

ACTS 11



¹The apostles and the brothers throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God.



²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him ³and said, "You went into the house of uncircumcised men and ate with them."

untold secrets

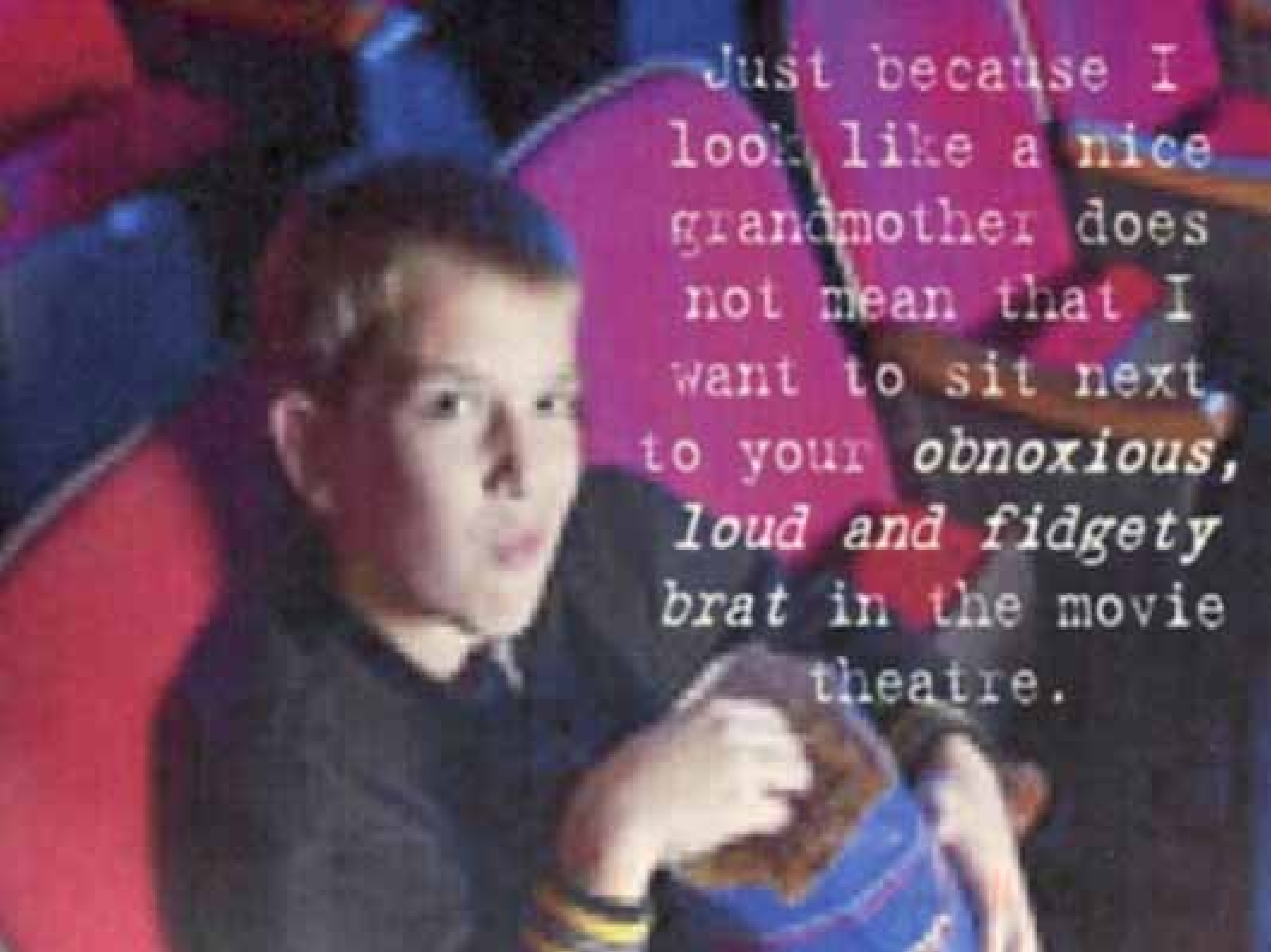


The first night

with my black

I shared a room

roommate I locked my suitcase.

A young boy with short brown hair and a surprised expression is sitting in a movie theater. He is wearing a dark blue sweater and has his hands clasped in front of him. The background is filled with the colorful, curved backs of theater seats in shades of red, blue, and purple. The lighting is dim, typical of a movie theater.

