

How Shall We Sing
the Lord's Song in
a Strange Land

PSALM 137

THE TIMES THEY ARE A-CHANGIN' BOB DYLAN

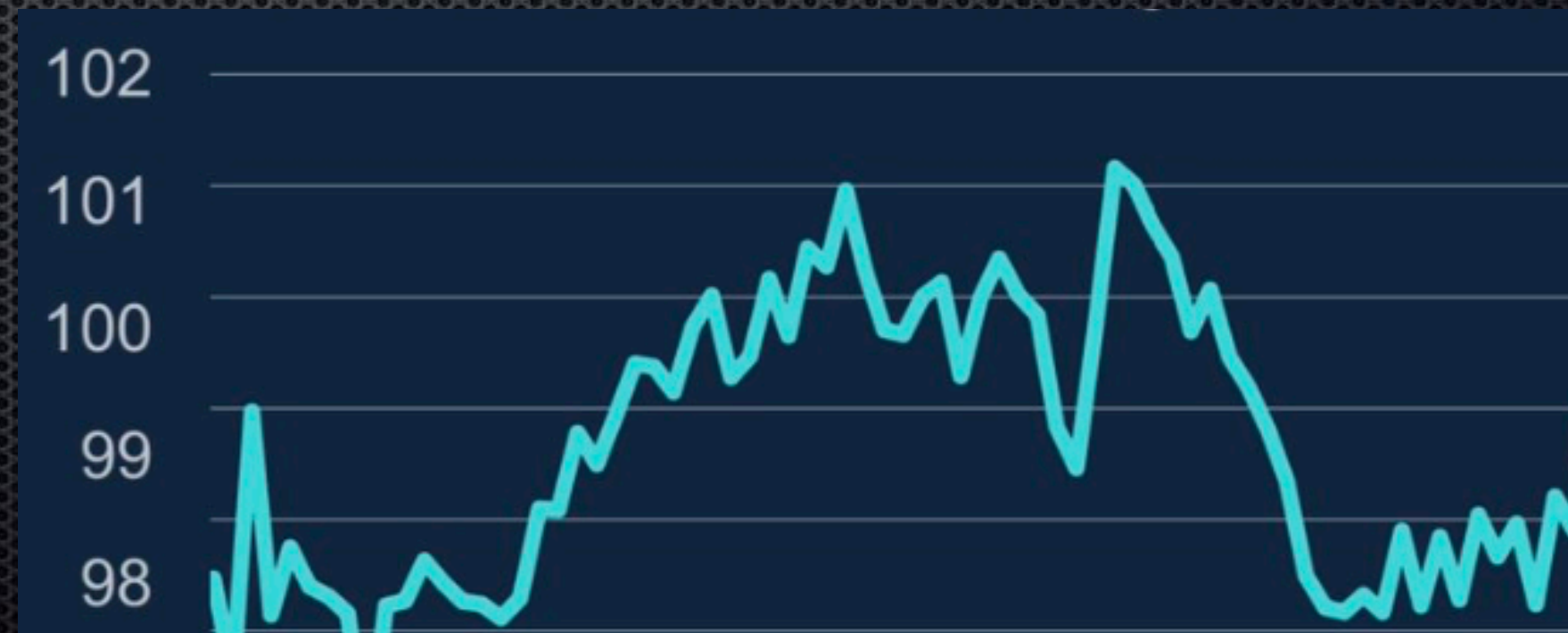
THE LONELY BEAT OF ENTER DARRYL
DOWN BY SPIDER LEAFEN
BEHOLDEN FAREWELL WITH GUY ON THE SIDE
THE TIMES THEY ARE A-CHANGIN'
ONLY A TRAMP IN THEIR GAME
WHEN THE LEAF BURST IN 'TUNE THE BANY MORNING
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Dark Water Burning World Issam Kourbaj



