



Please pray for the Vatran
family
in Romania.



The Servant King



The story of the *King*... who came to *serve*.

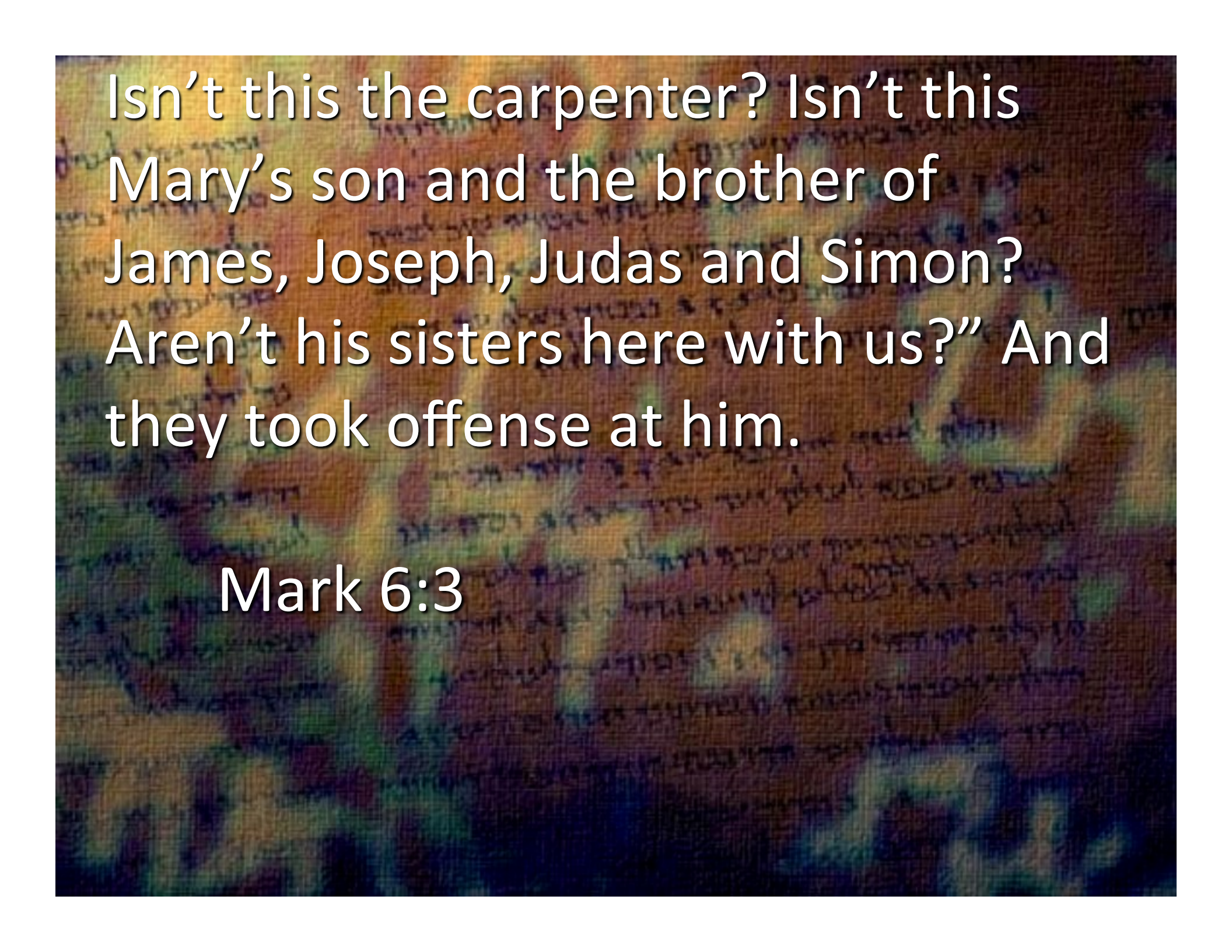




John 15:18

... if the world hates you
remember it hated me first.





Isn't this the carpenter? Isn't this
Mary's son and the brother of
James, Joseph, Judas and Simon?
Aren't his sisters here with us?" And
they took offense at him.

