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The Walk


Helps for modeling our lives after Jesus Christ





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An aerial view of the Earth from space, showing the continents of North America, South America, Europe, Africa, and Australia. The oceans are a deep blue, and the landmasses are a mix of green and brown. The text is overlaid on the center of the image.

**Our citizenship is in heaven,
from which we also
eagerly wait for the Savior,
the Lord Jesus Christ.**

Philippians 3:20 (New King James Version)

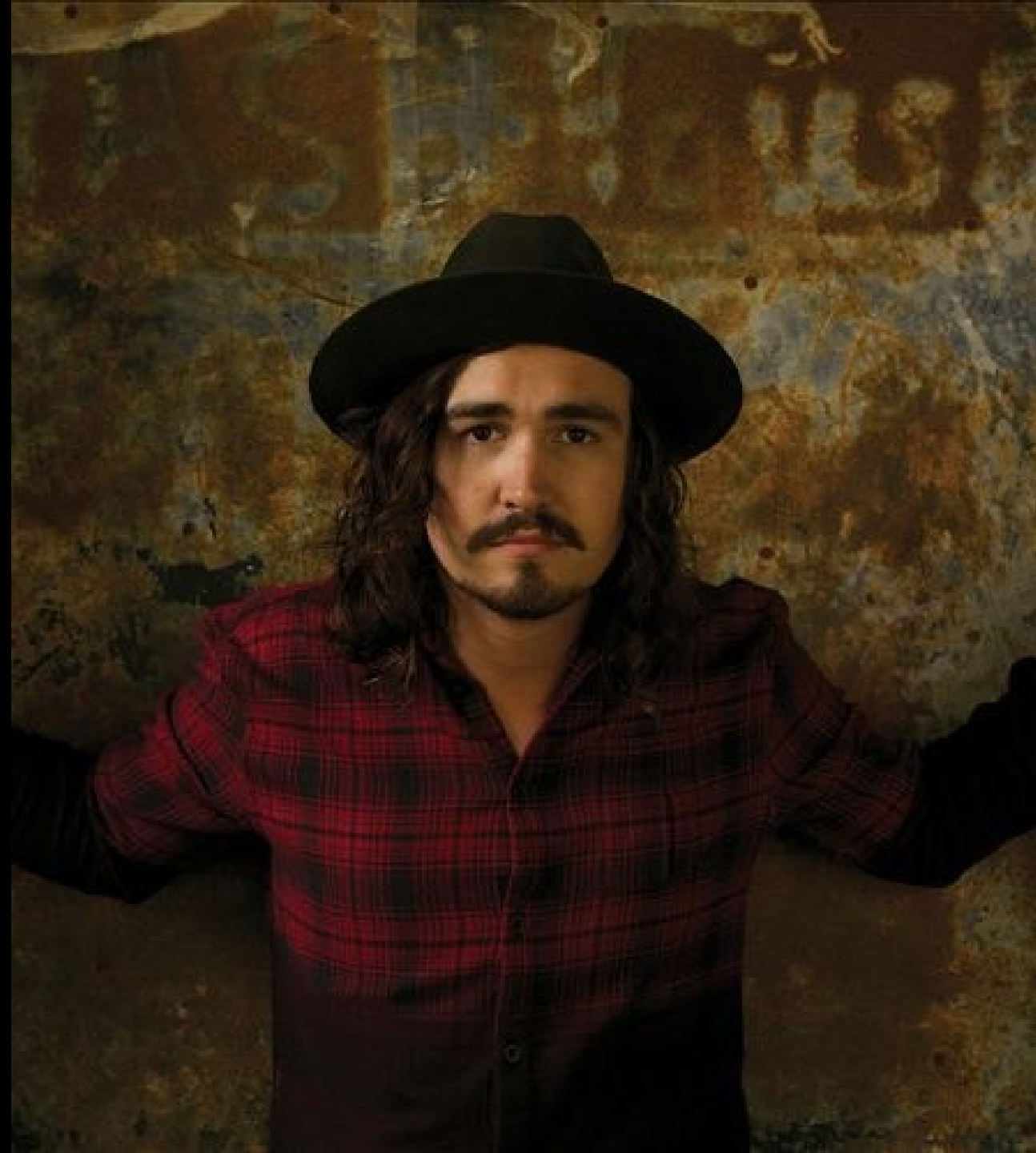


**KINGDOM
OF
HEAVEN**
Passport

Changed

Jordan Feliz

Let me tell you, all my friends
About this joy I'm living in
Let me take the mic,
go on and testify
How I was dead
and then I came to life
No more living in the dark of night
Now everything's alright



I've been changed,
I've been saved
Brand new day
I've been changed, I've been changed
Tell me why would I turn back now?
There's no end to the love I've found
Future's bright and
there ain't no doubt
I've been changed, I've been changed



I put my hands in the air
'Cause I know you're there
(your love did something magical)
I put my hands in the air
'Cause you heard my prayer
(a transformation radical)
I put my hands in the air
'Cause I know you're there
(I know it's supernatural)



I put my hands in the air
'Cause you heard my prayer
(Woo-oooh-oooh)
I've been changed, I've been
saved (I can feel it now)
Brand new day (I believe it)
I've been changed, I've been
changed (oh, I
Woo-oh, I've been changed



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Woo-oh, woo-oh

Woo-oh



Wherever We Go



Whatever We Do



**The Lord Wants
Us To Be Holy**

Holy = Different

YES
Stand Out As
Different

Reflect the Character and
Conduct of the Lord Jesus Christ

Living our lives after the model of the Lord Jesus Christ

*For God called you to do good, even if it means suffering,
just as Christ suffered for you.*

He is your example, and you must follow in his steps.

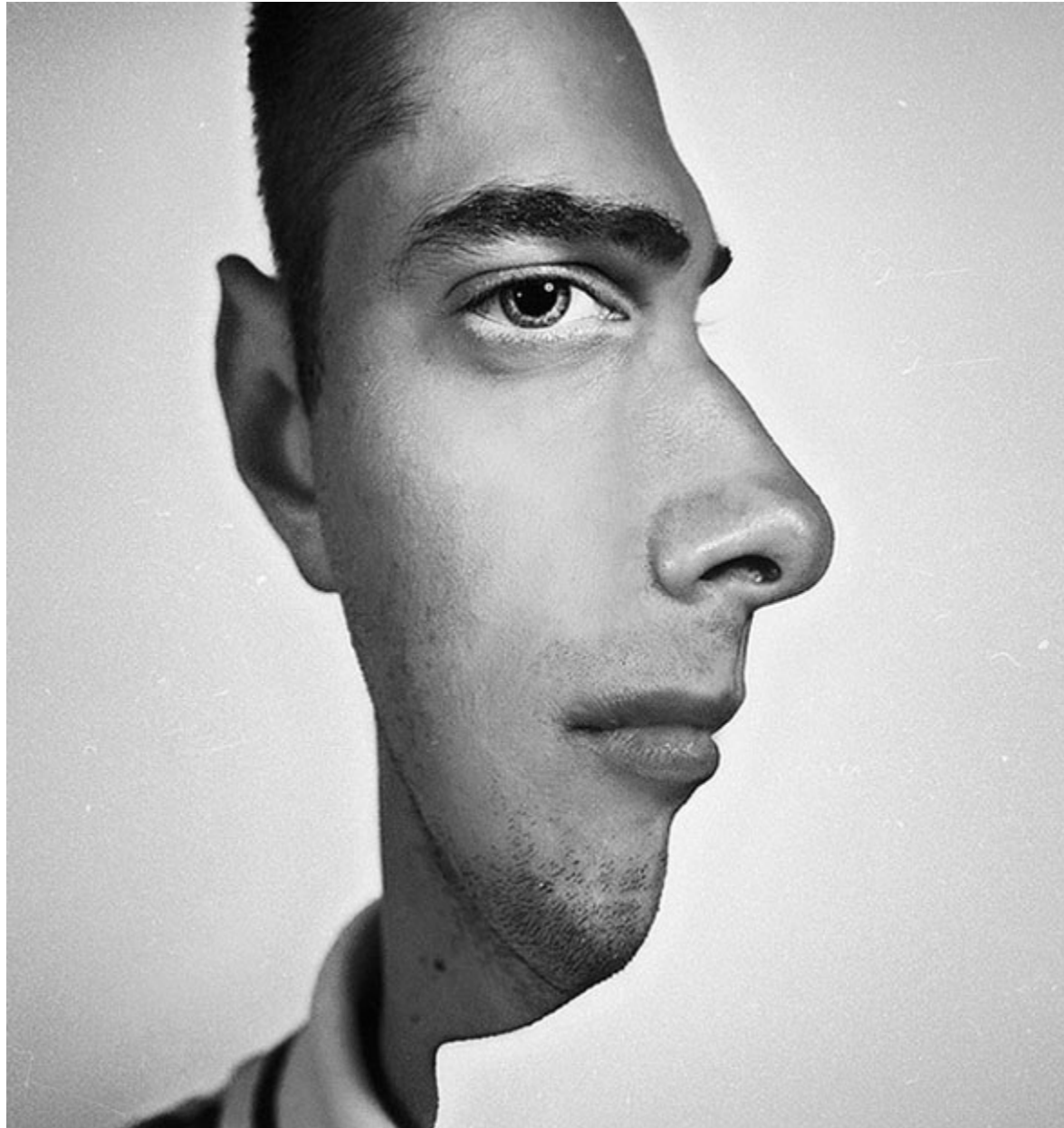
He never sinned, nor ever deceived anyone.

*He did not retaliate when he was insulted,
nor threaten revenge when he suffered.*

He left his case in the hands of God, who always judges fairly.

