



*When God works with us,
a mother and son story*

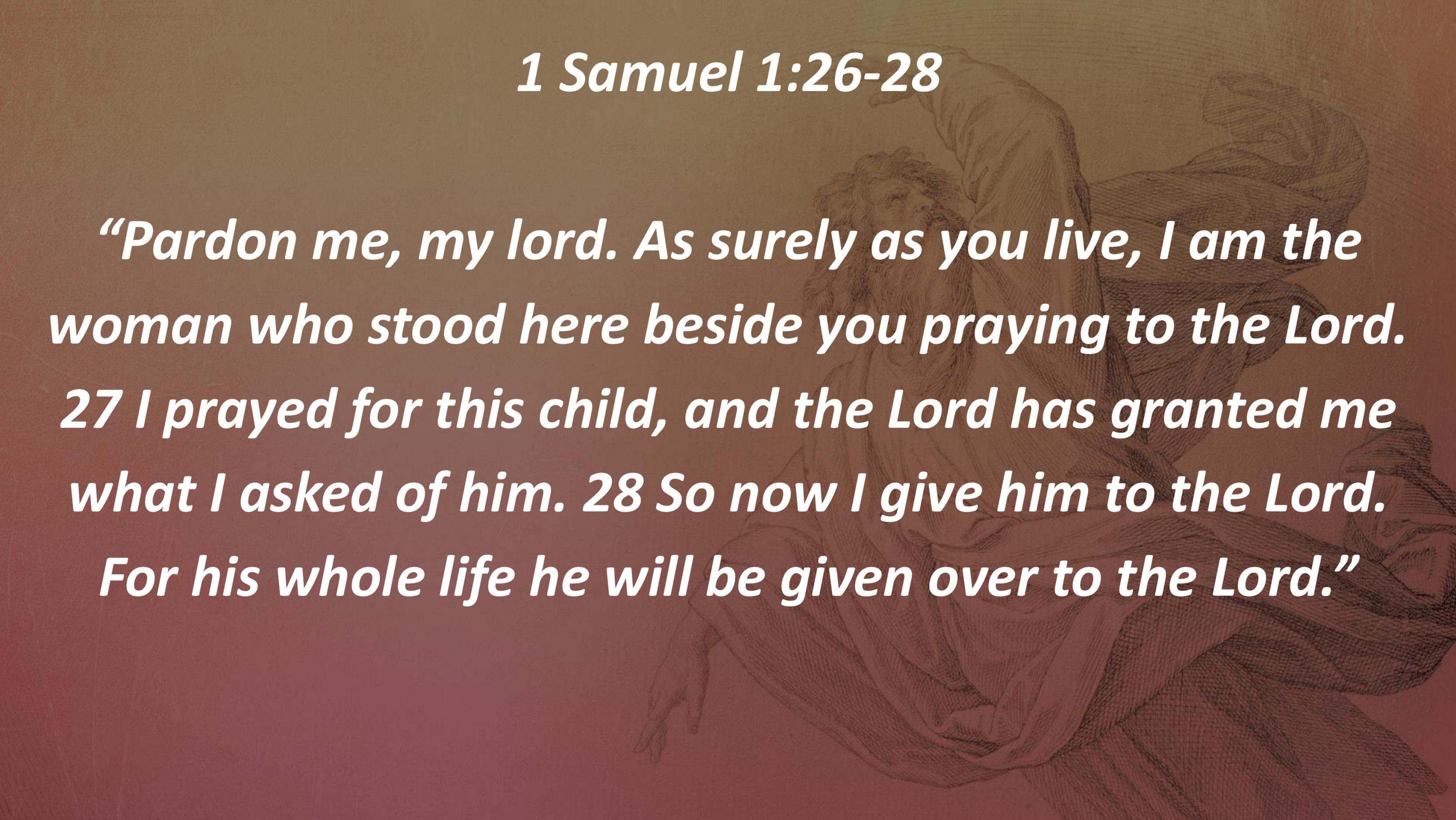
1 SAMUEL 1-2:11; 3:1-19

1 Samuel 1:10-11

10 In her deep anguish Hannah prayed to the Lord, weeping bitterly. 11 And she made a vow, saying, "Lord Almighty, if you will only look on your servant's misery and remember me, and not forget your servant but give her a son, then I will give him to the Lord for all the days of his life, and no razor will ever be used on his head."

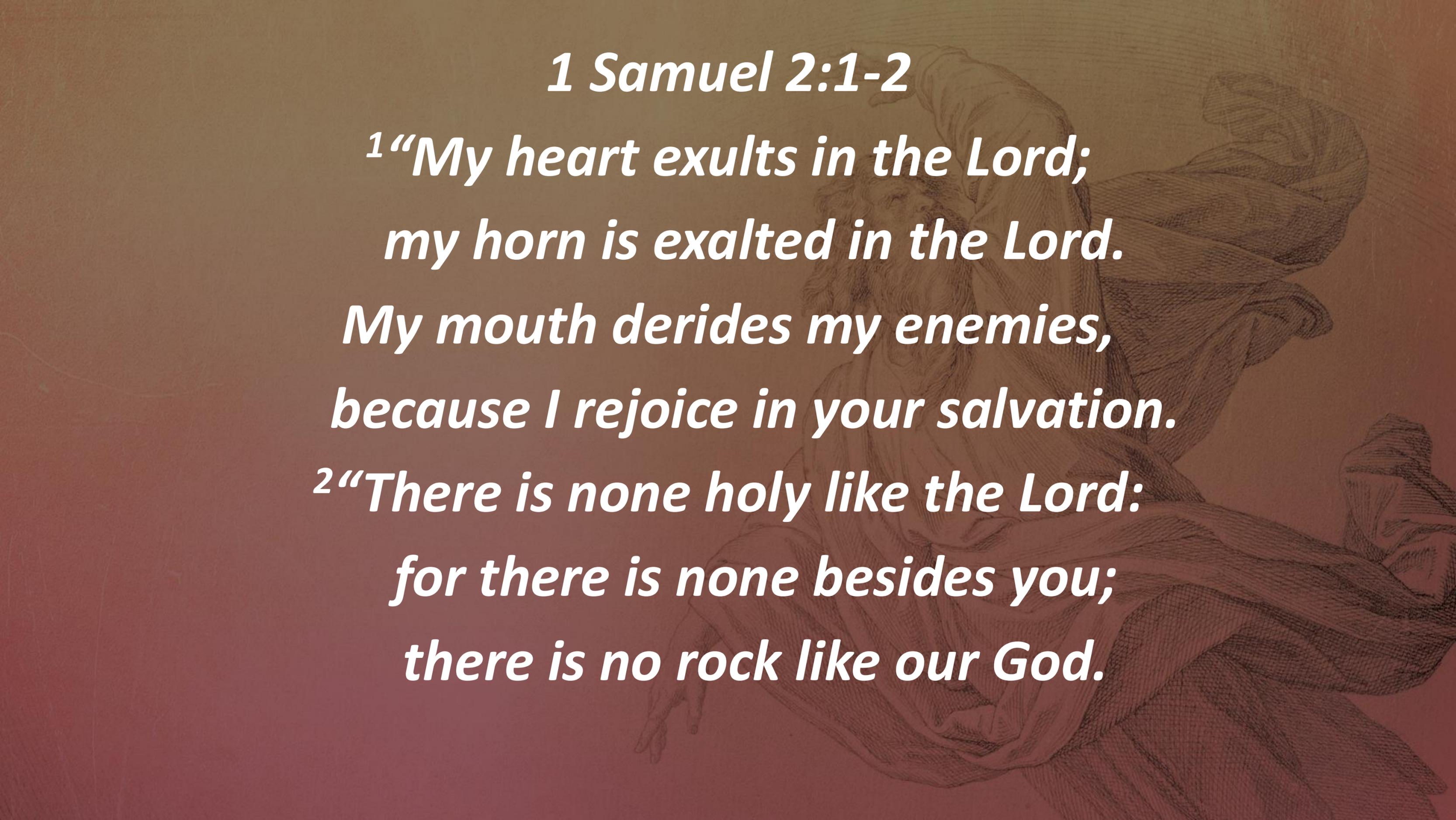
1 Samuel 1:26-28

“Pardon me, my lord. As surely as you live, I am the woman who stood here beside you praying to the Lord. 27 I prayed for this child, and the Lord has granted me what I asked of him. 28 So now I give him to the Lord. For his whole life he will be given over to the Lord.”



1 Samuel 2:1-2

*¹“My heart exults in the Lord;
my horn is exalted in the Lord.
My mouth derides my enemies,
because I rejoice in your salvation.
²“There is none holy like the Lord:
for there is none besides you;
there is no rock like our God.*

