



# I Will Go

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*You feel the heat of trials?*



# *Talk Faith, Sing Faith!*

“Press your way through the shadow which Satan throws across your pathway and take hold of the arm of Jesus, the Mighty One. **When the enemy comes with his darkness, sing faith and talk faith, and you will find that you have sung and talked yourself into the light.**”

*Mind Character and Personality, vol. 2, p. 650*



A background image of a city skyline at night, with numerous skyscrapers illuminated. Overlaid on the city are many vertical lines of light in various colors (blue, purple, pink, white) that extend from the buildings up towards the top of the frame, creating a digital or network-like effect. The sky is a deep blue with some light clouds.

# *Season of Distress and Anguish*

**Great Controversy, p. 621**



**“Despondency may shake the most heroic faith and weaken the most steadfast will. But God understands, and He still pities and loves.** He reads the motives and the purposes of the heart. To wait patiently, to trust when everything looks dark, is the lesson that [we all] need to learn. Heaven will not fail [us] in [our] day of adversity. Nothing is apparently more helpless, yet really more invincible, than the soul that feels its nothingness and relies wholly on God.”

*Prophets & Kings, p. 194*

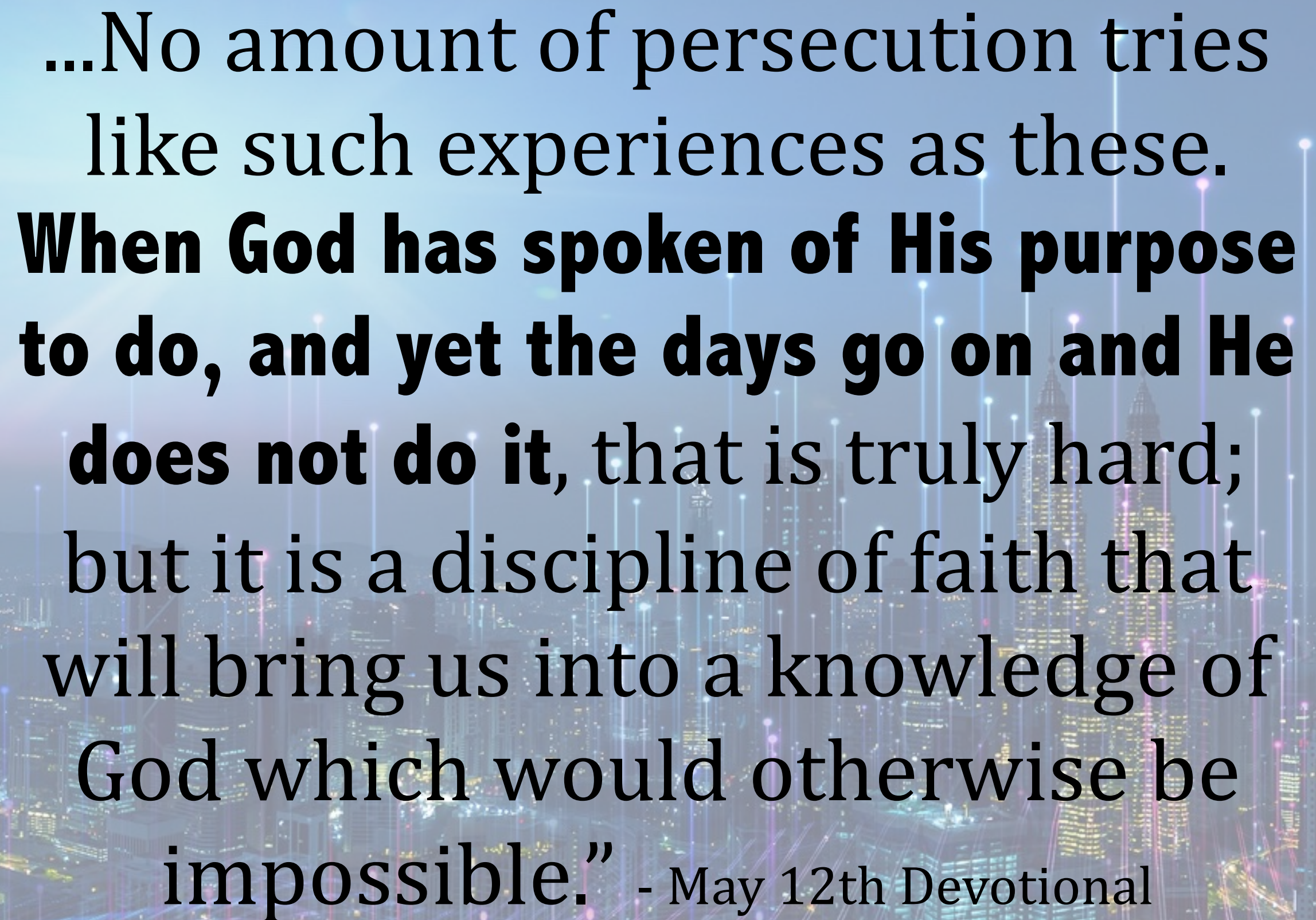


“In the lives of all the great Bible characters, God worked thus. **Abraham, Moses, and Elijah were not great in the beginning, but were made great through the discipline of their faith, and only thus were they fitted for the positions to which God had called them.** For example, in the case of Joseph whom the Lord was training for the throne in Egypt, we read in Psalms, ‘The Word of the Lord tried Him.’ It was not the prison life with its hard beds or poor food that tried him, but it was the word God had spoken into his heart in the early years concerning elevation and honor which were greater than his brethren were to receive...



**...It was this which was ever before him, when every step in his career made it seem more and more impossible of fulfillment,** until he was there imprisoned, and all in innocence, while others who were perhaps justly incarcerated, were released, and he was left to languish alone. These were the hours that tried his soul, but hours of spiritual growth and development, that, 'when his word came' (the word of release), found him fitted for the delicate task of dealing with his wayward brethren, with a love and patience only surpassed by God himself...





...No amount of persecution tries  
like such experiences as these.  
**When God has spoken of His purpose  
to do, and yet the days go on and He  
does not do it, that is truly hard;  
but it is a discipline of faith that  
will bring us into a knowledge of  
God which would otherwise be  
impossible.”** - May 12th Devotional



