

On July 12, 2022, the U.S. Department of Education published in the Federal Register a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to rewrite Title IX to expand the law's scope, without Congressional approval, to include sexual orientation and gender identity. This will effect parental rights, children's well-being, First Amendment rights, and girls' privacy, safety, and sports opportunities.

Concerned citizens have till September 12, 2022 to comment.

[www.childparentrights.org](http://www.childparentrights.org)

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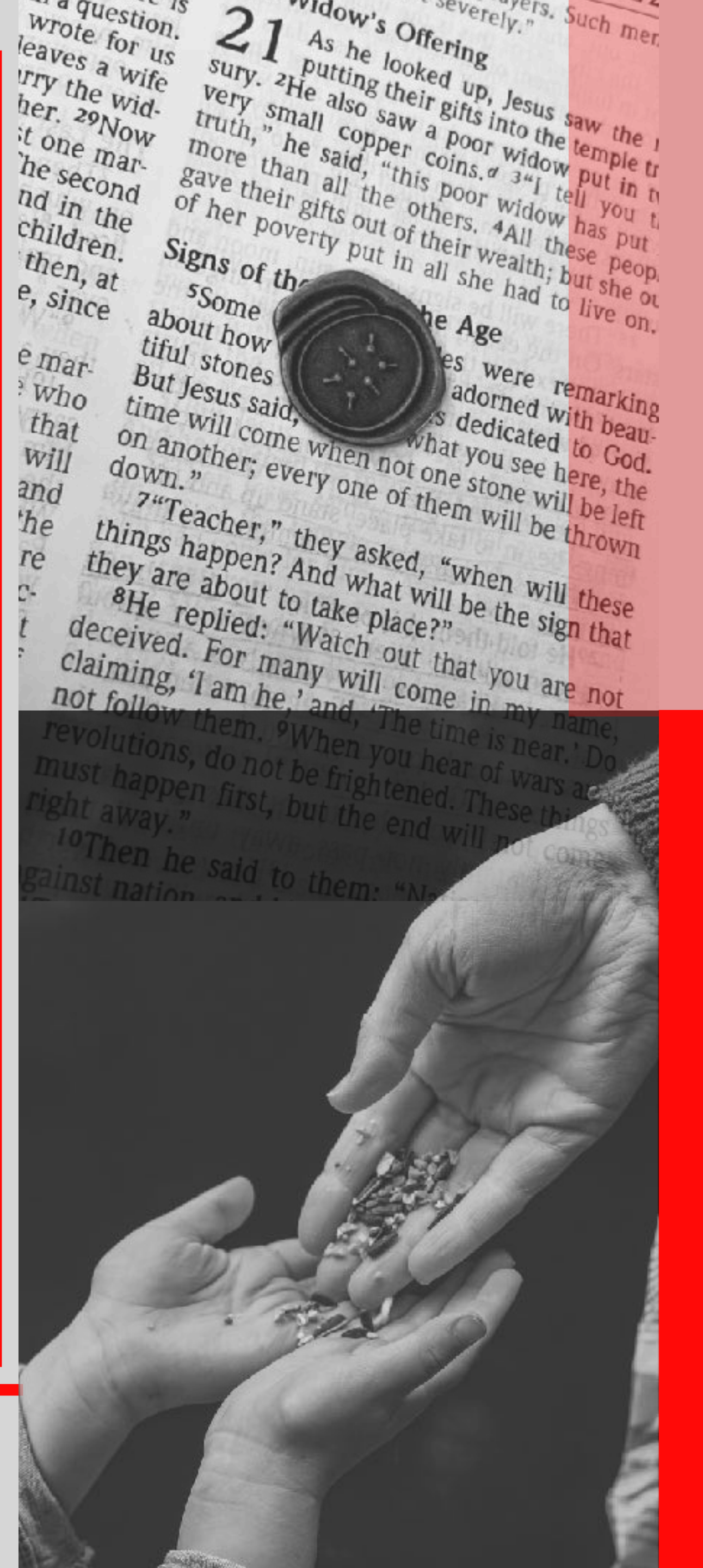
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Giving is good... and the transformation of lives through love requires our generosity, not our convenience.

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**Widow's Offering**  
21 As he looked up, Jesus saw the  
putting their gifts into the temple tr  
sury. 2He also saw a poor widow put in t  
very small copper coins. 3"I tell you t  
truth," he said, "this poor widow has put  
more than all the others. 4All these peop  
gave their gifts out of their wealth; but she ot  
of her poverty put in all she had to live on.