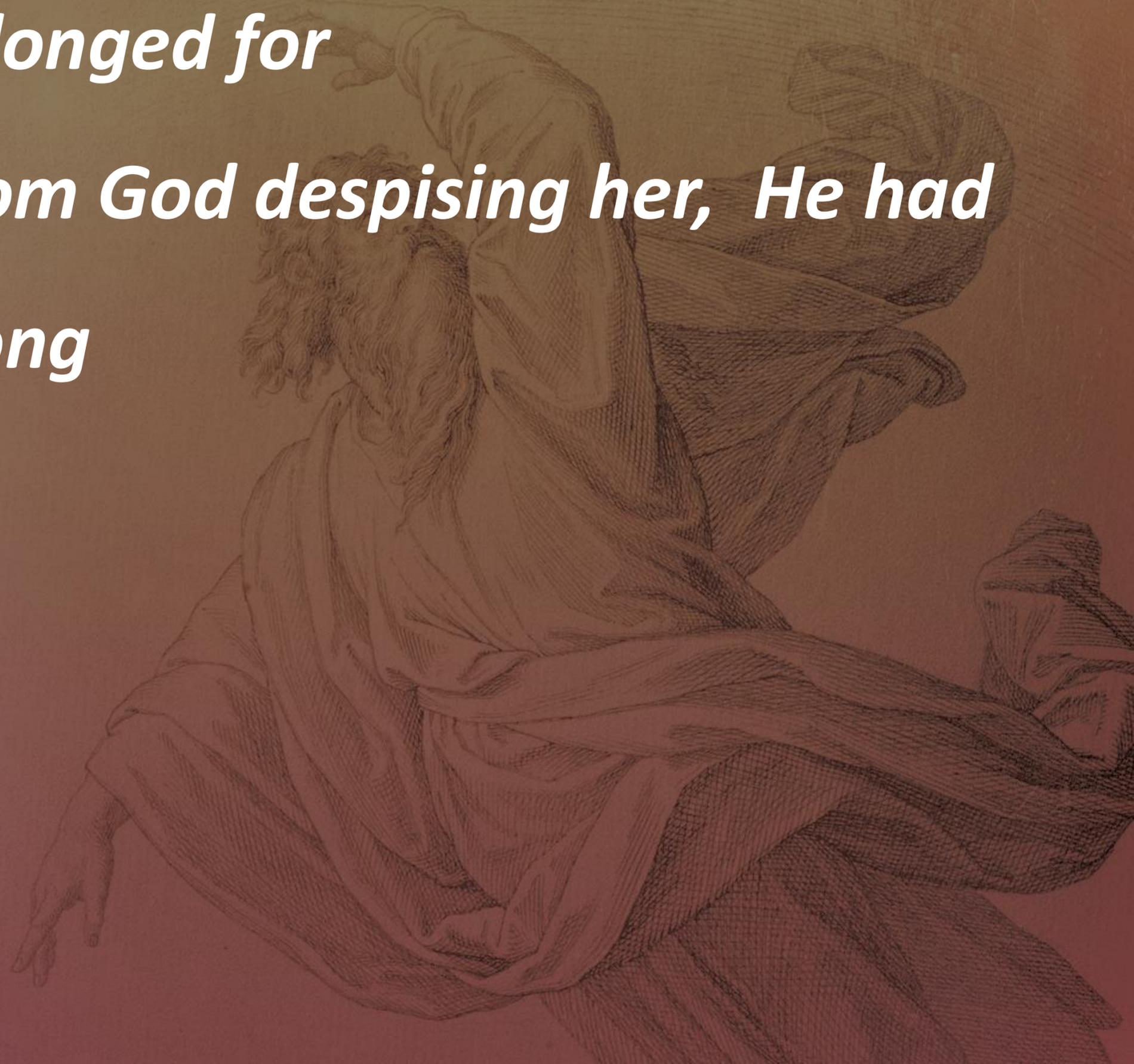


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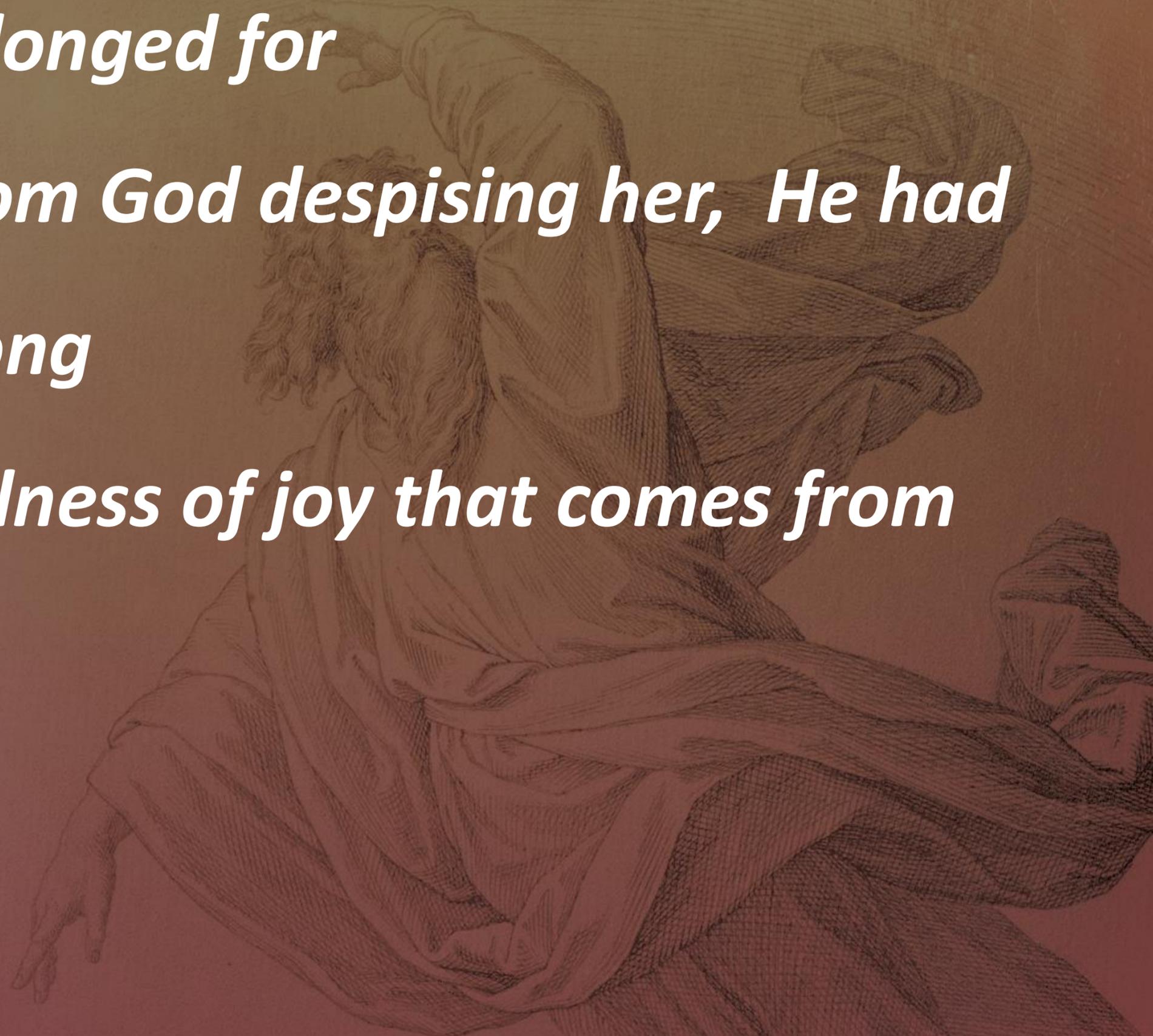
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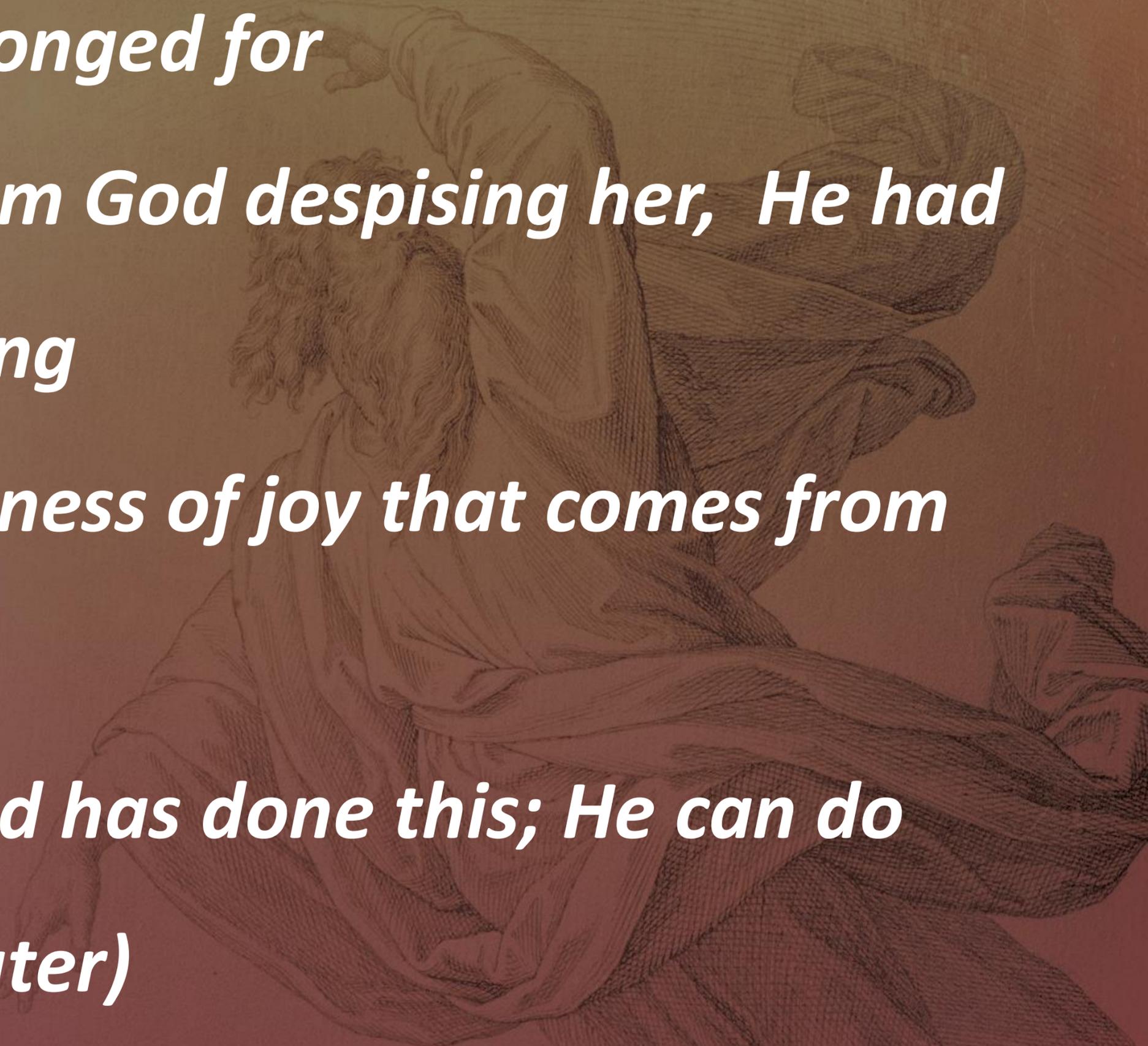


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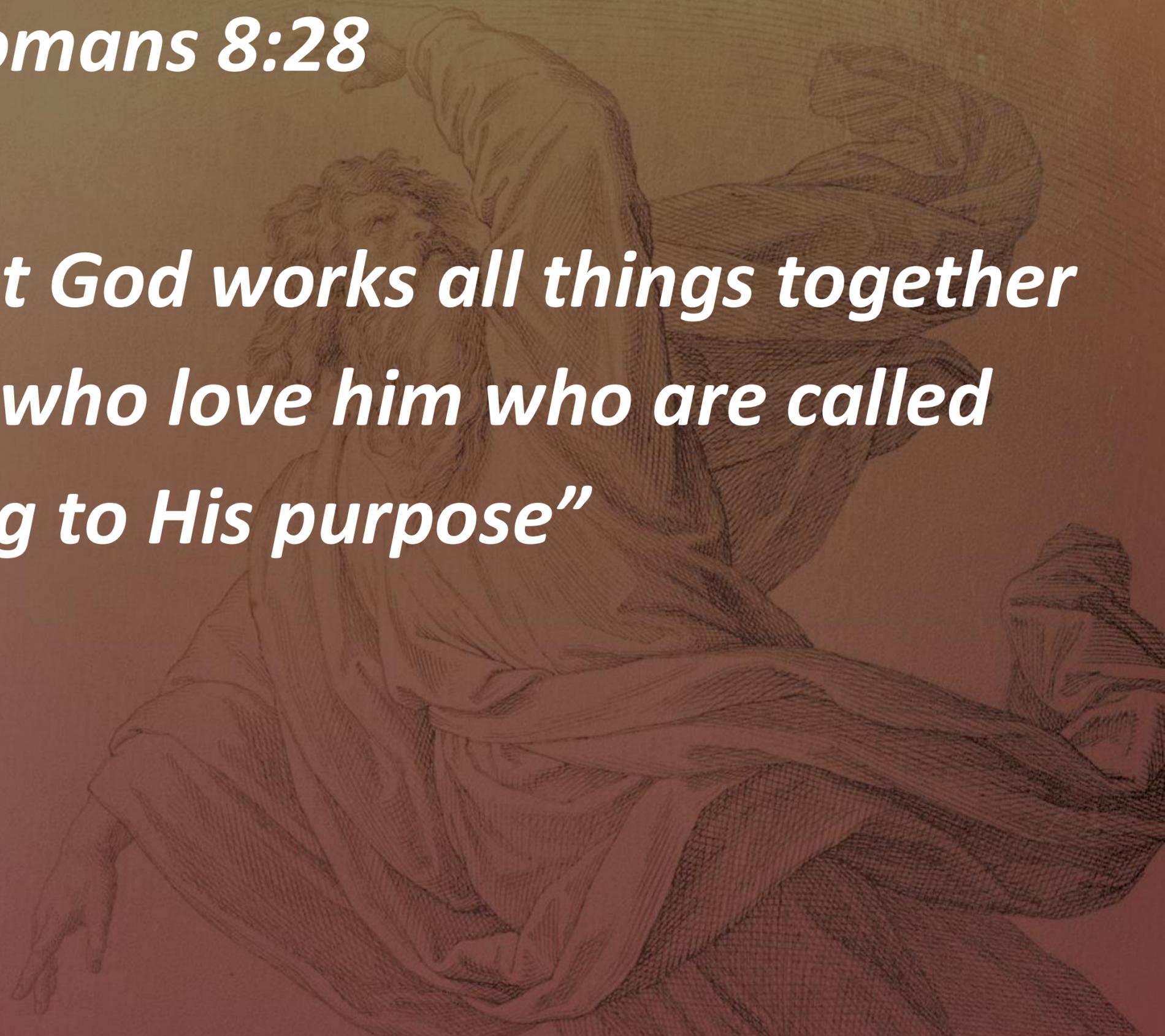
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4. She has assurance. God has done this; He can do anything. (lesser to greater)



