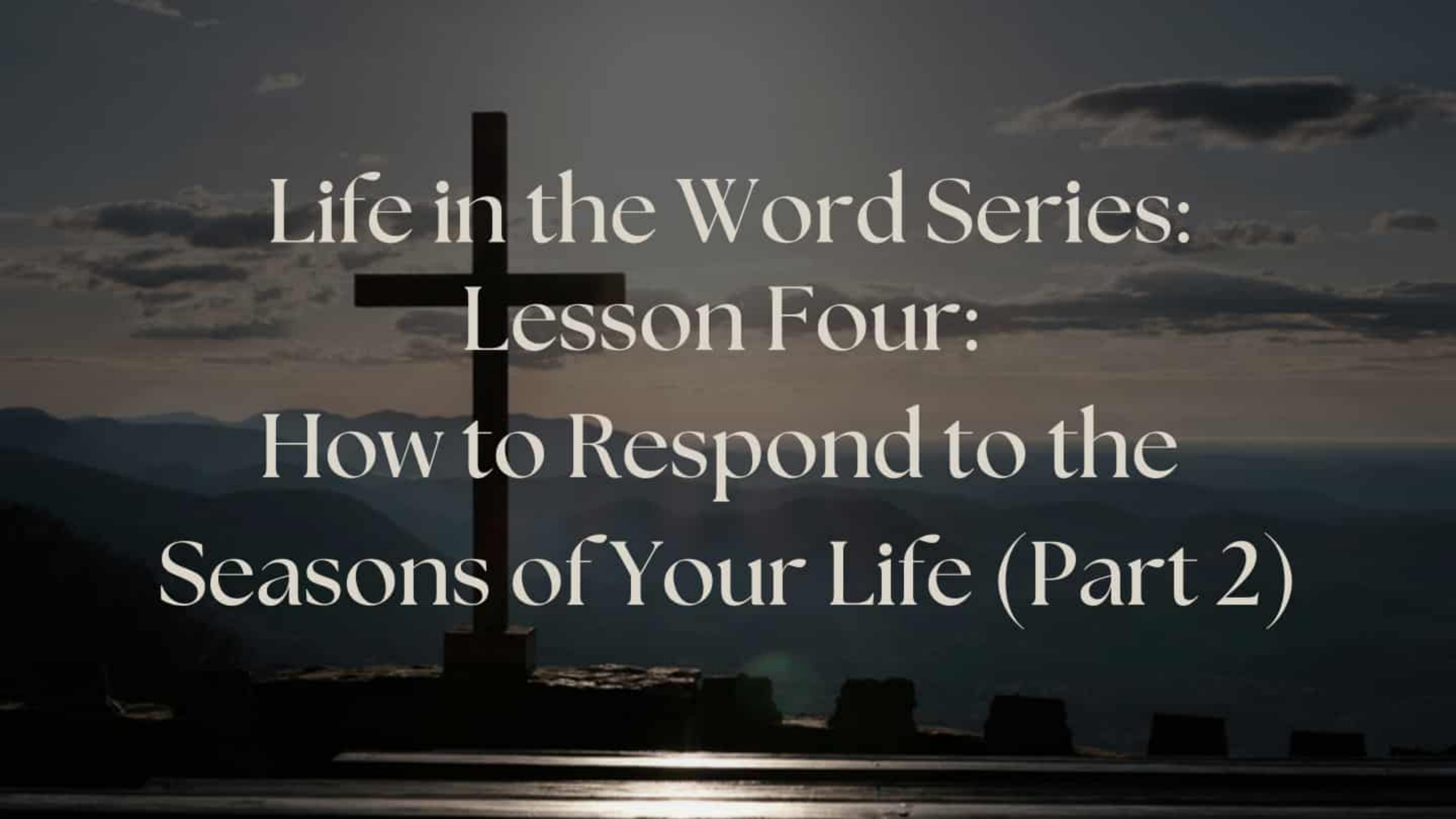

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Ecclesiastes 3:1, To everything there is a season, A time for every purpose under heaven.



