

A person is standing in a dark, cavernous space, illuminated by a vertical beam of light from above. The person is silhouetted against the light, and the beam creates a bright, hazy column of light that tapers towards the top. The overall atmosphere is dark and mysterious, with the light providing a focal point and a sense of hope or revelation.

THE GOSPEL OF
JOHN

**The Light Shines
in the Darkness**

CHAPTER 12:44-50

“Famous Last Words”

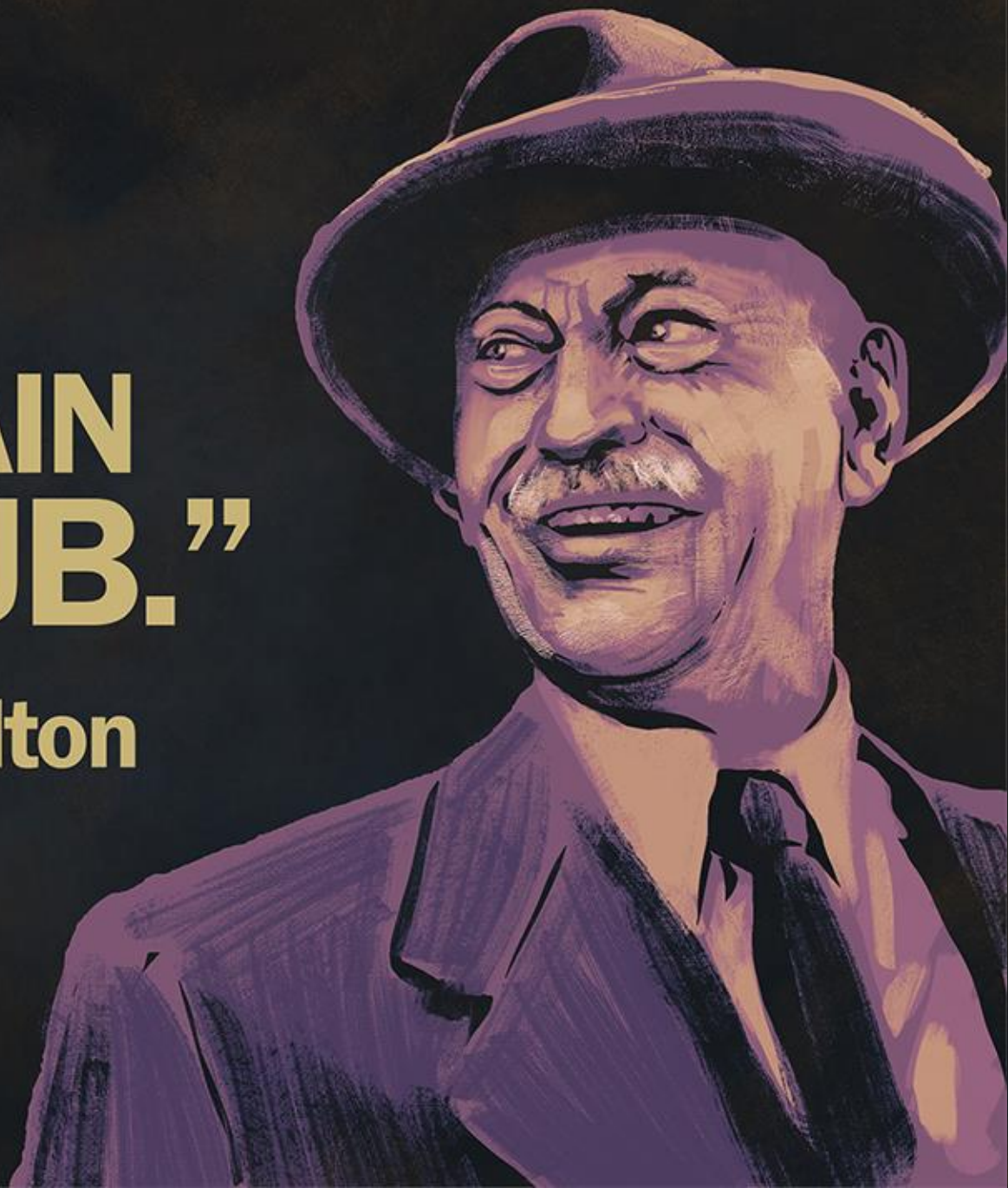


**“MONEY CAN’T BUY
LIFE.”**

Bob Marley

**“LEAVE THE
SHOWER CURTAIN
INSIDE THE TUB.”**

Conrad Hilton



“I’M BORED WITH IT ALL.”

Winston Churchill



John 12

³⁷ But despite all the miraculous signs Jesus had done, most of the people still did not believe in him.

⁴² Many people did believe in him, however, including some of the Jewish leaders. But they wouldn't admit it for fear that the Pharisees would expel them from the synagogue. ⁴³ For they loved human praise more than the praise of God.

