




Let's Take a Selfie!




Genesis 1: 26 - 28 (NKJV)

Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.




²⁷ So God created man in
His *own* image; in the image of God,
He created him; male and female He
created them.



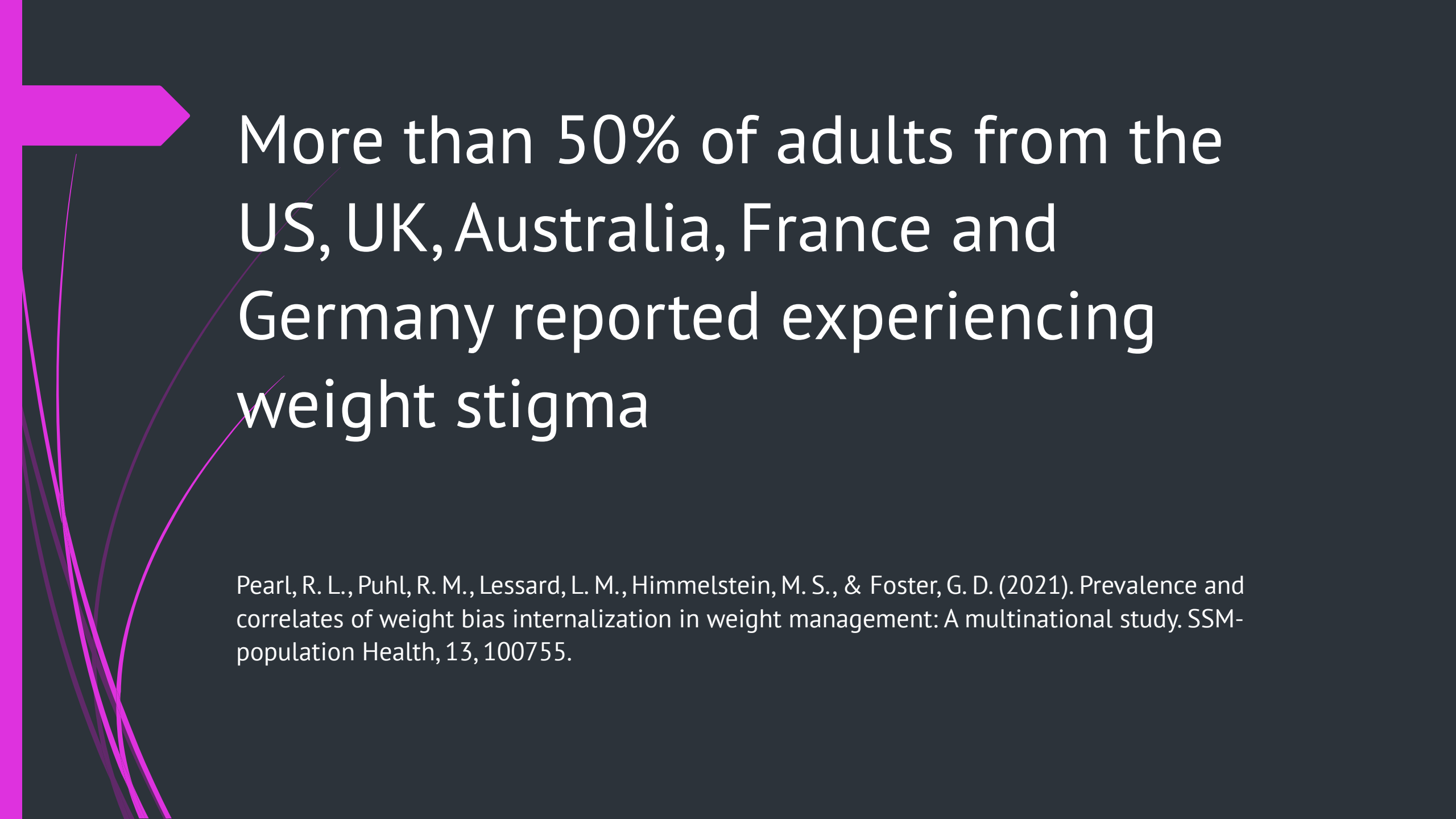
²⁸ Then God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

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About half (51%) of Americans say they feel pressured to have a certain body type. Women (60%) are 18 % more likely than men (40%) to say they feel completely or somewhat pressured to have a particular body type.



