

EPHESIANS



TRANSFORMED BY GRACE, EMPOWERED BY PEACE

STUDY 5 THE PAULINE PRAYER

Ephesians 1:15-23

THE STRUCTURE

Glory and Grace of God

The Peace of God in the church

Theological

Practical

Ephesians 1

Ephesians 2

Ephesians 3

Ephesians 4

Ephesians 5

Ephesians 6

Who God is and what
He has done for us in
Christ

How we should live because
of what He has done for us

THE SCHEME OF EPHESIANS

Ephesians 1
What God did

Ephesians 2
How He did it

Ephesians 3
Why He did it

Ephesians 4-6
Our response to
what He did

GRACE OF GOD IN CHRIST
EVERY SPIRITUAL BLESSING
PRAISE
EPHESIANS 1:3-14

1. Election

2. Predestination

3. Adoption

4. Redemption

5. Knowledge of His grand
plan

6. Inheritance

7. Sealing with Holy Spirit

THANKS GIVING AND PRAYER
EPHESIANS 1:15-23

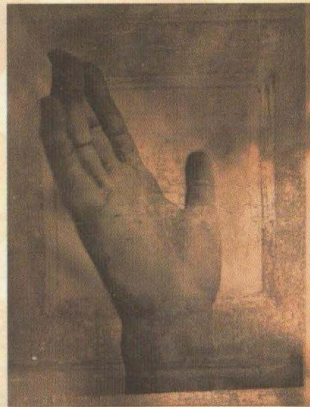
Paul's Prayer for
Ephesians

Ephesians 1:15–16 (ESV) For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, 16 I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers,

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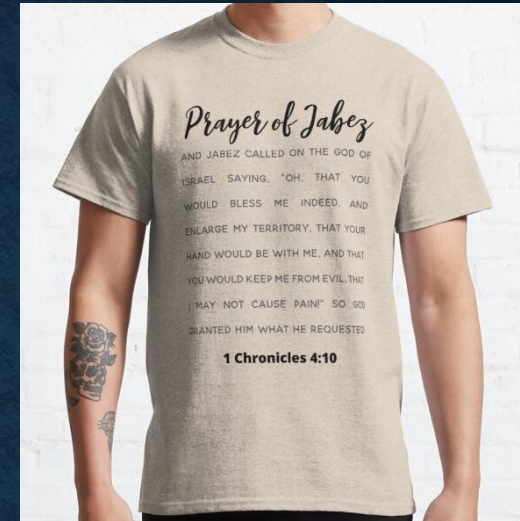
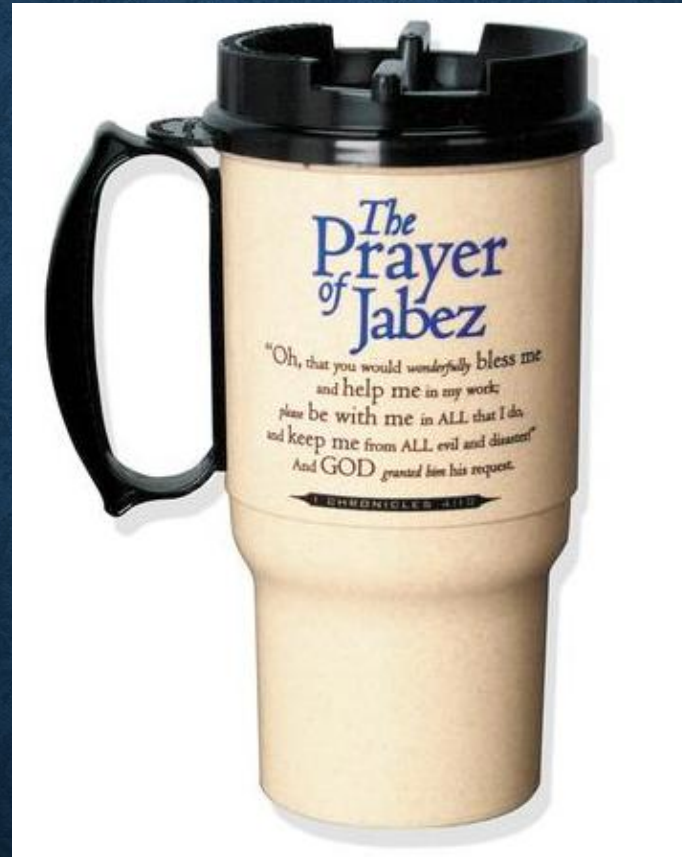


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1 Chronicles 4:10 (ESV) Jabez called upon the God of Israel, saying, “Oh that you would bless me and enlarge my border, and that your hand might be with me, and that you would keep me from harm so that it might not bring me pain!” And God granted what he asked



Jabez Prayer Wheel

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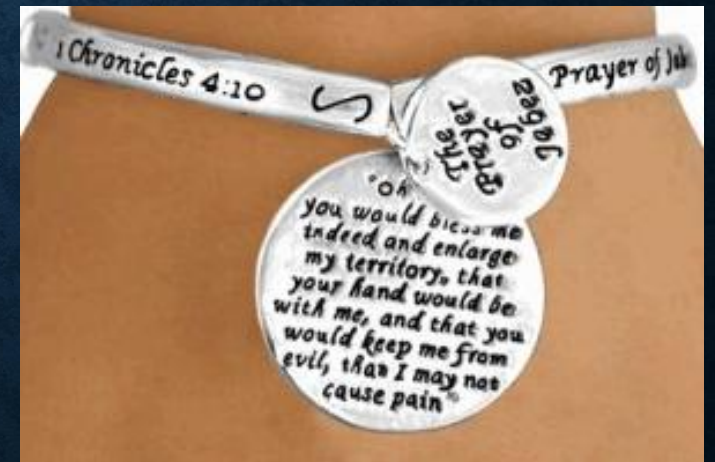
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JABEZ



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How should we pray?

