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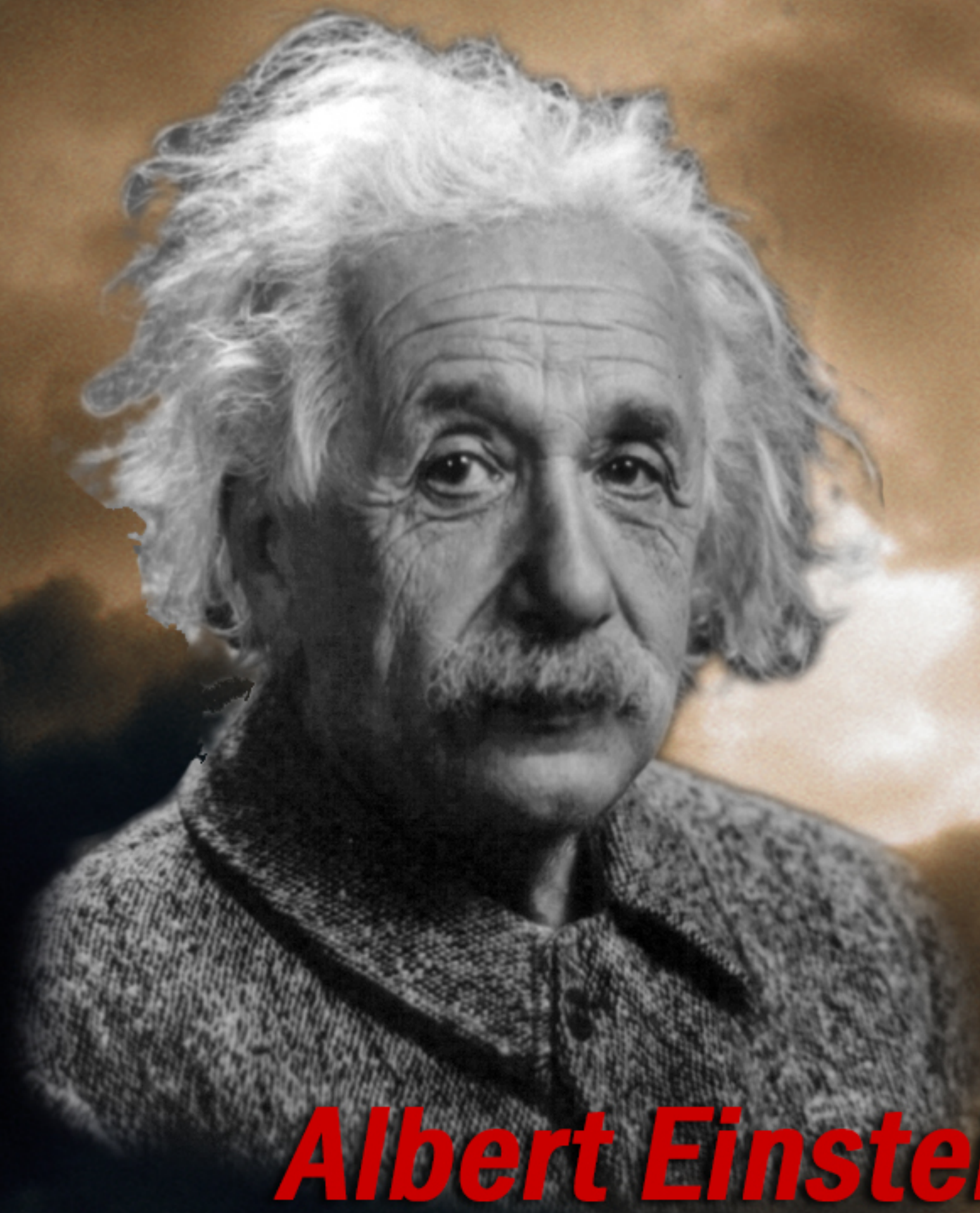
