The Rise of PENTECOSTALISM



WHAT IS PENTECOSTALISM?

The belief that all New Testament spiritual gifts—including prophecy, healing, miracles, and speaking in tongues—continue to operate in the church today

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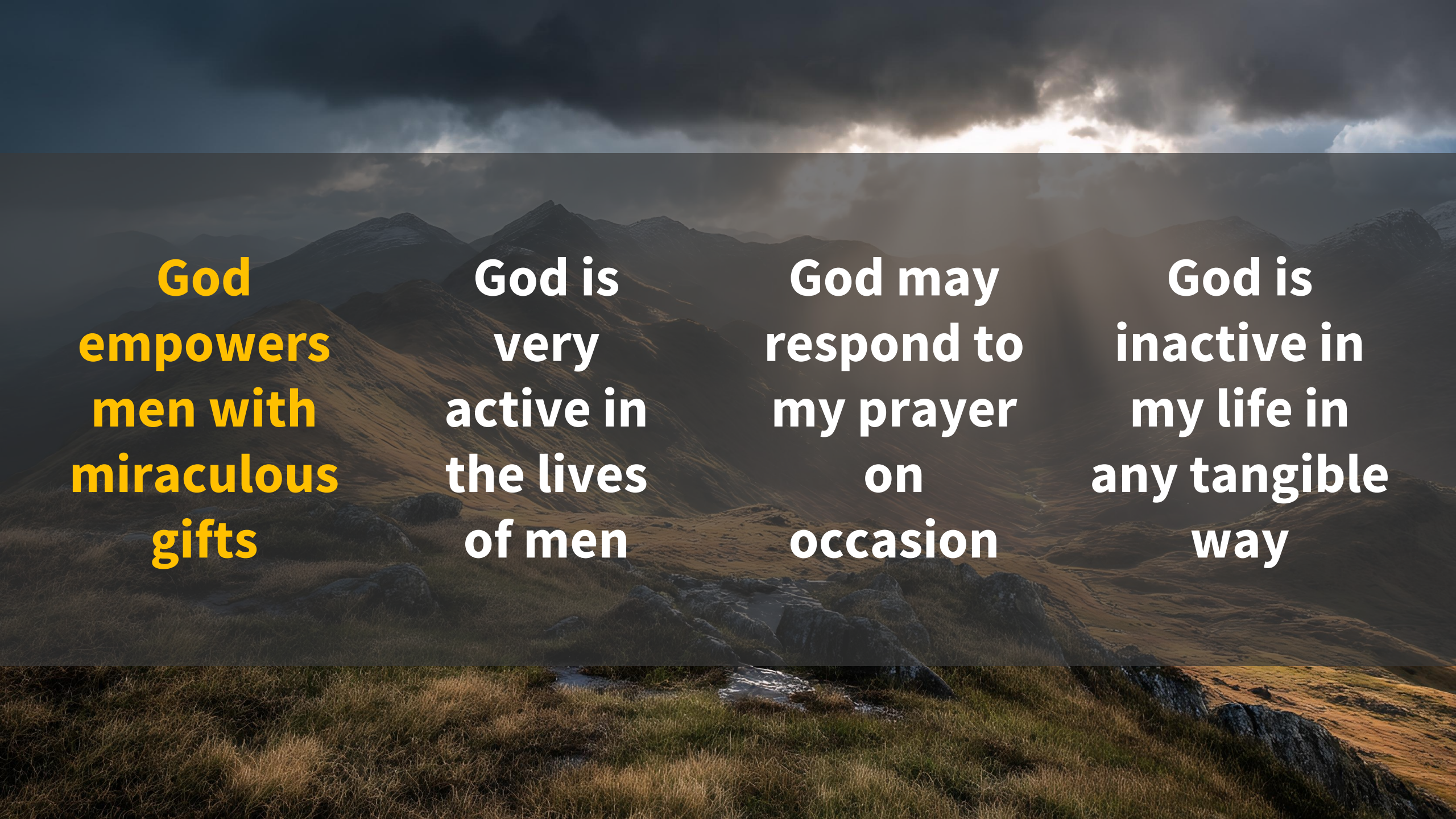
God still miraculously speaks to men today

