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Unlocking the Psalms

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Key Word

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Praise

Psalms

Theme

Praise and petition God

Psalms

Key Verse

"Praise the LORD. I will extol the LORD with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly" (111:1).

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Kingdom Statement

Praise and petition to God is the right response of worshipping the Divine King.

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Summary Statement

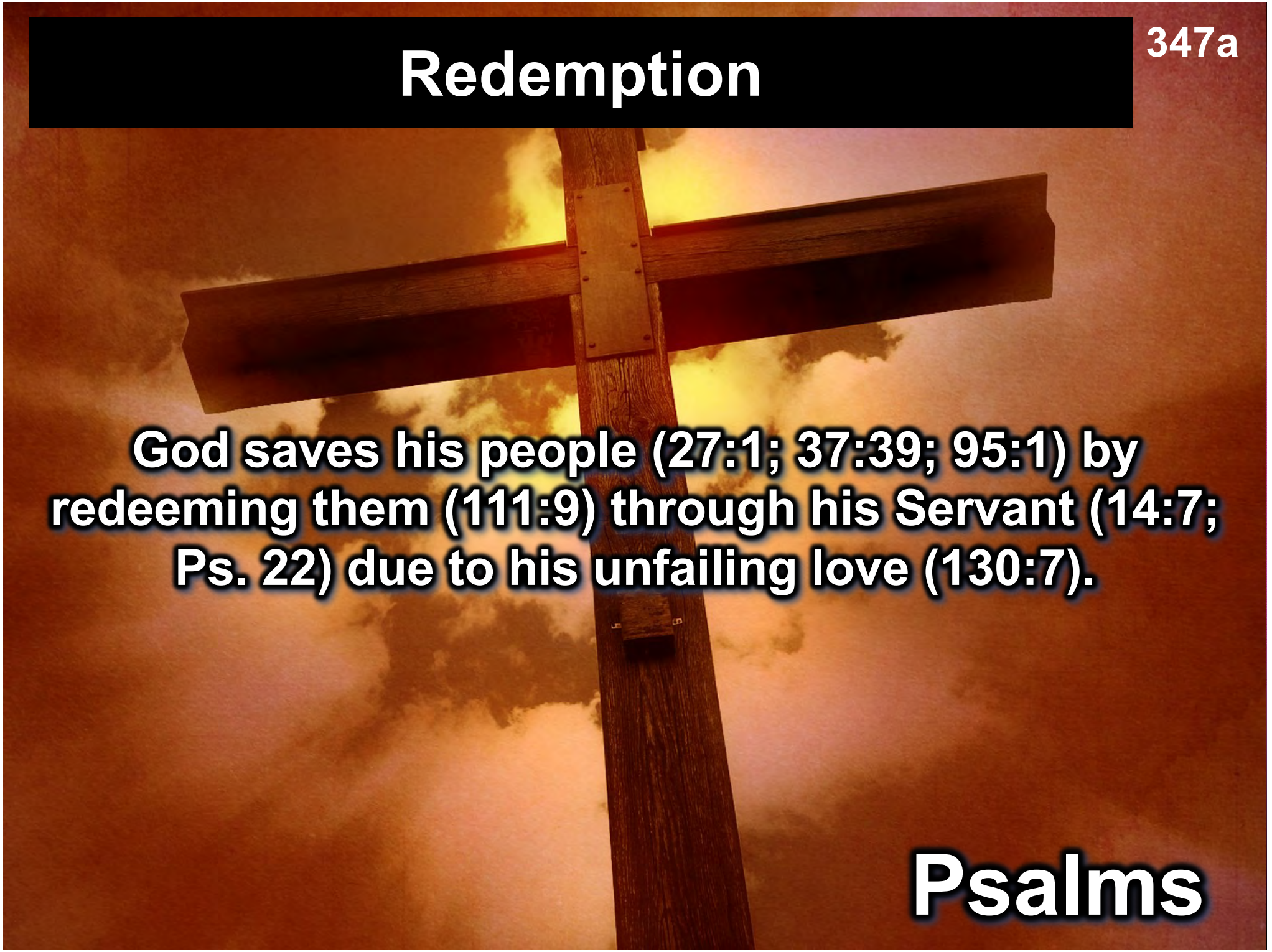
Praise and petition God for who He is and what He has done in providing wisdom, protection, Messianic fulfillment, and His Word to be humble before Him in trust and thanksgiving.

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Covenant

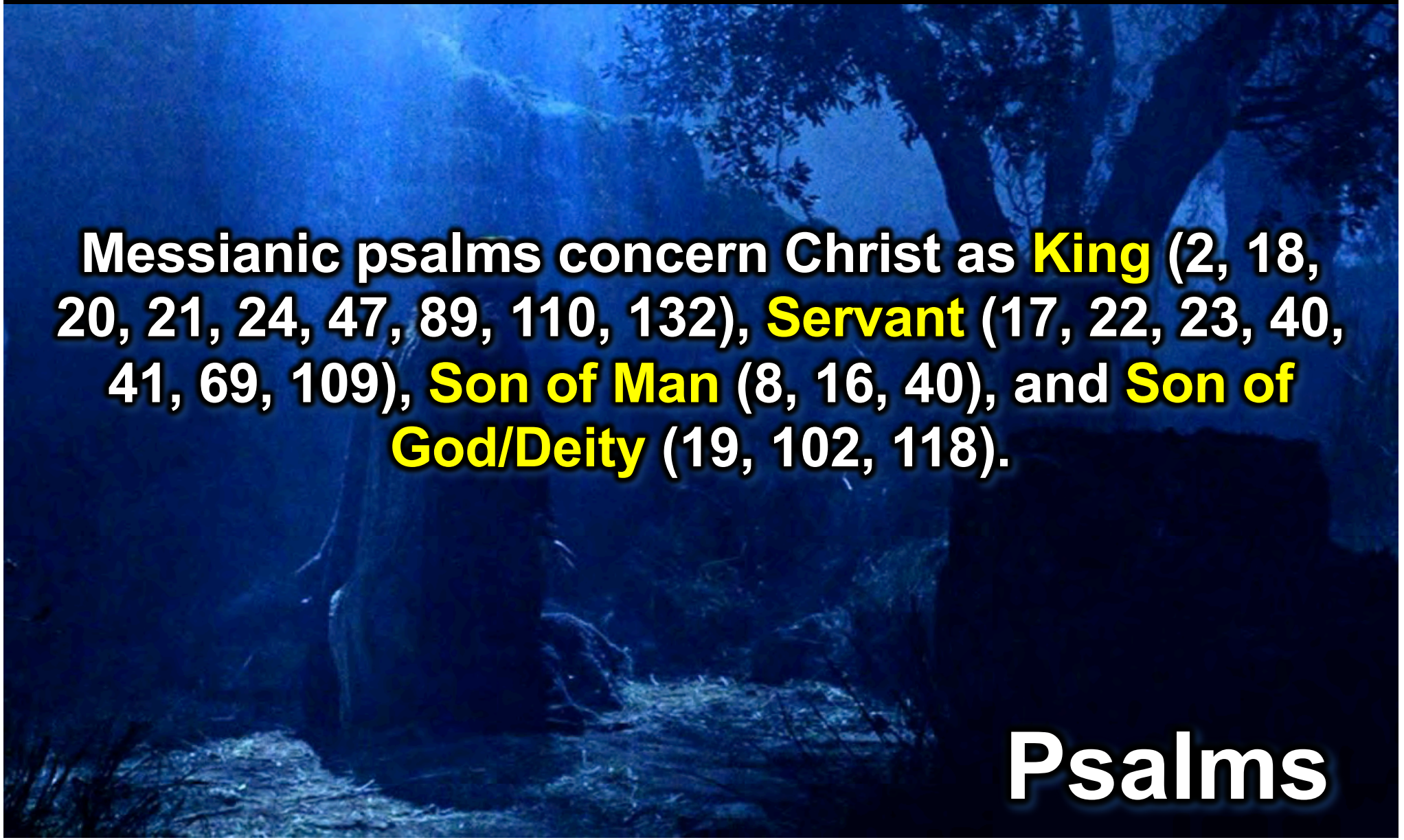
God's Davidic king (Ps. 89) will fulfill his covenant to David in his coming kingdom (Pss. 96–99), where Zion will be his permanent abode (Pss. 78, 132).

Redemption



God saves his people (27:1; 37:39; 95:1) by redeeming them (111:9) through his Servant (14:7; Ps. 22) due to his unfailing love (130:7).

Messiah



Messianic psalms concern Christ as **King** (2, 18, 20, 21, 24, 47, 89, 110, 132), **Servant** (17, 22, 23, 40, 41, 69, 109), **Son of Man** (8, 16, 40), and **Son of God/Deity** (19, 102, 118).

Psalms

Psalms — Praise and Petition God

	Book 1 (1–41)	Book 2 (42–72)	Book 3 (73–89)	Book 4 (90–106)	Book 5 (107–150)
Number	41	31	17	17	44
Authors and Number of Psalms Authored	David-37 Anon-4	David-18 Korah-7 Anon-4 Solomon-1 Asaph-1	Asaph-11 Korah-3 Ethan-1 Heman-1 David-1	Anon-14 David-2 Moses-1	Anon-28 David-15 Solomon-1
Main Type	Lament-22	Lament-21	Lament-9	Praise-12	Praise-22
Closing Doxology	41:13	72:18-19	89:52	106:48	150:1-6
Possible Complier	David	Hezekiah or Josiah		Ezra or Nehemiah	
Possible Compilation Dates	1020-970 BC	970-610 BC		Until c. 430 BC	
Span of Authorship	About 1000 Years (about 1410-430 BC)				

Types of Psalms

Praise	9,18, 21, 30, 47, 48, 63, 67, 71, 84, 89, 92, 96, 99, 100, 103, 108, 111–113, 115–117, 124, 134, 135, 138, 145–150
Remorse	32, 38, 39, 51, 79, 85, 101, 130, 143
Acrostic	119
Imprecatory	10, 35, 52, 55, 56, 58, 64, 69, 83, 109, 125, 129, 137, 140, 141, 144
Supplication	3, 4, 6, 11, 12, 13, 20, 25, 26, 27, 28, 36, 42, 43, 54, 57, 60, 61, 70, 74, 80, 86, 88, 90, 120, 122, 123, 142
Environmental	8, 19, 29, 33, 65, 93, 98, 104
Historical	44, 66, 77, 78, 81, 95, 105, 106, 114, 132, 136
Instructional	1, 5, 7, 14, 15, 17, 34, 37, 49, 50, 53, 62, 73, 76, 82, 87, 91, 94, 107, 121, 126-128, 131, 133, 139
Messianic	2, 16, 22, 23, 24, 31, 40, 41, 45, 46, 68, 72, 97, 102, 110, 118



Barry Huddleston, *The Acrostic Summarized Bible* (Grand Rapids: Baker, 1992)

Be Praising



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Categories of Psalms



- Praise
- Messianic
- Lament
- Testimonial
- Pilgrim (Ascent)
- Wisdom
- Imprecatory
- Penitential
- Historical
- Nature

Individual Psalms Classified Generally

Praise			Lament (Petition)		
Declarative		Descriptive	Individual		People
Individual	People		Open	Heard	
DPI	DPP	DSP	LIO	LIH	LOP
1	2	3	4	5	6

LAMENT				DECLARATIVE PRAISE		DESCRIPTIVE PRAISE 3				DIDACTIC		
LAMENT PSALMS			SONGS OF TRUST		ACKNOWLEDGEMENT PSALMS							
4	5	6			1	2						
Lament of the Individual Open—Heard		Lament of the People	Trust of the Individual	Trust of the People	Individual Thanksgiving	Communal Thanksgiving	Hymns Proper	Songs of God's Kingship	Songs of Zion	Royal Psalms	Wisdom Psalms	Torah Psalms	Other
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7	6						8						
12	9/10		11										
14	13		16									15?	
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							19:1-6			20		19:7-14	
					(21)					21			
25	22		23		(22)		24						
26	27		(27)										
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	31				32		33						
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40:12-17													
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Classification of Each Psalm
(F. Duane Lindsey)

Tips for Interpreting the Psalms

A. Pay attention to structure

B. Summarize the psalm in a sentence (p. 387)

C. Consider titles and background information in their superscriptions

D. Classify the psalm using Lindsey's p. 386

E. Interpret the psalm's incomplete theology in light of NT revelation (e.g., Ps. 51:11)

F. Reword figures of speech and parallelisms

G. Use NT allusions and/or quotations but don't read back into the text what the OT author would not have understood (e.g., Ps. 16:10 expanded in Acts 2:25-31)

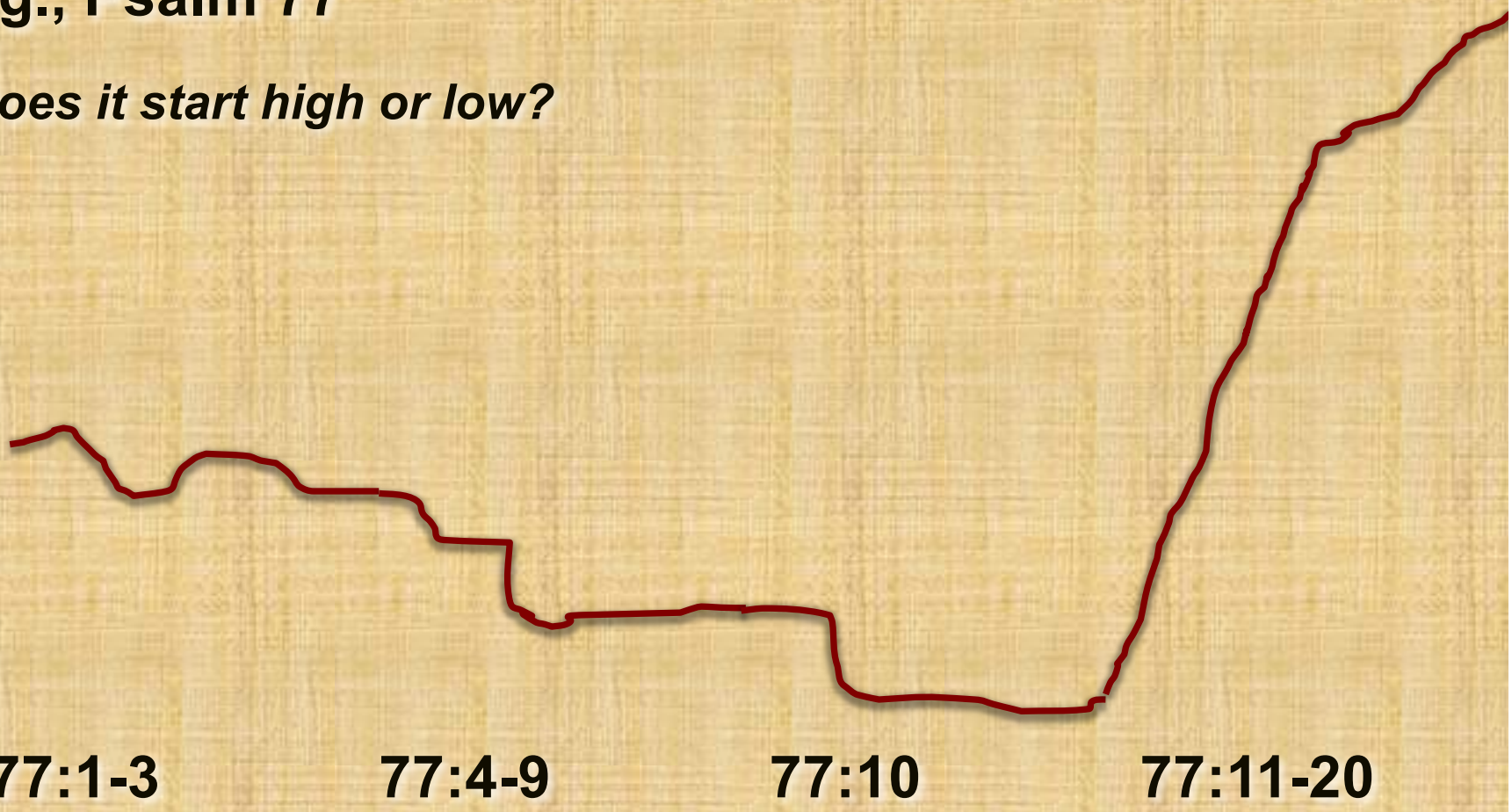
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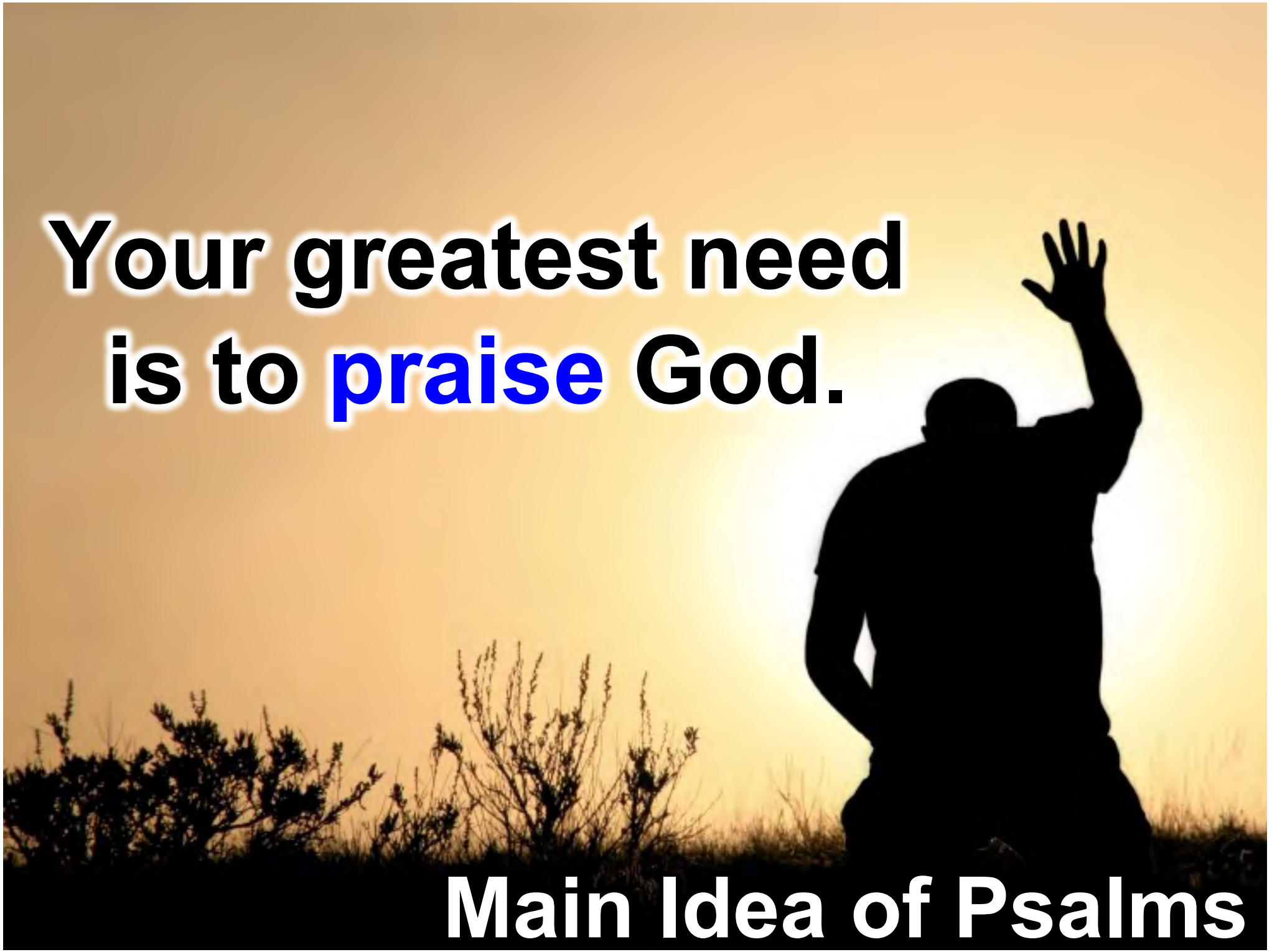
H. Read psalms slowly (in our speed-reading day).

I. Graph the emotional outline of the psalm.

e.g., Psalm 77

Does it start high or low?



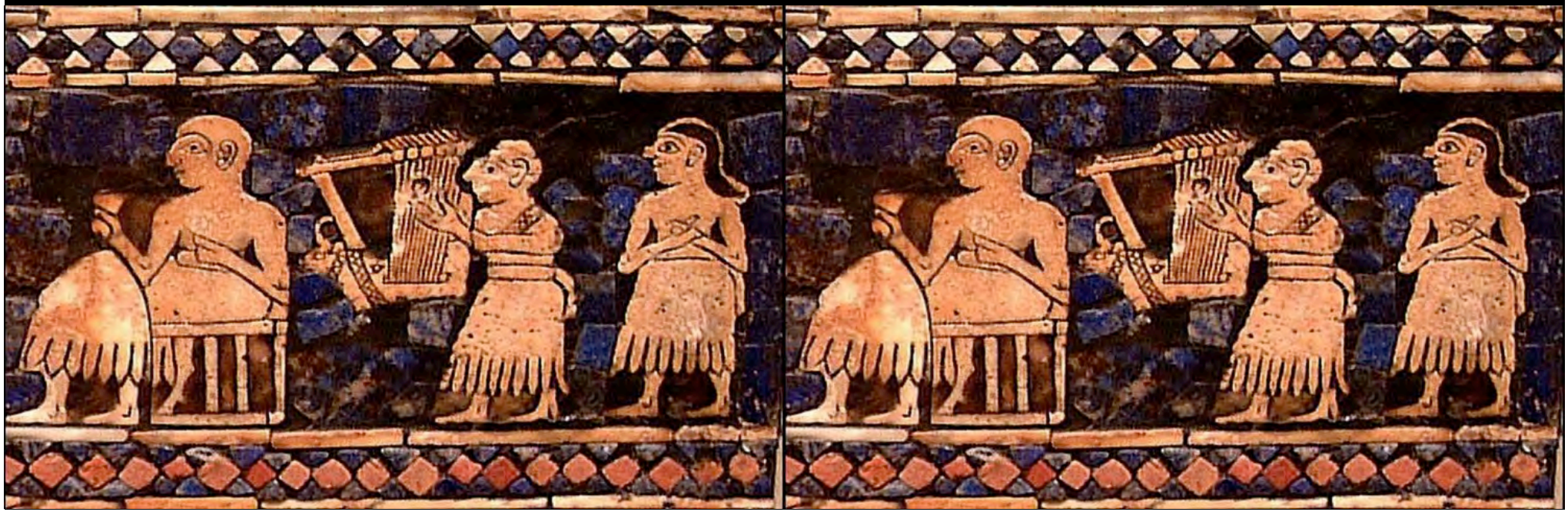

Your greatest need
is to praise God.
Main Idea of Psalms

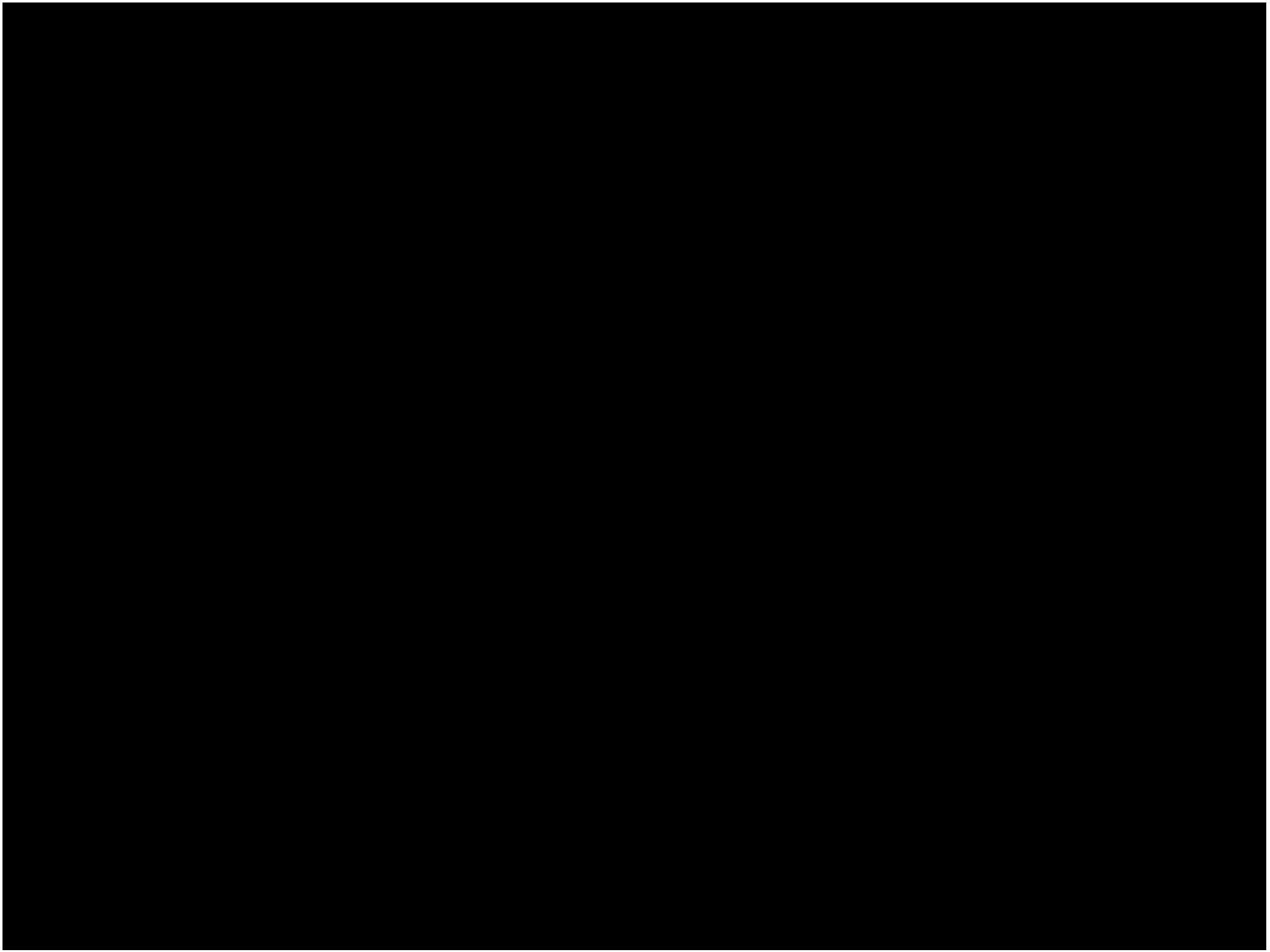
How to Pray Through a Psalm

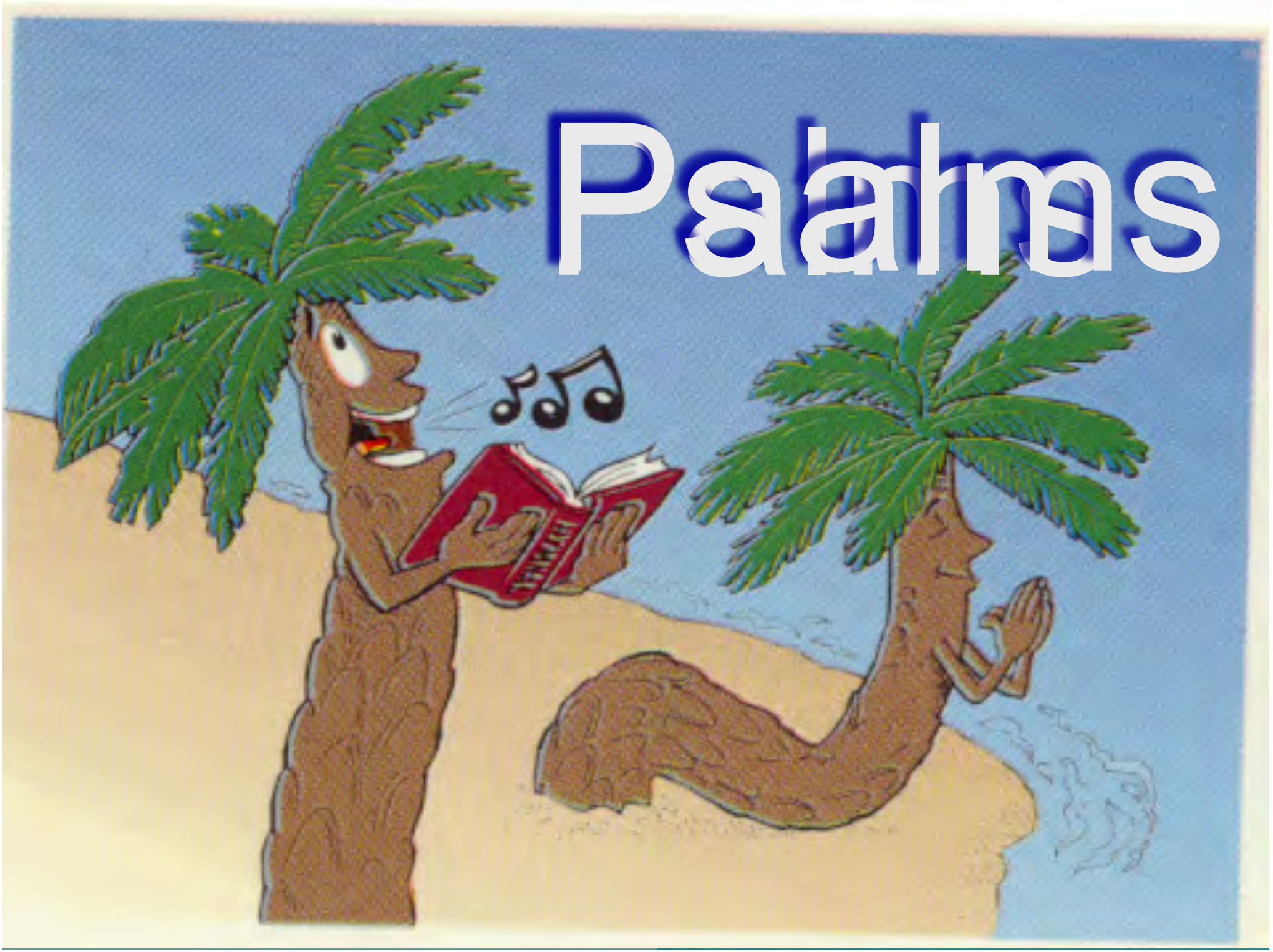
One verse per person

Paraphrase and personalize it

Make no requests






Psalms
HYMNS

Walk Thru the Poetical Books

Ecclesiastes……..Vanity

"Wisdom can overcome life's vanities"

Song…..Love in Marriage

"Wisdom can maintain a godly marriage"

Proverbs 31:30 "Charm is deceitful and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the LORD will be praised."

Proverbs 5:18 "Let your fountain be blessed, and rejoice in the wife of your youth."

Proverbs……..Wisdom

"The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom."

Psalm 111:10 "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; A good understanding have all those who do His commandments…"

Psalms……..Worship

"Worship develops the fear of the LORD"

Job 42:2 "I know that You can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted."

Job……..Sovereignty

"Seeing God's Sovereignty causes us to worship"

Source:
Walk Thru the Bible Ministries

Job: how to suffer
Psalms: how to pray
Proverbs: how to relate
Song: how to love
Ecclesiastes: how to live



The OT Poetic Books

From the Rising of the Sun

(Psalm 113)

From the rising of the sun
To the going down of the same
The Lord's name is to be praised (2x)
Praise ye the Lord
Praise ye all the servants of the Lord
Praise the name of the Lord
Blessed be the name of the Lord
From this time forth
And forever more



THE PSALMS

Songs of Worship for the Ages

Overview

- Introduction
- What place did the Psalms have in OT times?
- How did the Israelites worship God through the Psalms?
- How are the Psalms relevant for Christians today?


What is Poetry?
In the next two minutes define poetry to the person next to you

Characteristics of Hebrew Poetry

1. Stress Patterns (not rhymes)
2. Evocative language
3. Acrostic Arrangement
4. Thought Rhyme

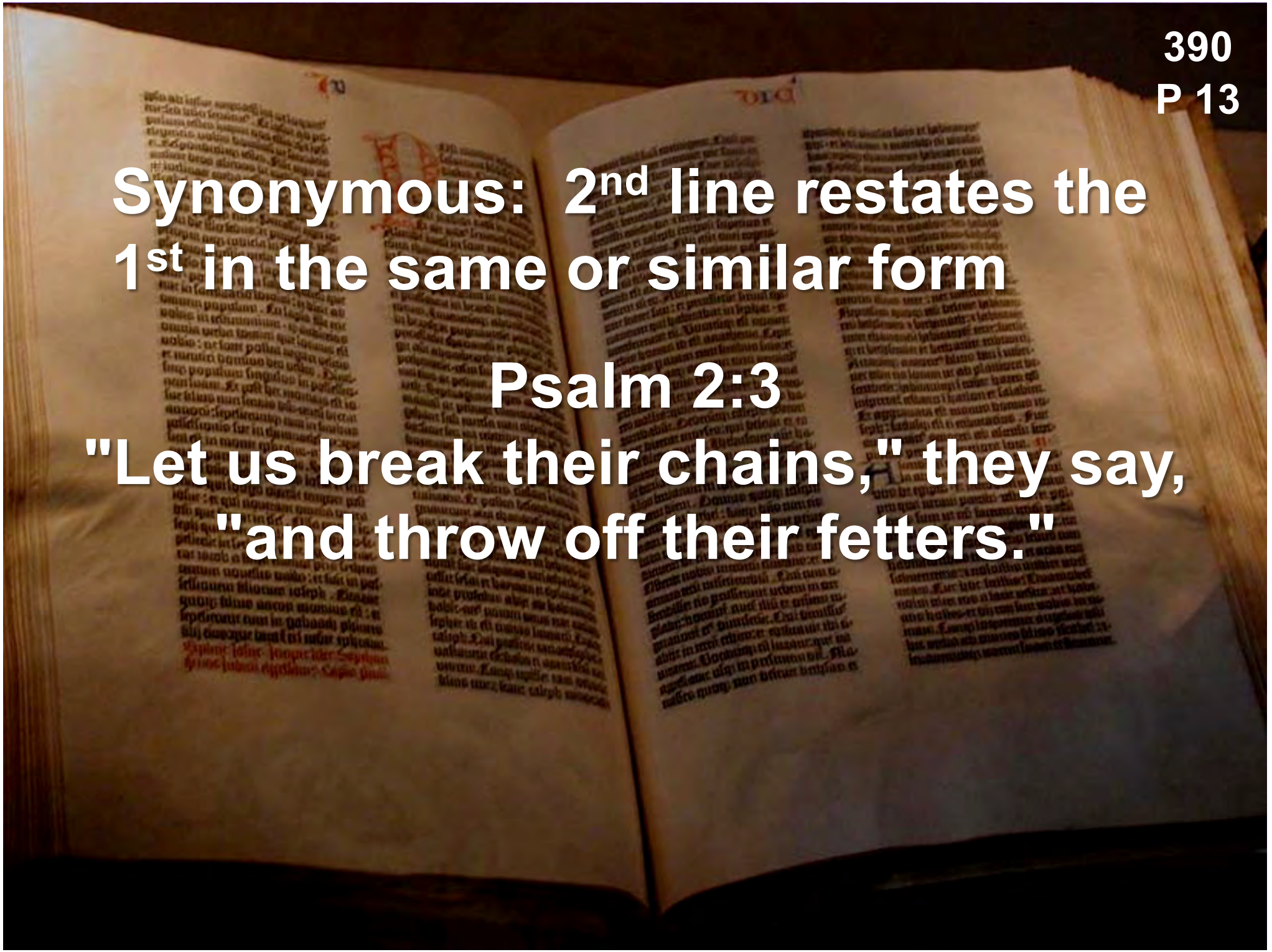

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The Key:
Hebrew Parallelism



"the repetition of meaning in parallel expressions" (Ross, *BKC*, 1:780)

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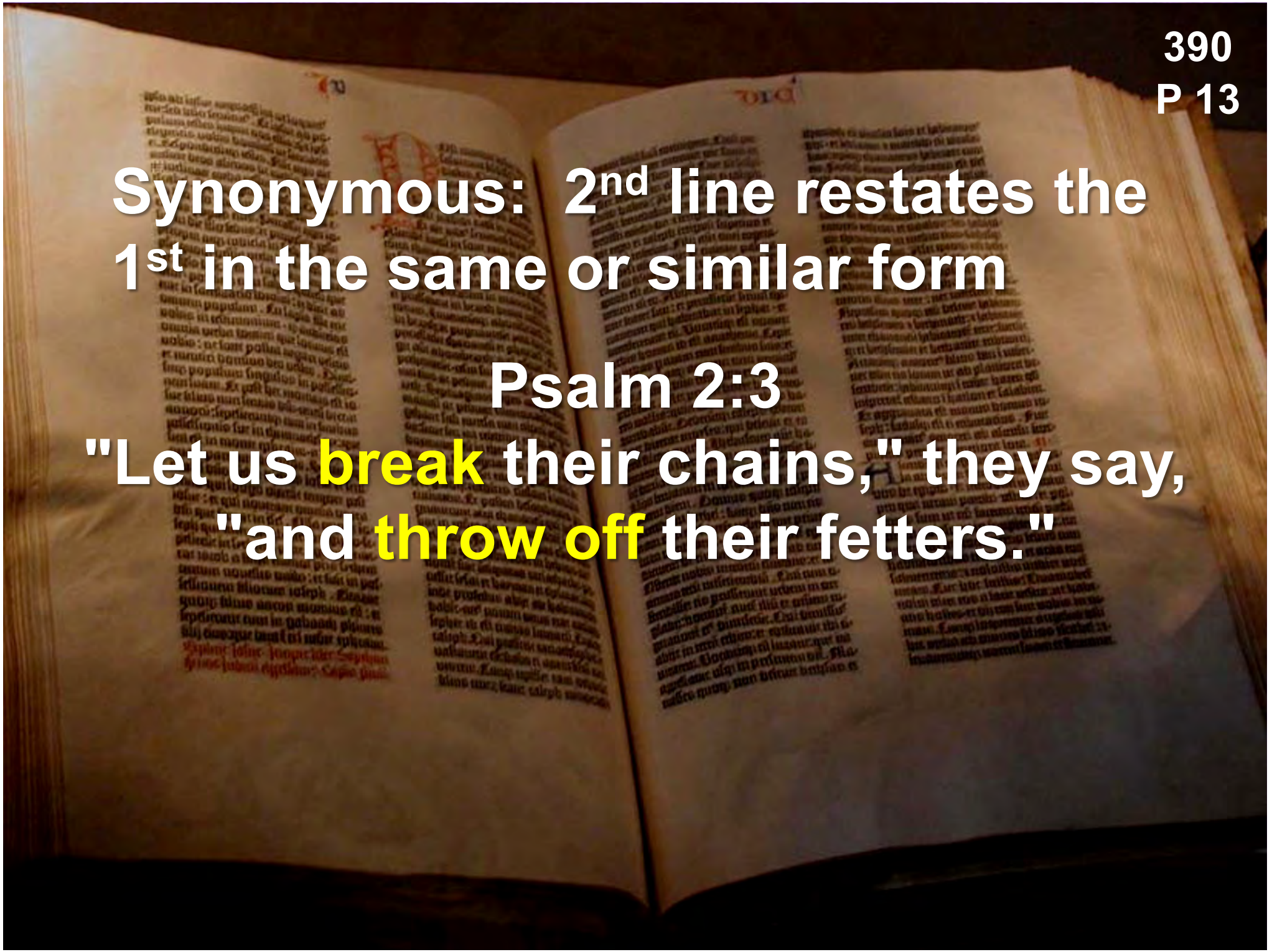
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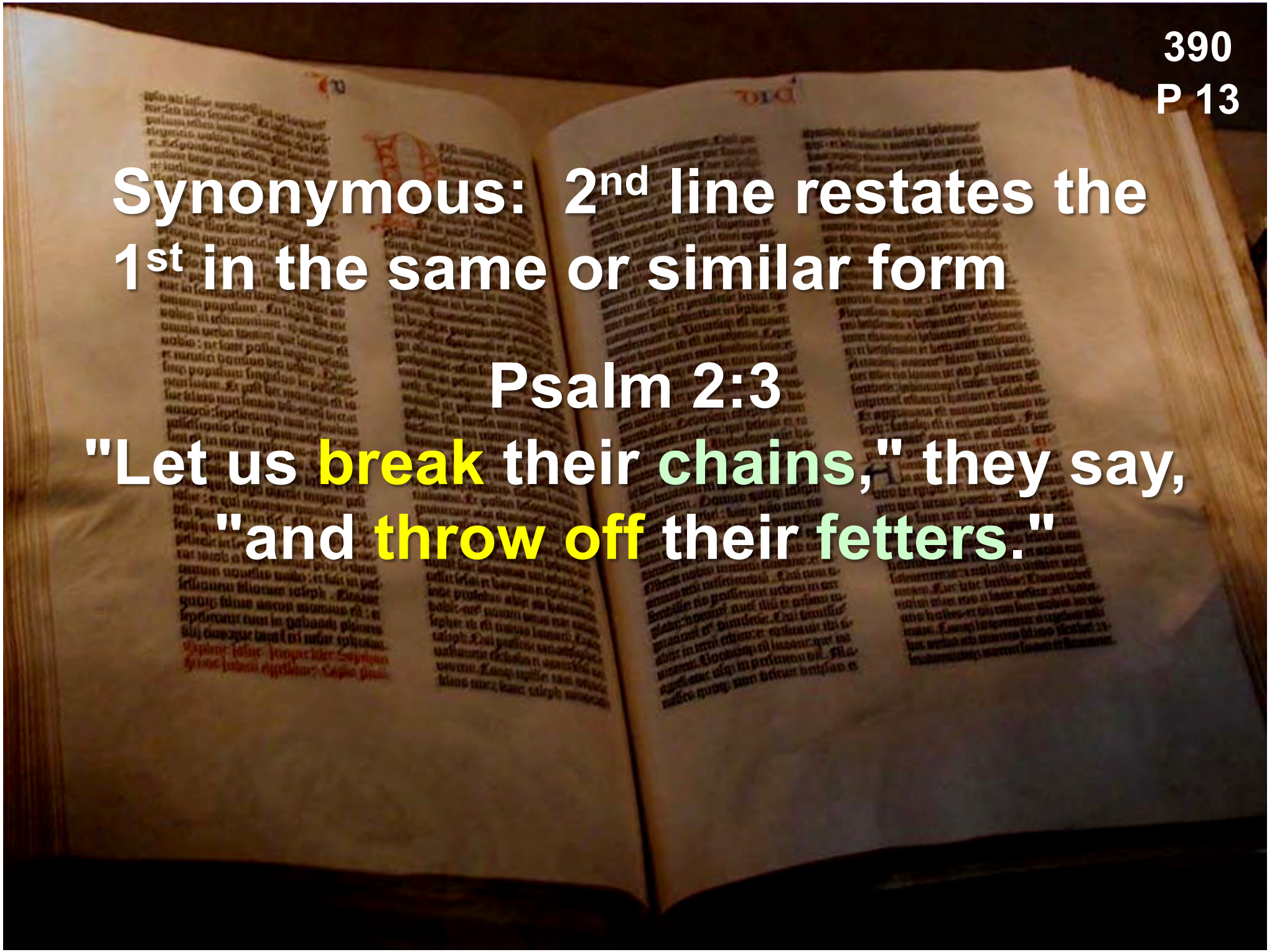
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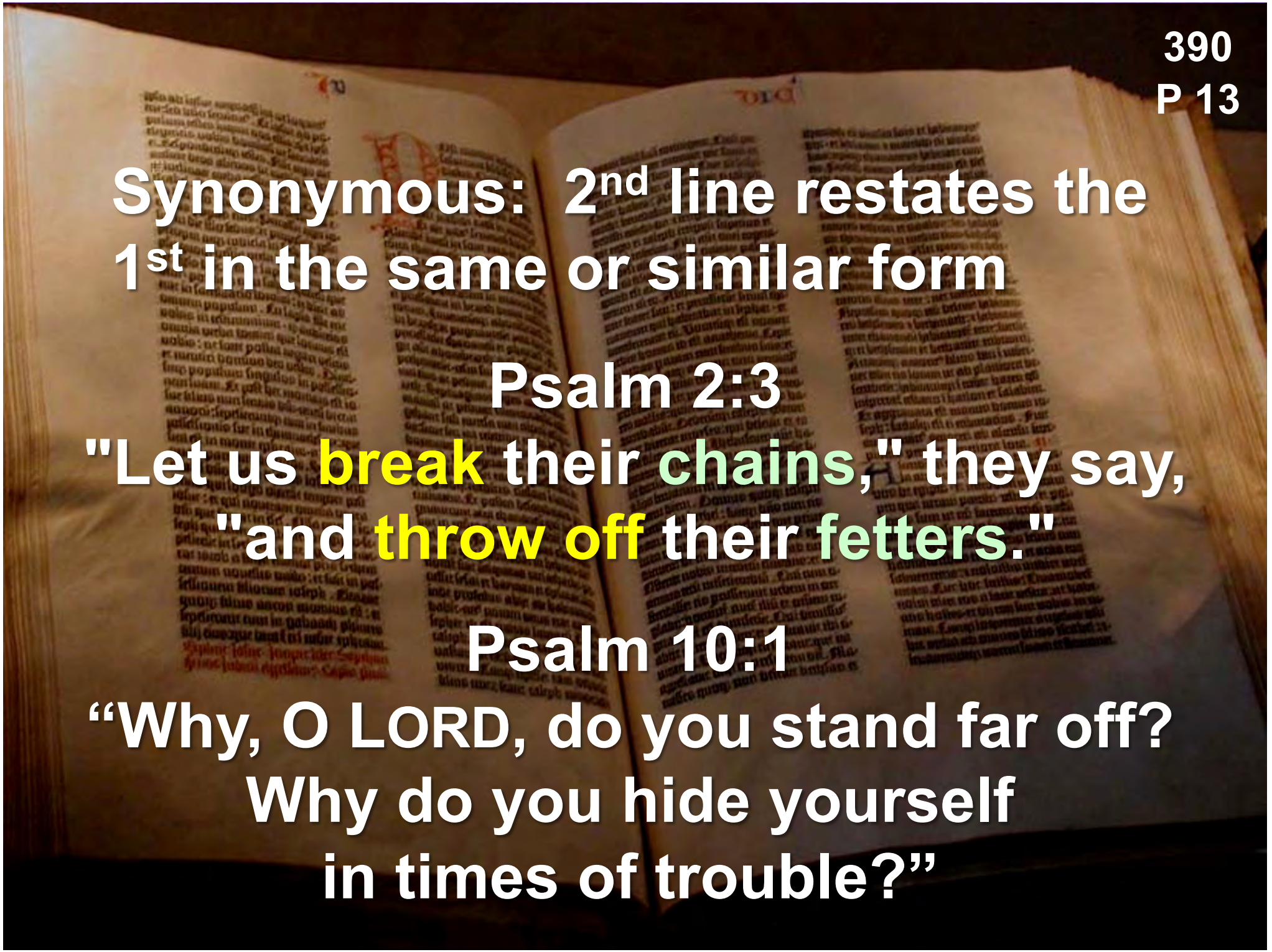
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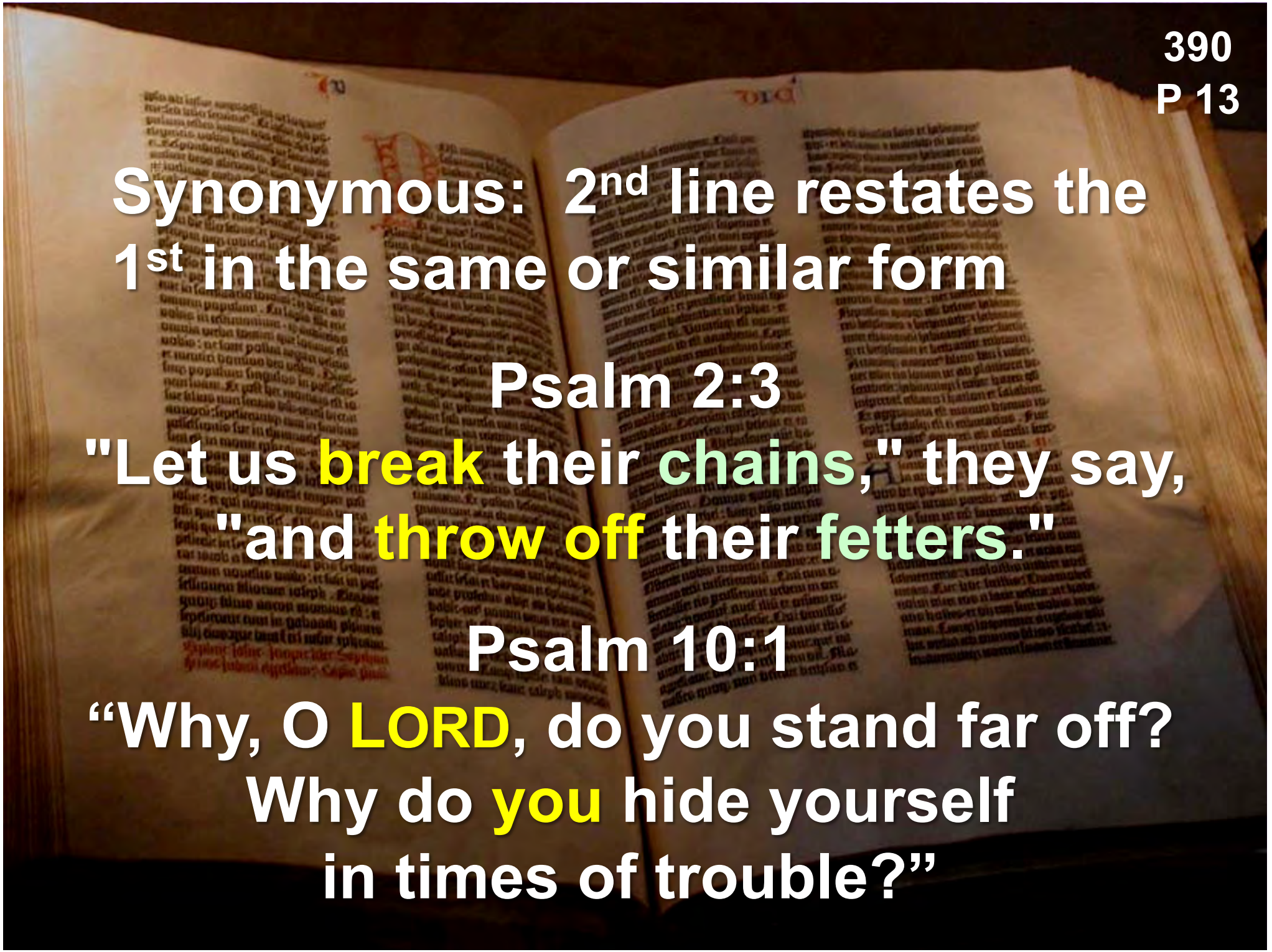
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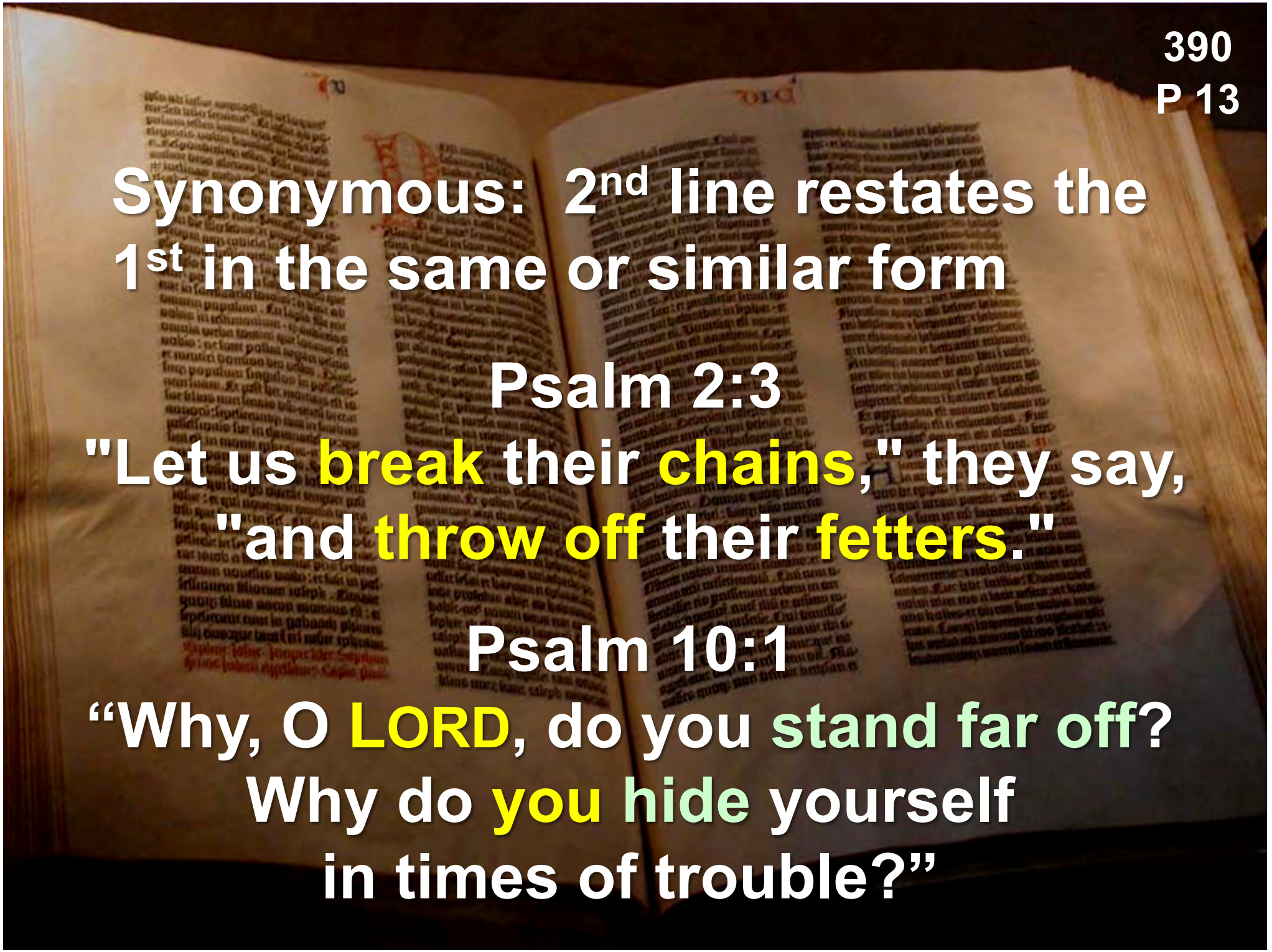
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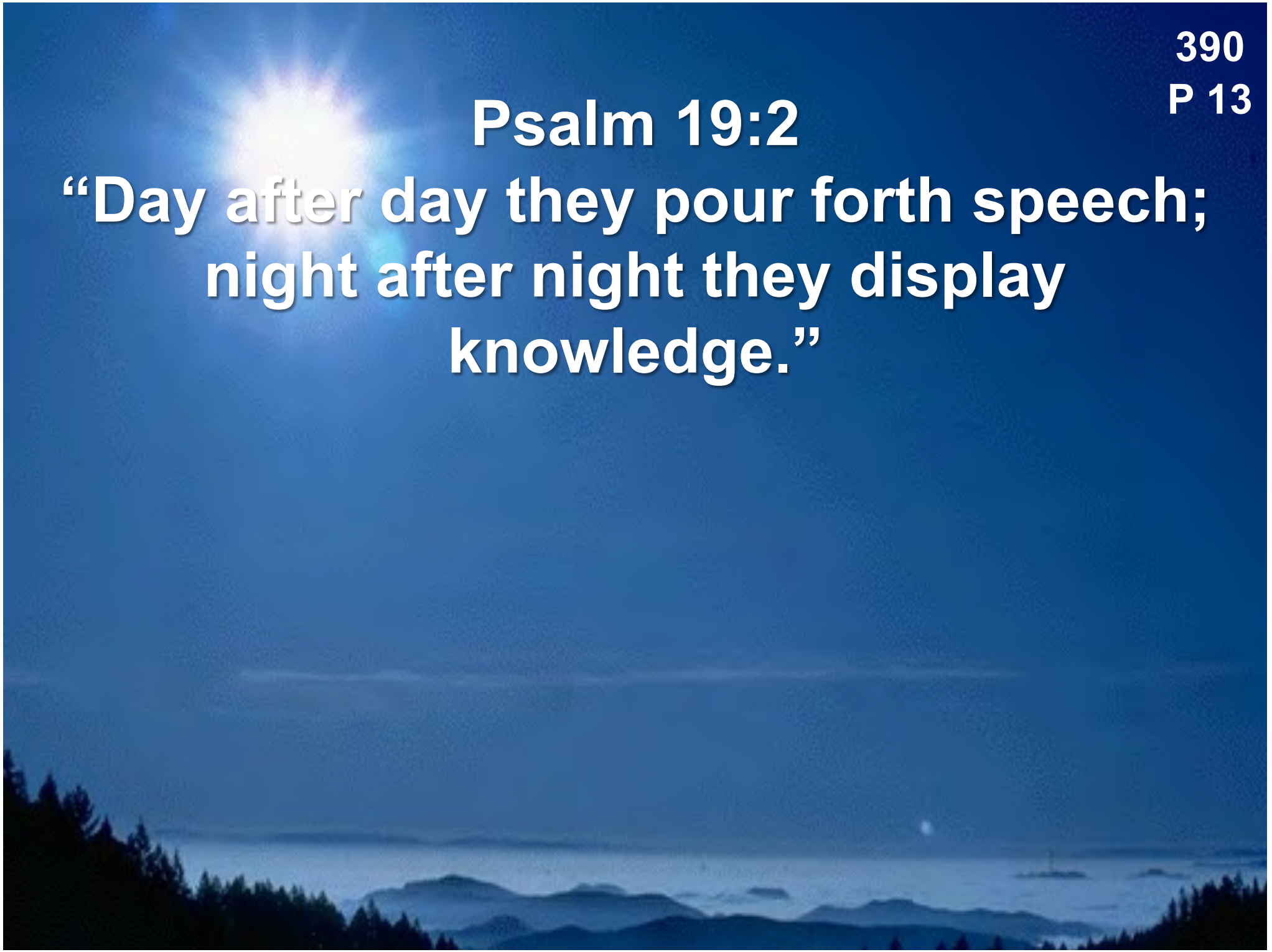
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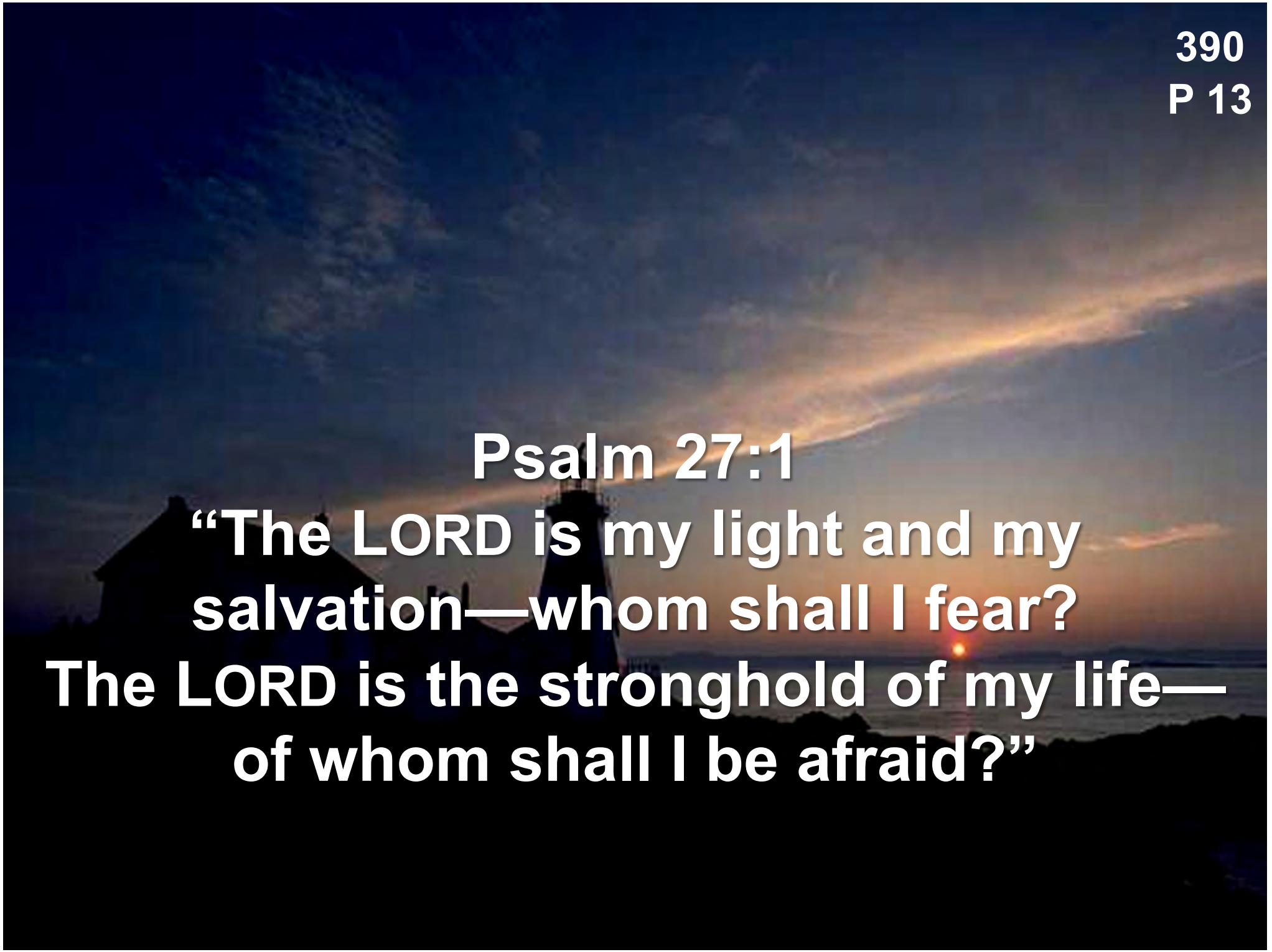
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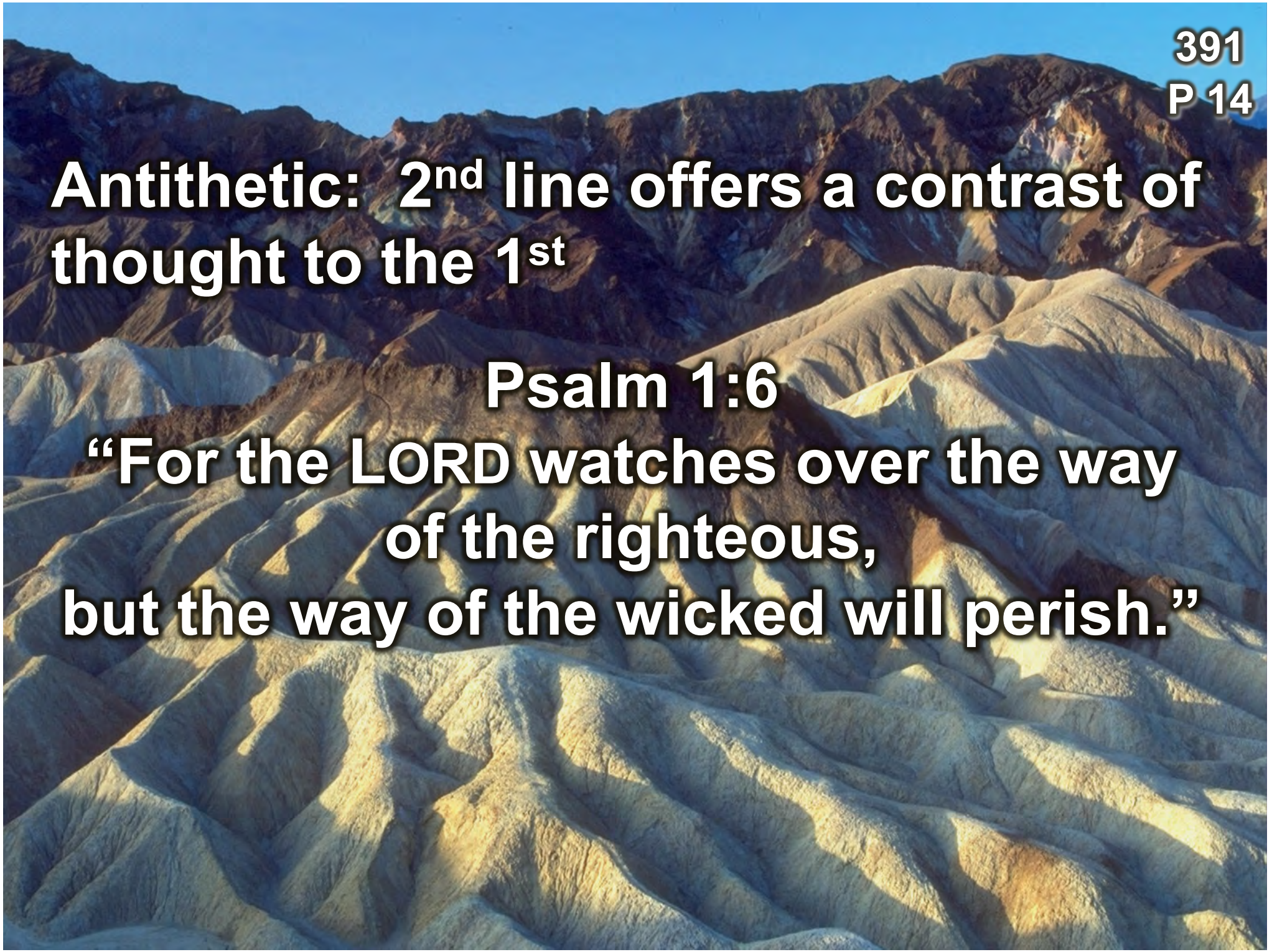

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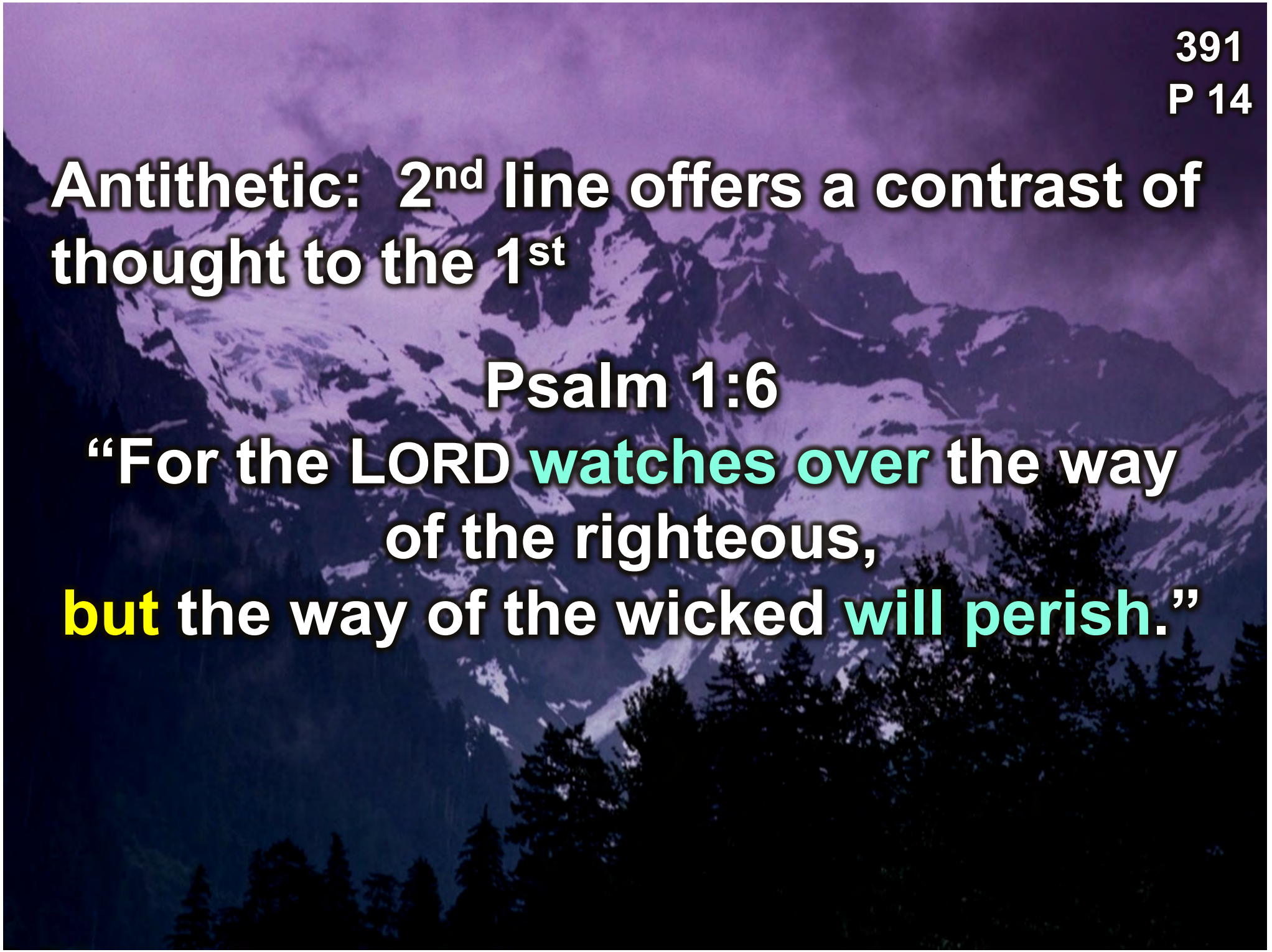
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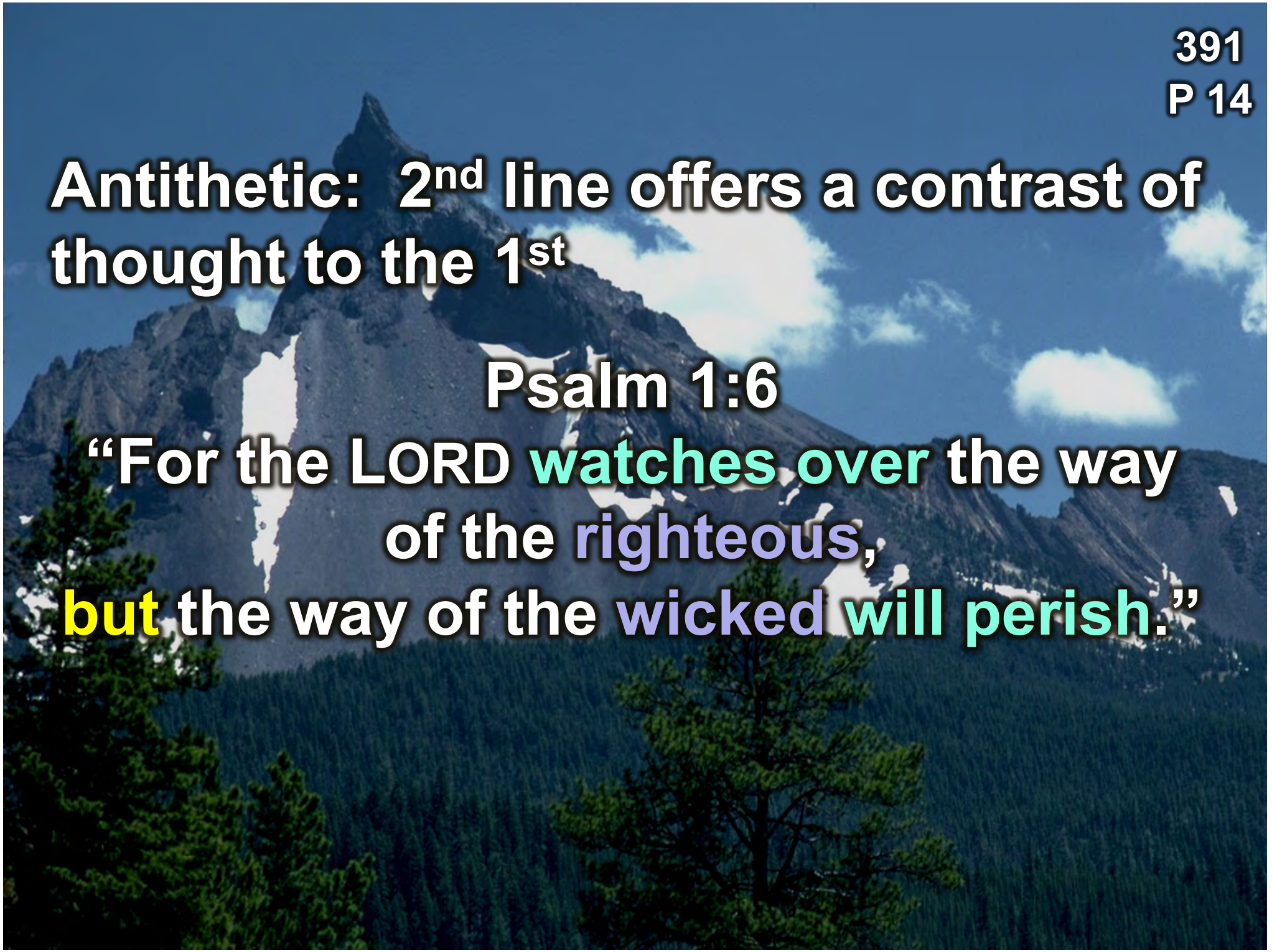
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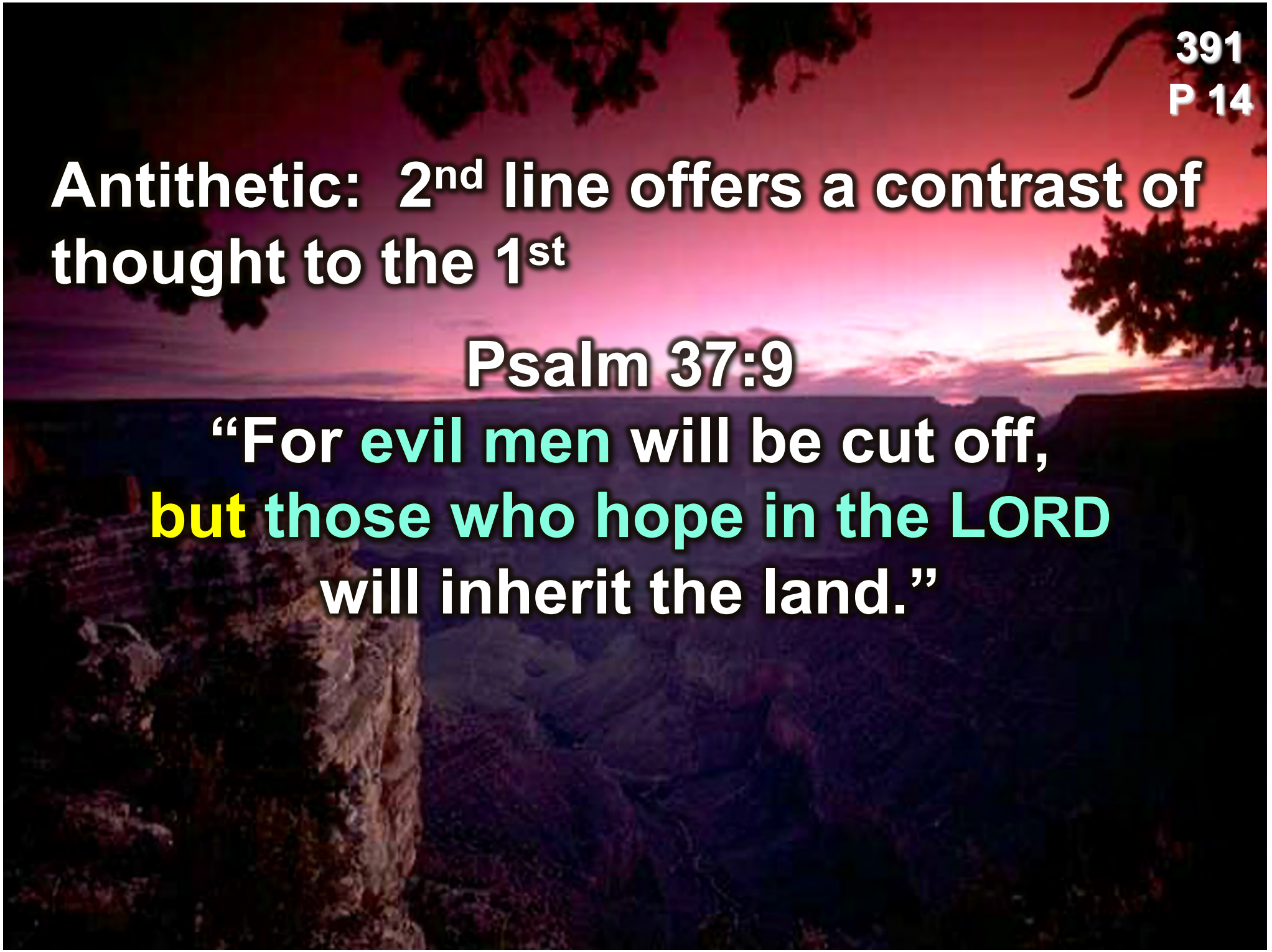




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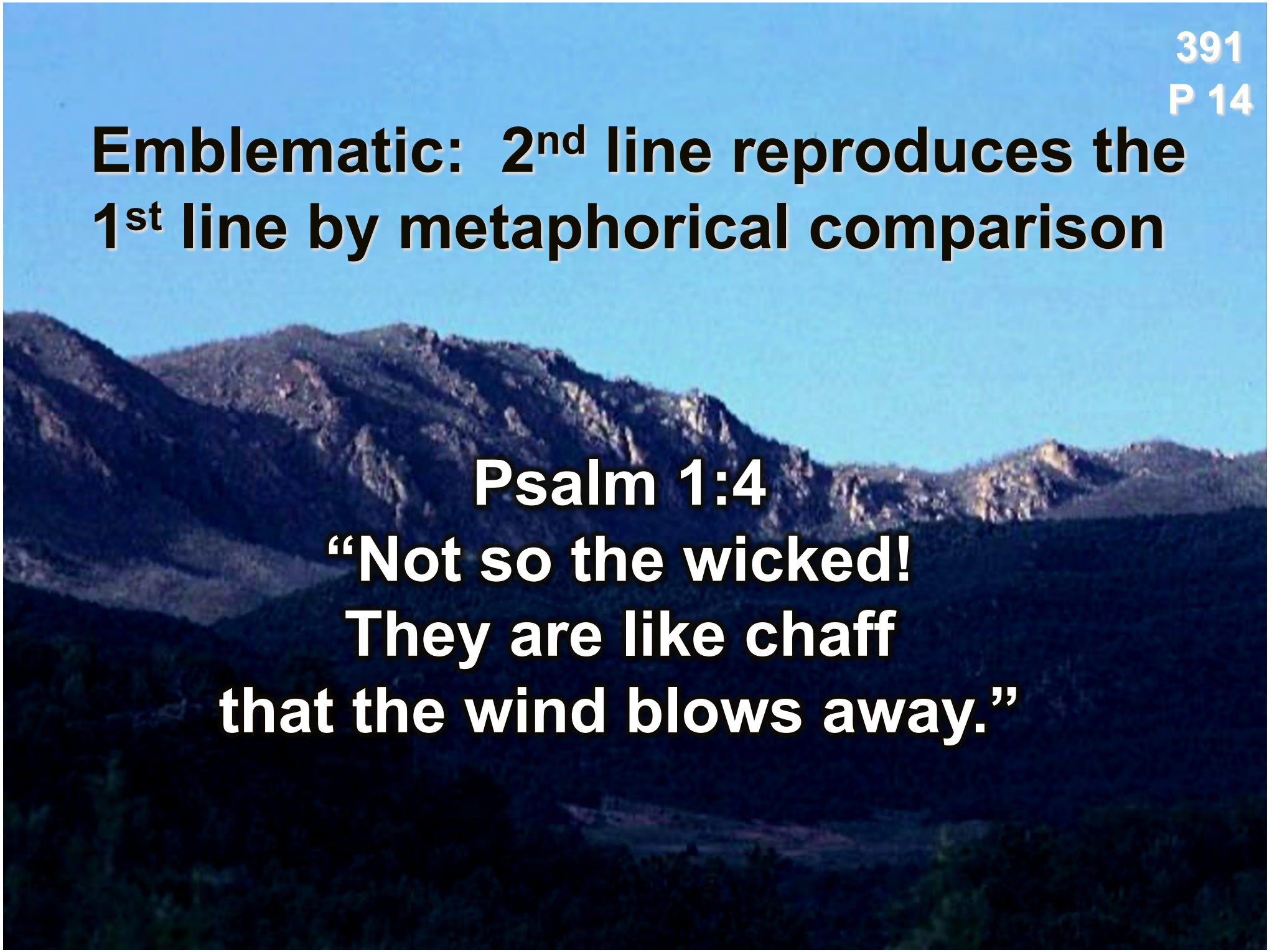


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Emblematic: 2nd line reproduces the 1st line by metaphorical comparison



Psalm 1:4
"Not so the wicked!
They are like chaff
that the wind blows away."



Synthetic (Incomplete with Compensation): 2nd line develops the thought of the 1st line

Psalm 95:3

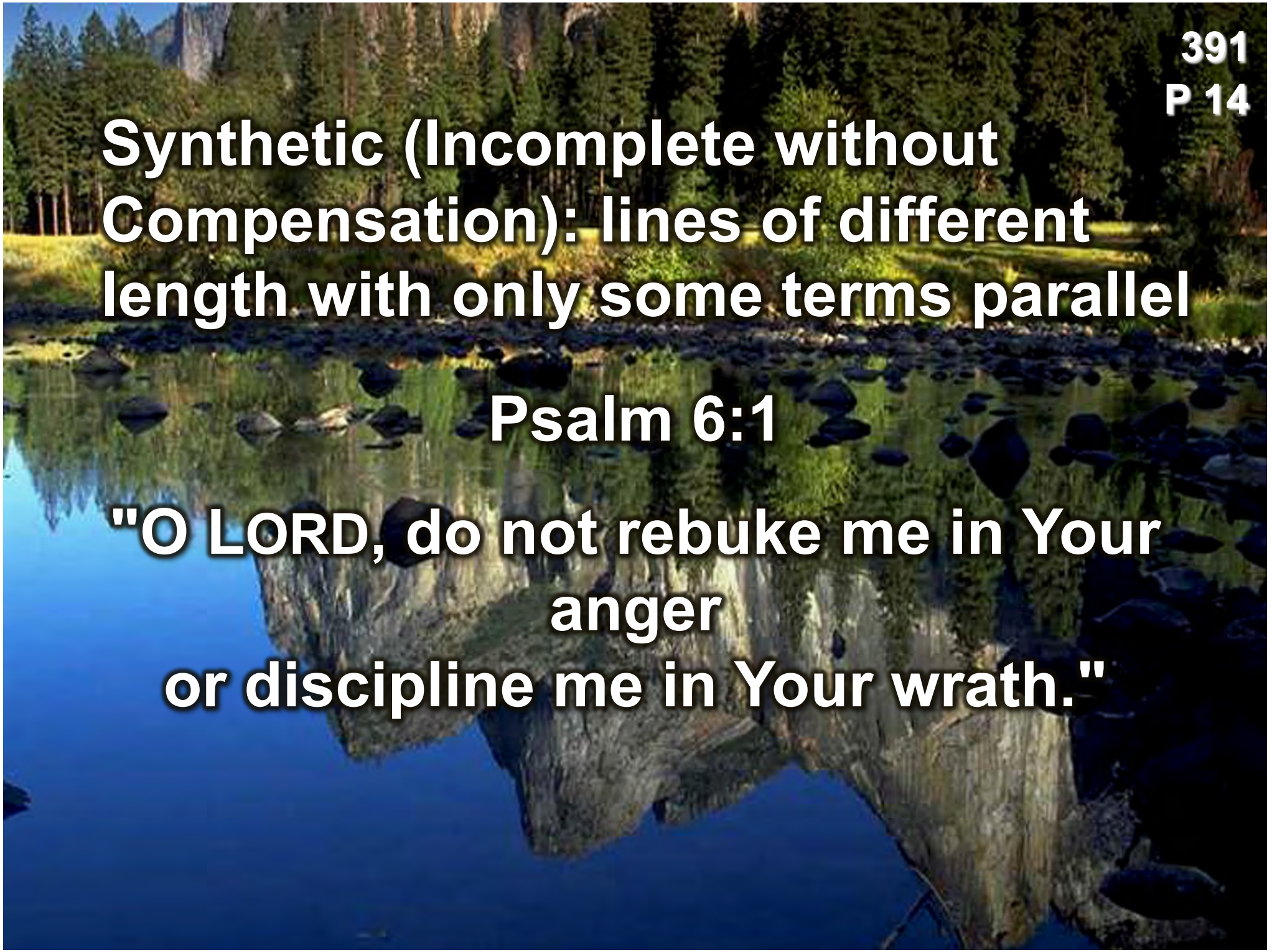
**“For the LORD is the great God,
the great King above all gods.”**

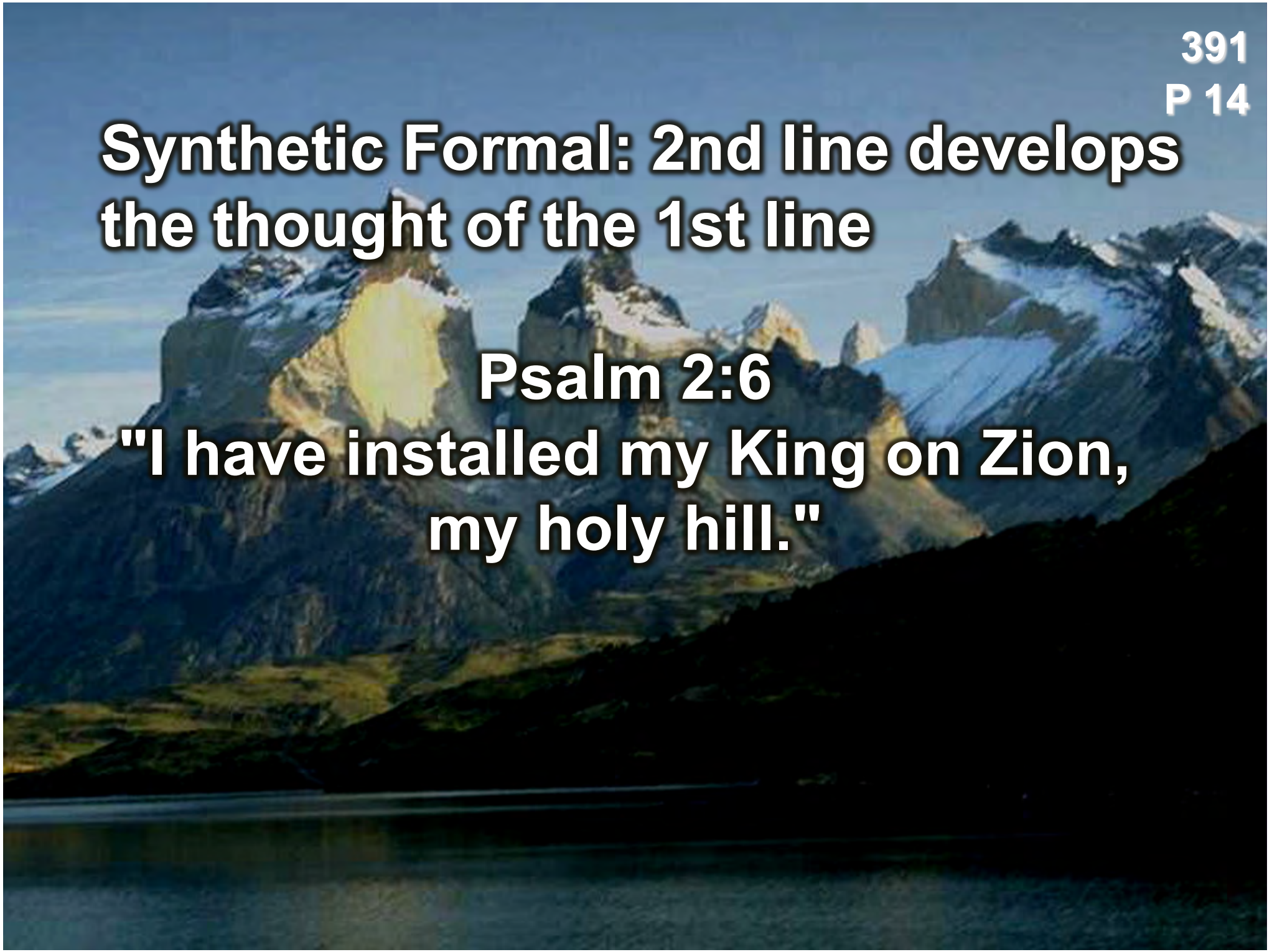
Synthetic Climatic: 2nd line repeats the first, but omits the last term

Psalm 29:1-2

"Ascribe to the LORD, O mighty ones,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory
due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor
of his holiness."


