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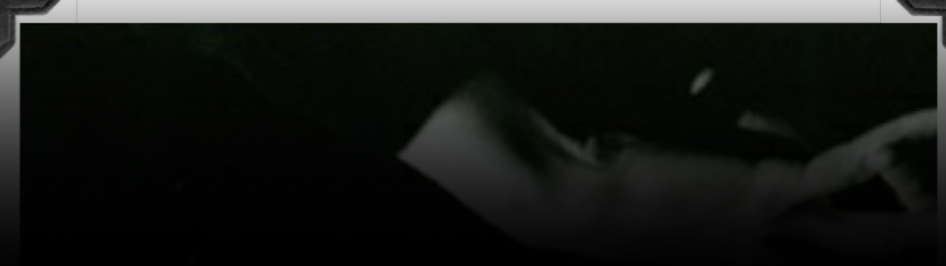


THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

GOOD NEWS OF GREAT JOY FOR ALL PEOPLE

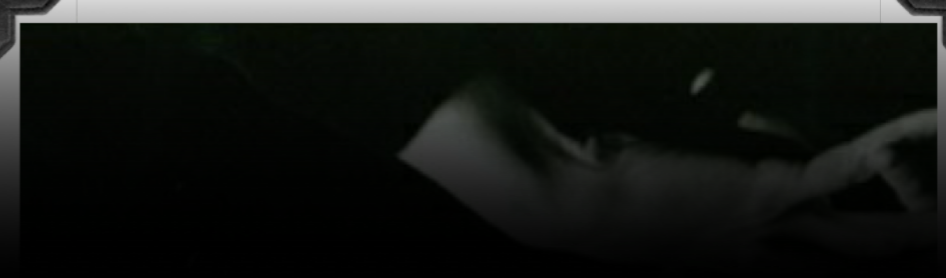
“Revelation”

— Flannery O’Connor —



**...you have to make
your vision apparent by
shock -- to the hard of
hearing you shout, and
for the almost blind
you draw large and
startling figures.**

— Flannery O'Connor —



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37 While Jesus was speaking, a Pharisee asked him to dine with him, so he went in and reclined at table.

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38 The Pharisee was astonished to see that he did not wash before dinner.

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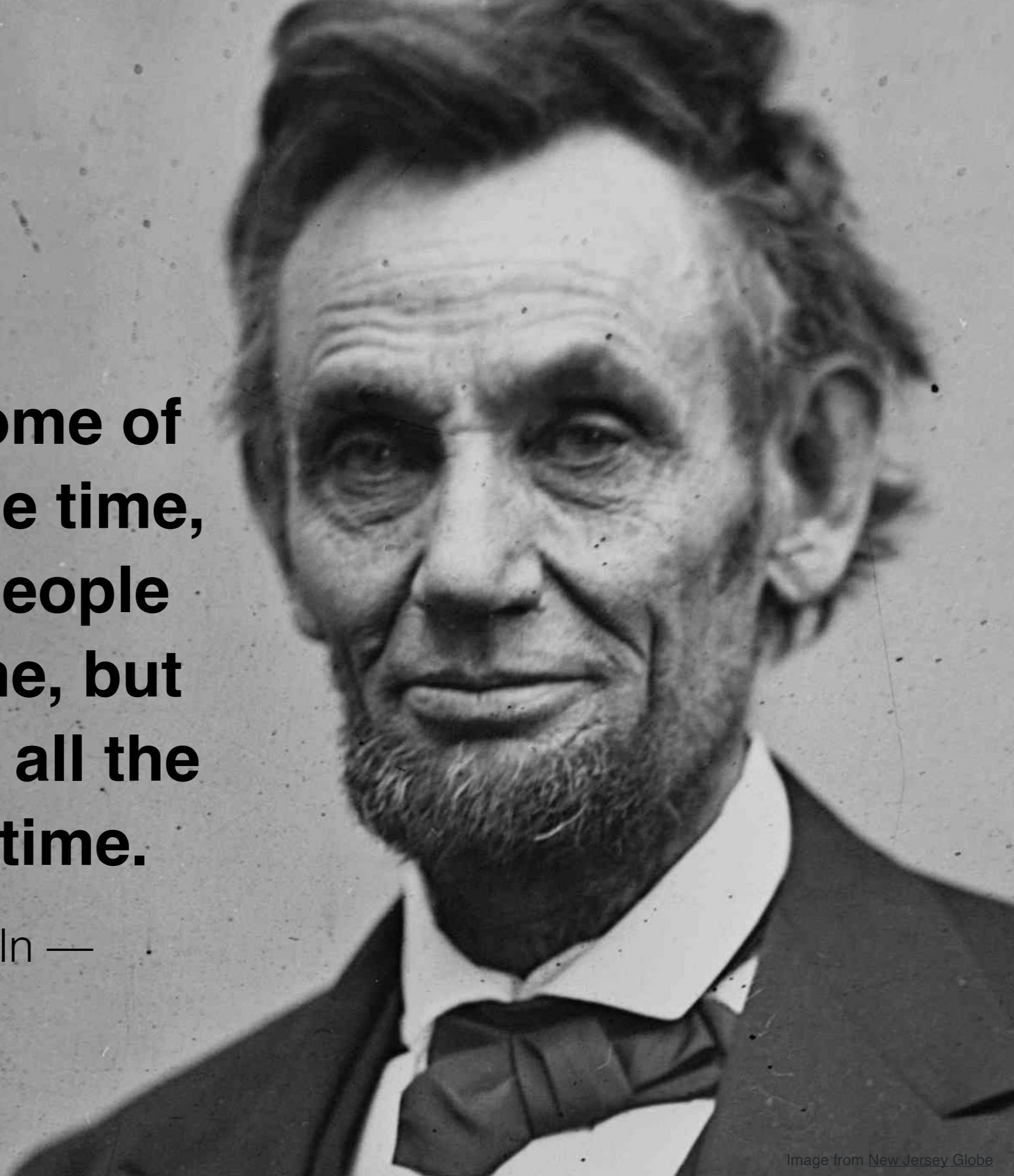
The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him.

And he said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts.”

