

Week 4:
The Parable of the
Wheat and the Tares



WHEAT: before it is fully ripe.



TARES: *Lolium Temulentum*

MATTHEW 13:24 – 27 (NKJV)

²⁴Another parable He put forth to them, saying: “The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field; ²⁵but while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat and went his way. ²⁶But when the grain had sprouted and produced a crop, then the tares also appeared. ²⁷So the servants of the owner came and said to him, ‘Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have tares?’

MATTHEW 13:28 – 30 (NKJV)

²⁸He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' The servants said to him, 'Do you want us then to go and gather them up?' ²⁹But he said, 'No, lest while you gather up the tares you also uproot the wheat with them. ³⁰Let both grow together until the harvest, and at the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, "First gather together the tares and bind them in bundles to burn them, but gather the wheat into my barn." ' "

MATTHEW 13:36 – 39 (NKJV)

³⁶Then Jesus sent the multitude away and went into the house. And His disciples came to Him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the tares of the field.” ³⁷He answered and said to them: “He who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. ³⁸The field is the world, the good seeds are the sons of the kingdom, but the tares are the sons of the wicked one. ³⁹The enemy who sowed them is the devil, the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are the angels.

MATTHEW 13:40 – 43 (NKJV)

⁴⁰Therefore as the tares are gathered and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of this age. ⁴¹The Son of Man will send out His angels, and they will gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and those who practice lawlessness, ⁴²and will cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!



Sower = Son of Man (Jesus)



Field = World



Good Seed = Sons of the Kingdom



Weeds = Sons of the Evil One



Enemy = Devil



Harvest = End of the Age



Reapers = Angels



Burning = Torment



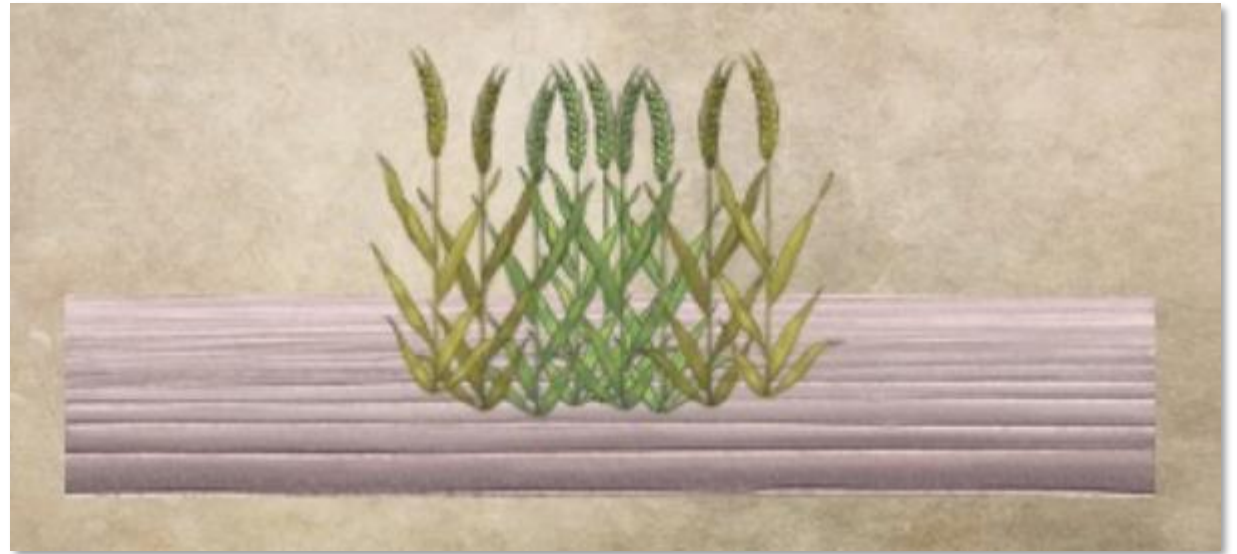
Barn = Kingdom of the Father

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“Going to church doesn't make you a Christian,
just like going to McDonald's doesn't make you a
big Mac or doesn't make you a hamburger.”

