

Real Wisdom for Real Life



*Becoming a Tower of Love in a
Typhoon of Hate*
Selected Proverbs









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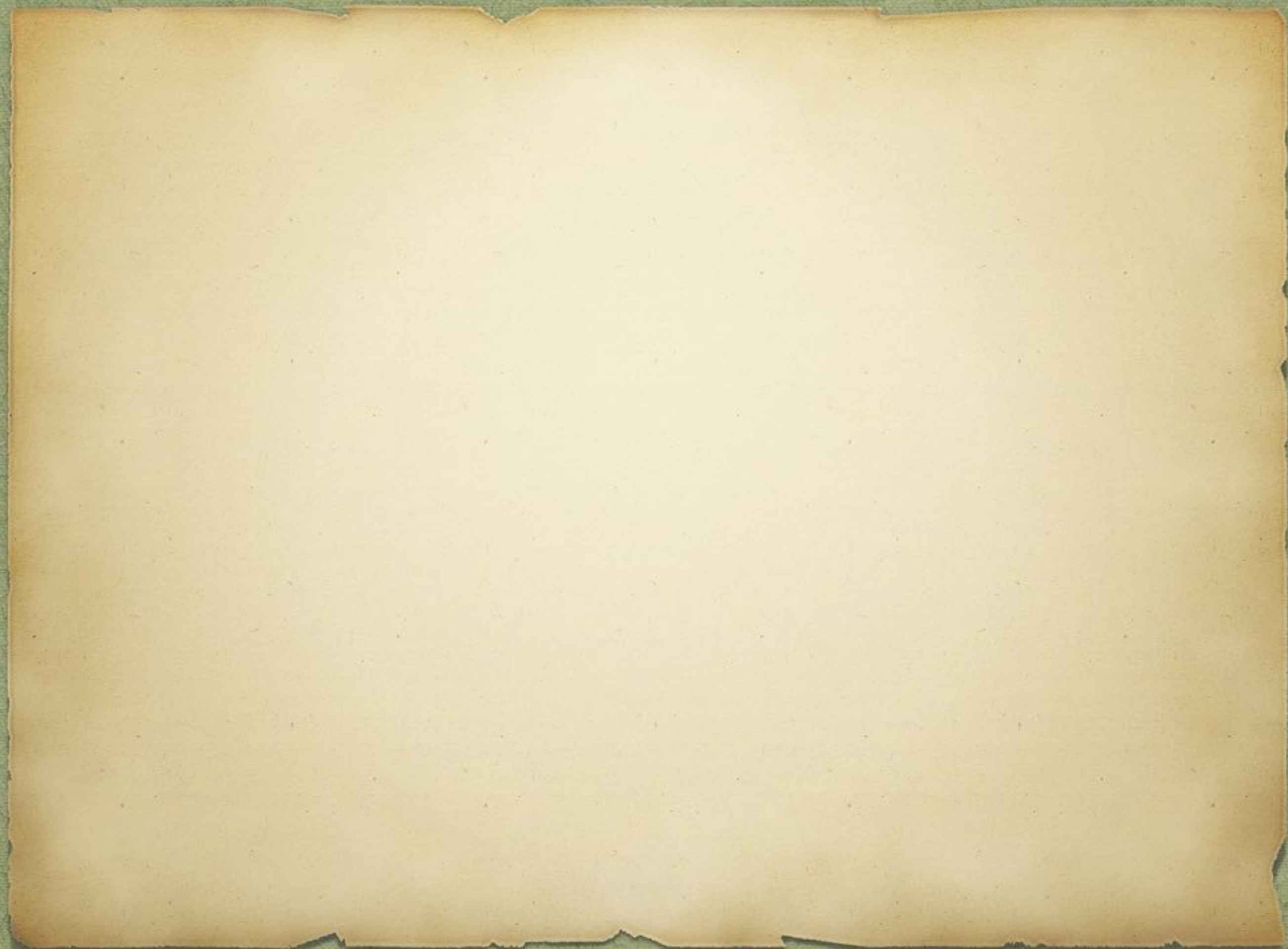
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