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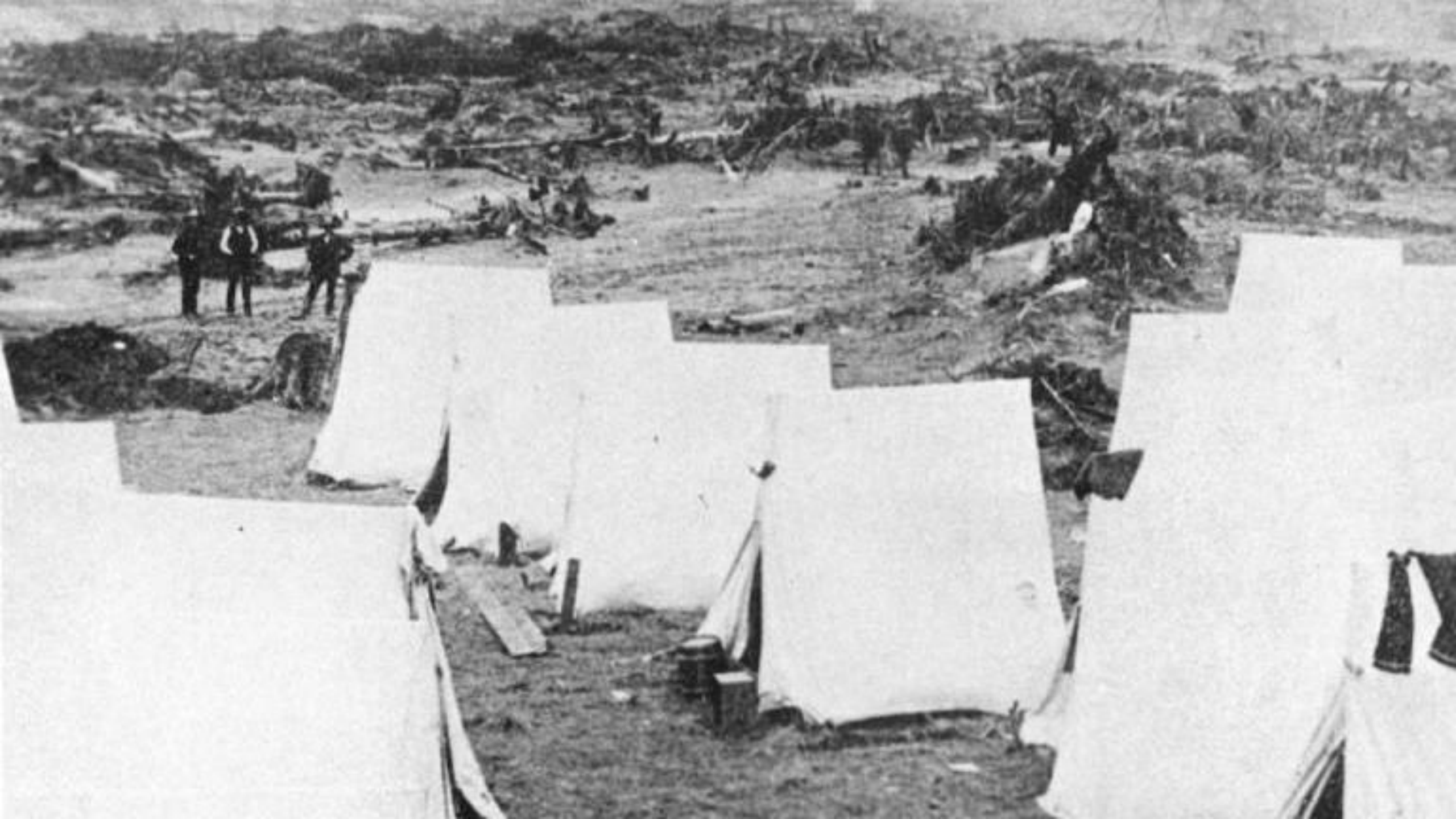


