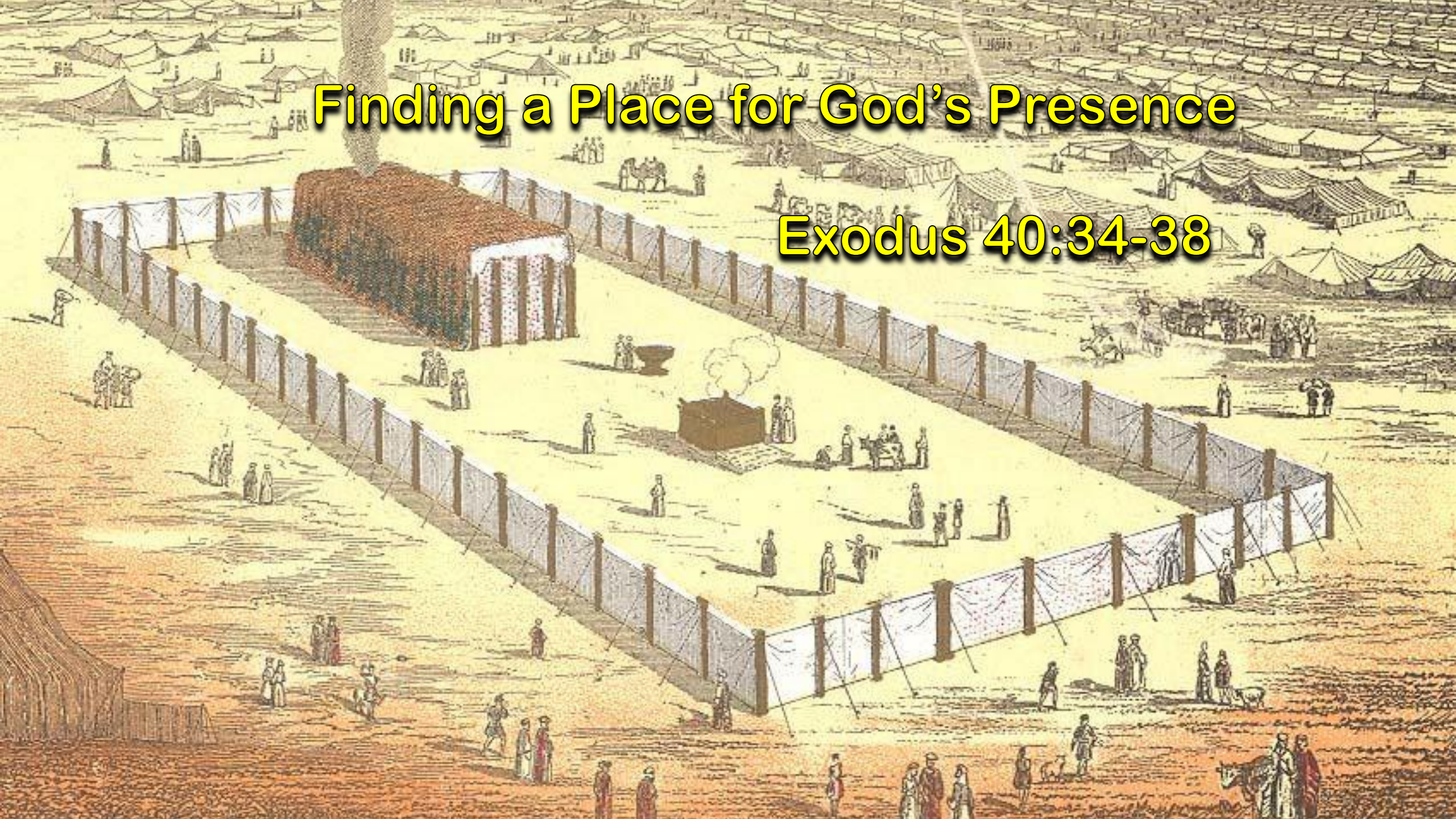
A scenic landscape featuring rolling mountains, evergreen trees, and a sunset sky with warm orange and red tones. The text is overlaid on this background.

How do we ever overcome the besetting sins of our lives, over which we can never seem to get the Victory that we desperately need?

The Answer is quite simple:
“Start Living with God”

Finding a Place for God's Presence

Exodus 40:34-38





God Tabernacles Among His People

The background is a dark, textured field of glowing, ethereal lines and shapes in shades of orange, yellow, and red. These elements resemble wisps of smoke, flames, or perhaps the intricate patterns of a tapestry, creating a sense of dynamic energy and light. The overall effect is reminiscent of a divine presence or a powerful natural force.

Exodus 40:34-38 NLT

The LORD's Glory Fills the Tabernacle




34 Then the cloud covered the Tabernacle,
and the Glory of the LORD filled the Tabernacle.

35 Moses could no longer enter the Tabernacle
because the cloud had settled down over it,
and the Glory of the LORD filled the Tabernacle.



36 Now whenever the cloud lifted from the Tabernacle, the people of Israel would set out on their journey, following it.

37 But if the cloud did not rise, they remained where they were until it lifted.



38 The cloud of the LORD hovered over the Tabernacle during the day, and at night fire glowed inside the cloud so the whole family of Israel could see it. This continued throughout all their journeys.

