



FIXING OUR EYES ON JESUS!

In the Old & New Testament
*A Study in the
book of Hebrews*



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THE GREAT RACE
JESUS' JOY . . OUR HEART



AT THE INTERSECTION
OF SIN AND FORGIVENESS
IS THE CROSS OF CHRIST.

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He is Risen Indeed!



Looking only at Jesus

- His humbling Incarnational life
- Selfless, sacrificial, crucifixion
- Predicted, powerful & promising
Resurrection!

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The background is a dark, expressive painting. It features a large, dark cross on a hill, with a lone figure standing in the foreground, looking up at the cross. The painting is done in a style with visible brushstrokes and a somber, contemplative mood.

ONE SOLITARY LIFE

He was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant. He grew up in another village, where he worked in a carpenter shop until he was 30. Then, for three years, he was an itinerant preacher.

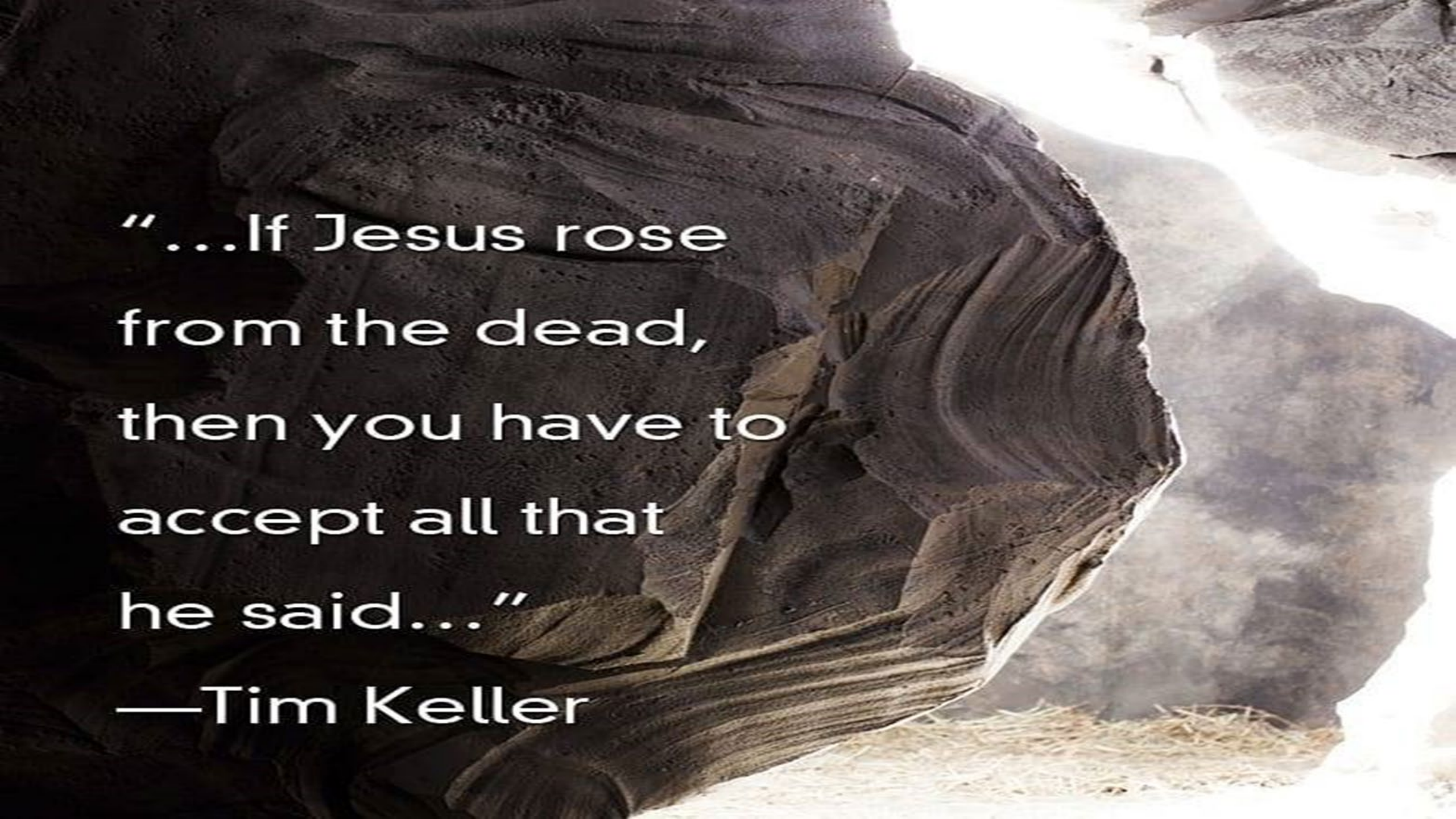
He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never had a family or owned a home. He didn't go to college. He never lived in a big city. He never traveled 200 miles from the place where he was born. He did none of the things that usually accompany greatness. He had no credentials but himself.

