













Built In Christ Jesus:

Spirit-filled Christians  
submit to Christ and,  
therefore, to each other  
(Eph. 5:21)

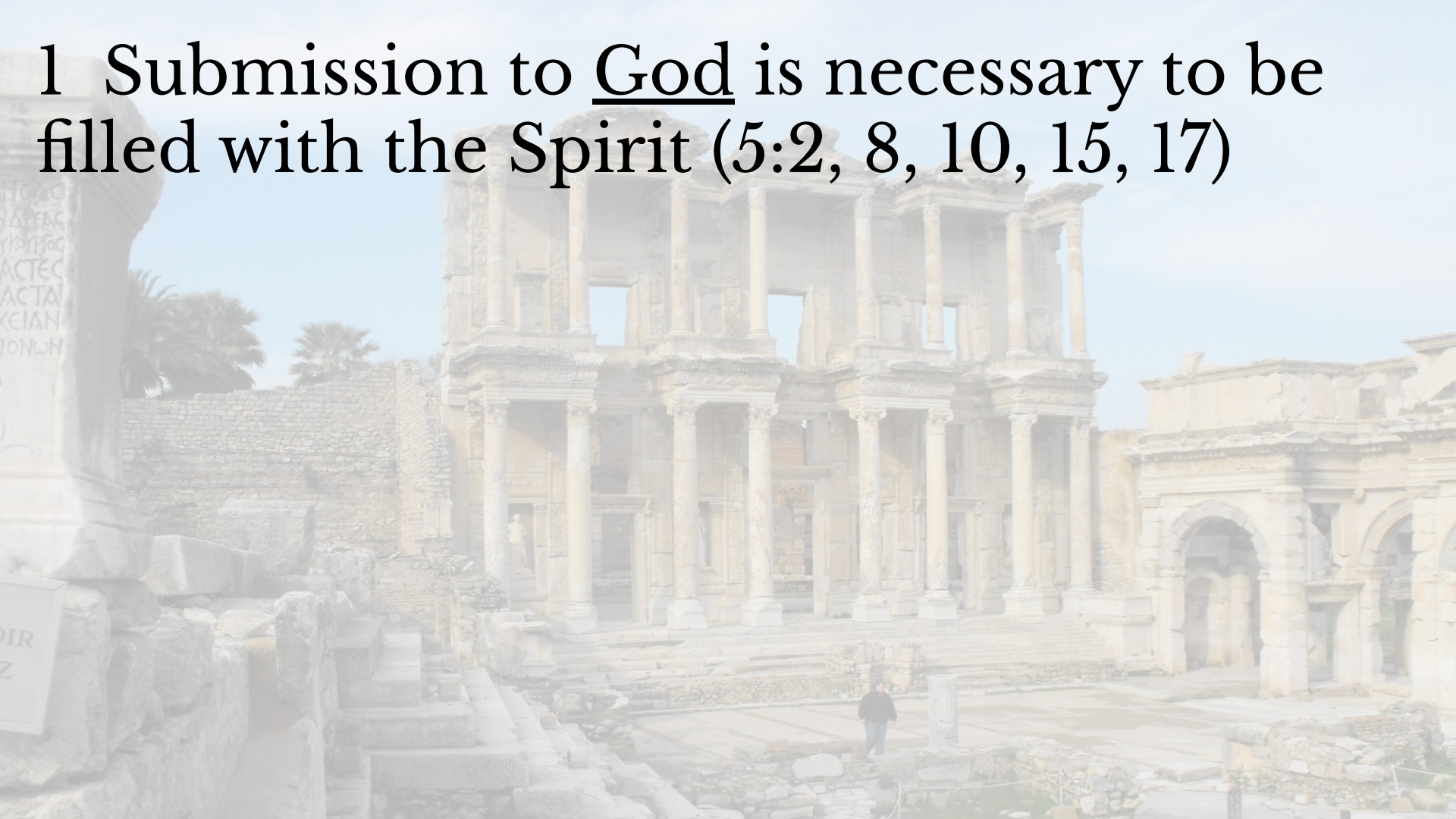




“Submit / Be Subject”

Voluntarily and willfully recognize a structured order, and agree to yield to and obey that order