# Stay in the Airplane!



## Enduring Faith!





# Faith

All through Scripture

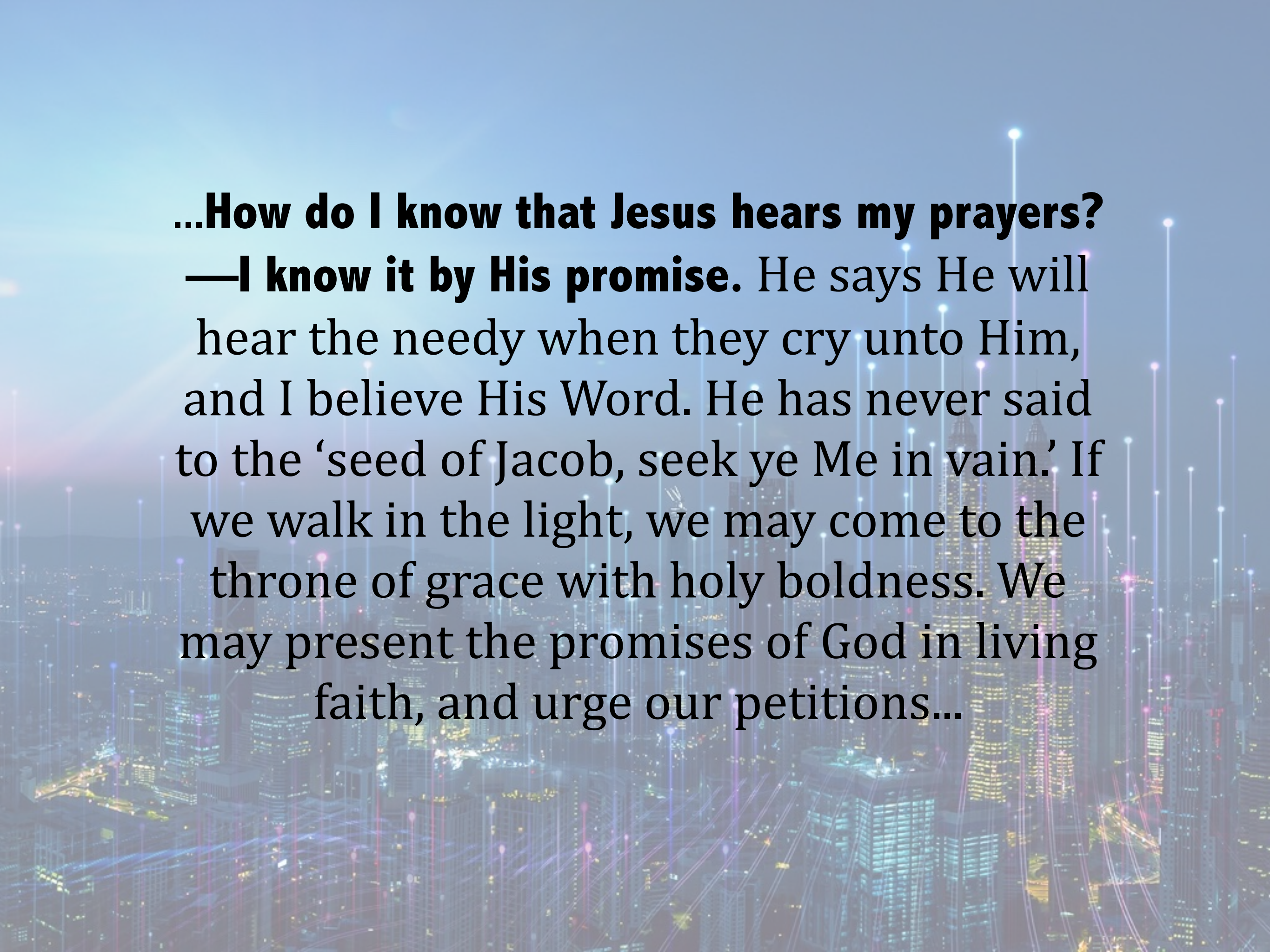


**When He comes  
back,  
where He find faith  
on earth!**



**“Faith takes God at His Word, with or without feeling.** It ‘is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.’ We can believe our fellowmen, and can we not trust the Word of God? When we go to Him for wisdom or grace, we are not to look to ourselves to see if He has given us a special feeling as an assurance that He has fulfilled His Word. **Feeling is no criterion.** Great evils have resulted when Christians have followed feeling...





**...How do I know that Jesus hears my prayers?**  
**—I know it by His promise.** He says He will hear the needy when they cry unto Him, and I believe His Word. He has never said to the ‘seed of Jacob, seek ye Me in vain.’ If we walk in the light, we may come to the throne of grace with holy boldness. We may present the promises of God in living faith, and urge our petitions...



...Although we are weak, and erring, and unworthy, 'the Spirit helpeth our infirmities.' **When we have offered our petition once, we must not then abandon it,** but say, as did Jacob when he wrestled all night with the angel, 'I will not let Thee go, except Thou bless me,' and like him we shall prevail."

*Bible Echo*, Sept. 24, 1894



"To all who are reaching out to feel the guiding hand of God, **the moment of greatest discouragement is the time when divine help is nearest.** They will look back with thankfulness upon the darkest part of their way. 'The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly,' 2 Peter 2:9. From every temptation and every trial He will bring them forth with firmer faith and a richer experience."

*The Desire of Ages*, p. 528



# **We are told to expect trials and suffering!**

“Beloved, do not think it is strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; but REJOICE to the extent that you partake of Christ’s sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy.” 1 Pet. 4:12-13

“Do not FEAR any of those things which you are about to suffer. Indeed, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have tribulation ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.”  
Rev. 2:10





# *Daniel's Three Friends Testimony*

Daniel 3:17,18

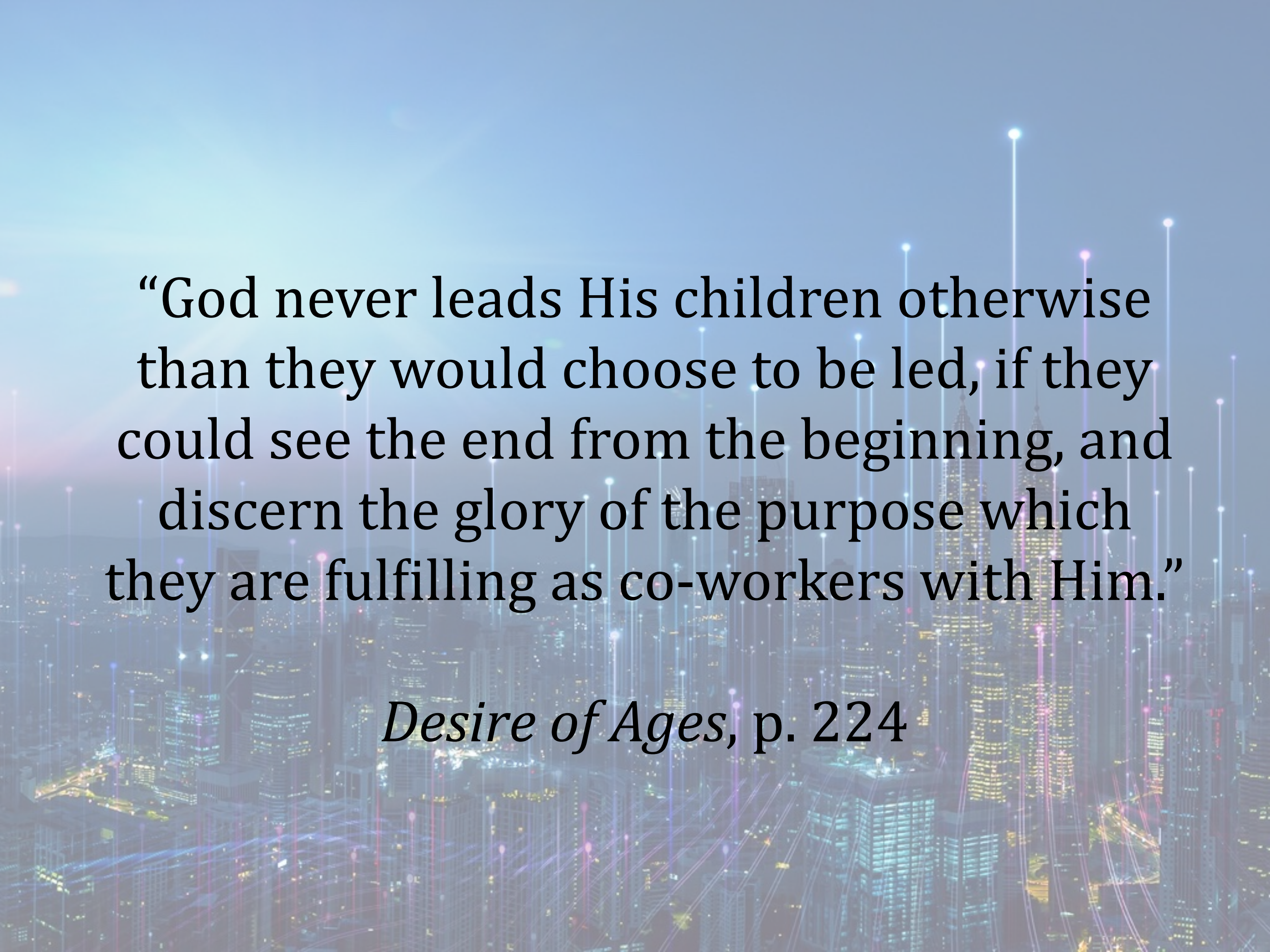


"BE  
*Still*  
AND KNOW  
I AM GOD"

Psalm 46:10





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“God never leads His children otherwise than they would choose to be led, if they could see the end from the beginning, and discern the glory of the purpose which they are fulfilling as co-workers with Him.”

