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OF

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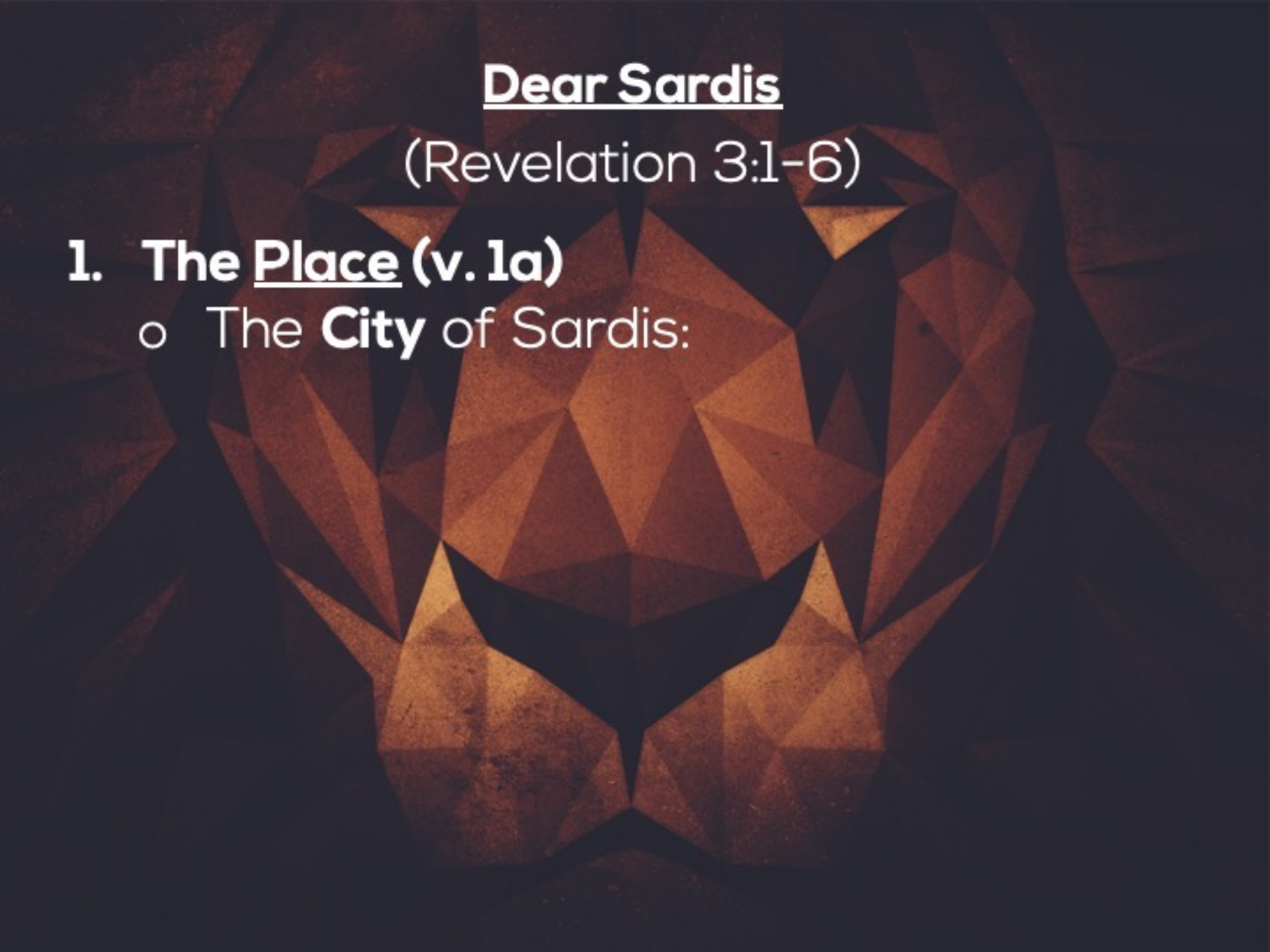
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