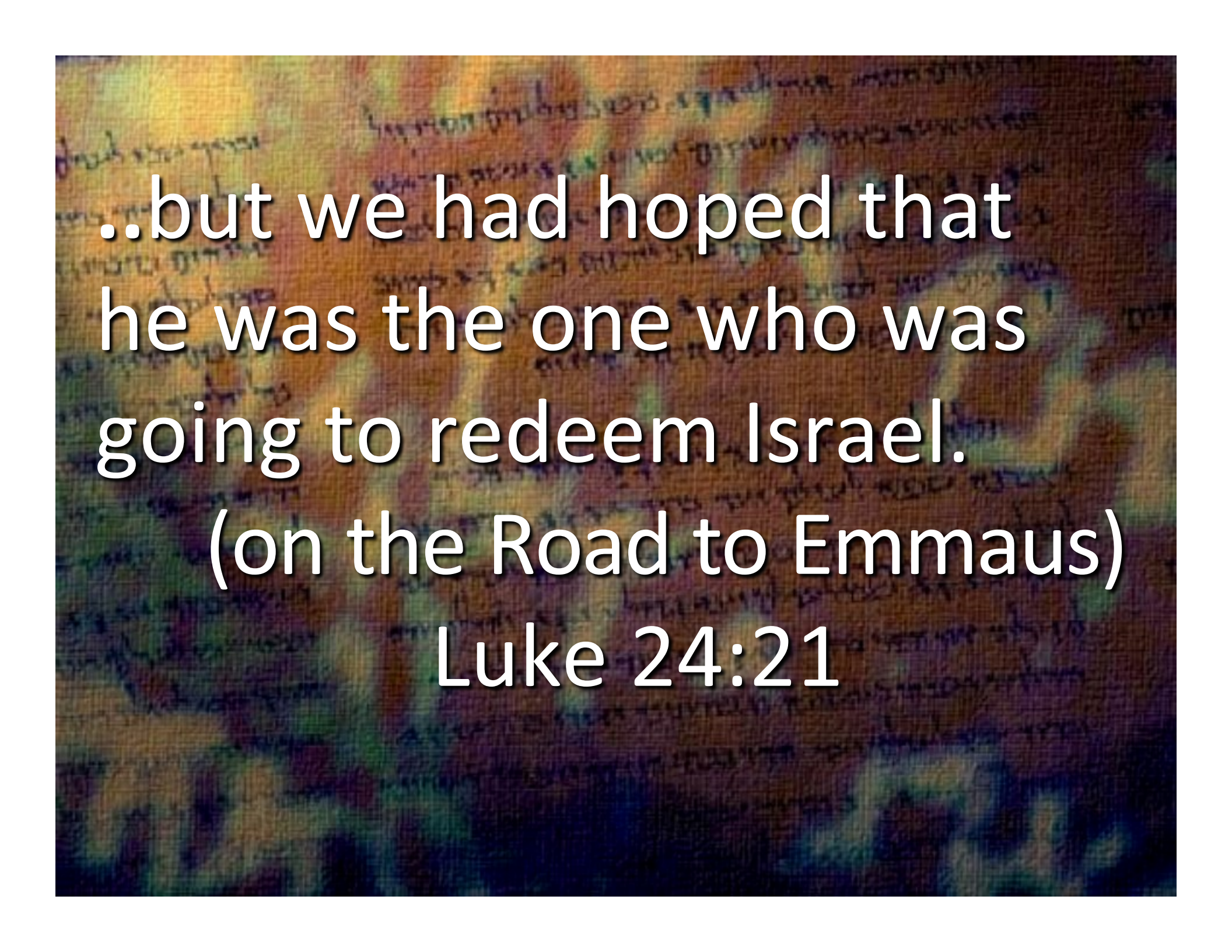
Mark 6:3



Their
discernment
could not
penetrate the
veil of
ordinariness that
surrounded him.

A. The ordinariness of Jesus is
offensive because it

diminishes their idea
of God's salvation.



..but we had hoped that
he was the one who was
going to redeem Israel.

(on the Road to Emmaus)

Luke 24:21

Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, ... he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?"
42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish, 43 and he took it and ate it in their presence.

