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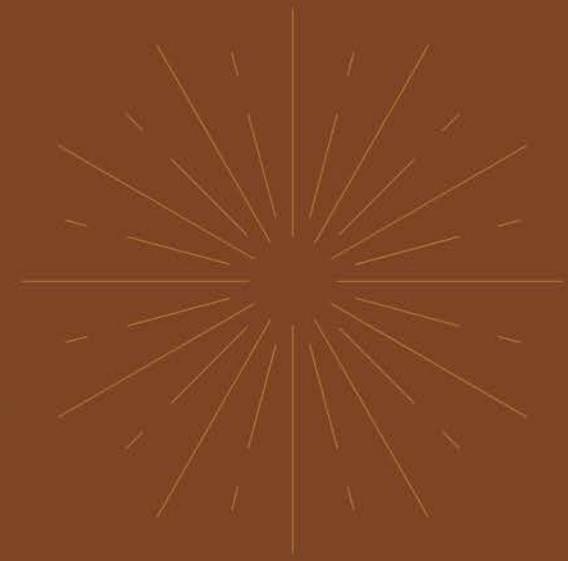
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May Life in the Word Series:  
'From Such Turn Away'

FOUNDATION  
SCRIPTURE:

*II Timothy 3:1-5*



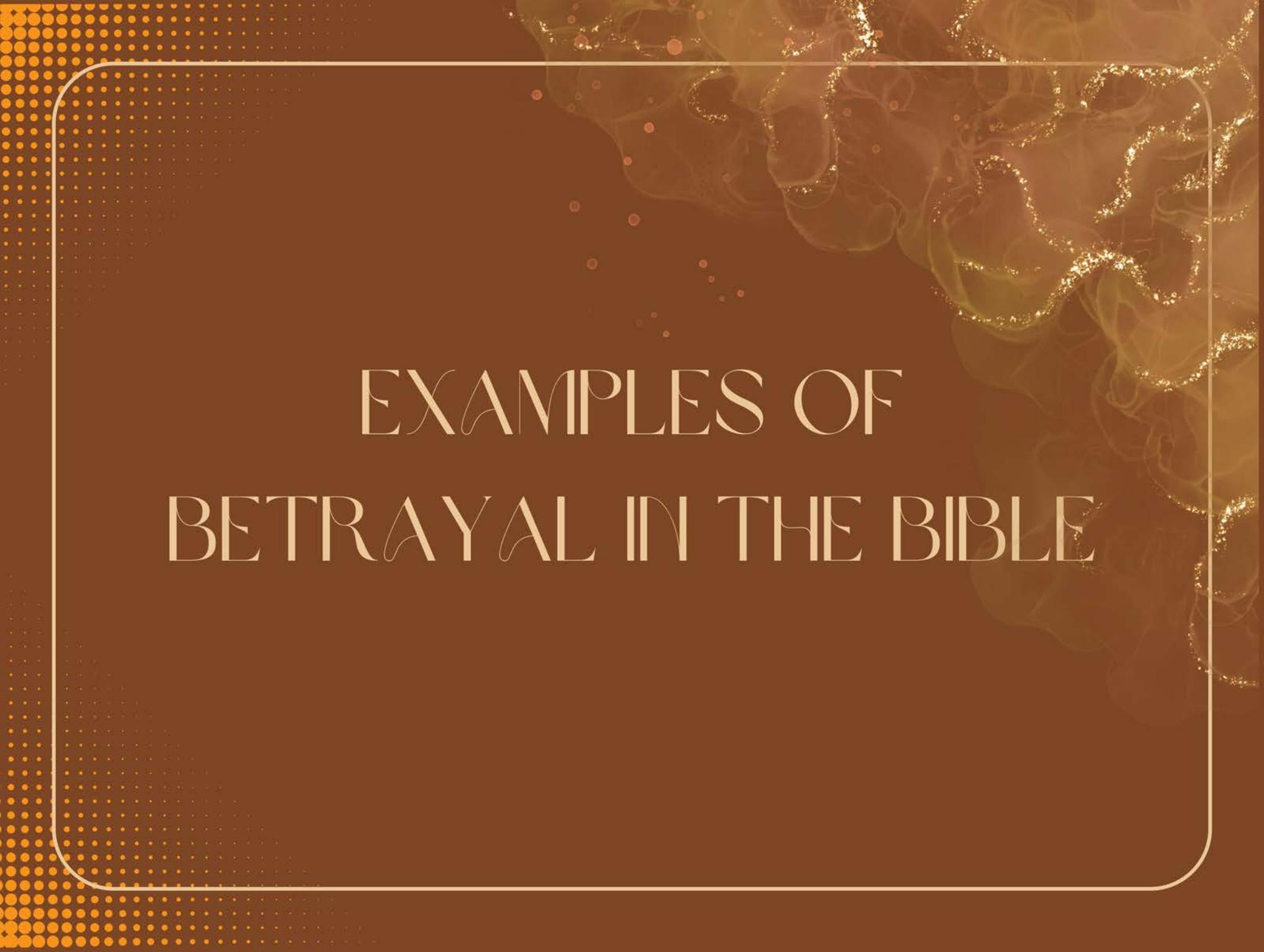
## *II Timothy 3:1-5*

But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!

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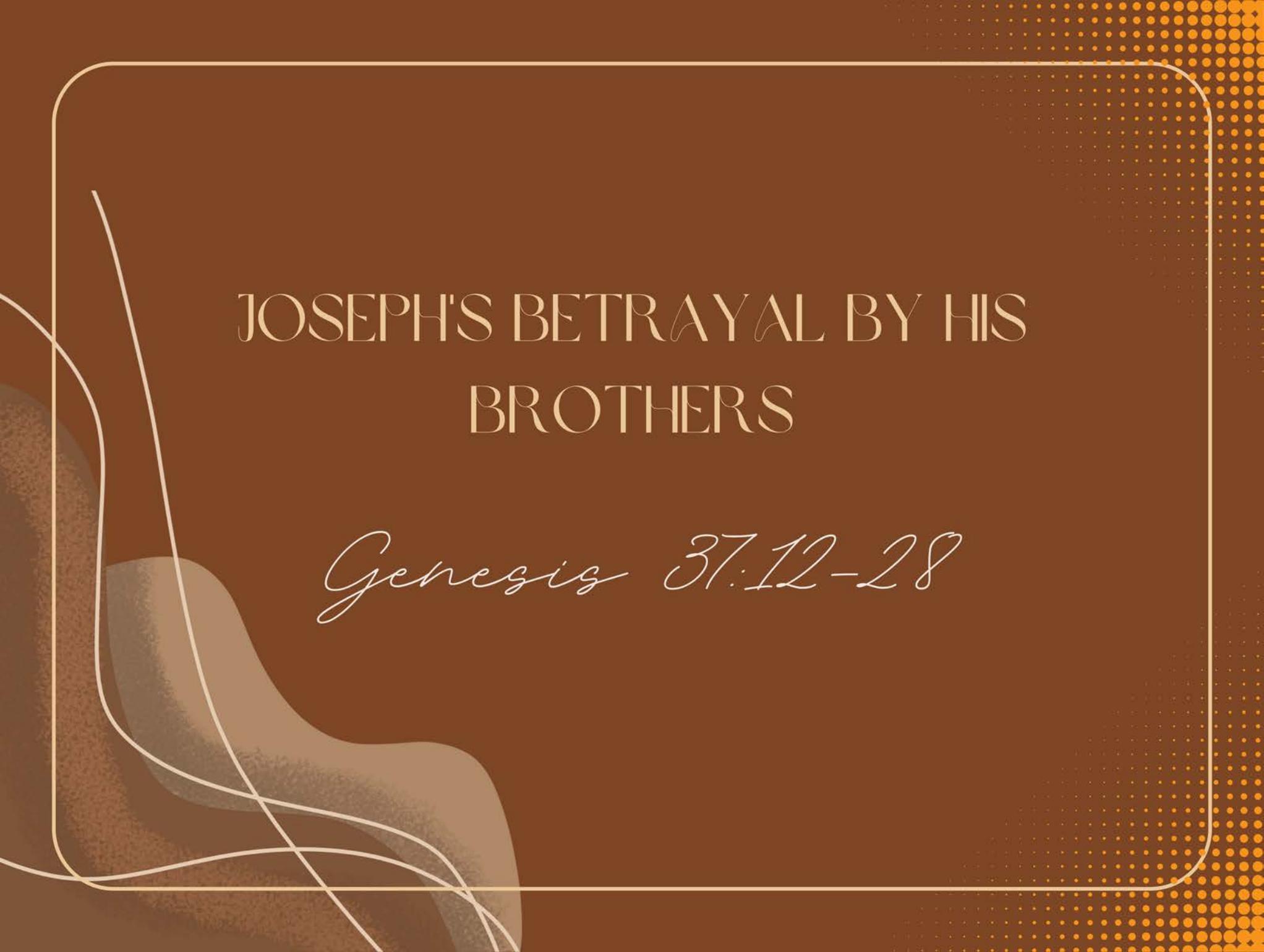
# EXAMPLES OF BETRAYAL IN THE BIBLE