Just because I
look like a nice
grandmother does
not mean that I
want to sit next
to your *obnoxious,*
loud and fidgety
brat in the movie
theatre.



**a culture
of division**



Holy Holy Holy



set apart

**an attitude of
arrogance**



superiority

rejection



set apart



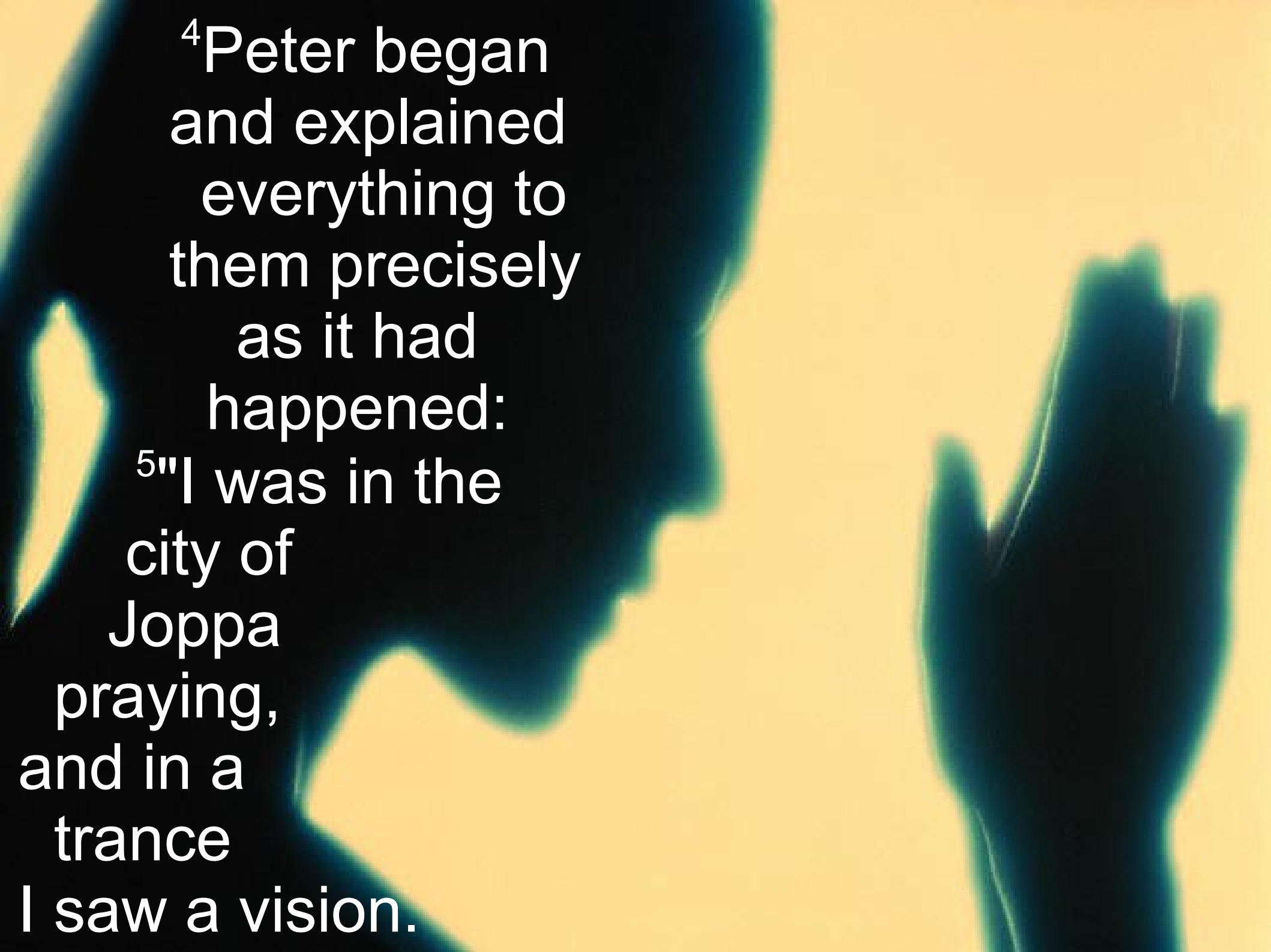








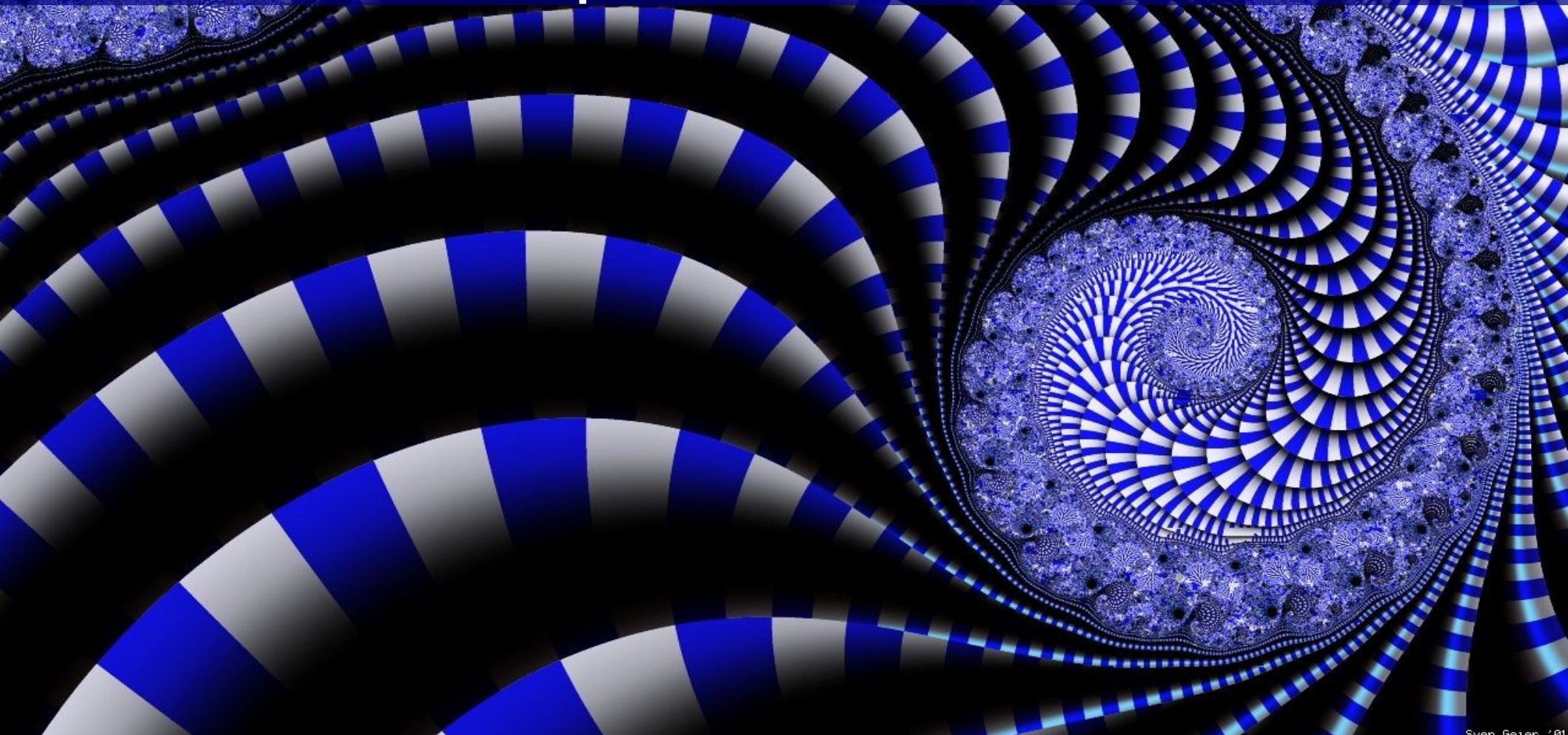


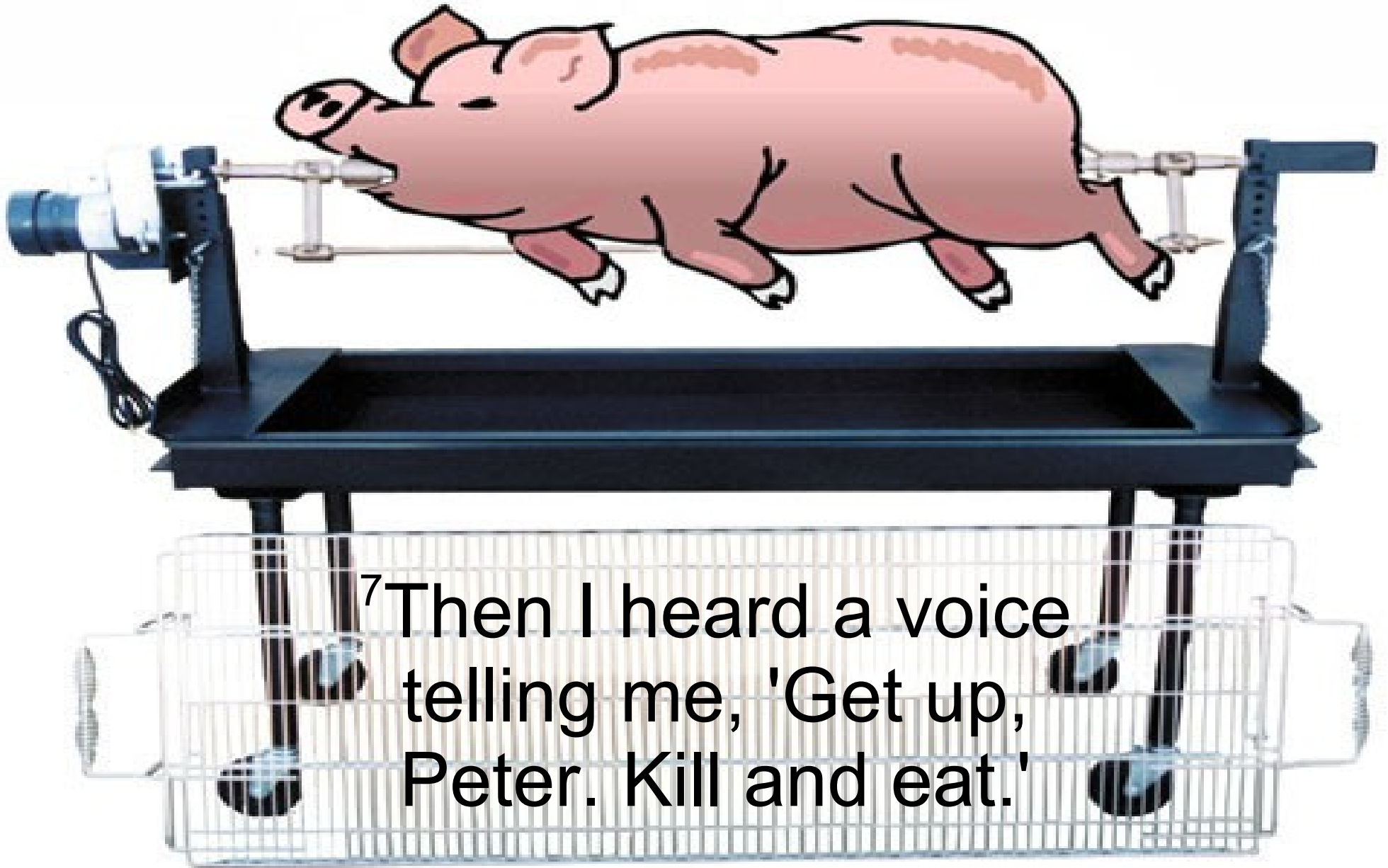


⁴Peter began
and explained
everything to
them precisely
as it had
happened:

⁵"I was in the
city of
Joppa
praying,
and in a
trance
I saw a vision.

I saw something like a large sheet being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to where I was. ⁶I looked into it and saw four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, reptiles, and birds of the air.





⁷Then I heard a voice
telling me, 'Get up,
Peter. Kill and eat.'



⁸"I replied, 'Surely not, Lord! Nothing impure or unclean has ever entered my mouth.'

⁹"The voice spoke from heaven a second time, 'Do not call anything impure that God has made clean.'
¹⁰This happened three times, and then it was all pulled up to heaven again.





¹¹"Right then three men who had been sent to me from Caesarea stopped at the house where I was staying.



