

A cinematic still from a film depicting Jesus and three of his disciples in a desert landscape. Jesus, on the left, is wearing a white robe and a white shawl, pointing his right hand towards the right. The three disciples are seated behind him, looking in various directions. The background shows a vast, open desert under a clear sky.

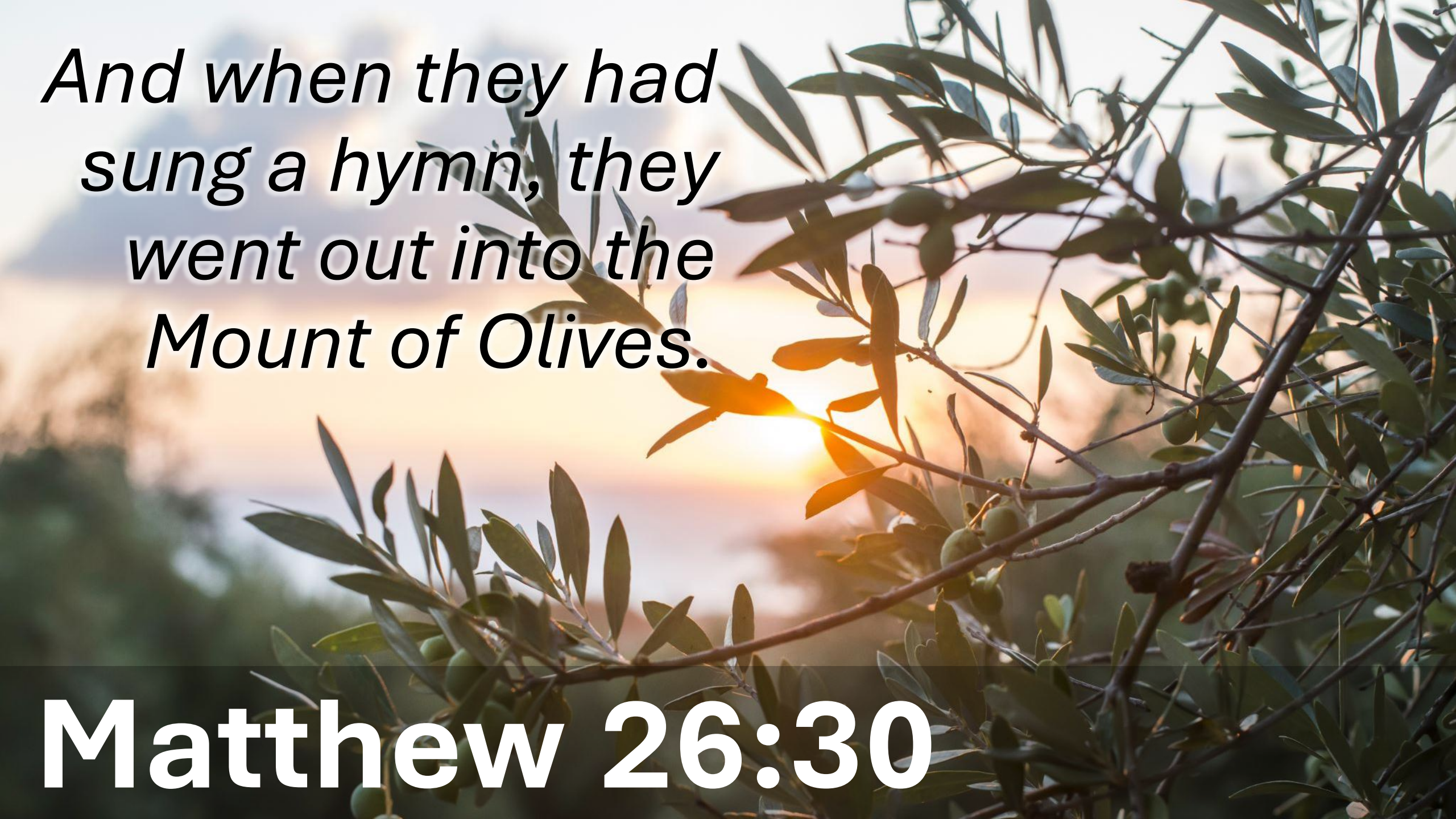
**Defecting Disciples**

**Restored!**

**Matthew 26:31-35**

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*And when they had  
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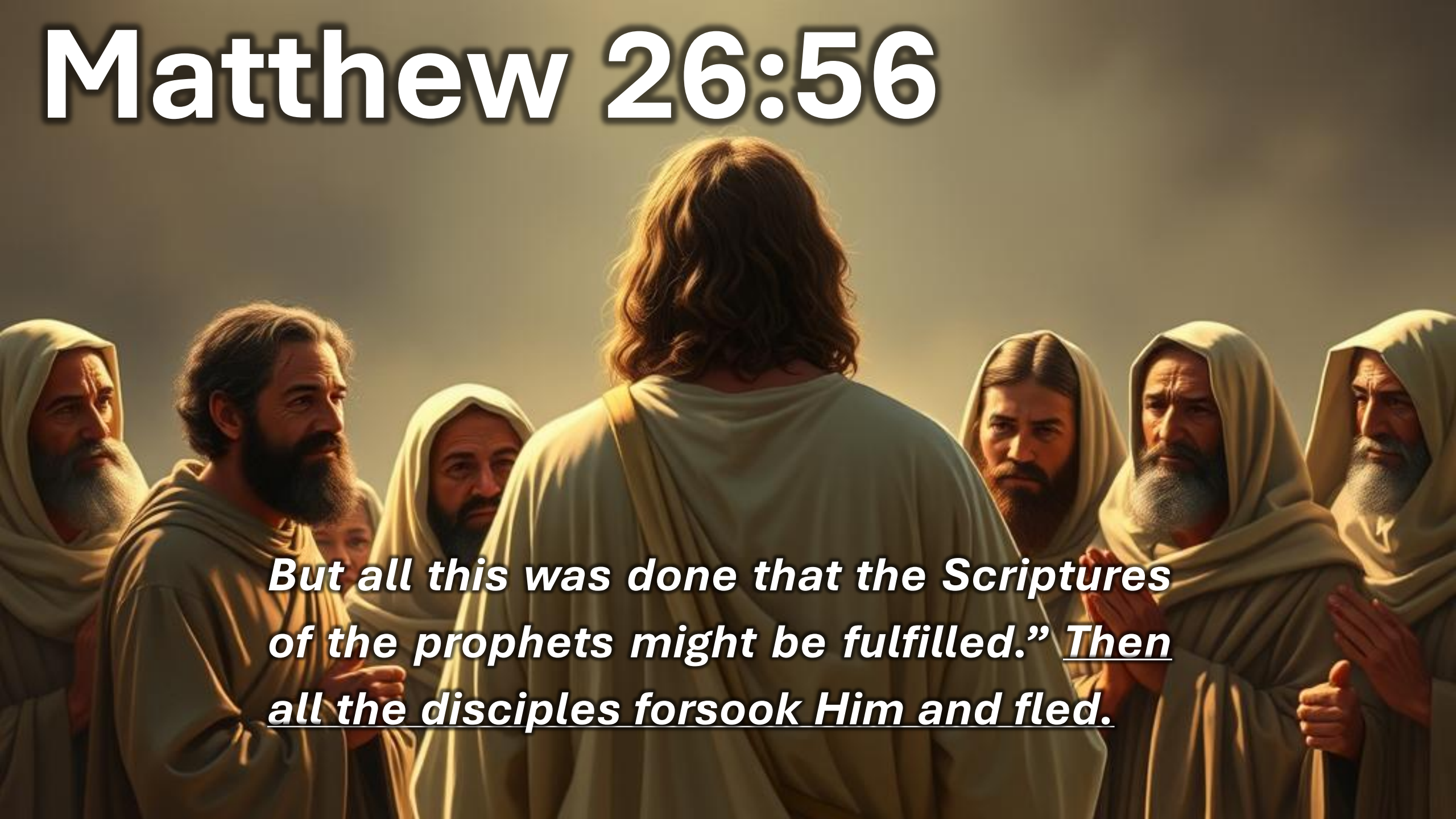
**Matthew 26:30**

# Proverbs 3:5-6

*Trust in the LORD with all  
your heart, And lean not on  
your own understanding; <sup>6</sup>*

*In all your ways  
acknowledge Him, And He  
shall direct your paths.*

# Matthew 26:56



***But all this was done that the Scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled.” Then all the disciples forsook Him and fled.***

***For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind. <sup>8</sup> Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but share with me in the sufferings for the gospel according to the power of God,***

