

Matthew 16:13-20...Matthew 16:21-23



Built in Christ Jesus:

The Mystery Fully Revealed  
(Ephesians 3:2-6)



# 1 God is a Revealing God

He doesn't hide from us (Gen. 3:8-9)

He draws men to Himself (John 6:41-45)

Without revelation, we are hopeless  
(Eph. 2:1-7)

**NONE** of us initiates (Rom. 3:9-18)

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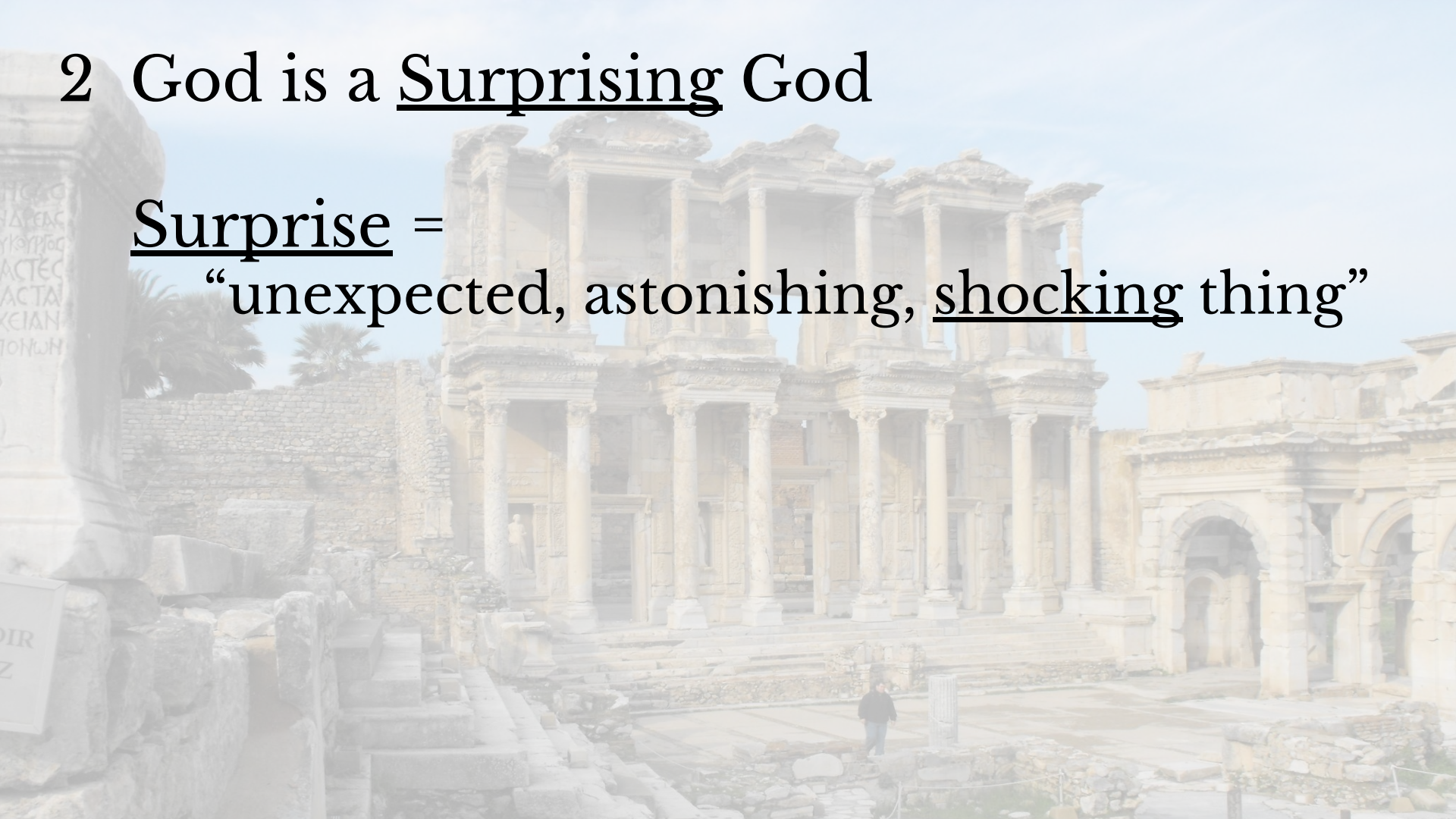




