

# Paul's Loving Charge to the Church

Week 4 – Heart of the Father; Work of the Son

1 Timothy 2:1-7

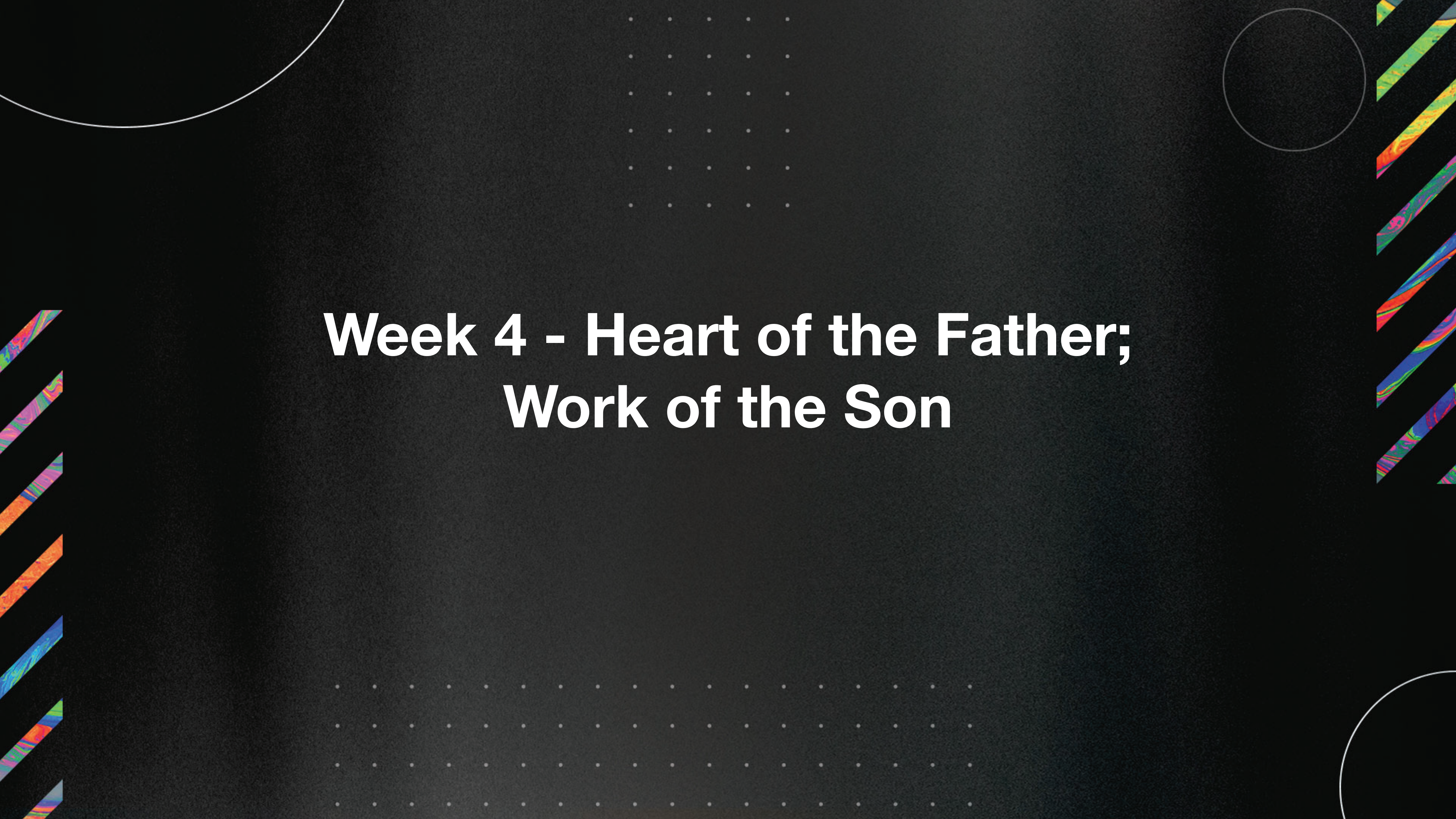
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The **aim of our charge is love** that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith.

