



***FIXING OUR
EYES ON
JESUS!***

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



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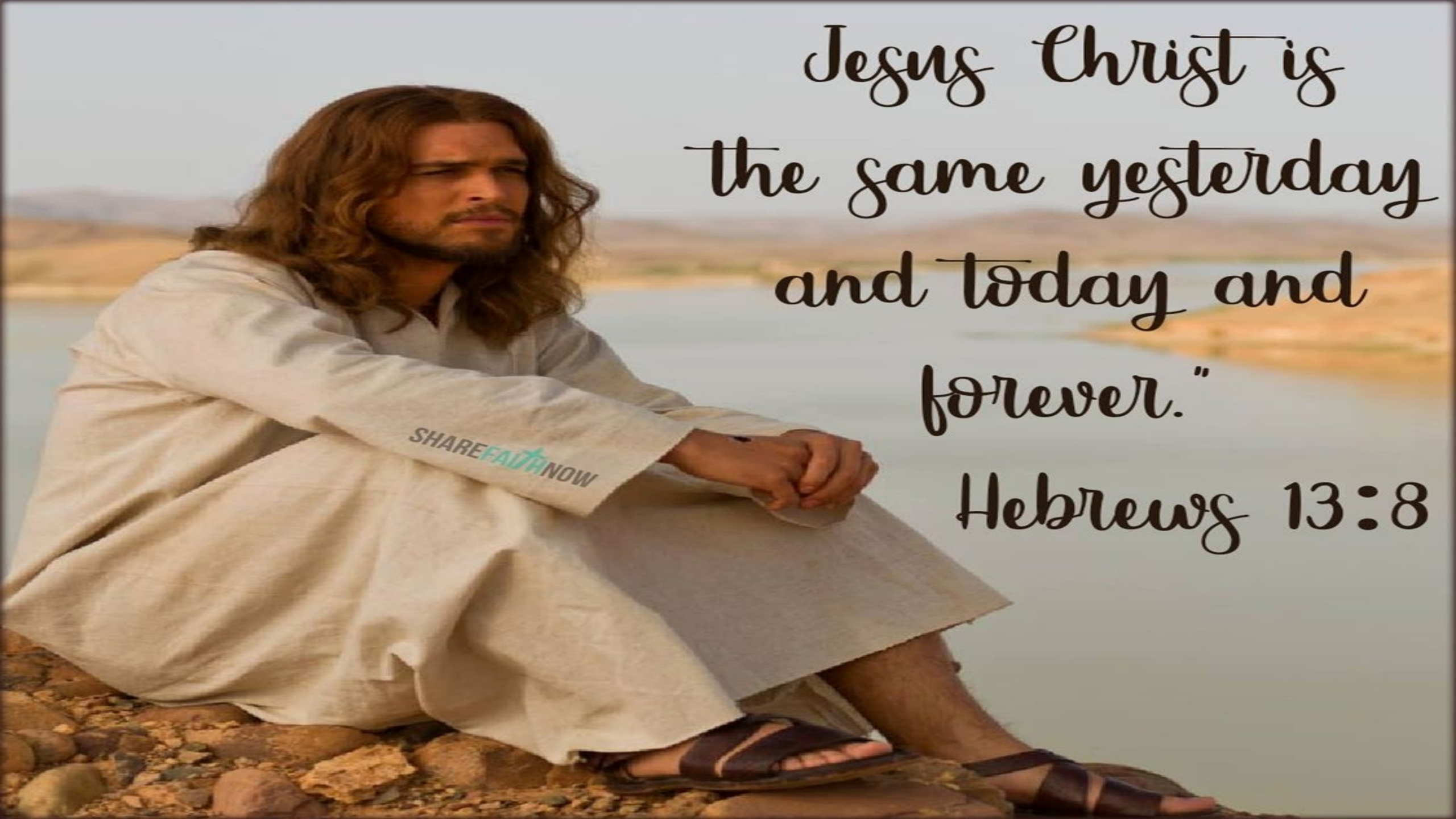
*JESUS CHRIST IS THE SAME
YESTERDAY, TODAY AND
FOREVER.*

Things
Change

People
Change

Plans
Change

Seasons in our life will inevitably change, but God,
the Author of every good and perfect gift...
He will never change.



Jesus Christ is
the same yesterday
and today and
forever."

Hebrews 13:8

Jesus Christ is the same

- **What does that mean for us?**
- **What does it not mean?**
- **Understand the challenges of the New covenant**

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That by two immutable things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:

Hebrews 6:18



Immutable- a characteristic of God-
that He does not change in His basic nature-
God does not "mutate" from being one kind
of God to another, is not limited by time and space,
and "the same yesterday, today, and forever".
Heb. 13:8





MATTHEW 7:24-27

THEREFORE
EVERYONE WHO
HEARS THESE WORDS
OF MINE AND PUTS
THEM INTO PRACTICE
IS LIKE A WISE MAN
WHO BUILT HIS
HOUSE ON THE ROCK.
THE RAIN CAME
DOWN,
THE STREAMS ROSE,
AND THE WINDS
BLEW AND BEAT
AGAINST THAT HOUSE;
YET IT DID NOT FALL,
BECAUSE IT HAD
ITS FOUNDATION
ON THE ROCK.

Bacon wrapped Scallops

- Not by “foods” (Kosher laws)
- Altar, tabernacle, animals’ blood, high priest, a lasting city
- 3 types of Old Testament laws, 613!

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There are 613 Old Testament Laws

Moral Laws – “Do not murder...”

Civil Laws

“If you're neighbor's donkey falls in a pit...”

Ceremonial Laws

“When you're child is 8 days old, you must it must be circumcised...”

