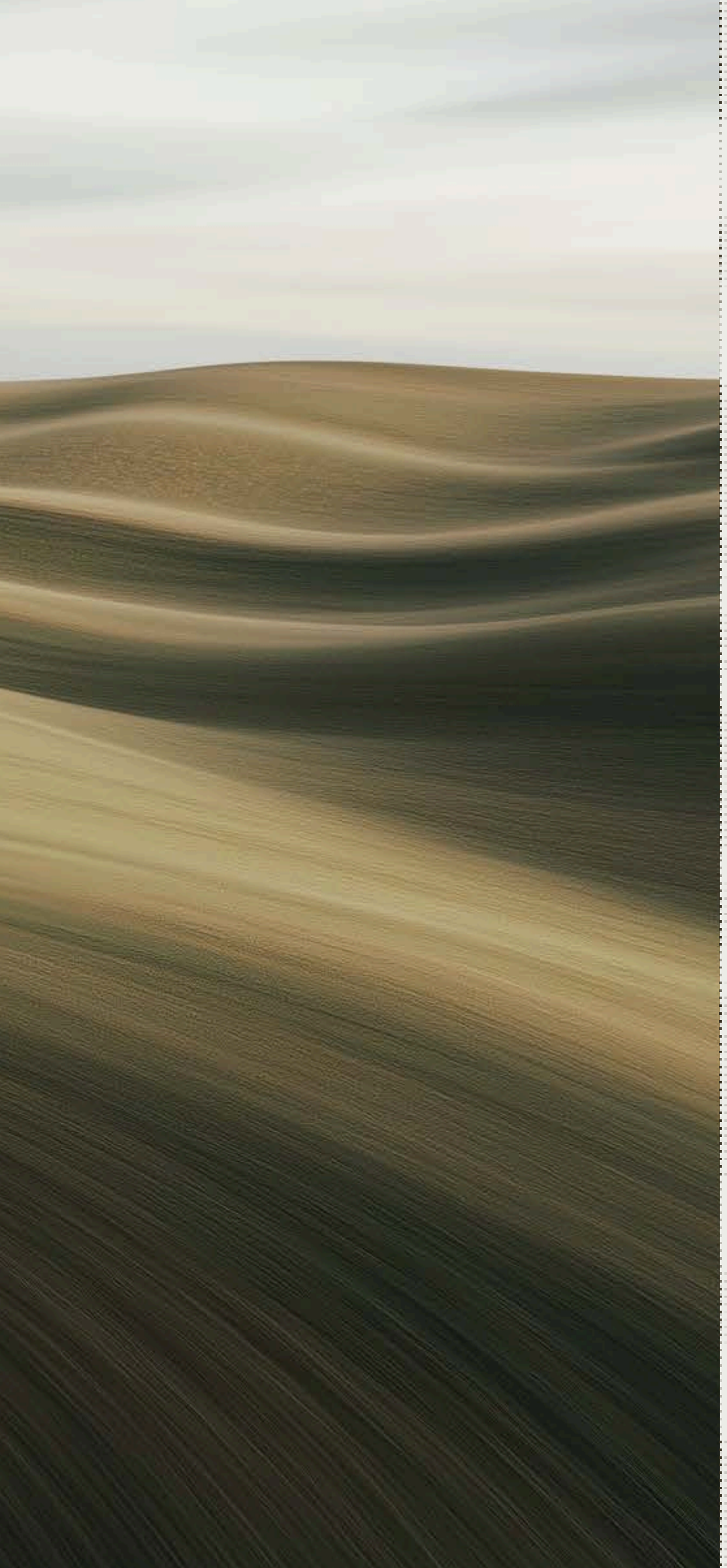


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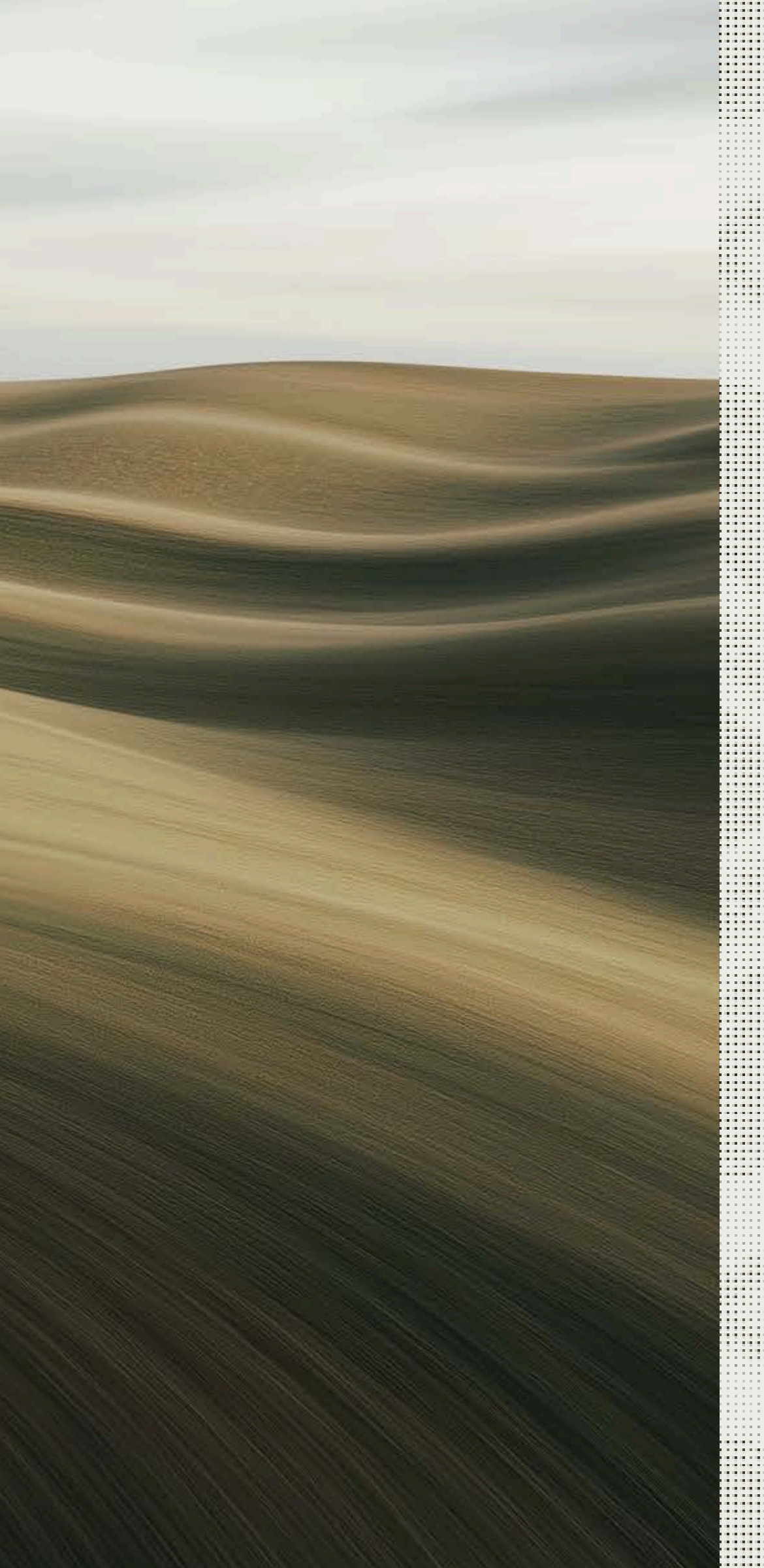


Many have undertaken to draw up an account of the things that have been fulfilled among us,² just as they were handed down to us by those who from the first were eyewitnesses and servants of the word.³ With this in mind, since I myself have carefully investigated everything from the beginning, I too decided to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus,⁴ so that you may know the certainty of the things you have been taught.