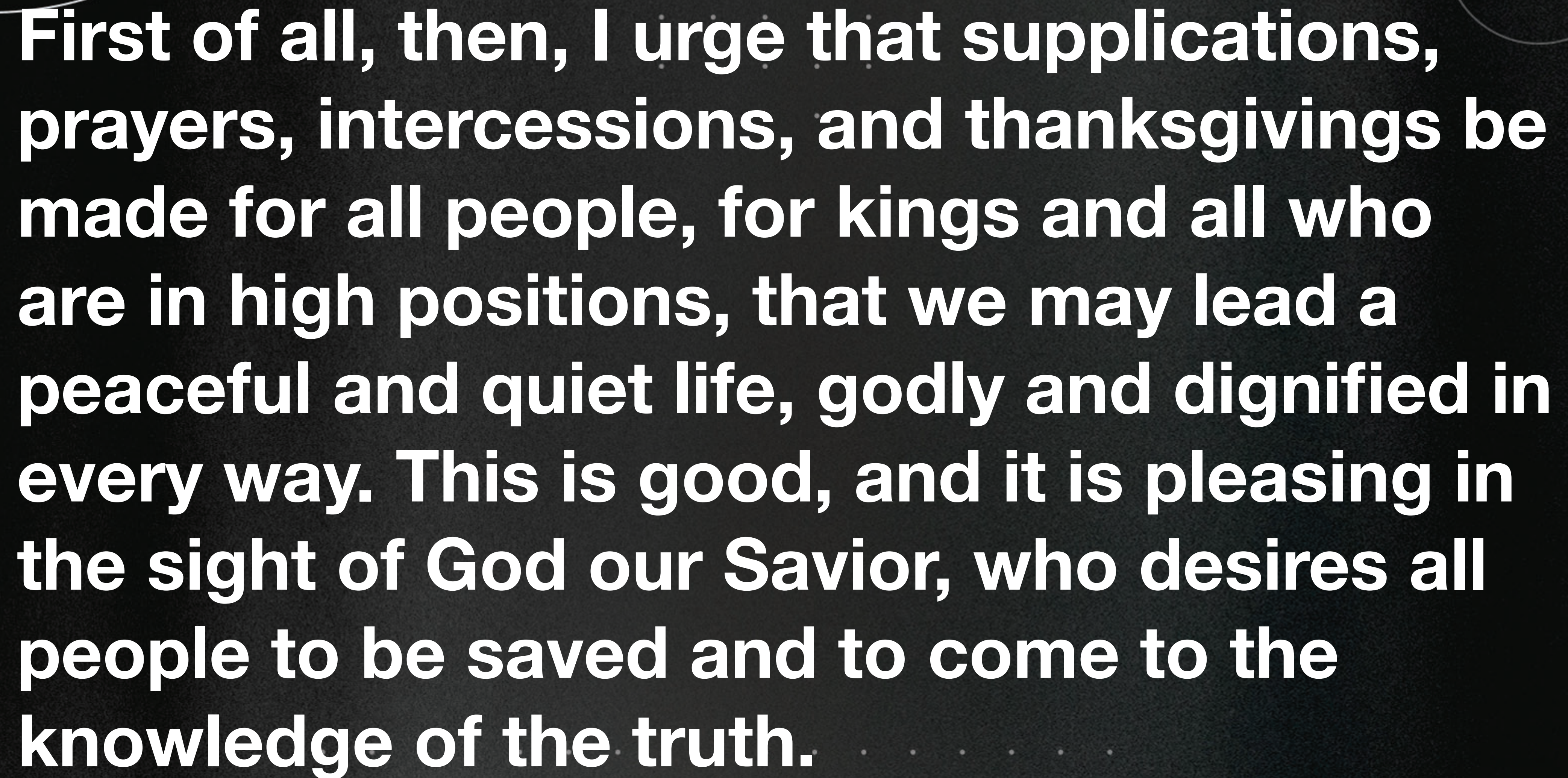
*1 Timothy 1:5 ESV*





**Week 4 - Heart of the Father;  
Work of the Son**





**First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.**



**For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.**

*1 Timothy 2:1-7 ESV*





**Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving.**

*Colossians 4:2 ESV*



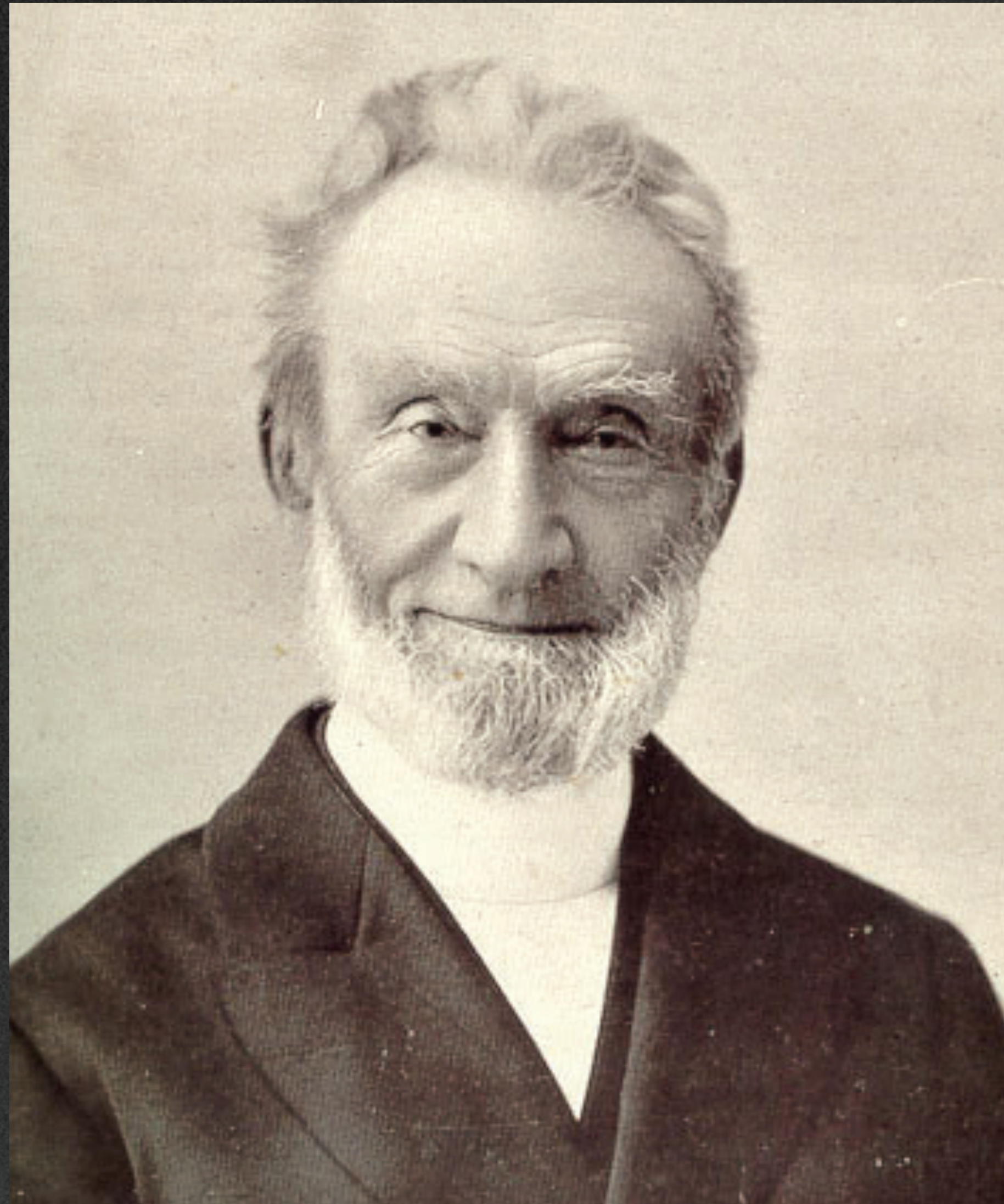
Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Jesus Christ, greets you, always **struggling** on your behalf in his prayers, that you may stand mature and fully assured in all the will of God.

*Colossians 4:12 ESV*



**Struggling - agonizomai (Greek) - agony**  
**Used to describe athletes striving,**  
**agonizing, in athletic contests.**





**George Müller**

*evangelist, director of Ashley Down orphanage,  
a founder of the Plymouth Brethren movement  
(b. 1805 – d. 1898)*



