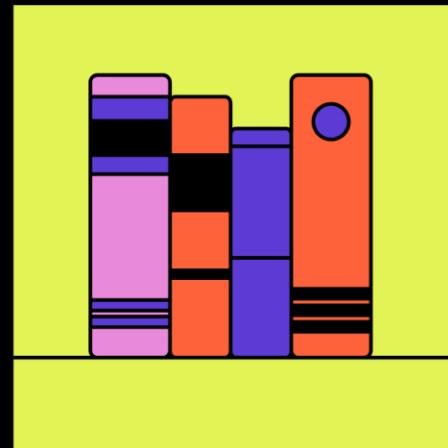
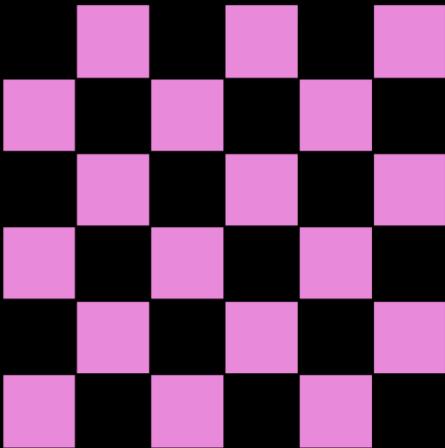
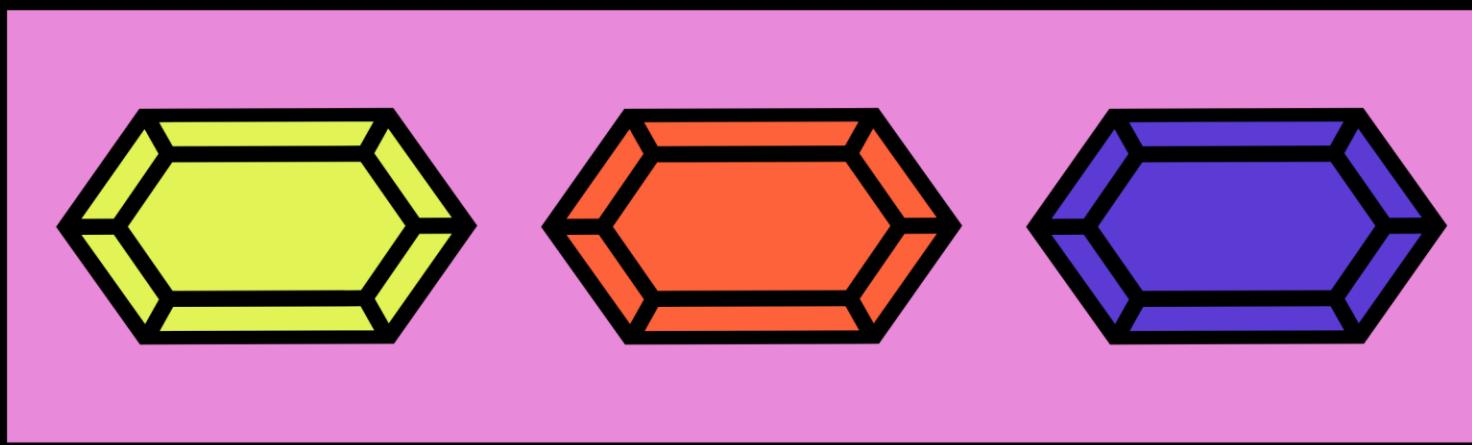
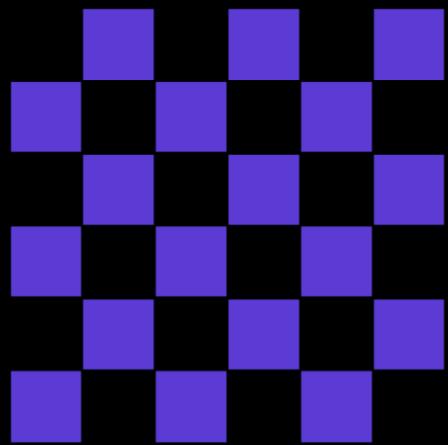
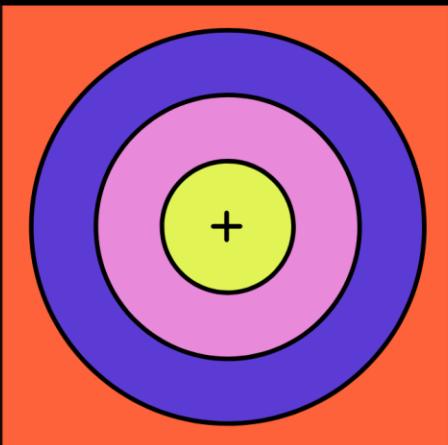
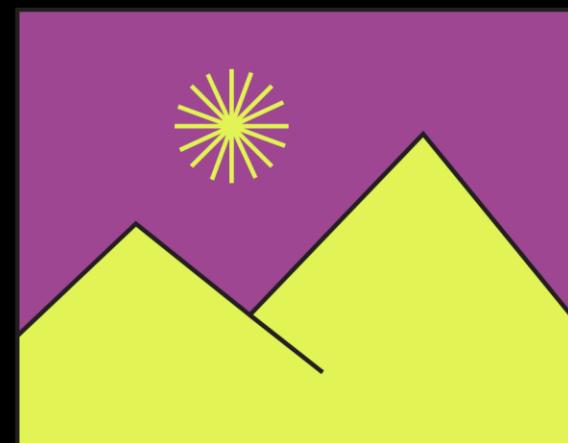
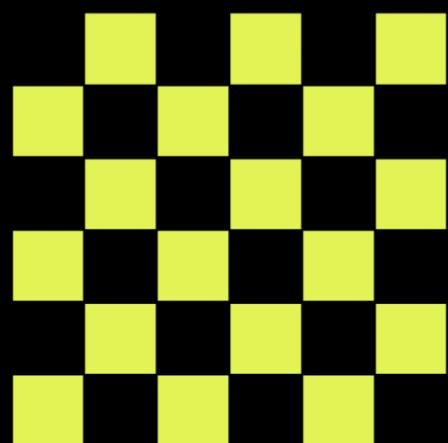
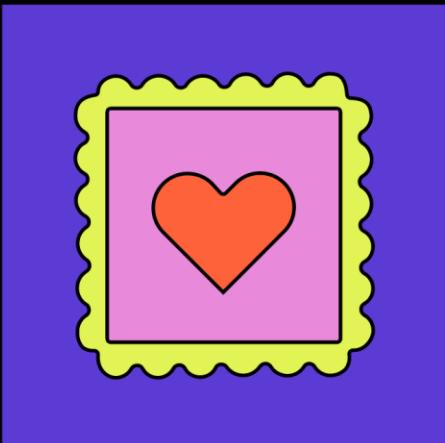


