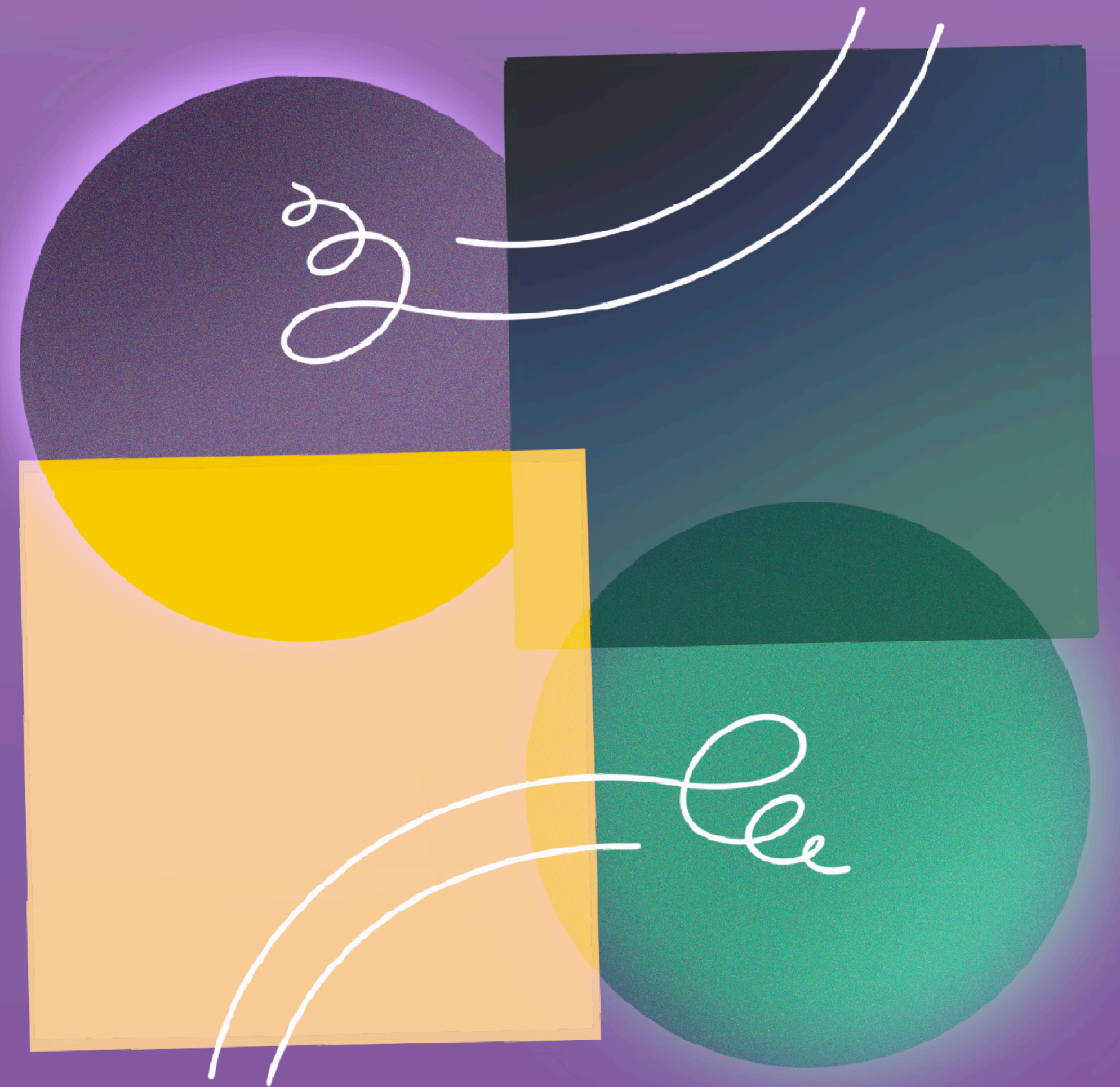


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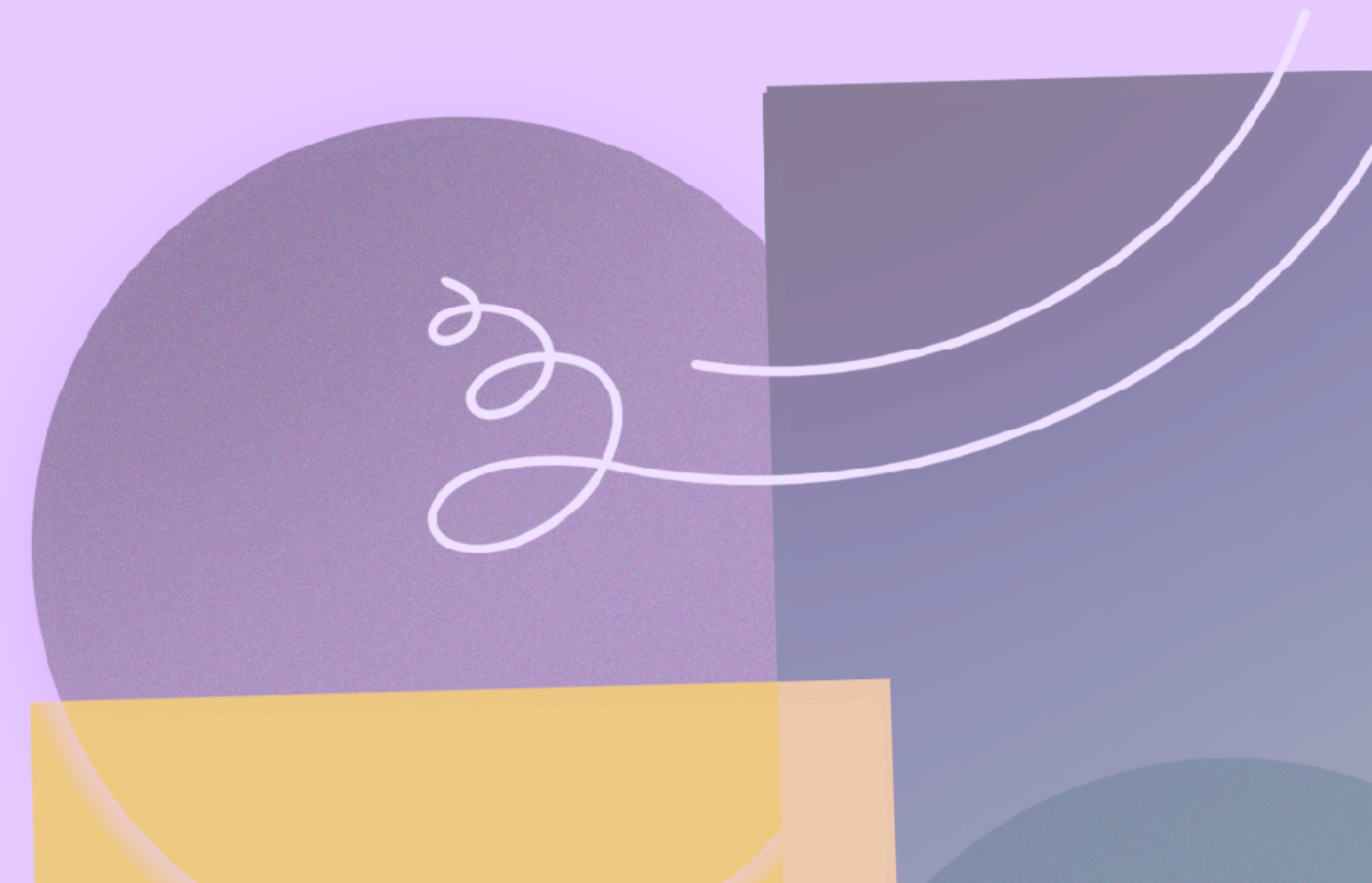
**Staff Photo
(Haha)**



