



## Men's Ministry

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## Men's 1 Timothy Study

Wednesdays

6:30am -7:30am

January 18 - February 22

Student Center





ASH WEDNESDAY

February 22nd | 7pm





## **FSM 7th-8th Grade**

Spring Break Trip

March 18-24

T Bar M Camp

New Braunfels, TX







## Merge

Premarital Experience  
Sundays 7:00-9:00 pm  
February 19 - April 2





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# Three Ways Christians Engage Culture

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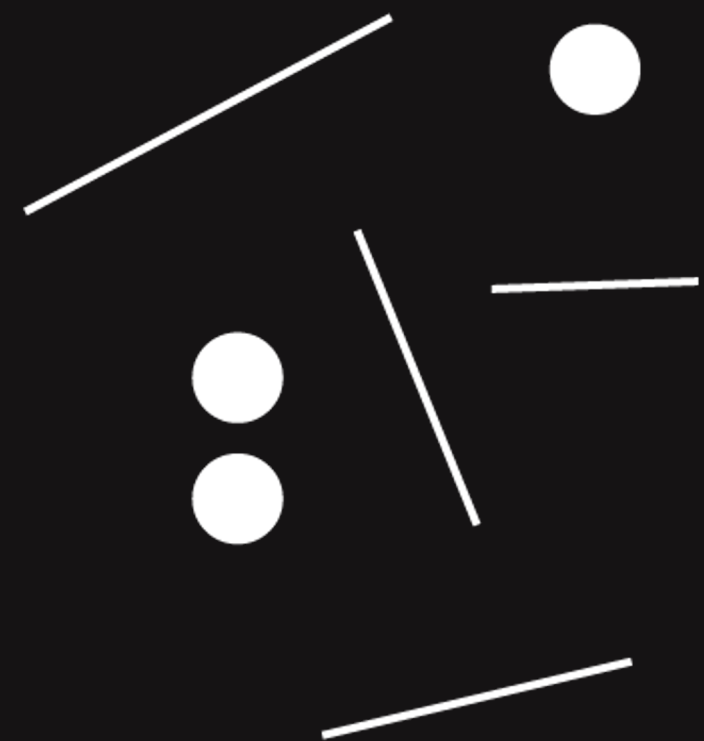
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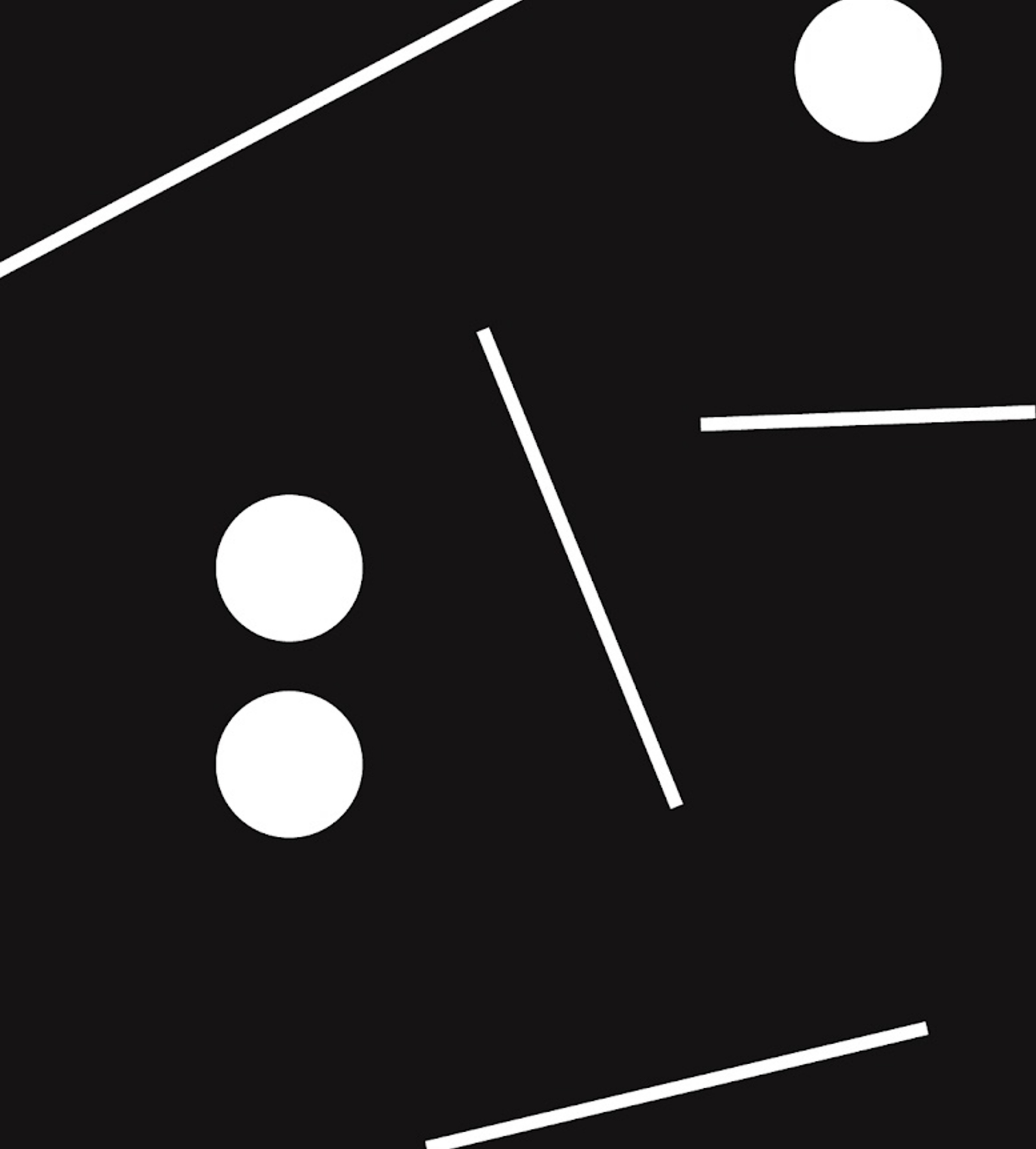
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## Daniel 1:1-2 NIV

In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came to Jerusalem and besieged it. <sup>2</sup> And the Lord delivered Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, along with some of the articles from the temple of God. These he carried off to the temple of his god in Babylonia and put in the treasure house of his god.