*Desire of Ages*, p. 224





**This world is not our home!**  
**This is not the end of the story!**



*“One thing* have I desired of the LORD,  
that will I seek after...” Ps. 27:4





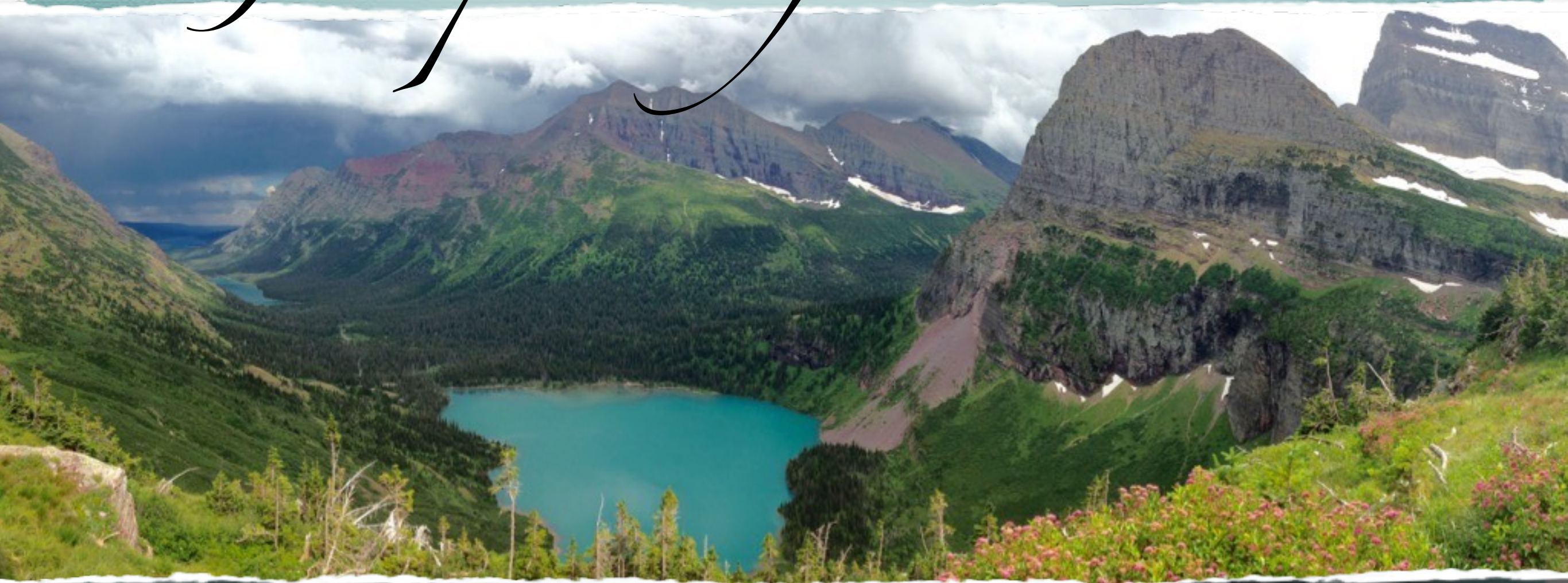


**“But as it is written, eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered int the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him.”**

**2 Cor. 2:9**



# *Glimpses of Heaven!*



The following reading comes from “Life in the Eden Home”  
from the book *Adventist Home*, p. 541 and onward!

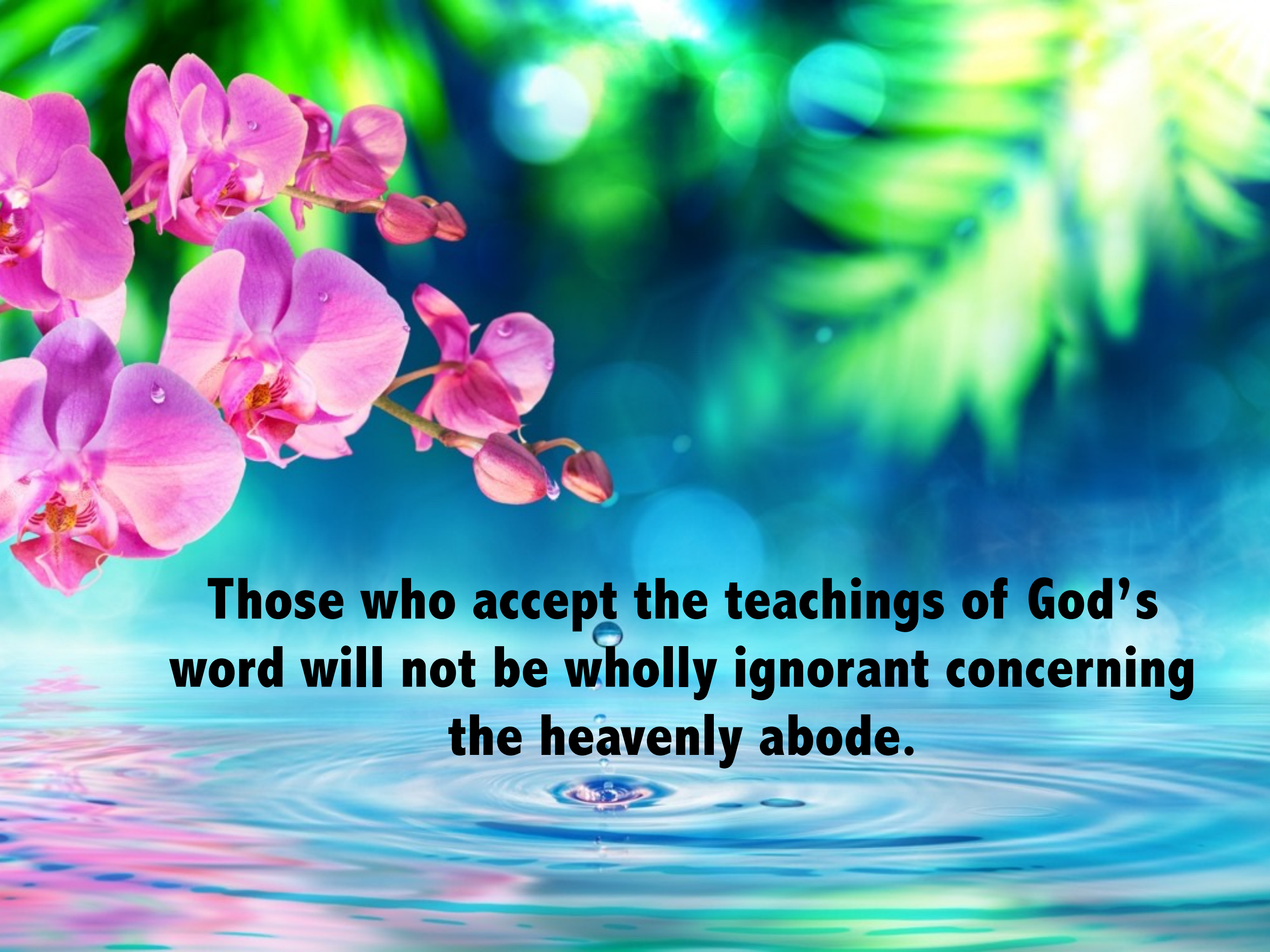


# *Heaven is our Home!*



A fear of making the future inheritance seem too material **has led many to spiritualize away the very truths which lead us to look upon it as our home.** Christ assured His disciples that He went to prepare mansions for them in the Father's house.





