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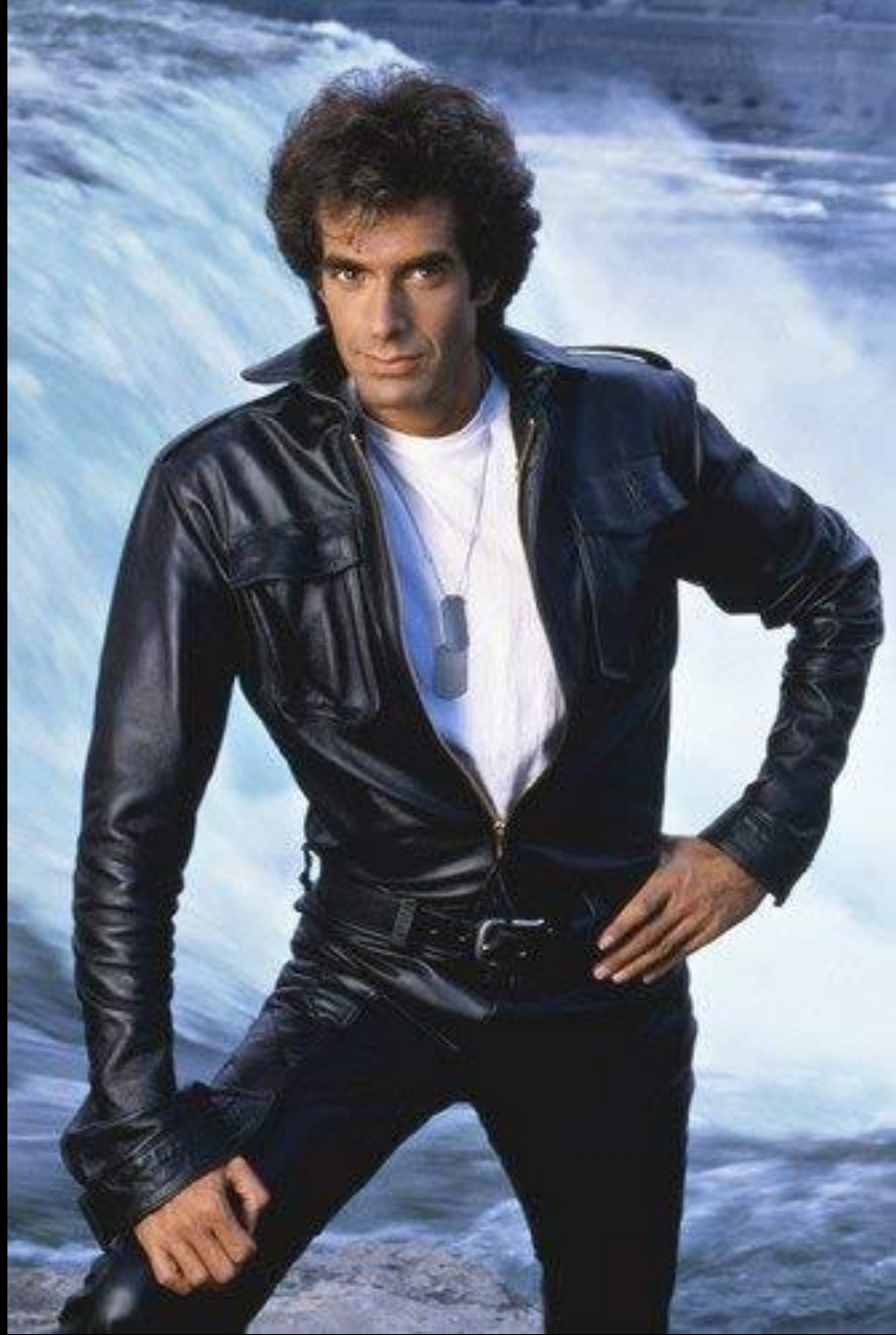








