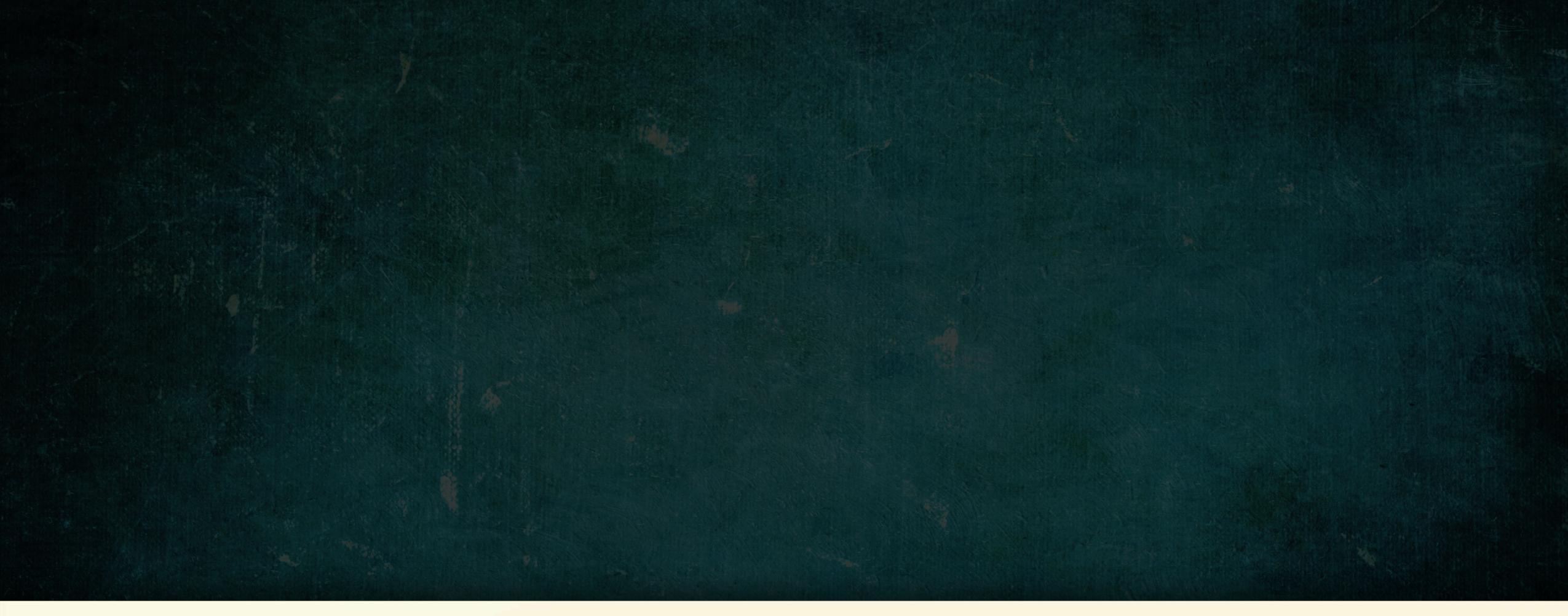


A very extraordinary chapter this sixteenth of Ezekiel! A minister could scarcely read it in public: he certainly would not like to explain its metaphors to a general audience.

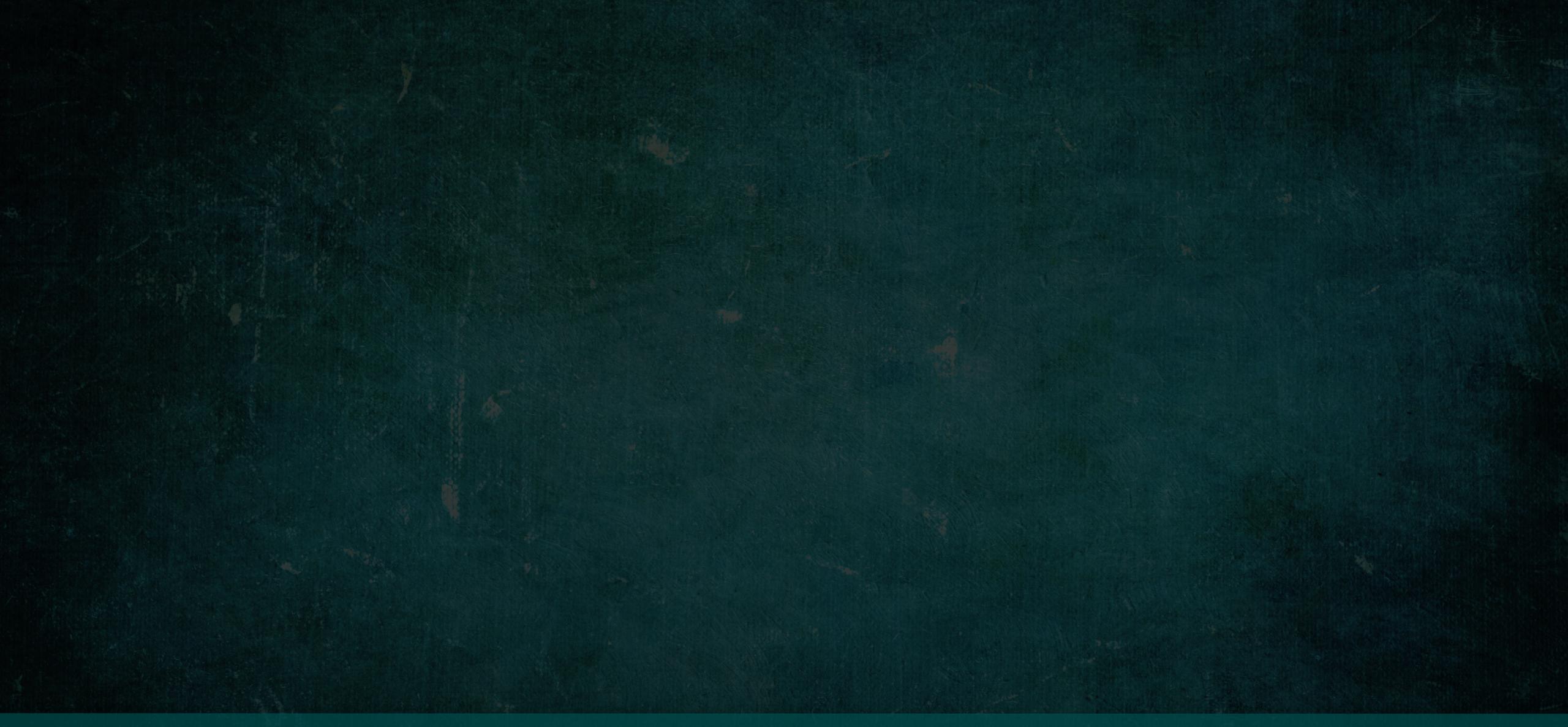
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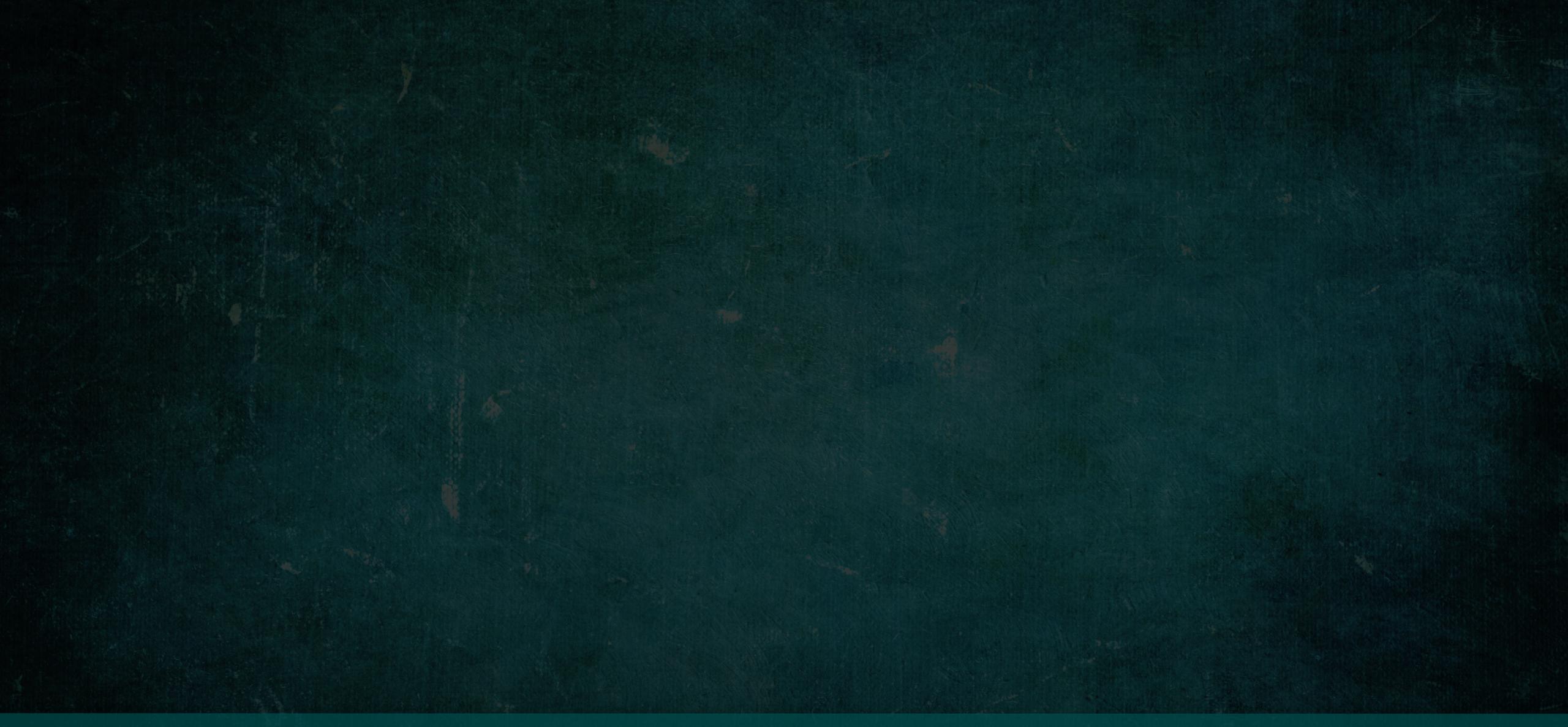
This chapter is by far the longest prophetic message in the Book of Ezekiel, the longest single oracle in the Old Testament, and the longest single allegory in the entire Bible.