**2 Timothy 1:7-8**



# 2 Timothy 1:12

*For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day.*

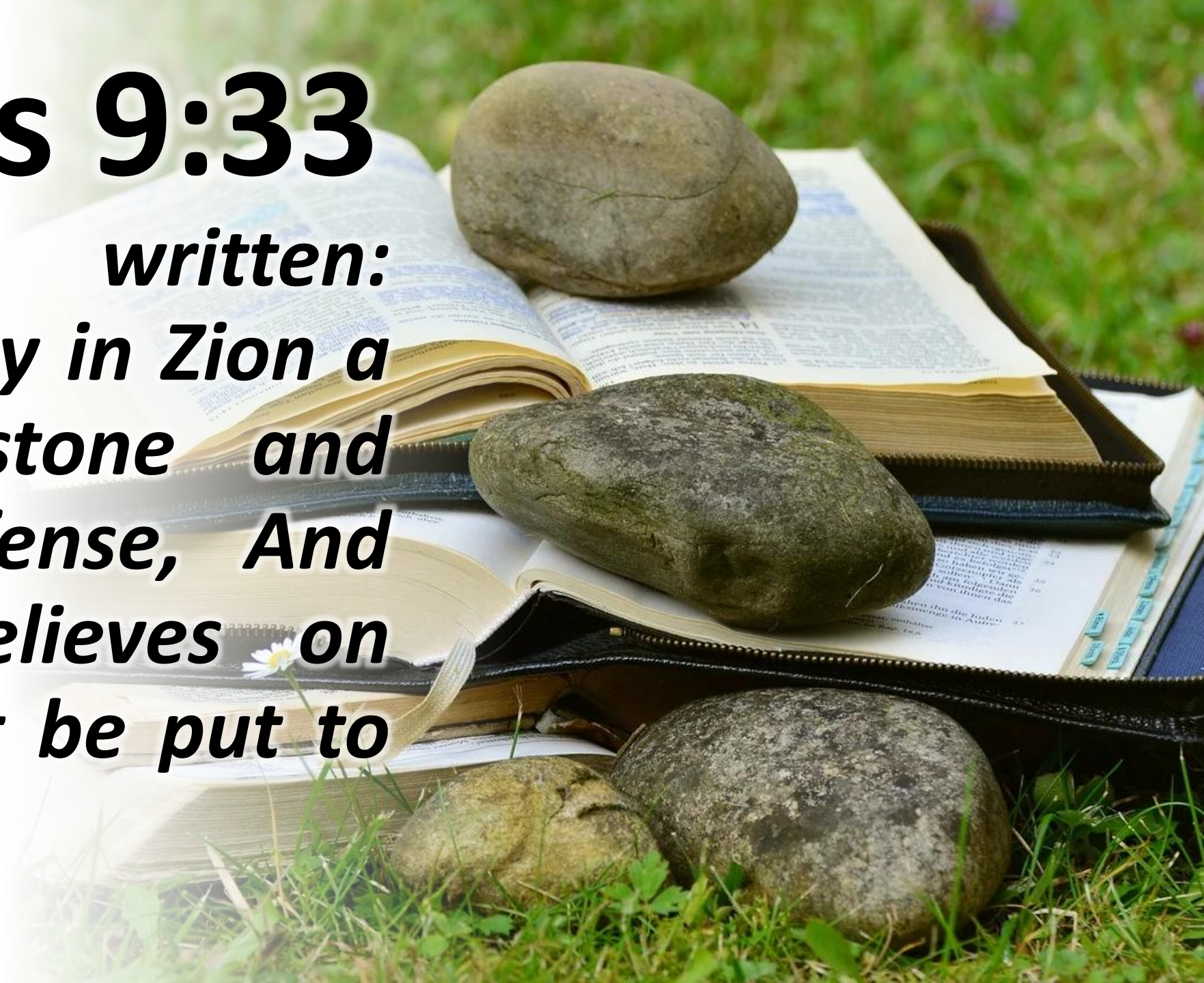
# Romans 1:16

*For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.*



# Romans 9:33

*As it is written:  
“Behold, I lay in Zion a  
stumbling stone and  
rock of offense, And  
whoever believes on  
Him will not be put to  
shame.”*



