

What will be the eternal future for those whose names are written in the book of life?

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth passed away, and there is no longer *any* sea.

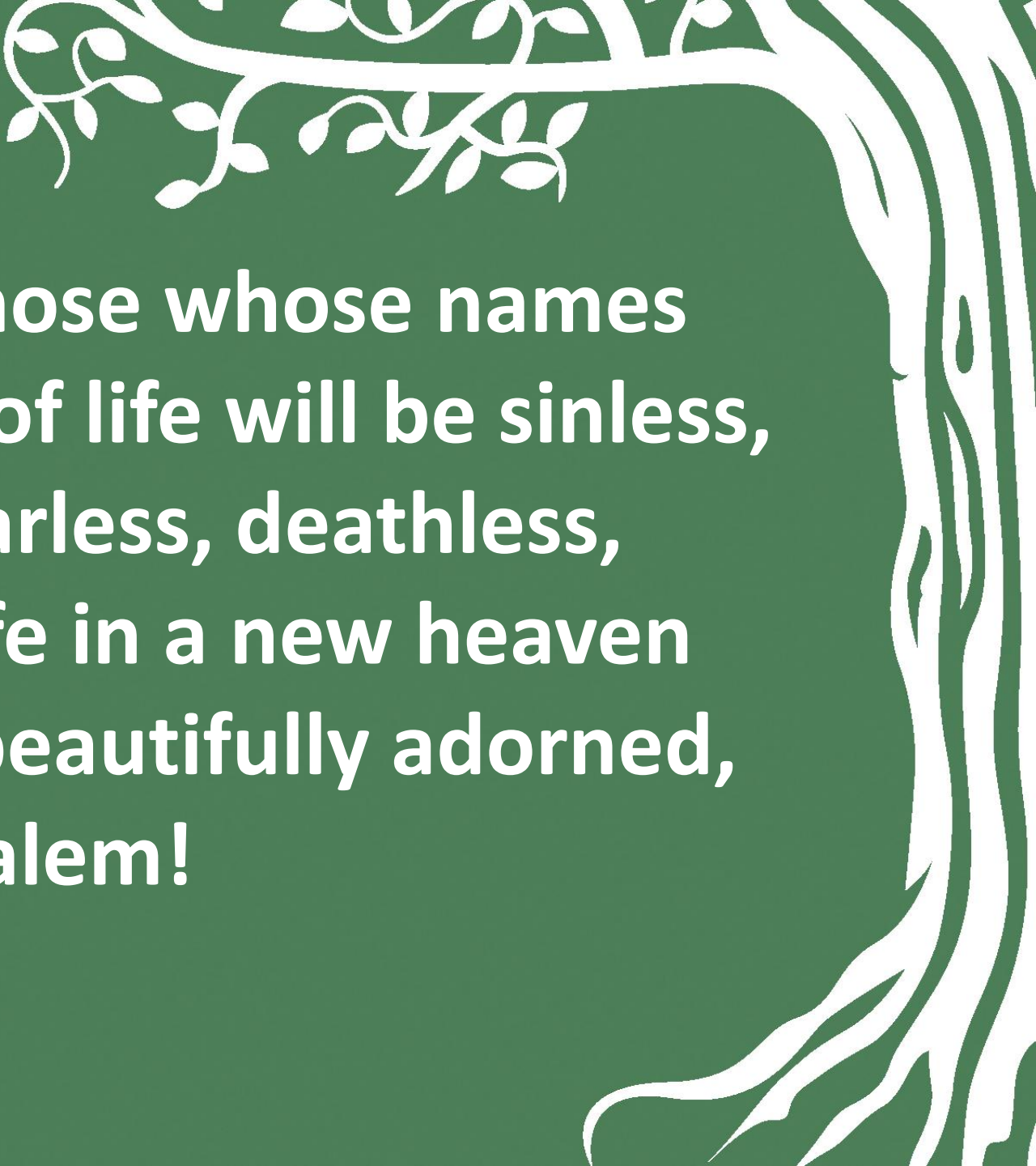
² And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband.

³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them,

⁴ and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be *any* death; there will no longer be *any* mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away."


⁵ And He who sits on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." And He said, "Write, for these words are faithful and true." (NASB; Revelation 21:1-5).

The eternal future for those whose names are written in the book of life will be sinless, sorrowless, painless, tearless, deathless, inexpressibly glorious life in a new heaven and a new earth and a beautifully adorned, holy city, the new Jerusalem!







Since we are looking for a new heaven and a new earth, what should we be doing?

¹³ But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. ¹⁴ Therefore, beloved, since you are waiting for these, be diligent to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at peace. ¹⁵ And count the patience of our Lord as salvation, just as our beloved brother Paul also wrote to you according to the wisdom given him.
(ESV; II Peter 3:13-15)



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every effort so that we will be found by
our Lord to be *without spot or blemish,
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THE BOOK OF PSALMS

The happiness of the godly

*127 is the man that walketh
with the counsel of the upright,
and he shall be as the tree of summer,
and shall be the fruit of the olive.*

12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry
from the way, when his wrath is kindled
Blessed are all they that put their

The security of God's

3 LORD, how are they increased
many are they that rise up
to many there be which



Psalms:
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OURSELVES UNTO **Praise**

*Why a
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I Its Prominence in our Bibles

