





Hope's Foundation Part 5

*The HOPE God offers that
leads to lasting CHANGE.*



Now faith is being sure of what
we hope for and certain of
what we do not see.

Hebrews 11:1

Proverbs 3:5-6

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight."

Trust in the LORD



Trust requires that I take a
RISK.

Trust in the LORD



"If you try to keep your life for yourself you will lose it. But if you give up your life for Me you'll find true life."

Matthew 16:25

Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade



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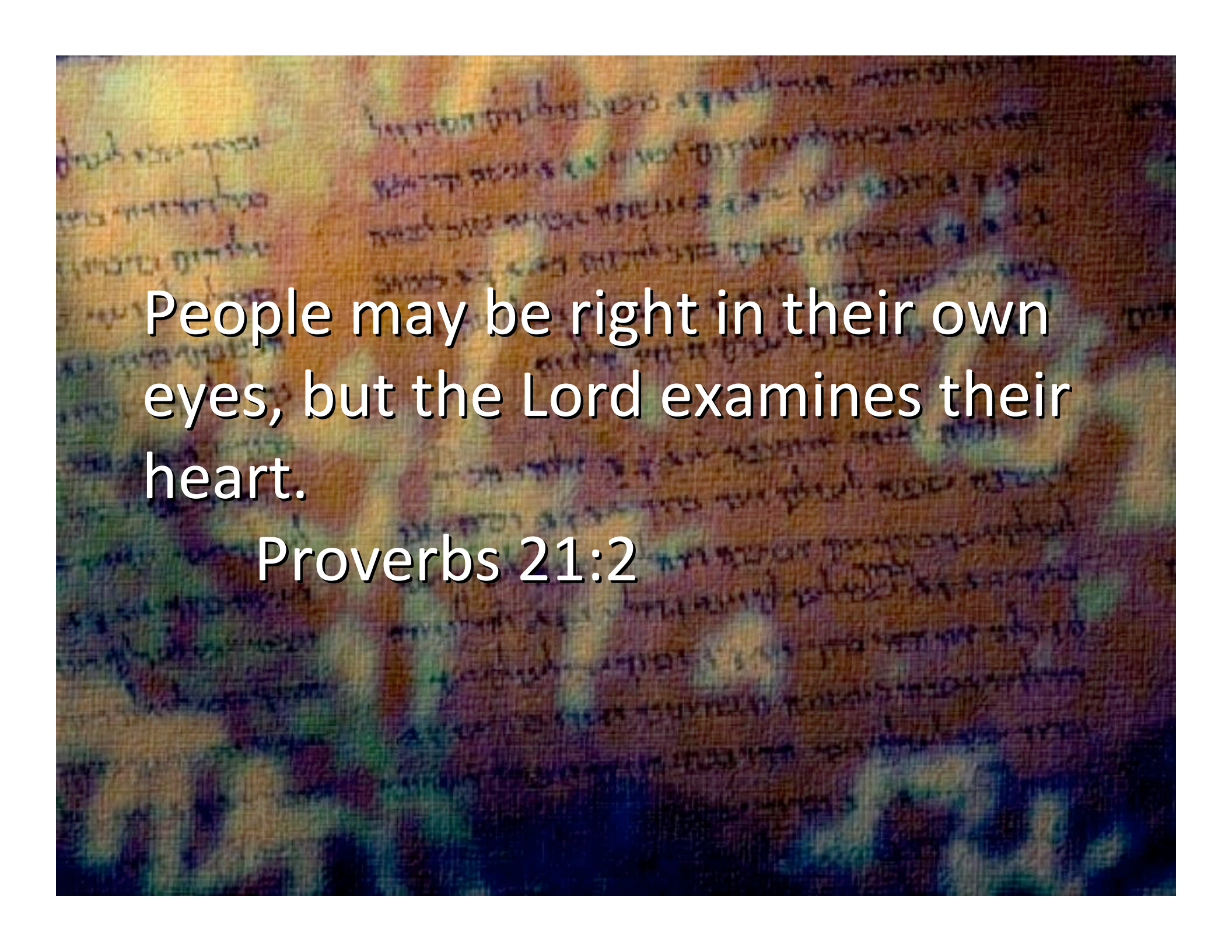
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Judges 17:6

All the people did whatever
seemed right in their own eyes.



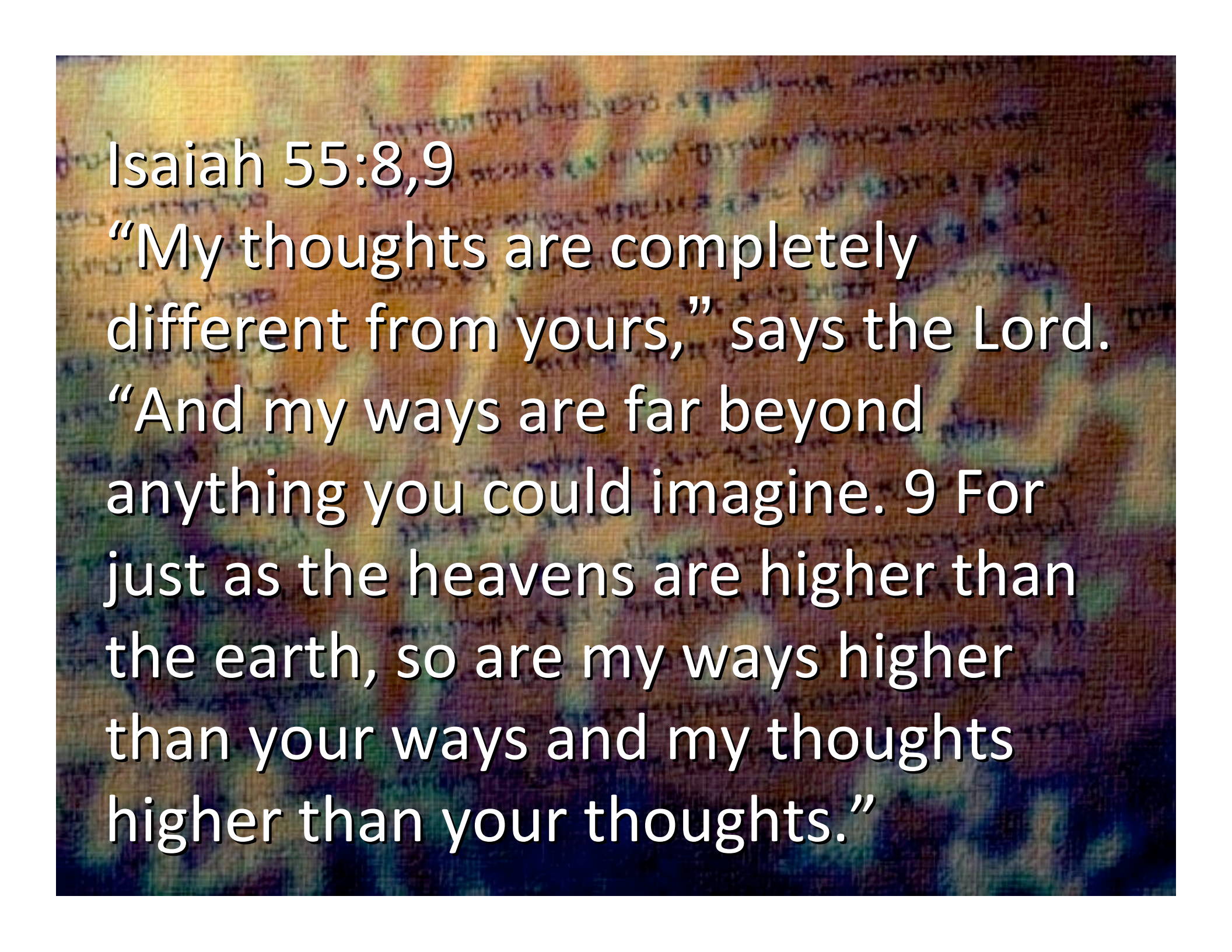
People may be right in their own eyes, but the Lord examines their heart.

