

BIBLE STUDY JOURNAL

To help you in your time in the Word.

Sermon Series: Ephesians - Unwrapping God's Masterpiece
Saylorville Church - Fall 2021





WELCOME.



We are excited you are serious about studying your Bible. This journal is designed to help you dive deeper into your own personal study of the Bible while sharing what God is teaching you alongside your community. At Saylorville Church, we value the importance of community which is why we say:

TOGETHER IS BETTER

Commit now to take ownership of your study of the Word and you will get the most out of this journal. Follow along with the regular Bible preaching here at Saylorville Church and use this format to take you deeper as it guides you in a thorough study of what you're hearing, reading and learning. This journal was made for you to go at your own pace and requires you do all the work, not anybody else. We pray you find joy in being obedient as you search and study the Word of God and discover all that God wants to teach you. We also greatly value obedience which is why we say:

SEE LITTLE AS BIG

Stick with it. The little steps make big differences. You will not regret learning to study the Word of God. On the next page are a few commitments that we think will help you succeed in your journey through this journal and beyond.



Work through these commitments by yourself or with your group to get the most out of your time using this journal.

(Complete at the beginning of the Sermon Series)

This is what I want to be true of me after completing this journal:

Here's what I must say "yes" to in order to be more like Jesus after completing this journal:

Here's what I must say "no" to in order to be more like Jesus after completing this journal:

I have shared these commitments with:

And we also thank God constantly for this,
that when you received the Word of God, which you heard from us,
you accepted it not as the word of men but as what it really is,
the Word of God, which is at work in you believers.

1 Thessalonians 2:13 ESV

COMMITMENT.

(What is your personal commitment)

RESOURCES.

(Ideas to help you)

Dive Deeper:

- Read the text repetitively.
- Listen to the passage on audio. (Dwell or YouVersion)
- Read the passage in different translations.
- Use the cross references in your margins.

Highlighting Ideas:

- Attributes of God
- Sinful actions or sin to avoid
- Commands to obey
- Prophecies of Jesus/Pictures of Jesus
- Verses to pray
- God's promises to His people

Trusted Study Bibles & Commentaries:

- ESV Study Bible
- MacArthur Study Bible
- NIV Study Bible
- Wiersbe Commentaries
- MacArthur Commentaries
- The New Matthew Henry Commentary

RESOURCES.

(Places to go for more)



The Bible Project

Short video about the historical context and theme of Ephesians.



Bible Hub

Use for other translations and looking up Greek & Hebrew.



Precept Austin

Great for looking up commentary and sermons on passages.



Study Light

Online New Testament Word Dictionary

ATTRIBUTES.

(To help you remember who God is)

Eternal
Faithful
Glorious
Good
Gracious
Holy
Jealous
Sovereign
Wise
Just
Love
Merciful
Patient
Righteous
True
Never Changing
All-Powerful
Present Everywhere
All-Knowing

All of Scripture points to Who God is, not just what He does.
Whenever you read a passage, look for Him before asking how this relates to you.
The Bible is a book about God! Sometimes it is obvious, sometimes not.
The more you look for His character, the more you start to see it in every passage.



**OKAY. LET'S
GET STARTED.**



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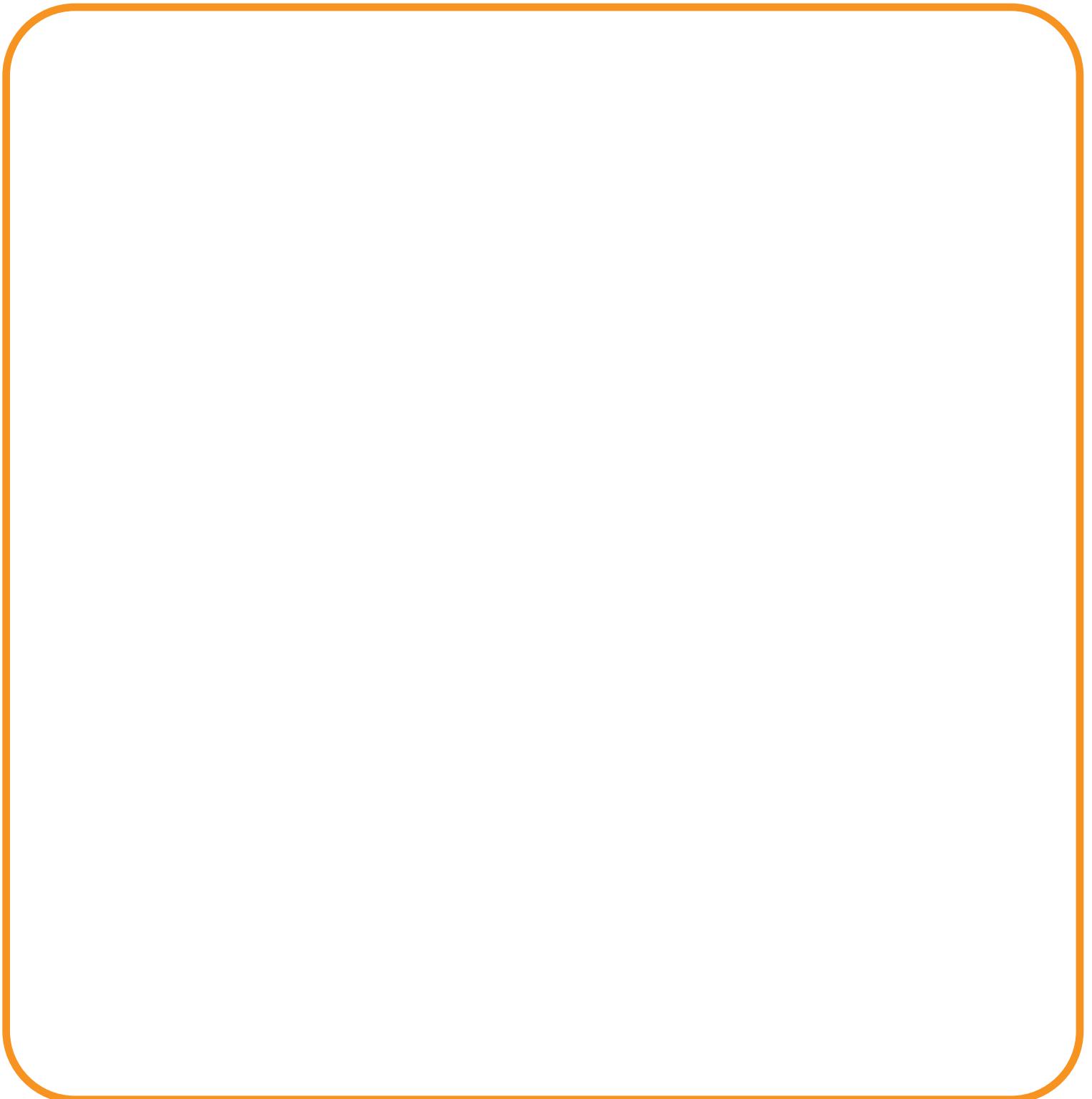
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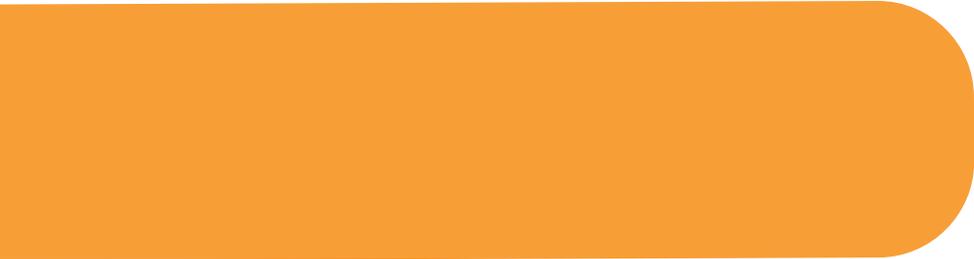
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(How does this change me)