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METAPHOR

The avenue through
which light flows into
the heart and mind

Heart

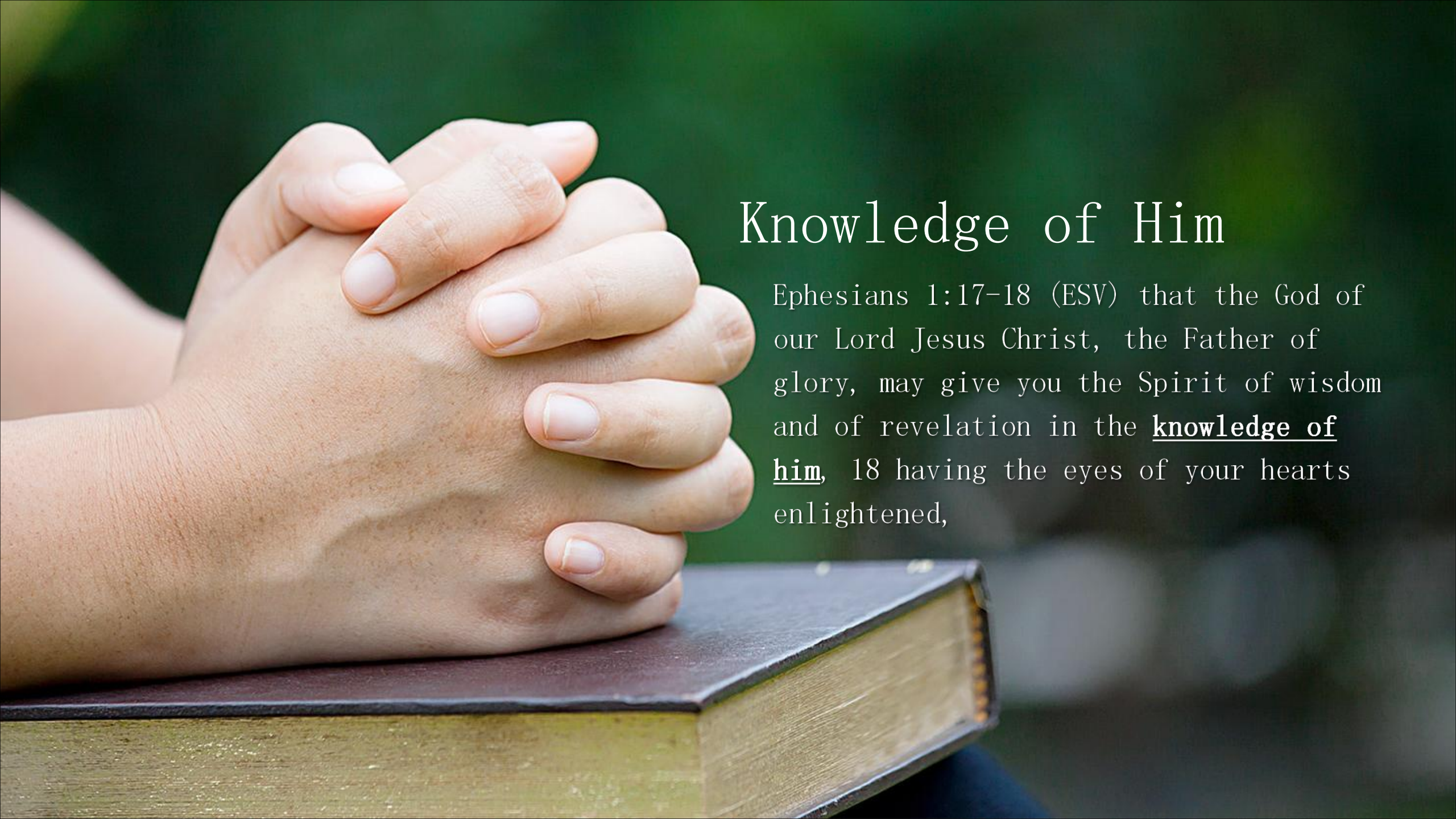
Center of being

Seat of moral and intellectual life

Feelings and emotions

Will or volition

Thought and understanding



Knowledge of Him

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YADA

- Information
- Personal encounter

PRAYER

WRESTLING WITH TRUTH



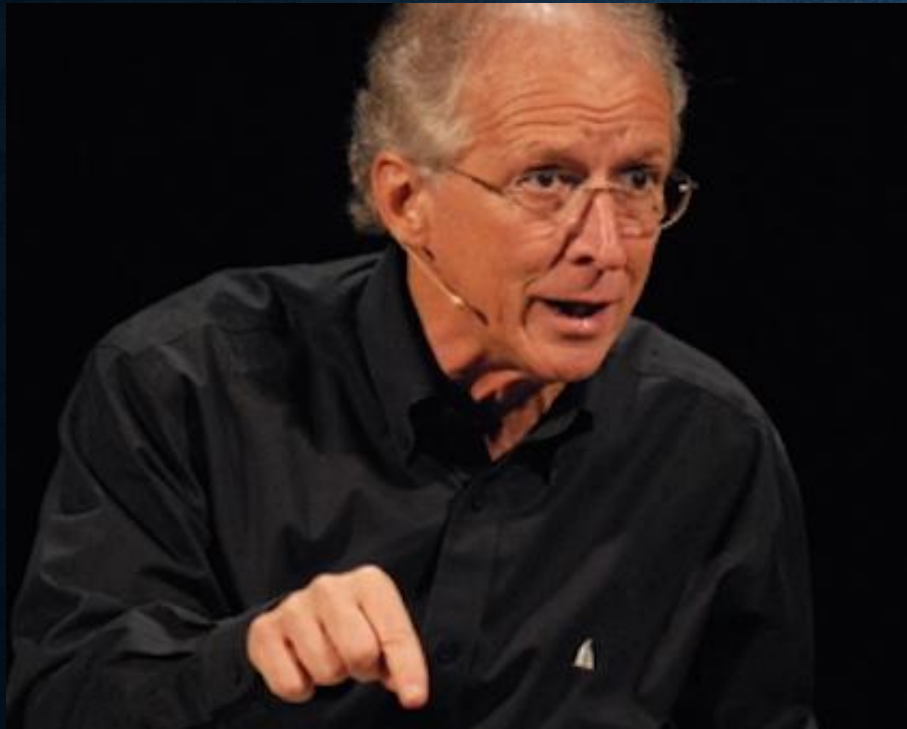
KNOWLEDGE OF GOD

EASTERN CONCEPT OF MEDITATION

Empty your mind



JOHN PIPER



“Indeed, it may be more difficult, first, because a true knowledge of ourselves assumes a true knowledge of God, and, second, because we tend to think we do know ourselves, when, in fact, the depths of our condition are beyond our comprehension without the help of God.”

JEREMIAH 17:9-10 (ESV)

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?10 “I the Lord search the heart and test the mind, to give every man according to his ways, according to the fruit of his deeds.”