Proverbs 21:2



Proverbs 14:12

There is a path before each person
that seems right but it ends in death.



Isaiah 55:8,9

“My thoughts are completely different from yours,” says the Lord.

“And my ways are far beyond anything you could imagine. 9 For just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts higher than your thoughts.”

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**You acknowledge God
by Obeying Him.**

“Remember it’s a message
to obey and not just listen
to. If you don’t obey,
you’re only fooling
yourself.” James 1:22



"It's impossible to
rightly govern the world
without God and the Bible."

George Washington



*"The Bible is the
best gift God has
given to man.
Without it we
could not know
right from wrong."*

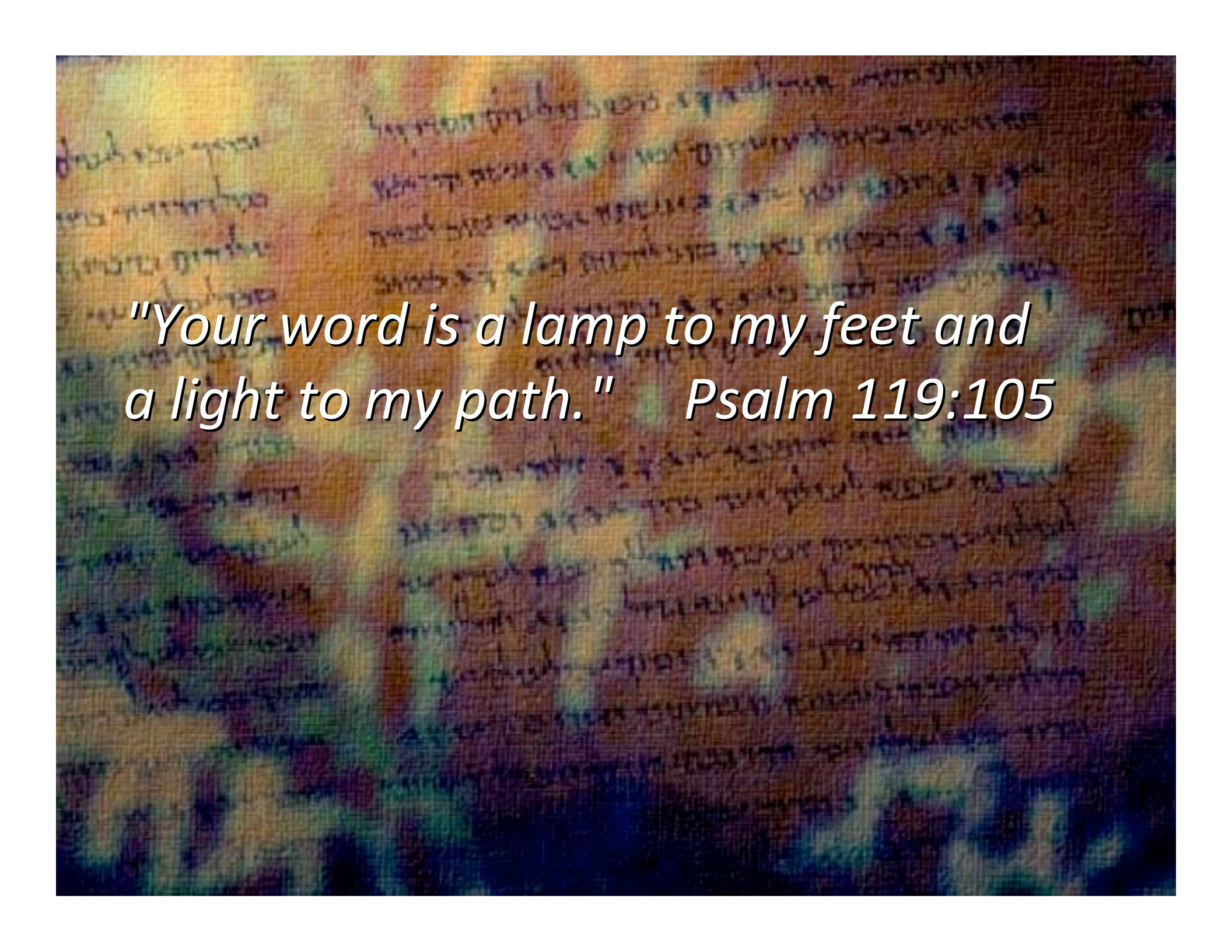


Honest Abe Lincoln



Teddy Roosevelt

"A thorough knowledge of the Bible is worth more than a college education."