**YOUR WORD IS A
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PSALM 119:105 ESV



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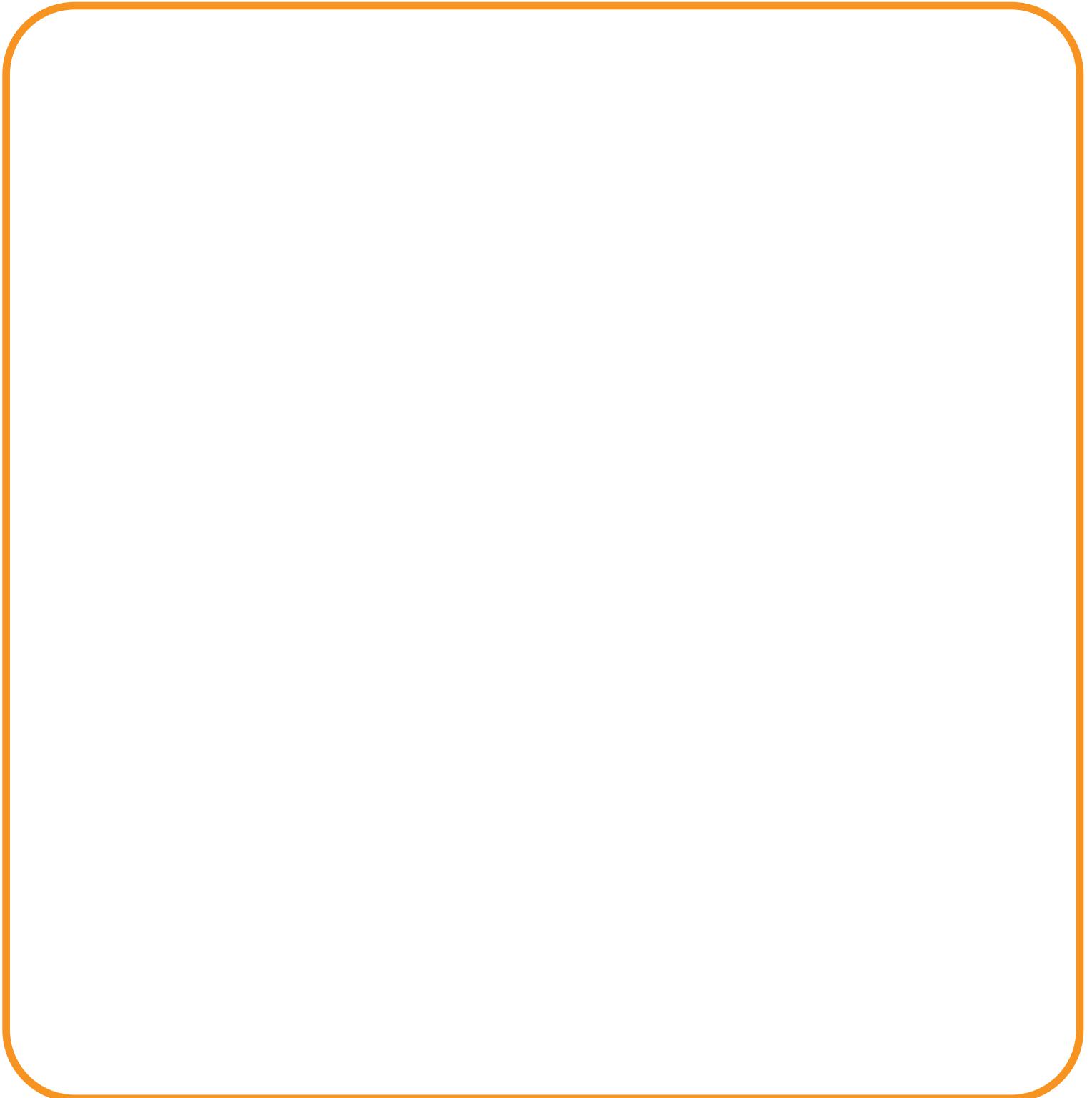
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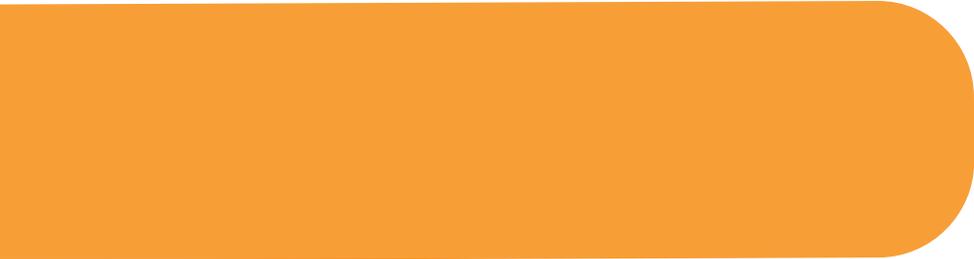
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**THE GRASS WITHERS,
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ISAIAH 40:8 ESV



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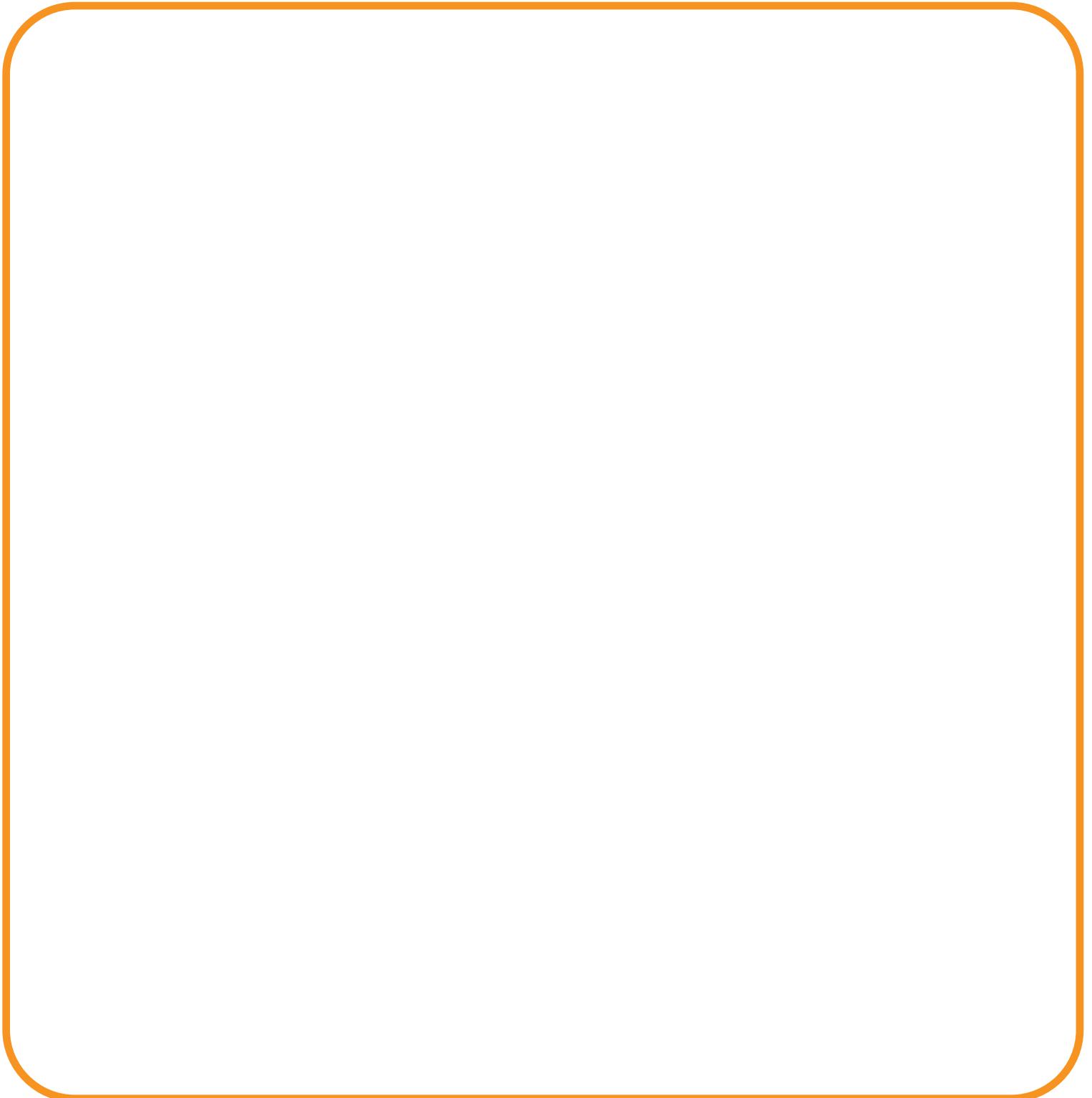
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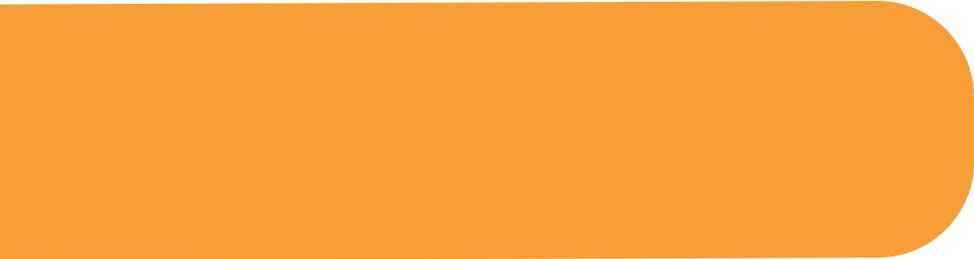
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**HOW CAN A YOUNG MAN
KEEP HIS WAY PURE?
BY GUARDING IT ACCORDING
TO YOUR WORD**

