

Now faith is the assurance
of things hoped for, the
conviction of things
not seen.

Hebrews 11:1



Consider His

Birth

Luke 1, 2



26 Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city in Galilee called Nazareth, **27** to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the descendants of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. **28** And coming in, he said to her, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you."

Luke 1

29 But she was very perplexed at this statement, and kept pondering what kind of salutation this was. **30** The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; for you have found favor with God. **31** "And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name Him Jesus.

Luke 1

32 "He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David; **33** and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and His kingdom will have no end." **34** Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?"

Luke 1

35 The angel answered and said to her,
"The Holy Spirit will come upon you,
and the power of the Most High will
overshadow you; and for that reason the
holy Child shall be called the Son of God.

36 "And behold, even your relative
Elizabeth has also conceived a son in her
old age;

Luke 1

and she who was called barren is now in her sixth month. **37** "For nothing will be impossible with God." **38** And Mary said, "Behold, the bonds slave of the Lord; may it be done to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

Luke 1



Behold God's
Power.

Luke 1:26-38



39 Now at this time Mary arose and went in a hurry to the hill country, to a city of Judah, **40** and entered the house of Zacharias and greeted Elizabeth. **41** When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb;

Luke 1

and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. **42** And she cried out with a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! **43** "And how has it happened to me, that the mother of my Lord would come to me?

Luke 1

44 "For behold, when the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby leaped in my womb for joy. **45** "And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what had been spoken to her by the Lord."

Luke 1

Behold Our

Joy.

Luke 1:39-45



8 In the same region there were some shepherds staying out in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night. **9** And an angel of the Lord suddenly stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were terribly frightened.

Luke 2



10 But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; **11** for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. **12** "This will be a sign for you: you will

Luke 2

find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." **13** And suddenly there appeared with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, **14** "Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased."