**Those who accept the teachings of God's  
word will not be wholly ignorant concerning  
the heavenly abode.**



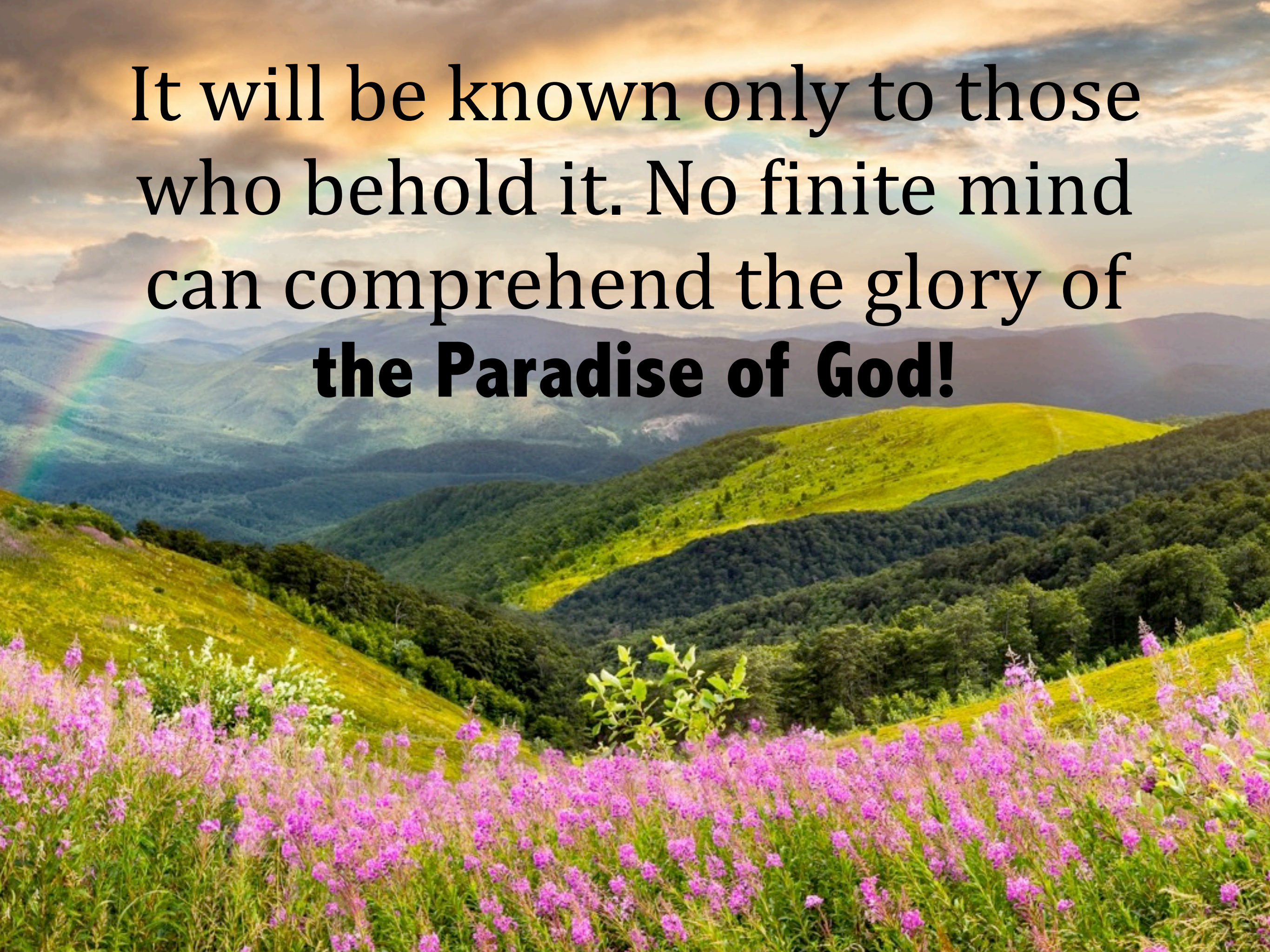
Human language is **INADEQUATE** to describe the

*Reward of the Righteous!*

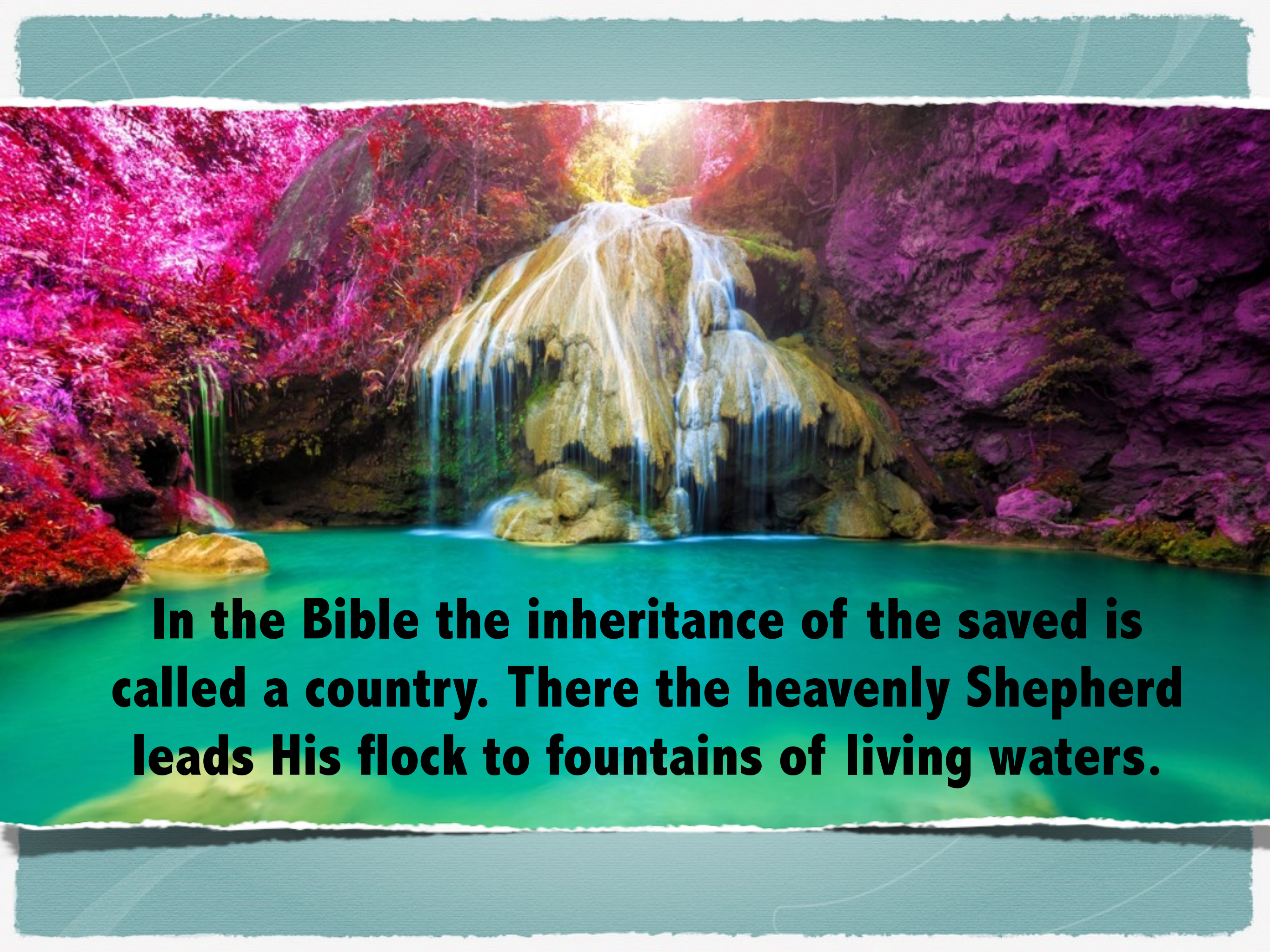




It will be known only to those  
who behold it. No finite mind  
can comprehend the glory of  
**the Paradise of God!**







**In the Bible the inheritance of the saved is called a country. There the heavenly Shepherd leads His flock to fountains of living waters.**

