

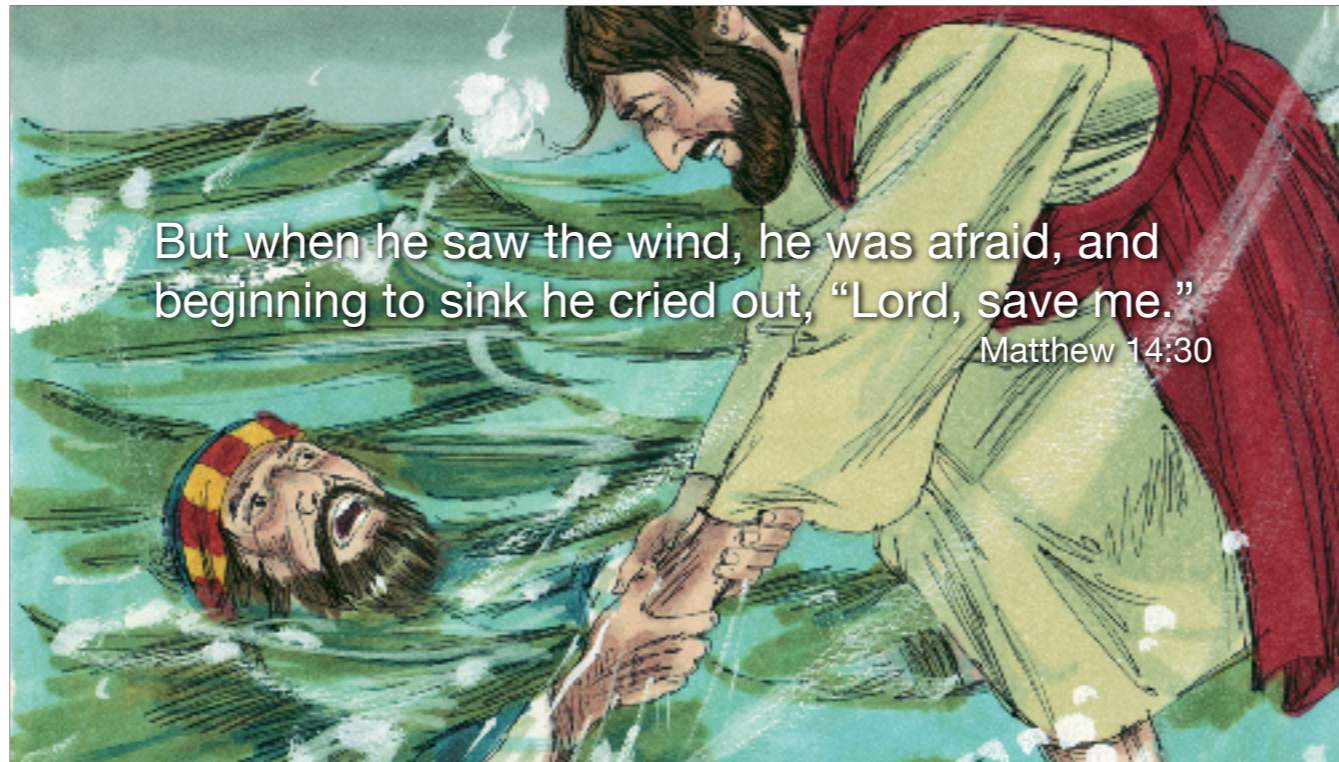


Do I Need Saving?
1 John 4:17-18



Save us, Lord; we are perishing.
Matthew 8:25

- Matthew 8:23-27 (ESV) 23 And when he got into the boat, his disciples followed him. 24 And behold, there arose a great storm on the sea, so that the boat was being swamped by the waves; but he was asleep. 25 And they went and woke him, saying, “Save us, Lord; we are perishing.” 26 And he said to them, “Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?” Then he rose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. 27 And the men marveled, saying, “What sort of man is this, that even winds and sea obey him?”



- Matthew 14:28-33 (ESV) 28 And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." 29 He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. 30 But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." 31 Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" 32 And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. 33 And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."



- But do I need saving?
 - These moments are rare
 - Mostly our days are mundane
 - nothing dangerous or life threatening
- For the most part we try to do good and be kind
 - So even spiritually, we feel pretty safe