**Supplications:** petitions, asking for help, assistance.

**Prayers:** a general word for praying.

**Intercessions:** praying for others and others' needs.

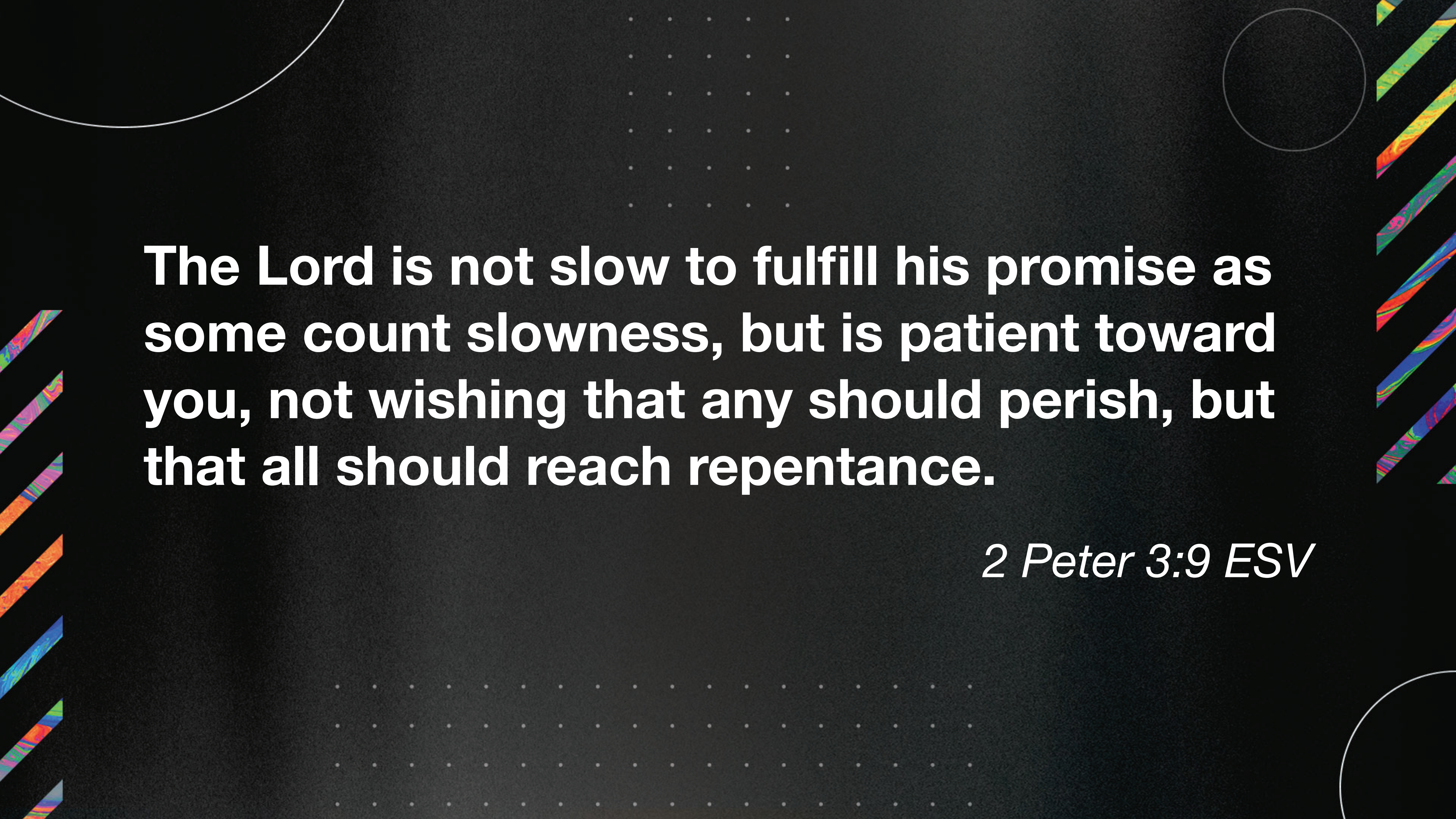
**Thanksgivings:** to give thanks. As we pray for others, we give thanks because we trust that God is working according to his perfect will and timing.



**Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people.**

*1 Peter 2:13-15 ESV*

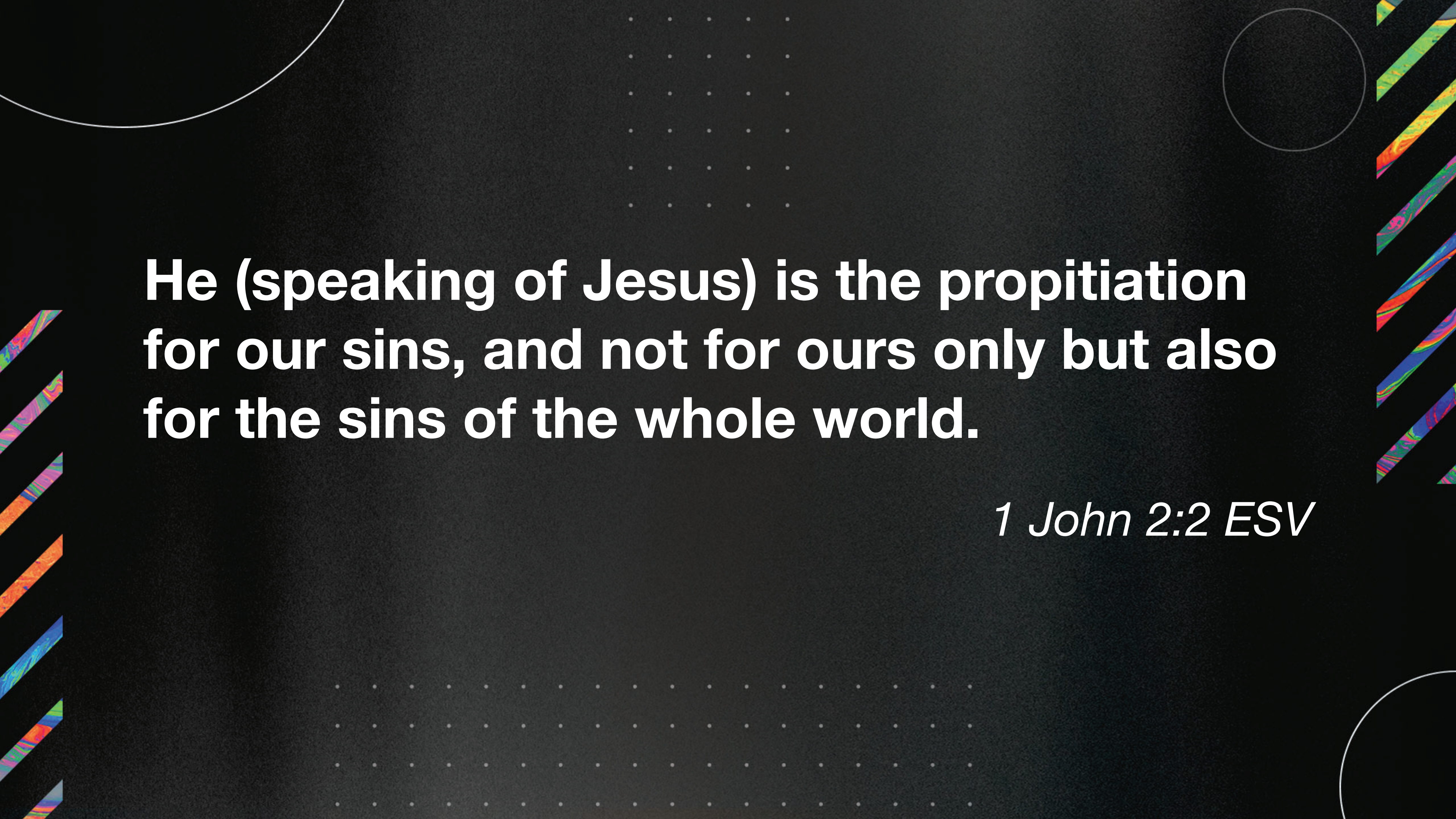




**The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.**

*2 Peter 3:9 ESV*





**He (speaking of Jesus) is the propitiation  
for our sins, and not for ours only but also  
for the sins of the whole world.**

