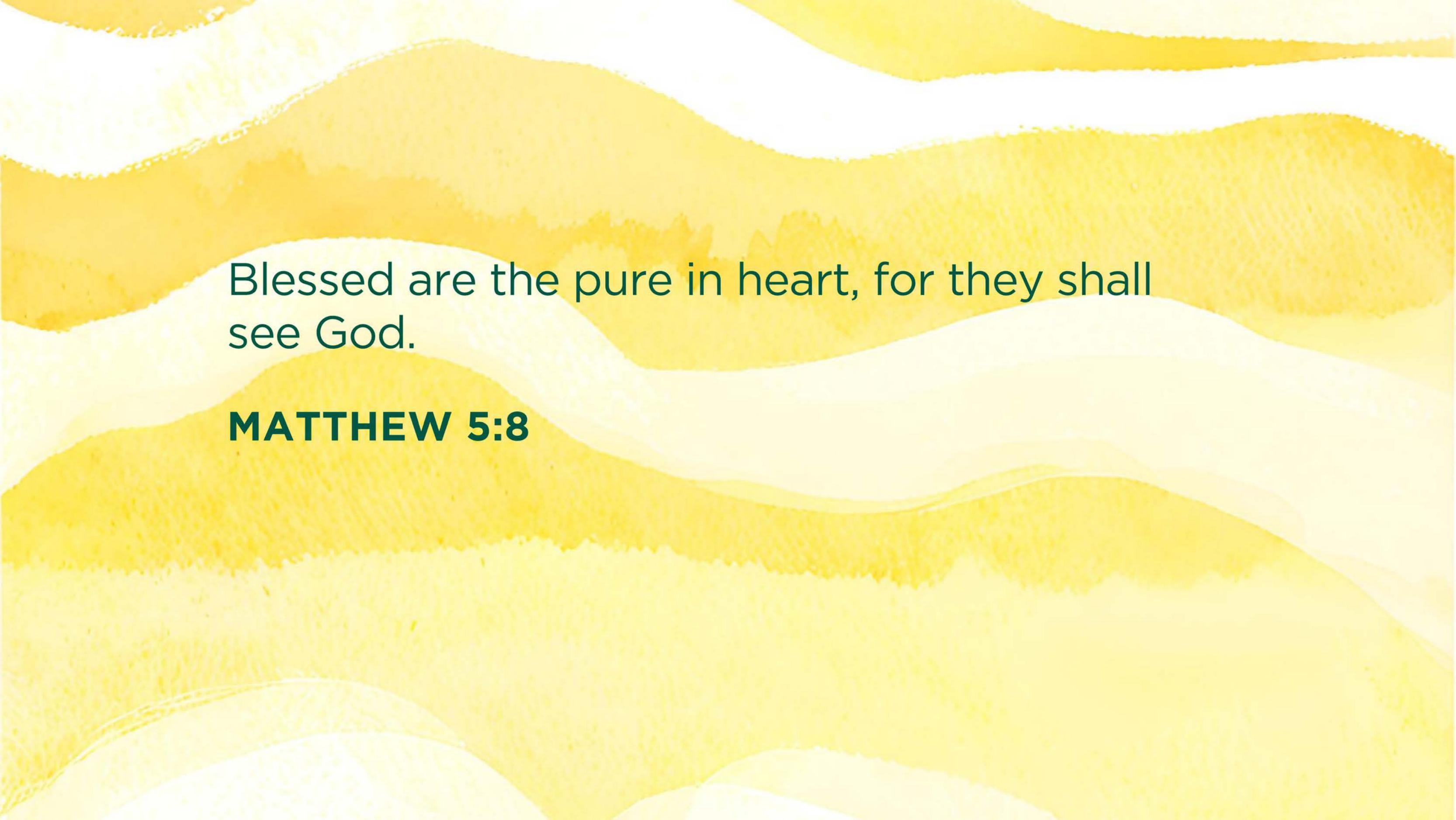


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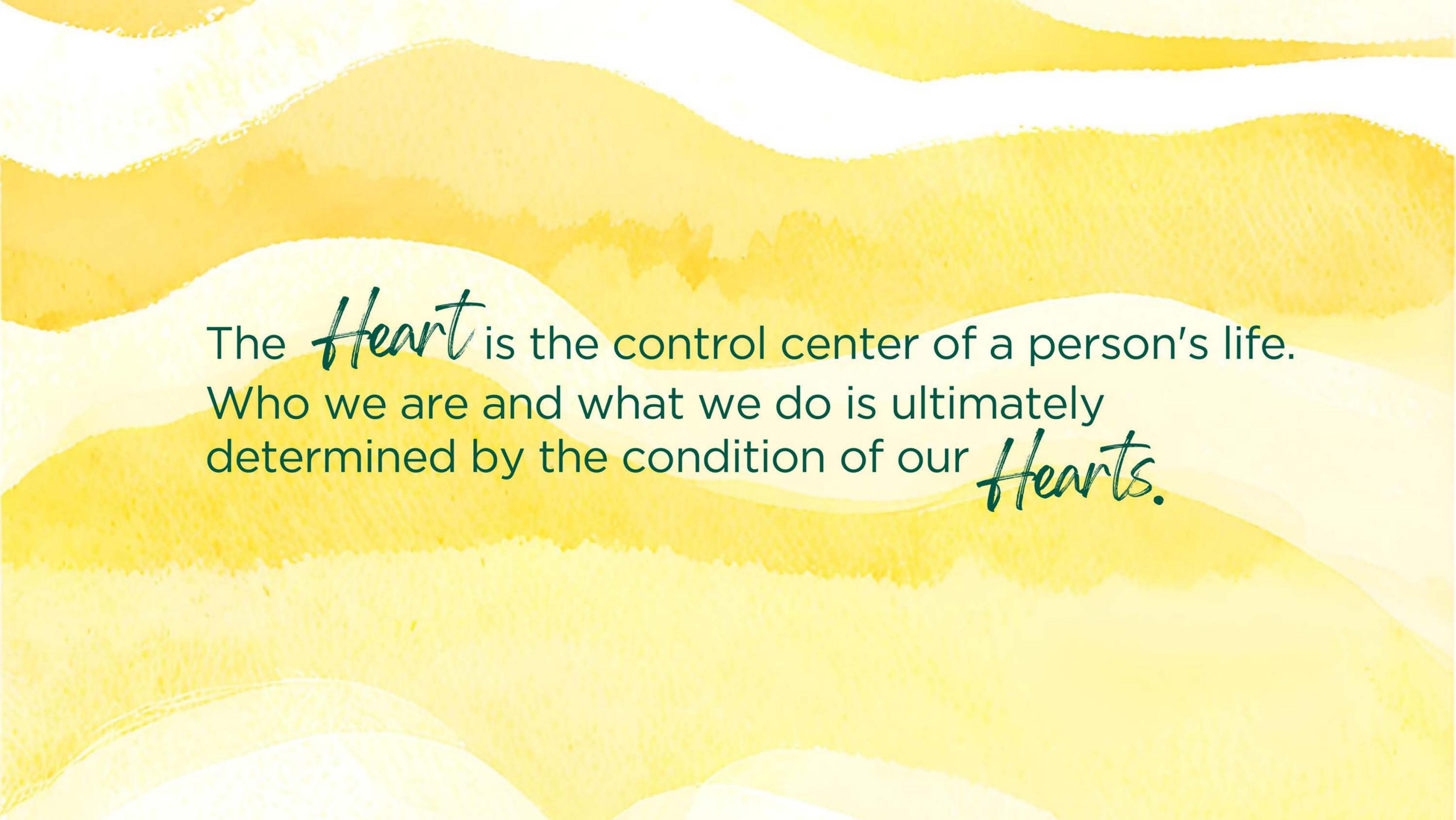
**JUNE SERMON SERIES:
A CHANGED HEART**



Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall
see God.

MATTHEW 5:8

What the Heart Wants



The *Heart* is the control center of a person's life.
Who we are and what we do is ultimately
determined by the condition of our *Hearts.*

Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you cleanse the outside of the cup and of the plate, but inside they are full of extortion and rapacity. You blind Pharisee! First cleanse the inside of the cup and of the plate, so that the outside also may be clean.