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Synthetic (Incomplete without Compensation): lines of different length with only some terms parallel
Psalm 6:1
"O LORD, do not rebuke me in Your anger
or discipline me in Your wrath."



Synthetic Formal: 2nd line develops the thought of the 1st line

Psalm 2:6
"I have installed my King on Zion,
my holy hill."

PARALLELISM

Similarities & Differences

Two categories of Parallelism :

- Grammatical Parallelism (syntax)
- Semantic Parallelism (meaning of words)

PARALLELISM



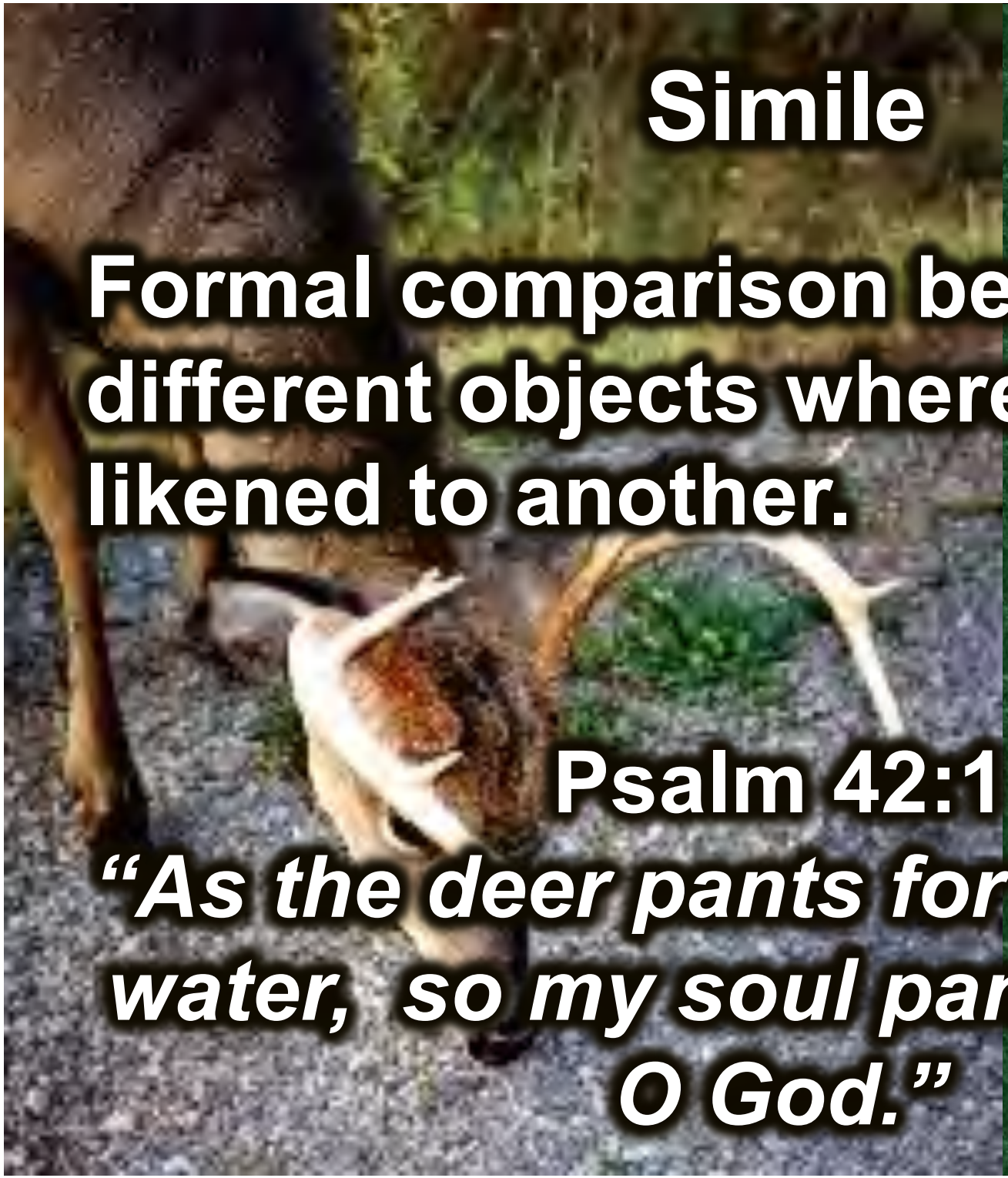
"Then He rebukes them in his anger
And in his wrath he terrifies them."
(Psalm 2:5)

Semantic parallelism:
rebukes and *terrifies*
anger and *wrath* are *parallel in meaning*

Grammatical parallelism:
Verb -- direct object -- prepositional phrase
Prepositional phrase -- verb -- direct object


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Unlocking Figures
of Speech…

Simile



Formal comparison between two different objects where one is likened to another.

Psalm 42:1

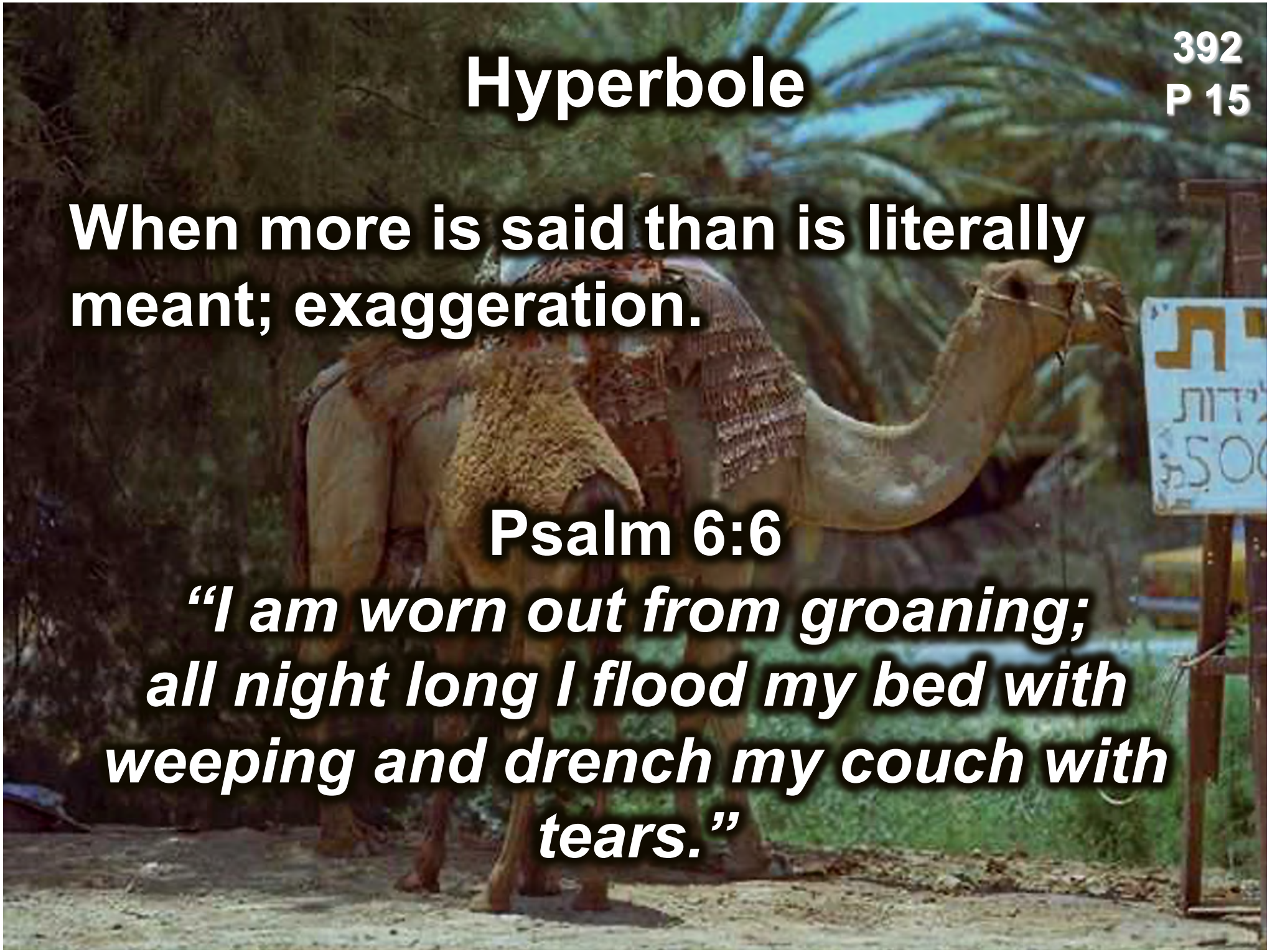
"As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God."

Metaphor

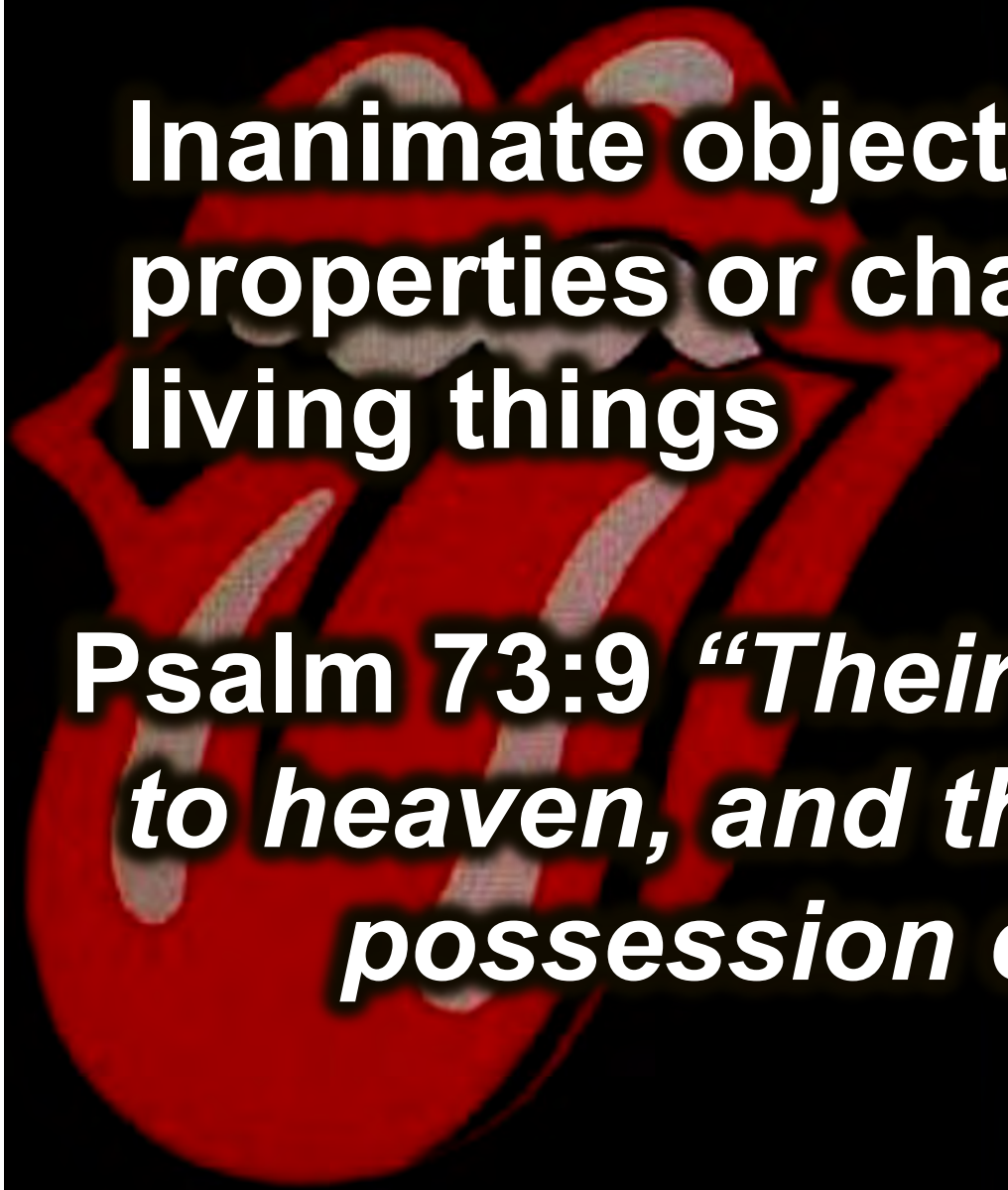
A figure of speech containing an implied comparison between two different objects.

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Hyperbole
When more is said than is literally meant; exaggeration.
Psalm 6:6
“I am worn out from groaning; all night long I flood my bed with weeping and drench my couch with tears.”

Personification



Inanimate objects are given properties or characteristics of living things

Psalm 73:9 *"Their mouths lay claim to heaven, and their tongues take possession of the earth."*

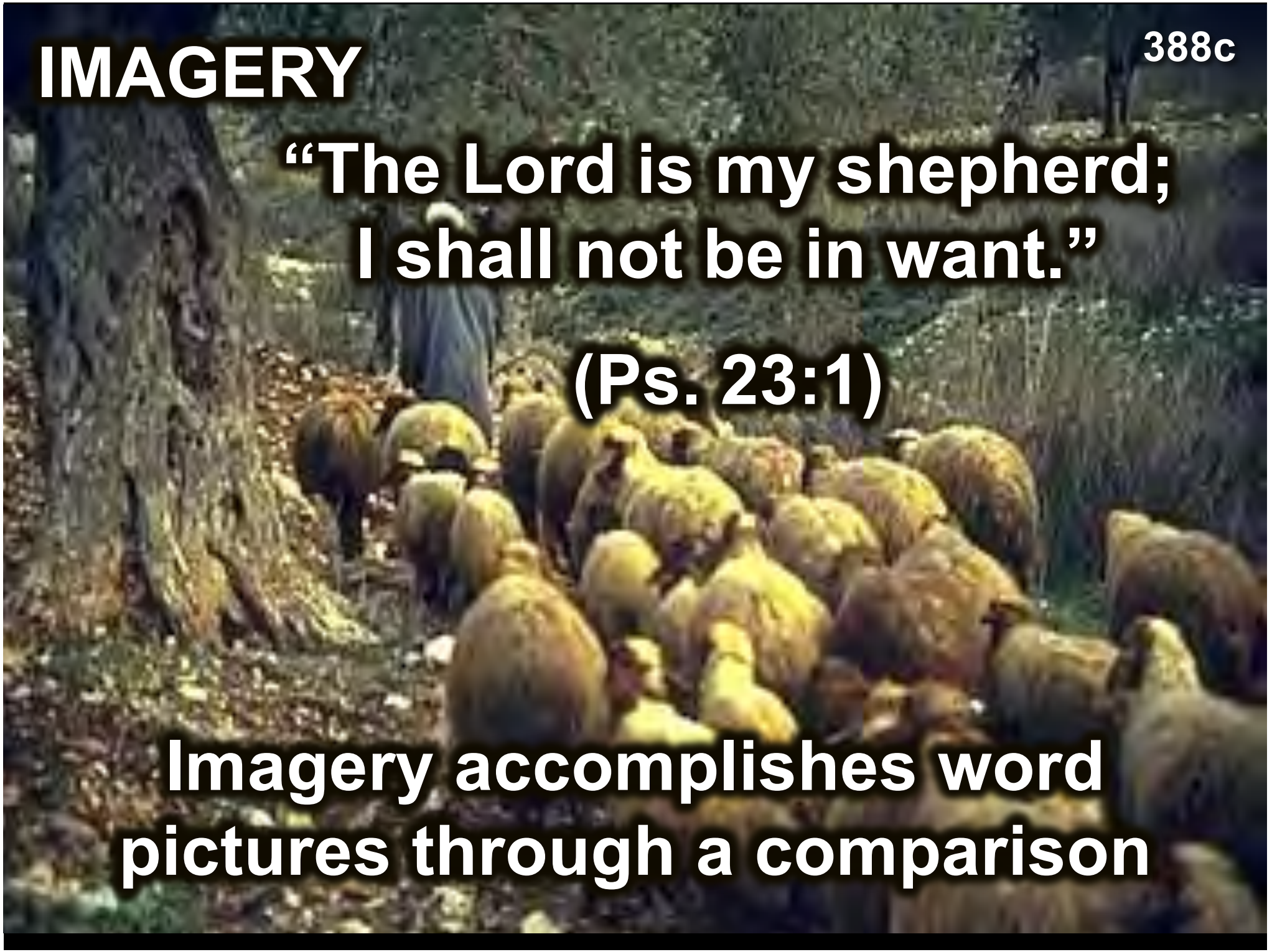
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Psalm 137:5

"If I forget you, O Jerusalem, may my right hand forget its skill."




IMAGERY
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“The Lord is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.”
(Ps. 23:1)
Imagery accomplishes word pictures through a comparison

What kind of animal are you?



Psalm 23

[1]The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.
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You're a sheep


He leads me
beside still
waters

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Psalm 23 Exegetical Outline

I. The response of David to God's *provision* & *protection* [like a shepherd for his sheep] was comfort instead of fear (1-4).

A. The way the LORD satisfied David was by *providing* all of his needs (1-3).

1. The LORD *provided quality physical* food, rest and water that satisfied David (1-2) .

2. The LORD *provided spiritual refreshment* that restored David's soul (3a) .

3. The LORD *provided guidance in holiness* to *protect* His own name (3b) .

B. The response of David to the LORD *protecting* him in dangerous situations was a lack of fear (4).

"You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies" (v. 5)



Sheep

or



Banqueting Victor

"You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies" (v. 5)



"Banquet" of grass

or





Literal banquet

Psalm 23 Exegetical Outline

II. The **manner** in which God showed His goodness to David was by exalting him like honoring a banqueting victor before his enemies (5).

"You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies"

A. The LORD protected & exalted David like a banqueting victor before humbled enemies (5a).

"You anoint my head with oil"

B. The LORD honored David (5b).

"My cup overflows"

C. The LORD provided more blessings than David could possibly enjoy (5c).

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What is dwelling "in the house of the Lord forever"?



or





Living in heavenly house

Tabernacle worship

Psalm 23 Exegetical Outline

III. The response of David to God's continued goodness was to commit to commune with the LORD at the tabernacle the rest of his life (6).

A. David expressed confidence that the LORD would show goodness towards him the rest of his life (6a).

B. David's response was to commit to commune with God at the tabernacle the rest of his life (6b).

Psalm 23 Exegetical Outline

Exegetical Idea: The response of David to God's goodness shown in providing for and exalting him was to fearlessly commune with God at the tabernacle the rest of his life.

I. The response of David to God's *provision* and *protection* [like a shepherd does for his sheep] was comfort instead of fear (1-4).

II. The manner in which God showed His goodness to David was by exalting him like honoring a banqueting victor before his enemies (5).

III. The response of David to God's continued goodness was to commit to commune with the LORD at the tabernacle the rest of his life (6).

Psalm 23 Purpose & Outlines

Desired Listener Response:
The listeners will worship God without fear.

Exegetical Idea:
The response of David to God's goodness shown in providing for and exalting him was to fearlessly commune with God at the tabernacle the rest of his life.



Main Idea:
God's good to you, so publicly worship Him without fear.

Guilds and Singers

- David was first to organize musical guilds for Temple service (1 Chron. 15:6-28; 16:4-43; 23:1-5; 25:1-31)

- Temple choirs or guilds are often noted in biblical and extra biblical literature



Superscriptions

- Musical Instruments
- Musical Headings
- Melody Indicators



Musical Instruments

Strings	Lyre (Ps. 33:2) Harp (Ps. 144:9) Ten-stringed (Ps. 144:9) Lute (1 Sam. 18:6)
Percussion	Timbrels and cymbals (Ps. 150:5; 1 Chron.16:5, 42)
Brass	Trumpets (Ps. 98:6) Horns (Ps.150:3) Pipes (Ps.150:4)



Musical Headings

"For the music director" (found in 55 Psalms)	Refers to the choir director; designates a psalm deposited in the Temple for singing
"For the sons of Korah"	Indicates such psalms formed music of this family of Temple singers



Musical Headings

"Jeduthun"	Meaning disputed
"Neginot"	Translated "stringed instruments"
"Nehilot"	Refers to flutes used at lamentations
"Alamot"	Probably to be played upon lyres tuned to the voice of maidens



Musical Headings

“Sheminit”	Refers to the eighth stage of some ritual
"Gittith"	For the winepress or vintage melody
"Selah"	Marking places where something else was said or played



Melody Indicators

"Set to Shoshanim"	To the lilies of testimony
"For Mahalat"	Could be tunes, or liturgical indicators
"To the hind or the Morning"	Tune, but ritual acts involved
"Do not destroy"	Ritual acts
"For the occasion of a death of a son"	The occasion of the death of a son



The Shema

"Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength."

(Deuteronomy 6:5)

Day 1: Psalm 24

“The earth is the LORD's and everything in it, the world and all who live in it …

Who may ascend the hill of the LORD? …

Lift up your heads … that the King of glory may come in. Who is the King of glory? The LORD Almighty – he is the King of glory.”

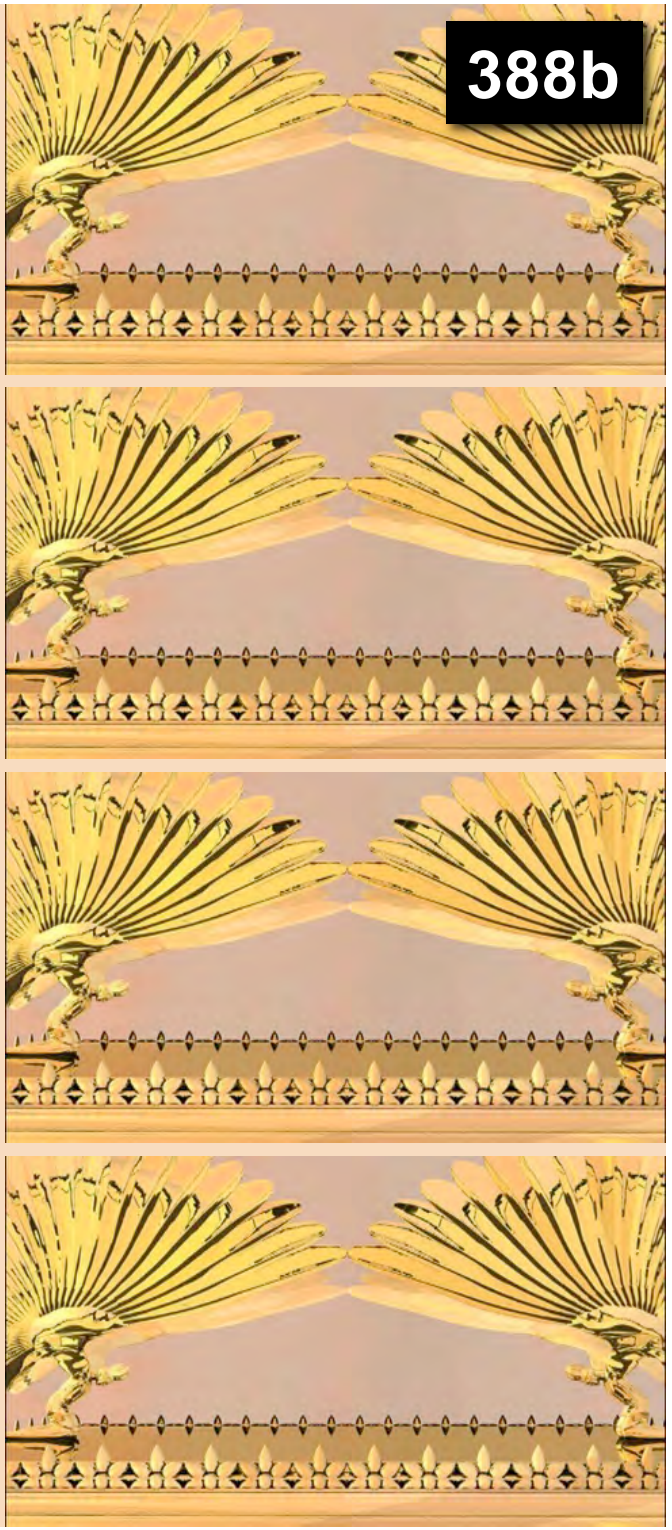


Feast of Tabernacles: Psalm 29

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"Ascribe to the LORD, O mighty ones, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due to his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness…"



Processions: Psalm 68

“Your procession has come into view, O God, the procession of my God and King into the sanctuary…”



David and the Ark — Ademollo — c. 1816

Attributes of God

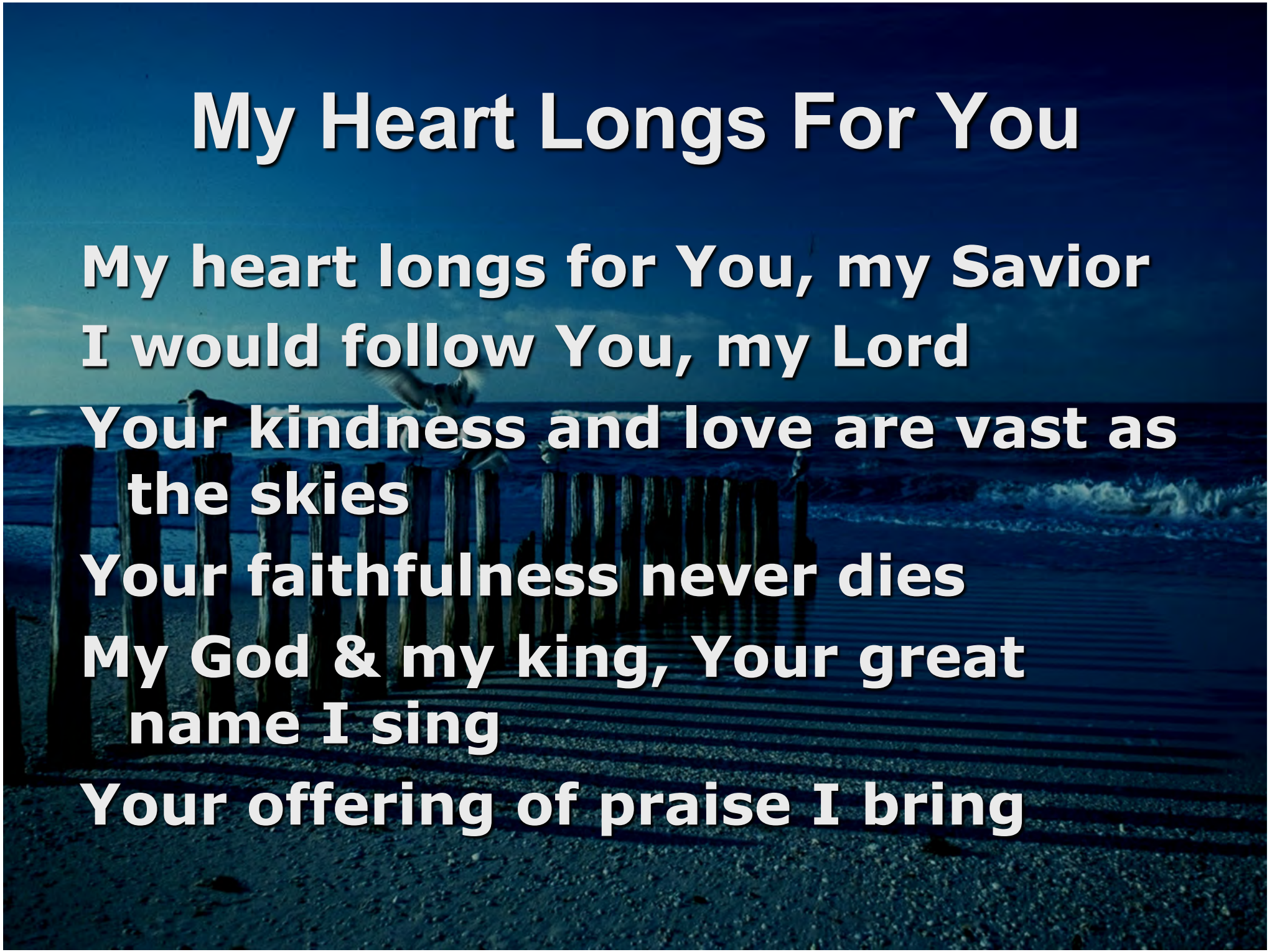
Creator	**"When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars which you have set in place…" (Psalm 8:3)**
King of glory	**"Ascribe the the LORD, O mighty ones, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.** **Ascribe to the LORD the glory due to his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness" (Psalm 29:1-2)**

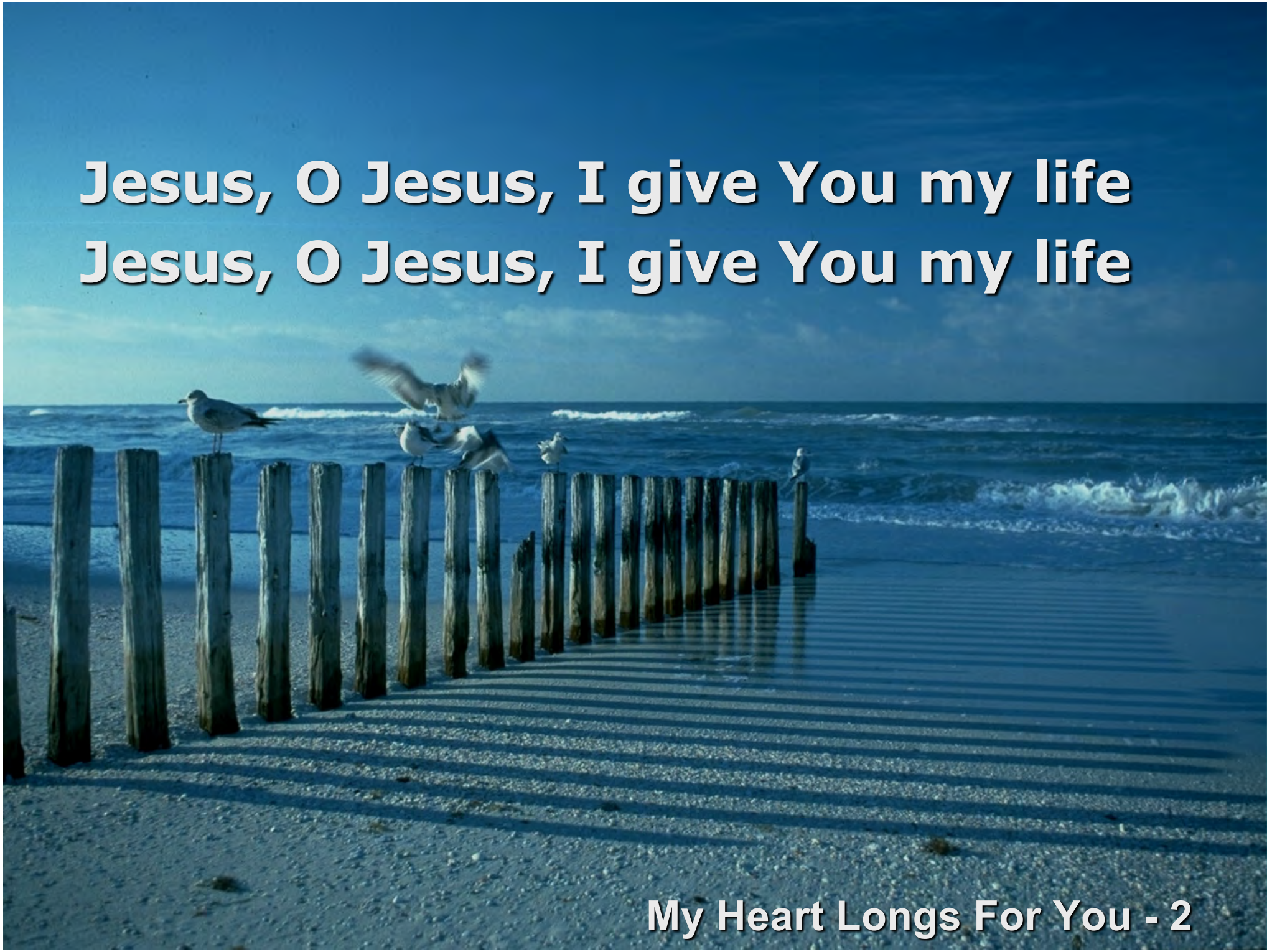
Hope for the Afterlife

"Are your wonders known in the place of darkness…" (Psalm 88:12)

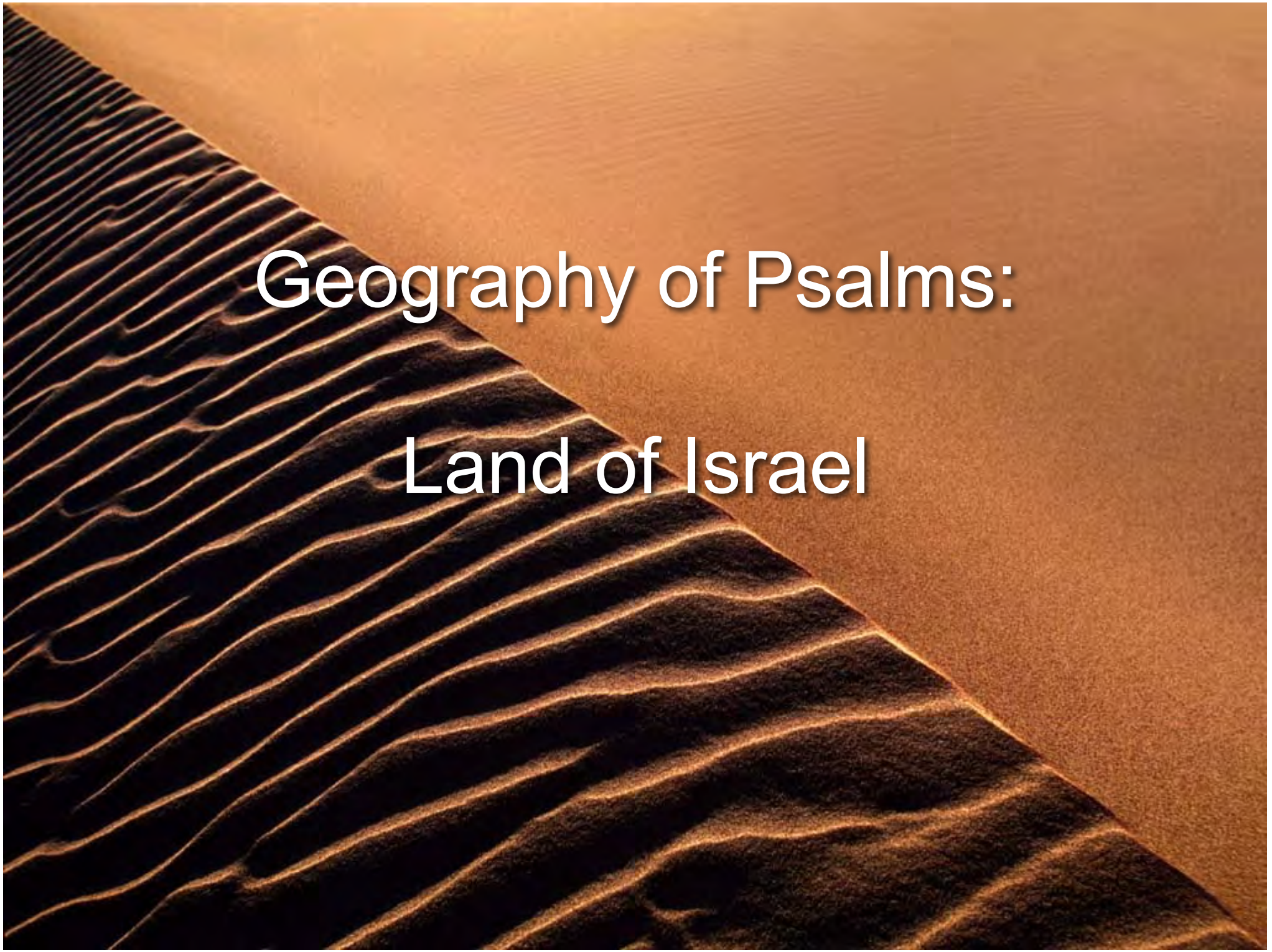
"If I go to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there" (Psalm 139:8)

"But God will redeem my life from the grave; he will surely take me to himself" (Psalm 49:15)


My Heart Longs For You
My heart longs for You, my Savior
I would follow You, my Lord
Your kindness and love are vast as the skies
Your faithfulness never dies
My God & my king, Your great name I sing
Your offering of praise I bring


Jesus, O Jesus, I give You my life
Jesus, O Jesus, I give You my life
My Heart Longs For You - 2


My soul contemplates Your glory
I worship in holy awe
In quietness and in confident trust
I rest in all that You are
I'll sing to the world, Your glory
and grace
Until I behold Your face
My Heart Longs For You - 3


Geography of Psalms:
Land of Israel

Occasion

- Individual Cultic Activities

  - Fulfillment of Religious Obligations
  - Times of illness and disease
  - Legal Procedures
  - Atonement for sin
  - Fulfilling special vows, presenting special offerings

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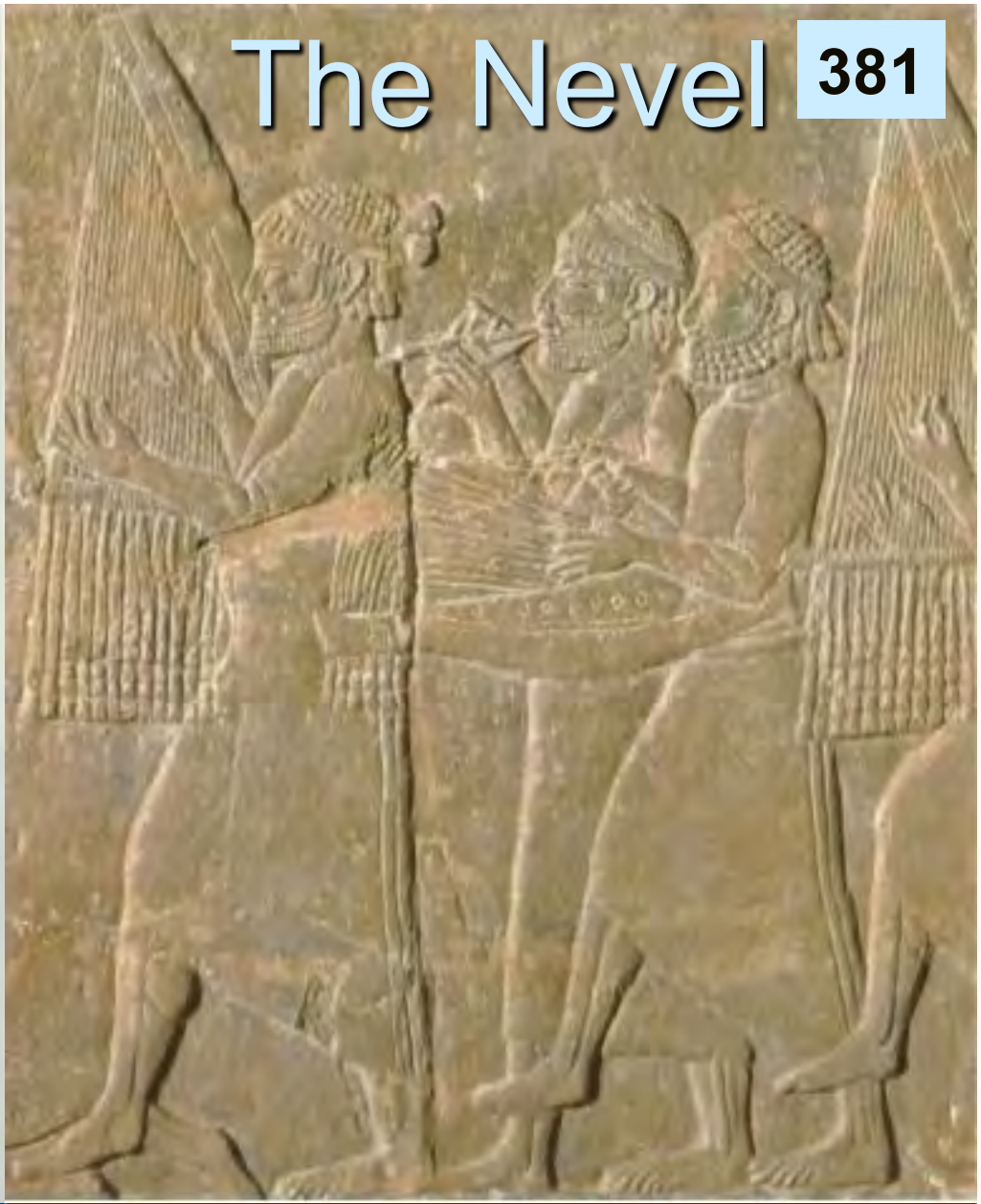
- Communal Cultic Activities

  - Regular celebrations
  - Special services

The Nevel



One version of the ancient Harp was the "nevel", reconstructed here in the Music Museum at Haifa, Israel.



Elamite musicians with harps and double pipes



The Shofar

A Jew in Jerusalem blows a "shofar" or ram's horn, used in ancient Israel to summon the people on military and religious occasions.

Review

- **Key Word:** Praise
- **Key Verse:** Ps 111:1
- **Phrase:** Praising & Petitioning God
- **Summary Statement:**

  Praise and petition God for who He is and what He has done in providing wisdom, protection, Messianic fulfillment, and His Word to be humble before Him in trust and thanksgiving

Overview

- Introduction
- What place did the Psalms have in OT times?
- How did the Israelites worship God through the Psalms?
- How are the Psalms relevant for Christians today?

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a) Worship under the new covenant
b) The value of Psalms for Christians
c) Comparison between Psalms and Hymns
d) Contrasts Psalms with contemporary songs
e) Psalms help us worship holistically

a) Worship under the new covenant

"Old Testament types give way to… Christ's priesthood, sacrifice, and intercession supersede the entire Mosaic system for putting away sin… These changes were momentous, but the pattern of praise, thanks, desire, trust, purity, and service, which constitutes true worship, continues unchanged to this day."

b) The Value of the Psalms

1. They remind us of God's covenantal *love* (*hesed*) & faithfulness.

2. They inspire believers with *hope* of the Kingdom of God.

3. They reflect *faith* in recounting experiences of God's people.

c) Comparison Between Psalms & Hymns

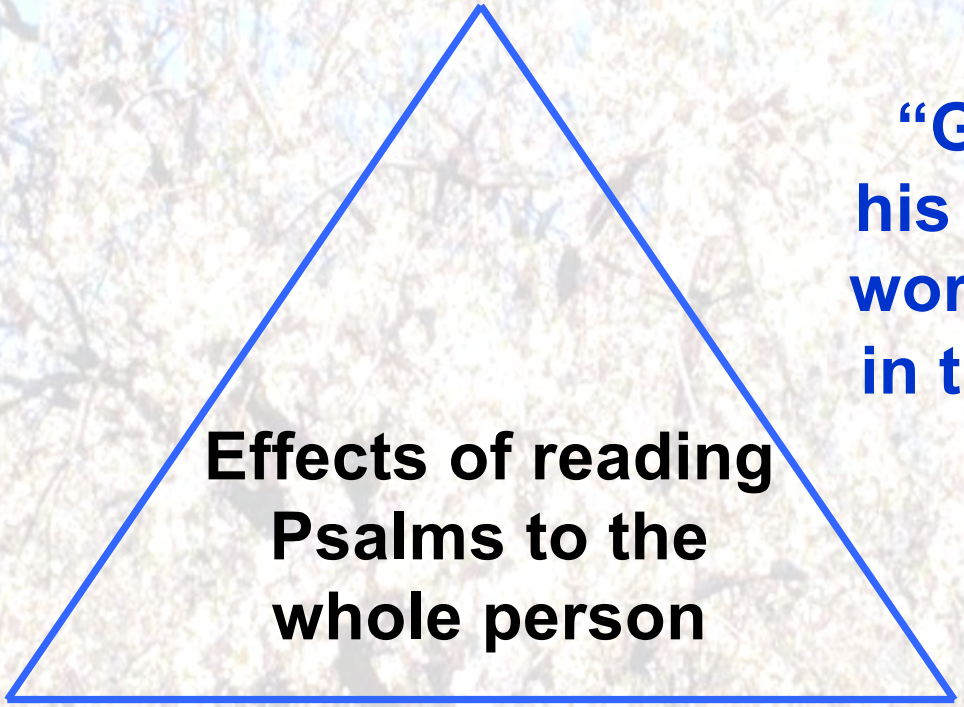
Reference	Psalms	Hymns
Psalm 92	**Praise** Call to worship Reasons to praise God	Praise the Lord who Reigns Above
Psalm 51	**Lament** Confession of sin Plea to God for help	Just As I Am
Psalm 78	**Remembrance** "Wonderful acts" of God	How Great Thou Art

d) Contrasts Between Psalms and Contemporary Songs

Psalms	Contemporary Songs
Emphasis on message	Emphasis on mood/melody
Focus more on theology	Focus more on anthropology
Praising God for who He is and what He does in all situations	Praising God for the good He has done / victorious situations.
More vivid about life's experience	More vague about life's experience

e) Psalms Help Us Worship Holistically

Inform our Mind (Knowing who God is and what He has done)



"God is Spirit and his worshipers must worship in Spirit and in truth" (John 4:24)

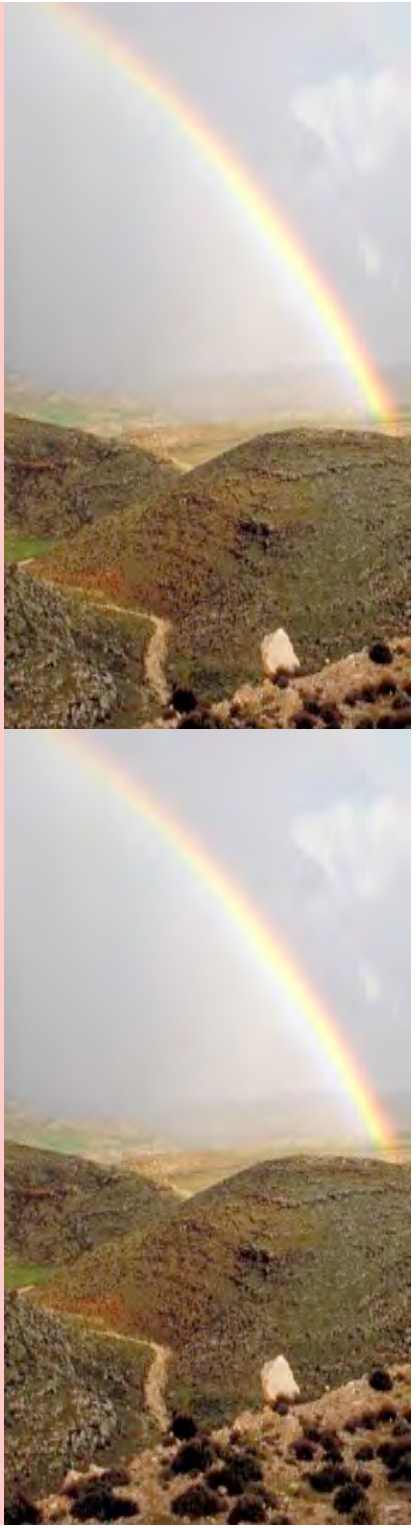
Direct our Will (Obey wholeheartedly)

Engage our Emotions (Correctly respond in different situations)

CONCLUSION

James McClendon:

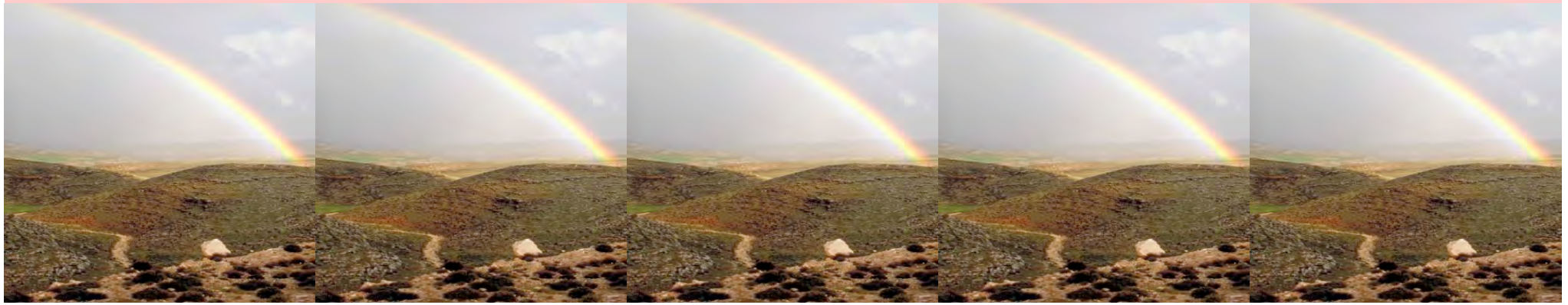
"Worship is the practice of interactive creaturely response to what God does and requires and promises: it is neither human manipulation nor God-magic, but it is two-sided conversation, dialogue, with the God of Grace."



The Appeal of the Psalms

They are poetry:

- **A form of art**
- **Pleasurable**
- **Appeal directly to the whole person or congregation**



Applications

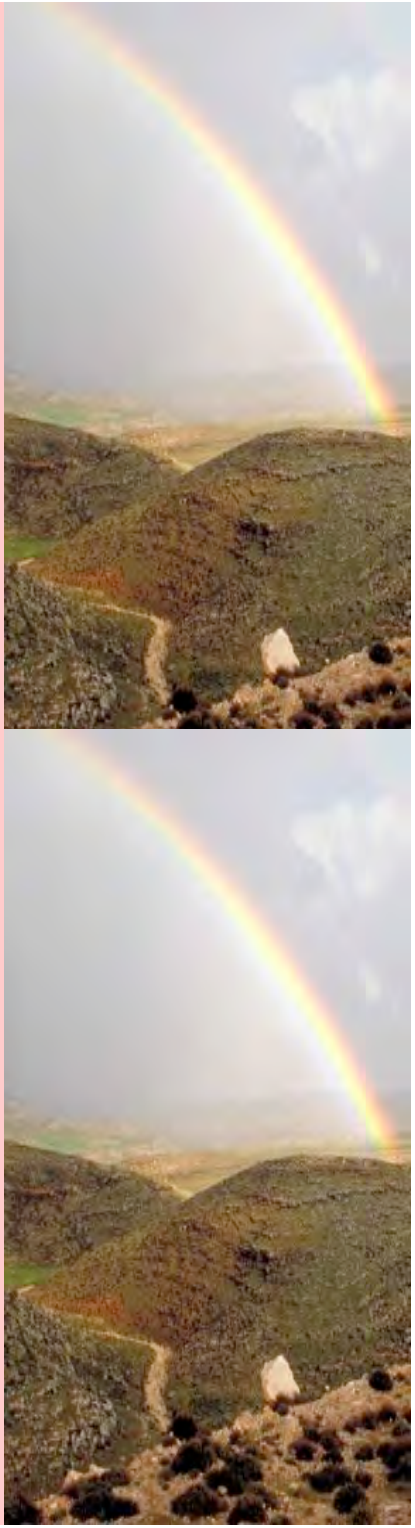
Note:

1. **Setting**
2. **Subject / type**
3. **Structure**

Know who God is and what He has done

Our response (based on Romans 12:1):

1. **Sacrifice**
2. **Service**



He Has Made Me Glad
(Psalm 119:24)



I will enter his gates with
thanksgiving
in my heart,
I will enter his courts with praise.
I will say this is the day
that the Lord has made,
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.
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Be Praising



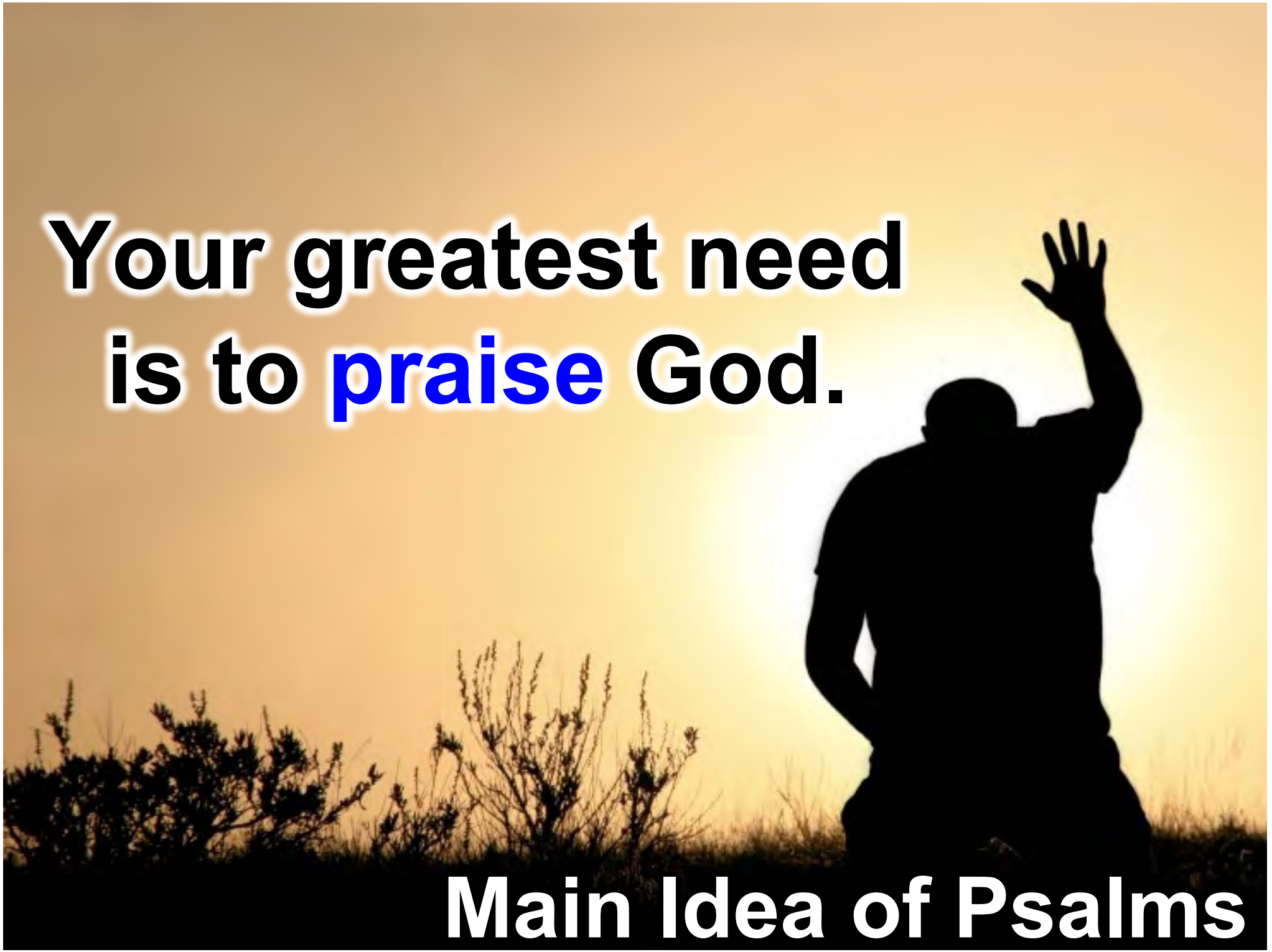
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What do you need most? (relating to God)



- Giving?
- Church?
- Evangelism?
- Obey God?
- Read Bible?
- Prayer?


PSALMS


Your greatest need
is to praise God.
Main Idea of Psalms



THE PSALMS

Songs of Worship for the Ages

Key Word

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Praise

Psalms

Theme

Praise and petition God

Psalms

Key Verse

"Praise the LORD. I will extol the LORD with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly" (Psalm 111:1).

Psalms is unique

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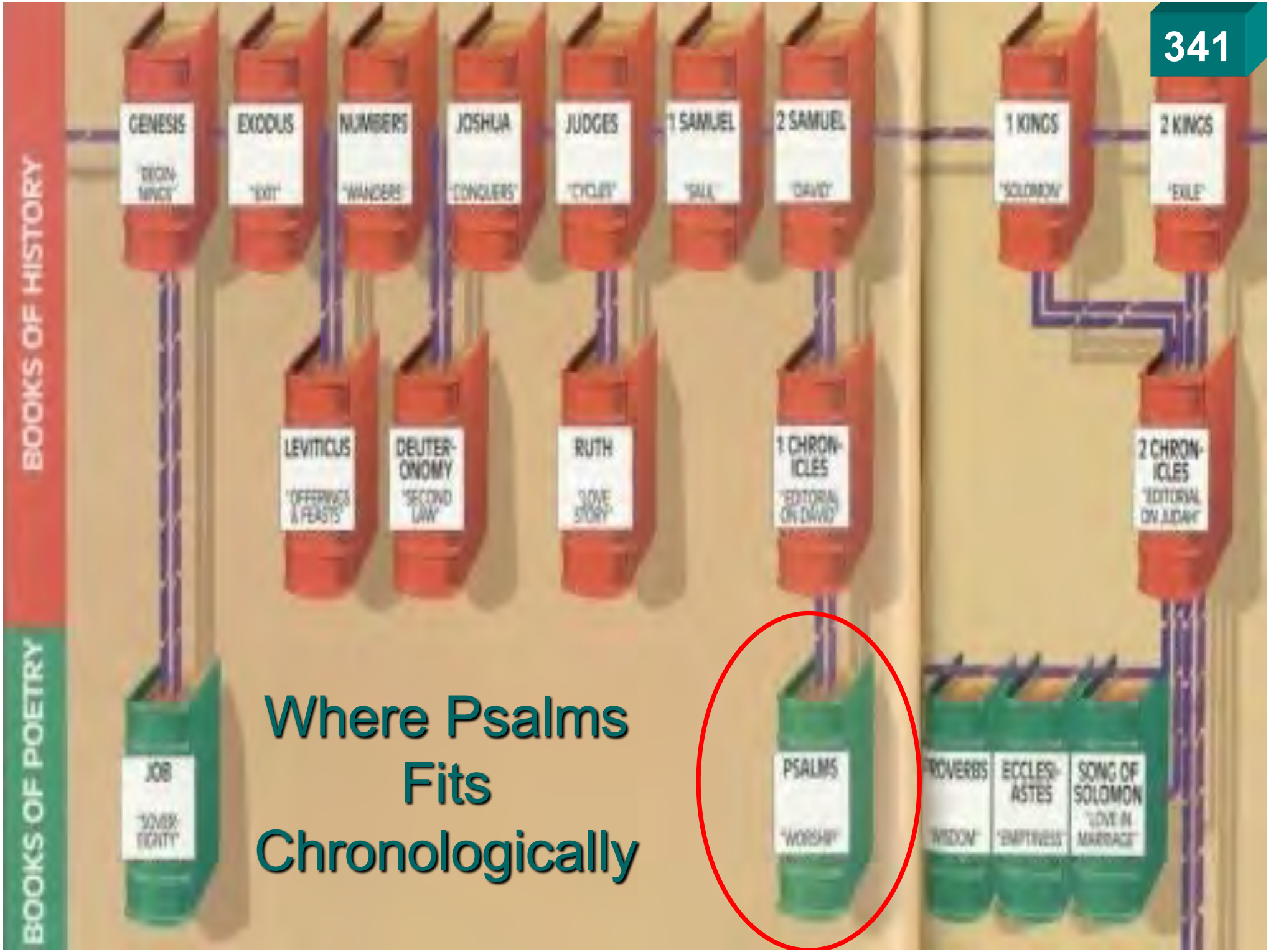
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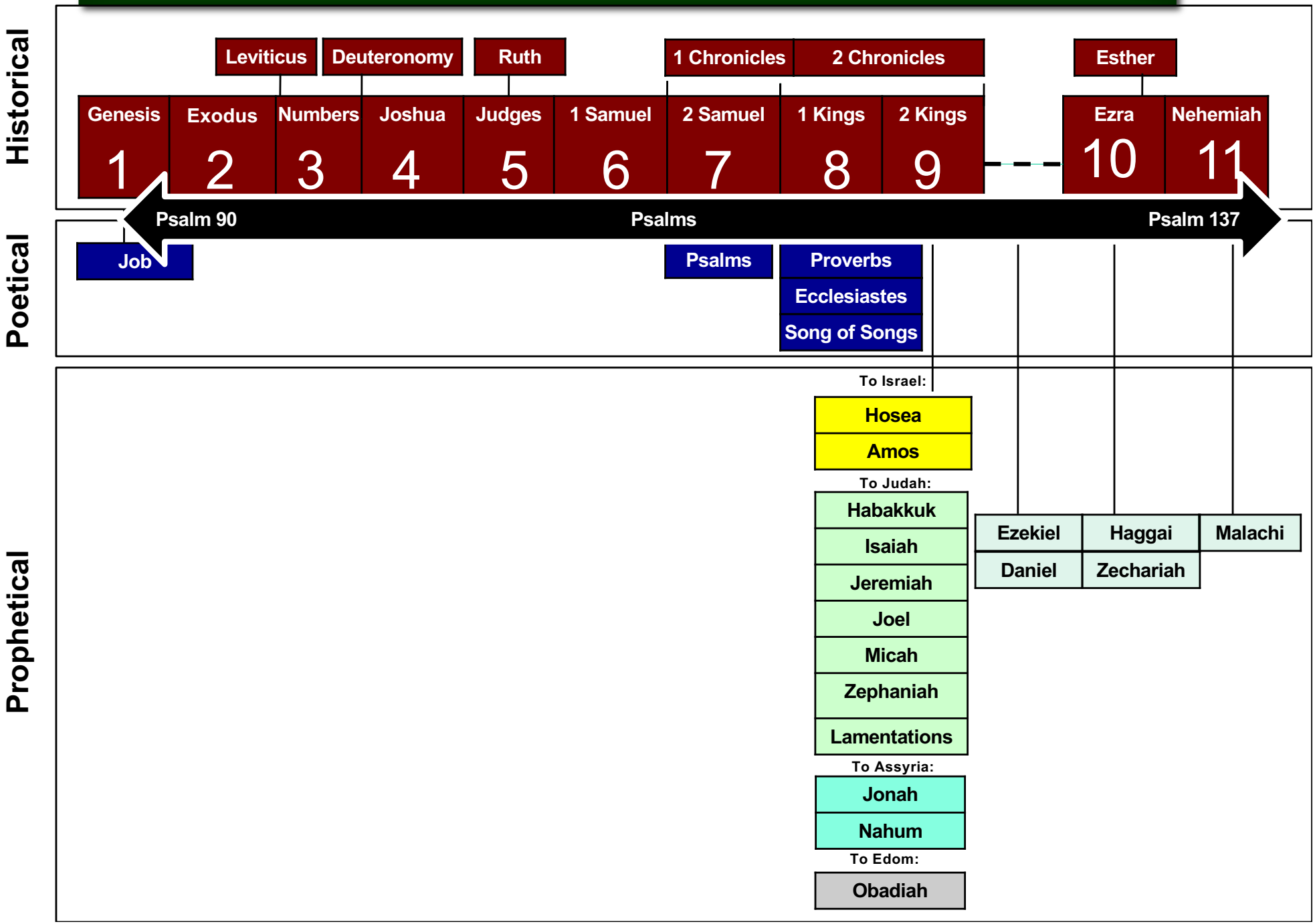
Categories of Psalms



- Praise
- Messianic
- Lament
- Testimonial
- Pilgrim (Ascent)
- Wisdom
- Imprecatory
- Penitential
- Historical
- Nature


BOOKS OF HISTORY
BOOKS OF POETRY
GENESIS
EXODUS
NUMBERS
JOSHUA
JUDGES
1 SAMUEL
2 SAMUEL
1 KINGS
2 KINGS
LEVITICUS
DEUTER-ONOMY
RUTH
1 CHRON-ICLES
2 CHRON-ICLES
JOB
PSALMS
PROVERBS
ECCLES-IASTES
SONG OF SOLOMON
Where Psalms Fits Chronologically

Integration of the Old Testament



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Longest Books of the Bible

Book	Chapters	Verses	Words
Psalms	150	2461	43,743
Jeremiah	52	1364	42,659
Ezekiel	48	1273	39,407
Genesis	50	1533	38,267
Isaiah	66	1292	37,044

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Fulfilled Messianic Prophecies in Psalms

Ps	Reference to Christ	NT Fulfillment
2:7	The Messiah will be God's Son	Hebrews 1:5
16:10	He will rise from the dead	Acts 2:25-31
22:16	His hands & feet will be pierced	John 20:25, 27
45:6	His throne will be forever	Hebrews 1:8
110:1	He is David's son & God's Son	Matthew 22:44
110:4	He is the eternal priest-king	Hebrews 6:20

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Psalms teaches praise

Purpose

- The Psalms constitute a hymnal of Israel, as a means to worship & praise God
- Psalms help God's people to find their way through varying experiences of life (serve as expressions of human feelings)


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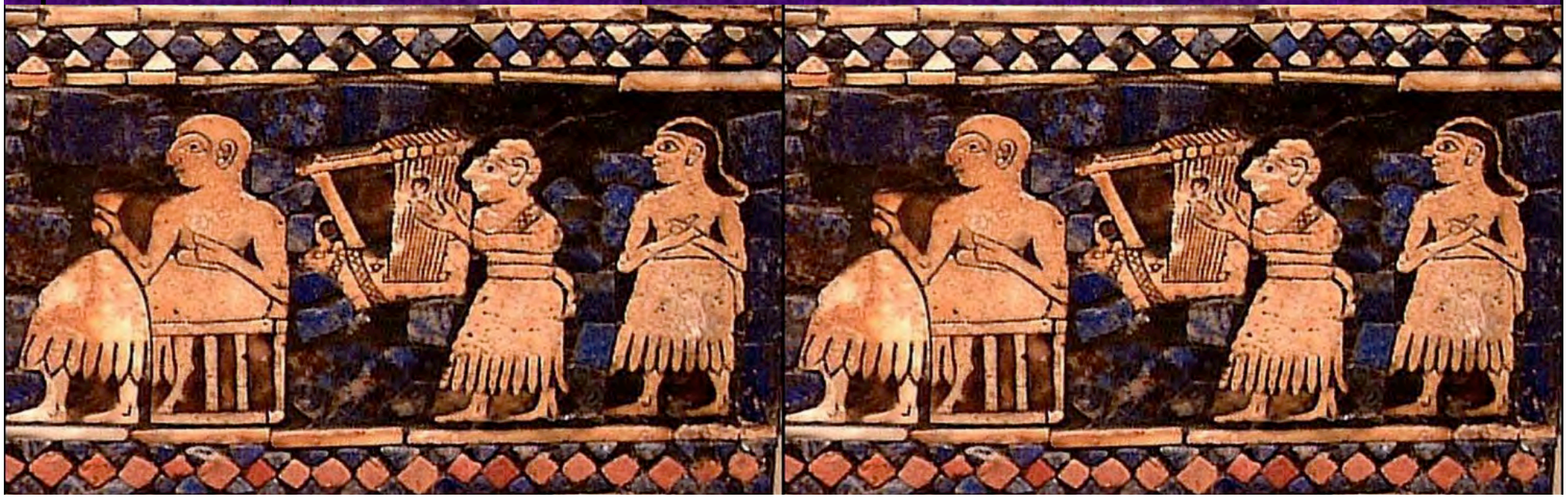
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Psalms

TITLES FOR THE BOOK

Hebrew	Tehilim	Book of Praises
Greek	Psalmoi	Poems sung to the accompaniment of musical instruments
Latin	Liber Psalmorum	Book of Psalms
English	Psalms, The Psalter	Titles reflect musical nature



Psalms grew
in stages

Psalms — Praise and Petition God

	Book 1 (1–41)	Book 2 (42–72)	Book 3 (73–89)	Book 4 (90–106)	Book 5 (107–150)
Number	41	31	17	17	44
Authors and Number of Psalms Authored	David-37 Anon-4	David-18 Korah-7 Anon-4 Solomon-1 Asaph-1	Asaph-11 Korah-3 Ethan-1 Heman-1 David-1	Anon-14 David-2 Moses-1	Anon-28 David-15 Solomon-1
Main Type	Lament-22	Lament-21	Lament-9	Praise-12	Praise-22
Closing Doxology	41:13	72:18-19	89:52	106:48	150:1-6
Possible Complier	David	Hezekiah or Josiah		Ezra or Nehemiah	
Possible Compilation Dates	1020-970 BC	970-610 BC		Until c. 430 BC	
Span of Authorship	About 1000 Years (about 1410-430 BC)				

The Organization of the Psalter

Designed by
Dr. J. Paul Tanner

Book 1: 1–41

Double Introduction
Ps 1 - An invitation to embrace God's wisdom and walk in the way of the righteous
Ps 2 - An invitation to believe and submit to the LORD's "Anointed"

- All are Davidic Pss, except 10 and 33 which have no superscription
- But Ps 10 continues Ps 9 (together = one acrostic psalm)
- Ps 33 has thematic connections with Ps 32.

(note especially 32:11 with 33:1, and 32:10 with 33:21-22)

Doxology
Ps 41:13

Psalm 41
The LORD will raise up the Messianic King to triumph over His enemies

Ps 2: The Messianic Hope in the Davidic Covenant is Immutable (God's Perspective)

Book 2: 42–72

- 42-49 = 1st Korah Collection
  - Ps 43 is probably part of Ps 42
  - Ps 42-45 are Maskil Psalms (see 52-55)
- 50 = Asaph Psalm (mentions adultery, anticipating Ps 51)
- 51-71 = Mostly Davidic Pss
  - But Pss 67 & 71 have no superscription
  - Pss 52-55 = Maskil Pss
  - Pss 56-60 = Mikhtam Pss
- 72 = Solomonic (Points to the Messianic King & Kingdom)

Doxology
Ps 72:18-19

Psalm 72
The Messiah will have a glorious universal reign exalting righteousness

Ps 72: The Messianic Hope in the Davidic Covenant is Visualized in its Kingdom Fulfillment

Book 3: 73–89

- 73-83 = Asaph Collection (recall Ps 50)
- 84-85 = 2nd Korah Collection (recall 42-49)
- 86 = Prayer of David
- 87-88 = 3rd Korah Collection (Pss 88 & 89 are both Maskil Psalms)
- 89 = Psalm of Ethan (regarding the Davidic Covenant)

Note 89:46 – "How long, O LORD?" Frustration that God seems to be ignoring the Davidic Covenant promises.

Doxology
Ps 89:52

Psalm 89
The LORD will fulfill the Davidic Covenant Promises in His "Son-Messiah"

Ps 89: The Messianic Hope in the Davidic Covenant is Questioned (Man's Perspective)

Ps 90: A Look Back to Moses the Lawgiver
God is a Secure Refuge; the Problem is with the Nation's Sin

Ps 106: National Humility & Confession
Because of Disobedience to God's Law, Must Seek for God's Favor To be Restored

Book 4: 90–106

- 90 = Psalm of Moses
- 91 = No superscription
- 92 = For Sabbath (no author)
- 93-99 = Kingship of Yahweh Pss
- 100 = Ps of Thanksgiving (no author)
- 101 = Davidic Psalm
- 102 = Prayer of the Afflicted (no author)
- 103 = Davidic Psalm
- 104-105 = No superscription
- 106 = No superscription / Hallelujah Ps (Focus on Confession & Forgiveness)

Doxology
Ps 106:46

Notice the Linking: Comp. 106:1 with 107:1

Book 5: 107–145

- 107 = No Superscription (God's loyal-love is the basis for forgiveness & restoration)
- 108-110 = Davidic Pss (linking words & themes)
- 111-113 = Hallelujah Pss
- 114-118 = No superscription
- 119 = Torah Psalm (acrostic pattern)
- 120-134 = Pss of Ascent (pilgrimage)
- 135-137 = No superscription (Ps 137 is a psalm of the Baby. Exile)
- 138-145 = Davidic Pss (Ps 145 is a Ps of total adoration for the Lord)

Grand Doxology
Ps s 146-150

Grand Concluding Doxology

Pss 146-150
Hallelujah Psalms

Depicts the entire universe in united praise, adoration and worship of the LORD God.

"Let everything that has breath praise the LORD."


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Key Authors:
David & Asaph

Authorship לְדָוִד

"to David"
"for David"
"of David"

External evidence:

- Superscriptions to many psalms are challenged by scholars due to the usage of Hebrew preposition *lamed*.

- However, its use to designate authorship is common in Northwestern Semitic inscriptions and other Semitic dialects—as well as "of Habakkuk" (Hab. 3:1).

Authorship

Internal evidence:

50 psalms: Anonymous

100 psalms: 7 authors

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AUTHORSHIP

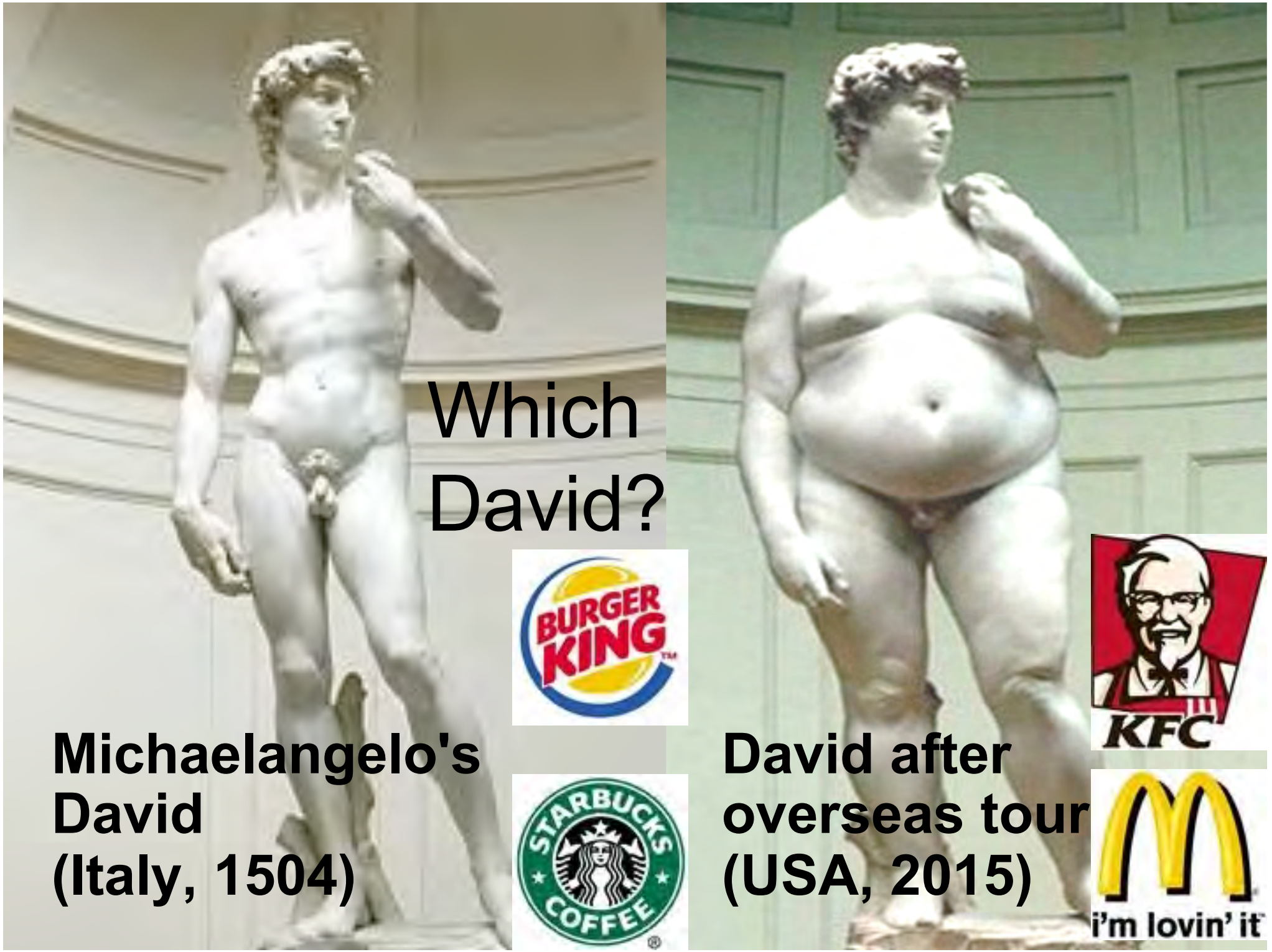
	Book 1	Book 2	Book 3	Book 4	Book 5
Chapter	1-41	42-72	73-89	90-106	107-150
Number of Psalms	41	31	17	17	44
Chief Author	David	David / Korah	Asaph	Anonymous	David / Anonymous





About the Authors

1. David: "Beloved of Yahweh"
   - the second king of Israel
   - wrote 73 pss.


Which David?
BURGER KING
STARBUCKS COFFEE
KFC
i'm lovin' it
Michaelangelo's David (Italy, 1504)
David after overseas tour (USA, 2015)

About the Authors

1. David: "Beloved of Yahweh"
   - the second king of Israel
   - wrote 73 pss.

2. Asaph: "Collector"
   - a Levite descending from Gershom
   - an eminent musician
   - wrote 12 pss. (Pss. 50, 73–83)

About the Authors

3. The Sons of Korah: "bald"
   - a guild of singers & composers
   - from Levi in the line of Kohath
   - wrote 10 pss. (pss. 42, 44-49, 84, 85, 87)

4. Solomon: "peaceful"
   - 3rd king of Israel
   - son of David & Bathsheba
   - wrote 2 pss. (pss. 72, 127)

About the Authors

5. Moses: "Son of the water"
   - leader of Israel from Egyptian bondage
   - author of oldest psalm (Ps. 90)



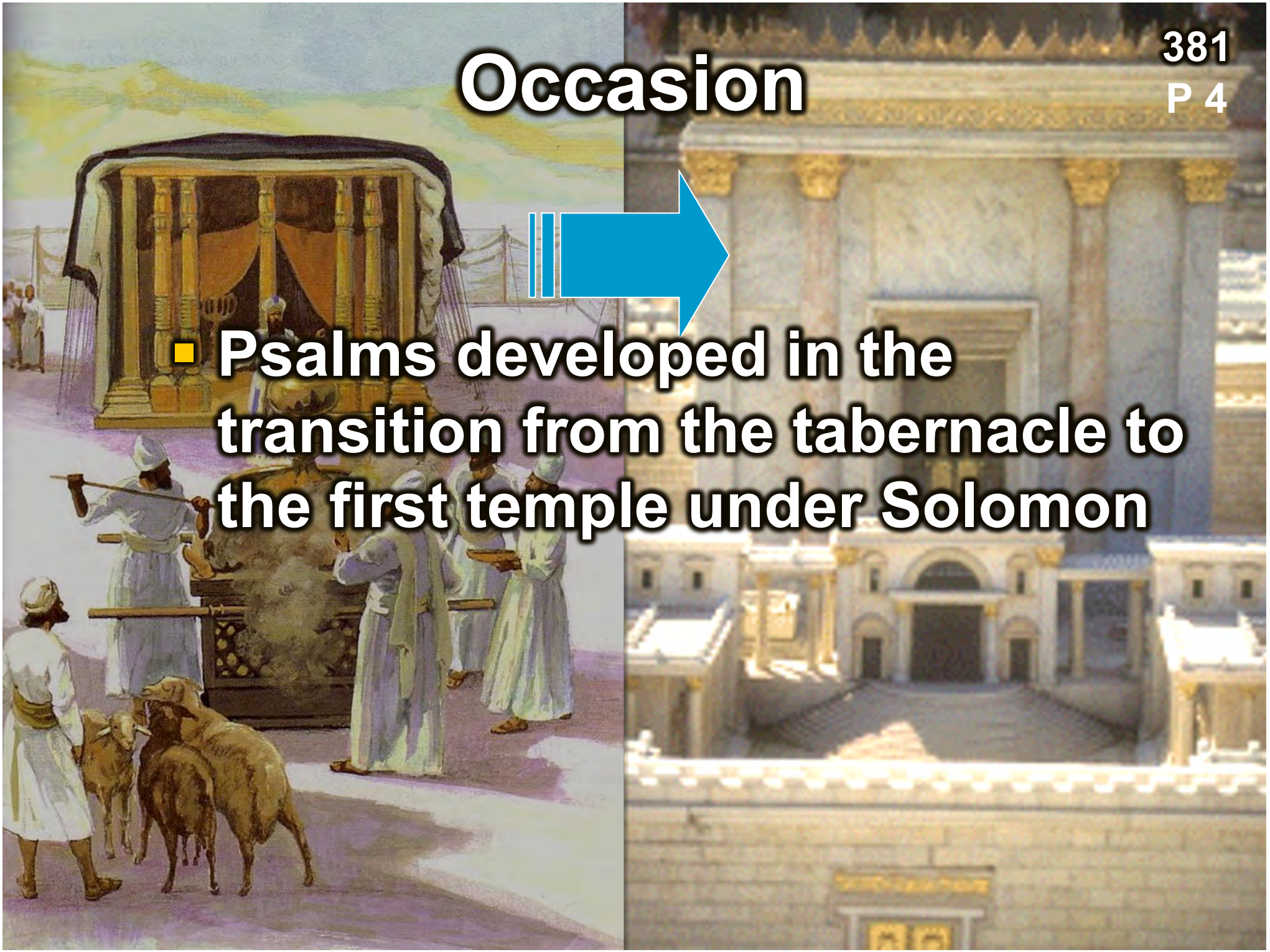
6. Heman the Ezrahite: "Faithful"
   - Levite from family of Kohath
   - Wrote Ps. 88

7. Ethan the Ezrahite: "Enduring"
   - Levite from the family of Merari
   - Wrote Ps. 89

Recipients

- **The nation of Israel**
- **Used in worship at the temple and as a devotional guide for the Jewish people**

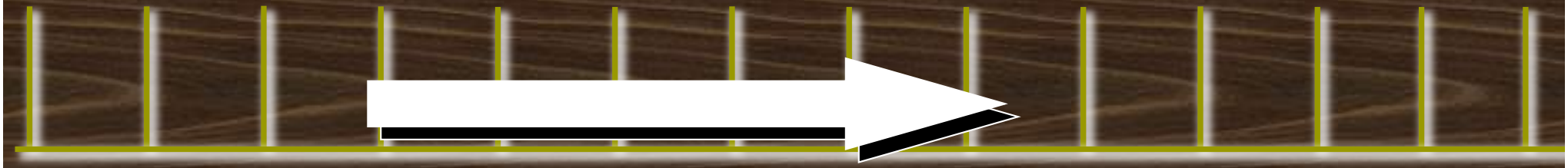
Occasion



- Psalms developed in the transition from the tabernacle to the first temple under Solomon

Psalms Covers 1000 Years

Moses	David	Postexilic
Ps. 90	73 pss.	Ps. 126
ca. 1400 BC	1000	430 BC



2000 1800 1600 1400 1200 1000 800 600 400 200 BC/AD 200 400 600

DATES OF COMPOSTION

1400 BC | 1000 BC | 971 BC | 931 BC | 722 BC | 500 BC

Moses | **David** | **Solomon** | **Divided Kingdom** | **Exile** | **Restoration**

Most of the Psalms were written here

Classifications by Book

- Book 1: Pss. 1–41
- Book 2: Pss. 42–72
- Book 3: Pss. 73–89
- Book 4: Pss. 90–106
- Book 5: Pss. 107–150

Each of these 5 books ends with a doxology

Reasons for Classifications

1. **Some Jews believed that the five sections mirror the Pentateuch, but these really have no correspondence**

Covenant Relationship with God

	Book of Pentateuch	Correspondence
Book 1	Genesis	Man: the godly man, the ungodly man, the Son of Man
Book 2	Exodus	Story of Israel's ruin, redemption; ends with a Kingdom Psalm
Book 3	Leviticus	Sanctuary: references to holiness, congregation, Zion; 11/12 Asaph psalms
Book 4	Numbers	Wilderness: references to Moses, wilderness, failures & rebellions
Book 5	Deuteronomy	Restates counsels of God, claims of the Law, anticipation of blessings

Classification View 1: Mirroring the Pentateuch

BOOK 1	BOOK 2	BOOK 3	BOOK 4	BOOK 5
41 Psalms 1	31 Psalms 42	17 Psalms 73	17 Psalms 90	44 Psalms 107 150
41:13	72:18-20	89:52	106:48	150:6
DOXOLOGY AT THESE VERSES				
ADORING WORSHIP	WONDERING WORSHIP	CEASELESS WORSHIP	SUBMISSIVE WORSHIP	PERFECTED WORSHIP
GENESIS -man-	EXODUS -Israel-	LEVITICUS -sanctuary-	NUMBERS -Moses & wilderness-	DEUTERONOMY - Law & land-
TOPICAL LIKENESS TO PENTATEUCH				
mainly (or all) DAVID	mainly DAVID & KORAH	mainly ASAPH	mainly ANONYMOUS	mainly DAVID
A U T H O R S				
ORIGINAL GROUP BY DAVID	BOOKS 2 & 3 ADDED IN THE REIGNS OF HEZEKIAH & JOSIAH		MISCELLANEOUS COLLECTIONS COMPILED IN TIMES OF EZRA & NEHEMIAH	

POSSIBLE STAGES OF COLLECTION

Irving L. Jensen

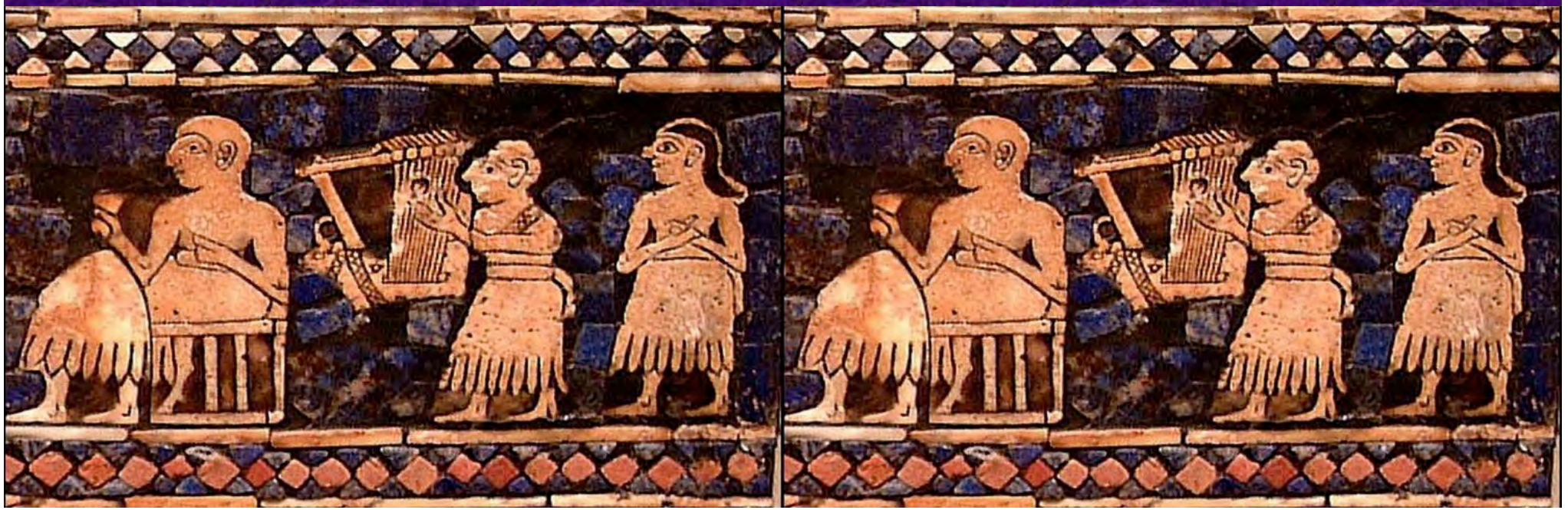
Reasons for Classifications

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2. **Herbert C. Leupold & A. A. Anderson postulate that divisions resulted a book at a time from chronological development.**

COMPILATION

	Book 1	Book 2	Book 3	Book 4	Book 5
Possible Compiler	David	Hezekiah or Josiah		Ezra or Nehemiah	
Possible Dates of Compilation	c. 1020 – 970 BC	c. 970 – 610 BC		Until c. 430 BC	



Names of God

Yahweh: The proper name of the God of Israel; Covenant-Keeping

God(s) or god(s): Plural, intensive, or true; Mighty & Powerful

Yahweh	"For the LORD is [illegible]teous, he loves justice…" (Psa[illegible]m 11:7)
Elohim	"Sing to God, sing praise to his name, extol him who rides on the clouds …" (Psalm 68:4)
Yahweh-Elohim	O LORD God Almighty, the God of Israel, rouse yourself to punish all the nations … (Psalm 59:5)

Source: BDB

Significance of the Names of God

Yahweh	"LORD" is His covenant name, meaning that He keeps all promises
Elohim	"God" conveys His all-powerful nature (plural intensification of "El")
Yahweh-Elohim	"LORD God" brings these two names together to show Him as the omnipotent covenant keeper.

