



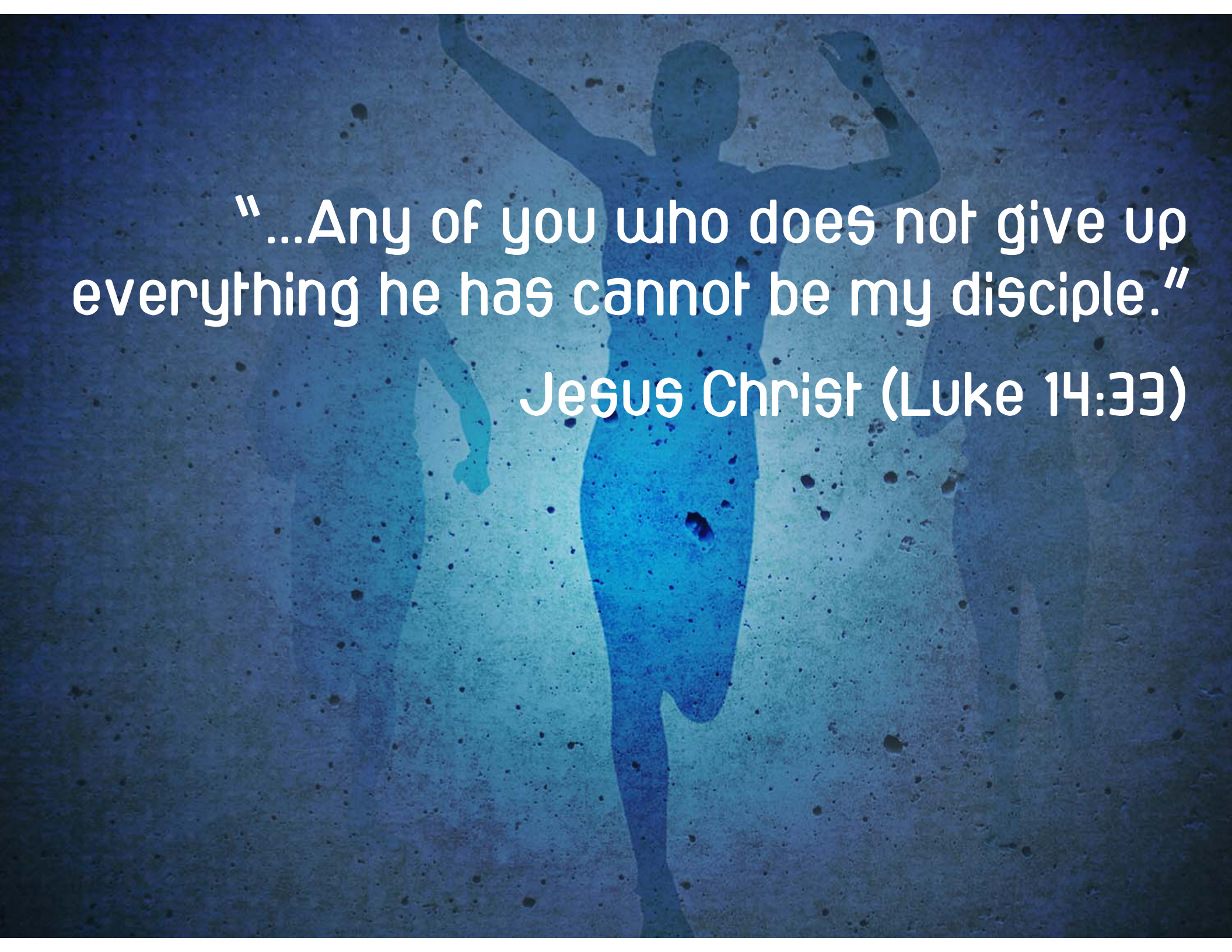
2nd Timothy: The View from the Finish Line



Disciple:

“A person who has a consuming passion for the Person of Jesus Christ, who has an unshakable confidence in the Word of Christ and is completely committed to Christ in service and obedience.”

Dwight Pentecost

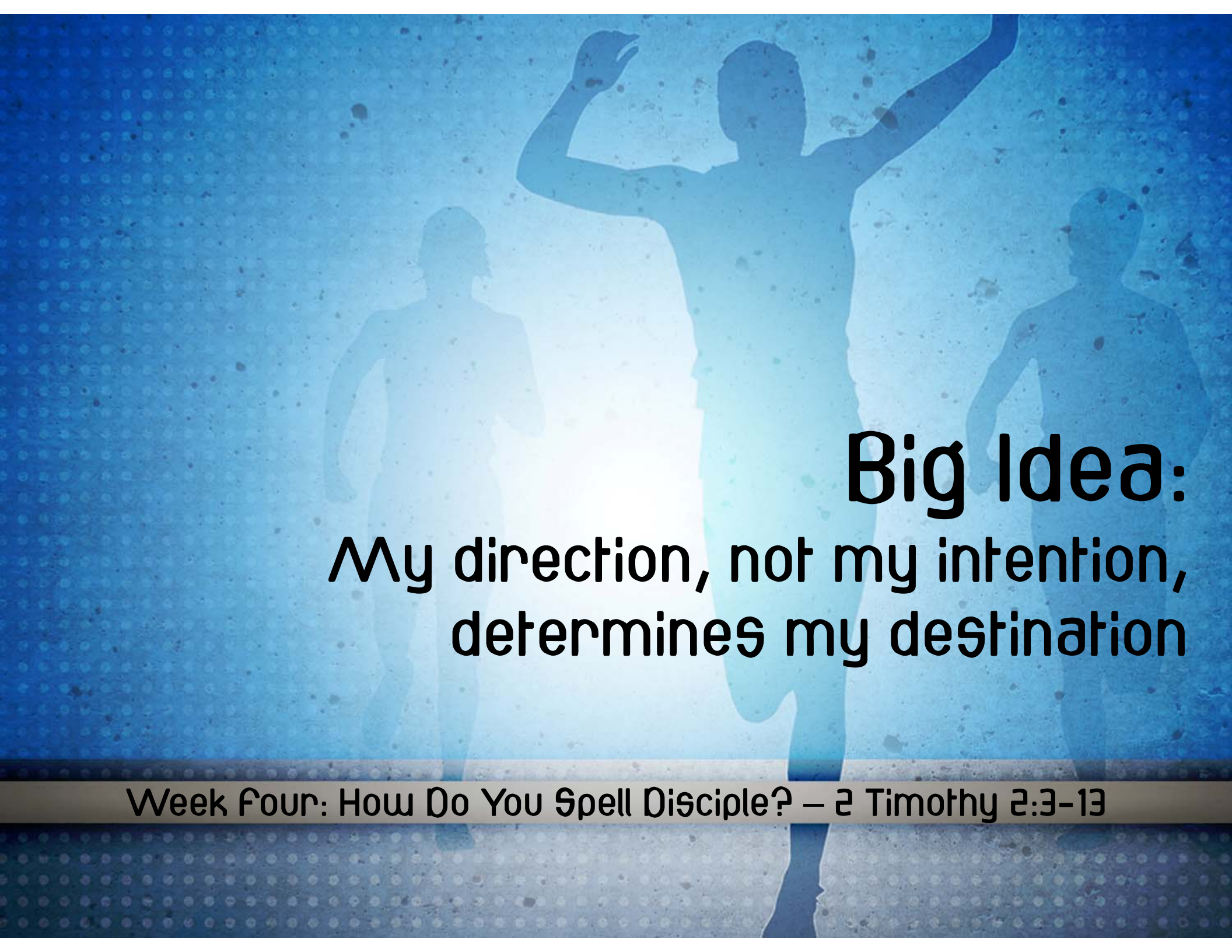


“...Any of you who does not give up everything he has cannot be my disciple.”

