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The Theme of *Righteousness* at Play in the Text

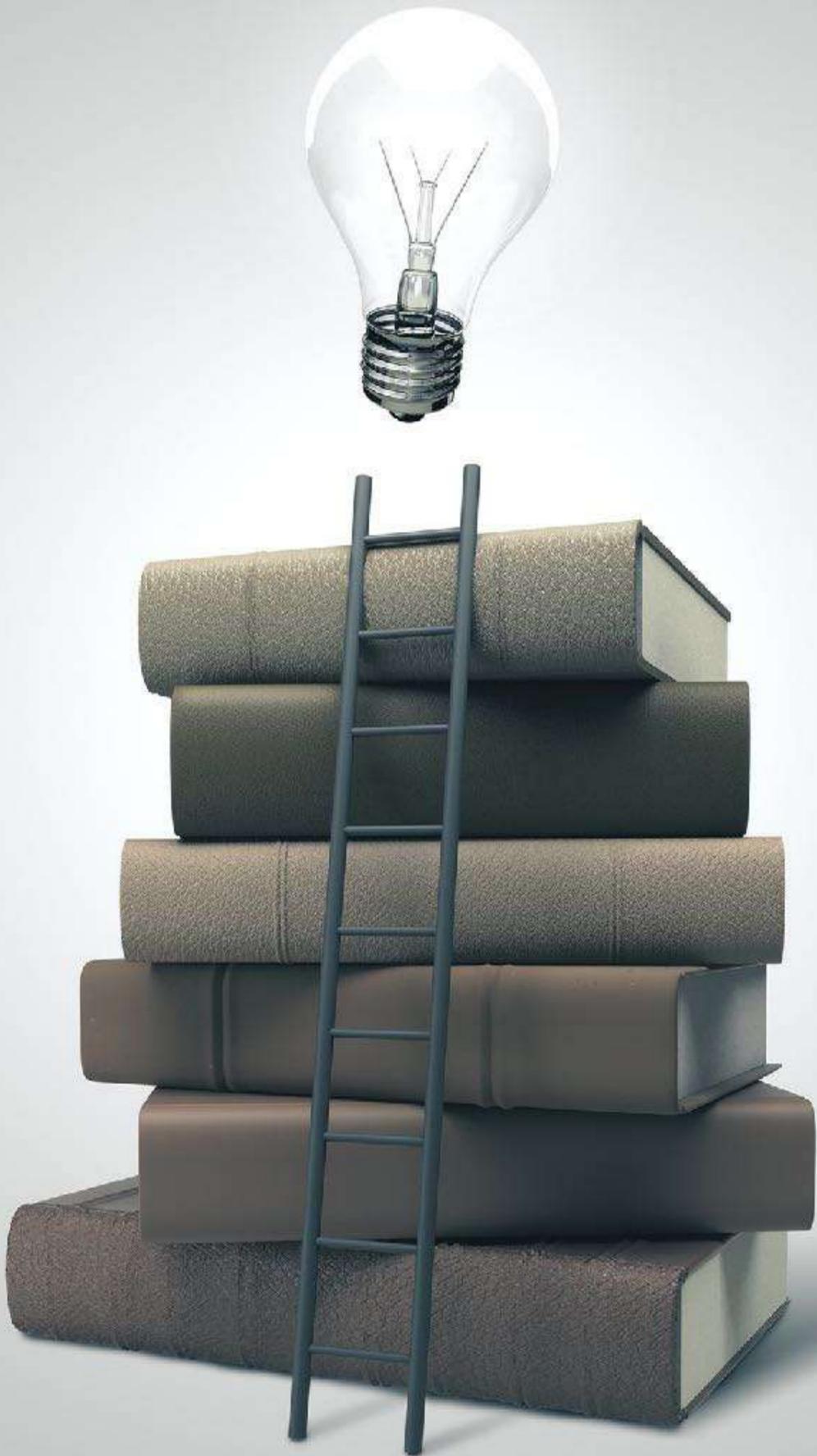
1. 1:5 - God is light and therefore the definition of true righteousness
2. 1:6-7 - Walk in the light and behave righteously
3. 1:8-10 - Don't claim to be perfectly righteous; confess your sin