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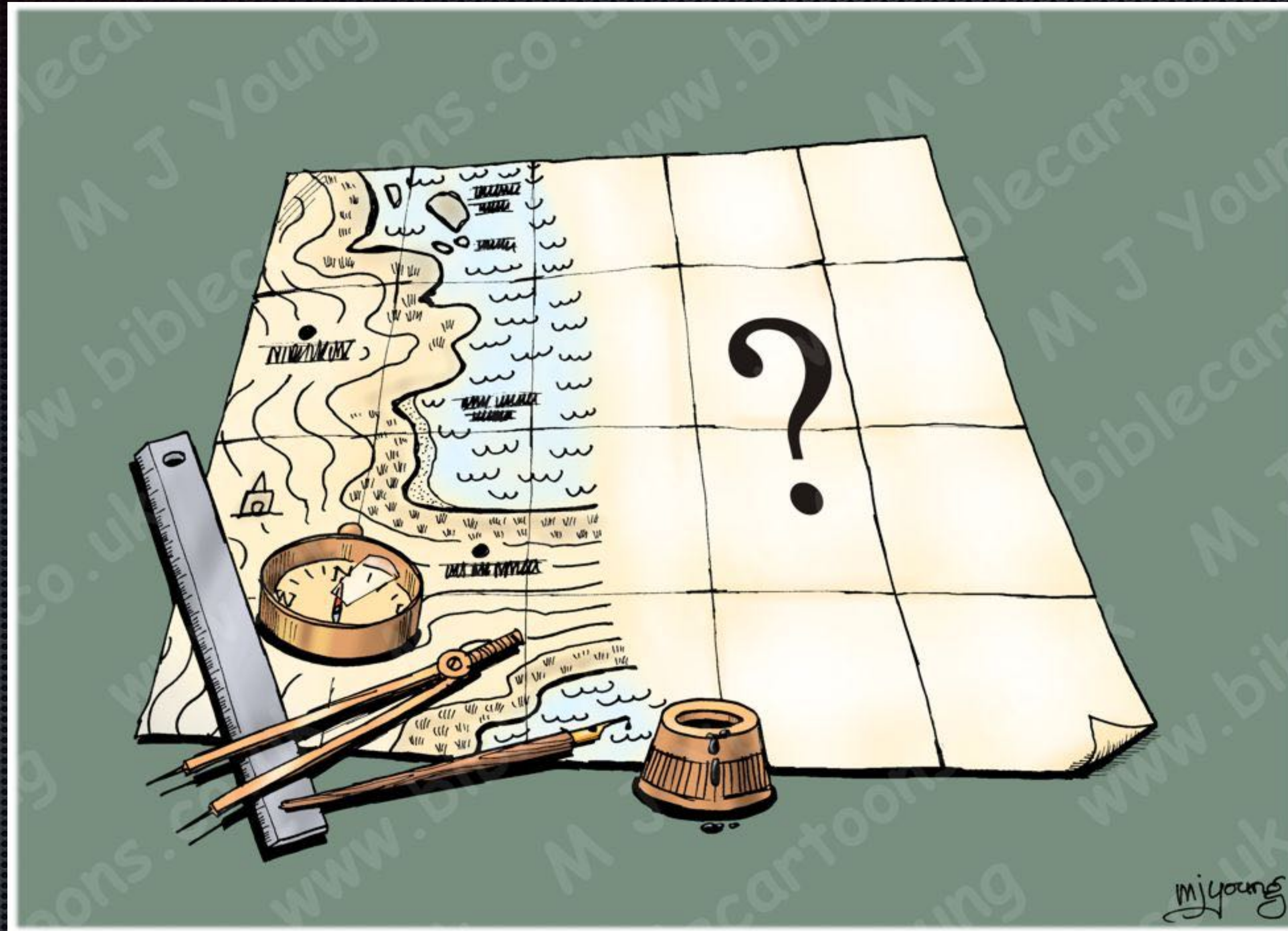