1 Peter 2:21-23

**Sometimes
we act like
Jesus**

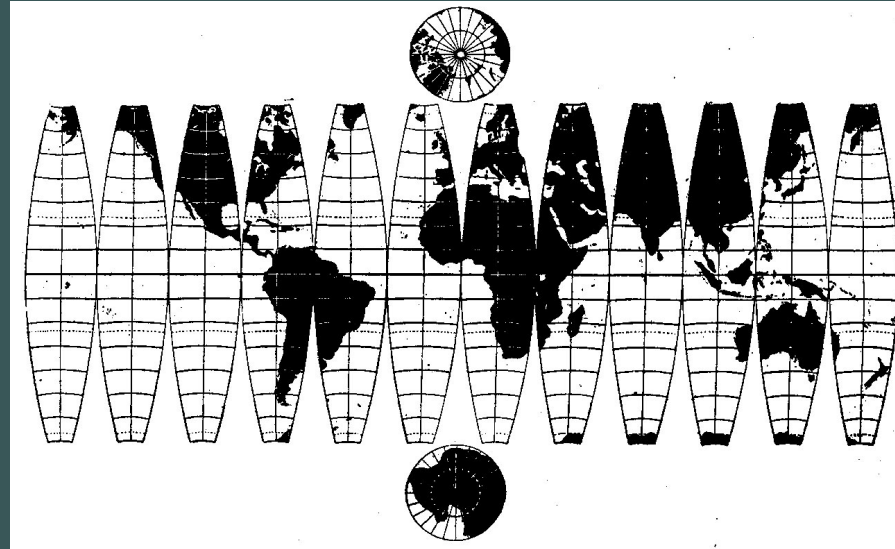


**Sometimes
we act like
the world**

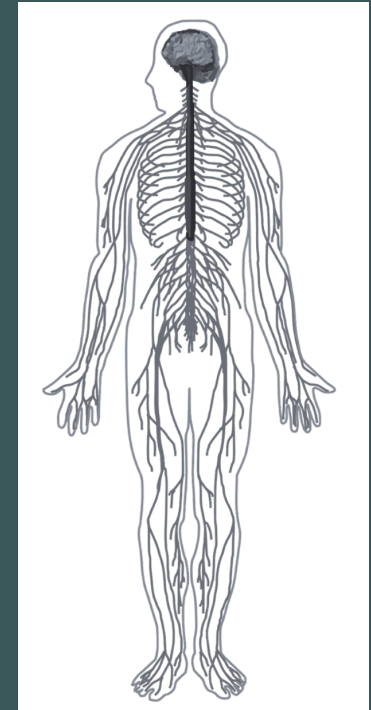
We are involved in a Spiritual War



The Evil One



The World Systems
Operating Without
God



Our Flesh

Galatians 5:16-17

So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives.
Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves.

The sinful nature wants to do evil,
which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants.
And the Spirit gives us desires
that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires.

These two forces are constantly fighting each other,
so you are not free to carry out your good intentions.

Galatians 5:19-21

When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear:

**sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures,
idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger,
selfish ambition, dissension, division,
envy, murders, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these.**

**Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life
will not inherit the Kingdom of God.**

Galatians 5:22-25

But the fruit of the Spirit is
love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness,
faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.
Against such there is no law.

And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh
with its passions and desires.
If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

Thoughts in Victim Thinking



Someone or something is responsible for my situation!


I have a right to be upset!

This is very bad for me!



- I never have enough time
- I'm always so busy I never have any "me" time
- I'm that way because of my childhood
- If you cared about me you wouldn't do that
- They just don't respect me
- I deserve some relief from this terrible situation

THE GOAL

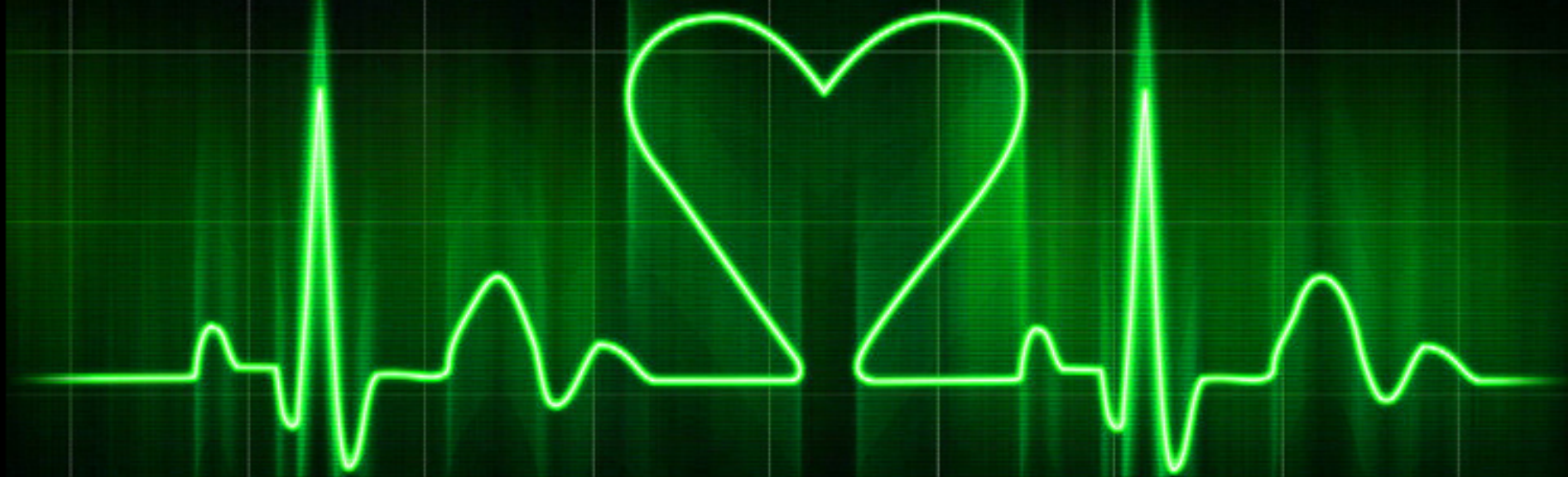
A photograph of a dark, narrow tunnel with rough, textured walls. A wooden ladder is leaning against the right wall, extending from the floor to a small, rectangular opening in the ceiling. Through this opening, a bright blue sky with white clouds is visible. The lighting is dramatic, with a strong light source from the opening, casting long shadows and highlighting the texture of the walls and the rungs of the ladder.

Realizing God Has Empowered
us to live without feeling like a victim

As believers we have the Holy Spirit



He will provide help as we ask.



*Keep your heart with all diligence,
For out of it spring the issues of life.*

Proverbs 4:23 (New King James Version)

Instead of staying in Victim Mentality



We must become

Aware

of when we are in
or heading to
Victim Mentality
and
Works of the
Flesh

Negative emotions
signal us to

Choose

to seek help from
the Lord

We

Respond

with action and
move us to a
Christ like
response

The Fruit
of the Spirit

The Fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23)

**love, joy, peace,
patience, kindness, goodness,
faithfulness, gentleness, self-control**



The Way of the World (without God)

