


An aerial photograph of a dry, winding riverbed in a desert landscape. The riverbed is light-colored and contrasts with the surrounding brown and tan terrain. A small figure of a person is visible in the distance, sitting on the edge of the riverbed. The sky is a clear, bright blue.

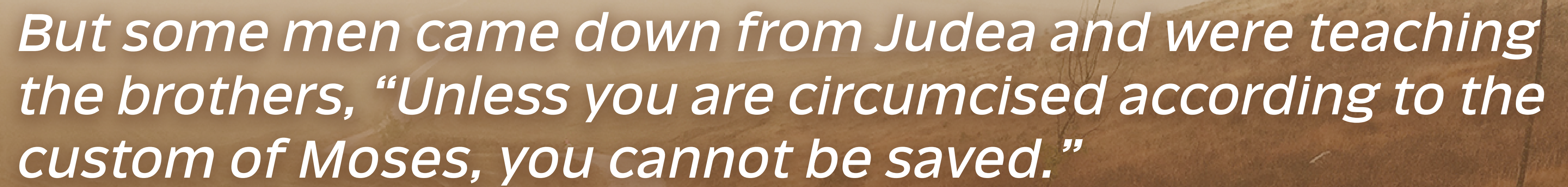
The Pillar of Grace

PASTOR ZAC HESS • ACTS 15:1-35

**SAVED
& SENT**
A SERIES IN ACTS

An aerial photograph of a dry, hilly landscape. A dirt road winds through the terrain, and a small figure of a person is visible in the distance. The text is overlaid on the bottom half of the image.

**Salvation by grace through faith
in Jesus is glorious good news.**

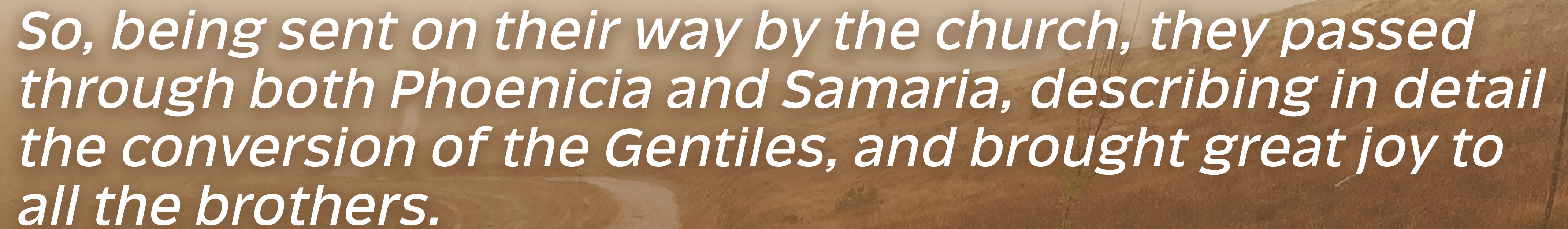


But some men came down from Judea and were teaching the brothers, “Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved.”

Acts 15:1

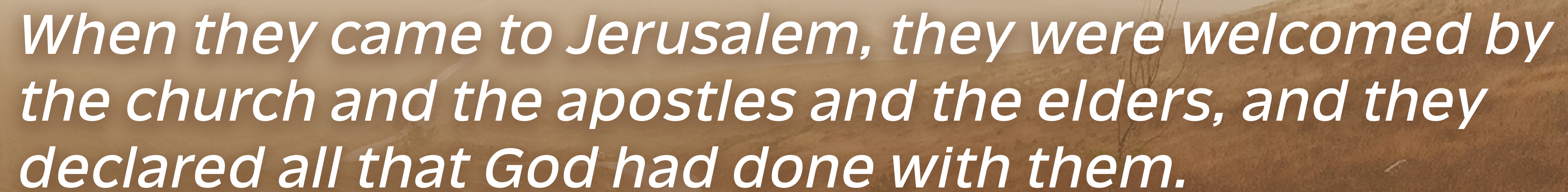
And after Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and the elders about this question.

Acts 15:2



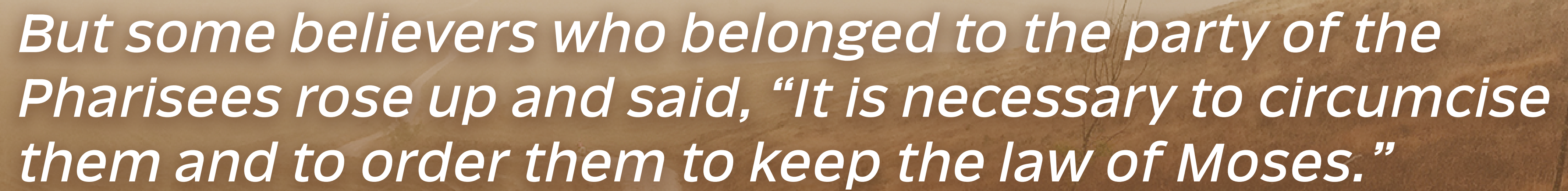
So, being sent on their way by the church, they passed through both Phoenicia and Samaria, describing in detail the conversion of the Gentiles, and brought great joy to all the brothers.

