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THE STORY OF JOSEPH





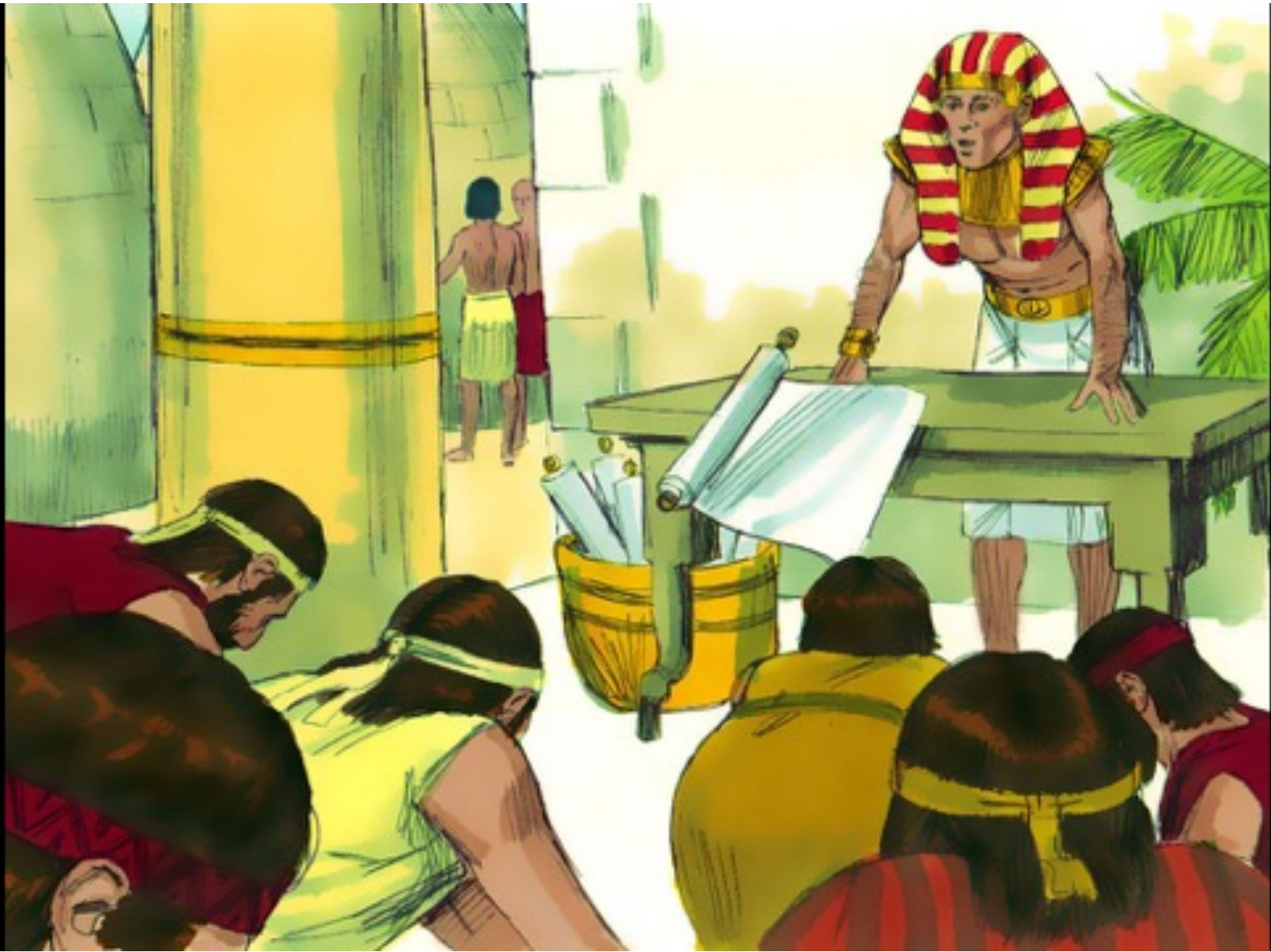




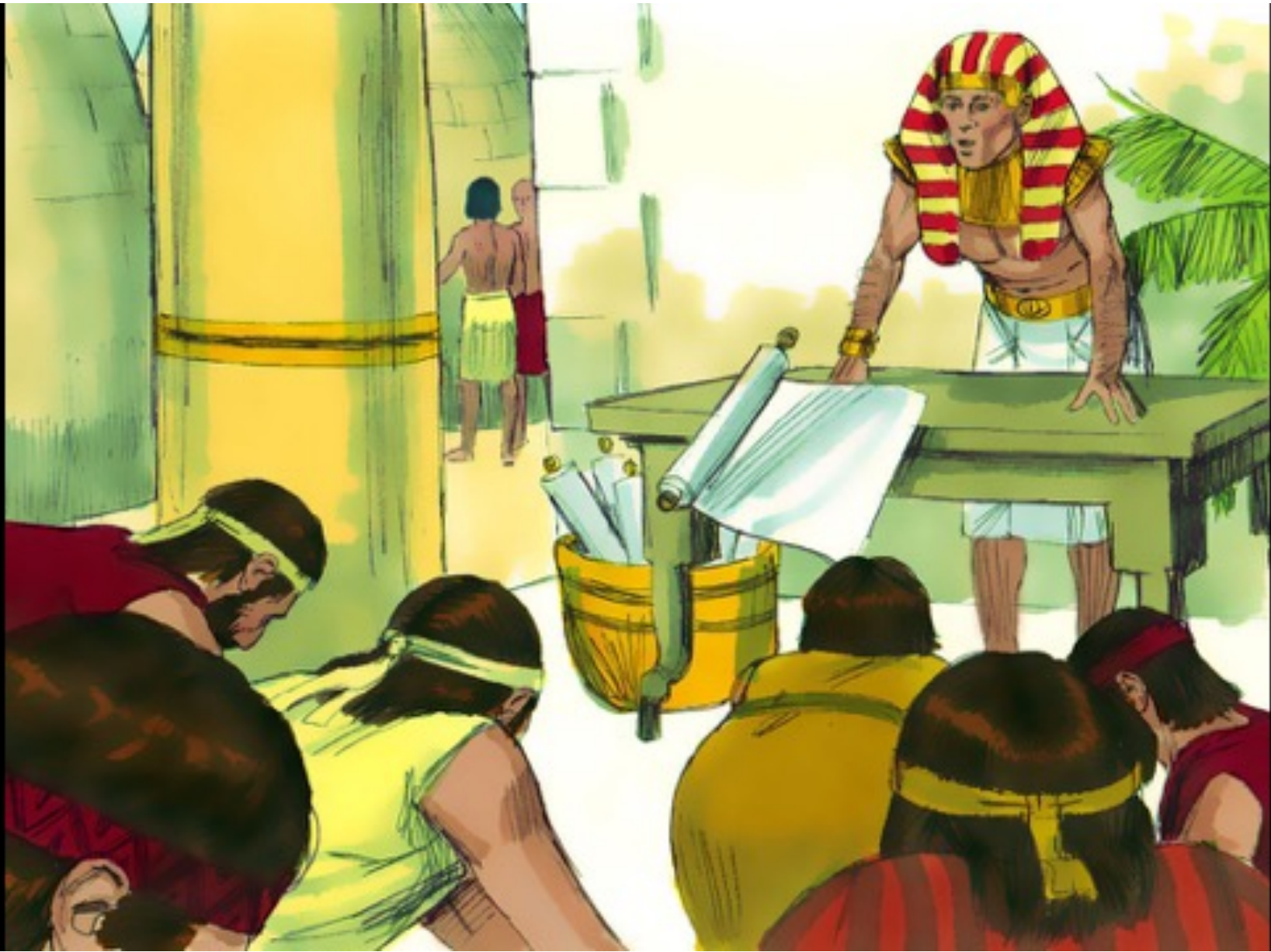












Joseph Tests His Brothers

Genesis 42-47



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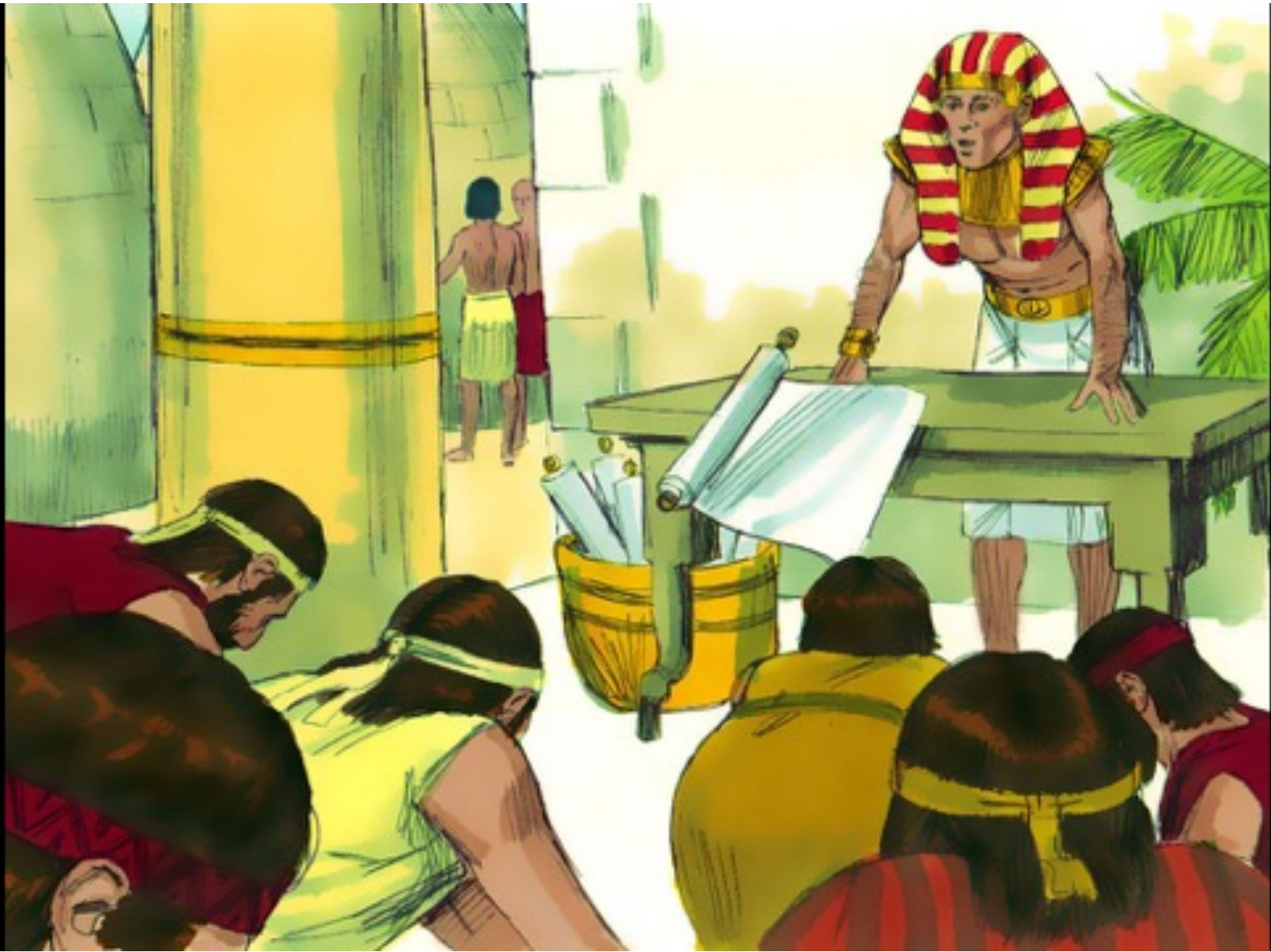


