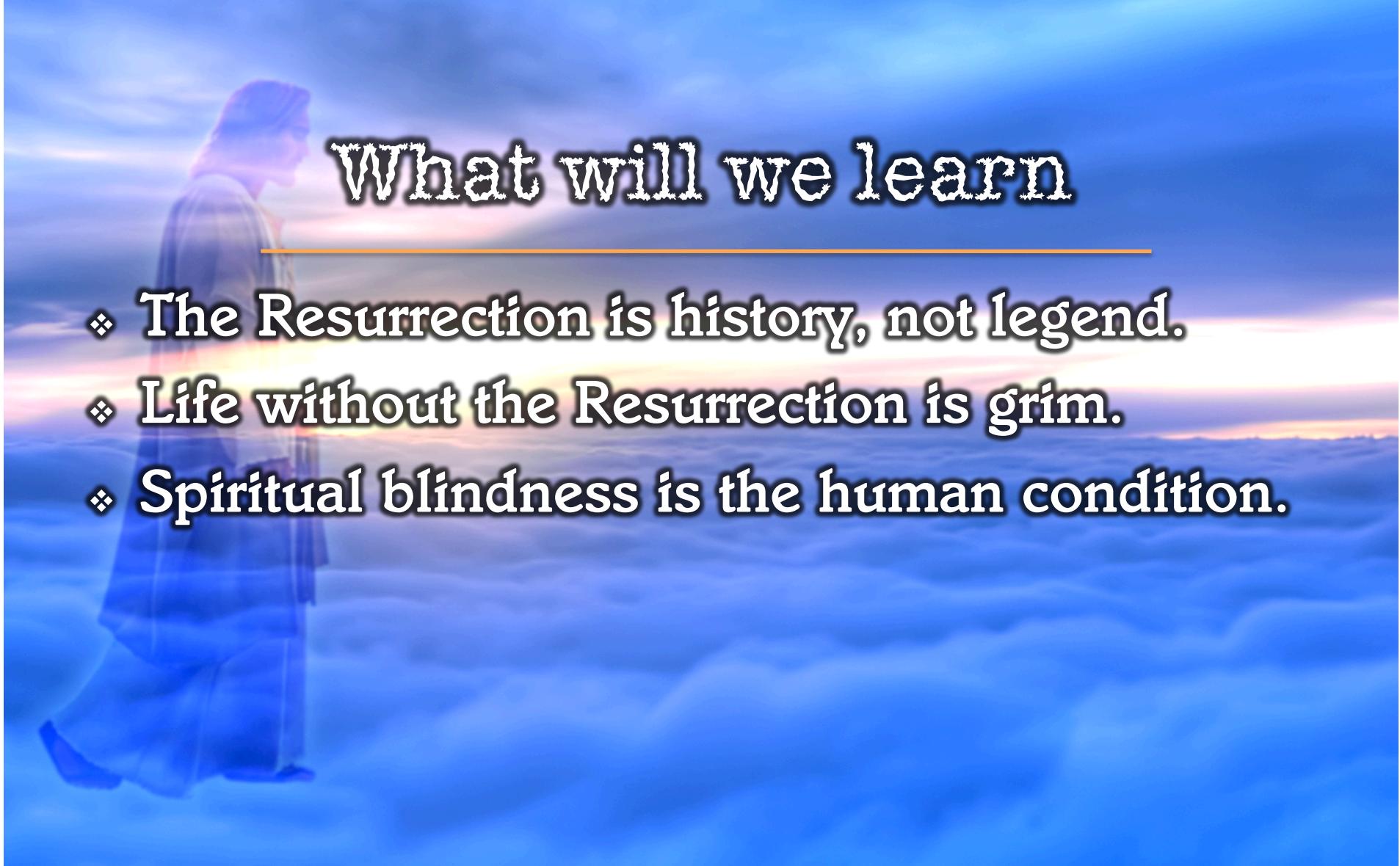




**Easter Afternoon**  
**Luke 24:13-53**

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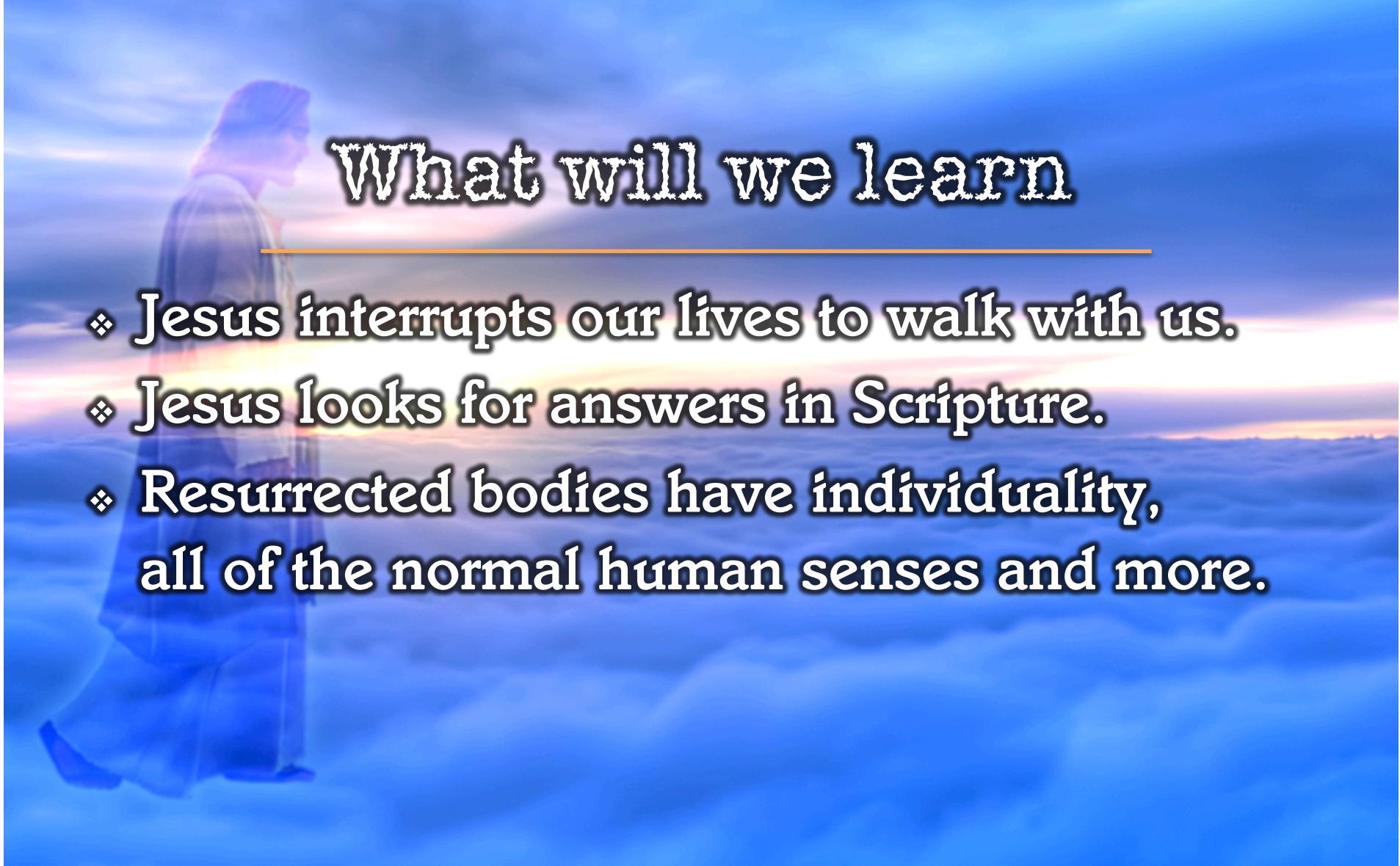
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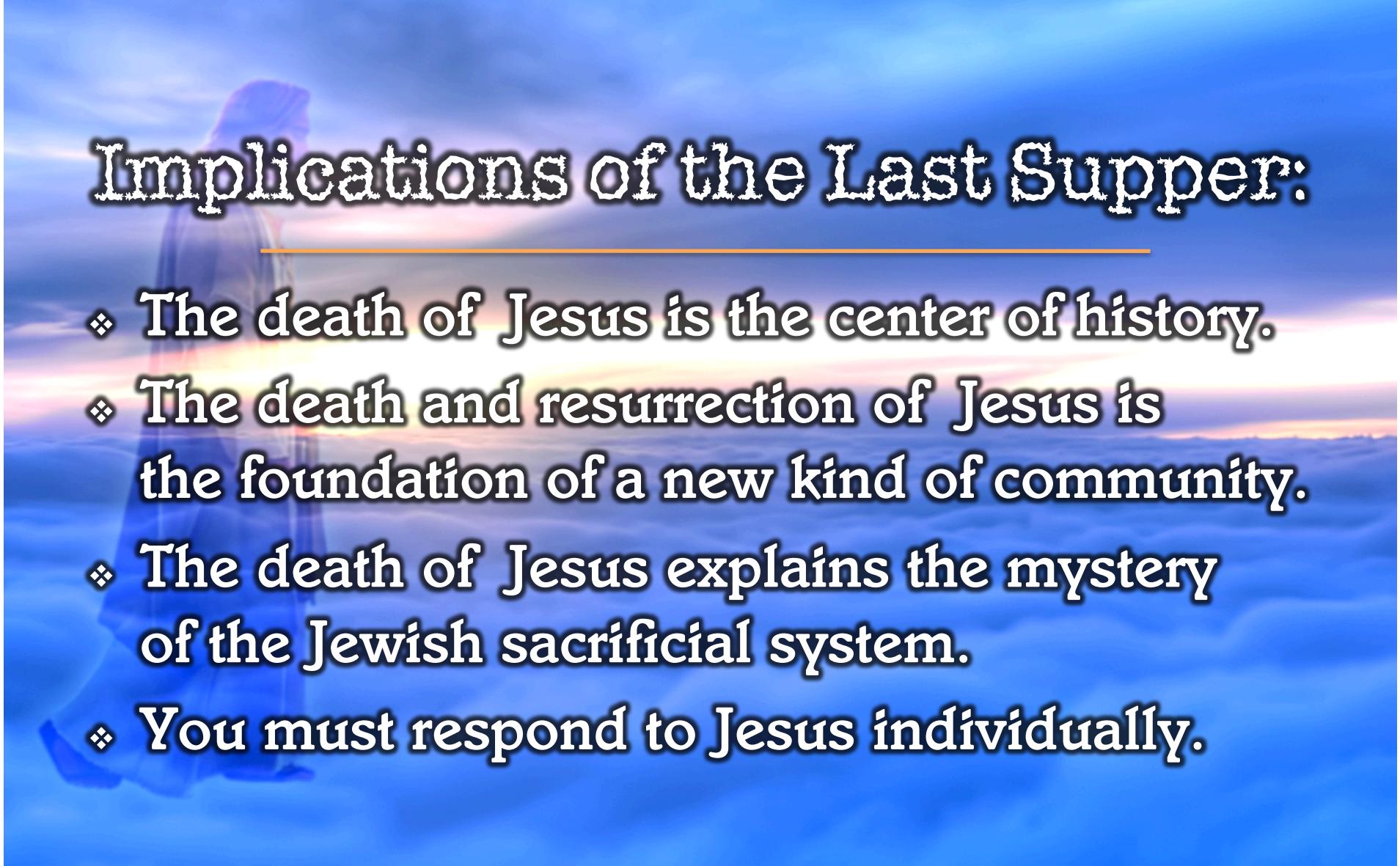
- ❖ The Resurrection is history, not legend.
- ❖ Life without the Resurrection is grim.
- ❖ Spiritual blindness is the human condition.



## What will we learn

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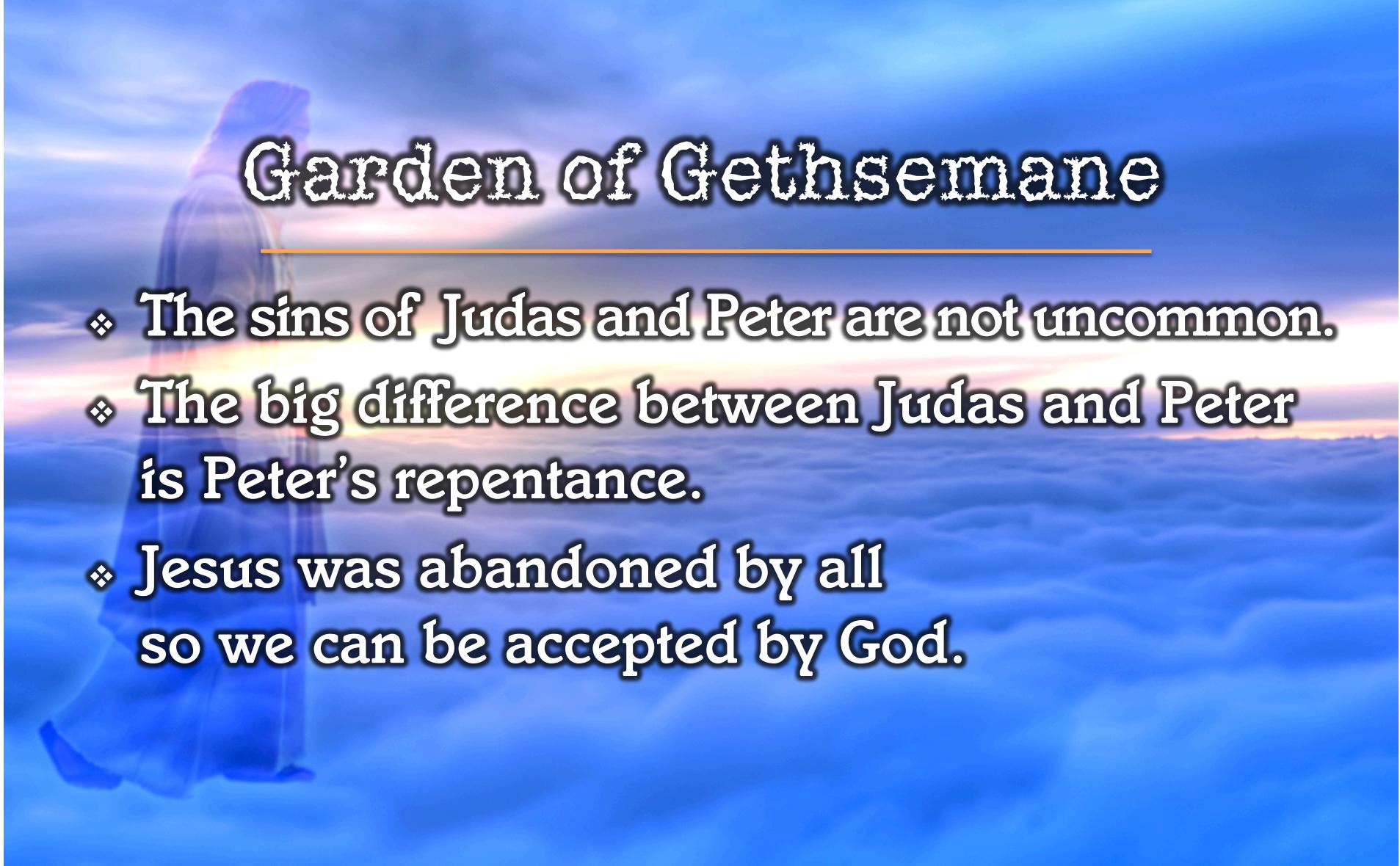
- ❖ Jesus interrupts our lives to walk with us.
- ❖ Jesus looks for answers in Scripture.
- ❖ Resurrected bodies have individuality, all of the normal human senses and more.



## **Implications of the Last Supper:**

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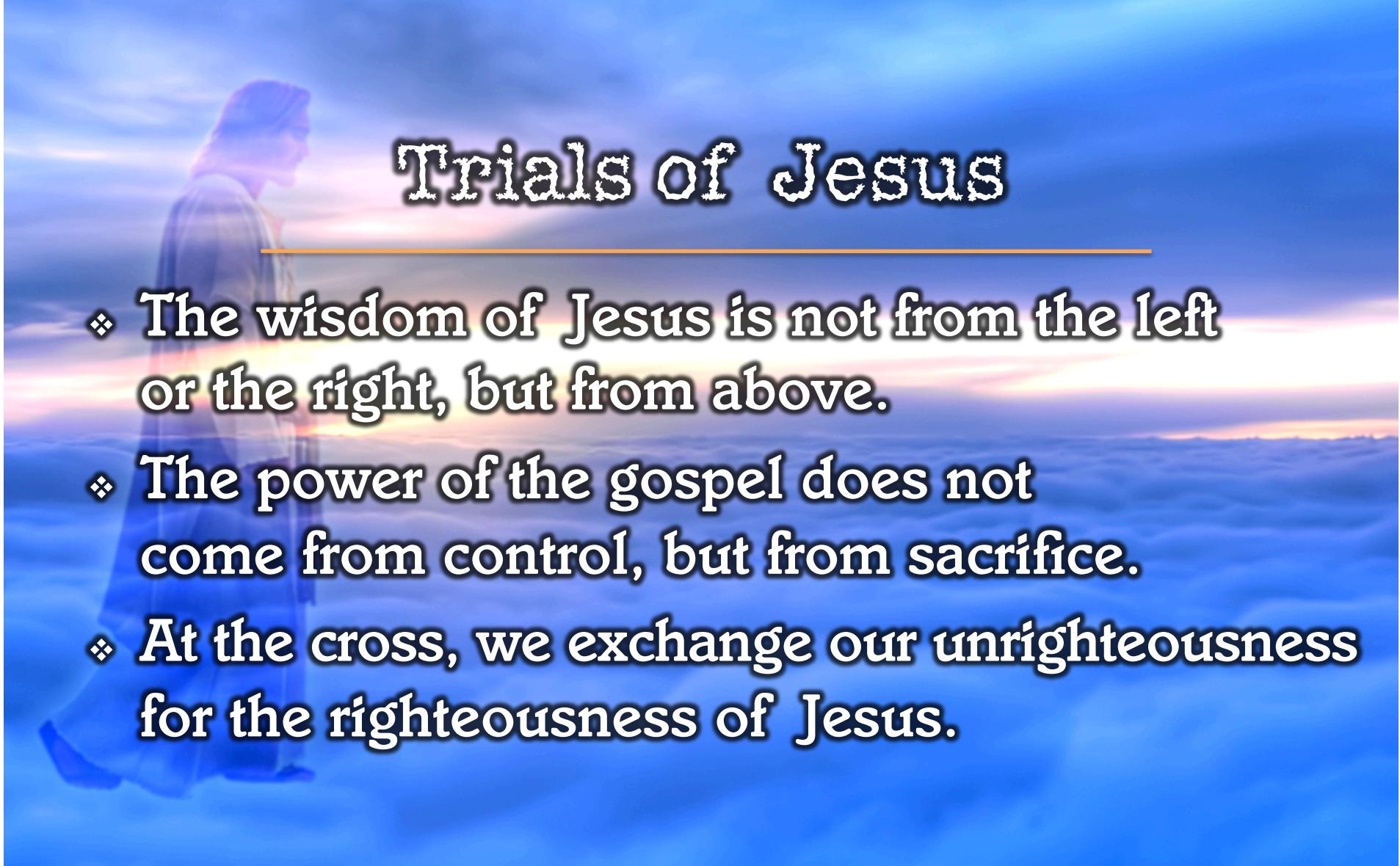
- ❖ The death of Jesus is the center of history.
- ❖ The death and resurrection of Jesus is the foundation of a new kind of community.
- ❖ The death of Jesus explains the mystery of the Jewish sacrificial system.
- ❖ You must respond to Jesus individually.



# Garden of Gethsemane

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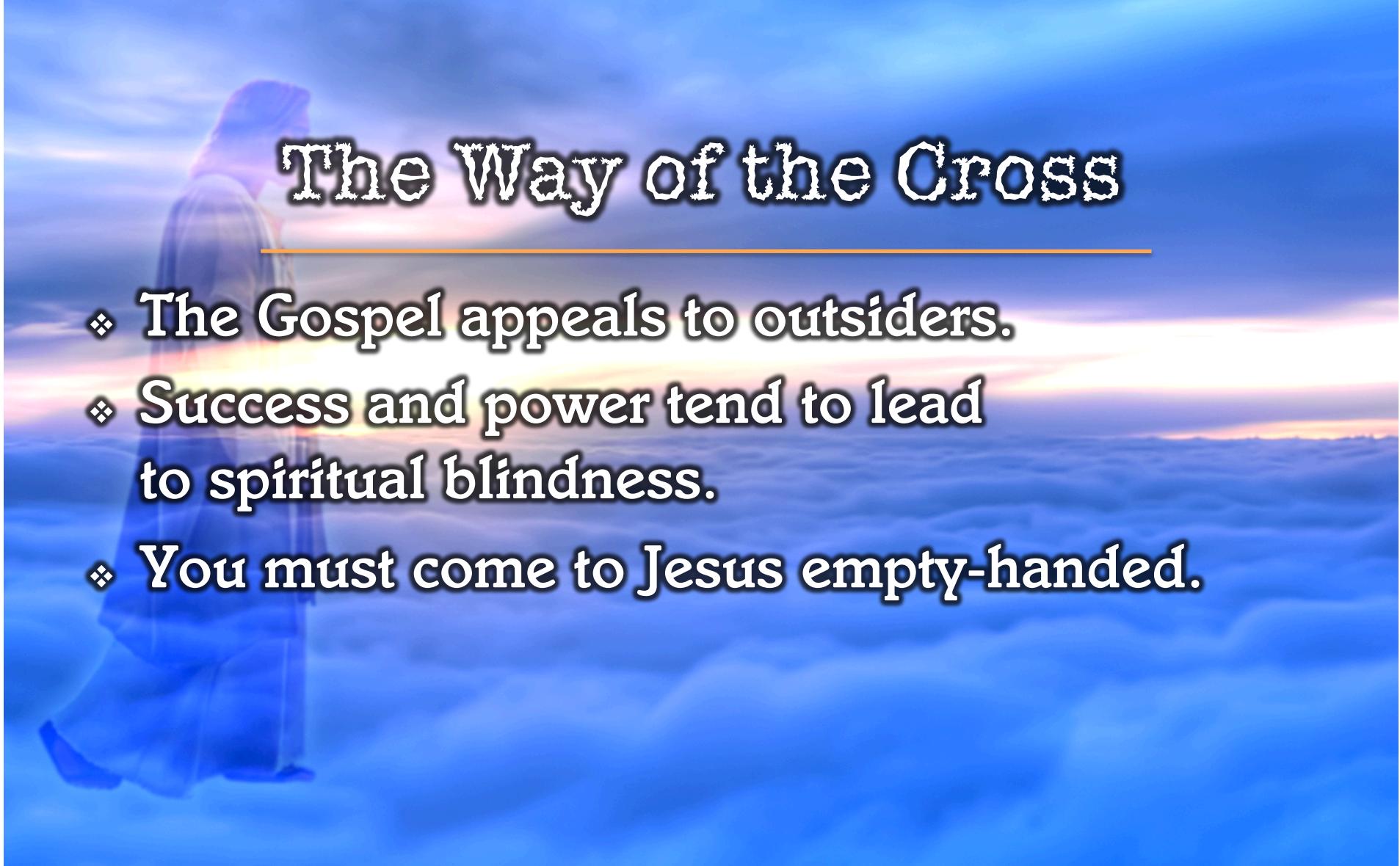
- ❖ The sins of Judas and Peter are not uncommon.
- ❖ The big difference between Judas and Peter is Peter's repentance.
- ❖ Jesus was abandoned by all so we can be accepted by God.



## **Trials of Jesus**

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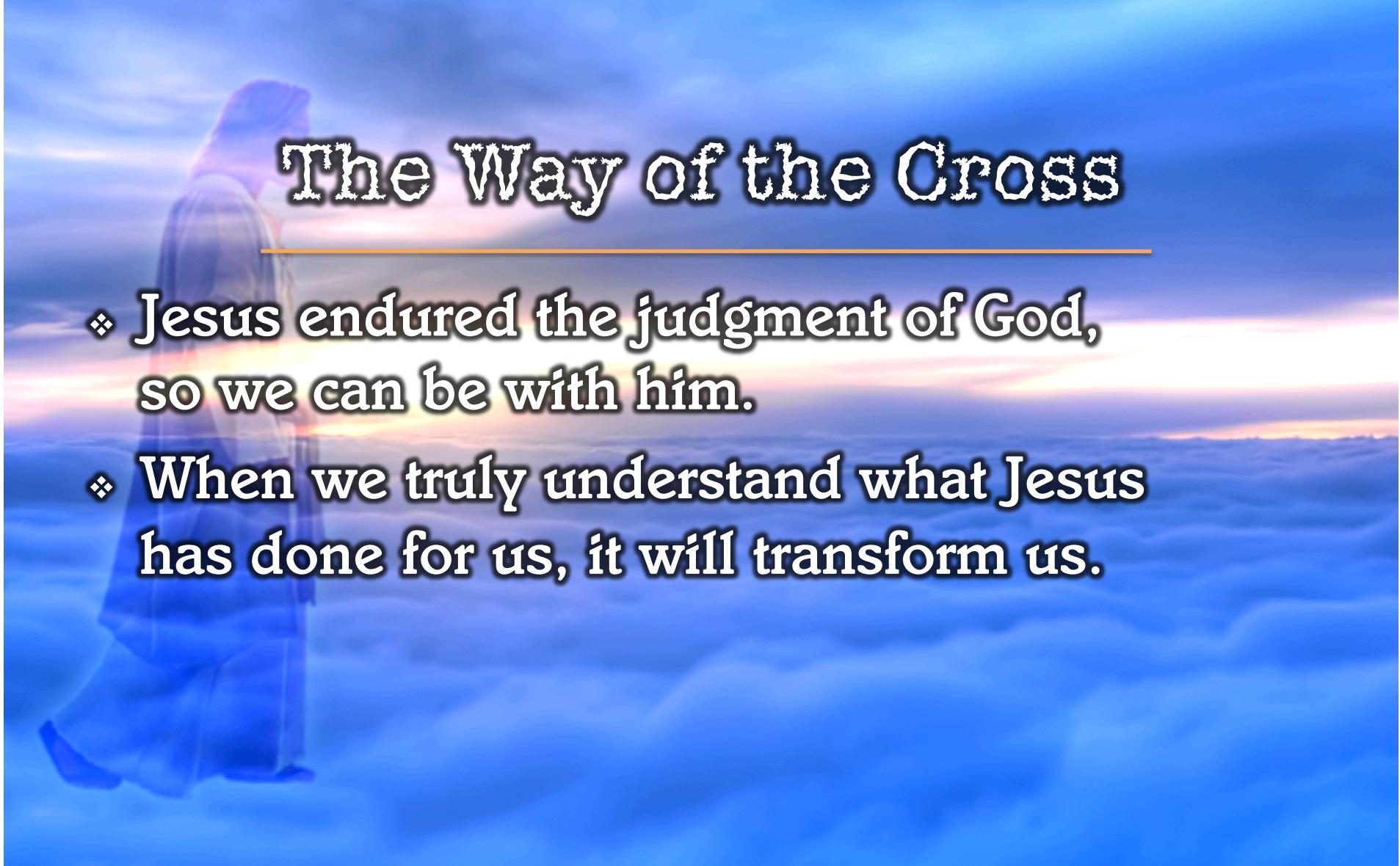
- ❖ The wisdom of Jesus is not from the left or the right, but from above.
- ❖ The power of the gospel does not come from control, but from sacrifice.
- ❖ At the cross, we exchange our unrighteousness for the righteousness of Jesus.