Pray Through Psalms

"Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer"

—Psalm 19:14



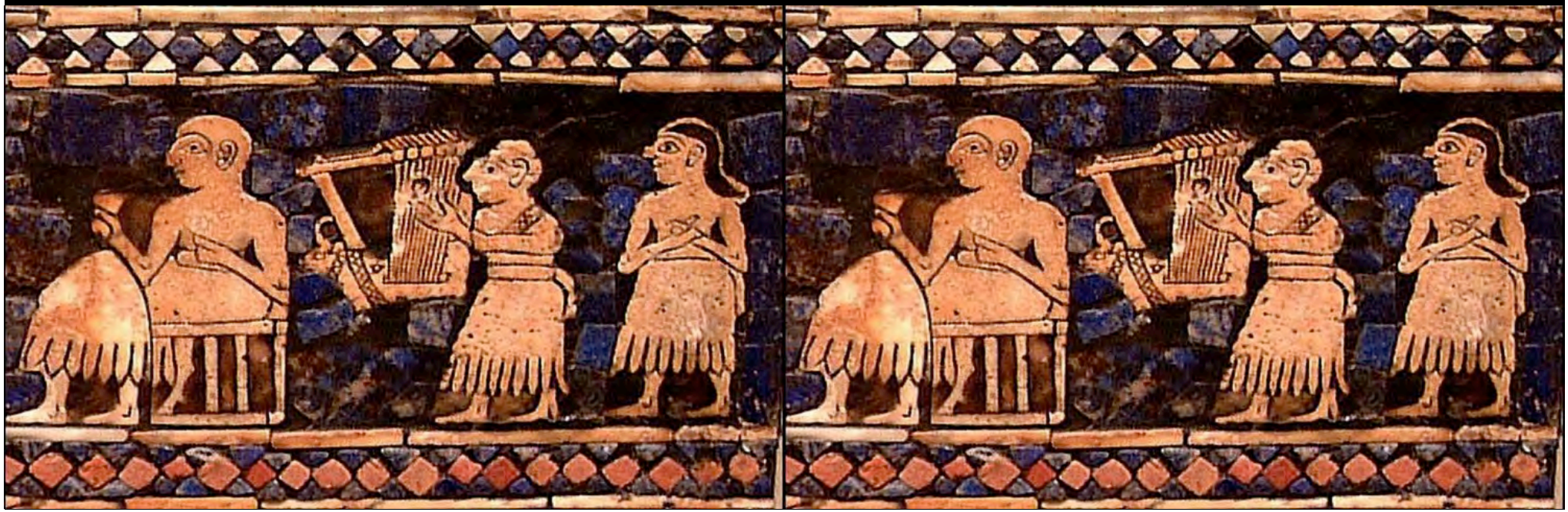
Psalms is a guide for prayer

How to Pray Through a Psalm

One verse per person

Paraphrase and personalize it

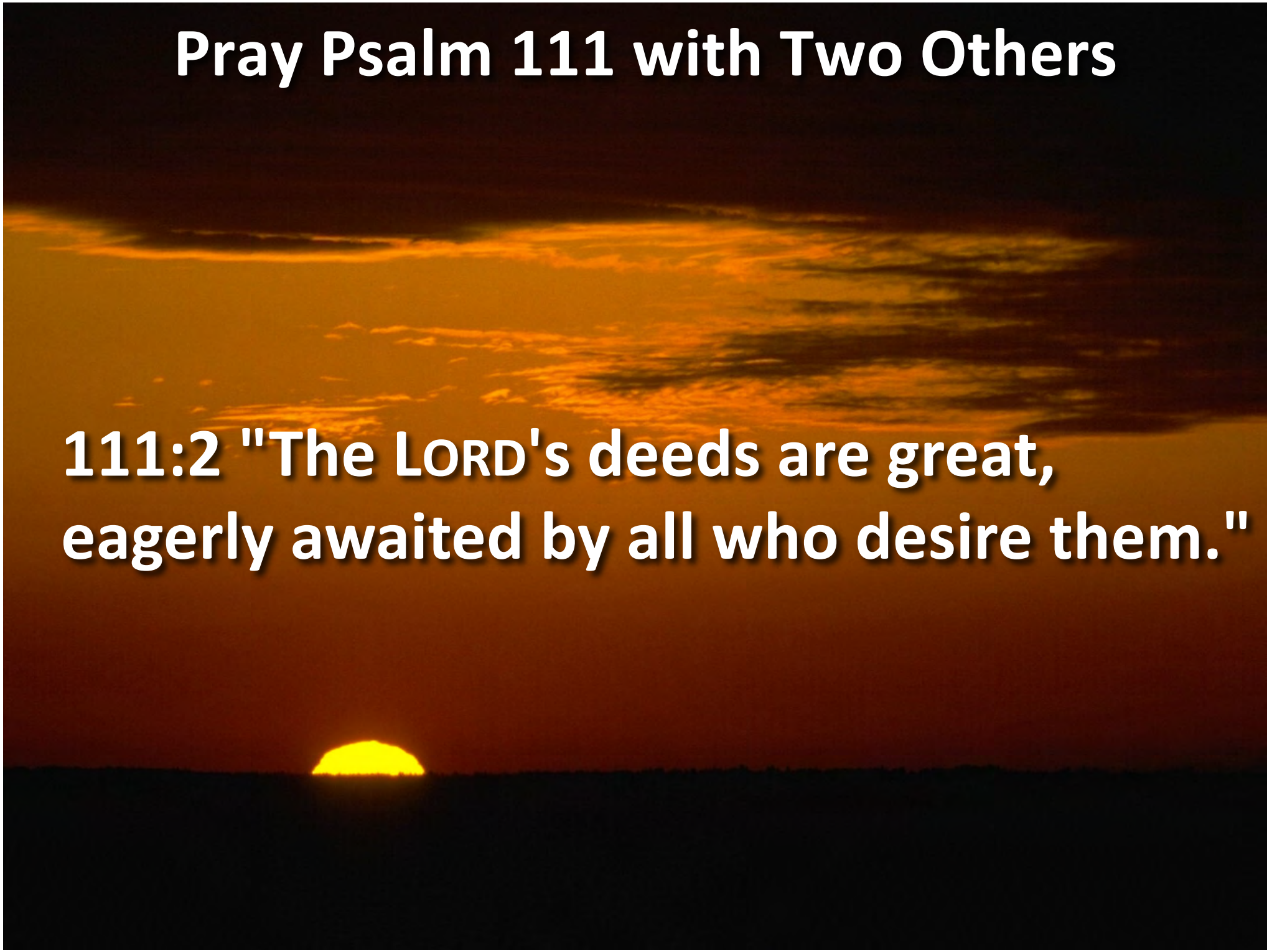
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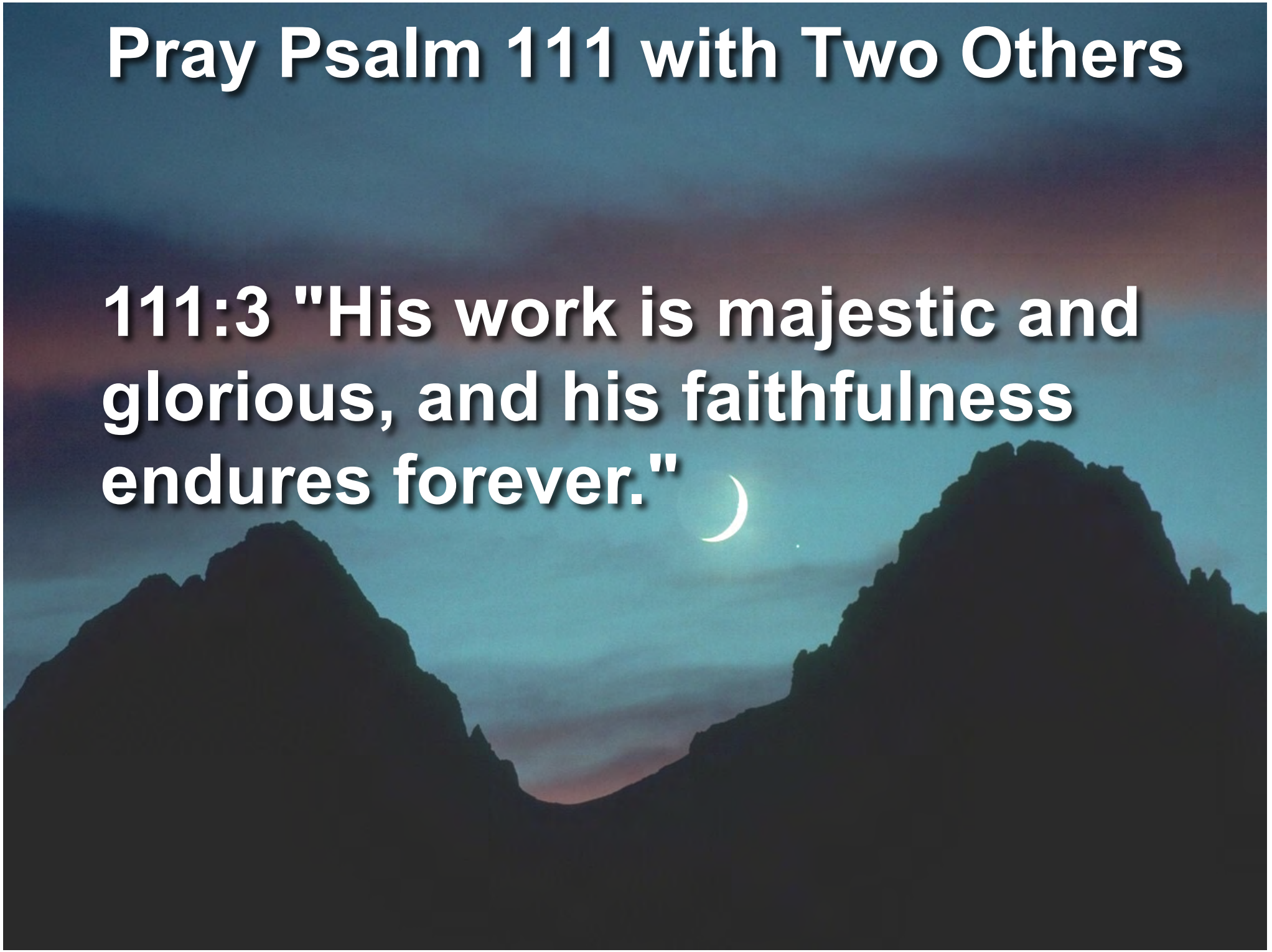


Pray Psalm 111 with Two Others

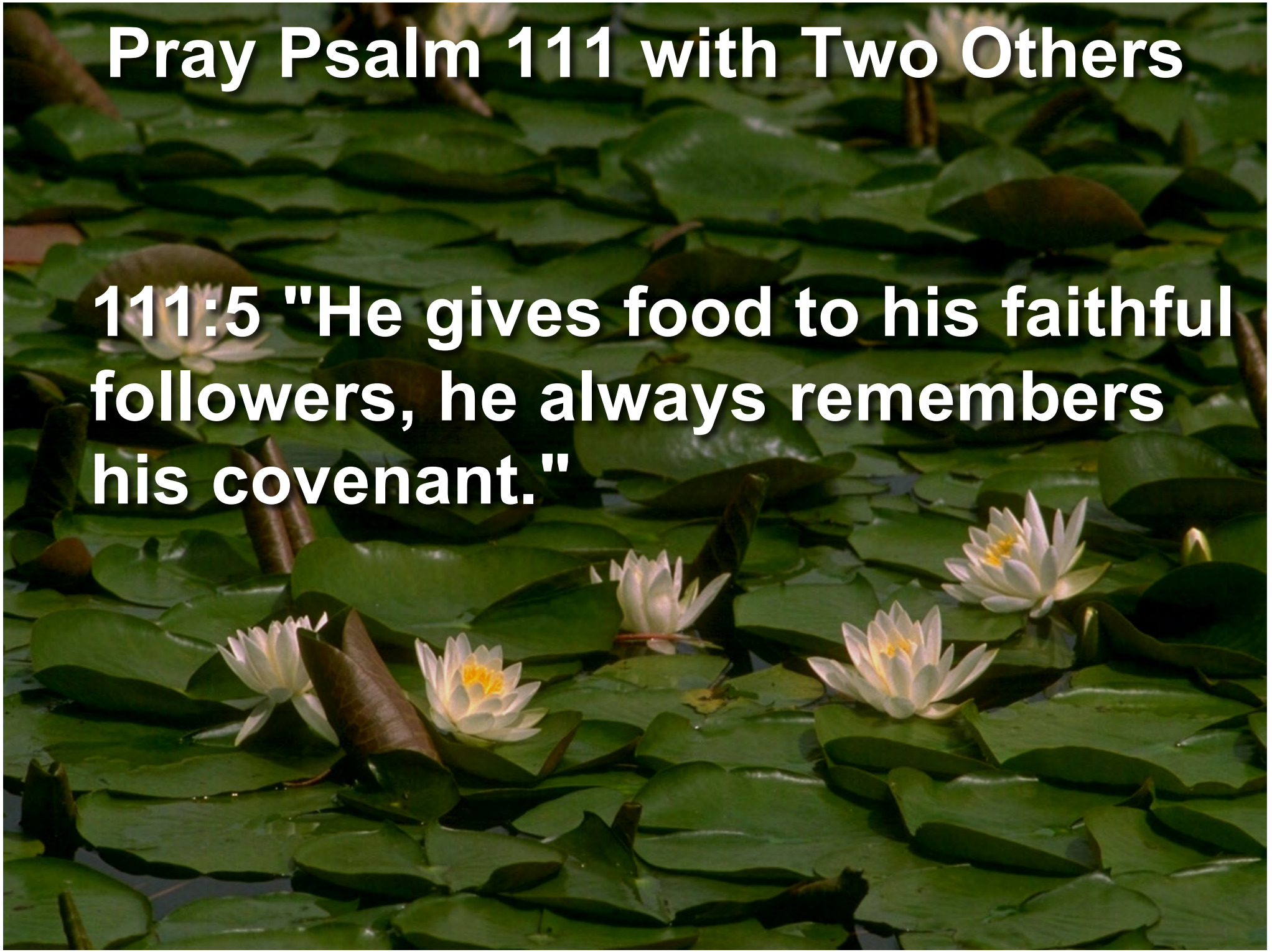


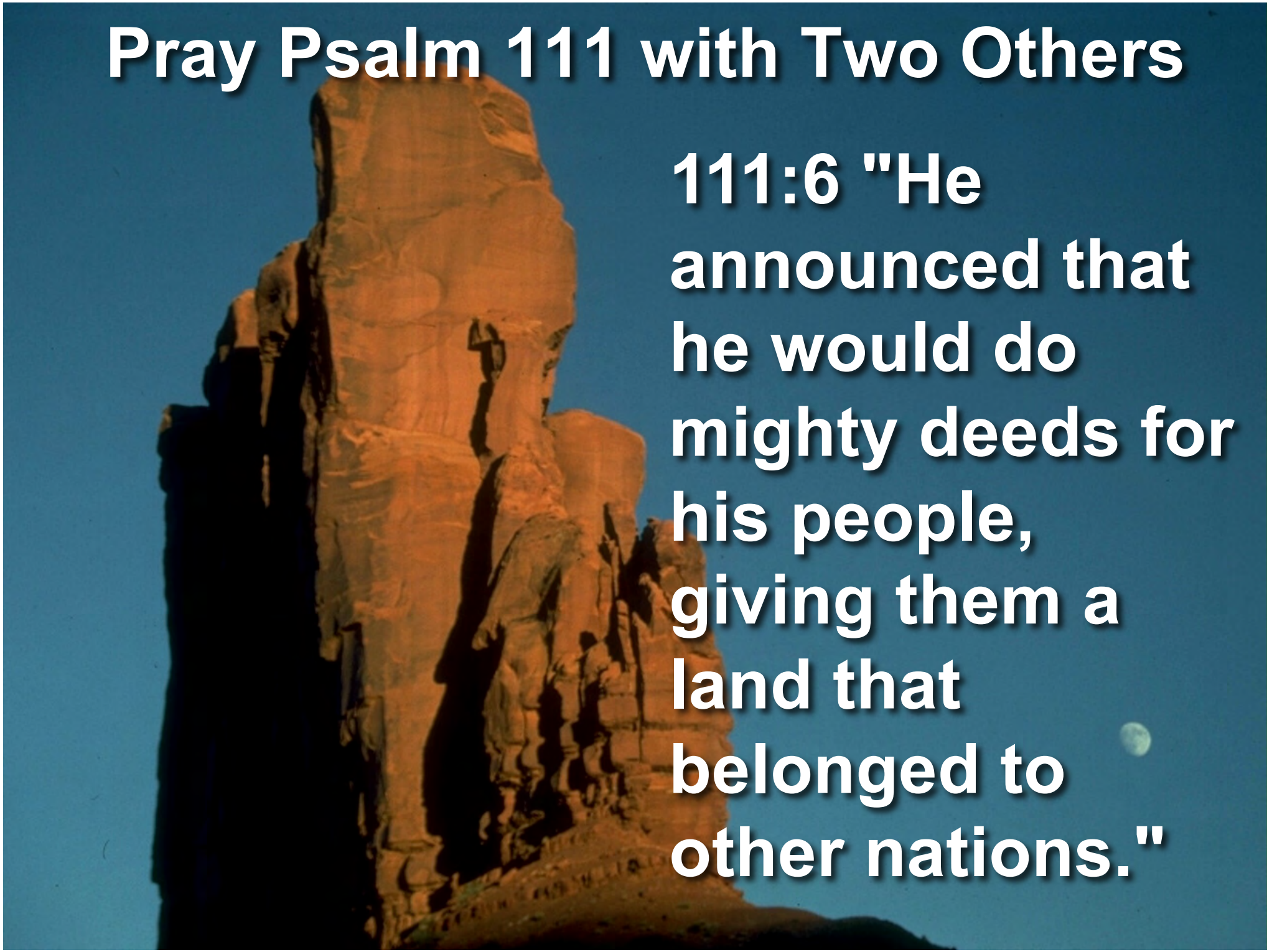
111:1 "Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the godly and the congregation."

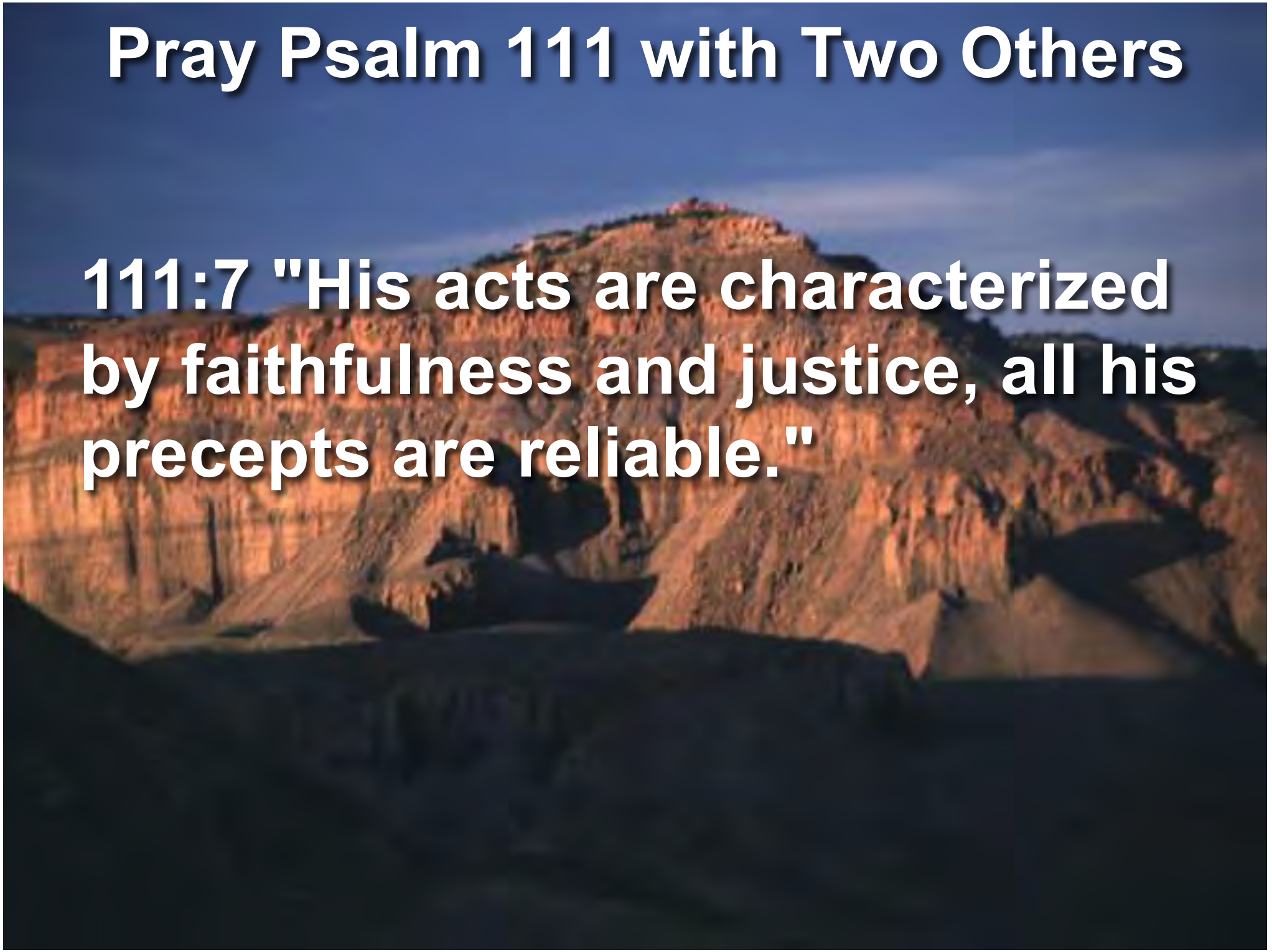

Pray Psalm 111 with Two Others
111:2 "The LORD's deeds are great,
eagerly awaited by all who desire them."


Pray Psalm 111 with Two Others
111:3 "His work is majestic and glorious, and his faithfulness endures forever."


Pray Psalm 111 with Two Others
111:4 "He does amazing things
that will be remembered,
The LORD is merciful and
compassionate."

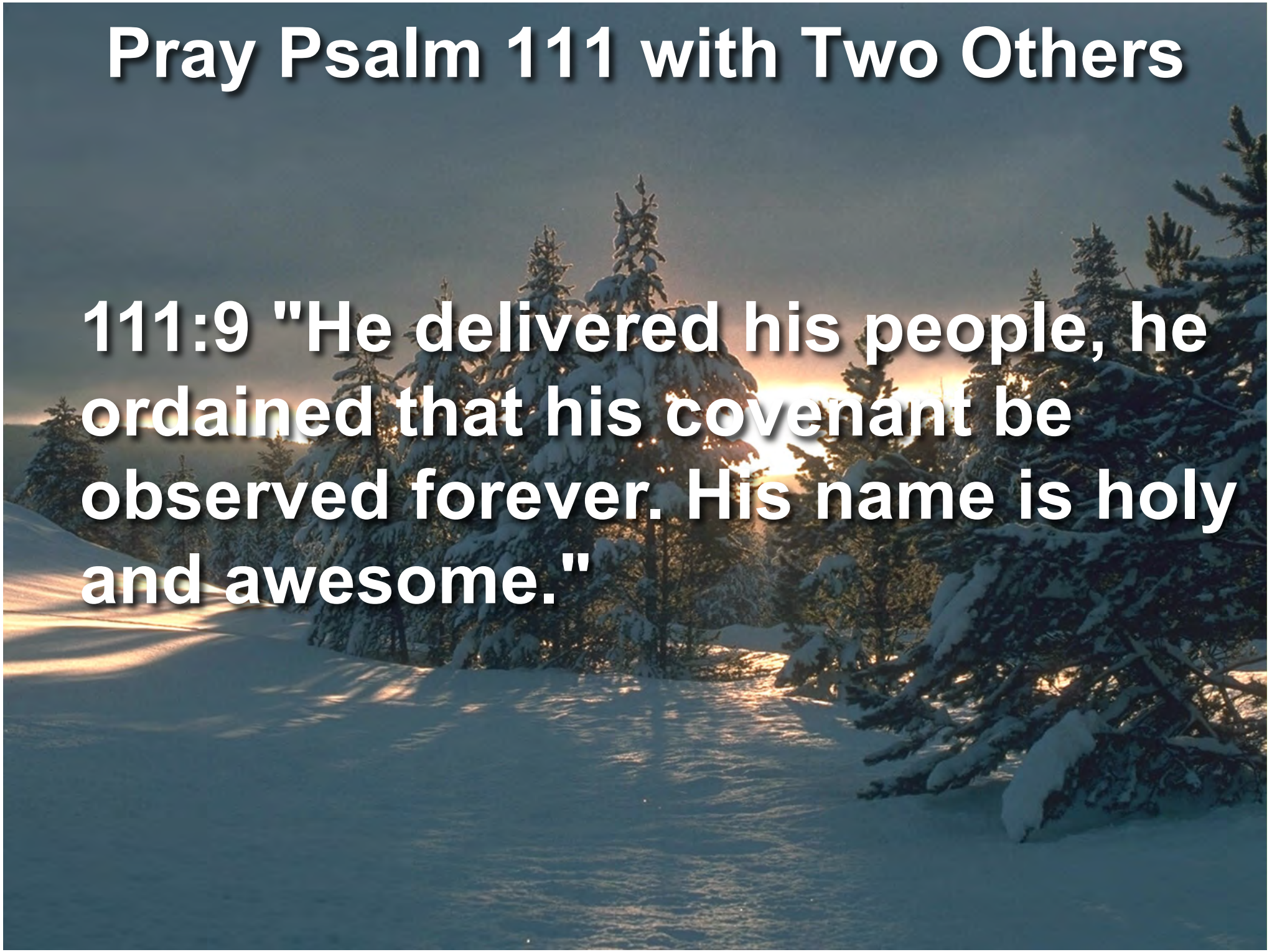

Pray Psalm 111 with Two Others
111:5 "He gives food to his faithful followers, he always remembers his covenant."

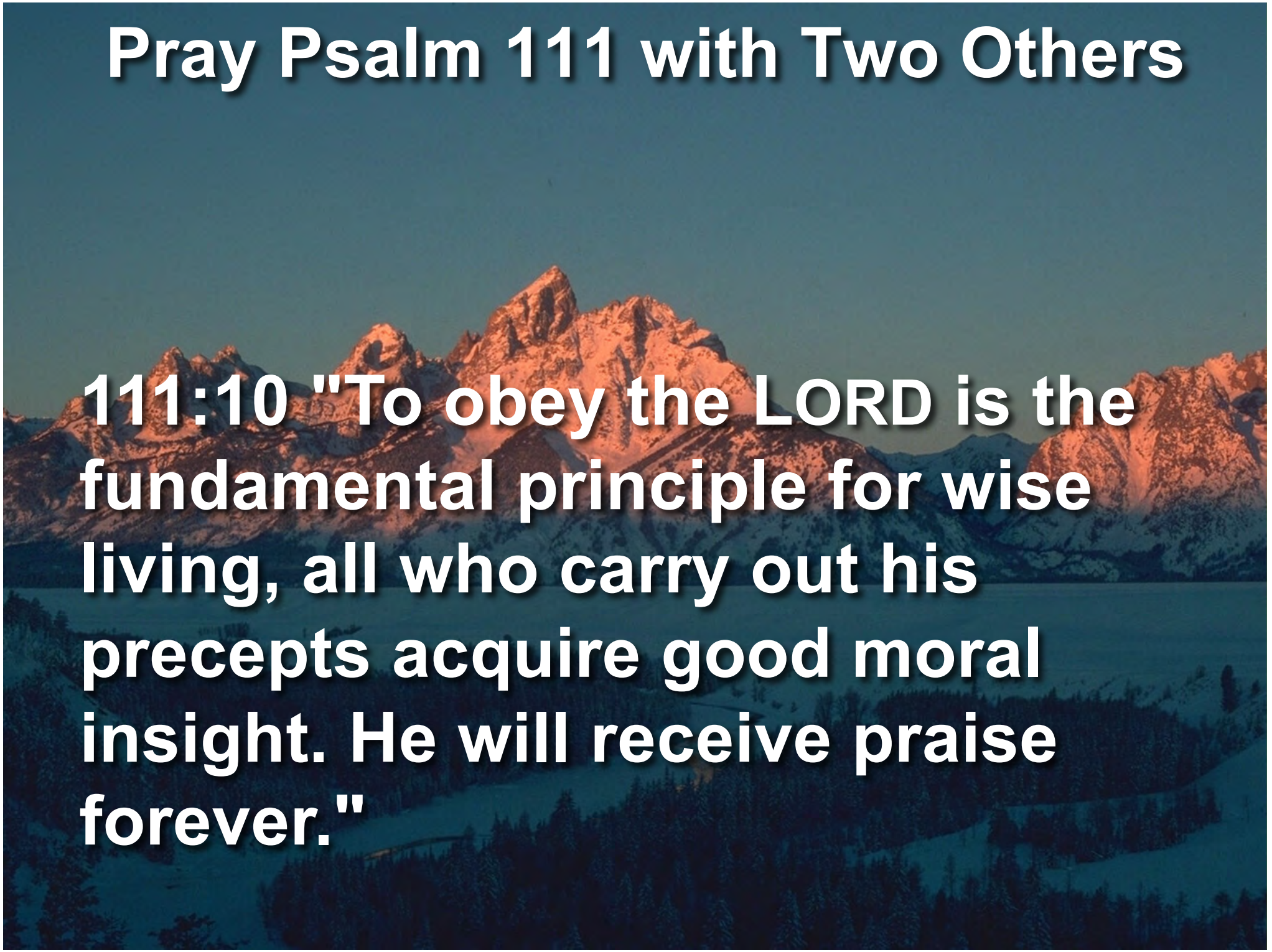

Pray Psalm 111 with Two Others
111:6 "He announced that he would do mighty deeds for his people, giving them a land that belonged to other nations."


Pray Psalm 111 with Two Others
111:7 "His acts are characterized by faithfulness and justice, all his precepts are reliable."

Pray Psalm 111 with Two Others

111:8 "They [His precepts] are forever firm, and should be faithfully and properly carried out."


Pray Psalm 111 with Two Others
111:9 "He delivered his people, he ordained that his covenant be observed forever. His name is holy and awesome."


Pray Psalm 111 with Two Others
111:10 "To obey the LORD is the fundamental principle for wise living, all who carry out his precepts acquire good moral insight. He will receive praise forever."

Overview

- Introduction
- **What place did the Psalms have in OT times?**
- How did the Israelites worship God through the Psalms?
- How are the Psalms relevant for Christians today?

Psalms come in many types

Types of Psalms

- **Messianic**

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Why are you so far from saving me,
so far from the words of my groaning?

(Ps. 22:1 NIV)

Fulfilled Messianic Prophecies in Psalms

Ps	Reference to Christ	NT Fulfillment
2:7	The Messiah will be God's Son	Hebrews 1:5
16:10	He will rise from the dead	Acts 2:25-31
22:16	His hands & feet will be pierced	John 20:25, 27
45:6	His throne will be forever	Hebrews 1:8
110:1	He is David's son & God's Son	Matthew 22:44
110:4	He is the eternal priest-king	Hebrews 6:20

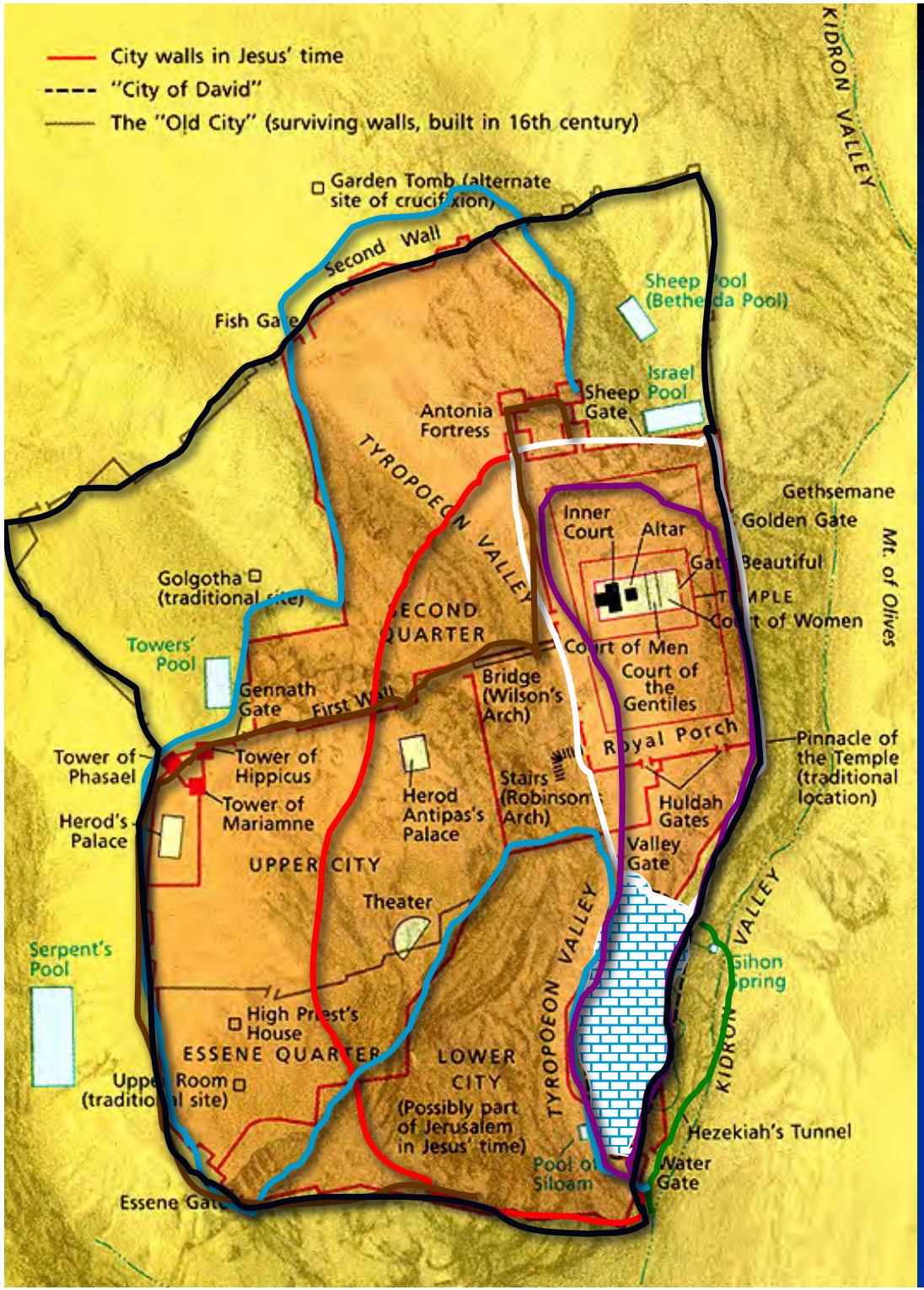


Types of Psalms

Categories of Psalms



- Praise
- Messianic
- Lament
- Testimonial
- Pilgrim (Ascent)
- Wisdom
- Imprecatory
- Penitential
- Historical
- Nature



Jerusalem

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- Disadvantages
- Advantages
- Stages

Jebusite (1500 BC)

Solomon (971 BC)

Hezekiah (700 BC)

Hezekiah (700 BC)

586 BC

Nehemiah (444 BC)

Hasmonean (100 BC)

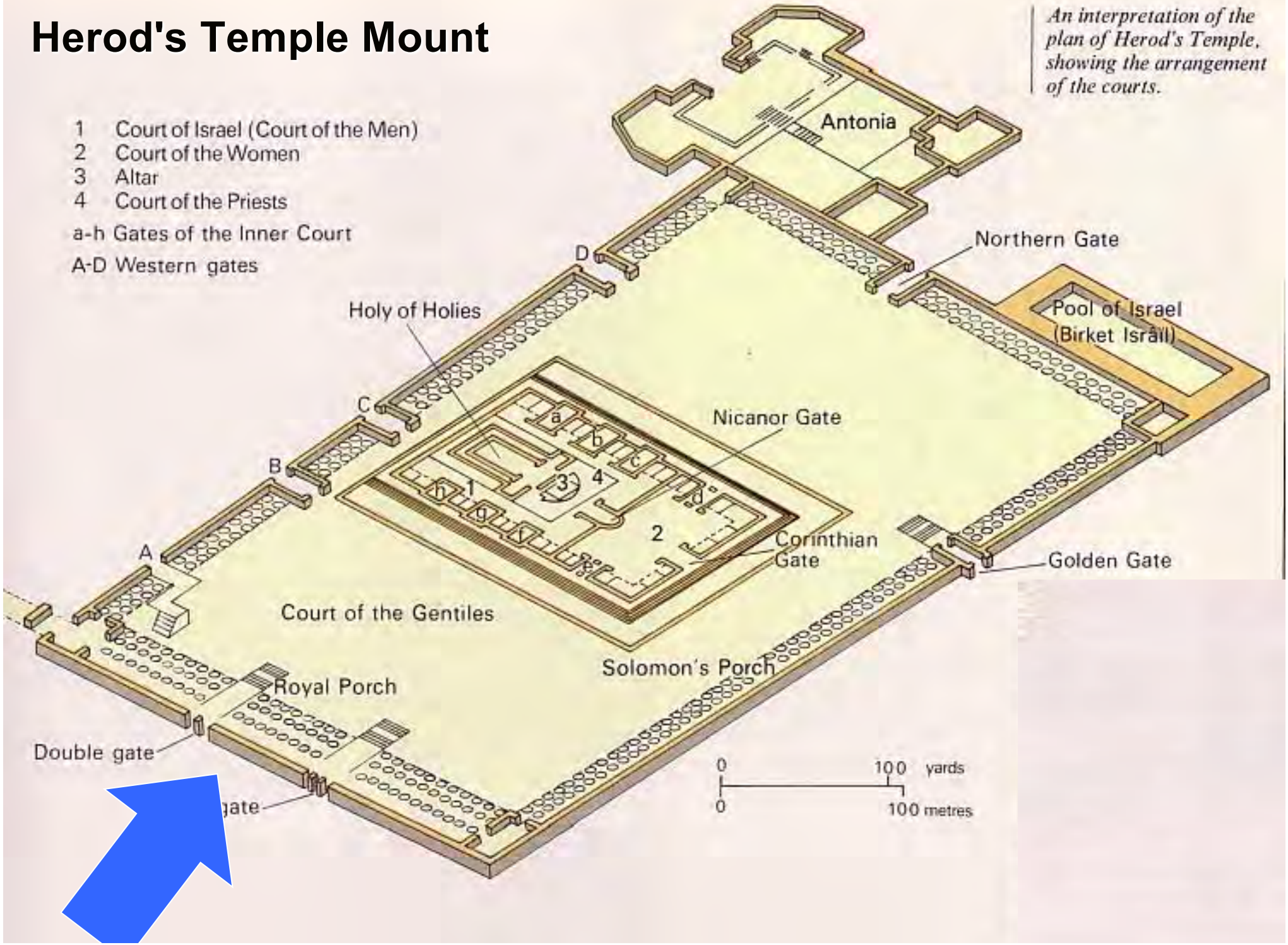
Herod the Great (20 BC)

AD 70

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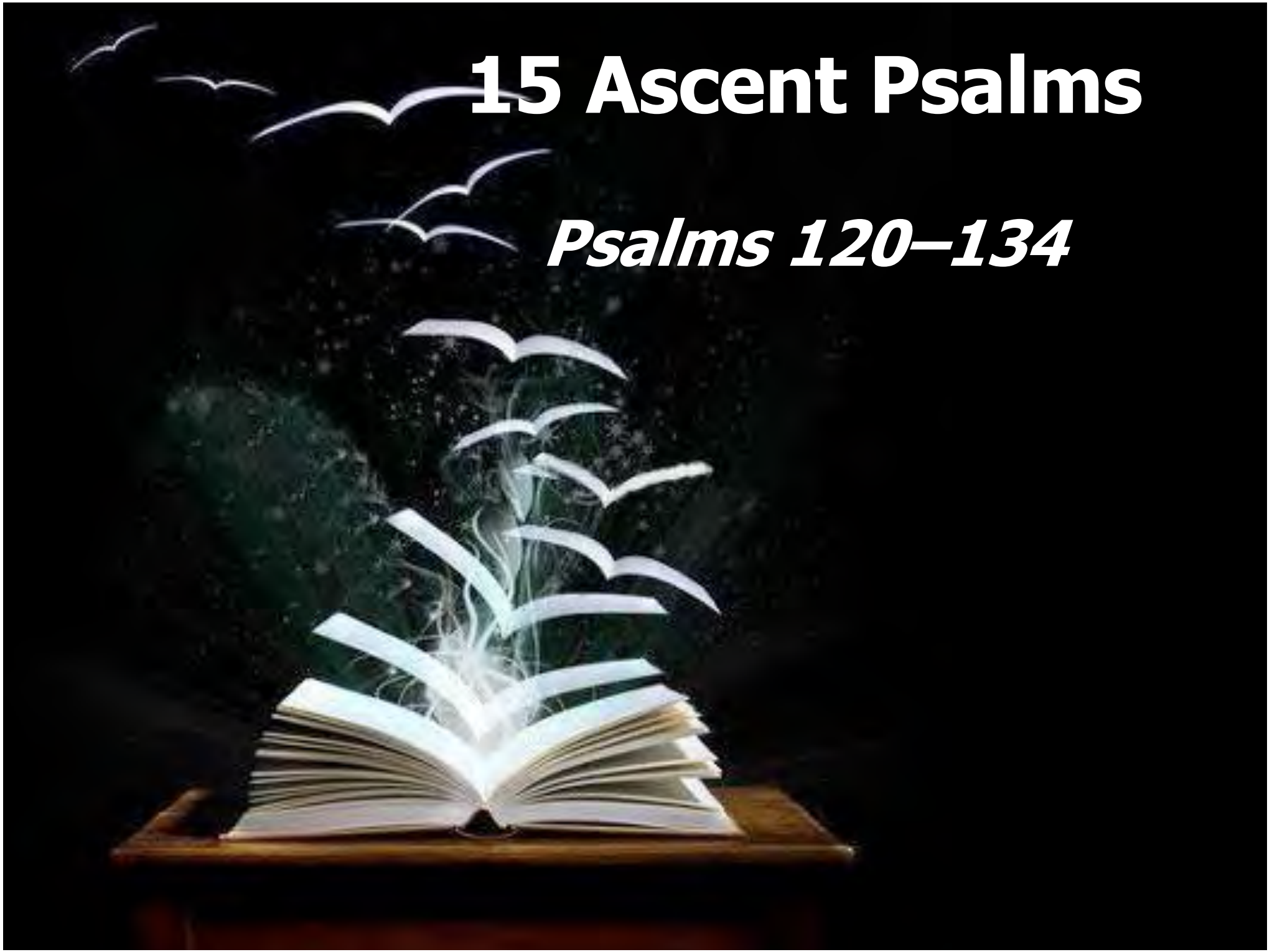

Present City
Herod's Extension
Southeast Corner
City of David

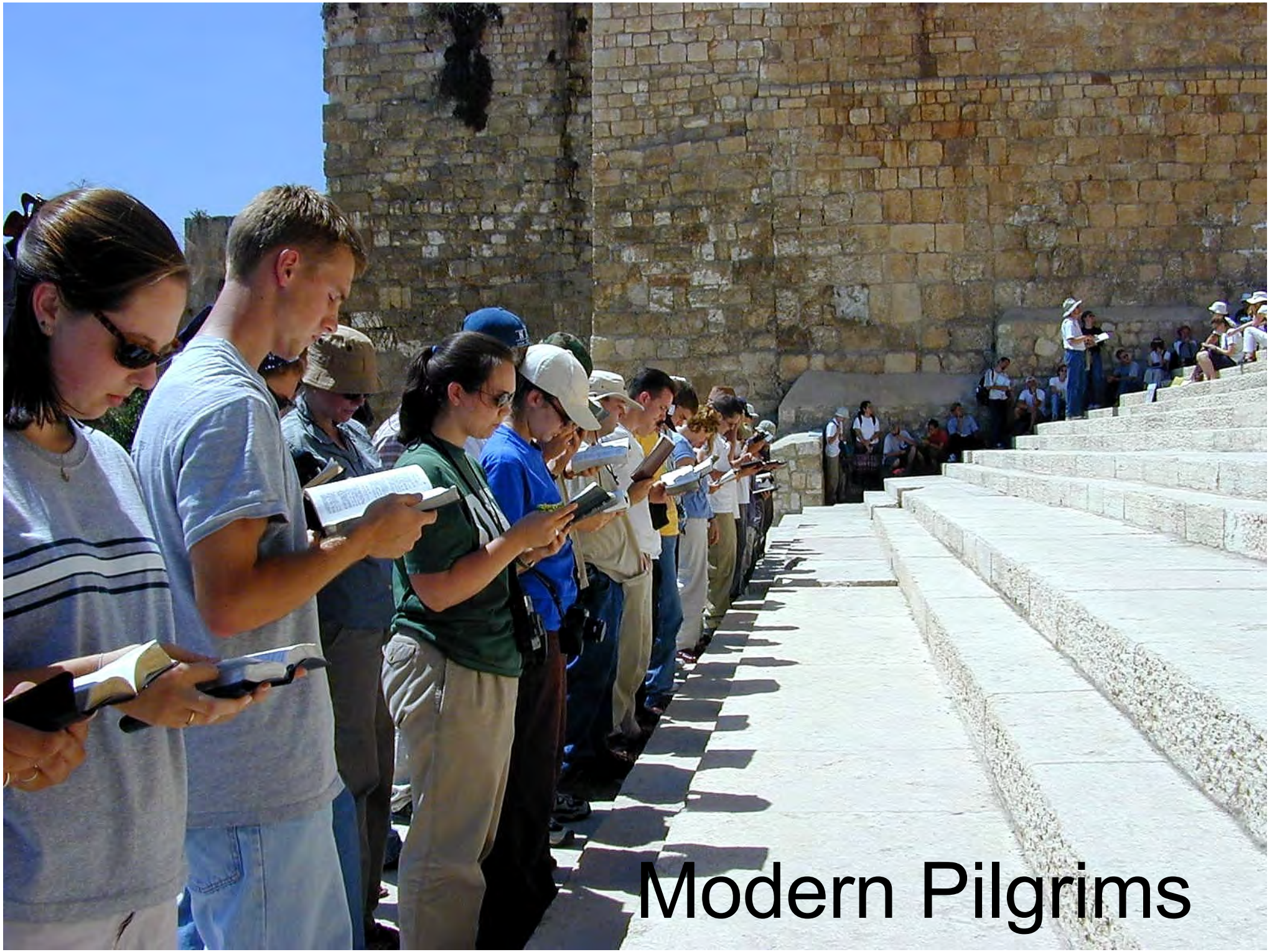
Herod's Temple Mount



15 Ascent Psalms

Psalms 120–134




Modern Pilgrims


Modern Pilgrims

11-Year-Old Finds Ancient Jerusalem Coin That May Have Been Minted at the Temple

11-24-2021 - Emily Jones



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AD 67 coin showing high priest on Siloam Pool to the Temple pilgrimage road

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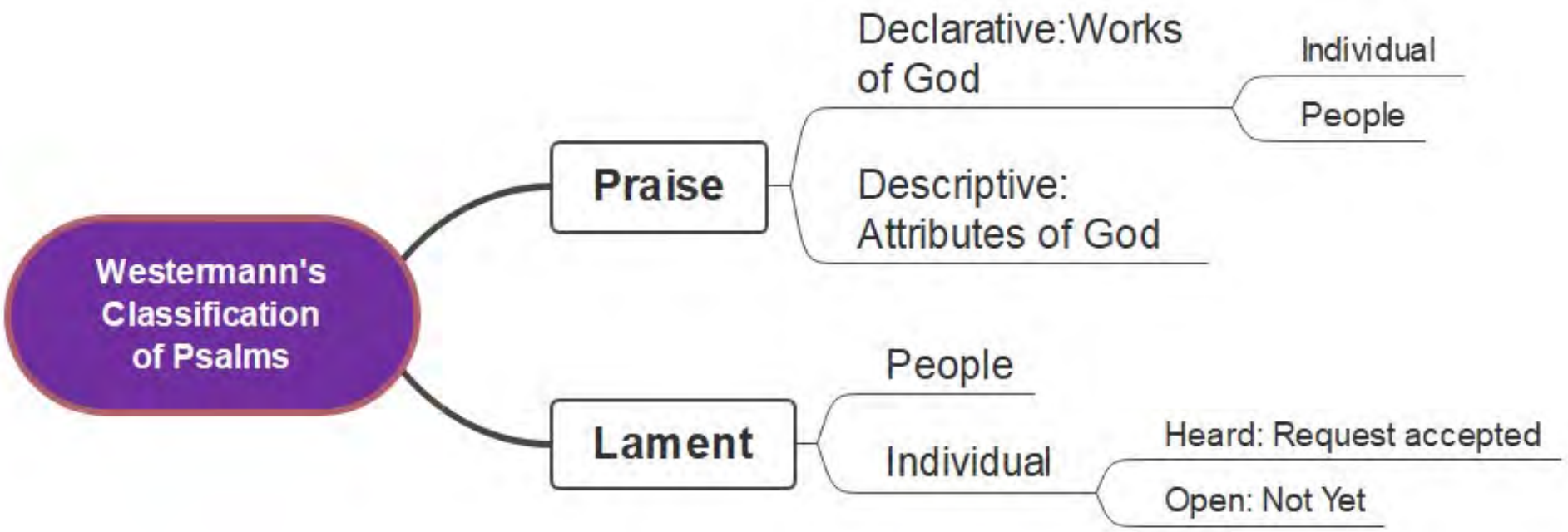
Praise & Lament



Individual Psalms Classified Generally

Praise (Worship): Worship of God for what He has done & for who He is		Lament (Petition): Request from God based on what He has done & for who He is	
Declarative: Actions of God	Descriptive: Attributes of God	Individual	People
Individual / People		Open / Heard	

Westermann's Psalms Classification Diagram



Praise Psalms

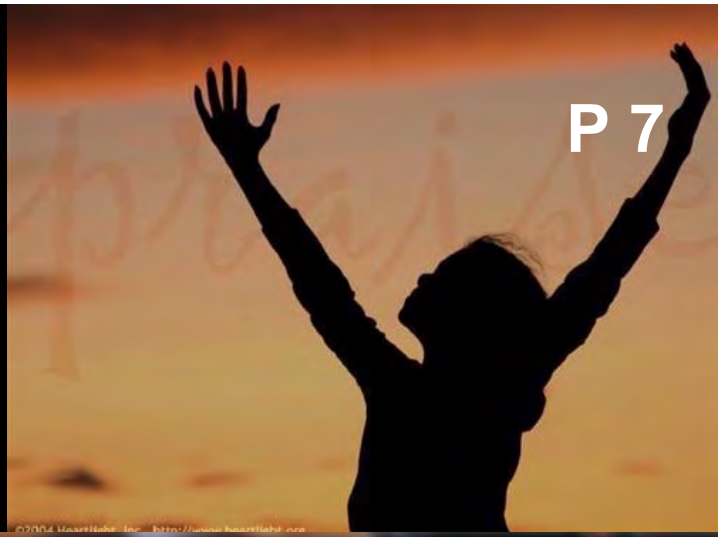


Descriptive Praise

"Sing joyfully to the LORD, you righteous;
it is fitting for the upright to praise Him.
Praise the LORD with the harp;
make music to him on the ten-stringed lyre.
Sing to him a new song; play skillfully,
and shout for joy."

Psalm 33:1-3

We need to praise God today!





Types of Psalms

- **Hymn (Descriptive Praise)**

"Sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done marvelous things;
His right hand and his holy arm
have worked salvation for him."

(Ps. 98:1)

Types of Psalms

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- **Hymn Structure (Descriptive Praise)**

Prologue: e.g., "Hallelujah"
Call to Praise
Cause for Praise
Conclusion: Renewed Call to Praise
Epilogue: e.g., "Hallelujah"

Lament Psalms

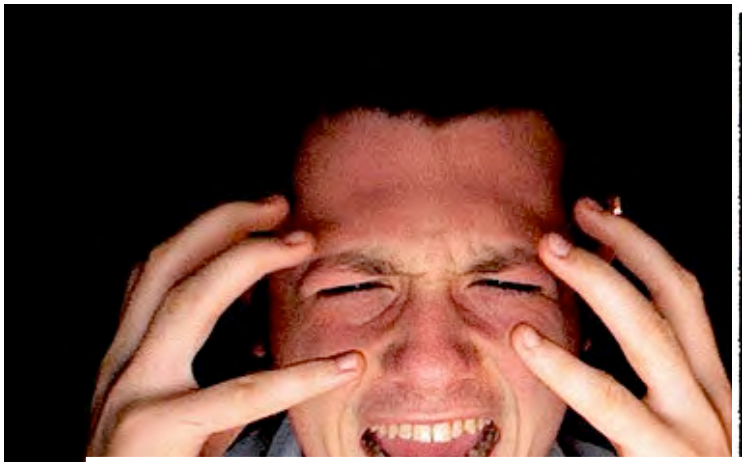


Lament

"LORD, hear my prayer!
Listen to my plea!
2 Don't turn away from me
in my time of distress.
Bend down to listen,
and answer me quickly when I call to you."

Psalm 102:1-2







Numbers:
Complaining
Judged

Psalms:
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When Can We Complain?

Numbers

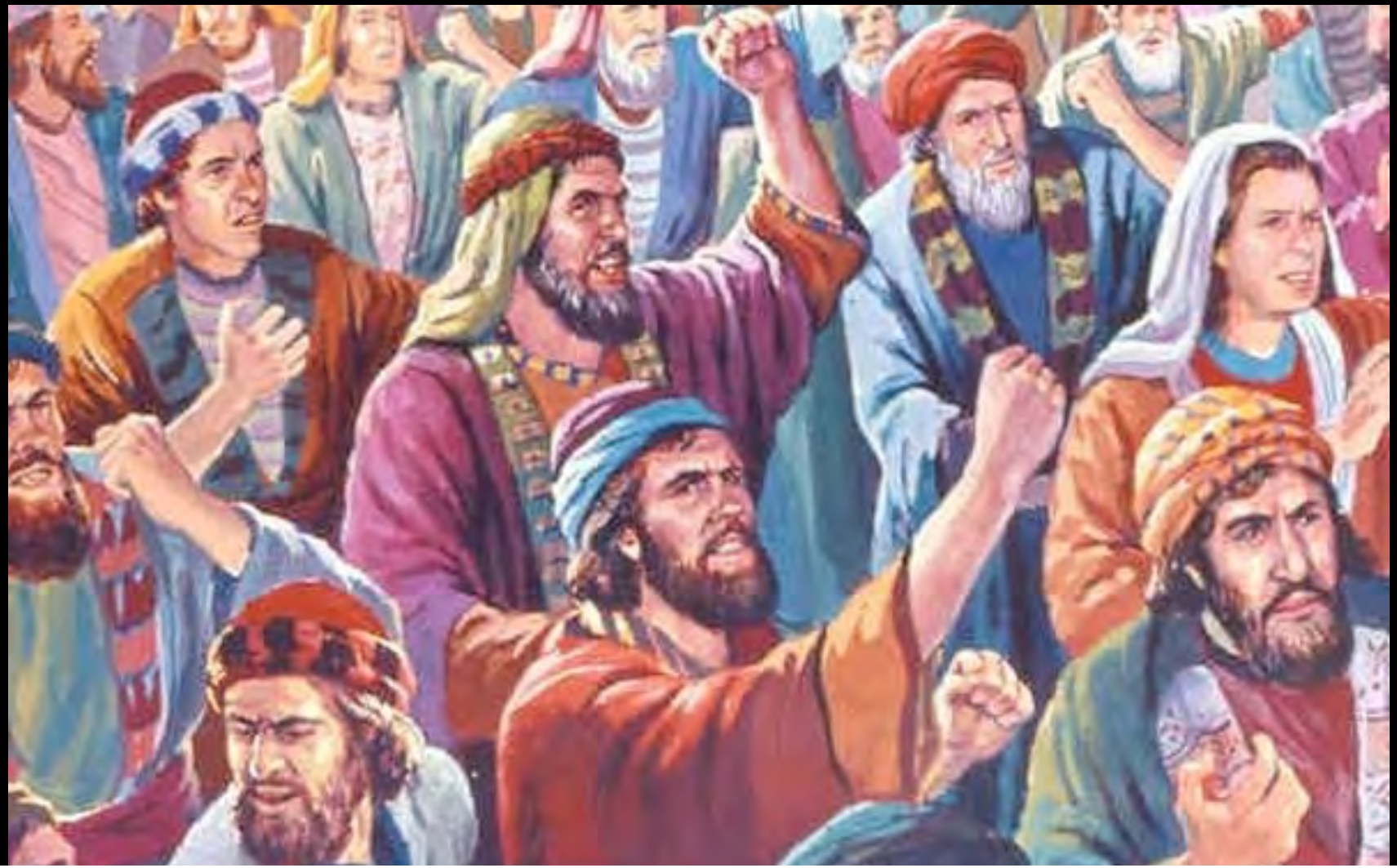
Preparation to Possess the Land

Preparing the Old Generation	Postponement for Unbelief	Preparing the New Generation
1:1–10:10	10:11–25:18	26–36
God's Faithfulness	Israel's Faithlessness	God's Faithfulness
God's Blessings	God's Discipline	God's Blessings
Israel's Commitment	Israel's Complaining	Israel's Commitment
Order	Disorder	Reorder
Mount Sinai	Wilderness	Moab
20 Days	38 Years, 3 Months, 10 Days	ca. 5 Months

Organization (1–4)	Sanctification (5:1–10:10)	To Kadesh (10:11–12:16)	Kadesh Sin (13–14)	Wilder-ness (15–19)	To Moab (20–21)	Moab Sin (22–25)	Provision for Land (26–27)	Offerings & Vows (28–30)	Final Preparations (31–36)

Complaining!

"Soon the people began to complain about their hardship, and the LORD heard everything they said" (Num 11:1a NLT).



Fire!

"Then the LORD's anger blazed against them, and he sent a fire to rage among them, and he destroyed some of the people in the outskirts of the camp. [2]Then the people screamed to Moses for help, and when he prayed to the LORD, the fire stopped. [3]After that, the area was known as Taberah (which means 'the place of burning'), because fire from the LORD had burned among them there"
(Num 11:1b-3 NLT).





Korah, Dathan and Abiram (Numbers 16:31-34)


More Complaining
"Then fire blazed forth from the LORD and burned up the 250 men who were offering incense" (Num 16:35 NLT).

Is Grumbling OK?



Grumbling in the Wilderness

Paul N. Benware, *Survey of the Old Testament,* 68

Why it took Moses 40 years to lead his people out of the wilderness



"He stood between the dead and the living, and the plague stopped" (Num 16:48 NLT).



"And the LORD said to Moses: 'Place Aaron's staff permanently before the Ark of the Covenant to serve as a warning to rebels. This should put an end to their complaints against me and prevent any further deaths.' [11] So Moses did as the LORD commanded him" (Num 17:10-11 NLT).



More Complaining



"Then the people of Israel set out from Mount Hor, taking the road to the Red Sea to go around the land of Edom. But the people grew impatient with the long journey, [5]and they began to speak against God and Moses. 'Why have you brought us out of Egypt to die here in the wilderness?' they complained. 'There is nothing to eat here and nothing to drink. And we hate this horrible manna!'" (Num 21:4-5 NLT).

"So the LORD sent poisonous snakes among the people, and many were bitten and died. 7Then the people came to Moses and cried out, 'We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you. Pray that the LORD will take away the snakes.' So Moses prayed for the people" (Numbers 21:6-7 NLT).




The Bronze Serpent
Numbers 21:8-9

Grumbling in the Wilderness

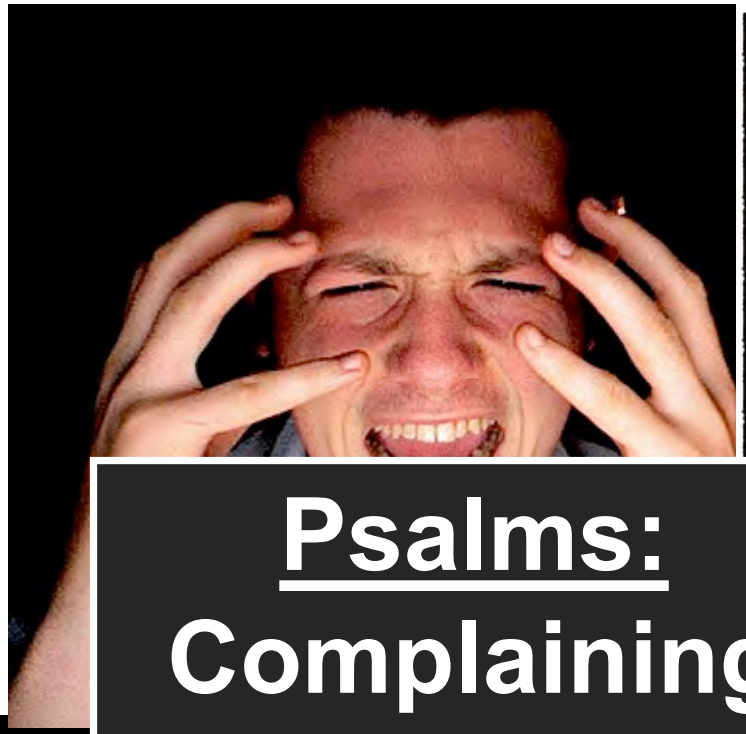
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SCRIPTURE	ISRAEL'S COMPLAINT	MOSES' RESPONSE	GOD'S RESPONSE
Exod. 14:11	Pharaoh's army	Encouraged Israel to trust God	Delivered Israel
Exod. 15:24	Bitter water	Cried out to God	"Healed" the water
Exod. 16:2	Lack of food	Rebuked Israel	Supplied manna
Exod. 17:2	Lack of water	Prayed to the Lord	Water from the rock
Num. 11:1	God providing food	Anger & prayer	Judgment
Num. 14:2	Moses' leadership	Pled with Israel, prayed to God	Judgment
Num. 16:2	Moses' leadership	Rebuked & prayed	Judgment
Num. 16:41	Moses	Prayed	Judgment
Num. 20:2	Moses & lack of water	Rebuked Israel Struck rock	Supplied water
Num. 21:4	Moses & manna	No response	Judgment



"Do everything without complaining and arguing" (Phil 2:14)







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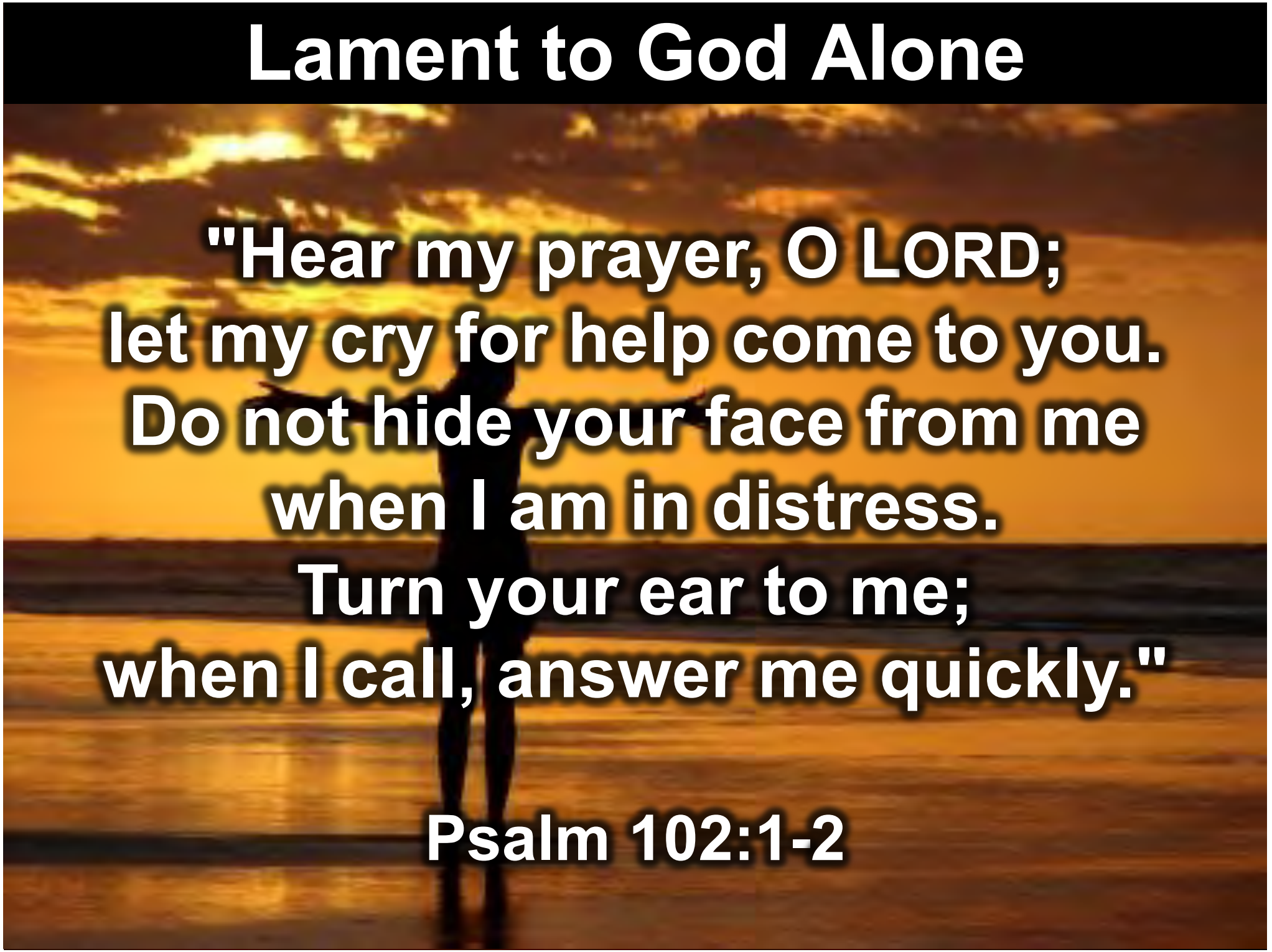
When Can We Complain?



Legitimate complaining is to the one who can solve the problem!



Lament to God Alone



Songs of Trust



These lament psalms have extended confidence sections

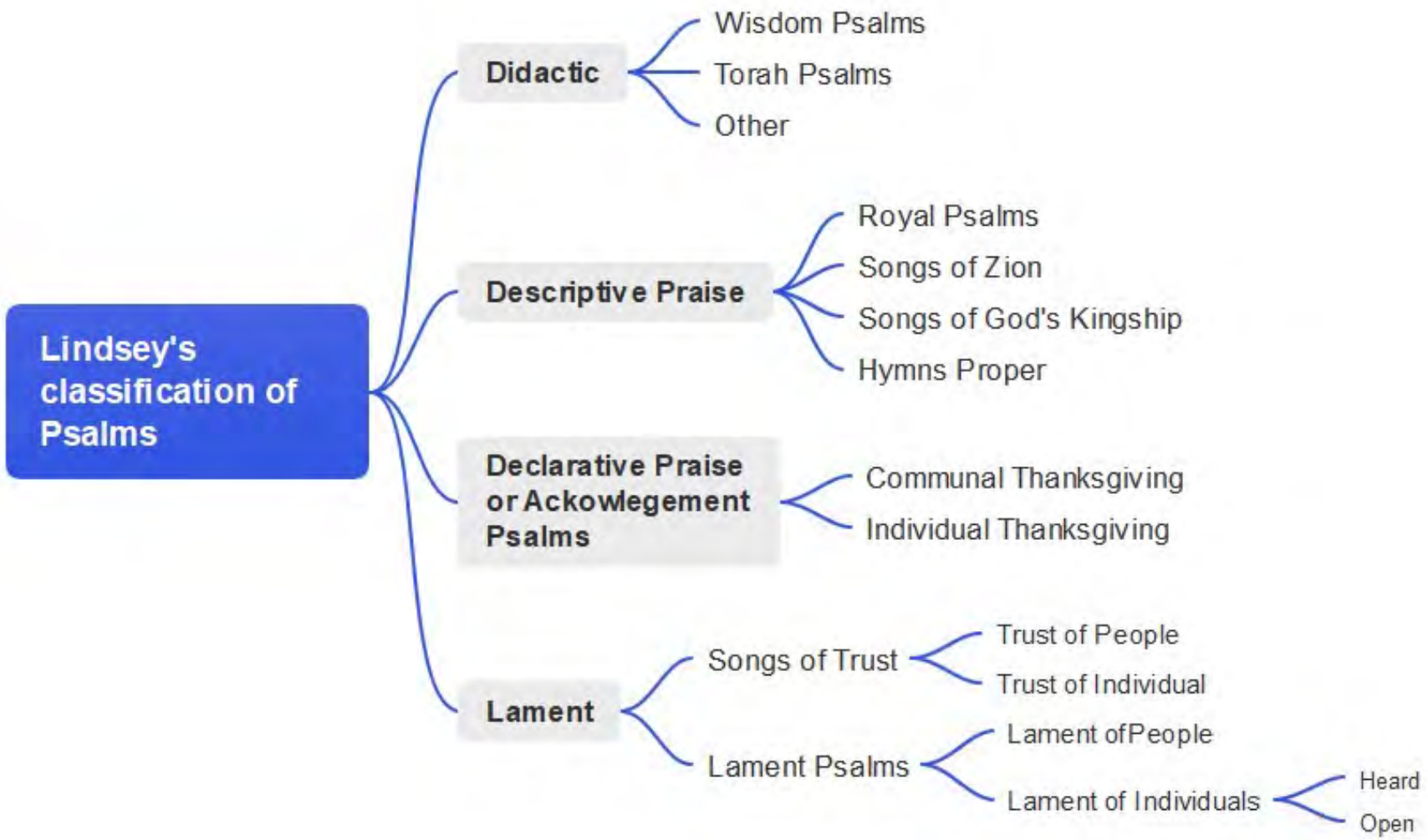
Psalm 23 is a Song of Trust

[1]The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.
[2]He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, [3]he restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. [4]Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. [5]You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. [6]Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

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Classification of Each Psalm
(F. Duane Lindsey)

Lindsey's Psalms Classification Diagram



Types of Psalms

- Hymn
- **Penitential**

"Then I acknowledged my sin to you
and did not cover up my iniquity.
I said, 'I will confess
my transgressions to the Lord'
And you forgave
the guilt of my sin."

(Ps. 32:5)

Types of Psalms

"Why are you downcast, O my soul?

Why so disturbed within me?"

(Ps. 42:5)

- **Lament**
- Imprecatory
- History

Types of Psalms

- **Lament Structure (Petition Psalm)**

Address/Lament
Confession of Trust (Confidence)
Petition
Vow of Praise (Declarative)

Petition

Vindicate me, O God, and plead my cause… rescue me from deceitful and wicked men.

Psalm 43:1

Types of Psalms

- Hymn
- Penitential
- **Wisdom**

Blessed is the man

who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked

(Ps. 1:1)

Types of Psalms

For God is the King of all the earth;
sing to Him a psalm of praise
(Ps. 47:7)

- **Royal**

O LORD, the king rejoices in your strength.
How great is his joy in the victories you give!
(Ps. 21:1)

Types of Psalms

Pour out your wrath on them;
let your fierce anger overtake them.

(Ps. 69:24)

Imprecatory Psalms

May they be blotted out of the book of life
and not be listed with the righteous.

(Ps. 69:28)

Types of Psalms

He did miracles in the sight of their fathers;
in the land of Egypt, in the region of Zoan.
He divided the sea and led them through;
He made the water stand firm like a wall.

(Ps. 78:12-13)

- **History**

Rebuke

Why do you boast of evil, you mighty man? Why do you boast all day long, you who are a disgrace in the eyes of God? Your tongue plots destruction; it is like a sharpened razor, you who practice deceit. You love evil rather than good, falsehood rather than speaking the truth.

Psalm 52:1-3

Blessing

Blessed is the man whose sin the LORD does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit …

Psalm 32:2

Song of Trust

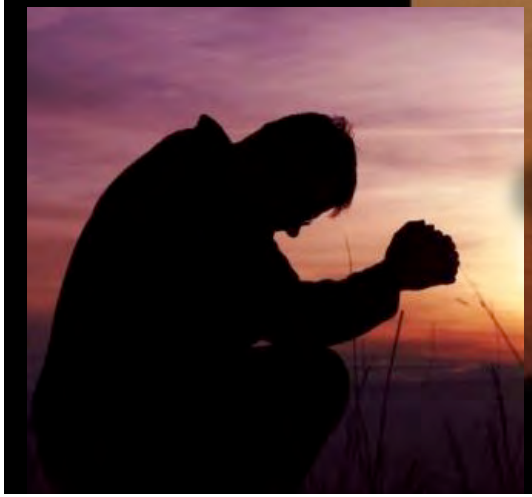
Why are you downcast, I my soul?
Why so disturbed within me?
Put your hope in God, for I will yet
praise him, my Savior and my God.

Psalm 43:5

The Gaze-Glance Principle

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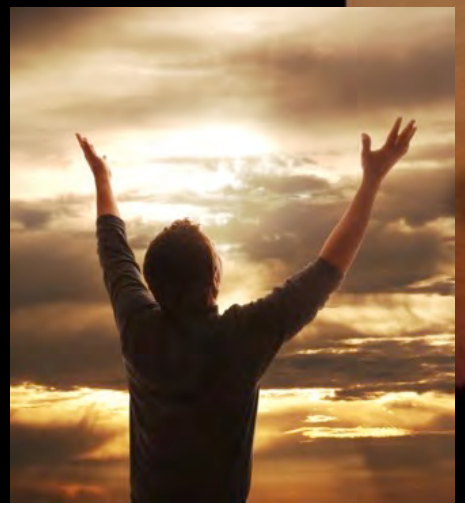
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God

Gaze

Glance

Our Request



Praise is in Every Psalm!

"My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD, and all flesh shall bless his holy name forever and ever"

(Psalm 145:21)



Overview

- Introduction
- What place did the Psalms have in OT times?
- How did the Israelites worship God through the Psalms?
- How are the Psalms relevant for Christians today?

Psalms must be correctly interpreted

Characteristics of Hebrew Poetry

1. Stress Patterns (not rhymes)
2. Evocative language
3. Acrostic Arrangement
4. Thought Rhyme


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The Key:
Hebrew Parallelism



"the repetition of meaning in parallel expressions" (Ross, *BKC*, 1:780)

What is Parallelism?

PARALLELISM



Similarities & Differences

Two categories of Parallelism :

- **Grammatical Parallelism (syntax)**
- **Semantic Parallelism (meaning of words)**

PARALLELISM

"Then He rebukes them in his anger
And in his wrath he terrifies them."
(Psalm 2:5)

Semantic parallelism:
rebukes* and *terrifies
anger* and *wrath* are *parallel in meaning

Grammatical parallelism:
Verb -- direct object -- prepositional phrase
Prepositional phrase -- verb -- direct object

Tips for Interpreting the Psalms

A. Pay attention to structure

B. Summarize the psalm in a sentence (p. 387)

C. Consider titles and background information in their superscriptions

D. Classify the psalm using Lindsey's p. 386

E. Interpret the psalm's incomplete theology in light of NT revelation (e.g., Ps. 51:11)

F. Reword figures of speech and parallelisms

G. Use NT allusions and/or quotations but don't read back into the text what the OT author would not have understood (e.g., Ps. 16:10 expanded in Acts 2:25-31)

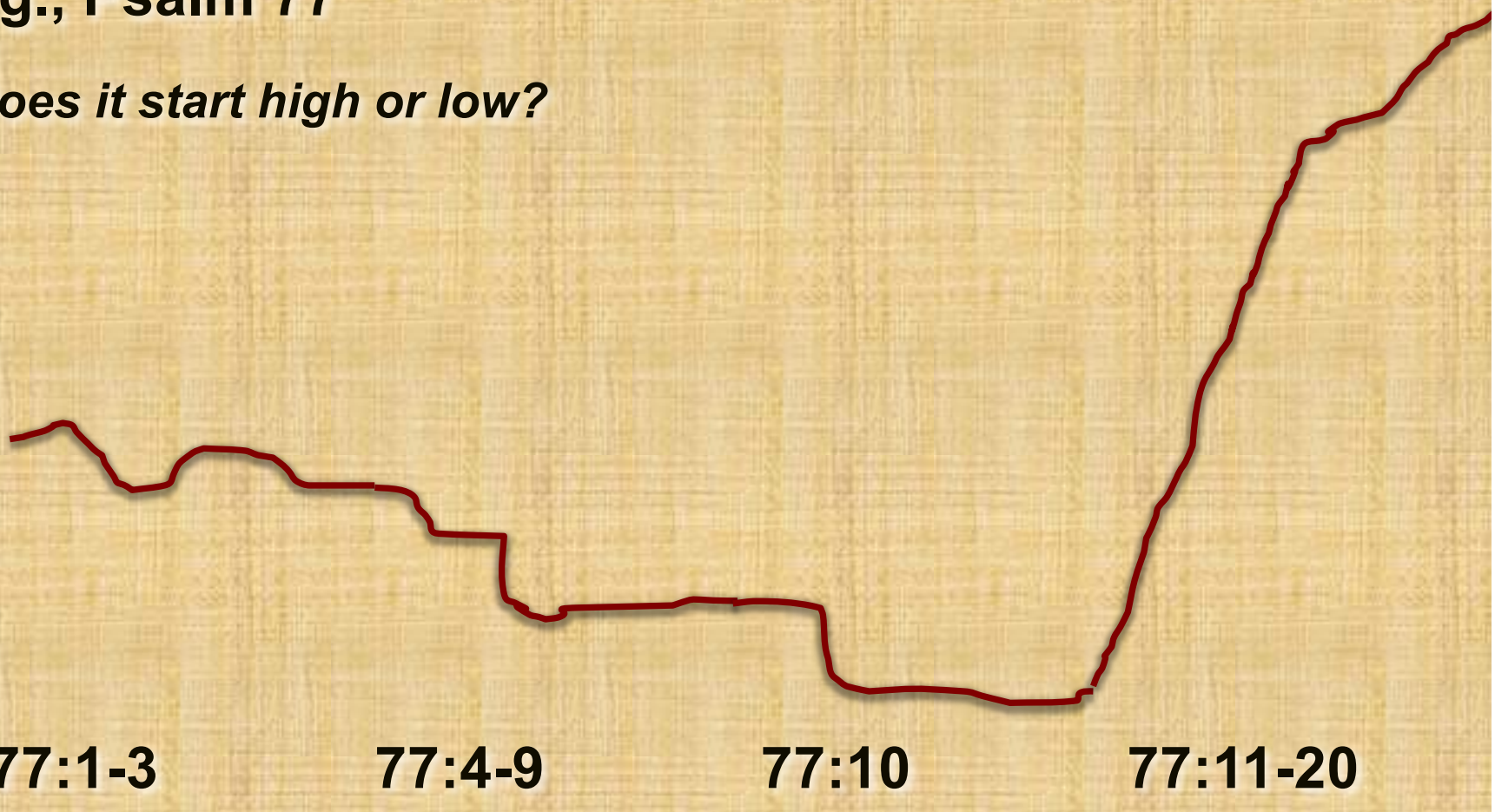
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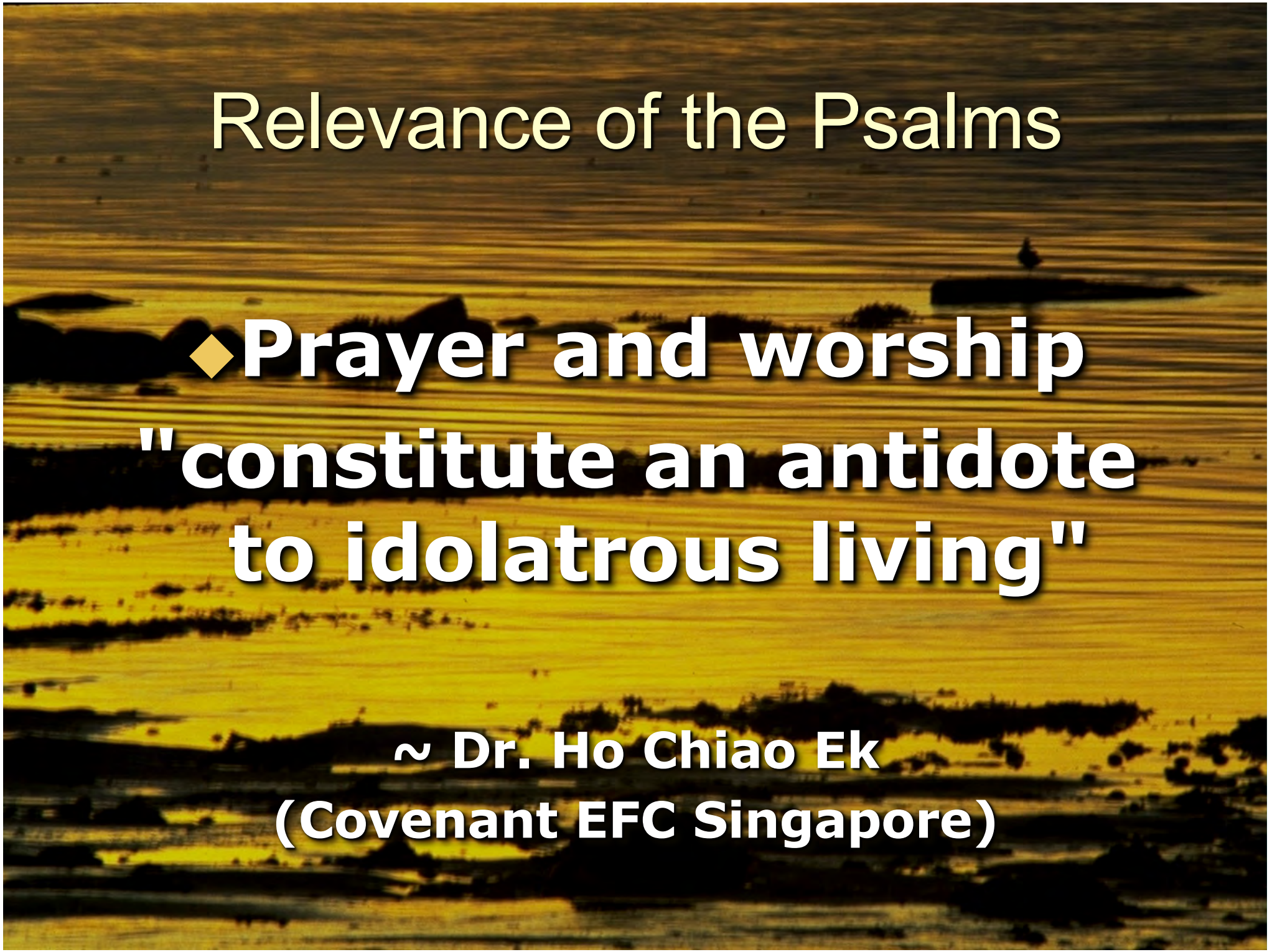
H. Read psalms slowly (in our speed-reading day).