*"Your word is a lamp to my feet and
a light to my path." Psalm 119:105*

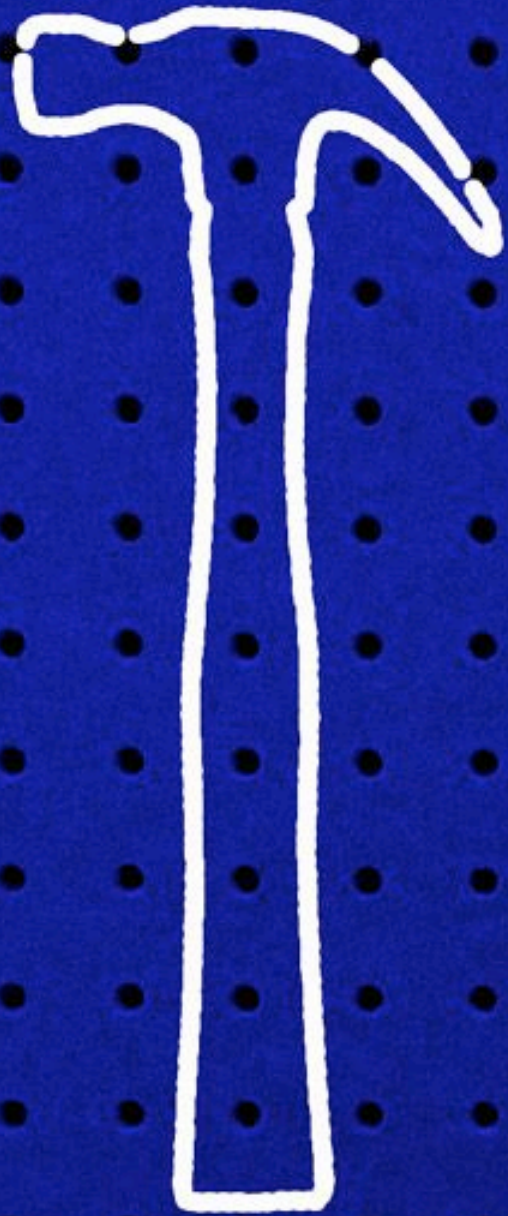
"For the Word of God is full of living power. It's sharper than the sharpest knife cutting deep into our innermost thoughts and desires. It exposes us for what we really are."

Hebrews 4:12

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When you read the Bible, you should be
Challenged



Experience
“The Word”

EVERYDAY

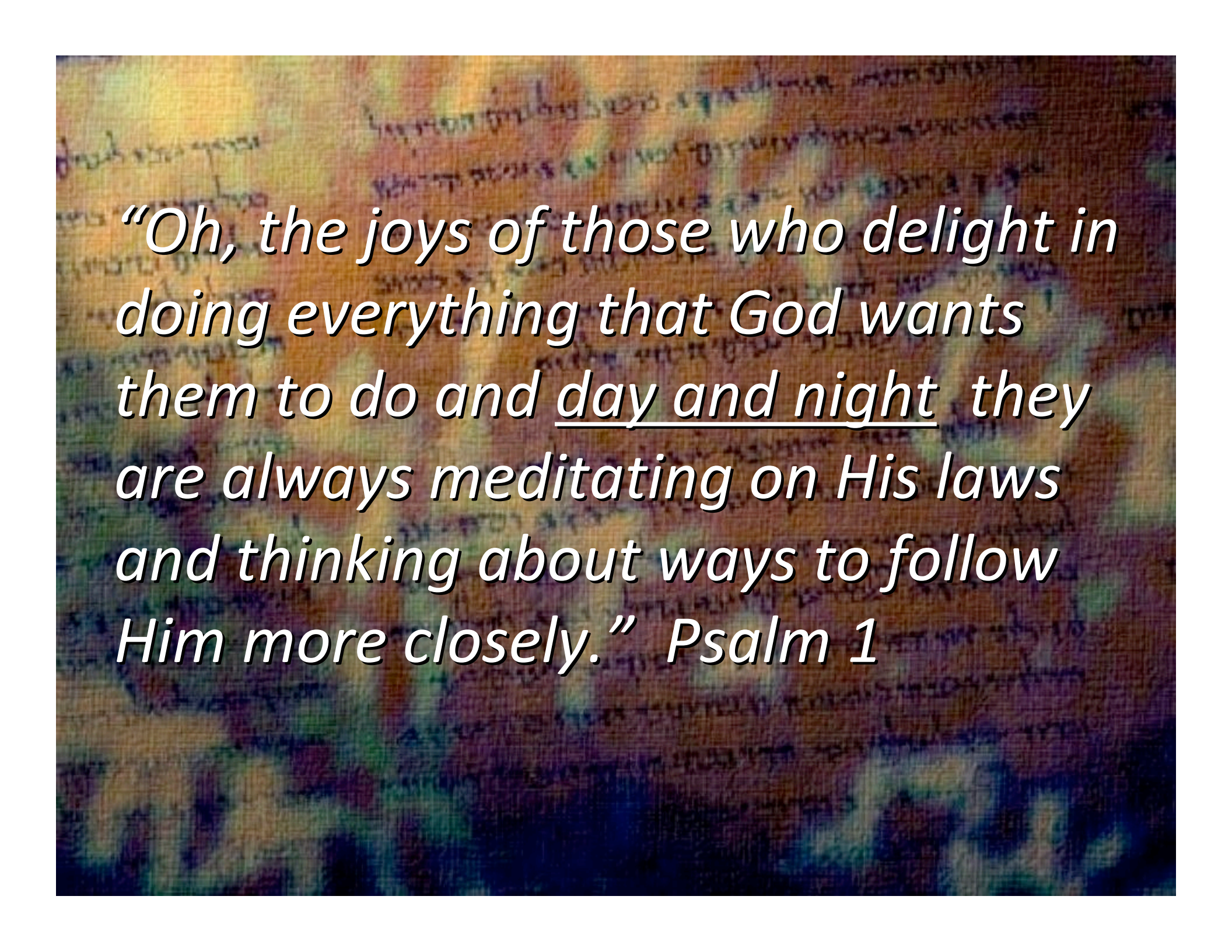
These Jews (in Berea) were more receptive than those in Thessalonica, for they welcomed the message very eagerly and examined the scriptures every day to see whether these things were so.

Acts 17:11



Many of them therefore believed,
including not a few Greek women
and men of high standing.

Acts 17:12



“Oh, the joys of those who delight in doing everything that God wants them to do and day and night they are always meditating on His laws and thinking about ways to follow Him more closely.” Psalm 1

