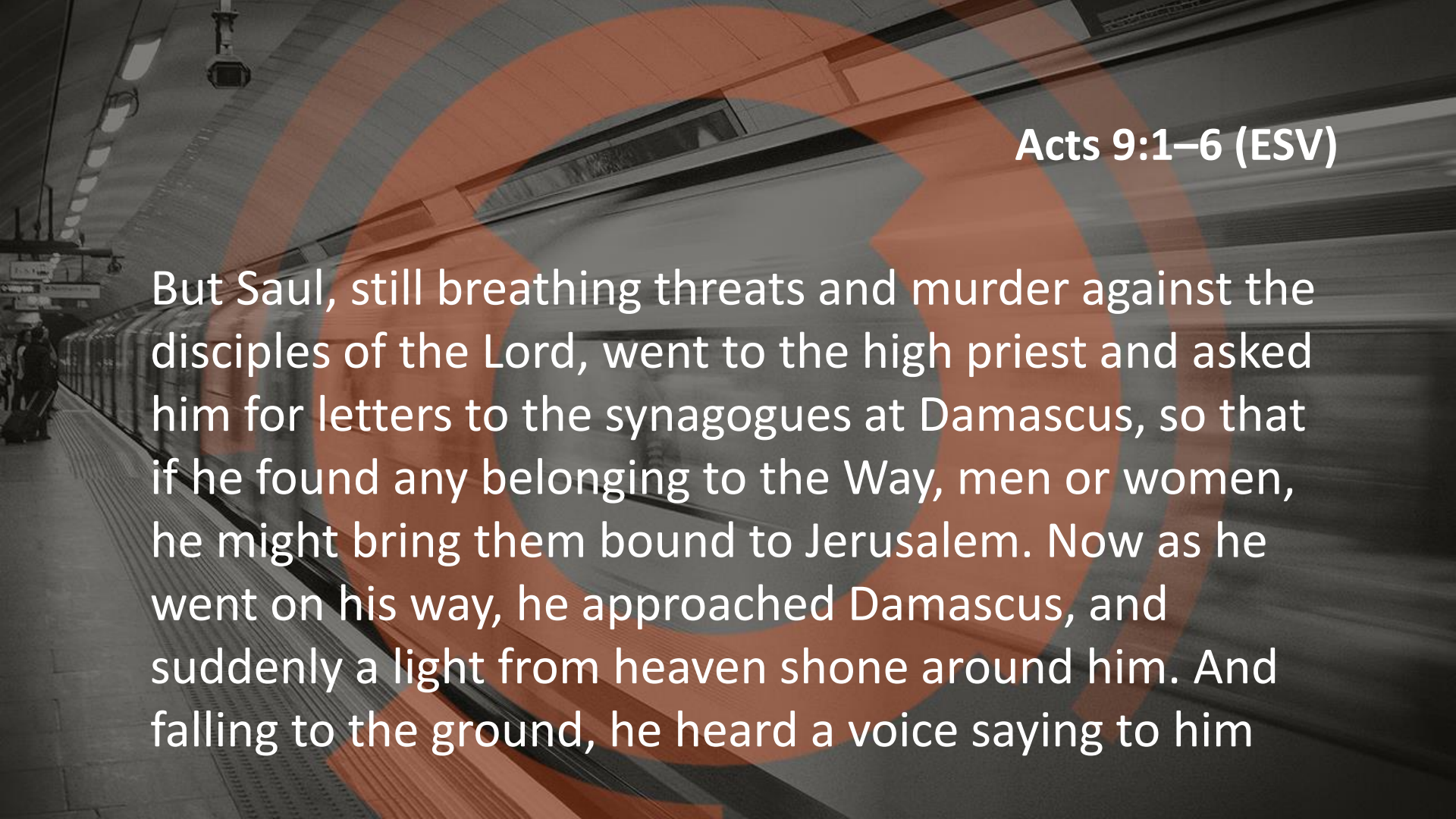
## Acts 7:58–8:3 (ESV)

Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” And when he had said this, he fell asleep. ...And Saul approved of his execution. And there arose on that day a great