Sydney

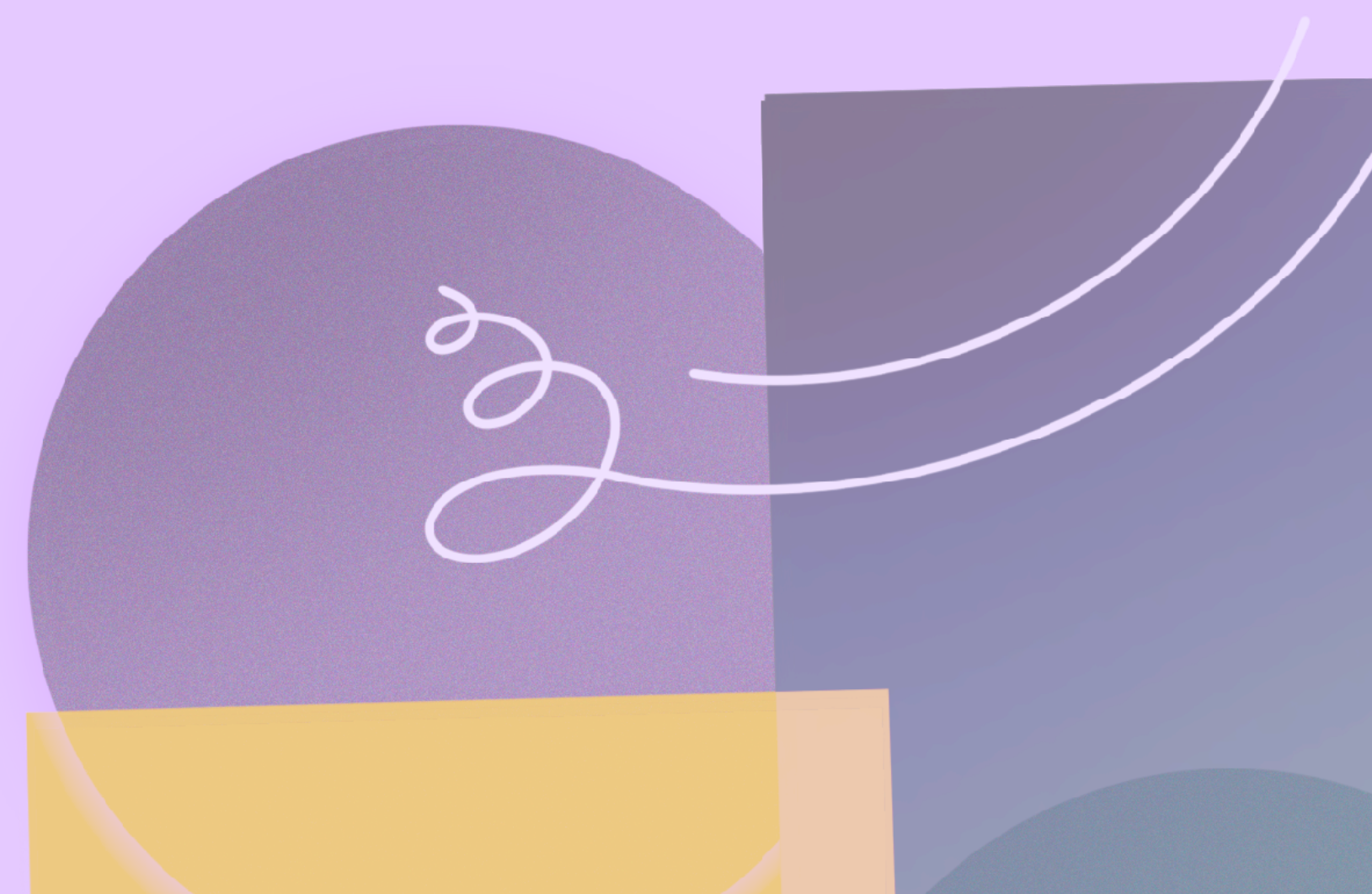


Blythe





Ruby!!!!!!! <3





**Look who's
tallest now**



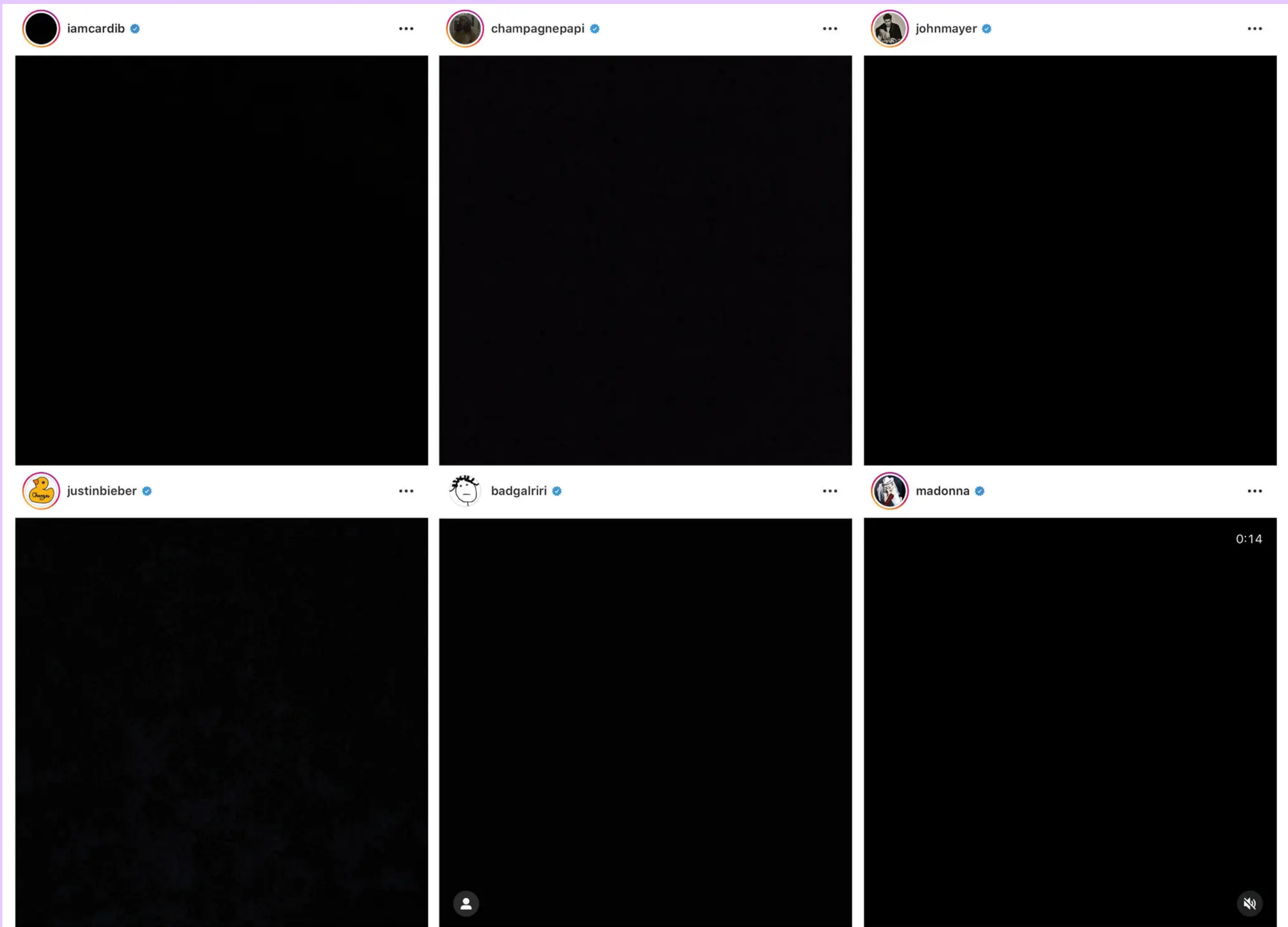
**Hi cousin Ali
(and college)**



**(guess who's still
the tallest)**



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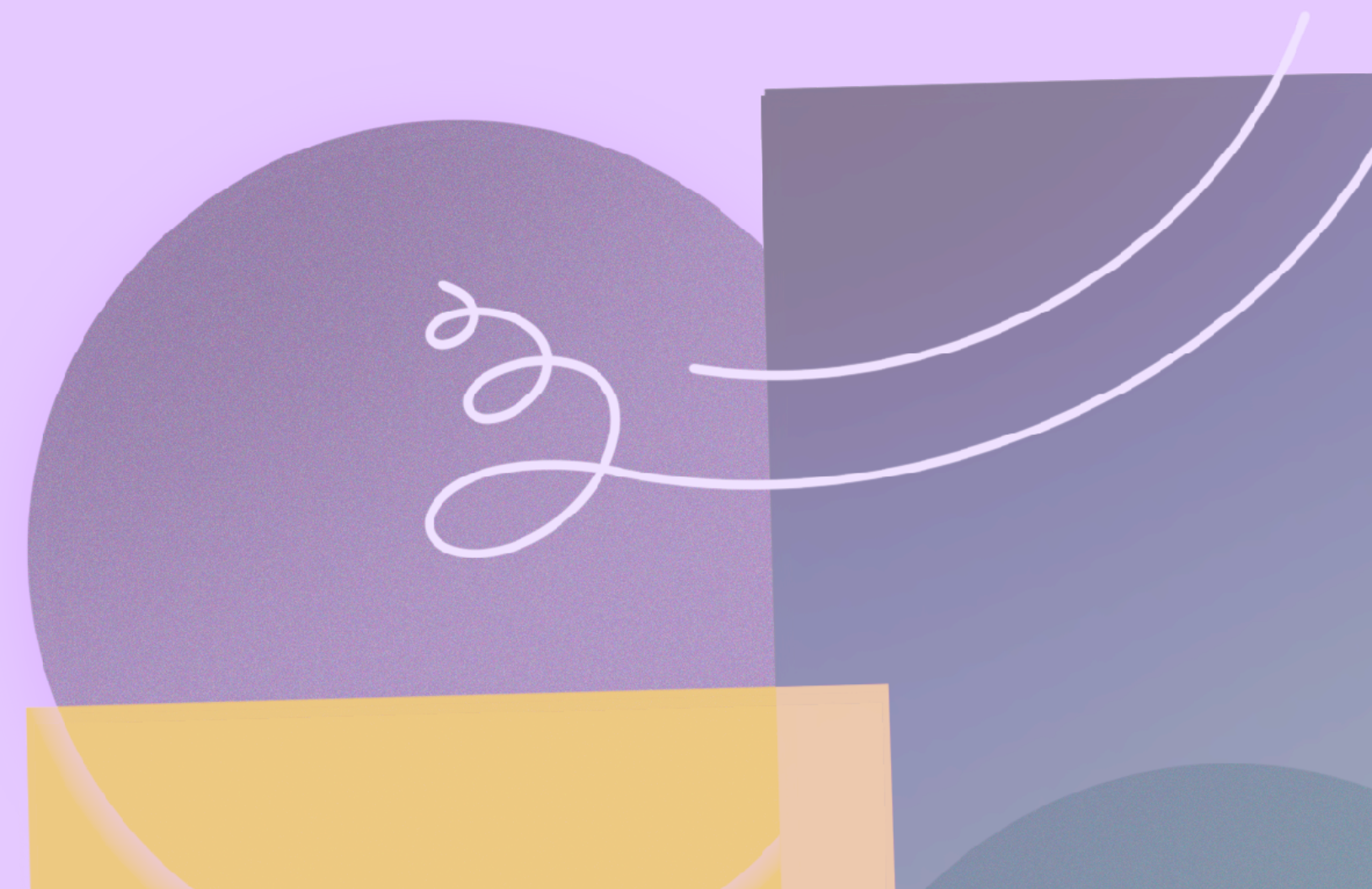
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Luke 23:26-31

