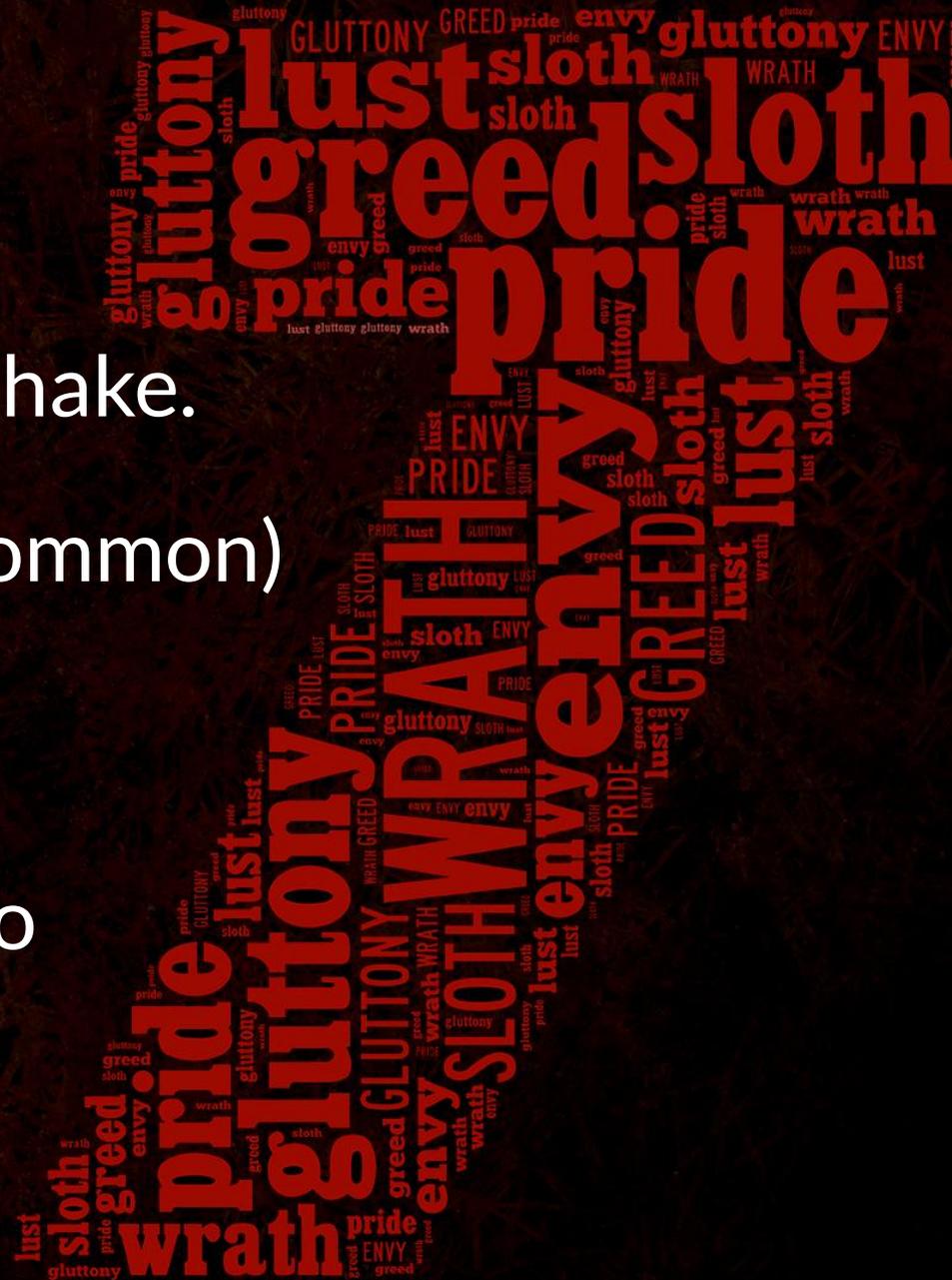


the deadly seven



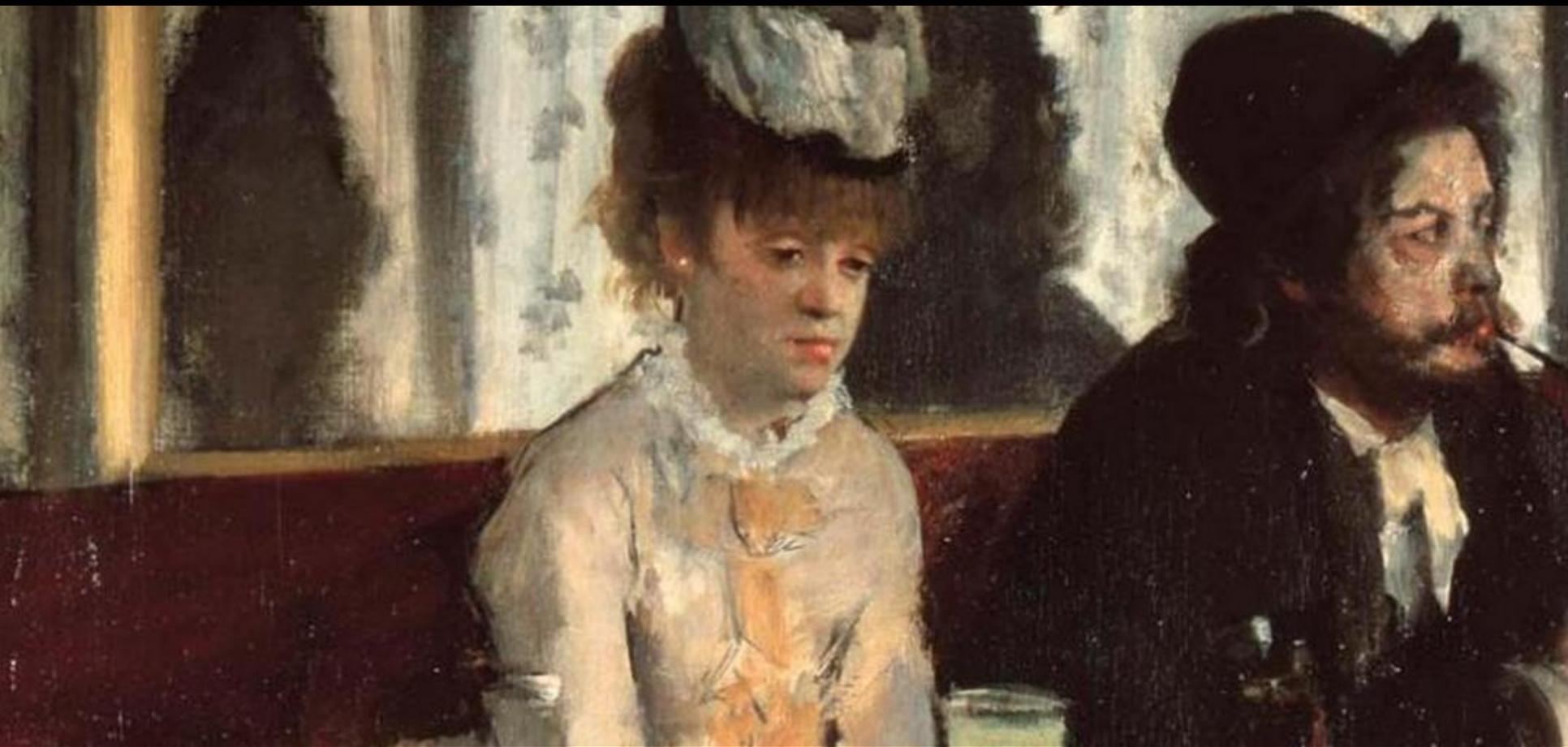
why are the 7 deadly?

- 1) They are difficult to shake.
- 2) They are endemic (common) to humanity.
- 3) They are often the necessary first step to another sin.