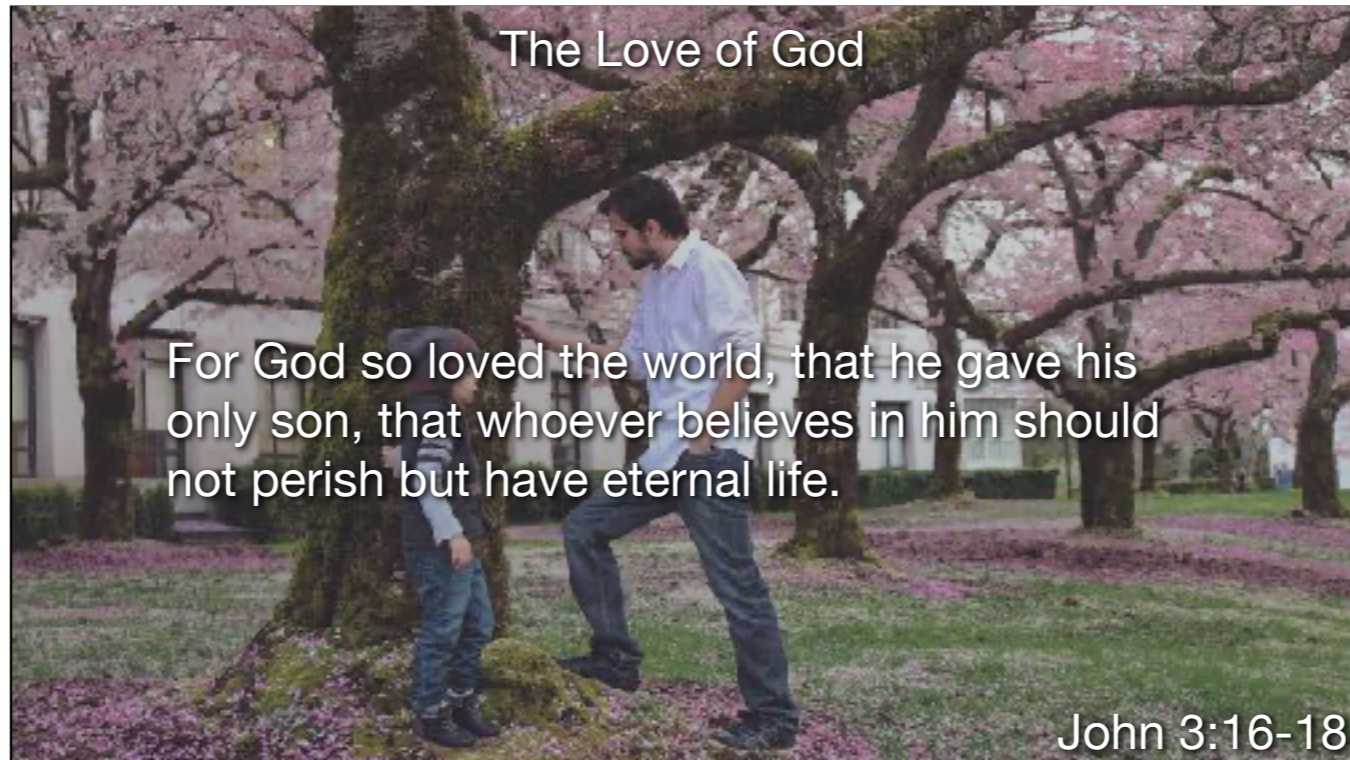


- There's another hidden danger though
 - Some consider themselves too bad to be saved.
 - or not worth being saved



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Romans 3:23

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- If we've all sinned, how can we go home?
- Would God even want us back?
 - And this is where many of us stumble.
 - Knowing that we've sinned, and face God's wrath,
 - And that I haven't been what he would want me to be
 - And that he doesn't approve of what I am now: I've fallen short



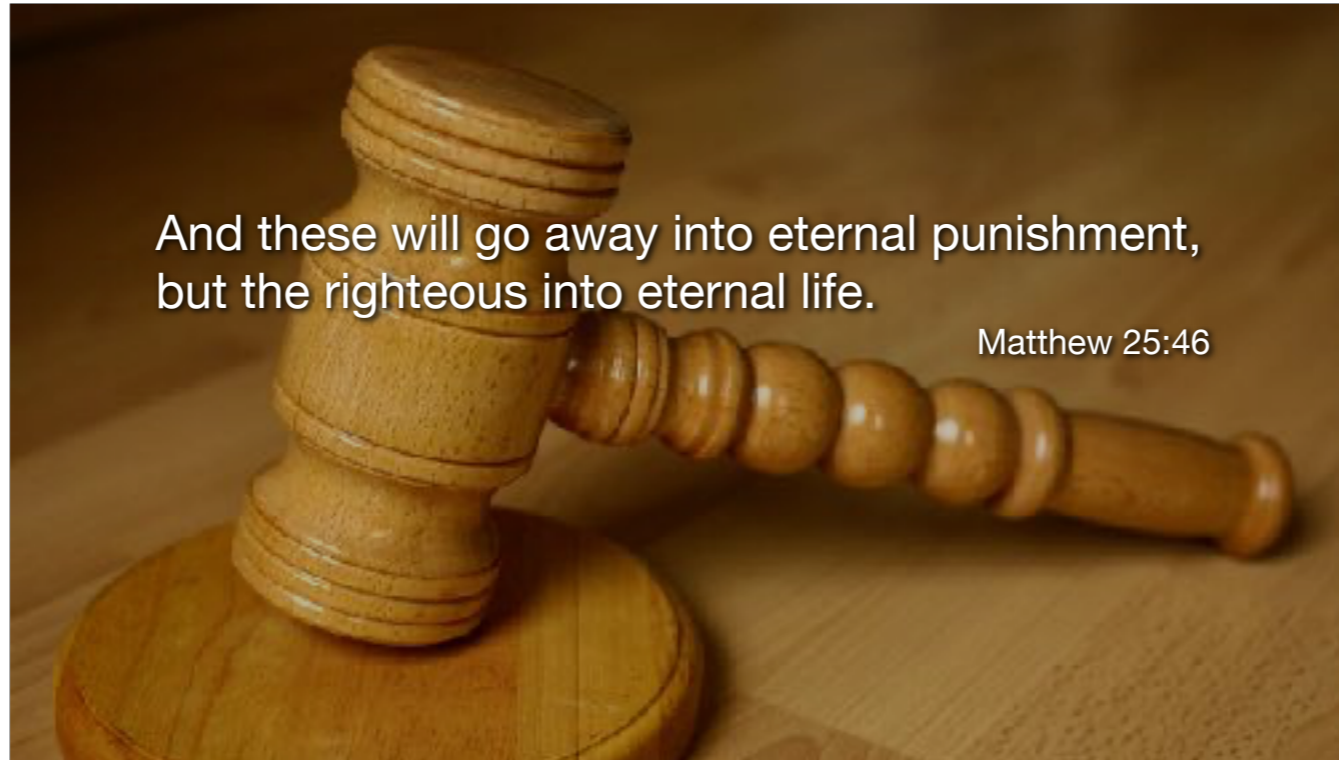
- John 3:16-18
 - For God so loved the world,
 - that he gave his only Son,
 - that whoever believes in him
 - should not perish
 - but have eternal life.
 - 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world,
 - but in order that the world might be saved through him.
 - 18 Whoever believes in him is not condemned,
 - but whoever does not believe is condemned already,
 - because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.



