

A photograph of two men in traditional, dark-colored robes and white head coverings walking away from the camera on a dirt path. They are positioned in front of a large, rustic stone wall. The man on the left has a satchel slung over his shoulder. The background shows some greenery and a tree trunk on the left. The text is overlaid on the image in a white, serif font.

**“Peace on Earth? No!”**

**Luke 12:35-59**

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# What will we learn?

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- ❖ We are accountable for how we use what has been entrusted to us.
- ❖ Faithfulness includes promoting unity.
- ❖ We should live expectantly, with undivided loyalty.





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# The Gospel of Luke

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- ❖ I – The Launch (1:1-9:50)
  - ❖ November, 2018 – June, 2019
- ❖ II – The Teachings (9:51- 19:27)
  - ❖ October, 2019 – Spring, 2020
- ❖ III – Jerusalem (19:28 – 24:53)
  - ❖ Fall, 2020 or Spring, 2021



# 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



# Who is Jesus?

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- ❖ Lord of the Sabbath
  - ❖ A great prophet
  - ❖ “Master”
  - ❖ “Son of the Most High God”
  - ❖ God’s Messiah
- ❖ “My Son, whom I have chosen”



# Northern Israel

in the time of Christ

GREAT SEA  
(The Mediterranean)

Ashkelon

Phoenicia

PTOLEMAIS

Galilee

CAPERNAUM

BETHSAIDA

CANA

SEA OF GALILEE

NAZARETH

CAESAREA

Decapolis

Samaría

JOPPA

Judea

JORDAN RIVER

BETHEL

JERICO

JERUSALEM

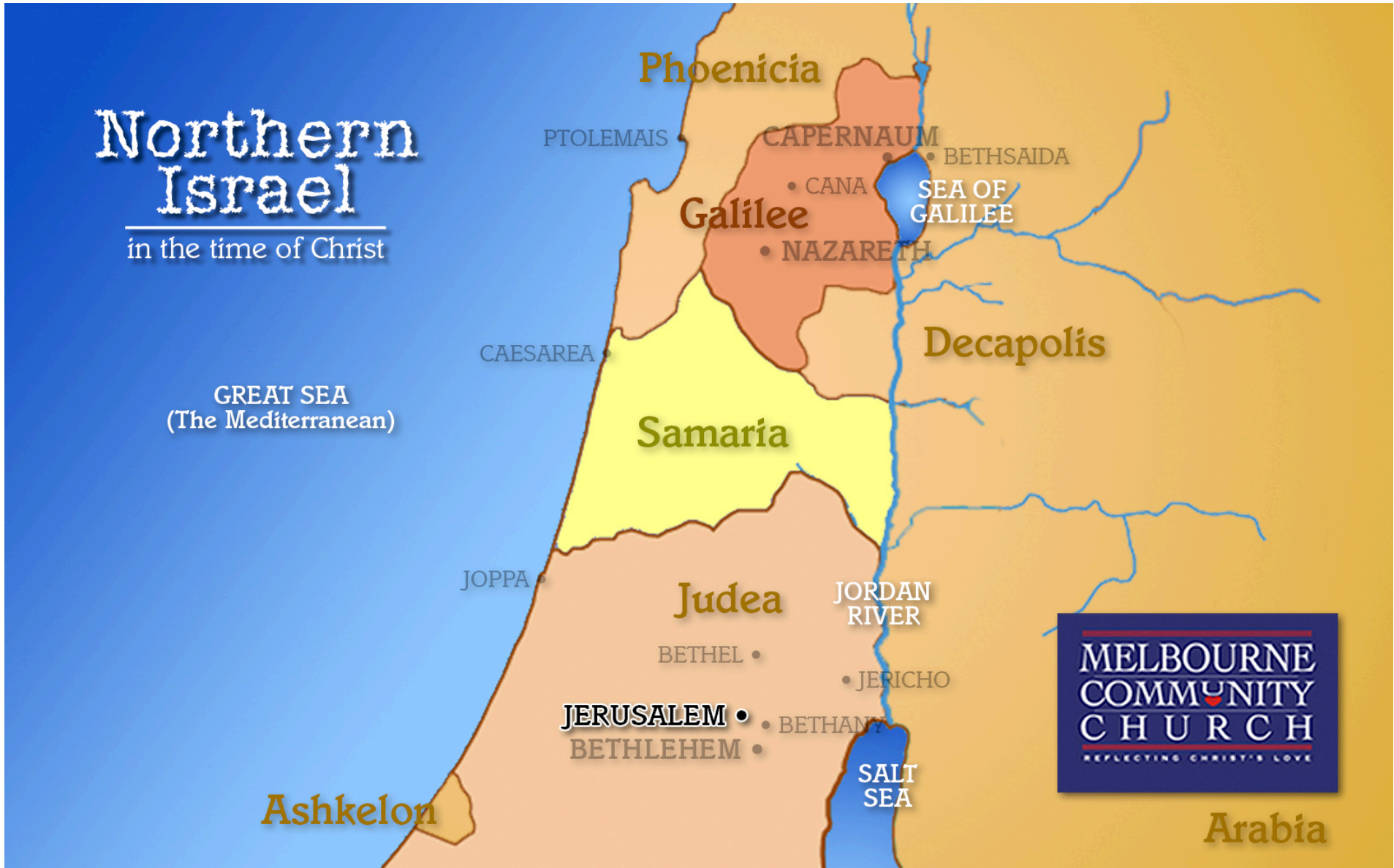
BETHANY

BETHLEHEM

SALT SEA

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REFLECTING CHRIST'S LOVE

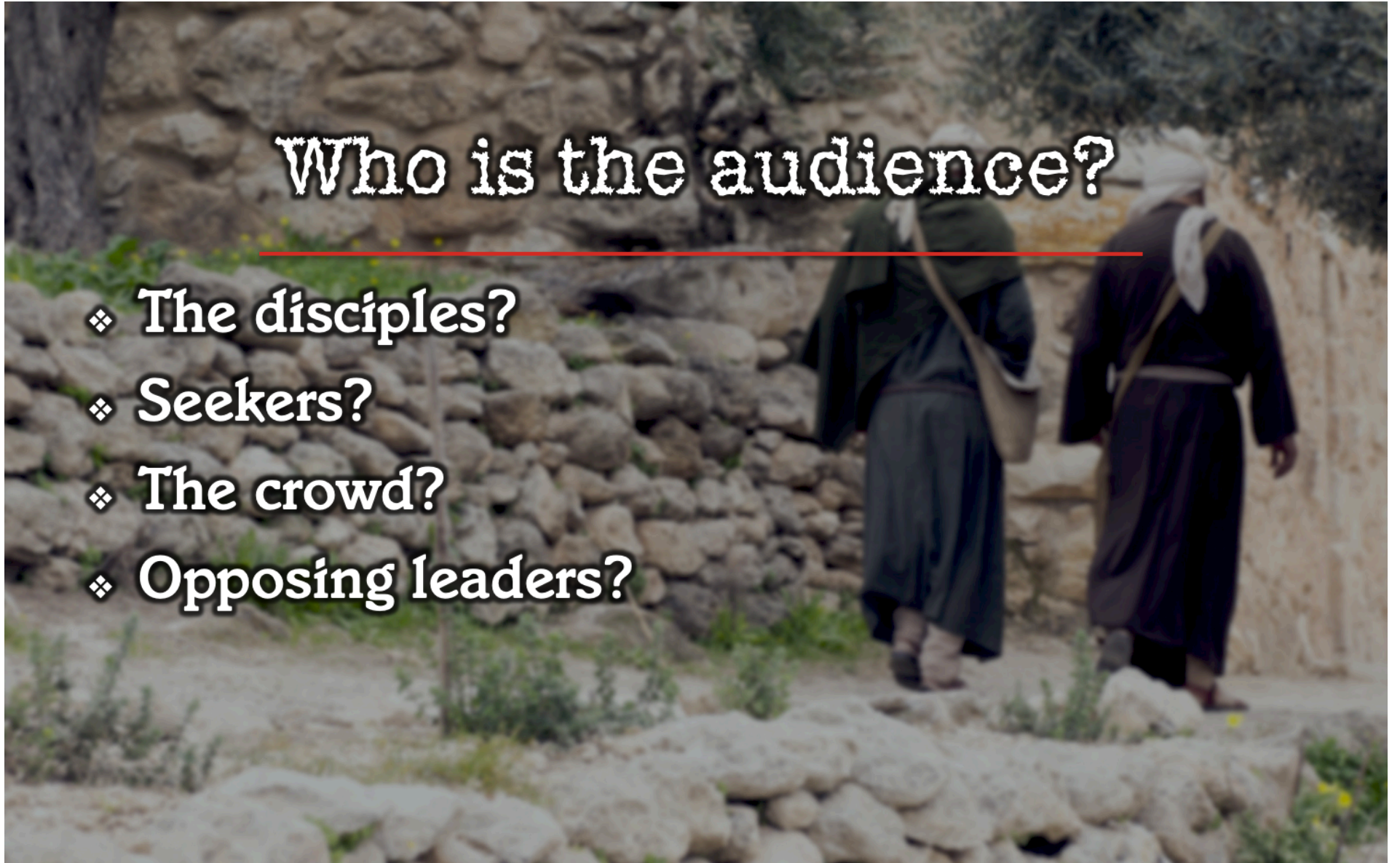




# Who is the audience?

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- ❖ The disciples?
- ❖ Seekers?
- ❖ The crowd?
- ❖ Opposing leaders?

