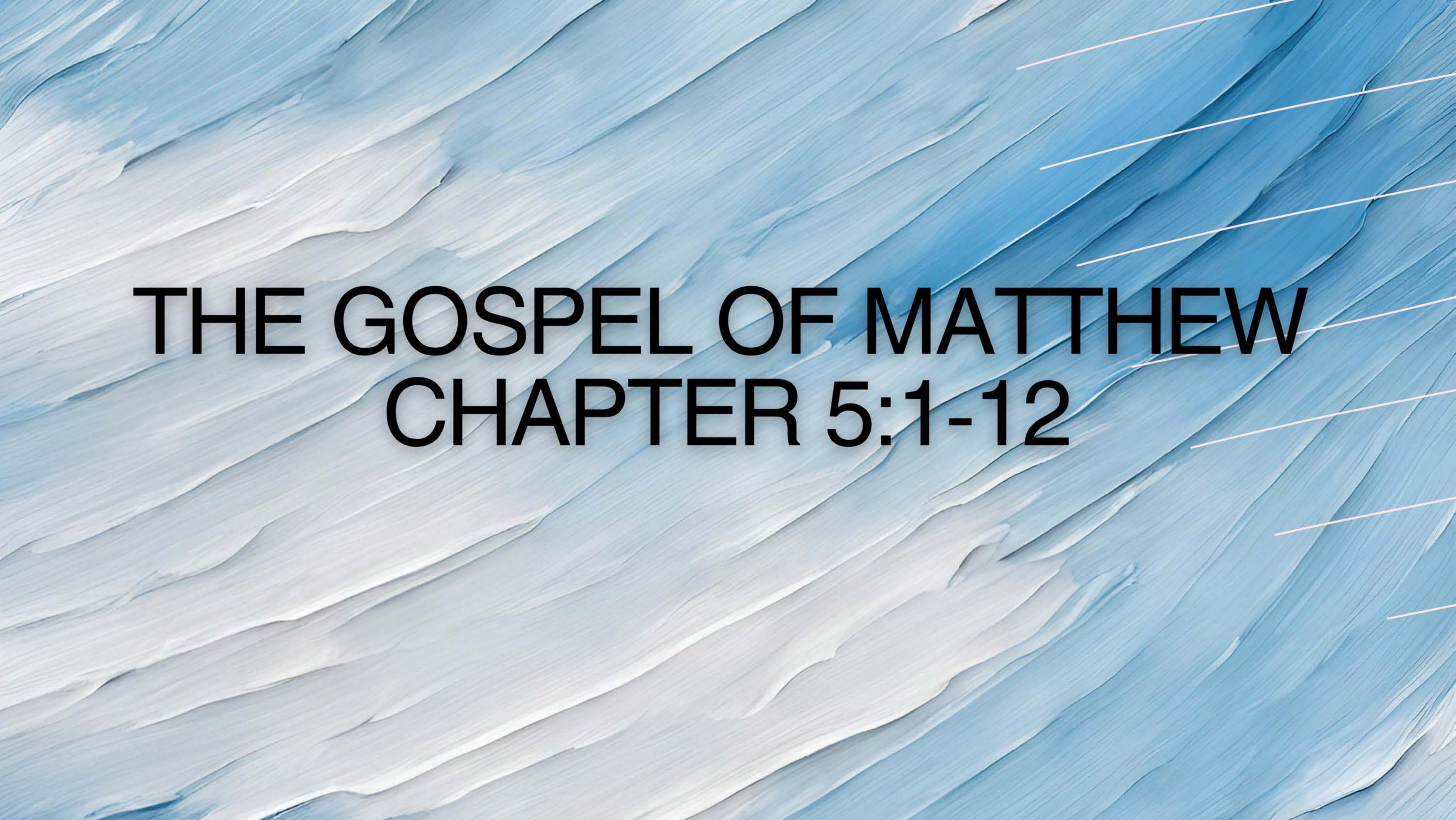


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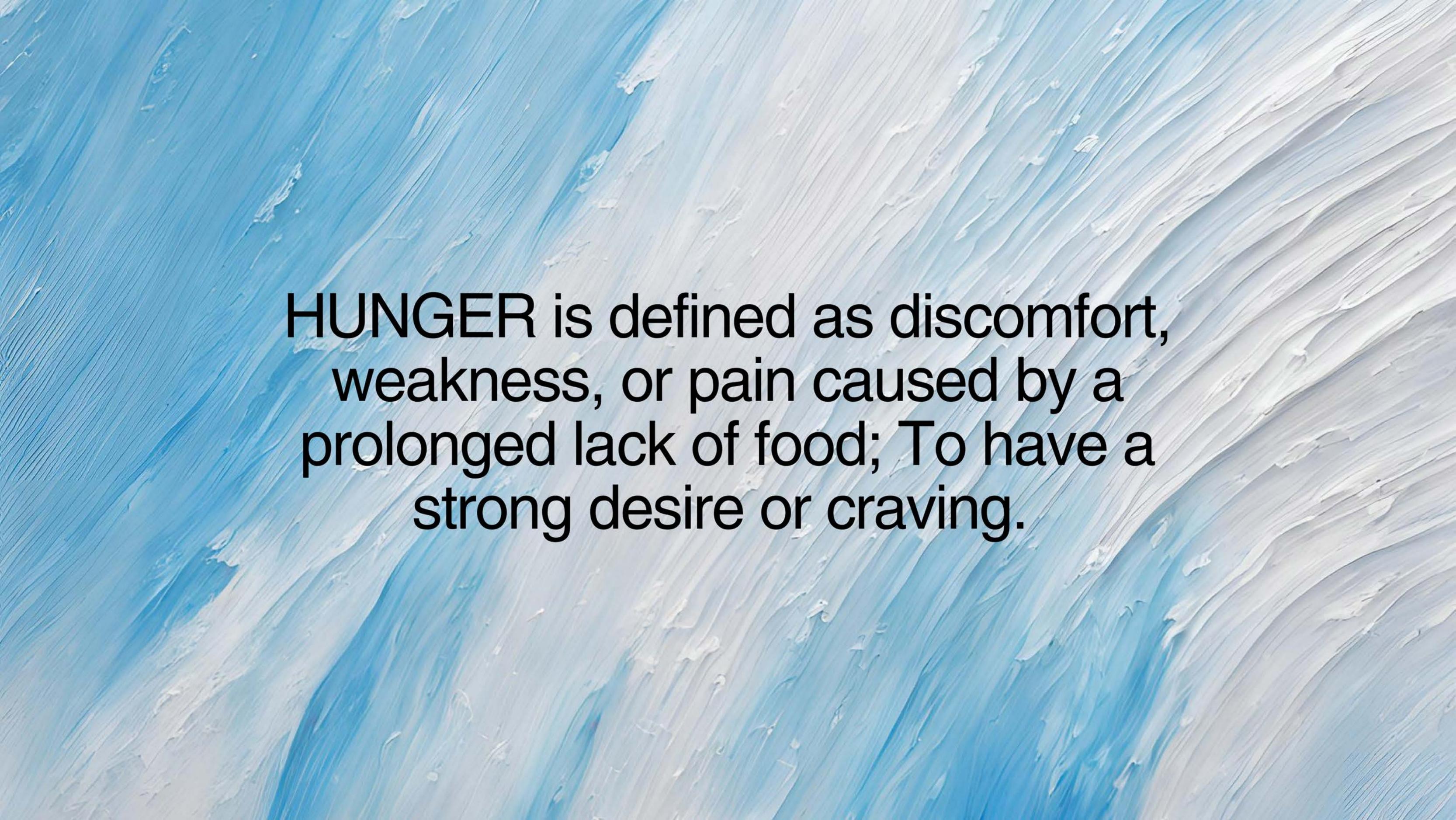
## CHAPTER 5:1-12



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**HUNGER** is defined as discomfort, weakness, or pain caused by a prolonged lack of food; To have a strong desire or craving.

(For my determined purpose is) that I may know Him (that I may progressively become more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him, perceiving and recognizing and understanding the wonders of His person more strongly).

*Philippians 3:10*

O God, You are my God; with deepest longing I   
will seek You; My soul [my life, my very self-]  
thirsts for You, my flesh longs and sighs for You,  
In a dry and weary land where there is no water.

*Psalms 63:1-3*

So, I have gazed upon You in the sanctuary, to see Your power and Your glory. Because Your loving kindness is better than life, my lips shall praise You.”