— The Gospel of Luke 16:14 —

**You can fool some of
the people all the time,
and all of the people
some of the time, but
you cannot fool all the
people all the time.**

— Abraham Lincoln —





**We spend too much
precious time and
energy managing
perception and
creating carefully
edited versions of
ourselves to show
to the world.**

— Brené Brown —

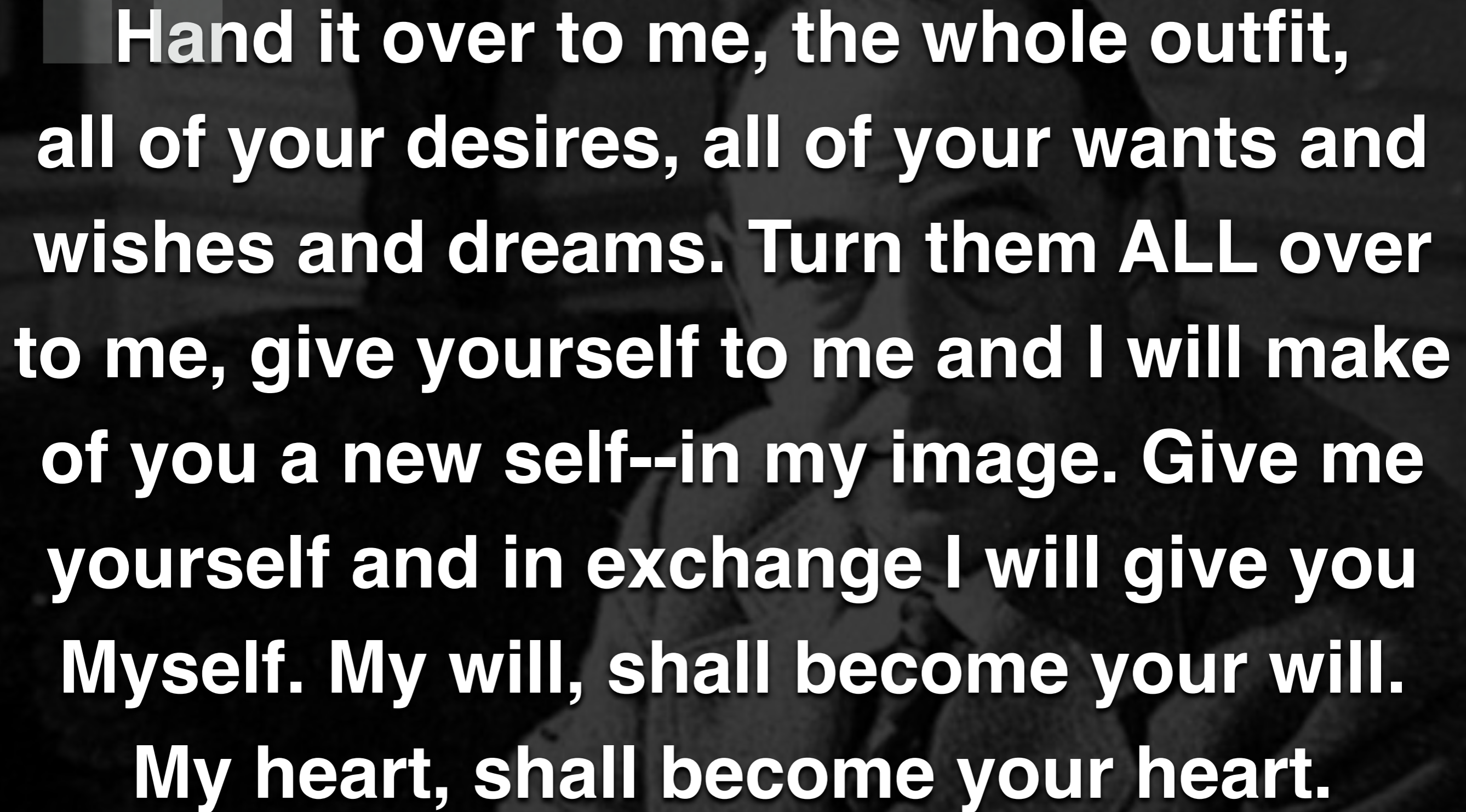
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41 But give as alms those things that are within, and behold, everything is clean for you.





Give me all of you!!! I don't want so much of your time, so much of your talents and money, and so much of your work. I want YOU!!! ALL OF YOU...! No half measures will do. I don't want to only prune a branch here and a branch there; rather I want the whole tree out!



**Hand it over to me, the whole outfit,
all of your desires, all of your wants and
wishes and dreams. Turn them ALL over
to me, give yourself to me and I will make
of you a new self--in my image. Give me
yourself and in exchange I will give you
Myself. My will, shall become your will.
My heart, shall become your heart.**