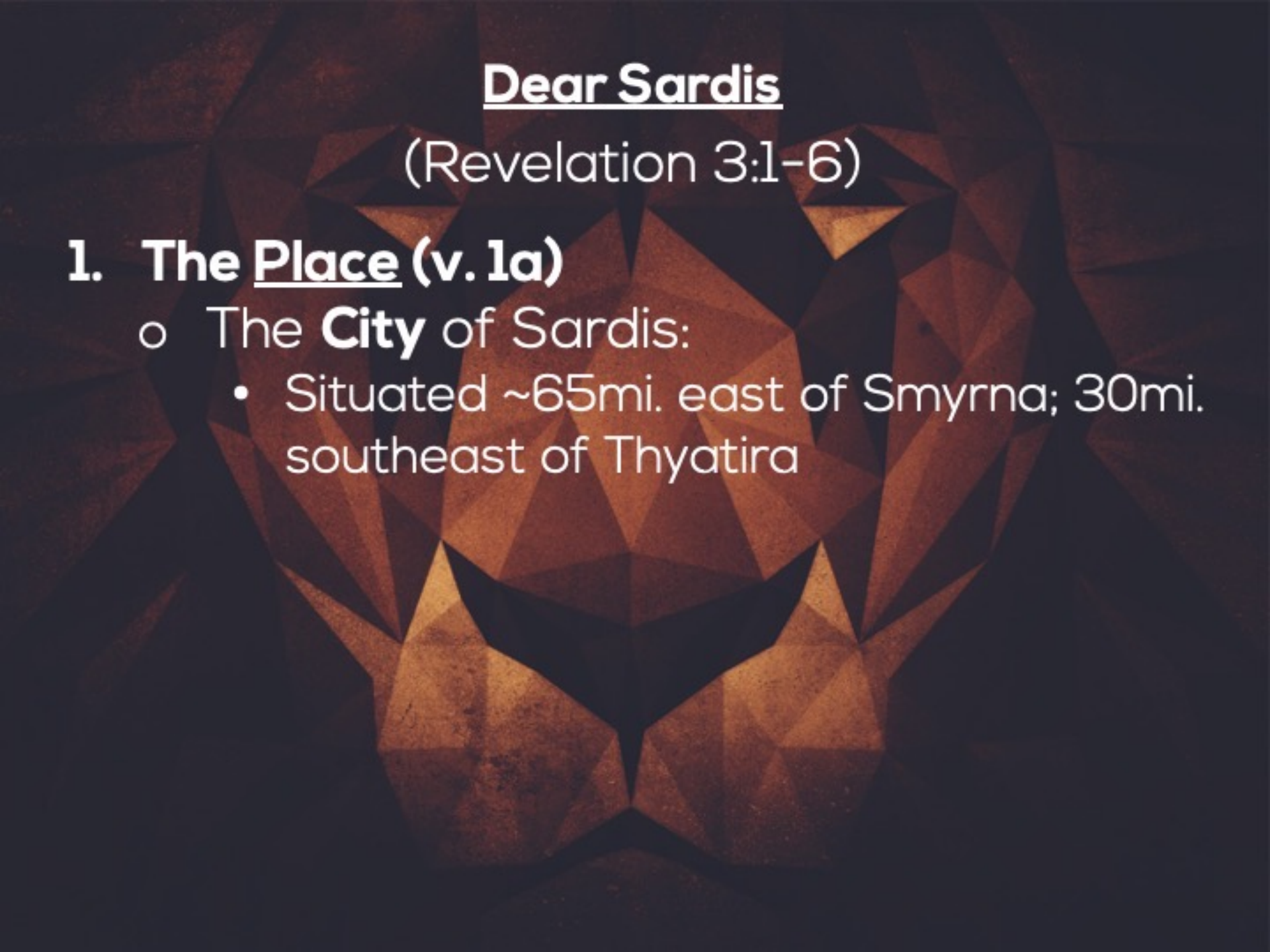
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 - Place of fame and wealth—first place gold/silver coins minted

