

DEALING WITH DOUBT

Matthew 27:54

And when the centurion, who was standing right in front of Him, saw the way He breathed His last, he said, "**Truly this man was the Son of God!**

Mark 15:39

Now when the centurion saw what had happened, he began praising God, saying, "**Certainly this man was innocent.**"

Luke 23:47

What did the Centurion Hear or See?

The Claims of Pilate

And he said to them the third time,
"Why, what evil has this man done? I
have found in Him no guilt demanding
death; I will therefore punish Him and
release Him

Luke 23:22

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The Words of the Thief

The Mocking Words of the Crowd
and while being reviled, He did not
revile in return; while suffering, He
uttered no threats, but kept entrusting
Himself to Him who judges righteously;

1 Peter 2:23

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The Words of Jesus

But Jesus was saying, "**Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.**" And they cast lots, dividing up His garments among themselves.

Luke 23:34

And He said to him, "Truly I say to you,
**today you shall be with Me in
Paradise."**

Luke 23:43

When Jesus therefore saw His mother,
and the disciple whom He loved
standing nearby, He said to His mother,
"Woman, behold, your son!"

John 19:26

And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" that is, "**My God, My God, why have you forsaken Me?**"

Matthew 27:46

And Jesus, crying out with a loud voice, said, "**Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit.**" And having said this, He breathed His last.