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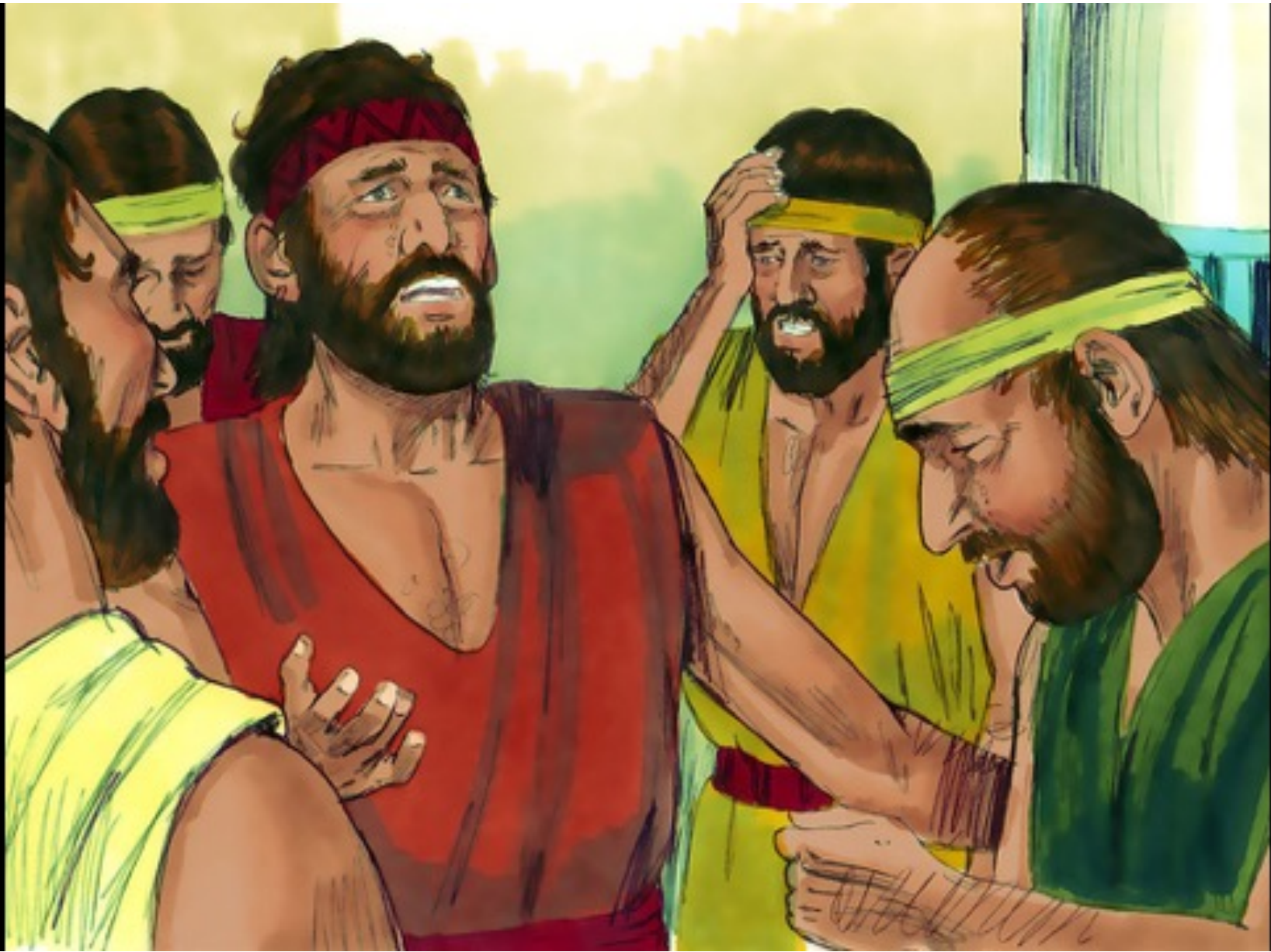
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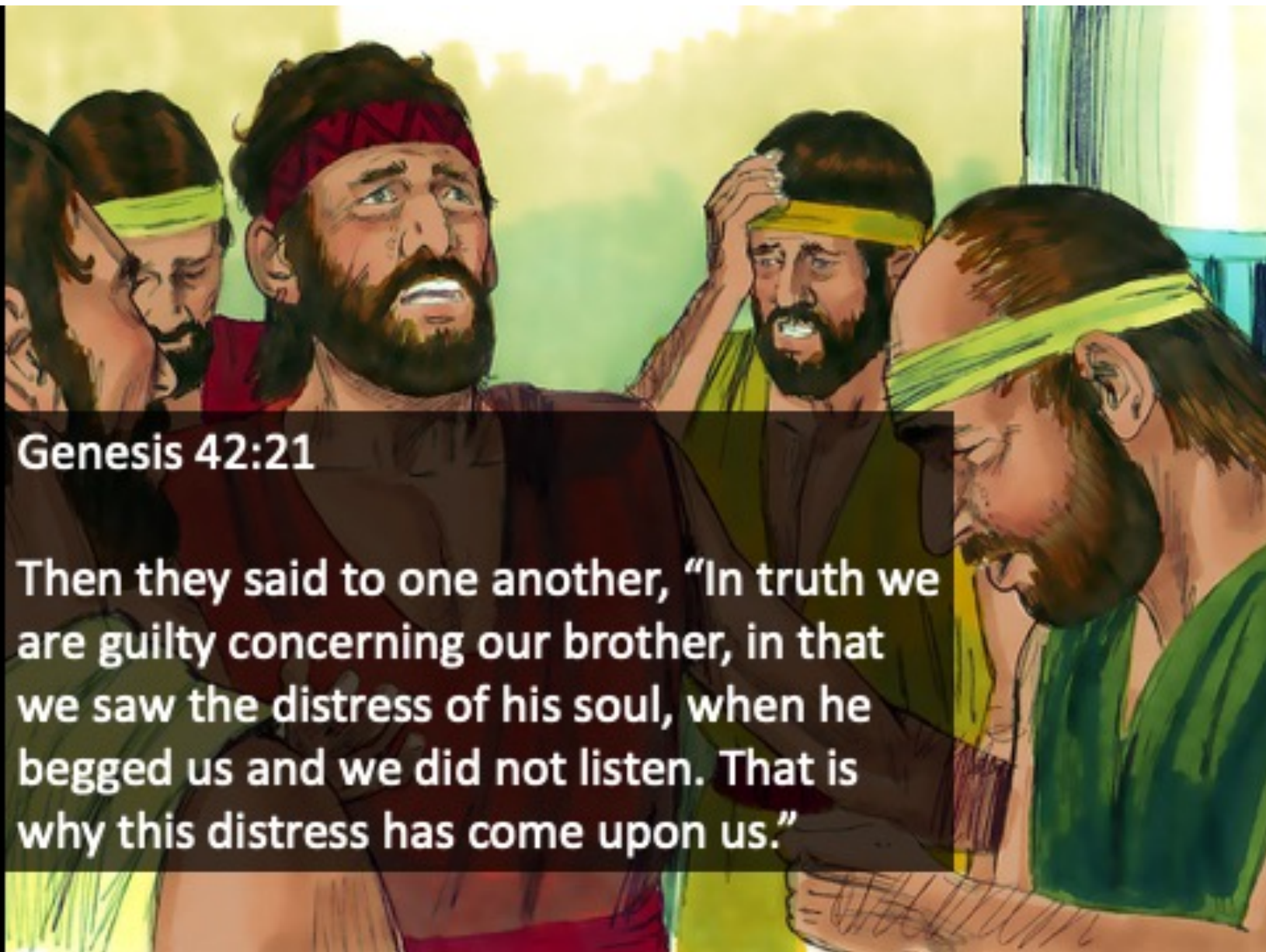