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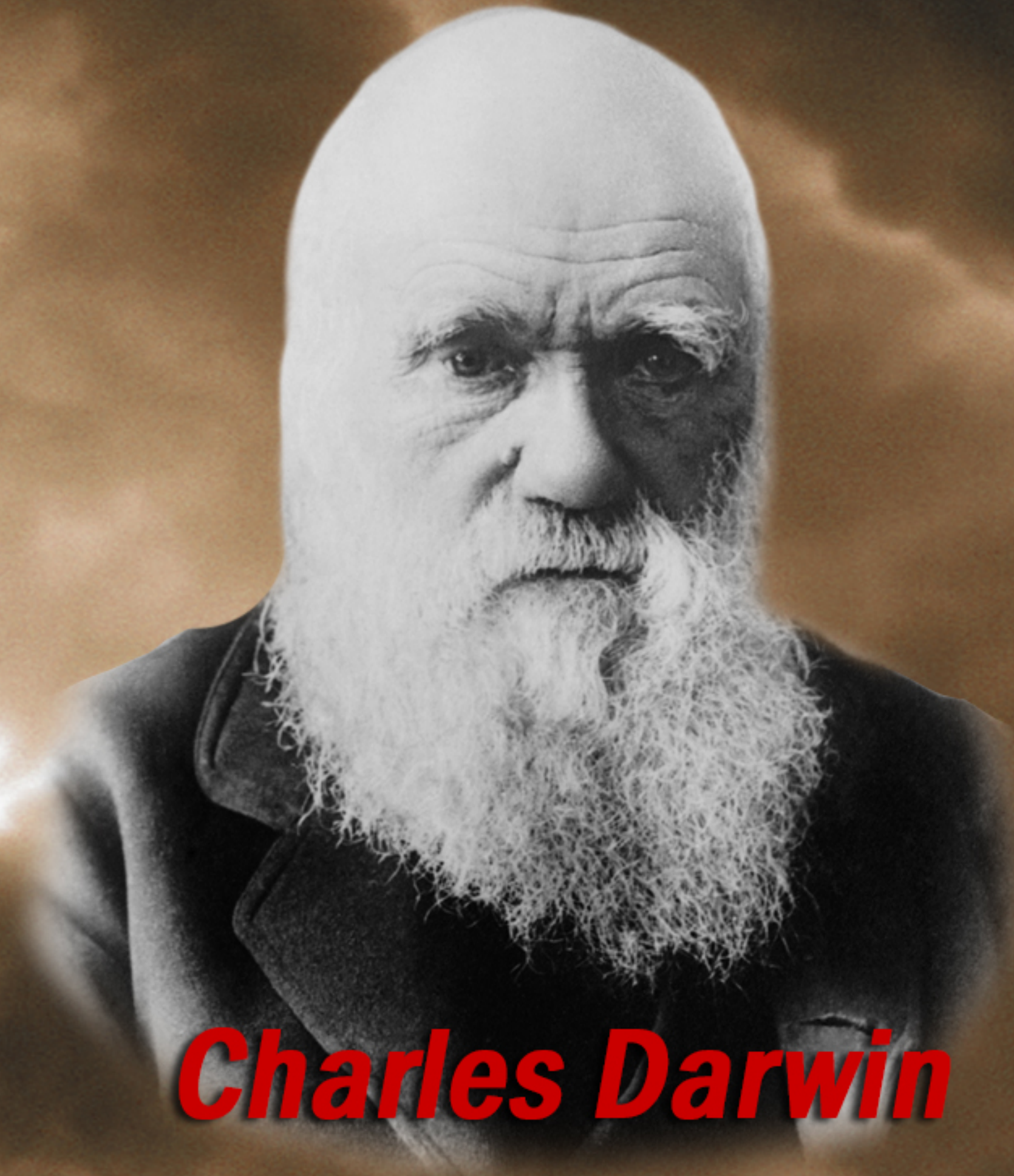