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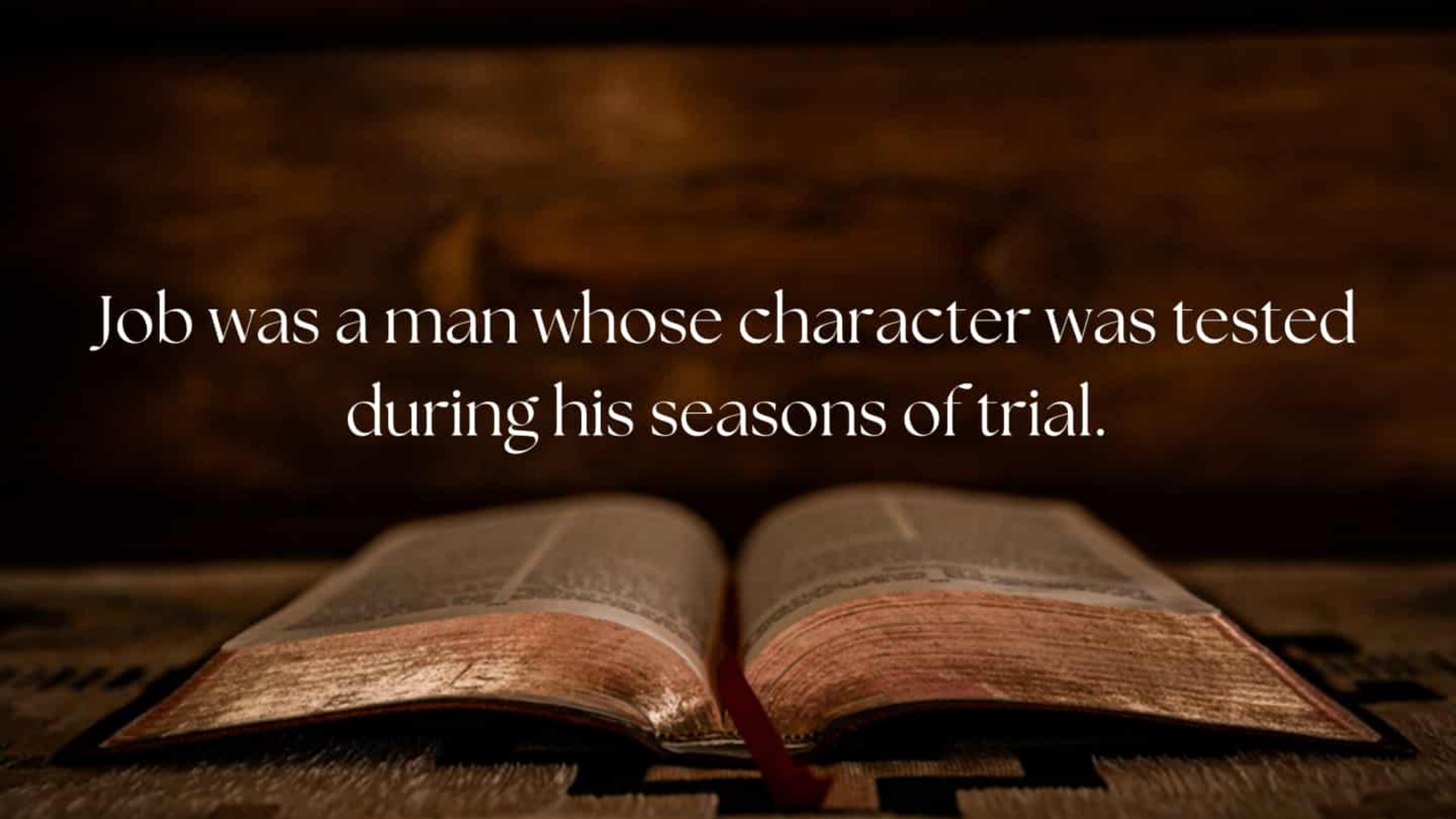
1. The Season(s) of Joy
2. The Season(s) of Loss and Sorrow
3. The Season(s) of Pruning

4. The Season(s) of Tests and Trials

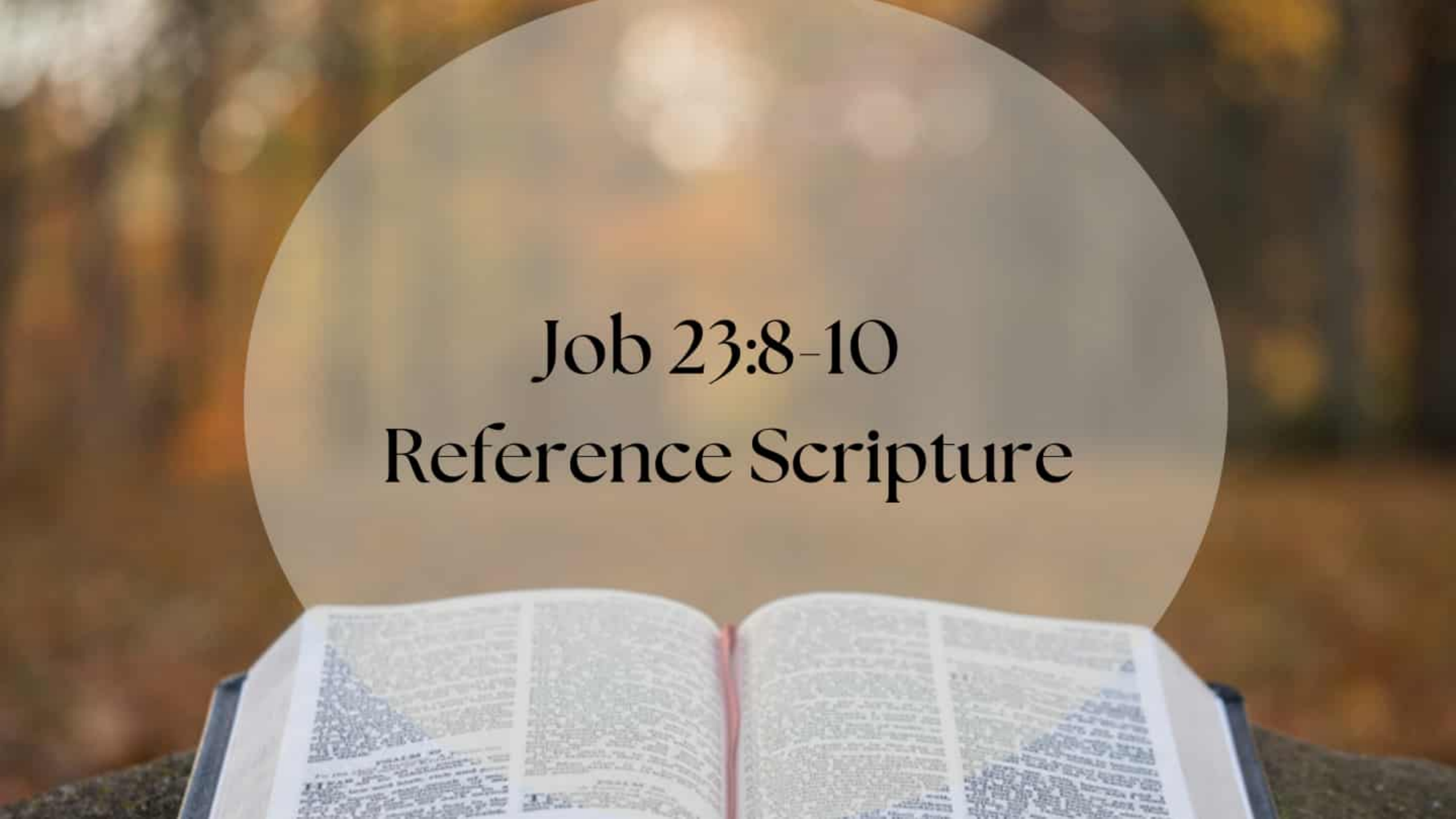
"When one door of happiness closes, another opens; but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one which has been opened for us."

