



AMAZING FACTS

AMAZING DISCIPLES

LOVE & SURVIVAL

THE SCIENTIFIC BASIS FOR THE
HEALING POWER OF INTIMACY



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Anything that promotes feelings of **love and intimacy** is healing: anything that promotes **isolation**, separation, loneliness, loss, hostility, anger, ...

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cynicism, depression, alienation, and related feelings often leads to suffering, disease, and **premature death** from all causes.

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The scientific evidence ...
leaves little doubt that
love and intimacy are
powerful determinants of
our health and survival.

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Why they have
such an impact
remains somewhat
a **mystery**.

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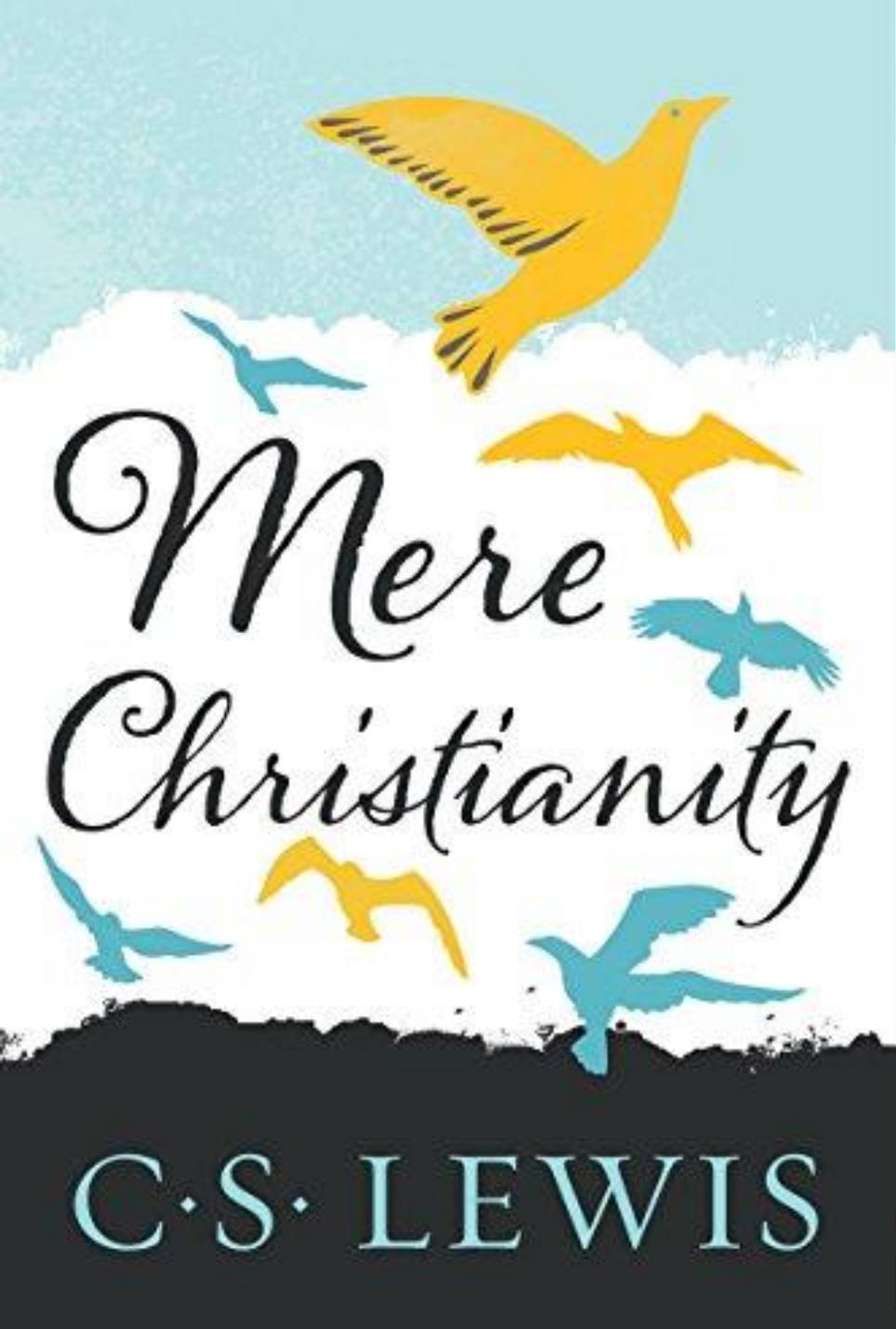
Many talk of
“energy.”

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**“What a man desires
is **unfailing love.**”**