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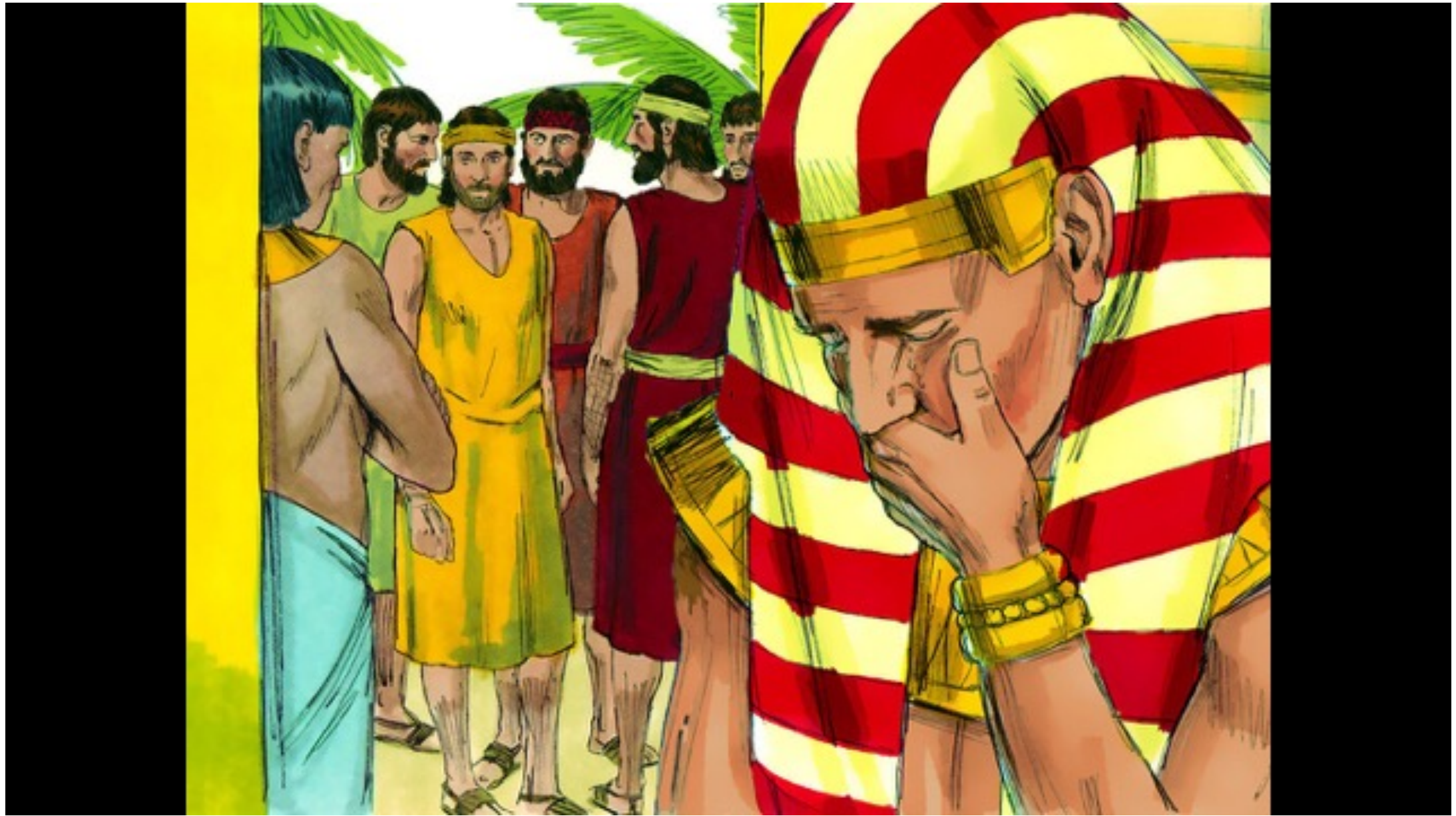
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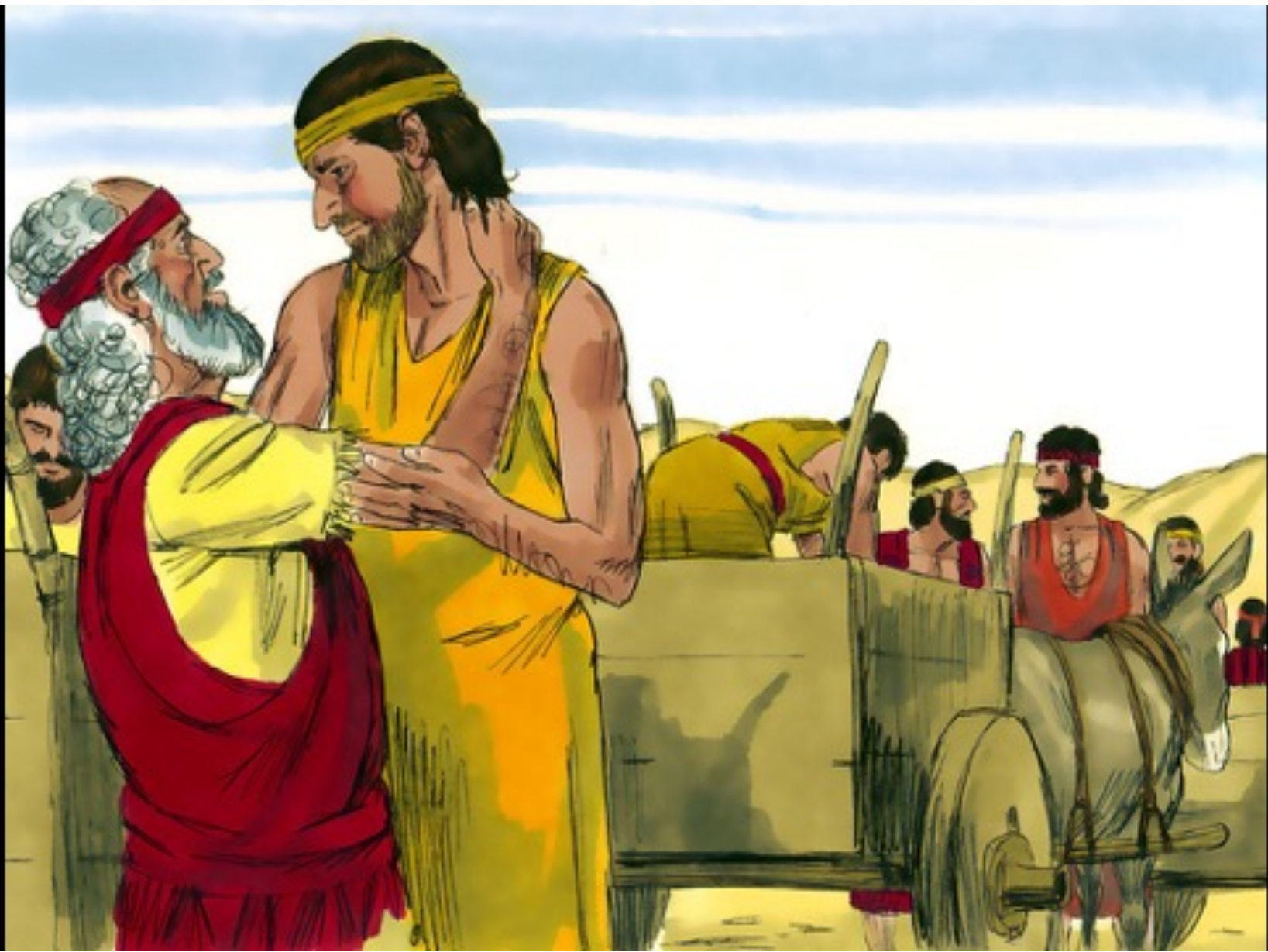