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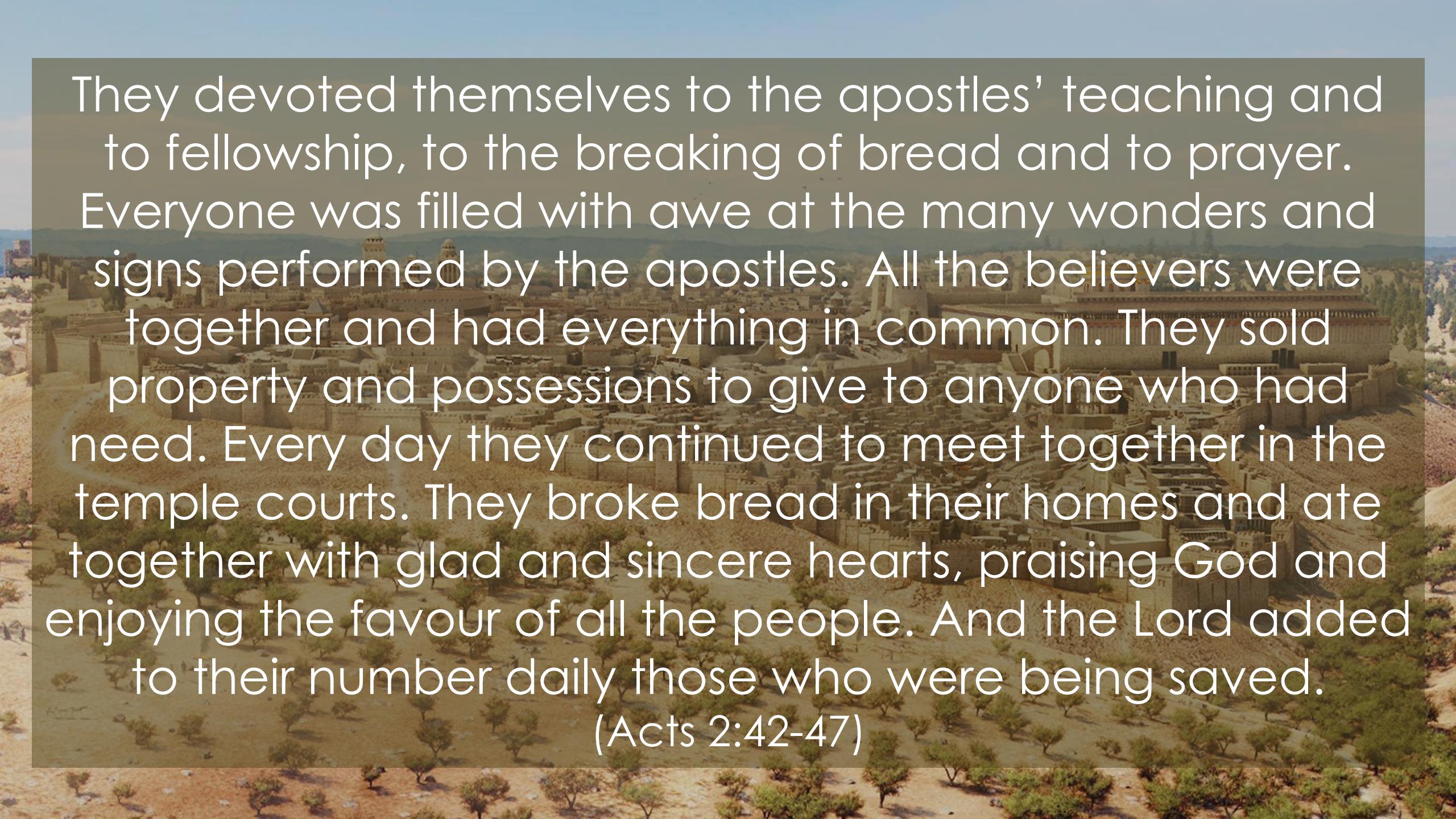
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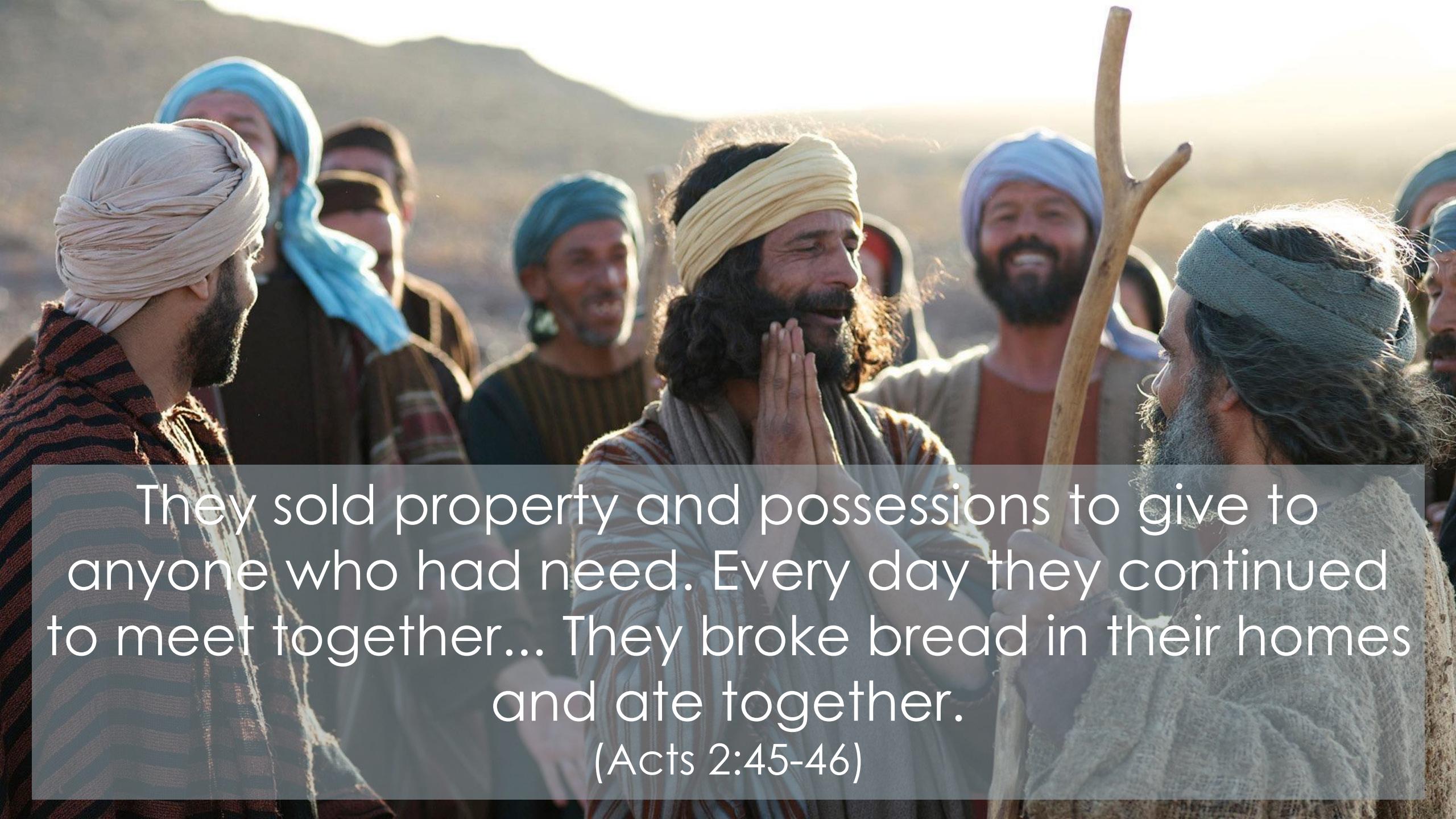




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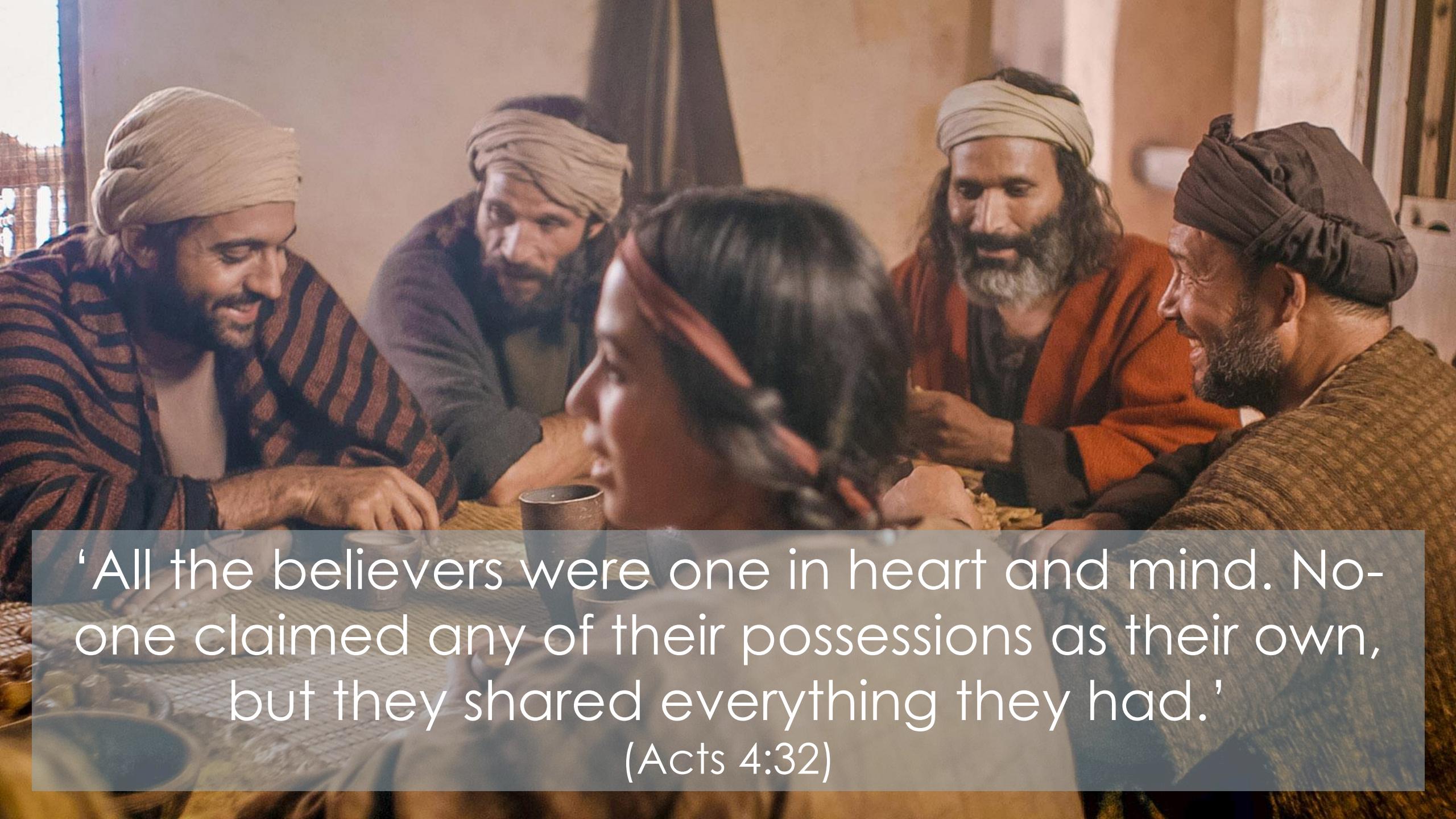


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A group of early Christians, all men with beards and wearing turbans, are gathered in a desert landscape. In the center, a man with a long dark beard and a yellow turban is holding his hands together in a prayerful gesture. To his right, another man with a beard and a blue turban holds a wooden staff. The background shows rolling hills under a clear sky.