He was only 33 when the tide of public opinion turned against him. His friends ran away. One of them denied him. He was turned over to his enemies and went

through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. While he was dying, his executioners gambled for his garments, the only property he had on earth. When he was dead, he was laid in a borrowed grave, through the pity of a friend.

Twenty centuries have come and gone, and today he is the central figure of the human race. I am well within the mark when I say that all the armies that ever marched, all the navies that ever sailed, all the parliaments that ever sat, all the kings that ever reigned--put together--have not affected the life of man on this earth as much as that one, solitary life.*

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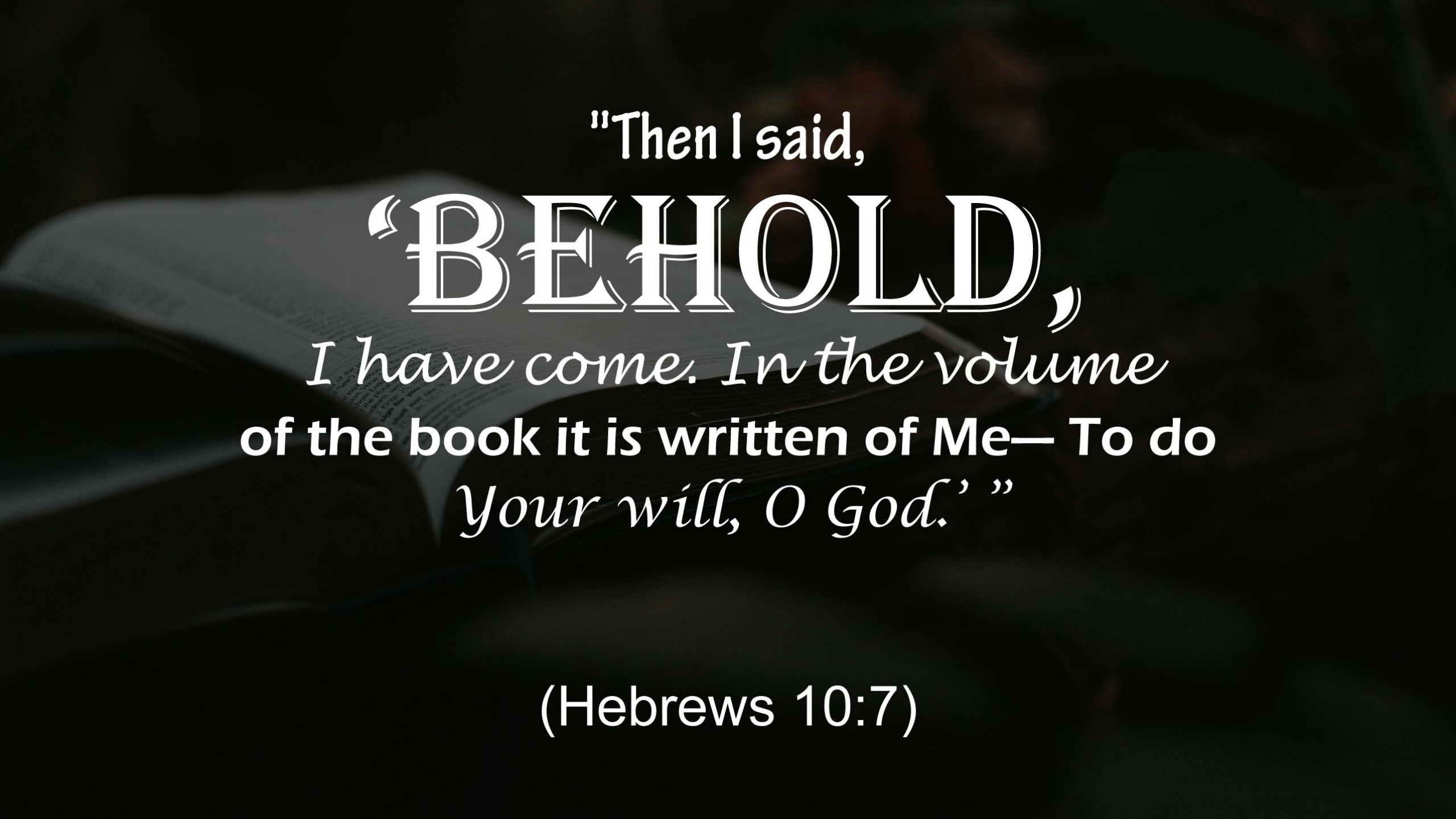
"...If Jesus rose
from the dead,
then you have to
accept all that
he said..."

—Tim Keller

For the joy set before Him

- Weeping 4 night, Joy in the morning
- Joy surpasses thrills and giggles
- What Joy would compel a Cross?
- It is scandalous! It is twofold.

