



Dragon Slayer

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Desire

It is created by “I want”

**Once I understand desire,
why can I not just stop?**





Pride

Positive:

1. A reasonable or justifiable self-respect
2. Delight or elation arising from some act, possession, or relationship

Negative: Inordinate self-esteem: CONCEIT





Pride

Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall.

Proverbs 16:18

Pride will lead to destruction

He tells us you can identify the negative pride by a "haughty spirit"





Pride

Haughty: blatantly and disdainfully proud: having or showing an attitude of superiority and contempt for people or things perceived to be inferior



“Eat and you can be like God”



The Pride Filled Dragon

Roman 1:21-25





Pride

Pride Begins with the Devaluing of God

For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him...

Pride always starts with removing God from
the equation

v. 21

To remove God from the equation
you must devalue him





Devaluing God

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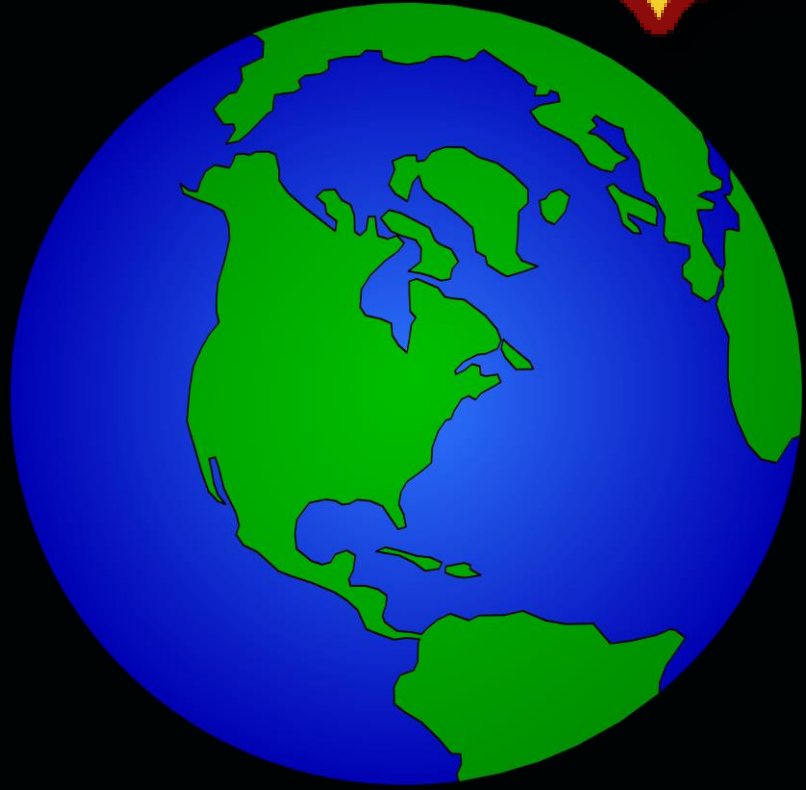
Deny what you know to be true

You stop acknowledging him as God

You become ungrateful



Always!





Devaluing God

Is the church copying the world?

Or is the world copying the church?

Could it be we unleashed the dragon because.....

We deny truth

We stopped allowing God to be God

We became ungrateful





Pride

Makes Us Ripe for Sin

But their thinking became futile, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images made to look like a mortal human being and birds and animals and reptiles.

v. 21-23





Pride

Makes Us Ripe for Sin

It effected their thinking (Futile)

It impacted their heart (Darkened)

The relationship focus changed (Physical)



**We become obsessed with our relationship within
our world**



Pride

Severs our relationship with God

Therefore, God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another. They exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator—who is forever praised.

Amen.

