

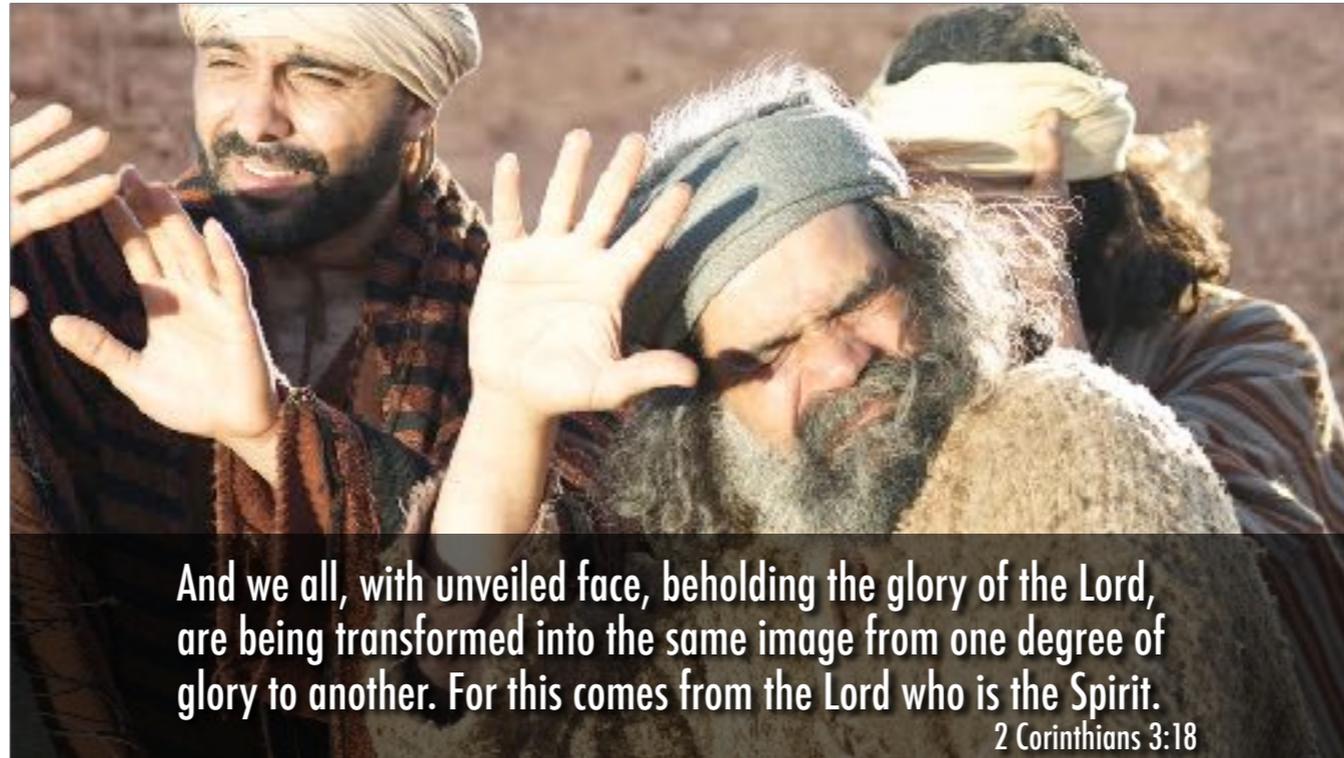


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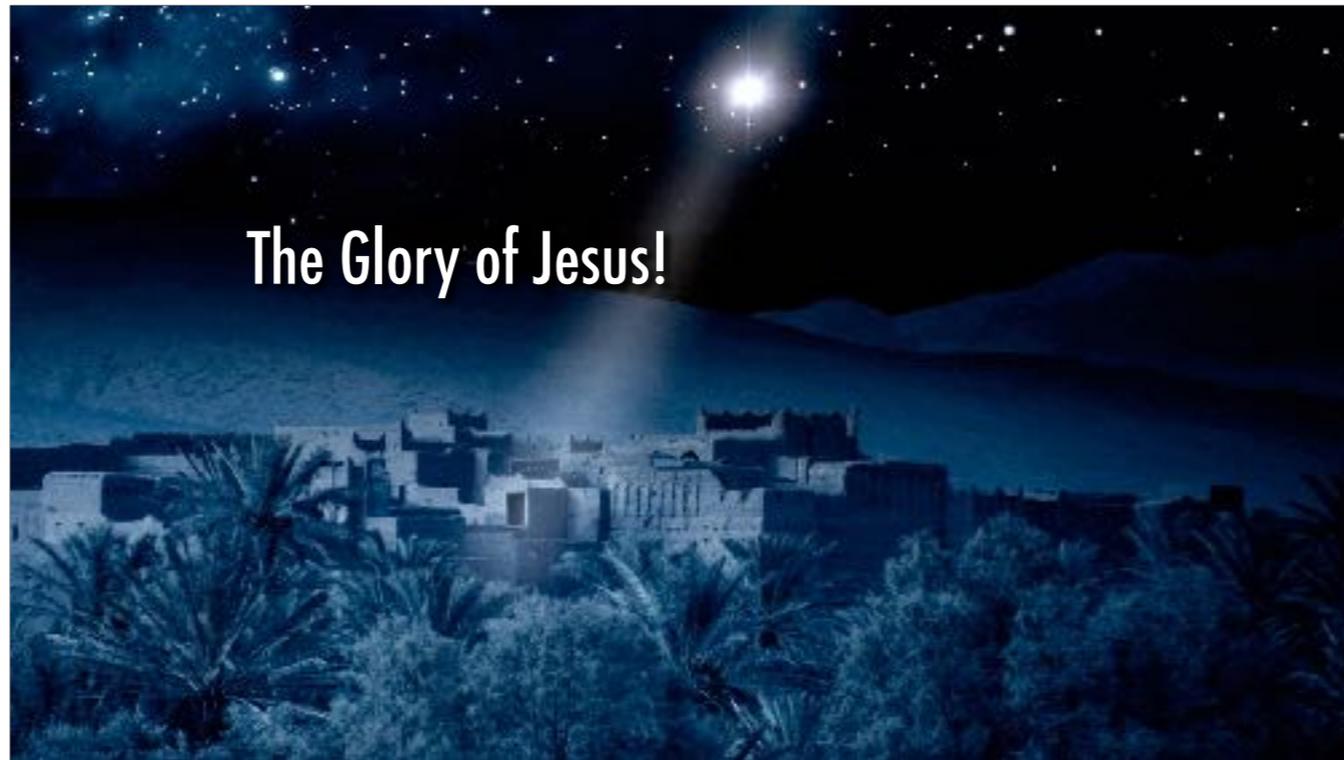
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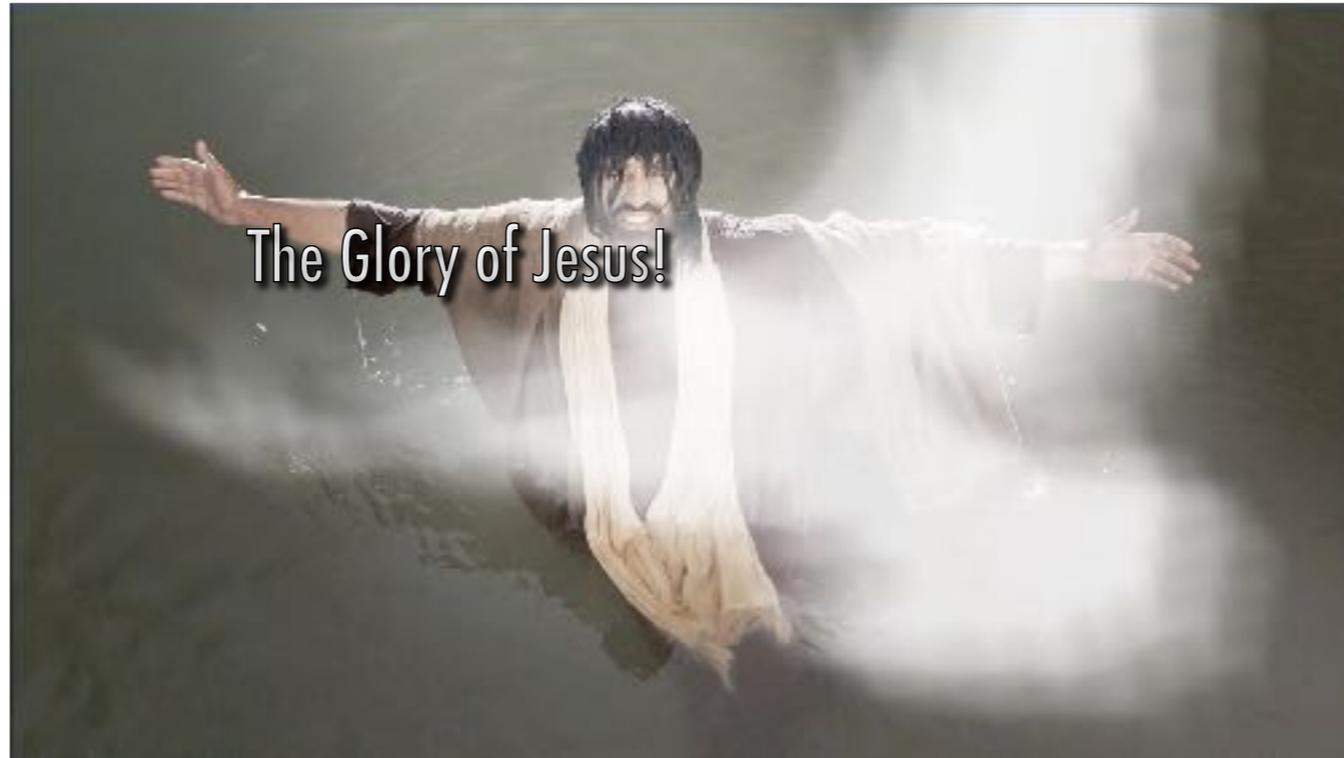
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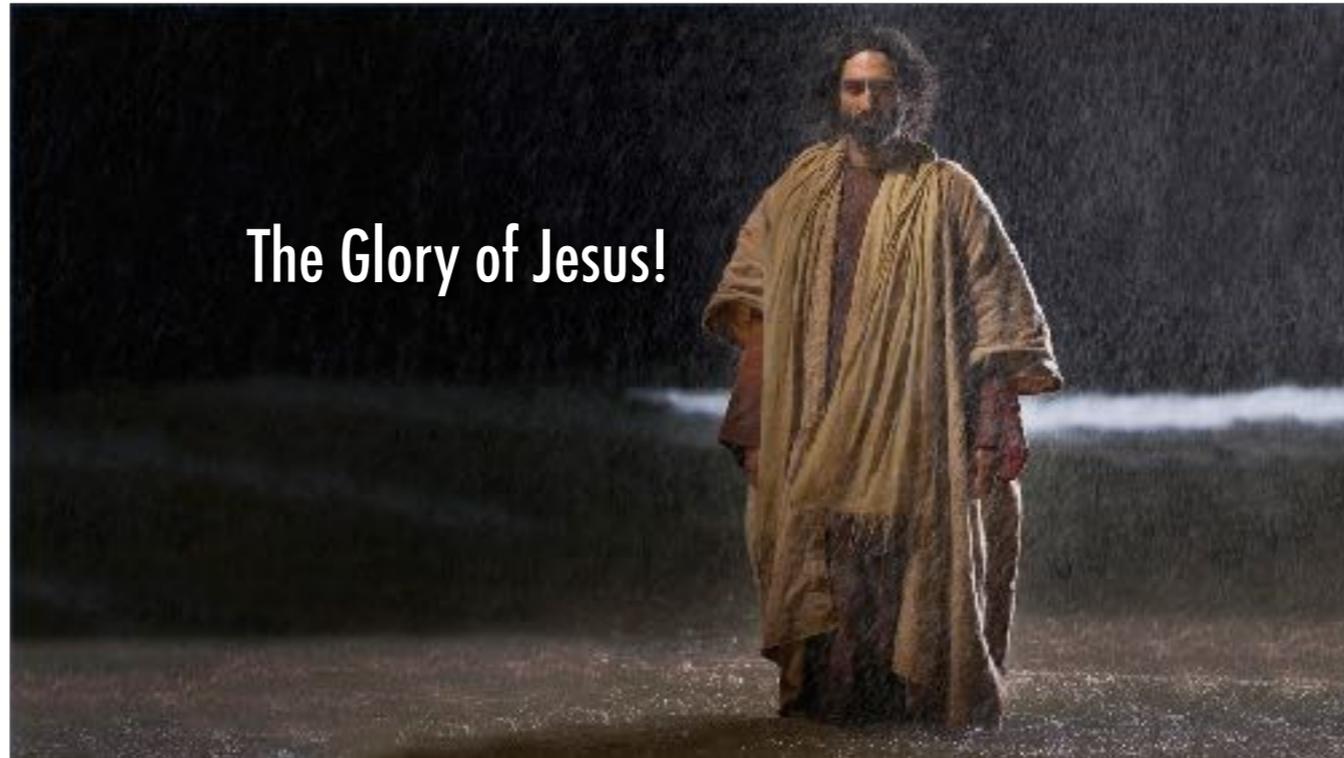
- 2 Corinthians 3:18 (ESV) And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.



