

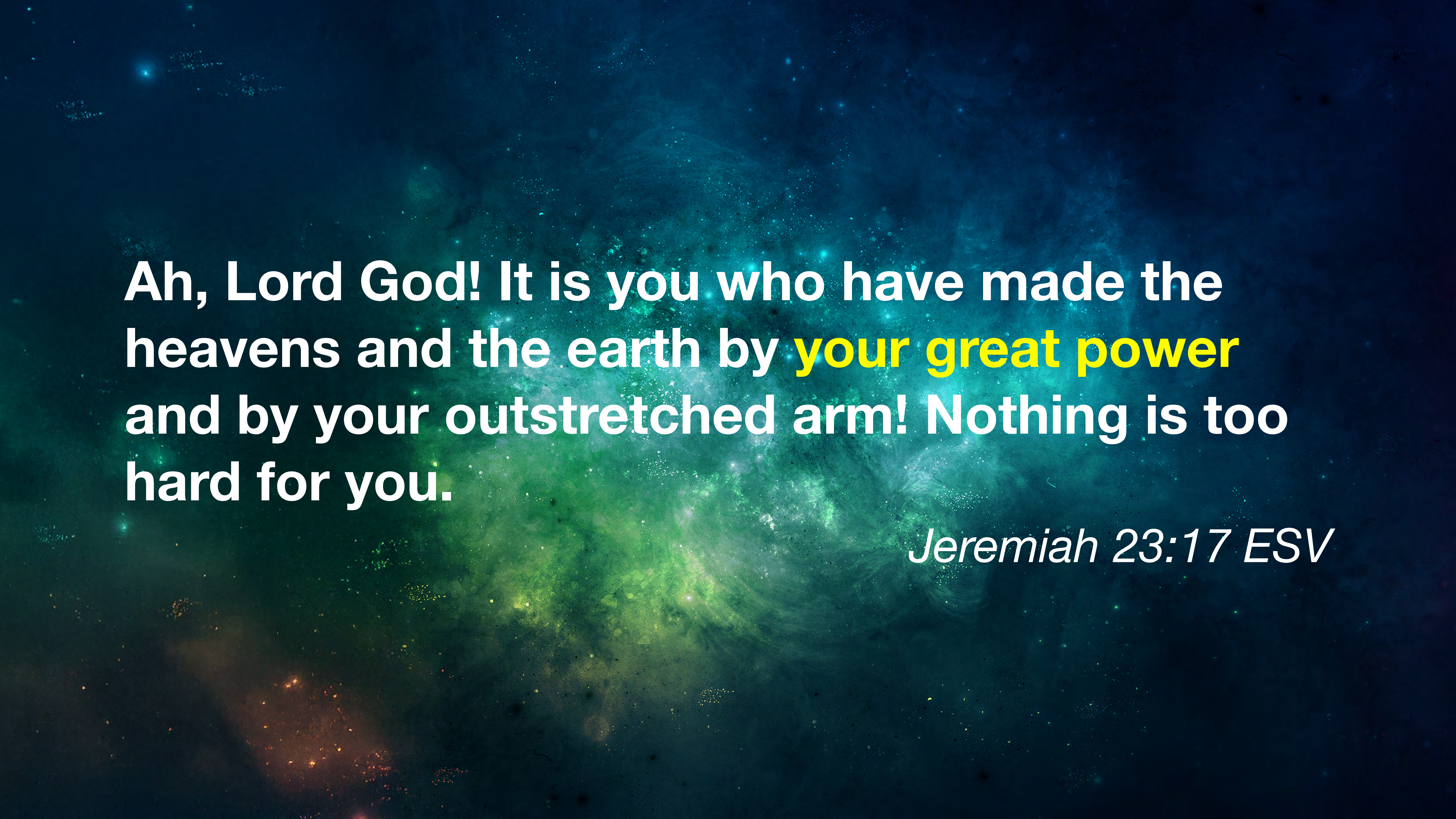


The **Attributes of God**

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Week 6: Jeremiah 23:17 - The Omnipotence of God

