

Message Notes for July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – 10am on FB Live  
**“Who is this king of Glory?” Psalm 24**  
Pastor Davis Johnson

**Introduction** – Groundhog Day

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Psalm 65:9-11

Psalm 135:5-7

Psalm 145:15-16

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Who can ascend the mountain?

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**Scripture Passages** (from the New International Version)

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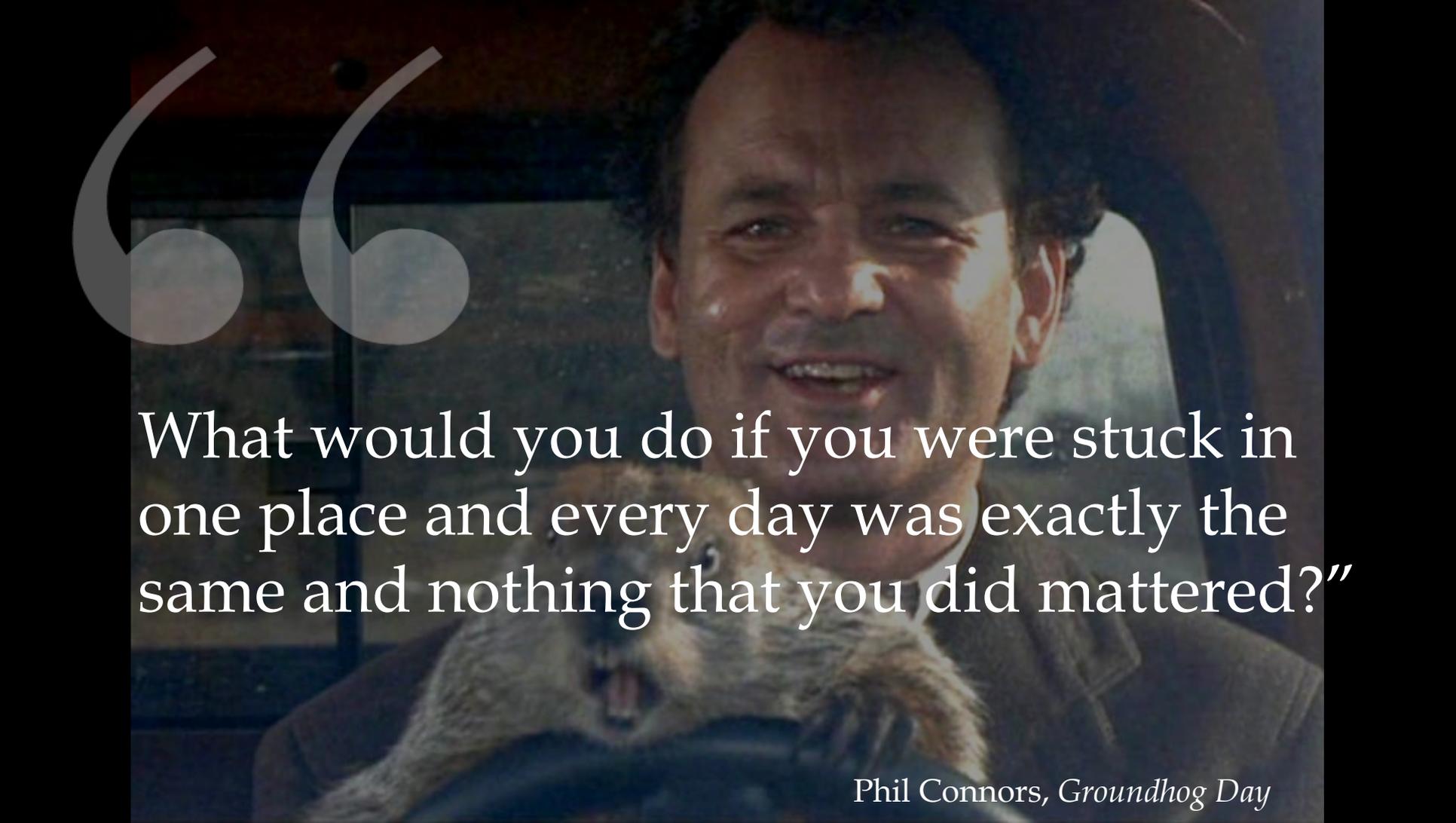
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A quote from Phil Connors in the movie Groundhog Day. The background is a still from the movie showing Phil Connors smiling and holding a groundhog. A large, light-colored quotation mark graphic is on the left side of the image.

