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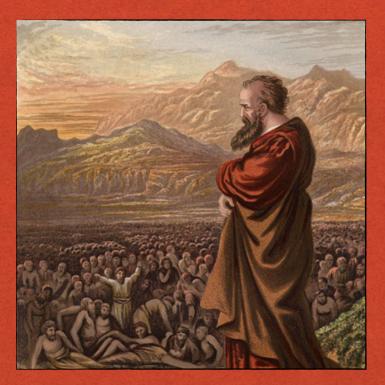
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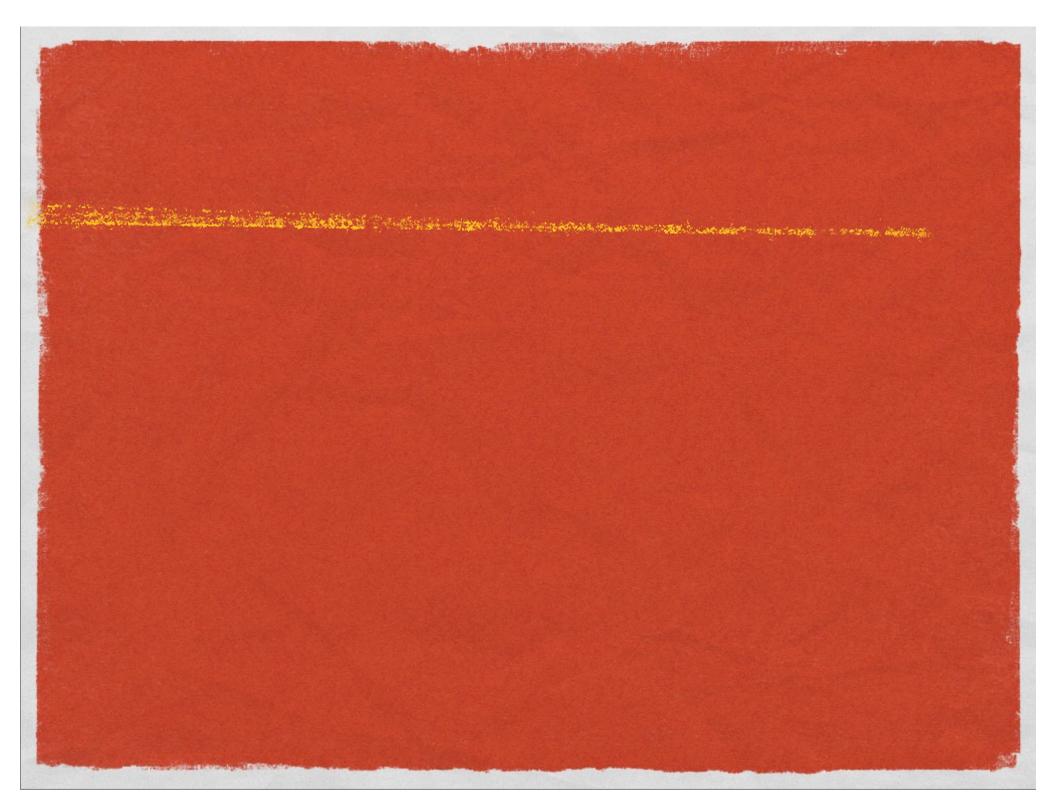
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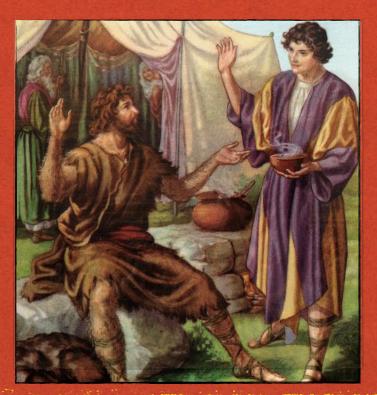
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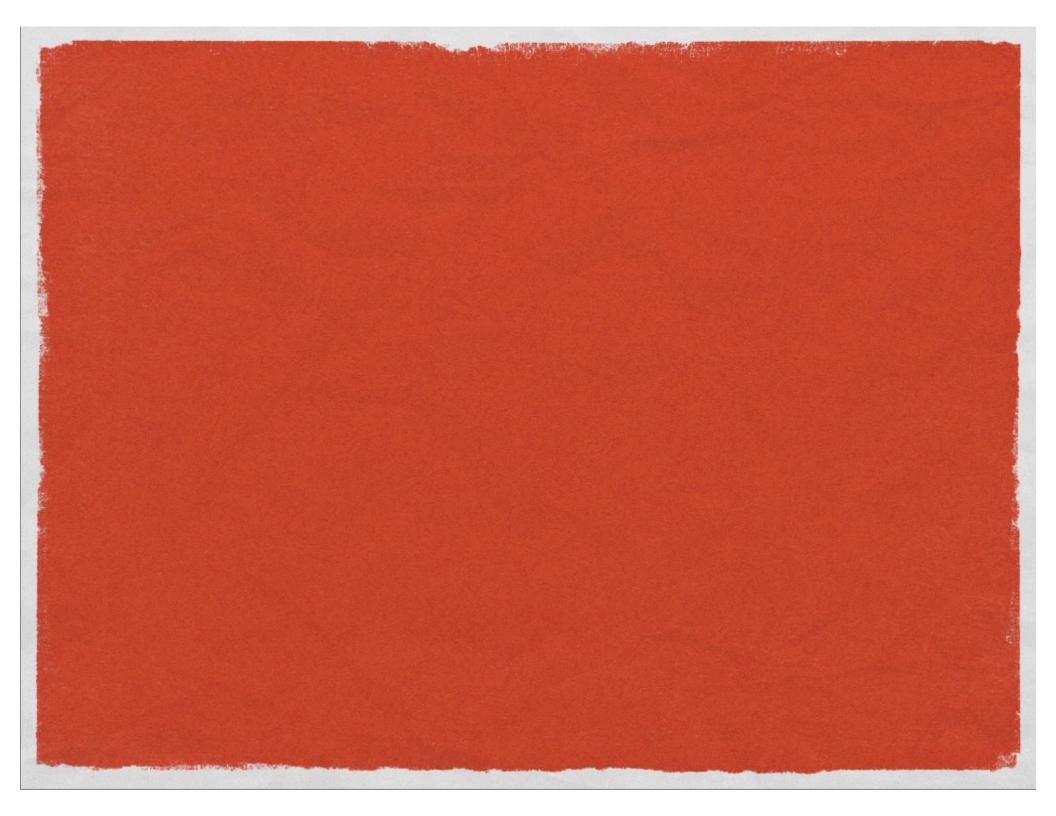
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For you know that even afterwards, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no