Romans 8:28

28 “We know in fact that God works all things together for good with those who love him who are called according to His purpose”

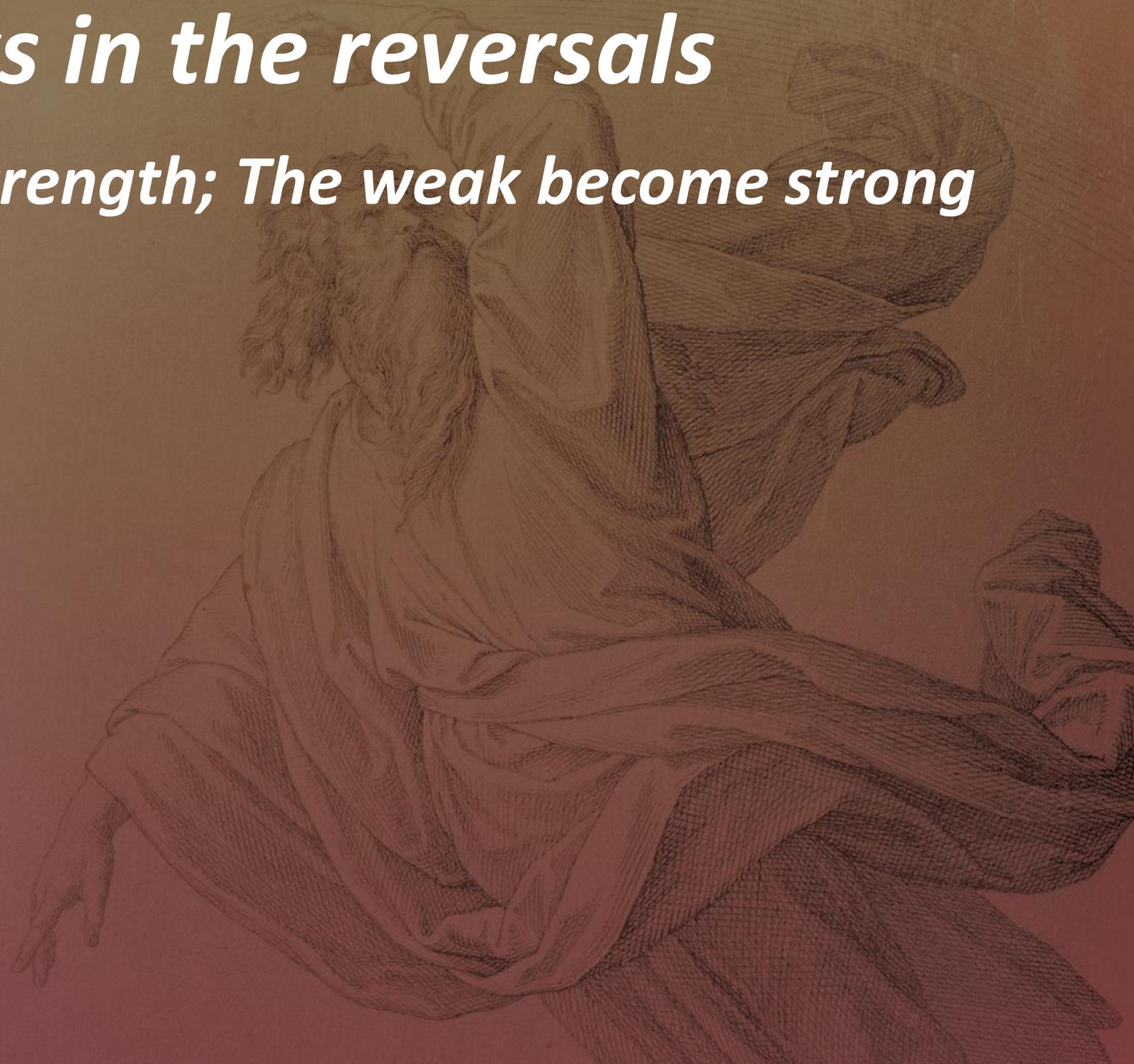


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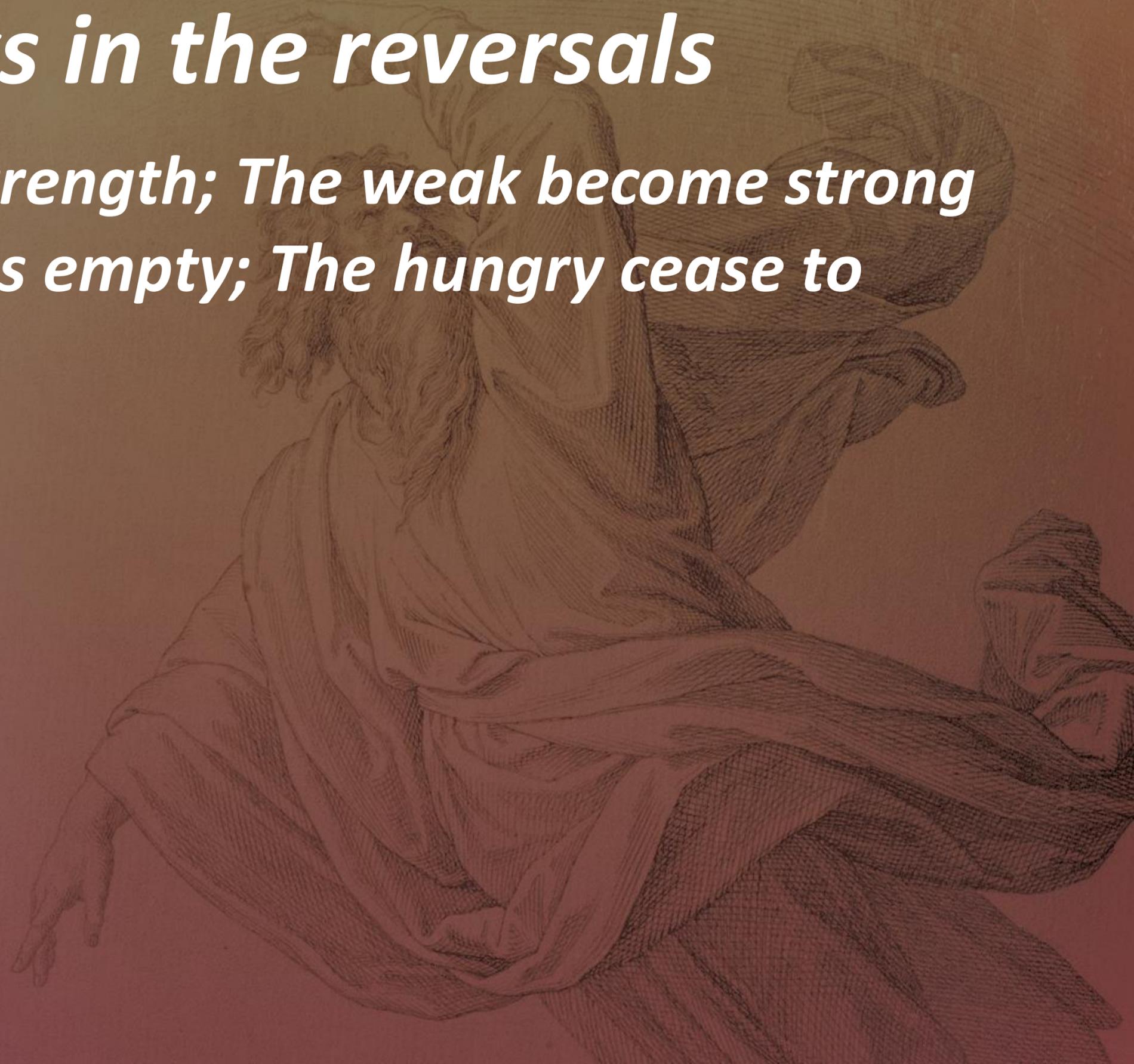
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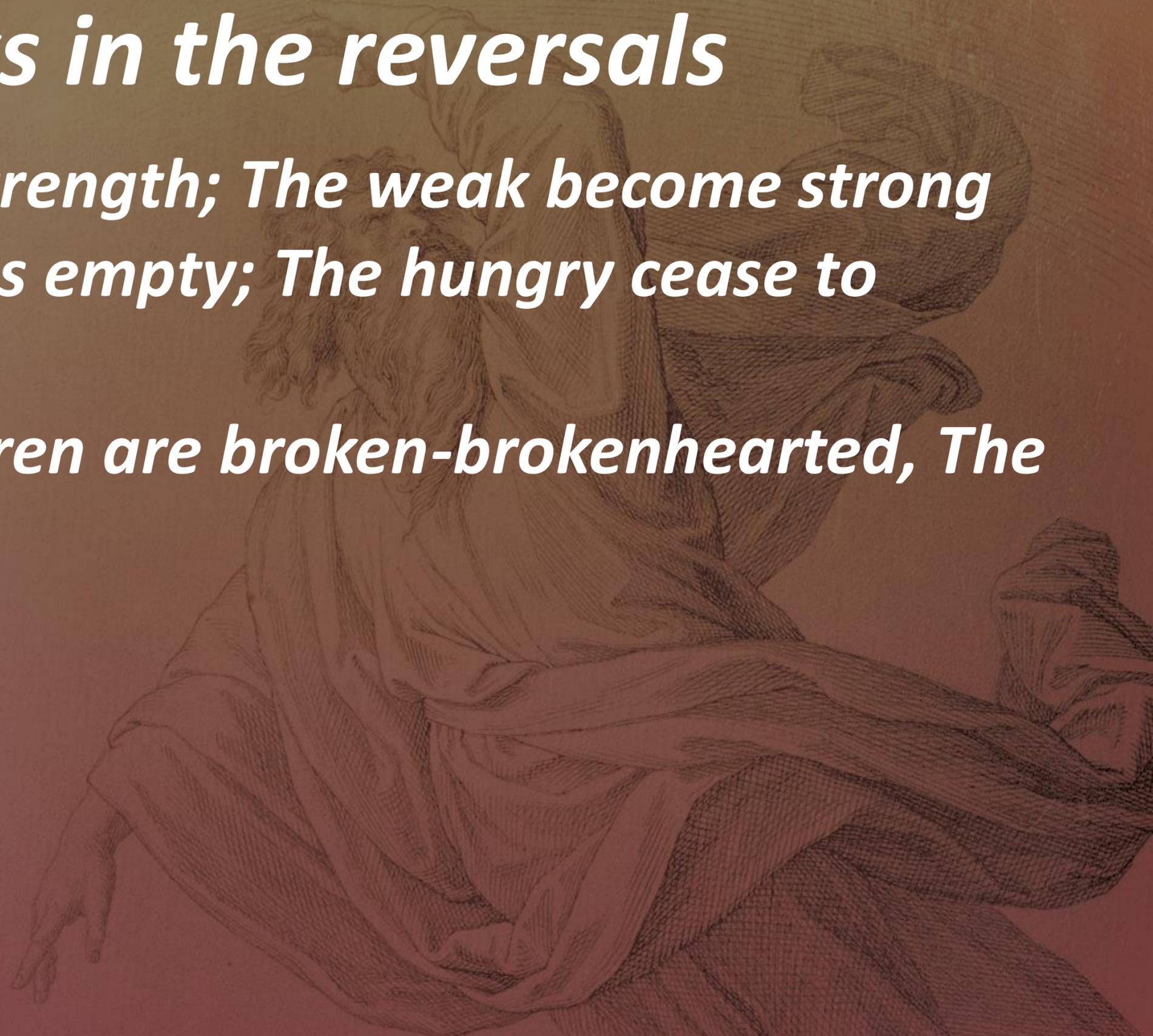
