

Genesis 12:1-2 (NLT)

The LORD had said to Abram, “Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father’s family, and go to the land that I will show you. [2] I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others.

Genesis 12:3 (NLT)
**I will bless those who bless you and
curse those who treat you with
contempt. All the families on earth will
be blessed through you**

Genesis 13:1,3 (NLT)

[1] So Abram left Egypt and traveled north into the Negev, along with his wife and Lot and all that they owned.

...[3] From the Negev, they continued traveling by stages toward Bethel...

Genesis 13:3-4 (NLT)

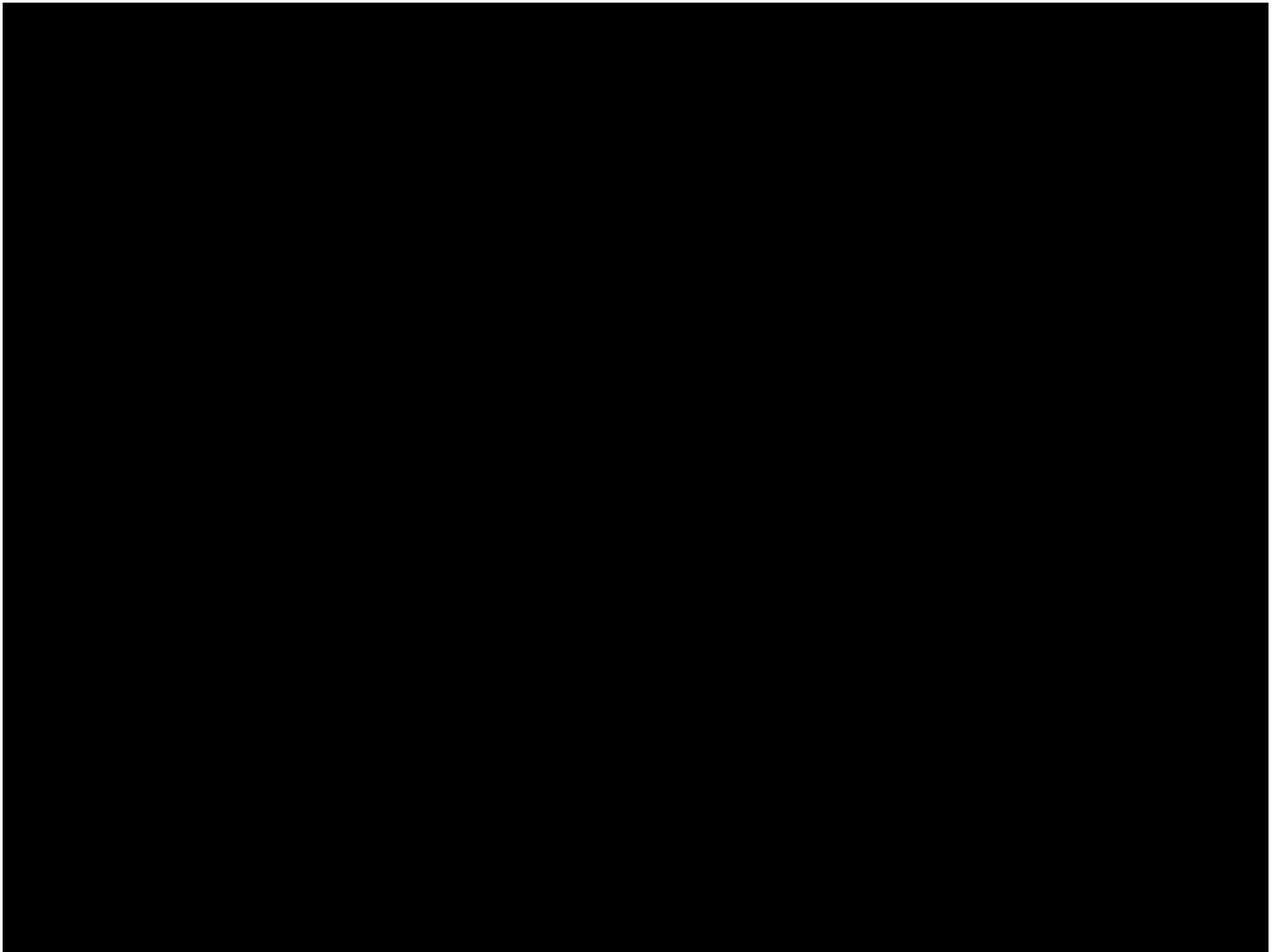
...and they pitched their tents between Bethel and Ai, where they had camped before. [4] This was the same place where Abram had built the altar, and there he worshiped the LORD again.