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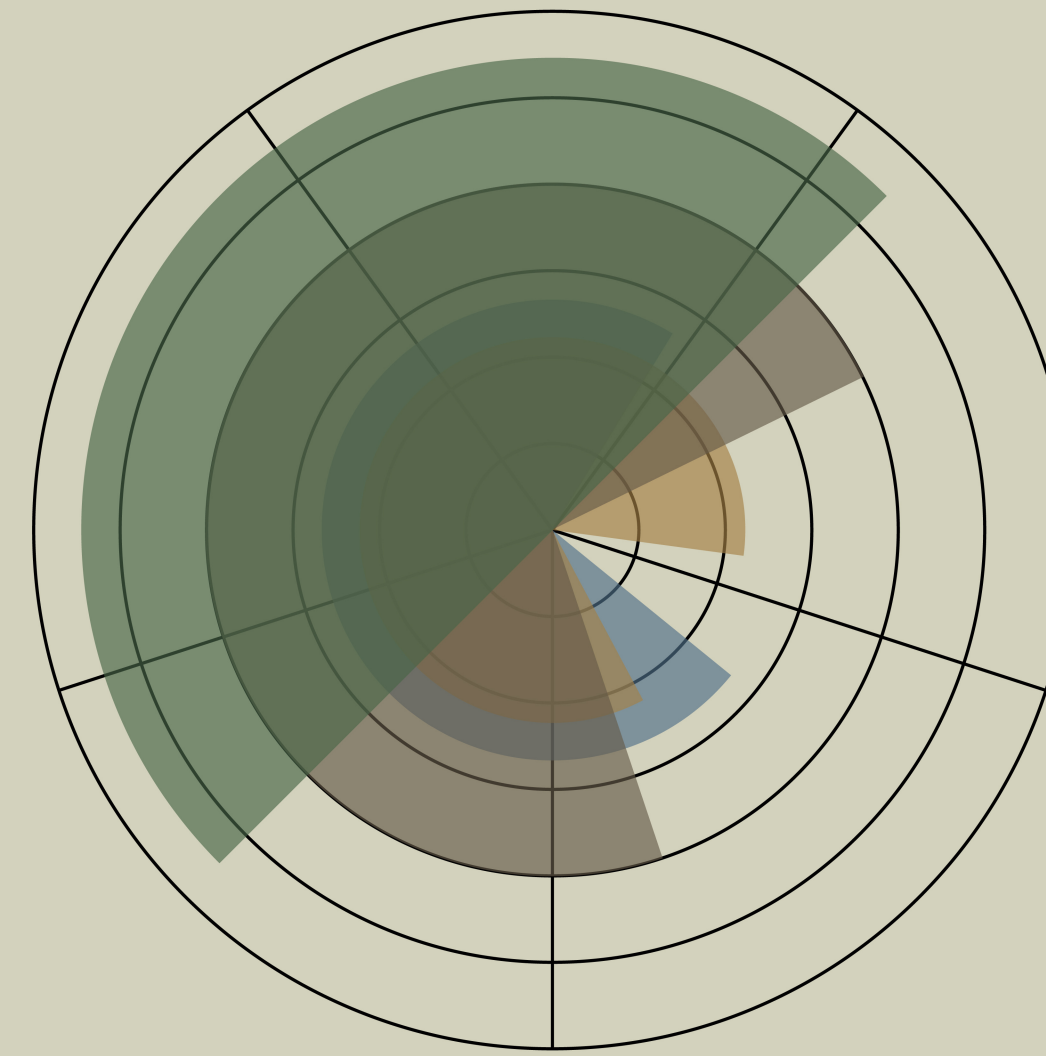
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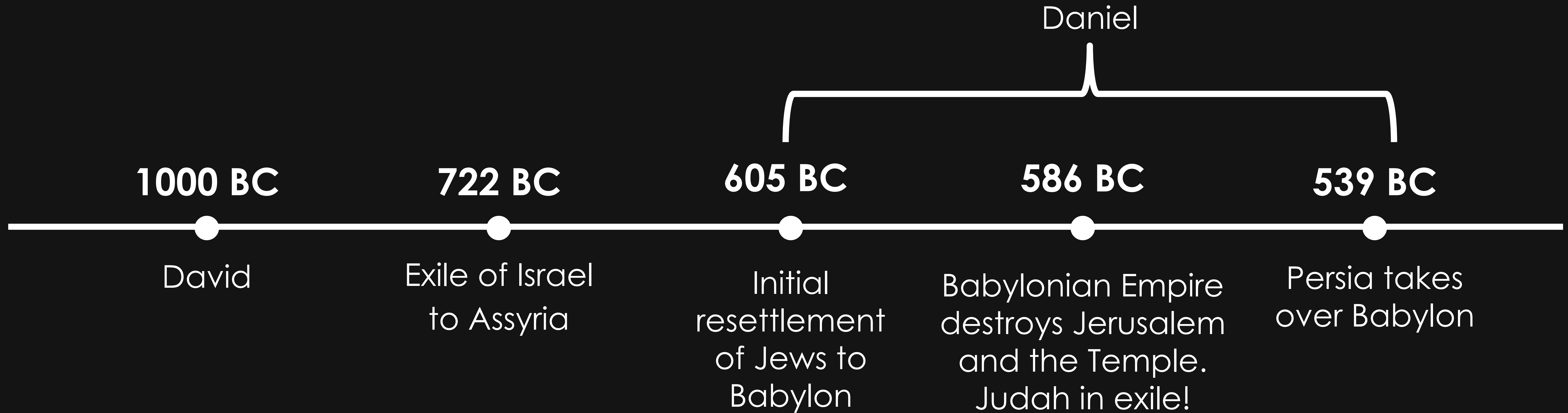