Knowledge of God

Wisdom

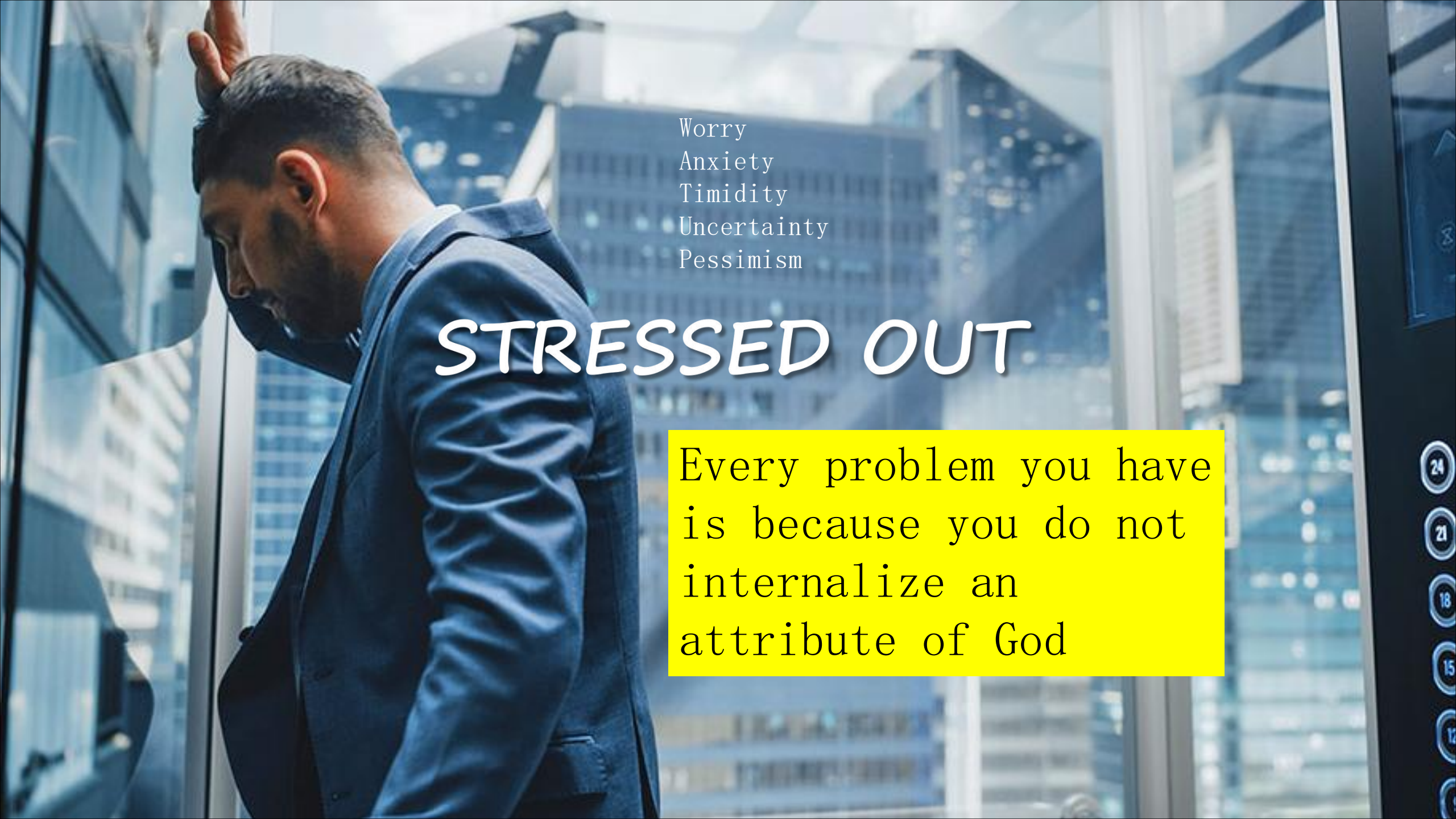
Situational insight
Resolve

Revelation

Holy Spirit

Internalised

Know , feel His presence

A man in a blue suit is shown in profile, looking down with a stressed expression. He is standing in front of a large window that offers a view of a modern city with tall buildings. The lighting is bright, suggesting daytime. The overall mood is one of anxiety or pressure.

Worry
Anxiety
Timidity
Uncertainty
Pessimism

STRESSED OUT

Every problem you have
is because you do not
internalize an
attribute of God

Failure of
internalizing
an attribute of
God

His wisdom



Worry

His mercy



Guilt

His power



Timidity

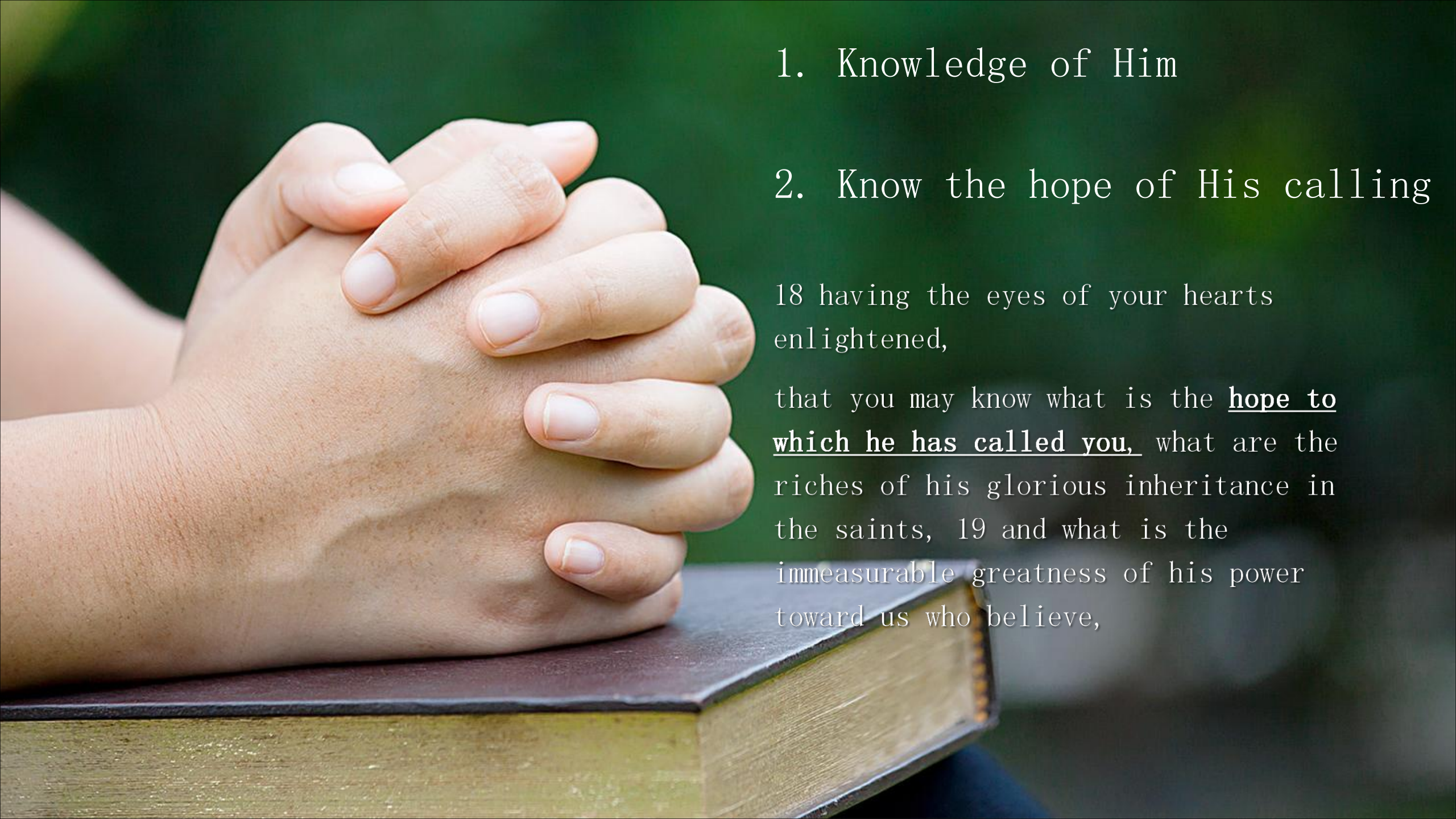
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WHY DON'T WE SEEK HIS KNOWLEDGE?



1. Knowledge of Him

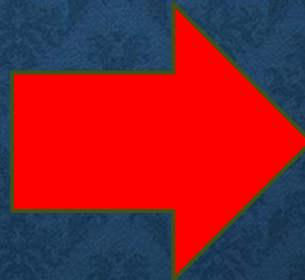
2. Know the hope of His calling

18 having the eyes of your hearts
enlightened,

that you may know what is the hope to
which he has called you, what are the
riches of his glorious inheritance in
the saints, 19 and what is the
immeasurable greatness of his power
toward us who believe,

BIBLICAL CONCEPT OF HOPE

Hope to which you
were called



Assurance of your
call..salvation

DOUBT THAT SINS ARE FORGIVEN

- Just committed a bad sin
- Recurring sin
- Remembered an old sin
- Devil accuses



Revelation 12:10–11 (ESV) And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, “Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. 11 And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death.