# The Way of the Cross

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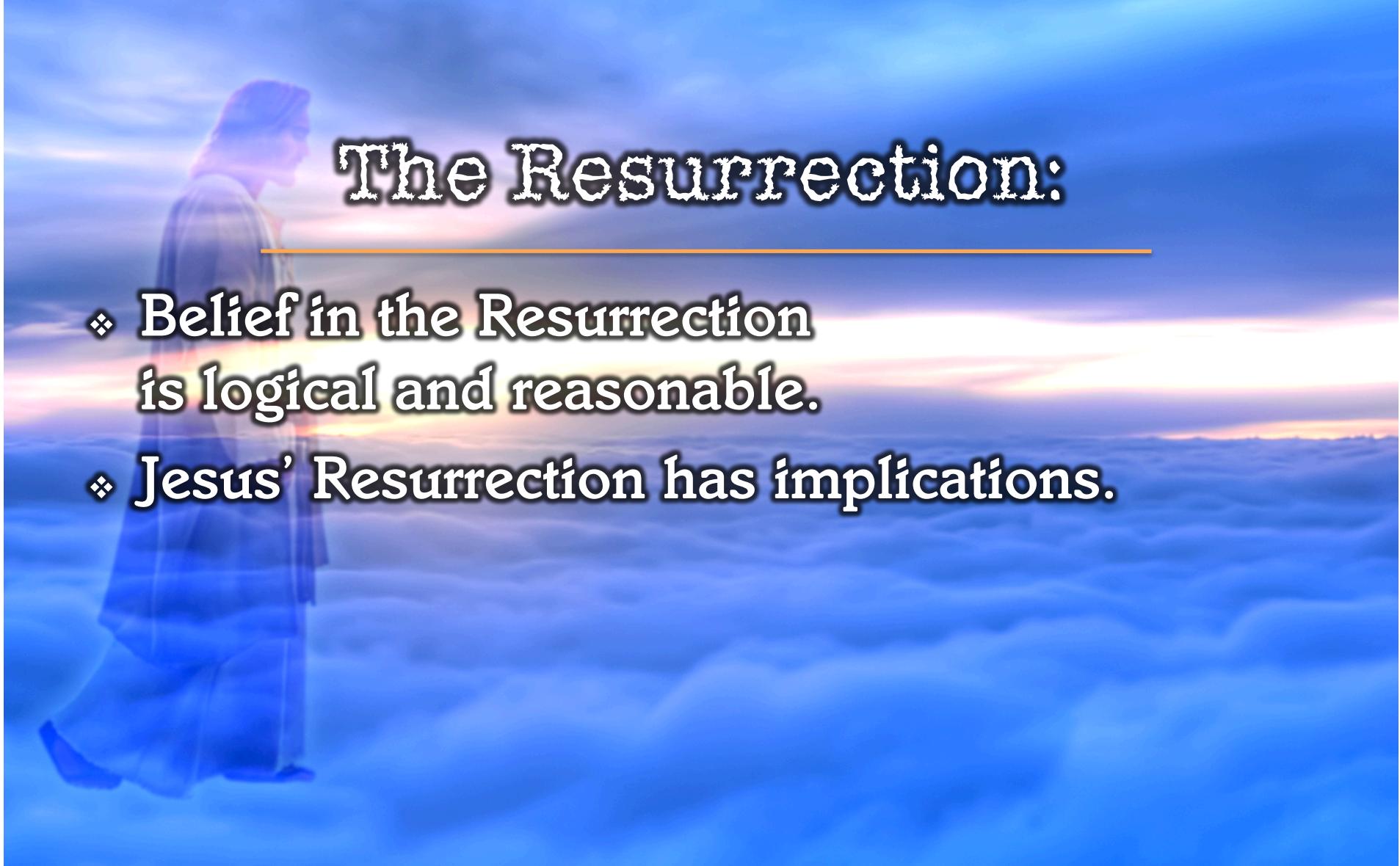
- ❖ The Gospel appeals to outsiders.
- ❖ Success and power tend to lead to spiritual blindness.
- ❖ You must come to Jesus empty-handed.



# The Way of the Cross

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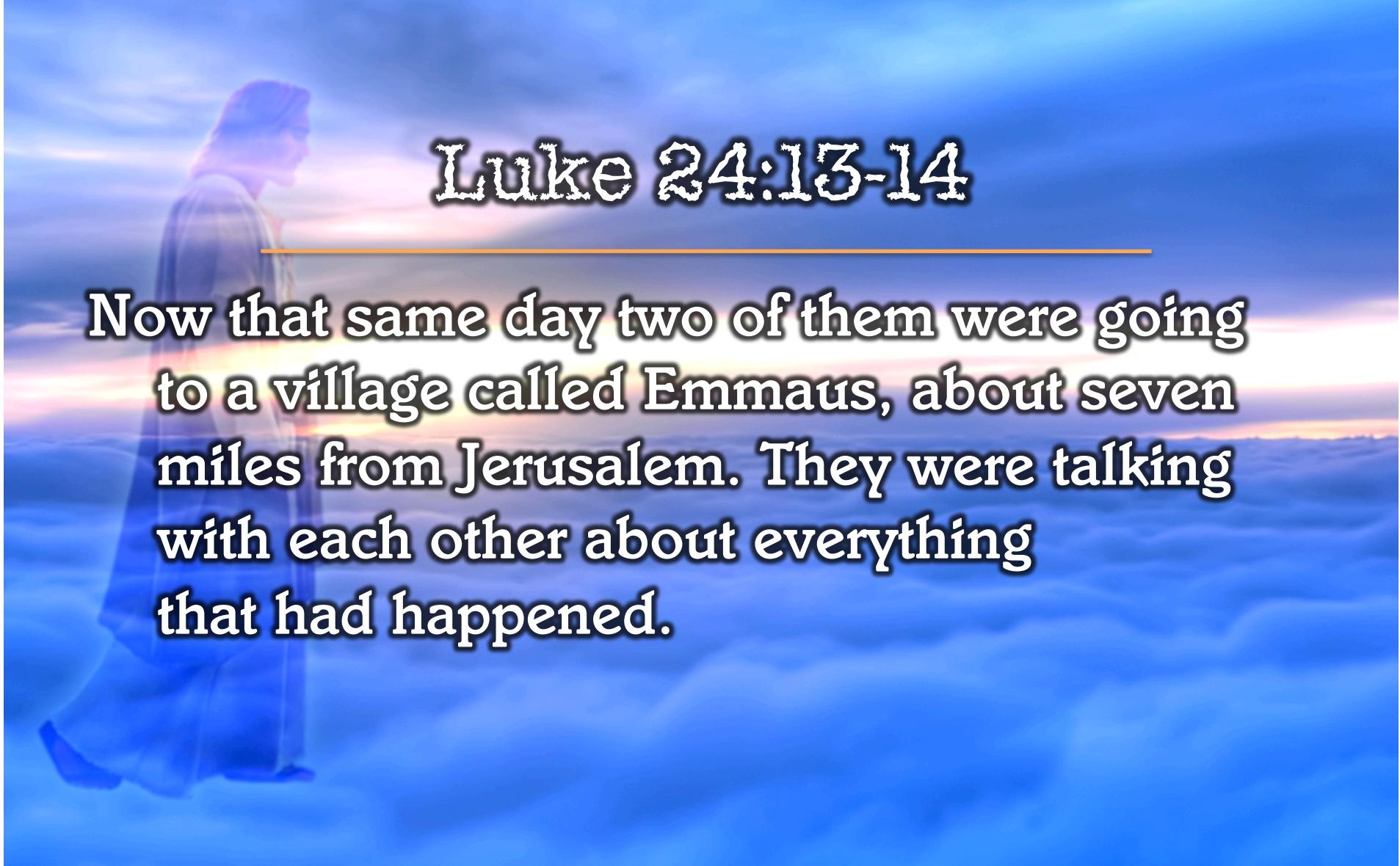
- ❖ Jesus endured the judgment of God, so we can be with him.
- ❖ When we truly understand what Jesus has done for us, it will transform us.



# The Resurrection:

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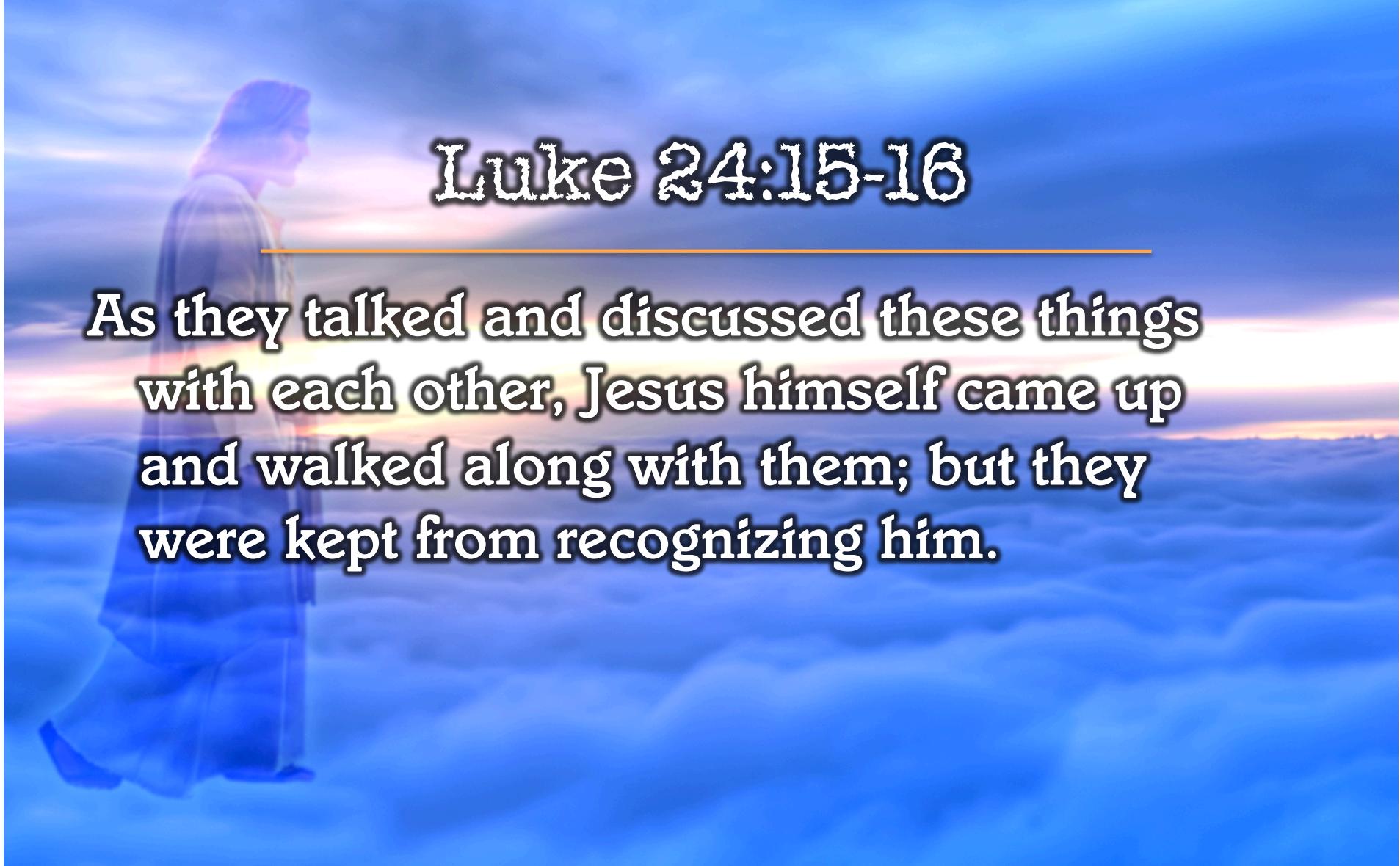
- ❖ Belief in the Resurrection is logical and reasonable.
- ❖ Jesus' Resurrection has implications.



## Luke 24:13-14

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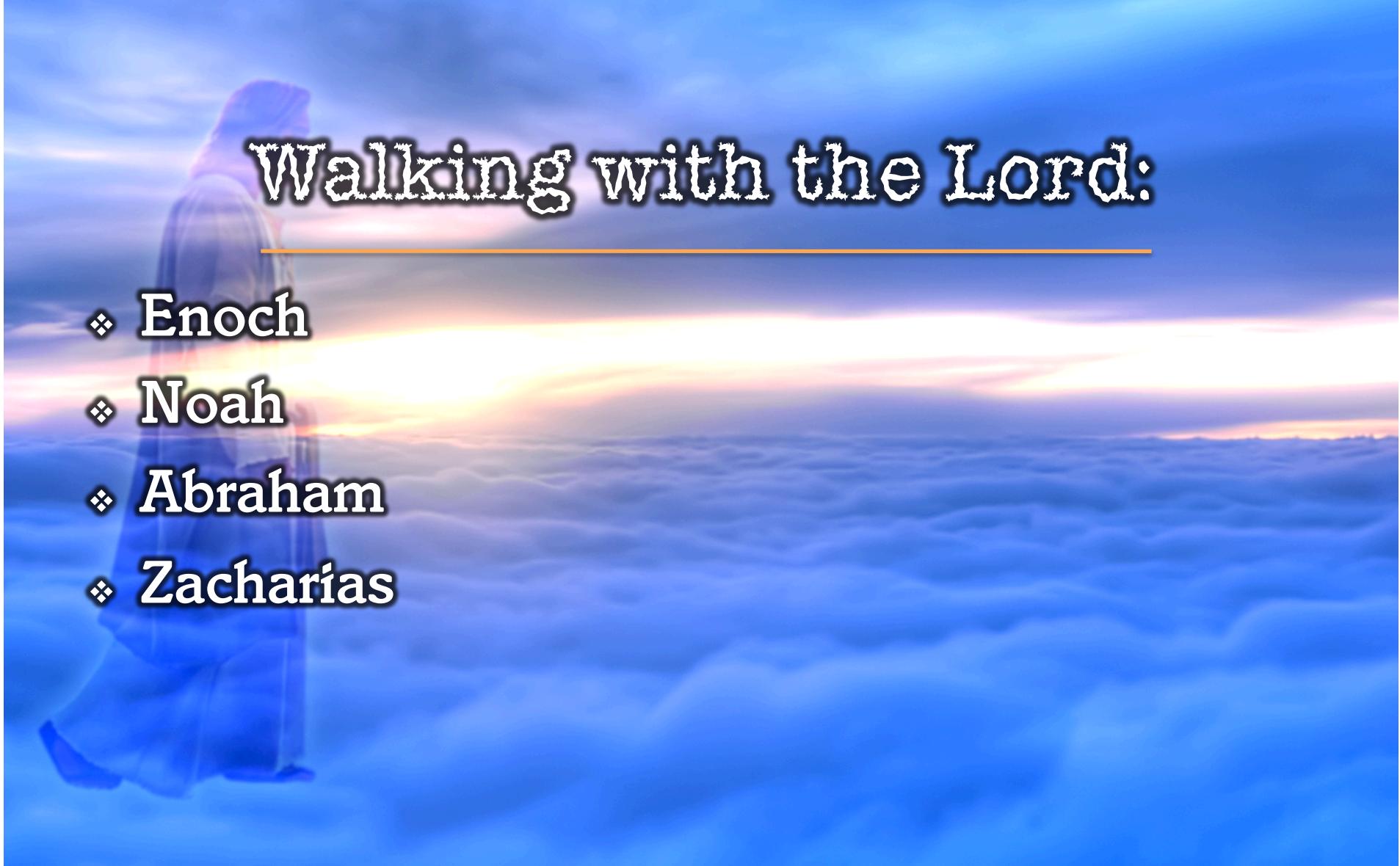
**Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. They were talking with each other about everything that had happened.**

A silhouette of Jesus walking on water at sunset. He is wearing a long robe and sandals. The background shows a beautiful sunset over a calm sea.

## Luke 24:15-16

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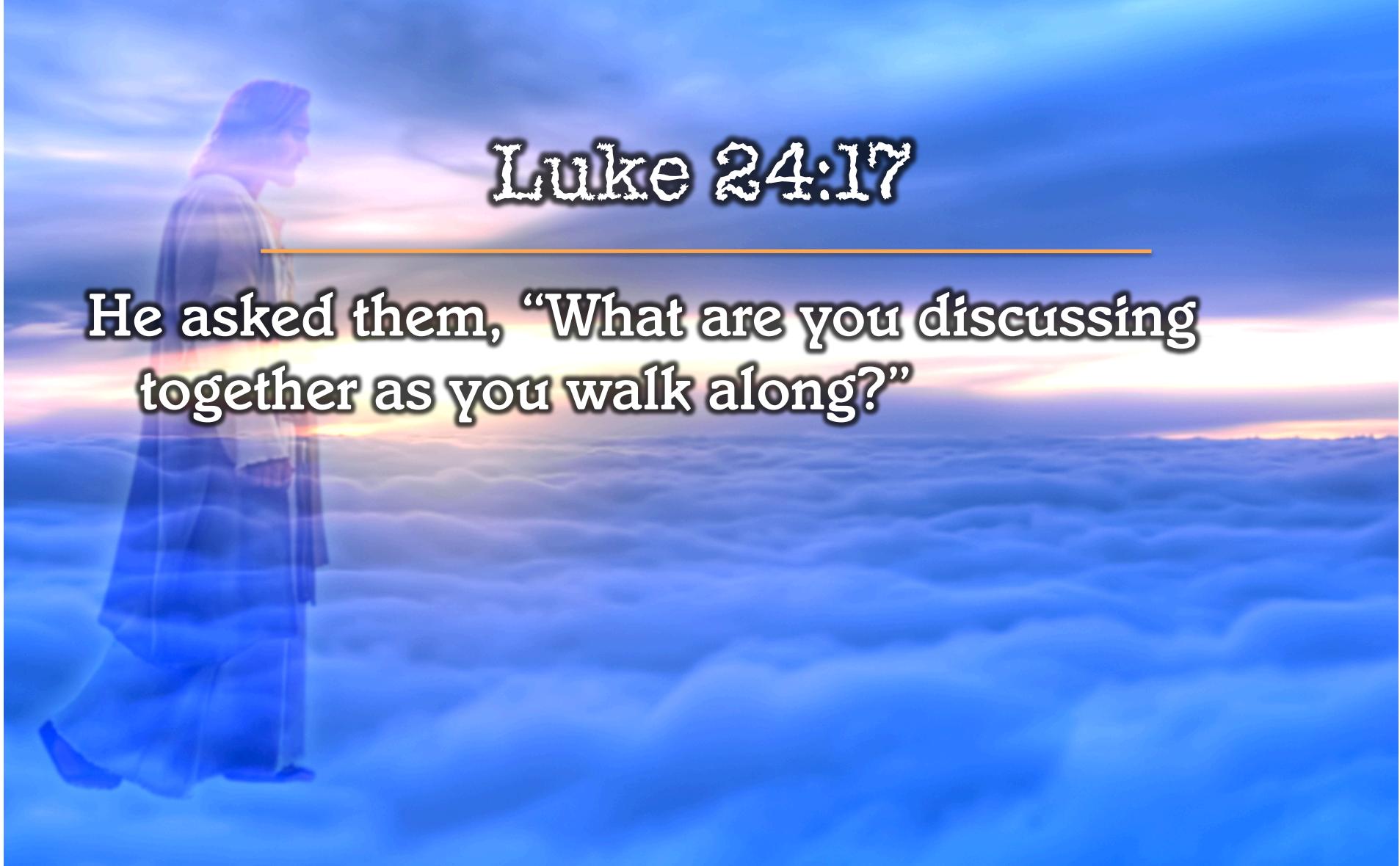
**As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; but they were kept from recognizing him.**

A photograph of a person walking away from the camera on a path through a field of low-hanging clouds. The sky above is a vibrant blue and orange at sunset. The person is wearing a light-colored hoodie and dark pants.

# Walking with the Lord:

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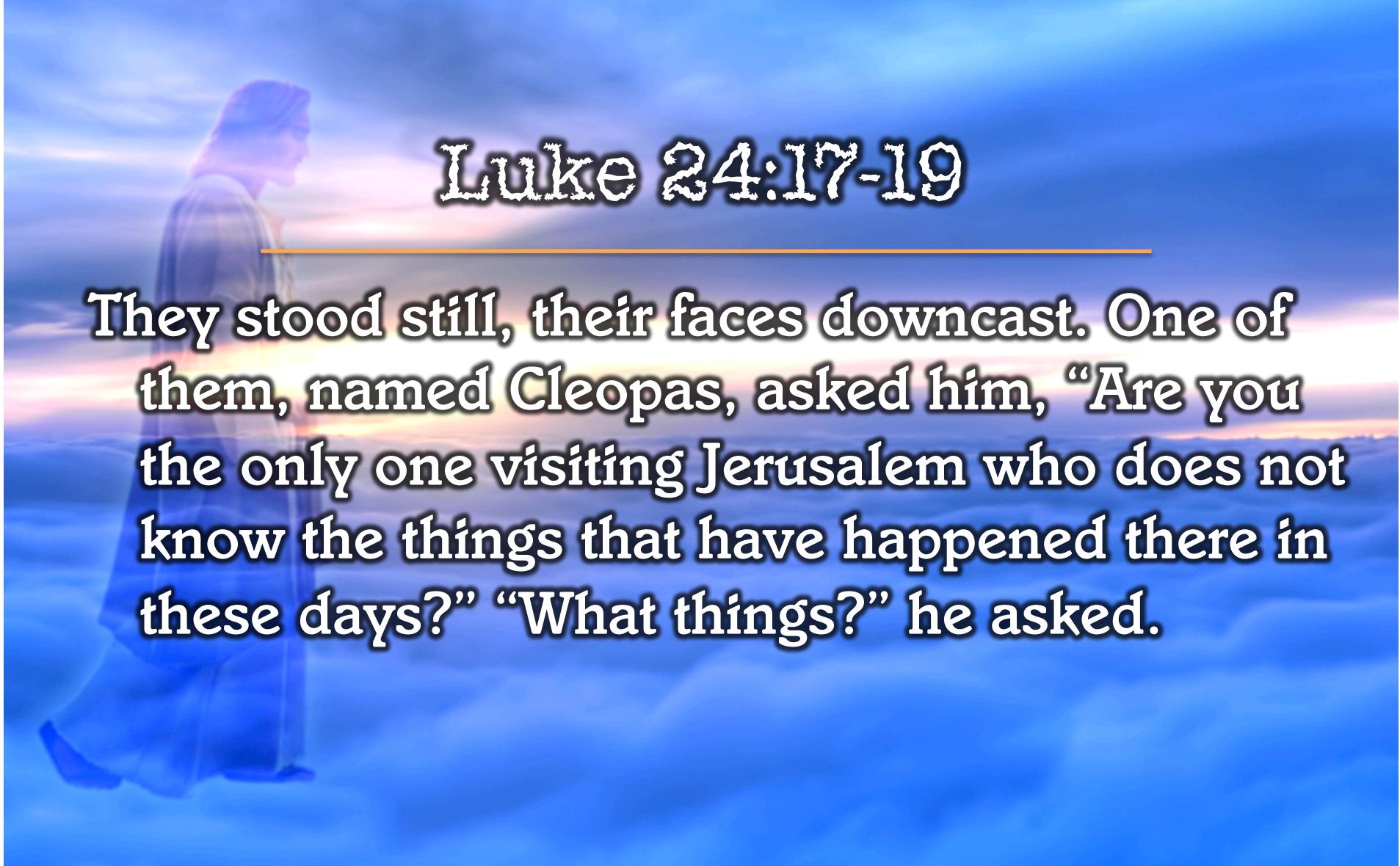
- ❖ Enoch
- ❖ Noah
- ❖ Abraham
- ❖ Zacharias



Luke 24:17

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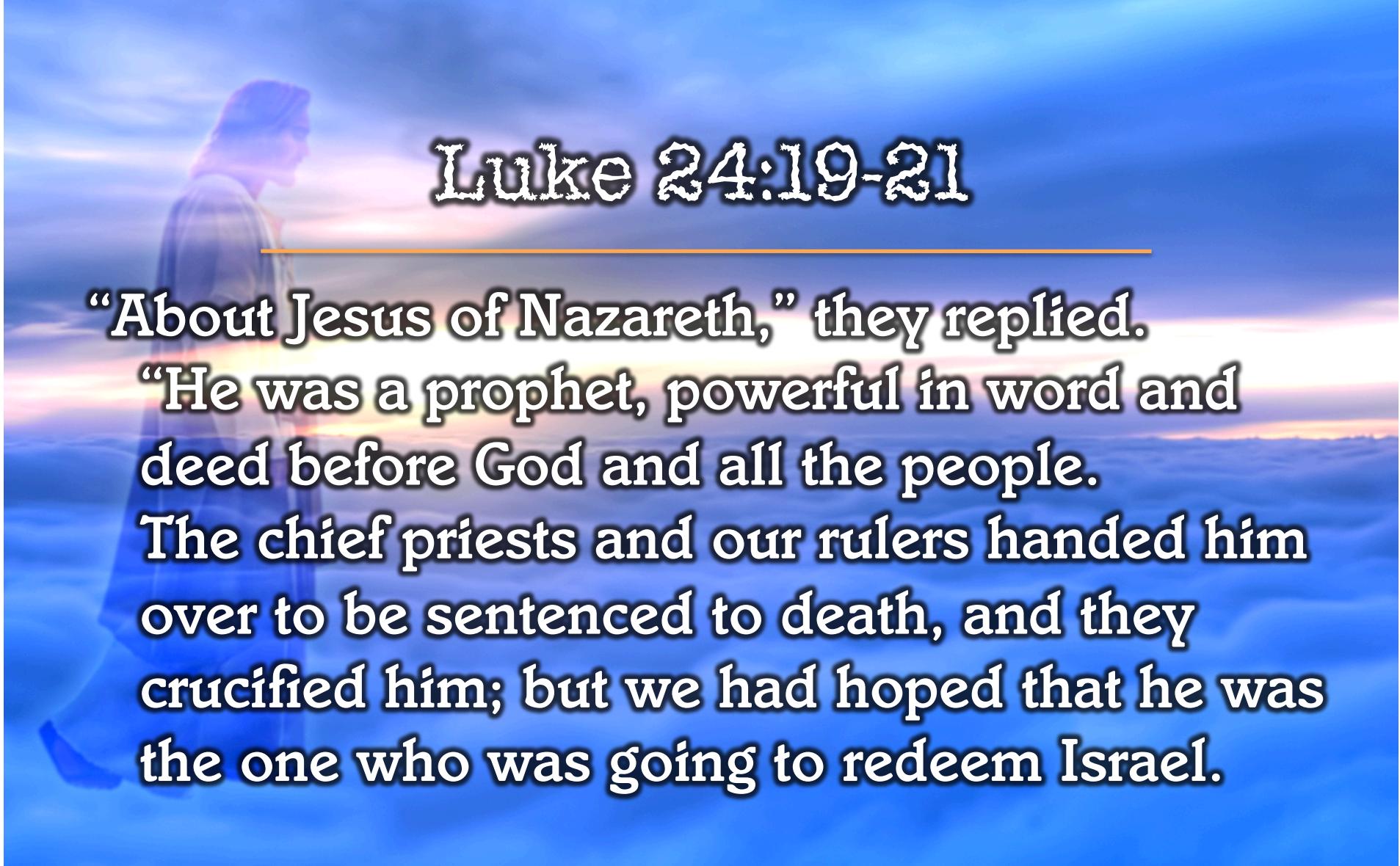
**He asked them, “What are you discussing together as you walk along?”**