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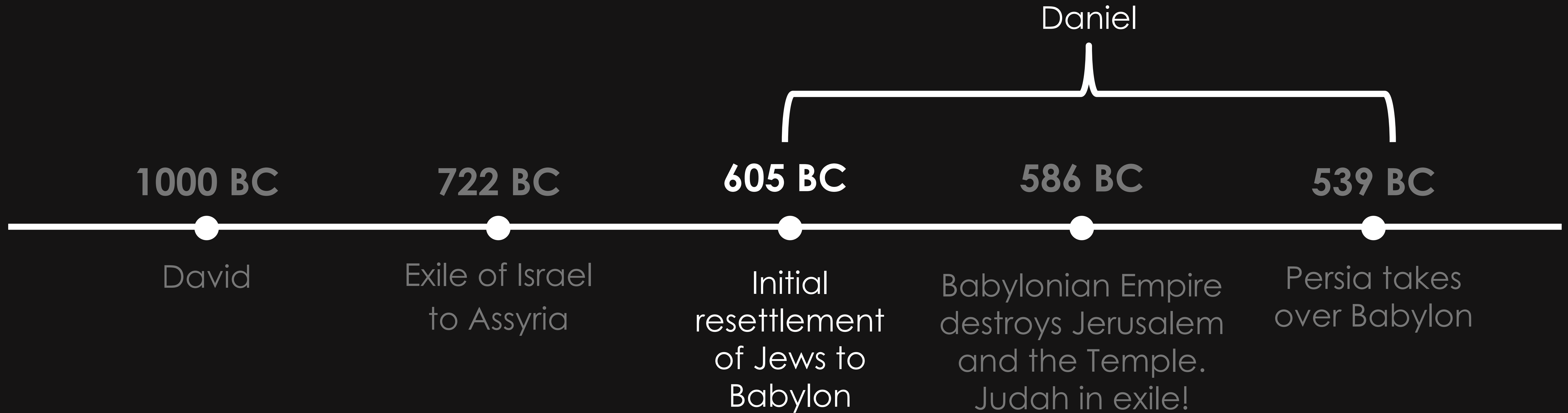
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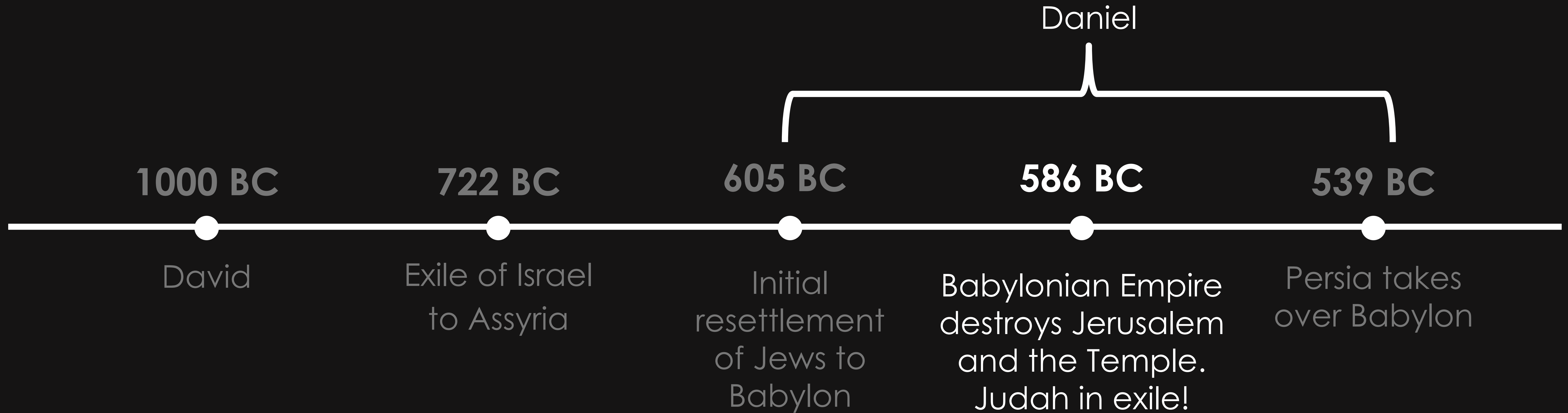


