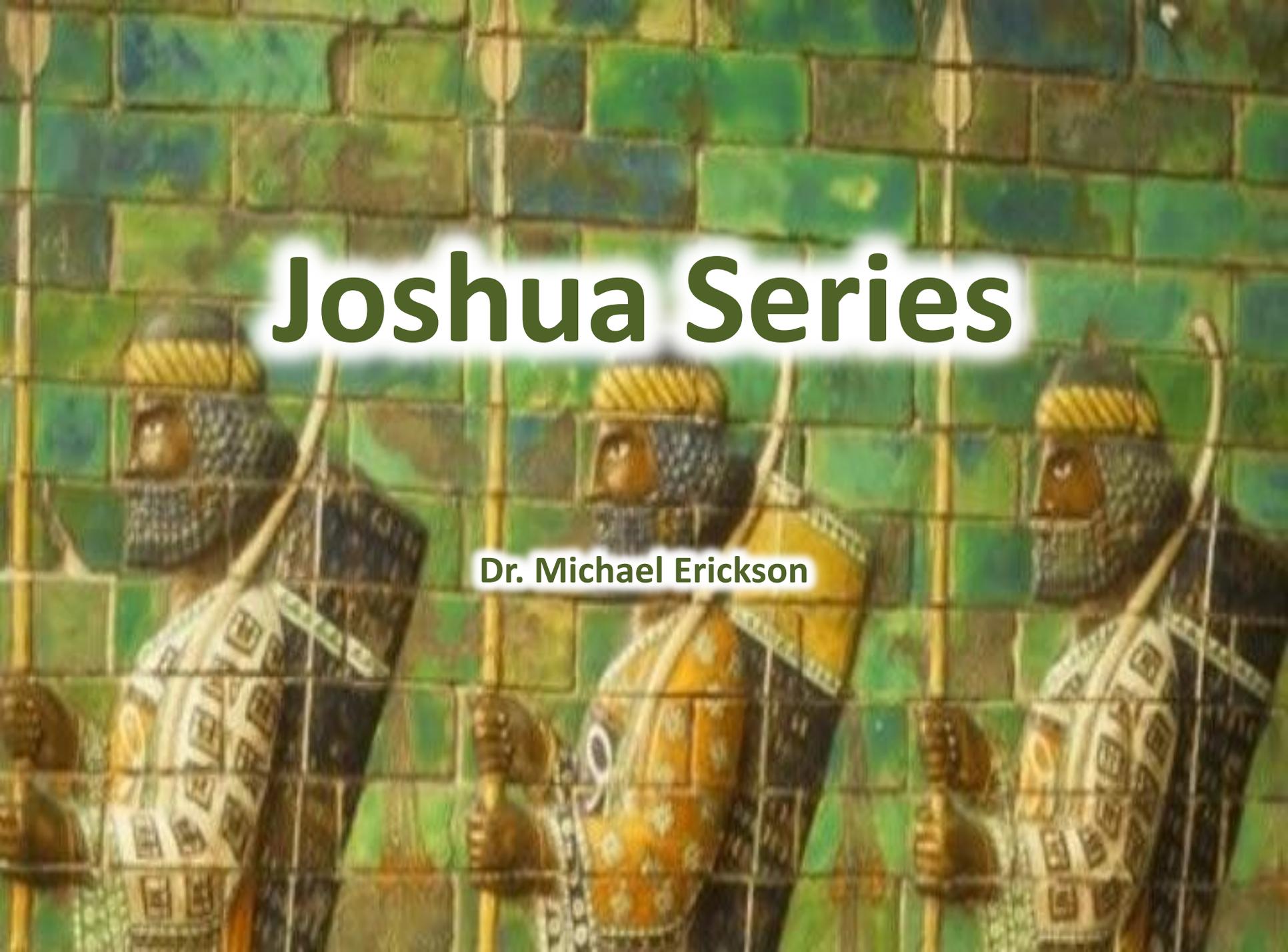


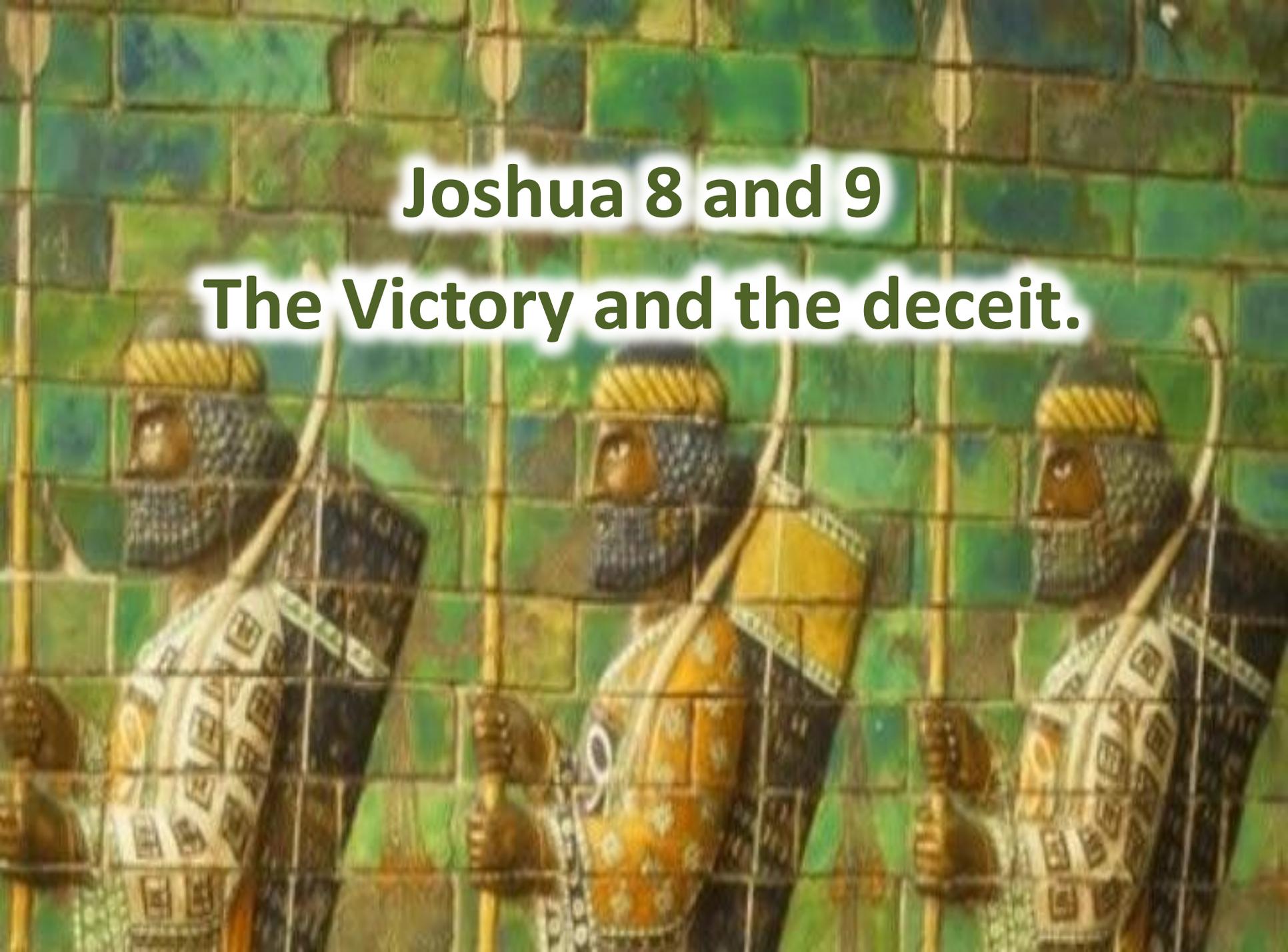
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# Joshua 8 and 9