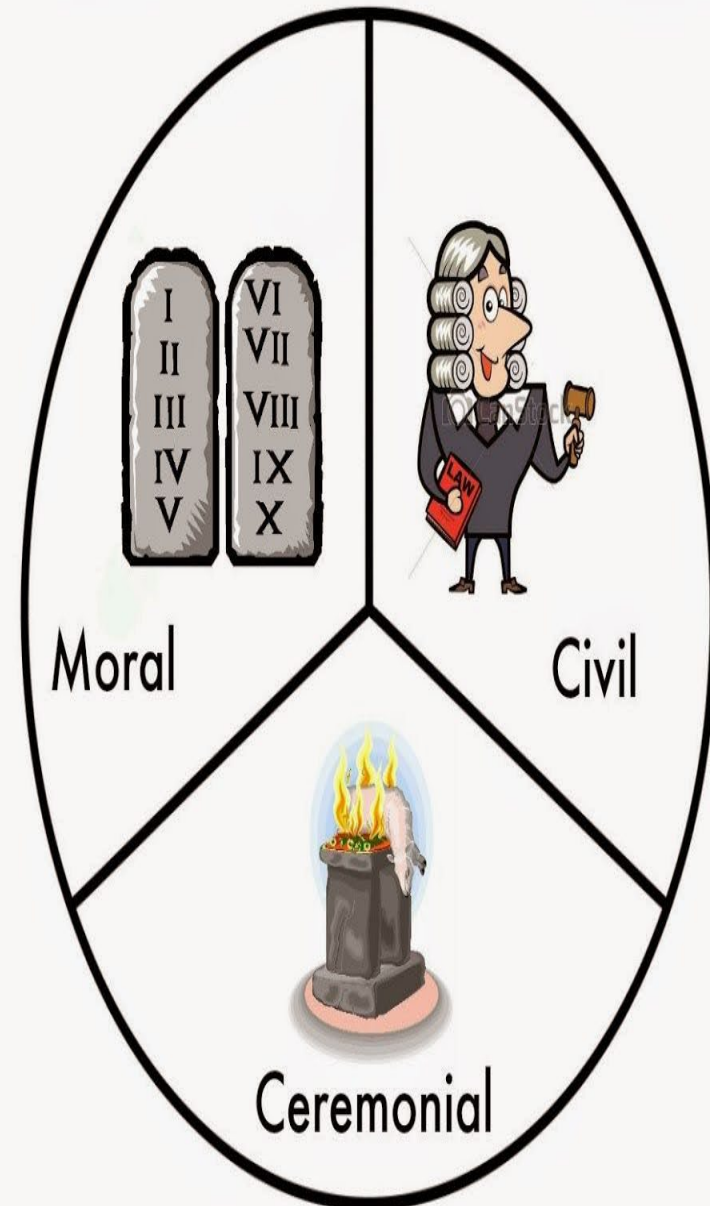
3 TYPES OF OLD TESTAMENT LAWS

#1 Ethical Law or Moral Law

#2 Civil Law or Case Law
(Specific to Ancient Israel)

#3 Ritual Law or Ceremonial
Law Governing the Worship
of Ancient Israel

The Three Divisions of the Law



Examples of Civil Laws

- Laws about leprosy in buildings (Lev. 14:33-53)
- Laws about moving property boundaries (Deut. 19:14)
- Laws about where to go for judgments, including the law for jealous husbands (Num. 5:11-31)
- Laws about inheritance (Deut. 21:17)
- Cities of refuge (Num. 35)
- Dealing with oxen that gore people (Ex. 21:28-36)

Examples of Ceremonial Laws

- The sacrificial system (Lev. 1-5)
- Laws regarding feasts and solemn assemblies (Lev. 23)
- Laws about priestly garments and ordination (Ex. 28-29)
- Circumcision (Lev. 12:3)

CEREMONIAL LAW

“It was symbolic for the present time in which both gifts and sacrifices are offered which cannot make him who performed the service perfect in regard to the conscience—concerned only with foods and drinks, various washings, and fleshly ordinances imposed until the time of reformation.” (Hebrews 9:9-10)



The Ceremonial Law involves everything related to the Sanctuary and Israel’s religious festivals.

God instituted this Law to teach His plan of Salvation. All rites and ceremonies represented the ministry of Jesus Christ.

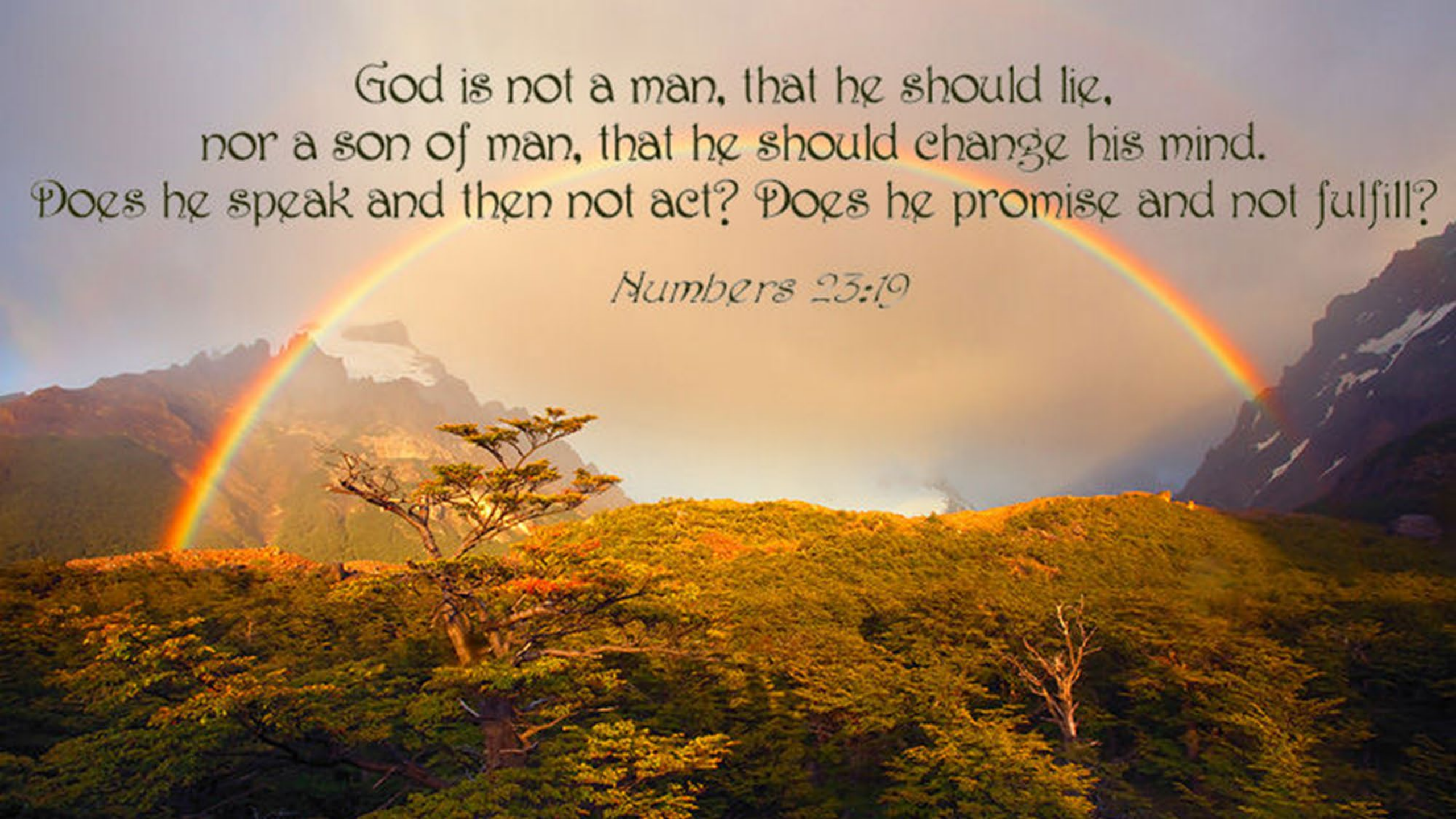
The Ceremonial Law was fulfilled in Christ, so those rules are not mandatory for the believer anymore.

