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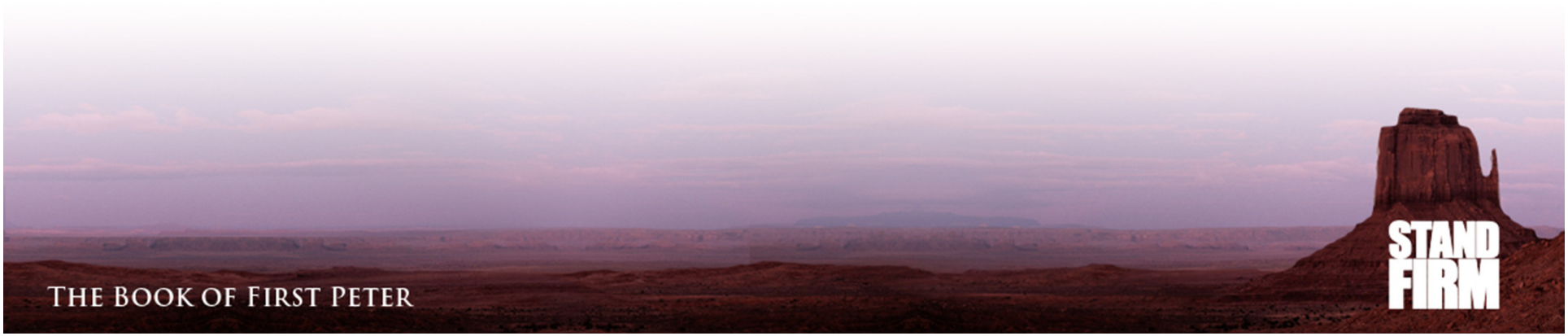

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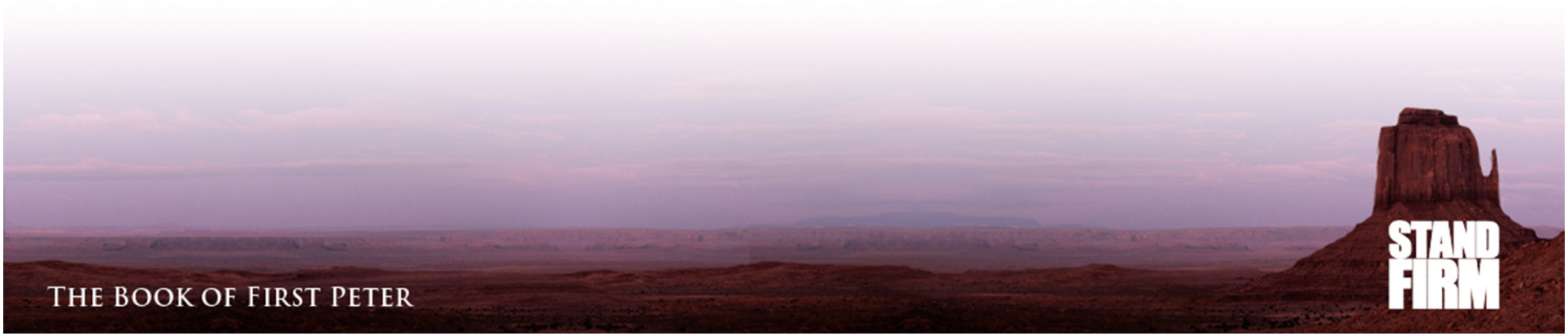

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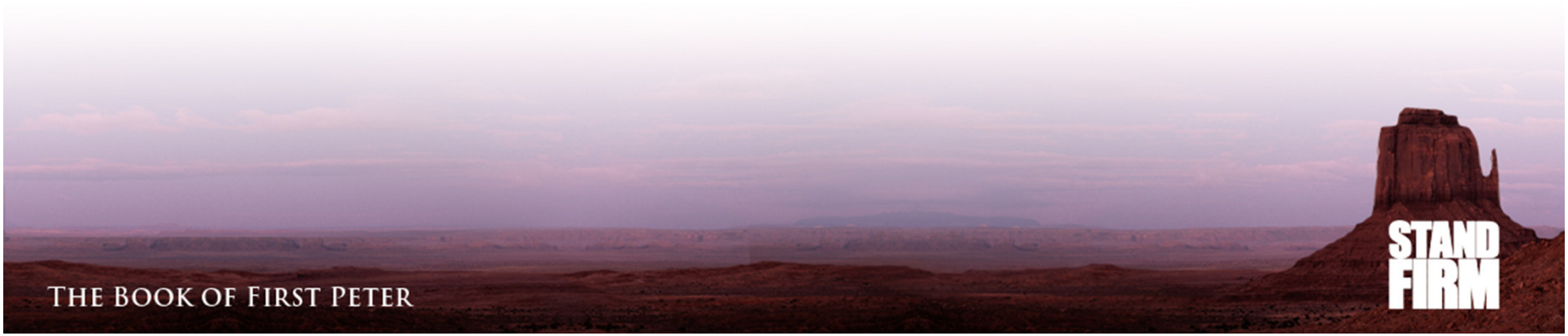