II Its Prominence in our Lives

III Its Prominence in the Life of the Church

IV Because of what it is to be used for

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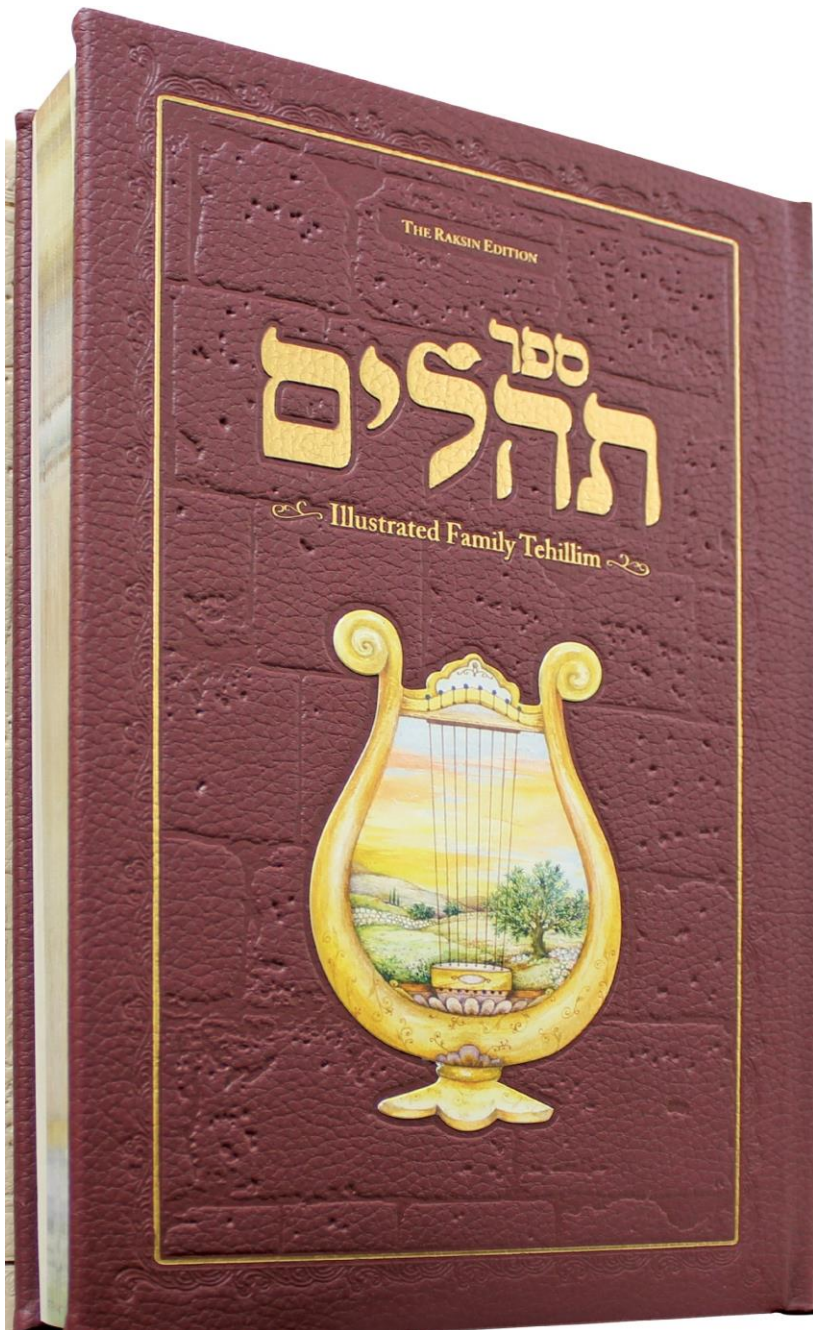