HEAVEN'S HALL OF JUSTICE

1 John 2:1





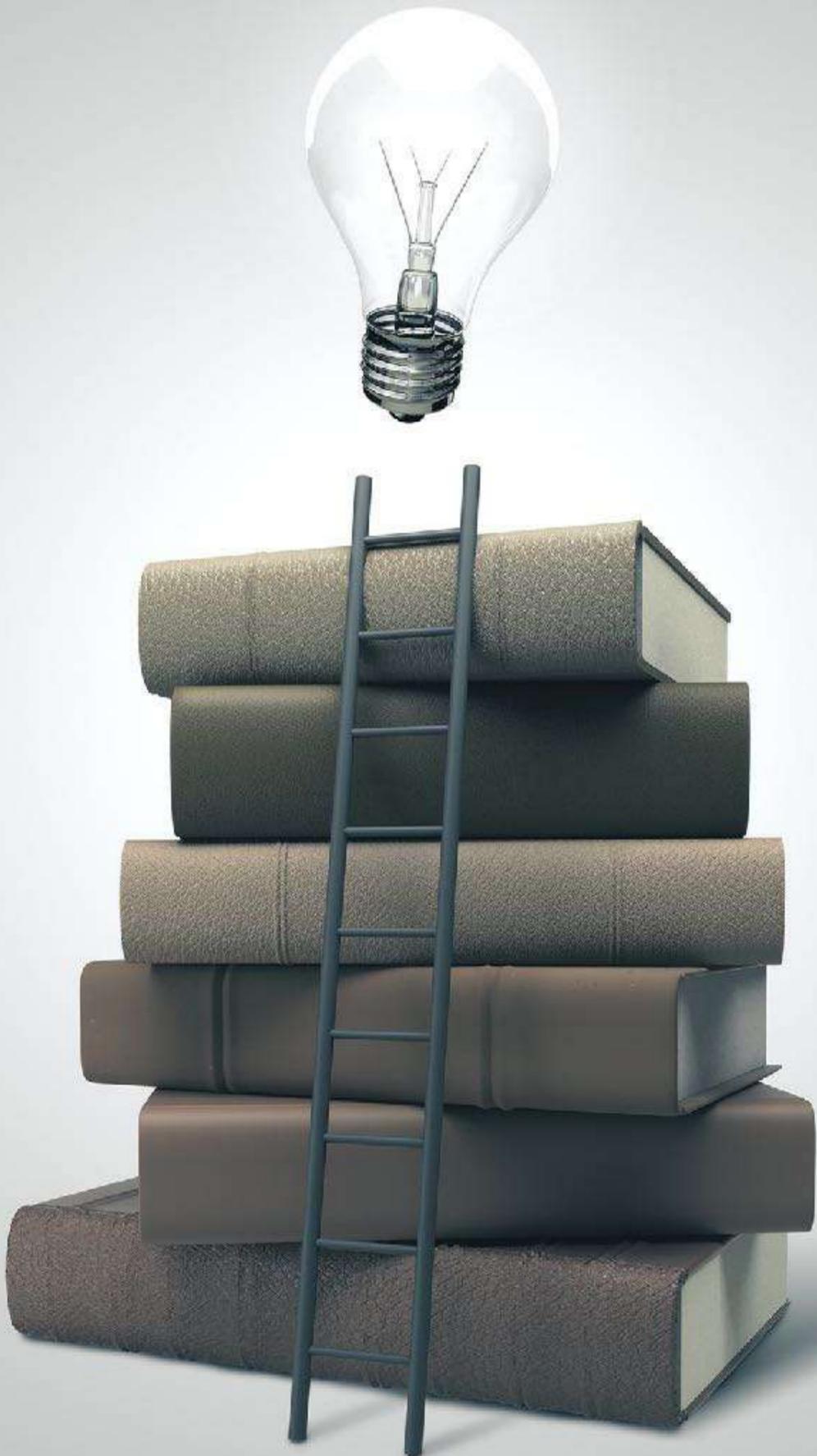
WHY CHRIST IS NEEDED IN HEAVEN'S HALL OF JUSTICE

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For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, the just shall live by faith.

Romans 1:17

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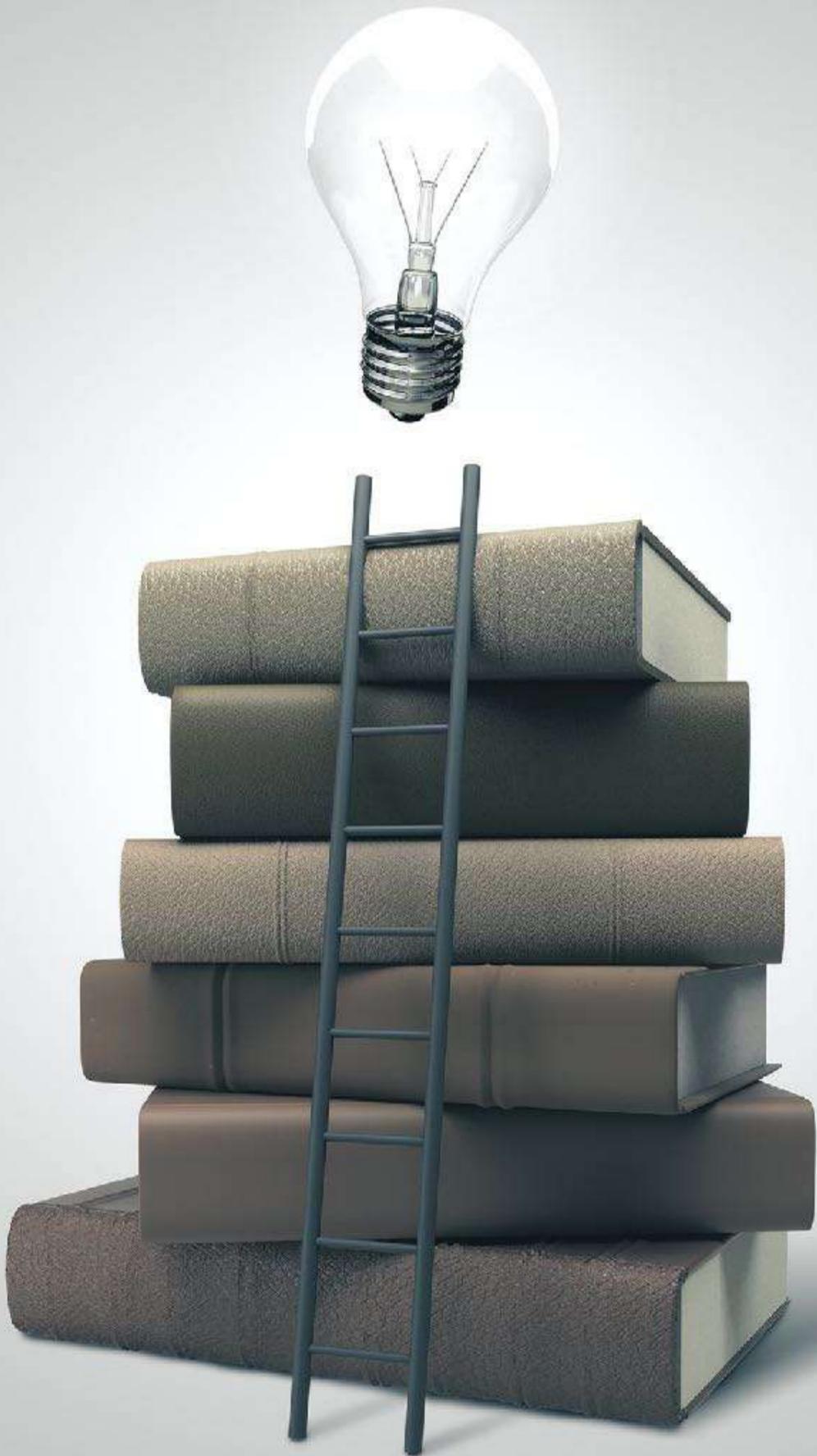
1. Justice was not set aside at salvation
2. Justice was satisfied at salvation