**Daniel 1:3-4** NIV

Then the king ordered Ashpenaz, chief of his court officials, to bring into the king’s service some of the Israelites from the royal family and the nobility—  
4 young men without any physical defect, handsome, showing aptitude for every kind of learning, well informed, quick to understand, and qualified to serve in the king’s palace. He was to teach them the language and literature of the Babylonians.

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## Jeremiah 29:10 <sup>NIV</sup>

This is what the Lord says: “When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will come to you and fulfill my good promise to bring you back to this place.

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**Daniel 1:6-7** NIV

Among those who were chosen were some from Judah: Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah. <sup>7</sup> The chief official gave them new names: to Daniel, the name Belteshazzar; to Hananiah, Shadrach; to Mishael, Meshach; and to Azariah, Abednego.

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## Literary Features

- Multiple genres:
  - Ch. 1-6 Court Tales
  - Ch. 7-12 Visions (Apocalyptic)

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## Apocalyptic Literature

A genre of literature popular in Jewish (and some non-Jewish) writings from the time of the Babylonian exile through the time of Jesus, using symbolic visions communicated through a heavenly messenger, in order to teach a heavenly perspective on real-world events.

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Other Famous  
Apocalyptic  
Literature

- 1 Enoch
- Sibylline Oracles
- 2 Baruch
- Revelation (New Testament)





## Literary Features

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- Multiple languages
  - 1:1-2:4a: Hebrew
  - 2:4b-7:28: Aramaic
  - 8-12: Hebrew

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## Who Wrote it, When, and Where?

Portions are written in the 1<sup>st</sup> Person as Daniel, while others are written in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Person.

Probably collected from sources (oral and written) over time after the Babylonian Exile.

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## Purpose

To remind the reader: though kingdoms rage and God's people get caught in the fire, God is in control and will establish His kingdom, so trust and obey him with courage and conviction.

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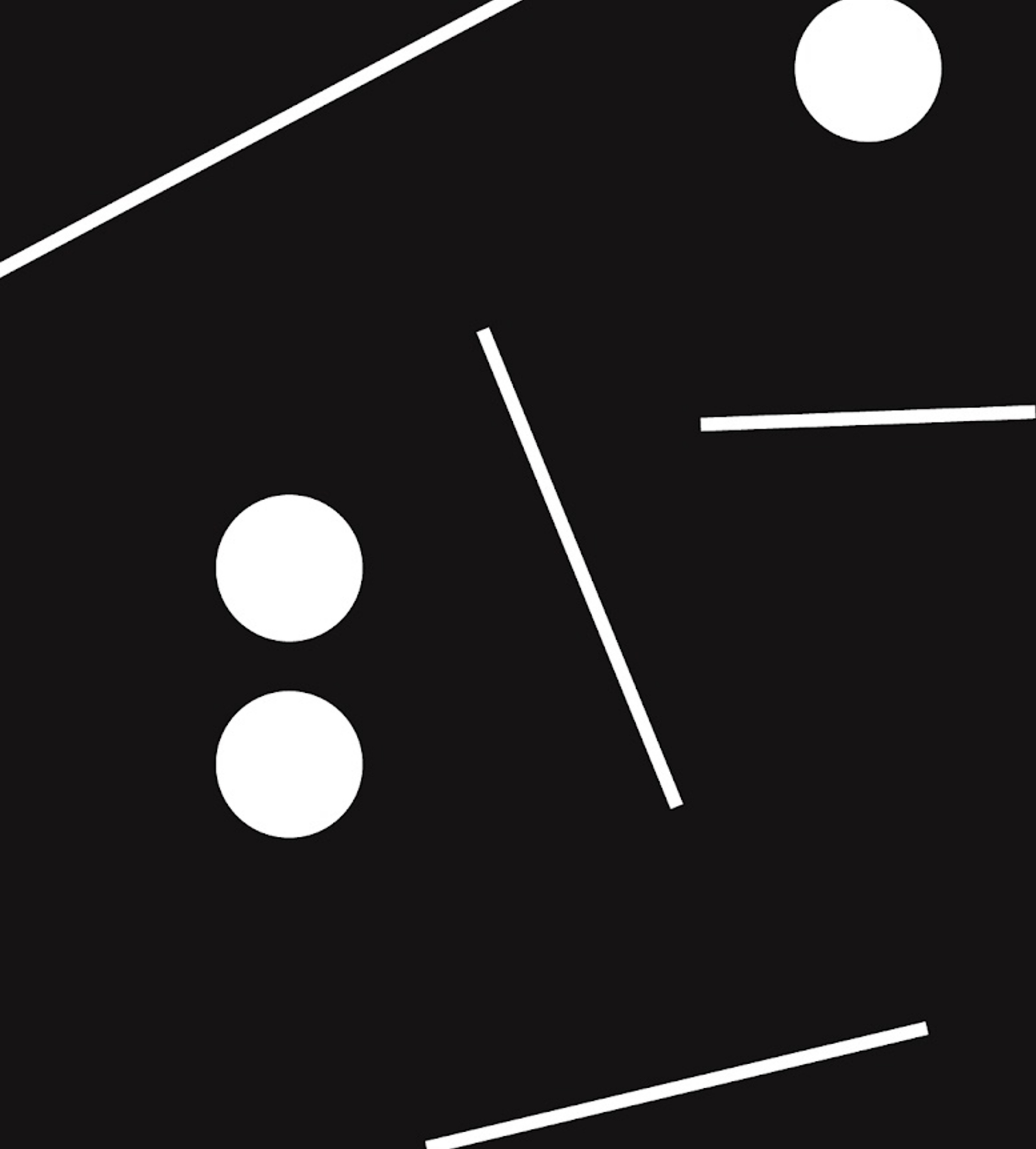
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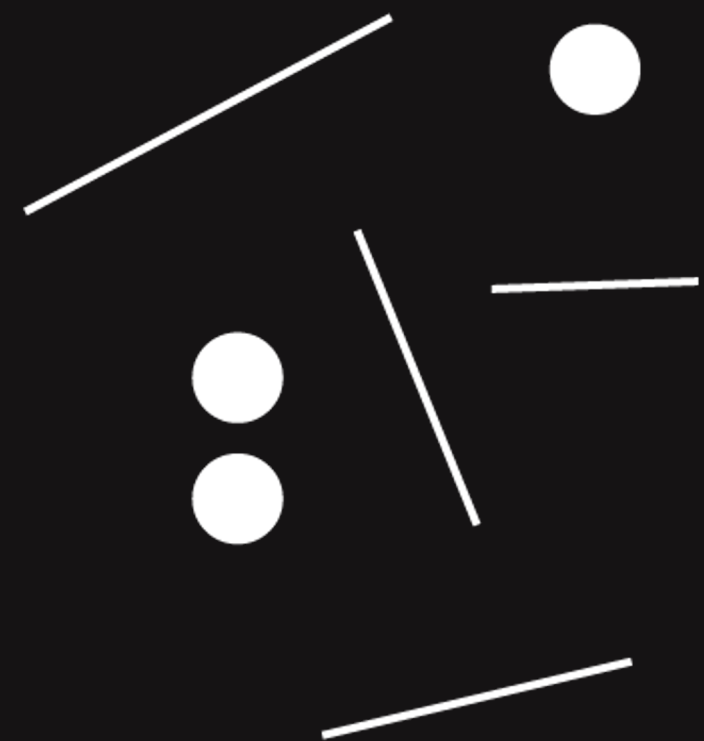
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**Daniel 1:5** NIV

The king assigned them a daily amount of food and wine from the king’s table. They were to be trained for three years, and after that they were to enter the king’s service.

