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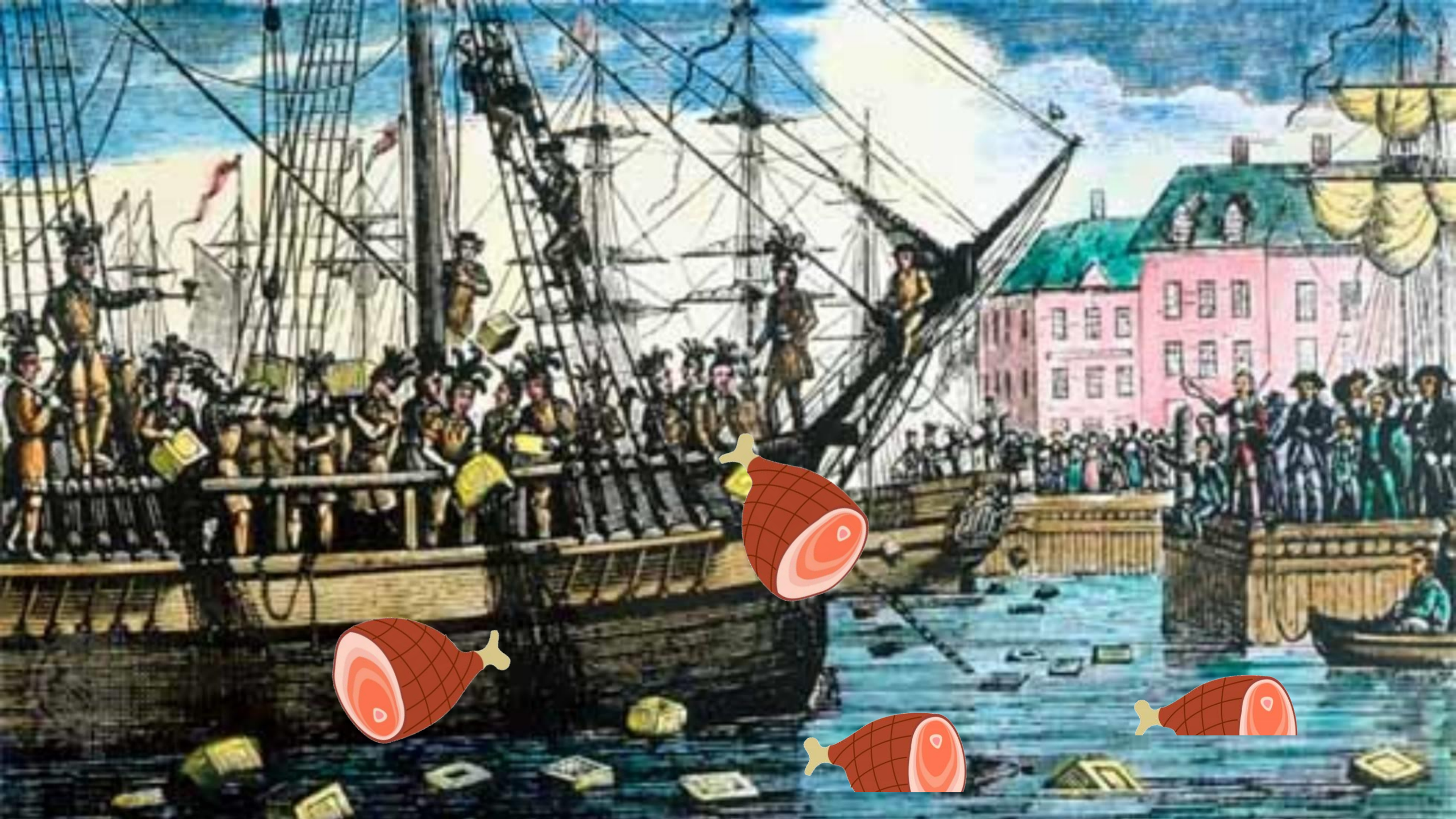
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Luke 1:57-80

December 11, 2022













“I do not ask that you place hands upon the tyrant to topple him over, but simply that you support him no longer; then you will behold him, like a great Colossus whose pedestal has been pulled away, fall of his own weight and break in pieces.”