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An open book is shown in a dark, moody setting. The pages are slightly aged and the text on them is faint. Overlaid on the book is a quote in white text. The quote is: "Then I said, 'BEHOLD, I have come. In the volume of the book it is written of Me— To do Your will, O God.' "

(Hebrews 10:7)

THE GOSPEL IS THE ONLY STORY



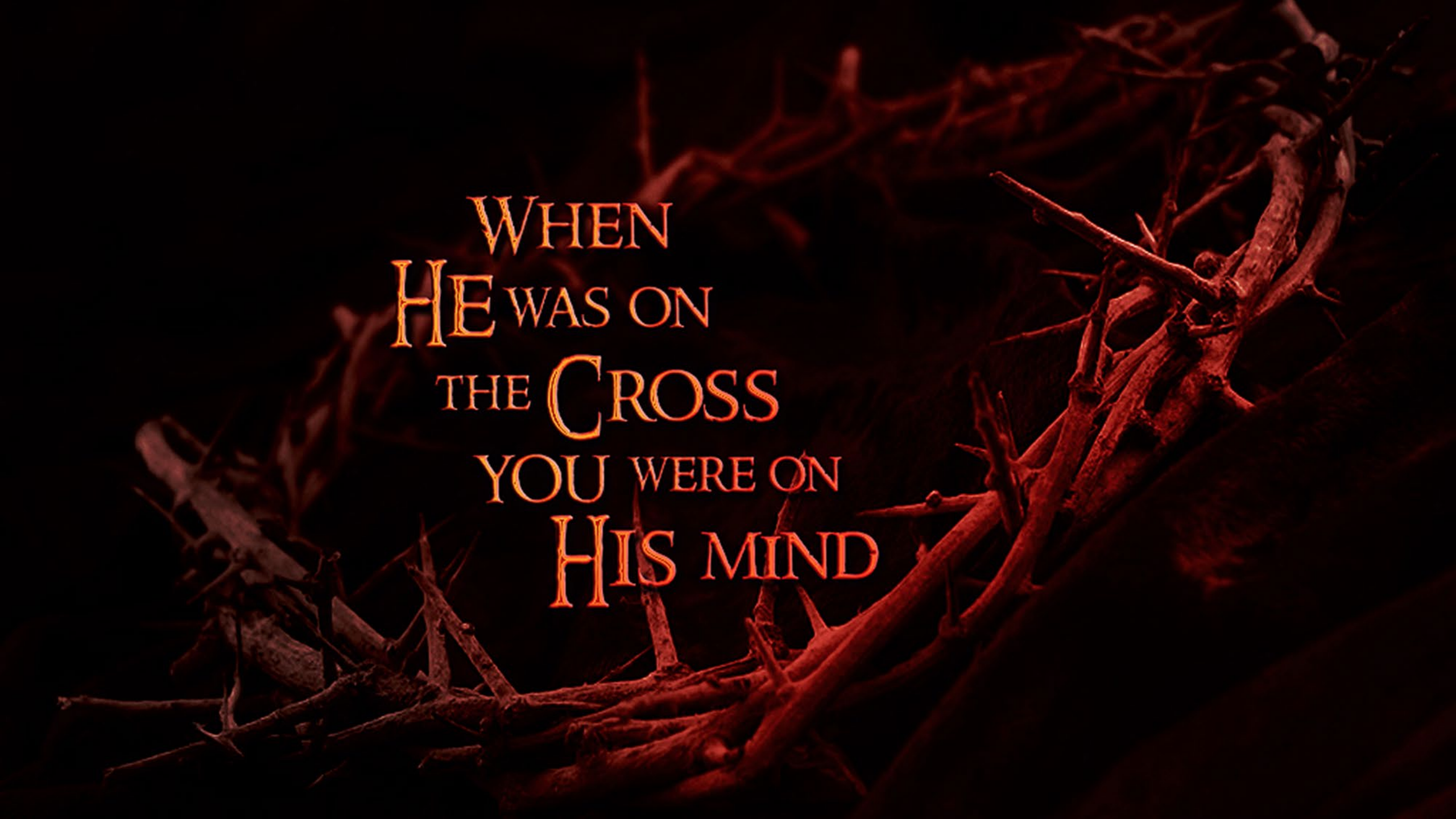
WHERE THE HERO DIES FOR THE VILLAIN

BUT GOD COMMENDETH HIS LOVE TOWARD US, IN THAT, WHILE WE
WERE YET SINNERS, CHRIST DIED FOR US. ~ROMANS 5:8

Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied
by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant
make many to be accounted righteous
and he shall bear their iniquities



