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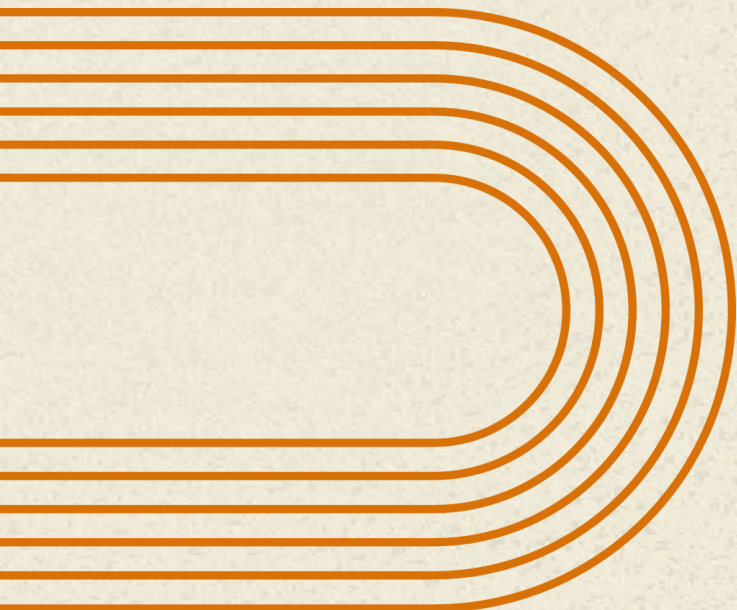
*“The Greater Work” in the Fight Against
Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking*

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-Global Slavery Index

**There are an estimated 49.6 million
people living in slavery today.**



Profiles of detected victims

38% *children*

22% *girls*

16% *boys*

62% *adults*

39% *women*

23% *men*

Forms of exploitation of detected victims

42%



are trafficked for forced labour

47% *men*

23% *women*

20% *boys*

10% *girls*

36%



are trafficked for sexual exploitation

64% *women*

28% *girls*

3% *boys*

3% *men*

8% *are trafficked for forced criminality*

8% *are trafficked for mixed forms of exploitation*

4% *are trafficked for other purposes*

1% *are trafficked for forced begging*

1% *are trafficked for forced marriages*

Profiles of detected traffickers

70%



of traffickers convicted are men

28%



of traffickers convicted are women

74%


of traffickers operate within business or governance-type organized crime groups

26%

of traffickers operate individually or in association with others, but not acting in concert.

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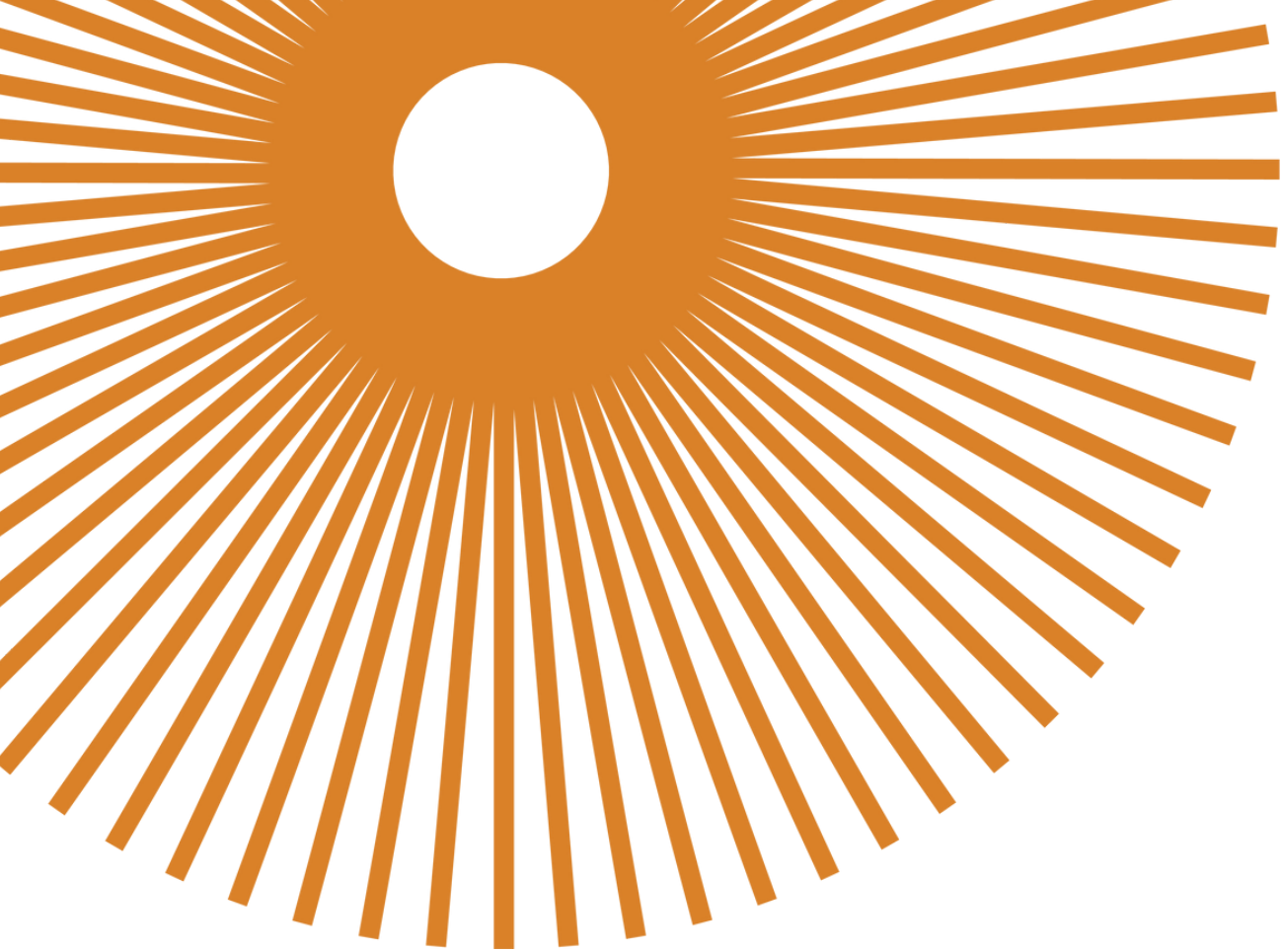