Luke 24:39,41b-43

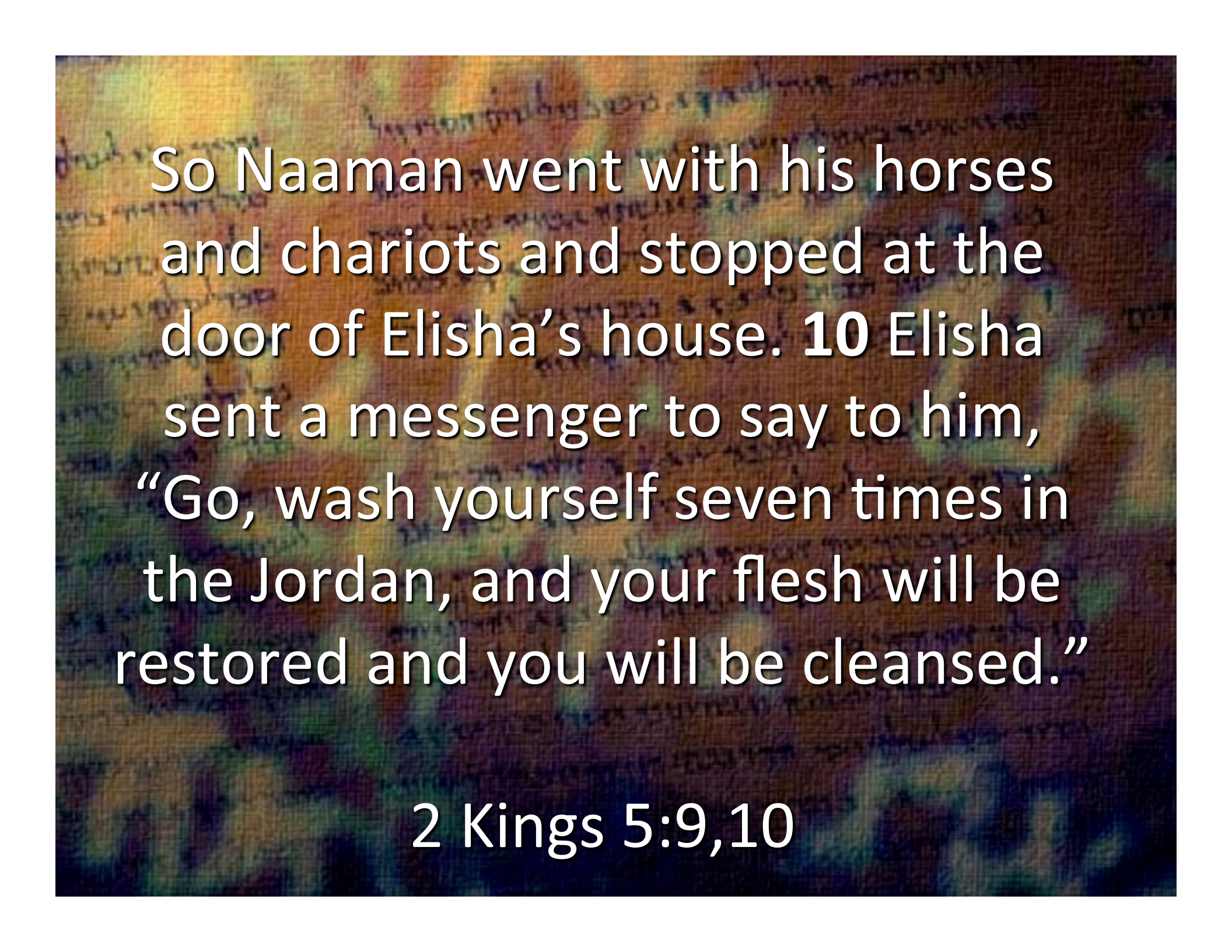


**Why is the risen Christ
so ordinary?**

Because God isn't
coming down to
remove us from
human life but to
redeem all human
existence.