THE FIRST
RESPONSIBILITY OF A
LEADER IS TO
DEFINE REALITY.
-MAX DEPREE

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Unravelling



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Uncharted territory

WHEN WRITTEN IN CHINESE, THE WORD

CRISIS

IS COMPOSED OF TWO CHARACTERS

ONE REPRESENTS

DANGER

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AND THE OTHER REPRESENTS

OPPORTUNITY

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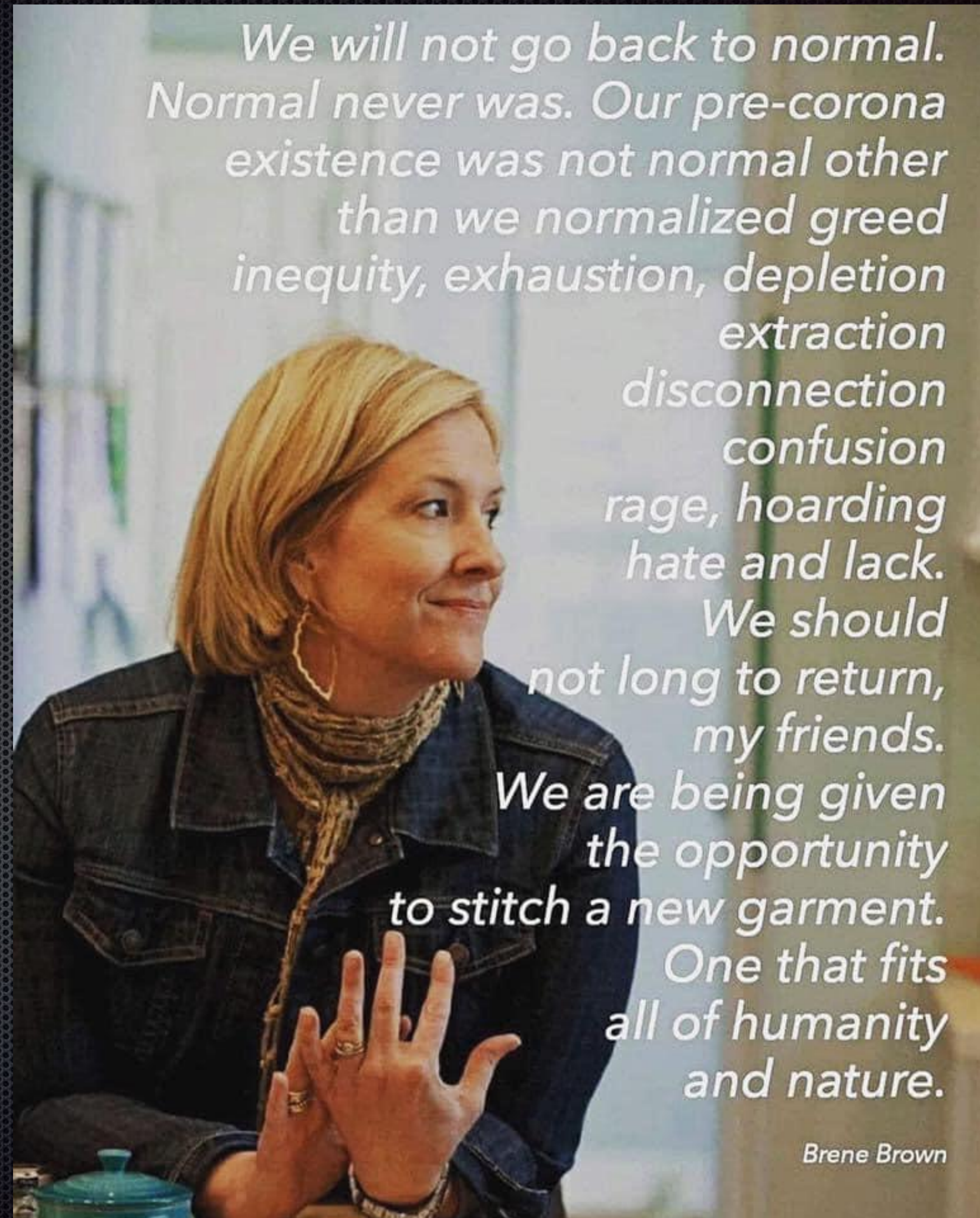
John F. Kennedy

Crisis and Opportunity

Anxiety and Adventure

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*We will not go back to normal.
Normal never was. Our pre-corona
existence was not normal other
than we normalized greed
inequity, exhaustion, depletion
extraction
disconnection
confusion
rage, hoarding
hate and lack.
We should
not long to return,
my friends.
We are being given
the opportunity
to stitch a new garment.
One that fits
all of humanity
and nature.*

Brene Brown



Stories in the midst of upheaval and unravelling

Jeremiah - Luke / Acts - Benedict and Celtic



Carve a tunnel of hope through the
dark mountain of disappointment.

— *Martin Luther King* —

FOR I Know ^{THE} Plans
I HAVE FOR YOU

says the Lord

THEY ARE
PLANS FOR GOOD
AND NOT FOR DISASTER

TO GIVE YOU

a future & a hope

Jeremiah

- God is at work
- There's a future and a hope
- Stay
- Reorientate
- Bless
- Re-imagine