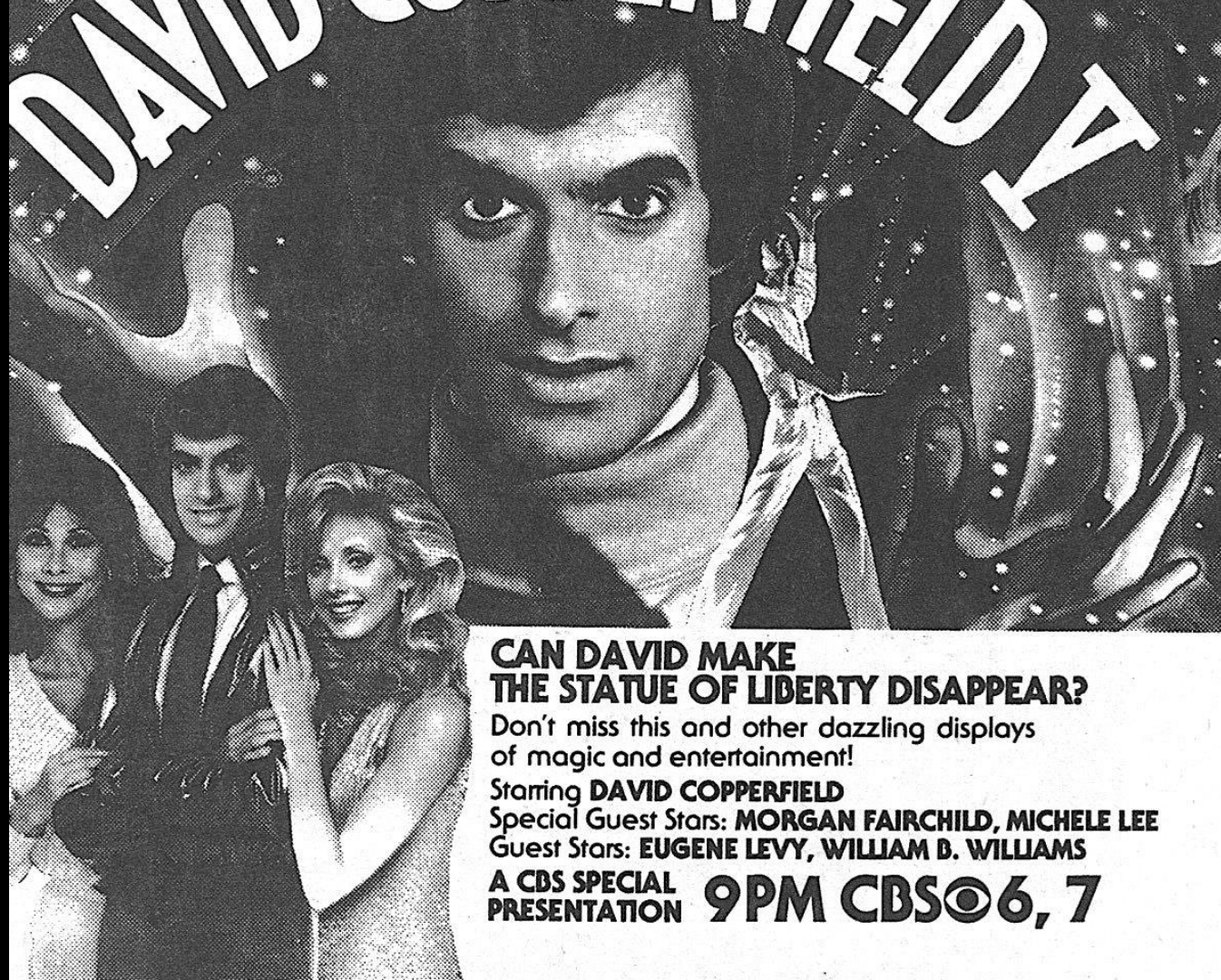




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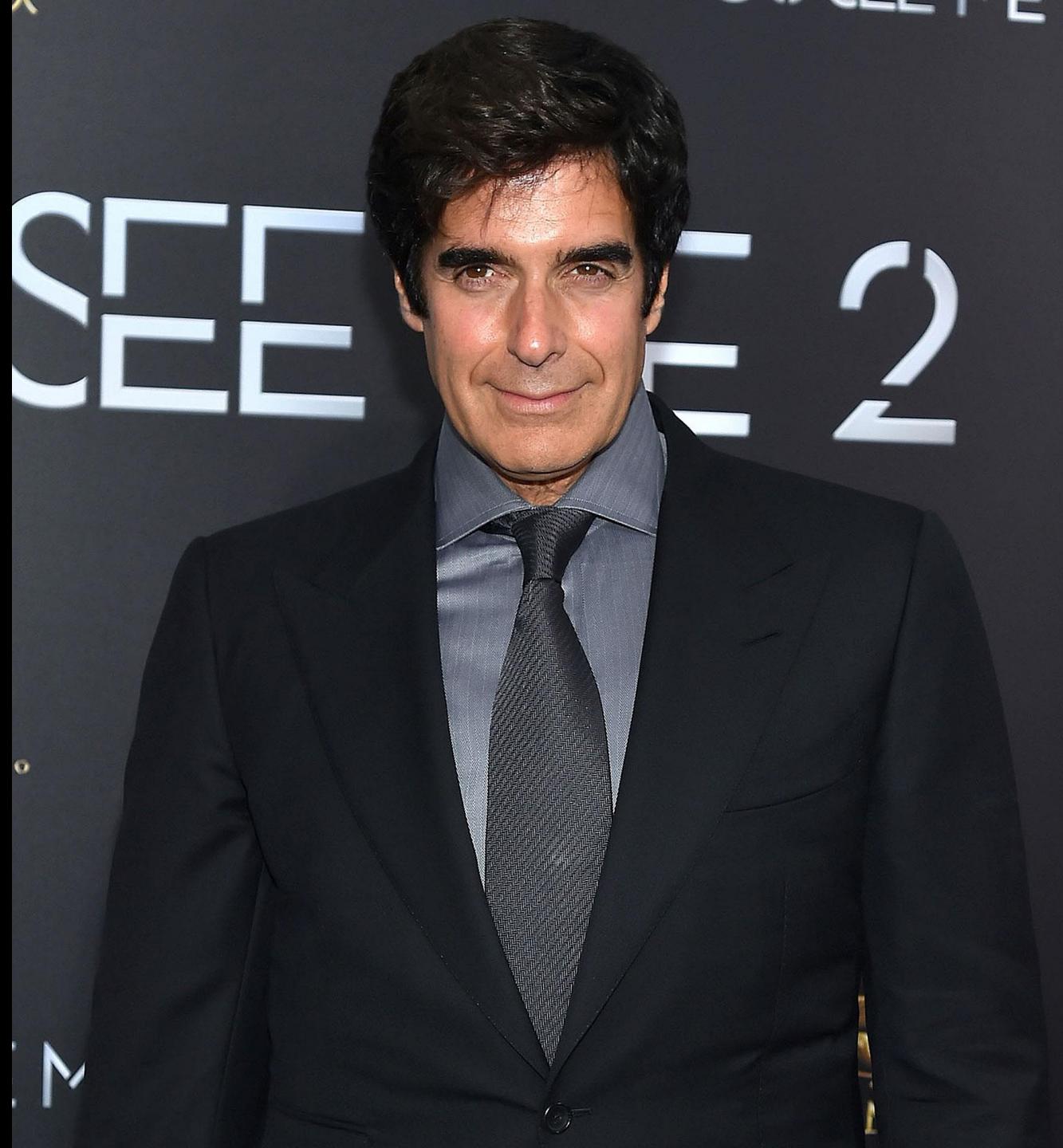














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Matthew 2:1-12 (ESV): “Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, **2** saying, ‘Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.’ **3** When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; **4** and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born....”

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“...5 They told him, ‘In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet: 6 “And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.”’ 7 Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. 8 And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, ‘Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him.’...”

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“...9 After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. 10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. 11 And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. 12 And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.”

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NOT WHO YOU THINK WE ARE.

**MAIN
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Acts 13:6-8 (ESV): “When they had gone through the whole island as far as Paphos, they came upon a certain **magician**, a Jewish false prophet named Bar-Jesus. **7** He was with the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, a man of intelligence, who summoned Barnabas and Saul and sought to hear the word of God. **8** But Elymas the **magician** (for that is the meaning of his name) opposed them, seeking to turn the proconsul away from the faith.”

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“In the previous part of my work I have often indeed refuted the fraudulent lies of the Magi, whenever the subject and the occasion required it, and I shall continue to expose them....[Their practice} first arose from medicine, and that professing to promote health it insidiously advanced under the disguise of a higher and holier system;...”