— CS Lewis, *Mere Christianity* —

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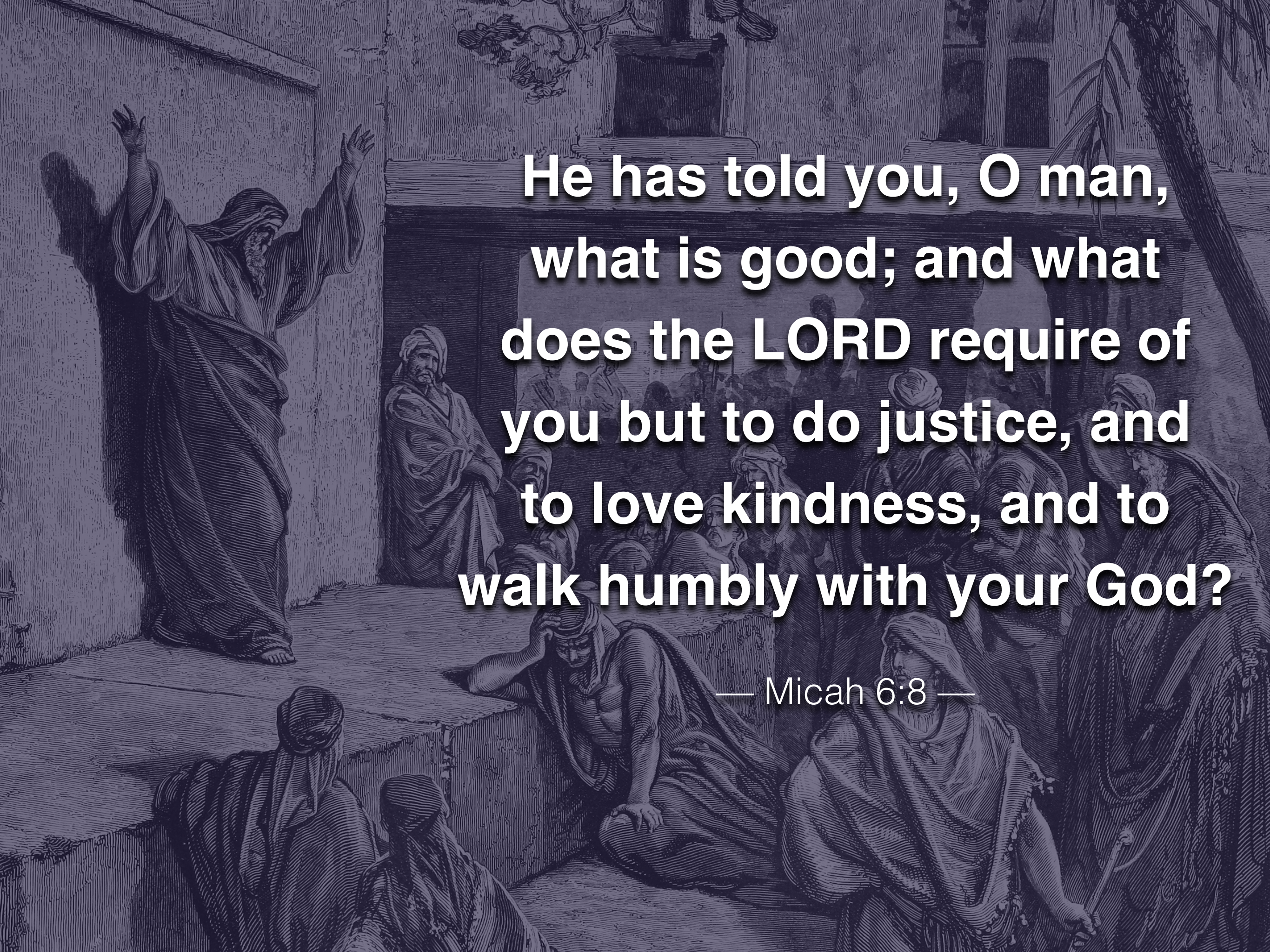


“Woe to you...”

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These you ought to have done, without neglecting the others.



**He has told you, O man,
what is good; and what
does the LORD require of
you but to do justice, and
to love kindness, and to
walk humbly with your God?**

— Micah 6:8 —

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THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO
MATTHEW

Christ

Genealogy of Jesus Christ,
the son of Abraham.

of Isaac, and Isaac

been betrothed⁶ to
together she was fo
the Holy Spirit.
being a just ma
shame, resolve

**Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees,
hypocrites! For you tithe mint and dill and
cumin, and have neglected the weightier
matters of the law: justice and mercy and
faithfulness. These you ought to have done,
without neglecting the others.**

— Jesus of Nazareth in the Gospel of Matthew 23:23 —



In 1855, abolitionist and educator John Fee estimated that ministers of the gospel and members of Protestant churches owned a total of 660,563 slaves whose total value amounted to \$264 million. (Adjusted for inflation, the sum is the equivalent to about \$8 billion today).



However, it was not individual members or ministers of local churches alone but local churches *themselves* that owned slaves. In this perverse and galling practice, congregations purchased slaves who were hired out to the highest bidder on an annual basis.



The compensation for the leased labor of the slaves typically paid the minister's salaries—over the course of one hundred years in one church's case—thereby relieving congregants of the responsibility of contributing personal tithes and offerings.

— Eugene Cho & Greg Thompson —
Reparations: A Christian Call to Repentance & Repair

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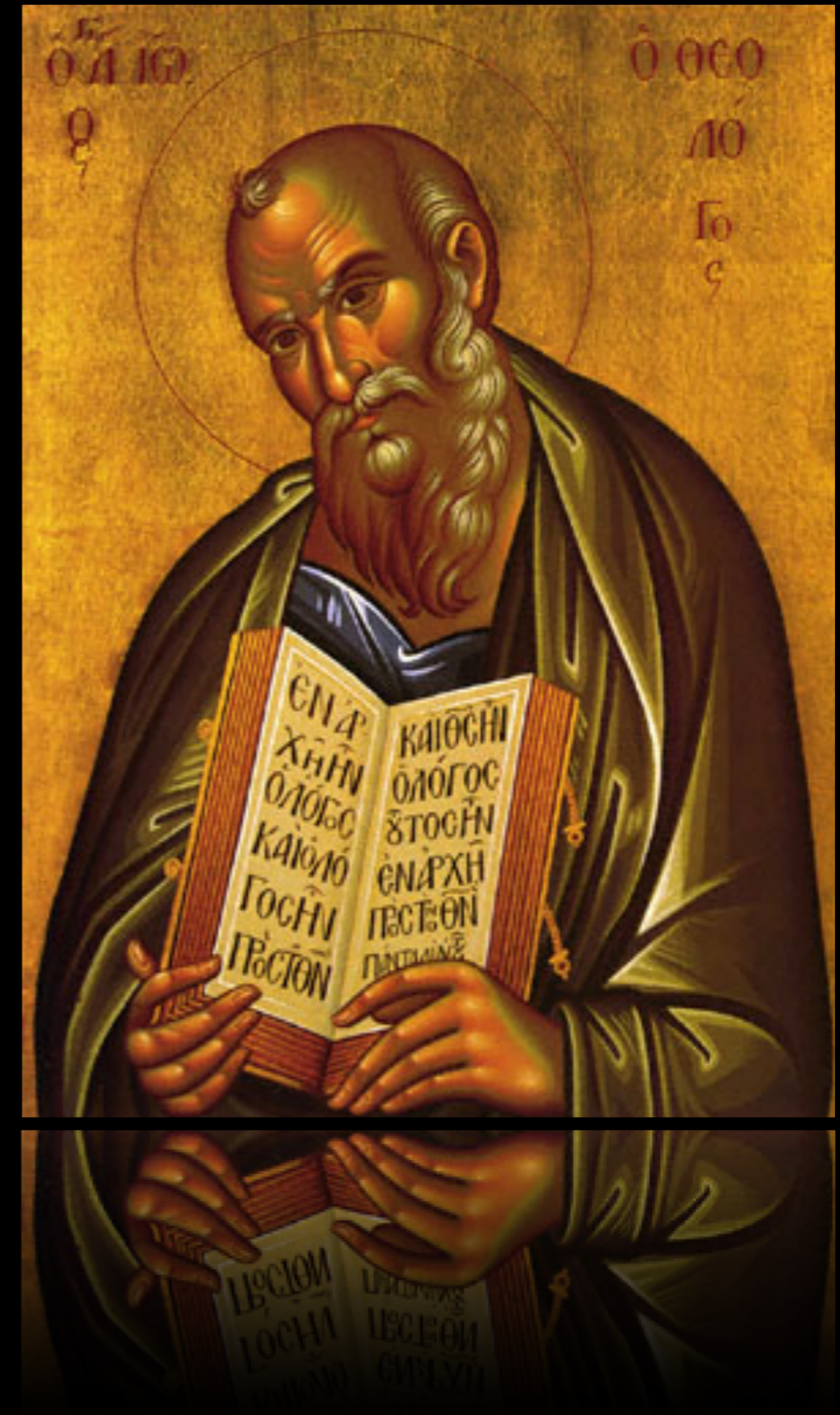
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43 **Woe** to you Pharisees! For you **love** the best seat in the synagogues and greetings in the marketplaces.