JEREMIAH 29:11, NLT

LUKE-ACTS

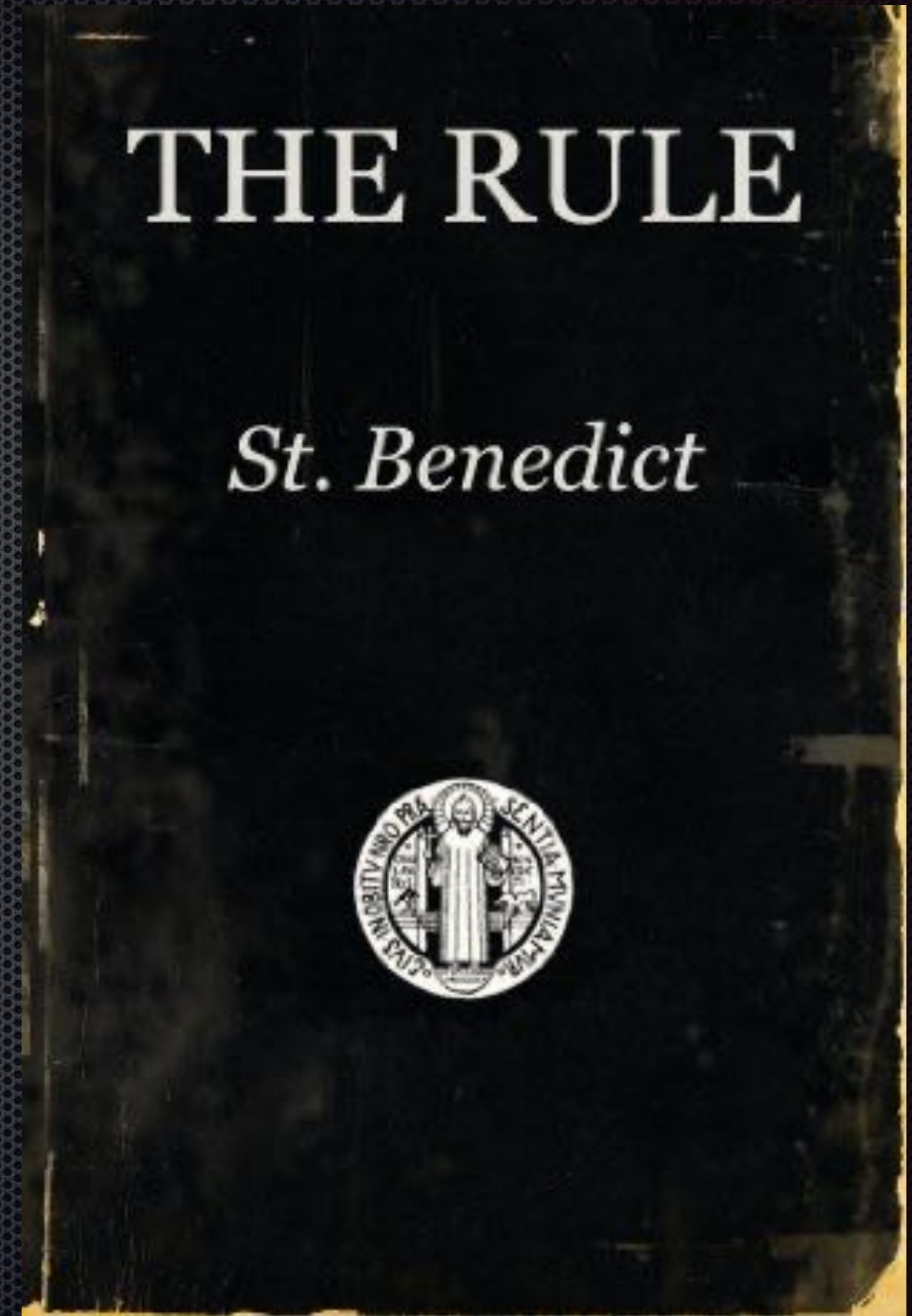
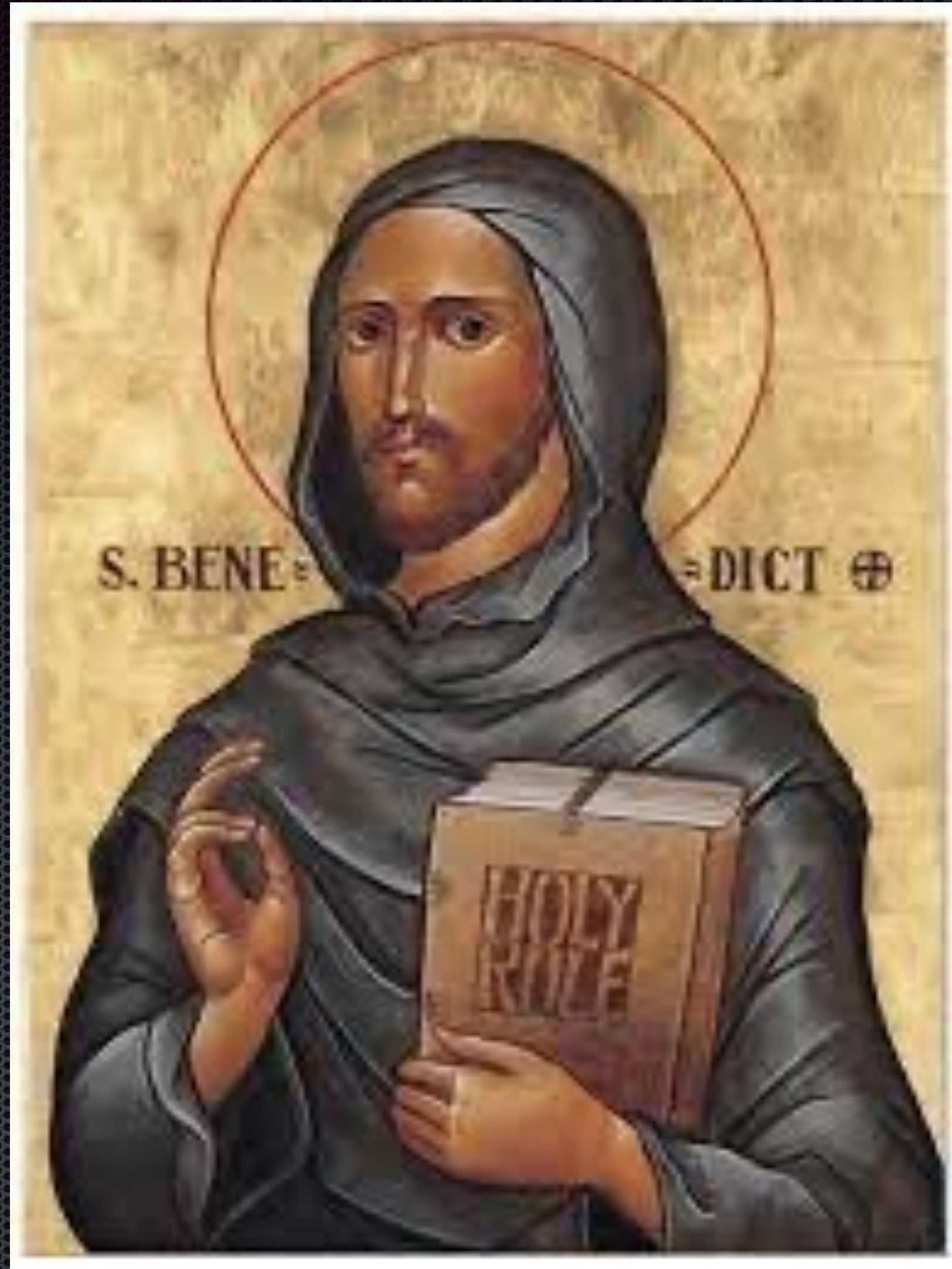
Luke 10:1-12