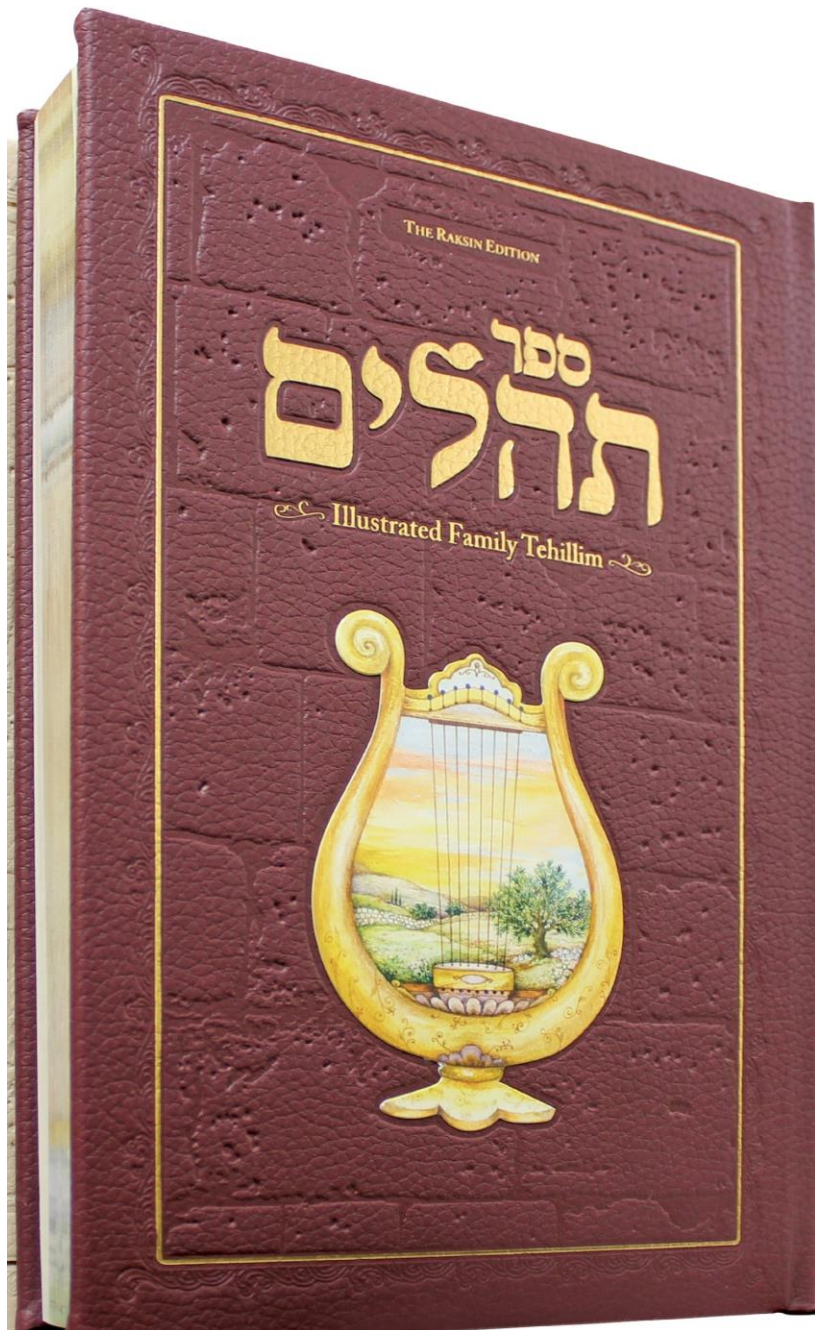








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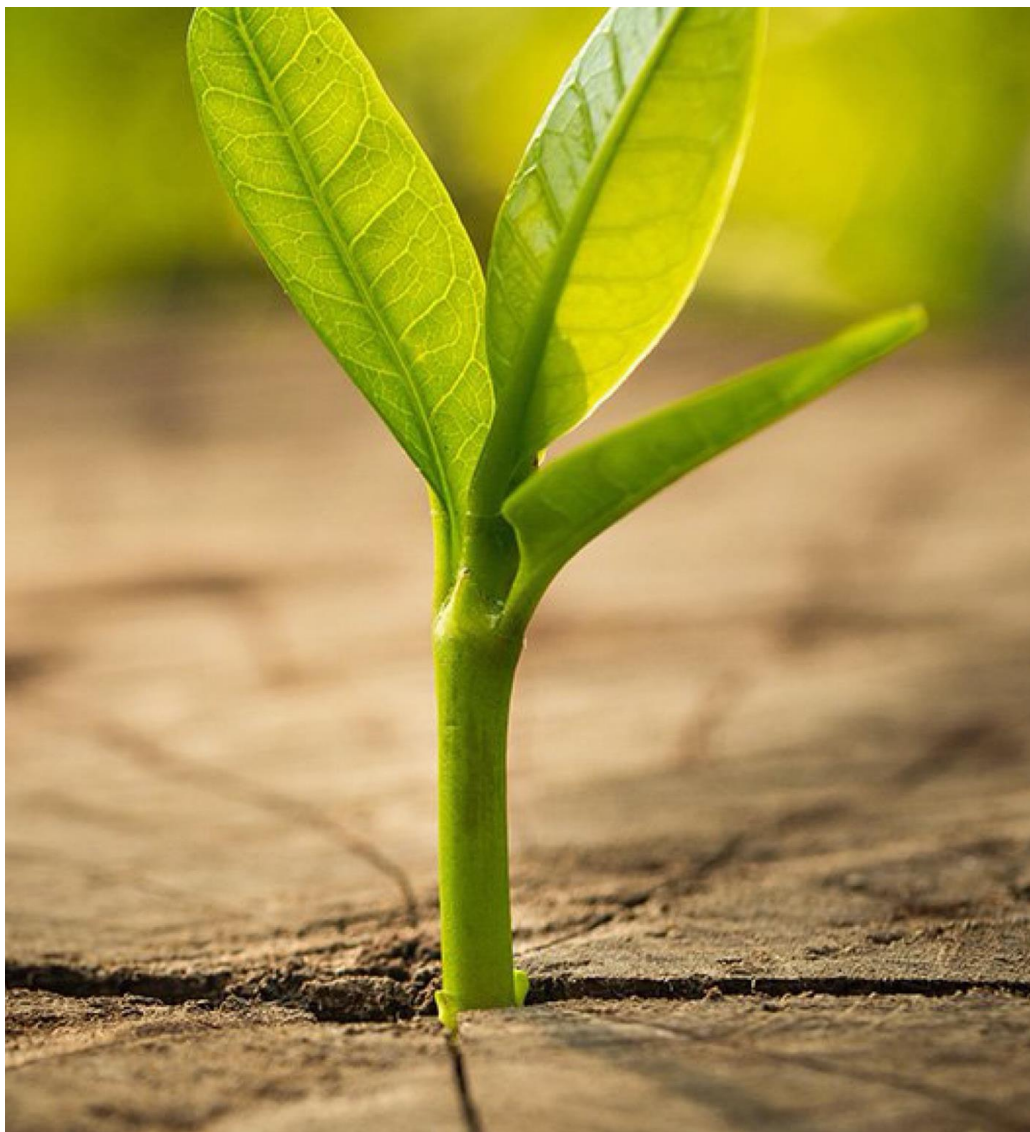
Praises