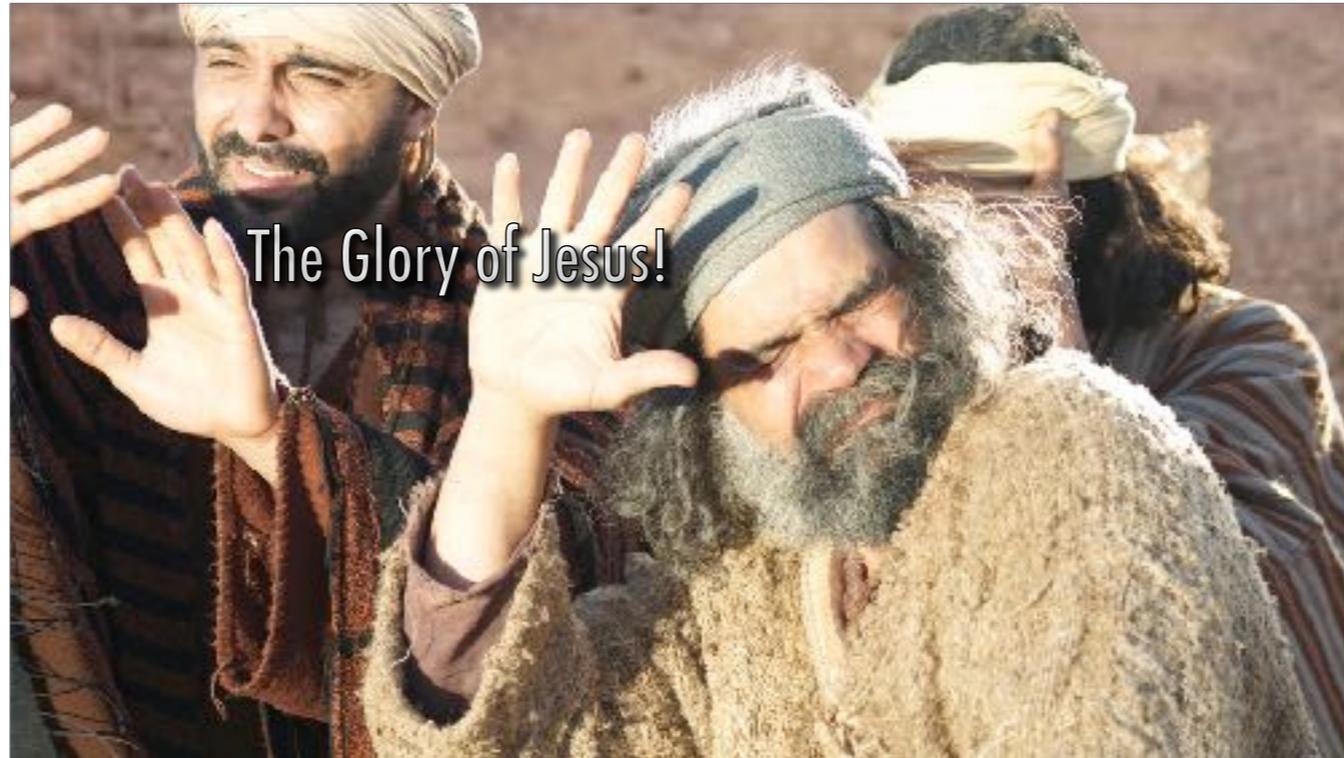
- How would you describe the glory of Jesus? When do you see it?
- Birth: angels, star



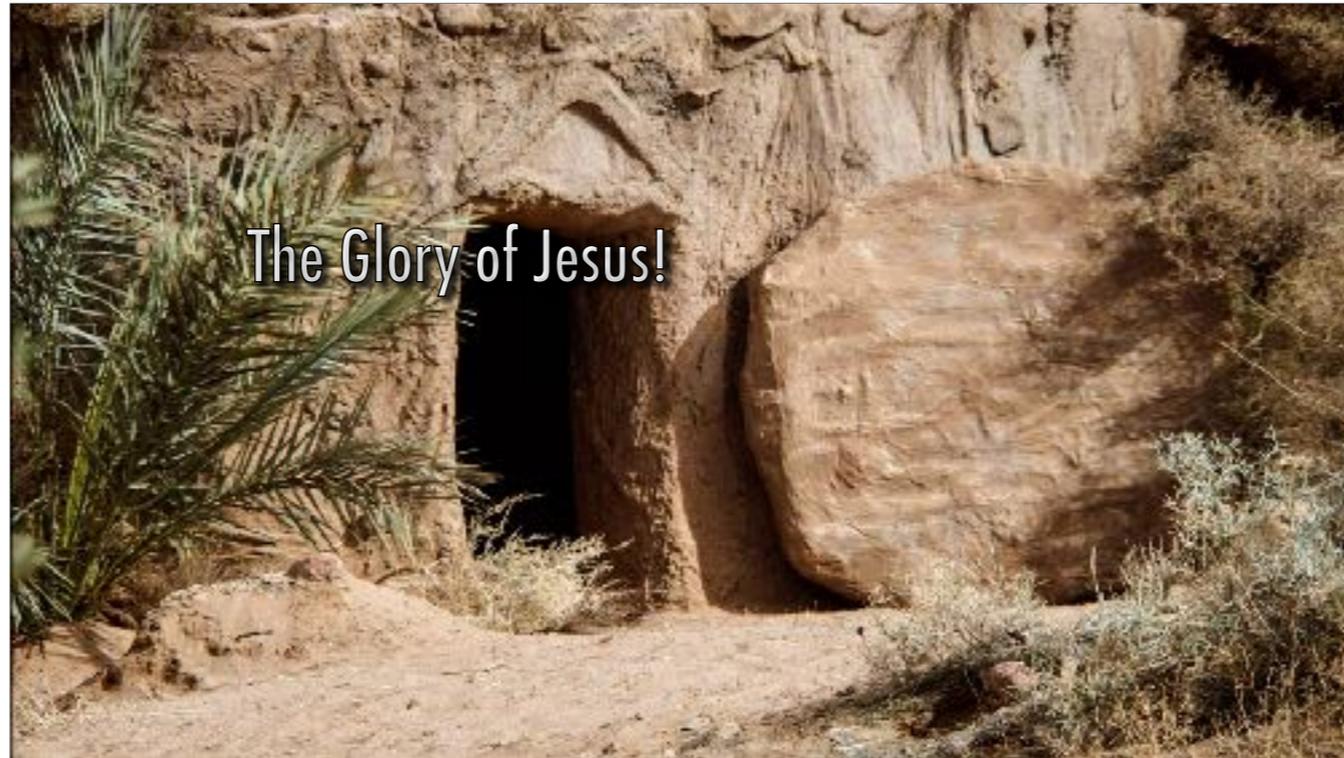
- Baptism of Jesus:
 - God speaking: this is my son
 - Holy Spirit descending
 - This is the Lamb of God