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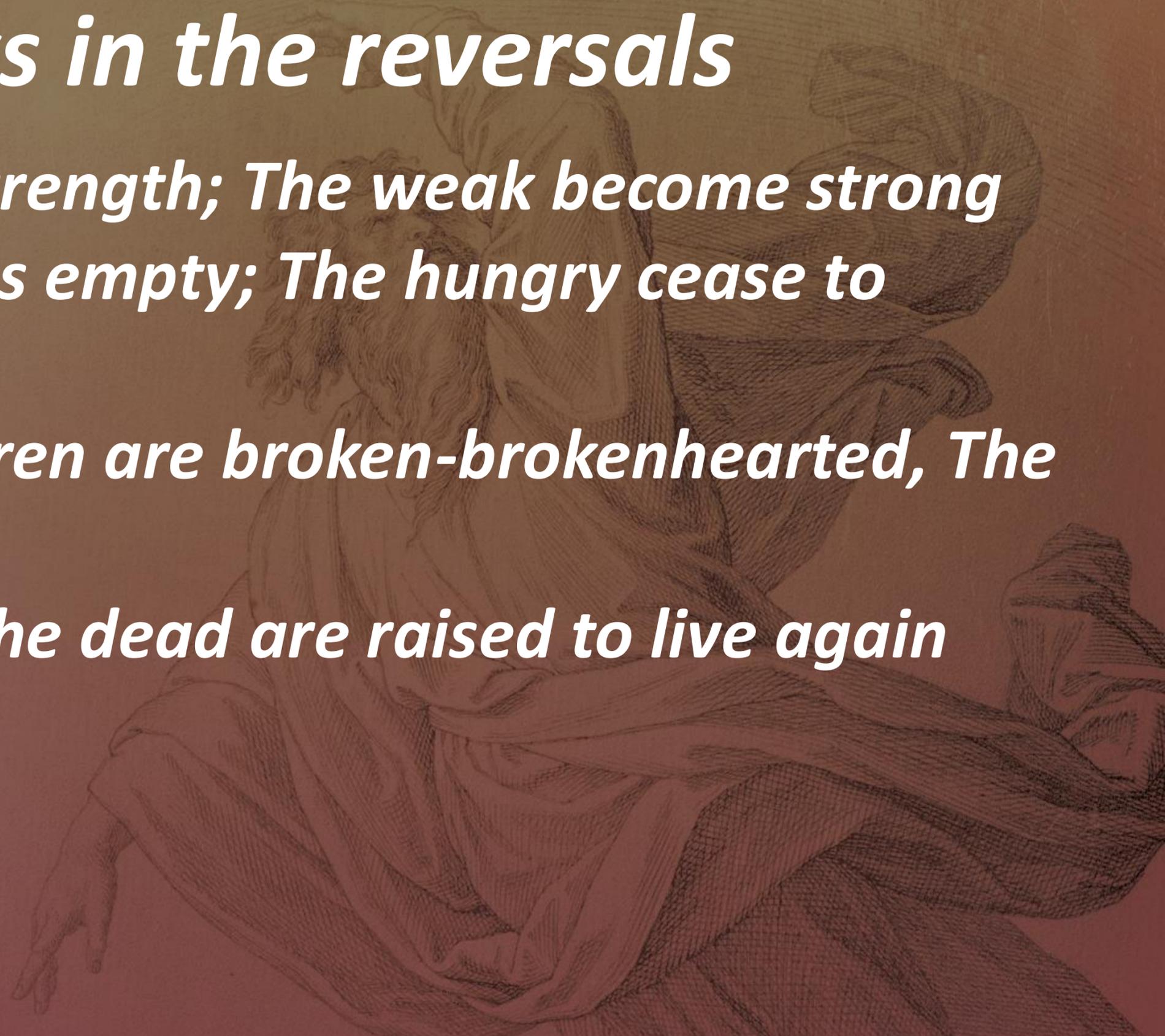
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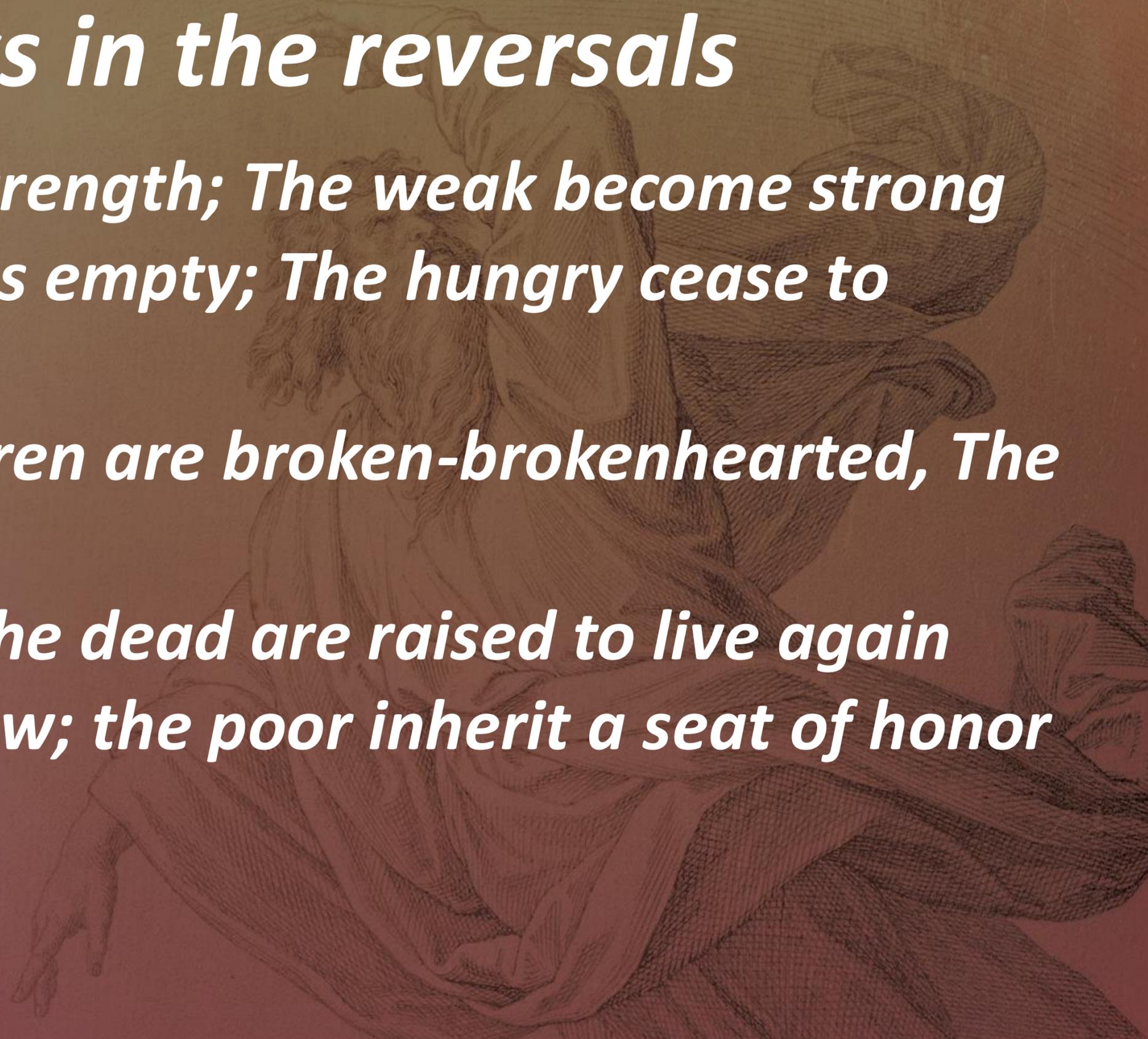


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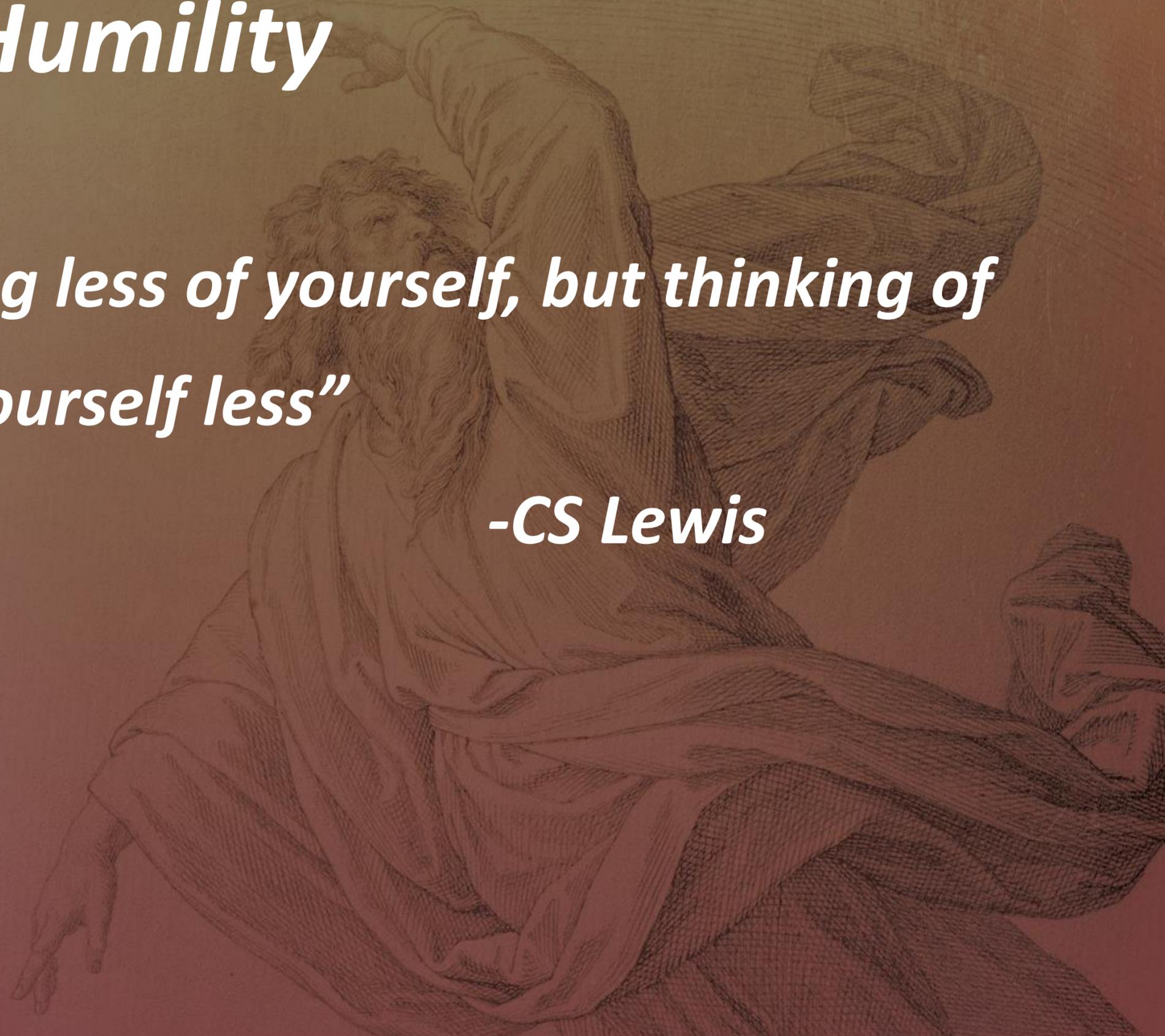
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Humility

“Humility is not thinking less of yourself, but thinking of yourself less”