The Stump:

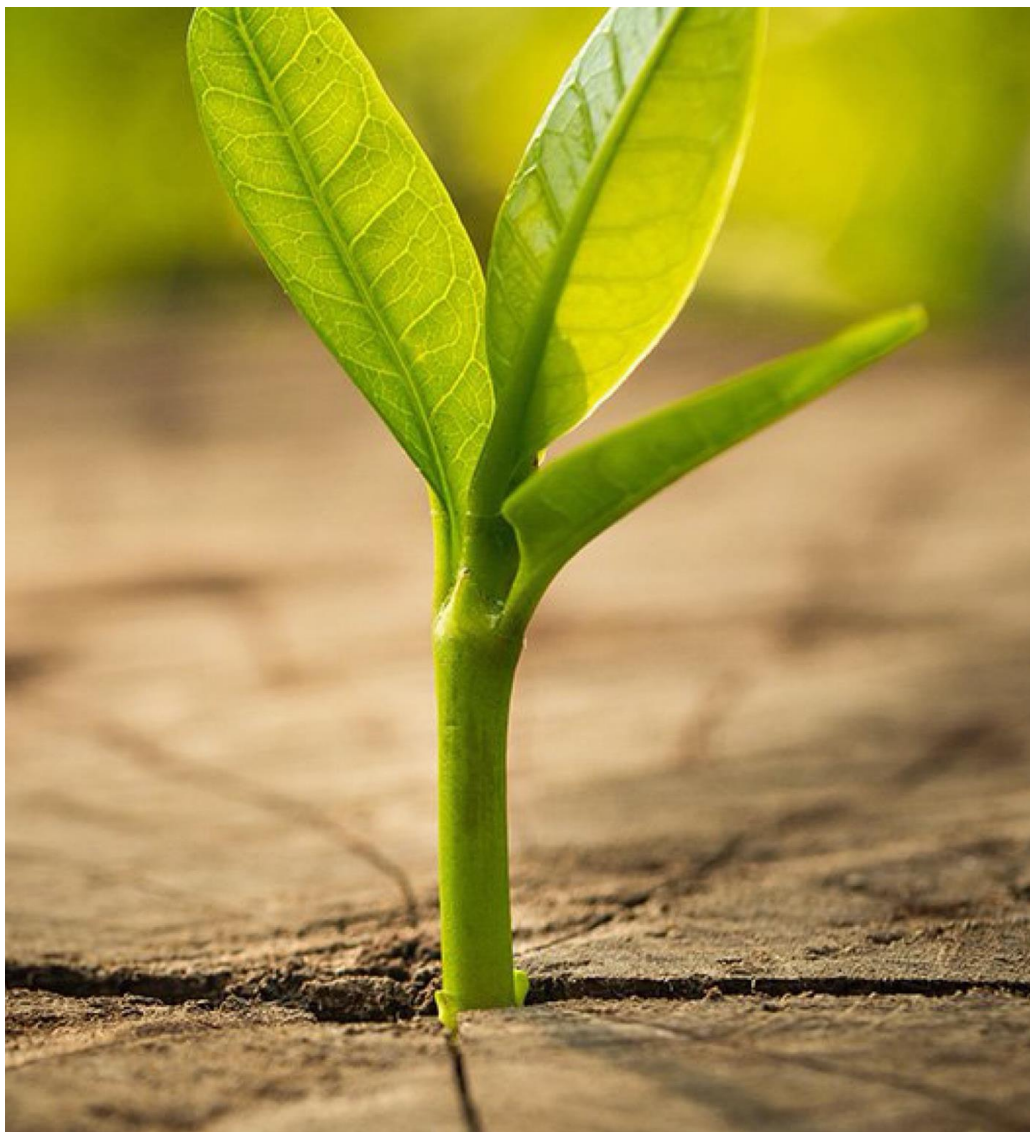


The Stump: My life





The Shoot:



The Shoot: My Praise



Psalm 146:2

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have my being.



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Now you followed my teaching. . .

continue in the things you have learned.

--II Timothy 3:10, 14



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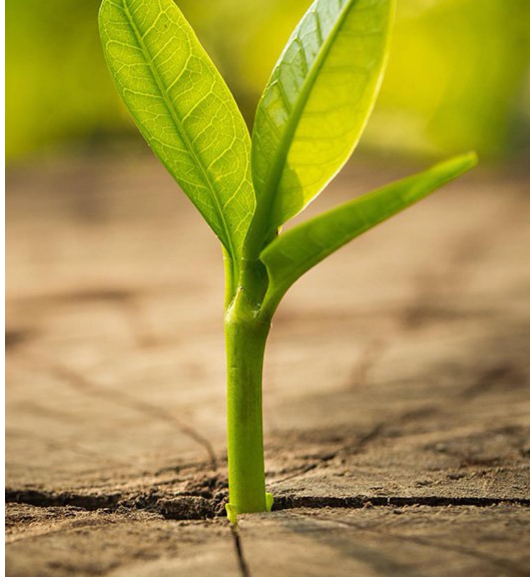
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Book of Psalms

1 Paul Used Frequently

As Christianity spread in the early years, it seems always to have been accompanied by psalmody. . . Psalmody was virtually a mark of the new church, one of the constants that constituted the distinctiveness of this new religion.