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Hebrews 9:27

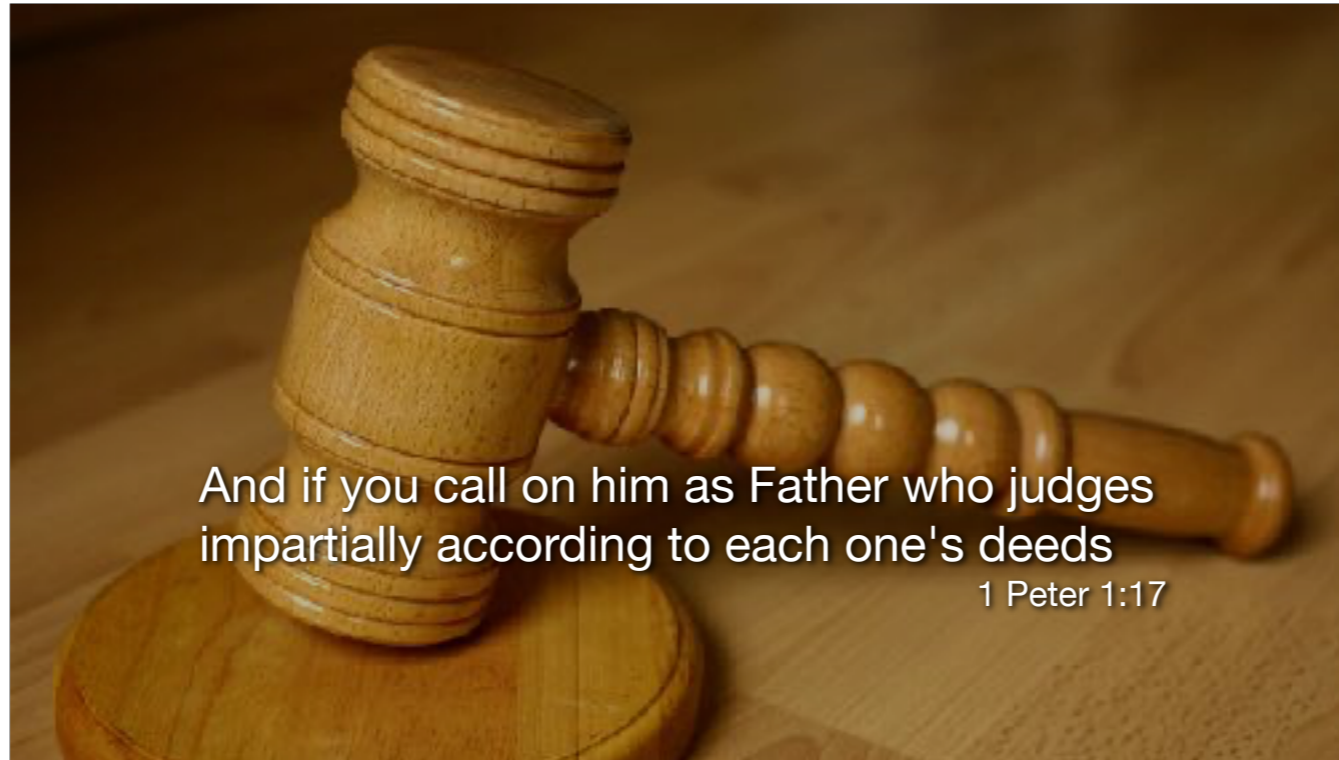
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Matthew 25:46