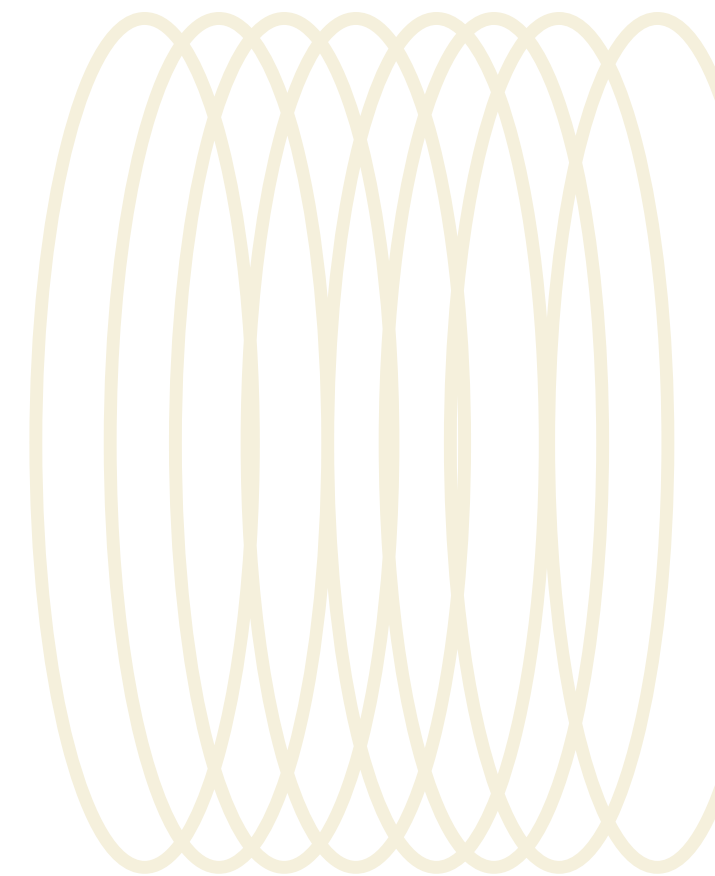
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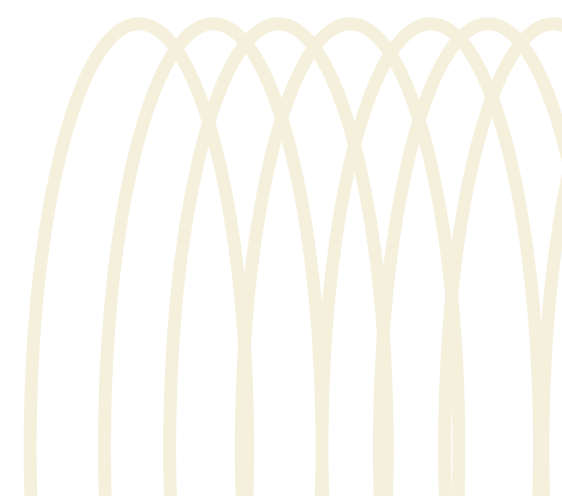
We're not fighting a war against flesh and blood enemies, so our response cannot only be flesh and blood and engagement.