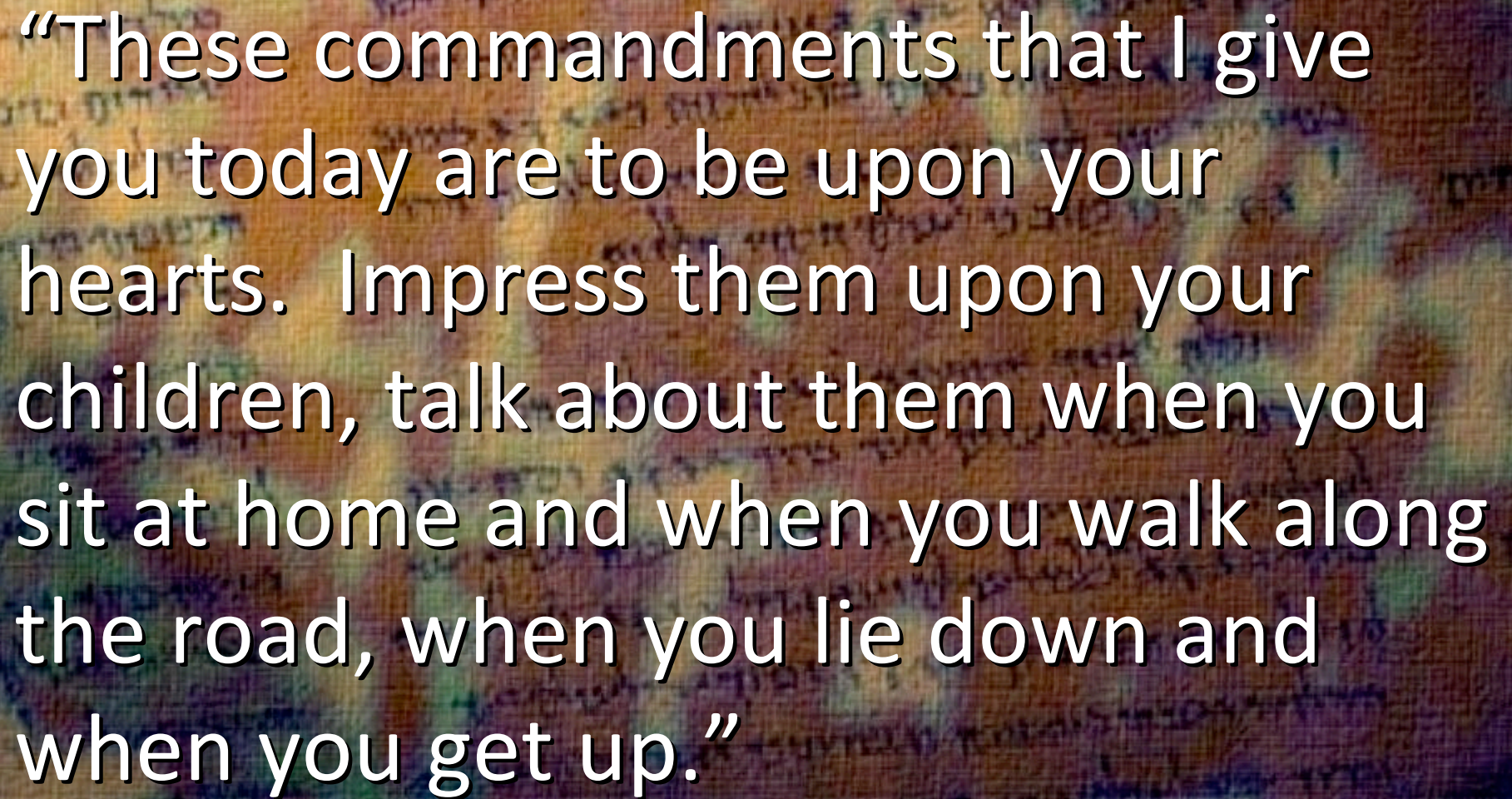


Discuss “The Word”

with

OTHERS.





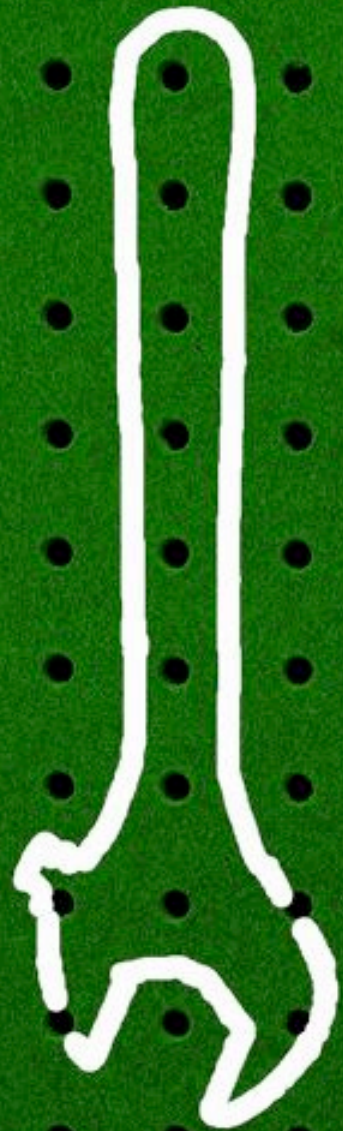
“These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them upon your children, talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.”