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## Daniel 1:8 NIV

But Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the royal food and wine, **and he asked the chief official for permission** not to defile himself this way.

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## Daniel 1:19 NIV

The king talked with them, and he found **none equal** to Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah; so they **entered the king's service**.

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Daniel 1:20-21 NIV

In every matter of wisdom and understanding about which the king questioned them, **he found them ten times better** than all the magicians and enchanterers in his whole kingdom. <sup>21</sup> And Daniel remained there until the first year of King Cyrus.

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Daniel 2:24 NIV

Then Daniel went to Arioch, whom the king had appointed to execute the wise men of Babylon, and said to him, “Do not execute the wise men of Babylon. Take me to the king, and I will interpret his dream for him.”

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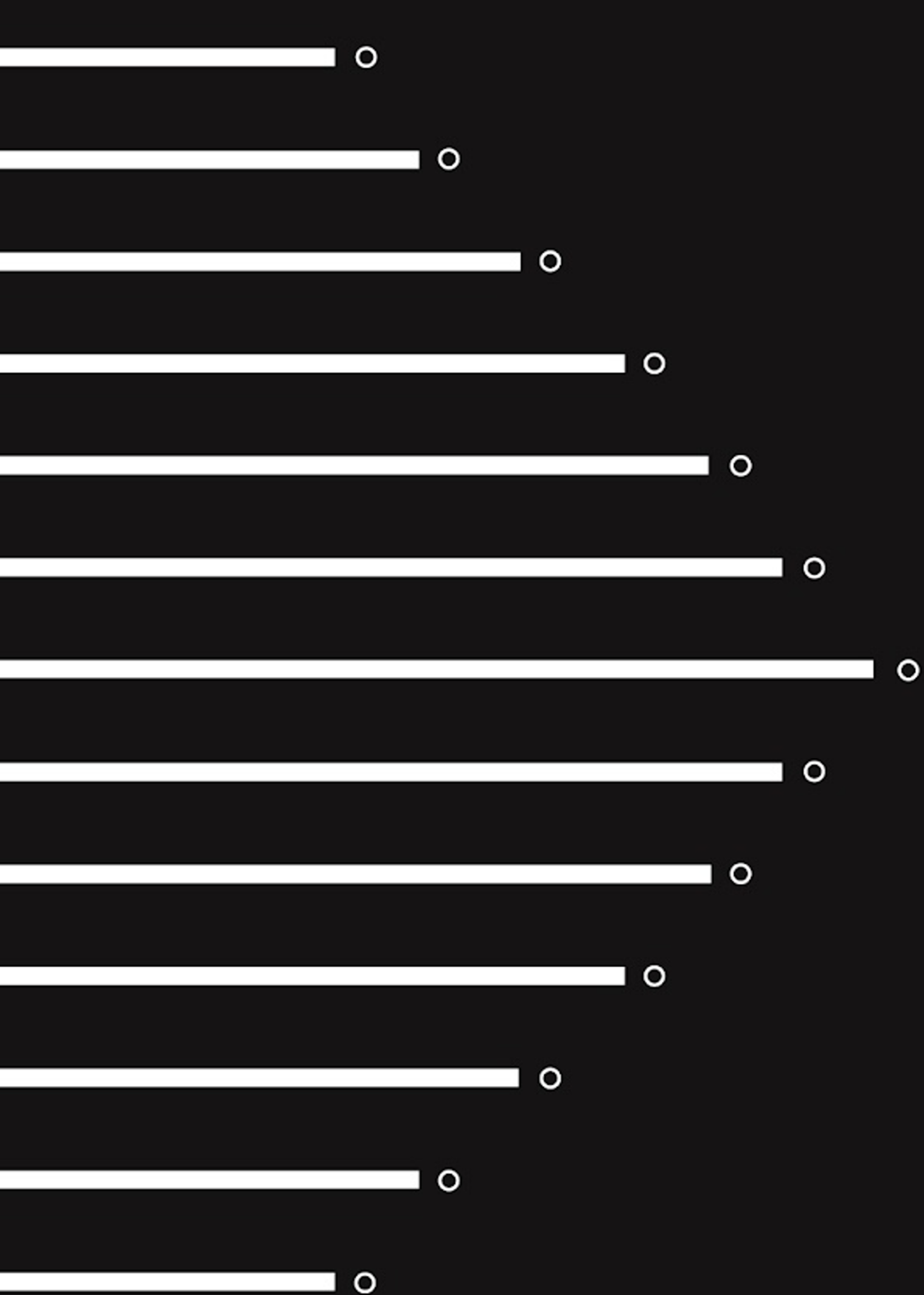


**Daniel 2:48-49** NIV

Then the king **placed Daniel in a high position** and lavished many gifts on him. He made him ruler over the entire province of Babylon and placed him in charge of all its wise men. <sup>49</sup> Moreover, at Daniel’s request the king appointed Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego administrators over the province of Babylon, while Daniel himself remained at the royal court.

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- Practically seek the good of culture



Seek the Good

Daniel 1:8a NIV

But Daniel **resolved not to defile himself**  
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Daniel 1:12-13 NIV

Please test your servants for ten days: Give us nothing but vegetables to eat and water to drink. <sup>13</sup> Then compare our appearance with that of the young men who eat the royal food, and treat your servants in accordance with what you see.