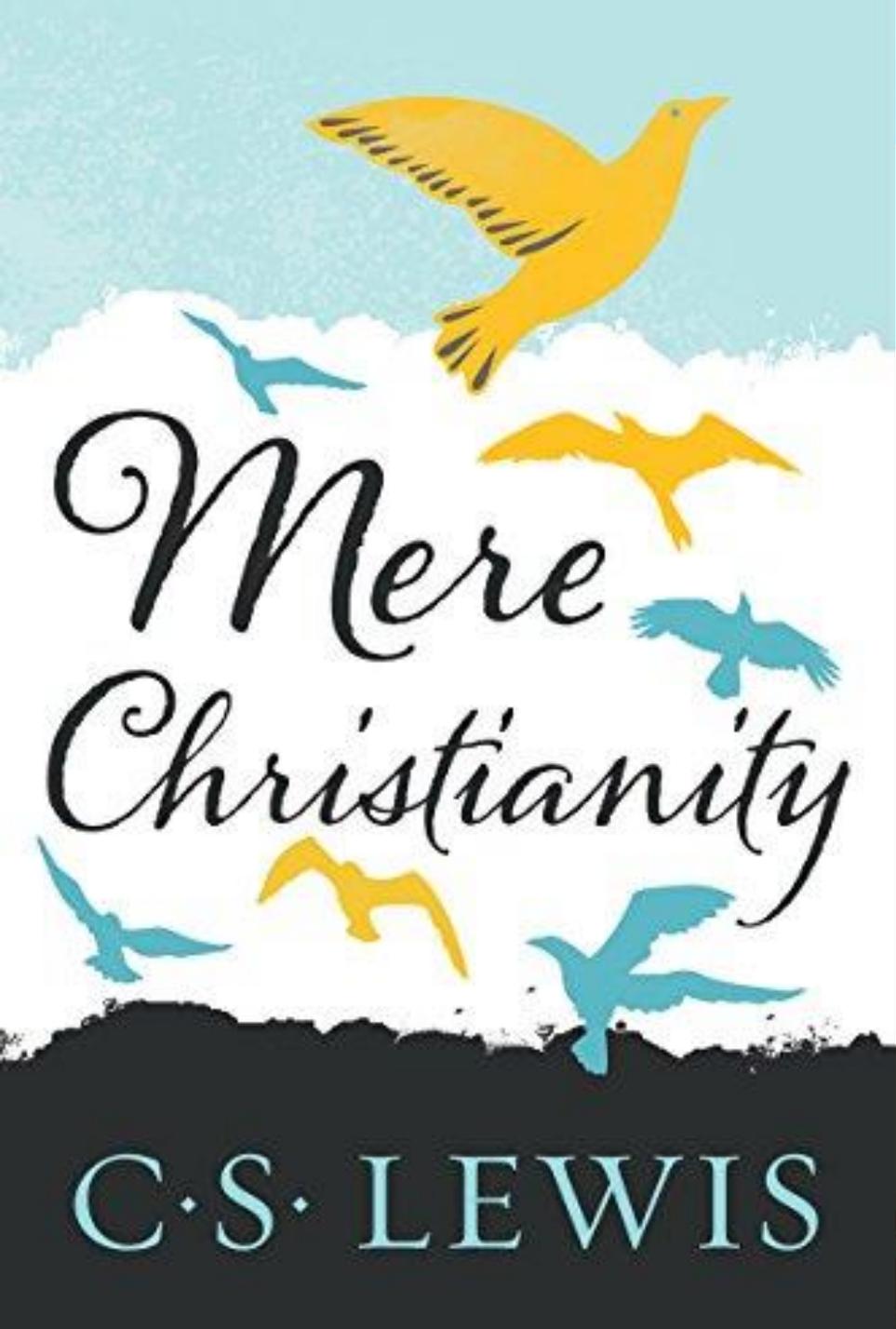
Proverbs 19:22



Mere Christianity

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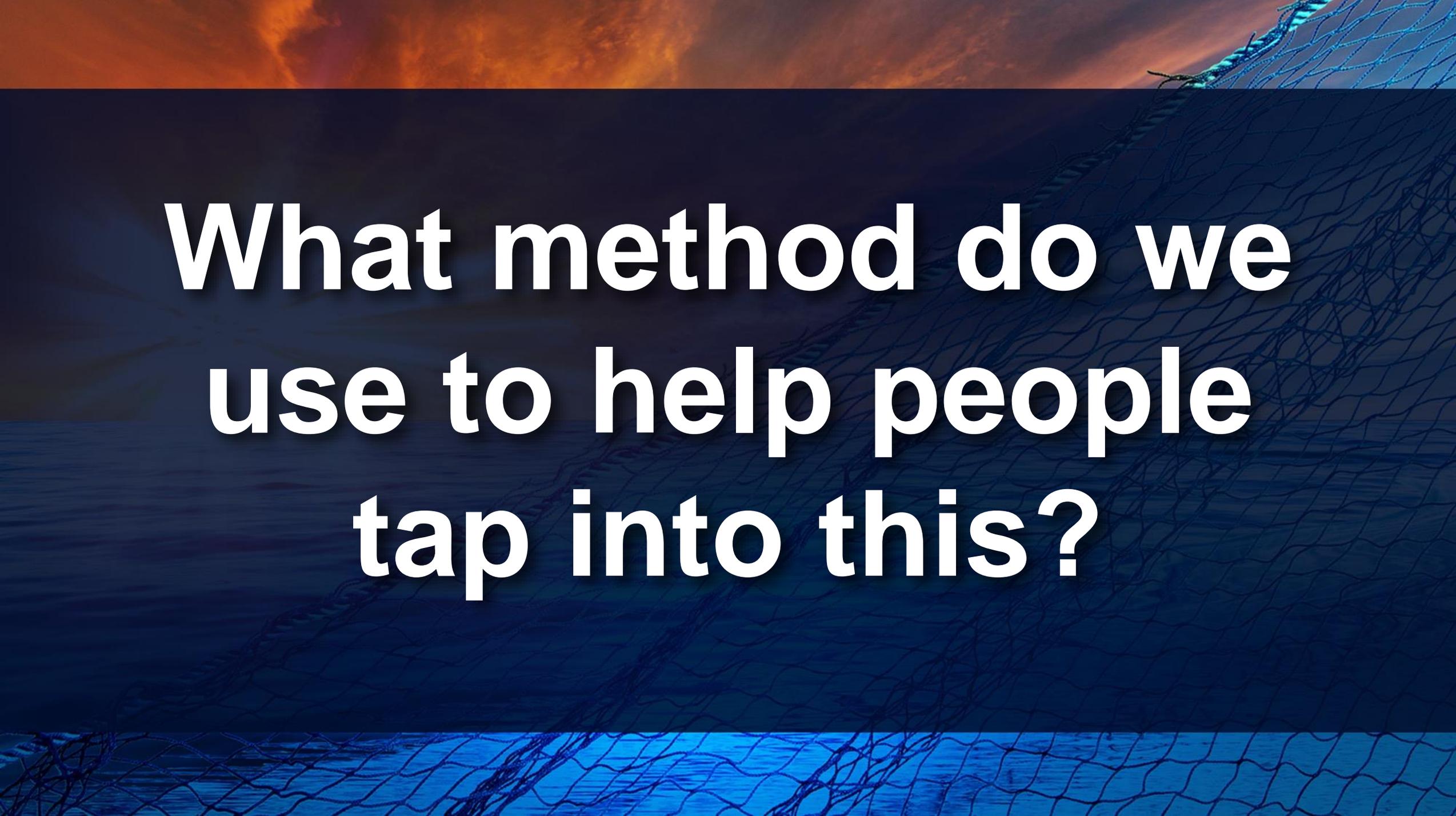
Creatures are not born with desires unless satisfaction for those desires exists. A baby feels hunger: well, there is such a thing as food. A duckling wants to swim: well, there is water. Men feel sexual desire: well, there is sex.



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Christianity

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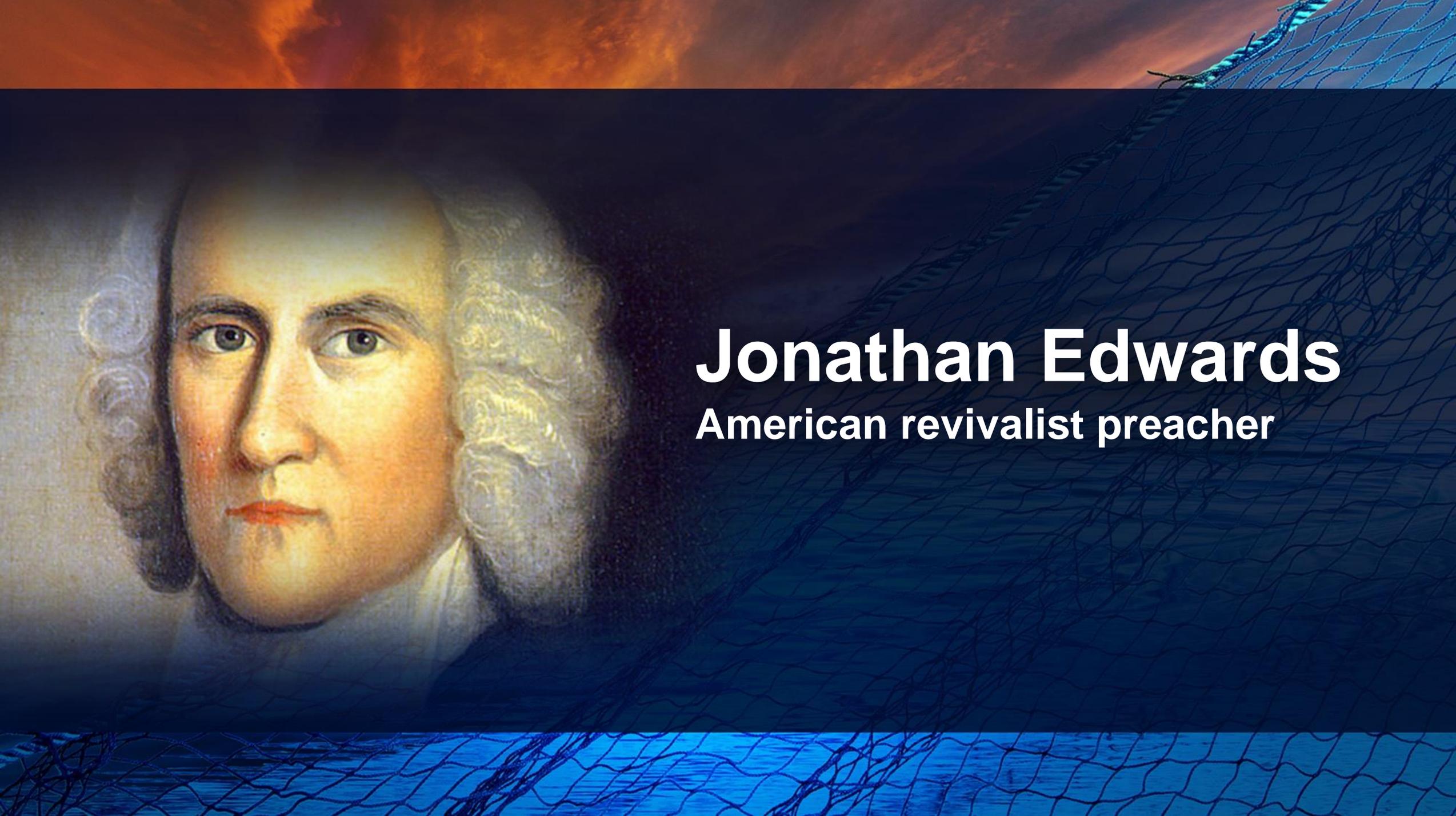
If I find in myself a desire which **no experience in this world can satisfy**, the most probable explanation is that I was made for **another world.**