*Psalms 63:1-3*



*Unrestrained Appetites*

I have come that they may have life, and have it   
to the full.

*John 10:10*

**'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'**



*Matthew 4:4*

*Making Room  
For Hunger*



# *Things that Affect Spiritual Hunger:*

1. A Spoiled Appetite
2. Illness
3. Service
4. Distraction





*Three Observations About  
Hunger and Thirst.*



# 1. God Alone Can Satisfy Our Hunger and Thirst.



“If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.”



*John 7:37-38*

“And Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. ✨  
He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he  
who believes in Me shall never thirst.”

*John 6:35*

**2. Hunger is Developed When  
We Taste His Goodness.**



How sweet are Your words to my taste, sweeter  
than honey to my mouth!



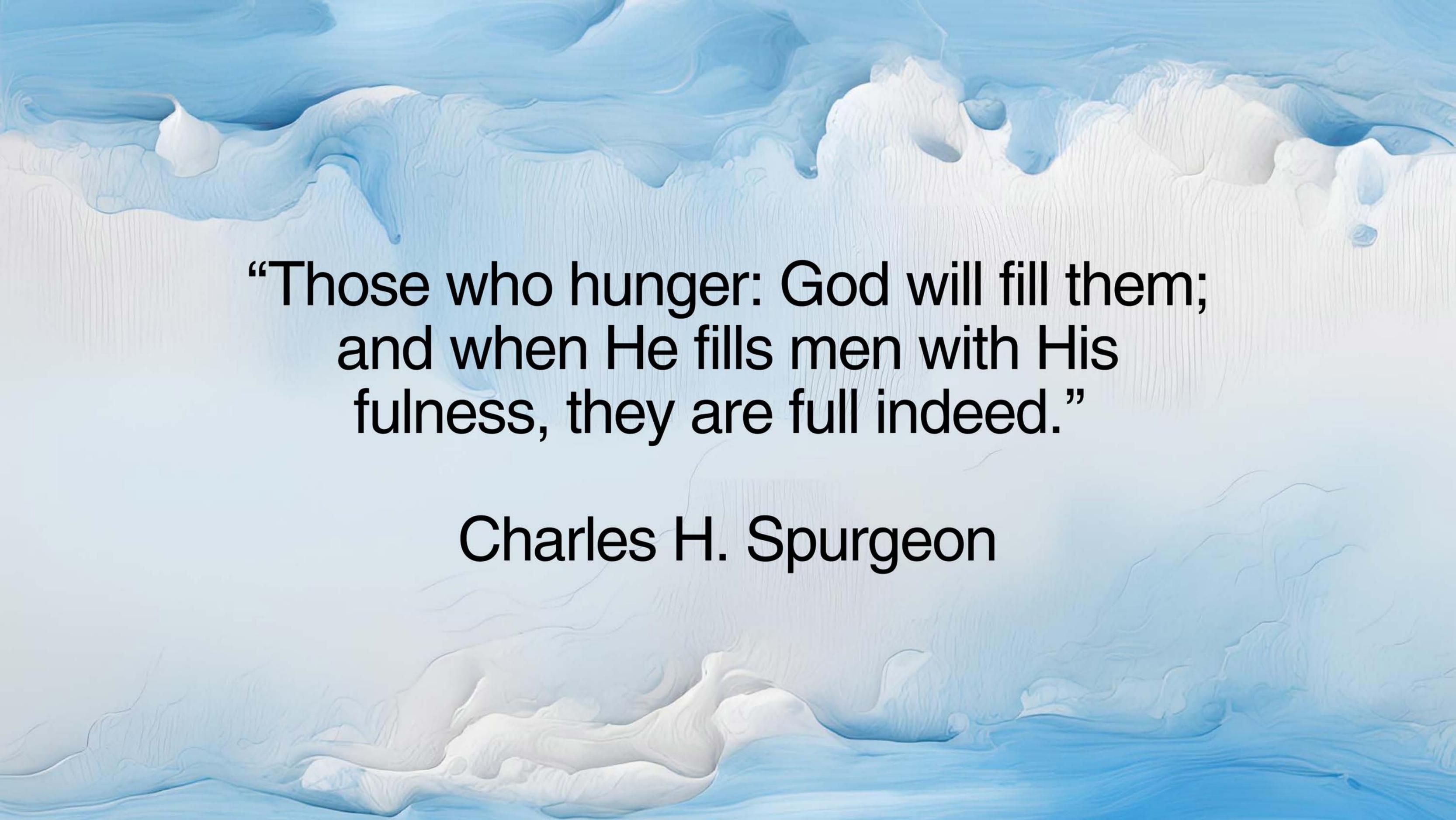
*Psalm 119:103*

Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking, as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby, if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious.”