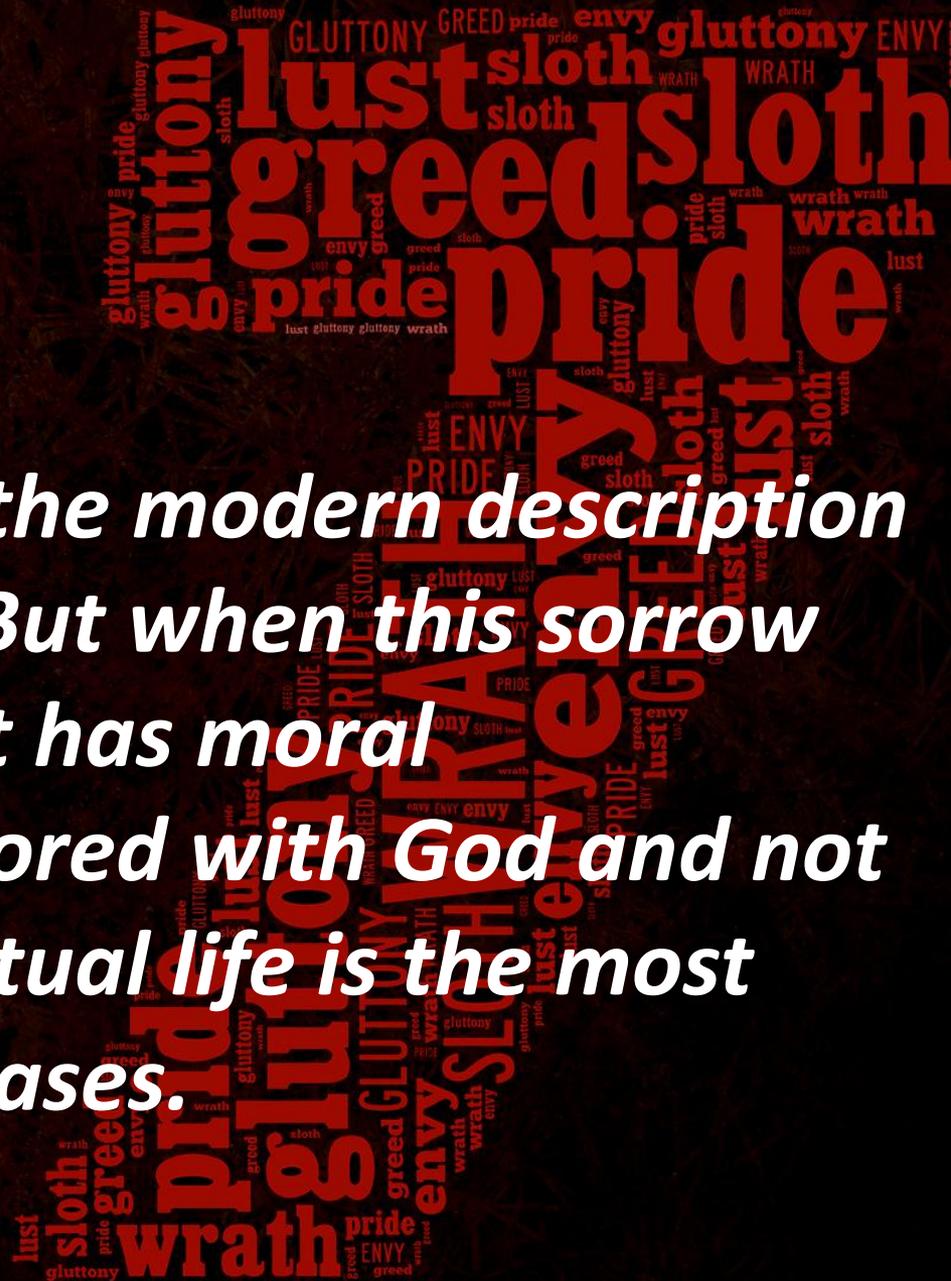


what is so DEADLY
about SLOTH?



sloth is sadness over
spiritual good.

... This may sound like the modern description of clinical depression. But when this sorrow has God as its object, it has moral consequences. Being bored with God and not caring about your spiritual life is the most deadly of spiritual diseases.



*These are the words of the Quester, David's son
and king in Jerusalem Smoke, nothing but smoke.*

[That's what the Quester says.]

There's nothing to anything—it's all smoke.