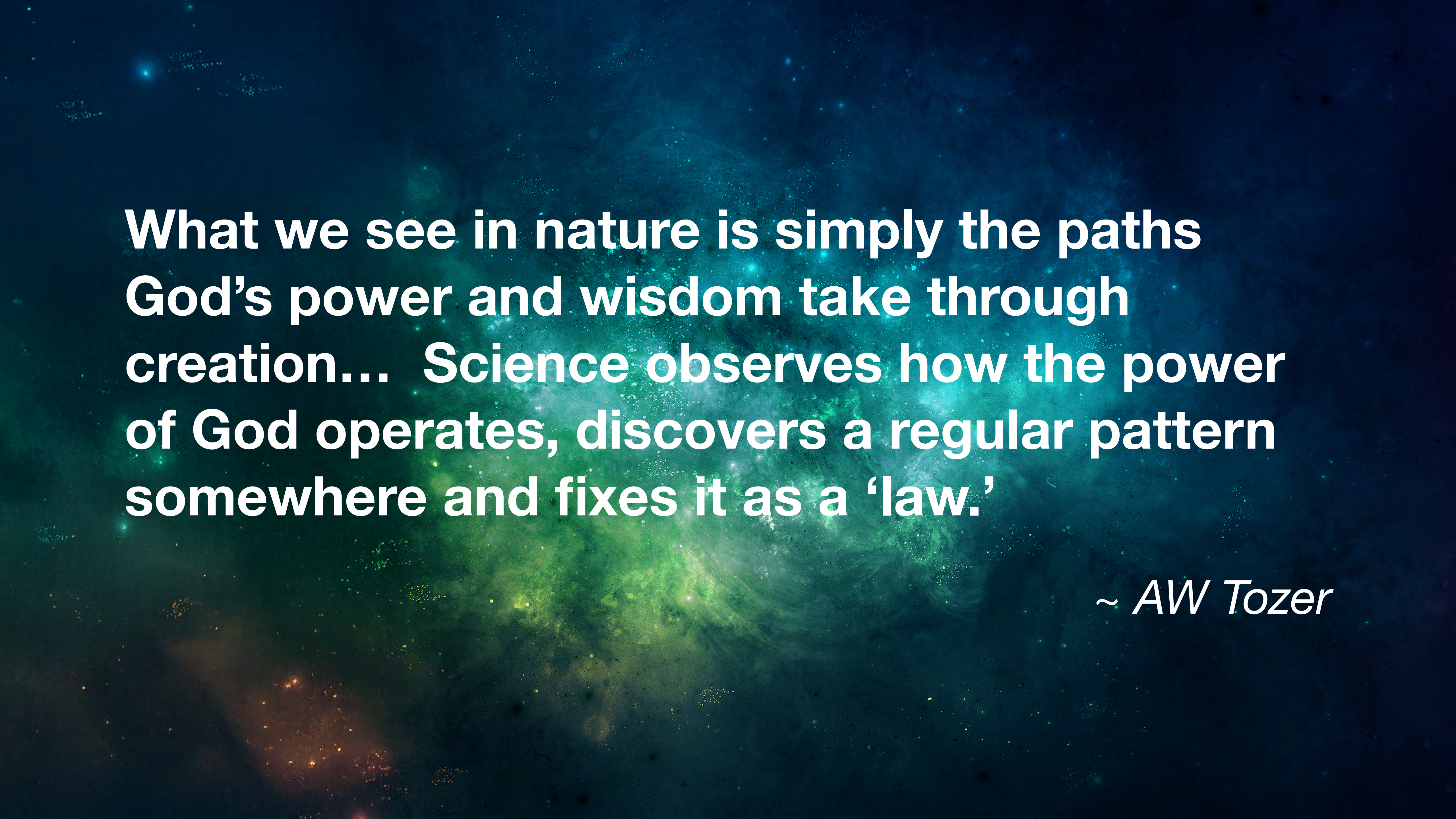
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Jeremiah 23:17 ESV

One cannot long read the Scriptures sympathetically without noticing the radical disparity between the outlook of the men of the Bible and that of modern men. We are today suffering from a secularized mentality... God ruled their world; ours is ruled by the laws of nature and we are always once removed from the presence of God.



**What we see in nature is simply the paths
God's power and wisdom take through
creation... Science observes how the power
of God operates, discovers a regular pattern
somewhere and fixes it as a 'law.'**

~ AW Tozer



**To reign, God must have power, and to reign
sovereignly, He must have all power. And that
is what omnipotence means, having all power.**

~ AW Tozer

The background of the image is a deep space scene featuring a vibrant green nebula or galaxy core in the center, surrounded by dark blue and black cosmic dust and distant stars. The text is overlaid on this background.

Sovereignty: The right to rule

Omnipotence: The Power to Act

Providence: The specific way God exercises that power & right.

1. God's Omnipotence Revealed IN Creation

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. And God said, “**Let there be light,**” and there was light.