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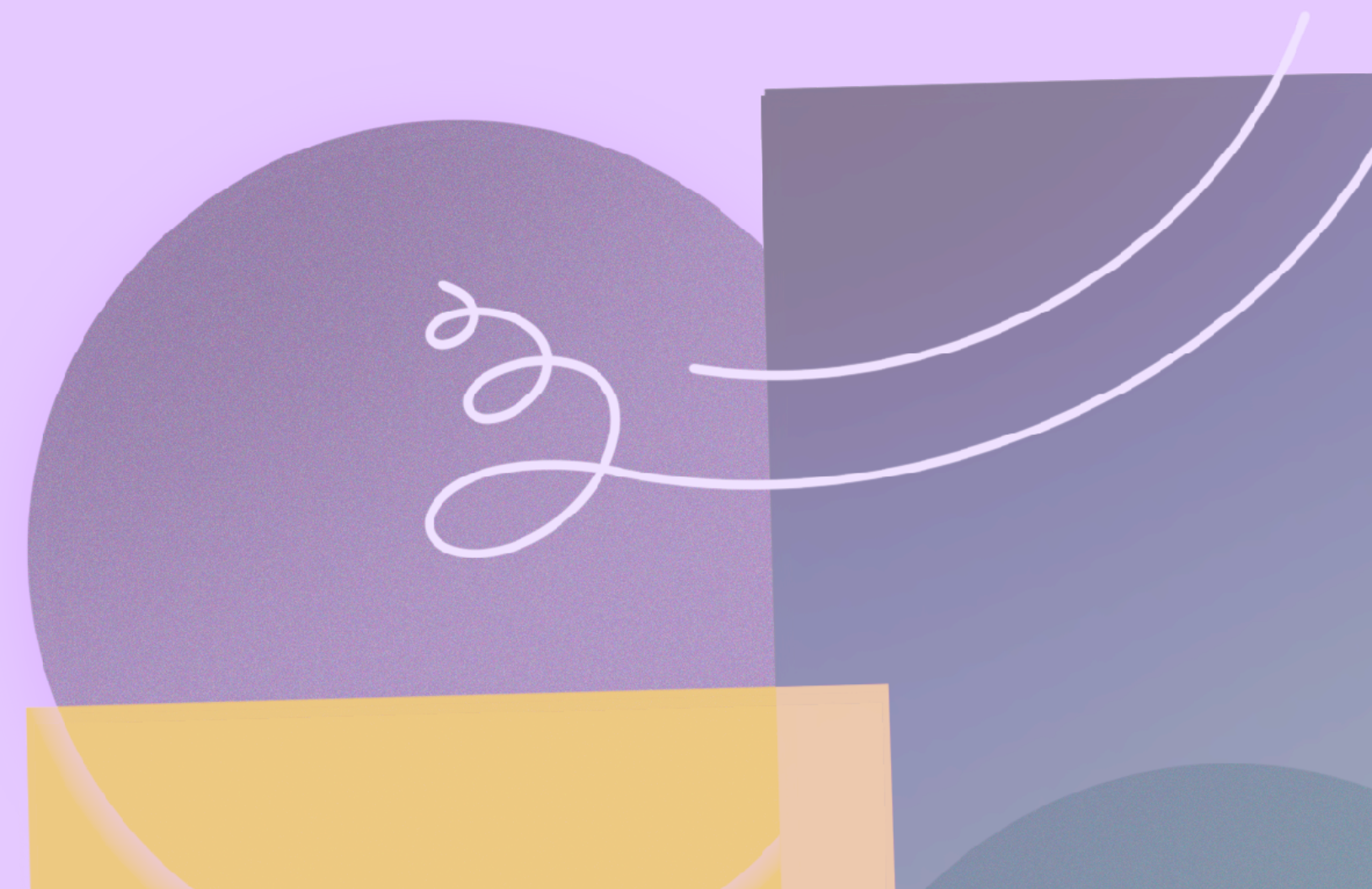


‘Untitled’ by leonid legeev, 1554



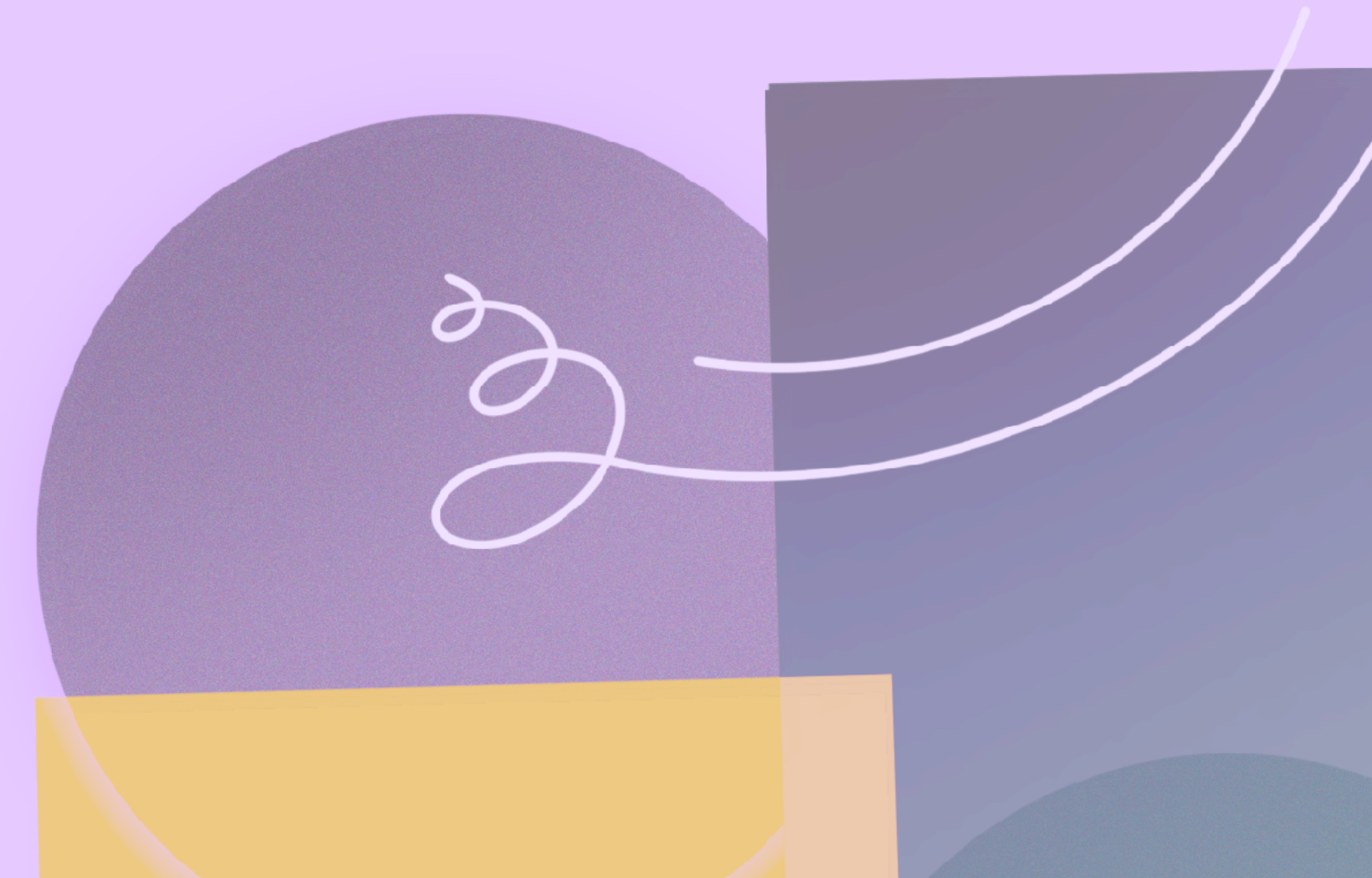
**‘Stations of the Cross’ by
Gwyneth Leech, 2005**

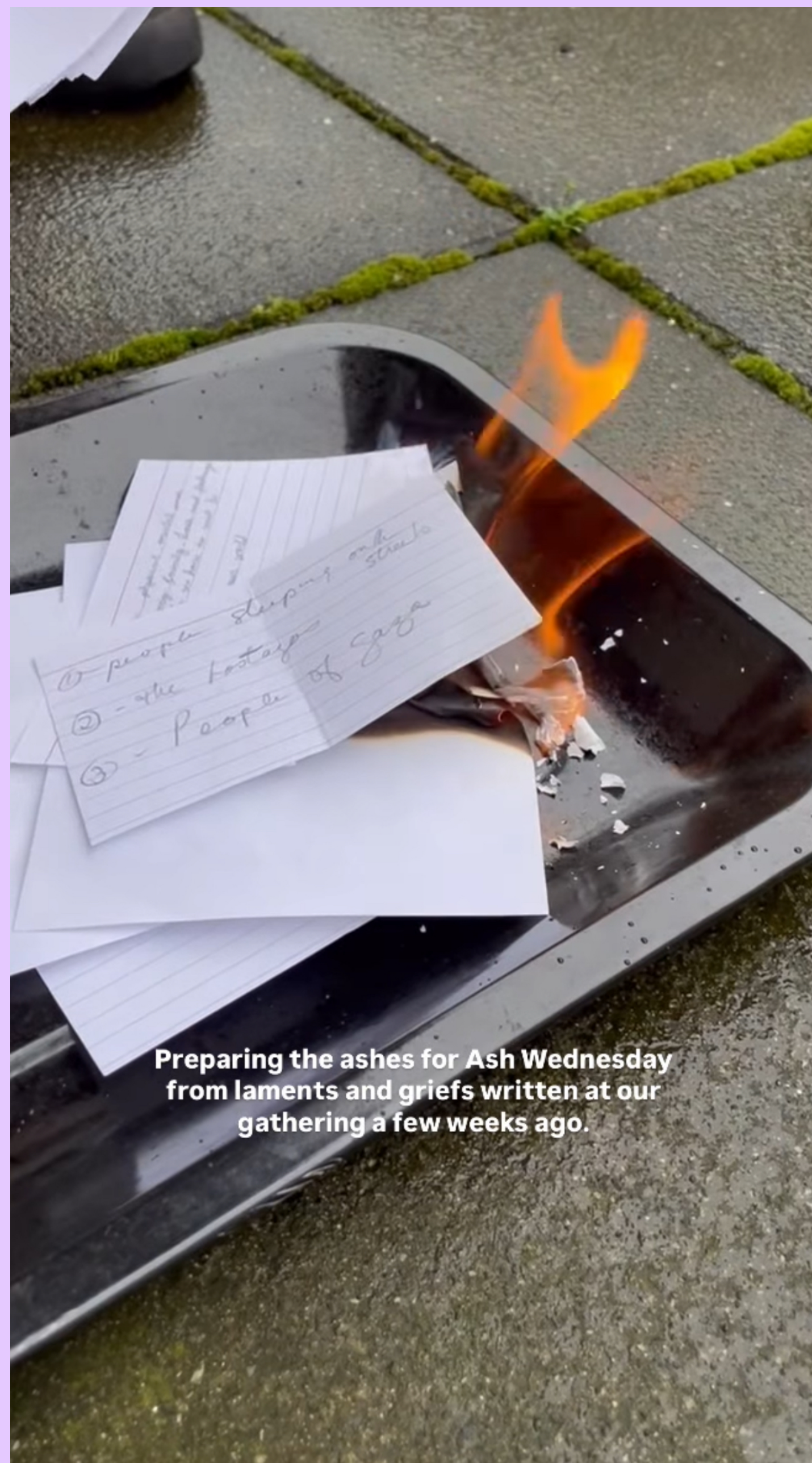
**True solidarity is weeping for the injustices
of our neighbours**