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
Matthew 28:19

Certificate of Baptism

This Certificate That

Complete Name

was

Baptized in the Name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

Month Date, Year

Church Name

Complete Name

Complete Name

LOOK AT OUR
CARD

IDENTIFICATION BLANK

Name Billy Graham

of Charter Memorial A. P. P.

Address Church of Charlotte, N.C.

Park Rd

Street, Box or Route

Charlotte

City or Town

North Carolina

State or Province

**IN CASE OF EMERGENCY,
PLEASE NOTIFY**

Name W.F. Graham

DECISION CARD

Being convinced that I am a sinner, and believing that Christ died for me, I now receive Him as my personal Saviour, and with His help I purpose confessing Him before men.

Name Billy Graham

Date November 1, 1934

IMPORTANT VERSES FOR MEMORIZING

Joshua	1:8.	Isaiah	53:3-4,5-6.
Psalms	1 (entire)	"	55:1-3, 6, 7-9.
"	19:14.		7-9.
"	23 (entire)	Matthew	5:3-16.
"	27:1, 14.	John	3:3, 16-17.
"	32:1.	"	18-19.
"	40:14, 17.	"	14:1-3, 6,
"	46:1-3.		13-14,
"	51:1-3, 10.		15-17.
"	84:11.	Romans	5:1, 8.

LOOK AT OUR
SERVICE



PAUL'S CALLING-RECOGNITION OF THE SON

Galatians 1:15-16 (ESV) But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and who called me by his grace, 16 was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with anyone;



Acts 9:4-6 (ESV) And falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him, “Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?” 5 And he said, “Who are you, Lord?” And he said, “I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. 6 But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.”

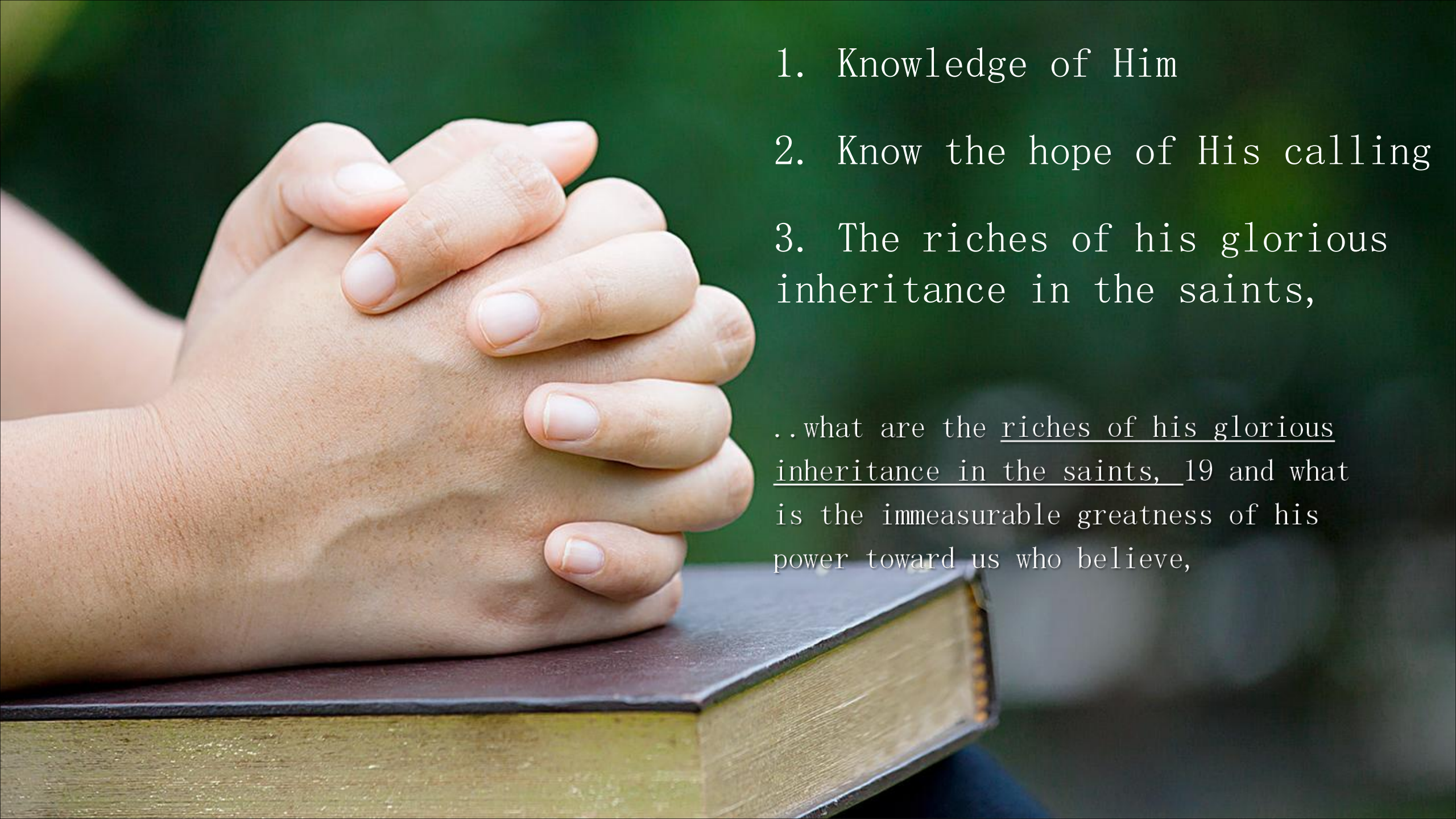
1 Corinthians 1:22 For Jews demand signs and
Greeks seek wisdom, 23 but we preach Christ
crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to
Gentiles, 24 but to those who are called, both
Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the
wisdom of God.

RECOGNITION OF WHO JESUS IS ...

The only way we can seek God is that He is working on you on the inside

Hope of His calling

that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, 19 and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe,



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THE RICHES OF HIS GLORIOUS INHERITANCE IN THE SAINTS,

Inheritance

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We are God's inheritance

When He looks at us He feels wealthy
We are precious jewel

We receive a portion
of what God has

What it means
to be loved



Green Day lead singer
Billie Joe Armstrong



Adrienne

Marco Perego



Zoe Saldaña



Isaiah 49:16 (ESV) Behold, I have engraved you on
the palms of my hands;
your walls are continually before me.