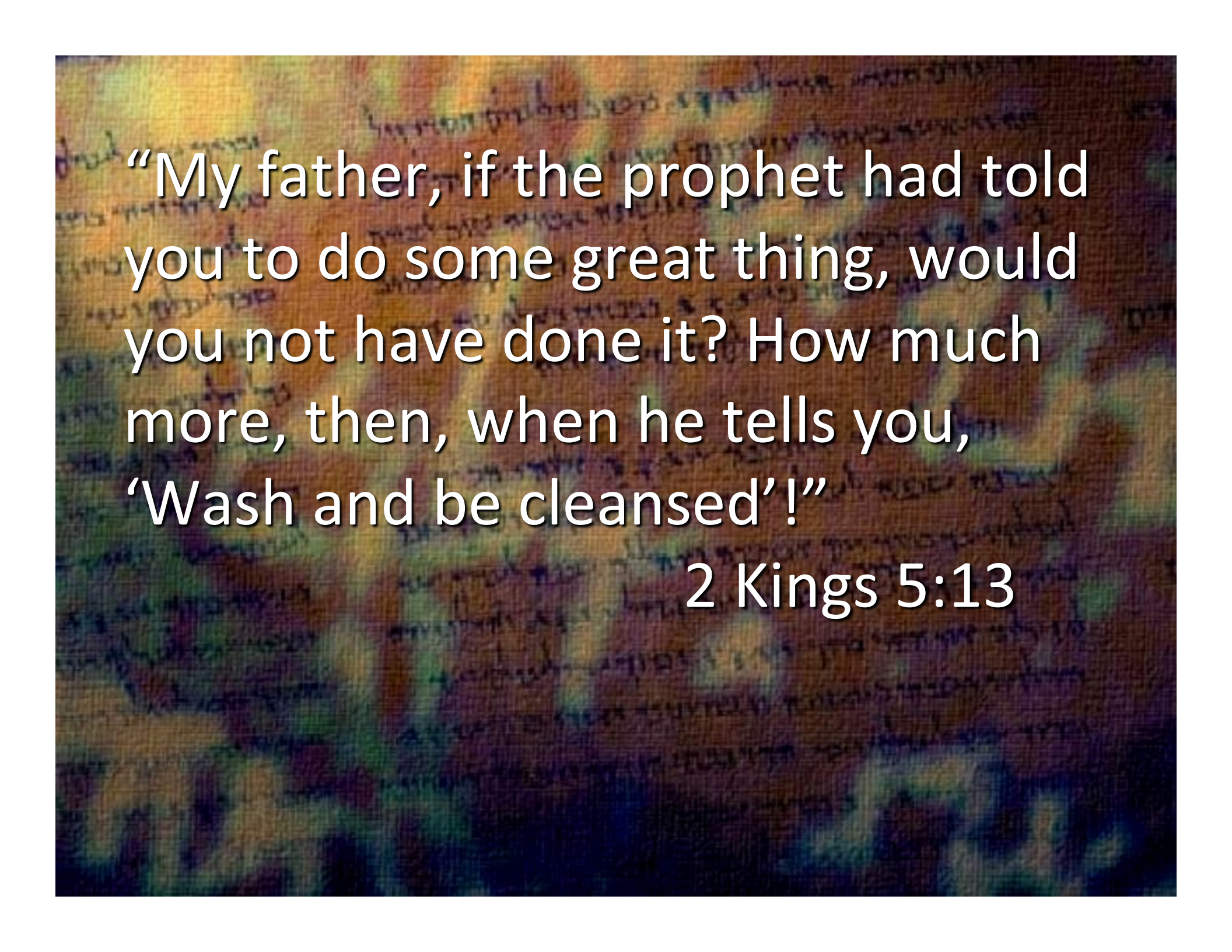


B. The Ordinariness of Jesus
is offensive because it
undermines our
understanding of God's
GRACE



So Naaman went with his horses and chariots and stopped at the door of Elisha's house. **10** Elisha sent a messenger to say to him, "Go, wash yourself seven times in the Jordan, and your flesh will be restored and you will be cleansed."

2 Kings 5:9,10



“My father, if the prophet had told you to do some great thing, would you not have done it? How much more, then, when he tells you, ‘Wash and be cleansed’!”

