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ANNOUNCING THE  
END

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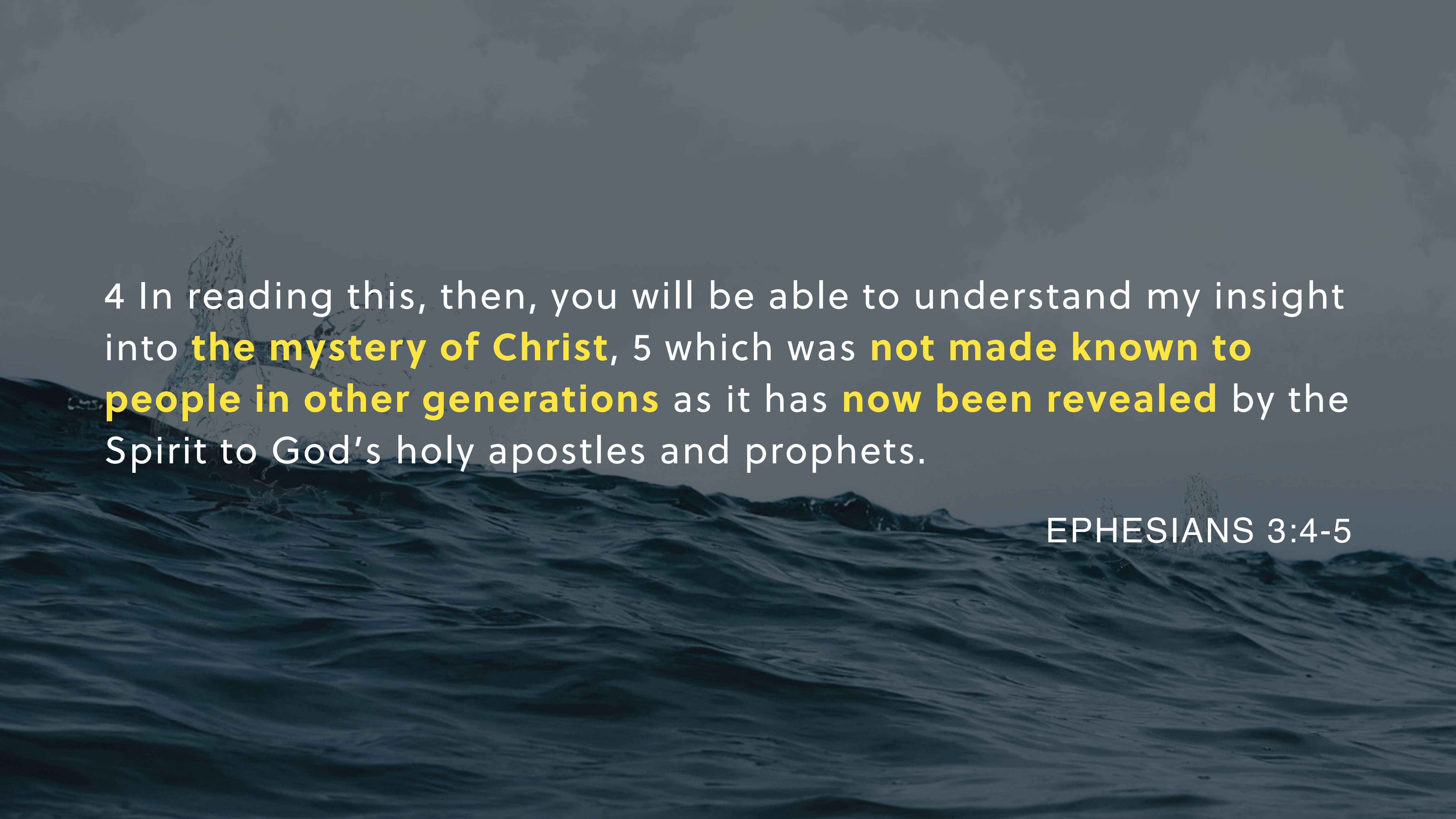




I make known **the end from the beginning**, from ancient times,  
what is still to come. I say, '**My purpose will stand**, and I will do  
all that I please.'

