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Who is the greatest in the world?



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Matthew 11:11

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Matthew 11:7

As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds concerning John: “What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind?”



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Matthew 11:8

What then did you go out to see?
A man dressed in soft clothing? Behold,
those who wear soft clothing are in kings' houses.



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Matthew 11:9,10

What then did you go out to see? A prophet?
Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet.
This is he of whom it is written,
“Behold, I send my messenger before your face,
who will prepare your way before you.’



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Matthew 11:13 “For all the Prophets
And the Law prophesied until John...



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“He’ll come”



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“He’ll come” “He’s here!”



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“He’ll come” “He’s here!” “He died & rose!”



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1 Peter 1:10–11

Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories.



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1 Peter 1:12

It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you ... things into which angels long to look.



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KNOWING CHRIST



John 1:18

No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.



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John 14:9

Whoever has seen me has seen the Father.

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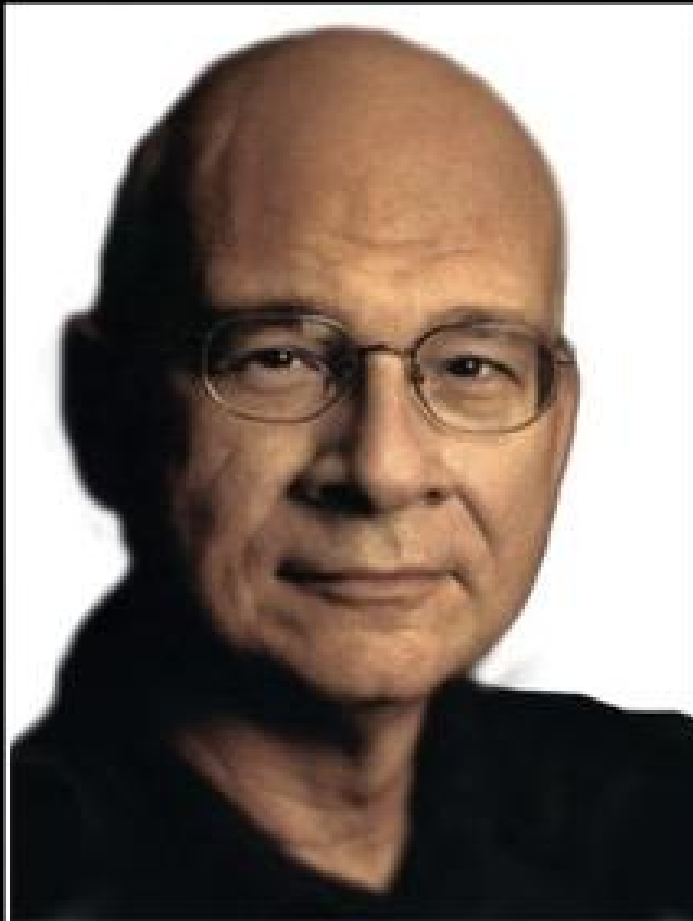
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1 Corinthians 2:2

For I decided to know nothing among you
except Jesus Christ and him crucified.



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The gospel is not just the A-B-C's
but the A-Z of Christianity. The
gospel is not just the minimum
required doctrine necessary to
enter the kingdom, but the way we
make all progress in the kingdom.

— *Timothy Keller* —

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IF A MAN CAN PREACH ONE SERMON
WITHOUT MENTIONING CHRIST'S NAME IN IT,
IT OUGHT TO BE HIS LAST.

CHARLES SPURGEON

“I wish that our ministry—that mine especially—
might be tied and tethered to the cross.
I have no other subject to set before you but Jesus only.”

Charles Spurgeon

Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.