(From Étienne de La Boétie's *The Politics of Obedience: The Discourse of Voluntary Servitude*, Part 1)



“He who thus domineers over you has only two eyes, only two hands, only one body, no more than is possessed by the least man among the infinite numbers dwelling in your cities; he has indeed nothing more than the power that you confer upon him to destroy you. Where has he acquired enough eyes to spy upon you, if you do not provide them yourselves? How can he have so many arms to beat you with, if he does not borrow them from you? The feet that trample down your cities, where does he get them if they are not your own? How does he have any over you except through you?”

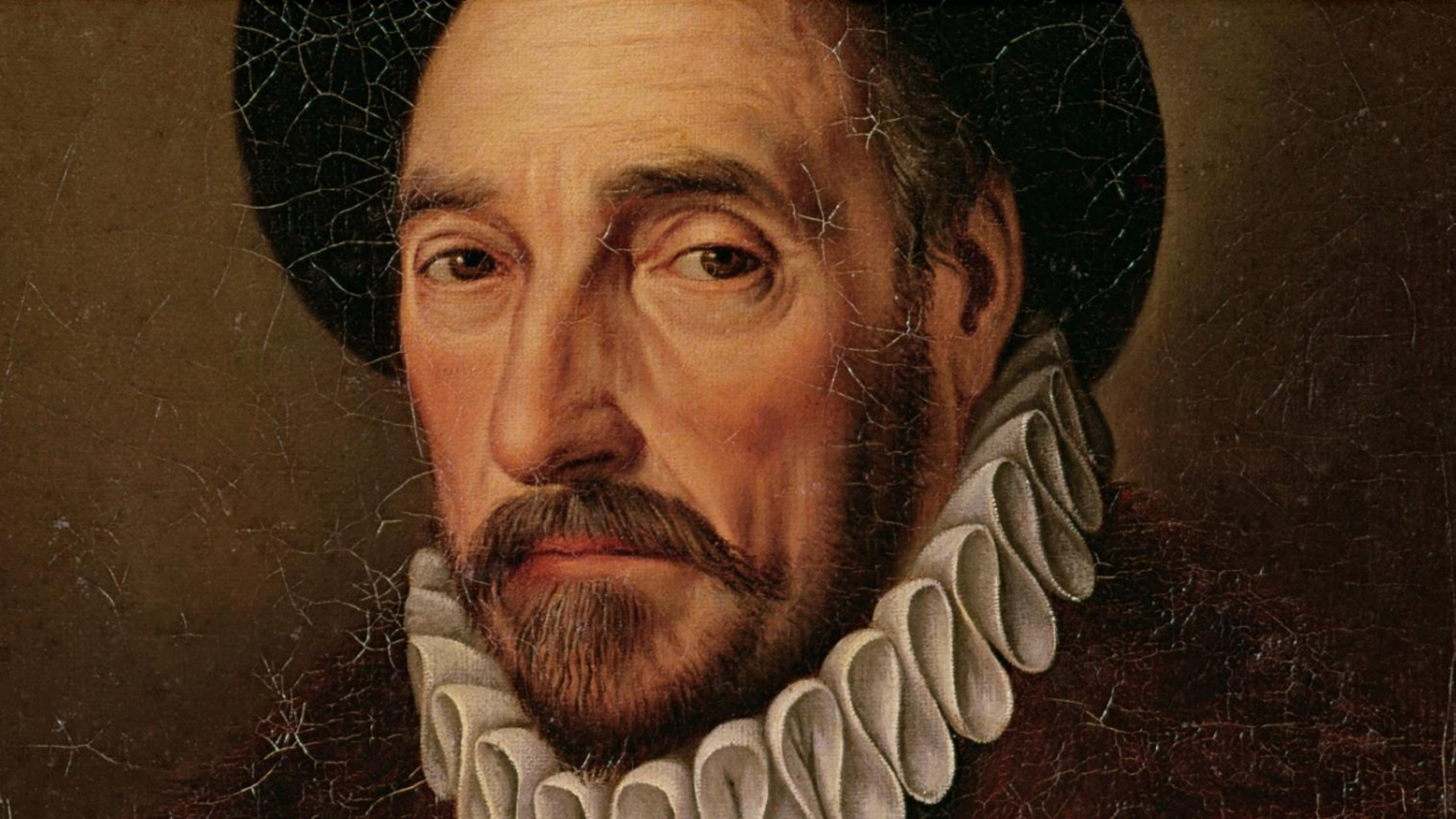
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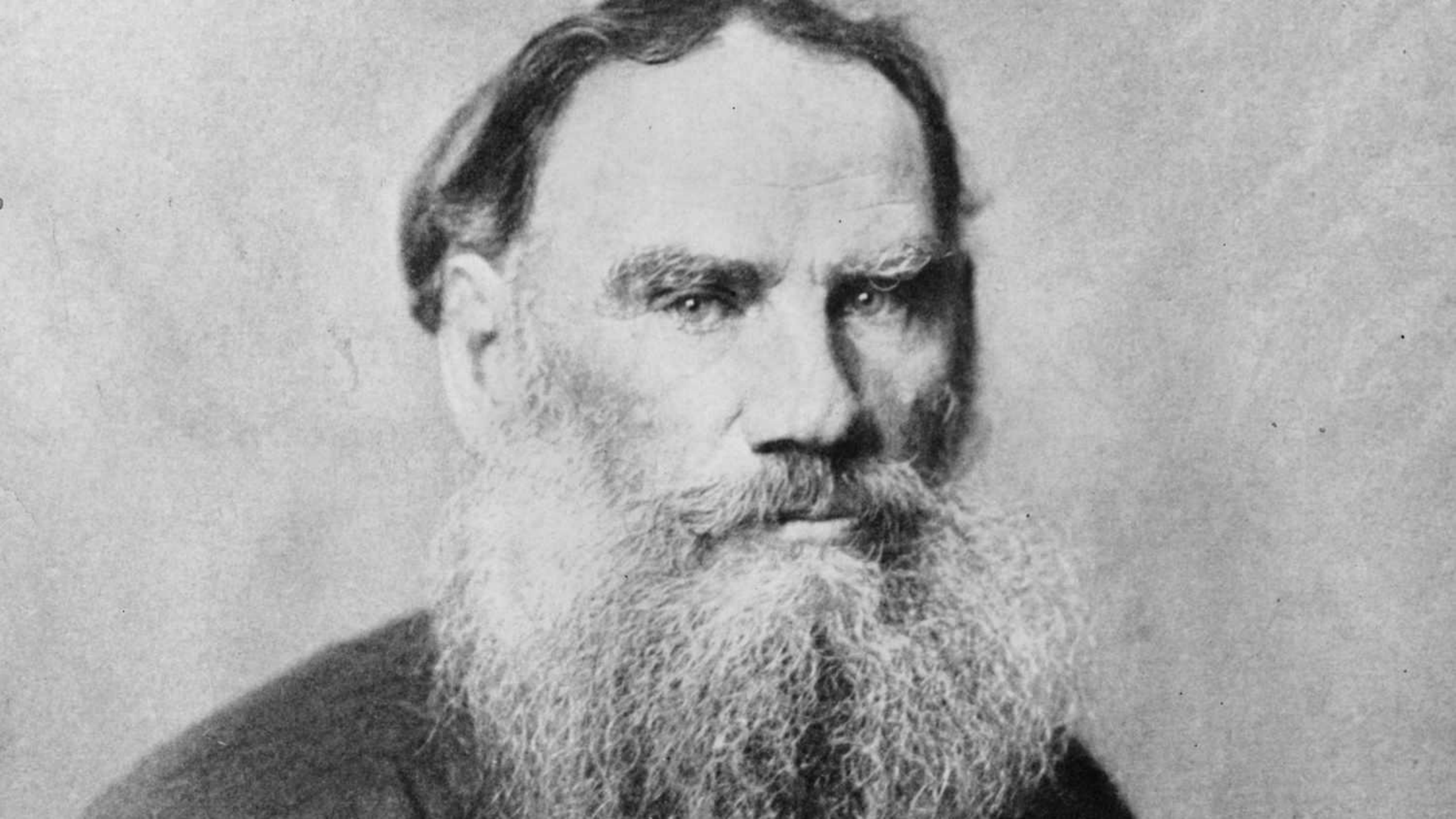