**What method do we
use to help people
tap into this?**

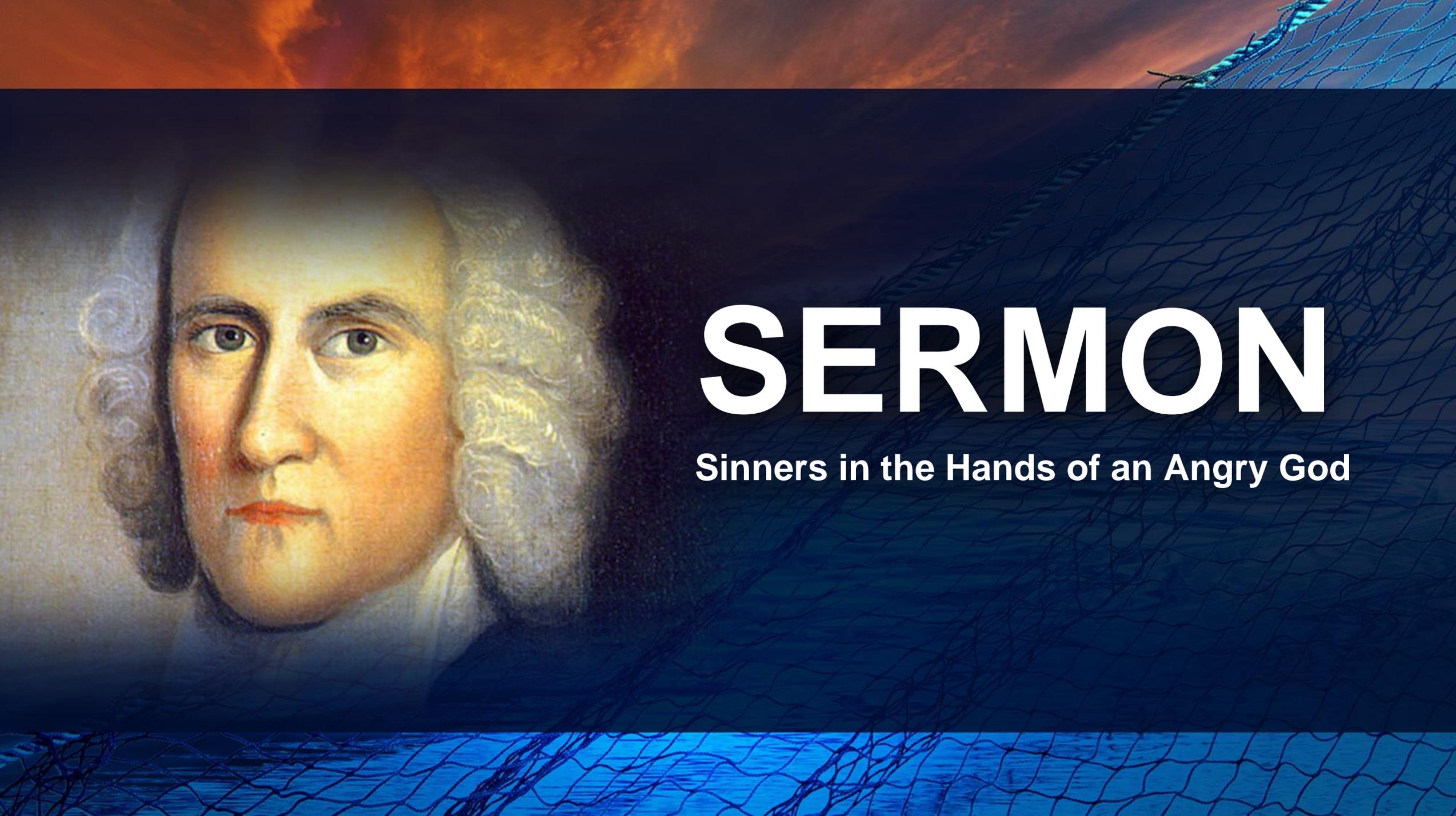


1. Apparent Success
2. No Success
3. True Success



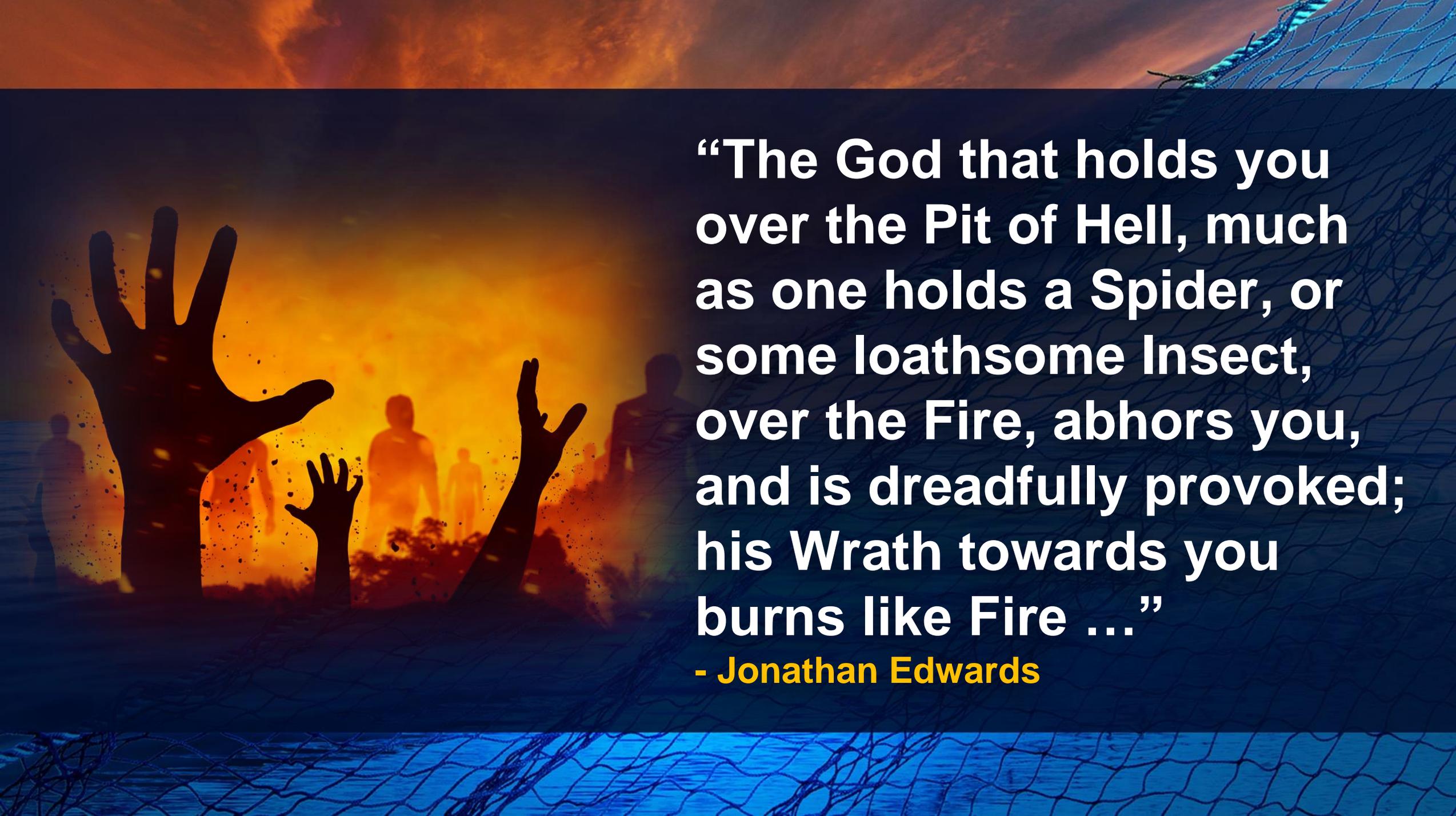
Jonathan Edwards

American revivalist preacher



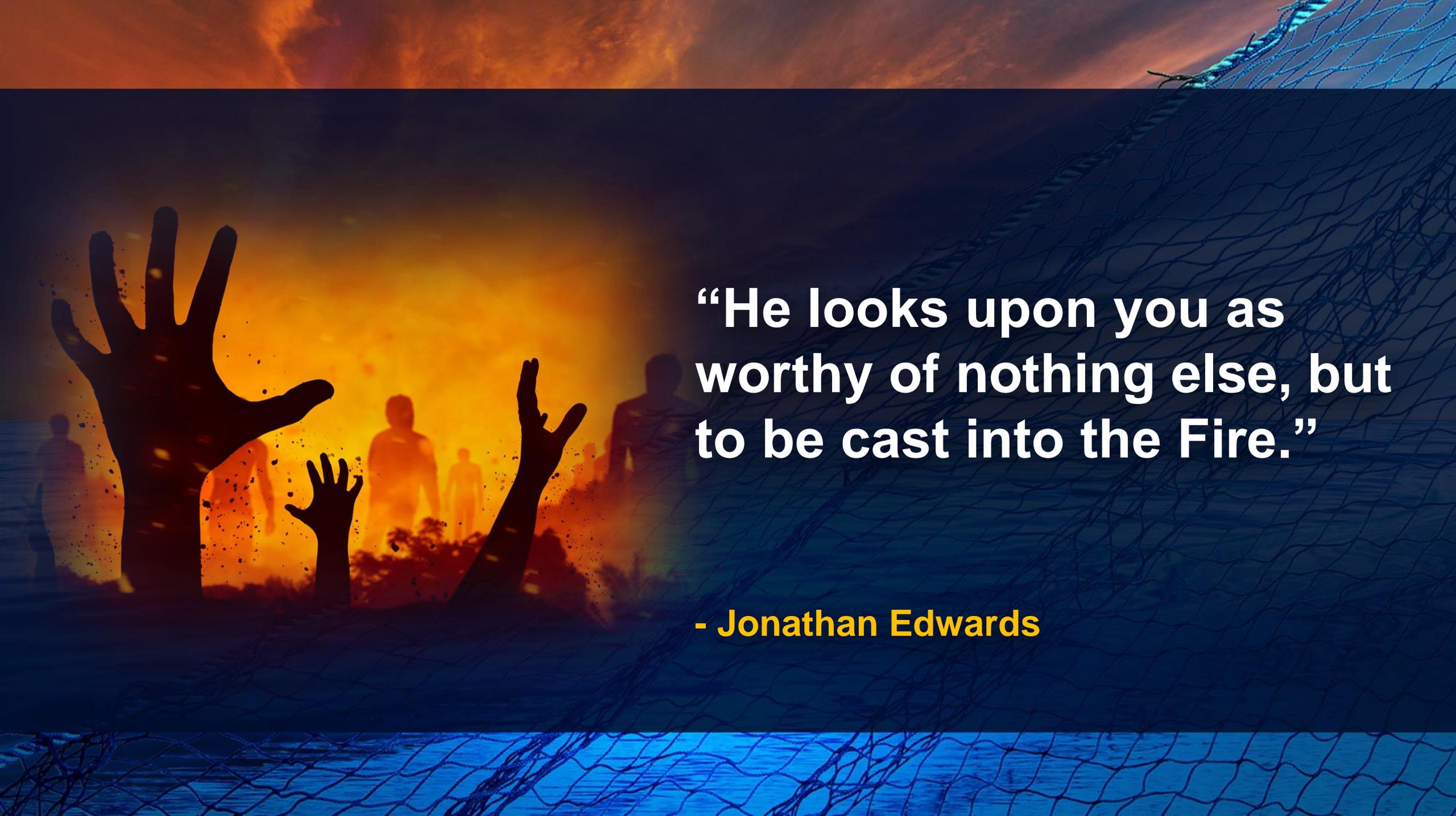
SERMON

Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God



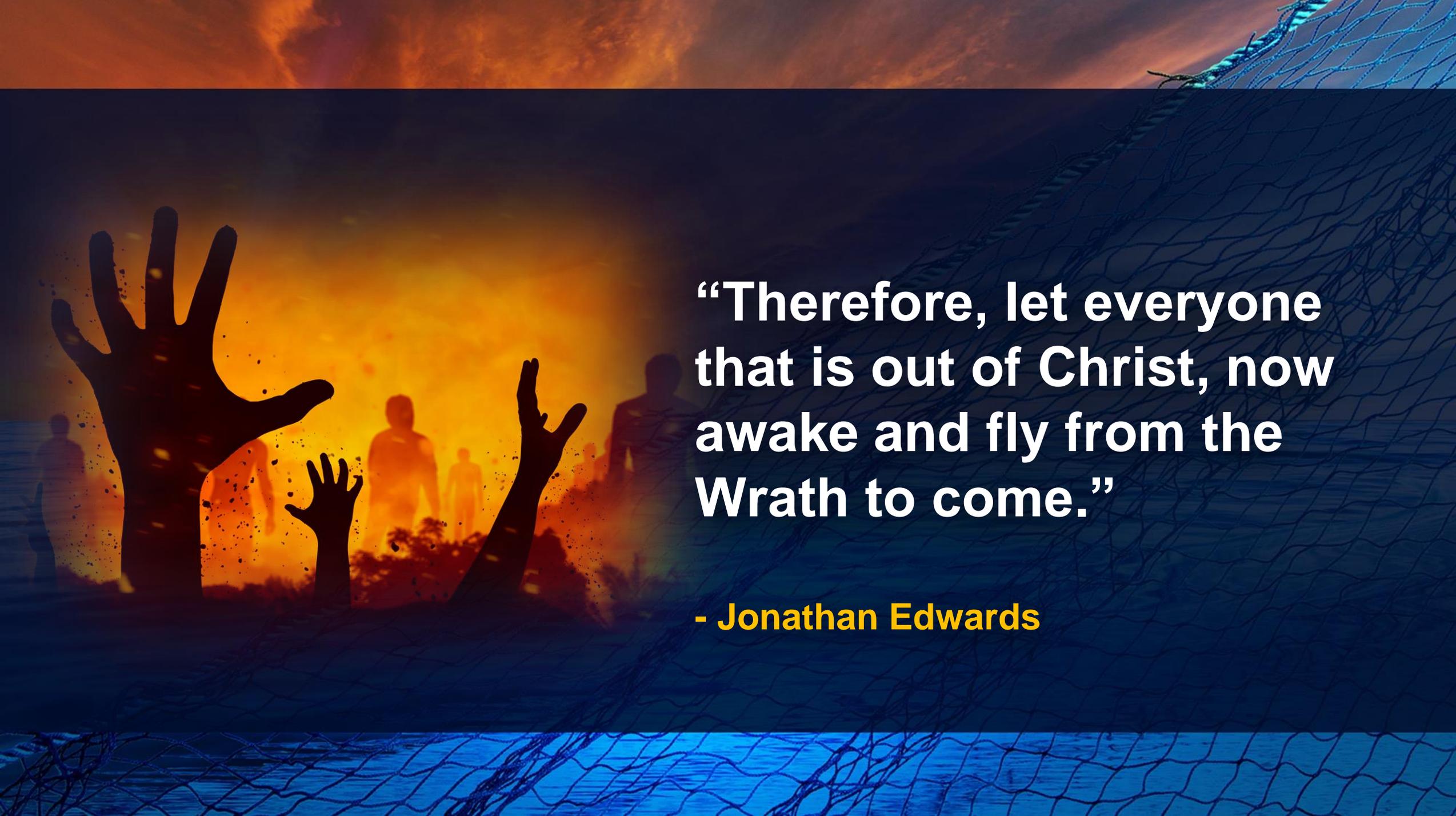
**“The God that holds you
over the Pit of Hell, much
as one holds a Spider, or
some loathsome Insect,
over the Fire, abhors you,
and is dreadfully provoked;
his Wrath towards you
burns like Fire ...”**

- Jonathan Edwards



**“He looks upon you as
worthy of nothing else, but
to be cast into the Fire.”**

- Jonathan Edwards



**“Therefore, let everyone
that is out of Christ, now
awake and fly from the
Wrath to come.”**

- Jonathan Edwards

HOLY BIBLE