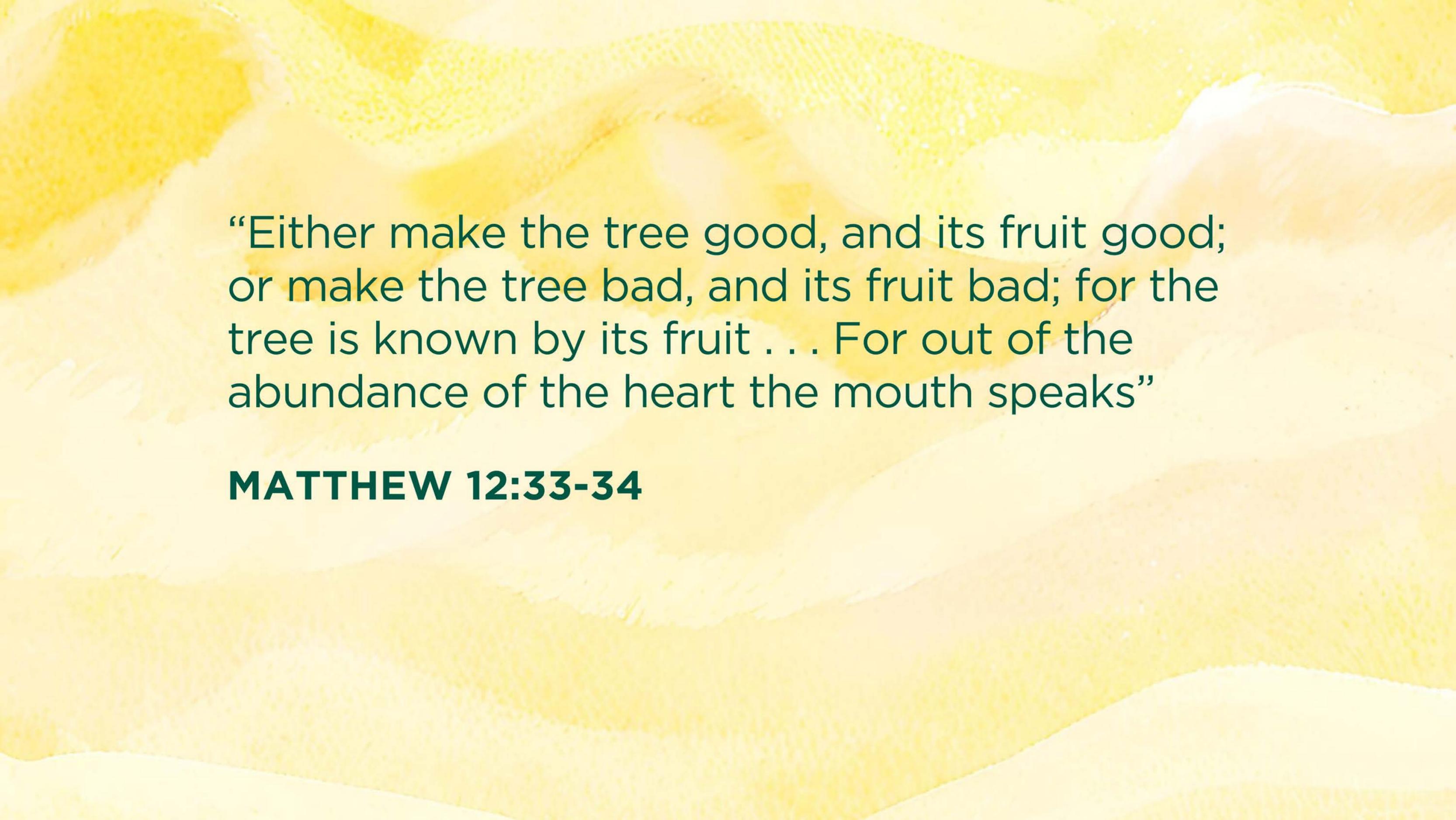
MATTHEW 23:25-26

The Heart is Who
You Are



Man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart” From the heart are all the issues of life.