Stimulus



Reaction

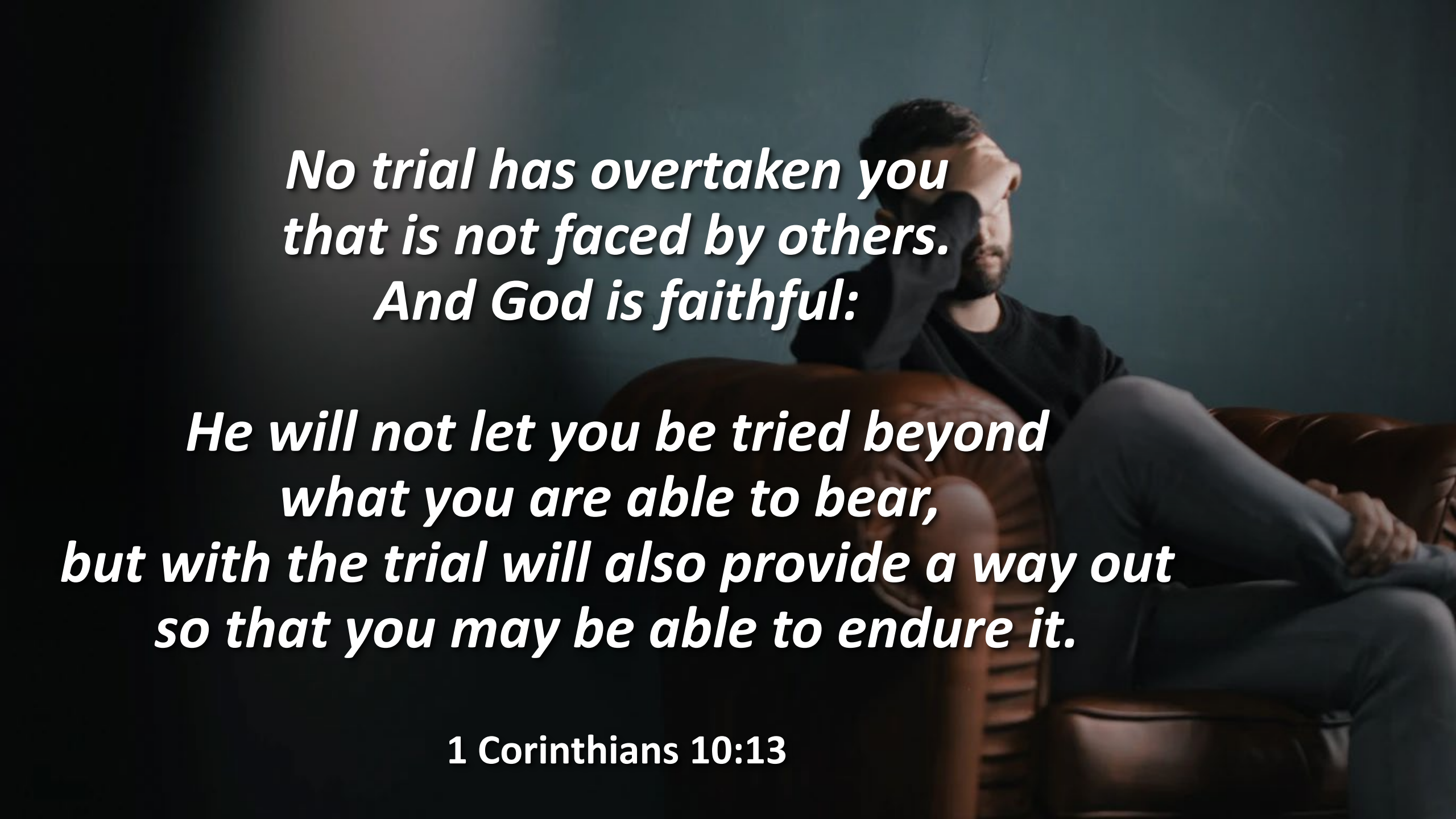
Victim Mode

The Way of Believers walking in the Spirit

Walk as Overcomers

STIMULUS → **CHOICE** → **RESPONSE**

We Engage God's Powerful Help

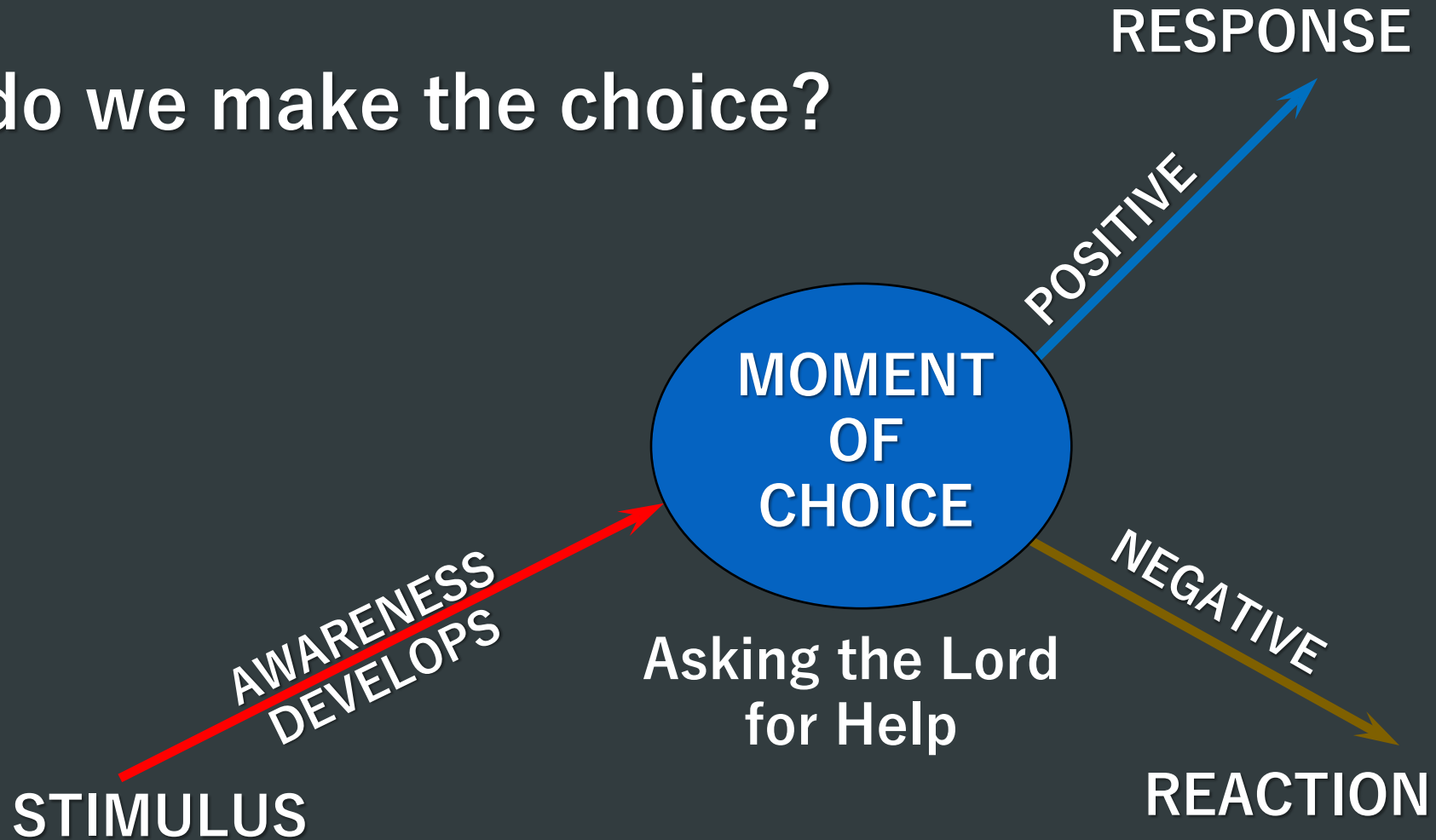
A man with a beard and short hair is sitting on a dark brown leather chair. He is wearing a black t-shirt and blue jeans. He is looking off to the right with a thoughtful expression. The background is a dark, muted blue-grey color.

***No trial has overtaken you
that is not faced by others.
And God is faithful:***

***He will not let you be tried beyond
what you are able to bear,
but with the trial will also provide a way out
so that you may be able to endure it.***

1 Corinthians 10:13

How do we make the choice?





**But you, God, see the trouble of the afflicted;
You consider their grief and take it in hand.
The unfortunate victim entrusts his cause to You;
You deliver the fatherless.**

Psalms 10:14

David's Response

LORD, how they have increased who trouble me!
Many *are* they who rise up against me.
Many *are* they who say of me,
“*There is no help for him in God.*”

But

You, O LORD, *are* a shield for me,
My glory and the One who lifts up my head.

Psalm 3:1-3

But You O Lord

Another Response

WHY?

Now What Shall I Do O Lord



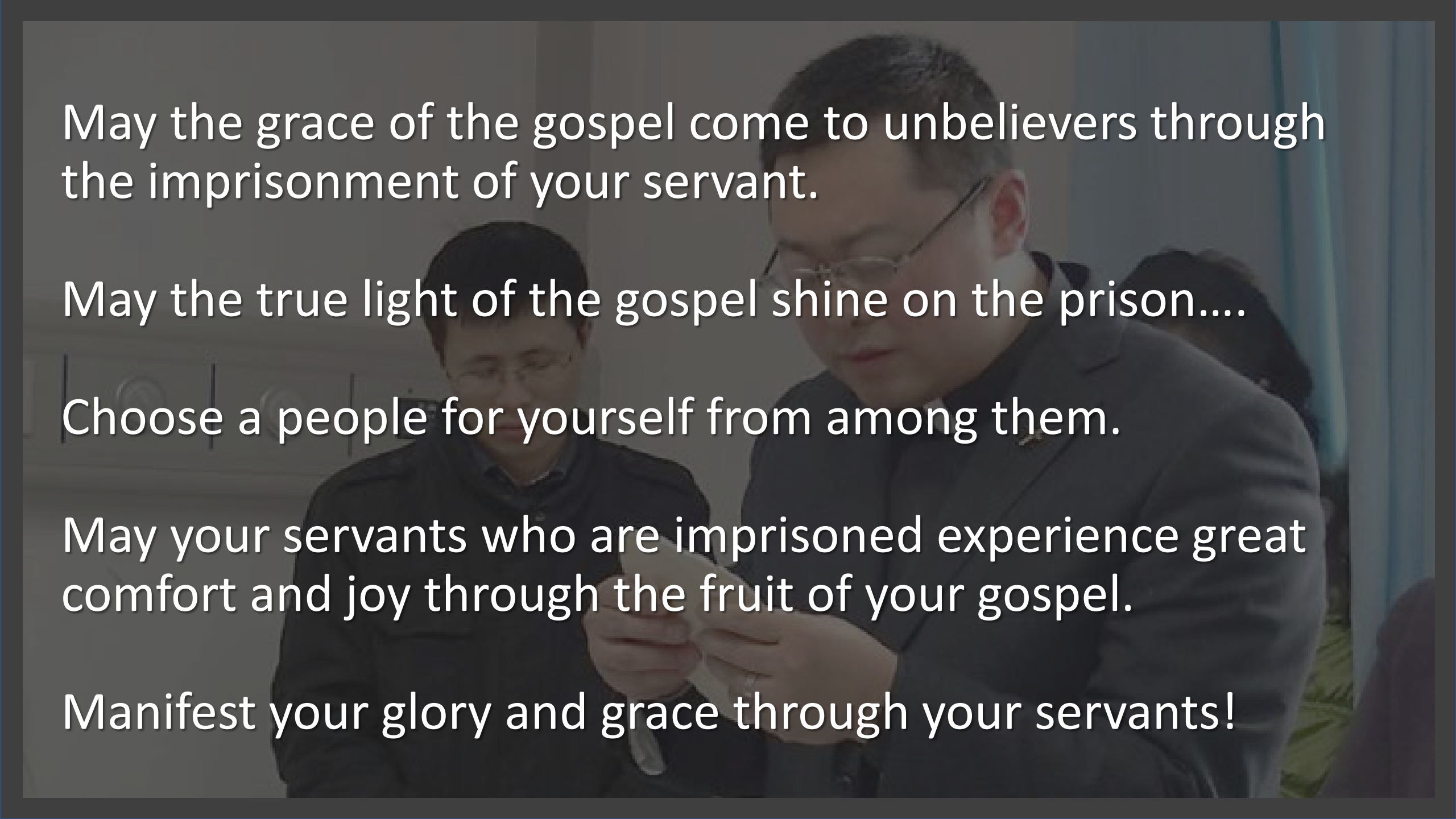
Chinese Pastor Wang Yi



9 years in a communist prison for
"inciting subversion of state power,"
and "illegal business operations."

A photograph showing a priest in a dark suit and glasses reading a small white card. He is standing next to a man in a dark jacket who is also looking down. The background is slightly blurred, showing what appears to be a church interior with a white wall and a blue curtain. The text "Now What Do You Want Me To Do O Lord?" is overlaid in red on the image.

Now What Do You Want Me To Do O Lord?