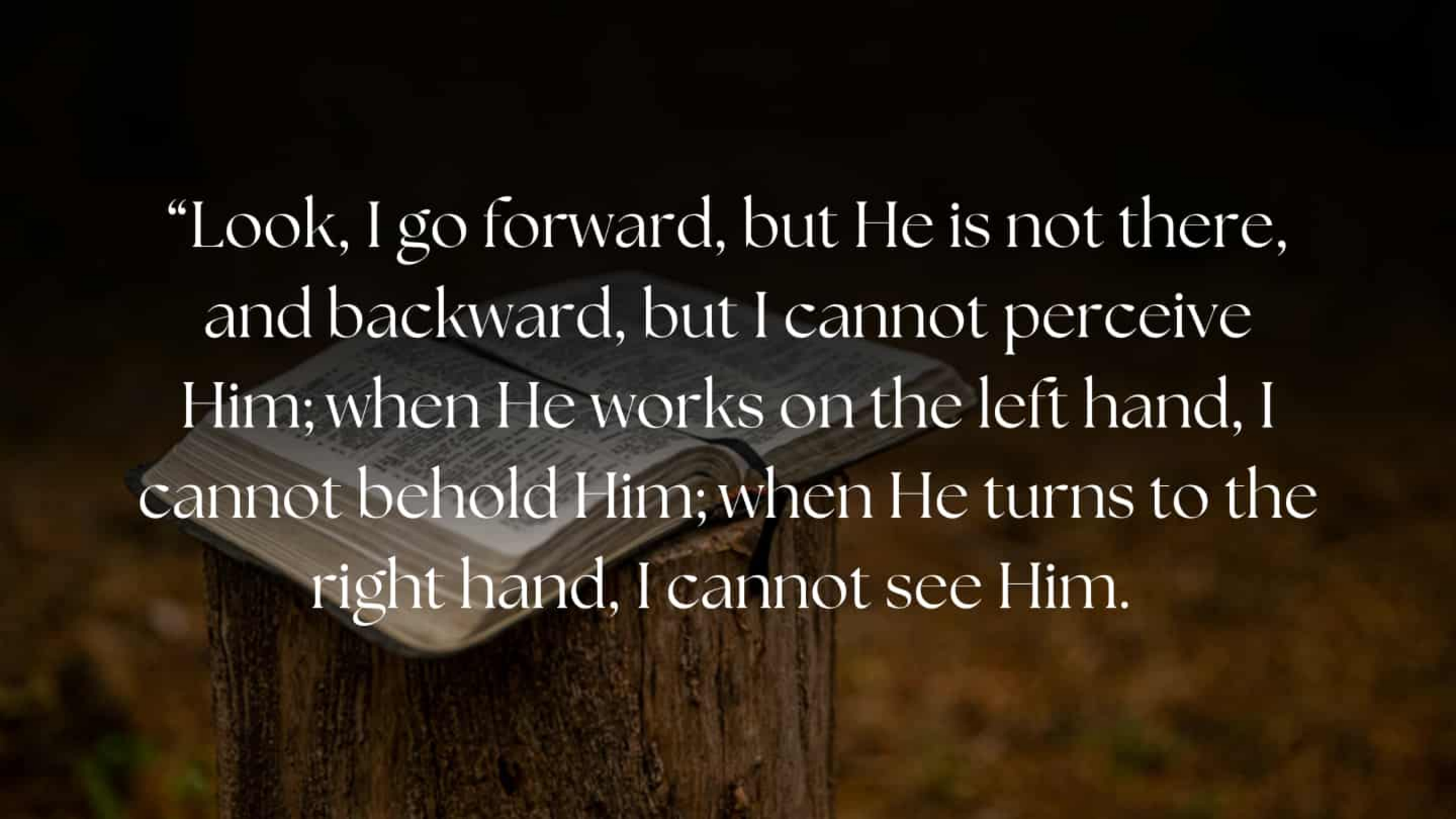
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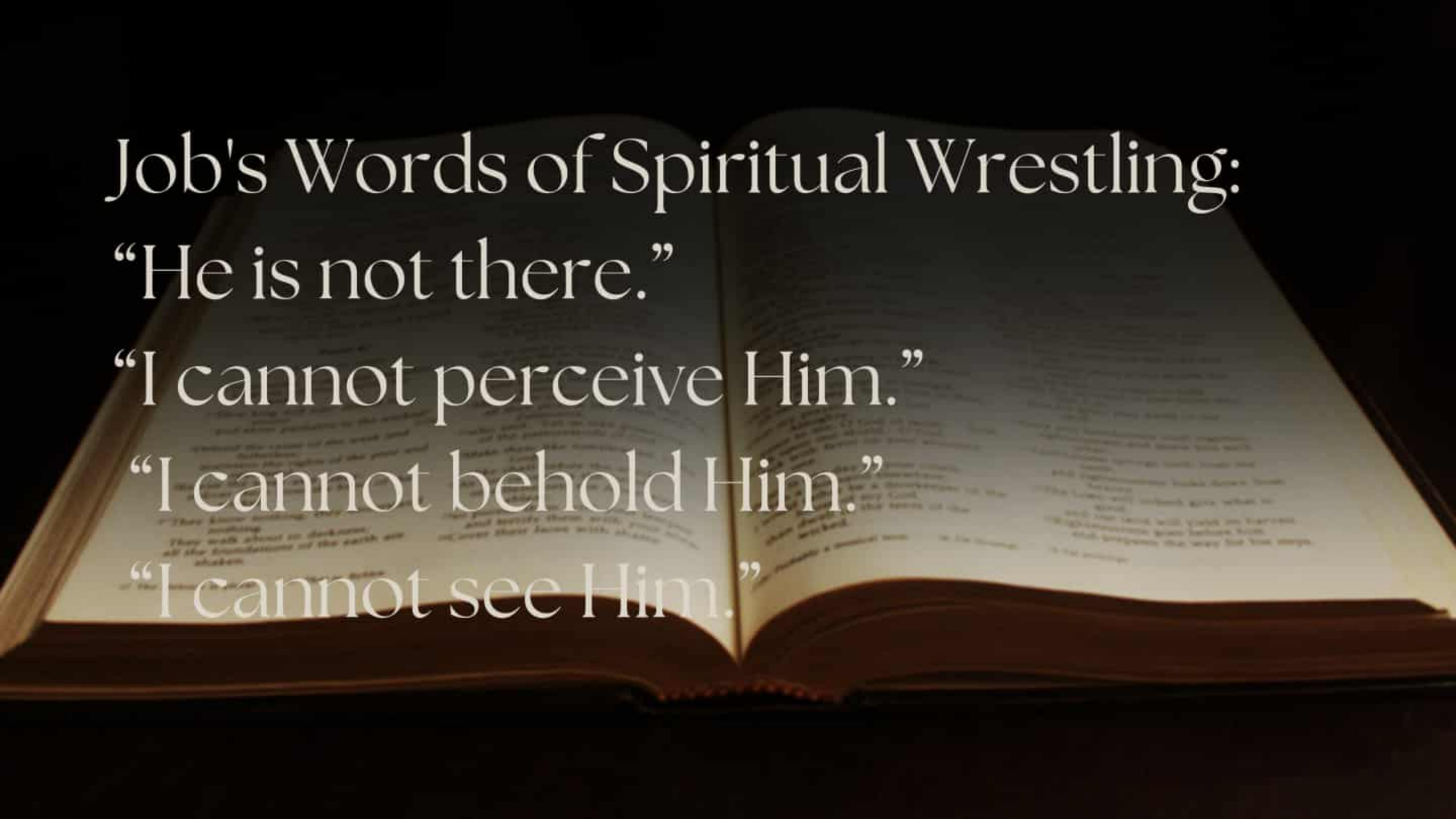