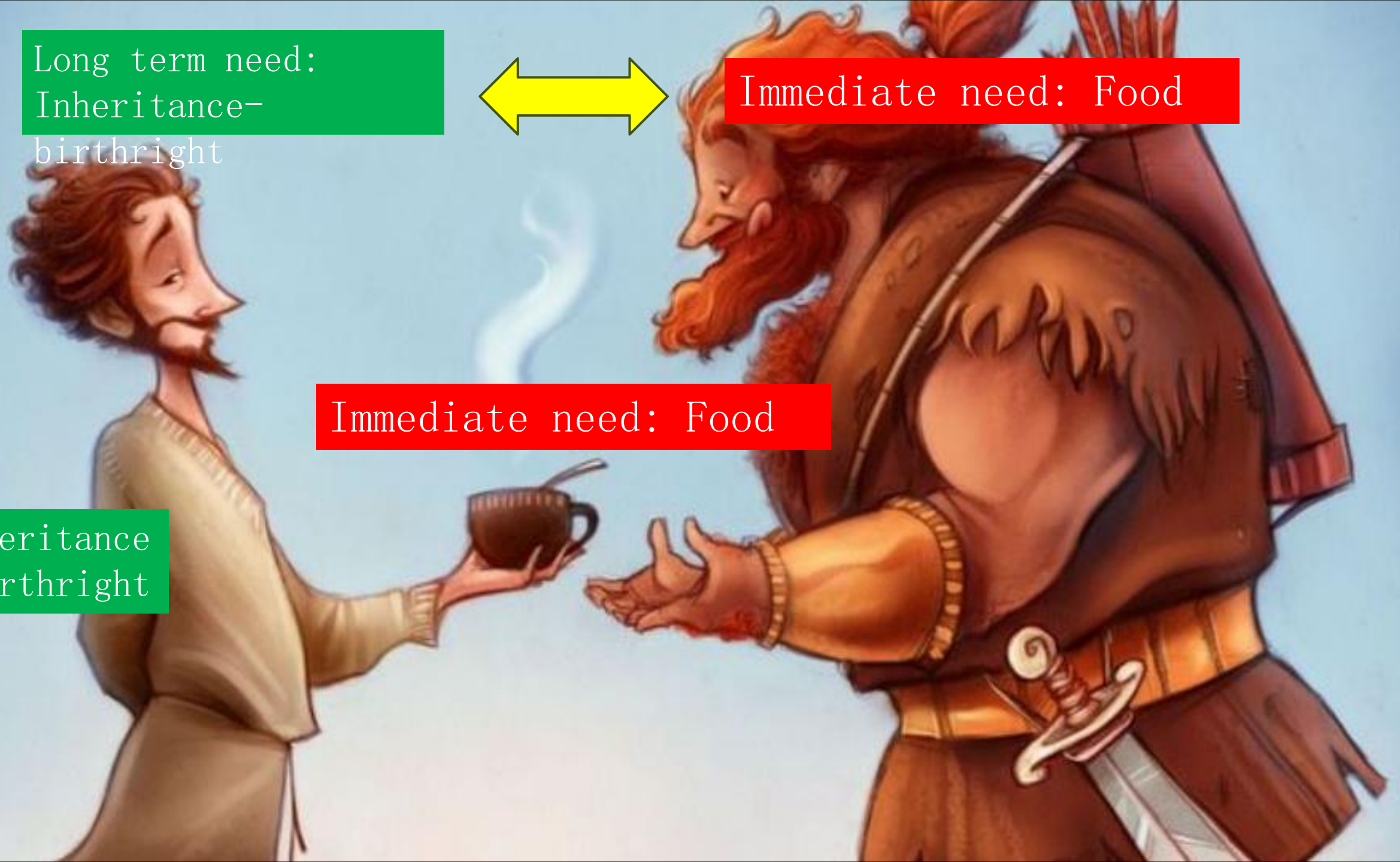
Long term need:
Inheritance-
birthright



Immediate need: Food

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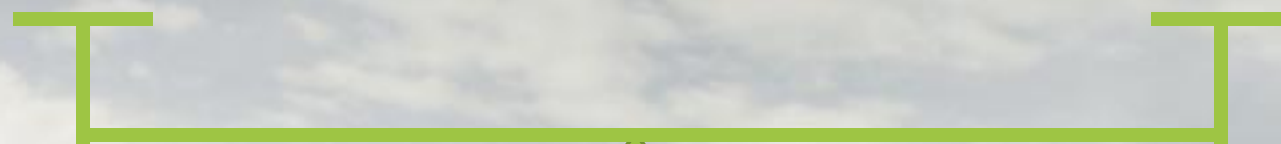
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Compromise

Inheritance

Integrity



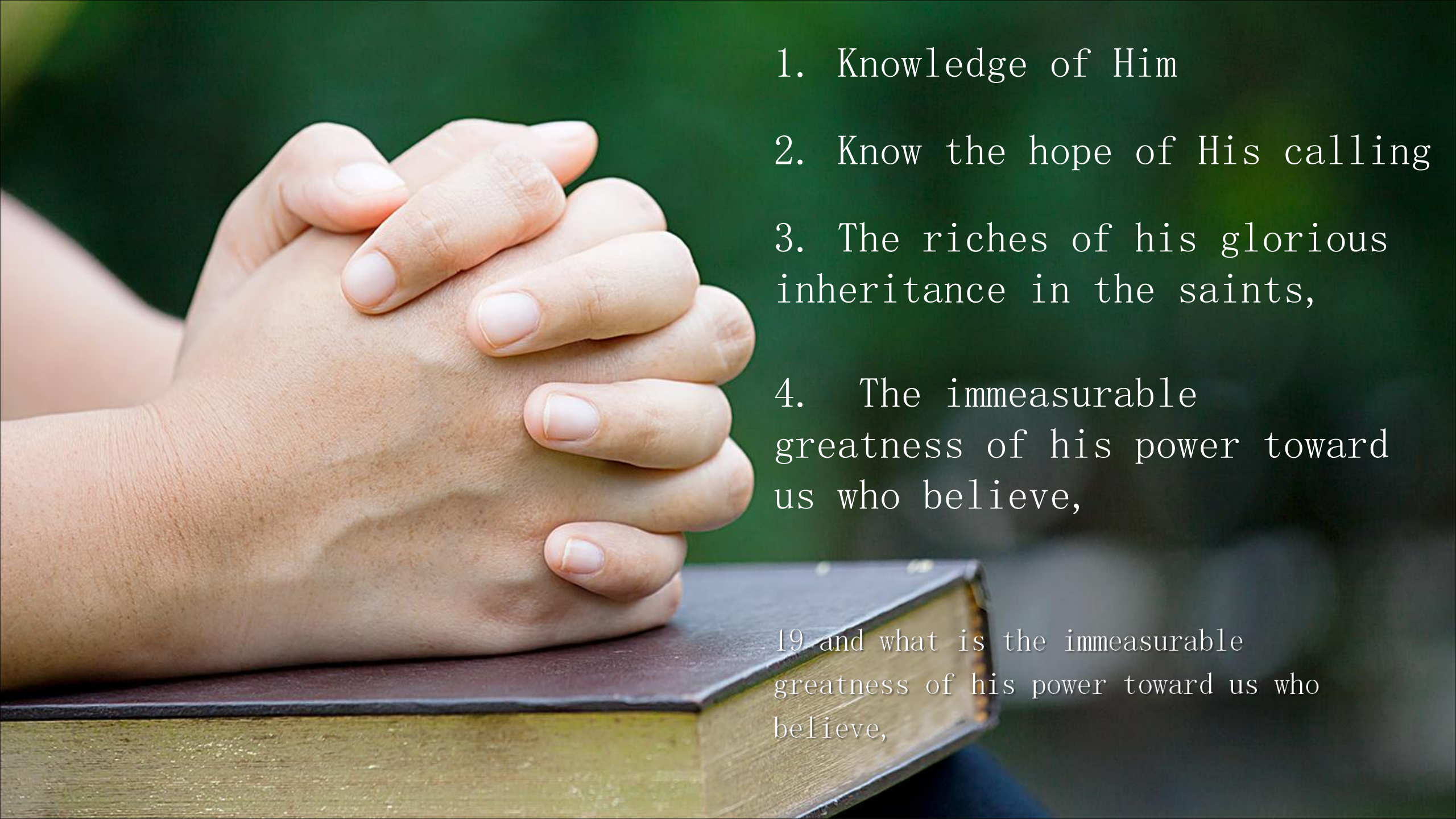
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- If you sin..you are cutting yourself of Him
- If you think of the glory of your inheritance in Him you can face temptation