Genesis 1:1-3 ESV

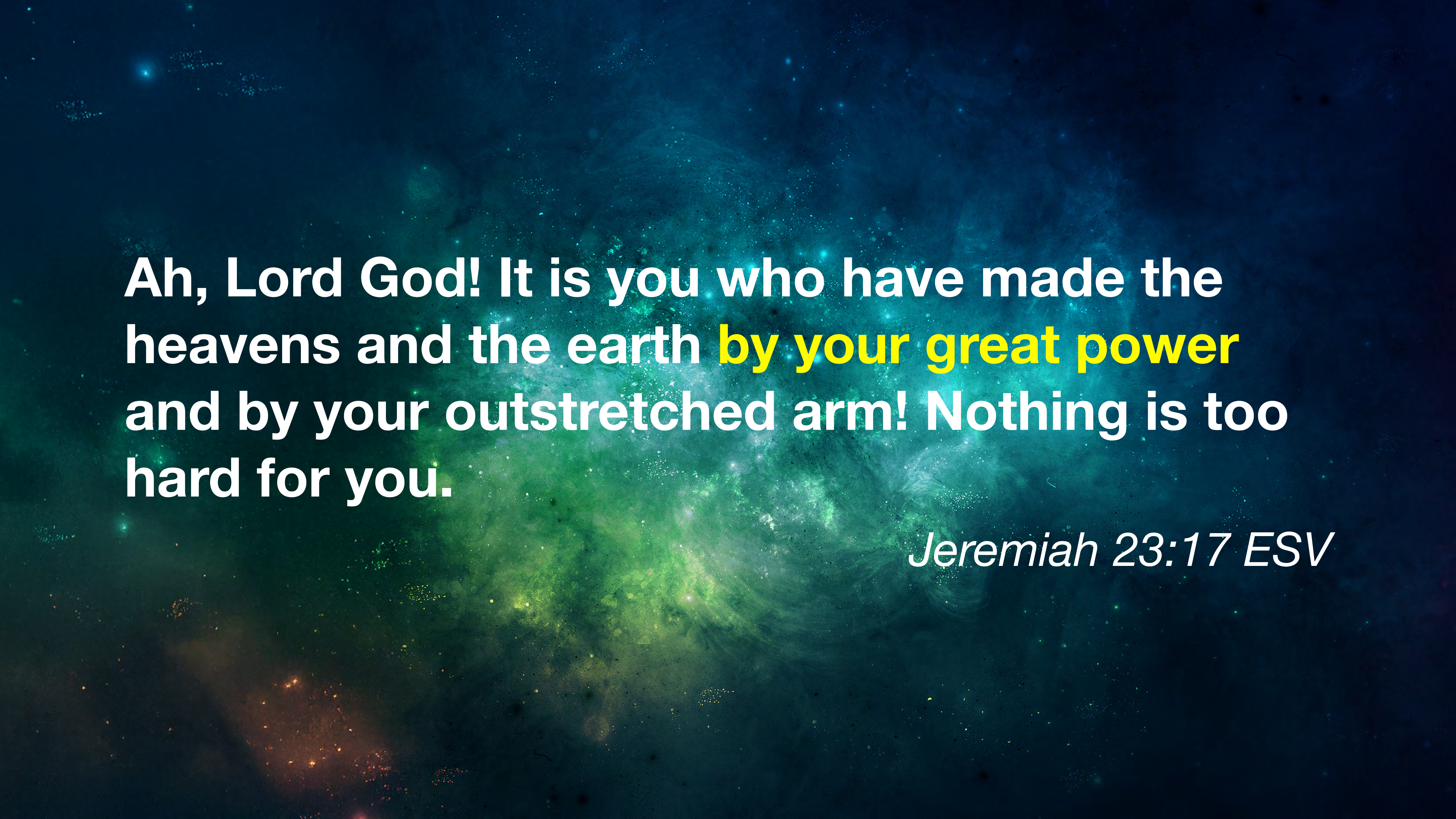


Hyh – to have an existence,
come to pass.

A cosmic background featuring a vibrant green nebula with intricate filamentary structures, set against a deep blue and black space filled with distant stars and smaller celestial bodies. The nebula's colors range from bright green to dark teal, with some areas appearing more ethereal and gaseous.

