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The Quest for the Meaning of Life

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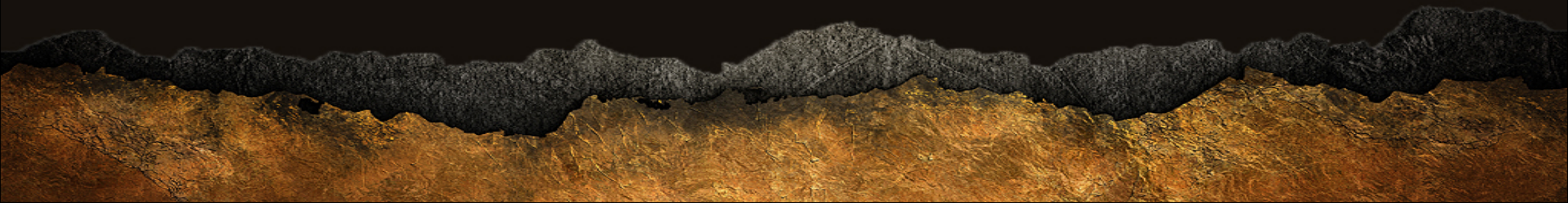
The Life & Writings of Solomon

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Theme:

The Vanity of Life in a Fallen World



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B. The Issue (2–3)

C. The Initial Evidence (4–11)

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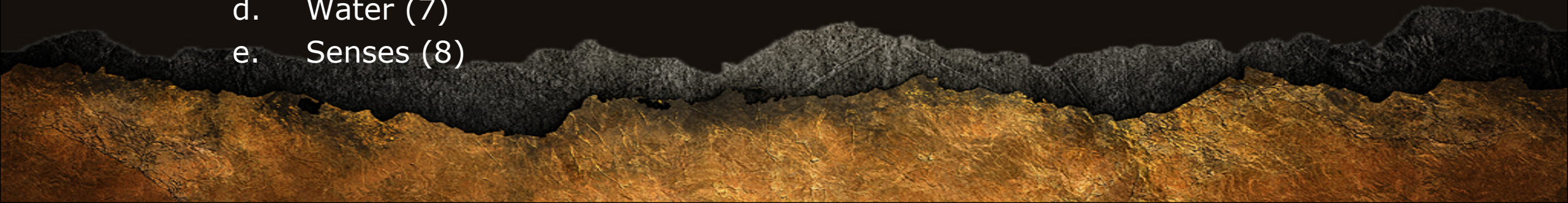
a. People (4)

b. Sun (5)

c. Wind (6)

d. Water (7)

e. Senses (8)



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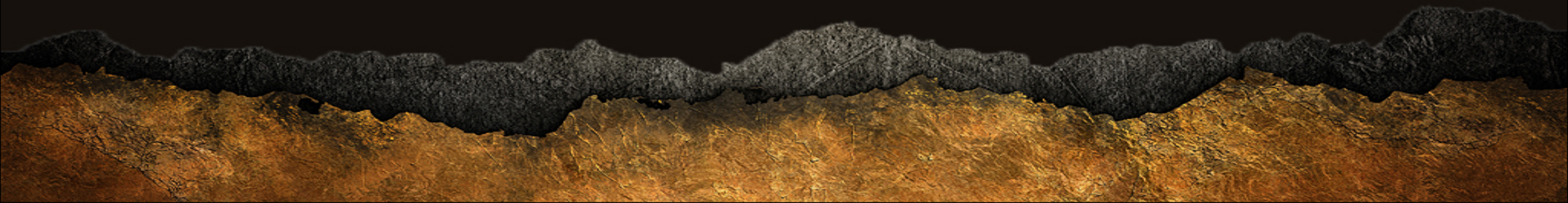
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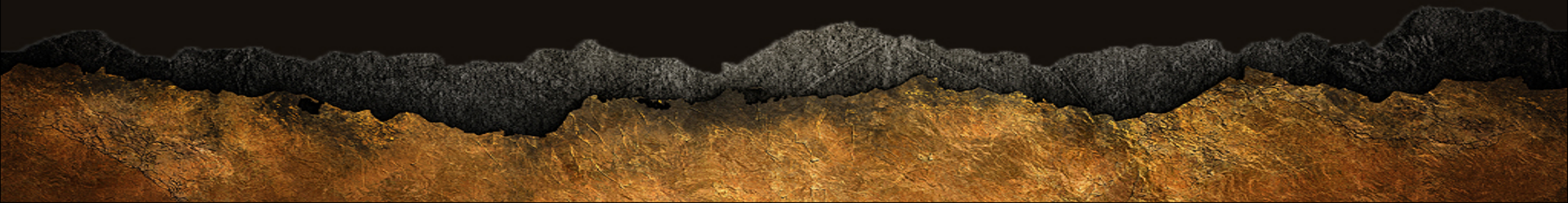
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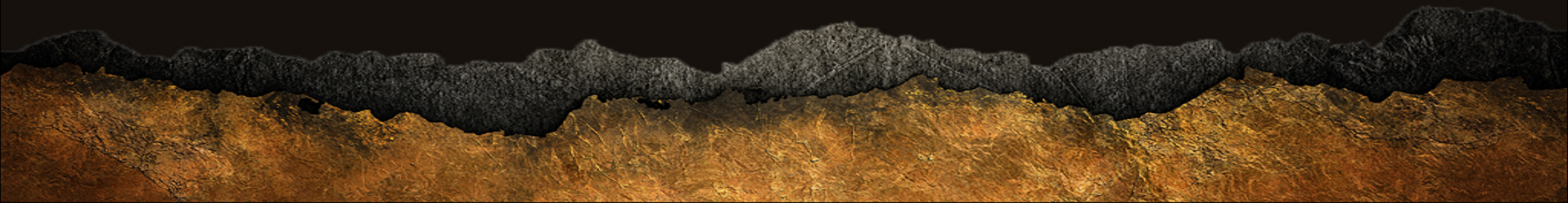
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3. The Vanity of Work (2:18–26)