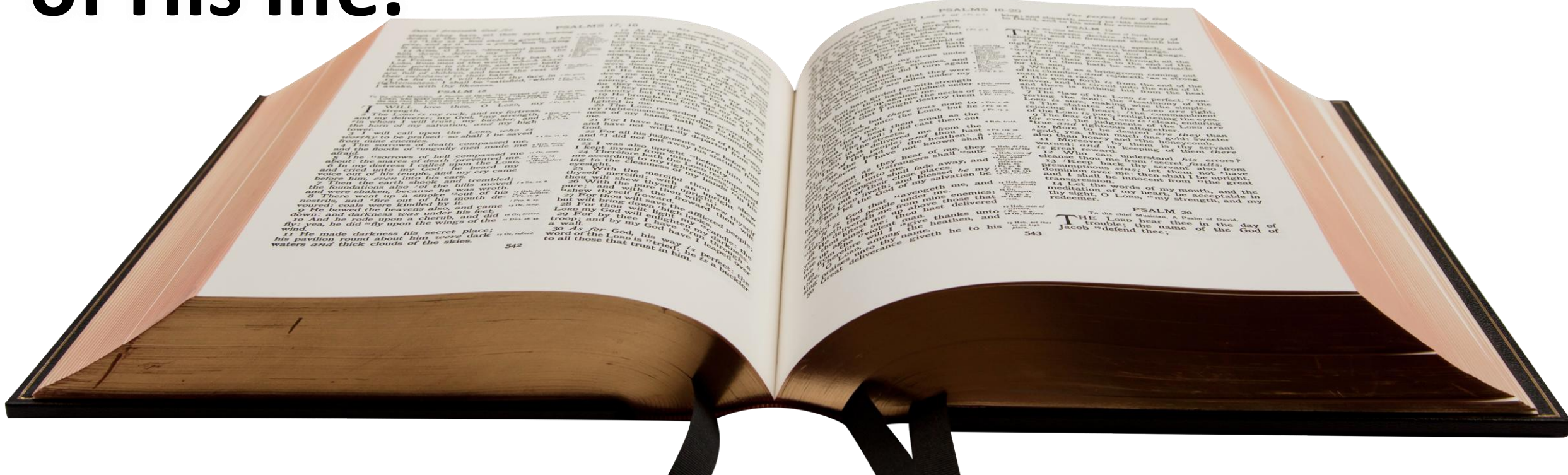
# Mark 8:38

***For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels.”***



✓ 4 chapters in all four gospels are devoted to the first 30 years of Christ's life.

✓ 13 Chapters are devoted to the last day of His life.



*And when they had sung a hymn, they  
went out into the Mount of Olives.*



**Matthew 26:30**

HALLELUJAH!

Psalm 115 to 118.





Hallel – הלל

Psalm 136



**John 14-16 is  
teaching.**

**John 17 is a prayer  
to the Father.**



# John 18:1

*When Jesus had spoken these words,  
He went out with His disciples over  
the Brook Kidron, where there was a  
garden, which He and His disciples  
entered.*

A thick, horizontal stroke of red paint is splattered across the center of the image. The paint is dark red and has a textured, brush-like appearance. It drips down slightly on the left side. The background is a light gray, cracked, and aged paper texture.

# **HALLEL PSALMS**

## **“PASSOVER PSALMS”**

# **Psalm 136**

A shepherd in a purple shirt and dark vest stands in a field, holding a long, curved wooden staff. He is surrounded by a large flock of sheep, some white and some brown. The background shows trees with autumn foliage under a bright sky.