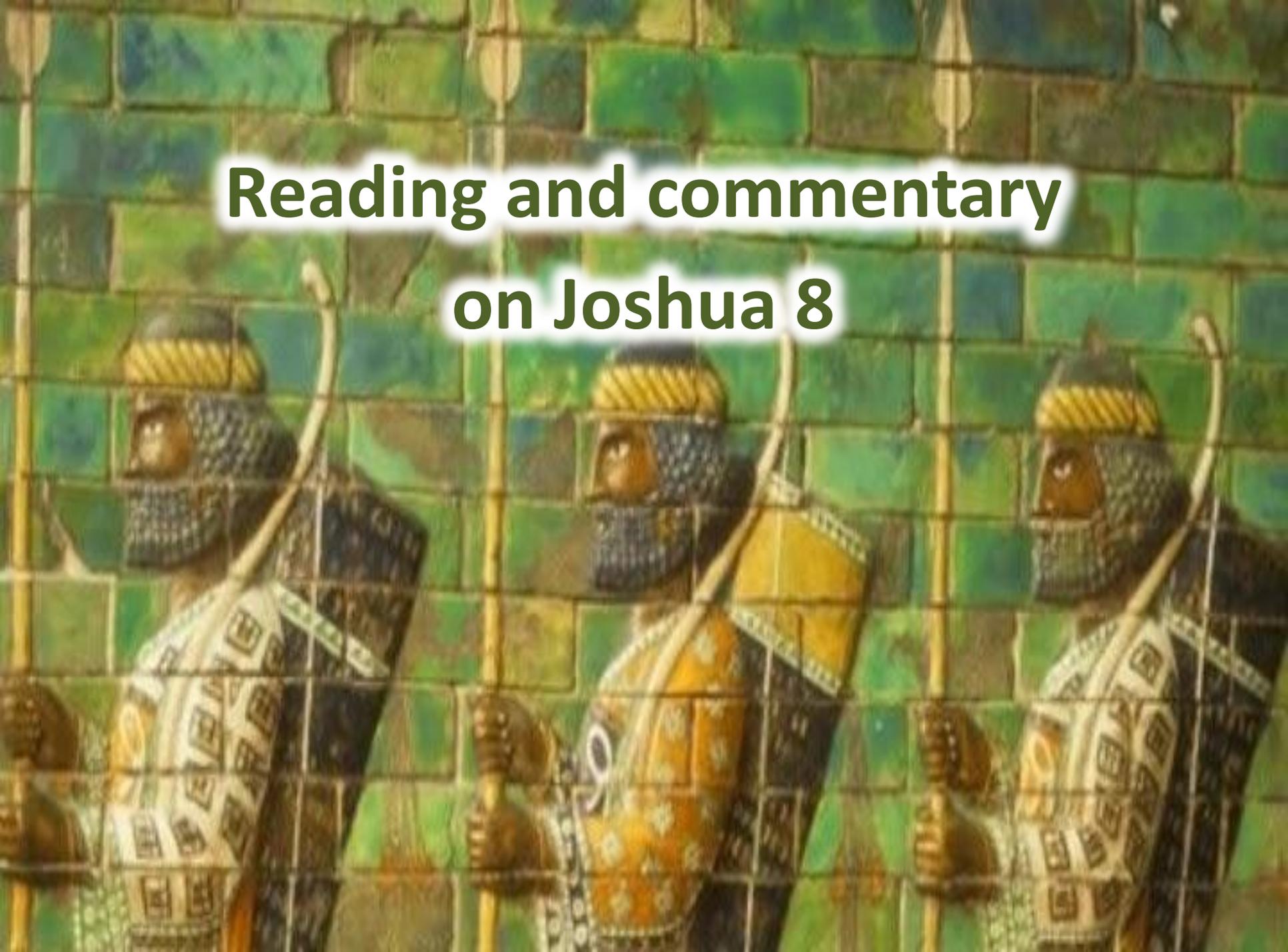
The Victory and the deceit.



