



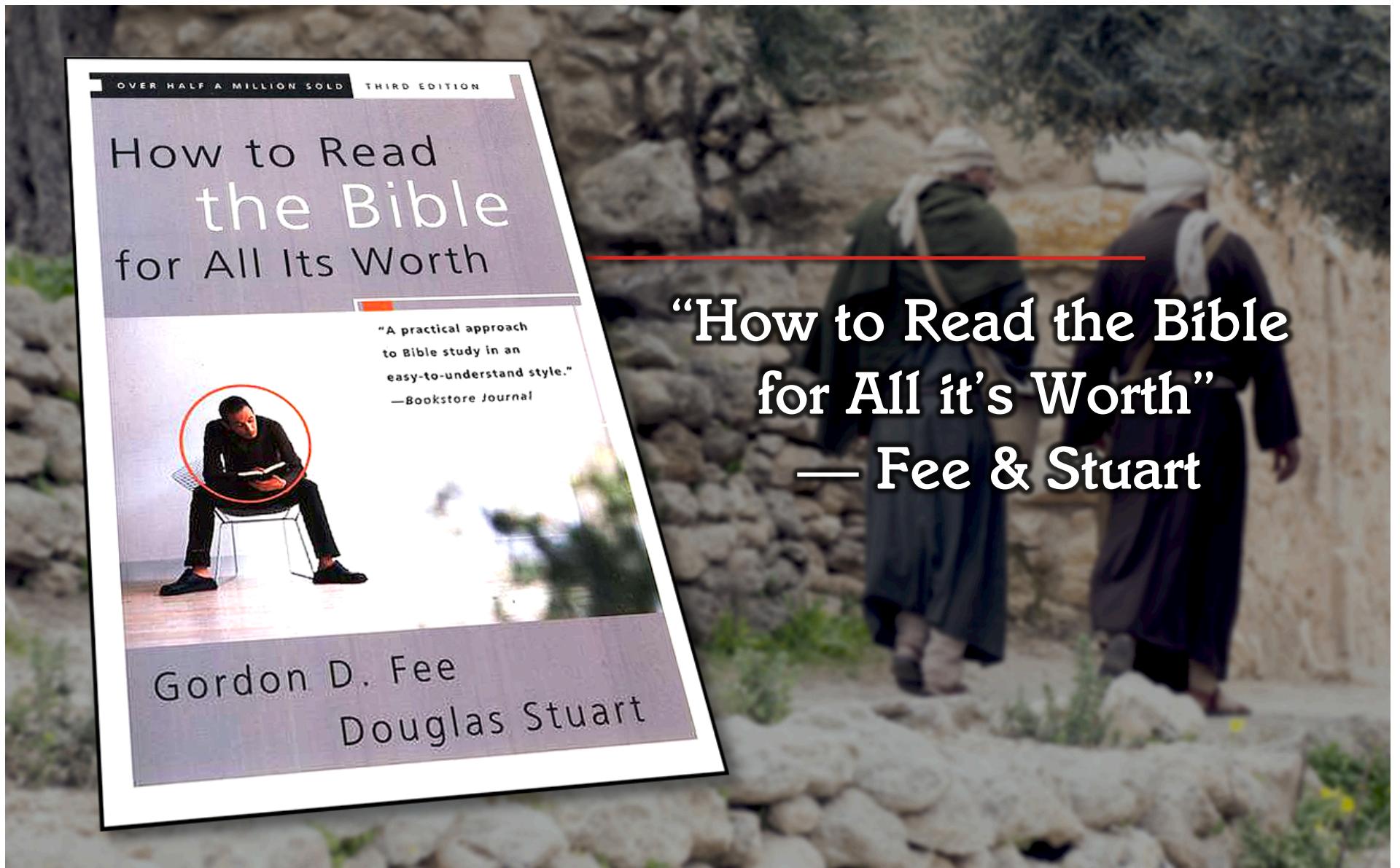
A photograph showing two men in traditional Middle Eastern or Biblical-style clothing walking away from the camera. They are wearing long robes, turbans, and carrying simple bags. They are walking on a dirt path next to a stone wall made of large, irregular stones. An olive tree branch hangs over the wall on the right side.

# “Just As Your Father”

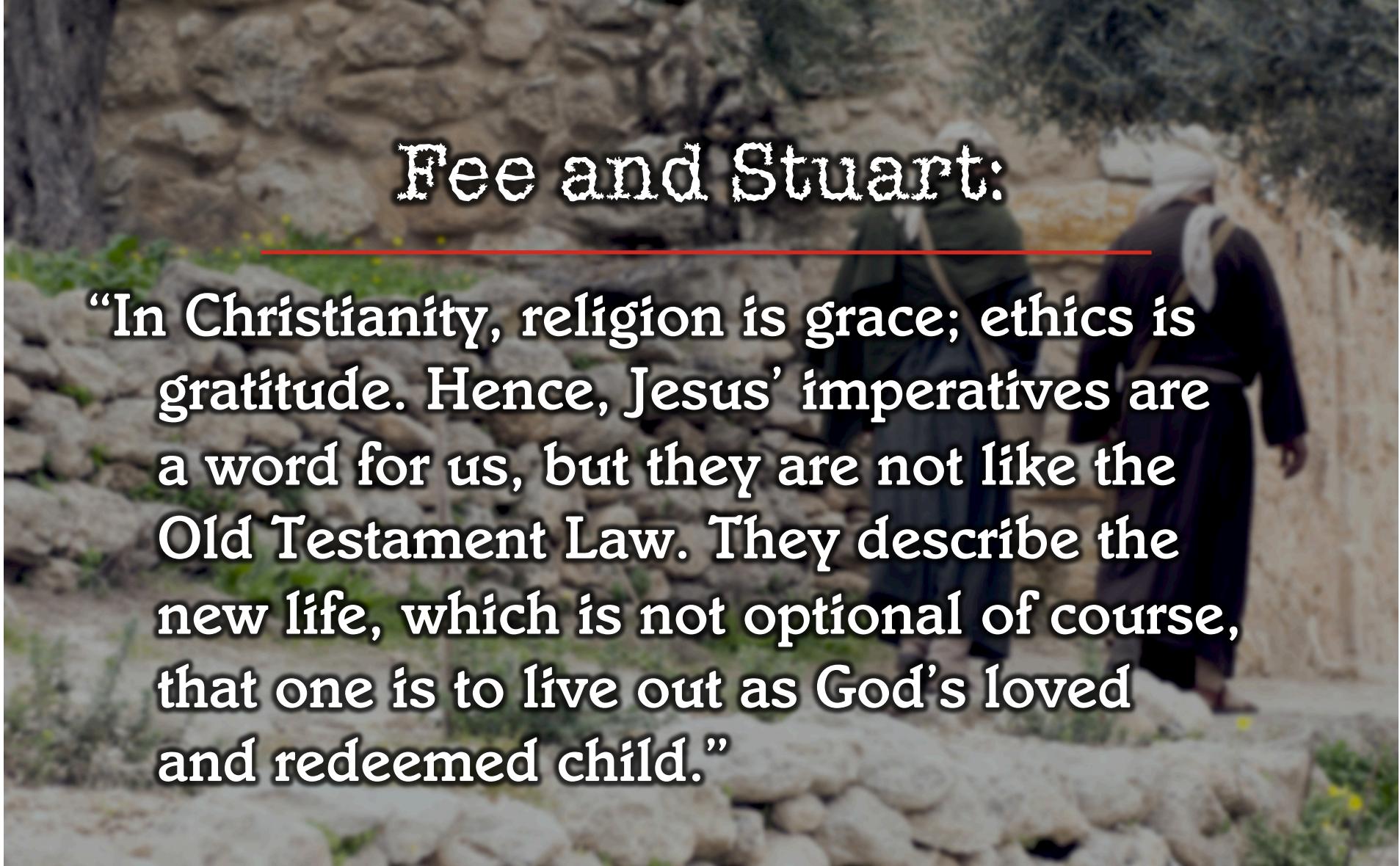
Luke 6:27-49

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Curt Deming  
Melbourne Community Church  
March 10, 2019



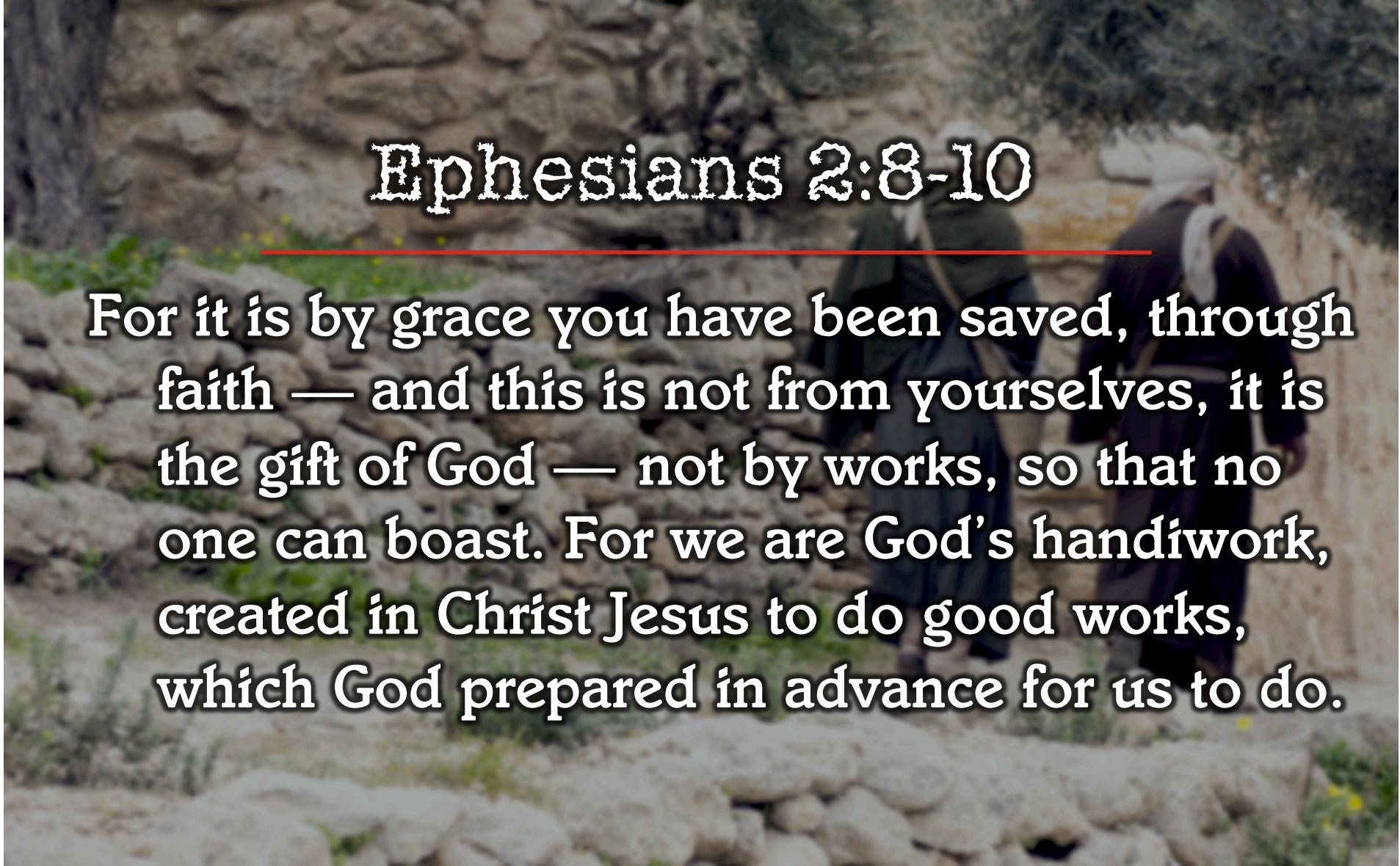
## "How to Read the Bible for All its Worth" — Fee & Stuart



## Fee and Stuart:

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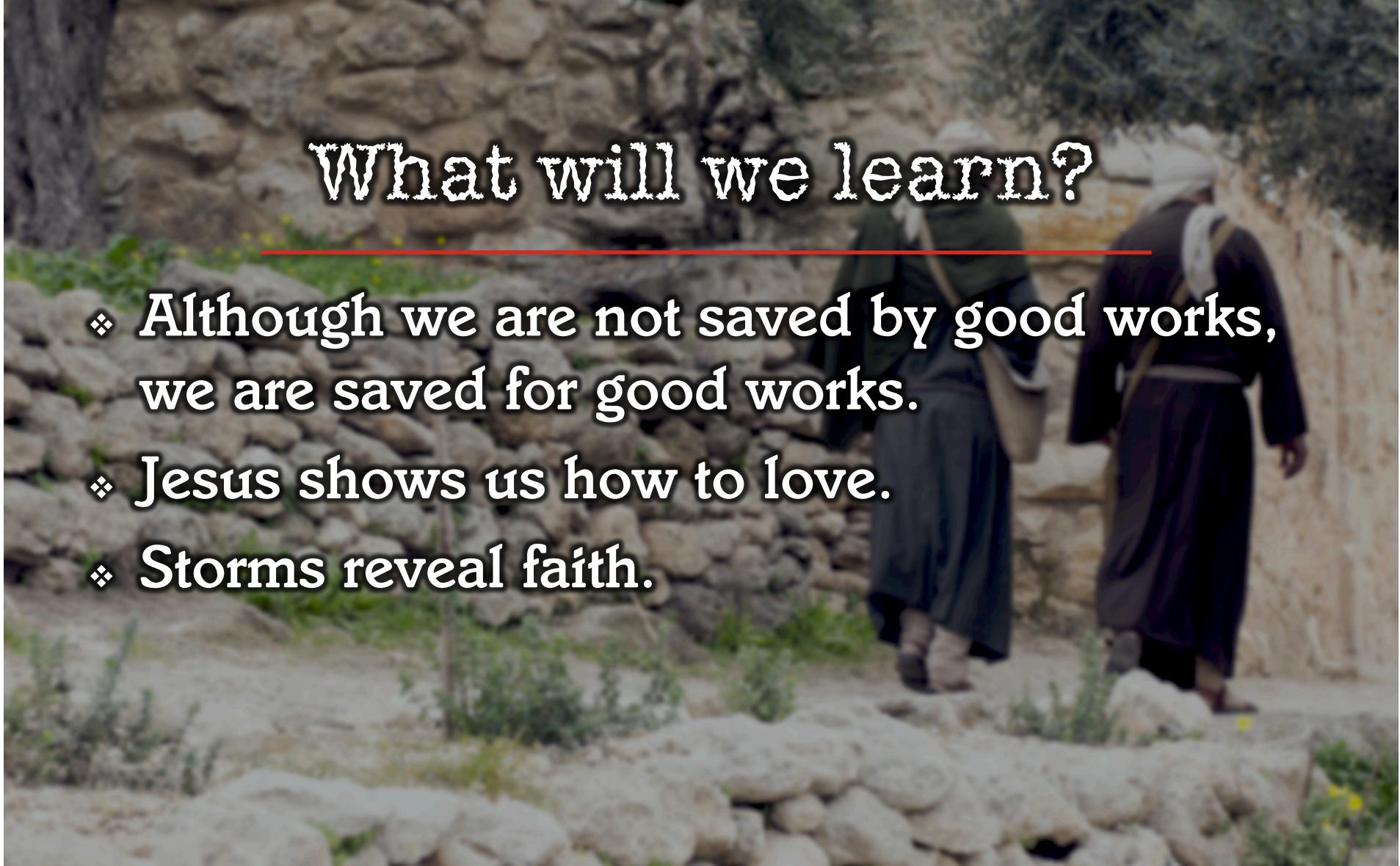
**“In Christianity, religion is grace; ethics is gratitude. Hence, Jesus’ imperatives are a word for us, but they are not like the Old Testament Law. They describe the new life, which is not optional of course, that one is to live out as God’s loved and redeemed child.”**



## Ephesians 2:8-10

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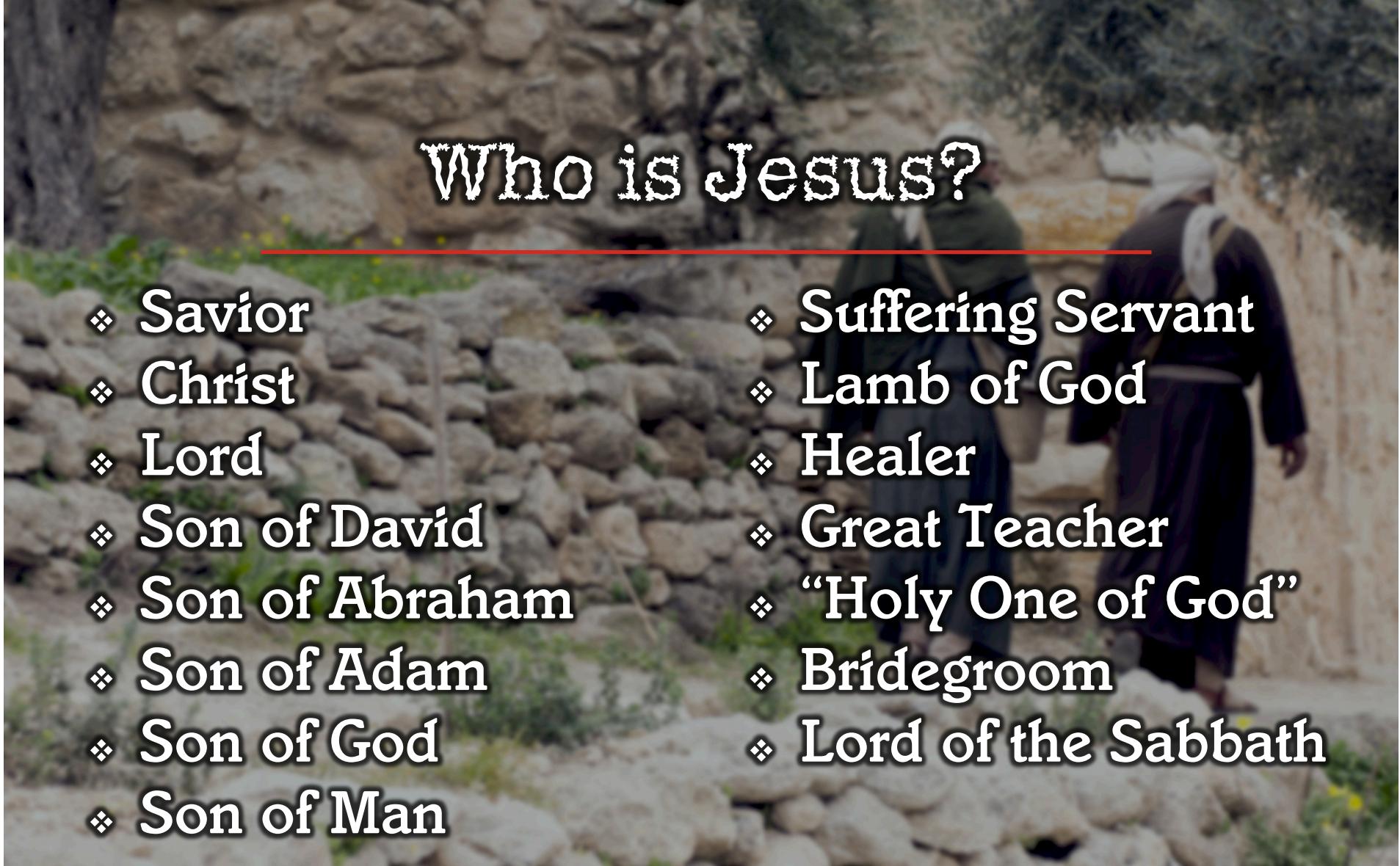
For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith — and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God — not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.