LUKE 1:1-4 NIV

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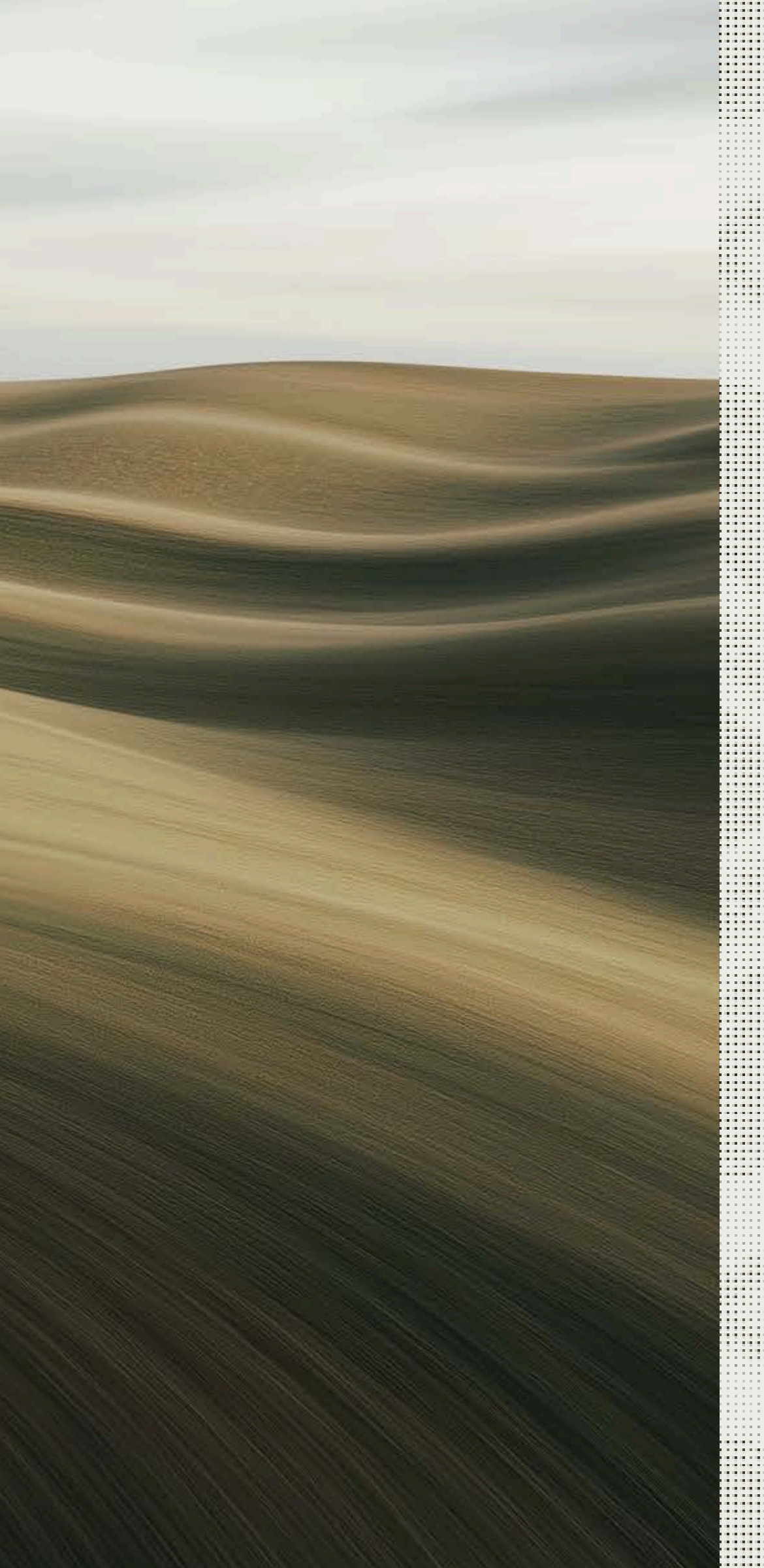


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LUKE 24:50-51 NIV

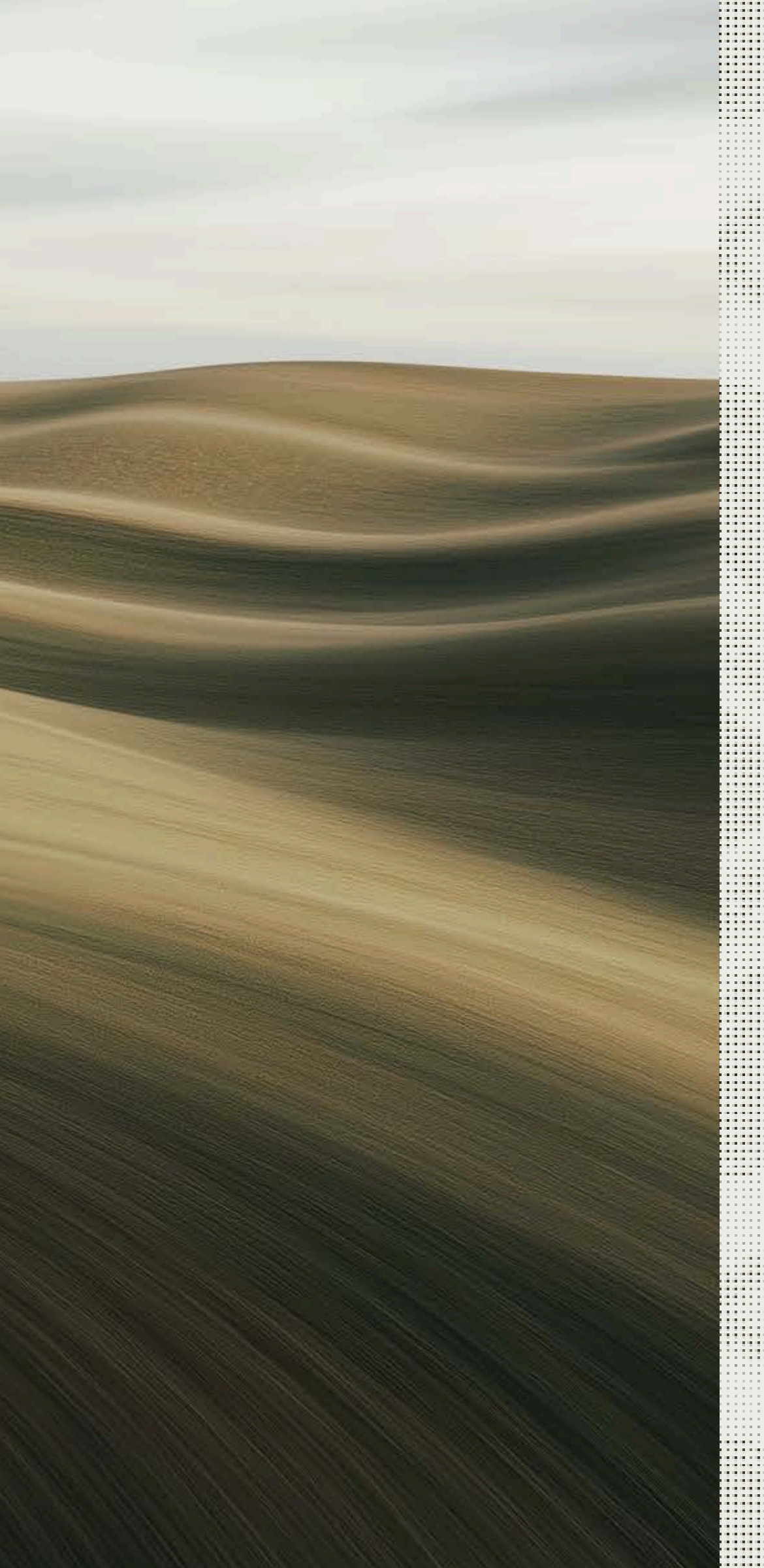
