

**PRAYER**  
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**“CALLING ON THE NAME OF THE LORD”**

**GENESIS 4:26**

**26 .....Men began to call on the name of the LORD.**

# WHO CALLED ON THE NAME OF THE LORD?

## GENESIS 12:8

- 8 **Abram** moved from there to the mountain east of Bethel, and he pitched his tent with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; there **Abram built an altar to the LORD and called on the name of the LORD.**

## GENESIS 13:3-4

- 3 **Abram went** on his journey from the South as far as Bethel, to the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Ai,  
4 **To the place of the altar** which he had made there at first. And there **Abram called on the name of the LORD.**

## GENESIS 26:25

- 25 **Isaac built an altar and called on the name of the LORD....**

# WHO CALLED ON THE NAME OF THE LORD?

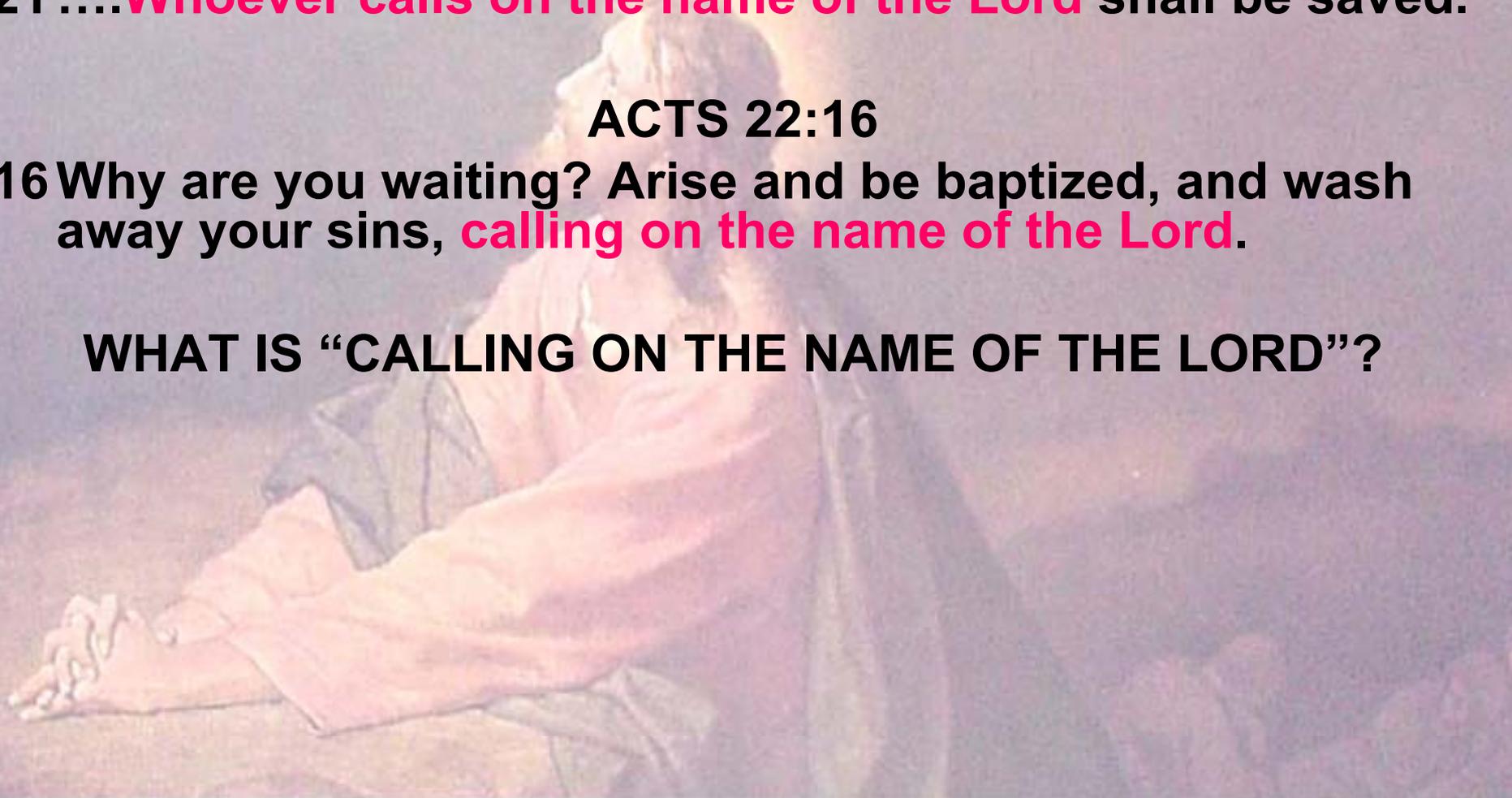
DAY OF PENTECOST  
ACTS 2:21

21 ....**Whoever calls on the name of the Lord** shall be saved.

ACTS 22:16

16 Why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, **calling on the name of the Lord.**

WHAT IS “CALLING ON THE NAME OF THE LORD”?



# WHO DID JESUS PRAY TO?

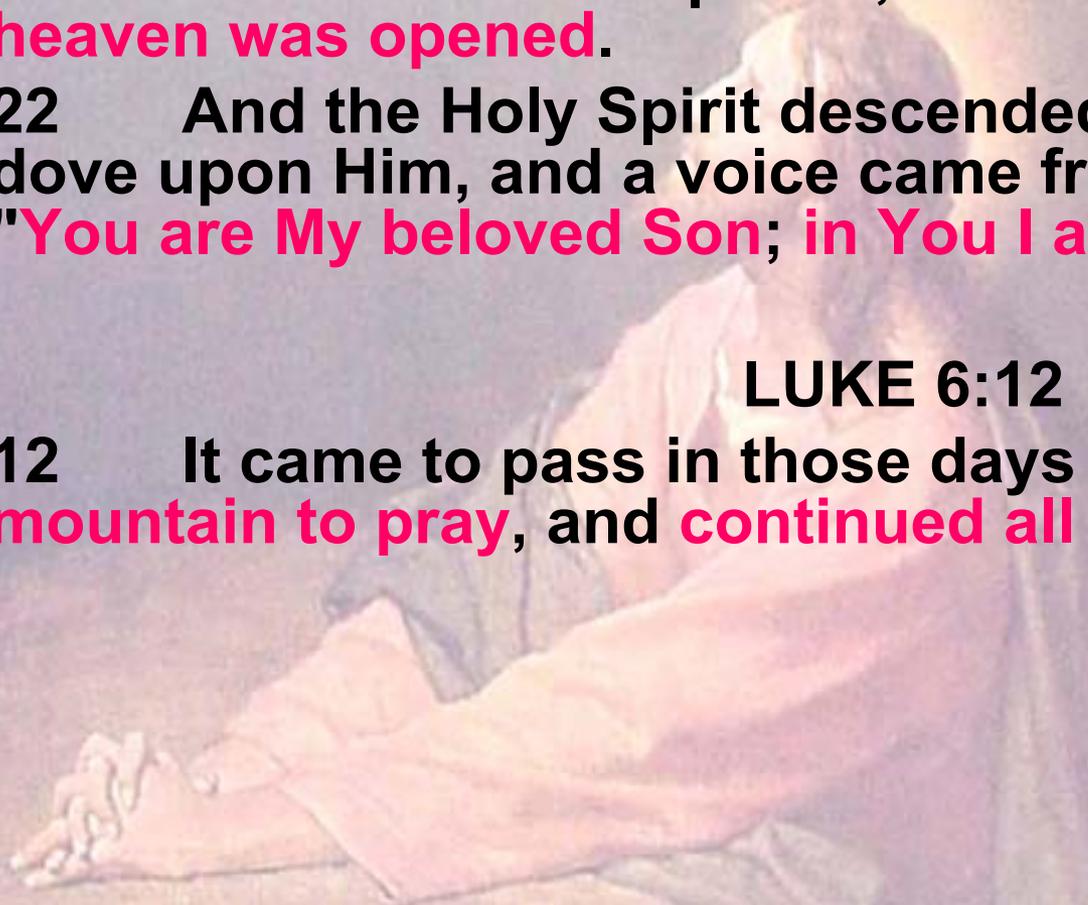
## LUKE 3:21-22

21 When all the people were baptized, it came to pass that **Jesus** also was baptized; and **while He prayed, the heaven was opened.**

22 And the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form like a dove upon Him, and a voice came from heaven which said, "**You are My beloved Son; in You I am well pleased.**"

## LUKE 6:12

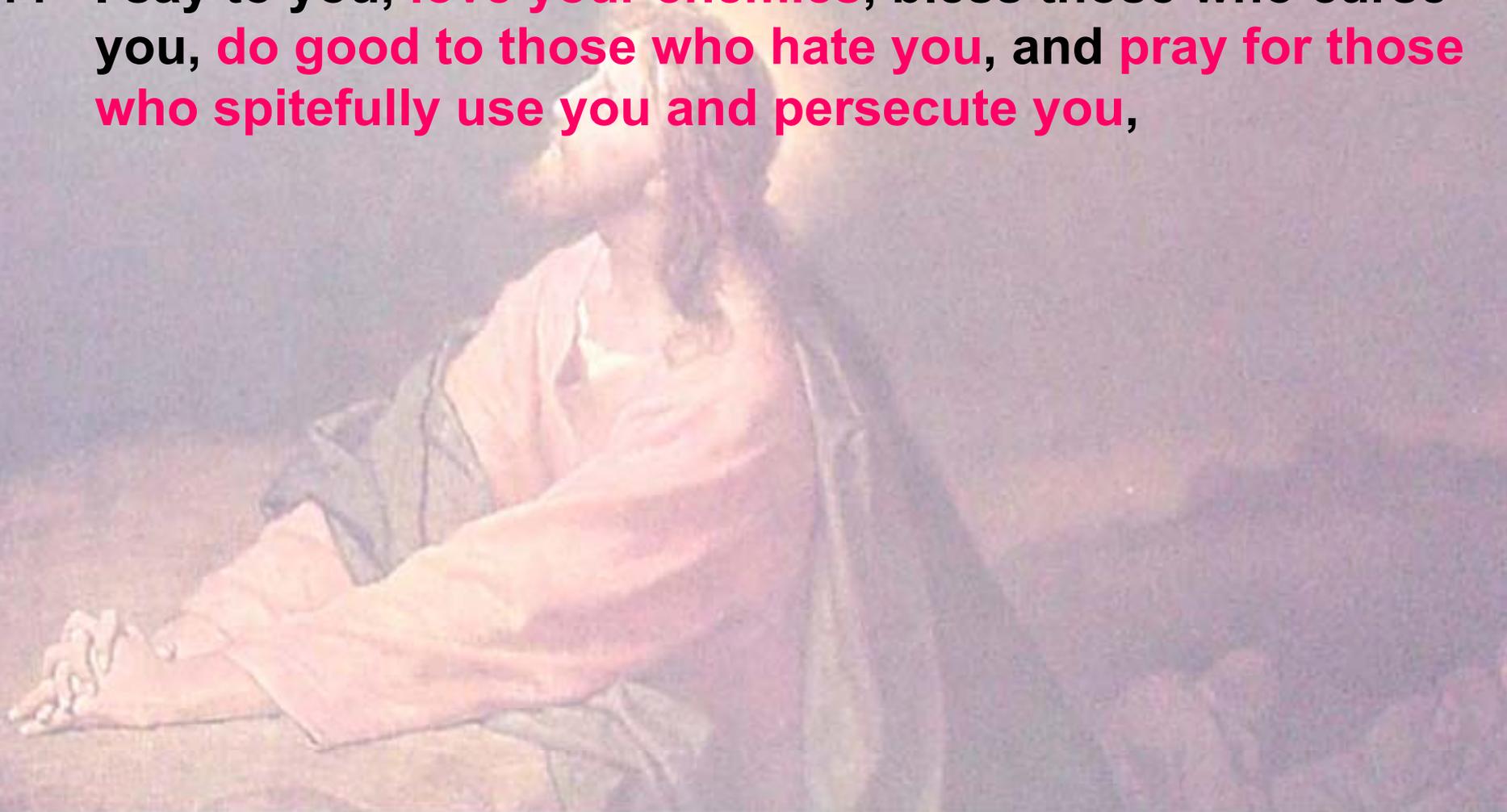
12 It came to pass in those days that **He went out to the mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God.**



# WHO DID JESUS TELL THEM TO PRAY FOR?

## MATTHEW 5:44

44 I say to you, **love your enemies**, bless those who curse you, **do good to those who hate you**, and **pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you**,



# DID JESUS TEACH THEM “HOW” TO PRAY?

## MATTHEW 6:5-8

5 When you pray, **you shall not be like the hypocrites.** For **they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men.** Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward.