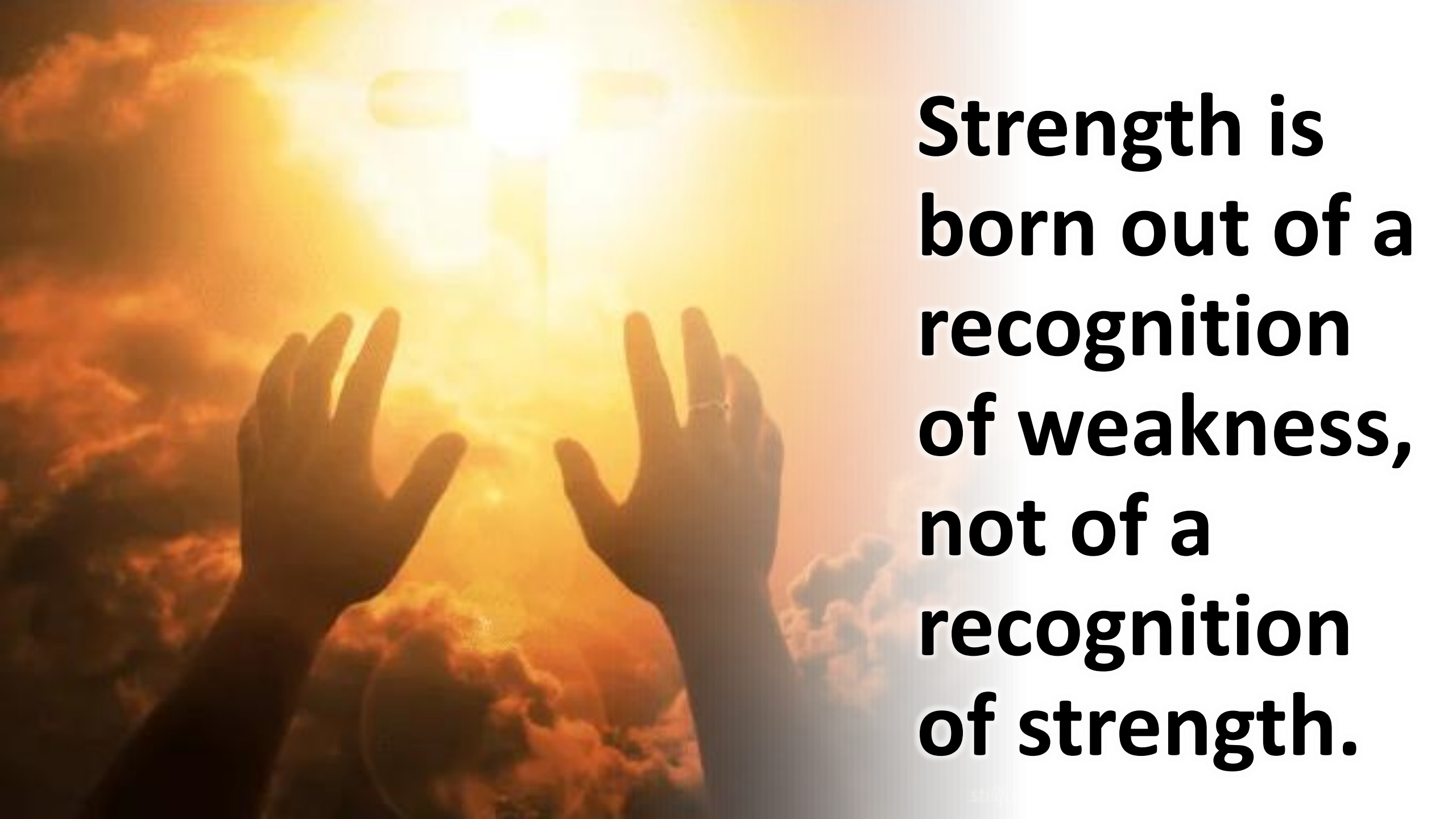
# Matthew 26:31

***Then Jesus said to them, "All of you will be made to stumble because of Me this night, for it is written:  
I will strike the Shepherd, And the sheep of the flock will be scattered."***

A vibrant rainbow arches across a blue sky, set against a background of a green landscape with rolling hills and trees. The scene is bright and hopeful.

# **GOD'S PROMISES**

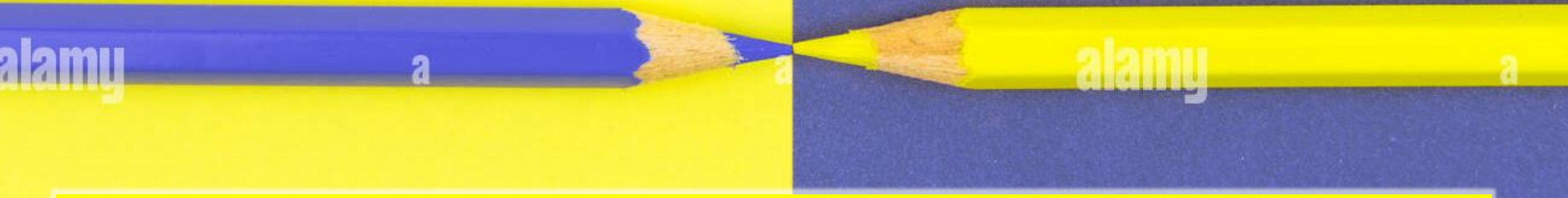
**Promises all through John 13 to  
16, a hopeful prayer in John 17.**

A photograph of a person's hands raised in prayer against a bright, glowing sun with clouds. The hands are silhouetted against the bright light, and the sun is partially obscured by the hands. The overall scene is warm and spiritual.