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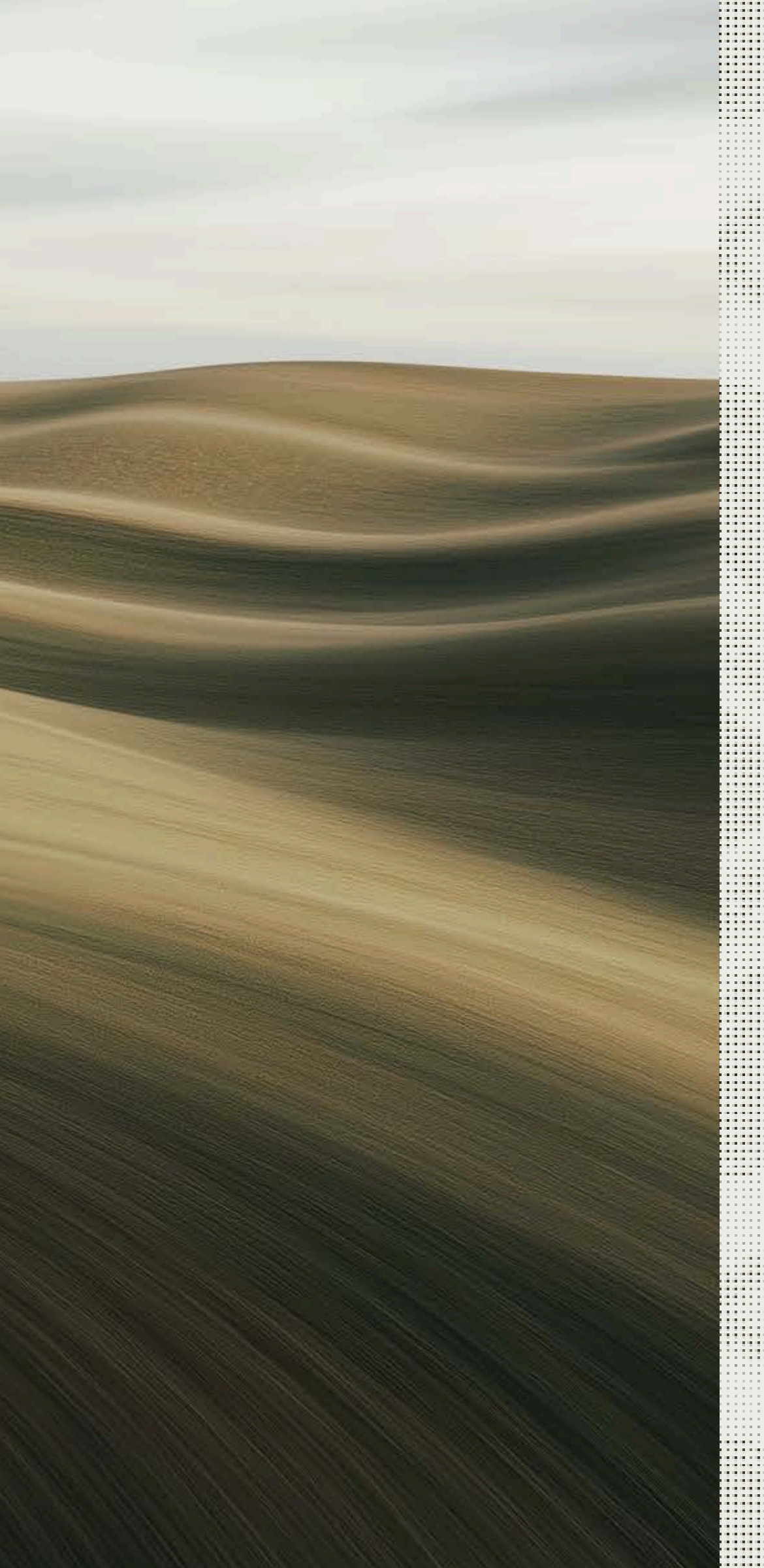
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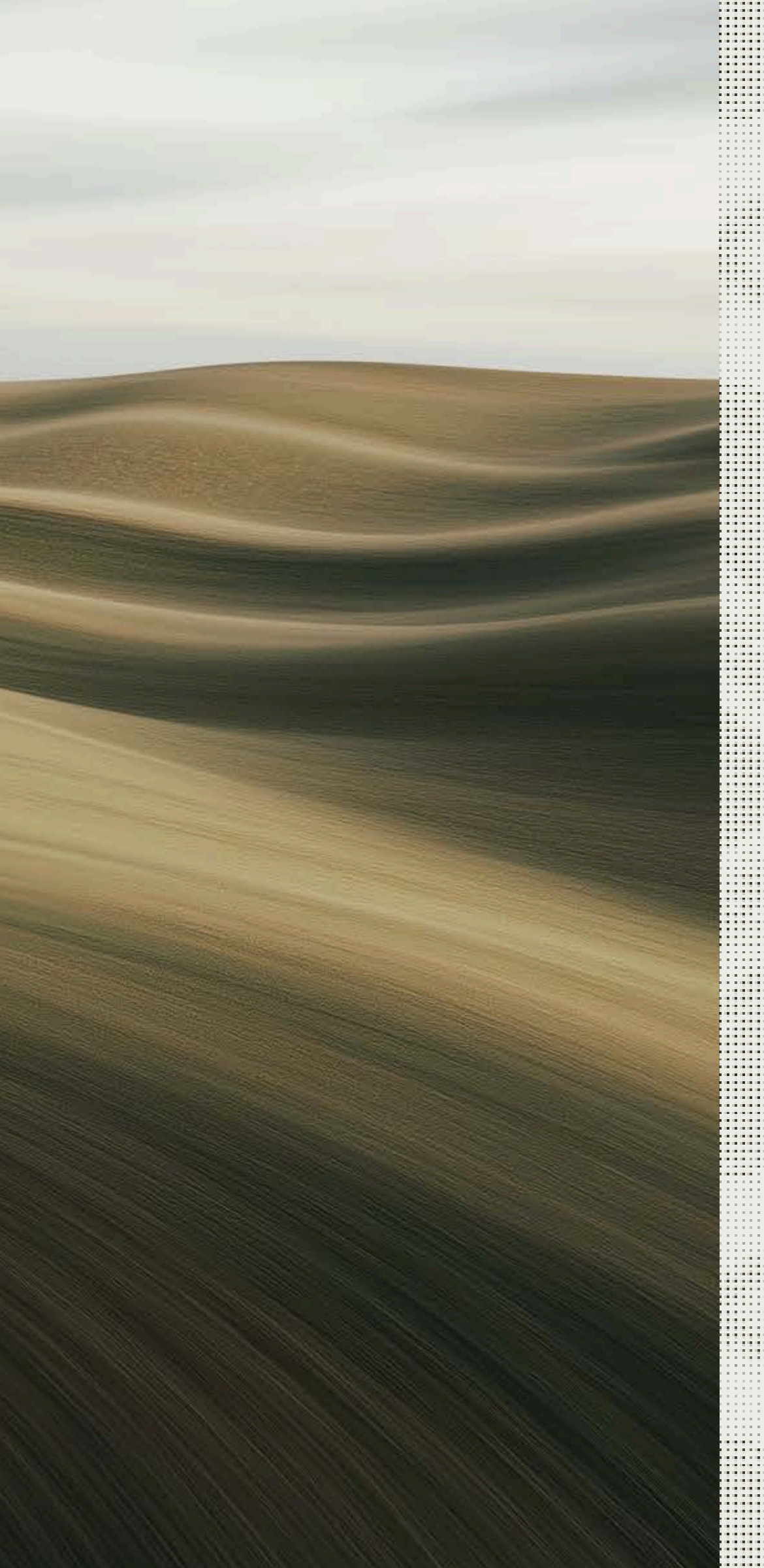
