

# PSALMS

*Tones of life*





# PSALM 10



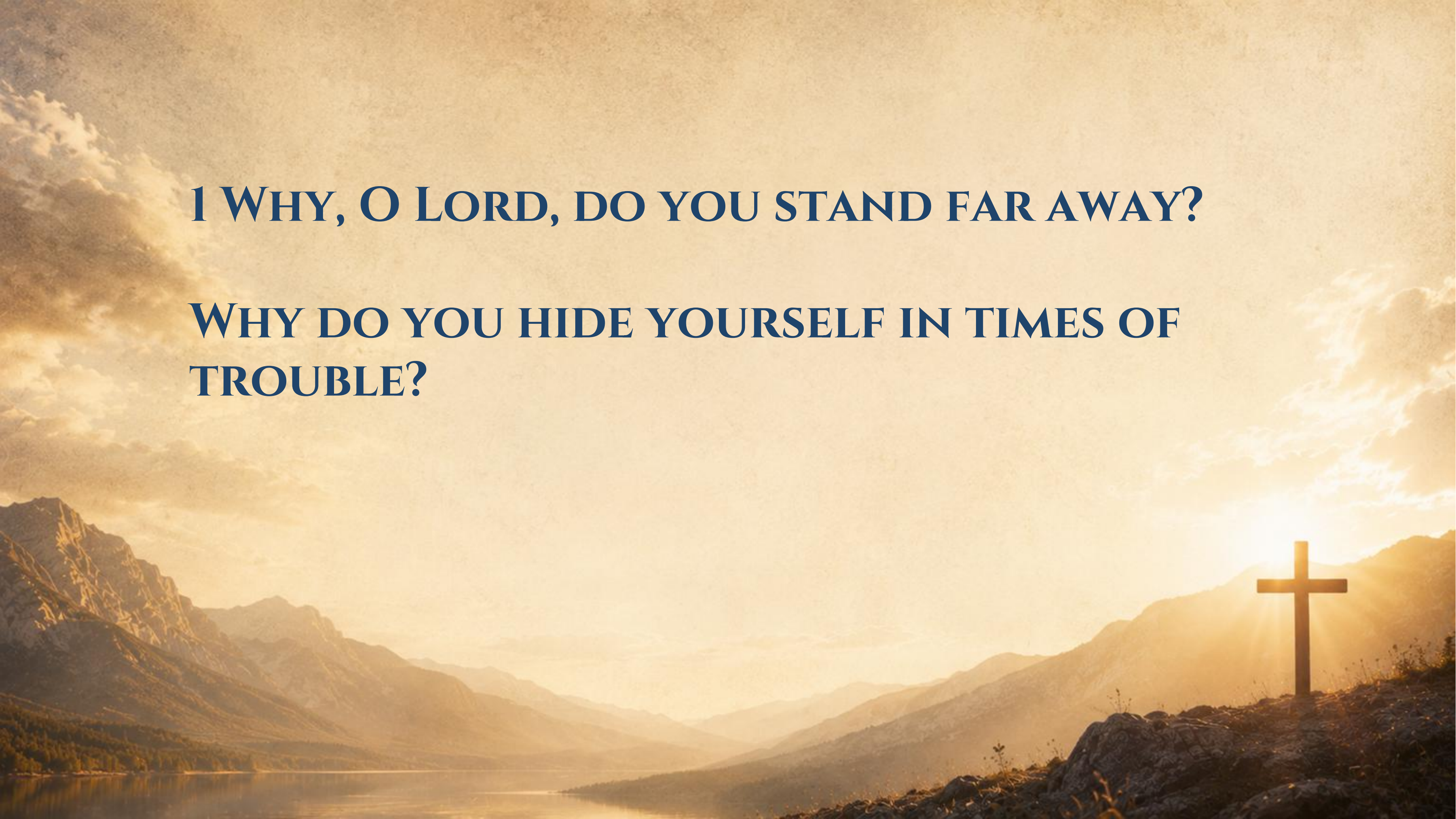
*Terror No More*





**1 WHY, O LORD, DO YOU STAND FAR AWAY?**

**WHY DO YOU HIDE YOURSELF IN TIMES OF  
TROUBLE?**





**2 IN ARROGANCE THE WICKED HOTLY  
PURSUE THE POOR; LET THEM BE CAUGHT IN  
THE SCHEMES THAT THEY HAVE DEVISED.**

**3 FOR THE WICKED BOASTS OF THE DESIRES  
OF HIS SOUL, AND THE ONE GREEDY FOR  
GAIN CURSES AND RENOUNCES THE LORD.**





**4 IN THE PRIDE OF HIS FACE THE WICKED  
DOES NOT SEEK HIM; ALL HIS THOUGHTS ARE,  
“THERE IS NO GOD.”**

**5 HIS WAYS PROSPER AT ALL TIMES; YOUR  
JUDGMENTS ARE ON HIGH, OUT OF HIS SIGHT;  
AS FOR ALL HIS FOES, HE PUFFS AT THEM.**



