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THE MESSAGE

JAMES 1:22

"...DON'T JUST LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD. YOU MUST DO WHAT IT SAYS.
OTHERWISE, YOU ARE ONLY FOOLING YOURSELVES."



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**Correction without
connection leads to
rejection**



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Paul established connection through:

- Affirming their calling
- Offering thanksgiving
- Reminding them of God's faithfulness

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Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be his holy people, together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ—their Lord and ours

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul established connection through affirming their calling





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'Called'

'Invited'

'Selected'

BY GOD'S

GRACE

I AM

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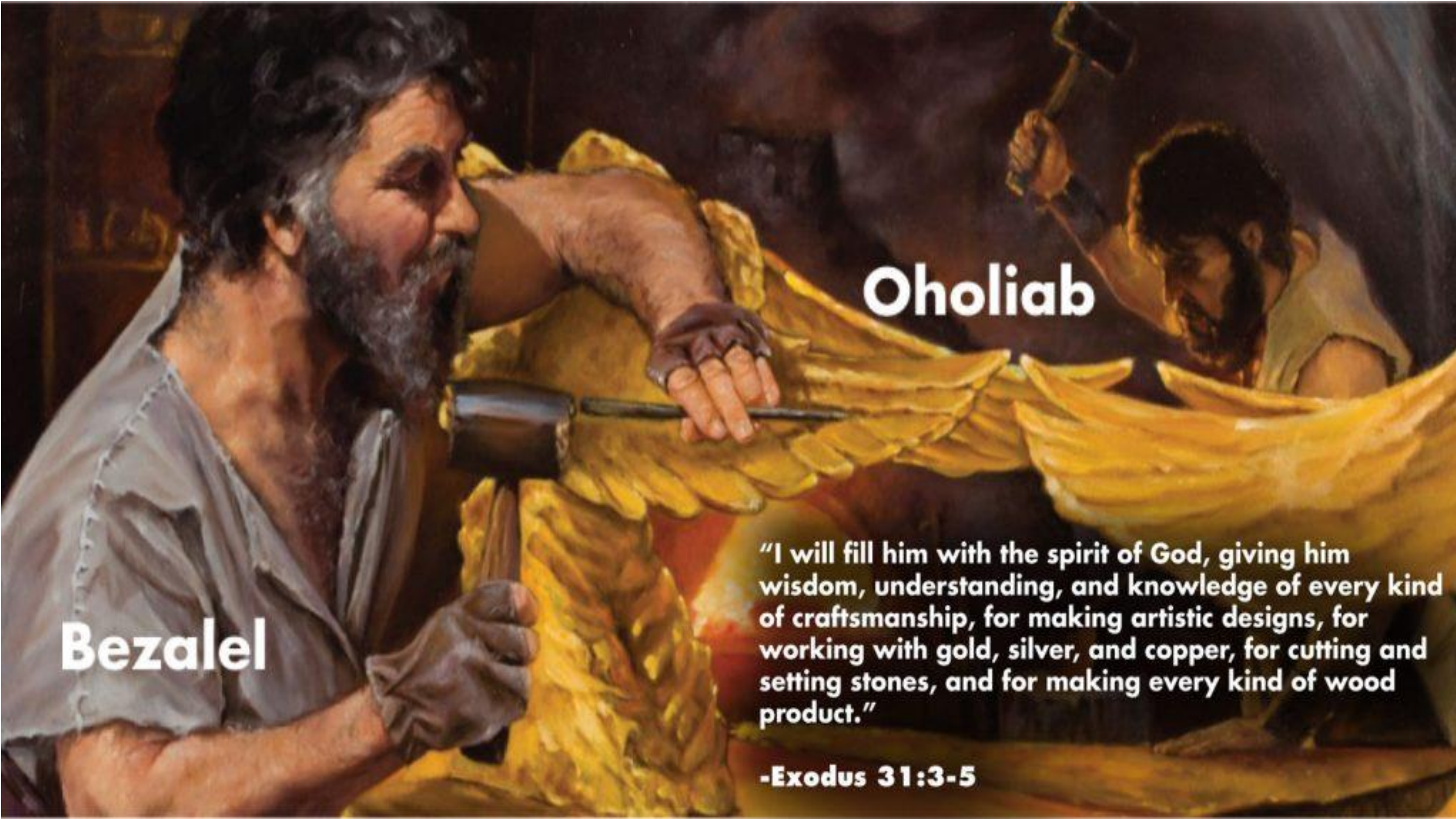
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Bezalel

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"I will fill him with the spirit of God, giving him wisdom, understanding, and knowledge of every kind of craftsmanship, for making artistic designs, for working with gold, silver, and copper, for cutting and setting stones, and for making every kind of wood product."