*1 John 2:2 ESV*



**But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.**

*Romans 5:8-10 ESV*



**But as it is, Christ has obtained a ministry that is as much more excellent than the old as the covenant he mediates is better, since it is enacted on better promises.**

*Hebrews 8:5 ESV*



**One who acts as a guarantee so as to secure something which otherwise would not be obtained.**

*Expository Dictionary  
of New Testament Words*



**Who is there to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died – more than that, who was raised – who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.**

*Romans 8:34 ESV*



**For our sake he (God the Father) made him (Jesus the Son) to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him (Jesus) we might become the righteousness of God.**

*2 Corinthians 5:21 ESV*

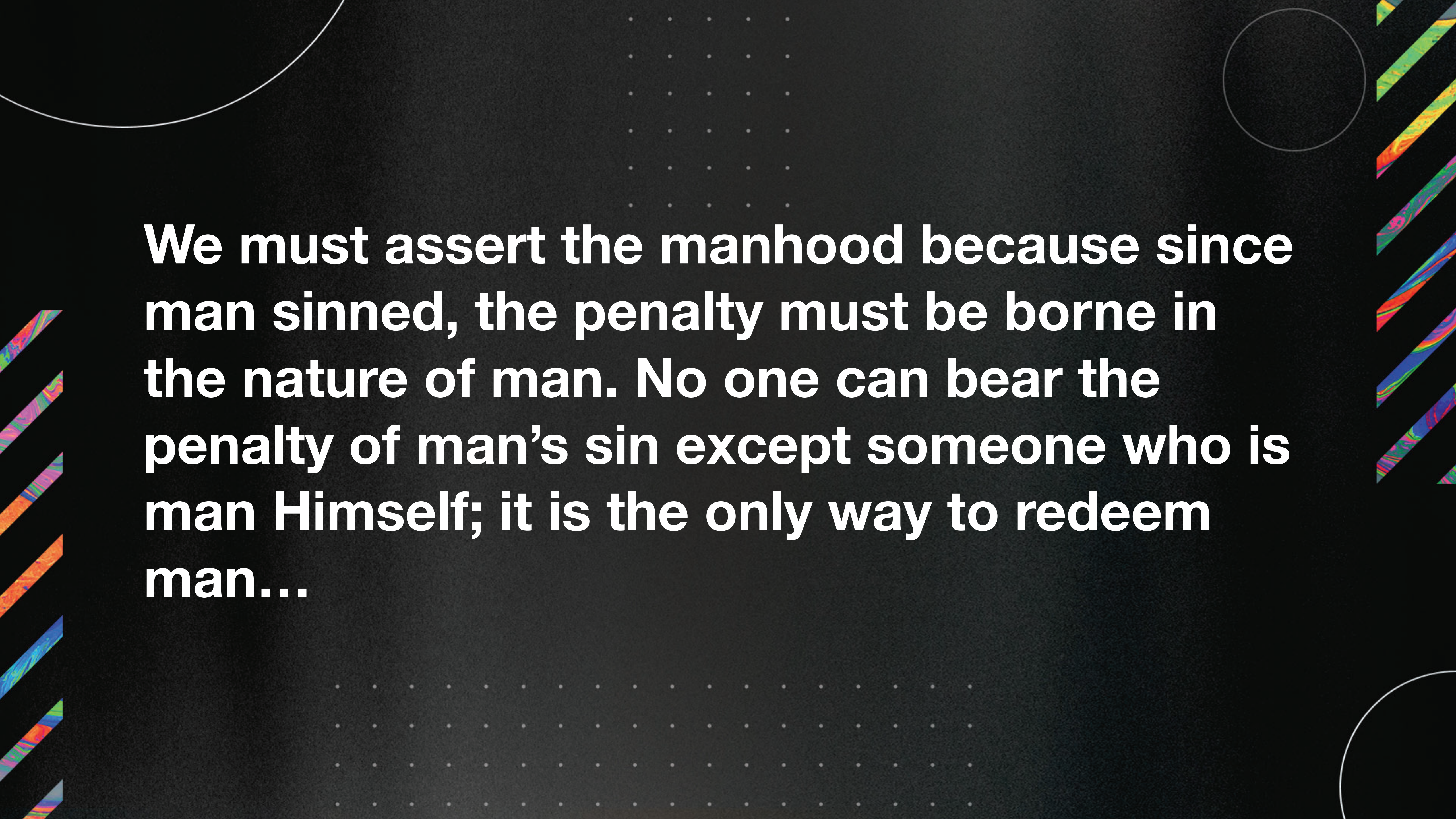




***Dr D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones***

*Doctor and Minister  
(b.1899 - d.1981)  
(Rendering)*





**We must assert the manhood because since man sinned, the penalty must be borne in the nature of man. No one can bear the penalty of man's sin except someone who is man Himself; it is the only way to redeem man...**



**it is equally necessary that we must assert the Godhead or the divine nature, and for this great reason: in order that His sacrifice might have infinite value, He had to be God as well as man.**

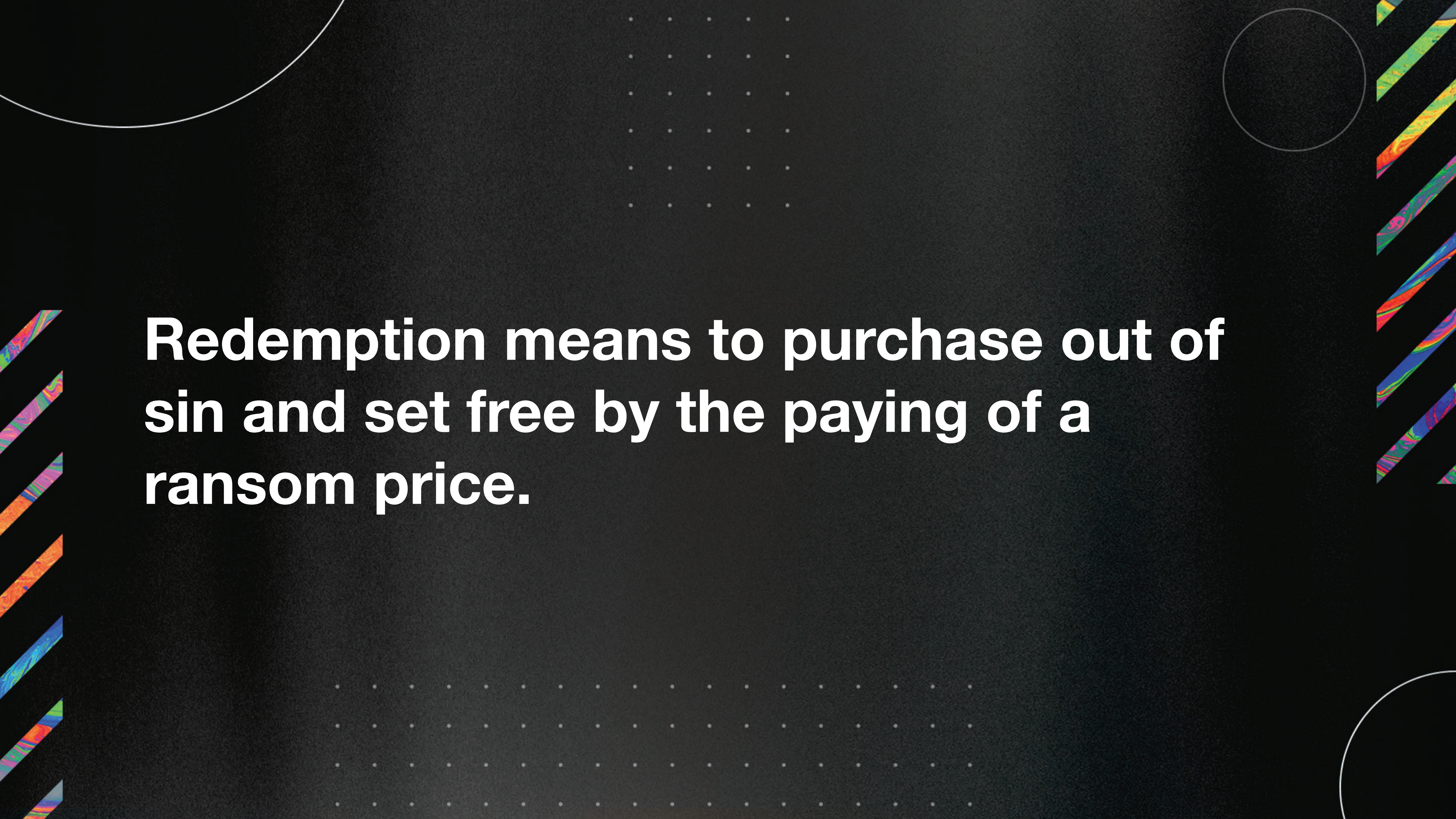
*Dr. D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones*