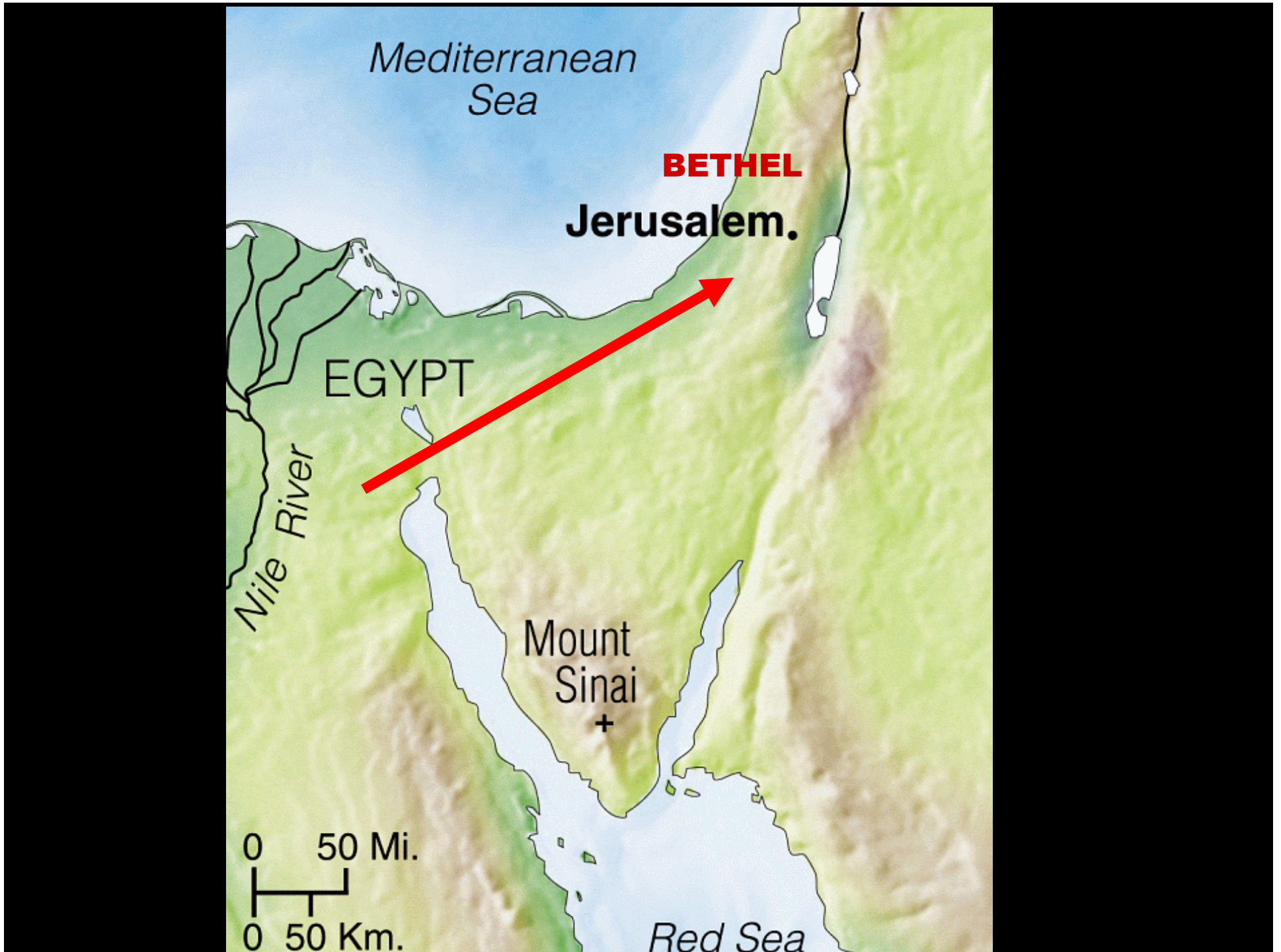
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Genesis 13:1-18