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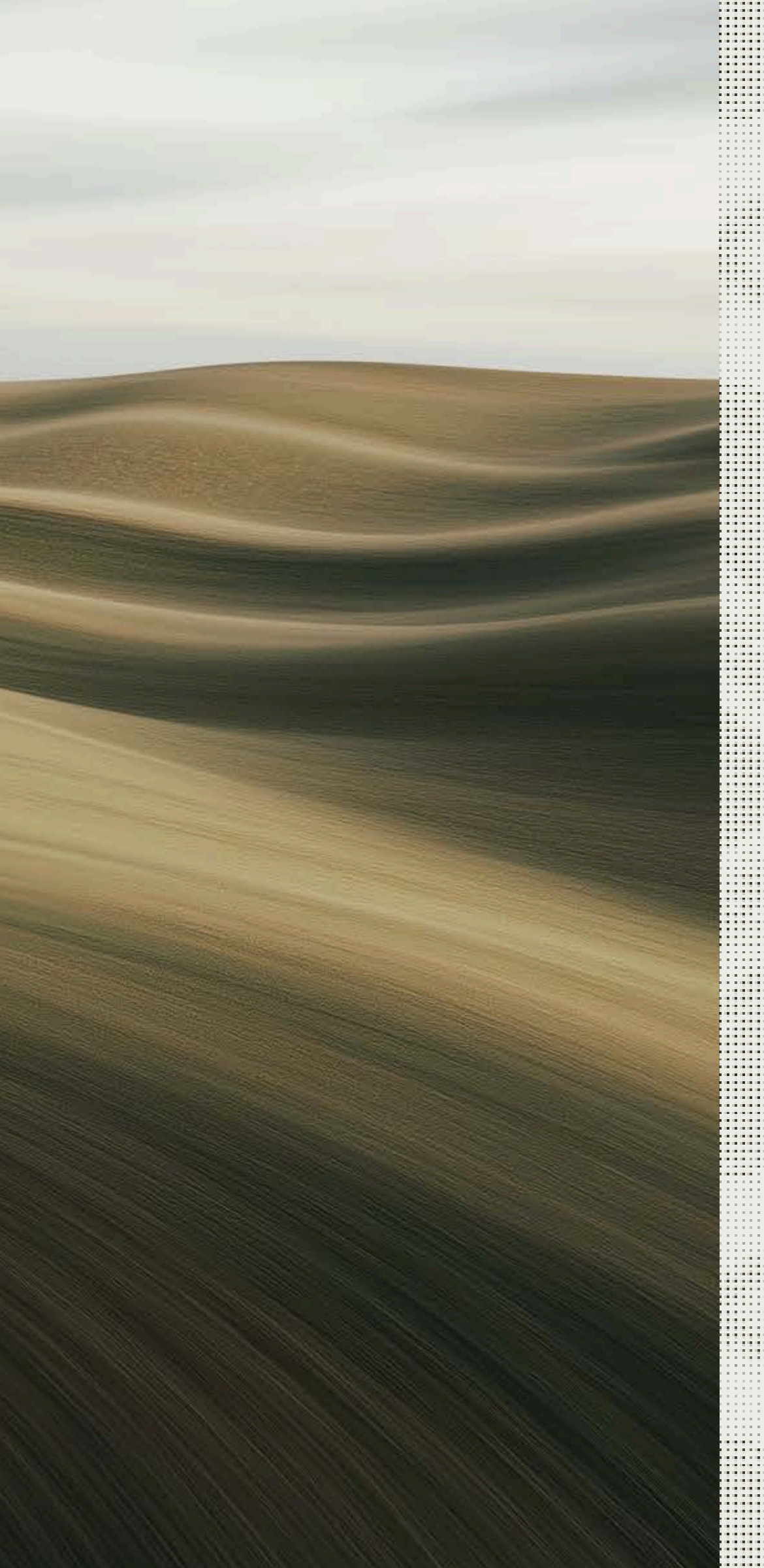
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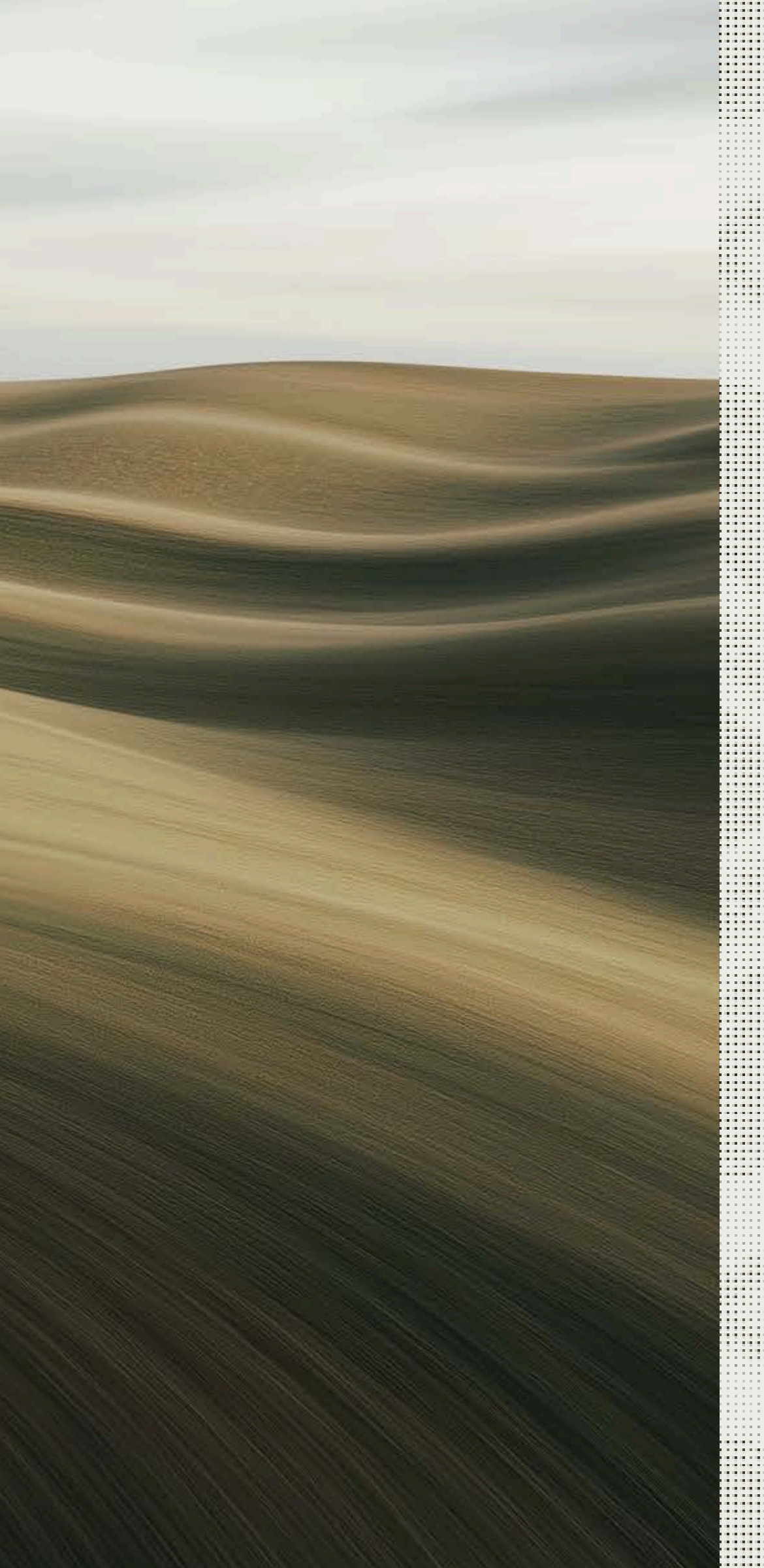
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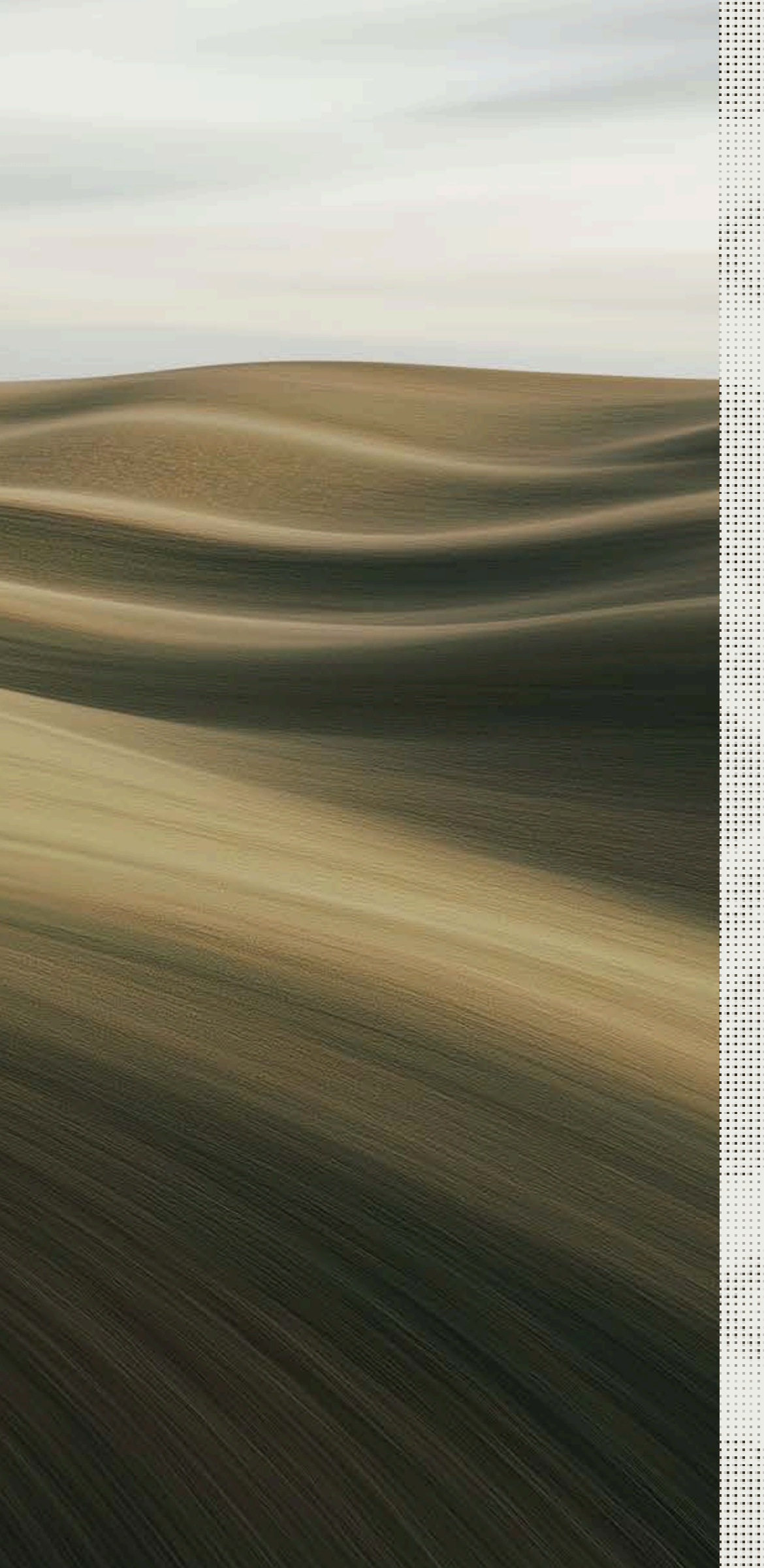