--James Mays, The Lord Reigns

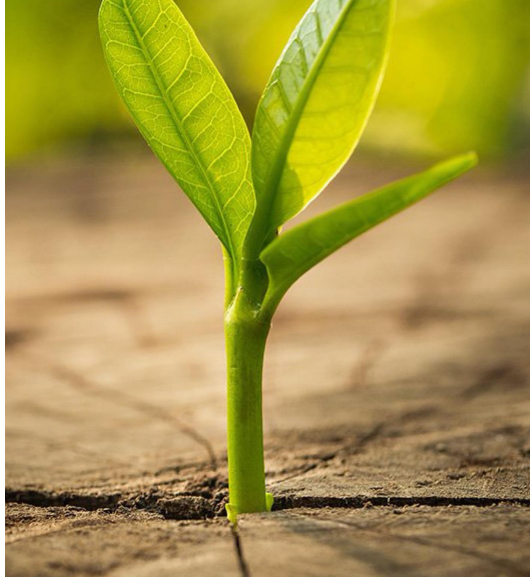
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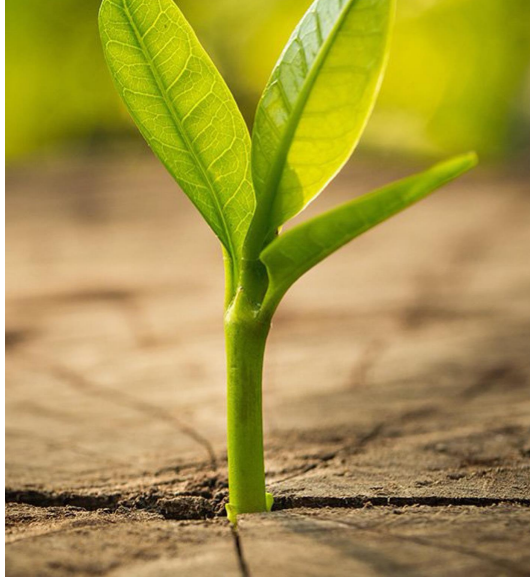
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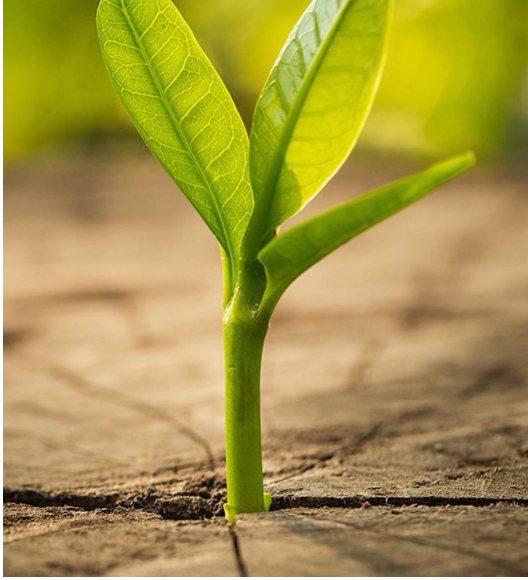
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**What are the other
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Prophets:Theology

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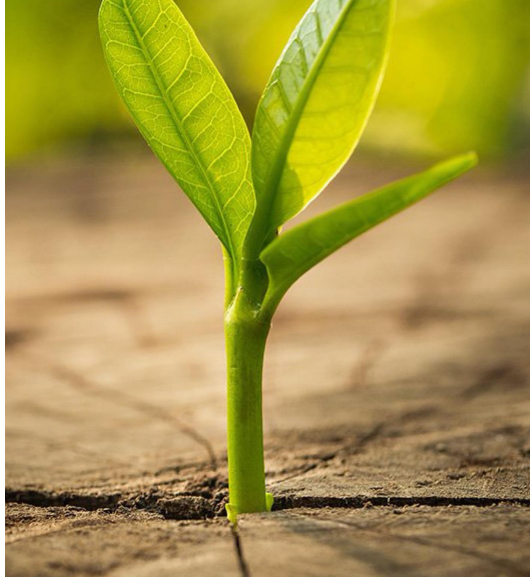


