

A dramatic photograph of a man in a dark suit, white shirt, and aviator goggles riding a vintage biplane. He is smiling and looking towards the camera. The plane is flying low over a field engulfed in large, bright orange and yellow flames. The background is a hazy, golden sky.

**CHOOSE SUCCESS**

*FEAR OF THE LORD or FEAR OF MAN*

**7 Fear of the Lord is the foundation of true knowledge,  
but fools despise wisdom and discipline.**

**Proverbs 1:7**



**T1 THE FEAR OF THE LORD LEADS TO INSIGHT.**

***1Chronicles 29:11-15***

**11 Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory,  
the victory, and the majesty. Everything in the heavens  
and on earth is yours, O Lord, and this is your kingdom.  
We adore you as the one who is over all things.**

**1 Chronicles 29:11**

**12 Wealth and honor come from you alone, for you rule over everything. Power and might are in your hand, and at your discretion people are made great and given strength.**

**1 Chronicles 29:12**

**13 “O our God, we thank you and praise your glorious name! 14 But who am I, and who are my people, that we could give anything to you? Everything we have has come from you, and we give you only what you first gave us!**

**1 Chronicles 29:13-14**

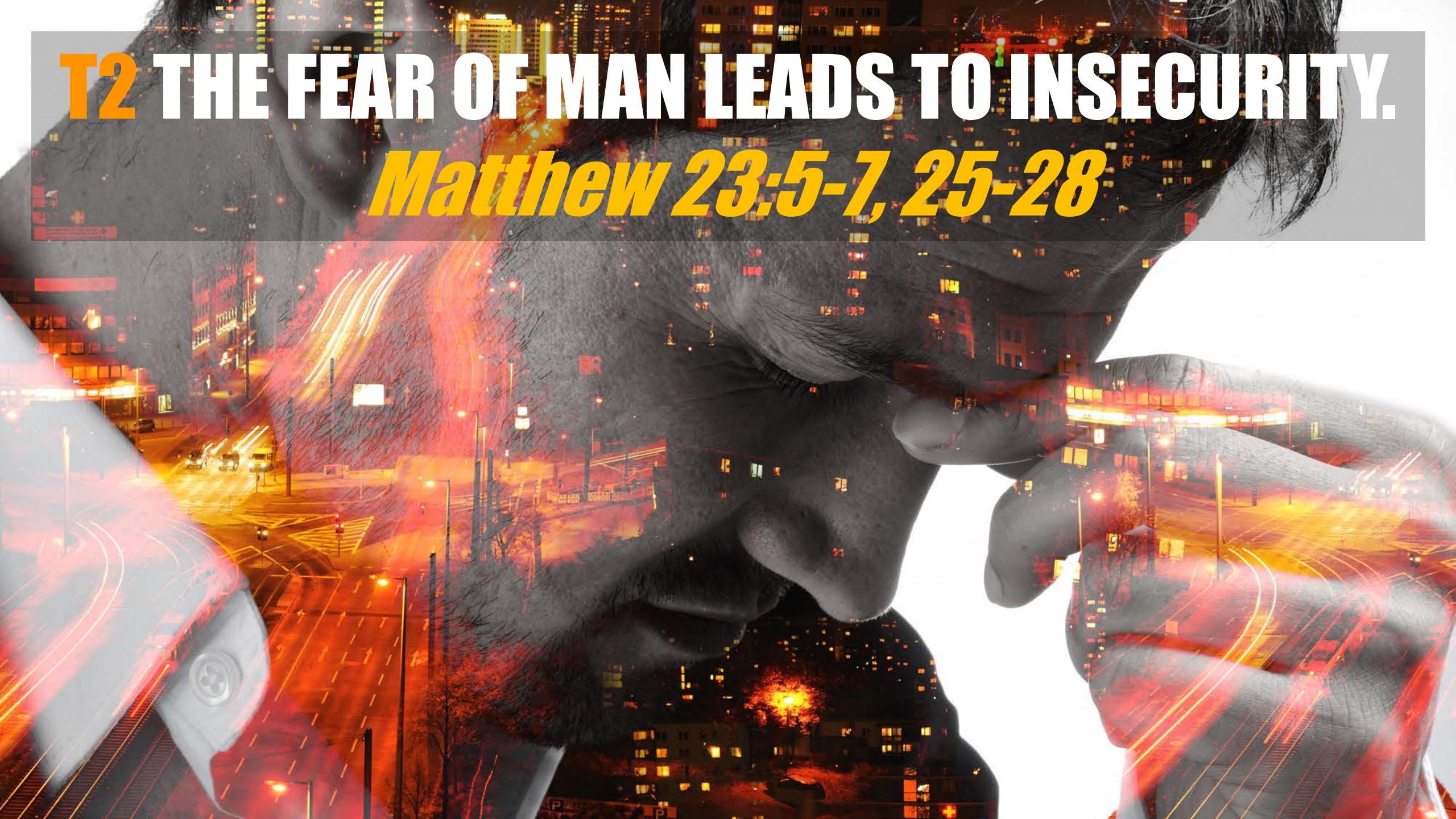
A silhouette of a man's head and shoulders against a dark background with blurred city lights.

**15 We are here for only a moment, visitors and  
strangers in the land as our ancestors were before us.  
Our days on earth are like a passing shadow, gone so  
soon without a trace.**

**1 Chronicles 29:15**

**T2 THE FEAR OF MAN LEADS TO INSECURITY.**

***Matthew 23:5-7, 25-28***



**5** “**Everything they do is for show.** On their arms they wear extra wide prayer boxes with Scripture verses inside, and they wear robes with extra long tassels. **6** And **they love to sit at the head table** at banquets and in the seats of honor in the synagogues. **7 They love to receive respectful greetings** as they walk in the marketplaces, and to be called ‘Rabbi.