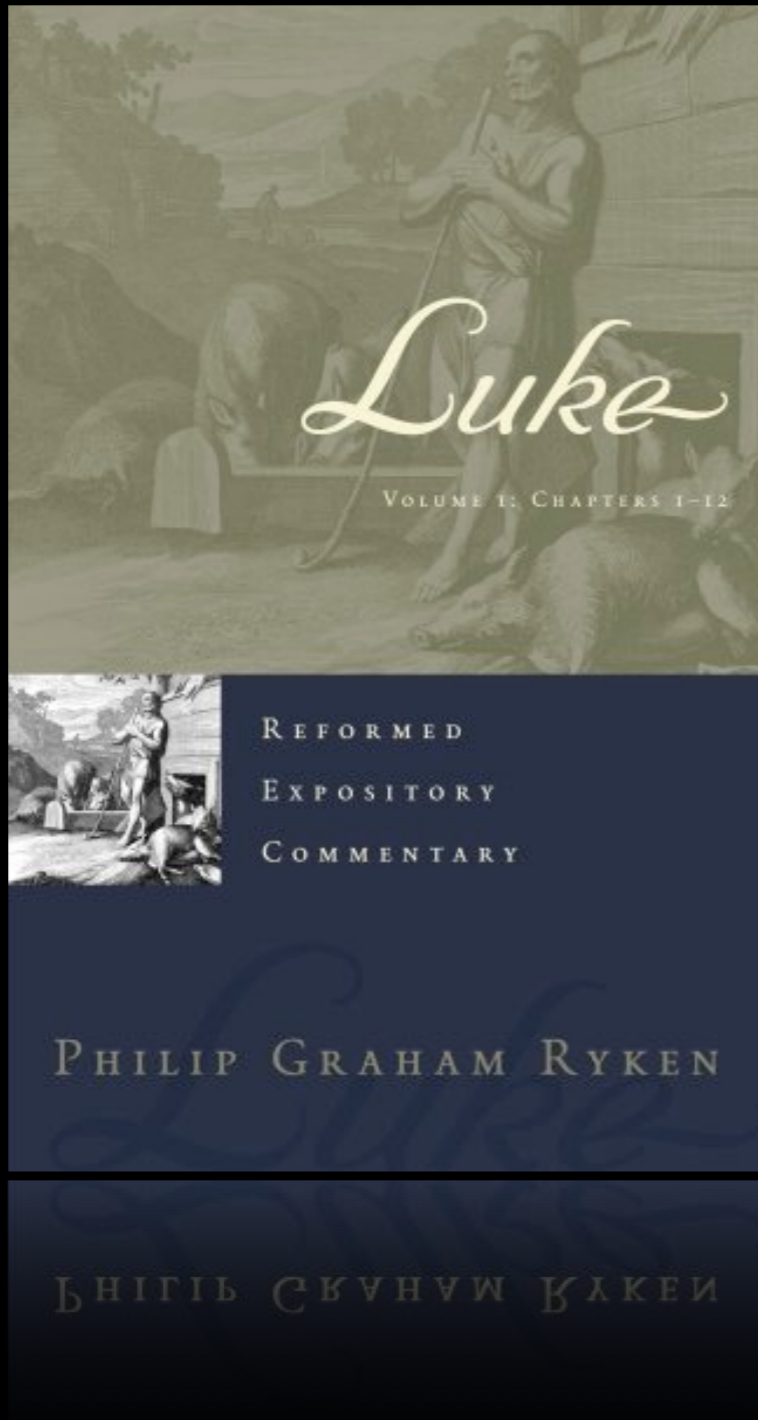
**How can you believe
when you accept each
other's praise and do
not look for the praise
that comes from the
only God?**

