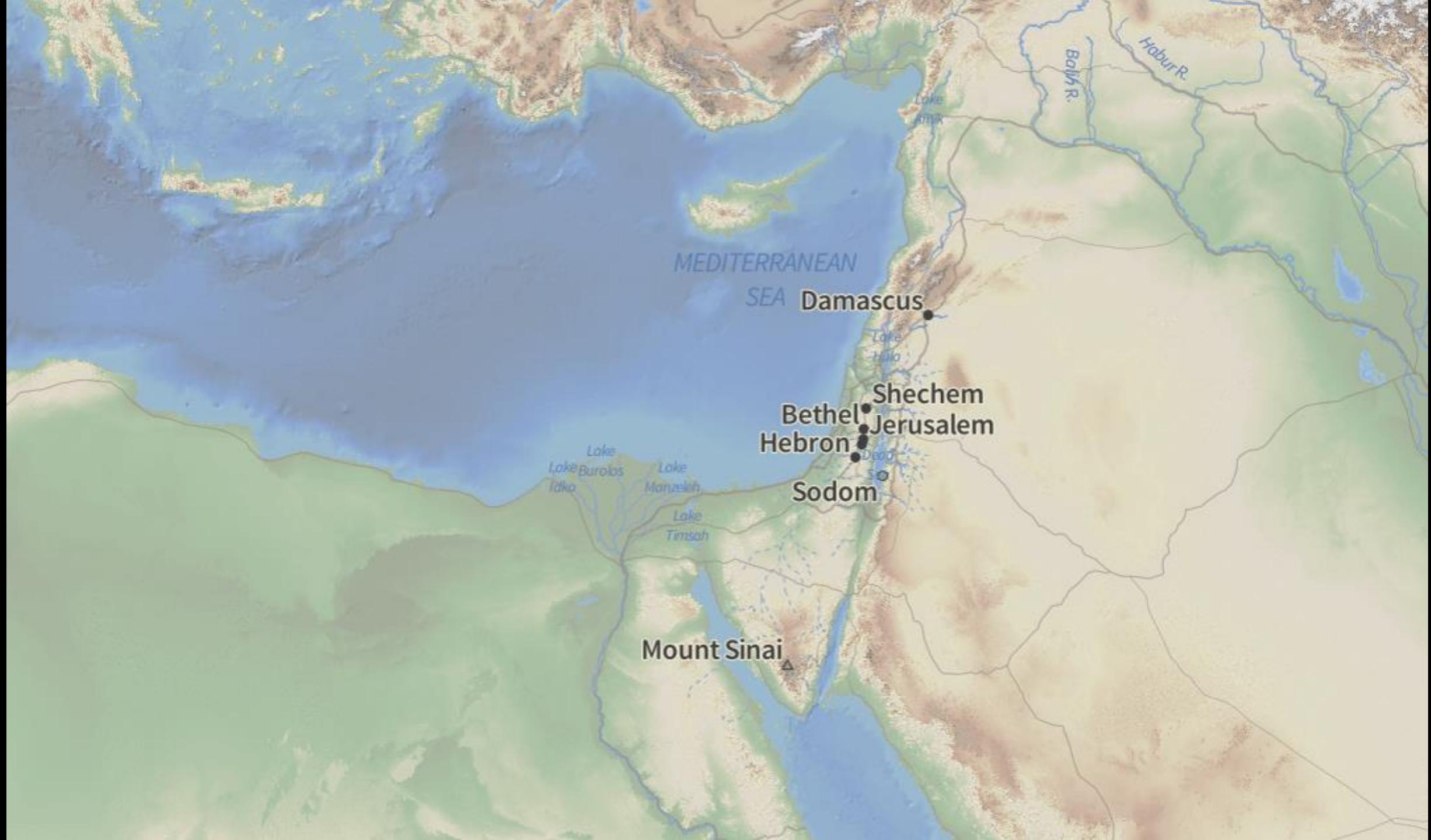




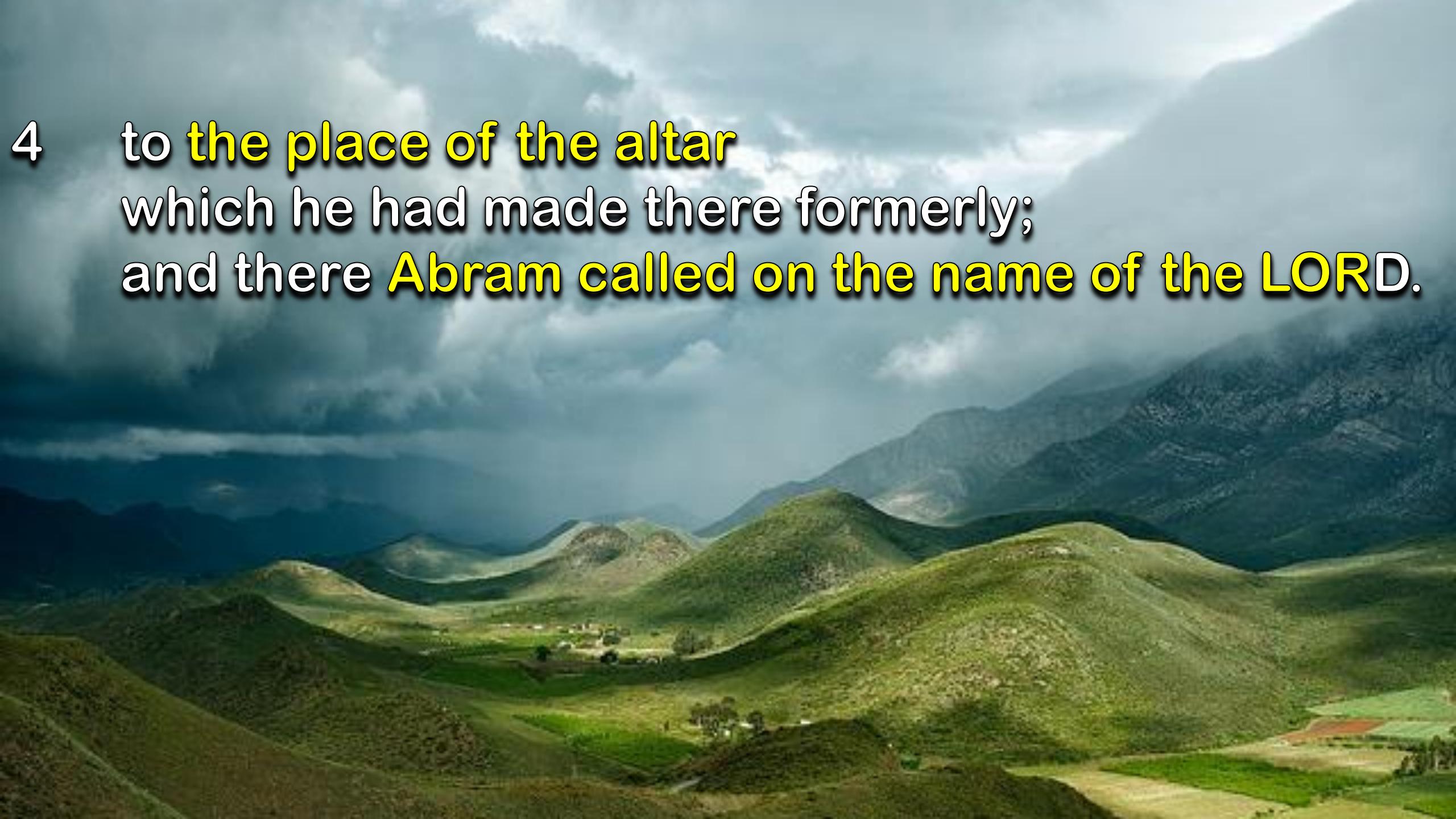
**“The Family That Followed God” Pt.3**  
**Genesis 13 –**  
**A Family Divided**

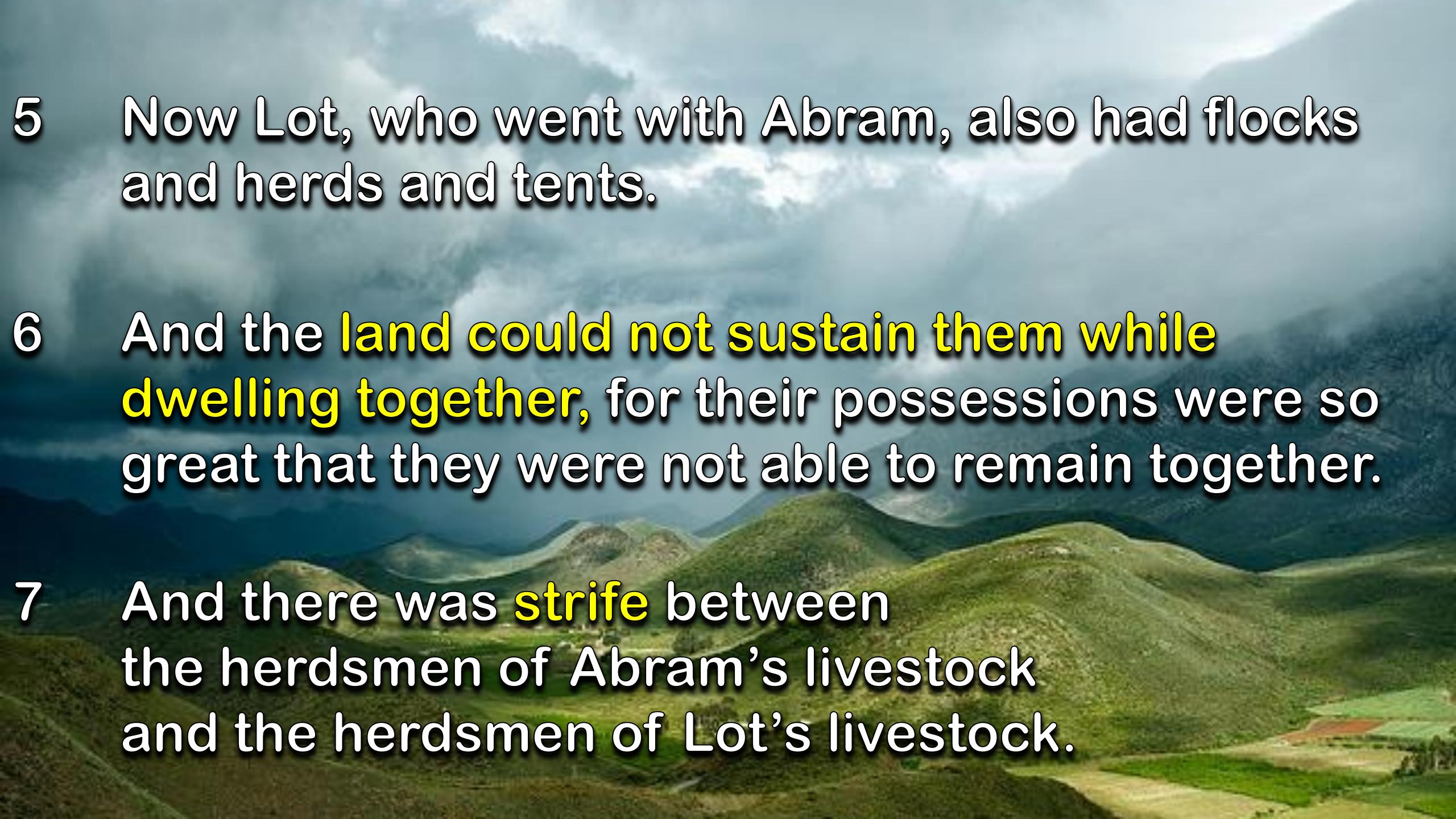


## Genesis 13:1-18 NASB A Family Divided

- 1 So Abram went up from Egypt to the Negev, he and his wife and all that belonged to him, and Lot with him.
- 2 Now Abram was very rich in livestock, in silver and in gold.
- 3 He went on his journeys from the Negev as far as Bethel, to the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel & Ai,