6 When you pray, **go into your room,** and when you have shut your door, **pray to your Father who is in the secret place;** and **your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly.**

7 When you pray, **do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do.** For they think that they will be heard for their many words.

8 Therefore do not be like them. For **your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him.**



# WHO SAID TO THE LORD “TEACH US TO PRAY”?

## LUKE 11:1-4

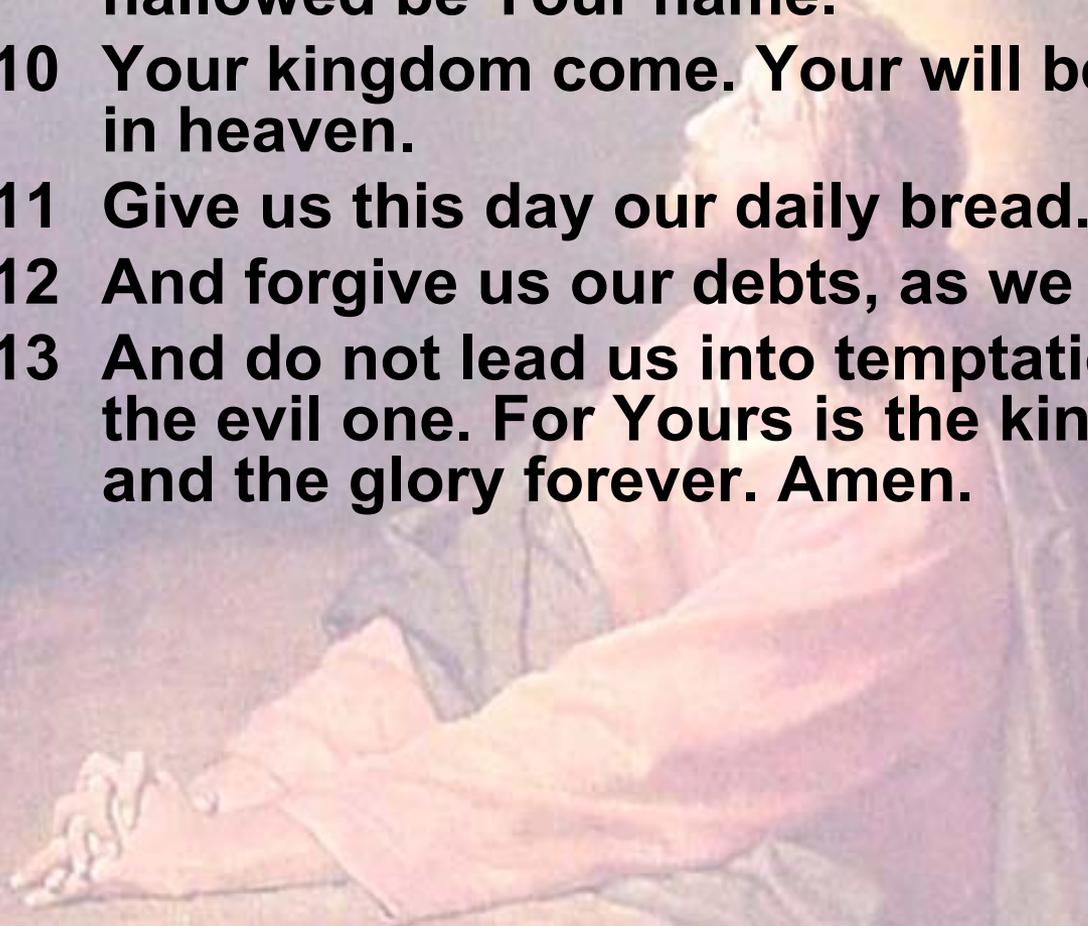
- 1 Jesus was praying in a certain place and when He ceased, **one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples."**
- 2 Jesus said to them, **"When you pray, say: our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**
- 3 **Give us day by day our daily bread.**
- 4 **And forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one."**



# DID JESUS TEACH THEM “HOW “TO PRAY?”

## MATTHEW 6:9-13

- 9 **In this manner**, therefore, **pray**: our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name.
- 10 Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
- 11 Give us this day our daily bread.
- 12 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
- 13 And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.



# DID JESUS TEACH THEM HOW TO PRAY?

## MATTHEW 9:38

- 38 Pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.

## LUKE 9:28

- 28 About eight days after these sayings, Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up on the mountain to pray.

## MATTHEW 21:22

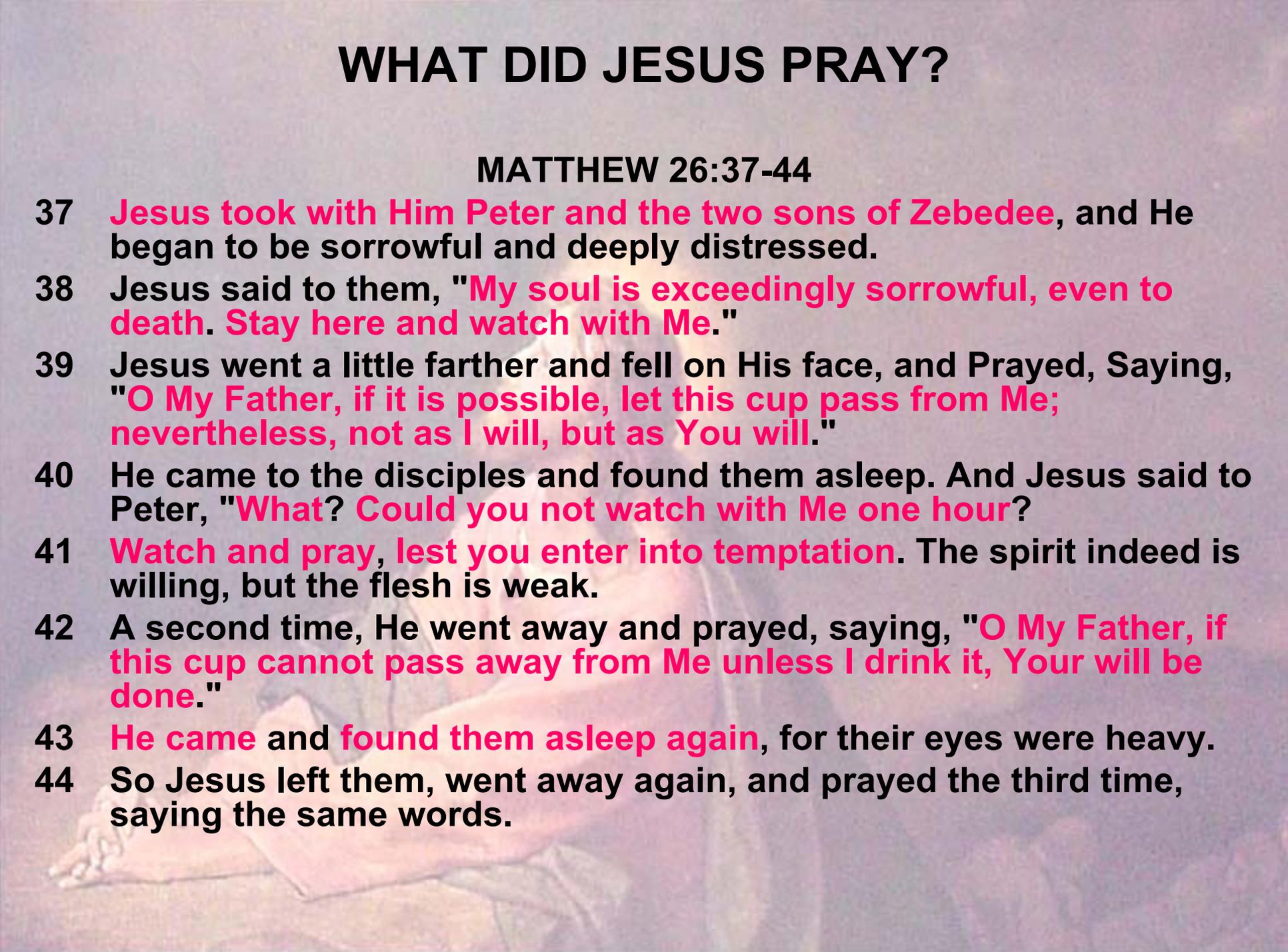
- 22 Whatever things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive.

## LUKE 22:32

- 32 I have prayed for you, that your faith should not fail; and when you have returned to Me, strengthen your brethren.

# WHAT DID JESUS PRAY?

## MATTHEW 26:37-44

- 37 **Jesus took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and He began to be sorrowful and deeply distressed.**
- 38 **Jesus said to them, "My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here and watch with Me."**
- 39 **Jesus went a little farther and fell on His face, and Prayed, Saying, "O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will."**
- 40 **He came to the disciples and found them asleep. And Jesus said to Peter, "What? Could you not watch with Me one hour?"**
- 41 **Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.**
- 42 **A second time, He went away and prayed, saying, "O My Father, if this cup cannot pass away from Me unless I drink it, Your will be done."**
- 43 **He came and found them asleep again, for their eyes were heavy.**
- 44 **So Jesus left them, went away again, and prayed the third time, saying the same words.**
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# WHAT DID JESUS PRAY?