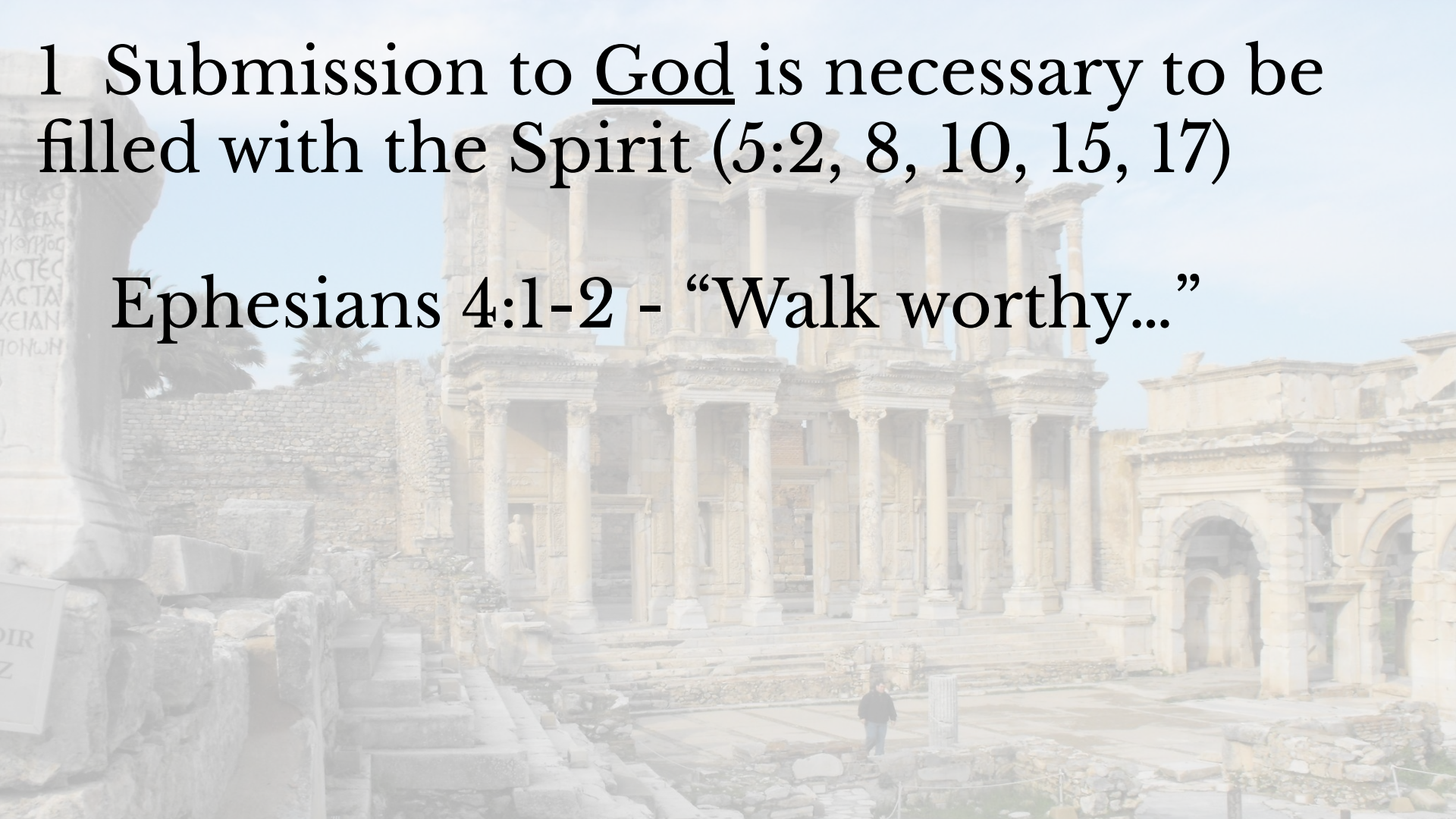
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First Statement: “With all **humility**...”



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Ephesians 5:

Walking in Love

Walk as Children of Light

Bear Fruit

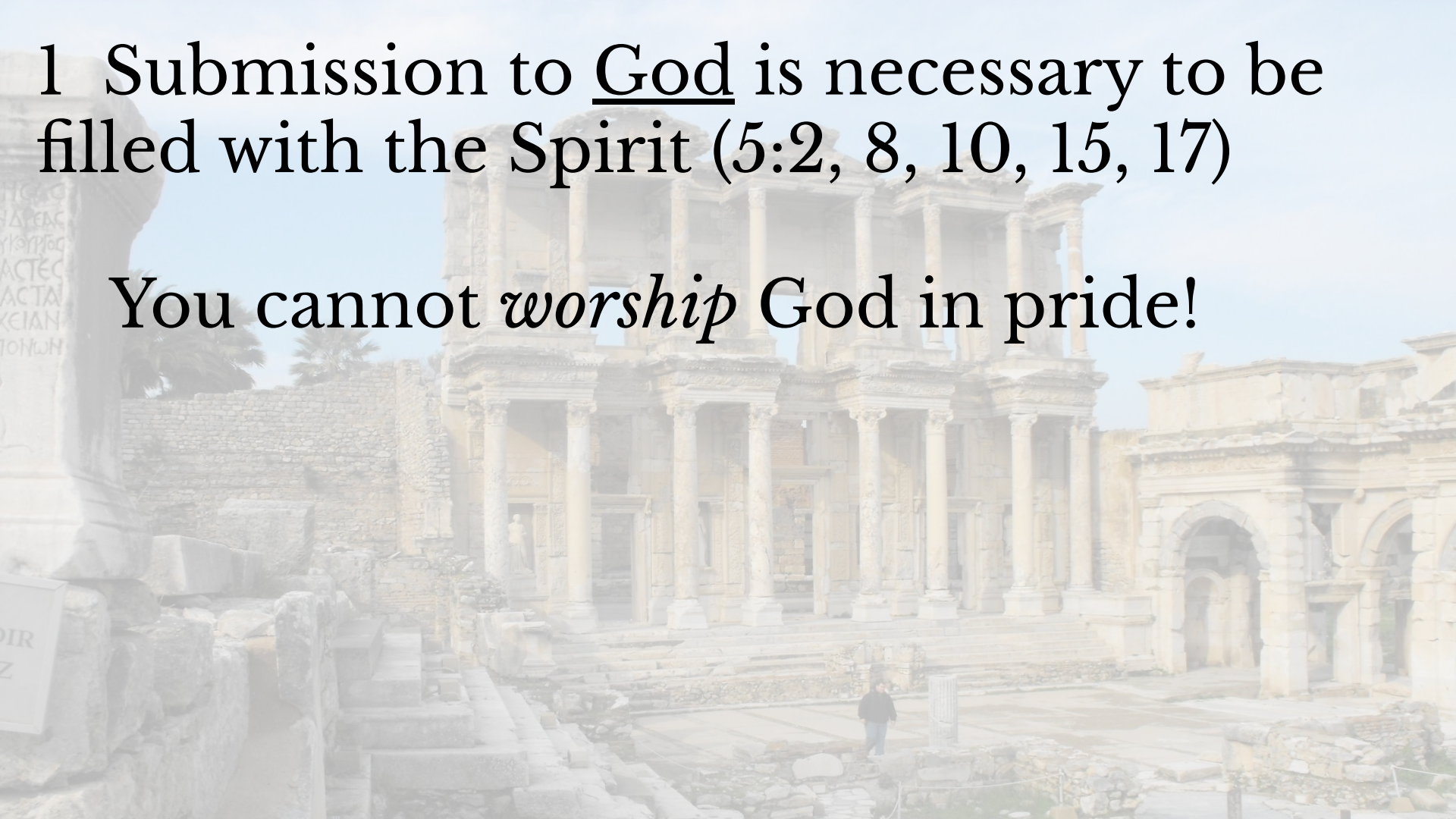
Pleasing to the Lord

Walk as wise men and women

Understand the Will of the Lord

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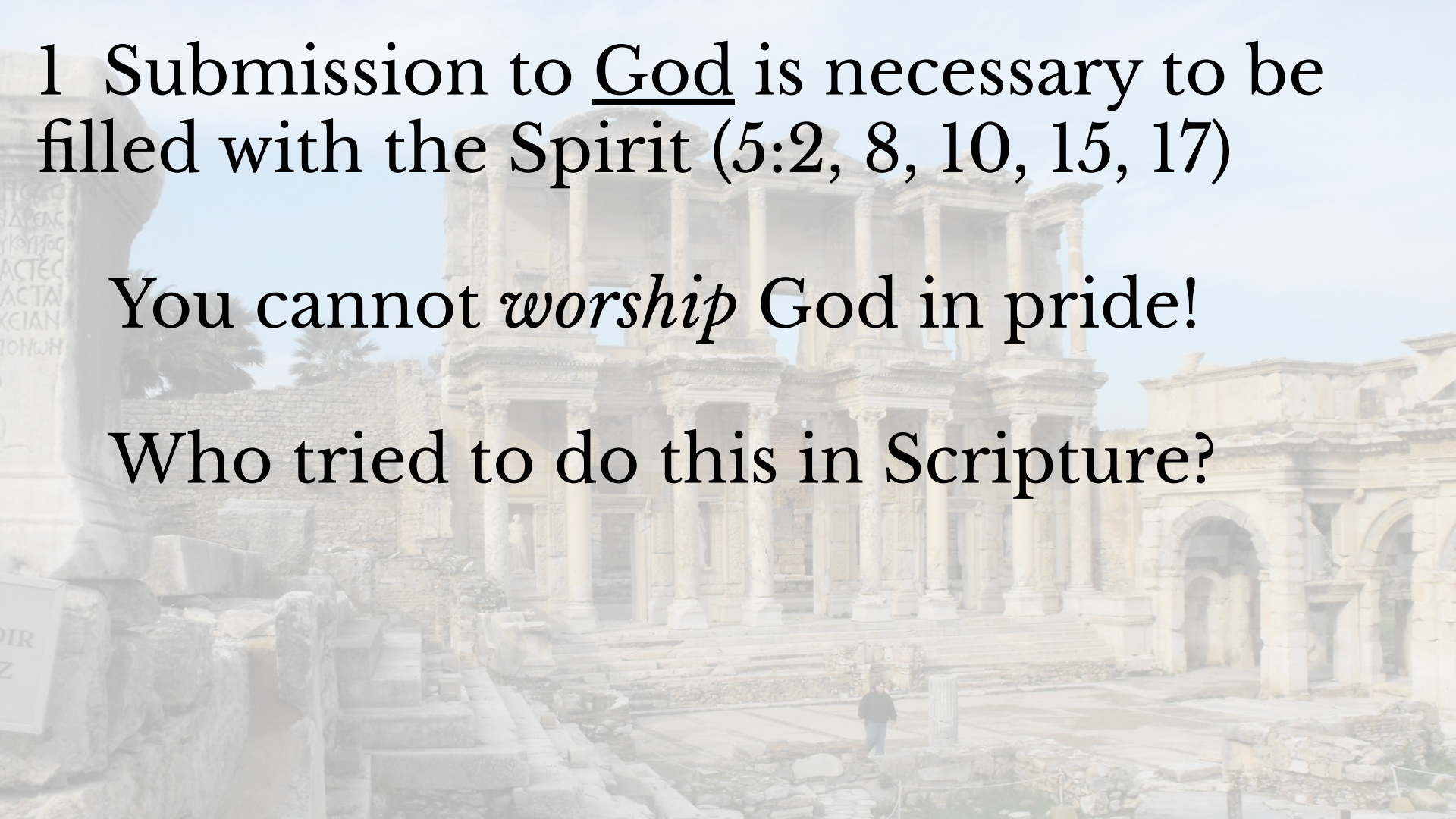