ISAIAH 53:11

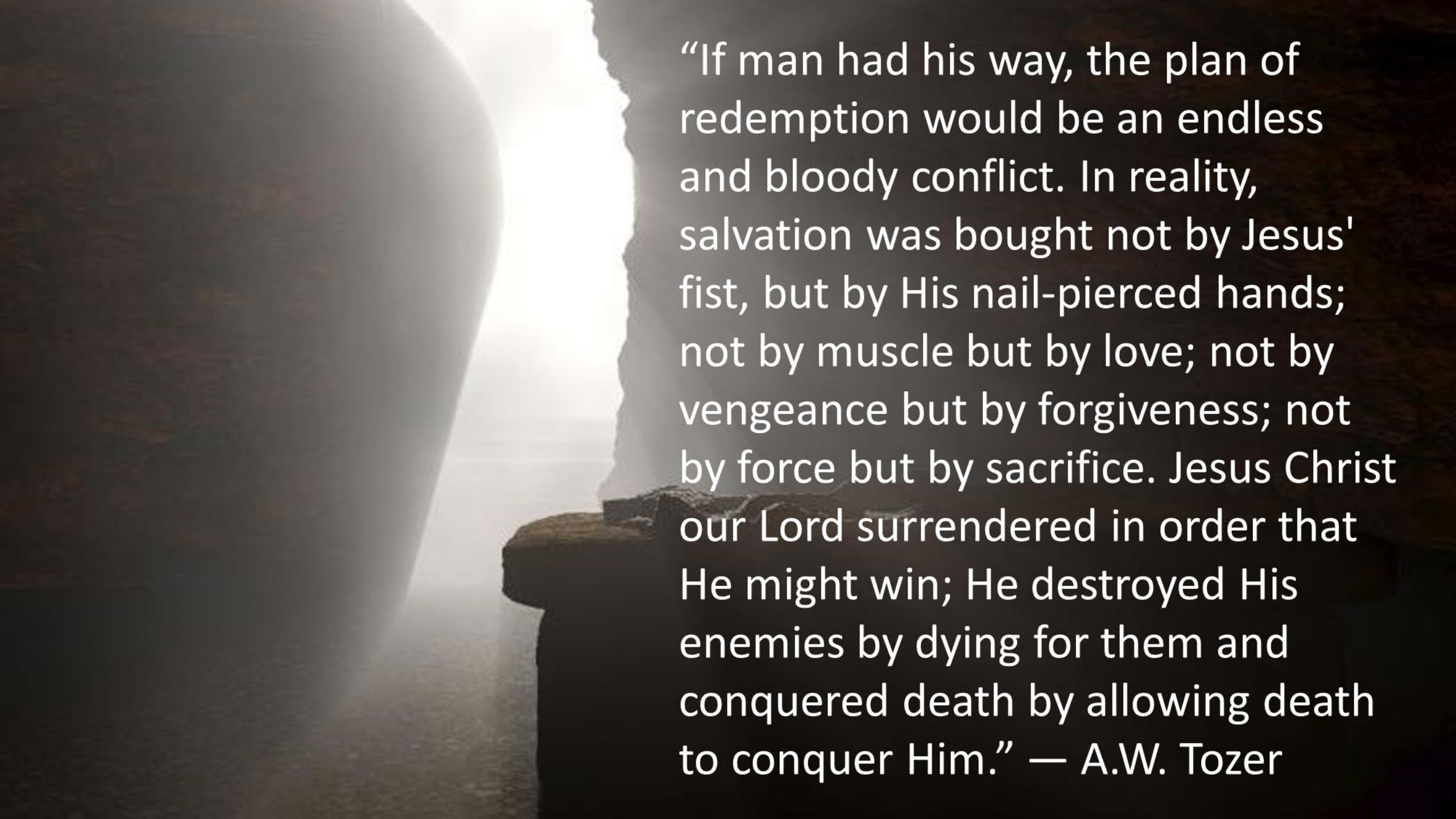


WHEN
HE WAS ON
THE CROSS
YOU WERE ON
HIS MIND

It is Finished

- Endured the cross,
- Despising the shame,
- Sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

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“If man had his way, the plan of redemption would be an endless and bloody conflict. In reality, salvation was bought not by Jesus' fist, but by His nail-pierced hands; not by muscle but by love; not by vengeance but by forgiveness; not by force but by sacrifice. Jesus Christ our Lord surrendered in order that He might win; He destroyed His enemies by dying for them and conquered death by allowing death to conquer Him.” — A.W. Tozer

The Tomb is empty!

- My heart is full!
- Jn 15:11 – so that My joy may be in you, and [that] your joy may be made full.
16:11, 20, 22, 24, 17:13