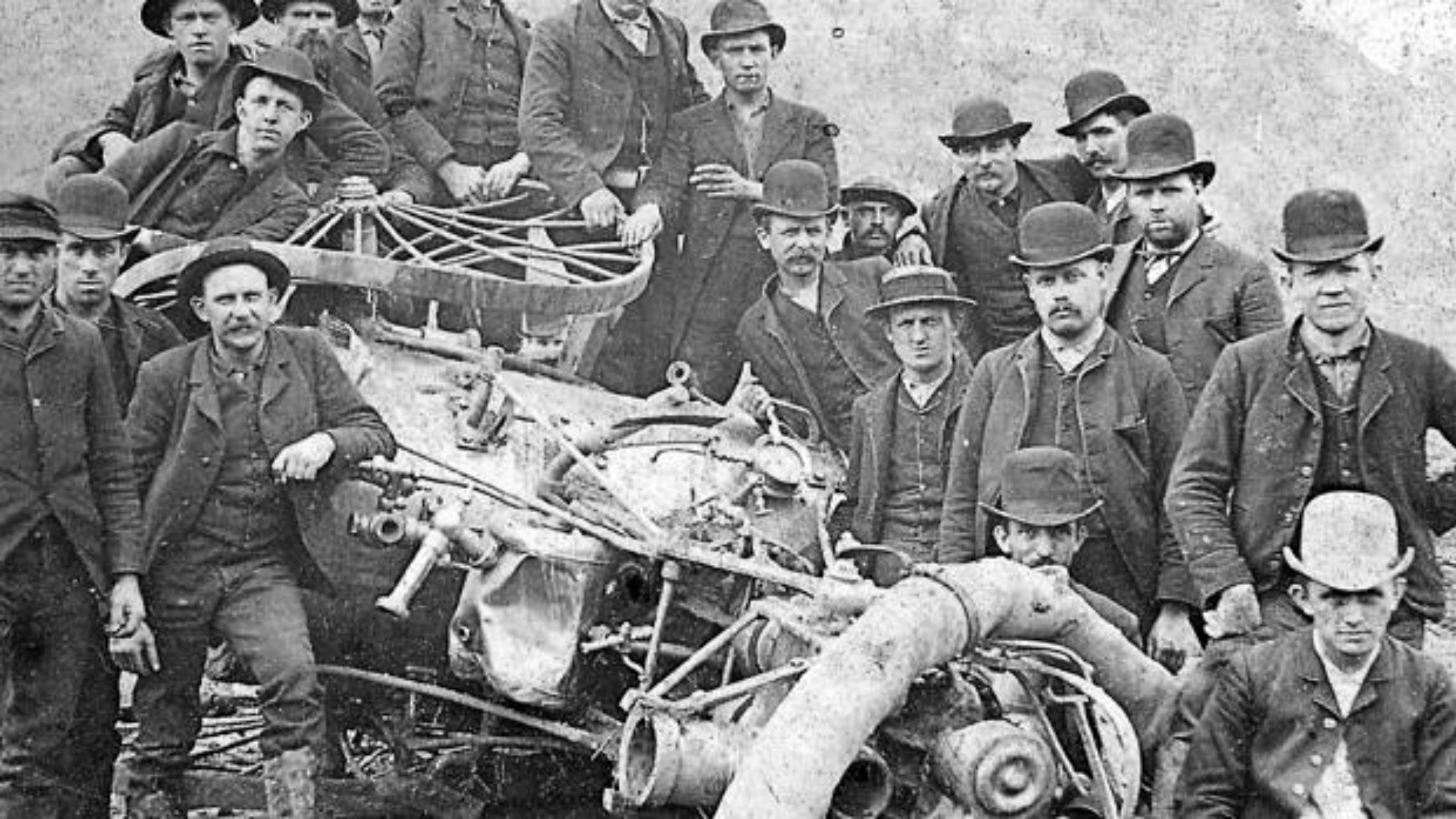












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Genesis 16:1-13 (ESV): “Now Sarai, Abram’s wife, had borne him no children. She had a female Egyptian servant whose name was Hagar. 2 And Sarai said to Abram, ‘Behold now, the Lord has prevented me from bearing children. Go in to my servant; it may be that I shall obtain children by her.’ And Abram listened to the voice of Sarai. 3 So, after Abram had lived ten years in the land of Canaan, Sarai, Abram’s wife, took Hagar the Egyptian, her servant, and gave her to Abram her husband as a wife....”

