



FACING YOUR GIANTS

Five Smooth Stones
September Sermon Series

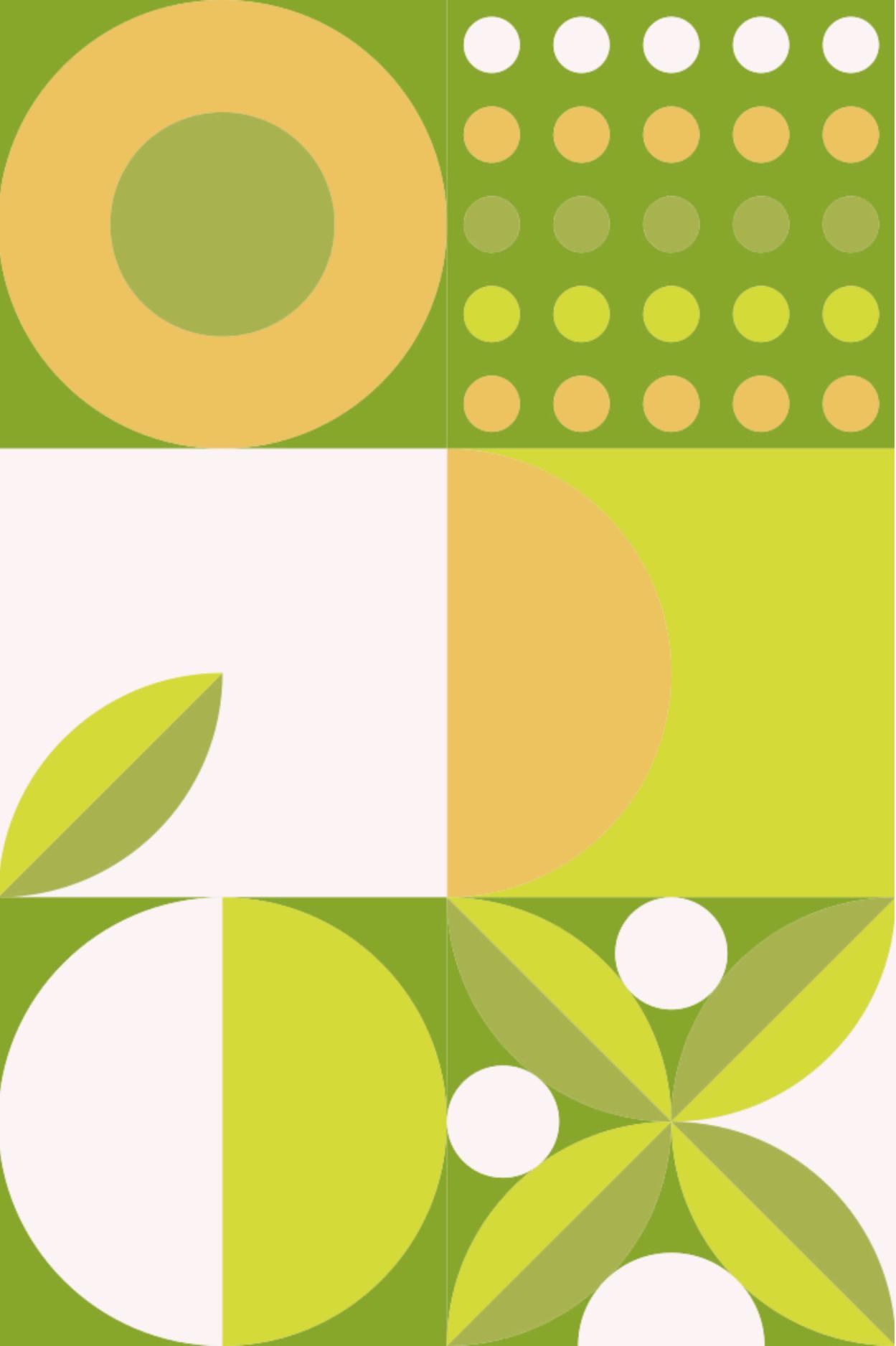
SCRIPTURE LESSON: I SAMUEL 17:48-50



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As the Philistine moved closer to attack him, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet him. Reaching into his bag and taking out a stone, he slung it and struck the Philistine on the forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground. So, David triumphed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone; without a sword in his hand, he struck down the Philistine and killed him.



