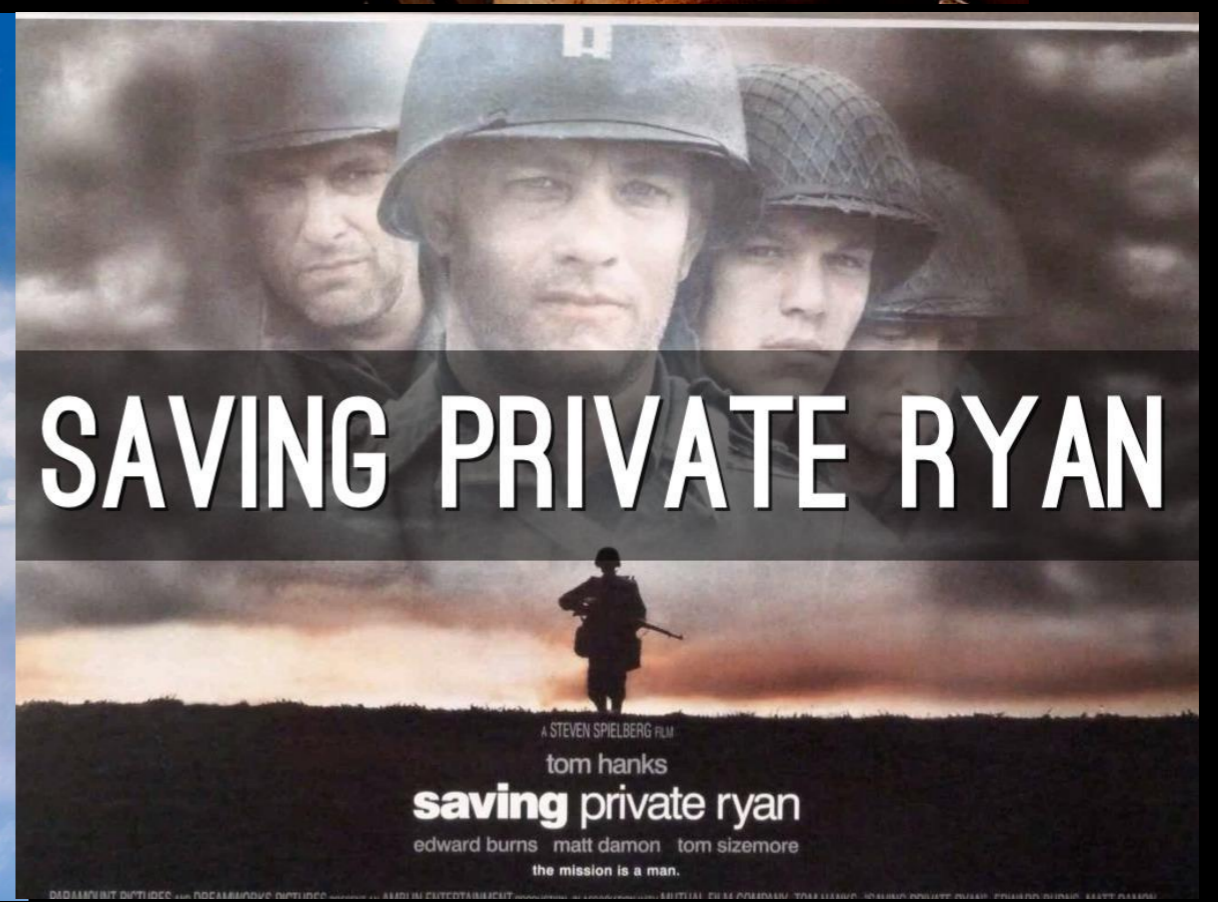
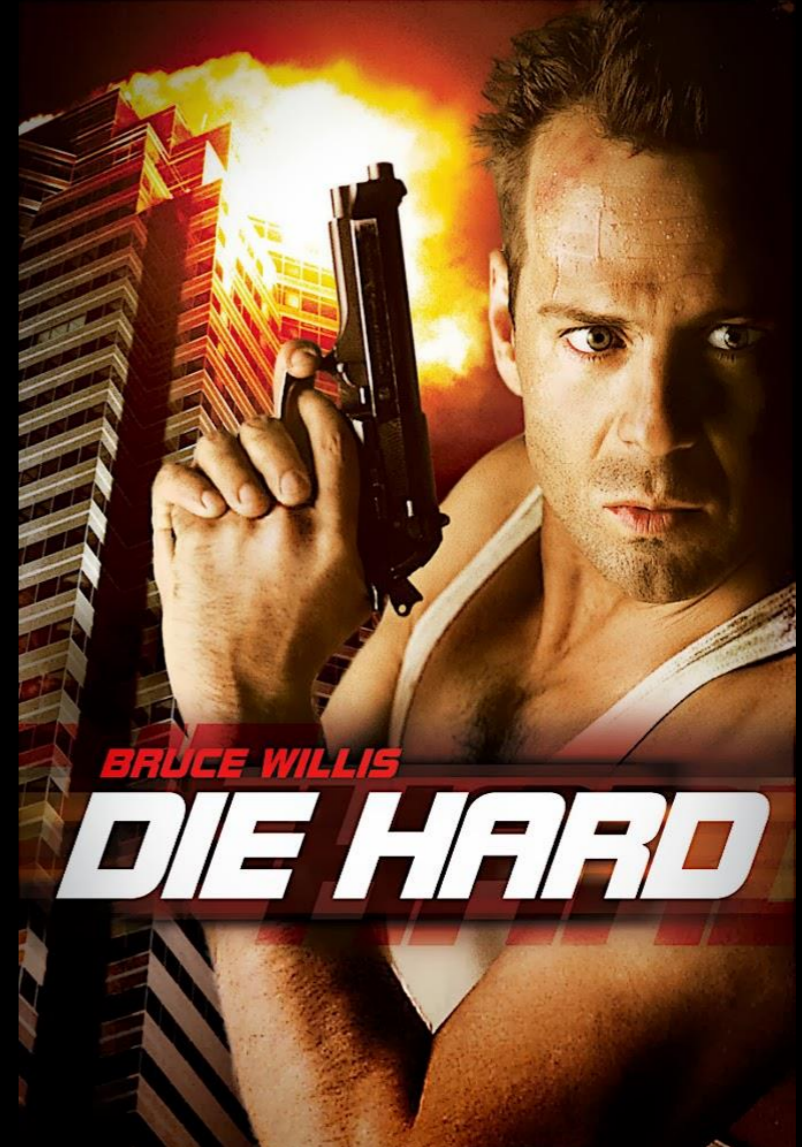
