

MORE THAN A CONTENDER

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Colossians 4:5-6 (NIV)

⁵ Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. ⁶ Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.



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Ephesians 5:15-16 (NIV)

¹⁵ Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶ making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.

1 Corinthians 7:31 (NIV)

³¹ those who use the things of the world, as if not engrossed in them. For this world in its present form is passing away.

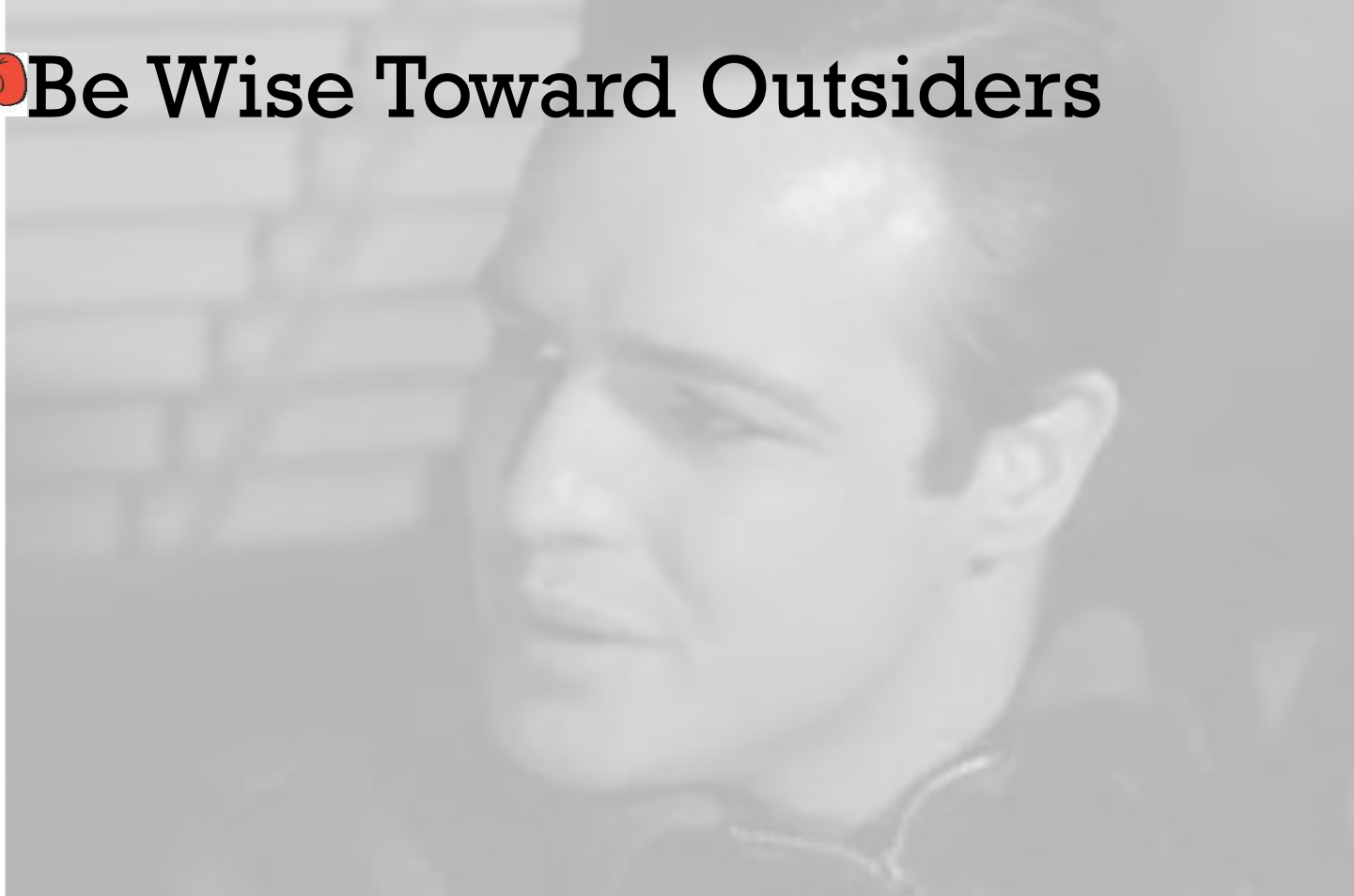


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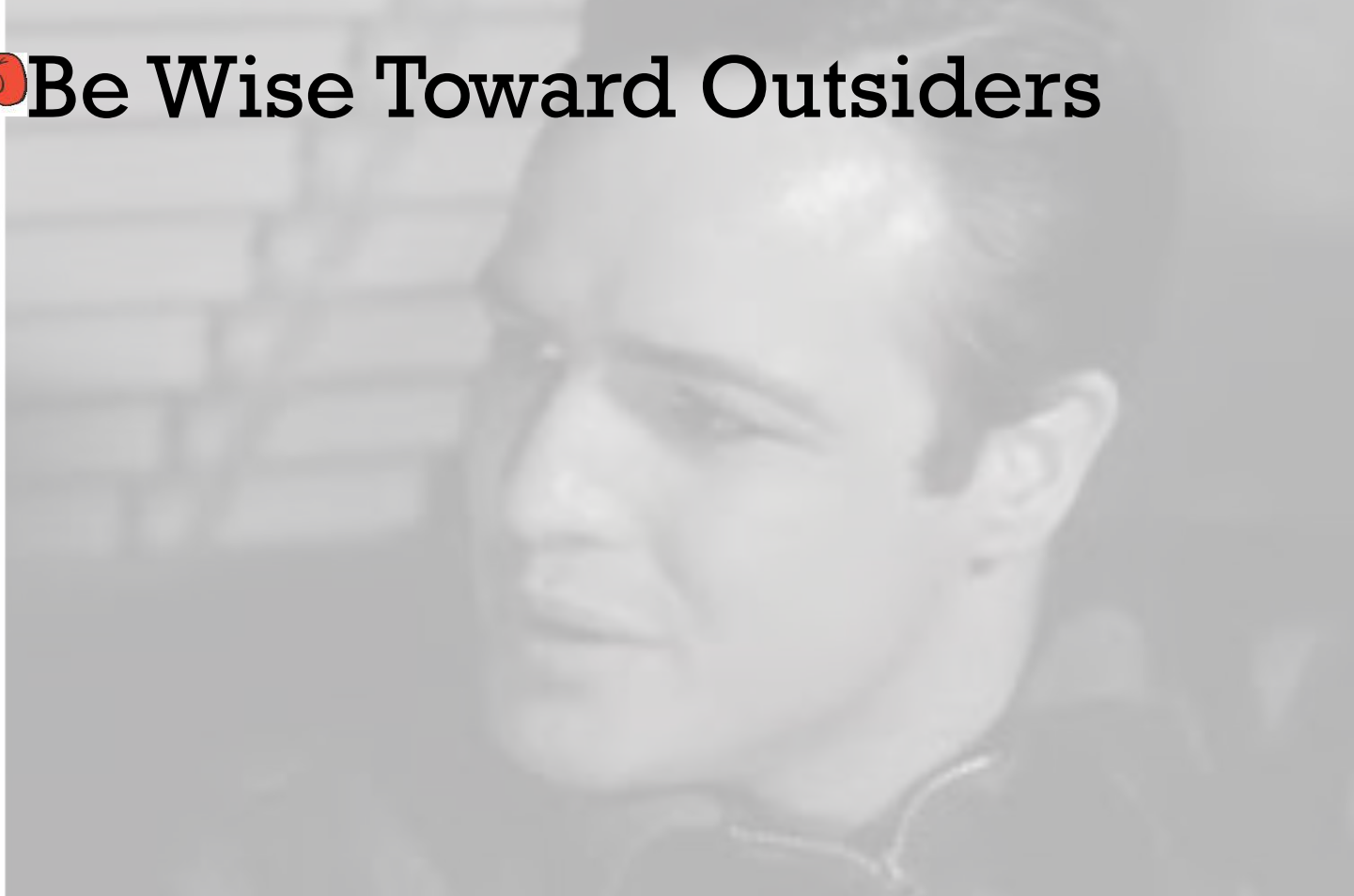