Job was a man whose character was tested
during his seasons of trial.

Job 23:8-10
Reference Scripture

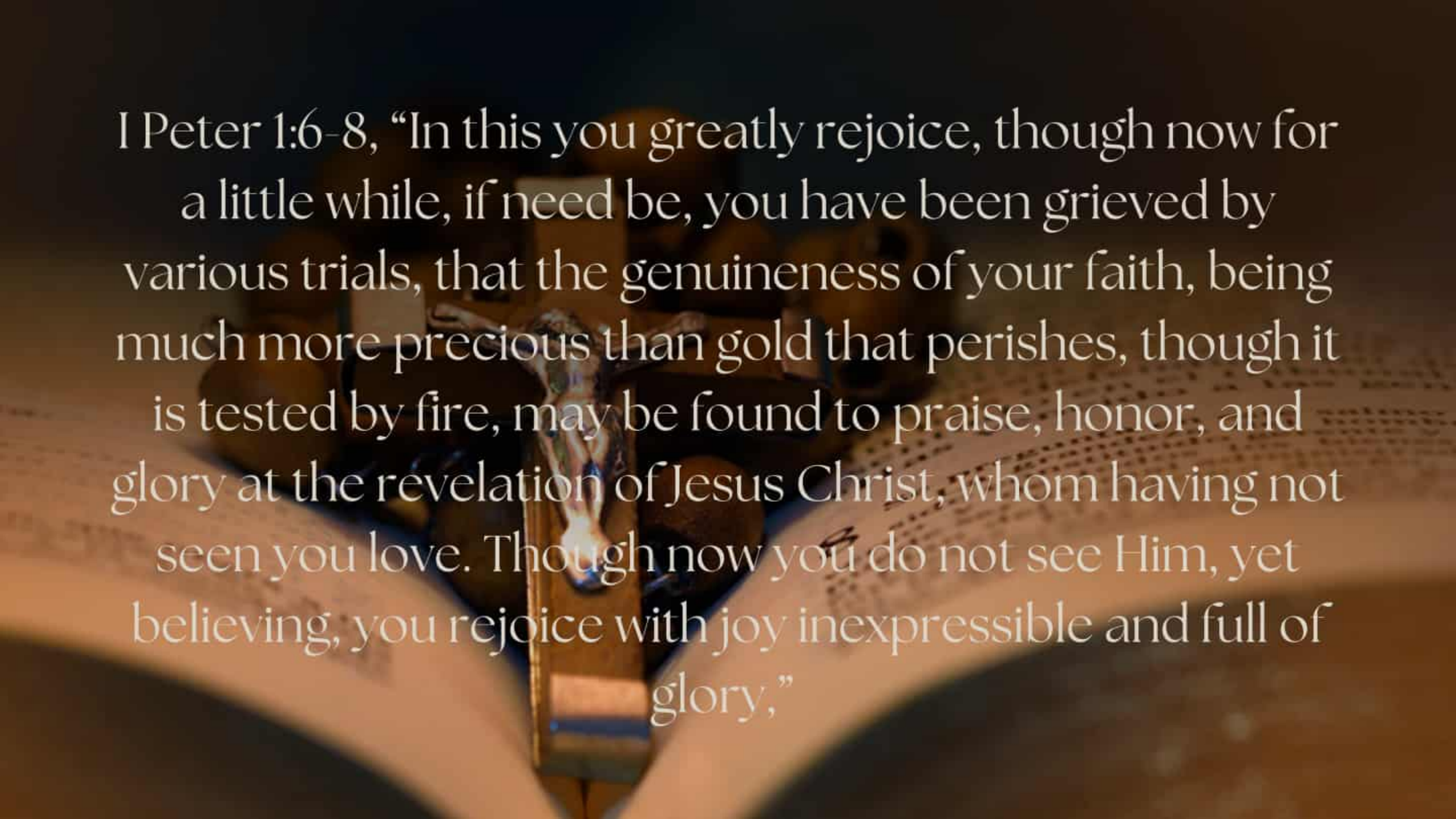



“Look, I go forward, but He is not there,
and backward, but I cannot perceive
Him; when He works on the left hand, I
cannot behold Him; when He turns to the
right hand, I cannot see Him.

