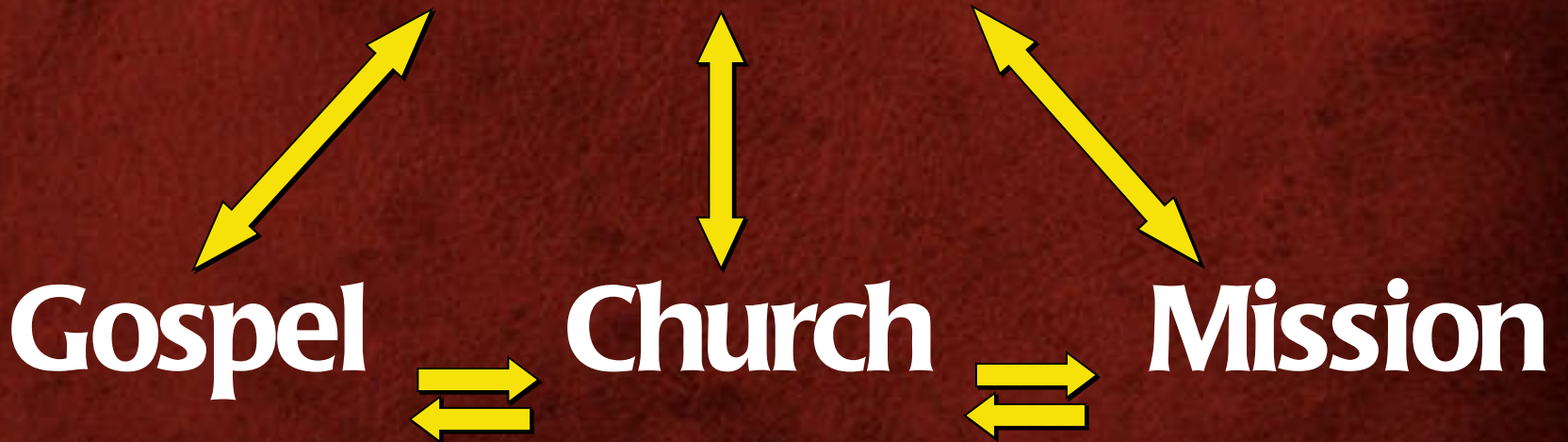


A large, full-canopied green tree stands in a field of green grass under a clear blue sky. The tree's roots are exposed and spread out extensively in the dark brown soil below the ground line, illustrating the concept of growing deep.