LUKE 22:39-46

- 39 Coming out, Jesus went to the Mount of Olives, as He was accustomed, and His disciples followed Him.
- 40 When He came to the place, He said to them, "Pray that you may not enter into temptation."
- 41 He was withdrawn from them about a stone's throw, and He knelt down and prayed,  
Saying, "Father, if it is Your will, take this cup away from Me; nevertheless not My will, but Yours, be done."
- 43 An angel appeared to Him from heaven, strengthening Him.
- 44 Being in agony, He prayed more earnestly. Then His sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground.
- 45 When He rose up from prayer, and had come to His disciples, He found them sleeping from sorrow.
- 46 He said to them, "Why do you sleep? Rise and pray, lest you enter into temptation."

# WHAT DID JESUS PRAY?

## LUKE 23:34

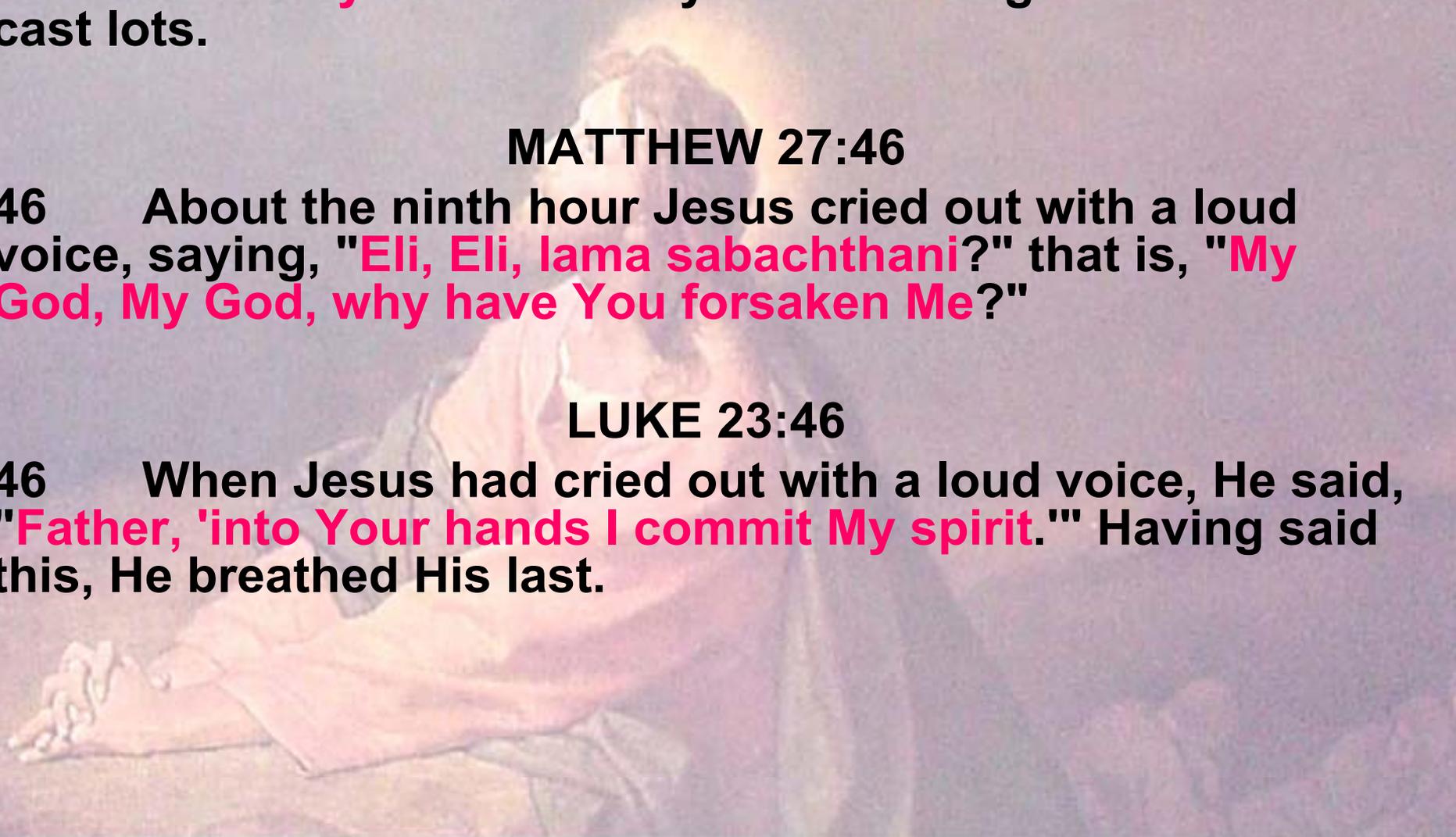
34 Jesus said, "**Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do.**" And they divided His garments and cast lots.

## MATTHEW 27:46

46 About the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "**Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?**" that is, "**My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?**"

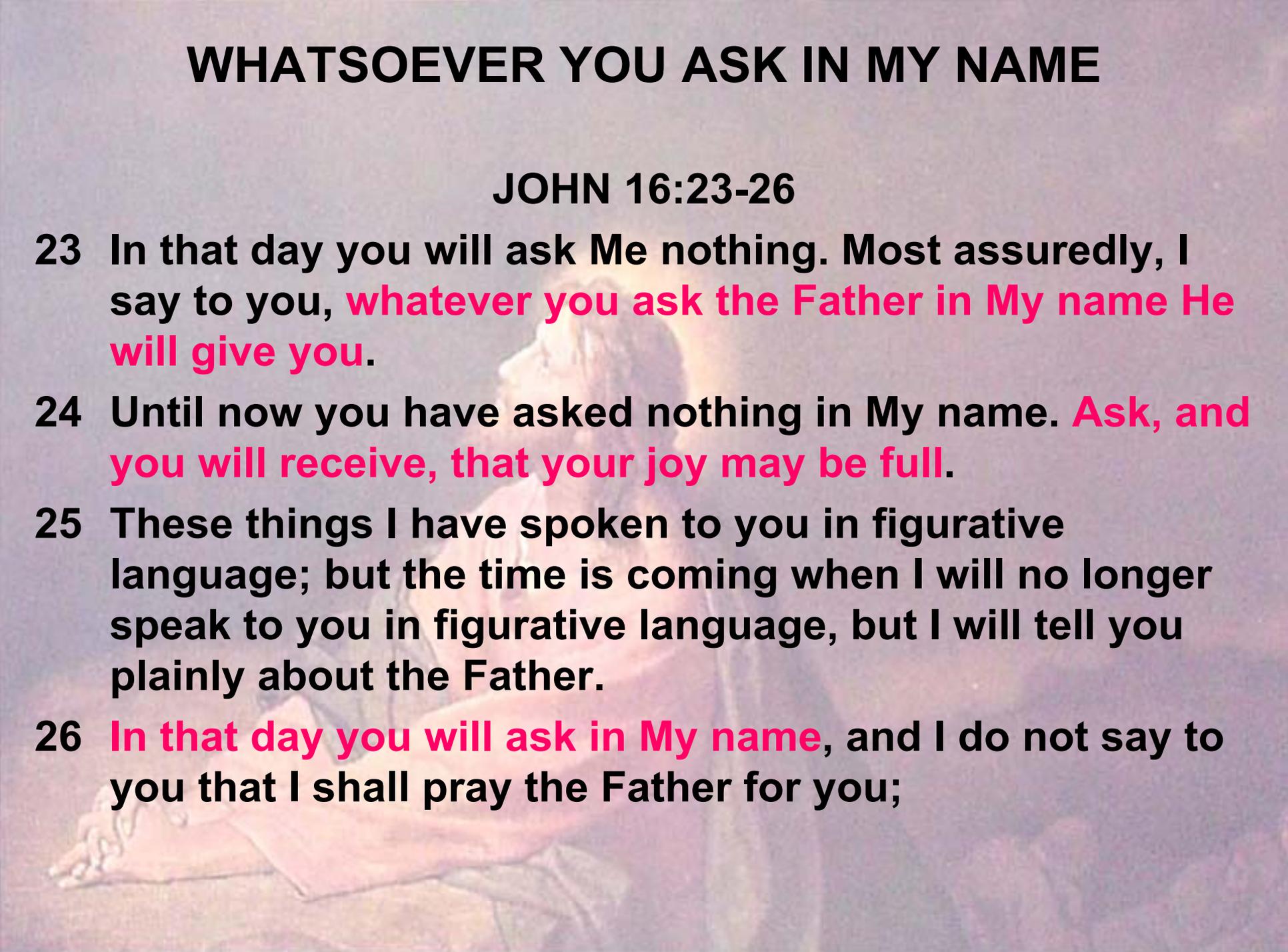
## LUKE 23:46

46 When Jesus had cried out with a loud voice, He said, "**Father, 'into Your hands I commit My spirit.'**" Having said this, He breathed His last.



# WHATSOEVER YOU ASK IN MY NAME

JOHN 16:23-26

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- 23 In that day you will ask Me nothing. Most assuredly, I say to you, **whatever you ask the Father in My name He will give you.**
- 24 Until now you have asked nothing in My name. **Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.**
- 25 These things I have spoken to you in figurative language; but the time is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figurative language, but I will tell you plainly about the Father.
- 26 **In that day you will ask in My name,** and I do not say to you that I shall pray the Father for you;