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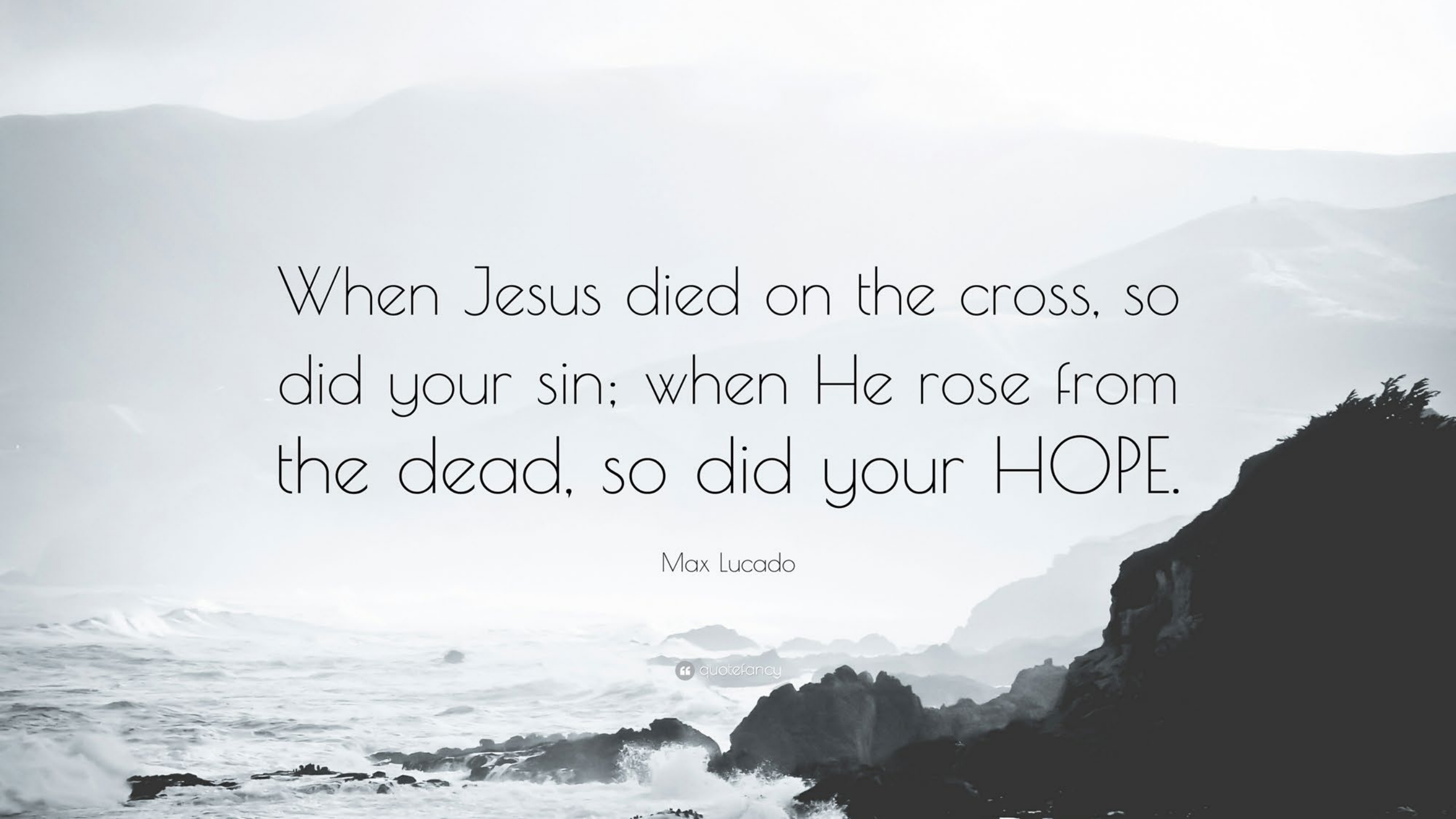


*He didn't just die on the
cross...he died for you*

While I was on the cross
you were on my mind.