**...knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.**

*1 Peter 1:18-19 ESV*





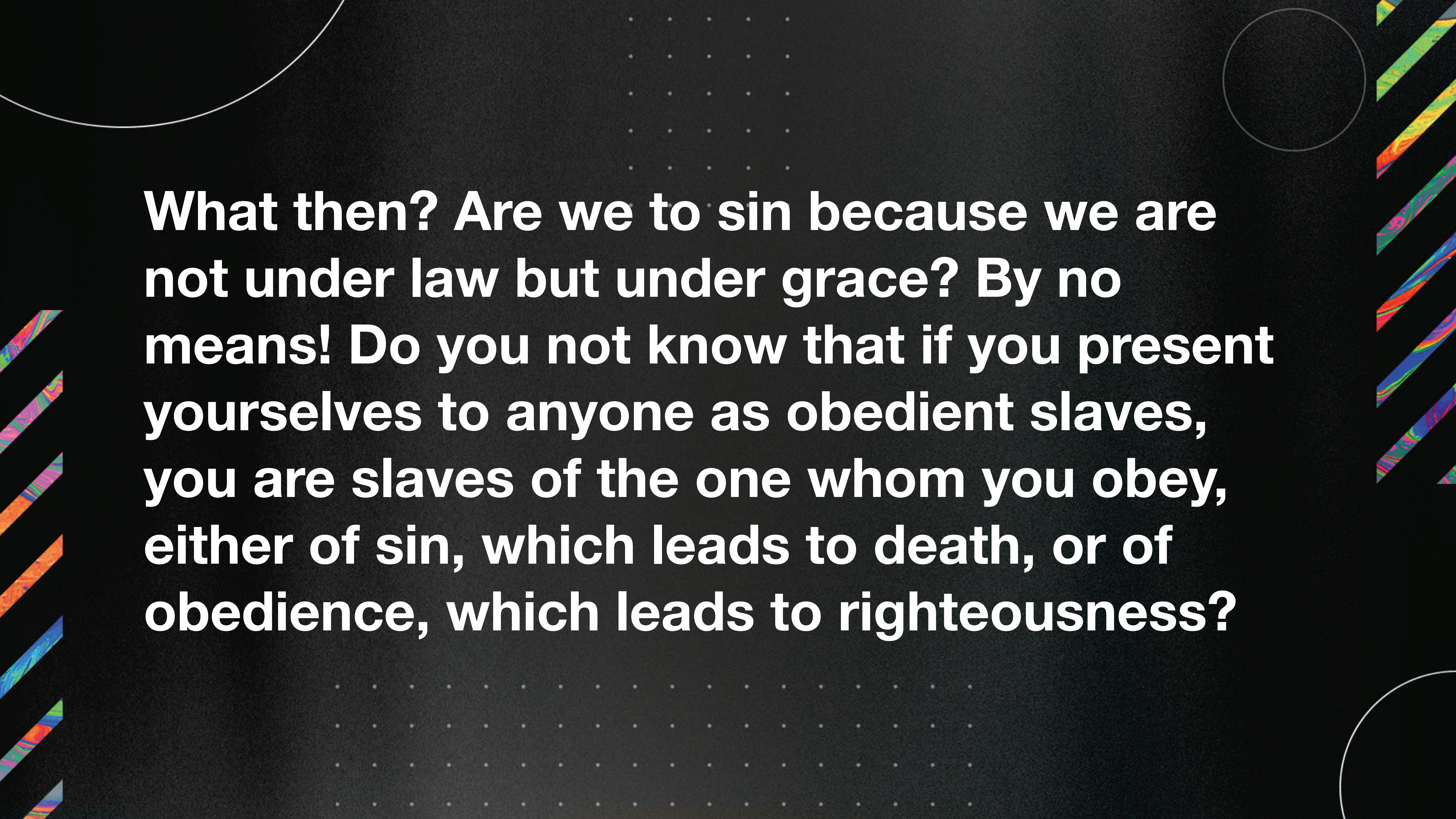
**Redemption means to purchase out of sin and set free by the paying of a ransom price.**





***Martin Luther***  
*Theologian and Reformer*  
*(b. 1483 - d. 1546)*  
*(Rendering)*





**What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness?**



**But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the teaching to which you were committed, and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness.**