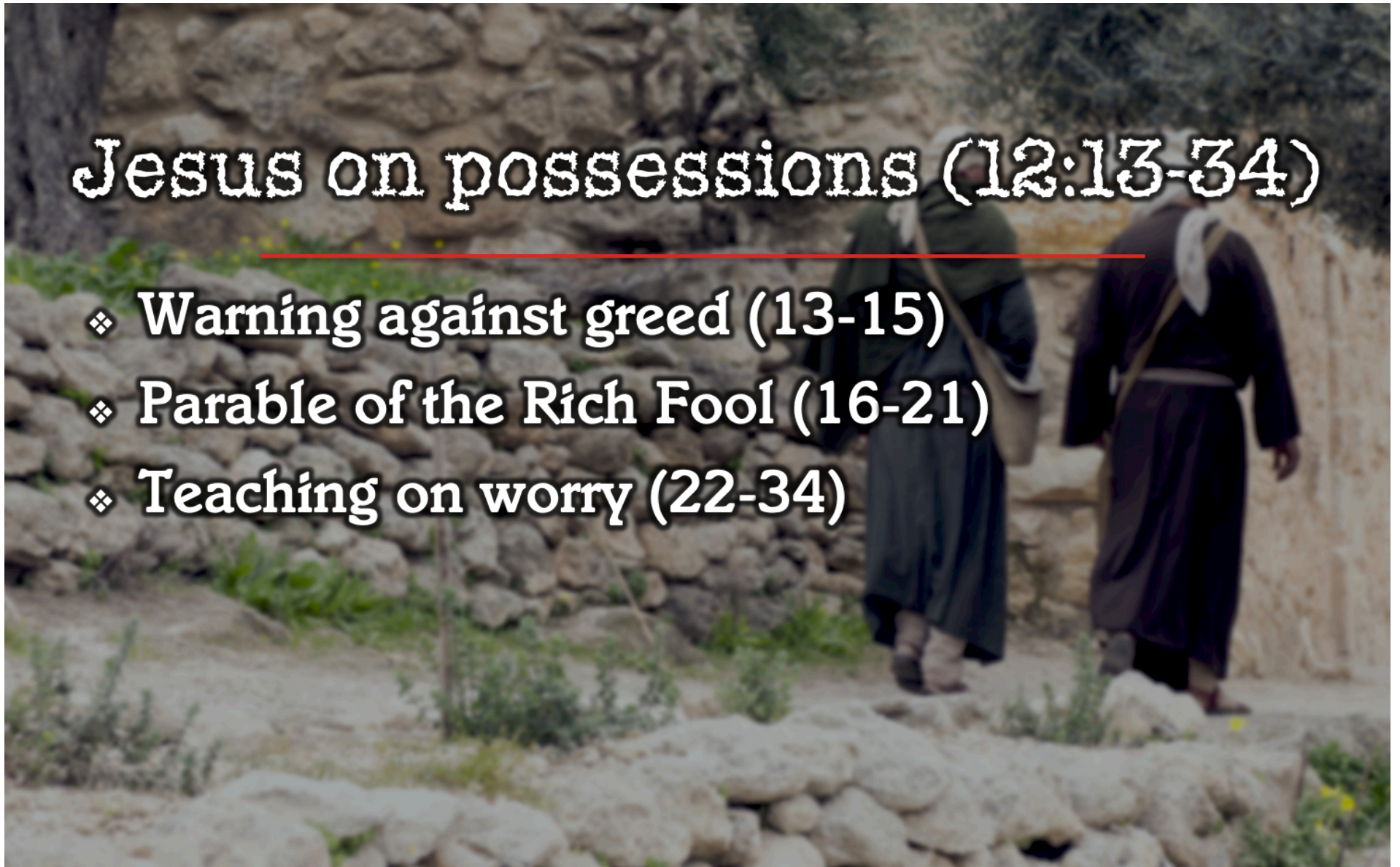




# Jesus on possessions (12:13-34)

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- ❖ Warning against greed (13-15)
- ❖ Parable of the Rich Fool (16-21)
- ❖ Teaching on worry (22-34)





## Luke 12:35-36

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**[Jesus]: “Be dressed ready for service and keep your lamps burning, like servants waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet, so that when he comes and knocks, they can immediately open the door for him.”**





## Luke 12:37

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**“It will be good for those servants whose master finds them watching when he comes. Truly I tell you, he will dress himself to serve, will have them recline at the table and will come and wait on them.**”



## Luke 12:38

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**“It will be good for those servants whose master finds them ready, even if he comes in the middle of the night or toward daybreak.”**





## Night watches:

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- ❖ 1<sup>st</sup> watch = 6:00 – 10:00 PM