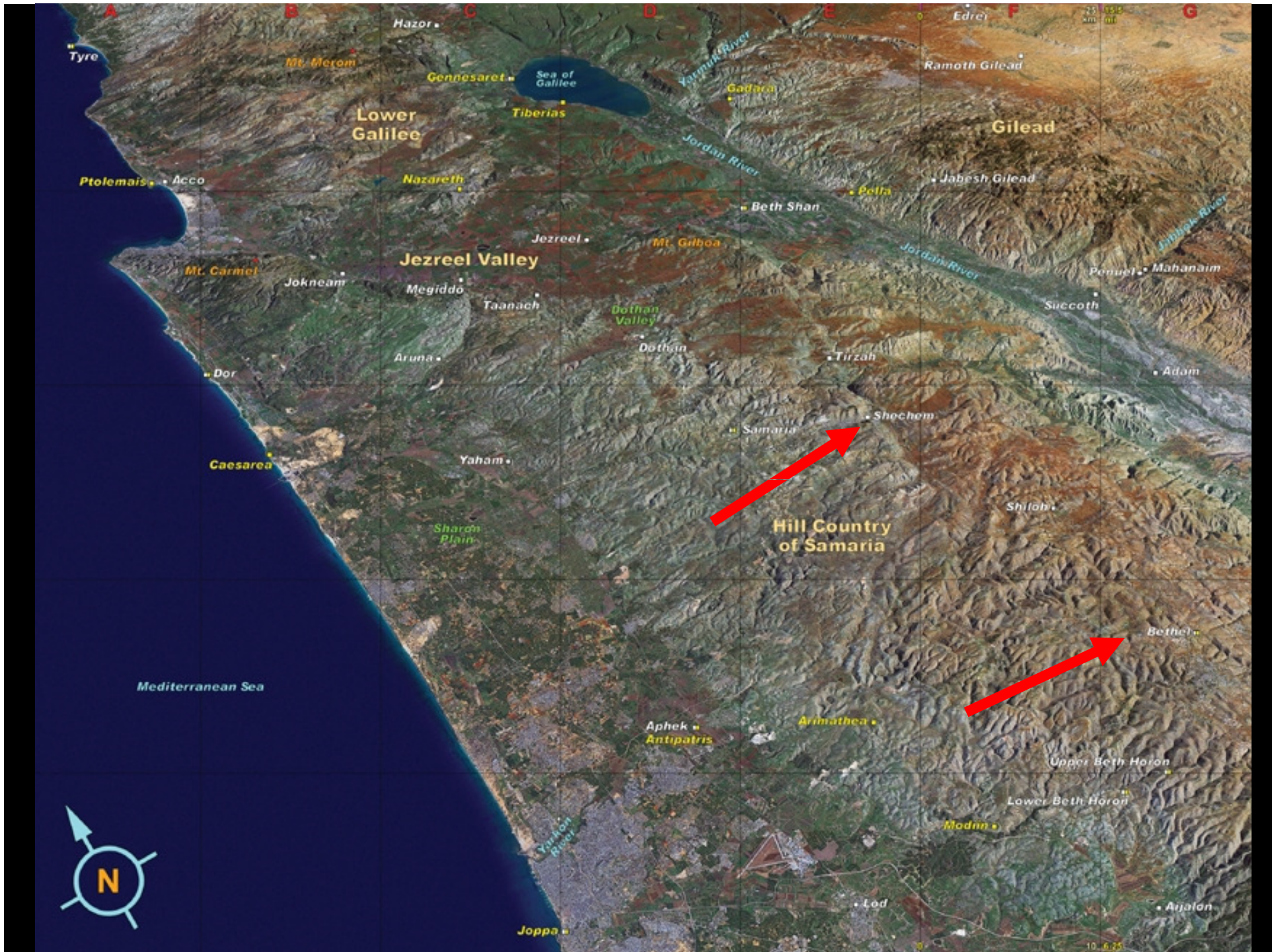
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