Daniel Hudgens



Romans 2:4



A fishing net is draped over the side of a boat, extending from the top right towards the bottom left. The background is a sunset sky with orange and red clouds. The water is dark blue, and the net is illuminated with a blue light. The word "Christ" is written in large white letters across the center of the image.

Christ

A fishing net is draped over the side of a boat, extending from the top right towards the bottom left. The background is a sunset sky with orange and red clouds. The net is illuminated with a blue light, creating a strong contrast with the dark blue background.

Christ's Method Alone



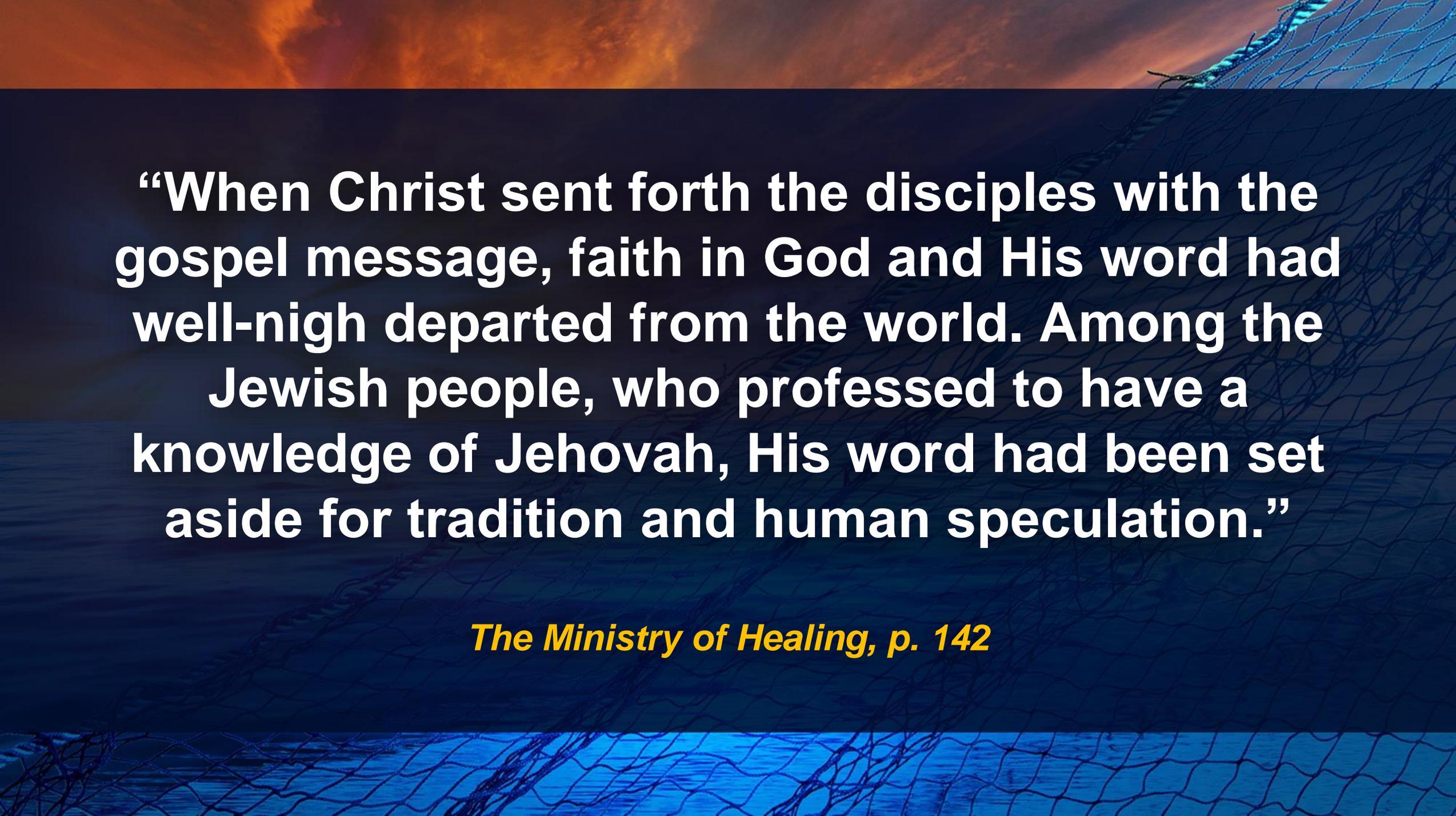
“The giving of the gospel to the world is the work that God has committed to those who bear His name. For earth's sin and misery the gospel is the only antidote. ...”