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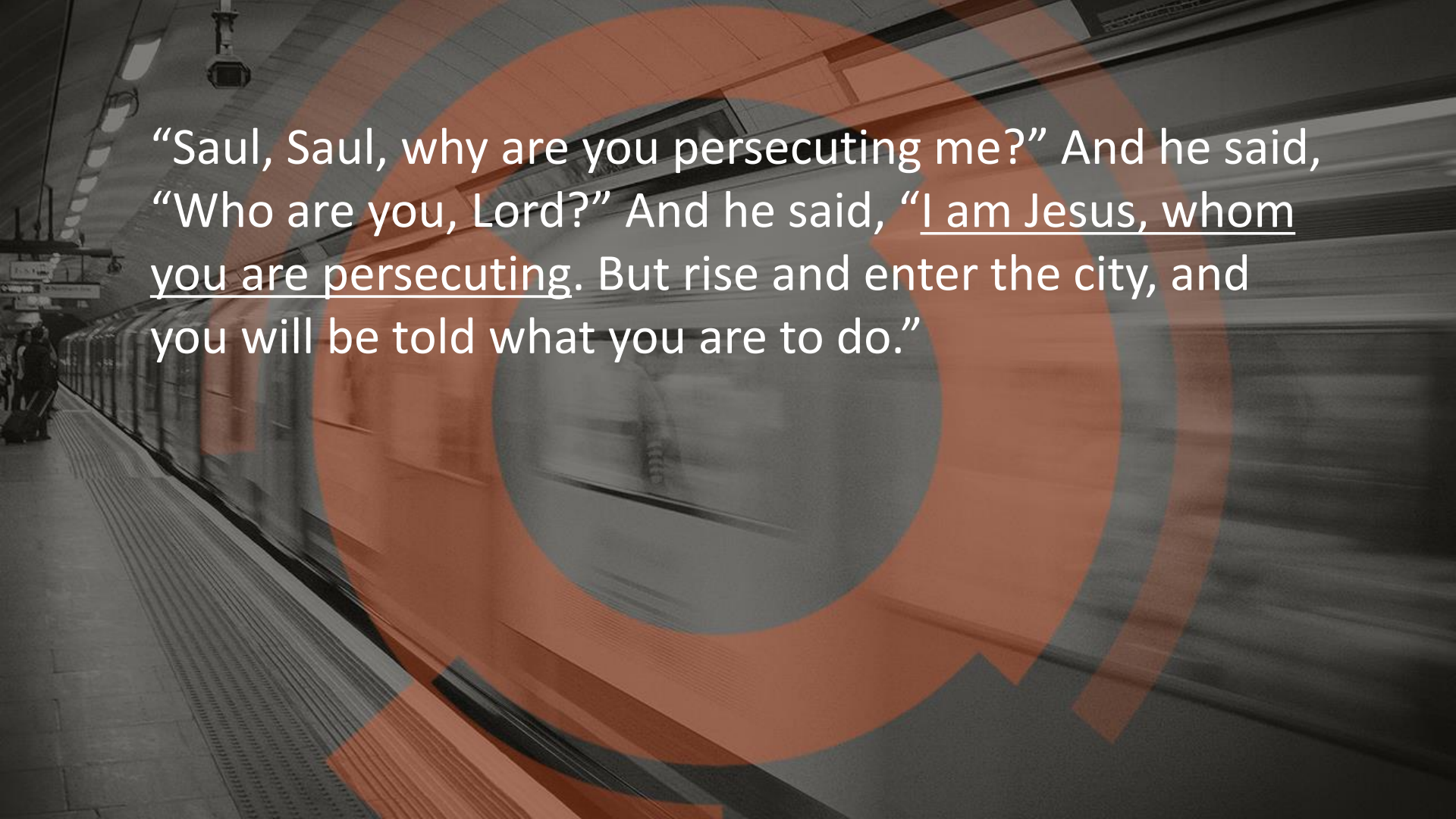
persecution against the church in Jerusalem, and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria.... But Saul was ravaging the church, and entering house after house, he dragged off men and women and committed them to prison.

