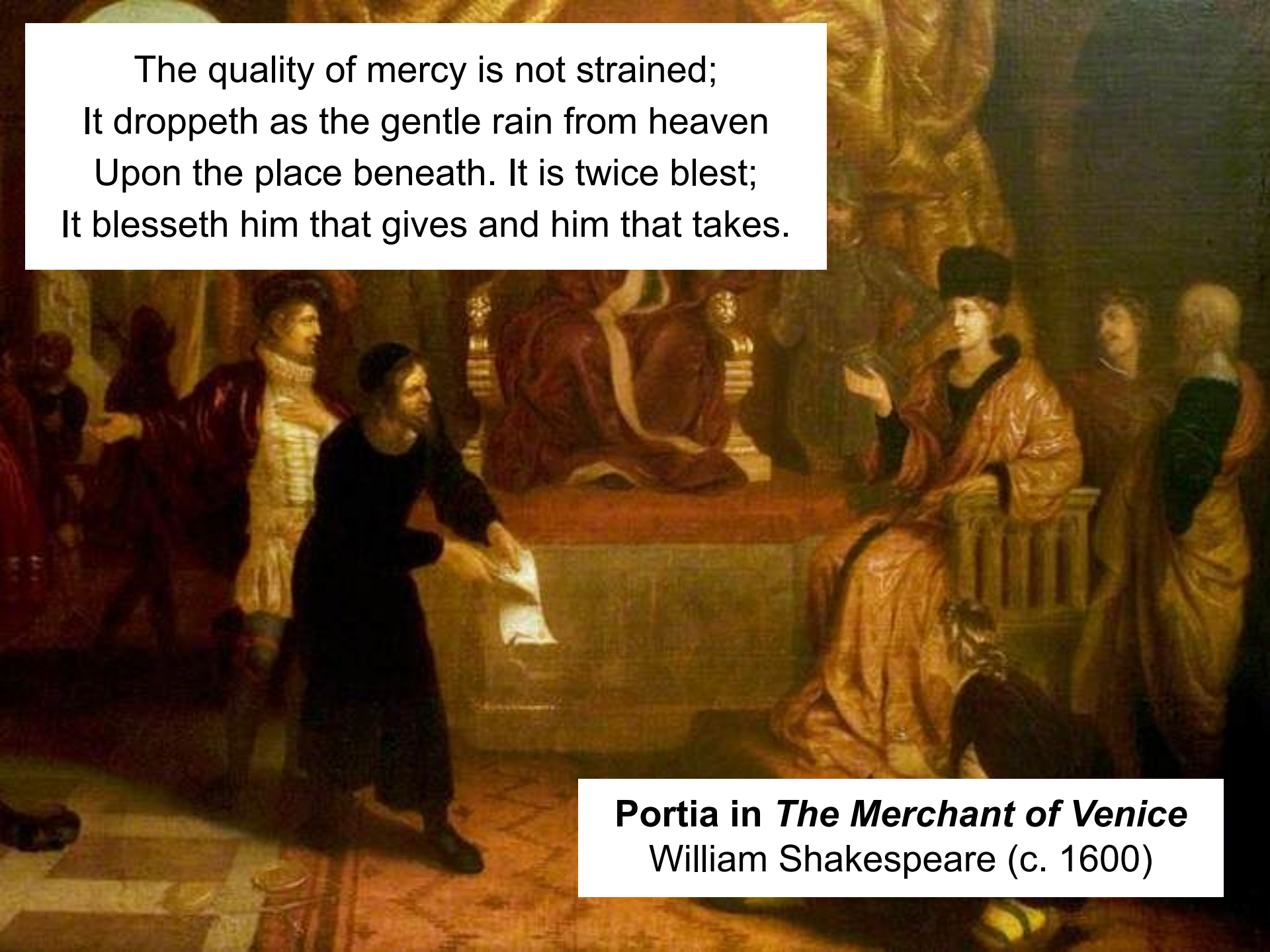



The quality of mercy is not strained;  
It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven  
Upon the place beneath. It is twice blest;  
It blesseth him that gives and him that takes.



**Portia in *The Merchant of Venice***  
William Shakespeare (c. 1600)

# Bankei Yōtaku

A portrait of Bankei Yōtaku, a Japanese Buddhist monk. He is depicted from the chest up, seated. He has dark hair, a mustache, and a goatee. He is wearing a dark brown robe over a red garment with a white collar. The background is a textured, light brown wall.

“The true human ideal is to show kindness to those who are foolish, and help those who are evil.”





**Eva Mozes Kor**



"Forgive your  
worst enemies and  
forgive everyone  
who has hurt you- it  
will heal your soul  
and set you free."