Deuteronomy 6:6,7



Jay Leno street interviews on
people's Bible knowledge



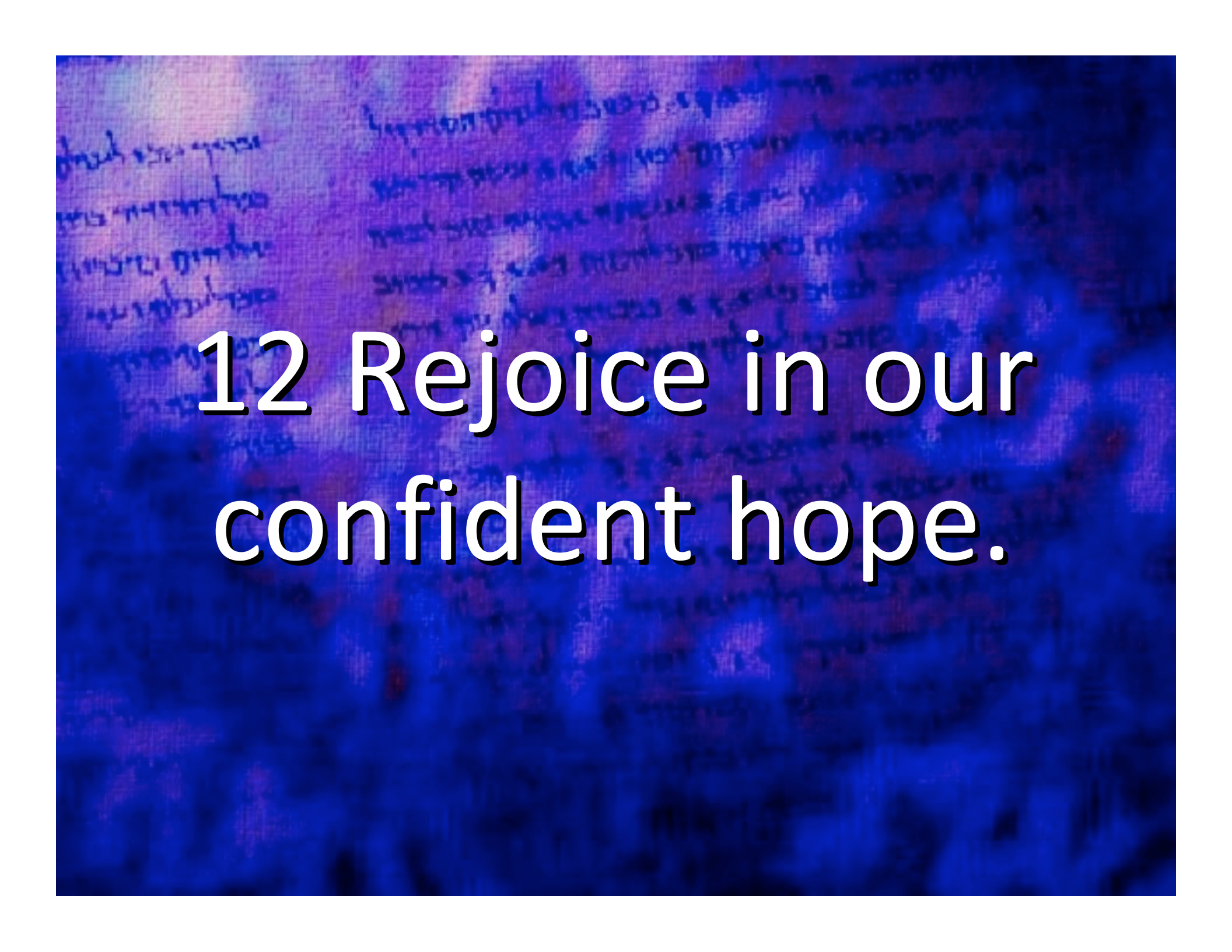


Act on
“The Word”
with
IMMEDIACY

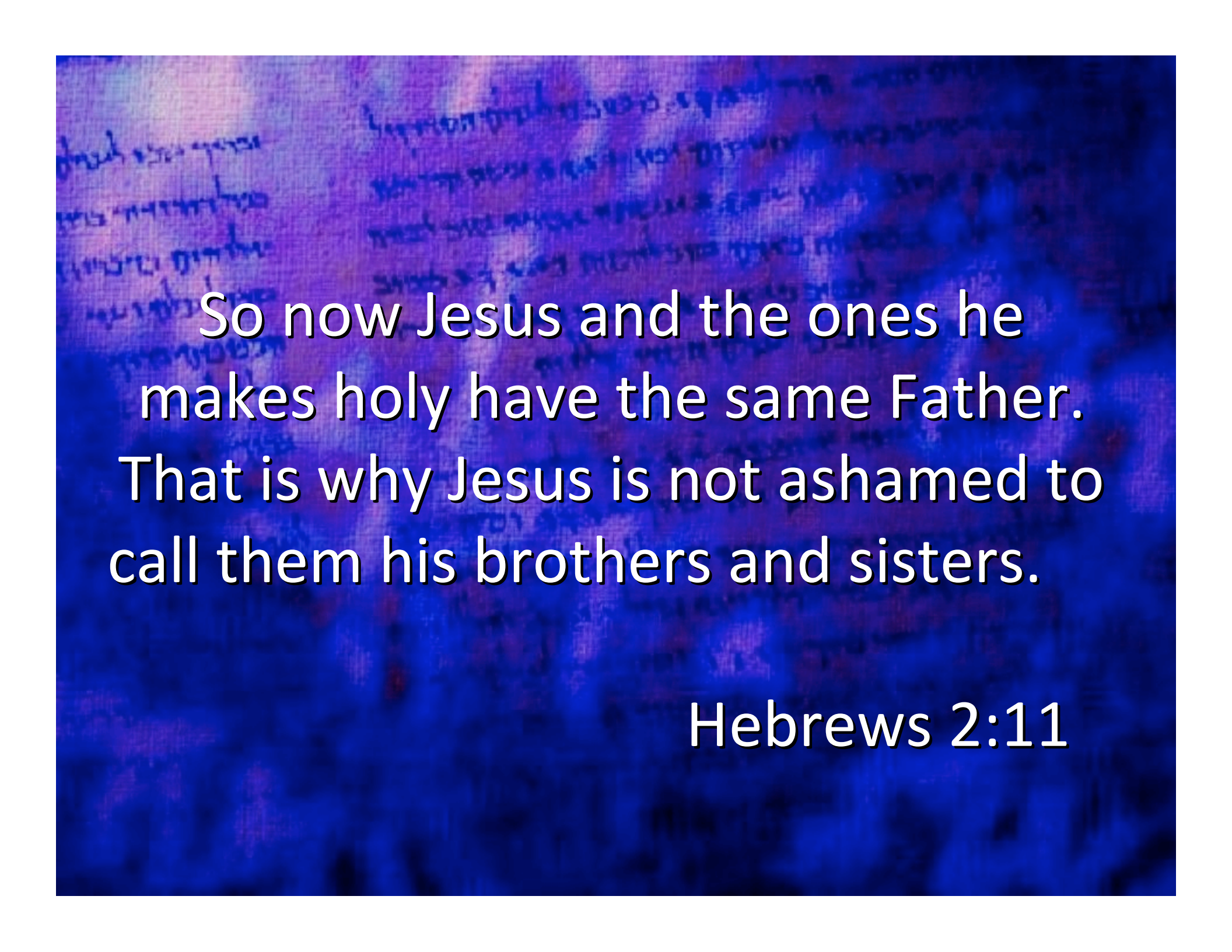
“Don’t fool yourself into thinking that you are a listener when you are anything but, letting the word go in one ear and out the other. Act on what you hear! Those who hear and don’t act are like those who glance in the mirror, walk away, and two minutes later have no idea who they are or what they look like.”

James 1:22-24

Don't just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good. 10 Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other. 11 Never be lazy, but work hard and serve the Lord enthusiastically. 12 Rejoice in our confident hope. Be patient in trouble, and keep on praying. 13 When God's people are in need, be ready to help them. Always be eager to practice hospitality. Romans 12:9-13



12 Rejoice in our
confident hope.



So now Jesus and the ones he
makes holy have the same Father.
That is why Jesus is not ashamed to
call them his brothers and sisters.