**Signs of the Age**  
5Some were remarking  
about how adorned with beau-  
tiful stones. But Jesus said, "what you see here, the  
time will come when not one stone will be left  
on another; every one of them will be thrown  
down."  
7"Teacher," they asked, "when will these  
things happen? And what will be the sign that  
they are about to take place?"  
8He replied: "Watch out that you are not  
deceived. For many will come in my name,  
claiming, 'I am he,' and, 'The time is near.' Do  
not follow them. 9When you hear of wars ac-  
cording to the word of the Lord, do not be frightened. These things  
must happen first, but the end will not come  
right away."  
10Then he said to them: "No  
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(n.) Abundantly giving; Freedom from meanness, smallness of mind or character.

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“Generosity: the moral orientation to freely give and to be concerned about the welfare of others.”

Pastor A.R. Bernard

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“Christ died on the cross on my behalf. It is like I died there with him. So I do not live my own life anymore. **Instead, Christ lives in me. The life that I live now in my body, I live because I trust what he has done for me. He has loved me so much that he died on my behalf.**”

Galatians 2:20 (Easy English Bible 2018)



“He saves us so that now **we can do good things in our lives**. Those are good things he has already prepared for us to do.”

Ephesians 2:10 (Easy English Bible 2018)

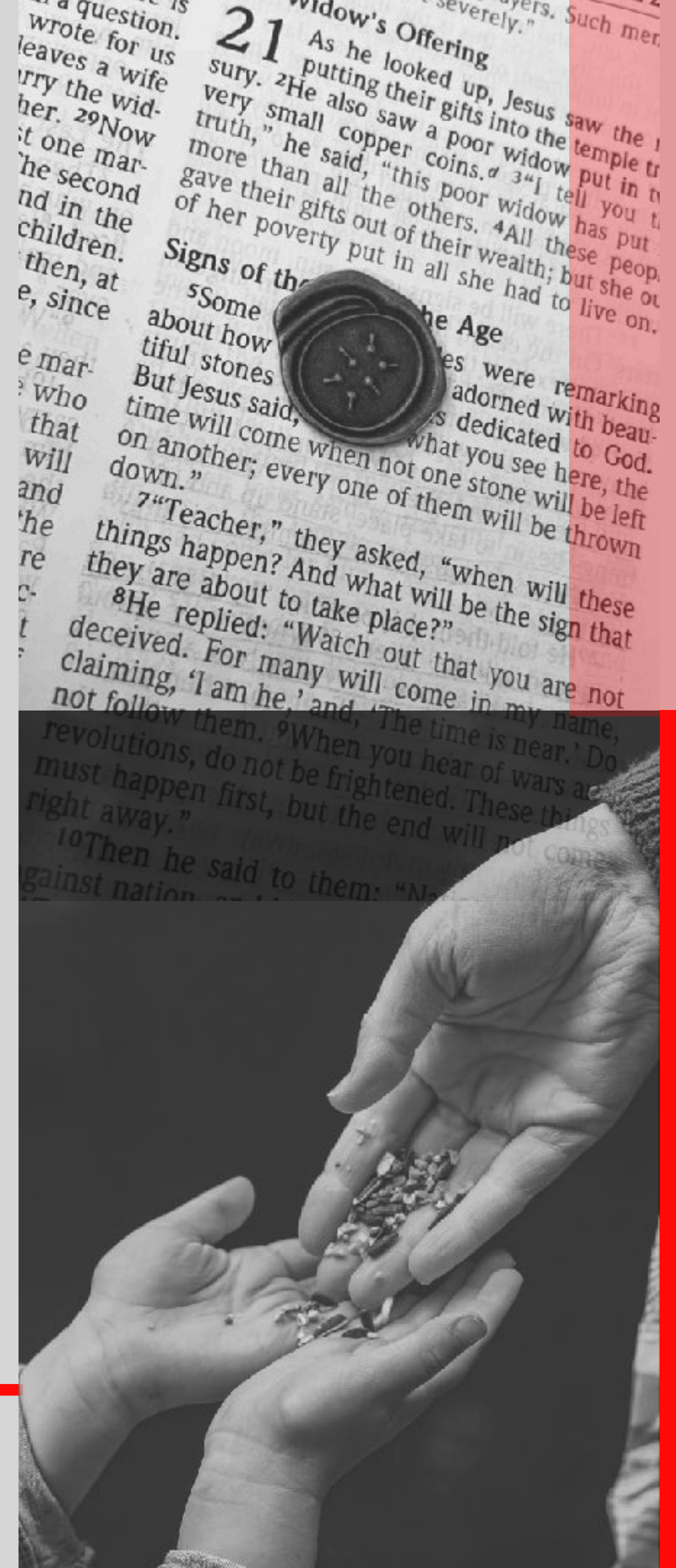


**“Lead a life worthy of your calling,  
for you have been called by God.”**

**Ephesians 4:1 (New Living Translation)**

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**“If people can’t see what God is doing, they stumble all over themselves; But when they attend to what he reveals, they are most blessed.”**

**Proverbs 29:18 MSG**

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“I have shown people here on the earth how great you are. In that way, I have **finished the work** that you gave to me to do.”