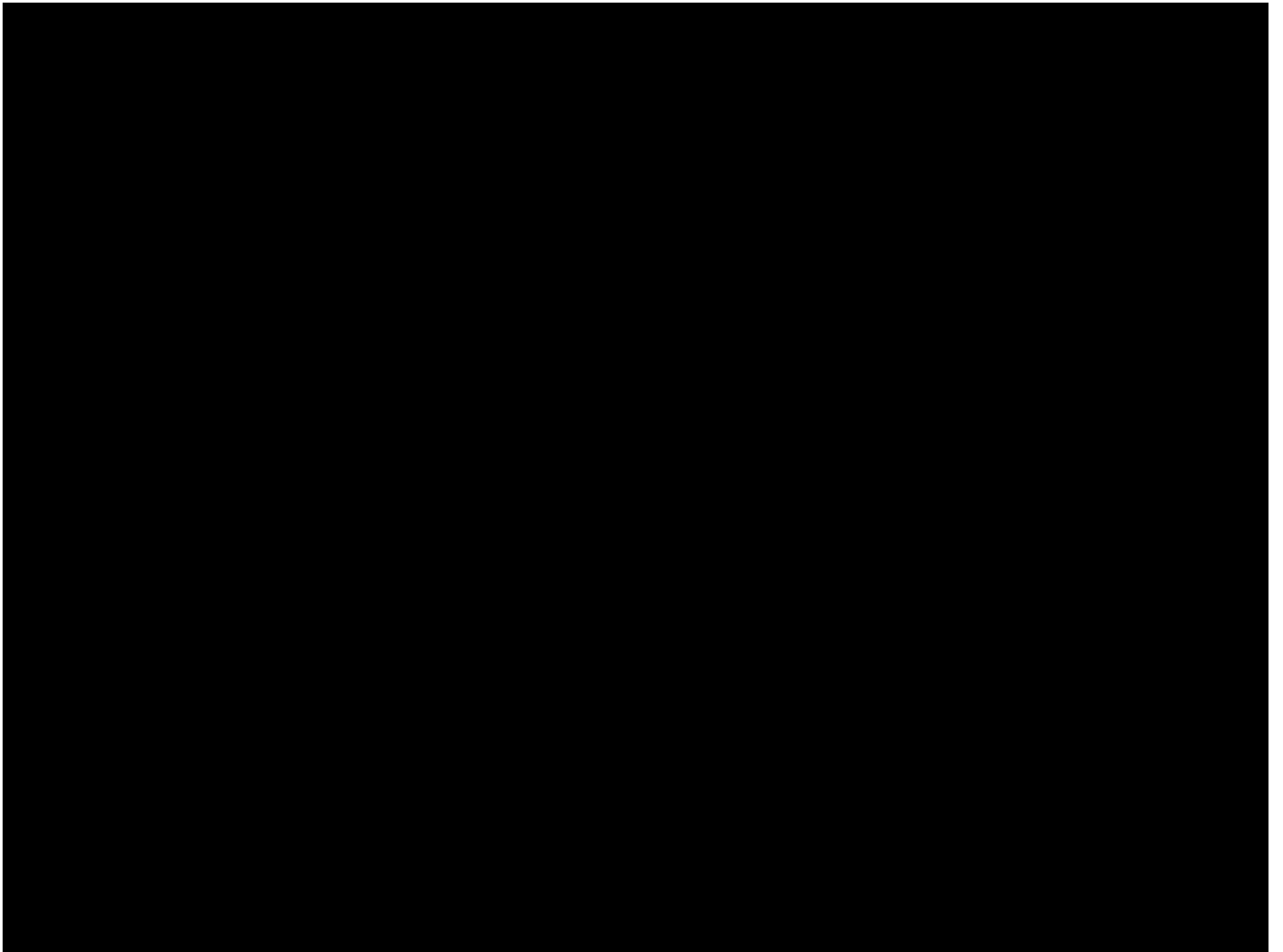
- **HOW** will Abraham Obtain the **LAND**?
- **WHO** will be Abraham's **HEIR**?