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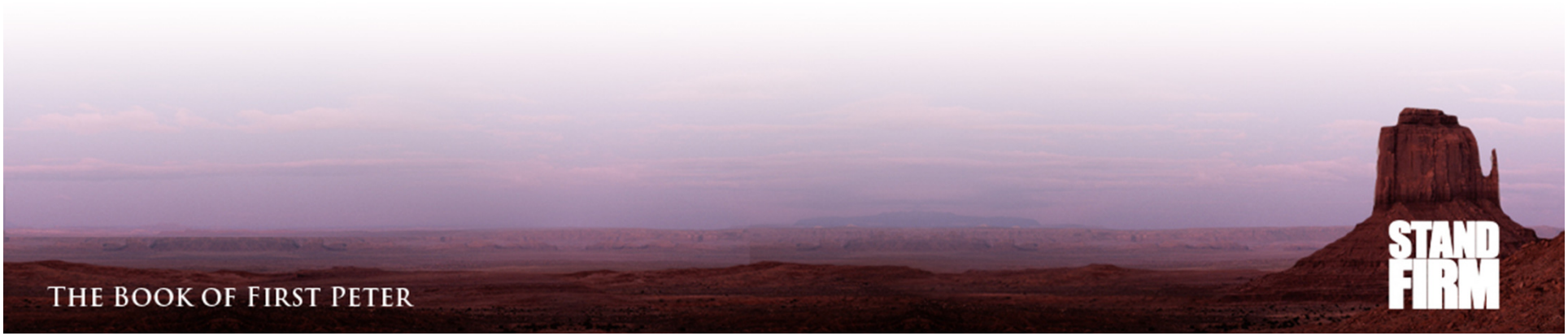