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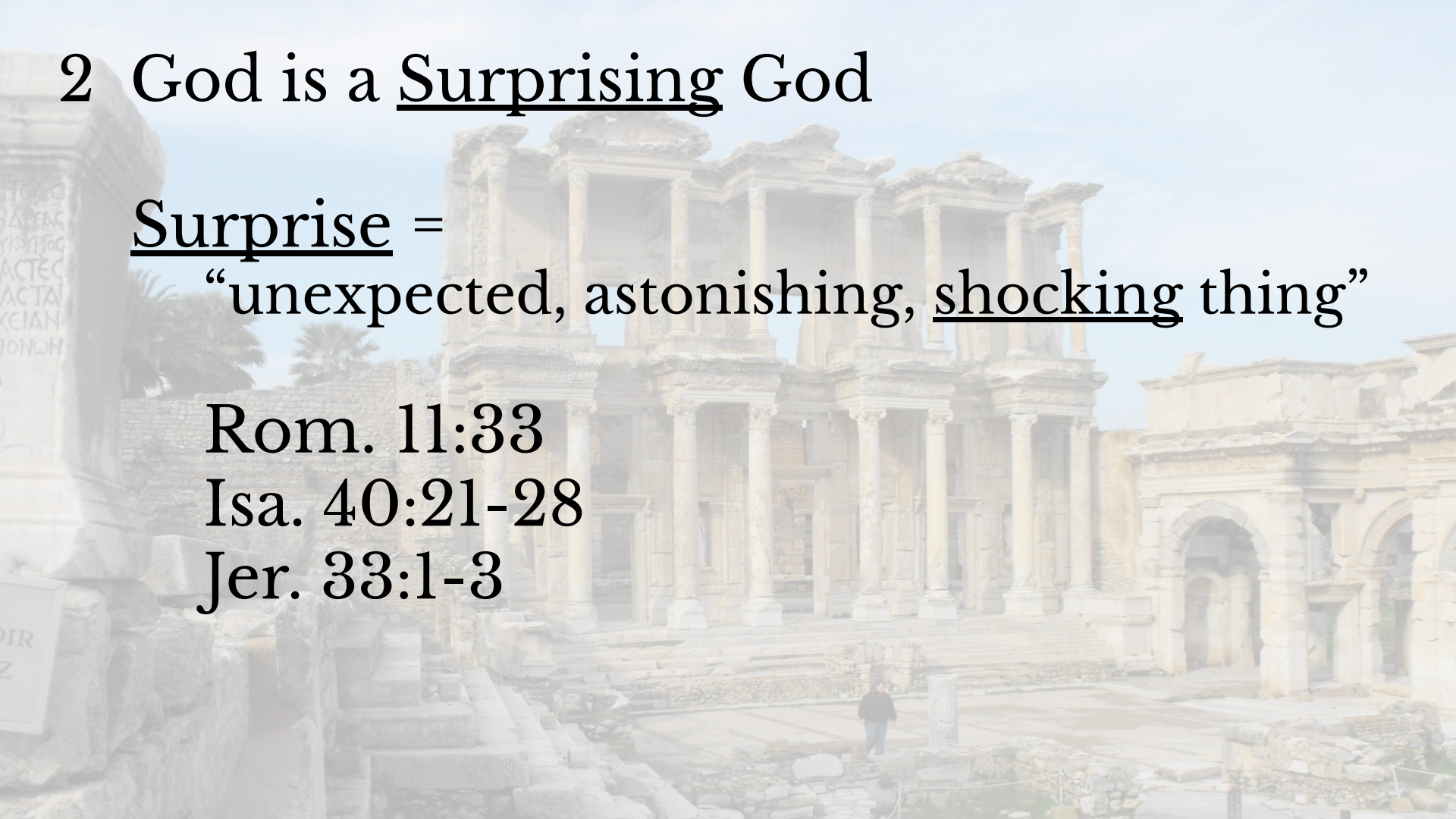
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Rom. 11:33

Isa. 40:21-28

Jer. 33:1-3





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Eph. 3:6 – “To be specific...  
(about the content of the mystery)

The Gentiles are fellow-heirs,  
and fellow members of the body,  
and fellow partakers of ‘the Promise’  
in Christ Jesus  
through the Gospel.”

