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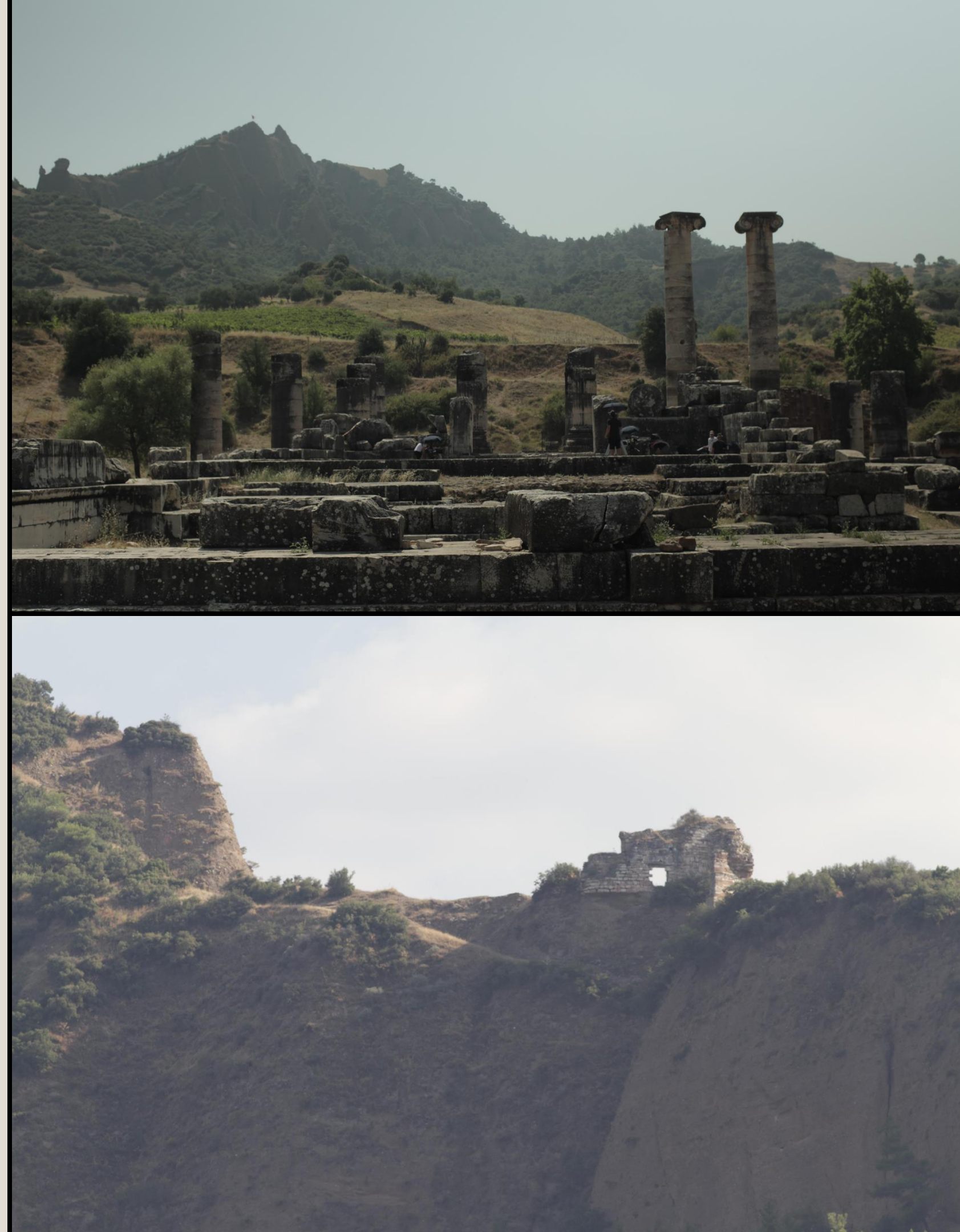
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⁴John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, **and from the seven spirits who are before his throne,** ⁵and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

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Isaiah 11:1–2

There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. And the Spirit **(1)** of **the LORD** shall rest upon him, the Spirit **(2)** of **wisdom** and **(3)** understanding, the Spirit **(4)** of **counsel** and **(5)** **might**, the Spirit **(6)** of **knowledge** and **(7)** the **fear** of the LORD.

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1. Stay spiritual alert.
2. Keep strengthening what we do have.
3. Preach the Gospel to ourselves & live it out.
4. Repent regularly.
5. Live like Jesus is going to return.

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“These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Revelation 7:14b

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