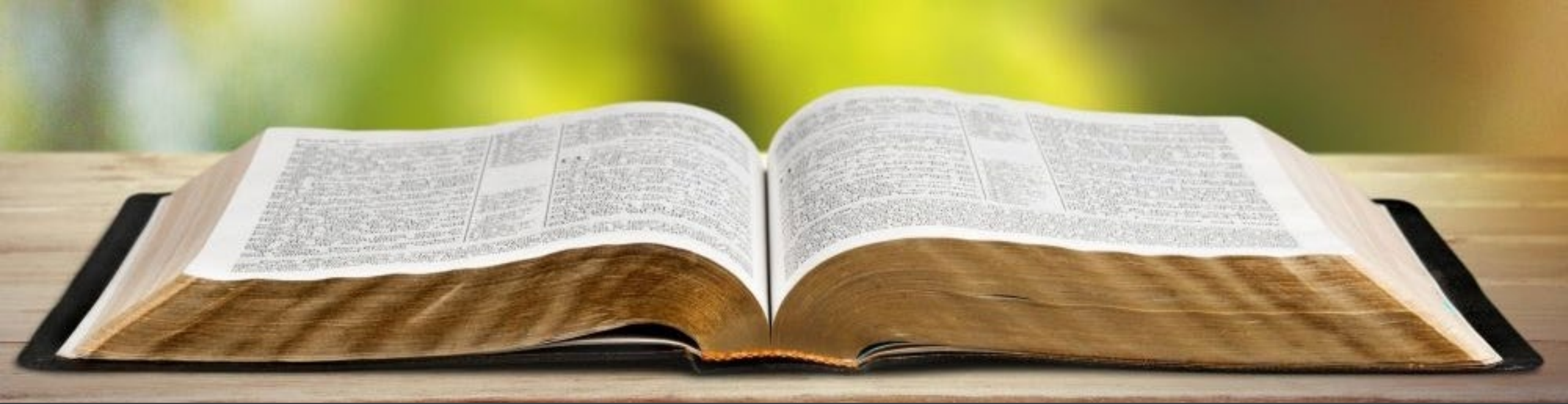
May the grace of the gospel come to unbelievers through the imprisonment of your servant.

May the true light of the gospel shine on the prison....

Choose a people for yourself from among them.

May your servants who are imprisoned experience great comfort and joy through the fruit of your gospel.

Manifest your glory and grace through your servants!



Daniel

Chapters 1-4

He never said:
“Now what do you want me to do O Lord,”
he just did it.



Daniel & Friends captive in Babylon

Their What Shall We Do Situation





Idea to ask for a trial period so not to defile their lives



At the appointed time they were approved in their understanding of the Education Track

Their What Shall We Do Situation





Nebuchadnezzar's troubling dream



Command to interpret the dream



Daniel given time to pray with his friends



Daniel reports to the King



The King praises the God of Heaven and elevates Daniel

Their What Shall We Do Situation





The King builds an image of himself and requires the people to bow to it.



Hananiah, Mishaal, and Azariah refuse
and are sentenced to death by fire



Placed into the fiery furnace.
Their bonds were burned off, but they remain unharmed



The King sees a fourth person in the fire like divine being



Amazed at the power of their God Neubauer raised them to high governmental positions and proclaimed not one should speak bad about their God

His What Shall I Do Situation





Nebuchadnezzar had a dream of a great tree and sought out Daniel



Daniel spoke truth to power



Nebuchadnezzar was prideful over his great city and empire



For seven years he was like a wild animal
“Seven periods of time will pass by for you, before you understand that the Most High is ruler over human kingdoms and gives them to whomever he wishes.”

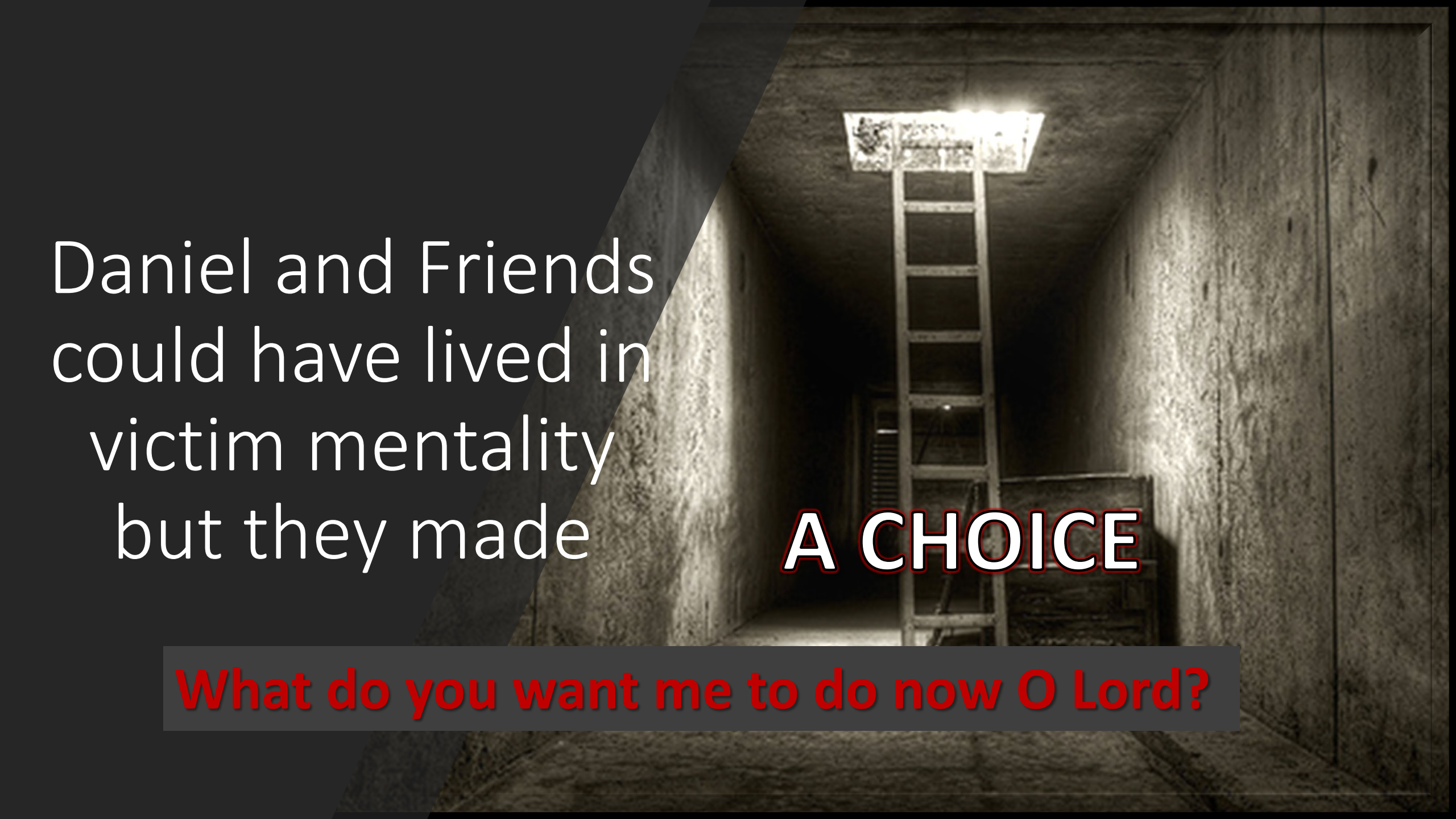
I extolled the Most High,
and I praised and glorified the one who lives
forever.

For his authority is an everlasting authority,
and his kingdom extends from one
generation to the next.

All the inhabitants of the earth are regarded
as nothing. He does as he wishes with the
army of heaven and with those who inhabit
the earth.

No one slaps his hand
and says to him, 'What have you done?'

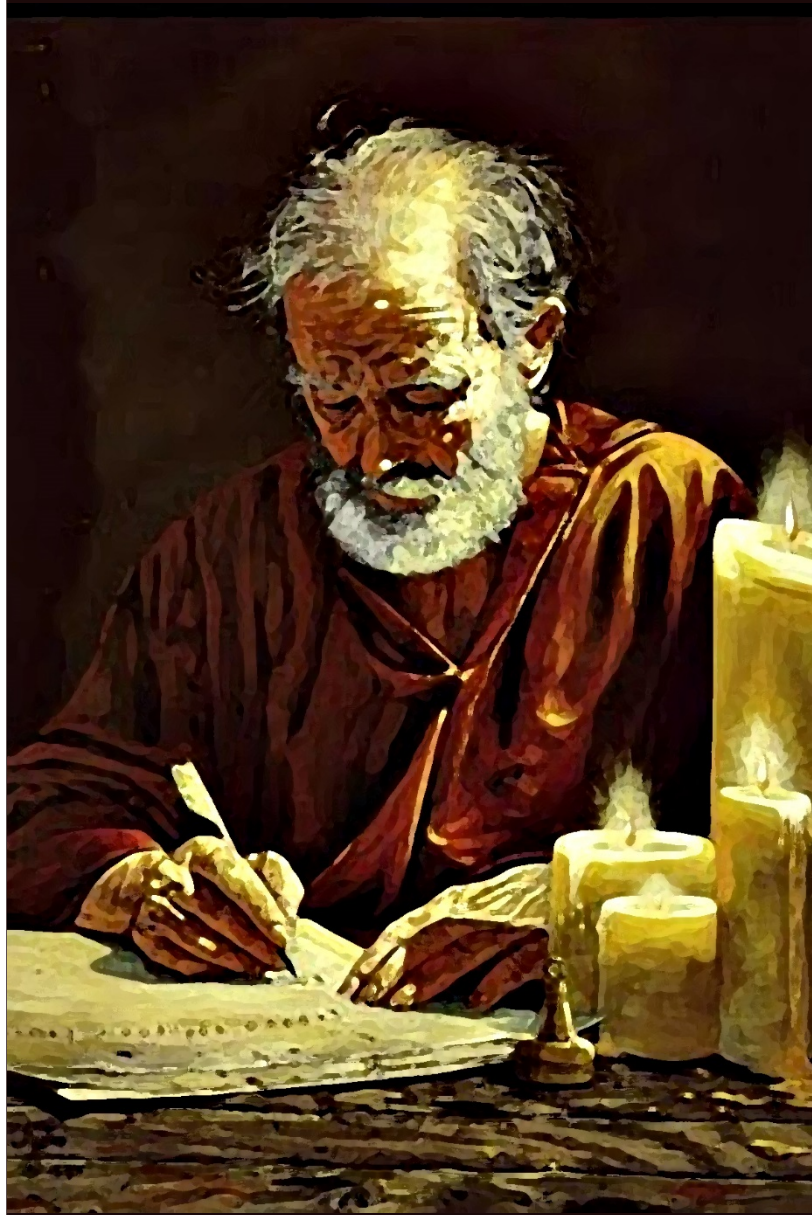


A photograph of a dark, narrow tunnel or bunker. A metal ladder is leaning against the right wall, reaching up to a rectangular light fixture on the ceiling. The walls are made of rough, textured concrete. The lighting is dim, with the primary light source being the fixture on the ceiling.