John 17:4 Easy English Bible



I hope we will be radically generous people, who faithfully witness our trust in Jesus and His loving, generous disposition.



# General Purpose Identified in the Bible:

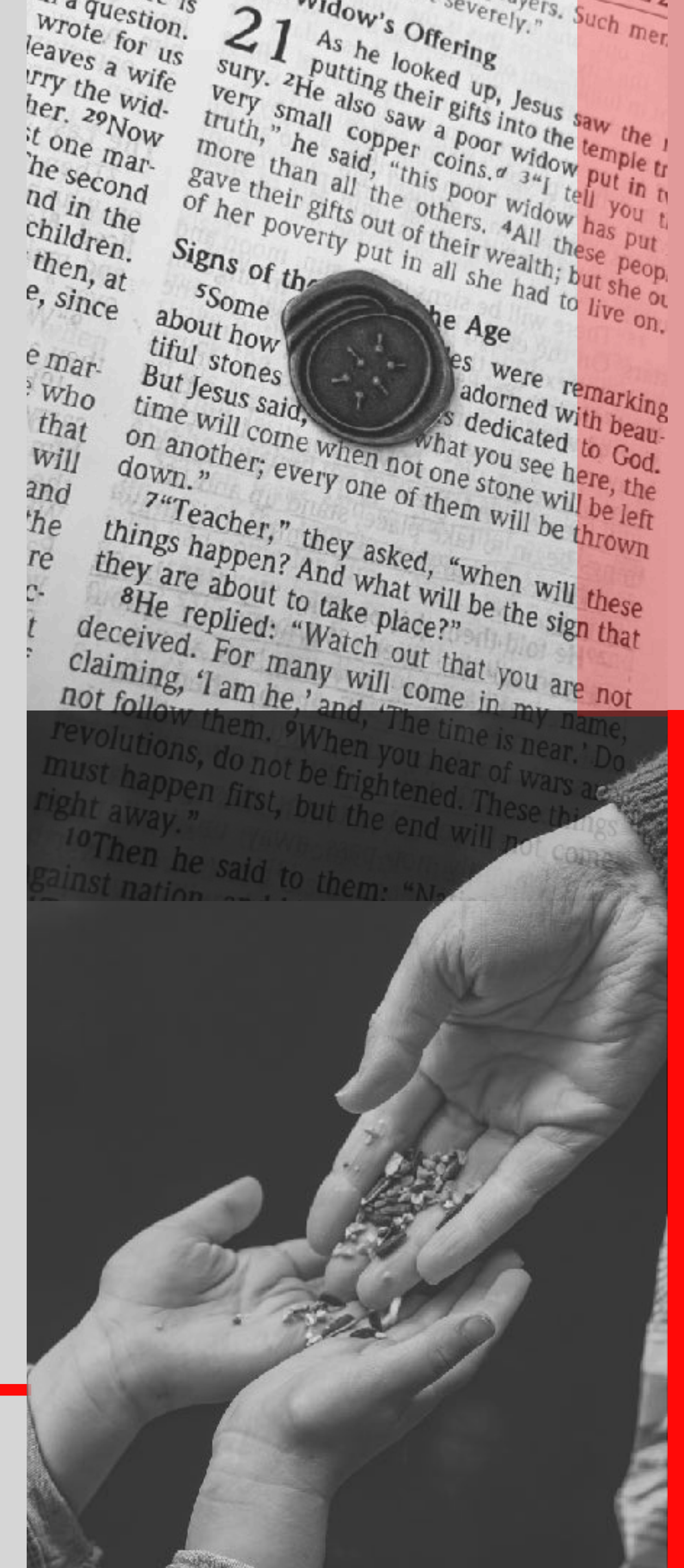
1. Love God, neighbor, and enemies.
2. Walk humbly. Do justly.
3. Be kind.
4. Do the works of God.
5. Repent and believe.
6. Give thanks.



# 1. Purpose and Identity - Ephesians 2:1-10

<b>Without Jesus</b>	<b>With Jesus</b>
<b>Dead in our sins</b>	<b>Made alive and saved</b>
<b>Sinful lifestyle</b>	<b>Raised and seated</b>
<b>Influenced by the world and evil spirits</b>	<b>Workmanship</b>
	<b>Good works lifestyle</b>

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“Let Jesus form your identity. Do not let culture deform your identity.”