-Exodus 31:3-5

*God is faithful, who has
called you into fellowship
with his Son, Jesus Christ
our Lord*

1 Corinthians 1:9

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Extra Notes on Calling

Paul established connection through affirming their calling



*...called to be his holy people,
together with all those
everywhere who call on the
name of our Lord Jesus
Christ—their Lord and ours
1 Corinthians 1:2*

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95%
Prayer

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I always thank my God for you and for the gracious gifts He has given you, now that you belong to Christ Jesus. Through Him, God has enriched your church in every way—with all of your eloquent words and all of your knowledge. This confirms that what I told you about Christ is true
1 Corinthians 1:4-6

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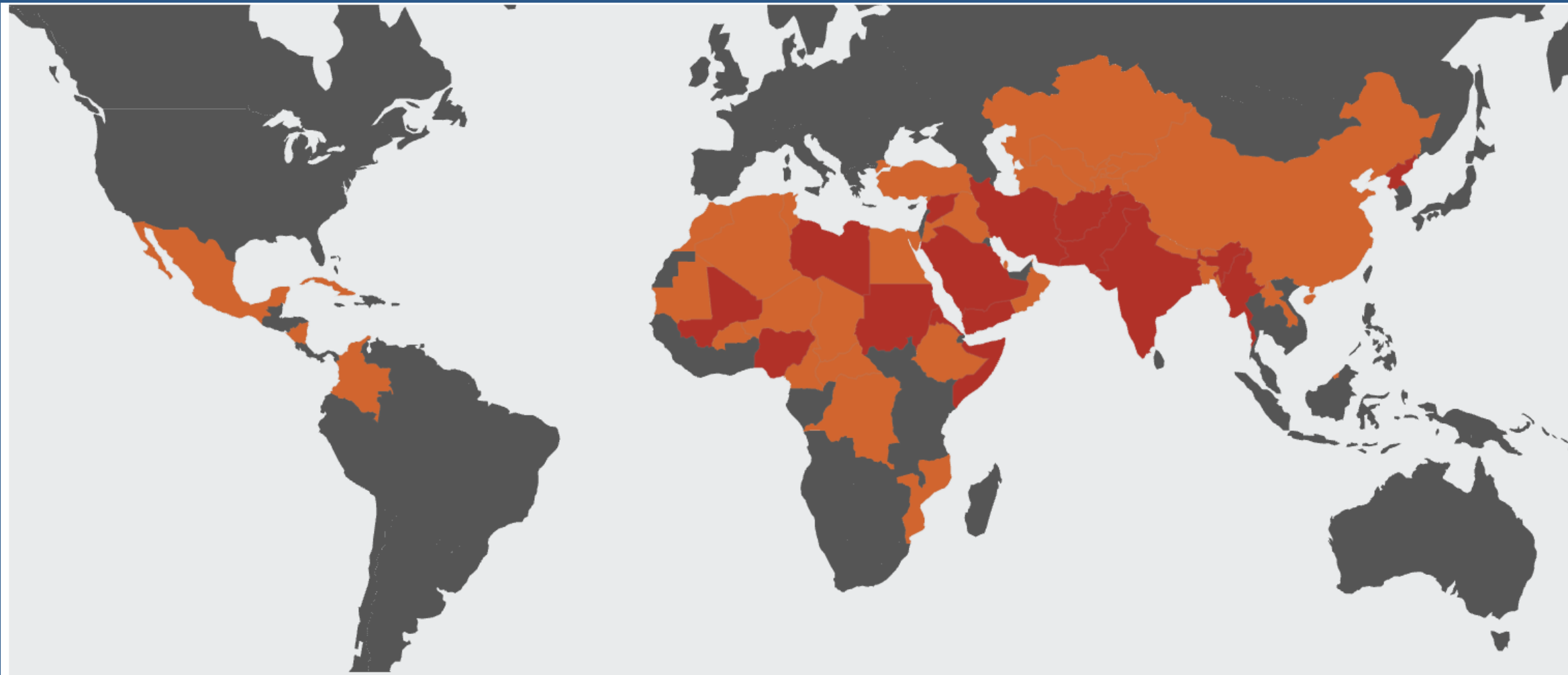


*Together, we are his house, built on the foundation
of the apostles and the prophets. And the
cornerstone is Christ Jesus himself. We are carefully
joined together in Him, becoming a holy temple for
the Lord Ephesians 2:20-21*



**Church isn't something to do
it's something to be!**

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Levels of persecution:

-  Extreme
-  Very High

81

countries where Christians face high, very high or extreme persecution

1 in 7

Christians around the world are persecuted for their faith

4,849

Christians were murdered for their faith last year

224,129

Christians forced to flee their homes

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Now you have every spiritual gift you need as you eagerly wait for the return of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will keep you strong to the end so that you will be free from all blame on the day when our Lord Jesus Christ returns. God will do this, for He is faithful to do what He says, and He has invited you into partnership with His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

1 Corinthians 1:8-9

Paul established connection through reminding them of God's faithfulness



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ἀπεκδέχομαι = arekdechomai

From apo and ekdechoai

To expect fully; to look and wait

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1 Corinthians 1:1-9
What is God saying to me?

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*May God our Father and the Lord
Jesus Christ give you grace and peace
1 Corinthians 1:3*

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**Do we need to reconnect to our calling?
Do we need to reconnect to our church
family through thanksgiving?
Do we need to reconnect to God's
promises?**

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THE LIVE STREAM

**IS NOW
FINISHING**

SEE YOU NEXT TIME