Acts 15:3



When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church and the apostles and the elders, and they declared all that God had done with them.

Acts 15:4



But some believers who belonged to the party of the Pharisees rose up and said, “It is necessary to circumcise them and to order them to keep the law of Moses.”

Acts 15:5



The apostles and the elders were gathered together to consider this matter.

Acts 15:6

And after there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, “Brothers, you know that in the early days God made a choice among you, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the Gospel and believe.

Acts 15:7



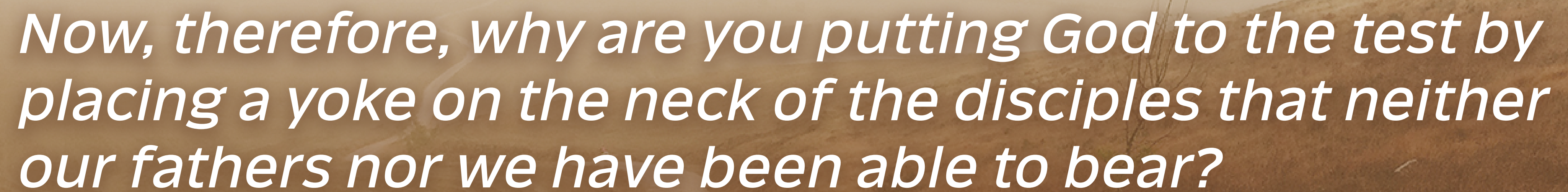
And God, who knows the heart, bore witness to them, by giving them the Holy Spirit just as He did to us,

Acts 15:8



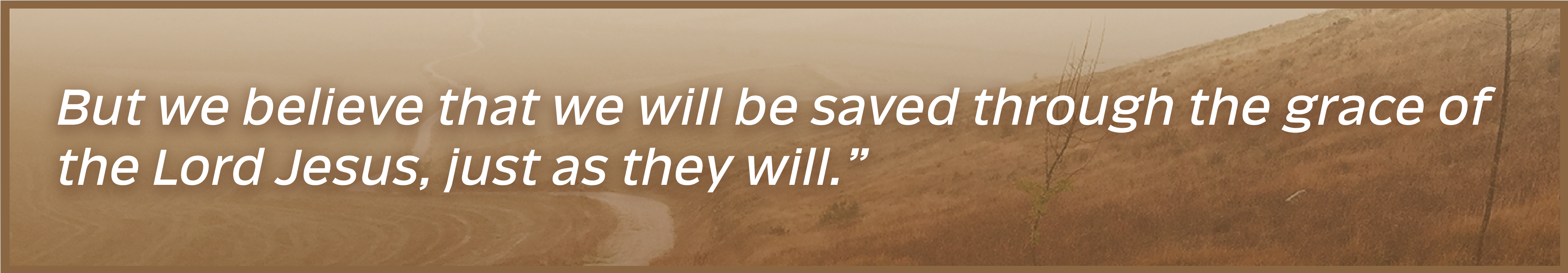
and He made no distinction between us and them, having cleansed their hearts by faith.

Acts 15:9



Now, therefore, why are you putting God to the test by placing a yoke on the neck of the disciples that neither our fathers nor we have been able to bear?

Acts 15:10

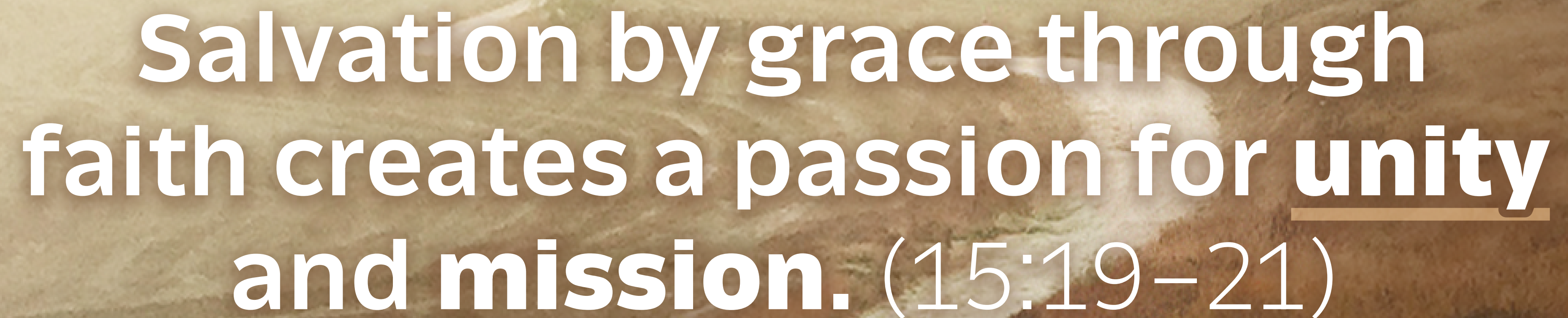


But we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will.”