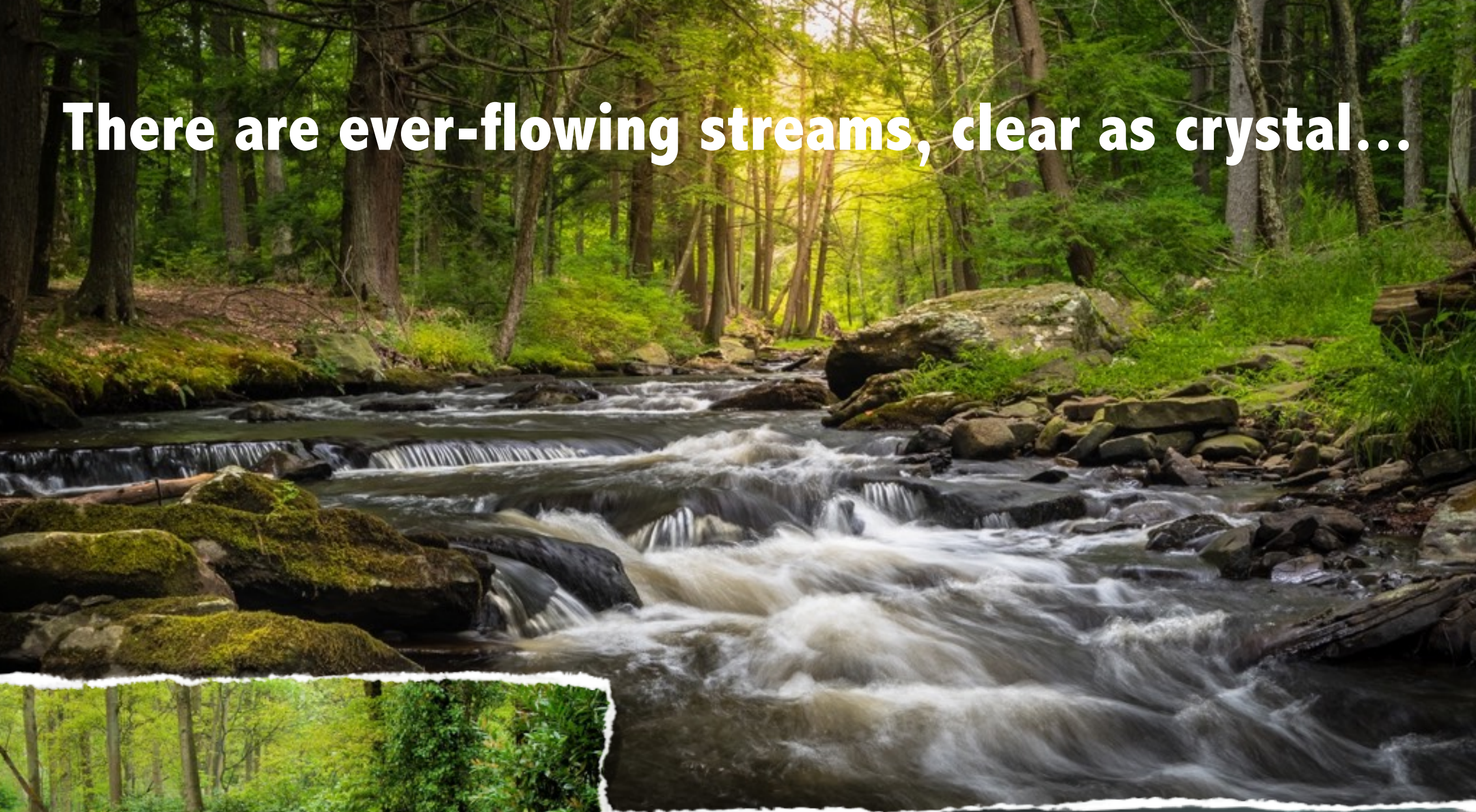




**The tree of life yields its fruit every month, and the leaves of the tree are for the service of the nations.**



**There are ever-flowing streams, clear as crystal...**



...and beside them waving trees cast  
their shadows upon the paths prepared  
for the ransomed of the Lord.



**There the widespreading plains swell into hills  
of beauty, and the mountains of God  
rear their lofty summits.**






**On those peaceful plains, beside those living  
streams, God's people, so long pilgrims and  
wanderers, shall find a**

**HOME!**





A person is silhouetted against a bright sunset sky, standing on a dark, grassy hill. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a strong lens flare effect with rays of light spreading across the frame. The sky is filled with soft, golden clouds. The overall mood is contemplative and inspiring.

**Do you have  
WHY Questions?**



# All our “Why” Questions Answered!

All that has perplexed us in the providences of God will in the world to come be made plain. **The things hard to be understood will then find explanation.** The mysteries of grace will unfold before us.