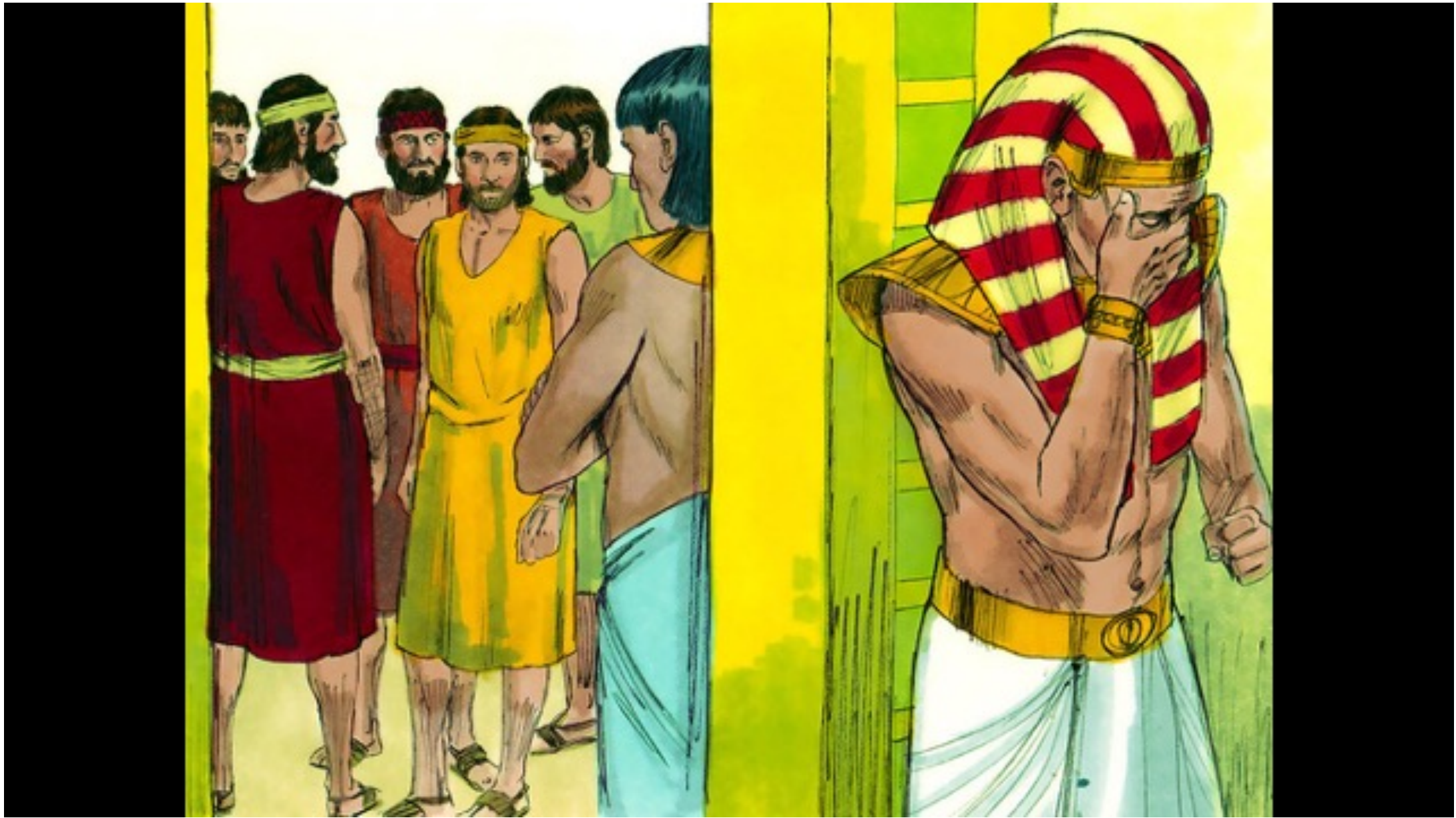


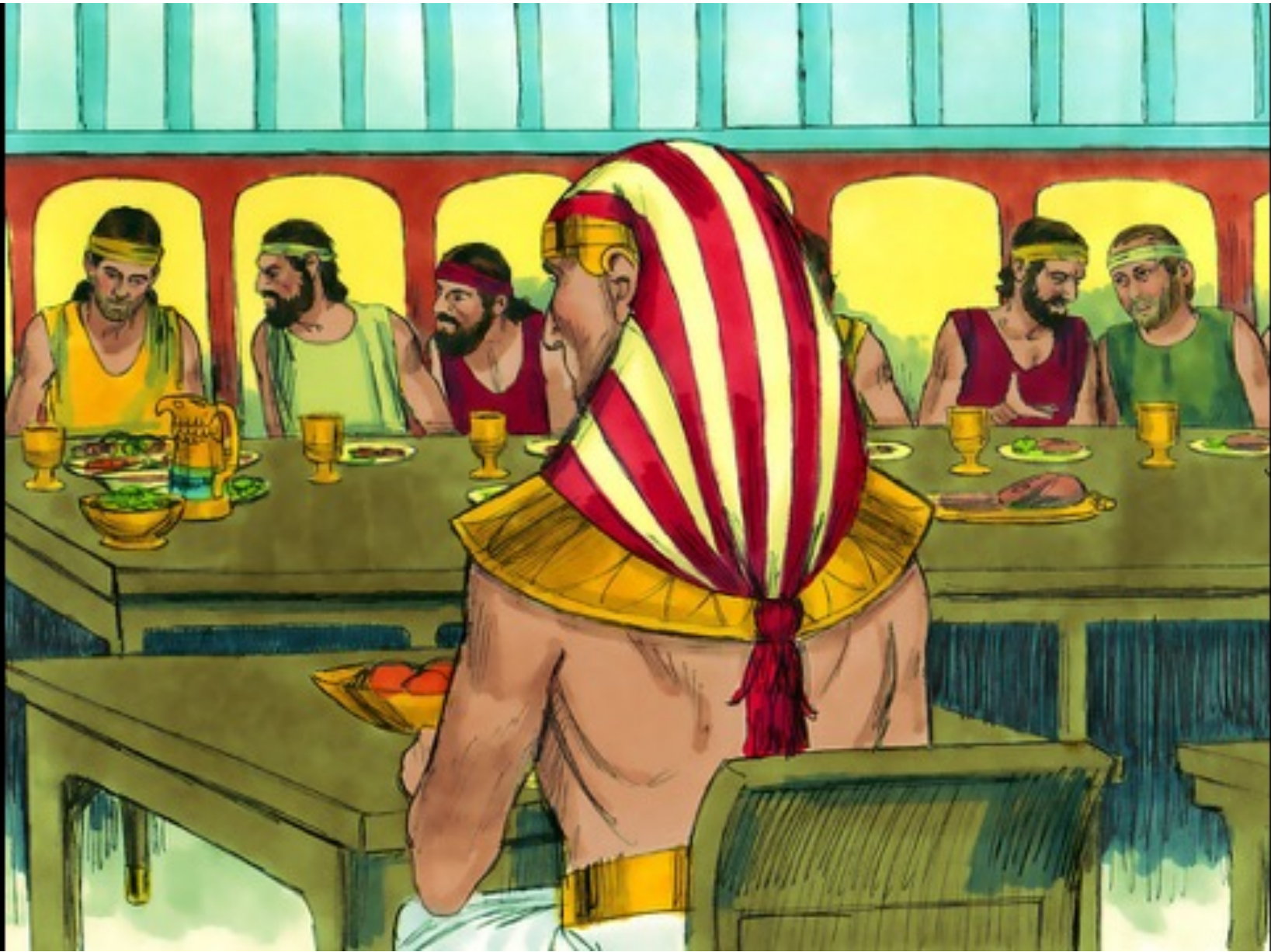












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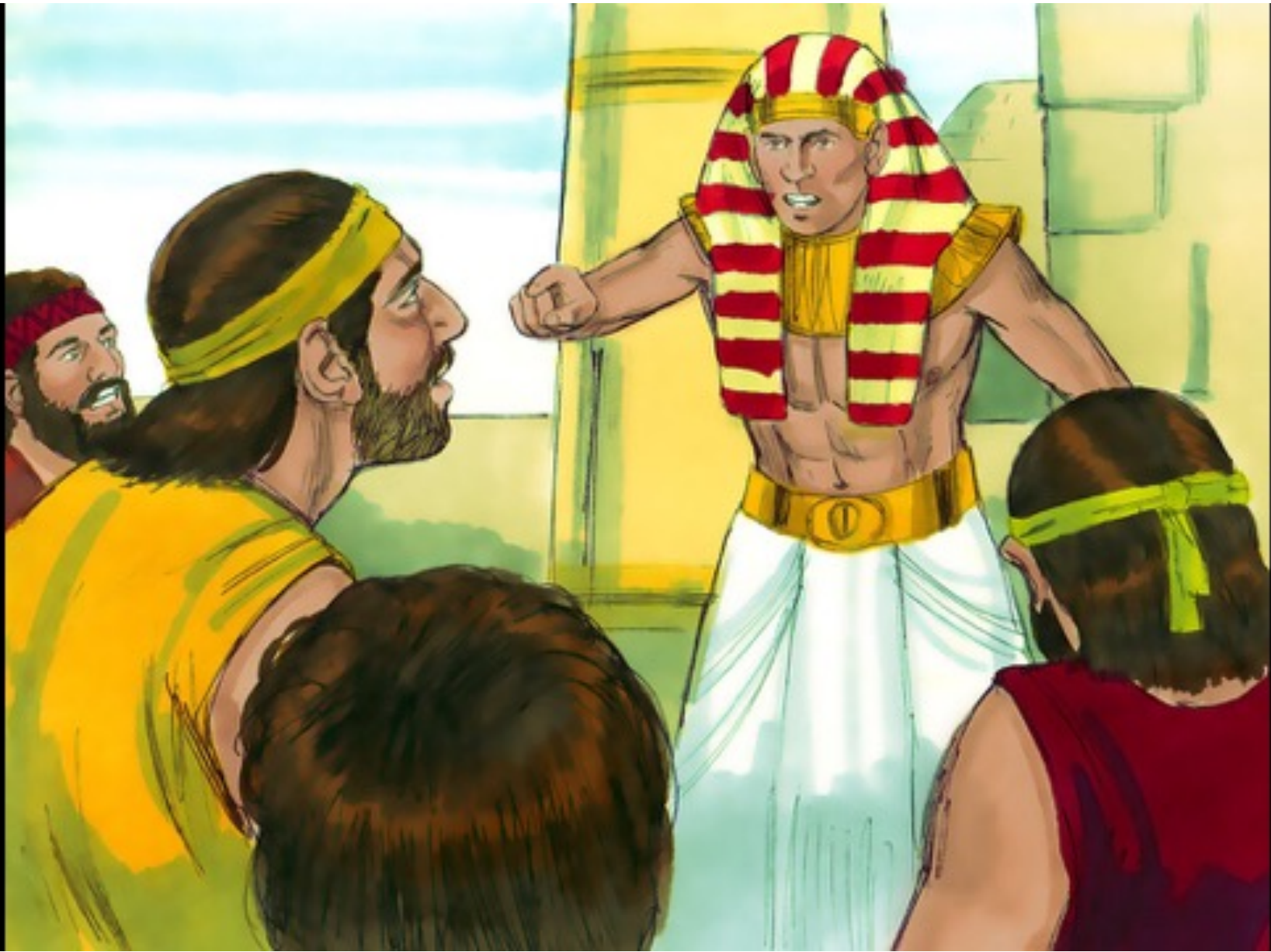
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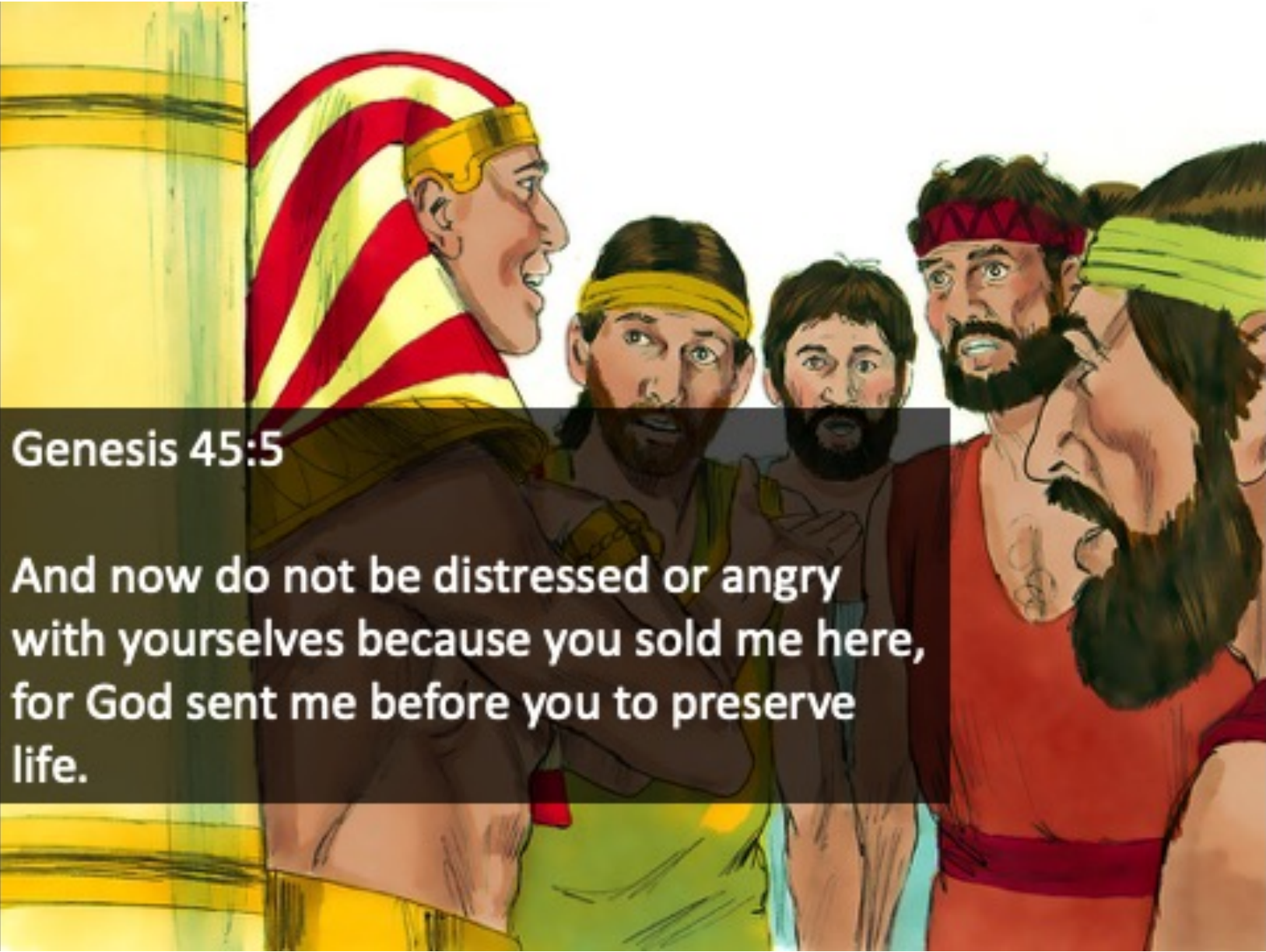
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An illustration depicting a scene from the Bible. On the left, a man with a golden crown and a red and yellow striped shawl (Joseph) is shown in profile, smiling and speaking to a group of men. The men on the right are dressed in simple, earthy clothing and have various expressions of surprise and concern. The background is a simple, light-colored wall with a yellow pillar on the left. The text is overlaid on a semi-transparent dark grey box in the lower-left quadrant.