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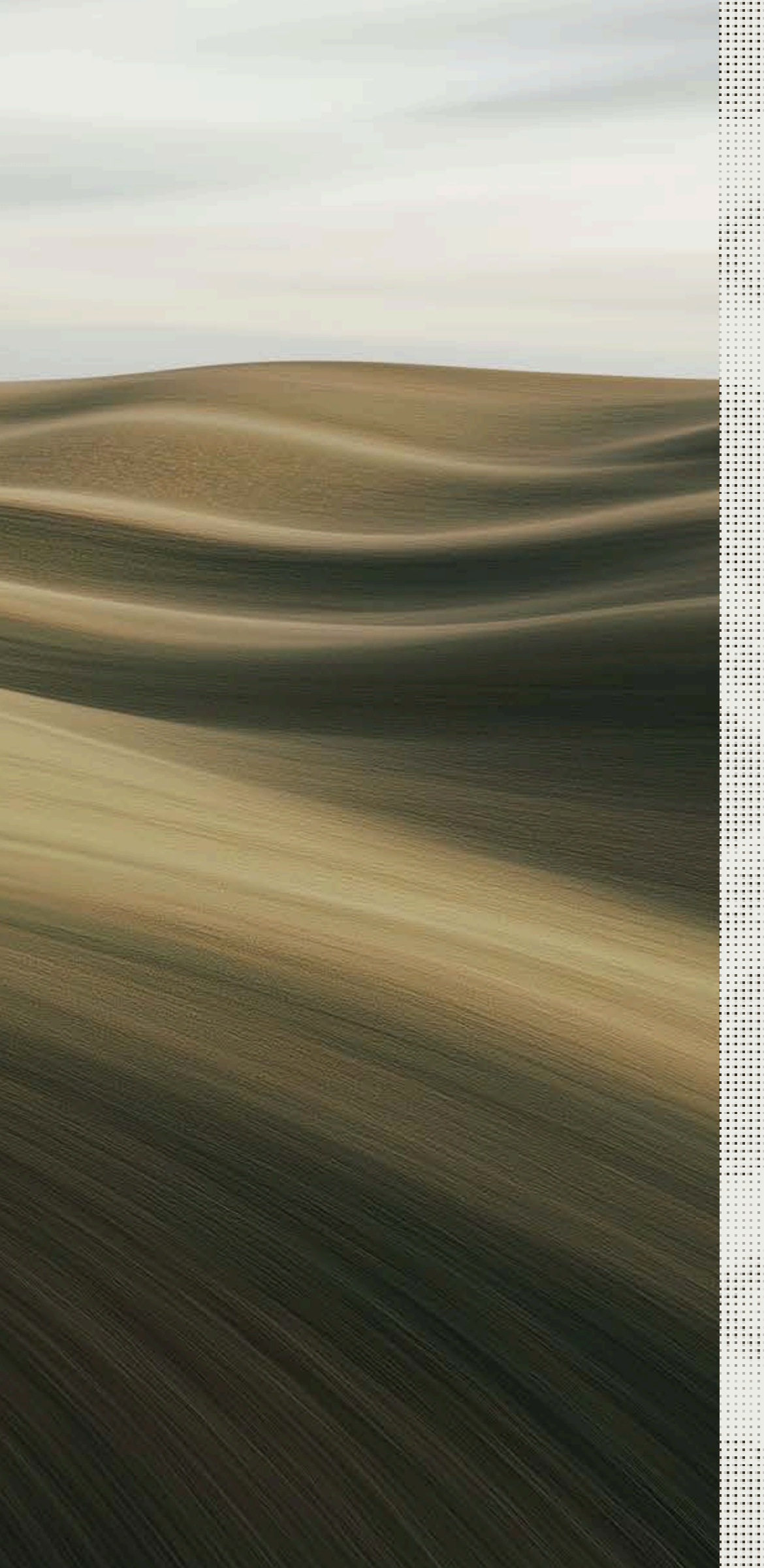
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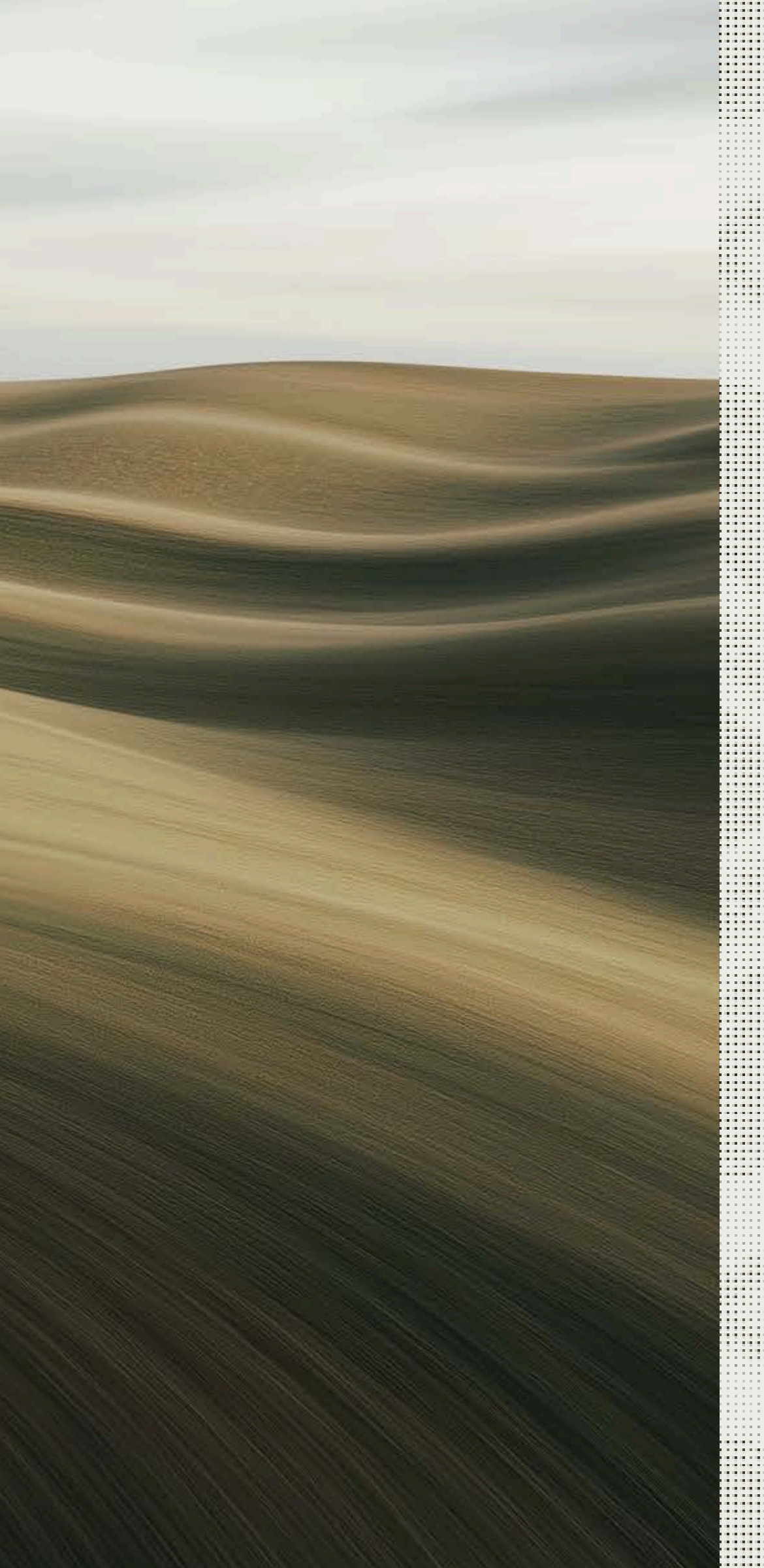
