

BEAUTY • A SERVICE TO THE NEIGHBOR

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Not that we are making
a special church of it,
as if it were better than
other houses where the
Word of God is
preached... one could
just as well preach
outside by the fountain
or somewhere else.

*Martin Luther, Sermon at the Dedication of
Castle Church, Torgau 1544*



...it should also be arranged in such a way that they may all assemble at a definite and convenient time, when the ordinary man can be away from his trade or work, and at a definite place where they may know and hear their preacher.

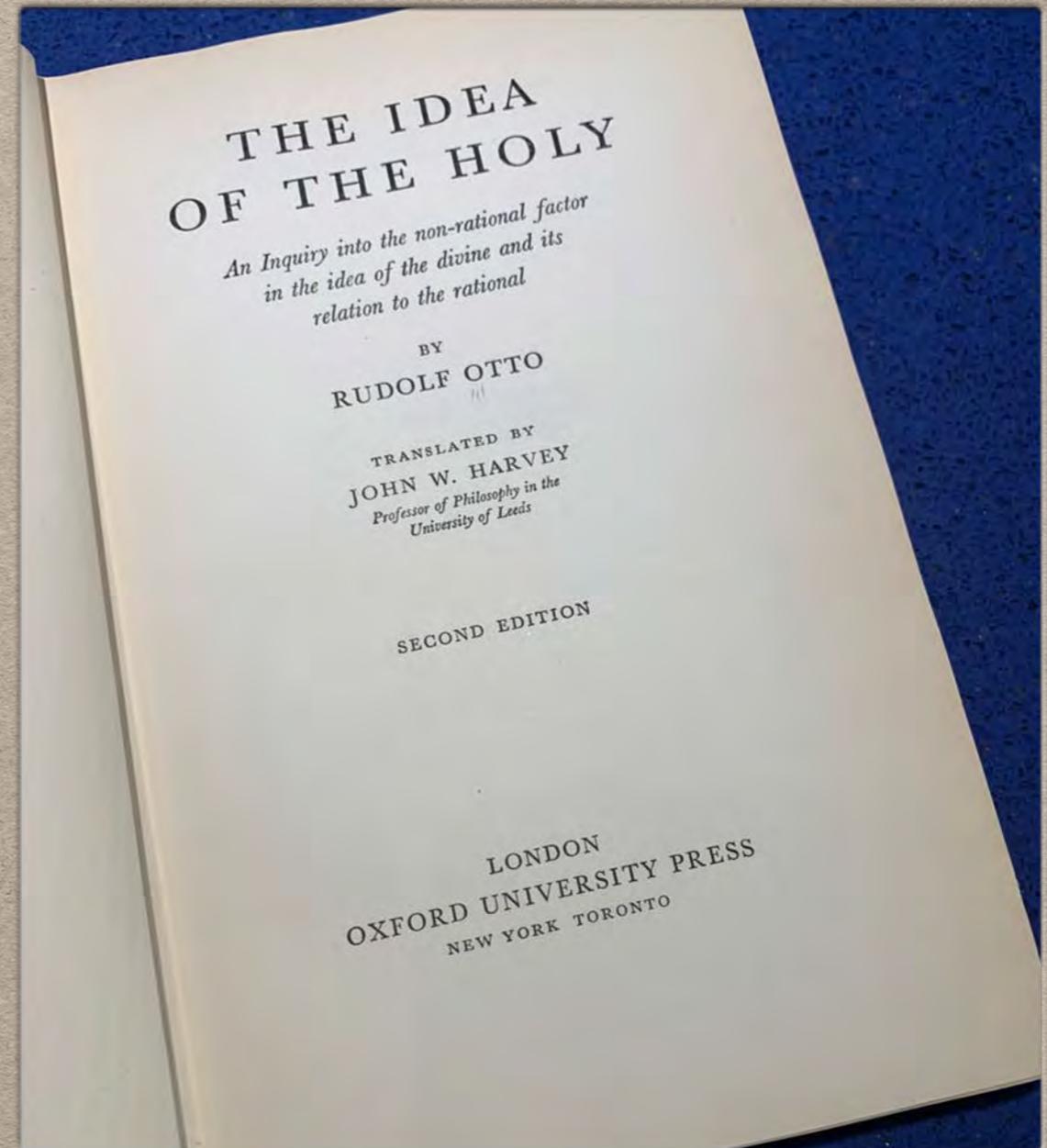
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THE IDEA OF THE HOLY

