

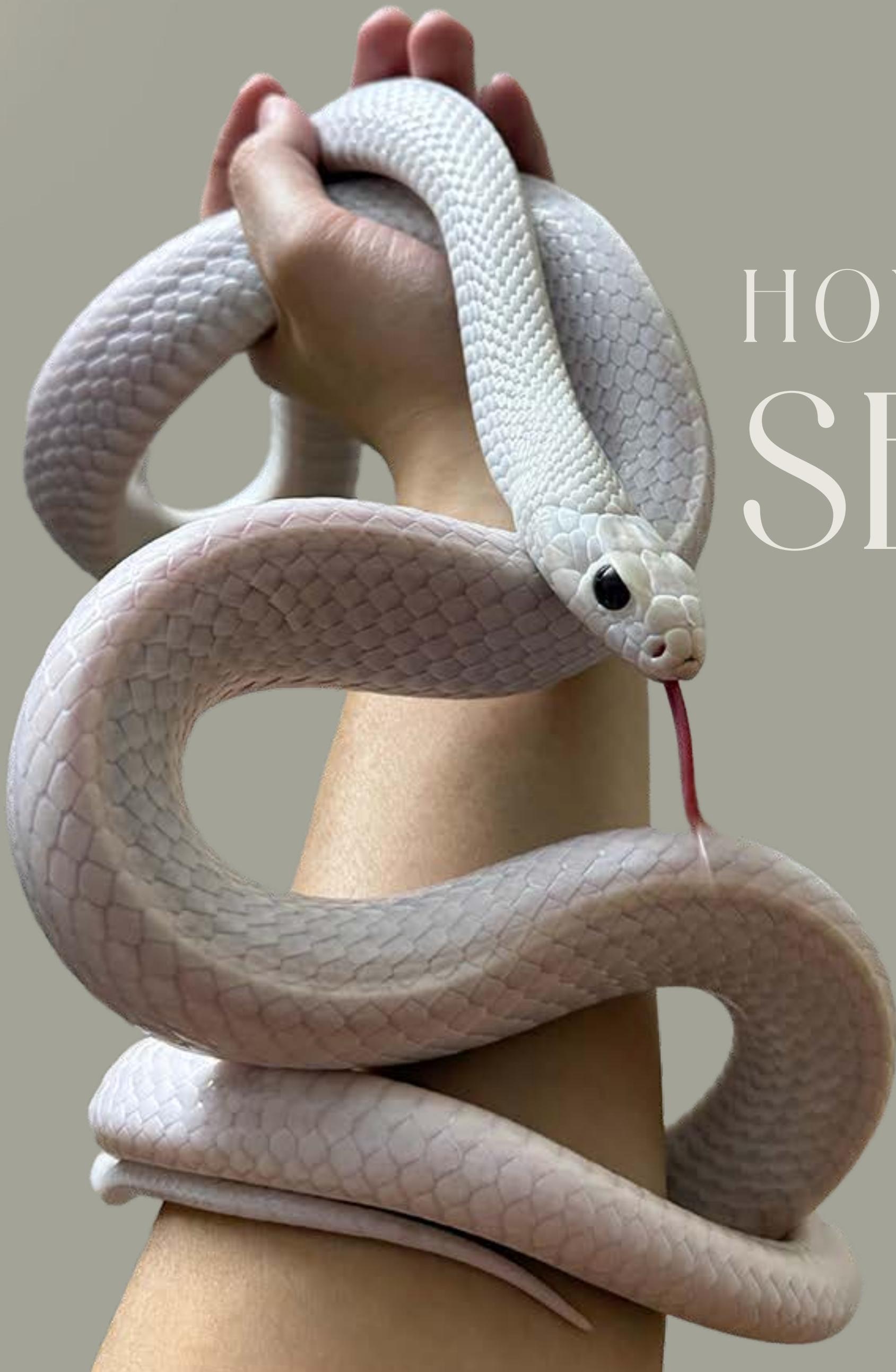
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Luke 10:19

I have given you **authority to trample on snakes and scorpions** and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.