*1 Peter 2:1-3*

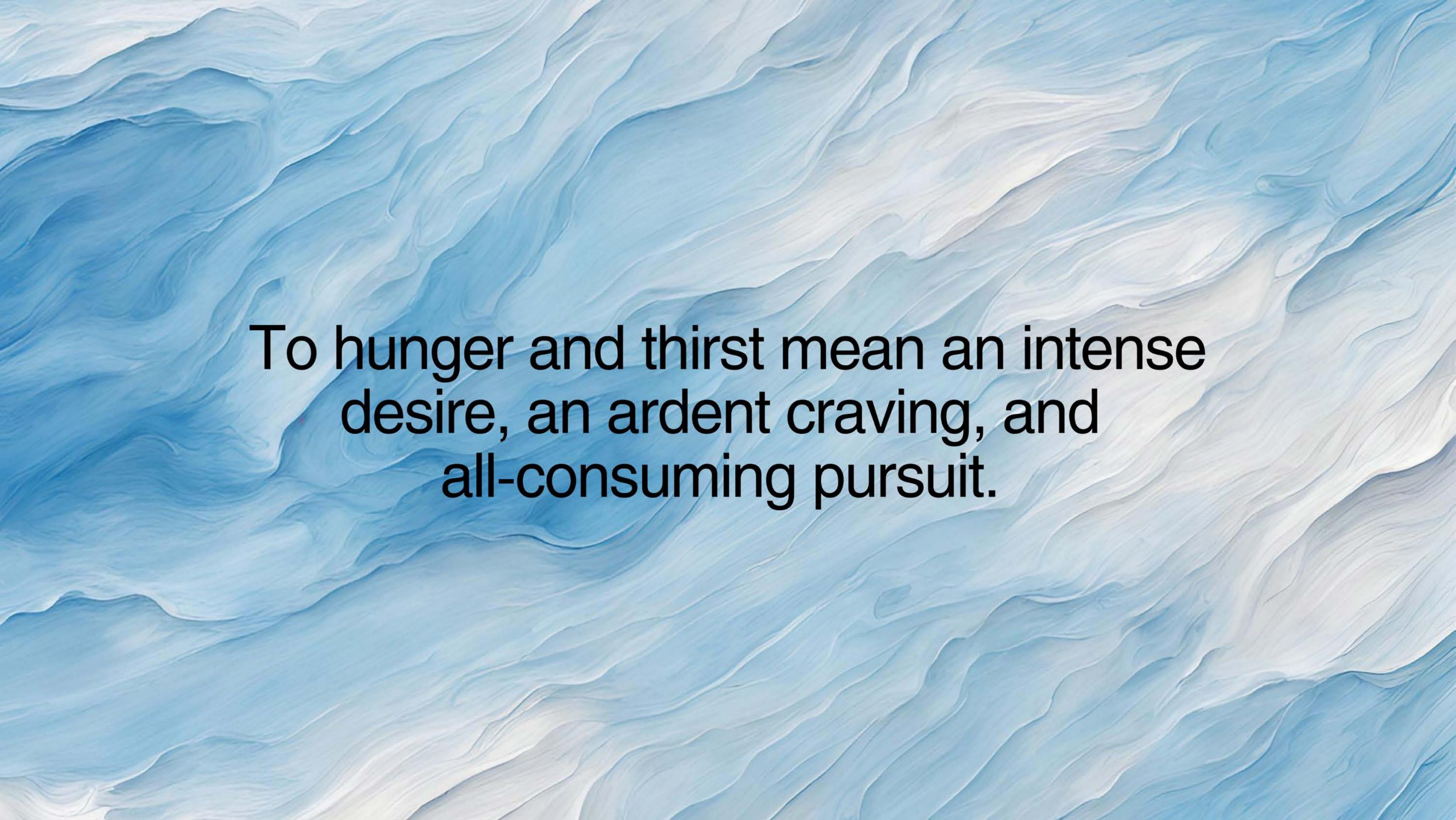
**3. Once You've Tasted and Seen  
God's Goodness,  
You Will Want More!**