Daniel and Friends
could have lived in
victim mentality
but they made

A CHOICE

What do you want me to do now O Lord?

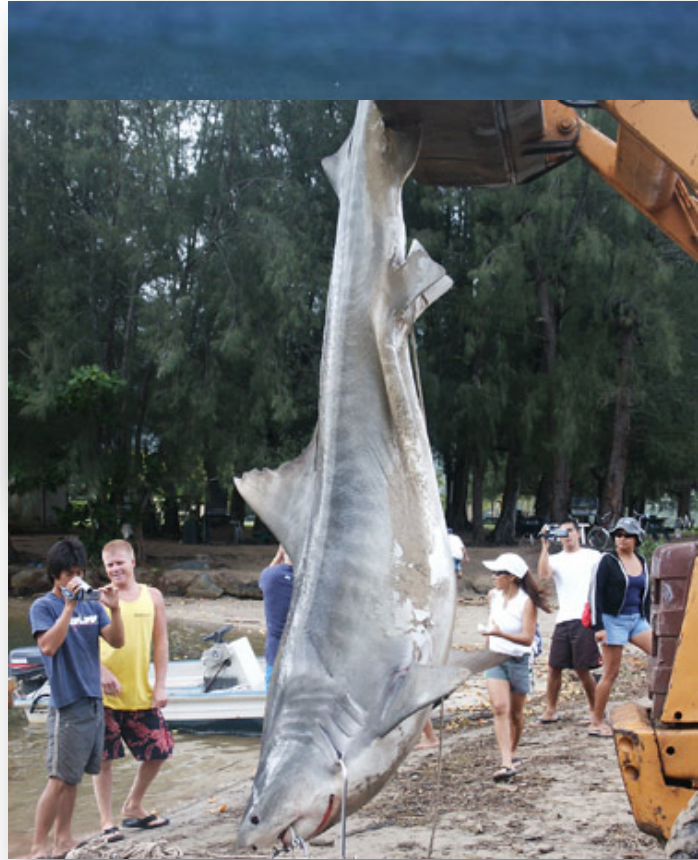


*for I have learned to be content
whatever the circumstances.*

*I know what it is to be in need,
and I know what it is to have plenty.
I have learned the secret of being content
in any and every situation,
whether well fed or hungry,
whether living in plenty or in want.*

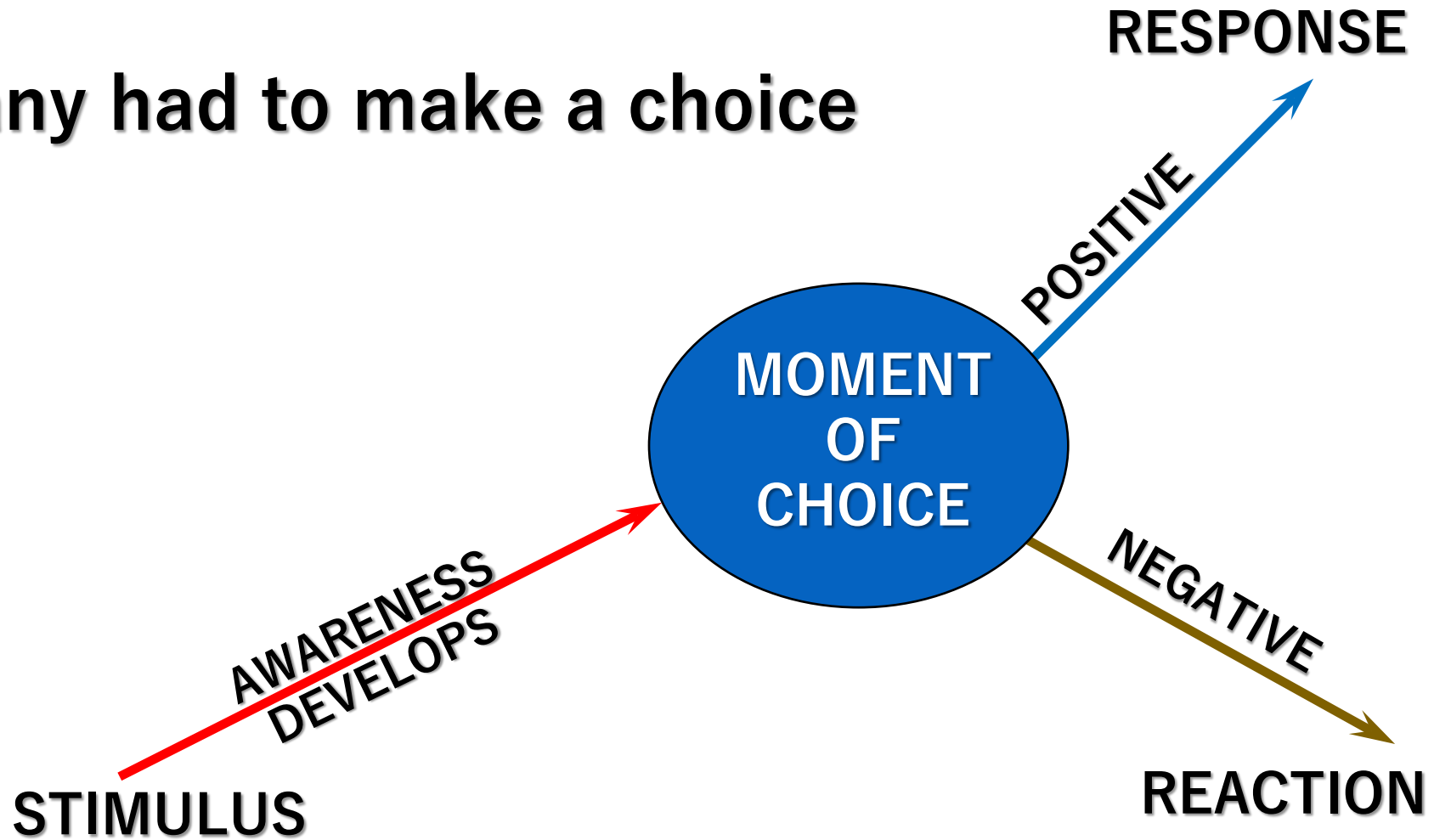
*I can do all things through Christ who strengthens
me.*

Philippians 4:11-13



Bethany Hamilton

Bethany had to make a choice





Bethany Hamilton



Bethany Hamilton



Adam Dirks and Bethany were married on August 18, 2013.

The couple have a son named Tobias, born in 2015.

In 2018 they had a second son, Wesley.

Bethany Hamilton

What do you want me to do now O Lord?



Bethany Hamilton

What do you want me to do now O Lord?



Bethany Hamilton



**A bitter heart and
a negative outlook
is more of a handicap
than any
physical setback.**



Bethany Hamilton

BETHANY HAMILTON

*"I don't need easy,
I just need possible."*

Bethany Hamilton:
Unstoppable
A Documentary by Aaron Lieber

THE SOUL SURFER FROM THEN TO NOW

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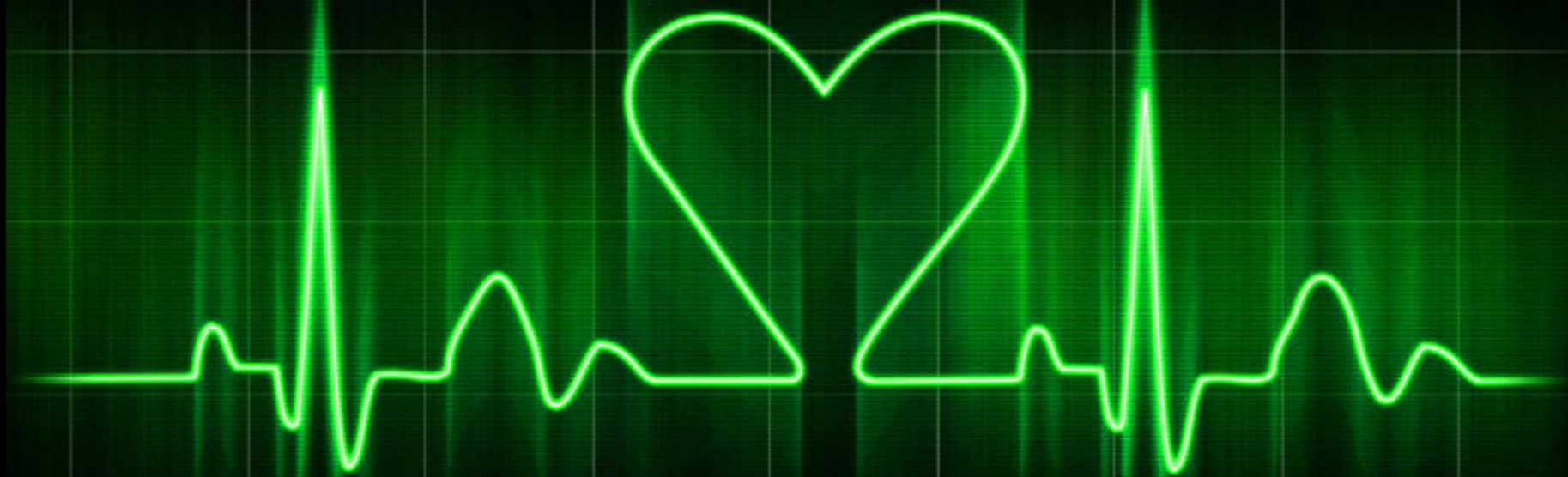
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A 90-minute feature documentary
Bethany Hamilton: Unstoppable
From director-cinematographer Aaron Lieber