place for repentance, though he sought for it with tears."

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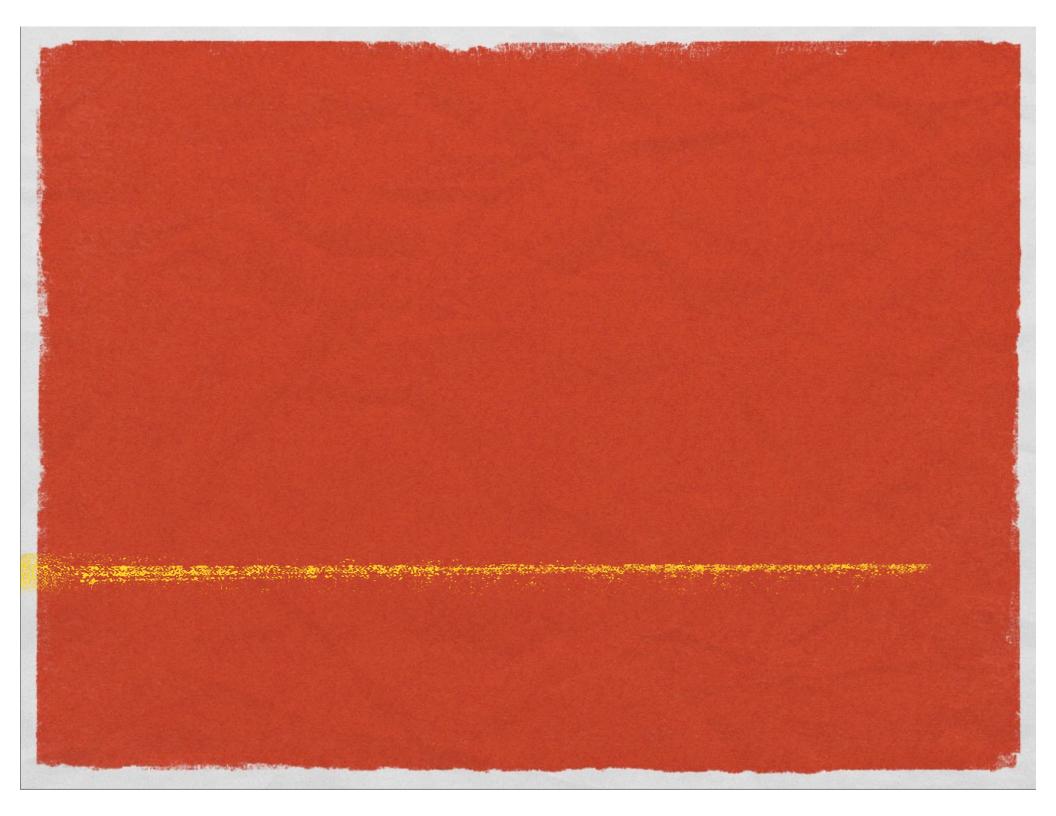
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### # 3- The Reckoning:

**Ezekiel 35:3-4a** "and say to it, 'Thus says the Lord God, "Behold, I am against you, Mount Seir, And I will stretch out My hand against you And make you a desolation and a waste. "I will lay waste your cities And you will become a desolation."