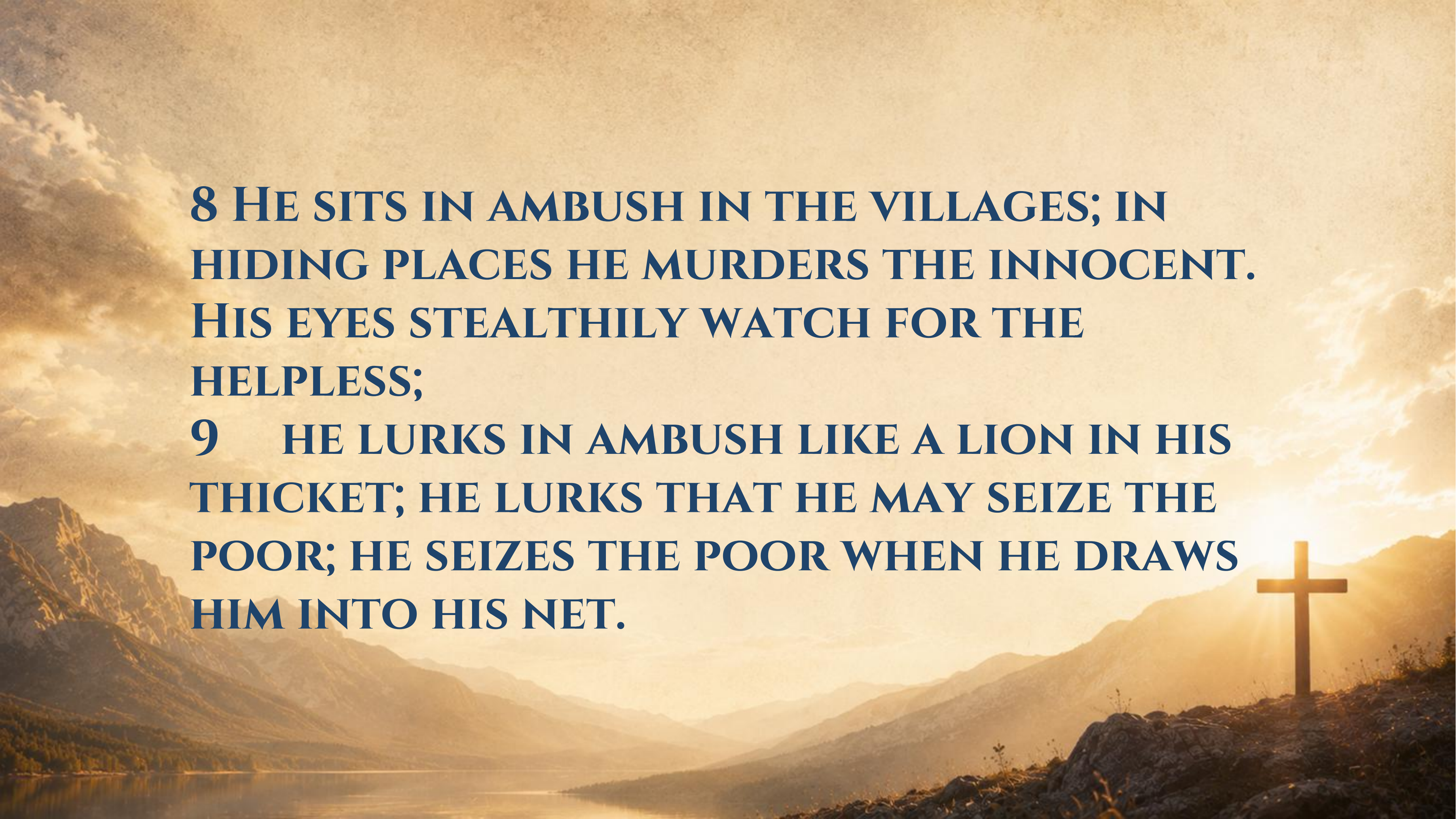


**6 HE SAYS IN HIS HEART, “I SHALL NOT BE  
MOVED; THROUGHOUT ALL GENERATIONS I  
SHALL NOT MEET ADVERSITY.”**

**7 HIS MOUTH IS FILLED WITH CURSING AND  
DECEIT AND OPPRESSION; UNDER HIS  
TONGUE ARE MISCHIEF AND INIQUITY.**





The background of the image is a scenic landscape during the 'golden hour' of sunset or sunrise. The sky is filled with soft, glowing clouds in shades of orange, yellow, and light blue. In the foreground, a dark, rocky hillside slopes upwards from the bottom right towards the center. Perched on the crest of this hill is a simple, dark wooden cross, which is silhouetted against the bright light of the setting or rising sun. The sun itself is a brilliant, circular orb partially obscured by the horizon, creating a strong lens flare effect that radiates across the sky. In the middle ground, a calm body of water, likely a lake, reflects the warm colors of the sky. Beyond the lake, a series of rolling mountains and valleys stretch into the