The Ministry of Healing, p. 141



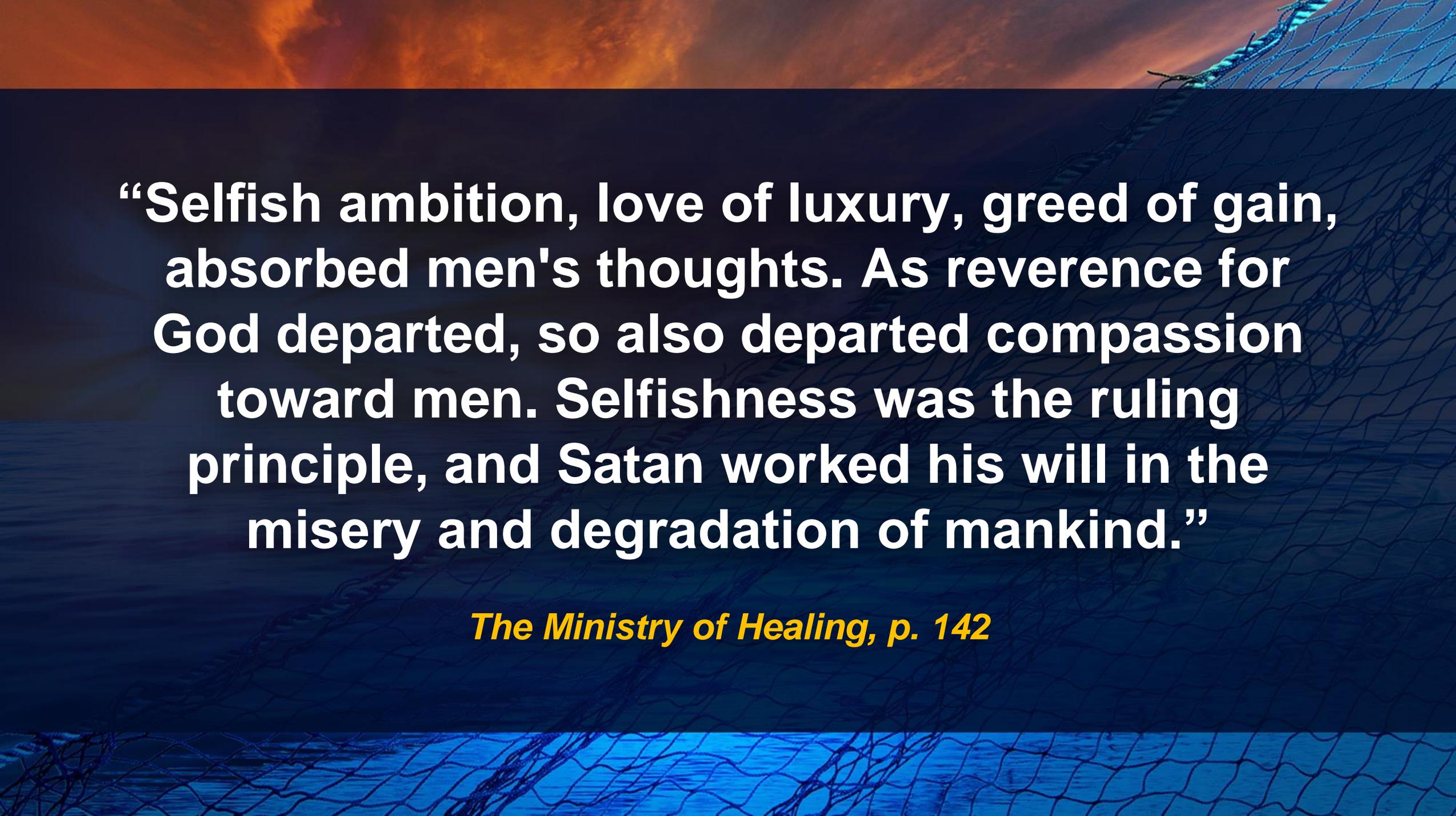
“To make known to all mankind the message of the grace of God is the first work of those who know its healing power.”

The Ministry of Healing, p. 141



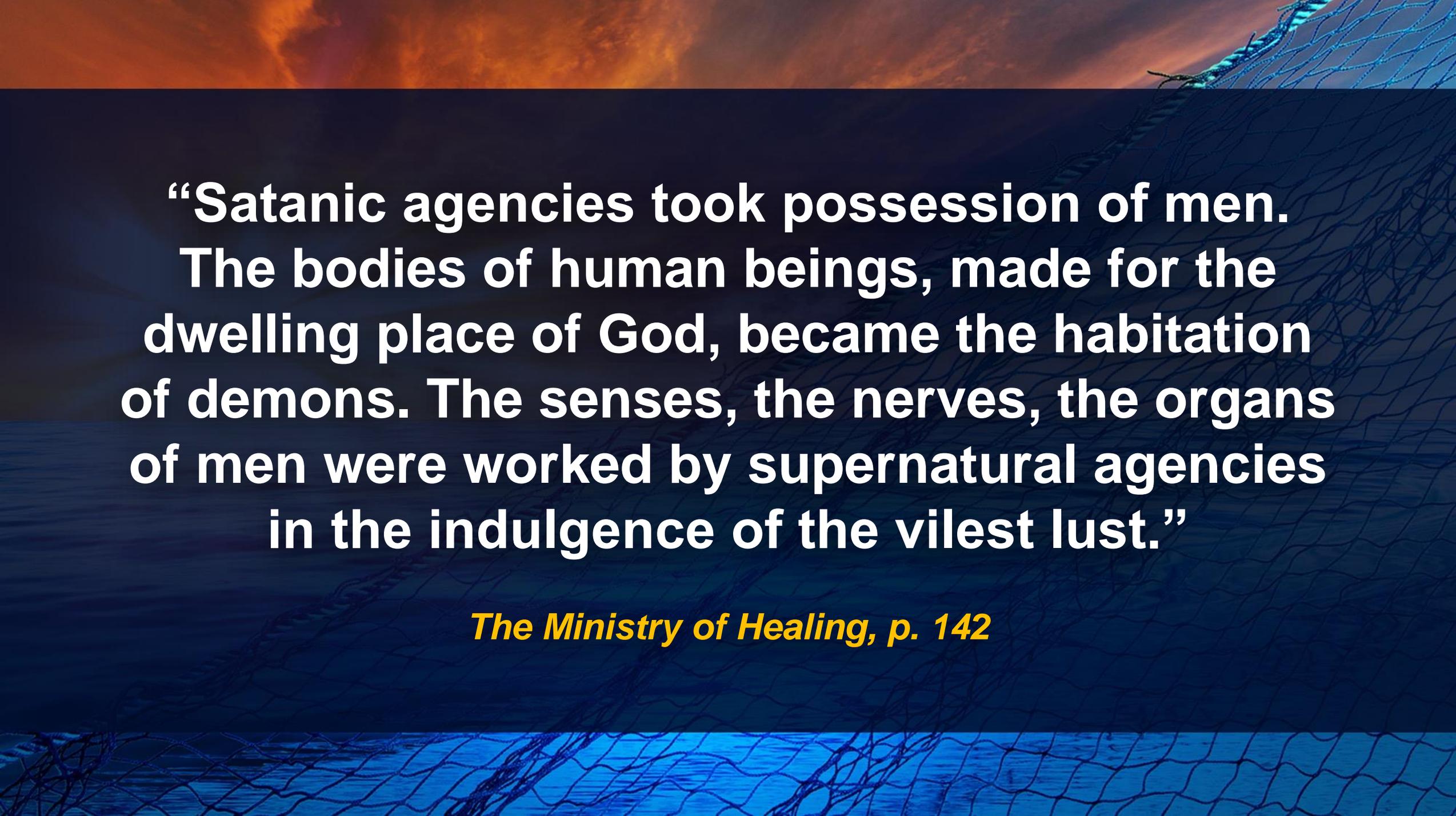
“When Christ sent forth the disciples with the gospel message, faith in God and His word had well-nigh departed from the world. Among the Jewish people, who professed to have a knowledge of Jehovah, His word had been set aside for tradition and human speculation.”