2 Kings 5:13

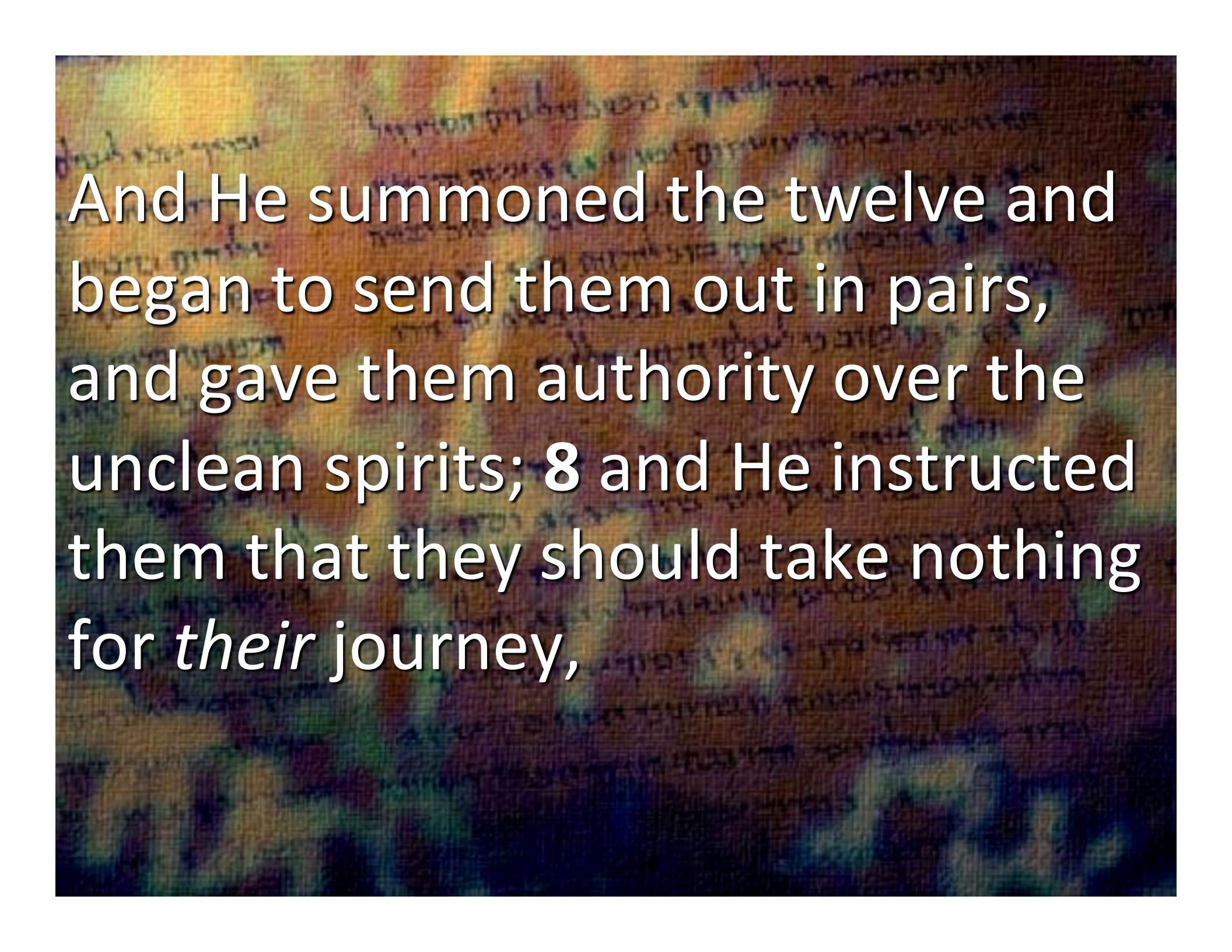




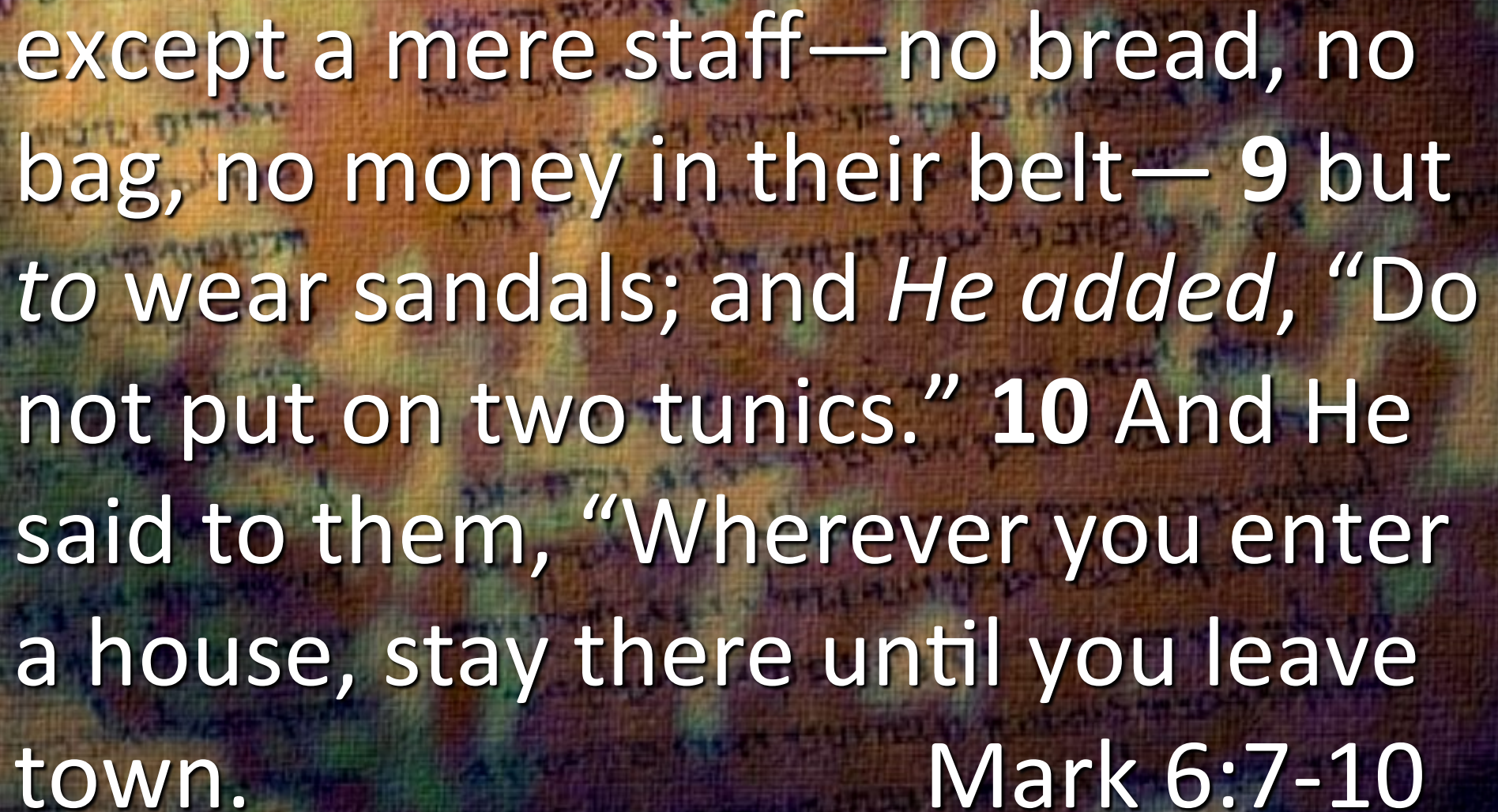
Matthew 11:6

And blessed is he who
does not take offense at
Me.”