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> watch = 10:00 PM – 2:00 AM
- ❖ 3<sup>rd</sup> watch = 2:00 – 6:00 AM





## Luke 12:39-40

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**“But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.”**



A photograph of two men in traditional, long, dark robes and white head coverings walking away from the camera on a rocky, uneven path. The path is bordered by a low wall of rough-hewn stones. The background shows more of the stone wall and some greenery. The text "Luke 12:41" is overlaid in a white, serif font at the top center of the image.

**Luke 12:41**

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**Peter asked, “Lord, are you telling  
this parable to us, or to everyone?”**





## Luke 12:42

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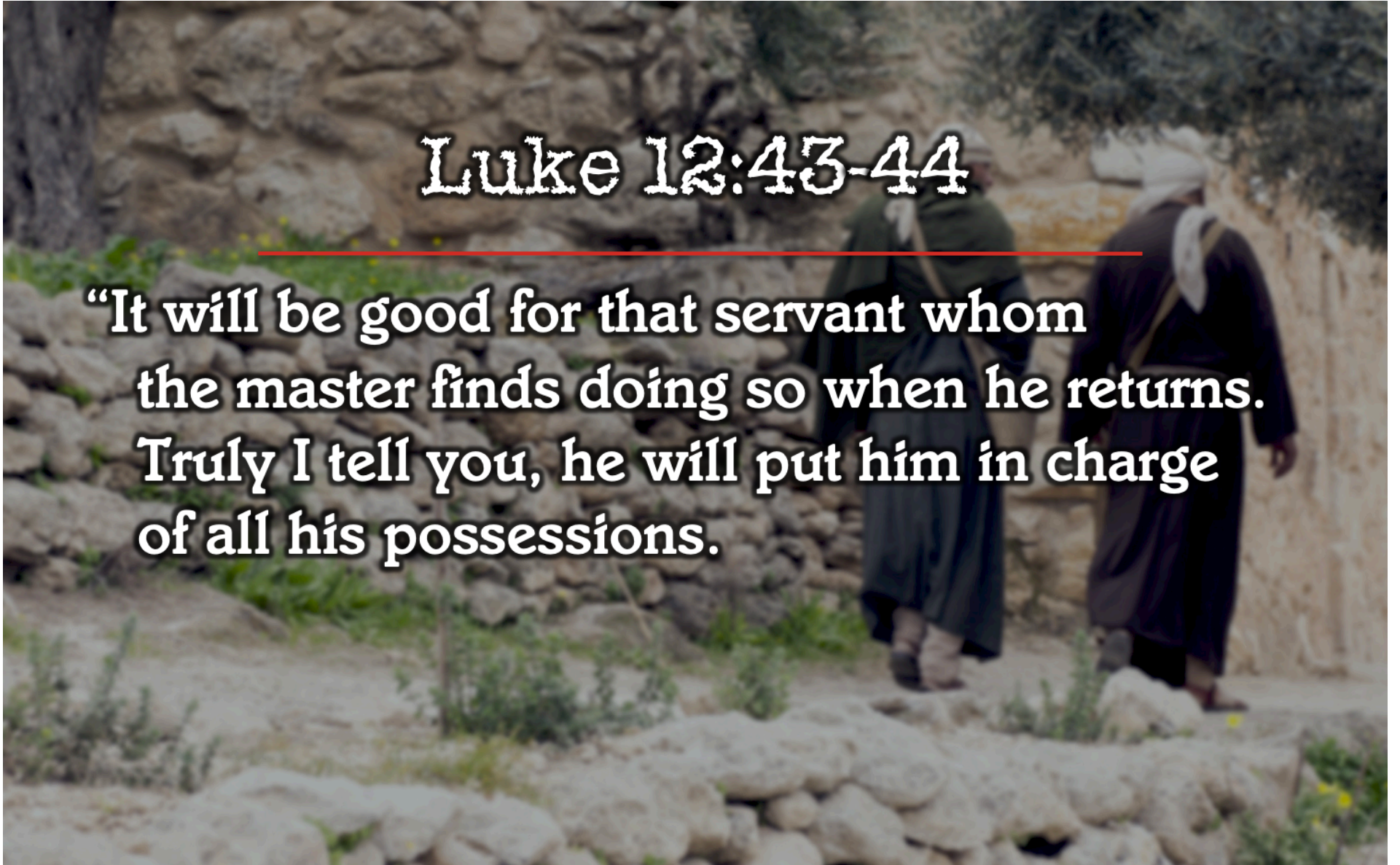
**The Lord answered, “Who then is the faithful and wise manager, whom the master puts in charge of his servants to give them their food allowance at the proper time?”**