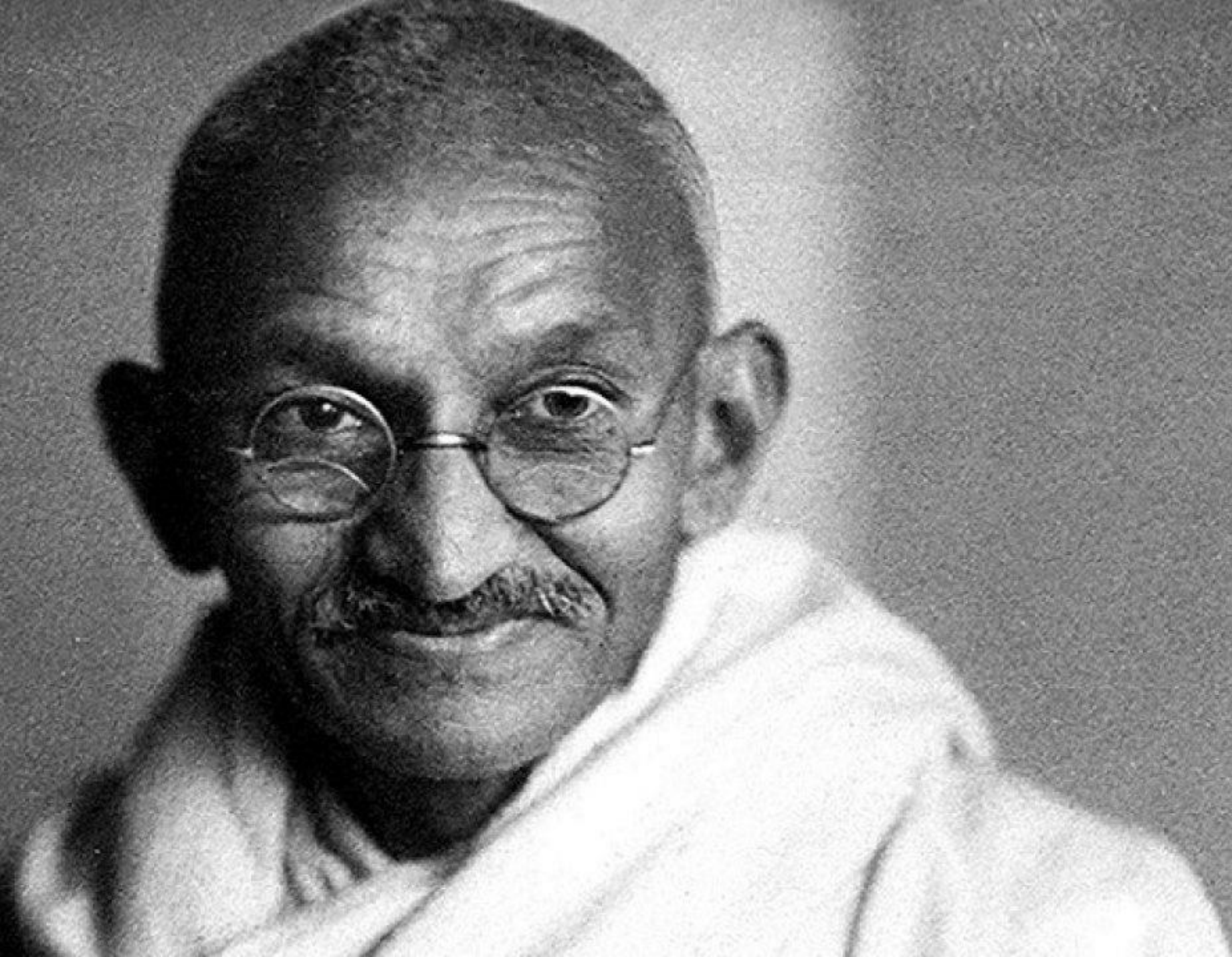
“You can deliver yourselves if you try, not by taking action, but merely by willing to be free. Resolve to serve no more, and you are at once freed.”