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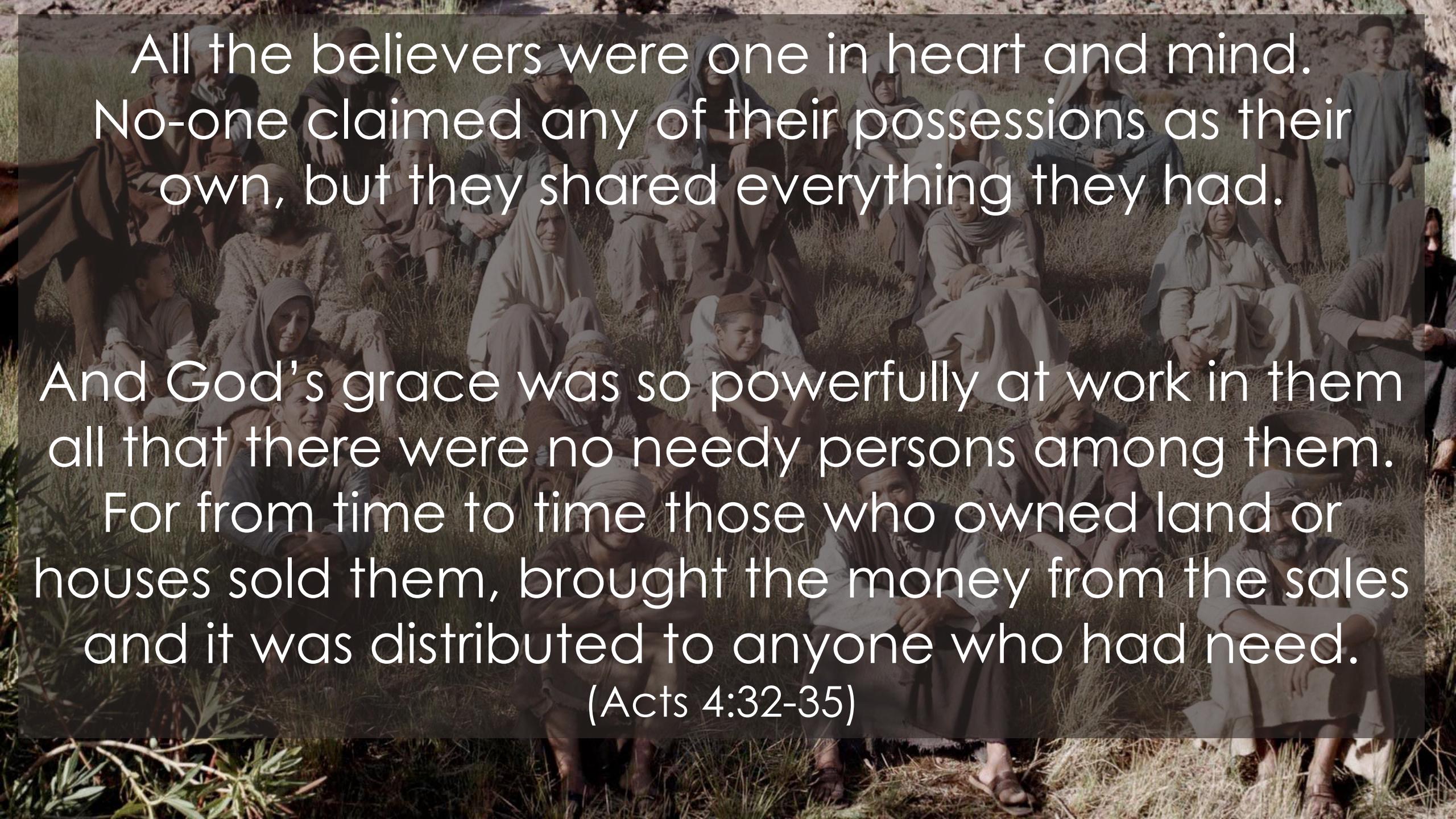




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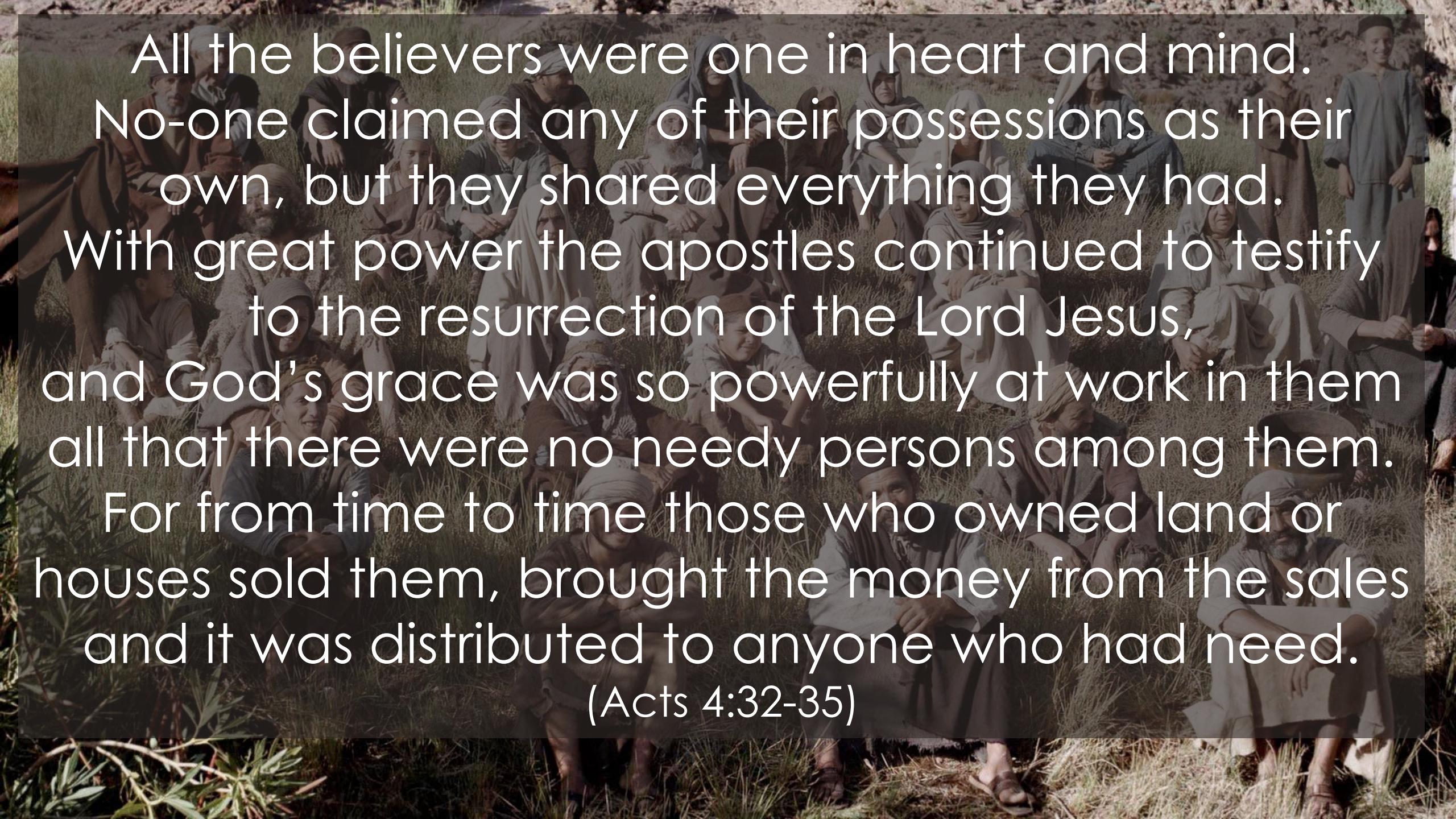


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(Acts 4:32-35)

A group of people in a field, likely the early believers mentioned in the text. They are dressed in simple, light-colored robes, some with hoods. They are sitting on the grass, some looking towards the camera, others looking away. The background is a blurred landscape of green and brown.