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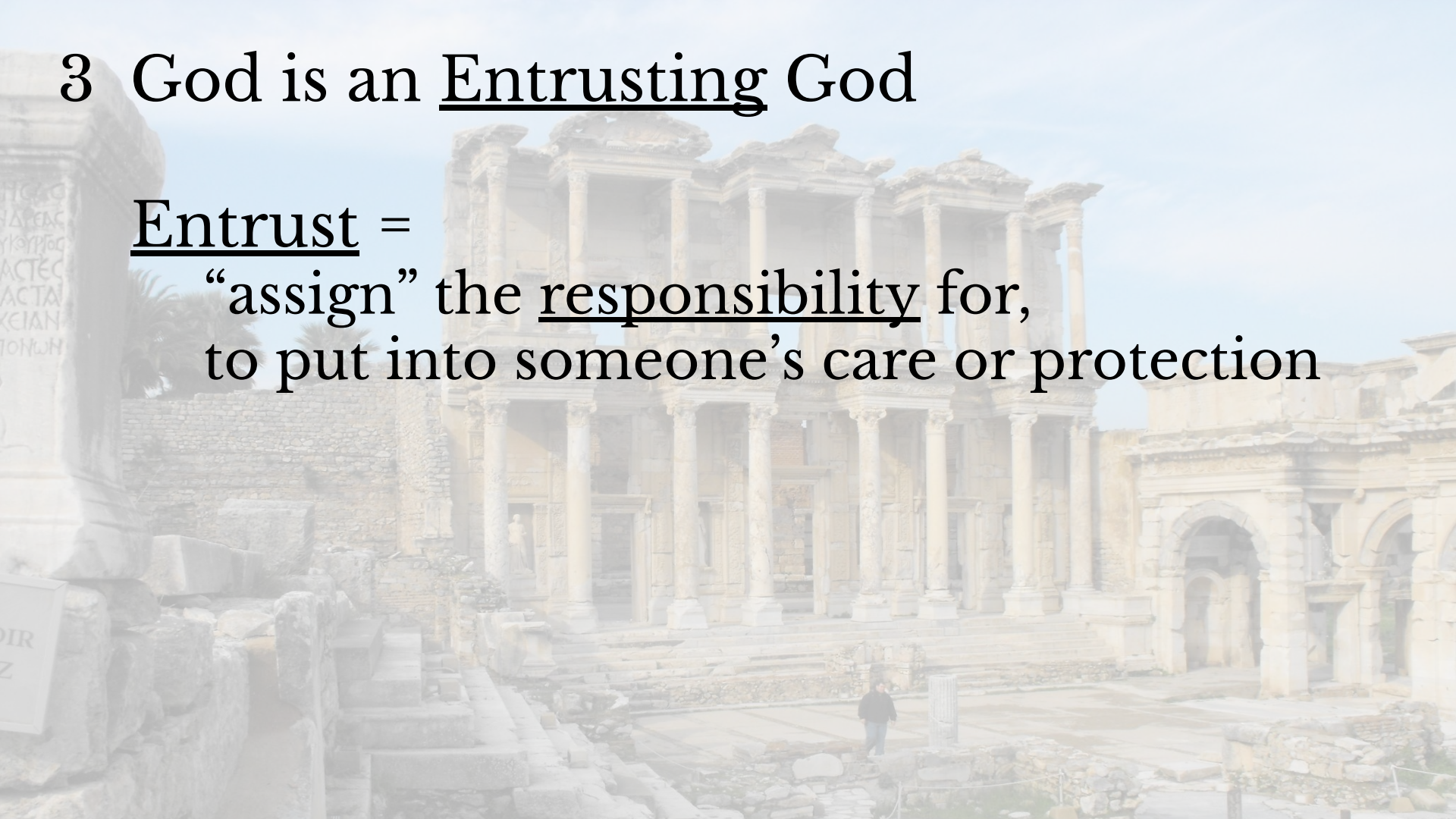