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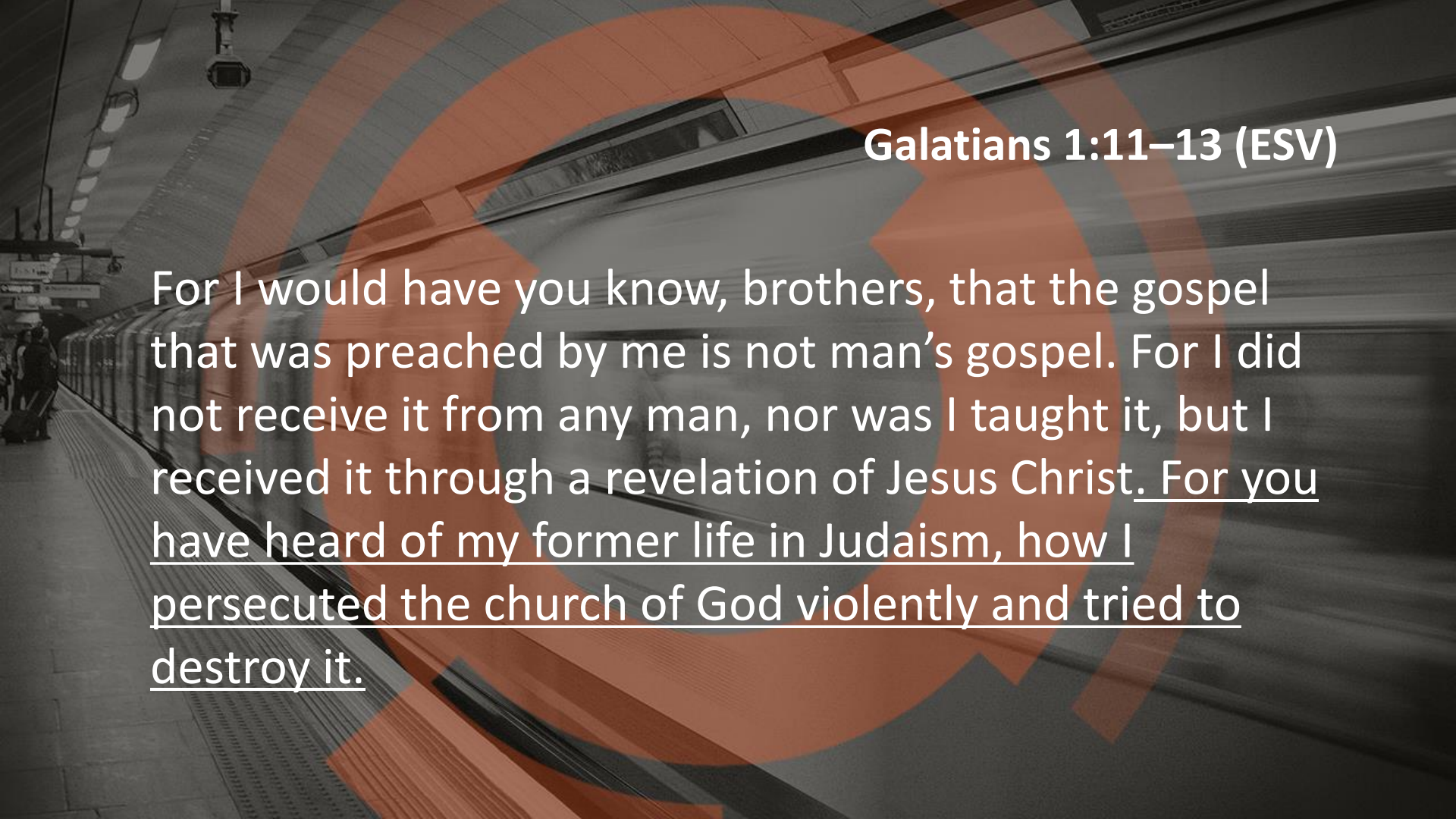
But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him. And falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him