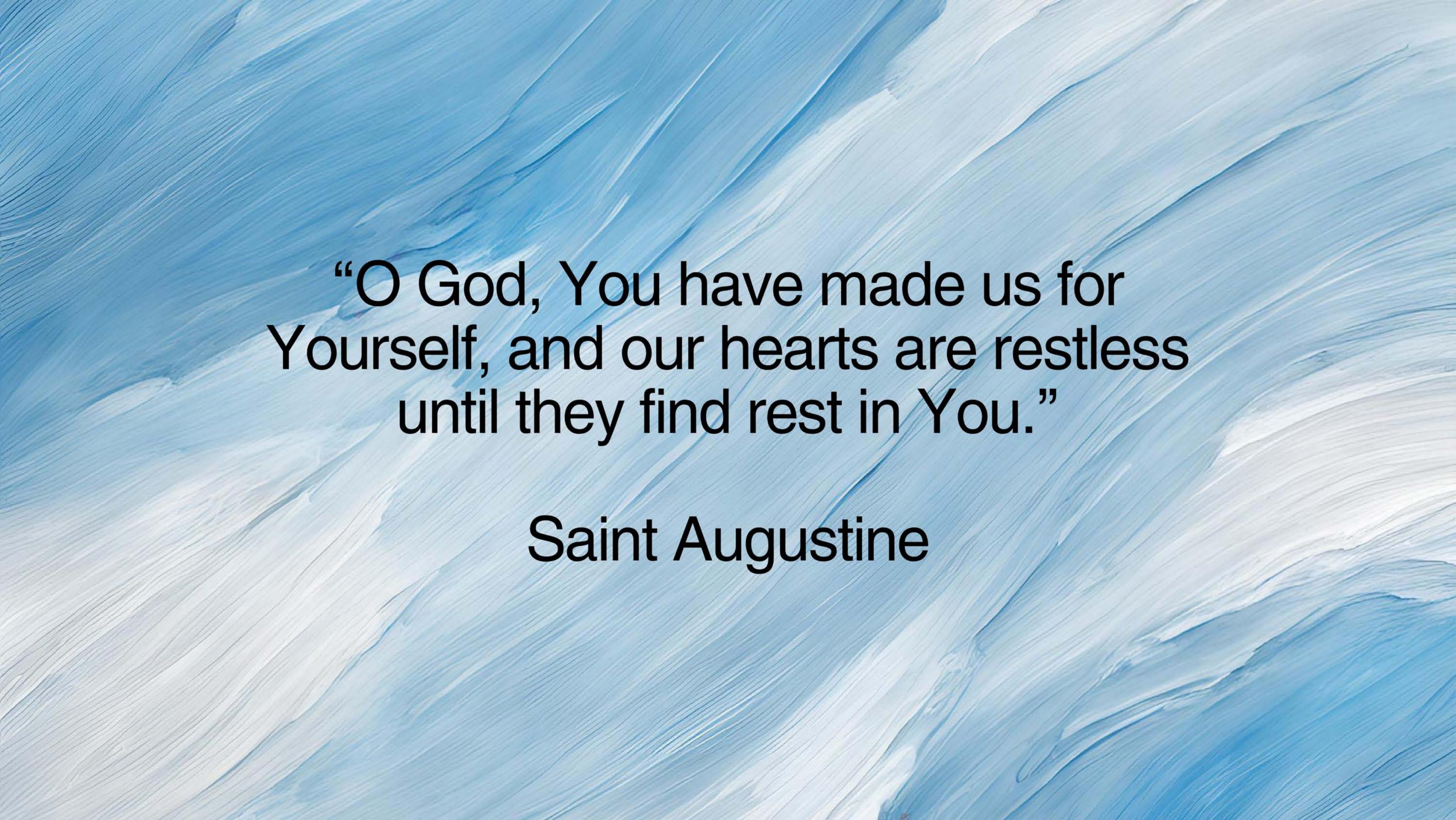


**“Those who hunger: God will fill them;  
and when He fills men with His  
fulness, they are full indeed.”**

**Charles H. Spurgeon**



**To hunger and thirst mean an