

- out of, not of, into, -

the

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Come
Down
Here



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John 17



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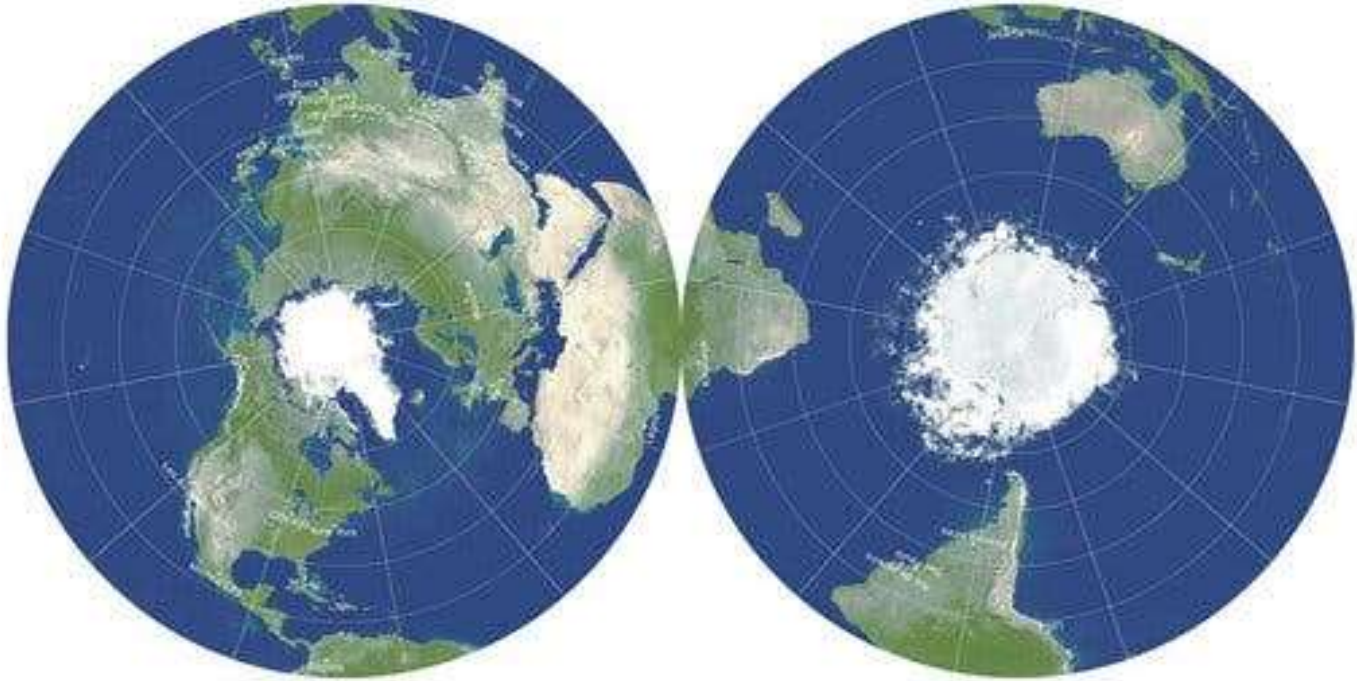
