

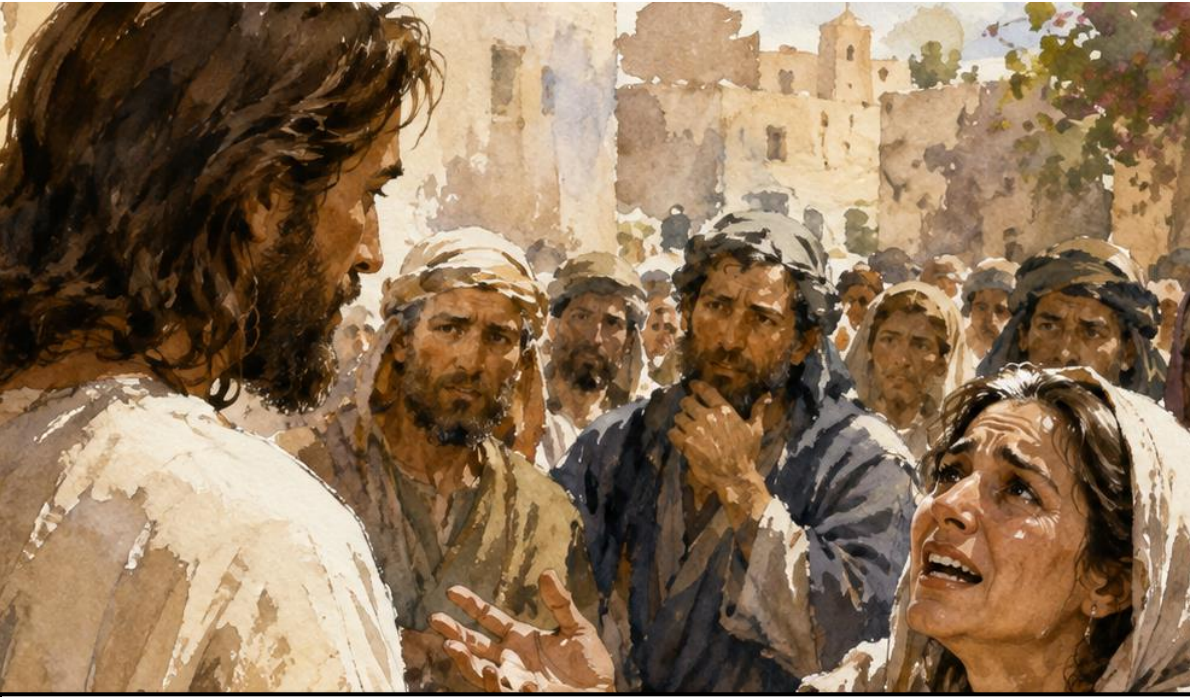
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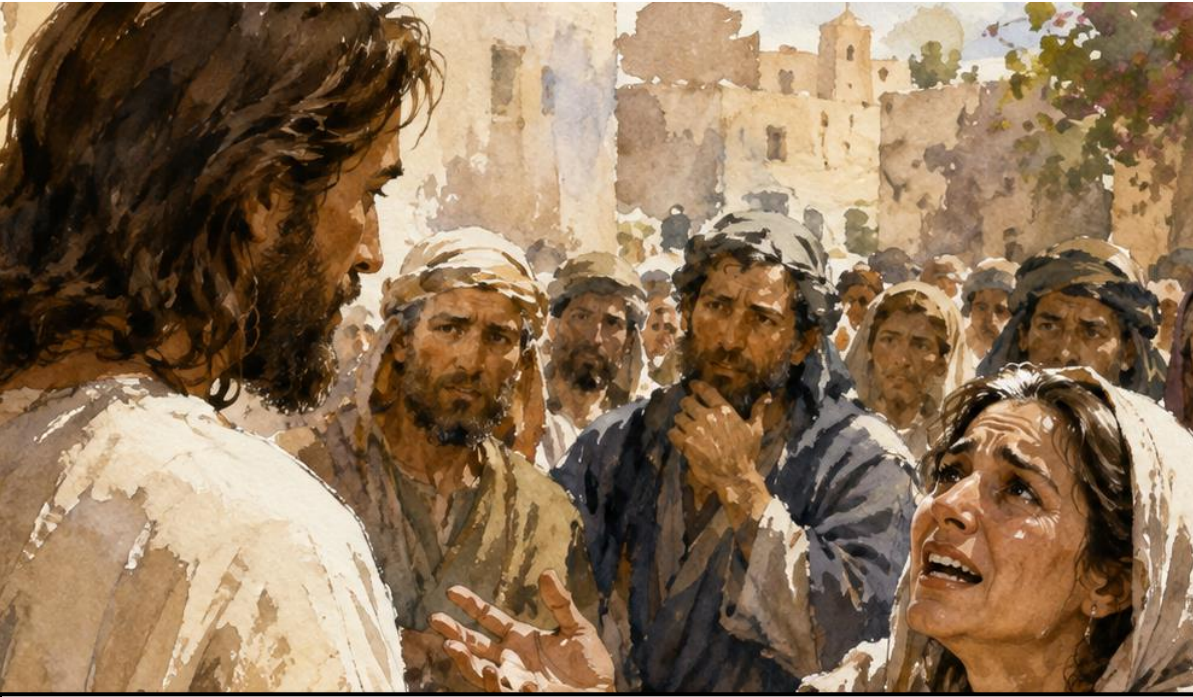
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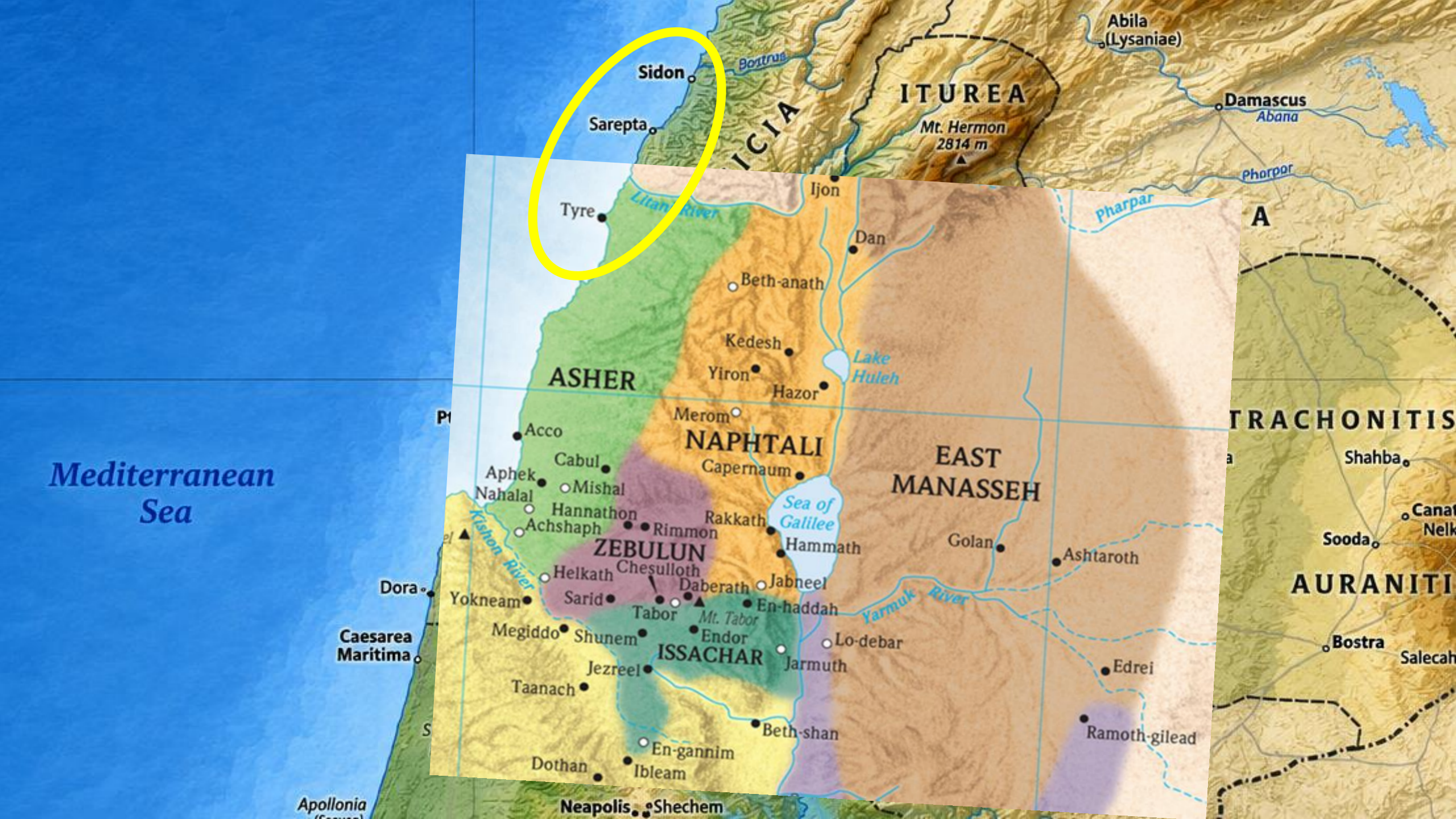