— The Gospel of John 5:44 (ISV) —

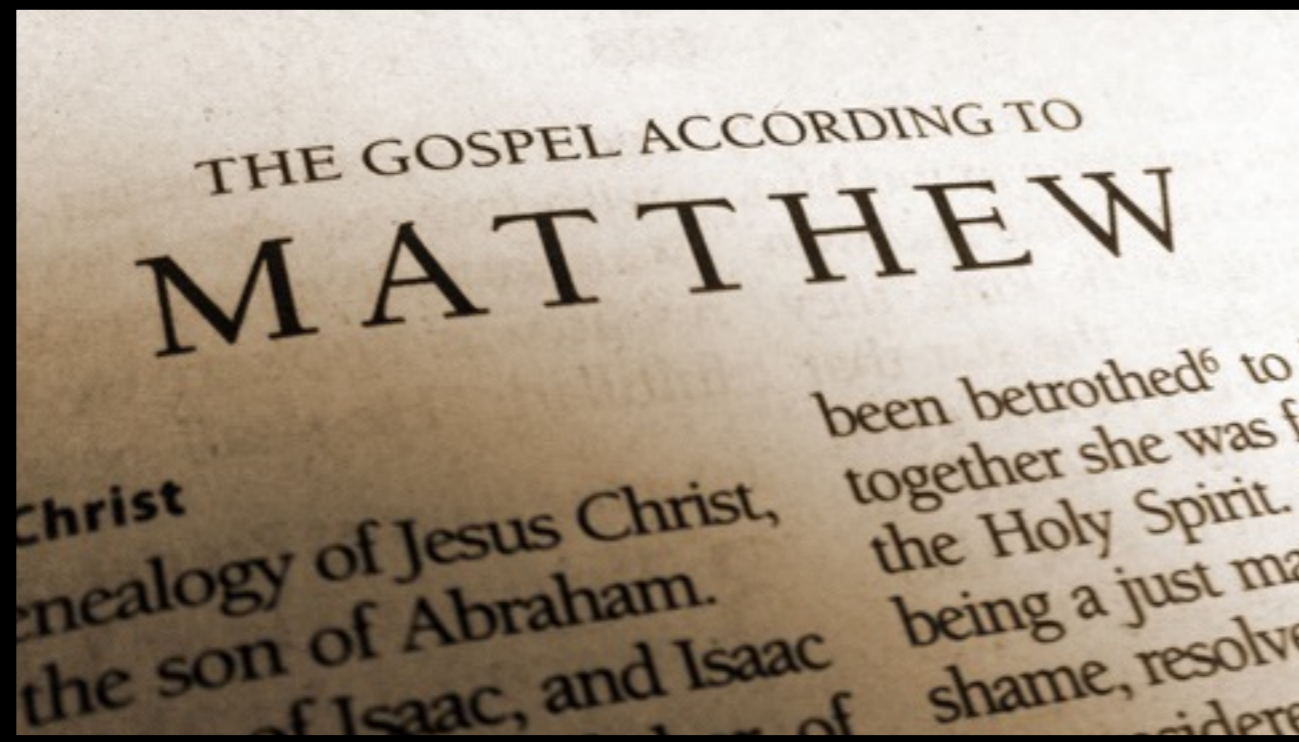


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44 **Woe** to you! For you are like unmarked graves, and people walk over them without knowing it.



**They were the most
spiritually dangerous
people in Israel.**



**Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees,
hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed
tombs which outwardly appear beautiful, but
within are full of dead peoples bones and all
uncleanness. So you also appear outwardly
righteous to others, but within are full of
hypocrisy and lawlessness.**

— Jesus of Nazareth in the Gospel of Matthew 23:27 —

IMPORTANT QUESTION

**WHY DOES LUKE RECORD THIS
QUESTION IN HIS HISTORICAL
BIOGRAPHY OF JESUS?**

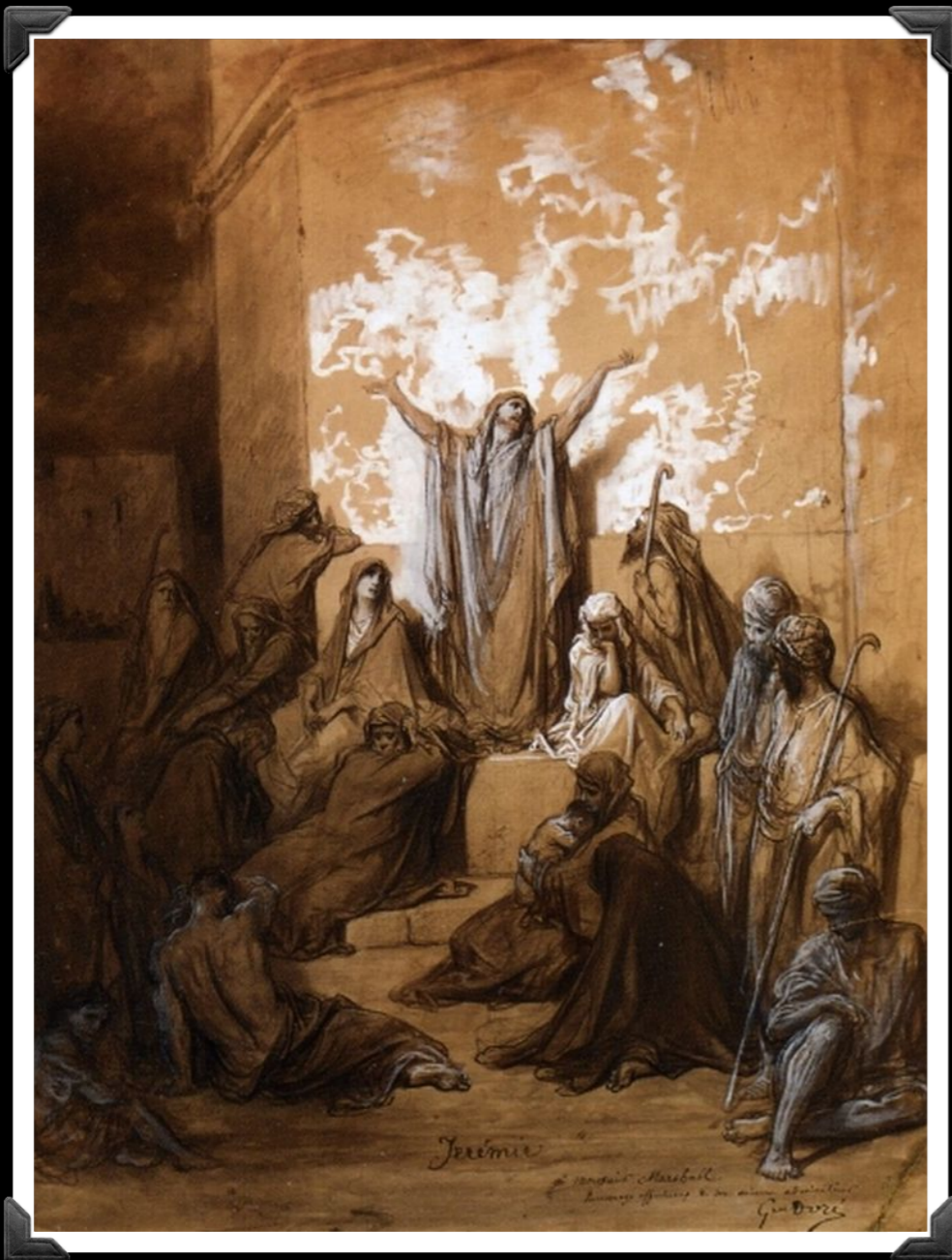
**WE WANT TO IMPRESS OTHERS
WITH THE OUTSIDE, BUT JESUS
WANTS TO ADDRESS WHAT'S
ON THE INSIDE**