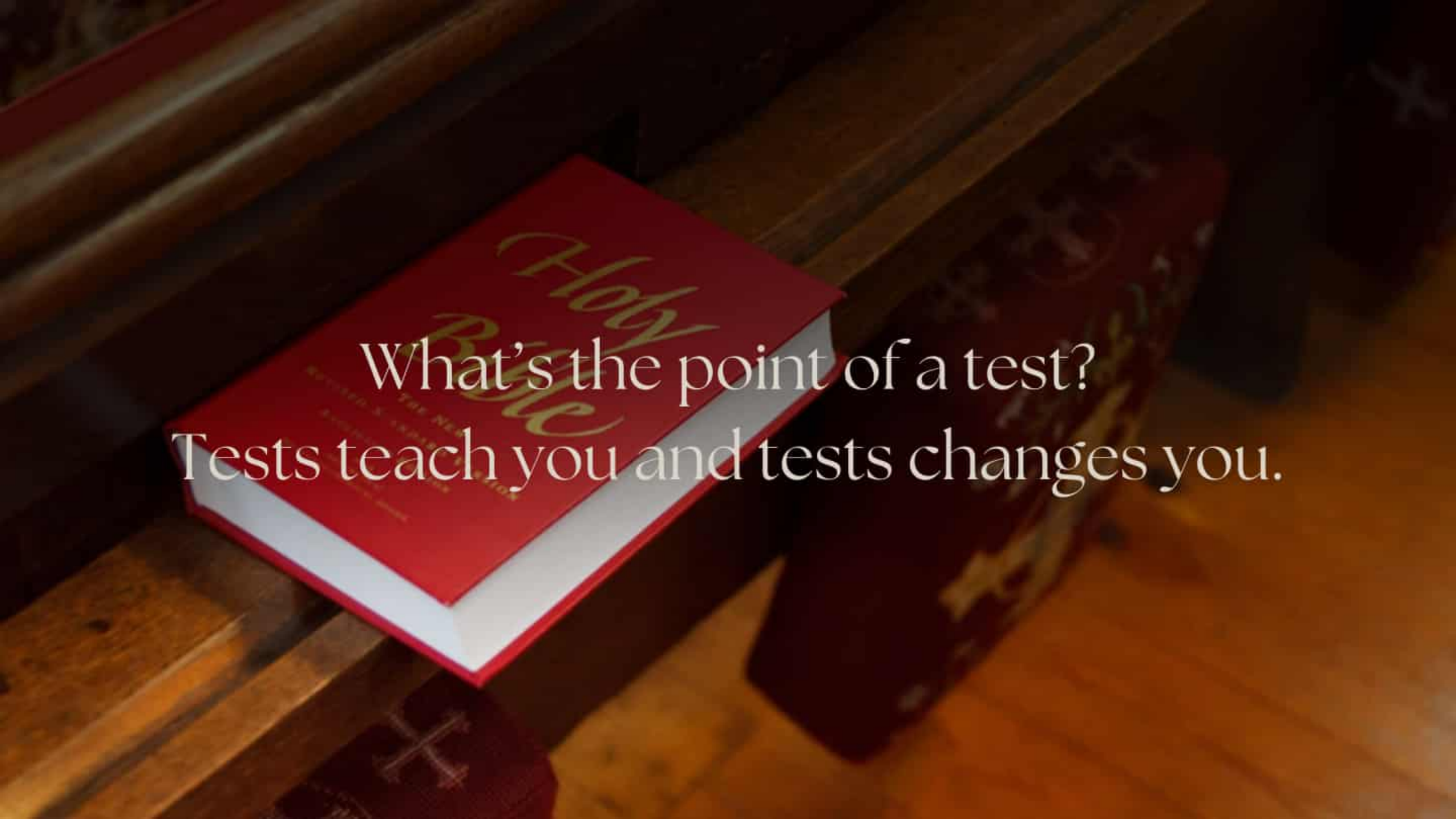

But He knows the way that I take; when
He has tested me, I shall come forth as
gold.”


Job's Words of Spiritual Wrestling:
“He is not there.”
“I cannot perceive Him.”
“I cannot behold Him.”
“I cannot see Him.”


a. Patience
b. Faith &
Faithfulness
c. Love



I Peter 1:6-8, “In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory,”



What's the point of a test?
Tests teach you and tests changes you.

Hebrews 5:8-10, Although He was a son, He learned obedience through what He suffered. And being made perfect, He became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey Him, being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

5. The Season(s) of Battles

Exodus 14:14, The Lord will fight for you; you need only be still.