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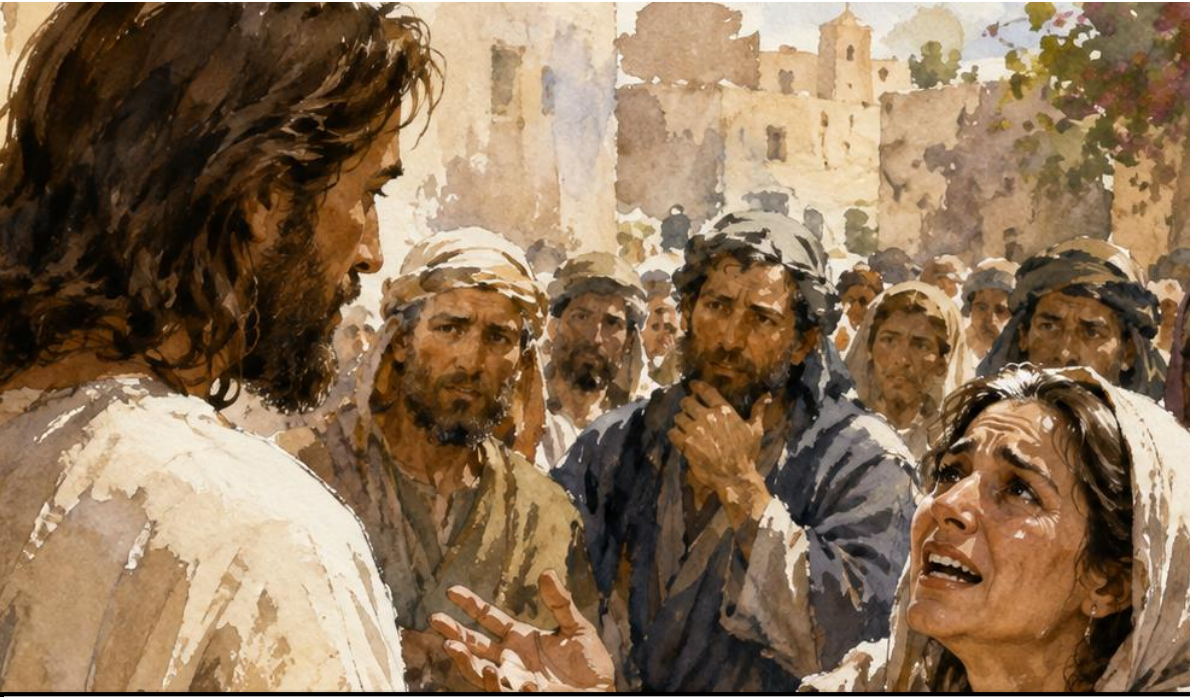
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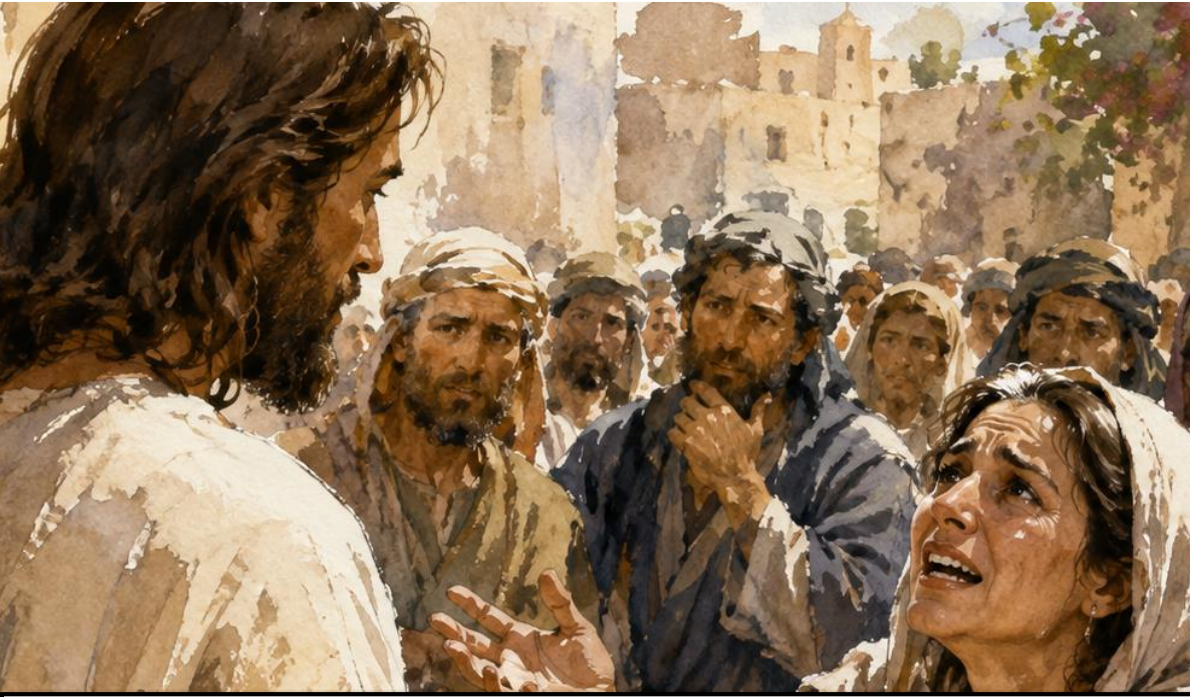
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