*What's there to show for a lifetime of work,
a lifetime of working your fingers to the bone?*

*... Everything's boring, utterly boring—
no one can find any meaning in it.*

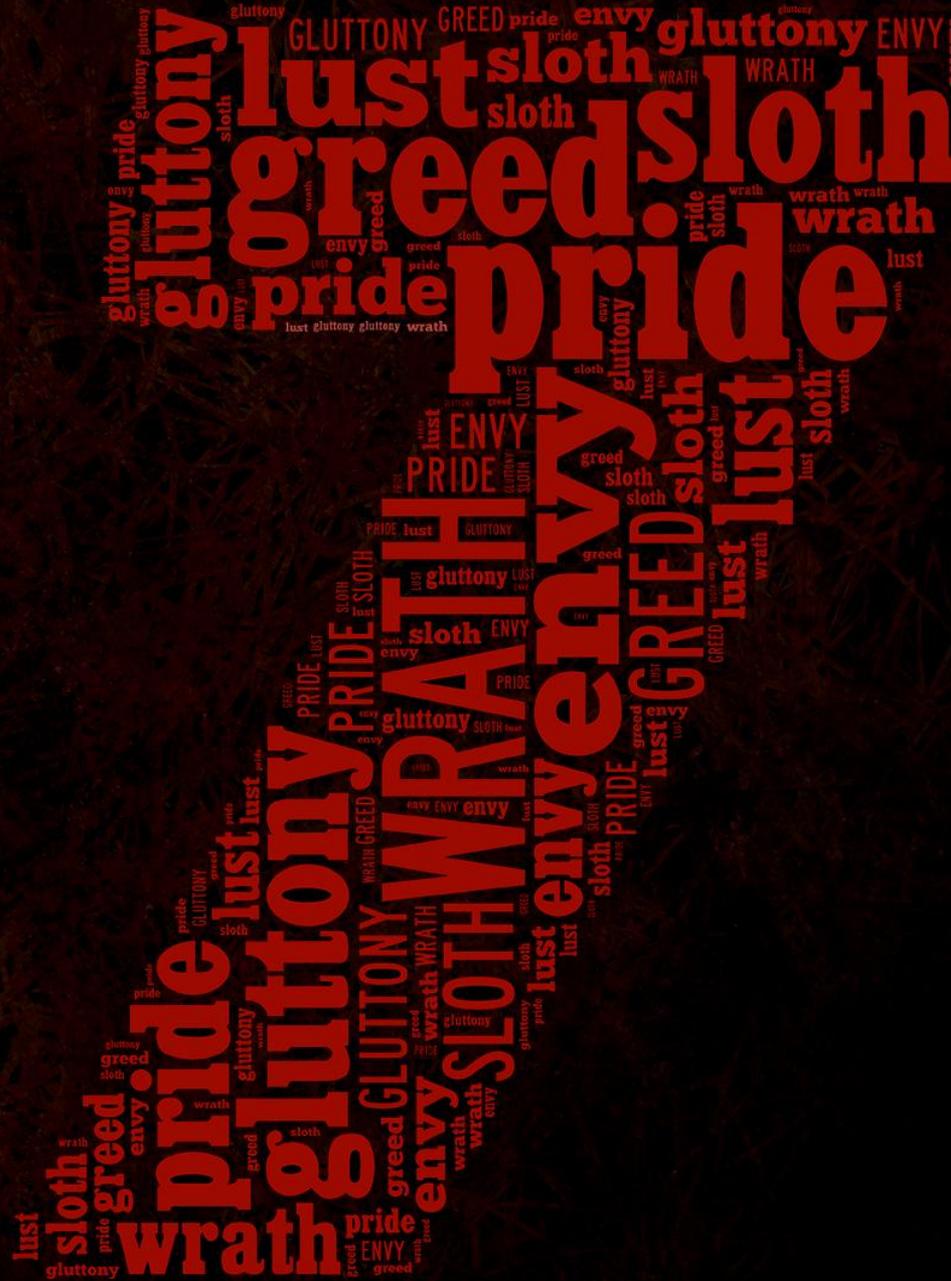
... There's nothing new on this earth.

Year after year it's the same old thing.