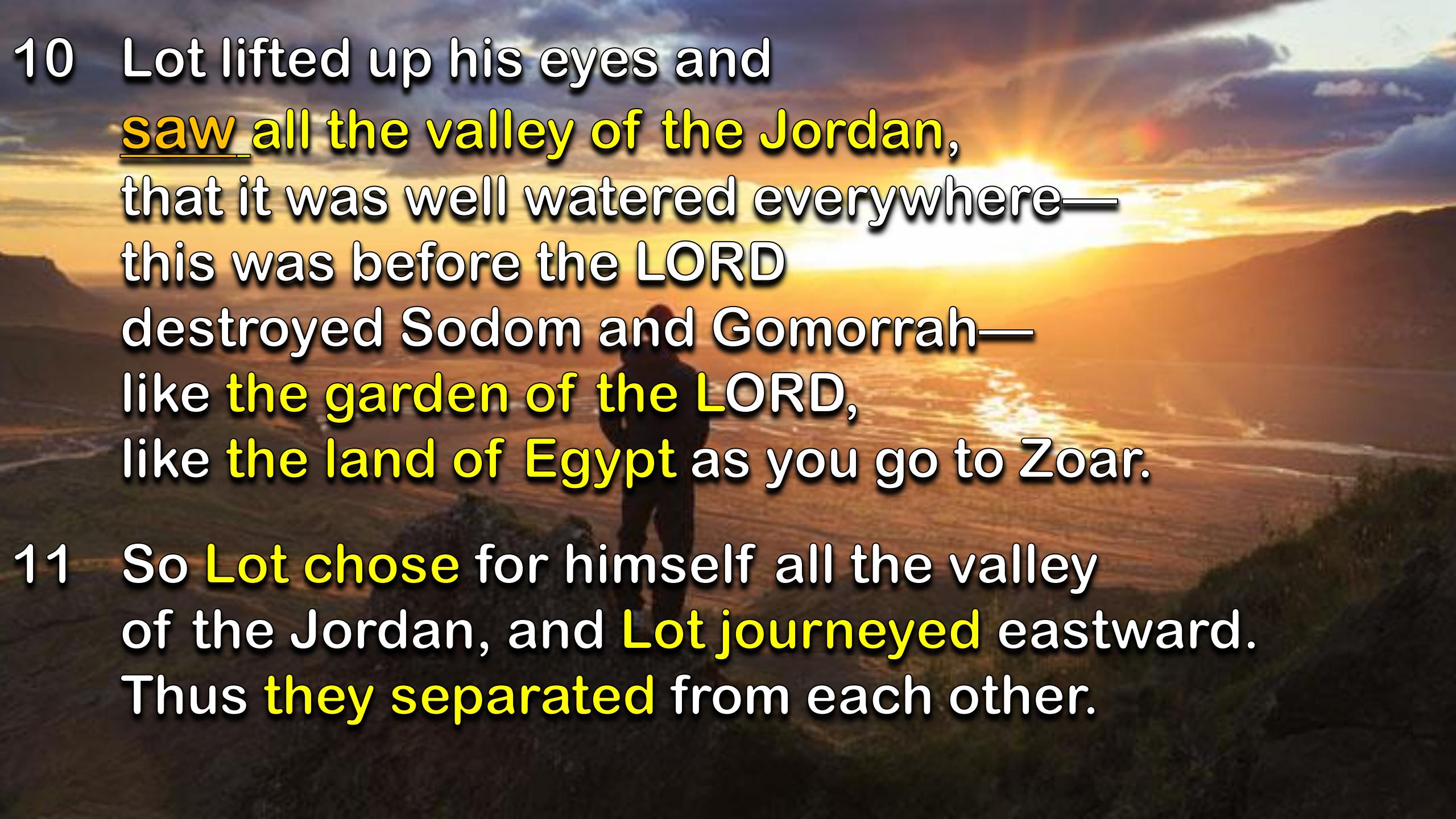
4 to the place of the altar  
which he had made there formerly;  
and there Abram called on the name of the LORD.

A wide-angle photograph of a rural landscape. In the foreground, there are several green, rounded hills. A small cluster of buildings is visible on one of the hills. The middle ground shows more hills and a valley. In the background, there are larger, more rugged mountains. The sky is filled with heavy, grey clouds, suggesting an overcast day.

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- 5 Now Lot, who went with Abram, also had flocks and herds and tents.
- 6 And the land could not sustain them while dwelling together, for their possessions were so great that they were not able to remain together.
- 7 And there was strife between the herdsmen of Abram's livestock and the herdsmen of Lot's livestock.