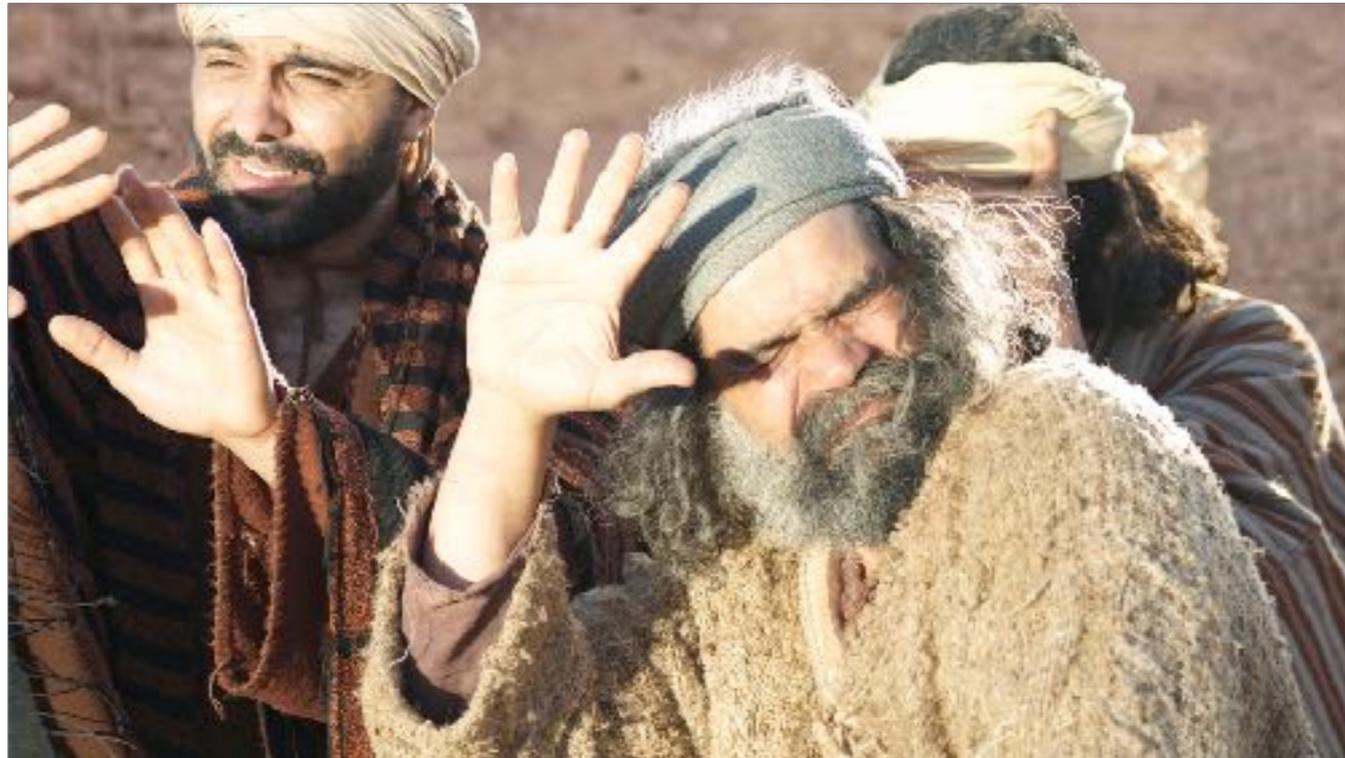
- Miracles
 - Walking on water
 - Feeding 5000
 - Blind See; lepers healed
 - Dead raised



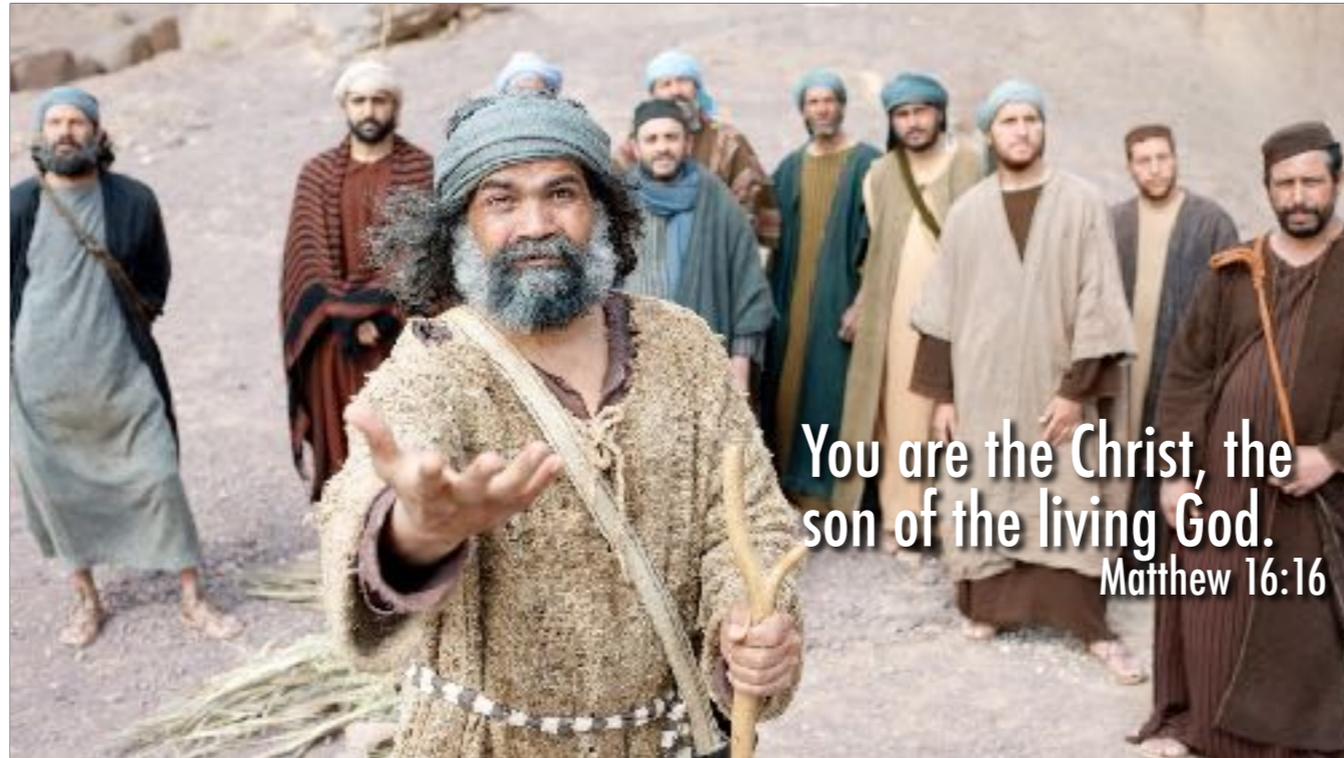
- Transfiguration
 - Moses and Elijah
 - Glory, bright



- Resurrection?