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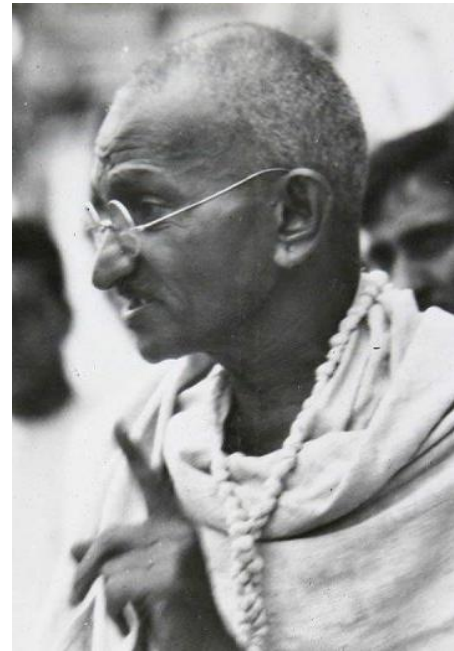






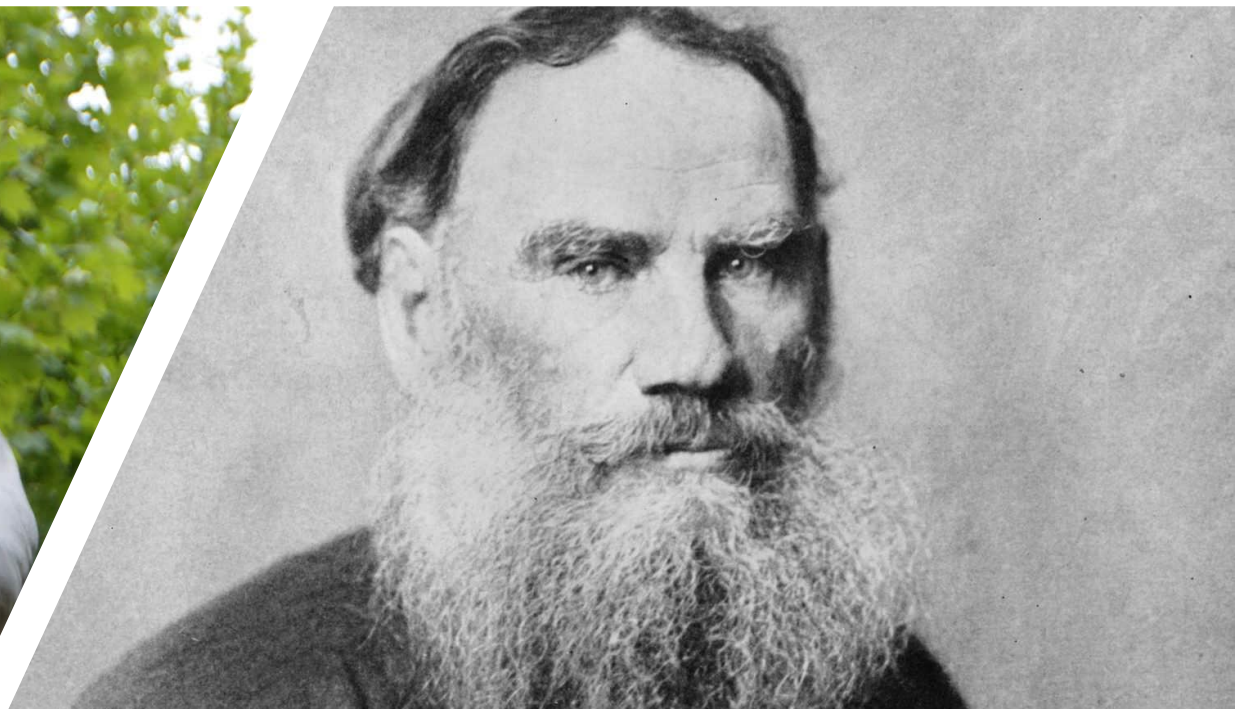
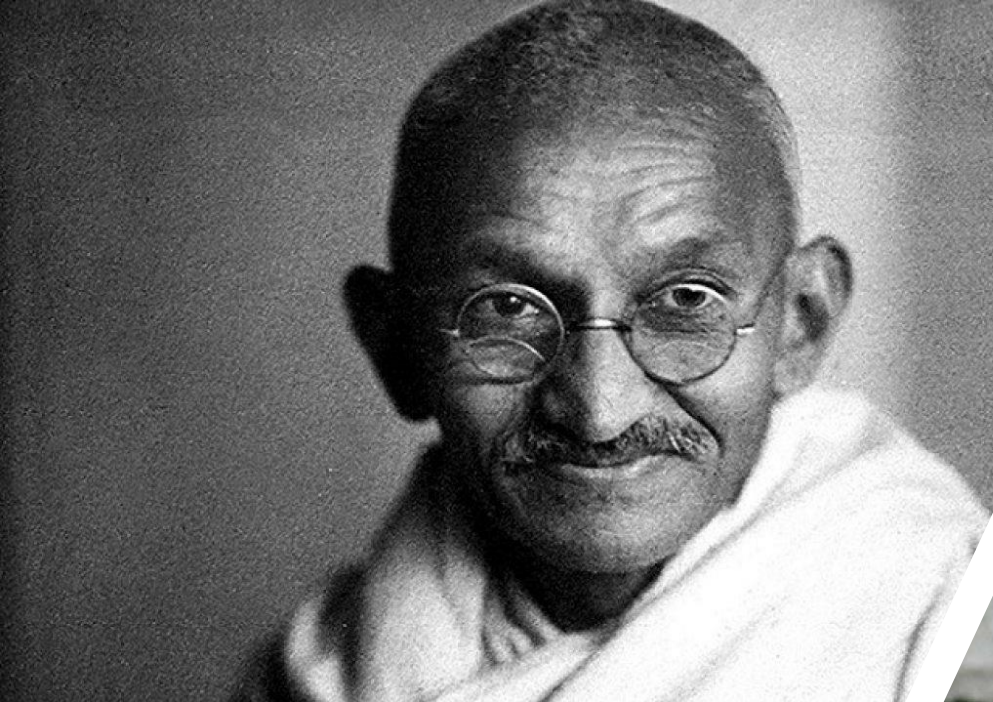
“You assist an administration most effectively by obeying its orders and decrees. An evil administration never deserves such allegiance....Disobedience of the laws of an evil State is therefore a duty. Violent disobedience deals with men who can be replaced. It leaves the evil itself untouched and often accentuates it. Non-violent...civil disobedience is the only and the most successful remedy and is obligatory upon him who would dissociate himself from evil.”

(From Mahatma Gandhi's article the Duty of Disloyalty,
March 27, 1930)









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Luke 1:57-66 (ESV): “Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. 58 And her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her. 59 And on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child. And they would have called him Zechariah after his father, 60 but his mother answered, ‘No; he shall be called John.’ 61 And they said to her, ‘None of your relatives is called by this name.’ 62 And they made signs to his father, inquiring what he wanted him to be called....”