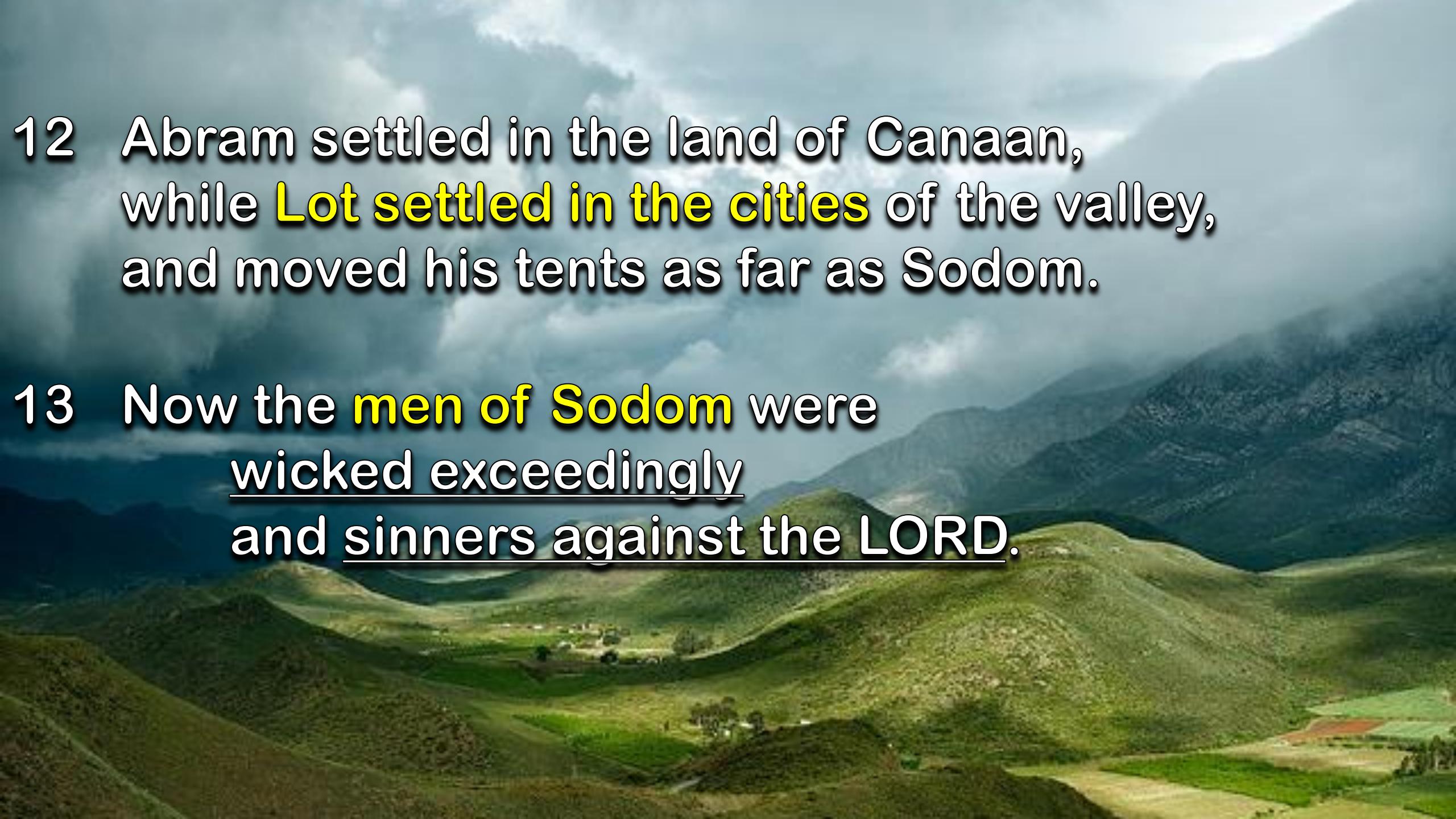
Now the **Canaanite** and the **Perizzite**  
were dwelling then in the land.

- 8 So Abram said to Lot,  
“Please let there be no strife between you & me,  
nor between my herdsmen and your herdsmen,  
for we are brothers.
- 9 Is not the whole land before you?  
Please separate from me;  
if to the left, then I will go to the right;  
or if to the right, then I will go to the left.”



10 Lot lifted up his eyes and  
saw all the valley of the Jordan,  
that it was well watered everywhere—  
this was before the LORD  
destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah—  
like the garden of the LORD,  
like the land of Egypt as you go to Zoar.

11 So Lot chose for himself all the valley  
of the Jordan, and Lot journeyed eastward.  
Thus they separated from each other.

A wide-angle photograph of a rural landscape. In the foreground, there are several green, rolling hills. A small, isolated cluster of buildings is visible on one of the hills. The middle ground shows more hills and fields. In the background, there are larger, more rugged mountains partially obscured by a layer of clouds or mist. The overall scene is peaceful and pastoral.

12 Abram settled in the land of Canaan,  
while **Lot settled in the cities** of the valley,  
and moved his tents as far as Sodom.