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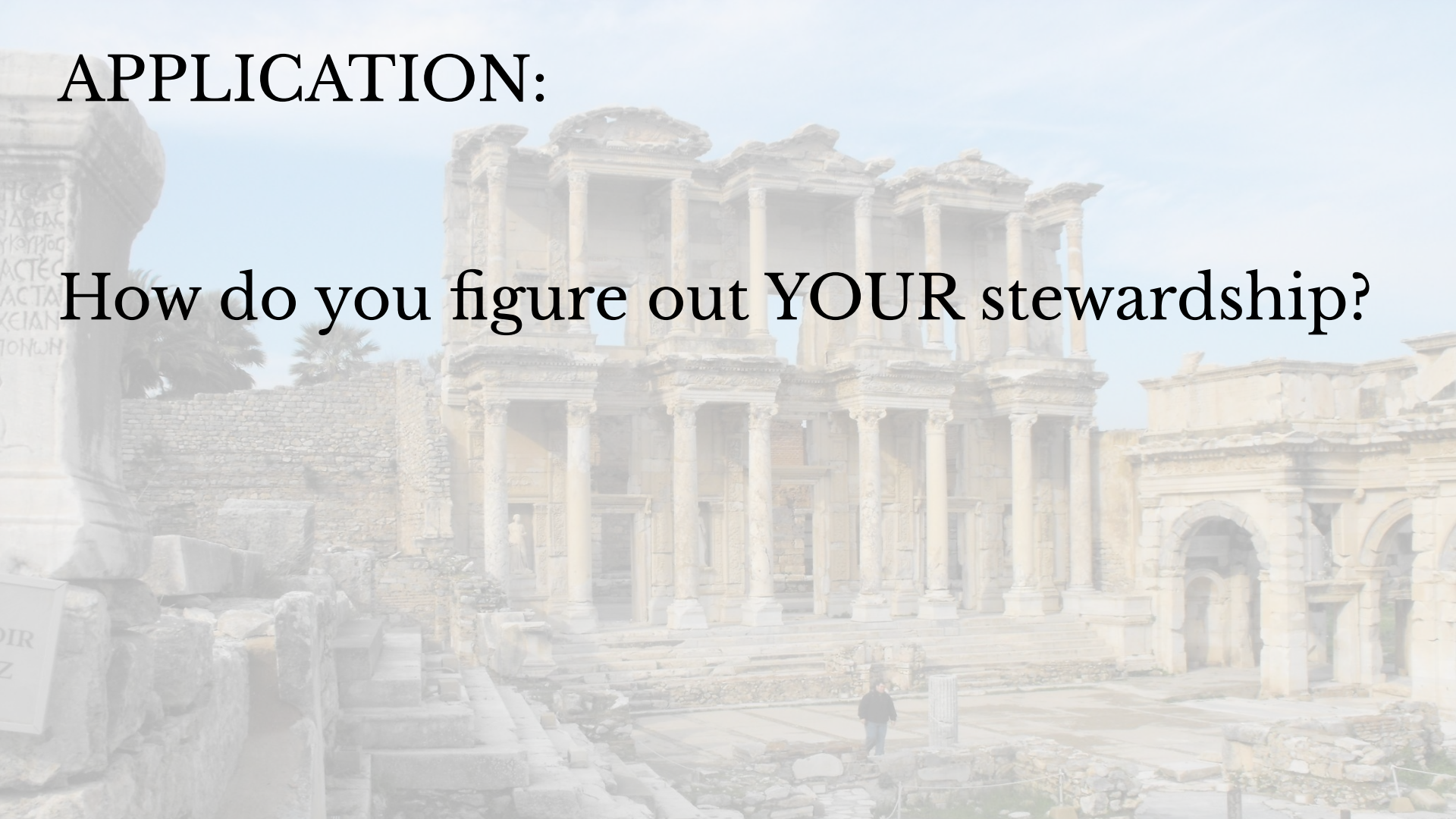
Entrust =

“assign” the responsibility for,  
to put into someone’s care or protection



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Psalms 25: 4, 12, 14

Prov. 3:32

Prov. 4:18-19



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The dangers of “gift projection” and  
“vision envy.”





# stories

that *teach* with Chris Brown