# WHAT DID JESUS SAY ABOUT OUR PRAYERS?

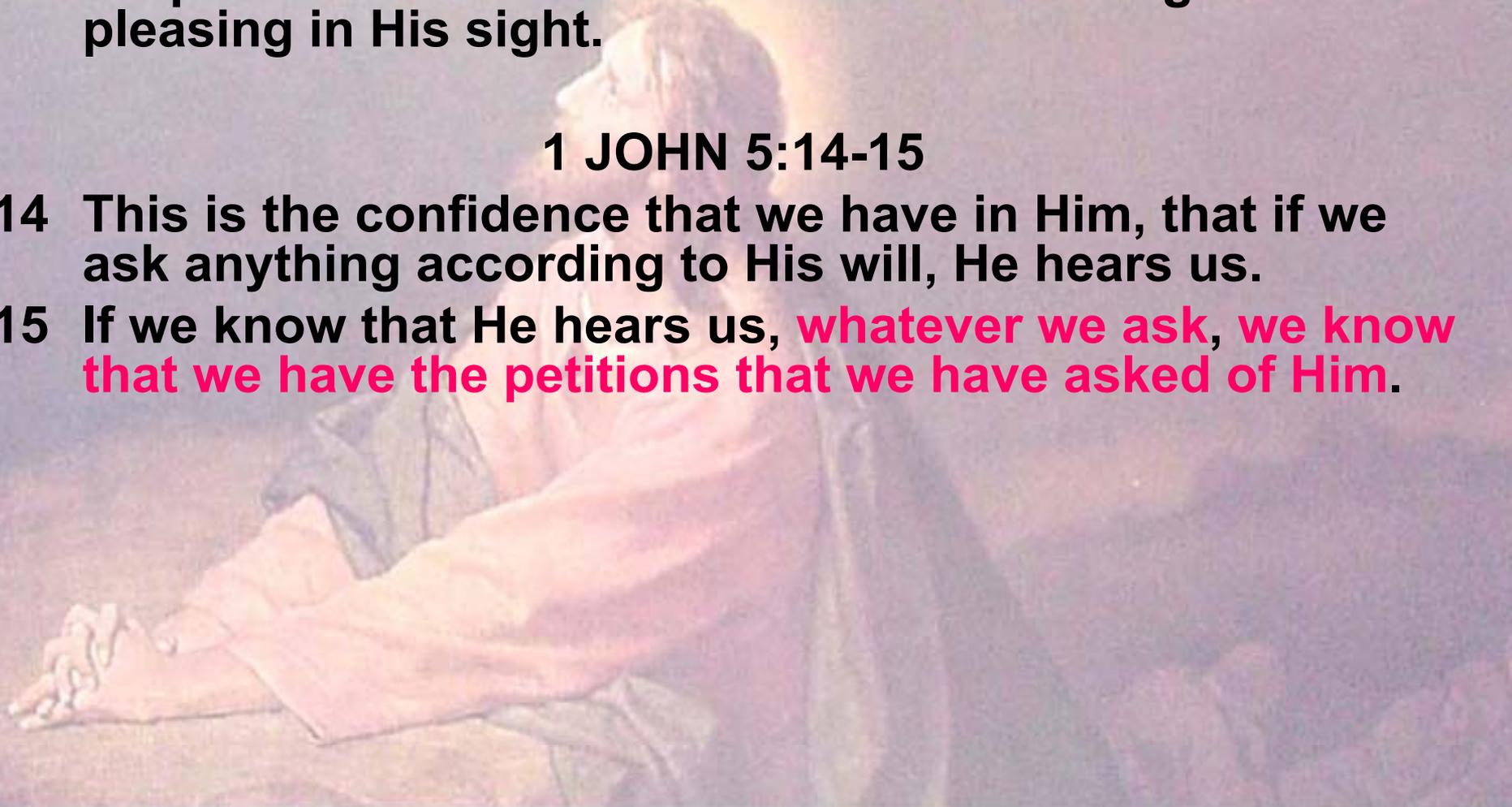
## 1 JOHN 3:22

22 **Whatever we ask we receive from Him**, because we keep His commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight.

## 1 JOHN 5:14-15

14 This is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.

15 If we know that He hears us, **whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.**



# DID THE APOSTLES PRAY?

## ACTS 1:13-14

- 13 When they had entered, **they went up into the upper room where they were staying**: Peter, James, John, and Andrew; Philip and Thomas; Bartholomew and Matthew; James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot; and Judas the son of James.
- 14 **These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication**, with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers.



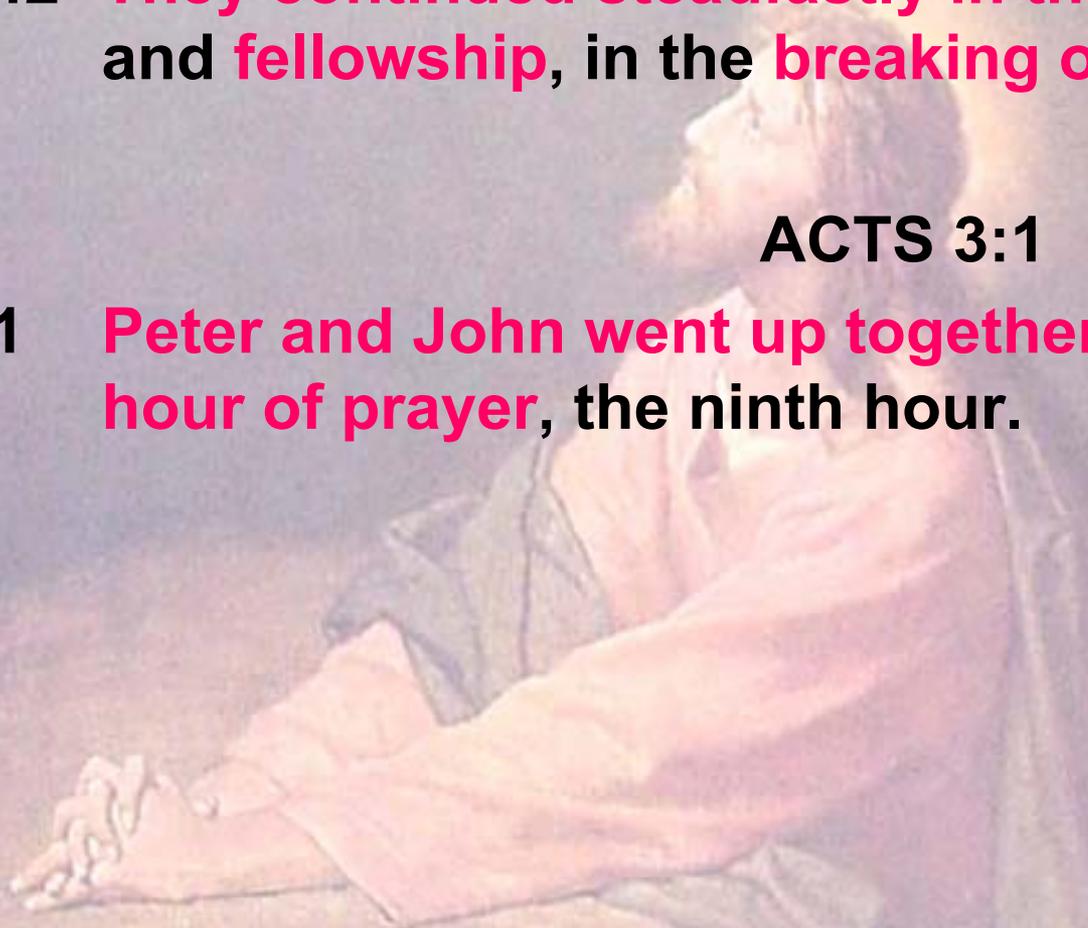
# HOW OFTEN DID THEY PRAY?

## ACTS 2:42

- 42 They continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.

## ACTS 3:1

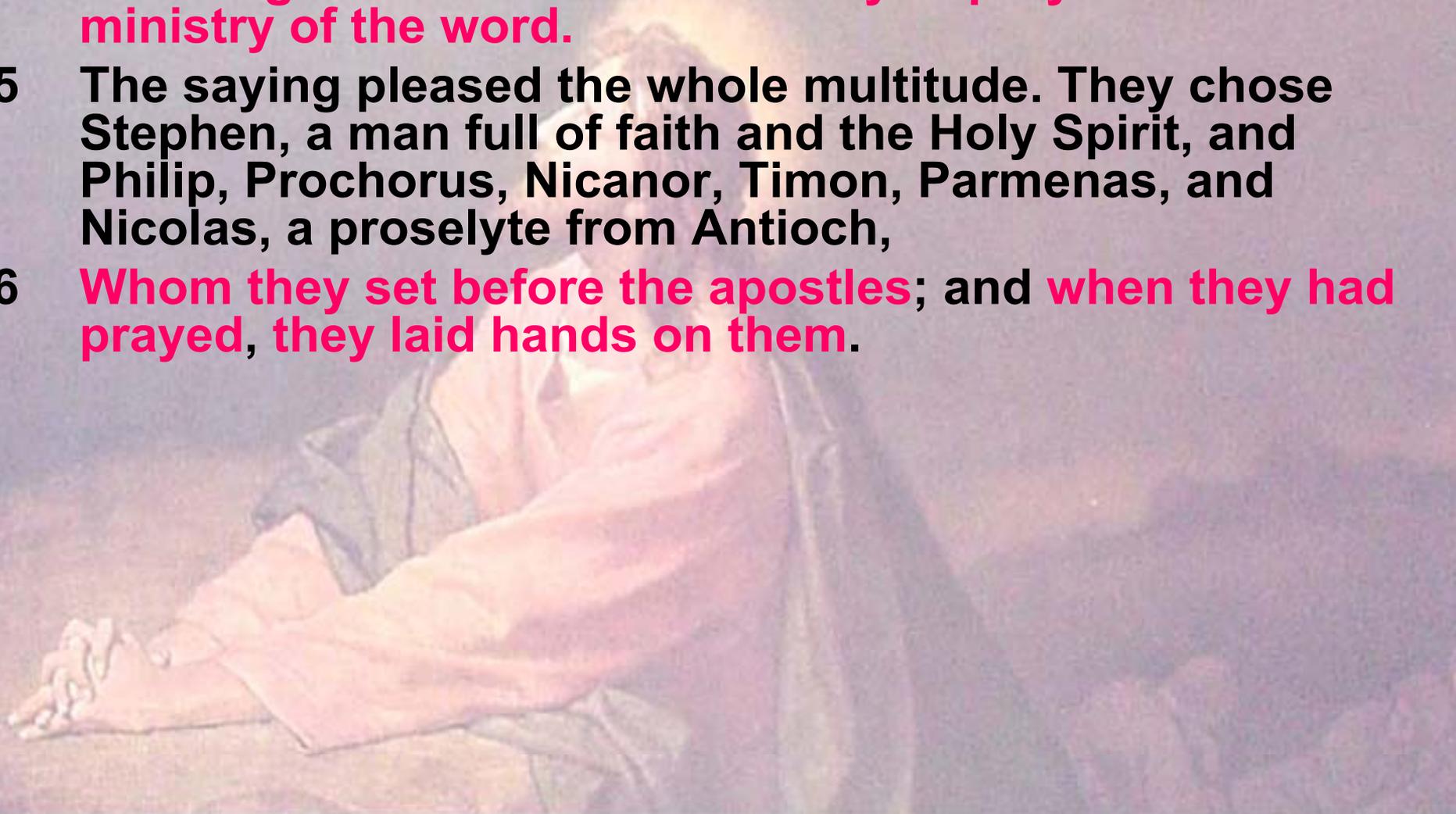
- 1 Peter and John went up together to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour.