intense desire, an ardent craving, and all-consuming pursuit.**

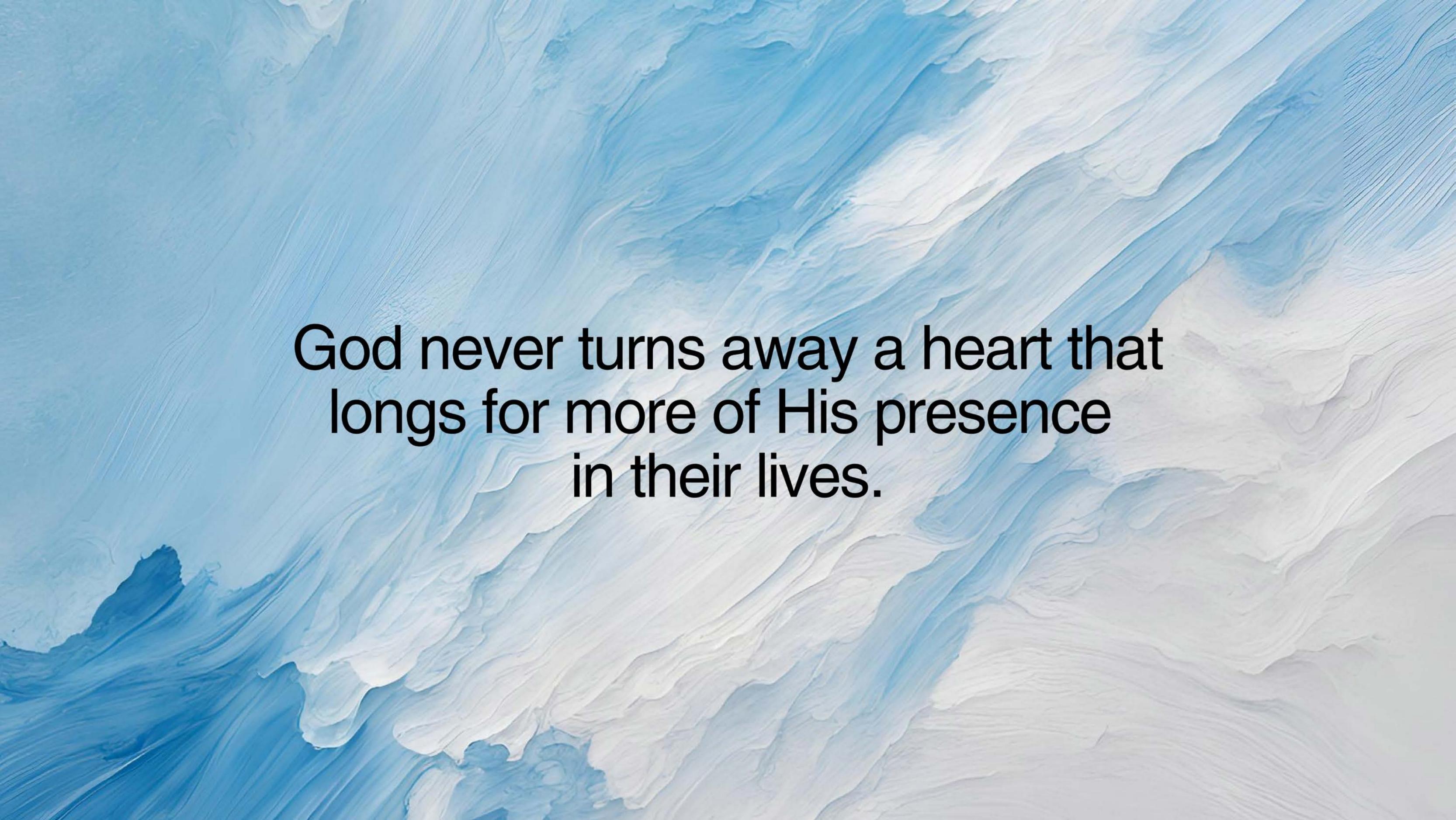


“O God, You have made us for Yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find rest in You.”