HOW DO WE TAKE UP
SERPENTS?



Mark 16:17-18

In My name they
will take up serpents...

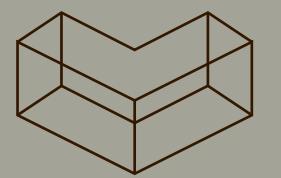


What does it mean
‘TO TAKE UP’ SERPENTS?



VIPERS & SNAKES

by nature, coil and attach
themselves to things.



Moses lifting the Serpent
in the wilderness.





LESSONS FROM THIS STORY-

- 1 The Christian life is not a bed of roses.
- 2 We must be careful not to be offended with God when things get difficult.



We thank God for what is given, and we will not allow what's not given to spoil what has been.

– Elizabeth Elliot

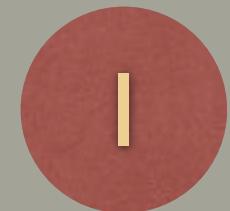


2 Kings 18:4-5

He removed the high places and broke the sacred pillars, cut down the wooden image and broke in pieces the bronze serpent that Moses had made; for until those days the children of Israel burned incense to it, and called it Nehushtan. ⁵ He trusted in the Lord God of Israel, so that after him was none like him among all the kings of Judah, nor who were before him.

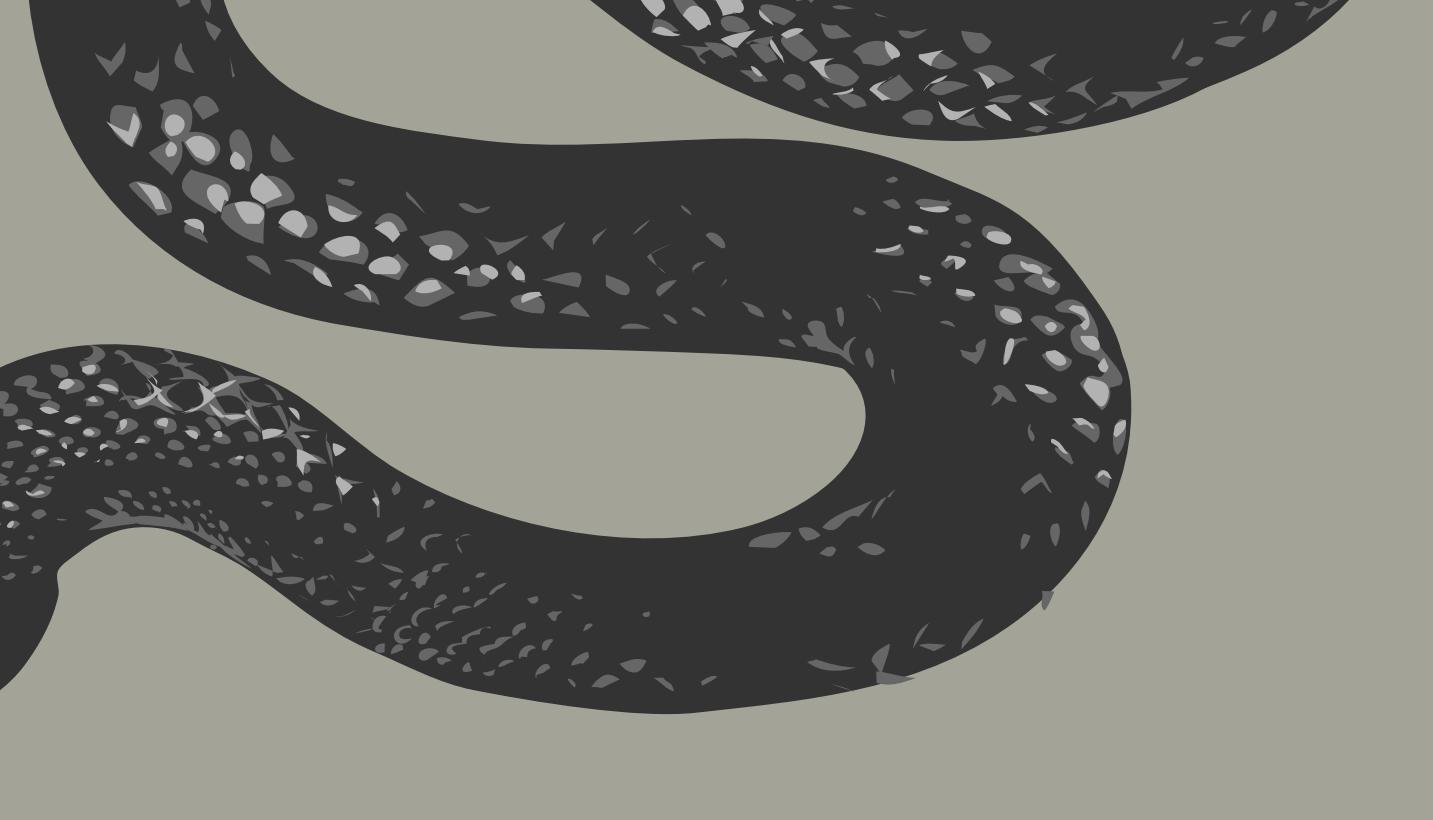


WHAT MUST WE DO TO EXPOSE AND DEAL WITH SNAKES?



SNAKES HATE FIRE





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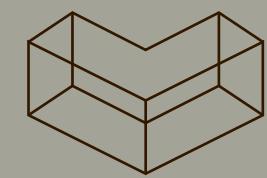