# Growing Deep in the Gospel

# The Big Picture

Jesus



# Mission ♦ Goal ♦ Purpose

Bringing glory to Jesus and the Father



Expanding the Kingdom of God



Making disciples of all nations



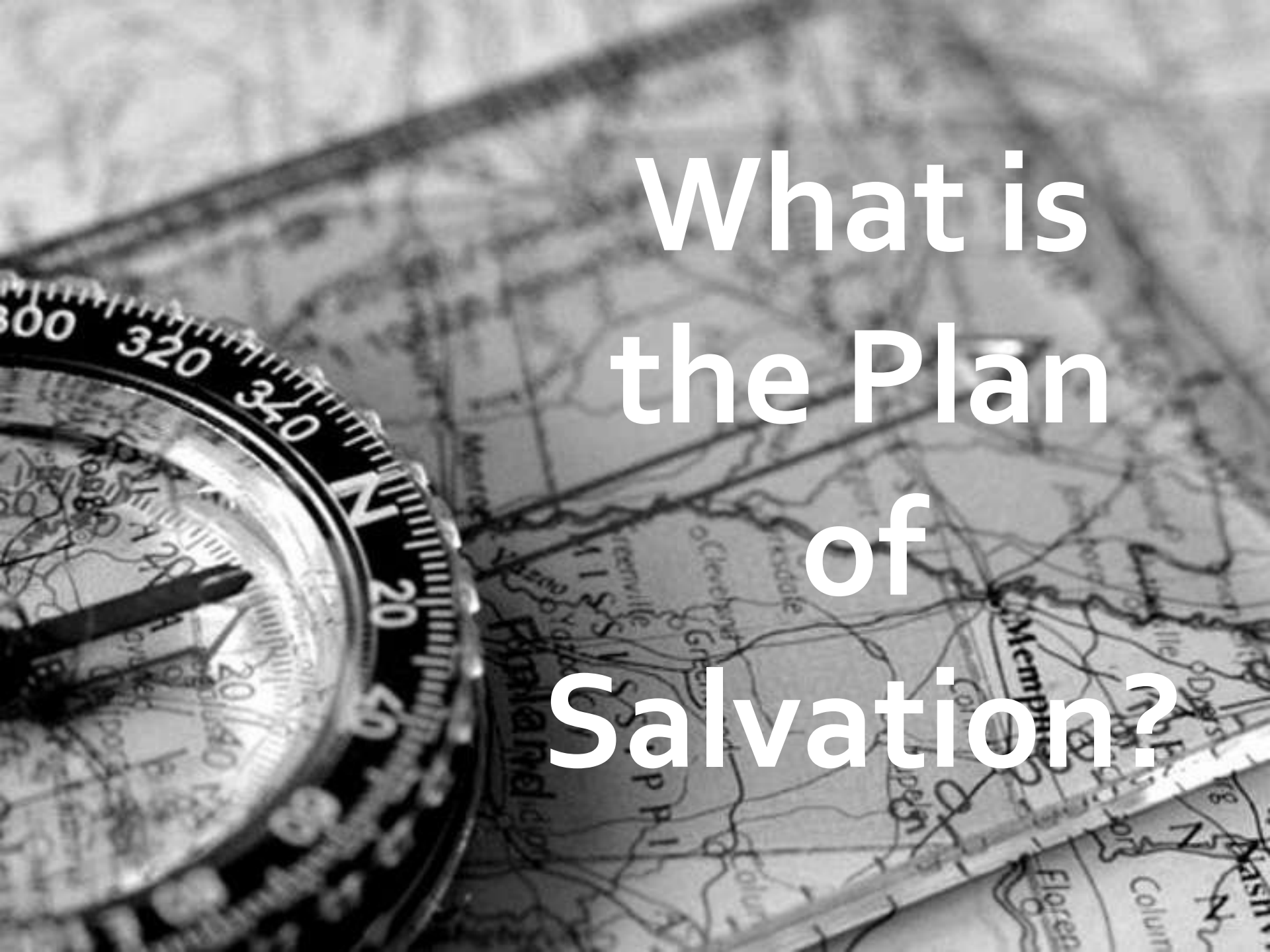
**What  
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# What isn't the Gospel?

Jesus + Anything = Nothing

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Jesus + Nothing = Everything



# What is the Plan of Salvation?

**Important**







# Holy Spirit

because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction...