## Luke 24:17-19

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**They stood still, their faces downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, “Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?” “What things?” he asked.**



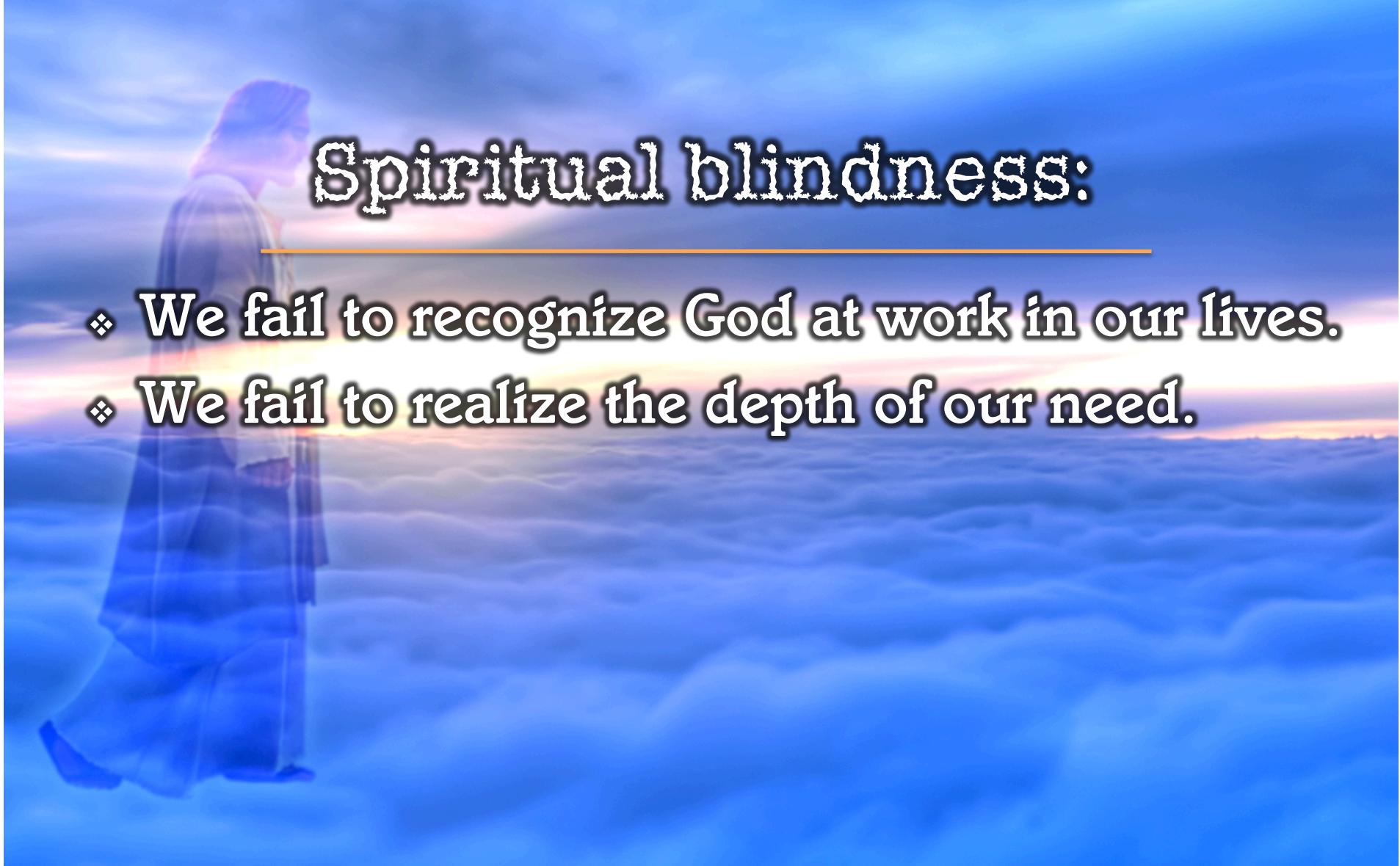
## Luke 24:19-21

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**“About Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied.**

**“He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people.**

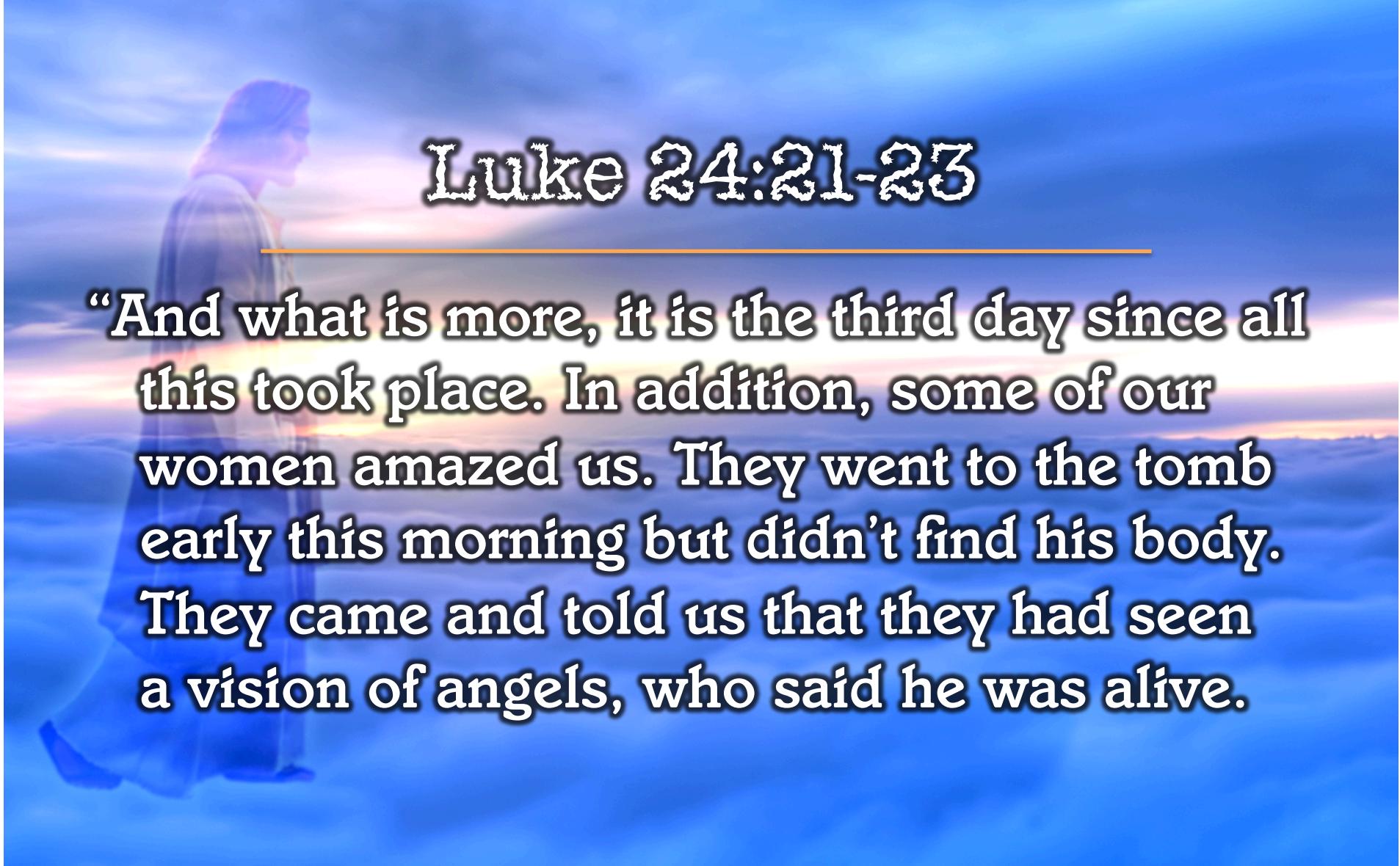
**The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel.**



## Spiritual blindness:

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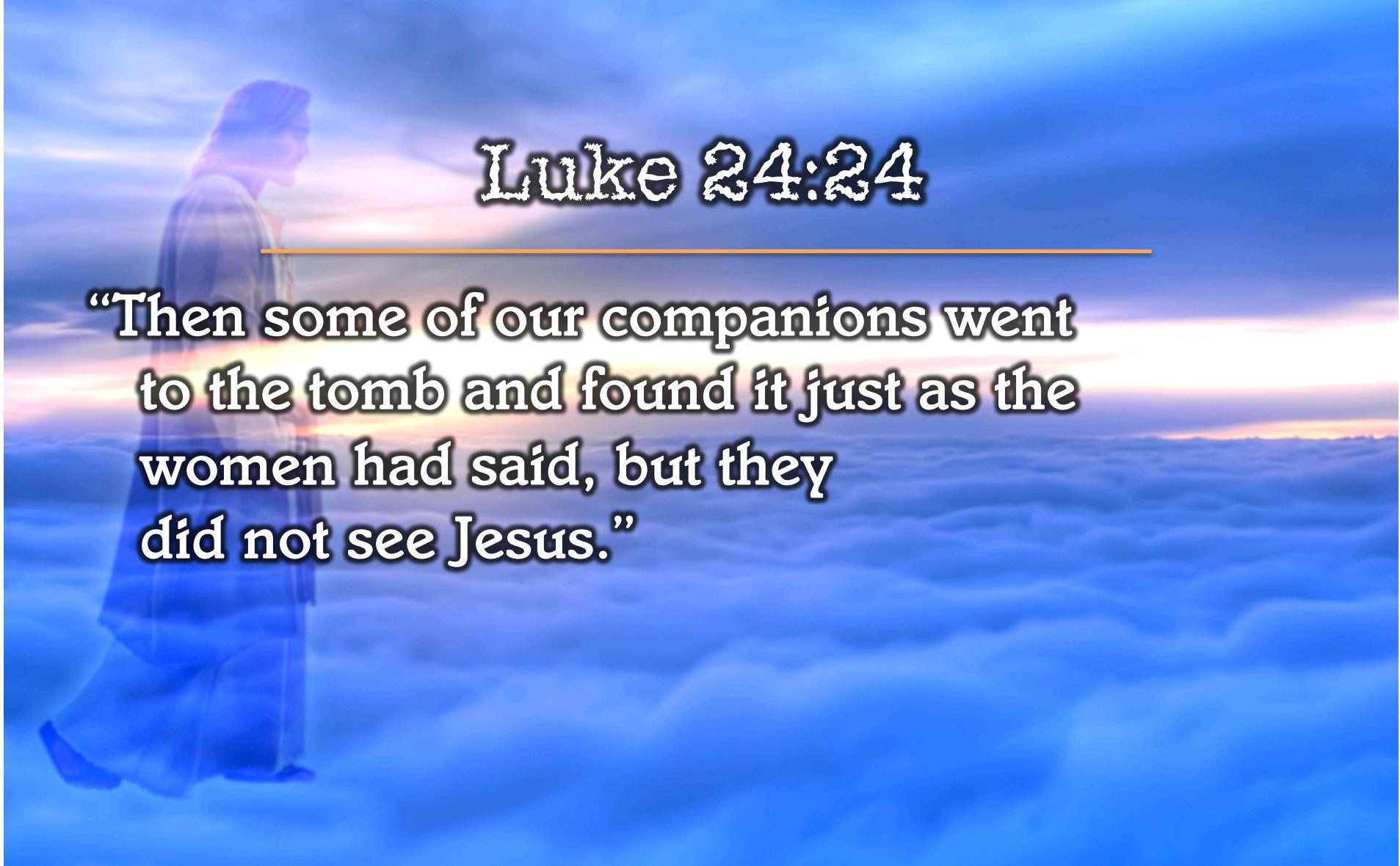
- ❖ We fail to recognize God at work in our lives.
- ❖ We fail to realize the depth of our need.



## Luke 24:21-23

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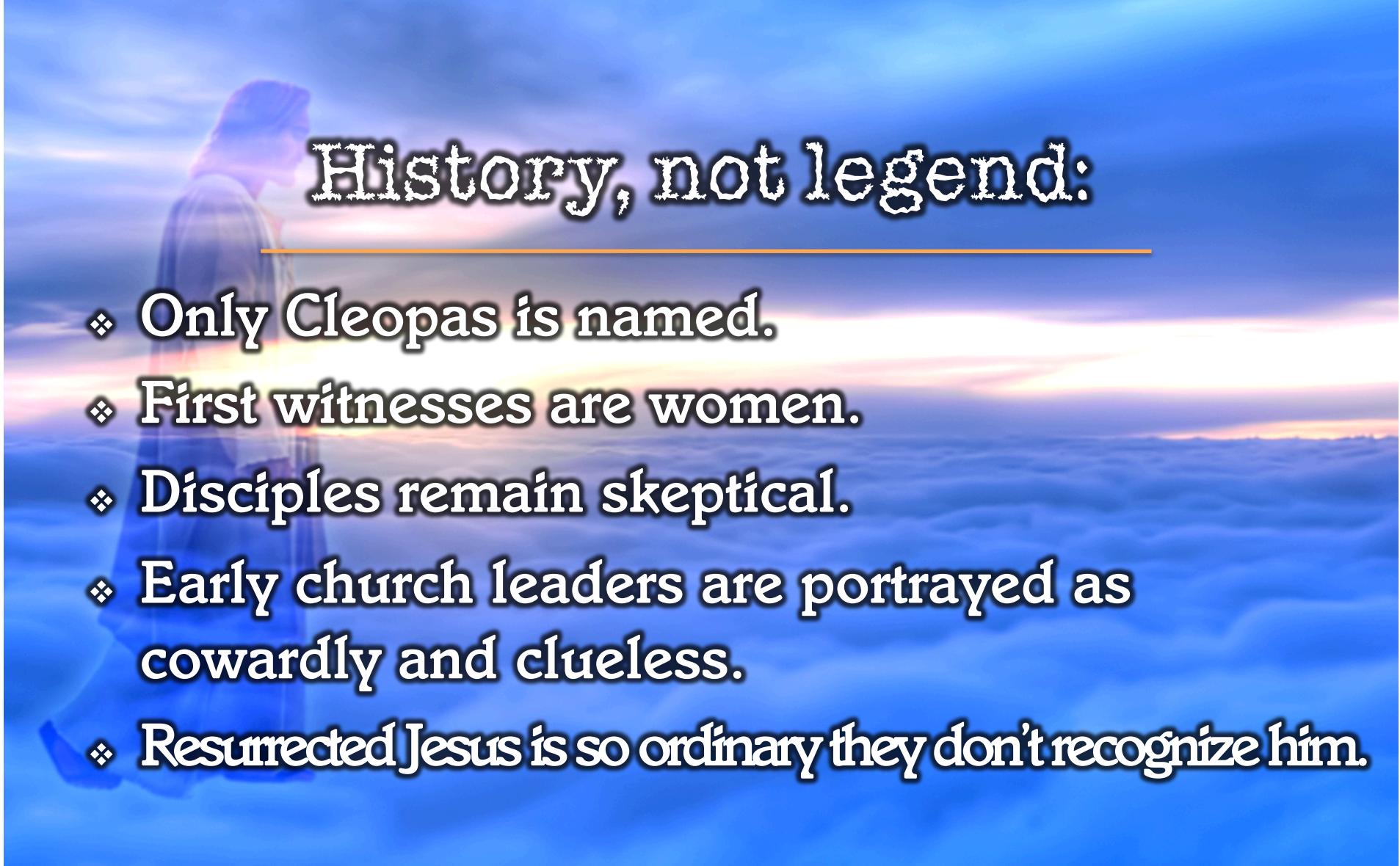
**“And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning but didn’t find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive.**

A photograph of a person walking along a sandy beach towards the horizon. The sky is a vibrant blue and orange, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The ocean waves are visible in the background.

## Luke 24:24

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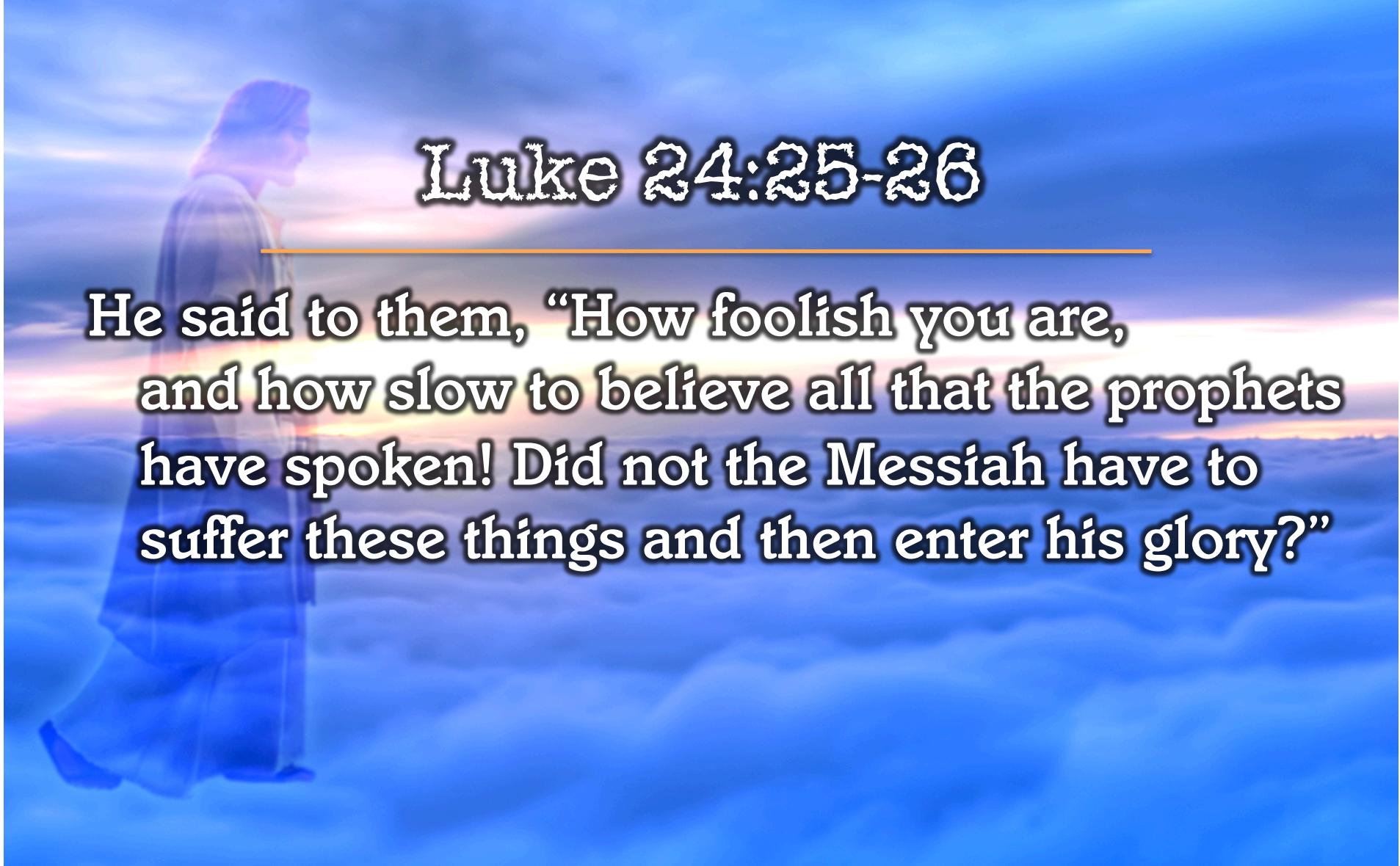
**“Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus.”**



## History, not legend:

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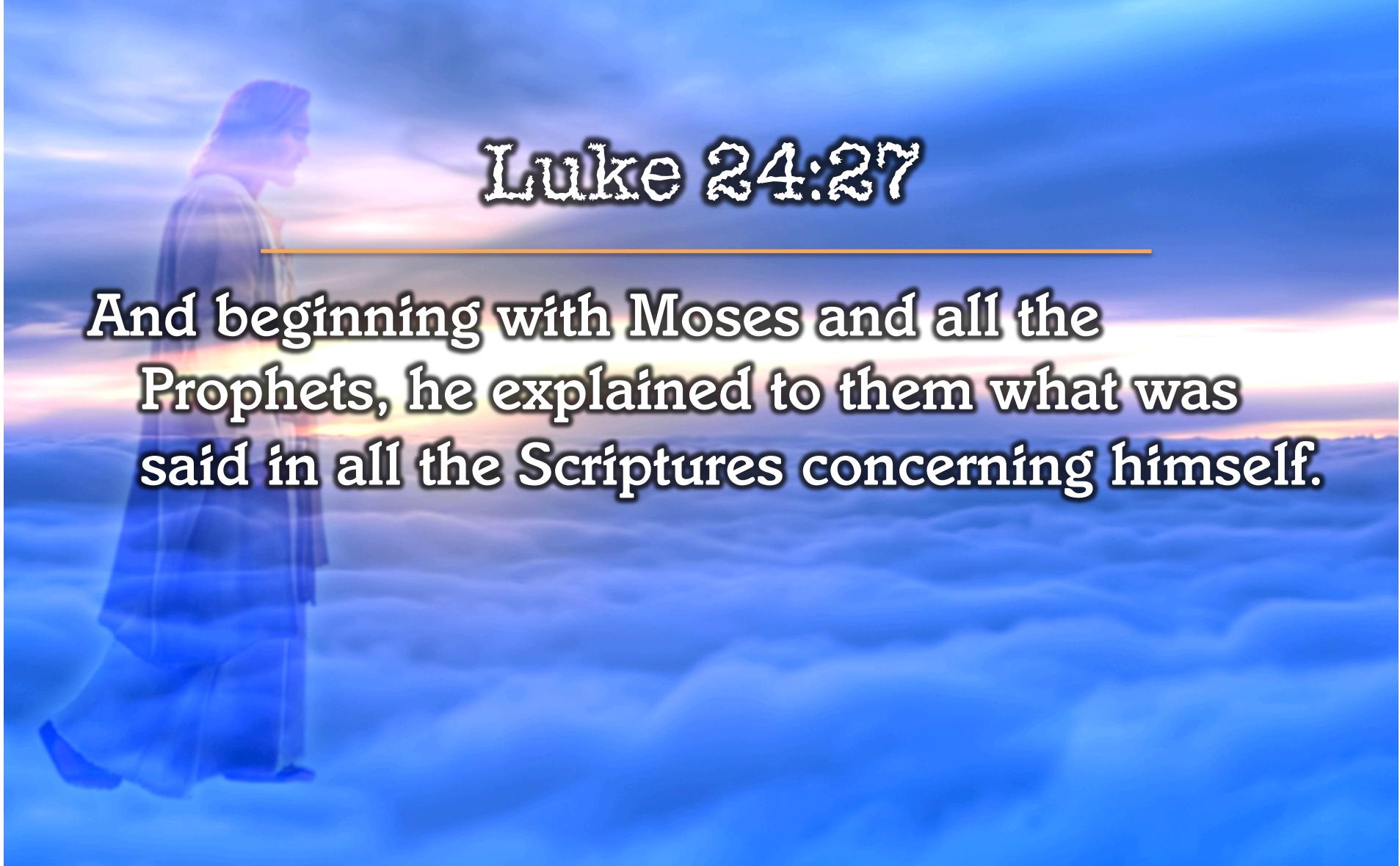
- ❖ Only Cleopas is named.
- ❖ First witnesses are women.
- ❖ Disciples remain skeptical.
- ❖ Early church leaders are portrayed as cowardly and clueless.
- ❖ Resurrected Jesus is so ordinary they don't recognize him.



## Luke 24:25-26

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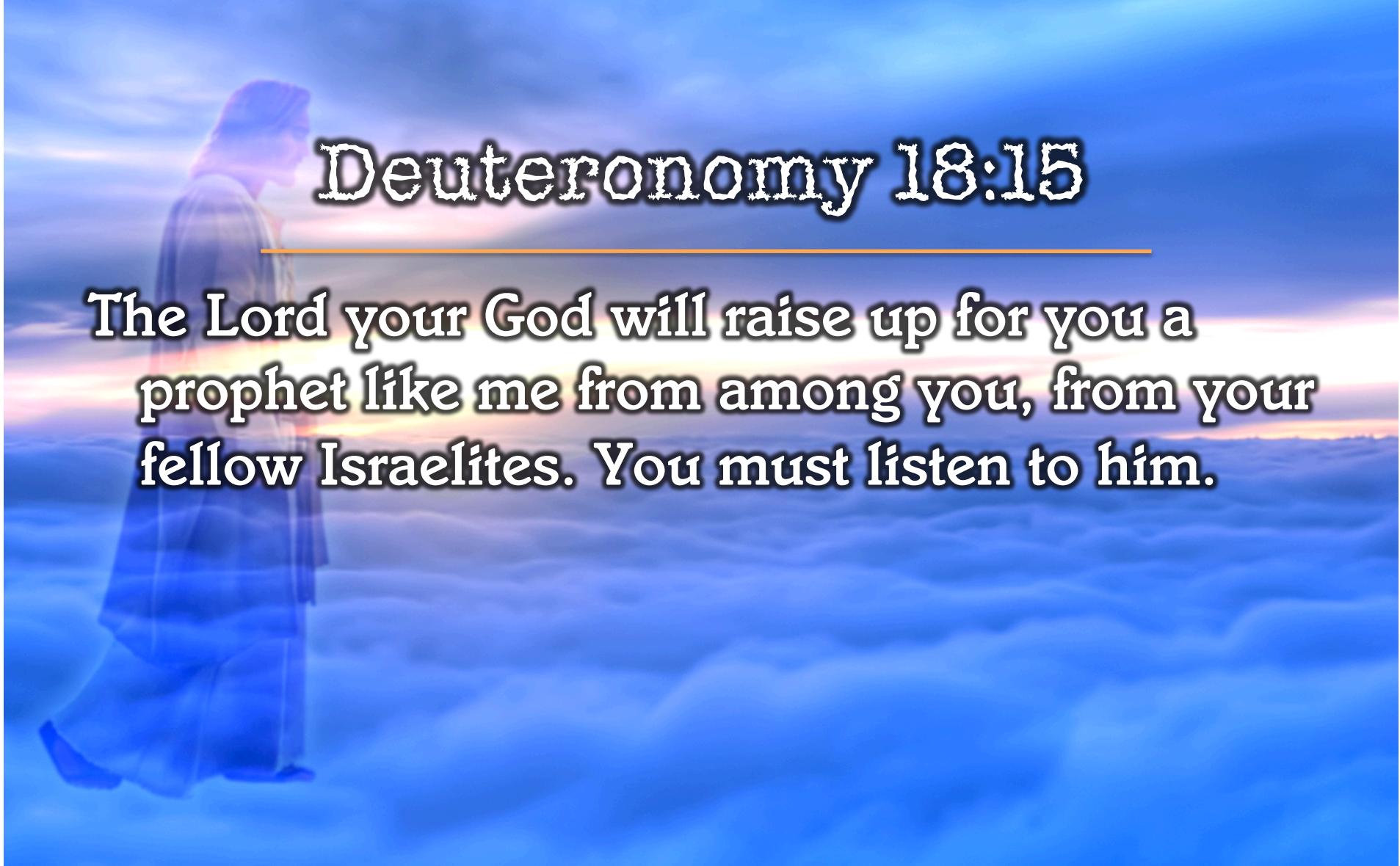
**He said to them, “How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?”**

A silhouette of Jesus walking on water at sunset. He is wearing a long robe and sandals. The background shows a beautiful sunset with orange and blue hues over a body of water.