*“Prayer does not fit us for the greater
works; prayer is the greater work.”*

Oswald Chambers





Put on all of God's armour so
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the devil.

Ephesians 6:11





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Key Takeaway



Seek Seek through prayer to align yourself with the will of God and call that into being.



*“He has sent me to proclaim freedom for
the captives and release from darkness for
the prisoners.”
(Luke 4:18)*



**Lord, we proclaim freedom for the captive
(physical, psychological, spiritual). We
pray for release from darkness, deception,
and control.**







*“The Lord is close to the brokenhearted
and saves those who are crushed in spirit.”
(Psalm 34:18)*



**Lord, be near to those crushed by the
trauma of trafficking (Names or people
groups). Save them from despair and
comfort their heartache.**







*“The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness has not overcome it.”
(John 1:5)*



**God, would you shine into the darkest
places where trafficking thrives in our
world and in the hearts of man (Name
countries, systems or people). Let Your
light overcome this darkness.**







*“For there is nothing concealed that will not
be disclosed,
or hidden that will not be made known.”
(Luke 12:2)*



**God of truth, expose what is hidden.
Bring trafficking networks, deception,
and abuse into the light, so rescue and
justice can come.**







*“I will restore to you the years
that the locust has eaten.”*
(Joel 2:25)



God, would you restore. Would you redeem
what has been stolen from survivors (Name
them). Would you restore their lost years,
their dignity, their hope. (What else?)





*“For I know the plans I have for you,”
declares the Lord,
“plans to prosper you and not to harm you,
plans to give you hope and a future.”
(Jeremiah 29:11)*

**God, you know your people, we speak
over them your plans of freedom, of
redemption, of good and not harm.
Would you replace the harm with healing.
Would you replace despair with hope.**





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Psalm 23 Verse

Prayer

**9) Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,**

You are a God who sees the unseen.
You hear the cries of the oppressed.

You have proven yourself faithful

**10) your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

Let Your kingdom come where greed and exploitation rule on this earth.
Let Your will interrupt every system that profits from the suffering of others.

11) Give us today our daily bread.

God, would you provide safety and pathways out for those being trafficked.
Would you sustain and provide resources for service providers.

Where perpetrators are driven by fear or hardened hearts, would you remove what feeds their destruction and lead them toward repentance.

**12) And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.**

Forgive us, Lord, where we have been unaware, indifferent, or silent in the face of injustice. Help us to see. Soften our hearts to forgive and to act with compassion toward your people

**13) And lead us not into temptation,^[a]
but deliver us from the evil one**

We ask that you would guard our hearts from the temptations of complacency and fear. And protect the vulnerable from deception and harm.



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Key Takeaway

Stand Stand firm as the Holy Spirit equips you to stay alert and remain steadfast.



Colossians 1:15-18



Christ is the visible image of the invisible God.

He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation,

¹⁶ for through him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth.

He made the things we can see

and the things we can't see—

such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world.

Everything was created through him and for him.

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and he holds all creation together.

¹⁸ Christ is also the head of the church, which is his body.