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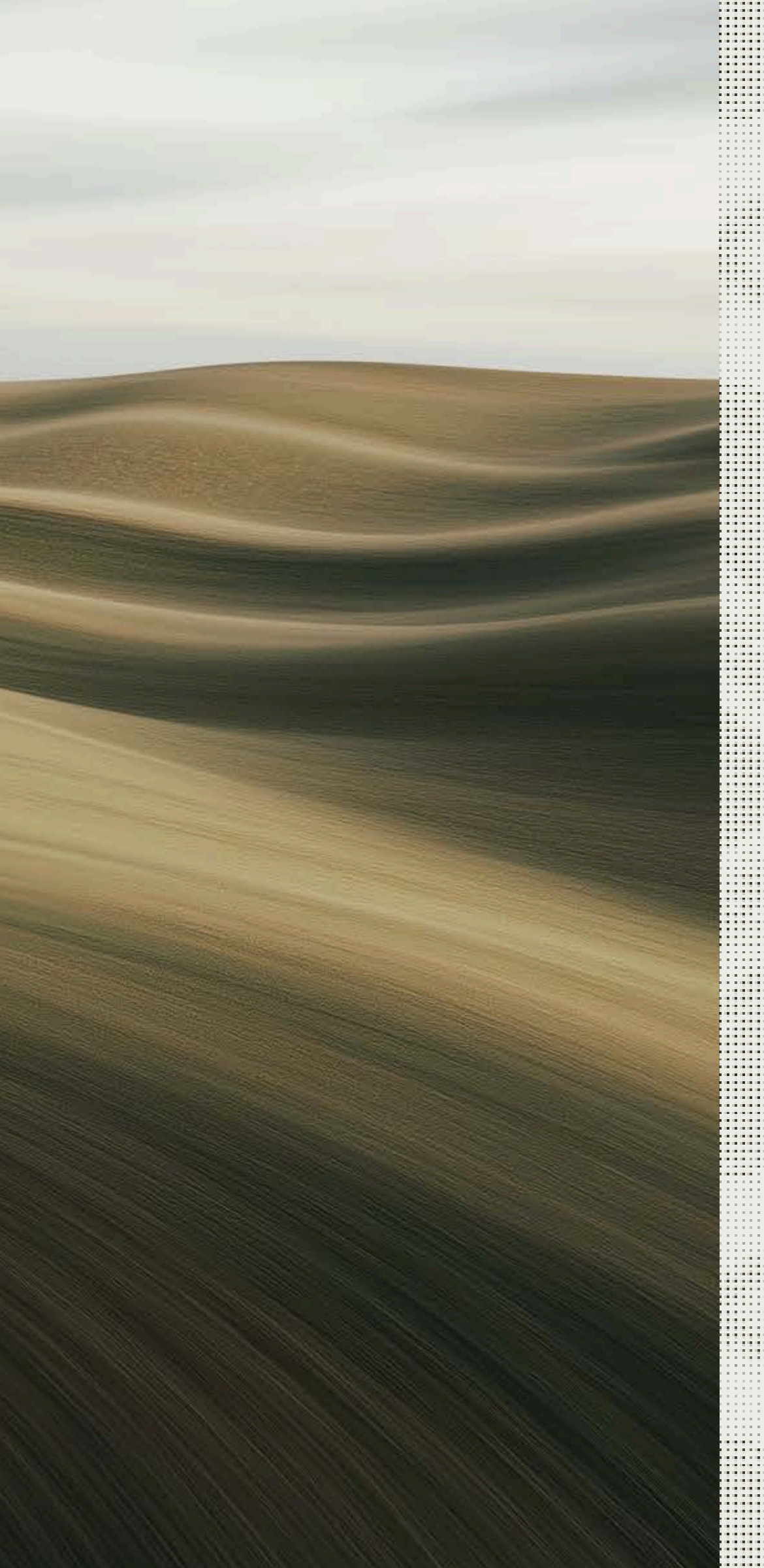
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ACTS 1:9-11 NIV



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