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“...4 And he went in to Hagar, and she conceived. And when she saw that she had conceived, she looked with contempt on her mistress. 5 And Sarai said to Abram, ‘May the wrong done to me be on you! I gave my servant to your embrace, and when she saw that she had conceived, she looked on me with contempt. May the Lord judge between you and me!’ 6 But Abram said to Sarai, ‘Behold, your servant is in your power; do to her as you please.’ Then Sarai dealt harshly with her, and she fled from her....”

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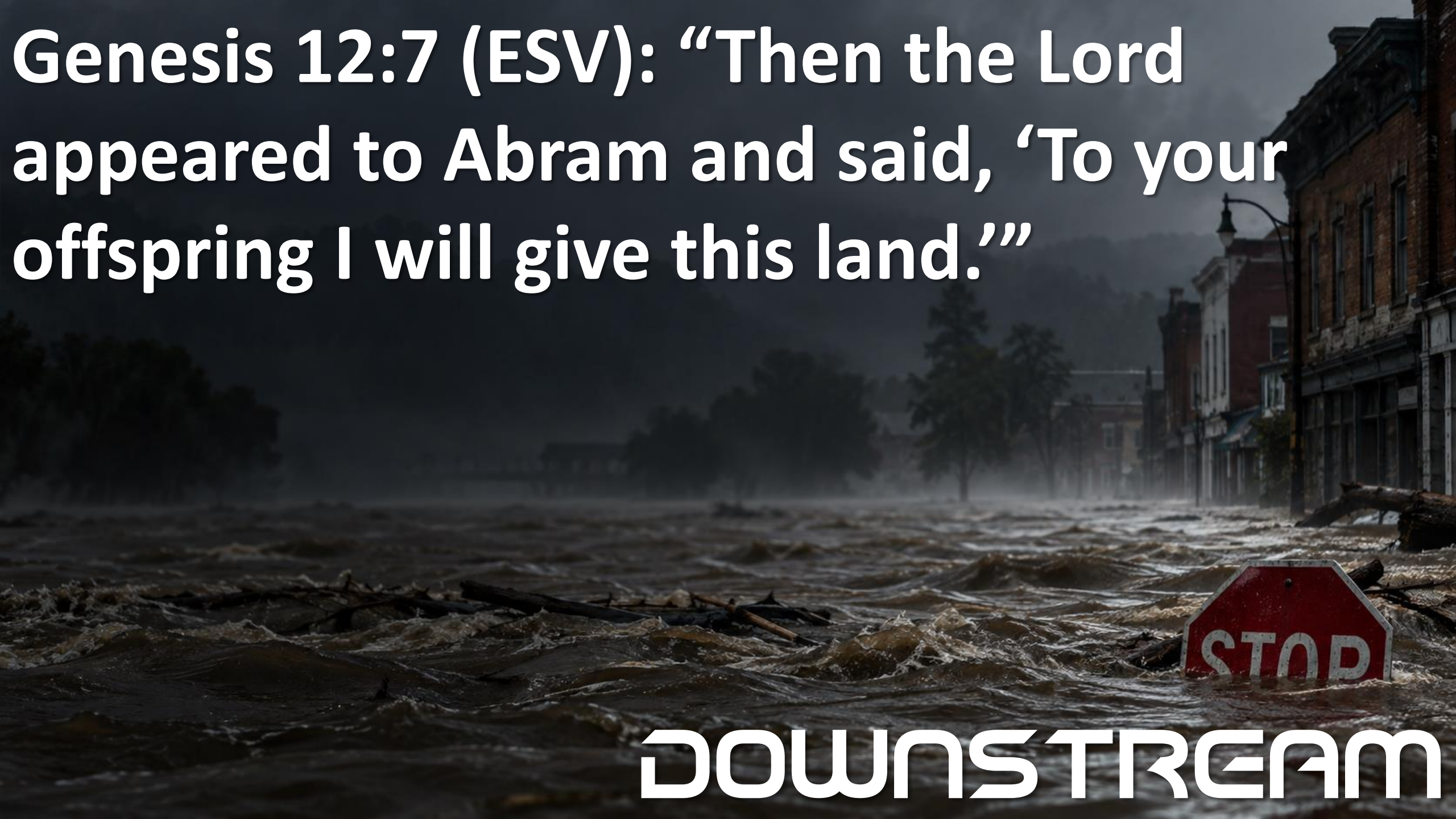
“...7 The angel of the Lord found her by a spring of water in the wilderness, the spring on the way to Shur. 8 And he said, ‘Hagar, servant of Sarai, where have you come from and where are you going?’ She said, ‘I am fleeing from my mistress Sarai.’ 9 The angel of the Lord said to her, ‘Return to your mistress and submit to her.’ 10 The angel of the Lord also said to her, ‘I will surely multiply your offspring so that they cannot be numbered for multitude.’...”