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Any examples of God's Judgment that you can think of that would help us picture this 'desolation'?

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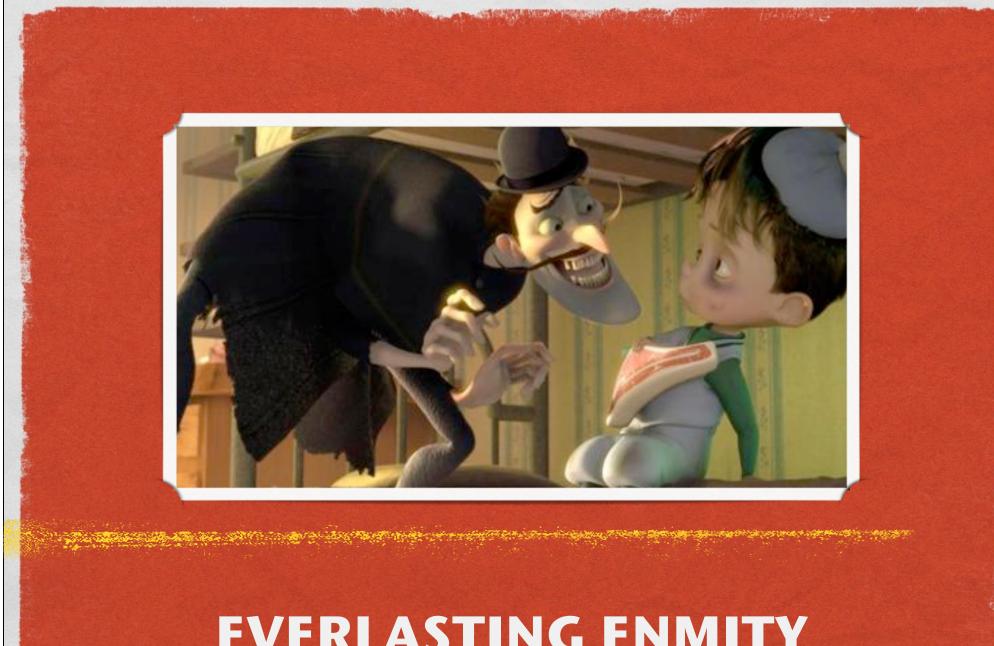
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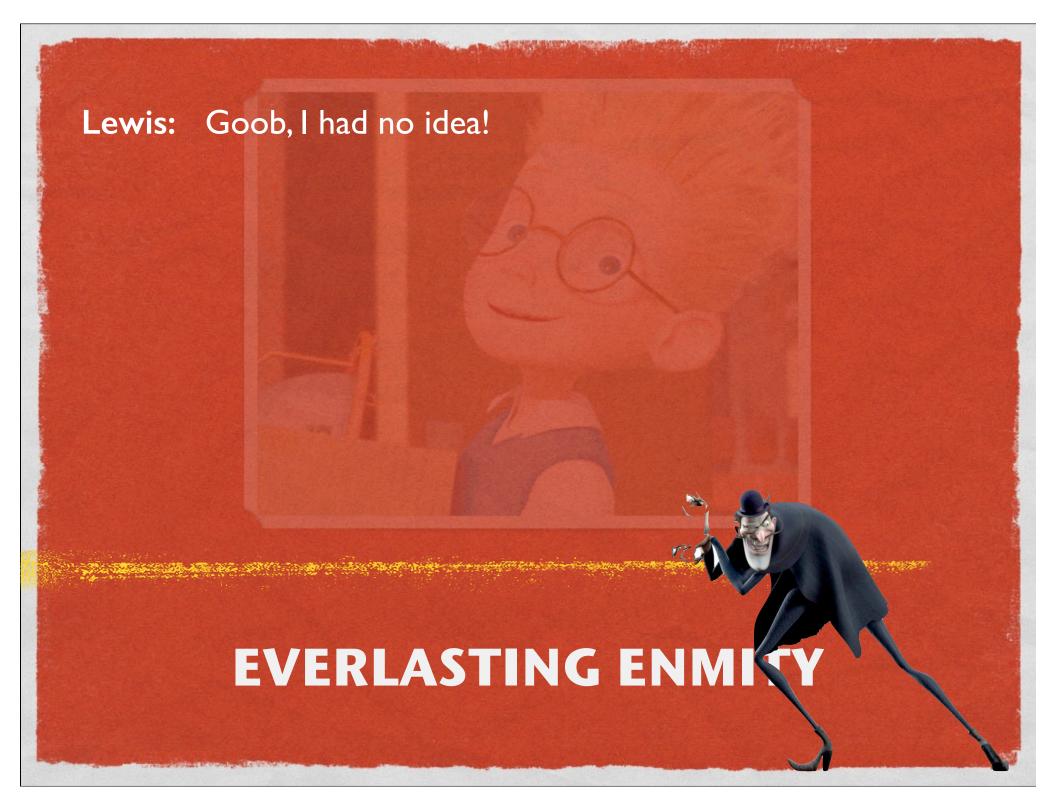