ISAIAH 46:10

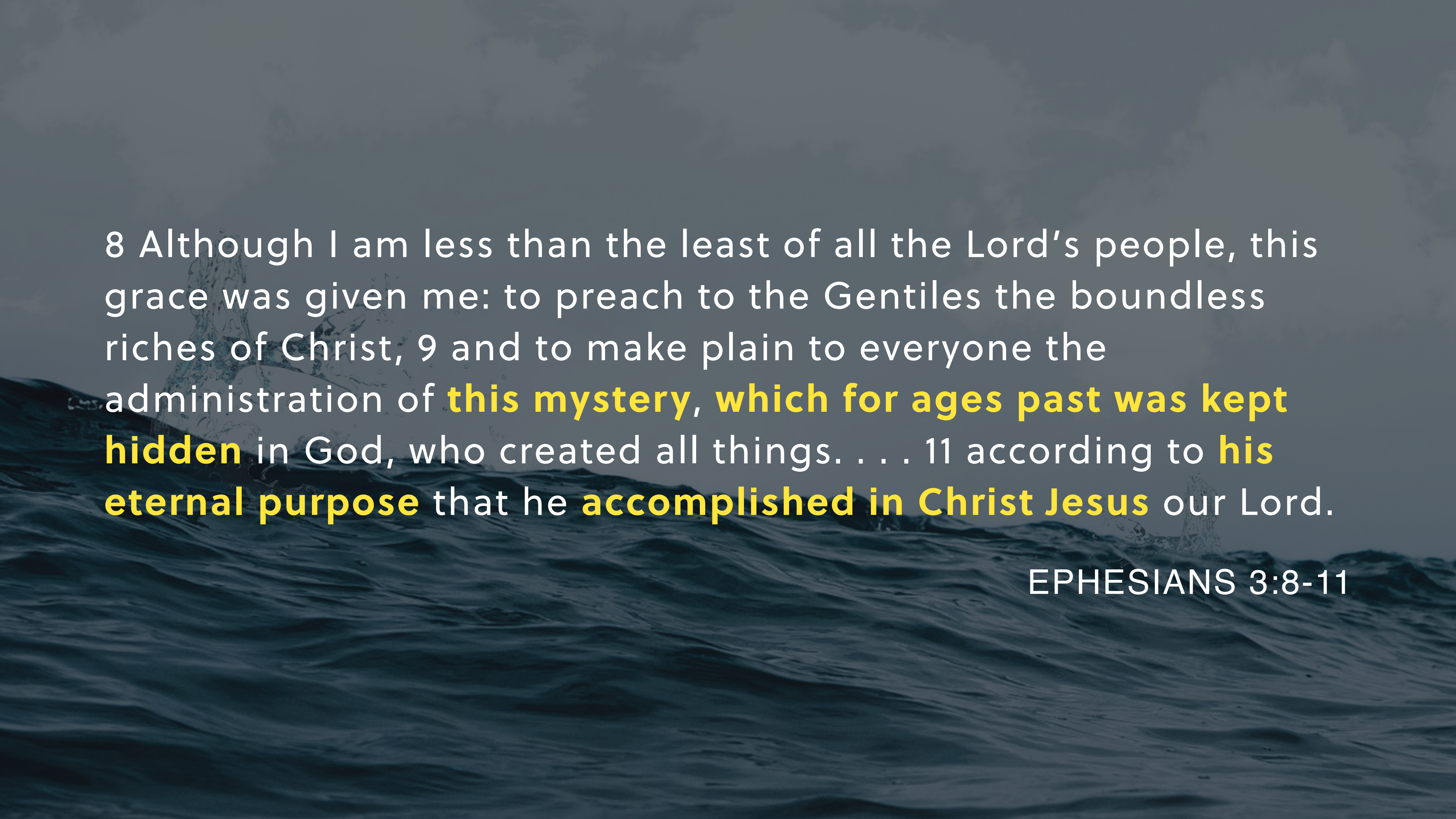




4 In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into **the mystery of Christ**, 5 which was **not made known to people in other generations** as it has **now been revealed** by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets.

EPHESIANS 3:4-5





8 Although I am less than the least of all the Lord's people, this grace was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the boundless riches of Christ, 9 and to make plain to everyone the administration of **this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden** in God, who created all things. . . . 11 according to **his eternal purpose** that he **accomplished in Christ Jesus** our Lord.