Let's Receive the Diagnosis



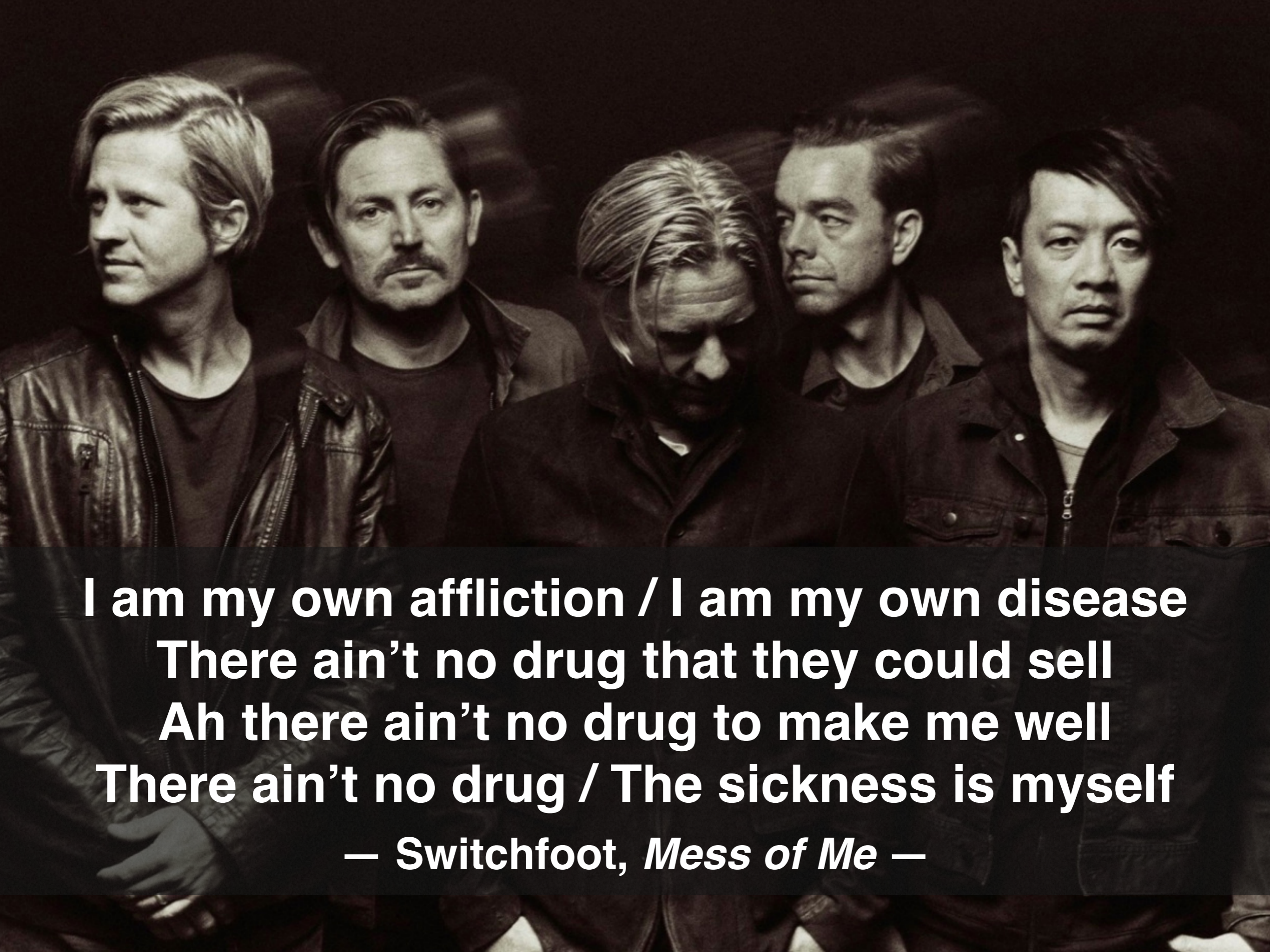
**Religion / DIY spirituality
is very good at helping
you create carefully edited
versions of yourself to show
to God and to the the world,
but Jesus has come to
change us from the inside out.**

**YOUR
"GOODNESS"
CAN ACTUALLY
KEEP YOU
FROM GOD**



**All of us have become
like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous
acts are like filthy rags....**

— Isaiah 64:6 —



**I am my own affliction / I am my own disease
There ain't no drug that they could sell
Ah there ain't no drug to make me well
There ain't no drug / The sickness is myself
— Switchfoot, *Mess of Me* —**



Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.