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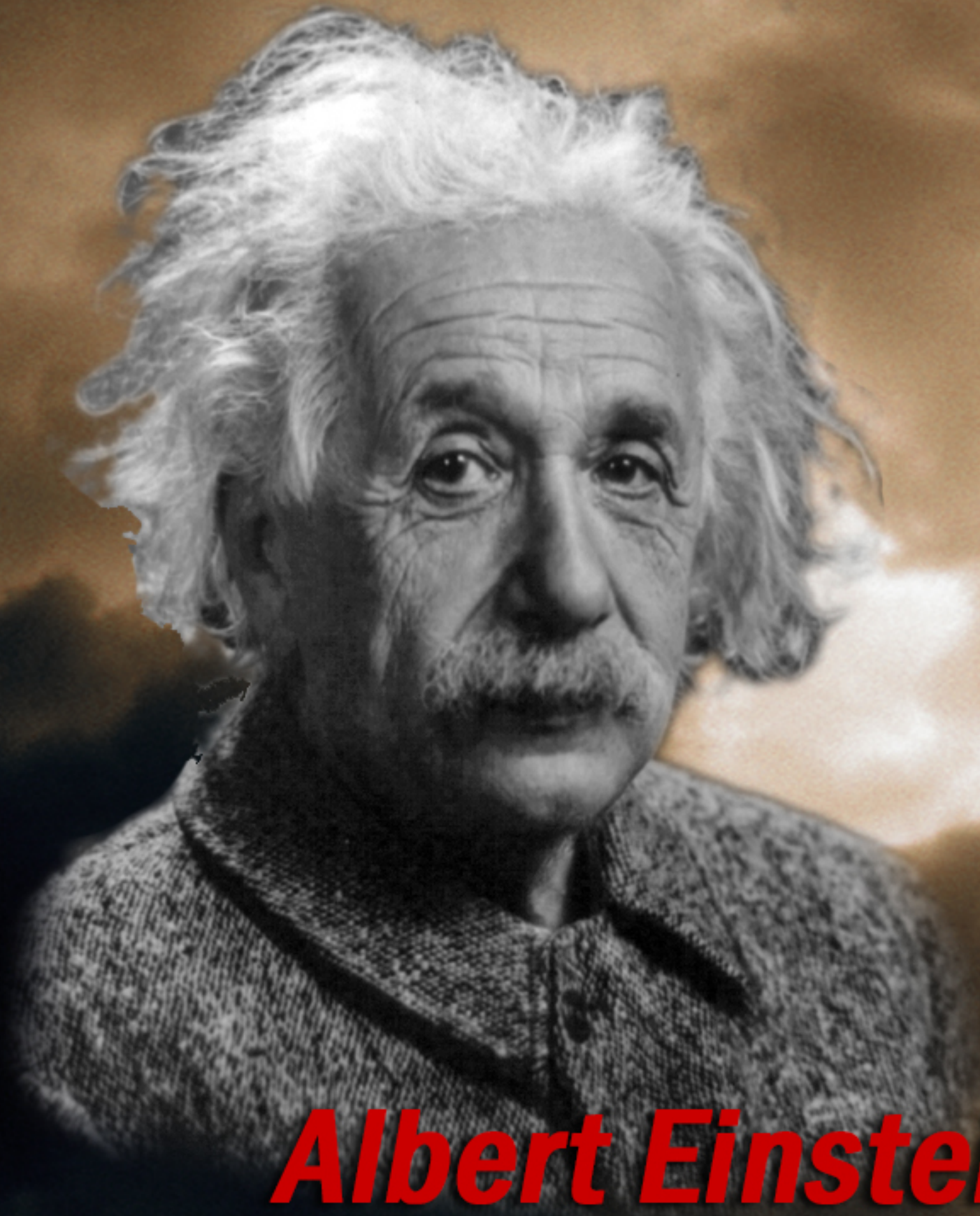