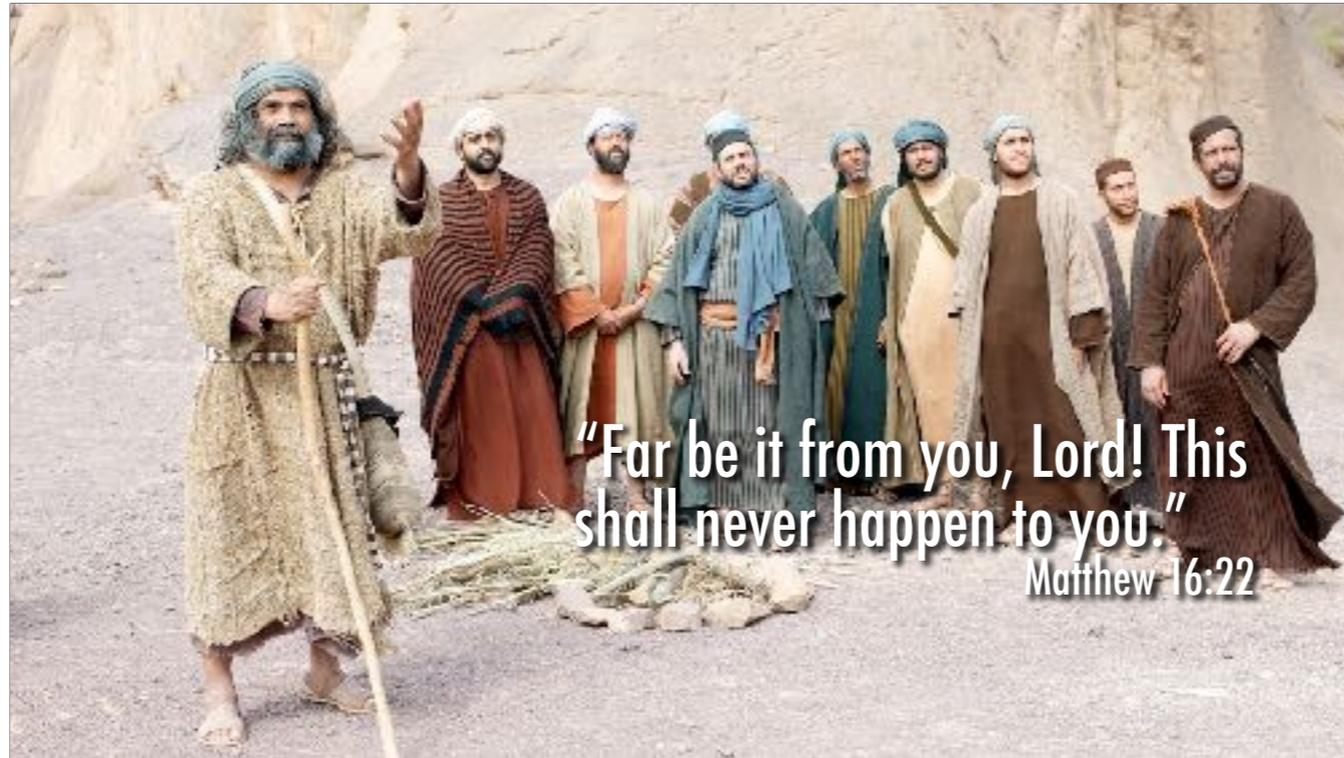


- Vital that we see the glory of Jesus in these things
 - creation and sustaining of the universe
 - Birth, miracles, resurrection
- How else can we see the glory of Jesus?
 - There's more to the glory of Jesus than just his deity
 - We can't emulate his deity
 - Can we be like Him?
 - How can we be like Him?



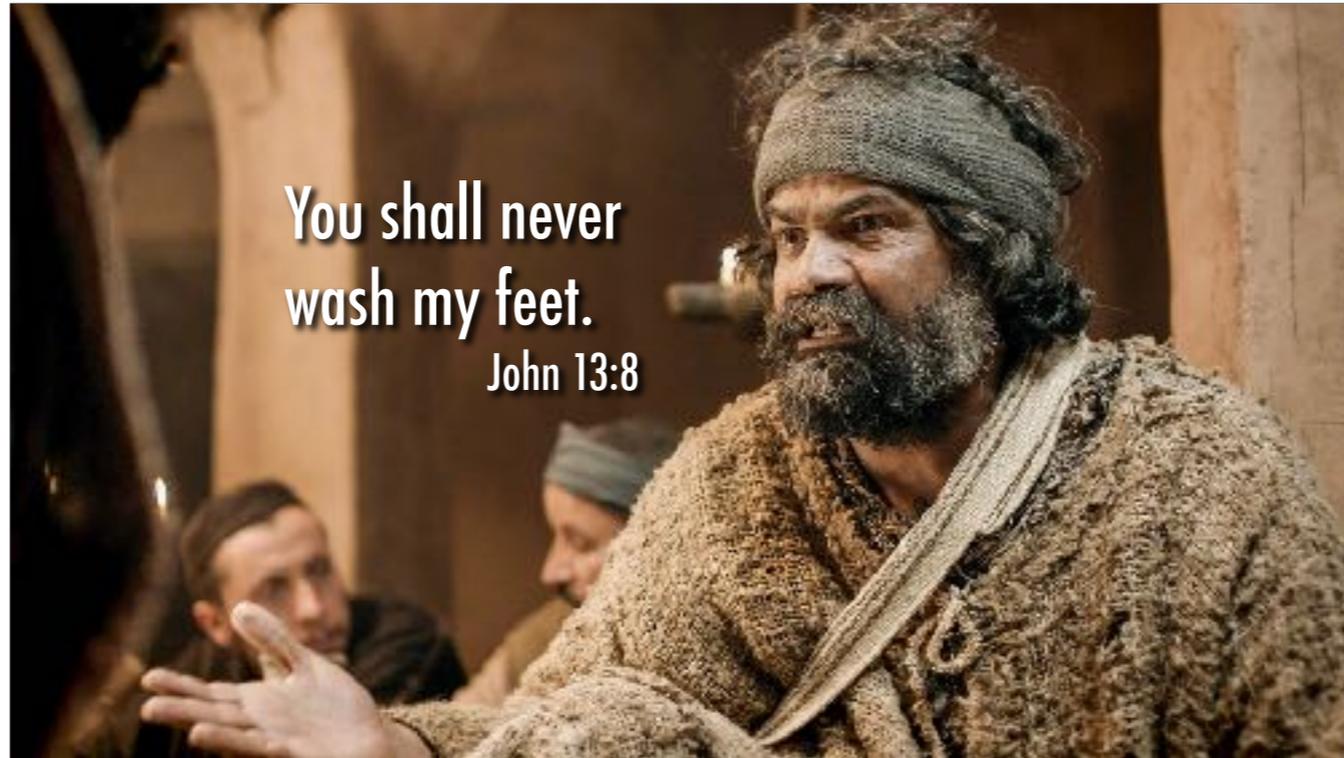
You are the Christ, the
son of the living God.
Matthew 16:16

- Peter's struggle
 - Jesus is the Christ!



- Rebukes Jesus

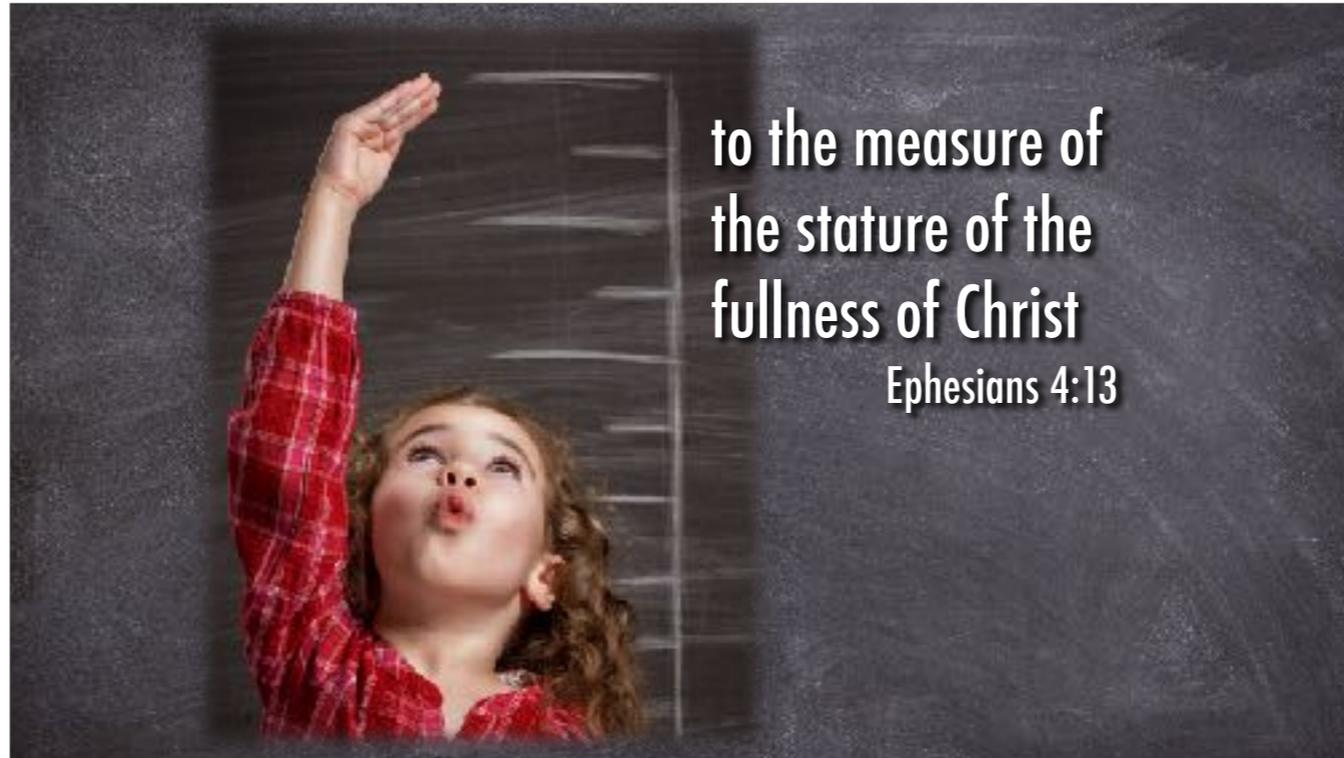
- Matthew 16:21-23 (ESV) 21 From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. 22 And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you." 23 But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. **For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.**"