RUDOLF OTTO • 1917

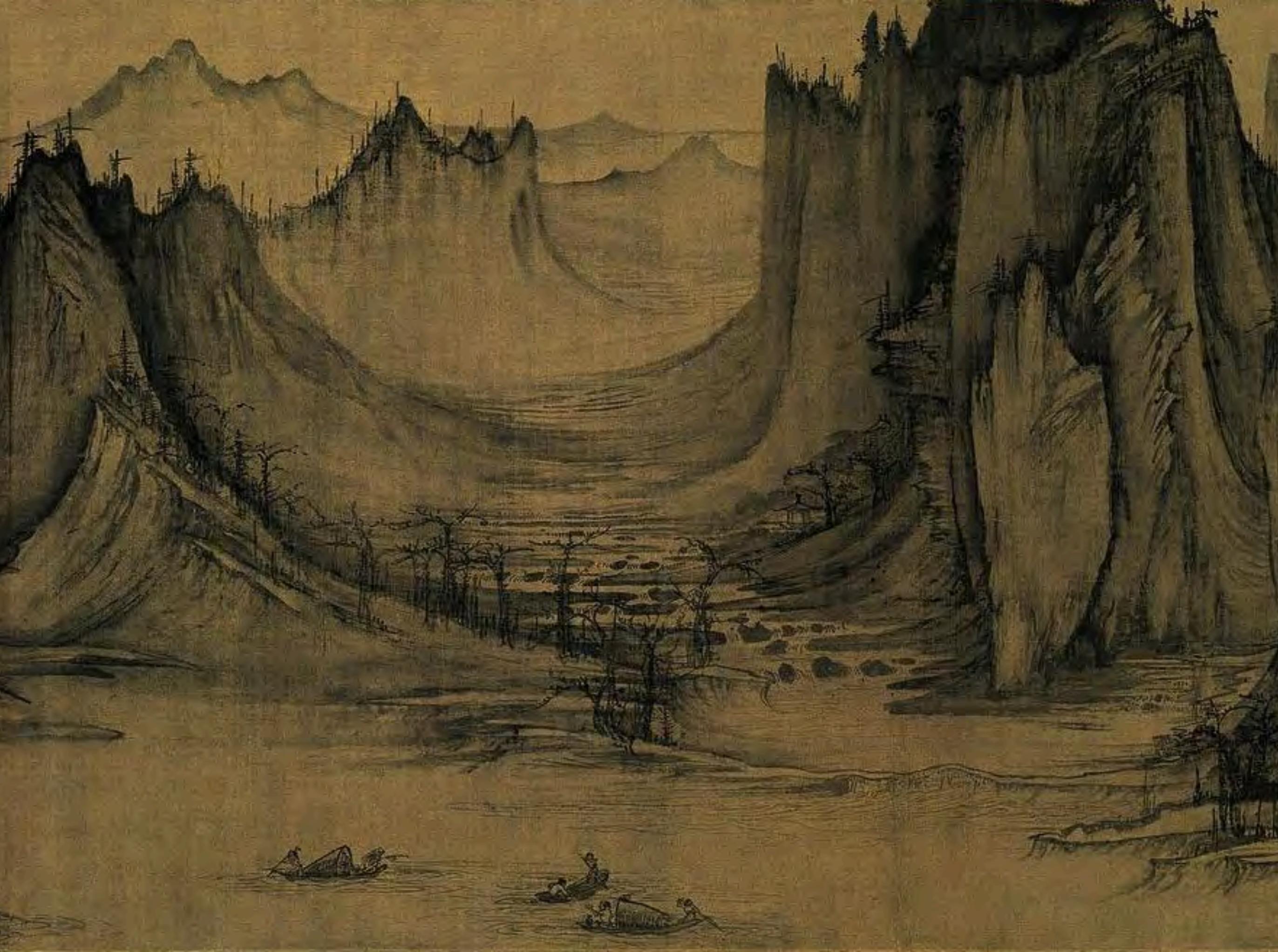
- the *Numinous*
- Isaiah
- Jesus
- Paul
- Luther
- The Law of the Association of Feelings