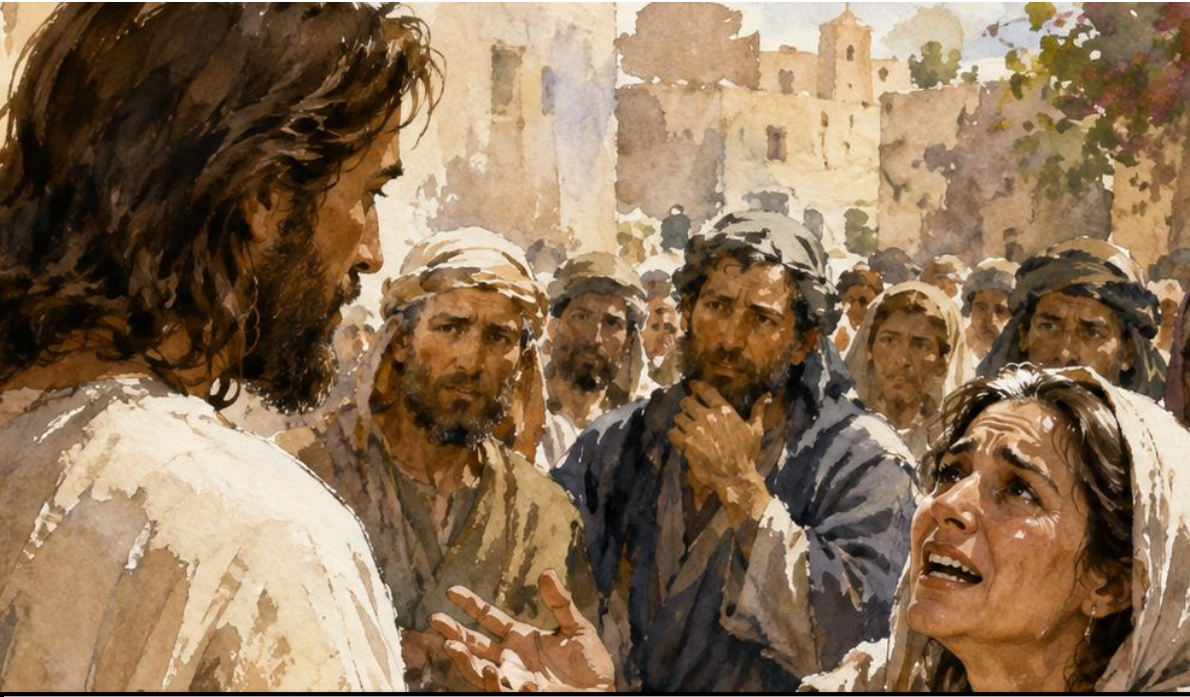
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A woman with her hair in a bun, wearing a grey hoodie and blue jeans, is kneeling on a patterned rug in a living room. She has her hands clasped in prayer and her head bowed. In the background, a television is on, a lamp is lit, and a coffee table holds two mugs and some papers. The scene is dimly lit, with the primary light source being the lamp and the TV screen.