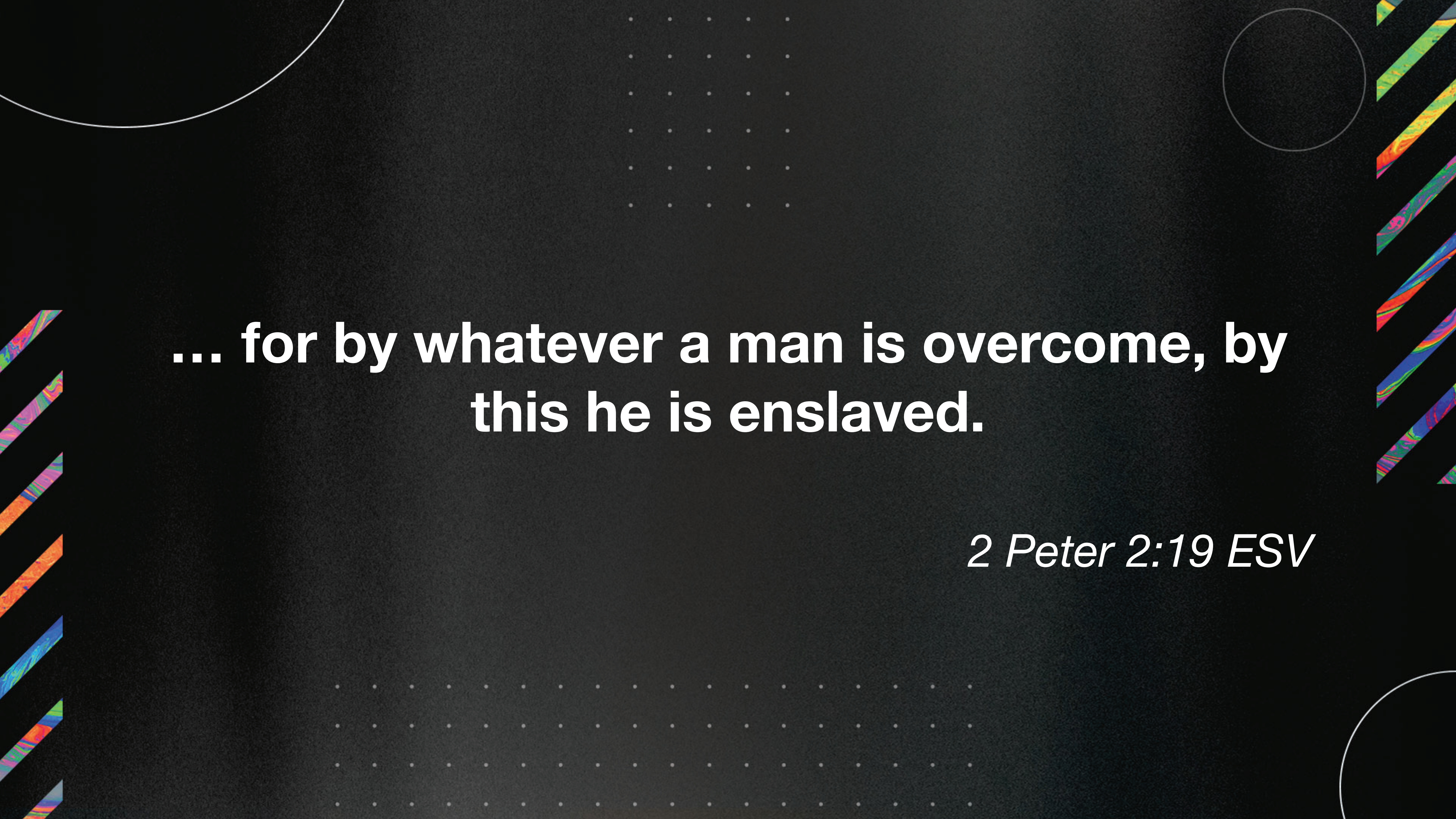
*Romans 6:15-18 ESV*



**Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who habitually commmits sin is a slave to sin.**

*John 8:34 ESV*

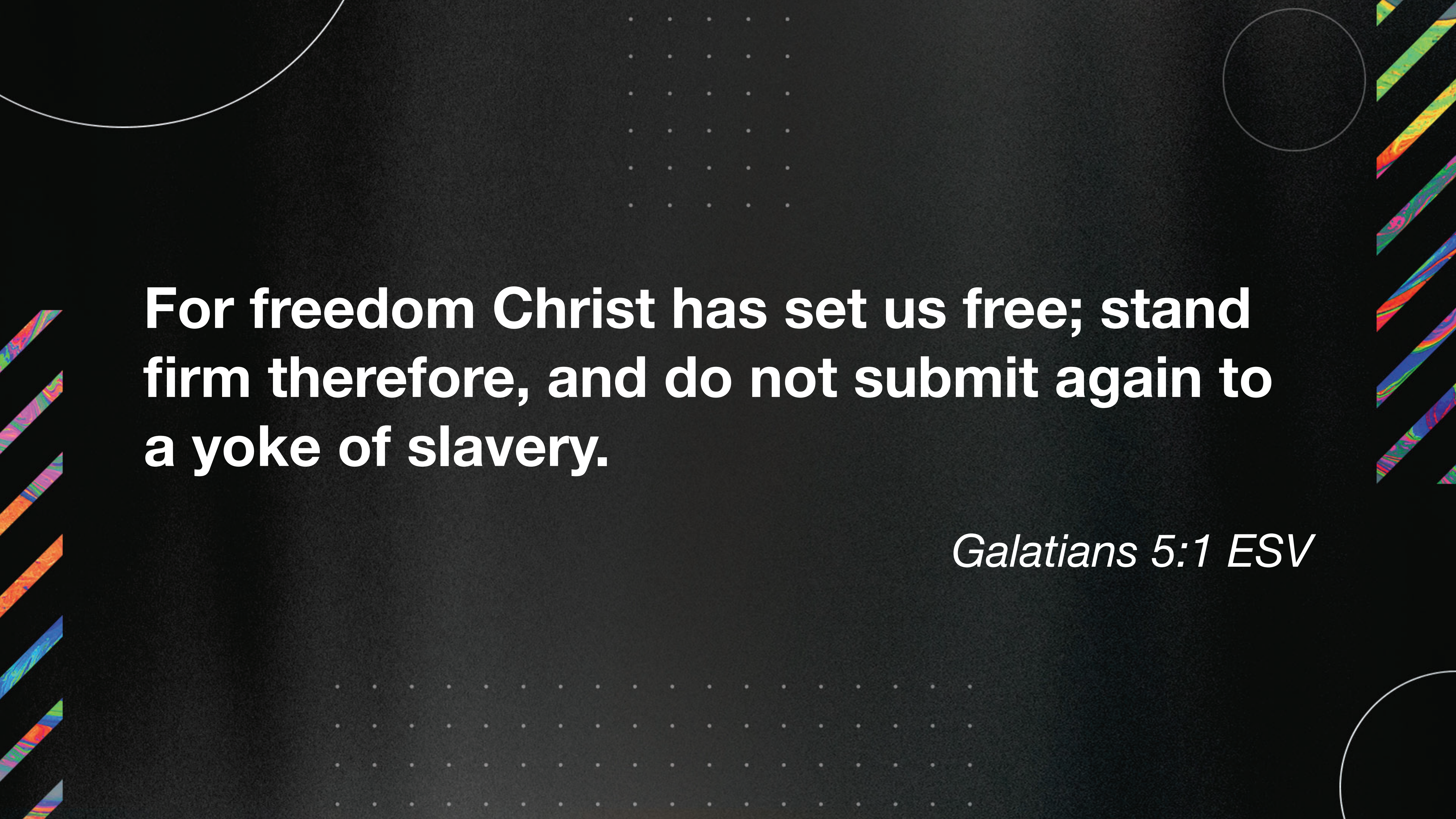




**... for by whatever a man is overcome, by  
this he is enslaved.**

*2 Peter 2:19 ESV*





**For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.**

*Galatians 5:1 ESV*





**The greatest slavery in the world is  
freedom to sin.**

**The greatest freedom in the world is  
slavery to Jesus Christ.**



**1) A reminder that because of your **fallenness** there is nothing you can do to save yourself.**

**None is righteous, no, not one; no one understands; no one seeks for God. All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one.... For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.**