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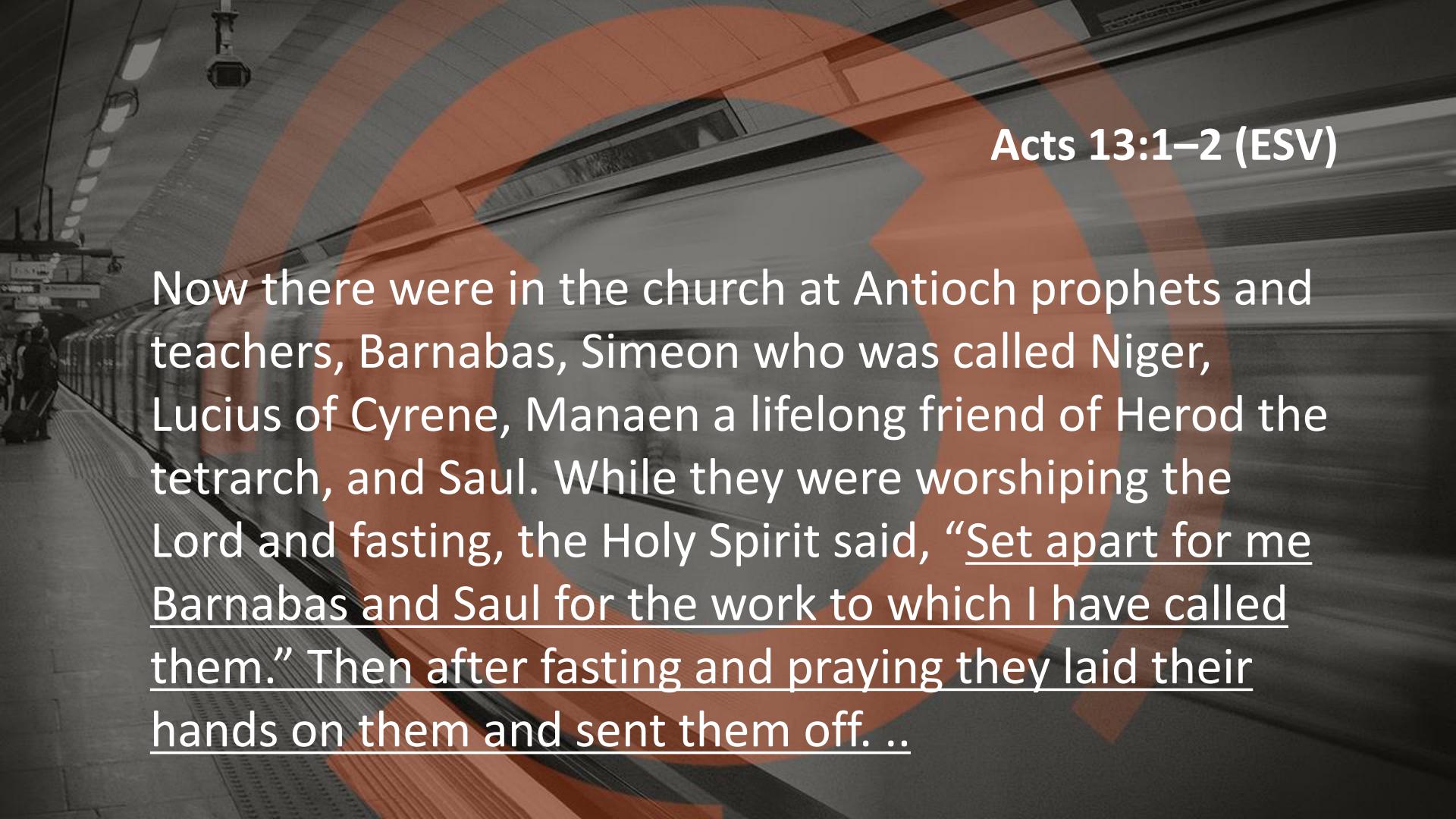
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## Galatians 1:11–13 (ESV)