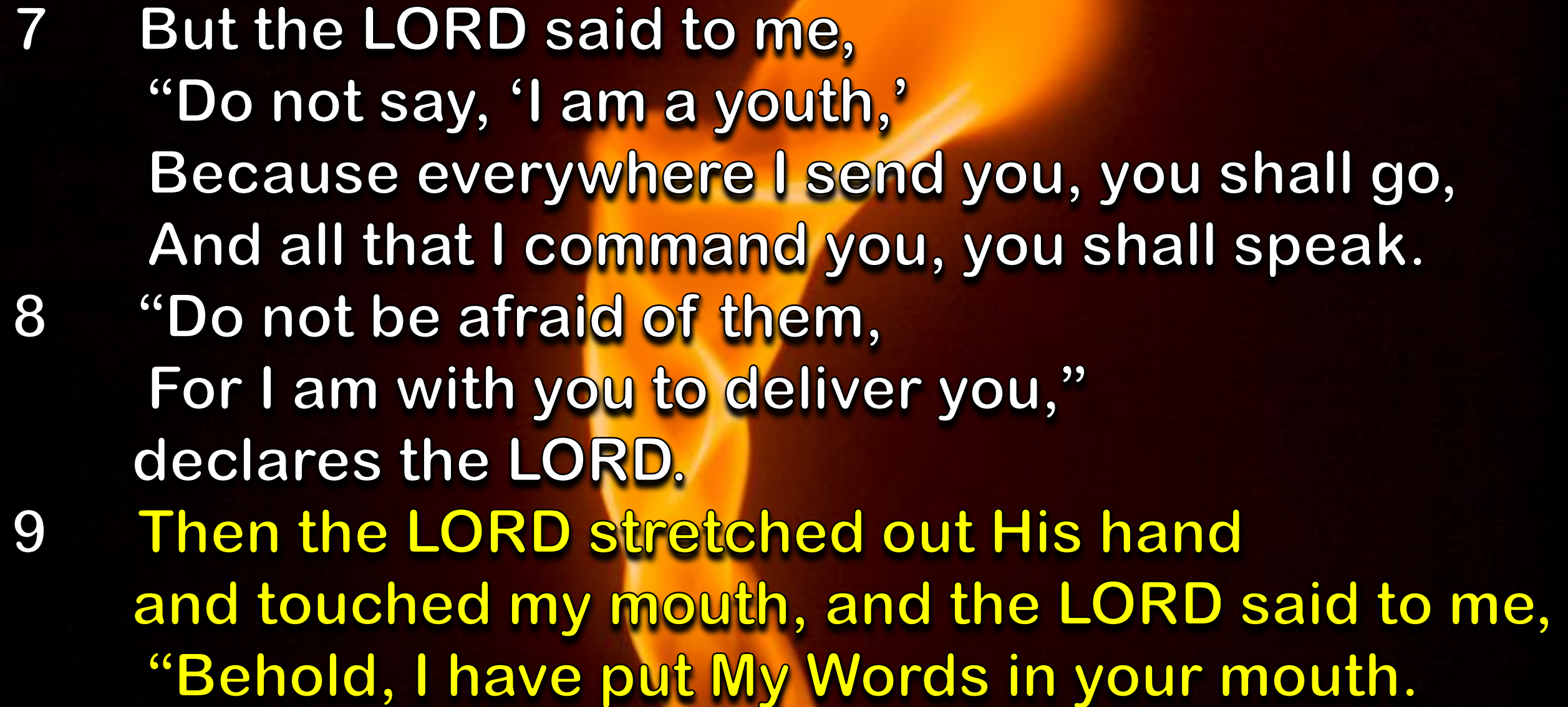
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to be with their Holy God.

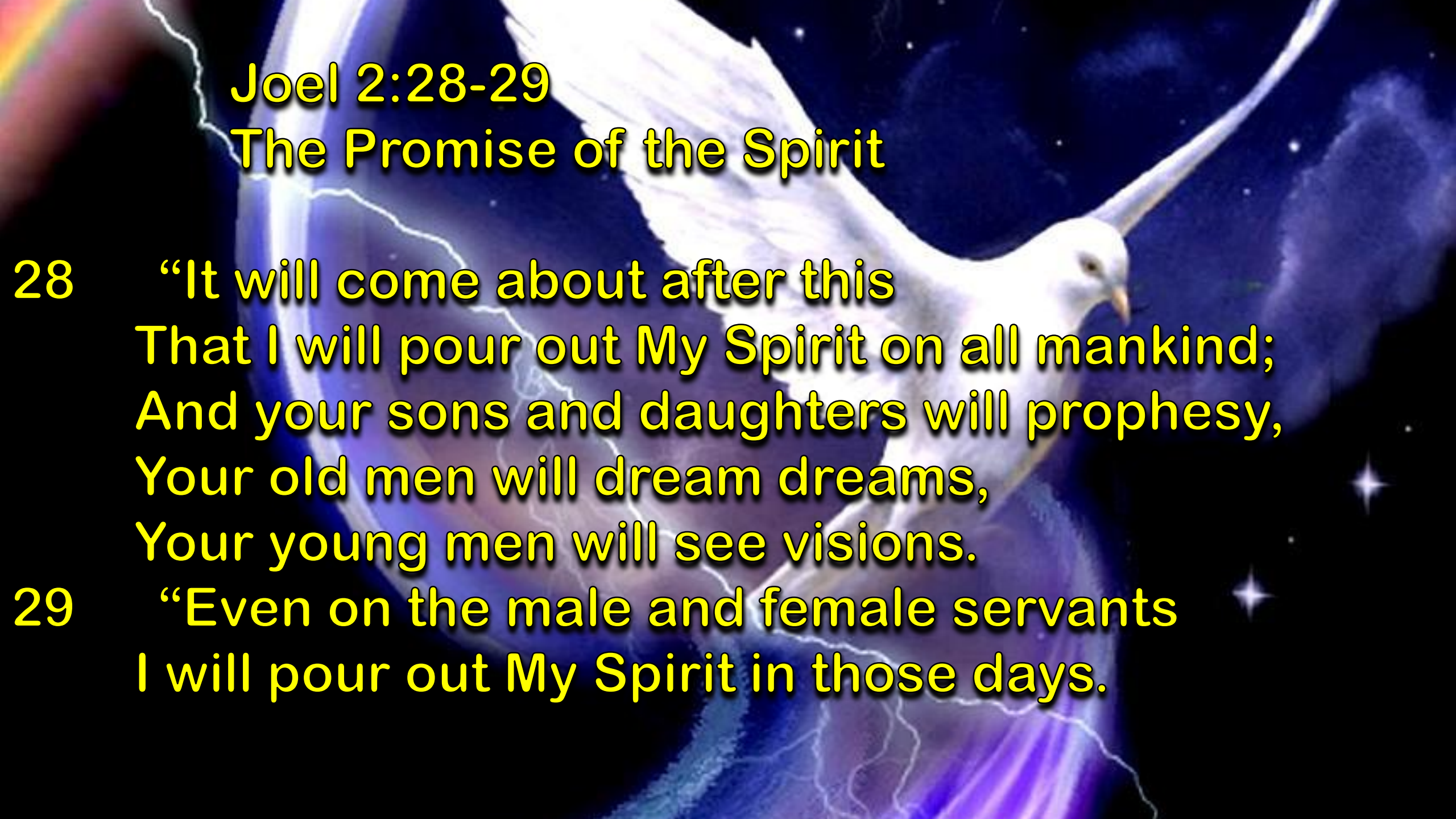
They knew the freedom and gratitude
that came from a heart changed by God's grace.
Their giving was
a response to God's goodness and favor,
not an attempt to earn it.