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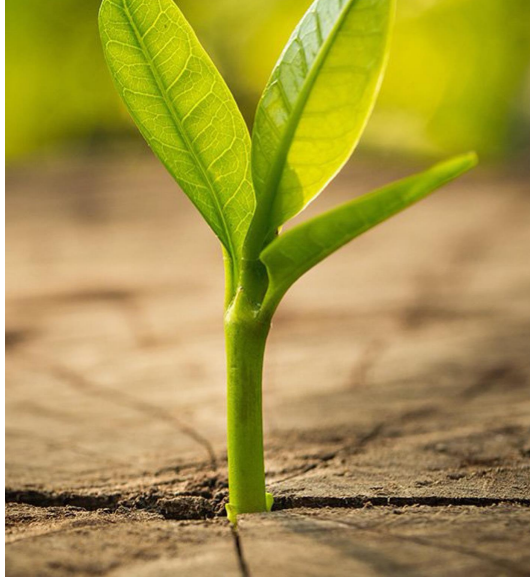
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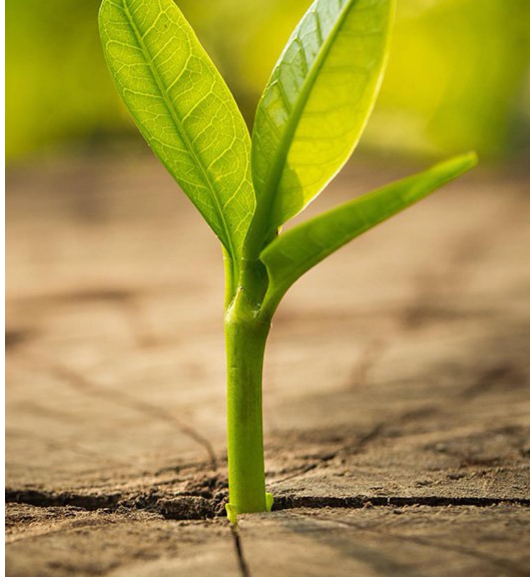
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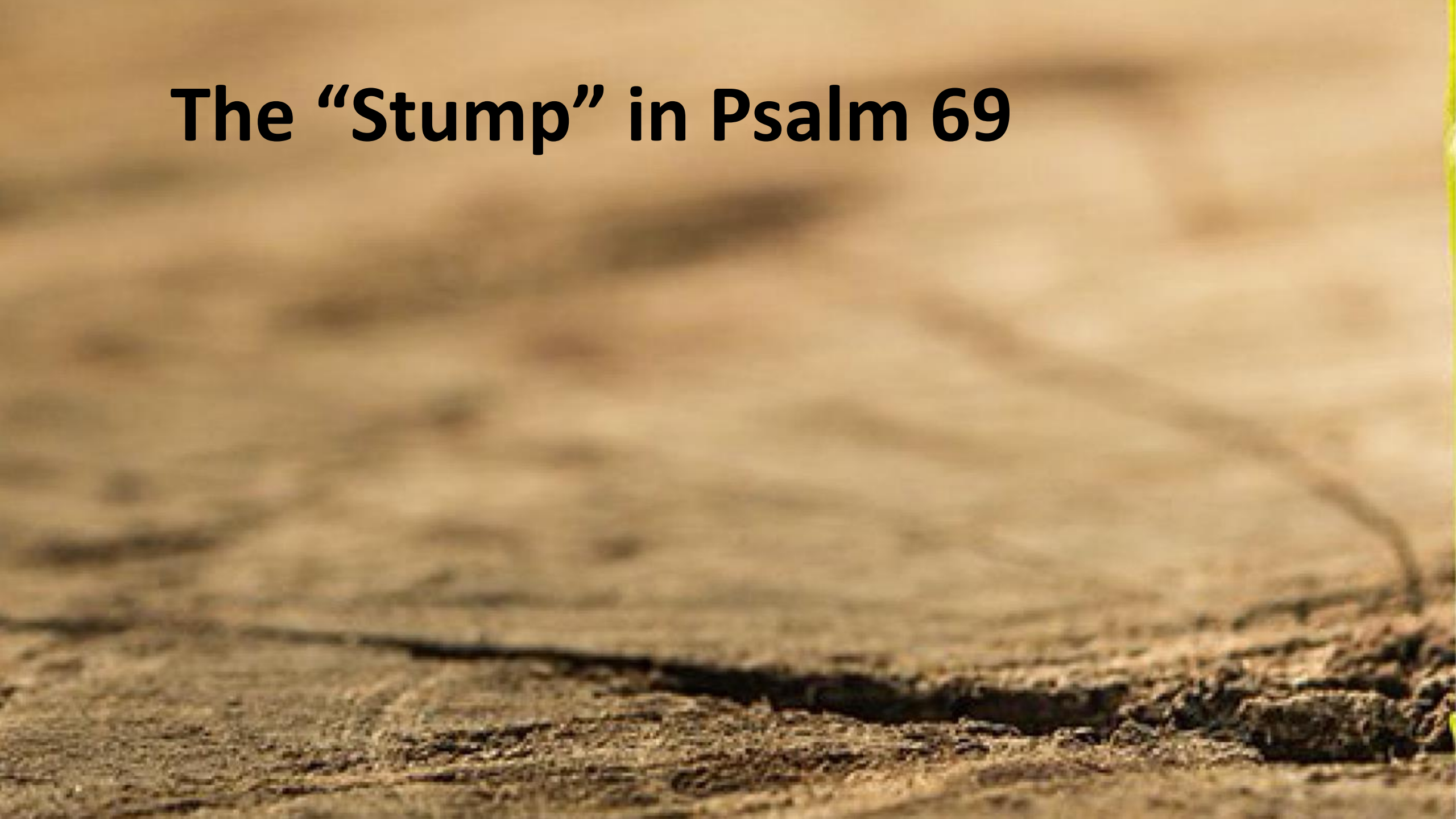
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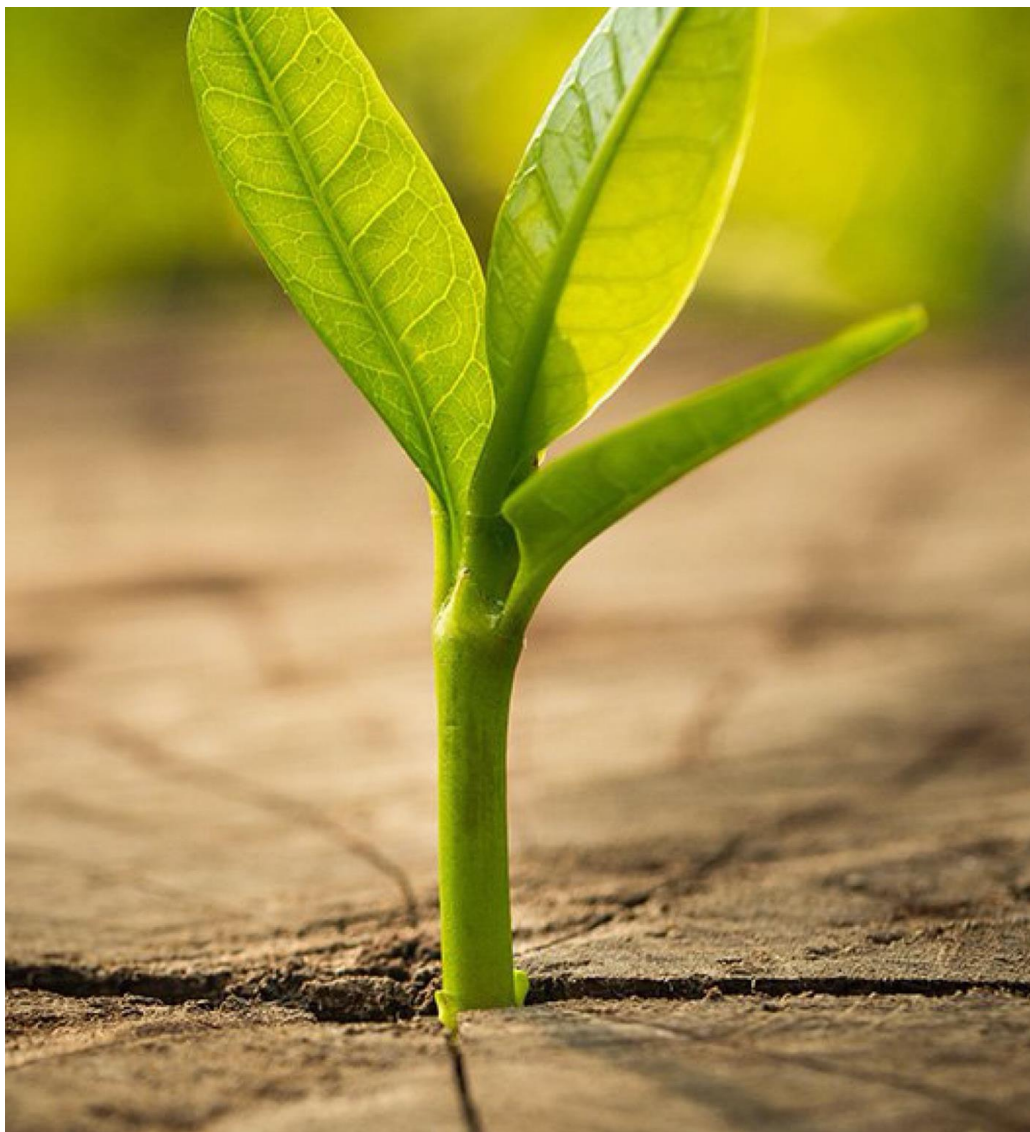