distance, their peaks and ridges softened by atmospheric haze. The overall mood is one of solemnity and contemplation, which complements the serious and accusatory nature of the text overlaid on the image.

**8 HE SITS IN AMBUSH IN THE VILLAGES; IN  
HIDING PLACES HE MURDERS THE INNOCENT.  
HIS EYES STEALTHILY WATCH FOR THE  
HELPLESS;**

**9 HE LURKS IN AMBUSH LIKE A LION IN HIS  
THICKET; HE LURKS THAT HE MAY SEIZE THE  
POOR; HE SEIZES THE POOR WHEN HE DRAWS  
HIM INTO HIS NET.**



**10 THE HELPLESS ARE CRUSHED, SINK DOWN,  
AND FALL BY HIS MIGHT.**

**11 HE SAYS IN HIS HEART, “GOD HAS  
FORGOTTEN, HE HAS HIDDEN HIS FACE, HE  
WILL NEVER SEE IT.”**





**12 ARISE, O LORD; O GOD, LIFT UP YOUR  
HAND; FORGET NOT THE AFFLICTED.**

**13 WHY DOES THE WICKED RENOUNCE GOD  
AND SAY IN HIS HEART, “YOU WILL NOT CALL  
TO ACCOUNT”?**





**14 BUT YOU DO SEE, FOR YOU NOTE MISCHIEF  
AND VEXATION, THAT YOU MAY TAKE IT INTO  
YOUR HANDS; TO YOU THE HELPLESS  
COMMITTS HIMSELF; YOU HAVE BEEN THE  
HELPER OF THE FATHERLESS.**