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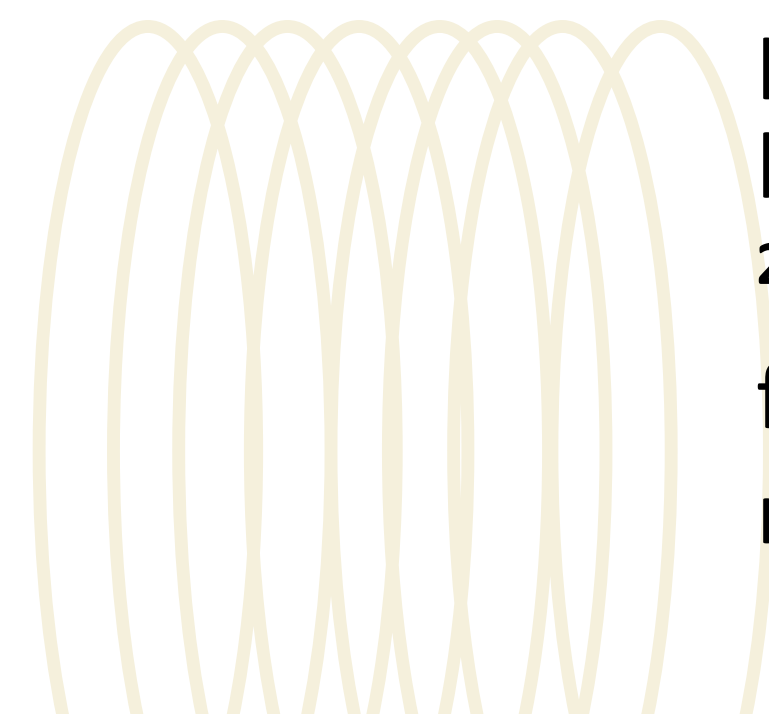
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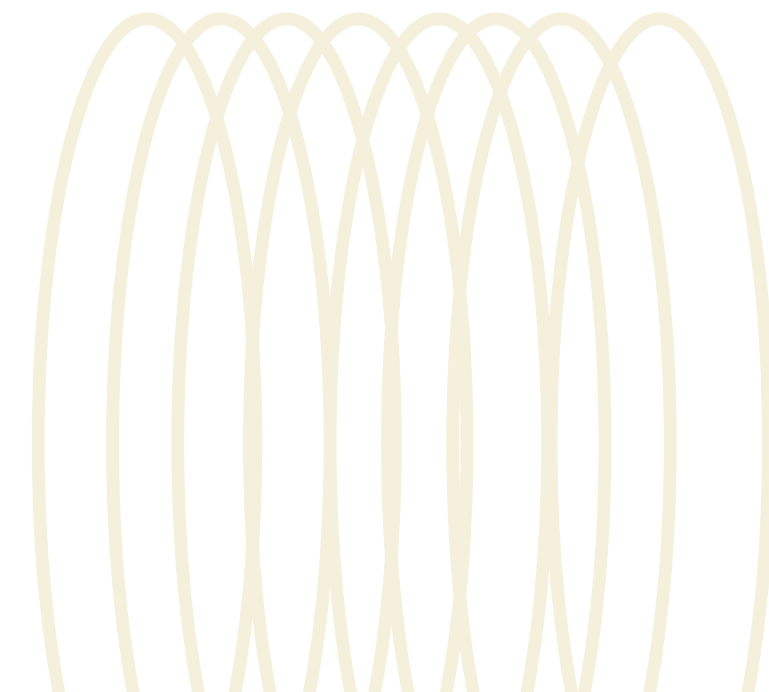
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