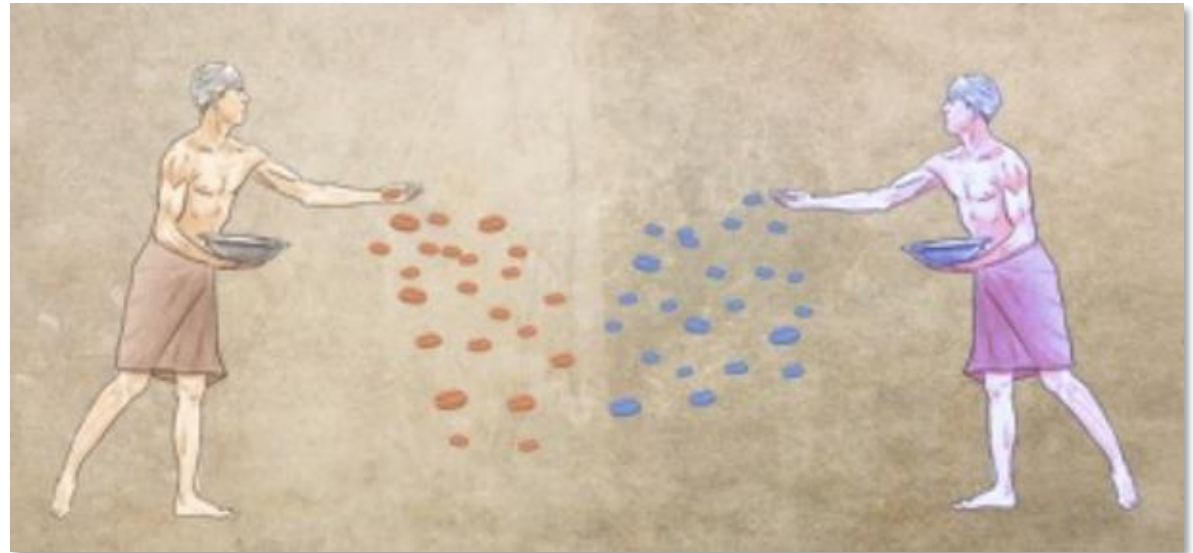
“The goal of this message is not to cause a believer to lose his assurance of salvation.”

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John 10:10 (NKJV)

The thief does not come except to steal,
and to kill, and to destroy...



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Matthew 24:24 (NKJV)

For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect.

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Matthew 16:27 (NKJV)

For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then He will reward each according to his works.



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Matthew 24:31 (NKJV)

And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

2 PROSPECTS

To be burned

or

To be barned



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2 Corinthians 13:5 (NKJV)

Examine yourselves as to whether you
are in the faith...



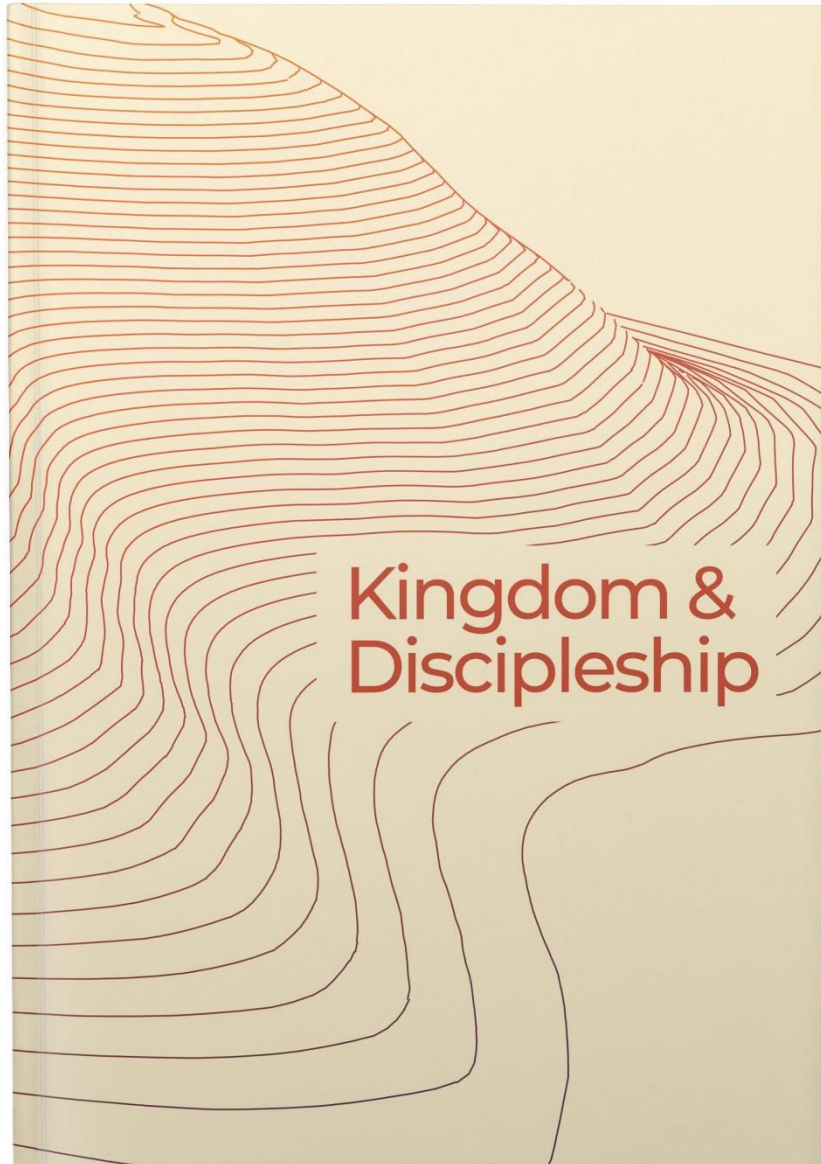
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Matthew 7:21 (NKJV)

“Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but *he who does the will of My Father in heaven.*



**The Ultimate Test of a
Christian:**

OBEDIENCE



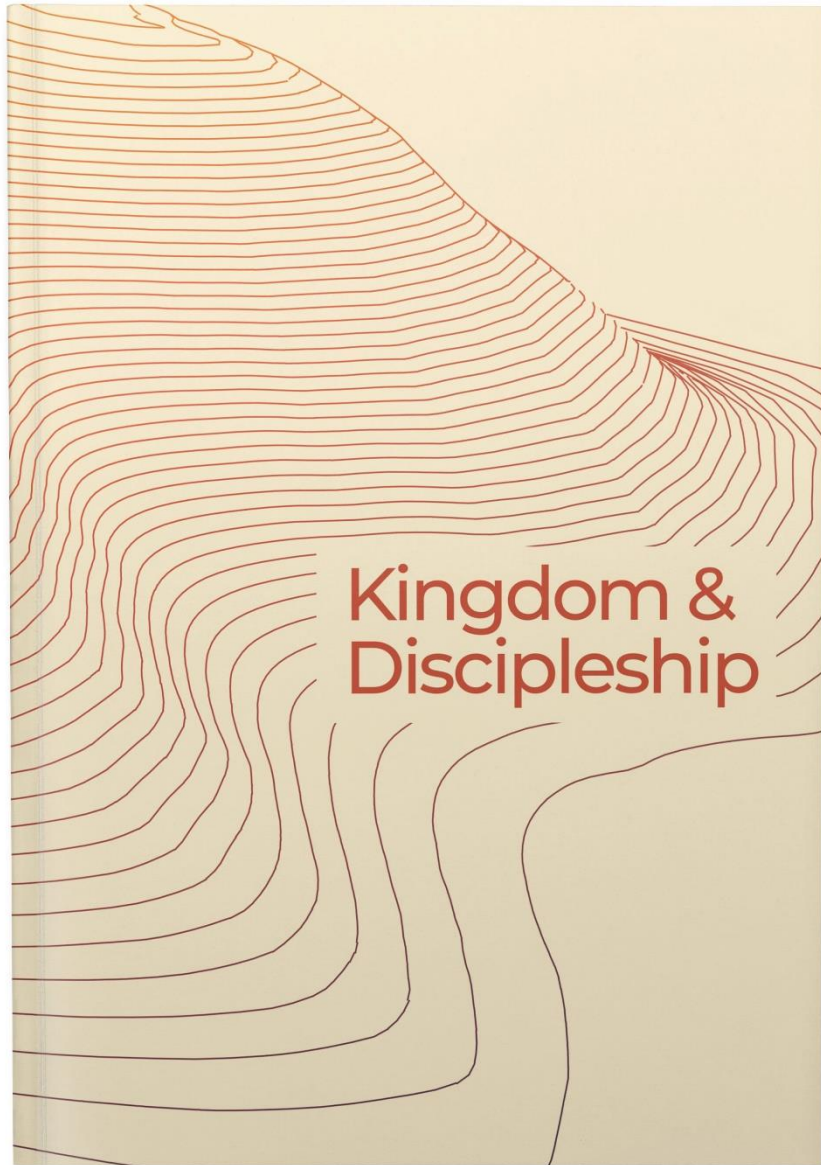
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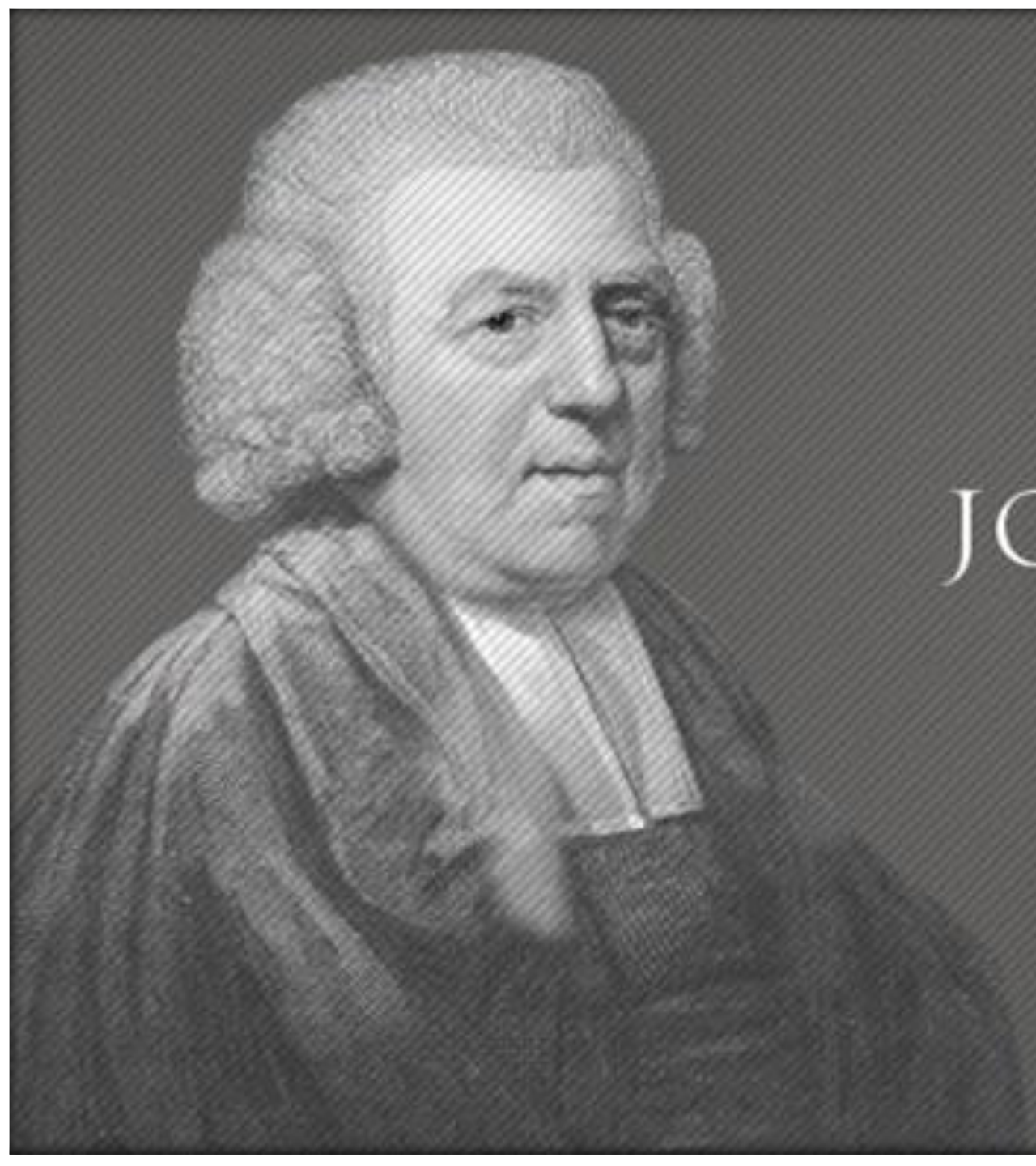
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1 John 3:9 (NLT)

Those who have been born into God's family do not make a practice of sinning, because God's life is in them. So they can't keep on sinning, because they are children of God.