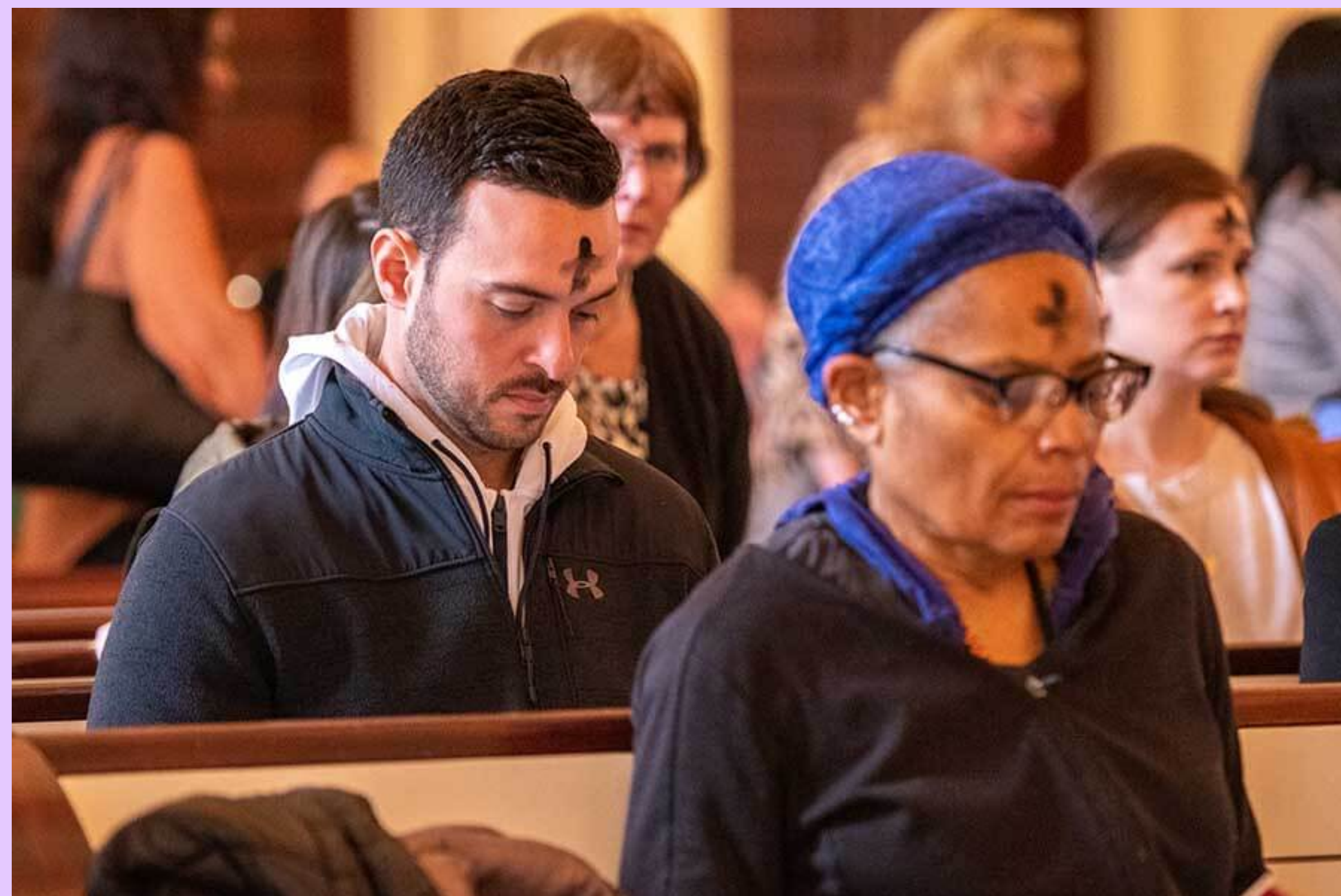
“Black people do not need allies. We need people to stand up and take on the problems borne of oppression as their own, without remove or distance. We need people to do this even if they cannot full understand what it’s like to be oppressed for their race or ethnicity, gender, sexuality, ability, class, religion, or other marker of identity.”

Roxanne Gay, activist and feminist



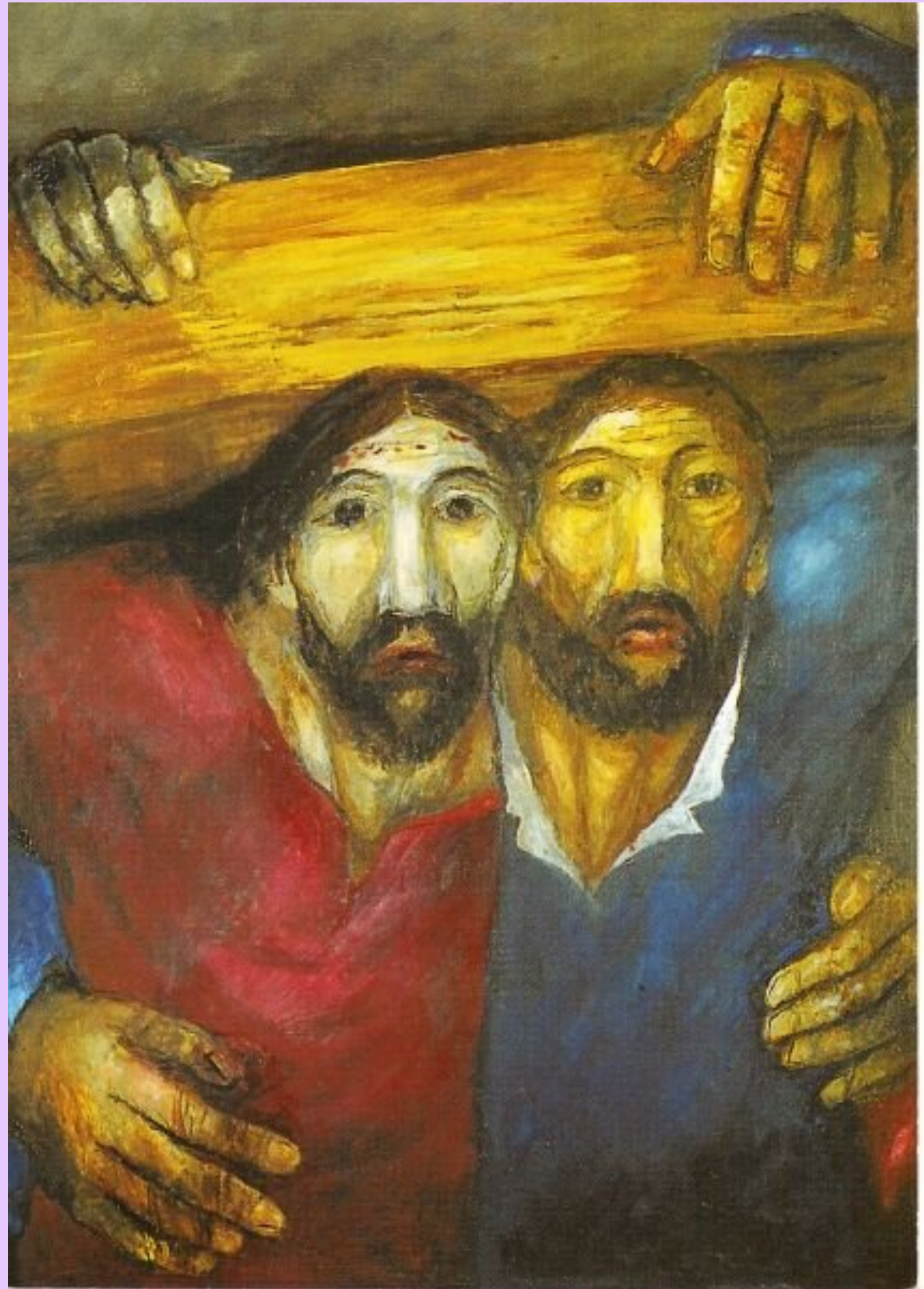


Preparing the ashes for Ash Wednesday from laments and griefs written at our gathering a few weeks ago.