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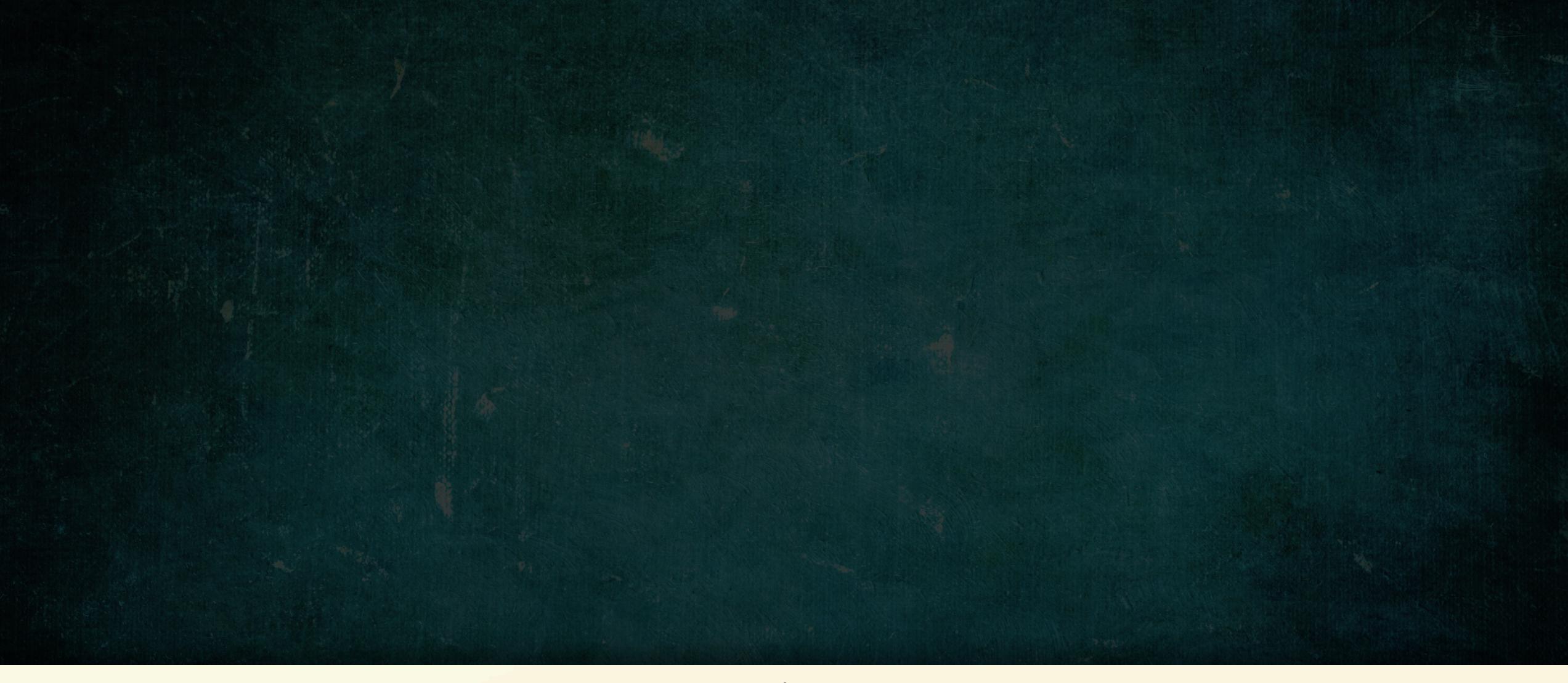




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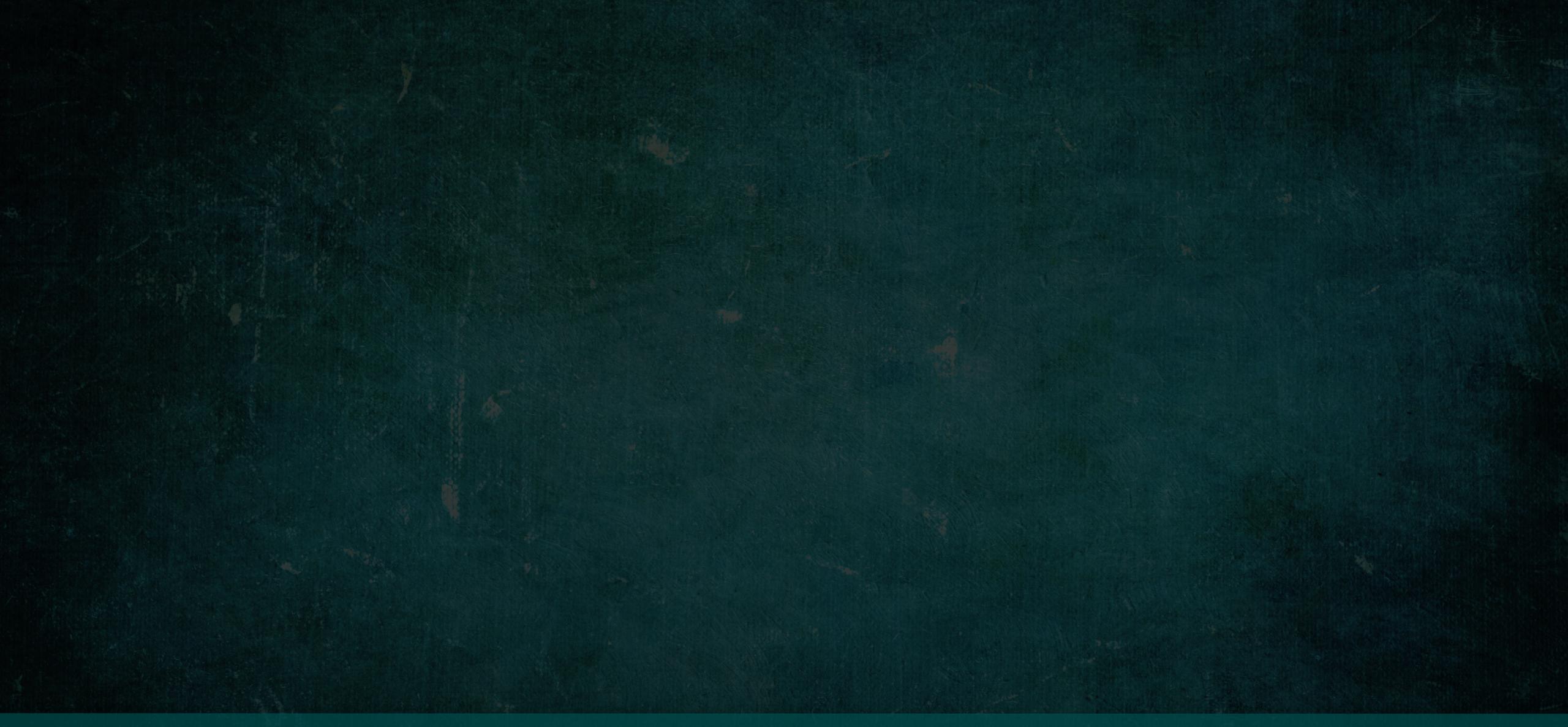


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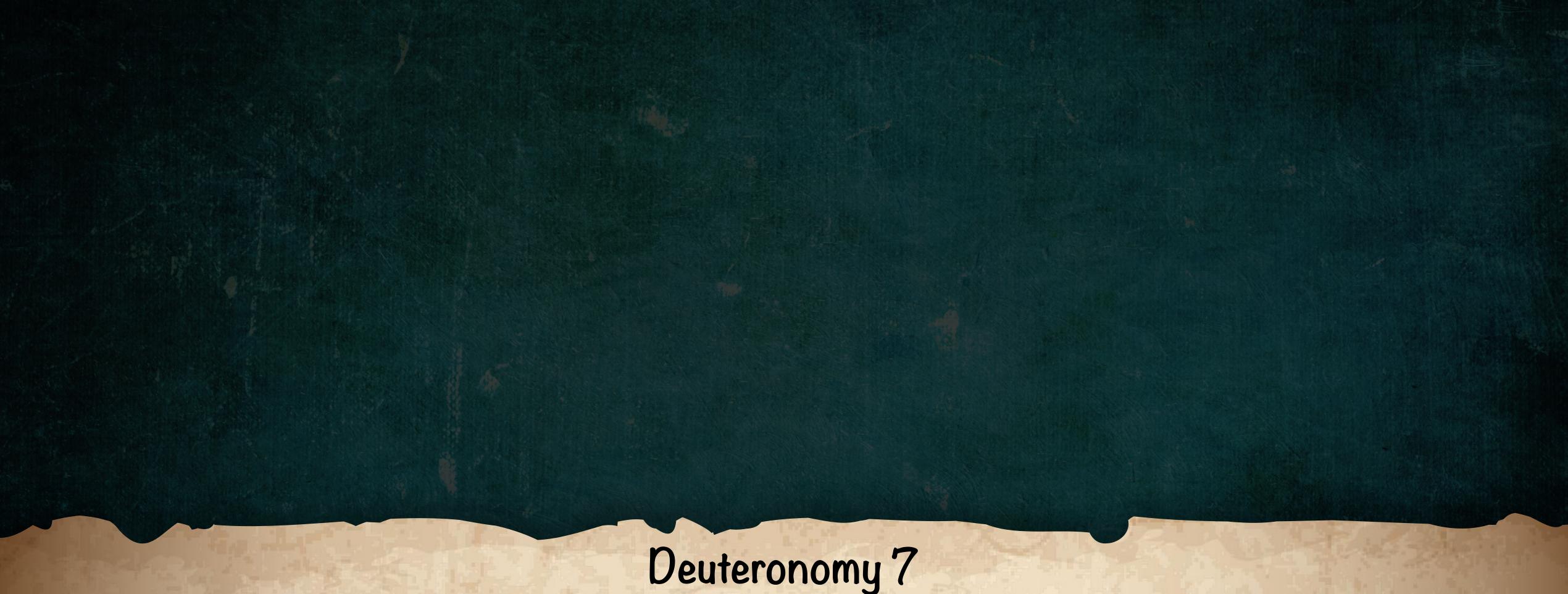


For God to paint a bleaker picture of Israel's beginnings would be difficult to imagine. He is intentionally stressing, No one wanted you!