And He summoned the twelve and began to send them out in pairs, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits; **8** and He instructed them that they should take nothing for *their* journey,

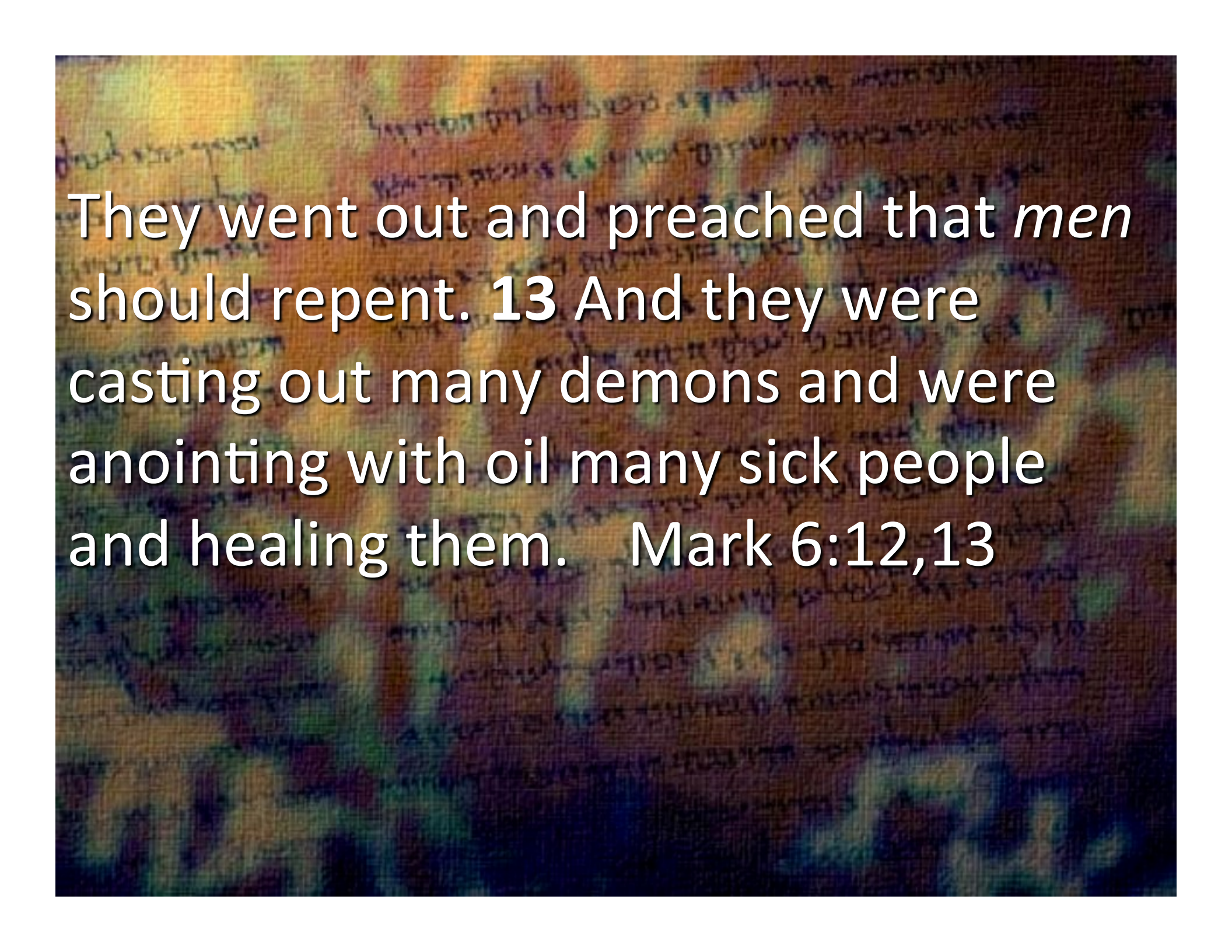


except a mere staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belt— **9** but to wear sandals; and *He added*, “Do not put on two tunics.” **10** And He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave town.