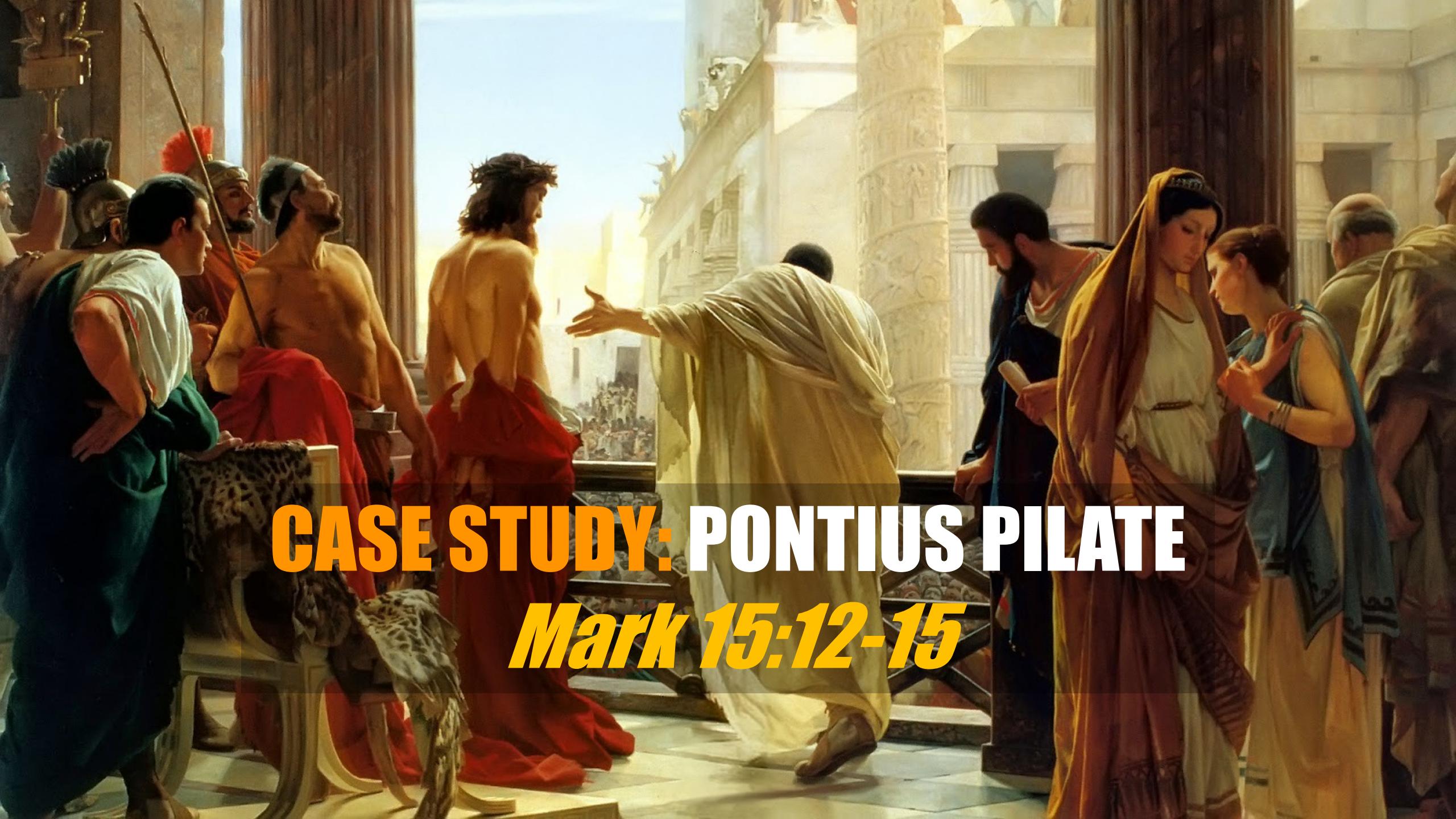
**Matthew 25:5-7**

**25 “What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you are so careful to clean the outside of the cup and the dish, but inside you are filthy—full of greed and self-indulgence! 26 You blind Pharisee! First wash the inside of the cup and the dish, and then the outside will become clean, too.**

**Matthew 25:25-26**

**27 “What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs—beautiful on the outside but filled on the inside with dead people’s bones and all sorts of impurity. 28 Outwardly you look like righteous people, but inwardly your hearts are filled with hypocrisy and lawlessness.**

**Matthew 25:27-28**

A painting depicting a scene from the trial of Jesus. In the center, Jesus, wearing a crown of thorns, is shown from the back, walking away from the viewer. He is being led by several Roman soldiers in military-style tunics and togas. One soldier on the left holds a spear. To the right, a group of people, including women in traditional robes, watch the scene. The setting is an ornate, sunlit building with large columns and architectural details.

# CASE STUDY: PONTIUS PILATE

## *Mark 15:12-15*

**12** Pilate asked them, “Then what should I do with this man you call the king of the Jews?” **13** They shouted back, “Crucify him!” **14** “**Why?**” Pilate demanded. “**What crime has he committed?**” But the mob roared even louder, “Crucify him!” **15** So to pacify the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas to them. He ordered Jesus flogged with a lead-tipped whip, then turned him over to the Roman soldiers to be crucified.

**Mark 15:12-15**