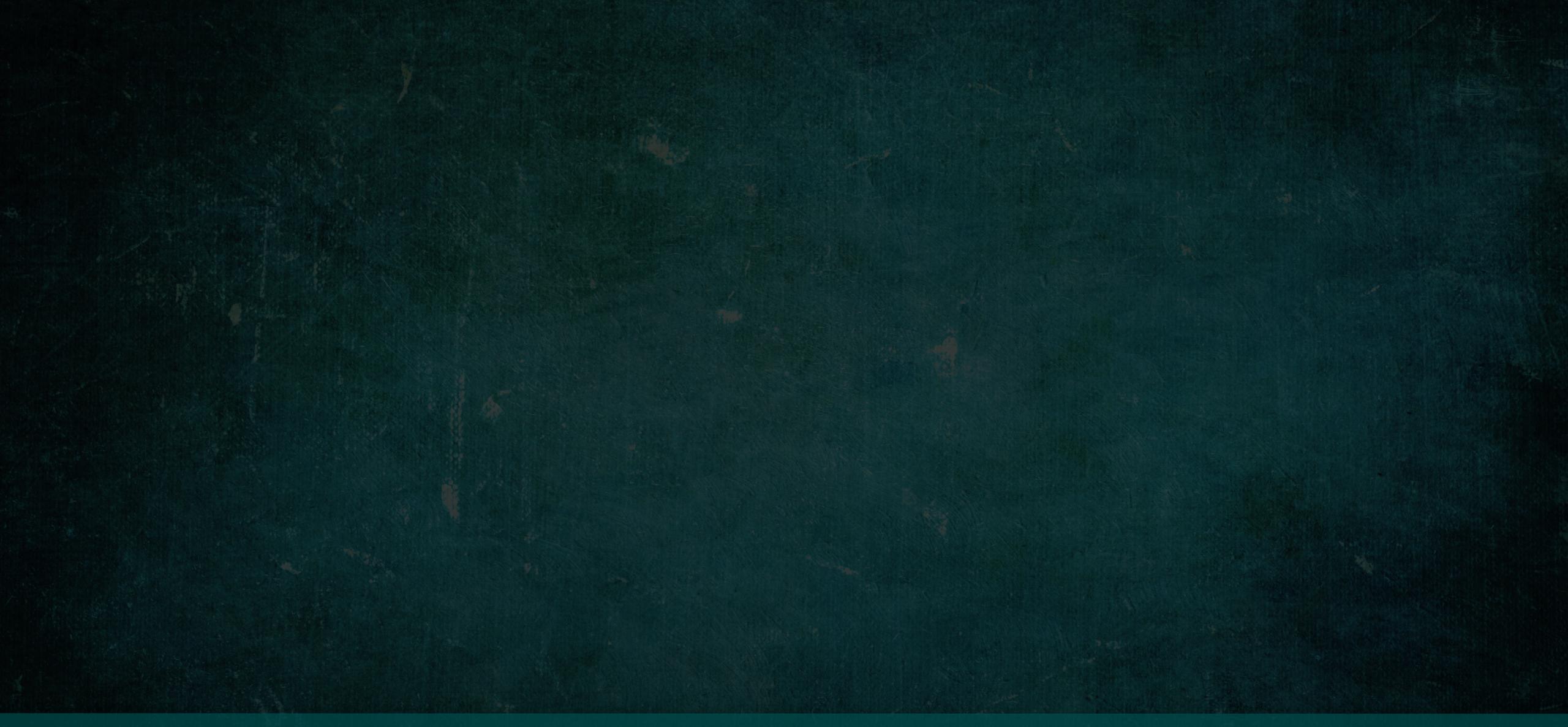
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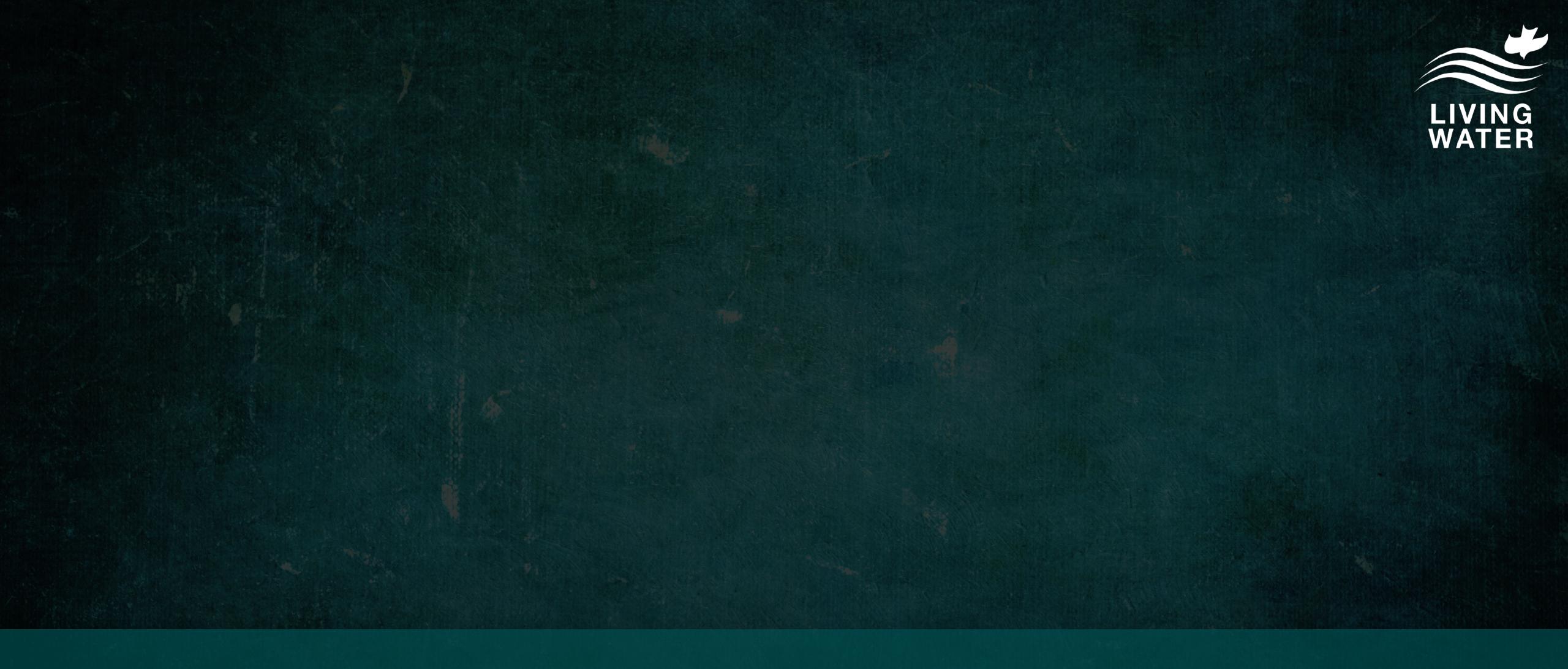
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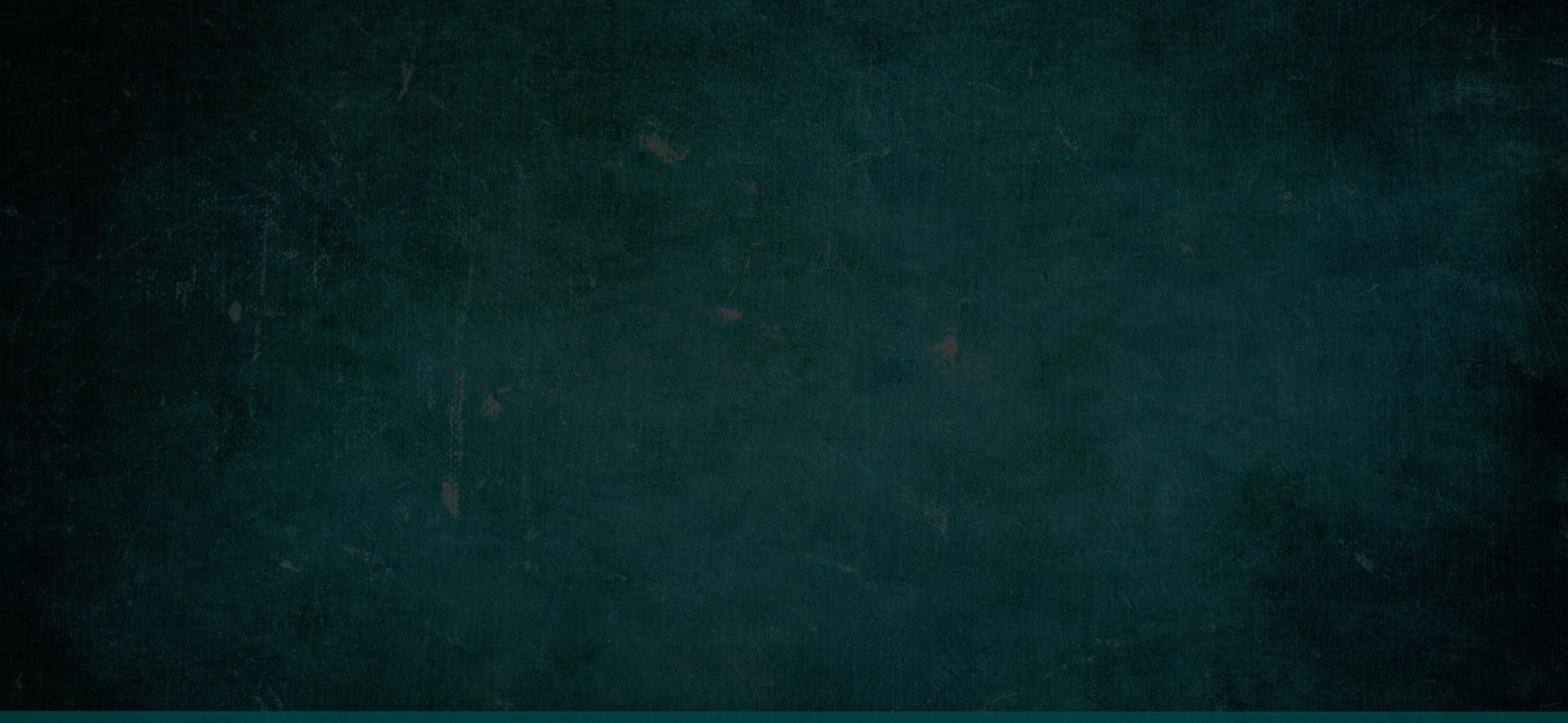
7 The Lord did not set His love on you nor choose you because you were more in number than any other people, for you were the least of all peoples; 8 but because the Lord loves you, and because He would keep the oath which He swore to your fathers, the Lord has brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you from the house of bondage, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.