**Luke 24:27**

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**And beginning with Moses and all the  
Prophets, he explained to them what was  
said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.**



## **Deuteronomy 18:15**

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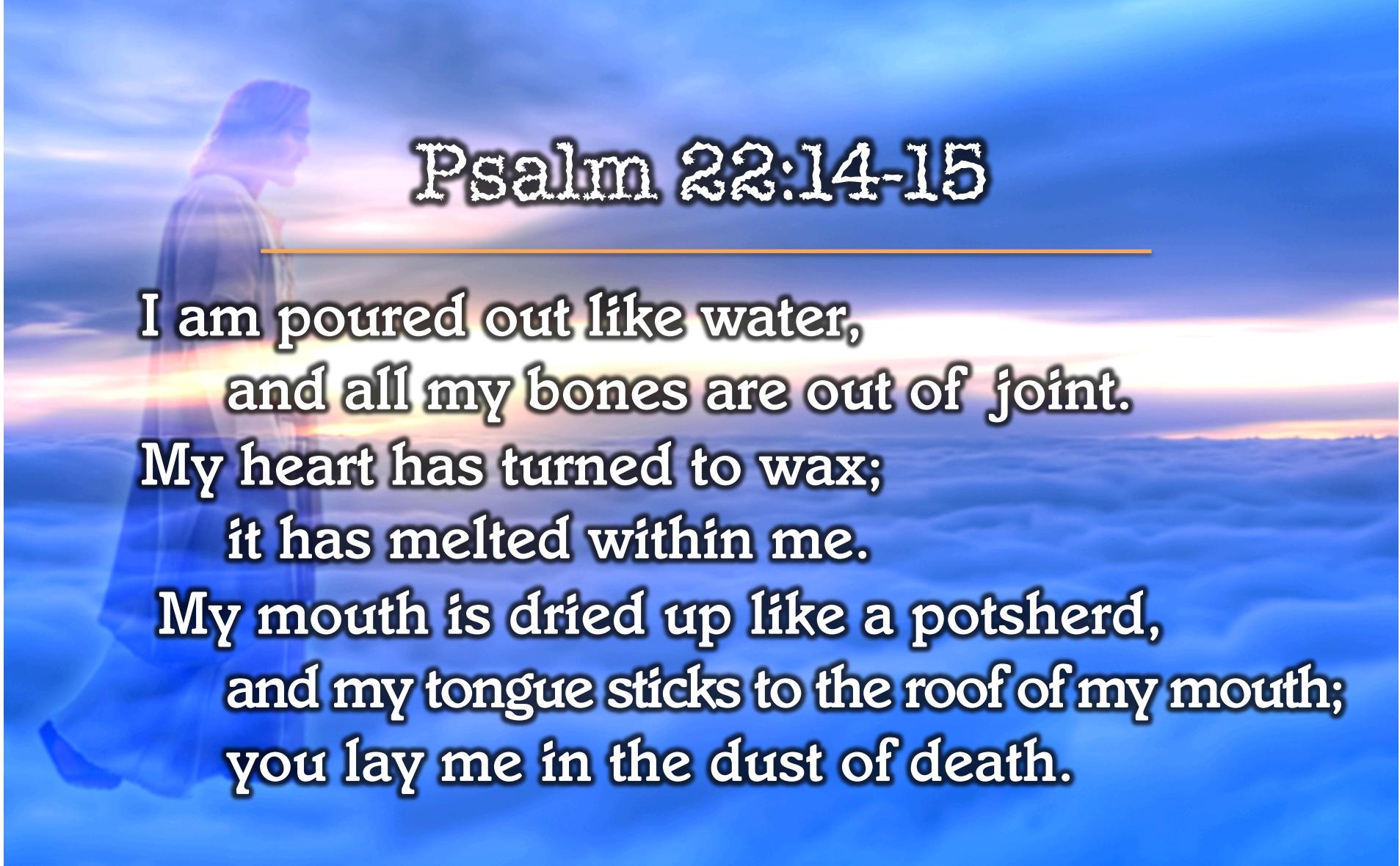
**The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your fellow Israelites. You must listen to him.**



## Psalm 16:9-10

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Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;  
my body also will rest secure,  
because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead,  
nor will you let your faithful one see decay.



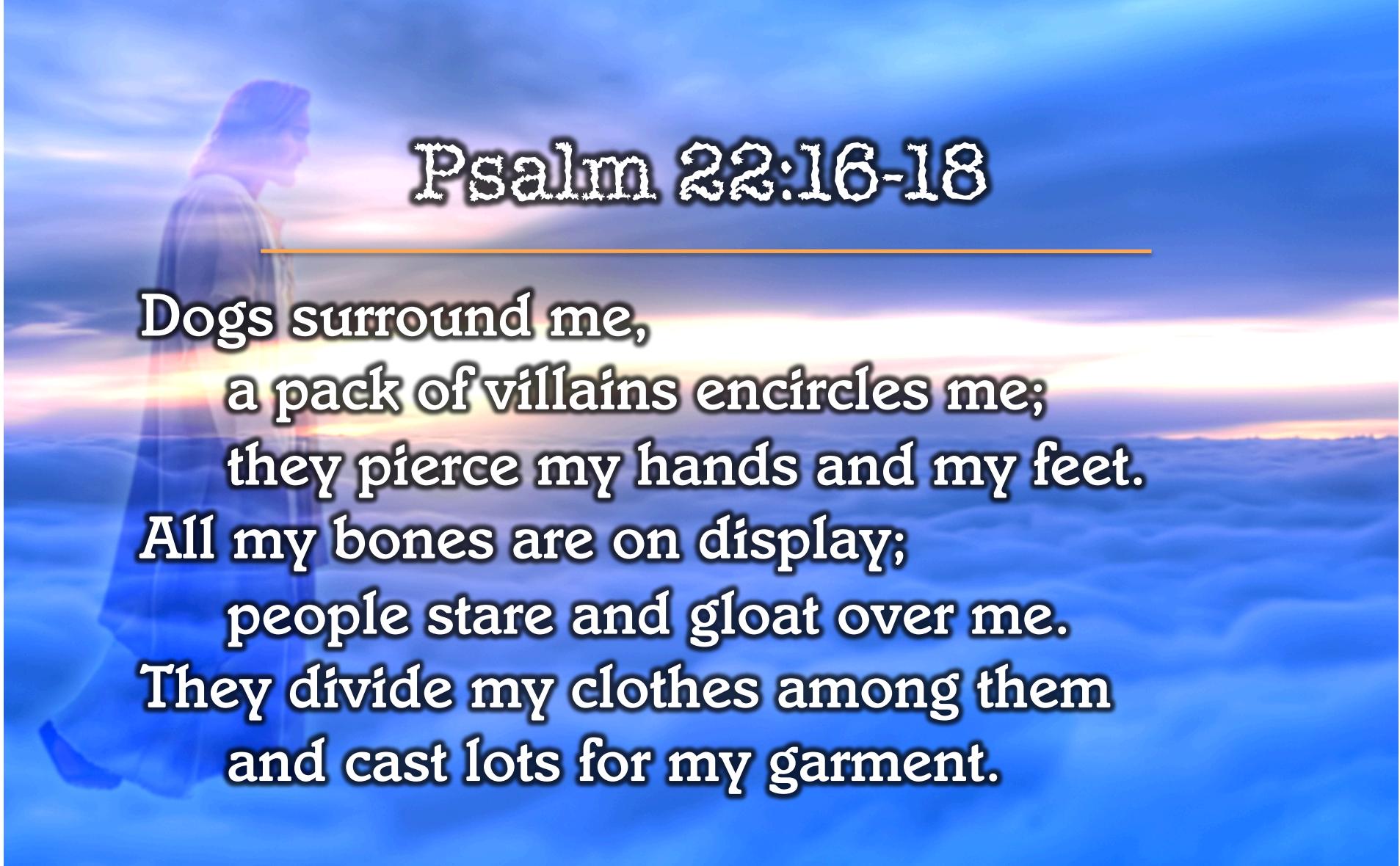
## **Psalm 22:14-15**

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**I am poured out like water,  
and all my bones are out of joint.**

**My heart has turned to wax;  
it has melted within me.**

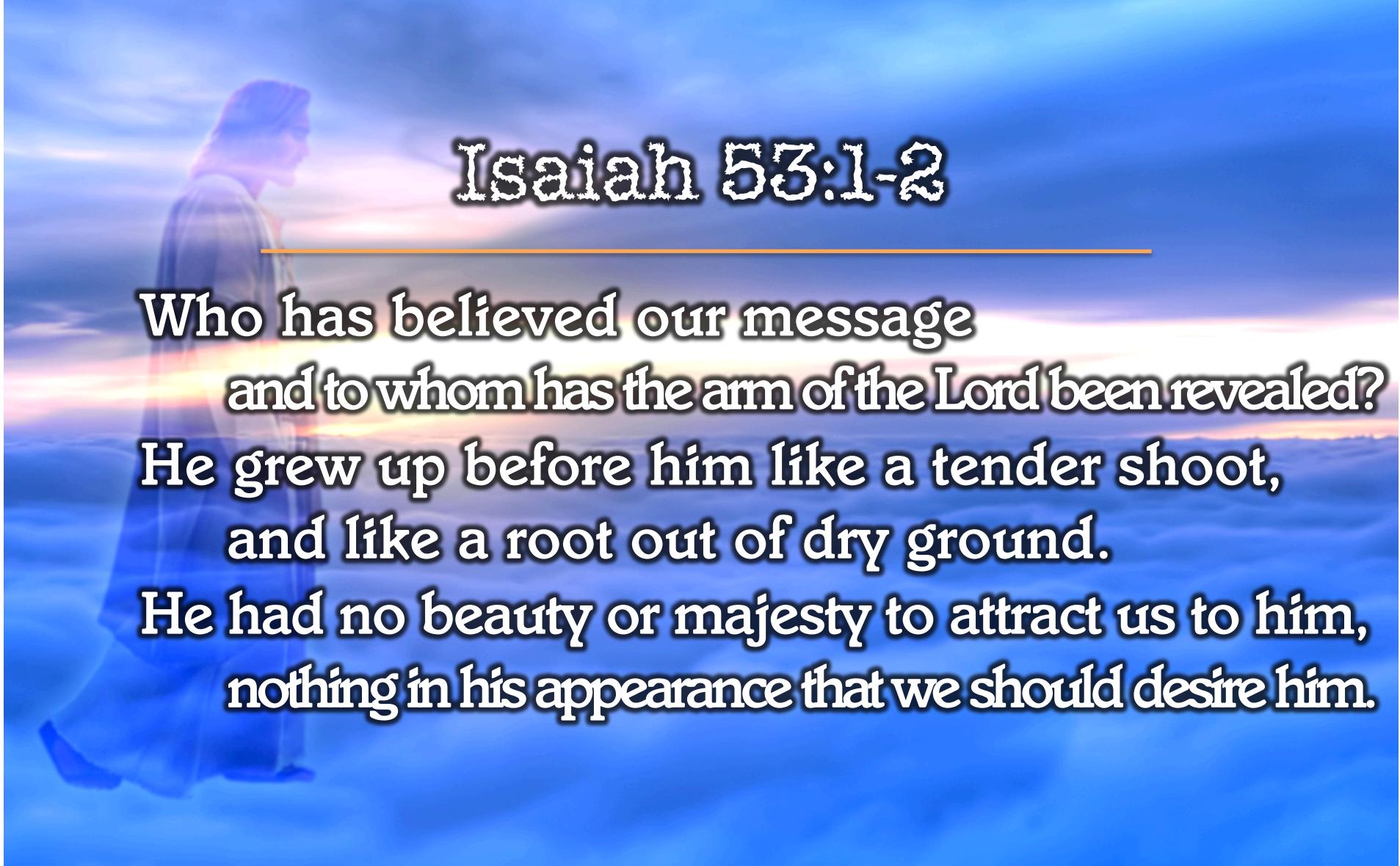
**My mouth is dried up like a potsherd,  
and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth;  
you lay me in the dust of death.**

A silhouette of Jesus walking on water at sunset. He is wearing a simple robe and sandals, and his long hair is visible. The background shows a beautiful sunset with orange and blue hues over a calm sea.

## **Psalm 22:16-18**

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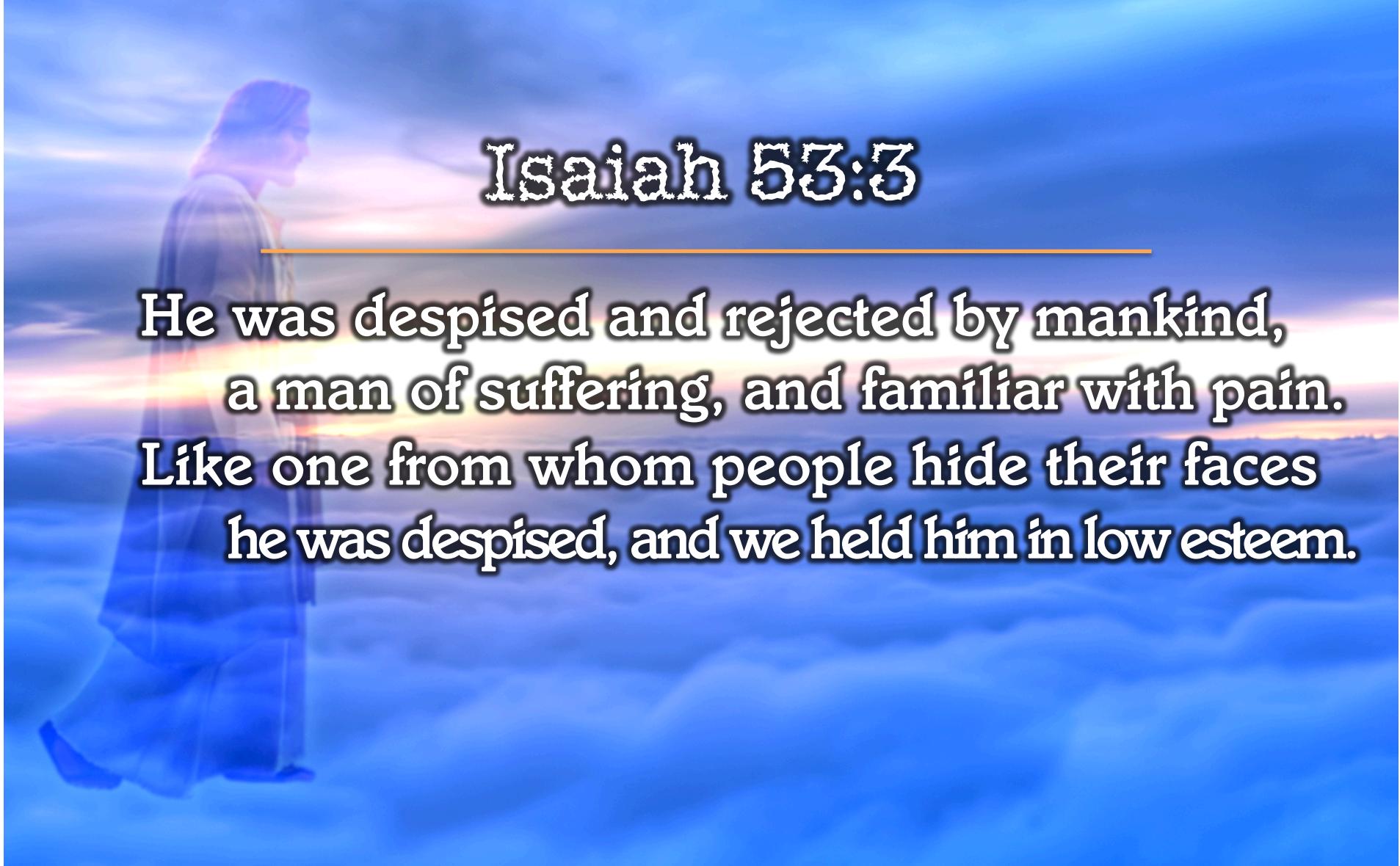
**Dogs surround me,  
a pack of villains encircles me;  
they pierce my hands and my feet.  
All my bones are on display;  
people stare and gloat over me.  
They divide my clothes among them  
and cast lots for my garment.**



## **Isaiah 53:1-2**

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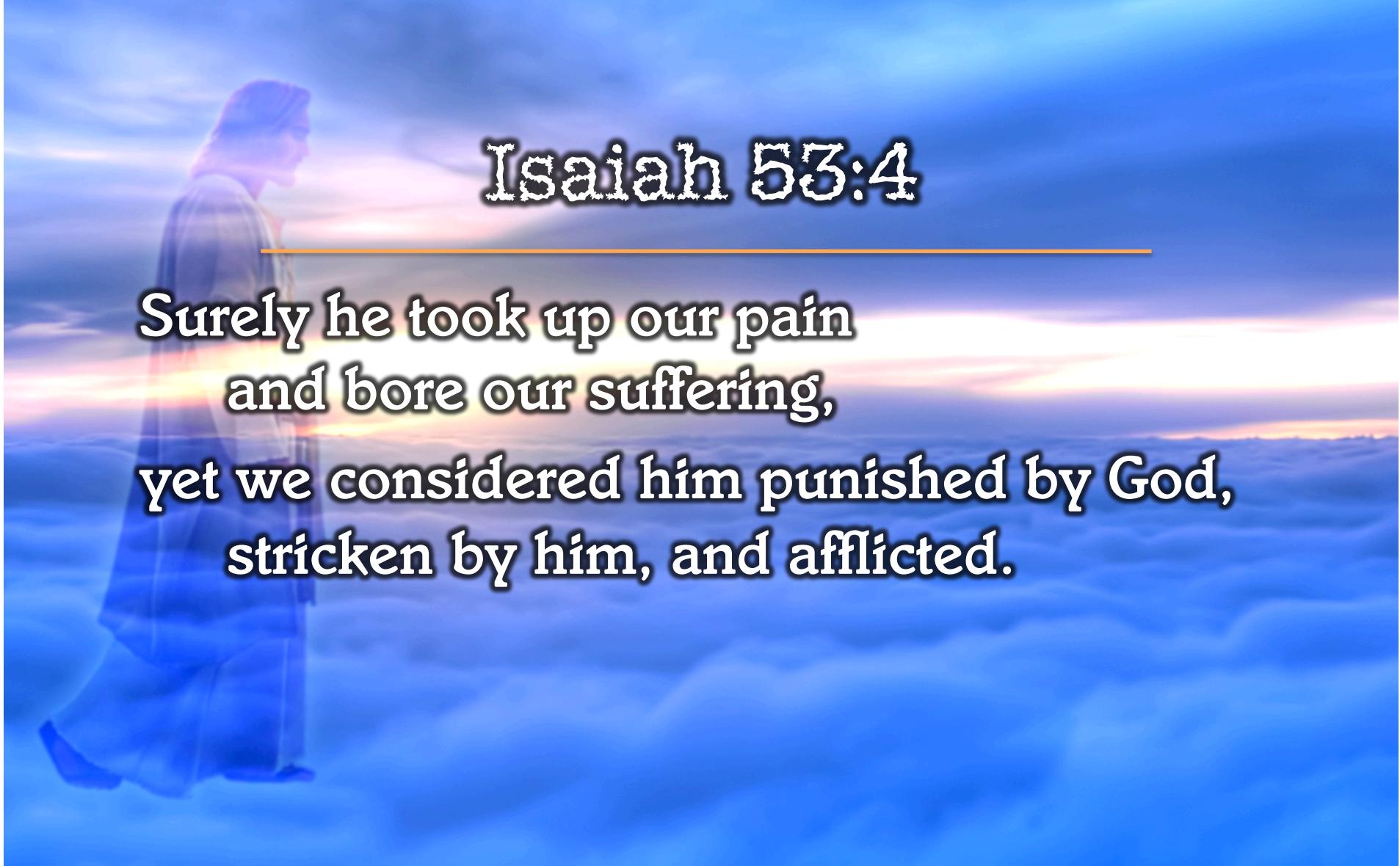
**Who has believed our message  
and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?  
He grew up before him like a tender shoot,  
and like a root out of dry ground.  
He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him,  
nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.**

A silhouette of a person walking towards a sunset over water, with a warm glow from the horizon.

## **Isaiah 53:3**

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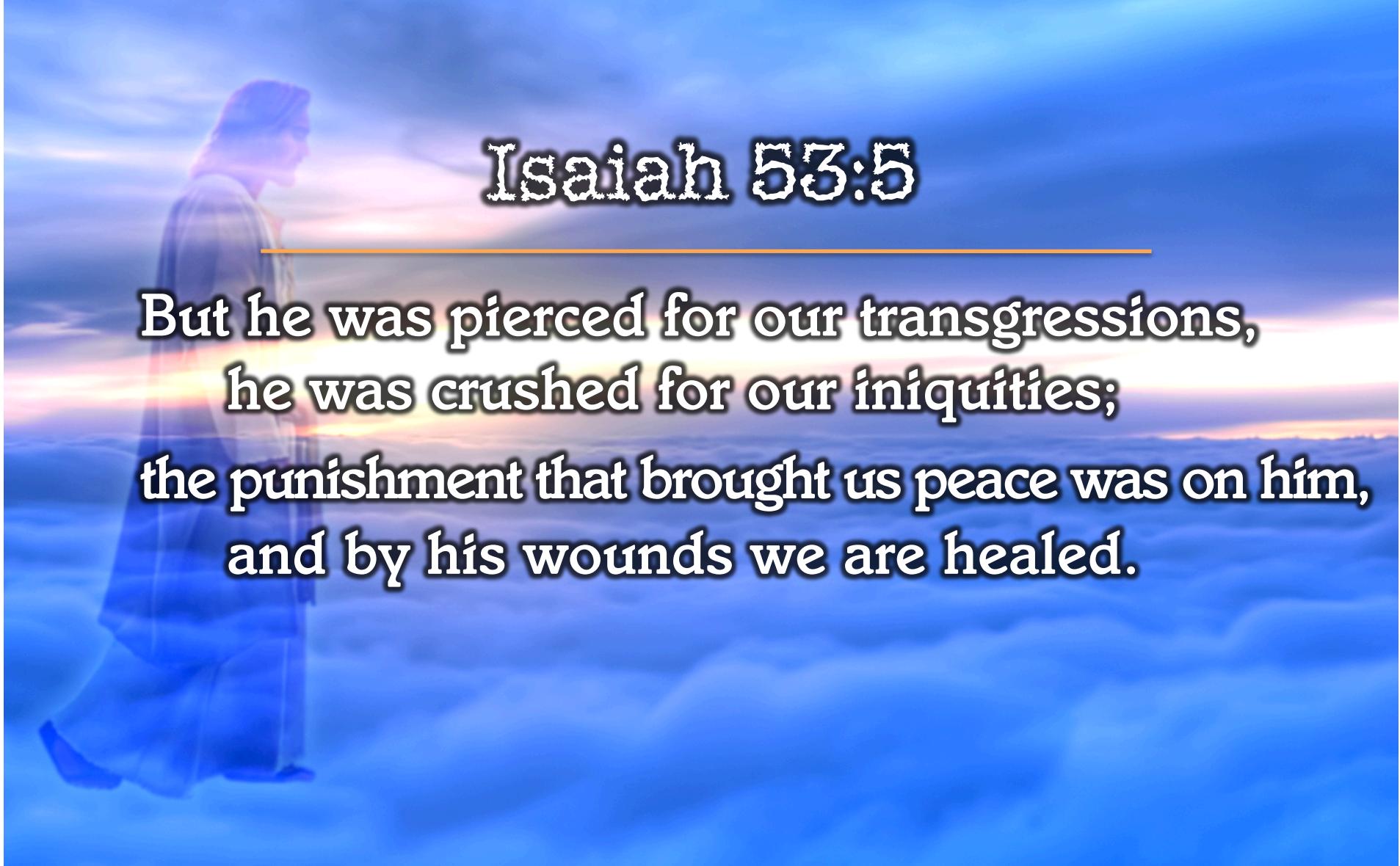
**He was despised and rejected by mankind,  
a man of suffering, and familiar with pain.  
Like one from whom people hide their faces  
he was despised, and we held him in low esteem.**