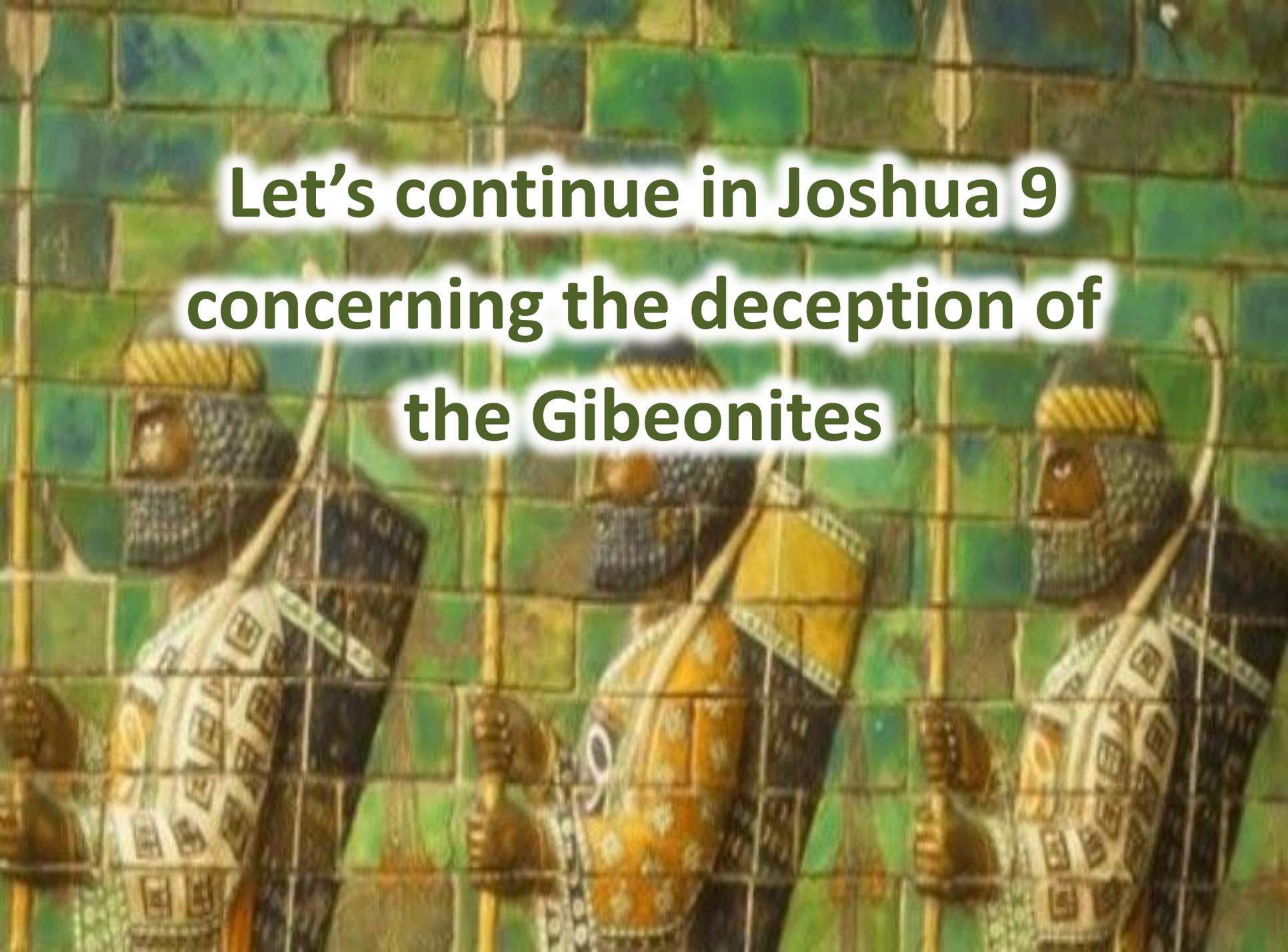
**Let's turn to Joshua 8  
and see the victory  
God gave Israel at Ai.**



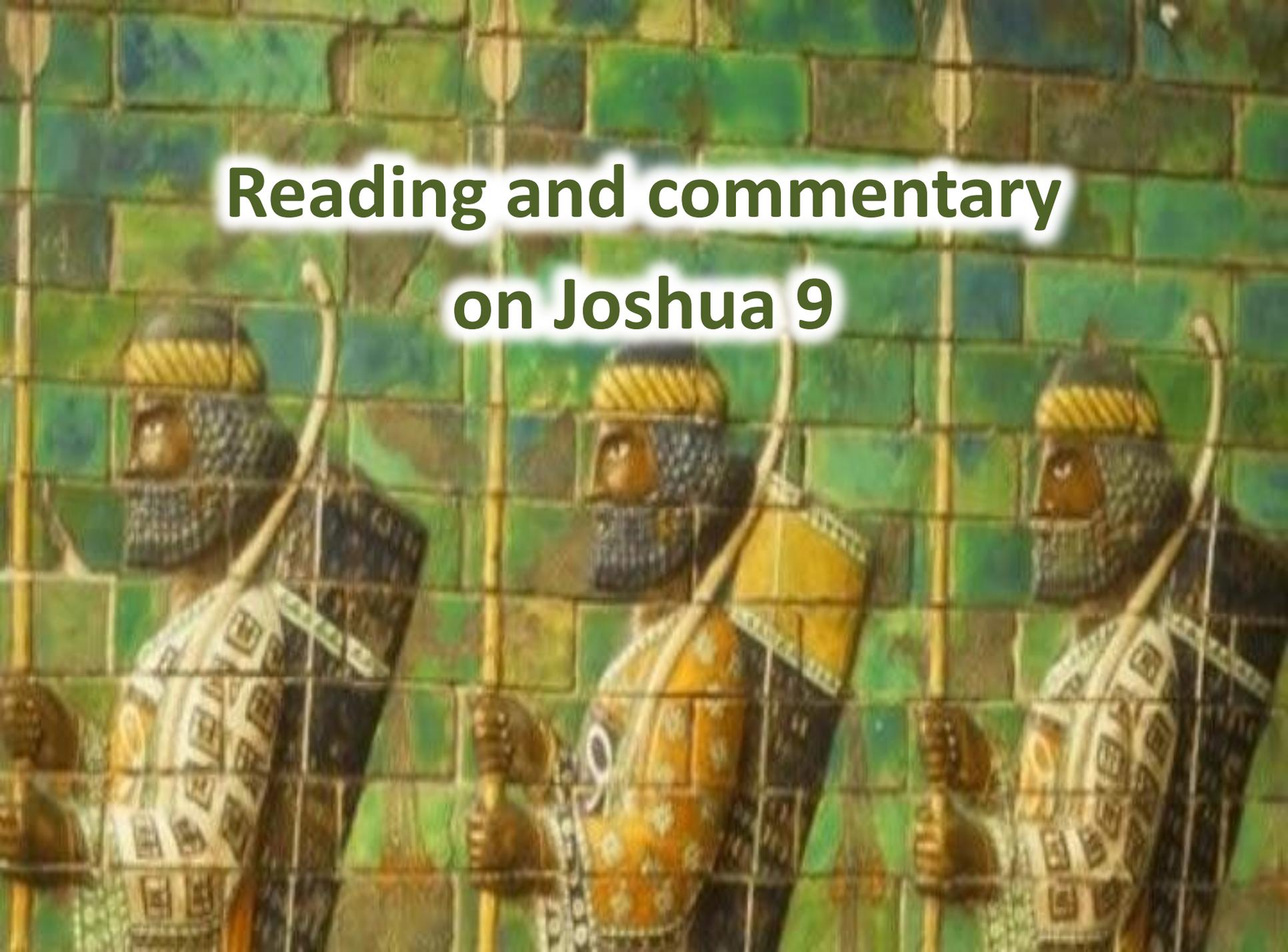
# Reading and commentary on Joshua 8



**Let's continue in Joshua 9  
concerning the deception of  
the Gibeonites**



# Reading and commentary on Joshua 9



**Let's go back and  
look at Joshua 9:3-4**





## Joshua 9:3-4

However, when the people of Gibeon heard what Joshua had done to Jericho and Ai, they resorted to a ruse.



