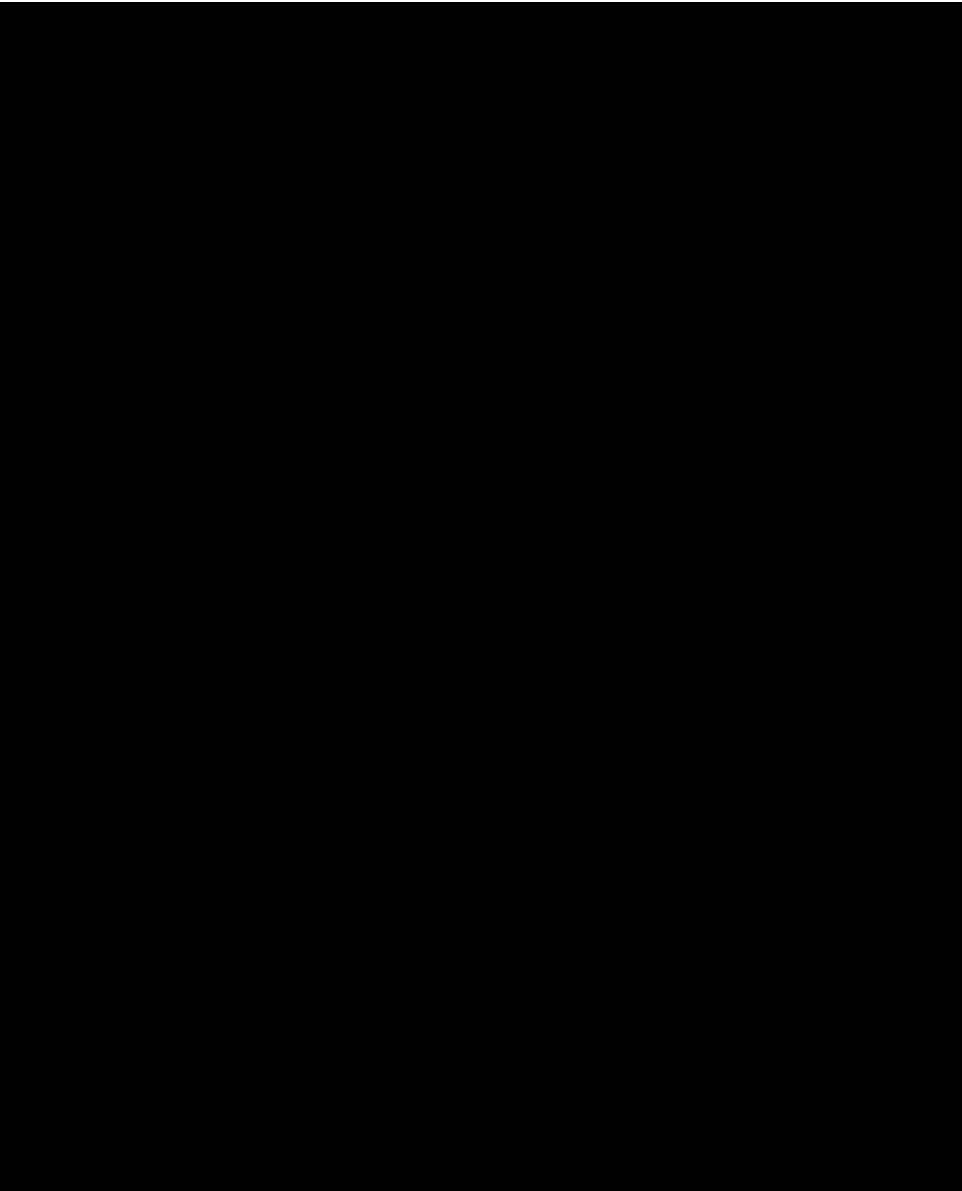
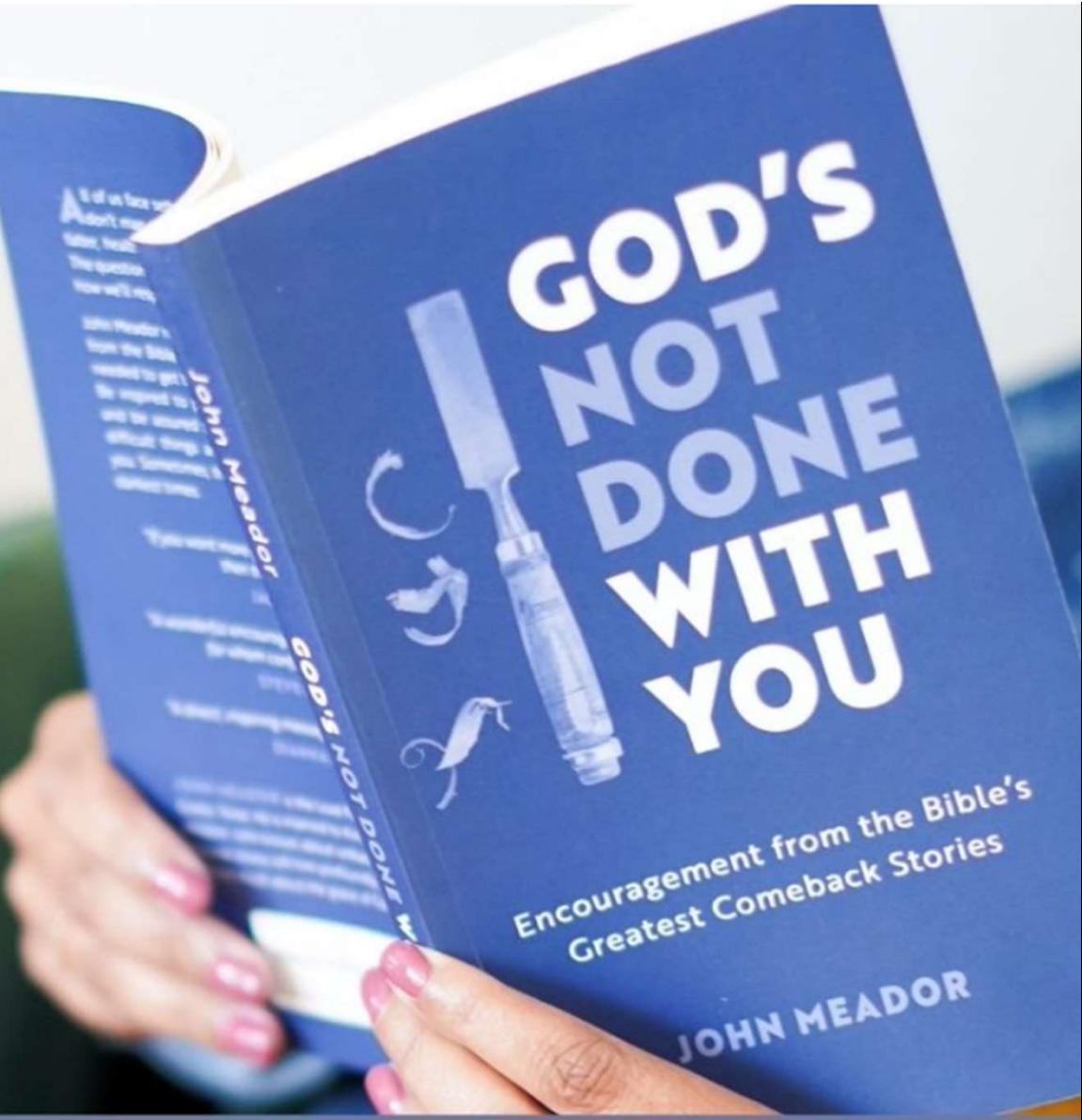