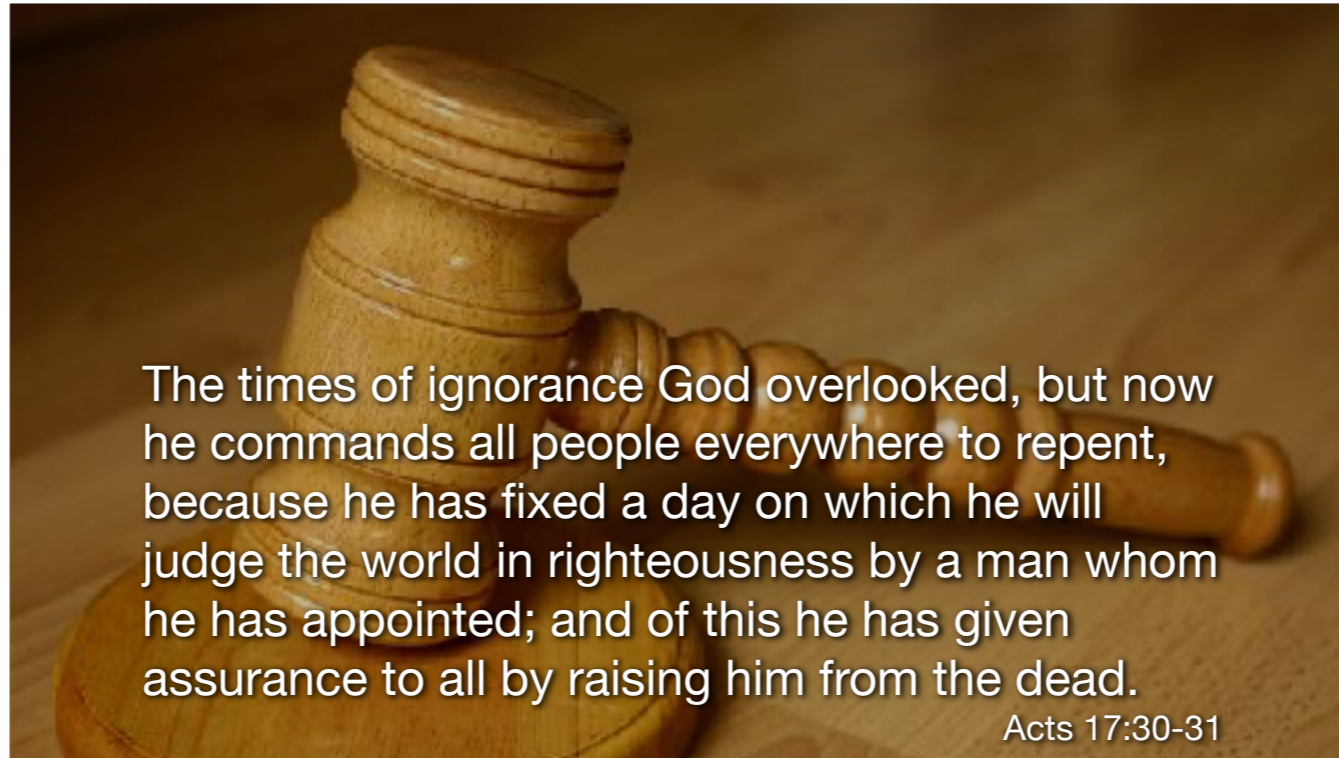
- Matthew 25:31-33 (ESV) 31 “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. 32 Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. 33 And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left.
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1 Peter 1:17

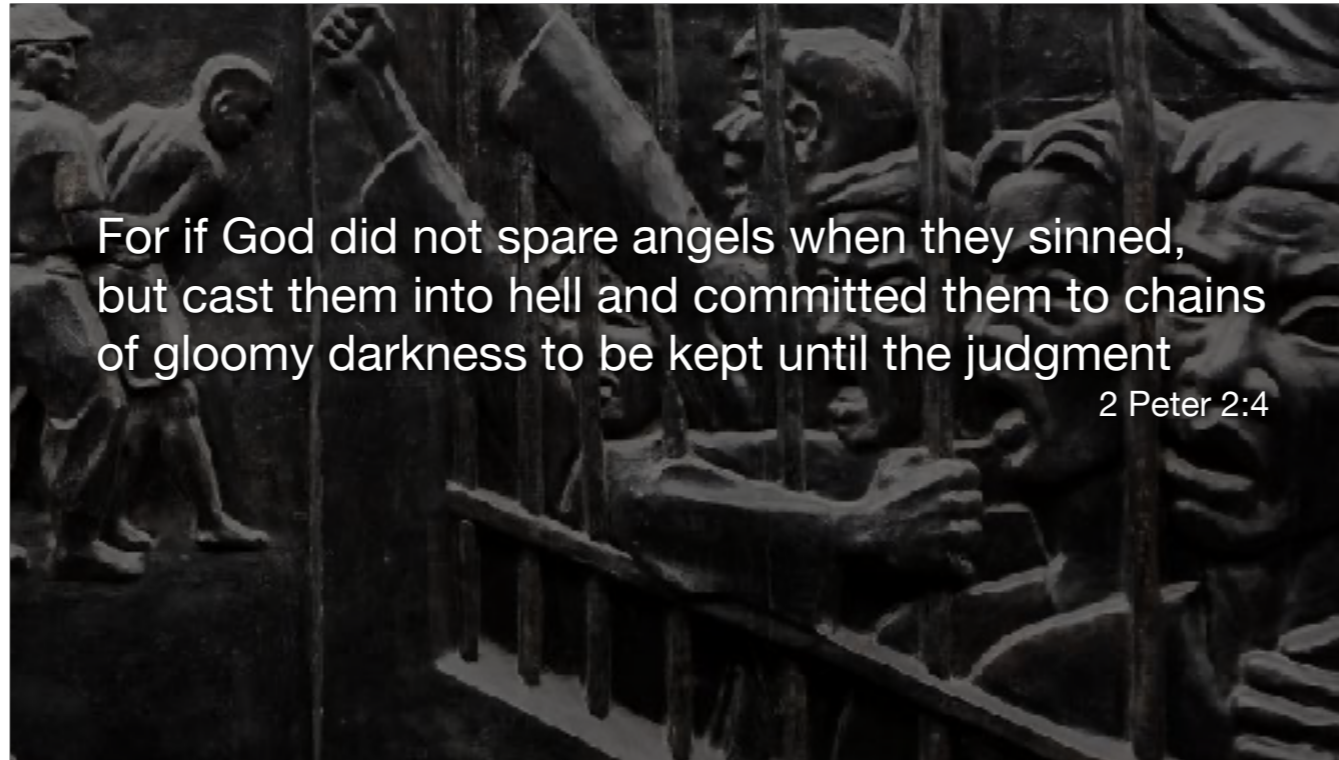
- 1 Peter 1:17 And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile,



The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.