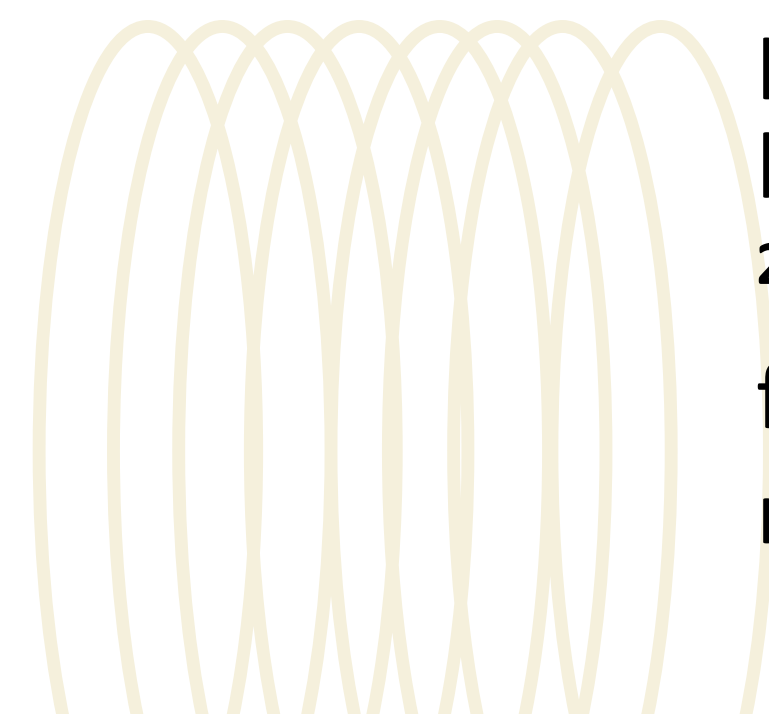
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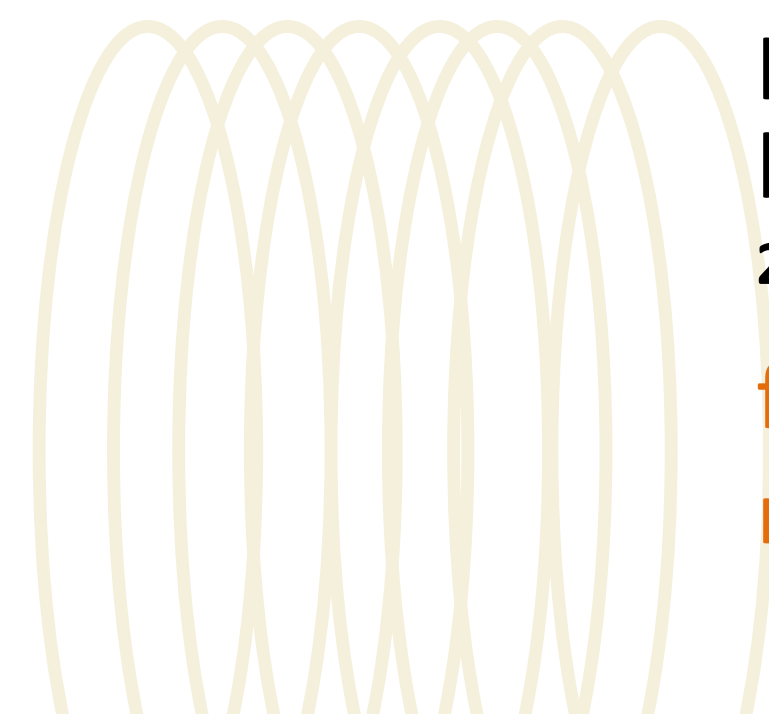
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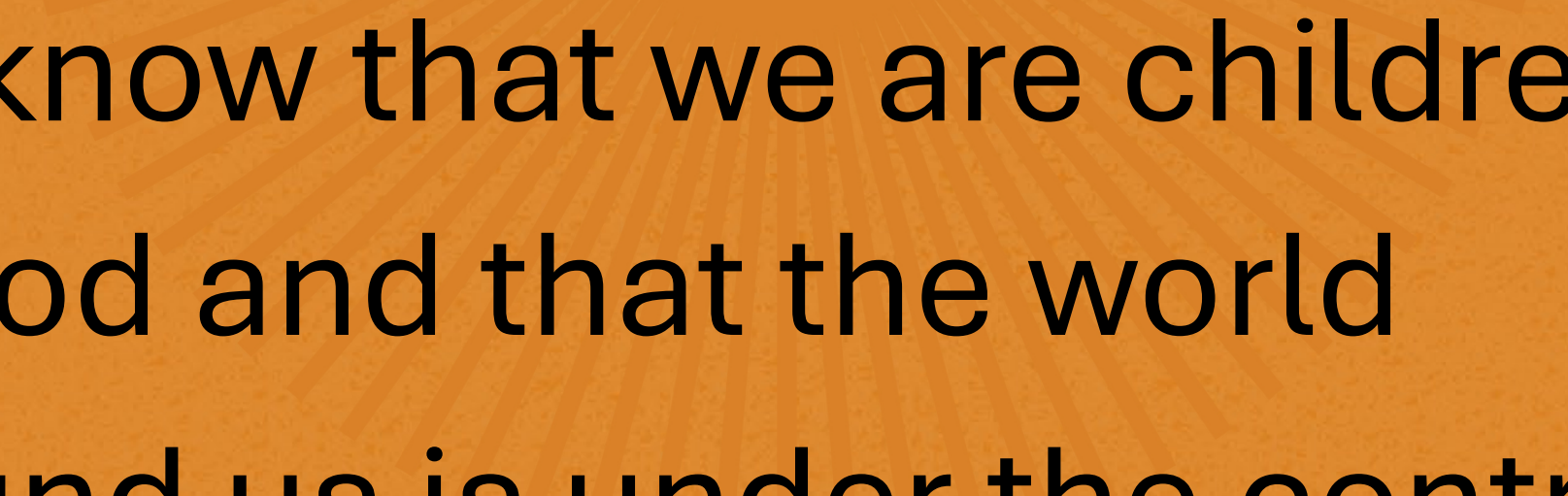