# HOW OFTEN DID THE APOSTLES PRAY?

## ACTS 6:4-6

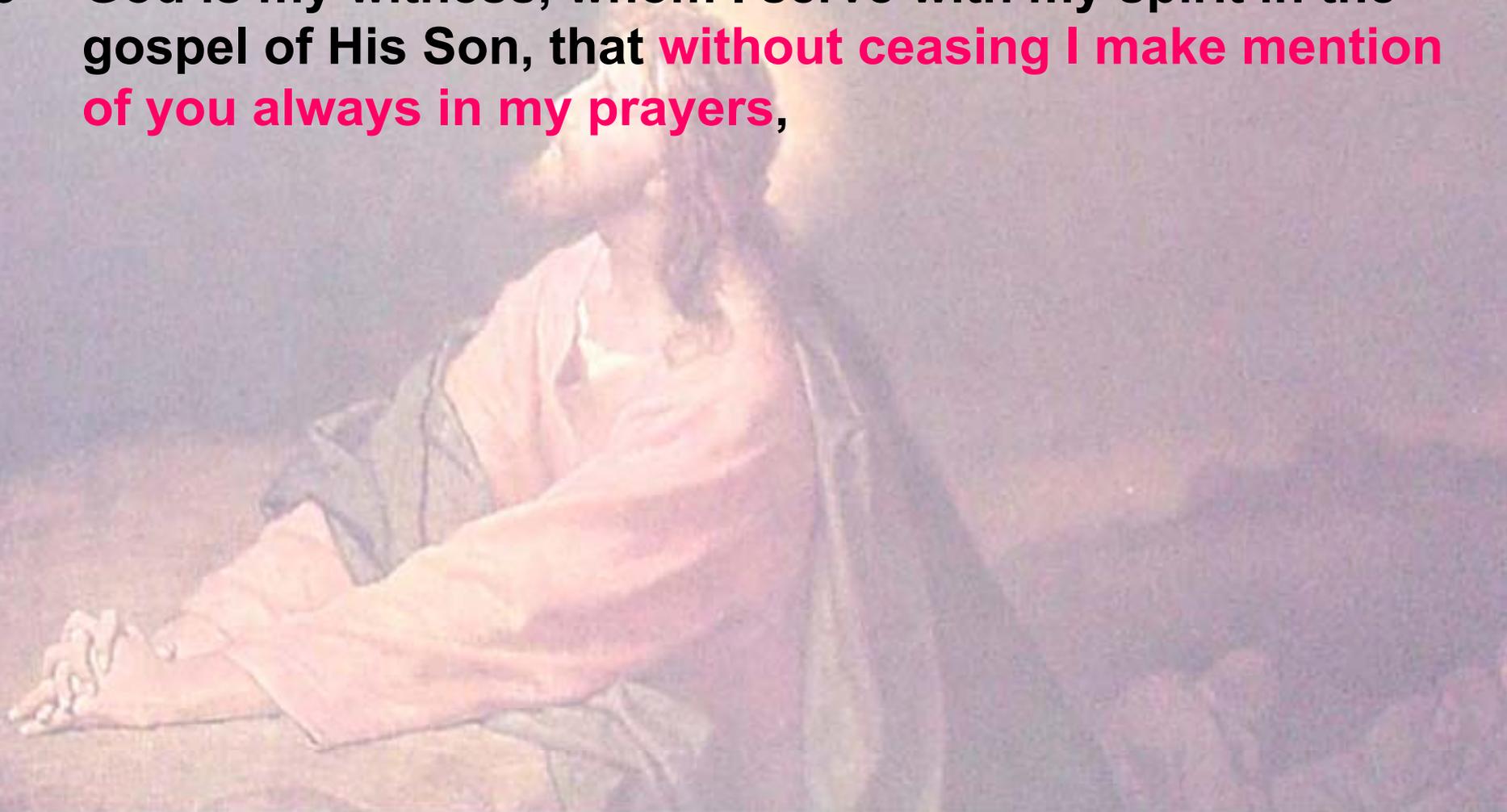
- 4 **We will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word.**
- 5 **The saying pleased the whole multitude. They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, and Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas, a proselyte from Antioch,**
- 6 **Whom they set before the apostles; and when they had prayed, they laid hands on them.**



# HOW OFTEN DID PAUL PRAY?

## ROMANS 1:9

- 9 God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of His Son, that **without ceasing I make mention of you always in my prayers,**



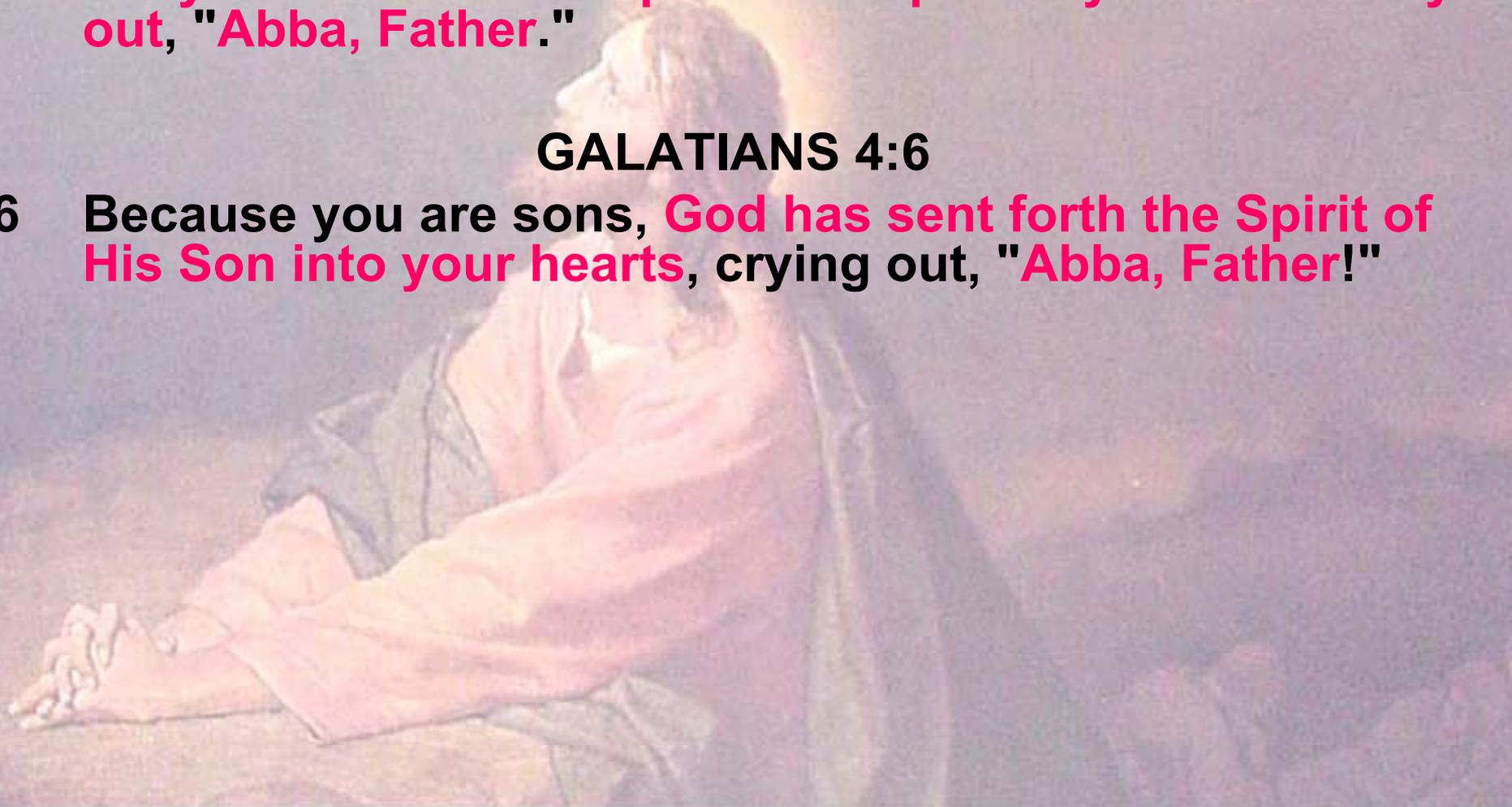
# HOW CAN YOU REFER TO GOD?

## ROMANS 8:15

15 You did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but **you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father."**