-CS Lewis

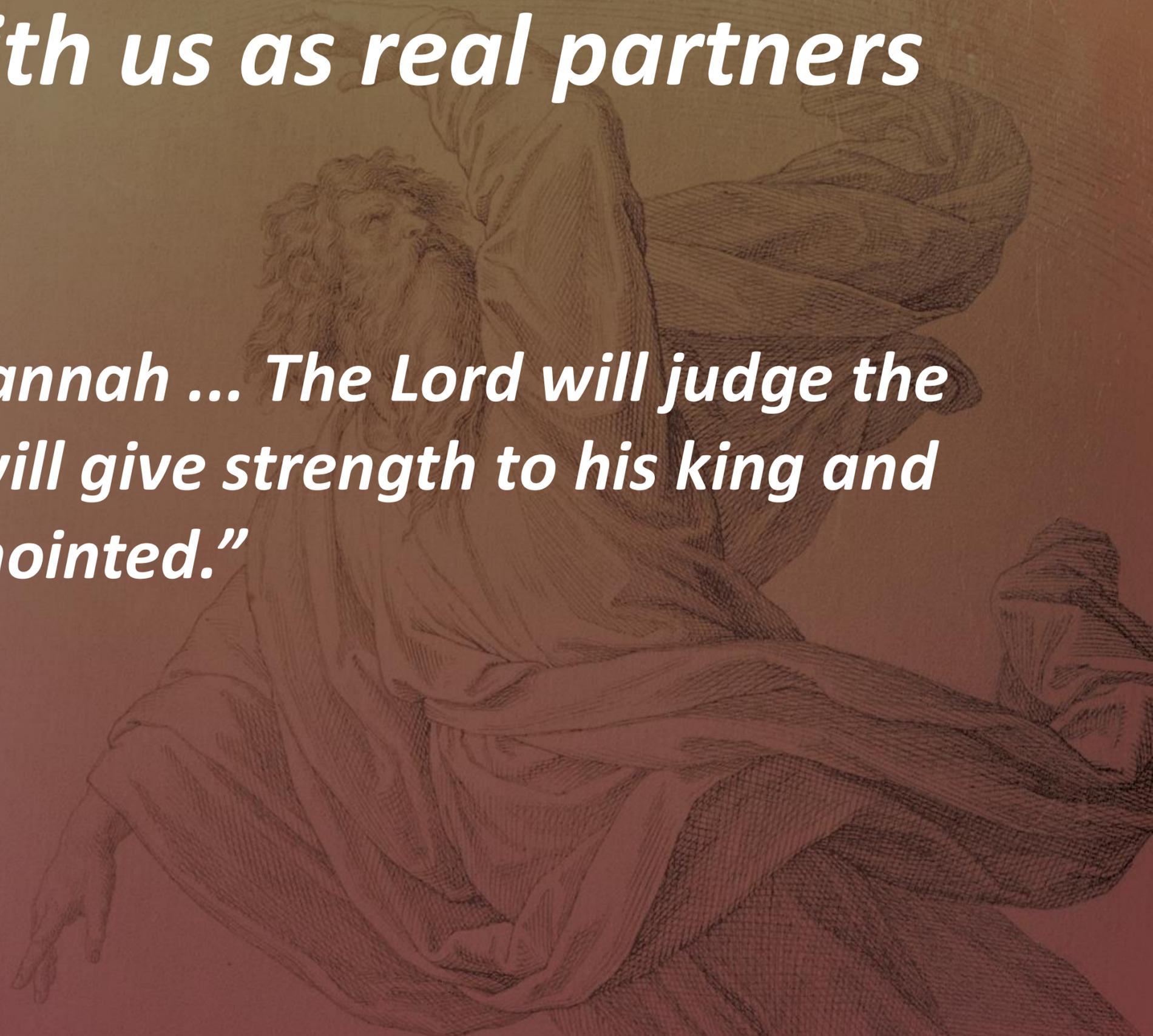


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- 2. Hannah is like Father Abraham except she doesn't wait for God to ask, she offers and makes a promise to God.*

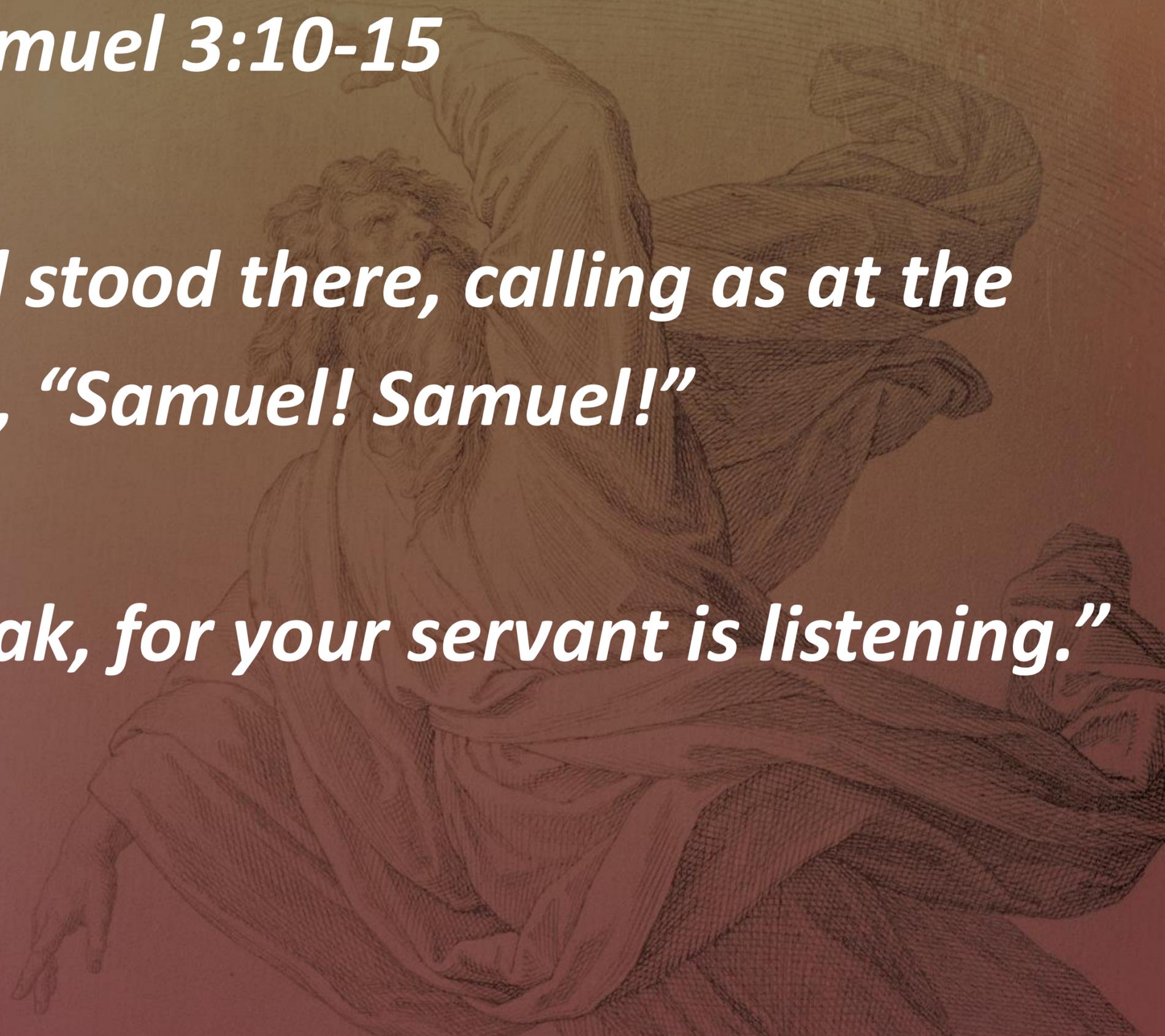
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really listen.***



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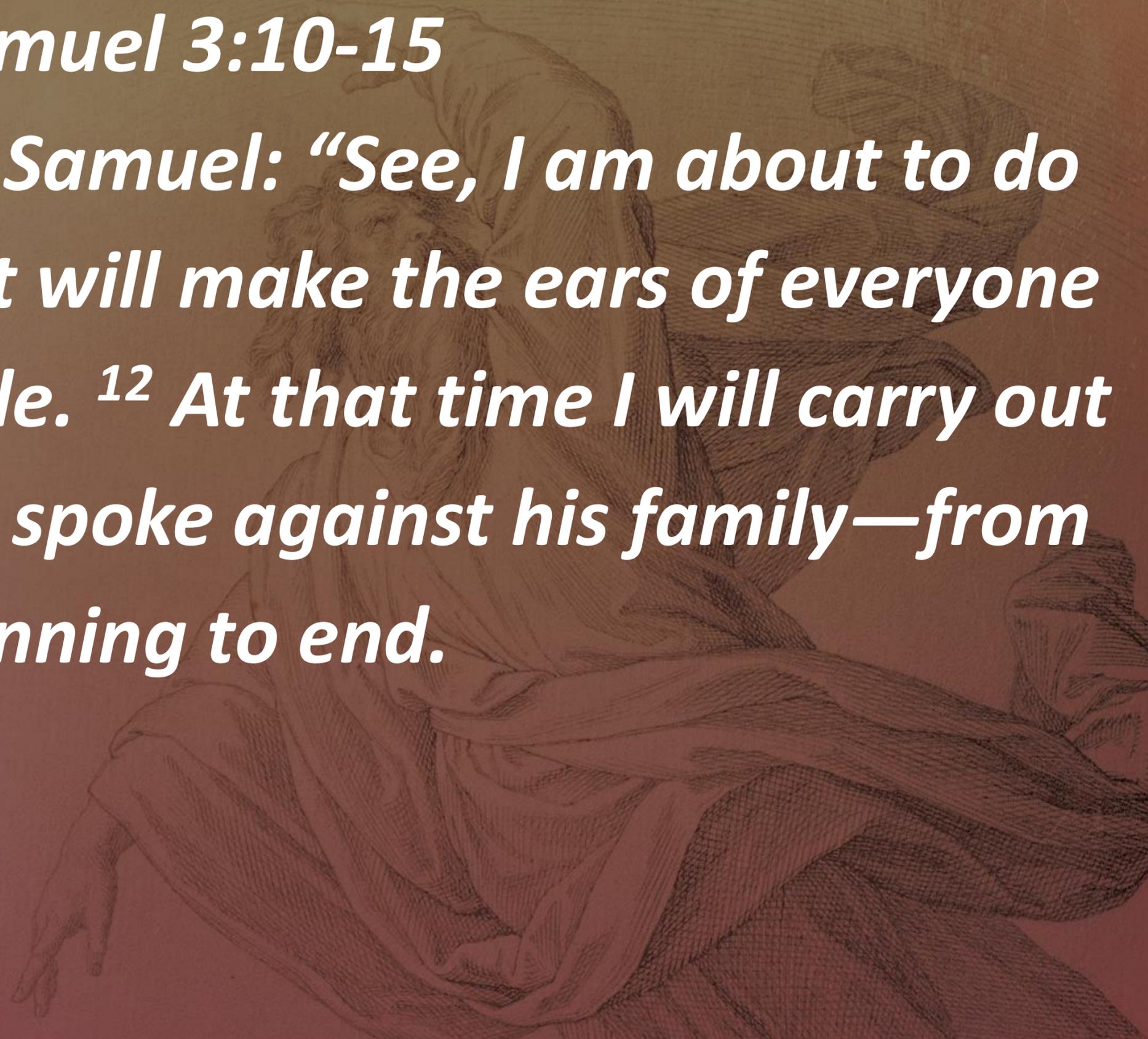
¹⁰ The Lord came and stood there, calling as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!"

Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."