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Seek the Good

Daniel 3:12 NIV

But there are some Jews whom you have set over the affairs of the province of Babylon—Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego—who pay no attention to you, Your Majesty. **They neither serve your gods nor worship the image of gold you have set up.**

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Seek the Good  
Courageously Resist

Daniel 1:9 NIV

Now God had caused the official to show favor and compassion to Daniel...

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Daniel 1:15 NIV

At the end of the ten days they looked healthier and better nourished than any of the young men who ate the royal food.

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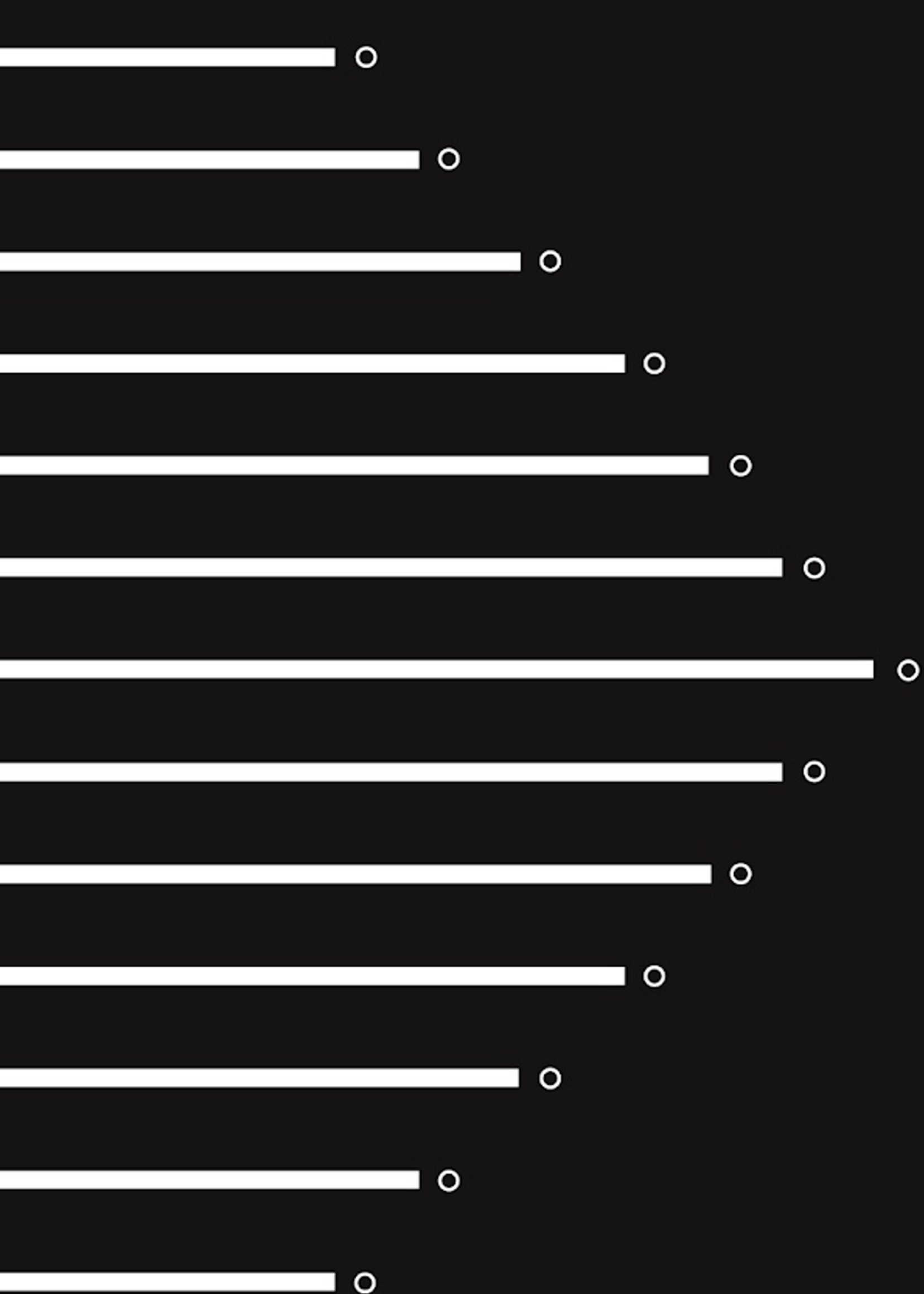


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Daniel 3:16-18 NIV

Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to him, “King Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. <sup>17</sup> If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty’s hand. <sup>18</sup> But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.”

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Seek the Good  
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Humbly Trust

Jeremiah 29:1 NIV

This is the text of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the surviving elders among the exiles and to the priests, the prophets and all the other people Nebuchadnezzar had carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon.

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## **Jeremiah 29:4-7** NIV

This is what the Lord Almighty, the God of Israel, says to all those I carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: <sup>5</sup> “Build houses and settle down; plant gardens and eat what they produce. <sup>6</sup> Marry and have sons and daughters; find wives for your sons and give your daughters in marriage, so that they too may have sons and daughters. Increase in number there; do not decrease. <sup>7</sup> Also, **seek the peace and prosperity** of the city to which I have carried you into exile. **Pray** to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.”

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Jeremiah 29:8-9 NIV

Yes, this is what the Lord Almighty, the God of Israel, says:  
“Do not let the prophets and diviners among you deceive you. Do not listen to the dreams you encourage them to have. <sup>9</sup> They are prophesying lies to you in my name. I have not sent them,” declares the Lord.