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Partner Questions



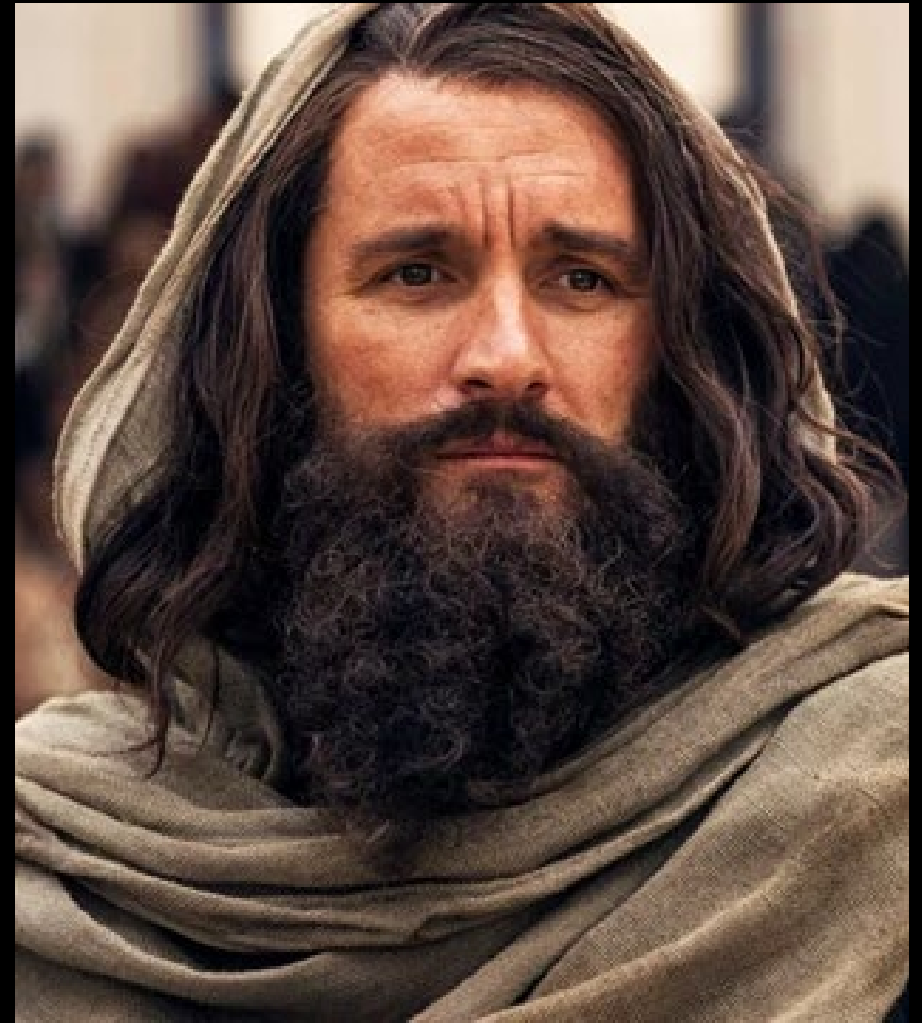


Partner Questions

- 1. What are some things Brittany Hamilton could have done as a victim instead of seeking the Lord with the question, “What do you want me to do now”?**
- 2. When was a time you felt like a victim? What would you do differently now?**

From James,
a bondservant
of God and of the
Lord Jesus Christ,
To the twelve tribes which
are scattered abroad:
Greetings.

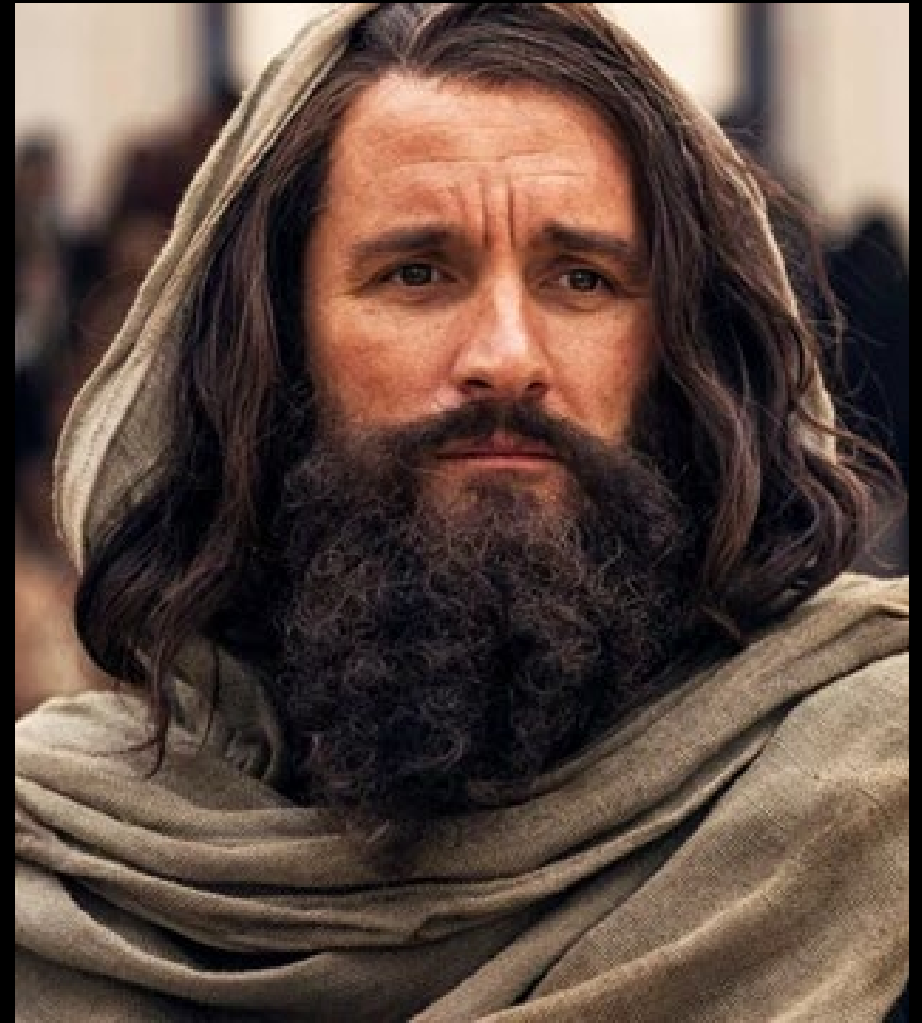
James 1:1



James
Brother of Jesus

My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience.