Luke 23:46

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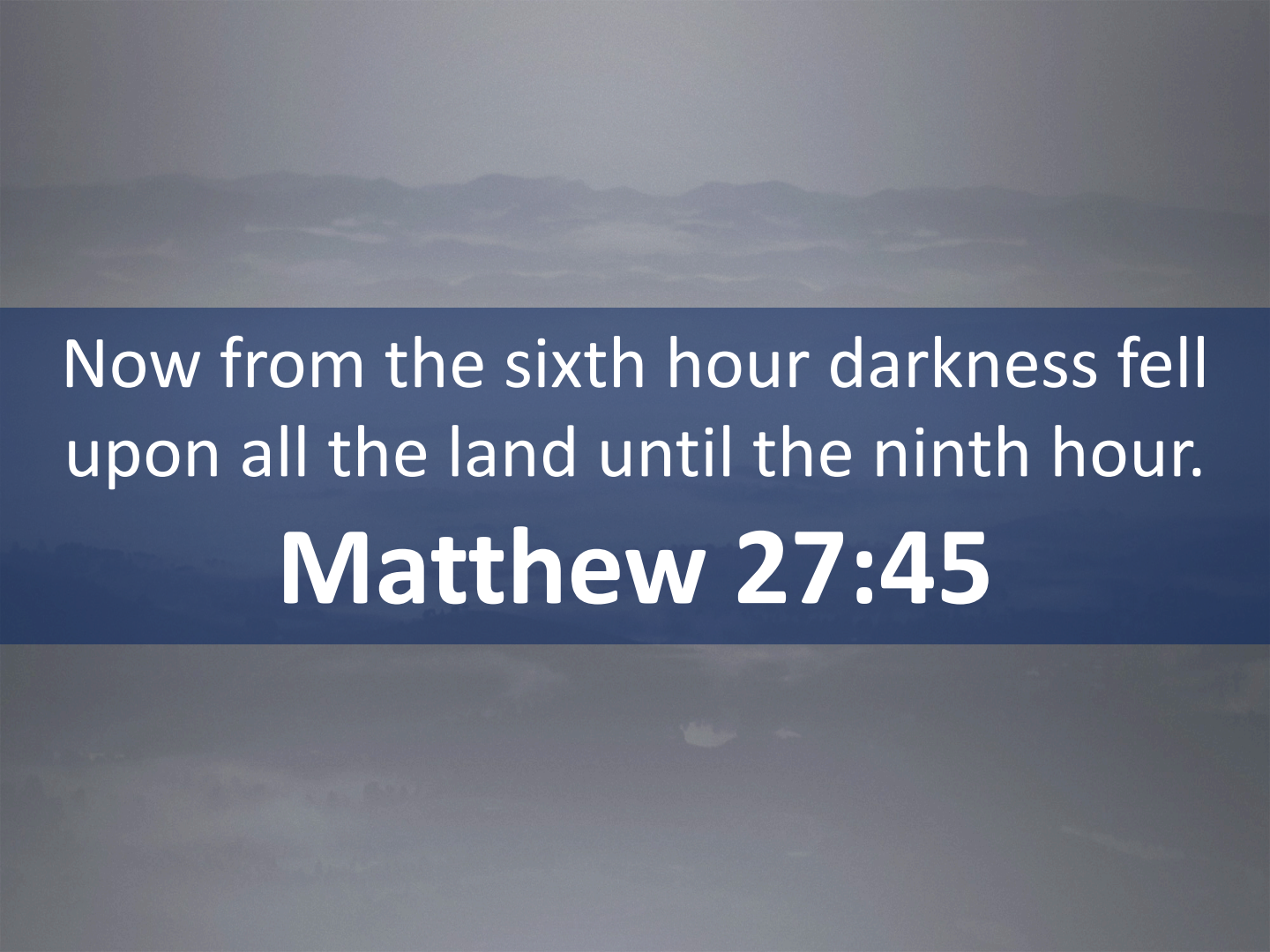
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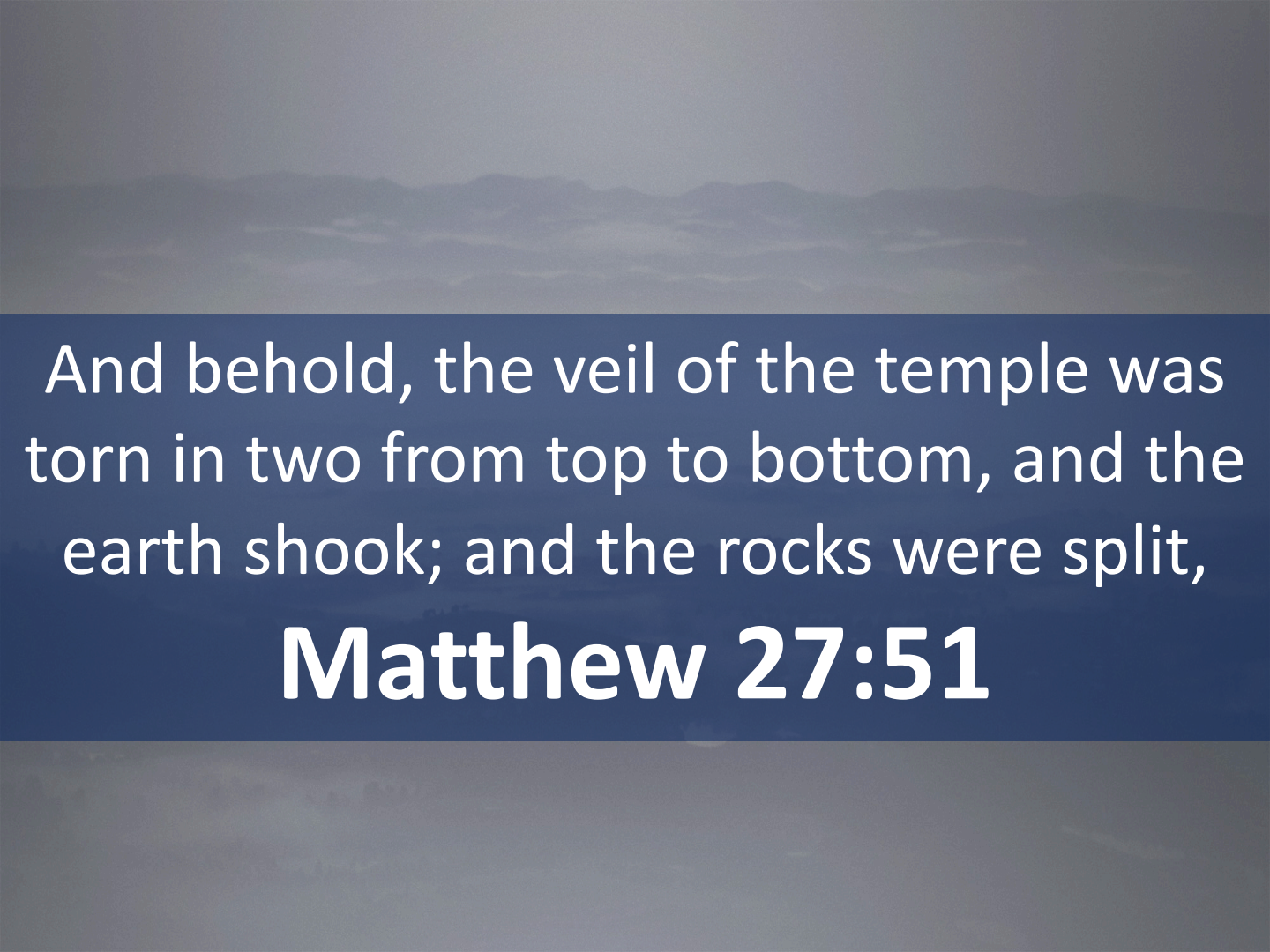
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The Miracles



Now from the sixth hour darkness fell
upon all the land until the ninth hour.

Matthew 27:45



And behold, the veil of the temple was
torn in two from top to bottom, and the
earth shook; and the rocks were split,

Matthew 27:51

and the tombs were opened; and many
bodies of the saints who had fallen
asleep were raised;

Matthew 27:52

Now the centurion, and those who were with him keeping guard over Jesus, when they saw the earthquake and the things that were happening, **became very frightened** and said, "Truly this was the Son of God!"

Matthew 27:54



How did the Psalmist handle his doubts?