I SAMUEL 16:7

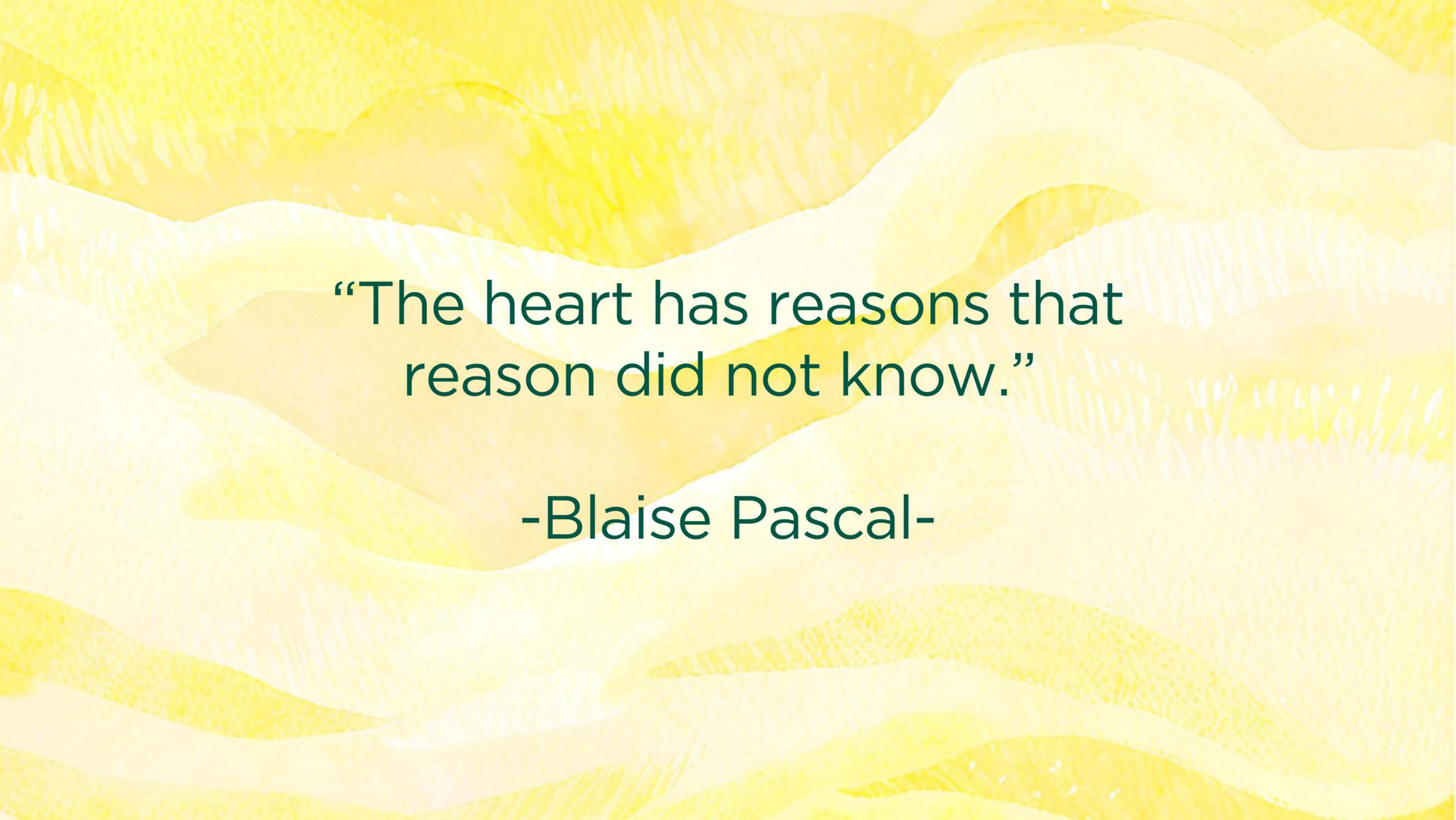


“Either make the tree good, and its fruit good; or make the tree bad, and its fruit bad; for the tree is known by its fruit . . . For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks”

MATTHEW 12:33-34

What Does It Mean To
Be Pure In Heart?