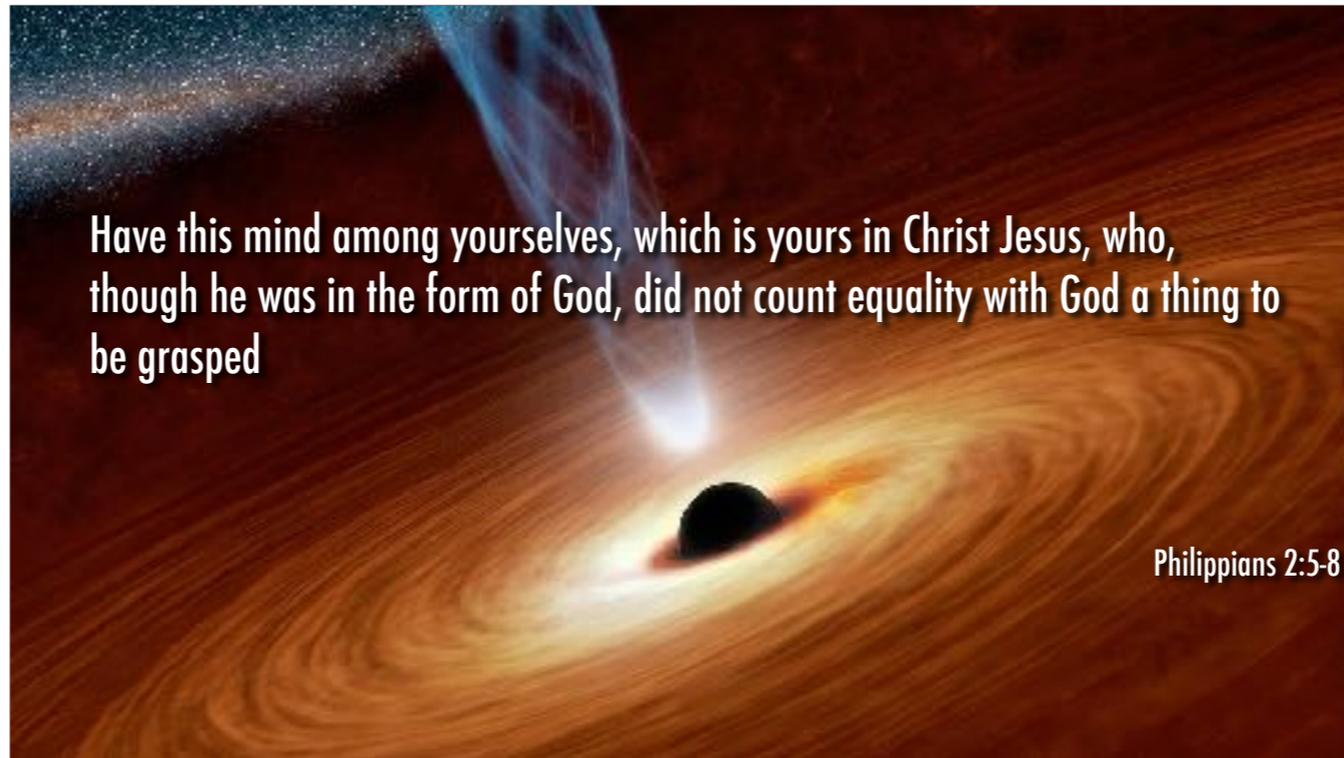
- John 13:6-8 (ESV) 6 He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" 7 Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand." 8 Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no share with me."



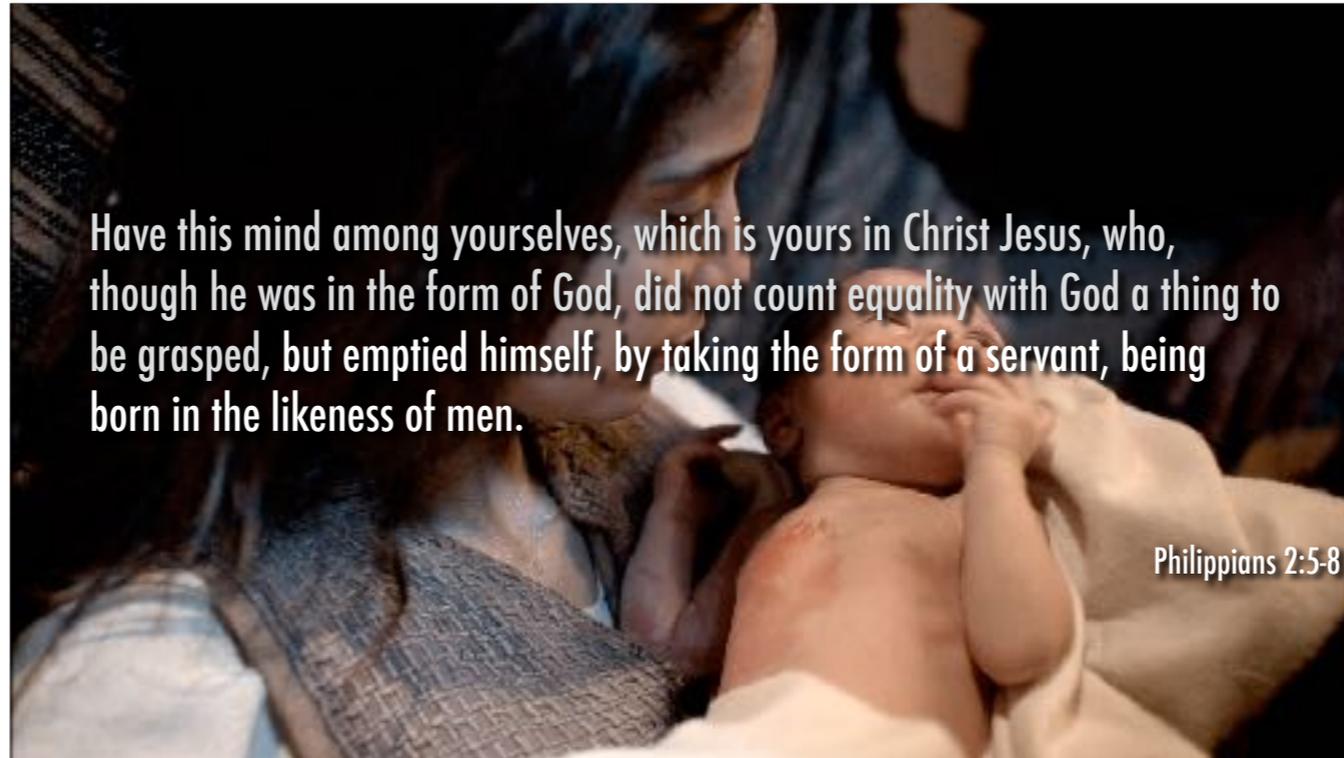
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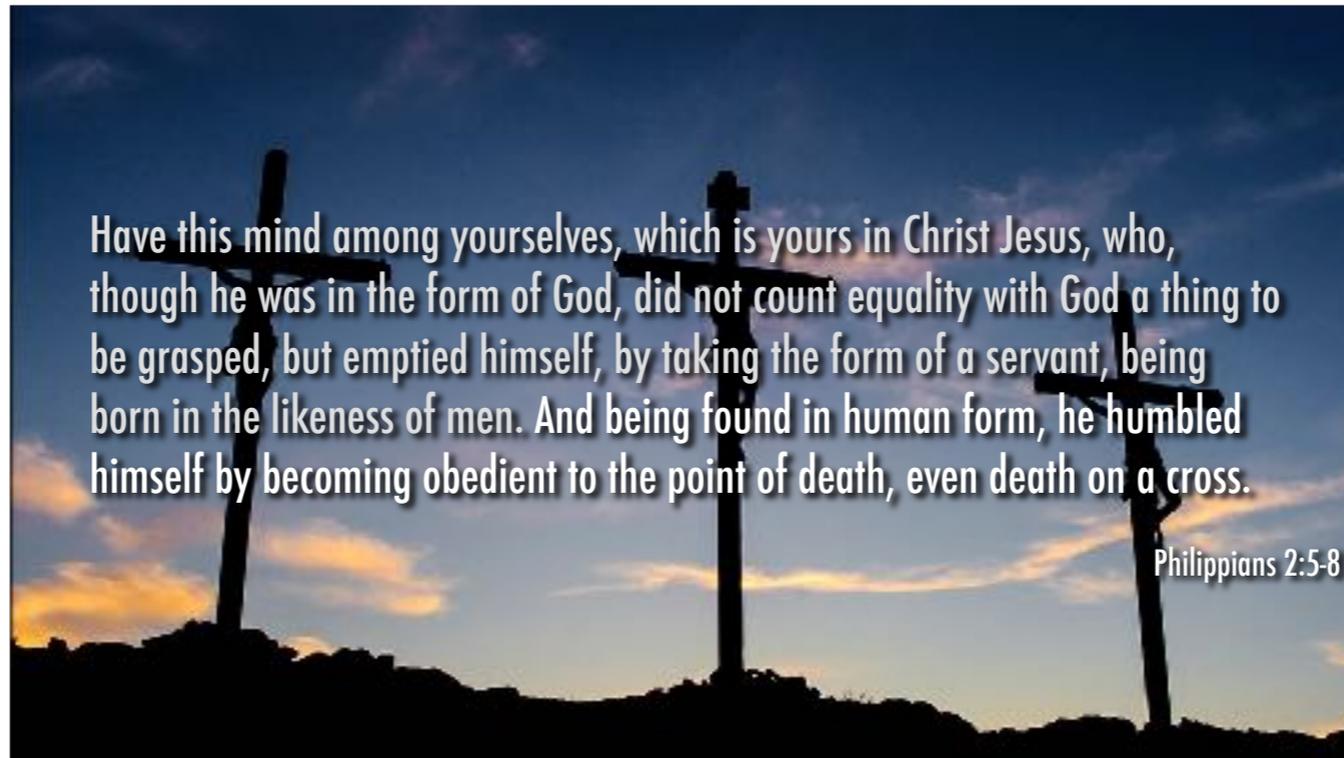
- Ephesians 4:13: until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ,
- How?
 - See Jesus' glory... more clearly and deeply.
- Not only can we be like Him, we **MUST** strive for this
 - Growing up!
- Let's look at a passage that helps us to see Jesus' glory.



