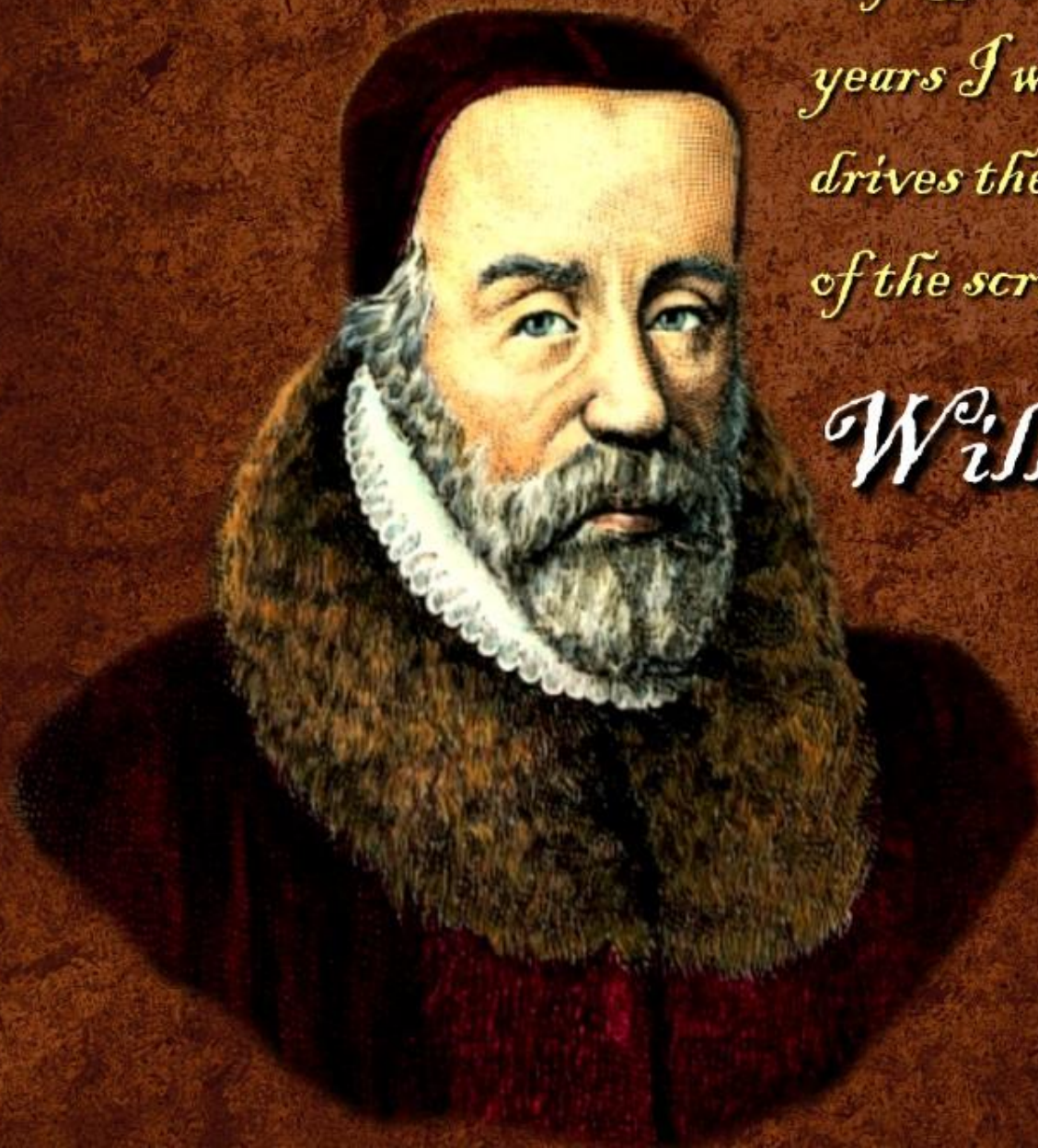




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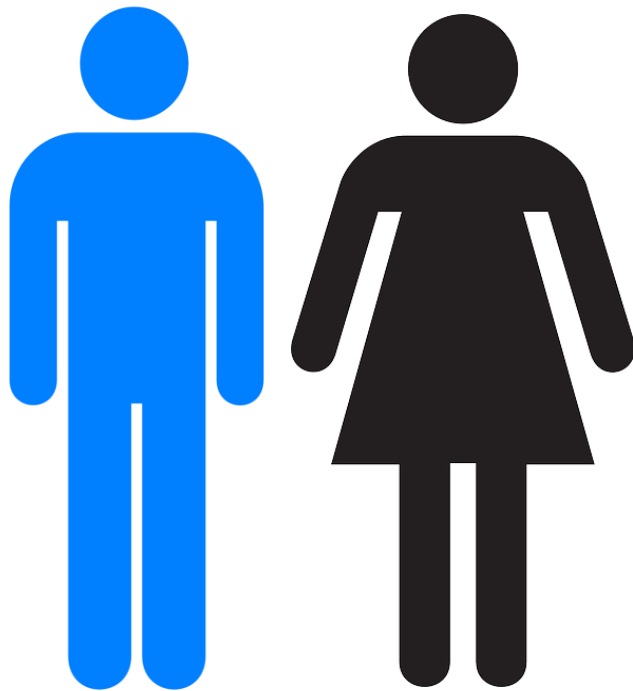
*"If God spare my life, ere many years I will cause a boy who drives the plough to know more of the scriptures than you do."*

*William Tyndale  