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Jeremiah 29:10-11 NIV

This is what the Lord says: “When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will come to you and fulfill my good promise to bring you back to this place.  
<sup>11</sup> For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

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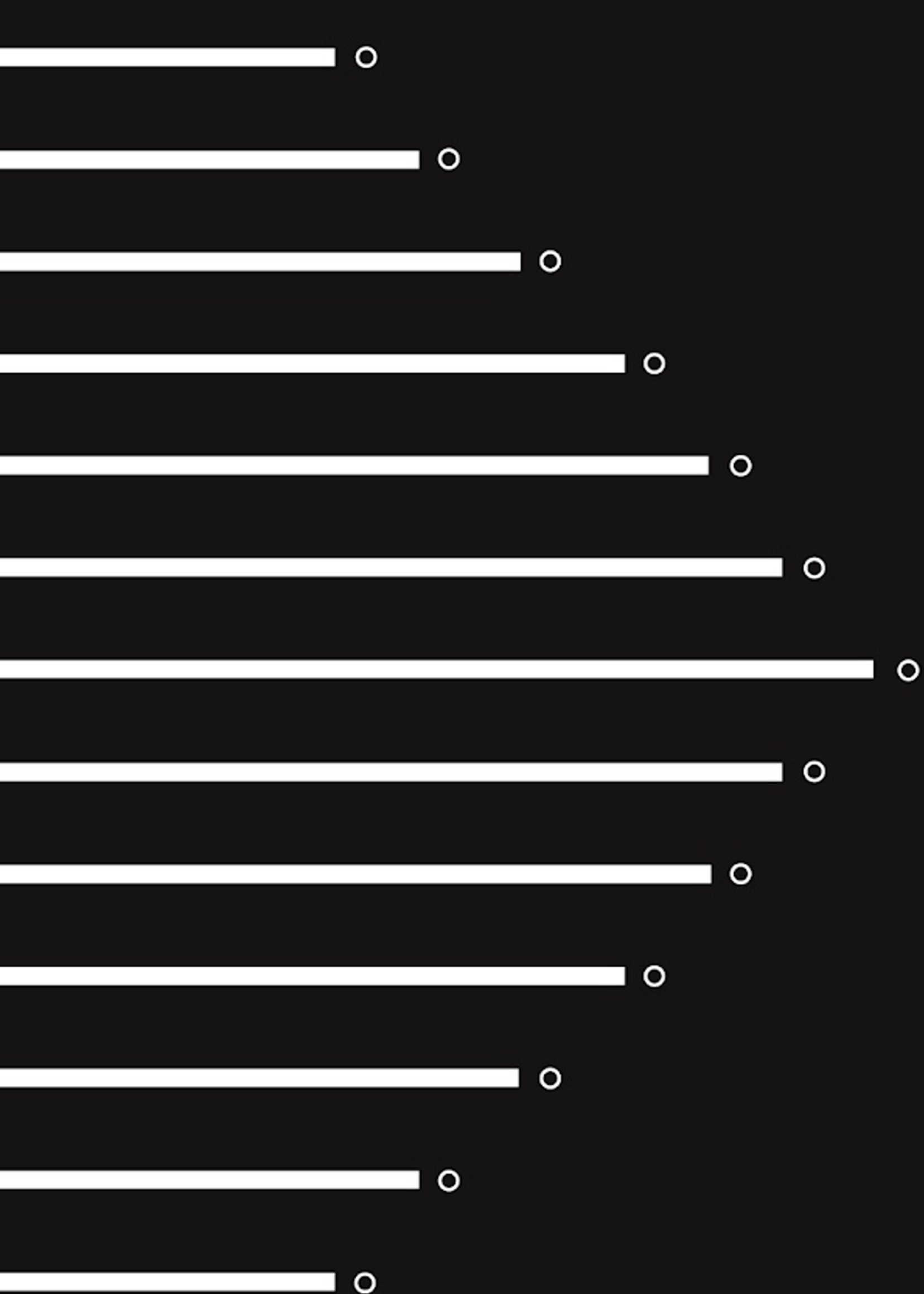


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1 Peter 2:11-12 NIV

Dear friends, I urge you, as foreigners and exiles, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul. <sup>12</sup> Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.