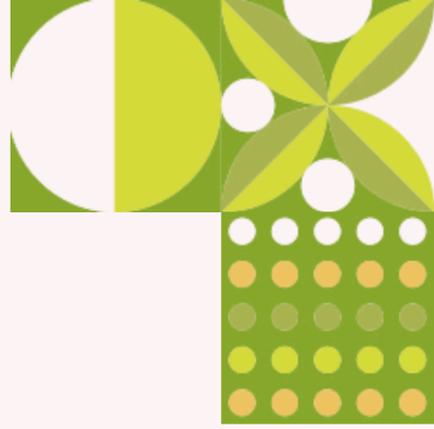


**“IT IS BETTER TO
STAND AND FIGHT,
IF YOU RUN, YOU
WILL ONLY DIE
TIRED.”**

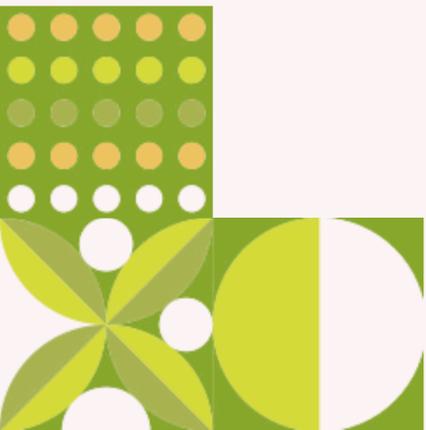
I SAMUEL 17:26

Then David spoke to the men who were standing by him, saying, 'What will be done for the man who kills this Philistine and takes away the reproach from Israel? For who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should taunt the armies of the living God?!





**Uncircumcised means a non
Jew, a heathen,
unregenerated, not purified,
one who refused to trust God.**



I SAMUEL 17:28

Now Eliab his oldest brother heard when he spoke to the men; and Eliab's anger burned against David and he said, 'Why have you come