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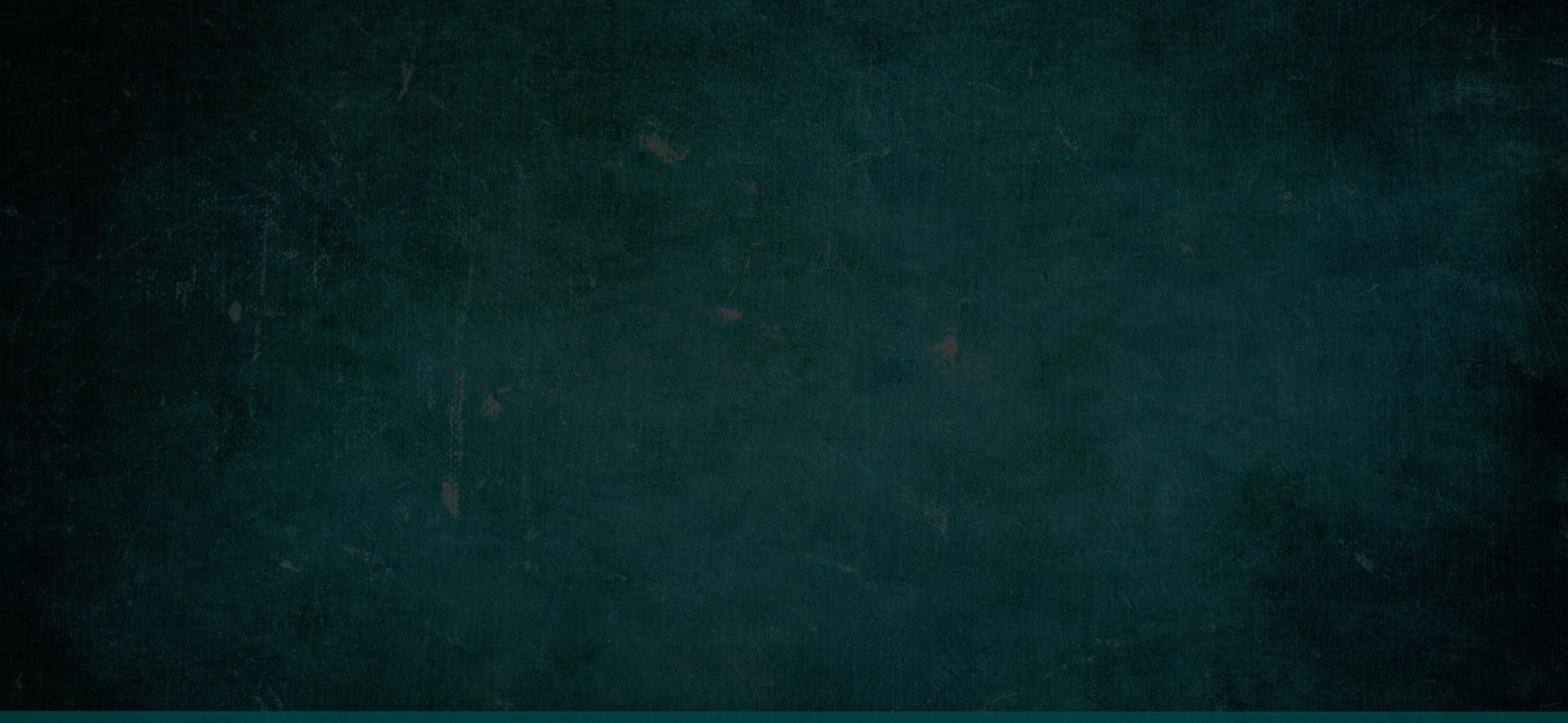


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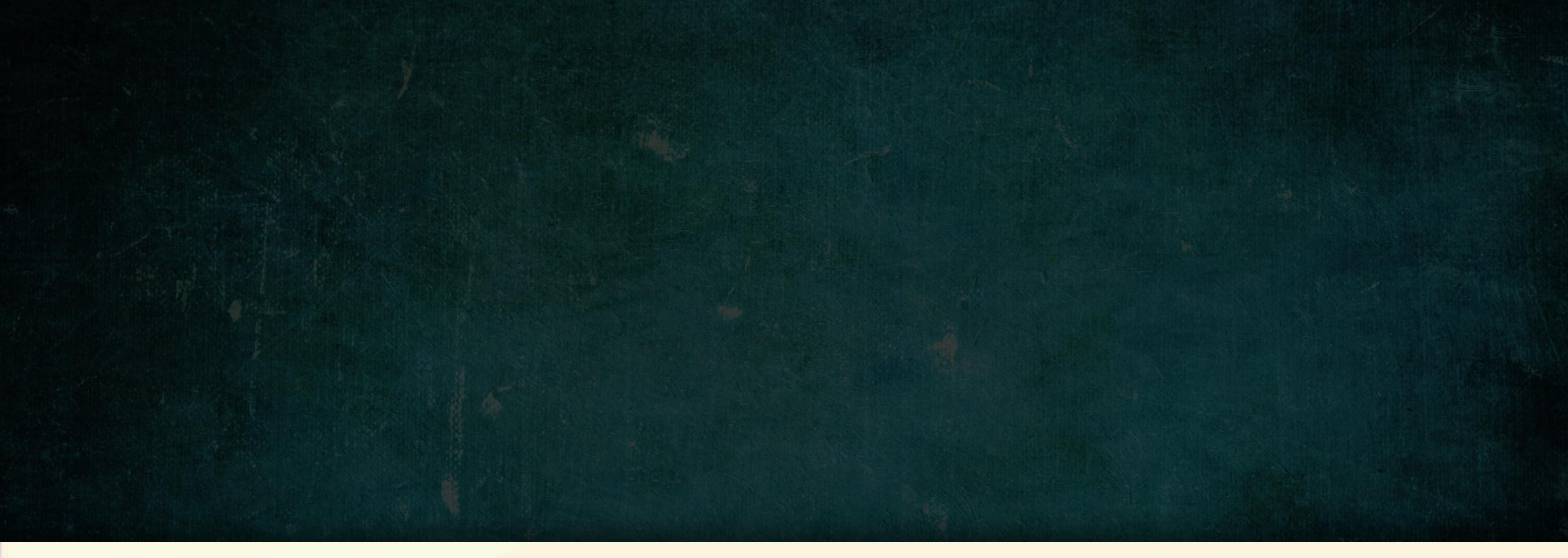


God made a covenant with Israel and then displayed unrestrained and extravagant love. He does not love on a budget. His love knows no bounds.

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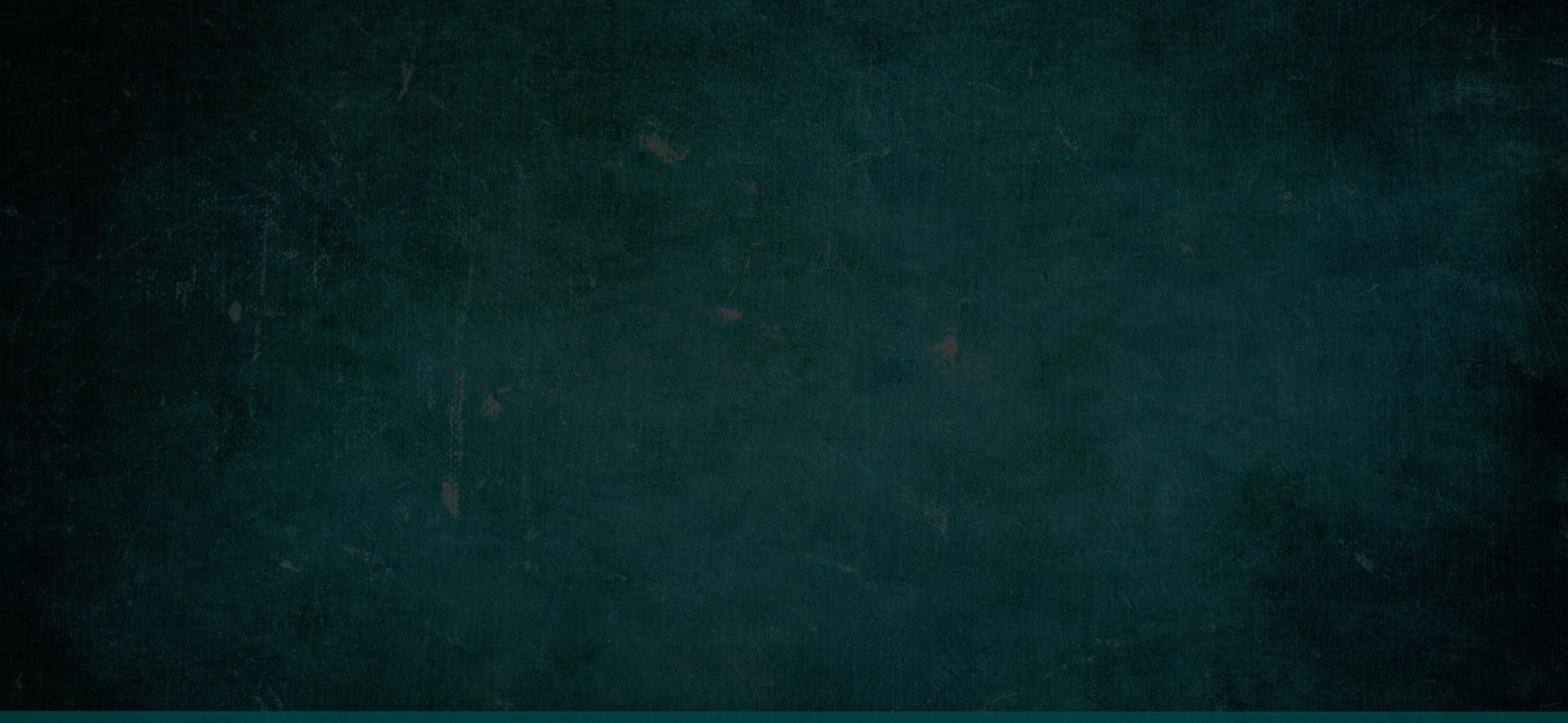