What would you do if you were stuck in one place and every day was exactly the same and nothing that you did mattered?"

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# PSALMS

SERMON SERIES

This week's message:

*"Who is this King of glory?"*

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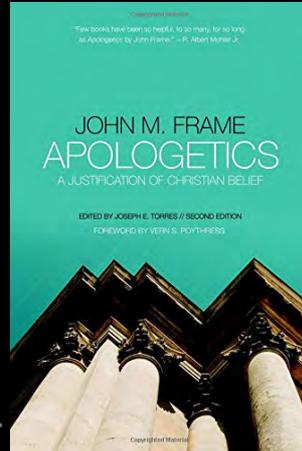
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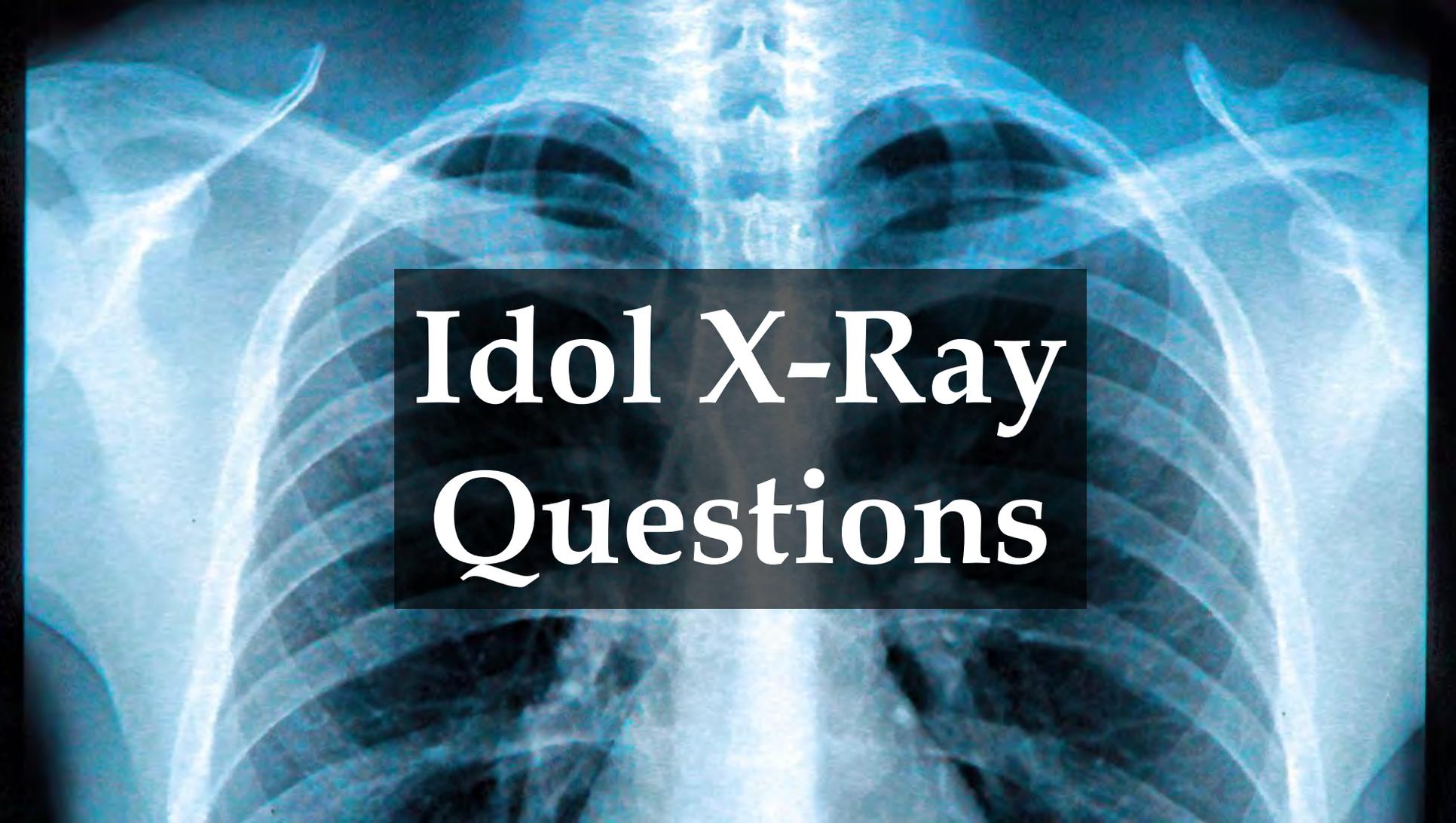
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