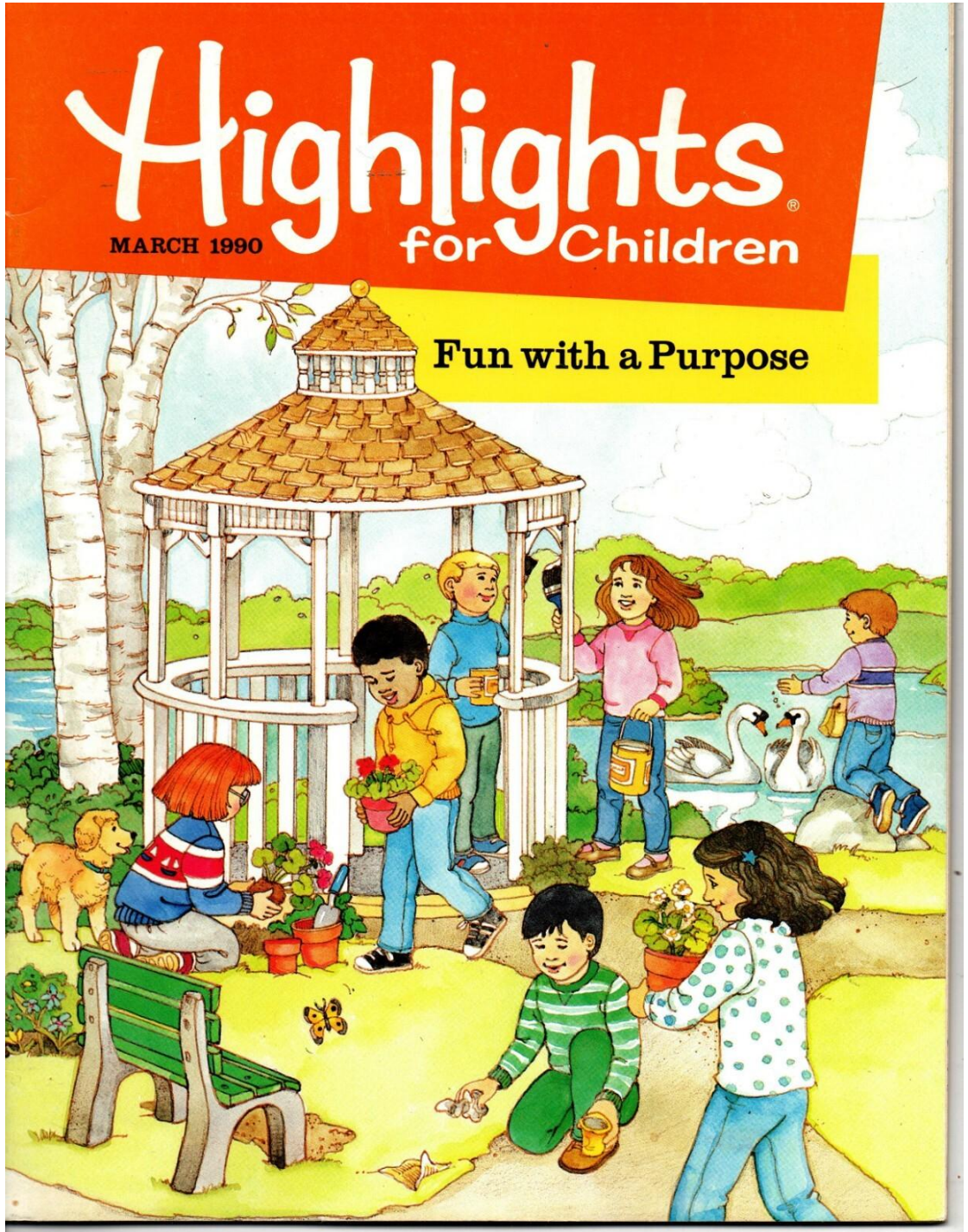
HEALING

God heals others through man's agency

TONGUES

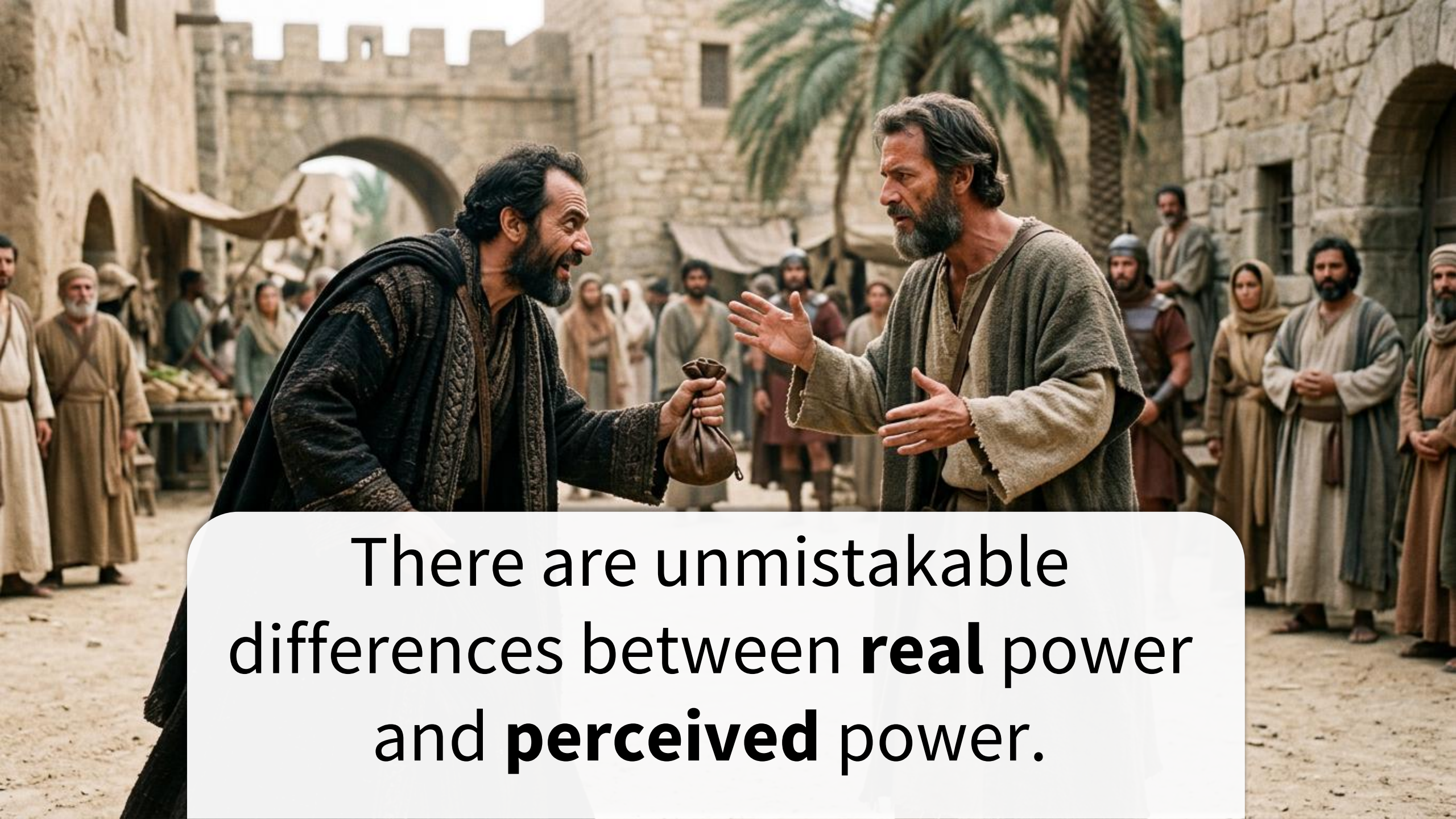
Men can speak in tongues through the Spirit


God empowers men with miraculous gifts
God is very active in the lives of men
God may respond to my prayer on occasion
God is inactive in my life in any tangible way