Pastor Derwin Gray

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## 2. Purpose and Gifts - 1 Corinthians 12:7; Romans 12:6

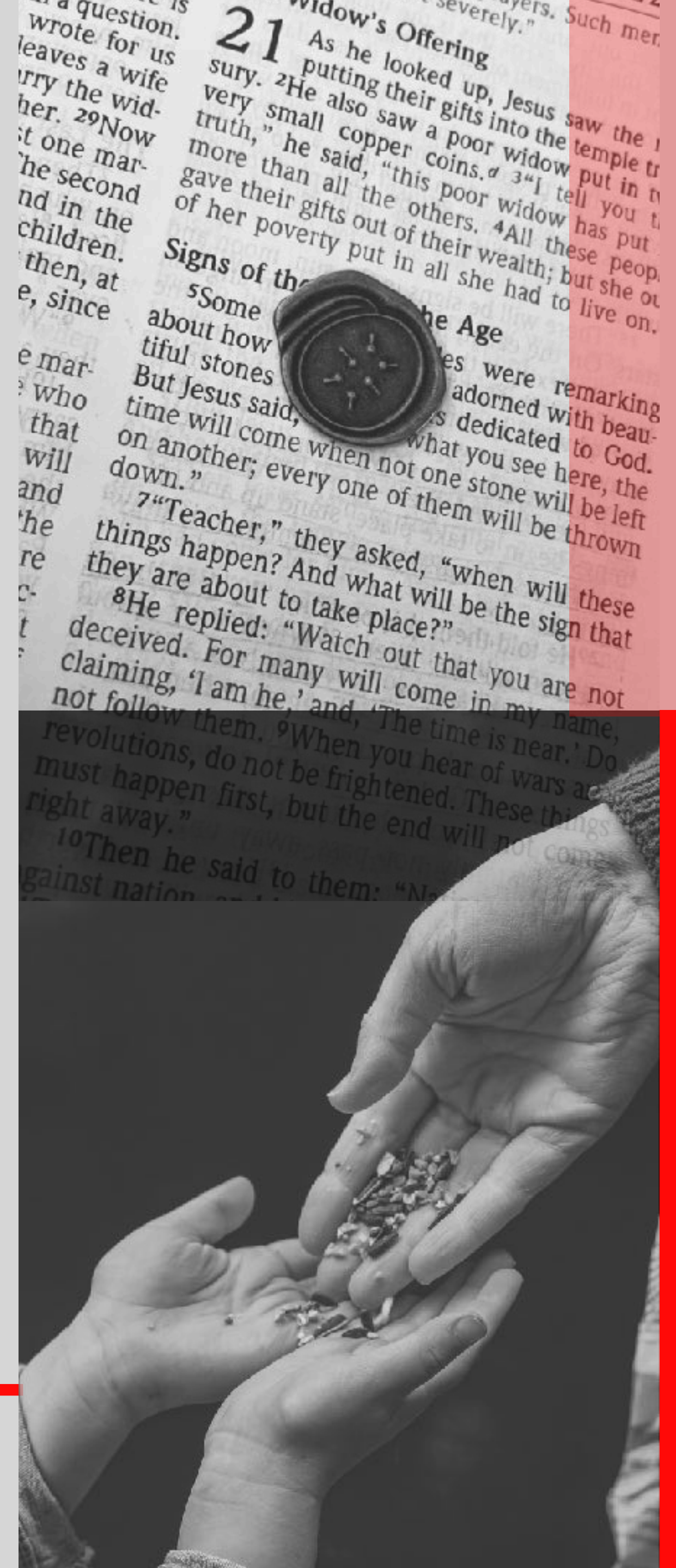
- \* Natural Passions and Talents
- \* Training/Mentoring
- \* Networking
- \* Spiritual Gifts
- \* Faith
- \* Vocational Opportunities
- \* Kairos Moments



# 3. Purpose and Circumstances - James 1:2-4

Don't be surprised when your gifts attract problems.

People are inspired by our actions more than our opinions.





# Three Tools of the Accuser:

1. Guilt (I'm not forgiven.)
2. Condemnation (I'm not saved.)
3. Shame (I'm bad.)



“If the church is to be [relevant] in supporting the care and cure of souls, we must equip and encourage people to offer themselves to others in relationships.”

- David Benner, Sacred Companions, page 19



# A Call to Action:

1. Enroll in Gateway School of Transformation
2. Join a Gateway Group
3. Visit [destinyfinder.com](http://destinyfinder.com)
4. Find Your Fit
5. Pray and Step into Opportunities

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