## What will we learn?

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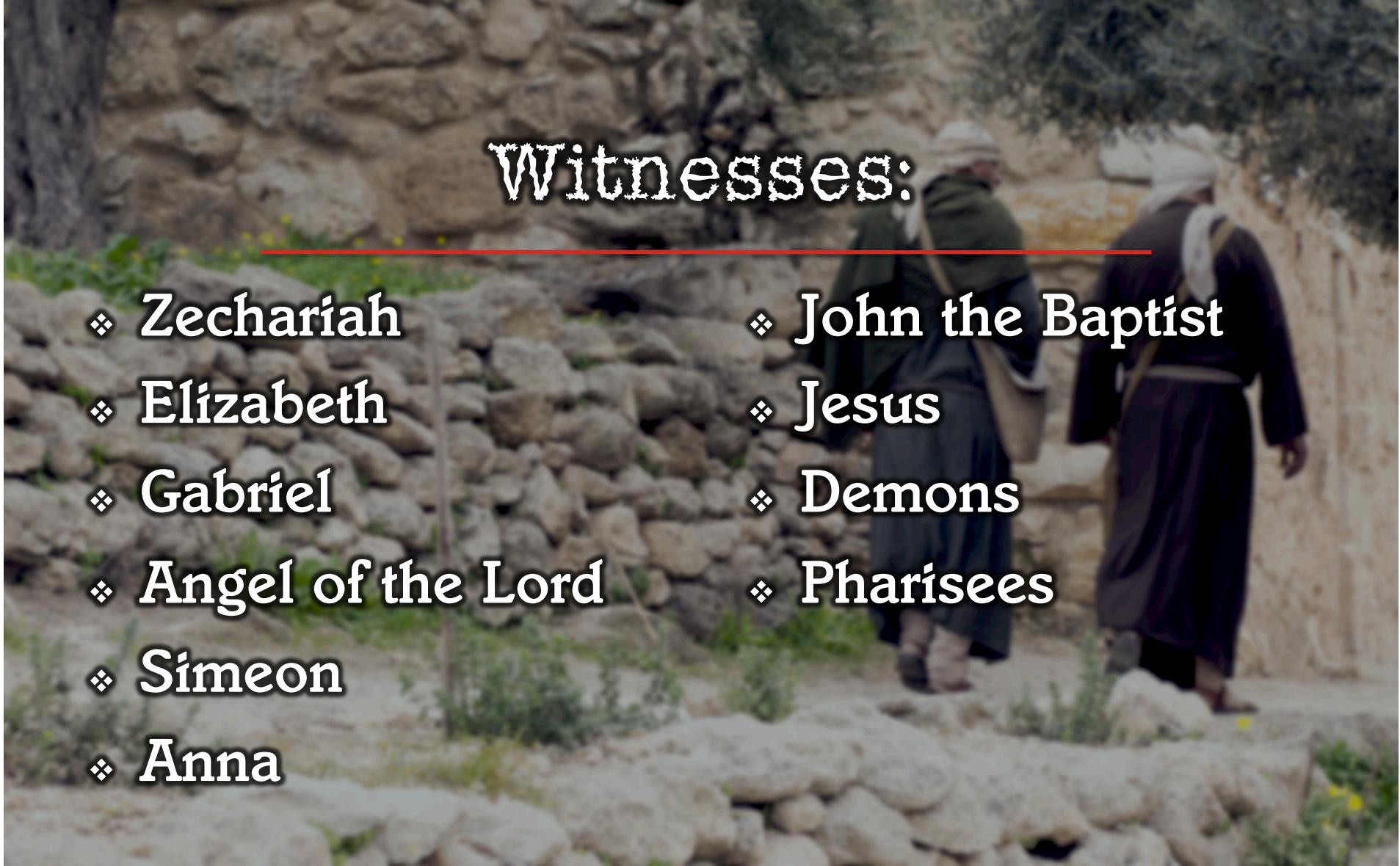
- ❖ Although we are not saved by good works, we are saved for good works.
- ❖ Jesus shows us how to love.
- ❖ Storms reveal faith.



# Who is Jesus?

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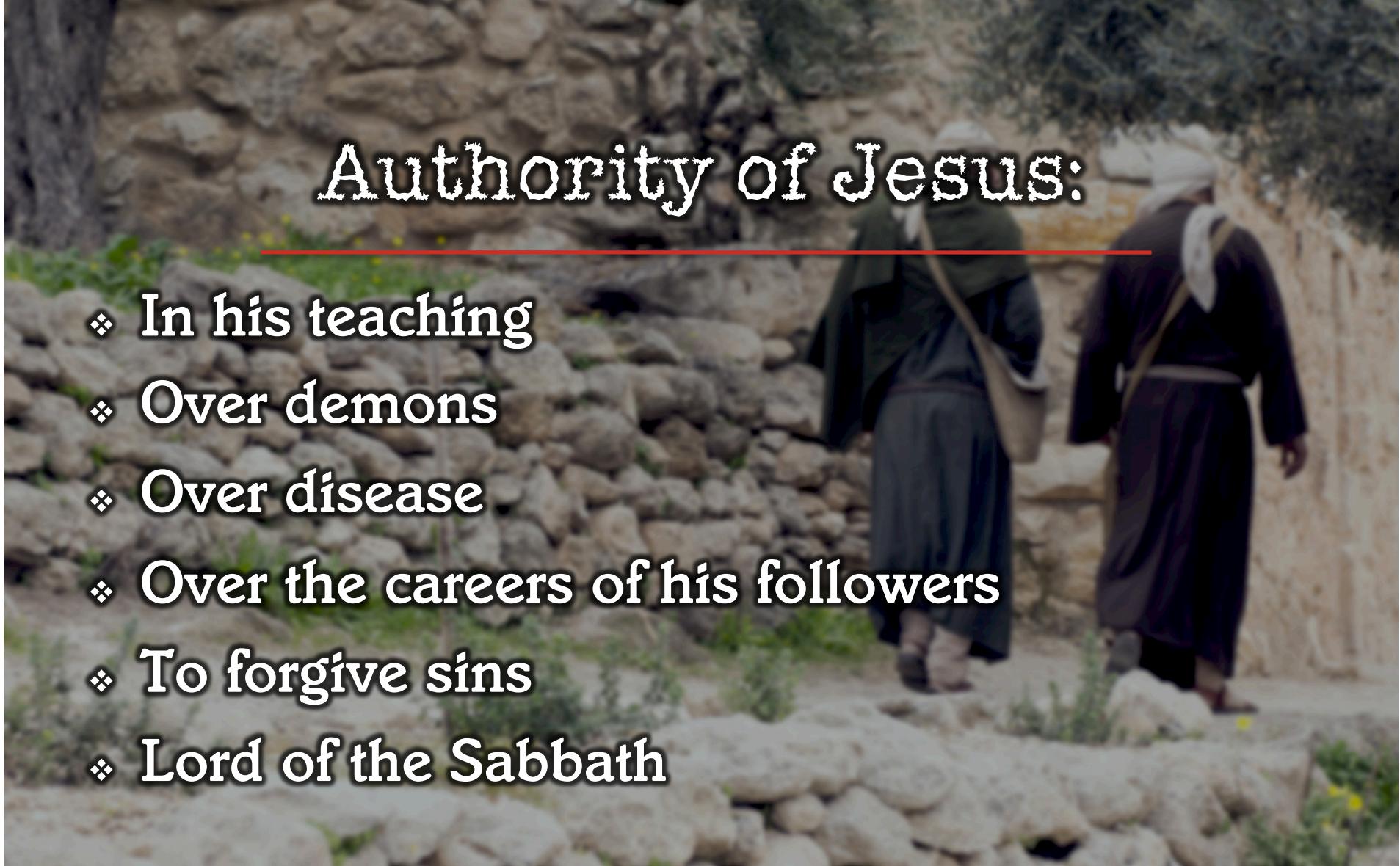
- ❖ Savior
- ❖ Christ
- ❖ Lord
- ❖ Son of David
- ❖ Son of Abraham
- ❖ Son of Adam
- ❖ Son of God
- ❖ Son of Man
- ❖ Suffering Servant
- ❖ Lamb of God
- ❖ Healer
- ❖ Great Teacher
- ❖ “Holy One of God”
- ❖ Bridegroom
- ❖ Lord of the Sabbath



## Witnesses:

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- ❖ Zechariah
- ❖ Elizabeth
- ❖ Gabriel
- ❖ Angel of the Lord
- ❖ Simeon
- ❖ Anna
- ❖ John the Baptist
- ❖ Jesus
- ❖ Demons
- ❖ Pharisees



## Authority of Jesus:

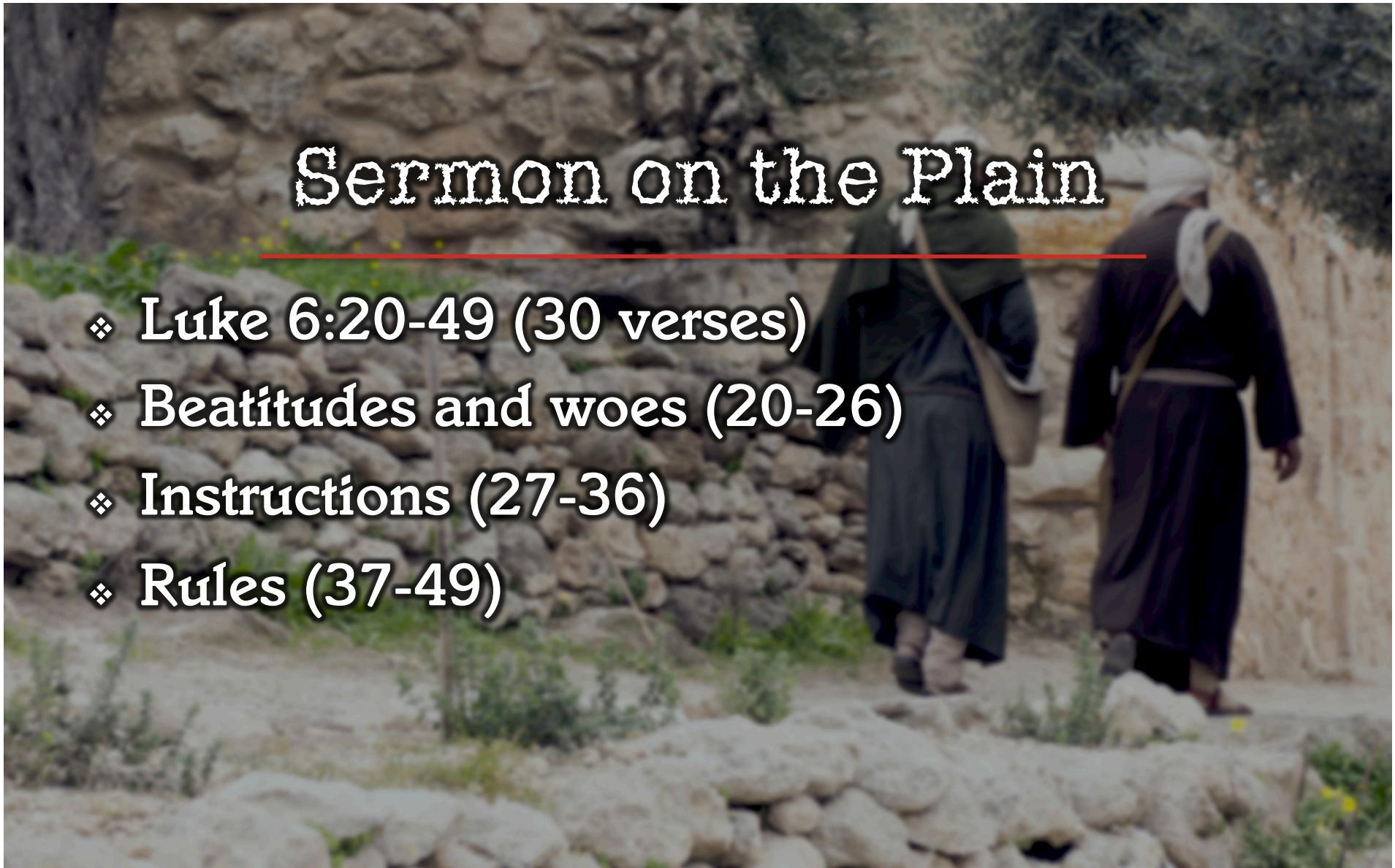
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- ❖ In his teaching
- ❖ Over demons
- ❖ Over disease
- ❖ Over the careers of his followers
- ❖ To forgive sins
- ❖ Lord of the Sabbath

# Sermon on the Plain

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- ❖ Luke 6:20-49 (30 verses)
- ❖ Beatitudes and woes (20-26)
- ❖ Instructions (27-36)
- ❖ Rules (37-49)





## God's attention:

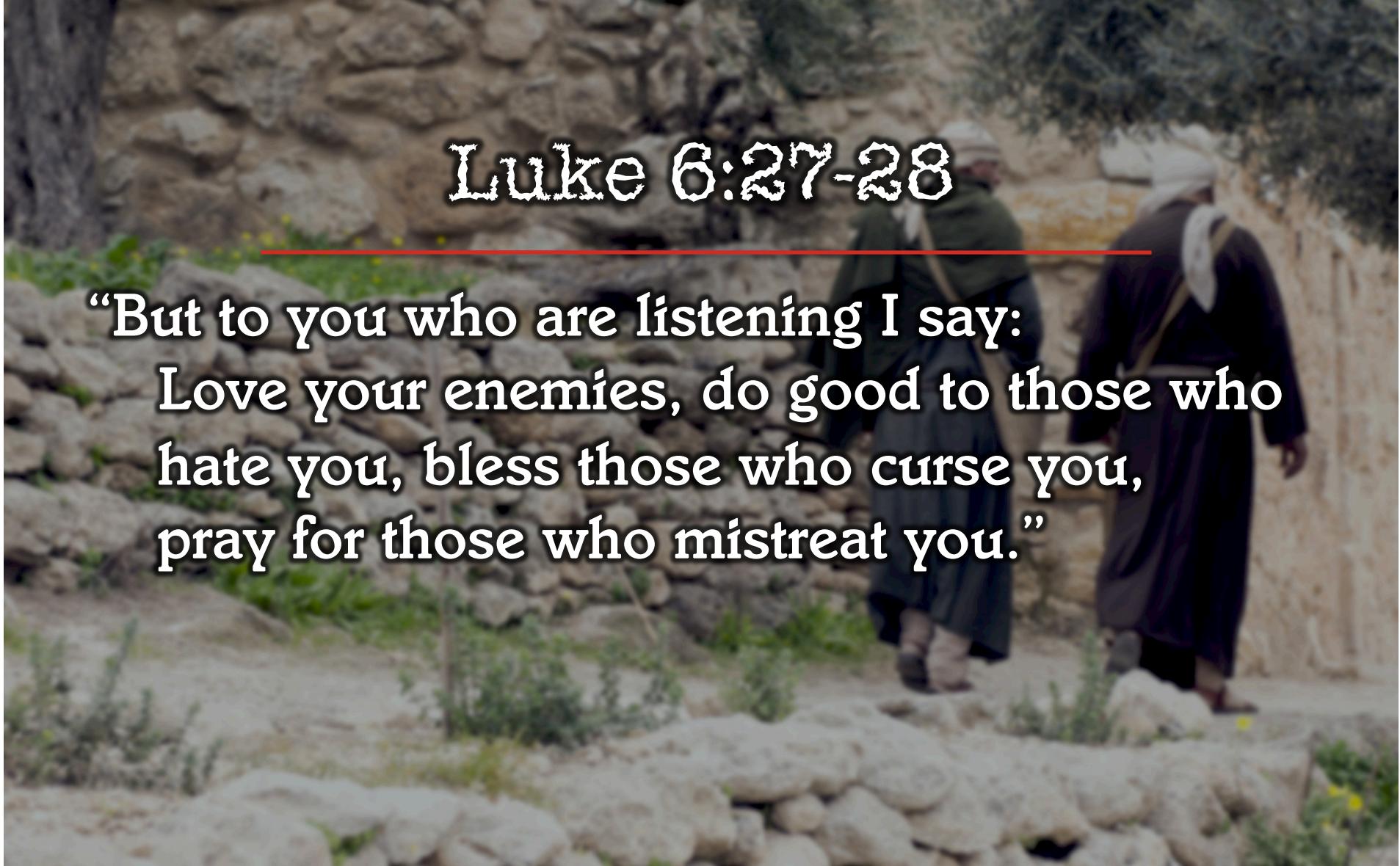
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### Honor:

- ❖ Poor
- ❖ Hungry
- ❖ Mourners
- ❖ Rejects

### Dishonor:

- ❖ Comfortable
- ❖ Satisfied
- ❖ Mockers
- ❖ People-pleasers



Luke 6:27-28

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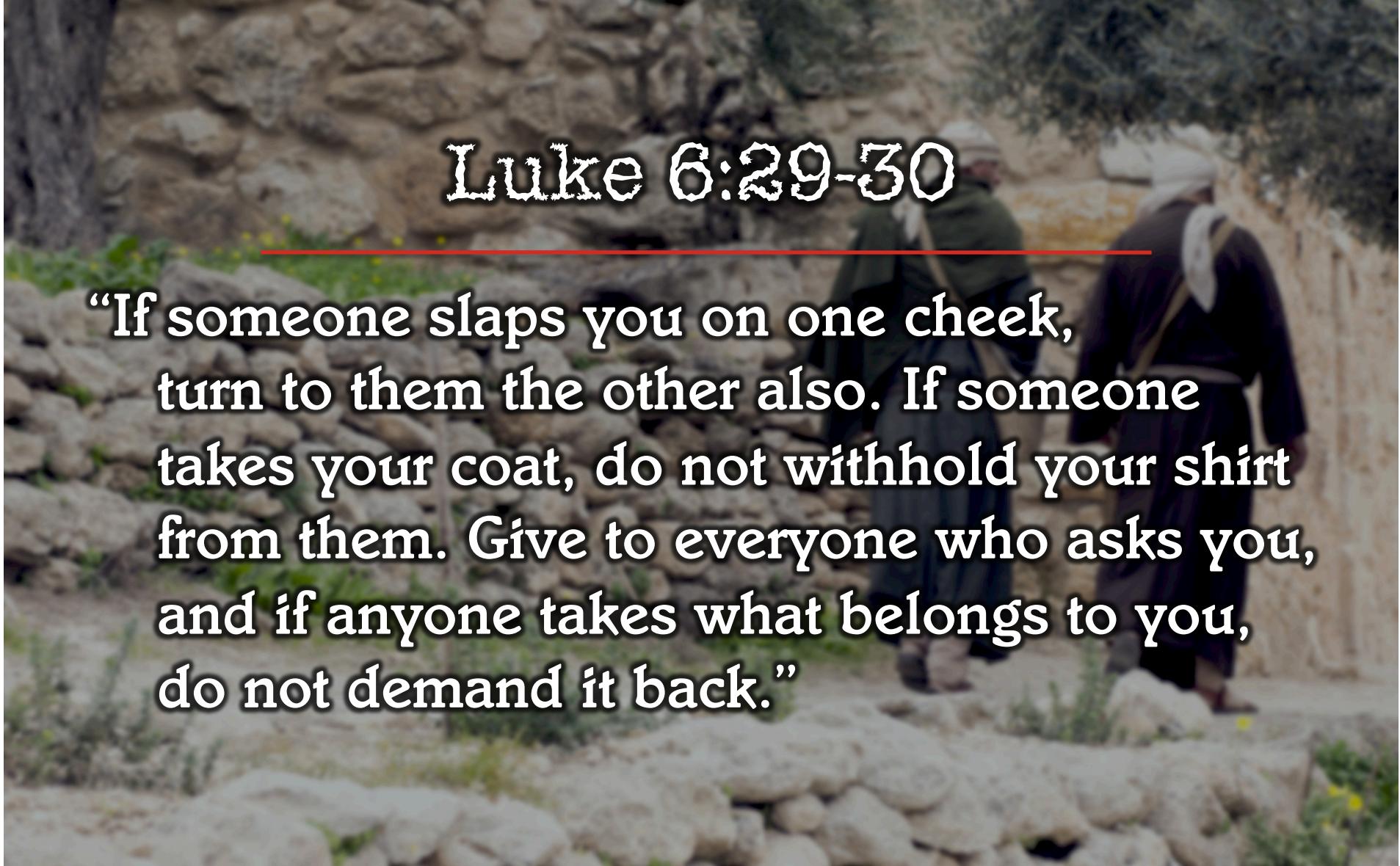
**“But to you who are listening I say:  
Love your enemies, do good to those who  
hate you, bless those who curse you,  
pray for those who mistreat you.”**

A photograph of two people, likely monks or ascetics, walking away from the viewer. They are dressed in traditional dark robes with white head coverings. The background consists of a stone wall and some low-lying greenery.

Love

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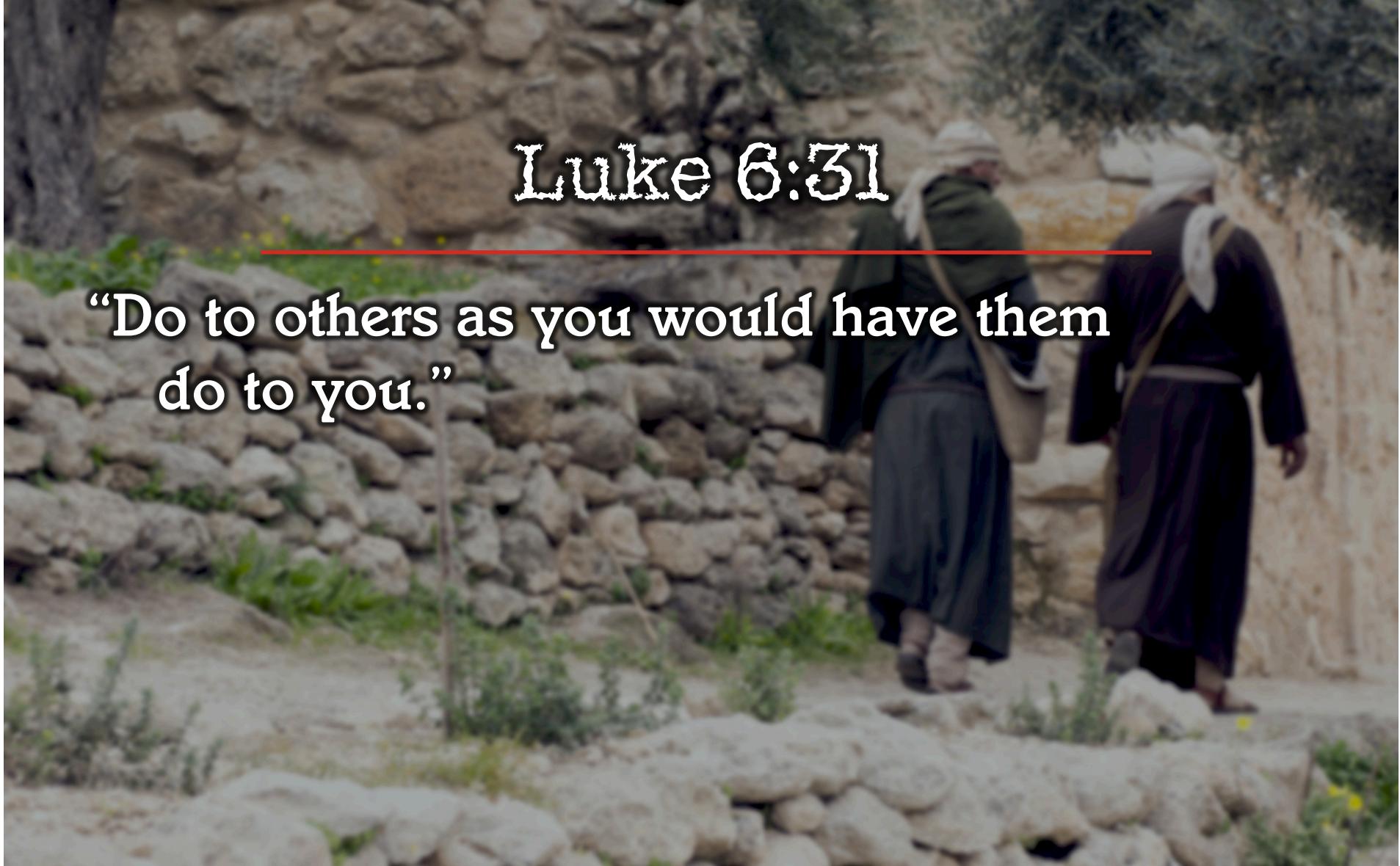
- ❖ Storge
- ❖ Eros
- ❖ Philia
- ❖ Agape



## Luke 6:29-30

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**“If someone slaps you on one cheek,  
turn to them the other also. If someone  
takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt  
from them. Give to everyone who asks you,  
and if anyone takes what belongs to you,  
do not demand it back.”**



Luke 6:31

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**“Do to others as you would have them  
do to you.”**

A photograph showing two individuals in traditional, dark-colored robes and turbans walking away from the camera. They are walking on a path made of large, irregular stones. In the background, there is a low wall constructed from the same type of stones. Some sparse greenery and small yellow flowers are visible between the stones.

## Golden Rule:

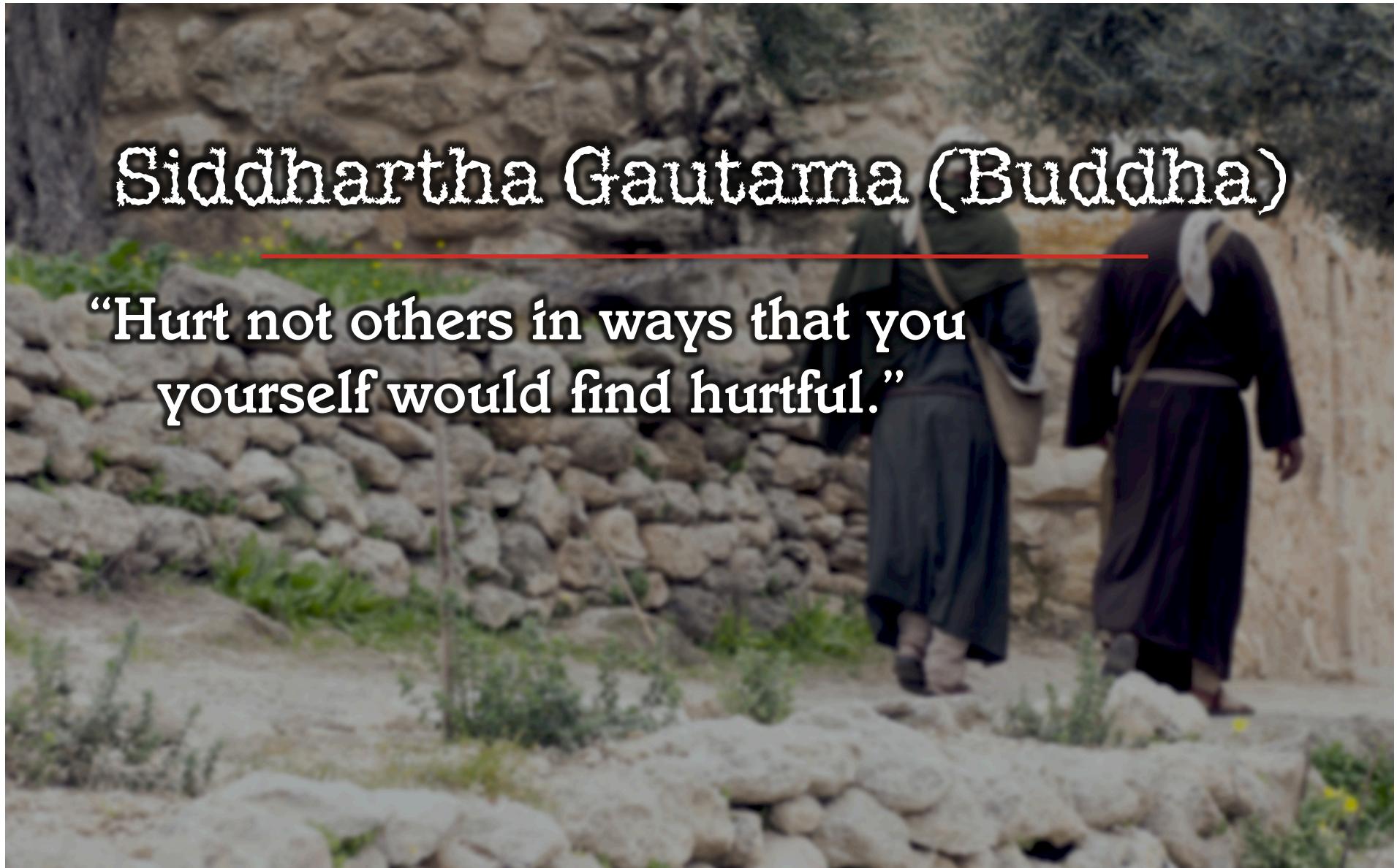
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- ❖ Homer
- ❖ Seneca
- ❖ Tobit
- ❖ 2 Enoch
- ❖ Philo

# Siddhartha Gautama (Buddha)

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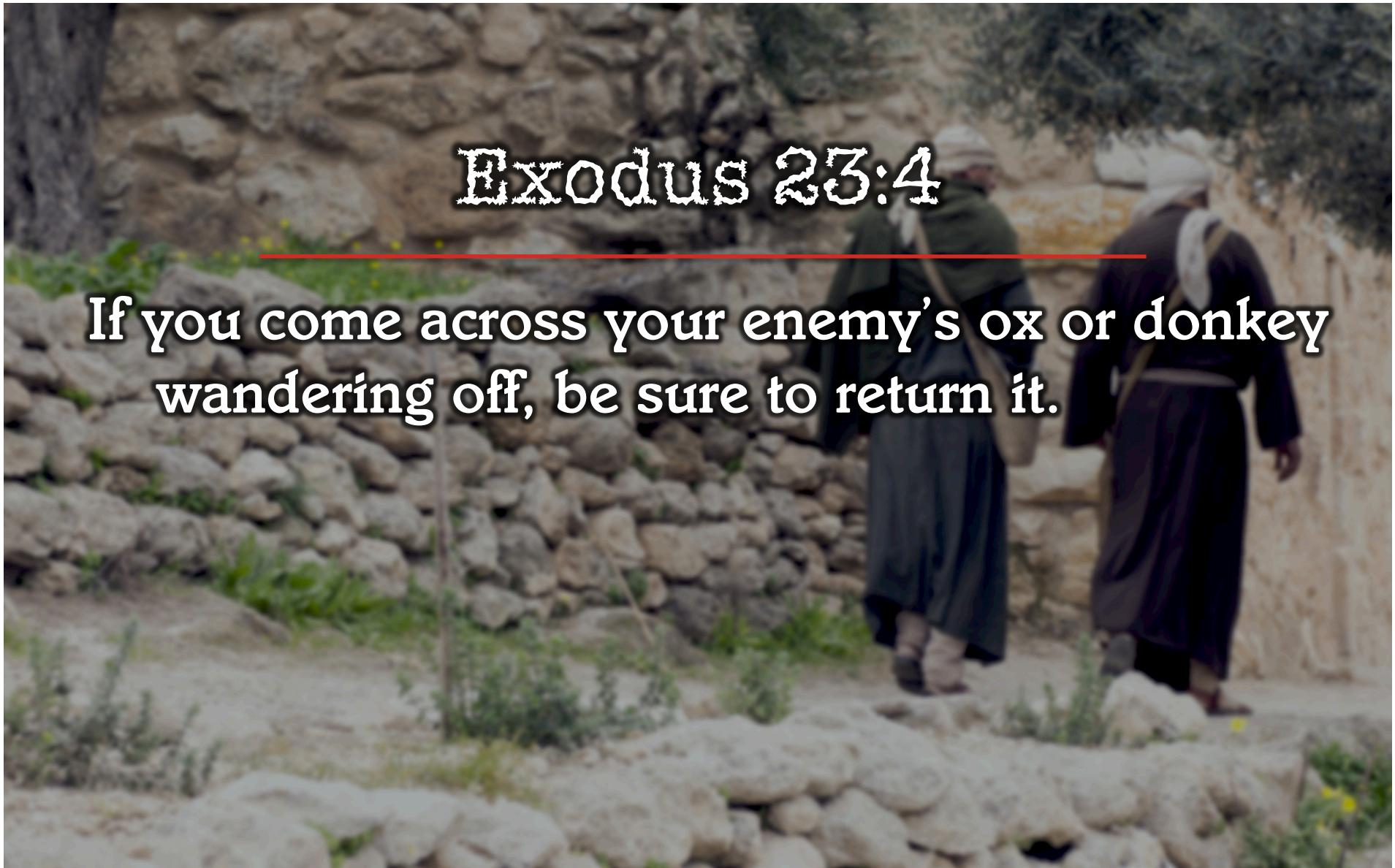
**“Hurt not others in ways that you  
yourself would find hurtful.”**



## **Exodus 23:4**

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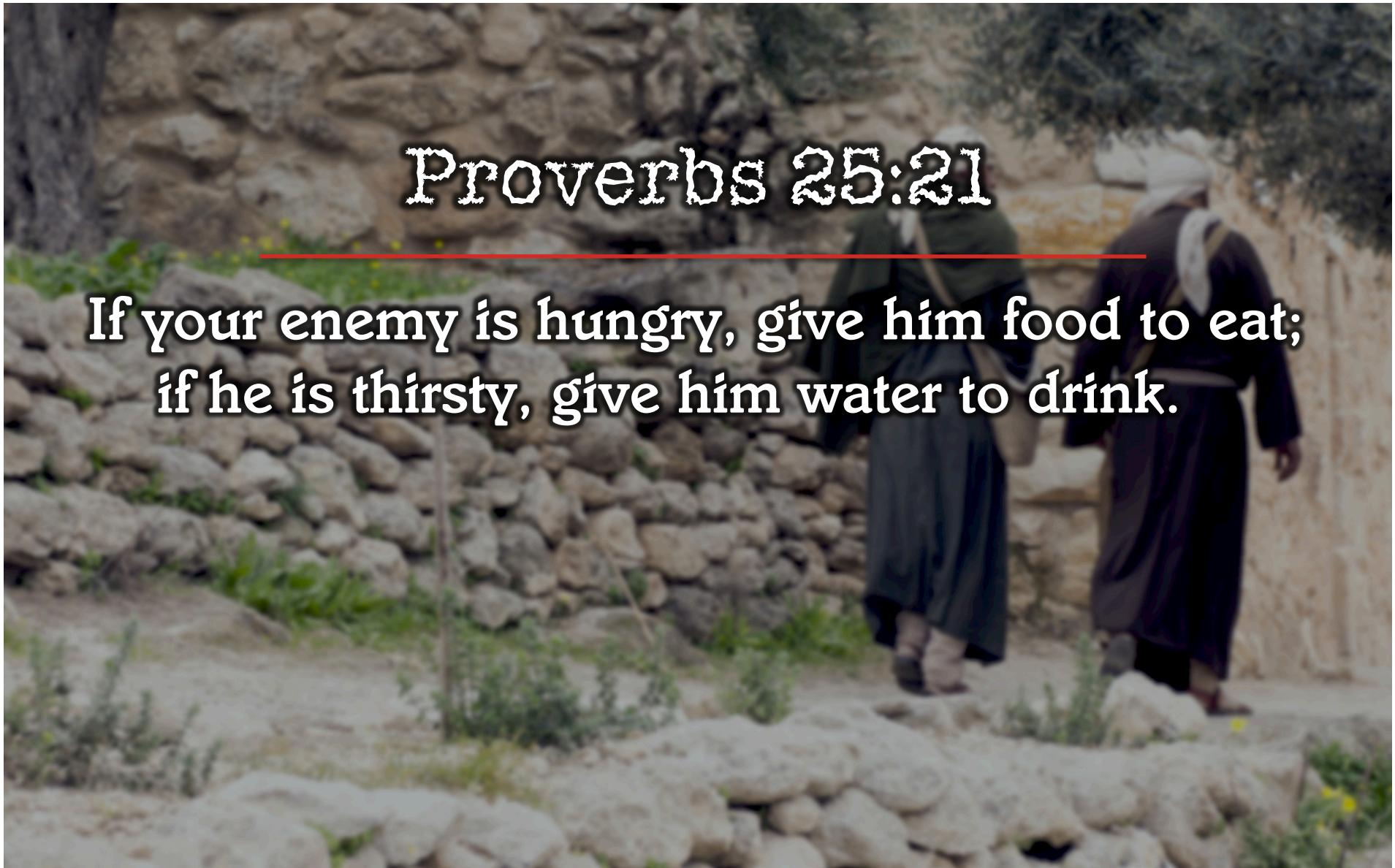
**If you come across your enemy's ox or donkey wandering off, be sure to return it.**