WALKING IN THE LIGHT
is not
Sinless Perfection
but a
Sincere Progression.



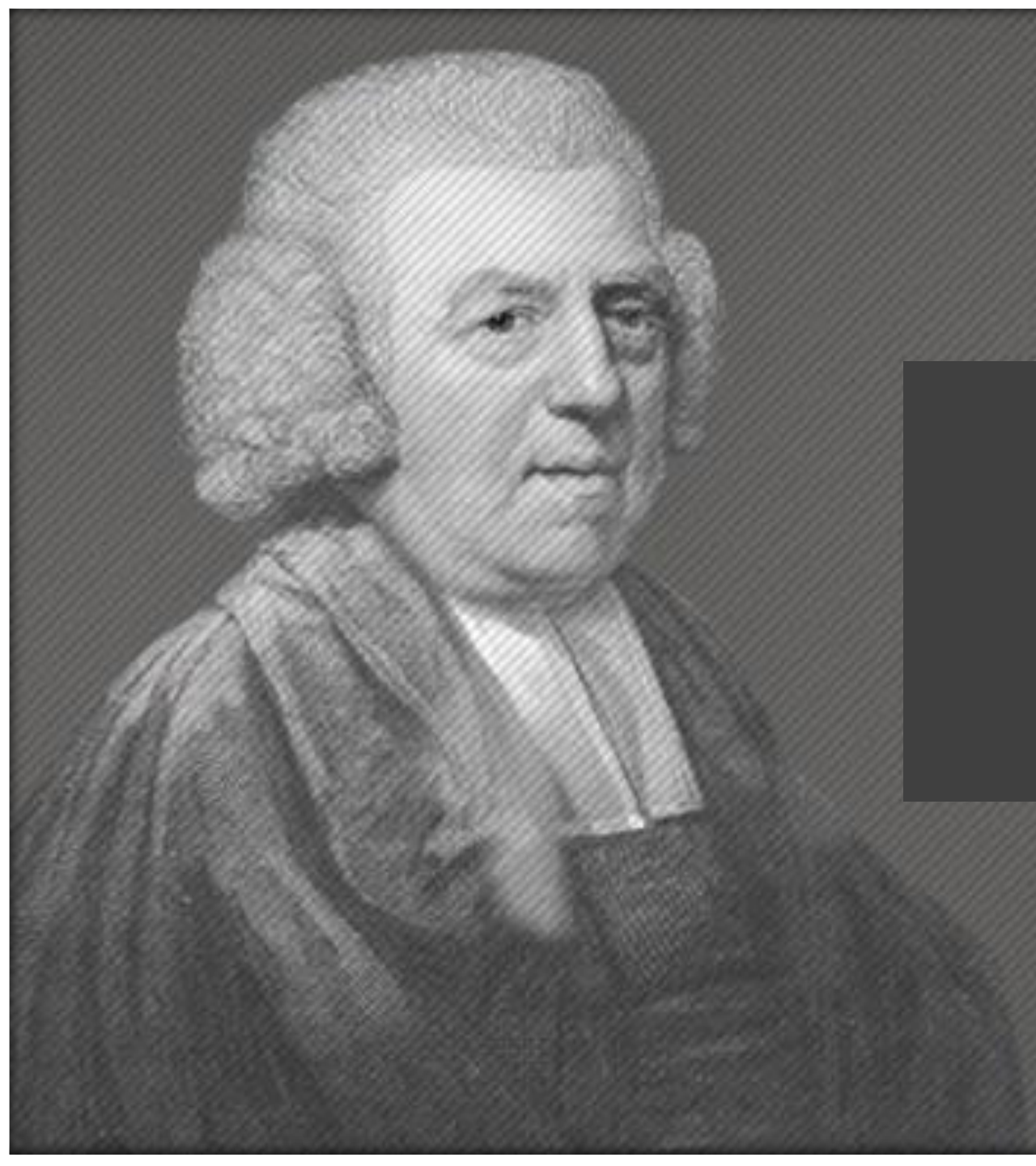