Jesus of Nazareth
Gospel of Luke 5:31-32



**When the goodness
and loving kindness
of God our Savior
appeared, he saved us,
not because of works
done by us in righteous-
ness, but according to
his own mercy,**



**by the washing of
regeneration and renewal
of the Holy Spirit, whom
he poured out on us
richly through Jesus
Christ our Savior, so that
being justified by his
grace we might become
heirs according to the
hope of eternal life.**



**The saying is trustworthy,
and I want you to insist
on these things, so that
those who have believed
in God may be careful to
devote themselves to
good works. These
things are excellent and
profitable for people.**

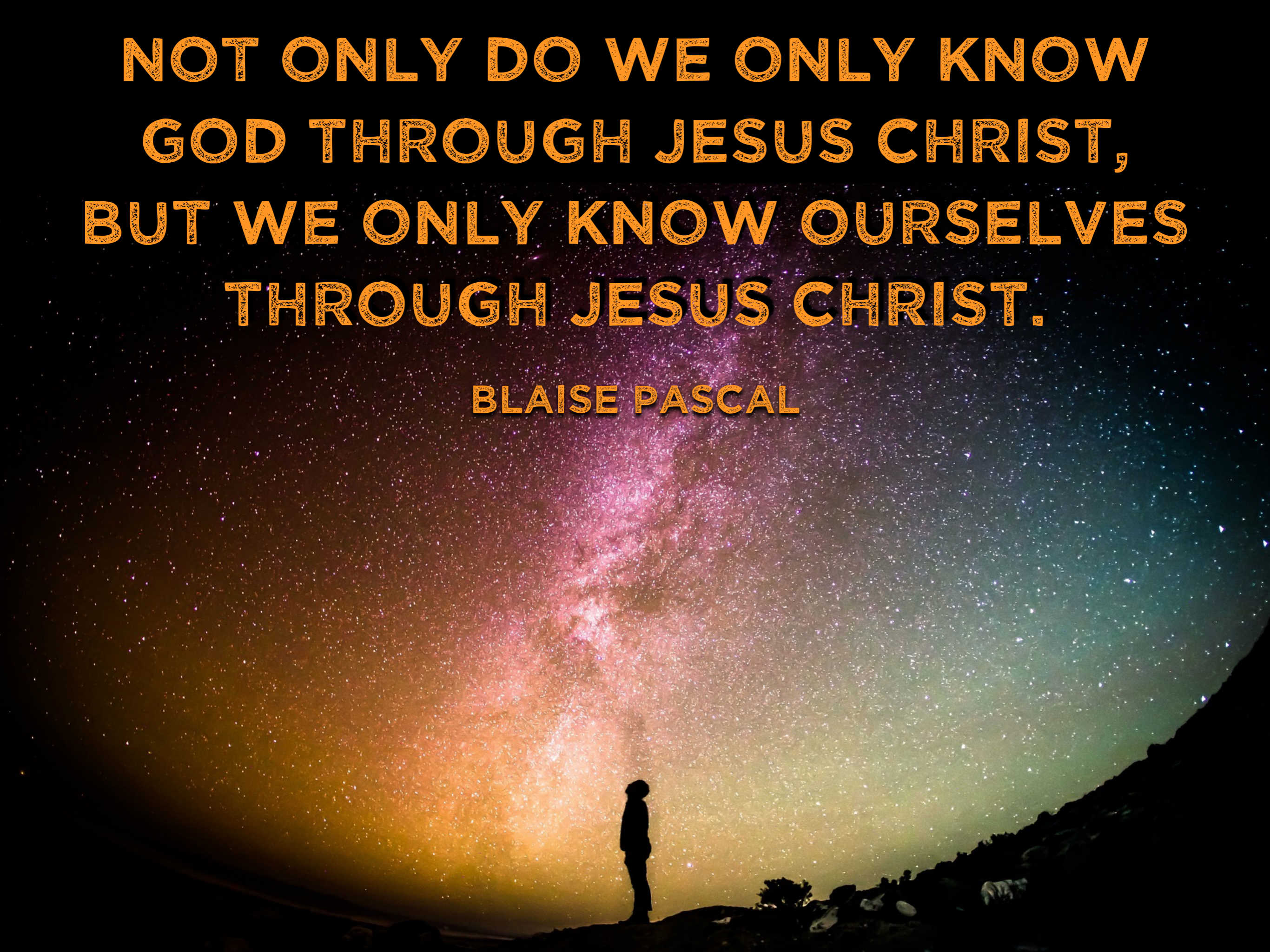
— Titus 3:4-8 —

**Let's Live the
INSIDE OUT
Revolution
of Jesus**



**NOT ONLY DO WE ONLY KNOW
GOD THROUGH JESUS CHRIST,
BUT WE ONLY KNOW OURSELVES
THROUGH JESUS CHRIST.**

BLAISE PASCAL



**“What’s it like to be
on the other side of me?”**