Acts 17:30-31

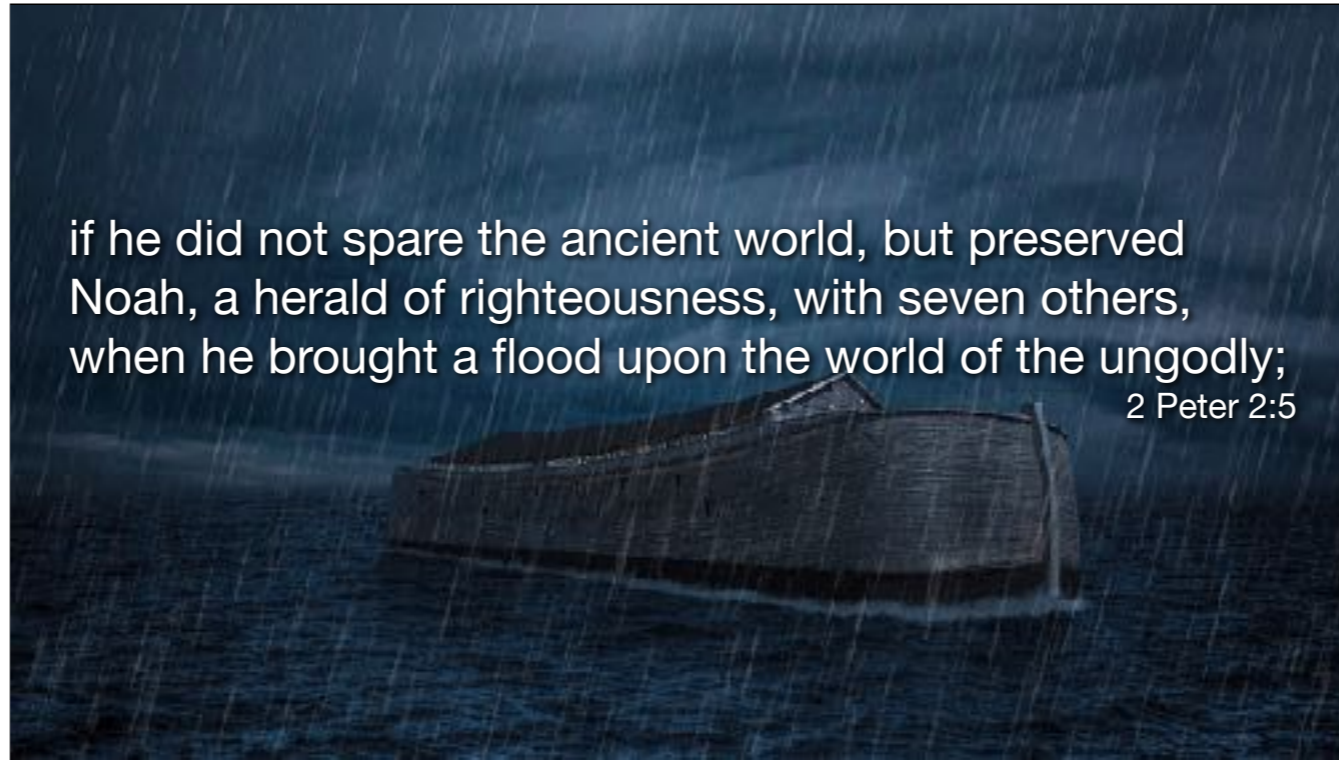
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