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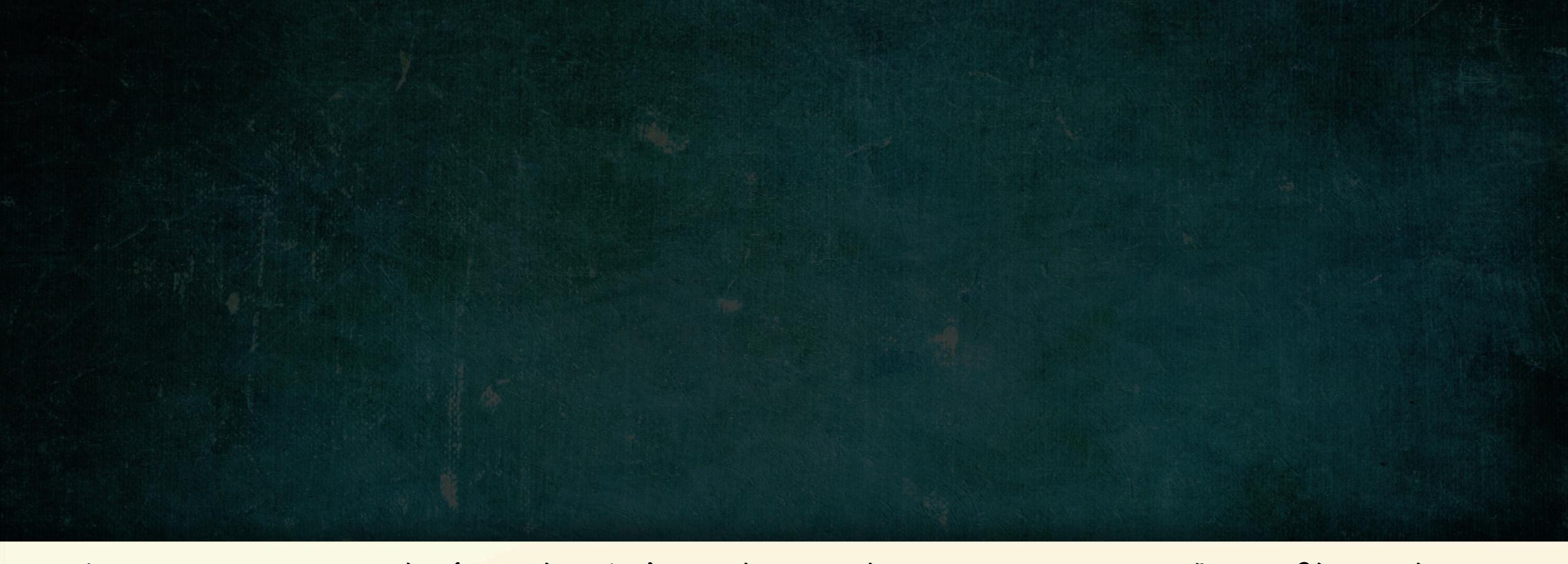


The Lord enabled Jerusalem to thrive. Her inhabitants became numerous. She eventually developed into a fine city, even though she had gotten a bad start in life. During the reigns of David and Solomon, Jerusalem was one of the most highly respected cities in the ancient Near East.

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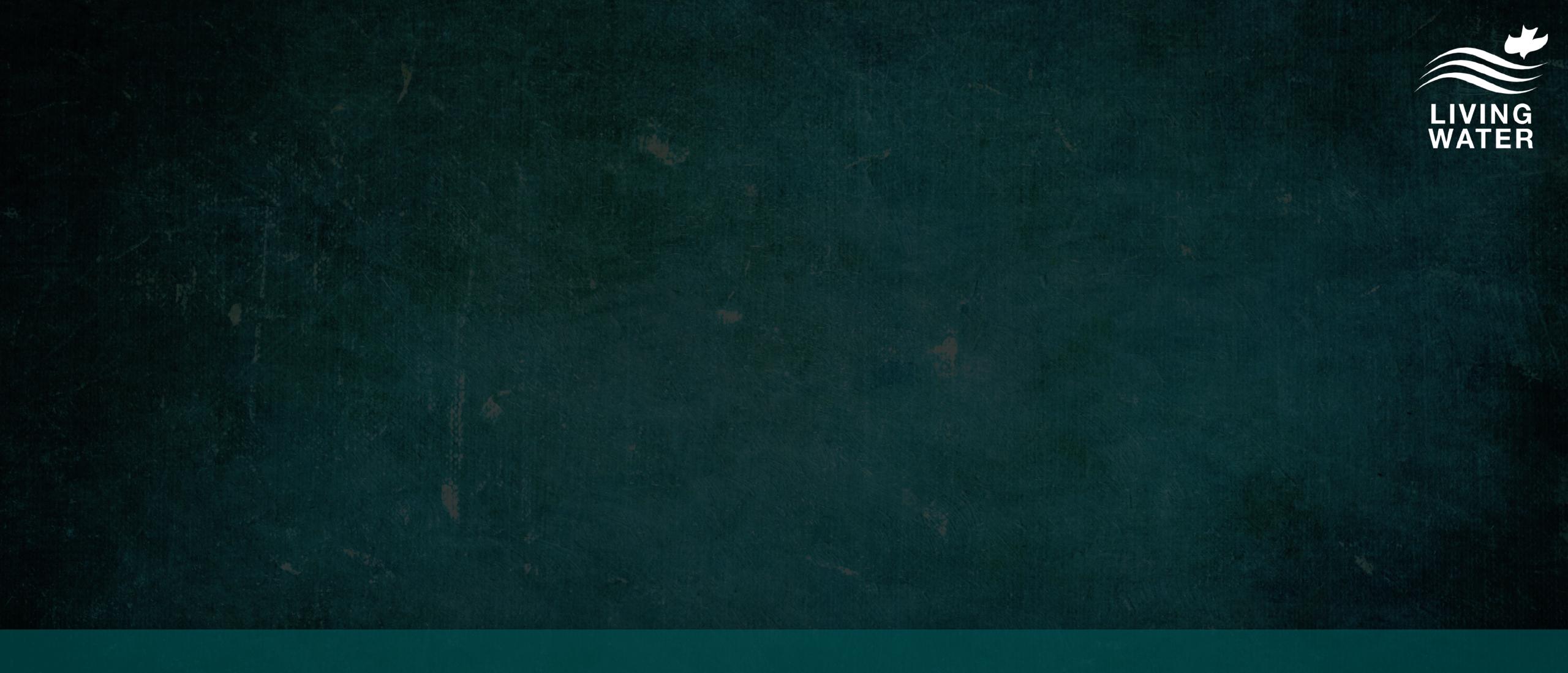