PSALM 119:9 ESV



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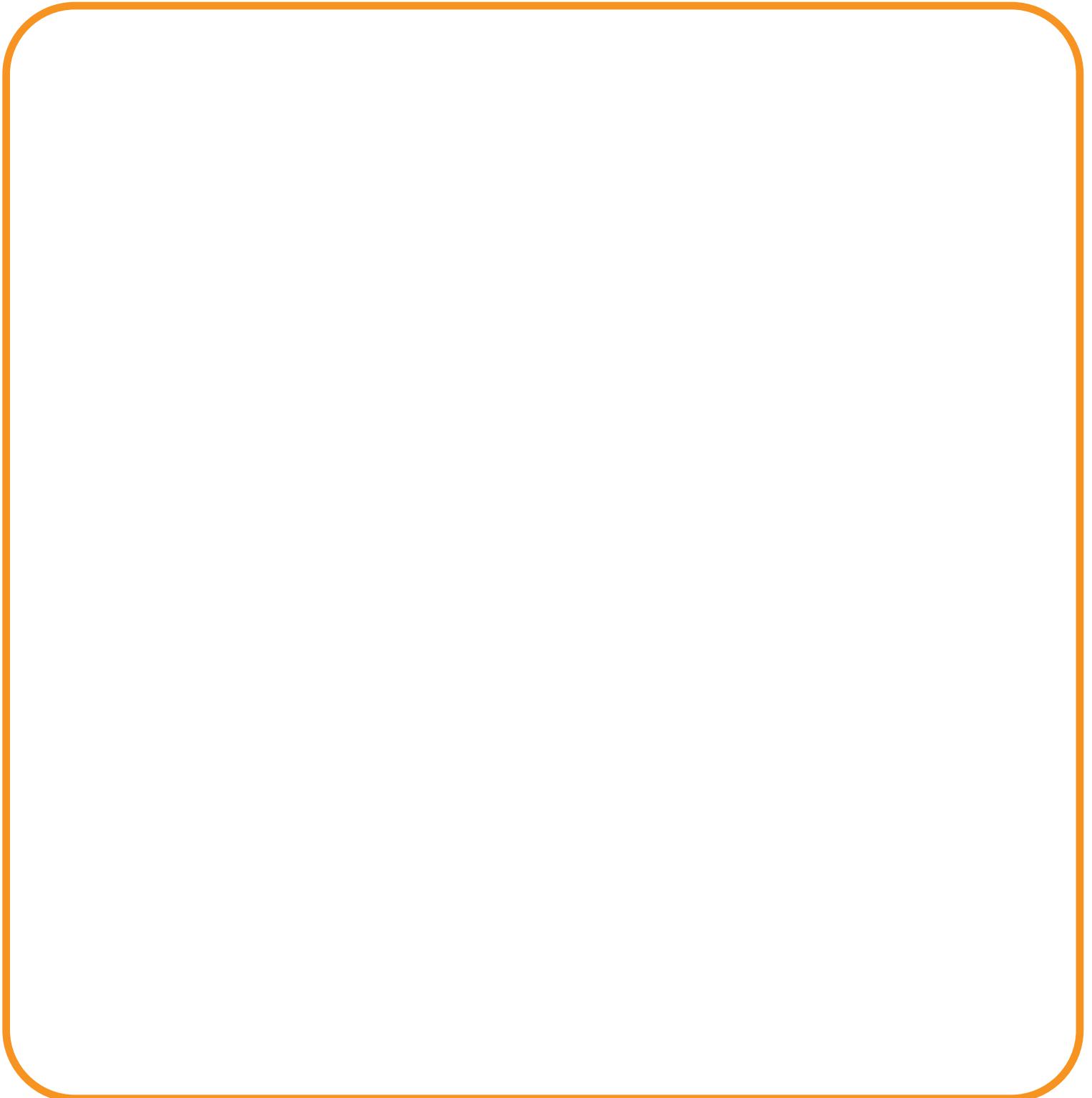
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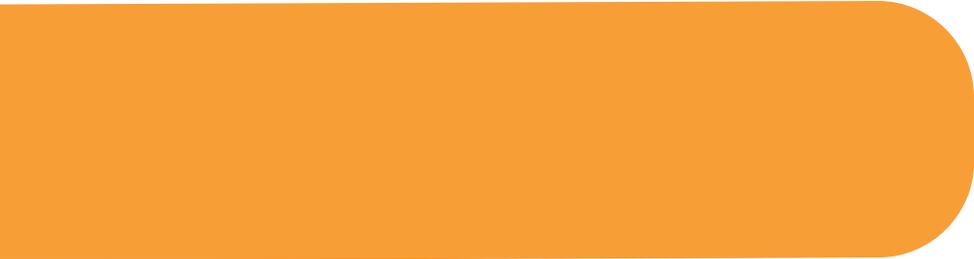
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**THIS GOD—HIS WAY IS PERFECT;
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PSALM 18:30 ESV



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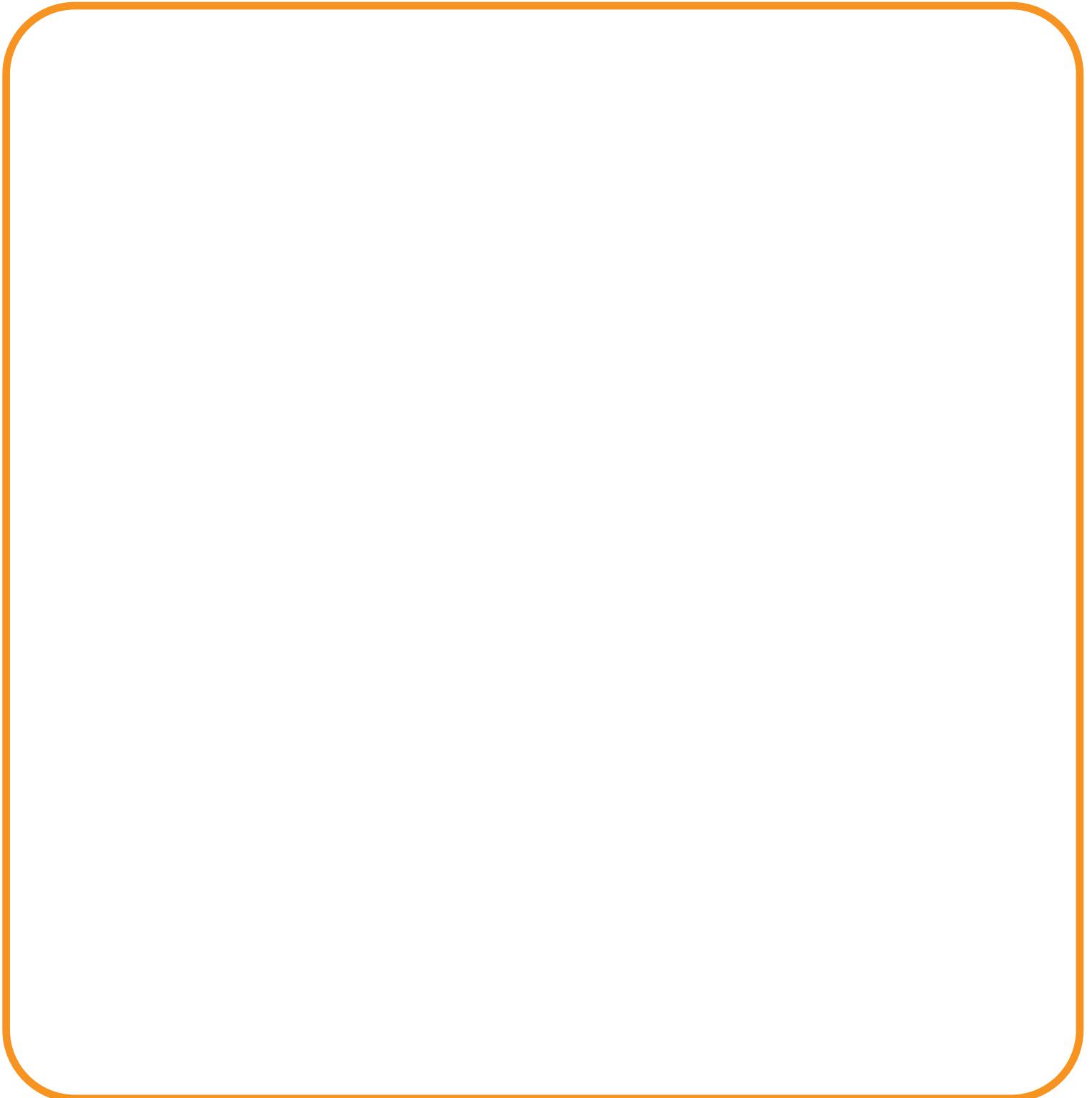
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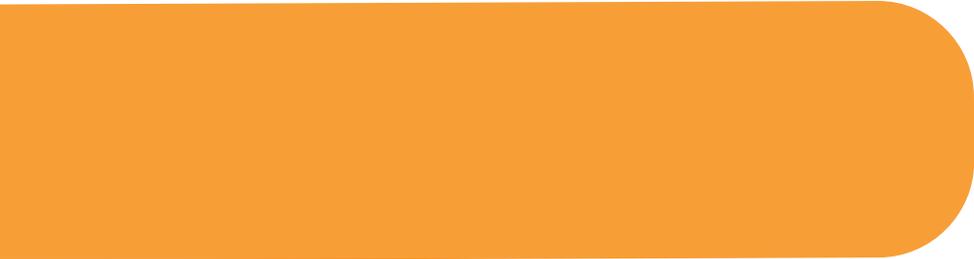
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**HEAVEN AND EARTH WILL
PASS AWAY, BUT MY
WORDS WILL NOT PASS AWAY.**