Nevertheless, we can better understand Jesus’ redeeming work by studying that Law.

Who changed?

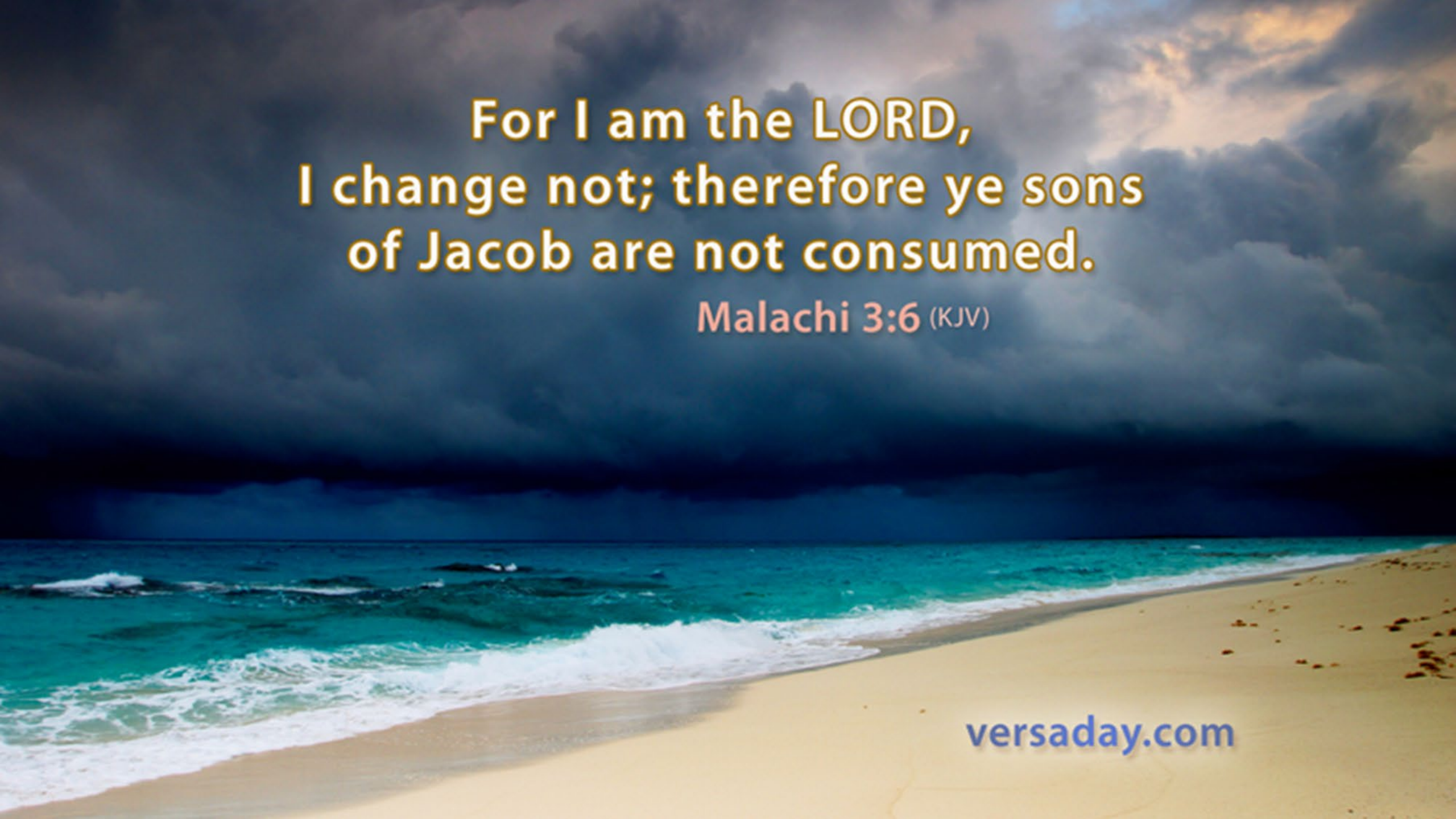
- **Altars; locations, Priests . . .**
- **The Promised Land! Ur, Egypt . . .**
- **The means; Always by Faith!**
- **The Seed; of Eve, Abram, David**

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A vibrant rainbow arches across a mountainous landscape. The foreground is dominated by lush green hills with a single tree in the center. In the background, rugged mountains with patches of snow are visible under a clear sky. The text is overlaid on the upper portion of the image.

God is not a man, that he should lie,
nor a son of man, that he should change his mind.
Does he speak and then not act? Does he promise and not fulfill?

Numbers 23:19



**For I am the LORD,
I change not; therefore ye sons
of Jacob are not consumed.**

Malachi 3:6 (KJV)

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The Purpose of the Law

Galatians 3:19-25

Therefore the law was our
tutor to bring us to Christ,
that we might be justified
by faith.