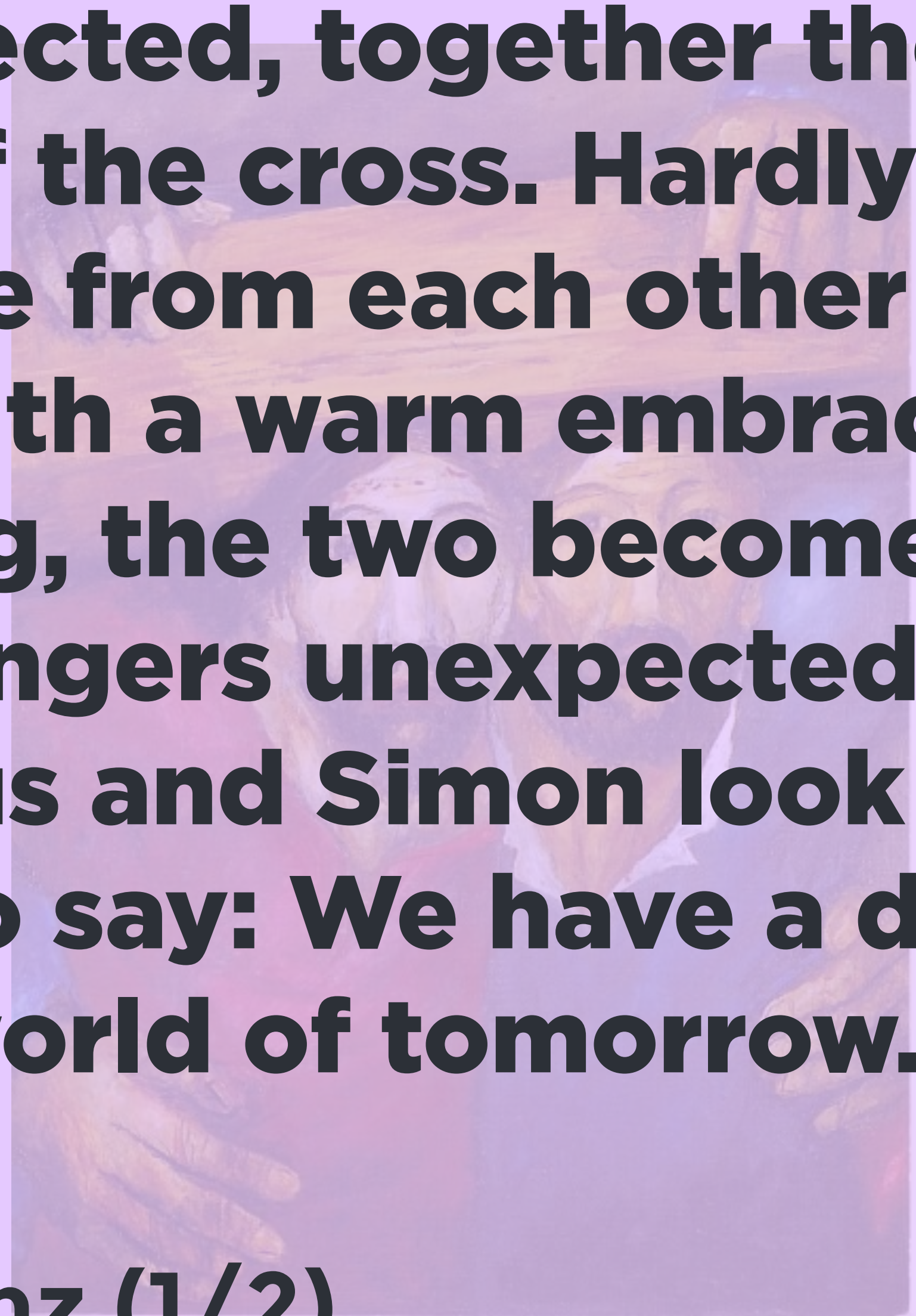
**‘Stations of the Cross’ by
Felecity Prazak, 2021**



**‘Jesus und Simon von Cyrene’ by
Sieger Köder, unknown date**

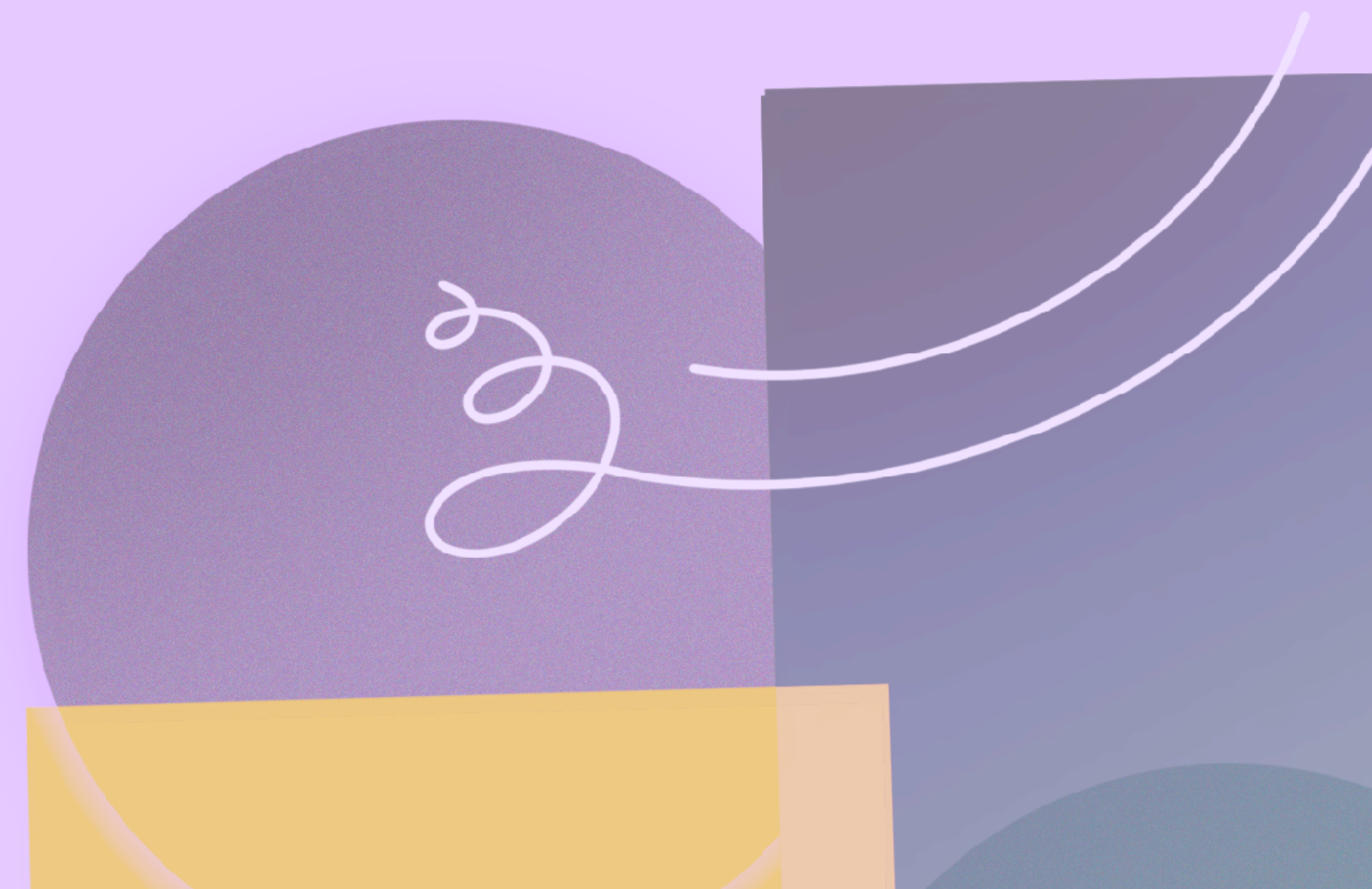
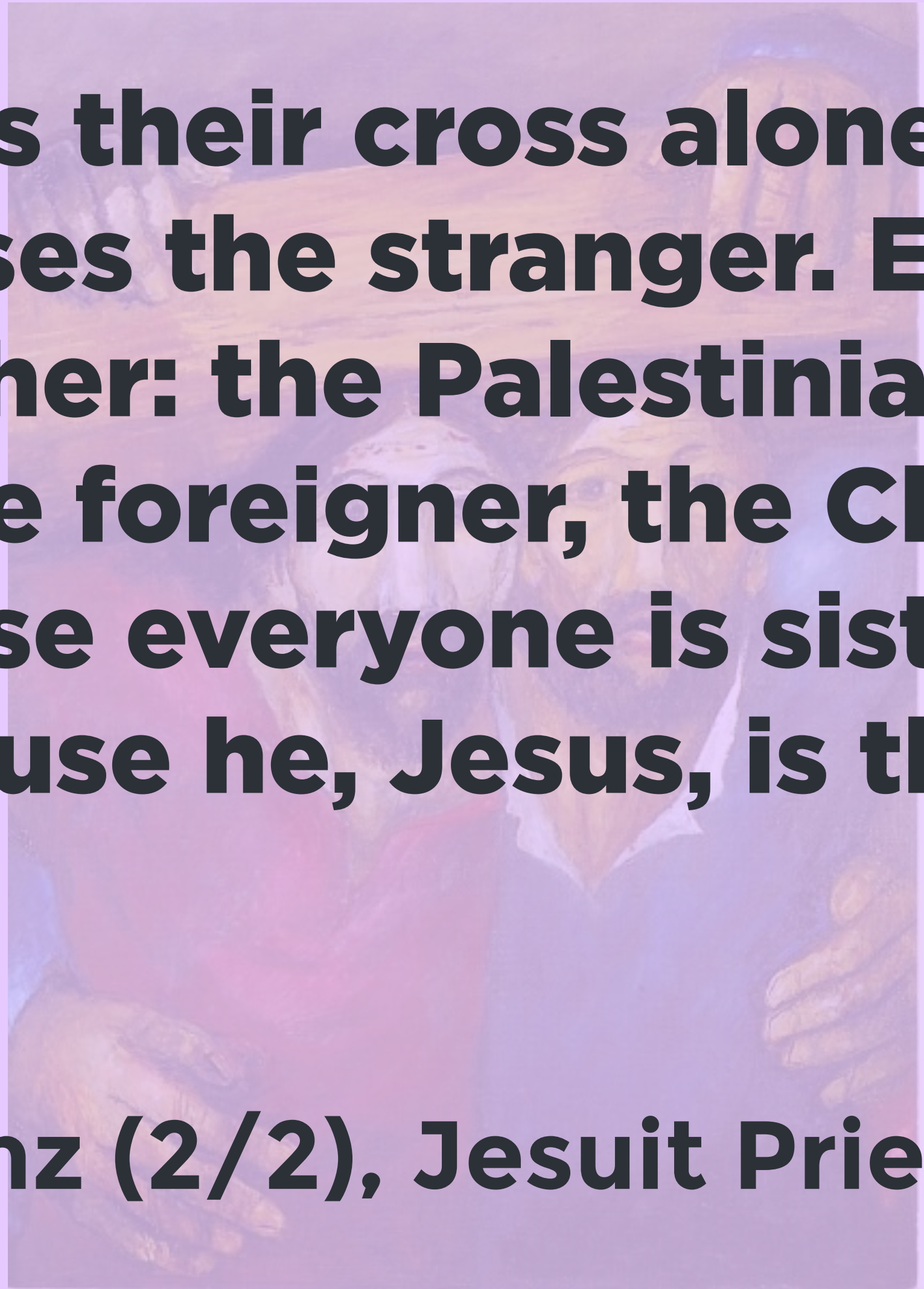
“Closely connected, together they carry the heavy beam of the cross. Hardly distinguishable from each other one holds on to the other with a warm embrace, one pulls the other along, the two become one in their suffering, Strangers unexpectedly become brothers...Jesus and Simon look at us - as if they wanted to say: We have a dream, a vision: the fraternal world of tomorrow...”