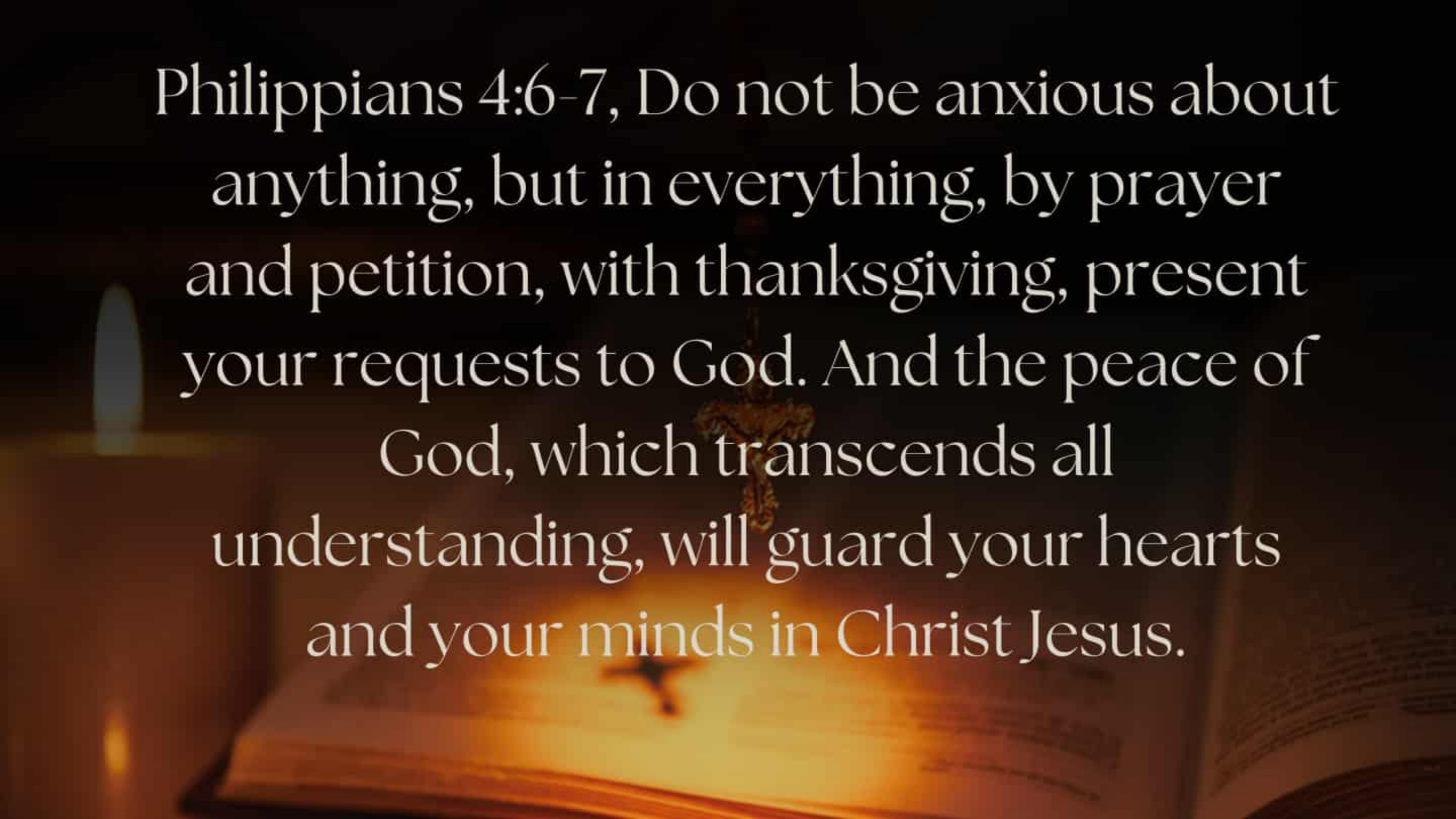



Our strategy for a battle
season begins with
stillness in God.

Psalm 46:10, Be still and know that I am God.


“The pain, loneliness, and battles of today
become the strength of tomorrow.”