MATTHEW 25:35 ESV



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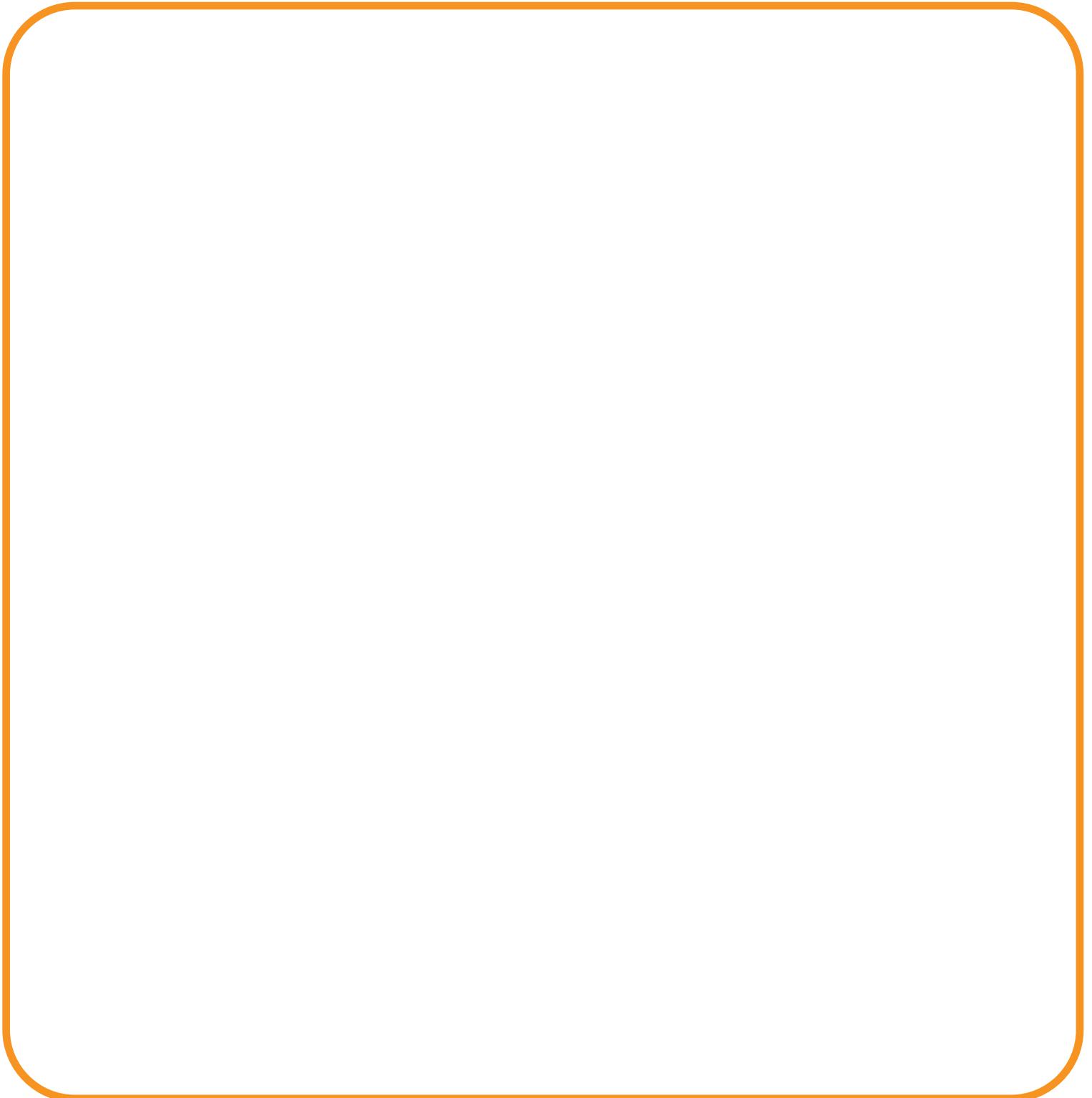
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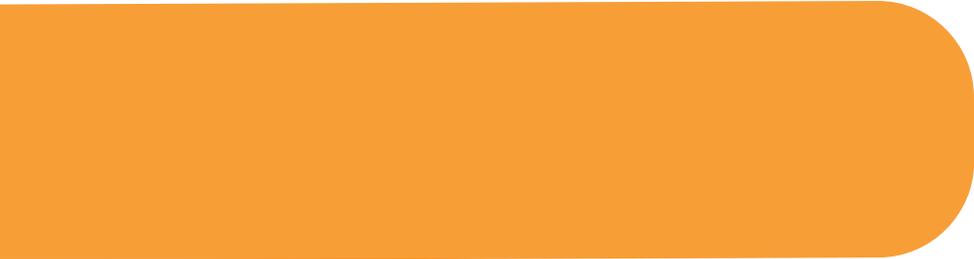
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**BUT BE DOERS OF THE WORD,
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JAMES 1:22 ESV



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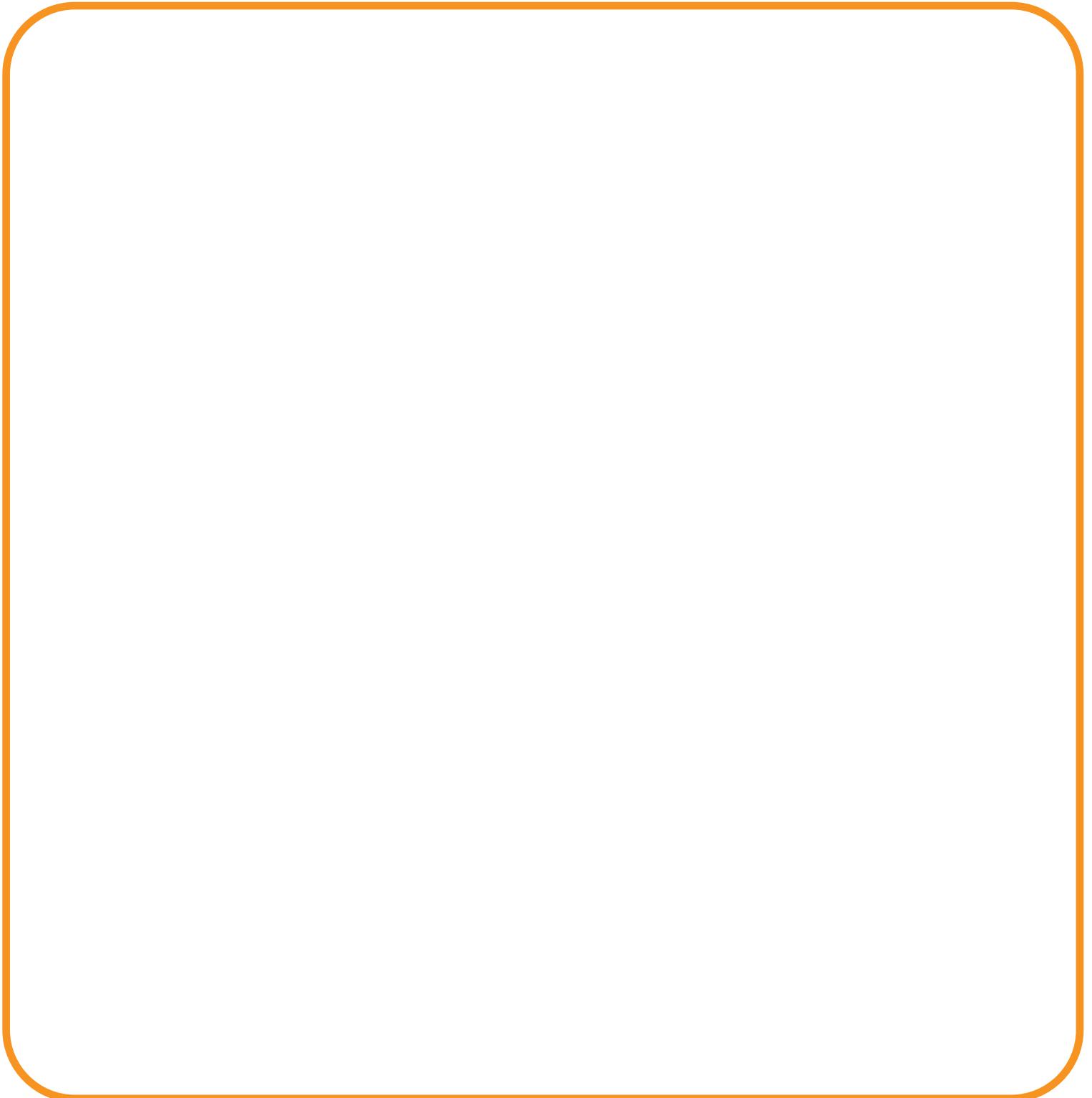
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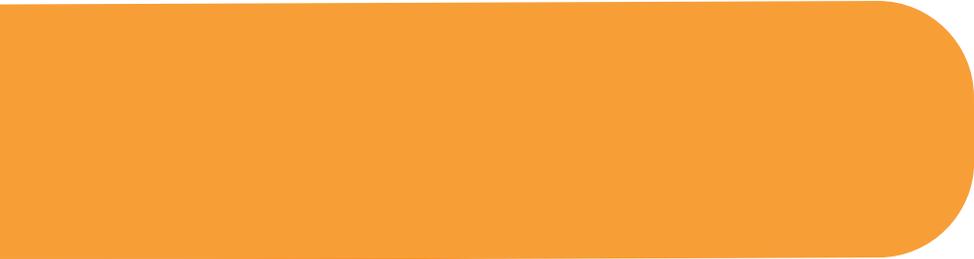
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PSALM 119:130 ESV