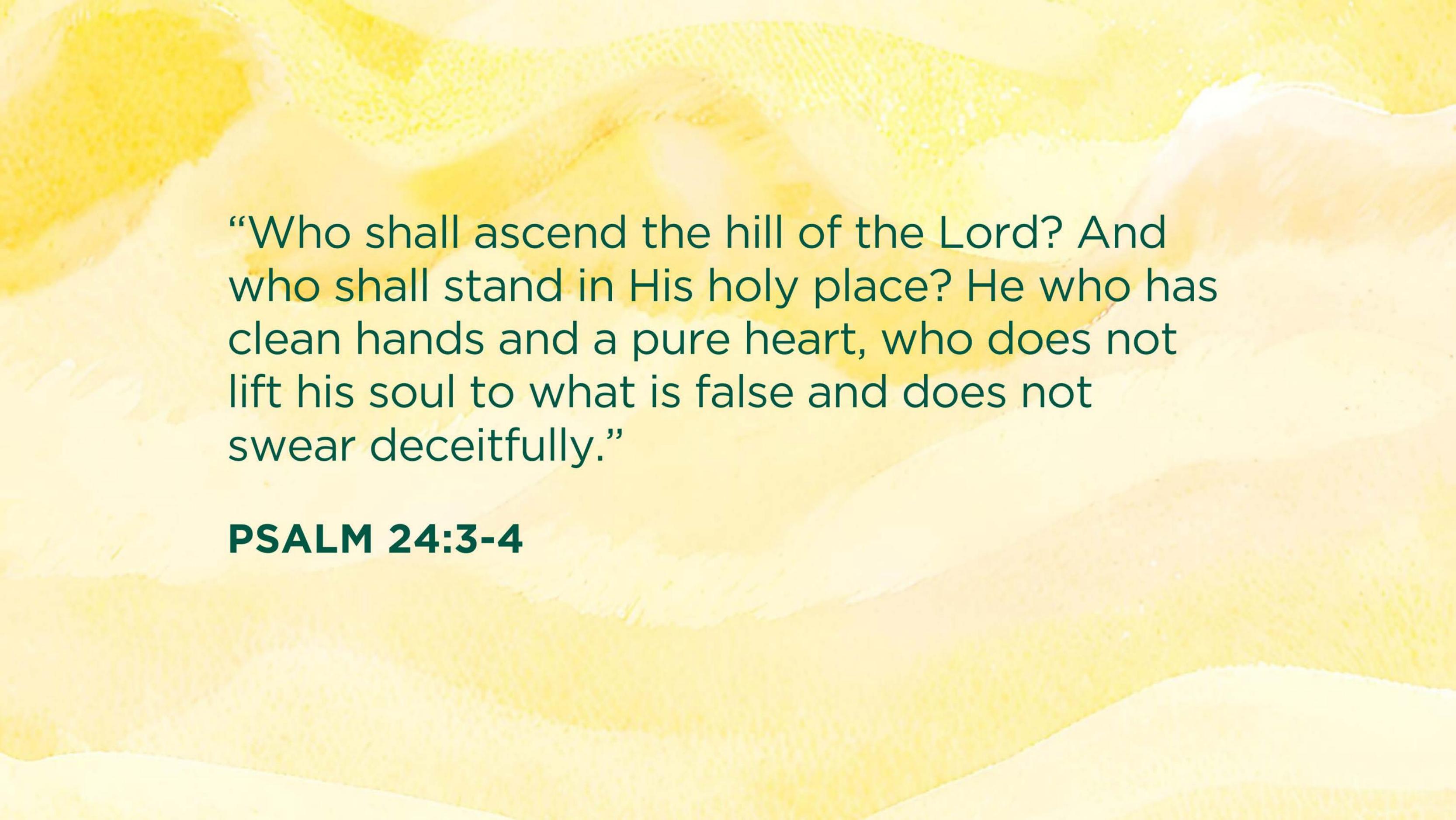


“The heart has reasons that
reason did not know.”