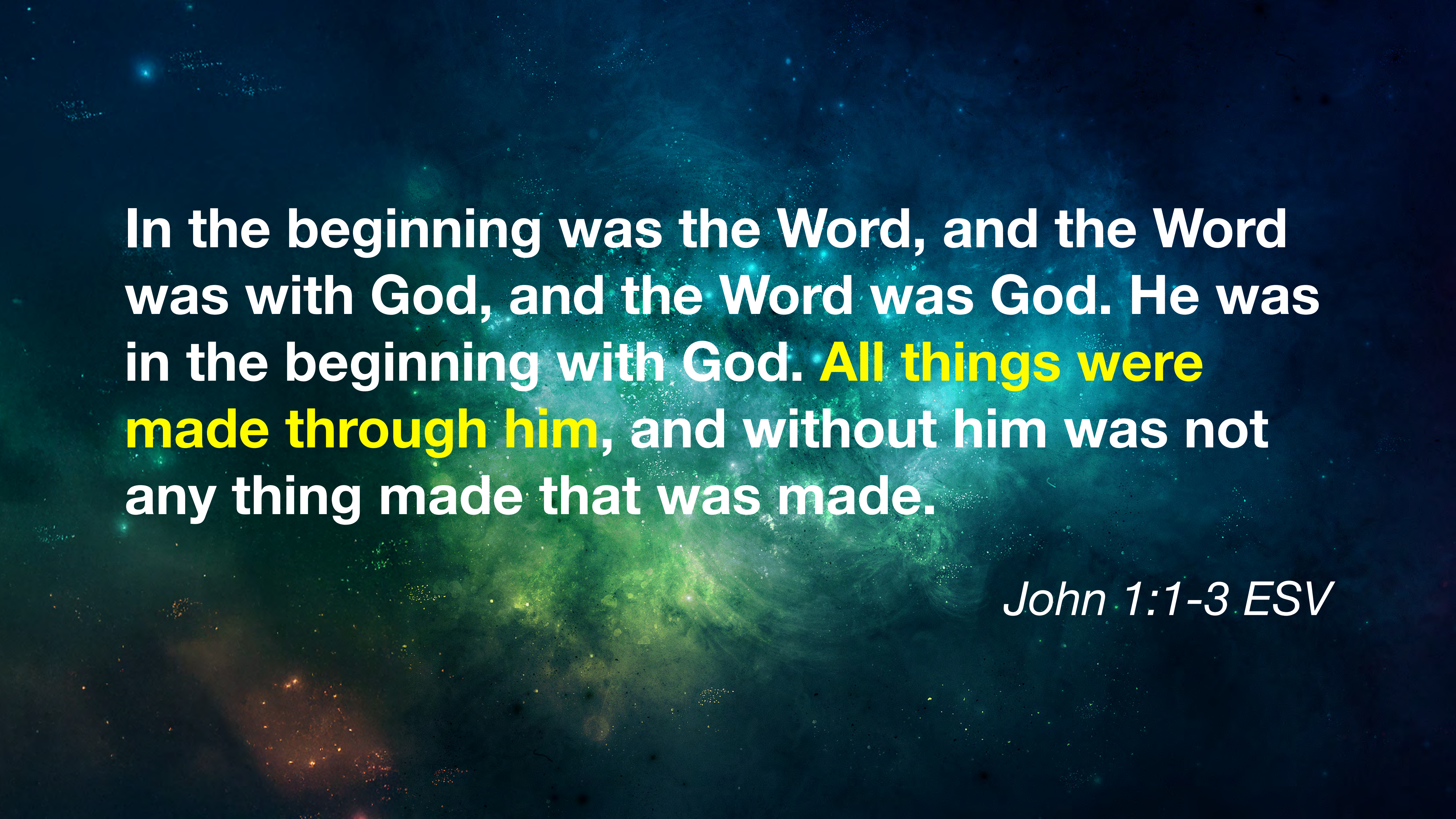
By **the word** of the Lord the **heavens were made**, and by the breath of his mouth all their host.

Psalm 33:6 ESV



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The background of the image is a deep space scene. It features a prominent green nebula or galaxy core in the center, with swirling patterns of green and blue light. Scattered throughout the dark blue background are numerous small, bright stars and distant galaxies, some appearing as faint, glowing clouds. The overall effect is one of vastness and cosmic wonder.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. **All things were made through him**, and without him was not any thing made that was made.

John 1:1-3 ESV

2. God's Omnipotence Revealed OVER Creation

And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. But he was in the stern, **asleep on the cushion**. And they woke him and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?"

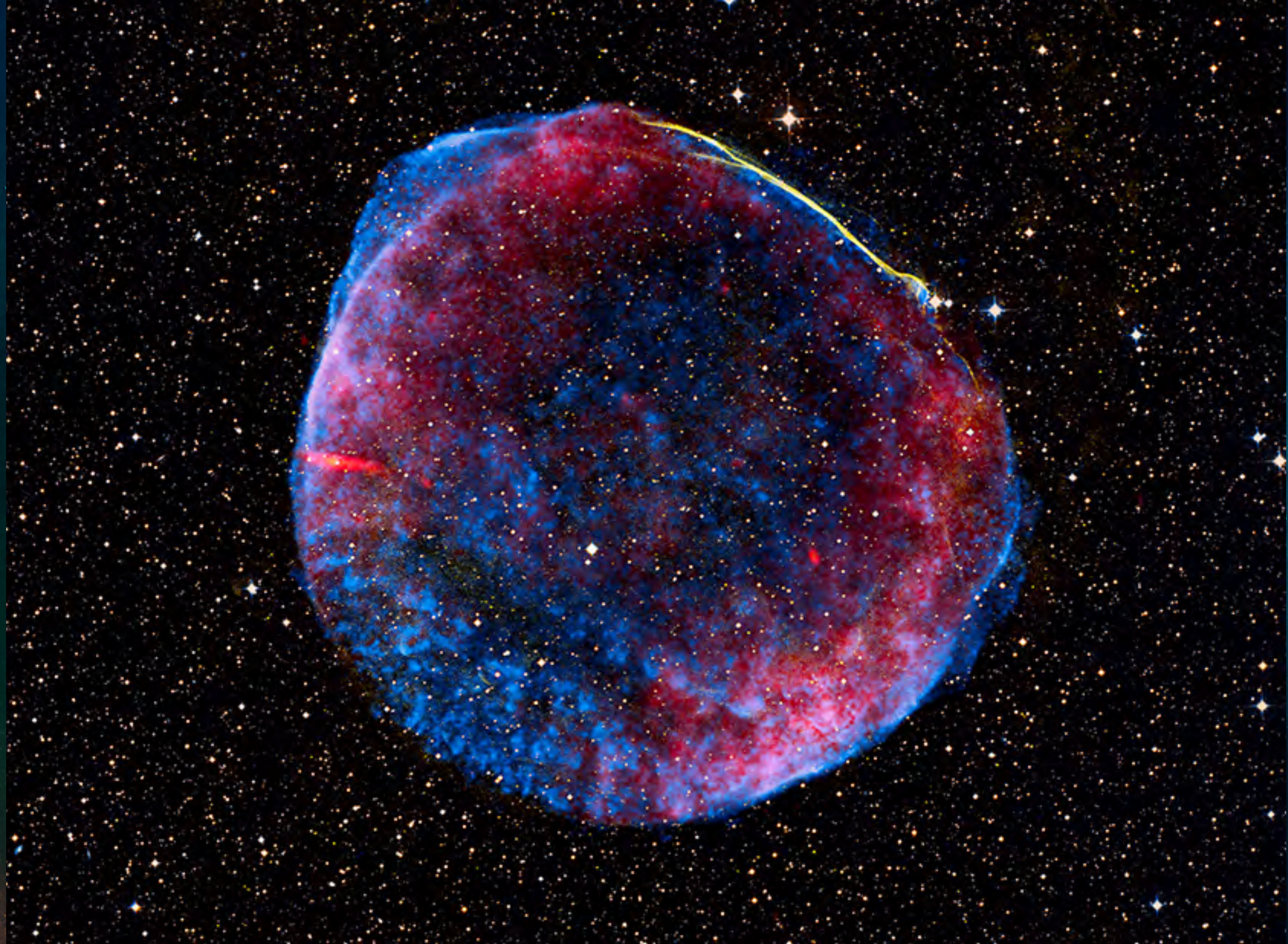
And he awoke and **rebuked the wind** and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was **a great calm**. He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, "**Who then is this**, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