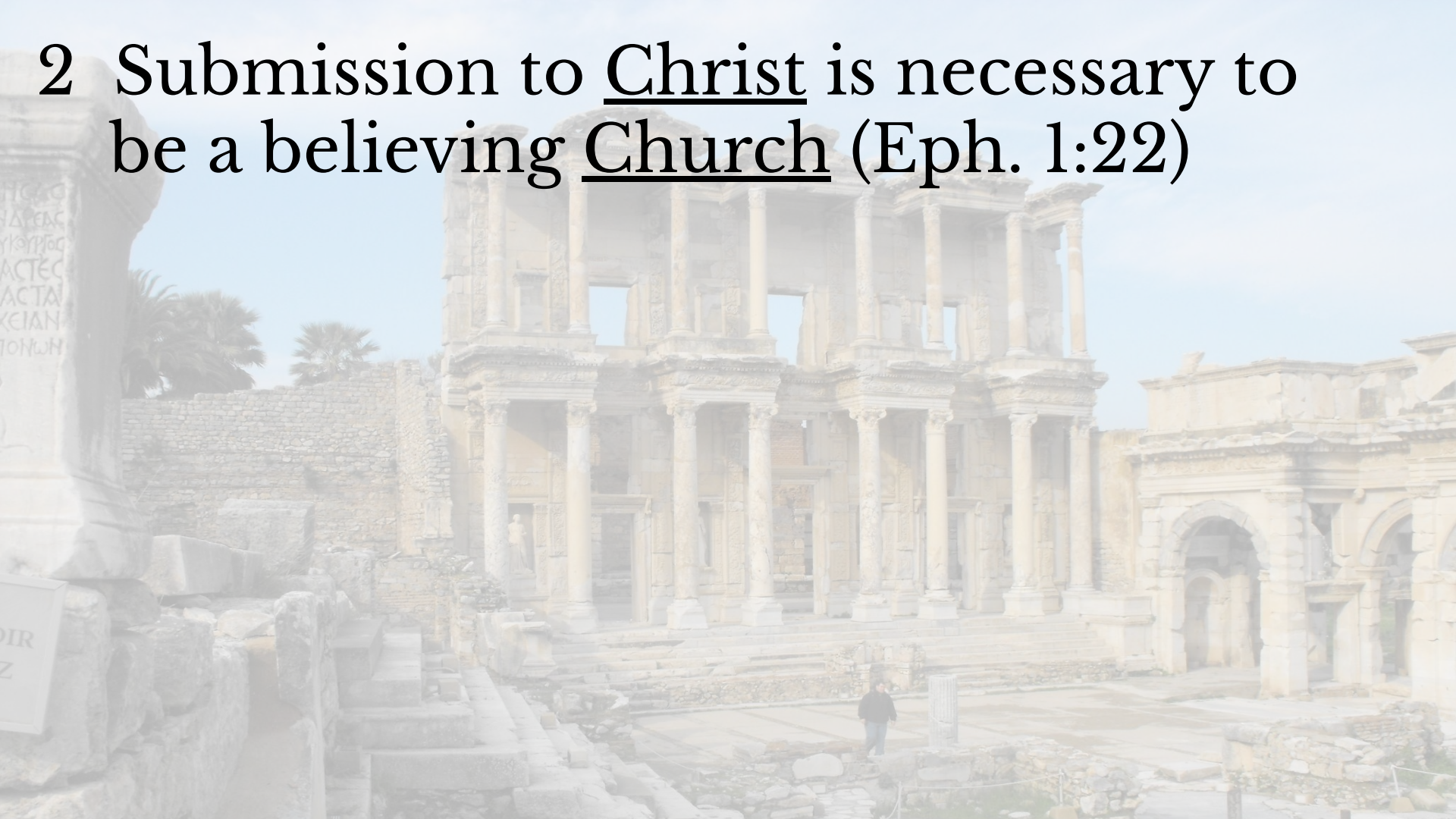
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Who tried to do this in Scripture?