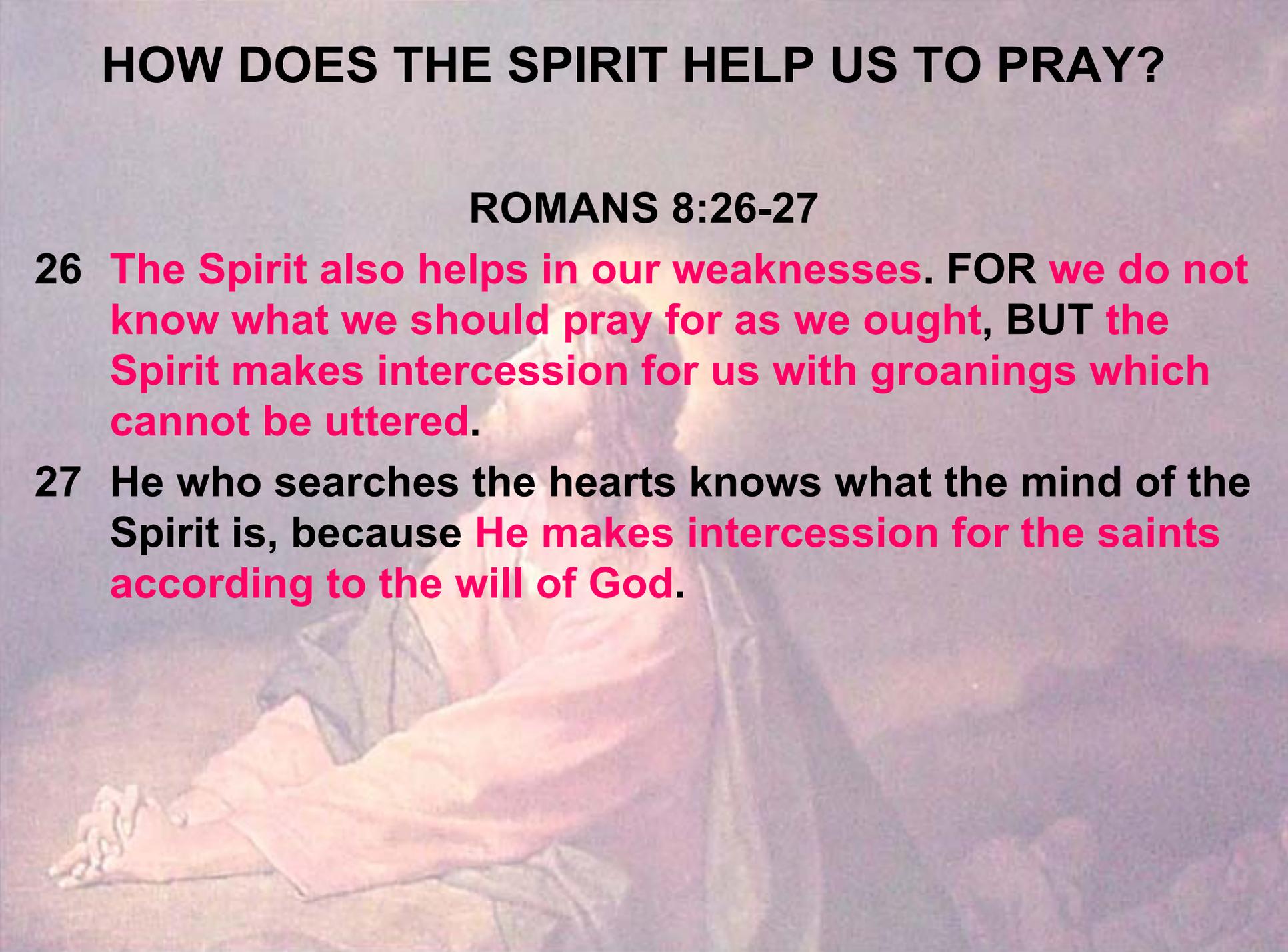
## GALATIANS 4:6

6 Because you are sons, **God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!"**



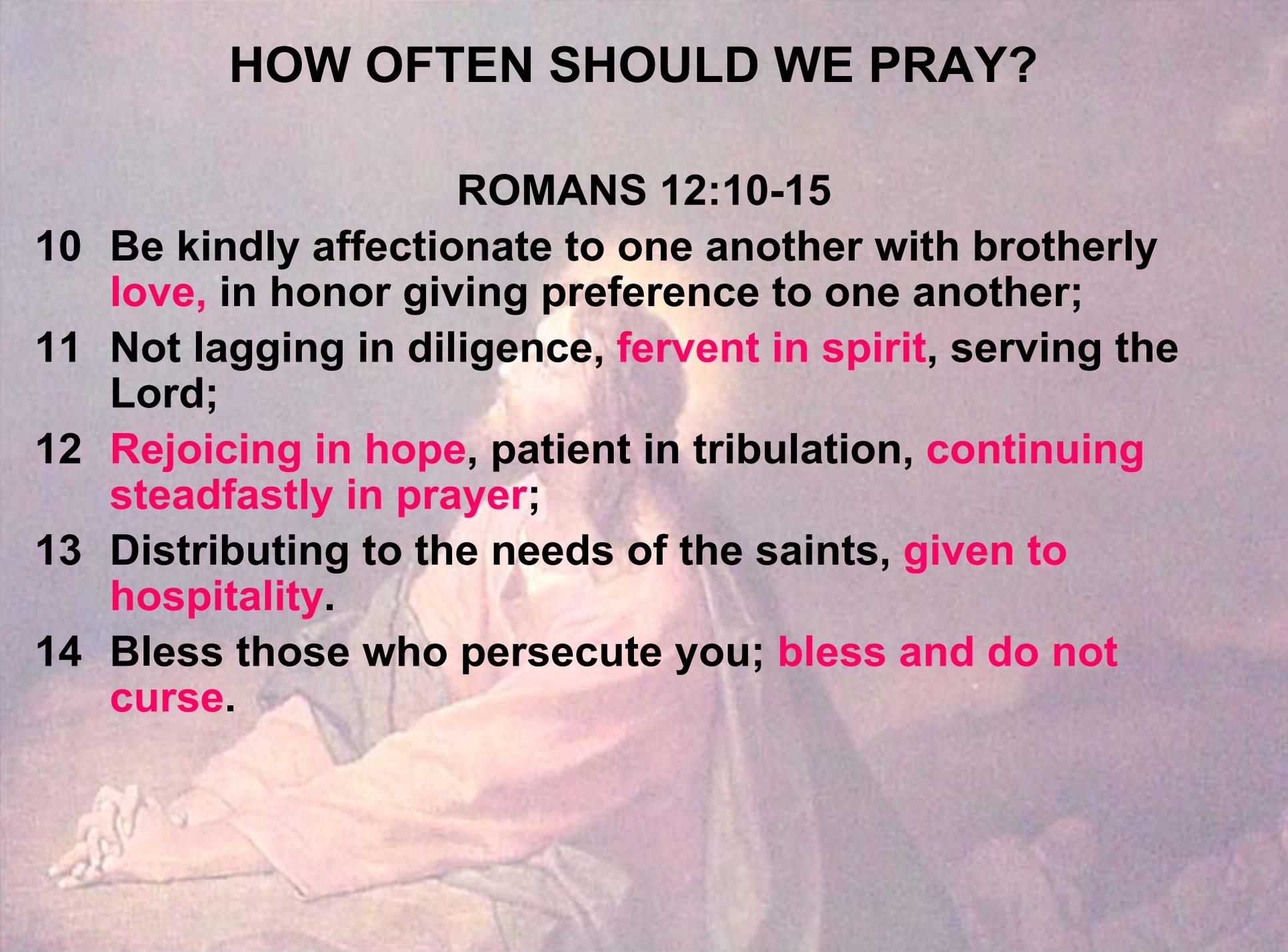
# HOW DOES THE SPIRIT HELP US TO PRAY?

## ROMANS 8:26-27

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- 26 **The Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. FOR we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, BUT the Spirit makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.**
- 27 **He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.**

# HOW OFTEN SHOULD WE PRAY?

## ROMANS 12:10-15

- 10 Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly **love**, in honor giving preference to one another;
  - 11 Not lagging in diligence, **fervent in spirit**, serving the Lord;
  - 12 **Rejoicing in hope**, patient in tribulation, **continuing steadfastly in prayer**;
  - 13 Distributing to the needs of the saints, **given to hospitality**.
  - 14 Bless those who persecute you; **bless and do not curse**.
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# HOW SHOULD WE PRAY?

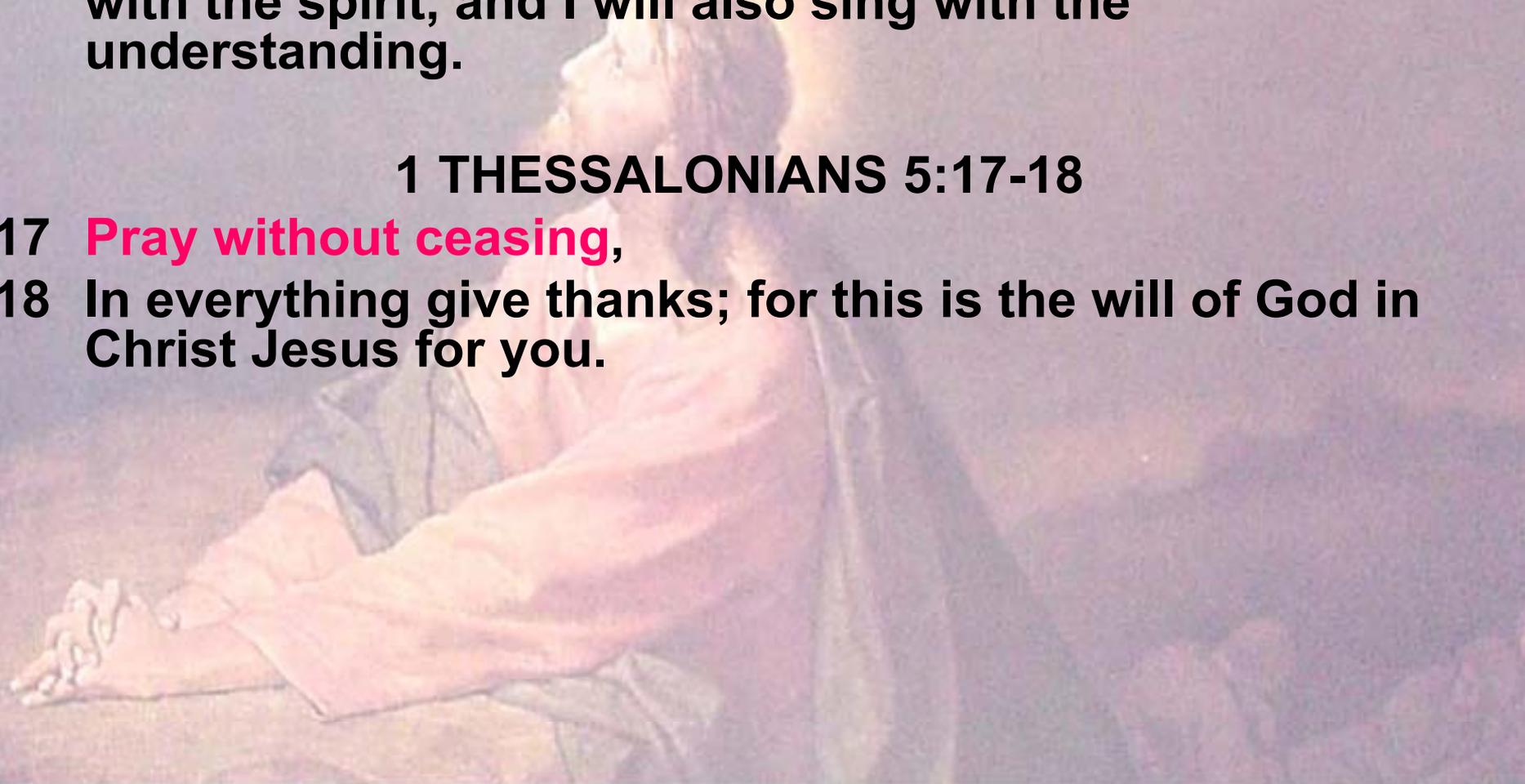
## 1 CORINTHIANS 14:15

15 What is the conclusion then? **I will pray with the spirit,** and **I will also pray with the understanding.** I will sing with the spirit, and I will also sing with the understanding.