**15 BREAK THE ARM OF THE WICKED AND  
EVILDOER; CALL HIS WICKEDNESS TO  
ACCOUNT TILL YOU FIND NONE.**



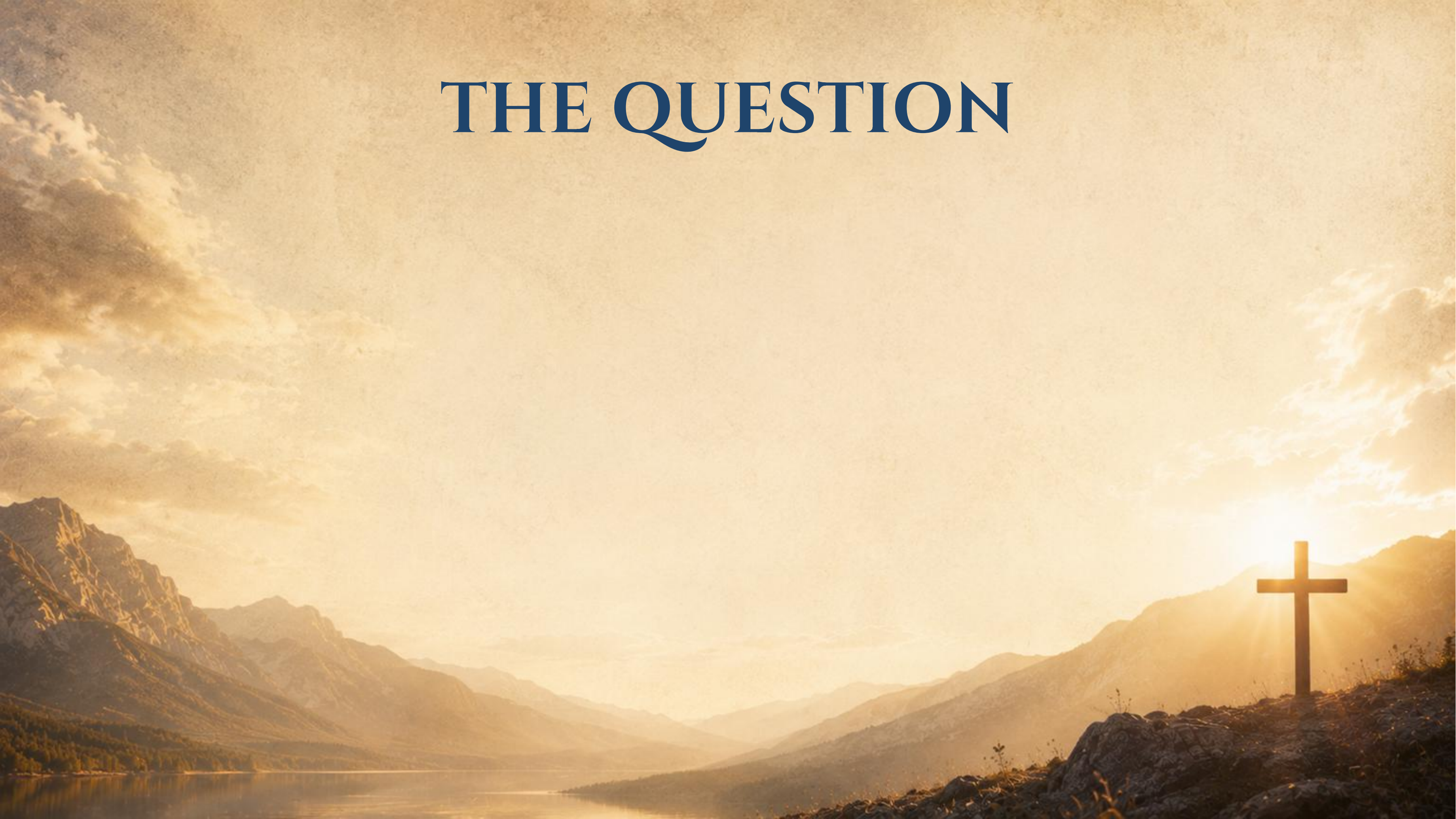


**16 THE LORD IS KING FOREVER AND EVER;  
THE NATIONS PERISH FROM HIS LAND.  
17 O LORD, YOU HEAR THE DESIRE OF THE  
AFFLICTED; YOU WILL STRENGTHEN THEIR  
HEART; YOU WILL INCLINE YOUR EAR  
18 TO DO JUSTICE TO THE FATHERLESS AND  
THE OPPRESSED, SO THAT MAN WHO IS OF  
THE EARTH MAY STRIKE TERROR NO MORE.**