Galatians 3:24

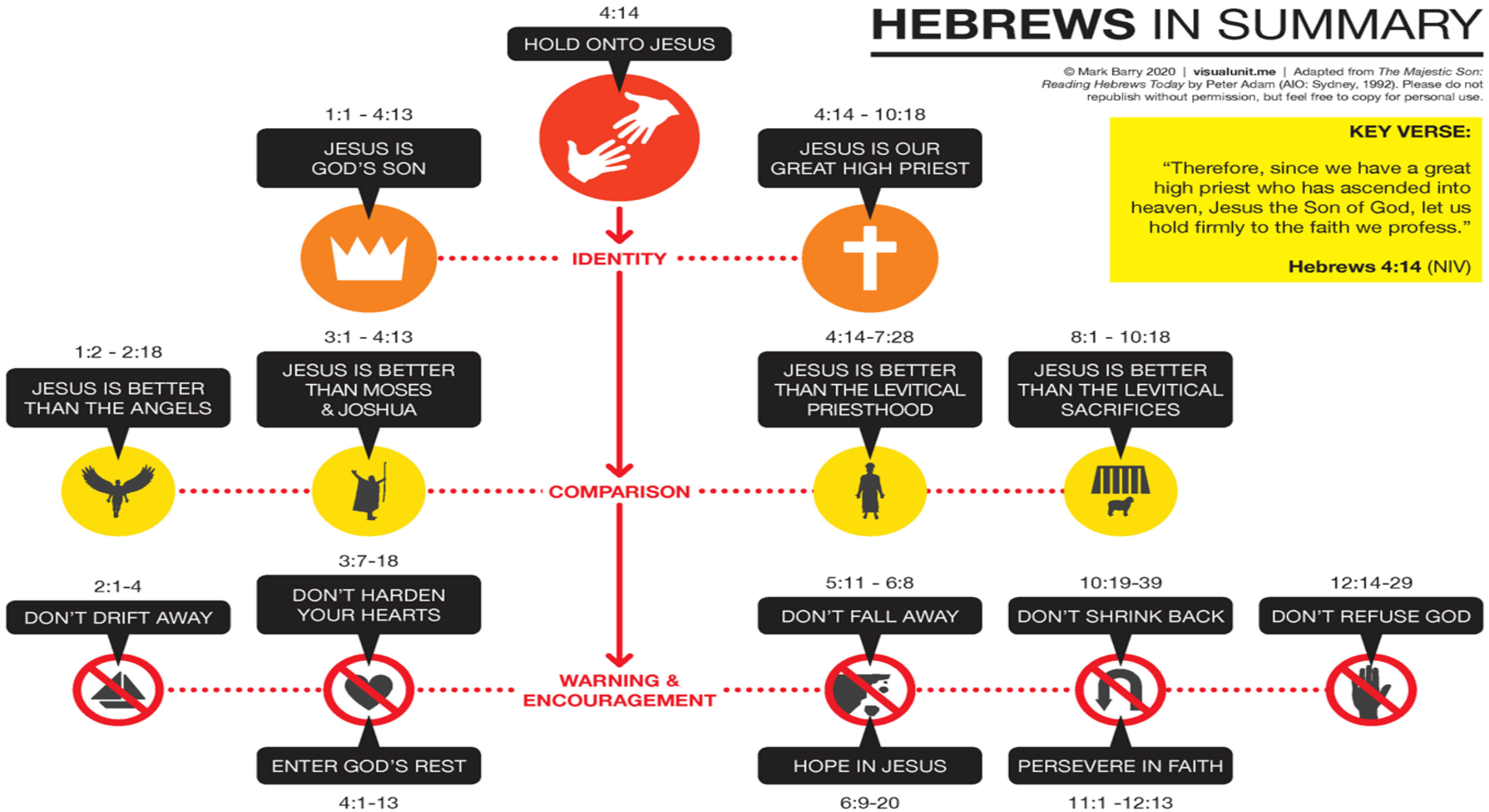
Jesus suffered outside

- **Elect Exiles! – Jn 15**
- **Jesus was rejected! Us too!**
- **Jesus suffered for His enemies!**
- **Let us go to Him . . . Bearing His . . .**

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HEBREWS IN SUMMARY

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Interesting Facts About Hebrews

AUTHOR: Not absolutely certain. Many attribute it to Paul.

TIME WRITTEN: Somewhere between A.D. 64 and 68

POSITION IN THE BIBLE:

- 58th Book in the Bible
- 19th Book in the New Testament
- 14th of 21 Epistle Books (Romans - Jude)
- 8 Books to follow it.



CHAPTERS: 13

VERSES: 303

WORDS: 6,913

OBSERVATIONS ABOUT HEBREWS:

- Many regard the Book of Hebrews as the 14th epistle of Paul.
- The 3rd century theologian, Origen wrote: "Who it was that really wrote the epistle (Hebrews), God only knows."
- The Book of Hebrews shows the superiority of Christianity over the Judaic system under the Law of Moses.
- A majority view seems to be that the recipients of Hebrews probably lived in Rome. Hebrews 13:24 - "Those from Italy greet you."
- The recipients of the Book of Hebrews:
 - had become Christians by hearing the preaching of those who had been eyewitnesses of Christ. 2:3
 - Were not recent converts (novices). 5:12
 - Had become "Dull of hearing" (5:11) and were in danger of drifting away from Christ.
- There are nearly 100 Old testament references in the Book of Hebrews, all of which are from the Septuagint version.
- Exodus and Leviticus are especially helpful in understanding Hebrews.
- Prominent words in the Book of Hebrews include:
 - "Better" • "Heavenly"
 - "Perfect" • "By faith"

HEBREWS

■ The basic theme of Hebrews is found in the word "better," in describing the superiority of Christ in both His person and His work. Christ provides:

- Better revelation. 1:1-2
- Better expectation. 6:9
- Better priesthood. 7:7-11, 20-28
- Better hope. 7:19
- Better testament, covenant. 7:22, 8:6
- Better promises. 8:6
- Better sacrifices. 8:6
- Better possessions. 10:34
- Better country. 11:16
- Better resurrection. 11:35
- Better things. 11:40; 12:24

■ In his Person, Christ is better than:

- The angels
- Moses
- Joshua

■ In His Performance, Christ provides:

- A better priesthood • A better sanctuary
- A better covenant • A better sacrifice



OLD COVENANT

- Shadow _____
- Temporary _____
- Mediator: Moses _____
- High Priest: Aaron _____
- Priests: Only Levites _____
- Imperfect _____
- Abolished _____
- Entered by natural birth _____
- For Jews only _____

NEW COVENANT

- The substance
- Permanent
- Mediator: Christ
- High Priest: Christ
- Priests: Every Christian
- Perfect
- Last until end of age
- Entered by spiritual birth
- For all nations

New Testament Sacrifices

- **Continually offer up a sacrifice of praise**
- **Doing good and sharing**
- **Present your bodies as a living and holy sacrifice! – Rom 12**

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Every good and perfect gift is from above,
coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights,
who does not change like shifting shadows.