## 1 THESSALONIANS 5:17-18

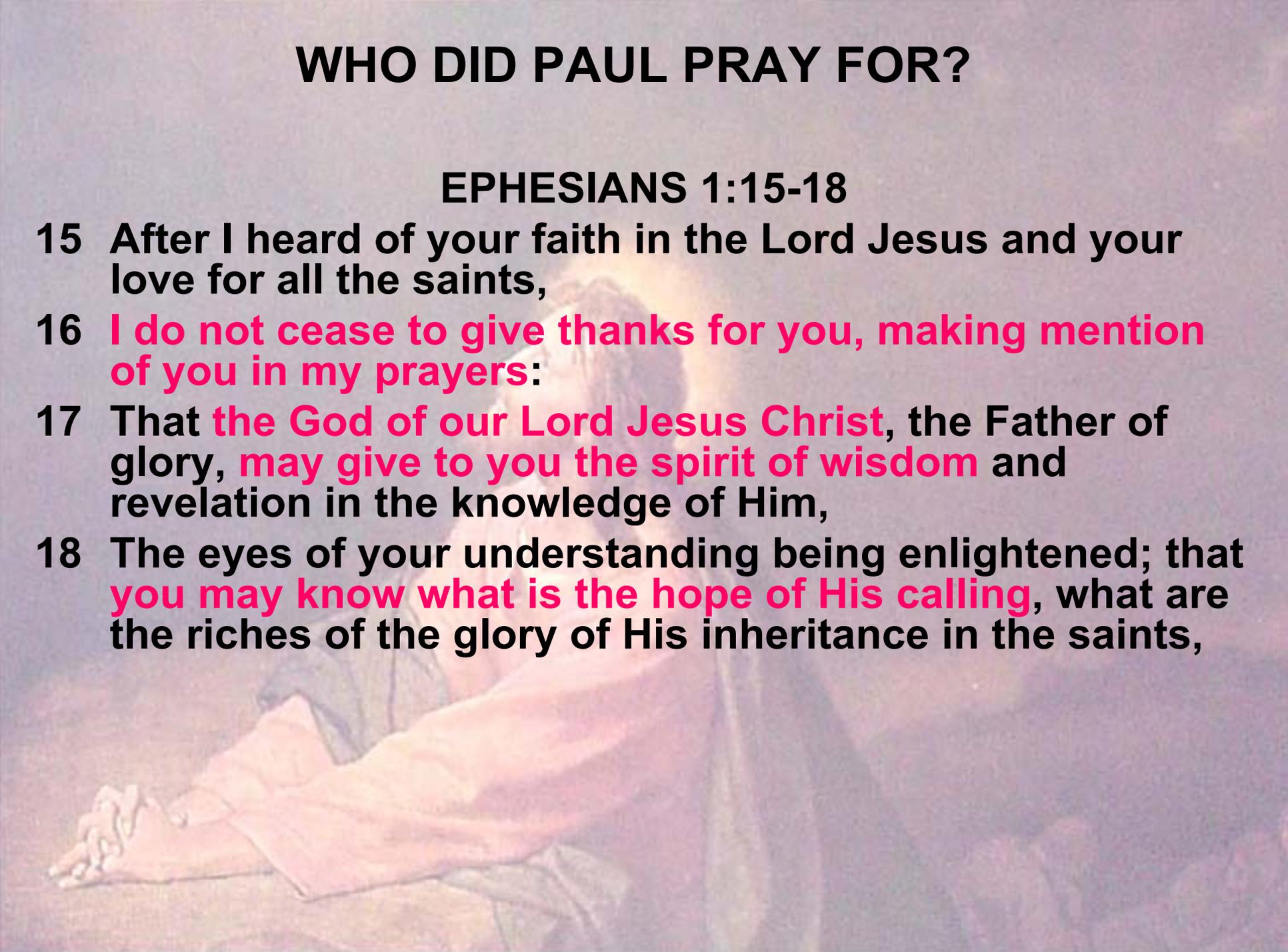
17 **Pray without ceasing,**

18 In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.



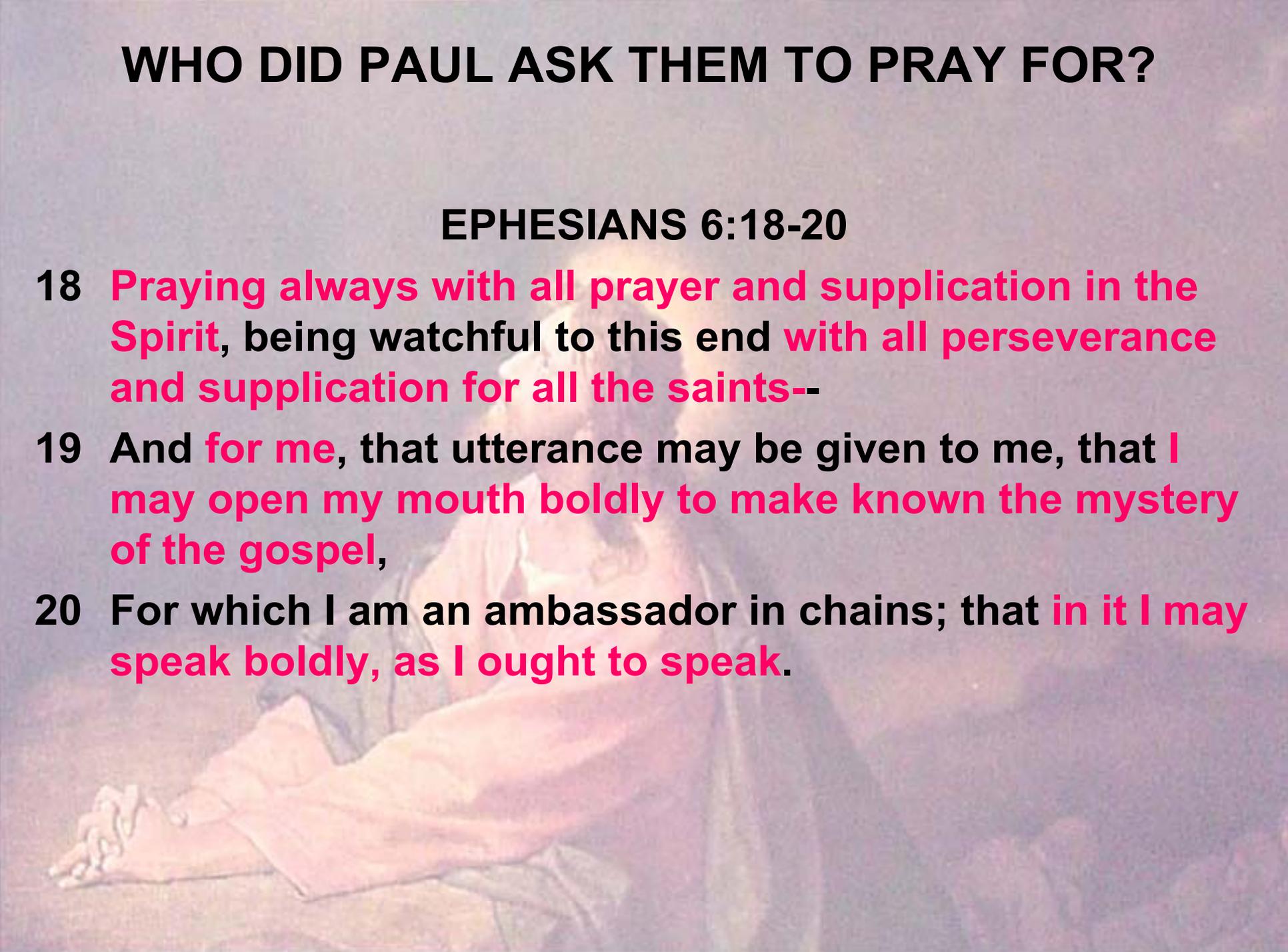
# WHO DID PAUL PRAY FOR?

## EPHESIANS 1:15-18

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- 15 After I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints,
- 16 I do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers:
- 17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him,
- 18 The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints,

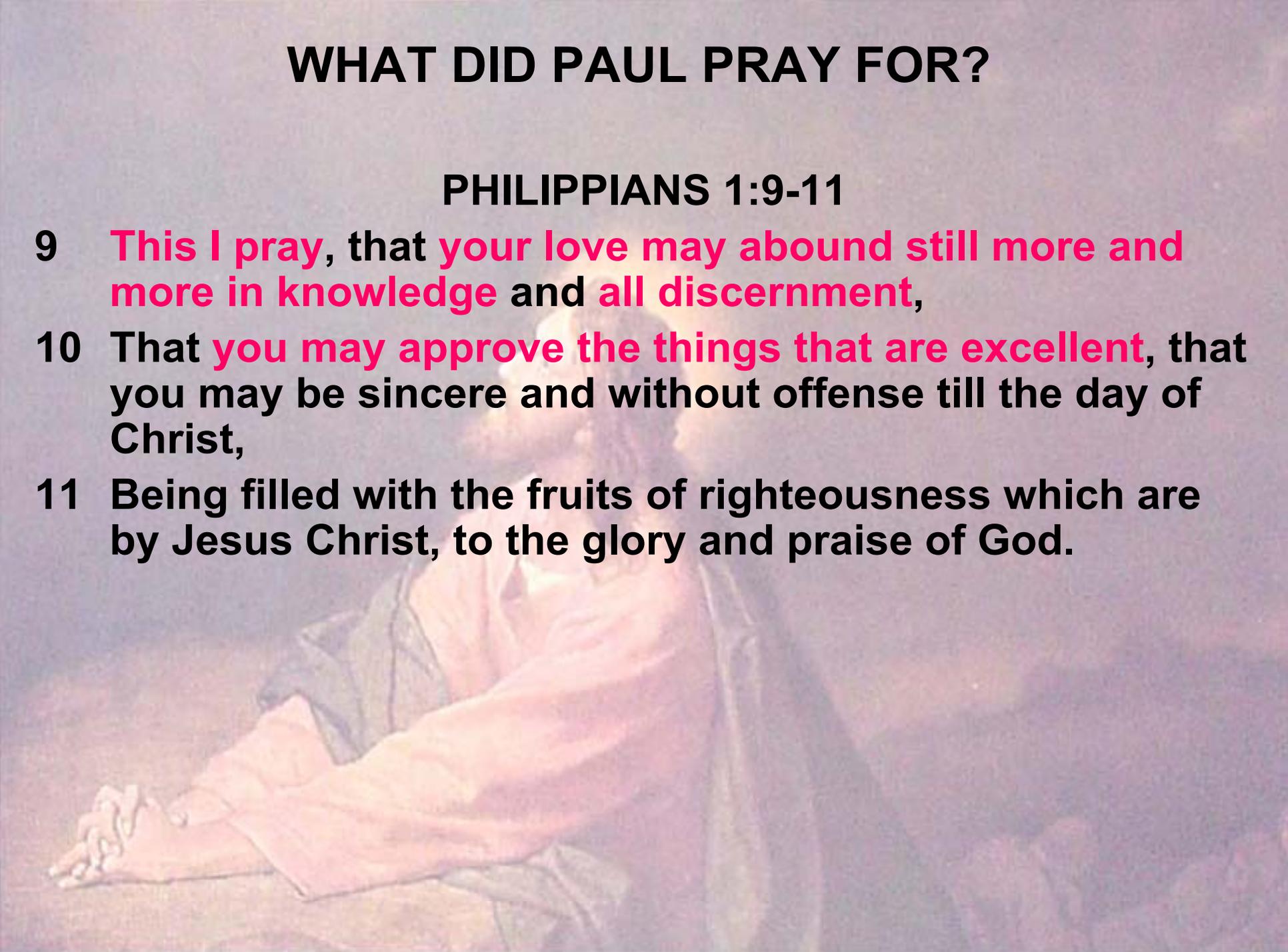
# WHO DID PAUL ASK THEM TO PRAY FOR?

## EPHESIANS 6:18-20

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- 18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints--
- 19 And for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel,
- 20 For which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