An open book with a cityscape silhouette in the background. The book is open, showing two pages of text. The background is a dark silhouette of a city with a prominent tower. The overall image has a warm, golden-brown color palette.

Jesus

**the Spirit of the
Lord is upon me**

Isaiah 61.³⁻⁶



Jesus **the Spirit of the Lord is upon me**

**a word of hope
for a people who'd failed**

- **the people had sinned**
- **their land was gone**
- **their cities were razed**
- **their hopes were dashed**

Isaiah 61.³⁻⁶

Jesus **the Spirit of the
Lord is upon me**

**a word of grace
for the glory of God**

“for the display of His splendour” (v.3)

***“all who see them will acknowledge
that they are a people the Lord has
blessed” (v.9)***

Isaiah 61.³⁻⁶

Jesus **the Spirit of the Lord is upon me**

³ The Lord appeared to us in the past, saying:

'I have loved you with an everlasting love;
I have drawn you with unfailing kindness.

⁴ I will build you up again,
and you, Virgin Israel, will be rebuilt.
Again you will take up your tambourines
and go out to dance with the joyful.

⁵ Again you will plant vineyards
on the hills of Samaria;
the farmers will plant them
and enjoy their fruit.

Jer.31.3-5

Isaiah 61.3-6

Jesus **the Spirit of the Lord is upon me**

less than it had been –

“Who of you is left who saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Does it not seem to you like nothing?”

Haggai 2.³

Isaiah 61.³⁻⁶

Jesus

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more than it had been –

⁵ Strangers will shepherd your flocks; foreigners will work your fields and vineyards.

⁶ And you will be called priests of the Lord, you will be named ministers of our God. You will feed on the wealth of nations, and in their riches you will boast.

Isaiah 61.³⁻⁶

Jesus **the Spirit of the Lord is upon me**

not –

- **subservience**
- **domination**

but –

- **co-operation**

Isaiah 61.³⁻⁶

Jesus

**the Spirit of the
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the nature of gospel work

- **flocks**
- **fields**
- **fruit**

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Isaiah 61.³⁻⁶

Jesus **the Spirit of the Lord is upon me**

the calling of Israel

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Jesus **the Spirit of the Lord is upon me**

the inclusion of the nations

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