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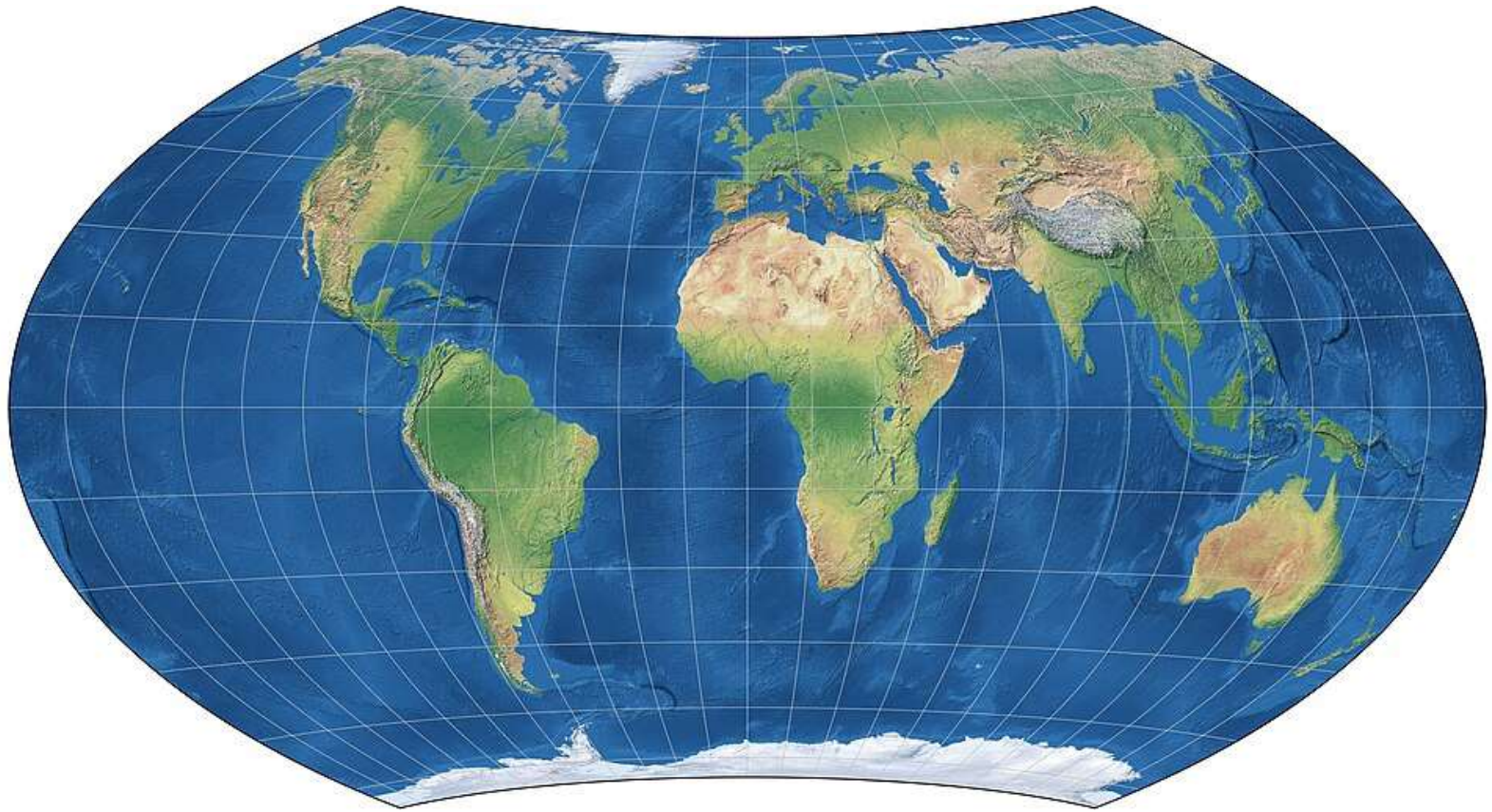
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When it comes to the true Christian's relationship to the world experientially we will not err if we gauge a “thing” by the law of love.