The Ministry of Healing, p. 142



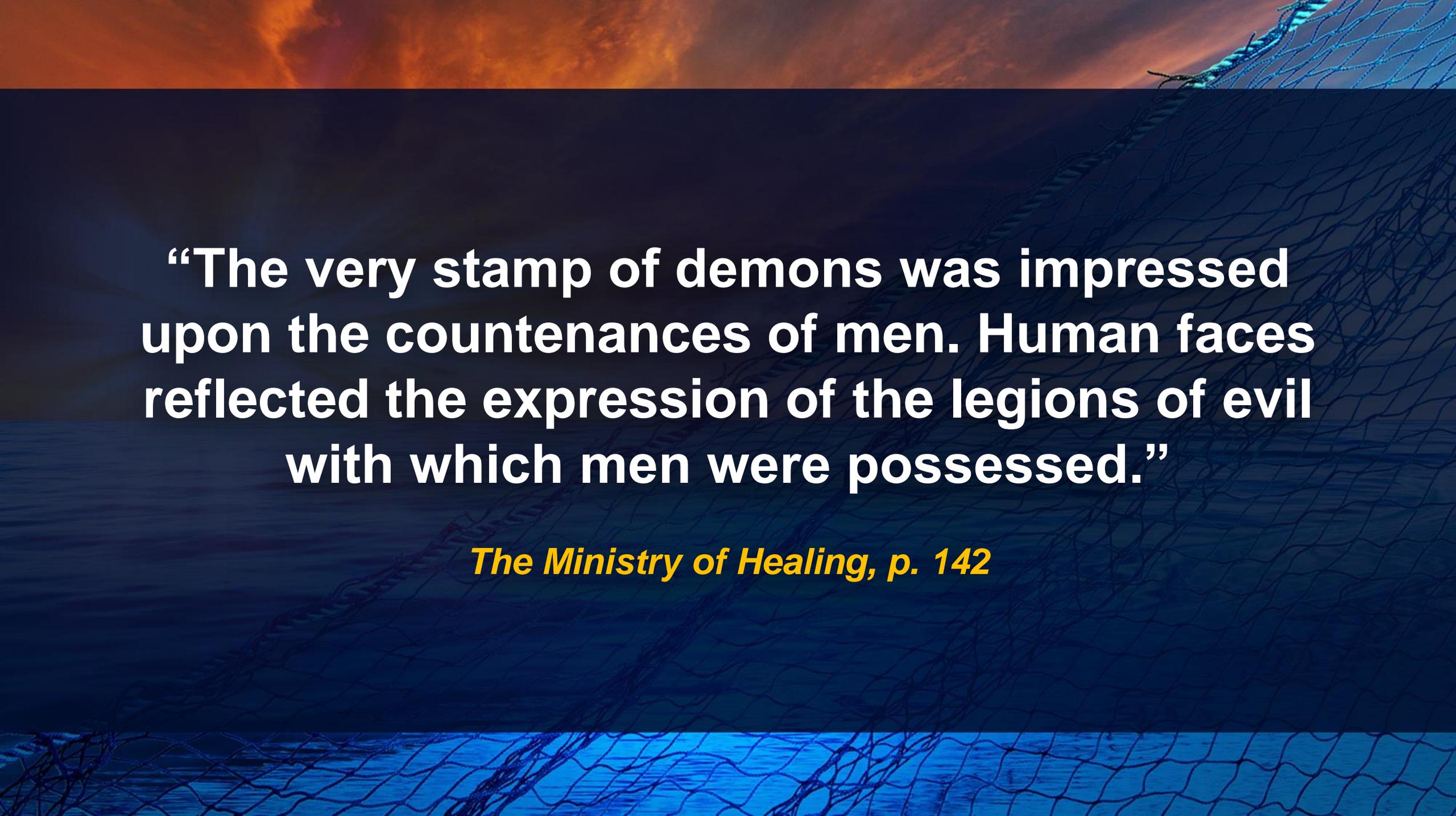
“Selfish ambition, love of luxury, greed of gain, absorbed men's thoughts. As reverence for God departed, so also departed compassion toward men. Selfishness was the ruling principle, and Satan worked his will in the misery and degradation of mankind.”

The Ministry of Healing, p. 142



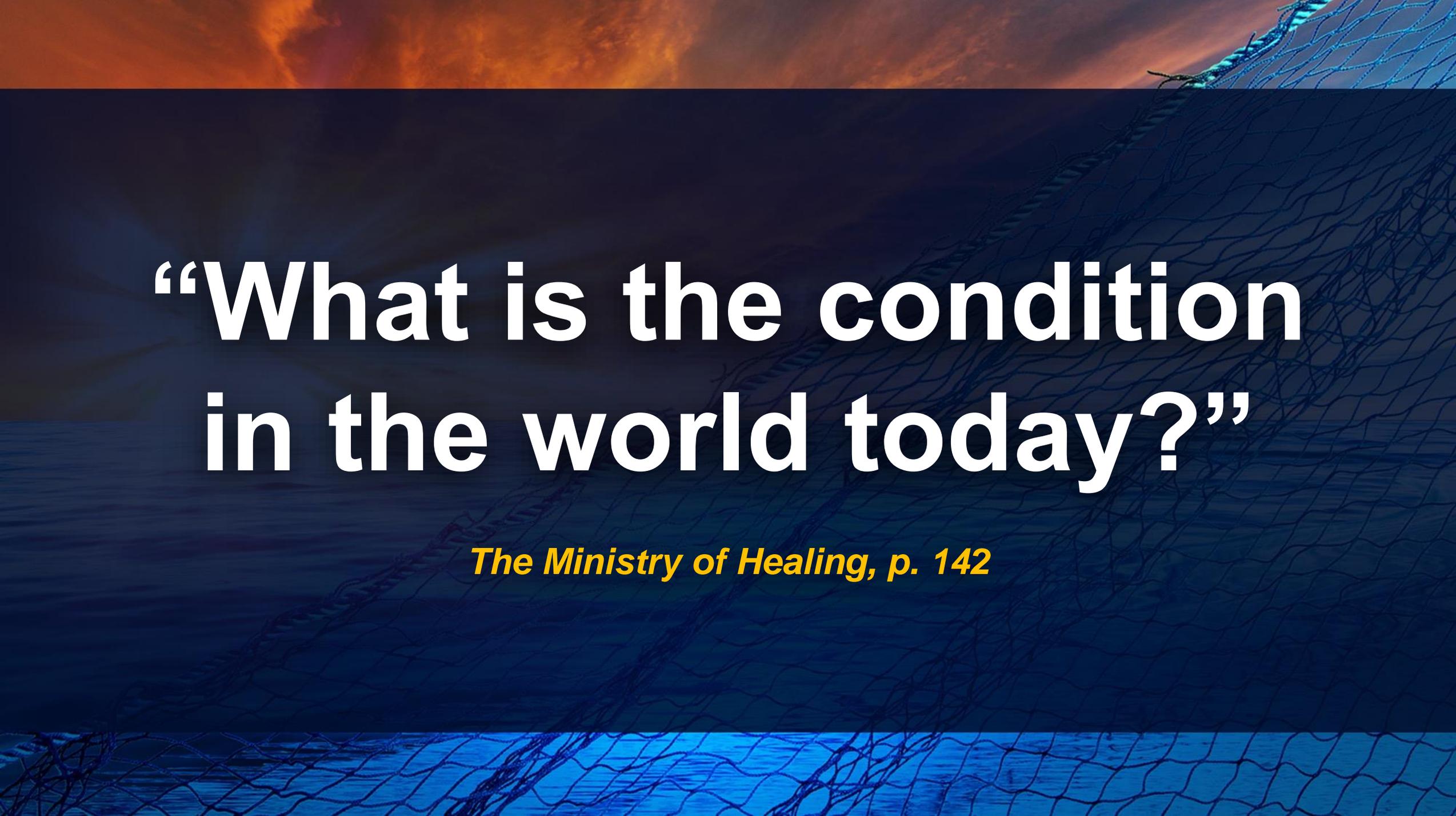
“Satanic agencies took possession of men. The bodies of human beings, made for the dwelling place of God, became the habitation of demons. The senses, the nerves, the organs of men were worked by supernatural agencies in the indulgence of the vilest lust.”

The Ministry of Healing, p. 142



“The very stamp of demons was impressed upon the countenances of men. Human faces reflected the expression of the legions of evil with which men were possessed.”

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**“What is the condition
in the world today?”**

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**The world needs today what it needed
nineteen hundred years ago ...**



Christ's method alone will give true success in reaching the people. The Savior mingled with men as one who desired their good. He showed His sympathy for them, ministered to their needs, and won their confidence. Then He bade them, 'Follow Me'