The Prophets: “Thus Saith the Lord...”

Jeremiah 1:5-9

- 5 “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
And before you were born I consecrated you;
I have appointed you a prophet to the nations.”
- 6 Then I said, “Alas, Lord GOD!
Behold, I do not know how to speak,
Because I am a youth.”

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- 7 But the LORD said to me,
“Do not say, ‘I am a youth,’
Because everywhere I send you, you shall go,
And all that I command you, you shall speak.
- 8 “Do not be afraid of them,
For I am with you to deliver you,”
declares the LORD.
- 9 Then the LORD stretched out His hand
and touched my mouth, and the LORD said to me,
“Behold, I have put My Words in your mouth.



Joel 2:28-29

The Promise of the Spirit

- 28 “It will come about after this
That I will pour out My Spirit on all mankind;
And your sons and daughters will prophesy,
Your old men will dream dreams,
Your young men will see visions.
- 29 “Even on the male and female servants
I will pour out My Spirit in those days.

God Provides the Resources Necessary for the Holy Spirit to dwell in us.

John 1:9-14 NLT

- 9 The One who is the True Light,
Who gives light to everyone,
was coming into the world.
- 10 He came into the very world He created,
but the world didn't recognize Him.
- 11 He came to His own people,
and even they rejected Him.

- 12 But to all who believed Him and accepted Him,
He gave the right to become children of God.
- 13 **They are reborn**—not with a physical birth
resulting from human passion or plan,
but **a birth that comes from God**.
- 14 So the Word became human
and made His home among us.
He was full of **unfailing love and faithfulness**.
And we have seen His Glory,
the Glory of the Father's one and only Son.

God graciously looks for us & draws us to Himself

Acts 4:29-31 NLT

- 29 And now, O Lord, hear their threats, and **give us**, Your servants, **great boldness in preaching Your Word.**
- 30 Stretch out Your hand with **healing power**; may **miraculous signs and wonders** be done through the name of Your Holy Servant Jesus.”
- 31 **After this prayer**, the meeting place shook, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit. Then they preached the Word of God with boldness.

Acts 13:52 NLT

**52 And the believers were filled
with joy and with the Holy Spirit.**

**God Graciously fills
the Tabernacle of our Lives with His Spirit**

God Is Omnipresent:

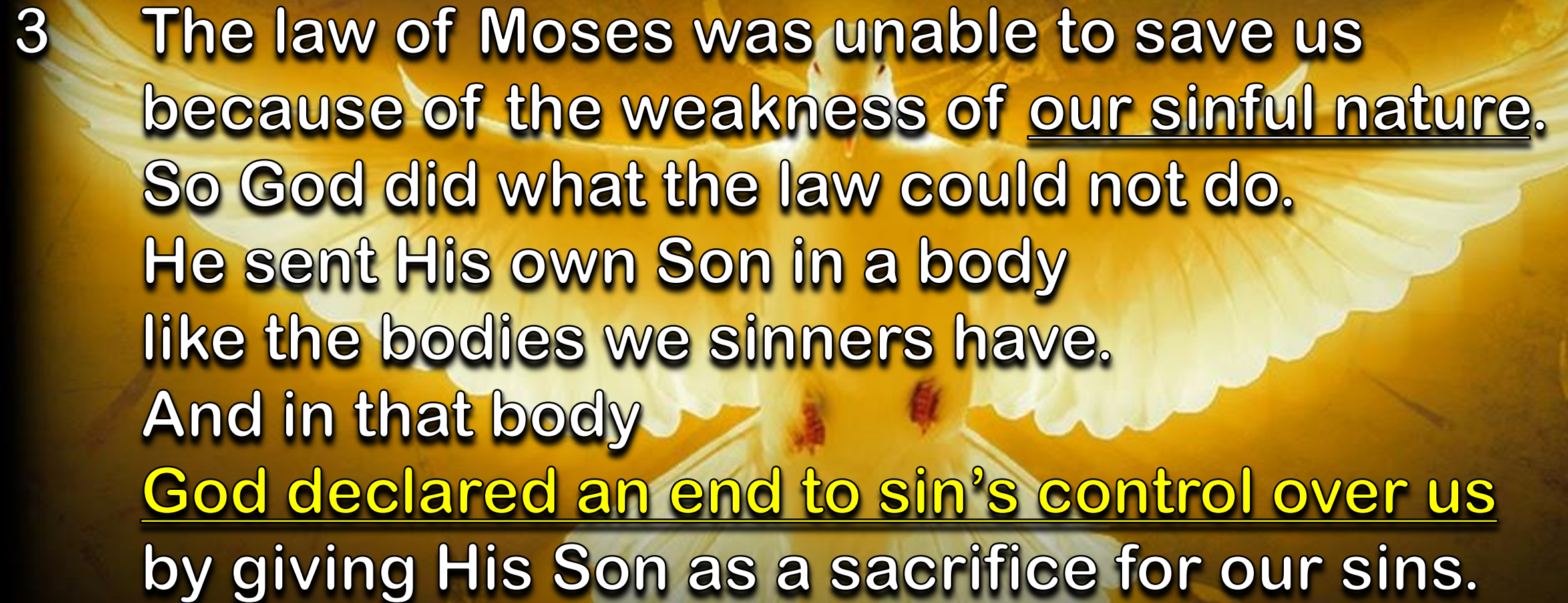
God's omnipresence refers to His presence in all time and all places simultaneously.

Because God exists apart from and outside of time and space, He is not limited by their constraints.

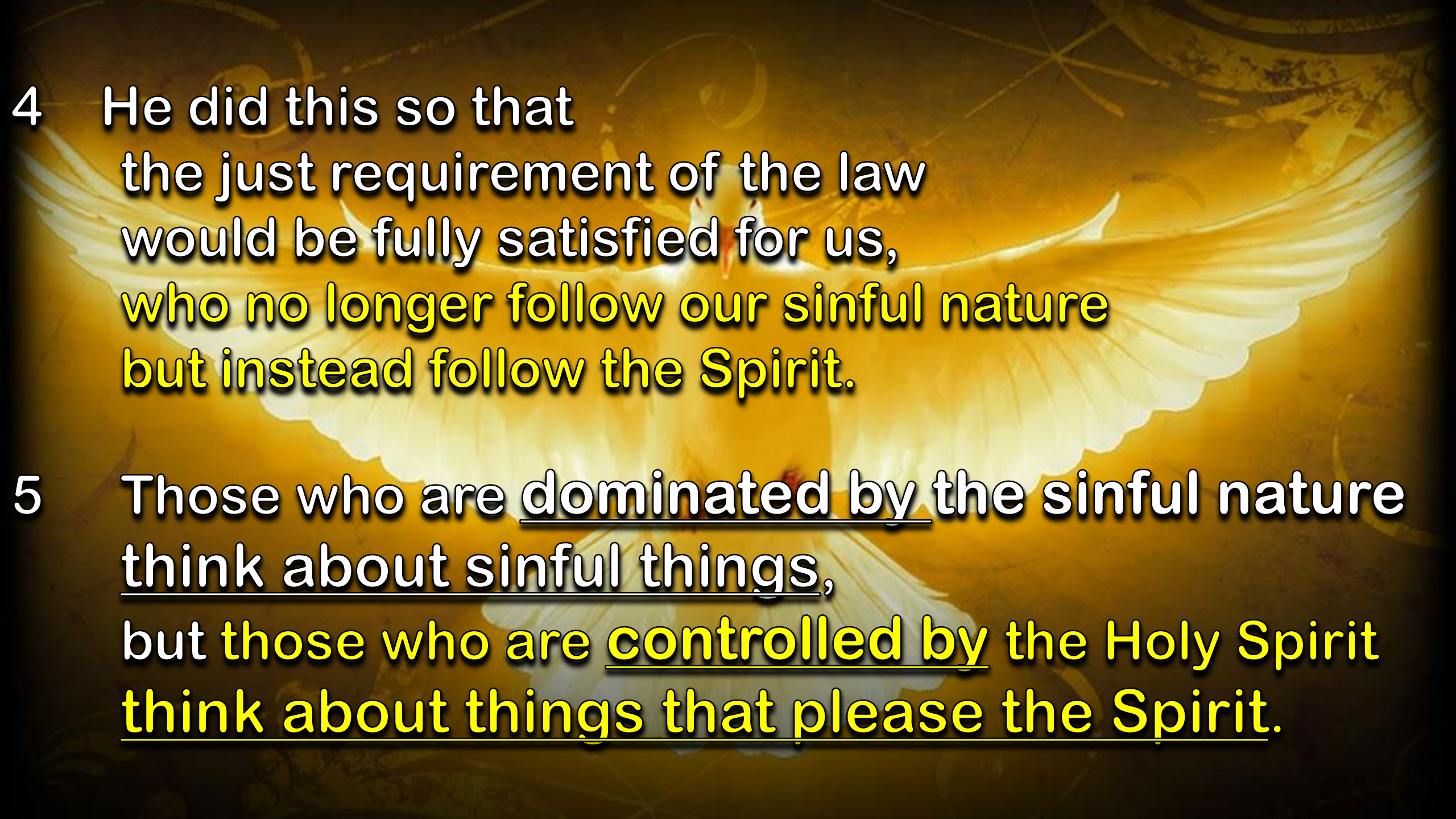


Romans 8:1-17 ^{NLT} Life in the Spirit

- 1 So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus.
- 2 And because you belong to Him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death.