Jesus Christ (Luke 14:33)

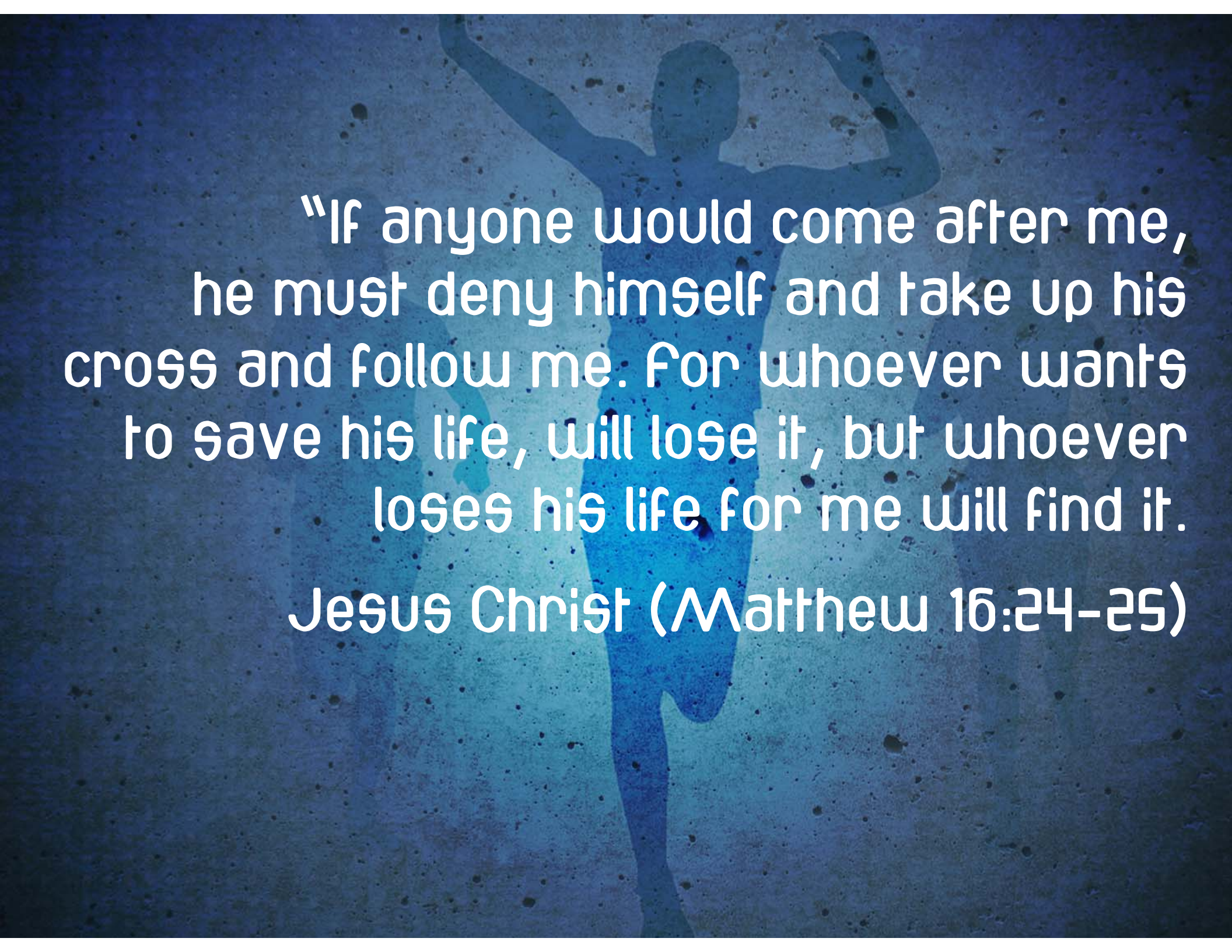


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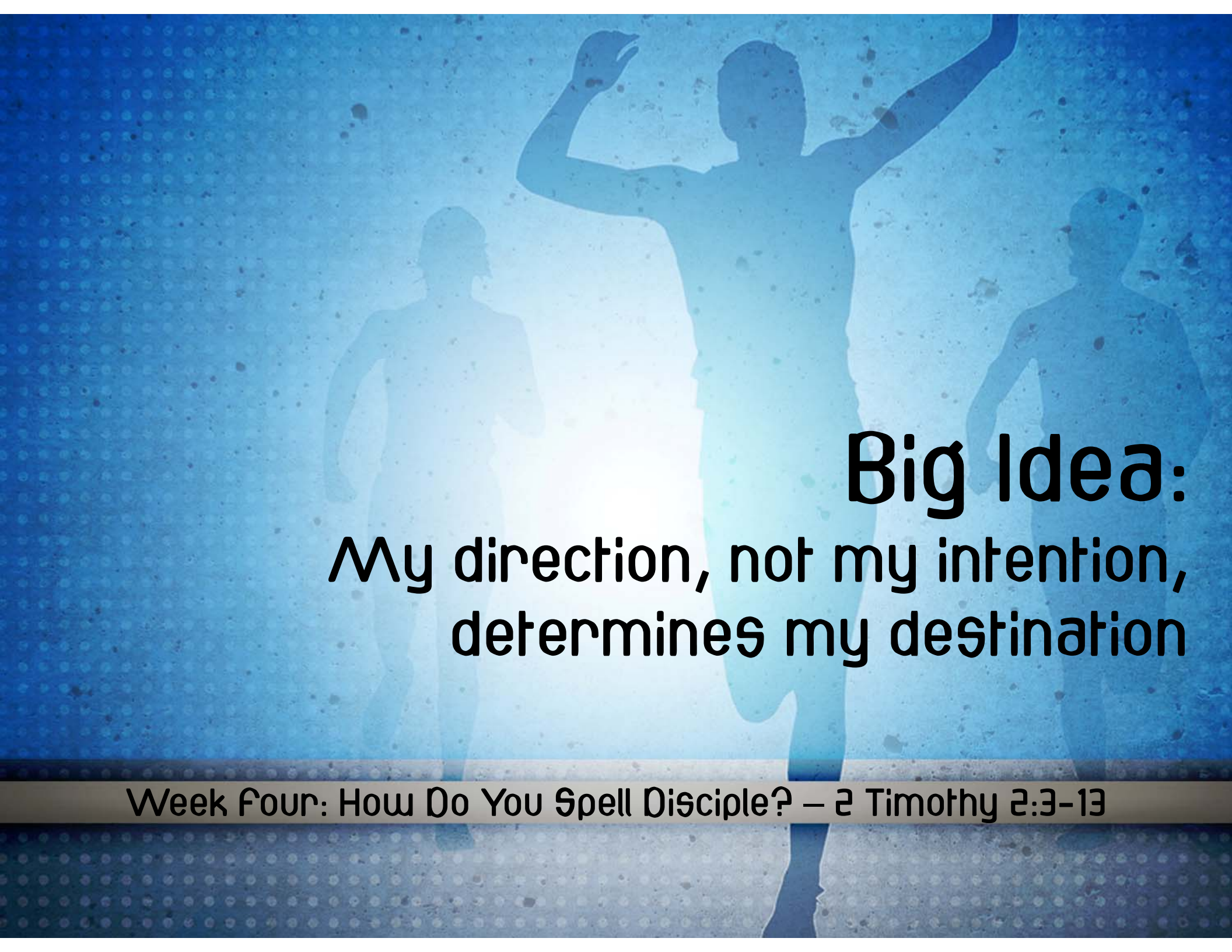
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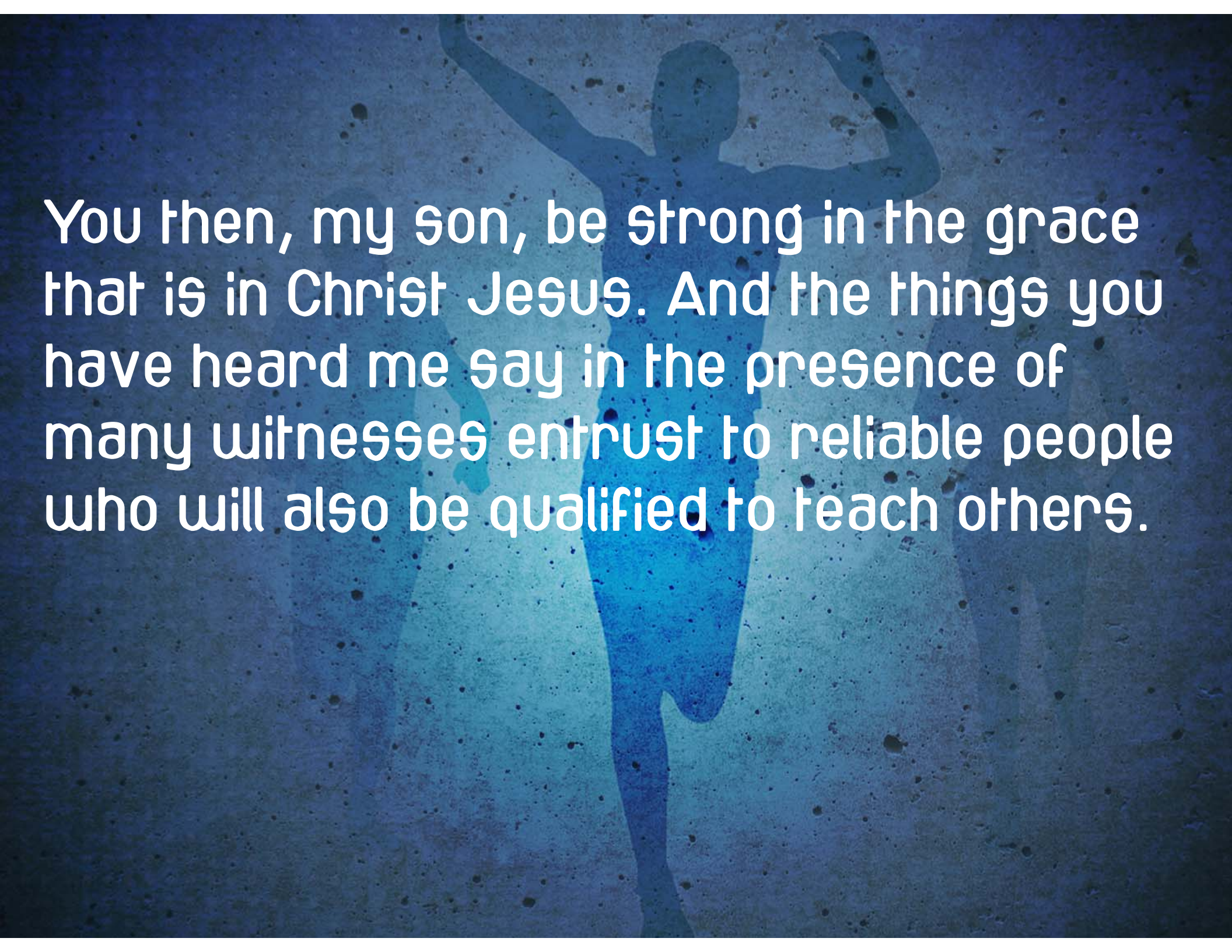
“If anyone would come after me,
he must deny himself and take up his
cross and follow me. For whoever wants
to save his life, will lose it, but whoever
loses his life for me will find it.