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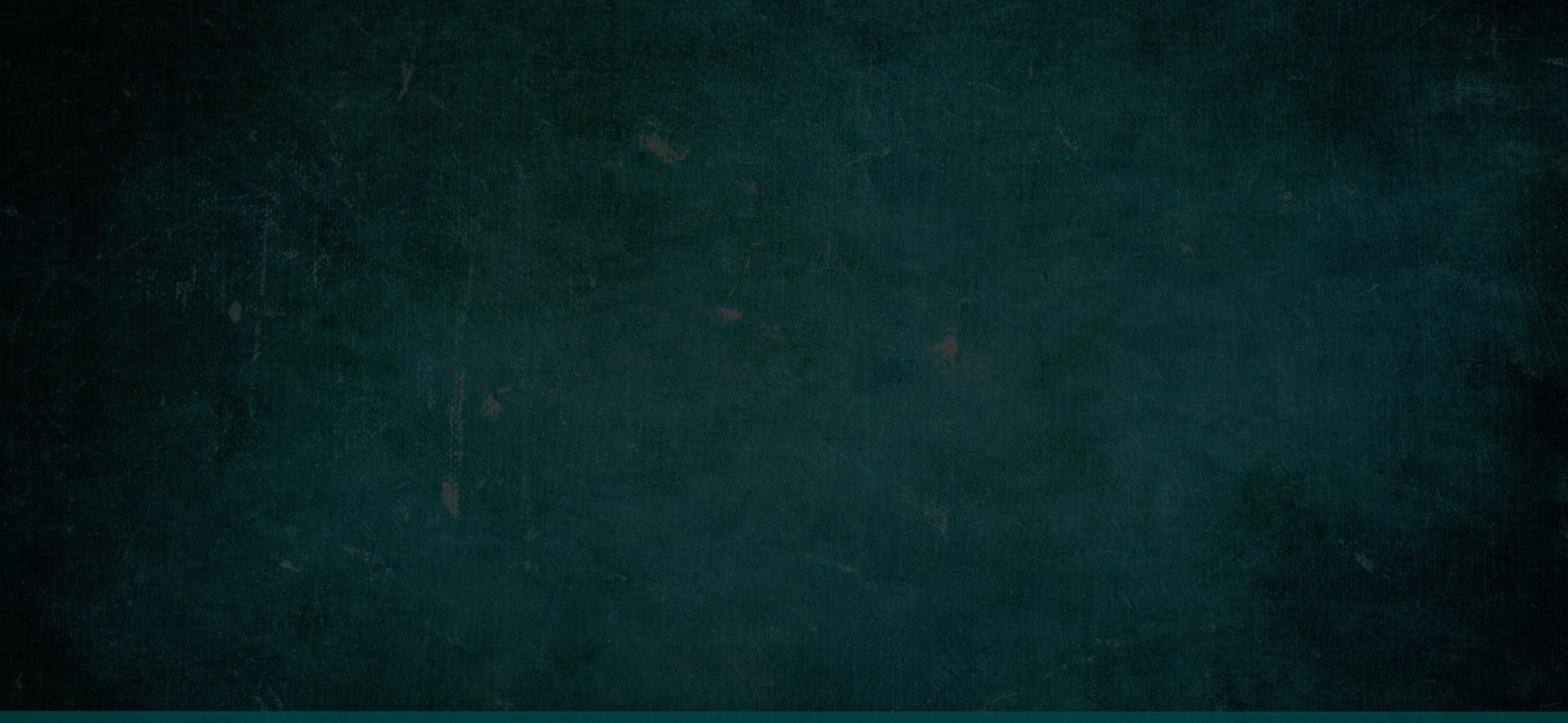


It is staggering to think and to believe that we have even more in Jesus Christ than Israel had when they were blessed under the old covenant. Every aspect of God's blessing to Israel under the old covenant (washing, anointing, clothing, providing, adorning, crowning, etc.) is given in greater measure and glory in the new covenant.

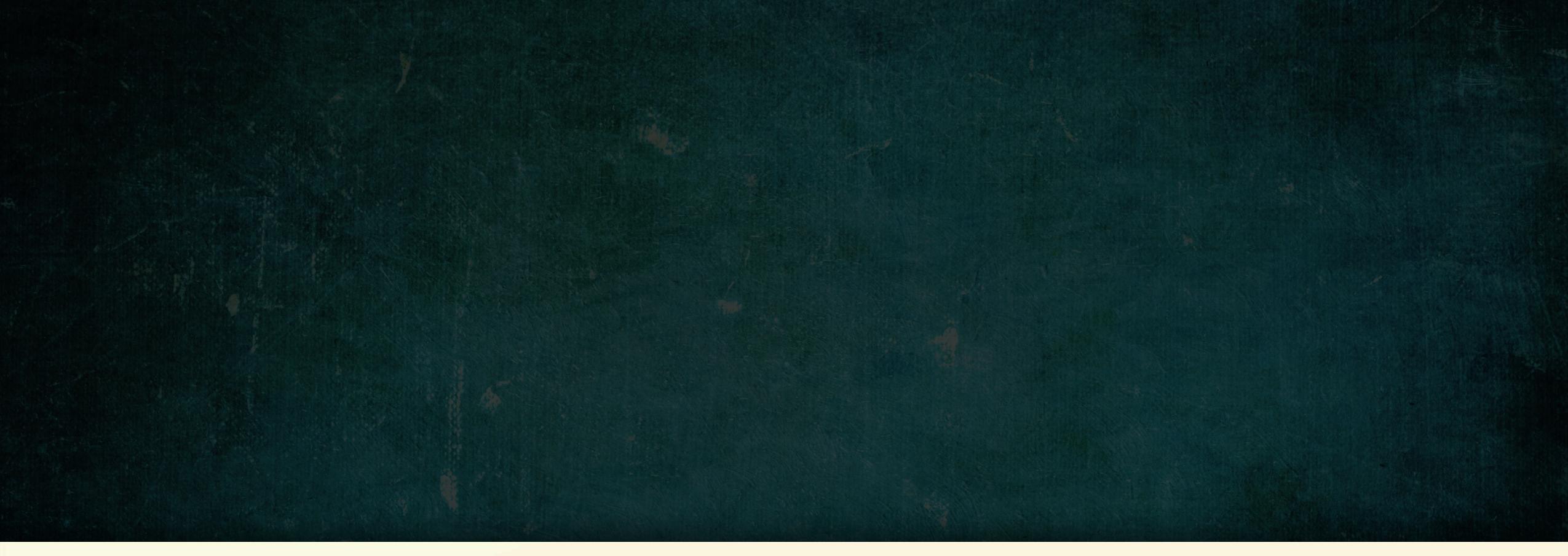
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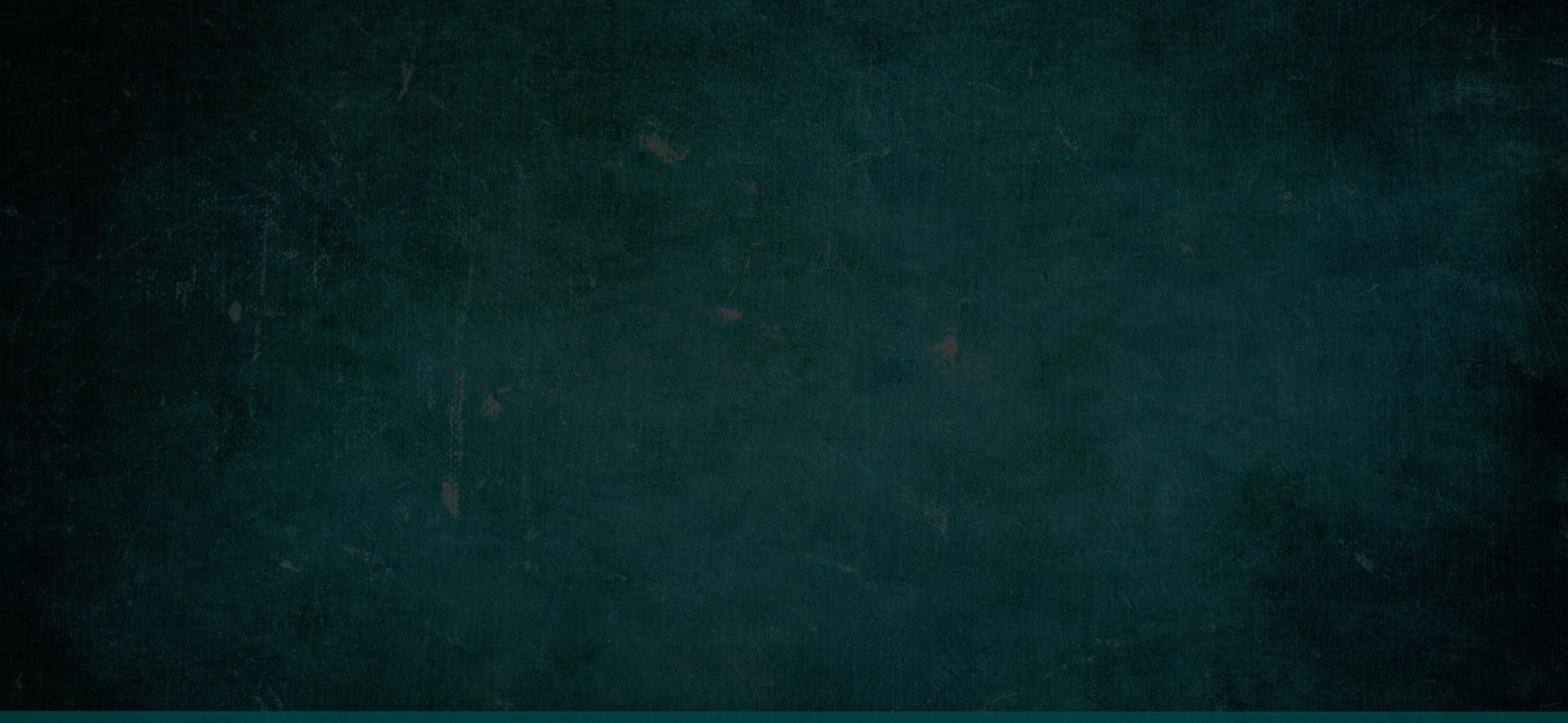