Apostle Paul,
in Philippians 3:8

All I Once Held Dear

ALL I ONCE HELD DEAR, BUILT MY LIFE UPON
ALL THIS WORLD REVERES, AND WARS TO OWN
ALL I ONCE THOUGHT GAIN, I HAVE COUNTED LOSS
SPENT AND WORTHLESS NOW, COMPARED TO THIS

KNOWING YOU, JESUS, KNOW YOU
THERE IS NO GREATER THING
YOU'RE MY ALL, YOU'RE THE BEST
YOU'RE MY JOY, MY RIGHTEOUSNESS
AND I LOVE YOU, LORD

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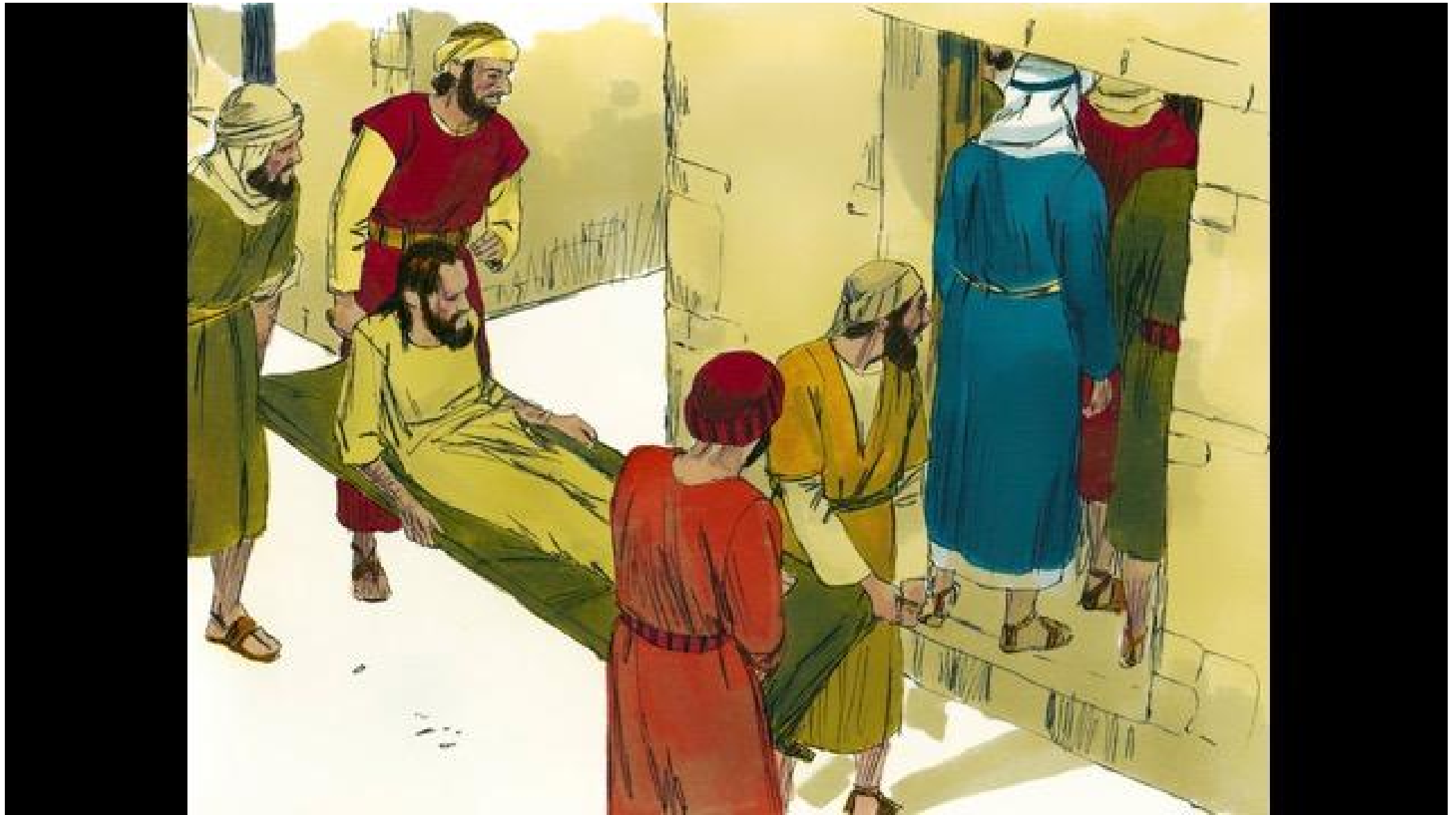
Luke 16:16