v. 24 -25





Pride

Severs our relationship with God

God is not interested in this relationship

You shall have no other gods before me

No man can serve two masters



**God allowed them to go, they did not even notice
he was gone.**



The Pride Filled Dragon Grew

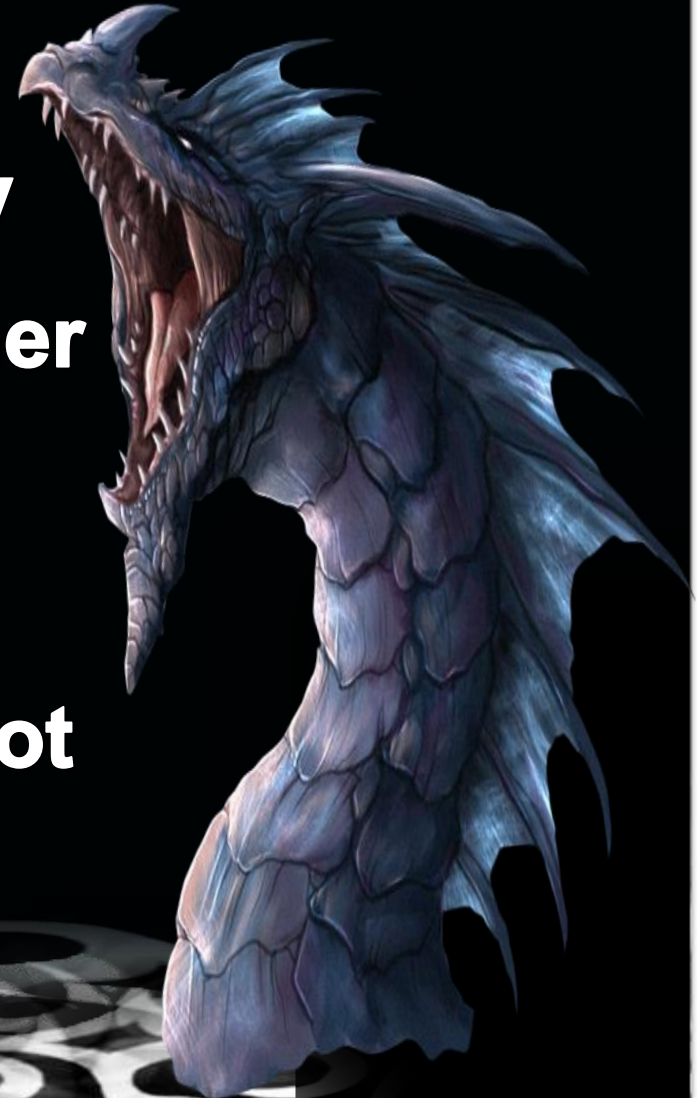
Their sinful desires became their focus

They became obsessed with their sexuality

They degraded their bodies with one another

**They no longer just rejected truth, they
embraced lies**

**They began to worship creation and not
the creator**





The Pride Filled Results

Roman 1:28-31



The Pride Filled Results



Society starts to fall apart

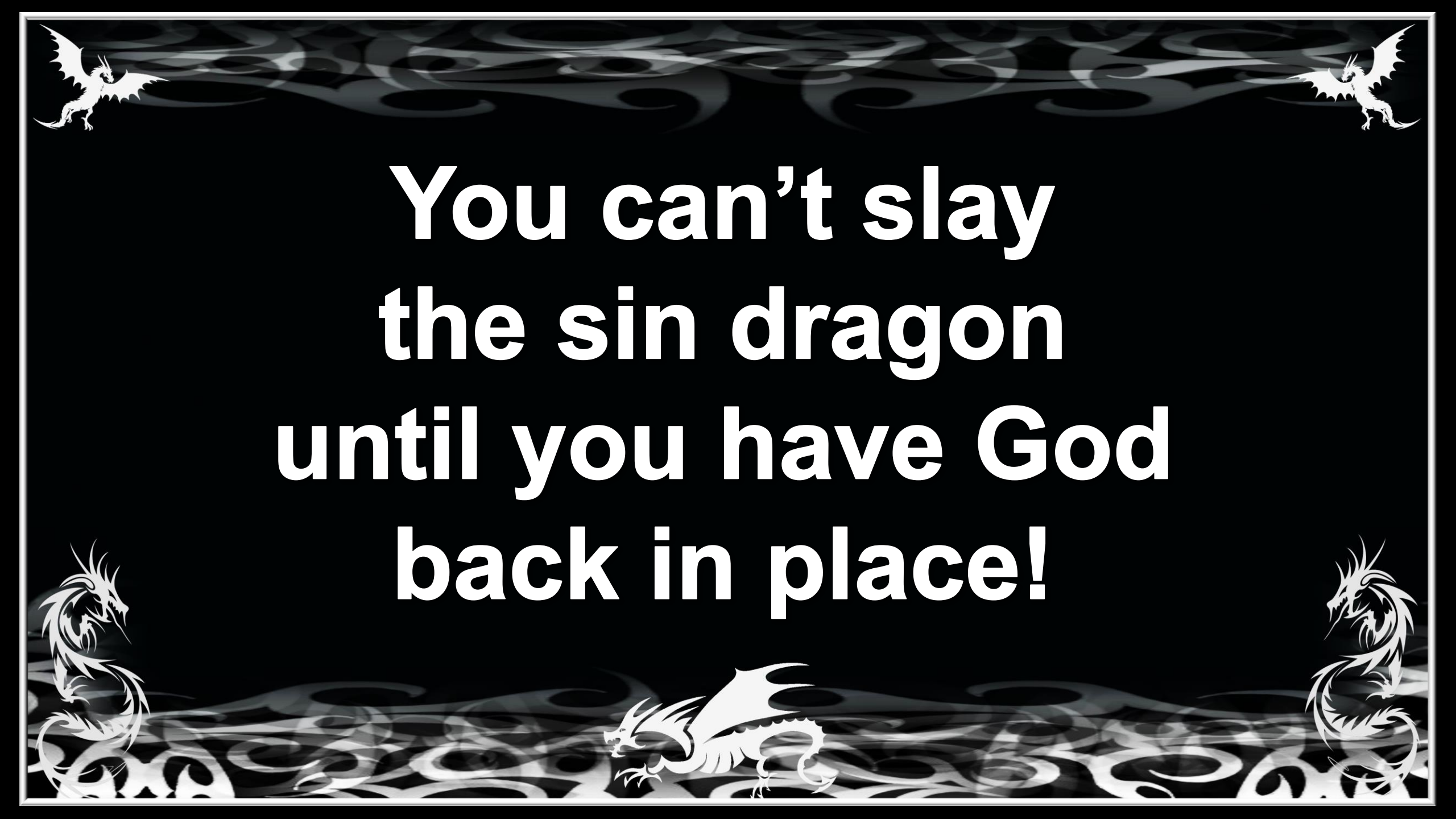
They went from no God for me to God is not allowed

Their minds become depraved The hearts grew darker


They invent ways of doing evil They disobey their parents

**They have no understanding, no fidelity, no love,
no mercy**





**You can't slay
the sin dragon
until you have God
back in place!**

A young boy with dark, curly hair and a worried expression is shown in a dark, rocky environment. He is wearing a blue, textured tunic. The background is dimly lit, showing large, dark rock formations. The overall mood is one of concern or fear.

