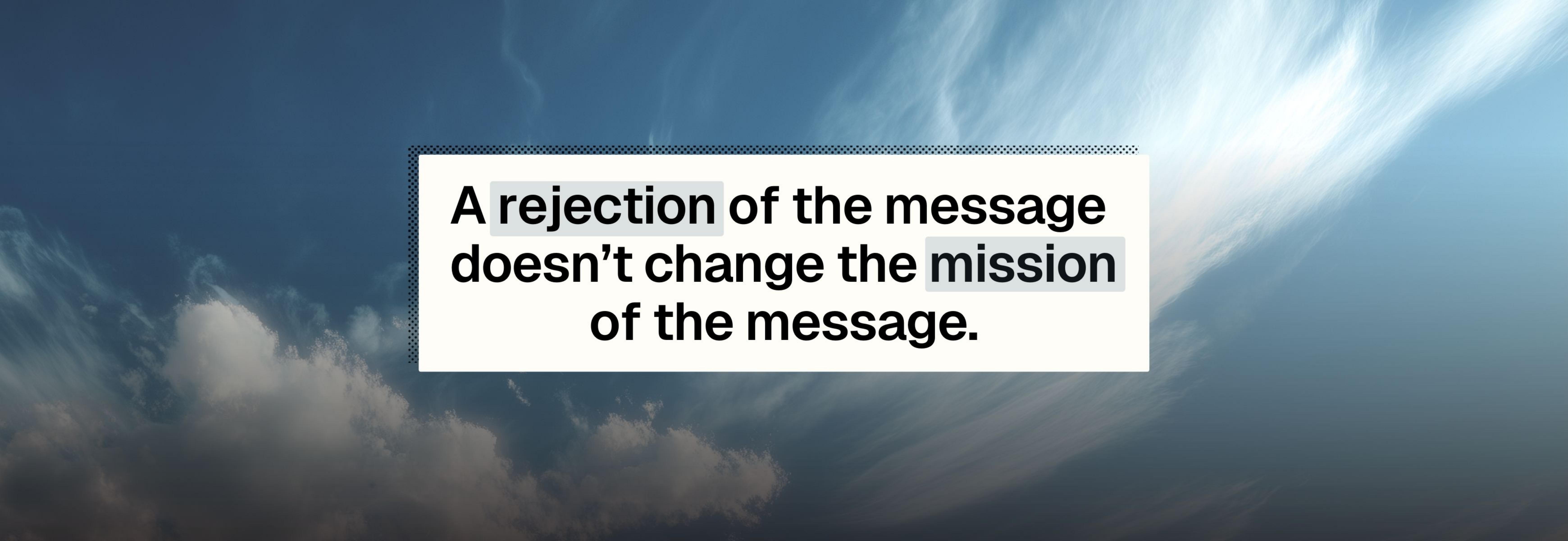


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“The God of the people of Israel chose our ancestors; he made the people prosper during their stay in Egypt; with mighty power he led them out of that country;<sup>18</sup> for about forty years he endured their conduct in the wilderness;<sup>19</sup> and he overthrew seven nations in Canaan, giving their land to his people as their inheritance.<sup>20</sup> All this took about 450 years. After this, God gave them judges until the time of Samuel the prophet.

ACTS 13:17-23 NIV

<sup>21</sup> Then the people asked for a king, and he gave them Saul son of Kish, of the tribe of Benjamin, who ruled forty years. <sup>22</sup> After removing Saul, he made David their king. God testified concerning him: ‘I have found David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart; he will do everything I want him to do.’ <sup>23</sup> From this man’s descendants God has brought to Israel the Savior Jesus, as he promised.”

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“Fellow children of Abraham and you God-fearing Gentiles, it is to us that this message of salvation has been sent.<sup>27</sup> The people of Jerusalem and their rulers did not recognize Jesus, yet in condemning him they fulfilled the words of the prophets that are read every Sabbath.<sup>28</sup> Though they found no proper ground for a death sentence, they asked Pilate to have him executed.<sup>29</sup> When they had carried out all that was written about him, they took him down from the cross and laid him in a tomb.<sup>30</sup> But God raised him from the dead,<sup>31</sup> and for many days he was seen by those who had traveled with him from Galilee to Jerusalem. They are now his witnesses to our people.”