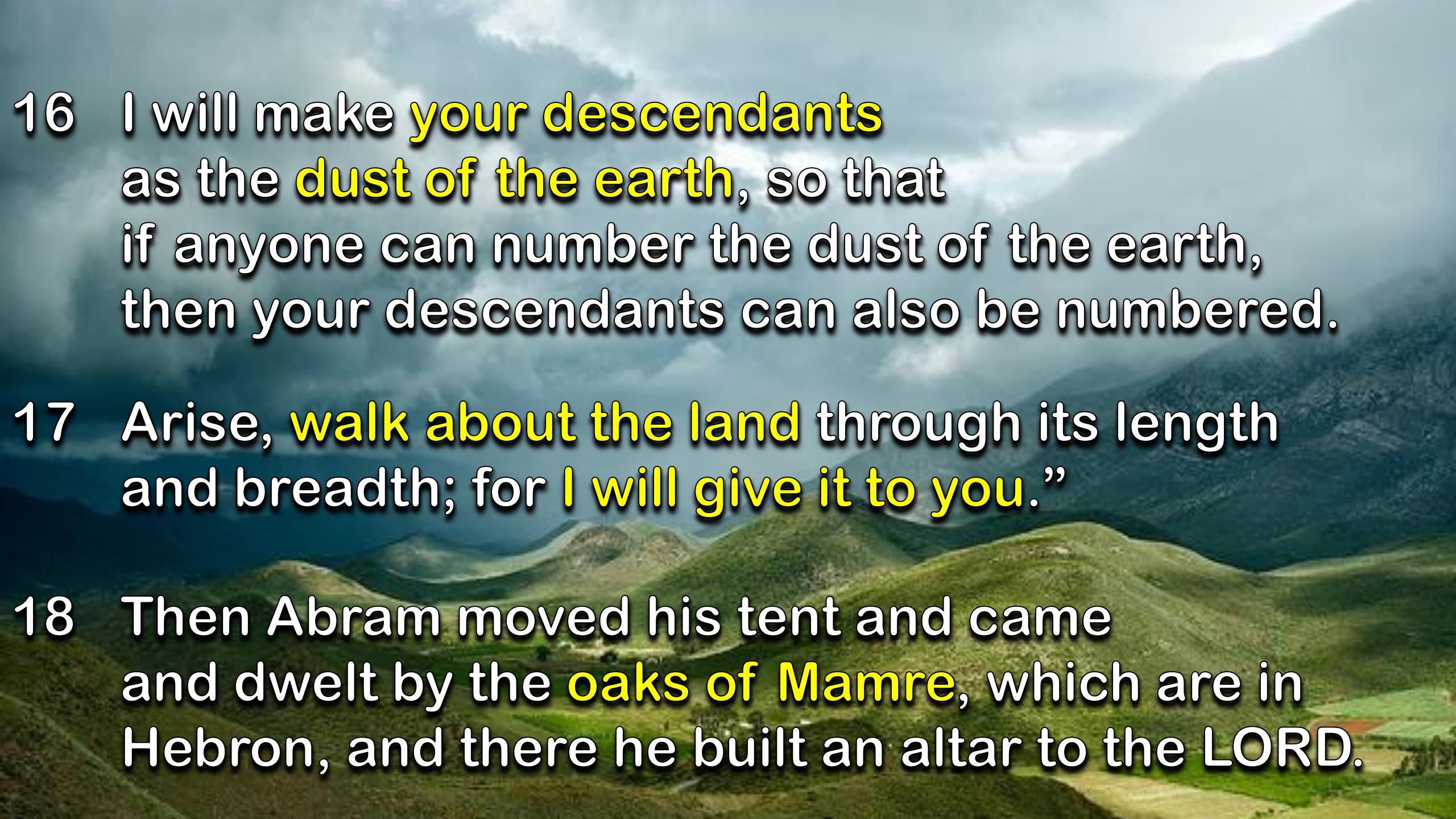
13 Now the **men of Sodom** were  
wicked exceedingly  
and sinners against the LORD.

14 The LORD said to Abram,  
after Lot had separated from him,

na = “Please”

“Now lift up your eyes and look from the place  
where you are, northward and southward  
and eastward and westward;

15 for all the land which you see,  
I will give it to you and to your descendants  
forever.



16 I will make **your descendants**  
as the **dust of the earth**, so that  
if anyone can number the dust of the earth,  
then your descendants can also be numbered.

17 Arise, **walk about the land** through its length  
and breadth; for **I will give it to you.**"

18 Then Abram moved his tent and came  
and dwelt by the **oaks of Mamre**, which are in  
Hebron, and there he built an altar to the LORD.

Ἄνδρα μοι ἔννεπε, Μοῦσα, πολύτροπον, ὃς μάλα ποτὲ  
πλάγχθη, ἐπεὶ Τροίης ἱερὸν πτολίευθρον ἔπερσε·  
πολλῶν δ' ἀνθρώπων ἦδεν ἄστεα καὶ νόσους ἔγνω,  
πολλὰ δ' ὅ γ' ἐν πόντῳ πάθεν ἀλγεα διν κατὰ θυμόν,  
έμενος τὴν τε φυγὴν καὶ νόστον ἔταίρων.

εὺδ' ὃς ἔτάρους ἐρρύσατο, οἴμενός περ·  
γάρ σφετέρησιν ἀτασθαλίησιν δίλοντο,  
οἱ λαοί, οἱ τὰ βοῦς Ὑπερίονος Ἡελίοιο  
τελεῖον· εὔρετε δὲ τοῖσιν ἀφείκετο νόστιμον ἥμαρ.