@PraiseHimbro

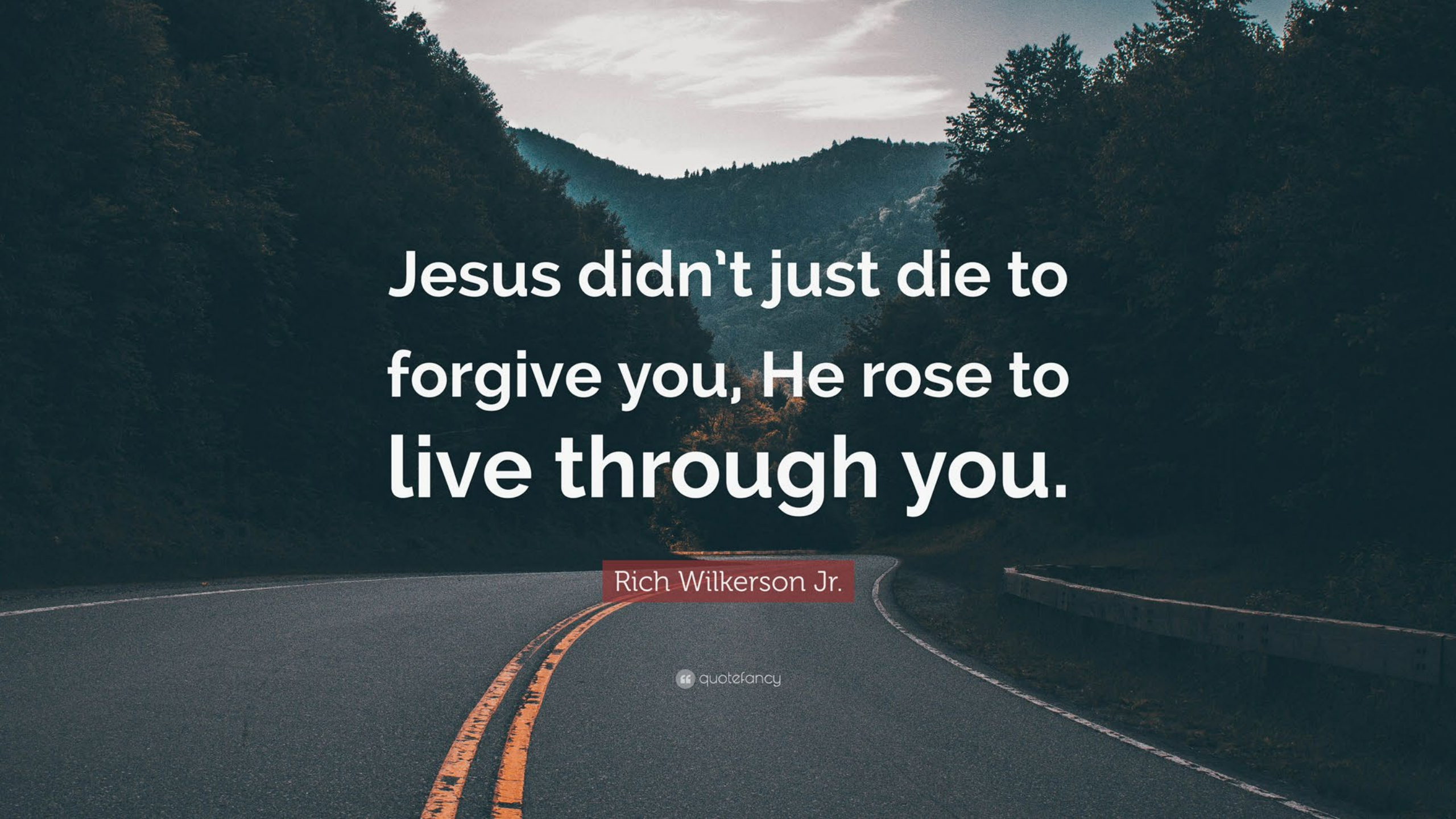




When Jesus died on the cross, so
did your sin; when He rose from
the dead, so did your HOPE.

Max Lucado

quote fancy



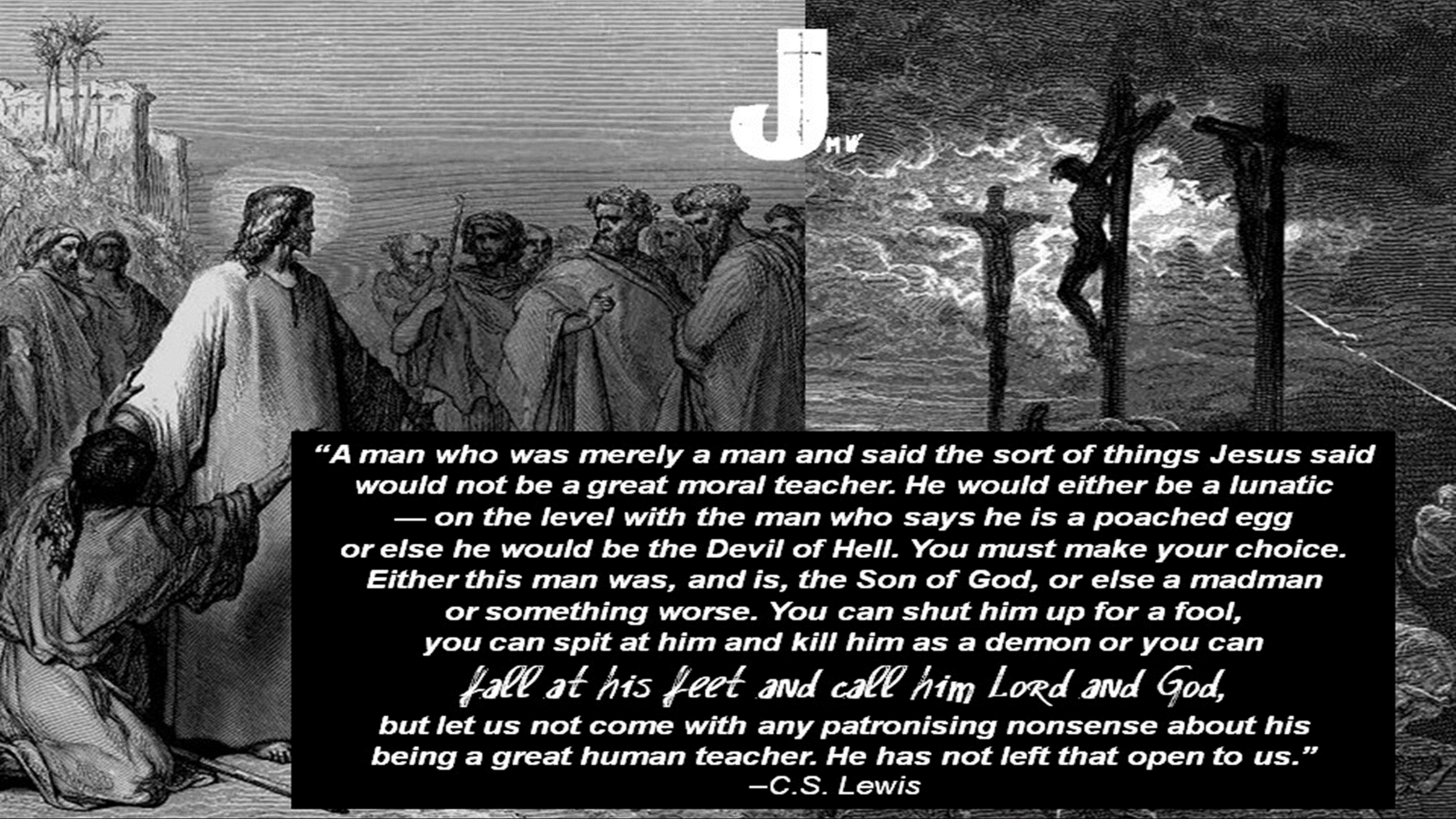
Jesus didn't just die to
forgive you, He rose to
live through you.