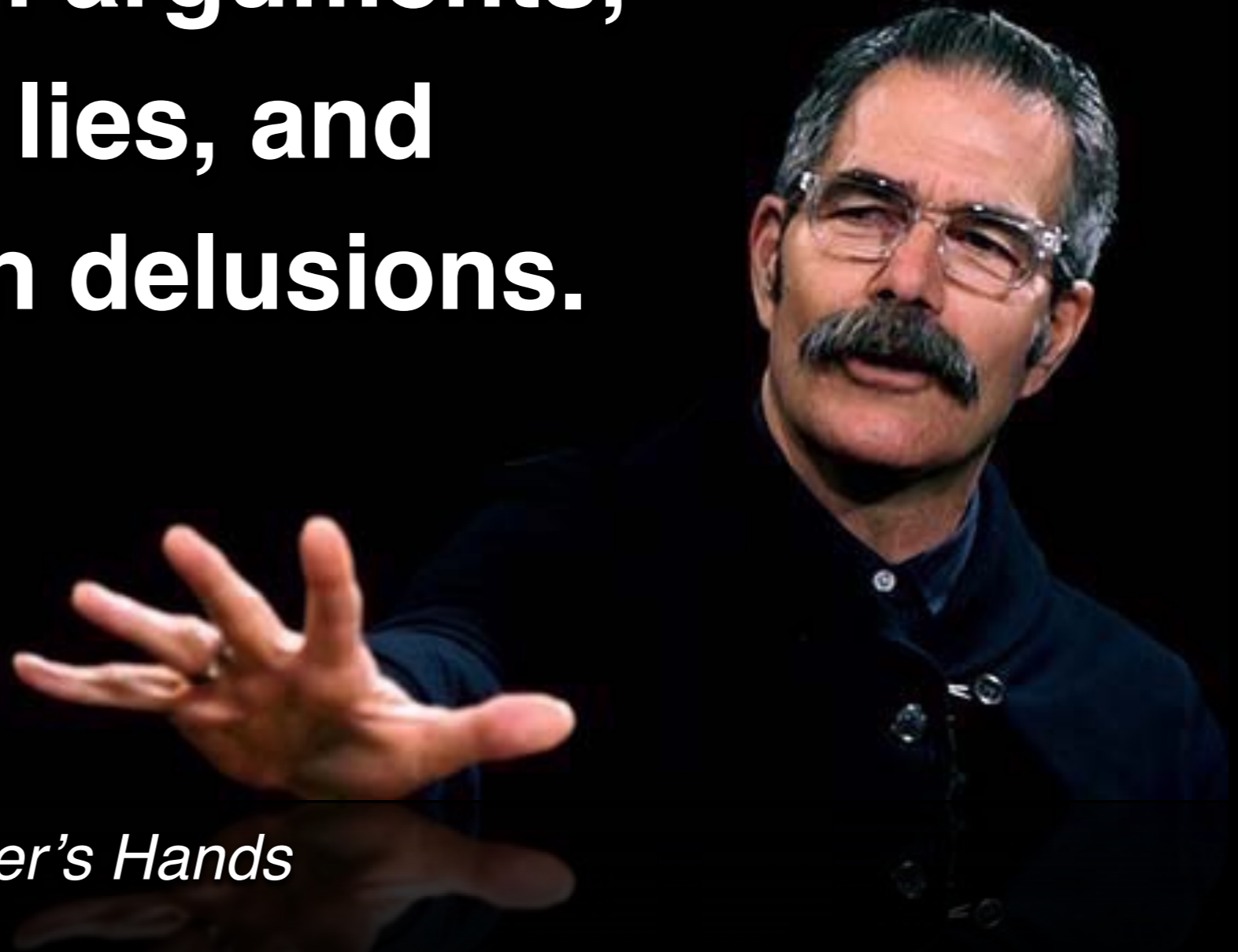
Jeff Henderson



**You can fool
yourself, you
know. You'd think
it's impossible,
but it turns out
it's the easiest
thing of all.**

Jodi Picoult

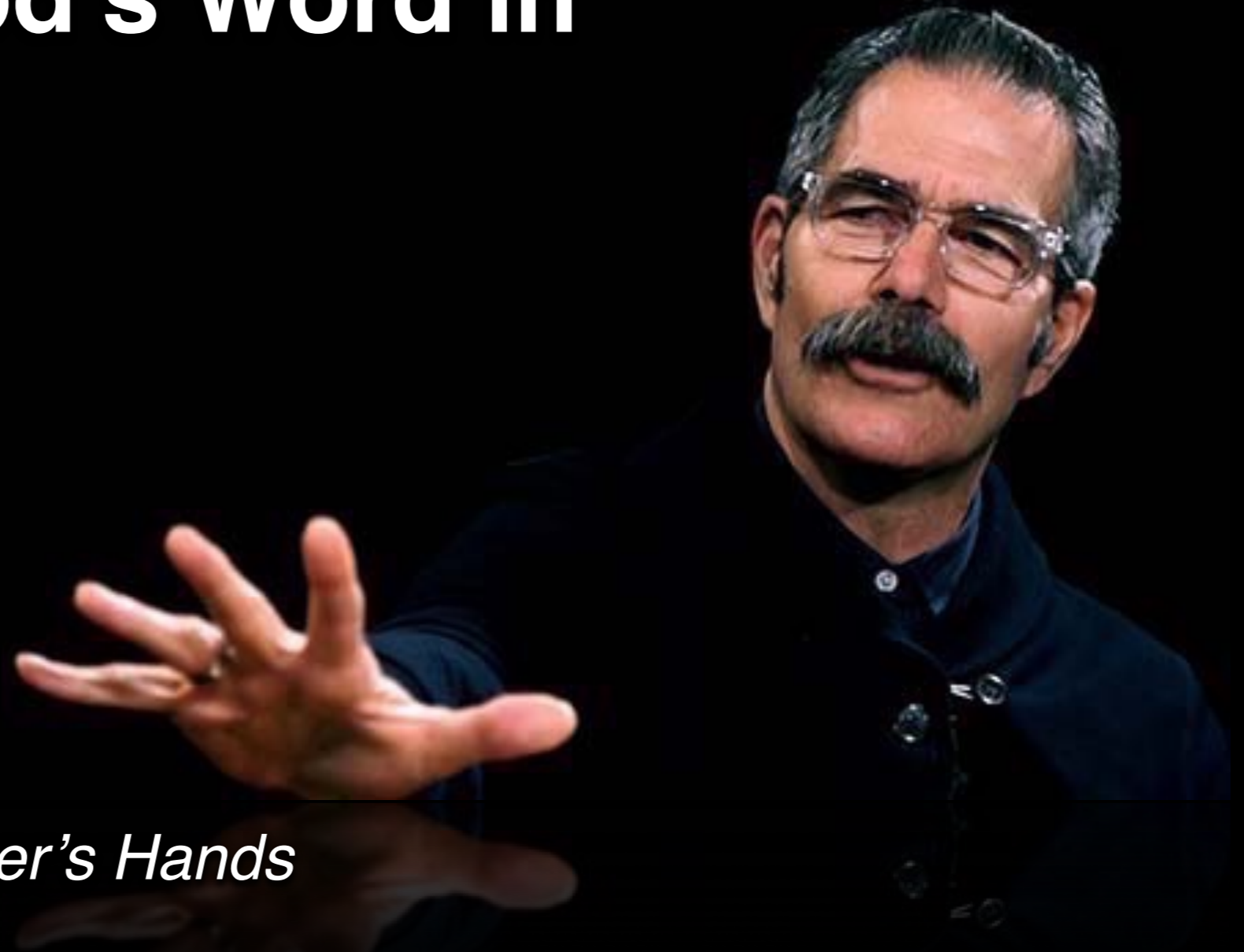
...personal insight is a product of community. I need you in order to really see and know myself. Otherwise, I will listen to my own arguments, believe my own lies, and buy into my own delusions.



Paul David Tripp

Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands

My self-perception is as accurate as a carnival mirror. If I am going to see myself clearly, I need you to hold the mirror of God's Word in front of me.



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**His master said to him,
“Well done, good and faithful
servant.... Enter into the joy
of your master.”**

Jesus of Nazareth

The Gospel of Matthew 25:23

**MHC, may God's transforming
grace work so deeply in you**



**that you live out the INSIDE OUT
revolution of Jesus!**