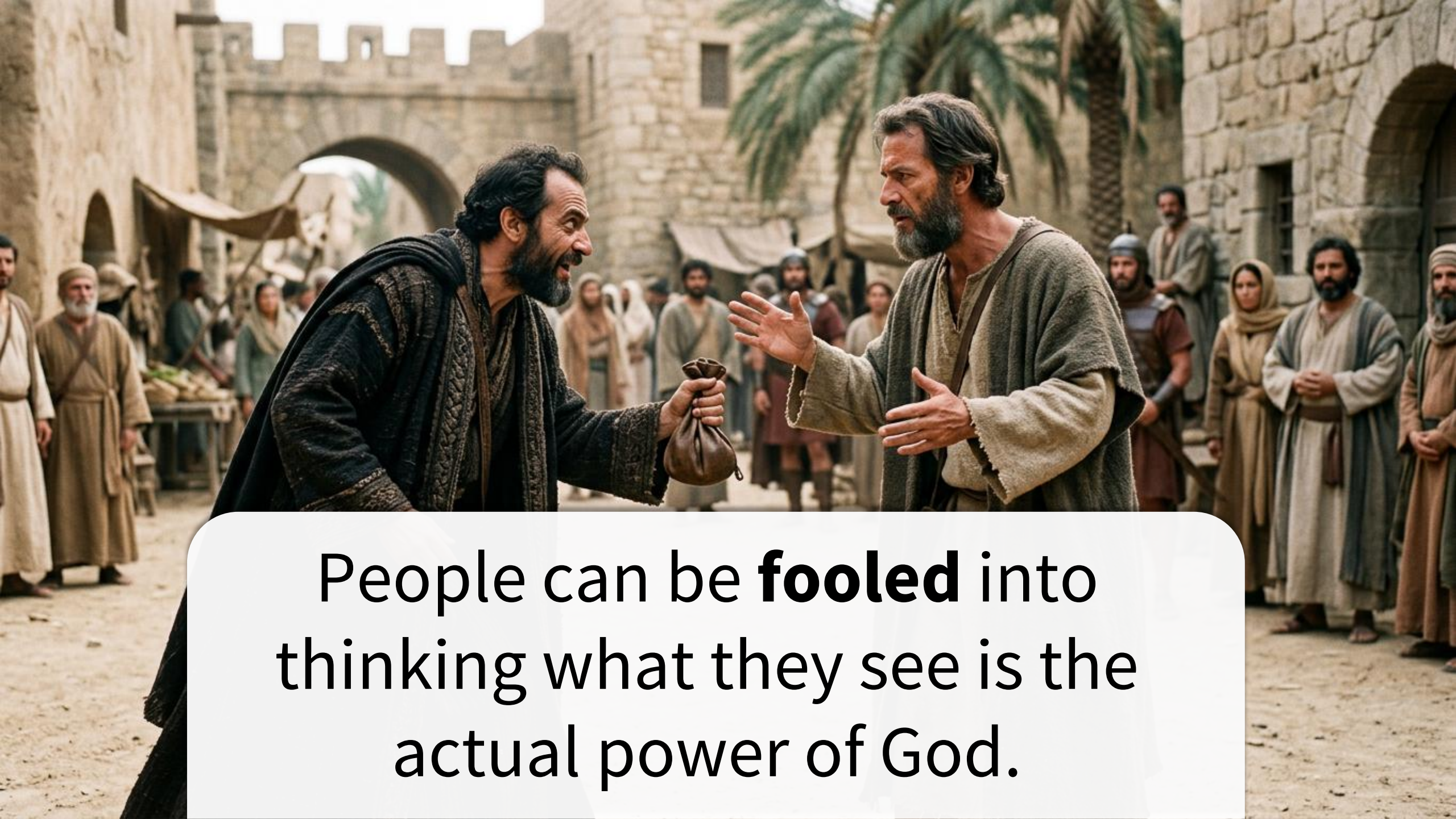

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There are unmistakable differences between **real** power and **perceived** power.



People can be **fooled** into thinking what they see is the actual power of God.