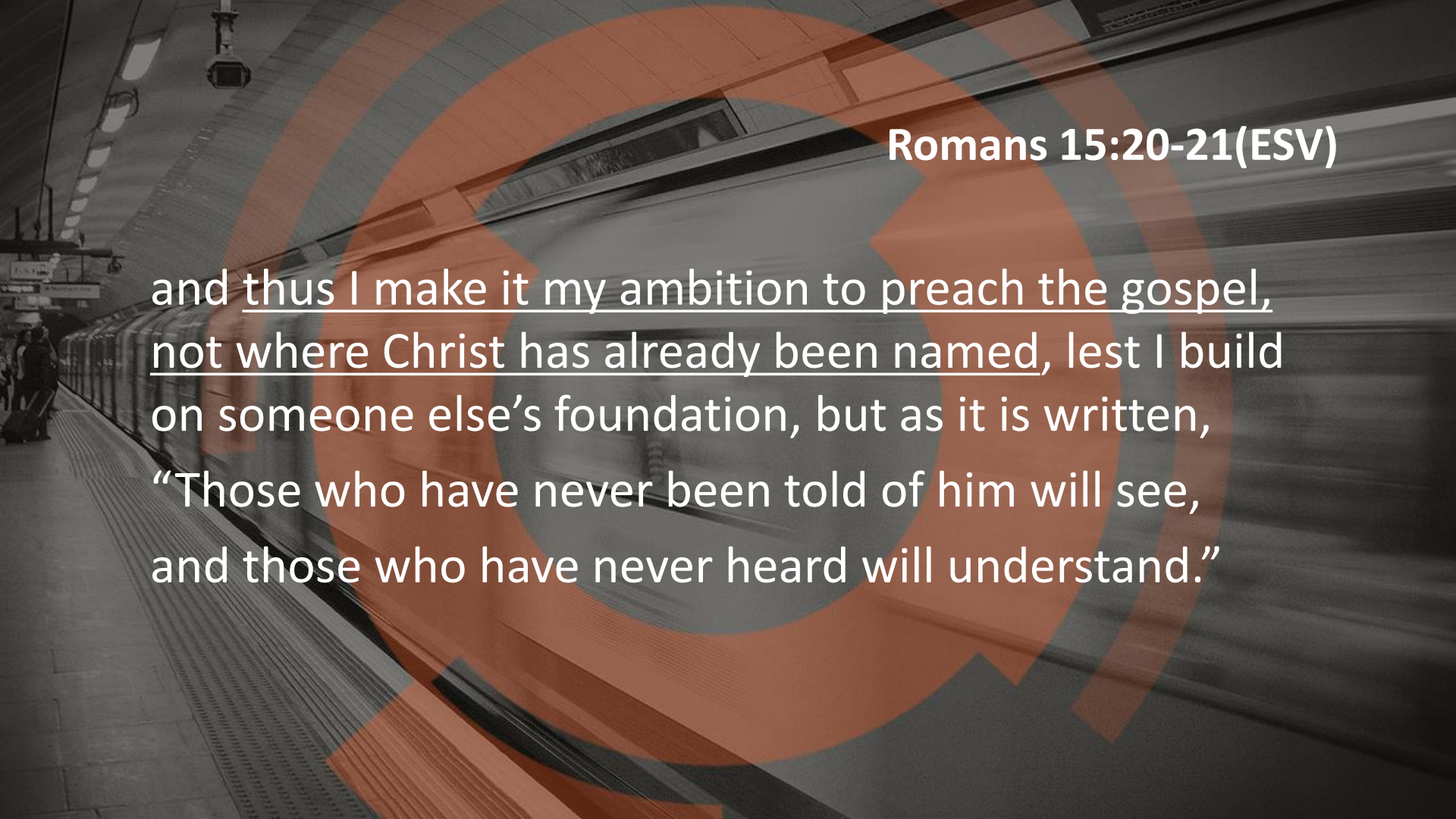
For I would have you know, brothers, that the gospel that was preached by me is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from any man, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it.



## Acts 13:1–2 (ESV)

Now there were in the church at Antioch prophets and teachers, Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen a lifelong friend of Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, “Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.” Then after fasting and praying they laid their hands on them and sent them off. ..