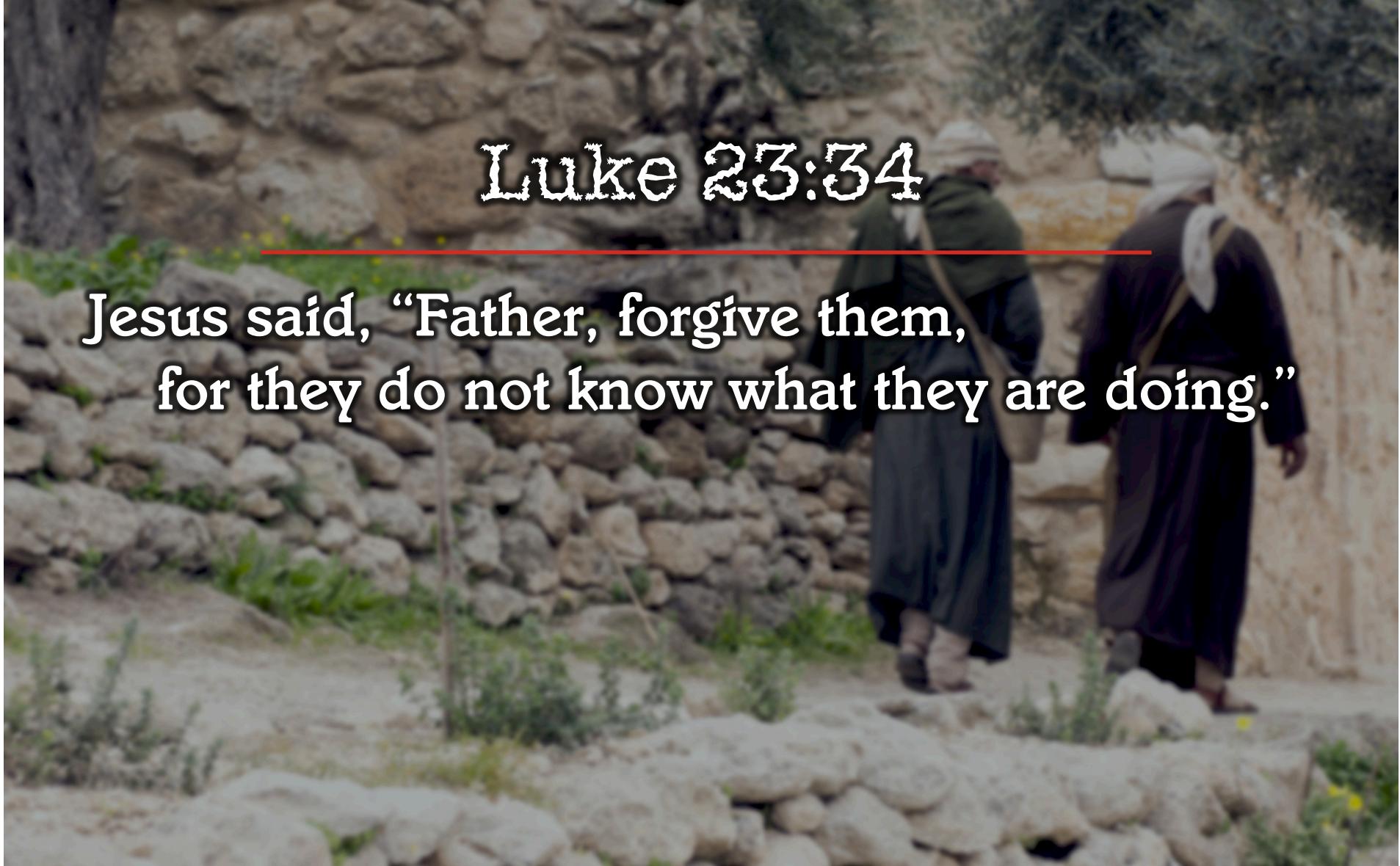


## Proverbs 25:21

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If your enemy is hungry, give him food to eat;  
if he is thirsty, give him water to drink.

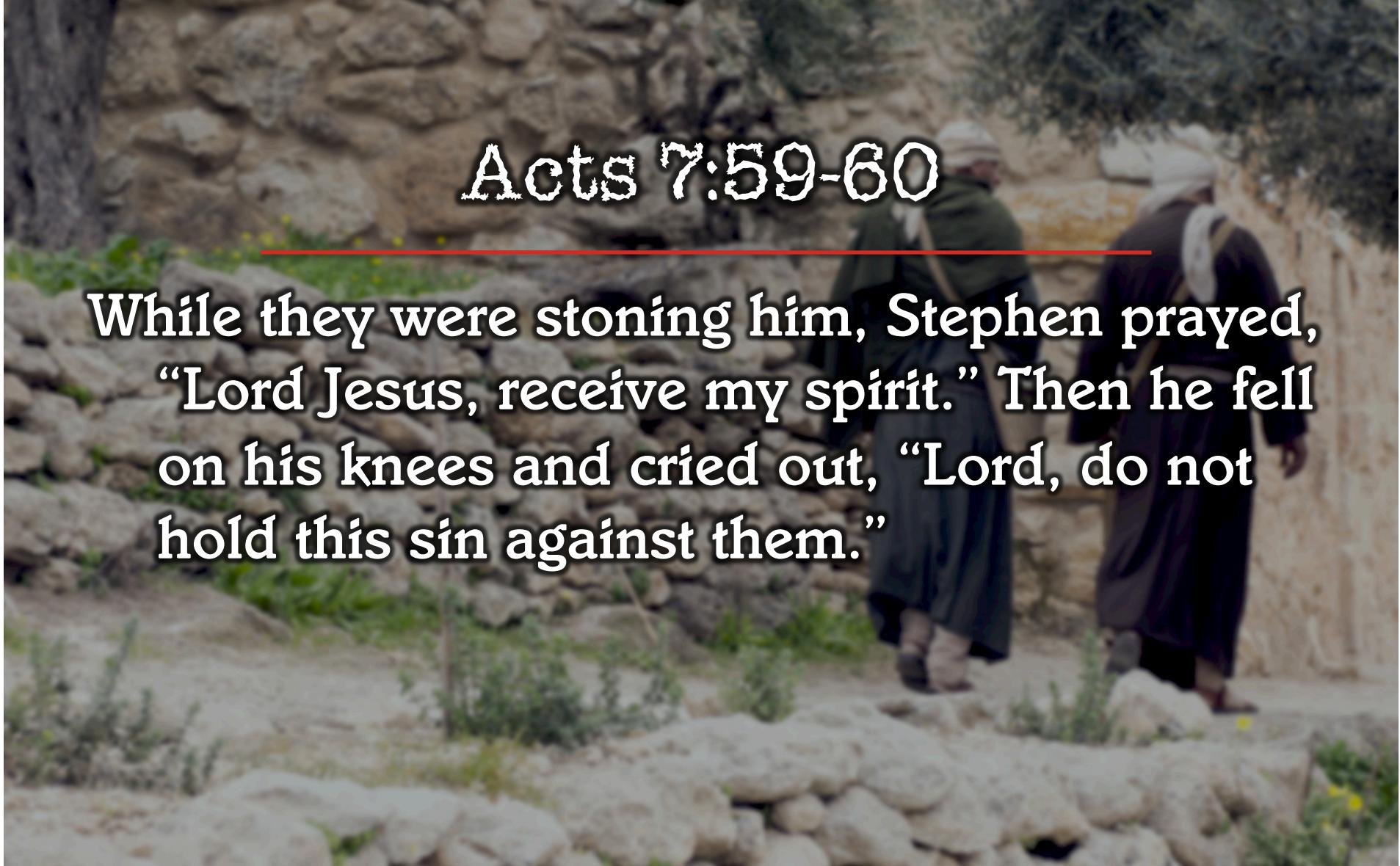




Luke 23:34

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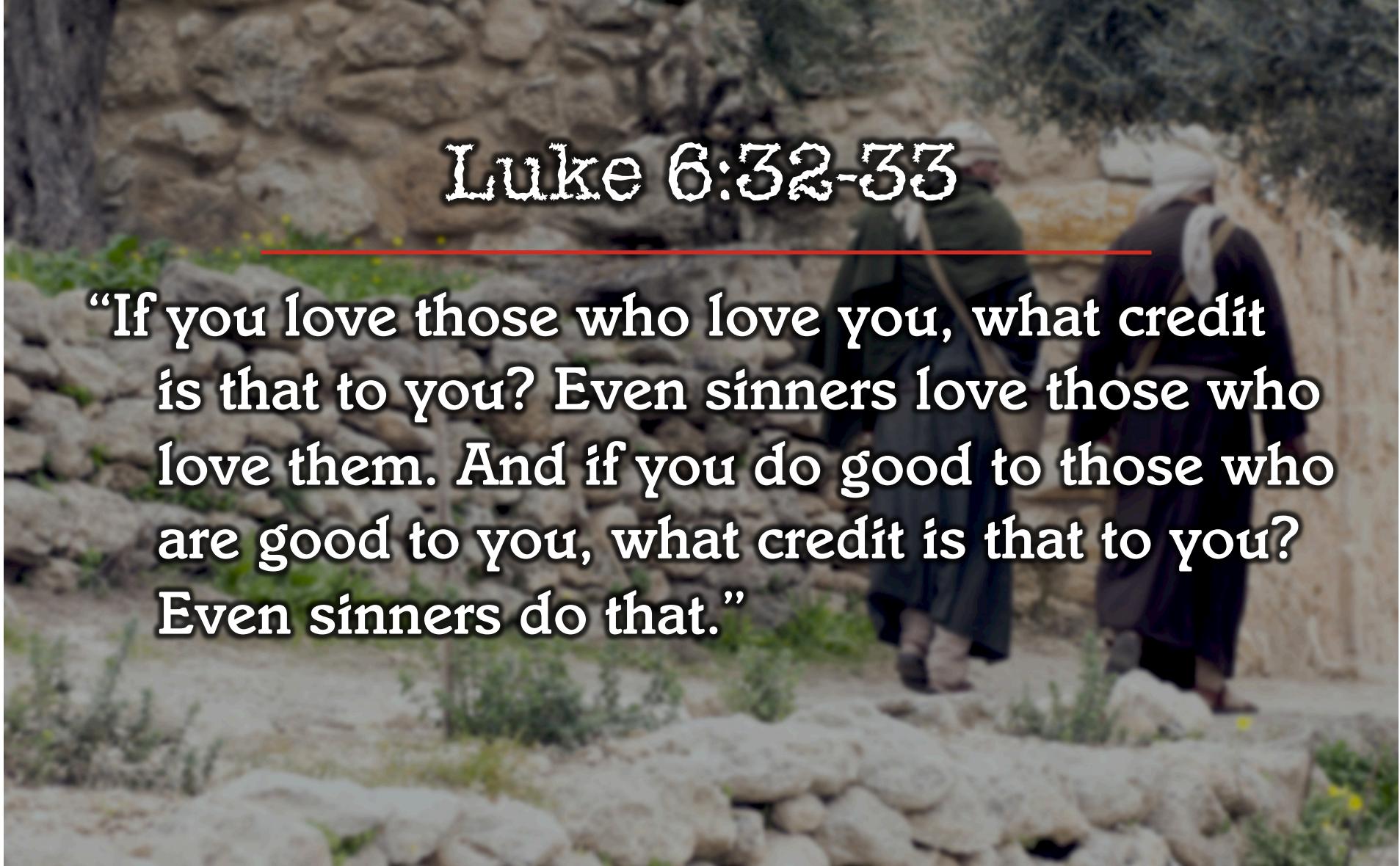
**Jesus said, “Father, forgive them,  
for they do not know what they are doing.”**



## Acts 7:59-60

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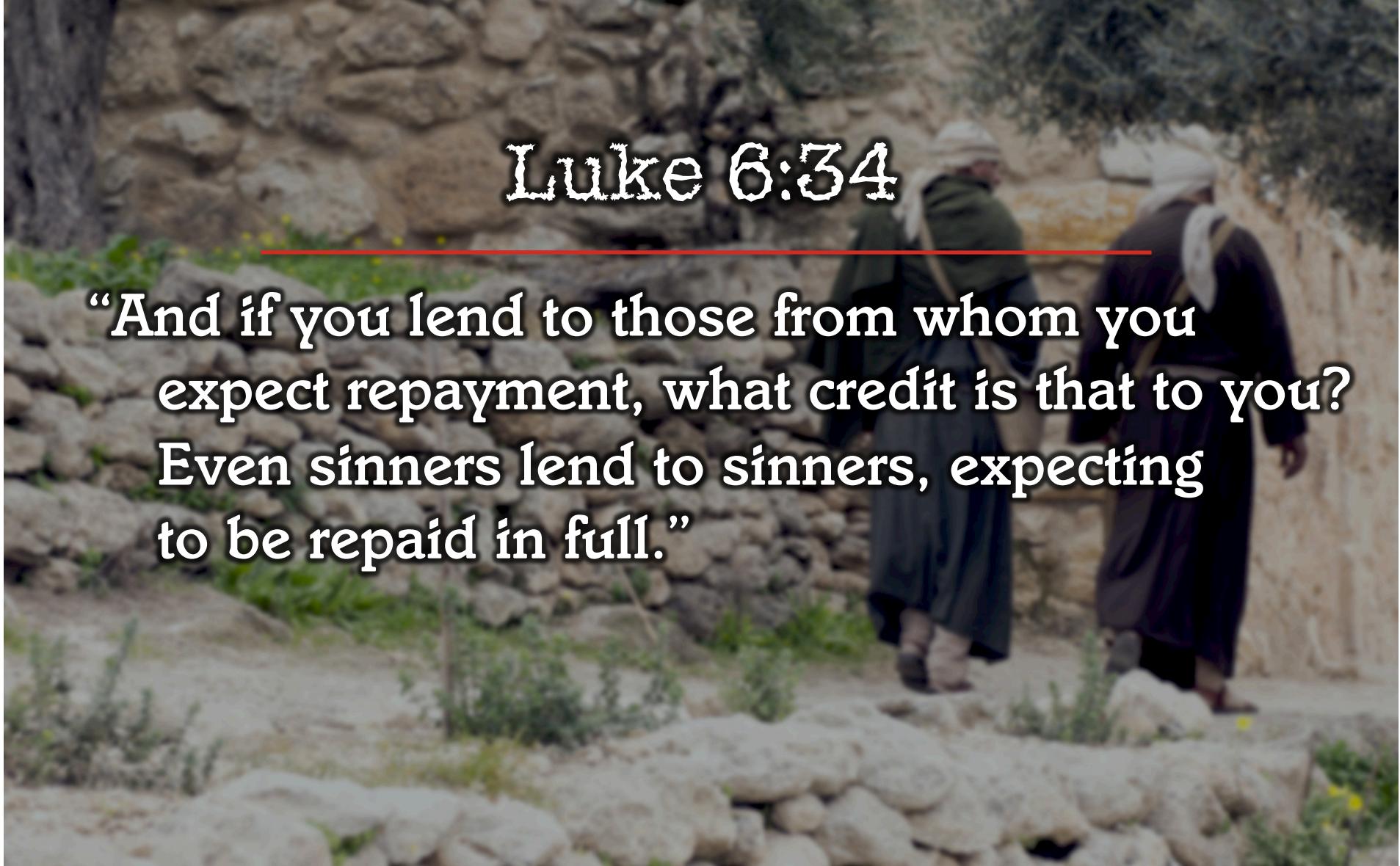
**While they were stoning him, Stephen prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” Then he fell on his knees and cried out, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.”**