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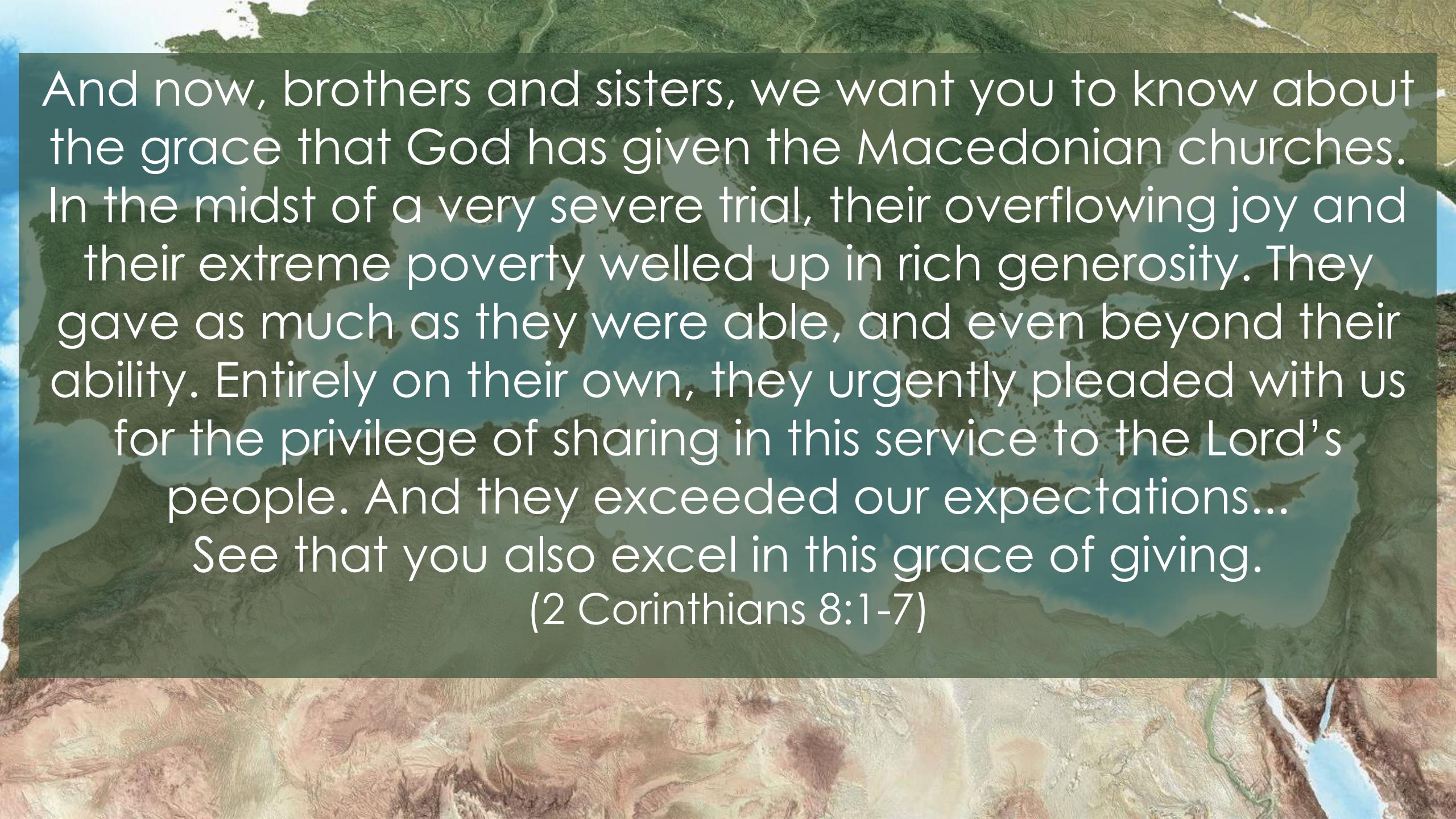
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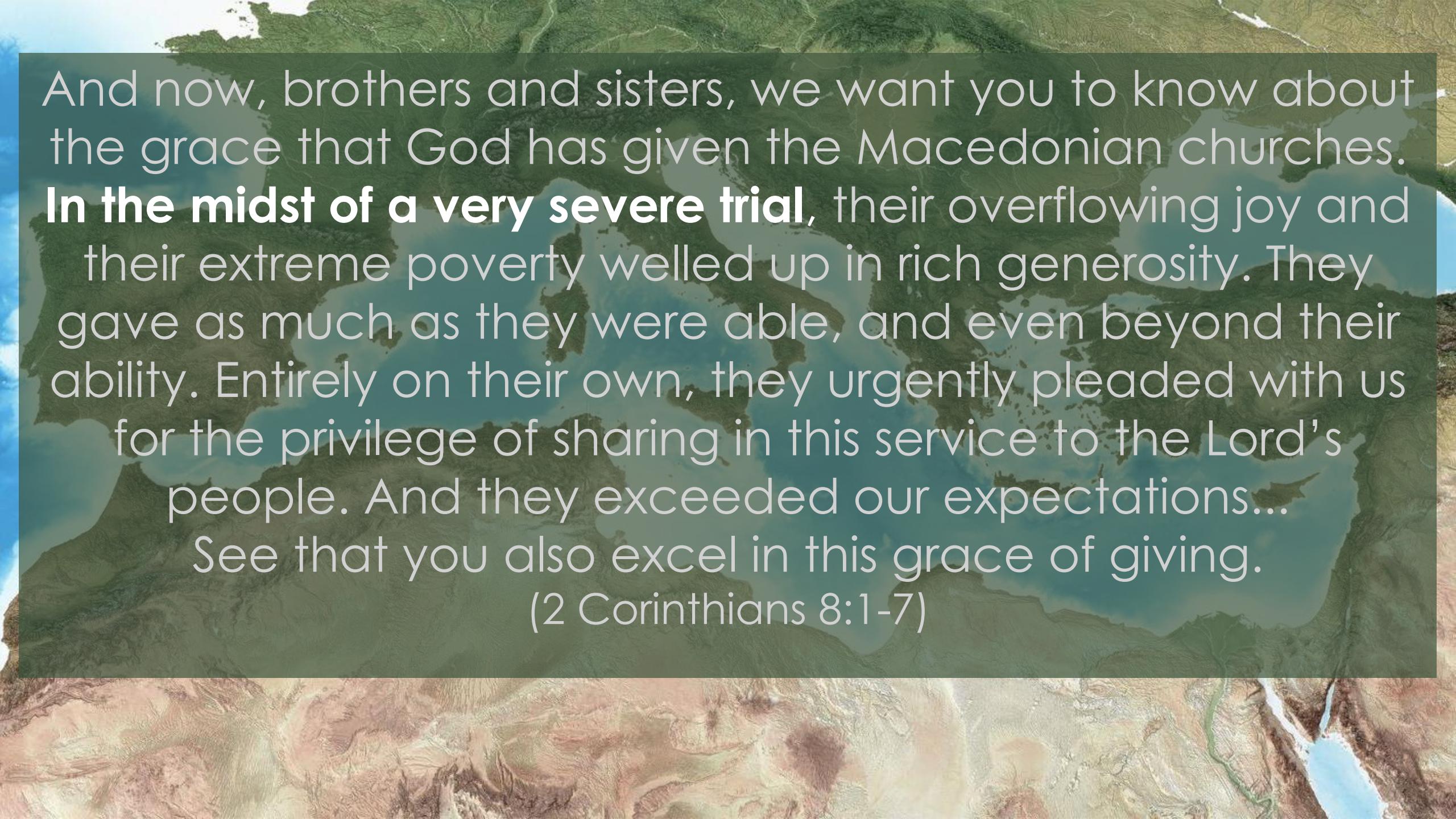