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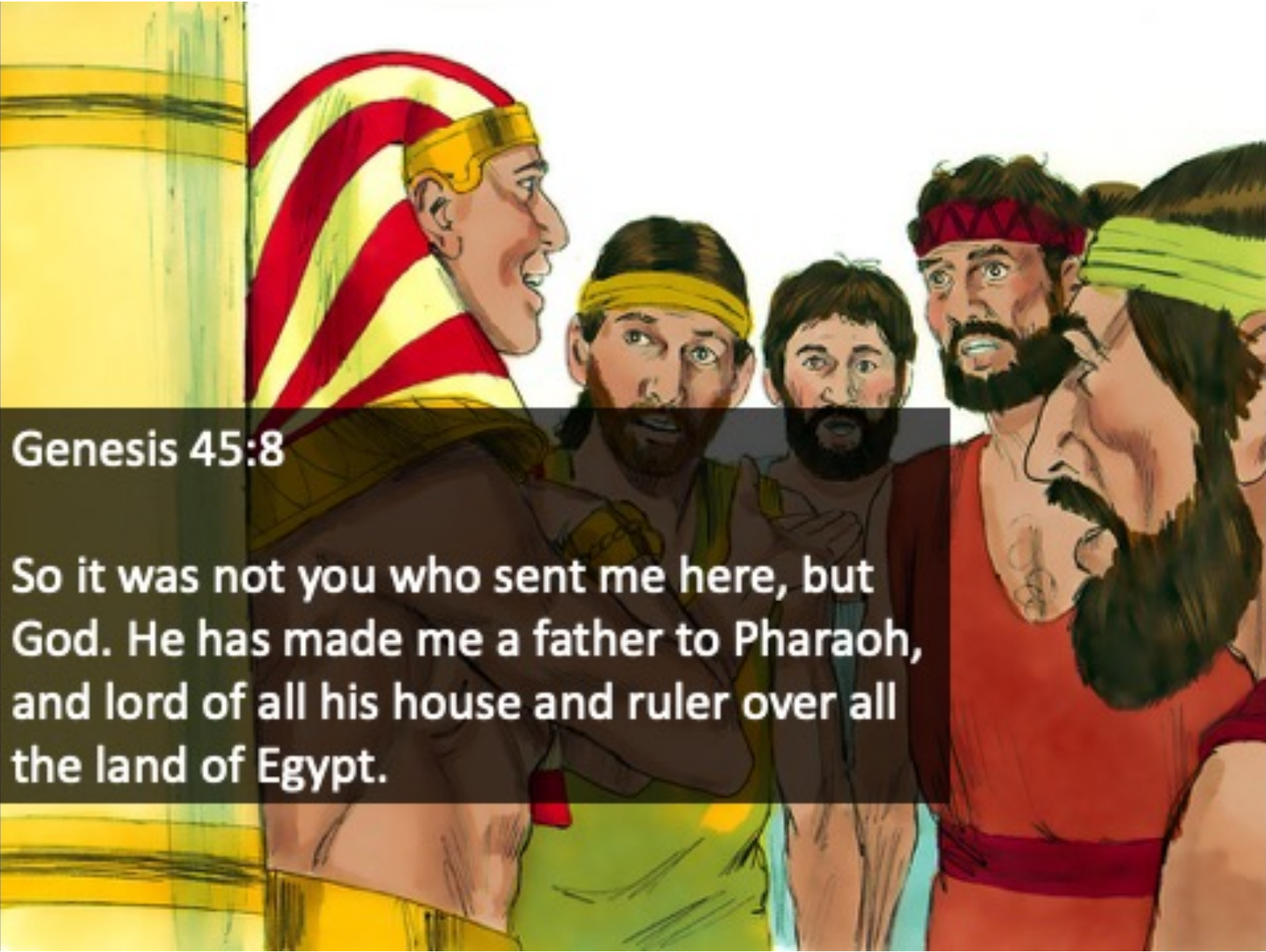
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For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest.

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Was Joseph using disguise/deceit?



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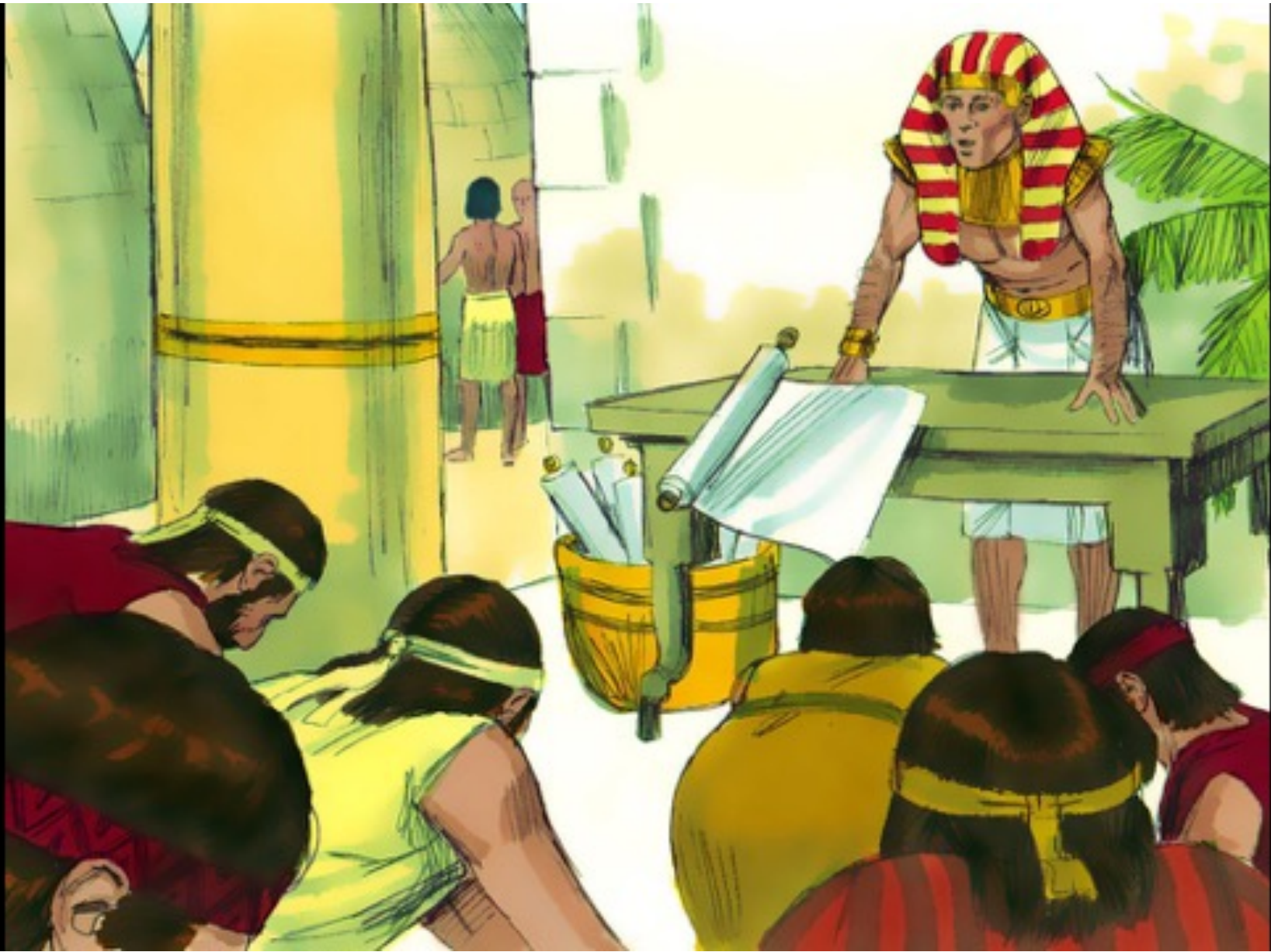
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1. Reconciliation requires repentance