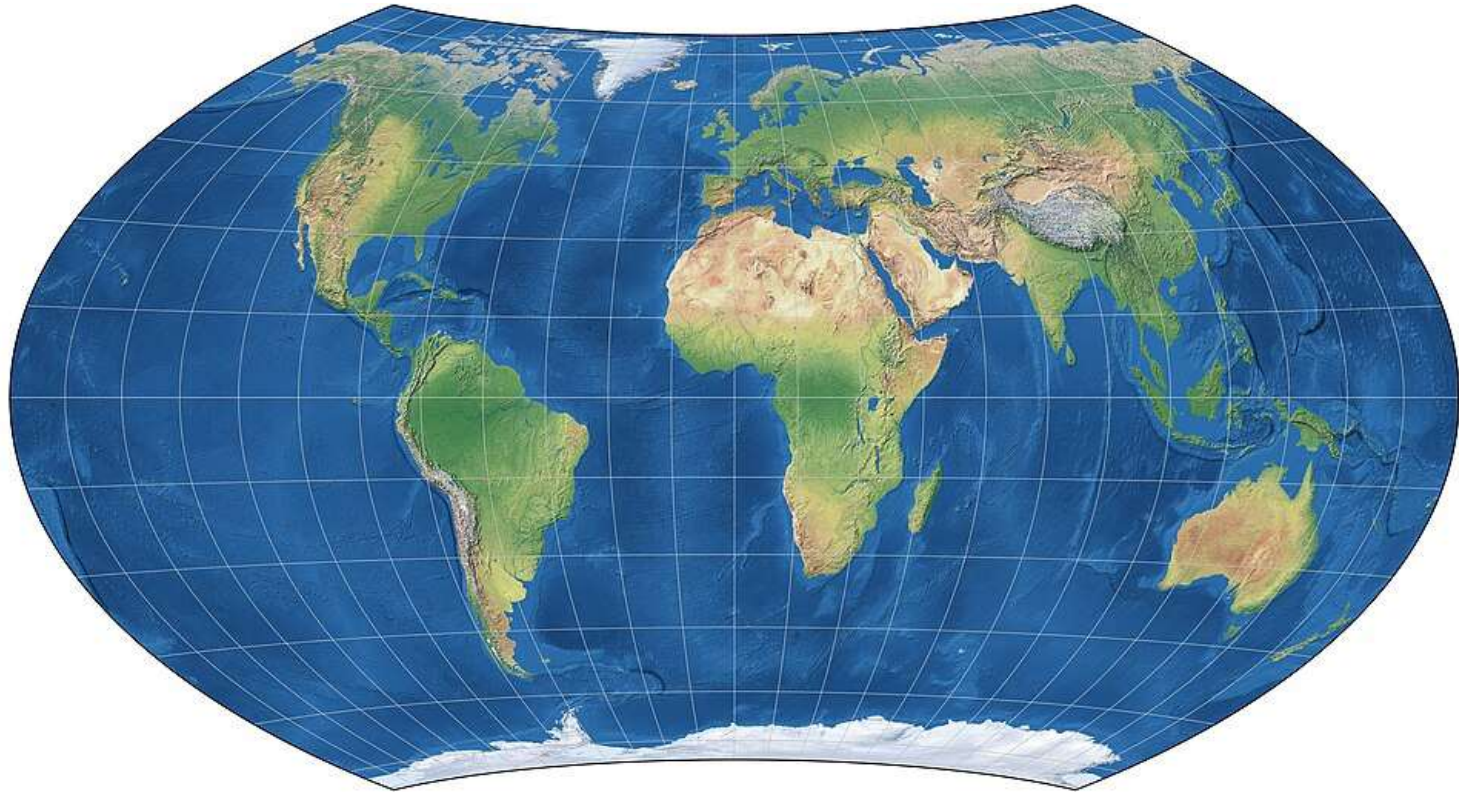
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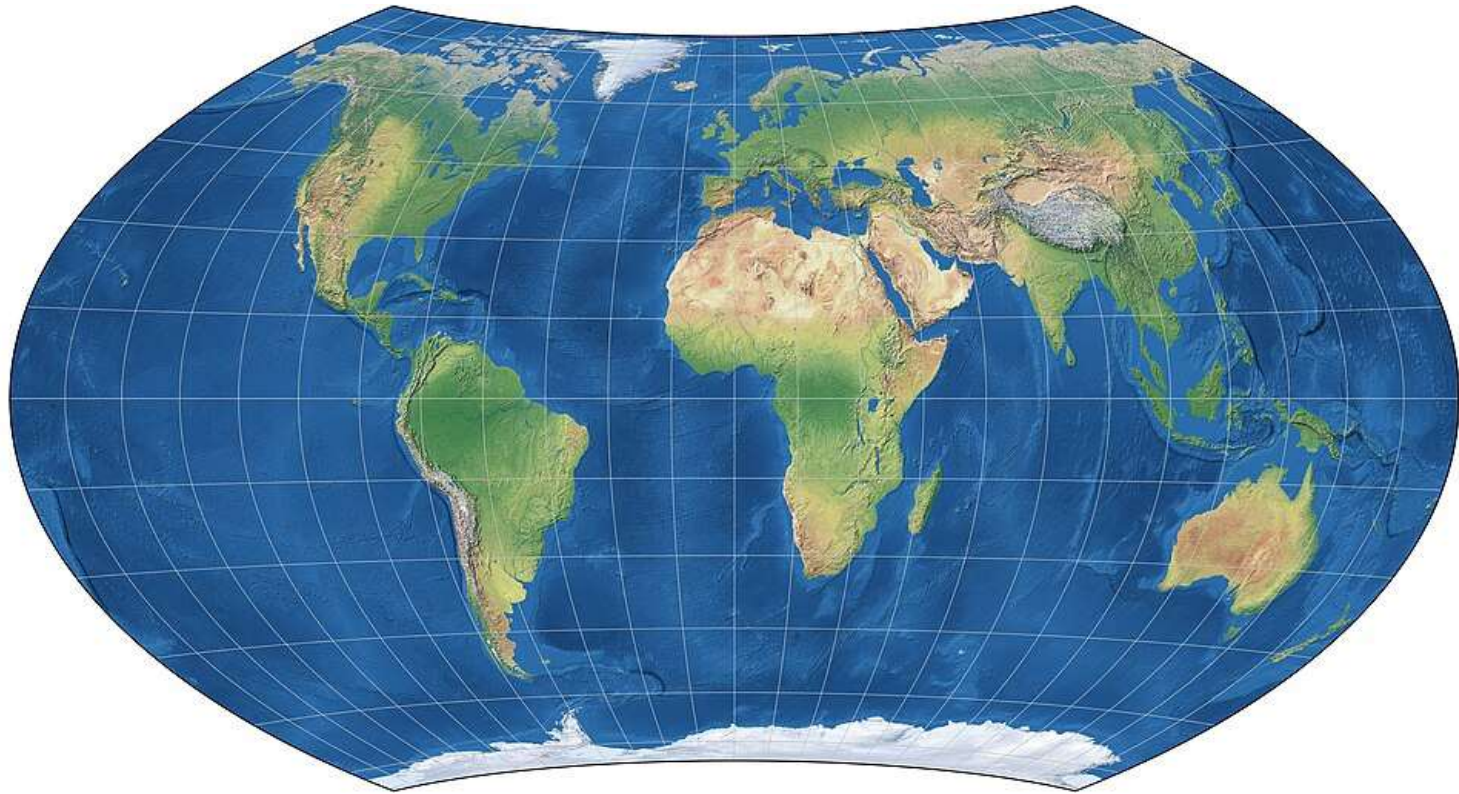