down? And with whom have you left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know your insolence and the wickedness of your heart; for you have come down to see the battle.'



I SAMUEL 17:34-36

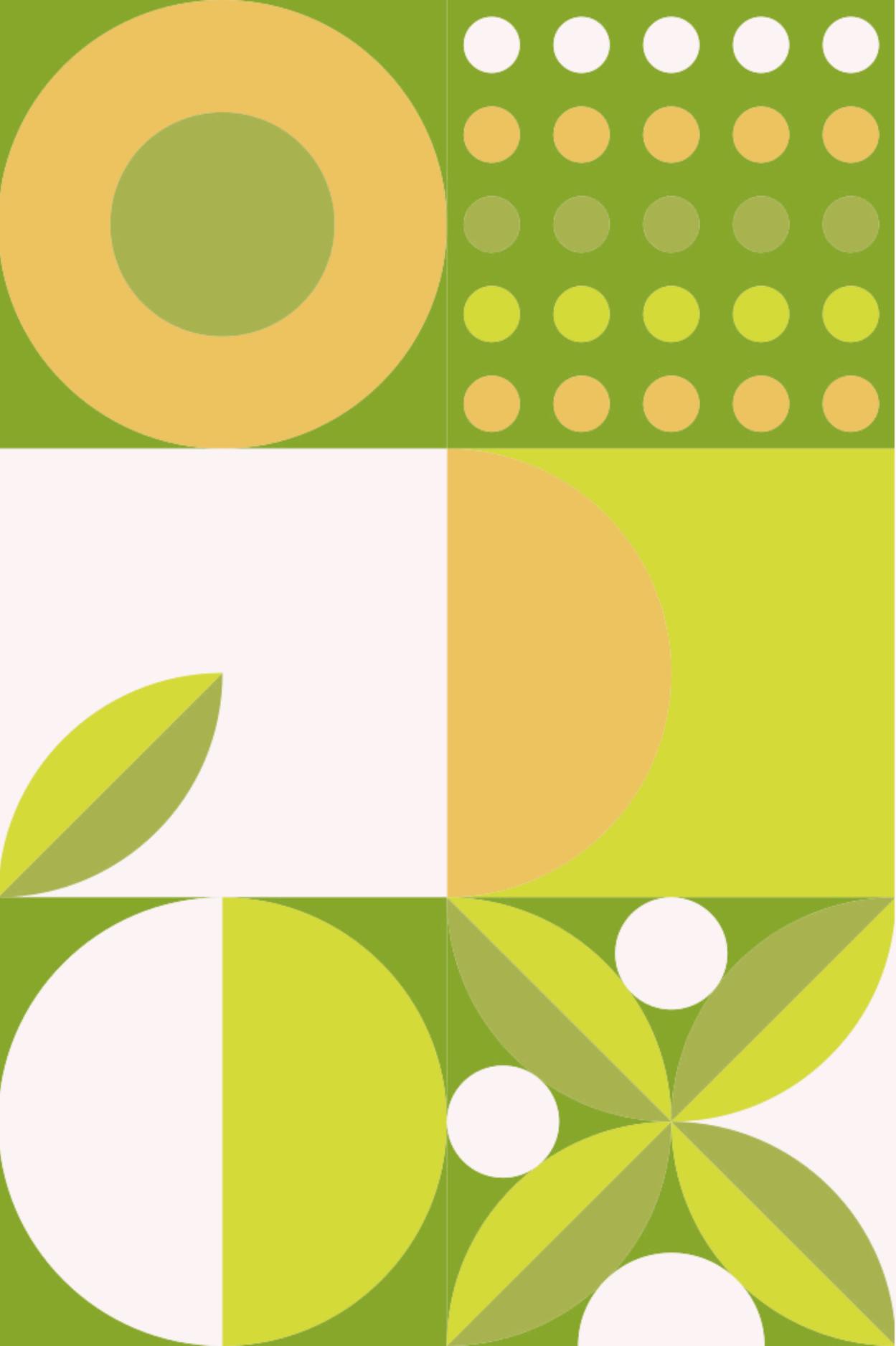
“But David said to Saul, ‘Your servant was tending his father’s sheep. When a lion or a bear came and took a lamb from the flock, I went out after him and attacked him and rescued it from his mouth; and when he revolted against me, I seized him by his beard and struck him and killed him. Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; and this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, since he has taunted the armies of the living God