(1494-1536)*

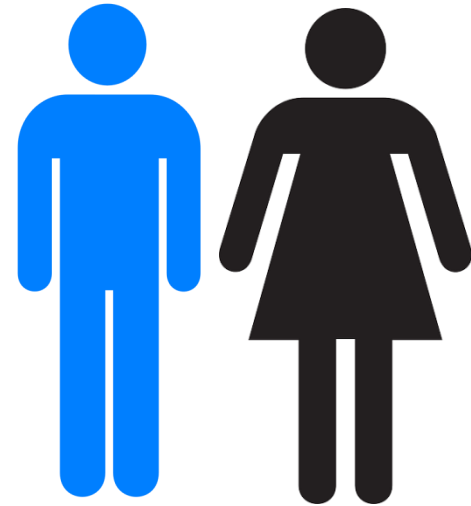
“Humans shall not live by bread  
alone but by every word that  
comes out of the mouth of the  
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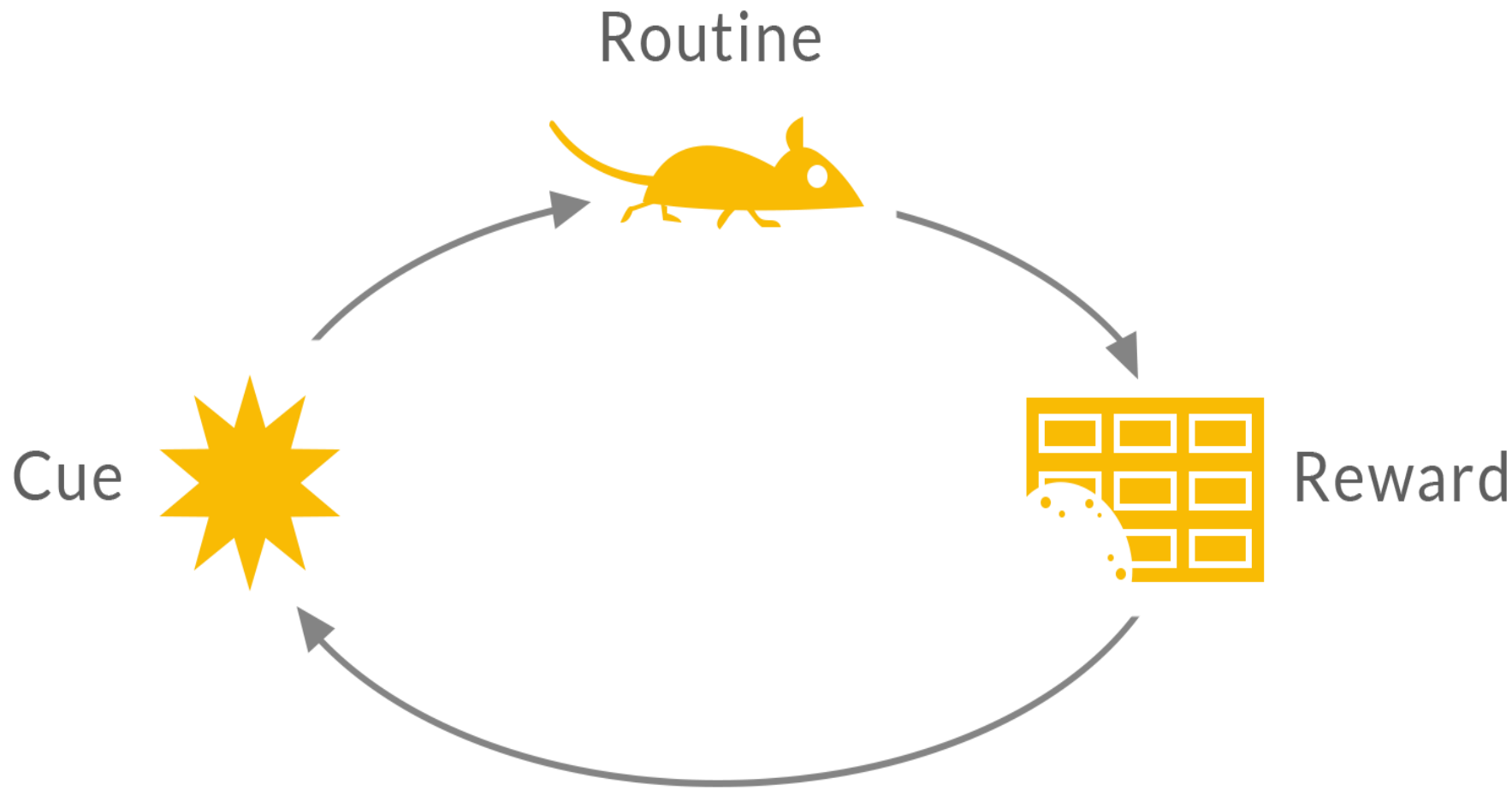
Jesus, quoting Moses.  
Matthew 4.4