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If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:9

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WHY CHRIST IS NEEDED IN HEAVEN'S HALL OF JUSTICE

- If Christ was not present there would be no way to assuage justice for sin



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Without the shedding of blood there is
no forgiveness of sins.

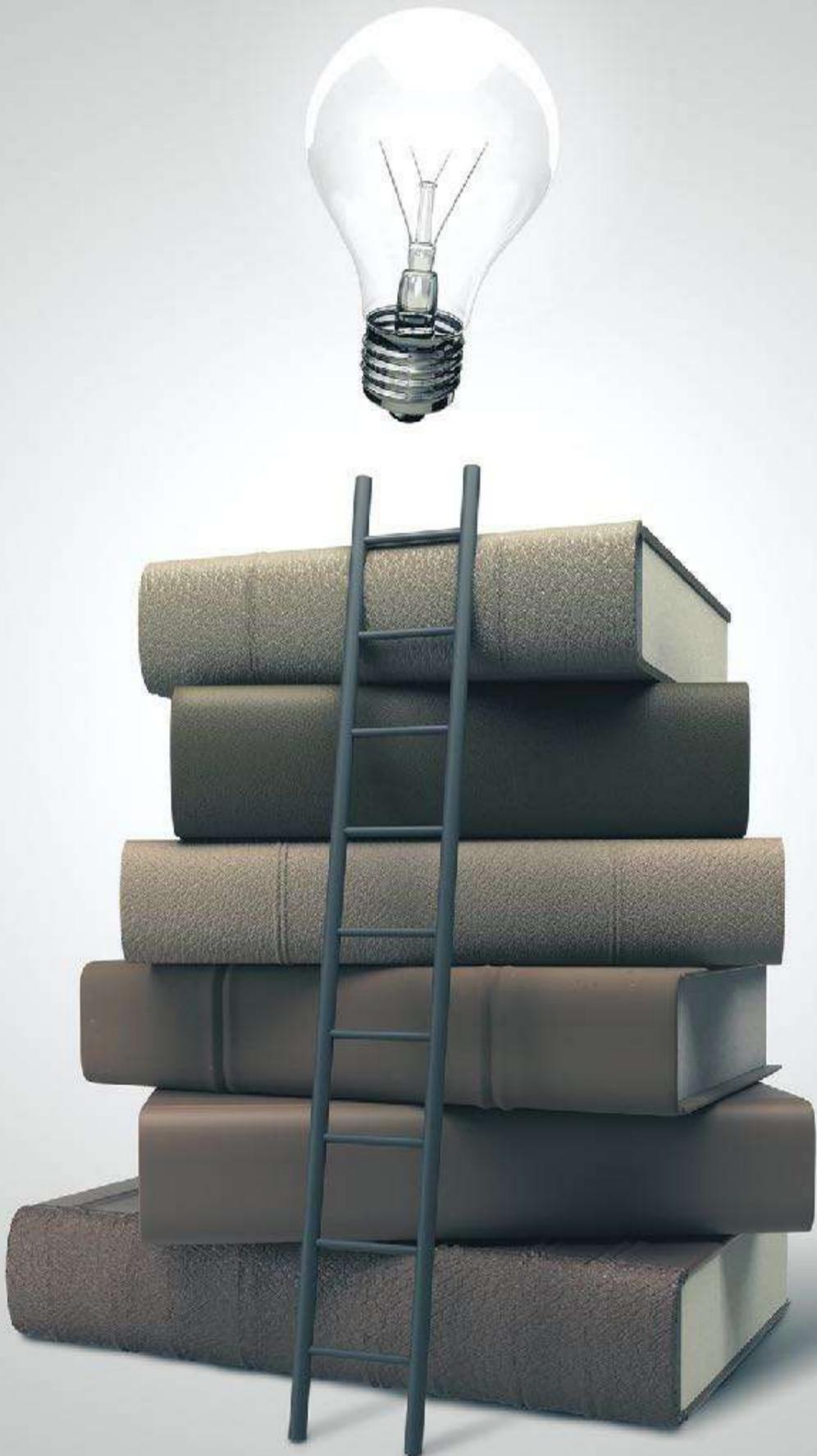
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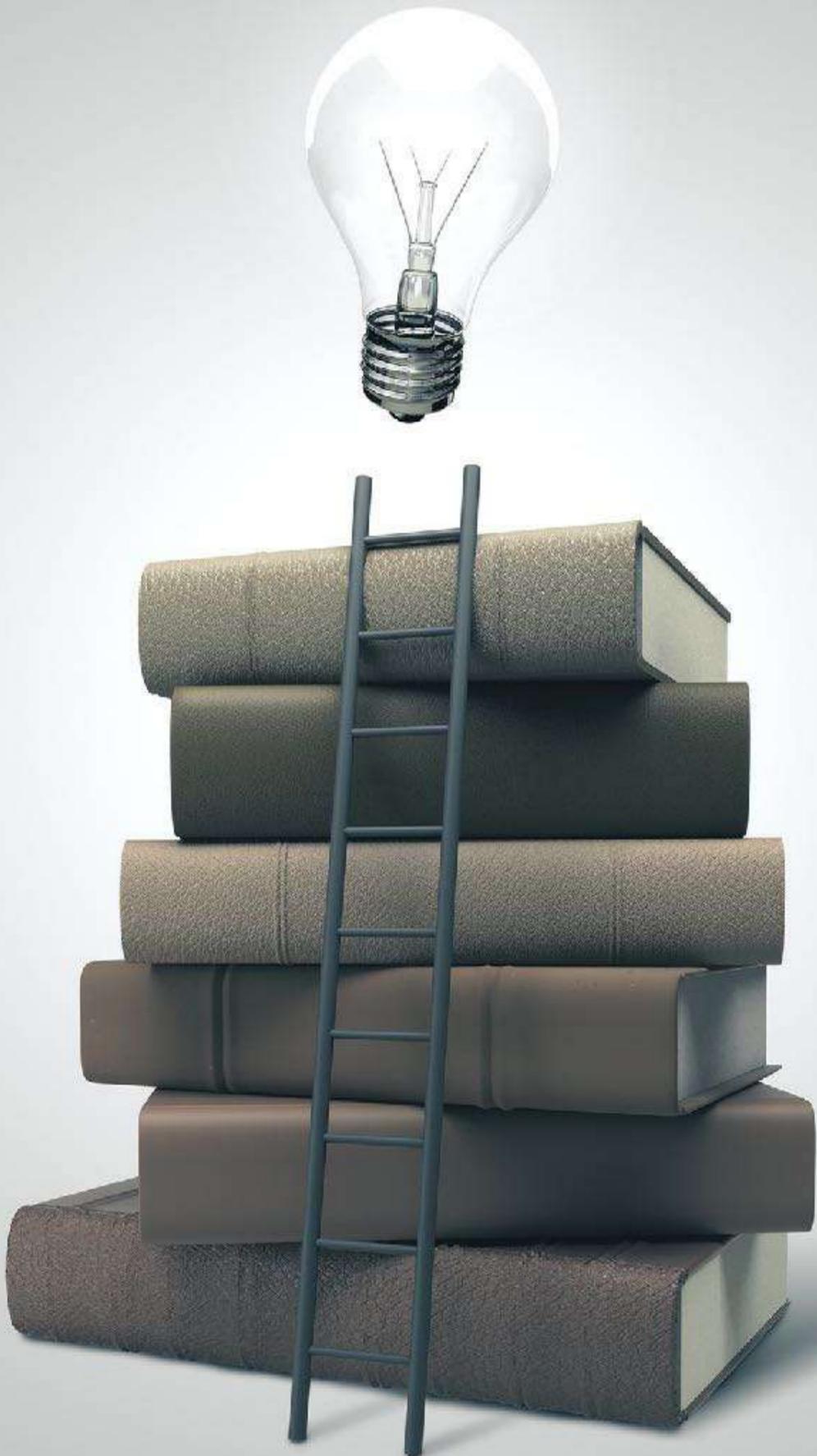
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WHO CHRIST IS IN HEAVEN'S HALL OF JUSTICE