2nd Corinthians 12:12

The signs of a true apostle were performed among you with all perseverance, by signs and wonders and miracles.

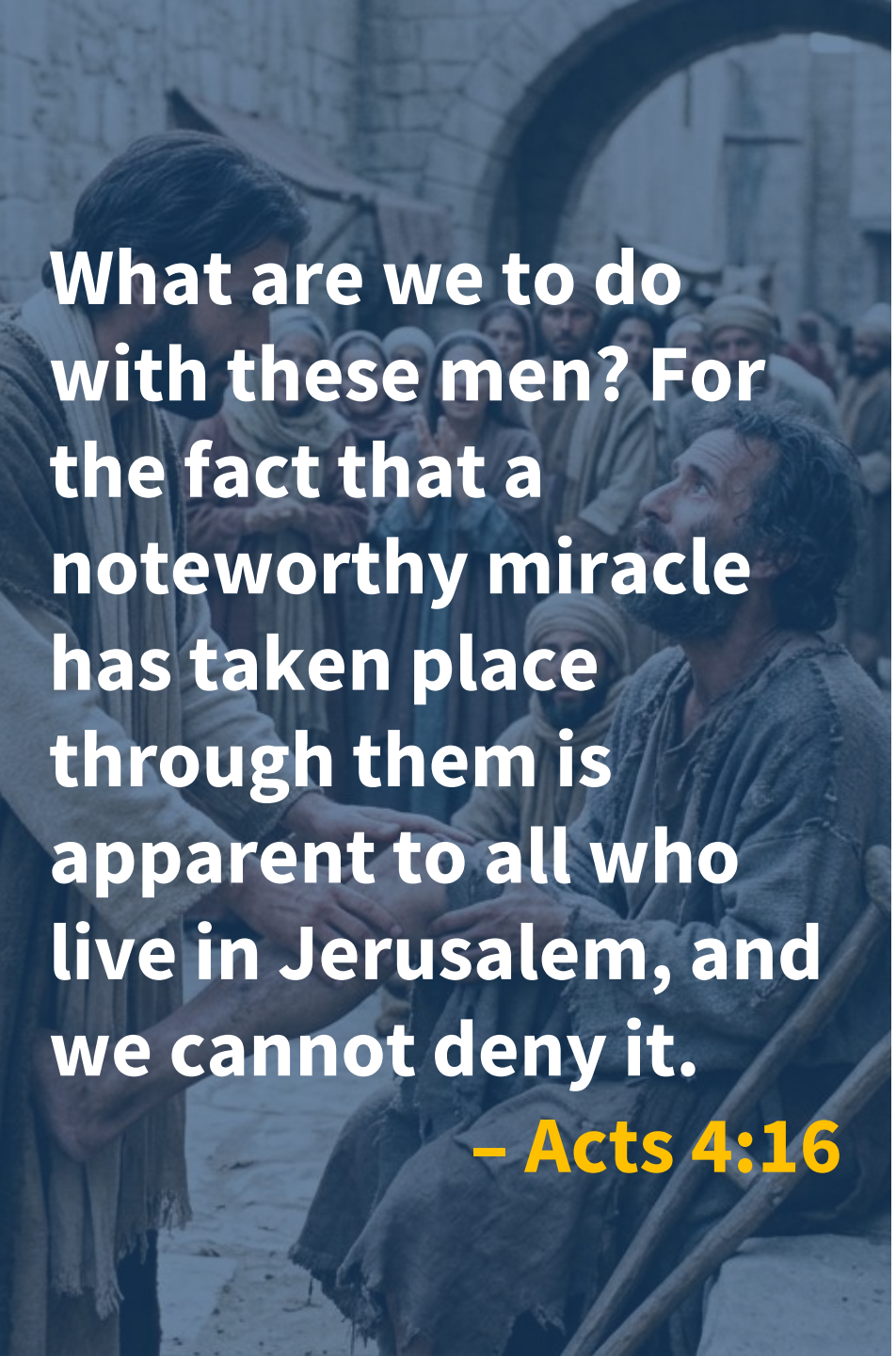
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Matthew 24:23-24

“Then if anyone says to you, ‘Behold, here is the Christ,’ or ‘There He is,’ do not believe him. “For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect.