**Where our finite minds discovered only  
confusion and broken promises, we shall see  
the most perfect and**

*Beautiful harmony.*



**We shall know that infinite love  
ordered the experiences that  
seemed most trying.**

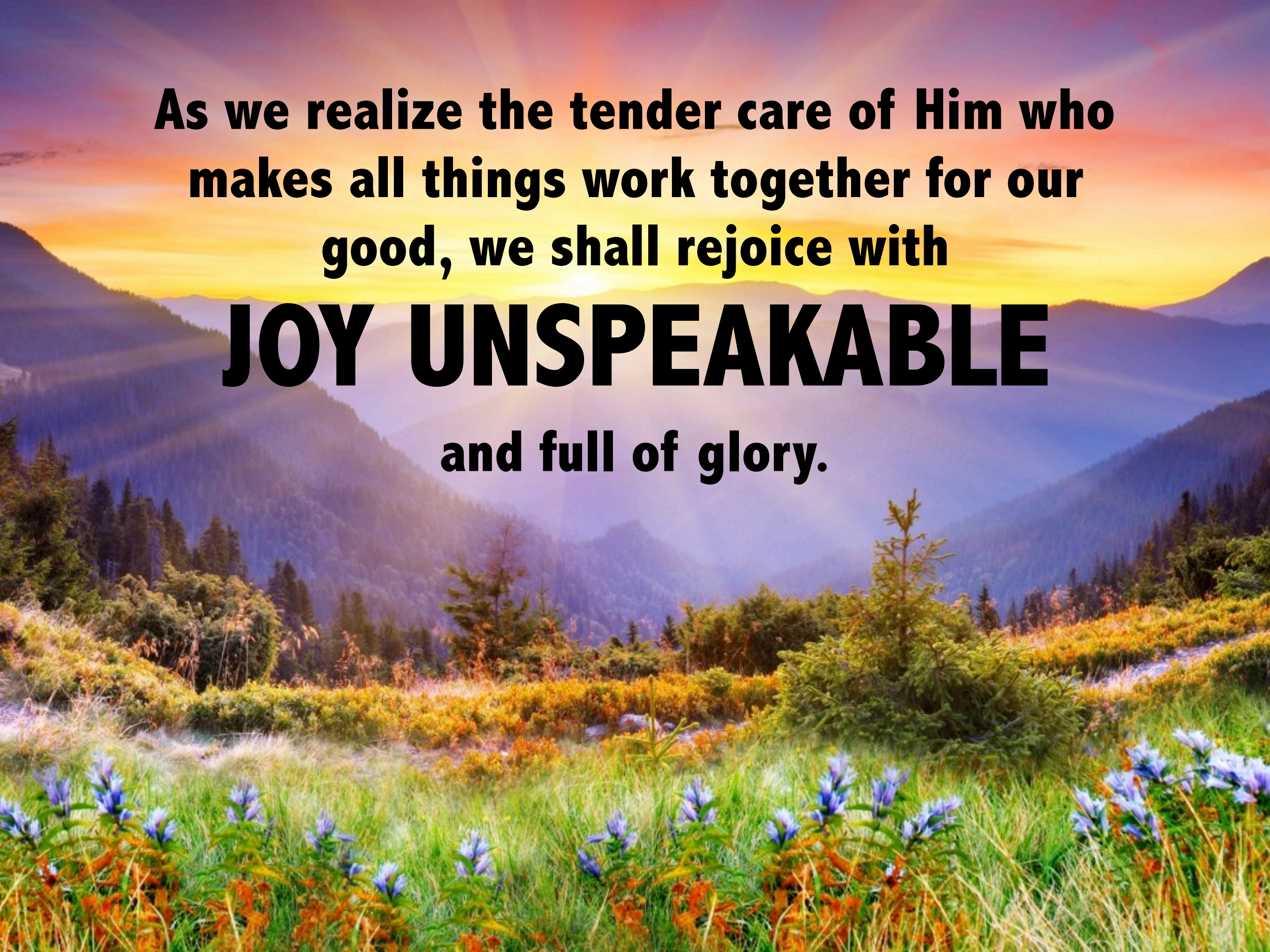




**As we realize the tender care of Him who  
makes all things work together for our  
good, we shall rejoice with**

**JOY UNSPEAKABLE**

**and full of glory.**

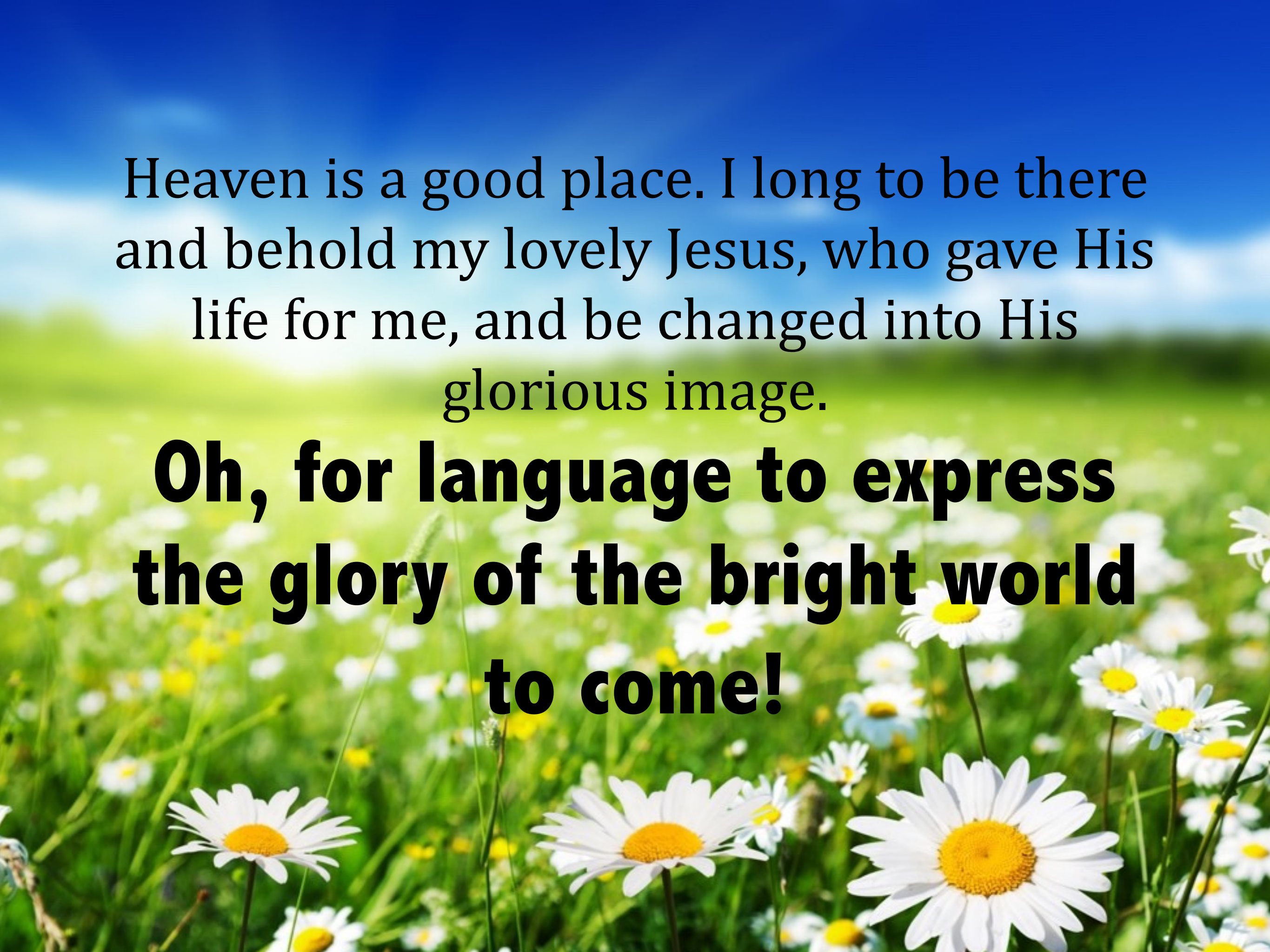






There are homes for the pilgrims of earth.  
There are robes for the righteous, with crowns of  
glory and palms of victory.





Heaven is a good place. I long to be there  
and behold my lovely Jesus, who gave His  
life for me, and be changed into His  
glorious image.

**Oh, for language to express  
the glory of the bright world  
to come!**



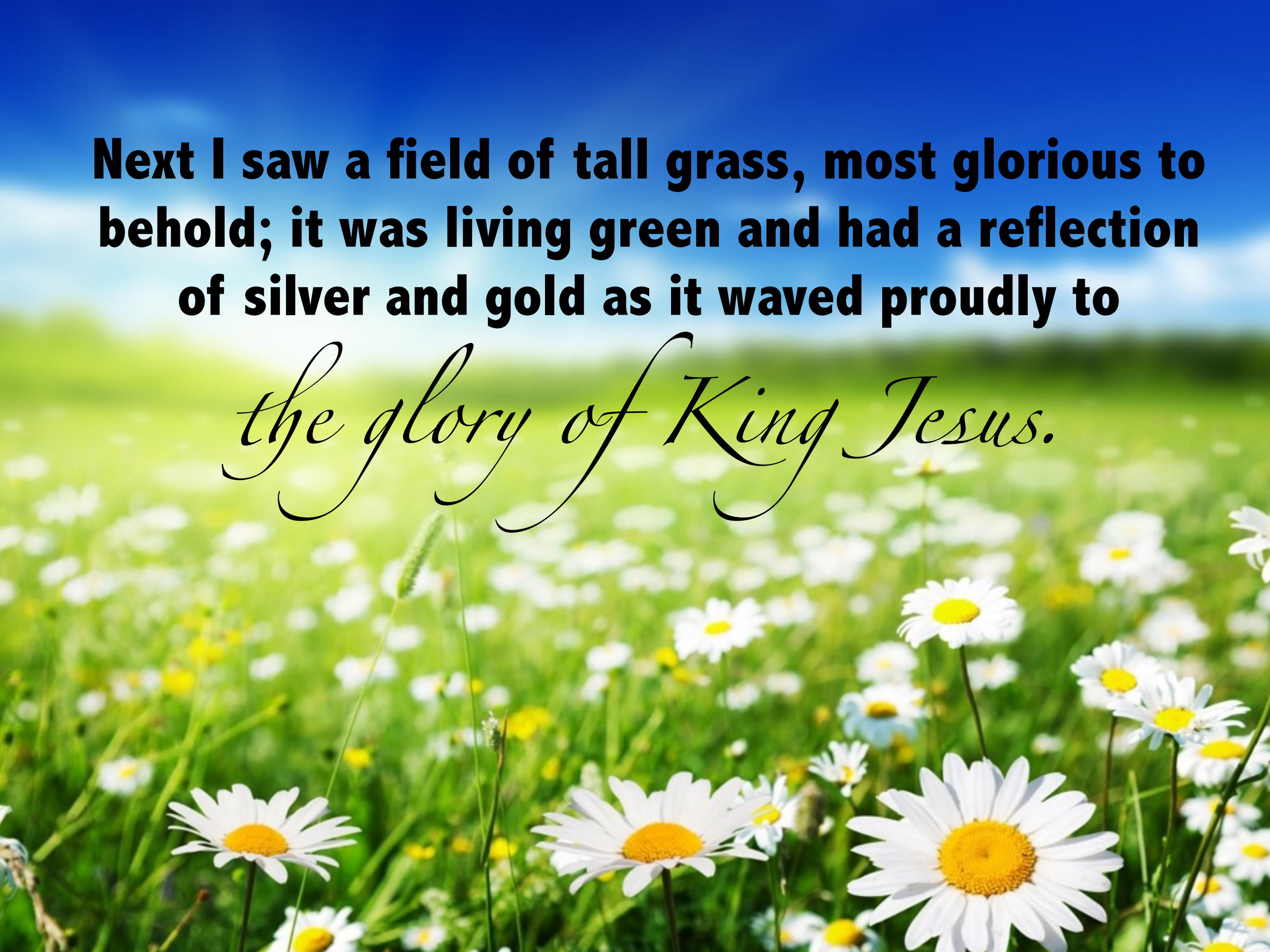
I saw another field full of all kinds of flowers,  
and as I plucked them, I cried out,  
**“They will never fade!”**





**Next I saw a field of tall grass, most glorious to behold; it was living green and had a reflection of silver and gold as it waved proudly to**

*the glory of King Jesus.*





**Then we entered a field full of all kinds of beasts—  
the lion, the lamb, the leopard, and the wolf, all  
together in perfect union. We passed through the  
midst of them, and they followed on peaceably after.**







**Heaven is also a School!**



**Heaven is a school;  
its field of study,  
the universe; its  
teacher, the Infinite  
One. A branch of  
this school was  
established in  
Eden; and, the plan  
of redemption  
accomplished,  
education will again  
be taken up in the  
Eden school.**