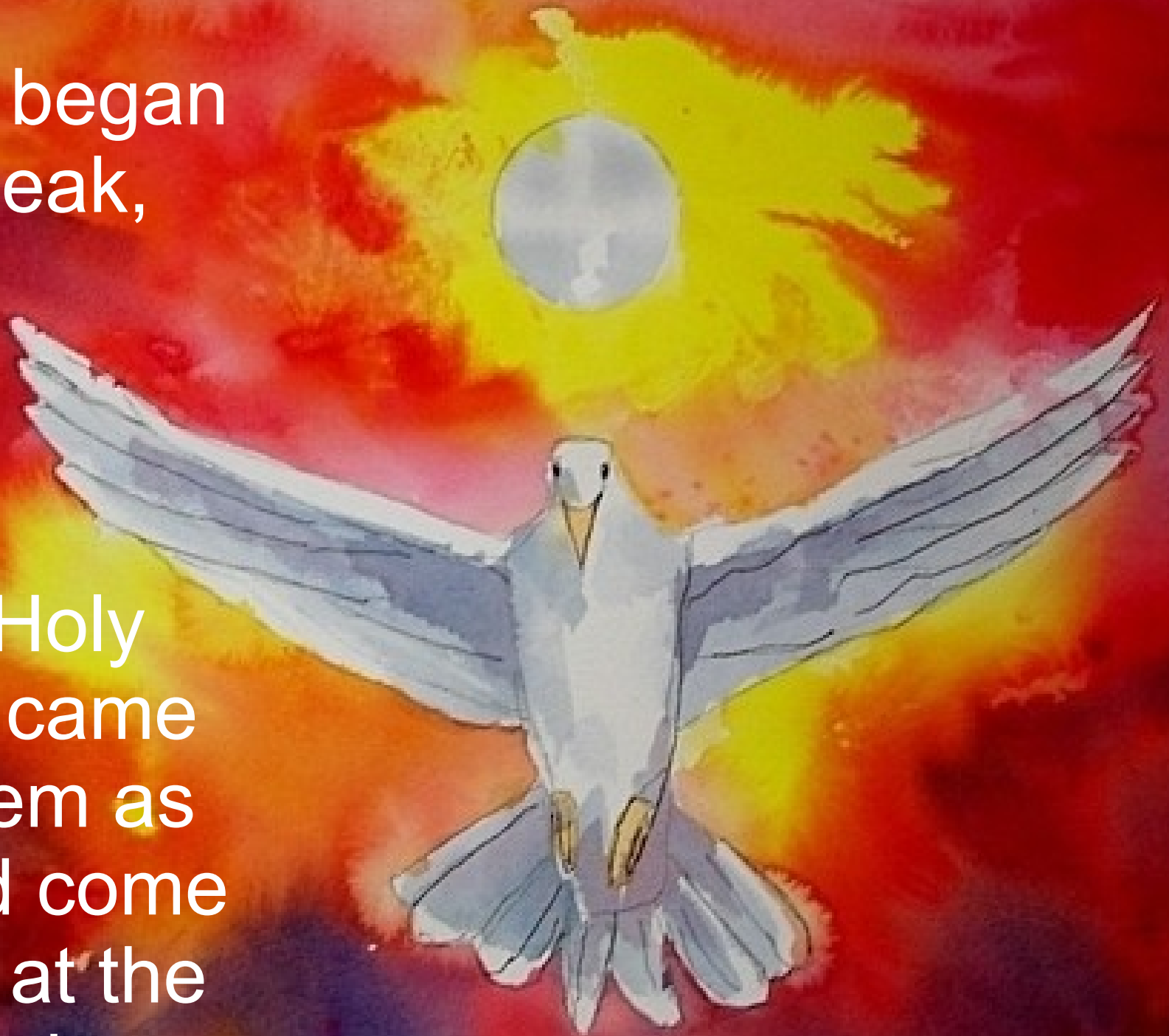
¹²The Spirit told me to have no hesitation about going with them. These six brothers also went with me, and we entered the man's house.



¹³He told us how he had seen an angel appear in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa for Simon who is called Peter. ¹⁴He will bring you a message through which you and all your household will be saved.'

¹⁵"As I began
to speak,

the Holy
Spirit came
on them as
he had come
on us at the
beginning.





¹⁶Then I remembered what the Lord had said: 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.'

¹⁷So if God gave them the same gift as he gave us, who believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I to think that I could oppose God?"





¹⁸When they heard this, they had no further objections and praised God, saying, "So then, God has granted even the Gentiles repentance unto life."

We Need HUMILITY to...

Understand that we
can not grasp
all that God is doing
or going to do.





We must

RESPOND TO GOD

despite our history

and allow God to

change our attitudes

God is moving us from a
attitude of Separation
to a
attitude of Belonging



set apart