- Discovering what it means to follow Christ in an unprecedented
- Discovering God at work in the unexpected places and among people

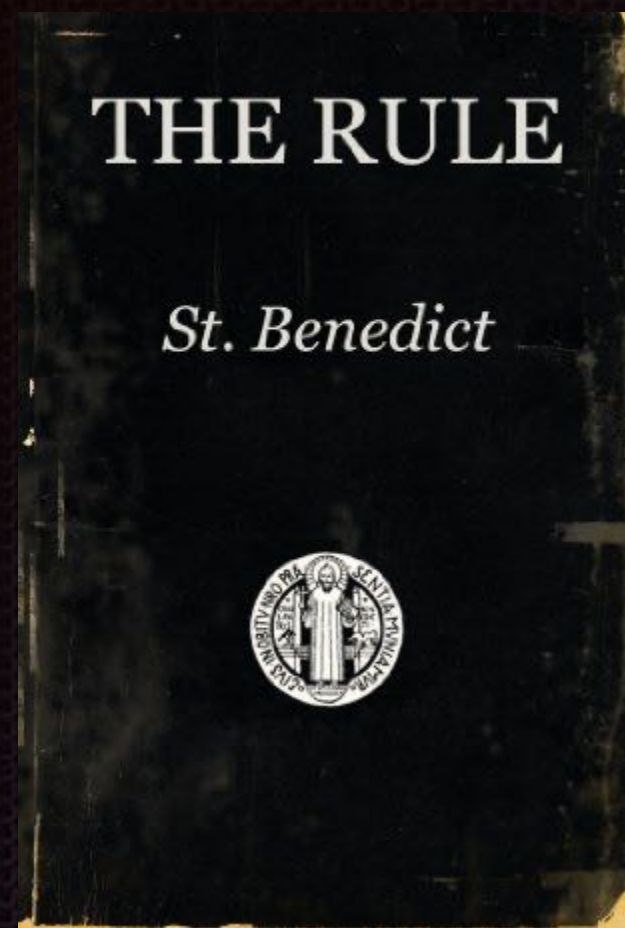
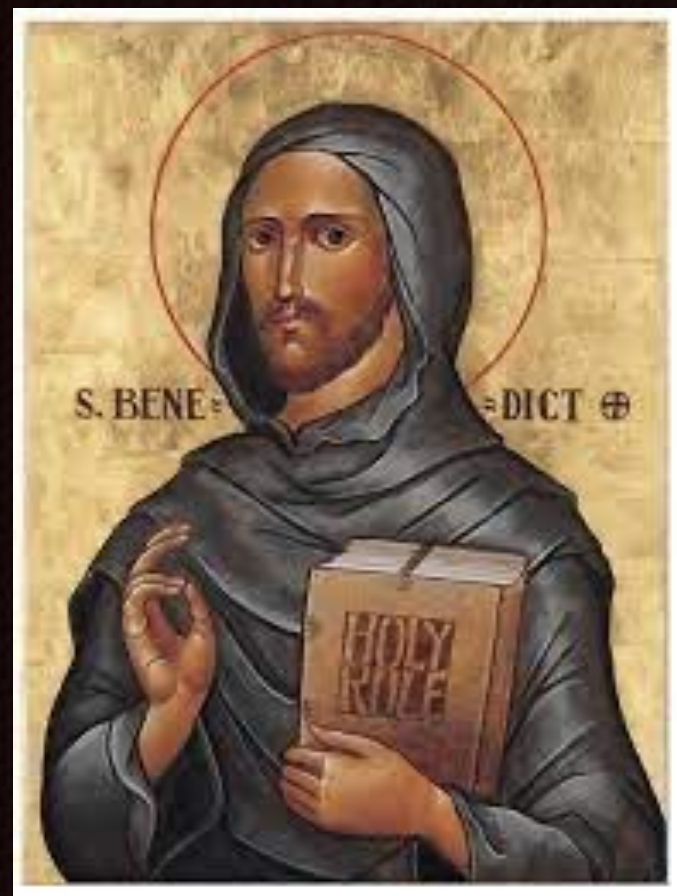
"She once again has proven herself to be one of the most trenchant observers
and challenging critics of American culture and character."
—*The Christian Science Monitor*