-Blaise Pascal-

A Pure Heart is Free
from Deception



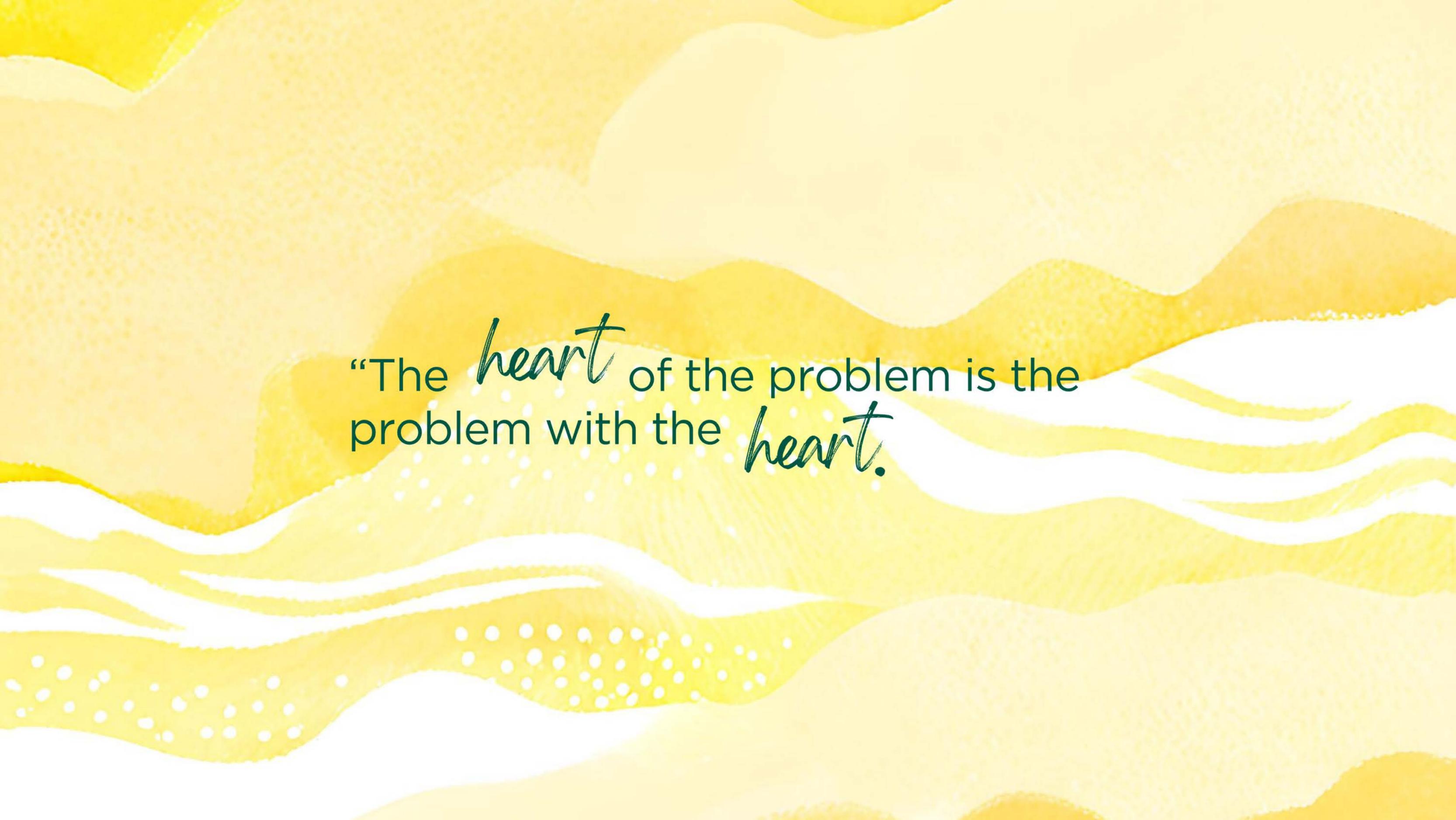


“Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in His holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.”

PSALM 24:3-4

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked; who can know it? I, the Lord, search the heart, I test the mind, even to give every man according to his ways, according to the fruit of his doings.

JEREMIAH 17:9-10



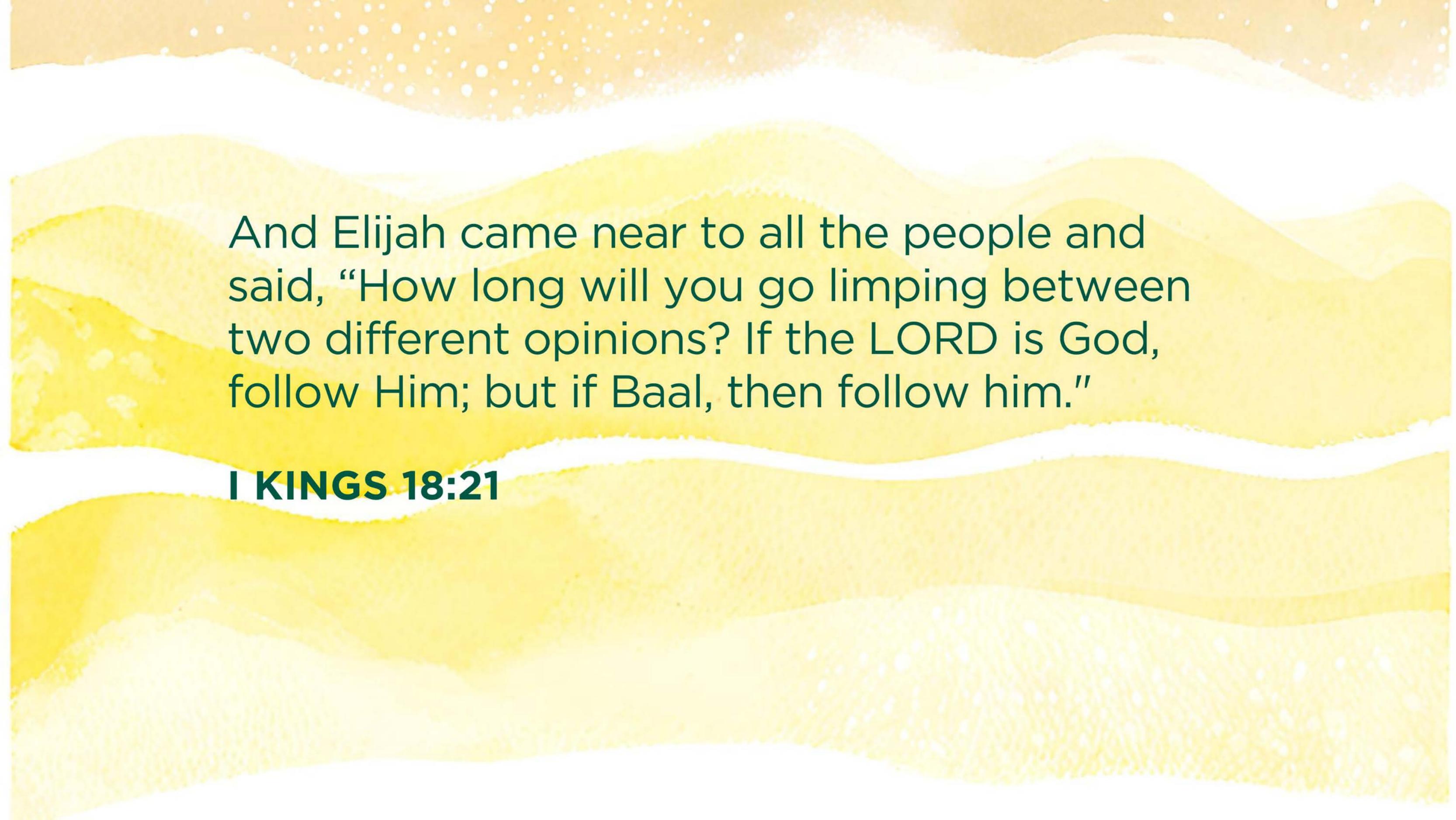
“The *heart* of the problem is the
problem with the *heart*.”