## Luke 6:32-33

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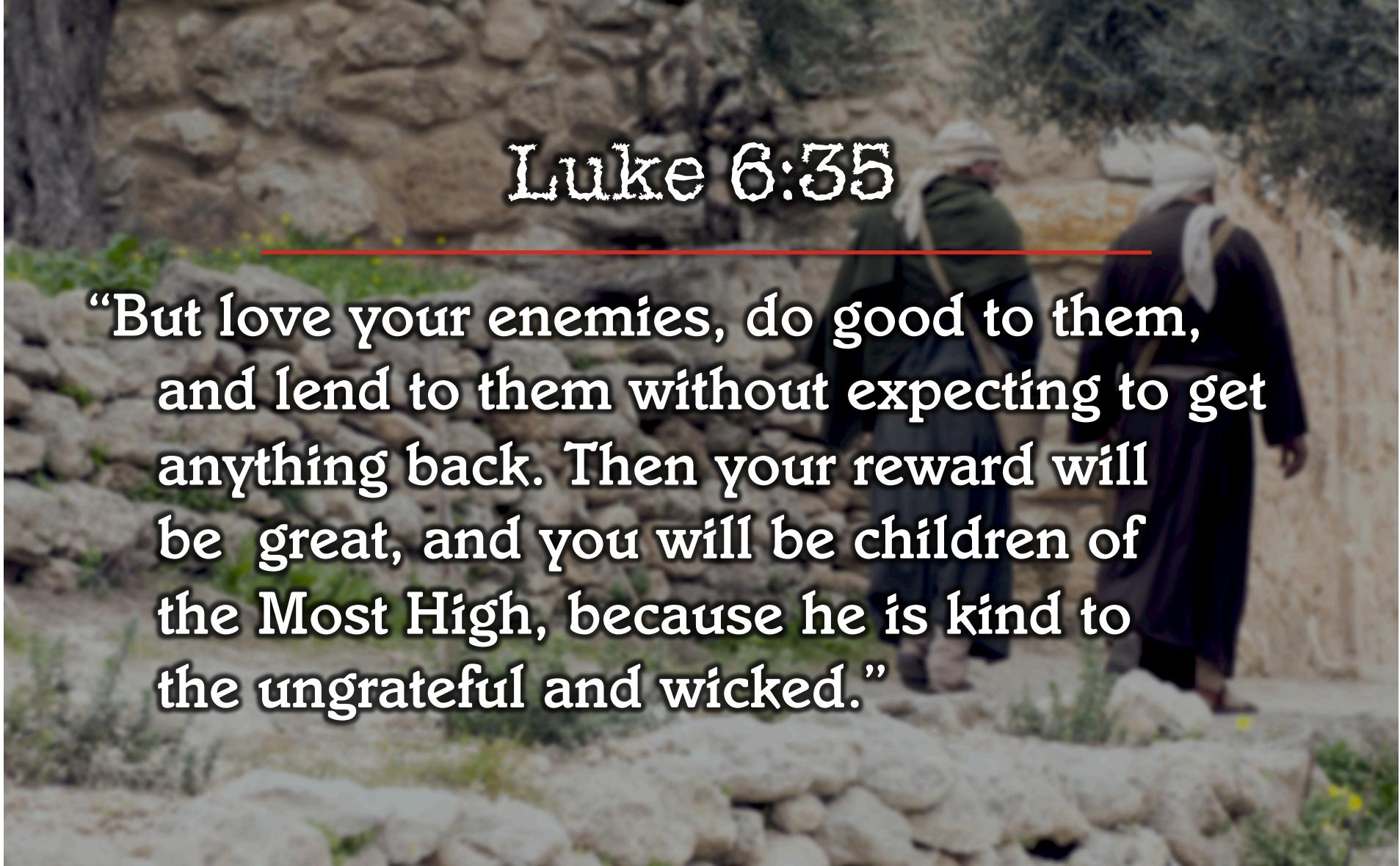
**“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do that.”**



Luke 6:34

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**“And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, expecting to be repaid in full.”**



## Luke 6:35

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**“But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked.”**



Luke 6:36

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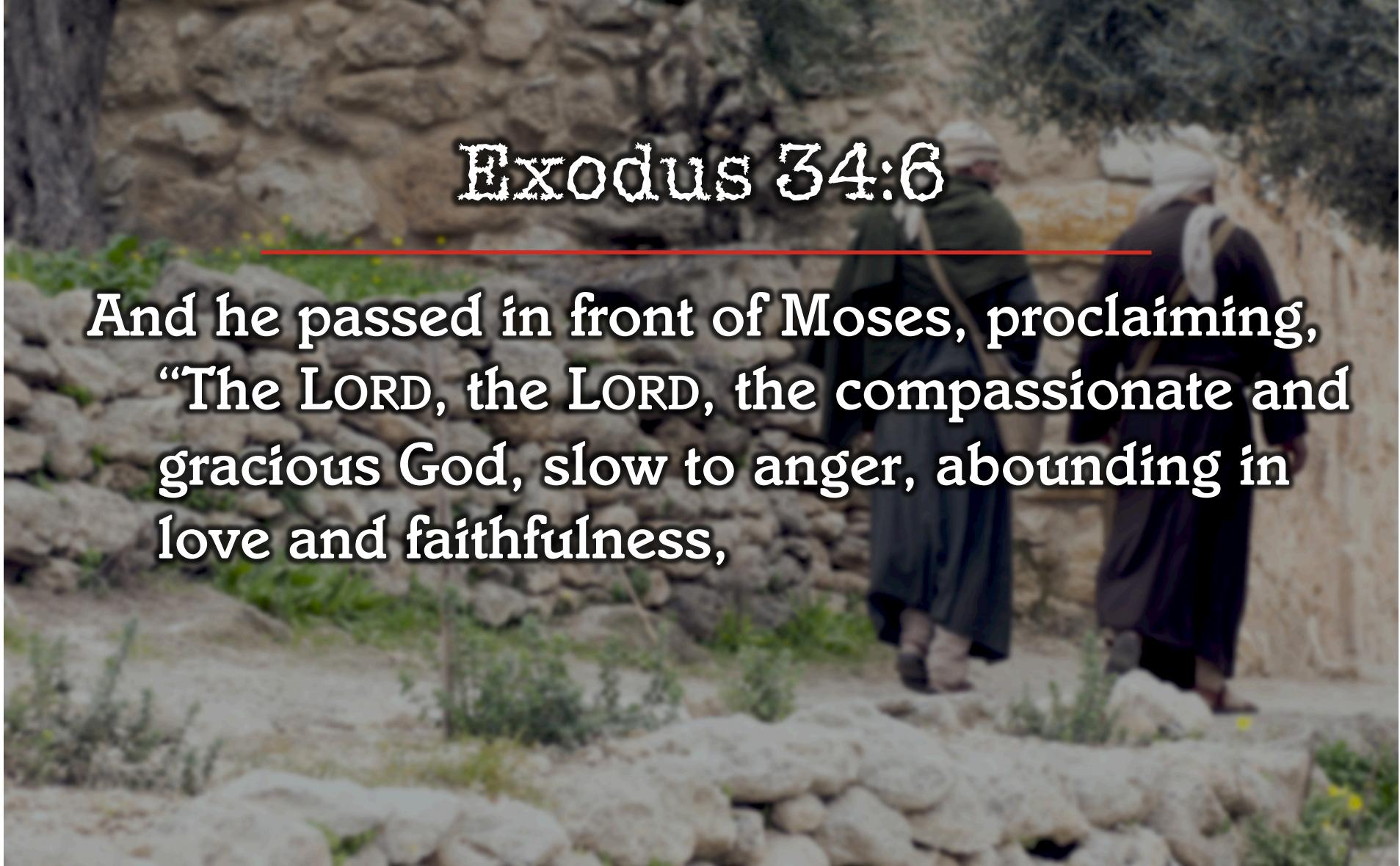
**“Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.”**



## Hesed:

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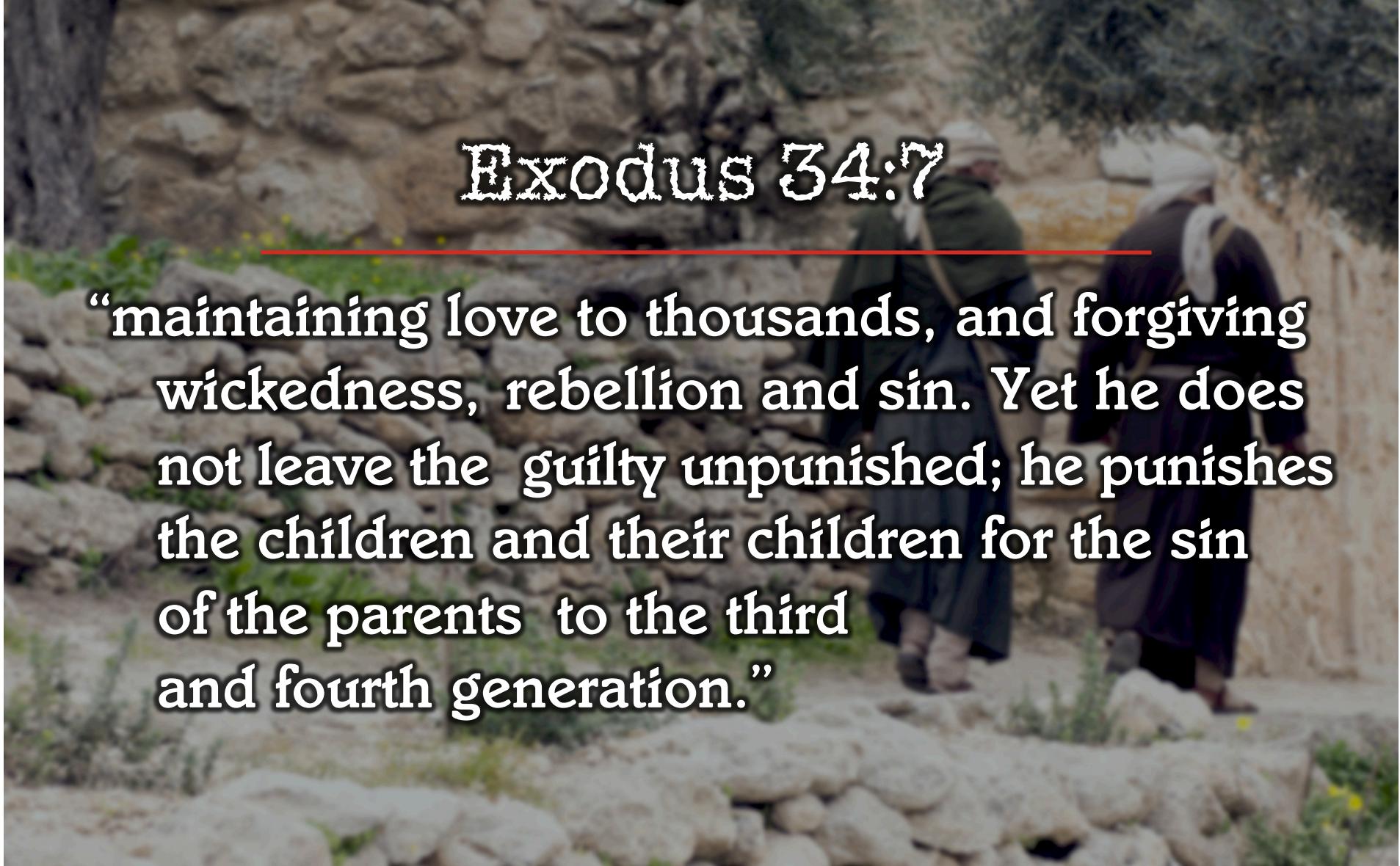
- ❖ Lovingkindness
- ❖ Love
- ❖ Mercy
- ❖ Compassion



## **Exodus 34:6**

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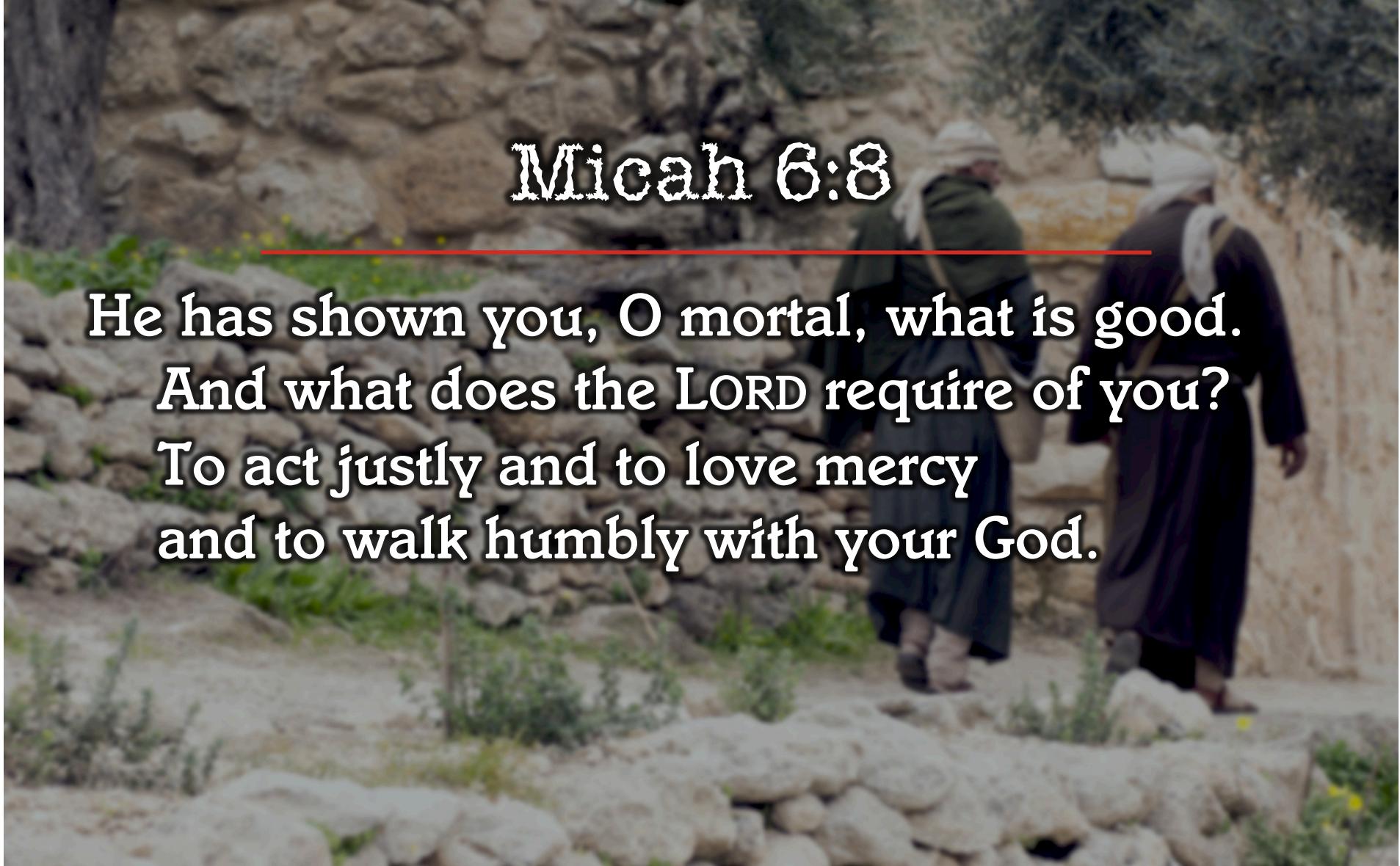
**And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming,  
“The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and  
gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in  
love and faithfulness,**



## **Exodus 34:7**

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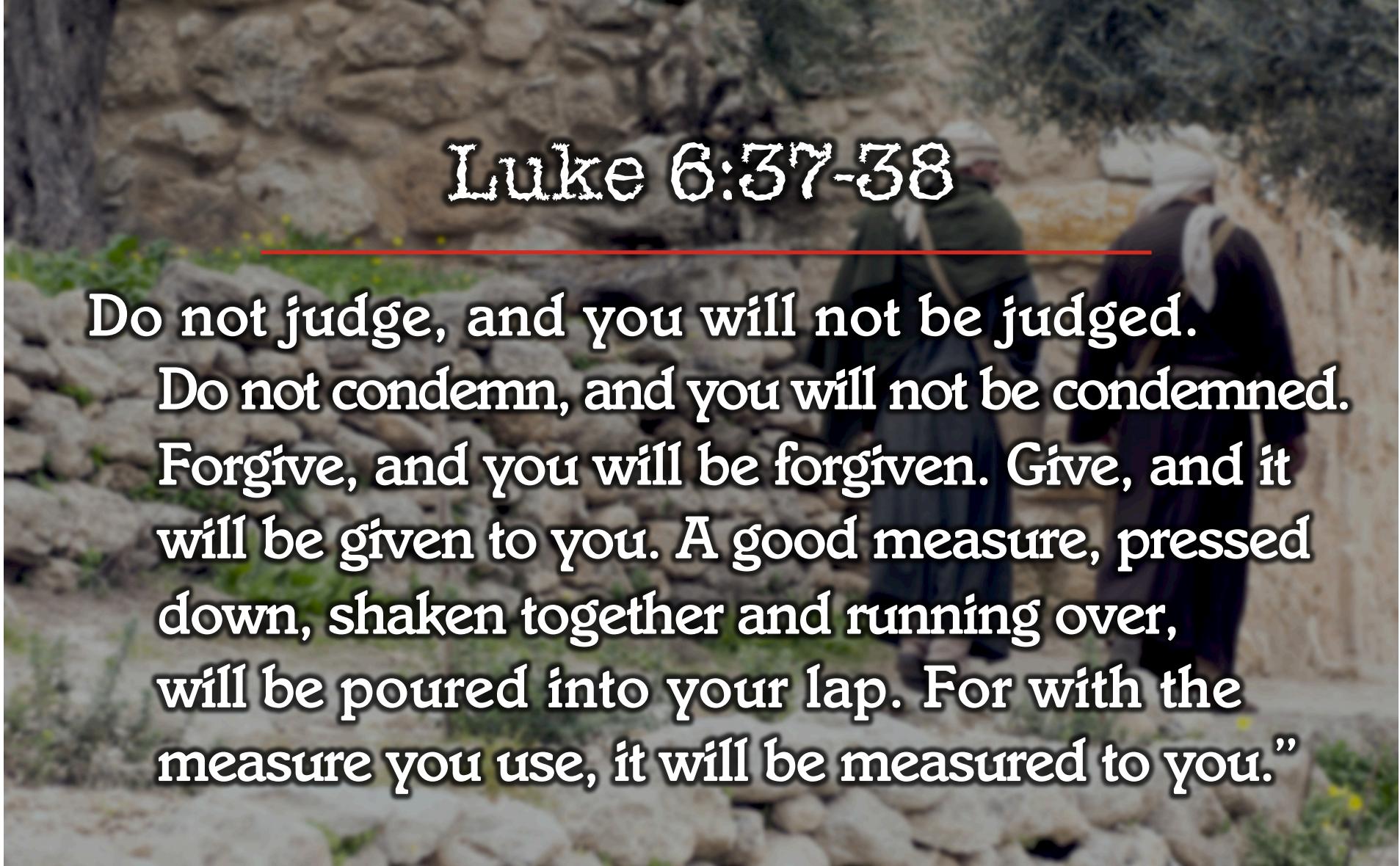
**“maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation.”**



## Micah 6:8

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He has shown you, O mortal, what is good.  
And what does the LORD require of you?  
To act justly and to love mercy  
and to walk humbly with your God.



