



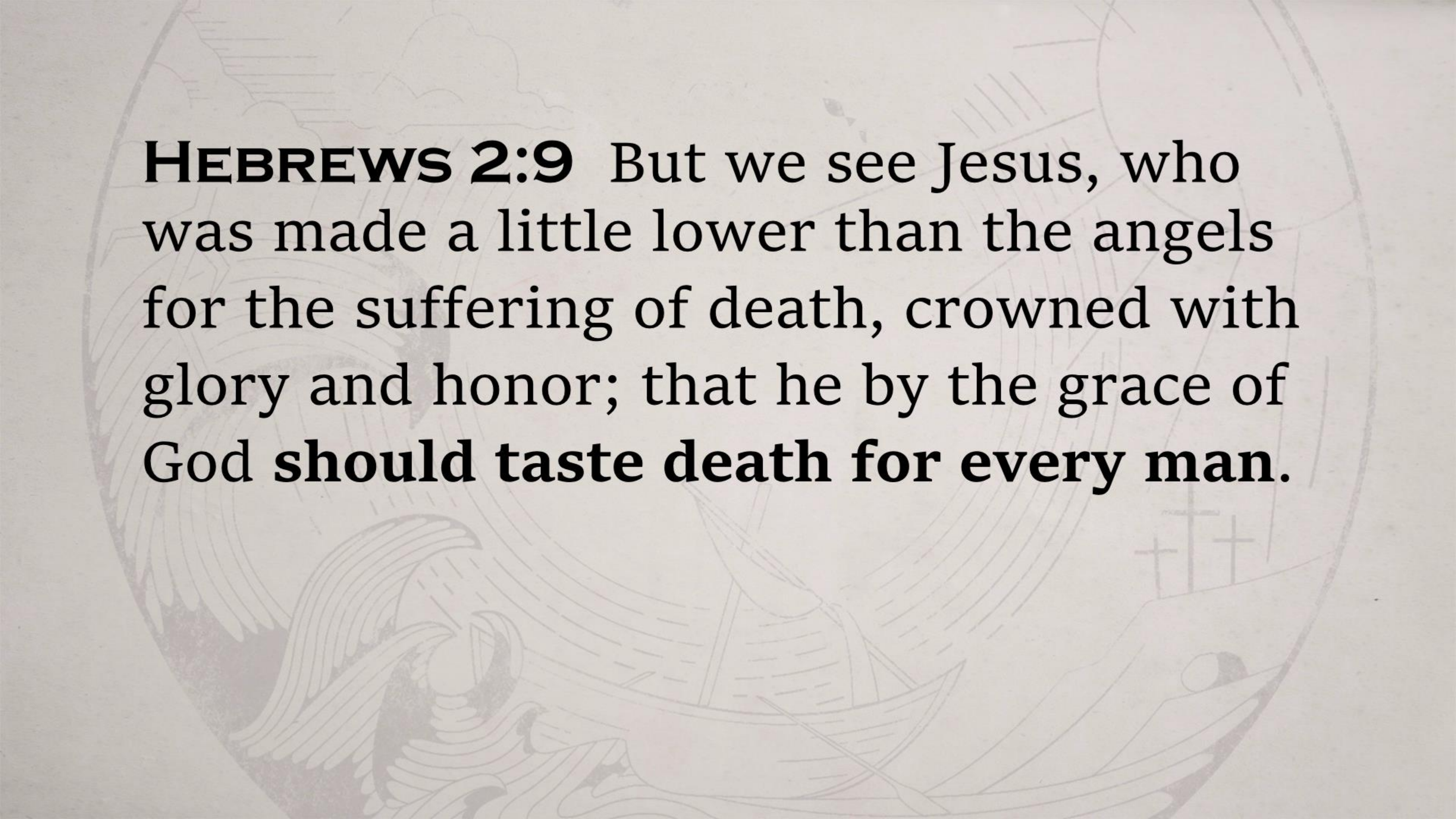
**MARK: GOSPEL TRUTH
FOR A GROWING CHAOS**

CRUCIFY HIM

MARK 15:17 And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his head,¹⁸ and began to salute him, Hail, King of the Jews!¹⁹ And they smote him on the head with a reed, and did spit upon him, and bowing their knees worshipped him.²⁰ And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple from him, and put his own clothes on him, and led him out to crucify him.

ISAIAH 53:10 Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise Him; He has put Him to grief. When You make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in His hand.¹¹ He shall see the labor of His soul, and be satisfied. **By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, for He shall bear their iniquities.**

HEBREWS 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who **for the joy that was set before him** endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.³For consider him that **endured such contradiction of sinners against himself,** lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.



HEBREWS 2:9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor; that he by the grace of God **should taste death for every man.**

HEBREWS 10:29 Of how much worse punishment, do you suppose, will he be thought worthy who has trampled the Son of God underfoot, counted the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified a common thing, and insulted the Spirit of grace?³⁰ For we know Him who said, “Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,” says the Lord. And again, “The LORD will judge His people.”³¹ It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

THE COWARDS

JOHN 19:8 When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid;

MARK 15:15 So Pilate, wanting to gratify the crowd, released Barabbas to them; and he delivered Jesus, after he had scourged Him, to be crucified.