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“...11 And the angel of the Lord said to her, ‘Behold, you are pregnant and shall bear a son. You shall call his name Ishmael, because the Lord has listened to your affliction. 12 He shall be a wild donkey of a man, his hand against everyone and everyone’s hand against him, and he shall dwell over against all his kinsmen.’ 13 So she called the name of the Lord who spoke to her, ‘You are a God of seeing,’ for she said, ‘Truly here I have seen him who looks after me.’”

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Genesis 12:7 (ESV): “Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, ‘To your offspring I will give this land.’”

A dramatic, dark, and stormy scene of a flooded street. The water is turbulent and brown, with debris floating in it. In the background, there are multi-story brick buildings and trees, all shrouded in a thick mist or rain. A red octagonal stop sign is partially submerged in the water in the lower right foreground, with the word "STOP" visible in white letters. The overall atmosphere is one of chaos and destruction.

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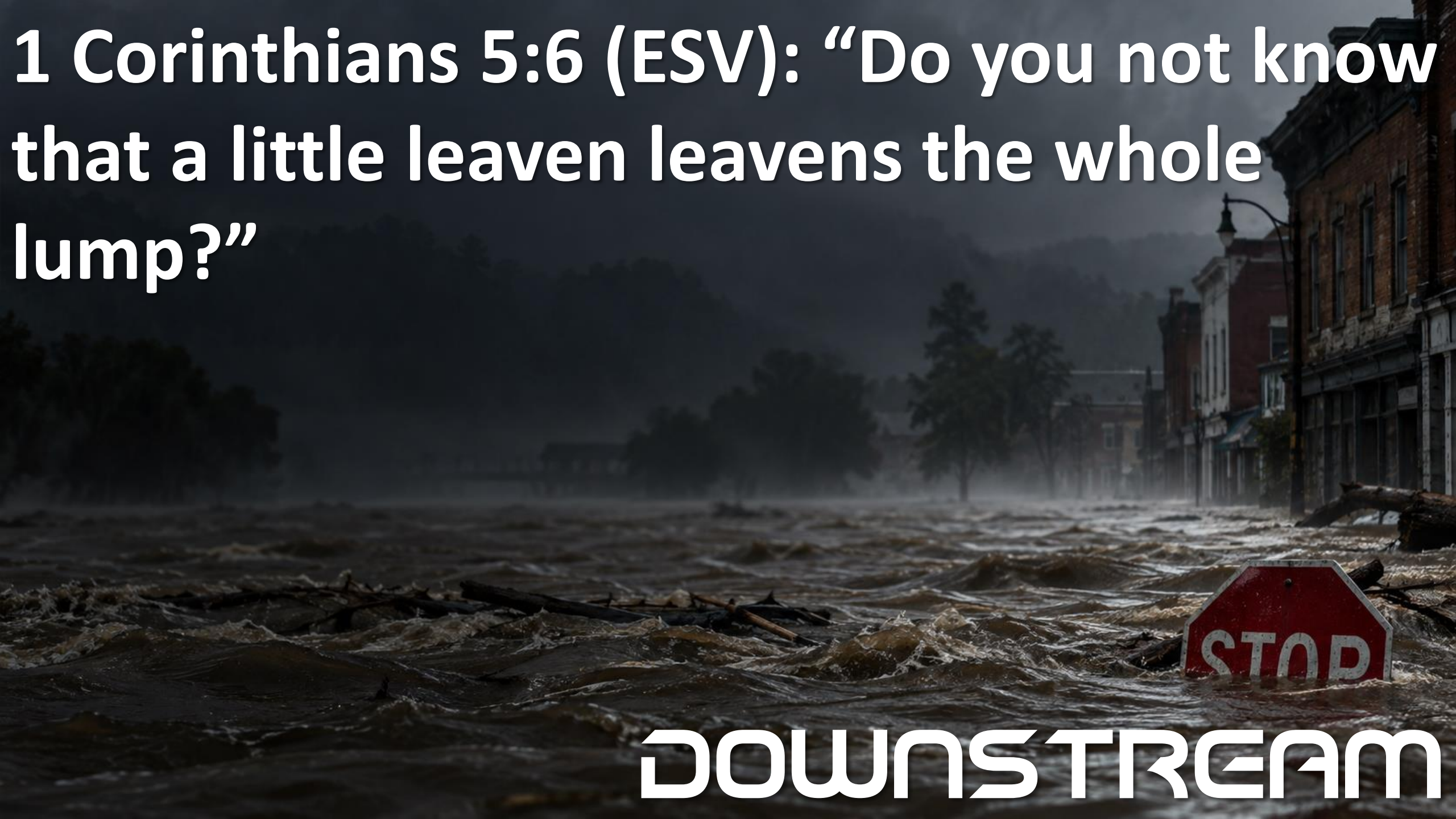
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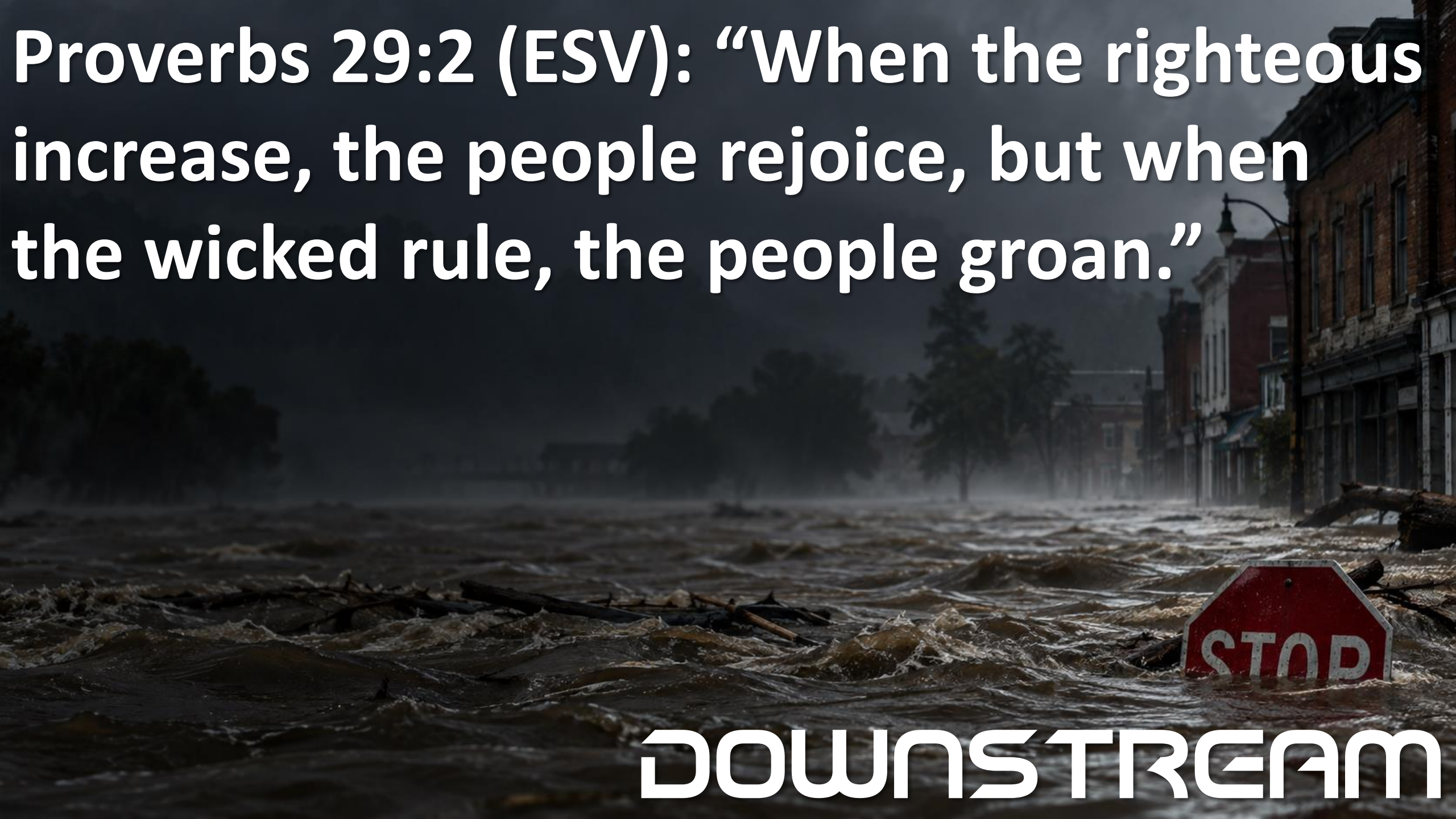
main point