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## **Isaiah 53:4**

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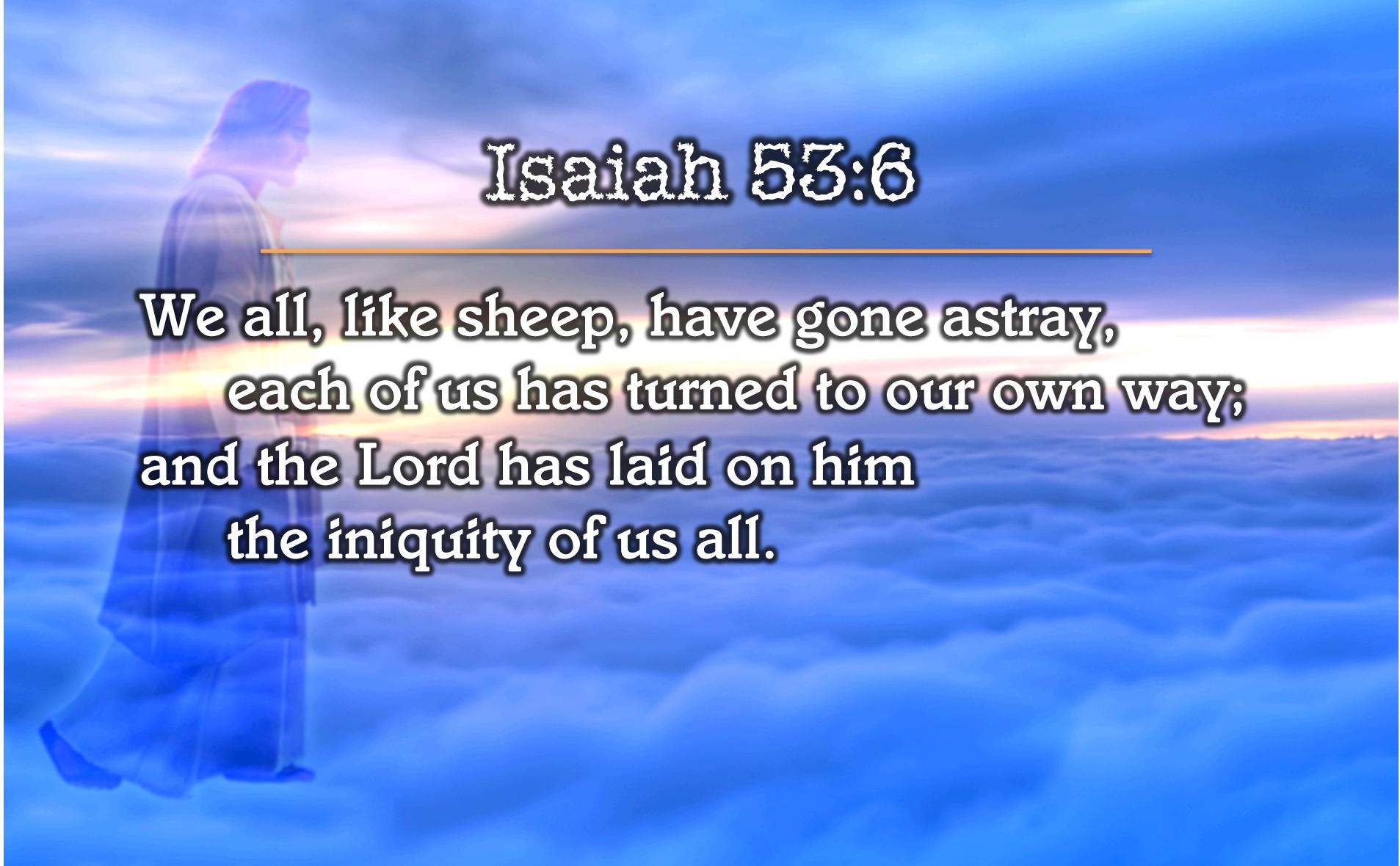
**Surely he took up our pain  
and bore our suffering,  
yet we considered him punished by God,  
stricken by him, and afflicted.**



## **Isaiah 53:5**

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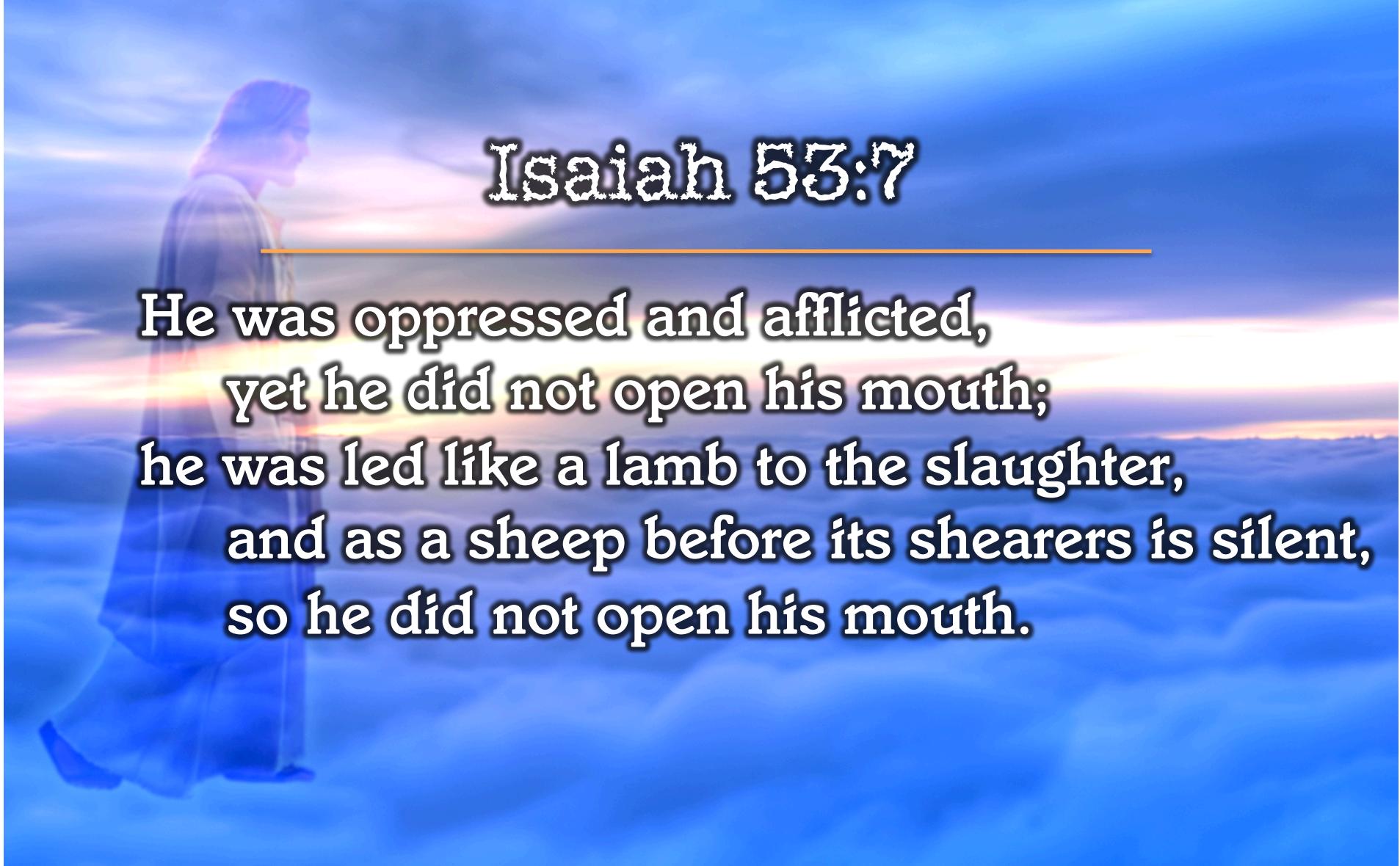
**But he was pierced for our transgressions,  
he was crushed for our iniquities;  
the punishment that brought us peace was on him,  
and by his wounds we are healed.**

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## **Isaiah 53:6**

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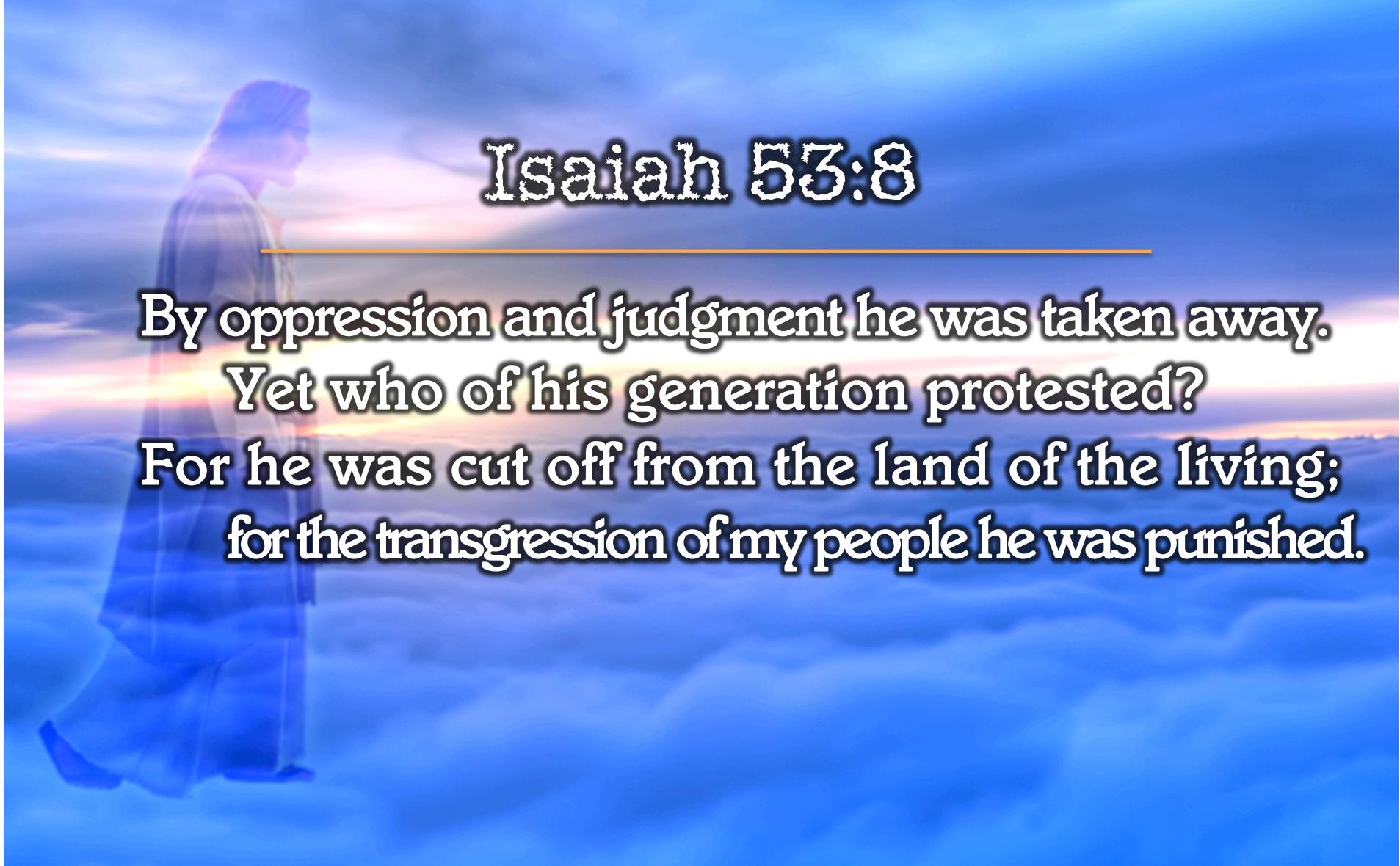
**We all, like sheep, have gone astray,  
each of us has turned to our own way;  
and the Lord has laid on him  
the iniquity of us all.**

A vertical photograph of a person from behind, walking towards a horizon where a sunset or sunrise is visible over a body of water. The sky is a gradient of blue and orange. The person is wearing a long coat and trousers.

## **Isaiah 53:7**

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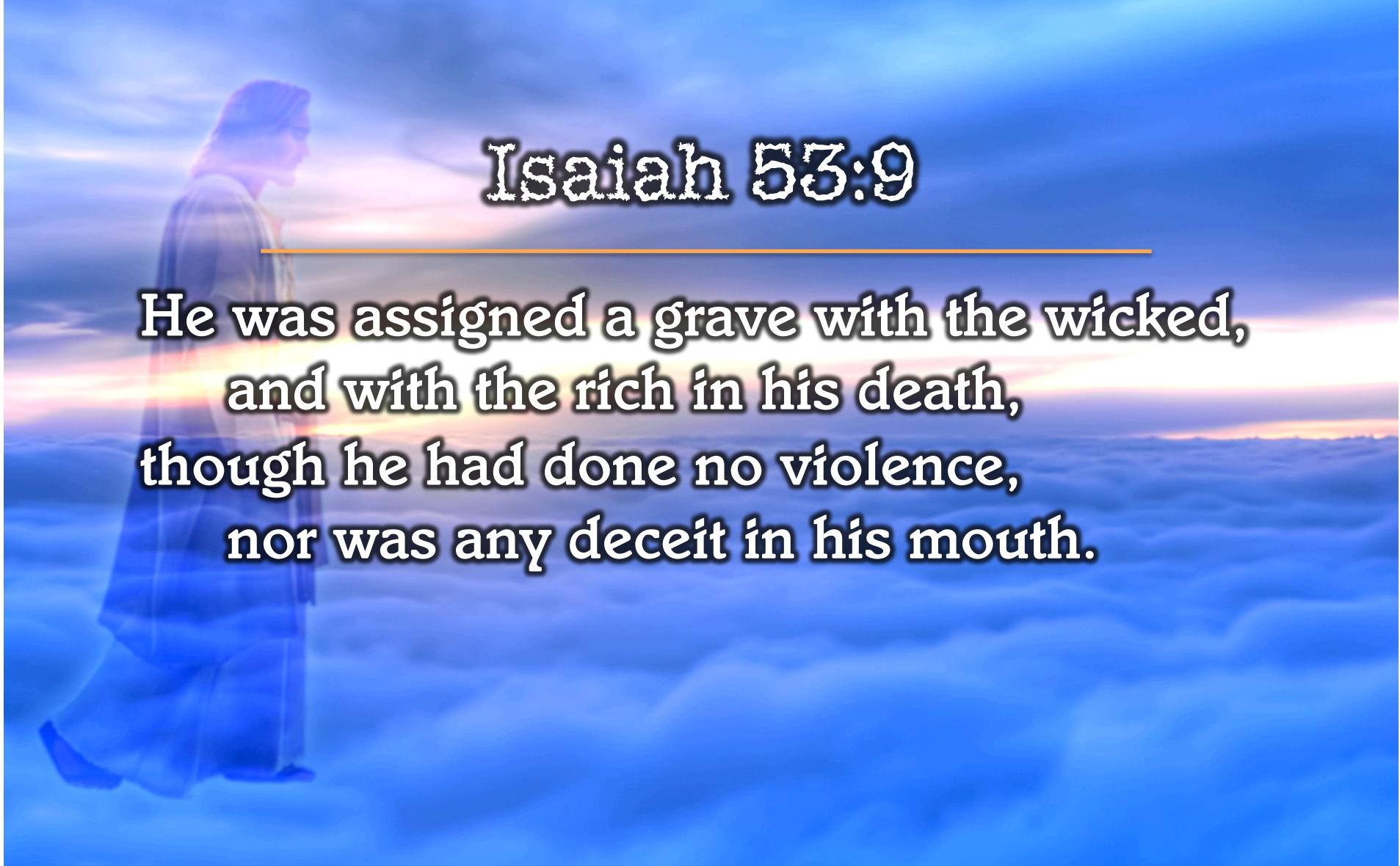
**He was oppressed and afflicted,  
yet he did not open his mouth;  
he was led like a lamb to the slaughter,  
and as a sheep before its shearers is silent,  
so he did not open his mouth.**



## **Isaiah 53:8**

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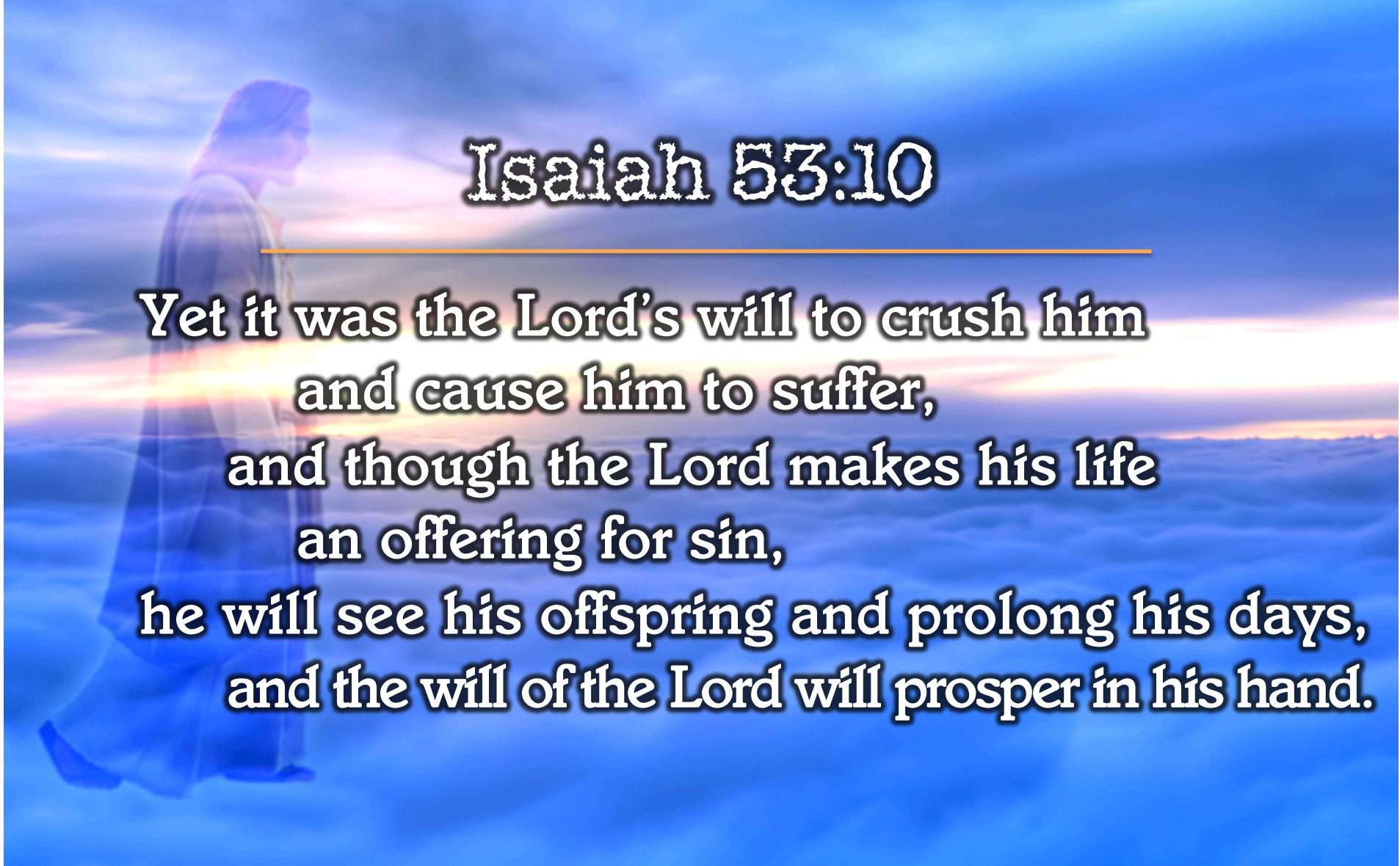
**By oppression and judgment he was taken away.  
Yet who of his generation protested?  
For he was cut off from the land of the living;  
for the transgression of my people he was punished.**

A silhouette of a person walking towards a sunset over water.

## **Isaiah 53:9**

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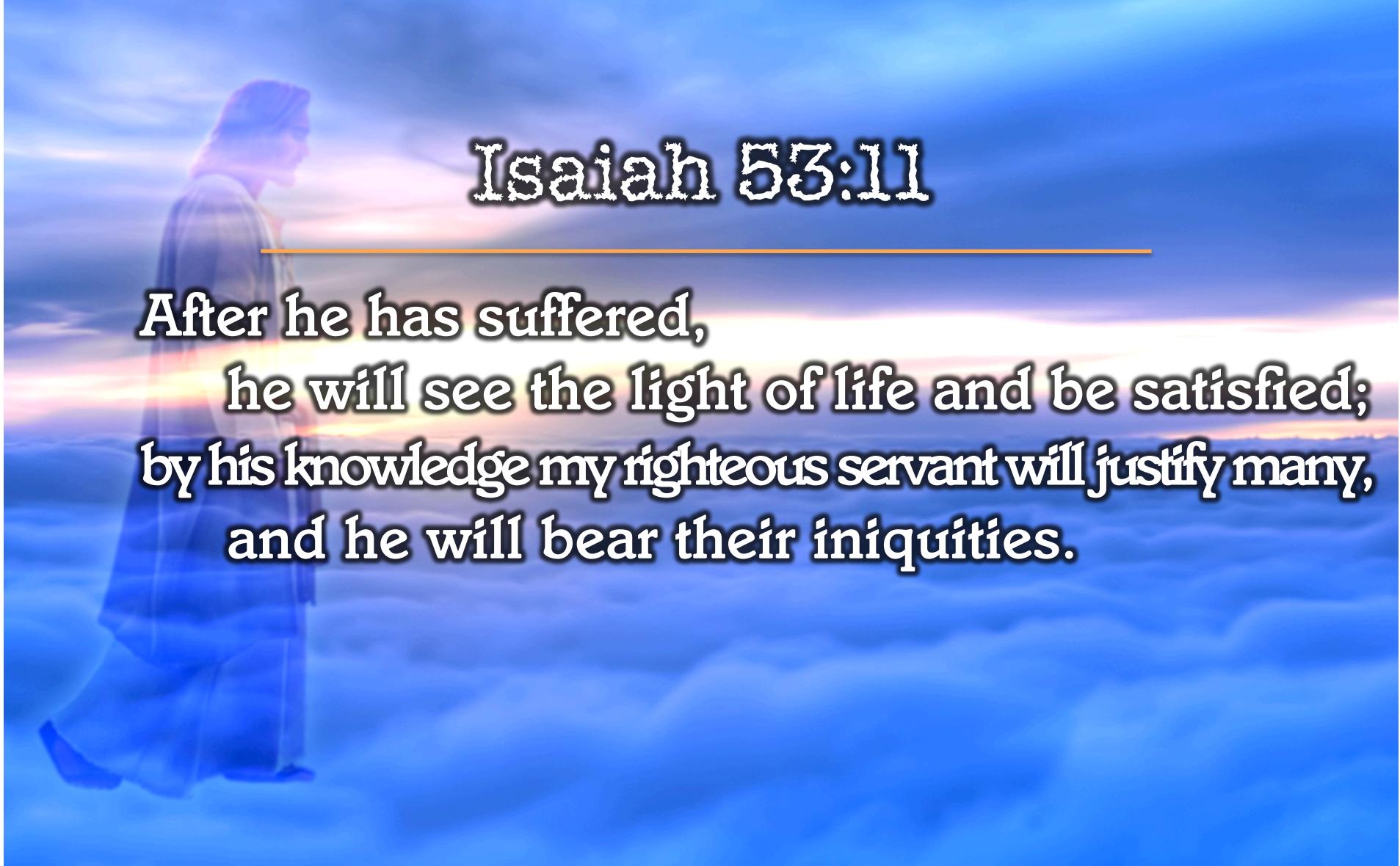
**He was assigned a grave with the wicked,  
and with the rich in his death,  
though he had done no violence,  
nor was any deceit in his mouth.**



## **Isaiah 53:10**

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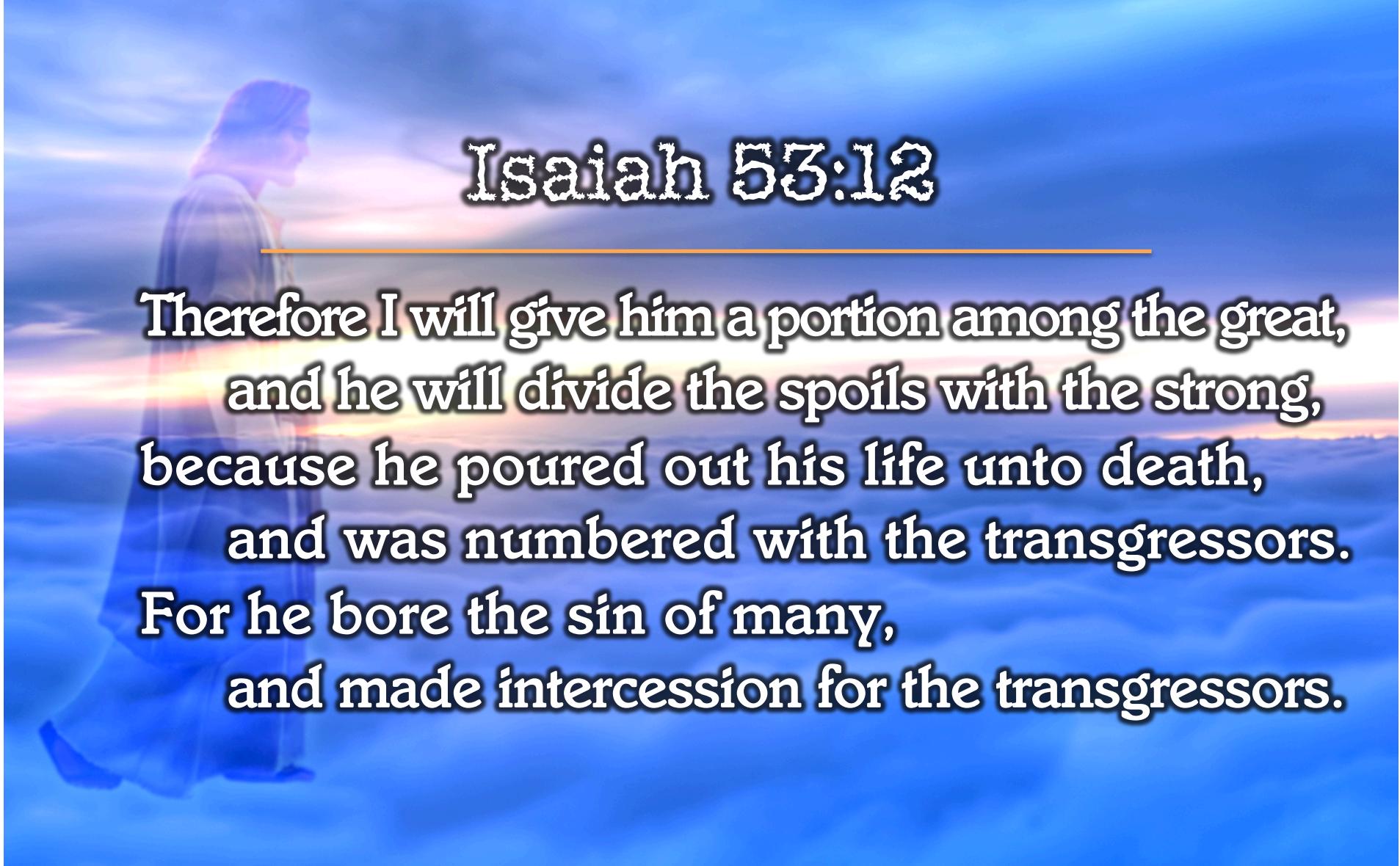
**Yet it was the Lord's will to crush him  
and cause him to suffer,  
and though the Lord makes his life  
an offering for sin,  
he will see his offspring and prolong his days,  
and the will of the Lord will prosper in his hand.**



## **Isaiah 53:11**

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**After he has suffered,  
he will see the light of life and be satisfied;  
by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many,  
and he will bear their iniquities.**