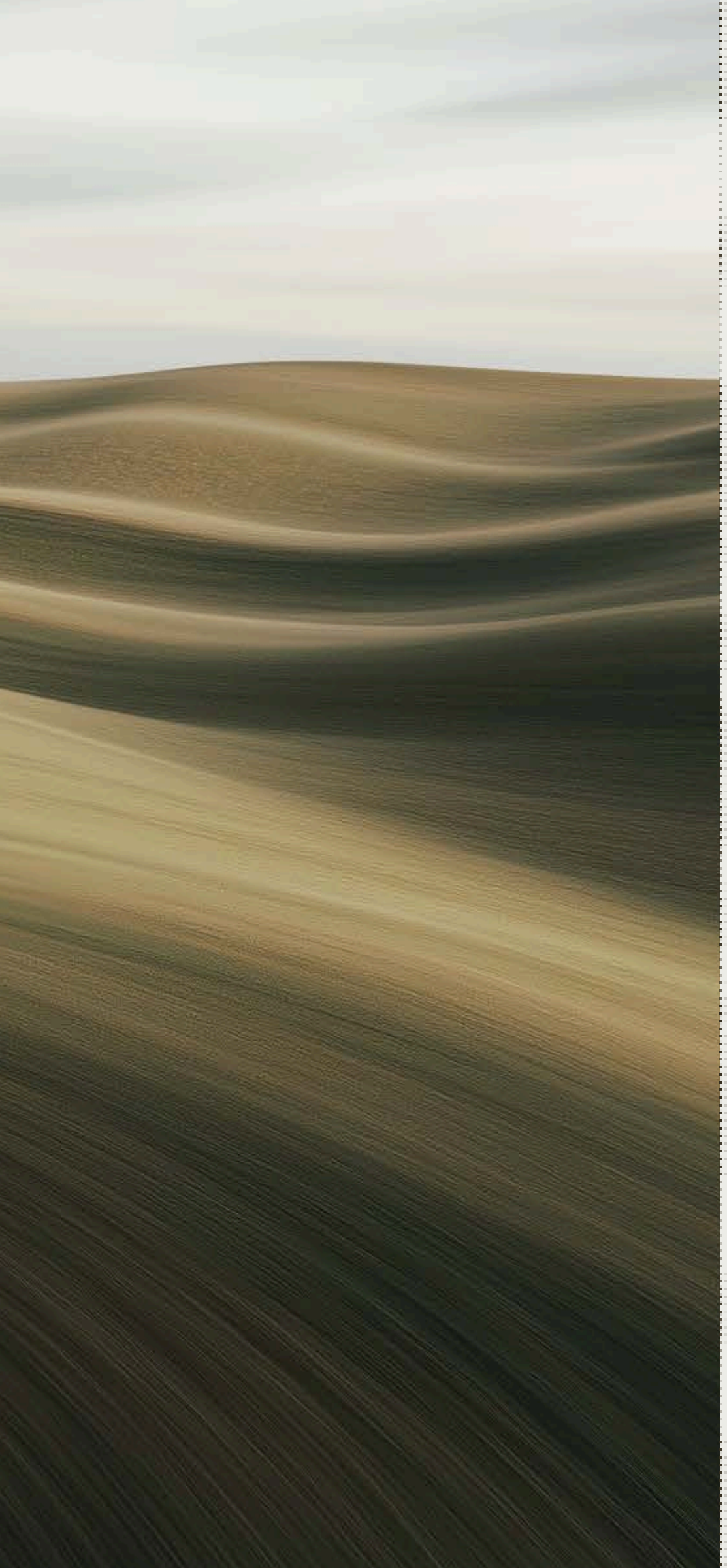


“In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a **son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven.** He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence.¹⁴ He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all nations and peoples of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed.

DANIEL 7:13-14 NIV

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ACTS 1:8 NIV