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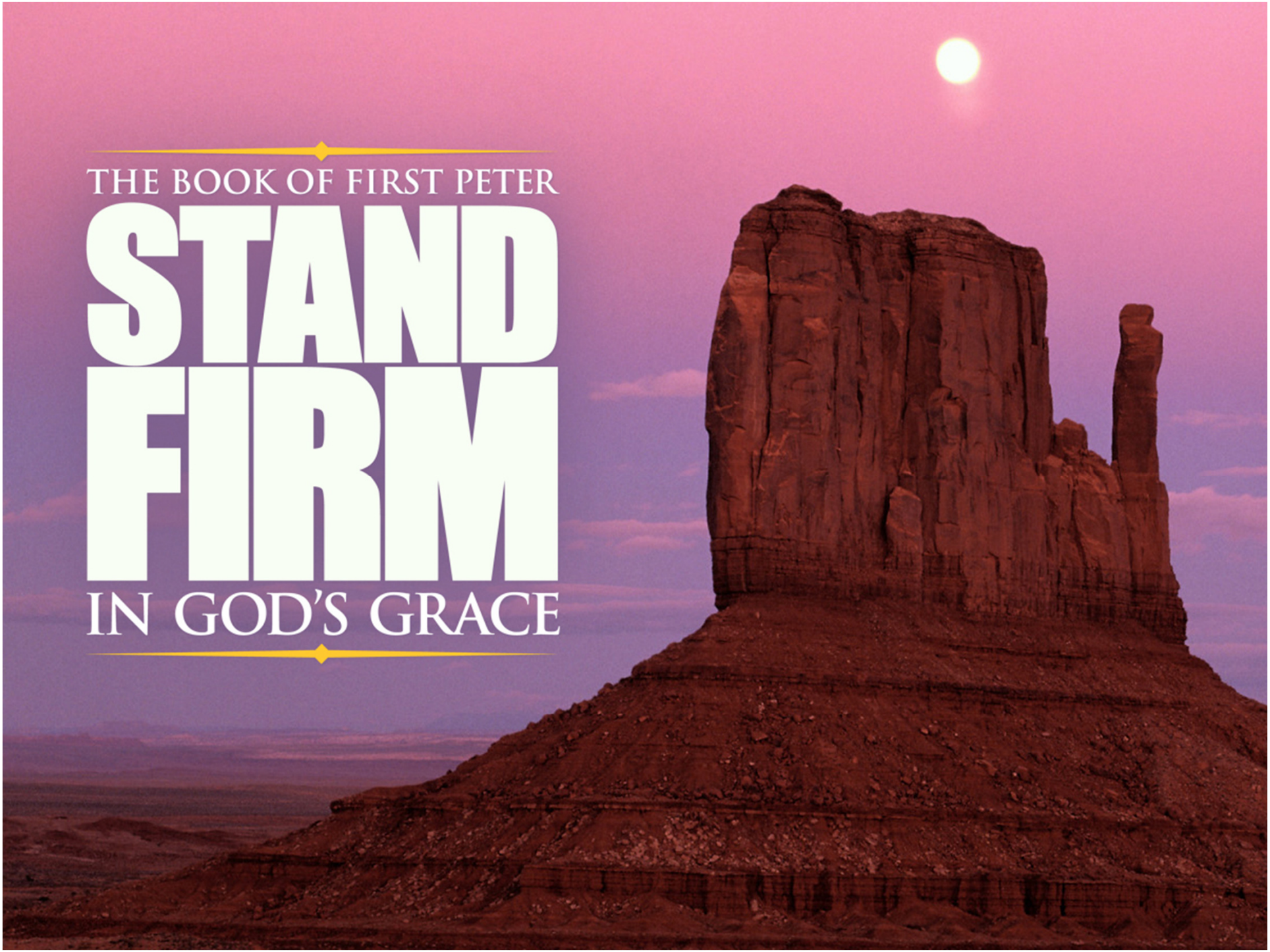
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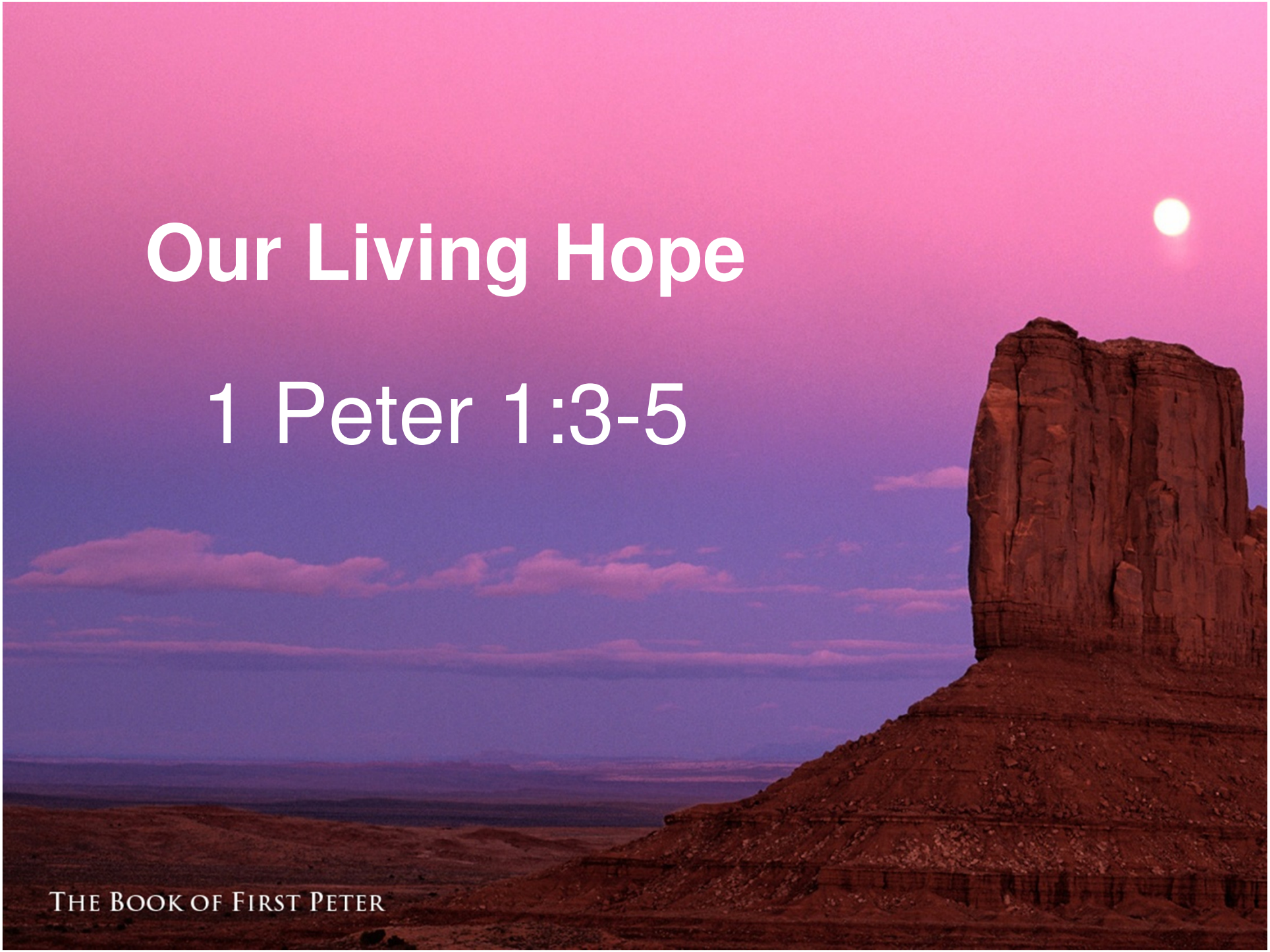
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- God has shown us His great mercy
- God has raised Jesus Christ from the dead
- God has given us a secure future