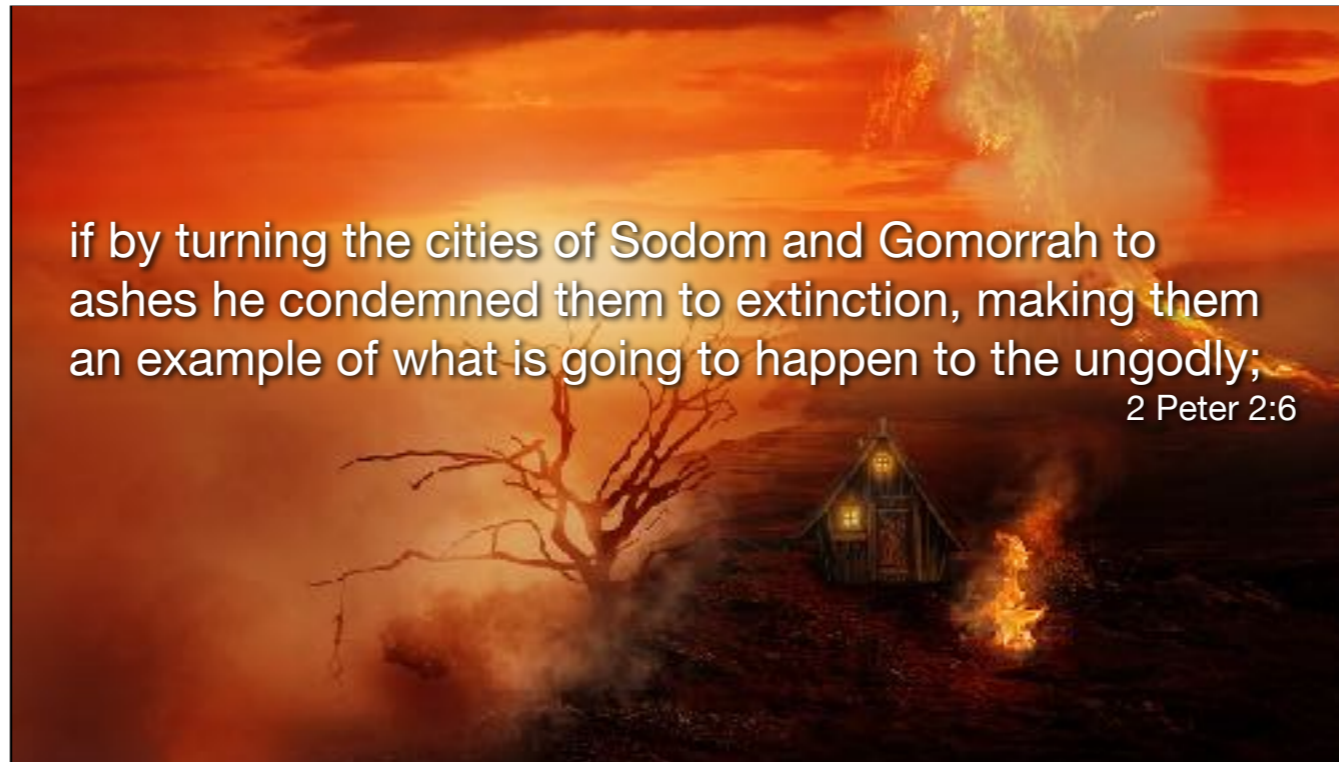
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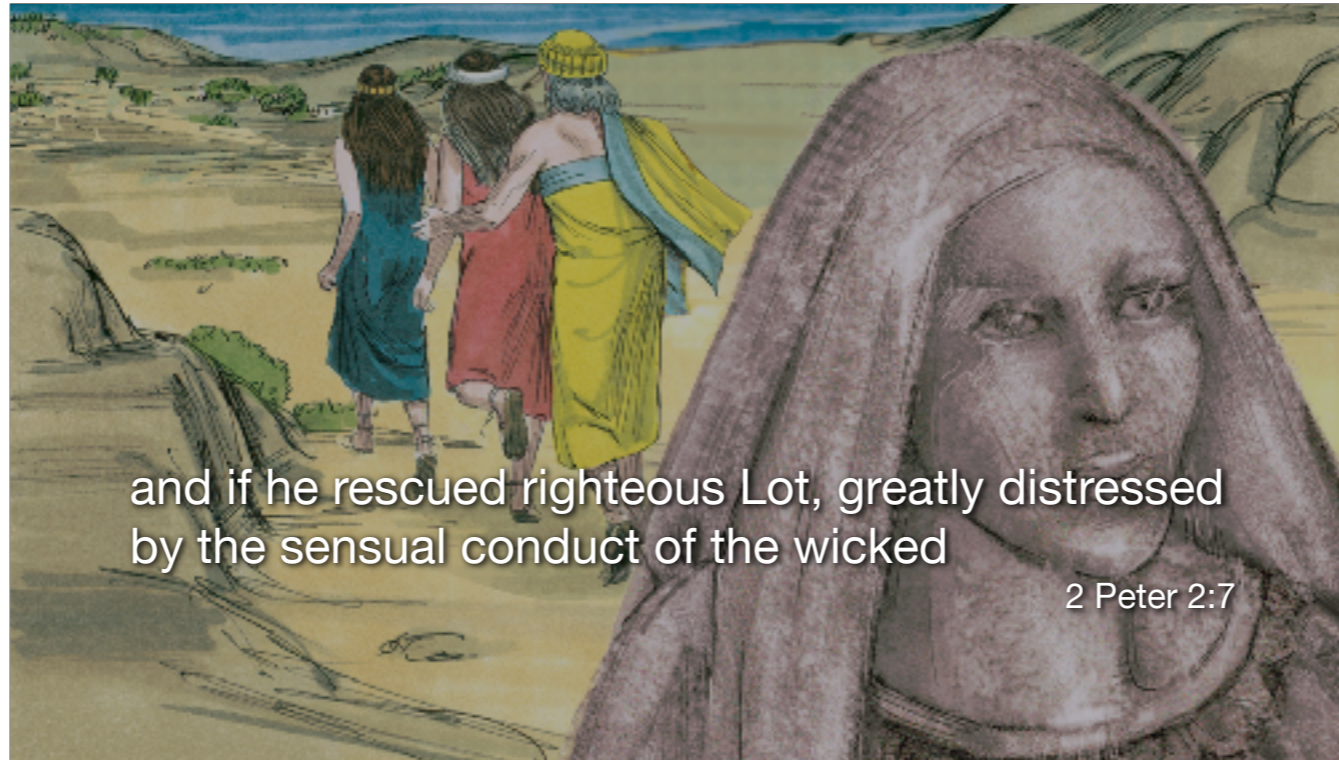