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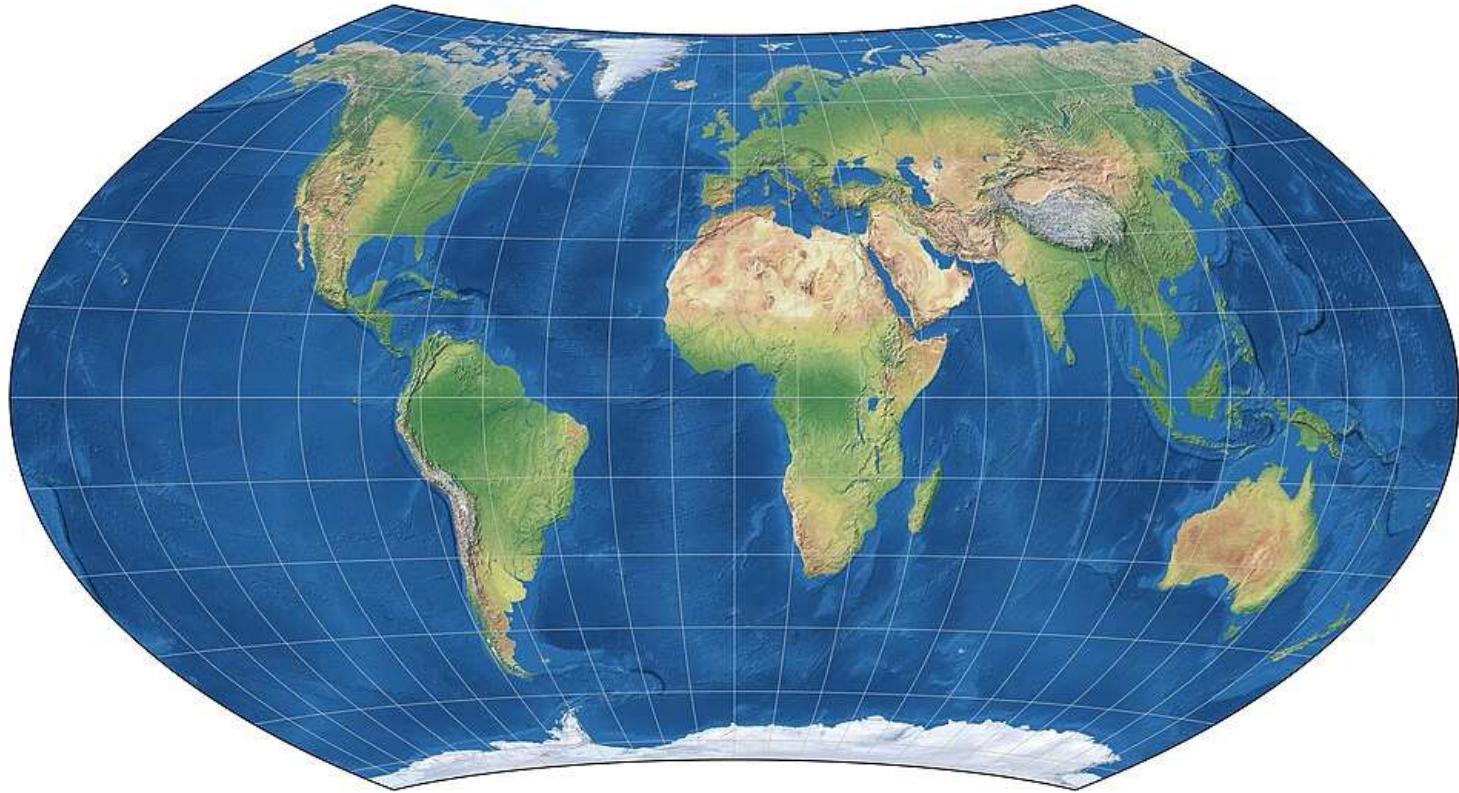


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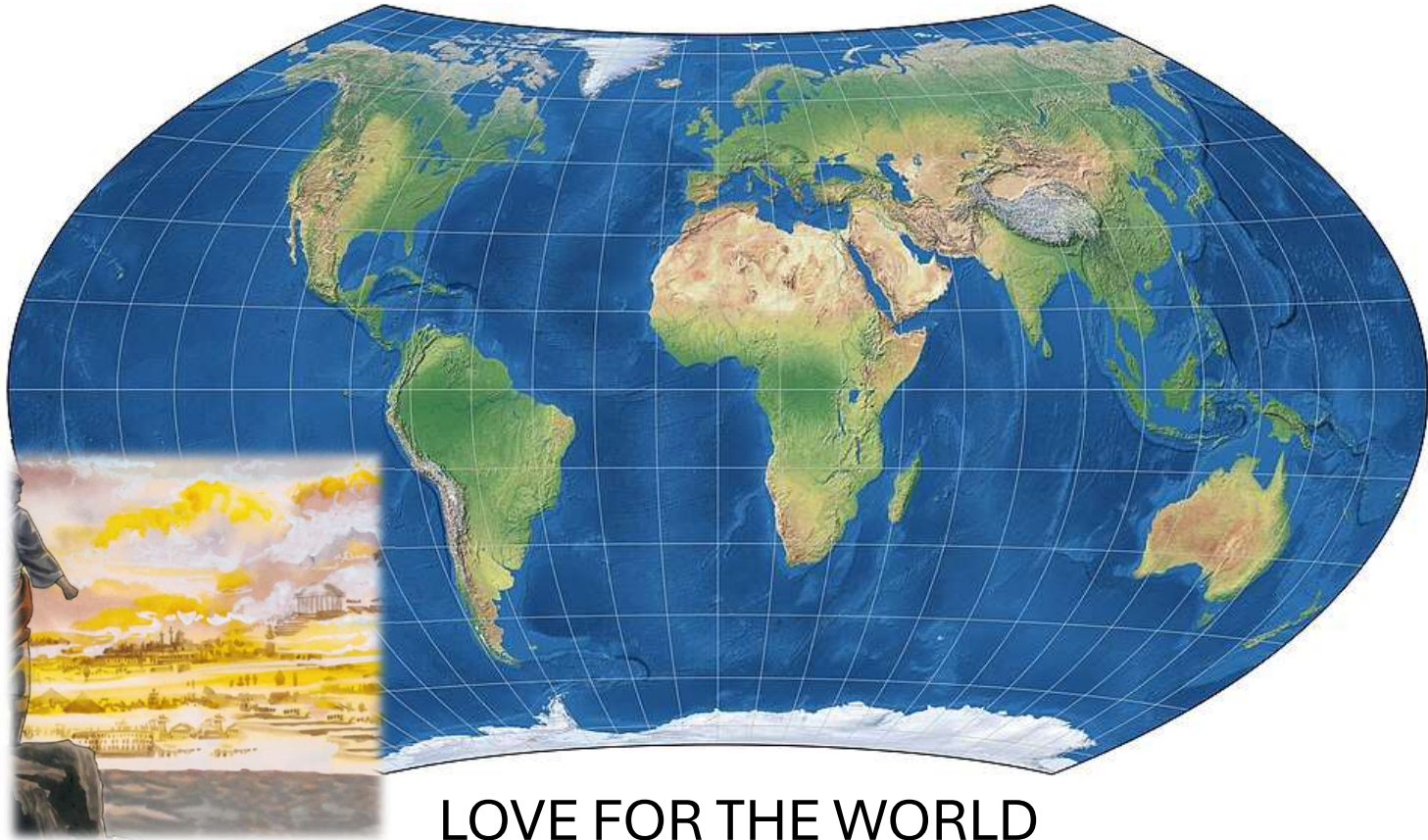