A Pure Heart is not
Double Minded



Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you men of double mind.

JAMES 4:8



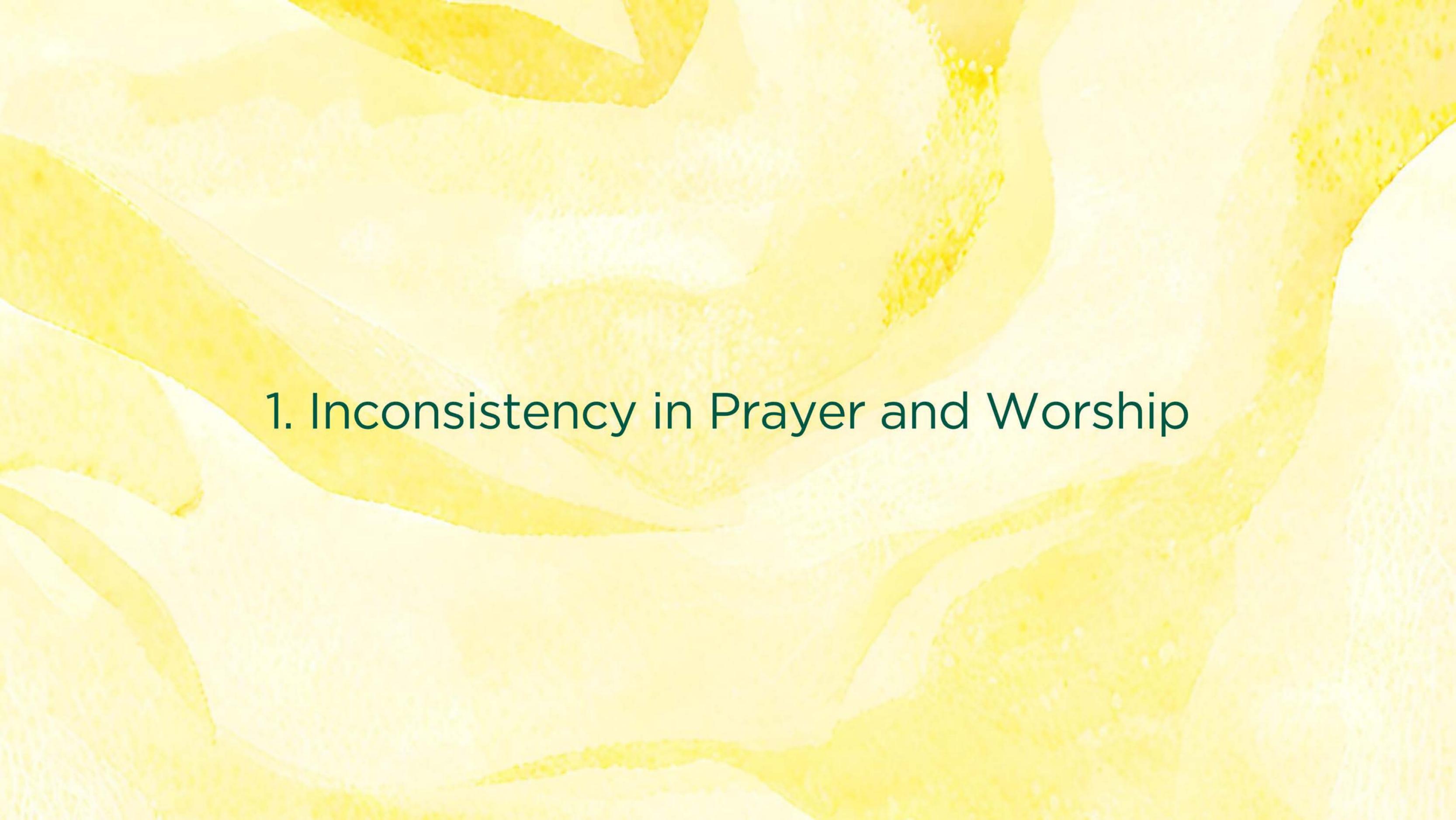
And Elijah came near to all the people and said, "How long will you go limping between two different opinions? If the LORD is God, follow Him; but if Baal, then follow him."