Portions of Ecclesiastes 1 (the Message)

the sadness of sloth

1) Too lazy to ENJOY





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2) Too lazy to CHANGE



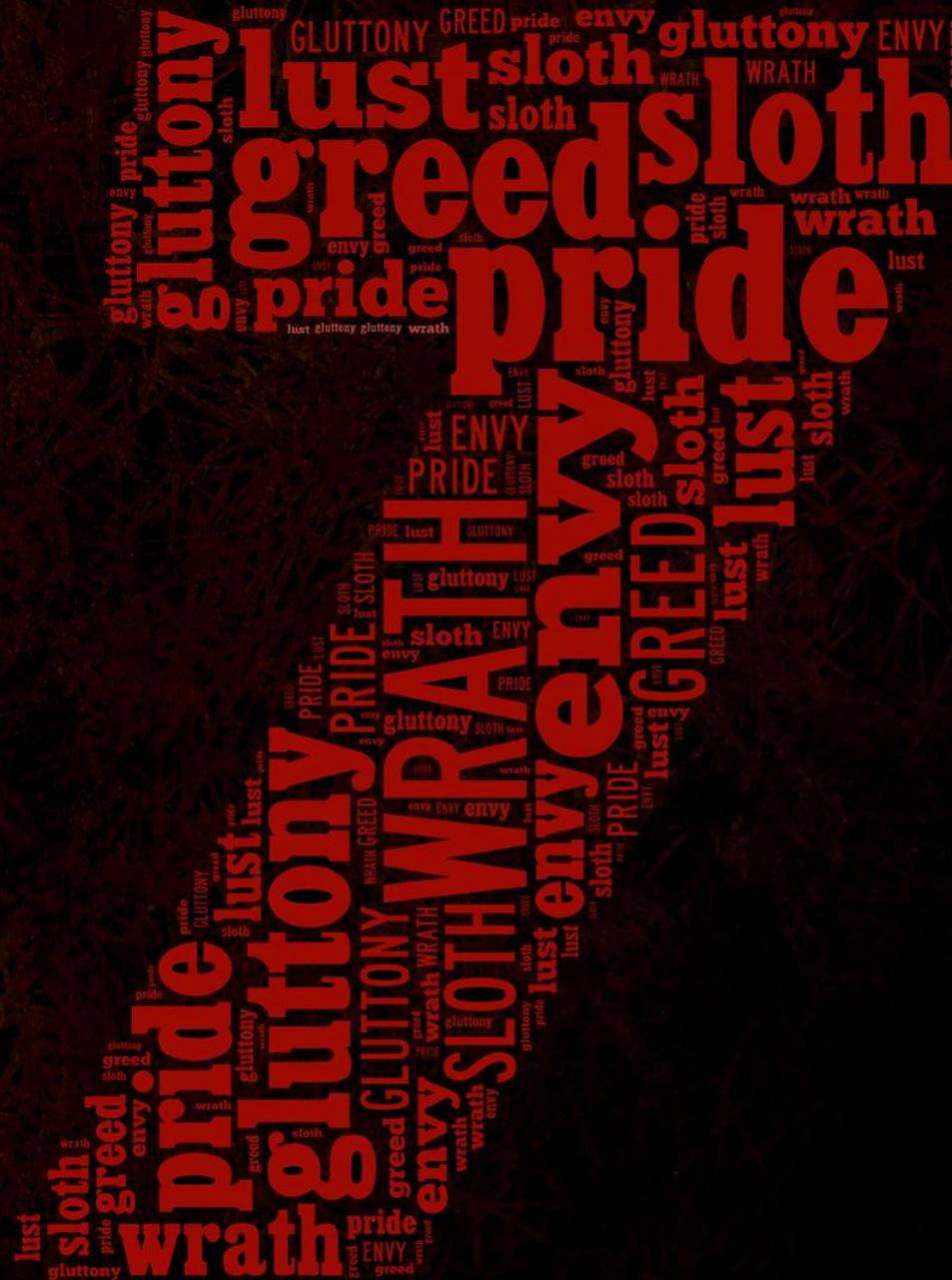


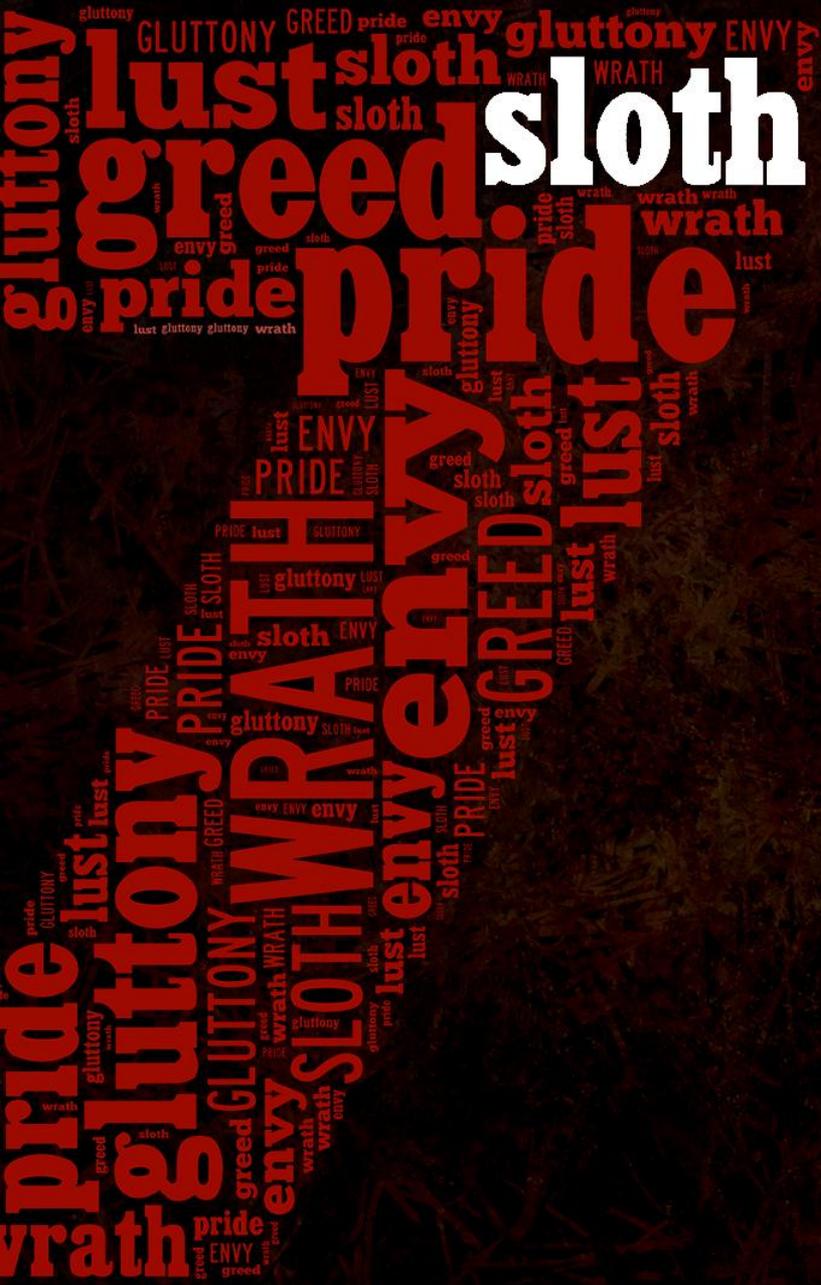
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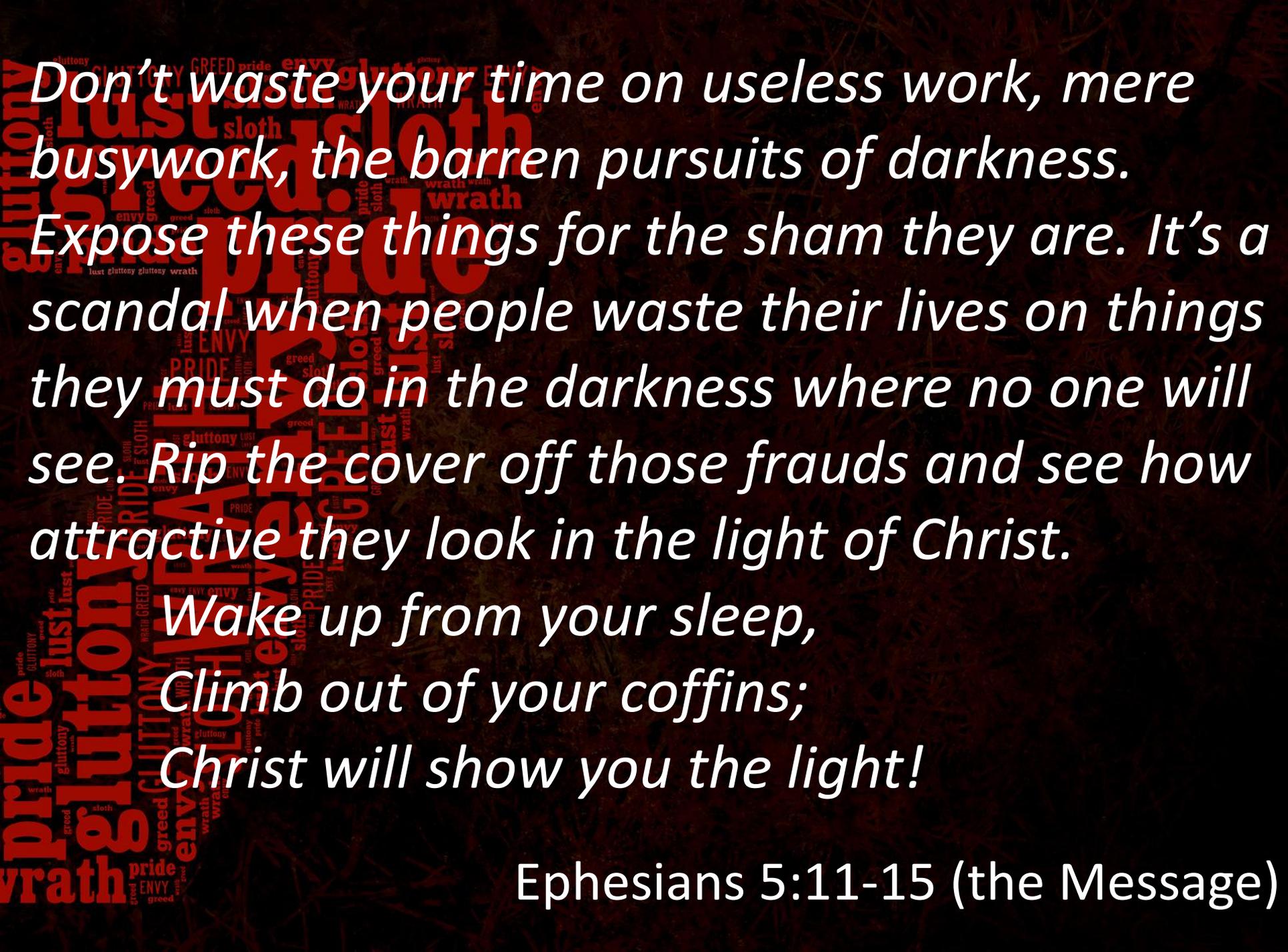
what is impossible with MAN

is possible with GOD

It stands to reason, doesn't it, that if the alive-and-present God who raised Jesus from the dead moves into your life, he'll do the same thing in you that he did in Jesus, bringing you alive to himself?

When God lives and breathes in you (and he does, as surely as he did in Jesus), you are delivered from that dead life. ***With his Spirit living in you, your body will be as alive as Christ's!***

Romans 8:11 (the Message)



Don't waste your time on useless work, mere busywork, the barren pursuits of darkness.

Expose these things for the sham they are. It's a scandal when people waste their lives on things they must do in the darkness where no one will see. Rip the cover off those frauds and see how attractive they look in the light of Christ.

Wake up from your sleep,

Climb out of your coffins;

Christ will show you the light!

Ephesians 5:11-15 (the Message)

our part:

1) Rediscover Sabbath rhythms
and re-Creation.

2) Develop a *Carpe diem*
mindset