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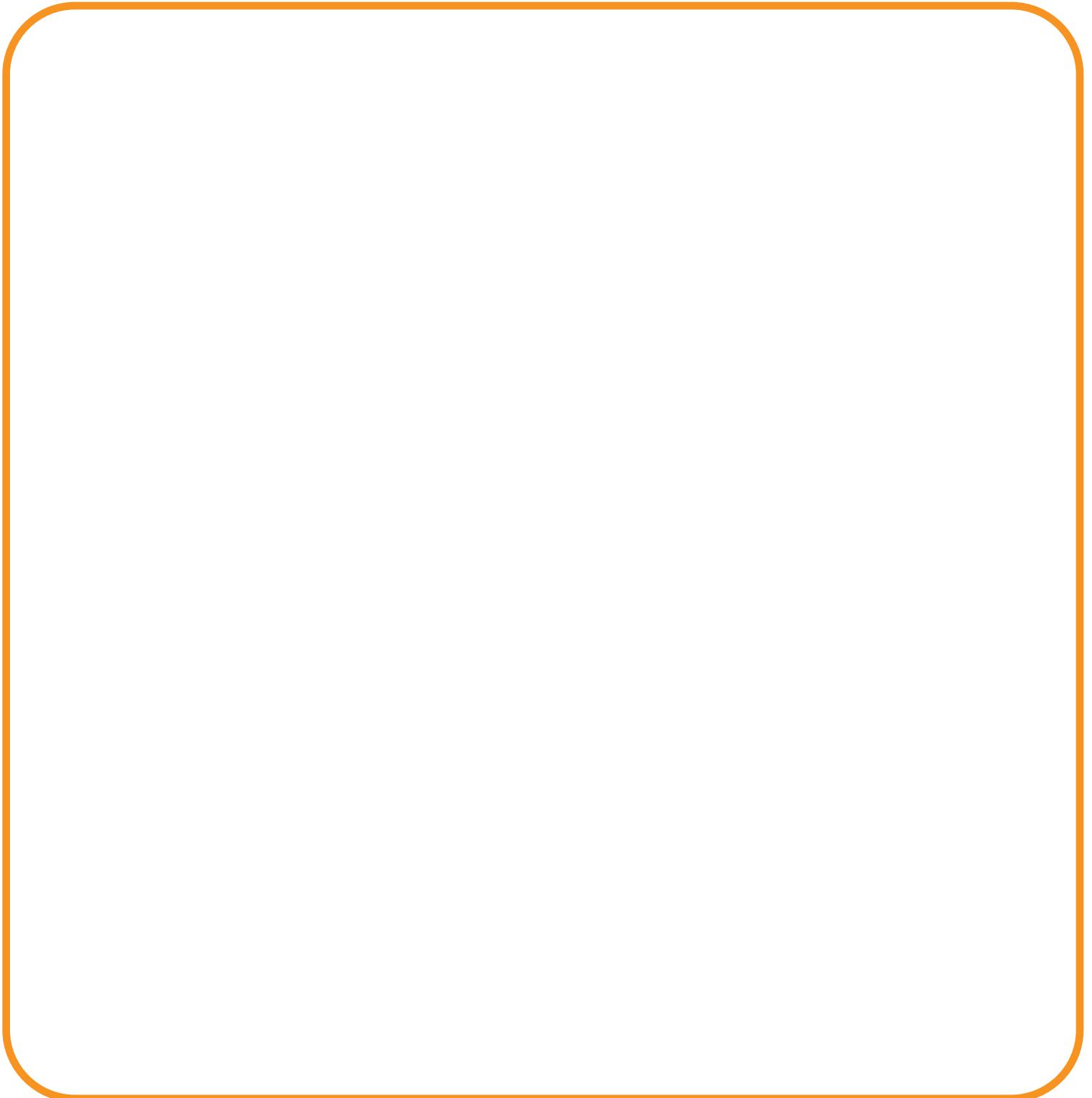
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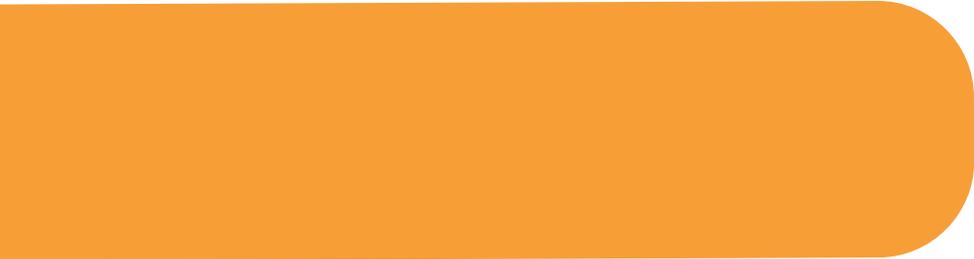
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PROVERBS 30:5 ESV