James 1:17



Do not be misled

- **No more Animal sacrifices**
- **No more Kosher law**
- **No more Temple**
- **Don't get carried away**

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There's a difference
between Old Testament
and New Testament Laws.
But You wouldn't Know
that would You? I just Love
how ppl who don't even
believe the Bible, try and
use it to contradict other
scriptures

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To those who opposed
homosexuality bc it
bible says it's an
abomination: Leviticus
also says that you can't
eat pork, shellfish, or
wear clothing that
contains 2 kinds of
material. So it looks like
a lot of you are sinners

whisper

Lamb – Shepherd!

- **The Lamb, takes away sin**
- **The Shepherd lays down his life**
- **The Shepherd equips us and will never leave us! – Ps 23**

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DISCOVERS THE DISEASE.**

**THE
GOSPEL
GIVES THE REMEDY.”**

MARTIN LUTHER

**LIVE AS IF CHRIST
DIED YESTERDAY**

ROSE THIS MORNING

**AND IS COMING
BACK TOMORROW**

- MARTIN LUTHER

**THE ONLY SAFE PLACE FOR A SHEEP IS
BY THE SIDE OF HIS SHEPHERD.
BECAUSE THE DEVIL DOES NOT FEAR
SHEEP. HE ONLY FEARS THE SHEPHERD.**

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And Abram moved his **tent**
and came and dwelt by the oaks of Mamre,

which are in Hebron,
and there he
built an **altar** to Jehovah.

Genesis 13:18



The Book of HEBREWS

A

The Supremacy of Christ's Person (1:1 to 4:16)

① Better than the PROPHETS (1:2-3)
In SEVEN ways...

② Better than the ANGELS (1:4-14)
By a more excellent name

1ST Warning (2:1-4)
Neglect

③ Better than MOSES (3:1-6)
By his Work
By his Person

2ND Warning (3:7-4:5)
Unbelief

SUMMATION AND APPLICATION: "Seeing then..." (4:14-16)

B

The Supremacy of Christ's Work (5:1 to 10:25)

① A Better Priesthood (5:1-7:28)
By a greater Calling
By a greater Oath
By a better Priestly Order

3RD Warning (5:11-6:12)
Being dull of hearing

② A Better Covenant (8:1-13)
By a more excellent Ministry
By a New Covenant

③ A Better Sanctuary (9:1-11)
By a greater tabernacle

④ A Better Sacrifice (9:12-28)
By the perfect blood

⑤ A Better Offering (10:1-18)
By an eternal offering

SUMMATION AND APPLICATION: "Having therefore..." (10:19-25)

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The Supremacy of Having Faith in Christ (10:26 -13:17)

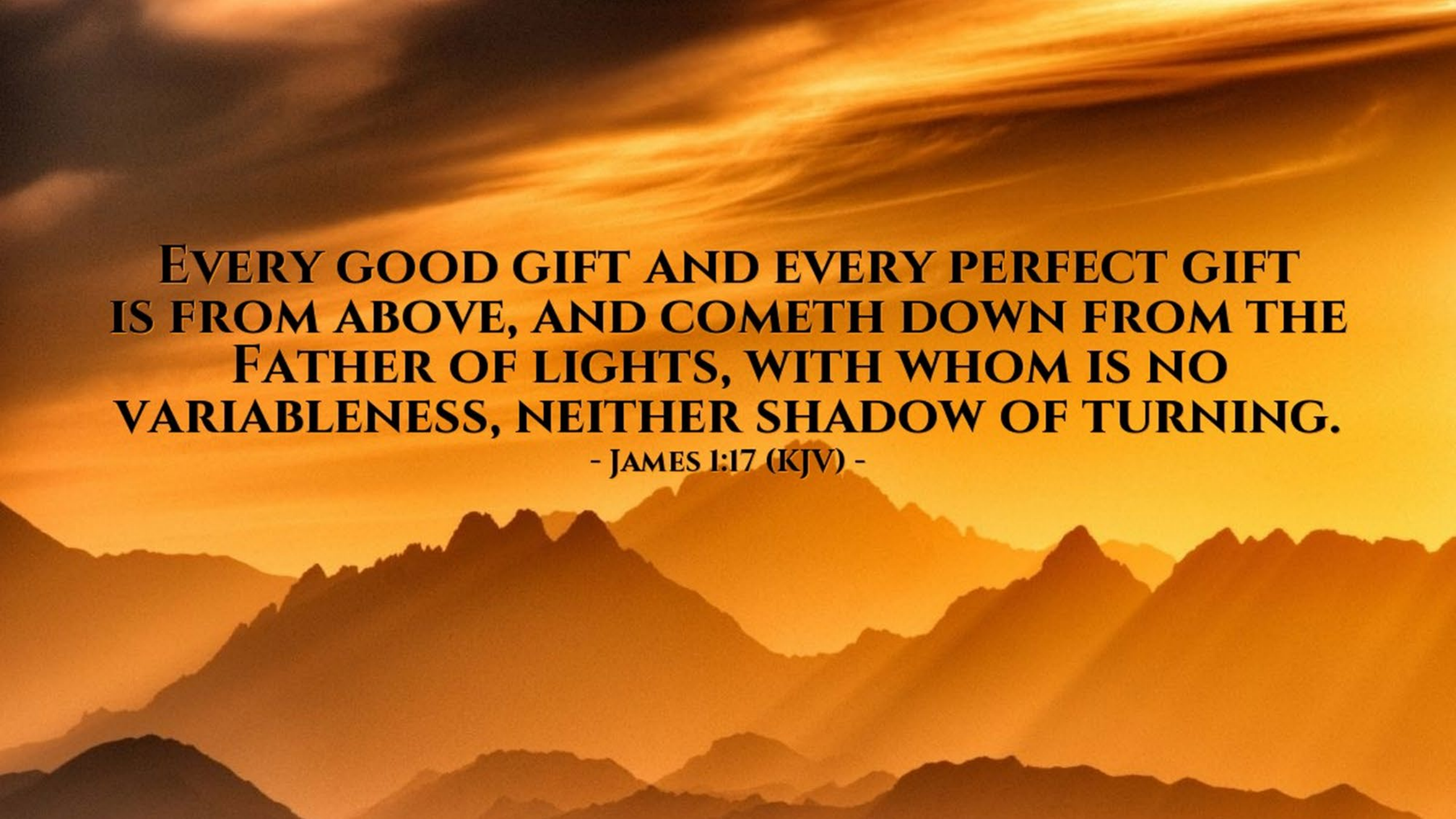
① Faith (11:1 to 12:24)
Definition of Faith
Examples of Faith
Endurance of Faith

4TH Warning (10:26-39)
Drawing back

② Love (13:1-17)

5TH Warning (12:25-29)
Refusing God

CONCLUSION (13:18-25)



**EVERY GOOD GIFT AND EVERY PERFECT GIFT
IS FROM ABOVE, AND COMETH DOWN FROM THE
FATHER OF LIGHTS, WITH WHOM IS NO
VARIABLENESS, NEITHER SHADOW OF TURNING.**

- JAMES 1:17 (KJV) -



For I the LORD do not change;
therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed.