DARK AGE AHEAD

JANE JACOBS
*Author of THE DEATH AND LIFE OF
GREAT AMERICAN CITIES*

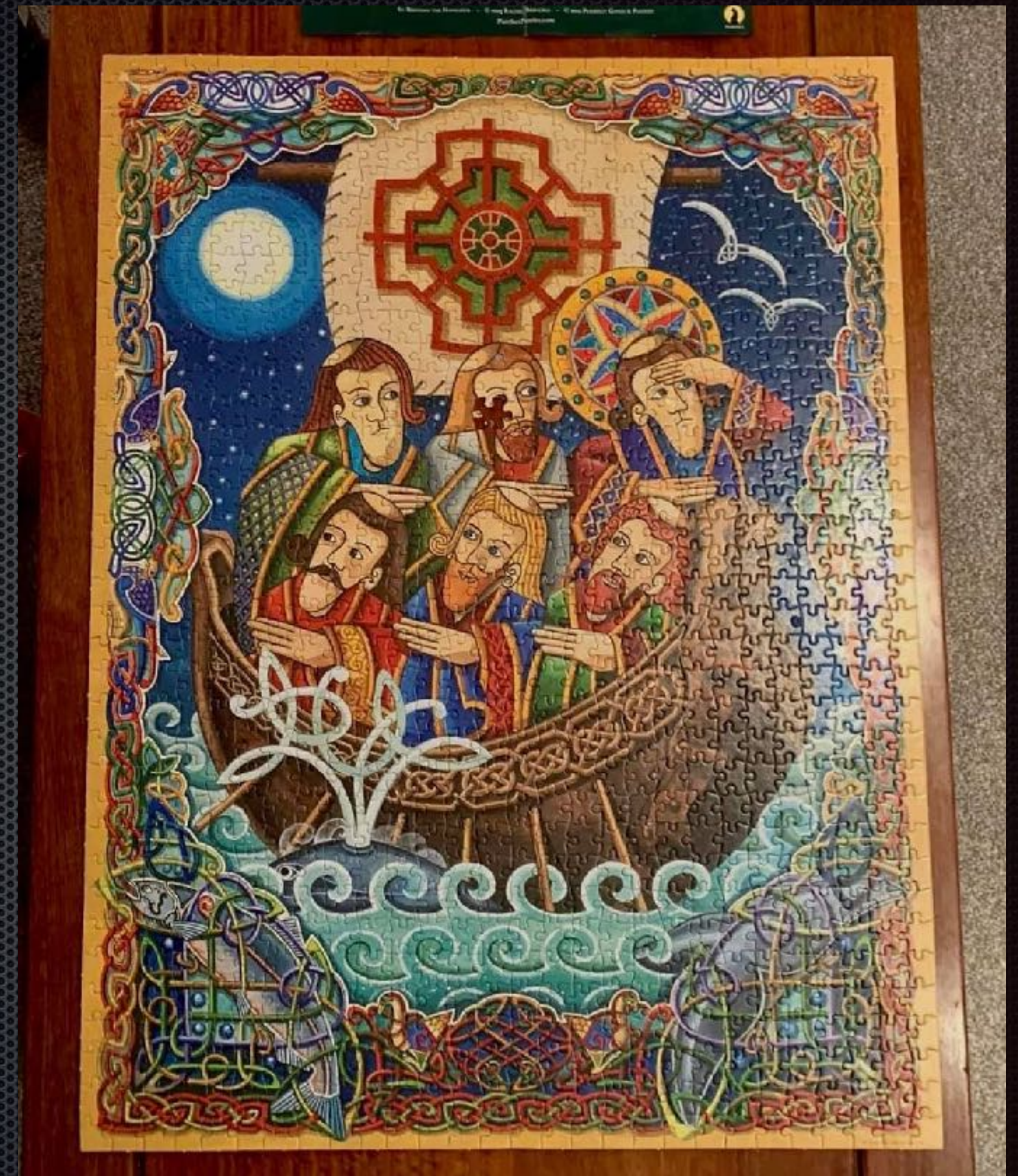


Benedict's Rule and Discerning God's Story in Crisis



What matters at this stage is the construction of local forms of community within which civility and the intellectual and moral life can be sustained through the new dark ages which are already upon us. And if the tradition of the virtues was able to survive the horrors of the last dark ages, we are not entirely without grounds for hope. This time however the barbarians are not waiting beyond the frontiers; they