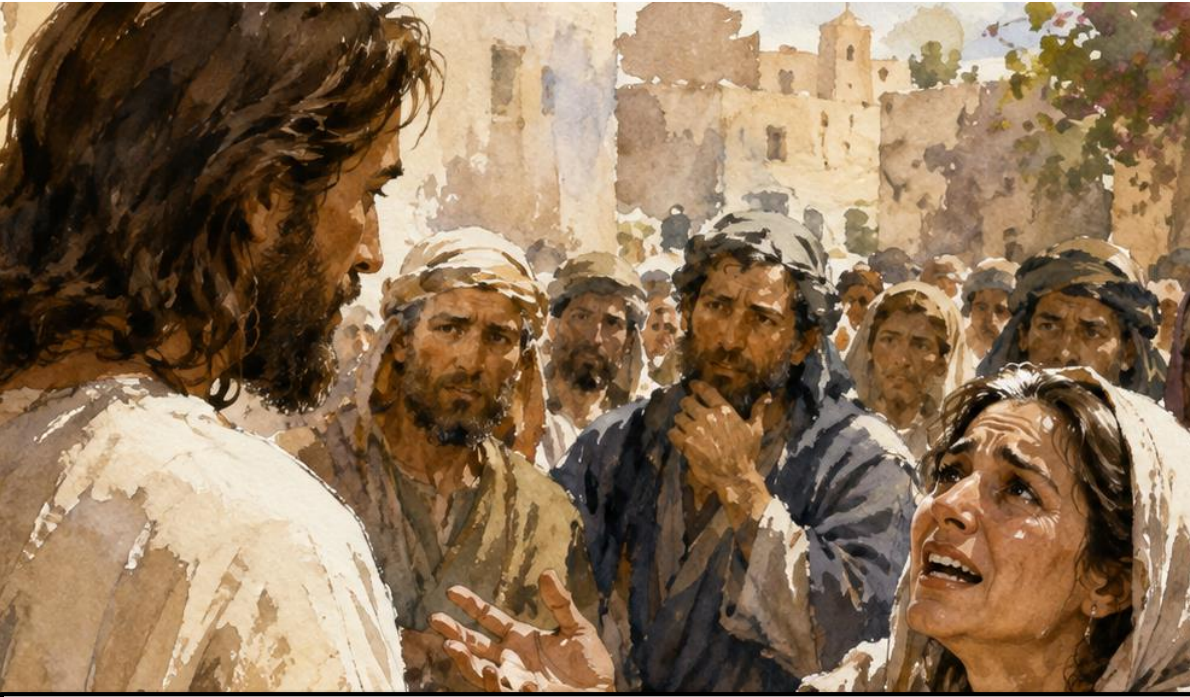
Desperation

a) Removes self-reliance

b) Acknowledges God's supremacy

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1 