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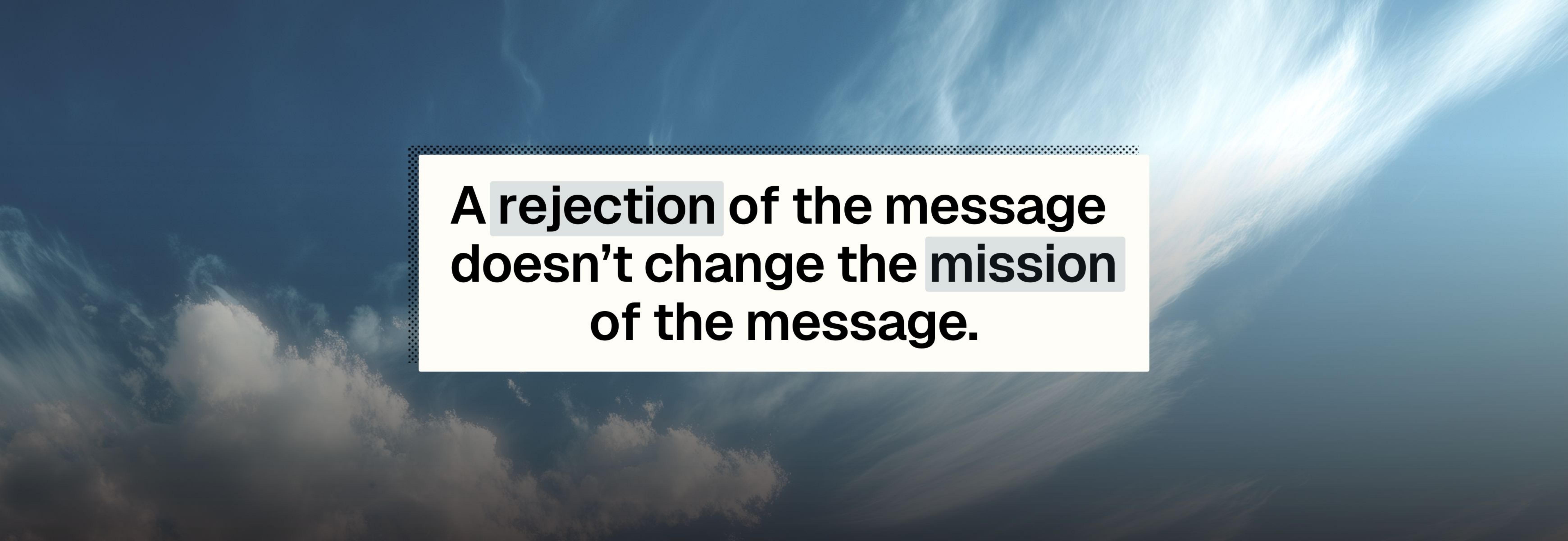
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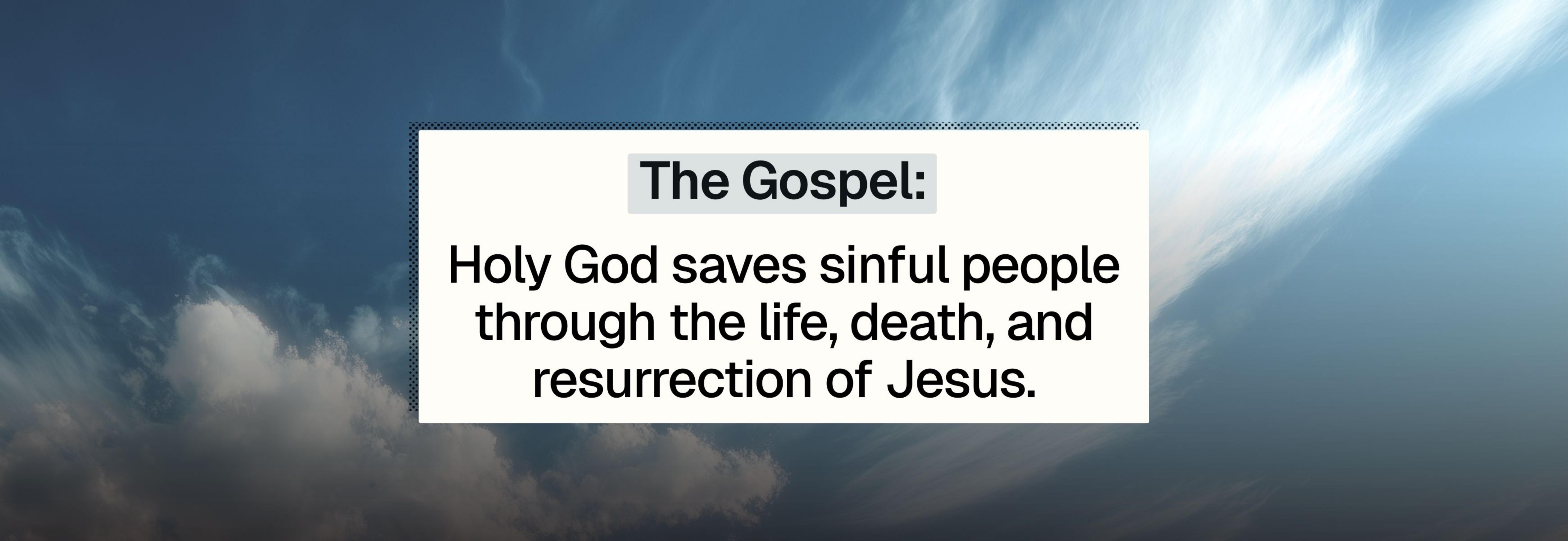
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ROMANS 1:16 NIV