Rich Wilkerson Jr.

THE GOSPEL IS NOT
GOOD ADVICE; IT'S
A SUMMONS TO
FOLLOW A KING.

- TIM KELLER





“A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic — on the level with the man who says he is a poached egg or else he would be the Devil of Hell. You must make your choice. Either this man was, and is, the Son of God, or else a madman or something worse. You can shut him up for a fool, you can spit at him and kill him as a demon or you can fall at his feet and call him Lord and God, but let us not come with any patronising nonsense about his being a great human teacher. He has not left that open to us.”
—C.S. Lewis

Christ died. He left a will in which He gave His soul to His Father, His body to Joseph of Arimathea, His clothes to the soldiers, and His mother to John. But to His disciples, who had left all to follow Him, He left not silver or gold, but something far better-His PEACE!

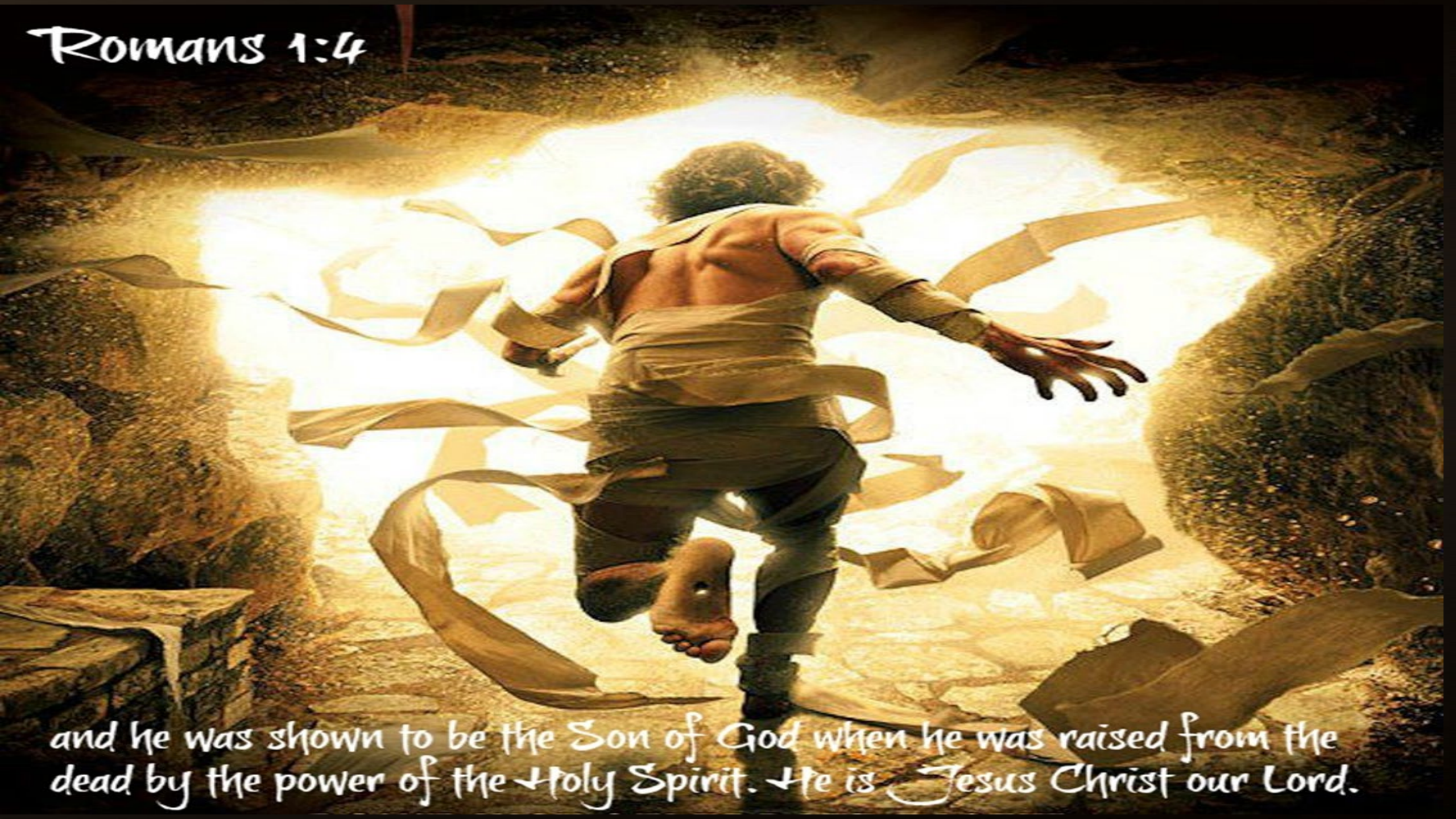
Matthew Henry

Never lose heart

- We are Loved! The “BeLOVED”
- We are grateful! Forgiven!
- We love others, love never fails!