Hebrews 10:23-24(NIV)

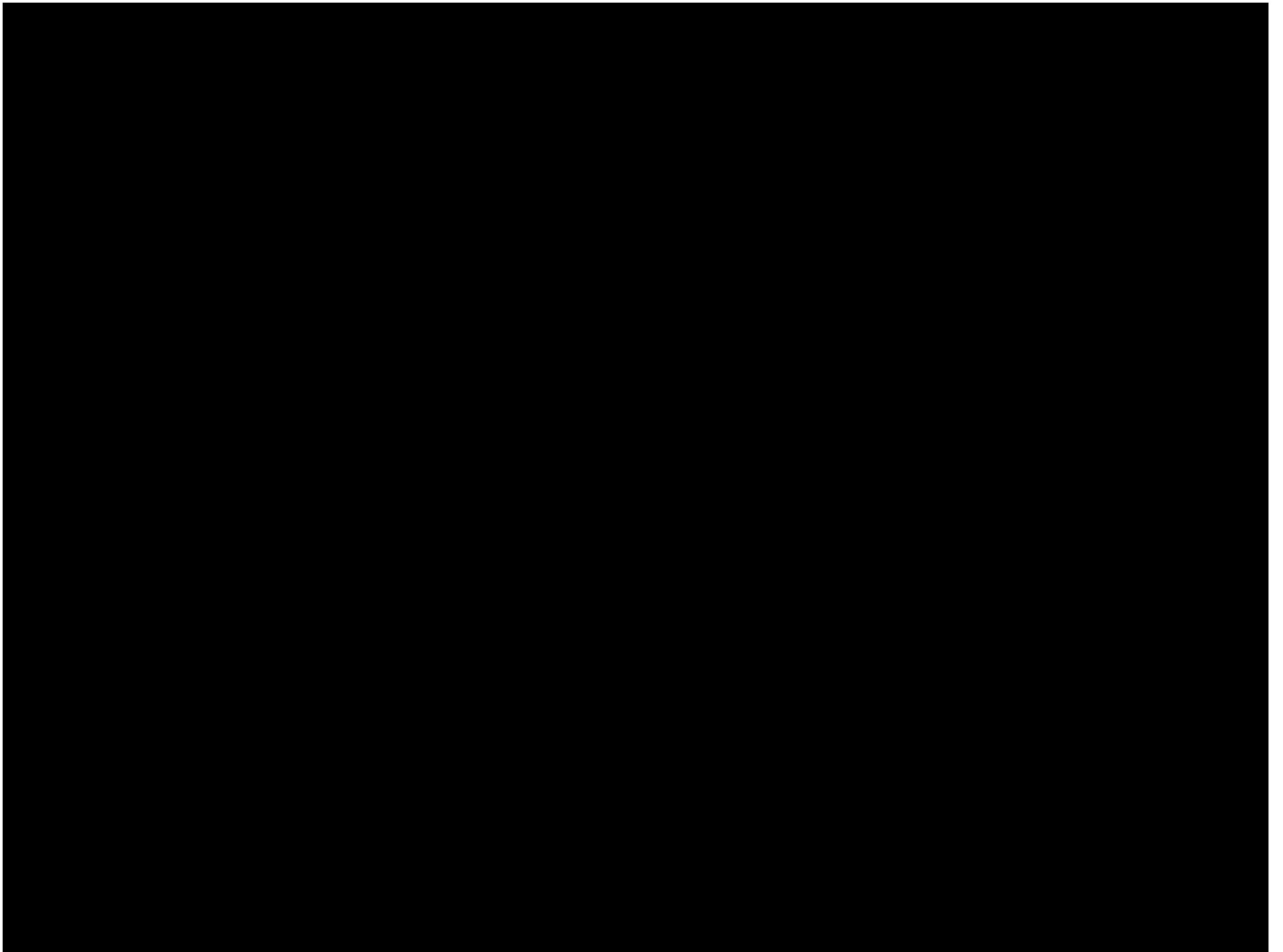
Let us **hold unswervingly** to the **HOPE**
we **PROFESS**, for **HE who promised is**
faithful. [24] And let us consider how we
may **spur one another** on toward love
and good deeds.

Hebrews 10:25 (NIV)

Let us NOT give up MEETING TOGETHER, as some are in the habit of doing, **but let us encourage one another** - and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