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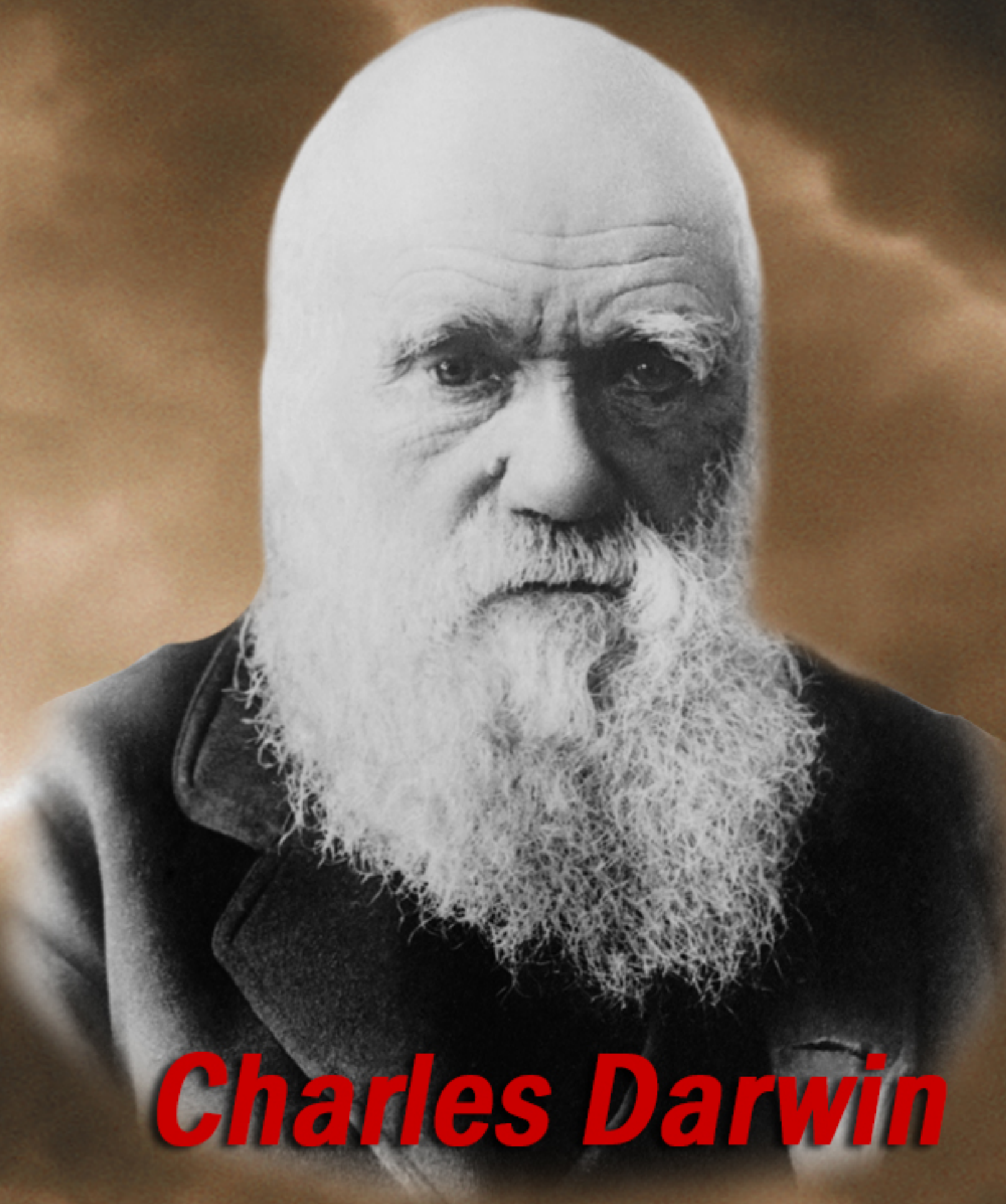