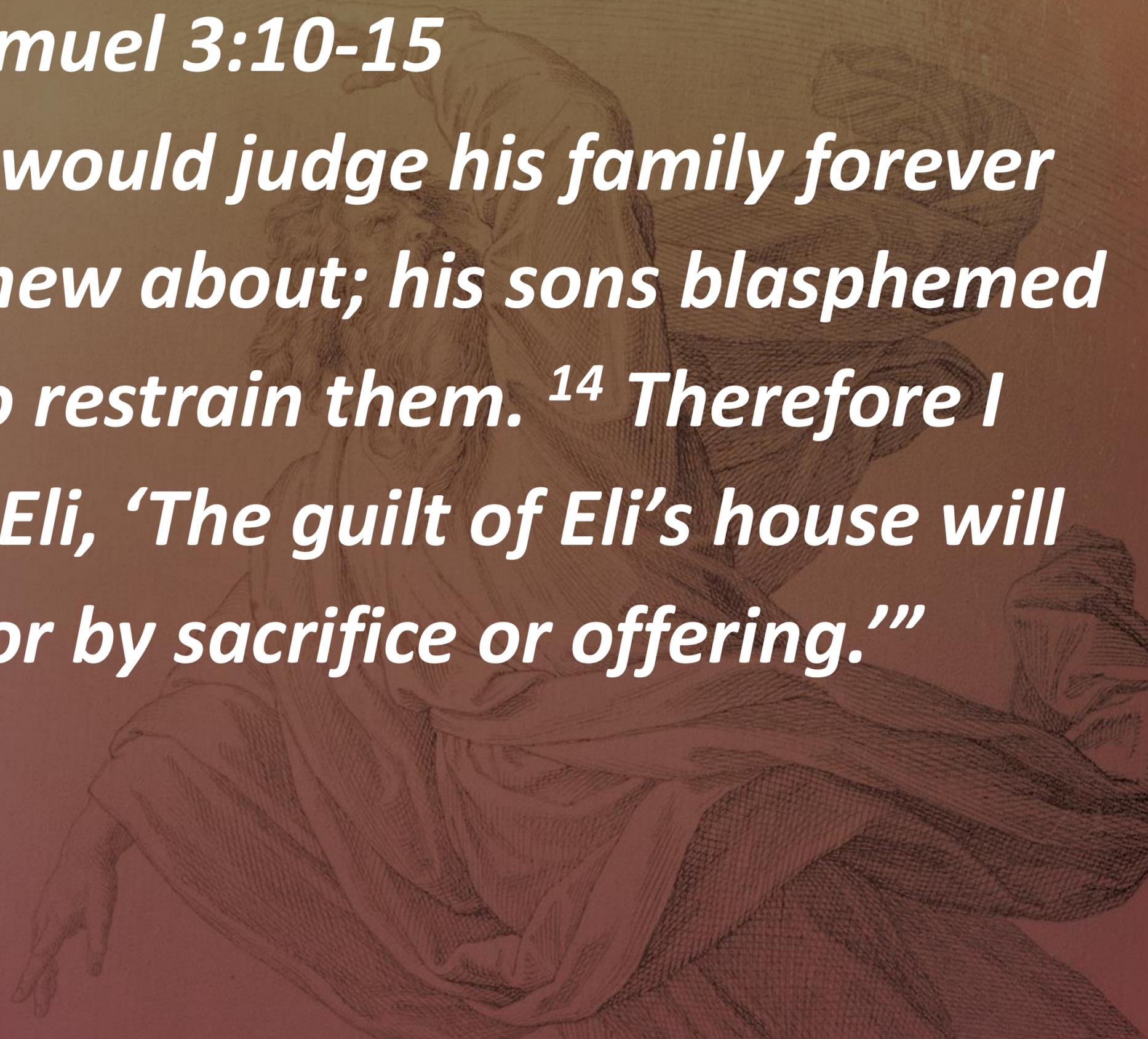
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¹¹ And the Lord said to Samuel: “See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make the ears of everyone who hears about it tingle. ¹² At that time I will carry out against Eli everything I spoke against his family—from beginning to end.



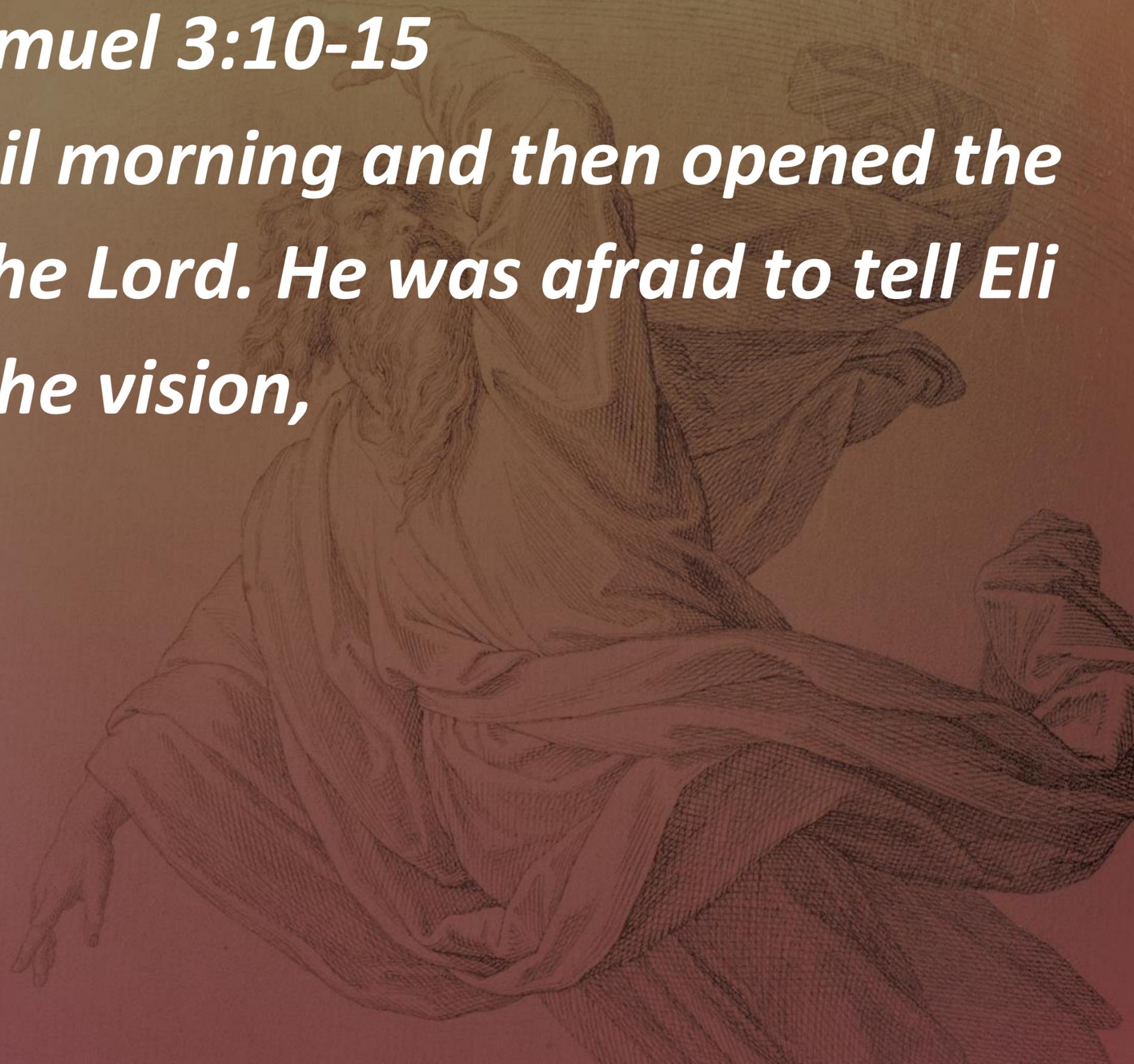
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¹³ For I told him that I would judge his family forever because of the sin he knew about; his sons blasphemed God, and he failed to restrain them. ¹⁴ Therefore I swore to the house of Eli, ‘The guilt of Eli’s house will never be atoned for by sacrifice or offering.’”