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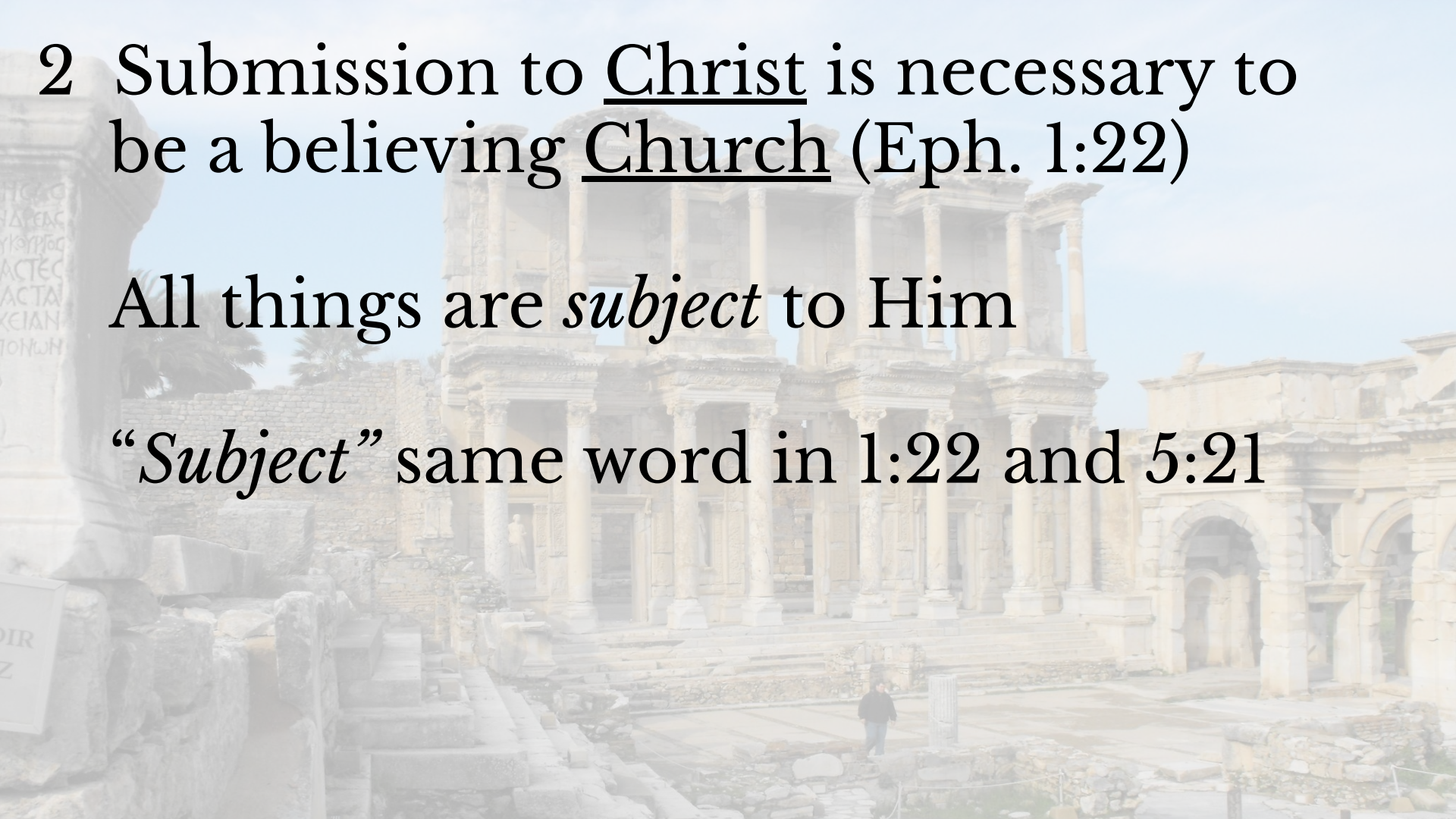




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All things are *subject* to Him