- 5 if he did not spare the ancient world, but preserved Noah, a herald of righteousness, with seven others, when he brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly;



if by turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah to ashes he condemned them to extinction, making them an example of what is going to happen to the ungodly;
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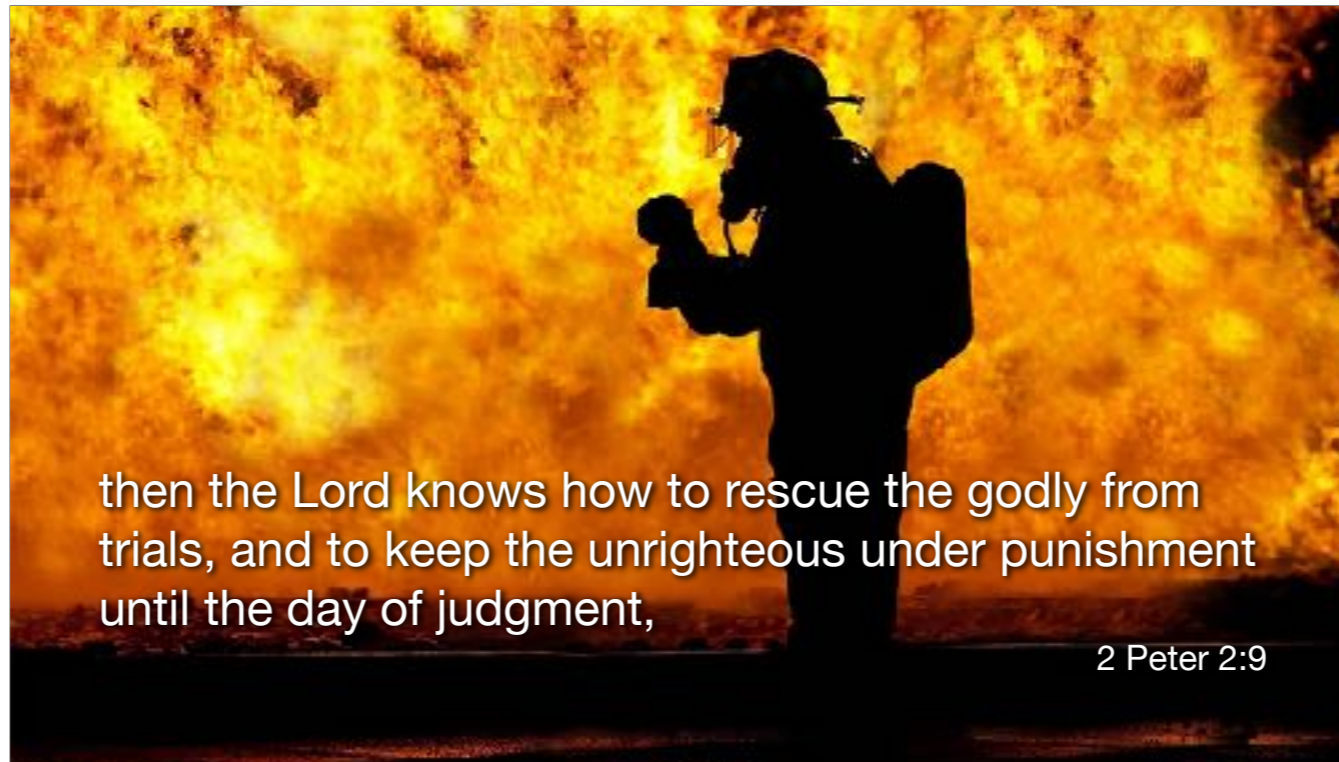
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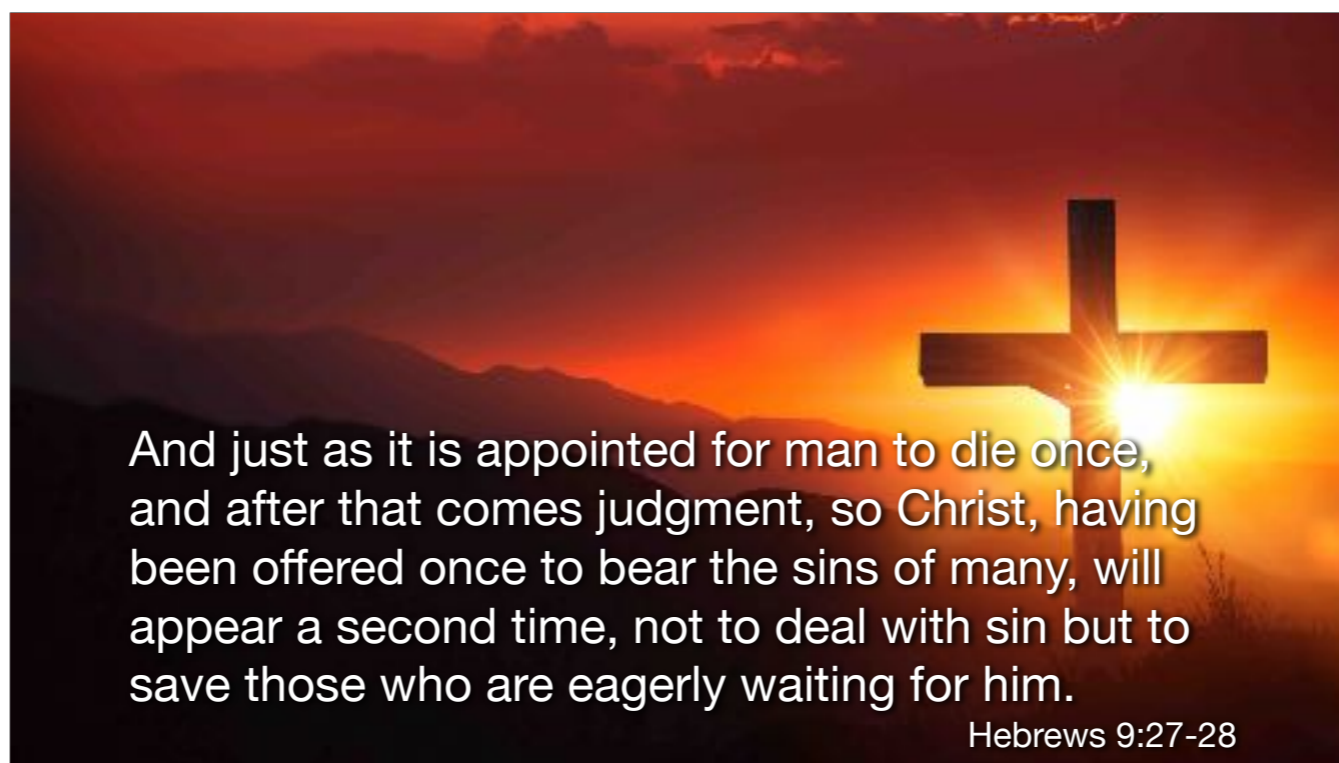