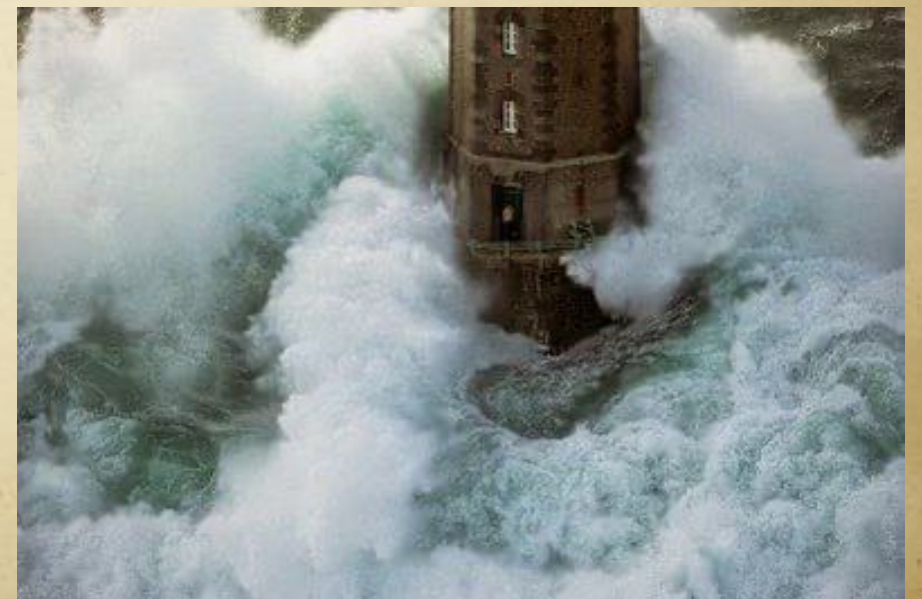
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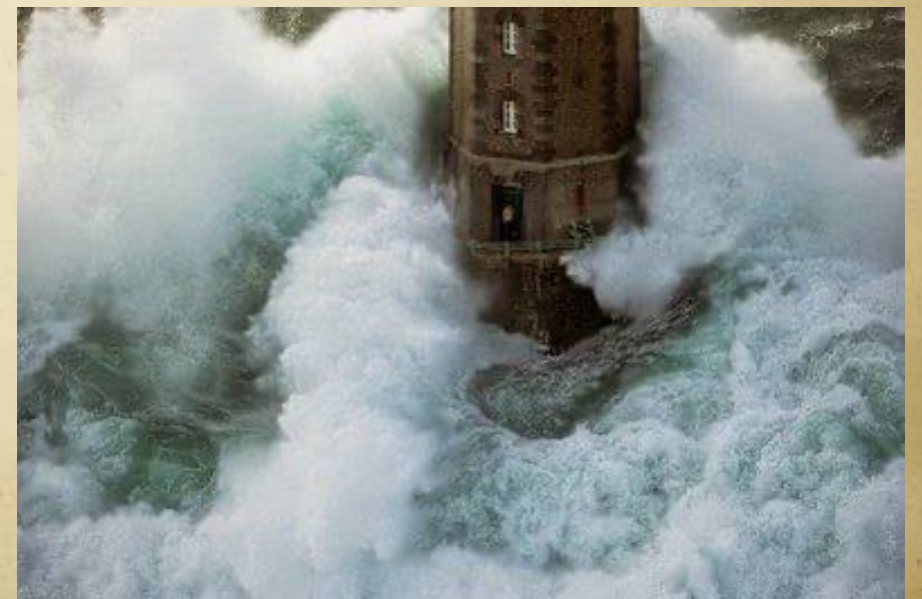
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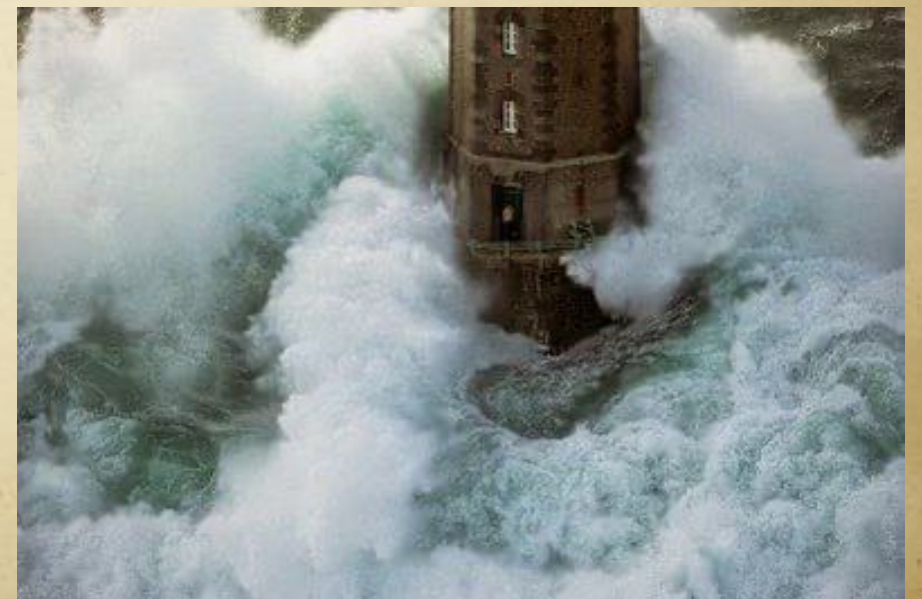