MALACHI 3:6

**The
LORD WHO
WAS WITH
DANIEL,
MOSES**

**IS THE
SAME GOD
WITH
YOU.**

Masterpiece of Jesus Christ Mission

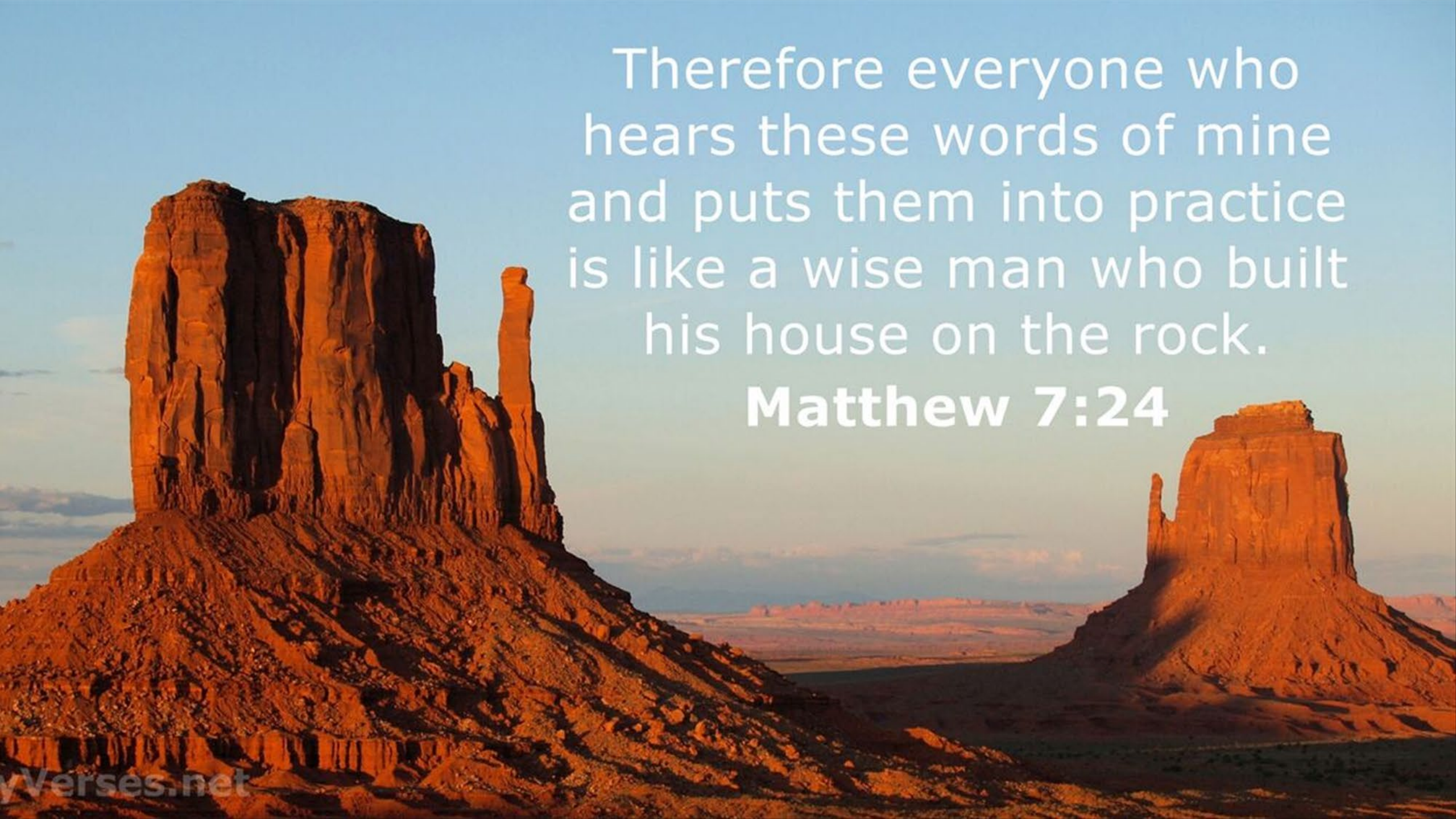
-HOLY SPIRIT



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YESTERDAY *and* **TODAY** *and* **FOREVER**