Kings 17-18

Widow of
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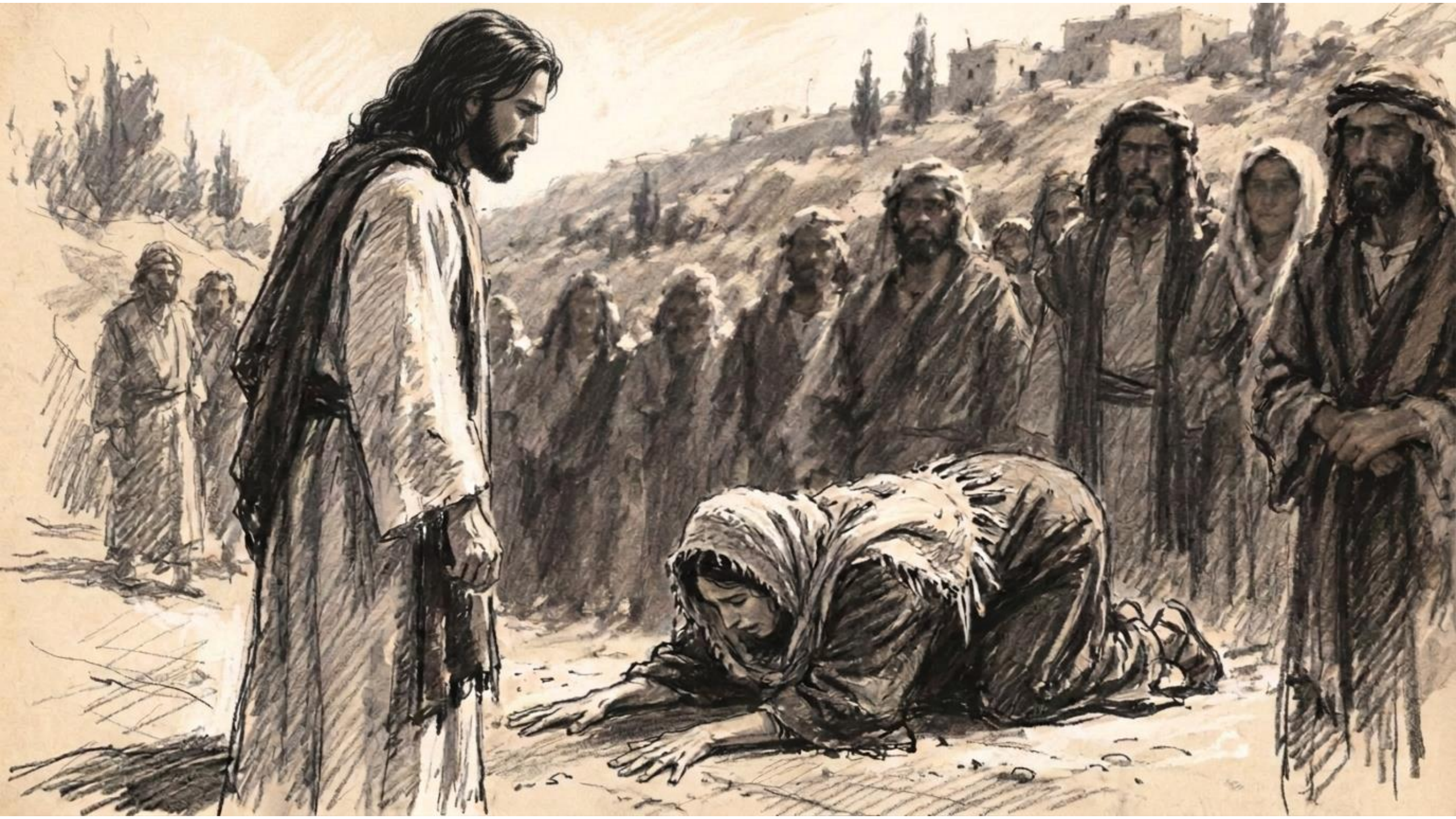