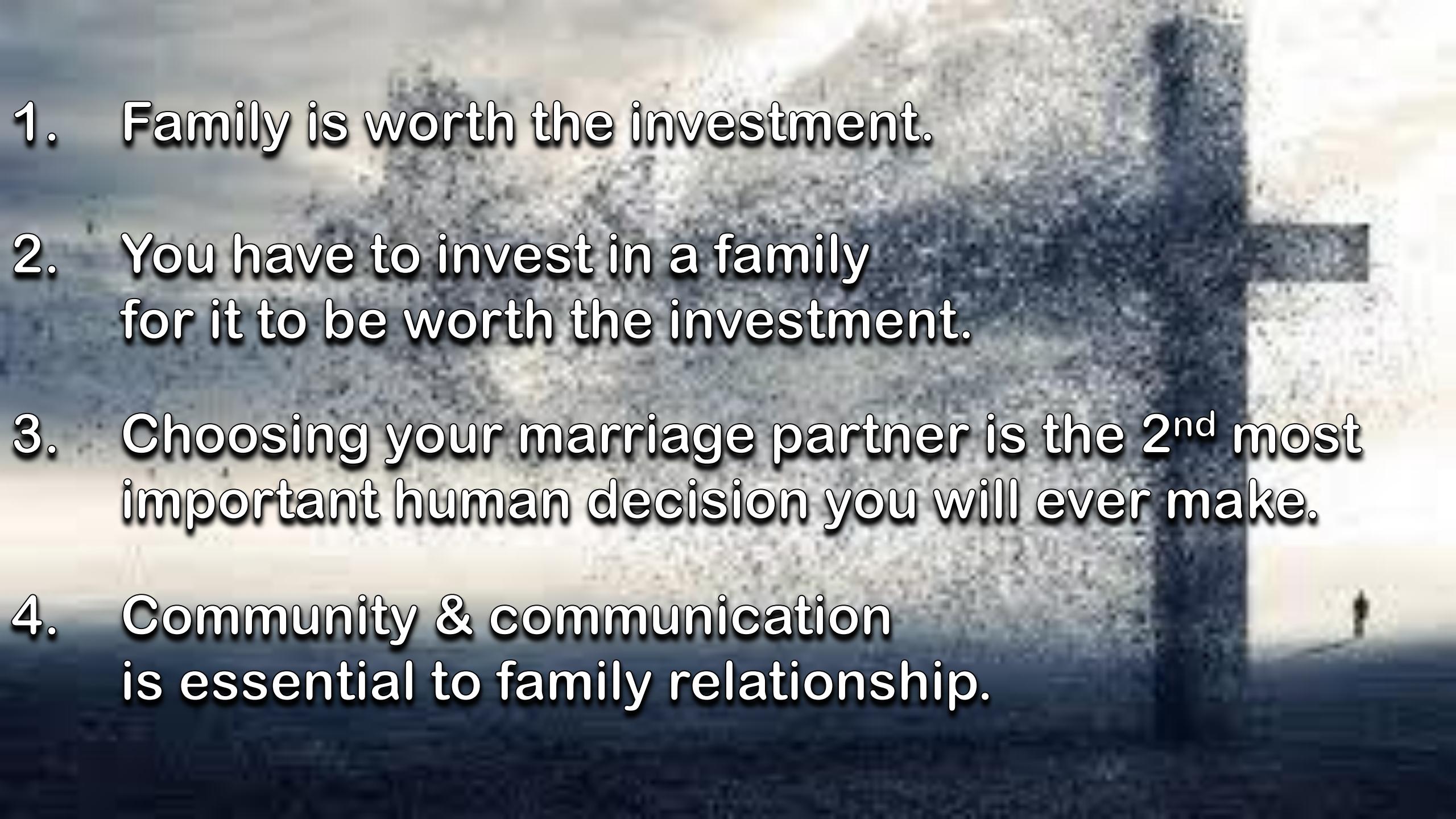


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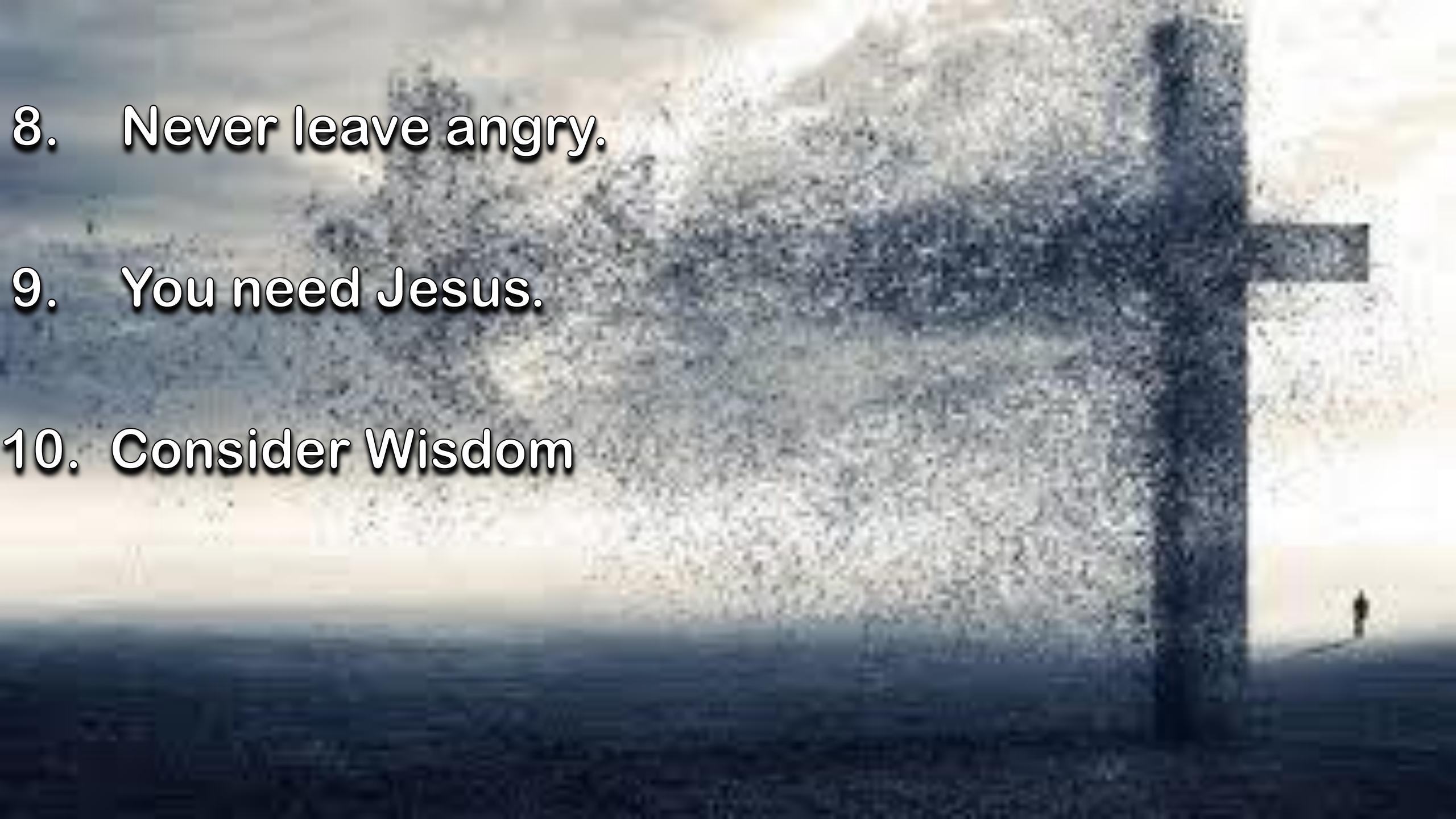
25 Jesus knew their thoughts and replied,  
“Any kingdom divided by civil war is doomed.  
A town or family splintered by feuding will fall apart.