EPHESIANS 3:8-11





CALLING THINGS  
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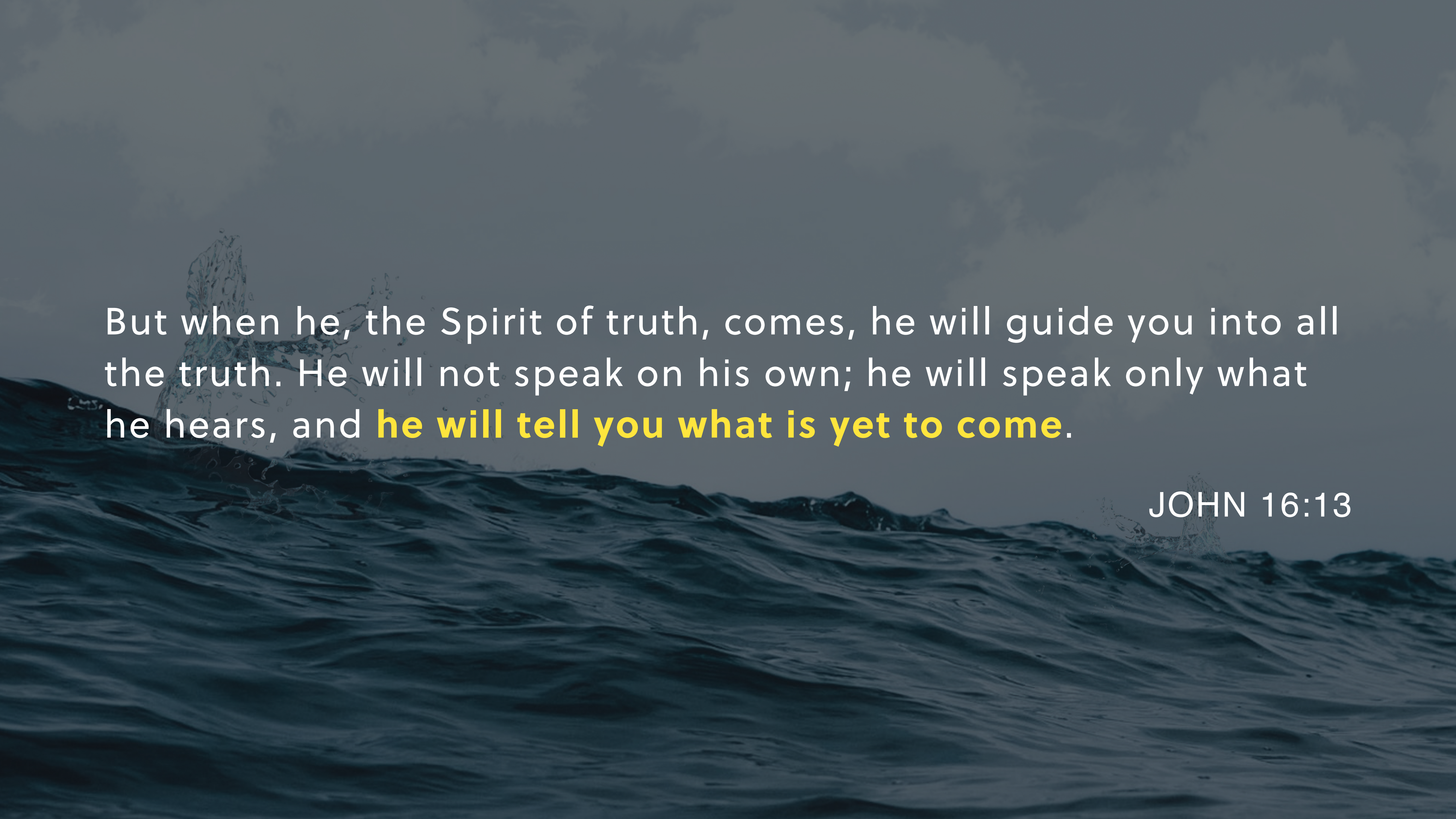


17 (as it is written, "I have made you a father of many nations")  
in the presence of Him whom he believed—God, who gives life  
to the dead and **calls those things which do not exist as  
though they did;**

**[speaks of future events** with as **much certainty** as though they  
were **already past.** Living Bible]

ROMANS 4:17 NKJV





But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and **he will tell you what is yet to come.**