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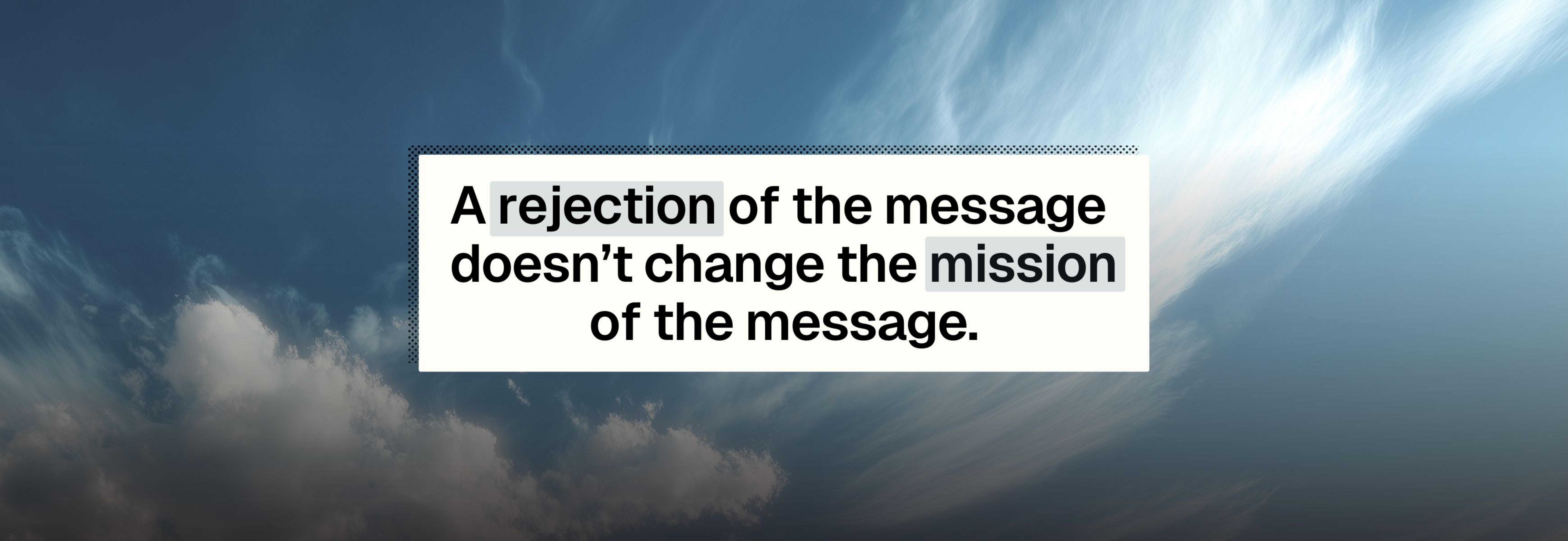
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**The word of the Lord spread through the whole region.<sup>50</sup> But the Jewish leaders incited** the God-fearing women of high standing and the leading men of the city. **They stirred up persecution** against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them from their region.<sup>51</sup> So they shook the dust off their feet as a warning to them and went to Iconium.<sup>52</sup> And **the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.**

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