Theo Schmidkonz (1/2)

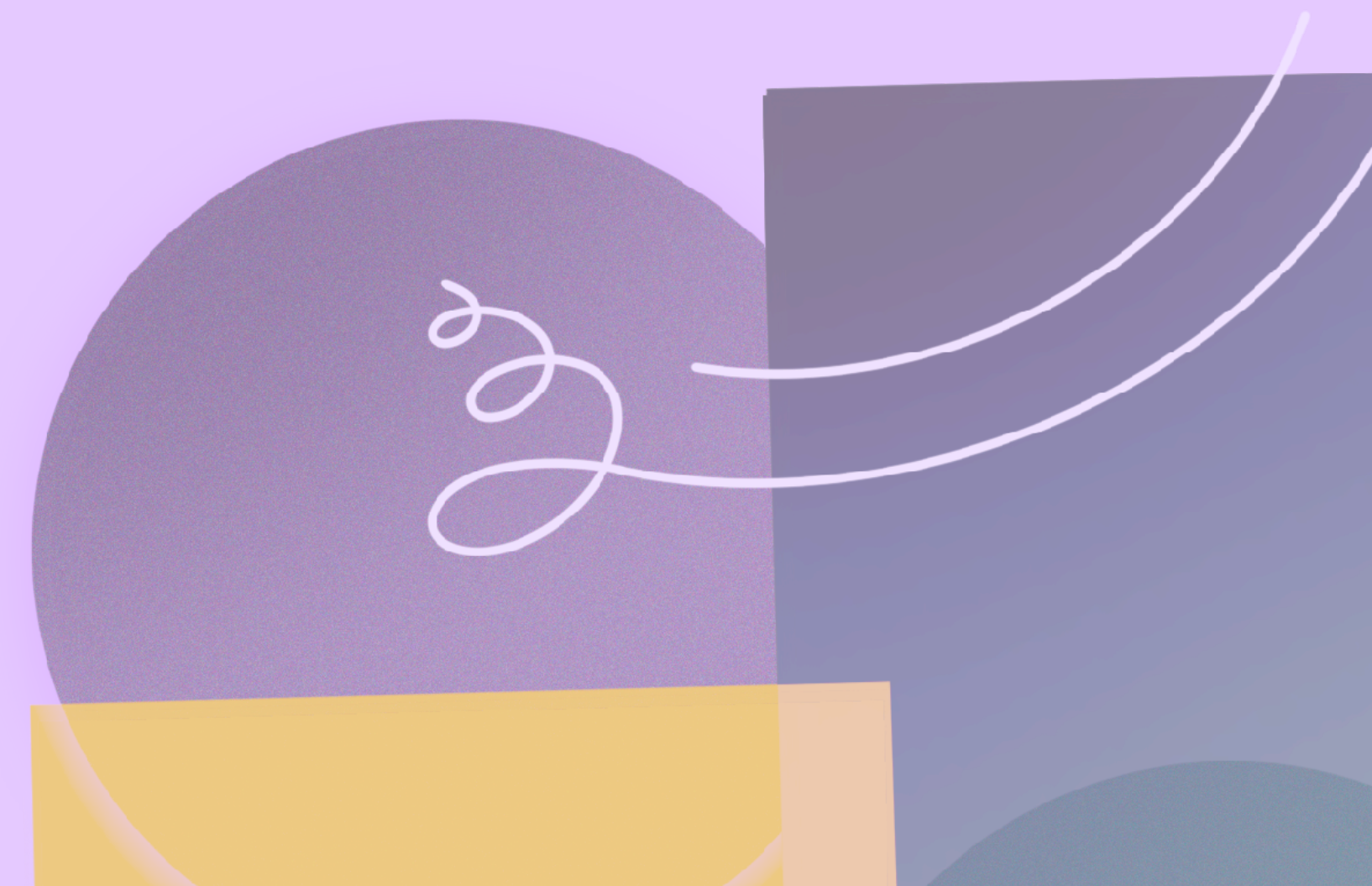


“No one carries their cross alone anymore. Nobody despises the stranger. Everyone accepts the other: the Palestinians the Jews, the German the foreigner, the Christian the Muslim. Because everyone is sisters and brothers, because he, Jesus, is the brother of all of us...”