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Bart Ehrman

“I left the faith for what I took to be (and still take to be) an unrelated reason: the problem of suffering in the world.”



Bart Ehrman

***“How long, O Lord, must I call for help,
but you do not listen? Or cry out to you,
‘Violence!’ but you do not save?”***

Habakkuk 1:2

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*“Rejoice with those who rejoice;
weep with those who weep.”*

ROMANS 12:15

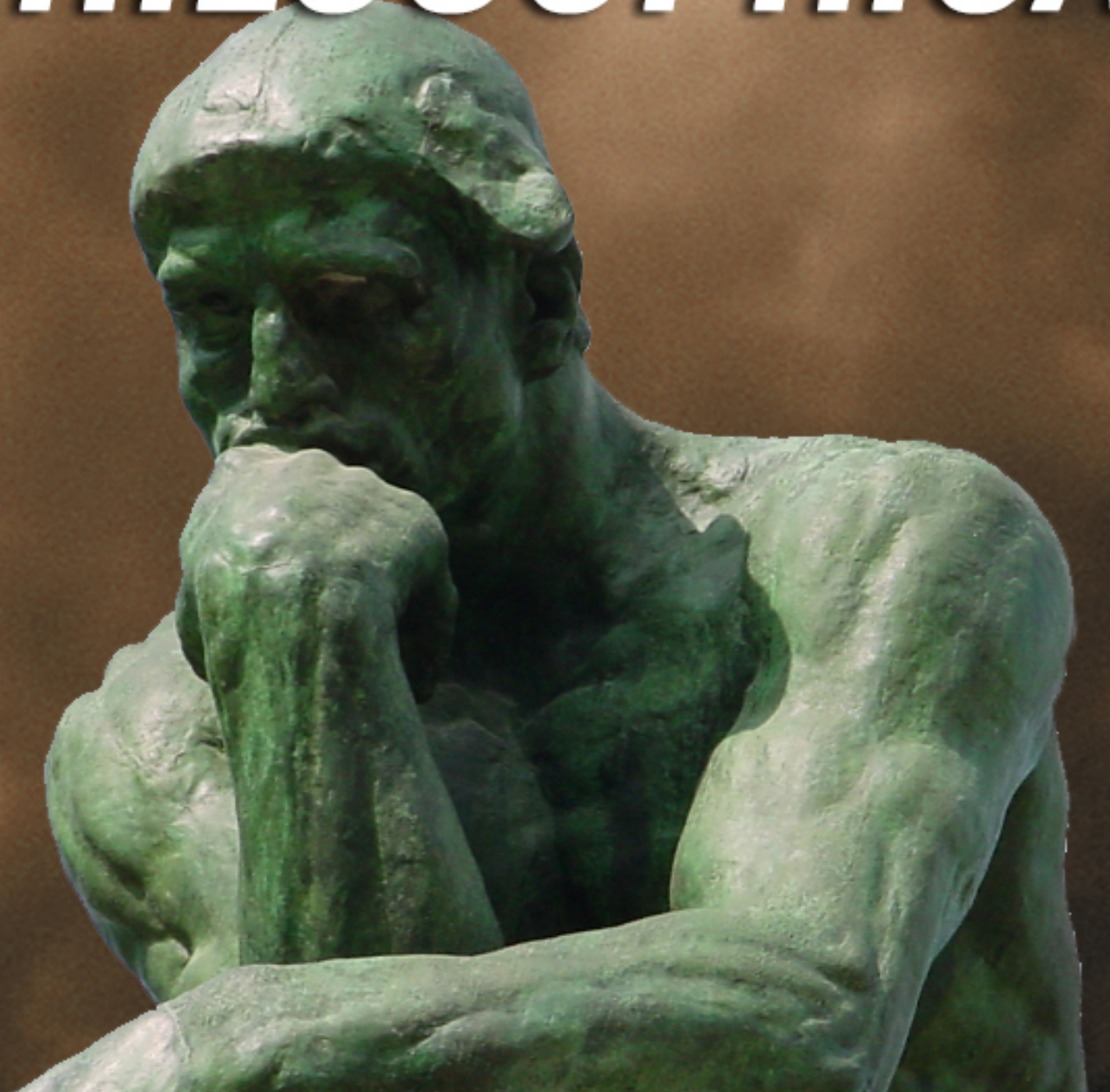
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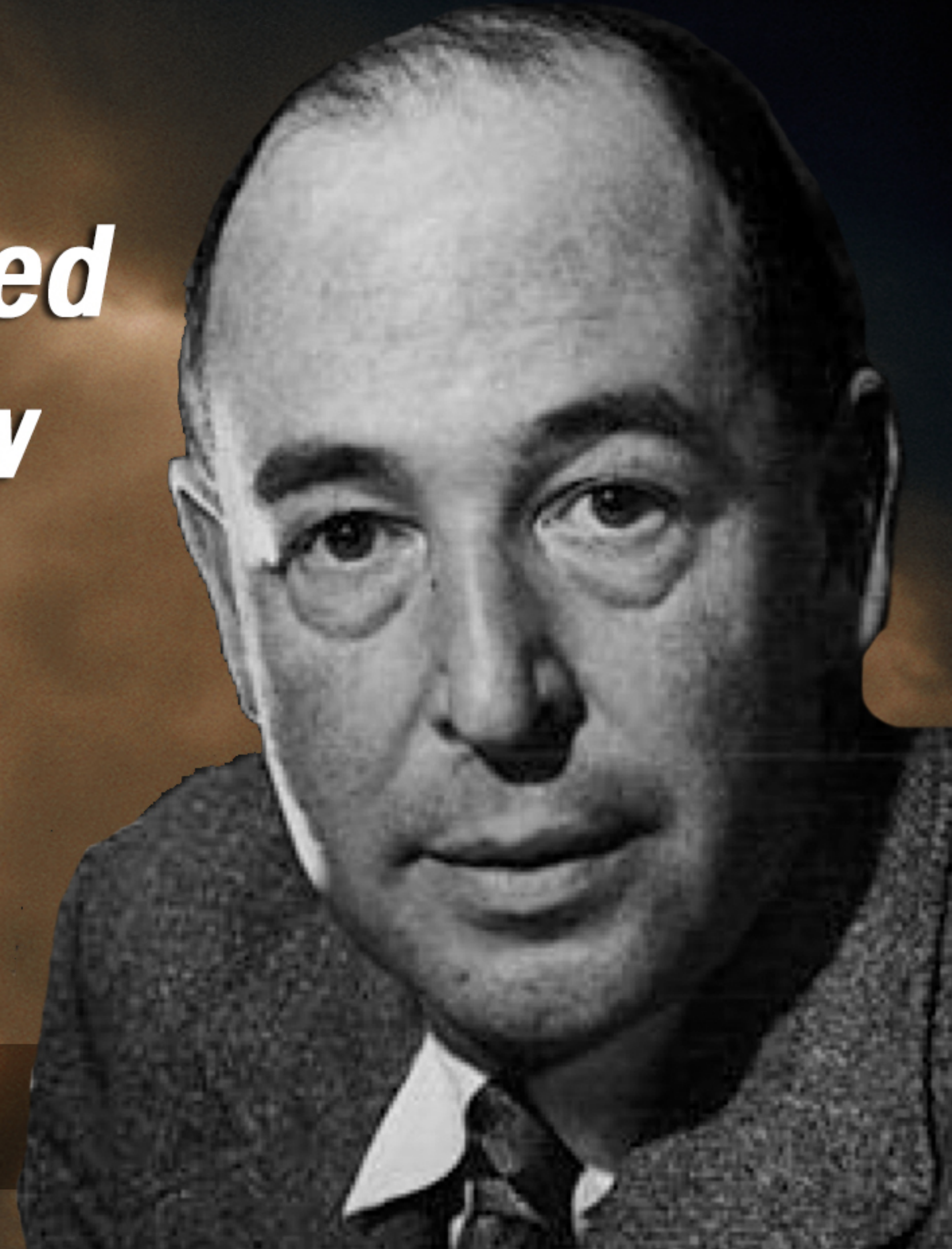
PHILOSOPHICAL