have already been governing us for quite some time. And it is our lack of consciousness of this that constitutes part of our predicament. We are waiting not for a Godot, but for another—doubtless very different—St. Benedict.

Alisdair MacIntyre, *After Virtue*



Celtic Saints: contemplatives in the world of action

PATTERNS

- Prayer
- Patterns and Practices
- Exploration, journey
- Paradoxes
- Incarnational
- Relational
- Communitarian

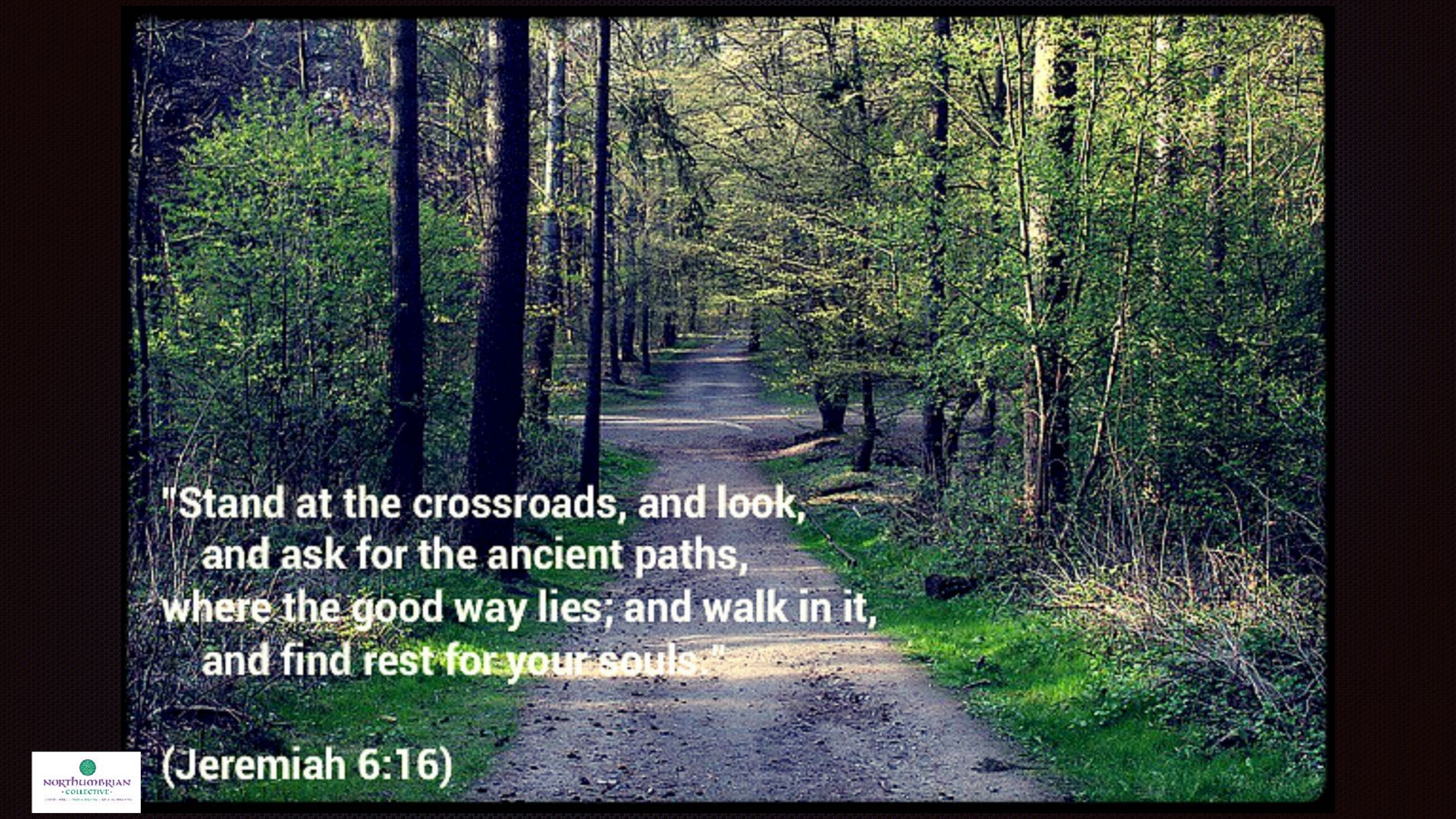
POSTURES

- Patterns and Practices
- Acceptance
- Exploration
- Rediscovery
- Relational
- Communitarian