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- God is the judge
- Satan is the accuser
- Every person who ever lived is on trial
- Jesus is our advocate before the Father



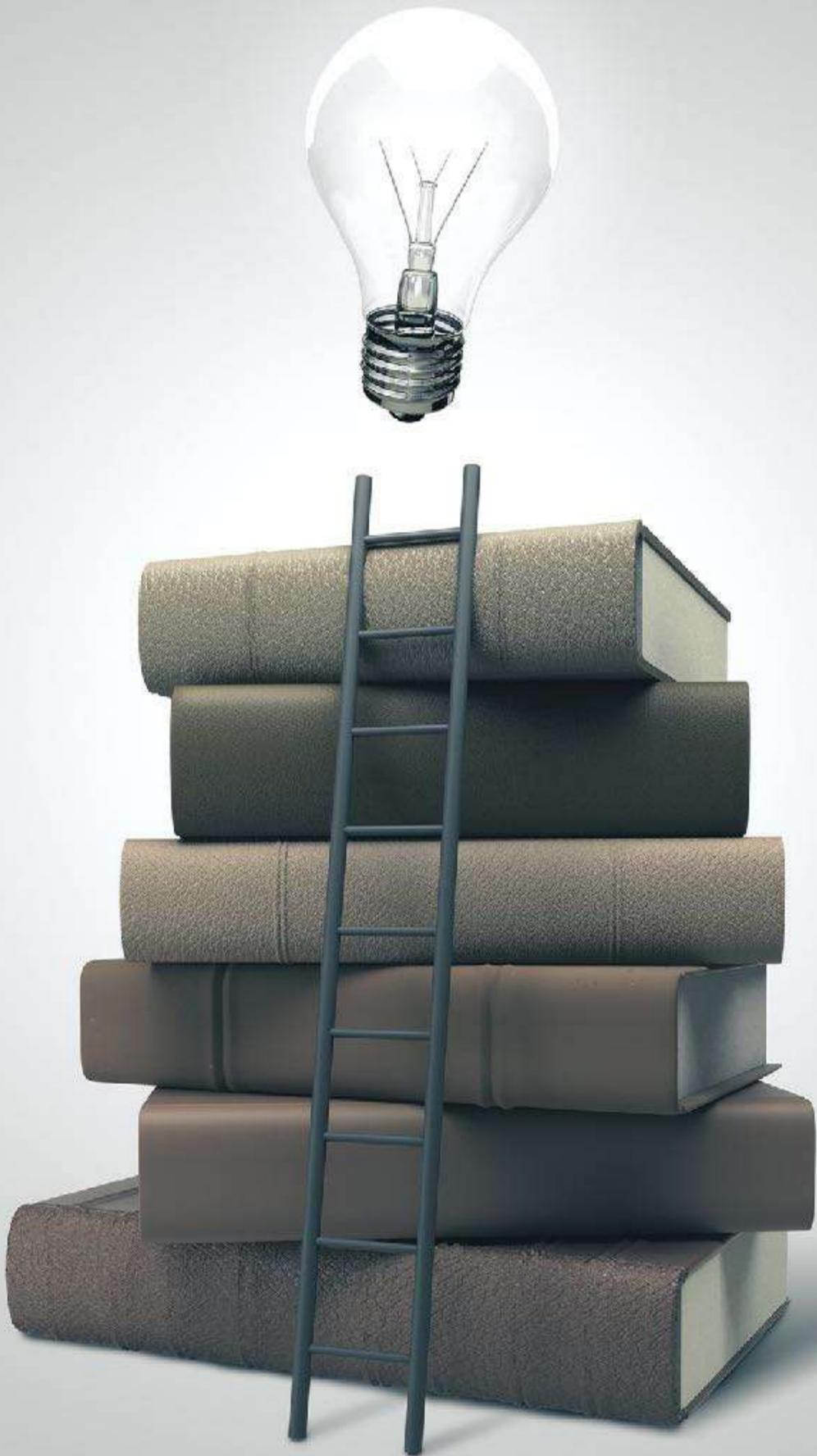
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1. Jesus appeals to God on your behalf
2. Jesus is accepted by God because He is righteous

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WHAT CHRIST HAS DONE IN HEAVEN'S HALL OF JUSTICE



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There is therefore no condemnation for
those who are in Christ Jesus.