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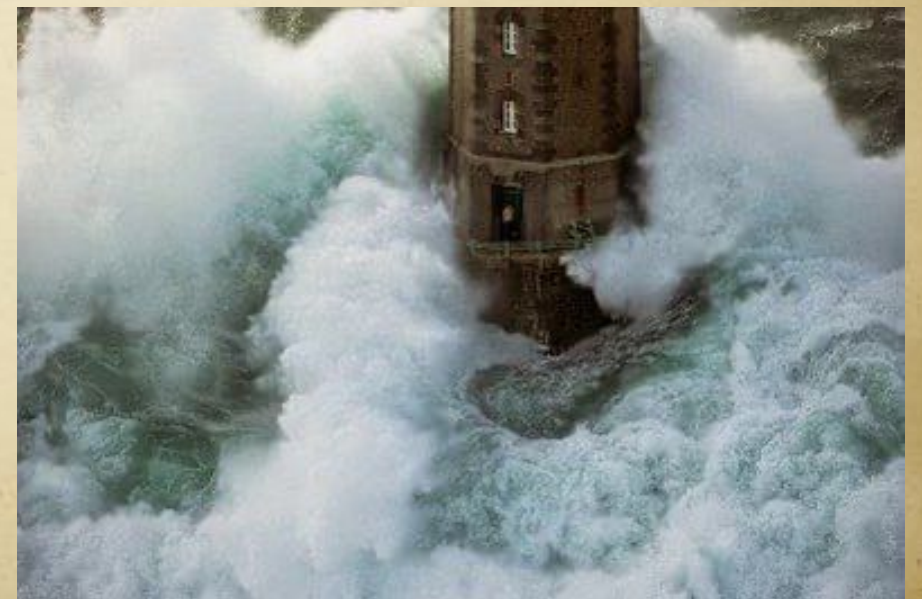
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Proverbs 20:22

Do not say,
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Wait for the Lord, and He
will save you.

Romans 12:19

Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but *rather* give place to wrath; for it is written, “Vengeance *is* Mine, I will repay,” says the Lord.

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Proverbs 14:29-30

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1 John 4:20

If someone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen?

1 Corinthians 6:7b

Why do you not rather
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