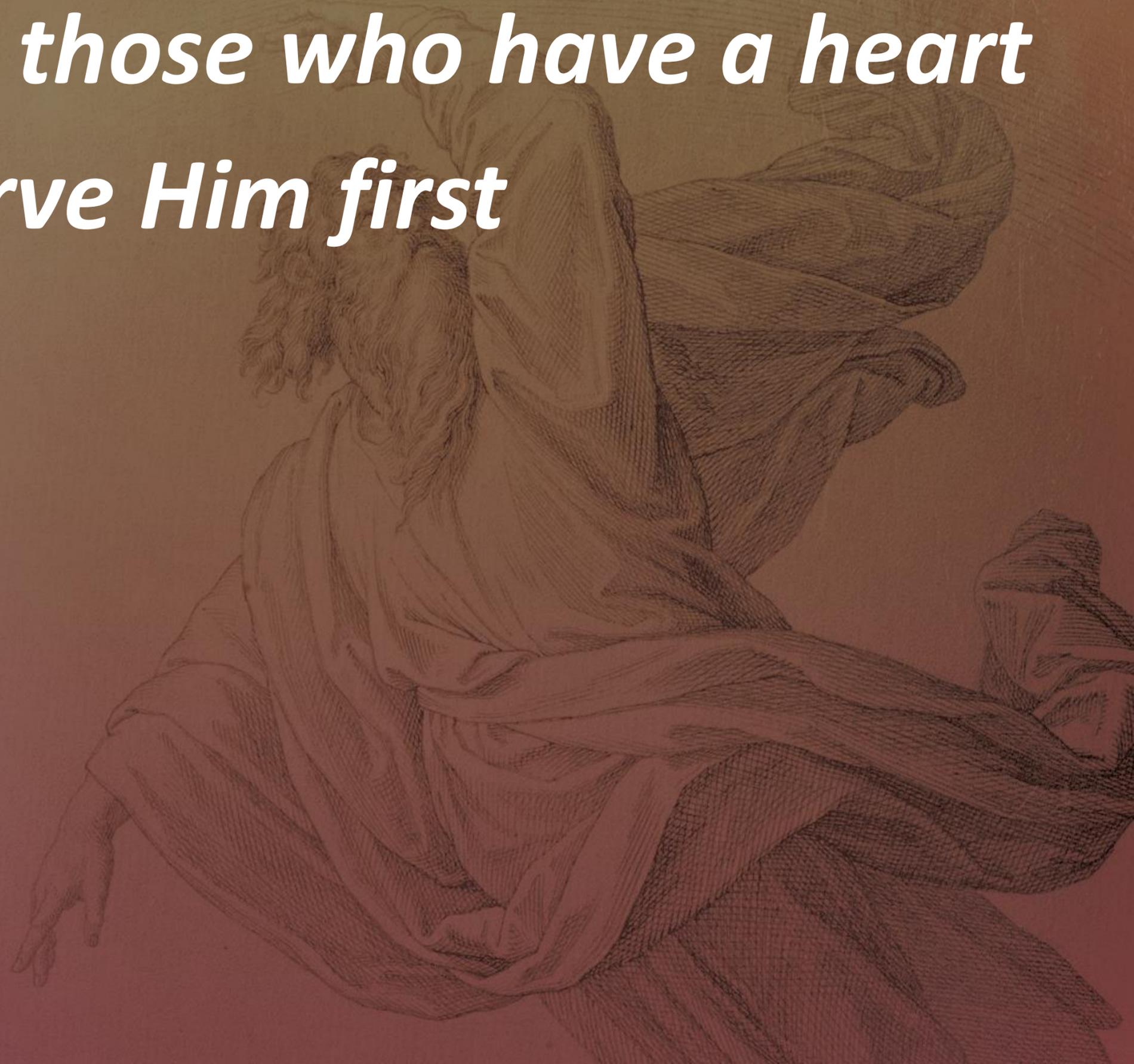


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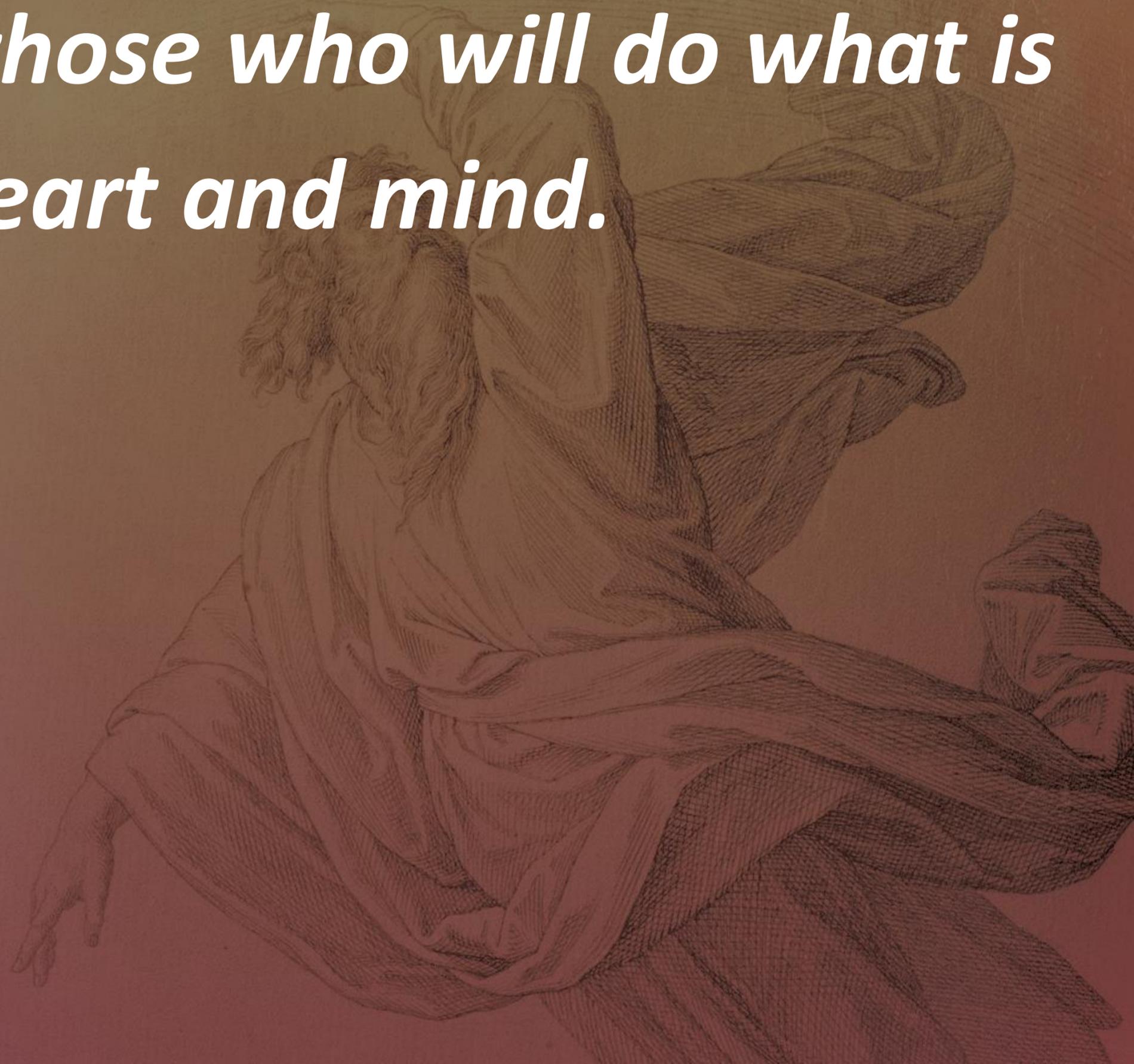
¹⁵ Samuel lay down until morning and then opened the doors of the house of the Lord. He was afraid to tell Eli the vision,



***IV. He works with those who have a heart
to serve Him first***

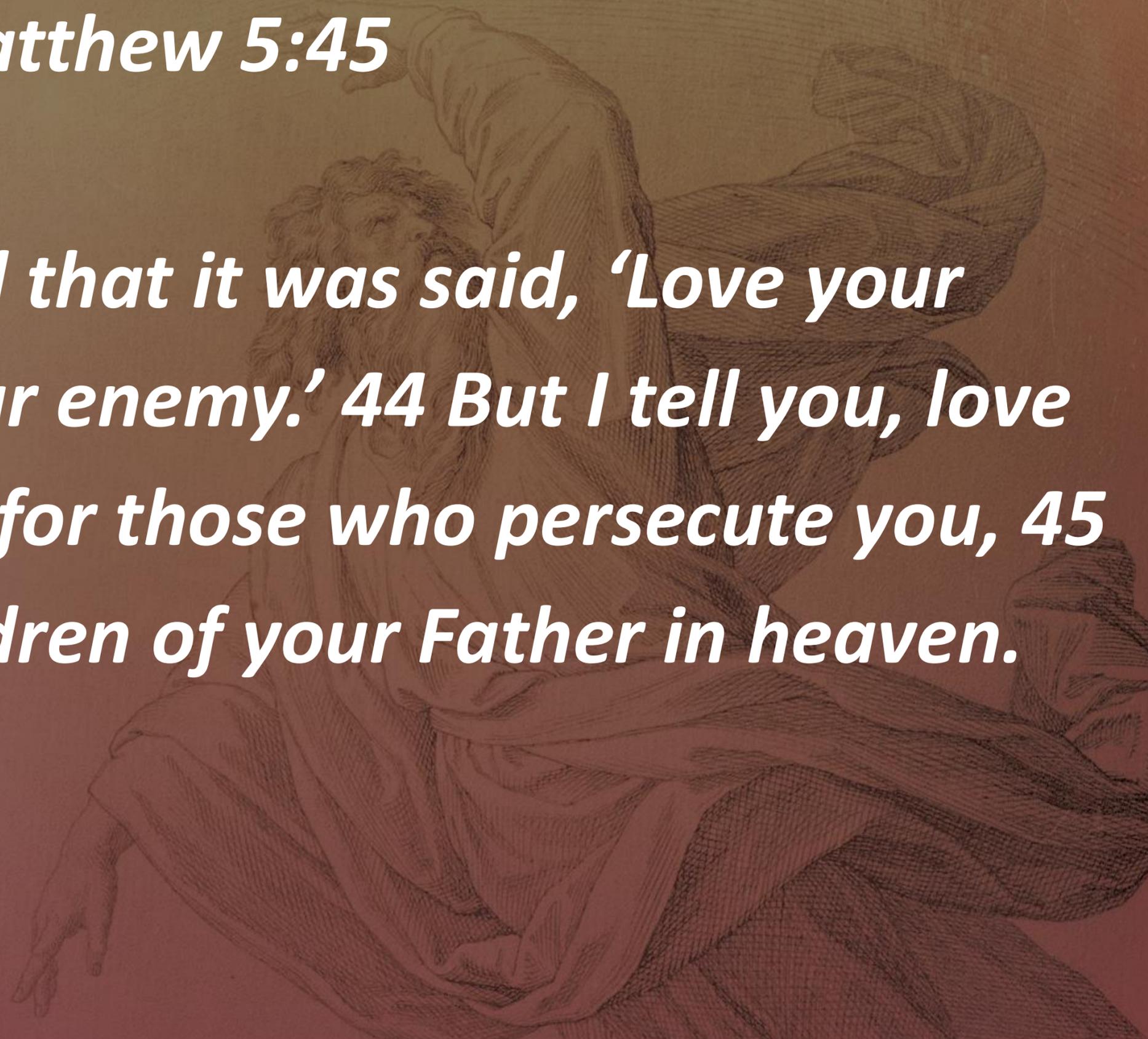


***V. He works with those who will do what is
in His heart and mind.***

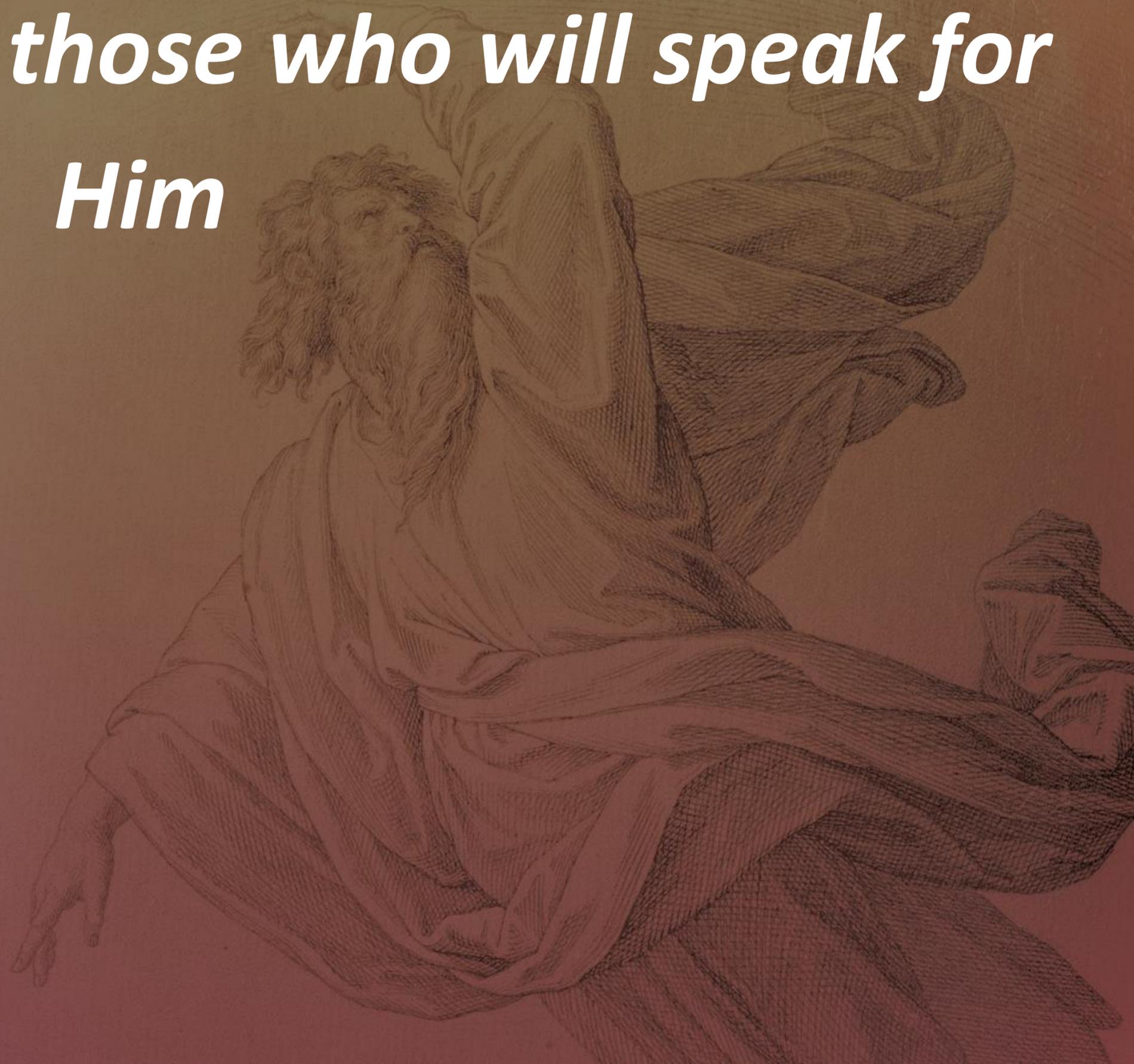


Matthew 5:45

43 “You have heard that it was said, ‘Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ 44 But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, 45 that you may be children of your Father in heaven.