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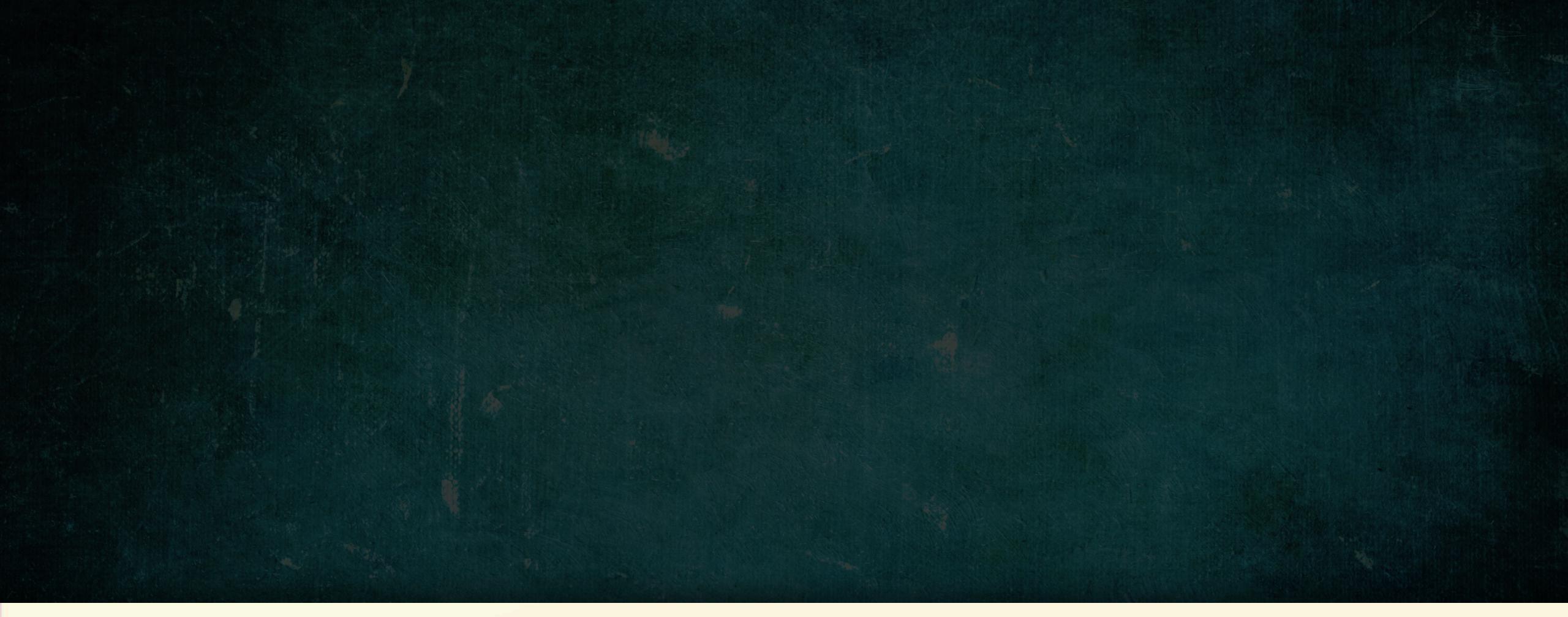


It is an ill sign in any of us when God's blessings are themselves made into idols. If thou beginnest to worship thy wealth, thy health, thy children, thy learning, or anything that God has given thee, this is exceedingly provoking to the Most High; it is a breach of the marriage covenant between thy soul and God.

Charles Spurgeon, Sermon On Ezekiel 16



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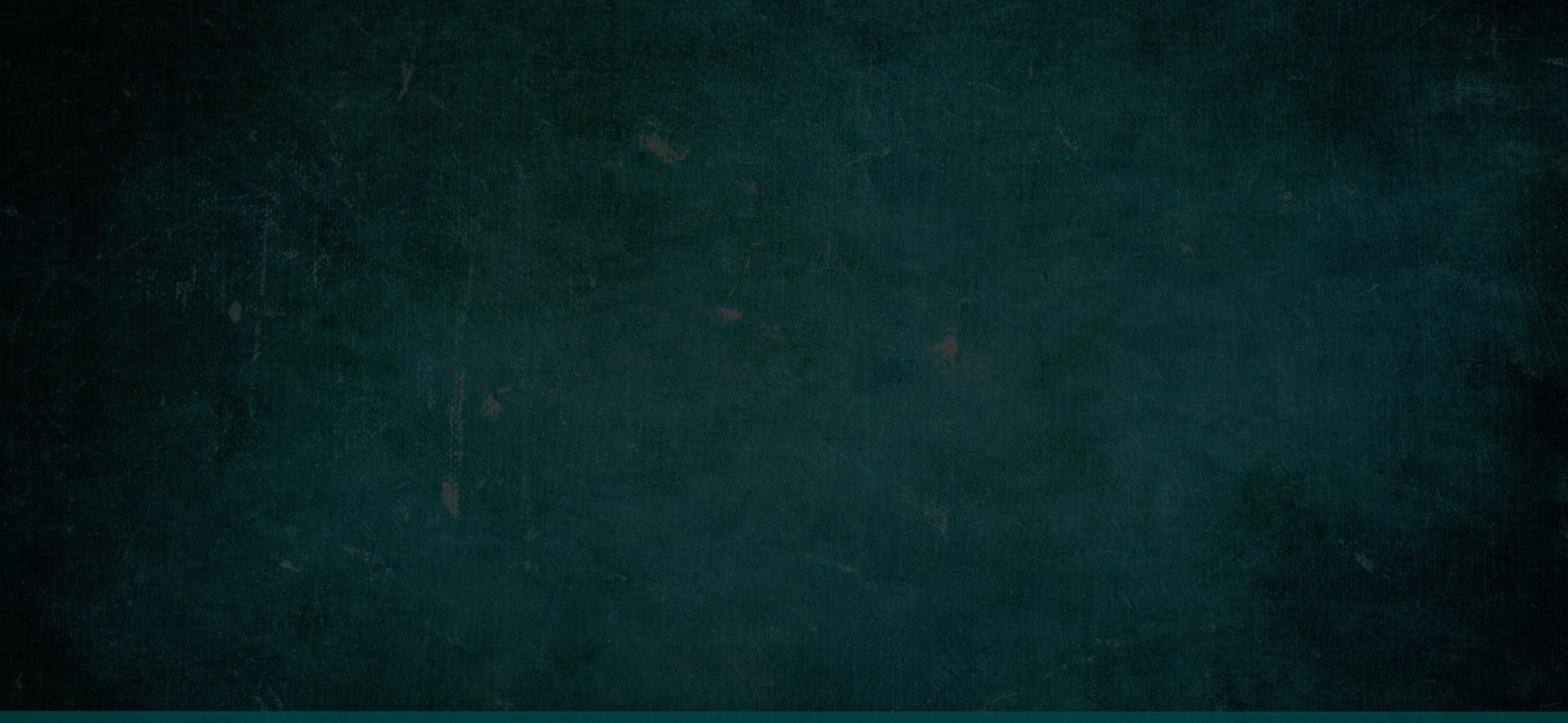
Israel's haughty pride was rooted in their failure to remember. They no longer remembered their poor and humble beginning, and how all the protection, provision, and adornment they enjoyed was the blessing and gift of God.

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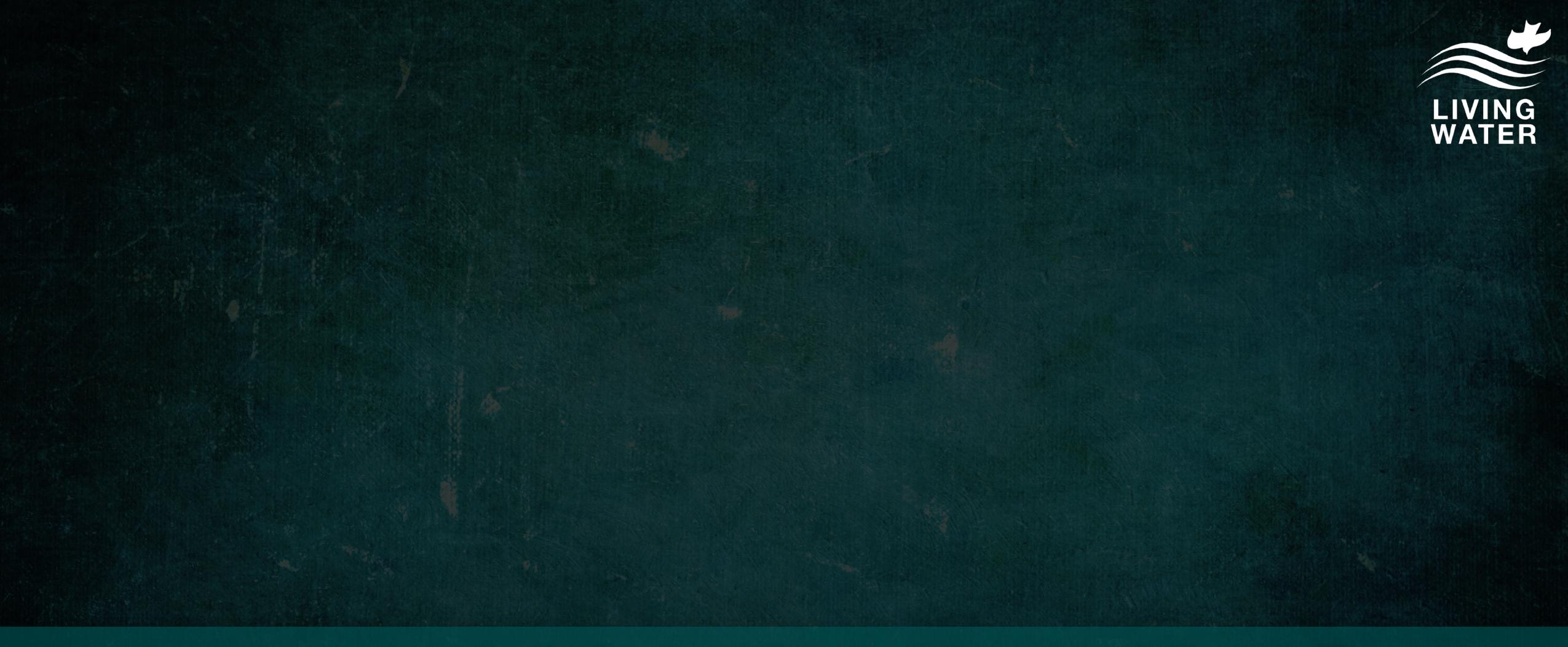