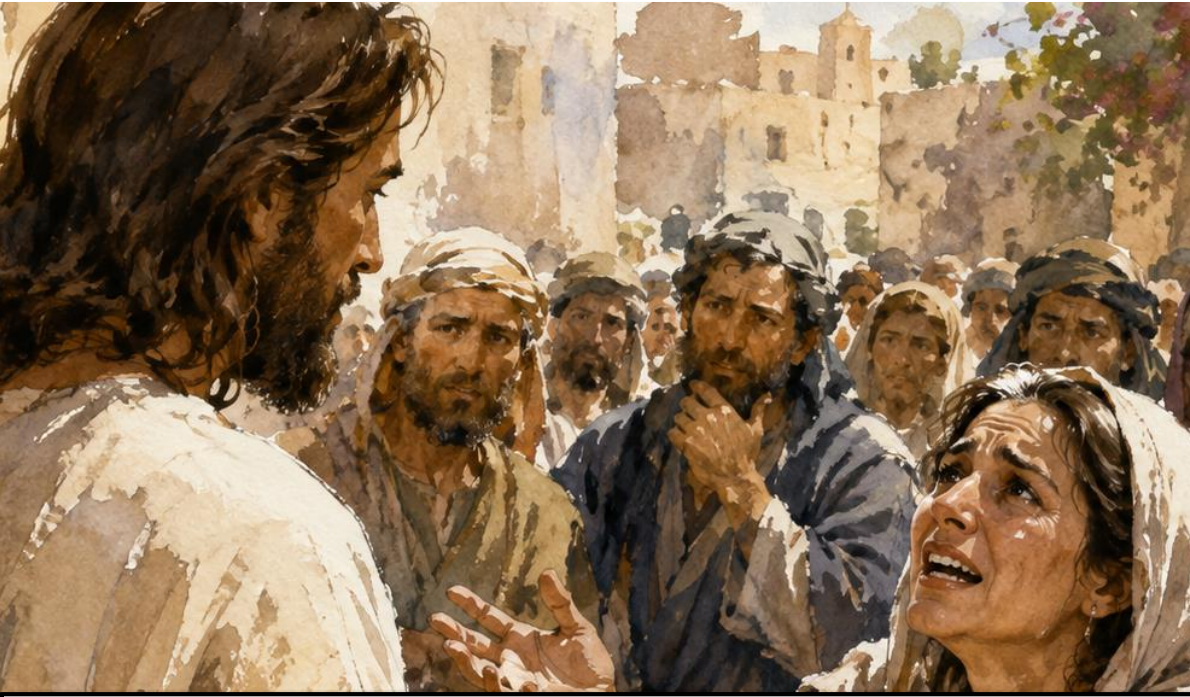








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Voice^{of the}
Martyrs

"Their God is My God"

Source(s): VOM USA | Date: 23 April 2015

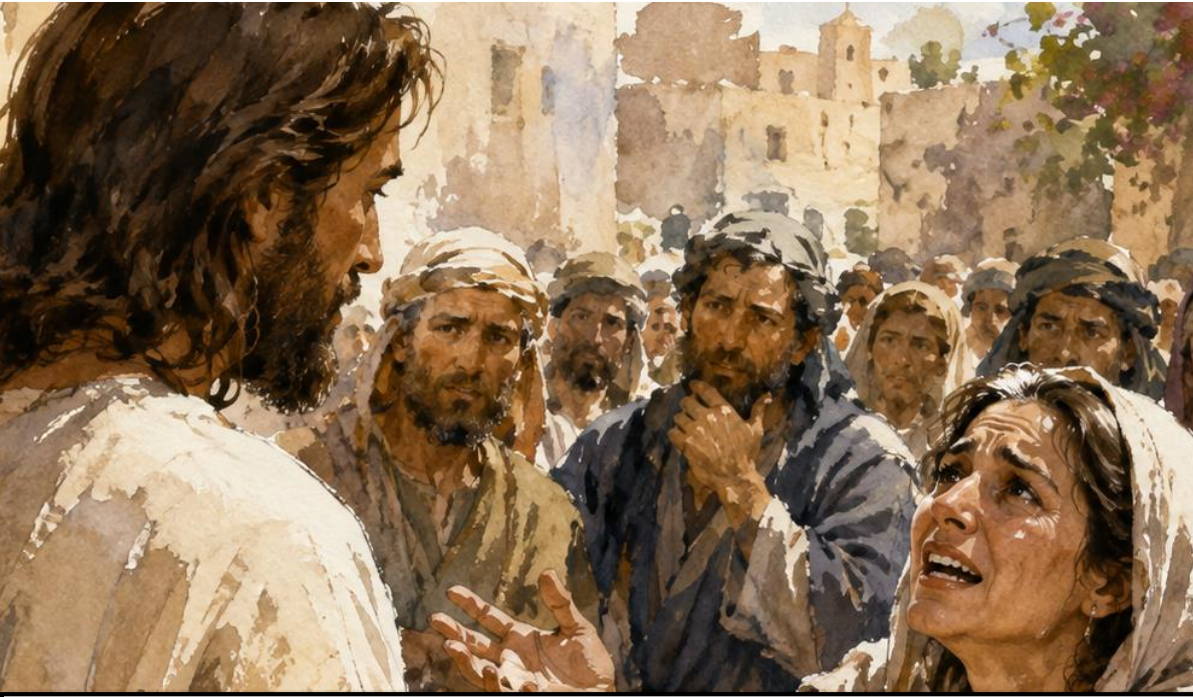
Following the brutal murder of a group of Coptic Christians by members of the Islamic State (ISIS) this past February, the names of the 21 martyred men were widely shared. Prior to the beheadings, the victims were kidnapped while residing in Sirte, Libya, where they were working in order to support their families.

Initially, it was believed that all of the men who were slain for their faith were from small impoverished villages in Egypt. However, while the name and background of one of those killed was first unknown, Mathew Ayairga was soon identified by friends who recognized him in the video footage of the killings released by ISIS. According to "Ahram-Canadian News," Mathew, who had been missing since January of 2015, was from the country of Chad.



Mathew (centre), touched by the immense faith of the Egyptian believers, acknowledged Christ just before his death.
Photo: YouTube

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