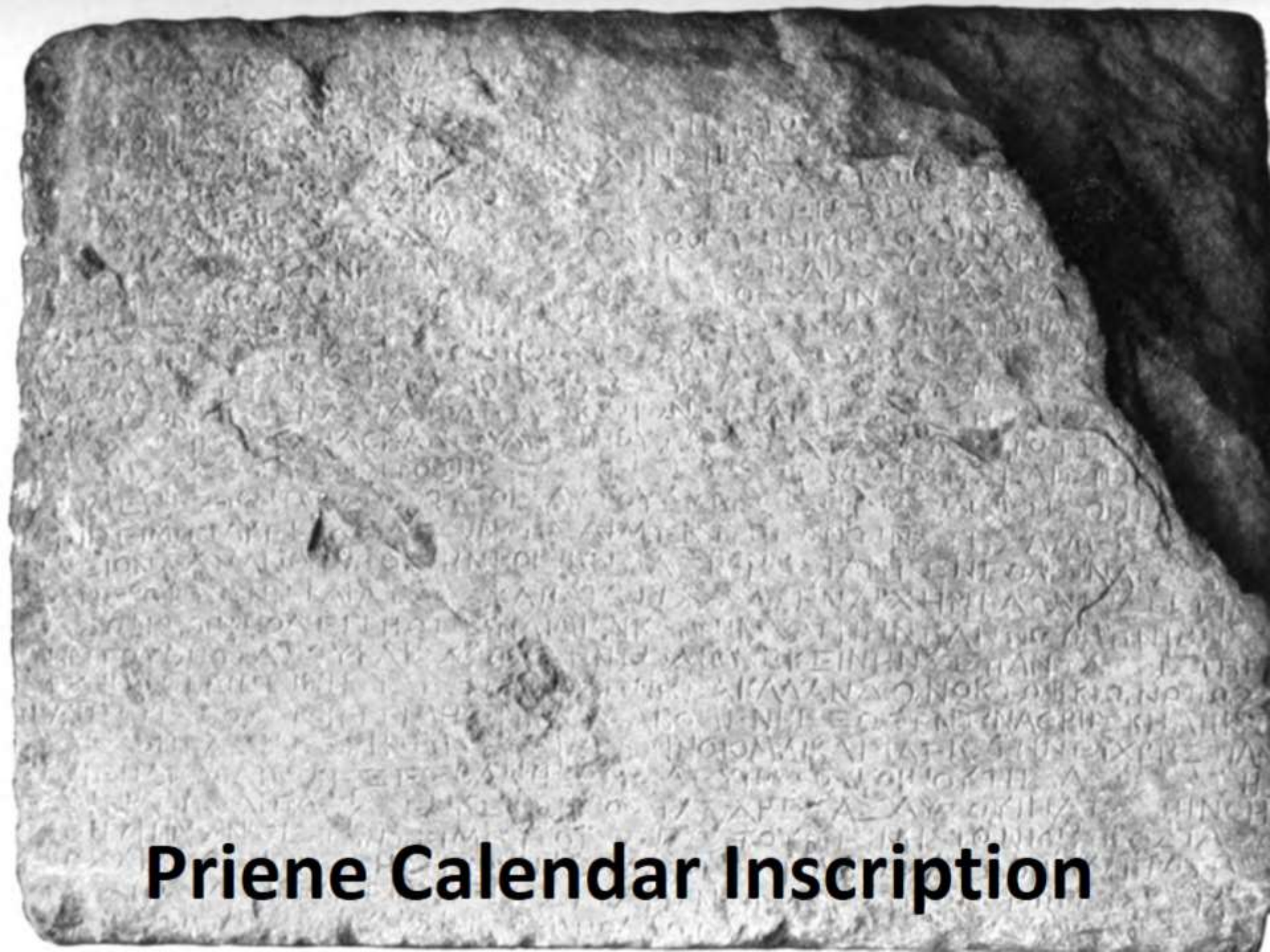
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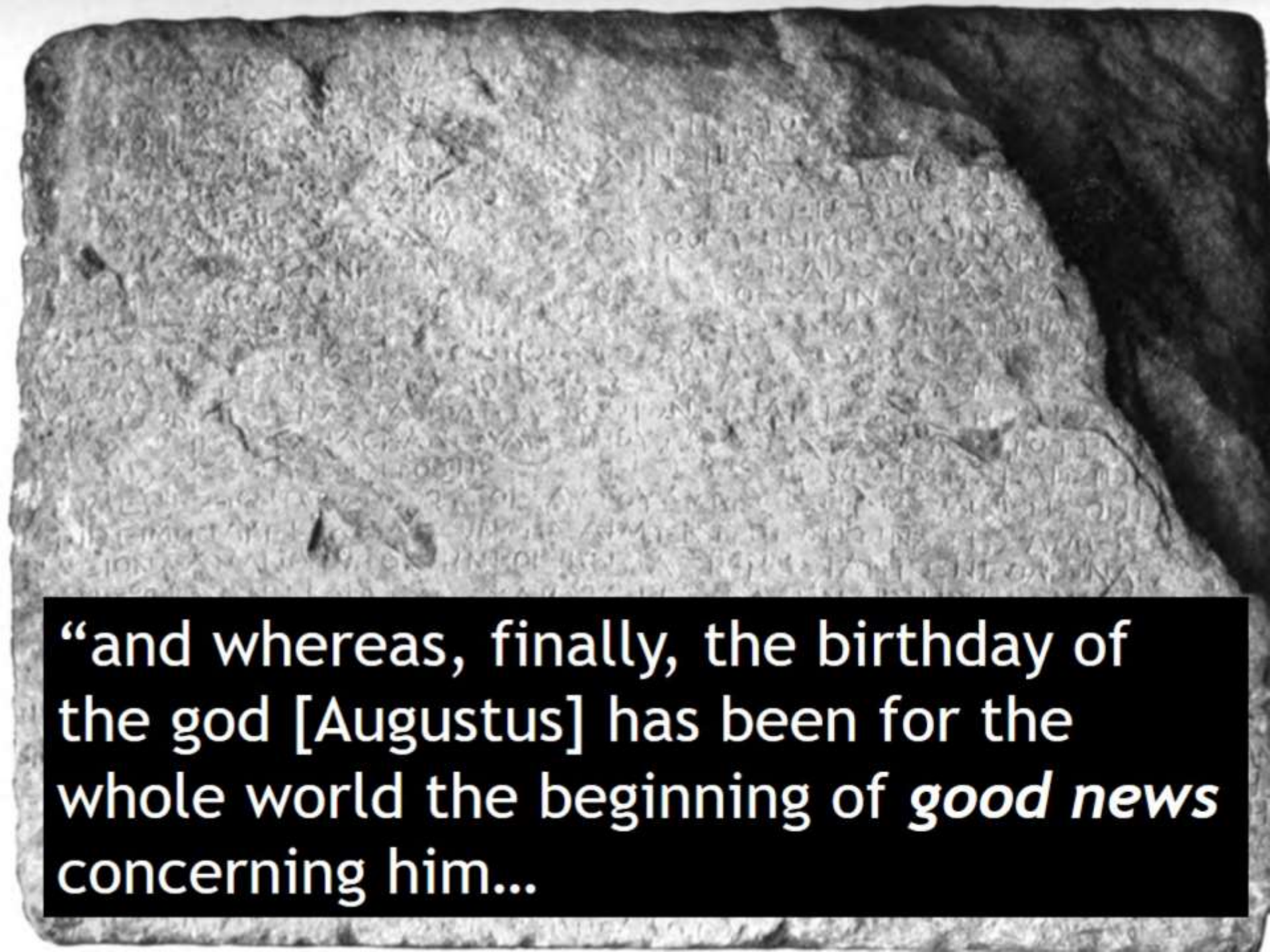
Behold the
Good News.

Luke 2:8-14





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“and whereas, finally, the birthday of
the god [Augustus] has been for the
whole world the beginning of *good news*
concerning him...

Behold God's

Good News.

Luke 2:8-14