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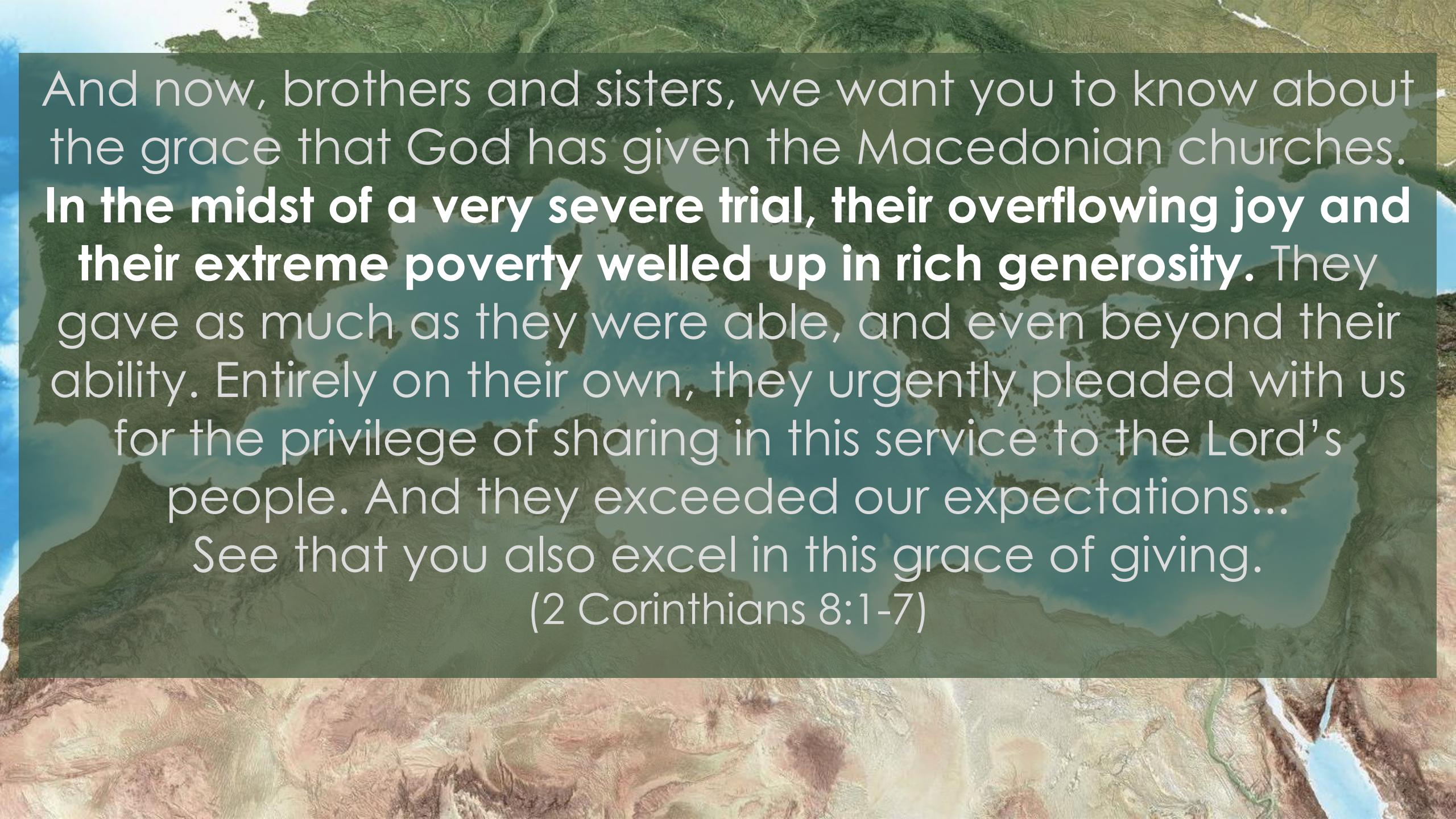
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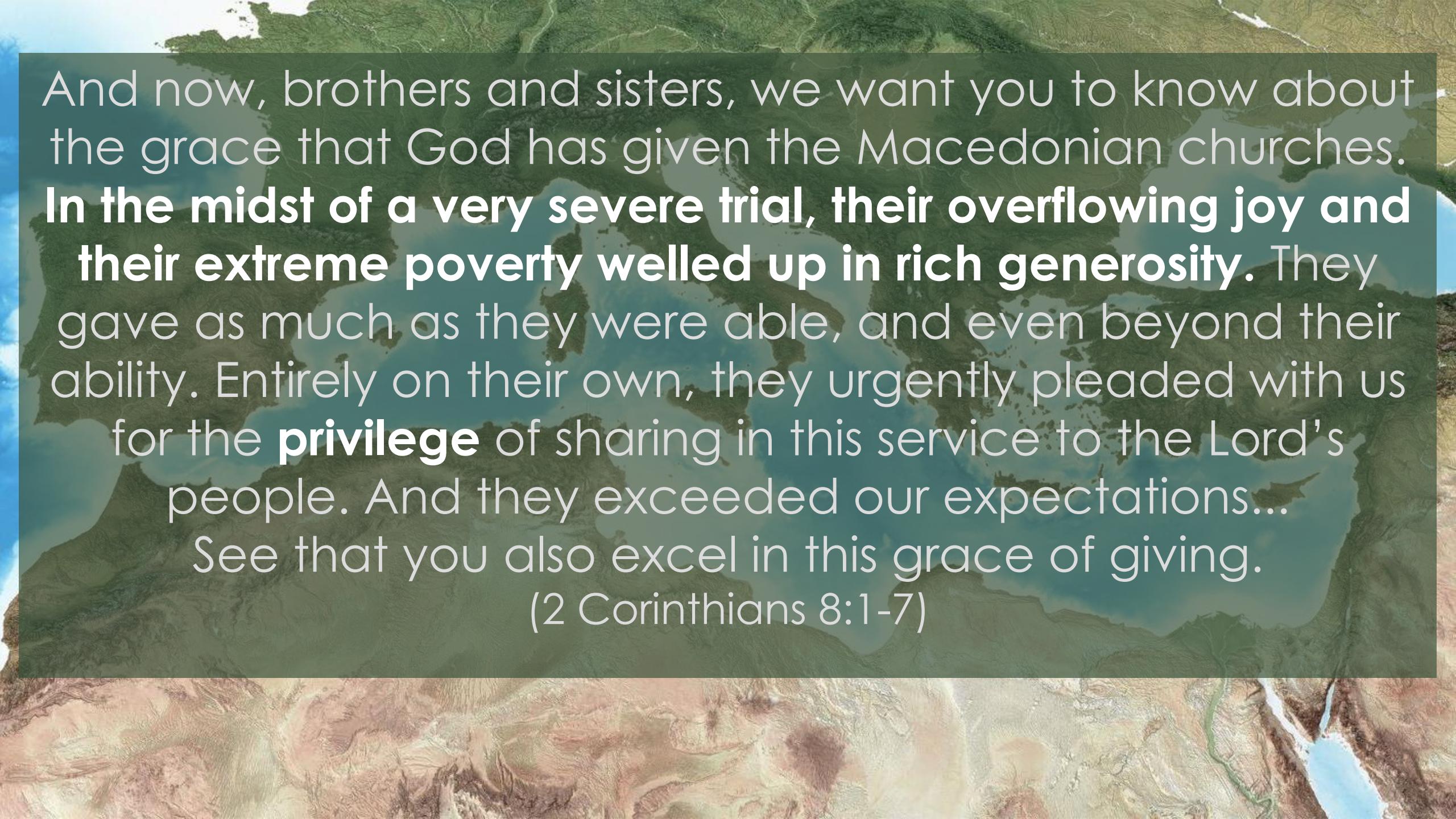