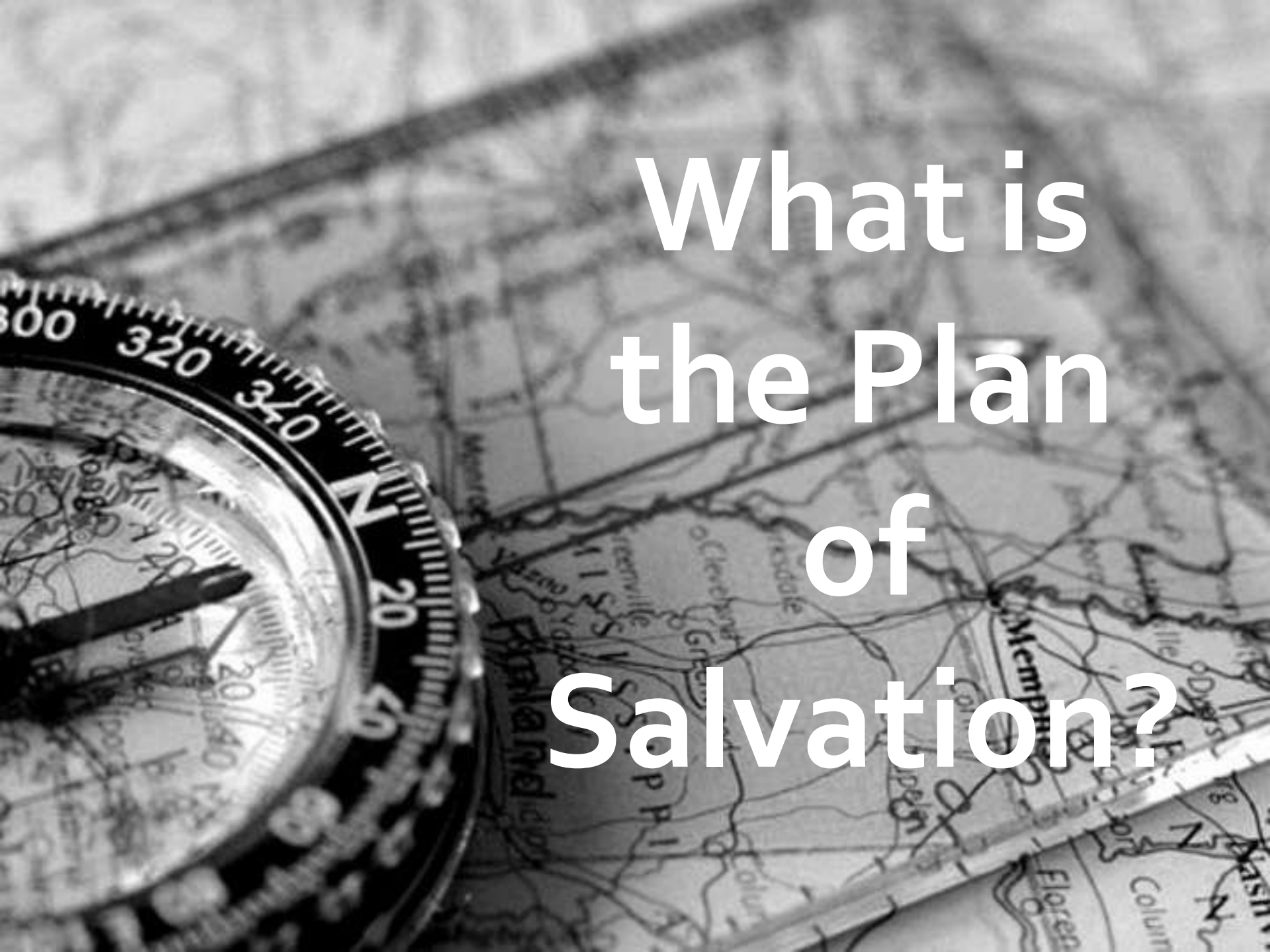
**1 Thessalonians 1:5**

# Holy Spirit

But in fact, it is best for you that I go away, because if I don't, the Advocate won't come. If I do go away, then I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will convict the world of its sin, and of God's righteousness, and of the coming judgment.

John 16:7-8





# What is the Plan of Salvation?

**The Gospel**

**vs**

**The Plan of Salvation**



**Salvation = Rescue**



# Before Creation

...the Lamb who was slain from  
the creation of the world.

Revelation 13:8



# Before Creation

but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake.

**1 Peter 1:19-20**

# Understanding the Plan


1. We have a problem.
2. There is only one solution.
3. We need to acquire the solution.

Why ✦ What ✦ How

# Three Questions

## Focus on Jesus

1. Why do we need Jesus?
2. What did Jesus do for us?
3. How do we receive salvation through Jesus?

A wooden spinning wheel with a large wooden spindle and a wooden bobbin, set against a background of a scroll of parchment with Hebrew text.

# Plan of Salvation Outline

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# Why Do We Need Jesus?

1. Sin
2. Spiritual death
3. Physical death
4. Judgment
5. Hell
6. Wrath of God
7. Eternal death

# What Did Jesus Do For Us?

1. Created the universe
2. Born of a virgin and became a man
3. Lived a sinless life
4. Went to the cross
5. Had all of our sin placed upon Him
6. Separated from the Father

# What Did Jesus Do For Us?

1. Suffered our punishment, experiencing the full wrath of the Father for our sins
2. Died on the cross
3. Placed in a tomb
4. Rose from the dead
5. Ascended to the right hand of the Father
6. Waiting to return and restore the Kingdom of God over all creation