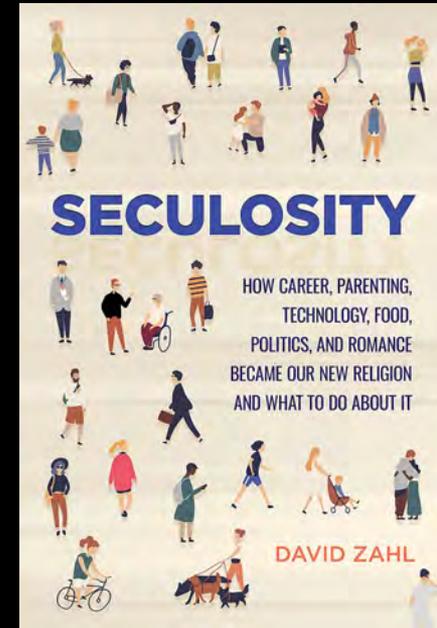
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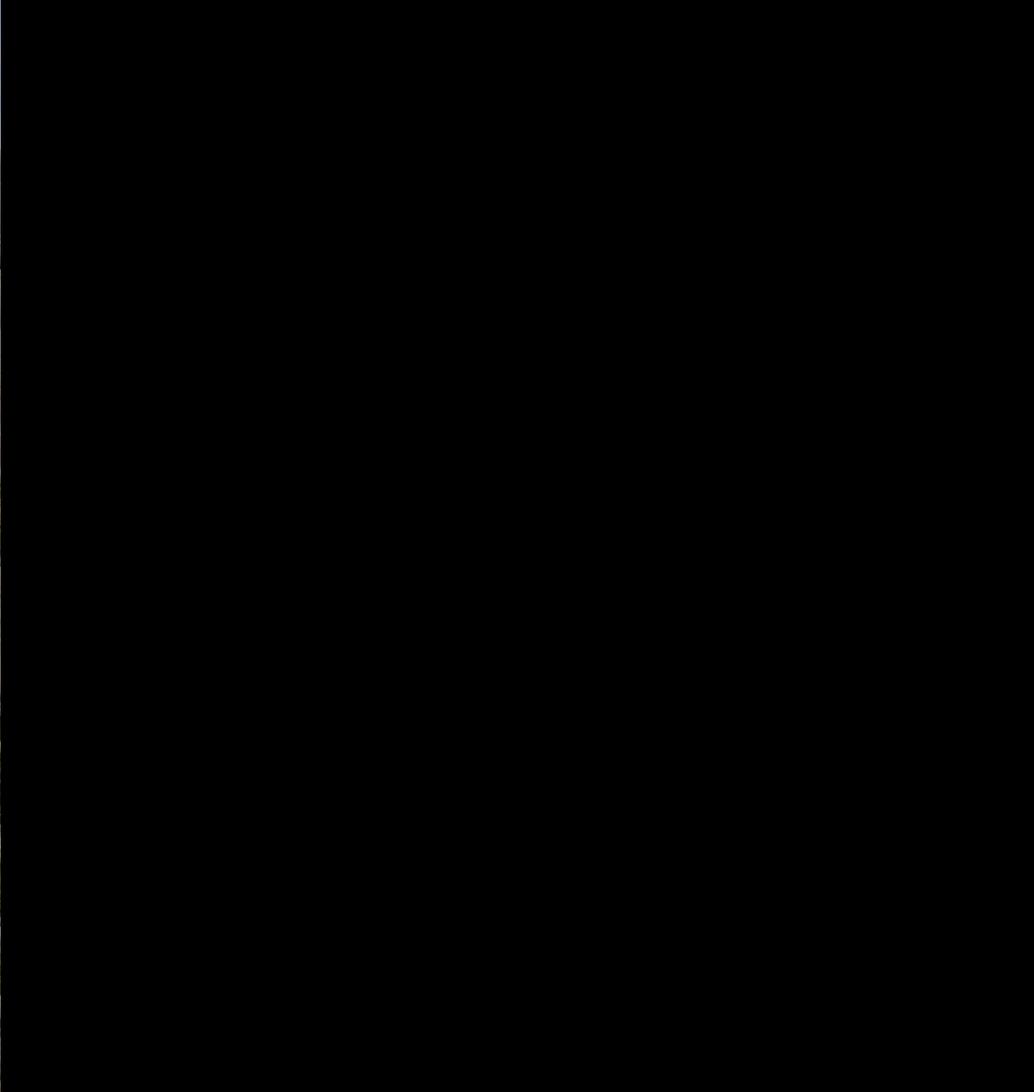
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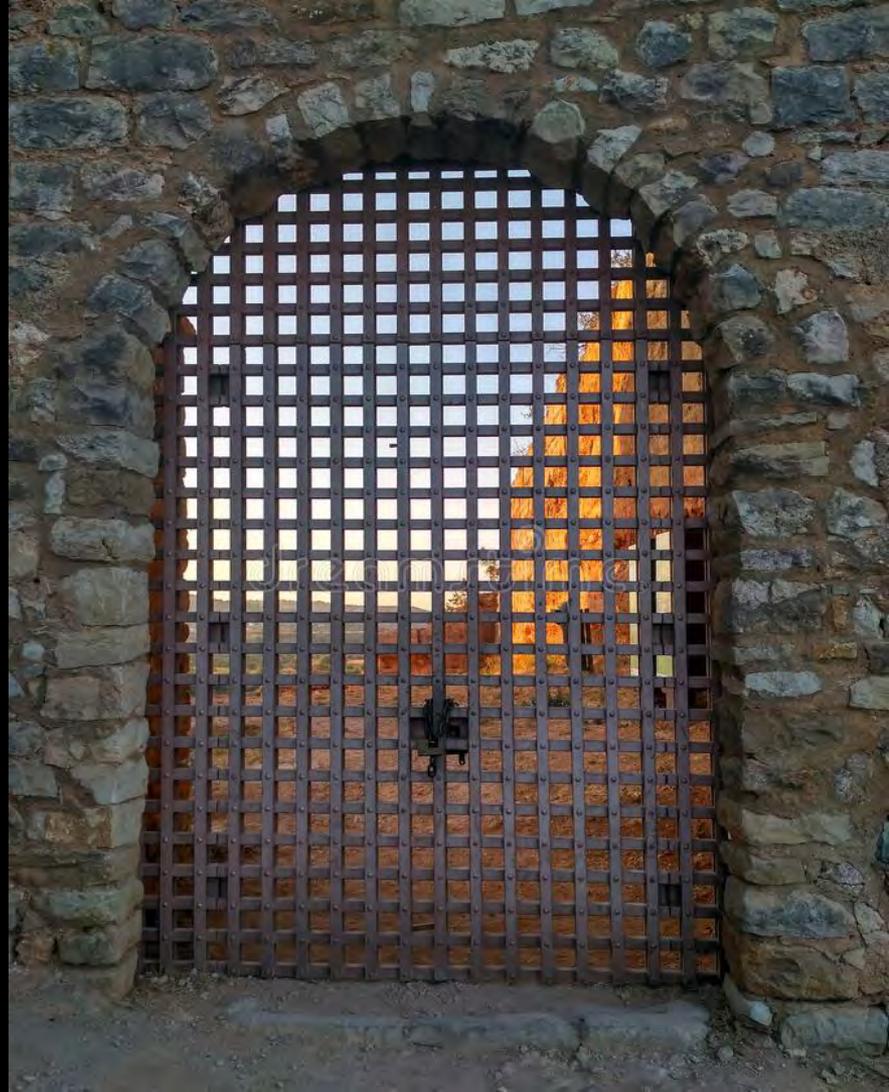
