

Psalm of
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Psalm 121:1-2 NIV

I lift up my eyes to the mountains—
where does my help come from?

² My help comes from the LORD,
the Maker of heaven and earth.

Psalms 121:3-6 NIV

He will not let your foot slip—
he who watches over you will not slumber;
⁴ indeed, he who watches over Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.


⁵ The LORD watches over you—
the LORD is your shade at your right hand;
⁶ the sun will not harm you by day,
nor the moon by night.

Psalm 121:7-8 NIV

The LORD will keep you from all harm—
he will watch over your life;

⁸ the LORD will watch over your coming and going
both now and forevermore.

Hebrew Feasts



Sabbath:

celebrated the rest God provides

Passover & Feast of Unleavened Bread:

celebrated the Exodus

The Feast of Weeks (Pentecost):

celebrated the harvest and the covenant

The Feast of Trumpets:

celebrated a new agricultural year and called for repentance

The Day of Atonement:

celebrated God removing Israel's sin

The Feast of Tabernacles:

celebrated the wilderness journey

The Church Calendar

Sabbath/Lord's Day:

celebrates the finished work of Jesus

Advent:

four-week anticipation of Christmas

Christmas:

celebrates the birth of Christ

Epiphany:

celebrates the arrival of the wise men

Lent:

40 days of reflection prior to Easter

Holy Week:

celebrates the passion of Jesus and the resurrection

Our Cultural Calendar



Back to School:

celebrates the start of new things

Halloween–Thanksgiving:

celebrates football, fall, friends, and family

Christmas:

celebrates Santa, gifts, and a cappella music

Valentine's Day:

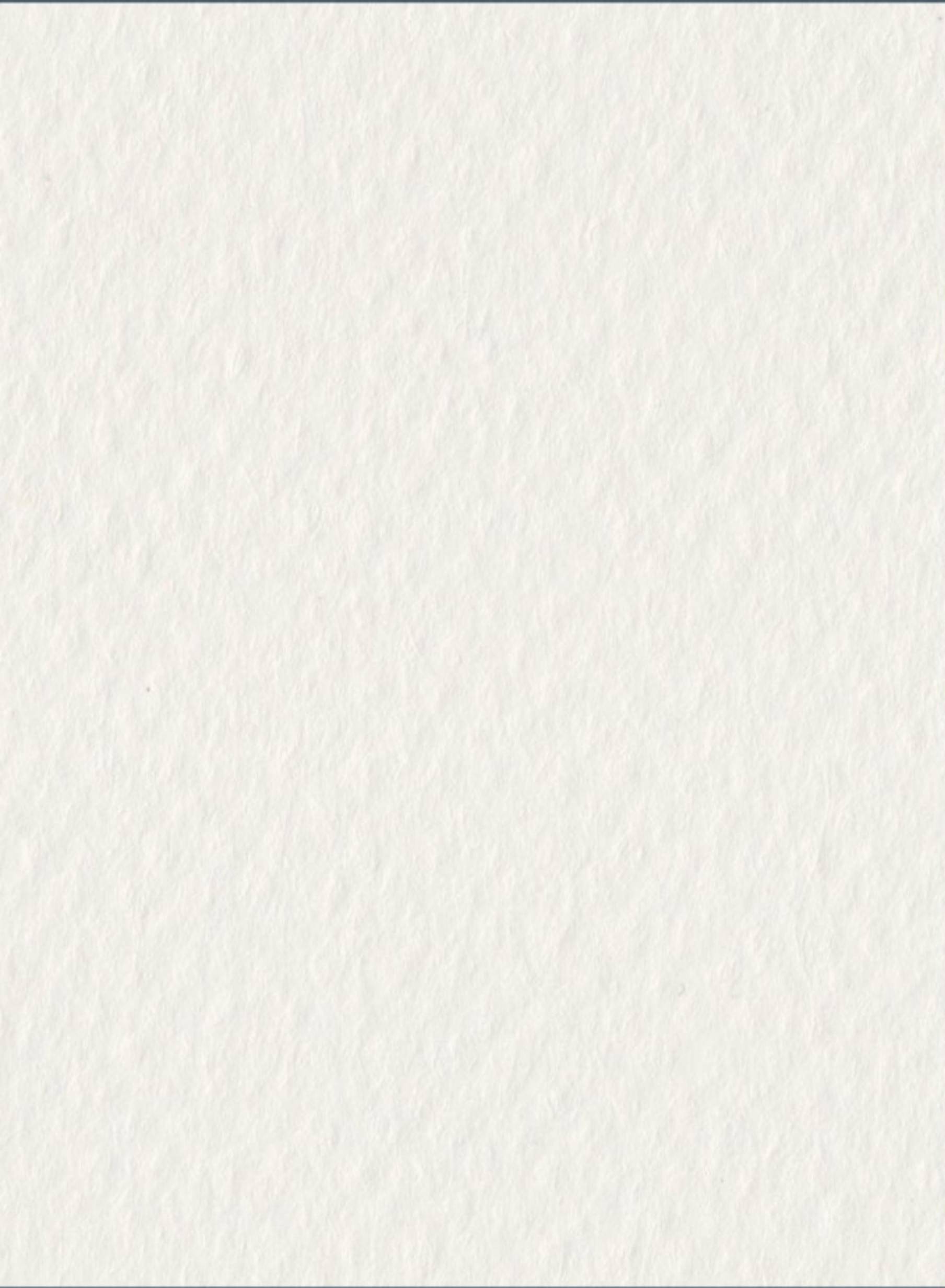
celebrates romantic love

Spring Break:

celebrates rest and recreation

Memorial Day & Independence Day:

remembers fallen veterans, celebrates America, and launches summer



“There is a great market for religious experience in our world; there is little enthusiasm for the patient acquisition of virtue, little inclination to sign up for a long apprenticeship in what earlier generations of Christians called holiness.”

- Eugene Peterson

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