Outer self (body)



Inner self (soul/spirit)





**THE HABIT LOOP**

**PROTECTION**

**CONNECTION**

**TRANSFORMATION**

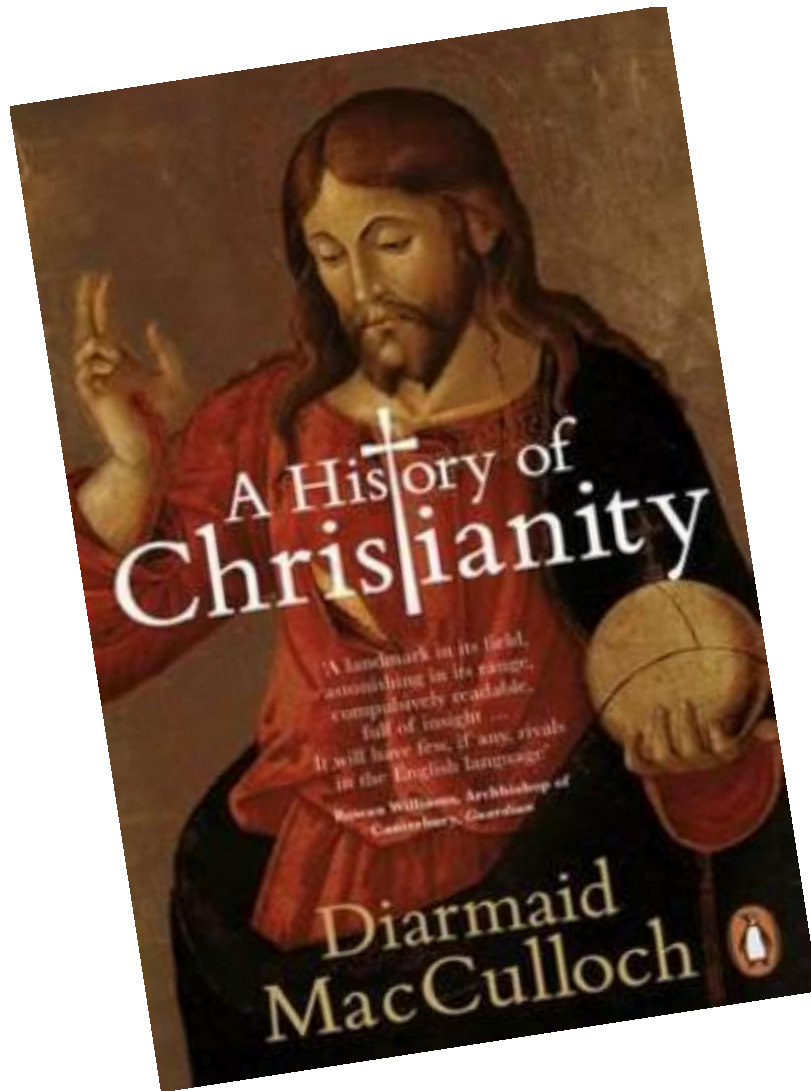
‘The Holy Scriptures are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work’.

