



*“How the ‘Word,’ meaning Christ, could be made ‘flesh,’ meaning the creature, is one of the most amazing mysteries to contemplate. Some may not think it is so amazing, but those who have meditated on this will be amazed at the **unbridgeable gulf between God and not God.***

A gulf is fixed, a vast gulf of infinitude, and how God managed to bridge that [infinite] bridge and join Himself to His creatures and limit the limitless is beyond our comprehension. ... How can the infinite ever become finite, and how can that which has no limit deliberately impose upon Himself limitations? ...

The mystery of it all is, He came down to the lowest order and took upon Himself the nature and seed of [humanity].”

~ A.W. Tozer



Christmas: How we can know God

(John 1:14-18)

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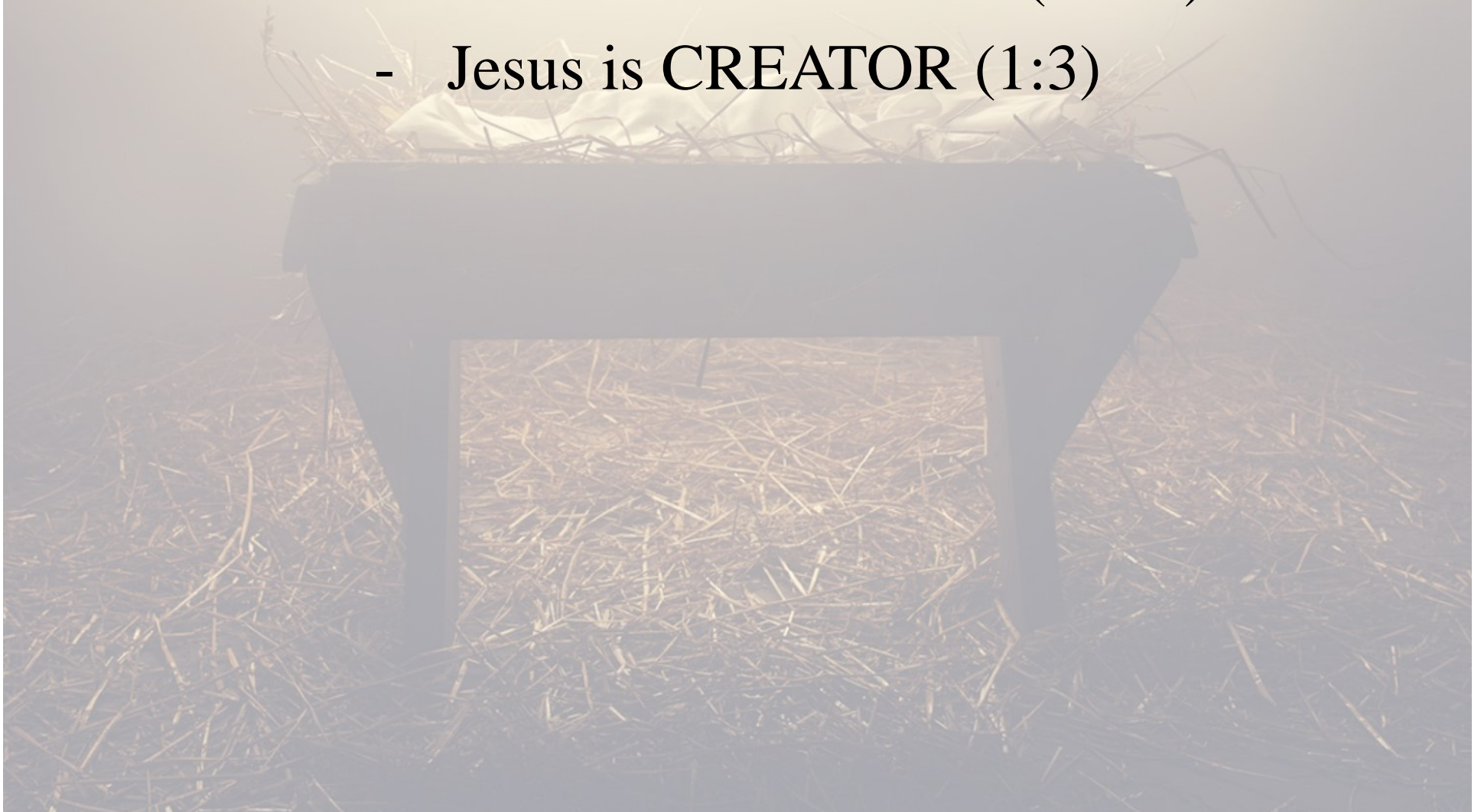
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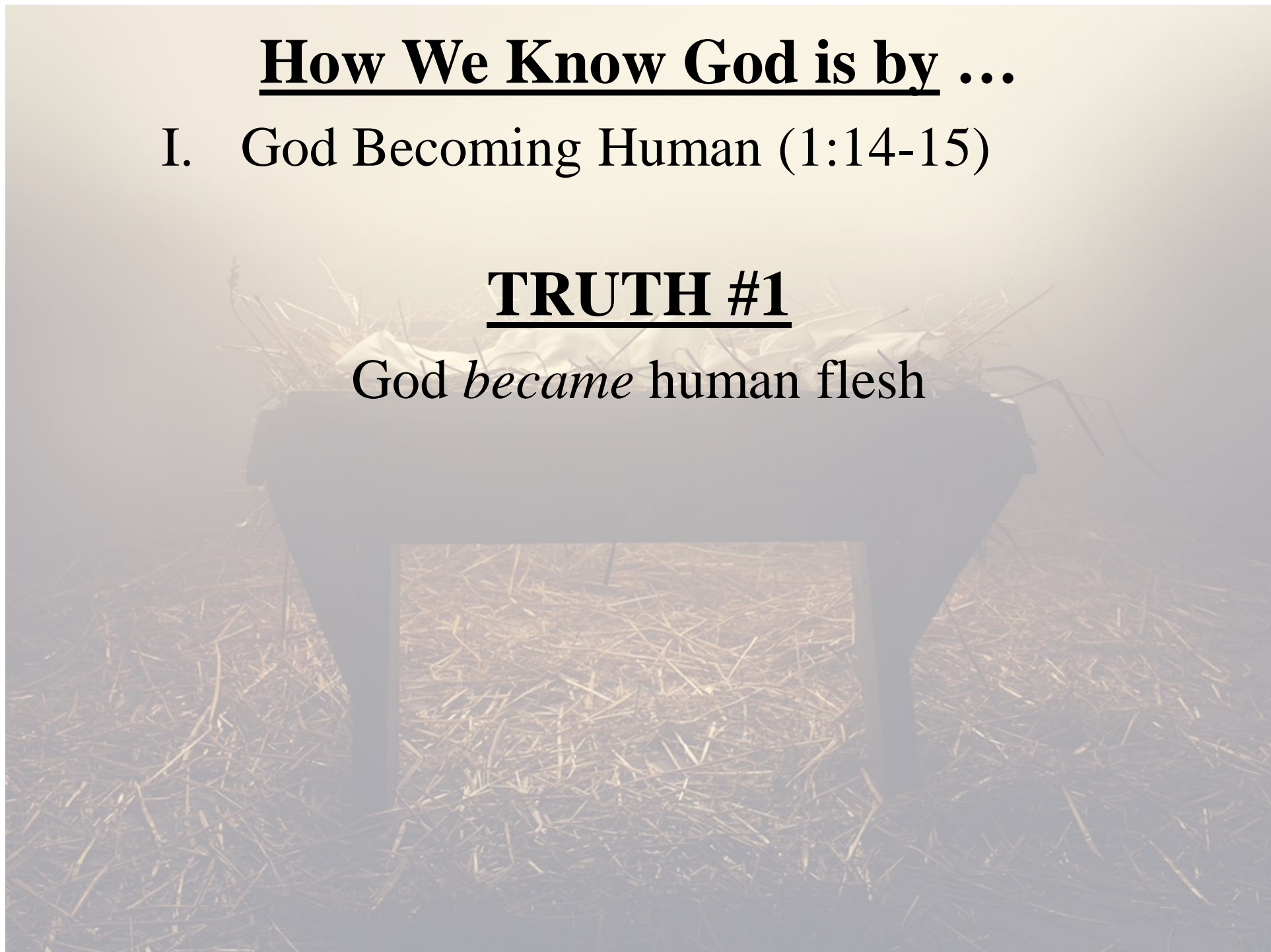