Jesus Christ (Matthew 16:24-25)

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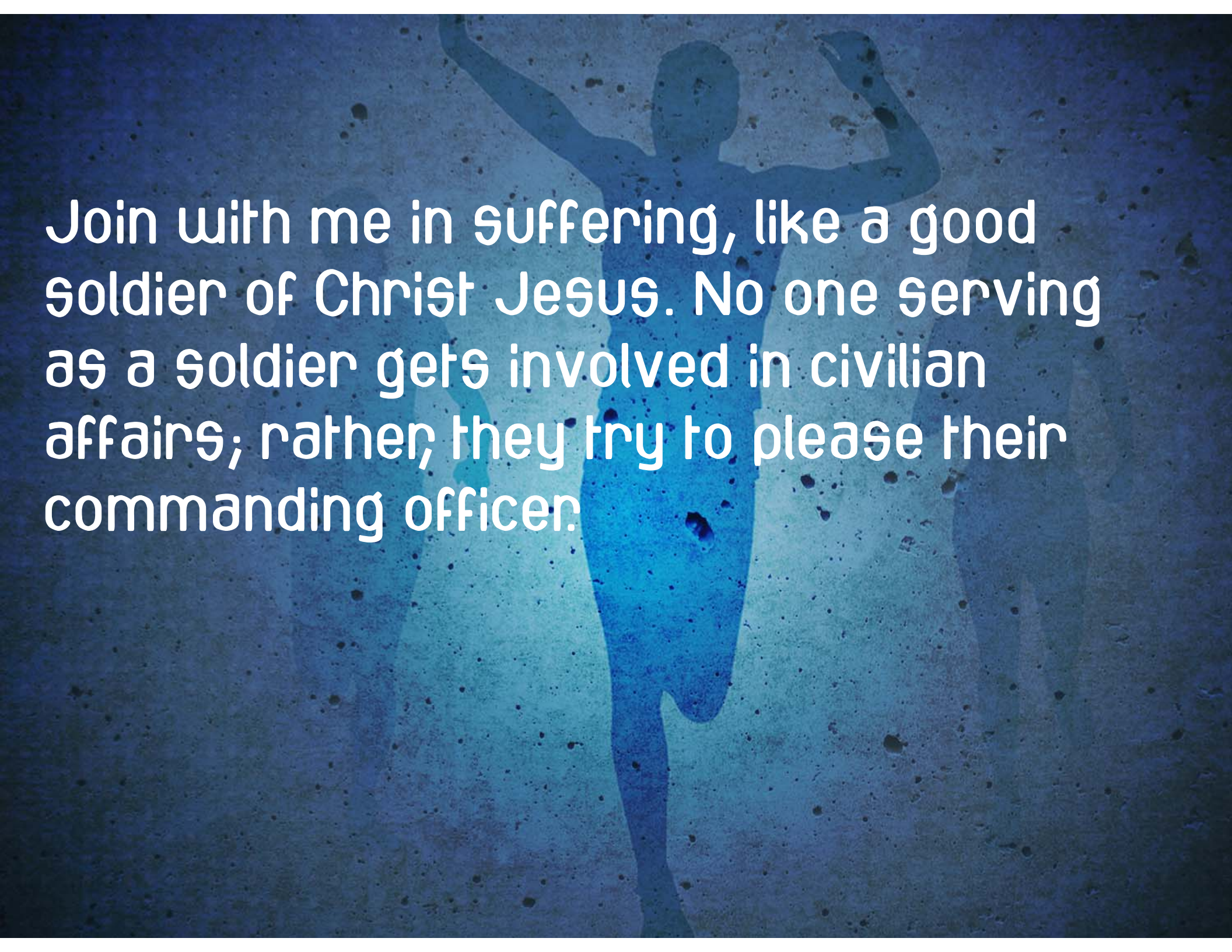


You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.



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Join with me in suffering, like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No one serving as a soldier gets involved in civilian affairs; rather, they try to please their commanding officer.