Hebrews 2:11

2 Timothy 3:16,17

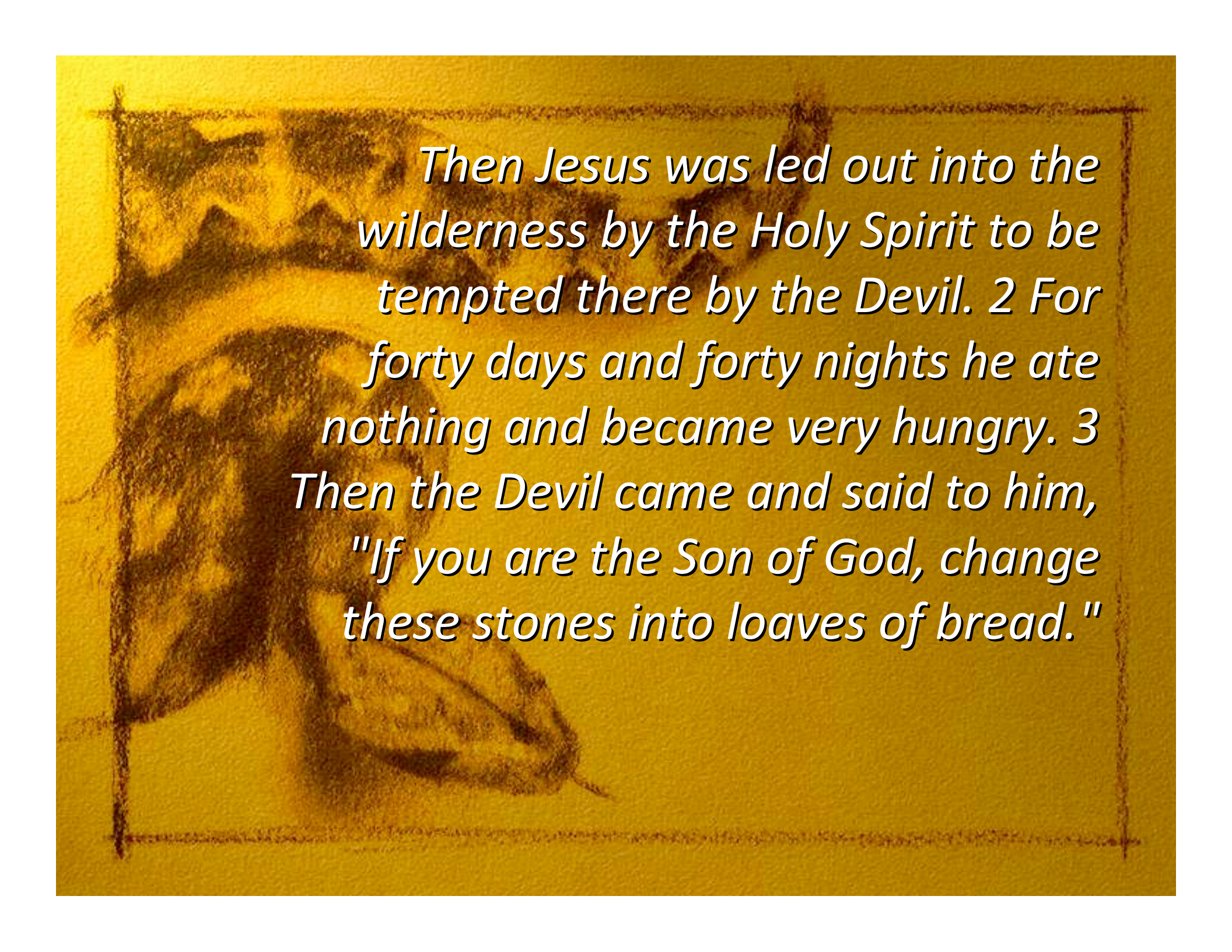
All scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.



Key principal of the Christian Life:

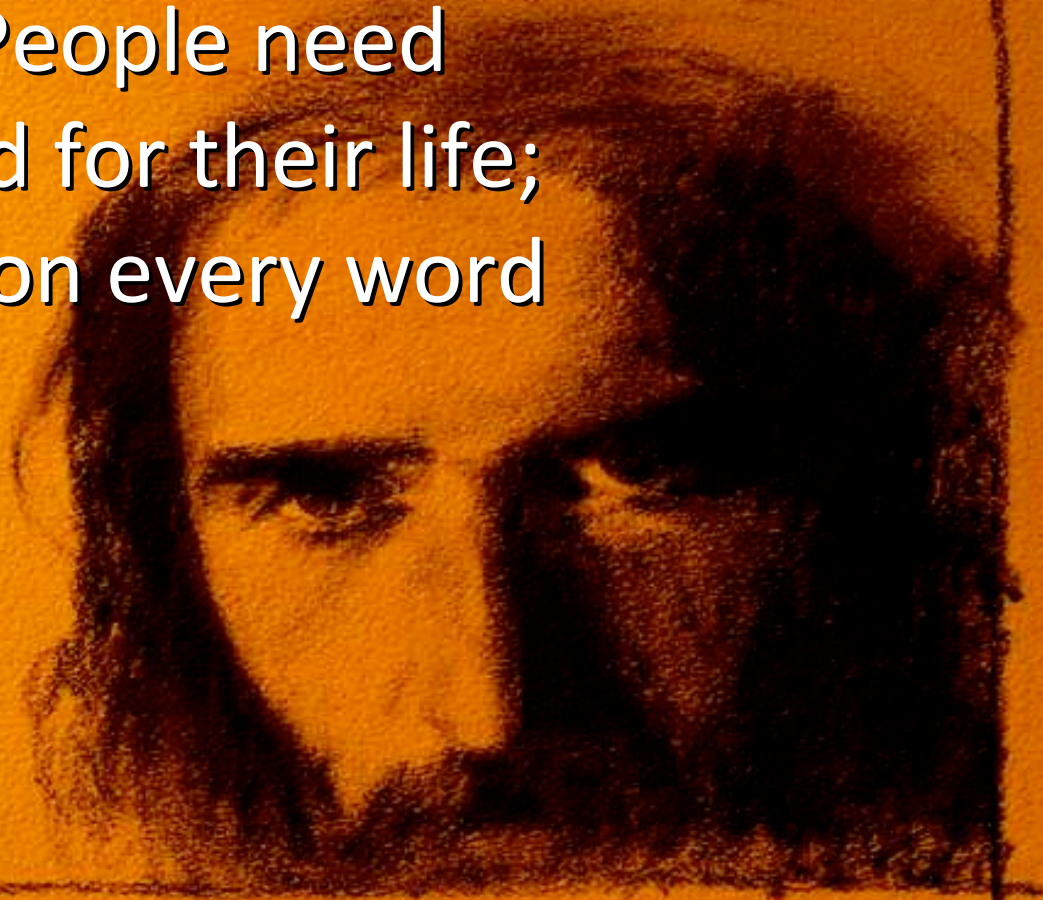
How you and I live will be influenced by what our mind and our heart soaks up from God's word.