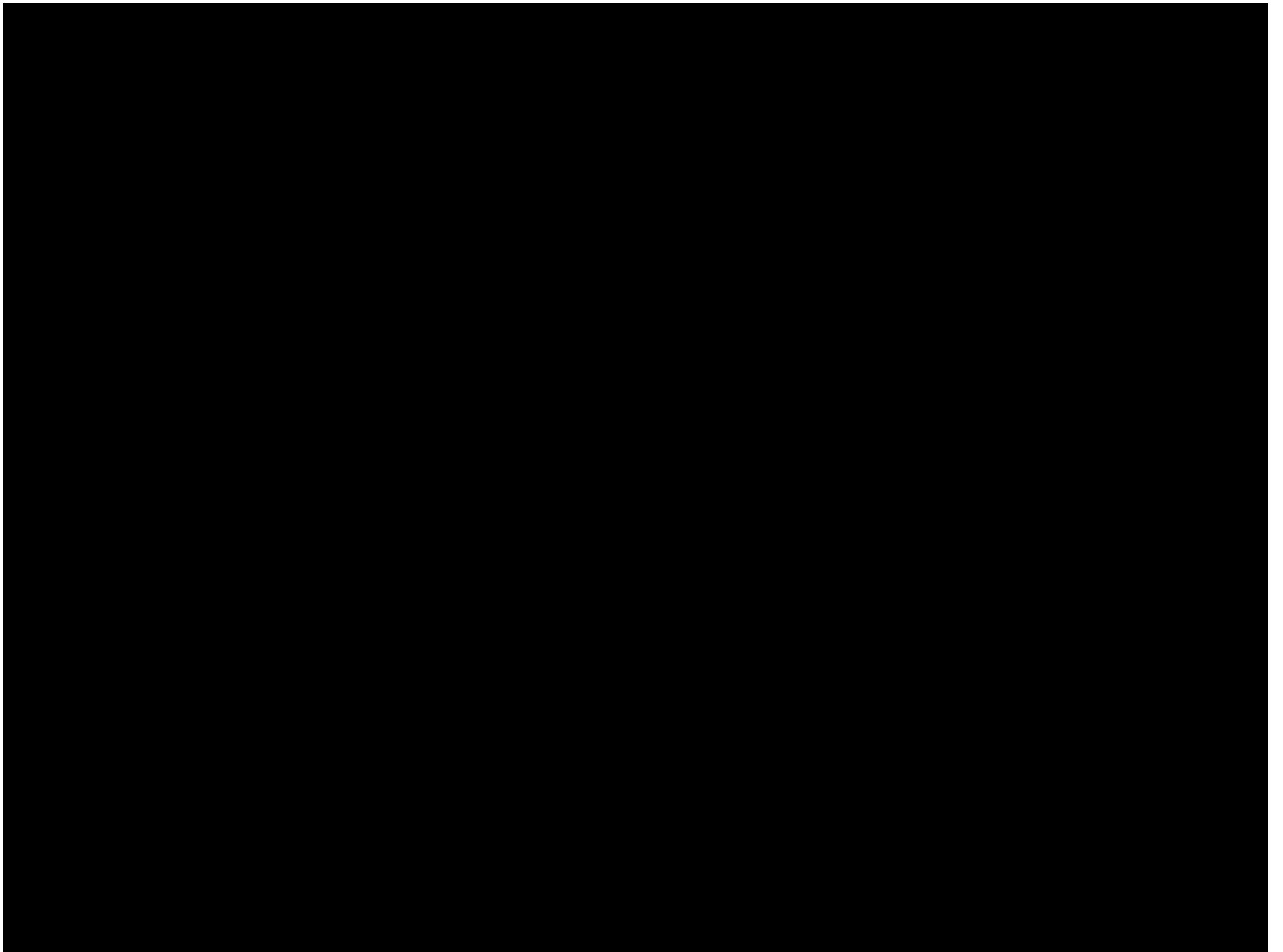
Revelation 2:4-5 (NAS)

But I have this against you, that **you have left your FIRST LOVE**. Therefore remember from where you have fallen, and **REPENT** and **DO THE DEEDS** you **DID AT FIRST**;
OR ELSE I am coming to you and will remove your lampstand out of its place - **unless you REPENT.**