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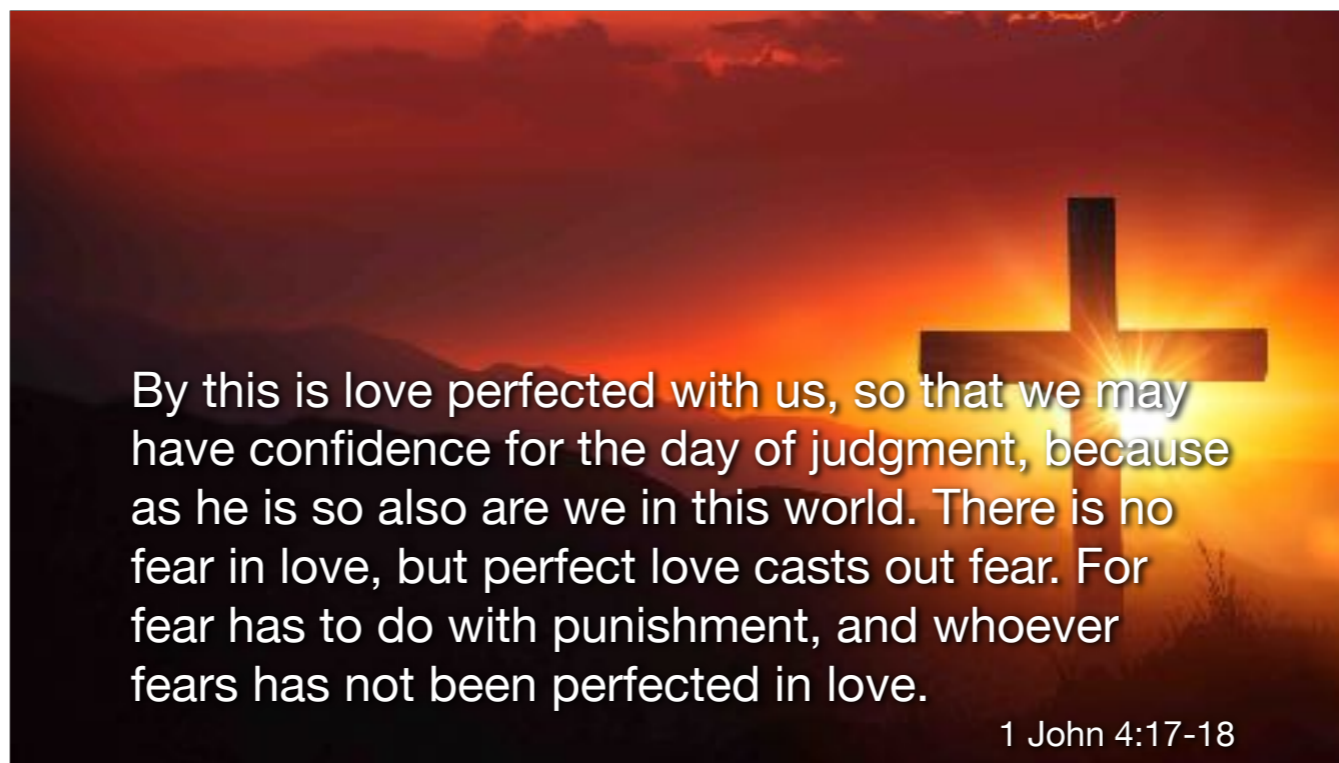
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We implore you
on behalf of Christ,
be reconciled to God.

2 Corinthians 5:20

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Synopsis: I'm okay, I don't need saving. But a day of judgment is coming, and God knows how to judge. Our hope is in his love that gives us confidence on that day.

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“Let all that you do be done with love.”