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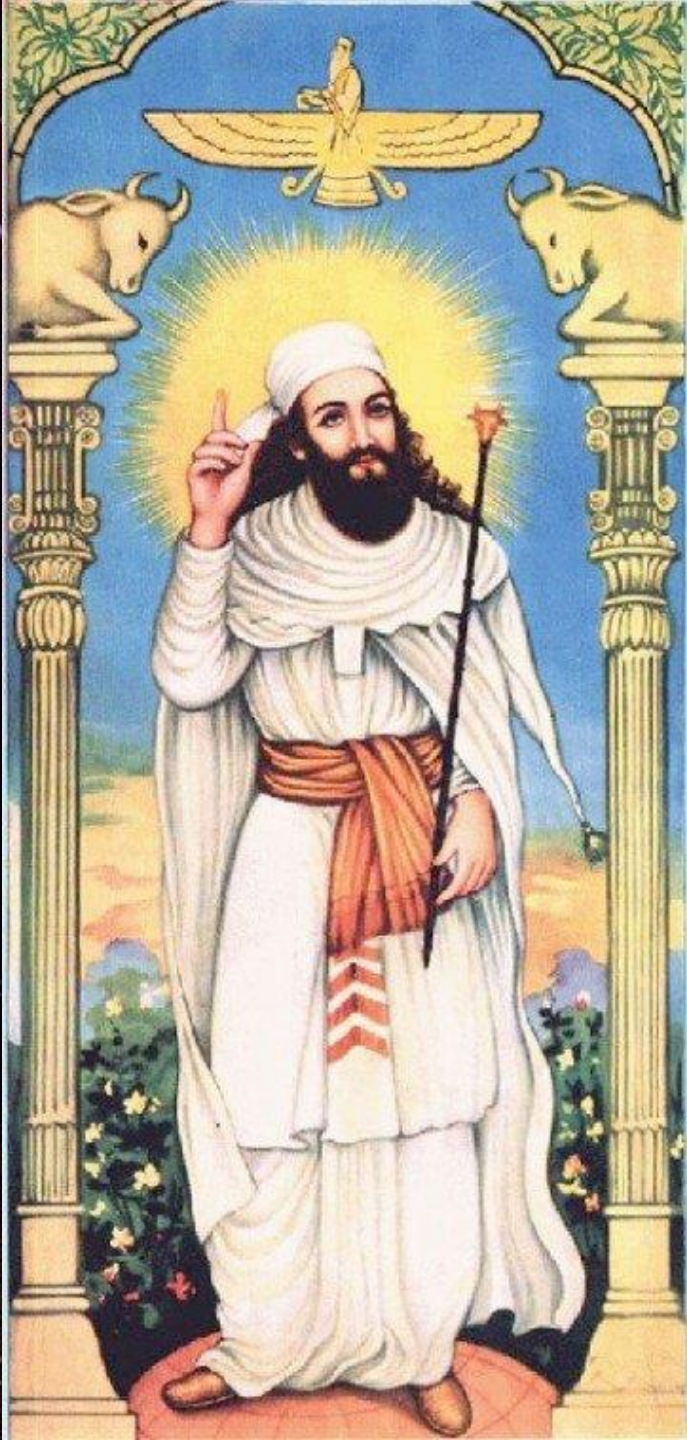
“...that to the most seductive and welcome promises it added the powers of religion, about which even today the human race is quite in the dark; that again meeting with success it made a further addition of astrology, because there is nobody who is not eager to learn his destiny, or who does not believe that the truest account of it is that gained by watching the skies....”

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“...[I]t has sway over a great part of mankind, and in the East commands the kings of kings. This monstrous craft [is] infecting the whole world...[They] divine from water, globes, air, stars, lamps, basins and axes, and by many other methods, and besides to converse with ghosts and those in the underworld...It is detestable, vain, and idle, even if it has certain shadows of truth.

(From Pliny's *Natural History*, Book 30,
Chapters 1 and 2)