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on every occasion. Stay alert and
be persistent in your prayers.

Ephesians 6:18



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We know that we are children
of God and that the world
around us is under the control
of the evil one.

1 John 5:19

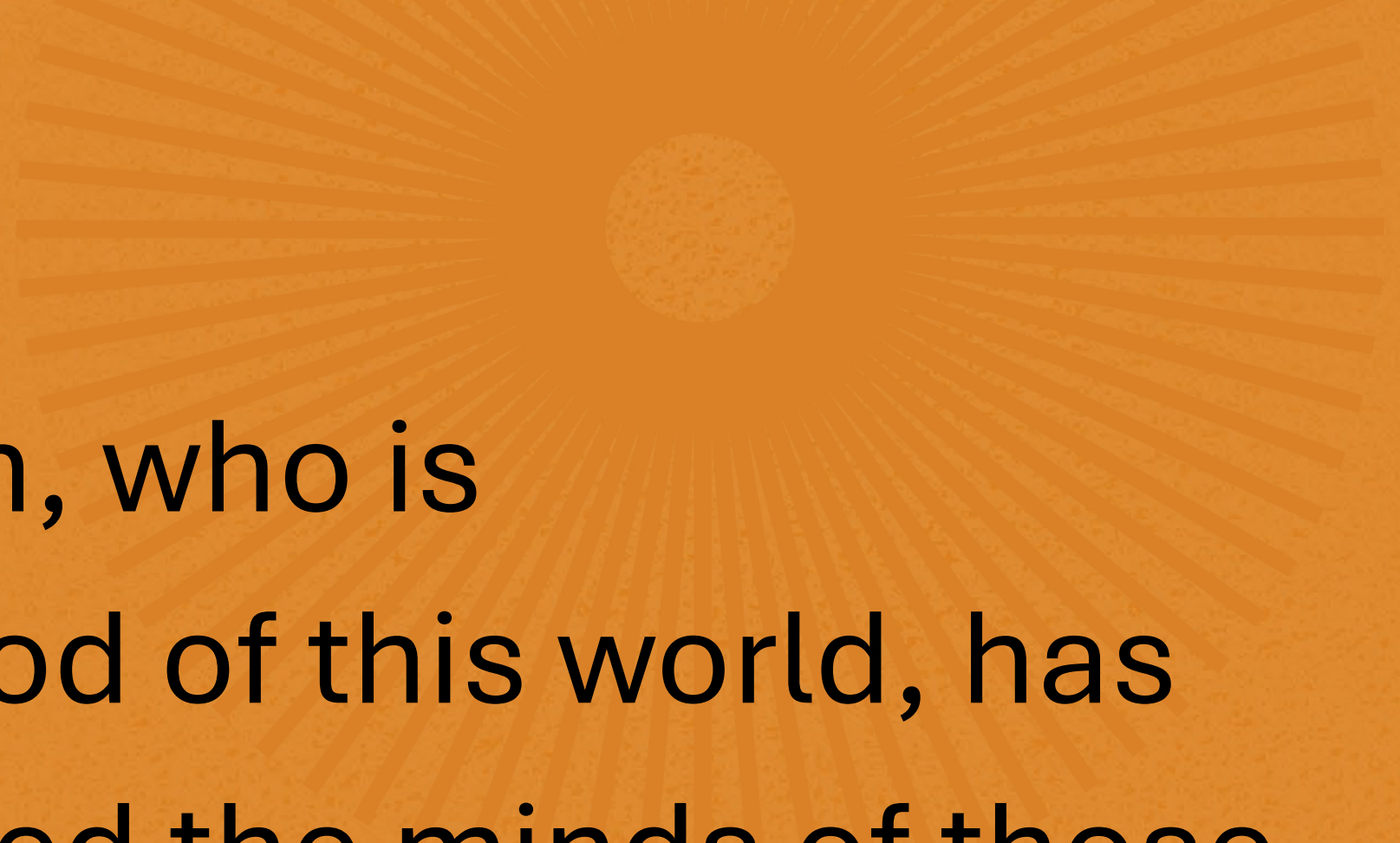





Stay alert! Watch out for your
great enemy, the devil.
He prowls around like a roaring
lion, looking for someone to
devour.

1 Peter 5:8






Satan, who is
the god of this world, has
blinded the minds of those
who don't believe.

2 Corinthians 4:4






He has disarmed the powers
and authorities, he made a
public spectacle of them,
triumphing over them by the
cross.

Colossians 2:15






He will wipe every tear from
their eyes. There will
be no more death' or mourning
or crying or pain, for the old
order of things has passed
away.

Revelations 21:4





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