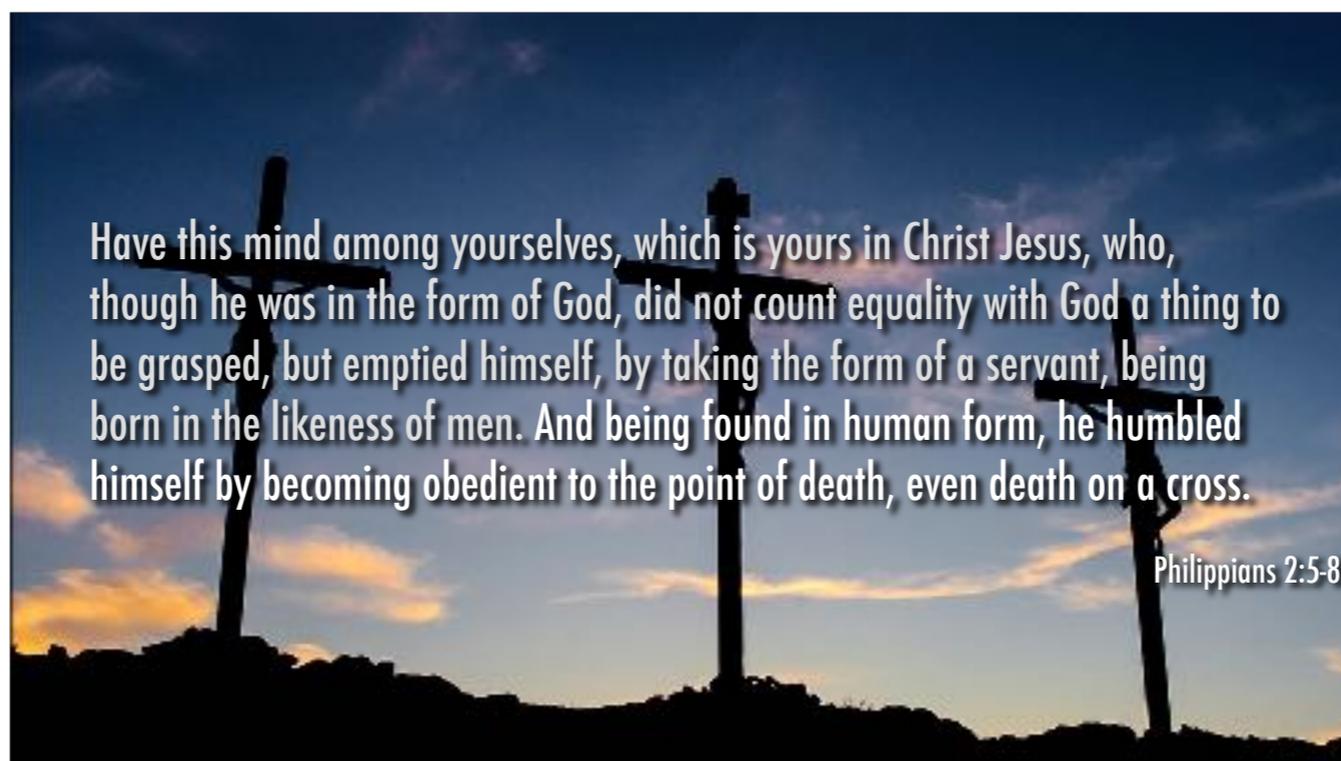
- Philippians 2:5-8 (ESV) 5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped,



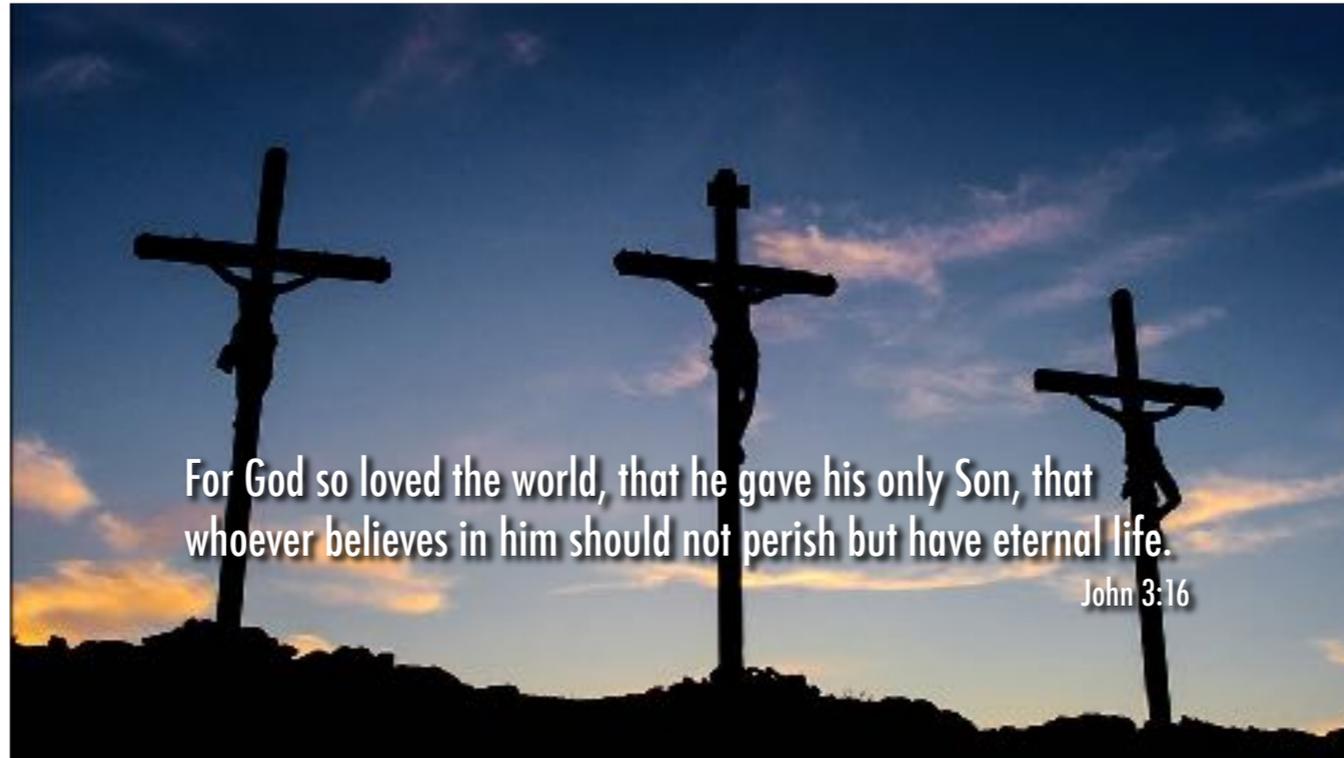
- 7 but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.
- 2 Corinthians 8:9 (ESV) For you know the **grace** of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.
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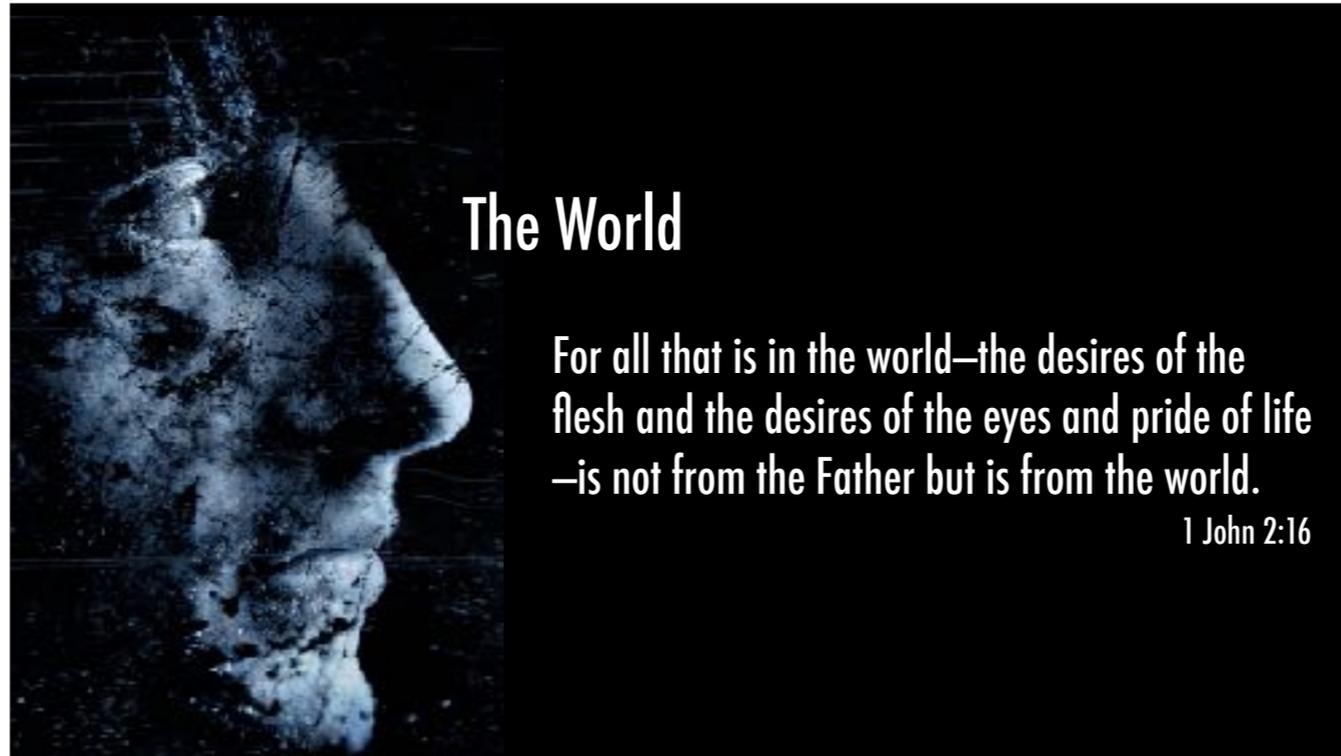
- 8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.
- Hebrews 2:10 (ESV) 10 For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in **bringing many sons to glory**, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through **suffering**.