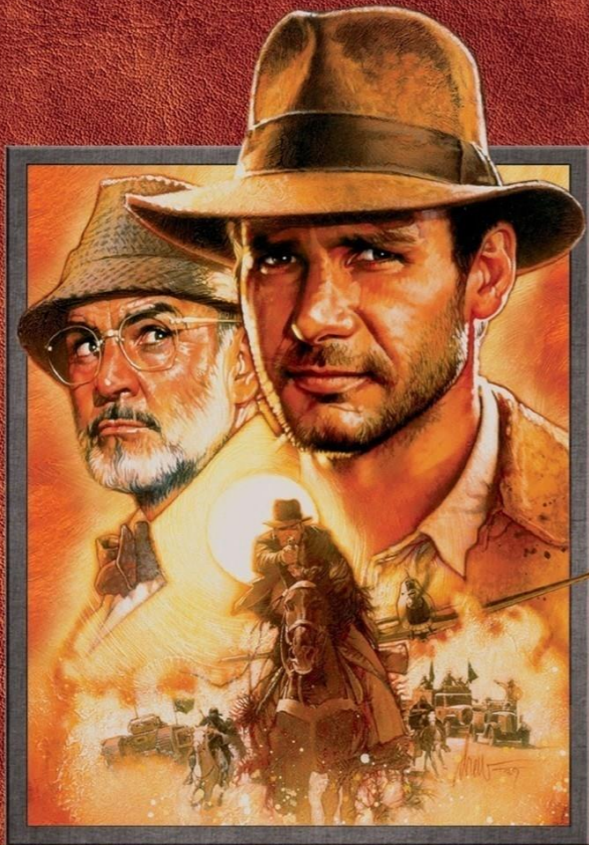