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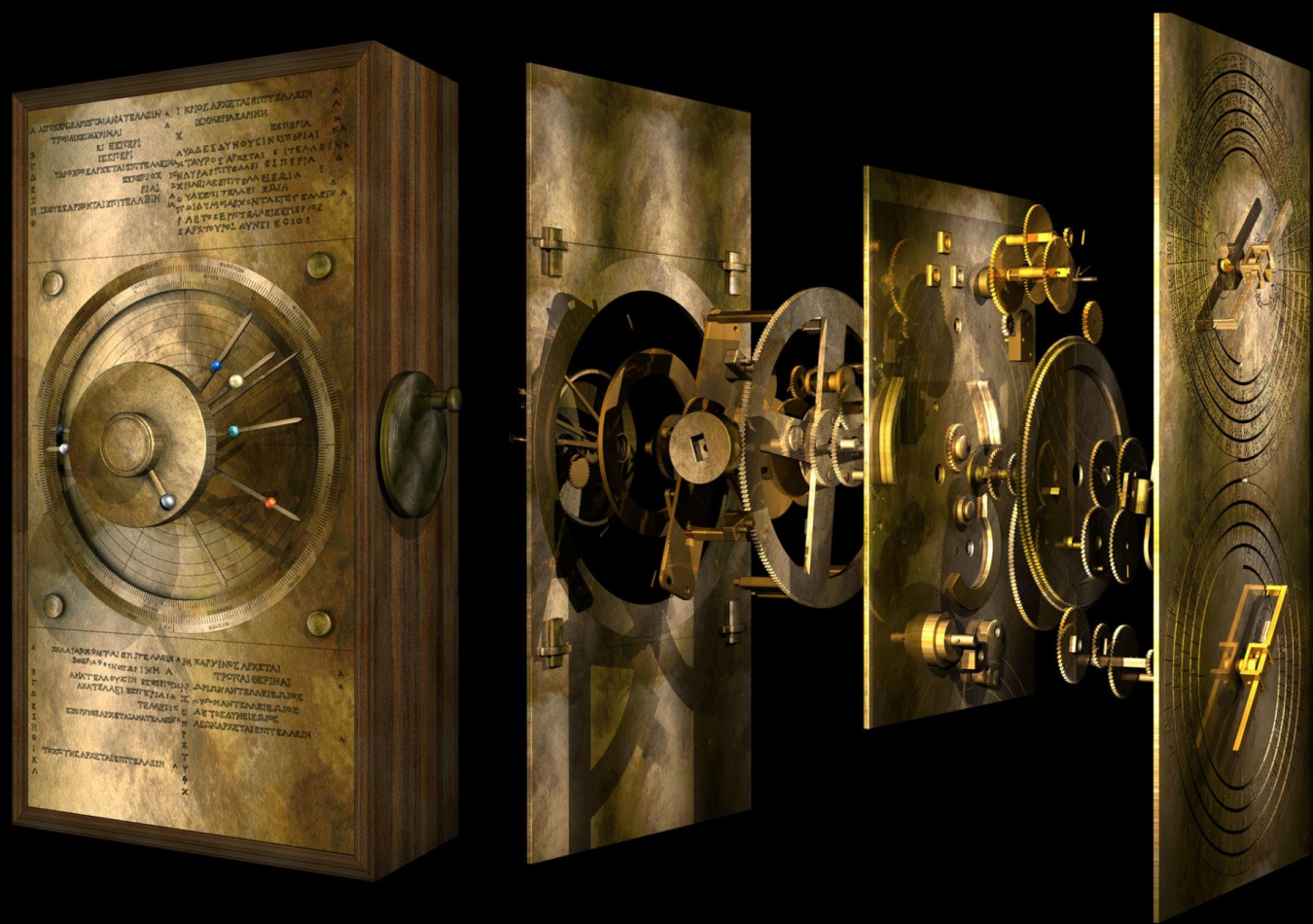
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Isaiah 47:13-14 (NIV): “Let your astrologers come forward, those stargazers who make predictions month by month, let them save you from what is coming upon you. 14 Surely they are like stubble; the fire will burn them up. They cannot even save themselves from the power of the flame.”

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Deuteronomy 18:9-12 (ESV): “When you come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you, you shall not learn to follow the abominable practices of those nations. **10** There shall not be found among you anyone who burns his son or his daughter as an offering, anyone who practices divination or tells fortunes or interprets omens, or a sorcerer **11** or a charmer or a medium or a necromancer or one who inquires of the dead, **12** for whoever does these things is an abomination to the LORD.”

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Isaiah 60:3, 5-6 (ESV): “And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising...5 Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and exult...6 A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall bring good news, the praises of the LORD.”

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Isaiah 55:1, 5 (ESV): “Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price....5 Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.”

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Luke 15:1-2 (ESV): “Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. 2 And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, ‘This man receives sinners and eats with them.’”

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John 6:37-40 (ESV): “All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out.

38 For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. **39** And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. **40** For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.”

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1 Timothy 1:15-16 (ESV): “The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. **16** But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life.”

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Luke 15;18-23 (ESV): “I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned againsts heaven and before you. **19** I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.’ **20** And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed...” him.

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“...**21** And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ **22** But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. **23** And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. **24** For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’”

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Hebrews 4:15-16 (ESV): “For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.

16 Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of **THIS MAGI MOMENT** ✨

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