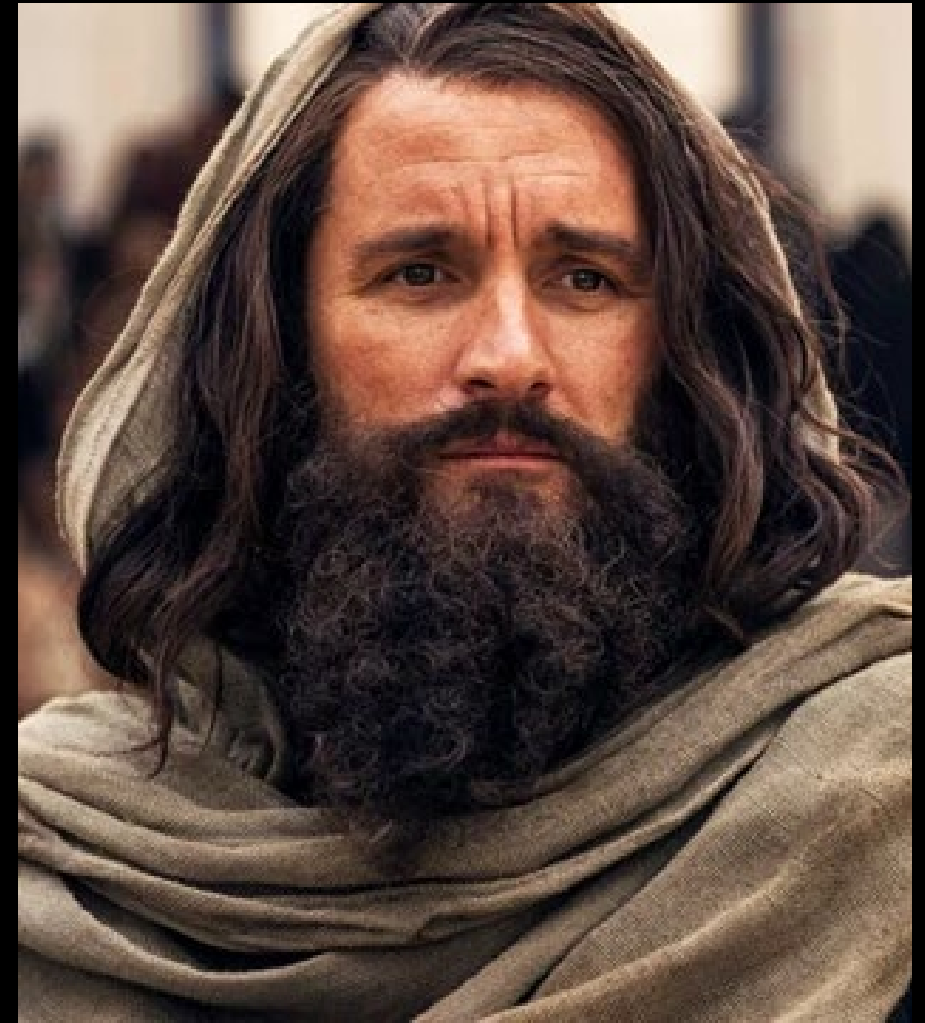
James 1:2-3



James
Brother of Jesus

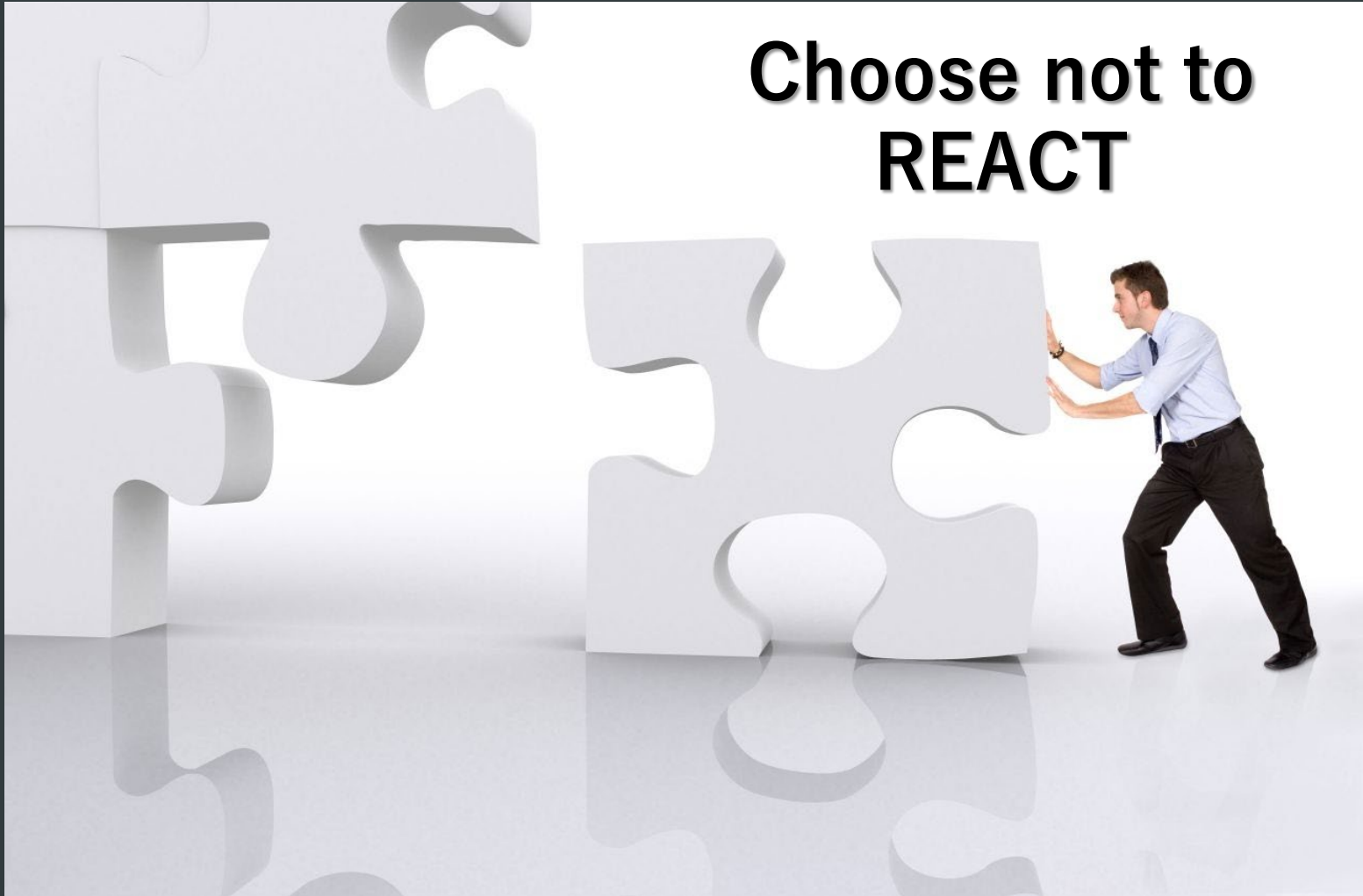
But let patience
have its perfect work,
that you may be
perfect and complete,
lacking nothing.

James 1:4



James
Brother of Jesus

**Choose not to
REACT**



Control our emotions and Respond with Solutions





*Encouraging others
to feel victimized with us*

The Old Testament

In the Wilderness Wanderings





Murmuring in the Wilderness

Lesson:

God is patient, but we can get into the habit of murmuring and miss great blessings and opportunities in our lives.

Red Sea

Exodus 14: 11-12

God's Sovereignty



Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you brought us to the desert to die? What have you done to us by bringing us out of Egypt? Didn't we say to you in Egypt, 'Leave us alone; let us serve the Egyptians'? It would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the desert!"

Bitter Water

Exodus 15:23-24

God's Provision



When they came to Marah, they could not drink its water because it was bitter.

(That is why the place is called Marah.)

So the people grumbled against Moses, saying, "What are we to drink?"

Manna

Exodus 16:2

God's Provision



In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the Lord's hand in Egypt! There we sat around pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death."

No Water

Exodus 17:1-3

God's Provision



They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink.

So they quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink"...

But the people were thirsty for water there, and they grumbled against Moses.

They said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to make us and our children and livestock die of thirst?"

No Water

Exodus 17:1-3



Golden Calf

Exodus 32:1-4

God's Uniqueness



When the people saw that Moses was so long in coming down from the mountain, they gathered around Aaron and said, "Come, make us gods who will go before us. As for this fellow Moses who brought us up out of Egypt, we don't know what has happened to him."

Complaining of Hardships

Numbers 11:1

God's Way



*Now the people complained about their hardships in the hearing of the Lord,
and when he heard them his anger was aroused.*

Complaining of No Meat

Numbers 11:4-6

God's Provision



If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we ate in Egypt at no cost—also the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic. But now we have lost our appetite; we never see anything but this manna!”

...Now a wind went out from the Lord and drove quail in from the sea.

Complaining of Leadership

Numbers 12:1-3

God's Decisions



*Miriam and Aaron began to talk against Moses because of his Cushite wife,
for he had married a Cushite.*

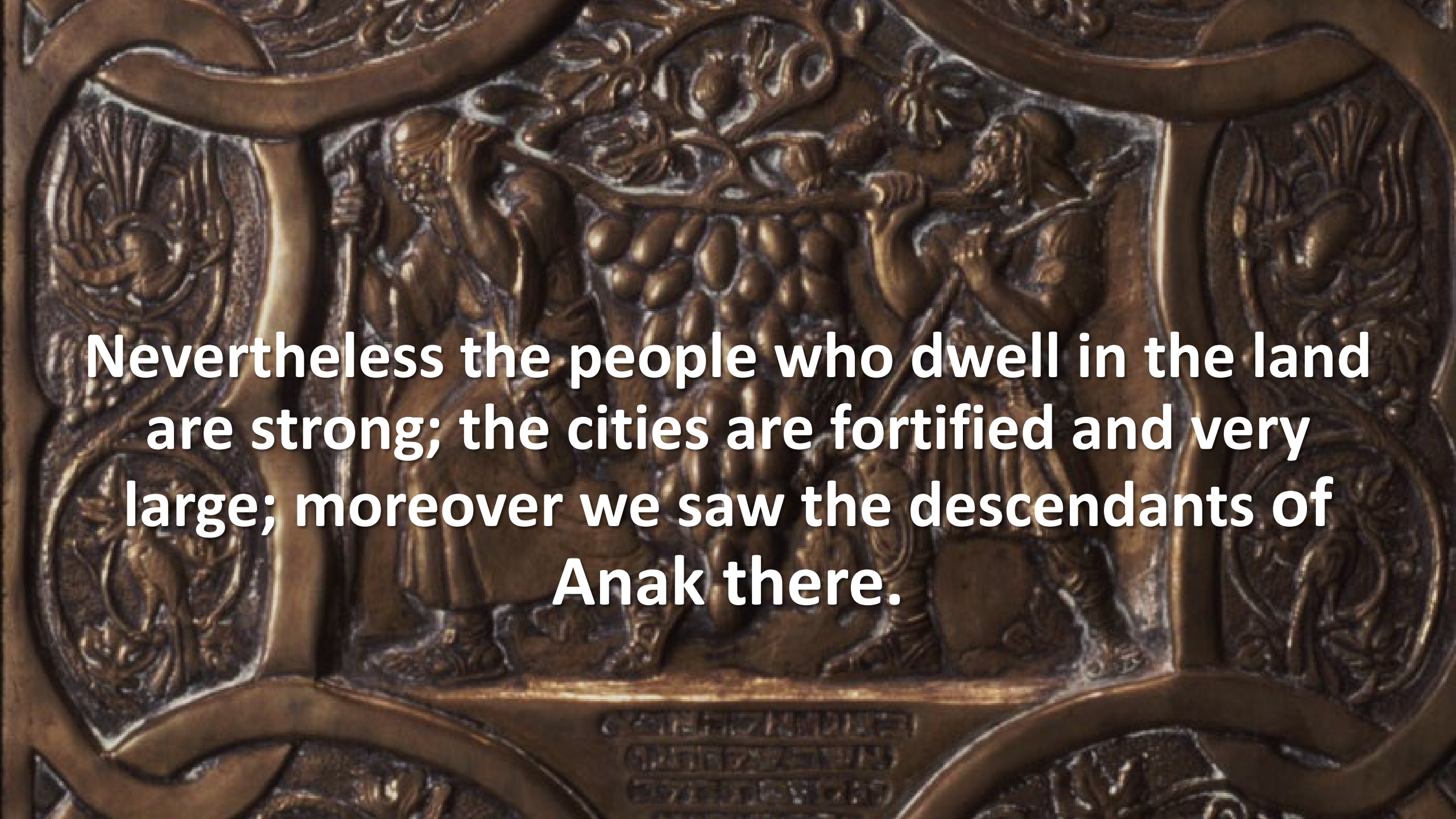
“Has the Lord spoken only through Moses?” they asked.