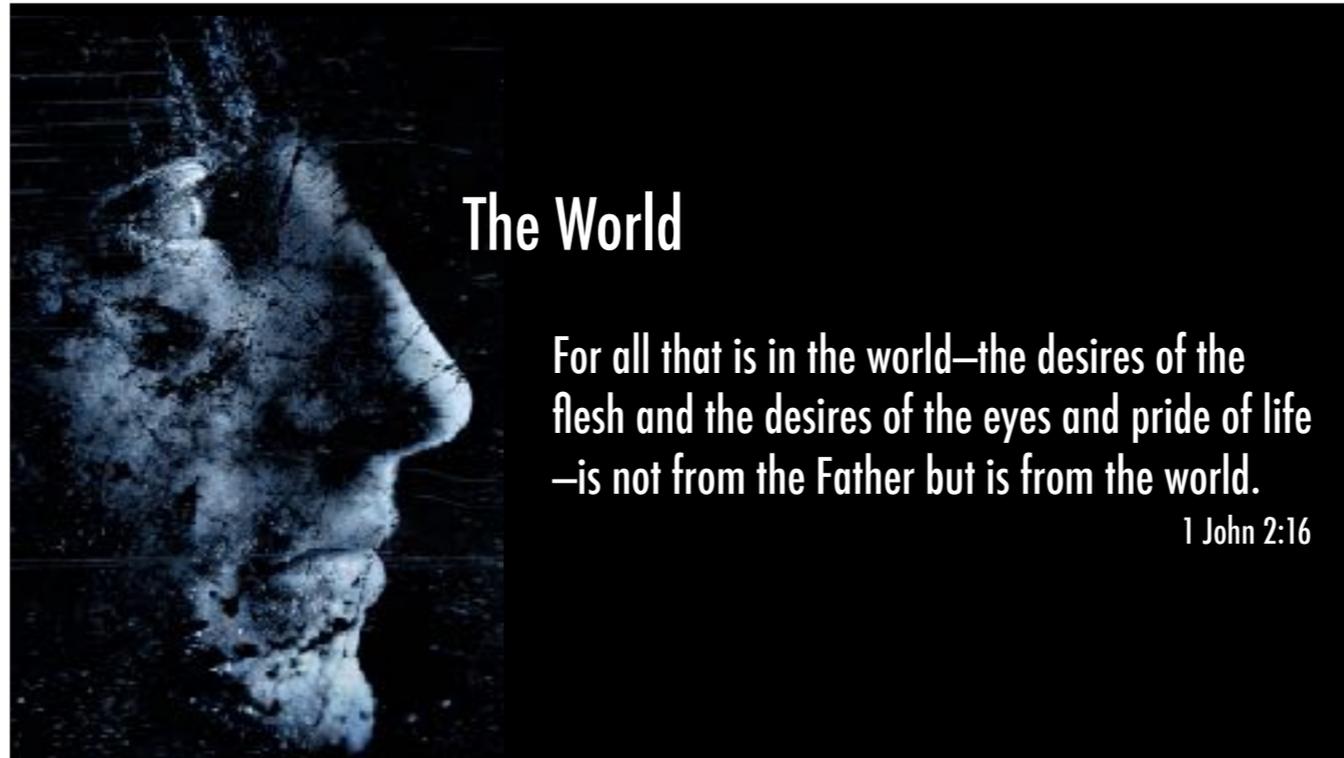
- Hebrews 2:14-18 (ESV) 14 Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise **partook** of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and **deliver** all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong **slavery**. 16 For surely it is not angels that he helps, but **he helps the offspring of Abraham**. 17 Therefore he had to be **made like his brothers in every respect**, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to **make propitiation for the sins** of the people. 18 For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.



- John 3:16 (ESV) “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.



- 1 John 2:15-17 (ESV) 15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. 17 And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.



- The world says
 - we must love ourselves first
 - be the greatest
 - me first



The World

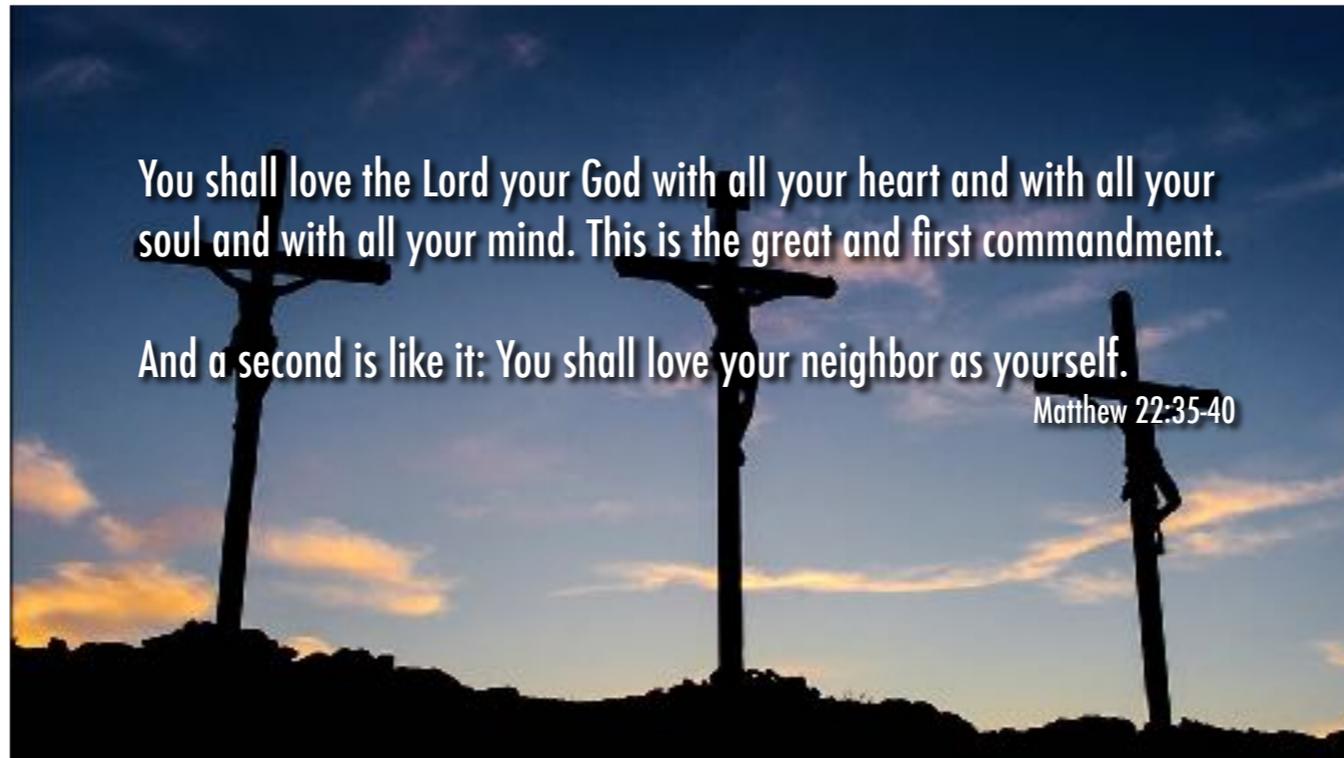
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- God says... we are to be like him and His Son
- To be in the image of Jesus
 - Love ... sacrificial love for others
 - Serve ... not just actions, but heart of a servant
- This is the transformation that we need...
 - To be glorious like Jesus.
 - not deity
 - love and serve