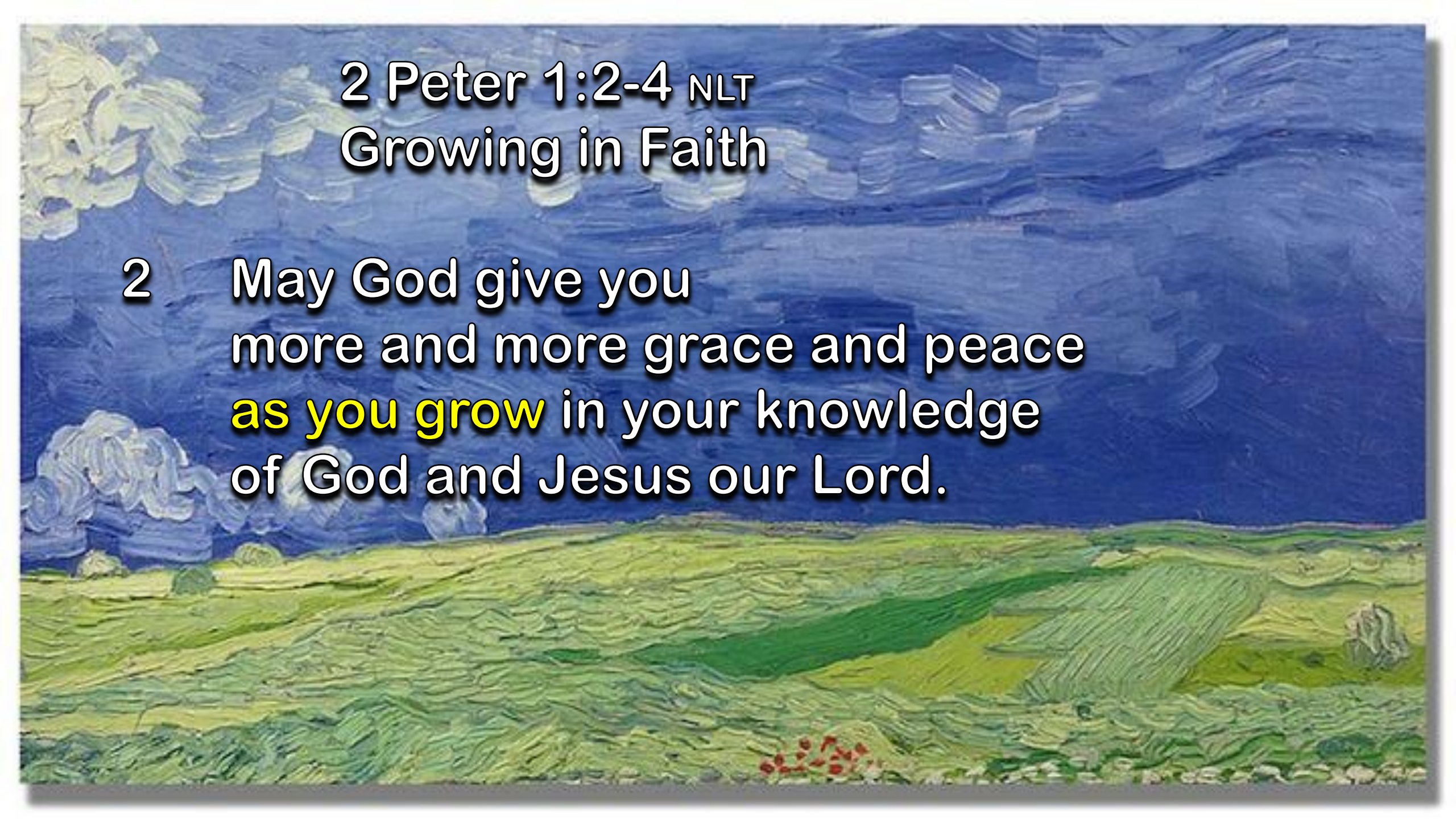


3 The law of Moses was unable to save us because of the weakness of our sinful nature. So God did what the law could not do. He sent His own Son in a body like the bodies we sinners have. And in that body God declared an end to sin's control over us by giving His Son as a sacrifice for our sins.