John 12

⁴⁴ Jesus shouted to the crowds, “If you trust me, you are trusting not only me, but also God who sent me. ⁴⁵ For when you see me, you are seeing the one who sent me. ⁴⁶ I have come as a light to shine in this dark world, so that all who put their trust in me will no longer remain in the dark.

Jesus desperately wants us to trust him



John 12

⁴⁷ I will not judge those who hear me but don't obey me, for I have come to save the world and not to judge it. ⁴⁸ But all who reject me and my message will be judged on the day of judgment by the truth I have spoken.

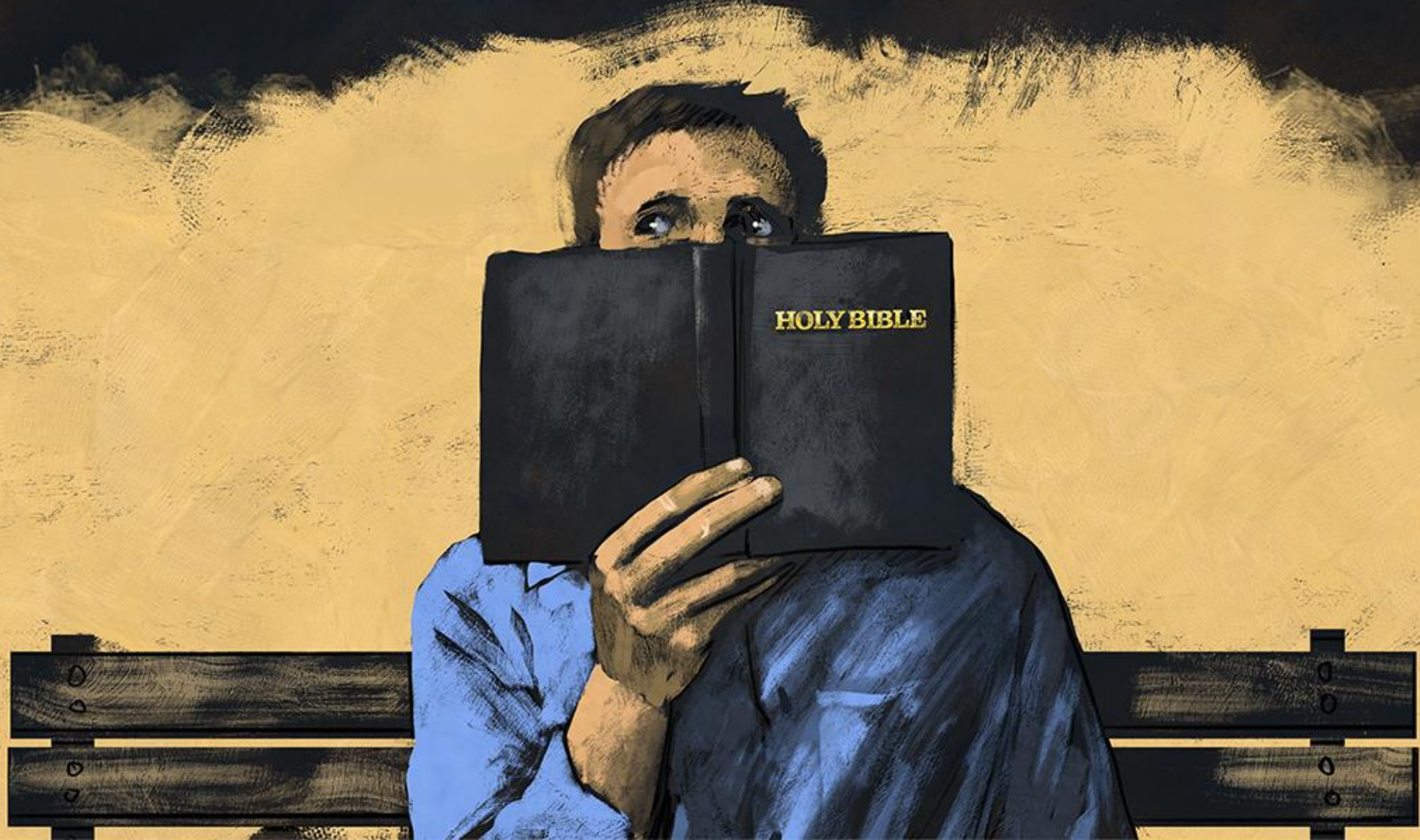
Jesus desperately wants to save us



John 12

49 I don't speak on my own authority. The Father who sent me has commanded me what to say and how to say it. 50 And I know his commands lead to eternal life; so I say whatever the Father tells me to say."

How will we respond to what
Jesus says?



Luke 23 (ESV)

46 Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!” And having said this he breathed his last.