*Romans 3:10b-12; 3:23 ESV*



**2) God, in Christ, has done it all – secured your salvation because of the **atoning** work of Christ.**

**...and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith.**



**2) God, in Christ, has done it all – secured your salvation because of the **atoning** work of Christ.**

**This was to show God's righteousness, because in his forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.**

*Romans 3:24-26 ESV*





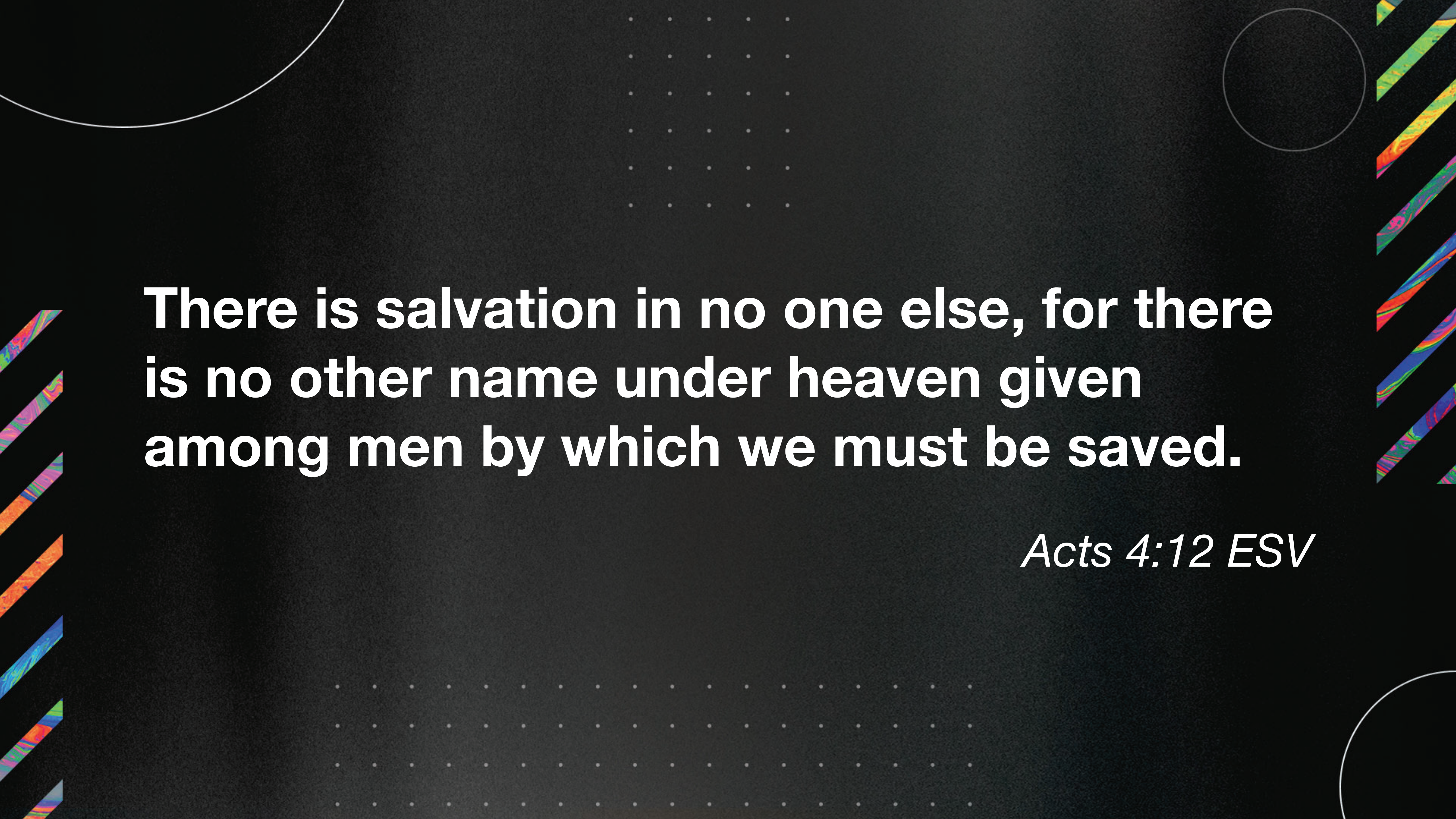
***Paul Harvey***

*radio broadcaster*

*(b. 1918 - d. 2009)*

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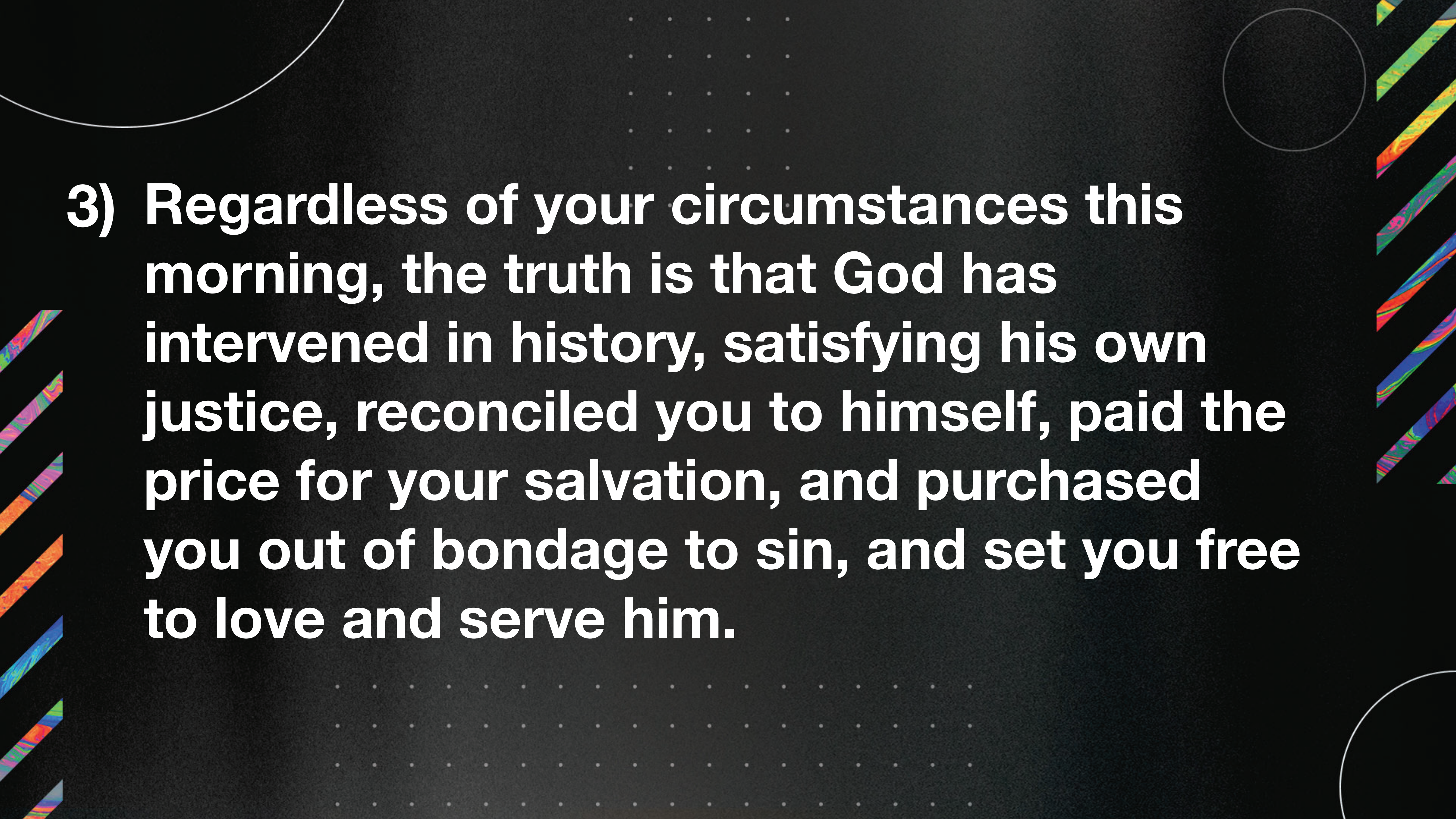




**There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.**

*Acts 4:12 ESV*





**3) Regardless of your circumstances this morning, the truth is that God has intervened in history, satisfying his own justice, reconciled you to himself, paid the price for your salvation, and purchased you out of bondage to sin, and set you free to love and serve him.**





P. P. Bliss.