THE CROWD

MARK 15:11 But the chief priests stirred up the crowd, so that he should rather release Barabbas to them.¹² Pilate answered and said to them again, “What then do you want me to do with Him whom you call the King of the Jews?”¹³ So they cried out again, “Crucify Him!”

THE CROWD

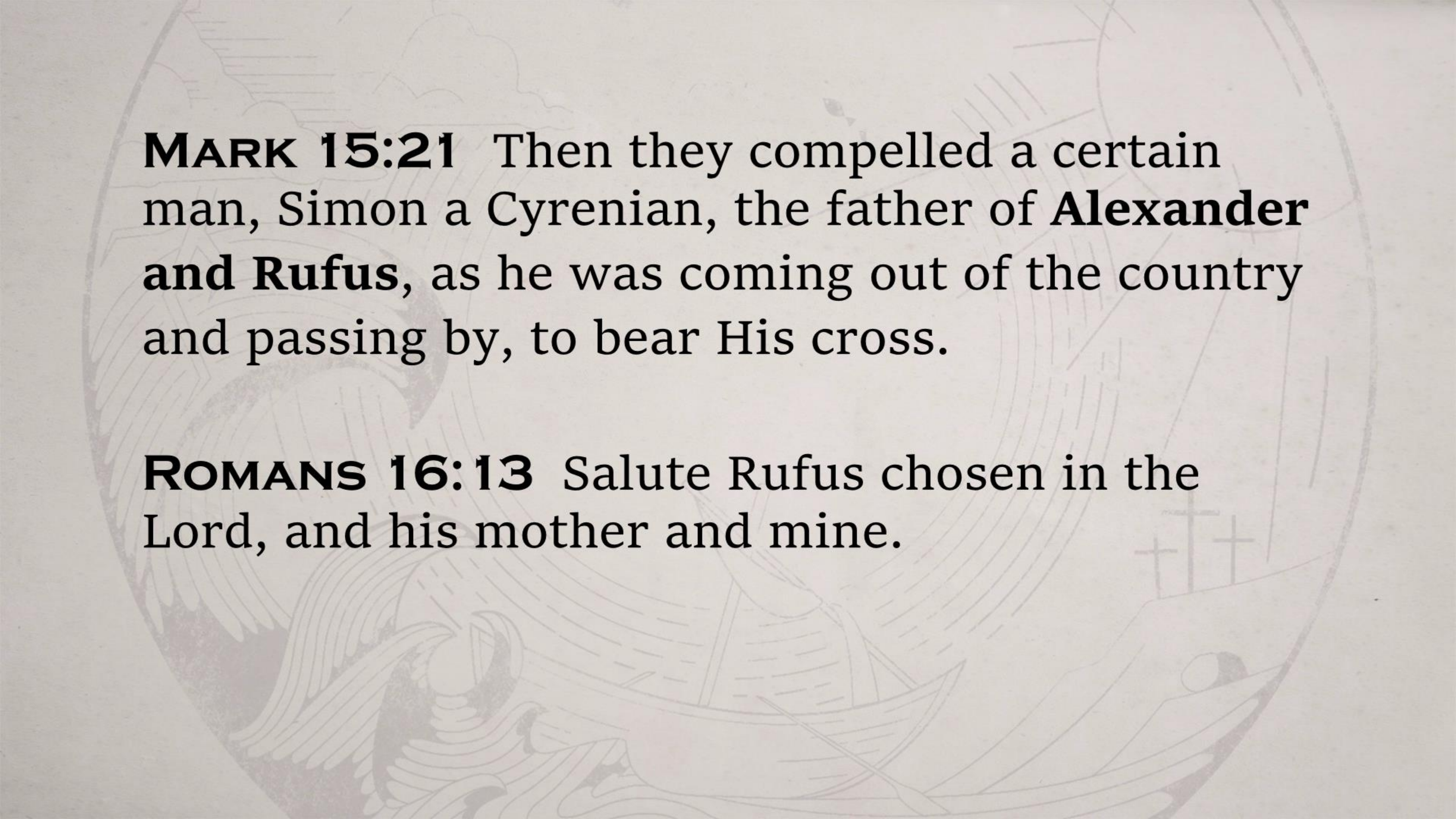
MATTHEW 27:24 When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it.²⁵ Then answered all the people, and said, **His blood be on us, and on our children.**

THE CRUEL

MARK 15:15 And so Pilate, willing to content the people, released Barabbas unto them, and delivered Jesus, when he had scourged him, to be crucified.¹⁶ And the soldiers led him away into the hall, called Praetorium; and they call together the whole band.¹⁷ And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his head,¹⁸ and began to salute him, Hail, King of the Jews!¹⁹ And they smote him on the head with a reed, and did spit upon him, and bowing their knees worshipped him.²⁰ And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple from him, and put his own clothes on him, and led him out to crucify him.

THE CASUAL

MARK 15:29 And those who passed by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads and saying, “Aha! You who destroy the temple and build it in three days,³⁰ save Yourself, and come down from the cross!”³¹ Likewise the chief priests also, mocking among themselves with the scribes, said, “He saved others; Himself He cannot save.³² Let the Christ, the King of Israel, descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe.” Even those who were crucified with Him reviled Him.



MARK 15:21 Then they compelled a certain man, Simon a Cyrenian, the father of **Alexander and Rufus**, as he was coming out of the country and passing by, to bear His cross.

ROMANS 16:13 Salute Rufus chosen in the Lord, and his mother and mine.