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**Jesus relentlessly
pursues us**

The background of the entire image is a photograph of a lush green field, possibly corn or wheat, with tall stalks. The sky above the field is a soft gradient of pink, orange, and light blue, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The text is overlaid on the upper portion of the image.

Short Stories - Epic Truths

Summer 2018

Luke 15:1-10

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear Him. ² And the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them."³ Then Jesus told them this parable: ⁴ "Suppose one of you, has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Does he not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the lost sheep, until he finds it? ⁵ And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders ⁶and goes home. Then he calls his friends and his neighbors together and says to them, 'Rejoice with me, I have found my lost sheep.' ⁷ I tell you, that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent."

⁸ “Or suppose a woman, has ten silver coins, and loses one. Does she not light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹ And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, I have found my lost coin.’ ¹⁰ In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

1. Jesus loves us even
though we are messy.



**“For the Son of Man came to seek
and to save what was lost.” Luke
19:10**

**Those who are well have no need
of a physician, but those who are
sick. Luke 5:31**

**Jesus neither condemned sin,
left people in their sin, nor
communicated any disdain for
sinners. He mirrored the image
of his Father and invited them to
receive God's forgiveness and
participate in God's kingdom. -**

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2. Jesus enters our world

**in your relationships with one another,
have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:
⁶ who, being in very nature God, did not
consider equality with God something to
be used to his own advantage; ⁷ rather,
he made himself nothing by taking the
very nature of a servant, being made in
human likeness. ⁸ And being found in
appearance as a man, he humbled
himself by becoming obedient to death –
even death on a cross! **Phillippians 2:5-8****

"When I use the phrase, "the reckless love of God", I'm not saying that God Himself is reckless. I am, however, saying that the way He loves, is in many regards, quite so. What I mean is this: **He is utterly unconcerned with the consequences of His actions with regards to His own safety, comfort, and well-being.** His love isn't crafty or slick. It's not cunning or shrewd. In fact, all things considered, it's quite childlike, and might I even suggest, sometimes downright ridiculous. His love bankrupted heaven for you. **His love doesn't consider Himself first. His love isn't selfish or self-serving.** He doesn't wonder what He'll gain or lose by putting Himself out there. He simply gives Himself away on the off-chance that one of us might look back at Him and offer ourselves in return."