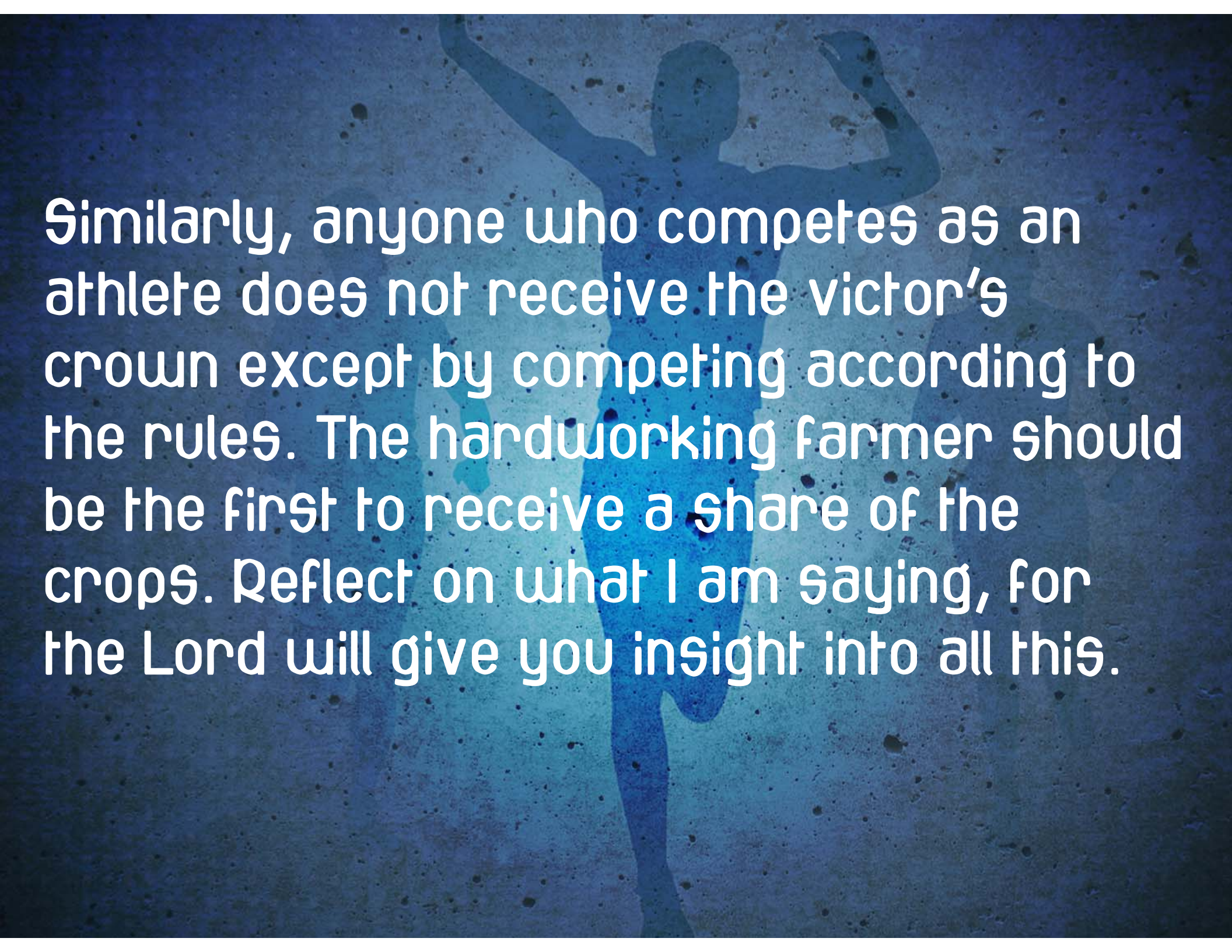
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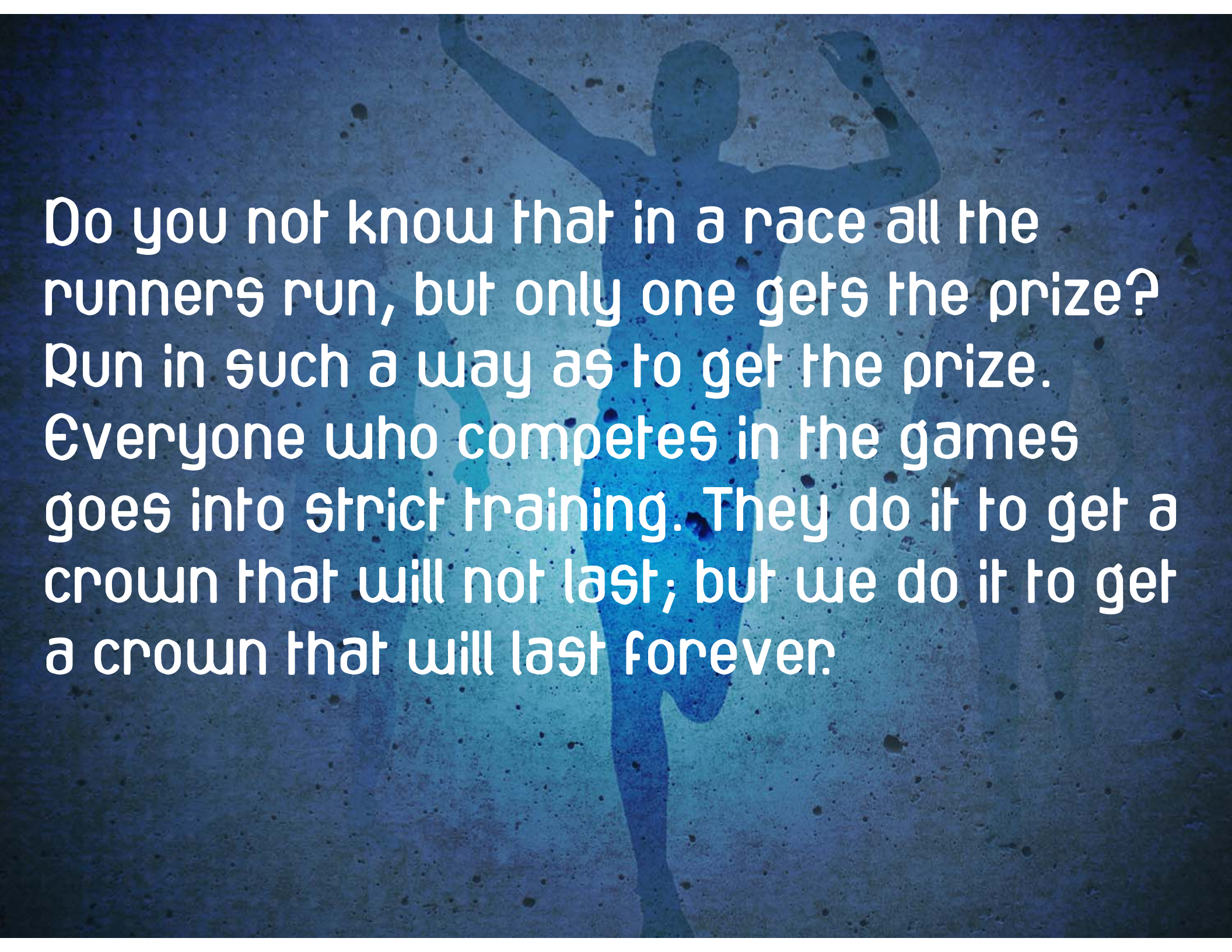


Similarly, anyone who competes as an athlete does not receive the victor's crown except by competing according to the rules. The hardworking farmer should be the first to receive a share of the crops. Reflect on what I am saying, for the Lord will give you insight into all this.

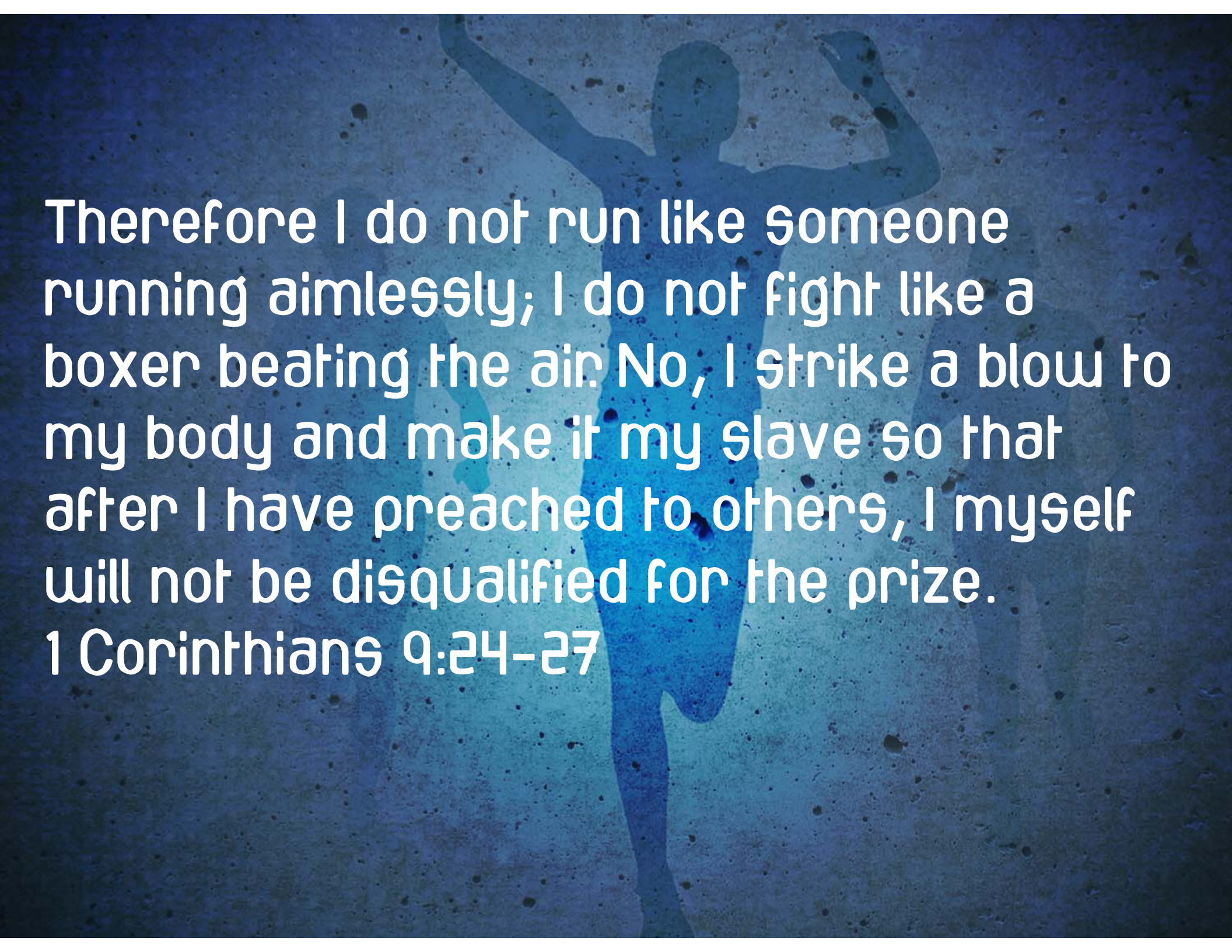


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Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last forever.



Therefore I do not run like someone running aimlessly; I do not fight like a boxer beating the air. No, I strike a blow to my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.