Theo Schmidkonz (2/2), Jesuit Priest



**True solidarity means leaning into the
practice of community.**

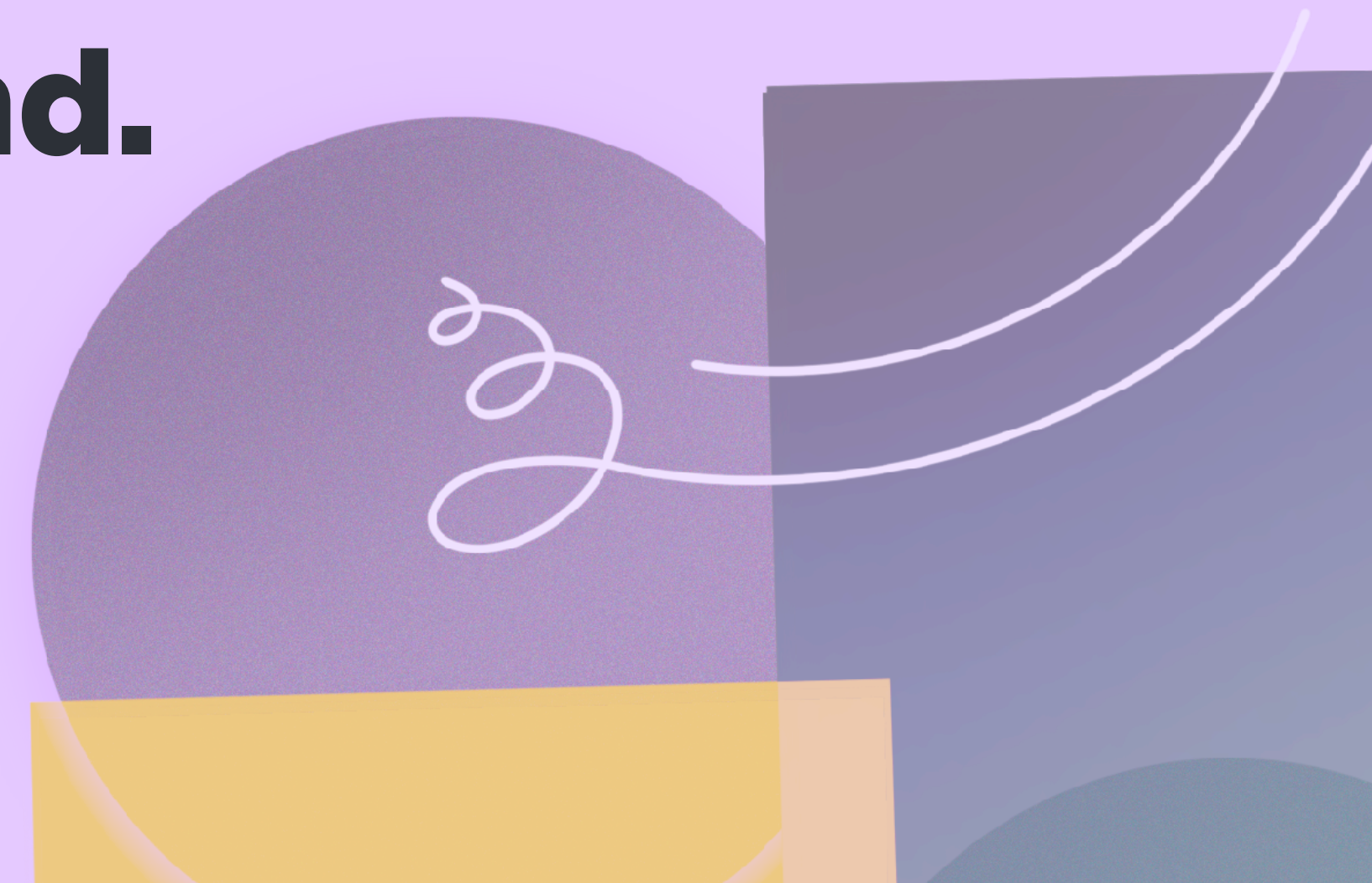




**Stations of the Cross, Unknown
Ethiopian Artist, Unknown Date**

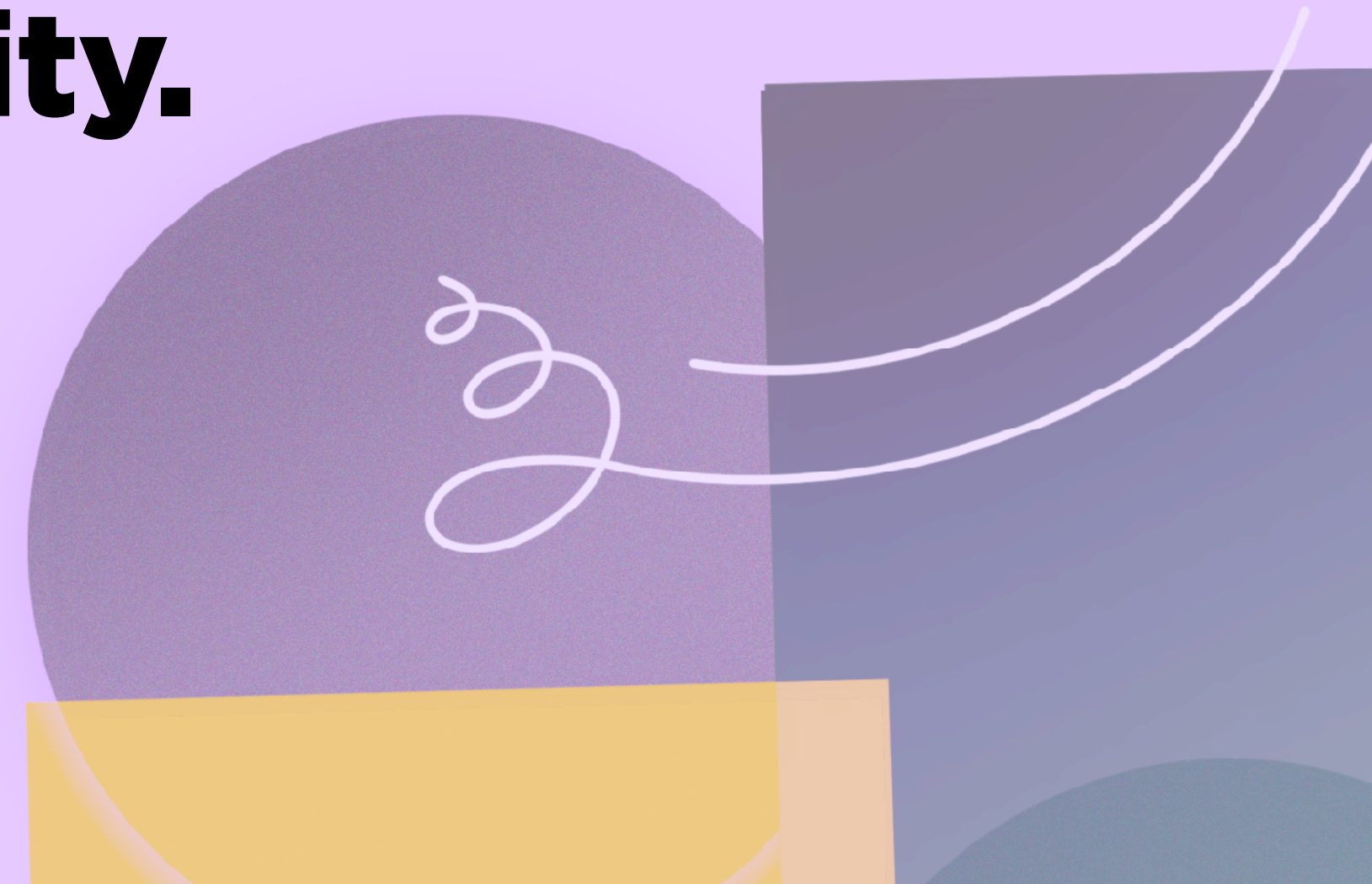
The path of Jesus the Liberator that Luke paints then are two parallel roads: one road of liberation and freedom, and one of resistance and impending suffering.

The two go hand in hand.

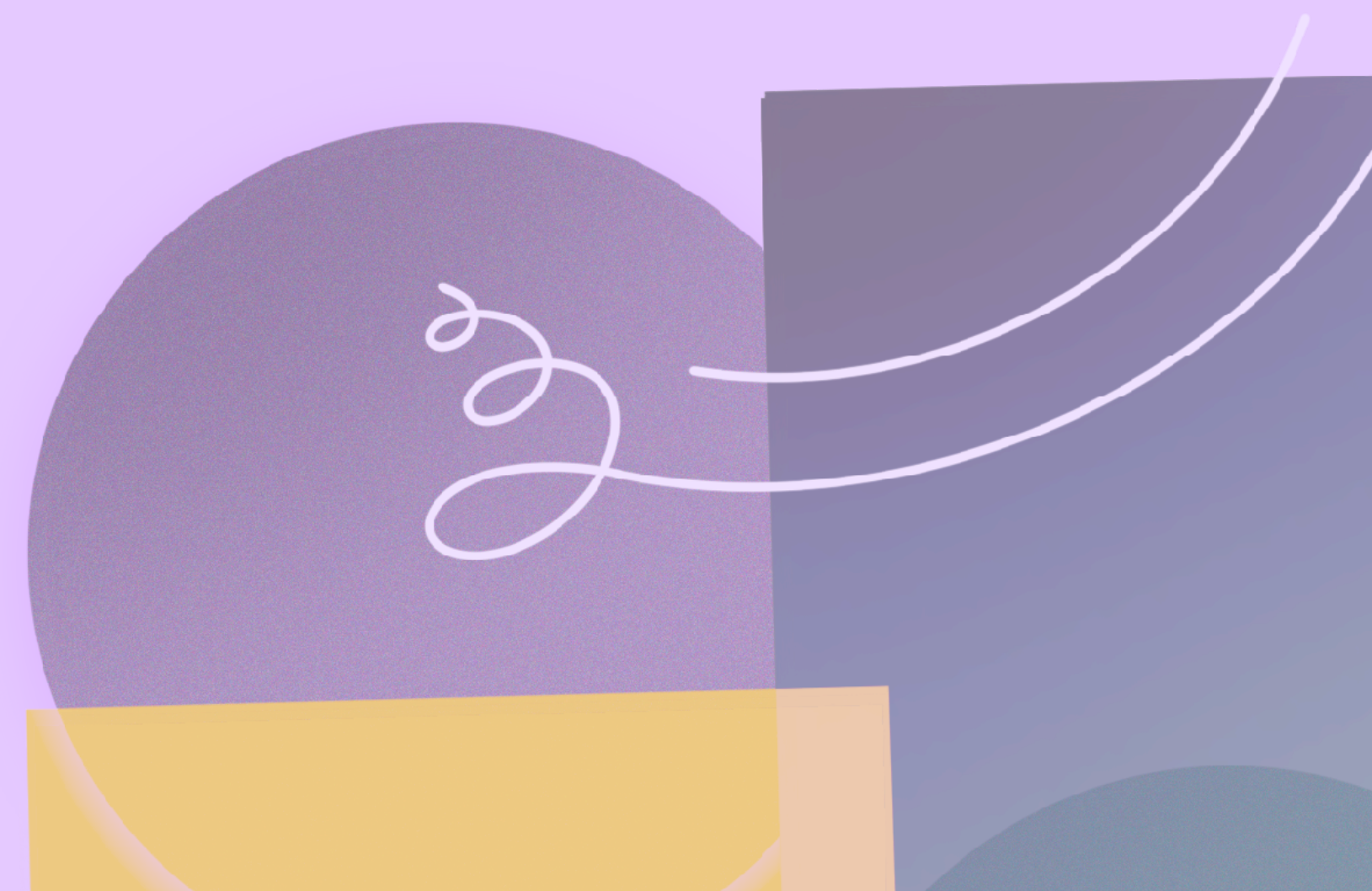


God does not abandon her creation, God chooses to become part of it, and to liberate it as one of us.

Jesus becomes the living image of co-suffering and solidarity.