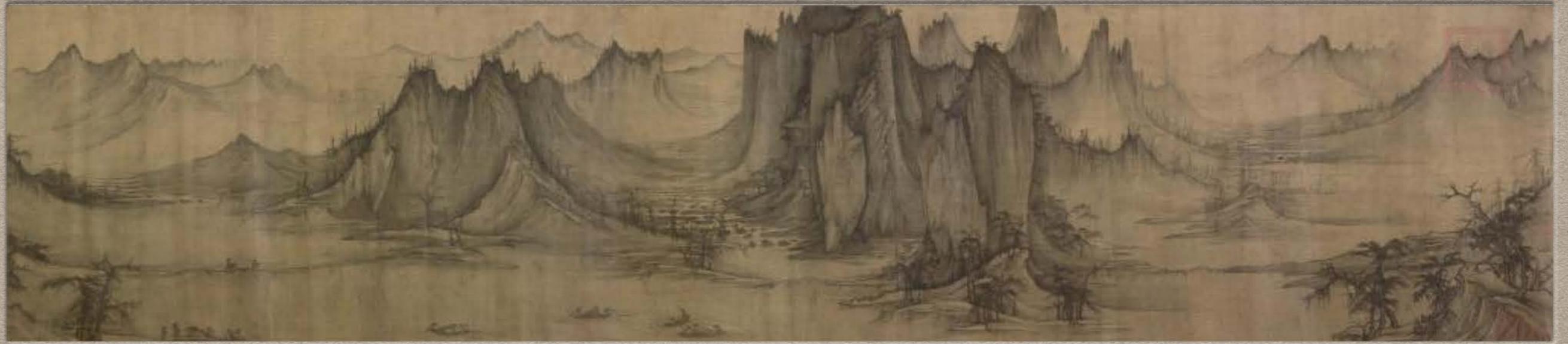
















Sopr. I.

Sopr. II.

Alt.

Ten.

Bass.

Viol. I. II.

Et in - car -

Et in - car - na - tus

Et incarnatus • Mass in B Minor

J. S. Bach

PSALM 2

Why do the nations conspire,
and the peoples plot in vain?

The kings of the earth set themselves,
and the rulers take counsel together,
against the Lord and his anointed, saying,
'Let us burst their bonds asunder,
and cast their cords from us.'

He who sits in the heavens laughs;
the Lord has them in derision.
Then he will speak to them in his wrath,
and terrify them in his fury, saying,
'I have set my king on Zion, my holy hill.'

I will tell of the decree of the Lord:
He said to me, 'You are my son;

today I have begotten you.