1 Corinthians 9:24-27



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1.Laziness

2.Lack of purpose

3.Restlessness

4.Self-pity

5.Pride

6.Murmuring

7.Impurity

8.Hatred of reproof

9.Bitterness

10.Hardened heart

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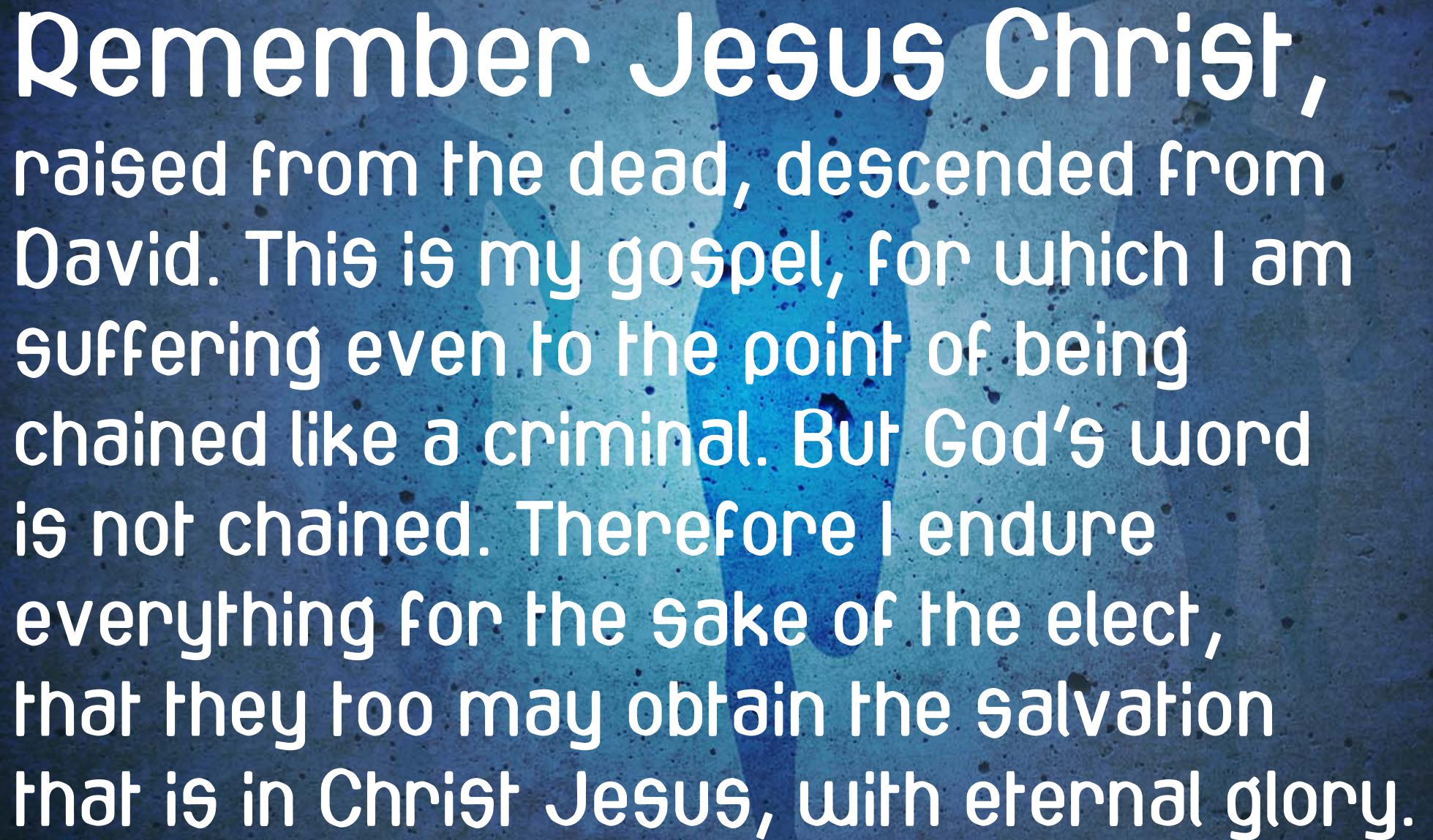
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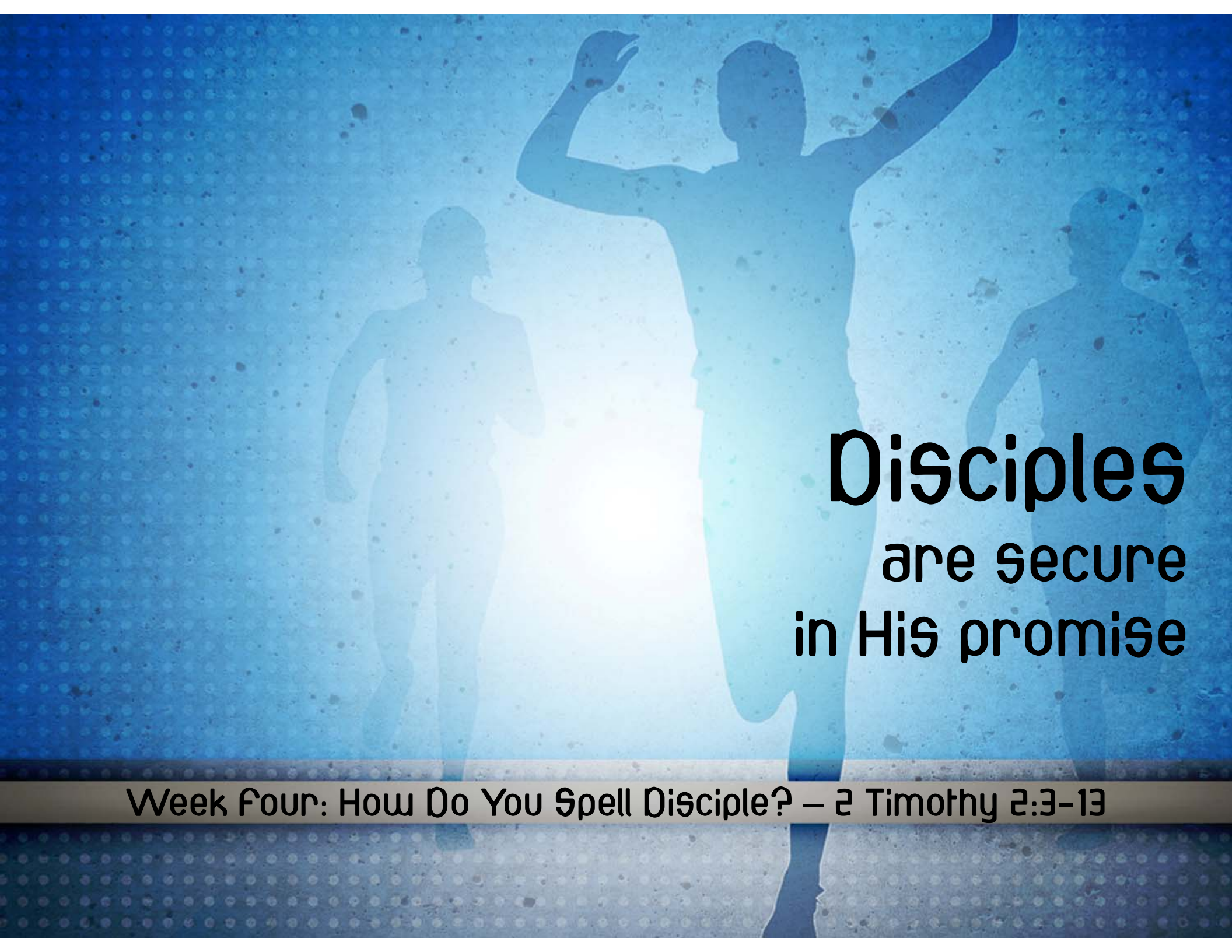


Remember Jesus Christ,
raised from the dead, descended from
David. This is my gospel, for which I am
suffering even to the point of being
chained like a criminal. But God's word
is not chained. Therefore I endure
everything for the sake of the elect,
that they too may obtain the salvation
that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

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Here is a trustworthy saying:

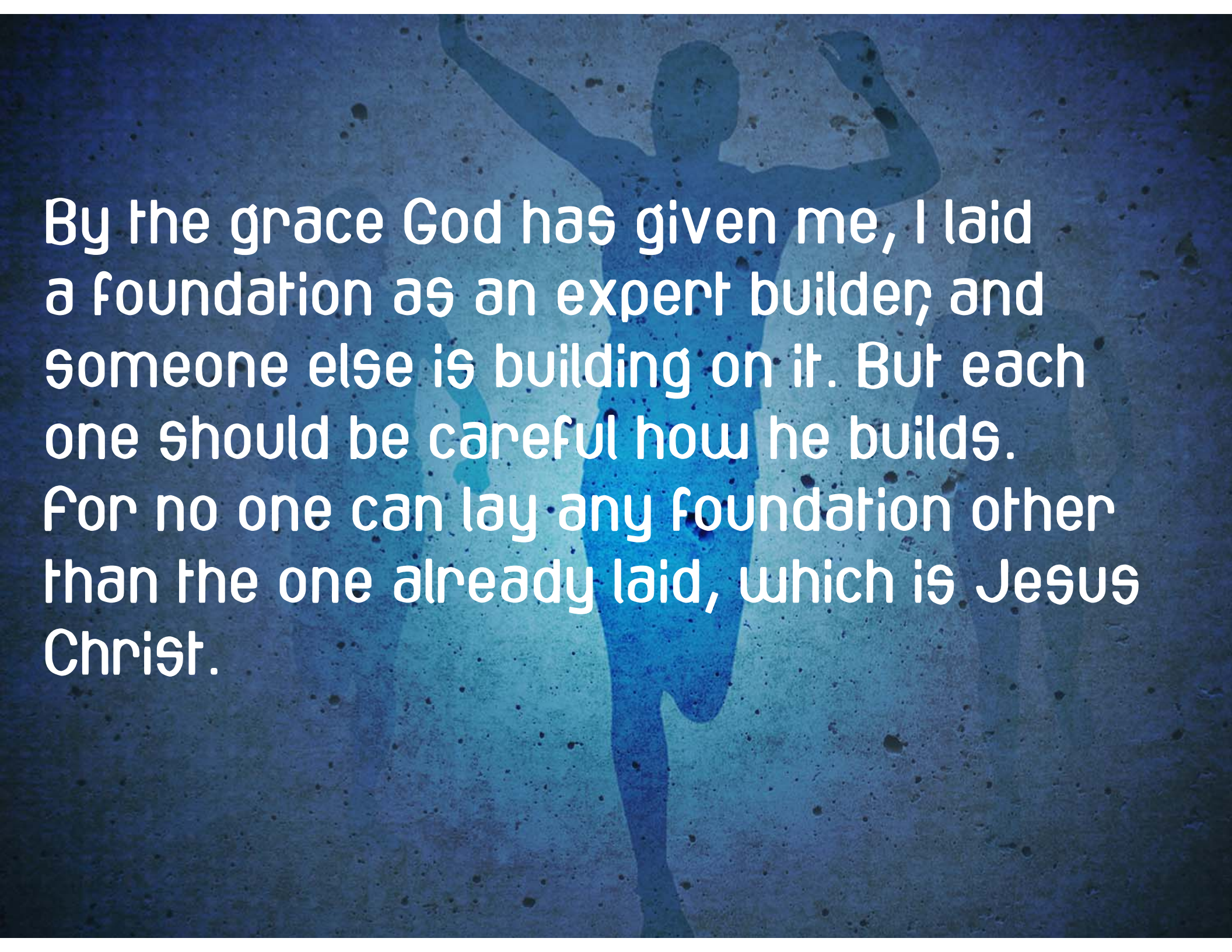
If we died with Him,
we will also live with Him;
if we endure,
we will also reign with Him.

If we disown Him,
He will also disown us;
if we are faithless,
He remains faithful,
for He cannot disown Himself.

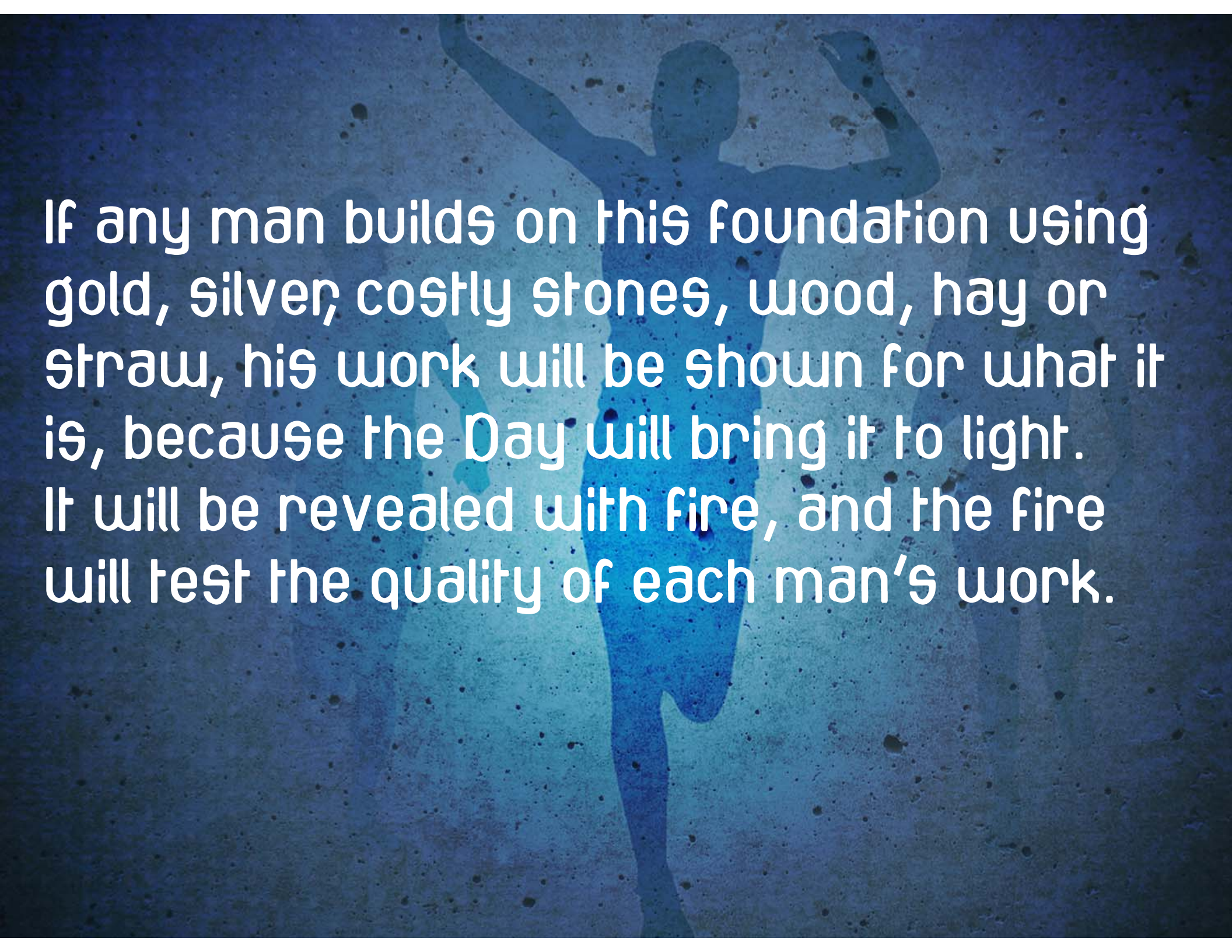
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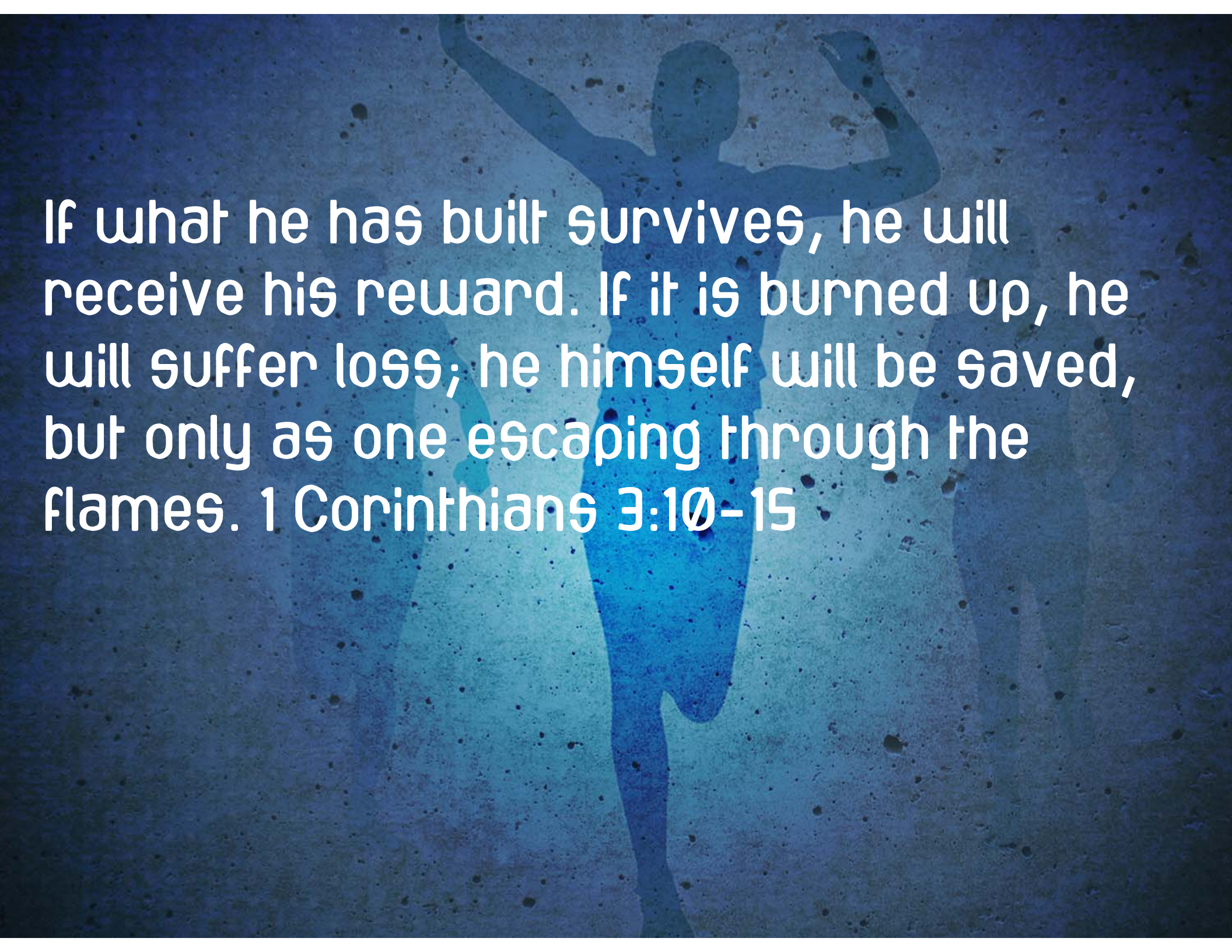
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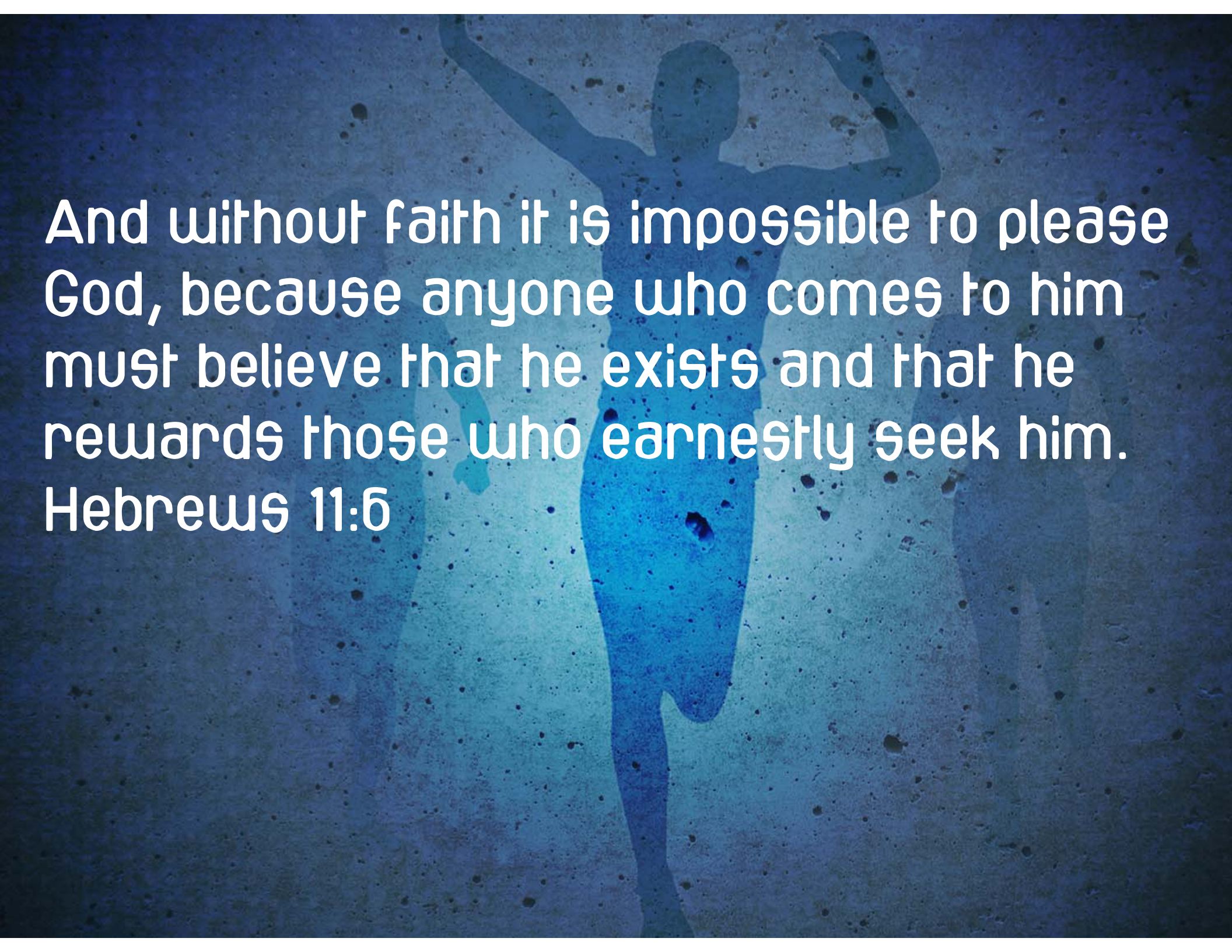
By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as an expert builder, and someone else is building on it. But each one should be careful how he builds. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.