I KINGS 18:21

Unfaithful creatures ! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore, whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

JAMES 4:4

Characteristics of a Double
Minded Believer:

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1. Inconsistency in Prayer and Worship

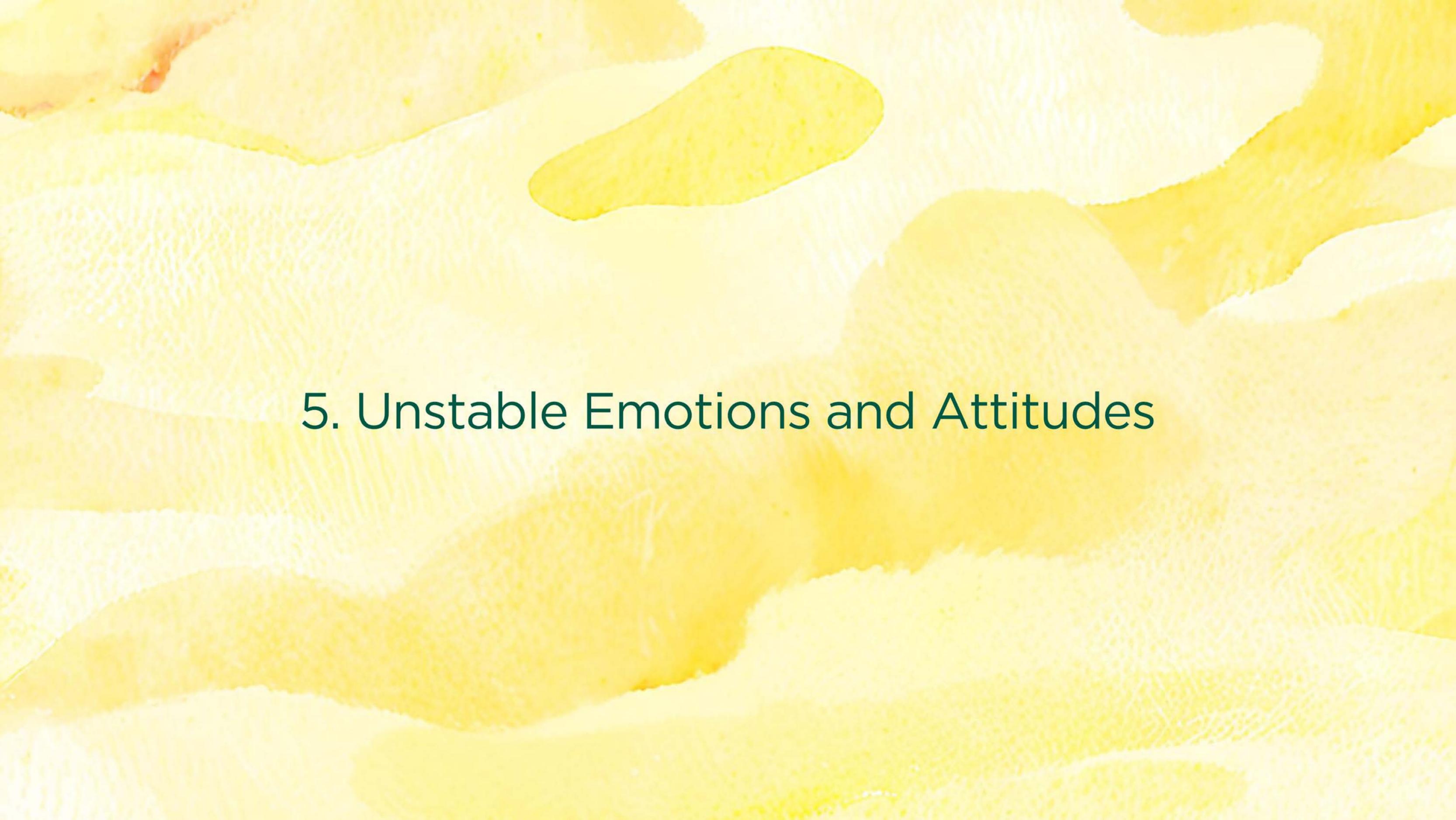
2. Indecision in Decision Making



3. Lack of Trust in God's Plan



4. Tendency to Compromise with Sin

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5. Unstable Emotions and Attitudes



6. Difficulty in Maintaining Relationships

*A Pure Heart is
 undefiled*



Do you not yet understand that whatever enters the mouth goes into the stomach and is eliminated? But those things which proceed out of the mouth come from the heart, and they defile a man. For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adultery, fornications, thefts, false witnesses, blasphemies. These are the things which defile a man, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile a man.”

MATTHEW 15:18-20



Hearts On A Screen

They Shall See God



"...For they shall see God"



"You're blessed when you get your
inside world put right. Then you
can see God in the outside world."

-Message Bible-

It's Jesus on the
Inside!