**Strength is  
born out of a  
recognition  
of weakness,  
not of a  
recognition  
of strength.**

# KNOWLEDGE

# IGNORANCE



**Contrast between knowledge and ignorance.**

**Knowledge** is the **presence** of understanding, information,

**Ignorance** is the **absence** of knowledge or information.

# Matthew

## 26:33

We find Peter saying,  
*“Though all men will  
be offended because  
of You, yet will I  
never be offended.”*



*“Though I should die  
with You, yet will I  
not deny You.”*

**Matthew**

**26:35**



# Matthew 26:31

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JESUS  
KNOWS



## Betrayal

Judas's every  
move,  
culminating in  
his kiss in the  
garden.

He knew the  
exact moment  
his friend would  
turn against  
him.



## Desertion

**His disciples  
fleeing in fear,  
leaving him  
alone. He saw  
Peter's denial  
vividly.**

**He wasn't  
surprised by the  
weakness of his  
followers.**



**Arrest**

**The soldiers  
approaching  
with clubs and  
torches.**

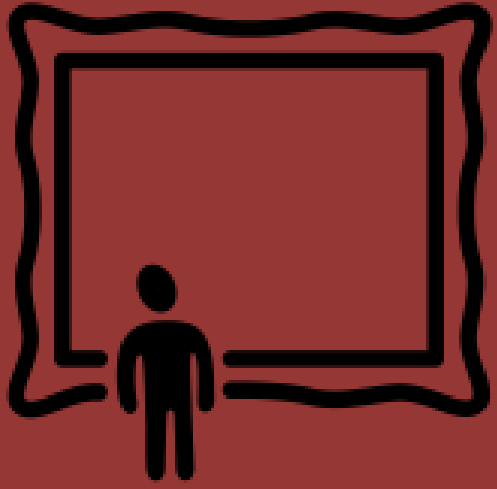
**He knew the  
exact moment  
his freedom  
would be taken.**



# Old Testament Prophecy

The fulfilment of every ancient prophecy, one by one.

He saw God's timeless plan unfolding perfectly.



## The Bigger Picture

The entire panorama of his suffering, all laid out before him.

He had full control and wasn't a victim of circumstance, but an actor in a divine plan.




- Jesus knew **the present**, the moment, this night.
- Jesus knew **the past**, it is written, it is the plan of God.
- Jesus knew **the future**, you are going to be offended.



# Zechariah

## 13:7

*“Awake, O sword,  
against My Shepherd,  
Against the Man who is  
My Companion,” Says  
the LORD of hosts. “Strike  
the Shepherd, And the  
sheep will be scattered;  
Then I will turn My hand  
against the little ones.*



**Israel went into chaos after the death of their Messiah. 70 A.D.,**

**Zechariah  
says, “But I  
will gather  
again My  
little ones.”**



# Contrast in courage and cowardice



**Cowardice** is an excessive fear that prevents a person from taking a risk or facing a challenge

**Courage** is not the absence of fear, but the ability to act in the face of it.

A man with long hair and a beard, likely Jesus, is seated at a table. He is wearing a light-colored, simple tunic. He is holding a piece of bread in his hands, looking down at it. The table in front of him has a bowl of green vegetables and a plate of bread. The background is dark and out of focus, suggesting an indoor setting. The overall lighting is soft and focused on the man.

# Matthew 26:31

*Then Jesus said to them, "All of you will be made to stumble*

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# Proverbs 29:25

*The fear of man brings a snare, But  
whoever trusts in the LORD shall be safe.*



# Matthew

## 26:55

*In that hour Jesus said to the multitudes, "Have you come out, as against a robber, with swords and clubs to take Me? I sat daily with you, teaching in the temple, and you did not seize Me.*



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# Hebrews 11:25-26

*choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, 26 esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward*

FREE from the  
FEAR of Death

# Luke 22:42

*“Not My will but  
Yours be done,  
whatever it is that  
You will Me to do,  
Father, I will do it, I  
trust You, I put My  
life in Your hands.”*





**Contrast between power  
and weakness.**

# Matthew 26:32

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*But after I have  
been raised, I will  
go before you to  
Galilee.”*



# Romans 6:4

*Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.*





# Matthew 16

# Matthew 17

# Matthew 20

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“I must go and be crucified,  
and three days later I will  
rise from the dead.”