Psalm 133:1

“How good and pleasant it is  
when God’s people live together in unity!”

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- A photograph of a person walking along a sandy beach at sunset or sunrise. The sky is filled with warm, orange and yellow hues, transitioning into cooler blues and purples. The ocean waves are visible in the background, and the overall atmosphere is peaceful and contemplative.
1. Family is worth the investment.
  2. You have to invest in a family for it to be worth the investment.
  3. Choosing your marriage partner is the 2<sup>nd</sup> most important human decision you will ever make.
  4. Community & communication is essential to family relationship.

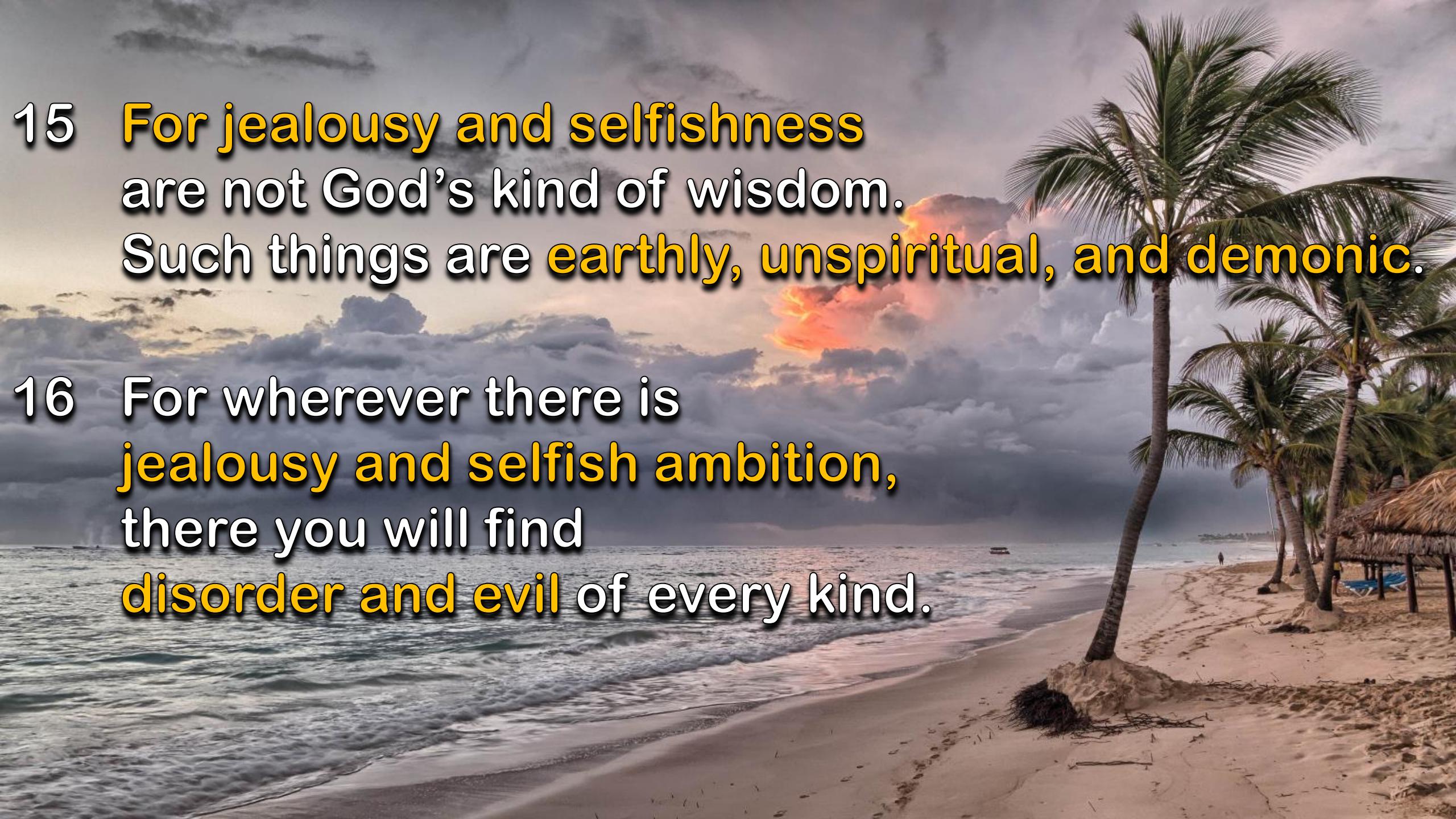
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5. Most family fights are over stupid things that don't matter.
  6. Most arguments are resolved when both are more concerned with being in a relationship than with being right.
  7. Kids are awesome, but they stress your family.