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## **Isaiah 53:12**

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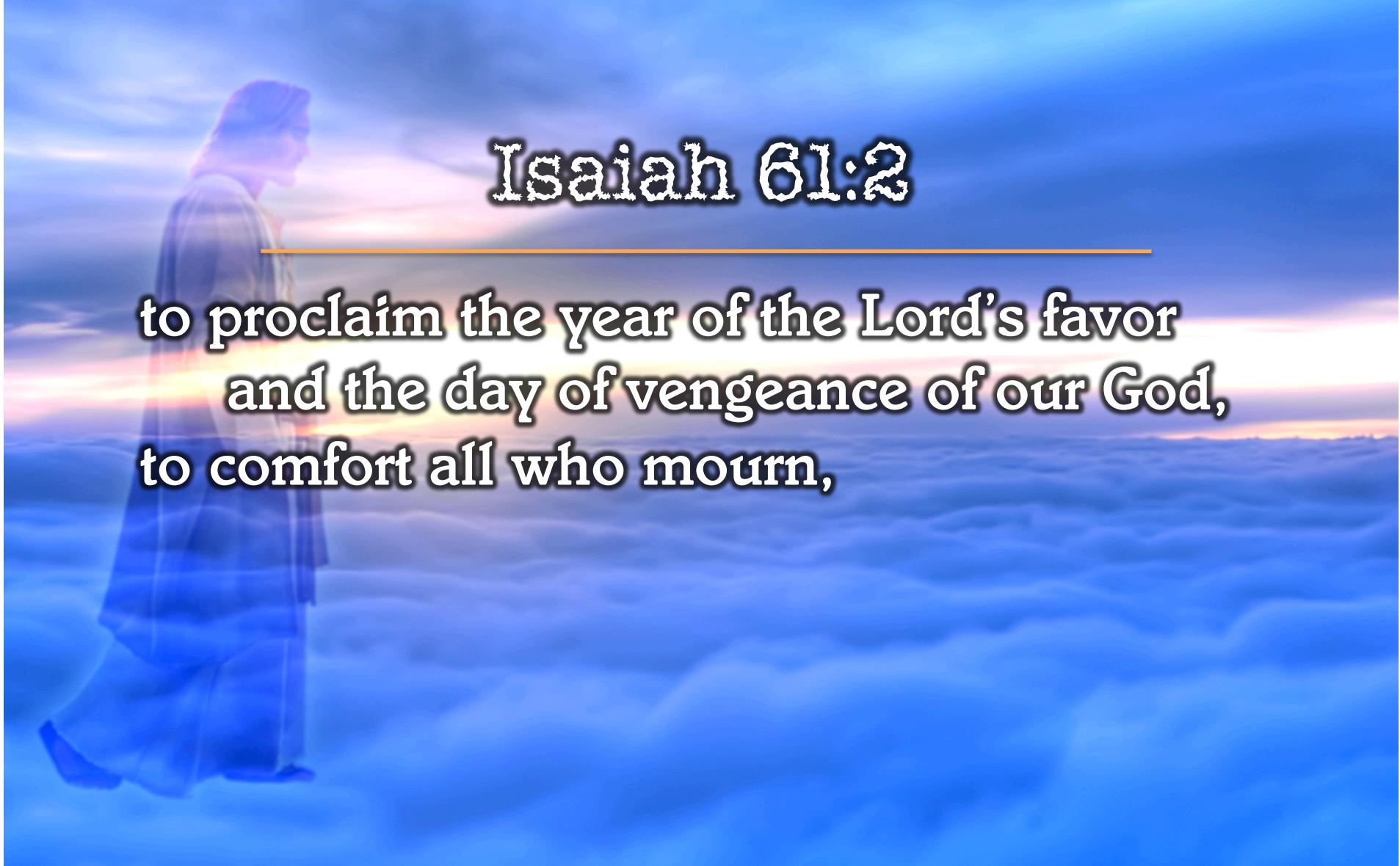
**Therefore I will give him a portion among the great,  
and he will divide the spoils with the strong,  
because he poured out his life unto death,  
and was numbered with the transgressors.  
For he bore the sin of many,  
and made intercession for the transgressors.**



## **Isaiah 61:1**

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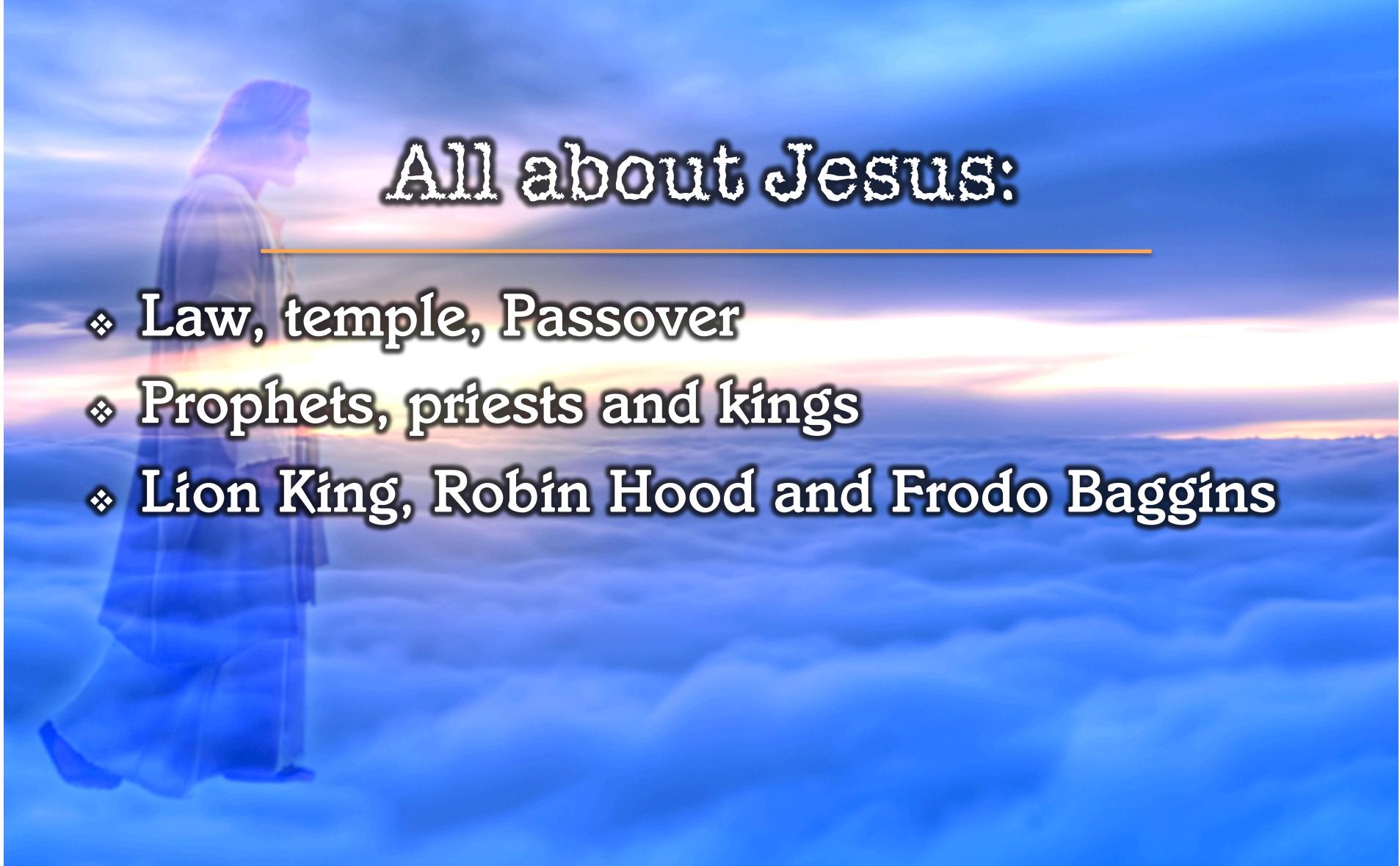
**The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me,  
because the Lord has anointed me  
to proclaim good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted,  
to proclaim freedom for the captives  
and release from darkness for the prisoners,**



## **Isaiah 61:2**

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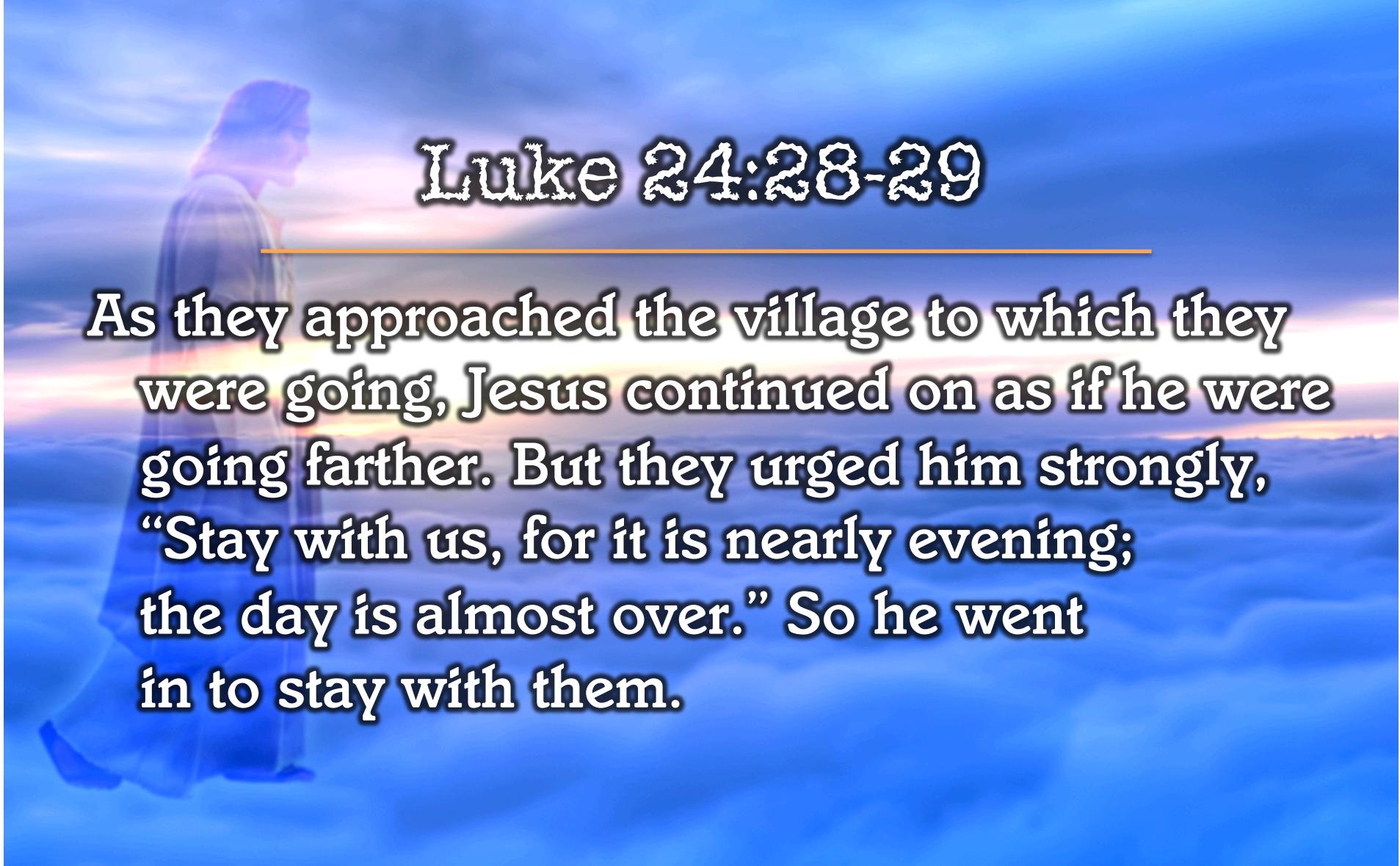
**to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor  
and the day of vengeance of our God,  
to comfort all who mourn,**



# All about Jesus:

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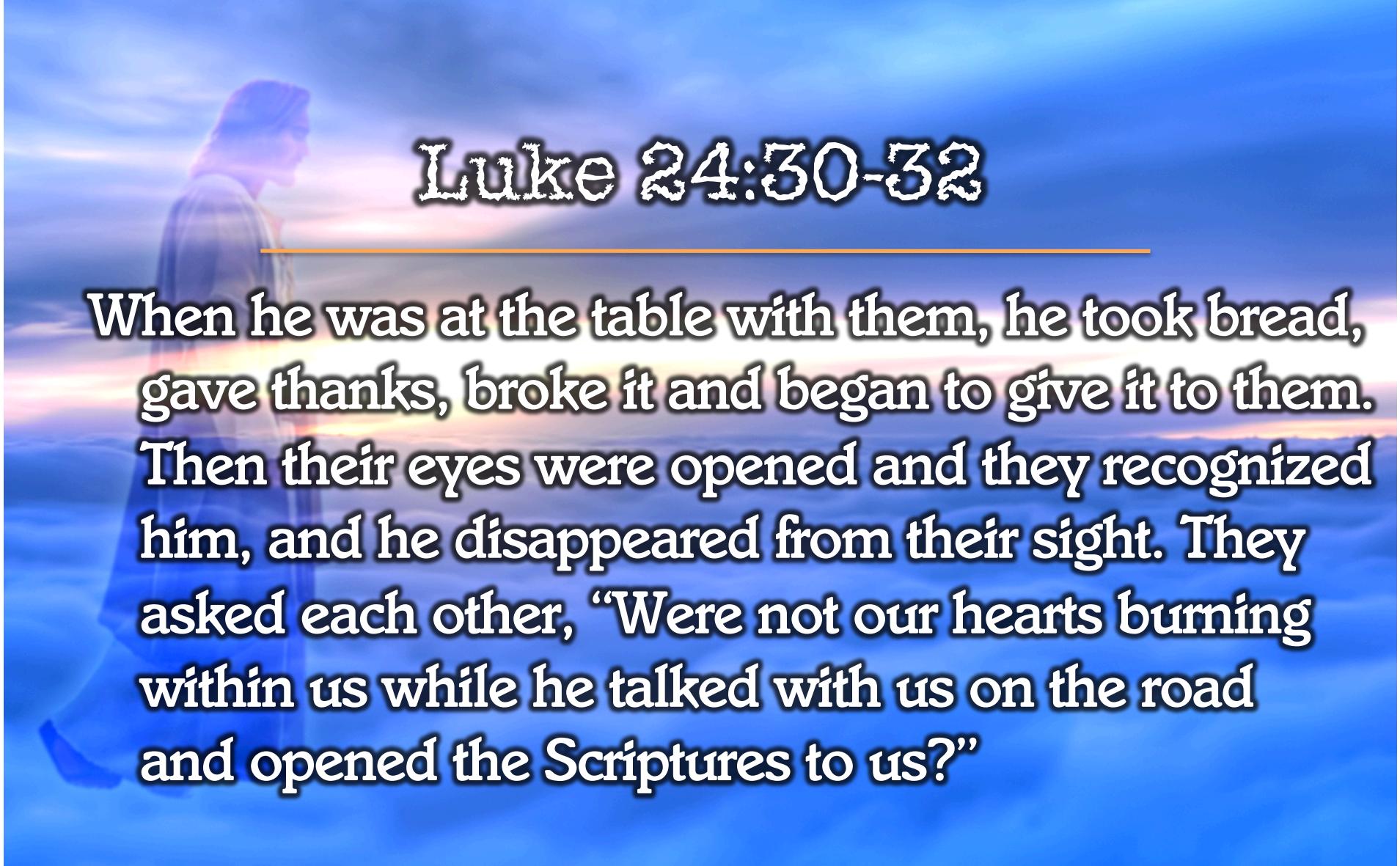
- ❖ Law, temple, Passover
- ❖ Prophets, priests and kings
- ❖ Lion King, Robin Hood and Frodo Baggins



## Luke 24:28-29

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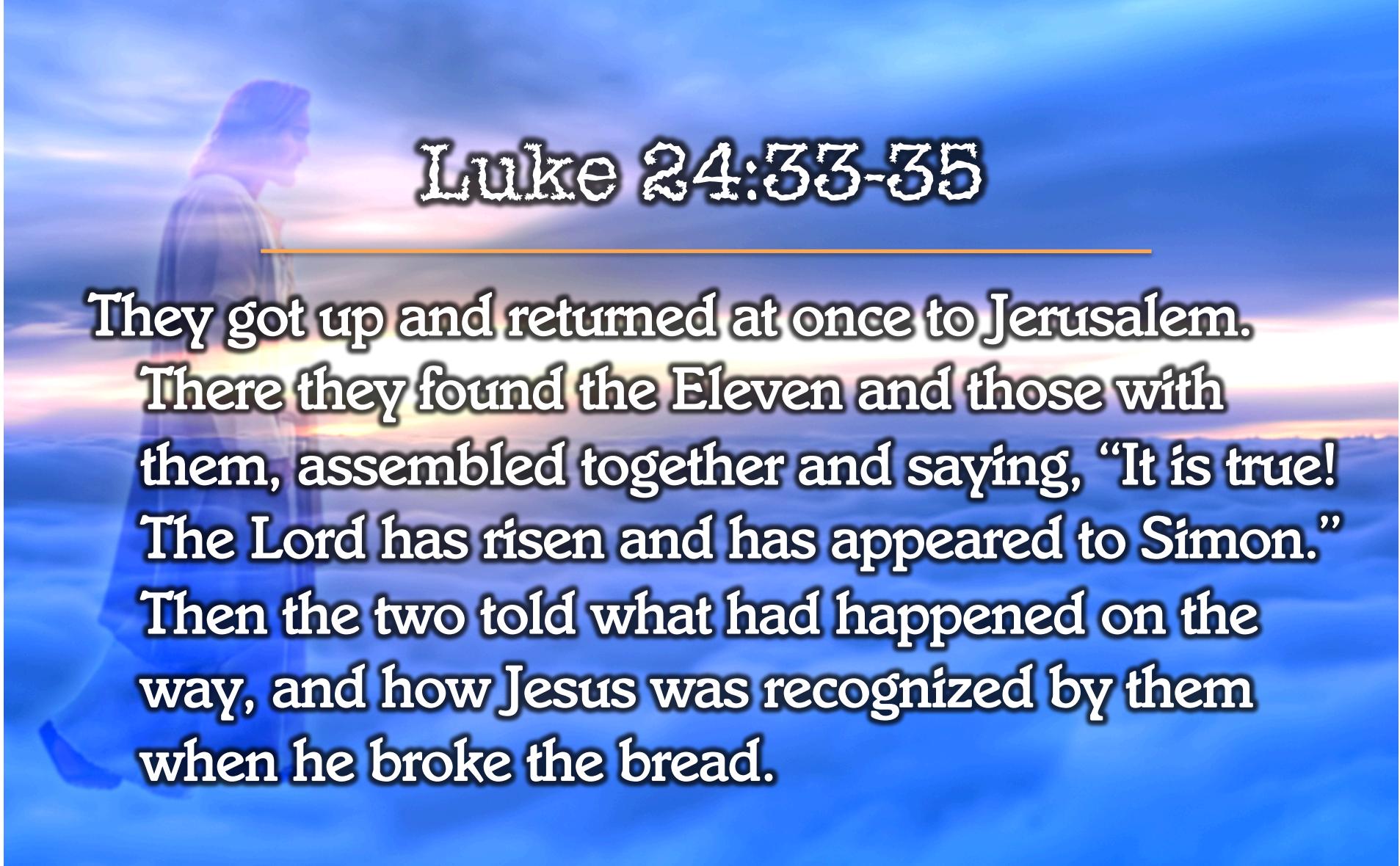
As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. But they urged him strongly, “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.” So he went in to stay with them.



## Luke 24:30-32

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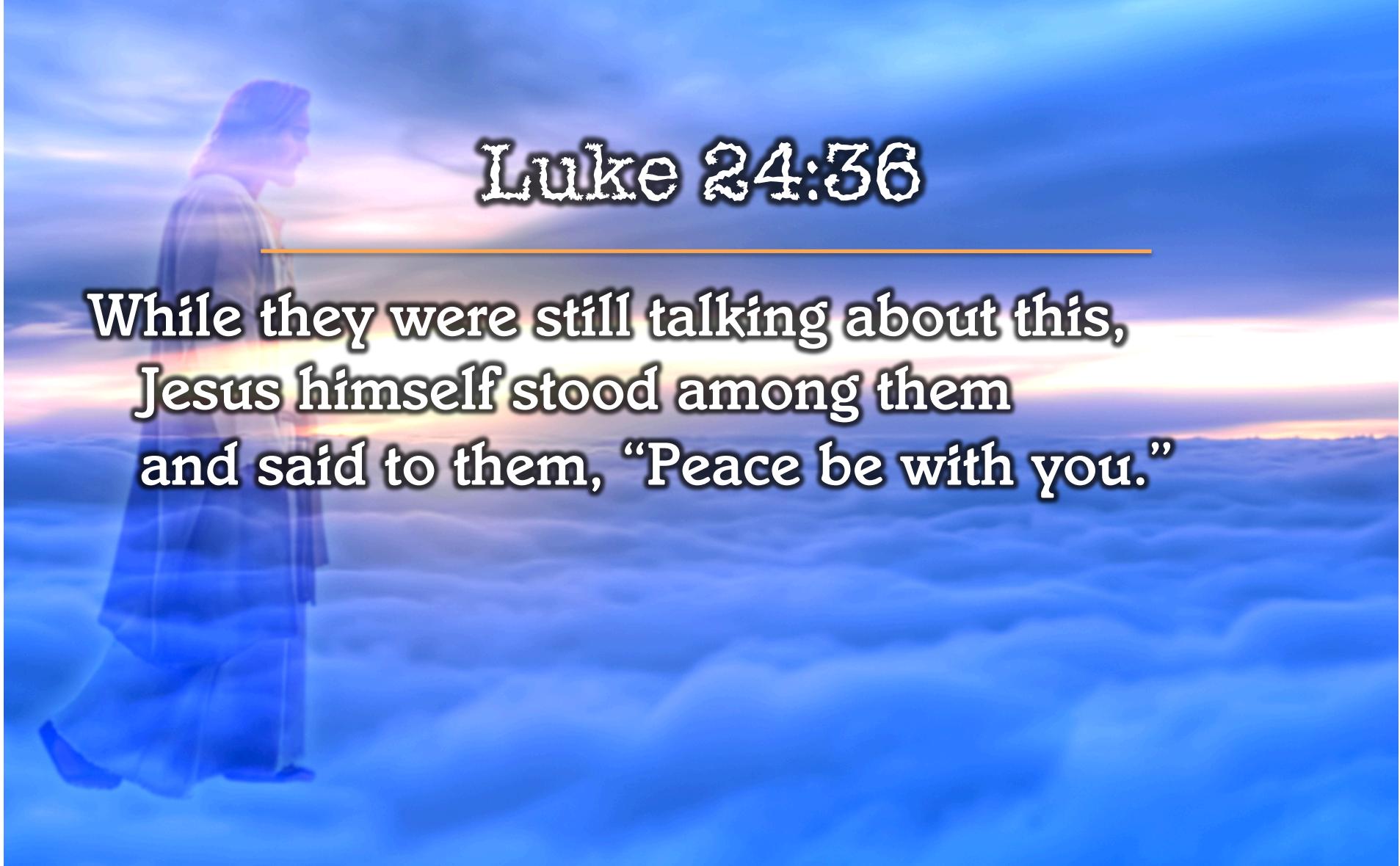
**When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?”**



## Luke 24:33-35

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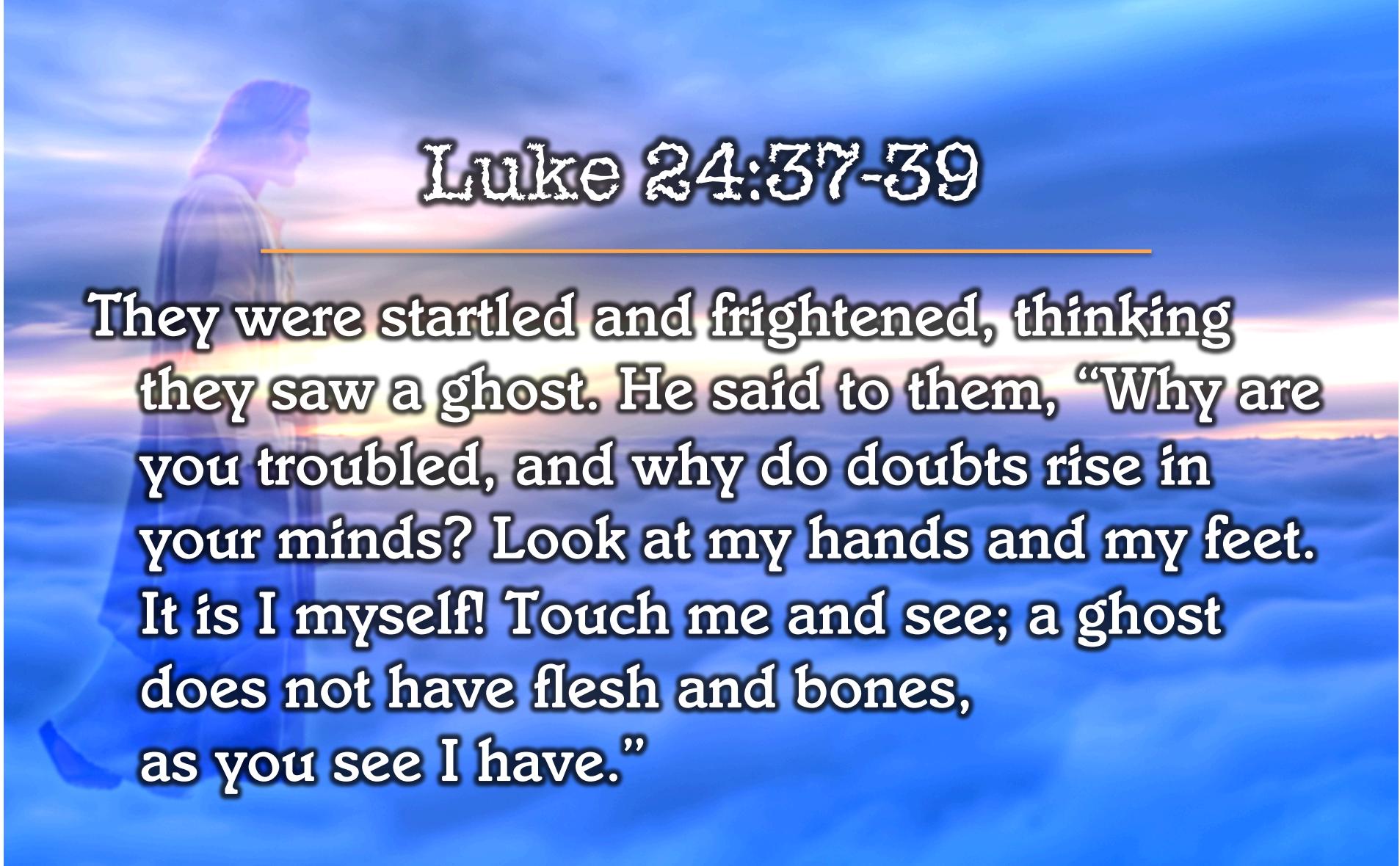
They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together and saying, “It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.” Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.