**Eat My Flesh  
and  
Drink My Blood**

# Hebrews 2:14

*Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil,*

# Hebrews 11:17-19

*By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, <sup>18</sup> of whom it was said, “In Isaac your seed shall be called,” <sup>19</sup> concluding that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead, from which he also received him in a figurative sense.*

THE  
TEST  
FAITH





# John

## 11:47-53

all the rulers  
knew He raised  
Lazarus from the  
dead. They  
should have  
remembered.

# John

## 11:25-26

*Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. <sup>26</sup> And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"*



# Matthew

## 28:10

*Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell My brethren to go to Galilee, and there they will see Me."*



A close-up photograph of a person's hand holding a small globe of the Earth. The hand is positioned in the center-left of the frame, with fingers wrapped around the globe. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light blue and white. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

# 2 Corinthians

## 12:9

*And He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.*



# Pride vs. Humility

**Contrast  
between pride  
and humility.**

**Pride** is an inflated sense of self-importance. **Humility** is the opposite it is the quality of having a modest view of one's own importance.

# Matthew

## 26:33

*Peter answered and said to Him, "Even if all are made to stumble because of You, I will never be made to stumble."*



# John

## 13:36-38

*Simon Peter said to Him, "Lord, where are You going?" Jesus answered him, "Where I am going you cannot follow Me now, but you shall follow Me afterward." <sup>37</sup> Peter said to Him, "Lord, why can I not follow You now? I will lay down my life for Your sake." <sup>38</sup> Jesus answered him, "Will you lay down your life for My sake? Most assuredly, I say to you, the rooster shall not crow till you have denied Me three times.*



# Matthew 26:34

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*Jesus said to him,  
“Assuredly, I say to  
you that this  
night, before the  
rooster crows, you  
will deny Me three  
times.”*



# Luke

## 22:31-33

*And the Lord said, "Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that he may sift you as wheat."<sup>32</sup> But I have prayed for you, that your faith should not fail; and when you have returned to Me, strengthen your brethren."<sup>33</sup> But he said to Him, "Lord, I am ready to go with You, both to prison and to death."*



# Matthew

## 16:21-23

*From that time Jesus began to show to His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised the third day.*



- 1. Peter contradicted the Lord.**
- 2. Peter claimed to be better than everybody else.**
- 3. Peter trusted in his own strength.**

*Him, "Even if all  
I will  
us said to him,  
I say to you that  
this night, before  
I have said to you  
twice, you  
will deny me  
three times." But  
Peter answered  
vehemently,  
saying, "I will  
never deny you,  
even if all  
I will  
die with you,  
O Lord!"*

*Mark 14:29-31 (NKJV)*



# Matthew 26:35

everyone  
said the  
same thing



# Matthew 26:34

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*Jesus said to him,  
“Assuredly, I say to  
you that this night,  
before the rooster  
crows, you will deny  
Me three times.”*