**Restored to His presence, man will again,  
as at the beginning, be taught of God!**

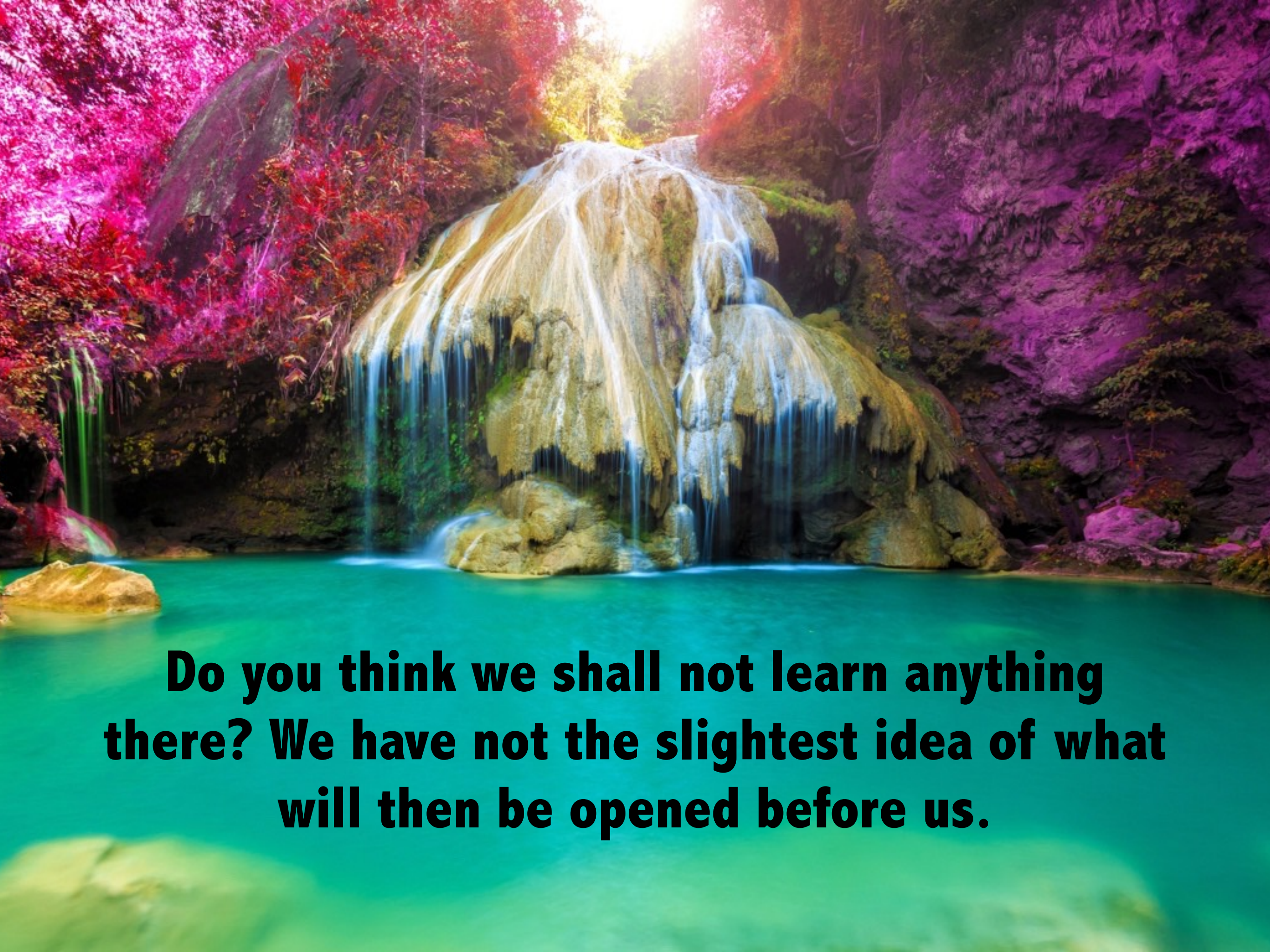




**There every power will be developed, every capability increased. The grandest enterprises will be carried forward, the loftiest aspirations will be reached, the highest ambitions realized. And still there will arise new heights to surmount, new wonders to admire, new truths to comprehend, fresh objects to call forth the powers of body and mind and soul...**







**Do you think we shall not learn anything there? We have not the slightest idea of what will then be opened before us.**





**With Christ we shall walk beside  
the living waters.**



A vibrant landscape photograph featuring a sunset over a mountain range. The sun is a bright, glowing orb in the upper right, casting a warm, golden light across the sky and the mountains. The sky is a mix of soft pinks, oranges, and purples. In the foreground, a lush field of pink flowers, likely rhododendrons, is in full bloom, their colors enhanced by the warm light. The middle ground shows rolling green hills and a rocky path. In the background, several mountain peaks are visible, with the most prominent one having a sharp, pointed summit. The overall mood is peaceful and majestic, capturing the beauty of the natural world.

**He will unfold to us the beauty  
and glory of nature.**





**He will reveal what He is to us and what we are to Him. Truth we cannot know now because of finite limitations, we shall know hereafter.**



# *The cross of Christ*

**will be the science and  
the song of the redeemed  
through all eternity!**





**All the treasures of the universe will be open  
to the study of God's children. With  
unutterable delight we shall enter into the joy  
and wisdom of the unfallen beings...**





**And the years of eternity as they roll, will  
continue to bring more glorious revelations.  
“Exceedingly abundantly above all that we  
ask or think” will be, forever and forever, the  
impartation of the gifts of God...**