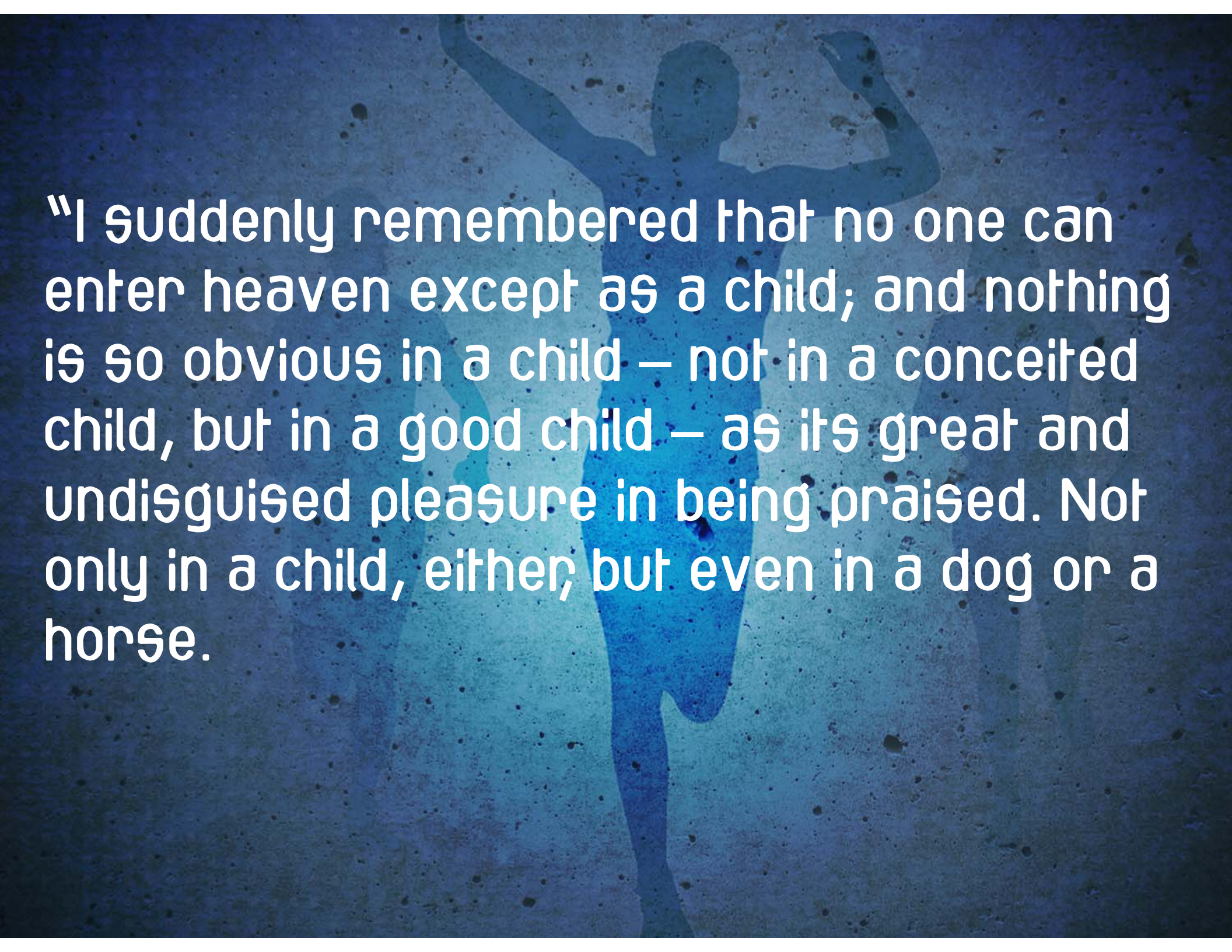
If any man builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, his work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each man's work.