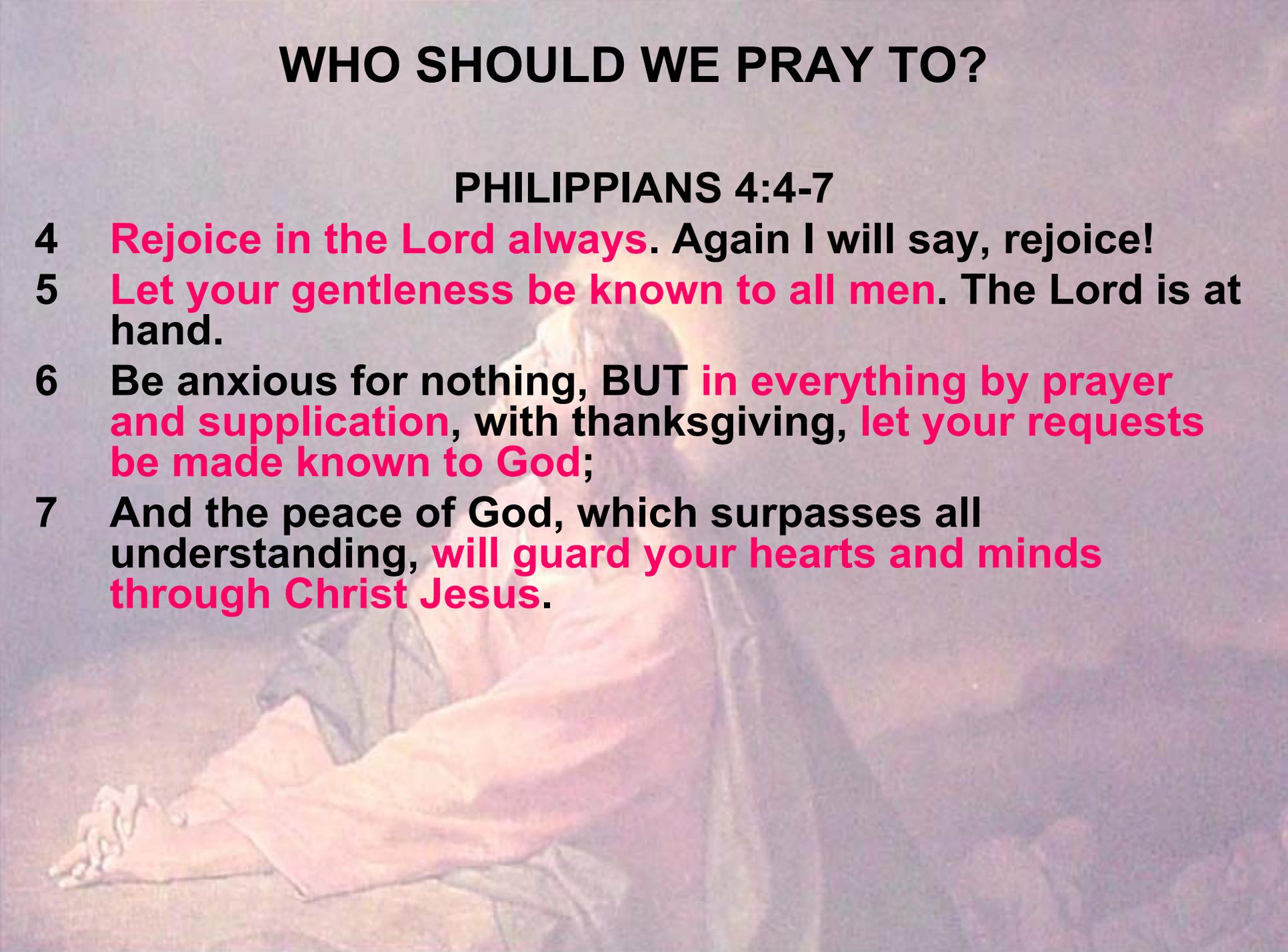
# WHAT DID PAUL PRAY FOR?

## PHILIPPIANS 1:9-11

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- 9 **This I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment,**
  - 10 **That you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ,**
  - 11 **Being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.**

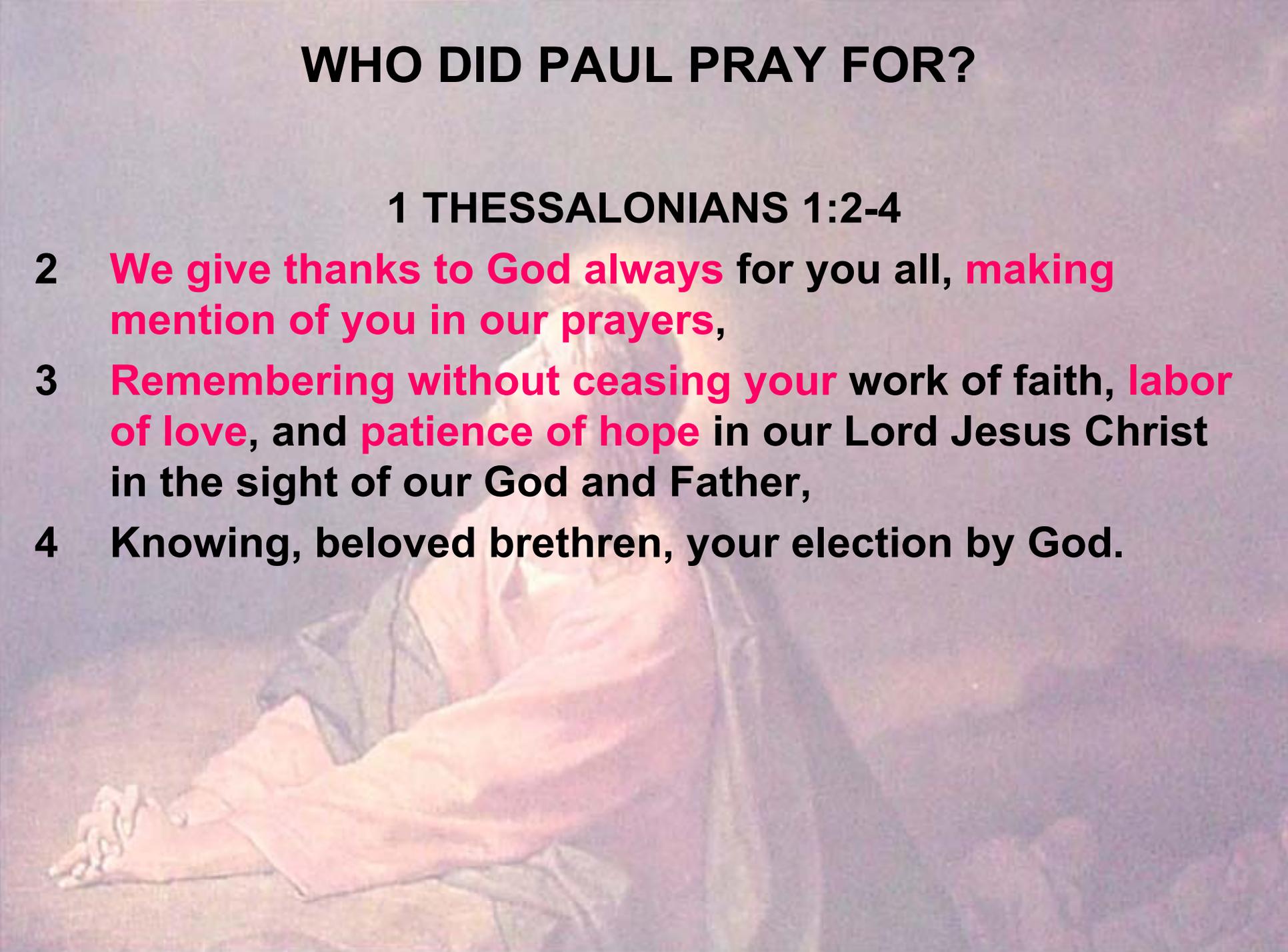
# WHO SHOULD WE PRAY TO?

## PHILIPPIANS 4:4-7

- 4 **Rejoice in the Lord always.** Again I will say, rejoice!
  - 5 **Let your gentleness be known to all men.** The Lord is at hand.
  - 6 **Be anxious for nothing, BUT in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;**
  - 7 **And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.**
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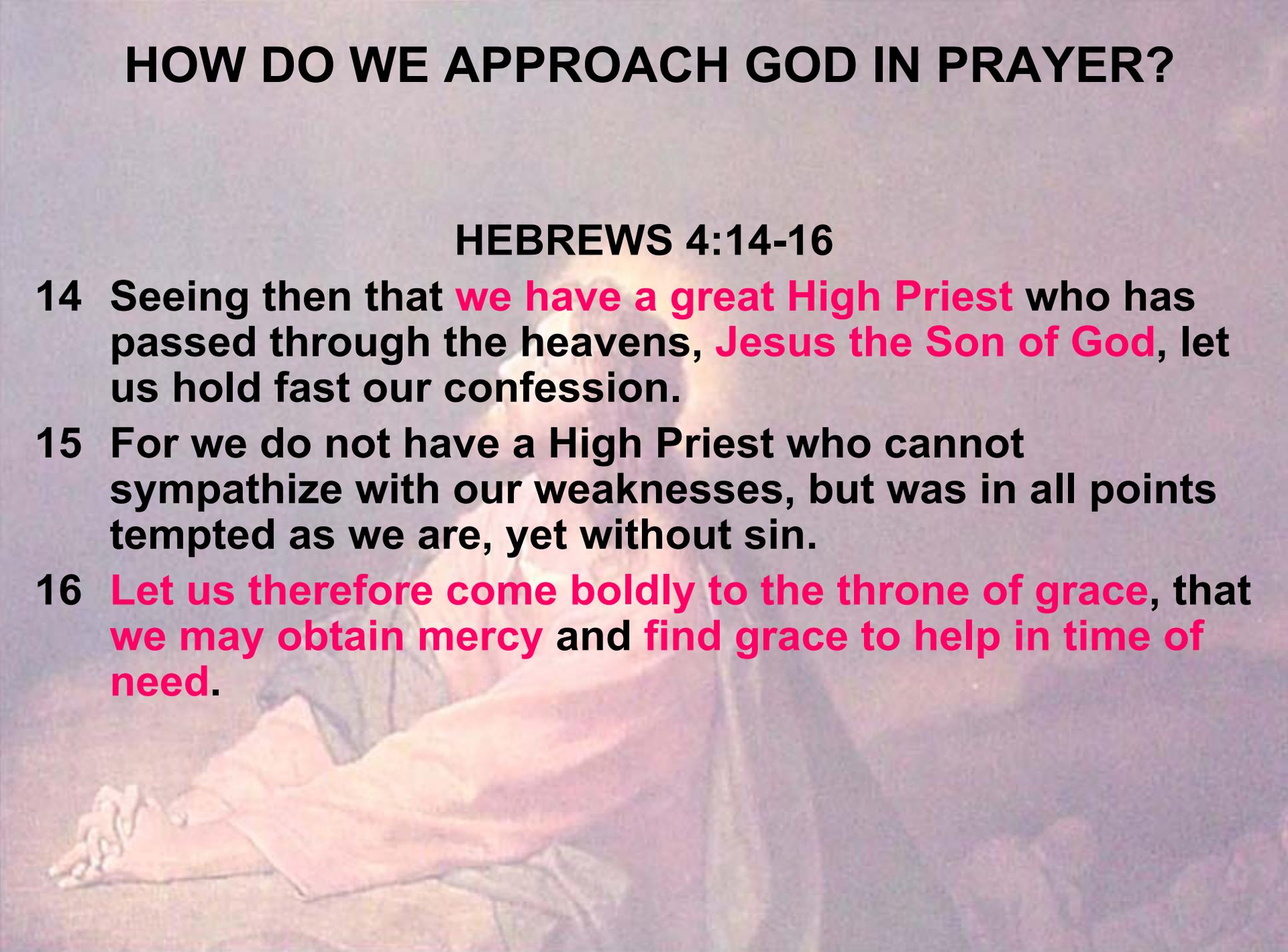
# WHO DID PAUL PRAY FOR?

## 1 THESSALONIANS 1:2-4

- 2 **We give thanks to God always** for you all, **making mention of you in our prayers,**
  - 3 **Remembering without ceasing your** work of faith, **labor of love,** and **patience of hope** in our Lord Jesus Christ in the sight of our God and Father,
  - 4 **Knowing, beloved brethren, your election by God.**
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# HOW DO WE APPROACH GOD IN PRAYER?

## HEBREWS 4:14-16

- 14 Seeing then that **we have a great High Priest** who has passed through the heavens, **Jesus the Son of God**, let us hold fast our confession.
  - 15 For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.
  - 16 **Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.**
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# HOW DO WE APPROACH GOD IN PRAYER?

## HEBREWS 10:19-22

- 19 Therefore, brethren, **having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus,**
- 20 **By a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh,**
- 21 **And having a High Priest over the house of God,**
- 22 **Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith,** having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.