DAVID'S BETRAYAL BY  
AHITHOPHEL

*II Timothy 3:1-5*

JOB'S FRIENDS TURN  
AGAINST HIM

*Job 16:20-21*



# JOSEPH'S BETRAYAL BY HIS BROTHERS

*Genesis 37:12-28*

JUDAS ISCARIOT BETRAYS  
JESUS

*Matthew 26:47-50*



THREE SCRIPTURES  
PROVIDING COMFORT IN  
TIMES OF BETRAYAL:

## *Psalm 55:12-14*

For it is not an enemy who taunts me—  
then I could bear it; it is not an adversary  
who deals insolently with me— then I could  
hide from him. But it is you, a man, my  
equal, my companion, my familiar friend.  
We used to take sweet counsel together;  
within God's house we walked in the  
throng."

*Psalm 27:10*

Though my father and mother forsake me,  
the LORD will receive me."

## *Romans 12:17-21*

Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.'"

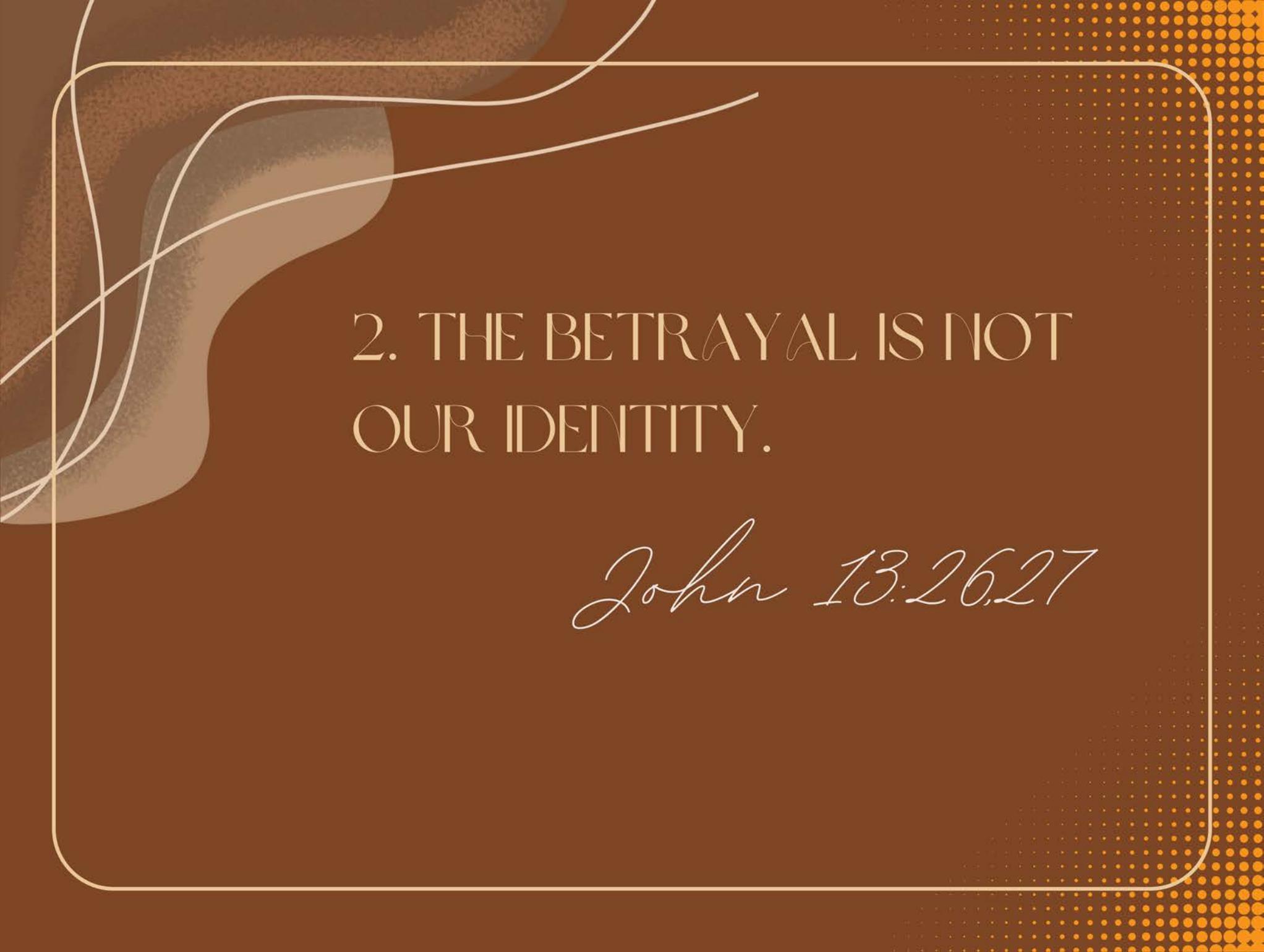


SEVEN TRUTHS TO  
OVERCOME BETRAYAL

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1. BETRAYAL IS IN THE  
HANDS OF THE BETRAYER.