1 Corinthians 15

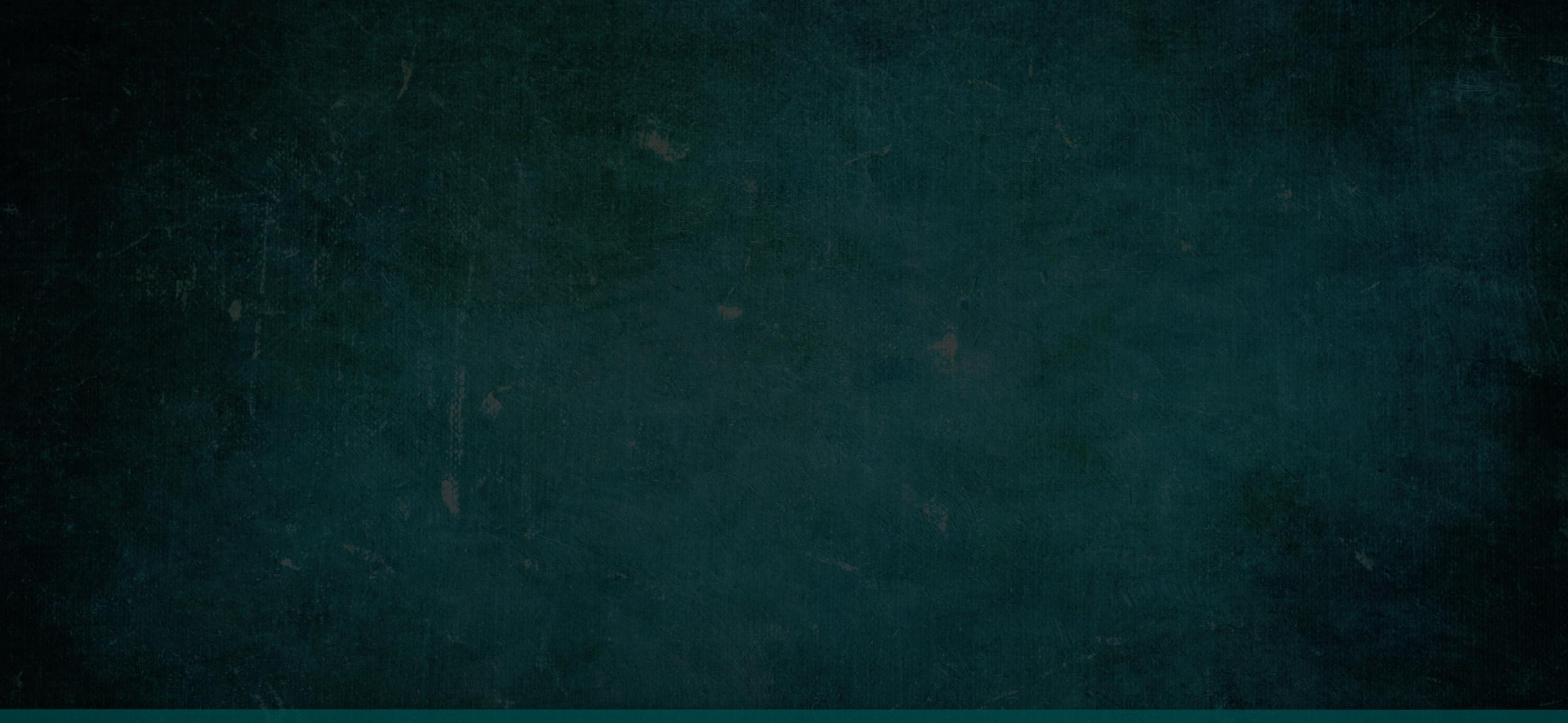
9 For I am the least of the apostles, who am not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.



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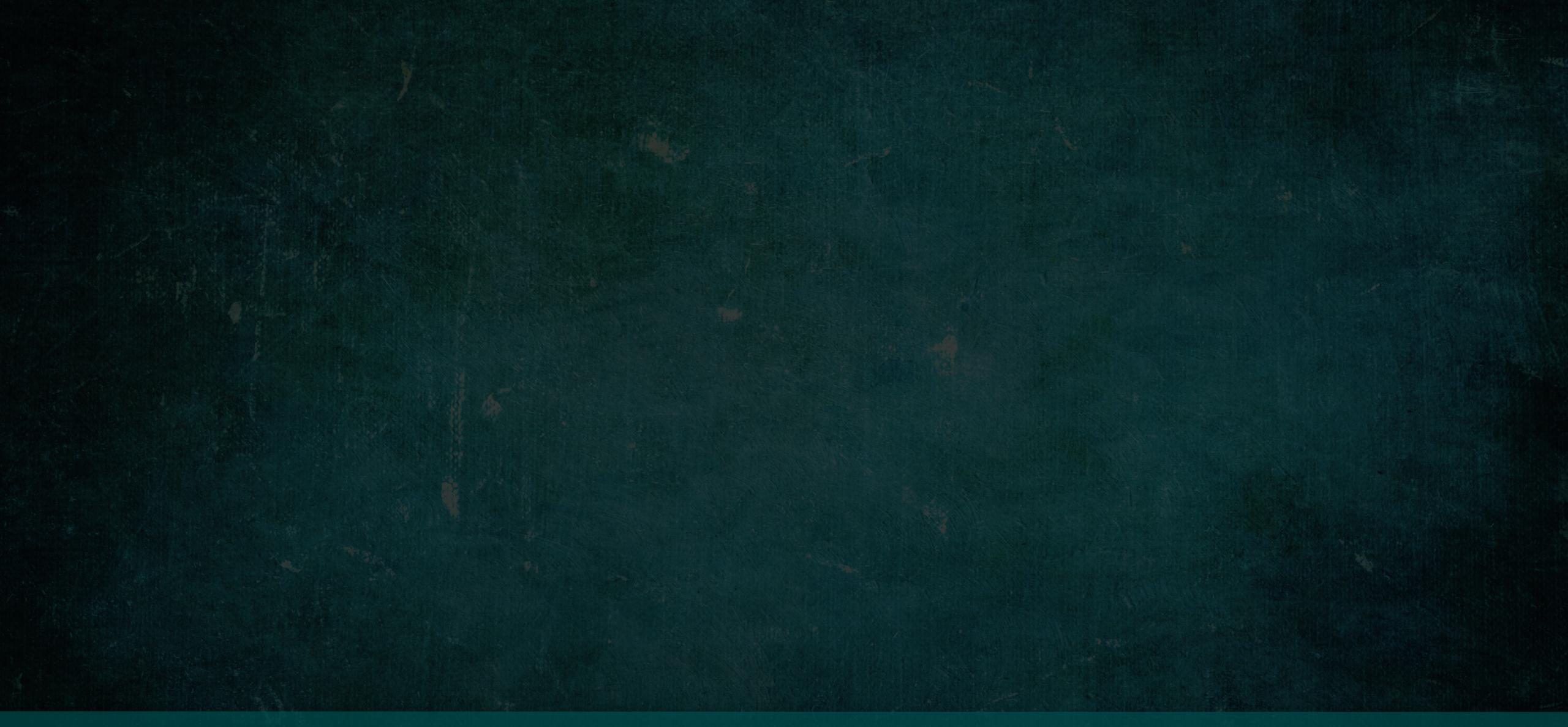


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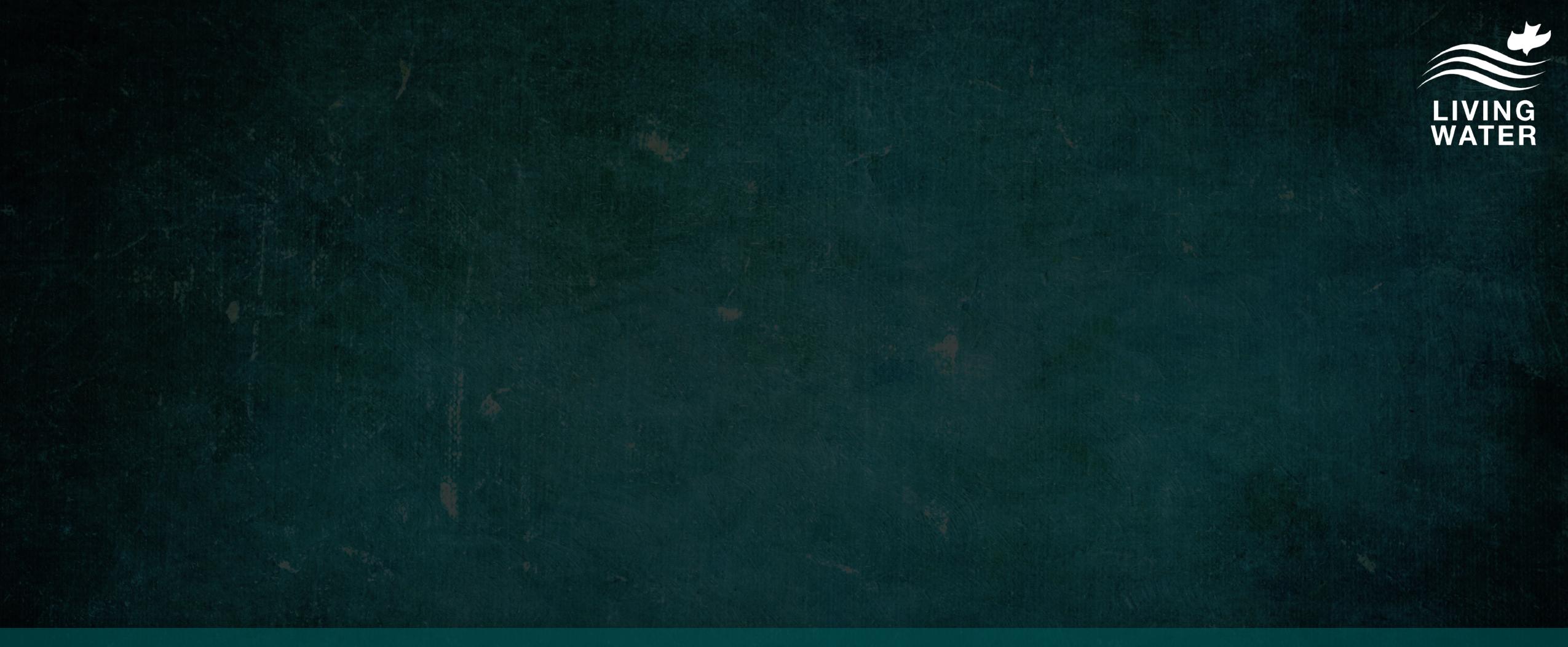


Jeremiah 2

13 For My people have committed two evils: They have forsaken Me, the fountain of living waters, And hewn themselves cisterns—broken cisterns that can hold no water.



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