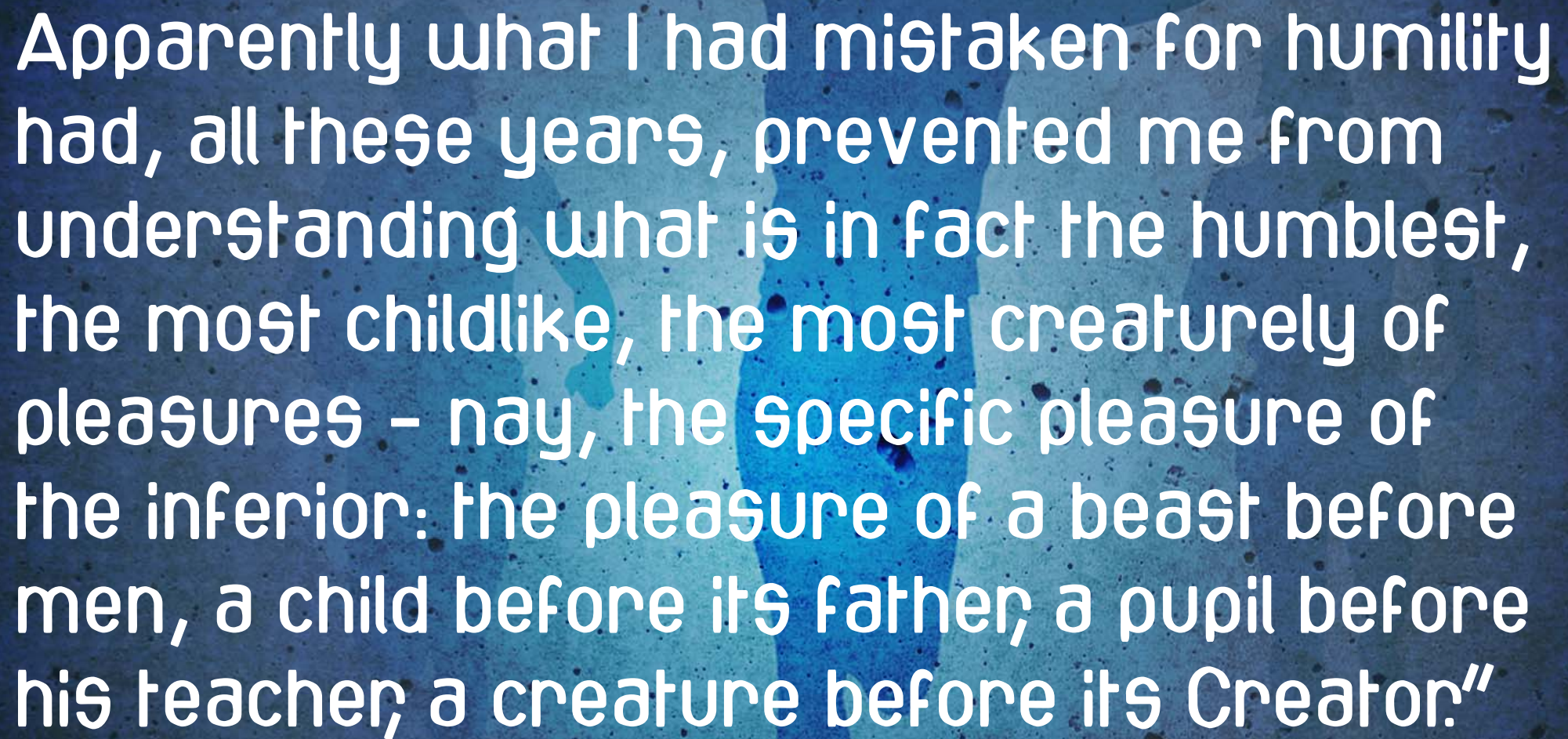
If what he has built survives, he will receive his reward. If it is burned up, he will suffer loss; he himself will be saved, but only as one escaping through the flames. 1 Corinthians 3:10-15



And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.
Hebrews 11:6

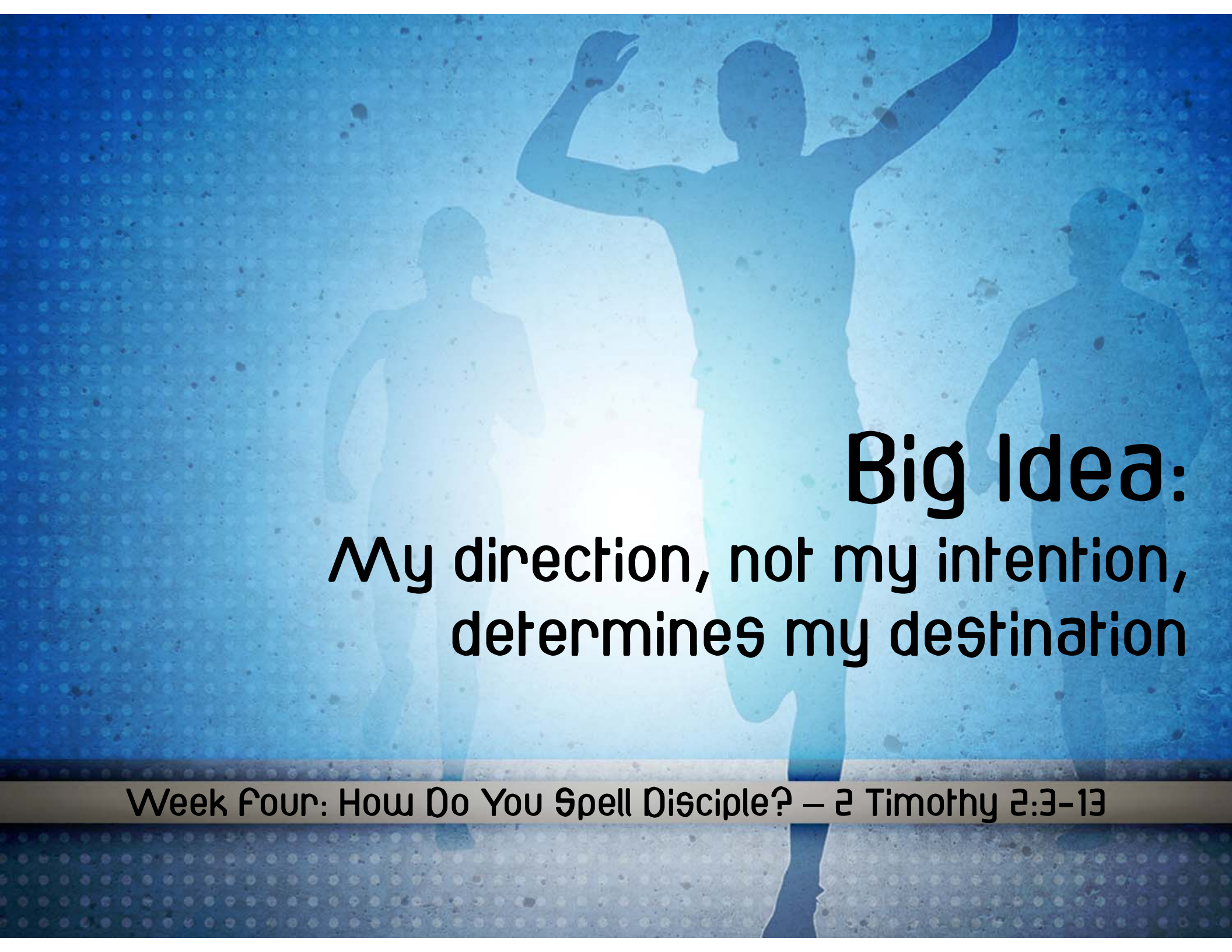


“I suddenly remembered that no one can enter heaven except as a child; and nothing is so obvious in a child – not in a conceited child, but in a good child – as its great and undisguised pleasure in being praised. Not only in a child, either, but even in a dog or a horse.



Apparently what I had mistaken for humility had, all these years, prevented me from understanding what is in fact the humblest, the most childlike, the most creaturely of pleasures – nay, the specific pleasure of the inferior: the pleasure of a beast before men, a child before its father, a pupil before his teacher, a creature before its Creator.”

CS Lewis – The Weight of Glory

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