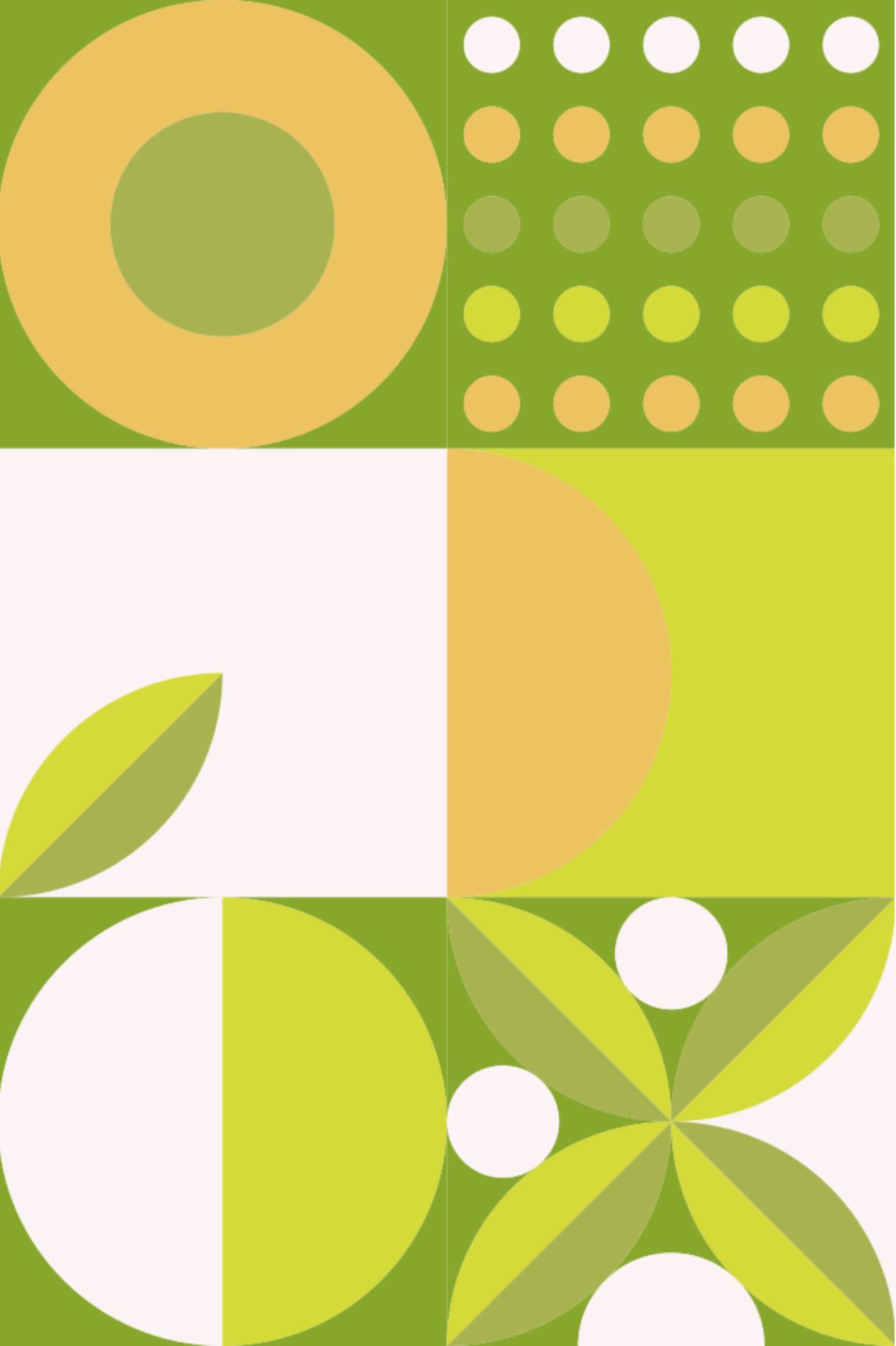
I SAMUEL 17:37

The Lord who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, He will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine.' And Saul said to David, 'Go, and may the Lord be with you.'





**WHAT YOU CHOOSE
TO TALK ABOUT AT
THE MOST
FRIGHTENING AND
TRAUMATIC MOMENT
OF YOUR LIFE
REVEALS WHAT IS IN
YOUR HEART.**



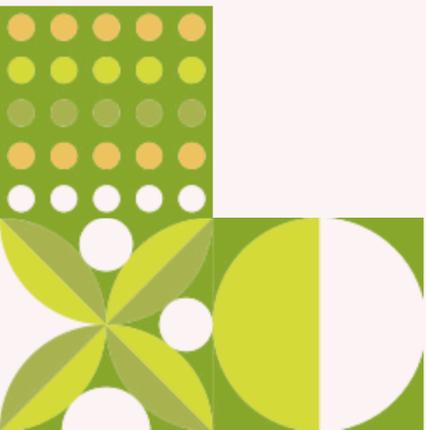
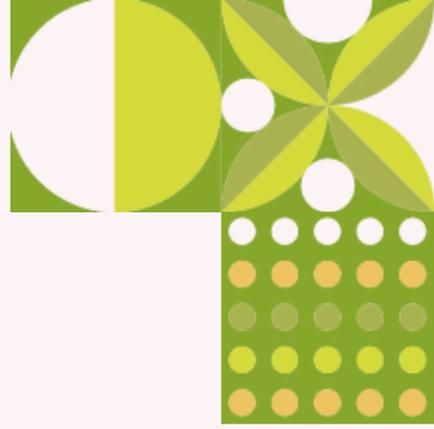
**THE BATTLE IS NOT
MINE TO LOSE BUT IT
IS THE LORD'S TO
WIN!**

I SAMUEL 17:45-46

Then David said to the Philistine, 'You come to me with a sword, a spear and a javelin, but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have taunted. This day the Lord will deliver you up into my hands and I will strike you down and remove your head from you. And I will give the dead bodies of the army of the Philistines this day to the birds of the sky and the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel.'