## Luke 12:43-44

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**“It will be good for that servant whom the master finds doing so when he returns. Truly I tell you, he will put him in charge of all his possessions.**





## Luke 12:45

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**“But suppose the servant says to himself,  
‘My master is taking a long time in coming,’  
and he then begins to beat the other servants,  
both men and women, and to eat and drink  
and get drunk.**





## Luke 12:46

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**“The master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he is not aware of. He will cut him to pieces and assign him a place with the unbelievers.**



A photograph of two men in traditional, long, dark robes and white head coverings walking away from the camera on a rocky, uneven path. The background consists of a rough stone wall and some sparse vegetation. The text is overlaid on the image.

**Luke 12:47**

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**“The servant who knows the master’s will and does not get ready or does not do what the master wants will be beaten with many blows.**



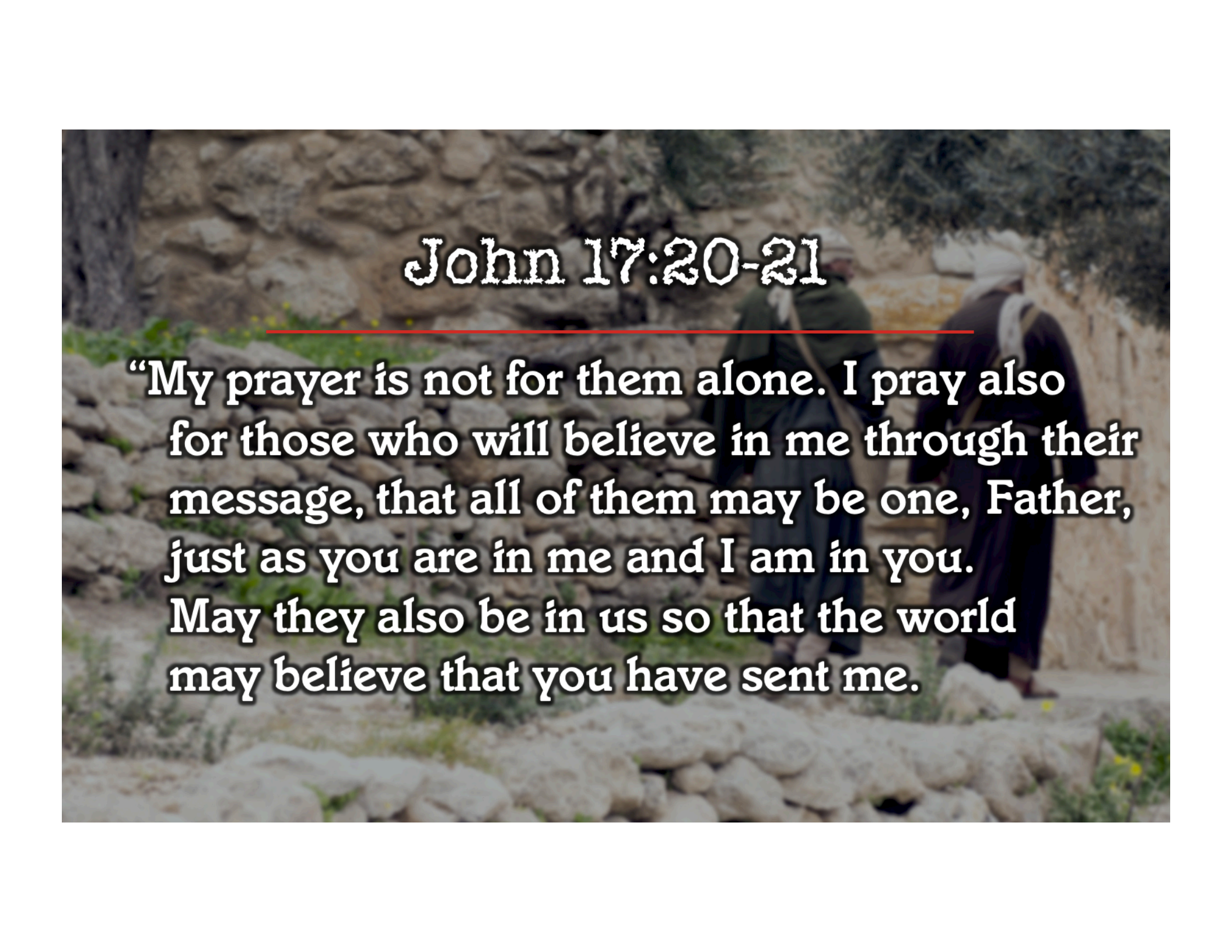


## Luke 12:48

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**“But the one who does not know and does things deserving punishment will be beaten with few blows. From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked.”**



The background of the slide is a photograph of a stone wall. Two people, likely men, are walking away from the camera on a path. They are wearing traditional, dark-colored clothing and head coverings. The scene is outdoors, with some greenery visible on the left side.

## John 17:20-21

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**“My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me.**



The background of the slide is a photograph of a stone wall. Two people, dressed in traditional, dark, long-sleeved robes and head coverings, are walking away from the camera along a path that runs along the base of the wall. The scene is outdoors, with some greenery visible on the left side.

## John 17:22-23

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**“I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one — I in them and you in me — so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.”**



# Leadership:

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- ❖ Acts 20:28-35
- ❖ Romans 16:17-18
- ❖ 1 Timothy 4:12-16
- ❖ 1 Peter 5:1-11
- ❖ 2 Peter 2:1-3