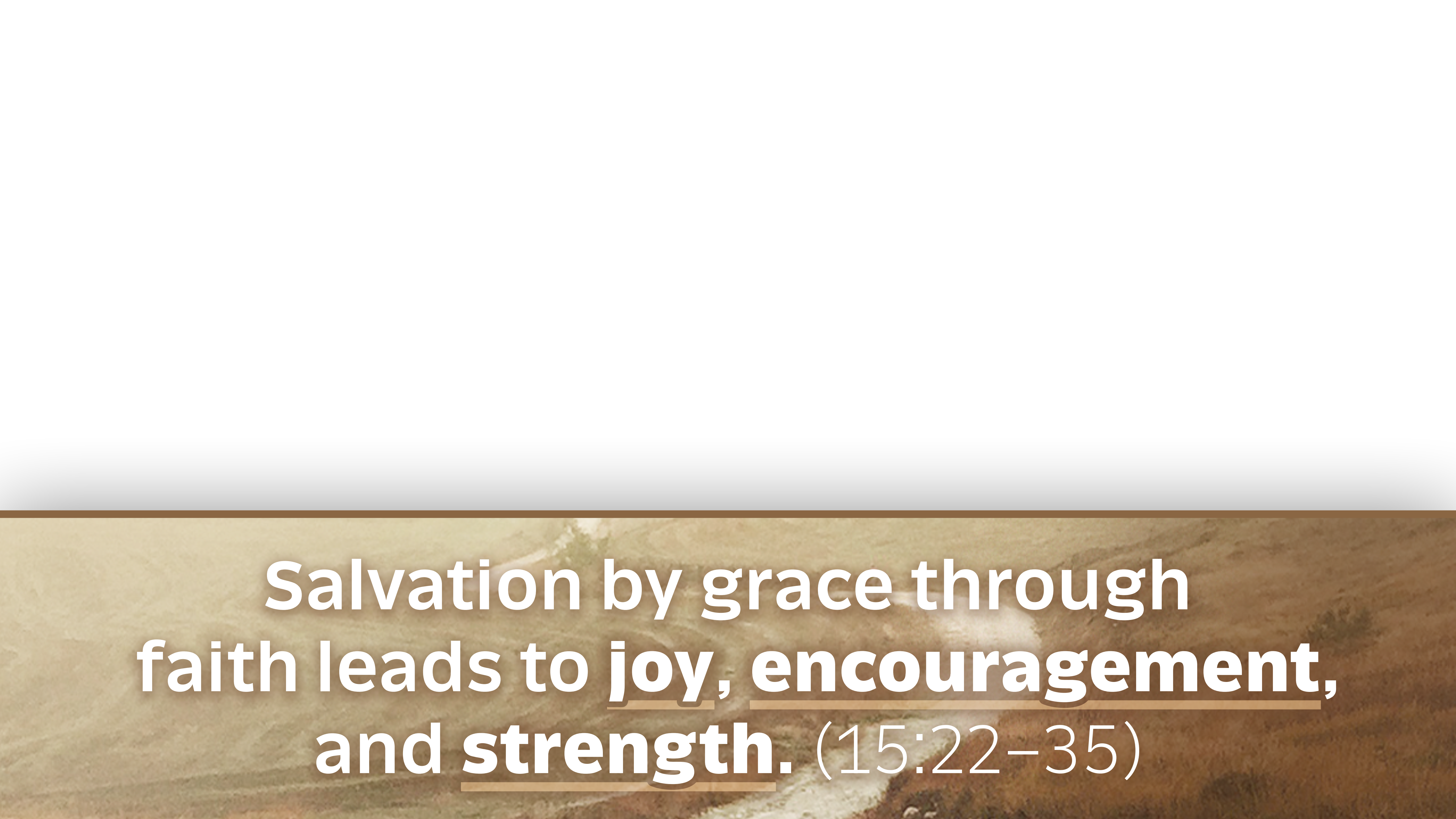
Acts 15:11

An aerial photograph of a dry, hilly landscape. A dirt road winds through the terrain, and a small figure of a person is visible walking on it. The overall tone is brown and arid.


**Salvation by grace through faith is
good news for all people. (15:1–18)**

A landscape painting showing a dirt path leading through a field towards a distant horizon. The path is the central focus, winding through a field of dry grass and small plants. The background shows a hazy, distant horizon under a pale sky. The overall tone is warm and earthy.

Salvation by grace through
faith creates a passion for unity
and mission. (15:19–21)



Salvation by grace through
faith leads to joy, encouragement,
and strength. (15:22–35)

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