**Stop talking about your
mountain and start talking to
your mountain!**



FOUR LIFE LESSONS FOR FACING YOUR GIANT:



**1. Don't Pay Attention
to the Doubts
Expressed by the
Faithless Around You.**

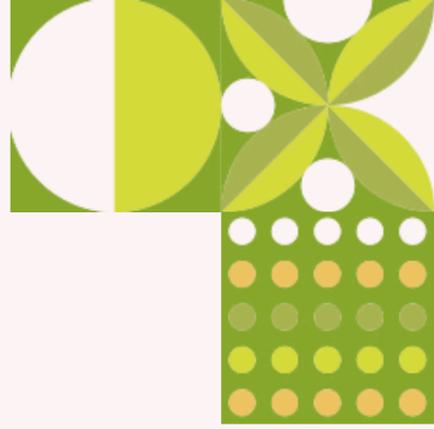
1 samuel 17:33



I TIMOTHY 4:12

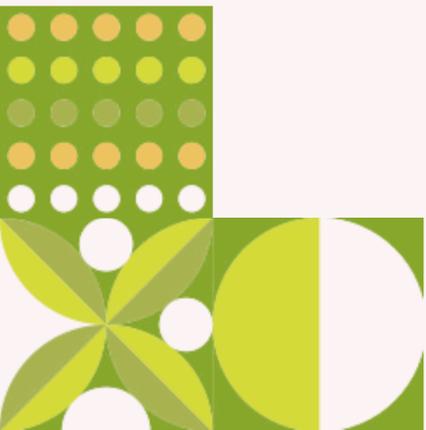
Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity.





**“Believe you can and you’re
half way there.”**

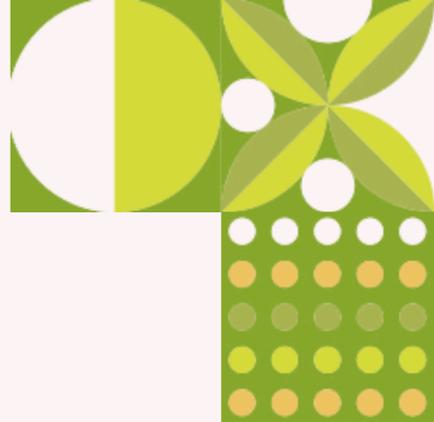
Theodore Roosevelt



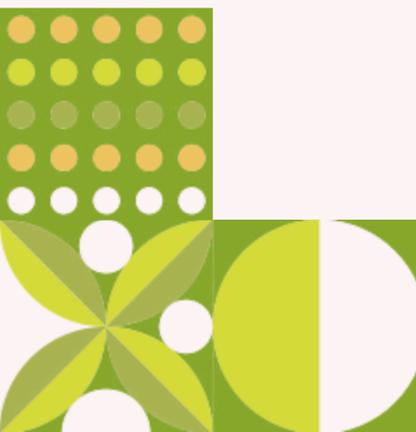
**2. Trust that God is
Greater than any
Goliath You may be
Facing.**

1 Samuel 17:37

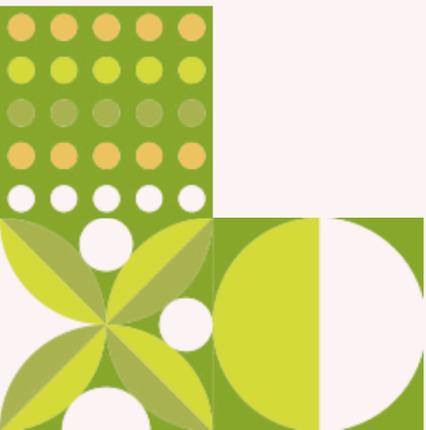
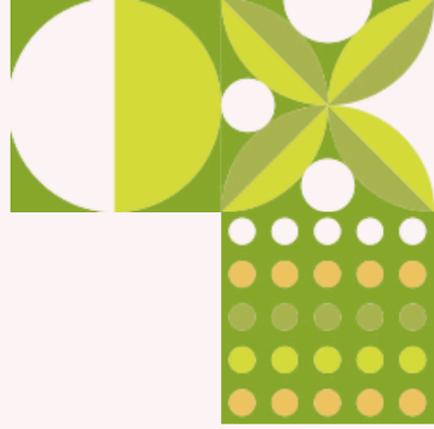




God doesn't give the hardest battles to His toughest soldiers; He creates the toughest soldiers out of life's hardest battles."



**“The giant in front of you is
never bigger than the God
inside you.”**



I JOHN 4:4

Greater is He that is in you, than he that is
in the world...