1 Corinthians 1:26-28 (NIV)

²⁶ Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. ²⁷ But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. ²⁸ God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are,

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Matthew 5:13 (NIV)

¹³ “You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.



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Proverbs 18:21 (NIV)

²¹ The tongue has the power of life and death,
and those who love it will eat its fruit.



Proverbs 12:18 (NIV)

¹⁸ The words of the reckless pierce like swords,
but the tongue of the wise brings healing.





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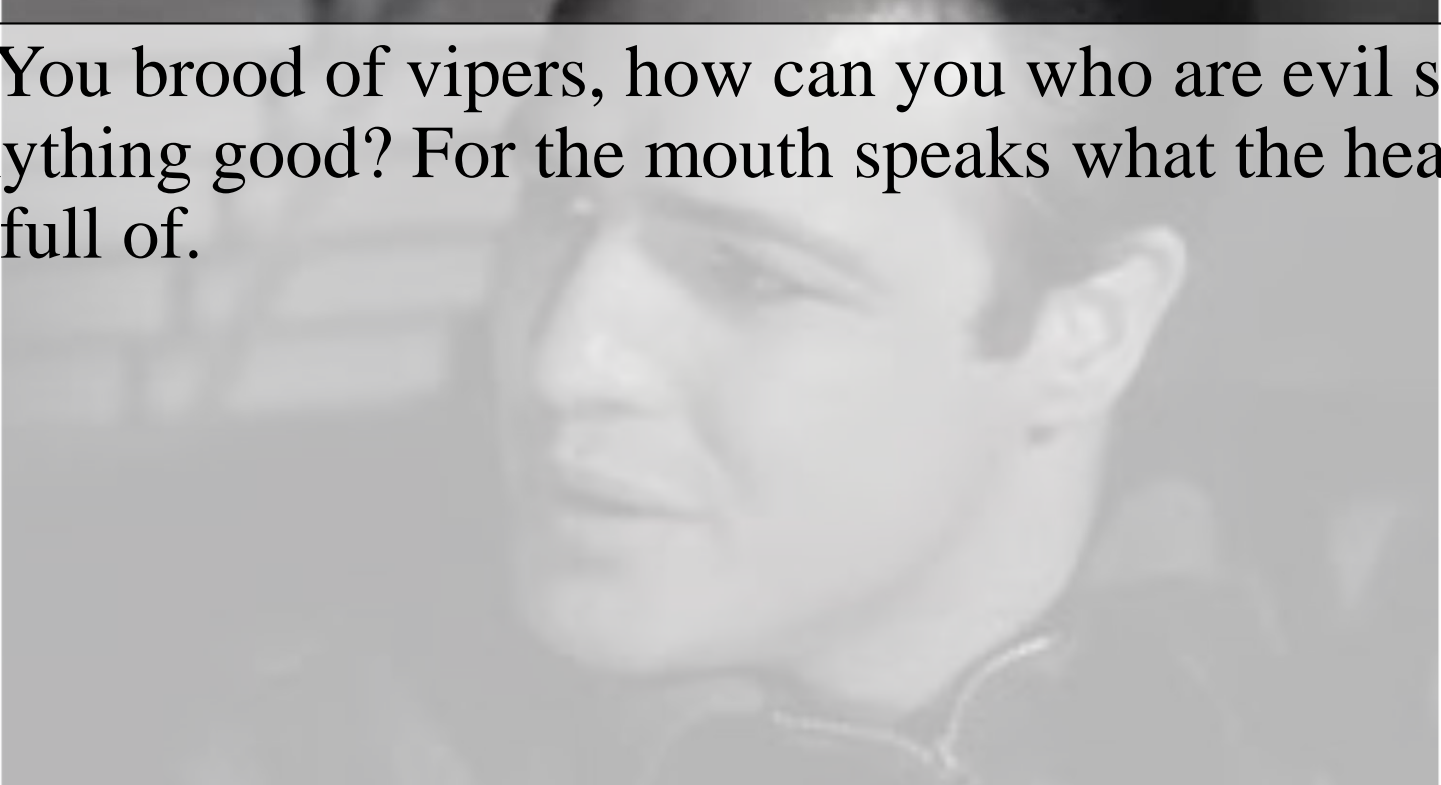
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Matthew 12:34 (NIV)