## Luke 12:49-50

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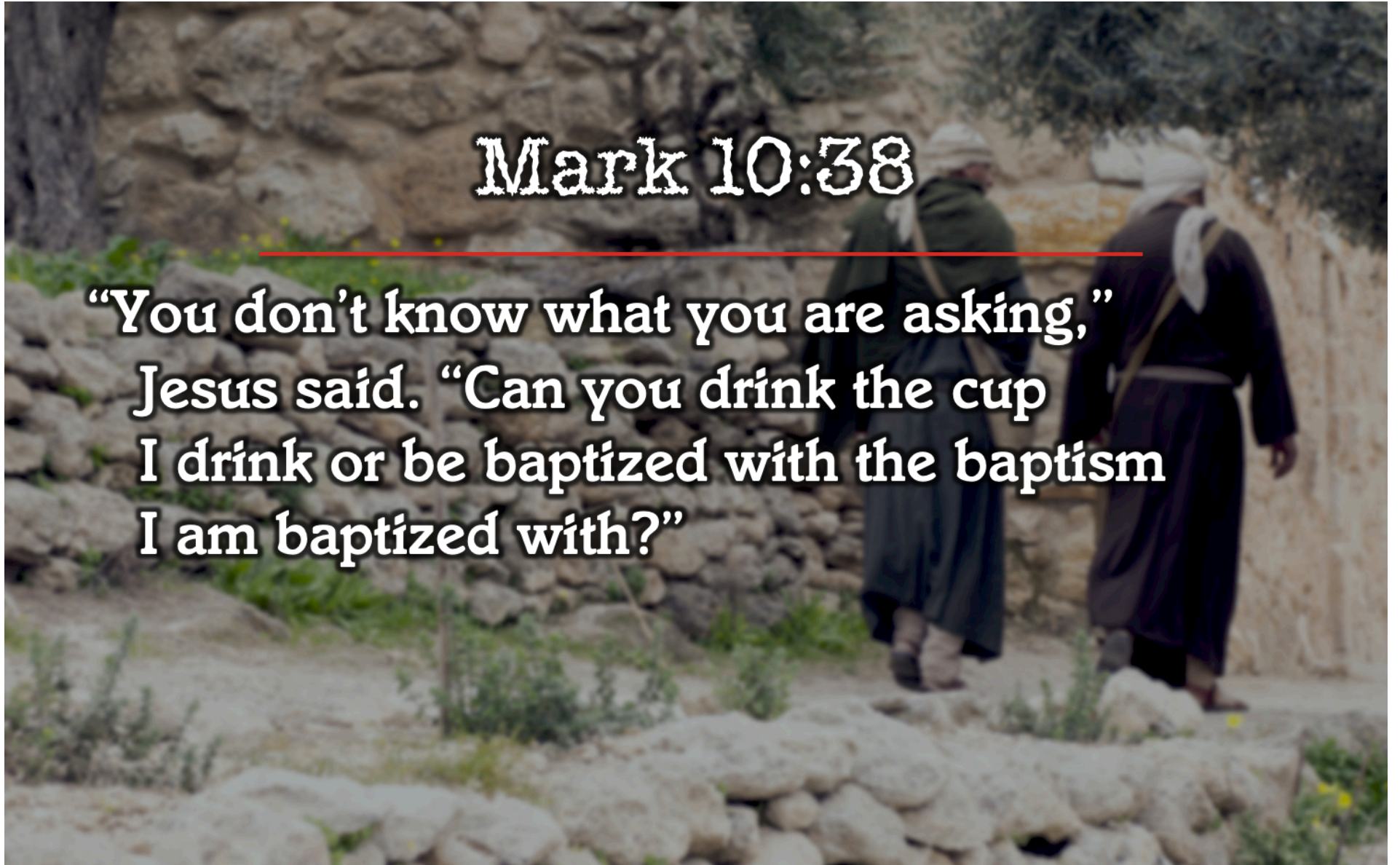
**“I have come to bring fire on the earth,  
and how I wish it were already kindled!  
But I have a baptism to undergo, and what  
constraint I am under until it is completed!”**



## Mark 10:38

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**“You don’t know what you are asking,”  
Jesus said. “Can you drink the cup  
I drink or be baptized with the baptism  
I am baptized with?”**





## Luke 12:51-52

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**“Do you think I came to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but division. From now on there will be five in one family divided against each other, three against two and two against three.”**



## Luke 2:34-35

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Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too."





## Luke 12:53

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**“They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.**



## Luke 12:54-55

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“He said to the crowd: “When you see a cloud rising in the west, immediately you say, ‘It’s going to rain,’ and it does. And when the south wind blows, you say, ‘It’s going to be hot,’ and it is.”



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## Luke 12:56

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**“Hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of the earth and the sky. How is it that you don’t know how to interpret this present time?”**



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**Luke 12:57**

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**“Why don’t you judge for yourselves  
what is right?”**



## Luke 12:58-59

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**“As you are going with your adversary to the magistrate, try hard to be reconciled on the way, or your adversary may drag you off to the judge, and the judge turn you over to the officer, and the officer throw you into prison. I tell you, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny.”**



# What have we learned?

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- ❖ We are accountable for how we use what has been entrusted to us.
- ❖ Faithfulness includes promoting unity.
- ❖ We should live expectantly, with undivided loyalty.







# 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