“My argument against God was that the universe seemed so cruel and unjust, but how had I gotten this idea of just and unjust?...”

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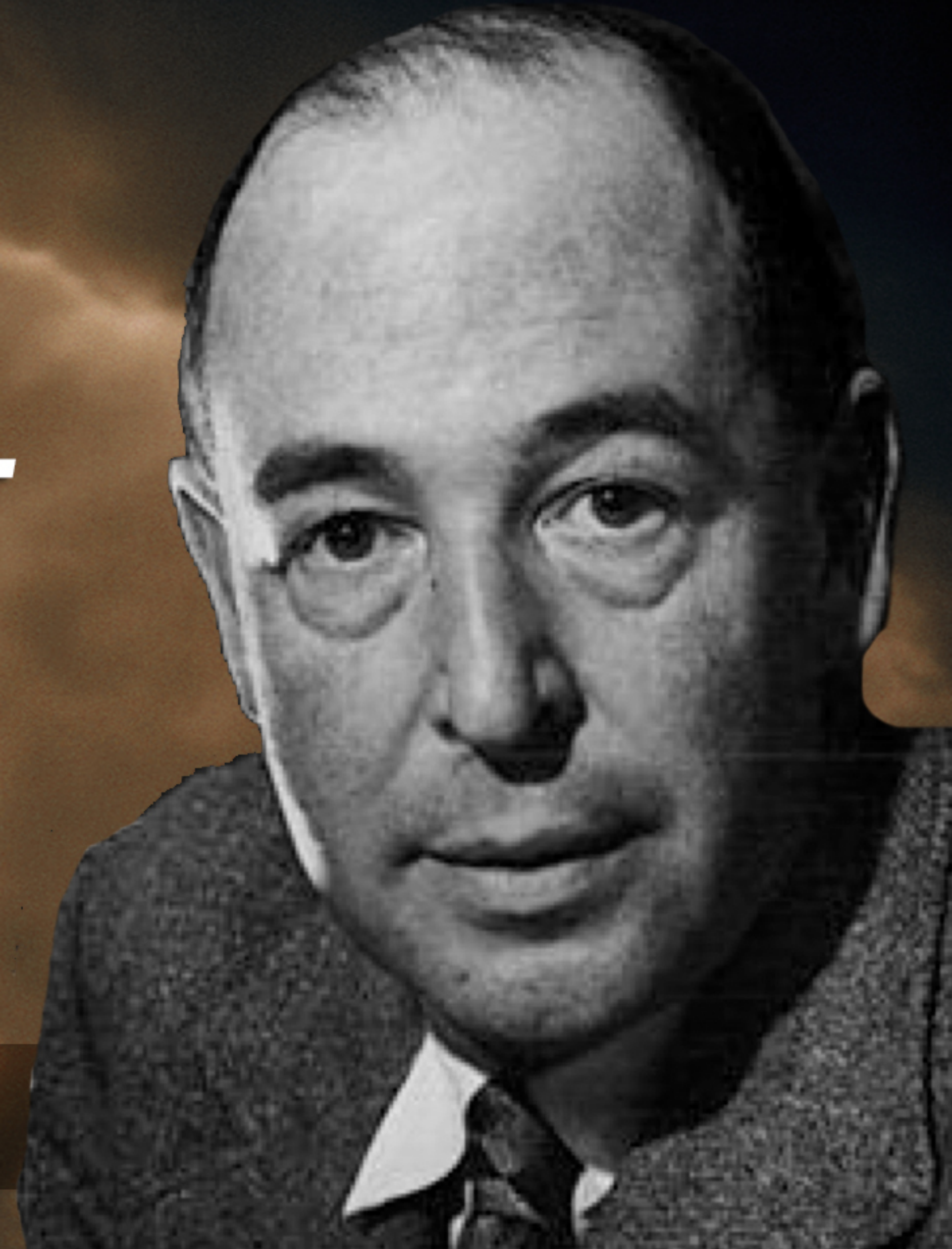
C.S. Lewis



...A man does not call a line crooked unless he has some idea of a straight line. What was I comparing this universe with when I called it unjust?"

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“YIN YANG”
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EVIL

**IS A CORRUPTION
OF WHAT IS GOOD**

“If God exists, either He can do nothing to stop the most egregious calamities or He does not care to...”

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Sam Harris



***...God, therefore, is either
impotent or evil. There is
another possibility, of course,
and it is both the most
reasonable...***

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...and least odious: the biblical god is a fiction like Zeus, and the thousands of other dead gods whom most sane beings now ignore.”

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***“A world containing creatures
who are significantly free...”***



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Alvin Plantinga

***...is more valuable, all else
being equal, than a world
containing no free creatures
at all...***



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...Now God can create free creatures, but He can't cause or determine them to only do what is right...

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***...For if He does so, then
they aren't significantly free
after all. To create creatures
capable of moral good...***



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...therefore, He must create creatures capable of moral evil; and He can't give these creatures the freedom..."



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Alvin Plantinga

A portrait of Francis Collins, a man with short brown hair, a mustache, and glasses, wearing a white lab coat over a light blue shirt and a blue patterned tie. He is smiling slightly. The background is a dramatic, cloudy sky with a bright light source breaking through the clouds.