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**mingled
with people**



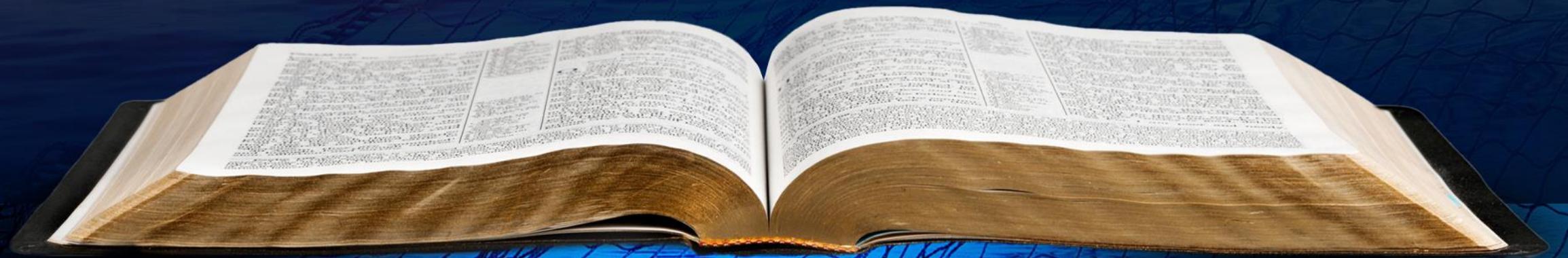


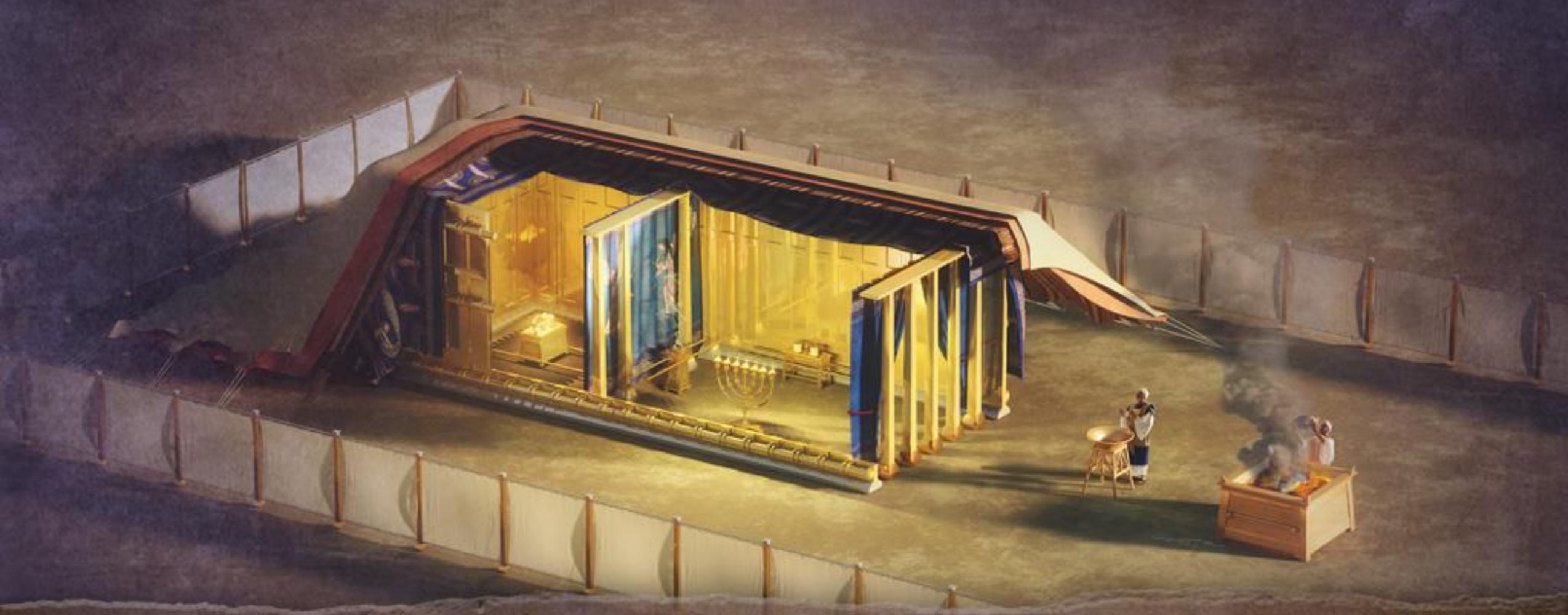


Matthew 1:22-23



John 1:14





wholistic incarnational ministry

SATAN



CHRIST





“For I desire mercy and not sacrifice, And the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings.”

Hosea 6:6



“Now it happened, as Jesus sat at the table in the house, that behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and sat down with Him and His disciples.” *Matthew 9:10*



“And when the Pharisees saw it, they said to His disciples, “Why does your Teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?”

Matthew 9:11



“When Jesus heard that, He said to them, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick.”

Matthew 9:12



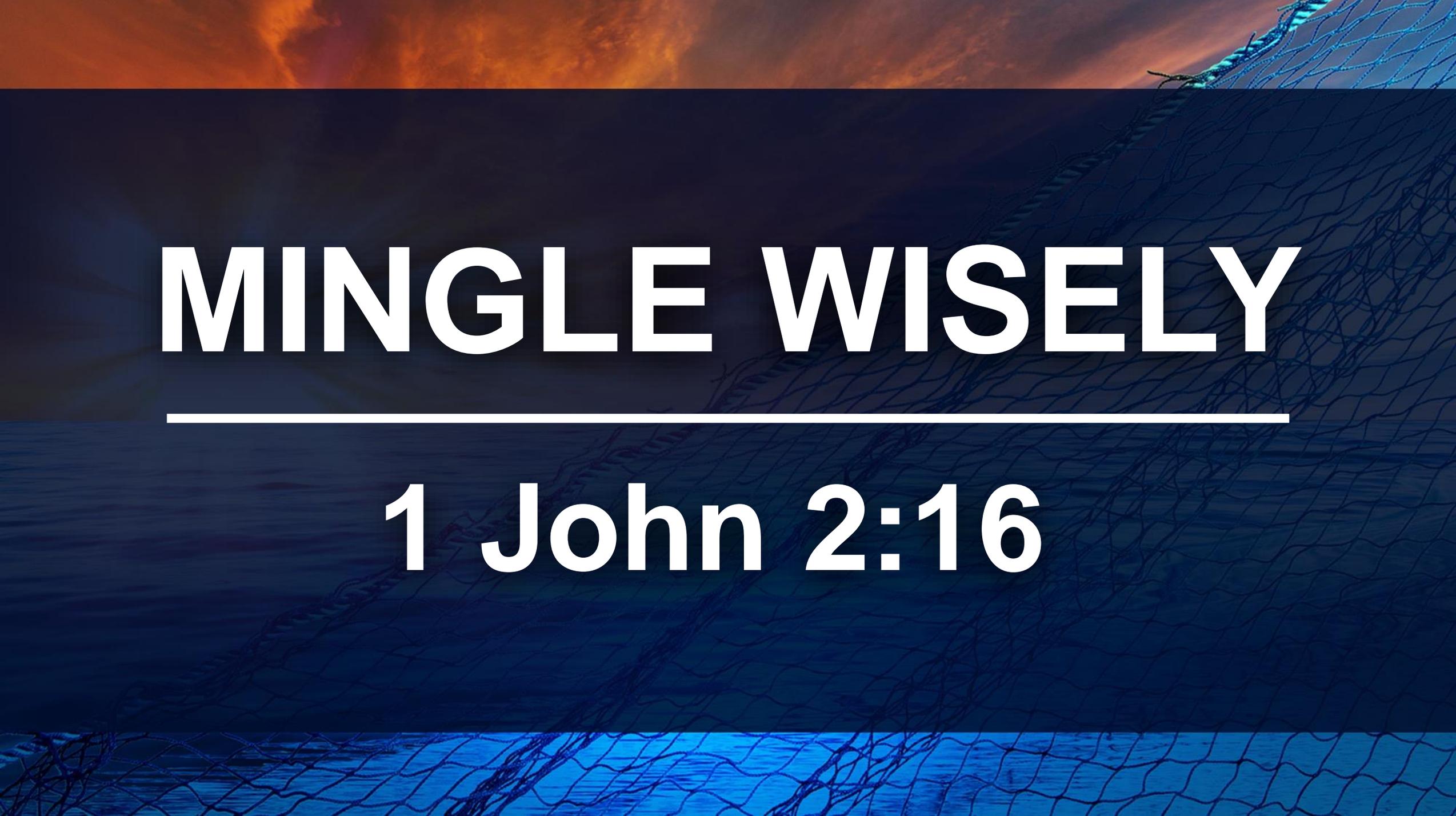
“But go and learn what this means: 'I DESIRE MERCY AND NOT SACRIFICE.' For I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance.” *Matthew 9:13*



Friends



Not SDA?



MINGLE WISELY

1 John 2:16

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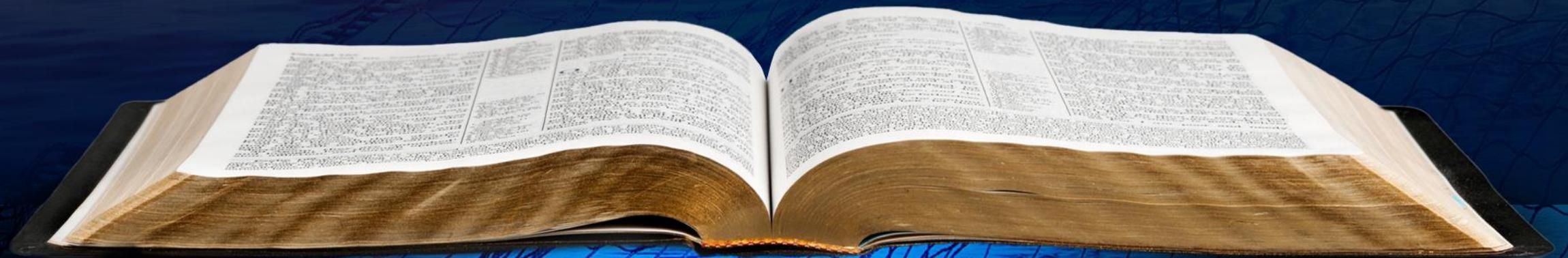
**You ARE
evangelism!**