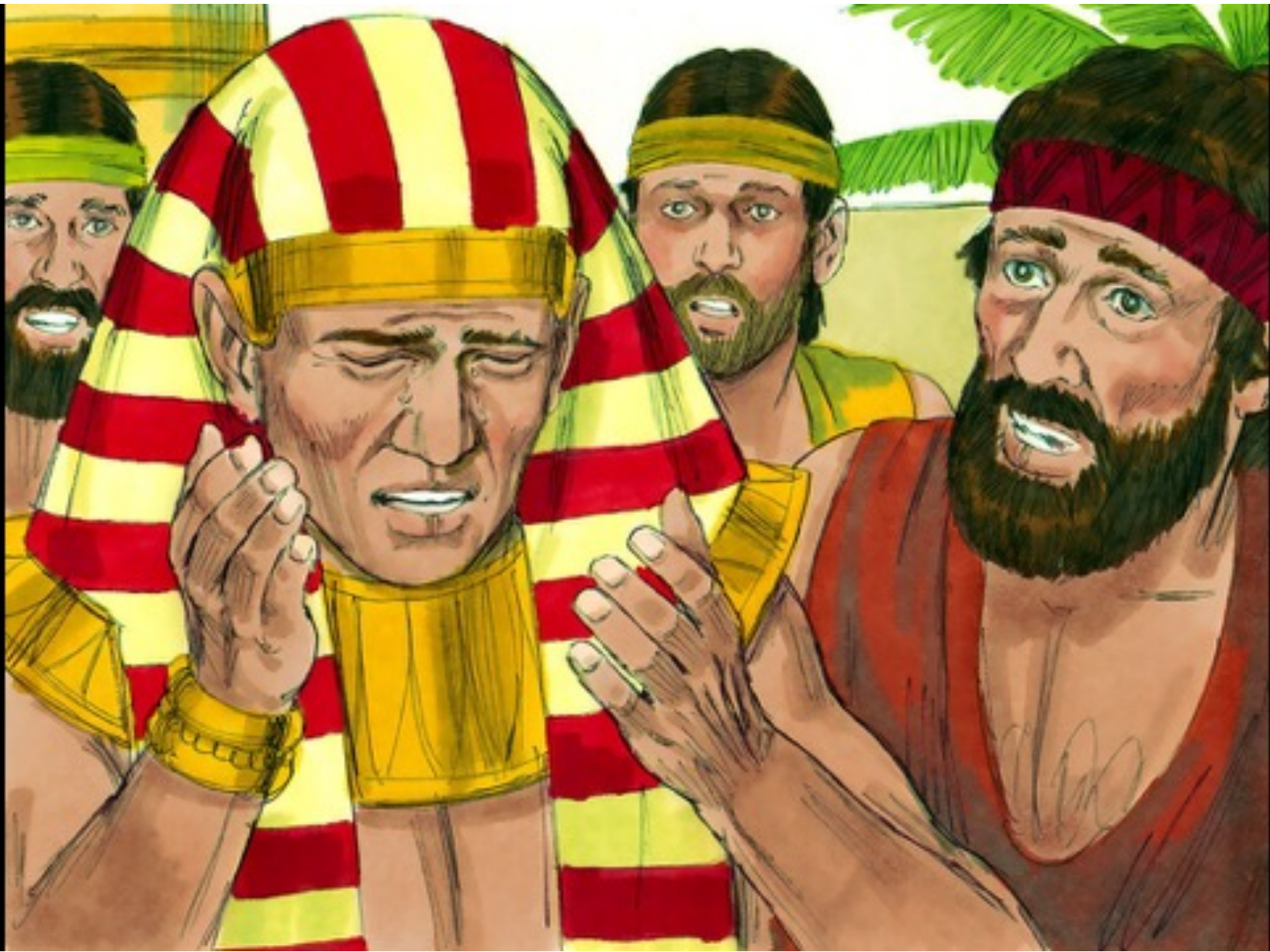


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Forgiveness is unilateral.



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Reconciliation is bilateral.



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Forgiveness is unilateral.
Reconciliation is bilateral.
Repentance is needed for reconciliation.



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Forgiveness involves a change of thinking by the offended



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Forgiveness involves a change of thinking by the offended

Reconciliation involves that + change of ways of the offender



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Reconciliation = forgiveness + repentance



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Reconciliation = forgiveness + repentance
(offended) (offender)



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We are to forgive always.



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We are to forgive always.
But we may not always achieve reconciliation.



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Matthew 18:15

If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother.



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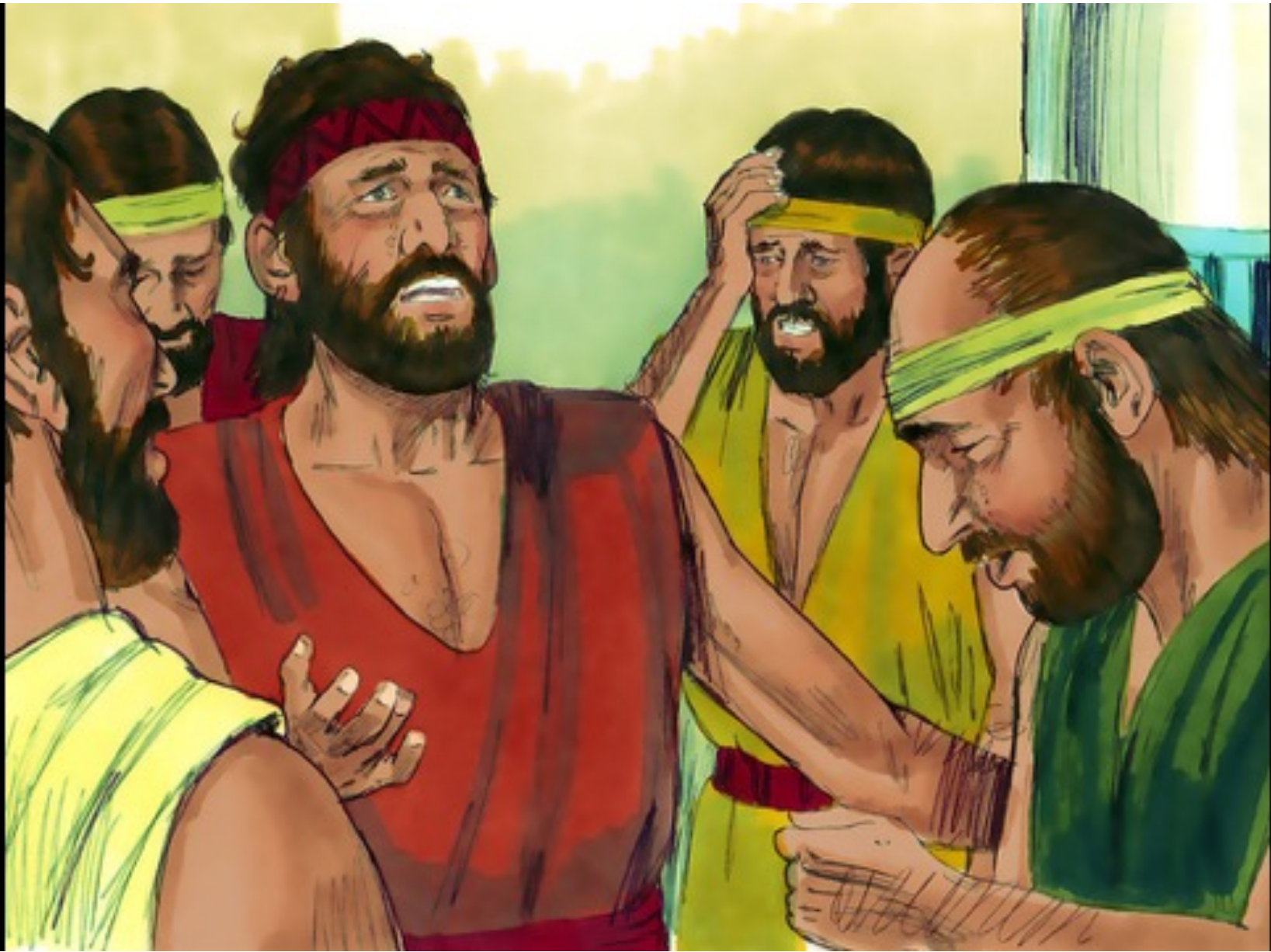
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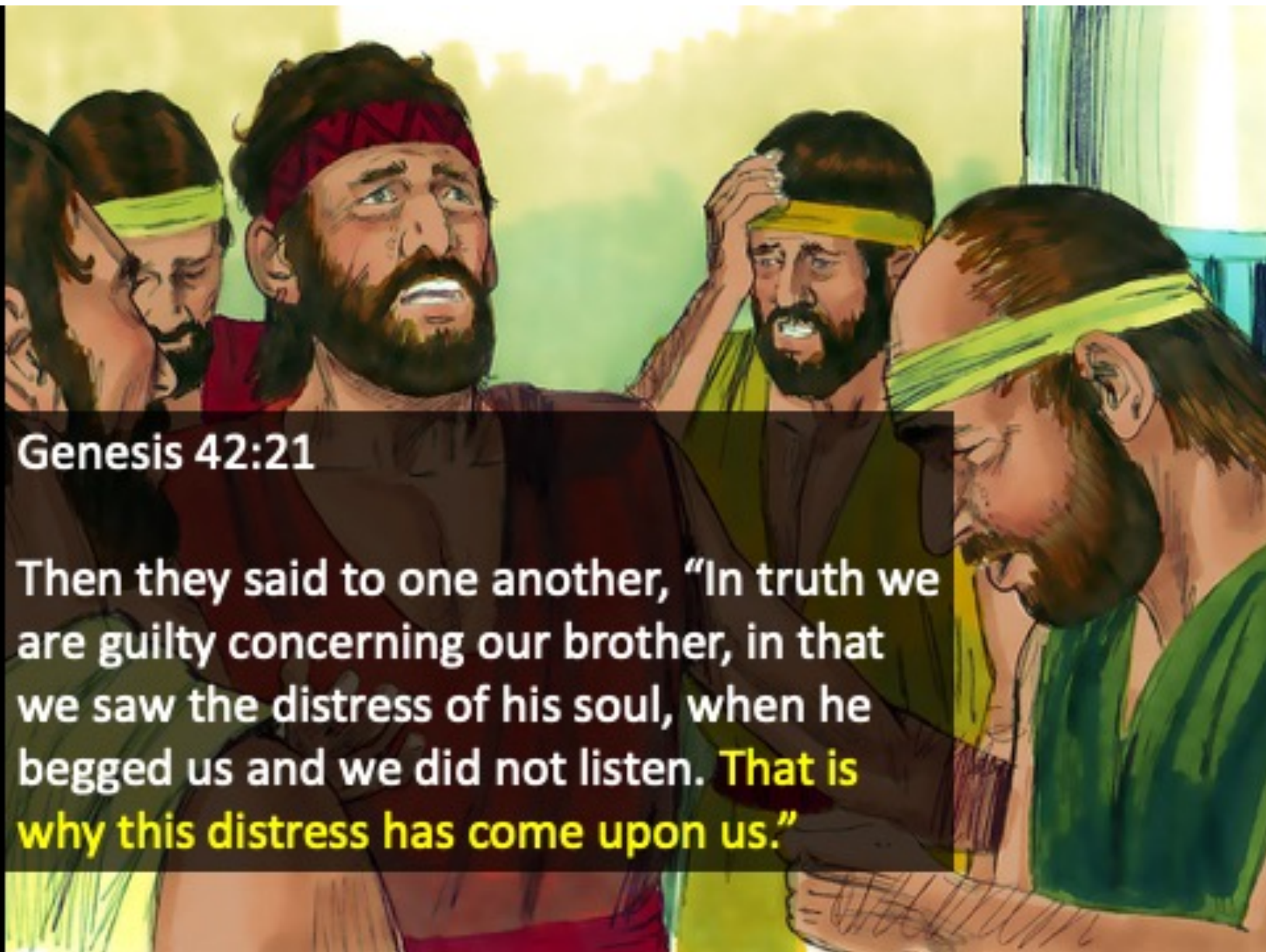
2. Guilt gives grief