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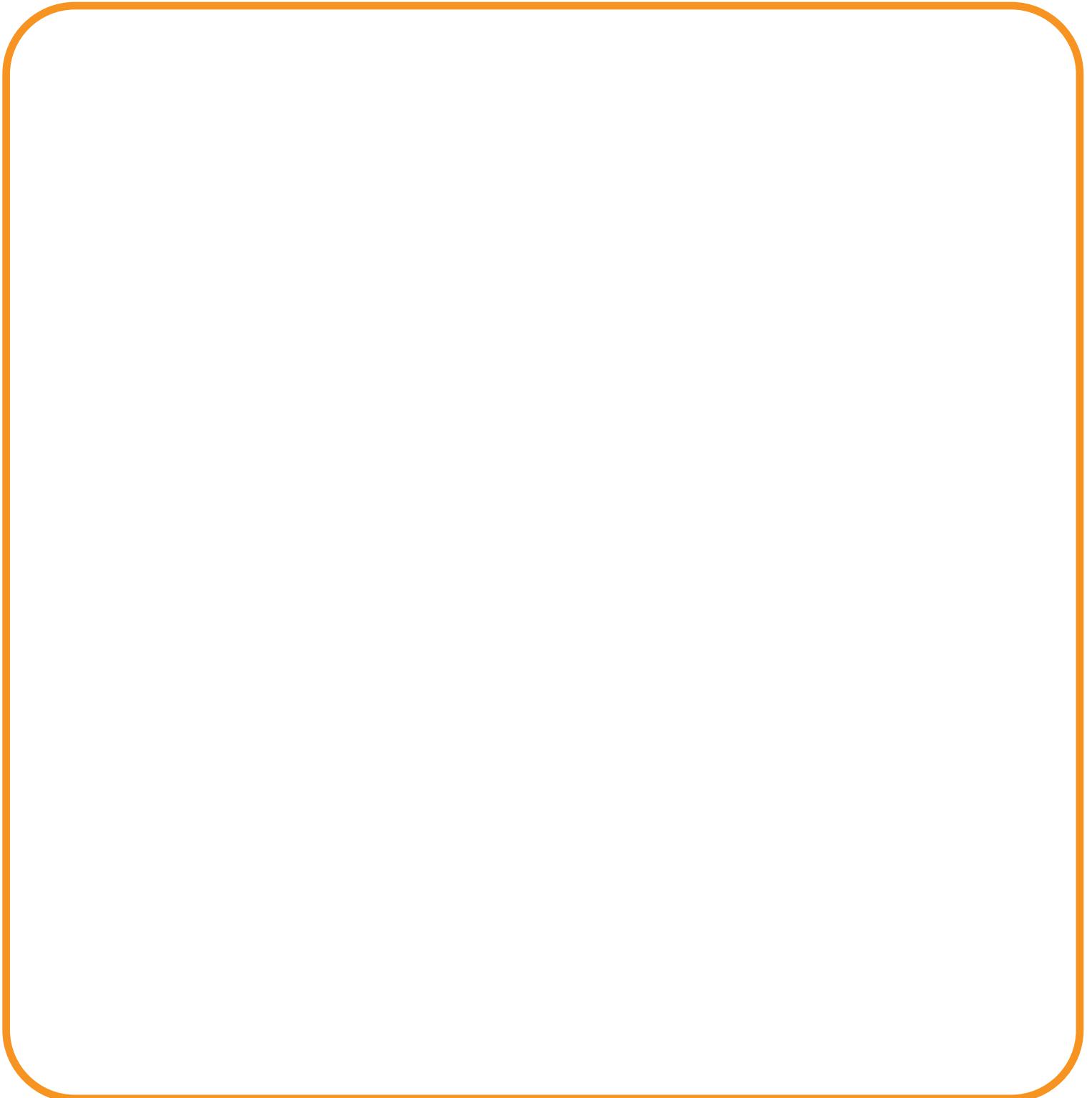
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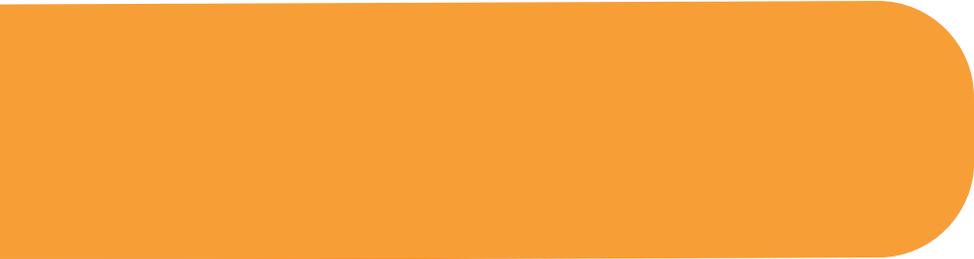
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(How does this change me)



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PSALM 19:7 ESV



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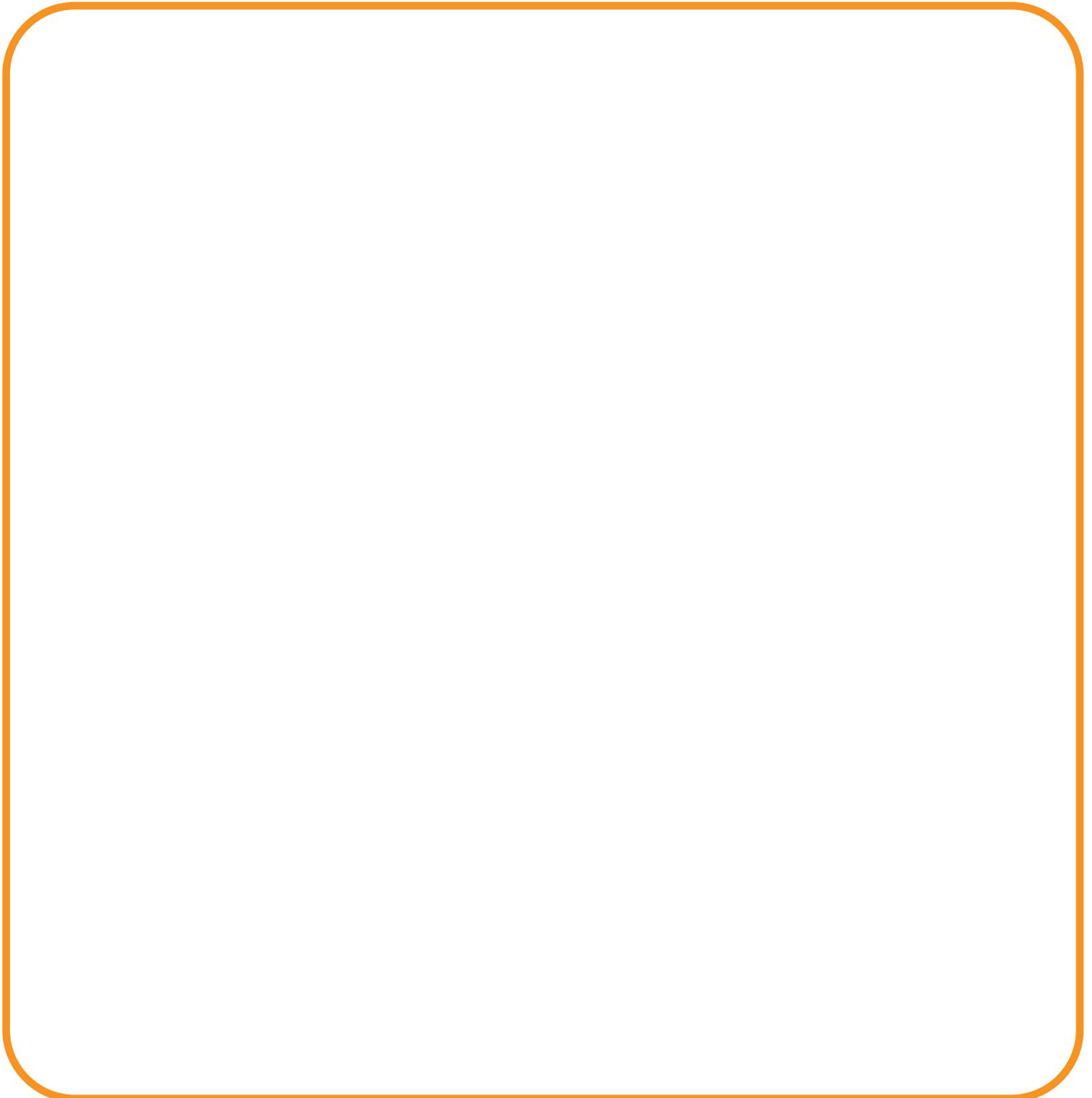
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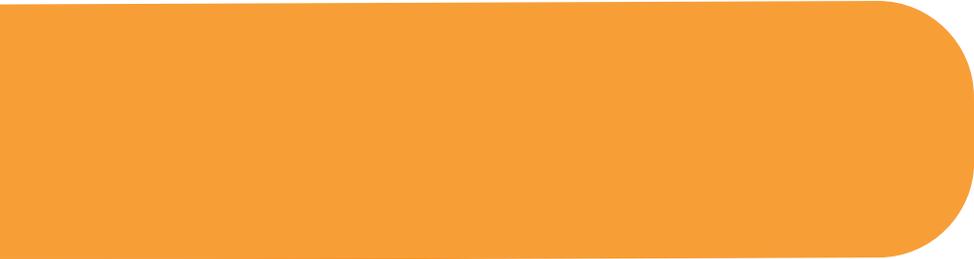
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2 TIMOTHY 3:16-17 ESV