Mark 6:7-10

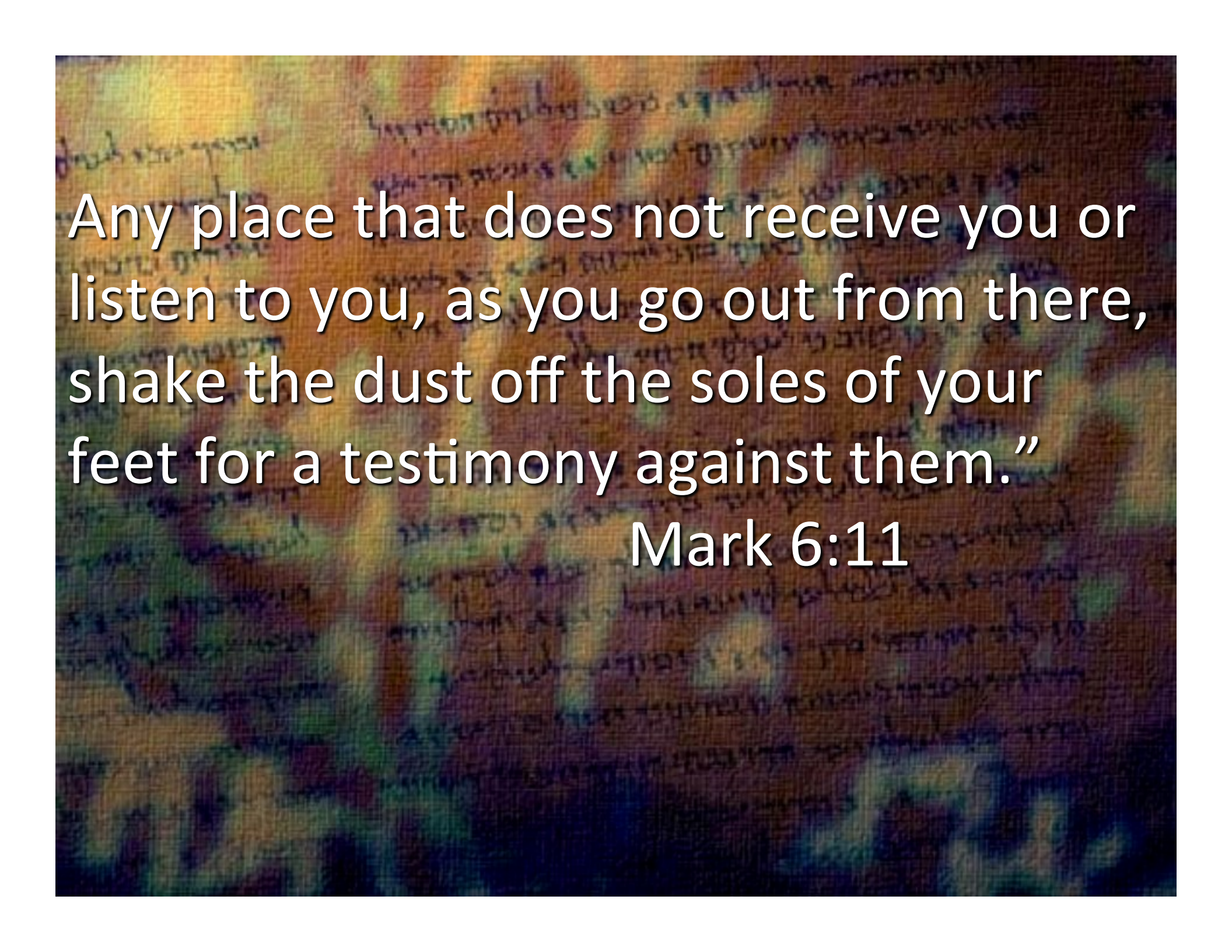
1. No WAR CHEST

2. They don't just
go talking they go
IN ACTION.



They went out and preached that *men* should repent. **13** And they were casting out many demons and were anointing with oil many sick people and healing them. Mark 6:12,13

3. But in spite of the fact
they went serving, they
were going to
GET REJECTION



Any place that does not receive you or listen to you, as you go out from there, shake the dust off the soles of your feet for a testimony against them.”

Mark 6:11

You know throughout church history Christians have spoken the most exclusive message the world has ever heard, but on the other hand the church historically, has been the most inclusive acting people the world has ever seen. The most exclusive sounding people but also the most inclusive acting people they'd ever seen.

Author and pastor Tim Keller





where do you get
the power to be
exclusive sounding
but inclusive acting?

“Where did this man get these things?” they asked. “What’s this wisdom that has been given him?”

What are these remarkable miracles he is performing? 3 Isn’t this the carpenter?

Isn’t this Mary’s son?

Mark 6:2,3