Francis Collins

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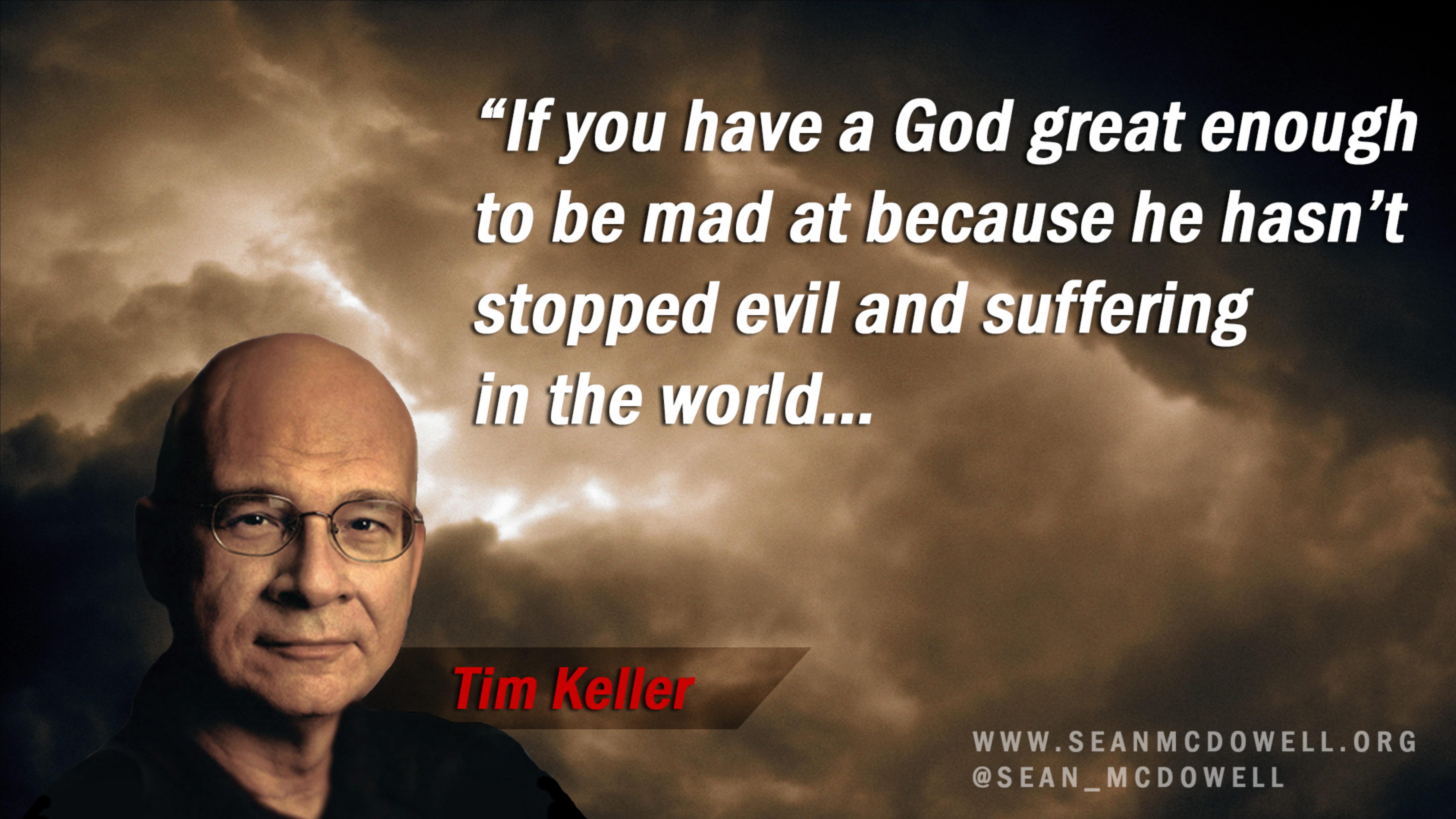
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***“God whispers in our
pleasure...but shouts in
our pain.”***



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***“If you have a God great enough
to be mad at because he hasn’t
stopped evil and suffering
in the world...”***

Tim Keller

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...then you have (at the same moment), a god great and transcendent enough to have good reasons for allowing it...

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...to continue that you can't know. Indeed, you can't have it both ways."

A portrait of Tim Keller, a bald man with glasses, looking directly at the camera. The background is a dramatic, cloudy sky with a bright light source behind the clouds.

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“You meant evil against me, but God meant it for good.”

Genesis 50:20

“O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?”

1 Corinthians 15:55