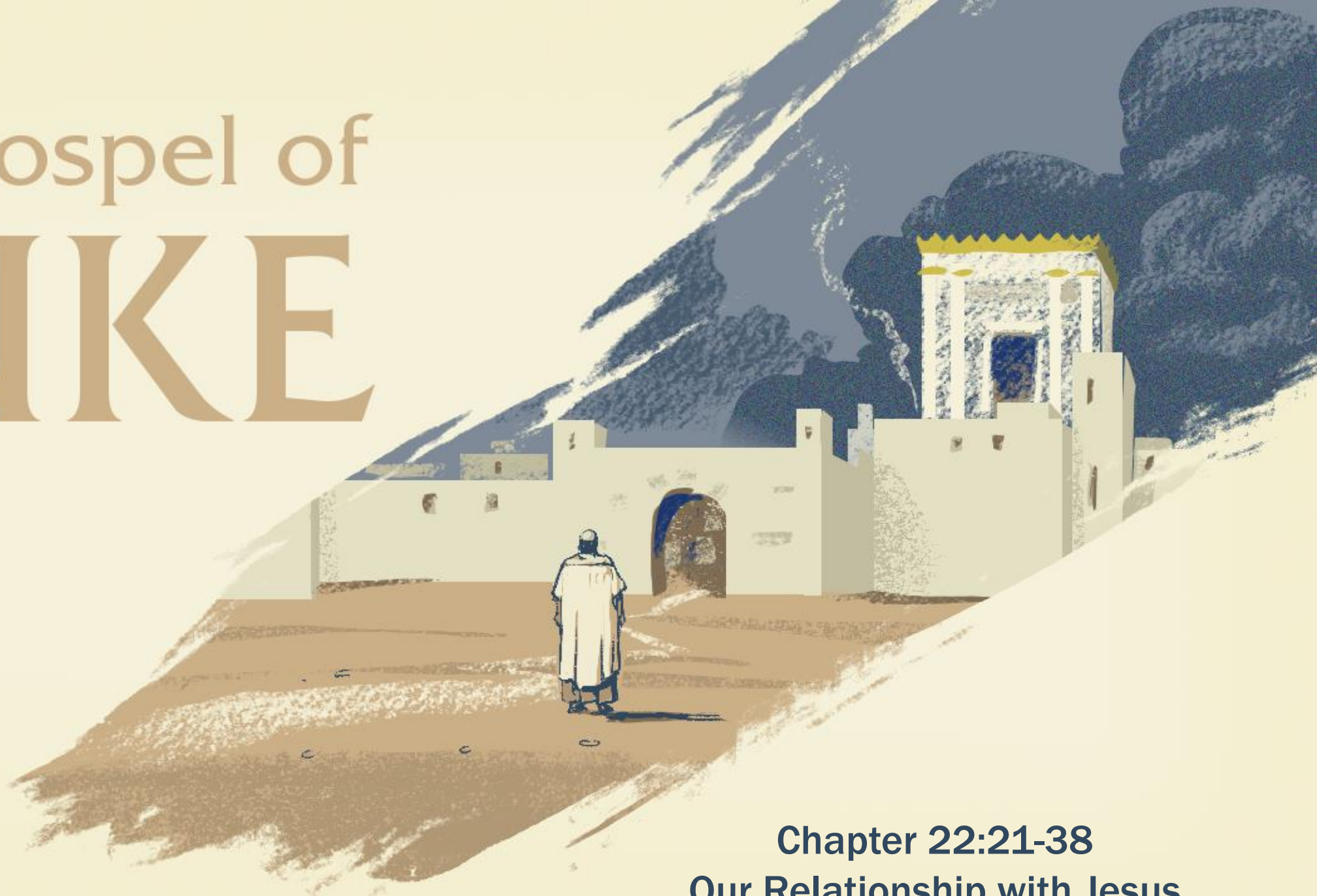


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Chapter 22:21-38
Our Relationship with Jesus

Luke 22

21 “But here at this table, sitting among us as a friend, is the man who will betray me. 22 For it has been determined that the Son of Man must die. But what sorrow awaits the one who betrays him.” 23 The disciples began to ask each other which of them would ever do such a thing.

OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS MUST GO FARTHER THAN MERE ASSOCIATION



Luke 22

²⁴ Then they began to argue among themselves about who would be the greatest among them. ²⁵ Jesus told them, “In this world the kings and great men lord it over their people, yet they are called ‘friends of the people.’ ²⁶ But among you it will be different. Those who are the greatest among you should take the lowest rank, and the leader should be like a servant.

Luke 22

27 Who is more important, the one who sits at the table or the one who serves? The one who sits at the table, of course. But not here! For I am among you as one who serves.

OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS PROMPTS US TO SERVICE, NOT A GRASP FOR POWER



Luke 22

28 “You have stayed with me in my time of trial. 29
And just as my Father has granted me a Kingdom,
I now grant you the right 30 to eat and drink at my
table in my Kingdom. And you will sit on thrones,
judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Luke 22

³¹ “Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift each of you like wheat. ³² But I have pleaded in prayer for you, Simon, that your faith should not fail. So when you have repented and turned to me again, strengthen your brothers.” ³³ Peter said, “Lord, I am ready to go to prison with you, and even to die with you.”

Luke 22

³⁴ But Jesus said, “Peter, let me tell you something. Before the rooster crows tomorrow morning, you will deny three times that you even know me.”

OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS ENSURES THAT FAILURE IS REDEEMABLE



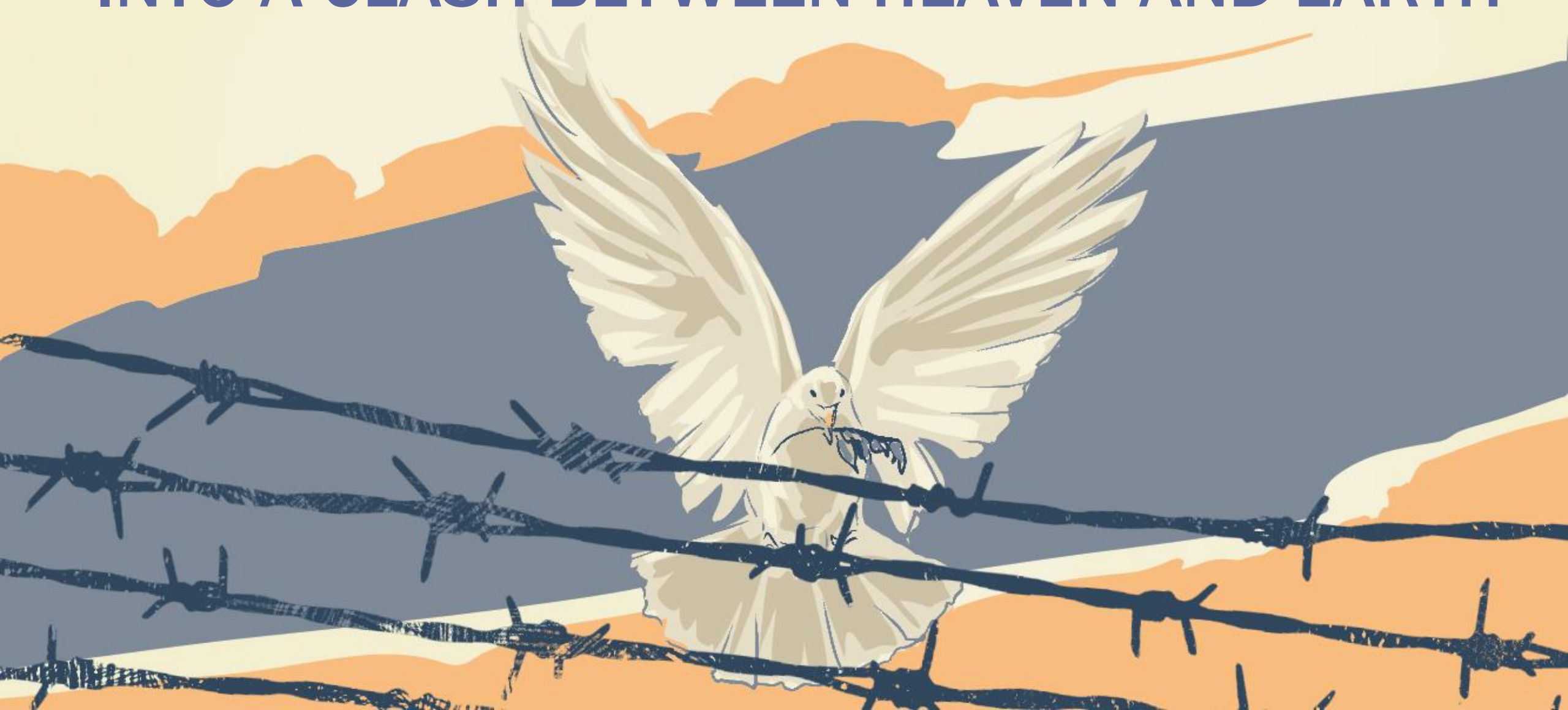
Luke 22

³⁵ Then Jesus asked them, “When I sent you out to preach the Good News and you did not have money, a traveler’s bag, or an extra pair of sandals, did you need anything?” “No,” they replied. ³⁶ “But now,” he said, “take your money and a traveler’s bag. And if you don’t have a sword, sell your cloak and buy one!

Luke 22

37 For the time has come for this prophecy about me to be fulfilled: 'He was counted among the rebels.' Yes, everything written about me by the prophets will come true." 38 "Look, Lord," they replied, "we have two swords among us." "That's enough," he said.

OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS DRAWS US INTO A CLASH BETWEEN HEAVEN AND EARTH



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