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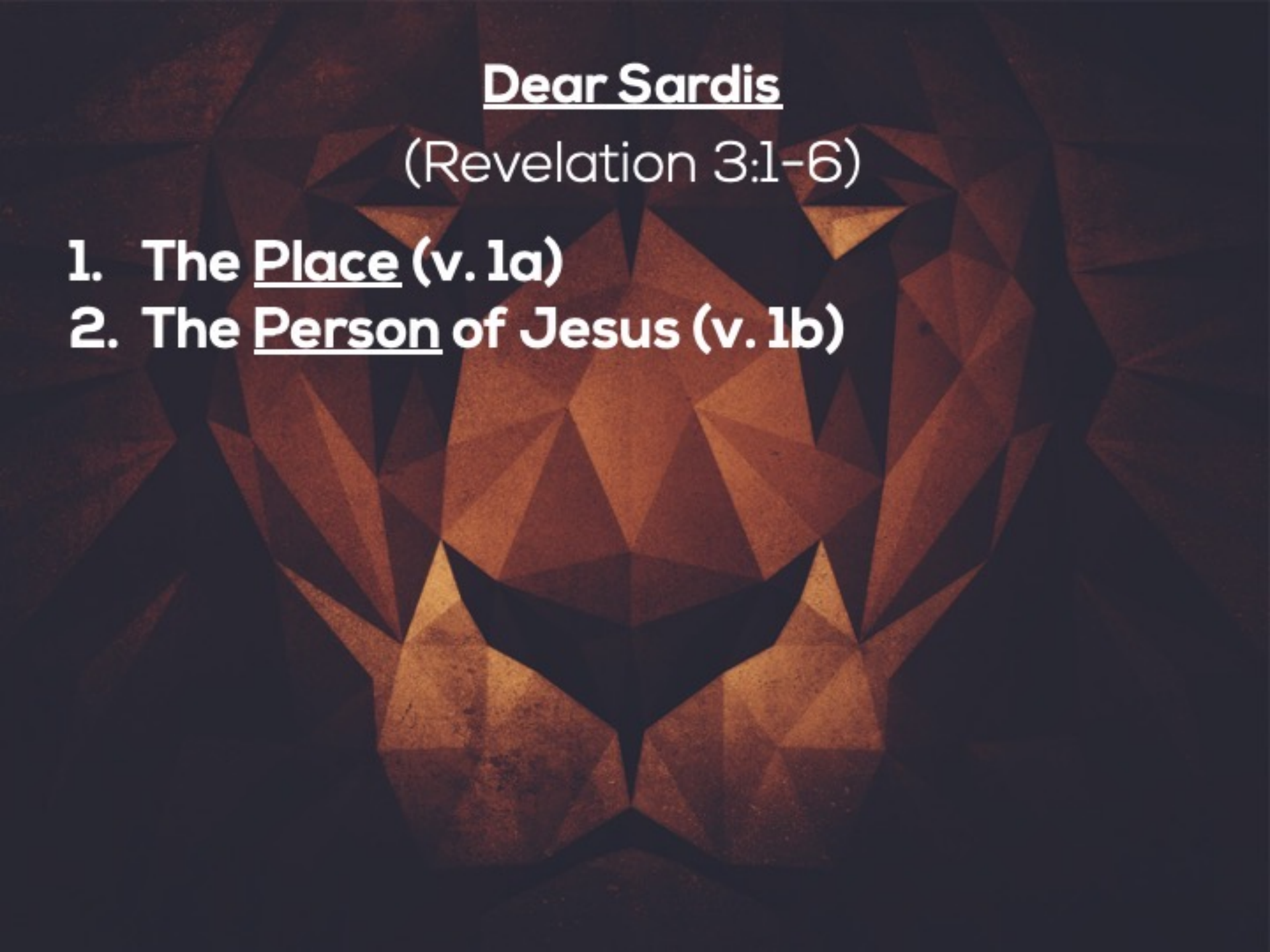


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"If the Holy Spirit was withdrawn from the church today, 95% of what we do would go on and no one would know the difference. If the Holy Spirit had been withdrawn from the New Testament church, 95% of what they did would stop, and everybody would know the difference." (**A.W. Tozer**)

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The most important part of a person/church is what God sees and knows to be true.

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- o Yet were spiritually dead.



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through a "faithful few."

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- *"I will confess your name before my father and angels."*

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