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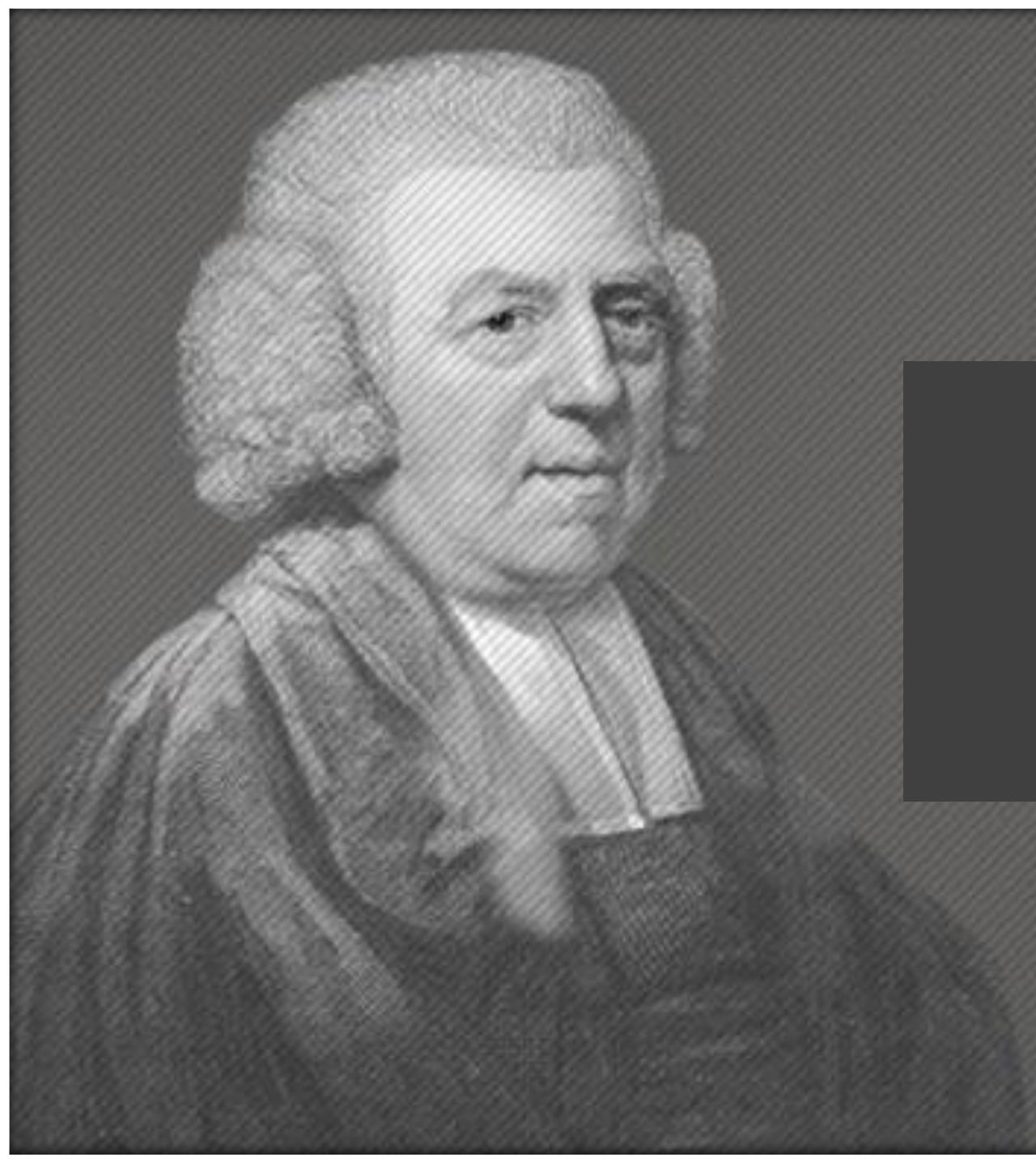