***Paul Philip Bliss***

*American composer, conductor, writer of hymns, bass-baritone Gospel singer.  
(b. 1838 - d. 1876)*

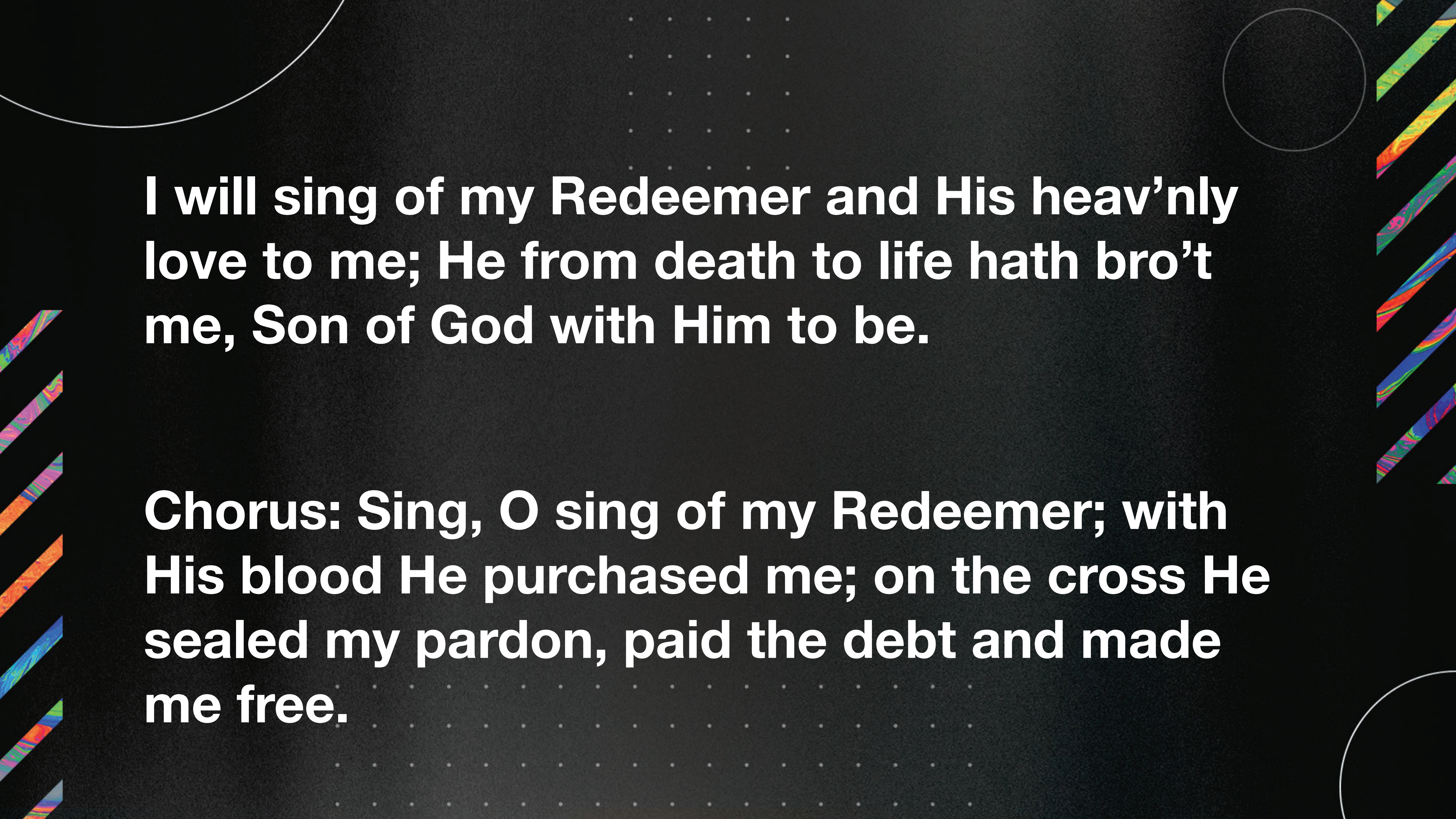


**I will sing of my Redeemer and His wondrous  
love to me; on the cruel cross He suffered,  
from the curse to set me free.**

**I will tell the wondrous story, how, my lost  
estate to save, in His boundless love and  
mercy, He the ransom freely gave.**

**I will praise my dear Redeemer, His  
triumphant pow'r I'll tell, how the victory He  
giveth over sin and death and hell.**





**I will sing of my Redeemer and His heav'nly  
love to me; He from death to life hath bro't  
me, Son of God with Him to be.**

**Chorus: Sing, O sing of my Redeemer; with  
His blood He purchased me; on the cross He  
sealed my pardon, paid the debt and made  
me free.**