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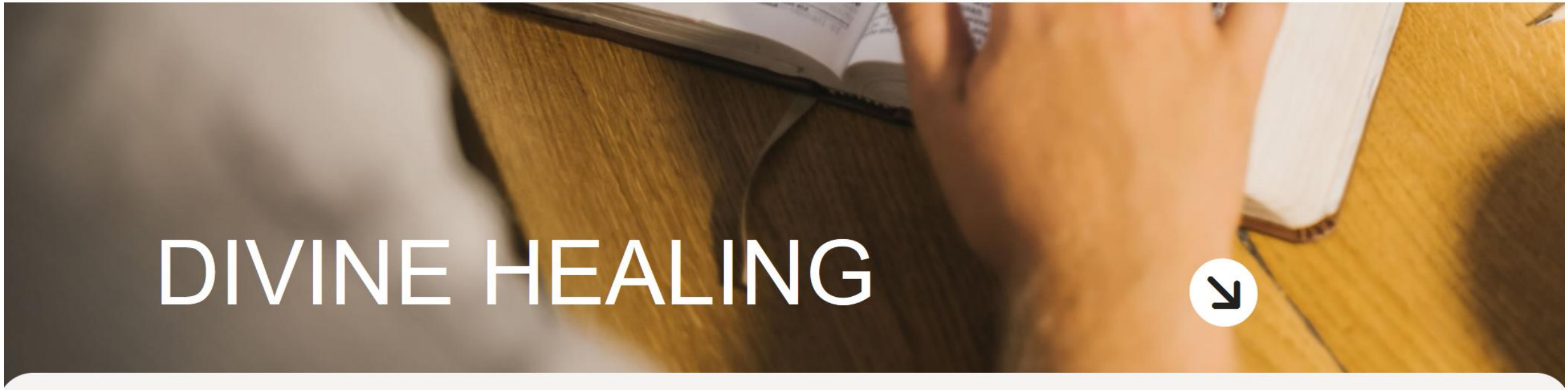
BIBLE MIRACLES (THROUGH MEN)

1. **Immediate – Acts 3:7**
   Unlike normal recovery from sickness, miracles required no time for their effect

2. **Always Worked – Acts 14:10**
   There was no doubt or attempt but rather a demonstration of clear power

3. **Visible, Credible – Matt. 9:6**
   Real, visible things were cure, even up to the raising of the dead in front of people


FAITH,
HEALING,
JESUS



DIVINE HEALING

POSITION PAPER ON DIVINE HEALING

(Adopted by the General Presbytery in session August 9-11, 2010)