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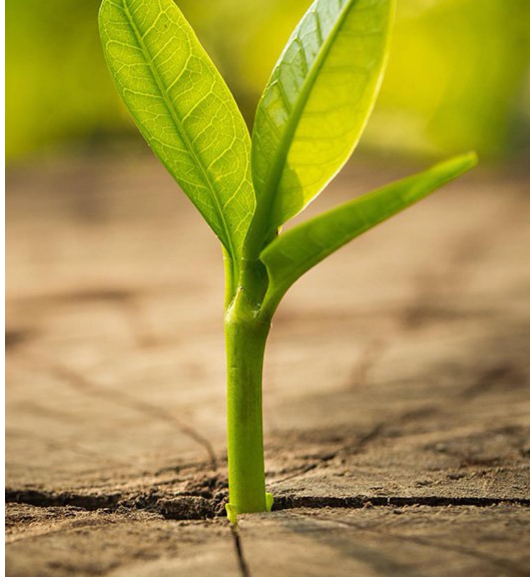
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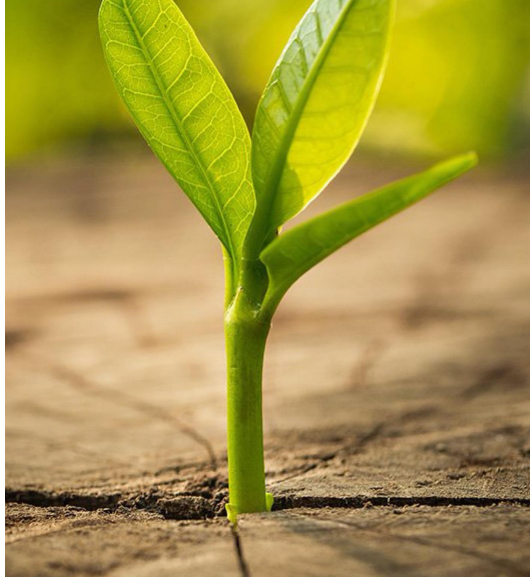
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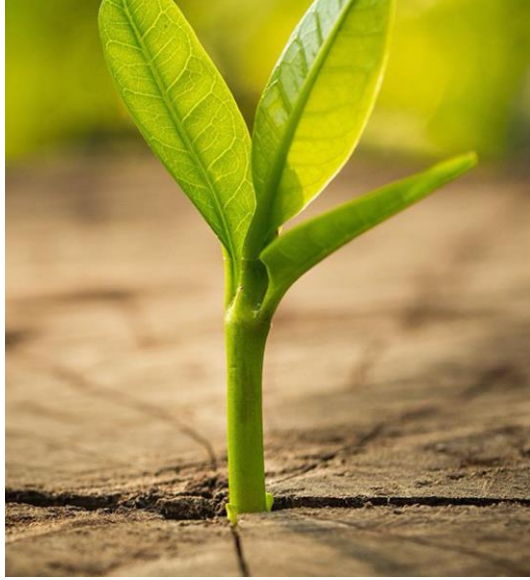
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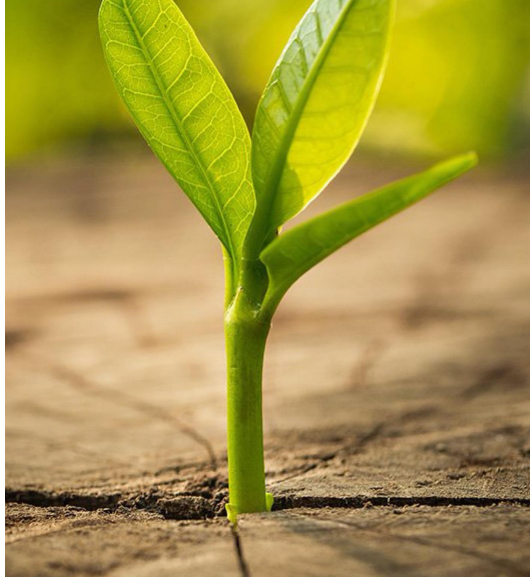