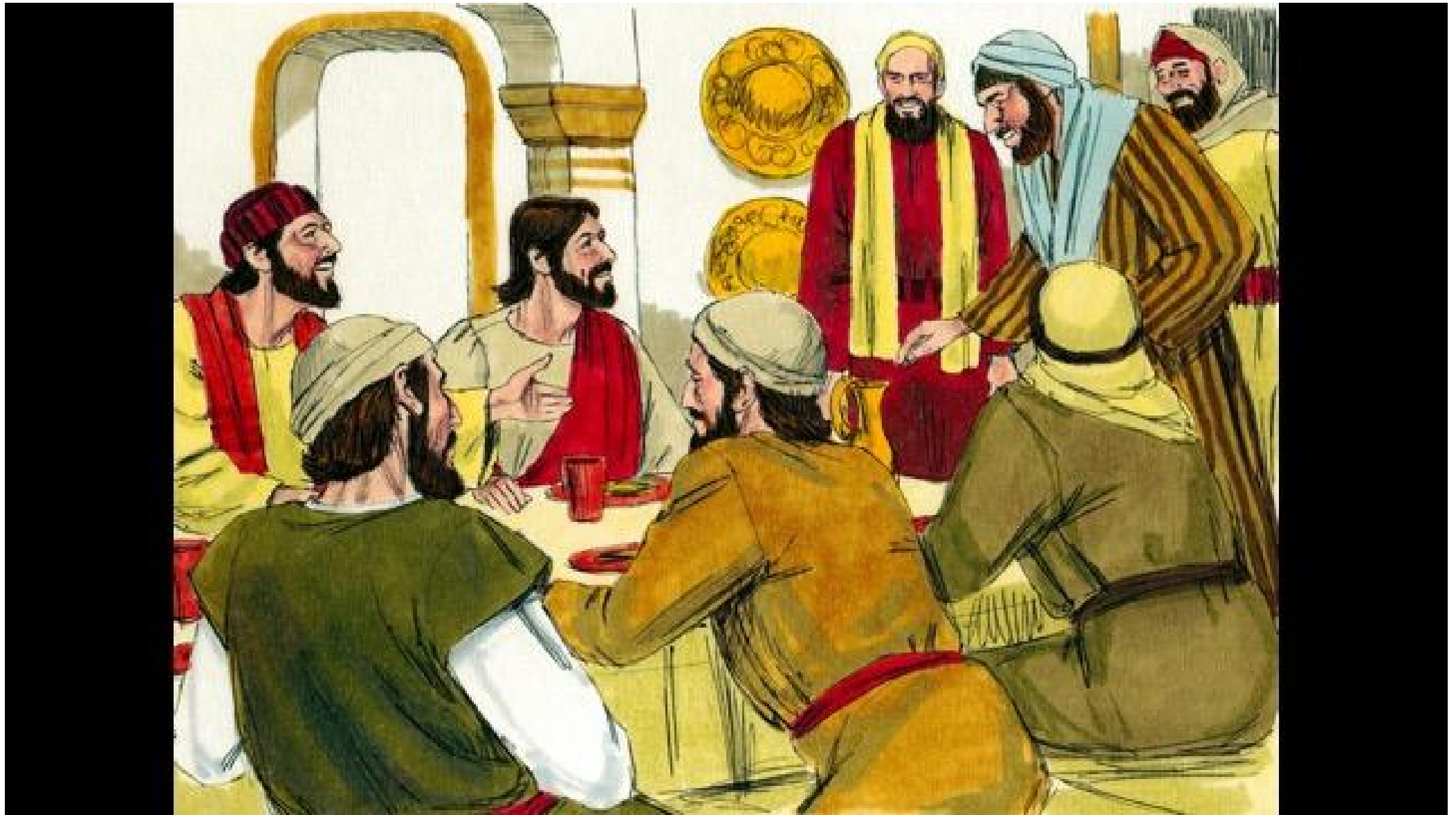
The Law and the Prophets were until John;
since then the good news of the kingdom of
God is preached, and everyone forces
his way into it.



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Matthew 11:15

He who has ears to hear, let him hear.