What have we Done?



AMERICAN EAGLE CLOTHING STORES

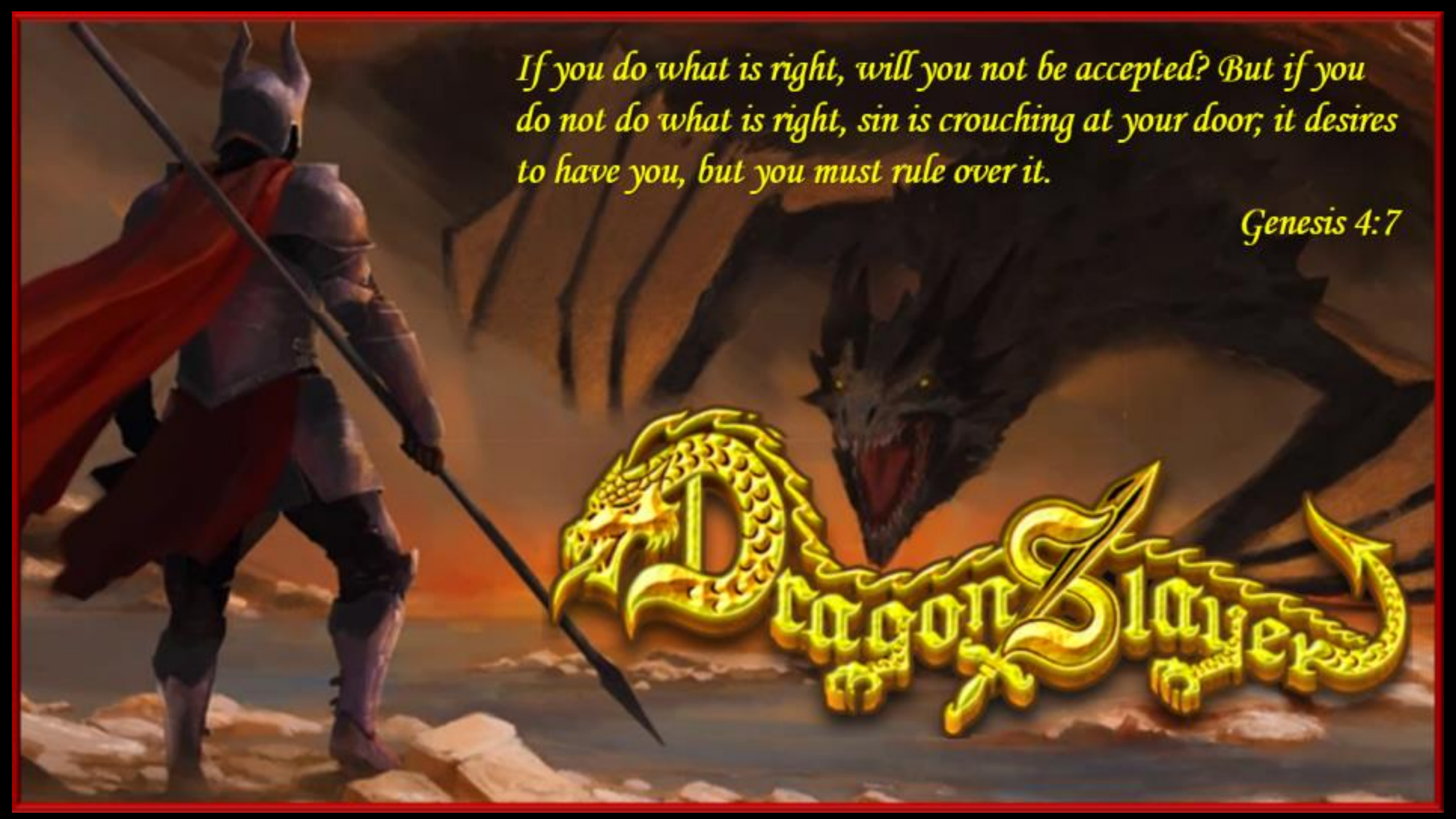
JOHN BAREILLES
WAITRESS
NOW PLAYING AT THE ROGUES ATROPHIC THEATRE

IT WOULD BE CRIMINAL TO MISS IT
CHICAGO
nuclear

more...
La esperanza de México

YOU MUST BE
BORN
AGAIN
JOHN 3:1-21

What are willing
To Do?



If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must rule over it.

Genesis 4:7