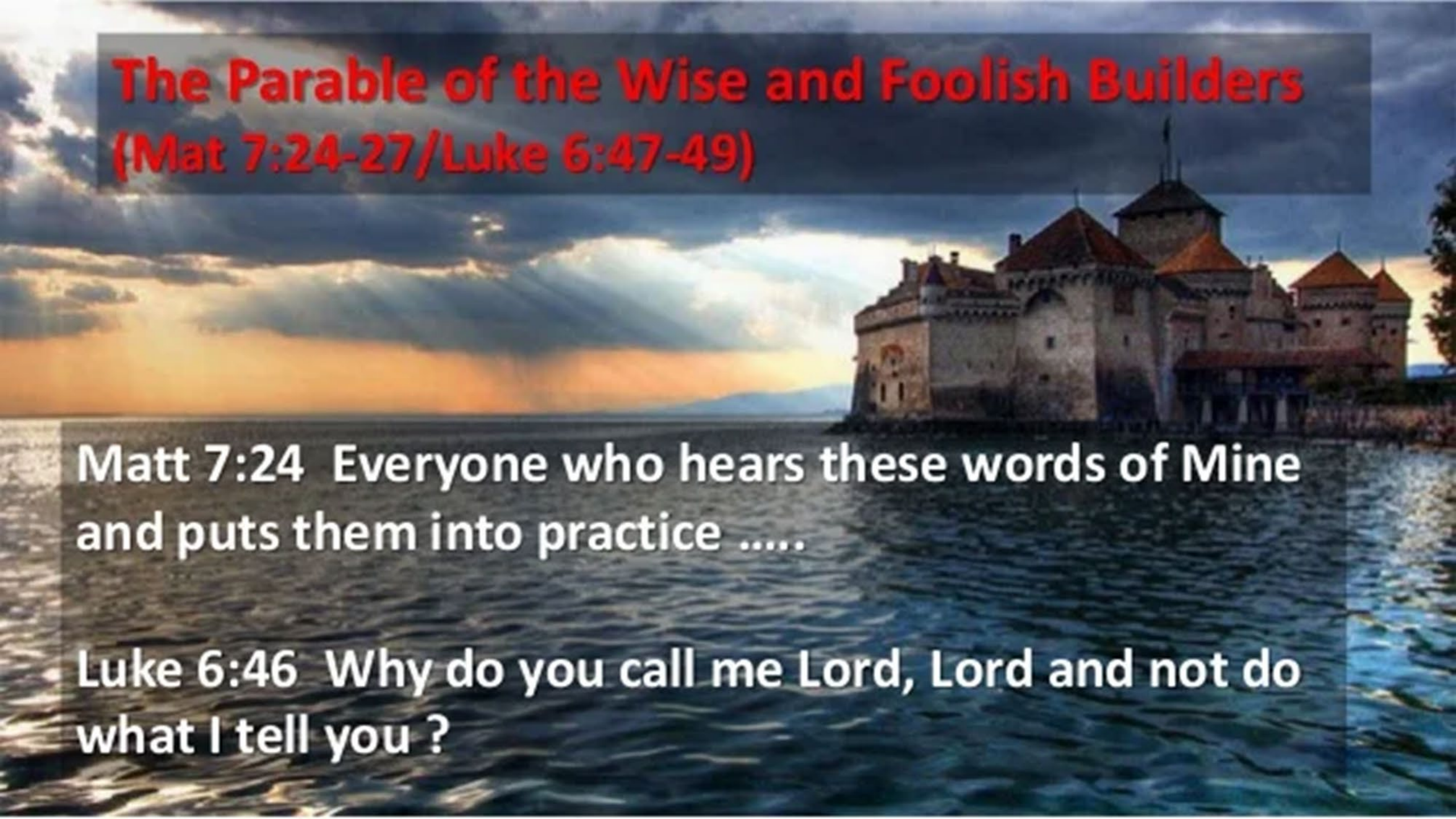
Hebrews 13:8



A desert landscape featuring prominent red rock buttes. The largest butte on the left is a massive, rectangular rock formation with a smaller, thin spire on its right side. Another large butte is visible on the right. The ground is a mix of reddish-brown soil and sparse vegetation. The sky is a clear, pale blue.

Therefore everyone who
hears these words of mine
and puts them into practice
is like a wise man who built
his house on the rock.

Matthew 7:24



The Parable of the Wise and Foolish Builders (Mat 7:24-27/Luke 6:47-49)

Matt 7:24 Everyone who hears these words of Mine and puts them into practice

Luke 6:46 Why do you call me Lord, Lord and not do what I tell you ?

For the Law, since it has only a shadow of the good things to come and not the very form of things, can never, by the same sacrifices which they offer continually year by year, make perfect those who draw near.

Hebrews 10:1

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Applying the 3 law categories today as Christians.

1. Follow the NT's instruction regarding these laws.

- Deut. 14 covers laws about clean and unclean food.
- Mark 7 and Acts 10 teach that Christians do not need to follow those rules - they were part of the civil law.
- But, moral laws are repeated or even amplified in the NT, like “do not murder” are valid for Christians today.
- They are part of doing the “good works” that we've been saved by grace to do (Eph. 2:9-10).

2. Understand what these laws teach us about God's character.

- Deut. 22:11 forbids the Israelites from mixing wool and linen to remind them about God's holiness and the nation's distinctness.
- We don't have to obey this civil law, but it tell us much about God.

3. Appreciate Jesus' perfection because he upheld all these laws. All of them.

- These laws are quite instructive for our lives as Christians.
- They point us again and again to our need for a Savior!

The **NATURE** of **SAVING FAITH**

Righteousness of WORKS vs. Righteousness of FAITH

of The **LAW**

- LOST - 1
- ZEAL for God without knowledge - 2; Jn 5:46
- Ignorantly sought to establish own righteousness - 3
- Had NOT submitted to the righteousness of God - 3
- The Law CANNOT save - 5; 7:10; Gal 3:10-12

ROMANS 10:1-13



of The **FAITH**

- "Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes." - 4; 8:3,4; Mat. 5:17,18; Gal. 3:24-29
- God provides what we COULD NOT provide for ourselves - 7; Jn 3:16
- This message has been preached - MUST believe in Jesus - 8-11

AUTHOR: ?

- PAUL?
- BARNABAS?
- APOLLOS?



THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

JESUS IS THE ULTIMATE REVELATION OF GOD



AUDIENCE: ?