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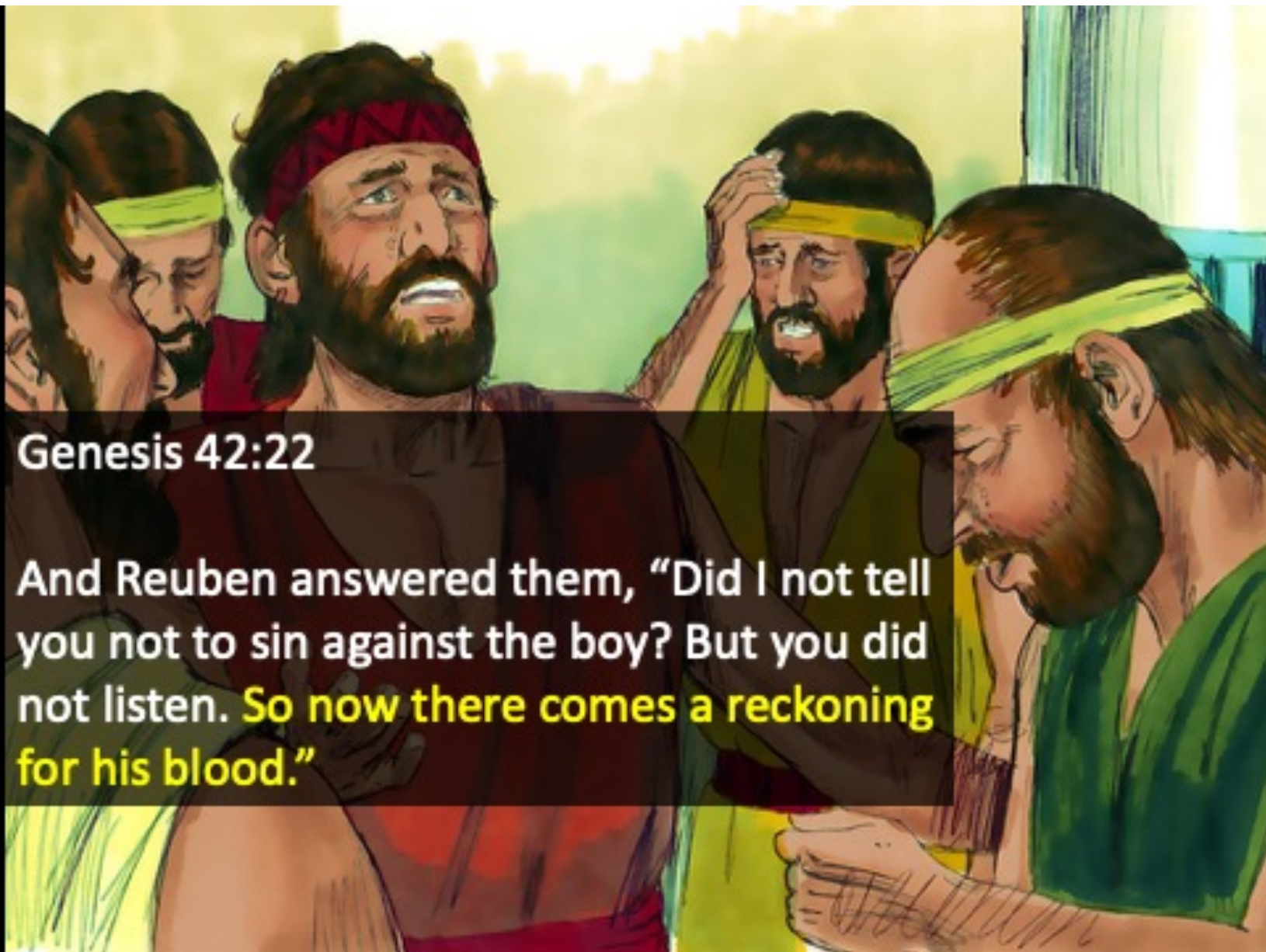






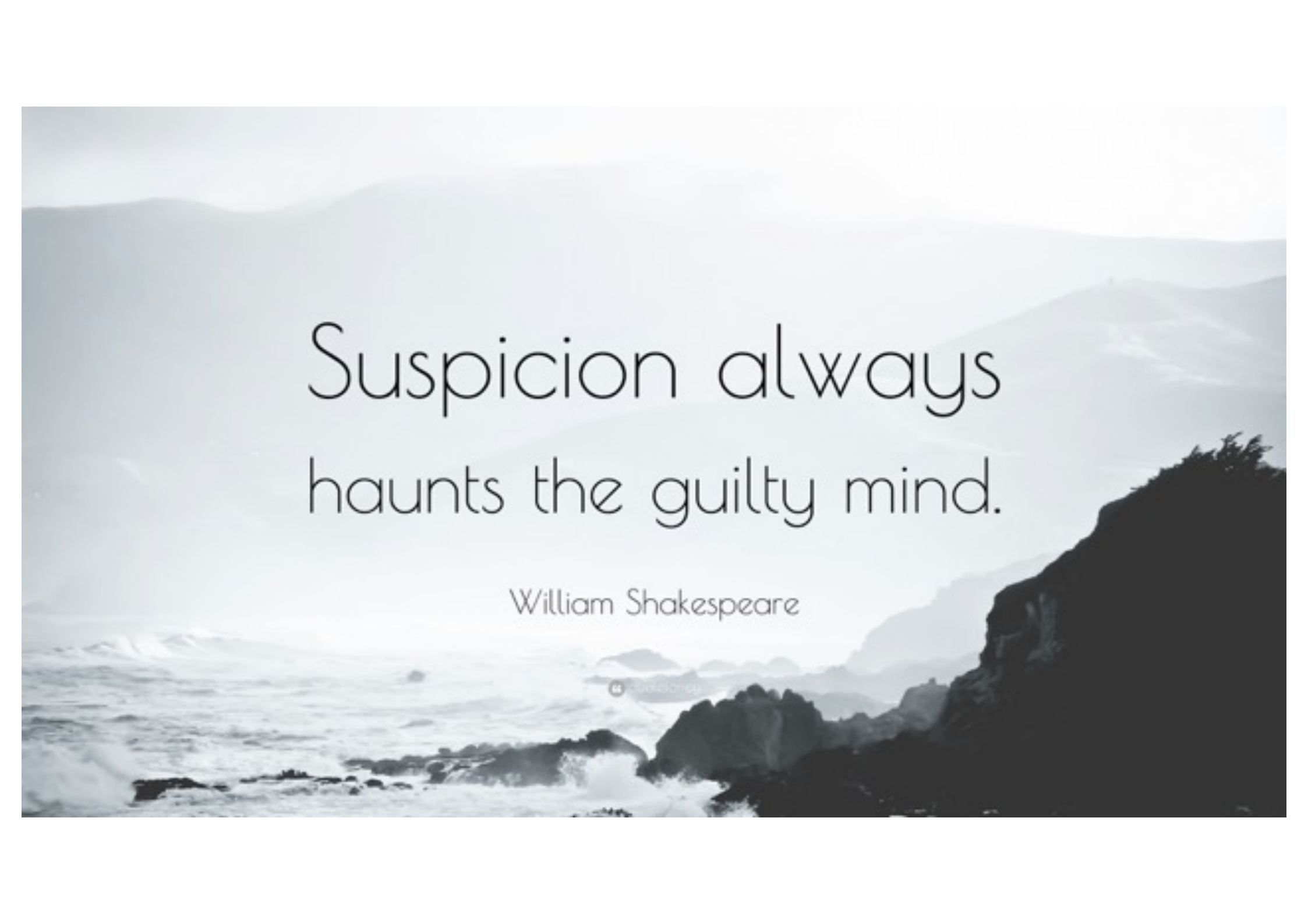
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Suspicion always
haunts the guilty mind.