³⁴ You brood of vipers, how can you who are evil say anything good? For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.





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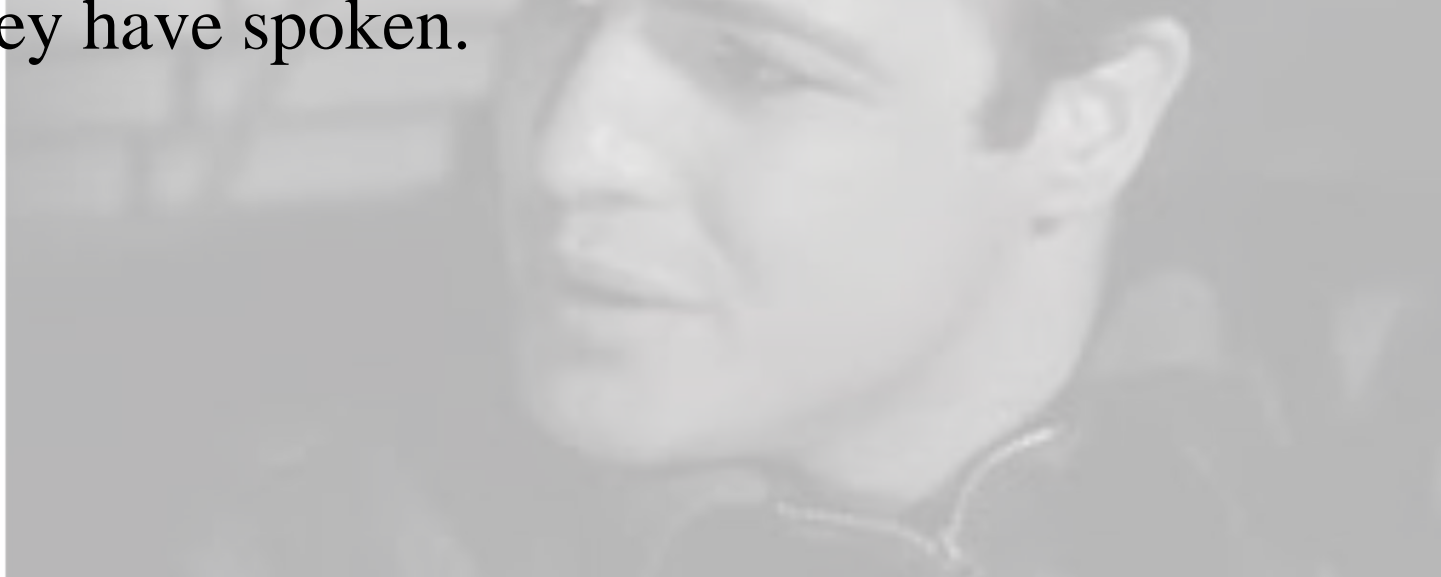
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Matthew 12:36 (NIV)

³⁶ But I tell you that everyone will have to give account on the day of judgment for every empty word they have spoken.





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