I. Graph the emotional outline of the psalm.

e.g., Psalm 77

Does it start high or low?




Relevance of the Psalms
Prayer and worship "constitute an antidote to idolatrous living"
~ Dr. Ho Chiao Ek
(Covenant EFC Singapore)


"Be still and know that I am God."
Psalm 46:10

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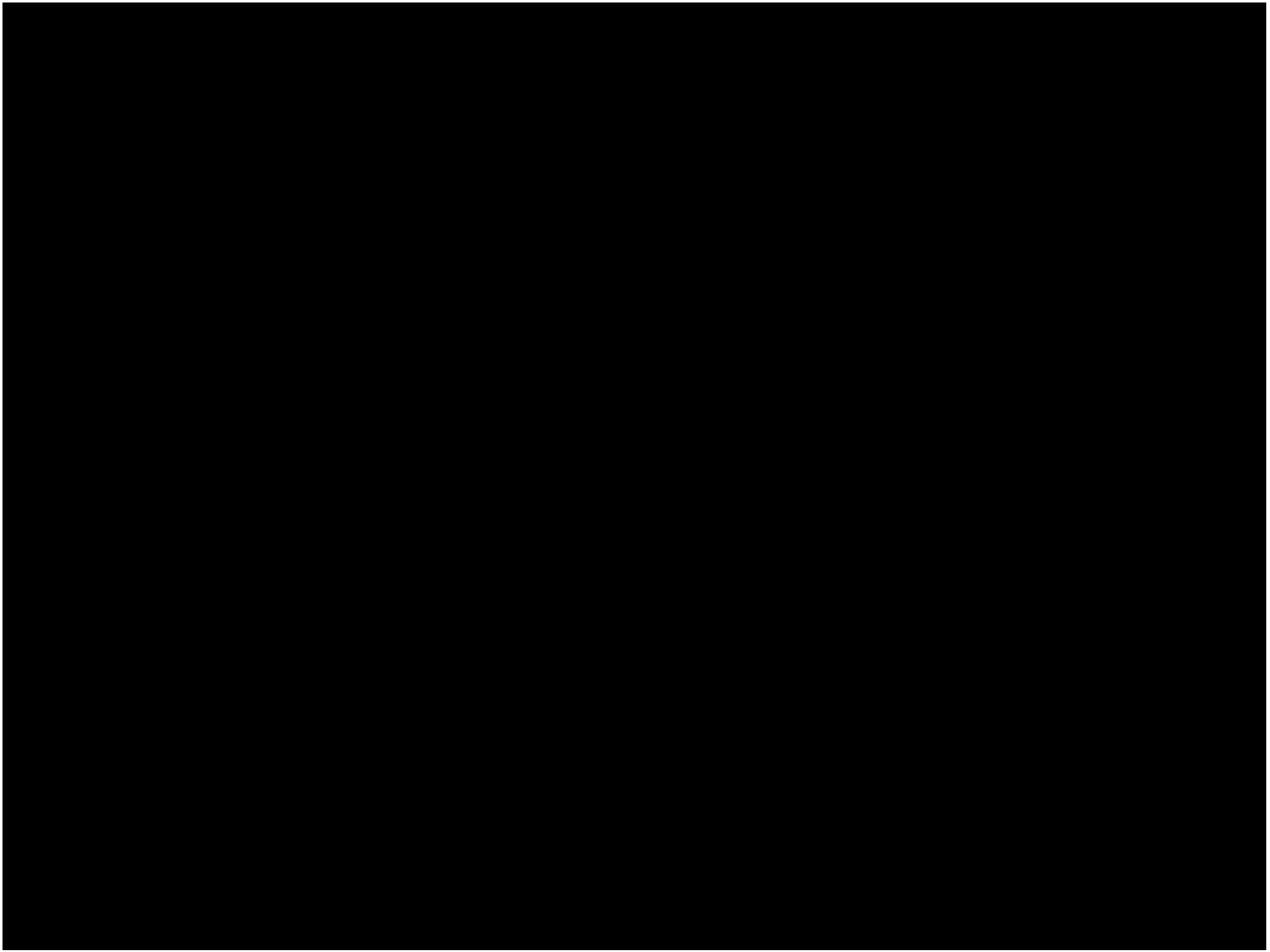
Summary Statement

Praise and petition God for who He is and what He has done in providing wisdom, protection, Messianic fulfillment, and His Word to be humble before Him in trust and thanksgiving

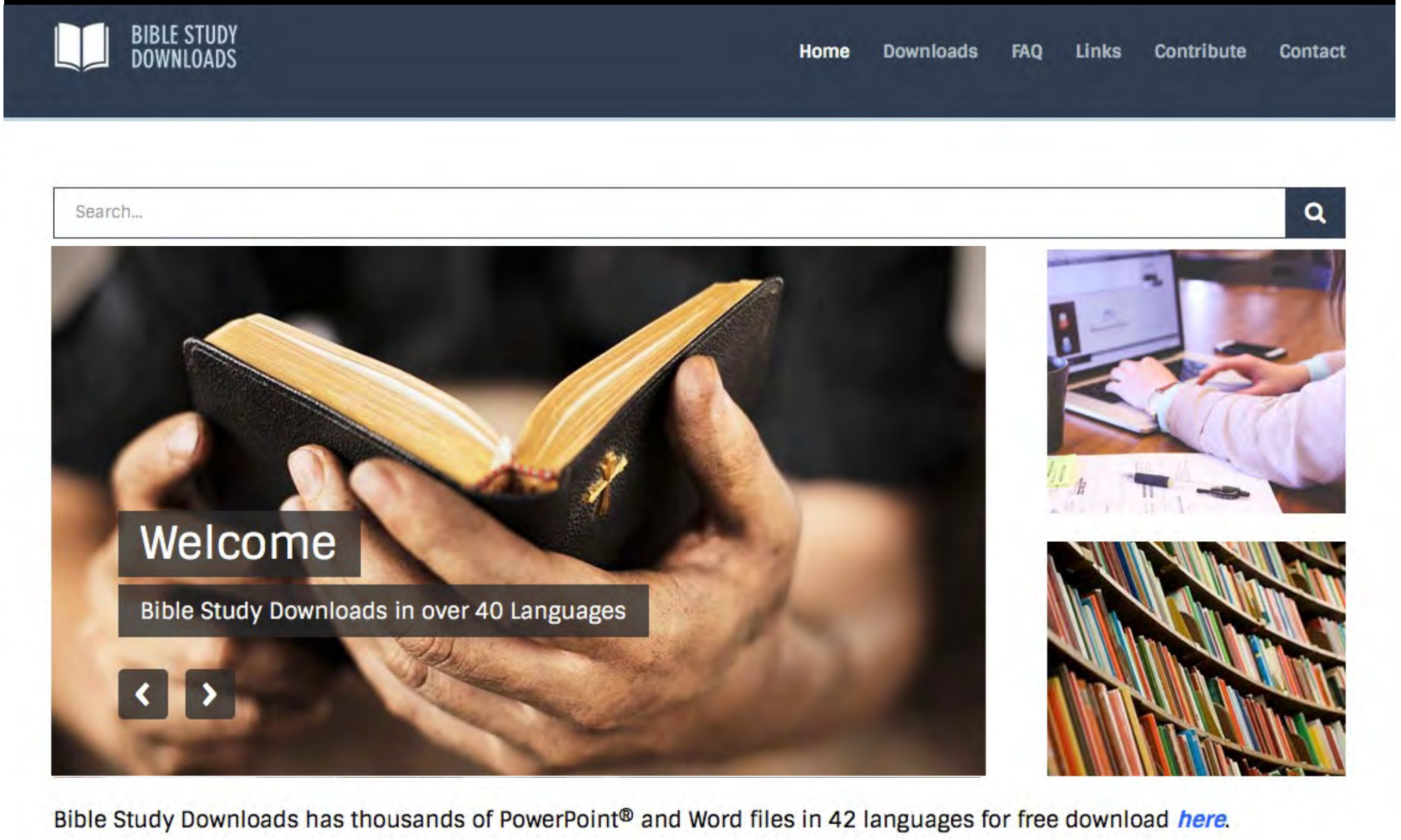
Psalms



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Psalm 1

Types of Psalms

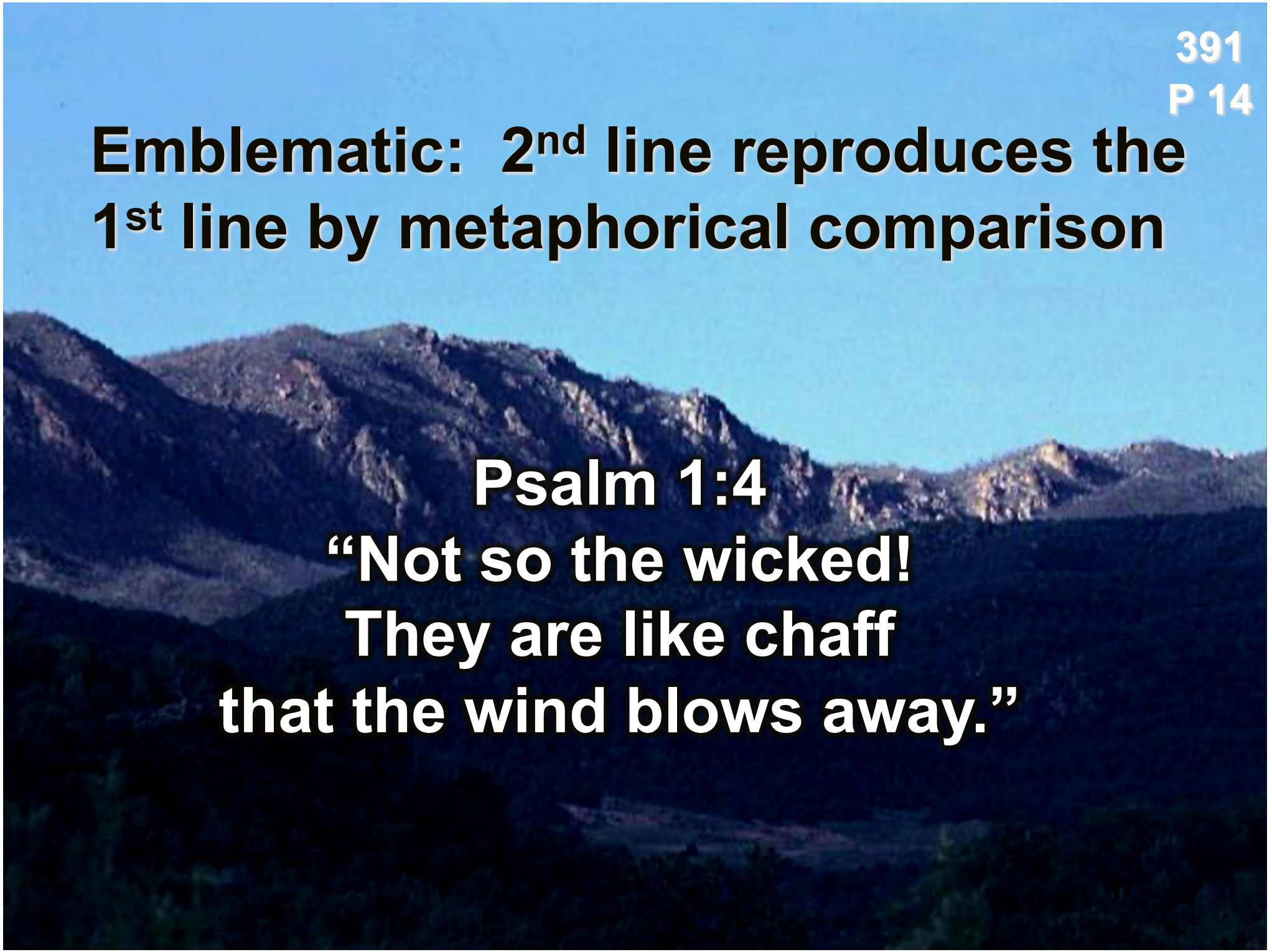
- Hymn
- Penitential
- **Wisdom**

Blessed is the man

who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked

(Ps. 1:1)

Emblematic: 2nd line reproduces the 1st line by metaphorical comparison



Psalm 1:4
"Not so the wicked!
They are like chaff
that the wind blows away."

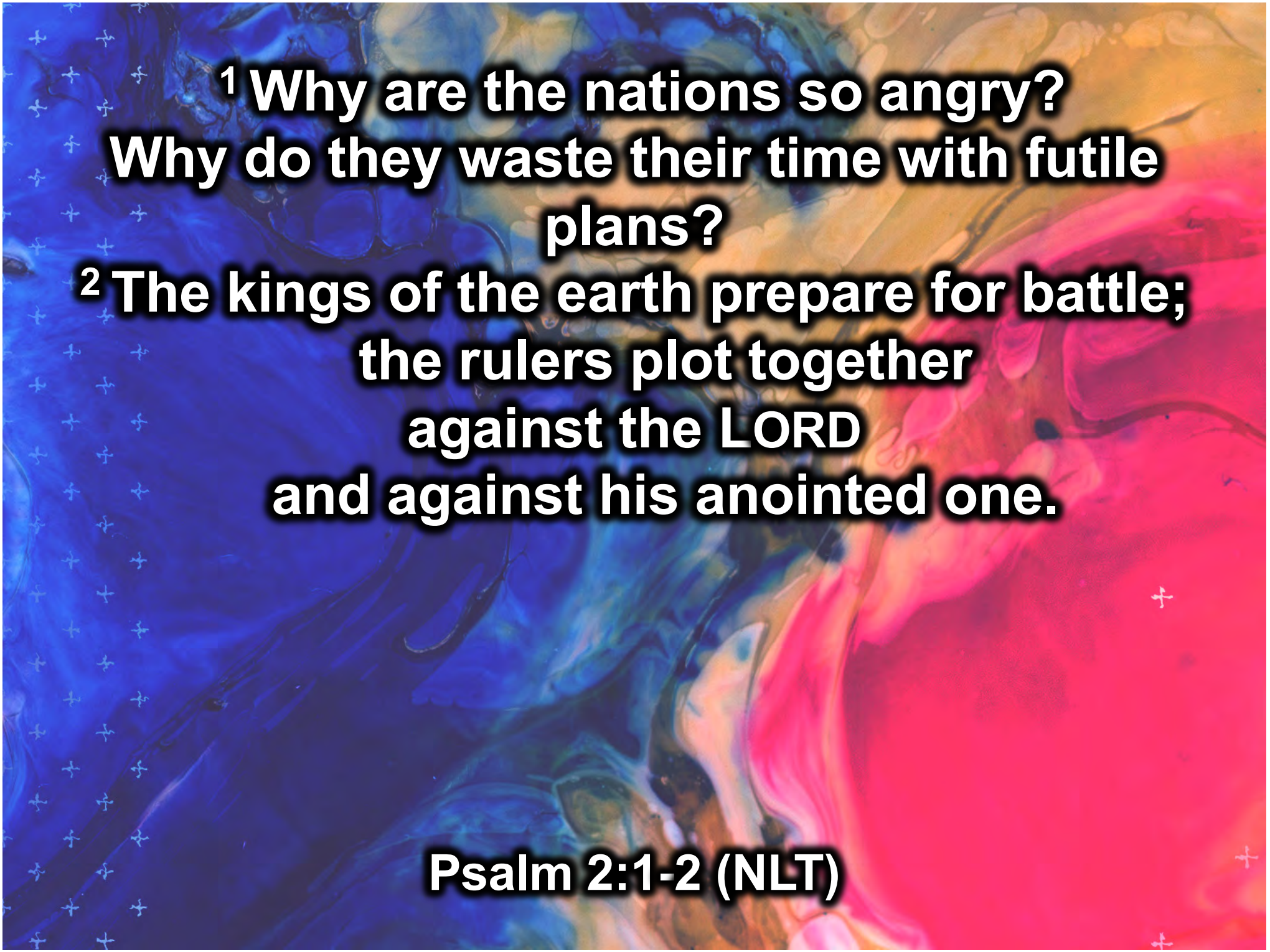
Antithetic: 2nd line offers a contrast of thought to the 1st

Psalm 1:6

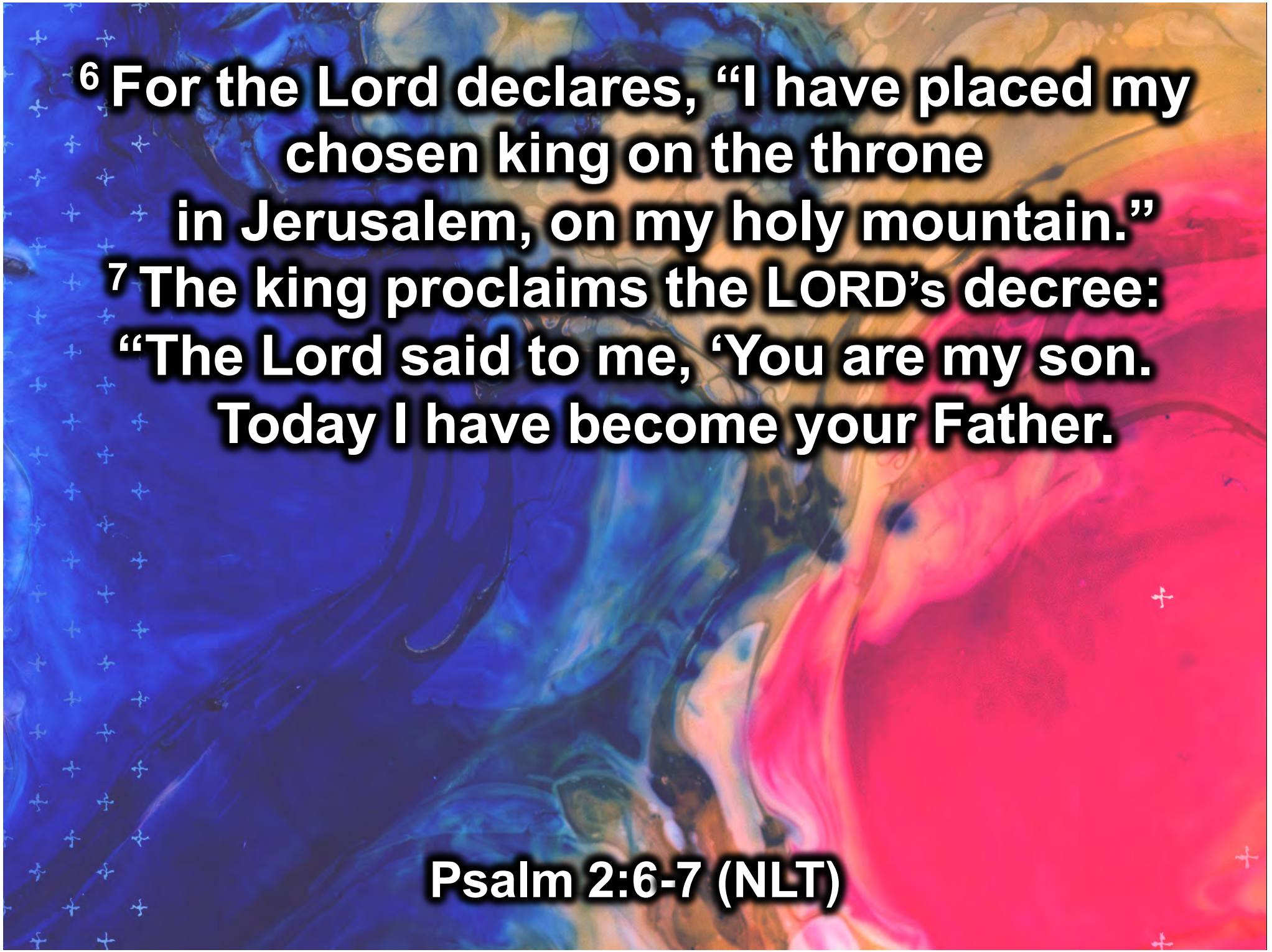
"For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish."

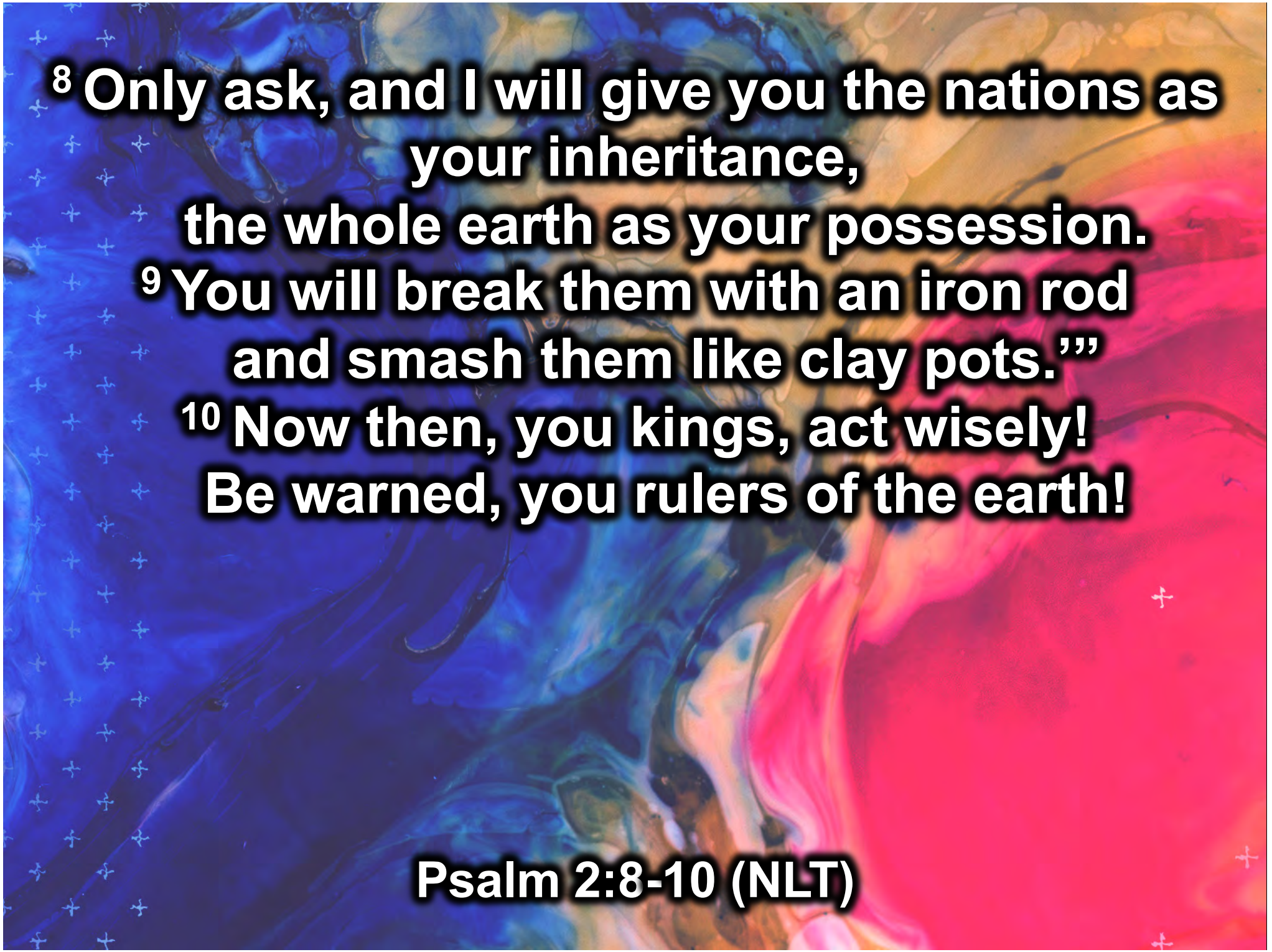
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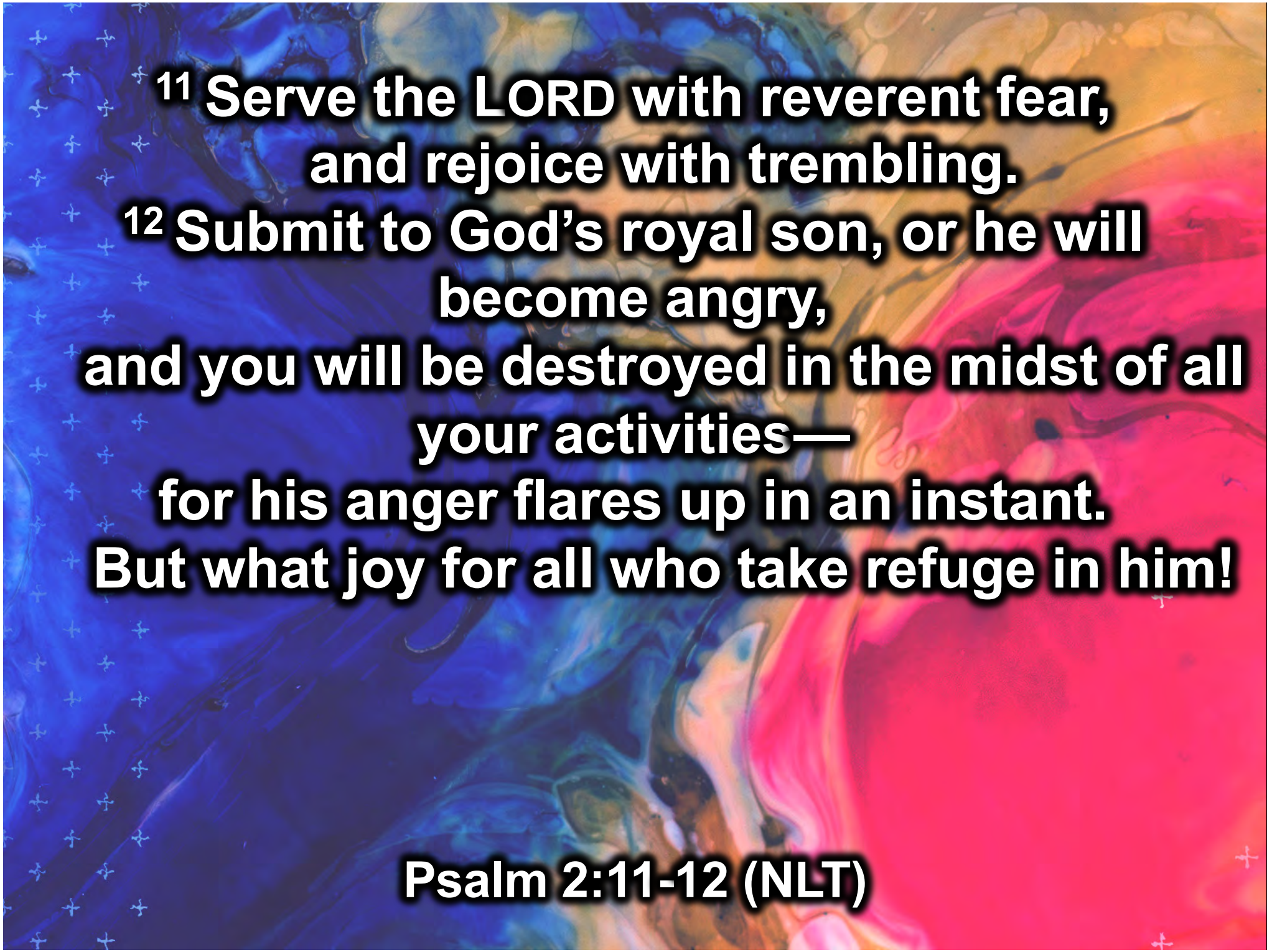

Psalm 2
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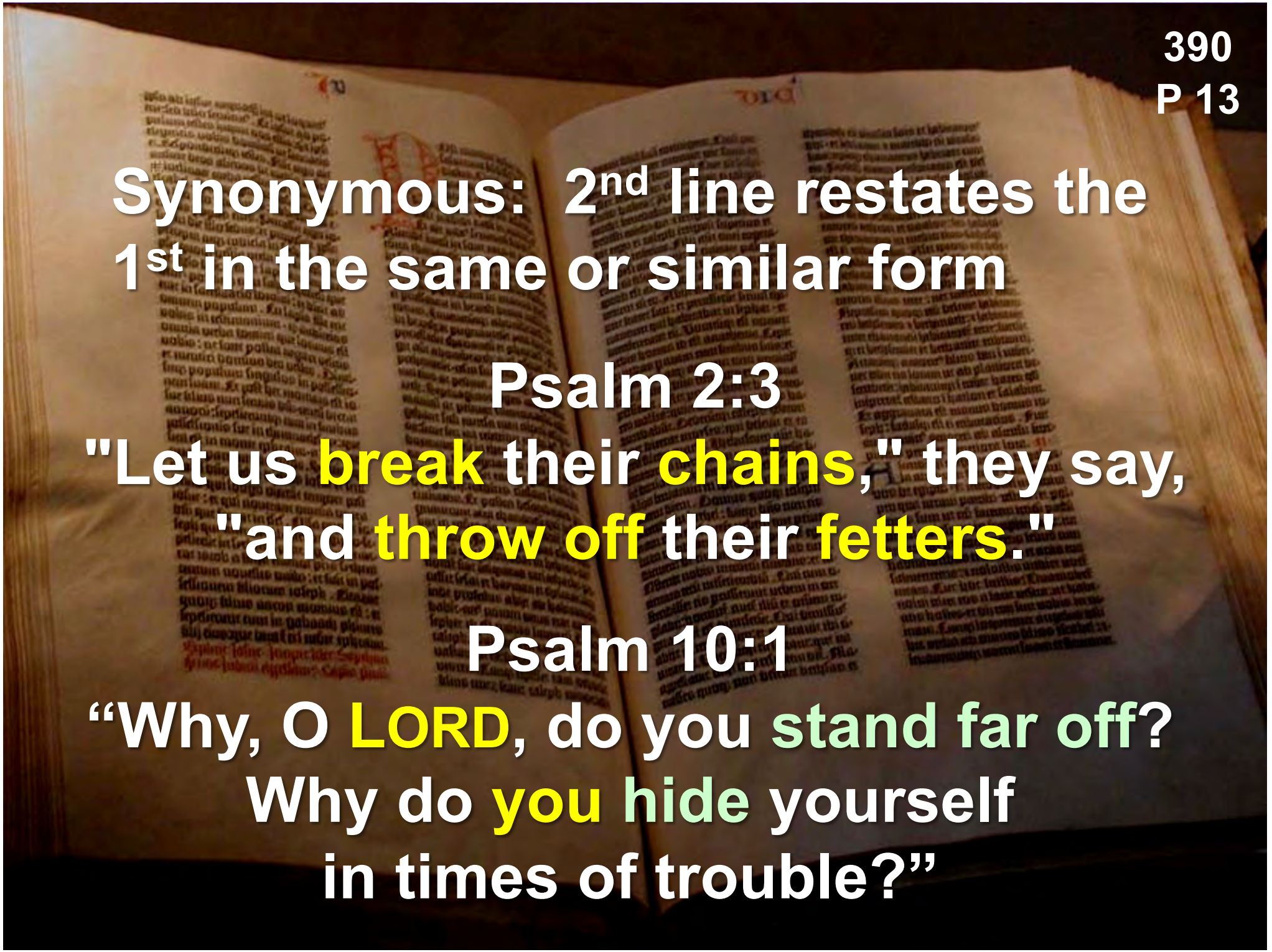

1 Why are the nations so angry?
Why do they waste their time with futile plans?
2 The kings of the earth prepare for battle;
the rulers plot together
against the LORD
and against his anointed one.
Psalm 2:1-2 (NLT)


3 “Let us break their chains,” they cry,
“and free ourselves from slavery to God.”
4 But the one who rules in heaven laughs.
The Lord scoffs at them.
5 Then in anger he rebukes them,
terrifying them with his fierce fury.
Psalm 2:3-5 (NLT)


6 For the Lord declares, “I have placed my
chosen king on the throne
in Jerusalem, on my holy mountain.”
7 The king proclaims the LORD’s decree:
“The Lord said to me, ‘You are my son.
Today I have become your Father.
Psalm 2:6-7 (NLT)


8 Only ask, and I will give you the nations as
your inheritance,
the whole earth as your possession.
9 You will break them with an iron rod
and smash them like clay pots.’”
10 Now then, you kings, act wisely!
Be warned, you rulers of the earth!
Psalm 2:8-10 (NLT)


11 Serve the LORD with reverent fear,
and rejoice with trembling.
12 Submit to God's royal son, or he will
become angry,
and you will be destroyed in the midst of all
your activities—
for his anger flares up in an instant.
But what joy for all who take refuge in him!
Psalm 2:11-12 (NLT)



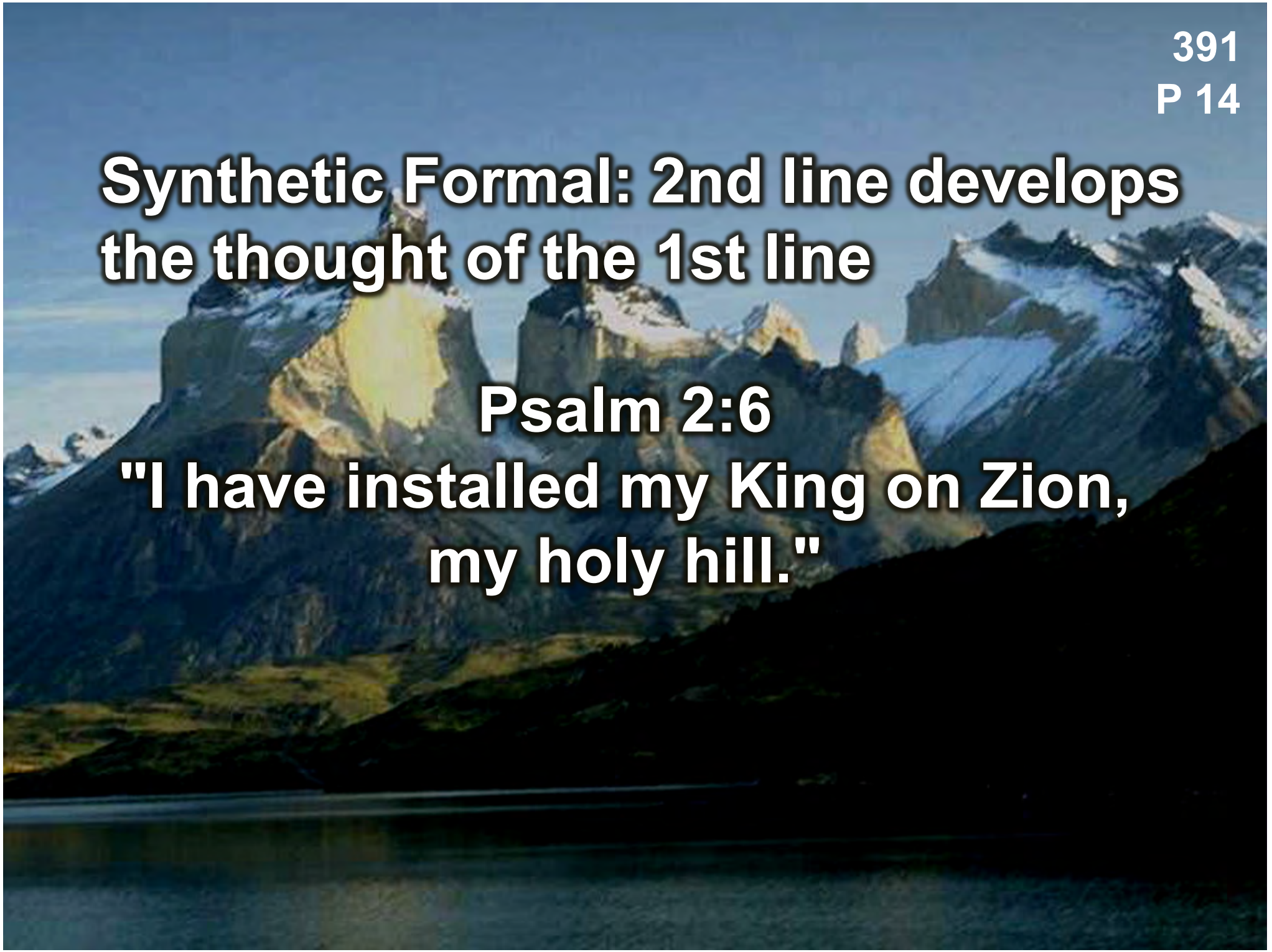
Synonymous: 2nd line restates the 1st in the same or similar form

Psalm 2:3

"Let us break their chains," they say,
"and throw off their fetters."

Psalm 10:1

"Why, O LORD, do you stand far off?
Why do you hide yourself
in times of trouble?"



Synthetic Formal: 2nd line develops the thought of the 1st line

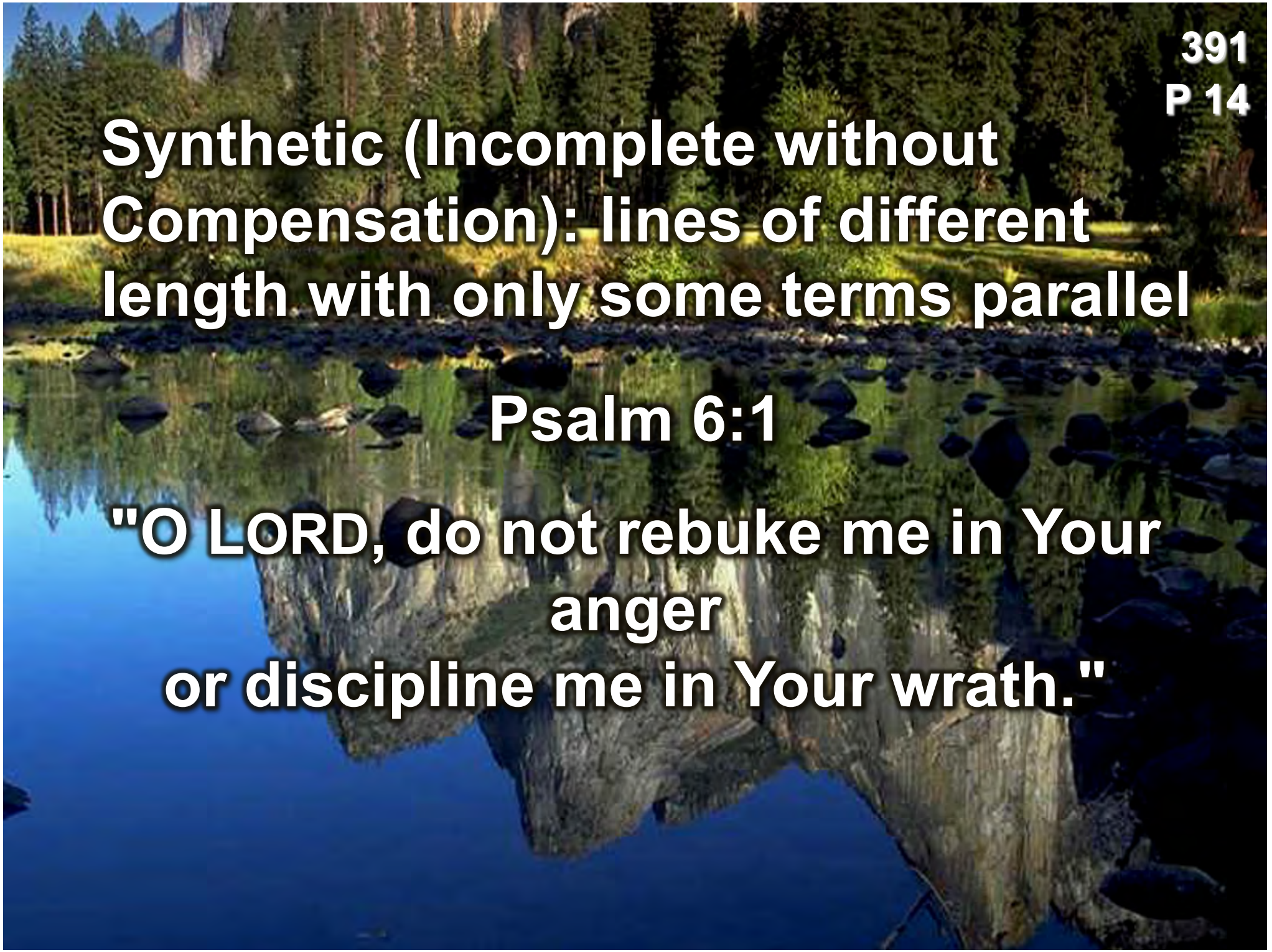
Psalm 2:6
"I have installed my King on Zion,
my holy hill."

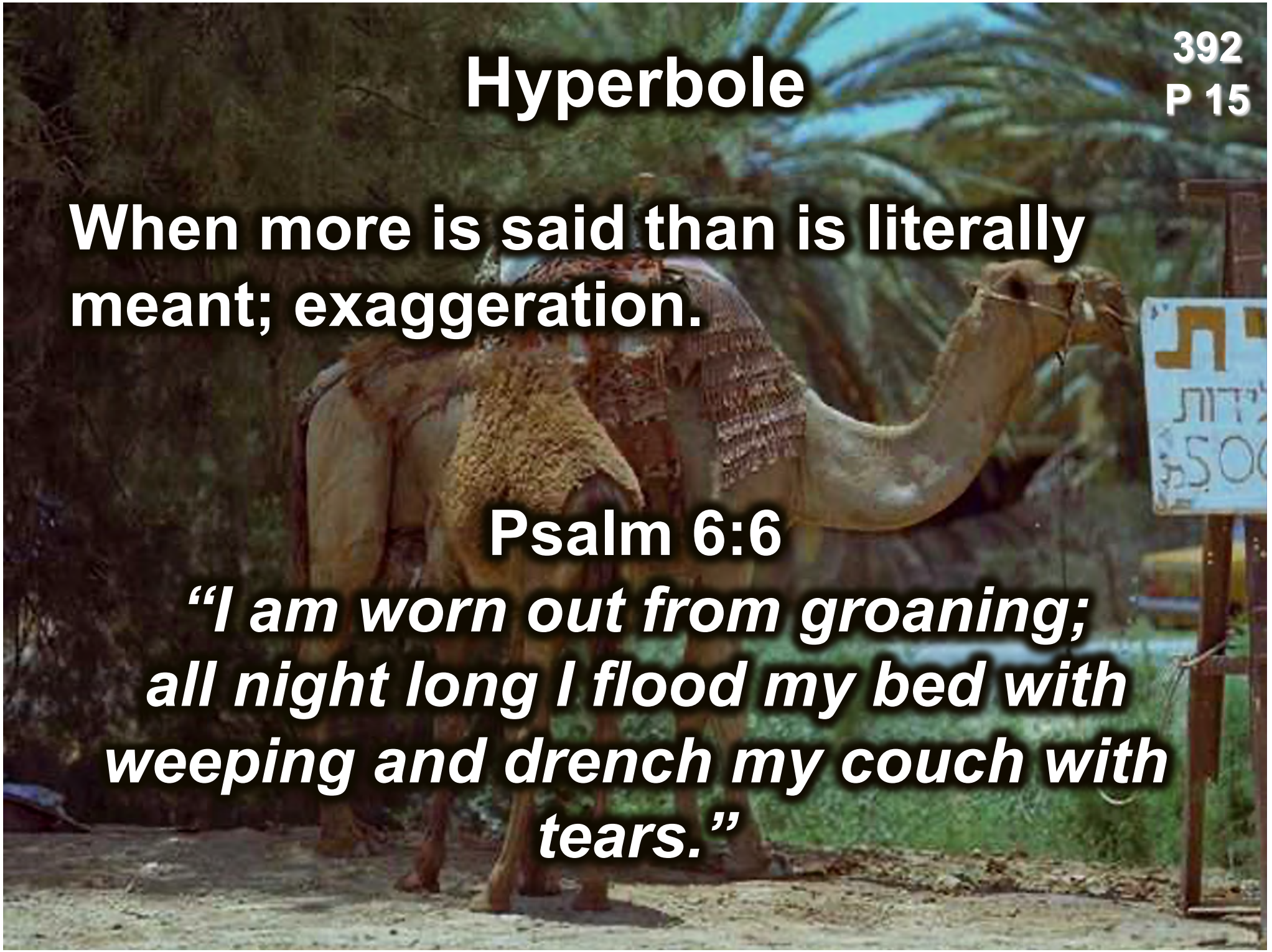
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Psalm 4

Psalm 5

Psalm 6

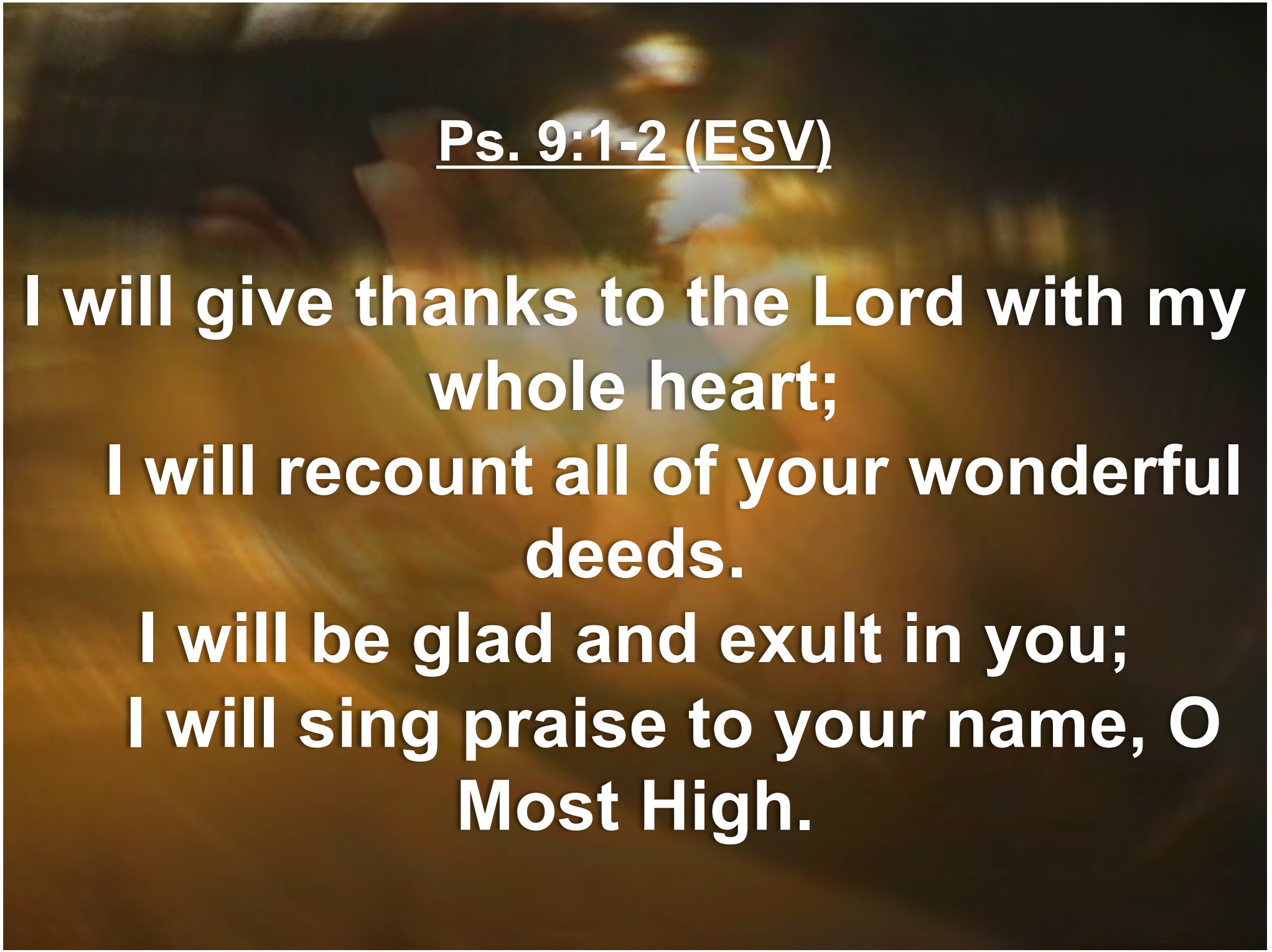

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Synthetic (Incomplete without Compensation): lines of different length with only some terms parallel
Psalm 6:1
"O LORD, do not rebuke me in Your anger
or discipline me in Your wrath."

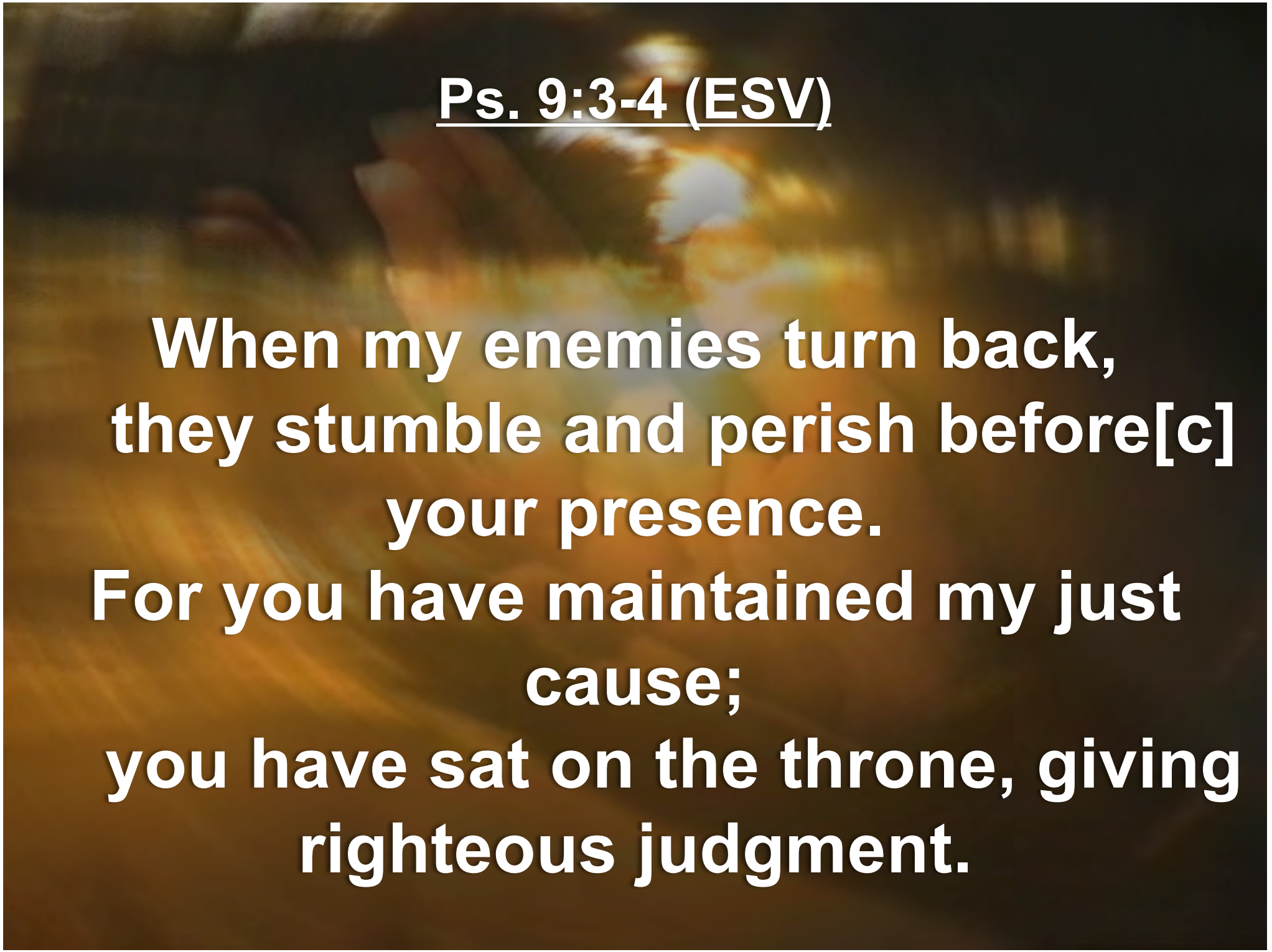

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Hyperbole
When more is said than is literally meant; exaggeration.
Psalm 6:6
“I am worn out from groaning; all night long I flood my bed with weeping and drench my couch with tears.”

Psalm 7

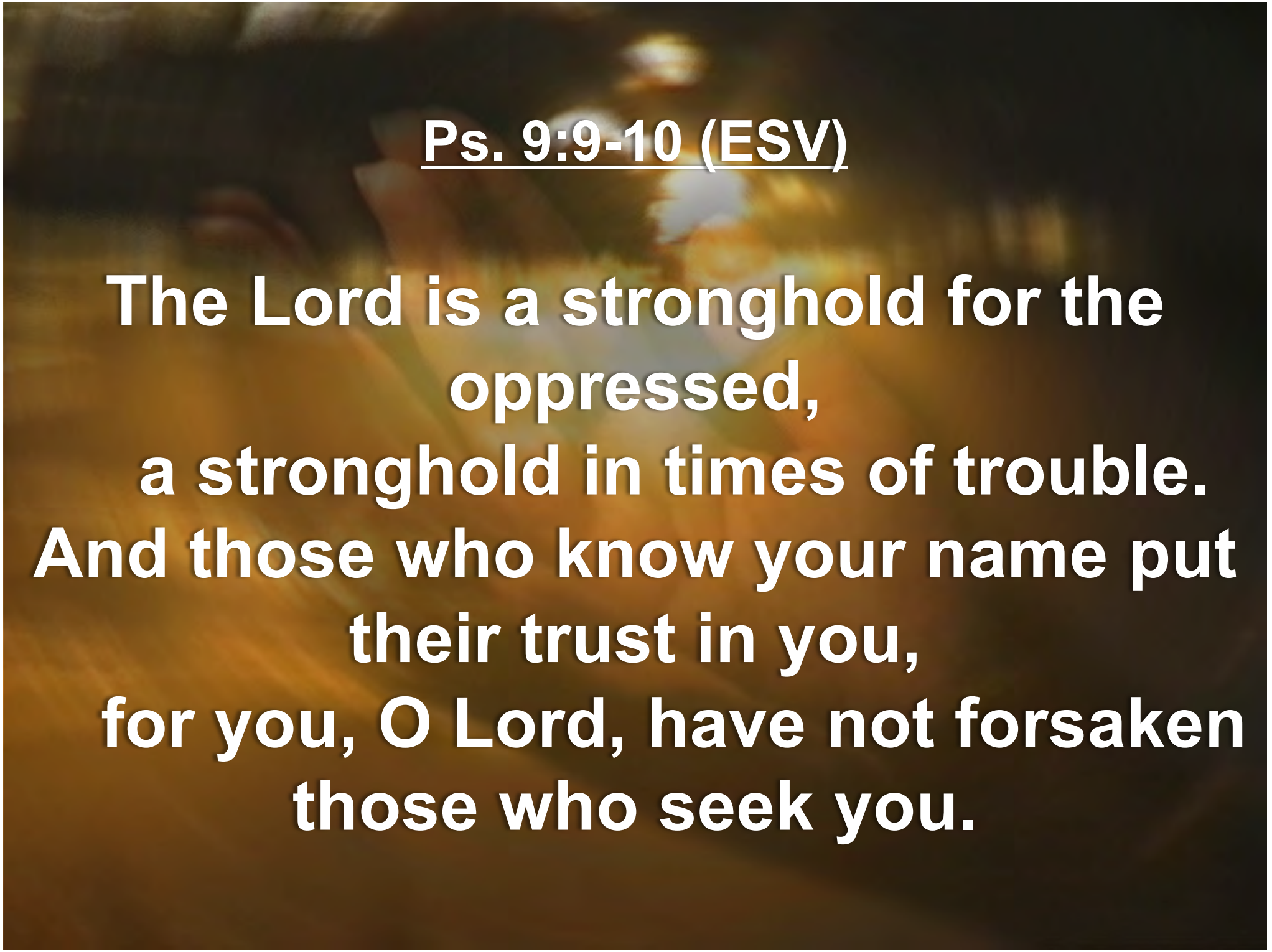
Psalm 8

Psalm 9


Ps. 9:1-2 (ESV)
I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;
I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.
I will be glad and exult in you;
I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.


Ps. 9:3-4 (ESV)
When my enemies turn back,
they stumble and perish before[c]
your presence.
For you have maintained my just
cause;
you have sat on the throne, giving
righteous judgment.


Ps. 9:7-8 (ESV)
But the Lord sits enthroned forever;
he has established his throne for justice,
and he judges the world with righteousness;
he judges the peoples with uprightness.


Ps. 9:9-10 (ESV)
The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed,
a stronghold in times of trouble.
And those who know your name put their trust in you,
for you, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek you.

Ps. 9:19-20 (ESV)

Arise, O Lord! Let not man prevail;
let the nations be judged before you!
20 Put them in fear, O Lord!
Let the nations know that they are but men!

Selah

Psalm 10

Psalm 11

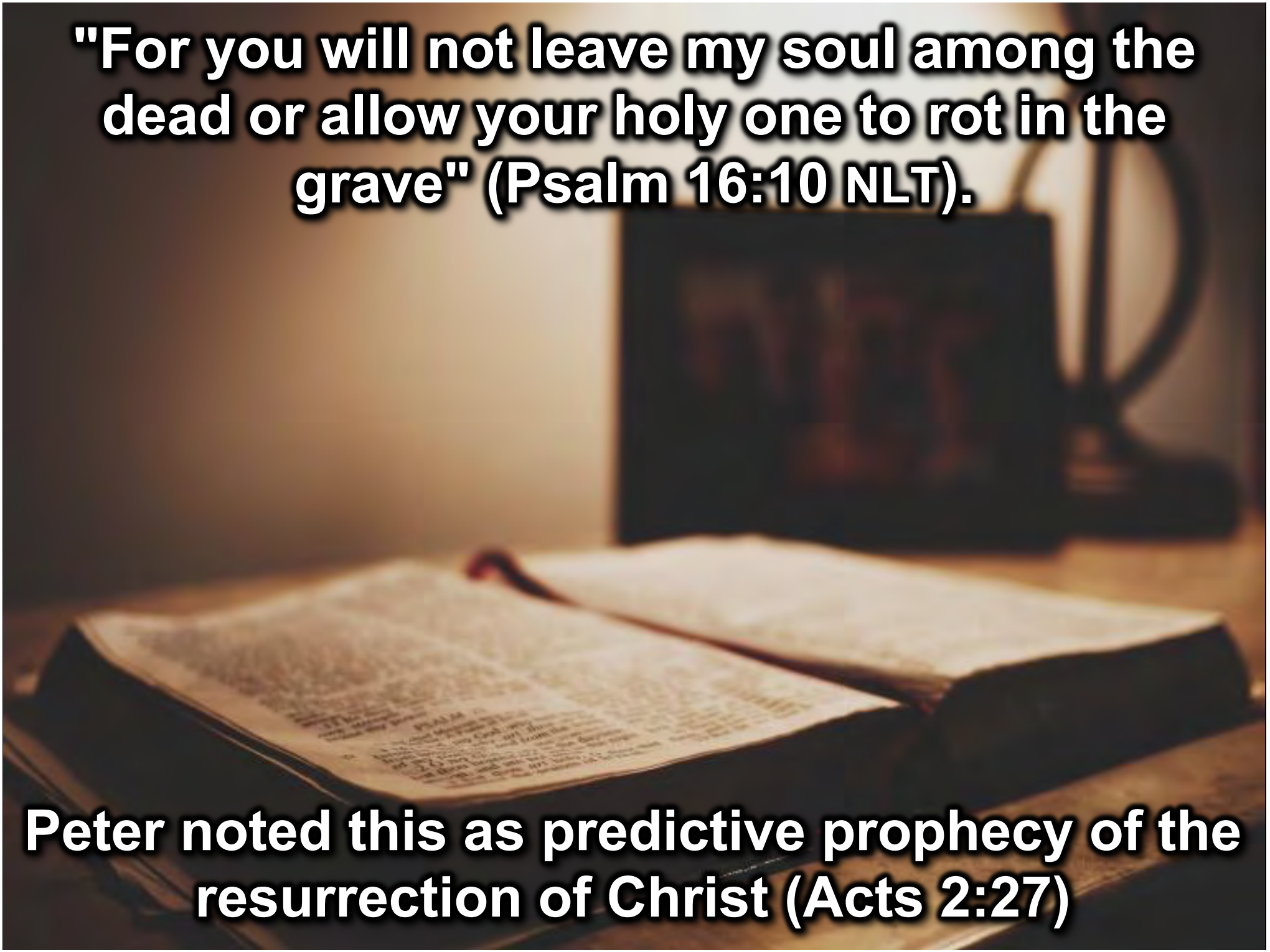
Psalm 12

Psalm 13

Psalm 14

Psalm 15

Psalm 16


"For you will not leave my soul among the dead or allow your holy one to rot in the grave" (Psalm 16:10 NLT).
Peter noted this as predictive prophecy of the resurrection of Christ (Acts 2:27)

Psalm 17

Psalm 18

Read all together:

I love you, Lord, my strength.
The Lord is my rock, my fortress
and my deliverer;
my God is my rock, in whom I
take refuge,
my shield and the horn of my
salvation, my stronghold.

He reached down from on high
and took hold of me;
he drew me out of deep waters.
He rescued me from my powerful
enemy,
from my foes, who were too
strong for me.

They confronted me in the day of
my disaster,
but the Lord was my support.
He brought me out into a
spacious place;
he rescued me because he
delighted in me.

The Lord has dealt with me
according to my
righteousness;
according to the cleanness of
my hands he has rewarded
me.
For I have kept the ways of the
Lord;

I am not guilty of turning from my God.
All his laws are before me;
I have not turned away from his decrees.
I have been blameless before him and have kept myself from sin.

The Lord has rewarded me
according to my
righteousness,
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my hands in his sight.

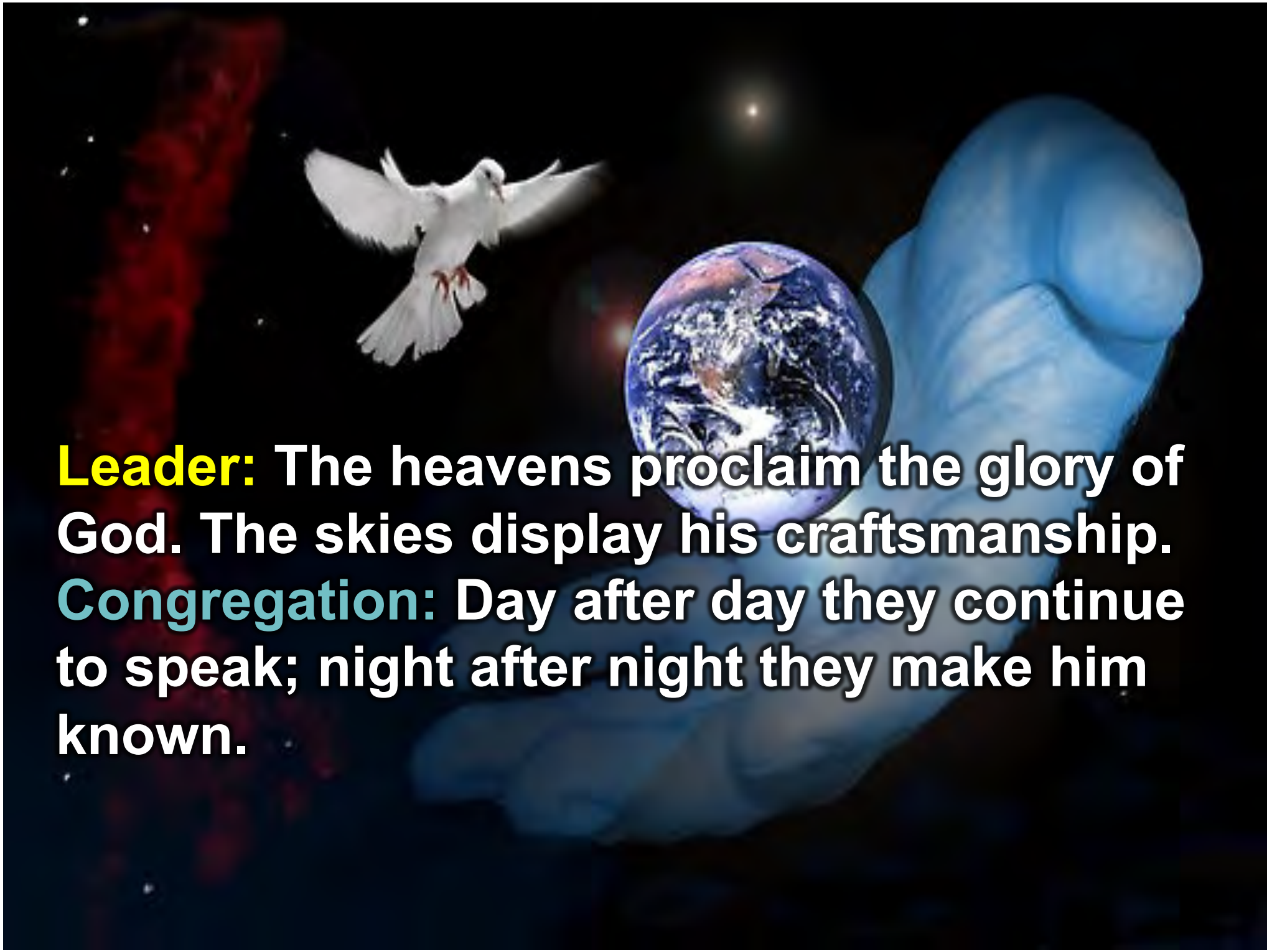
As for God, his way is perfect:
The Lord's word is flawless;
he shields all who take refuge
in him.
For who is God besides the Lord?
And who is the Rock except our
God?

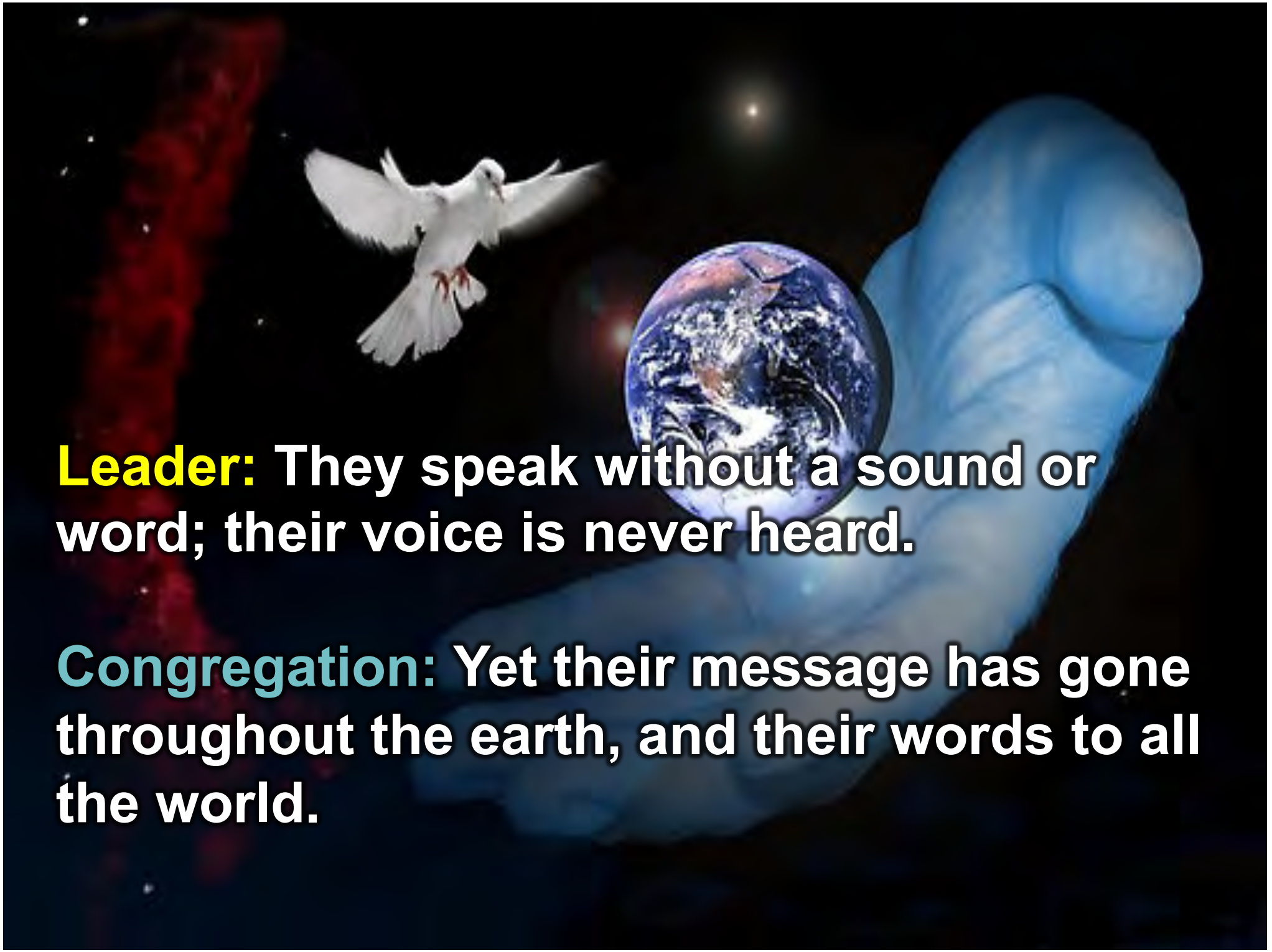
You make your saving help my
shield,
and your right hand sustains me;
your help has made me great.
You provide a broad path for my
feet,
so that my ankles do not give
way.

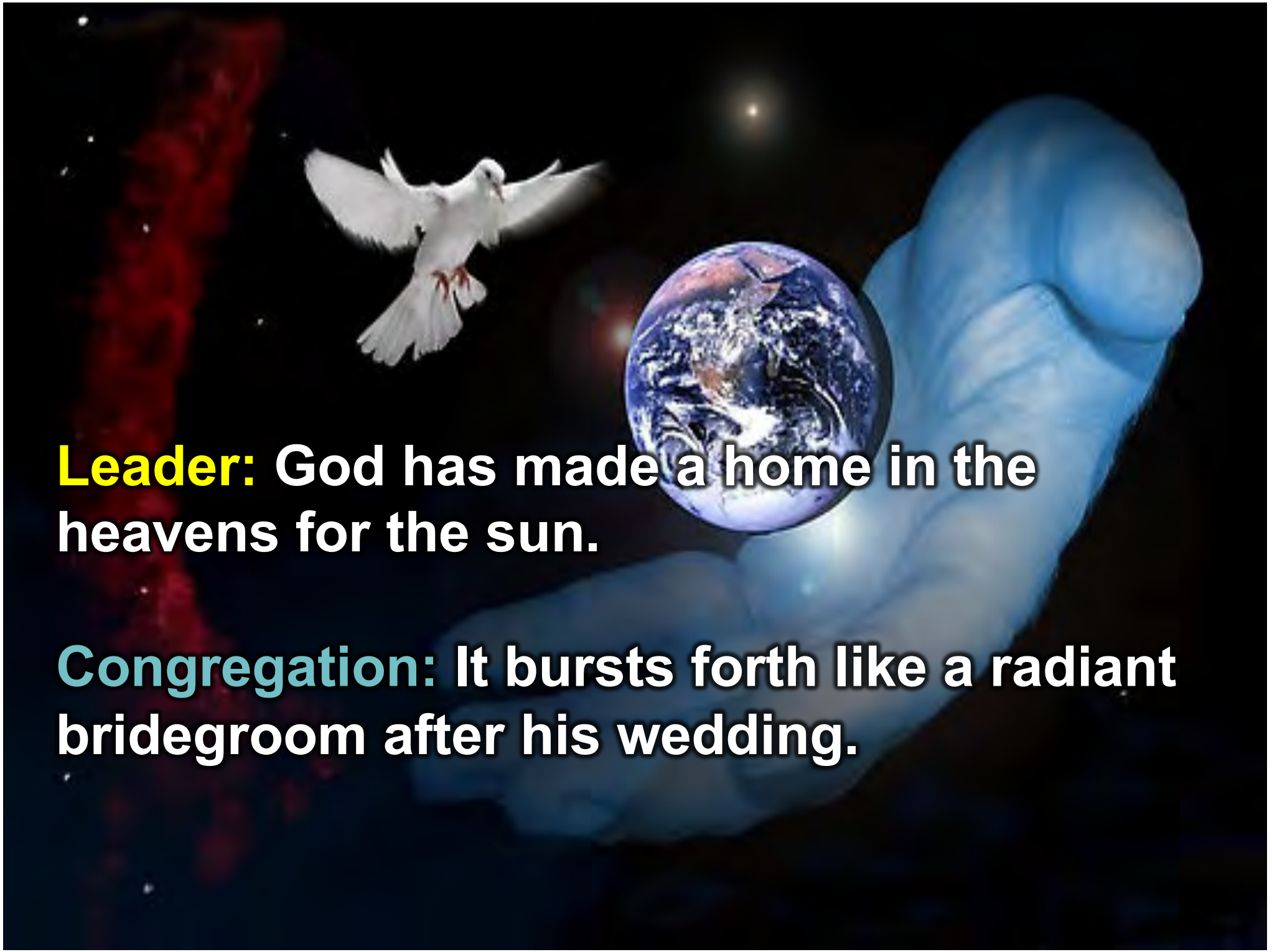
The Lord lives!
Praise be to my Rock!
Exalted be God my Savior!

(portions of Psalm 18 taken from the NIV)

Psalm 19


Leader: The heavens proclaim the glory of God. The skies display his craftsmanship.
Congregation: Day after day they continue to speak; night after night they make him known.

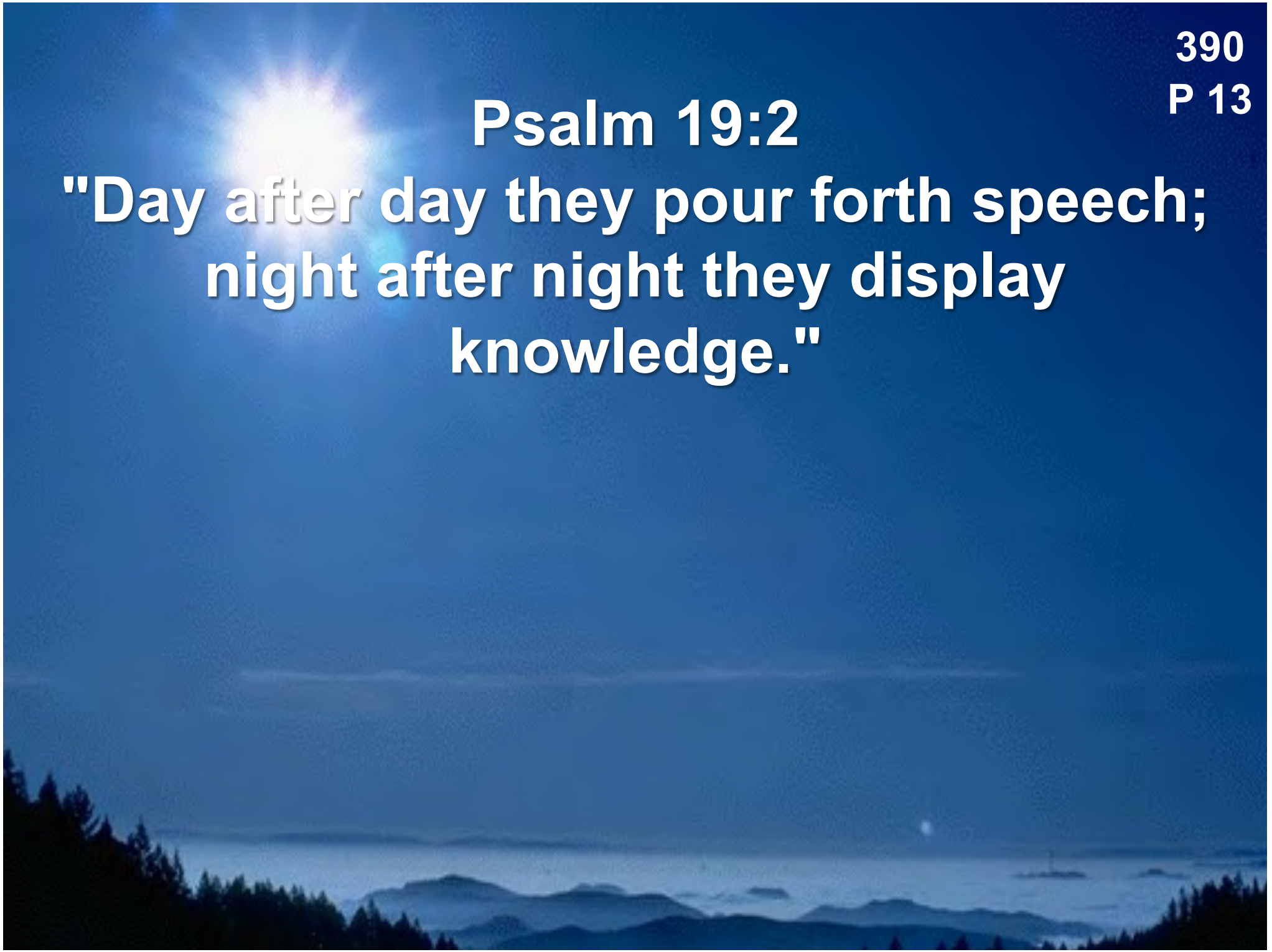

Leader: They speak without a sound or word; their voice is never heard.
Congregation: Yet their message has gone throughout the earth, and their words to all the world.


Leader: God has made a home in the heavens for the sun.
Congregation: It bursts forth like a radiant bridegroom after his wedding.


Leader: It rejoices like a great athlete eager to run the race.
Congregation: The sun rises at one end of the heavens and follows its course to the other end. Nothing can hide from its heat.

Psalm 19:2

"Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge."



Psalm 19: 7-11 NLT

The instructions of the Lord are perfect,
reviving the soul.
The decrees of the Lord are trustworthy,
making wise the simple.



Psalm 19: 7-11 NLT

The commandments of the Lord are right,
bringing joy to the heart.
The commands of the Lord are clear,
giving insight for living.



Psalm 19: 7-11 NLT

Reverence for the Lord is pure,
lasting forever.
The laws of the Lord are true;
each one is fair.



Psalm 19: 7-11 NLT

They are more desirable than gold,
even the finest gold.
They are sweeter than honey,
even honey dripping from the comb.



Psalm 19: 7-11 NLT

They are a warning to your servant,
a great reward for those who obey them.



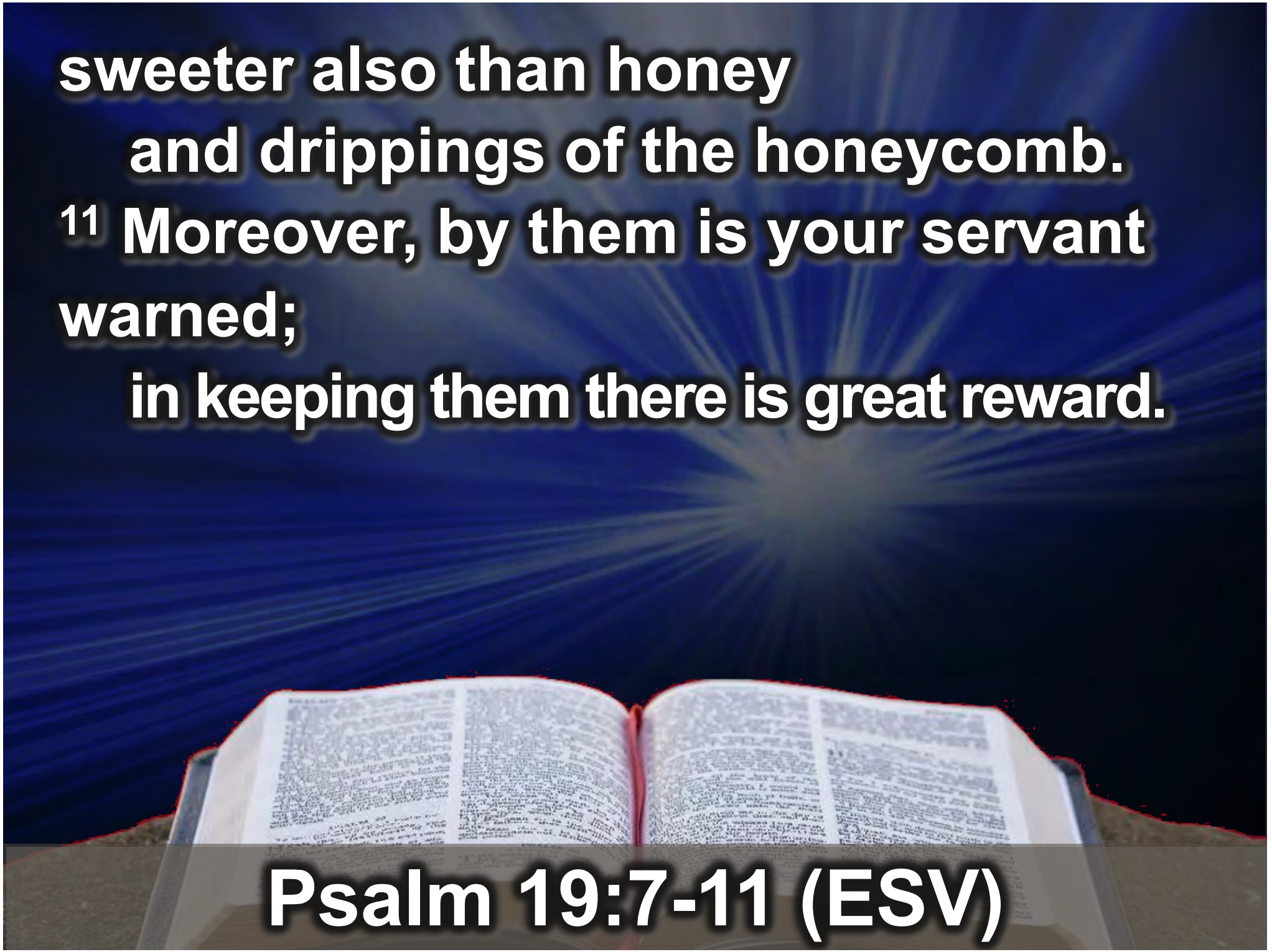
Scripture Reading

Psalm 19:7-11 (ESV)




7 The law of the Lord is perfect,
reviving the soul;
the testimony of the Lord is sure,
making wise the simple;
8 the precepts of the Lord are right,
rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is pure,
enlightening the eyes;
Psalm 19:7-11 (ESV)


9 the fear of the Lord is clean,
enduring forever;
the rules of the Lord are true,
and righteous altogether.
10 More to be desired are they than gold,
even much fine gold;
Psalm 19:7-11 (ESV)


sweeter also than honey
and drippings of the honeycomb.
11 Moreover, by them is your servant
warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.
Psalm 19:7-11 (ESV)

Psalm 20

Psalm 21

Types of Psalms

- Hymn
- Penitential
- Wisdom
- **Royal**

O Lord, the king rejoices in your strength.

How great is his joy in the victories you give!

(Ps. 21:1)

Psalm 22

Types of Psalms

- **Messianic**

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Why are you so far from saving me,
so far from the words of my groaning?