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19 and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe,

DIMENSION OF HIS POWER

Ephesians 1:19–23 (ESV) and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰ that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places,

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**HOW DOES
DEATH FEEL?**

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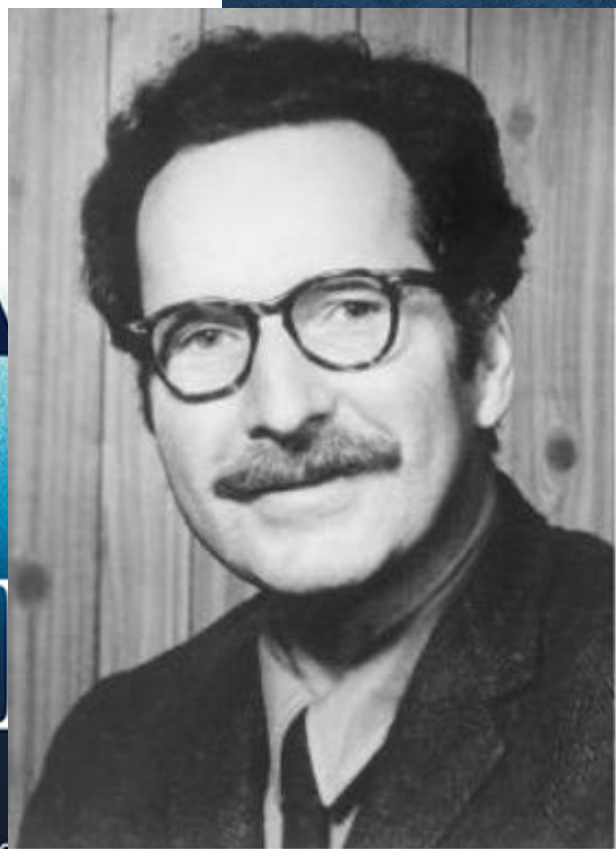
The New York Times Book Review

THE DENIAL OF DEATH

'One of those rare masterpieces that will stimulate your
intellectual curiosity and, last but not least, your soul'

Elisabeth Kübler-Ross, author of On Death and Dying

ERNEST BECKER



The idea of death, the fear of it, haunts
the human animal like nothing else; it is
a mainspring of human activity -
designed largely to avoid the fatality of
death, to overcome it by denying in
some way that it is the final destiny of
man.

— Ernest Becker —

AZ QUOTES

A portrait of Steve Jobs, wearing his signature black turtleneck and glasses, smiling slightly. The background is dark blue.

STEVE JOBS

Death makes all your fears of failure irrelevant so just do as you like

Remembering that I'll be dead soon is the most important tool I've ever encountered to help me make the big choices in life," he said. "Because almost everything—all external expectations, all pride, all fear of embarrassment or failure—these things just fall away in the face of death, leaving only what is truly important. Remembering that you are going to die is the best way I know to avoid the trap of thinking you have something to lose. You are already naked. There is no reason not to follow



DEATH BECOMES LIBERATOR

There is every
reason to follow
His
Call...fearlessly

ARTIFICIAL
INTELLIGENCE IN
THE COCKPIT



AI had a Flawless Triumph Against Human Fighter Pilot in DARPA Dogfight



EXTENT OF THE POWER

Ephesians 1:20–23 (ESV) that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, 21 far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. 22 And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, 23 which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

IMPORTANCE IN SPIRITUAL WARFARE

Right hand of throne

21 far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come

Heavenly Life

Spirit world

Principalities , powers


Life

Death





THE POWER GOD EXERCISED IN DEFEATING ALL POWERS



Ephesians 1:22-23 (ESV) And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, 23 which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Common grace

GRACE

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COMMON GRACE

God's beneficial power given to undeserving people

Great gifts of wisdom

Beauty and goodness

On all mankind

regardless of faith

Restraints evil

Matt 5:45b For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust

SPECIAL GRACE

Saving grace in the work of Jesus Christ

New birth

Redemption

HOW IS JESUS RULING?

Head

Ephesians 1:22-23 (ESV) And he put to all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, 23 which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.
Benefits