## Luke 6:37-38

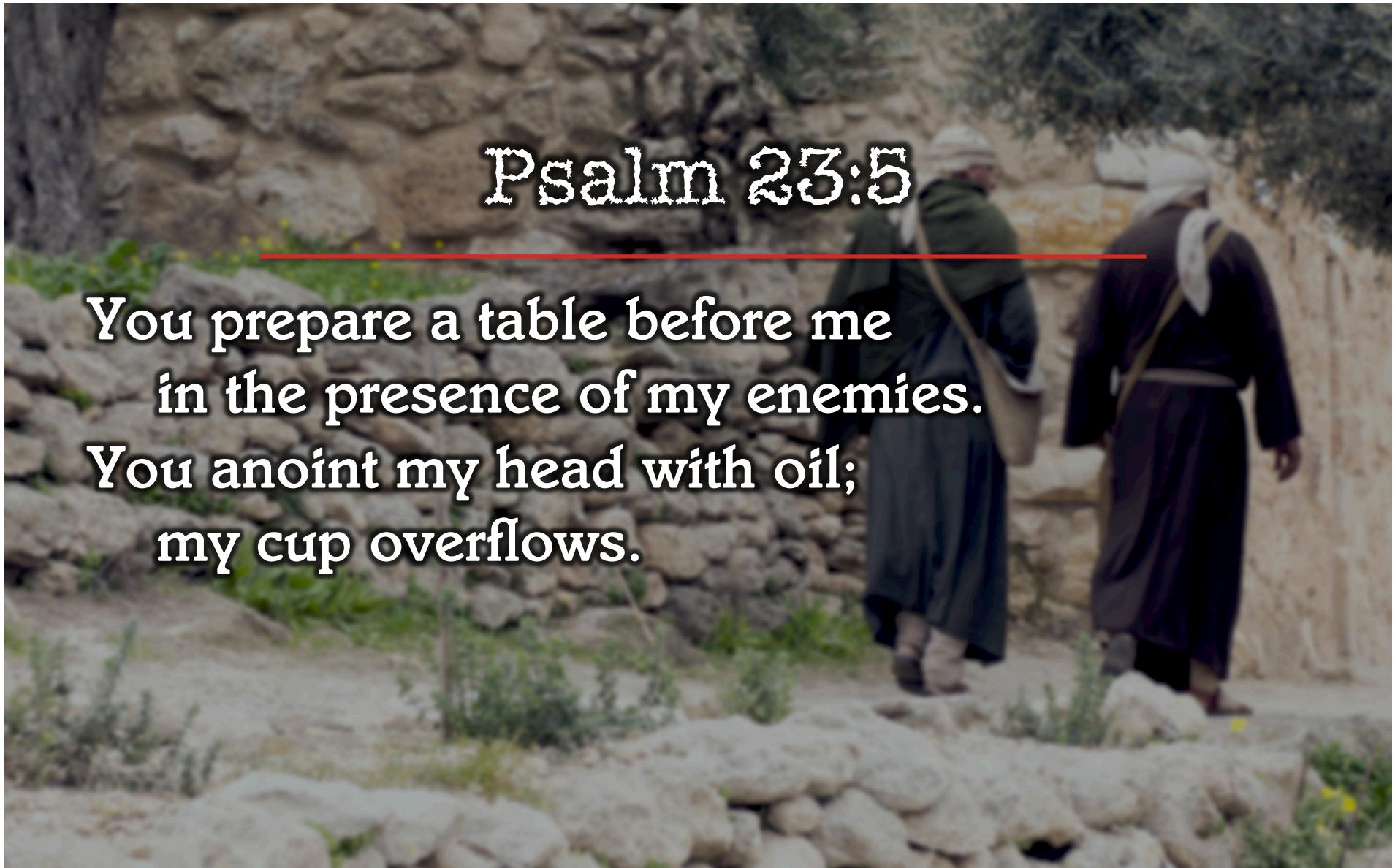
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**Do not judge, and you will not be judged.  
Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned.  
Forgive, and you will be forgiven. Give, and it  
will be given to you. A good measure, pressed  
down, shaken together and running over,  
will be poured into your lap. For with the  
measure you use, it will be measured to you.”**

## Psalm 23:5

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You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies.  
You anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.



## Sow and reap:

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- ❖ Mercy
- ❖ Judgment
- ❖ Condemnation
- ❖ Pardon
- ❖ Giving

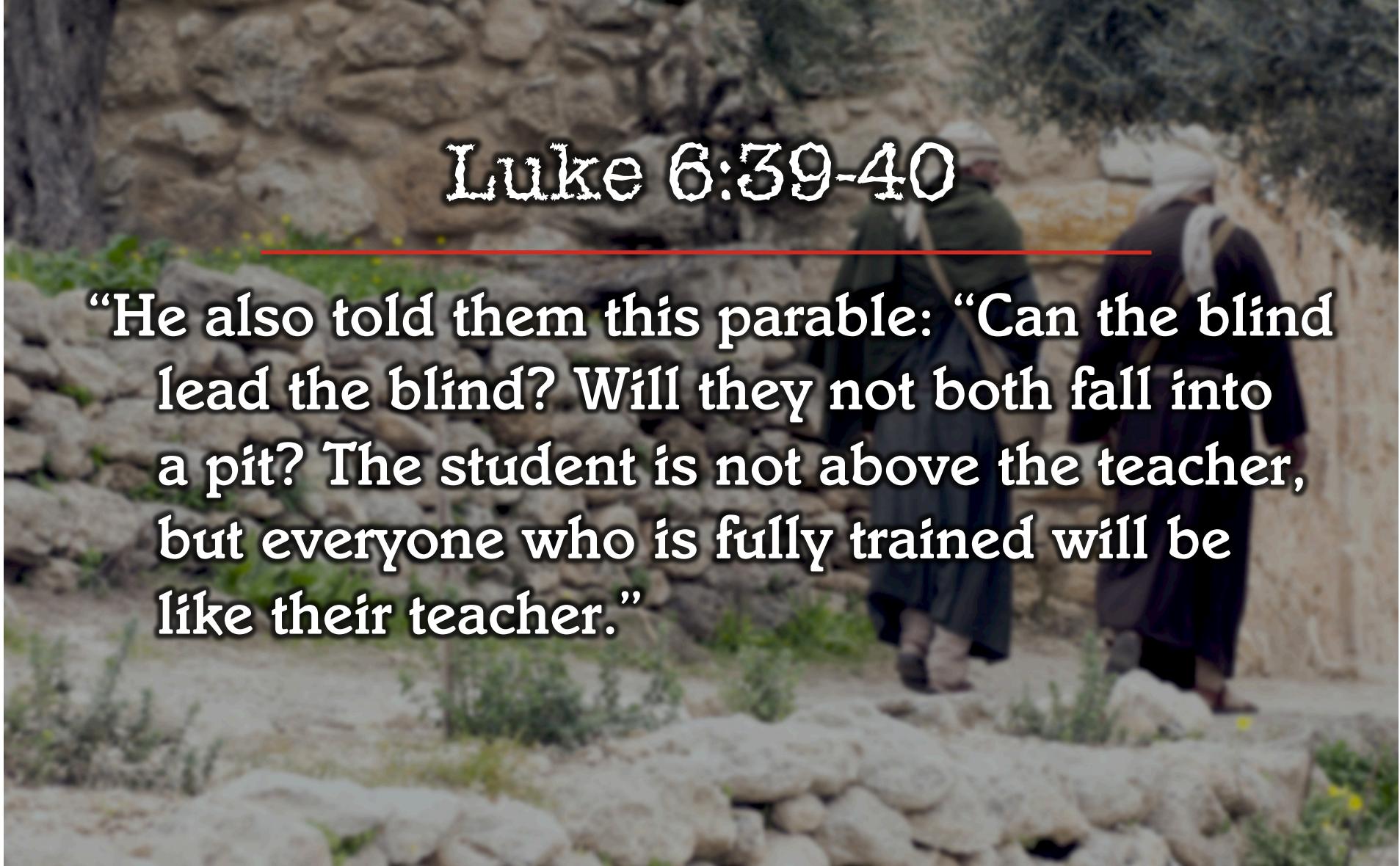




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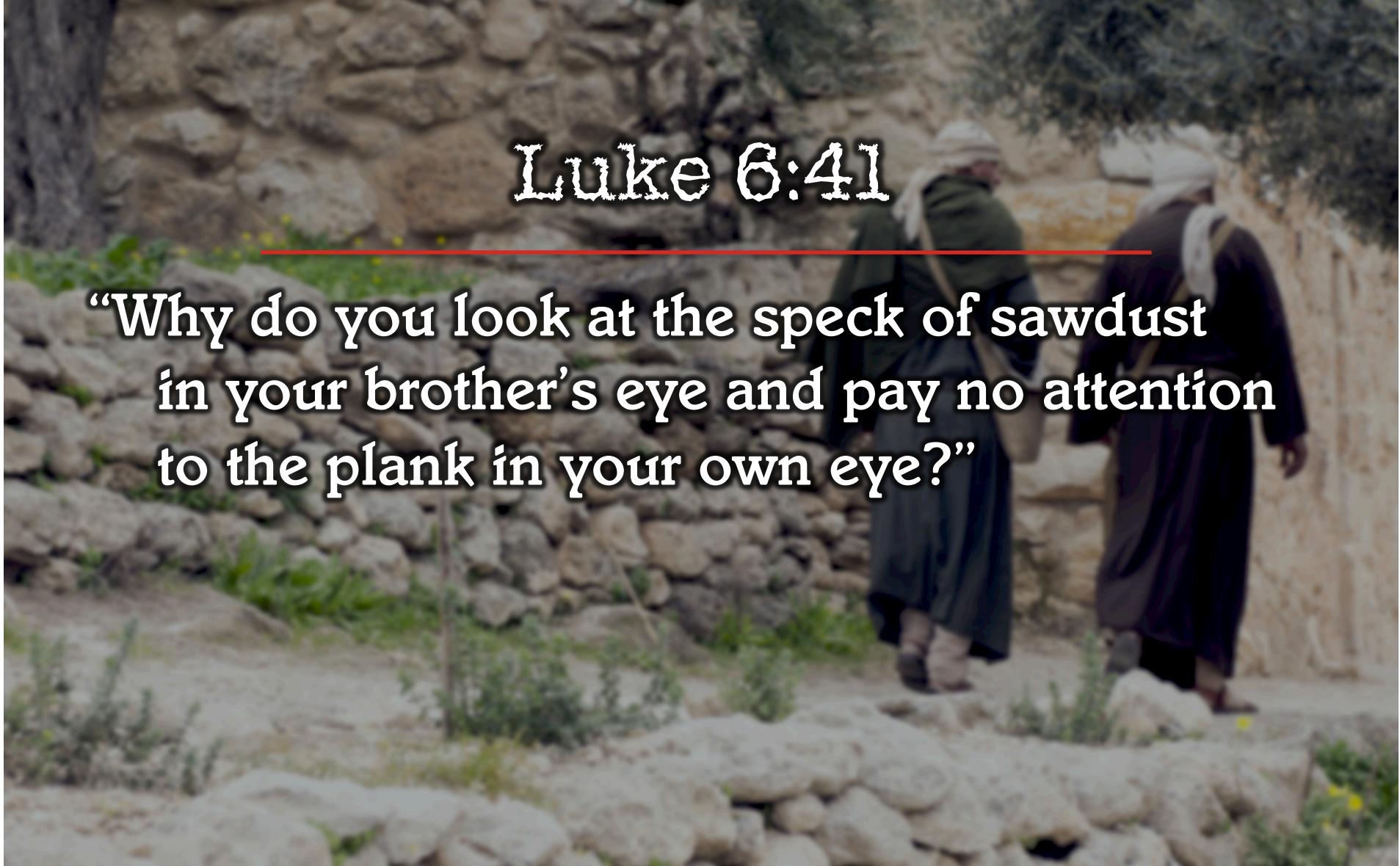
- ❖ Deuteronomy 15:10
- ❖ Proverbs 19:17; 22:9; 28:8
- ❖ Isaiah 65:6-7
- ❖ Galatians 6:7



## Luke 6:39-40

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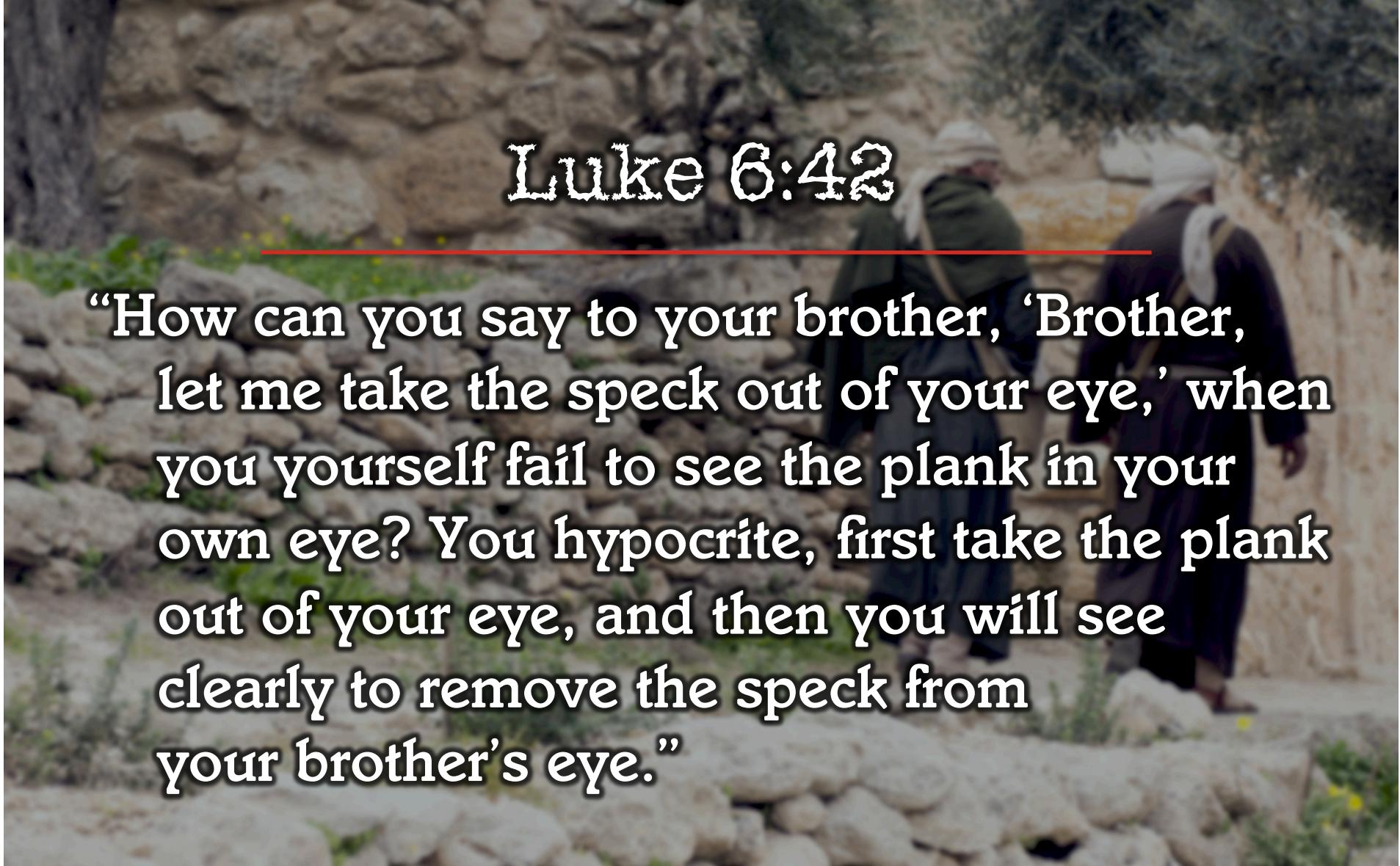
**“He also told them this parable: “Can the blind lead the blind? Will they not both fall into a pit? The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher.”**

A photograph showing two individuals in traditional Middle Eastern or Biblical-style clothing walking away from the camera. They are wearing long robes and head coverings. They are walking on a dirt path next to a low, rough stone wall. Some sparse greenery and small yellow flowers are visible in the foreground and around the base of the wall.