Mark 4:37-41 ESV



**Our lives are shaped and directed
by what has us in awe.**

~ Paul Tripp



3. God's Omnipotence Revealed in Power over Death

Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been **dead four days**." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?"

So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, **that they may believe that you sent me.**” When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out.”

John 11:38-43 ESV

4. God's Omnipotence is not Compromised by Creation's Apparent Randomness

Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were **worse offenders than all the others** who lived in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.”

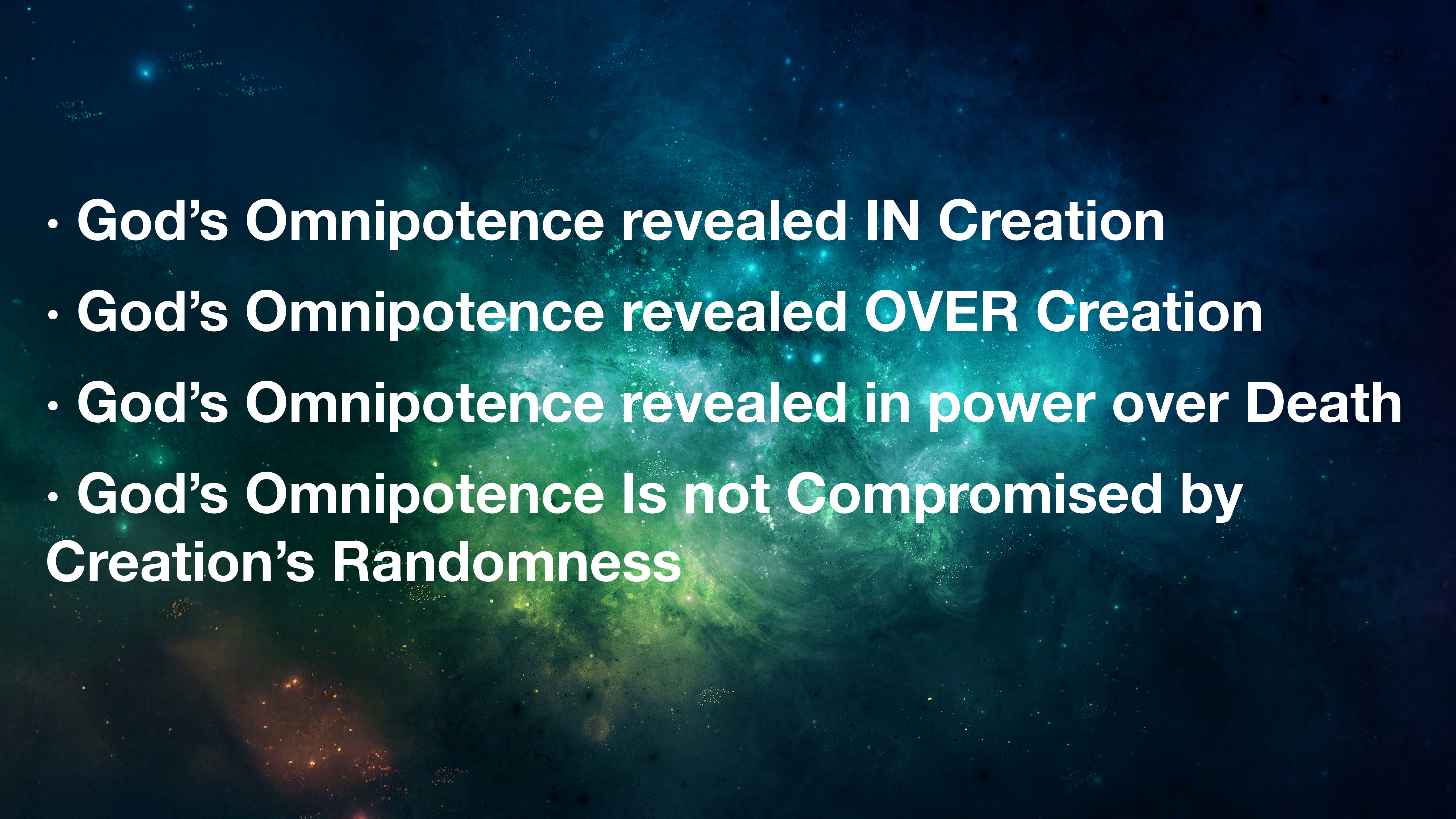
Luke 13:4-5 ESV

RANDOMNESS HAPPENS FOR A **REASON**

WHAT THE ARBITRARY EXPERIENCES OF LIFE
REVEAL ABOUT THE HEART OF GOD



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- **God's Omnipotence revealed IN Creation**
 - **God's Omnipotence revealed OVER Creation**
 - **God's Omnipotence revealed in power over Death**
 - **God's Omnipotence Is not Compromised by Creation's Randomness**

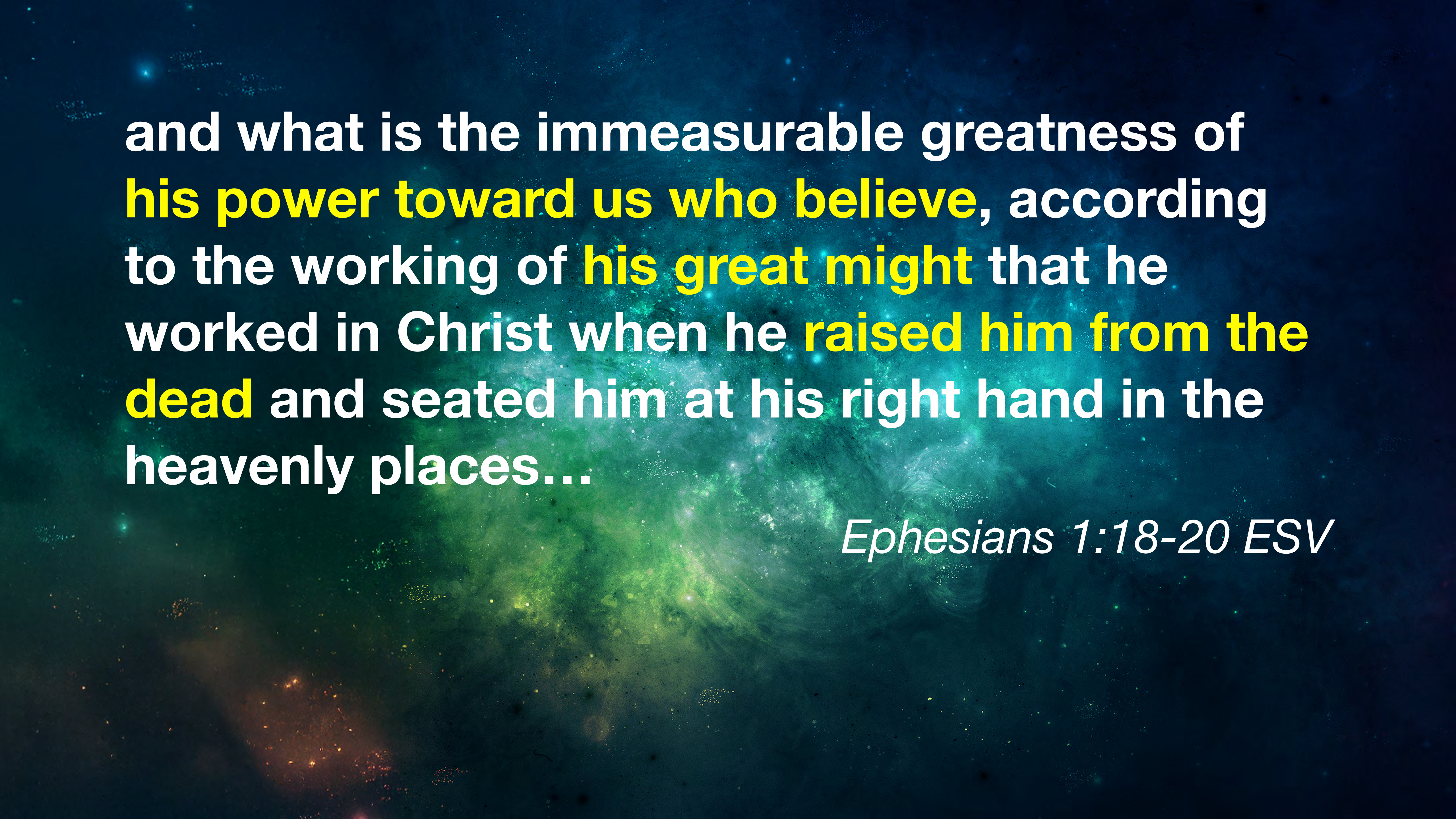
1. God's Obvious Omnipotence in the World