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Romans 1:4

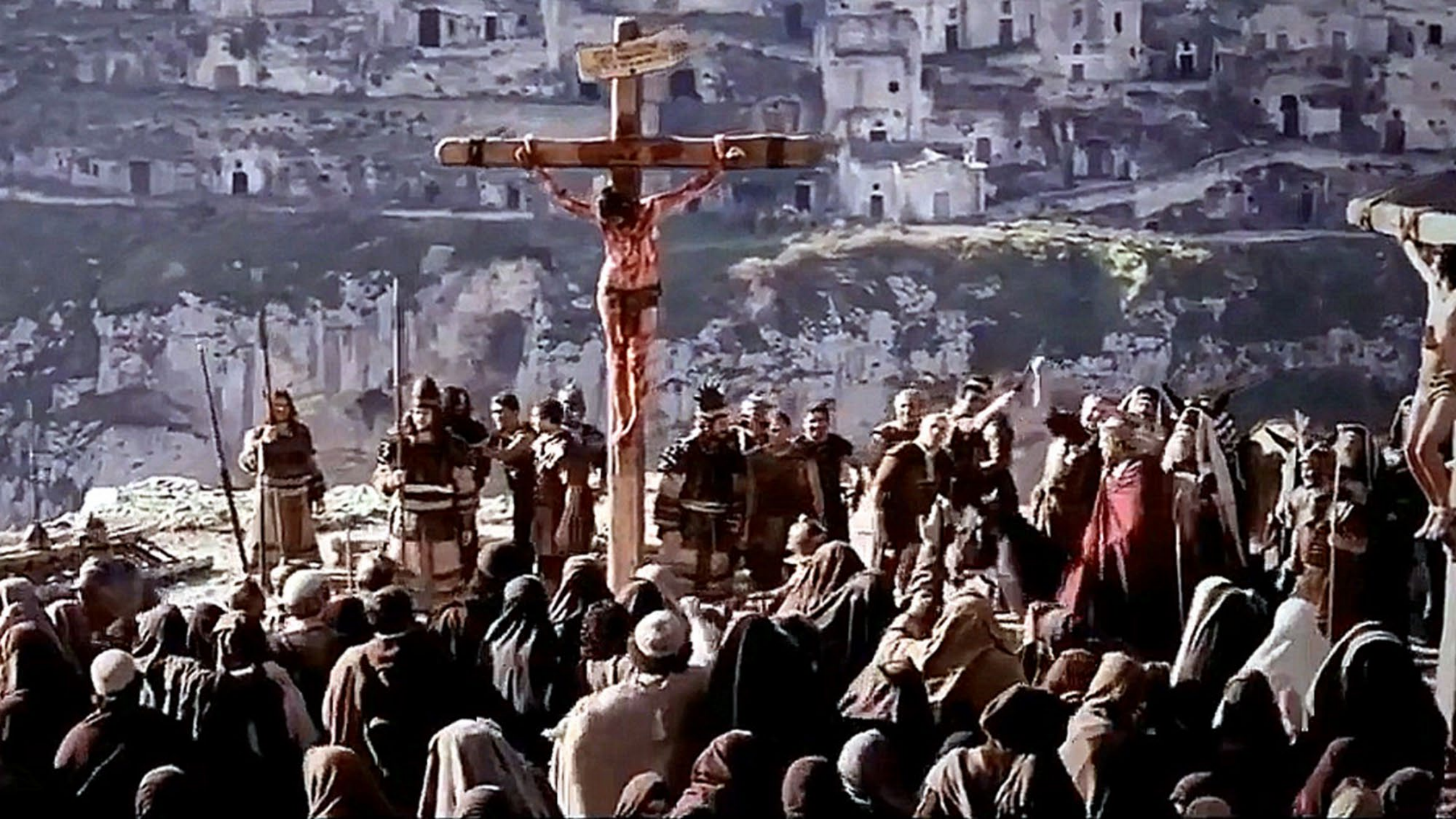


and he was shown to be the Son of God when he was raised from the dead by the power of the Holy Spirit. He is Jesus Christ our Lord.



Look unto Jesus
the author and finisher
of our faith; who for
the joy that was set
before him endured
the cross.

Hebrews 12:2



Let us fix our
eyes on
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the
author and
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Hebrews 12:2









Earth's saddest day and
gladdest day were just...

three days apart.



- Susan Coolidge

He died for you.

Romans 5:8