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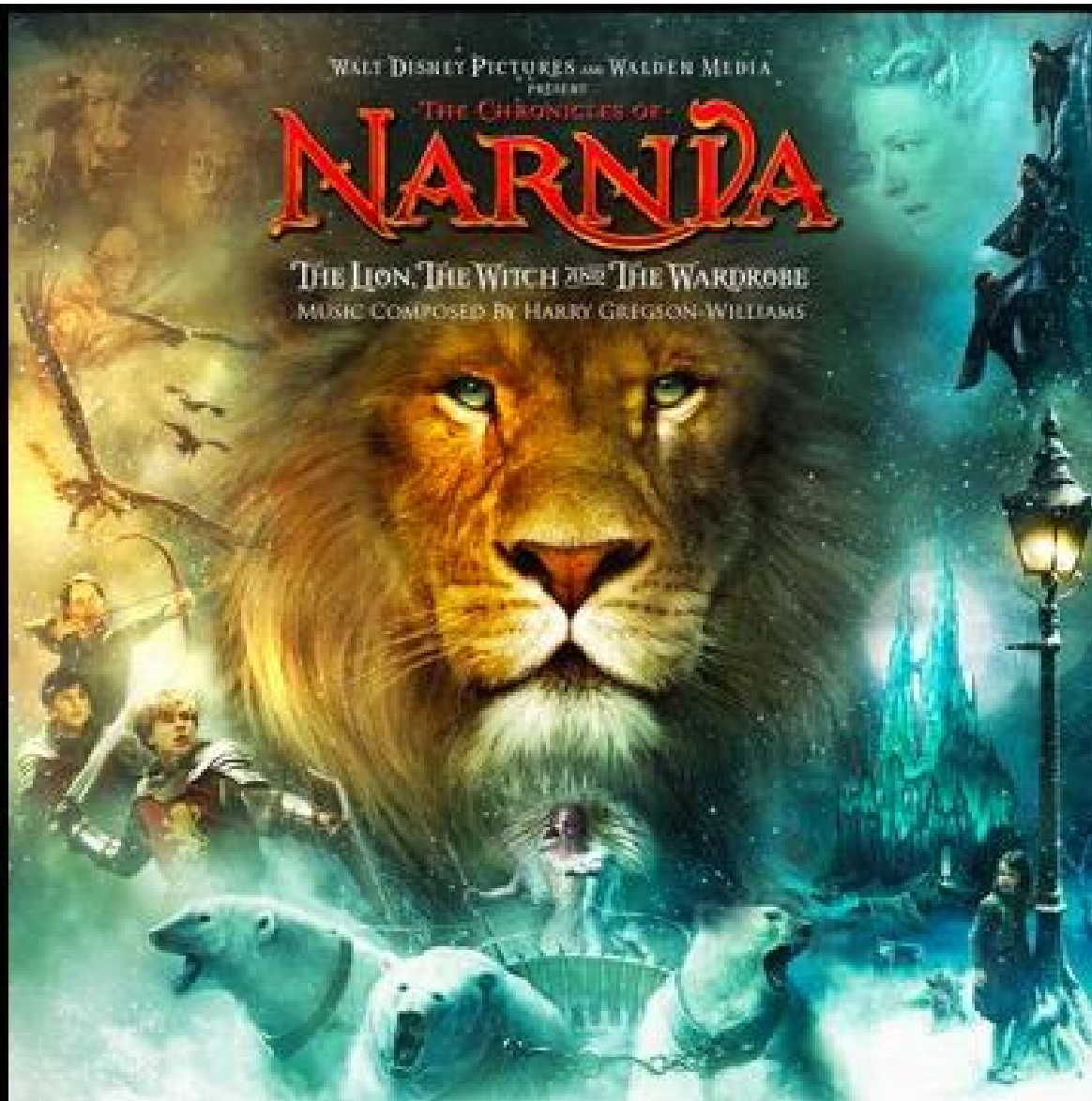
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All their life in this world and all their adventures had only been the cover and the title page: now at last they were beginning Chapter One of the Great Story which no one on earth has read: which goes on for ever: in which every chapter is better than the one before.

— *C. S. Lewis* —

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