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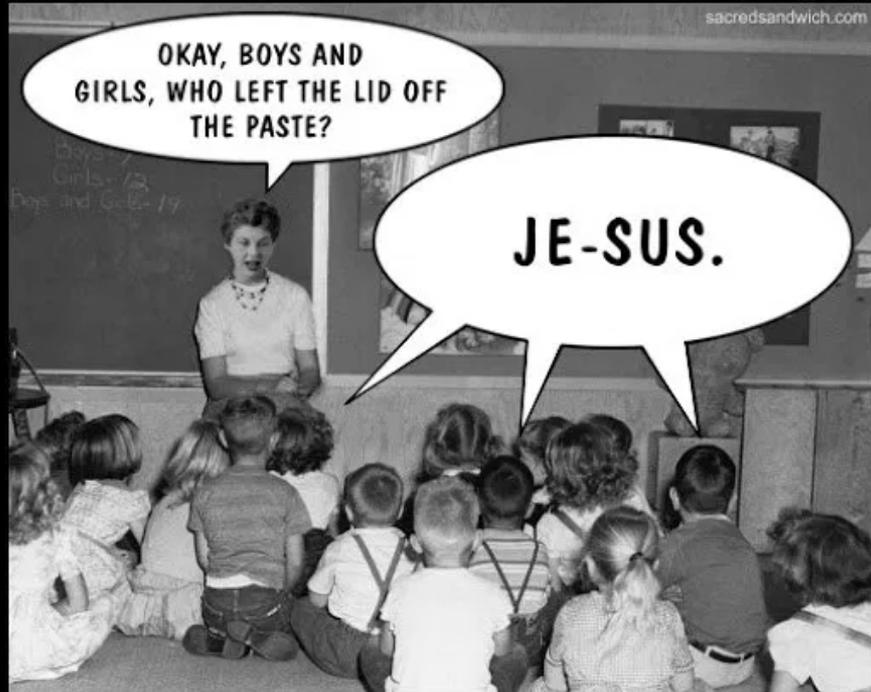
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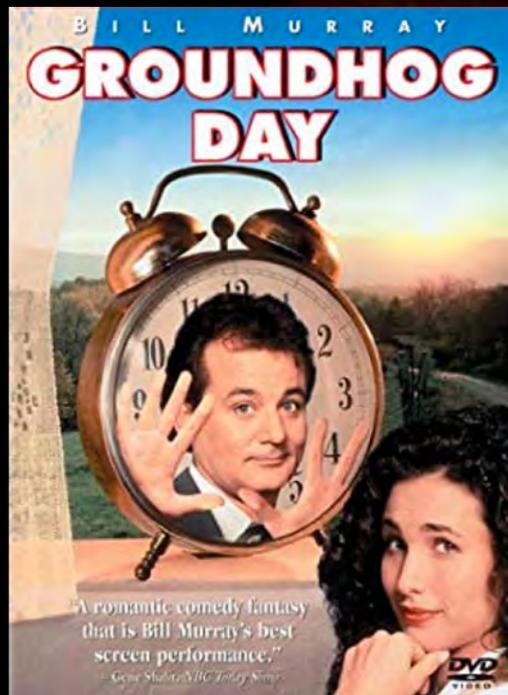
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