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Bowler Hat Guy: Hmm, let's see..take responsibility for my own life or blame you? Ding, ding, ding! 'Blame you' wins hands down!

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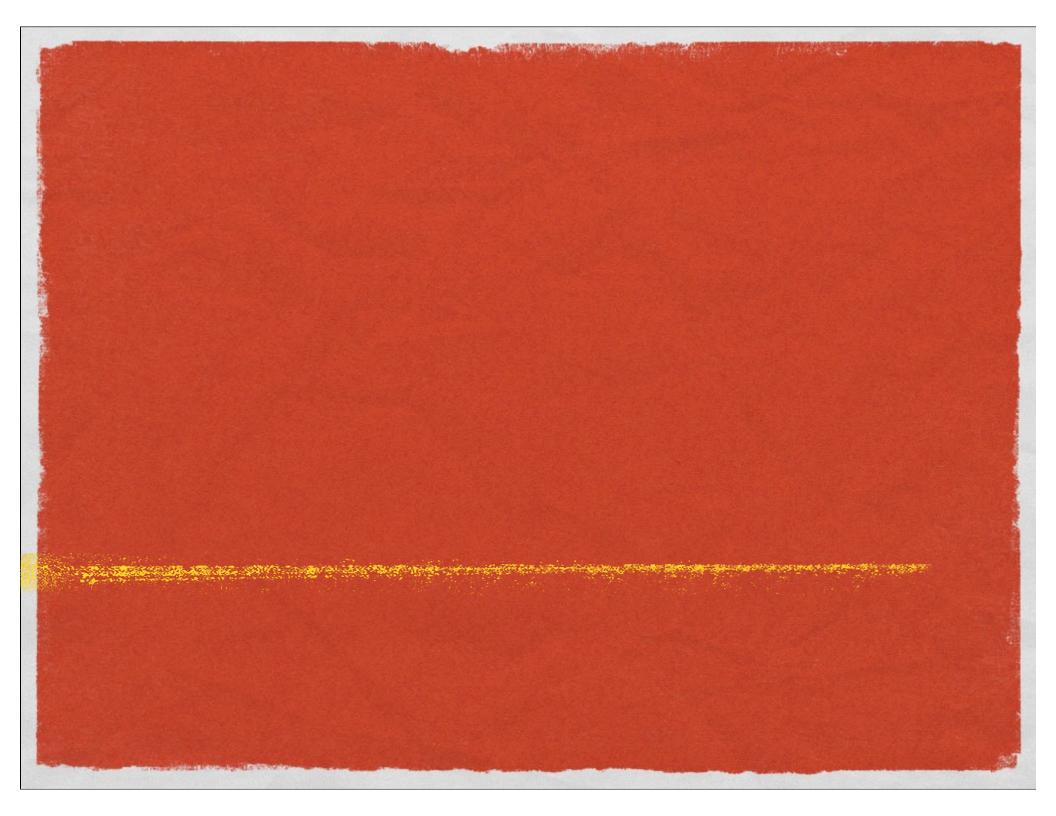
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