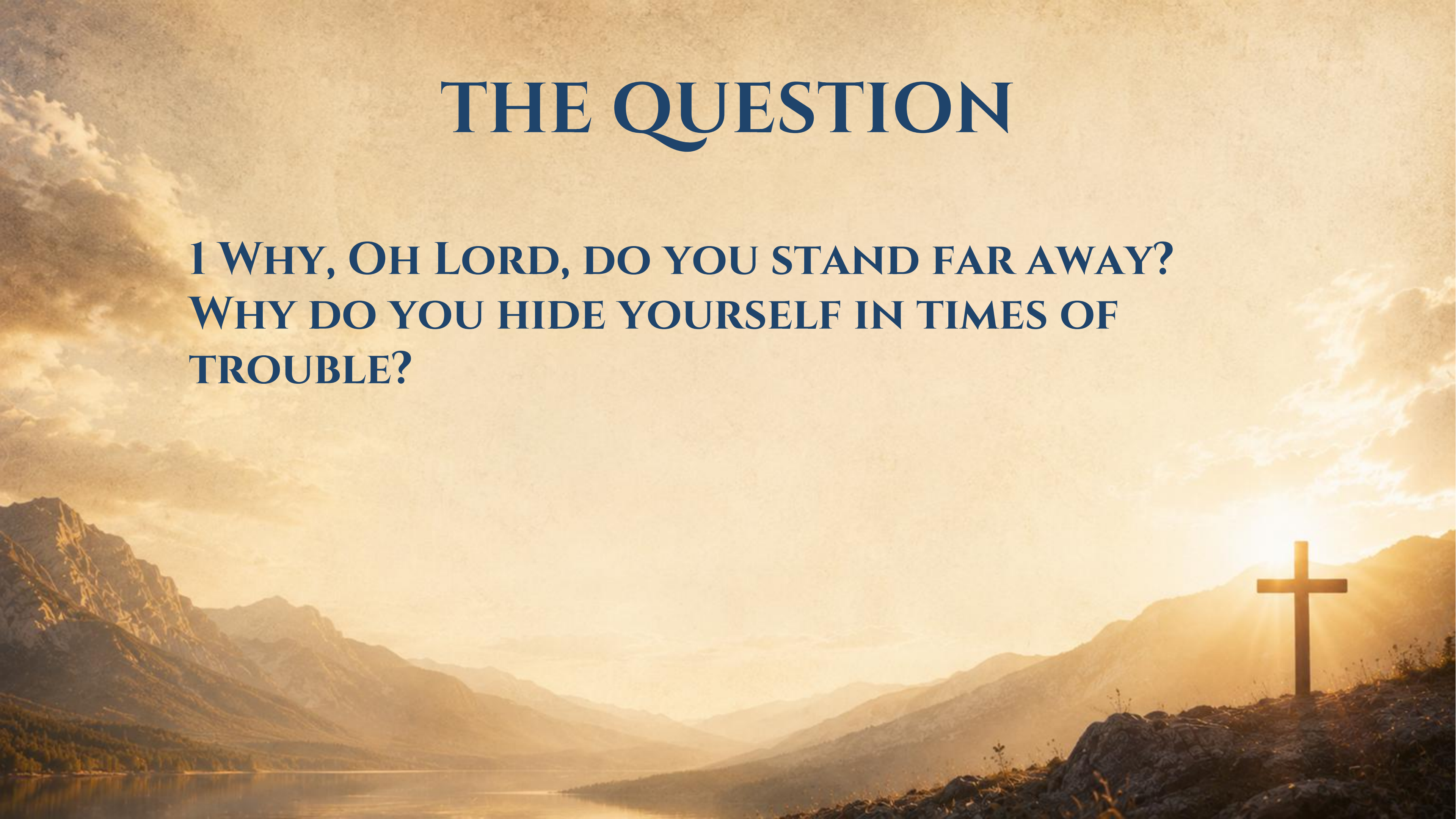
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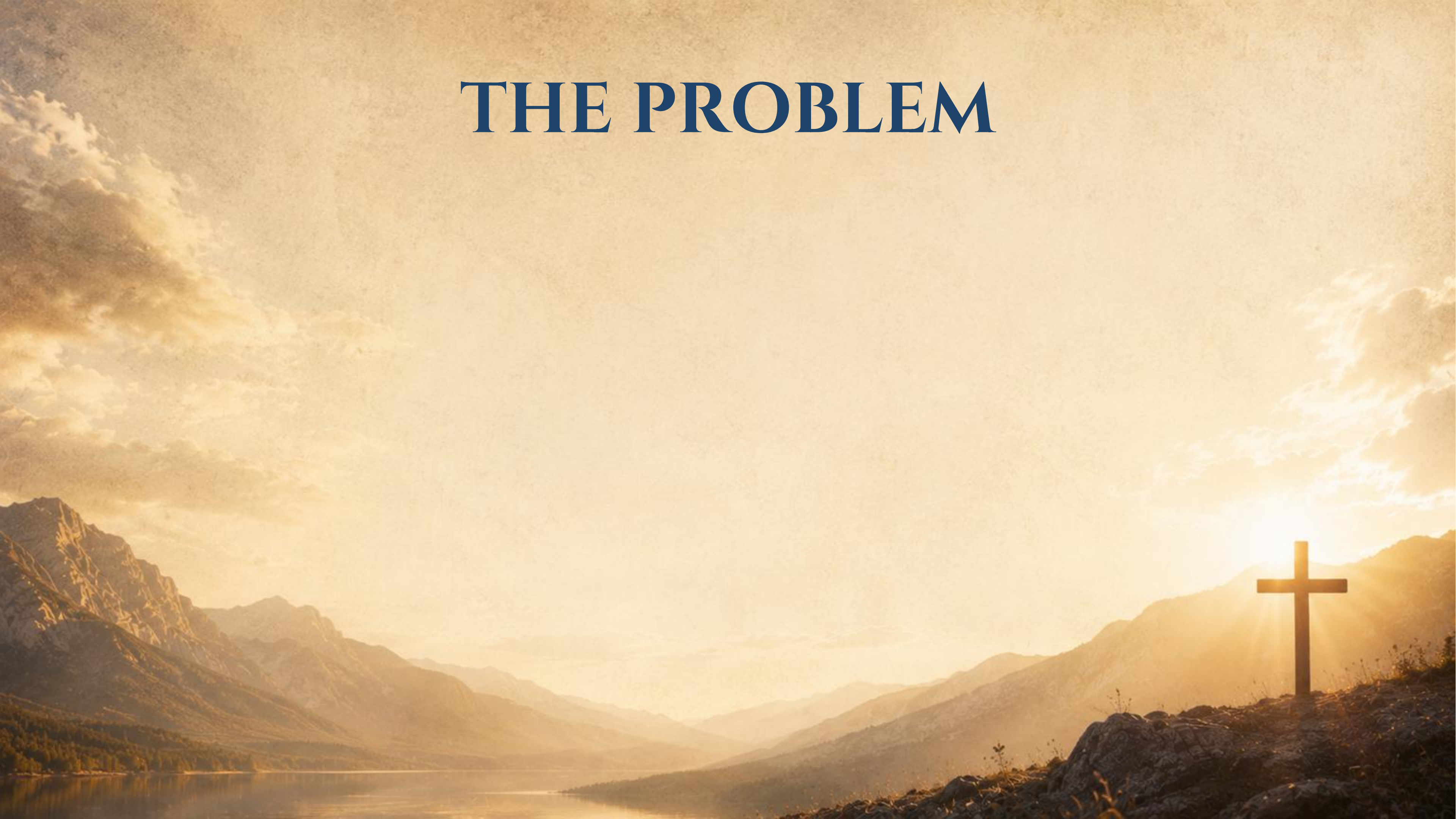
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**“MOST OF SCRIPTURE SPEAKS TO US. THE  
PSALMS SPEAK FOR US.” -ATHANASIUS**