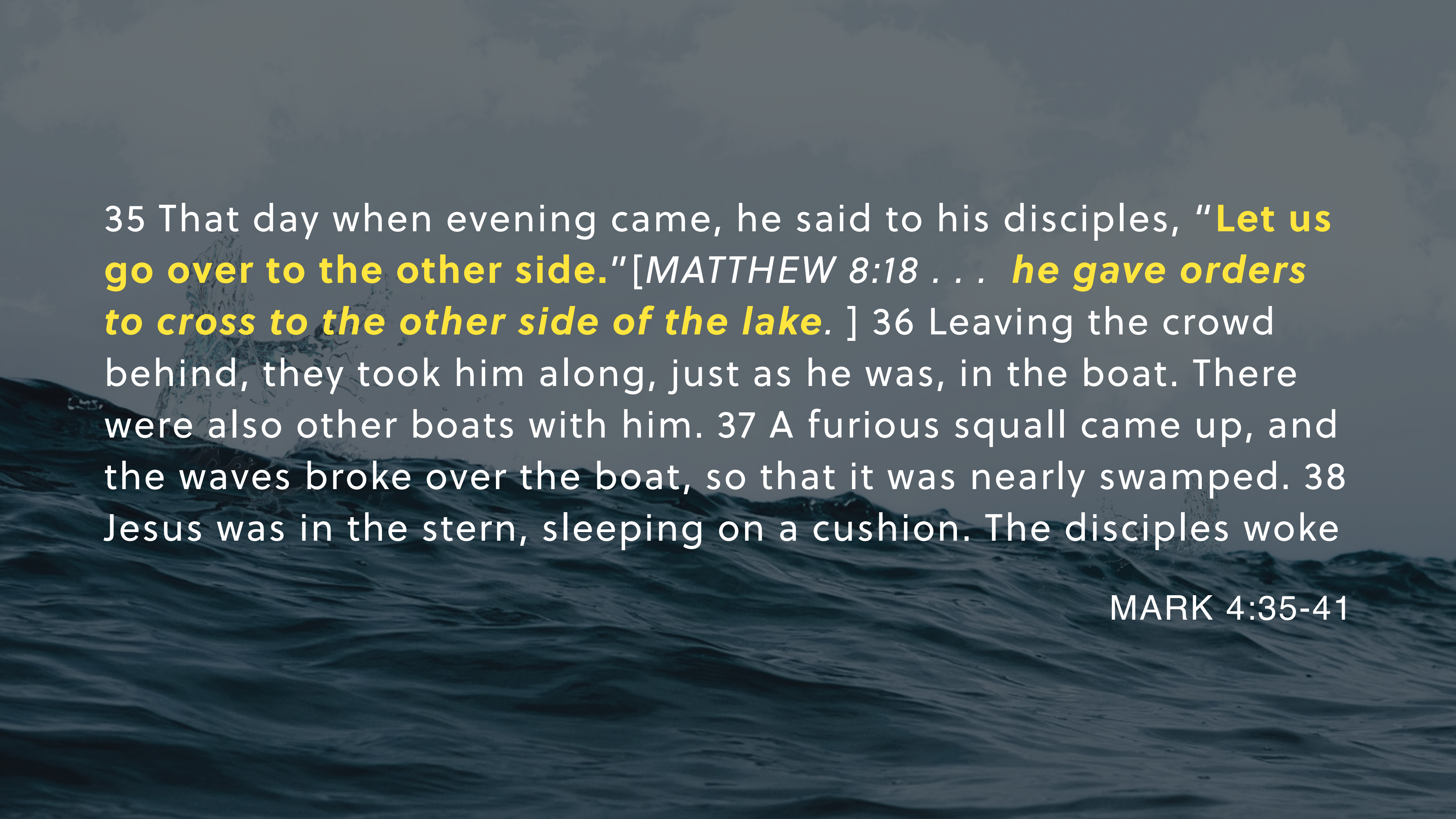
JOHN 16:13





LEARNING TO LEAN  
IN AND LISTEN





35 That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, "**Let us go over to the other side.**"[*MATTHEW 8:18 . . . he gave orders to cross to the other side of the lake.* ] 36 Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him. 37 A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. 38 Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke

MARK 4:35-41



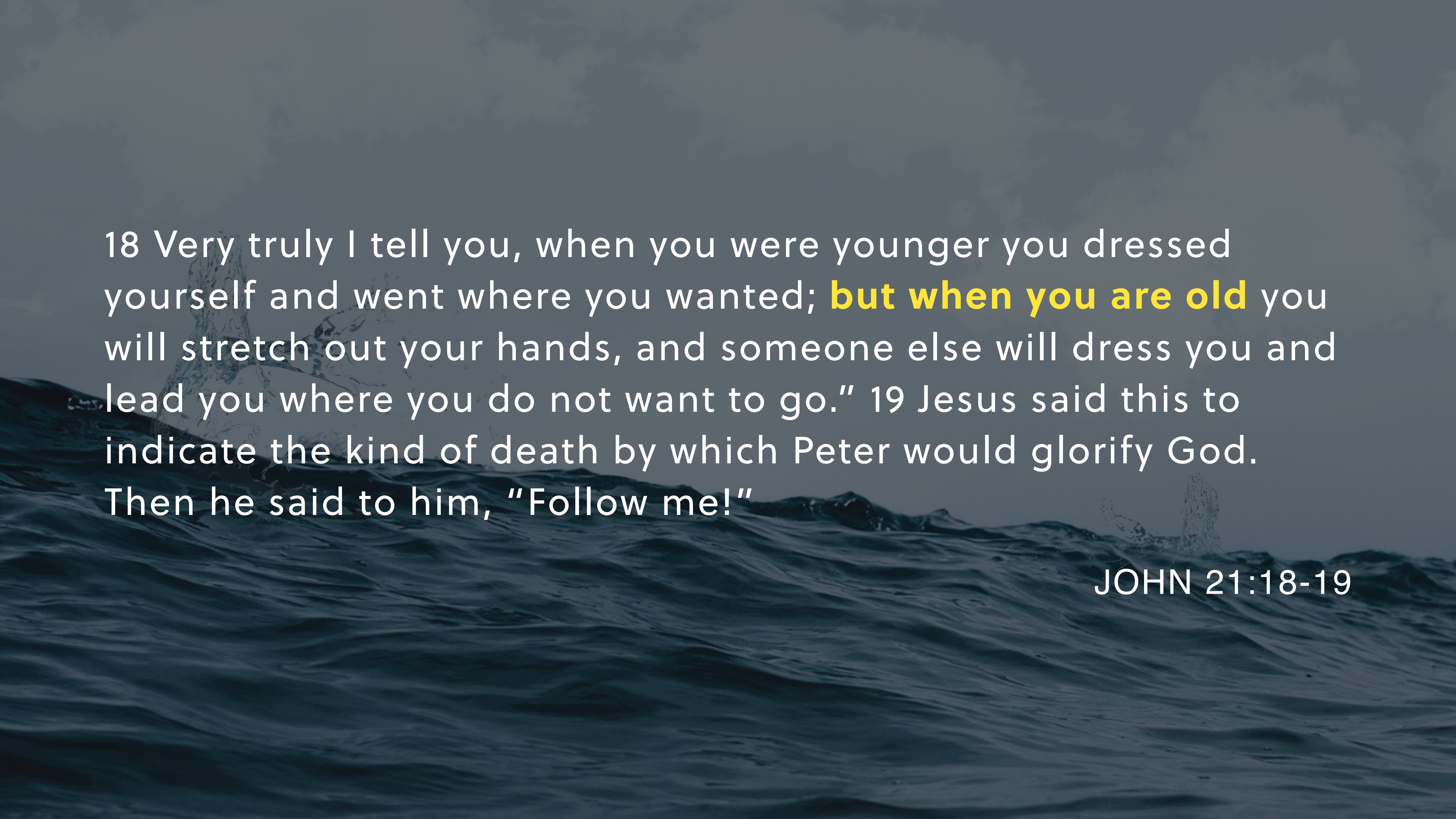


him and said to him, "**Teacher, don't you care if we drown?**"

39 He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm. 40 He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?" 41 They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

MARK 4:35-41





18 Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; **but when you are old** you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." 19 Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, "Follow me!"

