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Colossians 2:1-2a

1 For I want you to know how great a struggle I have for you and for those at Laodicea and for all who have not seen me face to face, **2** that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love...

Colossians 2:2b-3

...to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God's mystery, which is Christ, **3** in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Colossians 2:4-5

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III. The Effects of Maturity

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- John 8:44; Matthew 4:6; 2 Peter 2:1; 2 Corinthians 11:13-15; Romans 16:18; Ephesians 5:6; 2 Peter 2:3.

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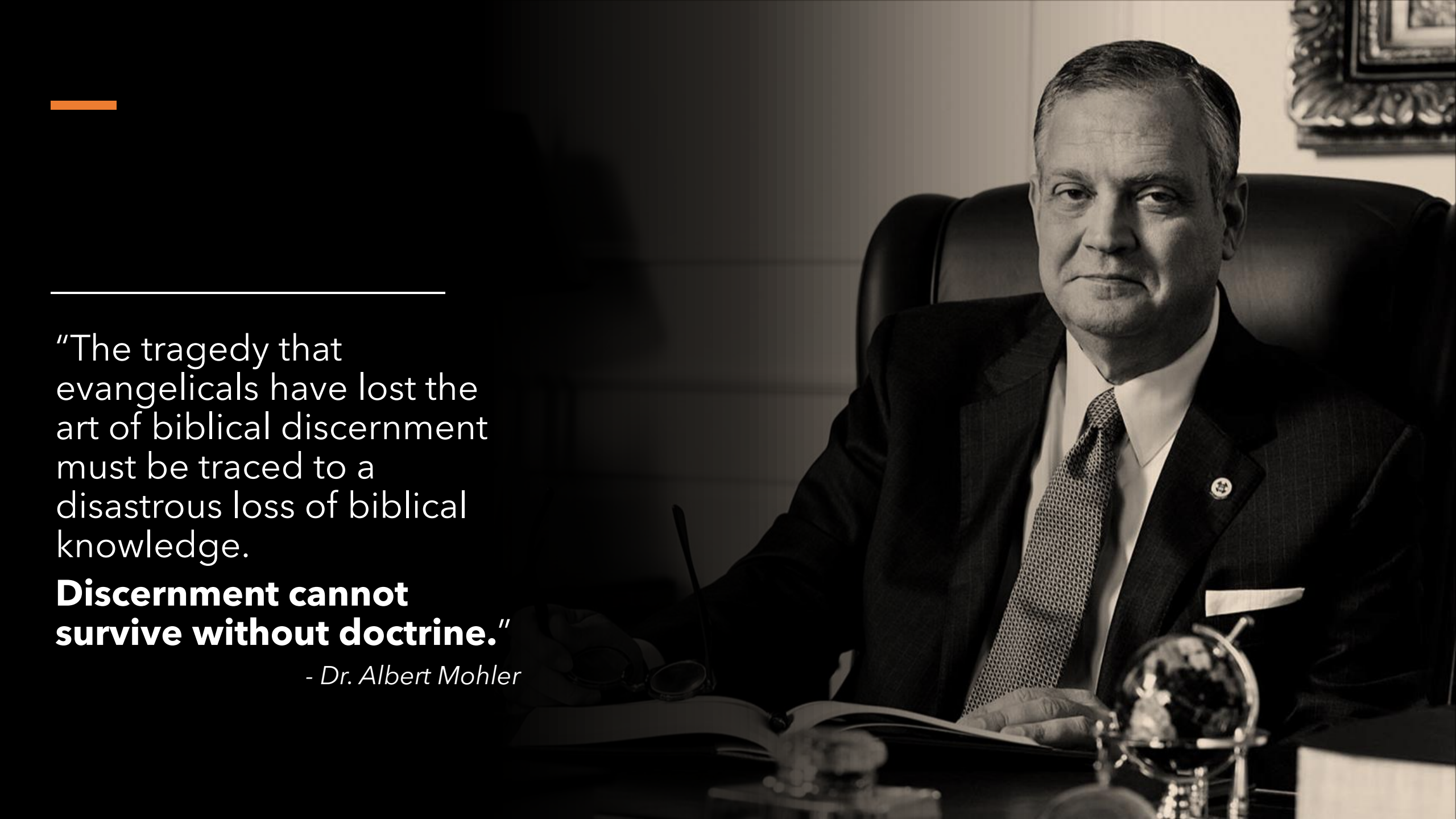
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- Genesis 3:5-6; Philippians 4:4, 6.

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- Colossians 2:8; 2 Cor. 11:3; Hebrews 5:14.



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- 1 Thessalonians 5:21-22; Acts 17:11; 1 John 4:1; Philippians 1:9-10; Romans 12:9; Titus 1:9.

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- 1 Corinthians 5:3-5.

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- 1 Corinthians 14:33, 40; Philippians 1:27.

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- Romans 16:25.



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