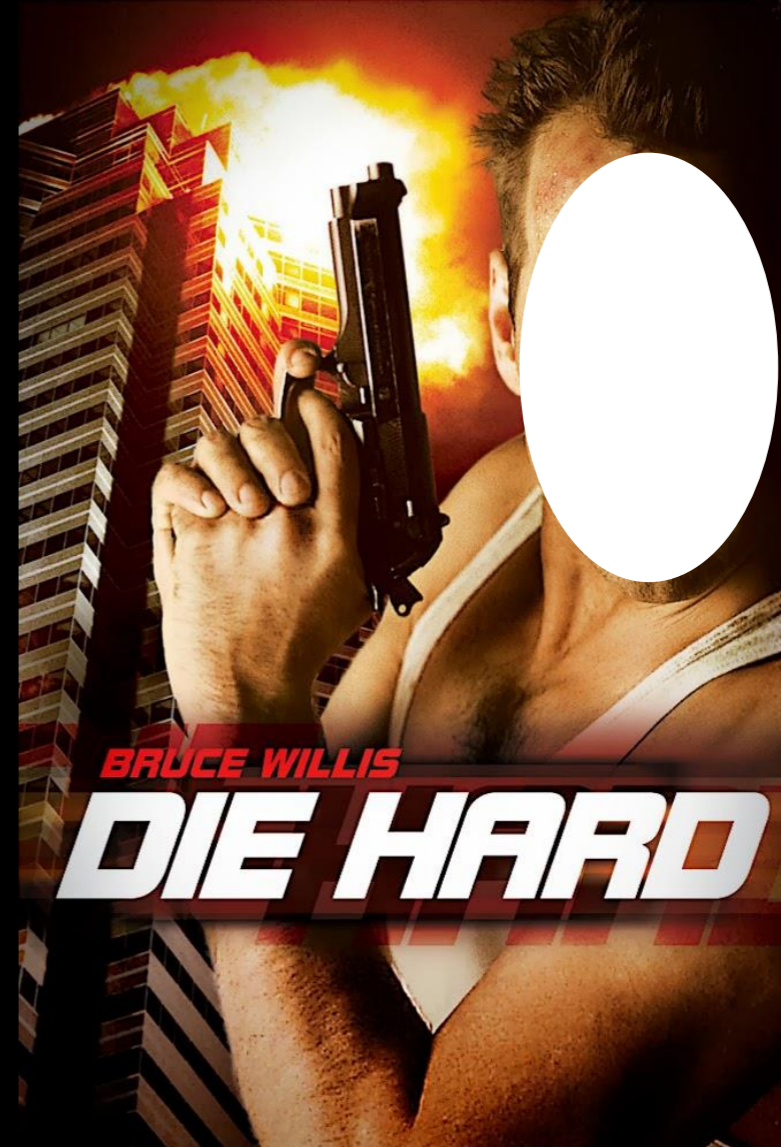
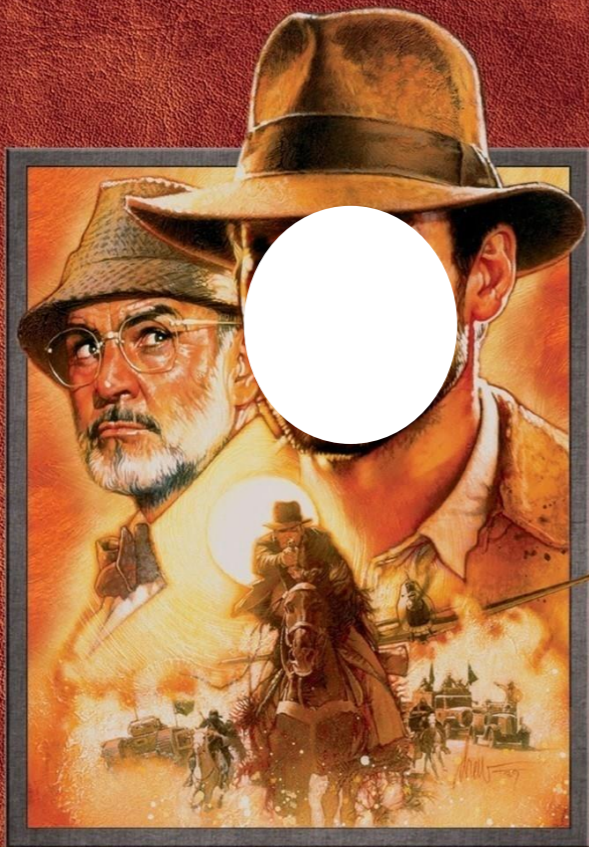
-Cory Asbury writer of Reckless Love

3. Jesus celebrates
heart change



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Whats your next step?

-Where are you in your relationship with God?

-Do you need a reset?

-Are you ready to go?