William Shakespeare



**“If we confess our sins,
he is faithful and just
to forgive us our sins
and to cleanse us from
all unrighteousness.”**

1 JOHN 1:9

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3. Providence performs the promises



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Genesis 15:13

Then the LORD said to Abram, "Know for certain that your offspring will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs and will be servants there, and they will be afflicted for four hundred years.



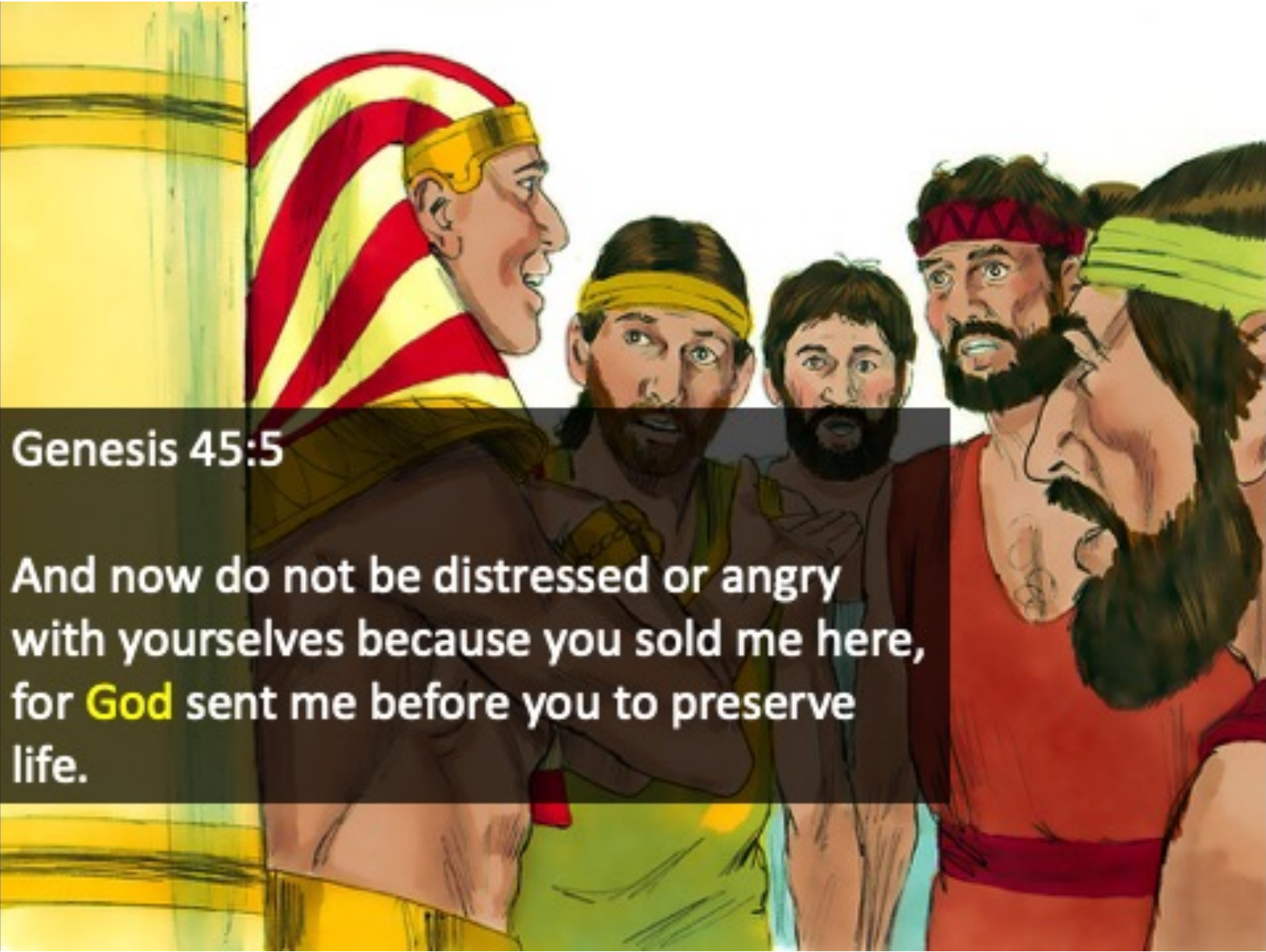
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Genesis 15:5

And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them."
Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be."




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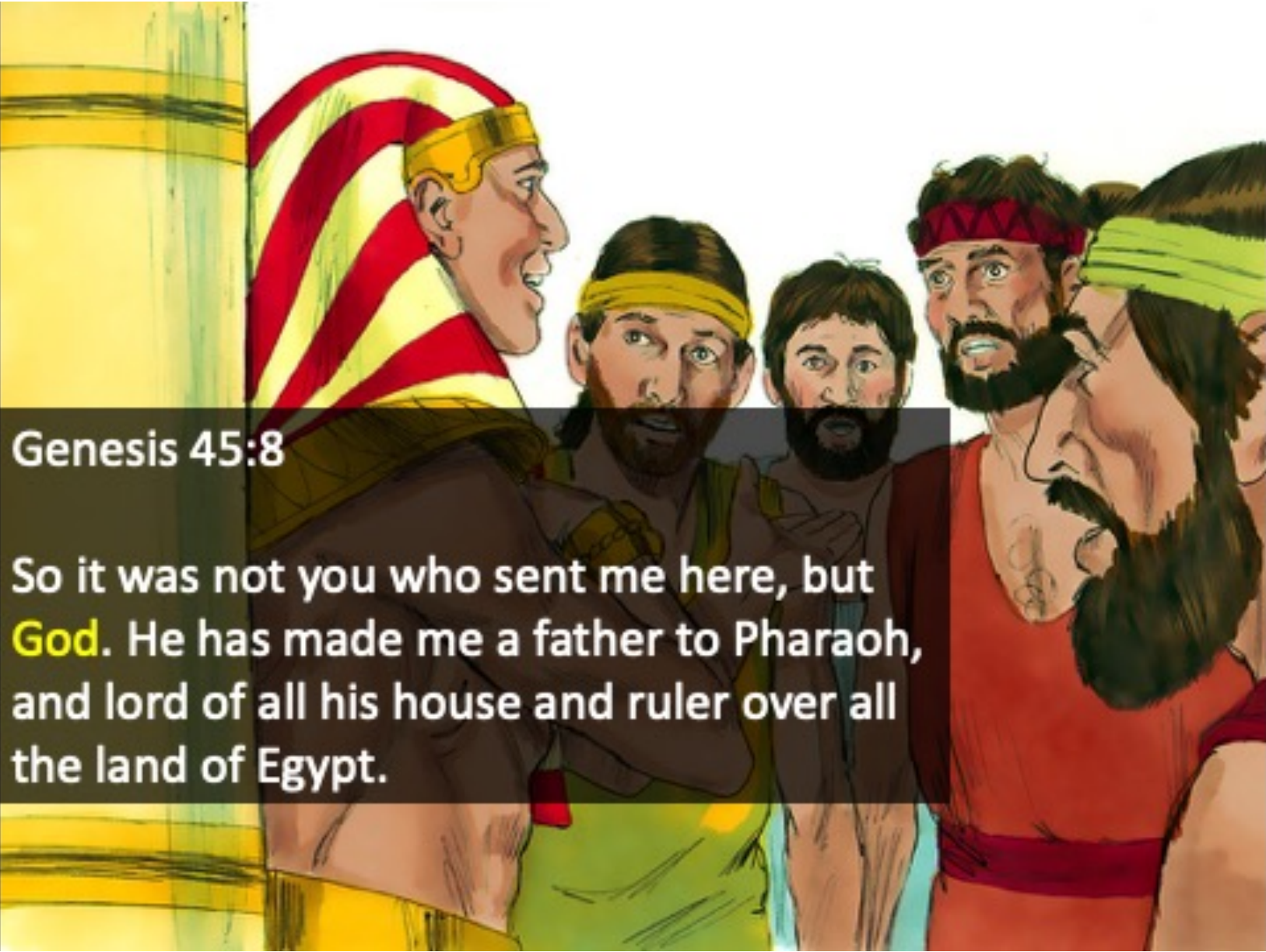
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