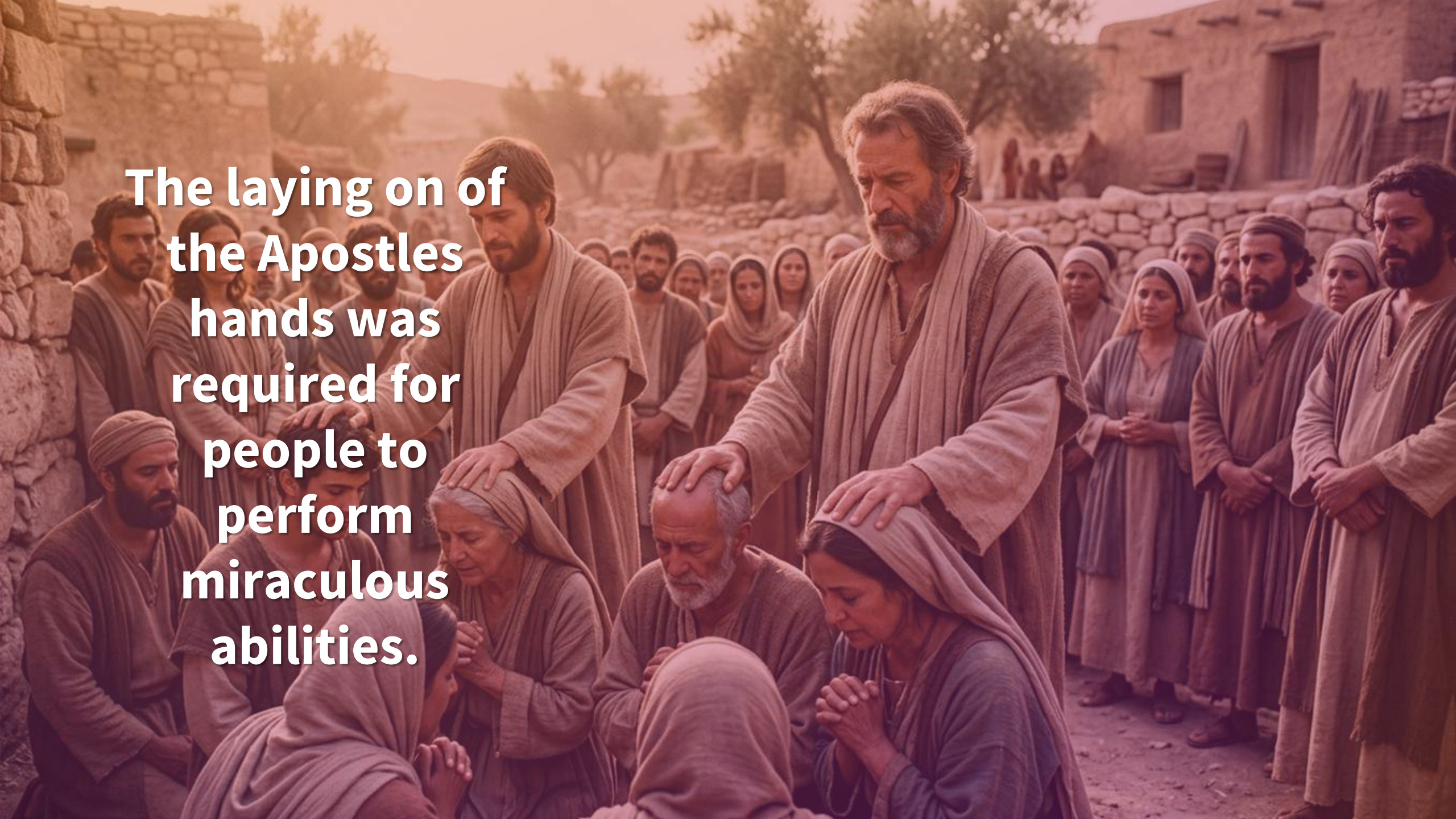
From its inception the General Council of the Assemblies of God has recognized divine healing for the whole person as an important part of the gospel, the good news, which Jesus commissioned His disciples to proclaim. The Assemblies of God constitution in its Statement of Fundamental Truths, section 12, states, “Divine healing is an integral part of the gospel. Deliverance from sickness is provided for in the Atonement, and is the privilege of all believers (Isaiah 53:4,5; Matthew 8:16,17; James 5:14–16).”[1]

Though it is impossible in a brief paper to cover all the implications of this statement or answer all the questions that are raised concerning it, we shall attempt to show that the statement is scripturally sound.

IV. Divine Healing Will Be Fully Realized When Jesus Returns

We are living at present between the first and second appearances of Jesus Christ. At His first coming He provided, through His life, death, and resurrection, atonement for sin and its consequences. In this era divine healing, a gift of God's grace, is seen as a proleptic expression of the complete redemption of the human body. At His second coming what was begun will be brought to completion—salvation from sin and all its effects will be realized. In this period of the "already and not yet" some are healed instantly, some gradually, and others are not healed.

> "We do not understand fully why some are healed and others are not..."


The laying on of the Apostles hands was required for people to perform miraculous abilities.

James 5:14-16

Is anyone among you sick? Then he must call for the elders of the church and they are to pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and **the prayer offered in faith will restore the one who is sick**, and the Lord will raise him up, and if he has committed sins, they will be forgiven him. Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.

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my lack of ability
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