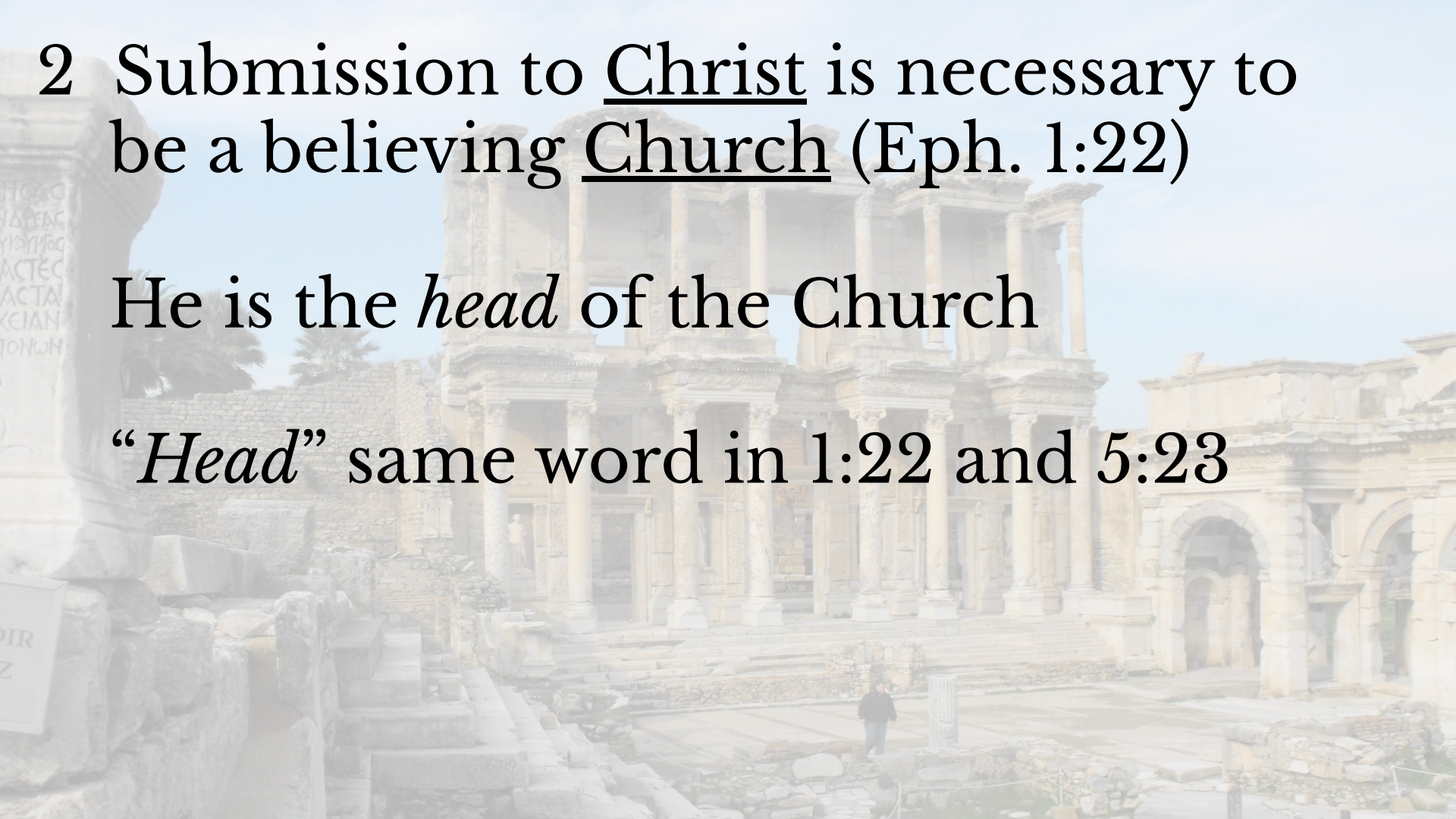
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He is the *head* of the Church