He withheld his doubts from a younger crowd (v. 15)

He continued to search for the answer (v. 16)

He continued to worship (v. 17)

He admitted his wrong thinking (v. 21-22)



but these **have been written that you may believe** that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.

John 20:31

And according to Paul's custom, he went to them, and for three Sabbaths reasoned with them from the Scriptures, **explaining** and **giving evidence** that the Christ had to suffer and rise again from the dead, and saying, "This Jesus whom I am proclaiming to you is the Christ."


Acts 17:2-3

For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been **clearly seen**, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse.

Romans 1:20

but test everything; hold fast
what is good

1 Thessalonians 5:21



The simple believes everything, but the prudent gives thought to his steps.

Proverbs 14:15

The gullible believe anything they're told; the prudent **sift and weigh every word.**

Proverbs 14:15 (Paraphrase)

Now these were more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, **examining the Scriptures daily, to see whether these things were so.**

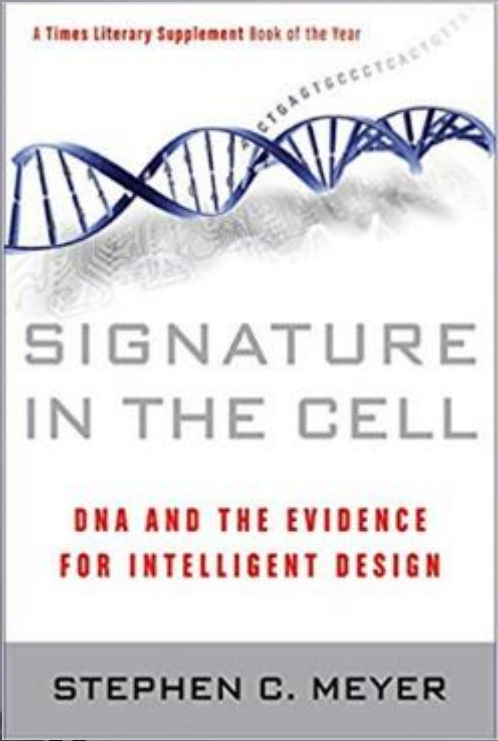
Acts 17:11

and said to Him, "Are You the Expected One, or shall we look for someone else?" 4 And Jesus answered and said to them, "Go and report to John what you **hear and see:**

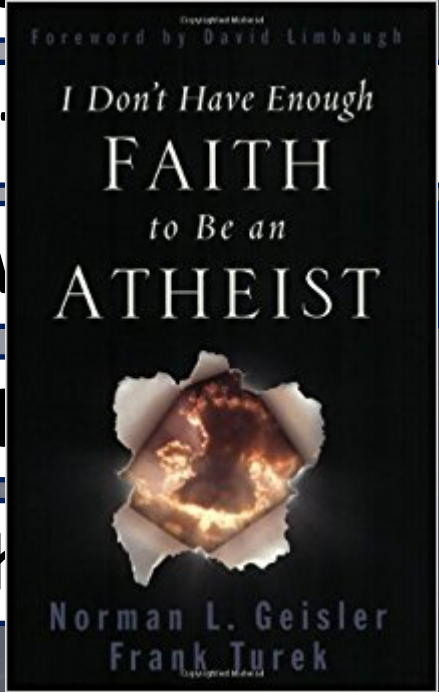
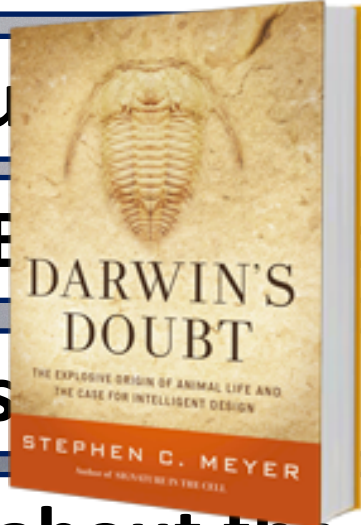
Matthew 11:3-4

"If I do not do the works of My Father, do not believe Me; but if I do them, though you do not believe Me, **believe the works**, that you may know and understand that the Father is in Me, and I in the Father."

John 10:37-38



Is there a God?



What about the ch

"The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our sons forever, that we may observe all the words of this law.

Deuteronomy 29:29

"Ask, and it shall be given to you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened to you. 8 "For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it shall be opened.

Matthew 7:7-8



But let him ask in faith without
any doubting, for the one who
doubts is like the surf of the sea
driven and tossed by the wind. ⁷

Be watchful, **stand firm in the
faith**, act like men, be strong

1 Corinthians 16:13

For let not that man expect that
he will receive anything from the
Lord, ⁸ *being* a double-minded
man, **unstable in all his ways.**

James 1:6-8



“Doubt sees the obstacles;

Faith sees the way.

Doubt sees the darkest night,

Faith sees the day.

Doubt dreads to take a step,

Faith soars on high.

Doubt questions ‘who believes?’

Faith answers, ‘I.’”