Common grace

Control of history



All things in the world



Church

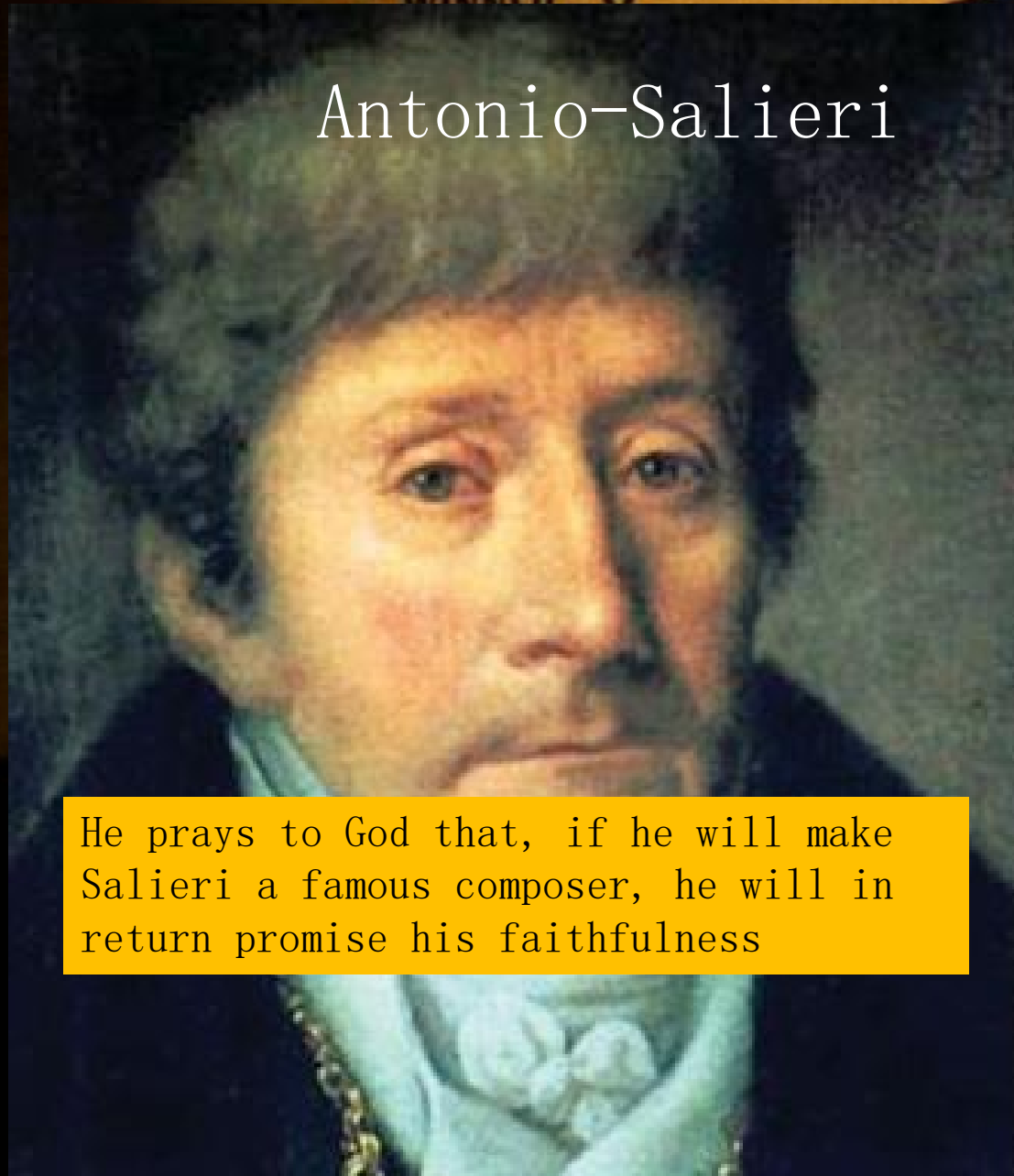
ISAIAH 45:1 (ESV)..LEADERSHIP ABILITY

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, to subdue nations before him and to loose the belts of kings, to open doors before him that gates may not be closed:

RESTRAINS EVIL

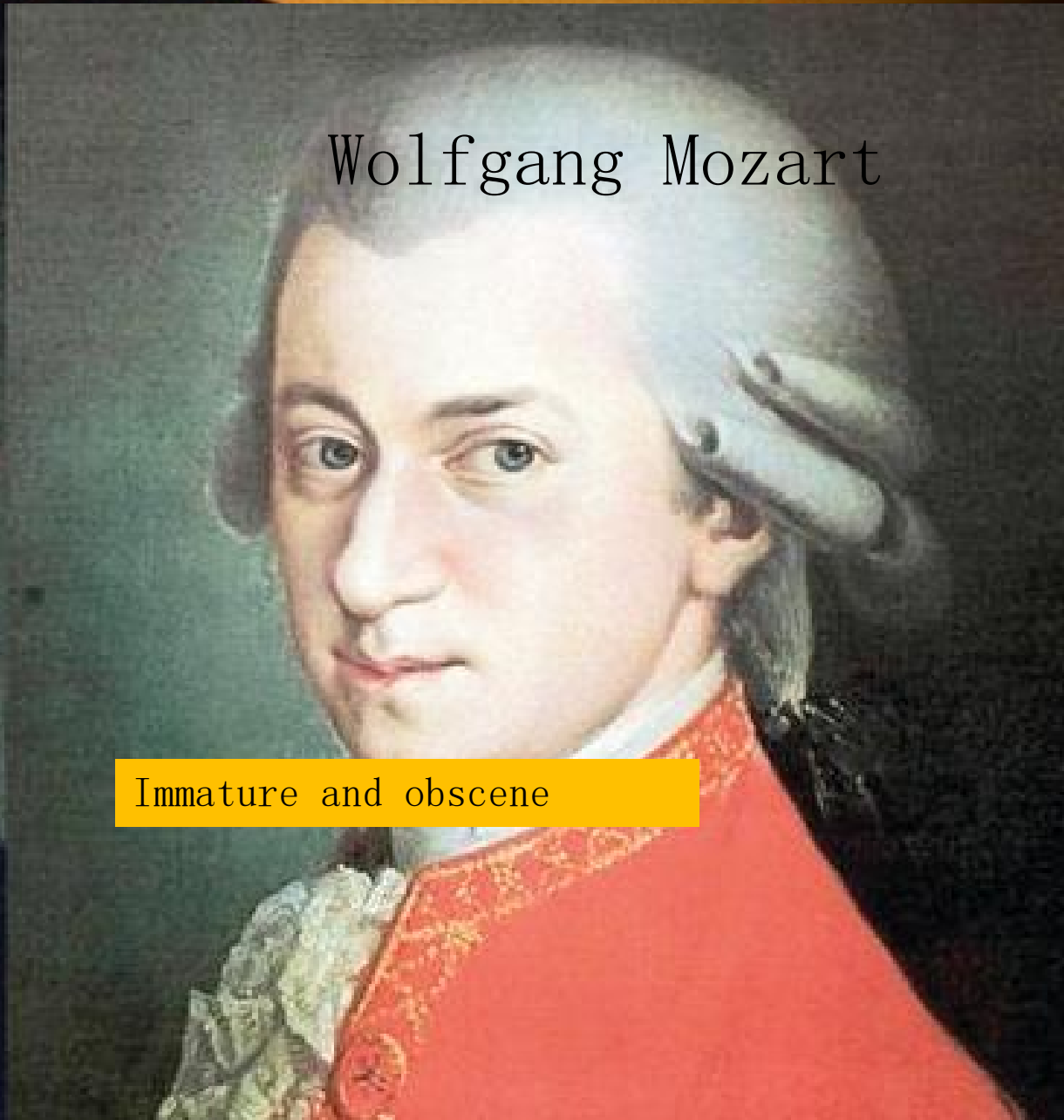
Genesis 20:2–7 (ESV) And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, “She is my sister.” And Abimelech king of Gerar sent and took Sarah. 3 But God came to Abimelech in a dream by night and said to him, “Behold, you are a dead man because of the woman whom you have taken, for she is a man’s wife.”

Antonio-Salieri



He prays to God that, if he will make Salieri a famous composer, he will in return promise his faithfulness