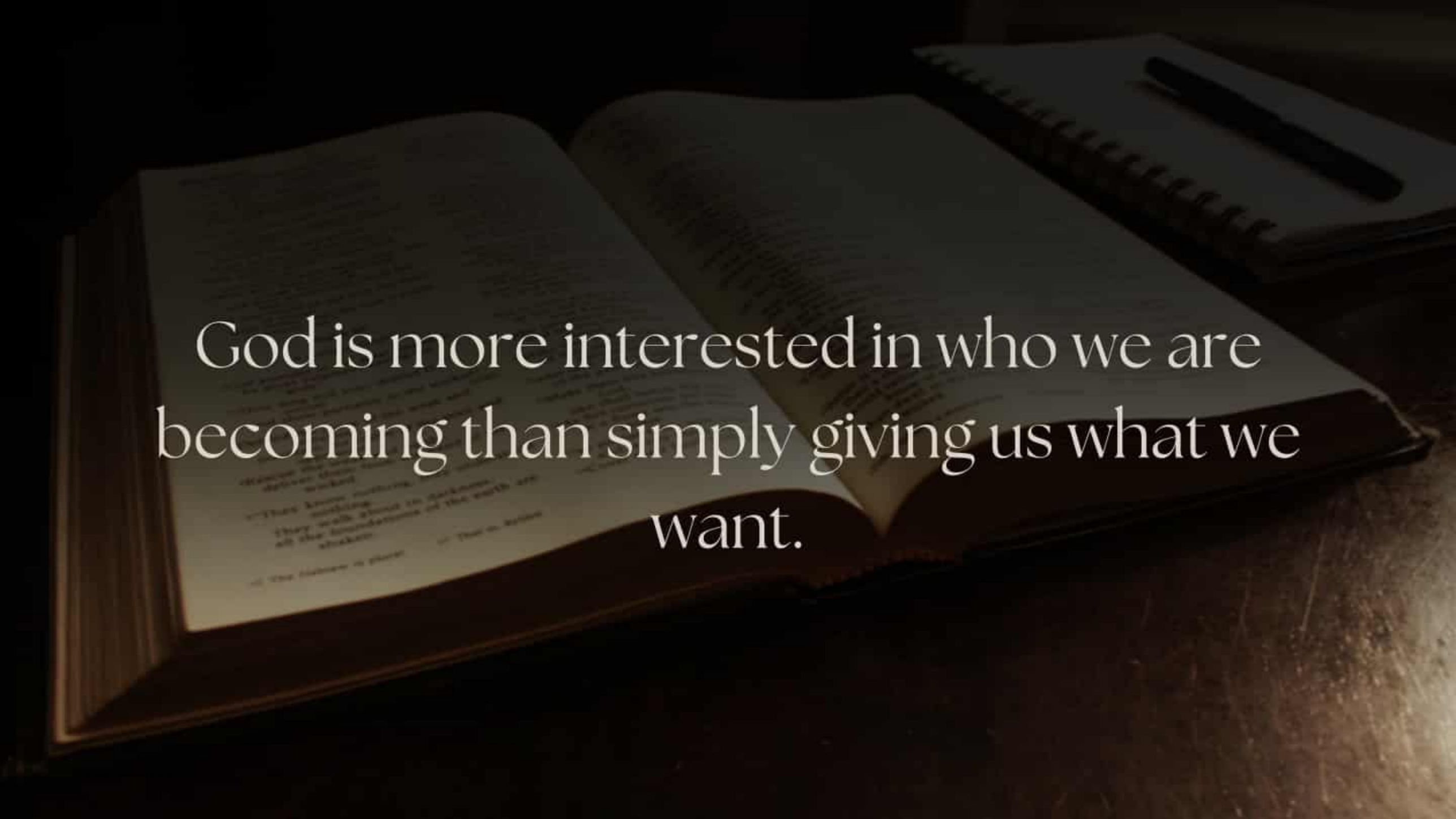
6. Season(s) of Peace

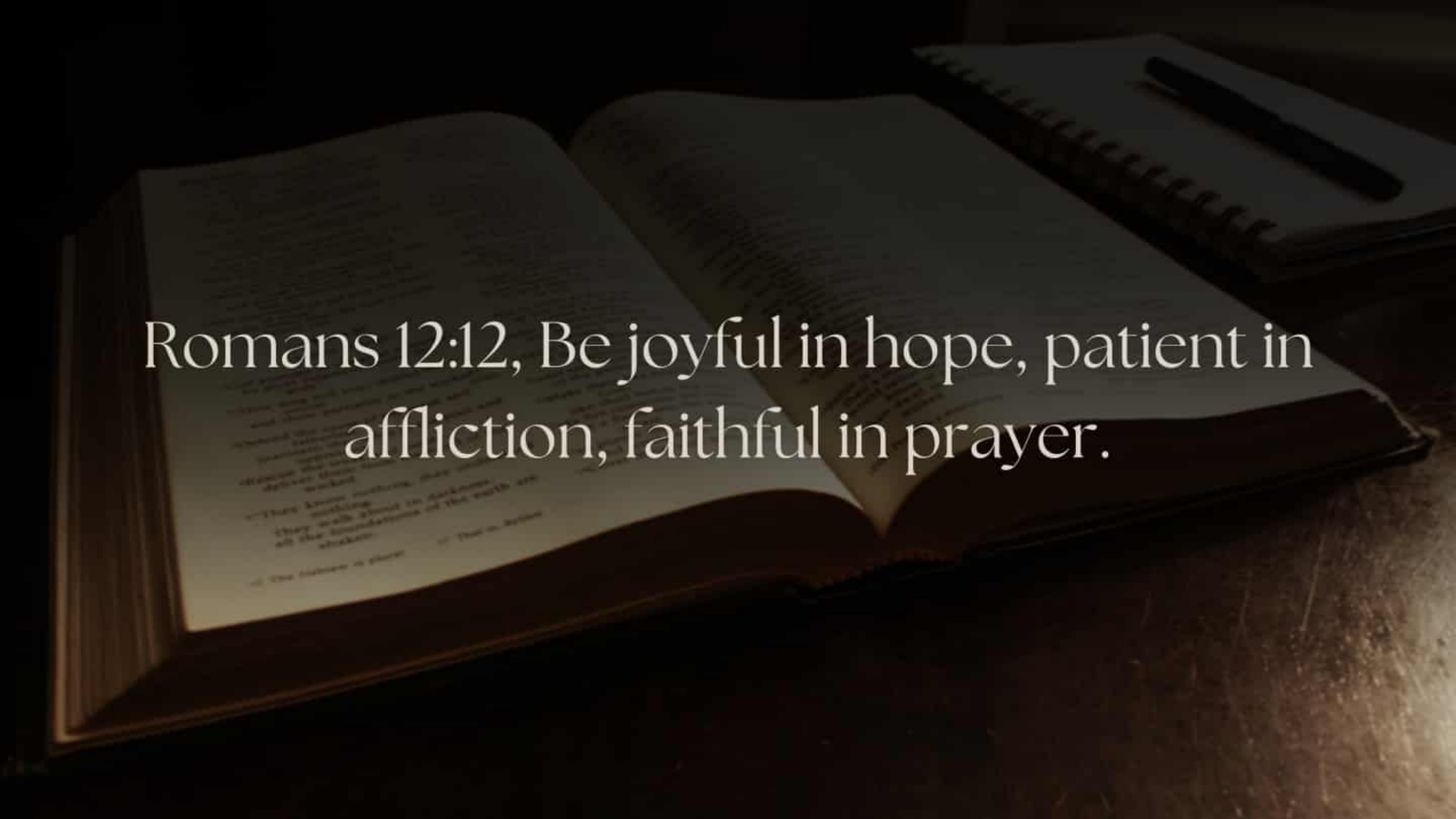

Philippians 4:6-7, Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.


“Don’t let people pull you into their storm. Pull them into your peace.”

7. The Season(s) of Waiting


Psalm 27:14, Wait on the Lord; Be of good courage, And He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the Lord!


God is more interested in who we are becoming than simply giving us what we want.


Romans 12:12, Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.


Lamentations 3:25, The Lord is good to
those who wait for Him, to the soul who
seeks Him.


“A waiting season is never
a wasted season.”


“If God is making you wait,
then be prepared to
receive more than what
you asked for.”

Follow Up Chat Questions:

1. Describe Job's test. How did he respond?
2. What is the purpose(s) of trials?
3. What lessons do Job's story teach us?
4. Describe a battle season. How should you respond?
5. How should we respond to seasons of peace?
6. Explain the benefits of a waiting season.
7. What part of the lesson resonated with you?