**ערמה**

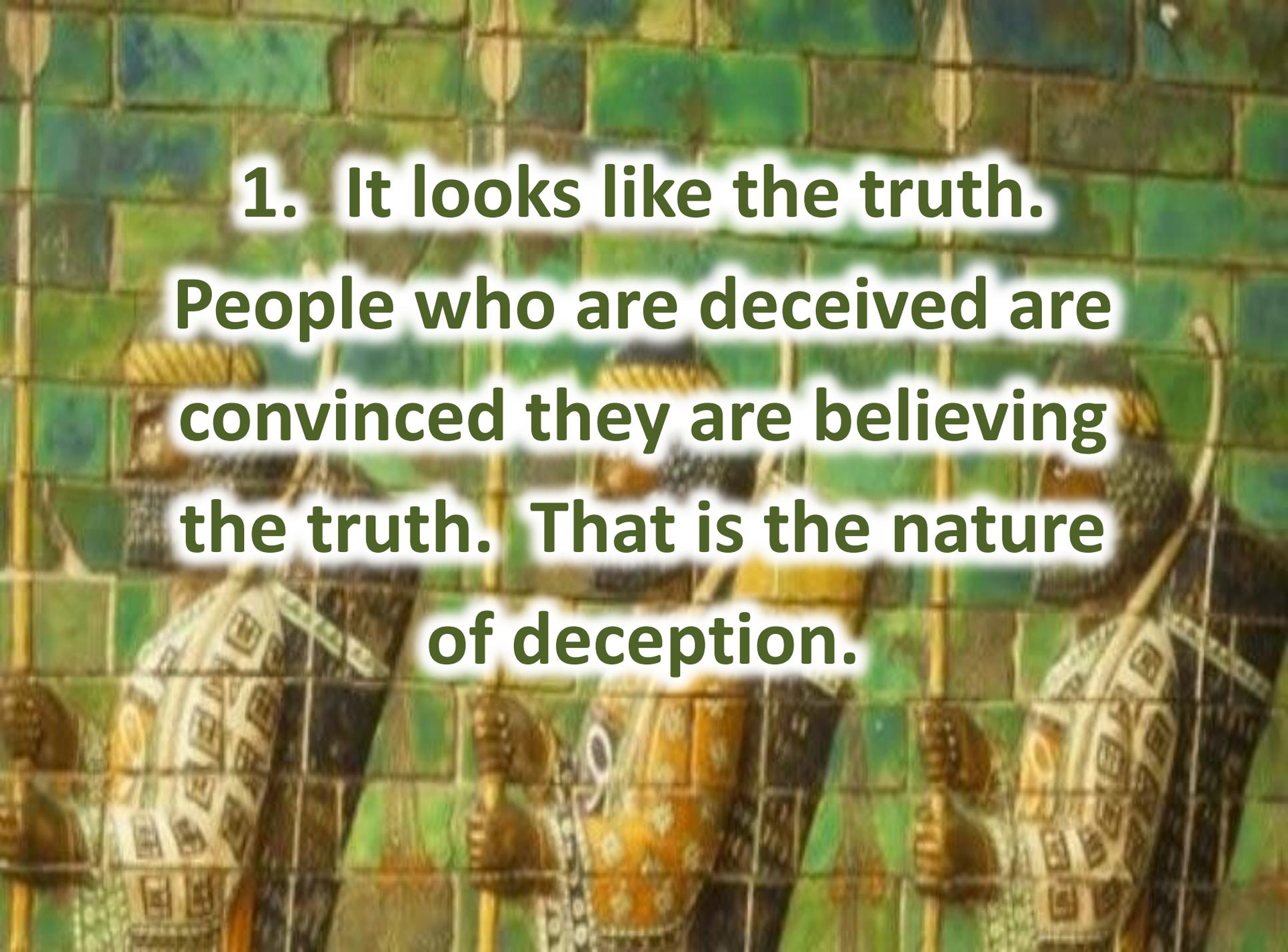
**The Hebrew word for “ruse”  
means a wise scheme, crafty  
plan to deceive.**