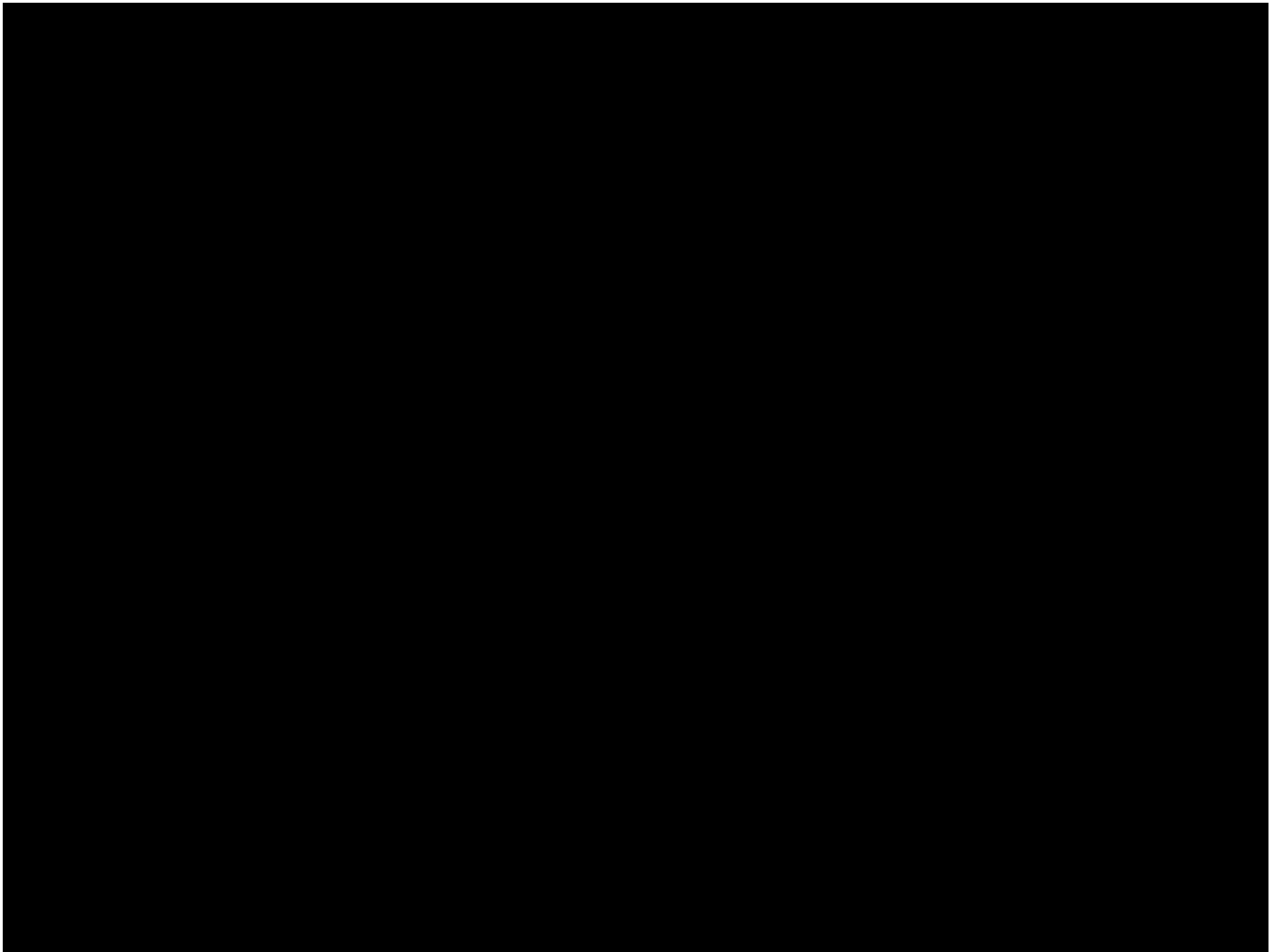






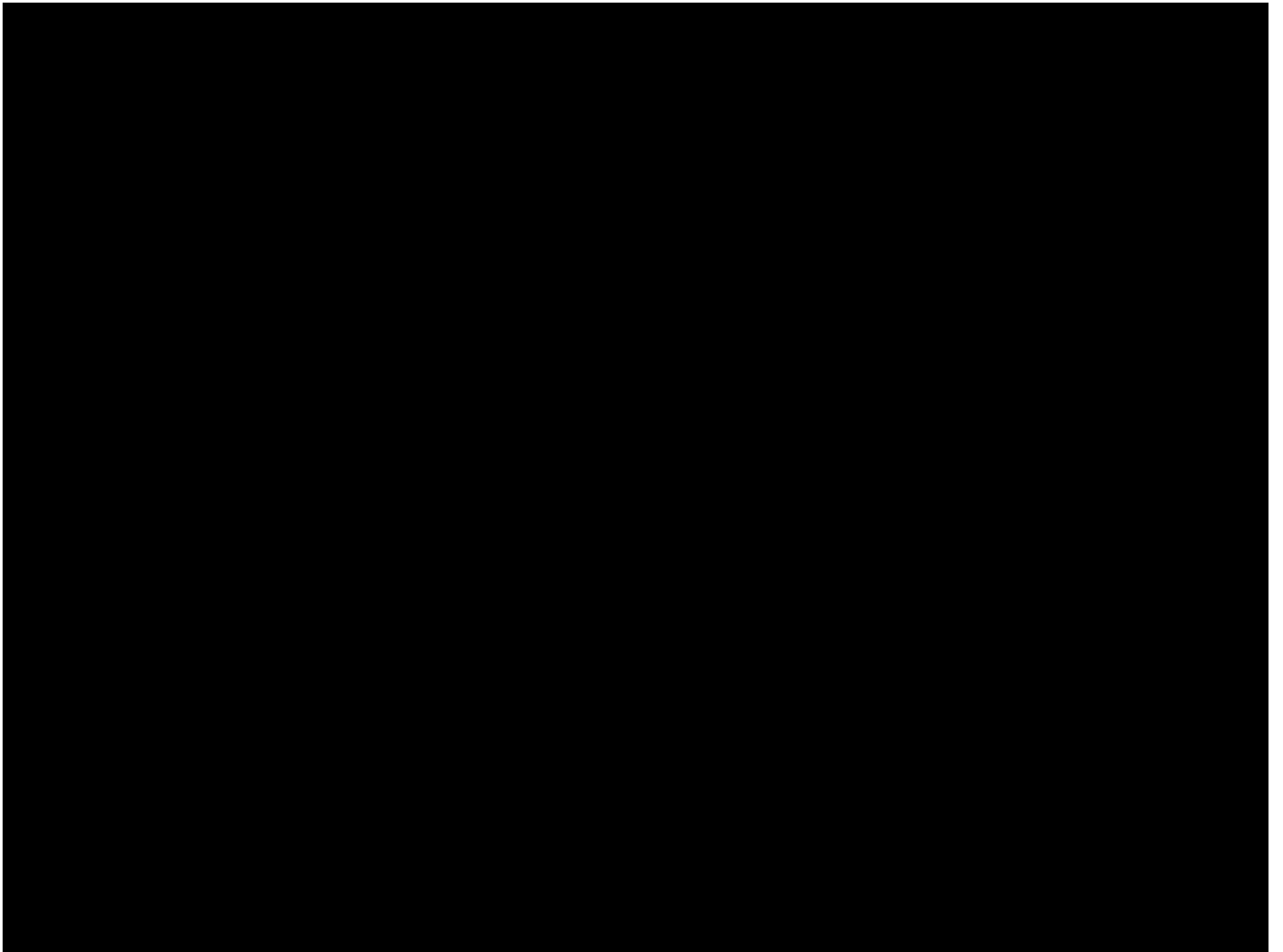
Our choices EXPOSE our HEARTS -
SHOWING what is REALLY there

Our choices IMPACT our FUTURE -
SHAPING the DIRECTION we go



THIRD time God has Spoken to Abram

- the **HEIR** would be his **OWN** son
- the **LAND** would be his and his descendants **FOREVER**
- the **NATION** (his descendants) would be **INNUMERABLE**



→ Repent - Return - Worship

Ephesians 2:4-5 (HCS)

But God, who is RICH in MERCY,
because of **His GREAT LOVE** that He
had for us, **MADE US ALIVE with**
Christ even though we were dead
in trespasses.

You are SAVED by GRACE!

→ Repent - Return - Worship

Upon that cross of Jesus
mine eye at times can see
The very dying form of One
Who suffered there for me;
And from my stricken heart with tears
two wonders I confess;
The wonders of REDEEMING LOVE
and my UNWORTHINESS.

I take, O cross, thy shadow
for my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than
the sunshine of His face;
Content to let the world go by
to know no gain or loss,
My sinful self my only shame,
my **GLORY ALL** the **CROSS**.

QUESTIONS

- 1. Why is so easy to leave our FIRST LOVE?**
- 2. Why is Repentance hard for us?**
- 3. How can we make sure we LIVE in the SHADOW of the CROSS?**