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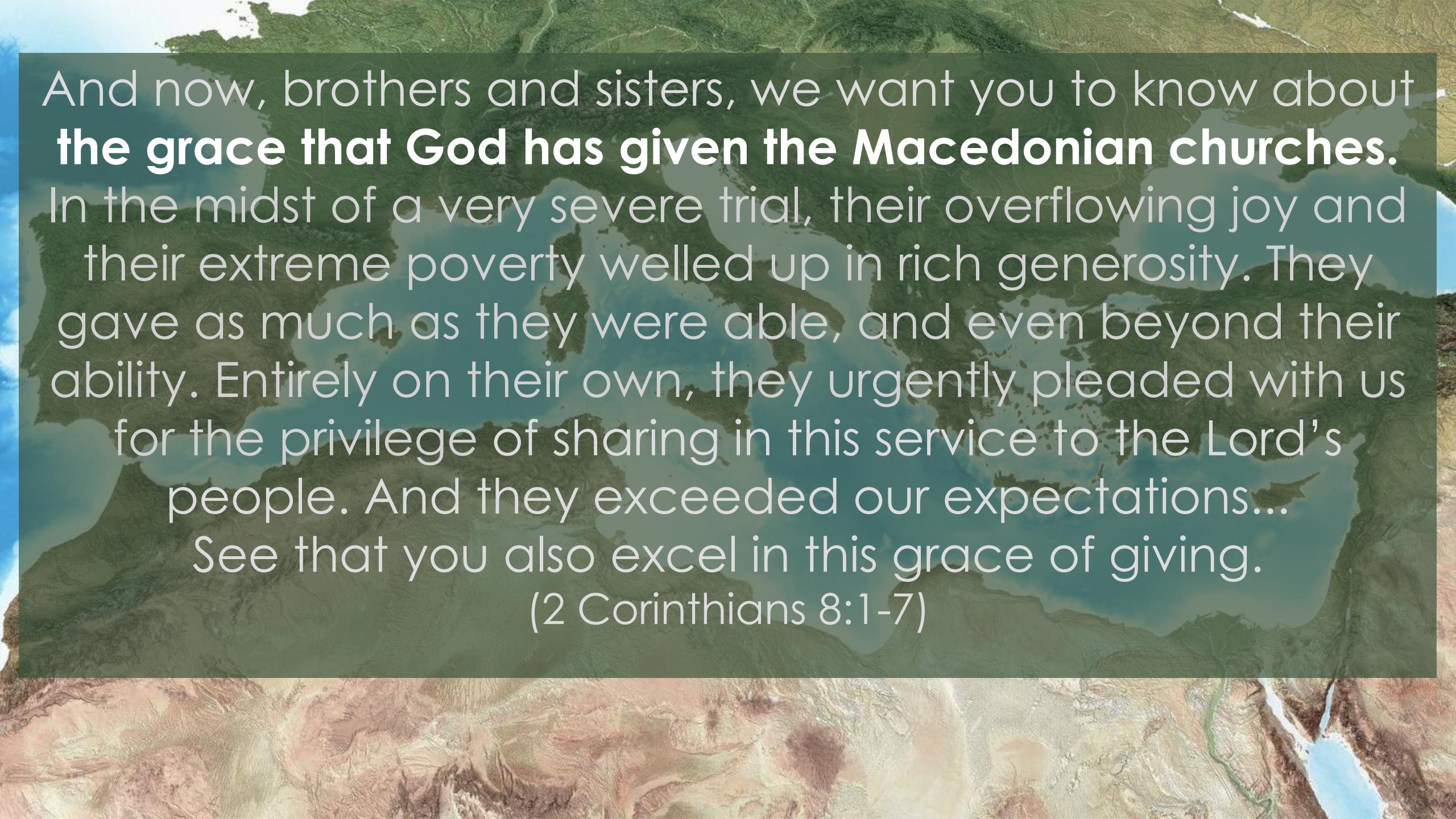
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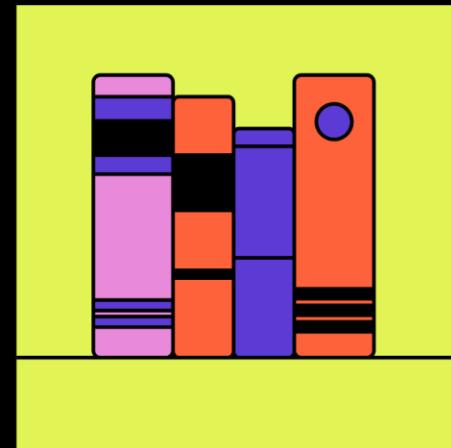
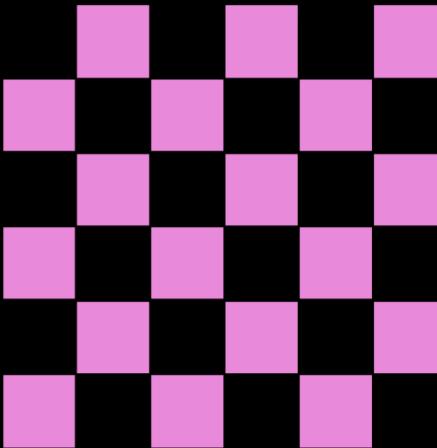