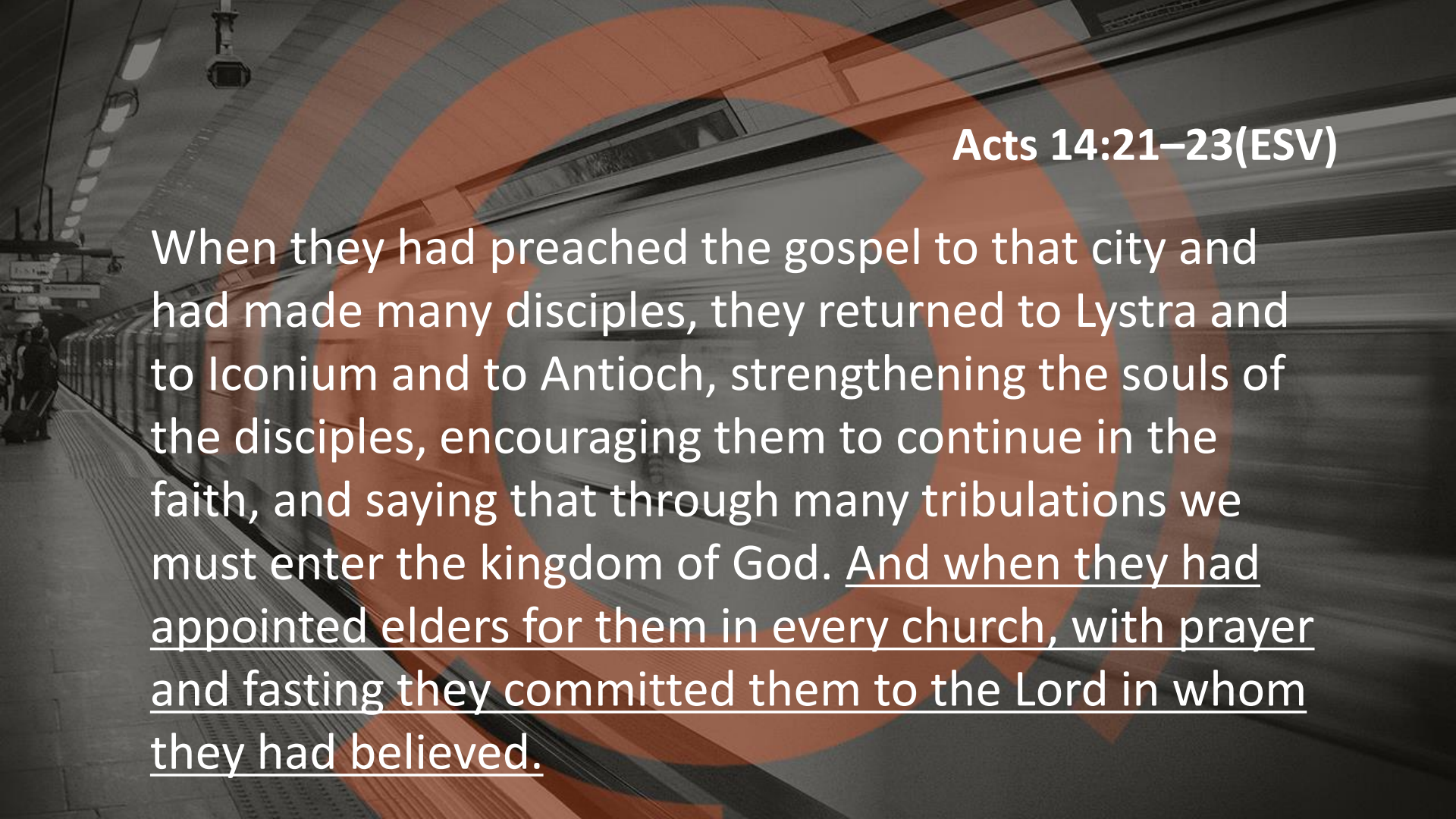




**Romans 15:20-21(ESV)**

and thus I make it my ambition to preach the gospel, not where Christ has already been named, lest I build on someone else's foundation, but as it is written, "Those who have never been told of him will see, and those who have never heard will understand."





## Acts 14:21–23(ESV)

When they had preached the gospel to that city and had made many disciples, they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch, strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and saying that through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God. And when they had appointed elders for them in every church, with prayer and fasting they committed them to the Lord in whom they had believed.

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**What is your dream?**





**Ephesians 4:11–13 (ESV)**

And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ,



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## Weekly small group notes from Sunday Sermon (Duration - 1 to 1.5hrs)

1. Welcome: Introduce SG to visitors and ask group to share on the following: Do you have a dream for the Bride of Christ (Church) and what does that look like?
2. Worship together: 1 or 2 Worship Songs / open SG in prayer asking the Father to give us His heart for His Church  
SG Questions: (let 2 or 3 people answer a specific question and give everyone a turn)
  - a) a God that leads us: Read Acts 2:17. From this scripture and the fact that God is coming back for a united, pure bride do you think God is wanting to lead His bride through His Spirit?
  - b) Void of the Spirit: Read Acts 7:58 to 8:3, Considering that Paul was well versed in the knowledge of scripture why was he persecuting the church?
  - c) Eyes opened to God's heart: Read Acts 9:1-6, Considering that God saw the persecution of the Church by Paul as personal, what should we conclude about God's stance towards His church today?
  - d) Revelation is to build: Read Galatians 1:11-13. When we receive revelation from God that is fresh does that make us indifferent to the church or should we use it to partner with and build the church as God leads?
  - e) A dream for His church. Read Romans 15:20-21. What is your dream/ambition for the church knowing that it is precious to God?
4. Turn together in groups of two and ask God if there is any offense in your heart towards His church that He wants you to let go of. Repent of the indifference and commit to Christ that you are available to Him to build His church through your gifting's – even if it is tough!