Wolfgang Mozart



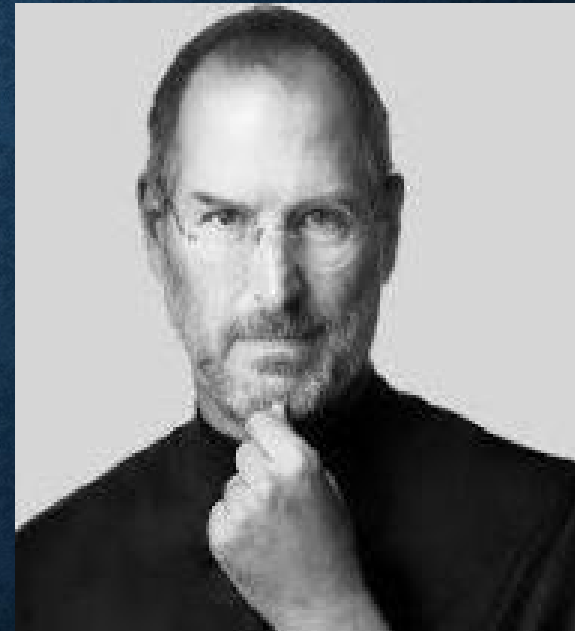
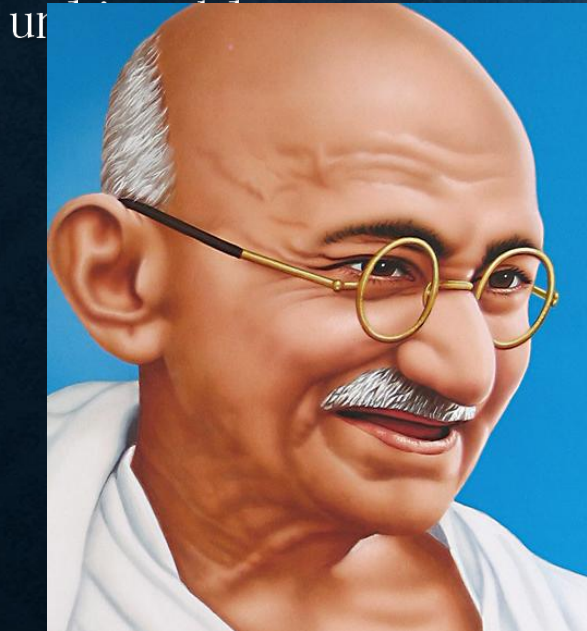
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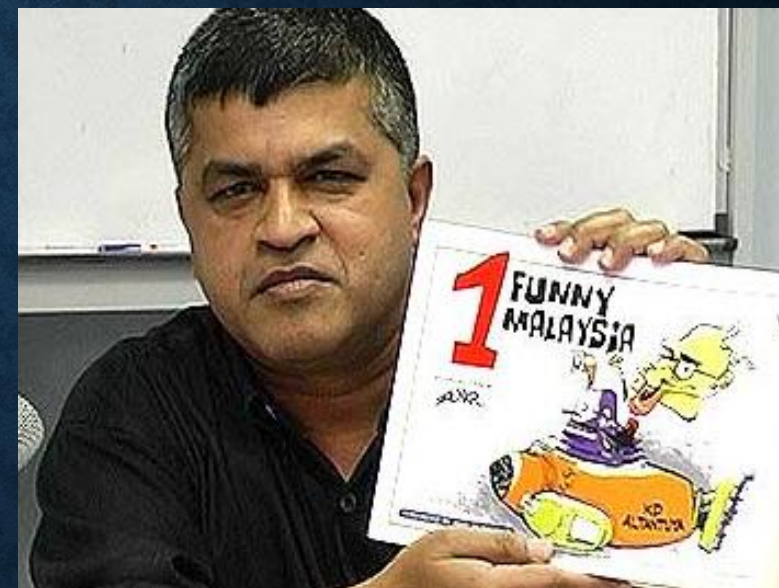
Looks at Crucifix
You and I are enemies
Throws it in the trash

THEY MADE IT A BETTER PLACE

- For the church...because if there was no common grace the world will be



THEY MADE IT A BETTER PLACE





MARTIN LUTHER

*I would much rather be
ruled by a wise Muslim
ruler than a stupid
Christian one*

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Denial of common grace?

Family of
Faith
Ministries

Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters: who maketh the clouds his chariot: who walketh upon the wings of the wind: Who maketh his angels spirits; his ministers a flaming fire: Psalm 104:3-4

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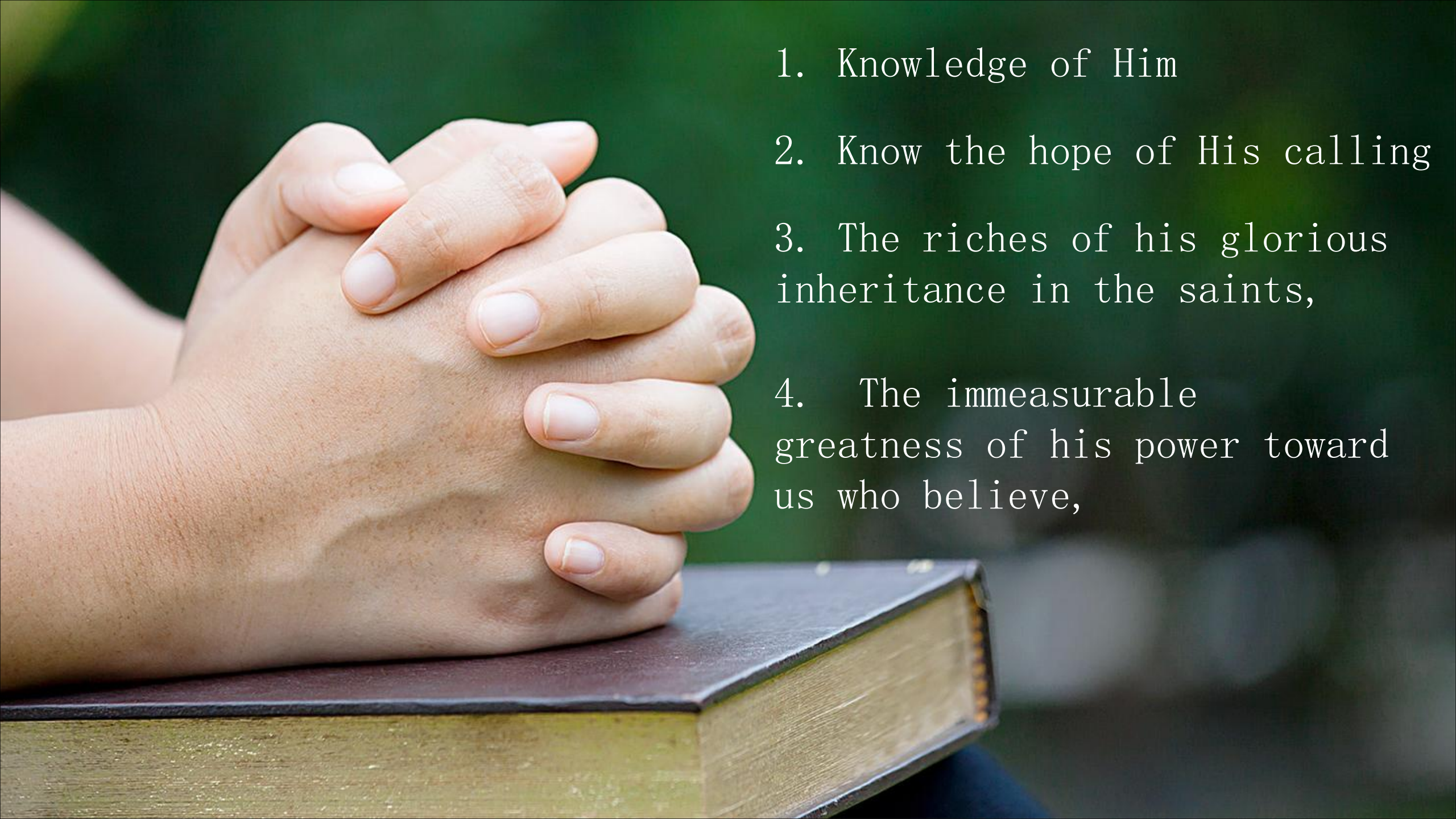
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HIS COMMON GRACE IS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CHURCH-CONTROL OF HISTORY

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Blessing of beauty and restraining of evil



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