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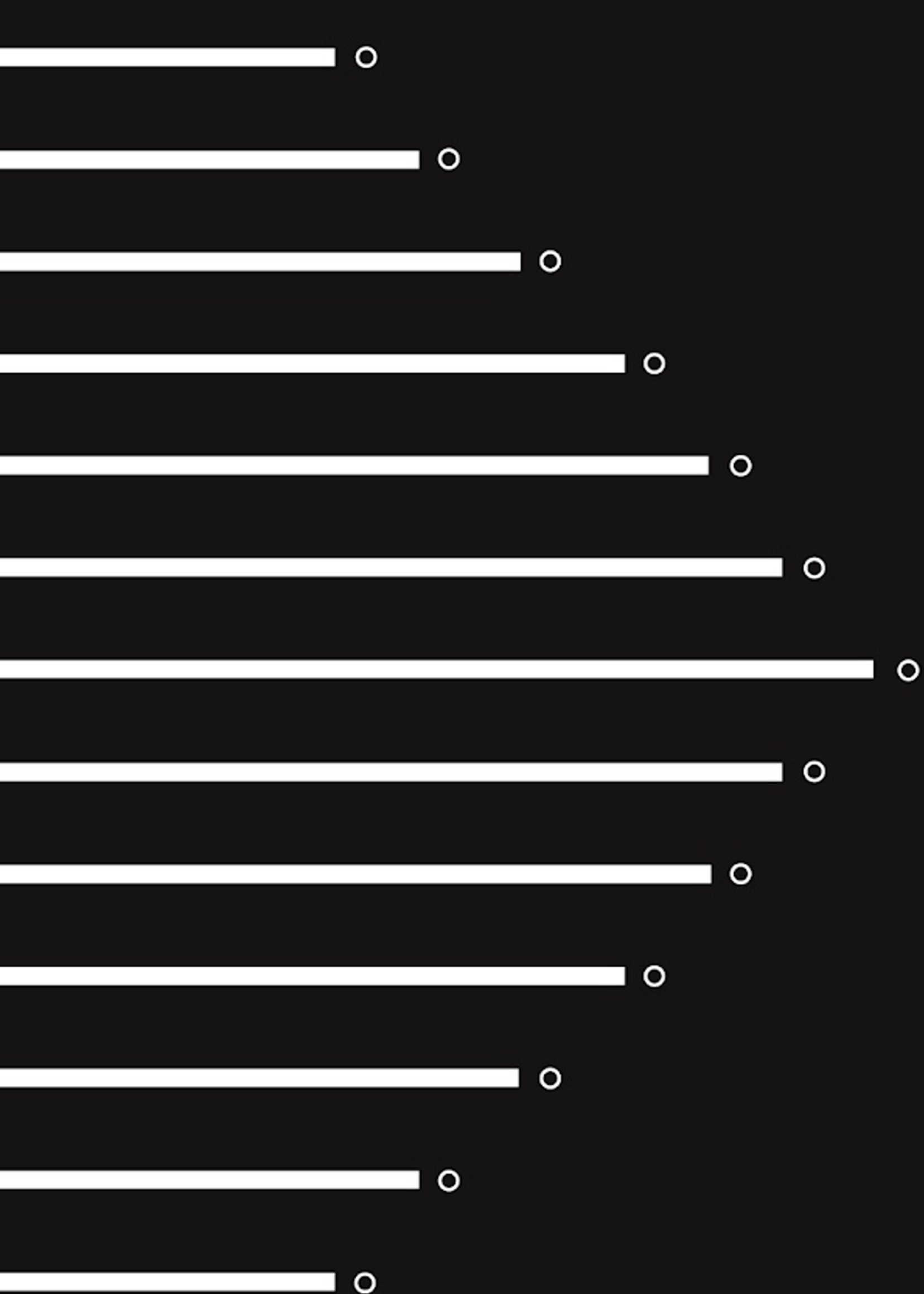
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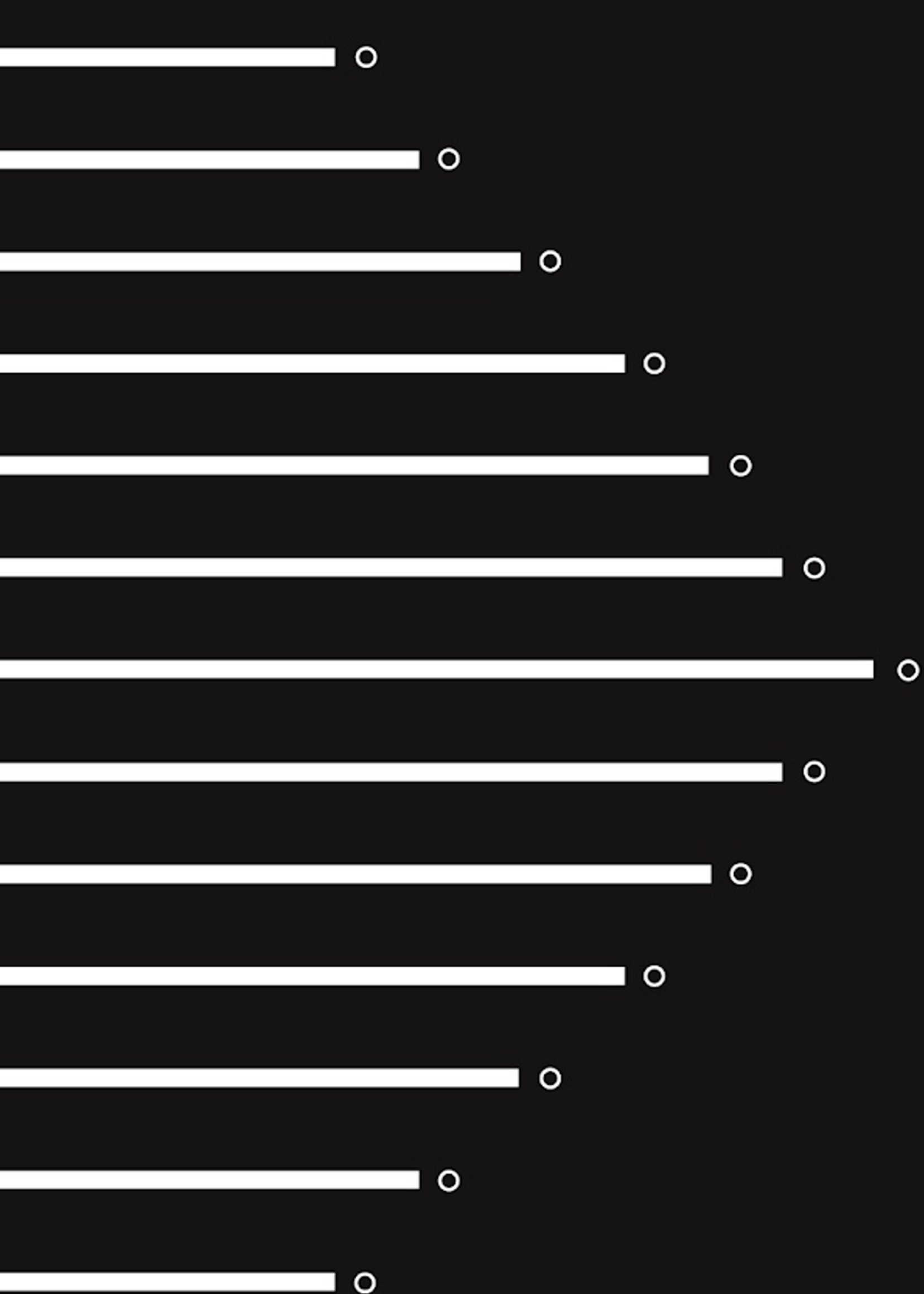


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