## Luke 24:36

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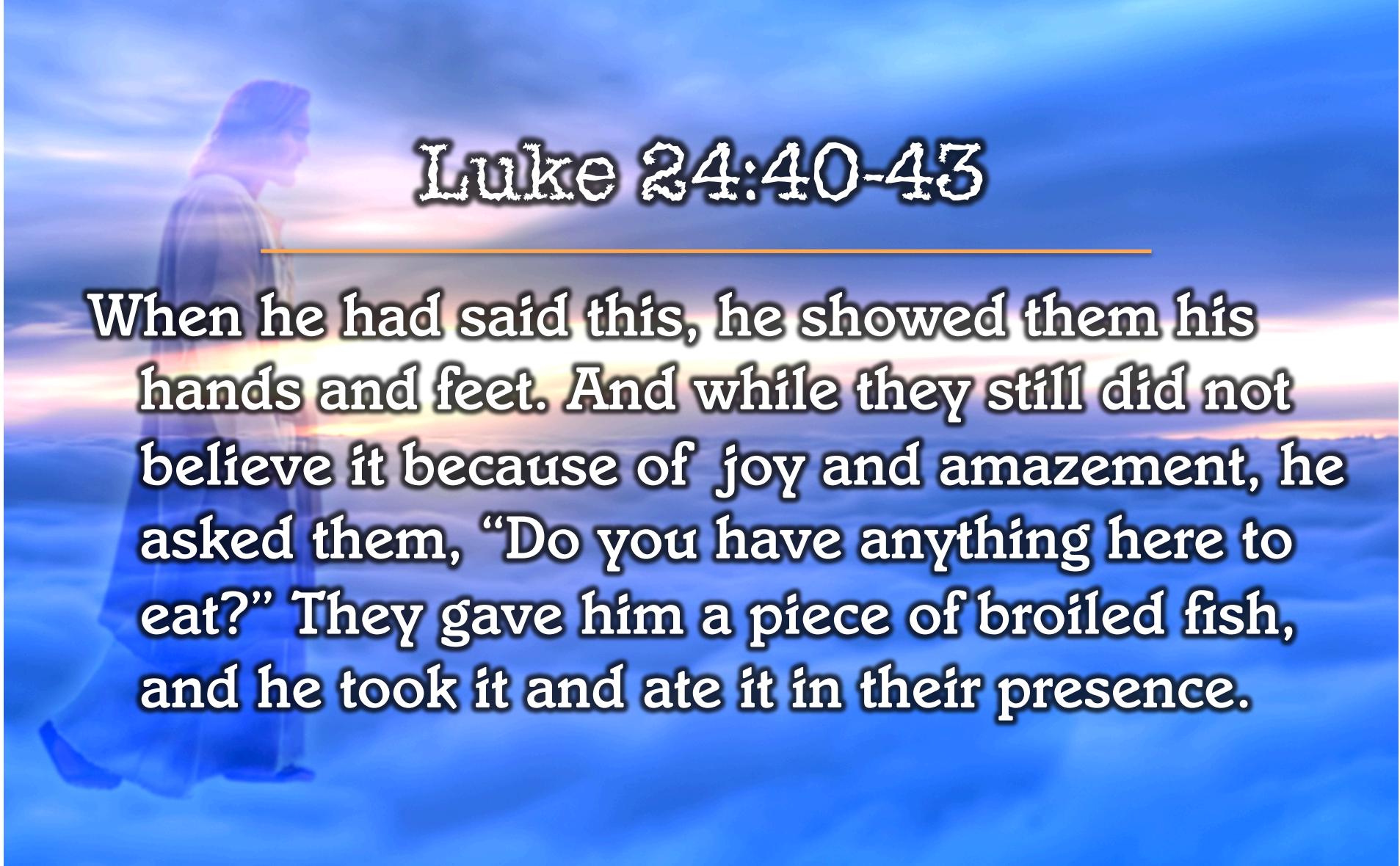
**While they were still talking about this,  
Jesus himself stood among them  
and said to them, “Peace be with you.”**



## Luke 24:37-39

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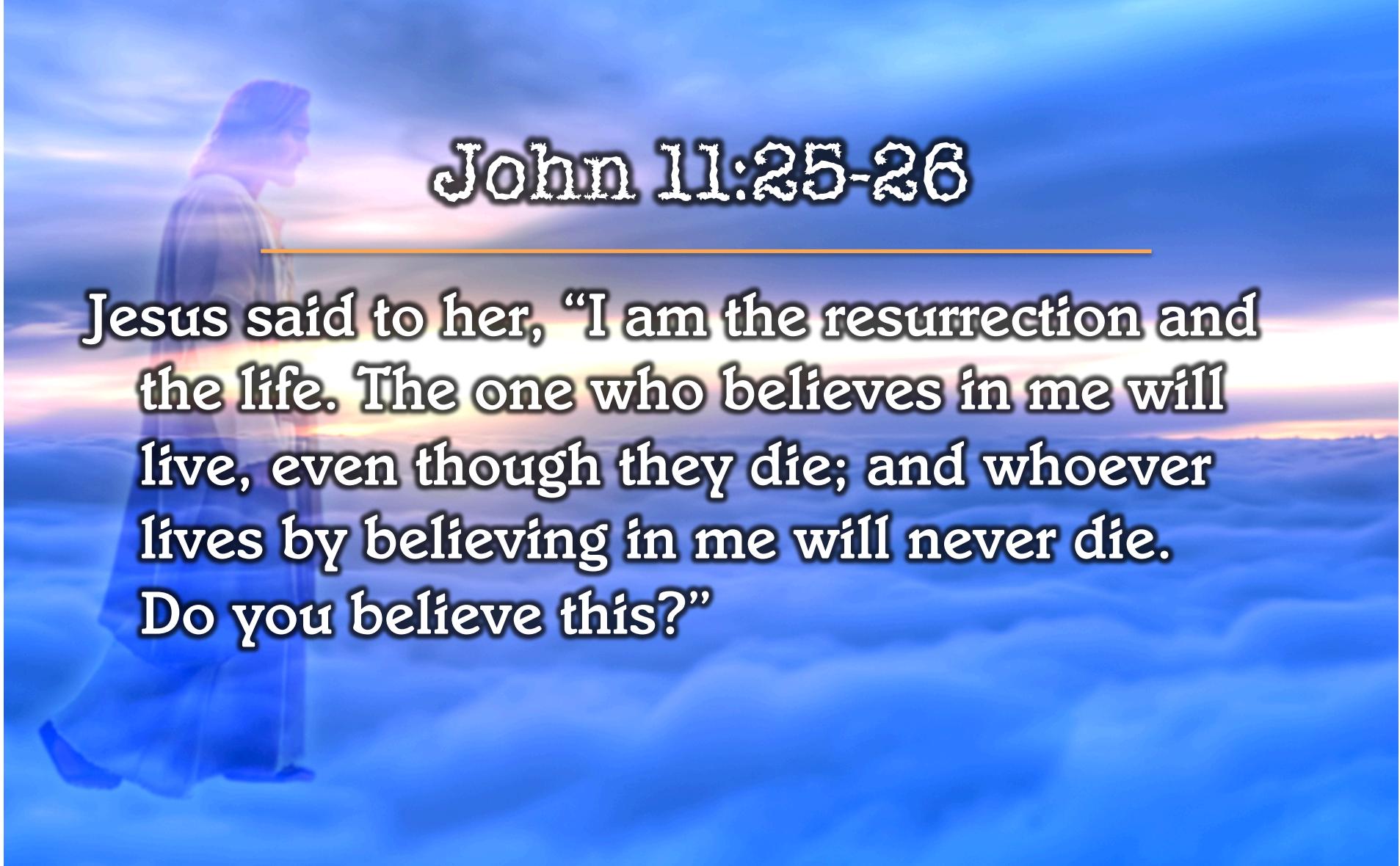
**They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. He said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have.”**



## Luke 24:40-43

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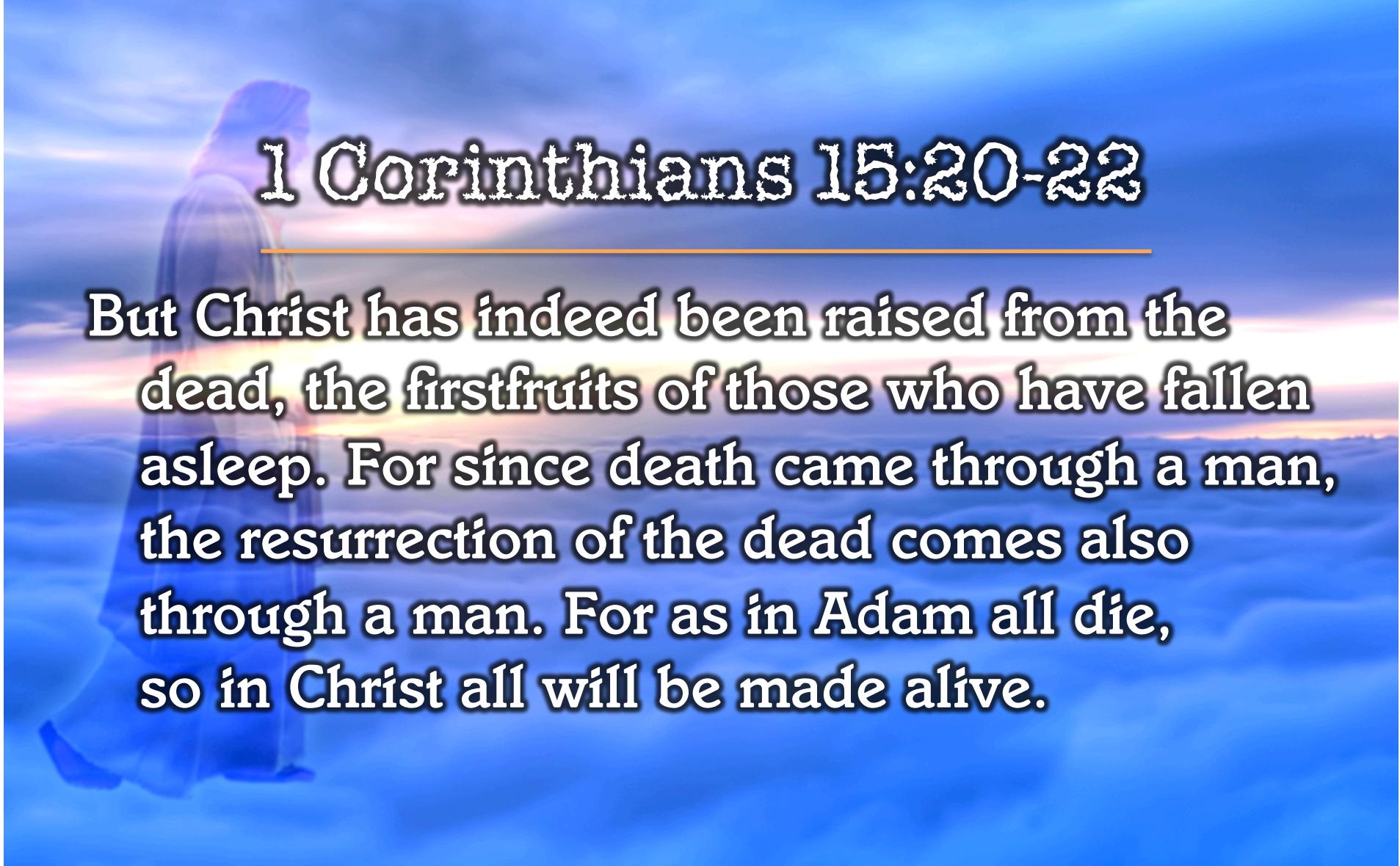
When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, “Do you have anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate it in their presence.



## **John 11:25-26**

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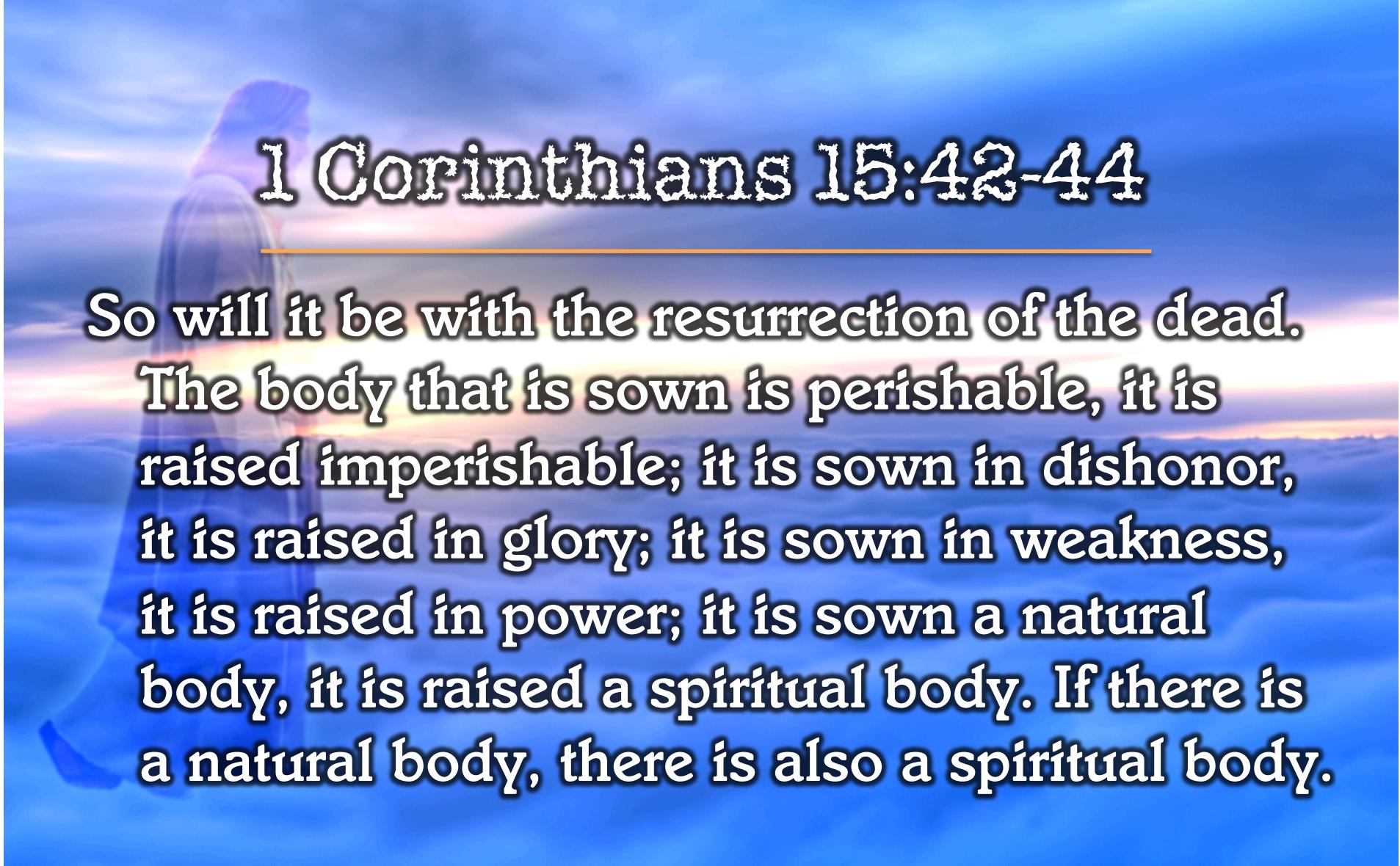
**Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?”**



## **1 Corinthians 15:20-22**

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**But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.**

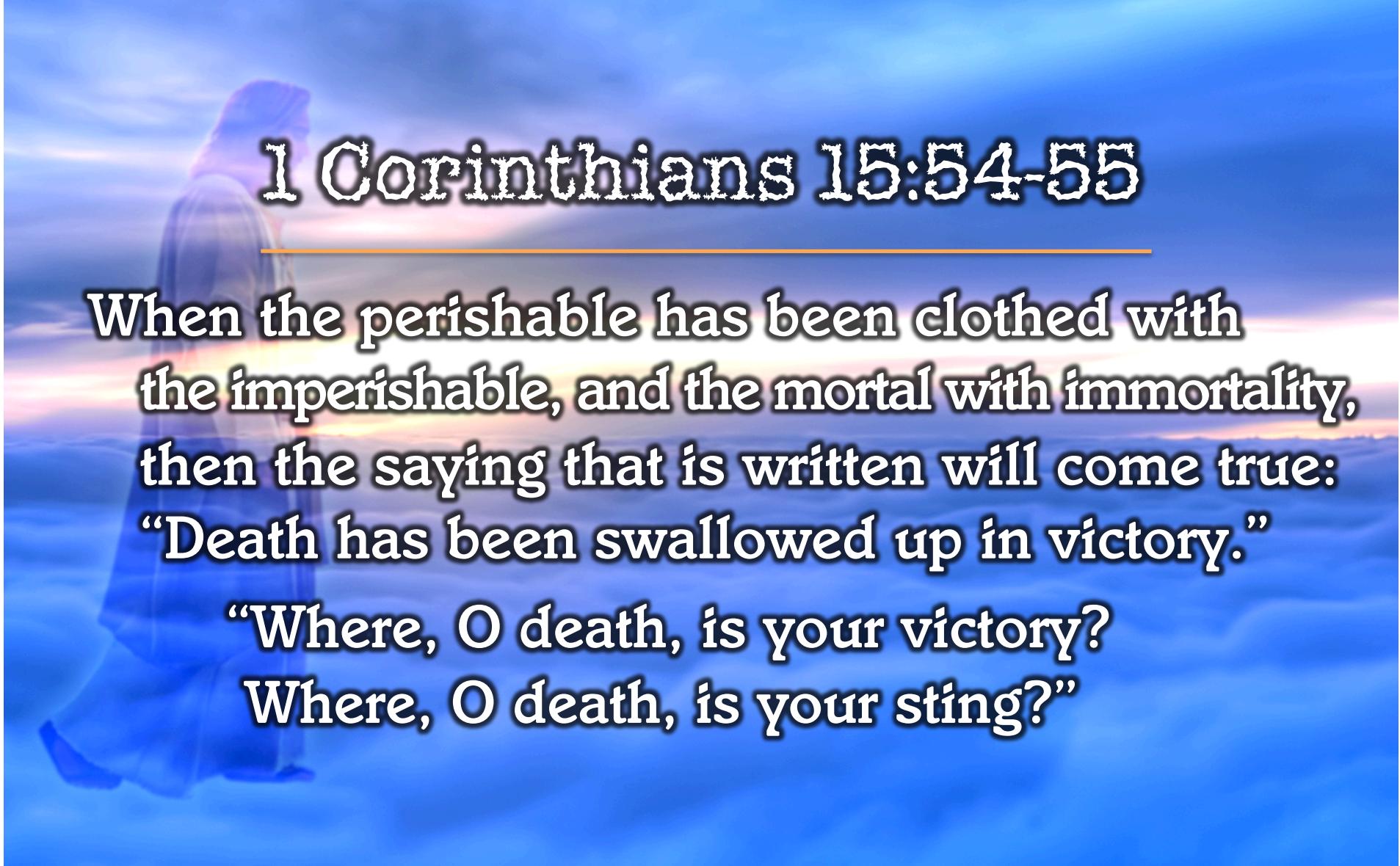


## **1 Corinthians 15:42-44**

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**So will it be with the resurrection of the dead.**

**The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable; it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body.**



## **1 Corinthians 15:54-55**

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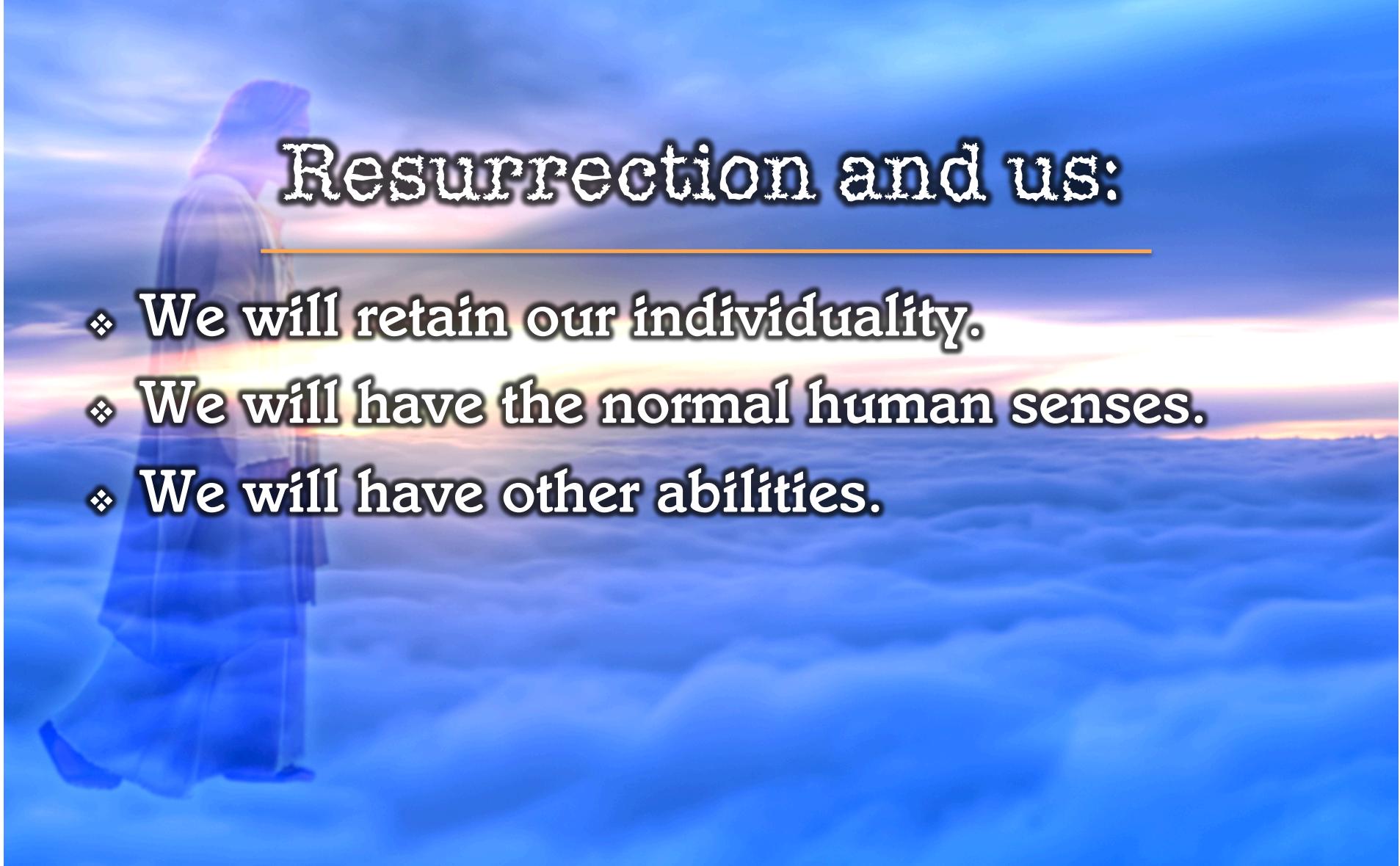
**When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: “Death has been swallowed up in victory.”**

**“Where, O death, is your victory?  
Where, O death, is your sting?”**

## **1 Corinthians 15:56-57**

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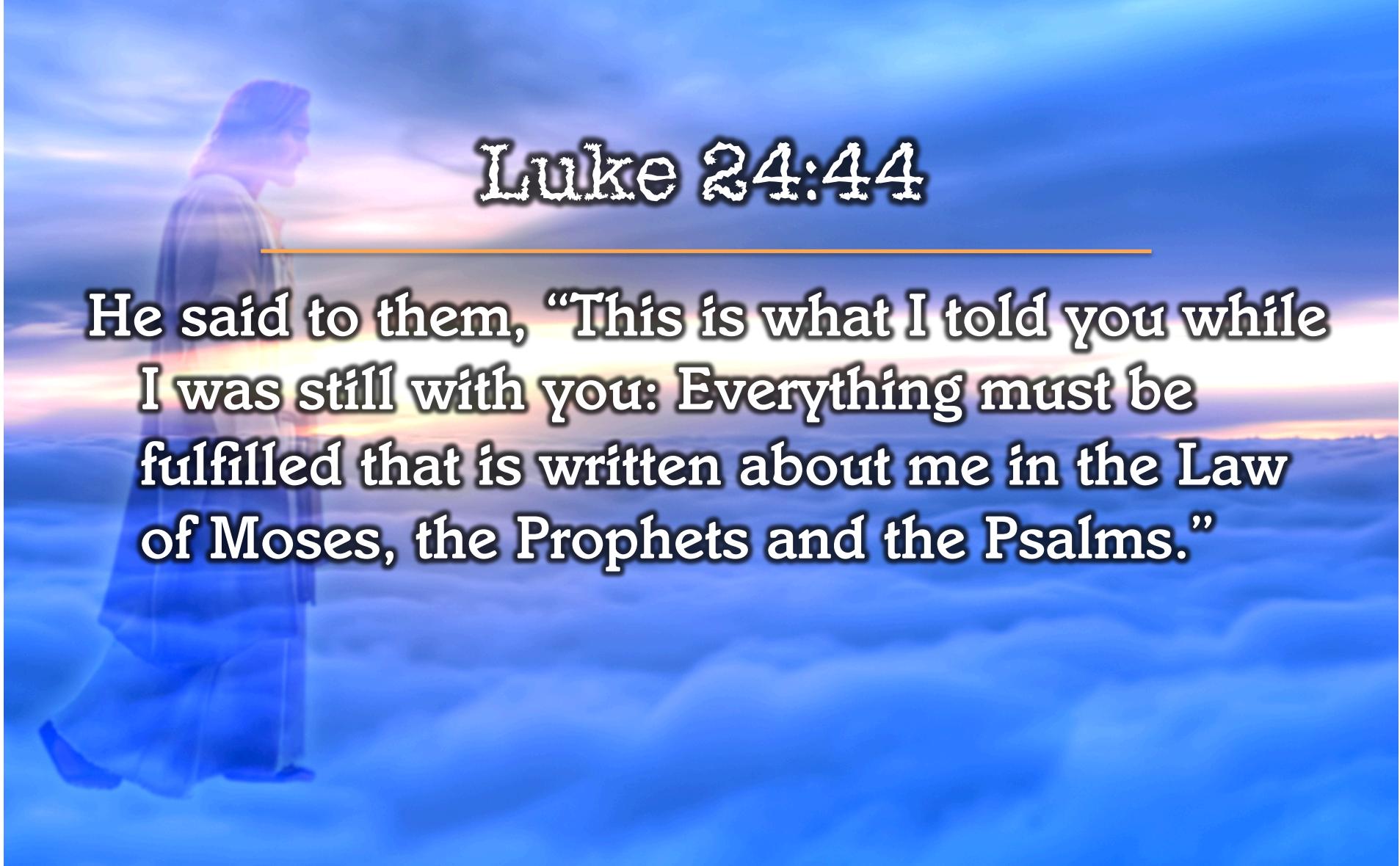
**The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin  
is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us  
the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**



# Resurrection and us:

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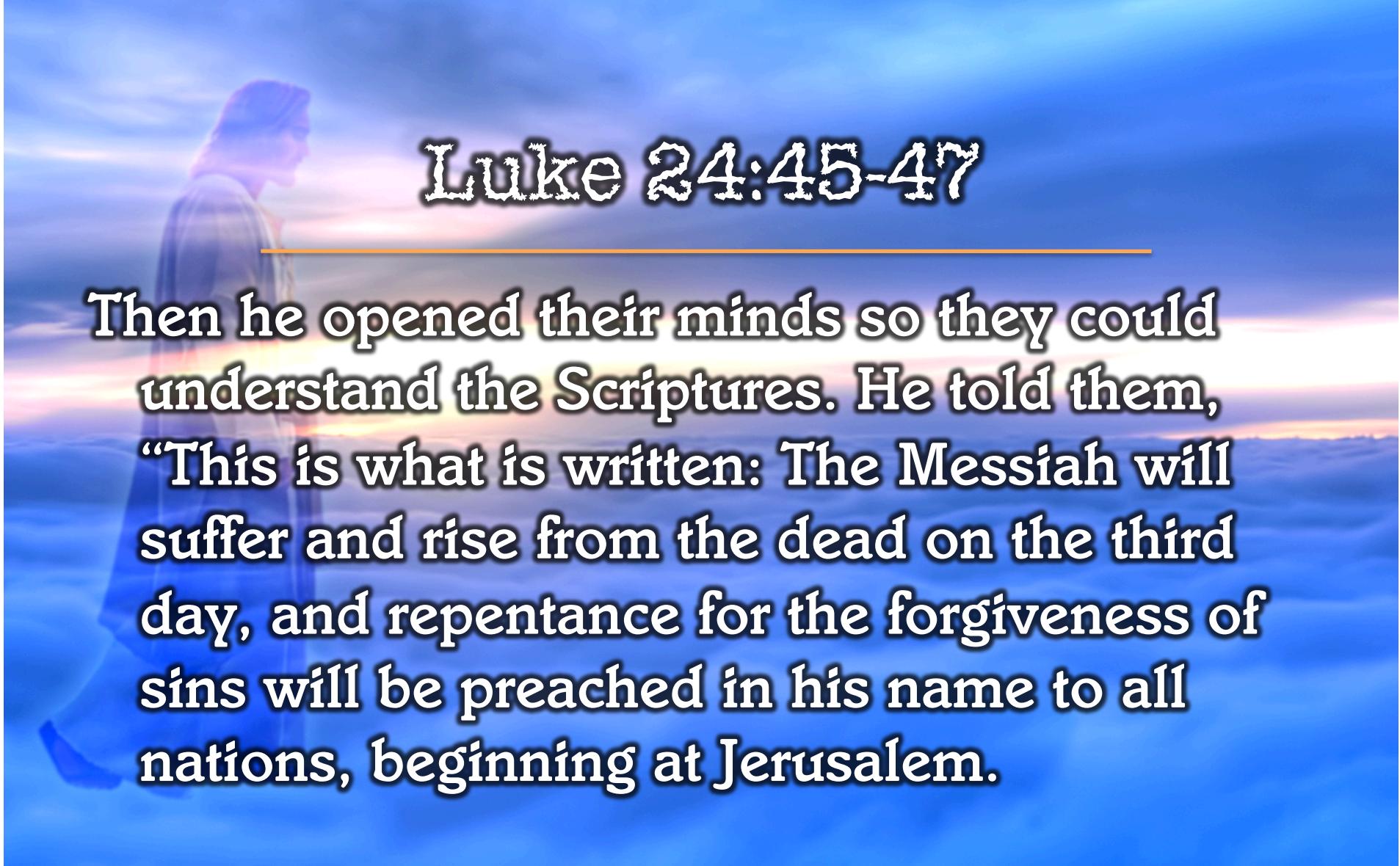
- ❖ We will retain our individuality.
- ❖ We will have the normal human senses.
- ❖ We will have other abilities.