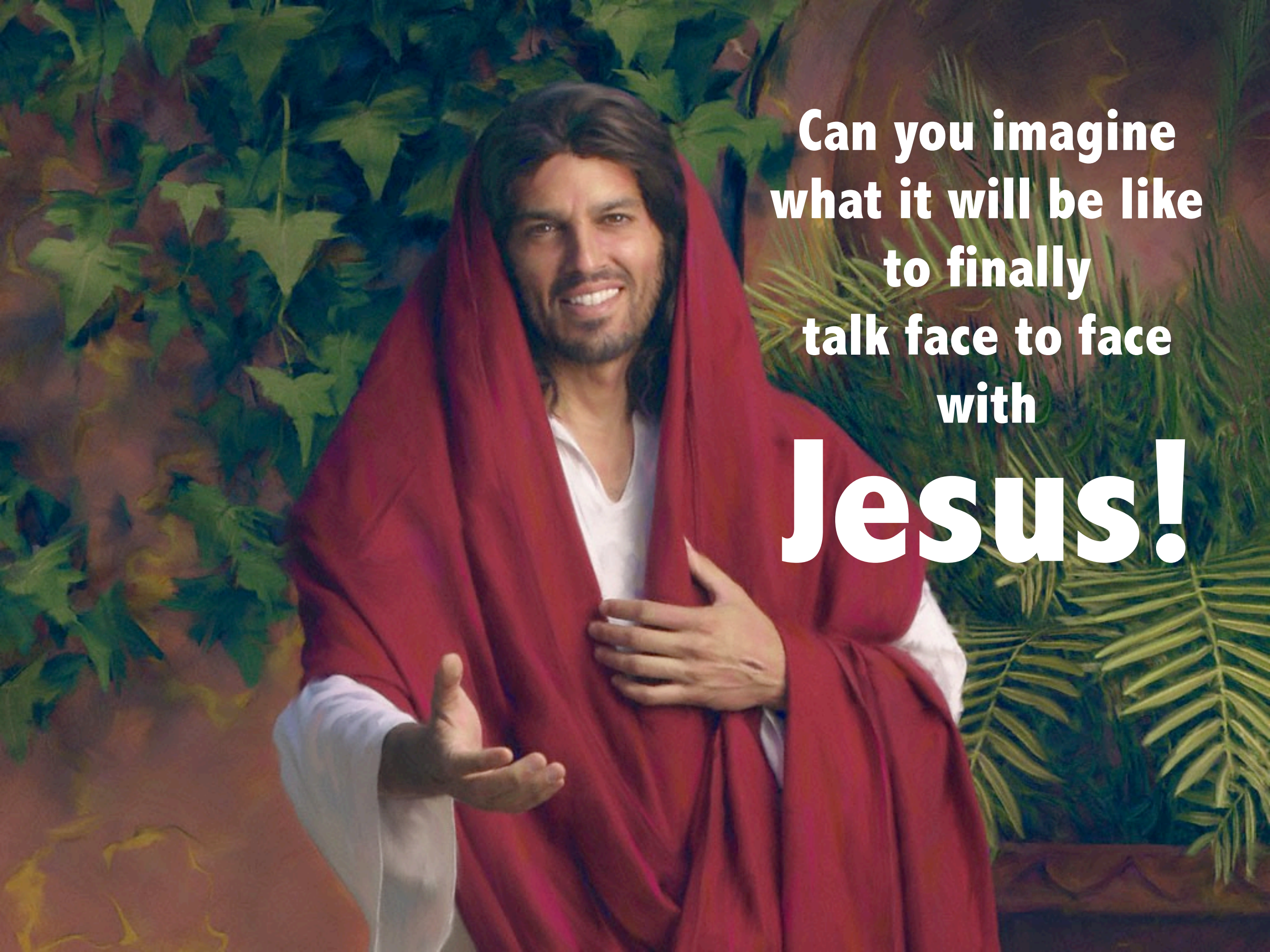


**Can you imagine what it will be like to finally be**

**HOME?**







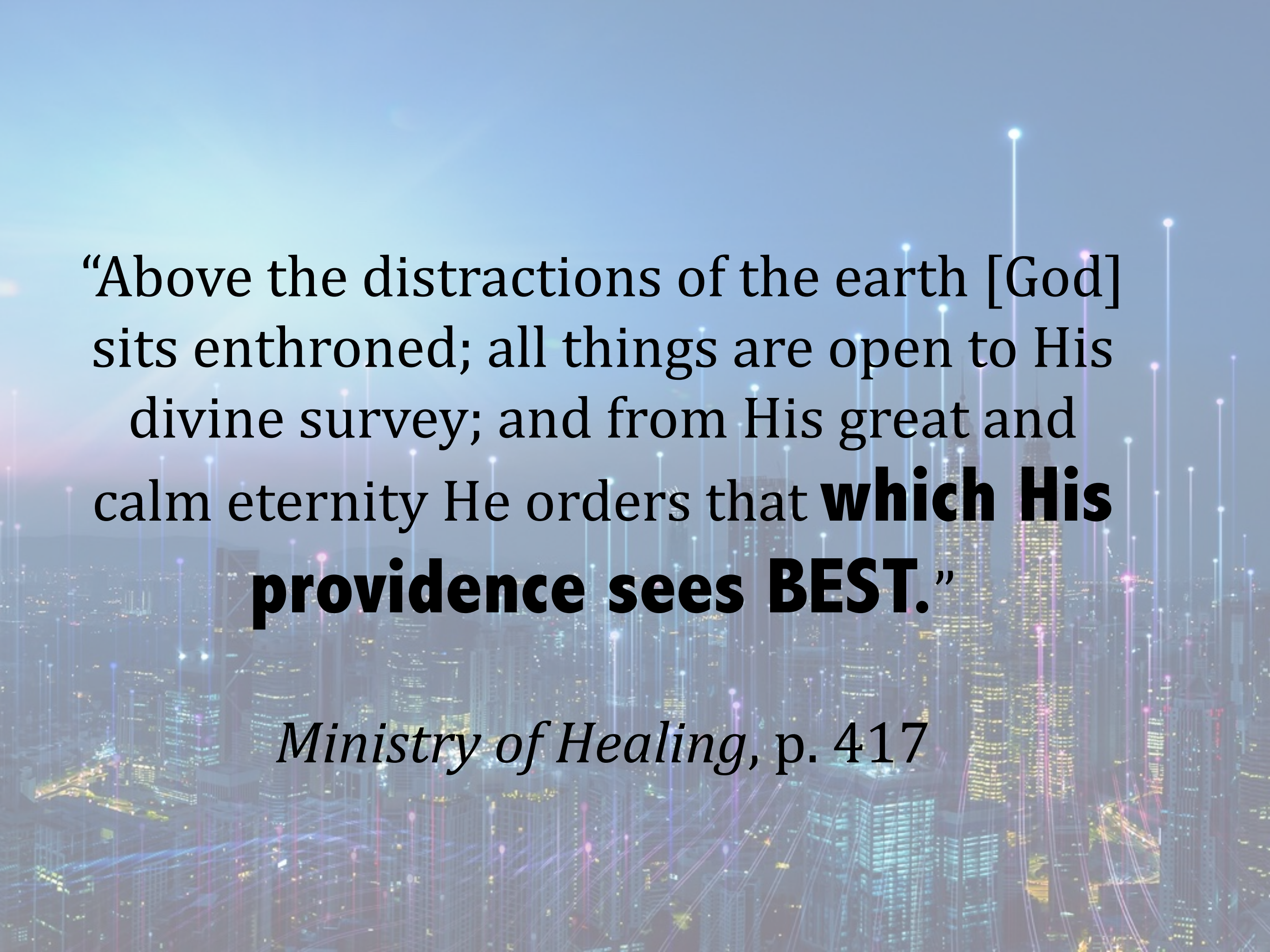
**Can you imagine  
what it will be like  
to finally  
talk face to face  
with**

**Jesus!**





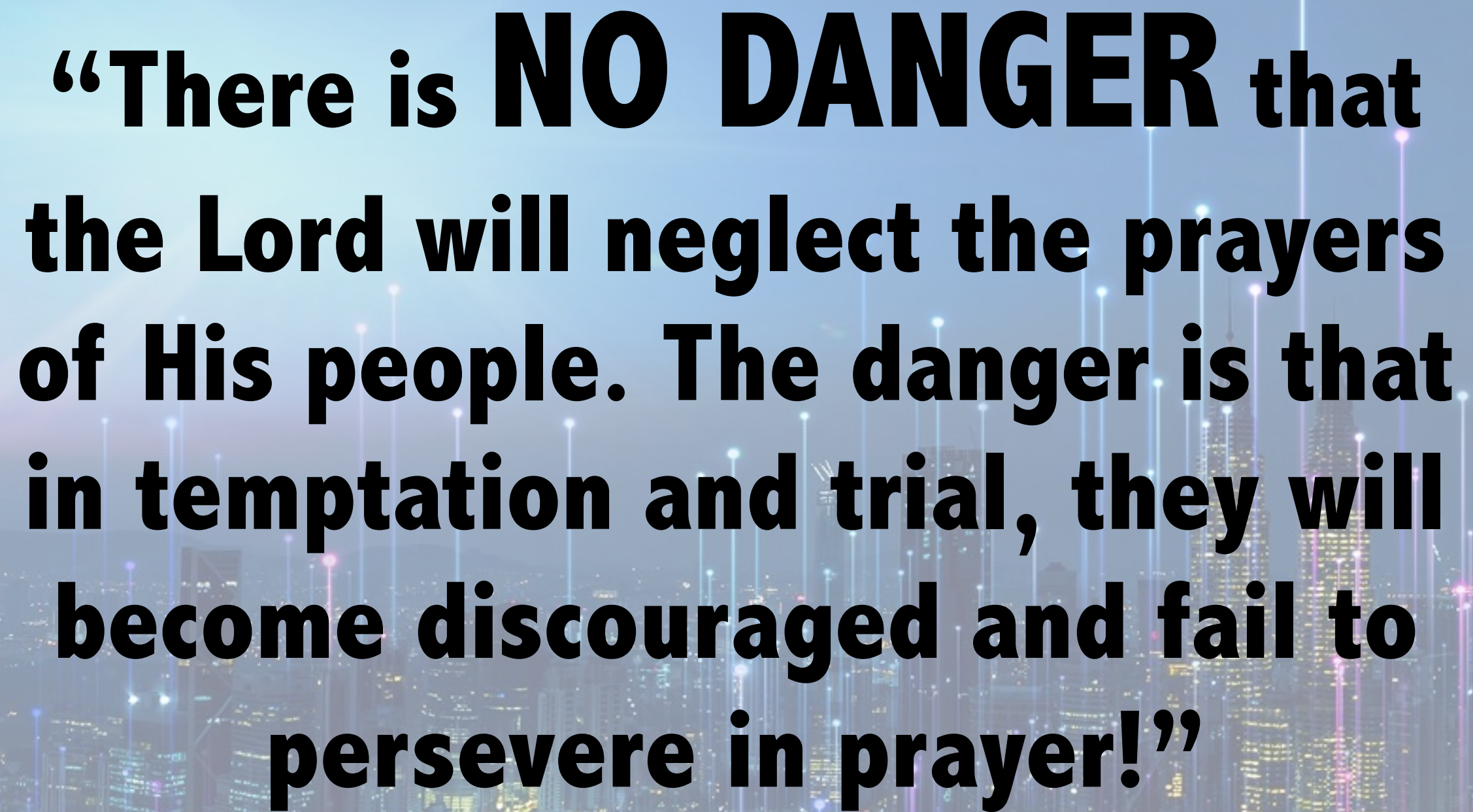


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“Above the distractions of the earth [God] sits enthroned; all things are open to His divine survey; and from His great and calm eternity He orders that **which His providence sees BEST.**”

*Ministry of Healing, p. 417*





**“There is **NO DANGER** that the Lord will neglect the prayers of His people. The danger is that in temptation and trial, they will become discouraged and fail to persevere in prayer!”**

*Christ Object Lessons, p. 175*





# **Prove ME!**

Mal. 3:10



“Now unto Him that is able to do  
exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask  
or think, according to the power that  
worketh in us...Unto Him be the glory”  
Eph. 3:20,21







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