For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, **have been clearly perceived**, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse.

Romans 1:19-20 ESV

2. God's Omnipotence is Directed Toward My Life

**...having the eyes of your hearts enlightened,
that you may know what is the hope to which
he has called you, what are the riches of his
glorious inheritance in the saints,**



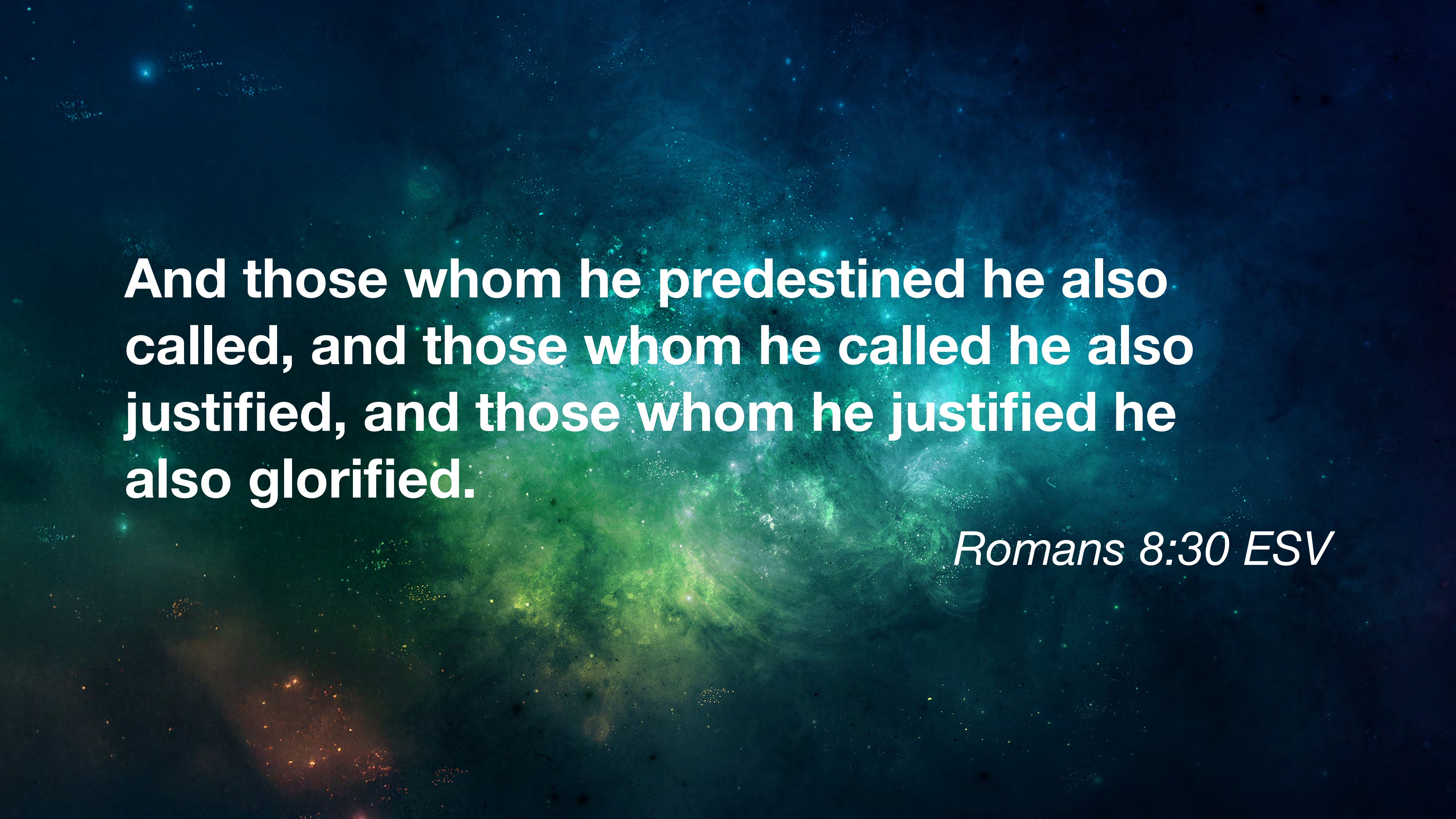
and what is the immeasurable greatness of **his power toward us who believe**, according to the working of **his great might** that he worked in Christ when he **raised him from the dead** and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places...