SNAKES HATE CERTAIN SMELLS





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SNAKES LEAVE WHEN THERE'S NO MORE FOOD SOURCE



CORNERSTONE



Proverbs 18:21

Death and life are in the power of the tongue,
and those who love it will eat its fruit.



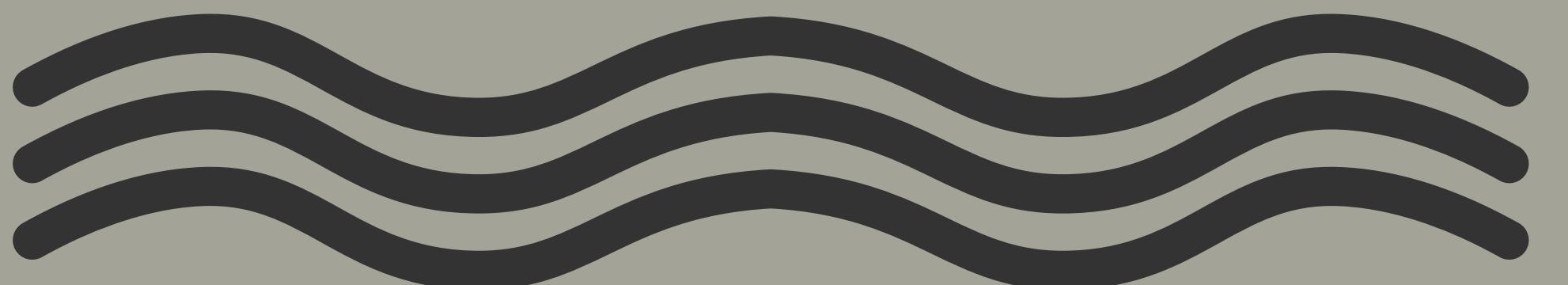
Psalm 58:4

Their poison is like the poison of a serpent;
they are like the deaf cobra that stops its ear.



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SNAKES OFTEN MANIFEST IN A FLOOD





What good does it do to speak in tongues on Sunday if you've been using your tongue during the week to curse and gossip?

– Leonard Ravenhill



Proverbs 26:20

Where there is no wood, the fire goes out;
and where there is no talebearer, strife ceases.

The 2nd part of Proverbs 26:20 says,

**REMOVE THE TALEBEARER AND
STRIFE WILL CEASE.**



Matthew 12:33-34

Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or else make the tree bad and its fruit bad; for a tree is known by its fruit. ³⁴ Brood of vipers! How can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.



Matthew 12:35

A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things.