“Hasn’t he also spoken through us?”

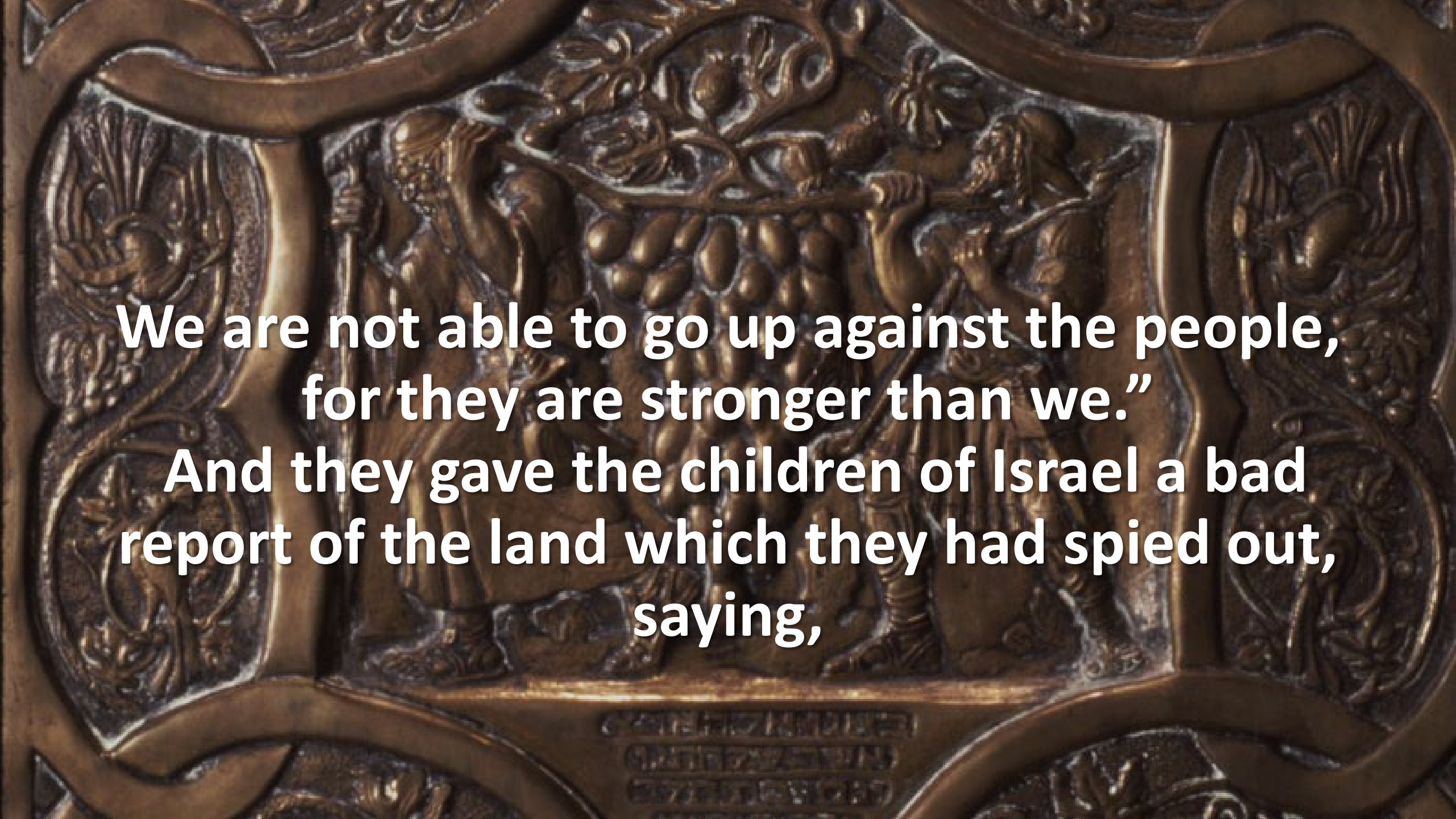


**It truly flows with milk and honey,
and this is its fruit.**

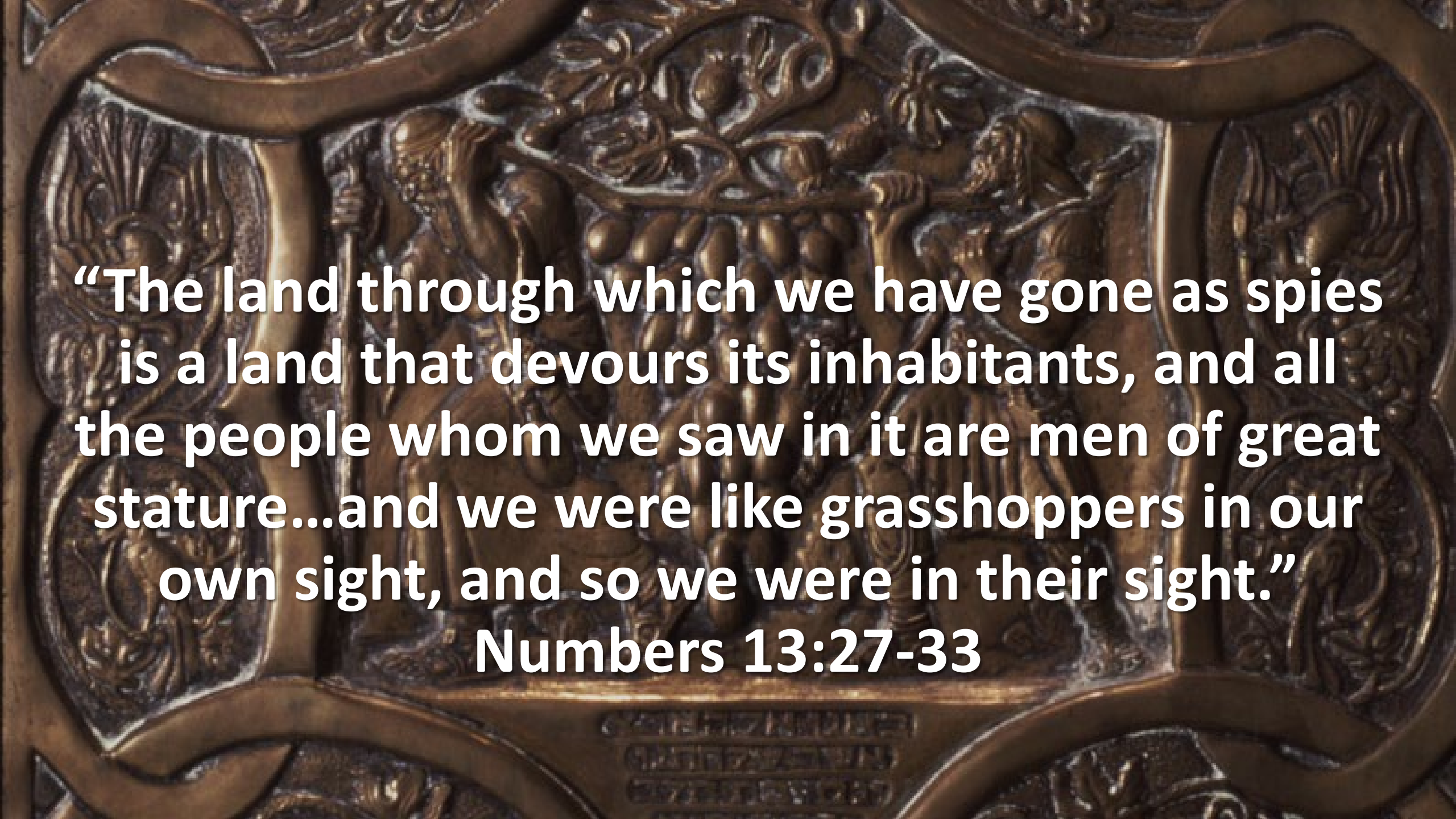
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**Nevertheless the people who dwell in the land
are strong; the cities are fortified and very
large; moreover we saw the descendants of
Anak there.**



**We are not able to go up against the people,
for they are stronger than we.”
And they gave the children of Israel a bad
report of the land which they had spied out,
saying,**



**“The land through which we have gone as spies
is a land that devours its inhabitants, and all
the people whom we saw in it are men of great
stature...and we were like grasshoppers in our
own sight, and so we were in their sight.”**

Numbers 13:27-33



**Grasshopper Vision
Would not Trust God**

Refusing the Promised Land

Numbers 14:2-4

God's Trustworthiness



All the Israelites grumbled against Moses and Aaron, and the whole assembly said to them, "If only we had died in Egypt! Or in this wilderness! Why is the LORD bringing us to this land only to let us fall by the sword? Our wives and children will be taken as plunder. Wouldn't it be better for us to go back to Egypt?" And they said to each other, "We should choose a leader and go back to Egypt."

Refusing the Promised Land

Numbers 14:27-31

God's Trustworthiness



How long will this wicked community grumble against me? I have heard the complaints of these grumbling Israelites. As surely as I live, declares the LORD, I will do to you the very thing I heard you say: Not one of you will enter the land I swore with uplifted hand to make your home, except Caleb son of Jephunneh and Joshua son of Nun. As for your children that you said would be taken as plunder, I will bring them in to enjoy the land you have rejected.



Murmuring in Life

God is patient, but we can get into the habit of murmuring and miss great blessings and opportunities in our lives.



Every crisis should push us to the Lord to allow the Holy Spirit to build the things into our lives so we may mature and become more like Jesus Christ our Lord.



Count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.

James 1:2-4

***Do all things without complaining and disputing,
that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God
without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation,
among whom you shine as lights in the world.***

Philippians 2:14-15 (New King James Version)