*John 8:44*



2. THE BETRAYAL IS NOT  
OUR IDENTITY.

*John 13:26,27*

3. LIFE IS NOT FAIR, AND  
INJUSTICE HAPPENS.

*Romans 5:12*

4. REVENGE WILL NOT FIX  
THE BETRAYAL.

*Proverbs 20:22*

5. BETRAYAL PROVIDES AN  
OPPORTUNITY FOR GROWTH.

*Matthew 6:14-15*

6. WE WILL TRUST AGAIN,  
LOVE AGAIN, AND FIND JOY  
AGAIN.

*Philippians 3:12-14*

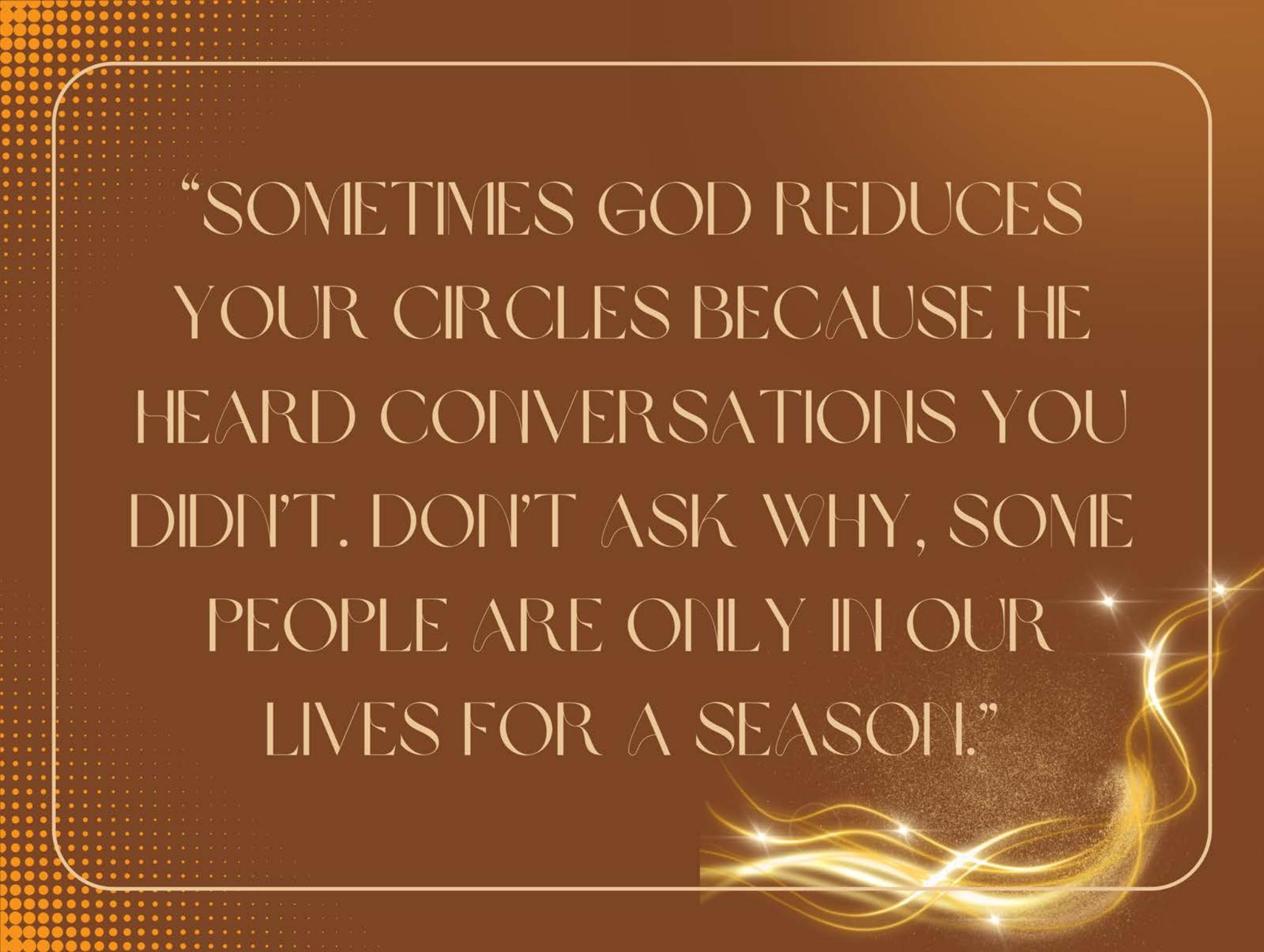
7. BETRAYAL IS INEVITABLE  
WITHIN THE CHURCH, BUT  
THAT DOES NOT MEAN  
BETRAYAL IS THE CHURCH.

*Matthew 26:14-16*

ALLOW GOD TO USE  
YOUR BETRAYAL.



“SOMETIMES GOD REDUCES  
YOUR CIRCLES BECAUSE HE  
HEARD CONVERSATIONS YOU  
DIDN'T. DON'T ASK WHY, SOME  
PEOPLE ARE ONLY IN OUR  
LIVES FOR A SEASON.”



## *Follow Up Questions:*

1. Often betrayal is accompanied by pain. How so?
2. Give an example of betrayal in the Bible.
3. Why is revenge an inappropriate response to betrayal?
4. "Betrayal and offense are in the DNA of Christianity." How so?
5. List ways we can overcome betrayal.
6. How can betrayal be used for our good?
7. In what way can you apply this lesson to your Christian walk?