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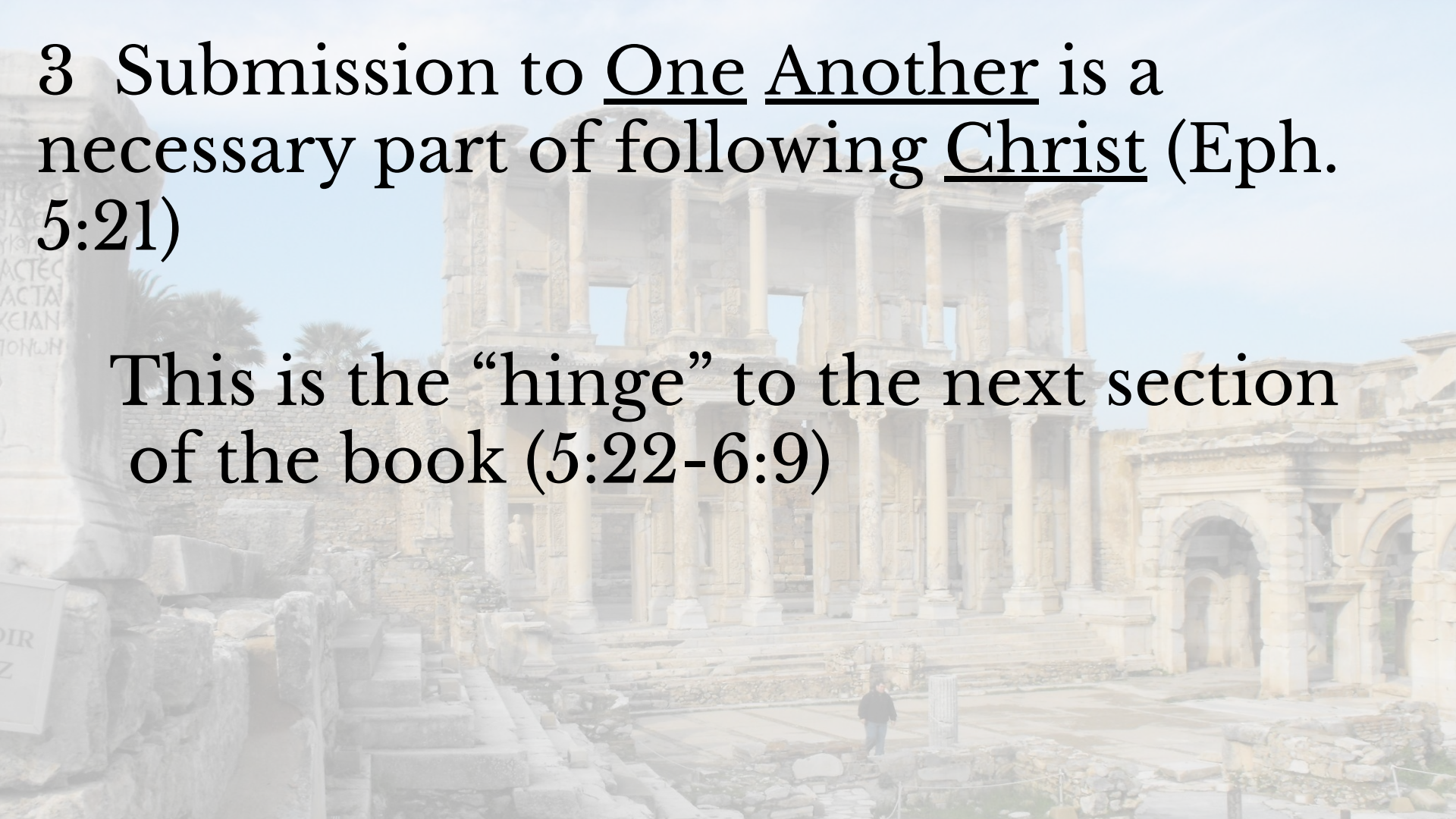
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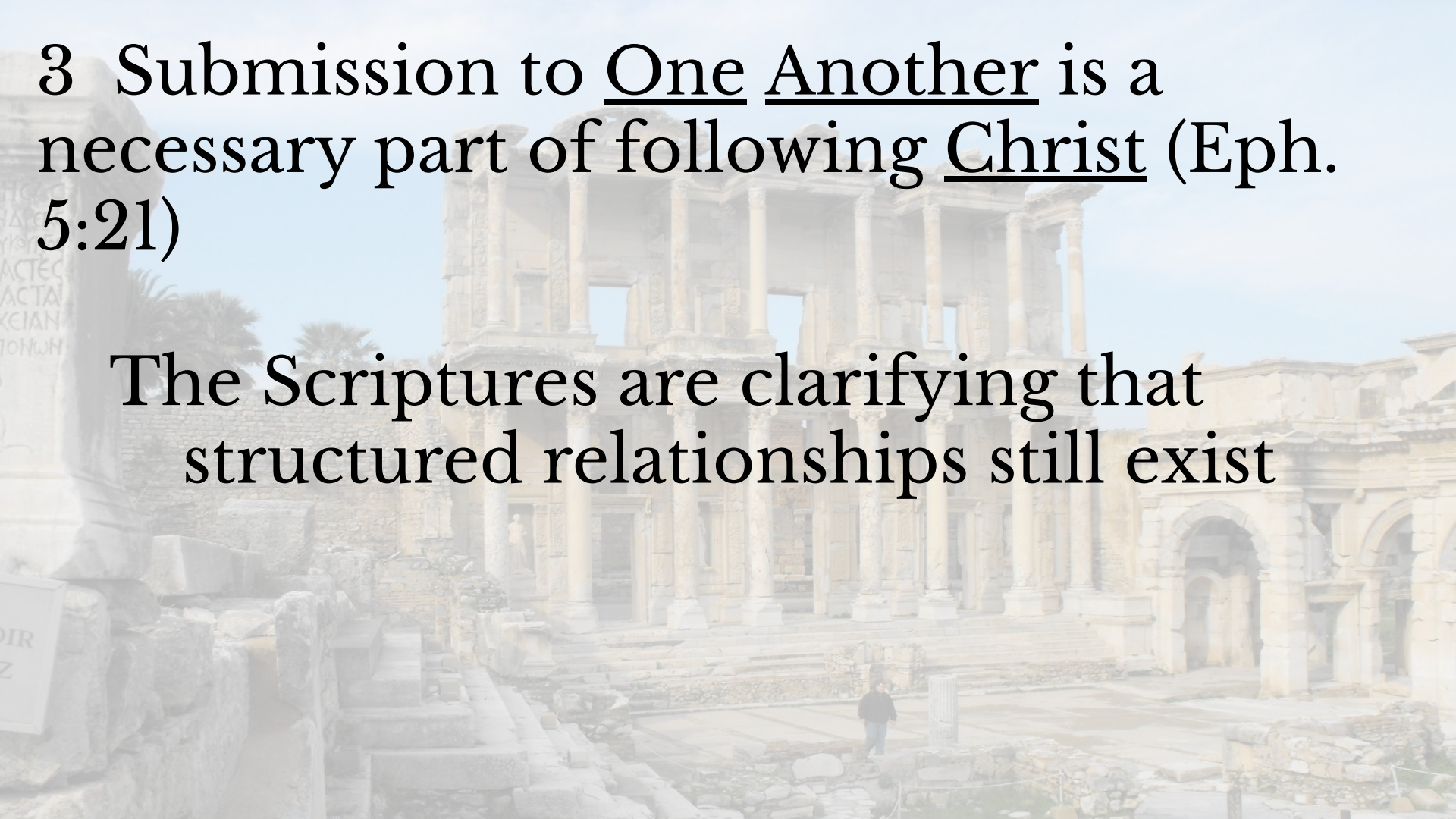
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The “re-ordering” in Eph. 2:11-22 may have put all “ordered relationships” in question