3. Prepare for Battle.

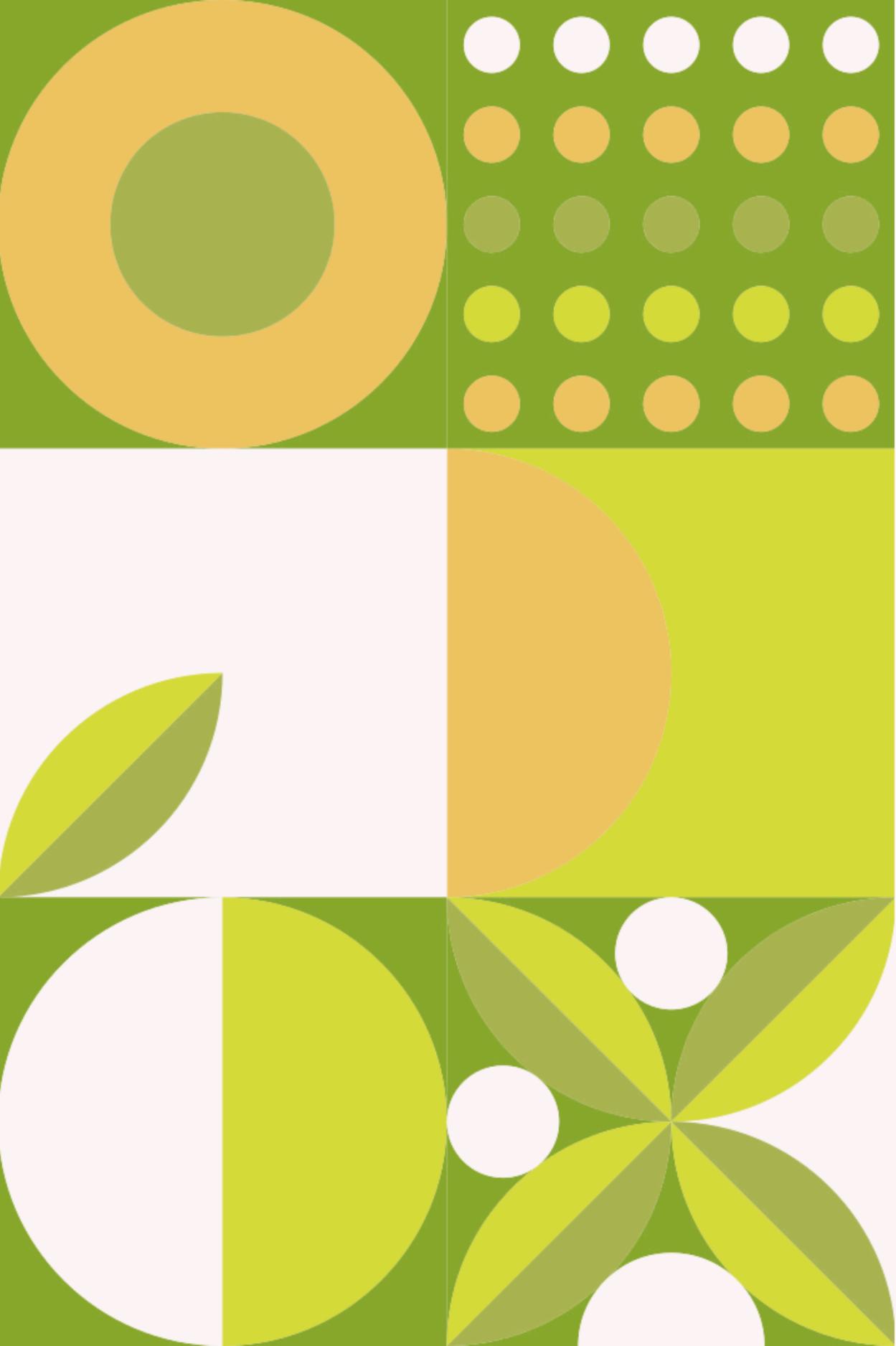
1 Samuel 17:40



EPHESIANS 6:11

Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.