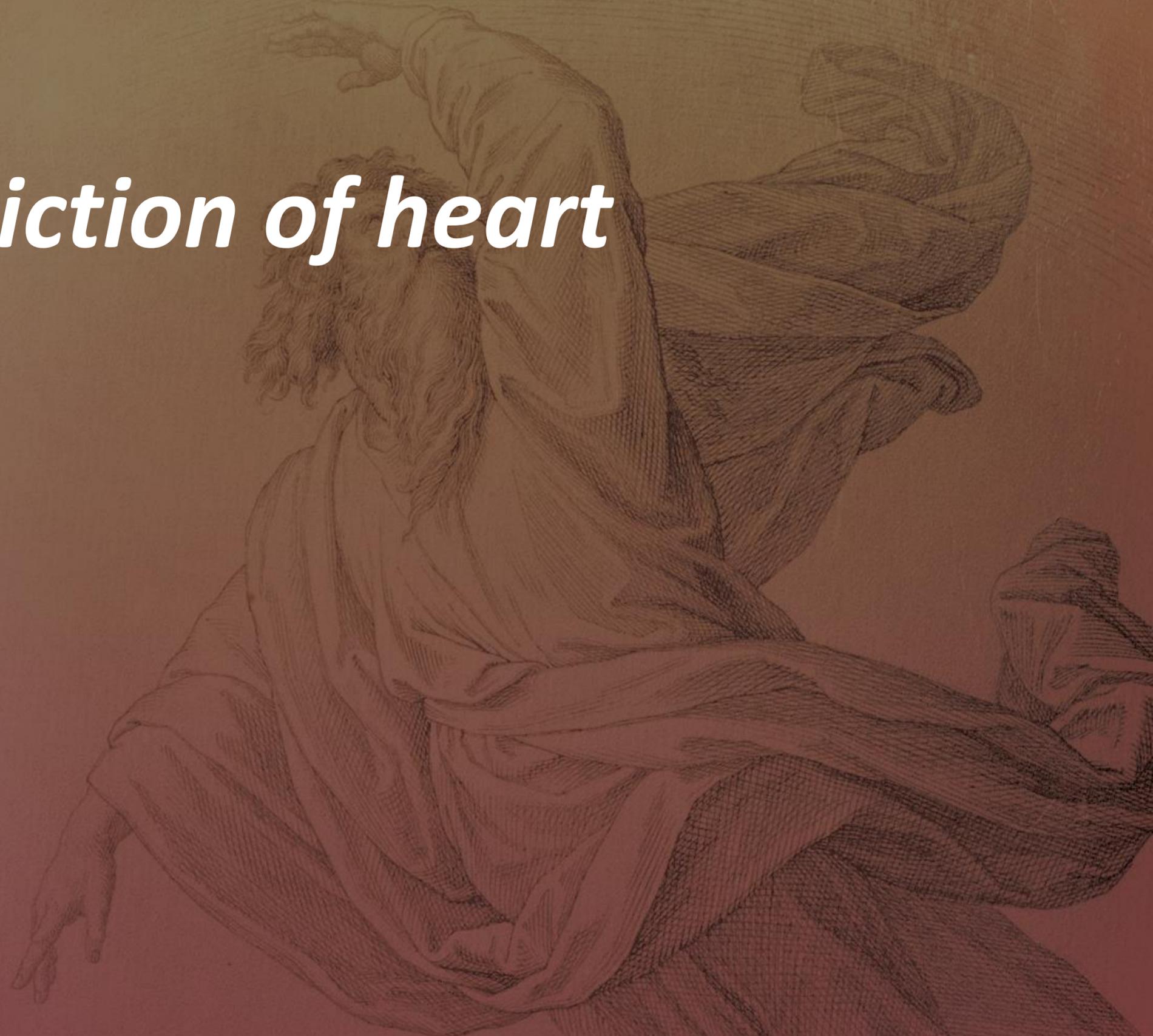
***VI. He works with those who will speak for
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Romans 10:14-15

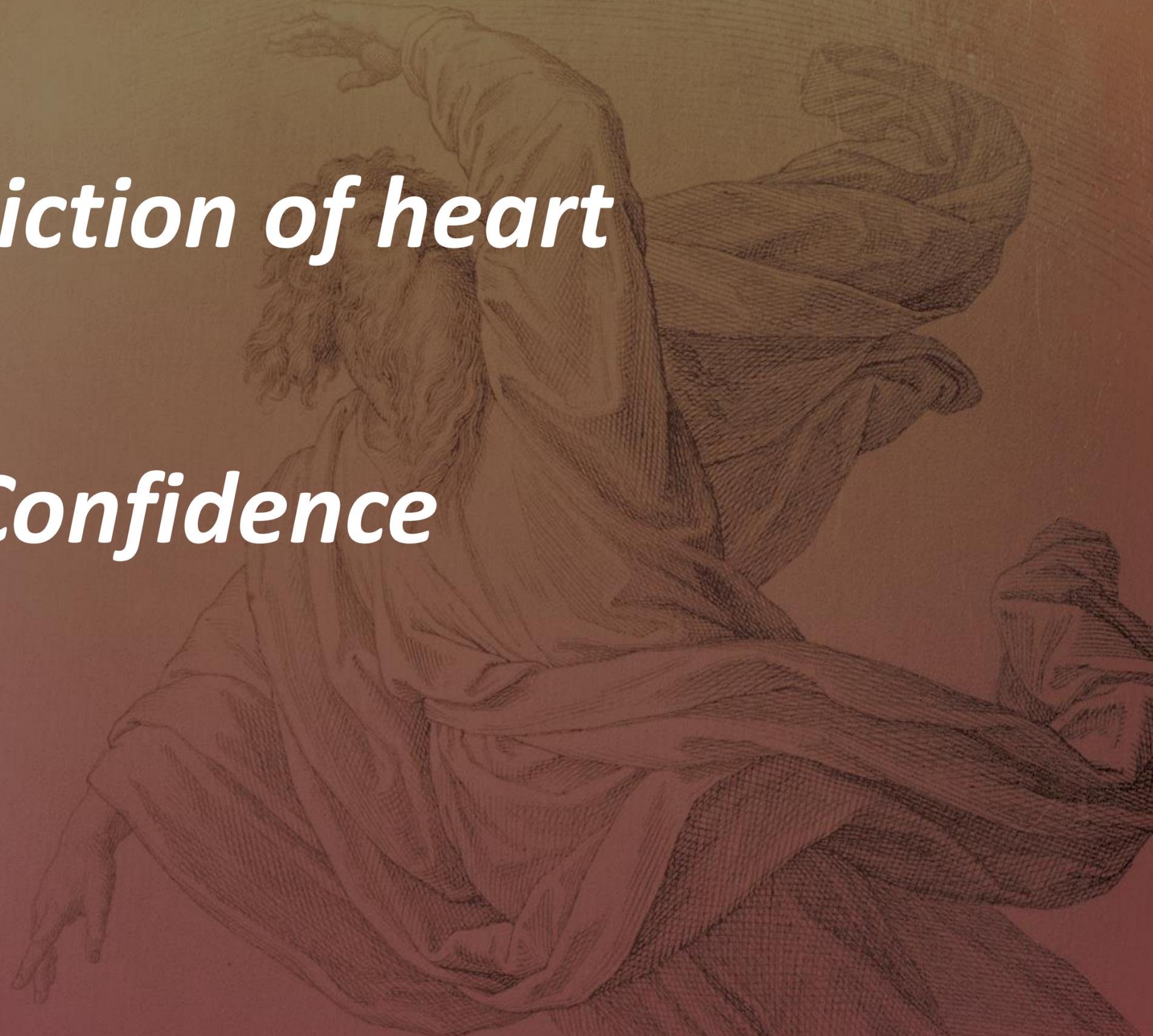
¹⁴ How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? ¹⁵ And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

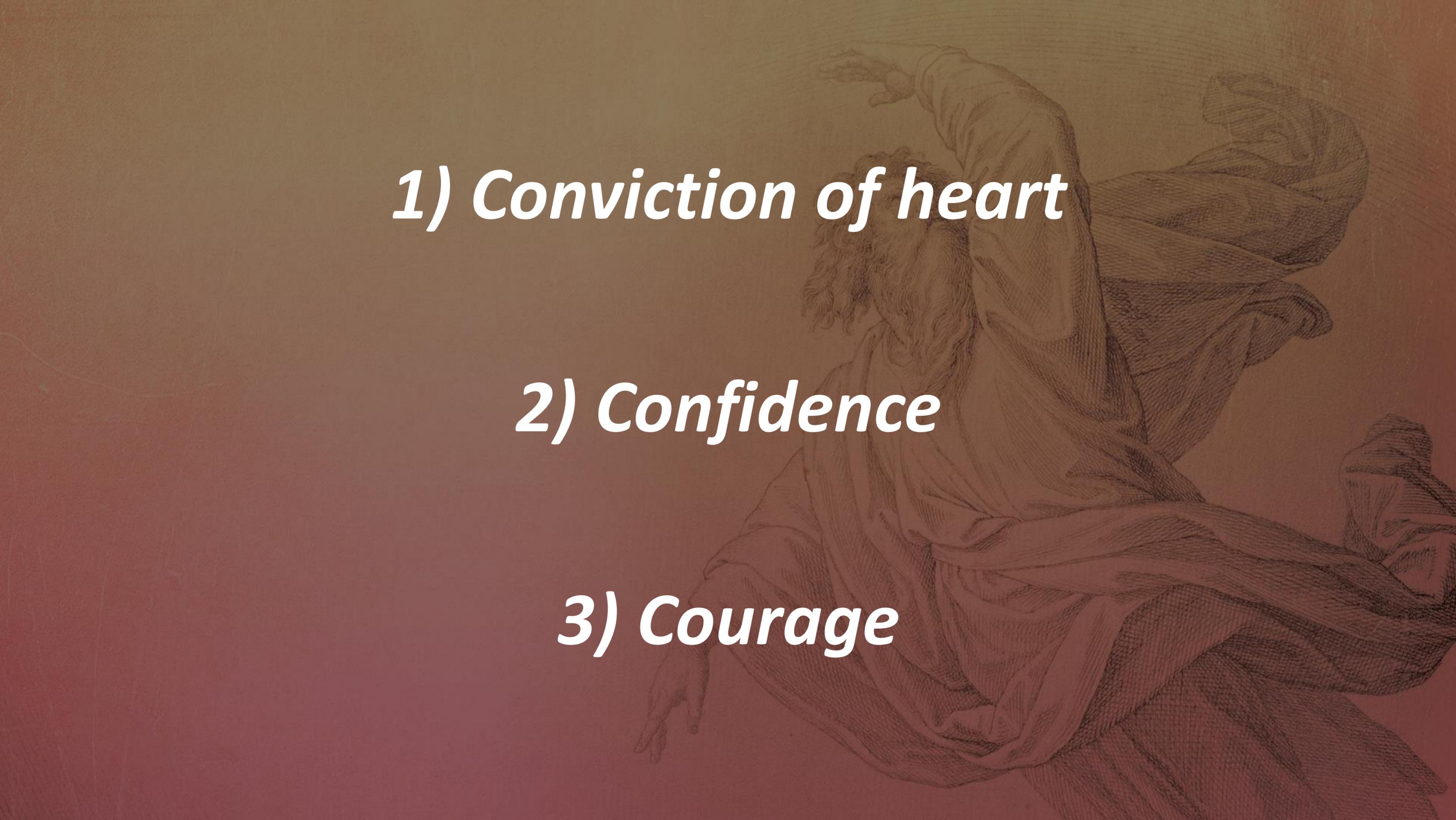
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3) Courage

1 Samuel 3:20-21

And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba recognized that Samuel was attested as a prophet of the Lord. 21 The Lord continued to appear at Shiloh, and there he revealed himself to Samuel through his word.