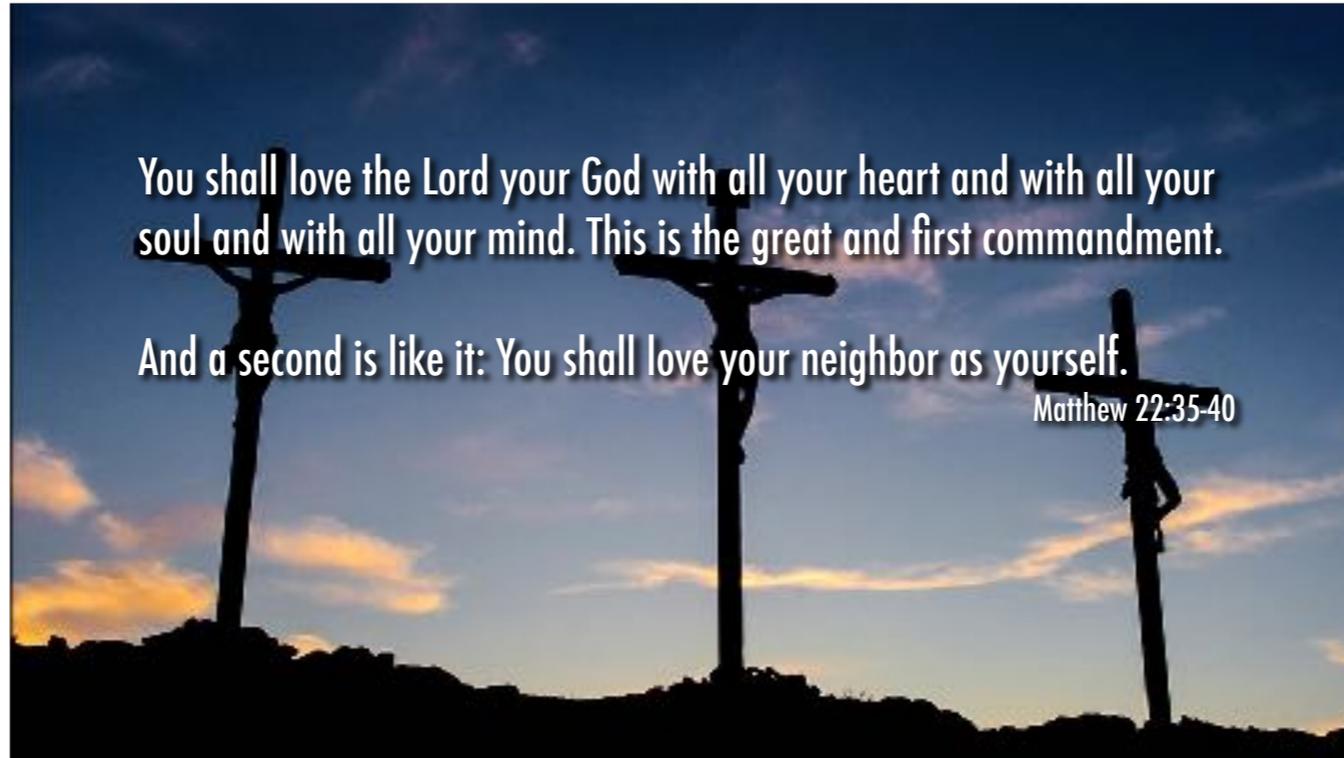


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Matthew 22:35-40

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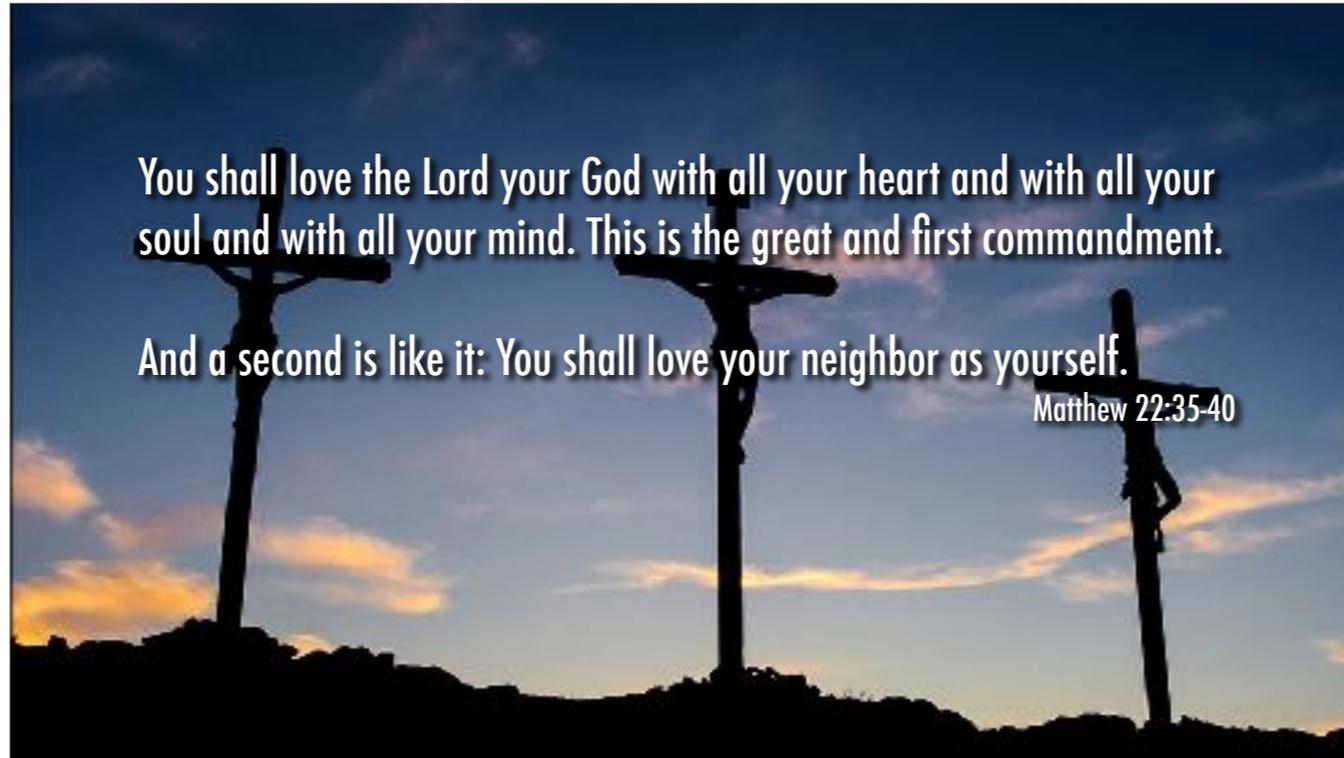


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- To be transformed we must love God with all our heart, soul, and mind
 - He wants all of me, not just some parts, some times
 - Love of God must be greater than the love of any other person (can we do this?)
 - We must love to live as taught by God more than we love living to please ourselves or others.
 - God's thinking must be our way of thinking, as much as possible.
 - Otherwise, we do not love God with all our heart.



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- Our actions will demonstrate our love for God and all others.
 - We live as Jesus lived.... a servant:
 - nature of a servant
 - not just conforming outwardly
 - Obedient to God
 - Compassionate to others, merciful.
 - We refuse to live in ways that Jesus said were evil, worldly, darkness
 - We must become like Jesus



- Matthew 14:14: When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick.
- Mark 6:34: When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things.



- Were all these people genuinely seeking Jesus, truth, salvation?
 - Some greedy? opportunistic? show? selfish?
 - some healing
 - some food
 - Yet Compassion!
- Adulterous woman, woman at well?
- Hypocrites? Those who tested him?
- He knows us in all our ugliness and sinfulness.
- Love them all and died for them!



- What is the measure of our being like Jesus?
 - Is it being obedient to following the exact pattern and details?
 - Is it in loving as Jesus loves?
 - Did not Jesus do both?



- Will we sacrifice ourselves for the salvation of others?
 - Go to the cross?
 - Suffer without complaint?
 - Forgive those who harm us and murder us?
 - Care about those who we don't know?



- Do you love Jesus?
 - Most will readily say “Yes!”
- How much?
 - Will all your heart, mind, soul?
 - Does your life reflect this love?
- What are you doing? How are you serving?
 - Have you stopped?
 - Are you pressing on?

**We implore you on
behalf of Christ,
be reconciled to God.**

2 Corinthians 5:20

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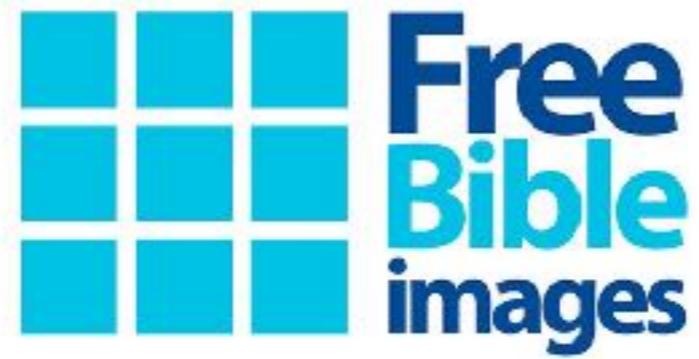
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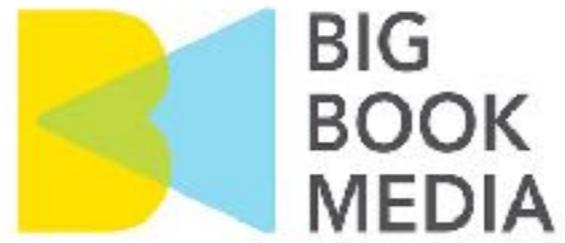


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Transformed to the Same Image

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Synopsis: Paul tells us that we are being transformed to the same image of Jesus. But what does that mean? Can I be glorious like Jesus? Absolutely! But the focus must not be on Jesus' deity, but his choice to love us and come as a servant to save us. This lesson borrowed from Darrel Yontz partially.

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