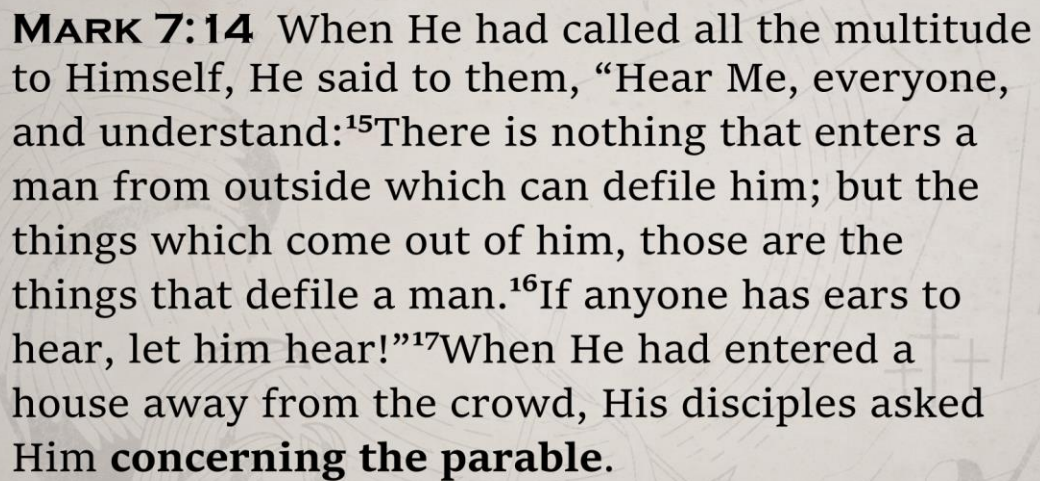




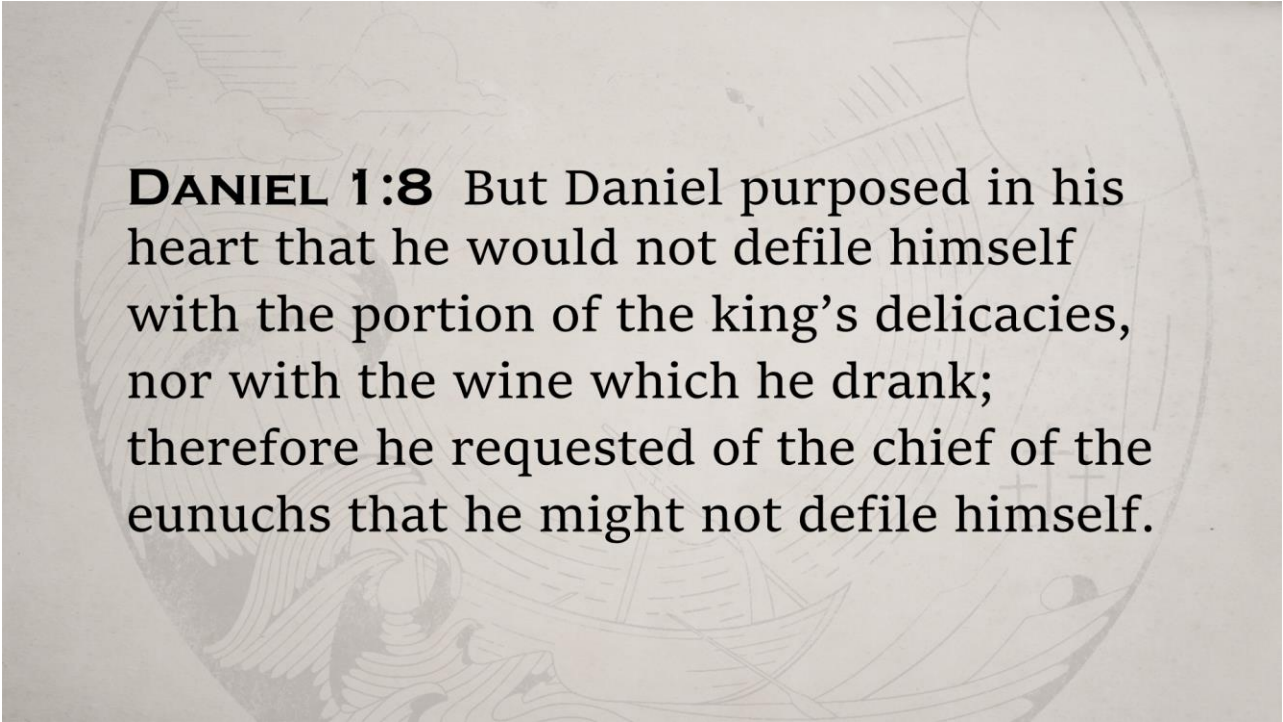
MARK: GOSPEL TRUTH
FOR A GROWING CHAOS

THE ENEMY ON THE INSIDE

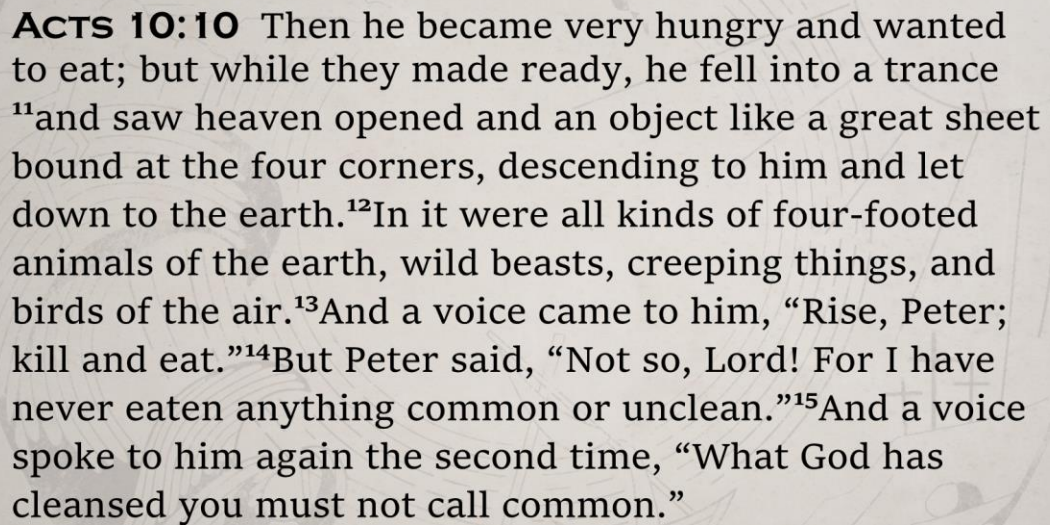
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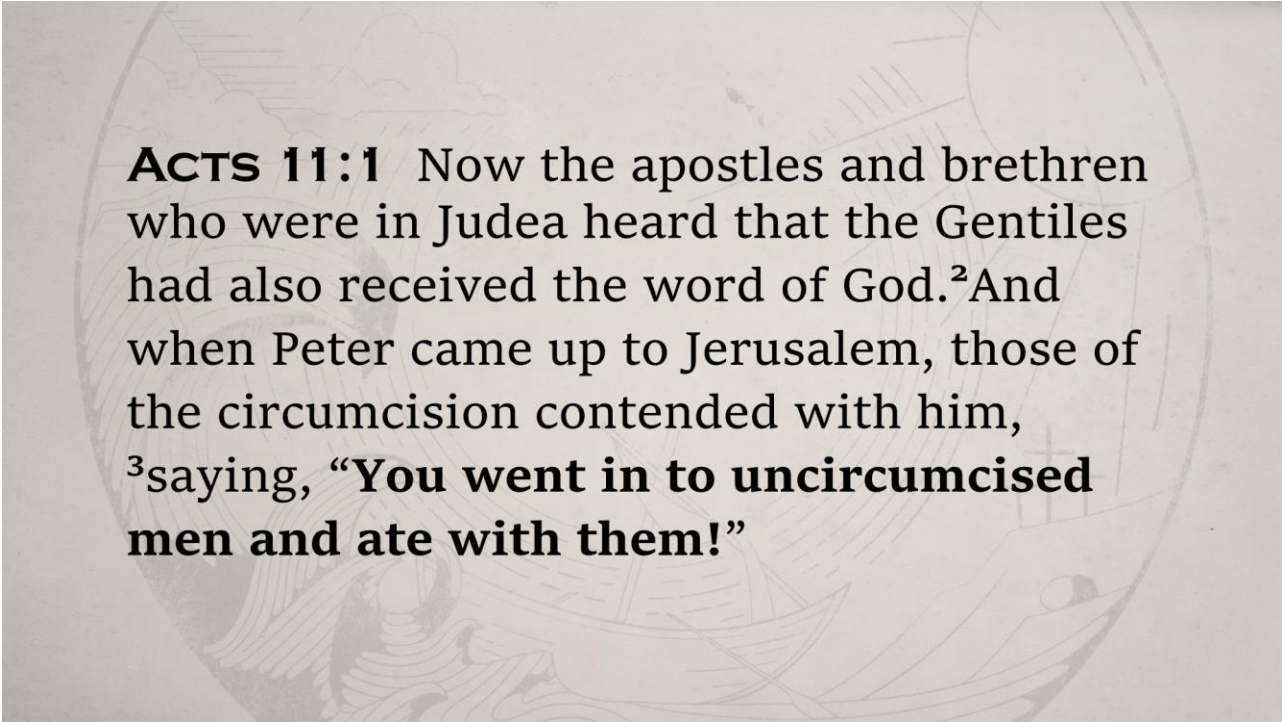
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DANIEL 1:8 But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king’s delicacies, nor with the wine which he drank; therefore he requested of the chief of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.



ACTS 10:10 Then he became very hungry and wanted to eat; but while they made ready, he fell into a trance¹¹and saw heaven opened and an object like a great sheet bound at the four corners, descending to him and let down to the earth.¹²In it were all kinds of four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, creeping things, and birds of the air.¹³And a voice came to him, “Rise, Peter; kill and eat.”¹⁴But Peter said, “Not so, Lord! For I have never eaten anything common or unclean.”¹⁵And a voice spoke to him again the second time, “What God has cleansed you must not call common.”



ACTS 11:1 Now the apostles and brethren who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of God.²And when Peter came up to Jerusalem, those of the circumcision contended with him,³saying, “**You went in to uncircumcised men and ate with them!**”

COLOSSIANS 2:14 Having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.
¹⁵Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.¹⁶So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a new moon or sabbaths,¹⁷which are a shadow of things to come, but the substance is of Christ.

THE ELEMENTS OF THE PARABLE

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THE APPLICATION OF THE PARABLE

MARK 7:17 When He had left the people and entered the house, His disciples asked Him concerning the parable.¹⁸He said to them, “Are you so without understanding also? Do you not know that anything from the outside that enters a man cannot defile him,¹⁹because **it does not enter his heart, but into his stomach, and goes out into the sewer, thus purifying all foods?**”

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JAMES 1:14 But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.¹⁵Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.

GALATIANS 5:24 And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.²⁵If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

THE APPLICATION OF THE PARABLE

EZEKIEL 36:26 “I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.²⁷I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them.”

THE APPLICATION OF THE PARABLE

ROMANS 10:8 But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith which we preach):⁹that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.¹⁰For **with the heart one believes unto righteousness**, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.