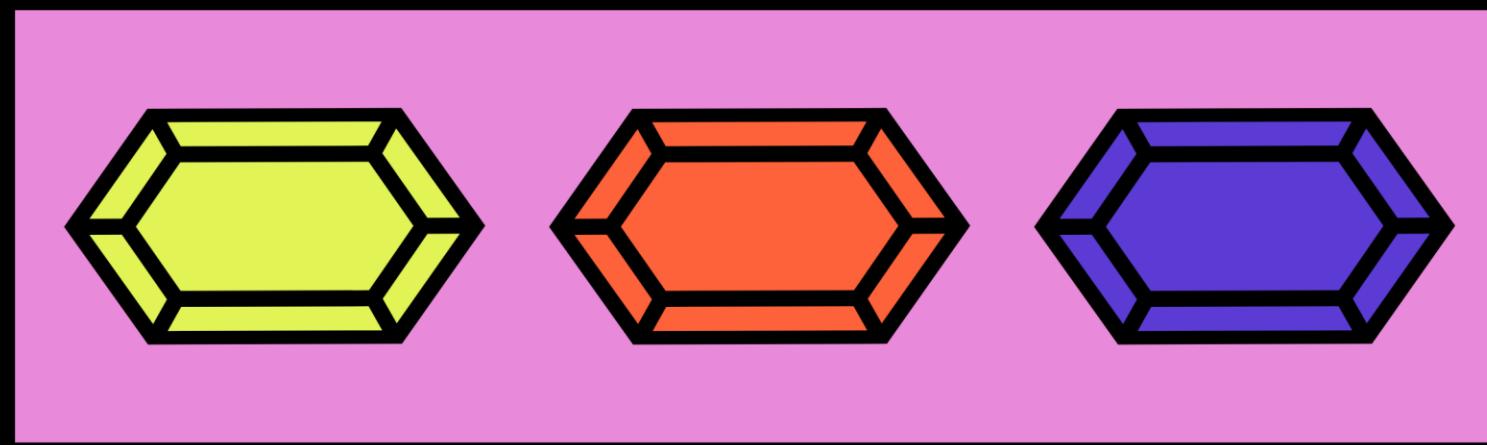
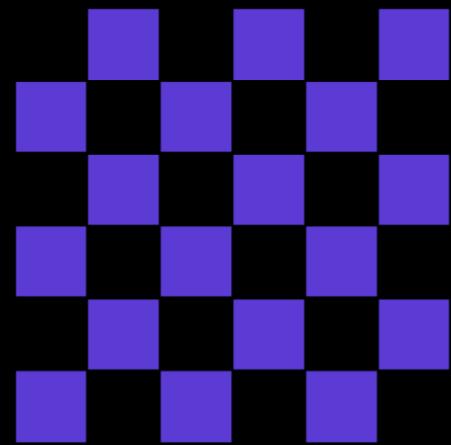
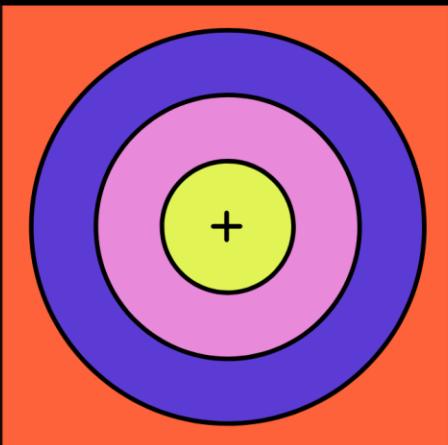












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