Paul, 2 Timothy

# Obstacles: unbelief and distraction

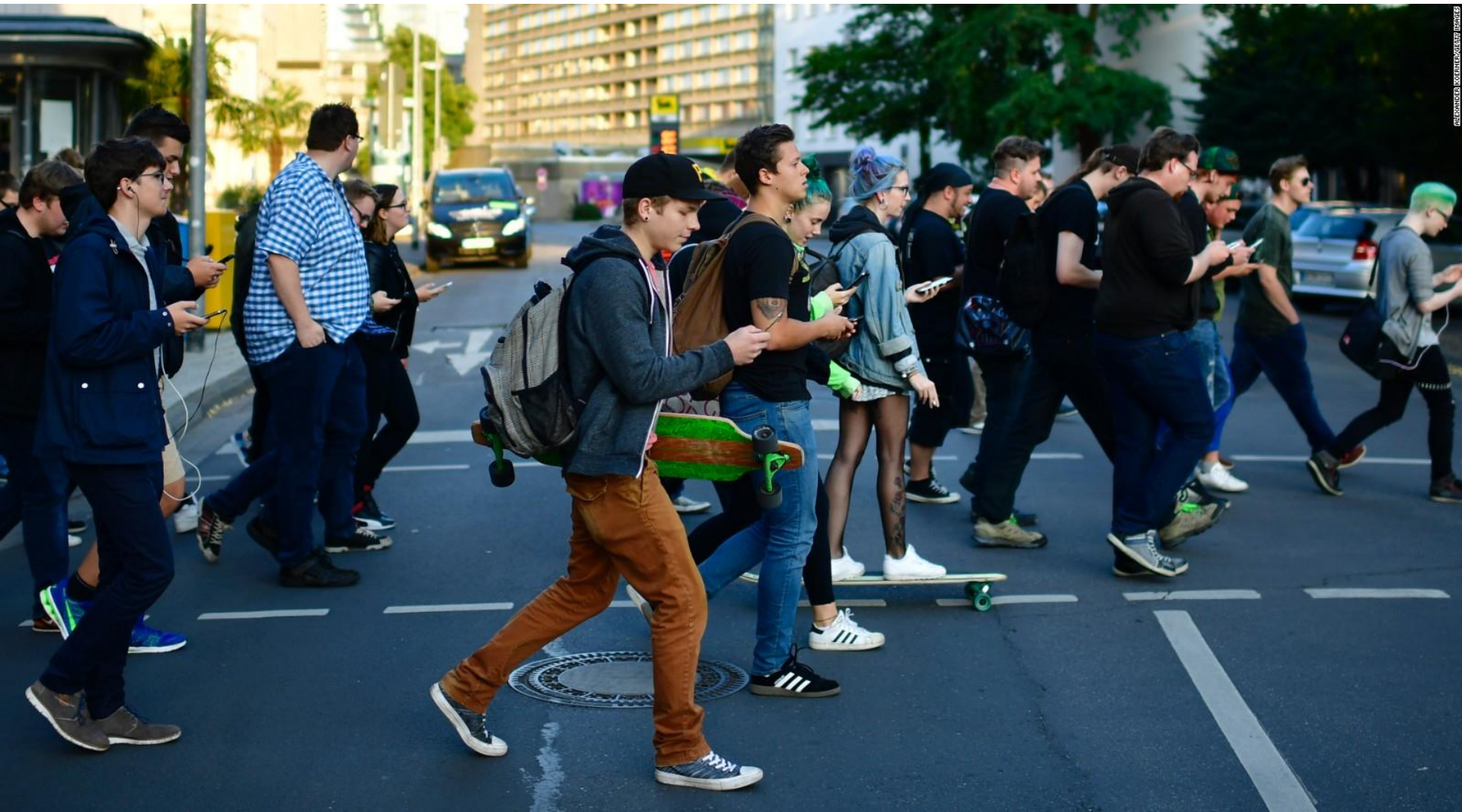






‘Scholars from a Western Christian or Enlightenment background have now spent more than two centuries trying to reach through the filters of the four gospels and the letters of Paul to find the ‘real’ Jesus and an ‘authentic’ version of what he actually said: it has been perhaps the most thoroughgoing and sophisticated analysis of any set of texts in the history of human thought’.

Diarmaid McCulloch, A History of Christianity





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