Luke 6:41

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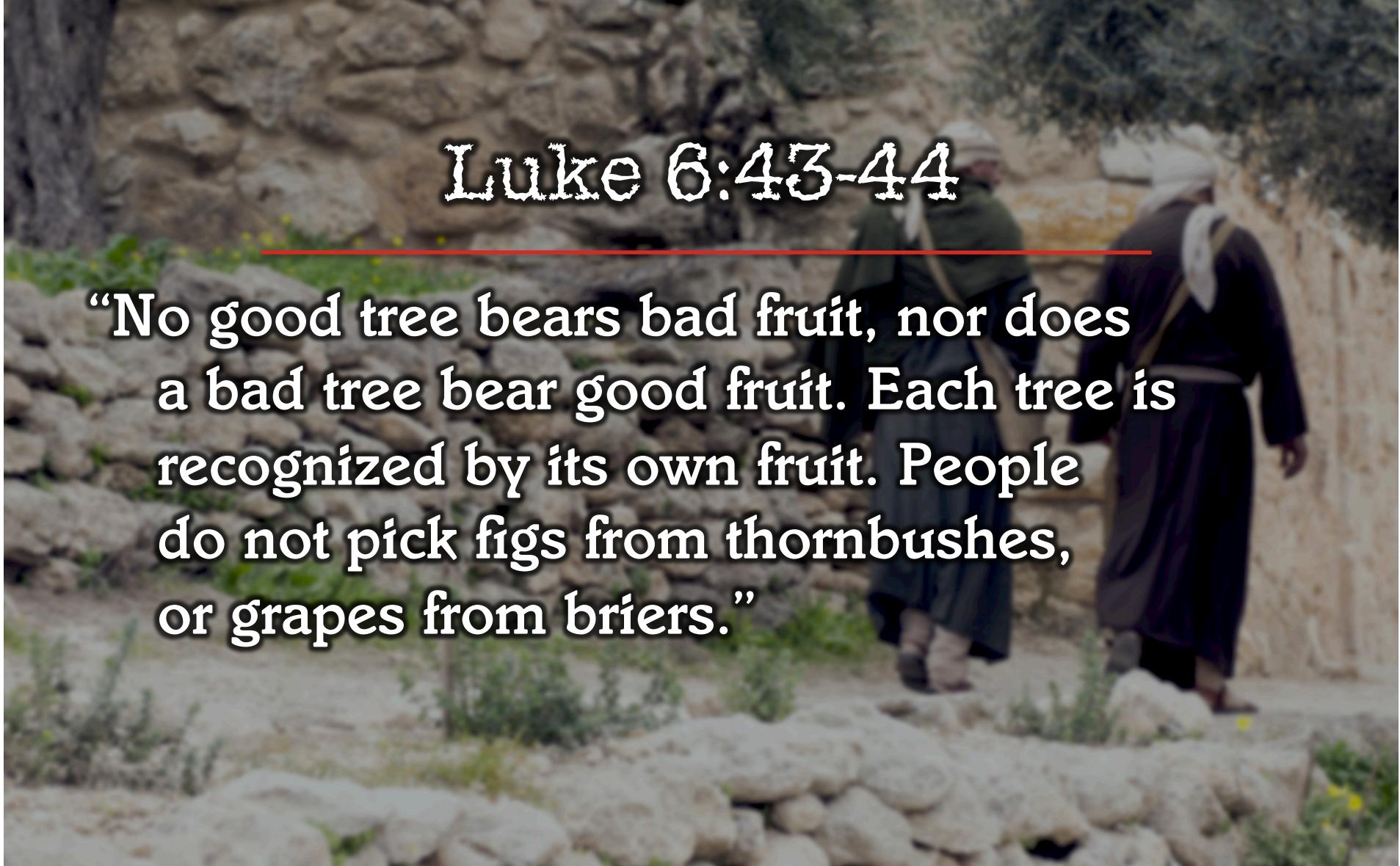
**“Why do you look at the speck of sawdust  
in your brother’s eye and pay no attention  
to the plank in your own eye?”**



## Luke 6:42

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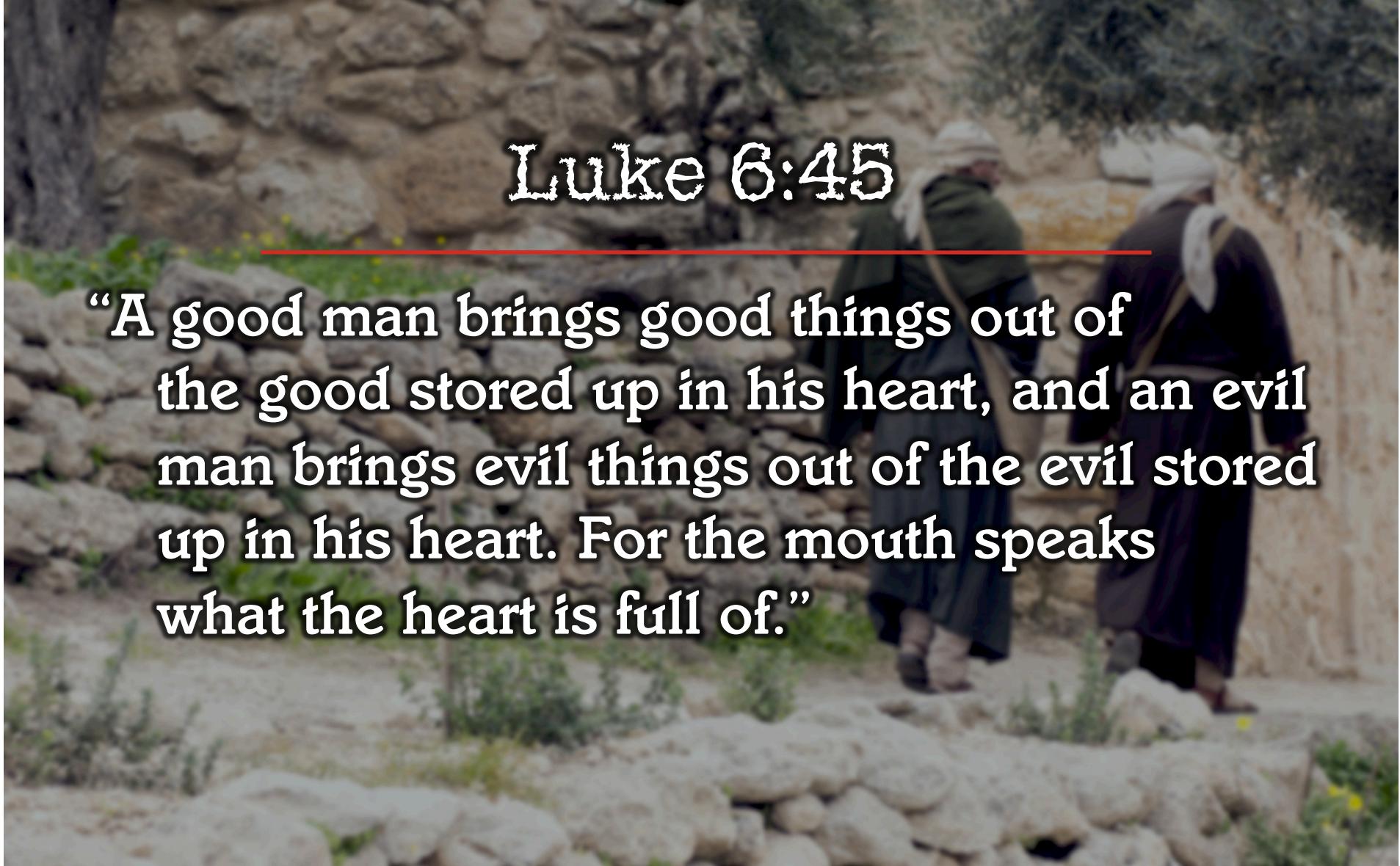
**“How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when you yourself fail to see the plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.”**



Luke 6:43-44

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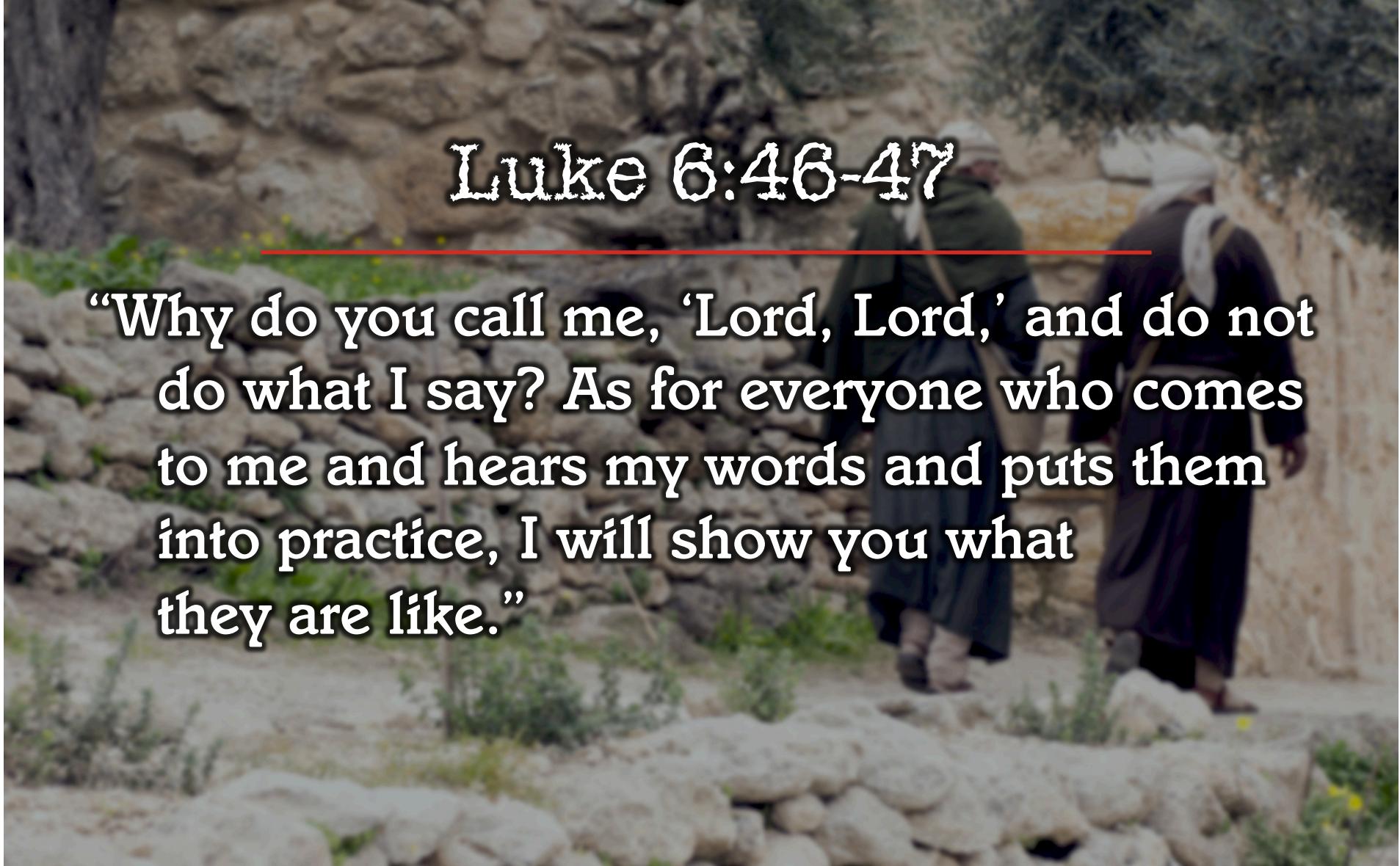
**“No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thornbushes, or grapes from briars.”**



## Luke 6:45

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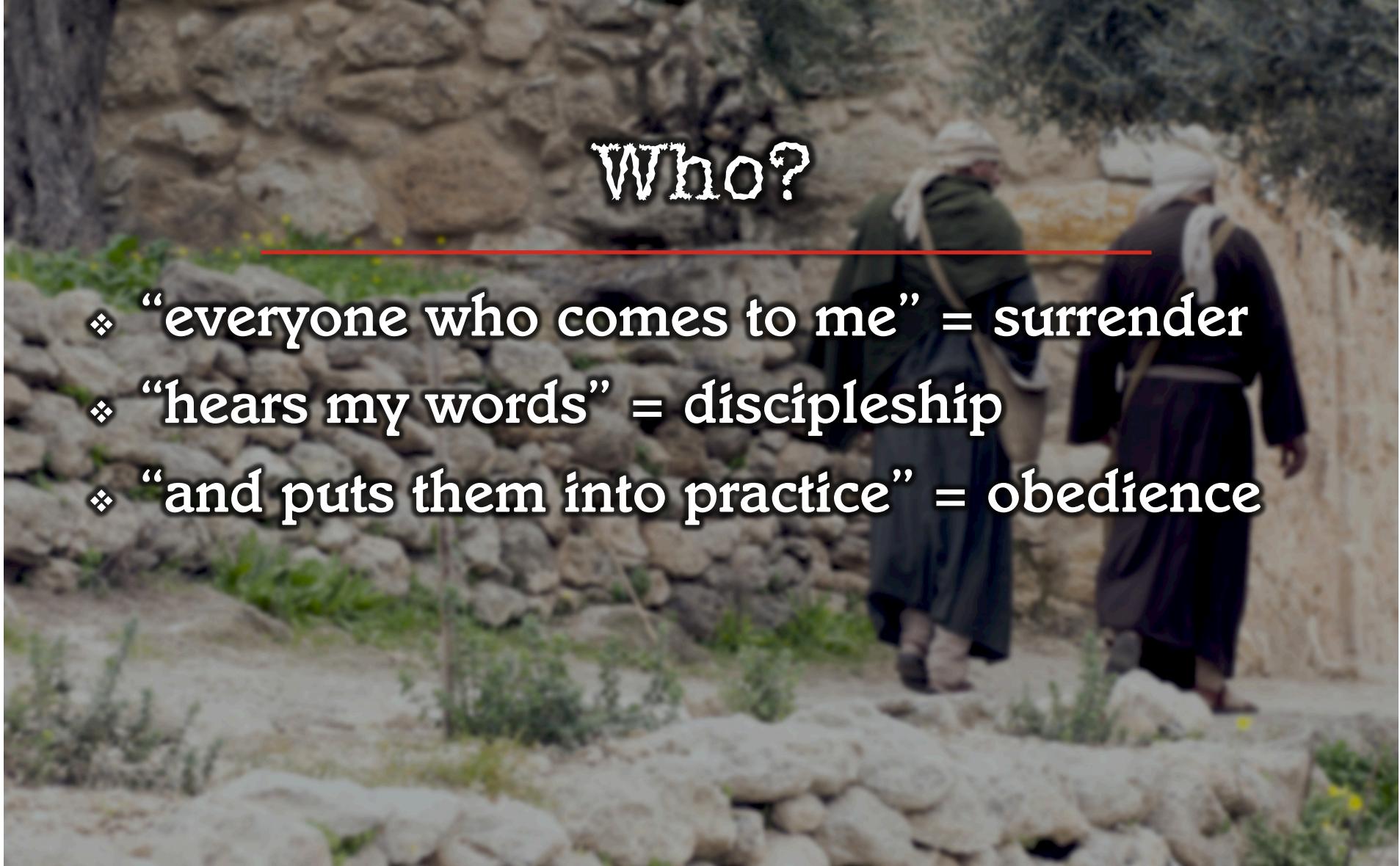
**“A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.”**



## Luke 6:46-47

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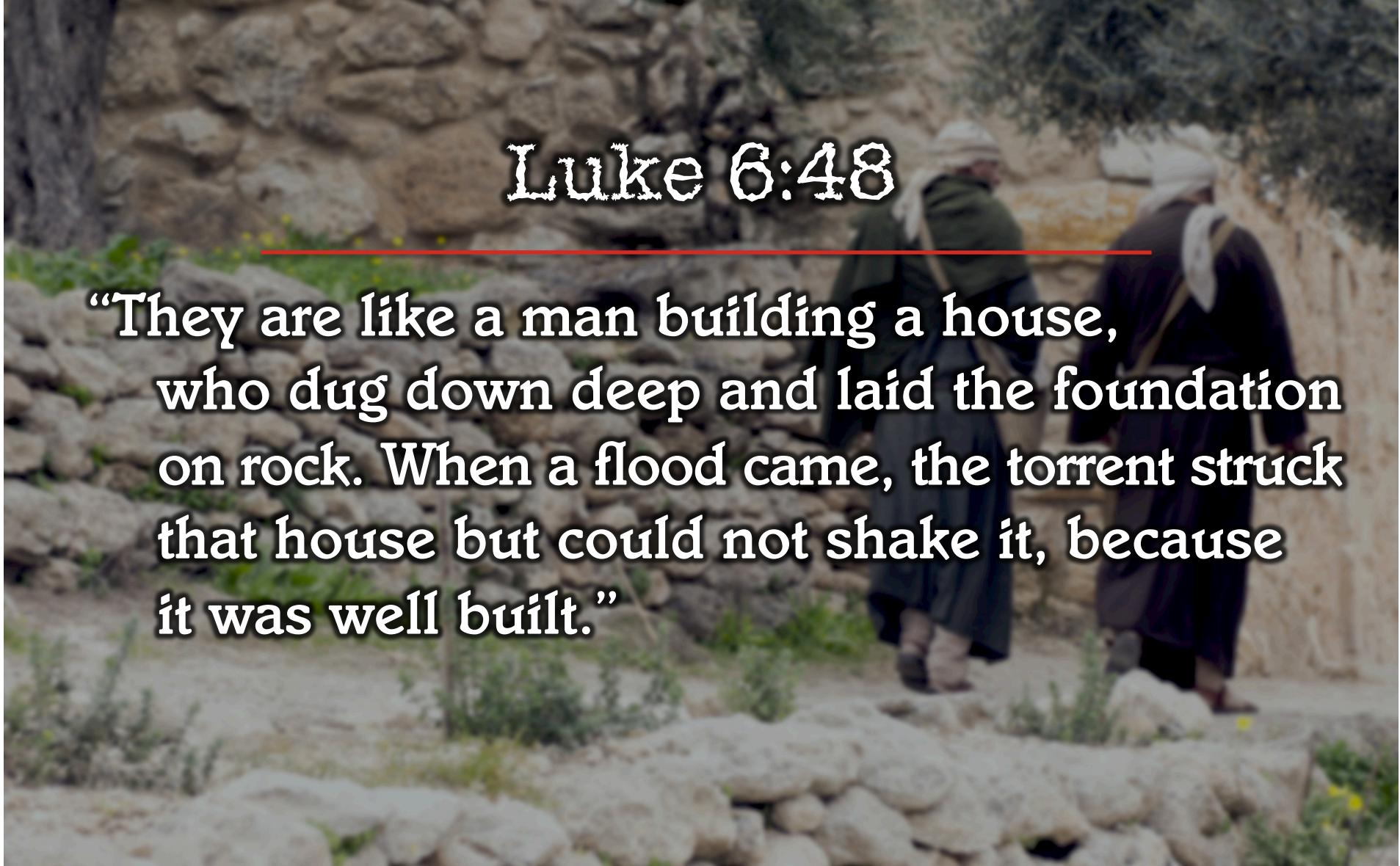
“Why do you call me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say? As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like.”