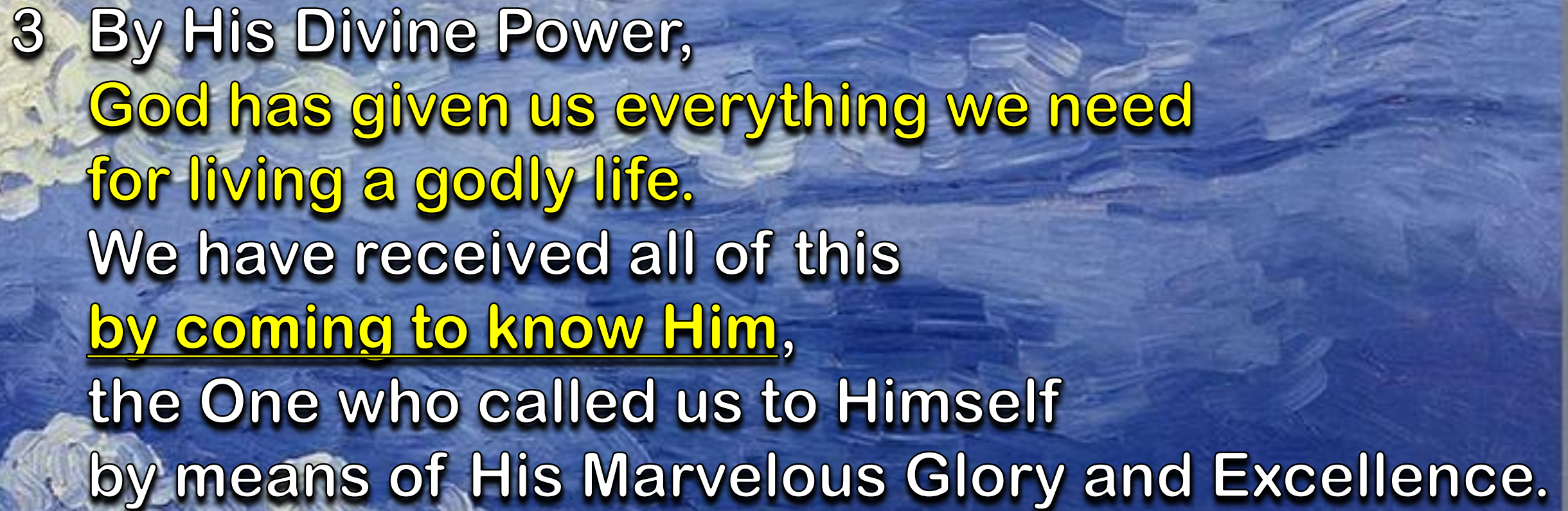
4 He did this so that
the just requirement of the law
would be fully satisfied for us,
who no longer follow our sinful nature
but instead follow the Spirit.

5 Those who are dominated by the sinful nature
think about sinful things,
but those who are controlled by the Holy Spirit
think about things that please the Spirit.

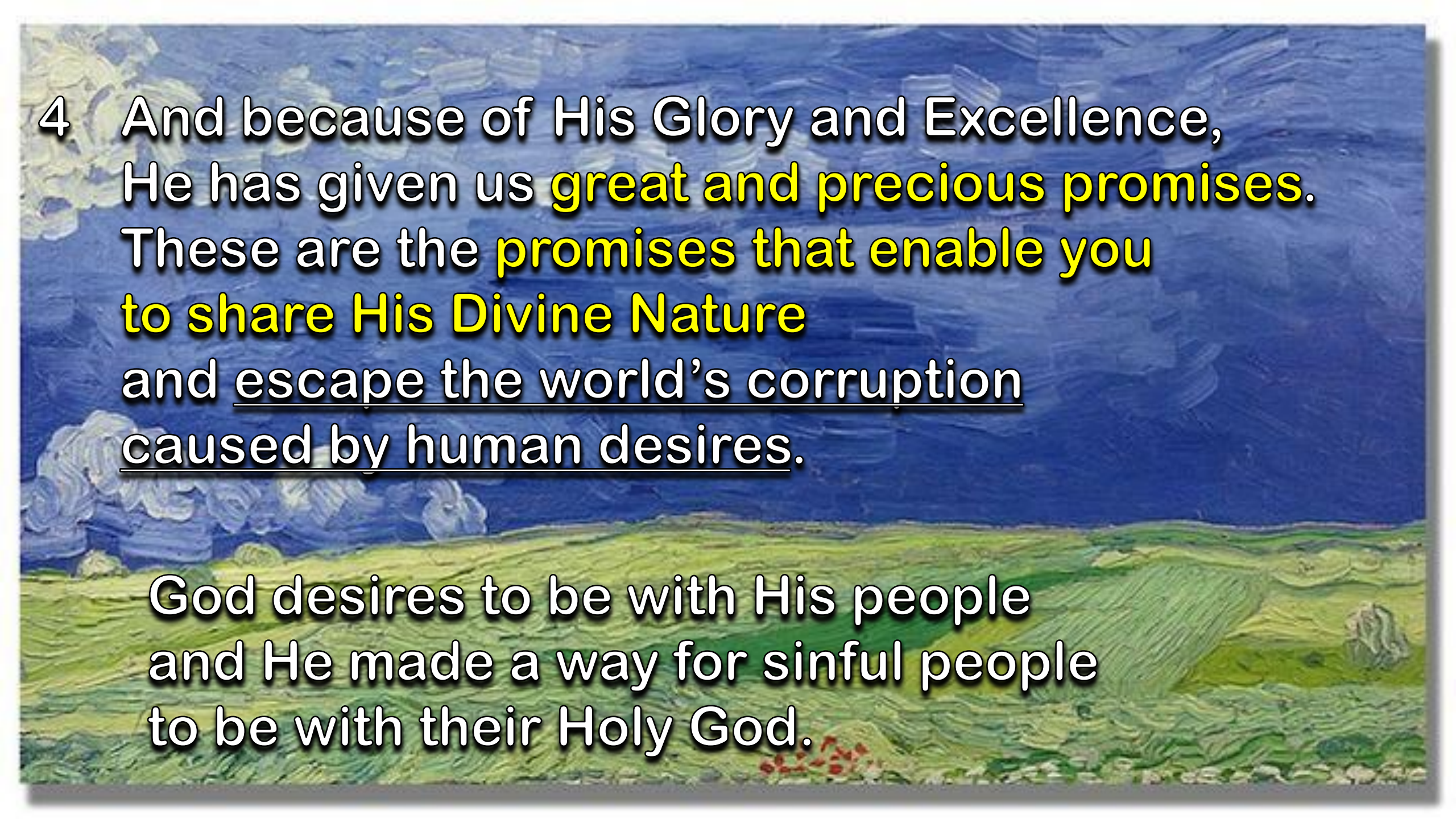
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2 Peter 1:2-4 NLT
Growing in Faith