**The nature of deception.**

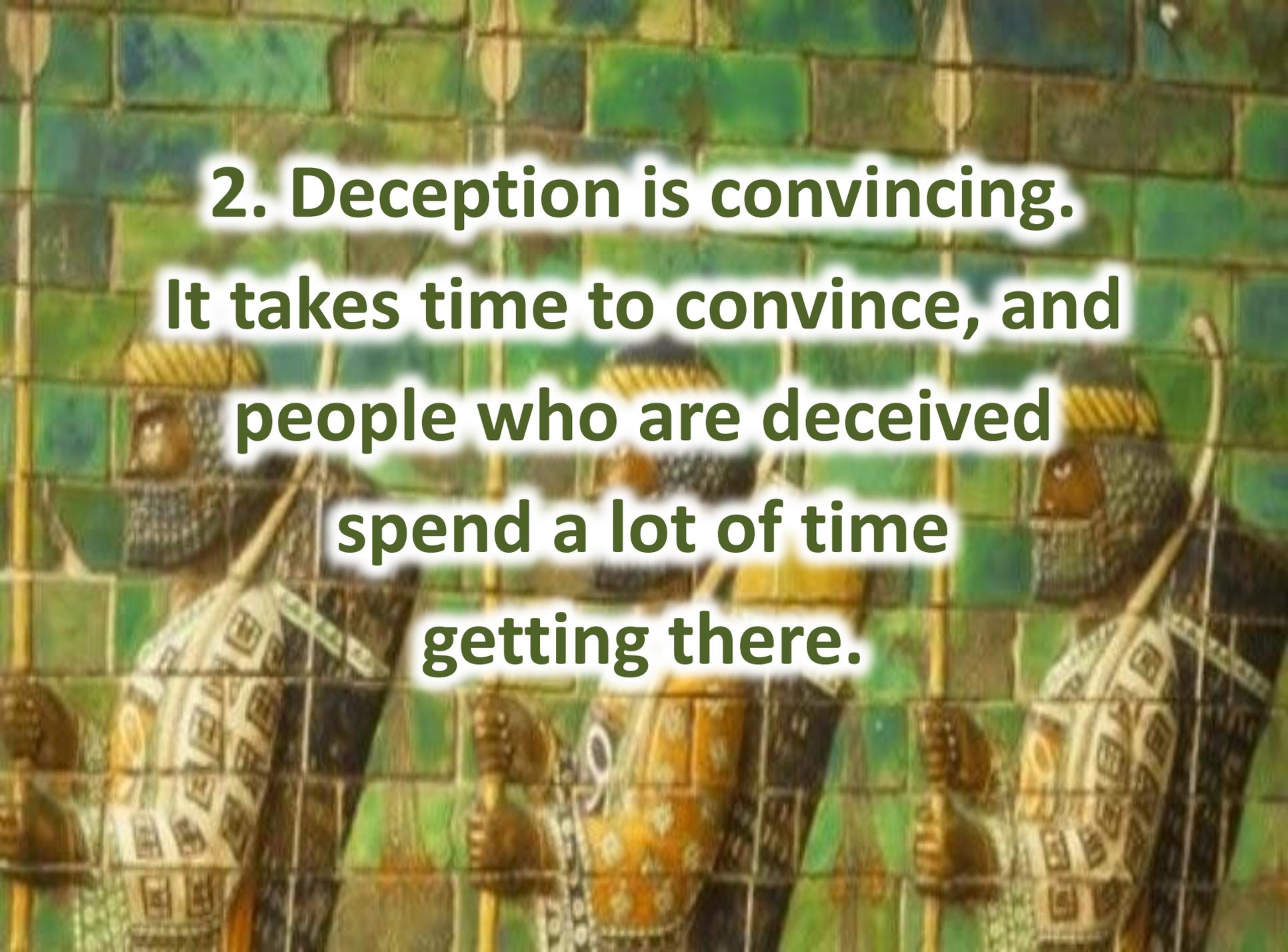
**II Corinthians 11:14**

**Satan himself masquerades  
as an angel of light.**

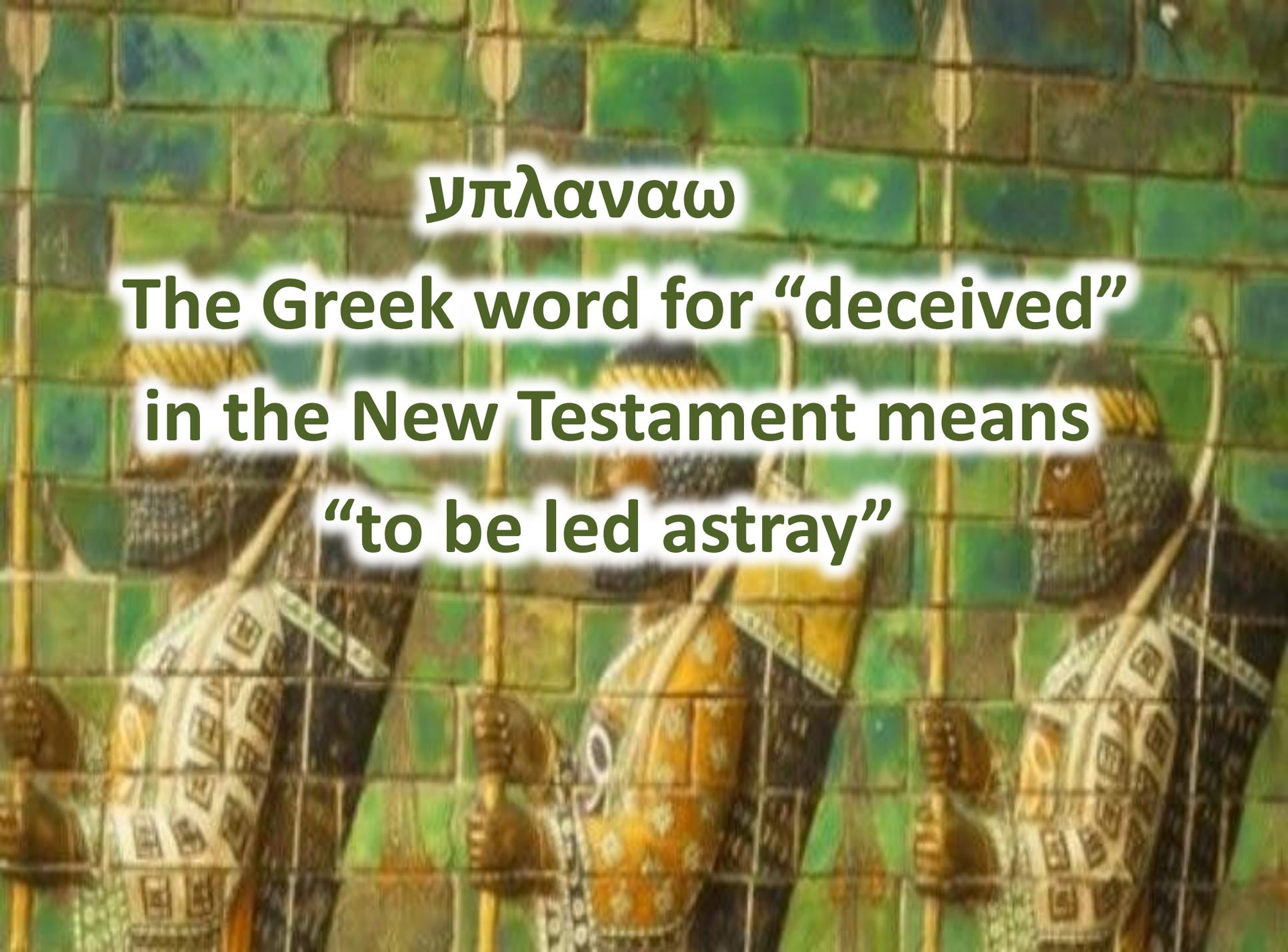


The background is a mosaic of small, irregular tiles in shades of green, blue, and brown. It depicts a scene with several figures. In the center, a figure is seated or kneeling, wearing a yellow and black patterned garment. To the left and right, other figures are visible, some wearing white and black patterned robes. The overall style is reminiscent of ancient or medieval mosaic art.

**1. It looks like the truth.  
People who are deceived are  
convinced they are believing  
the truth. That is the nature  
of deception.**