(Ps. 22:1)

Psalm 23

What kind of animal are you?



Psalm 23

[1]The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.
[2]He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, [3]he restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. [4]Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. [5]You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. [6]Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.


You're a sheep


He leads me
beside still
waters

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Psalm 23 Exegetical Outline

I. The response of David to God's *provision* & *protection* [like a shepherd for his sheep] was comfort instead of fear (1-4).

A. The way the LORD satisfied David was by *providing* all of his needs (1-3).

1. The LORD *provided quality physical* food, rest and water that satisfied David (1-2) .

2. The LORD *provided spiritual refreshment* that restored David's soul (3a) .

3. The LORD *provided guidance in holiness* to *protect* His own name (3b) .

B. The response of David to the LORD *protecting* him in dangerous situations was a lack of fear (4).

"He prepares a table before me in the presence of my enemies" (v. 5)



or



Sheep

Banqueting Victor

"He prepares a table before me in the presence of my enemies" (v. 5)



or



"Banquet" of grass

Literal banquet

Psalm 23 Exegetical Outline

II. The manner in which God showed His goodness to David was by exalting him like honoring a banqueting victor before his enemies (5).

"You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies"

A. The LORD protected & exalted David like a banqueting victor before humbled enemies (5a).

"You anoint my head with oil"

B. The LORD honored David (5b).

"My cup overflows"

C. The LORD provided more blessings than David could possibly enjoy (5c).

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What is dwelling "in the house of the Lord forever"?



or





Living in heavenly house

Tabernacle worship

Psalm 23 Exegetical Outline

III. The response of David to God's continued goodness was to commit to commune with the LORD at the tabernacle the rest of his life (6).

A. David expressed confidence that the LORD would show goodness towards him the rest of his life (6a).

B. David's response was to commit to commune with God at the tabernacle the rest of his life (6b).

Psalm 23 Exegetical Outline

Exegetical Idea: The response of David to God's goodness shown in providing for and exalting him was to fearlessly commune with God at the tabernacle the rest of his life.

I. The response of David to God's *provision* and *protection* [like a shepherd does for his sheep] was comfort instead of fear (1-4).

II. The manner in which God showed His goodness to David was by exalting him like honoring a banqueting victor before his enemies (5).

III. The response of David to God's continued goodness was to commit to commune with the LORD at the tabernacle the rest of his life (6).

Psalm 23 Purpose & Outlines

Desired Listener Response:
The listeners will worship God without fear.

Exegetical Idea:
The response of David to God's goodness shown in providing for and exalting him was to fearlessly commune with God at the tabernacle the rest of his life.



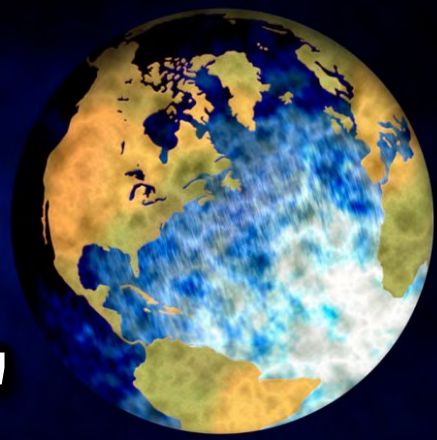
Main Idea:
God's good to you, so publicly worship Him without fear.

Psalm 24

"The earth is the

Lord's,

and everything in it."



—Psalm 24:1—

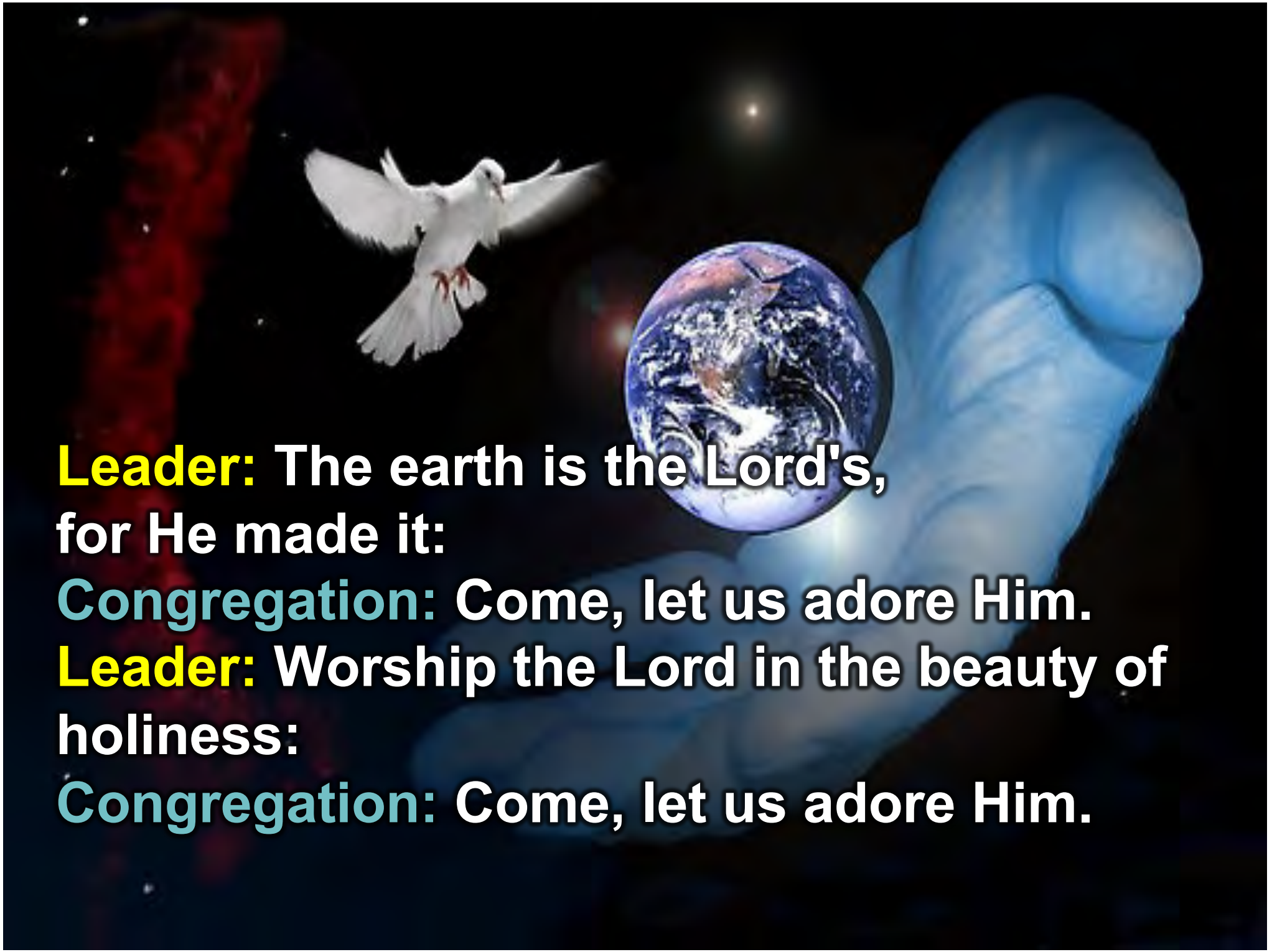
Day 1: Psalm 24

“The earth is the LORD's and everything in it, the world and all who live in it …

Who may ascend the hill of the LORD? …

Lift up your heads … that the King of glory may come in. Who is the King of glory? The LORD Almighty – he is the King of glory.”



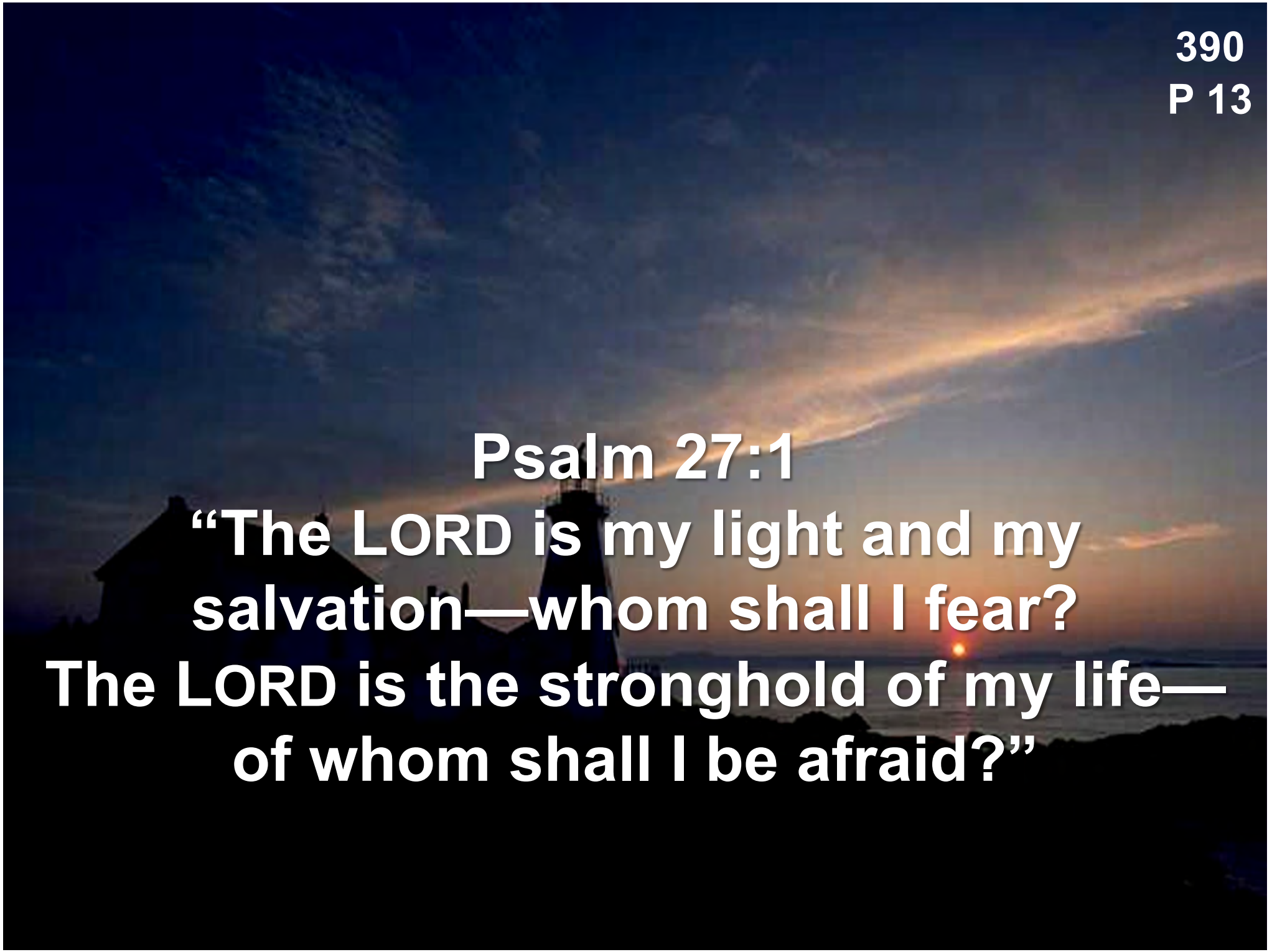

Leader: The earth is the Lord's,
for He made it:
Congregation: Come, let us adore Him.
Leader: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:
Congregation: Come, let us adore Him.


Leader: The mercy of the Lord is everlasting:
Congregation: Come, let us adore Him.
Leader: Lord, open our lips.
Congregation: And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

Psalm 25

Psalm 26

Psalm 27


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Psalm 27:1
“The LORD is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?”

Metaphor

A figure of speech containing an implied comparison between two different objects.

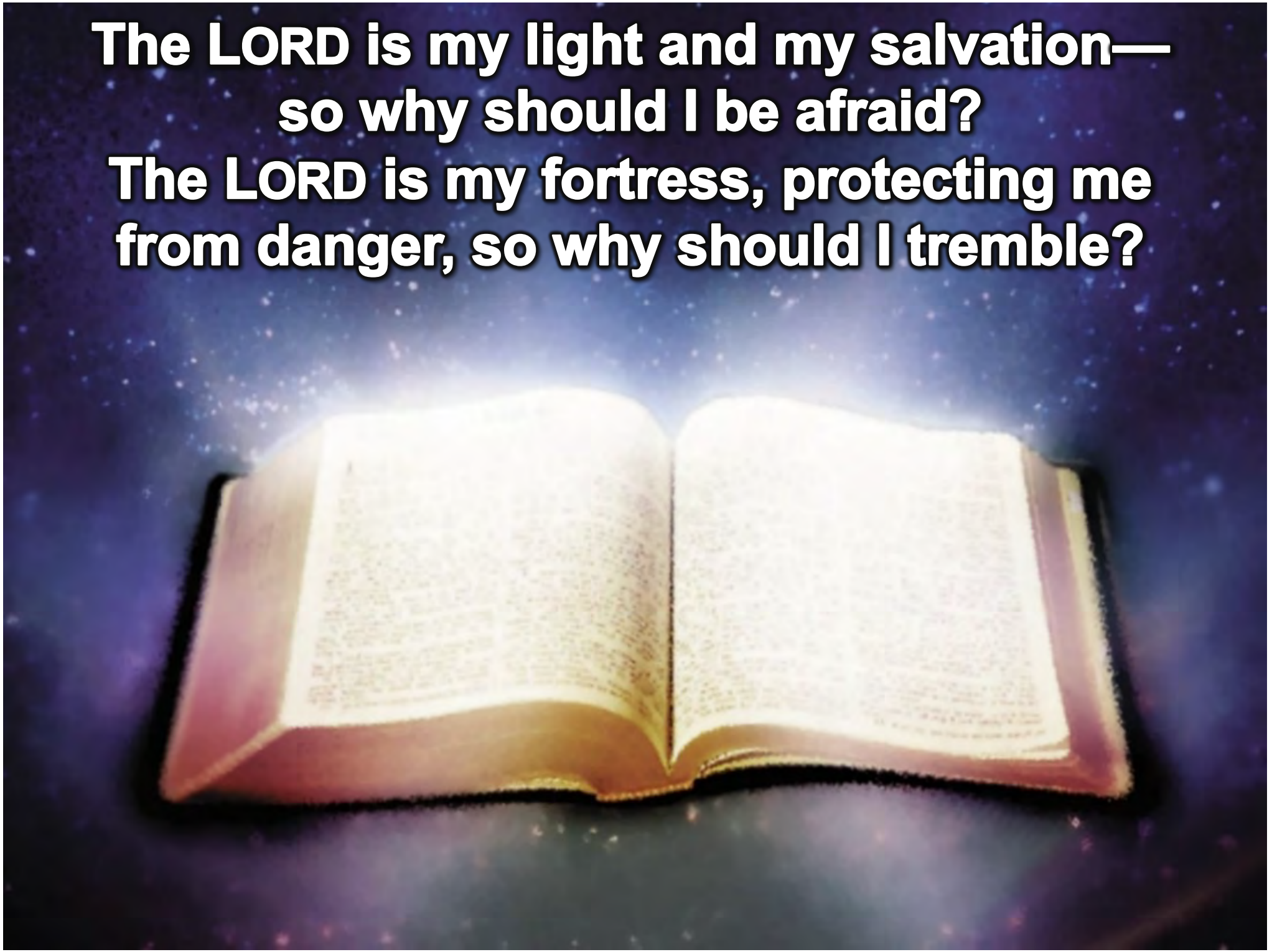
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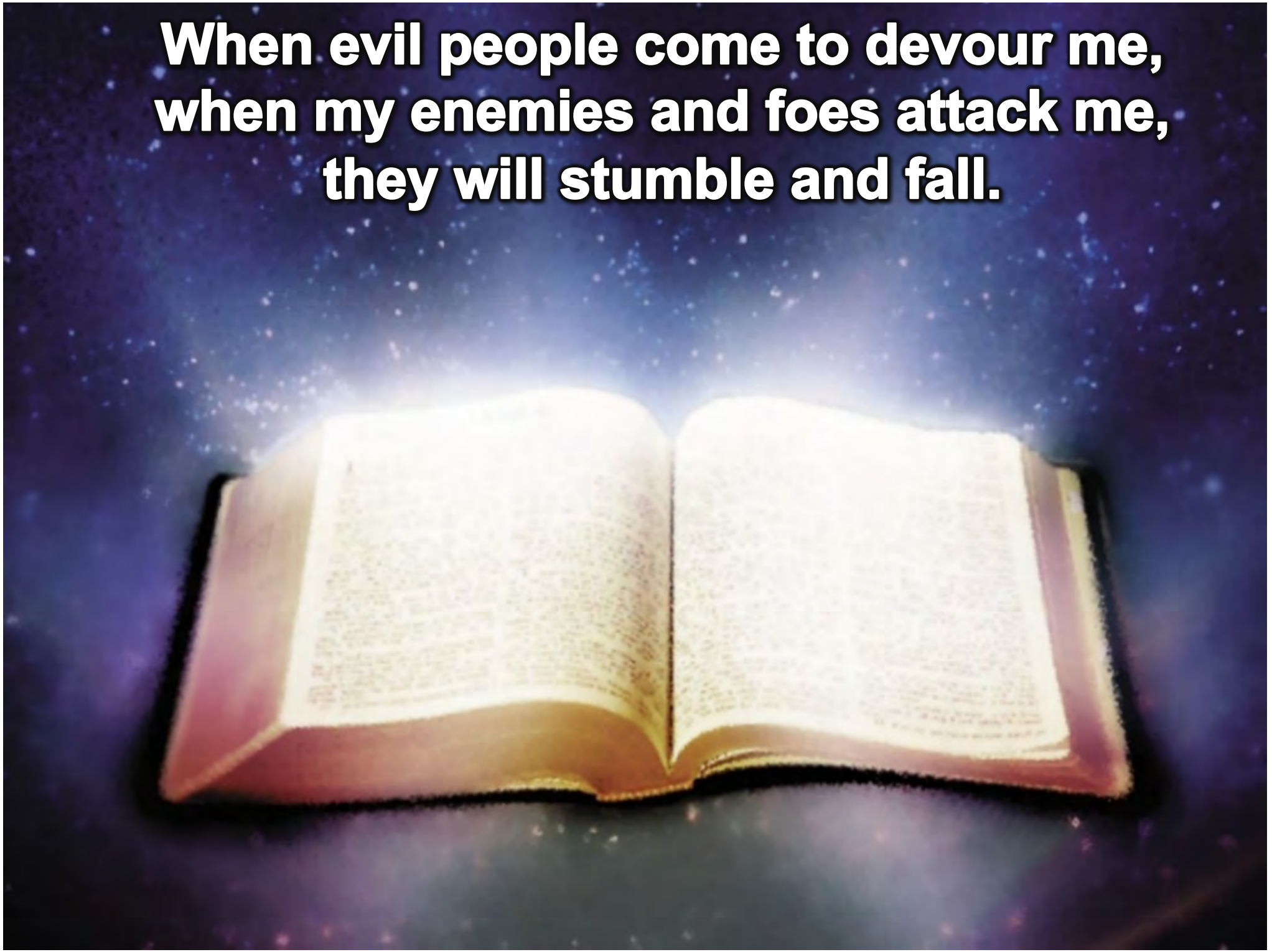
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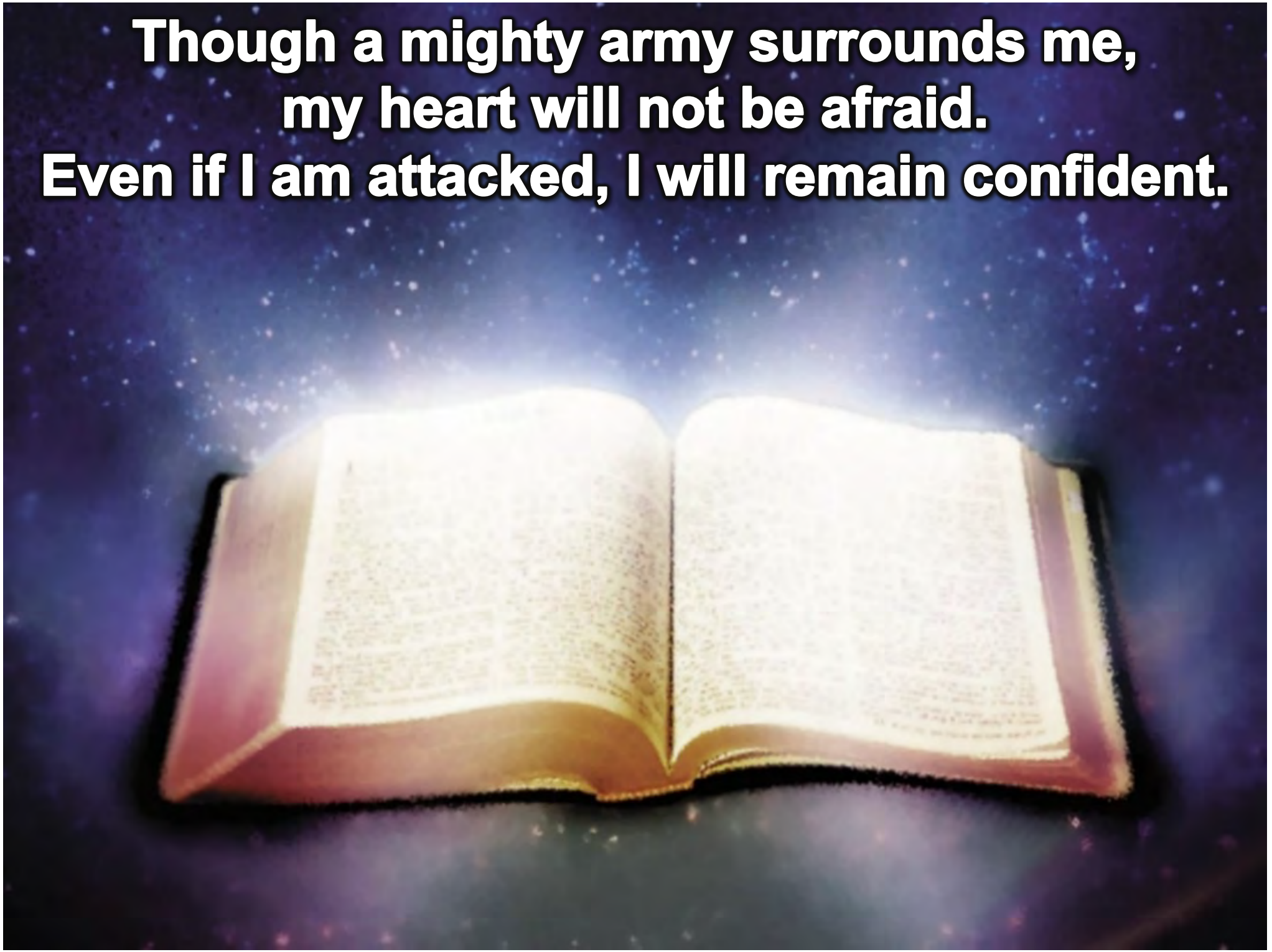
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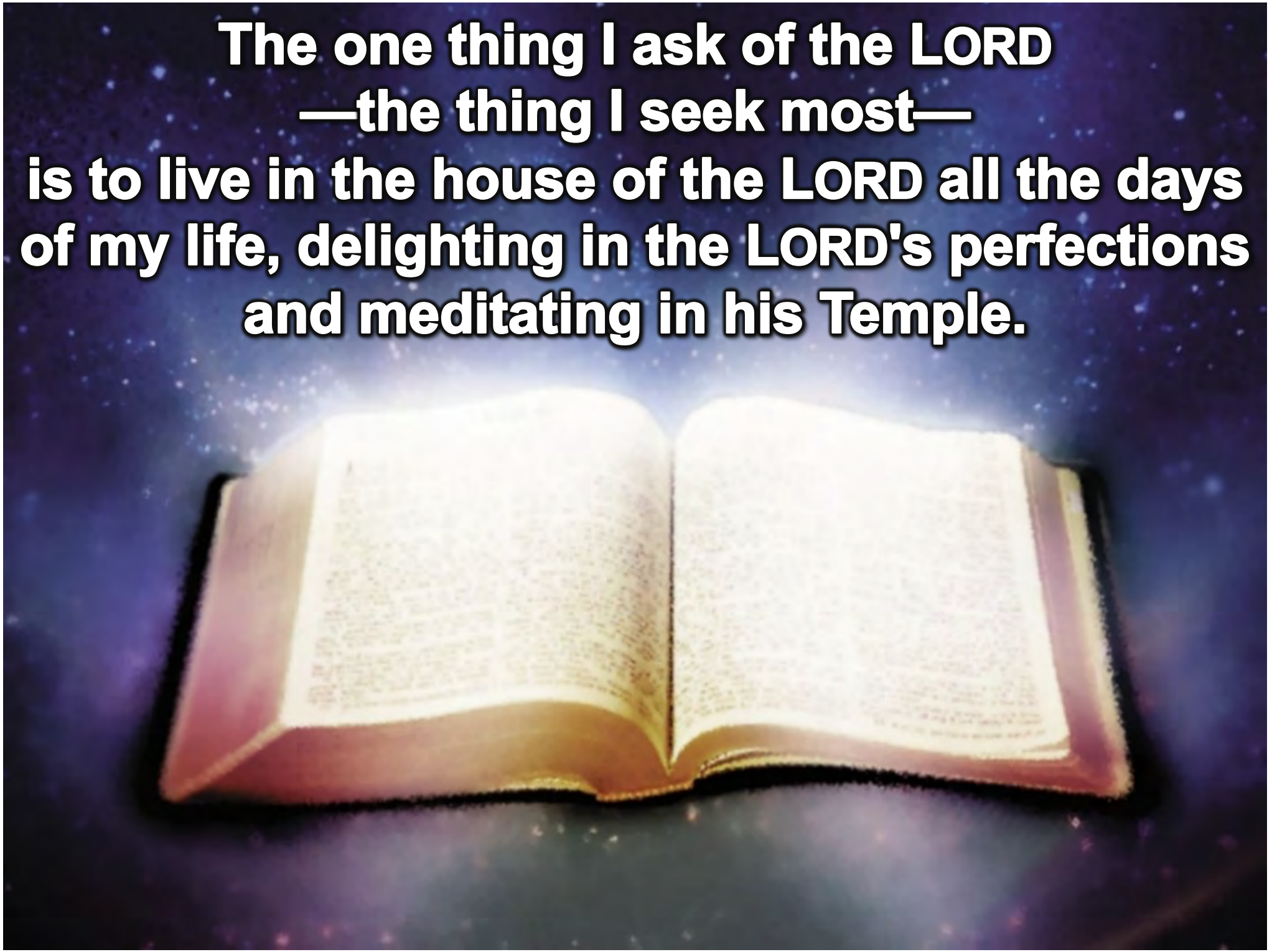
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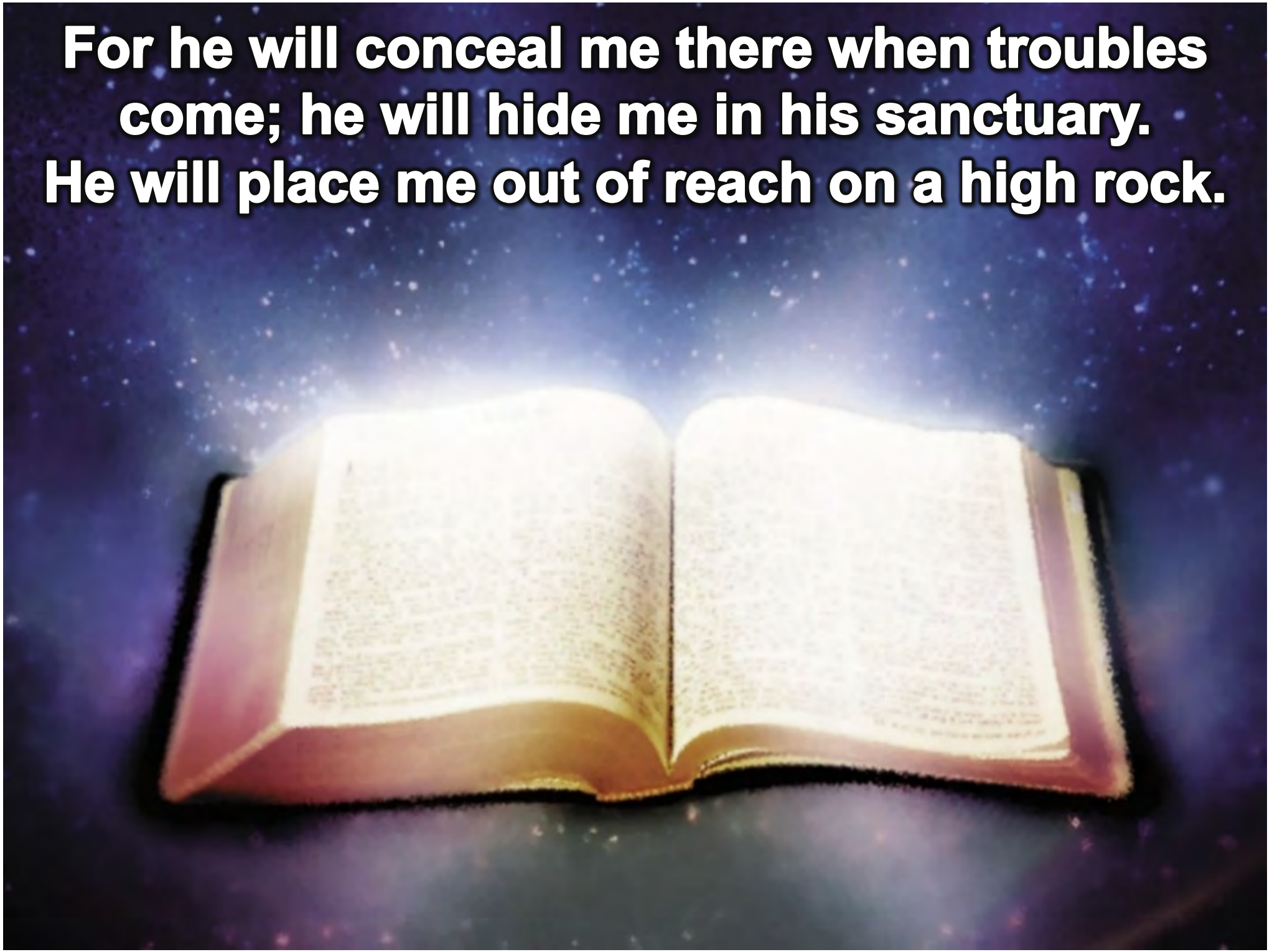



The LORD is my light and my salvation—
so why should I be afraid?
The LORD is my fortress, protecting me
from danger, so why should I tremble?

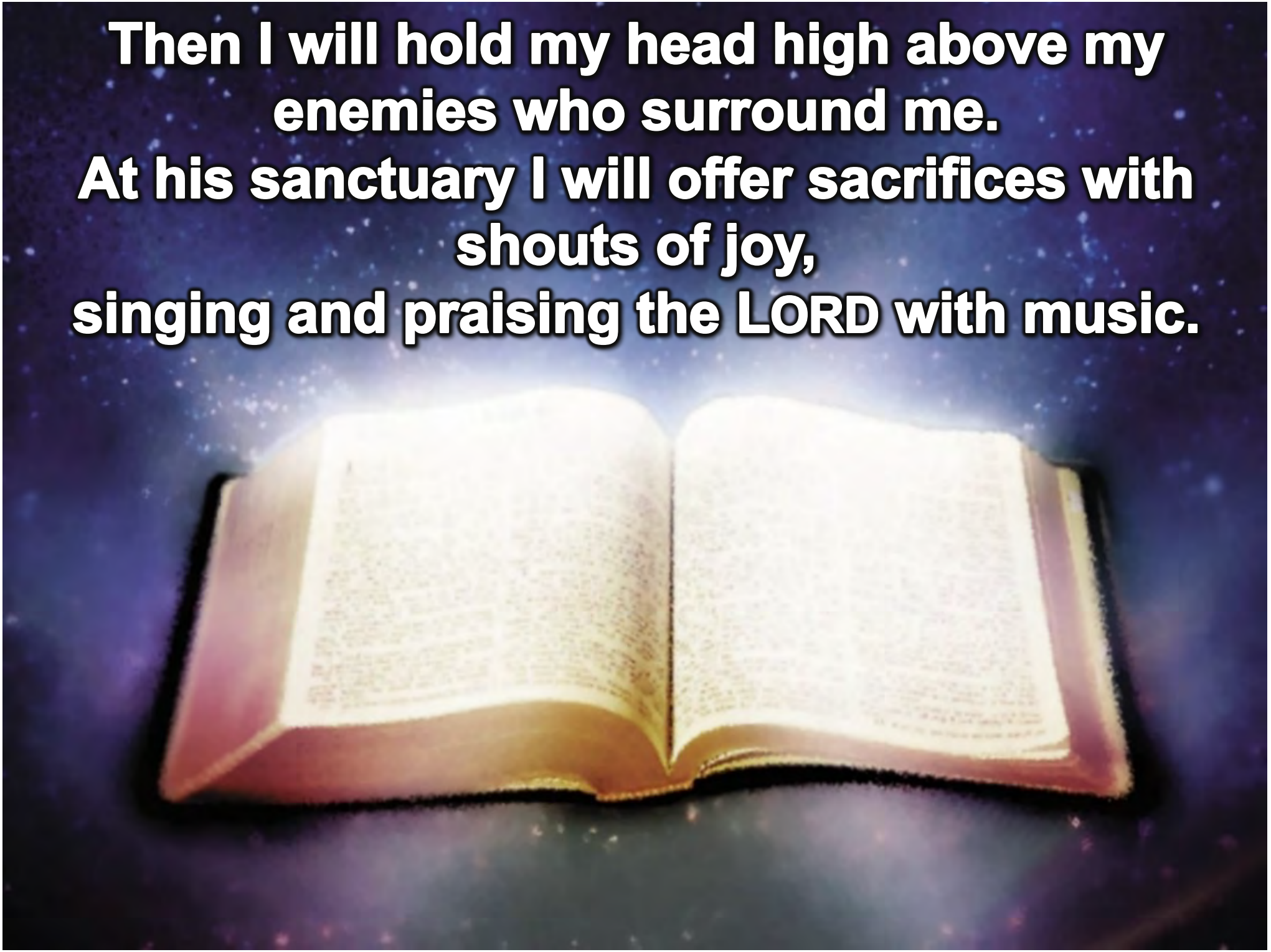

When evil people come to devour me,
when my enemies and foes attack me,
they will stumble and fall.


Though a mighty army surrounds me,
my heart will not be afraid.
Even if I am attacked, I will remain confident.


The one thing I ask of the LORD
—the thing I seek most—
is to live in the house of the LORD all the days
of my life, delighting in the LORD's perfections
and meditating in his Temple.


For he will conceal me there when troubles come; he will hide me in his sanctuary. He will place me out of reach on a high rock.

Then I will hold my head high above my
enemies who surround me.
At his sanctuary I will offer sacrifices with
shouts of joy,
singing and praising the LORD with music.




Psalm 27:4-5 (NLT)
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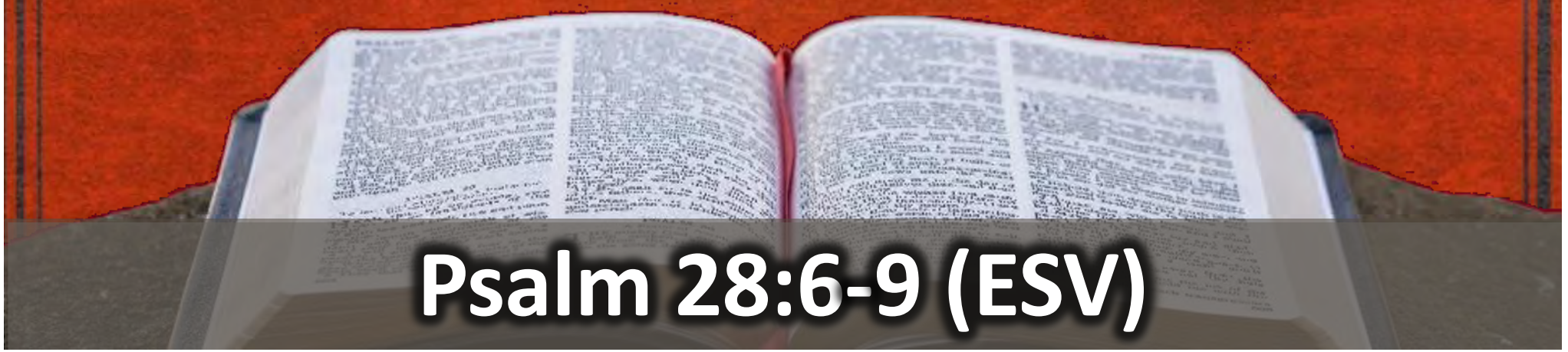
Psalm 28

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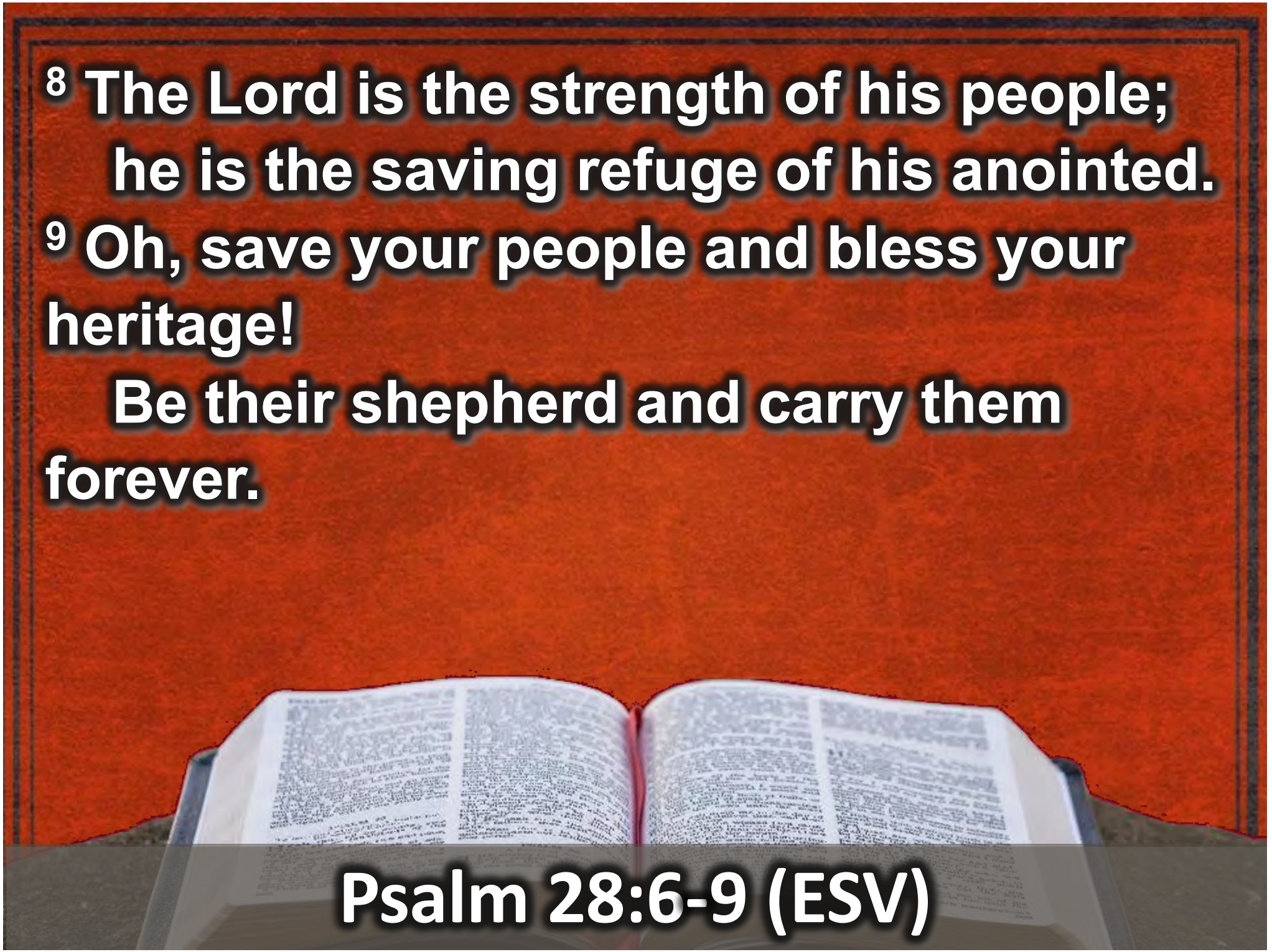
Psalm 28:6-9 (ESV)



6 Blessed be the Lord!
For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.
7 The Lord is my strength and my shield;
in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;
my heart exults,
and with my song I give thanks to him.



Psalm 28:6-9 (ESV)


8 The Lord is the strength of his people;
he is the saving refuge of his anointed.
9 Oh, save your people and bless your heritage!
Be their shepherd and carry them forever.
Psalm 28:6-9 (ESV)

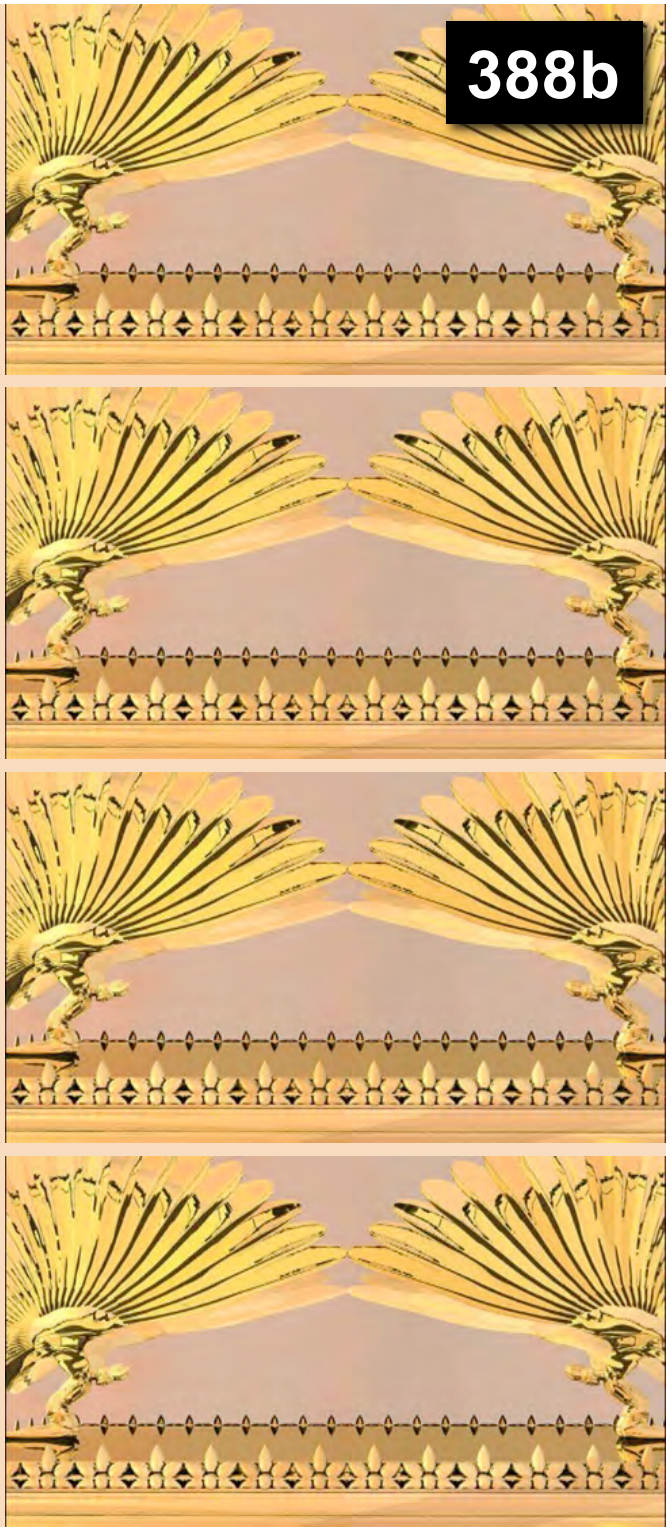
Psalm 29

Feast of Tabernacles: Psalm 29

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"Ascribe to the LORD, O mighty ones, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due to his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness…"



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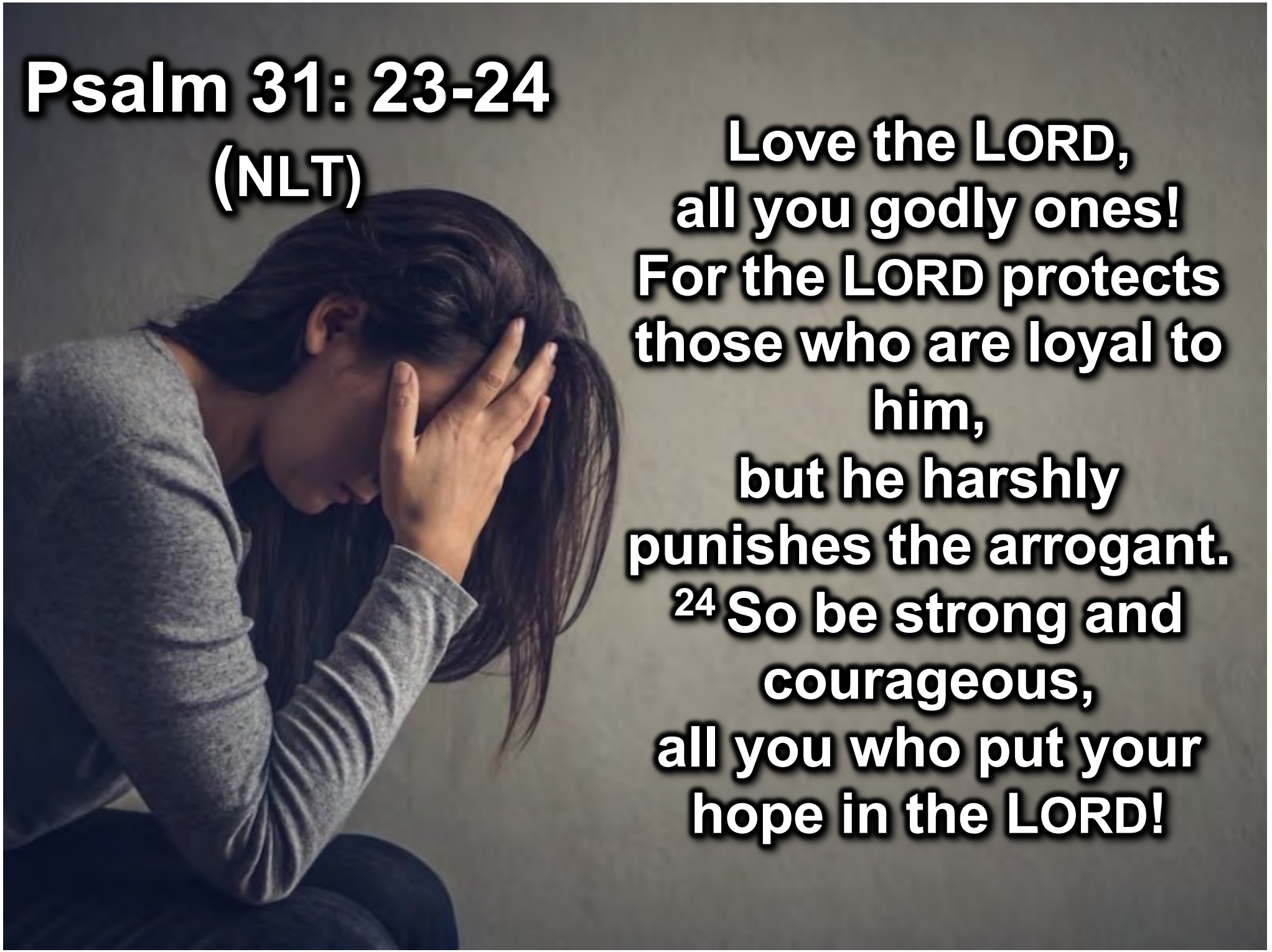
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Ascribe to the LORD the glory
due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor
of his holiness."

Psalm 30

Psalm 31


Psalm 31: 23-24
(NLT)
Love the LORD,
all you godly ones!
For the LORD protects
those who are loyal to
him,
but he harshly
punishes the arrogant.
24 So be strong and
courageous,
all you who put your
hope in the LORD!

Psalm 32

Blessing

Blessed is the man whose sin the LORD does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit …

Psalm 32:2

Types of Psalms

- Hymn
- **Penitential**

"Then I acknowledged my sin to you
and did not cover up my iniquity.
I said, 'I will confess
my transgressions to the Lord'
And you forgave
the guilt of my sin."

(Ps. 32:5)

Psalm 33

Descriptive Praise

"Sing joyfully to the LORD, you righteous;
it is fitting for the upright to praise Him.
Praise the LORD with the harp;
make music to him on the ten-stringed lyre.
Sing to him a new song; play skillfully,
and shout for joy."

Psalm 33:1-3

Psalm 34

A psalm of David, regarding the time he pretended to be insane in front of Abimelech, who sent him away.


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Psalm 34:3
“Glorify the LORD with me;
let us exalt his name together.”

Psalm 34

[1] I will extol the LORD at all times;
his praise will always be on my lips.
[2] I will glory in the LORD;
let the afflicted hear and rejoice.
[3] Glorify the LORD with me;
let us exalt his name together.

[4] I sought the LORD, and he answered me;
he delivered me from all my fears.

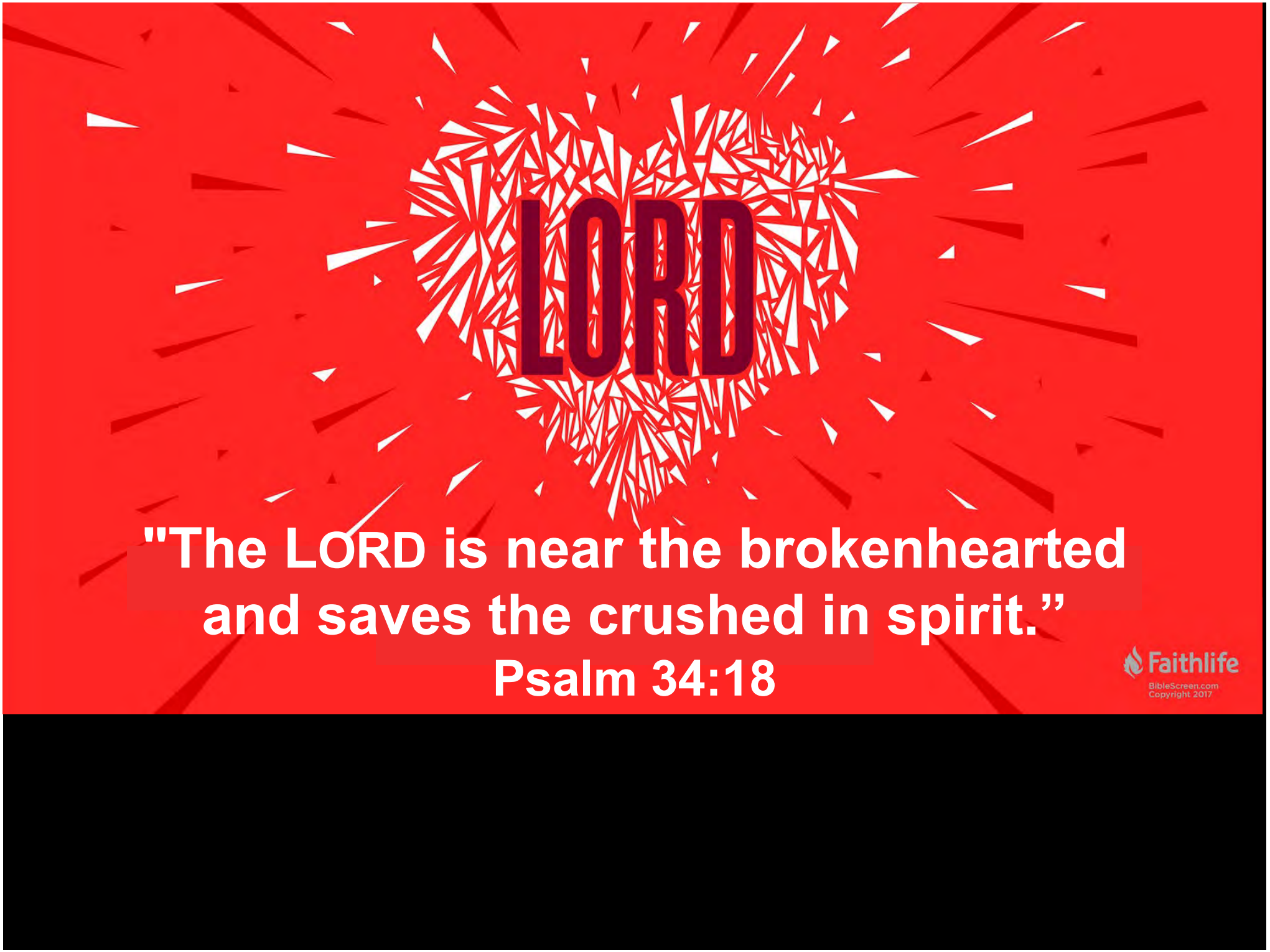
5 Those who look to him are radiant;
their faces are never covered with shame.
6 This poor man called,
and the LORD heard him;
he saved him out of all his troubles.
7 The angel of the LORD encamps around
those who fear him,
and he delivers them.

8 Taste and see that the LORD is good;
blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.
9 Fear the LORD, you his holy people,
for those who fear him lack nothing.

10 The lions may grow weak and hungry,
but those who seek the LORD
lack no good thing.
11 Come, my children, listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
12 Whoever of you loves life
and desires to see many good days,
13 keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from telling lies.
14 Turn from evil and do good;
seek peace and pursue it.

15 The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous,
and his ears are attentive to their cry;
16 but the face of the LORD
is against those who do evil,
to blot out their name from the earth.
17 The righteous cry out,
and the LORD hears them;
he delivers them from all their troubles.
18 The LORD is close to the brokenhearted
and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

19 The righteous person may have many troubles,
but the LORD delivers him from them all;
20 he protects all his bones,
not one of them will be broken.
21 Evil will slay the wicked;
the foes of the righteous will be condemned.
22 The LORD will rescue his servants;
no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.


LORD
"The LORD is near the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit."
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Psalm 35

Psalm 36

Psalm 37

Rest in the LORD



Antithetic: 2nd line offers a contrast of thought to the 1st

Psalm 37:9

"For evil men will be cut off, but those who hope in the LORD will inherit the land."



Psalm 38

Psalm 39

Psalm 40

Scripture Reading:
Psalm 40:1-3, 7-10

Adults:

**1 I waited patiently for the Lord to help
me, and he turned to me and heard
my cry.**

**2 He lifted me out of the pit of despair,
out of the mud and the mire.
He set my feet on solid ground
and steadied me as I walked along.**

Scripture Reading:
Psalm 40:1-3, 7-10

Youth & Children:

**3 He has given me a new song to sing,
a hymn of praise to our God.
Many will see what he has done and
be amazed. They will put their trust
in the Lord.**

Scripture Reading:
Psalm 40:1-3, 7-10

Women:

**7 Then I said, “Look, I have come.
As is written about me in the
Scriptures:**

**8 I take joy in doing your will, my God,
for your instructions are written on
my heart.”**

Scripture Reading:
Psalm 40:1-3, 7-10

Men:

9 I have told all your people about your justice. I have not been afraid to speak out, you, O Lord, well know.

Scripture Reading:
Psalm 40:1-4, 7-10

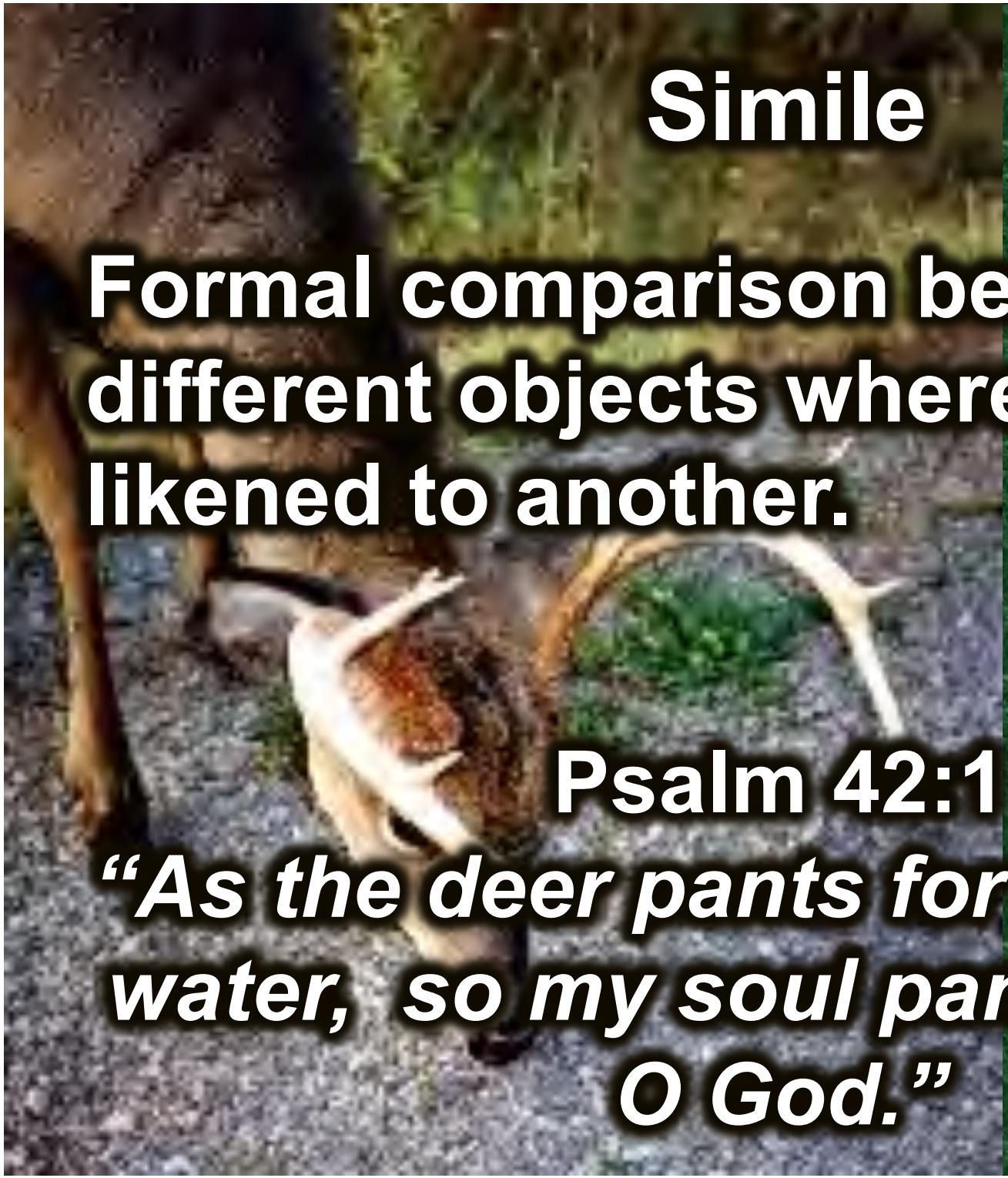
All:

10 I have not kept the good news of your justice hidden in my heart;
I have talked about your faithfulness and saving power.
I have told everyone in the great assembly of your unfailing love and faithfulness.

Psalm 41

Psalm 42

Simile



Formal comparison between two different objects where one is likened to another.

Psalm 42:1

"As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God."

Types of Psalms

"Why are you downcast, O my soul?

Why so disturbed within me?"

(Ps. 42:5)

- **Lament**
- Imprecatory
- History

Psalm 43

Petition

Vindicate me, O God, and plead my cause… rescue me from deceitful and wicked men.

Psalm 43:1

Song of Trust

**Why are you downcast, I my soul?
Why so disturbed within me?
Put your hope in God, for I will yet
praise him, my Savior and my God.**

Psalm 43:5

Psalm 44

Psalm 45

Psalm 46


"Be still and know that I am God."
Psalm 46:10

Psalm 47

Types of Psalms

For God is the King of all the earth;
sing to Him a psalm of praise
(Ps. 47:7)

- **Royal**
- Messianic
- Lament
- Imprecatory
- History

Psalm 47 NLT

For the choir director:
A psalm of the descendants of Korah.

Come, everyone! Clap your hands!
Shout to God with joyful praise!

For the LORD Most High is awesome.
He is the great King of all the earth.

He subdues the nations before us,
putting our enemies beneath our feet.

He chose the Promised Land as our inheritance,
the proud possession of Jacob's descendants,
whom he loves.

—Interlude—

God has ascended with a mighty shout.
The LORD has ascended with trumpets blaring.

Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises!

For God is the King over all the earth.
Praise him with a psalm.

God reigns above the nations,
sitting on his holy throne.

The rulers of the world have gathered together
with the people of the God of Abraham.
For all the kings of the earth belong to God.
He is highly honored everywhere.

Psalm 48

Psalm 49

Psalm 50

Psalm 51

Scripture Reading: Psalm 51

Adults:

1 Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your unfailing love;
according to your great compassion
blot out my transgressions.

2 Wash away all my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is always before me.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 51

Women:

4 Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight;
so you are right in your verdict
and justified when you judge.

5 Surely I was sinful at birth,
sinful from the time my mother
conceived me.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 51

Men:

10 Create in me a pure heart, O God,
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

11 Do not cast me from your presence
or take your Holy Spirit from me.

12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation
and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain
me.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 51

All:

17 My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart you, God, will not despise.

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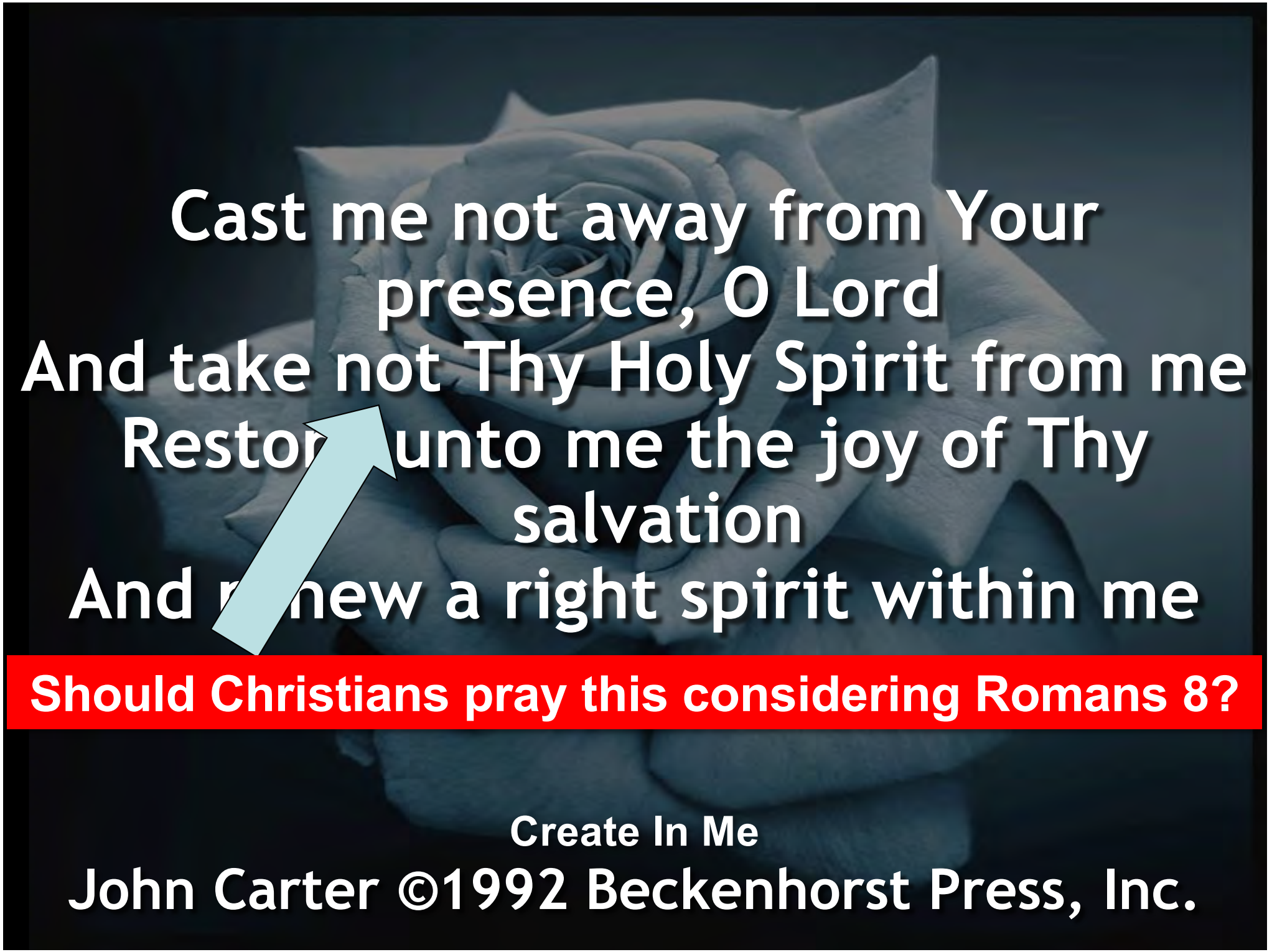
Psalm 51:11
"Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me."


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Create in me a clean heart, O God
And renew a right spirit within me
Create in me a clean heart, O God
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Cast me not away from Your presence, O Lord
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me
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Should Christians pray this considering Romans 8?
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The Indwelling Spirit



Psalm 52

For the choir director: A psalm of David, regarding the time Doeg the Edomite said to Saul, “David has gone to see Ahimelech.”

Rebuke

Why do you boast of evil, you mighty man? Why do you boast all day long, you who are a disgrace in the eyes of God? Your tongue plots destruction; it is like a sharpened razor, you who practice deceit. You love evil rather than good, falsehood rather than speaking the truth.

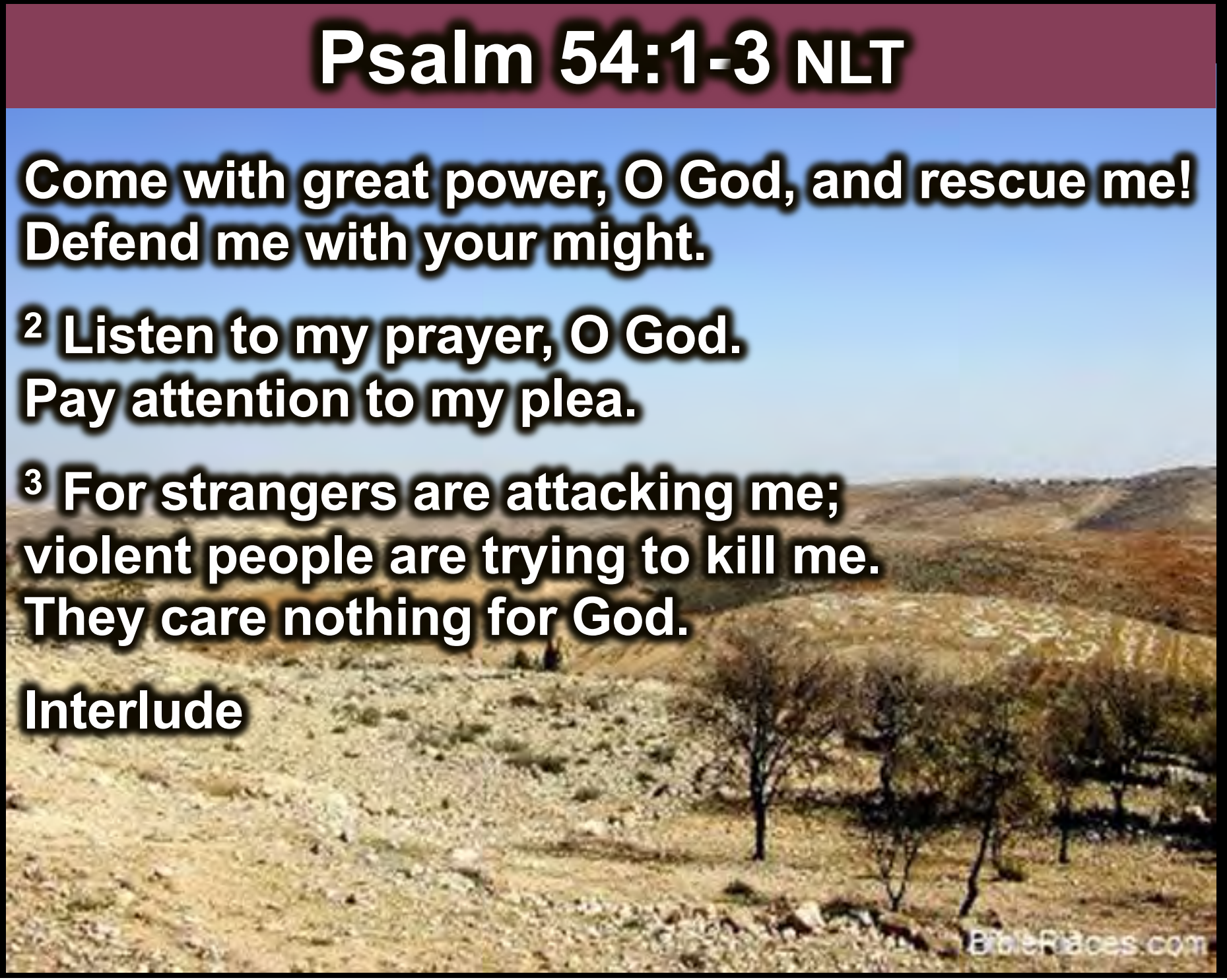
Psalm 52:1-3

Psalm 53

Psalm 54

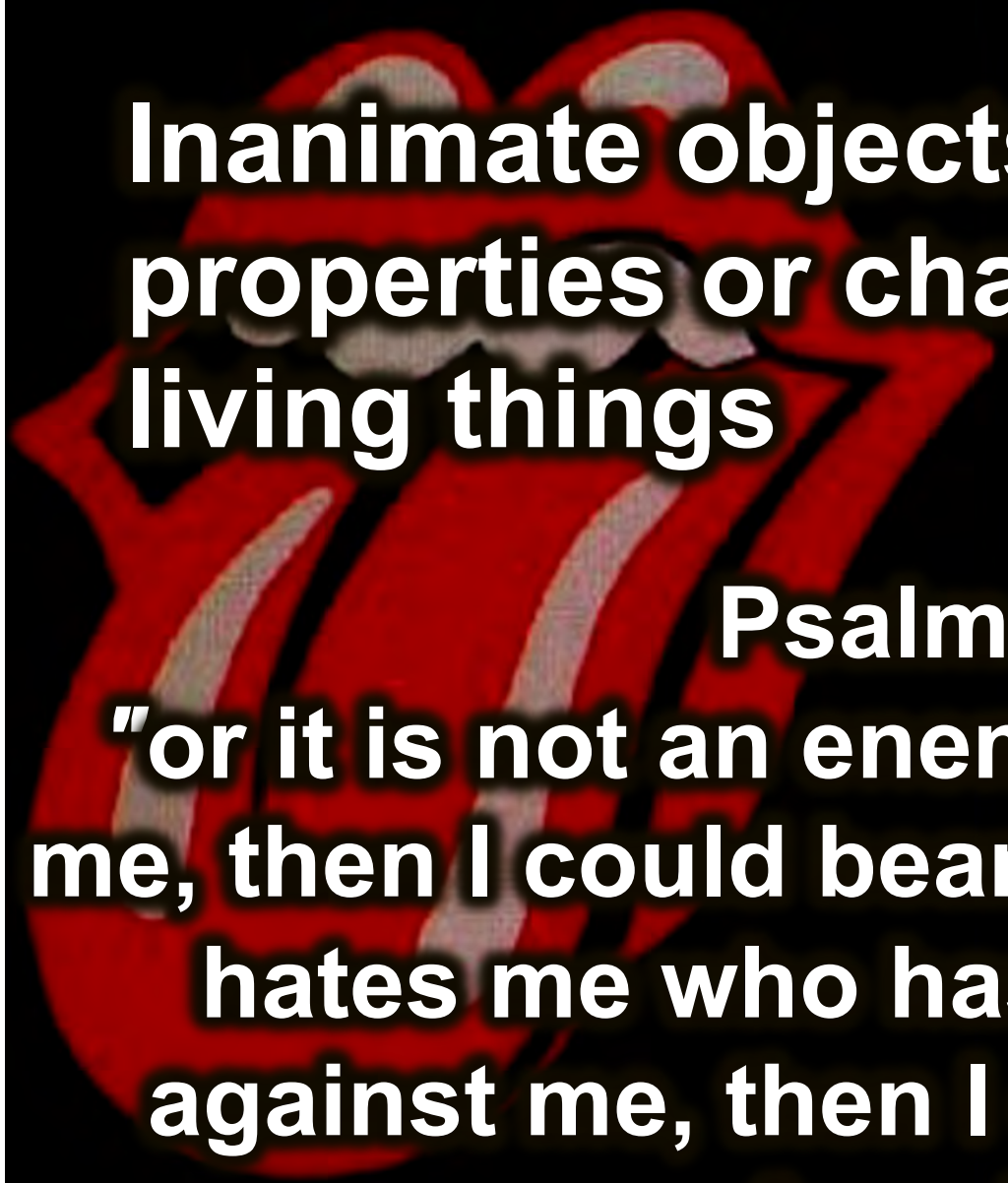
For the choir director; on stringed instruments. A Maskil of David, when the Ziphites came and said to Saul, “Is not David hiding himself among us?”

Psalm 54:1-3 NLT



Psalm 55

Personification



Inanimate objects are given properties or characteristics of living things

Psalm 55:12

"or it is not an enemy who reproaches me, then I could bear *it;* Nor is it one who hates me who has exalted himself against me, then I could hide myself from him."

Psalm 56

For the choir director: A psalm of David, regarding the time the Philistines seized him in Gath. To be sung to the tune "Dove on Distant Oaks."

Psalm 56:1-4 NLT

O God, have mercy on me,
for people are hounding me.
My foes attack me all day long.

2 I am constantly hounded by those who slander
me, and many are boldly attacking me.

3 But when I am afraid,
I will put my trust in you.

4 I praise God for what he has promised.
I trust in God, so why should I be afraid?
What can mere mortals do to me?

Psalm 57

Psalm 58

Psalm 59

For the choir director: A psalm of David, regarding the time Saul sent soldiers to watch David's house in order to kill him. To be sung to the tune "Do Not Destroy!"

Psalm 59:1-3

Rescue me from my enemies, O God.
Protect me from those who have come to destroy me.

2 Rescue me from these criminals;
save me from these murderers.

3 They have set an ambush for me.
Fierce enemies are out there waiting, LORD,
though I have not sinned or offended them.

Psalm 60

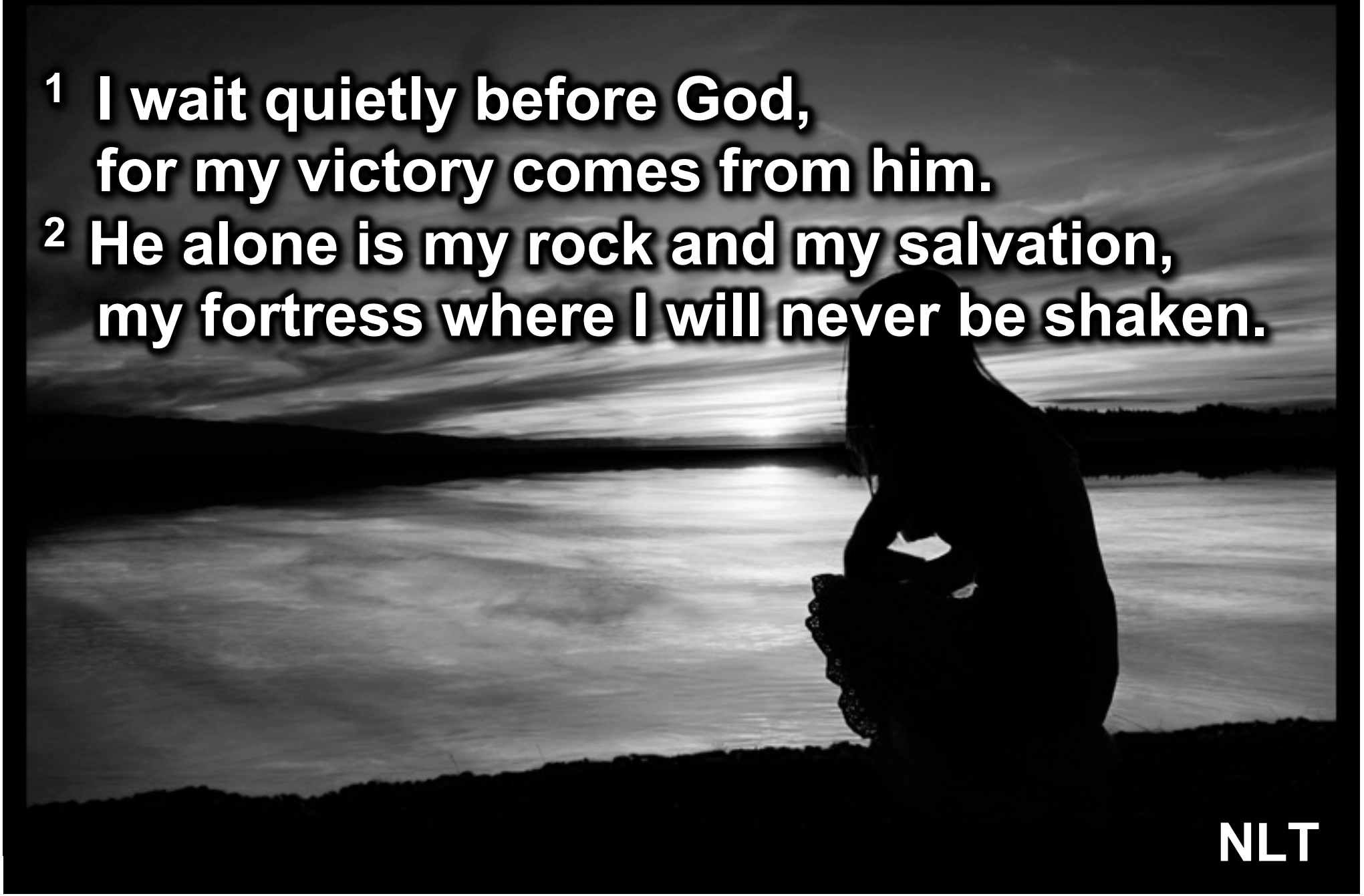
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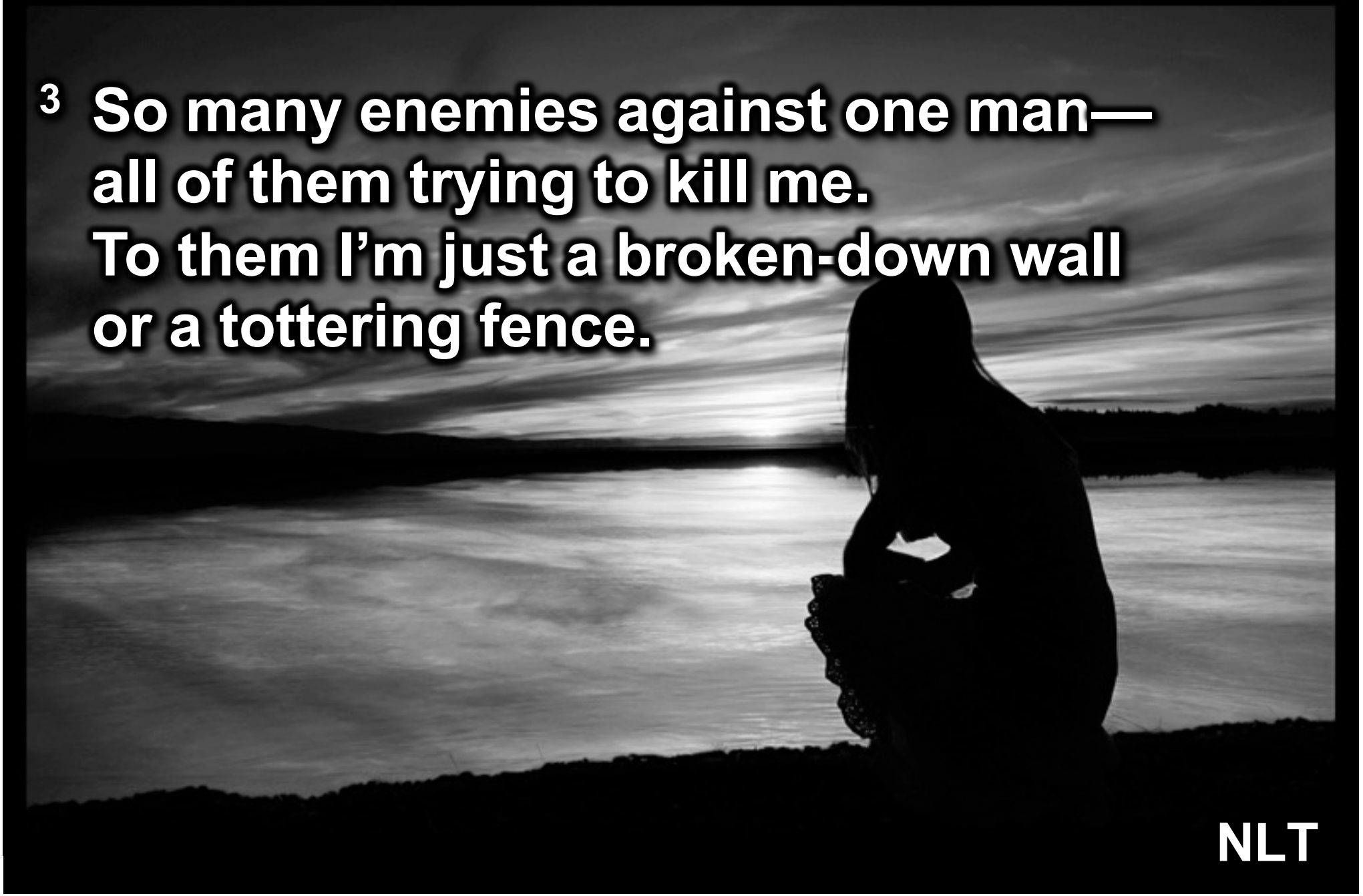
Psalm 62



1 I wait quietly before God,
for my victory comes from him.
2 He alone is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress where I will never be shaken.

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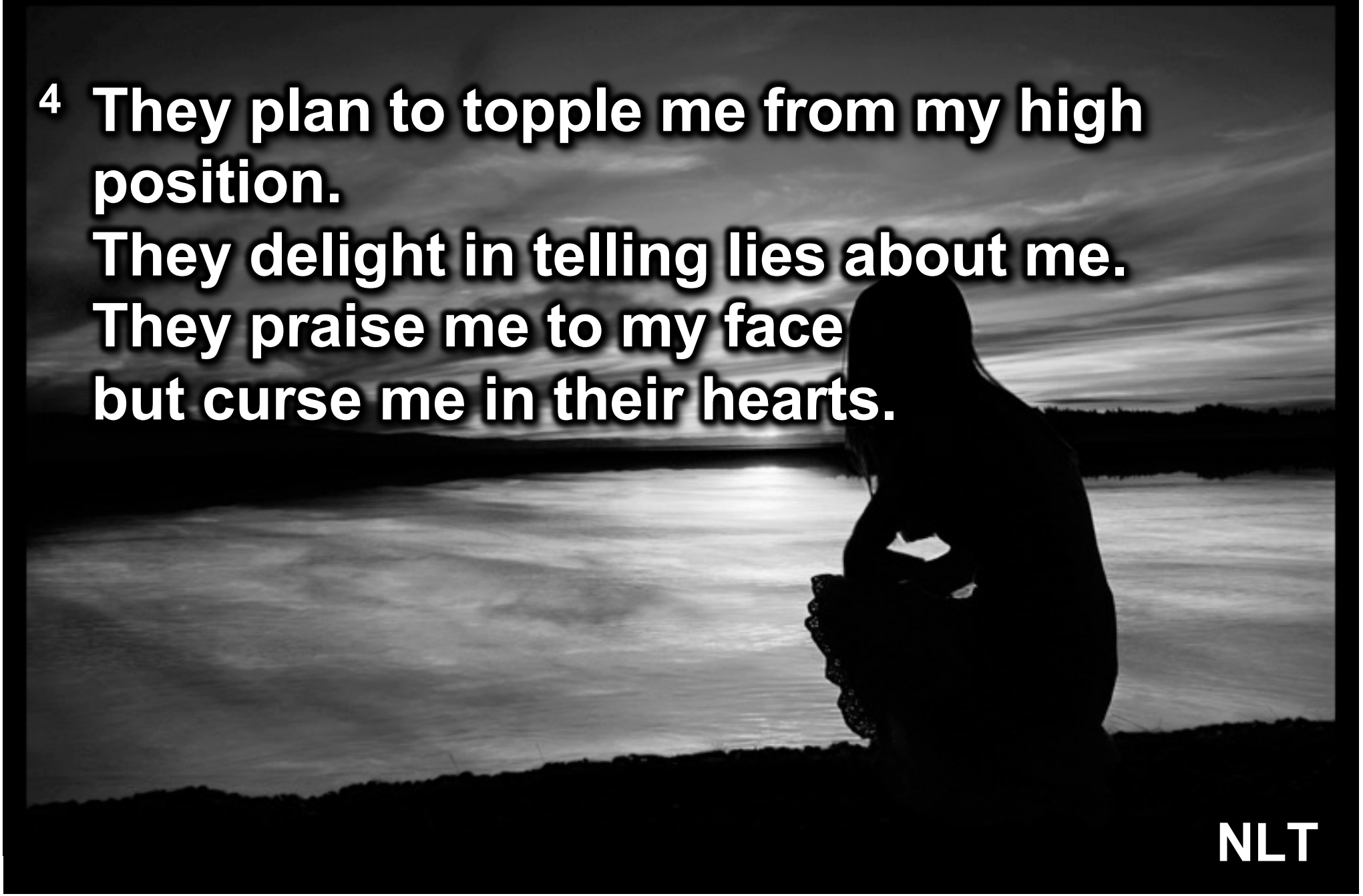
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3 So many enemies against one man—
all of them trying to kill me.
To them I'm just a broken-down wall
or a tottering fence.