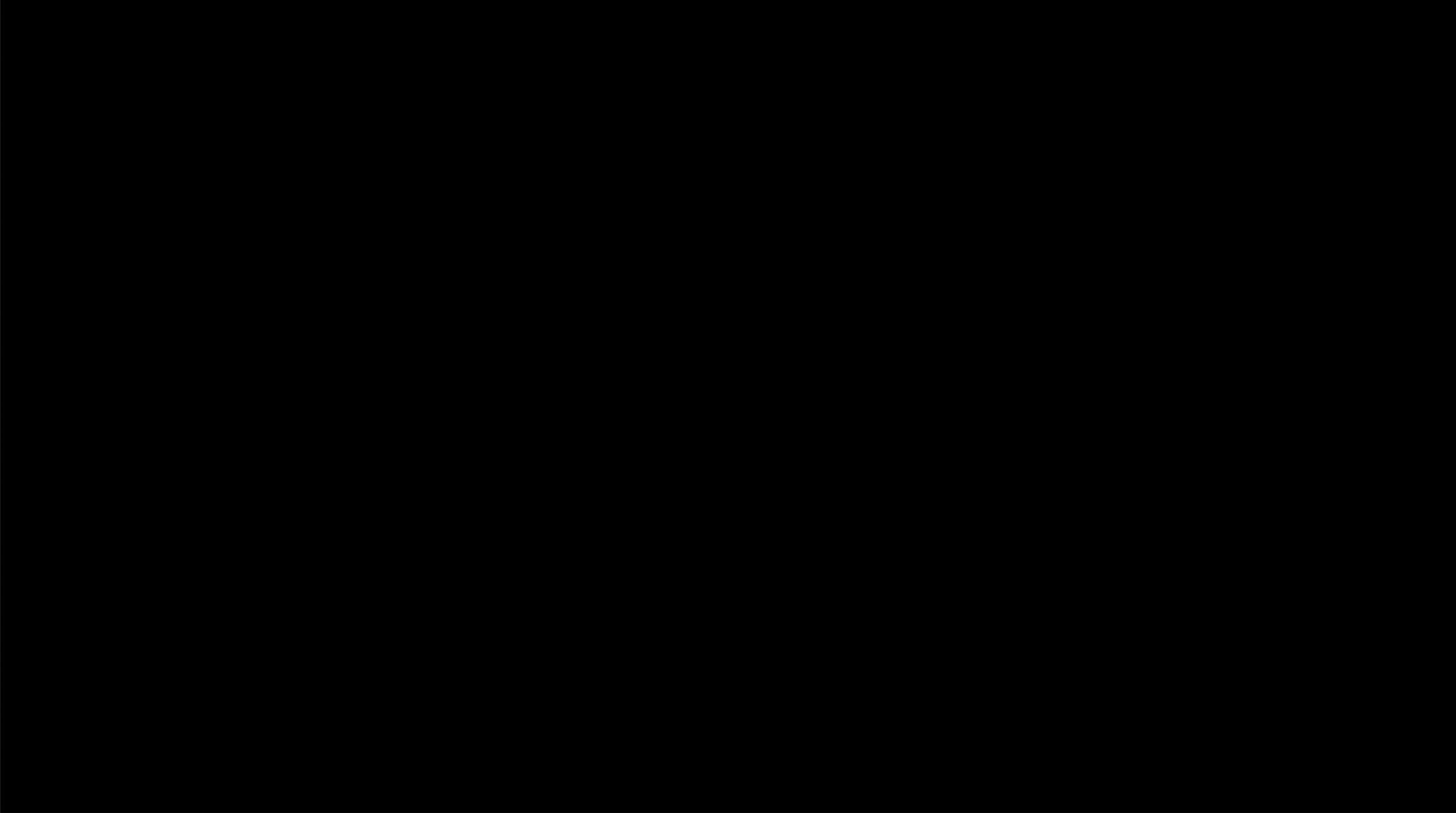
Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,
and the ends of the earth your possession.
You shall break them with a rod of iron,
and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.'

Now therefore, O kings, be wise;
be warned, O rulers of the earth.

**Serve the Lord with fear,
with trembling kiss his feet,**

or he will be angry, and you will perish in the way;
for his wrath is quickly kindled.

Happy are all who take refuge in him. (NRSV)



Warum toben die Heiden • Psalm 2

Felix Mendelssohn



Hurt • Johnny Cash
Trent Reznor











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