More than 50% of adults from the US, UK, Australia, France and Germany reported experiencing weight stigma

Pearl, R. L., Puhl, R. M., Lessard, L. M., Himmelstein, M. S., & Foster, G. D. (2021). Prevalence and correlates of weight bias internalization in weight management: A multinational study. *SSM-population Health*, 13, 100755.

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WHAT ARE SOME KEY
OBSERVATIONS ABOUT THE TEXT?



1. MALE & FEMALE WERE
MADE IN THE IMAGE OF
GOD



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IMAGE OF GOD

Image is the selem and it carries the thought of a carving or graven figure



Exodus 20:4 (NKJV)

⁴“You shall not make for yourself a carved image — any likeness *of anything* that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the water under the earth;



WHY?

GOD HAS ALREADY MADE
IMAGES OF HIMSELF



WHAT DOES THE IMAGE OF
GOD MEANS?



WHAT DOES THE IMAGE OF GOD MEANS?

- RATIONAL
- MORAL
- SPIRITUAL



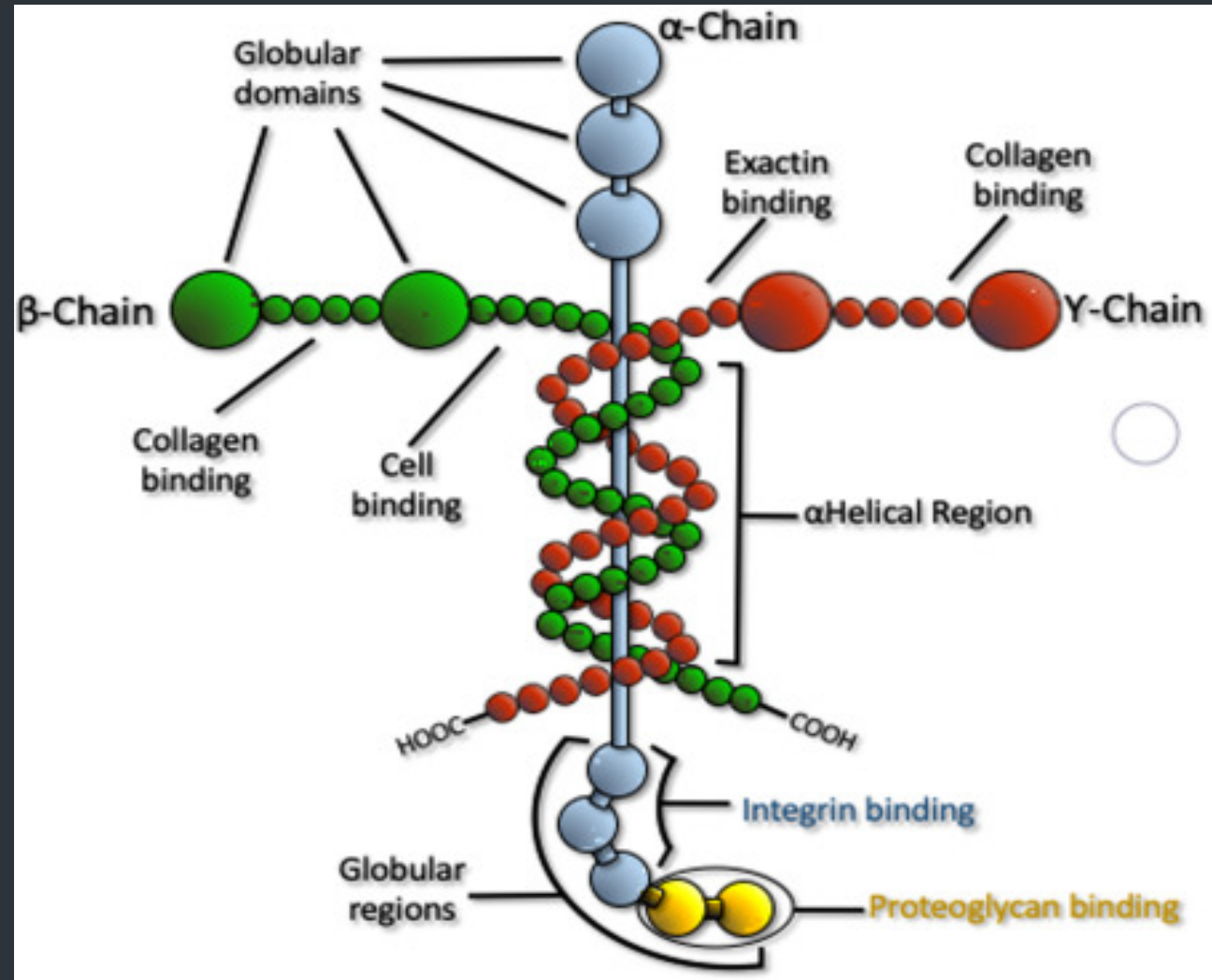
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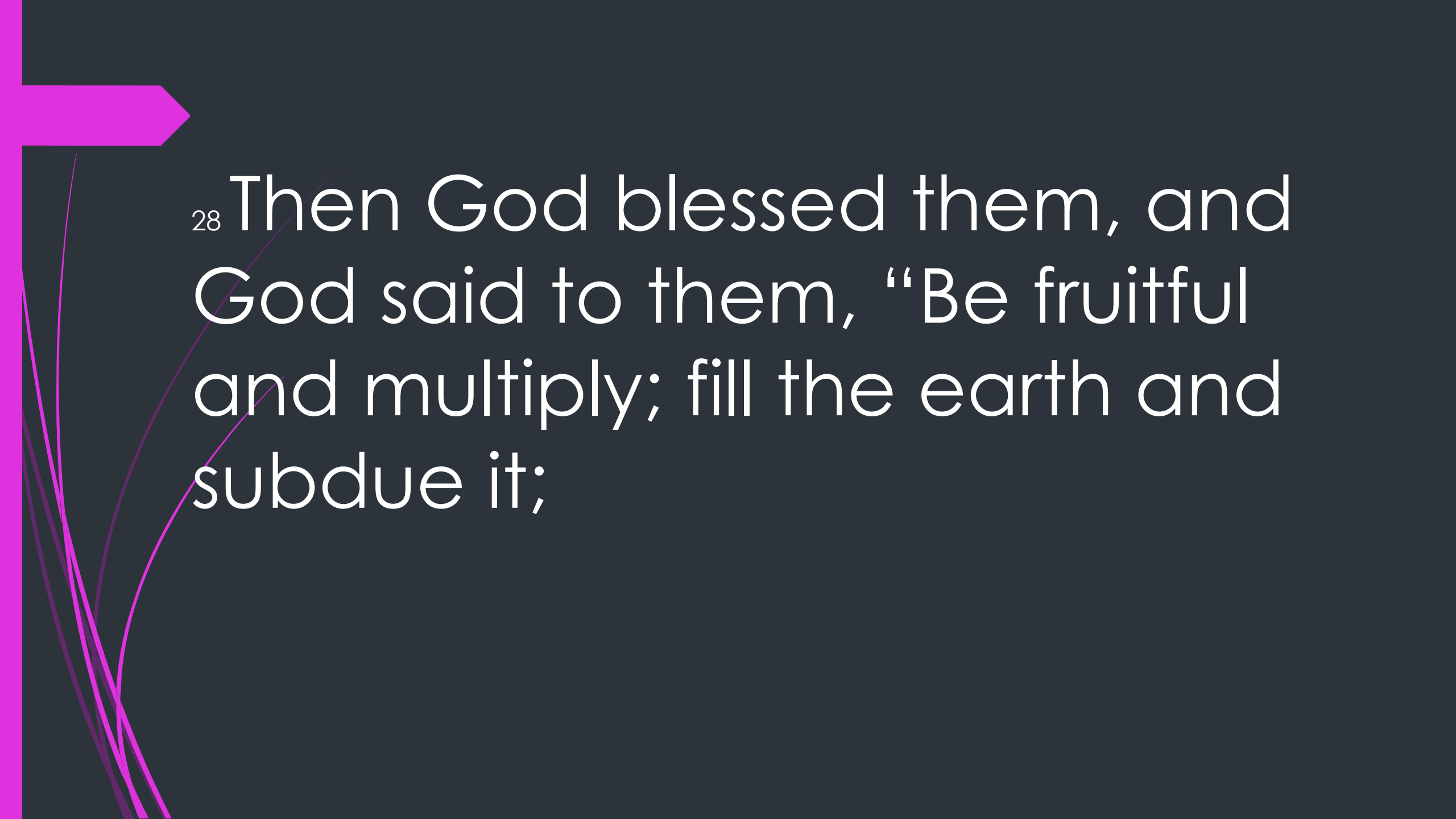


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2. FILL THE EARTH WITH GOD'S IMAGE



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