2 May God give you
more and more grace and peace
as you grow in your knowledge
of God and Jesus our Lord.

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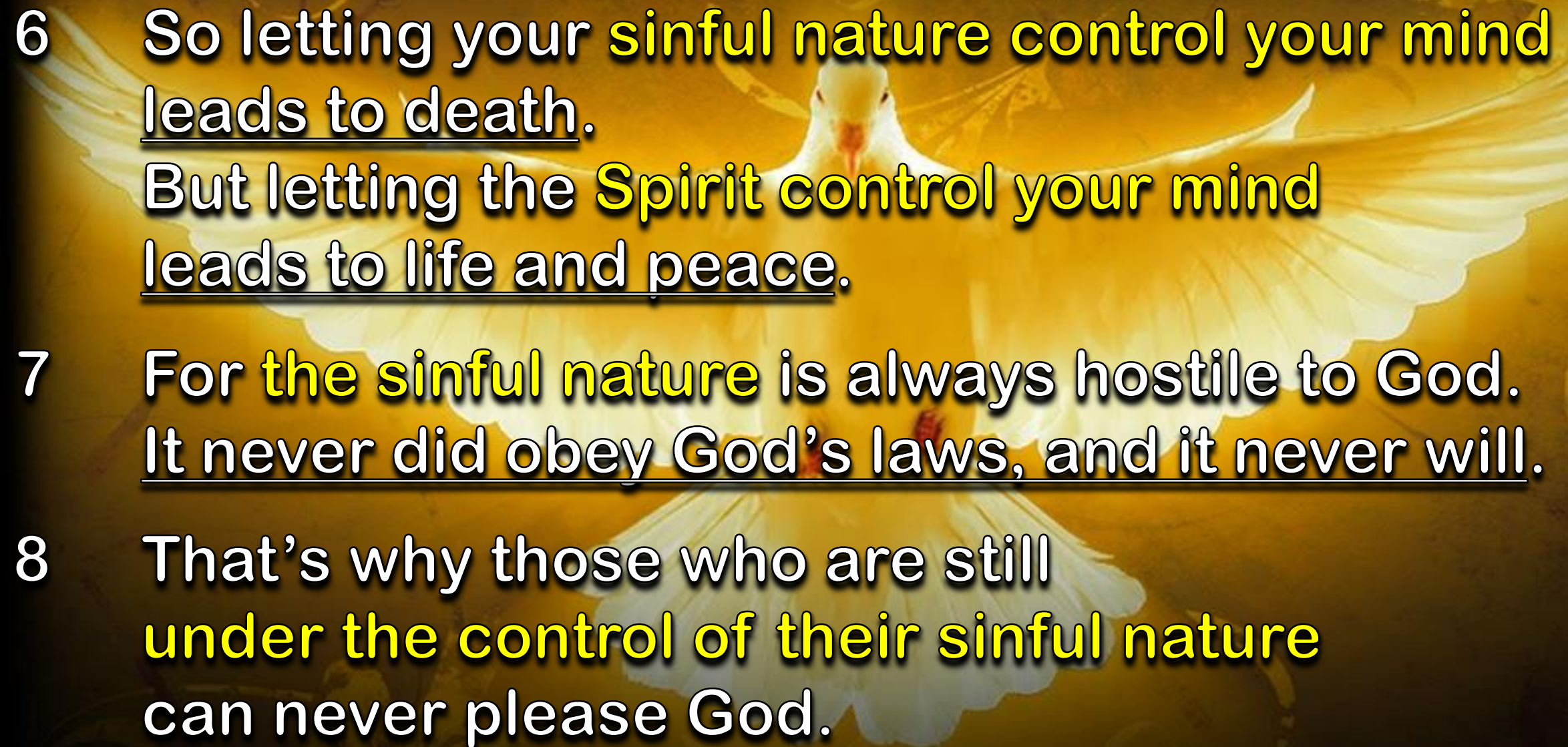
3 By His Divine Power,
God has given us everything we need
for living a godly life.
We have received all of this
by coming to know Him,
the One who called us to Himself
by means of His Marvelous Glory and Excellence.

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4 And because of His Glory and Excellence,
He has given us **great and precious promises.**
These are the **promises that enable you**
to share His Divine Nature
and escape the world's corruption
caused by human desires.

God desires to be with His people
and He made a way for sinful people
to be with their Holy God.