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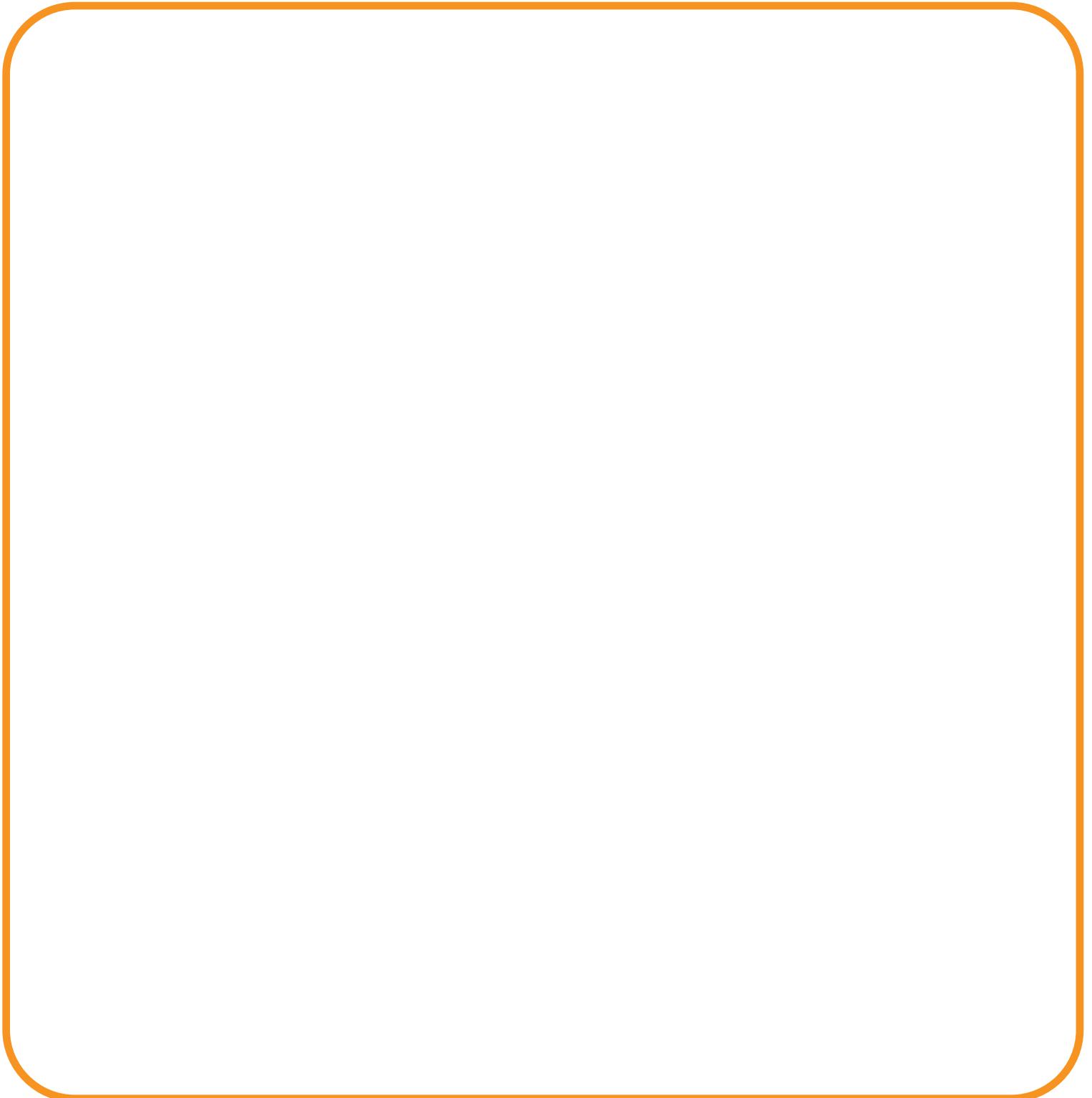
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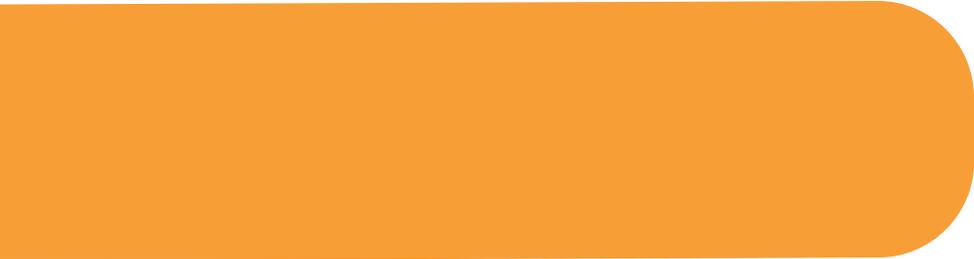
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**SANCTIFY THEM IN THE TRUTH;
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JOHN 17:17 ESV



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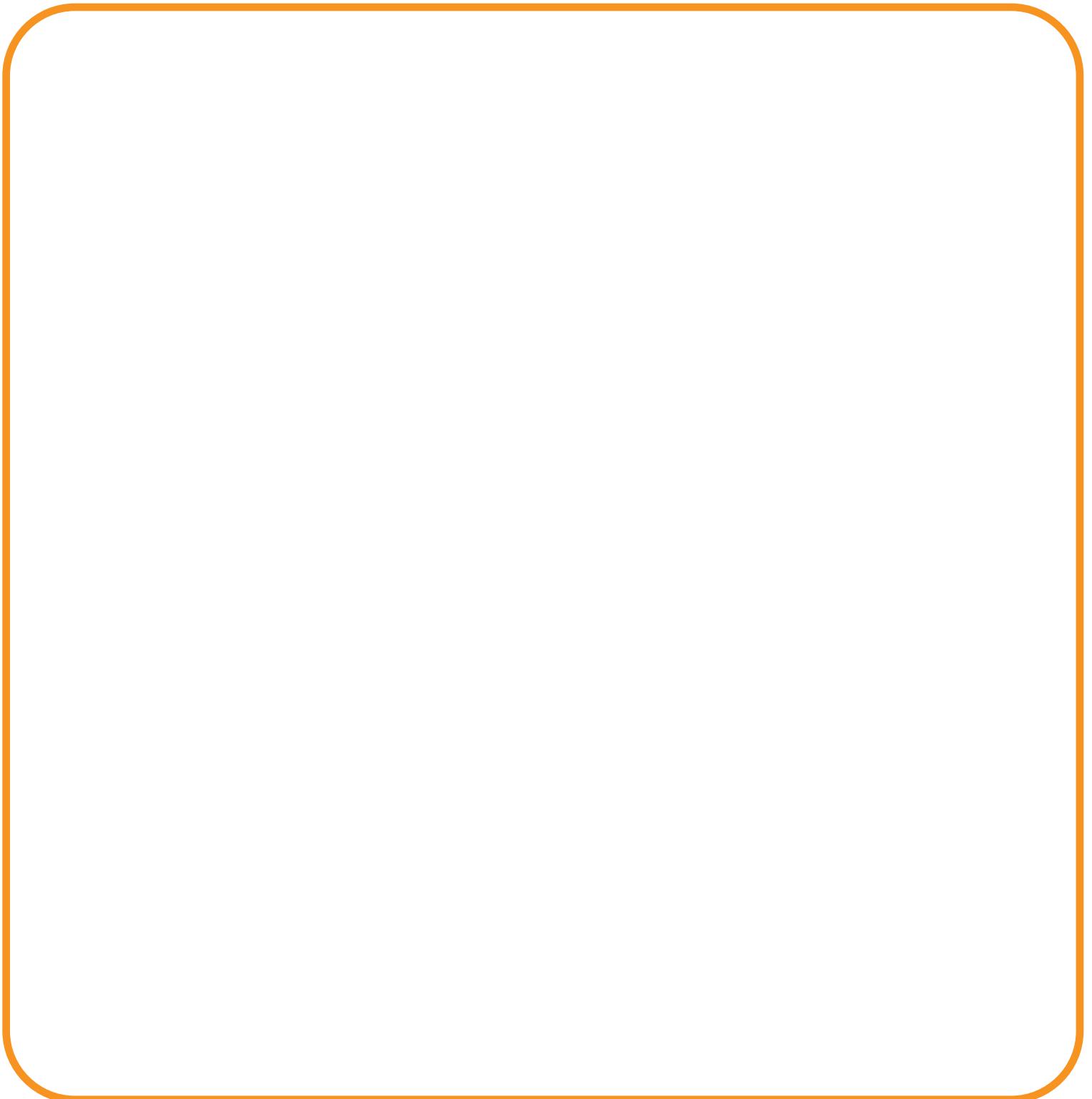
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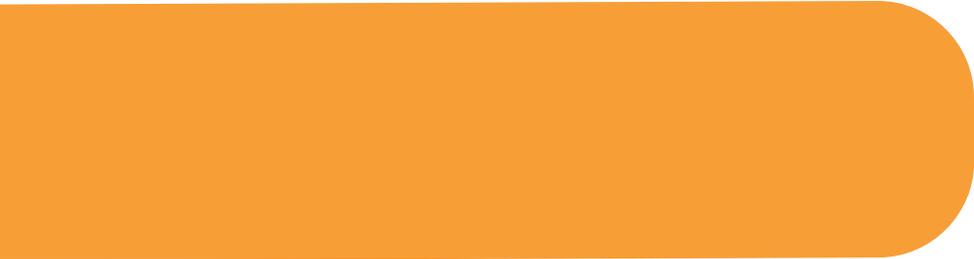
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**TEACH ME, LORD, THE WAY OF
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PSALM 119:33 ESV