1 Corinthians 5:6 (ESV): “Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump?”

A dramatic, dark scene of a flooded street. The water is turbulent and brown, with debris floating in it. A red octagonal stop sign is partially submerged in the water on the right side. In the background, there are buildings and trees under a dark, stormy sky.

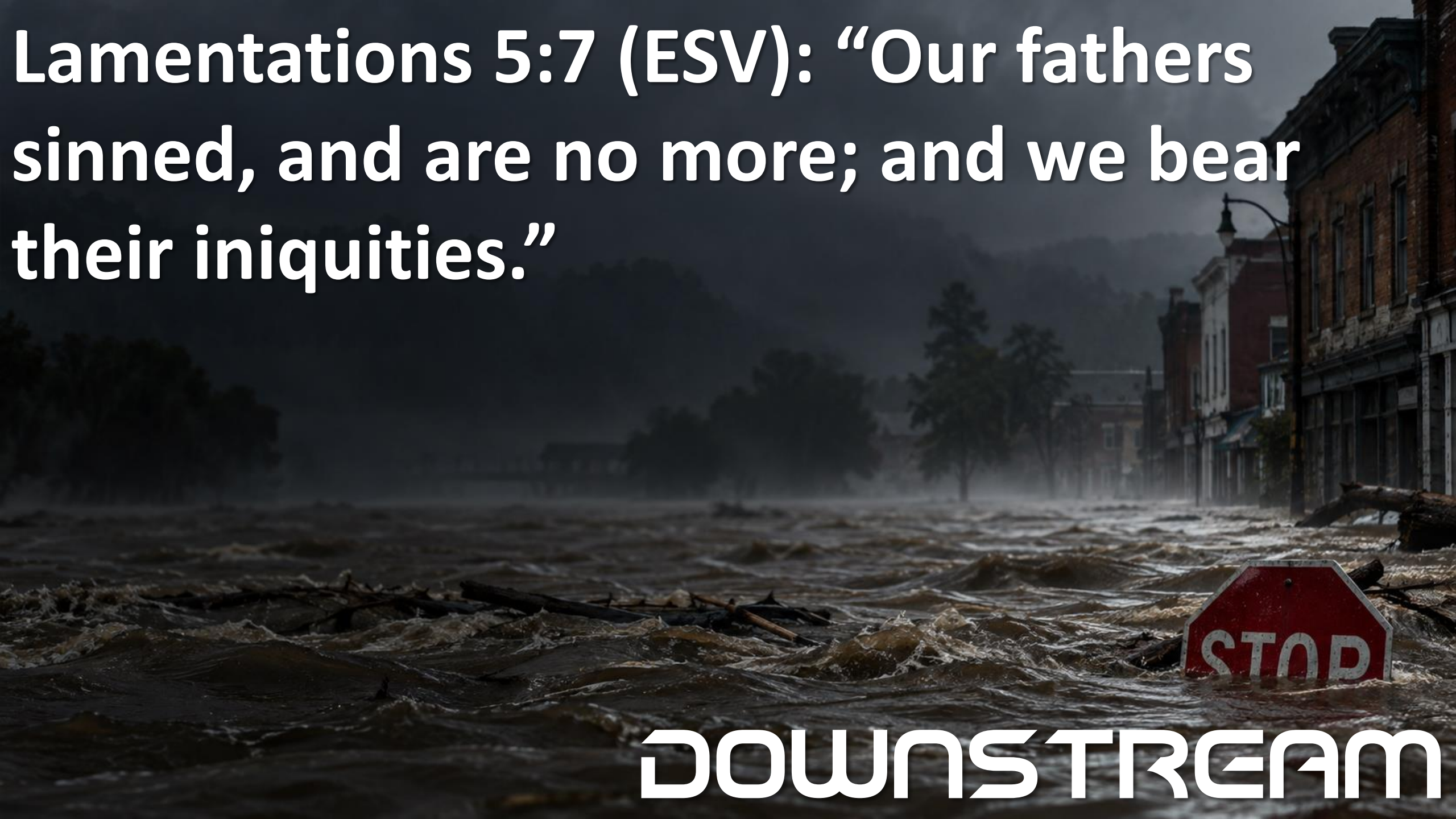
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Proverbs 29:2 (ESV): “When the righteous increase, the people rejoice, but when the wicked rule, the people groan.”

A photograph of a flooded street. The water is dark, turbulent, and filled with debris like branches and leaves. In the background, there are multi-story brick buildings and trees under a dark, overcast sky. A red octagonal stop sign is partially submerged in the water on the right side of the frame.

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**Lamentations 5:7 (ESV): “Our fathers
sinned, and are no more; and we bear
their iniquities.”**



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**WE CAN COMPLAIN
ABOUT THOSE WHO ARE UPSTREAM,
OR
WE CAN SUSTAIN
THOSE WHO ARE DOWNSTREAM.**

APPLICATION

Romans 12:21 (ESV): “Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.”

A dramatic, dark, and stormy scene of a flooded street. The water is turbulent and brown, with debris floating in it. In the background, there are buildings and trees under a heavy, grey sky. A red octagonal stop sign is partially submerged in the water in the lower right foreground, with the word "STOP" visible in white letters. The overall mood is one of chaos and adversity.

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