- Eva Mozes Kor



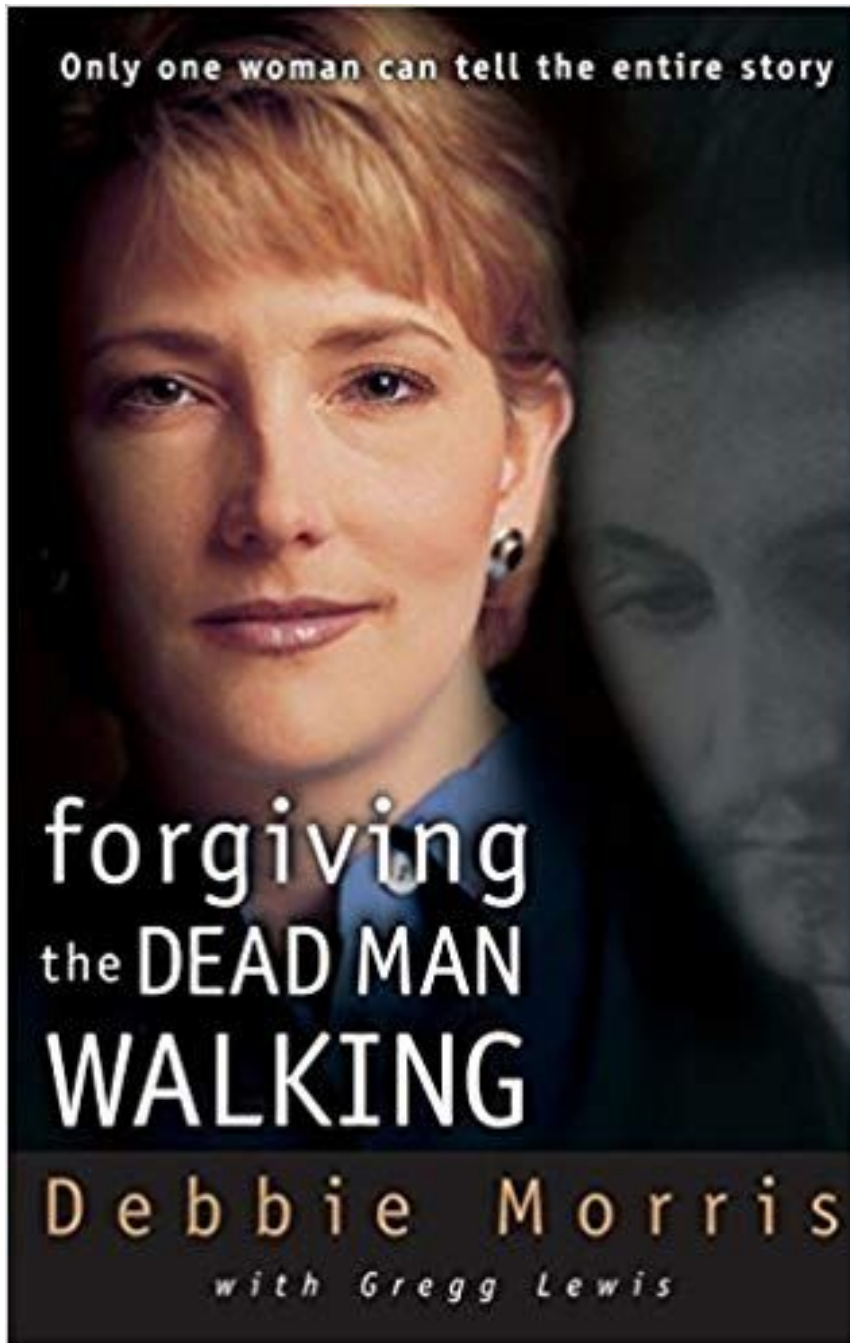


A portrait of a man with dark hair, wearing a dark suit jacket over a light pink shirt. He is standing outdoors with a body of water and a city skyline in the background. The text "Rais Bhuiyan" is overlaid in a white box on the right side of the image.

# **Rais Bhuiyan**



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"I don't think there's anybody here that wants to do anything but forgive and not only reach out to those who have suffered a loss in that way but to **reach out to the family of the man who committed these acts.**"

Jack Meyer

# Phan Thi Kim Phuc





“Forgiveness made me free from hatred. I still have many scars on my body and severe pain most days but my heart is cleansed. **Napalm is very powerful, but faith, forgiveness, and love are much more powerful.**”

**Phan Thi  
Kim Phuc**



We would not have war at all if everyone could learn how to live with true love, hope, and forgiveness.

**If that little girl in the picture can do it, ask yourself: Can you?**

**Phan Thi  
Kim Phuc**







# **Tomeka Lynch**

**Shot 7 times in  
convenience  
store robbery**





“I forgive him”



**Alontae Cousar**





**Phyllis Rodriguez lost  
her son Greg on 9/11.**



Then she met and befriended Aicha el-Wafi, mother of Zacarias Moussaoui.