# The Jews divided the night into four parts.

1. Evening 6-9 pm.
2. Midnight 9-12 am.
3. Third crow 12-3 am
4. Morning 3-6 am.

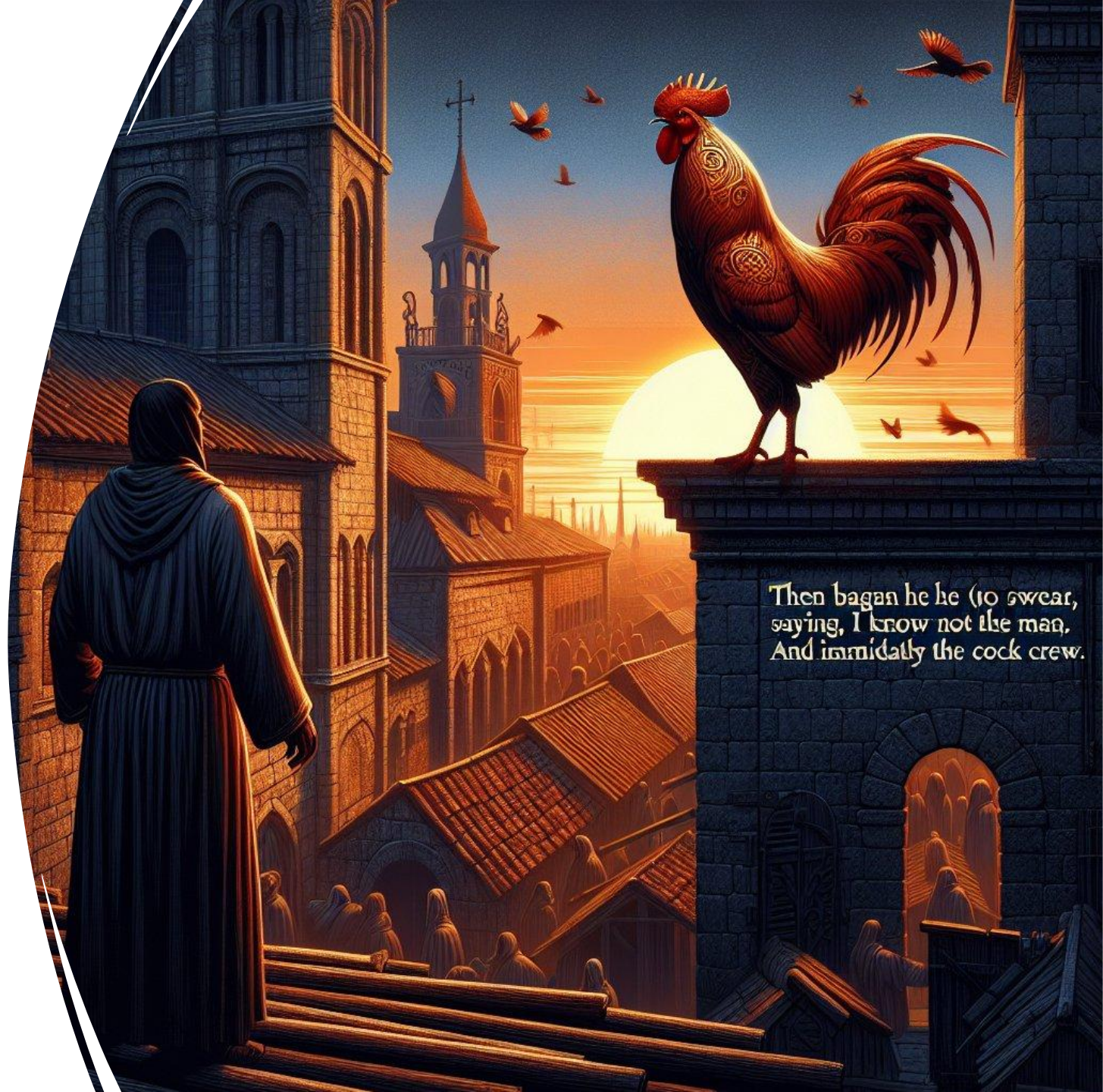
Cock crow was the name of a period from  
**12.00 am to 3.00 am**



# Matthew 26:74

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*Then he began to curse and swear, saying, "I do not know the Man!" Immediately a rooster crowed. <sup>75</sup> And Peter remembered the word of Jesus who had said to him, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times." So he went out and wept bitterly.*



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saying, I know not the man,  
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# Matthew

## 26:35

*Peter said to Him,  
“Even if I have to  
die with You, I will  
not deny You!”  
And so said all the  
disciples.*



# Luke

## 22:60-62

*But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are saying!" Immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. <sup>61</sup> And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had said to him, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times." <sup>62</sup> So Peter went out and wept bitterly.*



# Contrast between desertion and restoration



# Matthew 26:32

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*But after I have  
been raised, I will  
go before you to  
Galilee.”*





**HIS MERCY ENDURES  
FOREVER**

**Psalm 136**

# John 21

“Peter, feed My sheep, feed My lambs, feed My sheep.”



# Acts 5:40-42

*And they agreed with him, and when they had called for the apostles and beaten them, they commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go.*





I thank God  
for the times  
that I failed,  
and the Lord  
taught me  
the frailty of  
my own  
strength.