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3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ, who according to His great
mercy has caused us to be born again to a
living hope through the resurrection of Jesus
Christ from the dead, 4 to *obtain* an
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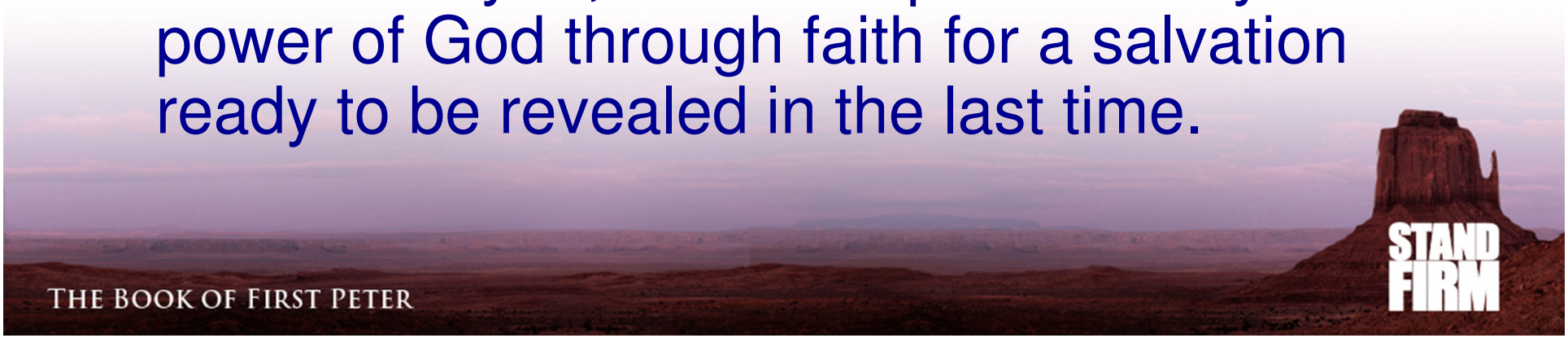

We are chosen by God



A living hope



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- Acts 2:32 This Jesus God raised up again, to which we are all witnesses.
- Acts 3:15 but put to death the Prince of life, *the one* whom God raised from the dead, *a fact* to which we are witnesses.
- Acts 10:40-41. God raised Him up on the third day and granted that He become visible, but to witnesses who were chosen beforehand by God, *that is*, to us who ate and drank with Him after He arose from the dead.



Hebrews 12:1-3

Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, 2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. 3 For consider Him who has endured such hostility by sinners against Himself, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.



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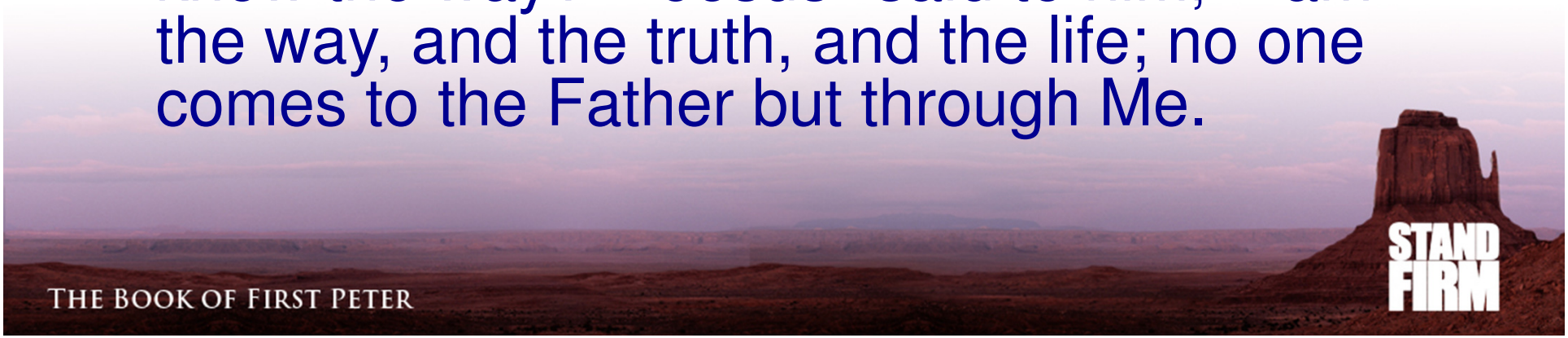
John 14:1-6

"Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. 3 If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, *there* you may be also. 4 And you know the way where I am going." 5 Thomas *said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, how do we know the way?" 6 Jesus *said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.



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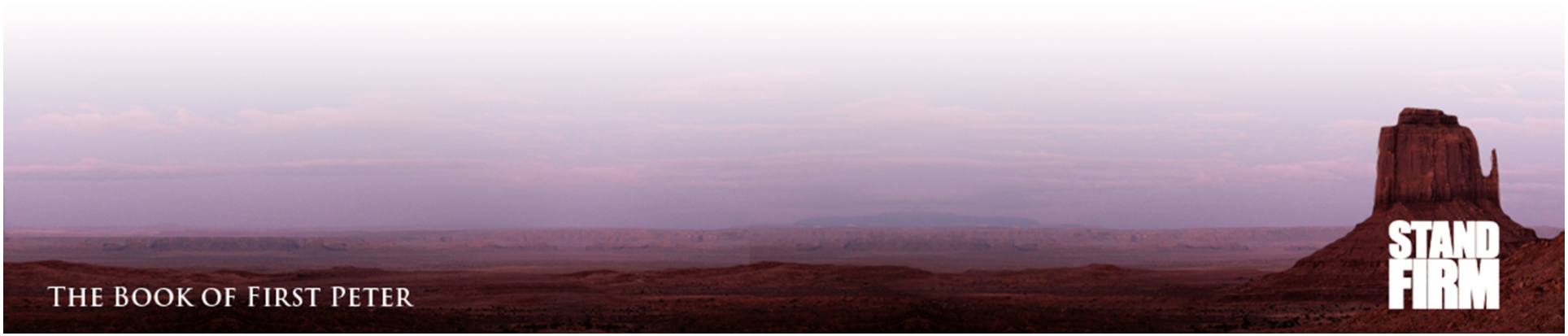

2 Peter 3:10-13

10 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in
which the heavens will pass away with a roar and
the elements will be destroyed with intense heat,
and the earth and its works will be burned
up.11 Since all these things are to be destroyed in
this way, what sort of people ought you to be in
holy conduct and godliness, 12 looking for and
hastening the coming of the day of God, because
of which the heavens will be destroyed by burning,
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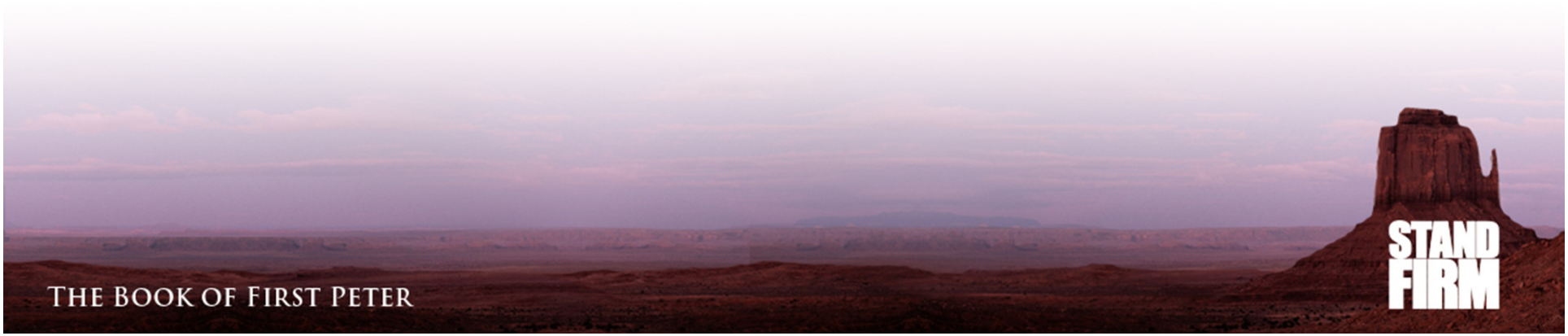

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