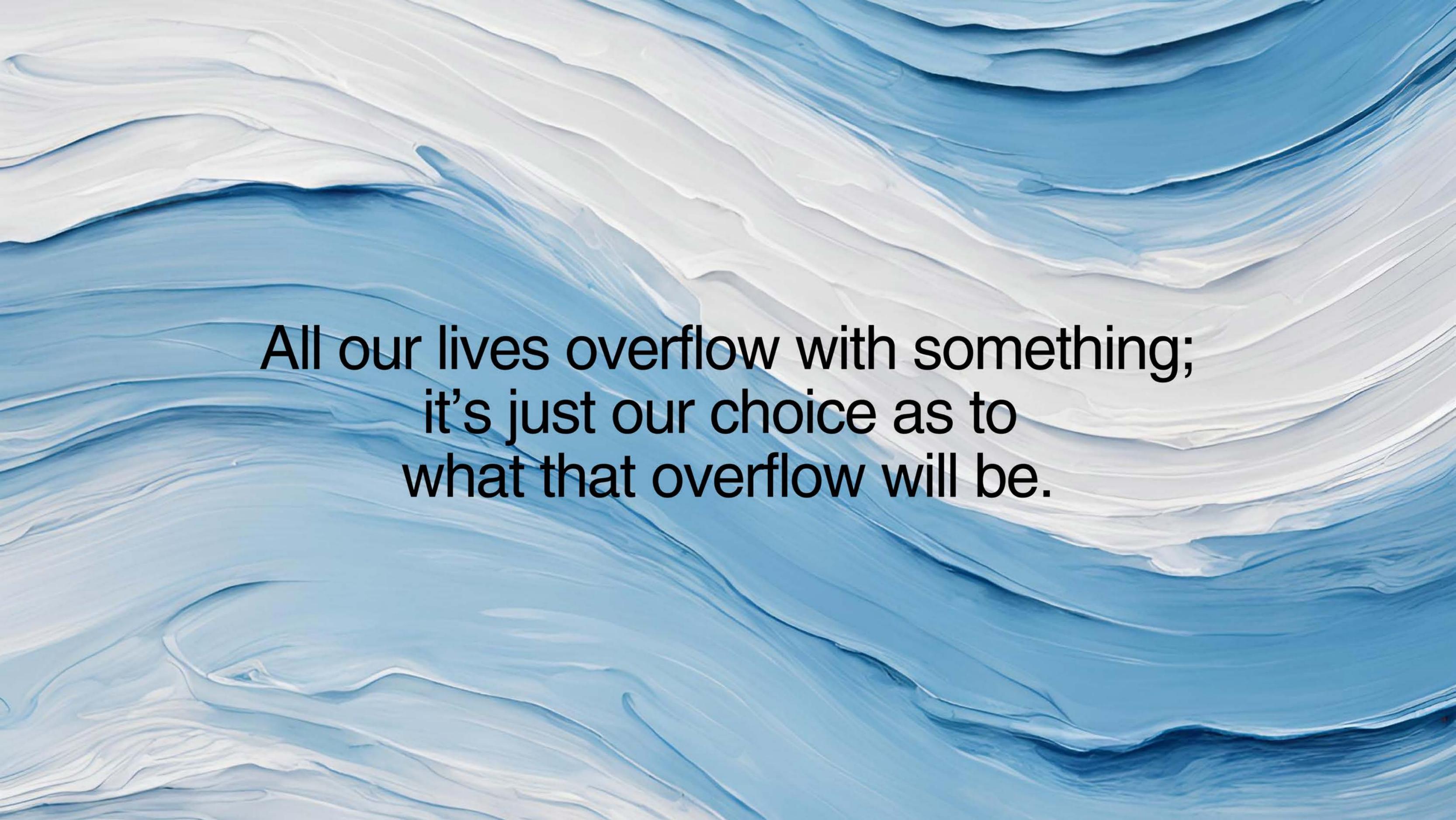
Saint Augustine

Why do you spend your money on junk food,  
your hard-earned cash on cotton candy? Listen  
to Me, listen well: Eat only the best, fill yourself  
with only the finest.

*Isaiah 55:2 (MSG)*



God never turns away a heart that  
longs for more of His presence  
in their lives.



All our lives overflow with something;  
it's just our choice as to  
what that overflow will be.