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“...63 And he asked for a writing tablet and wrote, ‘His name is

John.’ And they all wondered. 64 And immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke, blessing God.

65 And fear came on all their neighbors. And all these things were talked about through all the hill country of Judea, 66 and all who heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying, ‘What then will this child be?’ For the hand of the Lord was with him.”

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Luke 21:25-26 (ESV):

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“And there will be signs in
sun and moon and stars, and
on the earth distress of nations in
perplexity because of the roaring of the sea
and the waves, 26 people fainting with fear
and with foreboding of what is coming on the
world. For the powers of the heavens will be
shaken.”

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Luke 1:67-79 (ESV): “And his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saying, 68 ‘Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people 69 and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David, 70 as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,...”

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“...71 that we should be
saved from our enemies and
from the hand of all who hate us;
72 to show the mercy promised to our
fathers and to remember his holy covenant,
73 the oath that he swore to our father Abraham,
to grant us 74 that we, being delivered from the
hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear,
75 in holiness and righteousness before him all our
days....”

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“...76 And you, child, will be **Quitters**
called the prophet of the Most High;
for you will go before the Lord to
prepare his ways, 77 to give
knowledge of salvation to his people in the
forgiveness of their sins, 78 because of the tender
mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us
from on high 79 to give light to those who sit in
darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our
feet into the way of peace.”



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John 5:24 (ESV):

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“Truly, truly, I say to you,
whoever hears my word and
believes him who sent me has
eternal life. He does not come into
judgment, but has passed from death to
life.”

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John 8:31-36 (ESV): “So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, ‘If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.’ 33 They answered him, ‘We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, “You will become free”?’ 34 Jesus answered them, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. 35 The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. 36 So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.’”

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Hebrews 10:32-34 (ESV):

“But recall the former days when, after you were enlightened, you endured a hard struggle with sufferings, 33 sometimes being publicly exposed to reproach and affliction, and sometimes being partners with those so treated. 34 For you had compassion on those in prison, and you joyfully accepted the plundering of your property, since you knew that you yourselves had a better possession and an abiding one.”

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Luke 6:27-29 (ESV): “But I **Quitters**
say to you who hear, Love your
enemies, do good to those who
hate you, 28 bless those who curse you, **Win**
pray for those who abuse you. 29 To one who
strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also,
and from one who takes away your cloak do
not withhold your tunic either.”



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Romans 6:18-19 (ESV):

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“Having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. 19 I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.”

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Romans 8:7-9 (ESV): Quitters

“For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God’s law; indeed, it cannot. 8 Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. 9 You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you.”

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Romans 8:15-17 (ESV):

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“For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ 16 The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, then heirs – heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.”

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Luke 1:80 (ESV):

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“And the child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day of his public appearance to Israel.”

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Romans 7:21-23 (ESV): “So **Quitters**

I find it to be a law that when

I want to do right, evil lies close at

hand. 22 For I delight in the law of

God, in my inner being, 23 but I see in my members

another law waging war against the law of my mind

and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells

in my members. 24 Wretched man that I am! Who

will deliver me from this body of death? 25 Thanks

be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!”



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John 8:7-11 (ESV): “And as they continued to ask him, he stood up and said to them, ‘Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her.’ 8 And once more he bent down and wrote on the ground. 9 But when they heard it, they went away one by one, beginning with the older ones, and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. 10 Jesus stood up and said to her, ‘Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?’ 11 She said, ‘No one, Lord.’ And Jesus said, ‘Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more.’”

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The background is white with a pattern of small, light gray snowflakes. Several Christmas ornaments are hanging from the top: on the left, a red ornament with a white snowflake, a blue ornament with white swirls, and a small blue ornament with white stars; on the right, a blue ornament with white swirls, a red ornament with white stars, and a red ornament with a white snowflake.

NEW HEIGHTS

CHURCH

NEXT SUNDAY:
LUKE 2:22-38

THE CHRISTMAS SONGS