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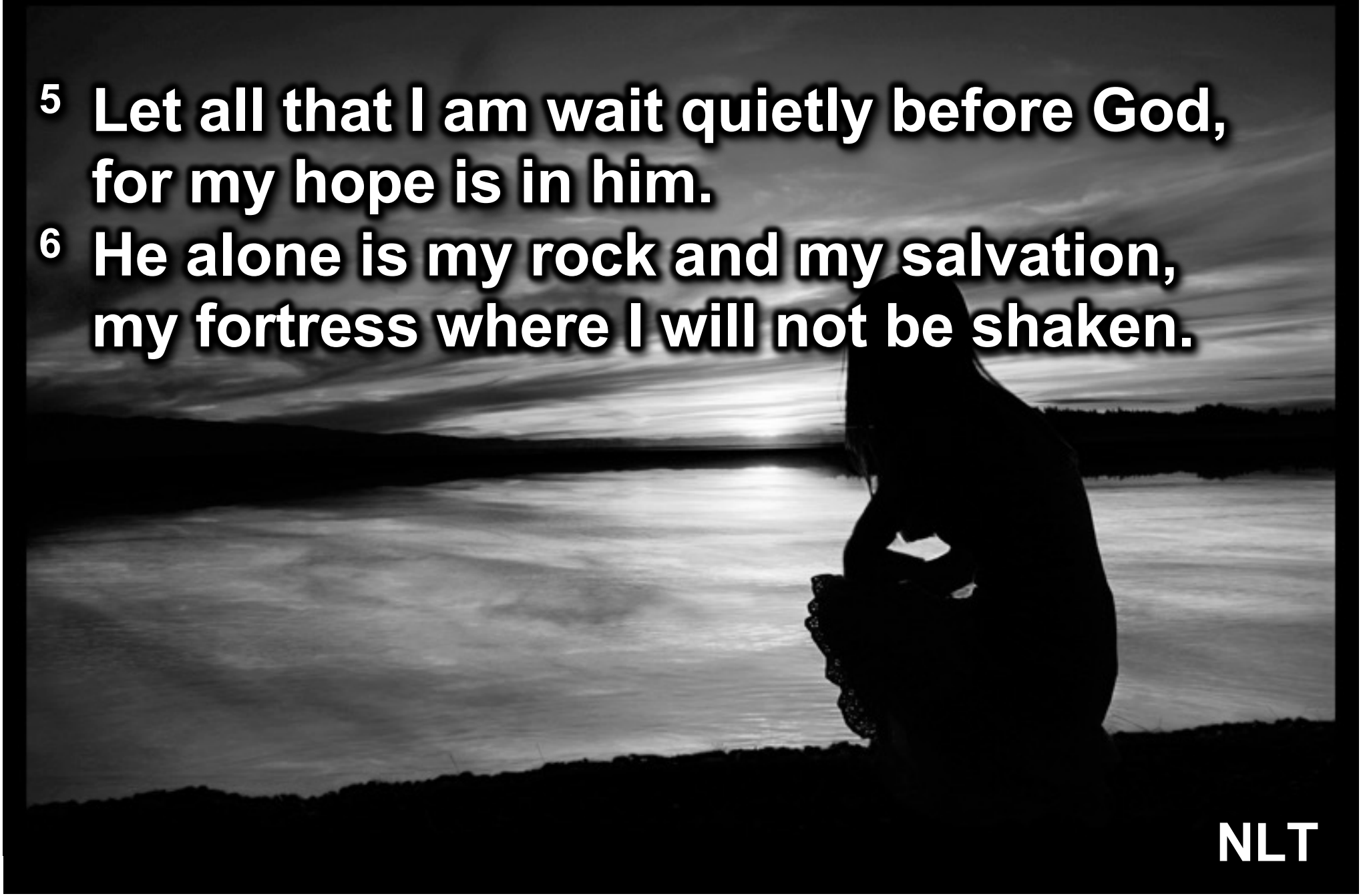
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4 They plan to topple me from my high
position.
They delight in telling lies about me.
They praise me to my face
but curse me in their hearts.

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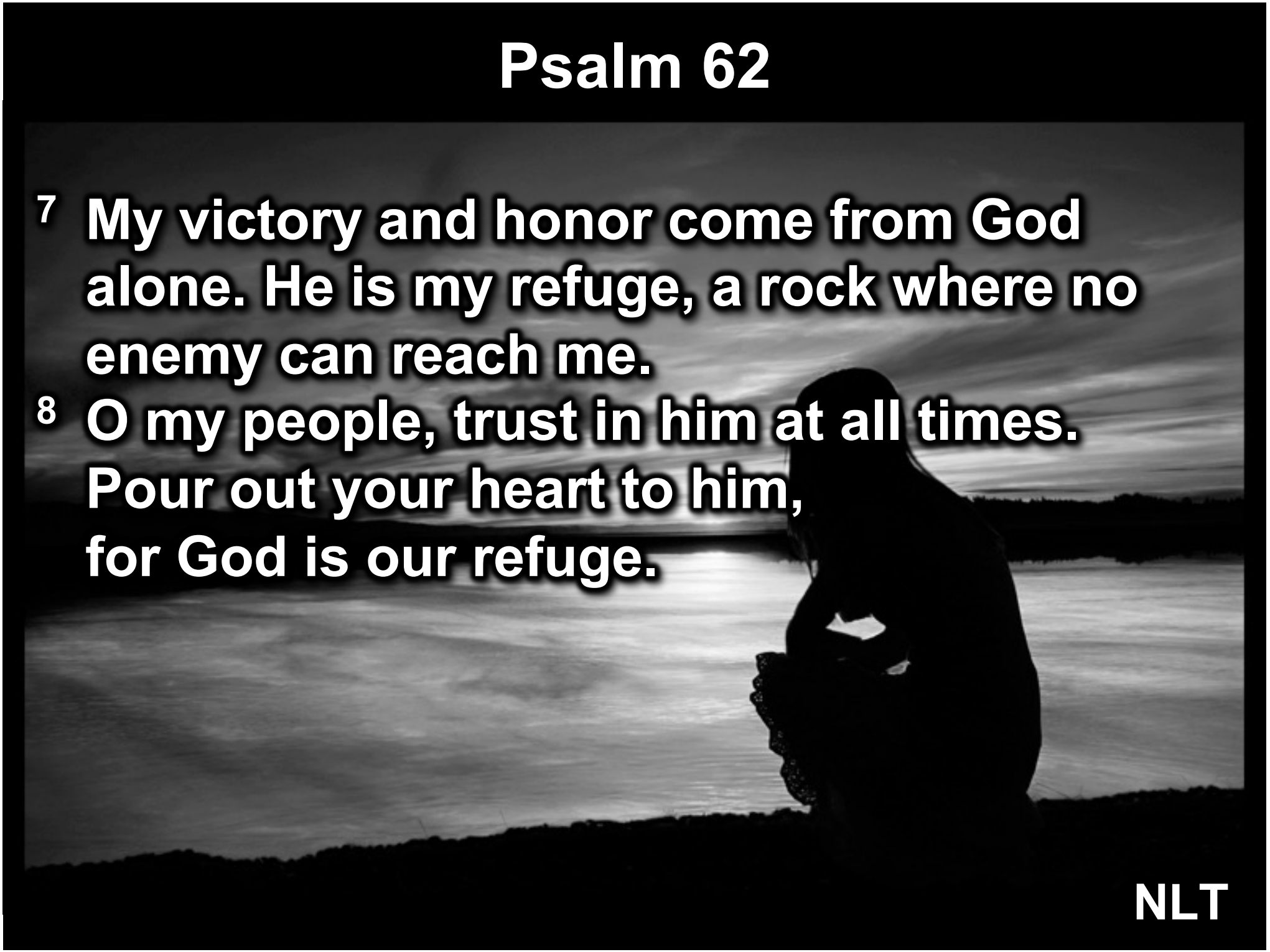
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5 Let all that I am wait quietly before God,
for my hope is in him.
6 He alone is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress where I will not be shaken.

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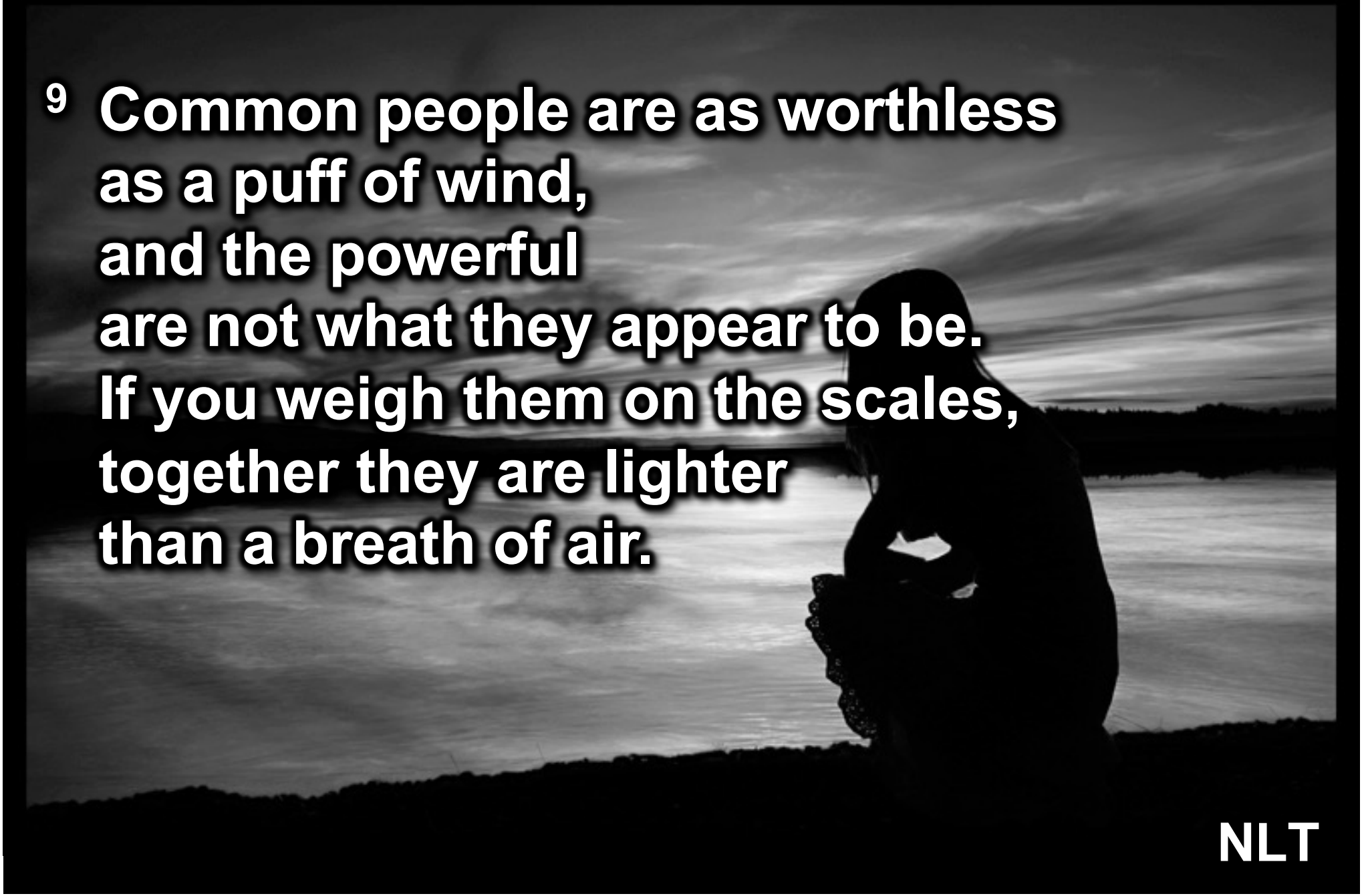
Psalm 62



7 My victory and honor come from God
alone. He is my refuge, a rock where no
enemy can reach me.
8 O my people, trust in him at all times.
Pour out your heart to him,
for God is our refuge.

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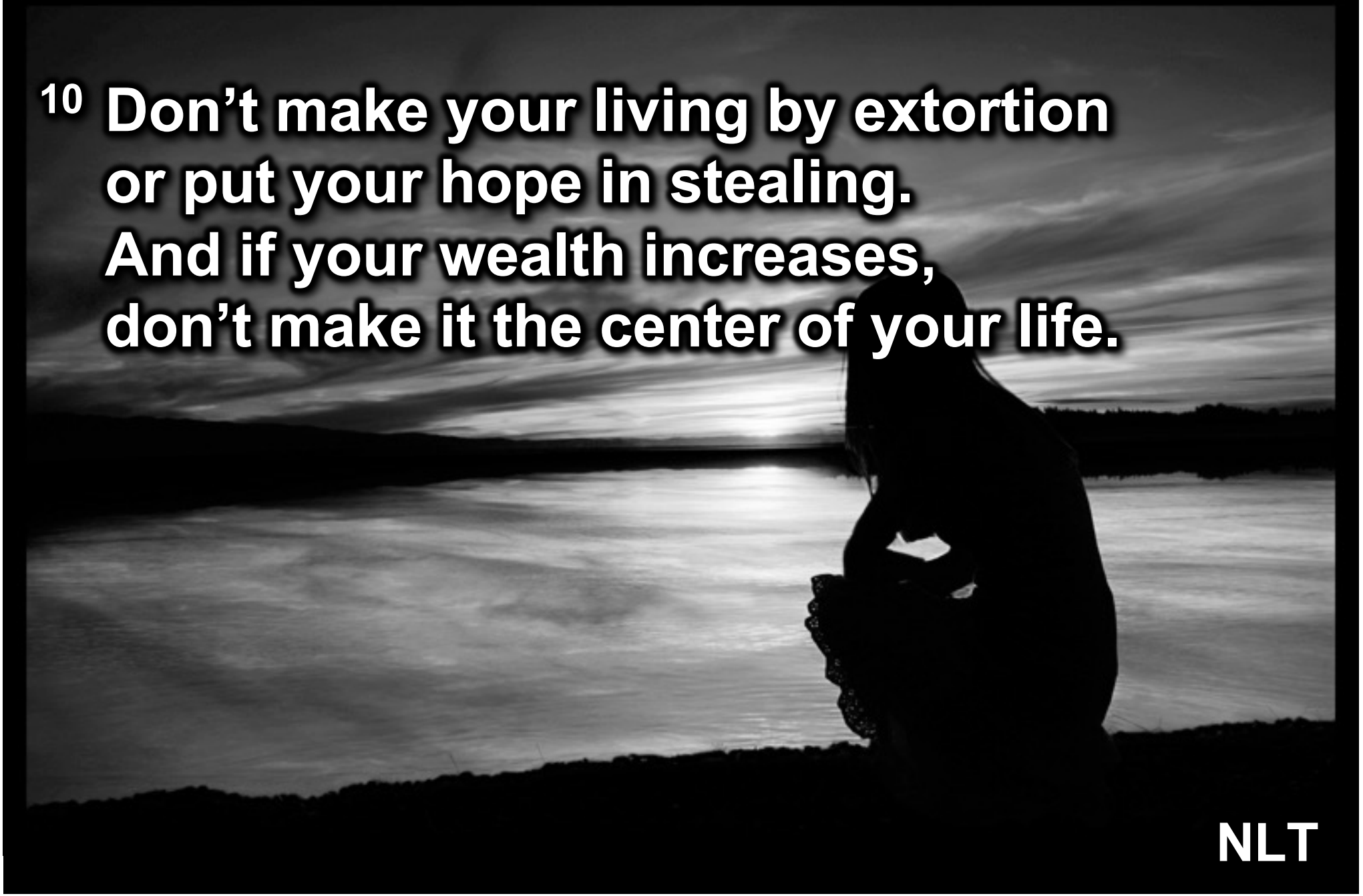
Psalm 62



9 Common people are as worthless
as a puff of wind,
and the powerful
are not what they appear to be.
If you weigh them on the scales,
together they are lighter
than a breath of air.

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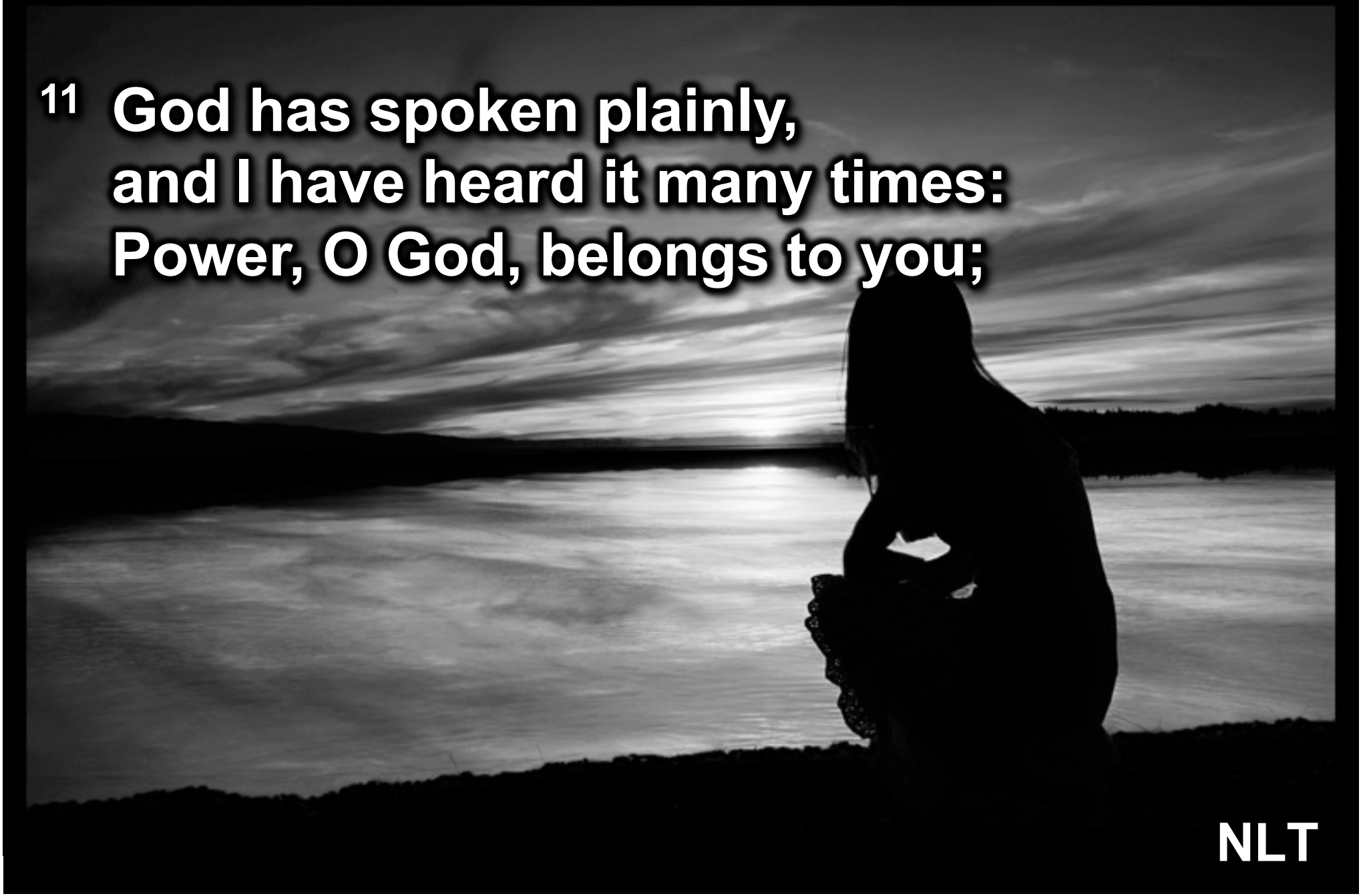
Psalm 62



10 Don’t make your living by extortion
or put your hope in stealing.
And if your wealth increases,
don’t make it the center of your life.

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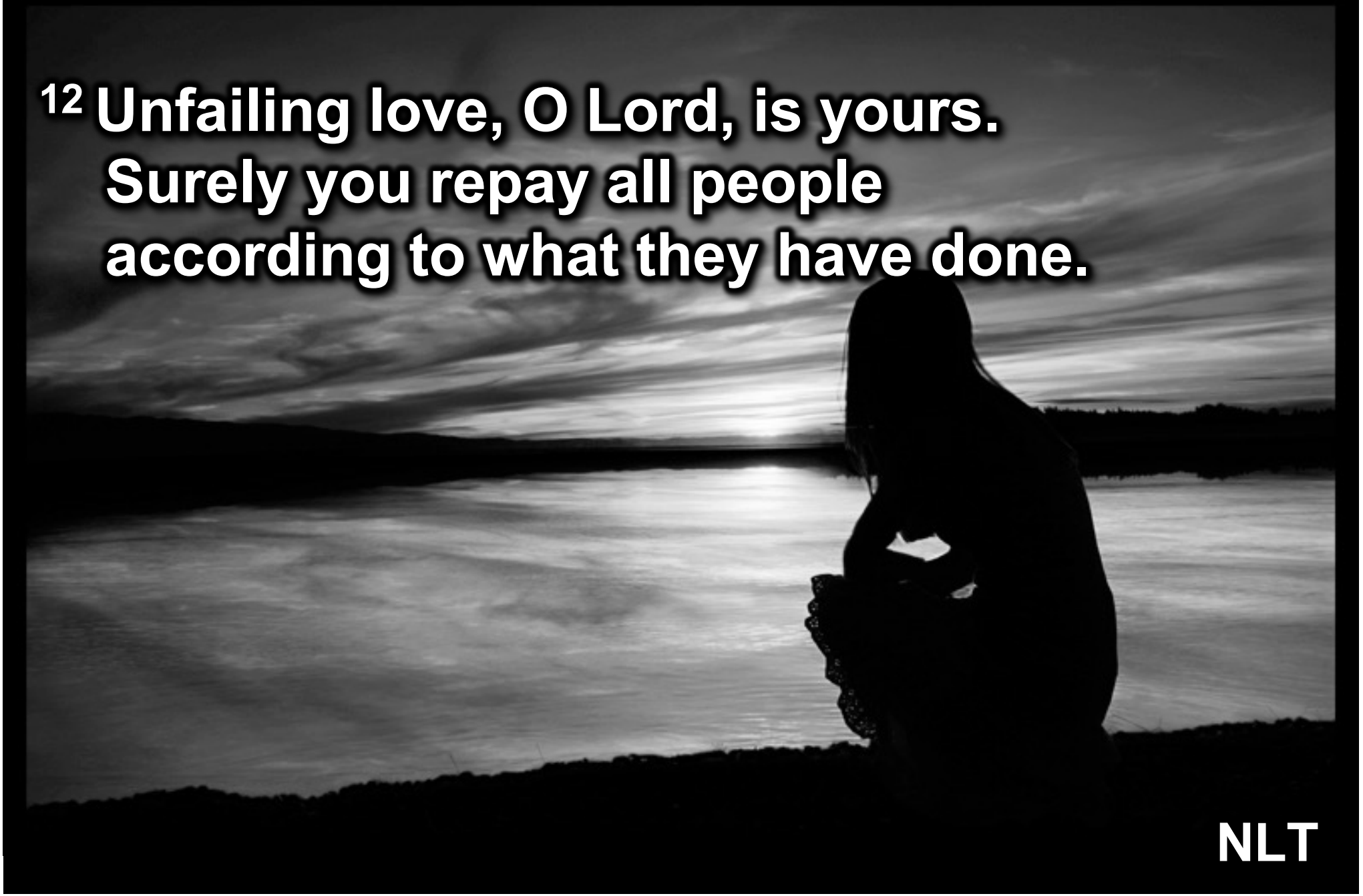
Psalm 62



11 God has spoken plainly,
and I have heard it many times:
Power, O God, belongs to you;

NLT

Psalm 62



12 Unfailing love, O Lord, is yours.
Surely you repay all people
according to what they have done.

NLT

Psalm 63

Psalm 63:2-8

Congregation in unison:

O God, you are my God – for you I long!
For you my body yearns;
for you my soul thirsts,
Like a land parched, lifeless, and without water.

Psalm 63:2-8

Women:

For your love is better than life;
my lips offer you worship!

Men:

I will bless you as long as I live;
I will lift up my hands, calling on your name.

Psalm 63:2-8

Congregation in unison:

When I think of you upon my bed,
through the night watches I will recall
That you indeed are my help,
and in the shadow of your wings
I shout for joy.

Response

Leader:

This is God's Word.

People:

Thanks be to God!

Psalm 64

Psalm 65

Psalm 66

Psalm 67

Psalm 68

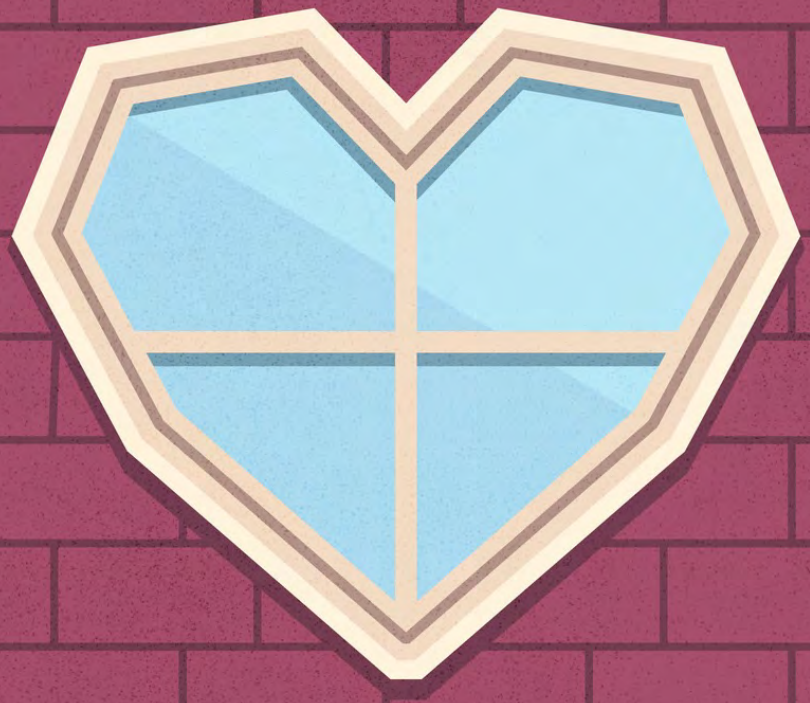
Processions: Psalm 68

“Your procession has come into view, O God, the procession of my God and King into the sanctuary…”



David and the Ark — Ademollo — c. 1816

Psalm 69



O God, you know my folly;
the wrongs I have done are

NOT HIDDEN
FROM YOU.

Psalm 69:5

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Types of Psalms

Pour out your wrath on them;
let your fierce anger overtake them.

(Ps. 69:24)

Imprecatory Psalms

May they be blotted out of the book of life
and not be listed with the righteous.

(Ps. 69:28)

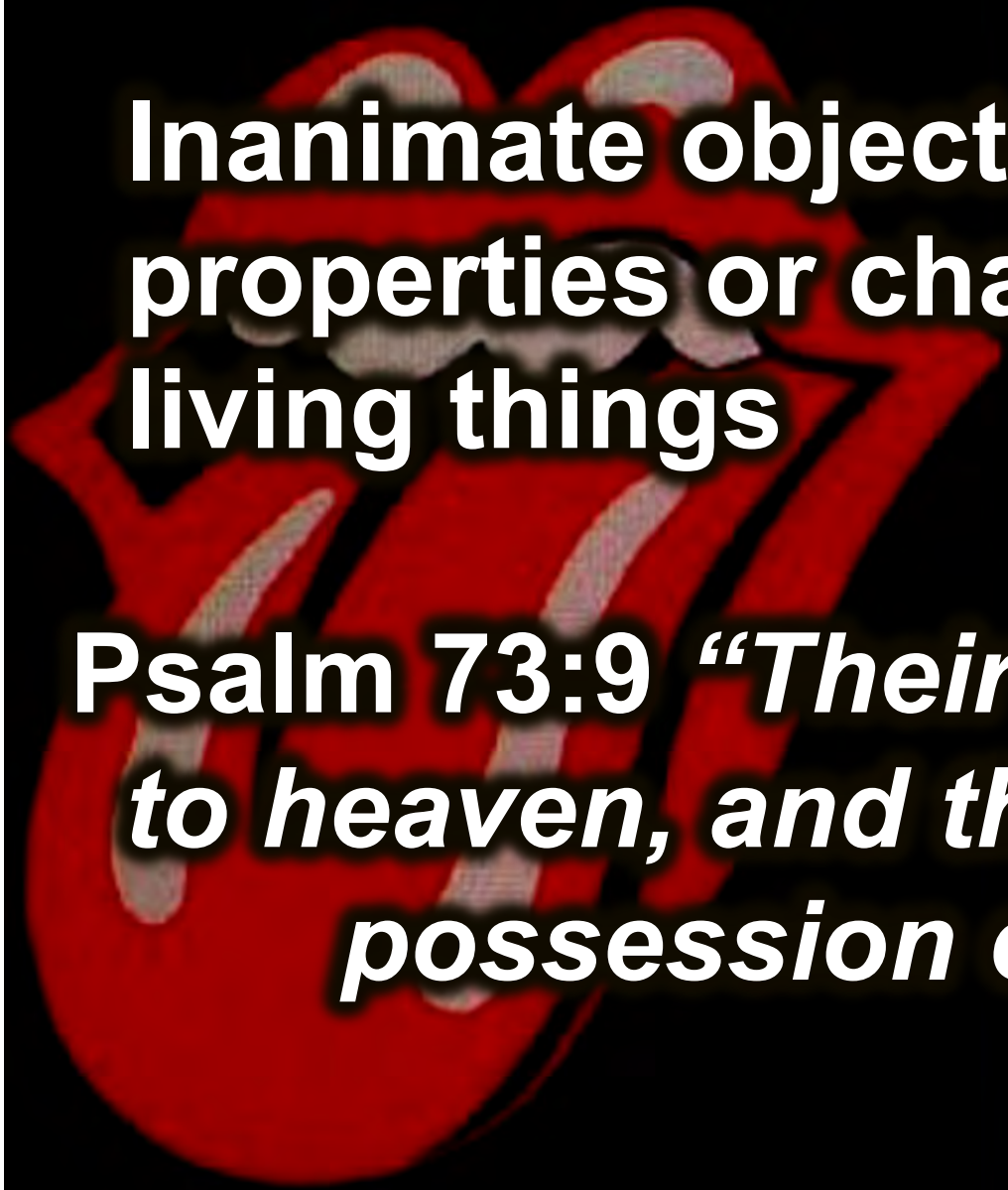
Psalm 70

Psalm 71

Psalm 72

Psalm 73

Personification



Inanimate objects are given properties or characteristics of living things

Psalm 73:9 *"Their mouths lay claim to heaven, and their tongues take possession of the earth."*

Psalm 74

Psalm 75

Psalm 76

Psalm 77

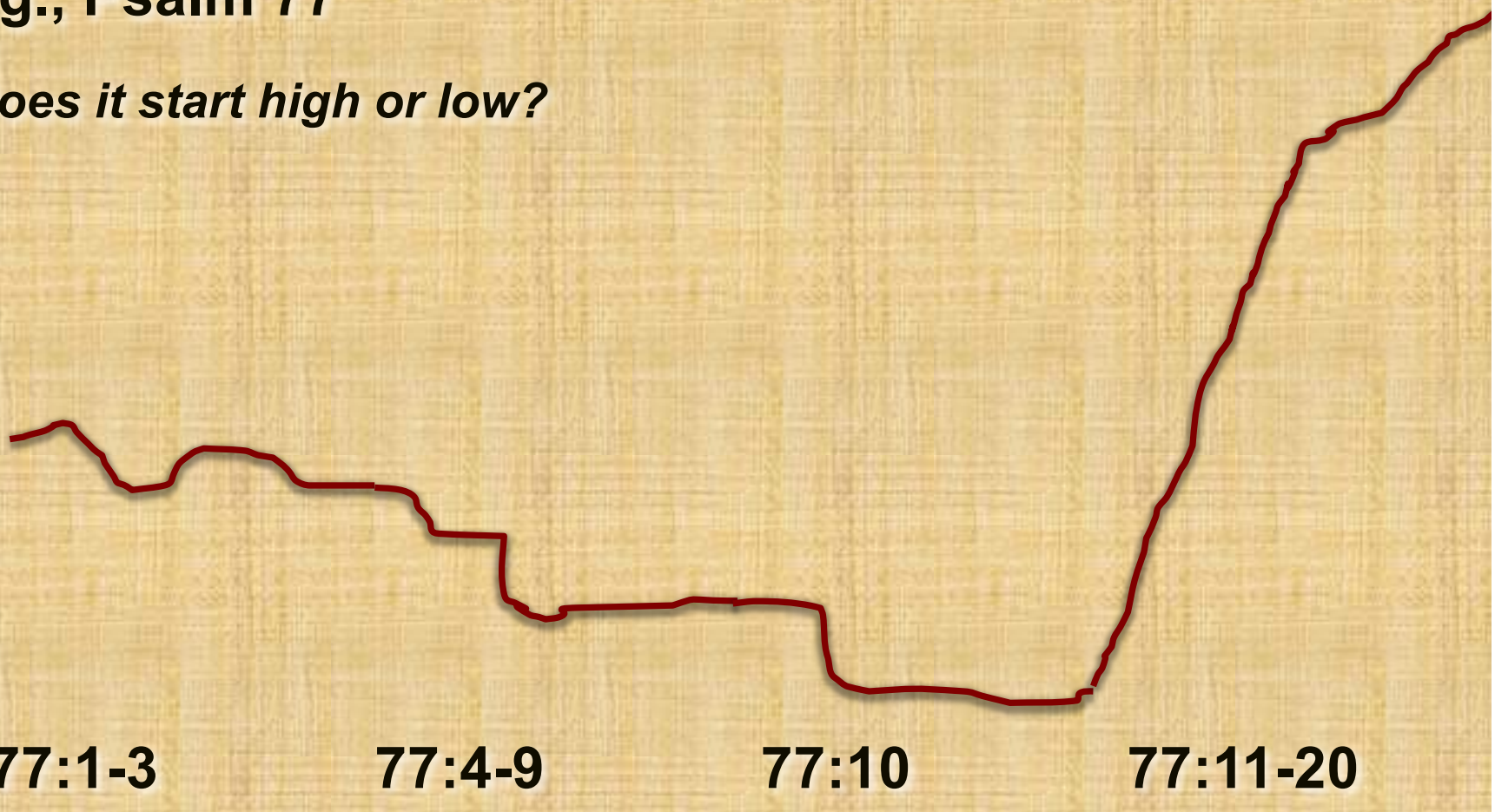
Tips for Interpreting the Psalms

H. Read psalms slowly (in our speed-reading day).

I. Graph the emotional outline of the psalm.

e.g., Psalm 77

Does it start high or low?



Psalm 78

Types of Psalms

He did miracles in the sight of their fathers;
in the land of Egypt, in the region of Zoan.
He divided the sea and led them through;
He made the water stand firm like a wall.

(Ps. 78:12-13)

- **History**

Psalm 79

Psalm 80

Psalm 81

Psalm 82

Psalm 83

Psalm 84

Psalm 85

Psalm 86

Psalm 87

Psalm 88

Psalm 89

Psalm 90

Psalm 90 (NIV)

Leader

[1] Lord, you have been our dwelling place
throughout all generations.

Congregation

[2] Before the mountains were born
or you brought forth the whole world,
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

Psalm 90 (NIV)

Leader

3 You turn people back to dust,
saying, “Return to dust, you mortals.”

Congregation

4 A thousand years in your sight
are like a day that has just gone by,
or like a watch in the night.

Psalm 90 (NIV)

Leader

5 Yet you sweep people away in the sleep of death—
they are like the new grass of the morning:

Congregation

6 In the morning it springs up new,
but by evening it is dry and withered.

Psalm 90 (NIV)

Leader

7 We are consumed by your anger
and terrified by your indignation.

Congregation

8 You have set our iniquities before you,
our secret sins in the light of your
presence.

Psalm 90 (NIV)

Leader

9 All our days pass away under your wrath;
we finish our years with a moan.

Congregation

10 Our days may come to seventy years,
or eighty, if our strength endures;
yet the best of them are but trouble and sorrow,
for they quickly pass, and we fly away.

Psalm 90 (NIV)

Leader

11 If only we knew the power of your anger!
Your wrath is as great as the fear that is your due.

Congregation

12 Teach us to number our days,
that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

Psalm 90 (NIV)

Leader

13 Relent, Lord! How long will it be?
Have compassion on your servants.

Congregation

14 Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love,
that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

Psalm 90 (NIV)

Leader

15 Make us glad for as many days as you have
afflicted us,
for as many years as we have seen trouble.

Congregation

16 May your deeds be shown to your
servants,
your splendor to their children.

Psalm 90 (NIV)

Leader

17 May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us;

establish the work of our hands for us—

yes, establish the work of our hands.

Psalm 91

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Refuge under His wings

Psalm 91



























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Psalm 92

Psalm 93

Psalm 94

Psalm 95



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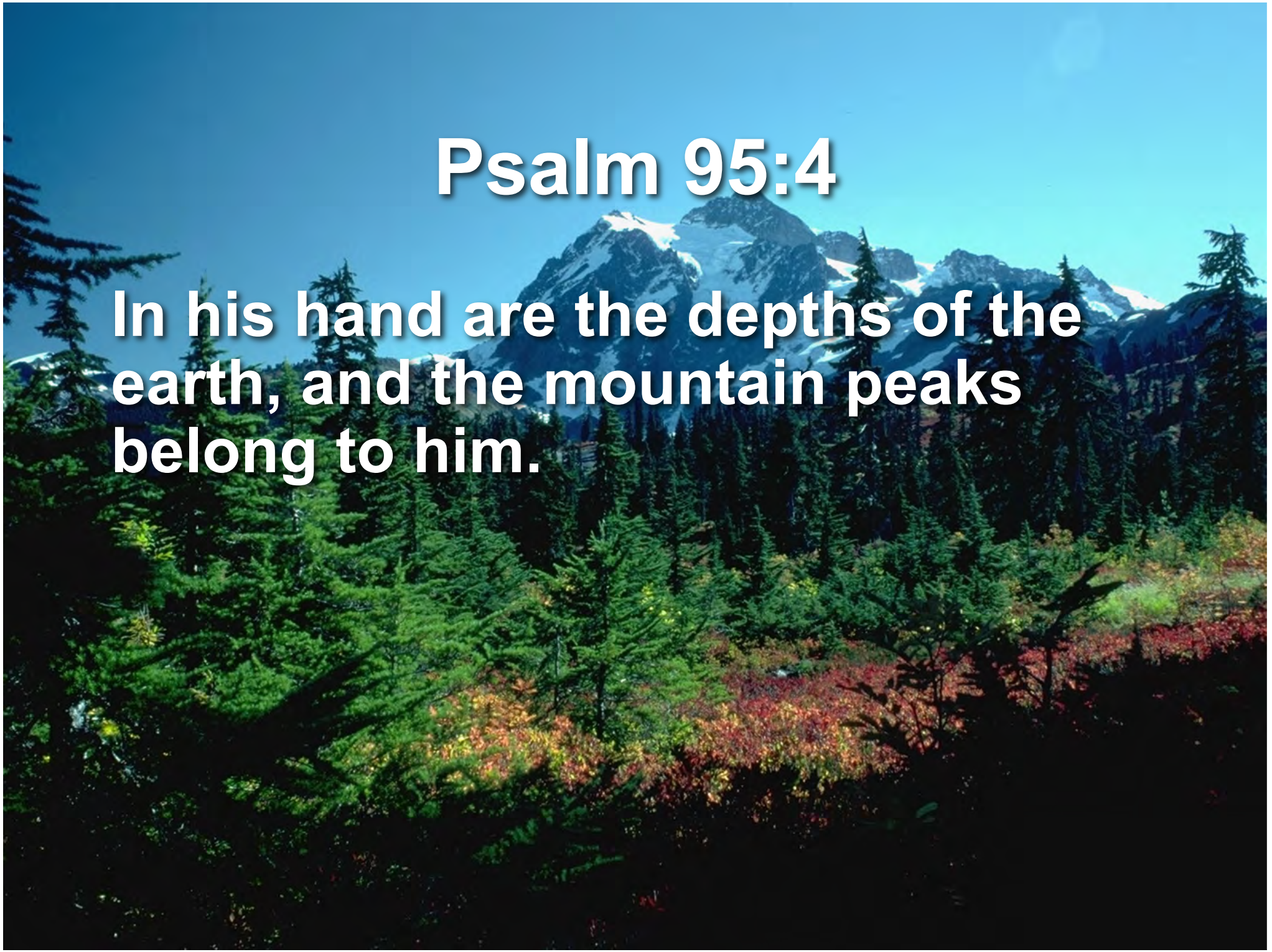
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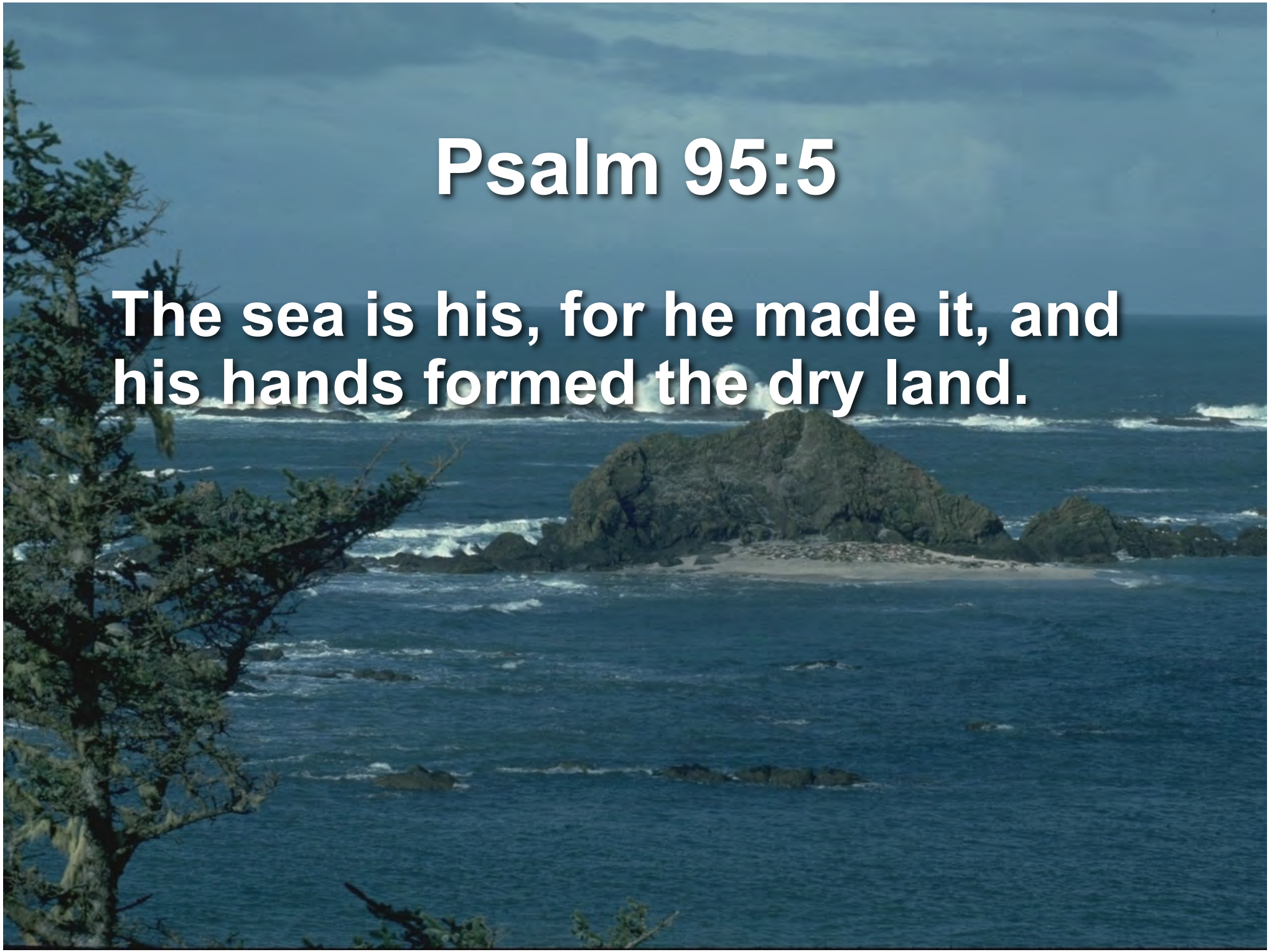
**“For the LORD is the great God,
the great King above all gods.”**


Psalm 95:1
Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.


Psalm 95:2
Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.


Psalm 95:3
For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods.


Psalm 95:4
In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him.


Psalm 95:5
The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.


Psalm 95:6
Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;


Psalm 95:7
for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

Psalm 96

Psalm 97

Psalm 98

Types of Psalms

- **Hymn (Descriptive Praise)**

"Sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done marvelous things;
His right hand and his holy arm
have worked salvation for him."

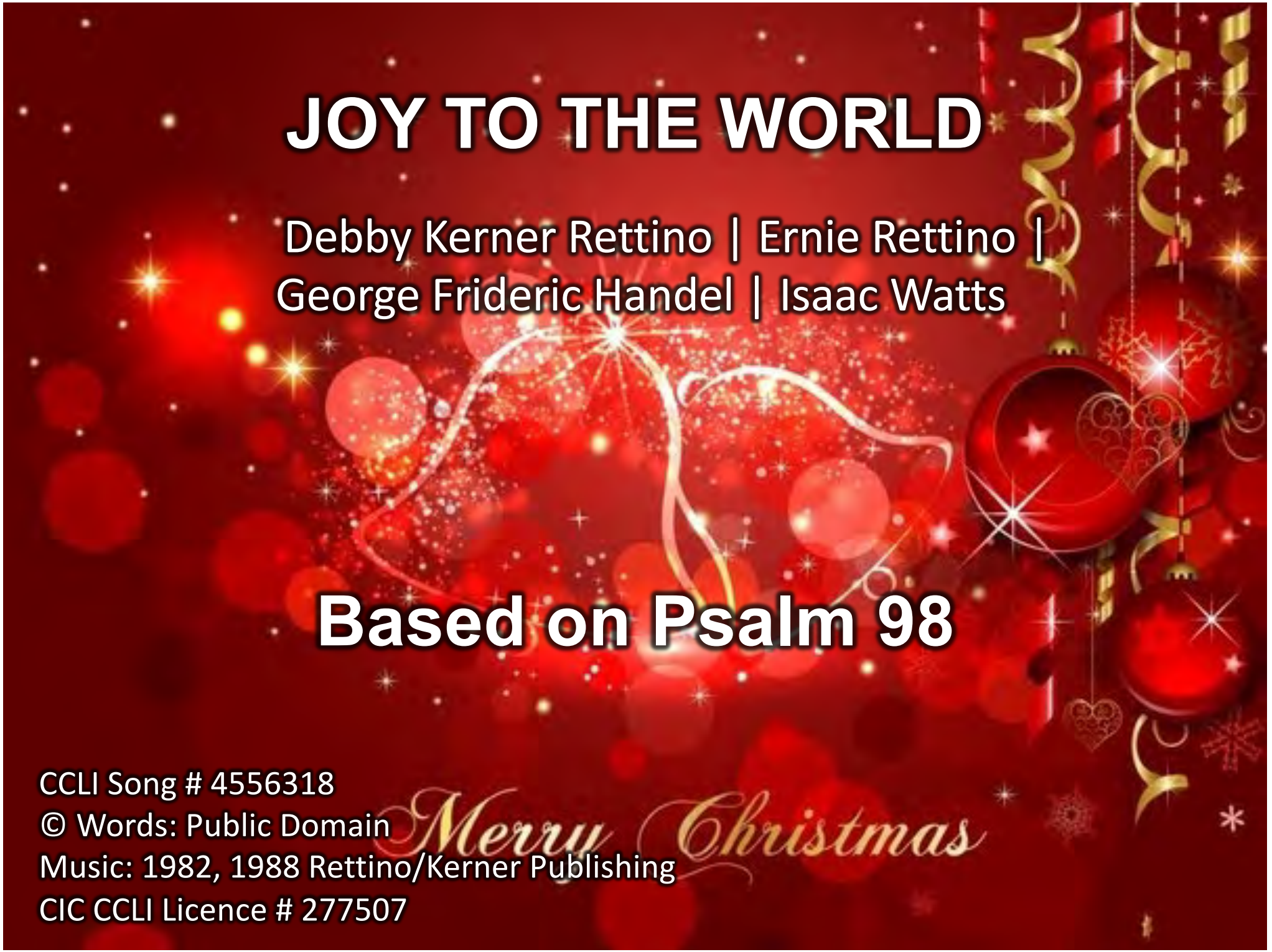
(Ps. 98:1)

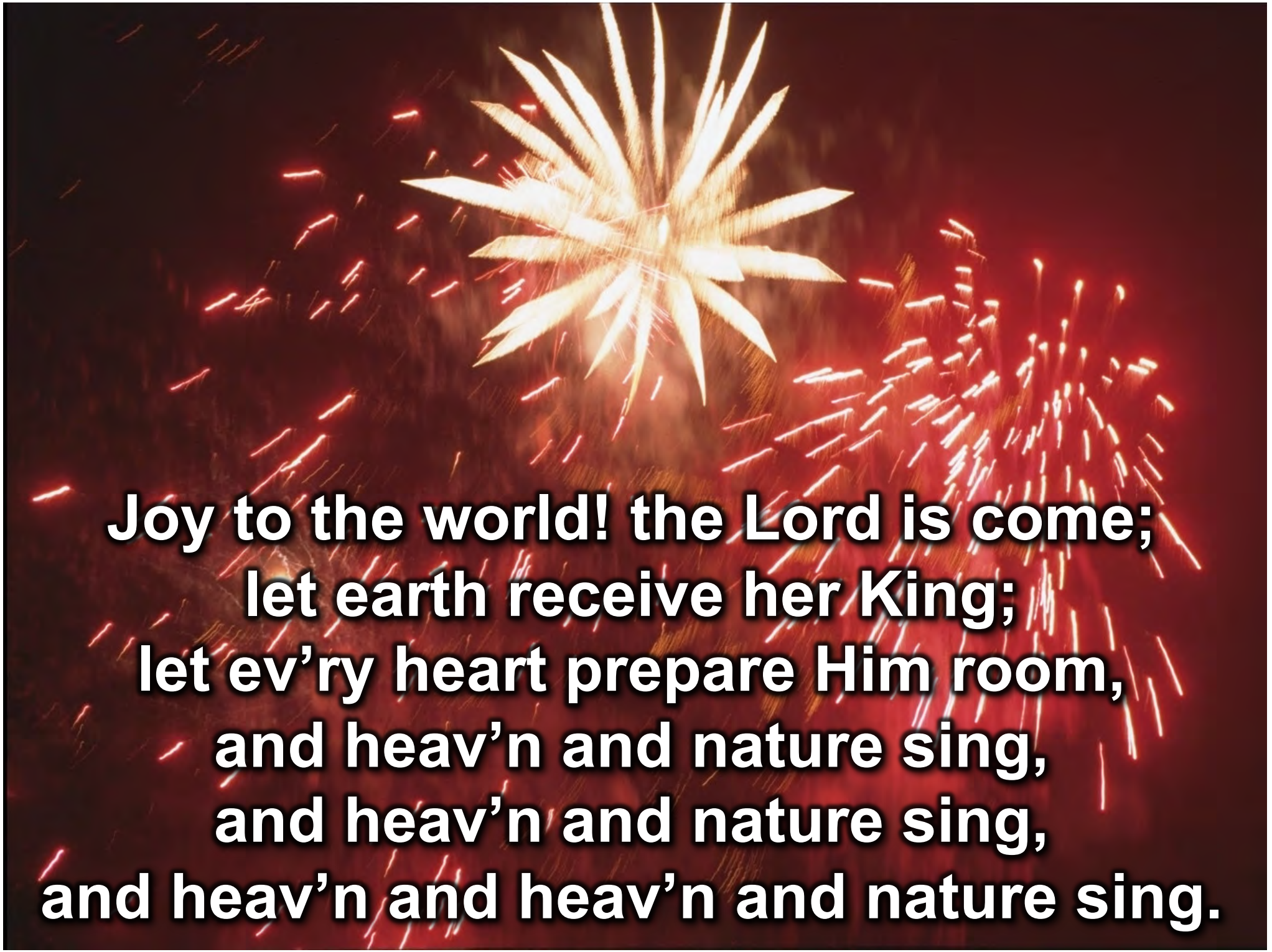
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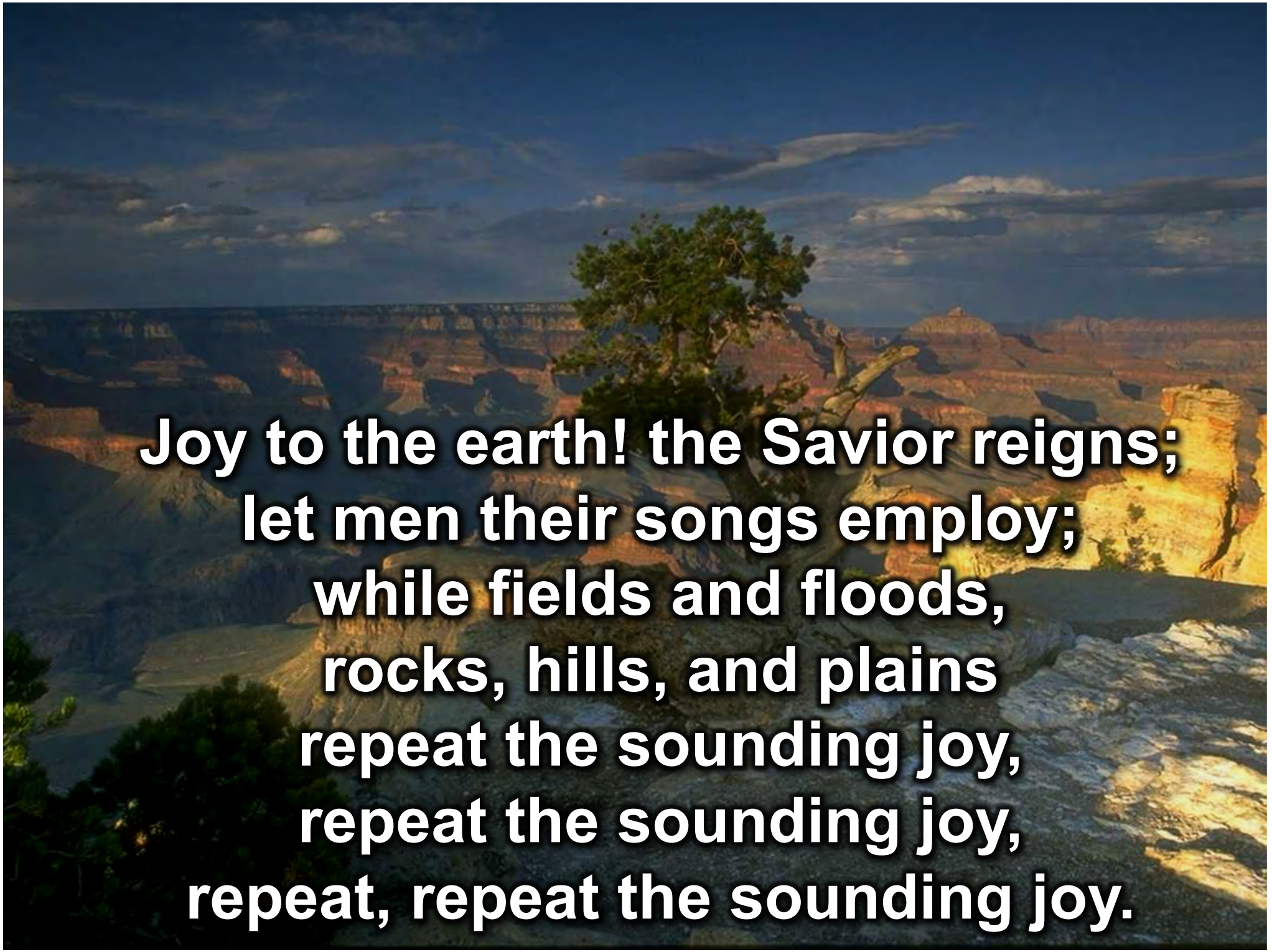
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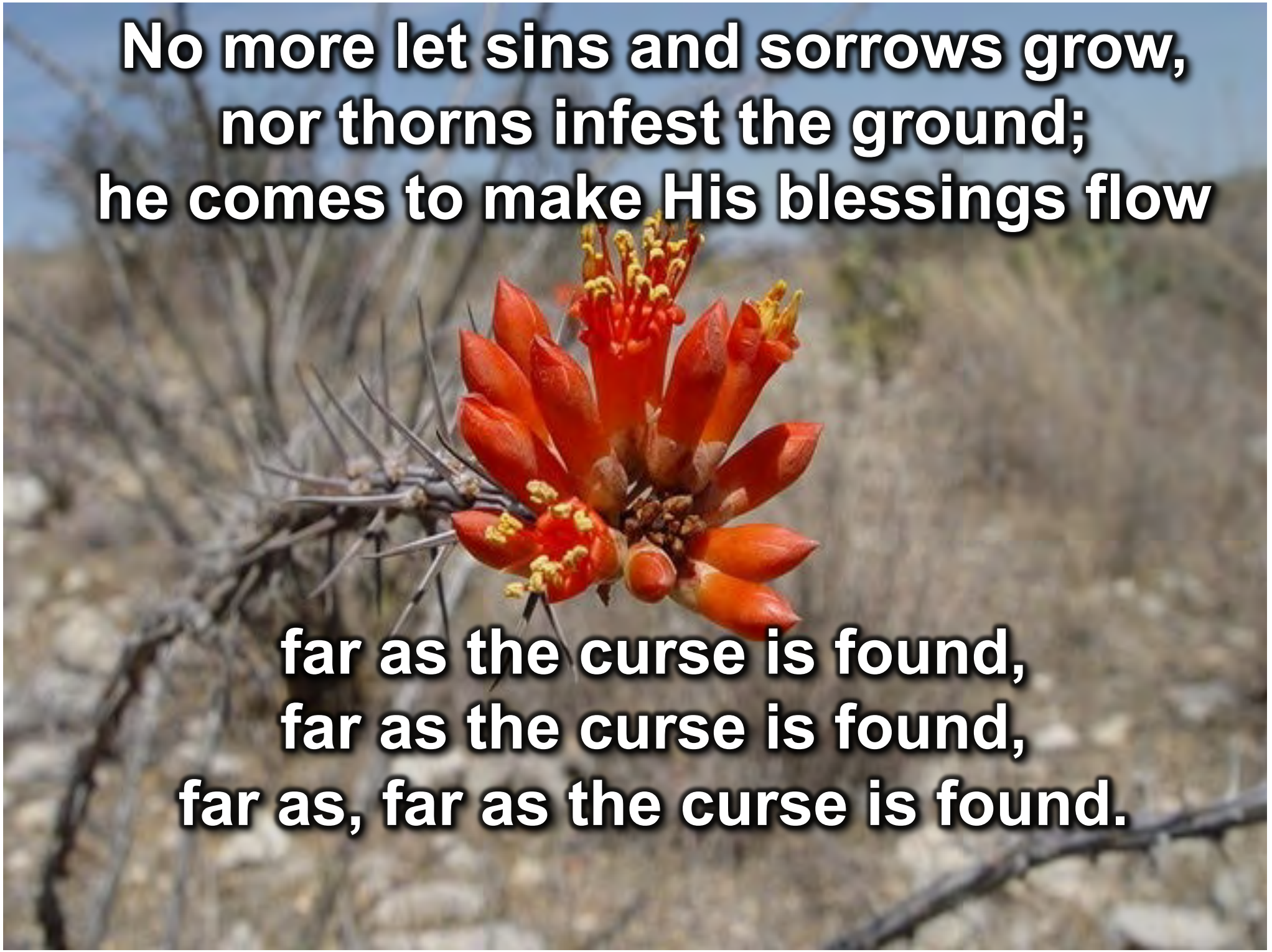
- **Hymn Structure (Descriptive Praise)**

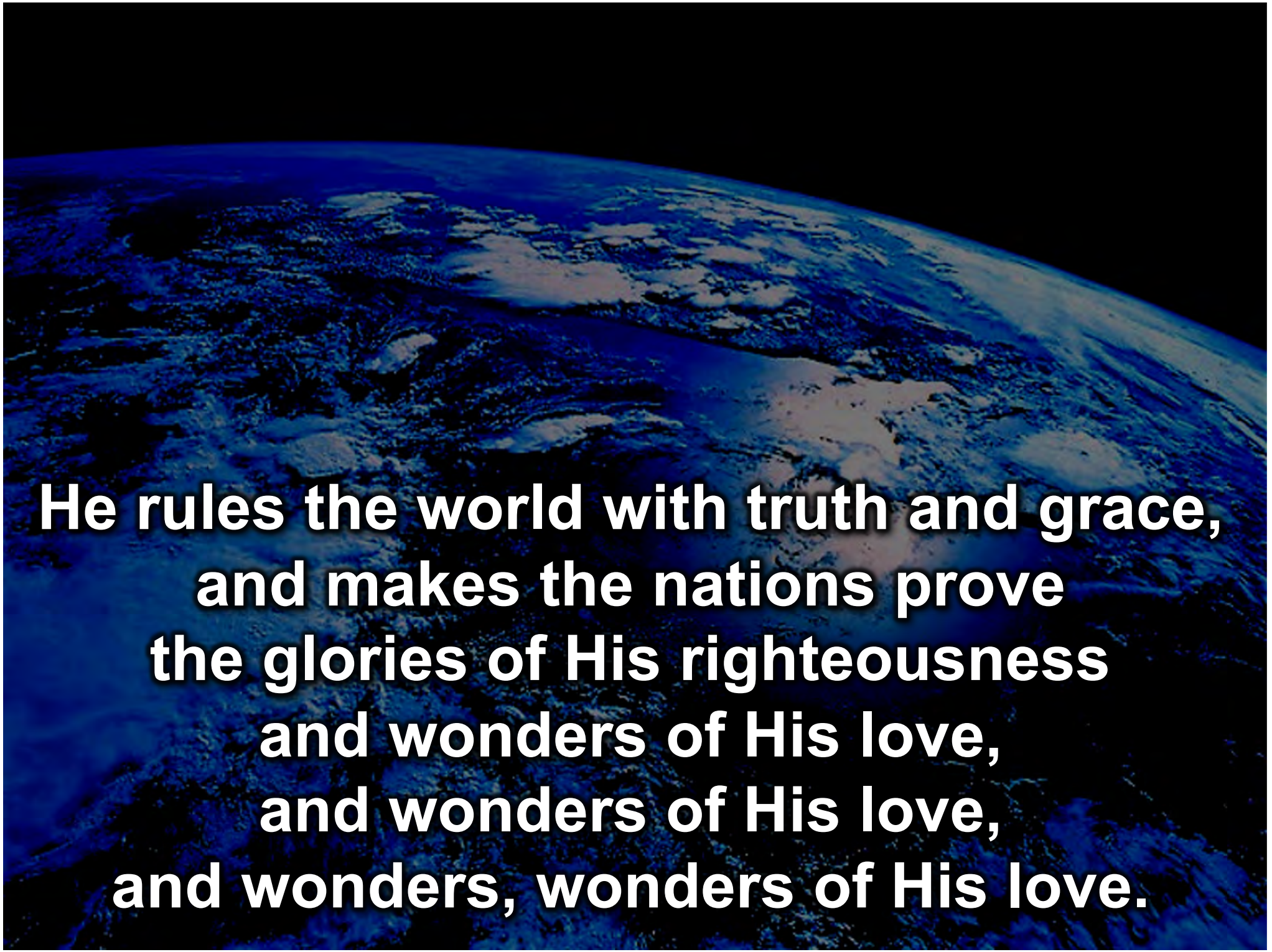
Prologue: e.g., "Hallelujah"
Call to Praise
Cause for Praise
Conclusion: renewed call to praise
Epilogue: e.g., "Hallelujah"


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Merry Christmas


Joy to the world! the Lord is come;
let earth receive her King;
let ev'ry heart prepare Him room,
and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n and heav'n and nature sing.


Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns;
let men their songs employ;
while fields and floods,
rocks, hills, and plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

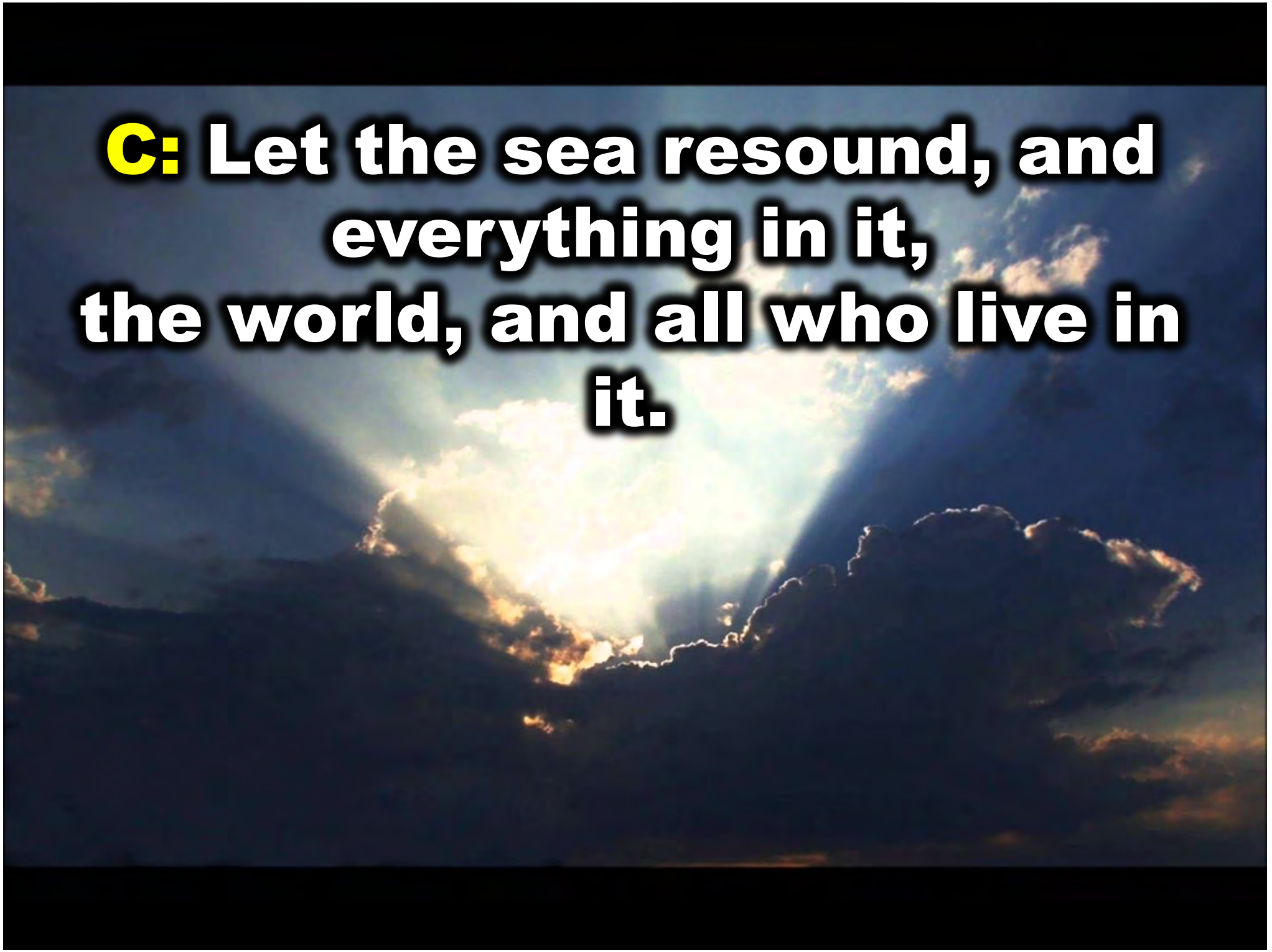

No more let sins and sorrows grow,
nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make His blessings flow
far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found,
far as, far as the curse is found.


He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of His righteousness
and wonders of His love,
and wonders of His love,
and wonders, wonders of His love.


WL: Shout for joy to the LORD,
all the earth,
burst into jubilant song with
music;
Psalm 98:4-9 NIV


C: Make music to the LORD
with the harp,
with the harp and the sound of
singing,


WL: With trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn—
shout for joy before the LORD, the King.

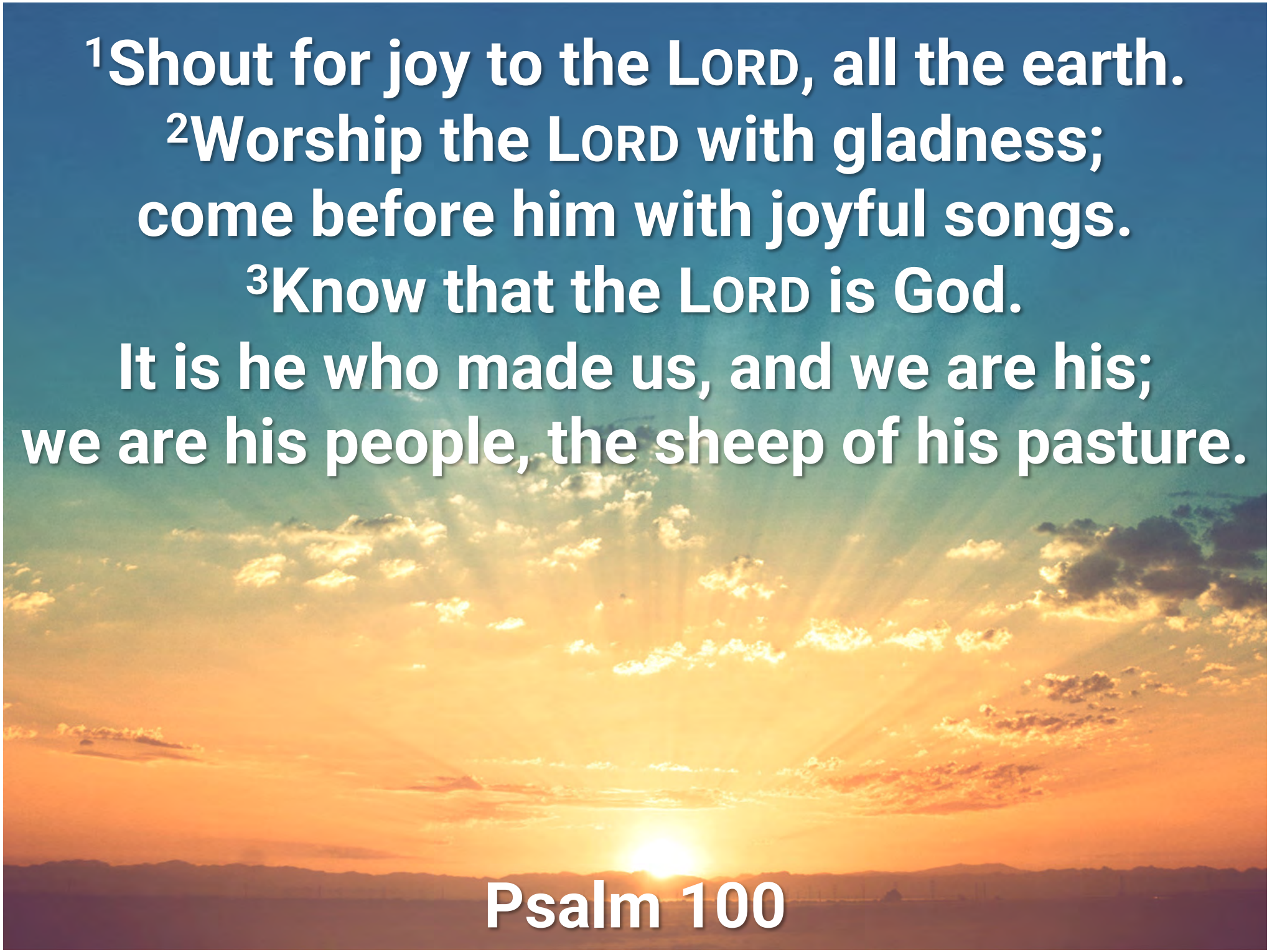

C: Let the sea resound, and everything in it,
the world, and all who live in it.

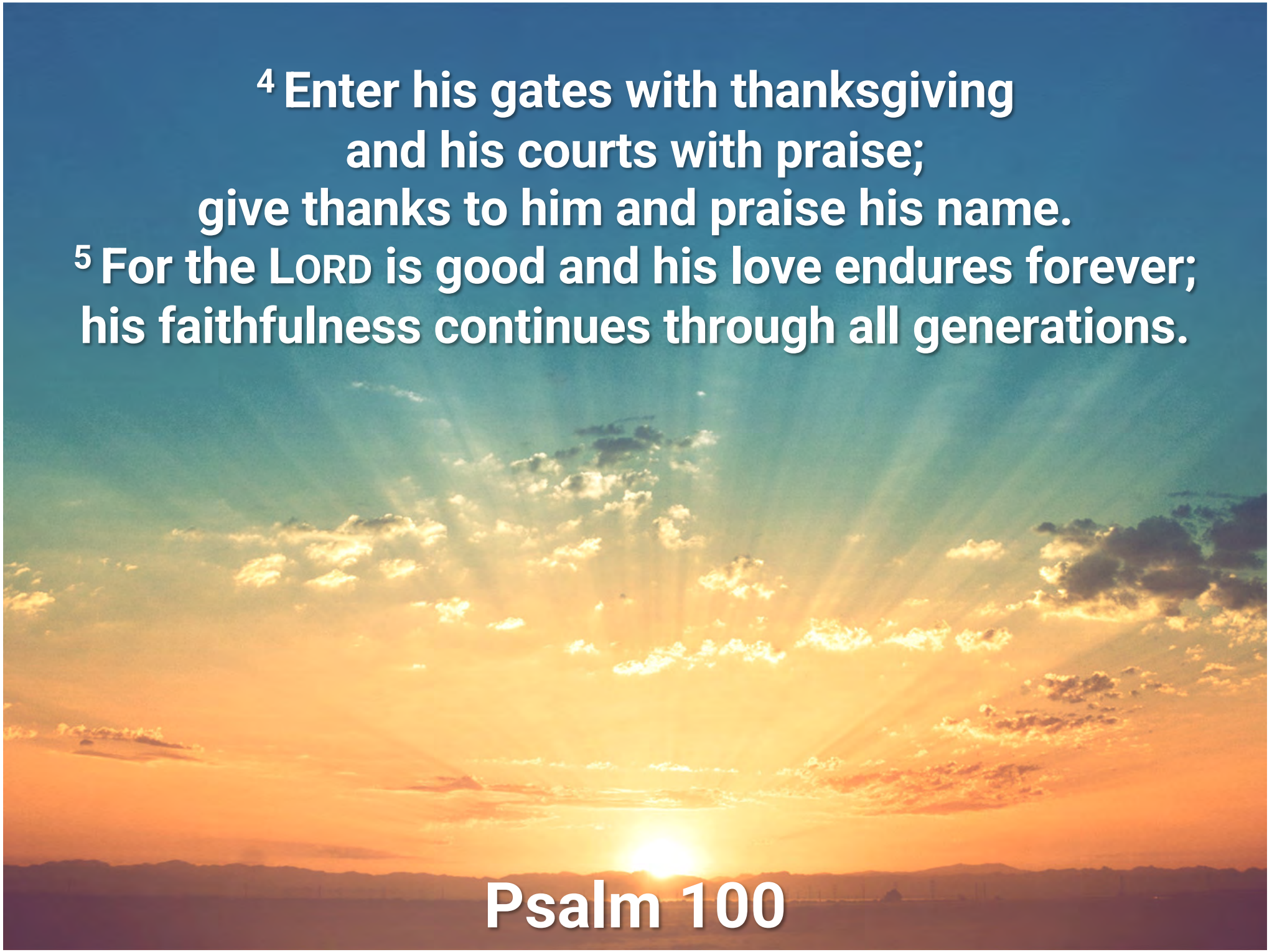

WL: Let the rivers clap their hands,
let the mountains sing together for joy;


ALL: let them sing before the LORD,
for he comes to judge the earth.
He will judge the world in righteousness
and the peoples with equity.

Psalm 99

Psalm 100


[1]Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.
[2]Worship the LORD with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.
[3]Know that the LORD is God.
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.
Psalm 100


4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name.
5 For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;
his faithfulness continues through all generations.
Psalm 100

Psalm 101

Psalm 102

Lament

O my Lord, my God, why have you allowed this to happen to me?

Why are you so far from saving me, so far from the words of my groaning?

Lament

"LORD, hear my prayer!
Listen to my plea!
2 Don't turn away from me
in my time of distress.
Bend down to listen,
and answer me quickly
when I call to you."

Psalm 102:1-2


Lament to God Alone
“Hear my prayer, O LORD; let my cry for help come to you.
Do not hide your face from me when I am in distress.
Turn your ear to me; when I call, answer me quickly.”
Psalm 102:1-2

Psalm 103

Worship Leader

**Let all that I am praise the LORD;
with my whole heart, I will praise his
holy name.**

Psalm 103:1-18

Congregation

**Let all that I am praise the LORD;
may I never forget the good things he
does for me.**

Psalm 103:1-18

Worship Leader

He forgives all my sins
and heals all my diseases.

Psalm 103:1-18

Congregation

He redeems me from death and crowns me with love and tender mercies.

Psalm 103:1-18

Worship Leader

He fills my life with good things.
My youth is renewed like the eagle's!

Psalm 103:1-18

Congregation

The LORD gives righteousness and justice to all who are treated unfairly.

Psalm 103:1-18

Worship Leader

He revealed his character to Moses and his deeds to the people of Israel.

Psalm 103:1-18

Congregation

**The LORD is compassionate and merciful,
slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love.**

Psalm 103:1-18

Worship Leader

**He will not constantly accuse us,
nor remain angry forever.**

Psalm 103:1-18

Congregation

He does not punish us for all our sins; he does not deal harshly with us, as we deserve.

Psalm 103:1-18

Worship Leader

For his unfailing love toward those who fear him
is as great as the height of the heavens above the earth.

Psalm 103:1-18

Congregation

He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west.

Psalm 103:1-18

Worship Leader

The LORD is like a father to his children, tender and compassionate to those who fear him.

Psalm 103:1-18

Congregation

For he knows how weak we are;
he remembers we are only dust.

Psalm 103:1-18

Worship Leader

**Our days on earth are like grass;
like wildflowers, we bloom and die.**

Psalm 103:1-18

Congregation

**The wind blows, and we are gone—
as though we had never been here.**

Psalm 103:1-18

Worship Leader

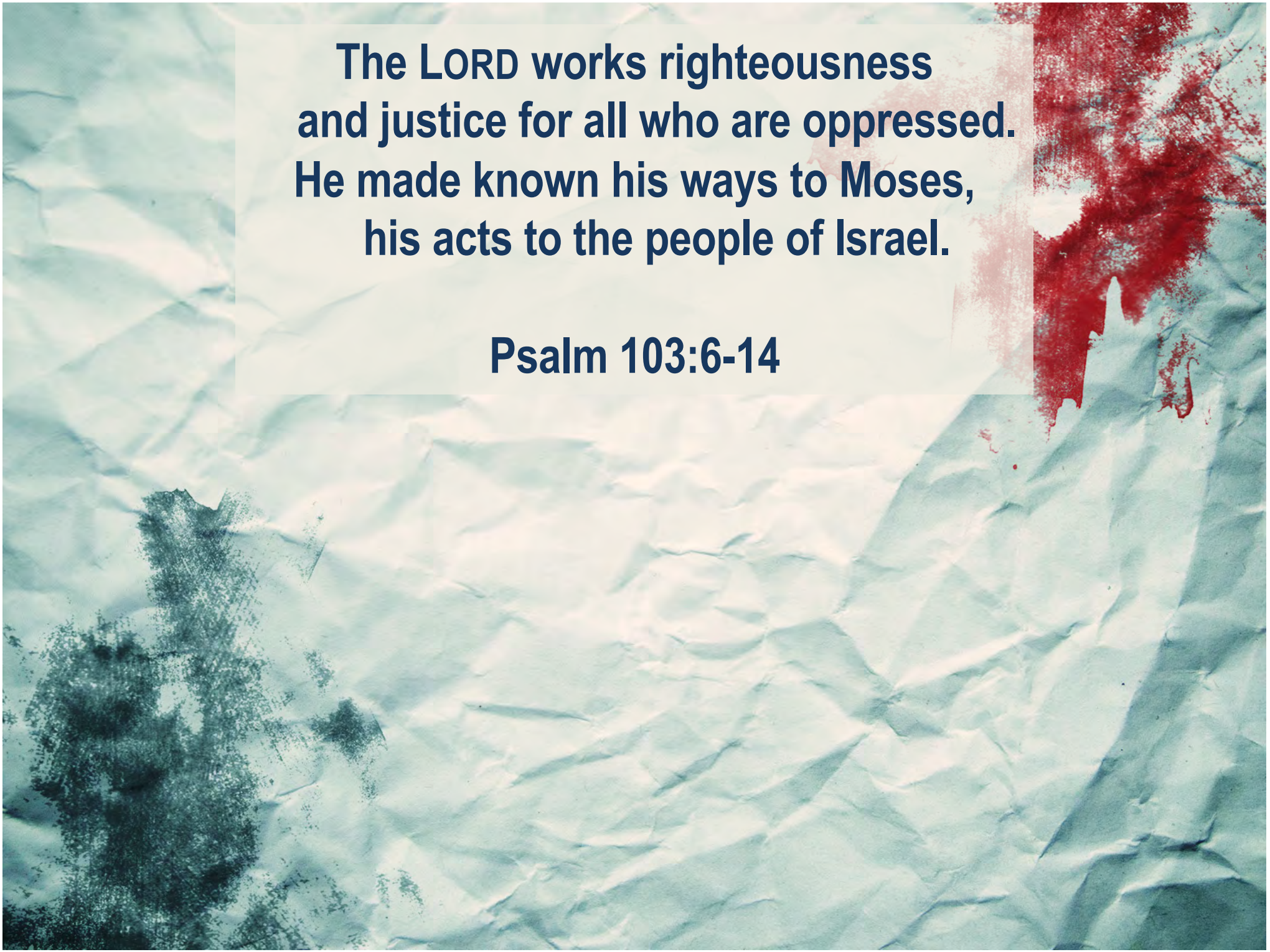
**But the love of the LORD remains forever with those who fear him.
His salvation extends to the children's children**

Psalm 103:1-18

Congregation

of those who are faithful to his covenant,
of those who obey his commandments!