PRACTICES

- Dwelling
- Discerning
- Experimenting



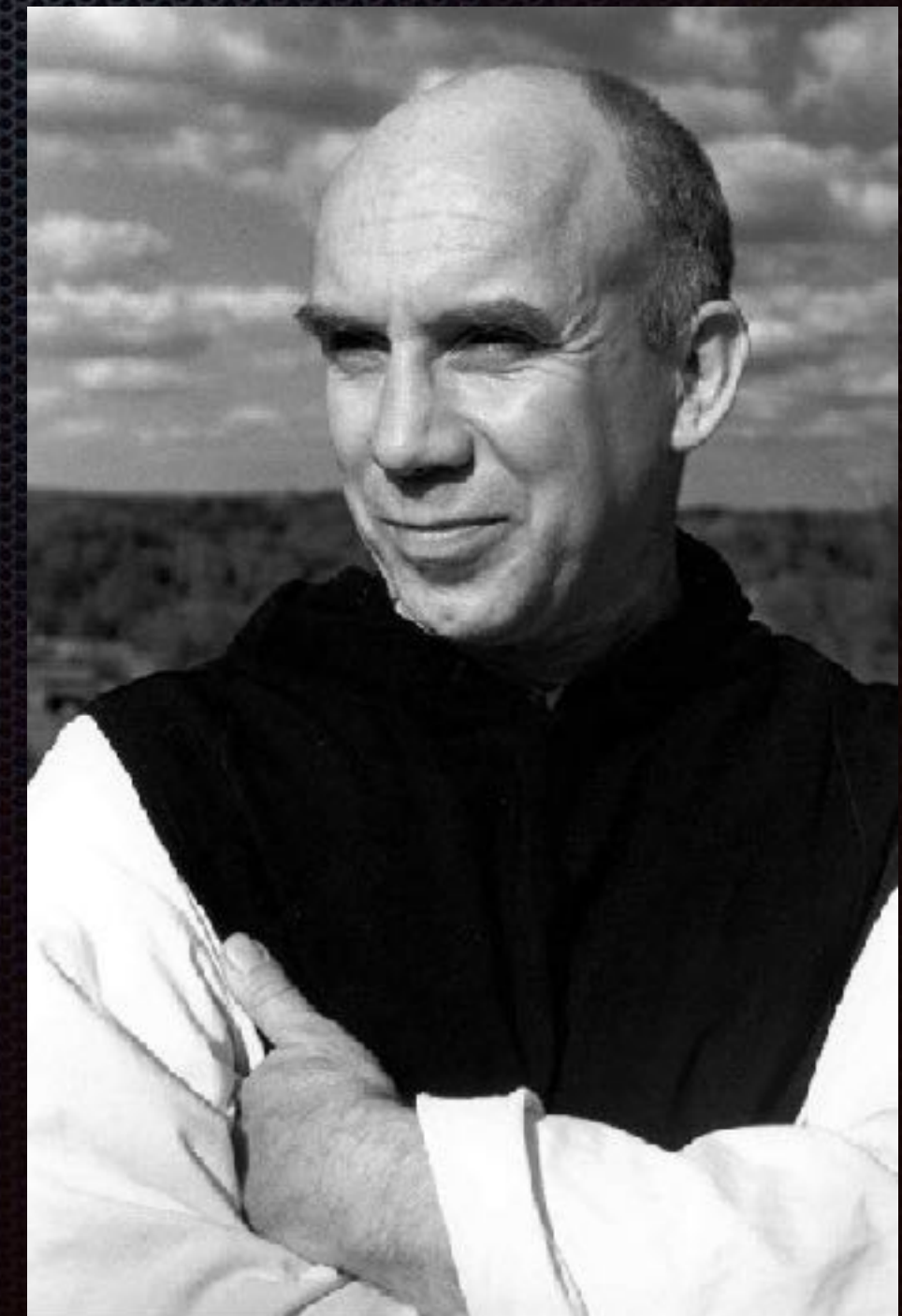


**"Stand at the crossroads, and look,
and ask for the ancient paths,
where the good way lies; and walk in it,
and find rest for your souls."**

(Jeremiah 6:16)

We cannot do exactly as they did but we must be as thorough and as ruthless in our determination to break off all spiritual chains, to cast off the domination of alien compulsions and find our true selves; to discover our inalienable spiritual liberty and use it to build on earth the kingdom of God.

Thomas Merton



Applied Theology



Thank you for listening and participating.

Bless you and take care

Roy



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