Romans 8:1

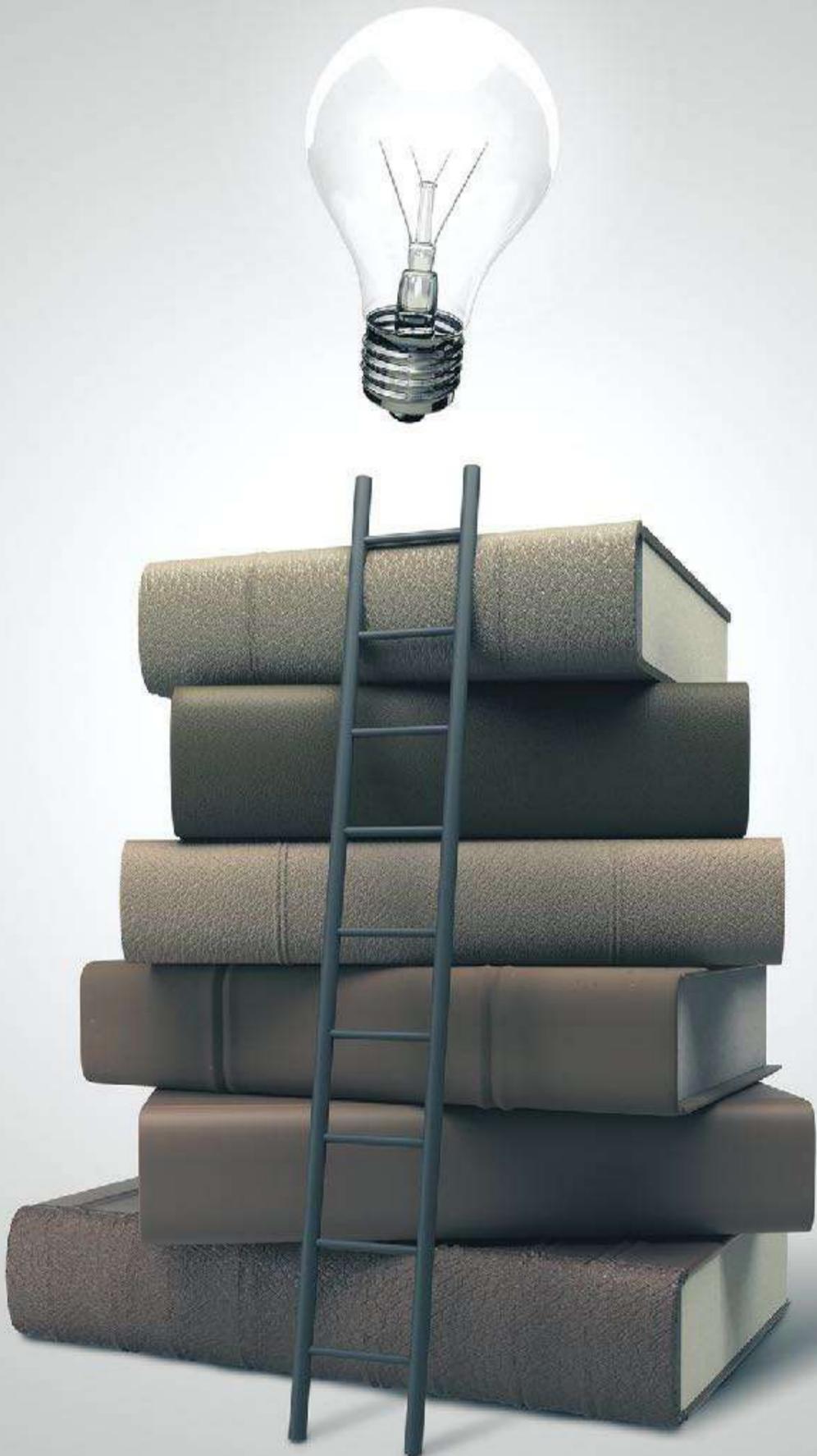
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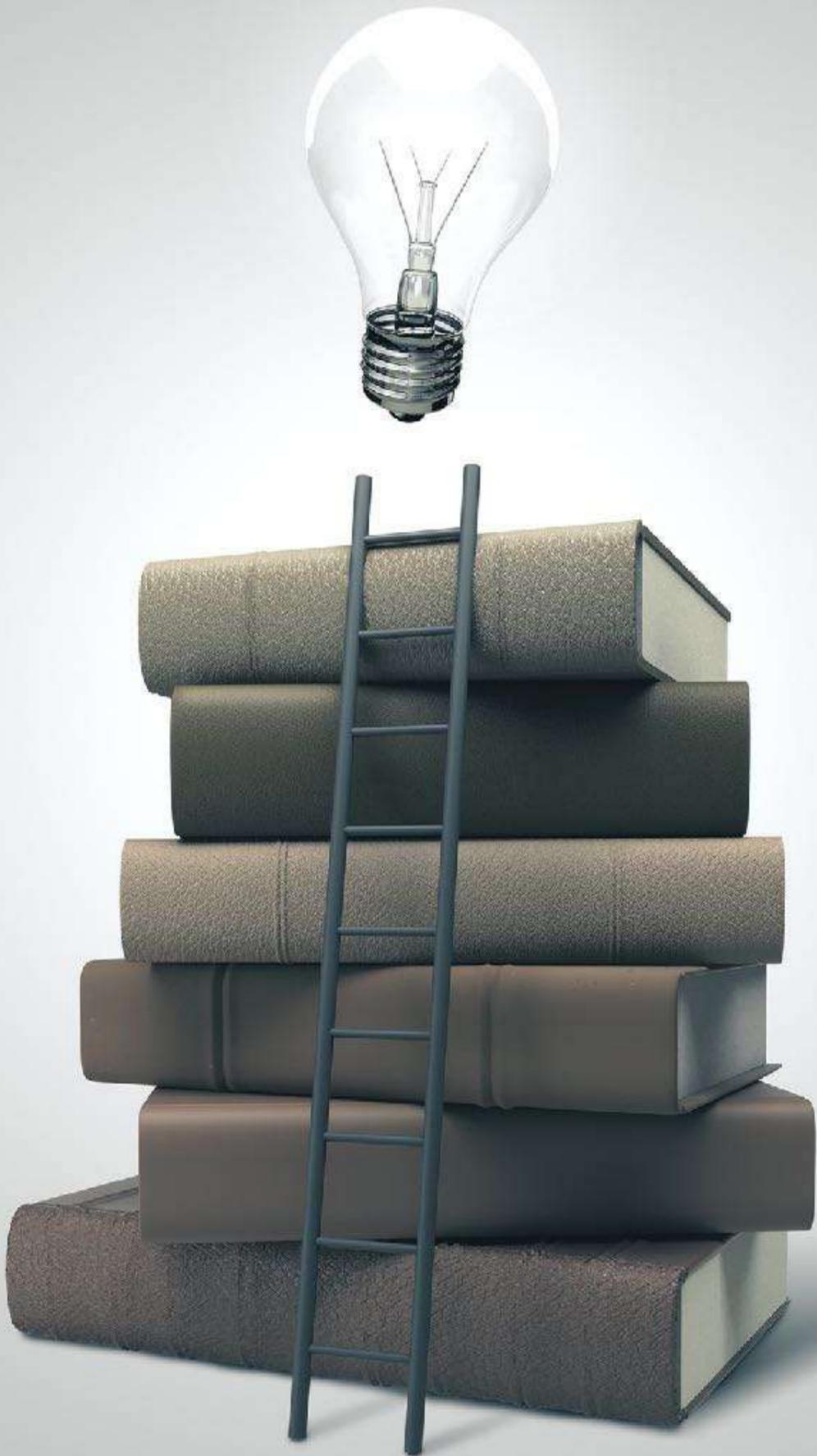
- The Verdict = A Full Pardon

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Herein is love, not that we loved God,
but that he loved us, and sent His Son to
be the propitiation for our sins.