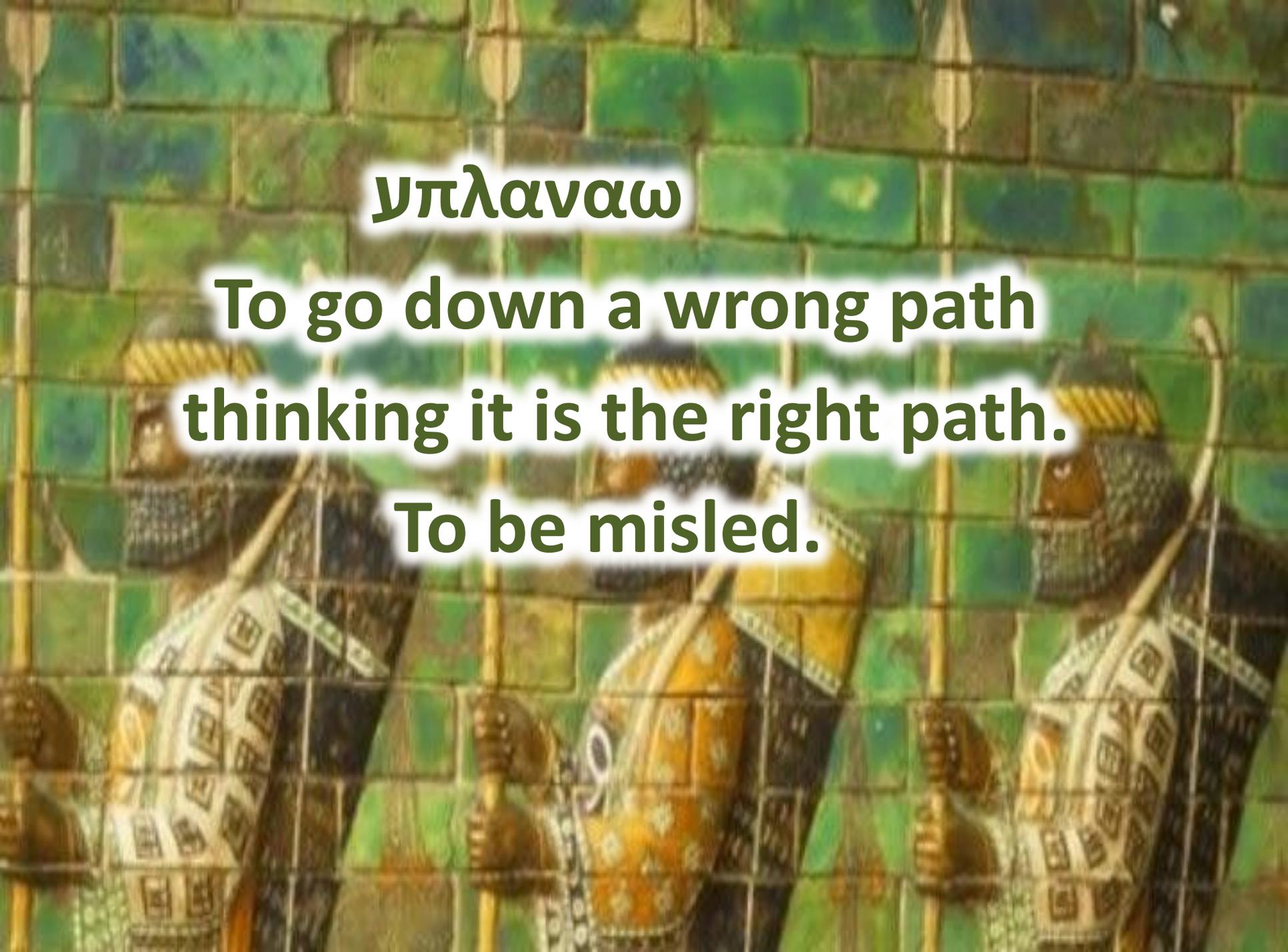
A mosaic depicting several Egyptian pharaohs in chariots, likely from the Battle of Kadesh. The pharaohs are shown in profile, wearing traditional Egyptian headdresses and holding bows. The mosaic is composed of small, colorful tiles in shades of green, blue, and brown. The text is overlaid on the central part of the image.

**2. Deception is convincing.  
It takes time to convince, and  
people who are deceived  
spend a lot of time  
getting there.**



**υπλαναω**

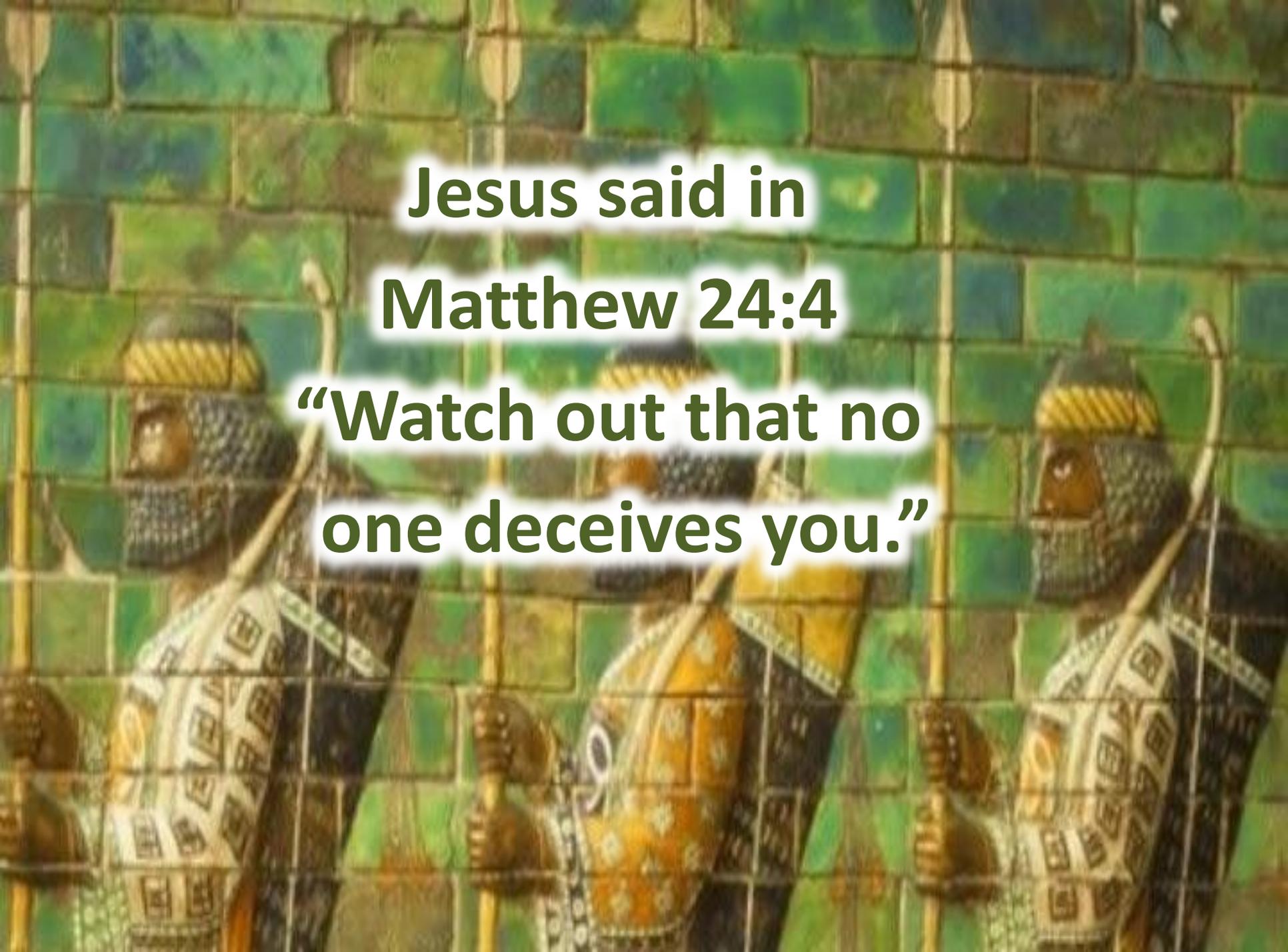
**The Greek word for “deceived”  
in the New Testament means  
“to be led astray”**

A mosaic depicting three figures, likely soldiers or warriors, standing in a row. They are wearing helmets with yellow and black stripes and carrying shields with a grid pattern. The background consists of green and blue tiles.