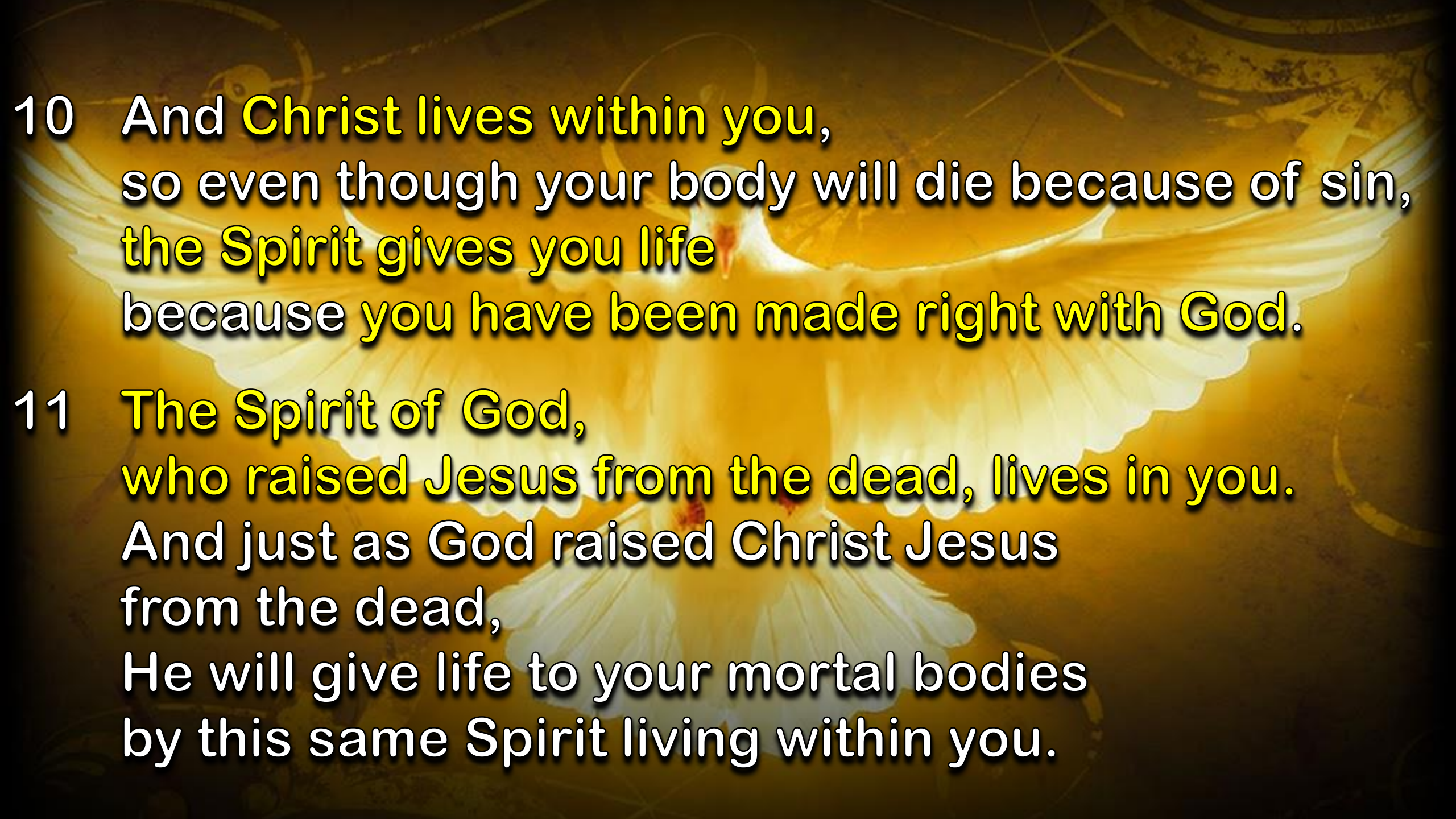
Romans 8:6-17 NLT

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- 6 So letting your **sinful nature control your mind** leads to death.
But letting the **Spirit control your mind** leads to life and peace.
- 7 For **the sinful nature** is always hostile to God. It never did obey God's laws, and it never will.
- 8 That's why those who are still **under the control of their sinful nature** can never please God.



9 But you are not controlled by your sinful nature.
You are controlled by the Spirit
if you have the Spirit of God living in you.

(And remember that those who do not have
the Spirit of Christ living in them
do not belong to Him at all.)



10 And **Christ lives within you**,
so even though your body will die because of sin,
the Spirit gives you life
because you have been made right with God.

11 **The Spirit of God**,
who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you.
And just as God raised Christ Jesus
from the dead,
He will give life to your mortal bodies
by this same Spirit living within you.



12 Therefore, dear brothers and sisters,
you have no obligation
to do what your sinful nature urges you to do.

13 **For if** you live by its dictates, you will die.
But if through the Power of the Spirit
you put to death the deeds of your sinful nature,
you will live.



14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God
are children of God.

15 So you have not received a spirit
that makes you fearful slaves.
Instead, you received God's Spirit
when He adopted you as His own children.
Now we call Him, "Abba, Father."




16 For His Spirit joins with our spirit
to affirm that we are God's children.

17 And since we are His children,
we are His heirs.

In fact, together with Christ
we are heirs of God's Glory.

But if we are to share His Glory,
we must also share His suffering.

A person is seen from behind, standing in a vast field of yellow wildflowers. Their arms are raised high in the air, reaching towards a bright, hazy sky. The scene is bathed in warm, golden light, suggesting a sunrise or sunset. The overall mood is one of joy, freedom, and spiritual connection.

You are **the Temple of the Holy Spirit**
in this World!

The Holy Spirit indwells the church,
both individually and corporately.

This indwelling work of the Spirit
equips individual members of the church
with gifts for the work of the ministry.

Revelation 21:1-7 NLT

- 1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the old heaven and the old earth had disappeared. And the sea was also gone.
- 2 And I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of Heaven like a bride beautifully dressed for her husband.

3 I heard a loud shout from the throne, saying,
“Look, **God’s home is now among His people!**
He will live with them, and they will be His people.
God Himself will be with them.

4 He will wipe every tear from their eyes,
and there will be no more death or sorrow
or crying or pain.
All these things are gone forever.”

5 And the one sitting on the throne said,
“Look, I am making everything new!”

And then He said to me,
“Write this down, for what I tell you
is trustworthy and true.”

6 And He also said, “It is finished!
I am the Alpha and the Omega—
the Beginning and the End.



To all who are thirsty I will give freely
from the springs of the water of life.

7 All who are victorious
will inherit all these blessings,
and I will be their God,
and they will be My children.



God Tabernacles Among His People