A silhouette of Jesus walking on water at sunset. He is wearing a long robe and sandals, and his right hand is pointing towards the horizon. The background shows a beautiful sunset with orange and blue hues.

## Luke 24:44

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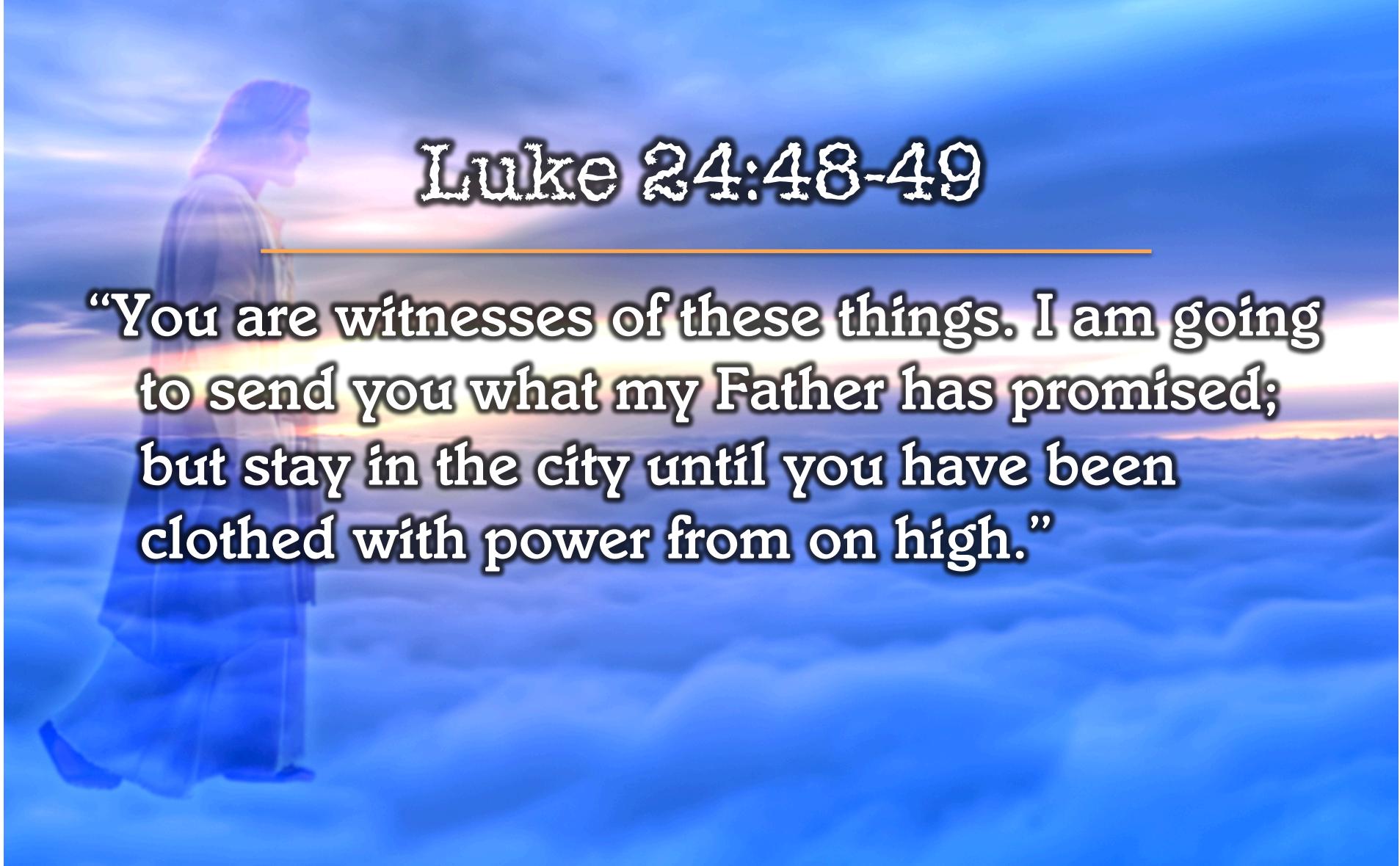
**He said to them, “This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.”**



## Luke 24:45-47

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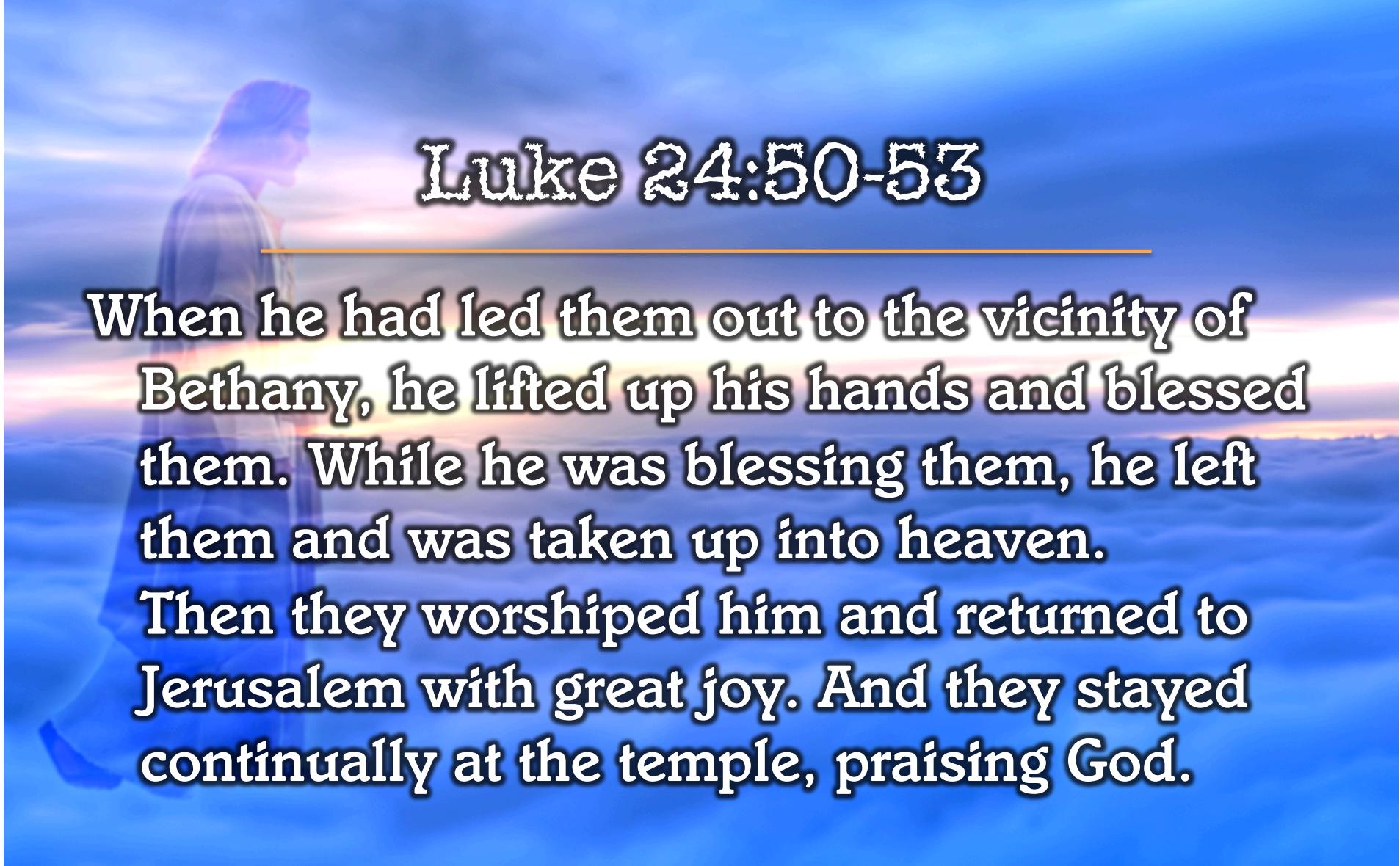
Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, “This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.



## Luke 24:48-49

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**“You are witnesses of these things. I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”**

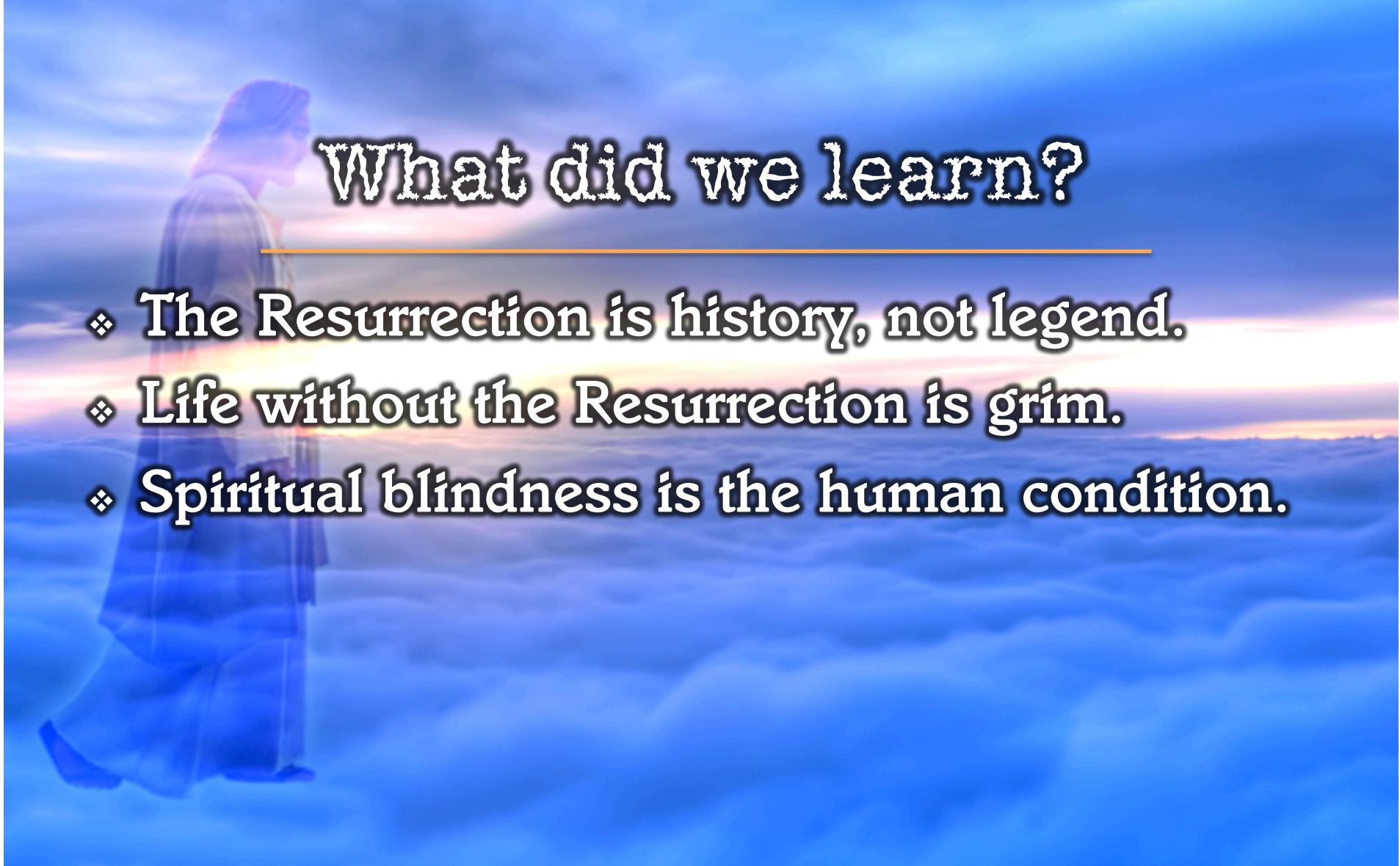


## Luke 24:50-53

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**When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven.**

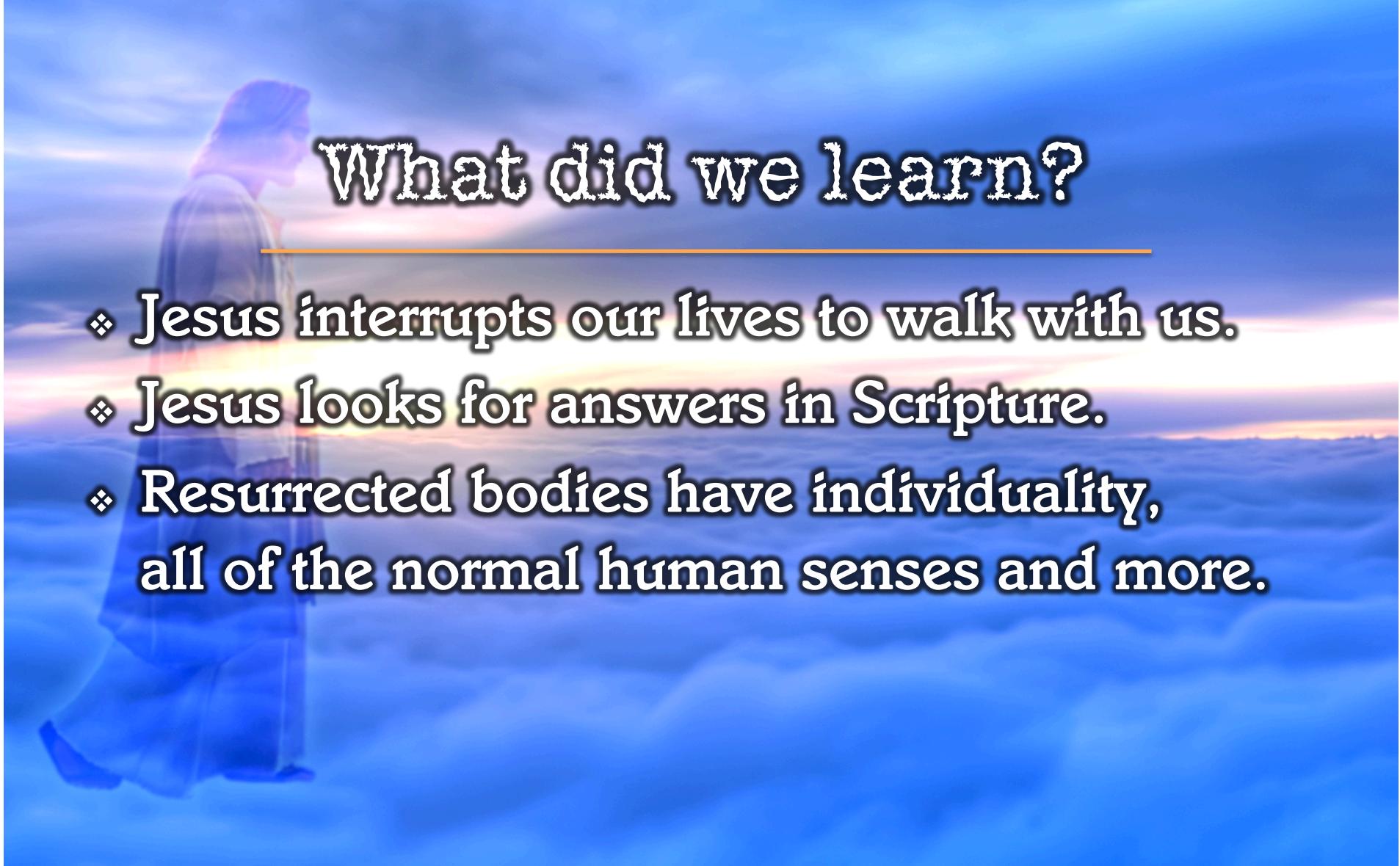
**Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.**



# What did we learn?

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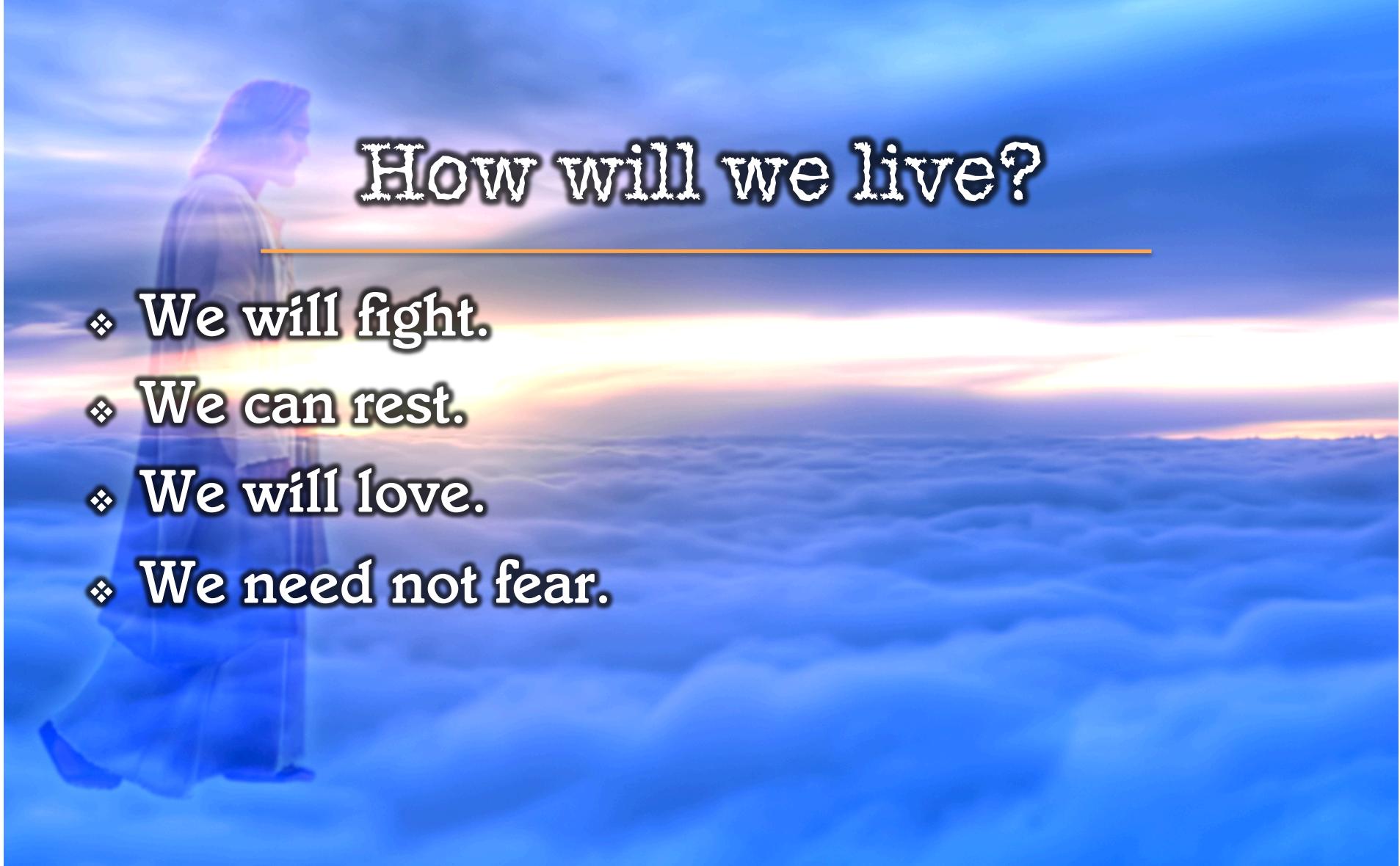
- ❖ The Resurrection is history, not legend.
- ❖ Life without the Resurrection is grim.
- ❖ Spiritual blindness is the human condition.



# What did we learn?

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- ❖ Jesus interrupts our lives to walk with us.
- ❖ Jesus looks for answers in Scripture.
- ❖ Resurrected bodies have individuality, all of the normal human senses and more.

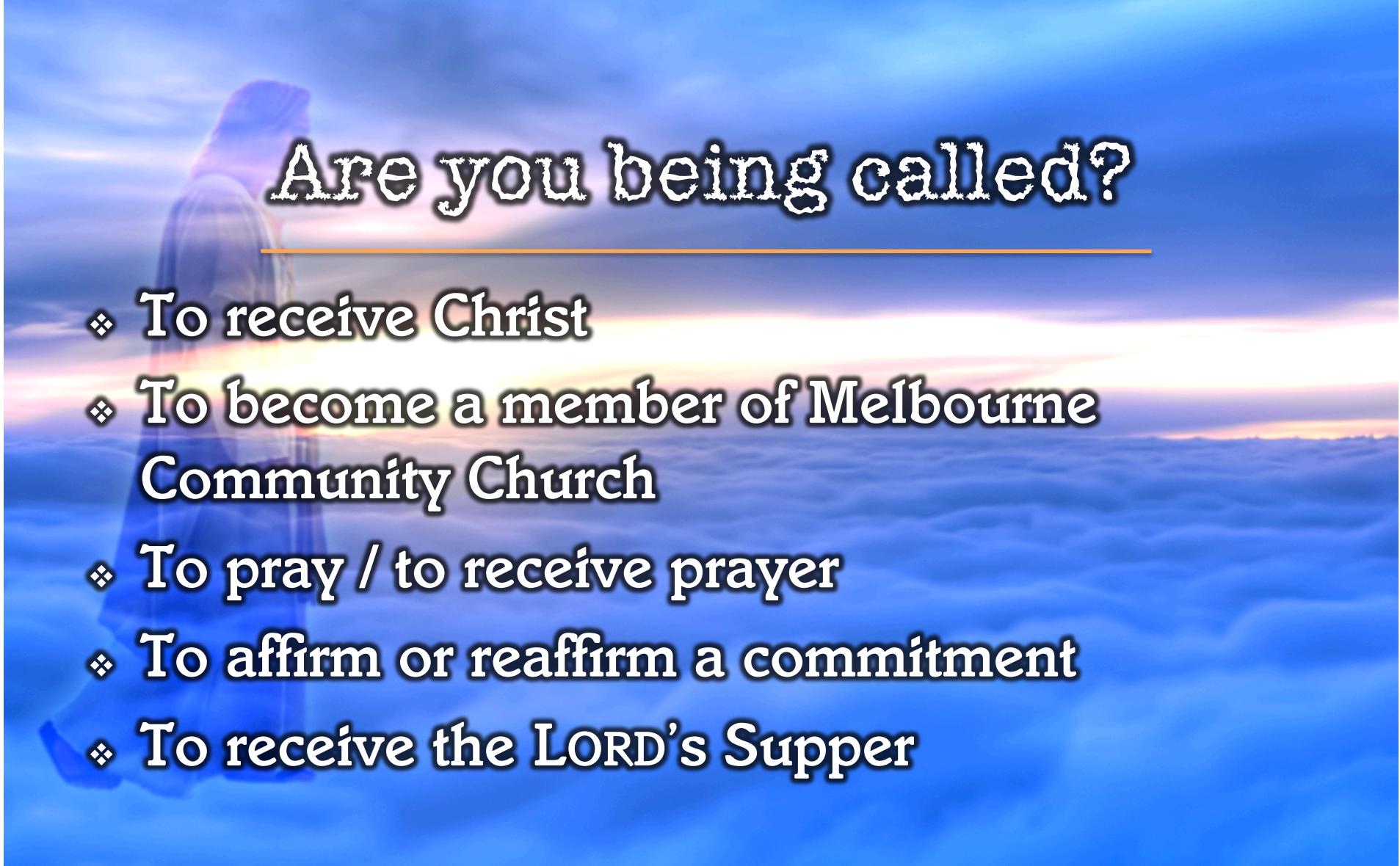
A photograph of a person from behind, walking along a beach towards the ocean. The sky is filled with soft, pastel-colored clouds in shades of blue, purple, and pink, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The ocean waves are visible in the foreground.

# How will we live?

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- ❖ We will fight.
- ❖ We can rest.
- ❖ We will love.
- ❖ We need not fear.





# Are you being called?

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- ❖ To receive Christ
- ❖ To become a member of Melbourne Community Church
- ❖ To pray / to receive prayer
- ❖ To affirm or reaffirm a commitment
- ❖ To receive the LORD's Supper