**υπλαναω**

**To go down a wrong path  
thinking it is the right path.**

**To be misled.**



**Jesus said in  
Matthew 24:4  
“Watch out that no  
one deceives you.”**

A mosaic background featuring several figures in armor, likely soldiers or warriors, standing in a line. The figures are wearing helmets with yellow and black stripes and carrying shields with various patterns. The mosaic is composed of green, blue, and brown tiles.

# Deception

**I Corinthians 6:9**

**Ephesians 5:1-7**

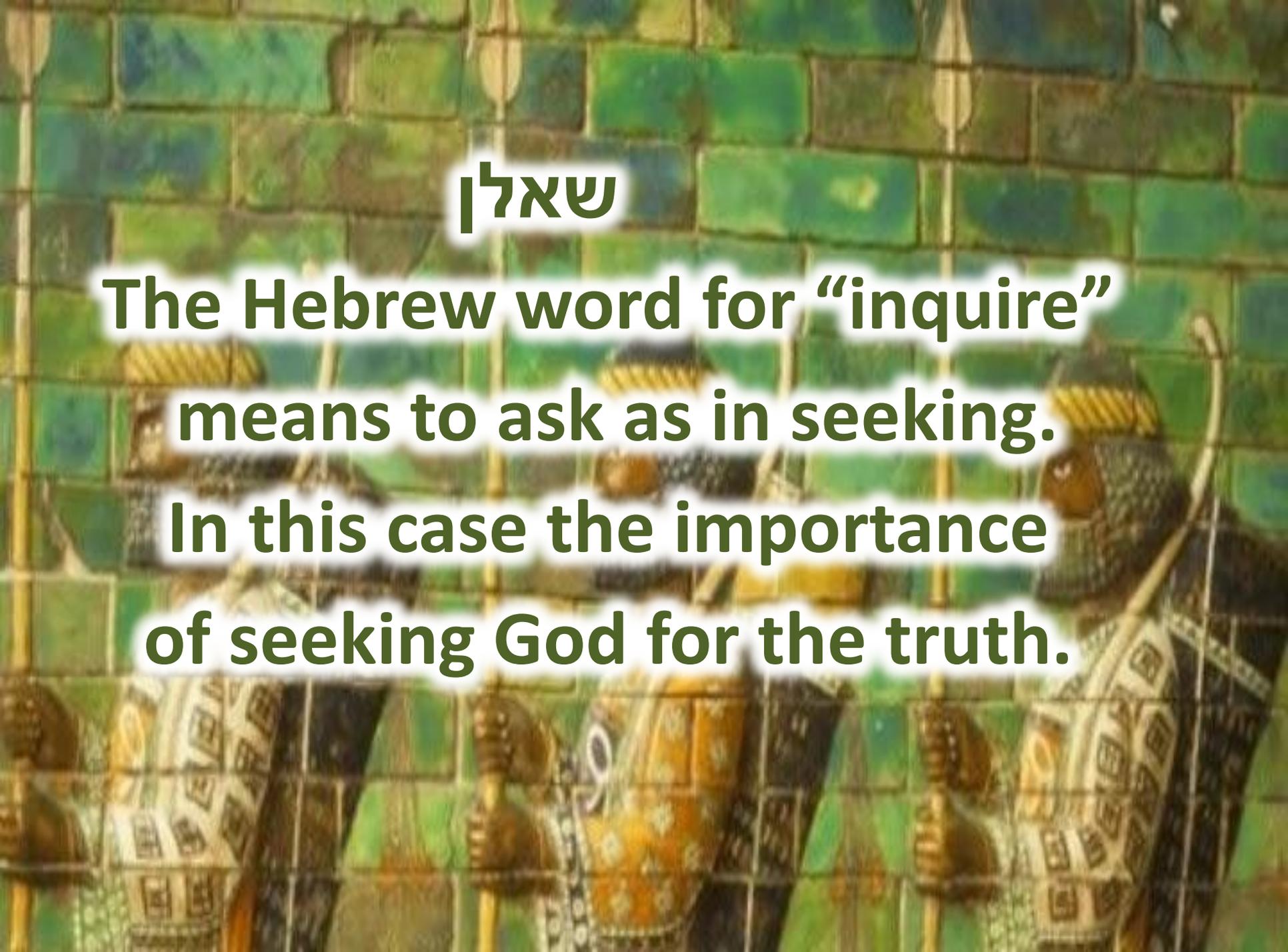
**Colossians 2:1-8**

**I Timothy 4:1**

A mosaic background featuring several figures in armor, likely soldiers, holding spears and shields. The figures are rendered in a stylized, ancient artistic manner. The mosaic is composed of various shades of green, blue, and brown tiles.