# Who?

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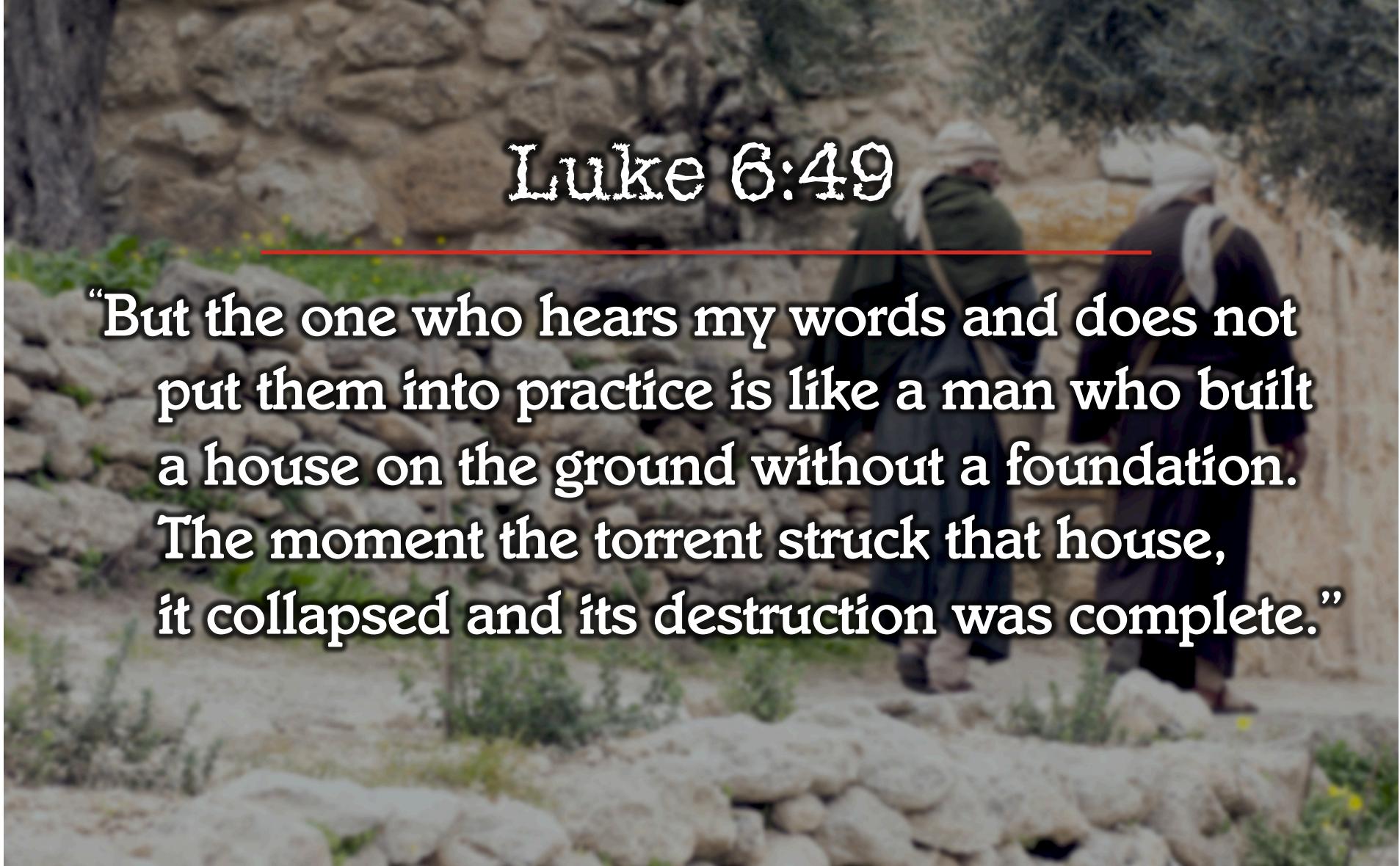
- ❖ “everyone who comes to me” = surrender
- ❖ “hears my words” = discipleship
- ❖ “and puts them into practice” = obedience



## Luke 6:48

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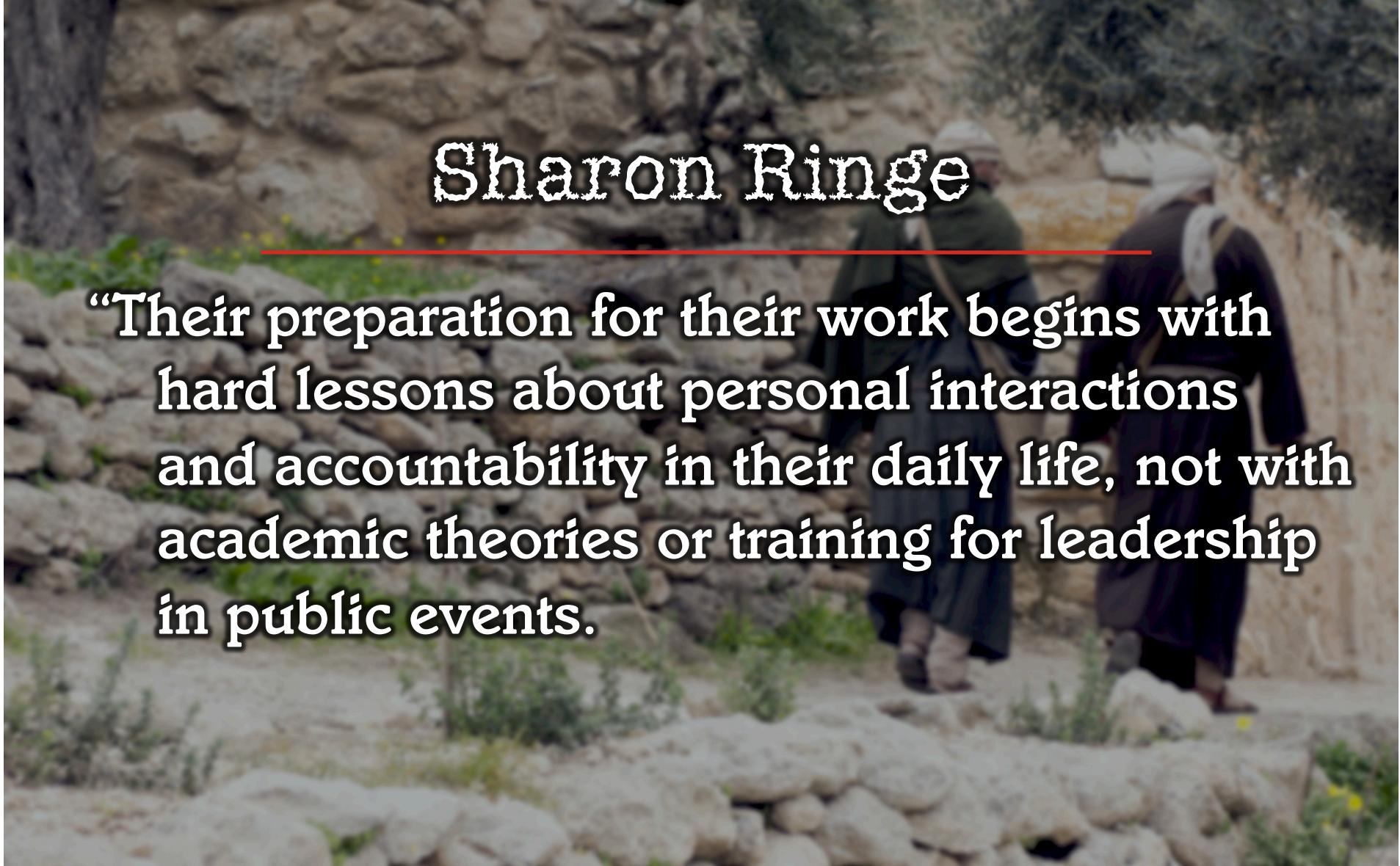
**“They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built.”**



Luke 6:49

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**“But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete.”**



## Sharon Ringe

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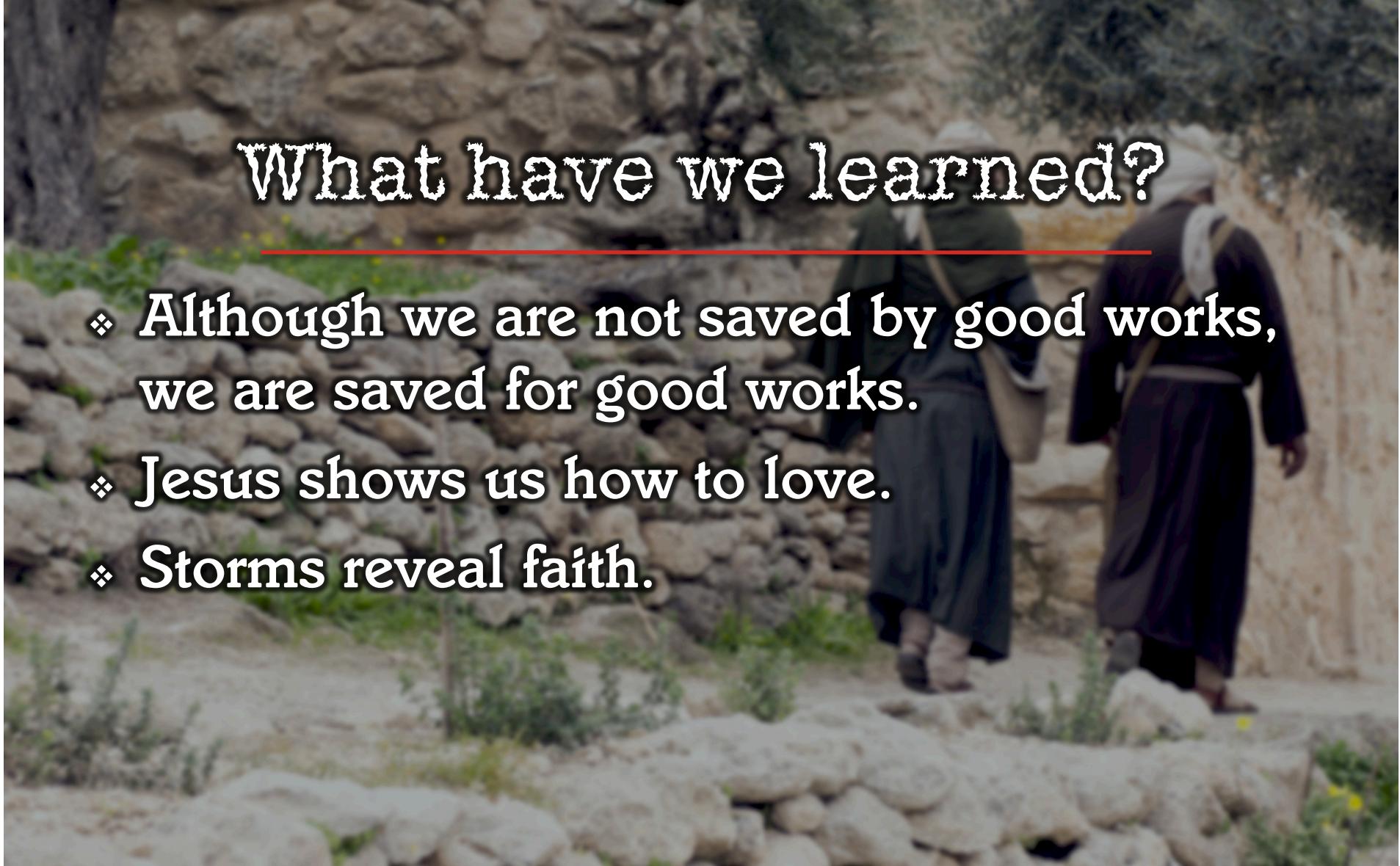
**“Their preparation for their work begins with hard lessons about personal interactions and accountability in their daily life, not with academic theories or training for leadership in public events.**



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**“The very purpose of the gospel as ‘good news’ depends on the coherence and integrity of the lives of those who bear its word of justice and liberation.”**

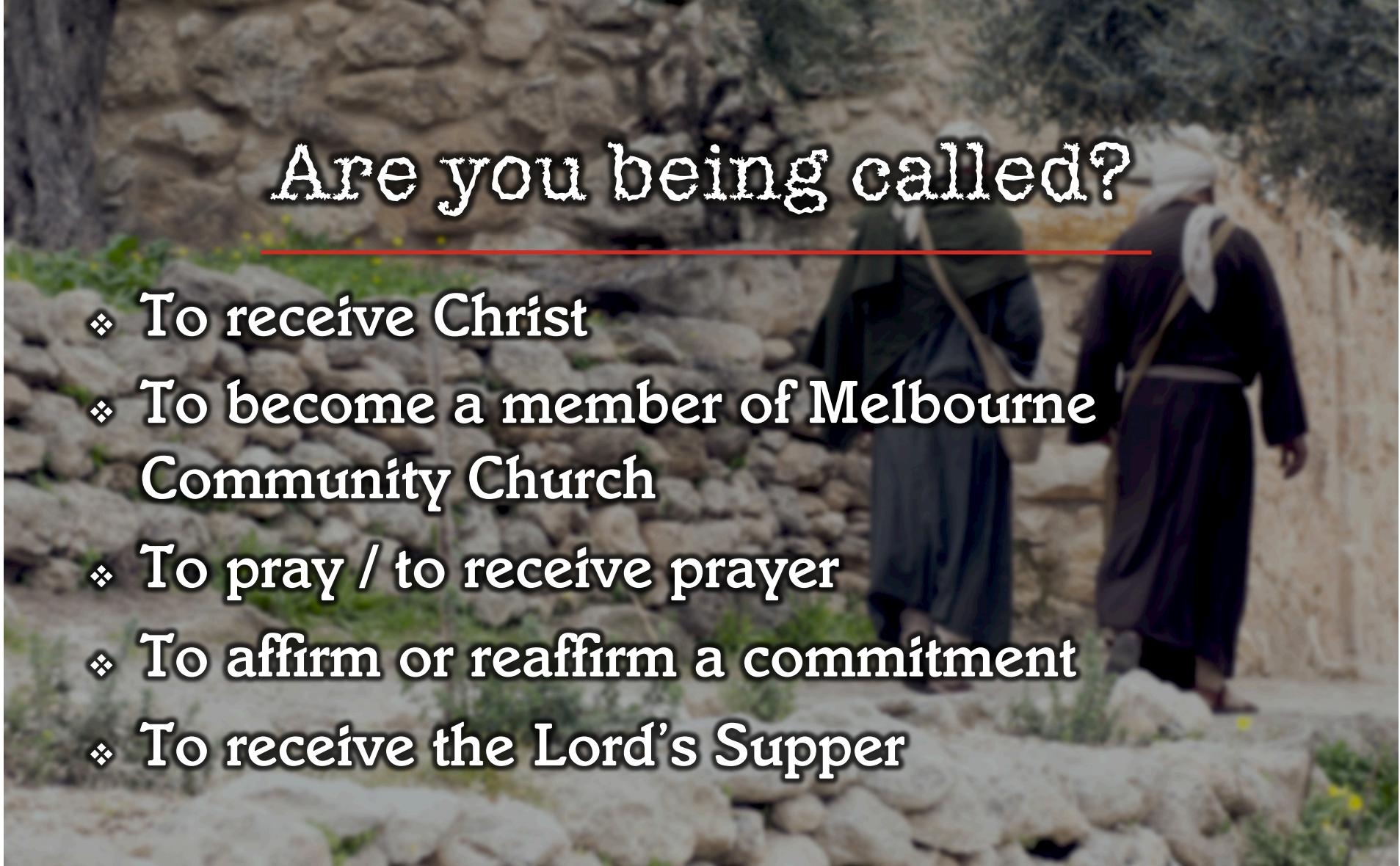


## What have we learned?

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- ❖ Storms reveal faith.

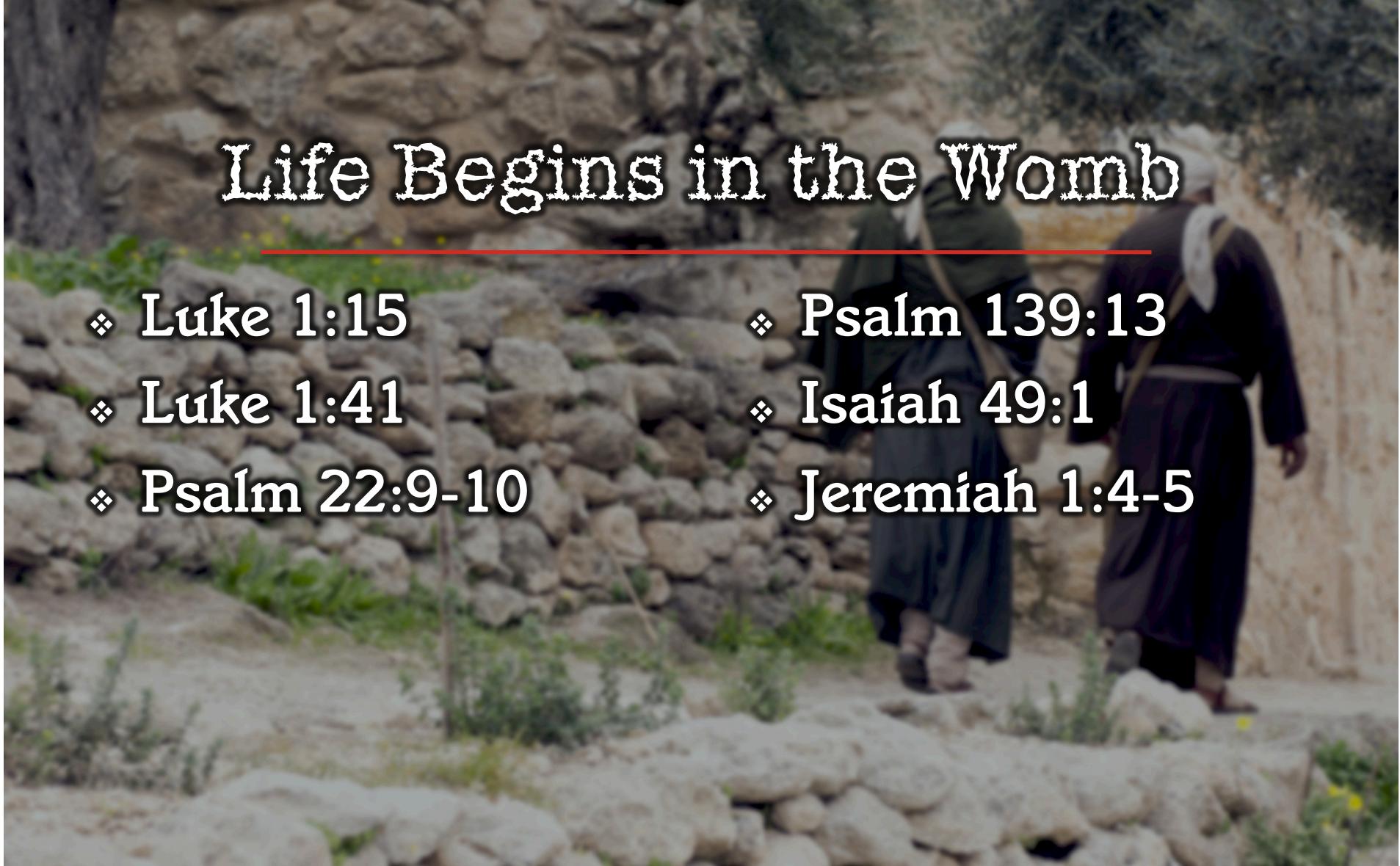




# Are you being called?

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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



# Life Begins in the Womb

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- ❖ Luke 1:15
- ❖ Luke 1:41
- ❖ Psalm 22:9-10
- ❖ Psalm 139:13
- ❖ Isaiah 49:1
- ❖ Jeremiah 1:4-5