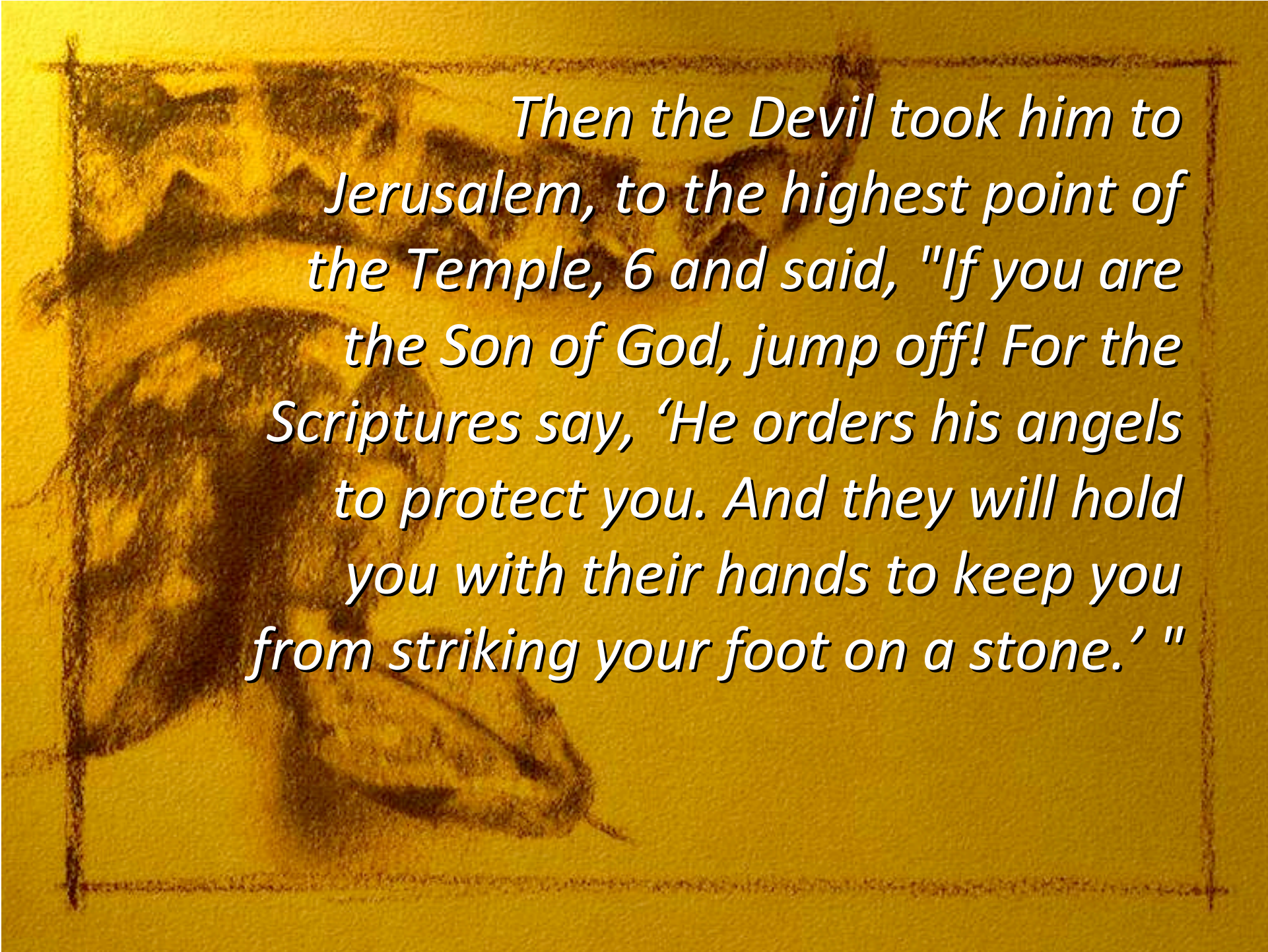




Then Jesus was led out into the wilderness by the Holy Spirit to be tempted there by the Devil. 2 For forty days and forty nights he ate nothing and became very hungry. 3 Then the Devil came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, change these stones into loaves of bread."

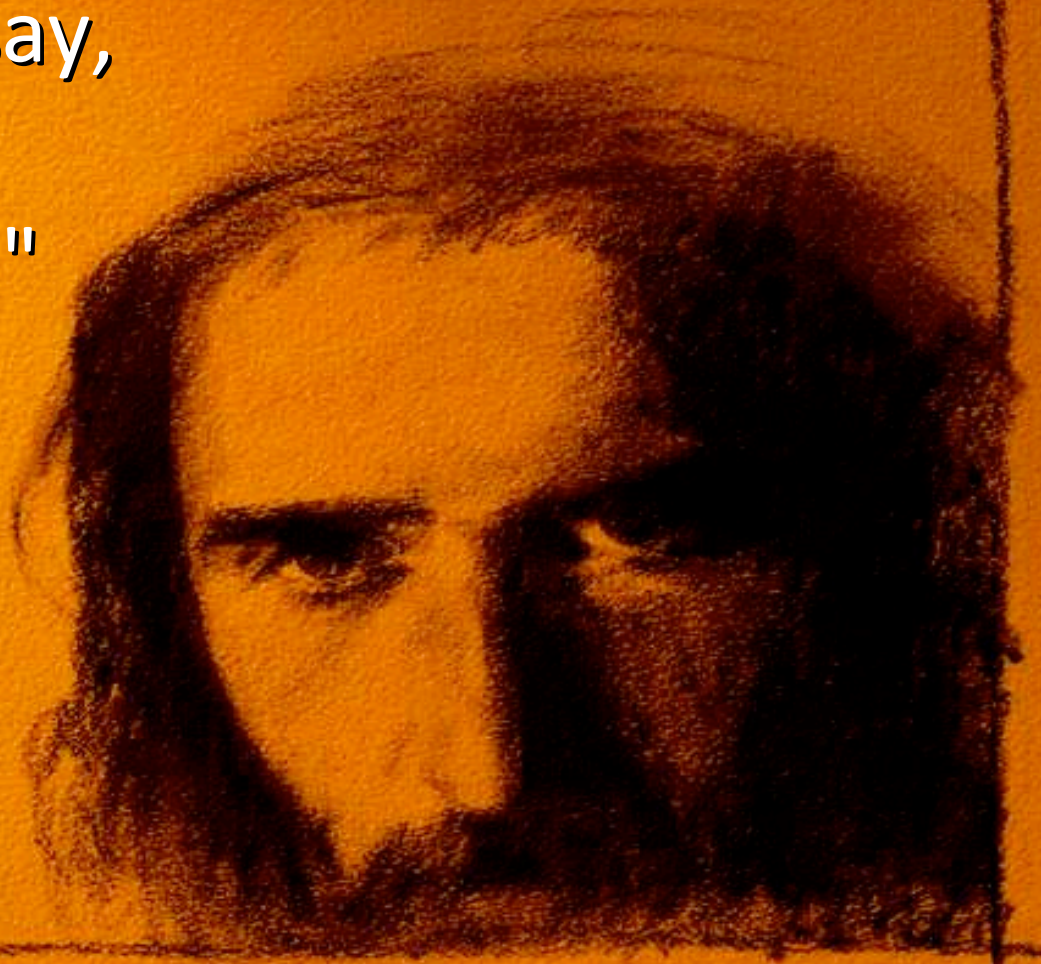
But Jesus told him, "No! The Scriptures say, 'People need more than bread for their life; they must feed on every word of God.' "