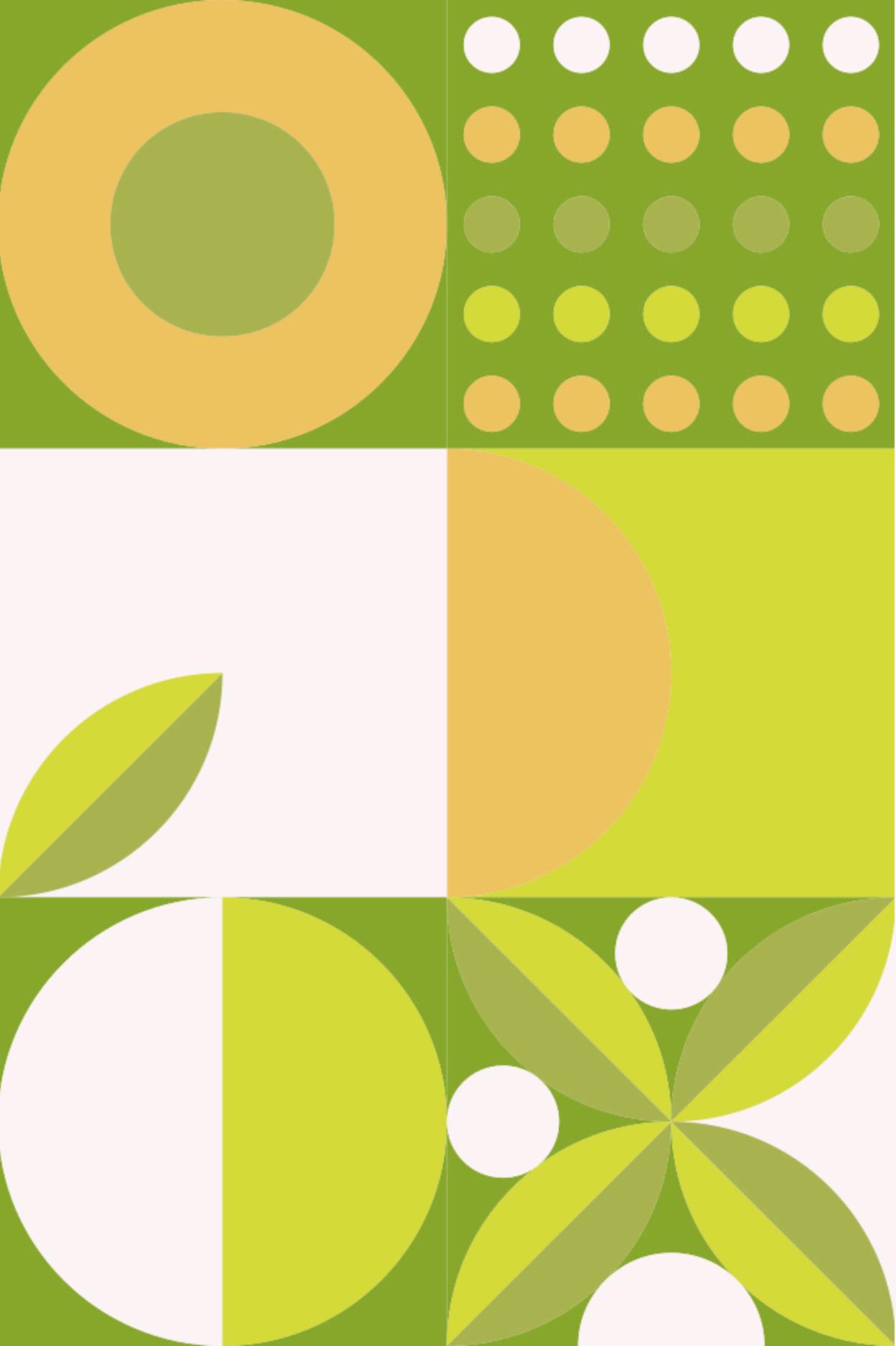


**“NO MATTER HOW
HARD IT IS, NO
MATTER HOW HARD
IT GETS, I’M GOING
TO MAKE IT.”**

**4. DO NOT FEAR BUT BE
BOLD.**

1 Samuel 17:48





**“COURAGE IS NEVER
TO LET YOUR ACTIONS
BE INFLUENCED BY
YOUR FEARS.”**

DEUTERONOMY 31:6,

Be strong, be bold, don't be afraid or frightened of them, for ADONAI your God is going with you.



**All you need is
faith in the
ROCK!**