**desired
their good**



“Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.” *Hebrews 12:2*





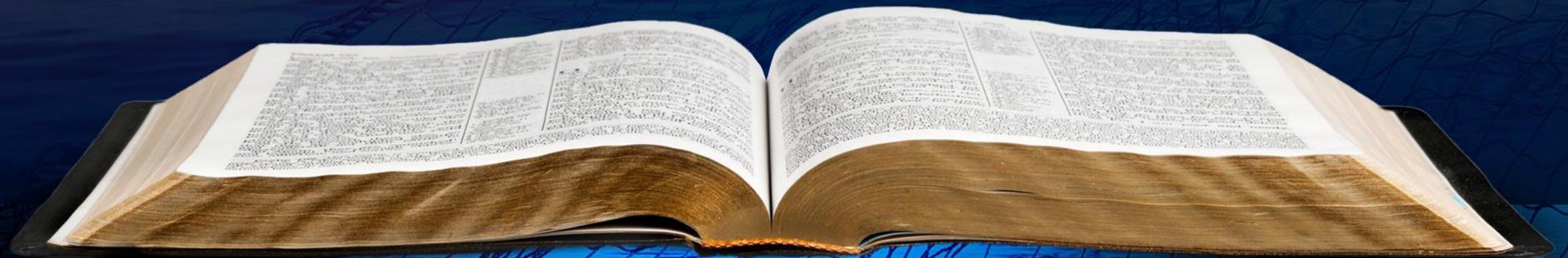
**showed
sympathy
for their
problems**



“Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.” *Matthew 9:35*



“But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd.” *Matthew 9:36*



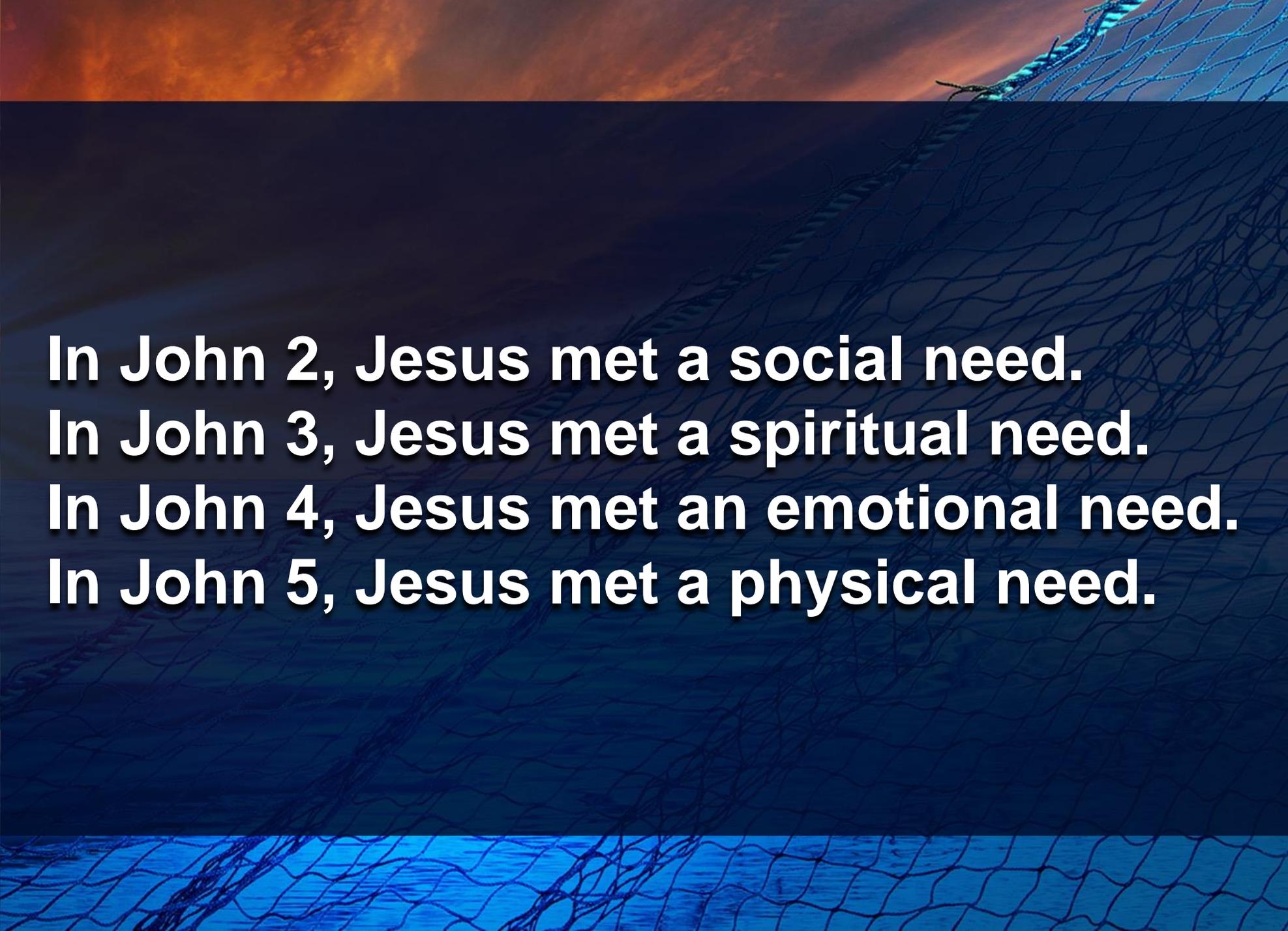


**ministered
to their
needs**





**In John 2, Jesus met a social need.
In John 3, Jesus met a spiritual need.
In John 4, Jesus met an emotional need.
In John 5, Jesus met a physical need.**



Bread of Life



John 6

Water of Life



John 4

Your Friend



John 15

The Desire of Nations



Haggai 2:7



**won their
confidence**



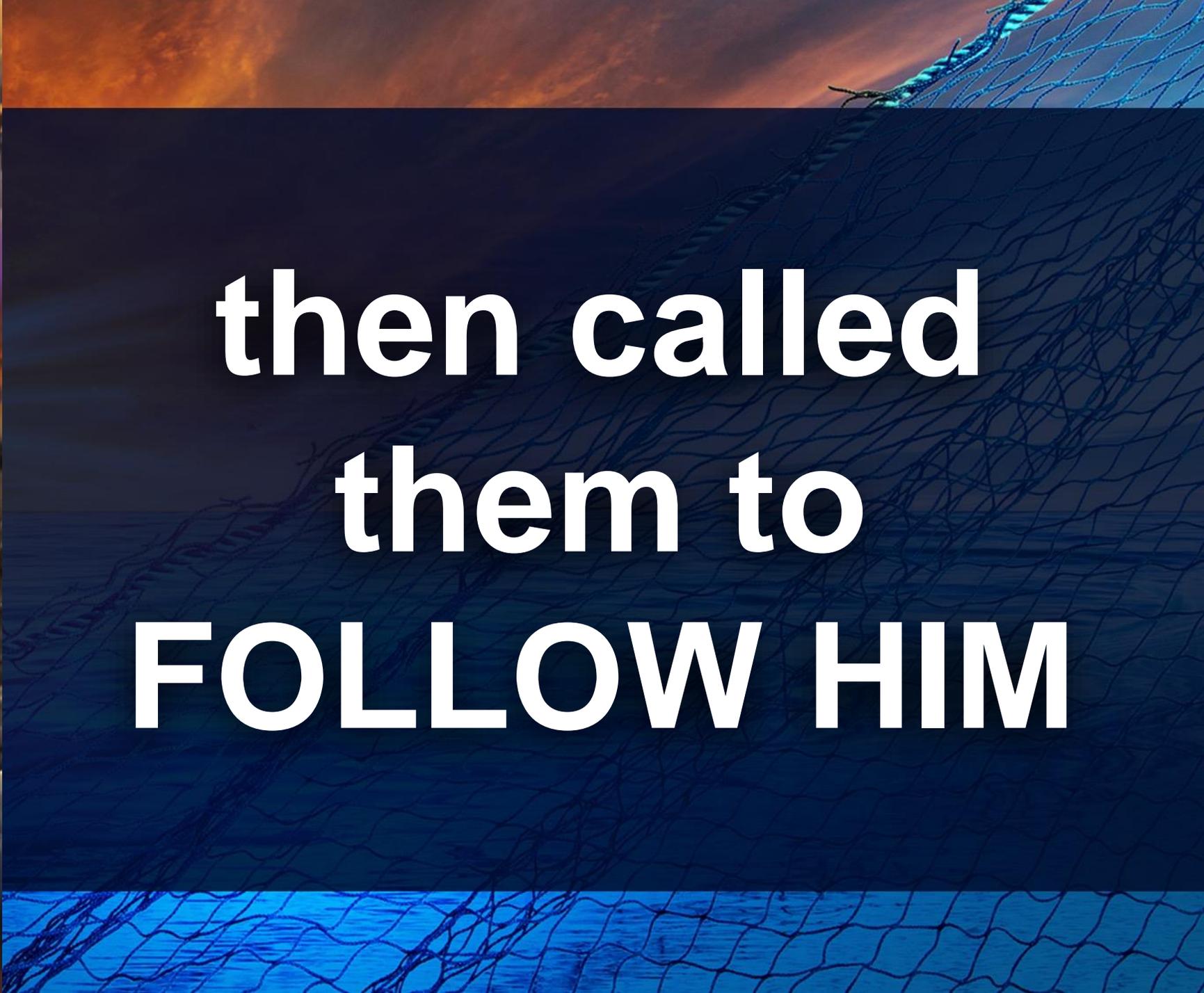
Luke 23:33,34

Luke 23:39-42





then called
them to
FOLLOW HIM



**“Come to Me, all you who
labor and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest.”**

Matthew 11:28





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1 John 3:8 — Origin of sin & evil.

Romans 3:23 — All have sinned.

James 2:10 — Offend in one point, guilty of all.

Romans 6:23 — Wages of sin is death.

Isaiah 59:2 — Sin separates us from God.

Romans 5:8 — While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

John 14:6 — Jesus is the Way, the Truth, the Life.

Ephesians 2:8, 9 — By grace we are saved through faith.

1 John 1:9 — If we confess, He will forgive.

Revelation 3:20 — Will you open your heart to God today?

2 Corinthians 5:17 — We will experience that new life.