Psalm 103:1-18


The LORD works righteousness
and justice for all who are oppressed.
He made known his ways to Moses,
his acts to the people of Israel.
Psalm 103:6-14


The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
He will not always chide,
nor will he keep his anger for ever.
Psalm 103:6-14

He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love towards those who fear him;

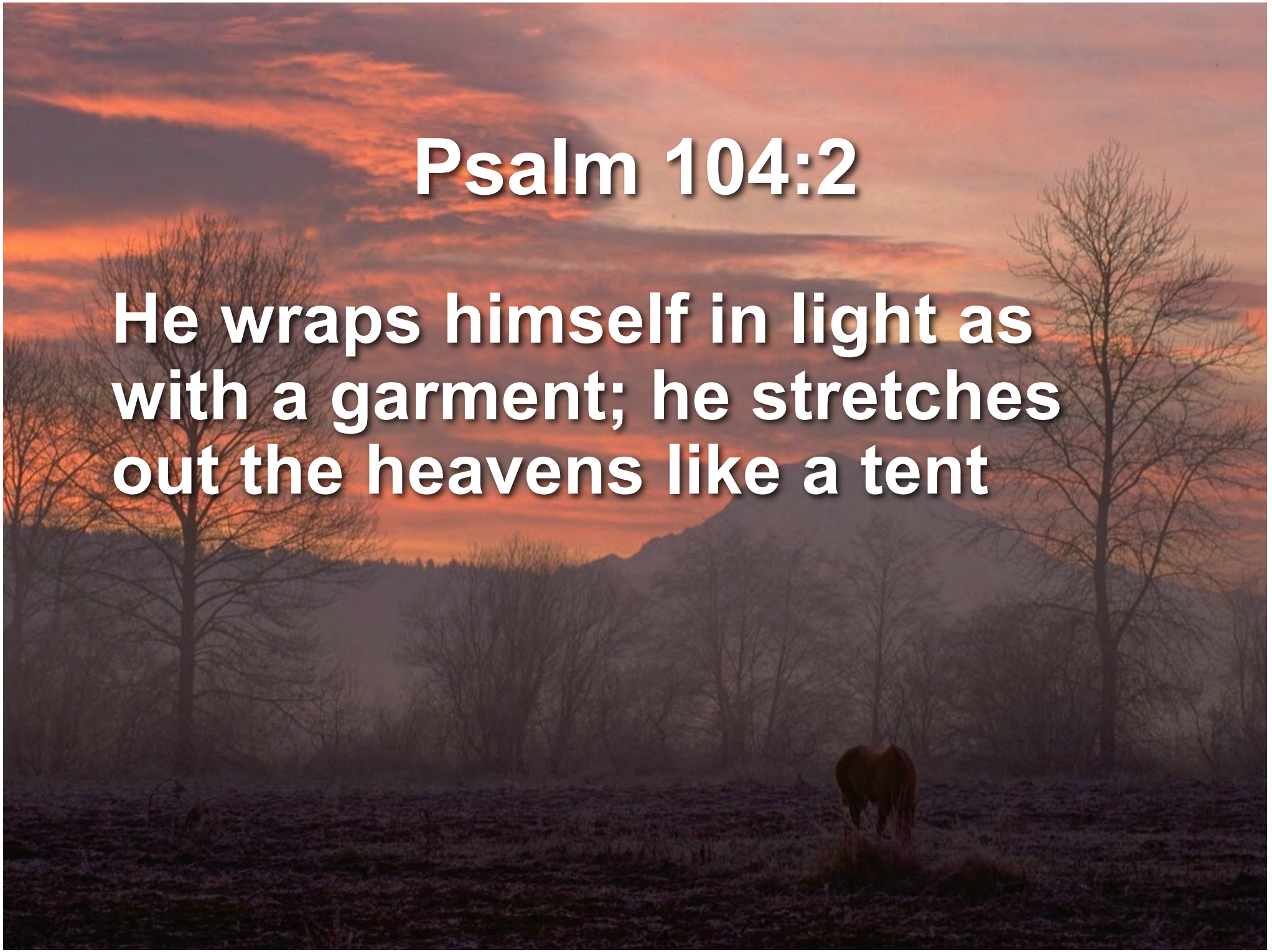
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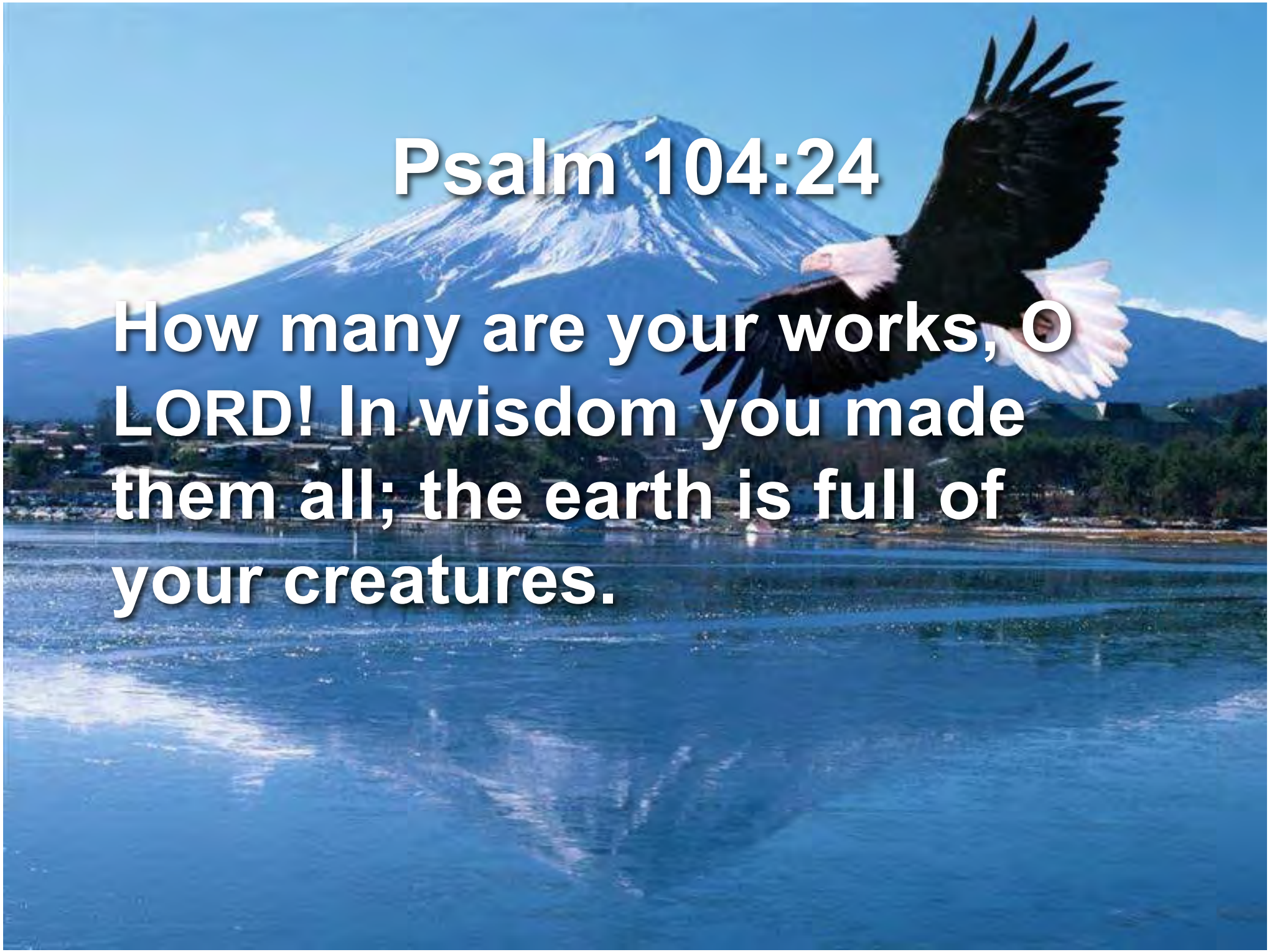
as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.
As a father shows compassion to his children,
so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.
For he knows our frame;
he remembers that we are dust.

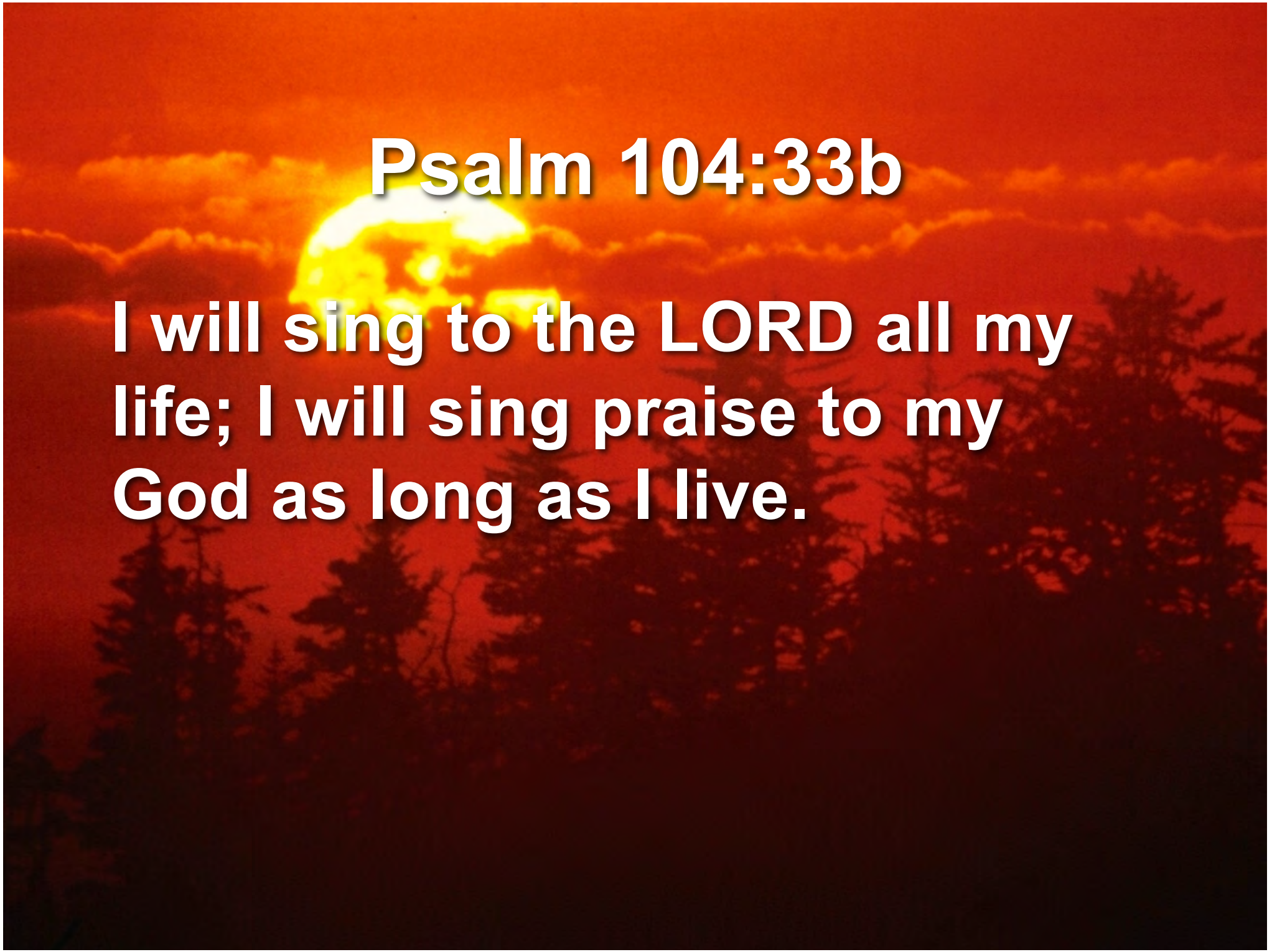
Psalm 103:6-14

Psalm 104


Psalm 104:1
Praise the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, you are very great; you are clothed with splendor and majesty.


Psalm 104:2
He wraps himself in light as with a garment; he stretches out the heavens like a tent


Psalm 104:24
How many are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.


Psalm 104:33b
I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

Psalm 105

Psalm 106


ACT
JUSTLY
STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING
PSALM 106:3


Blessed are those who act justly, who always do what is right.
PSALM 106:3

Psalm 107

Psalm 108

Psalm 109

Psalm 110

Psalm 111

Key Verse

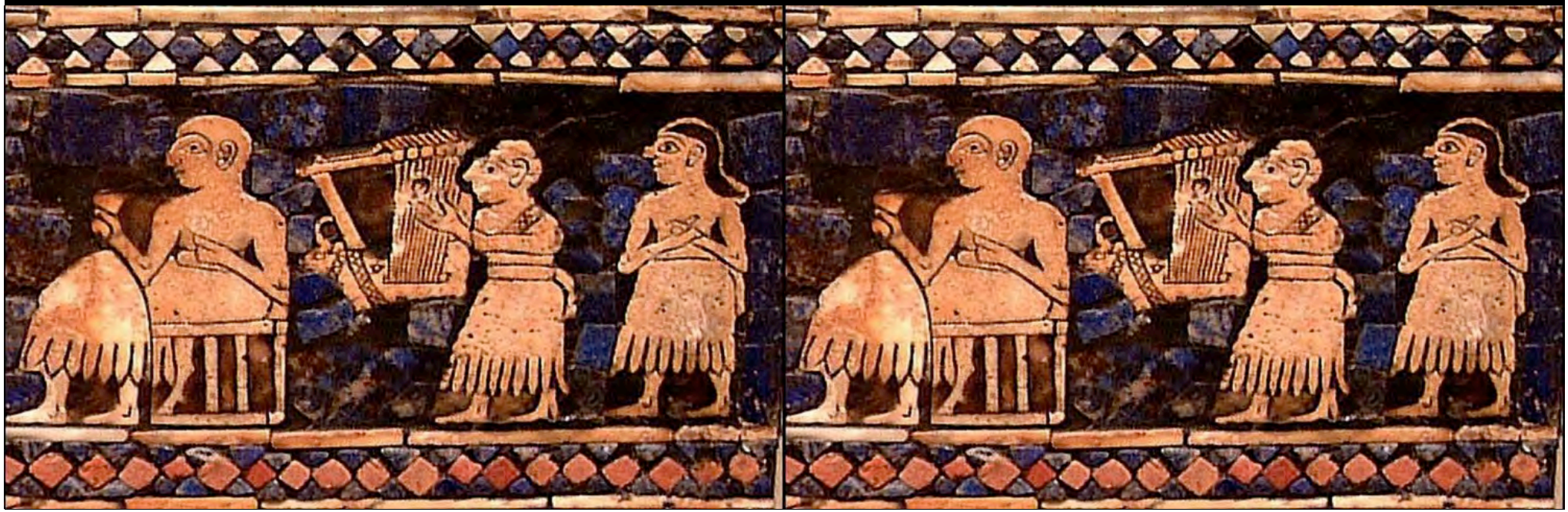
"Praise the LORD. I will extol the LORD with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly" (Psalm 111:1).

How to Pray Through a Psalm

One verse per person

Paraphrase and personalize it

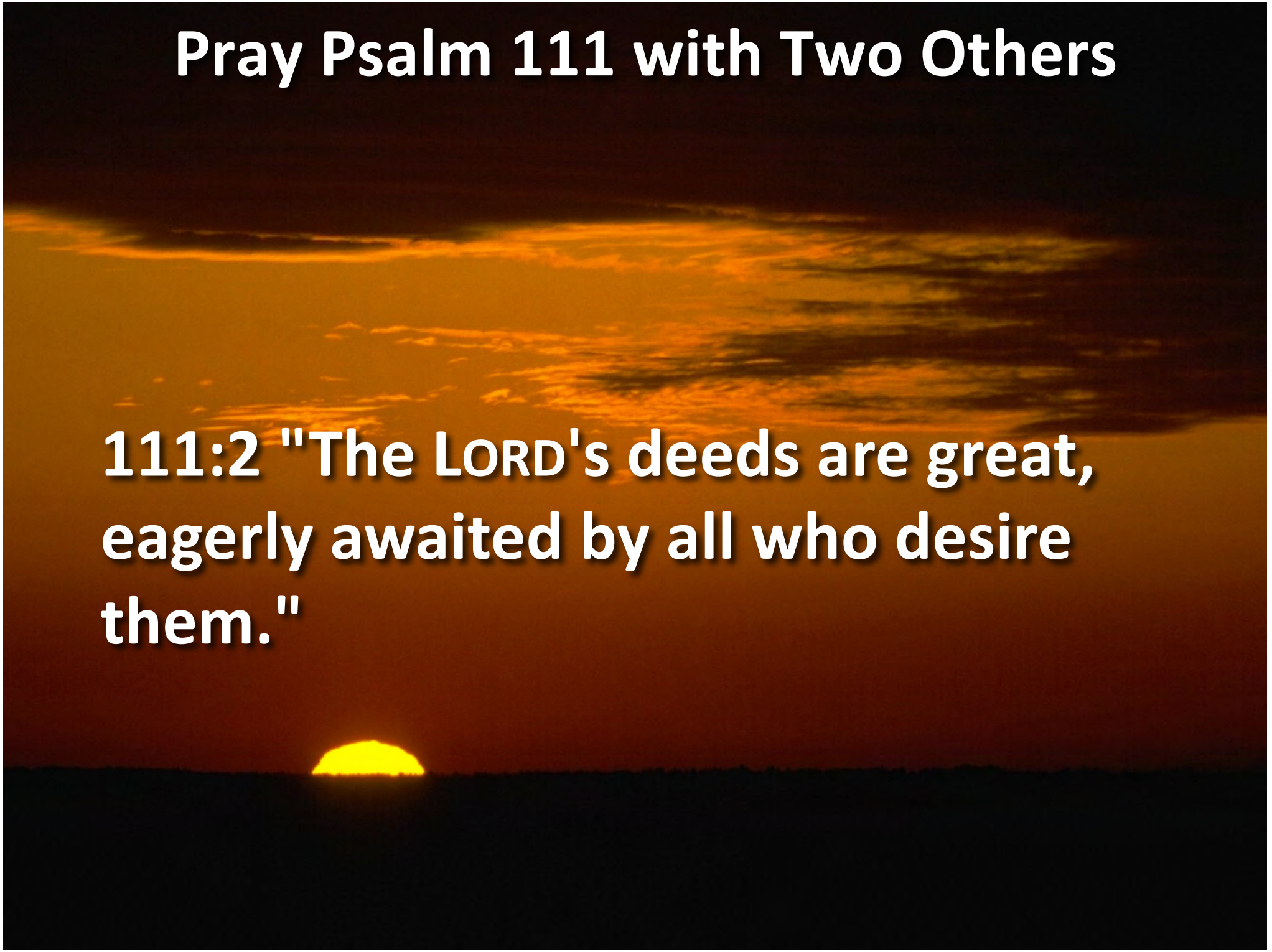
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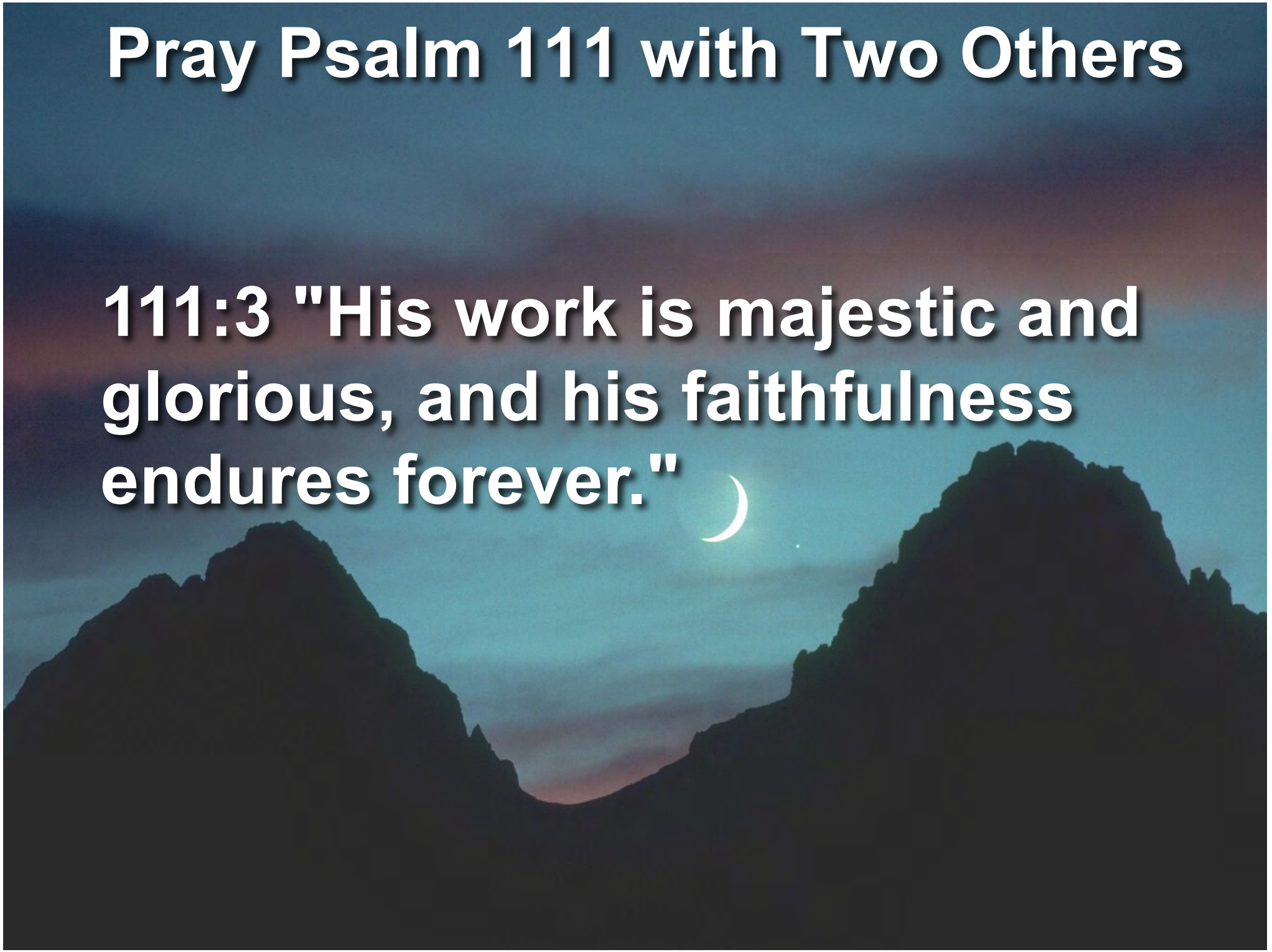


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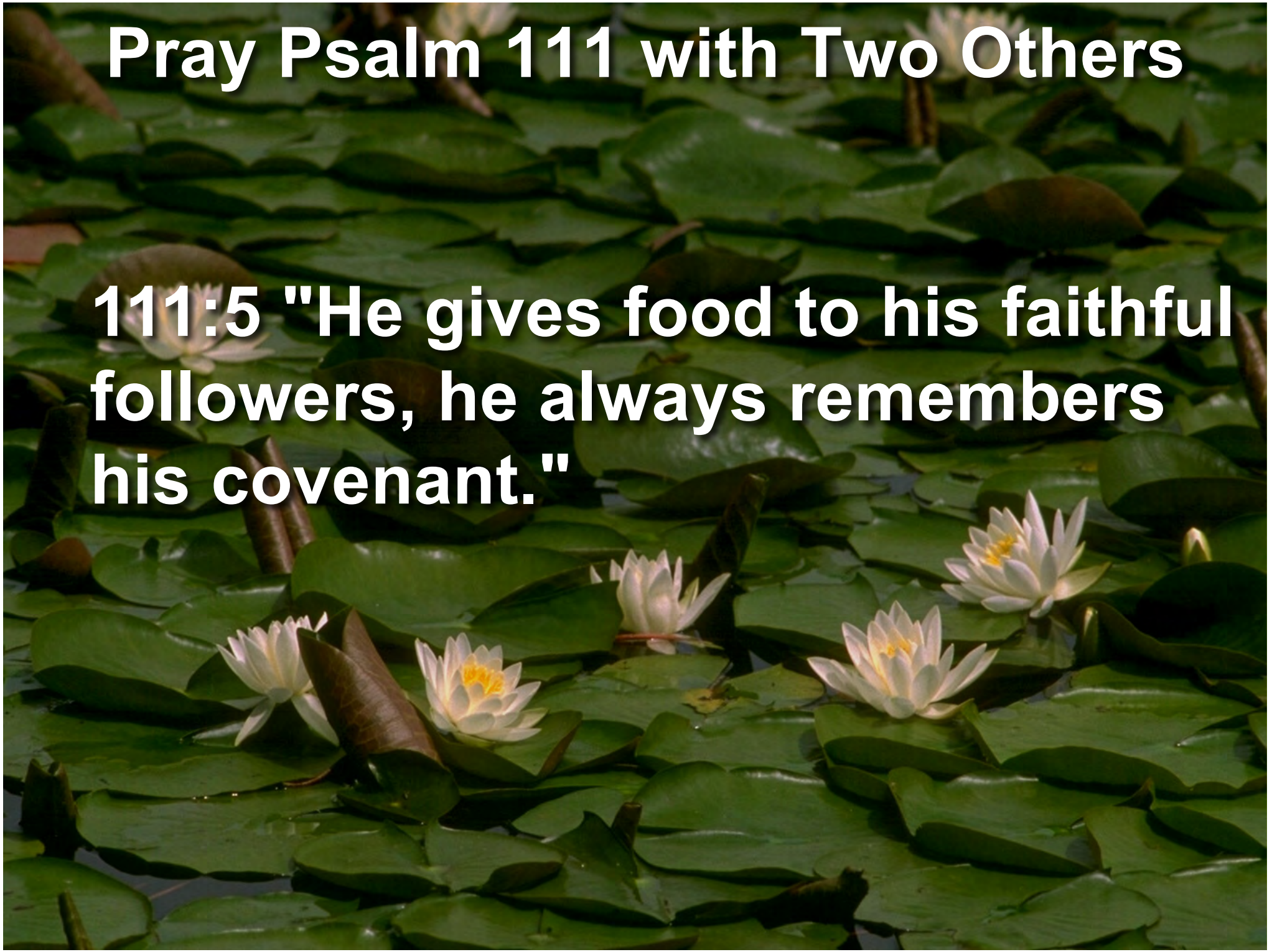


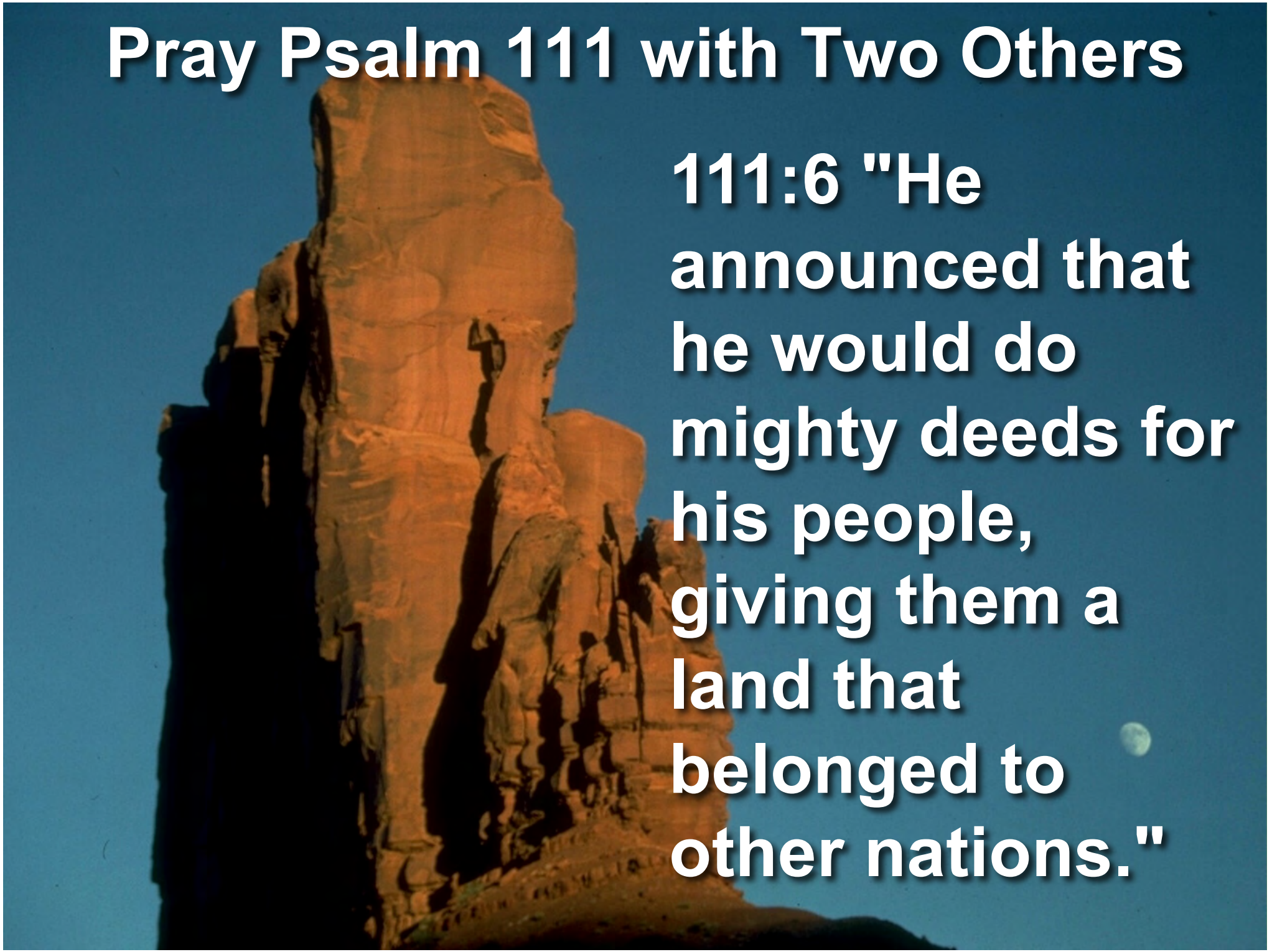
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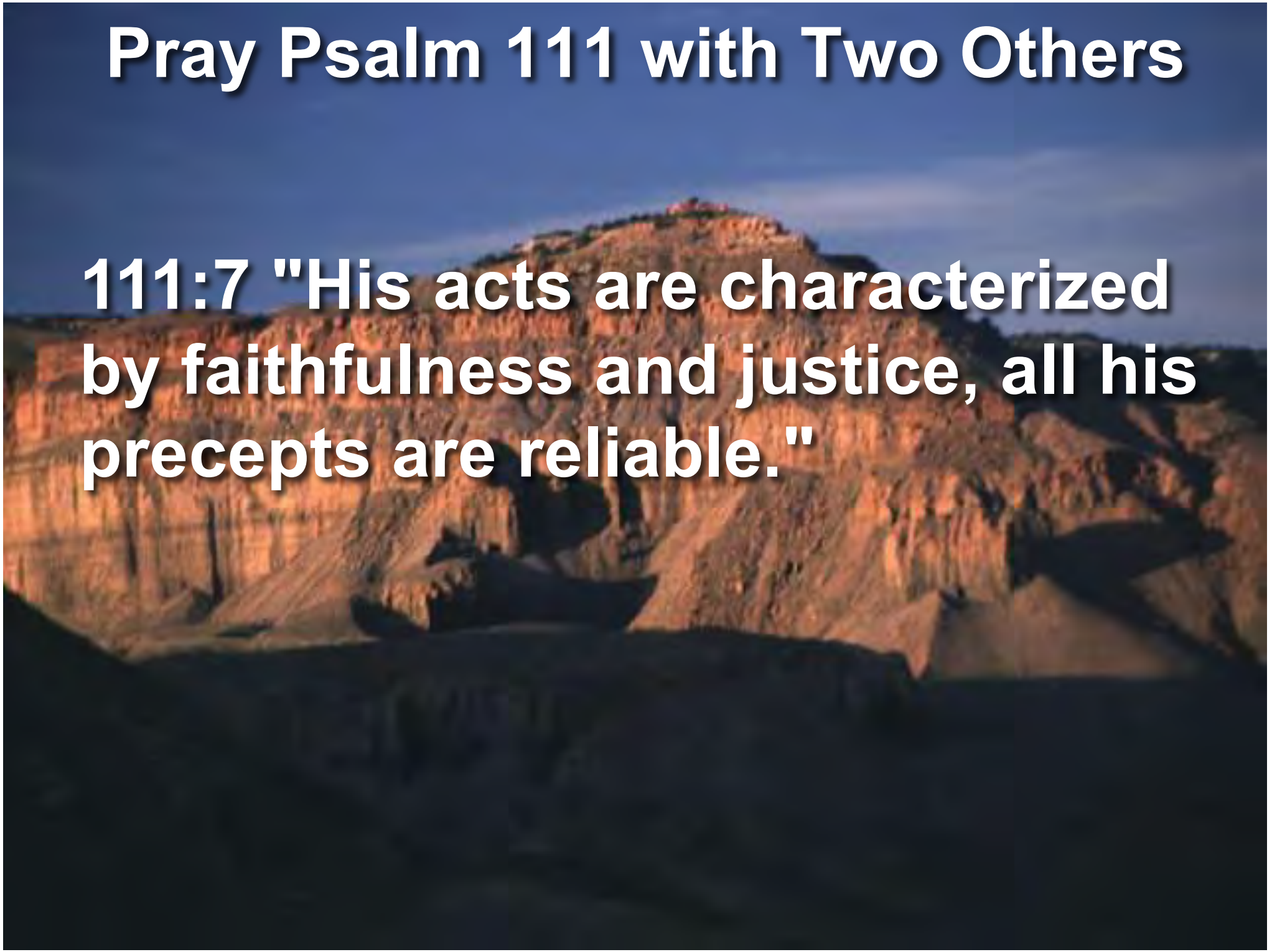

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111:4 "He does amazing things
that will be remembered,
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compassionate."

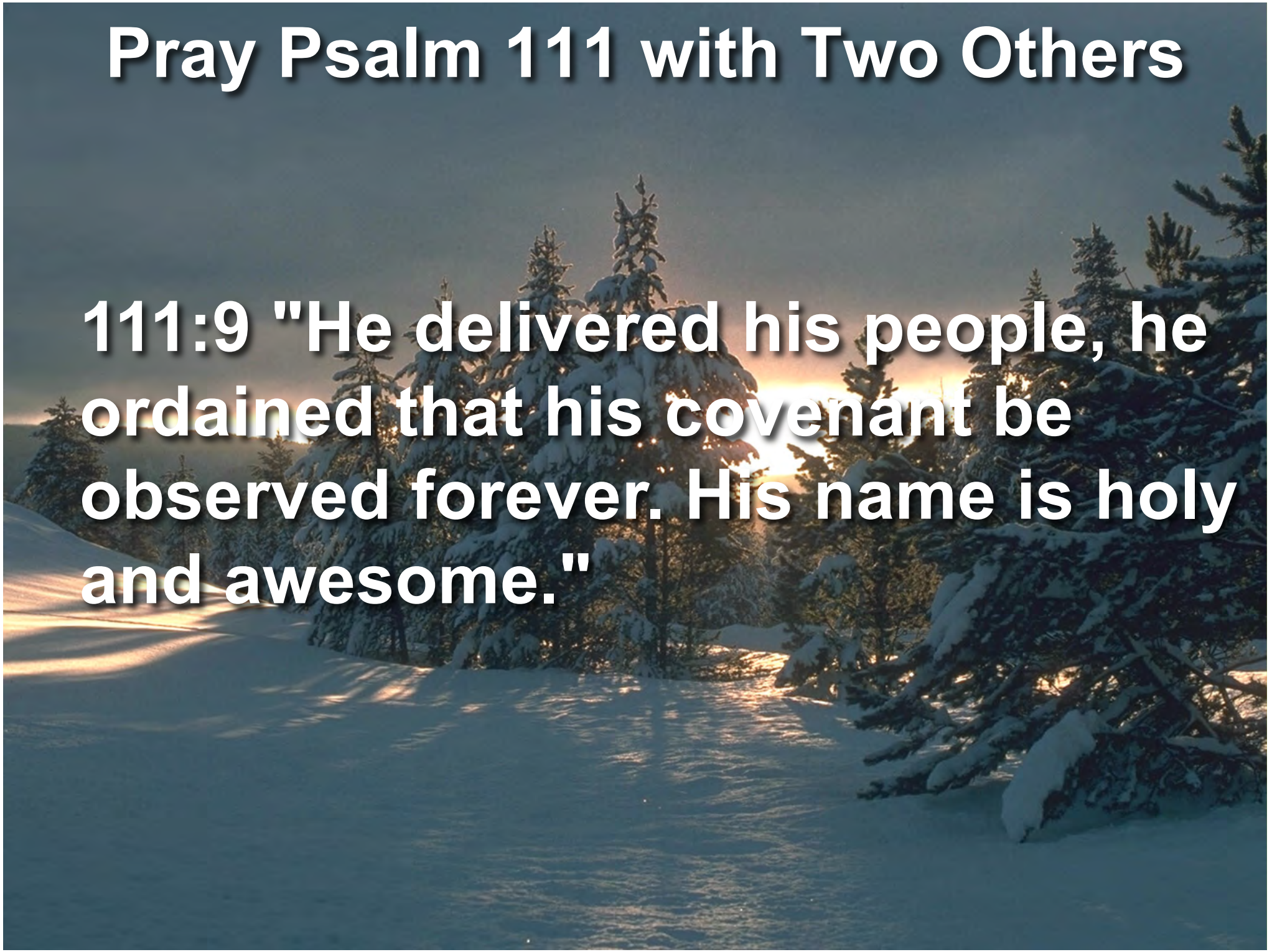

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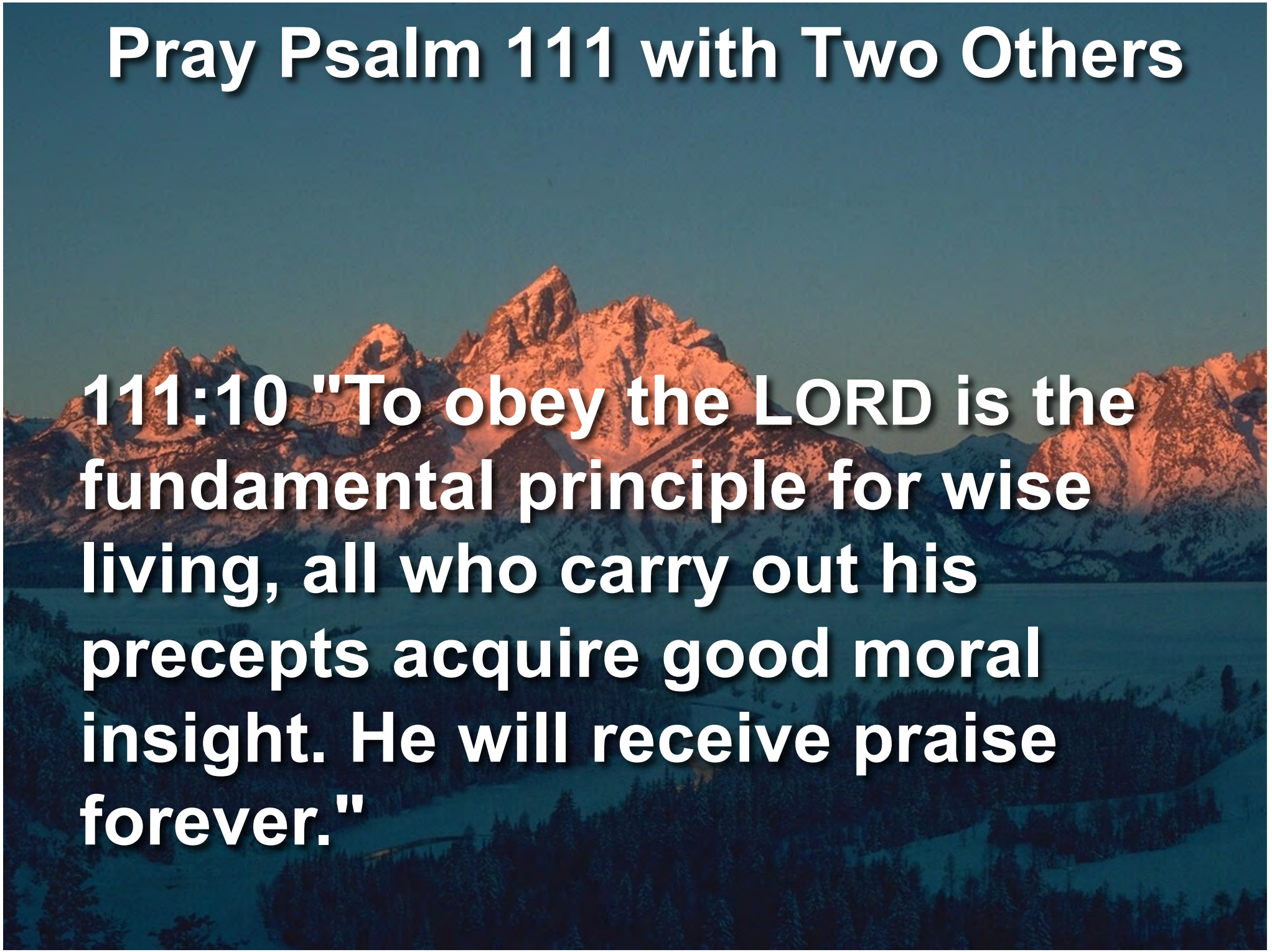

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111:6 "He announced that he would do mighty deeds for his people, giving them a land that belonged to other nations."


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111:7 "His acts are characterized by faithfulness and justice, all his precepts are reliable."

Pray Psalm 111 with Two Others

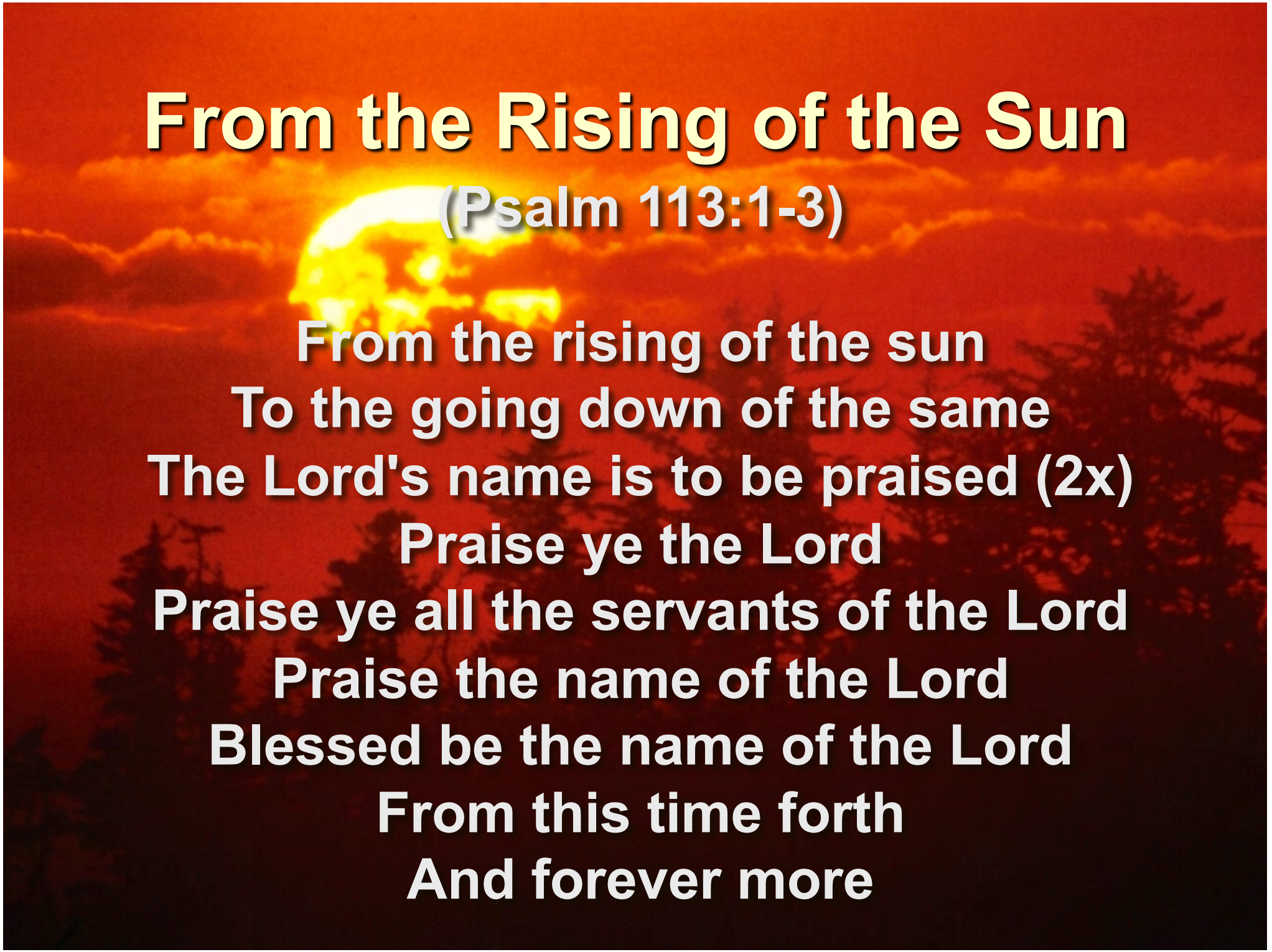
111:8 "They [His precepts] are forever firm, and should be faithfully and properly carried out."


Pray Psalm 111 with Two Others
111:9 "He delivered his people, he ordained that his covenant be observed forever. His name is holy and awesome."


Pray Psalm 111 with Two Others
111:10 "To obey the LORD is the fundamental principle for wise living, all who carry out his precepts acquire good moral insight. He will receive praise forever."

Psalm 112

Psalm 113


From the Rising of the Sun
(Psalm 113:1-3)
From the rising of the sun
To the going down of the same
The Lord's name is to be praised (2x)
Praise ye the Lord
Praise ye all the servants of the Lord
Praise the name of the Lord
Blessed be the name of the Lord
From this time forth
And forever more



JESUS SANG

And when they [Jesus and the twelve disciples] had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. (Matt. 26:30)

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PSALM 113

A CALL TO PRAISE OUR GOD

诗篇113

赞美神的呼召



1 Praise the LORD!
Praise, O servants of the LORD,
praise the name of the LORD!

1 你们要赞美耶和华。耶和华的仆人哪！
你们要赞美，要赞美耶和华的名。



2 Blessed be the name of the LORD
from this time forth and forevermore!
3 From the rising of the sun to its setting,
the name of the LORD is to be praised!

2 耶和华的名是应当称颂的，从现在直到永远。
3 从日出之地到日落之处，耶和华的名都该受赞美。



4 The LORD is high above all nations,
and His glory above the heavens!

4 耶和华高过万国，他的荣耀超越诸天。



5 *Who is like the LORD our God,*
Who is seated on high,
6 *Who looks far down*
on the heavens and the earth?

5 谁像耶和华我们的　神呢？他坐在至高之处，
6 他俯首垂顾天上和地下的事。



7 He raises the poor from the dust
and lifts the needy from the ash heap,
8 to make them sit with princes,
with the princes of His people.

7 他从灰尘中抬举贫寒人，从粪堆中提拔穷乏人，
8 使他们和权贵同坐，就是和他子民中的权贵同坐，



9 He gives the barren woman a home,
making her the joyous mother of children.
Praise the LORD.

9 他使不能生育的妇人安居家中，成了有许多儿女的快乐母亲。你们要赞美耶和华。

Psalm 114



PSALMS 114 - 115

CORPORATE PRAISE FOR OUR GOD'S PRESENCE AND PROVIDENCE

诗篇114 - 115

集体对神的同在与恩泽的赞美



ALL (ENGLISH)

114:1 When Israel went out from Egypt,
the house of Jacob from a people of strange language,
2 *Judah became His sanctuary,*
Israel His dominion. 会众 （英）

1 以色列出了埃及，雅各家离开了说外国语言的人民的时候，
2 犹大就成了主的圣所，以色列成了他的王国。



ALL (ENGLISH)

3 The sea looked and fled;
Jordan turned back.
4 The mountains skipped like rams,
the hills like lambs.

会众 （英）

3 大海看见就奔逃，约旦河也倒流。
4 大山跳跃像公羊，小山蹦跳像小羊。



ALL (CHINESE)

5 What ails you, O sea, that you flee?
O Jordan, that you turn back?
6 O mountains, that you skip like rams?
O hills, like lambs?

会众 （中）

5 大海啊！你为什么奔逃？约旦河啊！你为什么倒流？

6 大山啊！你们为什么跳跃像公羊？小山啊！你们为什么蹦跳像小羊？



ALL (CHINESE)

7 Tremble, O earth, *at the presence of the Lord,*
at the presence of the God of Jacob,
8 Who turns the rock into a pool of water,
the flint into a spring of water.

会众 （中）

7 大地啊！你在主的面前，在雅各的 神面前要战抖。

8 他使磐石变为水池，使坚石变为水泉。

Psalm 115



PSALMS 114 - 115

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诗篇114 - 115

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ALL (ENGLISH)

115:1 Not to us, O LORD, not to us,
but to Your name give glory,
for the sake of Your steadfast love and
Your faithfulness!

会众 （英）

1 耶和华啊！不要把荣耀归给我们，不要归给我们；要因你的慈爱和信实把荣耀归在你的名下。



ALL (CHINESE)

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会众 （中）

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们；要因你的慈爱和信实把荣耀归在你的名下。



WORSHIP LEADER (ENGLISH)

2 Why should the nations say,
"Where is their God?"
3 *Our God is in the heavens;*
He does all that He pleases.

主领 （英）

2 为什么容列国的人说：「他们的 神在哪里呢？
3 我们的 神在天上；他喜欢什么，就作什么。



WORSHIP LEADER (CHINESE)

4 Their idols are silver and gold,
the work of human hands.

主领 （中）

4 列国的偶像是金的、银的，是人手所做的。



WORSHIP LEADER (CHINESE)

5 They have mouths, but do not speak;
eyes, but do not see.
6 They have ears, but do not hear;
noses, but do not smell.

主领 （中）

5 它们有口，却不能说话；有眼，却不能看；
6 有耳，却不能听；有鼻，却不能闻；



WORSHIP LEADER (CHINESE)

7 They have hands, but do not feel;
feet, but do not walk;
and they do not make a sound in their throat.

主领 （中）

7 有手，却不能摸；有脚，却不能行；也不能用喉咙发声。



WORSHIP LEADER (CHINESE)

8 Those who make them become like them;
so do all who trust in them.

主领 （中）

8 做偶像的必和偶像一样；凡是倚靠它们的，
都必这样。



WORSHIP LEADER (ENGLISH)

9 O Israel, trust in the LORD!
He is their help and their shield.

主领 （英）

9 以色列啊！你们要倚靠耶和华；
他是你们的帮助、你们的盾牌。



WORSHIP LEADER (ENGLISH)

10 O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD!
He is their help and their shield.

主领 （英）

10 亚伦家啊！你们要倚靠耶和华；
他是你们的帮助、你们的盾牌。



WORSHIP LEADER (ENGLISH)

11 You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD!
He is their help and their shield.

主领 （英）

11 敬畏耶和华的啊！你们要倚靠耶和华；
他是你们的帮助、你们的盾牌。



CONGREGATION (ENGLISH)

12 The LORD has remembered us; He will bless us;
He will bless the house of Israel;
He will bless the house of Aaron;

会众 （英）

12 耶和华顾念我们，必赐福给我们；他必赐福给以色列家，赐福给亚伦家。



CONGREGATION (ENGLISH)

13 He will bless those who fear the LORD,
both the small and the great.

会众 （英）

13 敬畏耶和华的，无论大小尊卑，他都必赐福。



WORSHIP LEADER (CHINESE)

14 May the LORD give you increase,
you and your children!
15 May you be blessed by the LORD,
who made heaven and earth!

主领 （中）

14 愿耶和华使你们增多，使你们和你们的子孙增多。
15 愿你们蒙创造天地的耶和华赐福。



CONGREGATION (CHINESE)

16 The heavens are the LORD's heavens,
but the earth He has given to the children of man.
17 The dead do not praise the LORD,
nor do any who go down into silence.

会众 （中）

16 天属于耶和华，地，他却赐给了世人。
17 死人不能赞美耶和华，下到阴间的不能赞美他。



CONGREGATION (CHINESE)

18 But we will bless the LORD
from this time forth and forevermore.
Praise the LORD!

会众 （中）

18 至于我们，我们要称颂耶和华，从现在直到永远。你们要赞美耶和华。

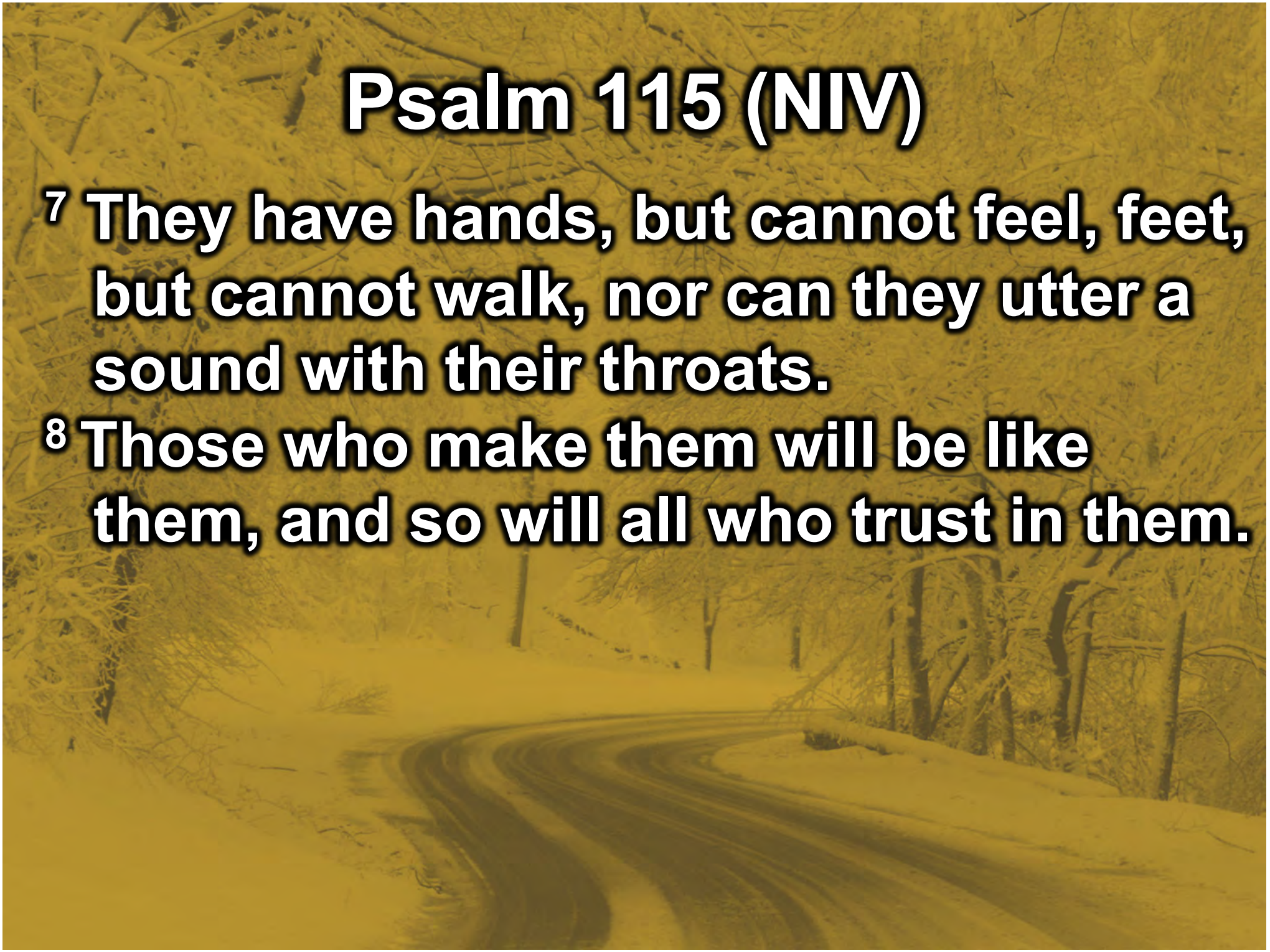

Psalm 115
A Call to Praise the LORD

Psalm 115 (NIV)

1 Not to us, LORD, not to us but to your
name be the glory, because of your
love and faithfulness.
2 Why do the nations say, “Where is
their God?”
3 Our God is in heaven; he does
whatever pleases him.

Psalm 115 (NIV)

4 But their idols are silver and gold,
made by human hands.
5 They have mouths, but cannot speak,
eyes, but cannot see.
6 They have ears, but cannot hear,
noses, but cannot smell.


Psalm 115 (NIV)
7 They have hands, but cannot feel, feet,
but cannot walk, nor can they utter a
sound with their throats.
8 Those who make them will be like
them, and so will all who trust in them.

Psalm 115 (NIV)

9 O house of Israel, trust in the LORD—
he is their help and shield.
10 O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD—
he is their help and shield.
11 You who fear him, trust in the LORD—
he is their help and shield.

Psalm 115 (NIV)

12 The LORD remembers us and will
bless us:
He will bless the house of Israel,
he will bless the house of Aaron,
13 he will bless those who fear the LORD
—small and great alike.


Psalm 115 (NIV)
14 May the LORD cause you to flourish,
both you and your children.
15 May you be blessed by the LORD,
the Maker of heaven and earth.

Psalm 115 (NIV)

16 The highest heavens belong to the
LORD, but the earth he has given to
mankind.
17 It is not the dead who praise the
LORD, those who go down to silence;
18 it is we who extol the LORD,
both now and forevermore.
Praise the LORD.

Psalm 116



PSALM 116

PERSONAL PRAISE FOR OUR GOD'S PRAYER-ANSWERS

诗篇116

个人对神回应祷告的赞美



I Love the Lord

我爱我主

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SOLO

I love the Lord;
He is filled with compassion.
He turned to me on the day that I called.

独唱

我爱我主，因为他满有怜悯；
当我蒙召，他早已转向我。



SOLO

From the snares of the dark,
O Lord, save my life,
be my strength.

独唱

在黑暗网罗中，
主是我拯救，我力量。



SOLO

Gracious is the Lord and just;
Our God is mercy,
rest to the weary.

独唱

主满有慈爱，公义；
主满有怜悯 ，疲乏得安息。



SOLO

Return, my soul, to the Lord our God
Who bids tears away.
I love the Lord.

独唱

我心，我灵，　回转向我主。
他擦干眼泪。我爱我主。



SOLO

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独唱

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SOLO

From the snares of the dark,
O Lord, save my life,
be my strength.

独唱

在黑暗网罗中，
主是我拯救，我力量 。



SOLO

How can I repay the Lord
for all the goodness
He has shown me?

独唱

当如何报答我主，
他向我所显一切厚恩。



SOLO

I will raise the cup of salvation
and call on His name.
I love the Lord.

独唱

我要举起那救恩的杯，
并呼求主名。我爱我主。



SOLO AND CONGREGATION

I love the Lord;
He is filled with compassion.
He turned to me on the day that I called.

独唱与会众

我爱我主，因为他满有怜悯；
当我蒙召，他早已转向我。



SOLO AND CONGREGATION

From the snares of the dark,
O Lord, save my life,
be my strength.

独唱

在黑暗网罗中，
主是我拯救，我力量。



SOLO

I shall live my vows to You
before Your people.
I am Your servant.

独唱

我谦卑在众人前向祢还愿。
我是祢仆人。



SOLO

I will offer You my sacrifice
of praise and of prayer.
I love the Lord.

独唱

馨香赞美祭，永无息祷告
我都愿给祢。我爱我主。



SOLO AND CONGREGATION

I love the Lord;
He is filled with compassion.
He turned to me on the day that I called.

独唱

我爱我主，因为他满有怜悯；
当我蒙召，他早已转向我。



SOLO AND CONGREGATION

From the snares of the dark,
O Lord, save my life,
be my strength.

独唱

在黑暗网罗中，
主是我拯救，我力量。

Psalm 117



PSALM 117

PRAISE FOR OUR GOD'S PURPOSE AND PASSION

诗篇117

因神的旨意和大爱的赞美



ALL (ENGLISH)

1 Praise the LORD, *all nations*!
Extol Him, *all peoples*!

会众 （英）

1 万国啊！你们要赞美耶和华；万民哪！你们要
颂赞他。



ALL (ENGLISH)

2 For great is His steadfast love toward us,
and the faithfulness of the LORD endures
forever.
Praise the LORD!

会众 （英）

2 他向我们所施的慈爱极大；耶和华的信实永远长存。你们要赞美耶和华。

Psalm 118



PSALM 118

A COMMITMENT TO PRAISE

诗篇118

立志要赞美神



14 *The LORD is my strength and my song;*
He has become my salvation.
15 Glad songs of salvation
are in the tents of the righteous:

14 耶和华是我的力量，我的诗歌；他也成了我的拯救。
15 在义人的帐棚里，有欢呼和得胜的声音，说：



We can sing like never before
for the LORD Himself is our song!

14 THE LORD IS MY STRENGTH AND **MY SONG**; HE HAS BECOME MY SALVATION.

我们可以尽情地唱，
因为神就是我们的诗歌！

118:14 耶和华是我的力量，我的诗歌；他也成了我的拯救。



WORSHIP LEADER (ENGLISH)

1 Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;
for His steadfast love endures forever!

主领 （英）

1 你们要称谢耶和华，因他本是良善的；他的慈爱永远长存。



CONGREGATION (ENGLISH)

2 Let Israel say,
"His steadfast love endures forever."
3 Let the house of Aaron say,
"His steadfast love endures forever."

会众 （英）

2 愿以色列说：「他的慈爱永远长存。」
3 愿亚伦家说：「他的慈爱永远长存。」



CONGREGATION (ENGLISH)

4 Let those who fear the LORD say,
"His steadfast love endures forever."

会众 （英）

4 愿敬畏耶和华的说：「他的慈爱永远长存。」



WORSHIP LEADER (CHINESE)

5 Out of my distress I called on the LORD;
the LORD answered me and set me free.

主领 （中）

5 我在急难中求告耶和华，他就应允我，使我站在宽阔之地。



WORSHIP LEADER (CHINESE)

6 The LORD is on my side; I will not fear.
What can man do to me?
7 The LORD is on my side as my helper;
I shall look in triumph on those who hate me.

主领 （中）

6 耶和华是我的帮助，我决不害怕，人能把我怎麼样呢？

7 耶和华是我的帮助，我必看见恨我的人遭报。



CONGREGATION (CHINESE)

8 It is better to take refuge in the LORD
than to trust in man.
9 It is better to take refuge in the LORD
than to trust in princes.

会众 （中）

8 投靠耶和华，胜过倚靠人。
9 投靠耶和华，胜过倚靠王子。



WORSHIP LEADER (ENGLISH)

10 All nations surrounded me;
in the name of the LORD I cut them off!
11 They surrounded me, surrounded me on every side; in the name of the LORD I cut them off!

主领 （英）

10 列国围困着我，我靠着耶和华的名必除灭他们。
11 他们围绕着我，把我围困，我靠着耶和华的名必除灭他们。



WORSHIP LEADER (ENGLISH)

12 They surrounded me like bees;
they went out like a fire among thorns;
in the name of the LORD I cut them off!

主领 （英）

12 他们如同蜜蜂围绕着我，但他们要像烧荆棘的火熄灭；我靠着耶和华的名必除灭他们。



WORSHIP LEADER (ENGLISH)

13 I was pushed hard, so that I was falling,
but the LORD helped me.

主领 （英）

13 他们极力推我，要我跌倒，耶和华却帮助了我。



CONGREGATION (ENGLISH)

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CONGREGATION (ENGLISH)

"The right hand of the LORD does valiantly,
16 the right hand of the LORD exalts,
the right hand of the LORD does valiantly!"

会众 （英）

「耶和华的右手行了大能的事。
16 耶和华的右手高高举起；耶和华的右手行了大能的事。」



WORSHIP LEADER (CHINESE)

17 I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the LORD.
18 The LORD has disciplined me severely,
but He has not given me over to death.

主领 （中）

17 我必不至於死，我要活下去，并且要述说耶和华的作为。

18 耶和华虽严厉地管教我，却没有把我置於死地。



CONGREGATION (CHINESE)

19 Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD.

会众 （中）

19 请你们为我打开正义的门，我要进去，称谢耶和华。



CONGREGATION (CHINESE)

20 This is the gate of the LORD;
the righteous shall enter through it.

会众 （中）

20 这是耶和华的门，义人才可以进去。



WORSHIP LEADER (ENGLISH)

21 I thank You that You have answered me
and have become my salvation.
22 The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

主领 （英）

21 我要称谢你，因为你应允了我，又成了我的拯救。

22 建筑工人所弃的石头，成了房角的主要石头；



WORSHIP LEADER (ENGLISH)

23 This is the LORD's doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.
24 This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

主领 （英）

23 这是耶和华作的，在我们眼中看为希奇。
24 这是耶和华所定的日子，我们要在这一日欢喜快乐。



CONGREGATION (ENGLISH)

25 Save us, we pray, O LORD!
O LORD, we pray, give us success!

会众 （英）

25 耶和华啊！求你施行拯救；耶和华啊！
求你使我们亨通。



WORSHIP LEADER (CHINESE)

26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

主领 （中）

26 奉耶和华的名来的是应当称颂的，我们从耶和华的殿中给你们祝福。



CONGREGATION (CHINESE)

27 The LORD is God,
and He has made His light to shine upon us.
Bind the festal sacrifice with cords,
up to the horns of the altar!

会众 （中）

27 耶和华是 神，他光照了我们。你们要用绳索把祭牲拴住，带到祭坛的角那里。



ALL (ENGLISH AND CHINESE)

28 You are my God, and I will give thanks to You;
You are my God; I will extol You.
29 Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;
for His steadfast love endures forever!

会众 （中英）

28 你是我的 神，我要称谢你；你是我的 神，我要尊崇你。

29 你们要称谢耶和华，因他本是良善的；他的慈爱永远长存。

He Has Made Me Glad
(Psalm 100:4; 118:24)



I will enter his gates with
thanksgiving in my heart,
I will enter his courts with praise.
I will say this is the day
that the Lord has made,
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.
He has made me glad,
He has made me glad,
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.
He has made me glad,
He has made me glad,
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

Psalm 119

Anticipate Meeting with God



The psalmist prays, "Open for me the gates where the righteous enter, and I will go in and thank the LORD. [20]These gates lead to the presence of the LORD, and the godly enter there" (Ps 118:19-20 NLT). The means of opening the gates is for him to love the law of the LORD, so Psalm 119 has the most occurrences of both the words "love" and "law (Torah)" in a chapter in the OT. The Psalms of Ascent then describe the pilgrim on his journey until he can enter these very gates: "And now here we are, standing inside your gates, O Jerusalem" (Ps 122:2 NLT).

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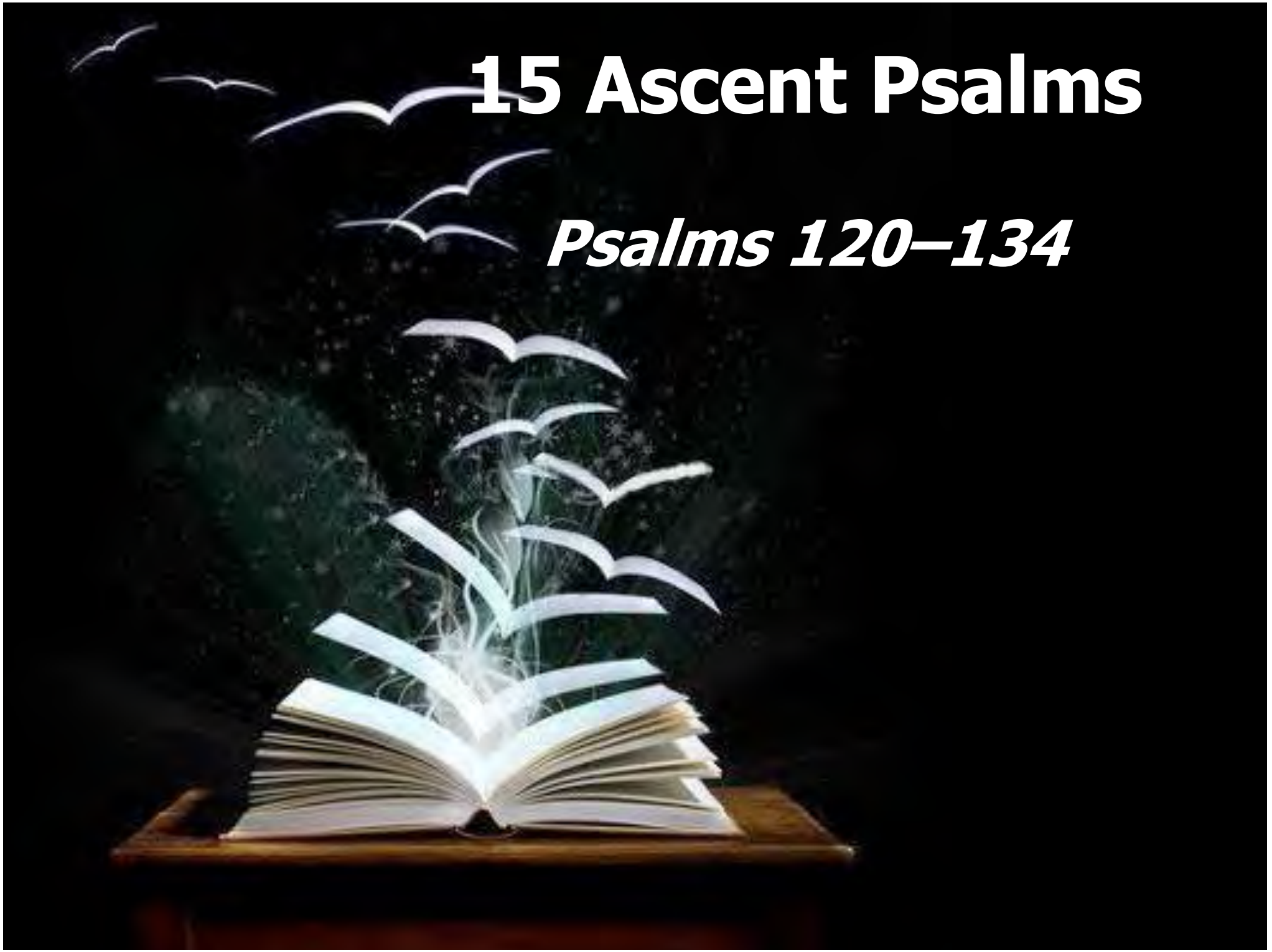
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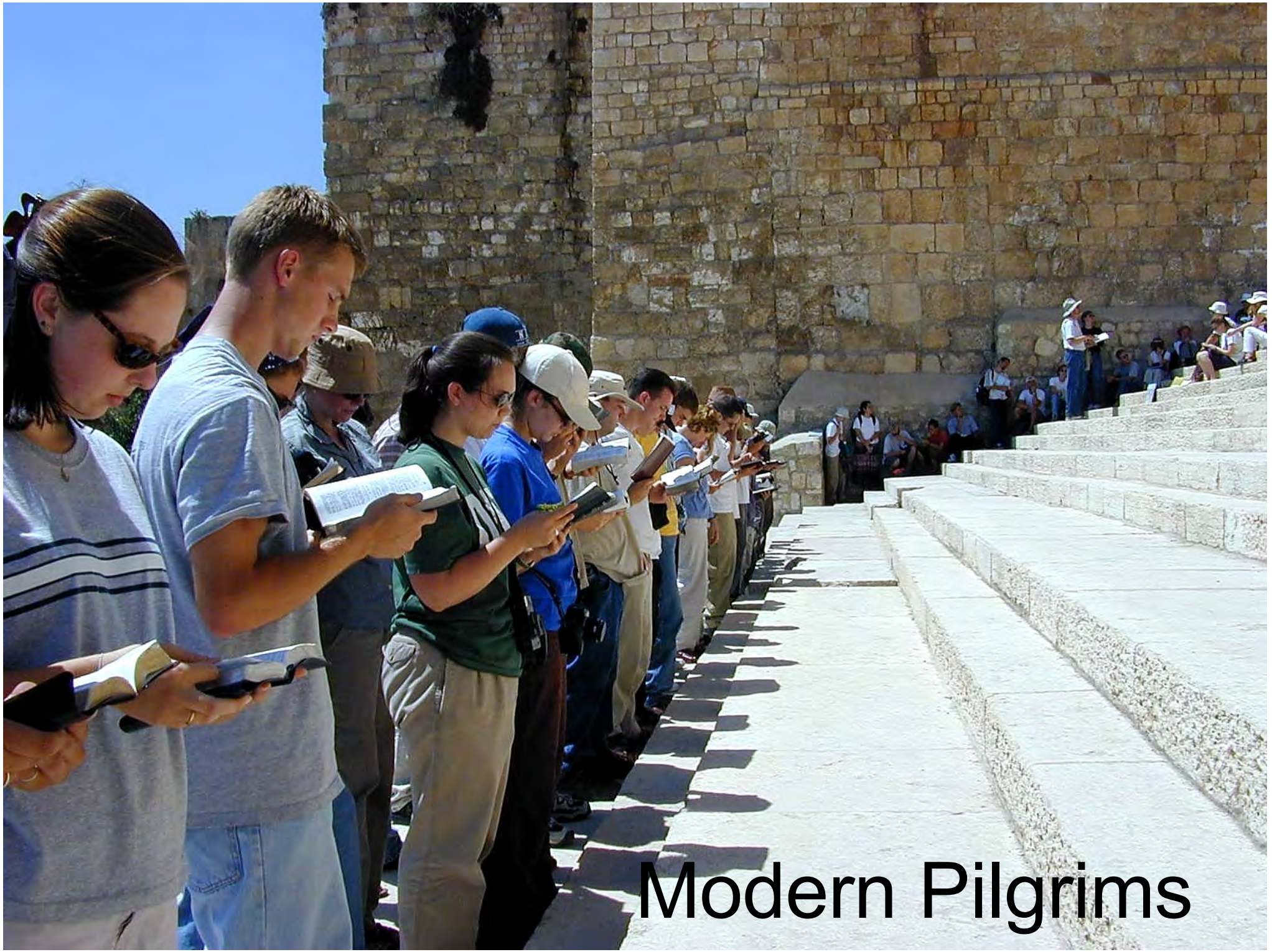


Psalms 120–134

15 Ascent Psalms

Psalms 120–134




Modern Pilgrims


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11-Year-Old Finds Ancient Jerusalem Coin That May Have Been Minted at the Temple

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Ancient coin discovered in dirt from archeological excavations conducted by the Israel Antiquities Authority on the "Pilgrimage Road," in the City of David National Park. Photo Credit: CBN News

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AD 67 coin showing high priest on Siloam Pool to the Temple pilgrimage road

Psalm 121

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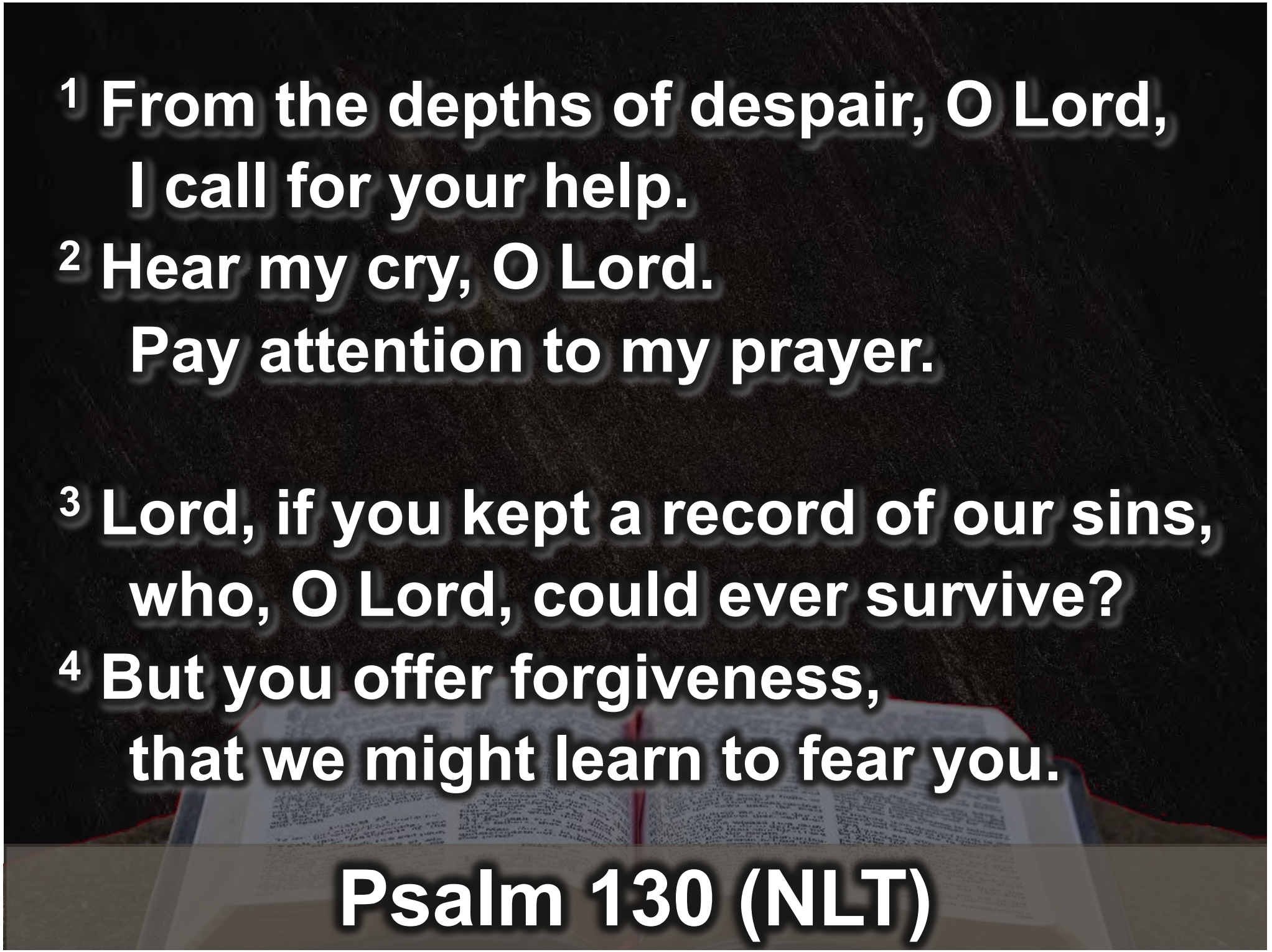
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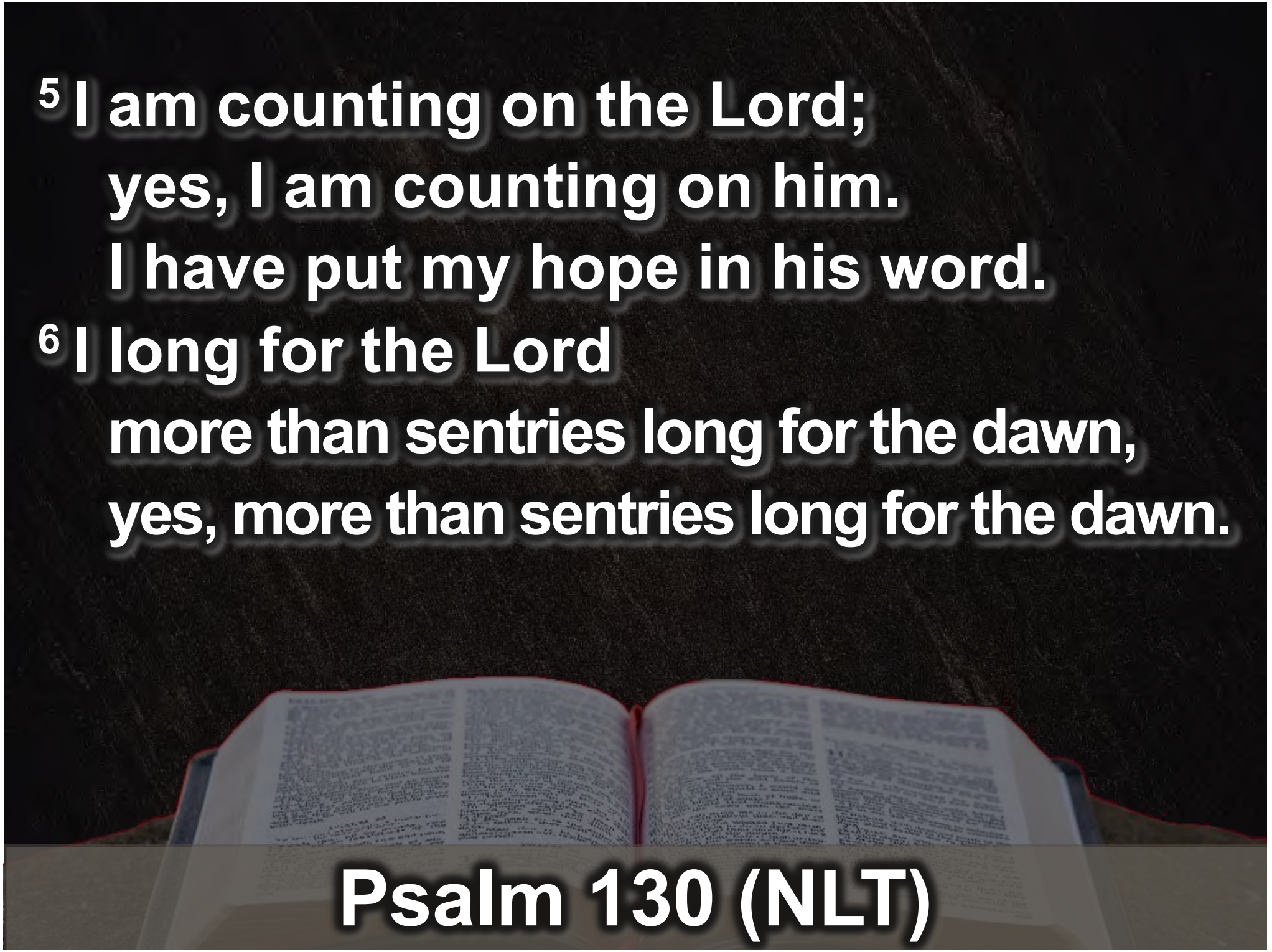
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Scripture Reading

Psalm 130 (NLT)




1 From the depths of despair, O Lord,
I call for your help.
2 Hear my cry, O Lord.
Pay attention to my prayer.
3 Lord, if you kept a record of our sins,
who, O Lord, could ever survive?
4 But you offer forgiveness,
that we might learn to fear you.
Psalm 130 (NLT)


5 I am counting on the Lord;
yes, I am counting on him.
I have put my hope in his word.
6 I long for the Lord
more than sentries long for the dawn,
yes, more than sentries long for the dawn.
Psalm 130 (NLT)


7 O Israel, hope in the Lord;
for with the Lord there is unfailing love.
His redemption overflows.
8 He himself will redeem Israel
from every kind of sin.
Psalm 130 (NLT)

Psalm 131

Psalm 132

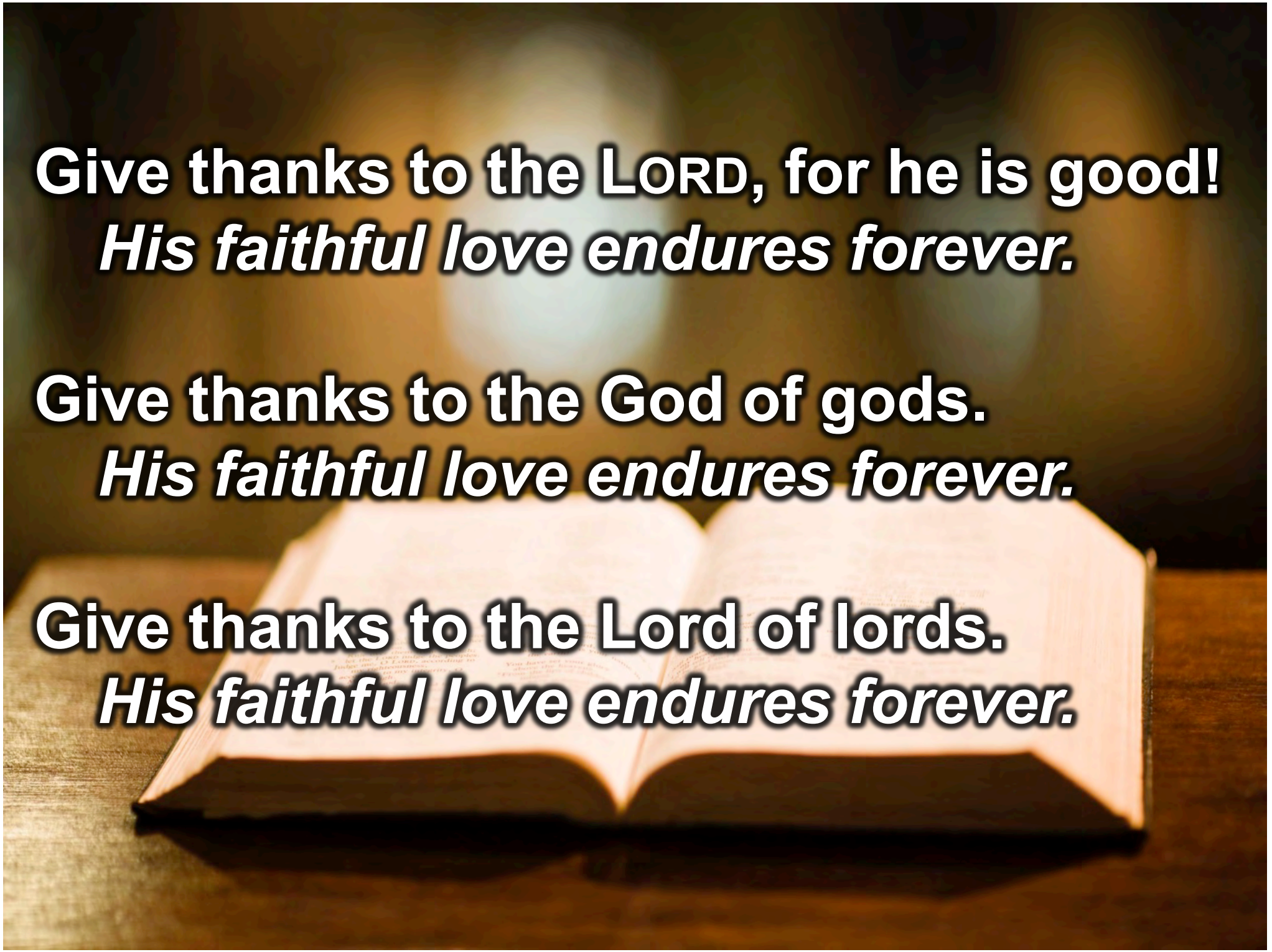
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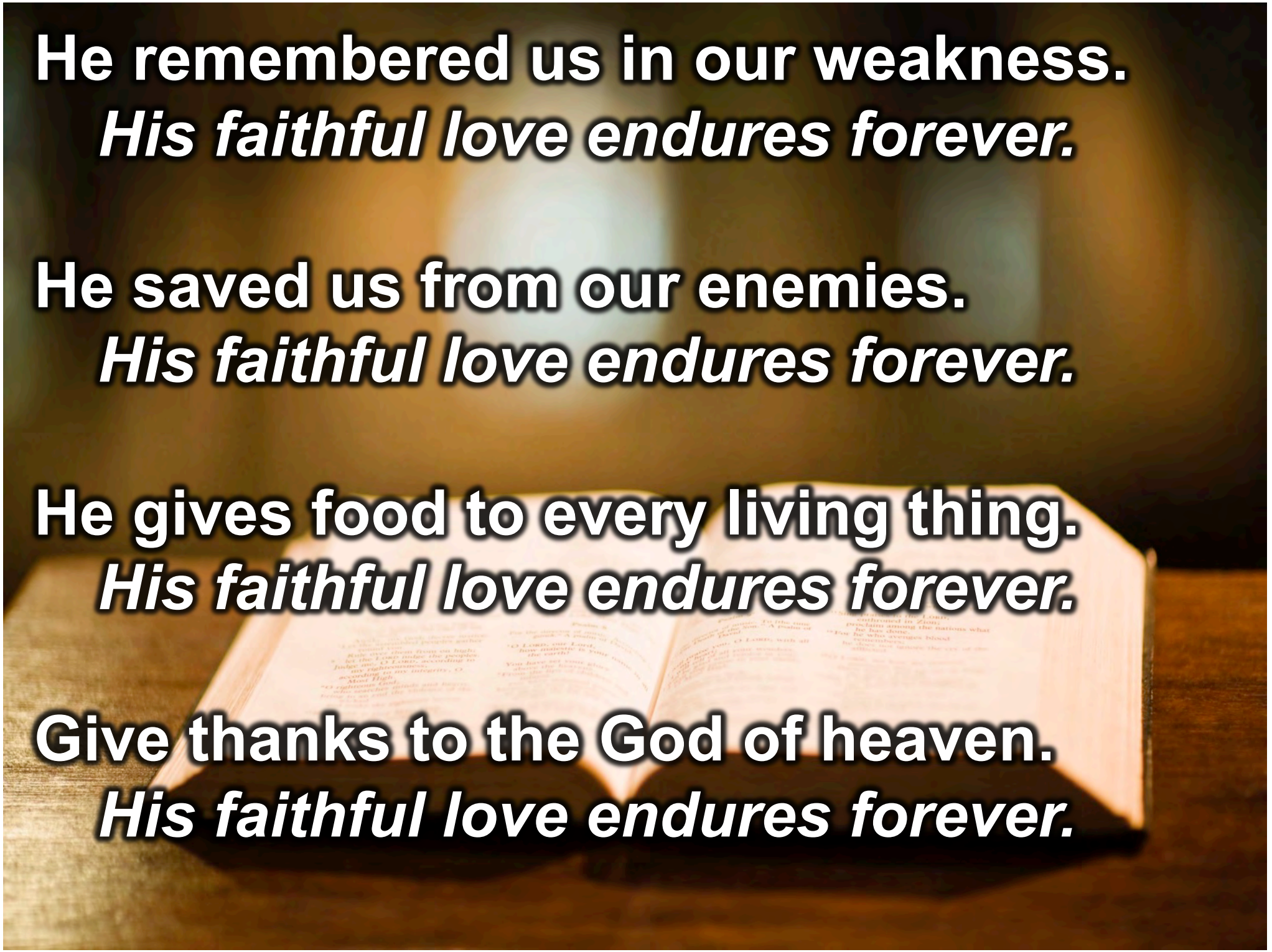
Psalm 134

Psalm 135

Psalm 136


Psalm 136:1-3 & 23-26 (NLT)


Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good!
His faithful love endures forever.
Give thanks to the God of gods.
His faithful love endures forever.
Give thanks to the Lord of lords.
His faithful love endures forever.