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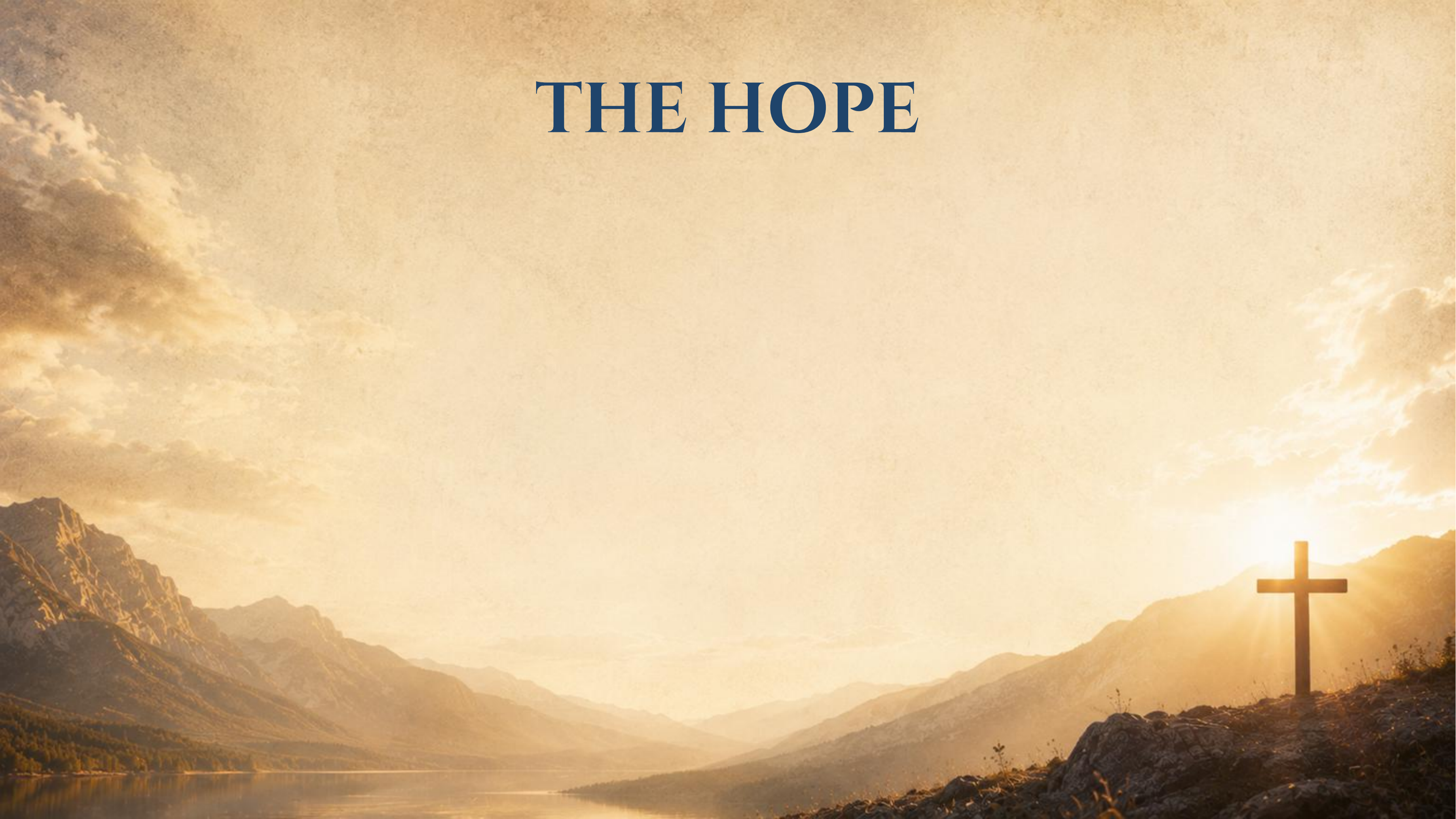
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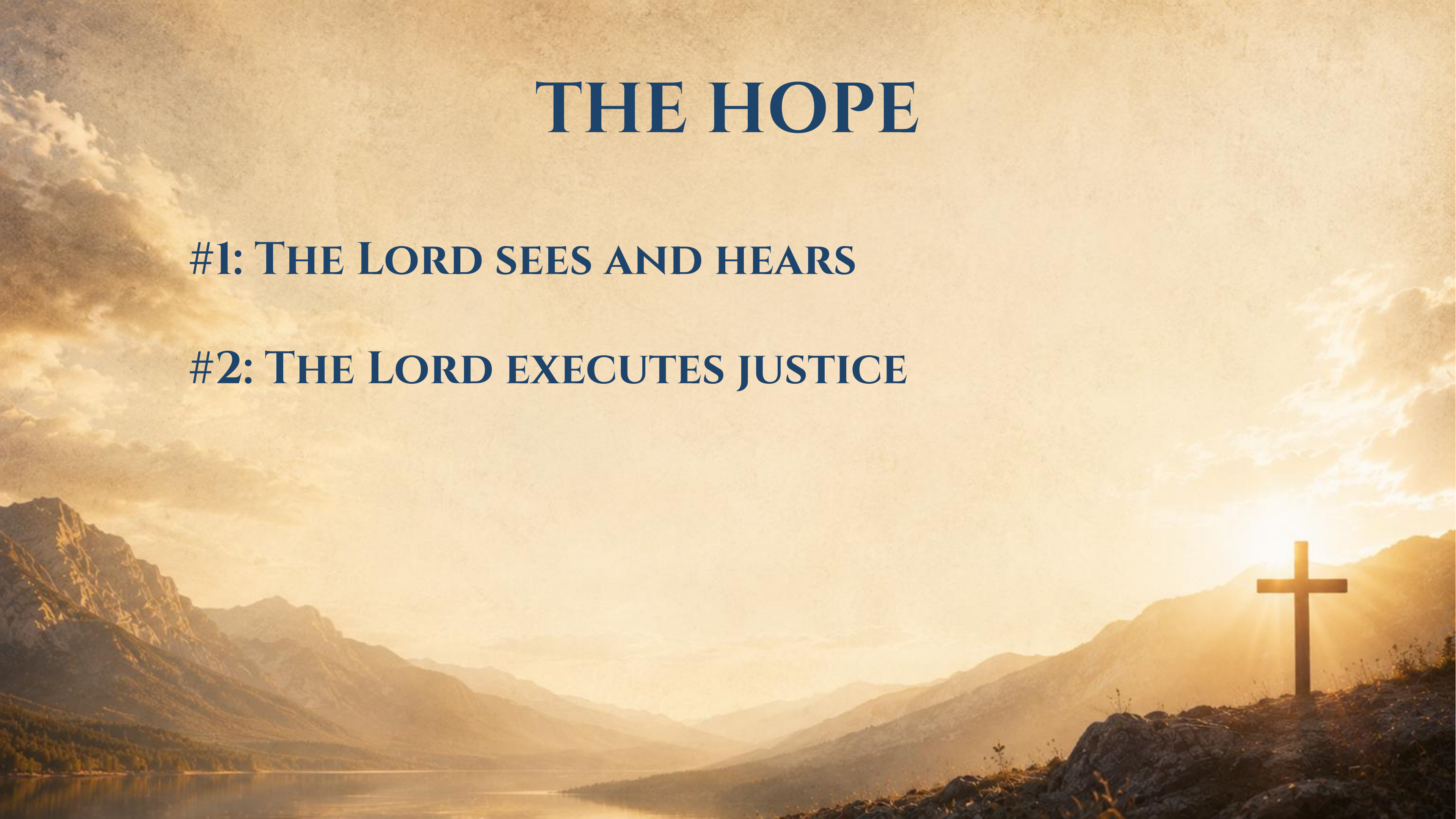




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**#2: THE LORD EXECUTES JUSTICE**





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