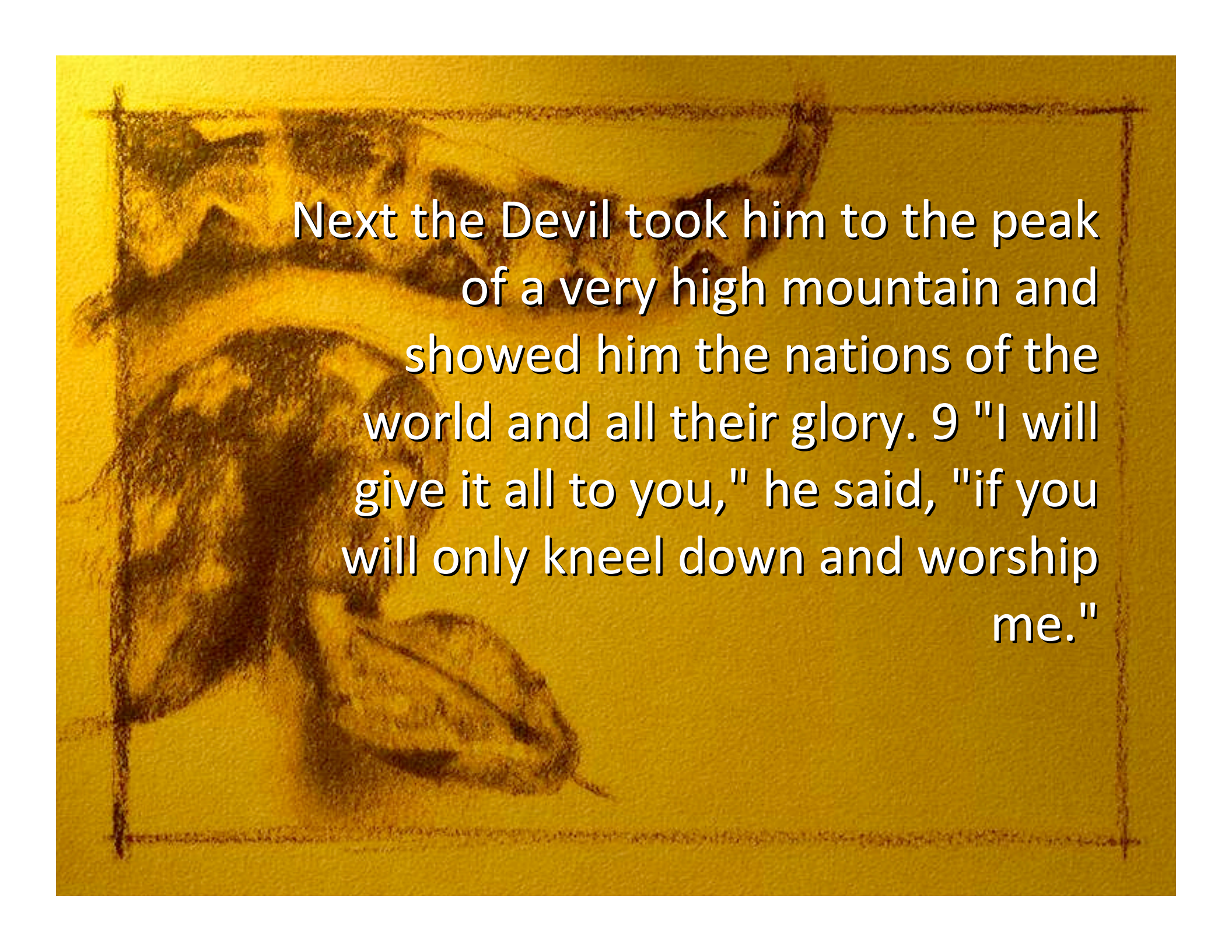




Then the Devil took him to Jerusalem, to the highest point of the Temple, 6 and said, "If you are the Son of God, jump off! For the Scriptures say, 'He orders his angels to protect you. And they will hold you with their hands to keep you from striking your foot on a stone.' "

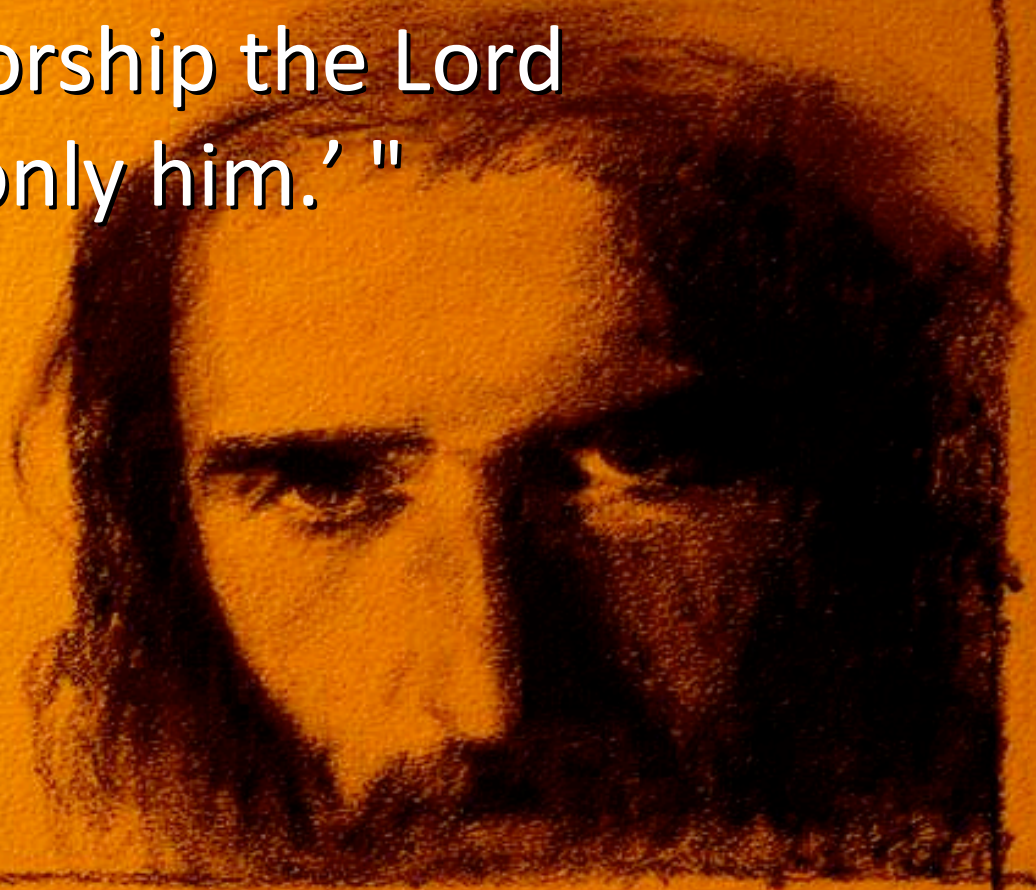
Jesus responded, "The
Scriptures also say,
'Do not test the
Lord your God.' "





Next the Devil took him to the peak
of a very high mountain and
showed him the nations of the
world and all their glory. 9 "I will
give it all to you," he said, "if you
will only kneel down and worship
me."

"Get out of here, Satan," Jesus told him. "For the Scriptures say, 'You must worship the Lord your God; serve only him.' "



*...He will make your
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What does that mean?