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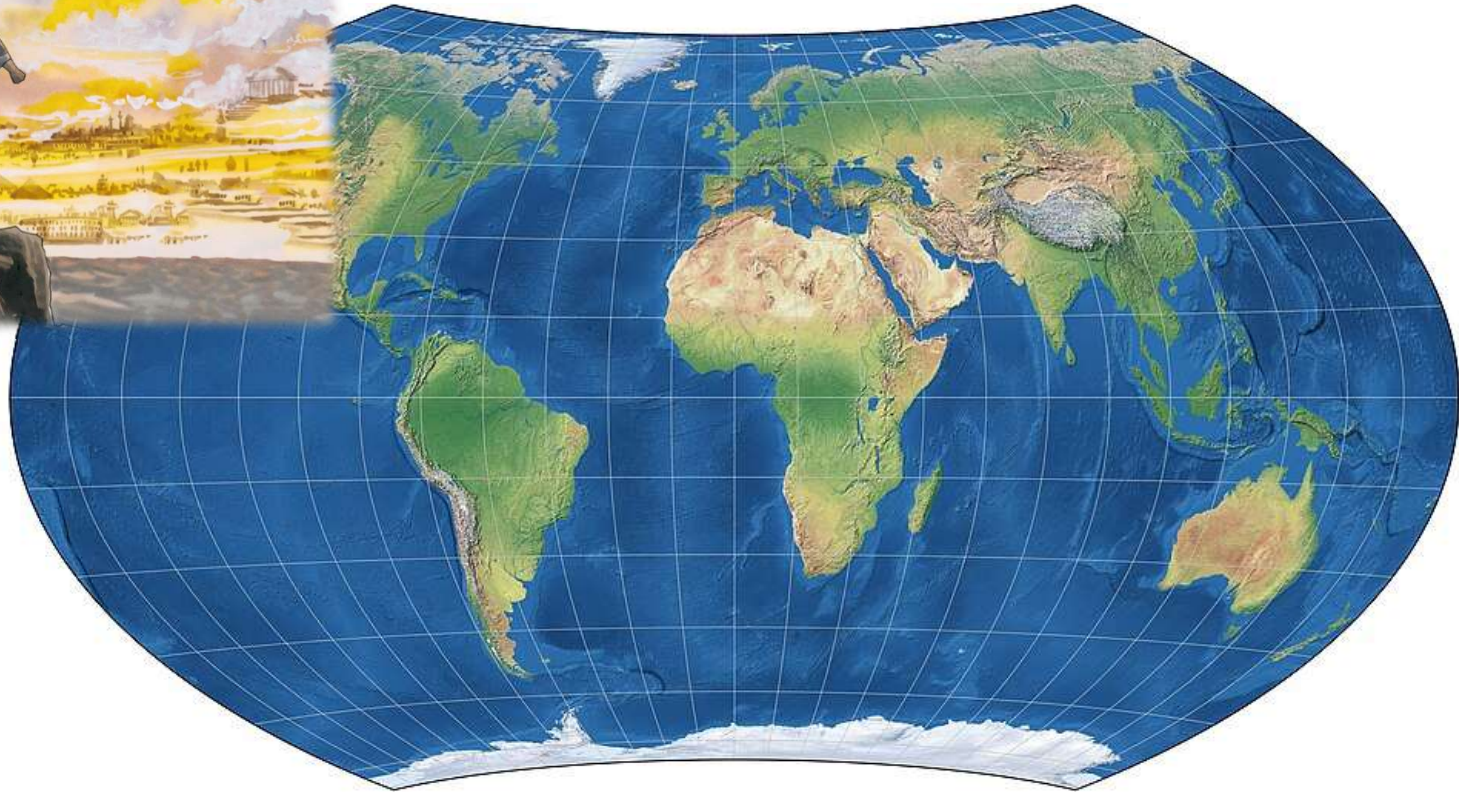
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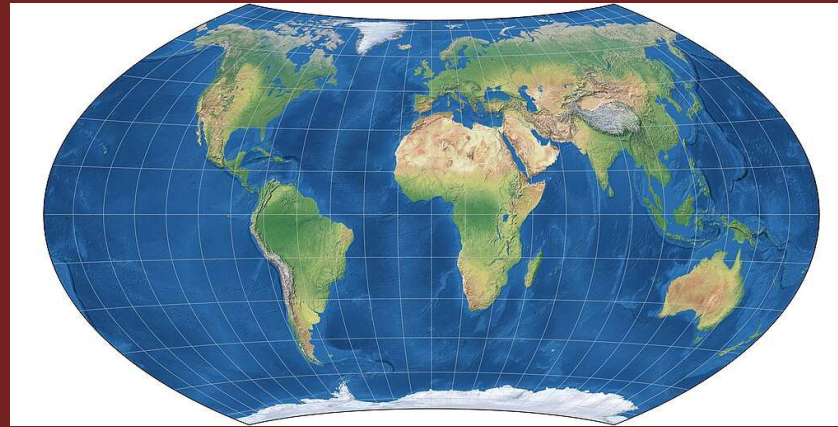
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“That look was a little thing, but it told of a secret love of the world. . . Her heart was in Sodom, though her body was outside. She had left her affection behind. . . Her eye turned the place where her treasure was, as the compass needle turns to the pole.