**Joshua 9:14**

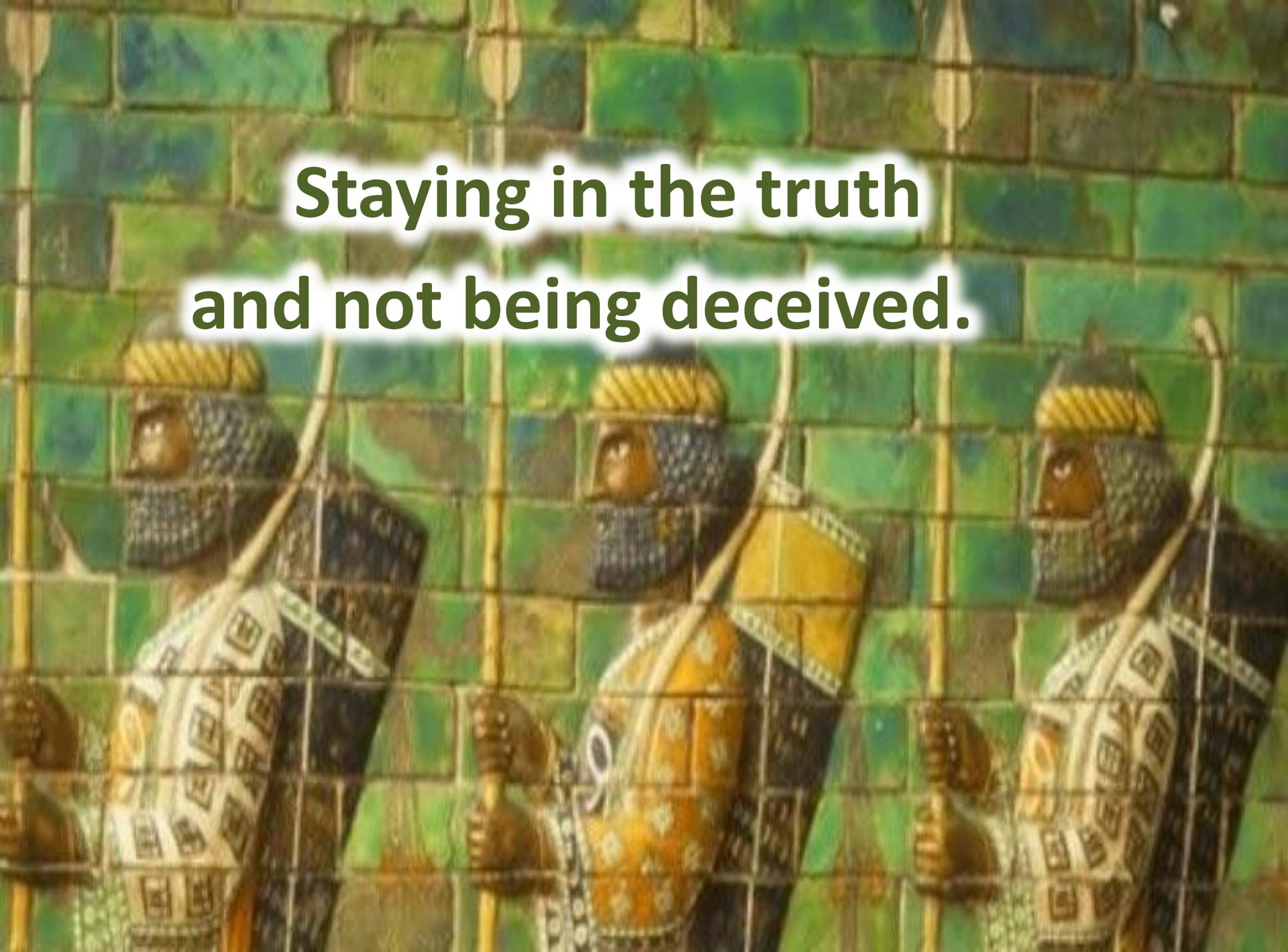
**The men of Israel sampled  
their provisions but did not  
inquire of the LORD.**



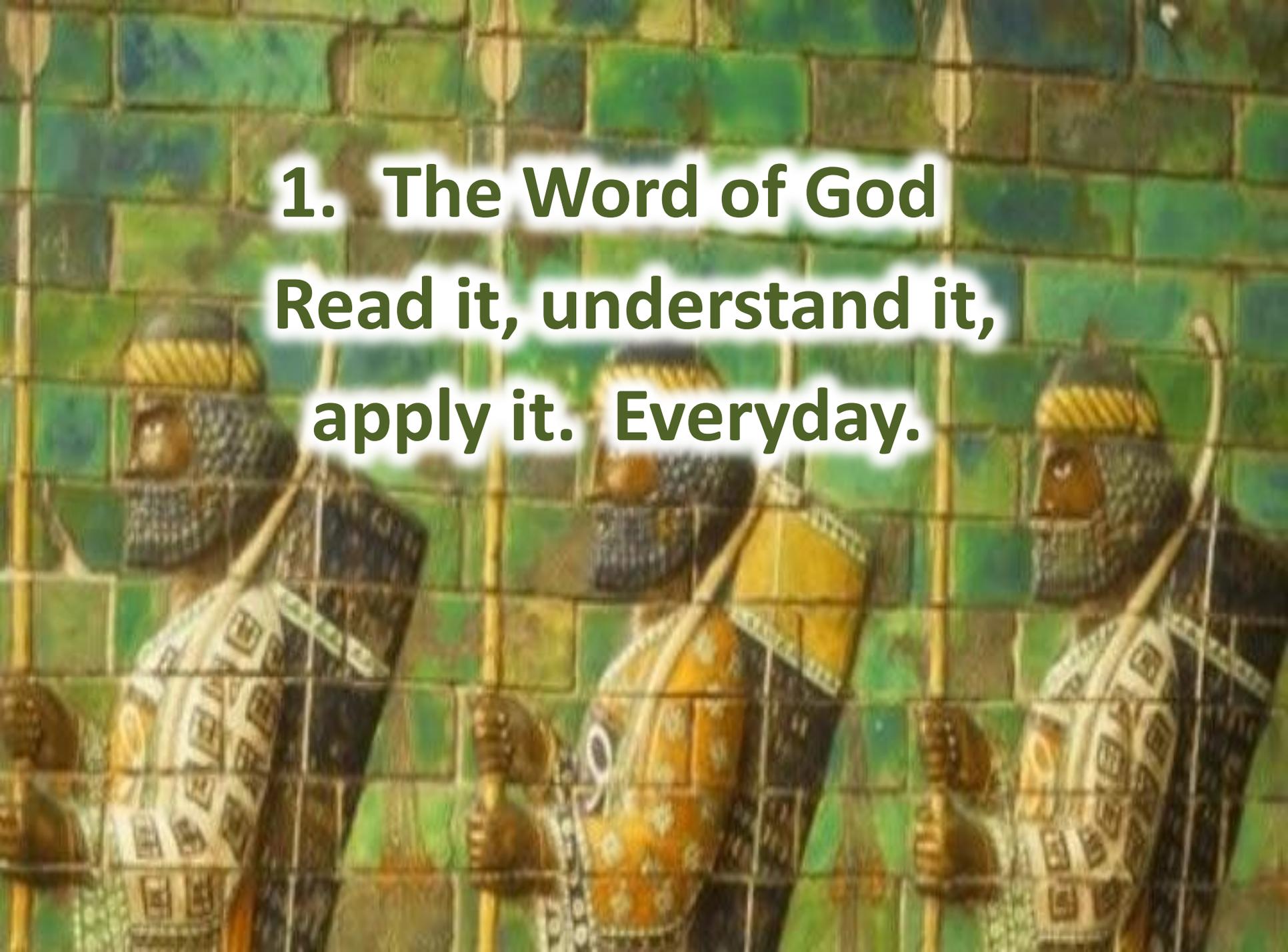
שאלן

**The Hebrew word for “inquire”  
means to ask as in seeking.  
In this case the importance  
of seeking God for the truth.**

**Staying in the truth  
and not being deceived.**



**1. The Word of God**  
**Read it, understand it,**  
**apply it. Everyday.**



**2. Walk in the truth  
of the Word everyday.**

**1 John 1:5-9**



A mosaic background featuring three figures in armor, likely Roman soldiers or knights, standing in a row. They are wearing helmets with yellow and black stripes and carrying shields with a grid pattern. The mosaic is composed of green and blue tiles.

**3. Be careful how you think.**

**Romans 1:28**

**I Corinthians 3:18**

**I Corinthians 10:12**

**Colossians 2:8**

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