Ephesians 1:18-20 ESV



In Him all things hold together.

Colossians 1:17 ESV



**And those whom he predestined he also
called, and those whom he called he also
justified, and those whom he justified he
also glorified.**

Romans 8:30 ESV



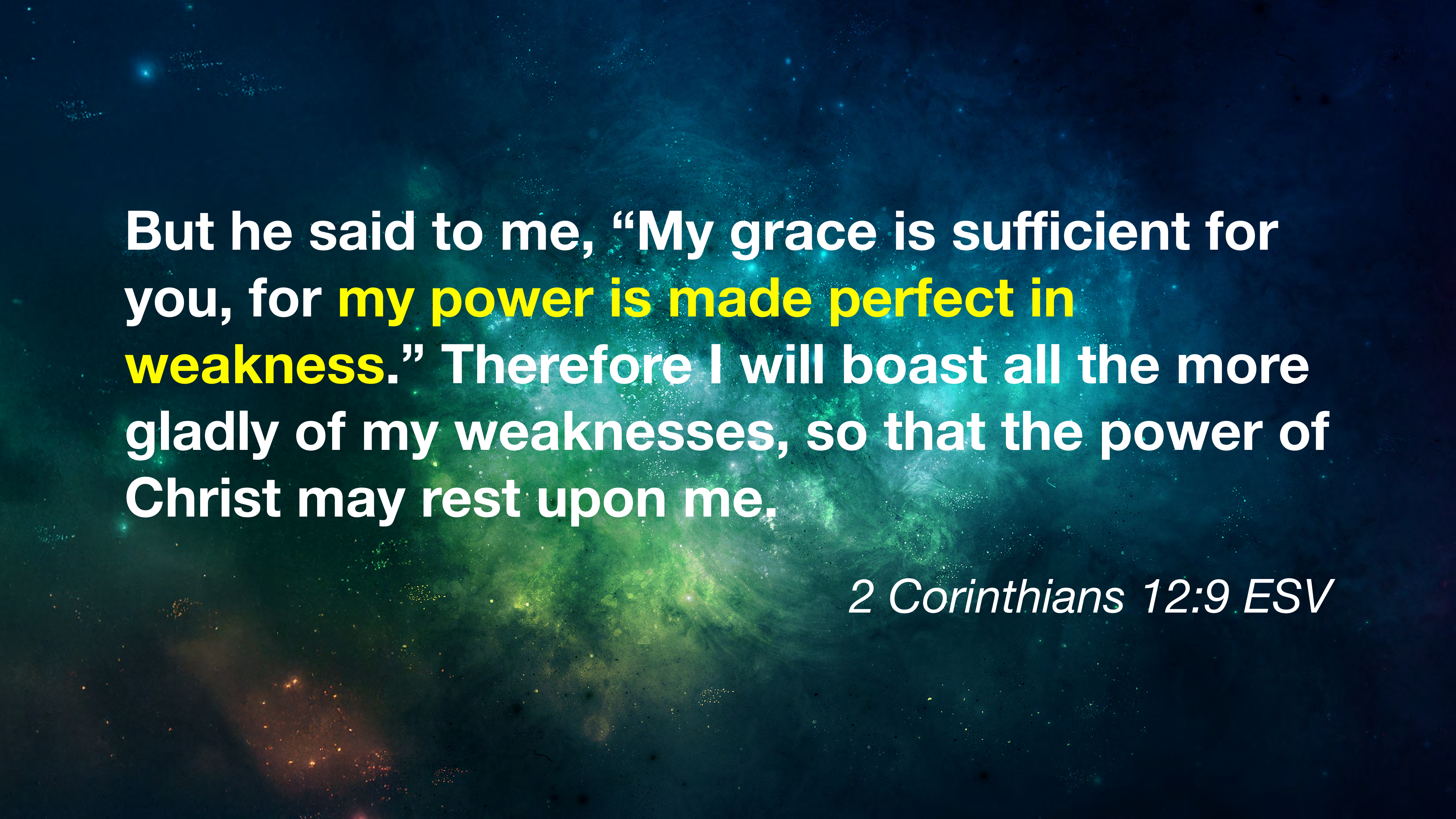
For I know whom I have believed and I am convinced that **He is able to guard** what I have entrusted to Him **until that day.**

2 Timothy 1:12 NASB

3. A Proper Perspective on God's Power and Mind

Now to him who is able to do far more
abundantly than all that we ask or think,
according to **the power at work within us.**

Ephesians 3:20 ESV



But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for **my power is made perfect in weakness.**” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

2 Corinthians 12:9 ESV

Embrace:

- **God's Obvious Omnipotence in the World**
- **God's Omnipotence is Directed Toward My Life**
- **A Proper Perspective on God's Power and Mine**