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The Scriptures are clarifying that structured relationships still exist



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This “submitting” isn’t all in relationships of Lord-Master / Subject-Servant

Matthew 20:25-28 (Mk. 10:42-45; Lk. 22:24-27)  
1 Peter 5:1-7



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This “submitting” is based on

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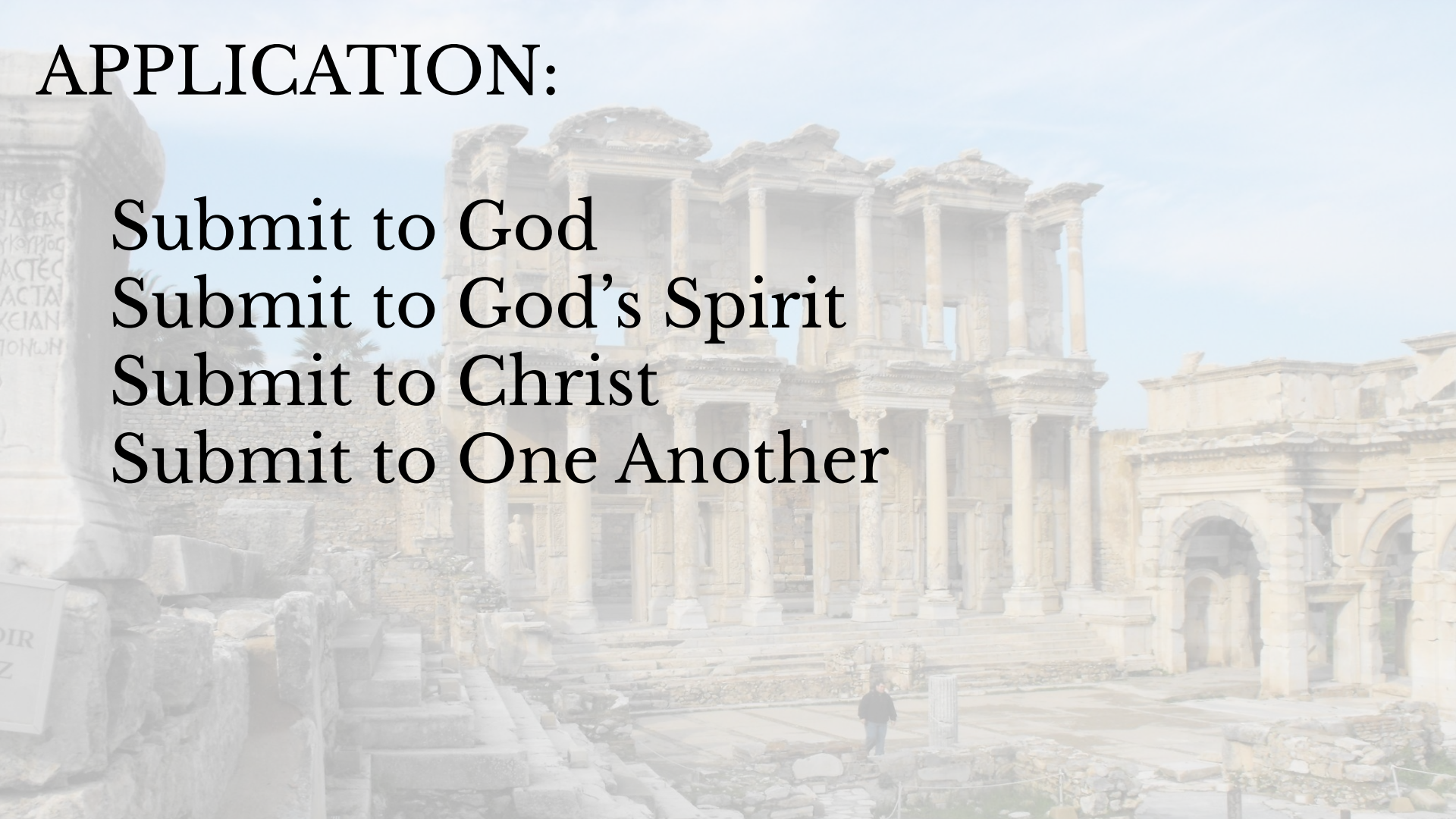
“reverence” for Christ

“Humble devotion” to Christ

“recognition of HIS superiority”

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You submit all the time, every day.

Why do we resist 'submission' in Scripture?