1 John 4:10

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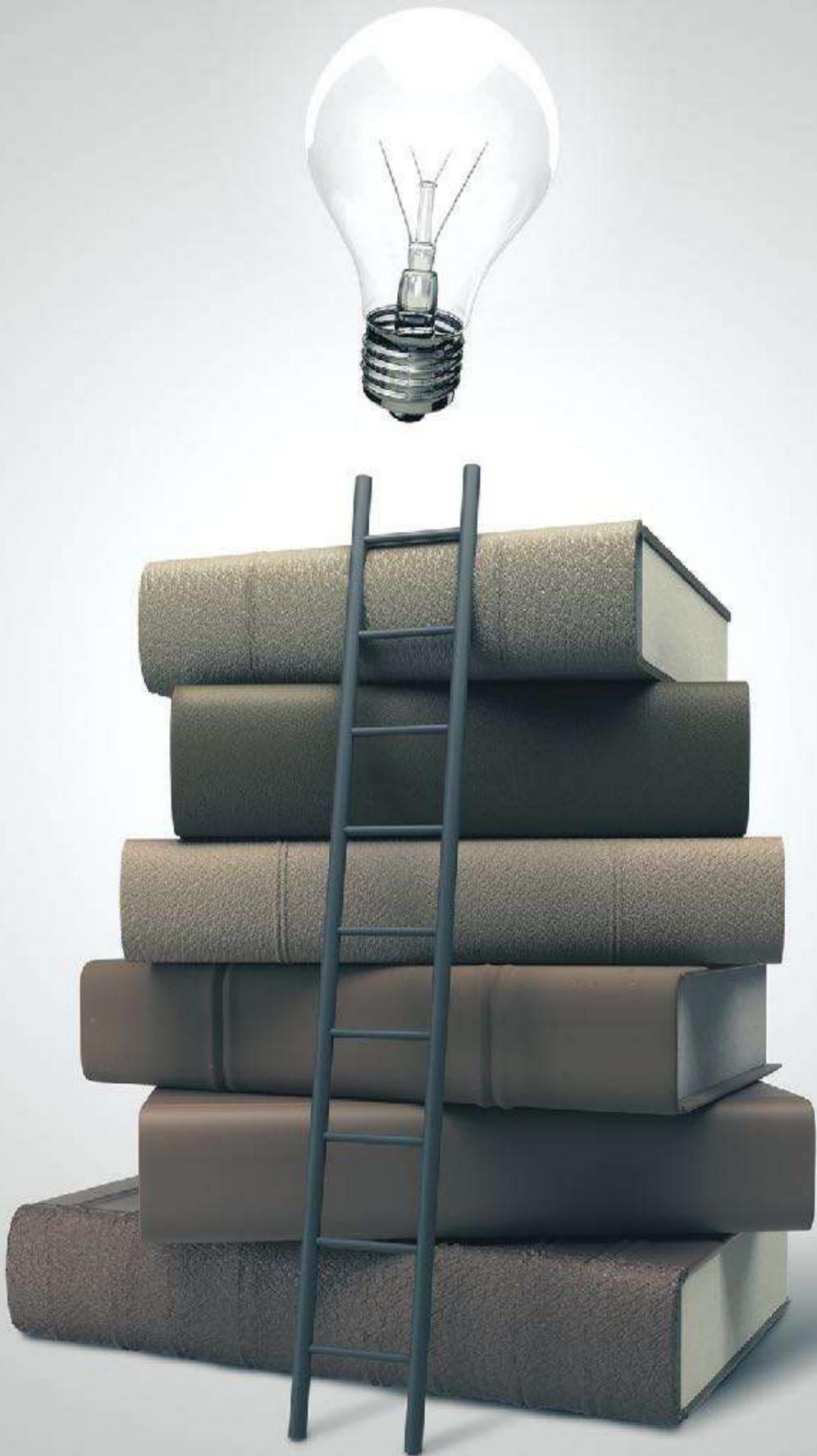


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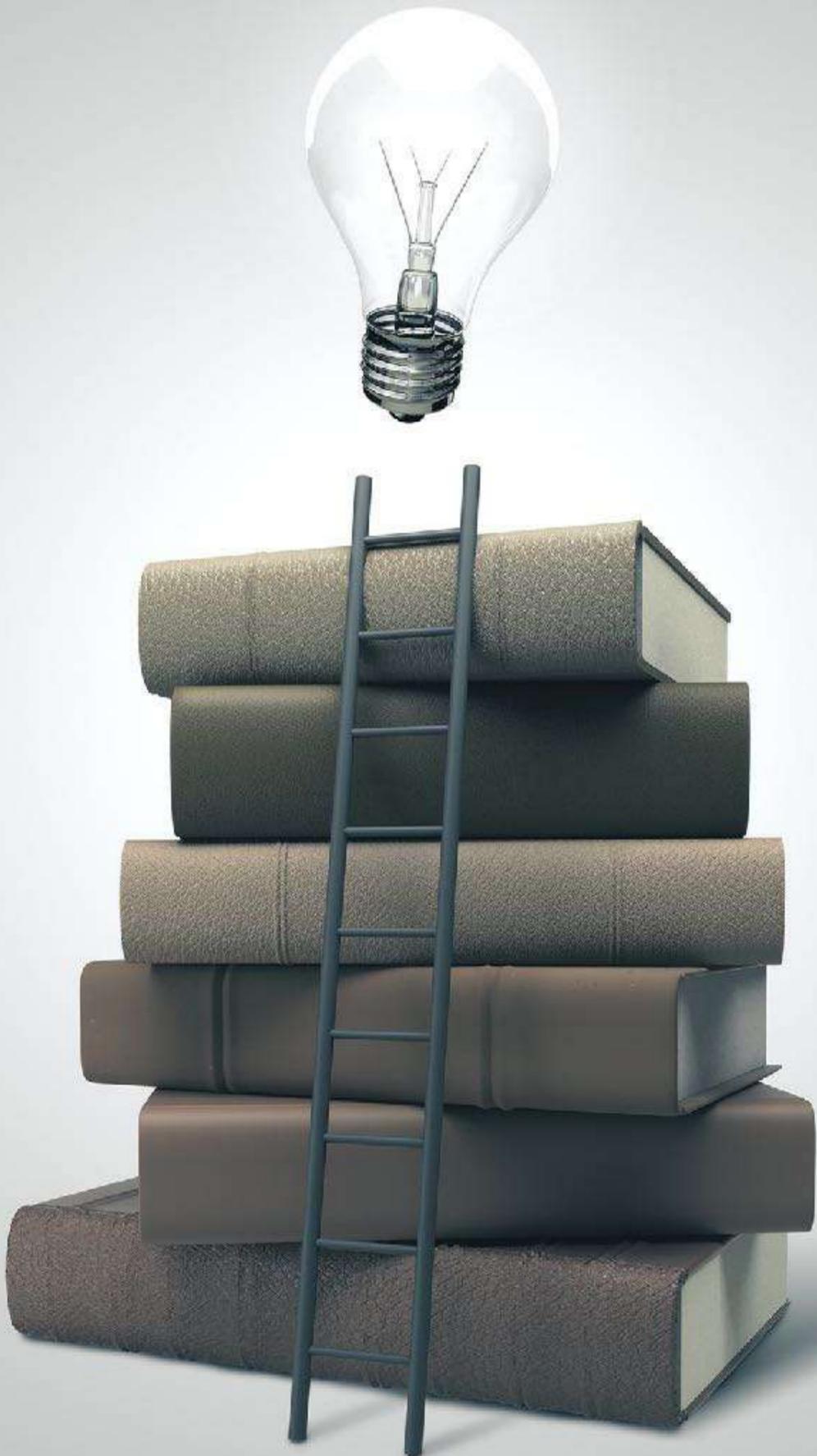
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- "My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not" (1 John 2:1a)