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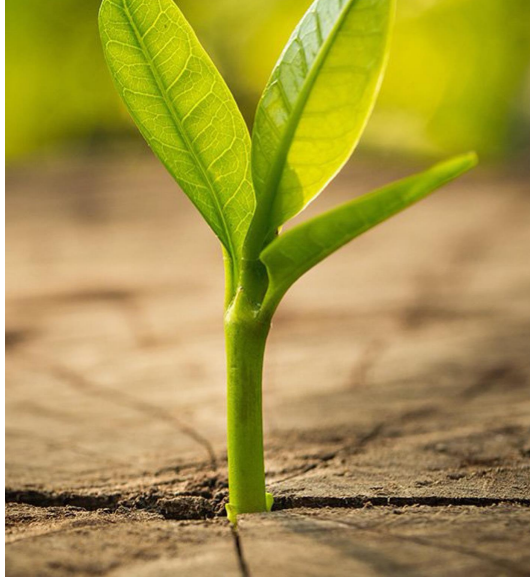
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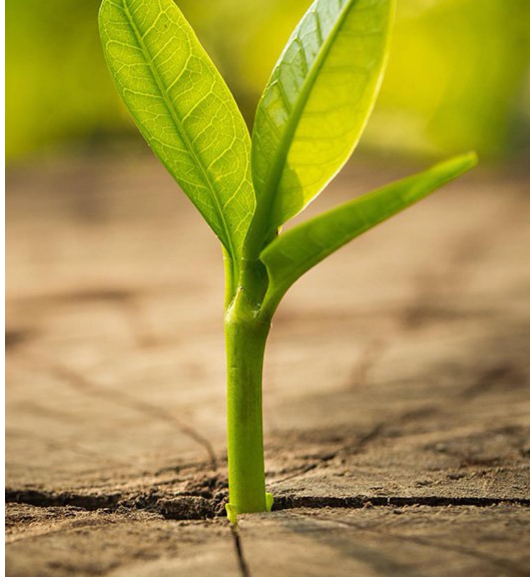
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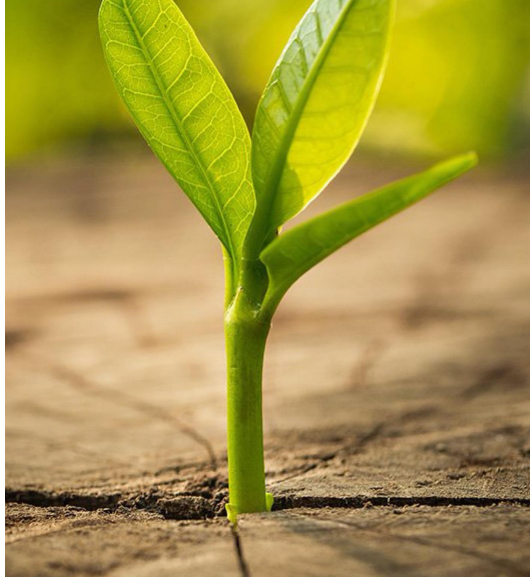
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