--J. C. Ryle

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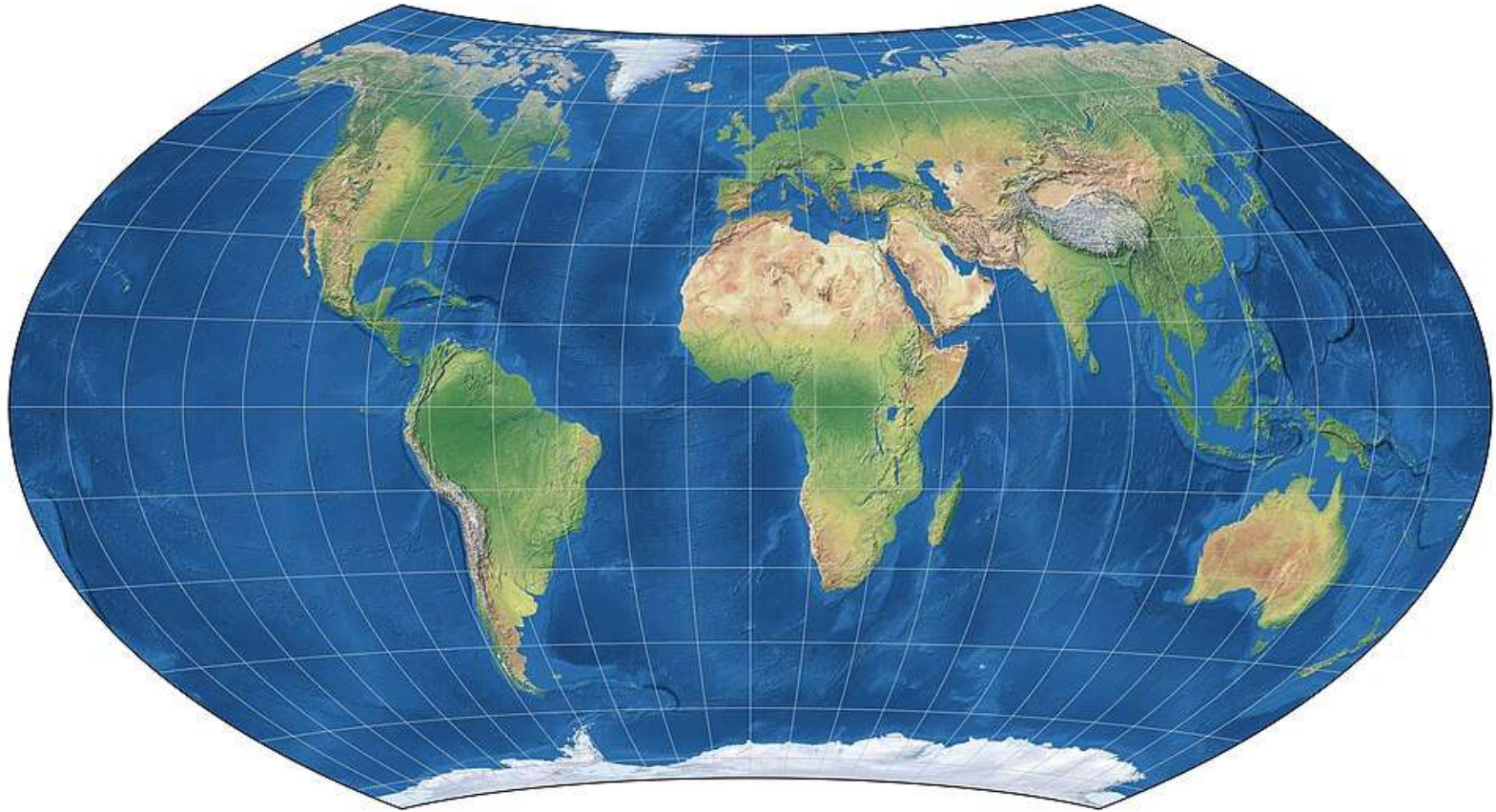
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