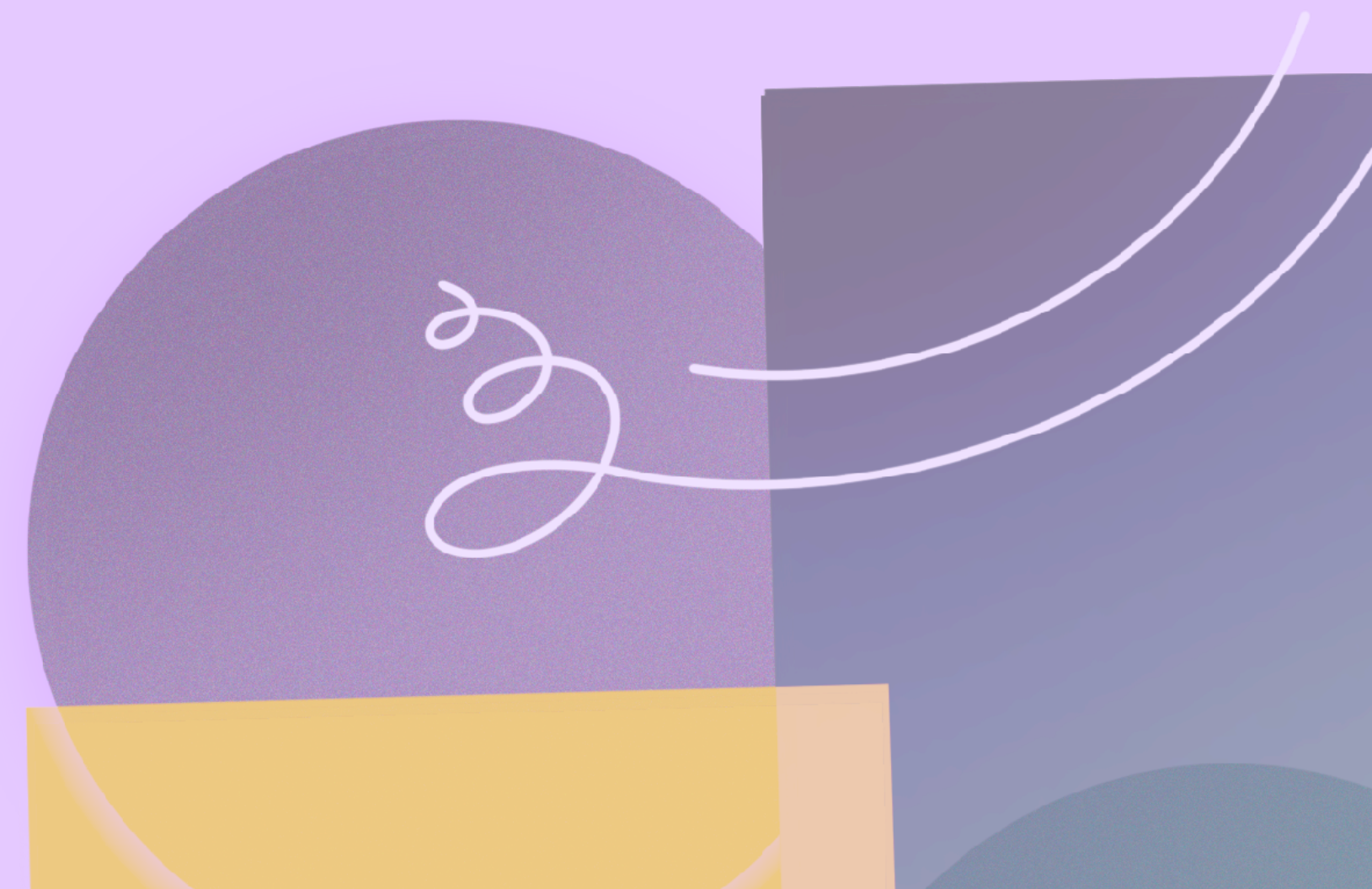


True solidarity comes at a cost



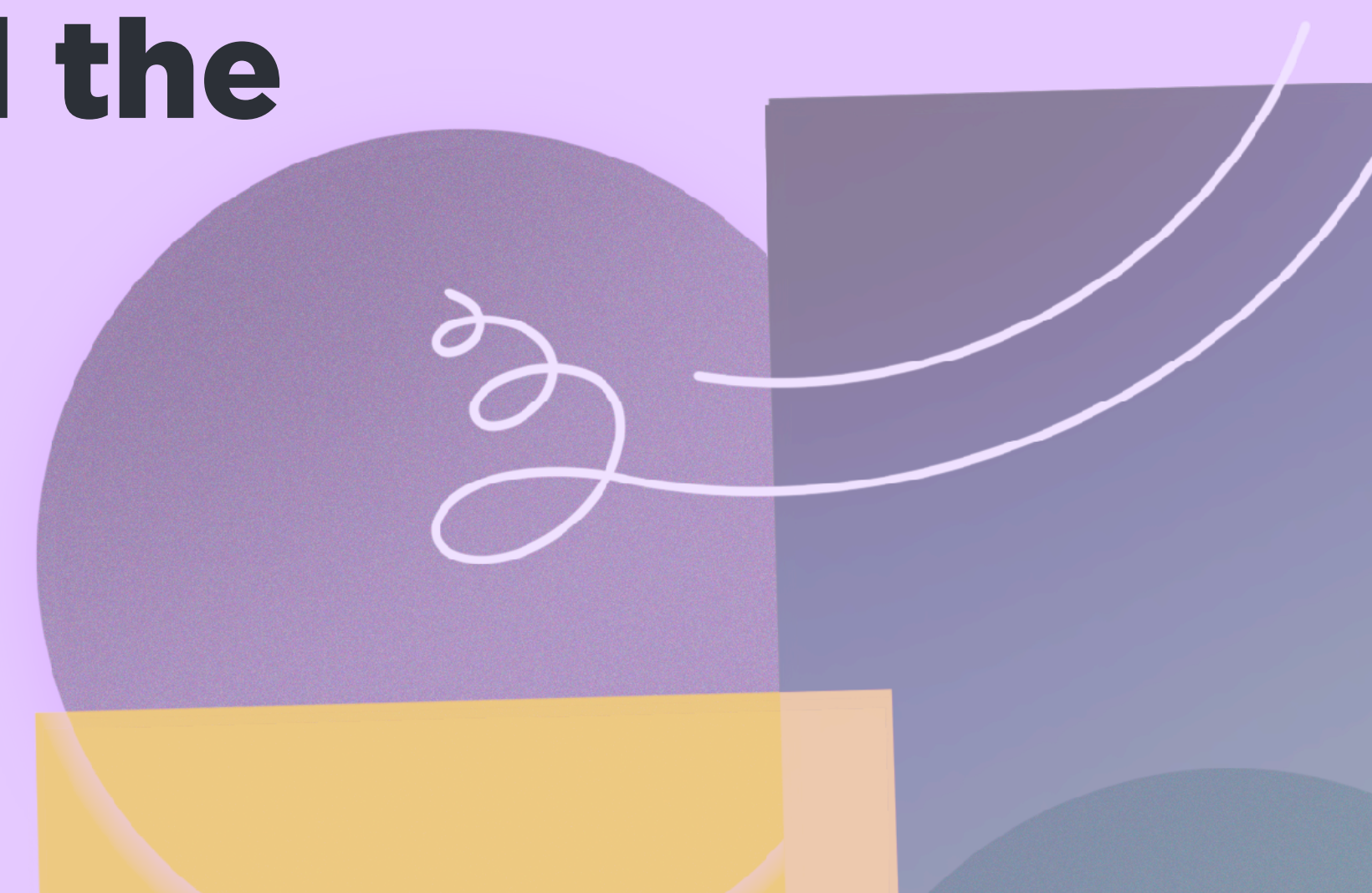
“Christian sacrifice is about learning how to make one’s life into a gift that creates communion.”

Norman Wirzba, Theologian



“The living can’t quit living because the world has turned terrible and people they love and need are killed. They can’t because they don’t. The light that shines in darkness and never goes out calls them on into life. It calls them back again into the great room. It calls them into their bodies and into the world, into whatever the world will require. It calls them into work and pleasure, goodness and beauty, and the company of other loved ones.”

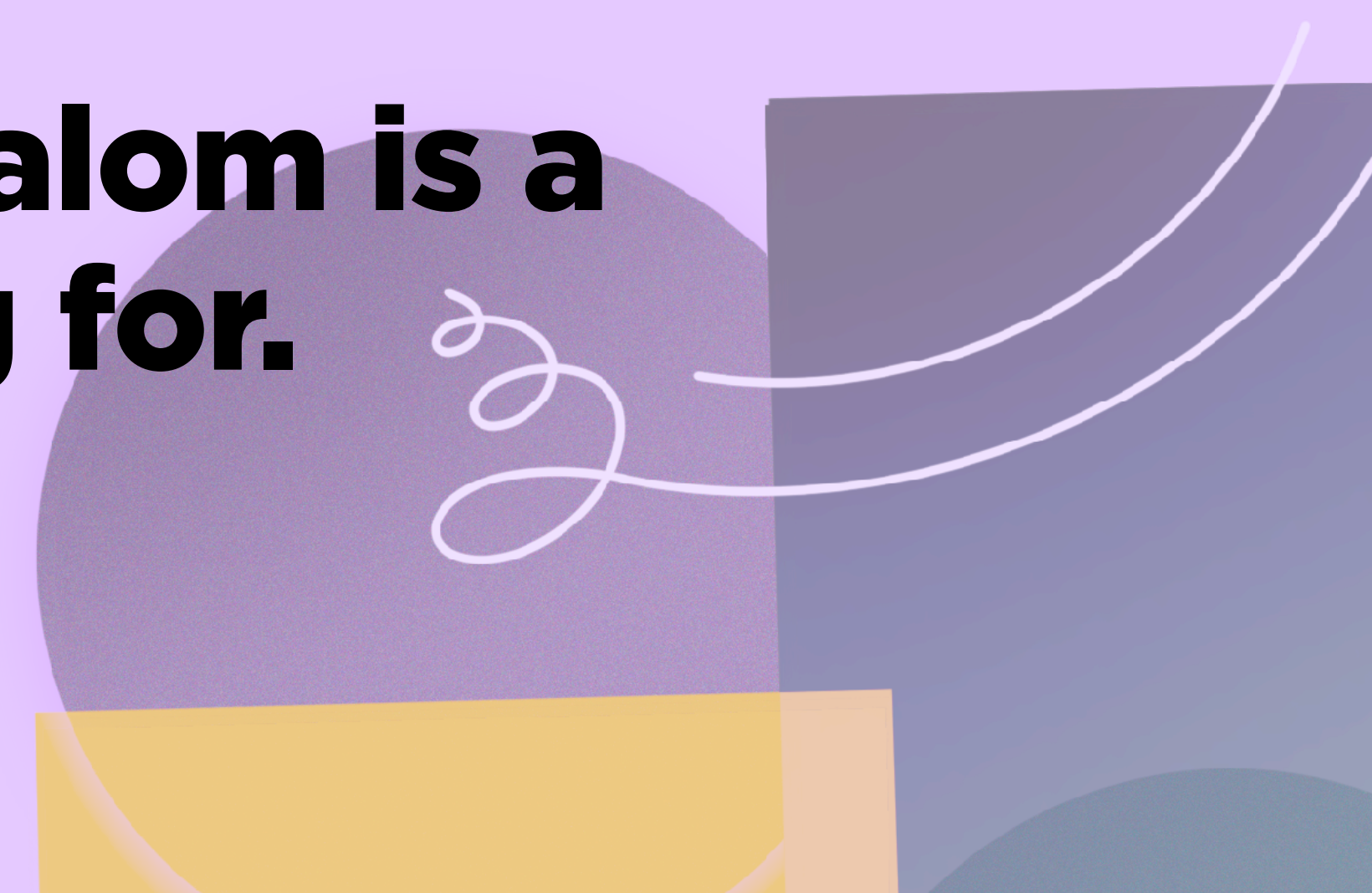
Wendell Berry, Farmer and Writer



**Because of the resurrection, we see that
there is life after death.**

**We see that the power of empire is
ultimately overcome by the power of
sacrificial love.**

**We see that the journey to shalom is a
struggle worth struggling for.**







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