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“The natures which were brought together to form a true unity were different; but out of both is one Christ and one Son. ... the deity and Manhood, by their inexpressible and inexplicable concurrence into unity, have produced for us the one Lord and Son Jesus Christ.” – Cyril of Alexandria

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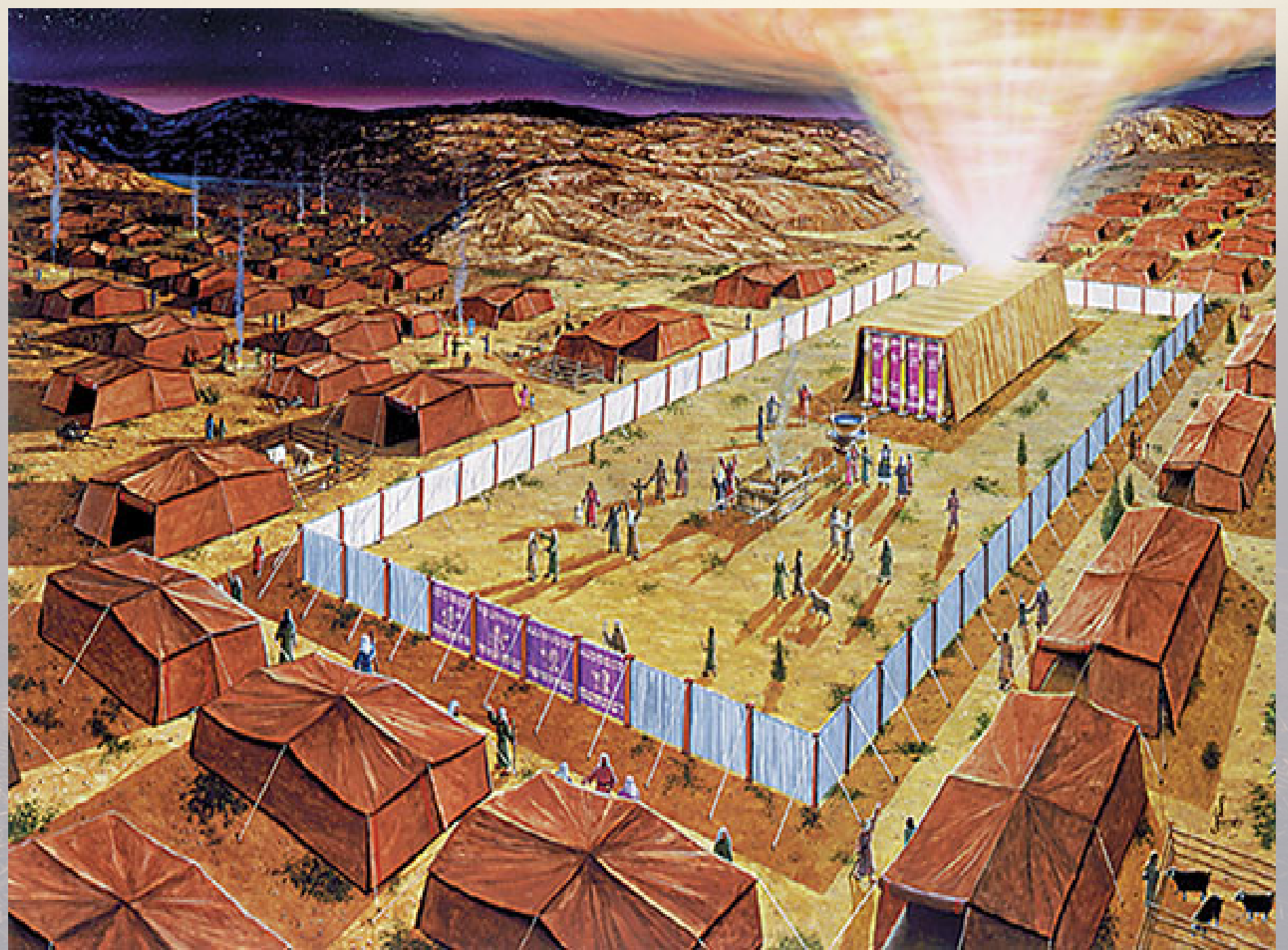
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TRUTH #3

God Showed Us His Glory

“full of grace & truth”

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- II. God Replacing Law with Grace (1:16-18)