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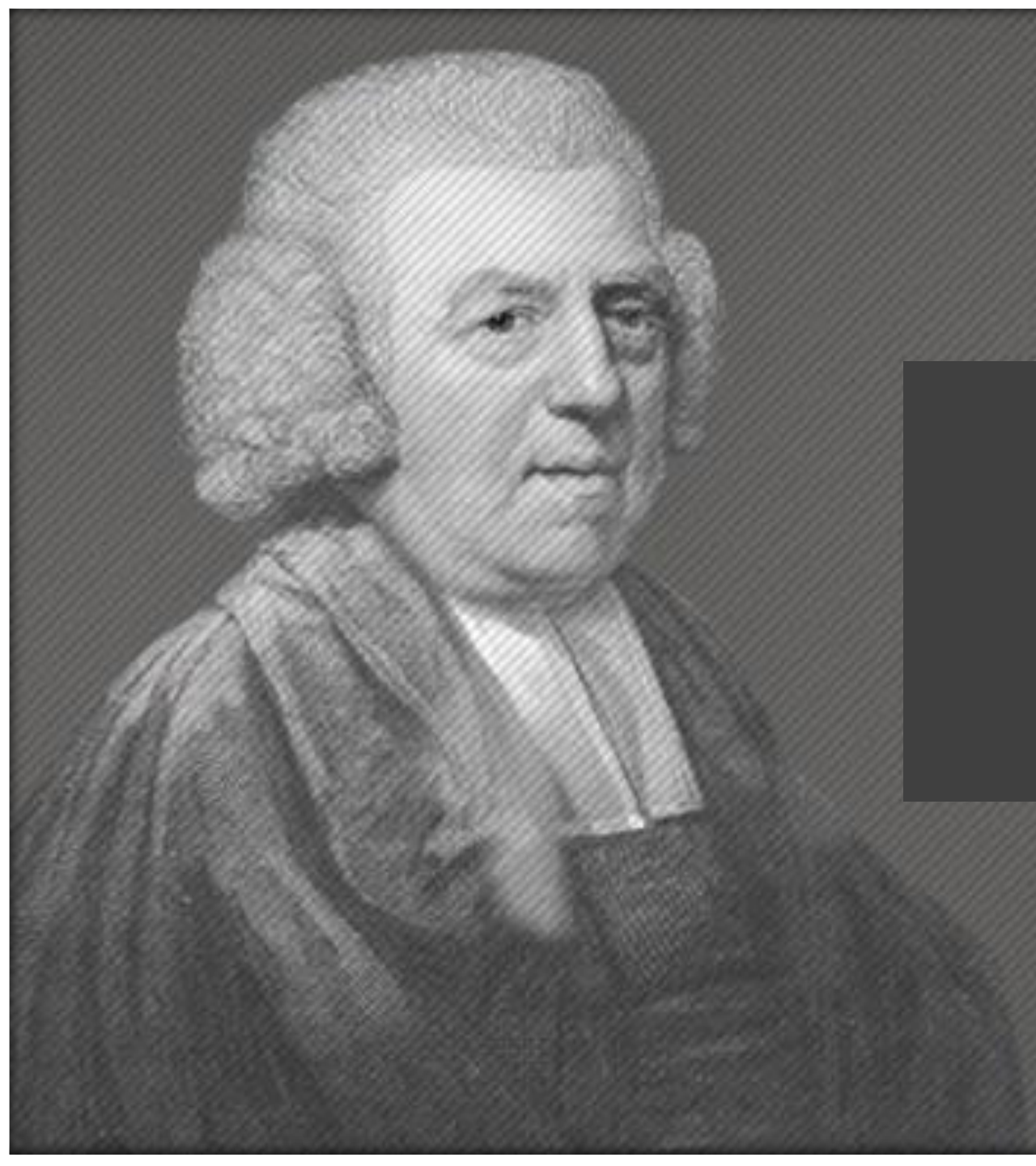
If I ever reach heaven, I expect to find
three wonders there...



1 To meet some I would not have
expected to be there...



2 To miss some I would have
expected to be there...



3 The greatest wonder of all –
TO FIND MYSELF THERE!