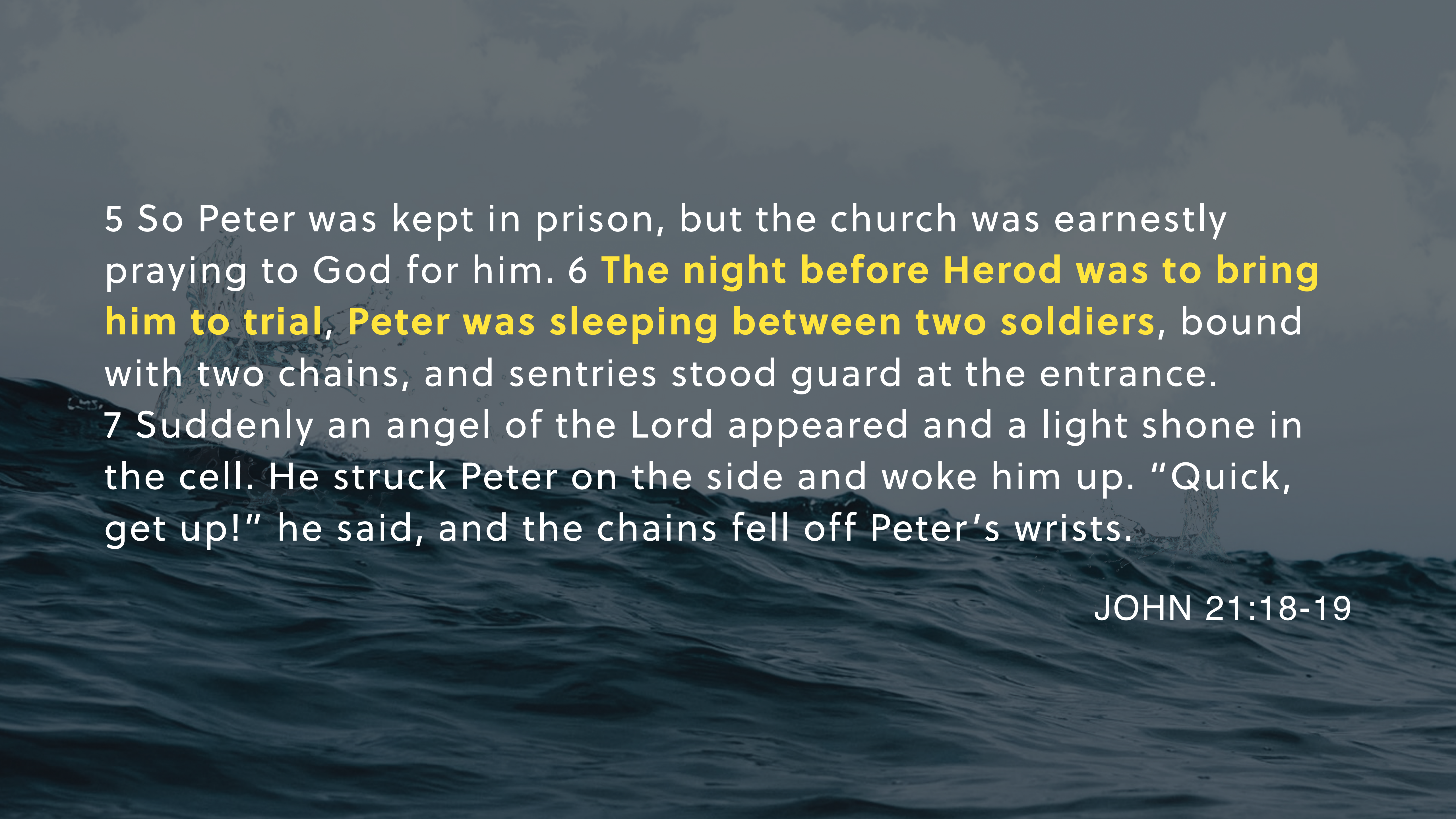
JOHN 21:18-19



It was about this time that King Herod arrested some who belonged to the church, intending to persecute them. 2 He had James, the brother of John, put to death with the sword. 3 When he saw that this met with approval among the Jews, he proceeded to seize Peter also. This happened during the Festival of Unleavened Bread. 4 After arresting him, he put him in prison, handing him over to be guarded by four squads of four soldiers each. Herod intended to bring him out for public trial after the Passover.

JOHN 21:18-19





5 So Peter was kept in prison, but the church was earnestly praying to God for him. 6 **The night before Herod was to bring him to trial, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers,** bound with two chains, and sentries stood guard at the entrance. 7 Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him up. "Quick, get up!" he said, and the chains fell off Peter's wrists.

JOHN 21:18-19



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