• SEE 10:32-34
PERSECUTION & IMPRISONMENT

THROUGH KNOWLEDGE OF THE OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE



Extra tips

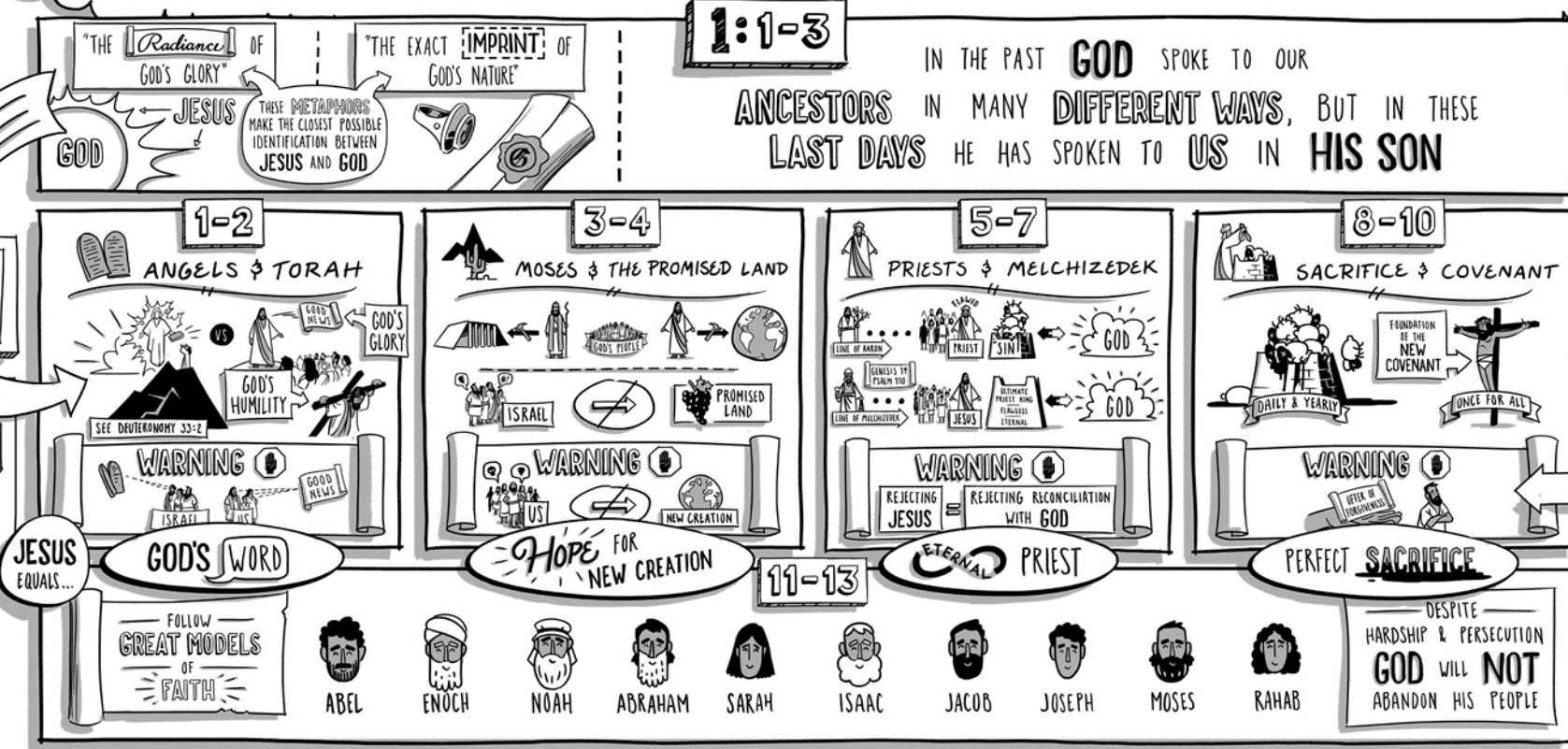
#1 LOOK UP OLD TESTAMENT QUOTATIONS (THERE ARE A LOT)

#2 THE POINT IS TO FEEL A BIT UNCOMFORTABLE, BUT NOT AFRAID

2 MAIN GOAL

#1 ELEVATE JESUS AS SUPERIOR

#2 CHALLENGE THE READER TO REMAIN FAITHFUL TO JESUS DESPITE PERSECUTION



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Here's a thought I leave you to ponder...

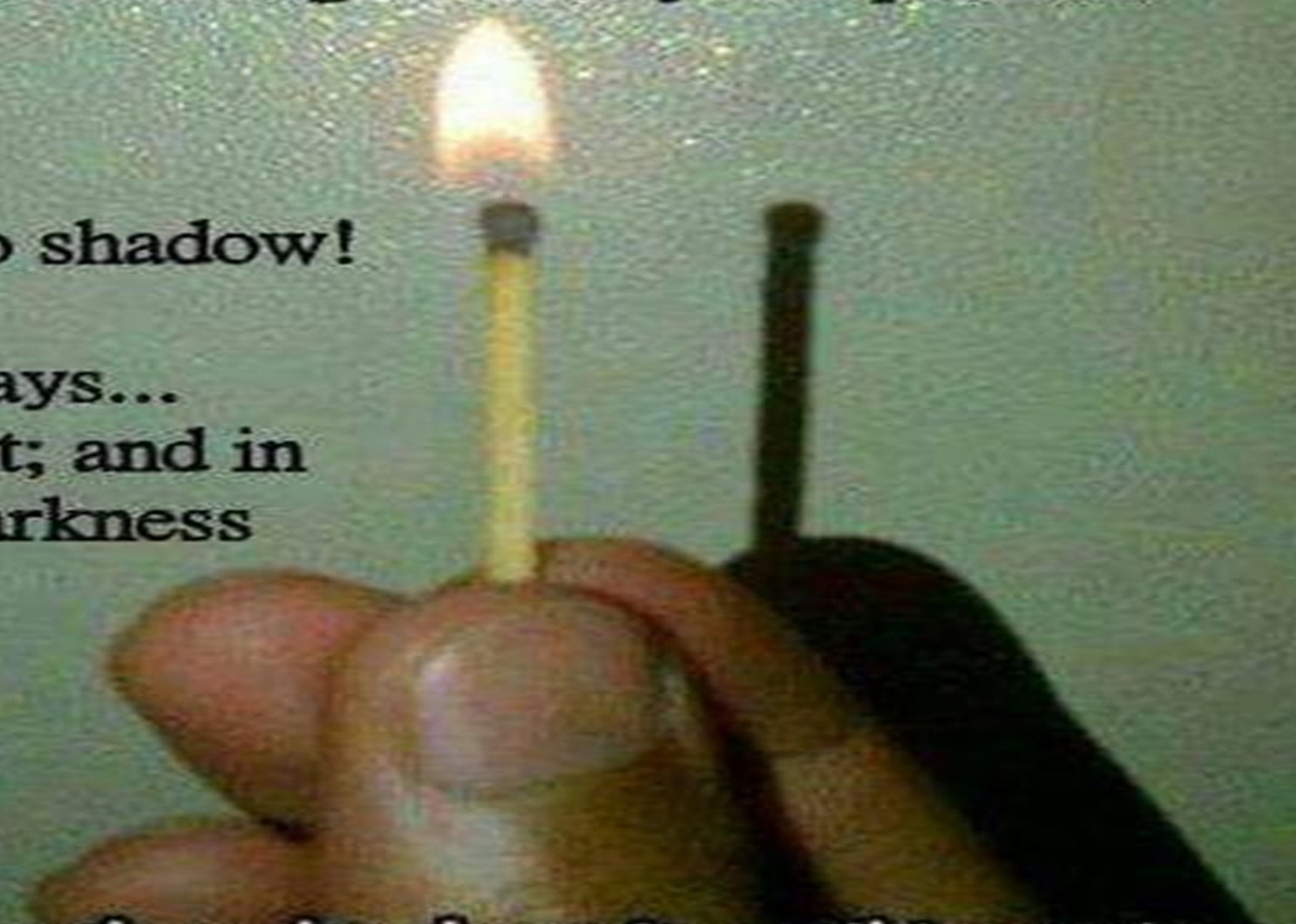
Light has no shadow!

The Bible says...

"God is light; and in him is no darkness at all."

1 John 1:5.

Never thought about it, until I saw it...



**EVER NOTICE THAT
LIGHT HAS
NO SHADOW?**

BE LIGHT...

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Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets,

but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the world.

HEBREWS 1:1-2

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