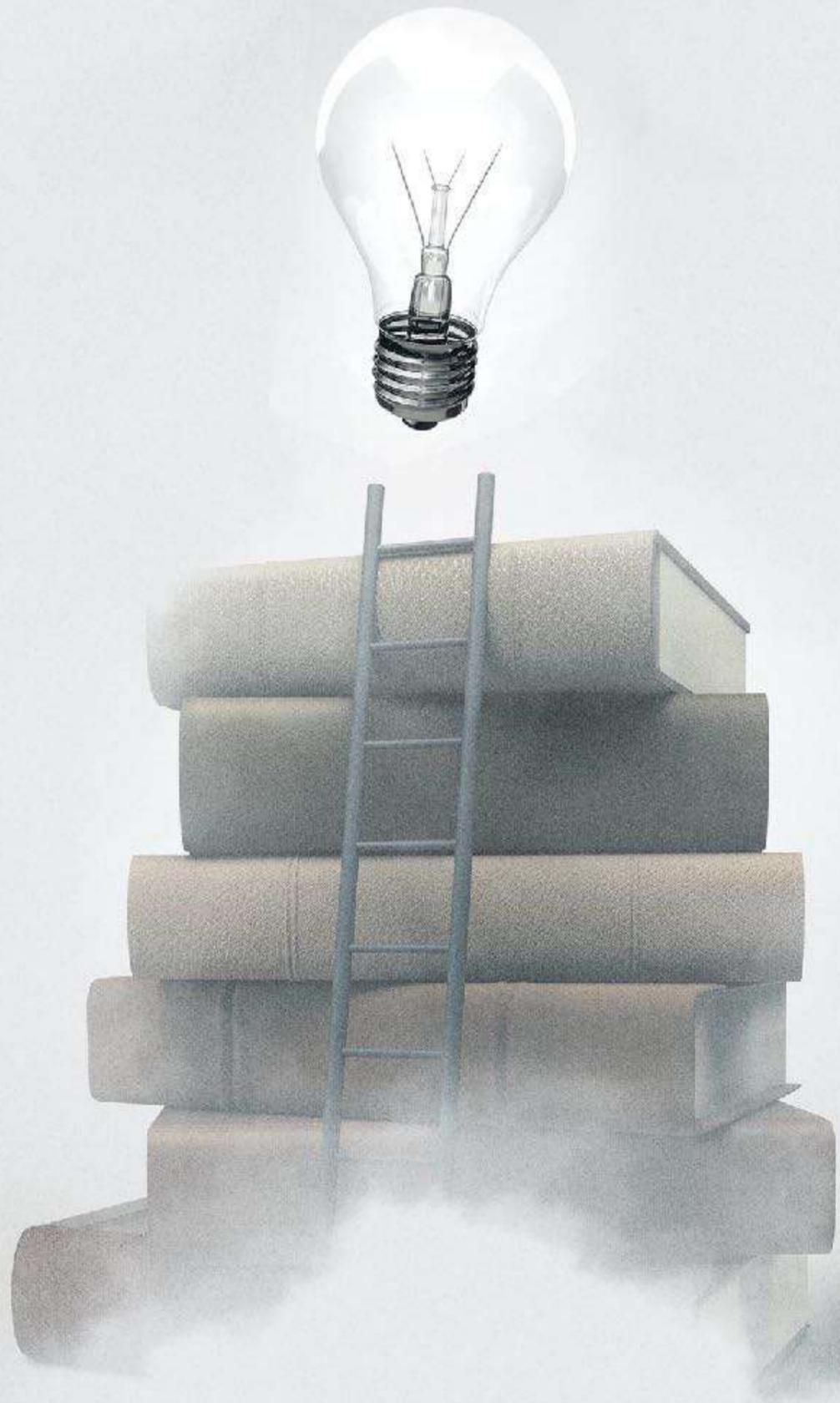
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- Far from thinking that freeness of God's grace would ever lead a redeemed person into sin, John says the principle of free forgiveness is the very doctrine that should keep us from sin.



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