He remembered us in our weakness.
His faithful love endures forever.
He saved us from our enemies.
His faithful love endures forever.
He gives food to every living thing.
His faithful love endures forever.
Give thanks to the God of heaven.
His faithful love endures forever.

Psalm 137

Personification

Inanimate objects given properties or characteristics of living things

Psalm 137:5

"If I forget you, O Jerusalem, may my right hand forget its skill."



Psalm 138

Psalm 138:3-8 (NIV)

When I called, you answered me;
you greatly emboldened me.
May all the kings of the earth praise you, Lord,
when they hear what you have decreed.
May they sing of the ways of the Lord,
for the glory of the Lord is great.

Psalm 138:3-8 (NIV)

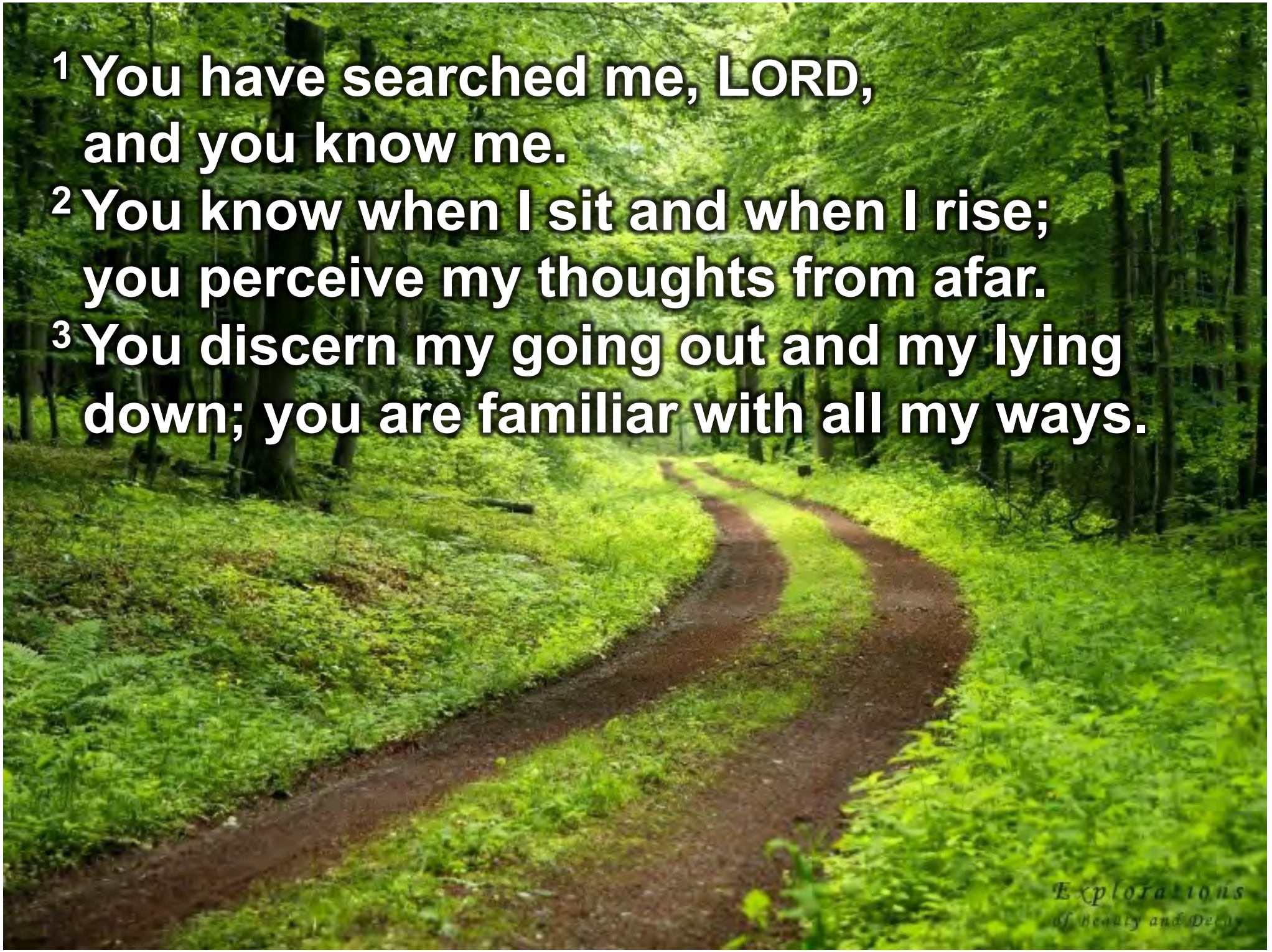
Though the Lord is exalted, he looks
kindly on the lowly;
though lofty, he sees them from afar.
Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve my life.

Psalm 138:3-8 (NIV)

You stretch out your hand against the
anger of my foes;
with your right hand you save me.
The Lord will vindicate me;
your love, Lord, endures forever—
do not abandon the works of your hands.

Psalm 139


SCRIPTURE READING
Psalms 139:1-6
Explorations
of Beauty and Decay


1 You have searched me, LORD,
and you know me.
2 You know when I sit and when I rise;
you perceive my thoughts from afar.
3 You discern my going out and my lying
down; you are familiar with all my ways.
Explorations
of Beauty and Decay

4 Before a word is on my tongue,
you, Lord, know it completely.

5 You hem me in behind and before,
and you lay your hand upon me.

6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me,
too lofty for me to attain.



Psalm 139

Congregation:

1 You have searched me, LORD,
and you know me.
2 You know when I sit and when I rise;
you perceive my thoughts from afar.
3 You discern my going out and my lying
down; you are familiar with all my ways.
4 Before a word is on my tongue
you, LORD, know it completely.

Psalm 139

Women:

13 For you created my inmost being;
you knit me together in my
mother's womb.

14 I praise you because I am fearfully and
wonderfully made;
your works are wonderful,
I know that full well.

Psalm 139

Men:

**17 How precious to me are your thoughts,
God! How vast is the sum of them!**

**18 Were I to count them, they would
outnumber the grains of sand—when I
awake, I am still with you.**

Psalm 139

Congregation:

23 Search me, God, and know my heart;
test me and know my anxious
thoughts.
24 See if there is any offensive way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting.

Response:

Leader:

This is God's Word.

People:

Thanks be to God!

Psalm 140

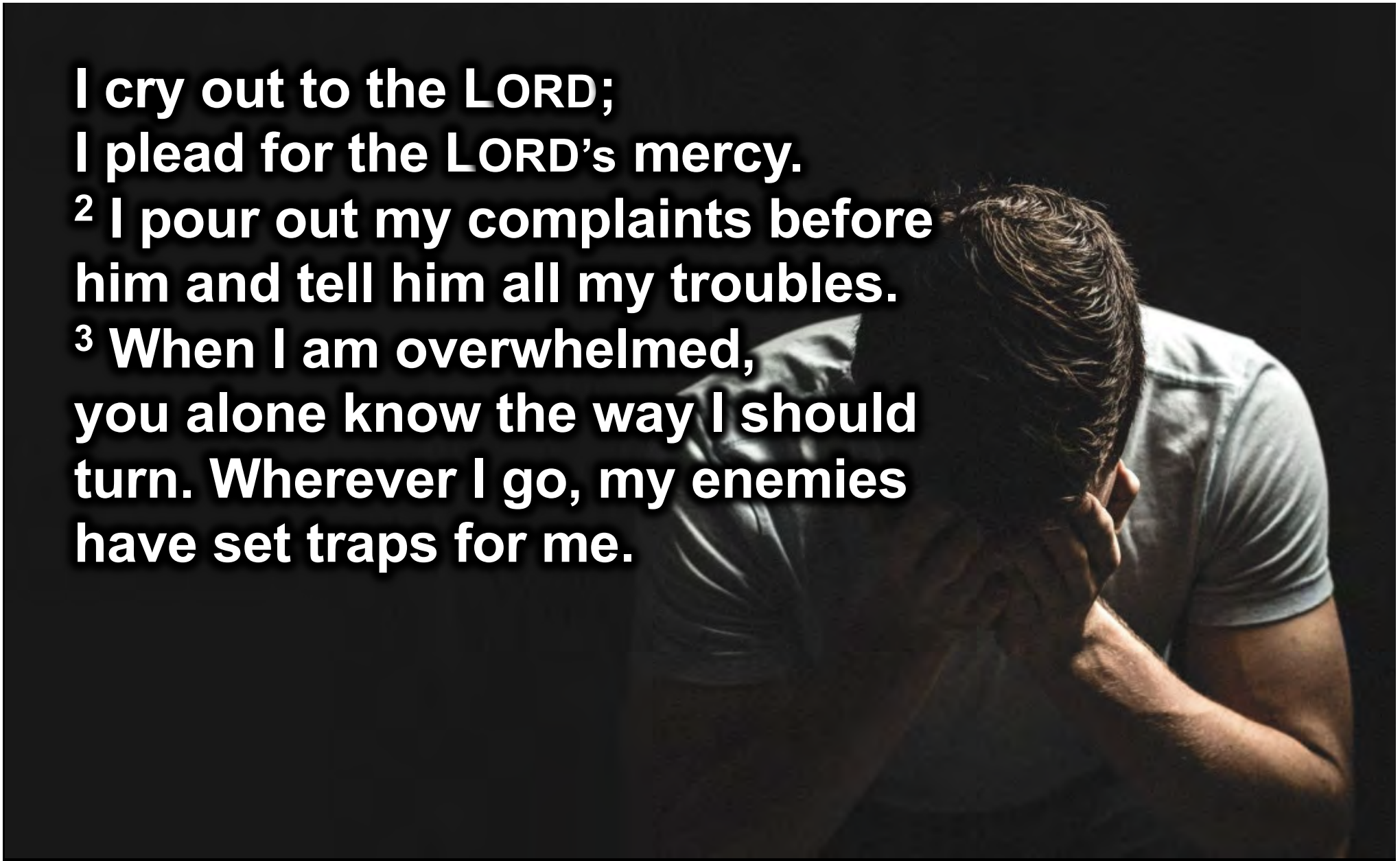
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Psalm 142

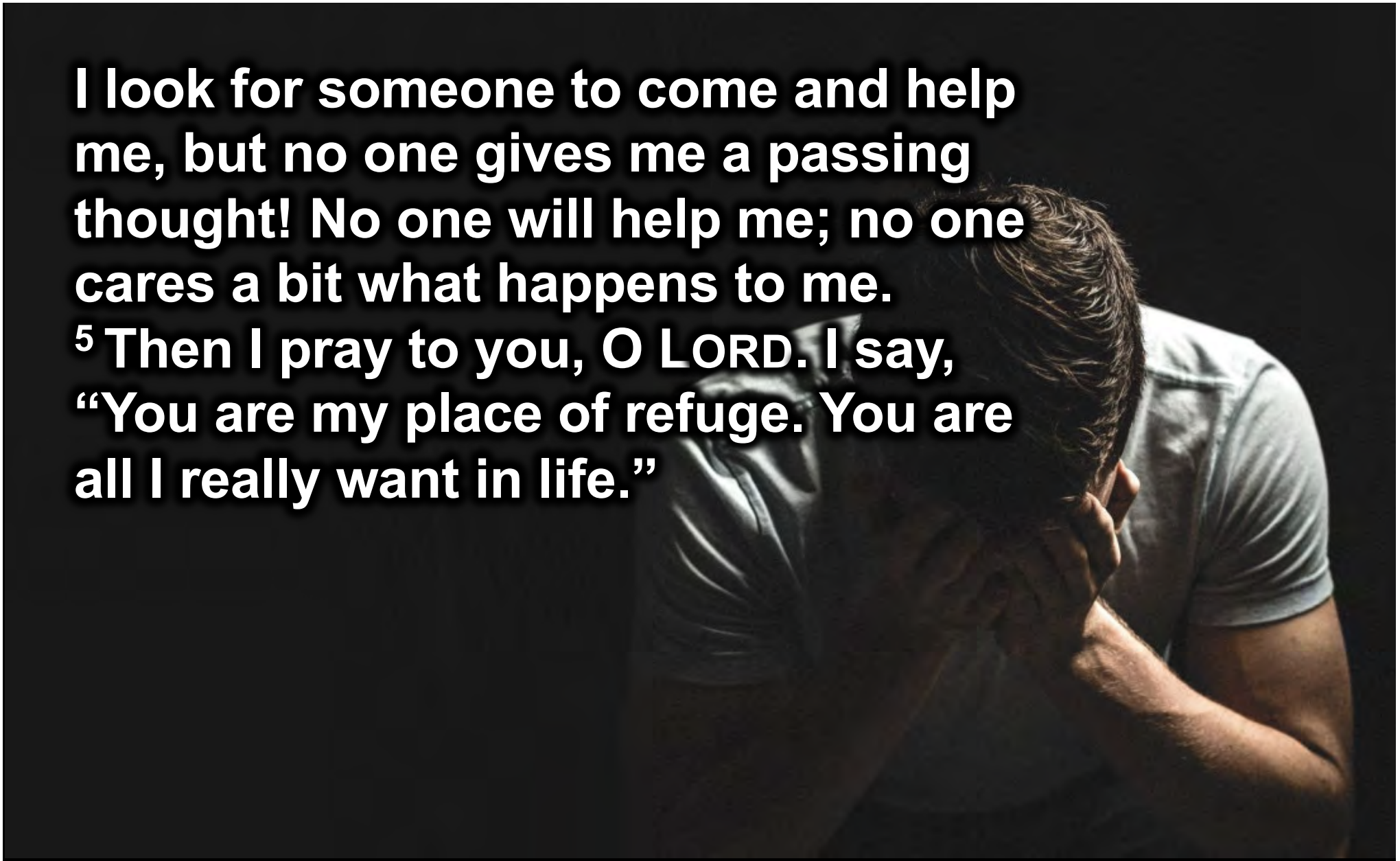
A psalm of David, regarding
his experience in the cave.
A prayer.



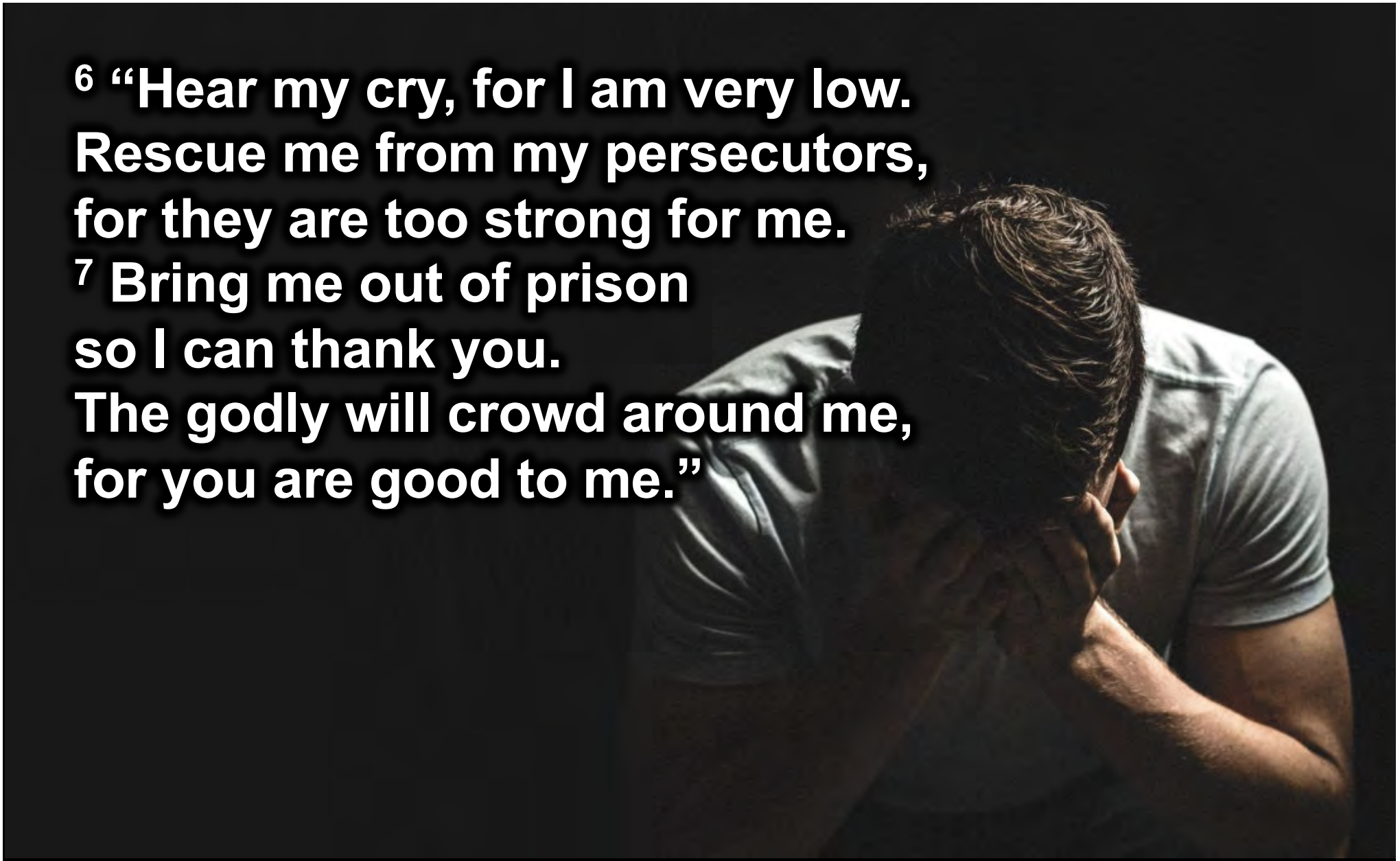
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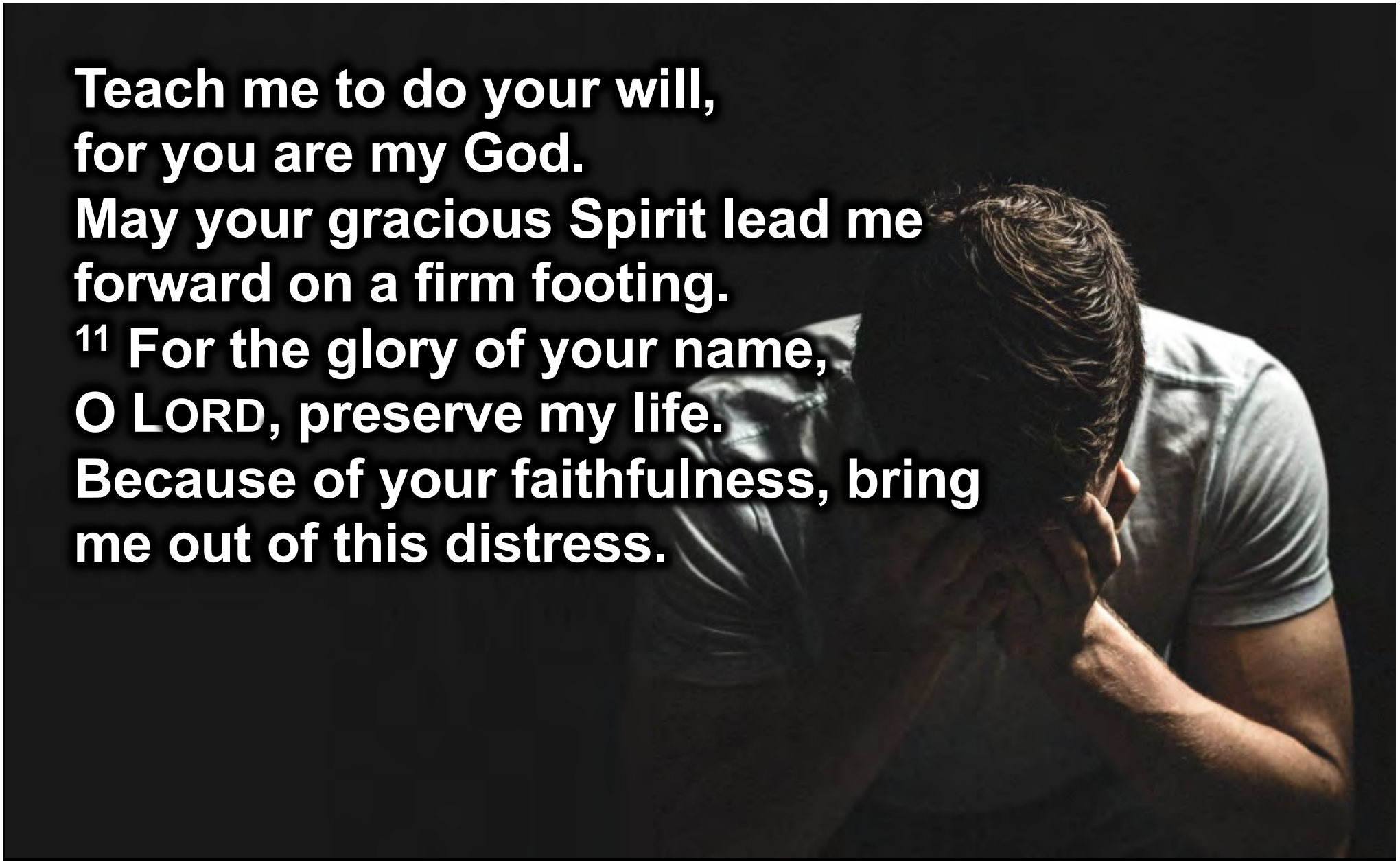


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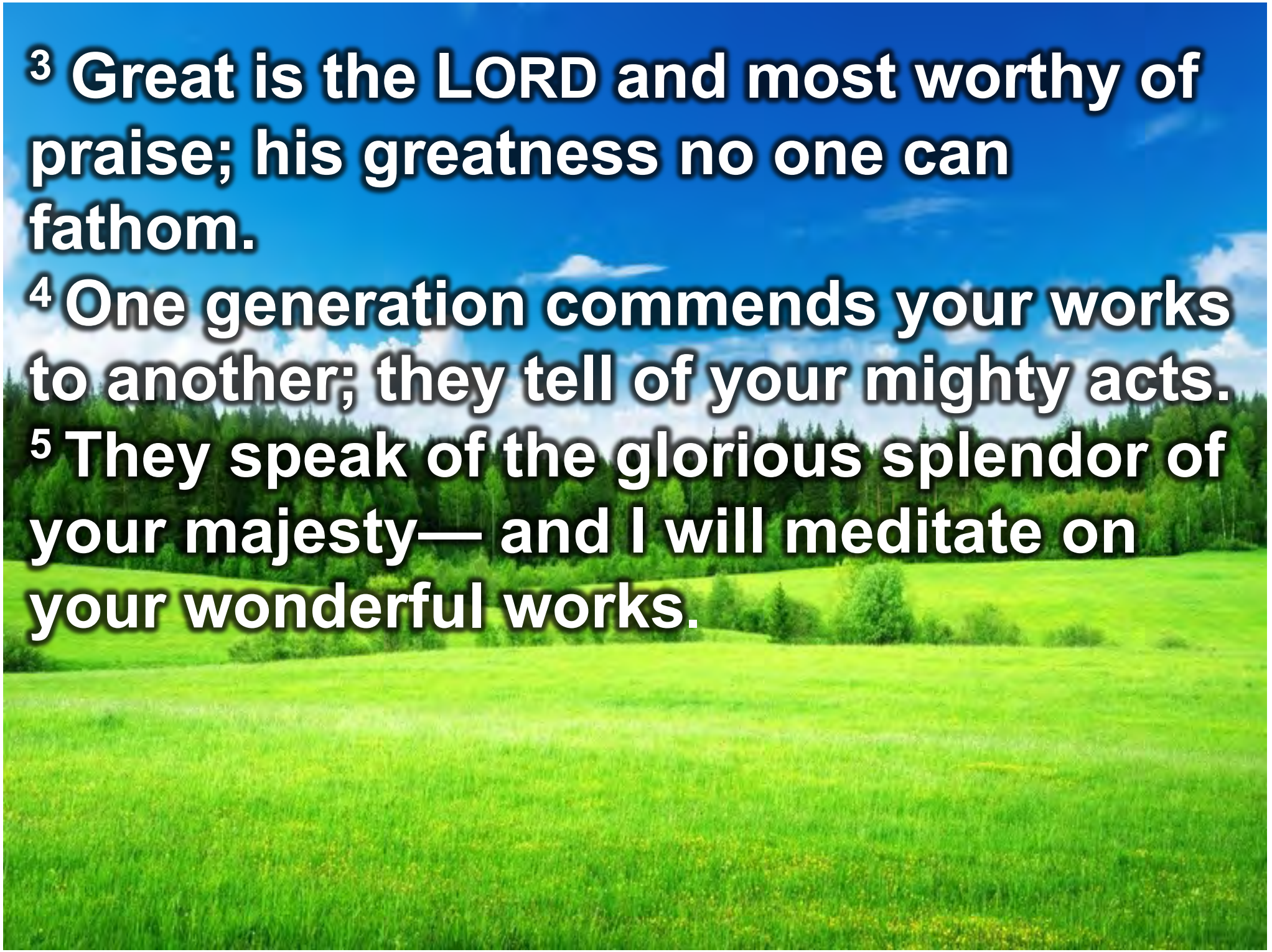
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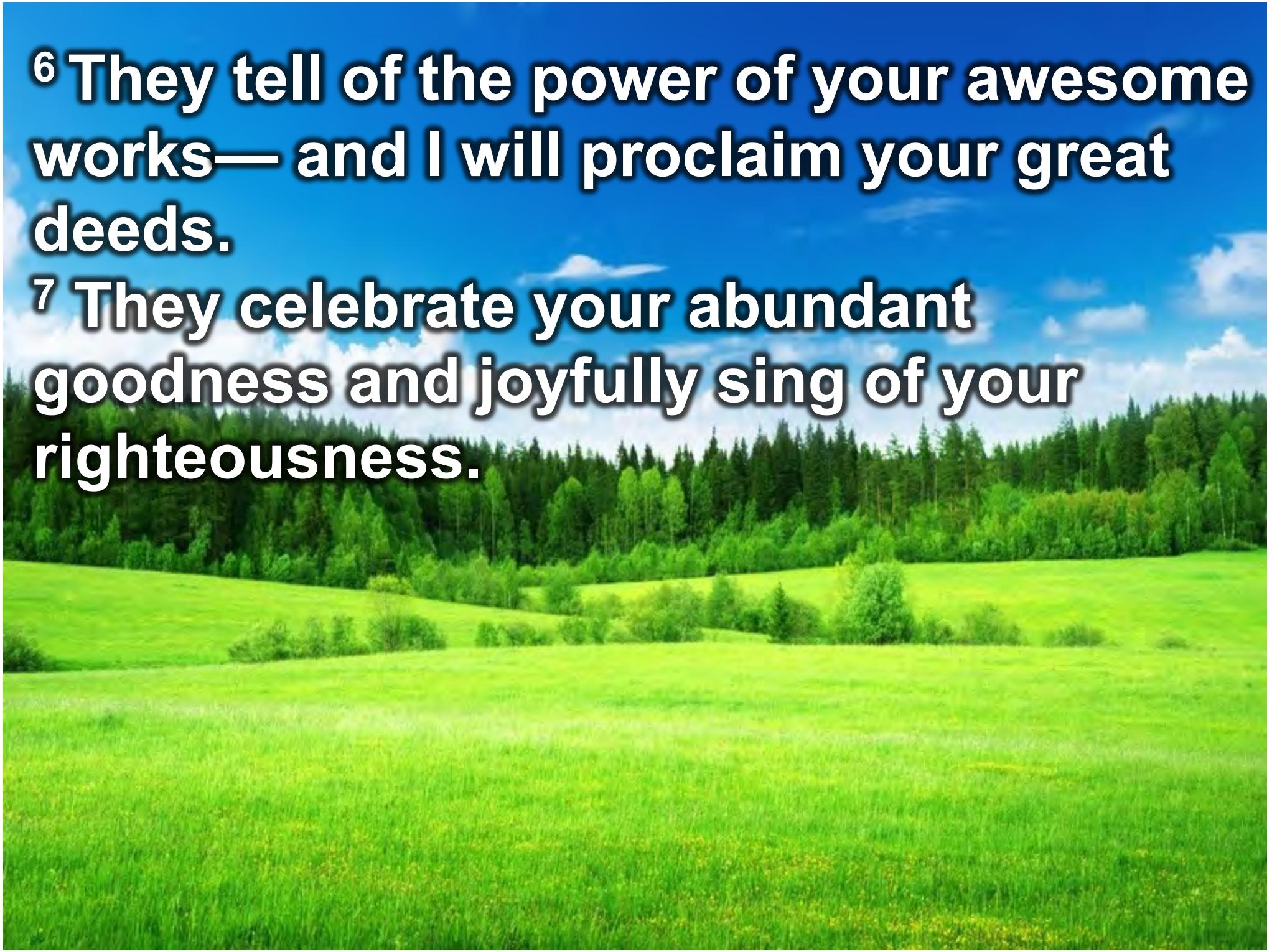
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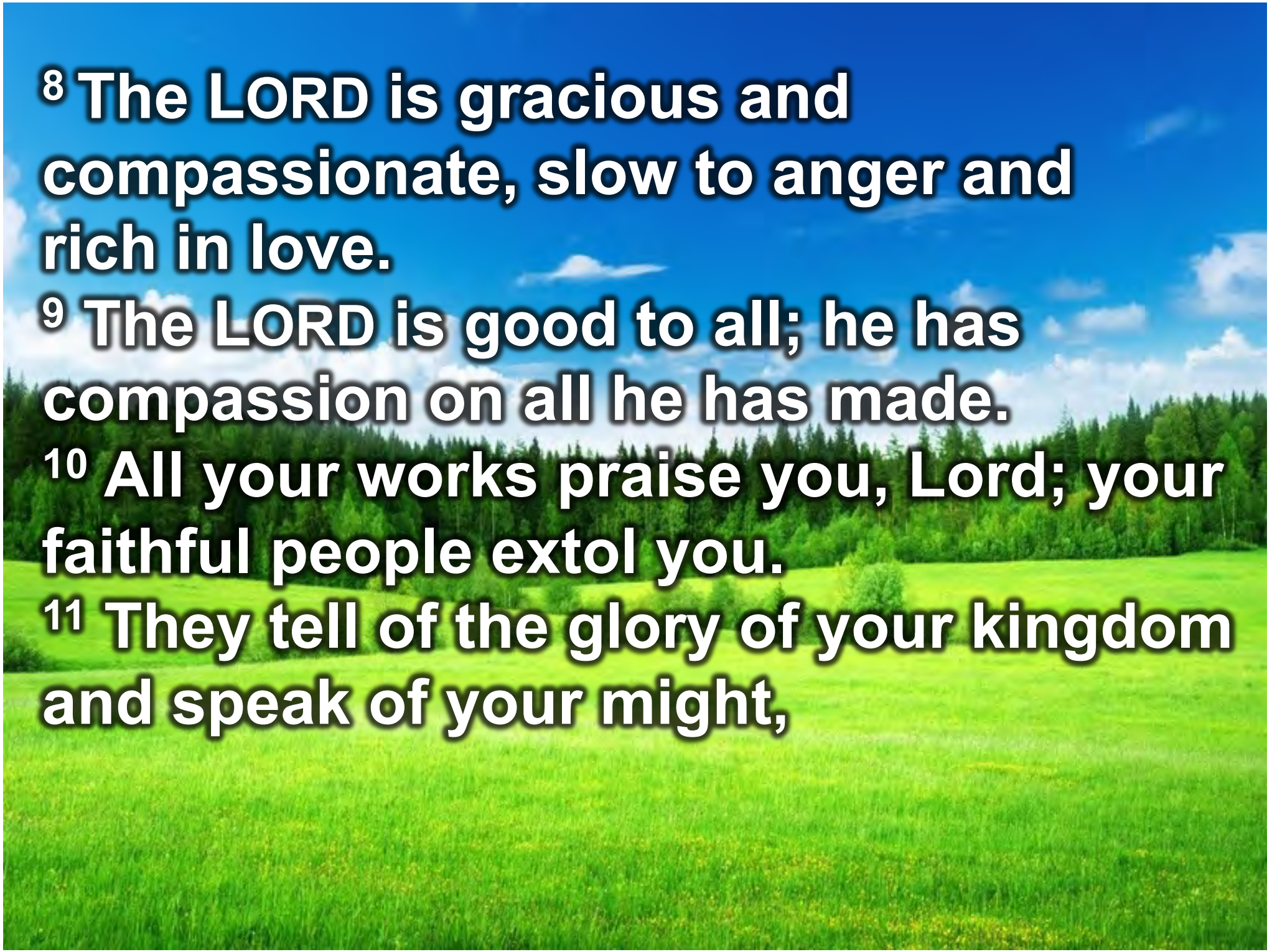
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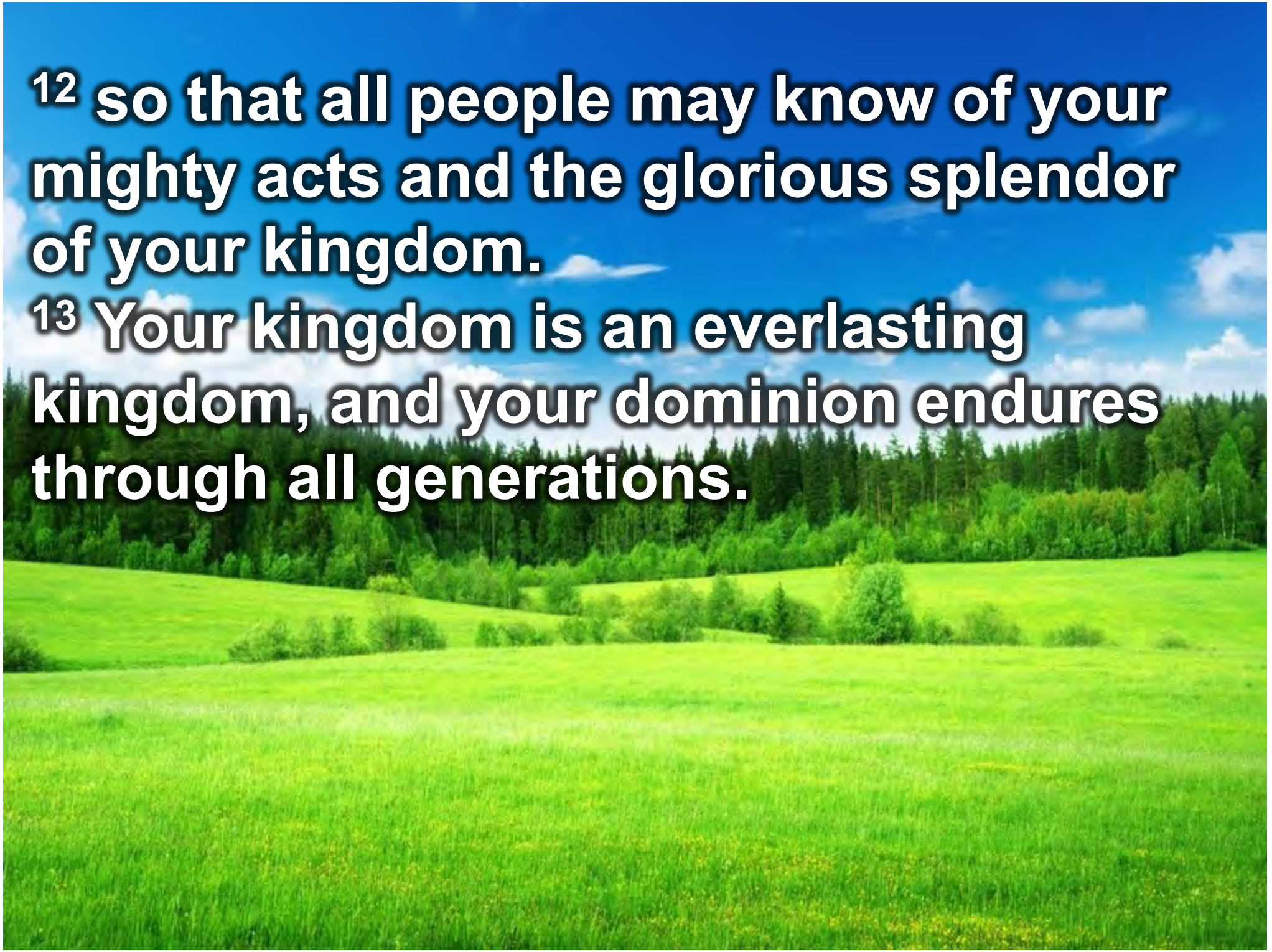
Psalm 145:1-21

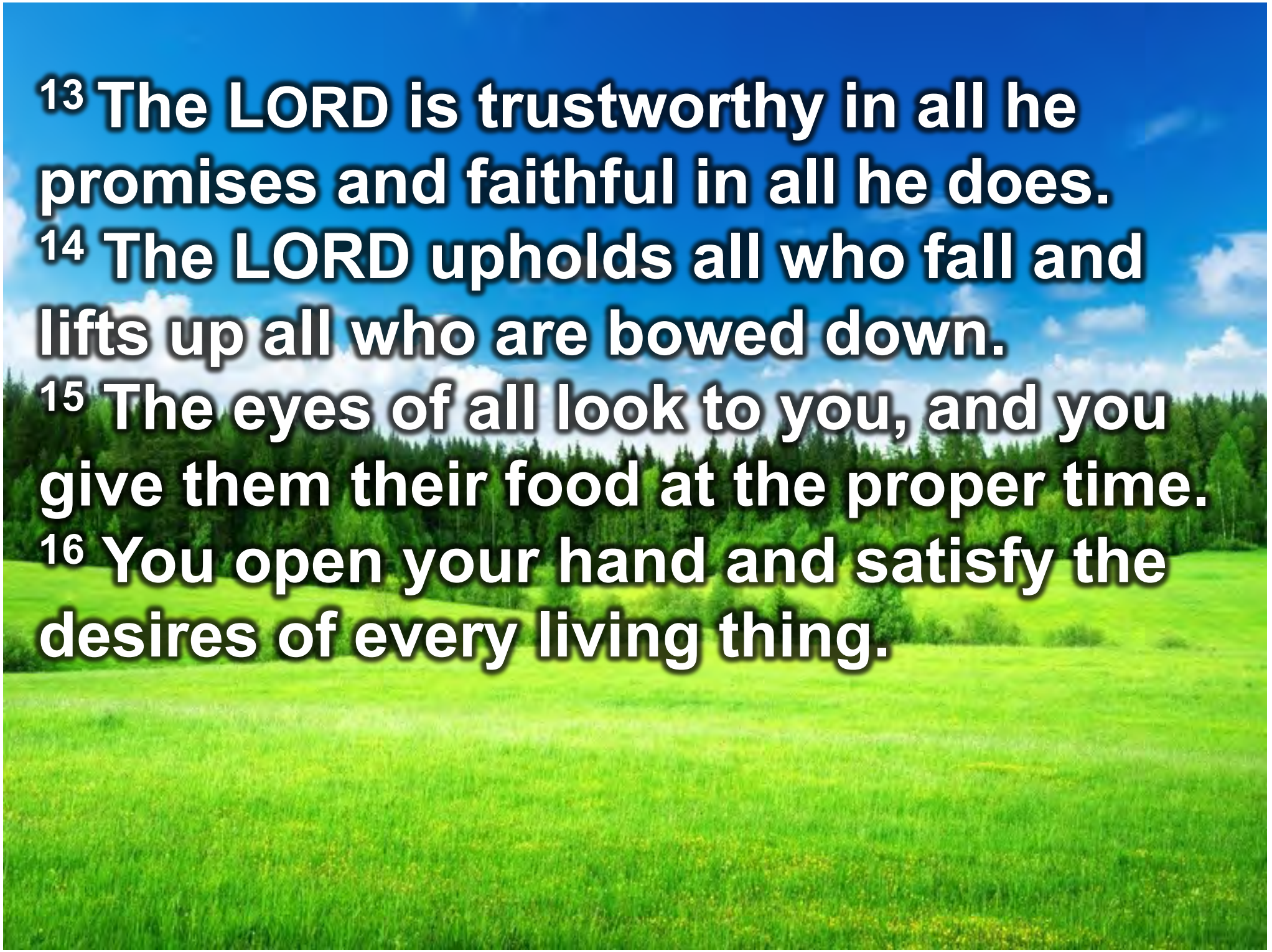
[1] I will exalt you, my God the King; I will
praise your name for ever and ever.
[2] Every day I will praise you and extol
your name for ever and ever.
splendor of your majesty— and I will
meditate on your wonderful works.

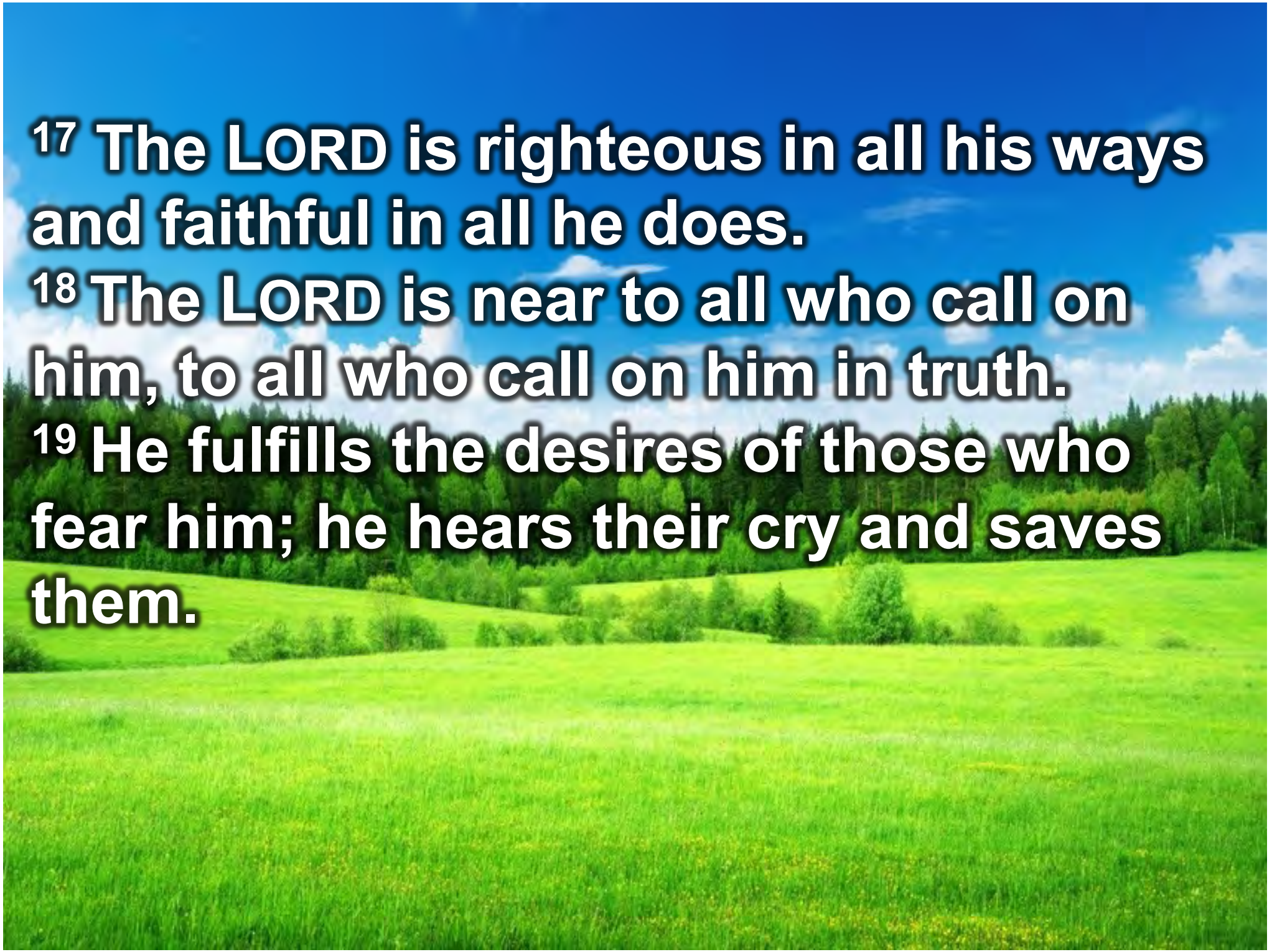

3 Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.
4 One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts.
5 They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty— and I will meditate on your wonderful works.

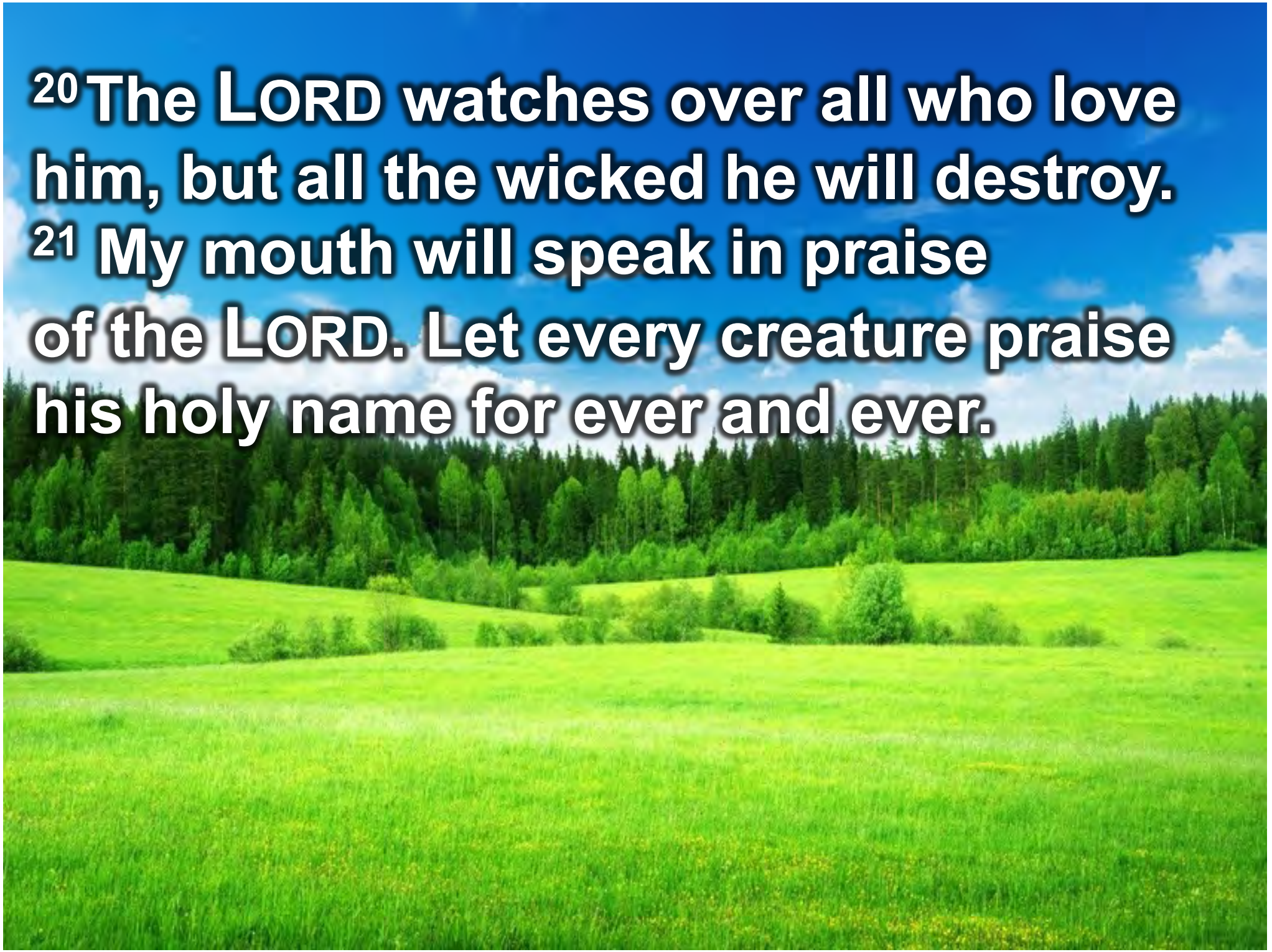

6 They tell of the power of your awesome works— and I will proclaim your great deeds.
7 They celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness.


8 The LORD is gracious and
compassionate, slow to anger and
rich in love.
9 The LORD is good to all; he has
compassion on all he has made.
10 All your works praise you, Lord; your
faithful people extol you.
11 They tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your might,


12 so that all people may know of your mighty acts and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures through all generations.


13 The LORD is trustworthy in all he promises and faithful in all he does.
14 The LORD upholds all who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down.
15 The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food at the proper time.
16 You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing.


17 The LORD is righteous in all his ways
and faithful in all he does.
18 The LORD is near to all who call on
him, to all who call on him in truth.
19 He fulfills the desires of those who
fear him; he hears their cry and saves
them.


20 The LORD watches over all who love
him, but all the wicked he will destroy.
21 My mouth will speak in praise
of the LORD. Let every creature praise
his holy name for ever and ever.

Praise is in Every Psalm!

"My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord, and all flesh shall bless His Holy name forever and ever "

(Psalm 145:21)



Psalm 146

Psalm 147

Psalm 148

Psalm 149

Psalm 150

REVIEW QUIZ on the Psalms

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2. **Which of the following are not considered possible authors of the Psalms? *Asaph; Asa; David; Ethan; Ezra; Haggai; Hezekiah; Jeremiah; Malachi; Moses; Naomi; Solomon; Sons of Korah; Stephen King; Zechariah***

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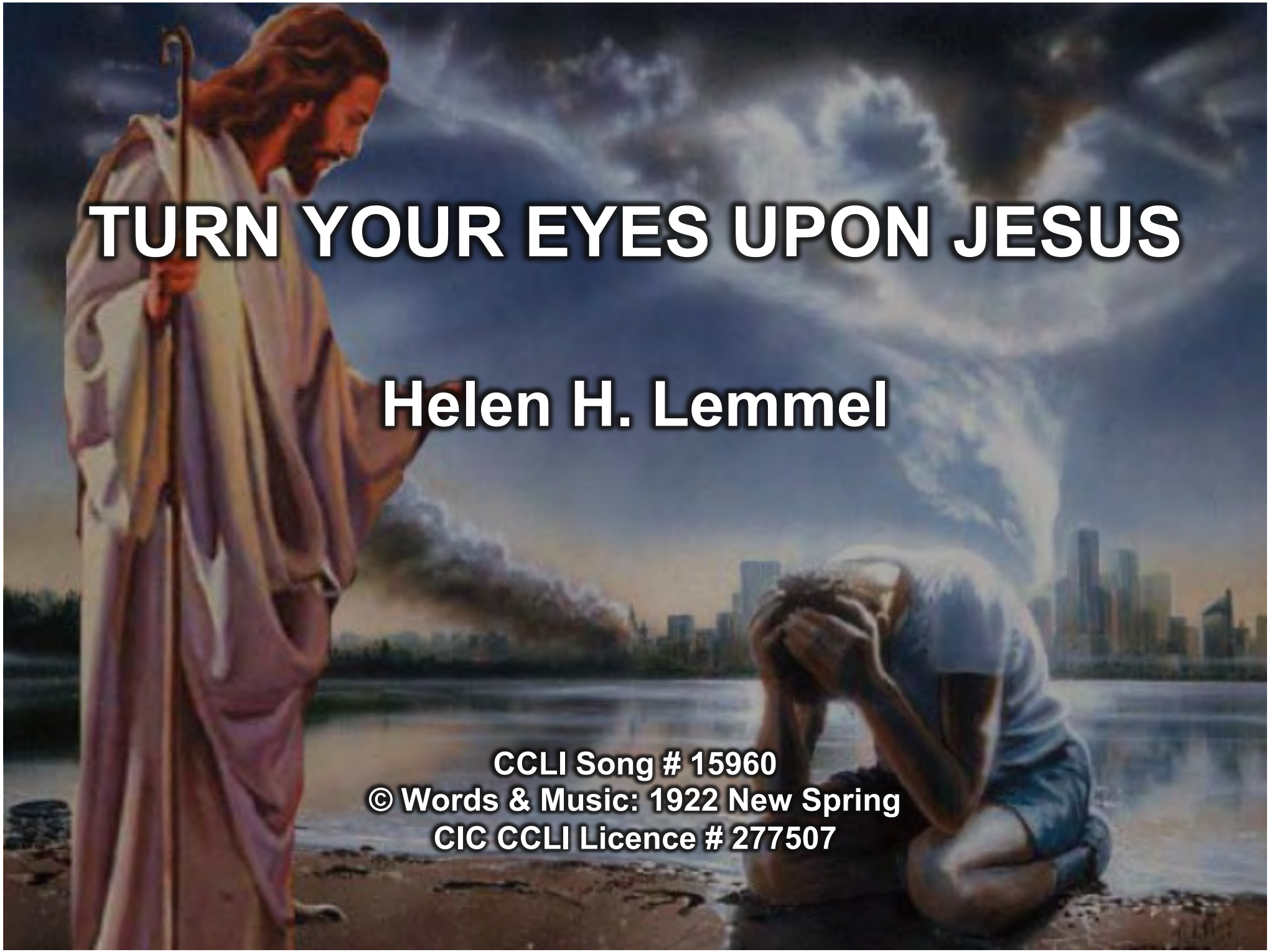
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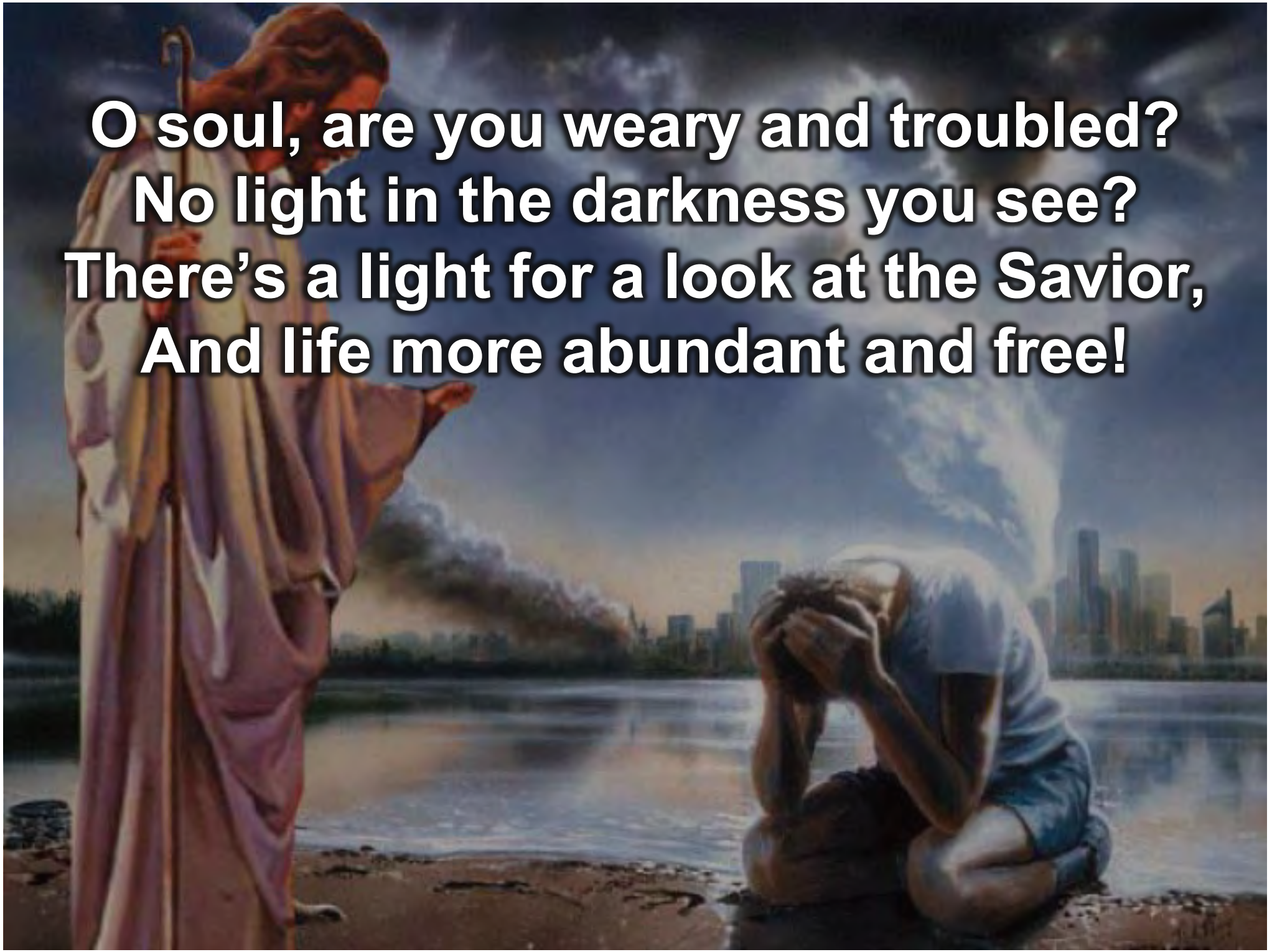
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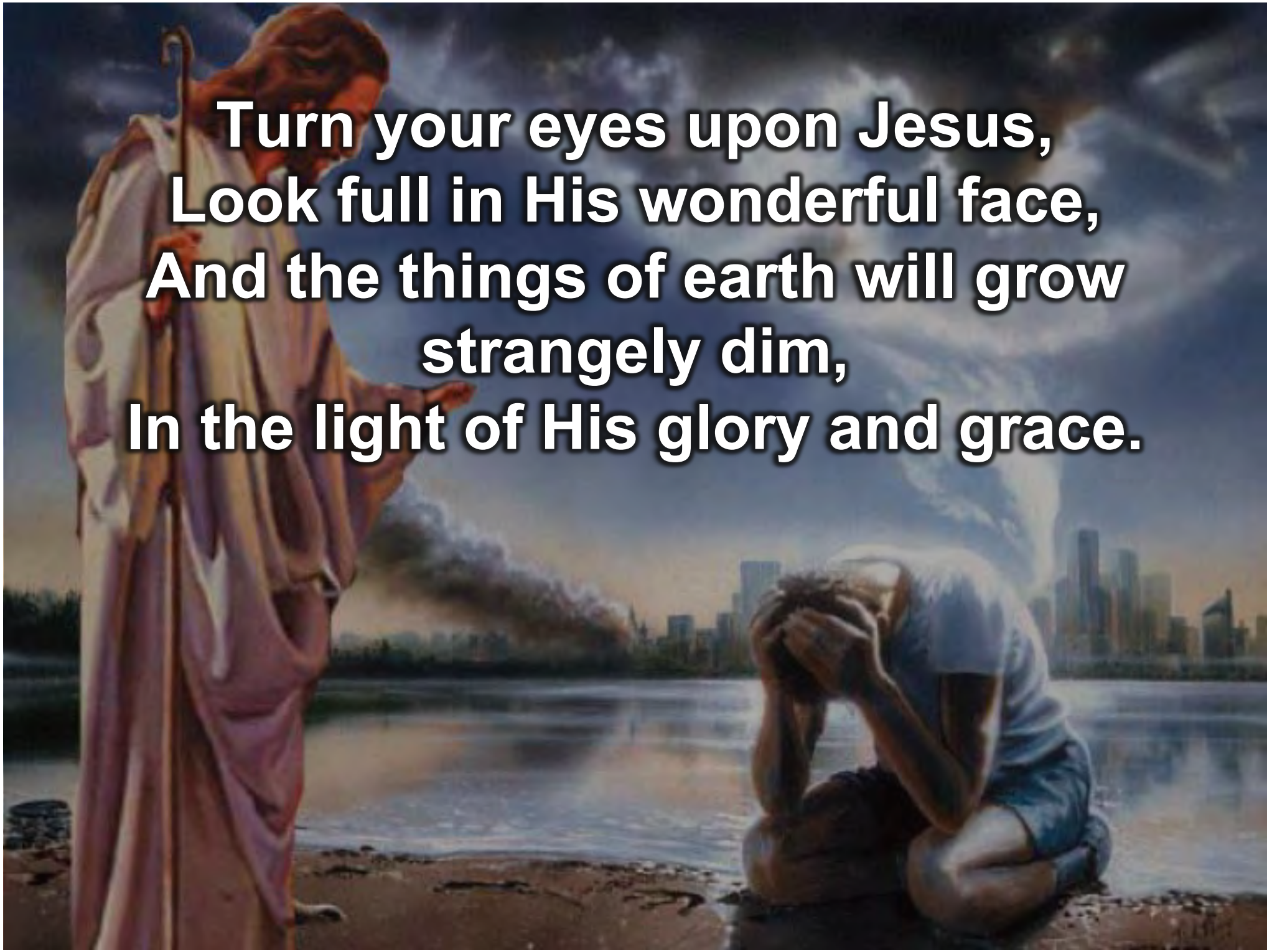
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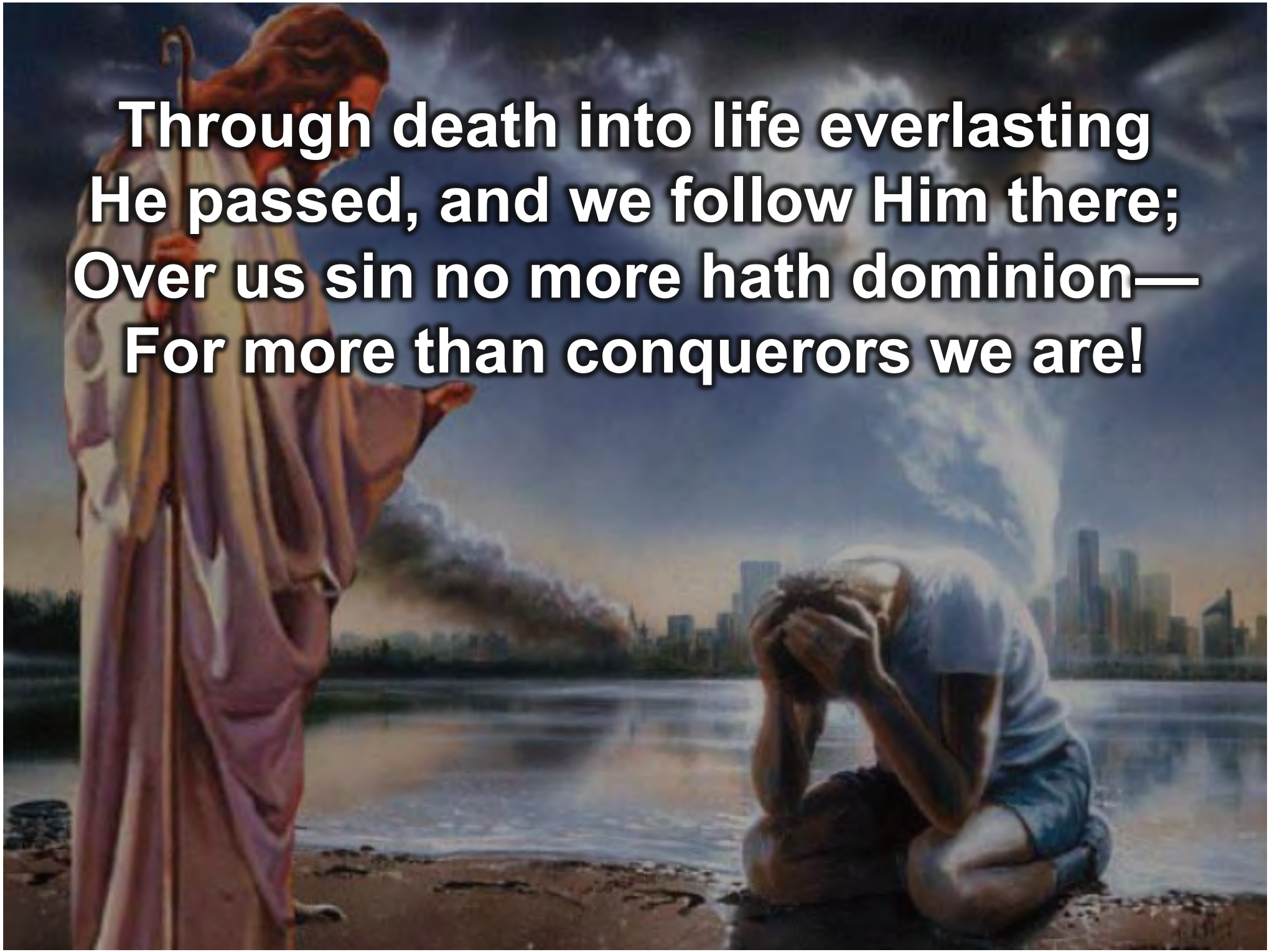
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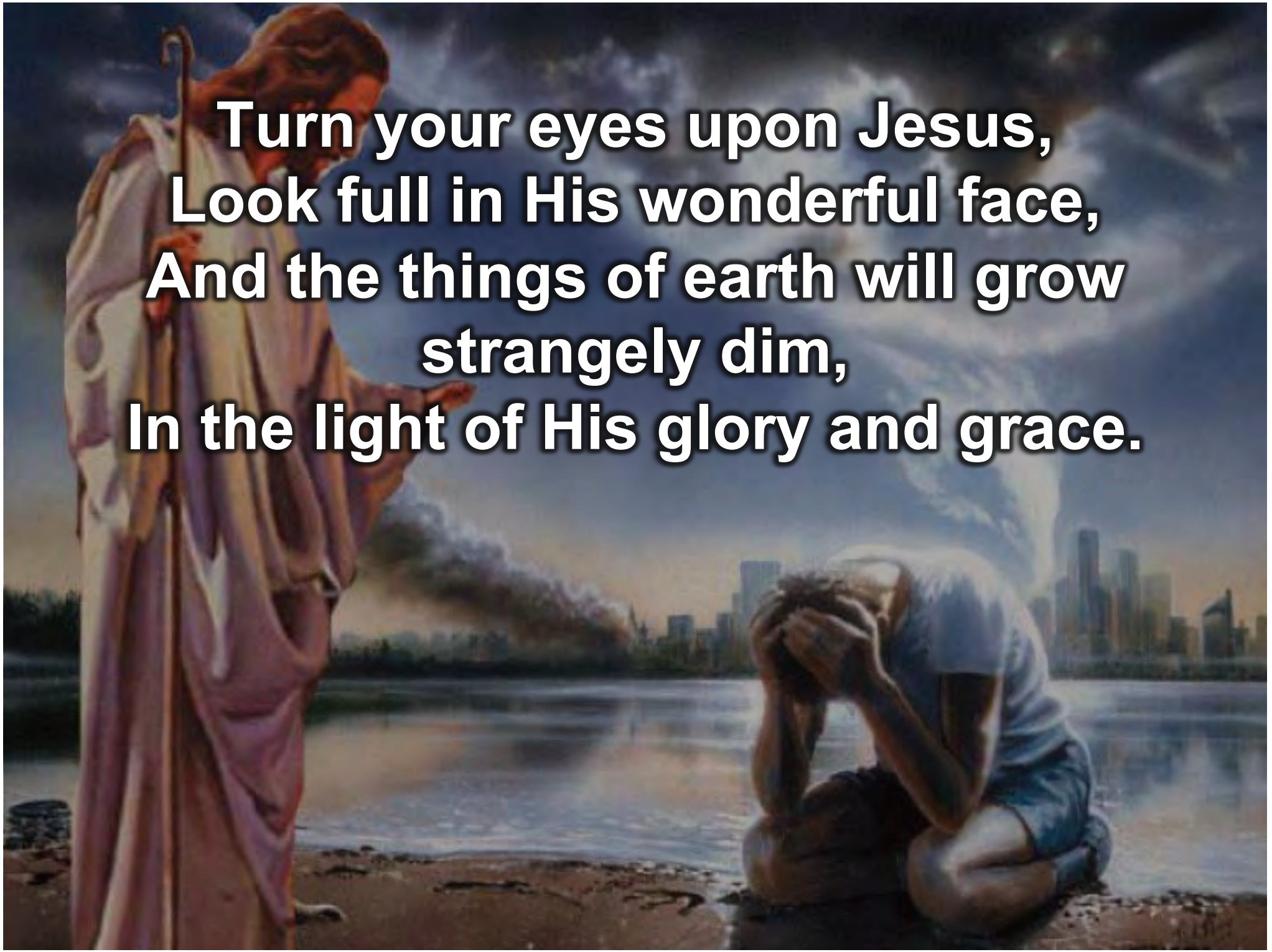
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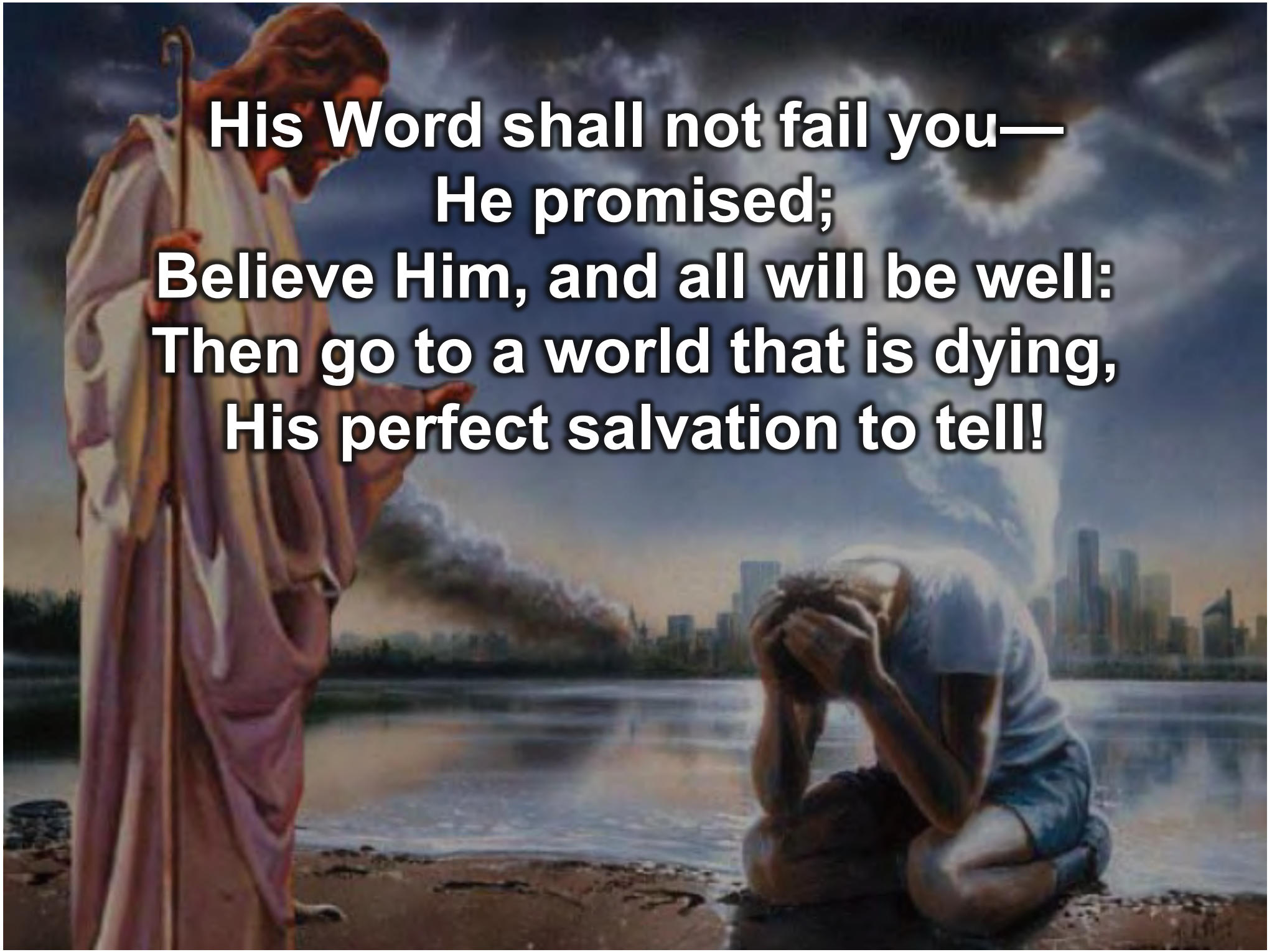

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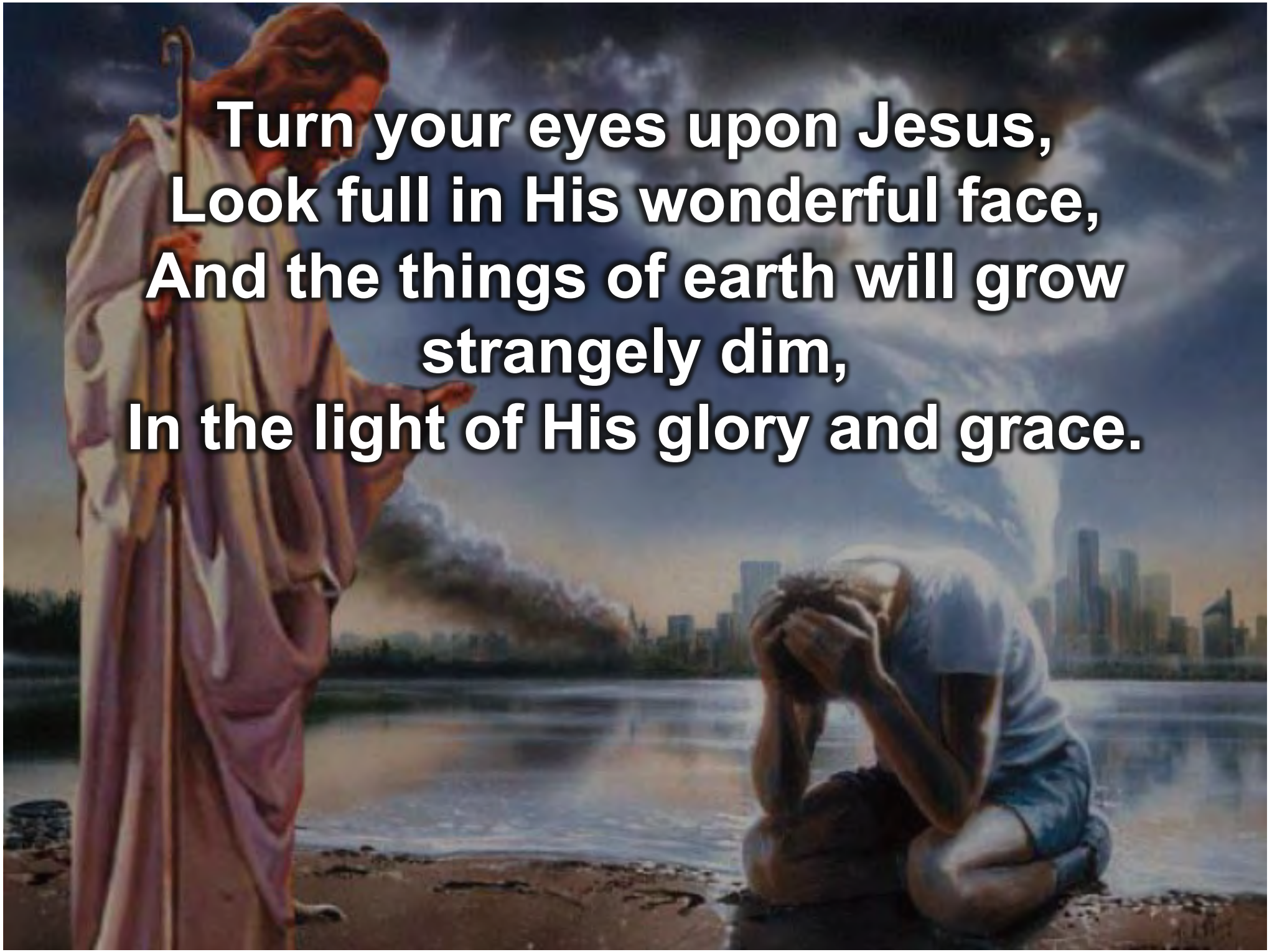

O soul, are you weary and troubled?
No light in the darkness you see?
There's a light for a look at the Savior,
And life more abundant and free!

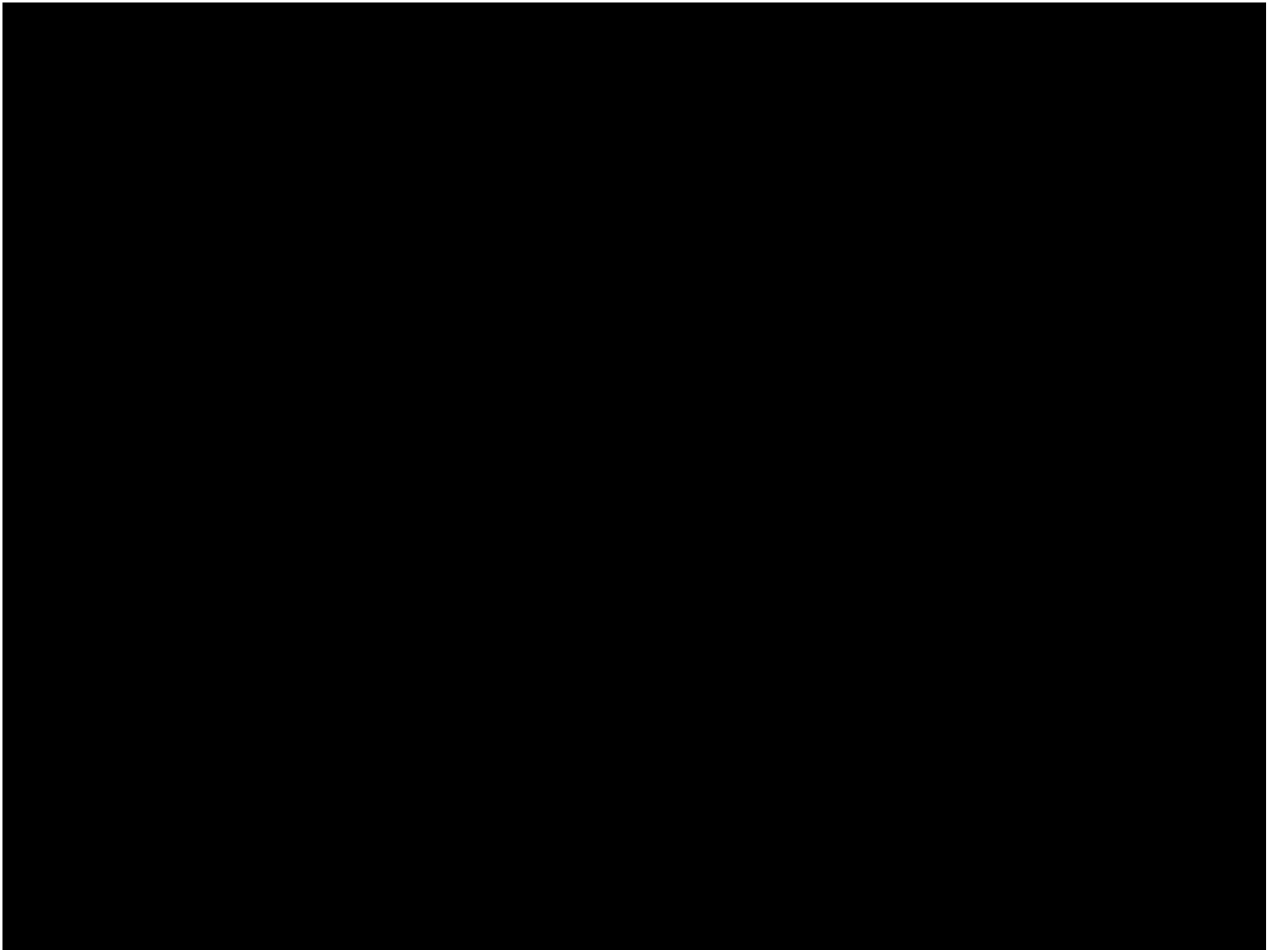

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow
strangely dim,
In the light of His glory and grace.


Through death into life everlasting
He passed, and we follow Him there;
Over us sin no more hath dominion—
For more than conquerors we are!

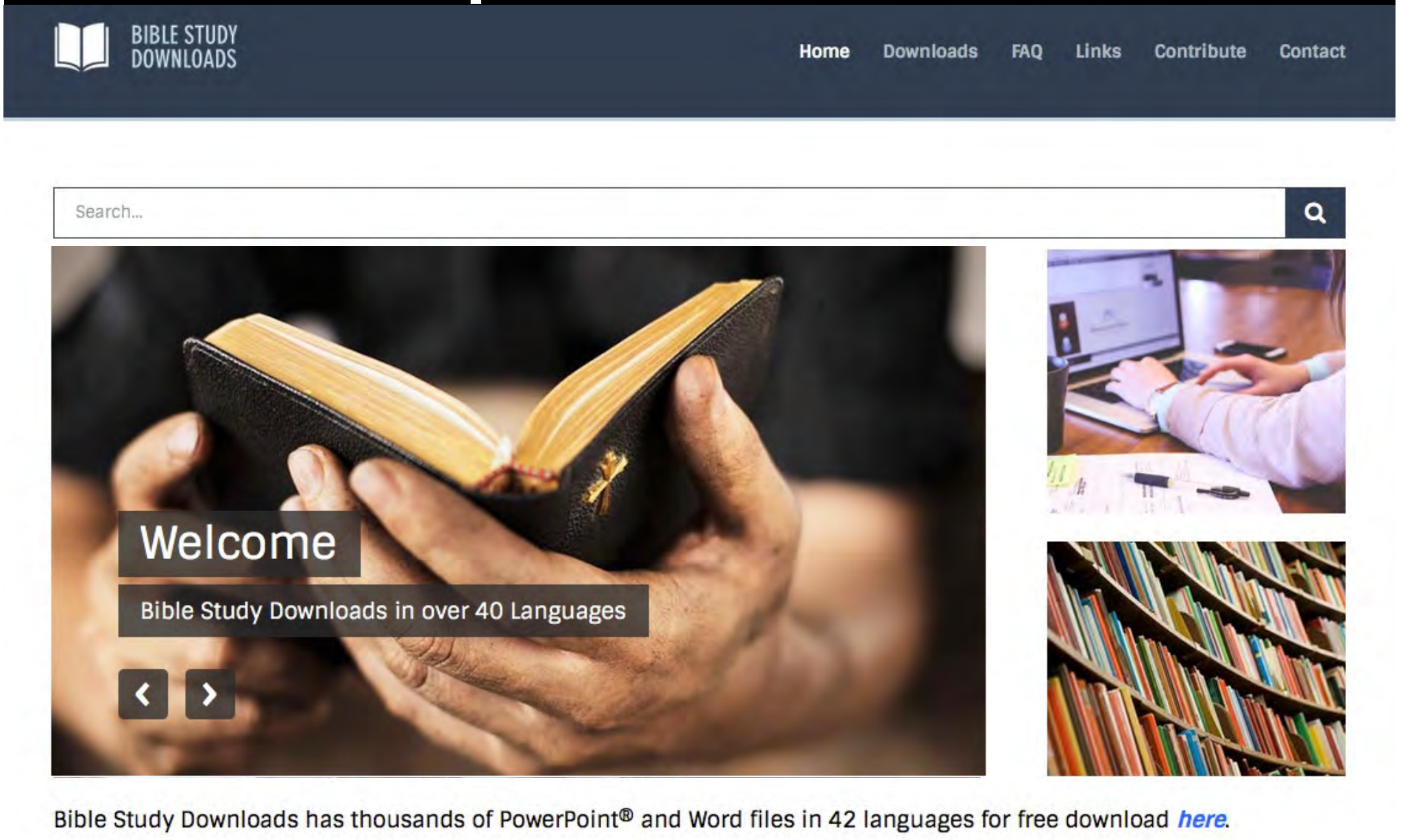

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His Word shall not fail you—
He promised;
Believe Him, and all will be well:
Then go to a world that is dying,
His perfect salvation to tell!


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