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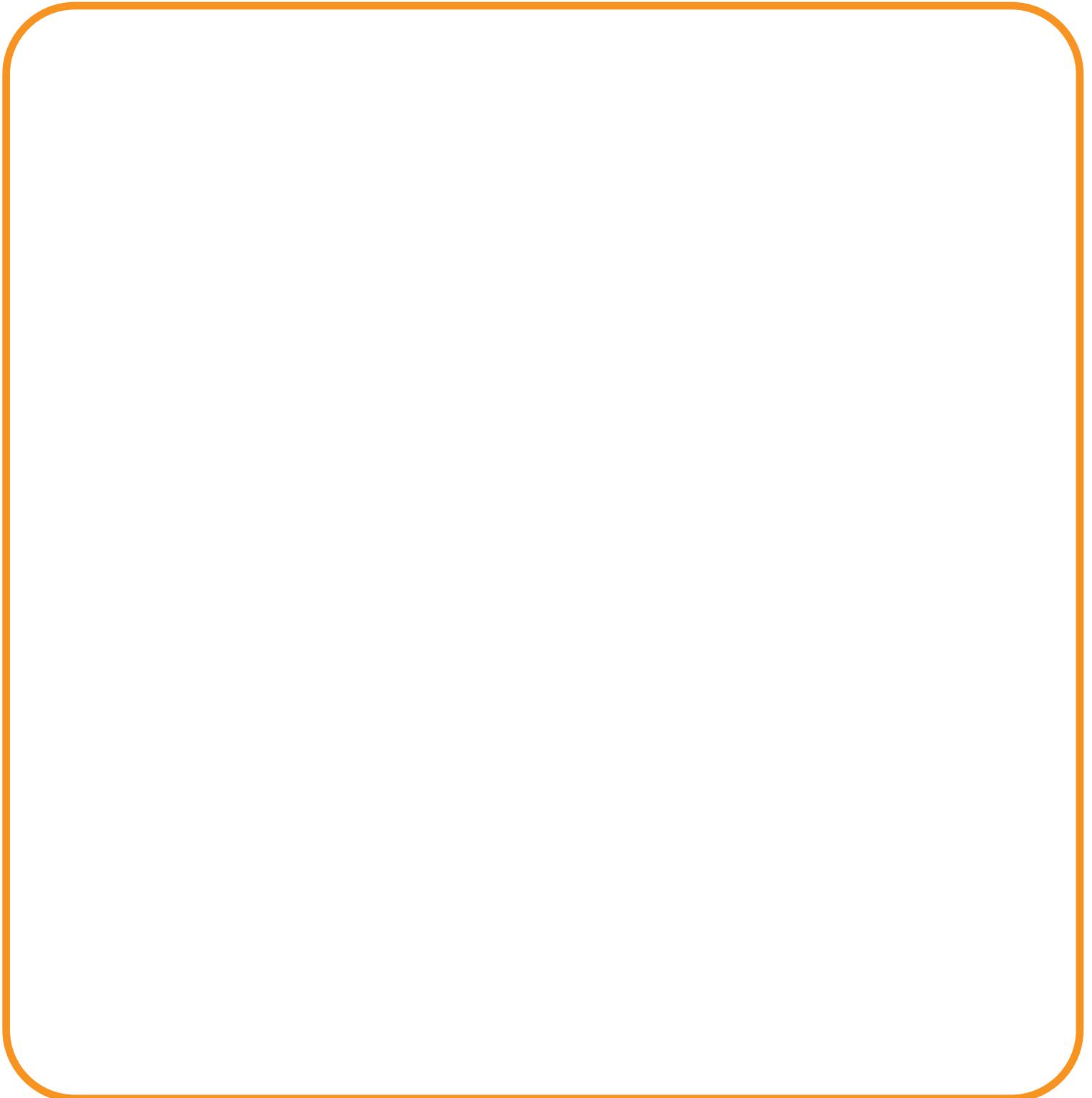
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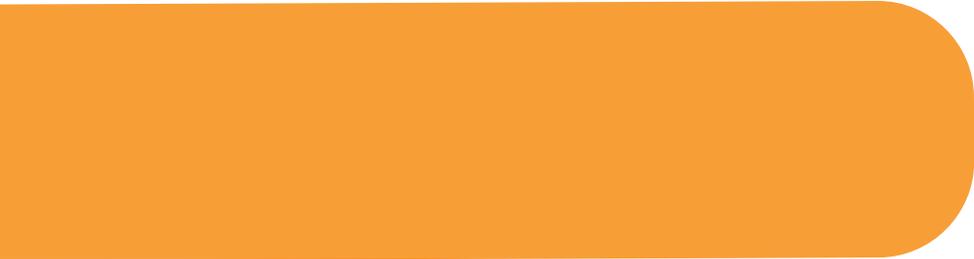
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PSALM 119:97 ESV



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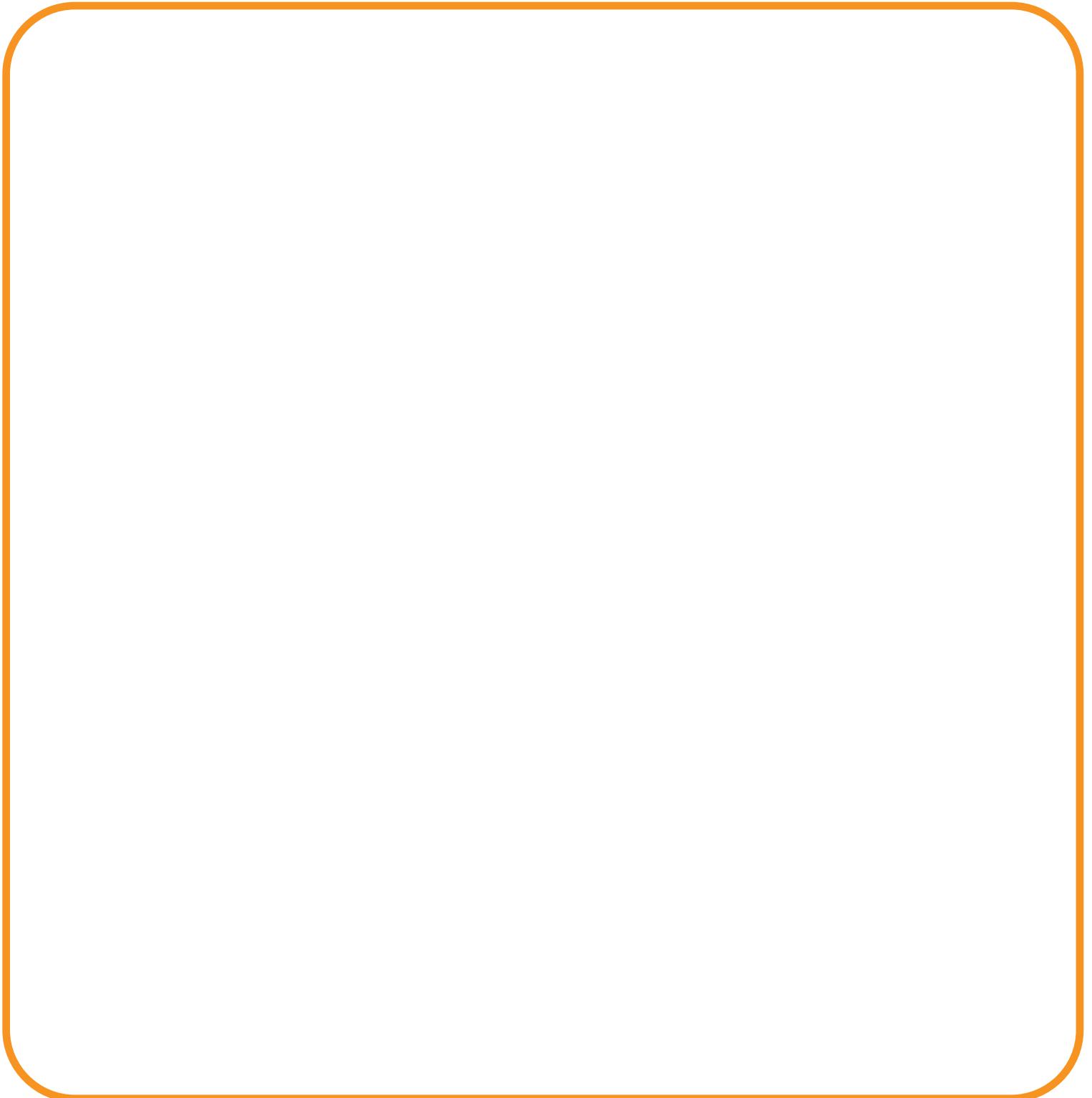
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PSALM 119:73 ESV



MORE LIKE JESUS.

(How am I becoming more like Jesus)

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