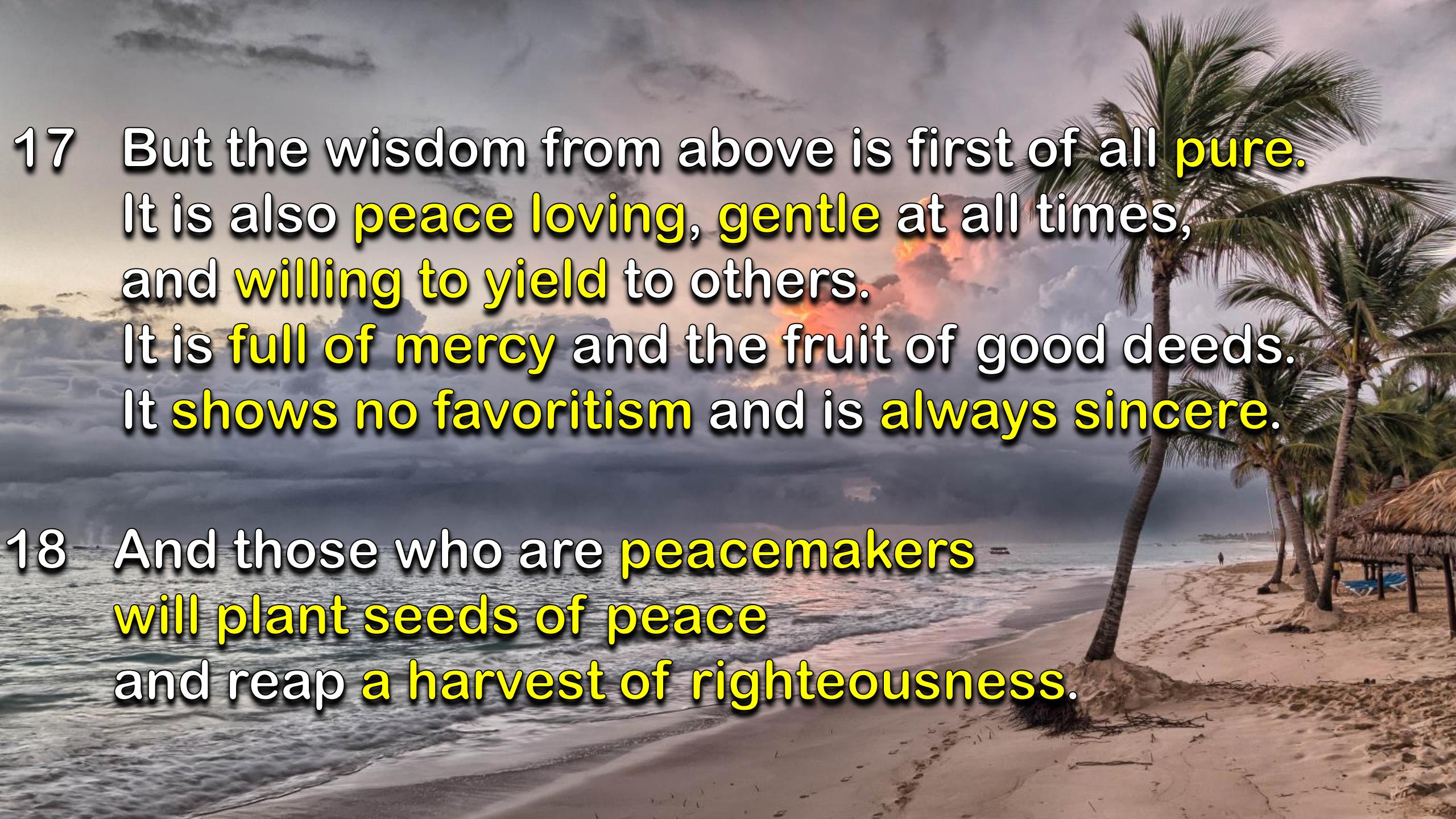
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- A photograph of a person walking along a sandy beach towards the horizon at sunset. The sky is filled with warm, orange and yellow hues. A dark silhouette of a cross is positioned in the upper right corner of the image, partially overlapping the sky. The ocean waves are visible in the foreground.
8. Never leave angry.
  9. You need Jesus.
  10. Consider Wisdom

James 3:13 -18 NLT

## True Wisdom Comes from God

- 13 If you are wise and understand God's ways,  
prove it by living an **honorable** life,  
**doing good works** with the humility  
that comes from wisdom.
- 14 But if you are bitterly jealous  
and there is **selfish ambition** in your heart,  
don't cover up the truth with **boasting** and lying.

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- A wide-angle photograph of a tropical beach at sunset. The sky is filled with dramatic, orange and red clouds. The ocean waves are crashing onto the light-colored sand. Several tall palm trees stand on the right side of the frame, their fronds swaying slightly. In the distance, a small boat is visible on the water.
- 15 For jealousy and selfishness  
are not God's kind of wisdom.  
Such things are earthly, unspiritual, and demonic.
- 16 For wherever there is  
jealousy and selfish ambition,  
there you will find  
disorder and evil of every kind.

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- A scenic tropical beach at sunset. The sky is filled with dramatic, colorful clouds in shades of orange, yellow, and blue. Several tall palm trees stand on the sandy beach, their fronds swaying slightly. In the background, a thatched-roof hut is visible near the water's edge. The ocean waves gently wash onto the shore.
- 17 But the wisdom from above is first of all **pure**.  
It is also **peace loving**, gentle at all times,  
and **willing to yield** to others.  
It is **full of mercy** and the fruit of good deeds.  
It **shows no favoritism** and is **always sincere**.
- 18 And those who are **peacemakers**  
**will plant seeds of peace**  
and reap a **harvest of righteousness**.