# How Do We Receive Salvation through Jesus?


**1. Repentance**

**2. Faith**



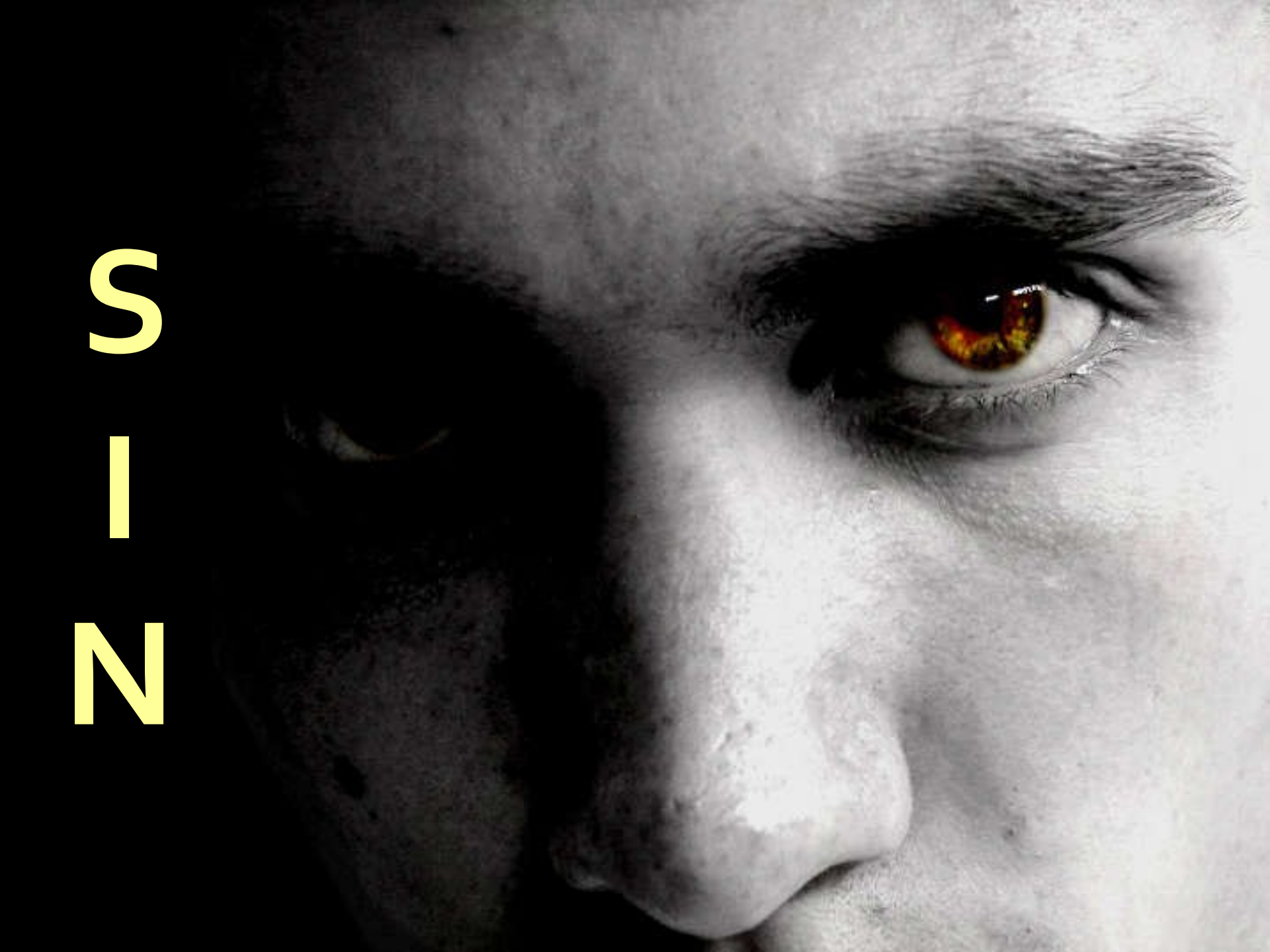
A large red concrete letter 'J' and a red concrete cube are placed on a paved surface. The 'J' is on the left, and the cube is on the right. The scene is outdoors with grass and pavement visible.

**Why Do We  
Need Jesus?**



**We Have  
a Problem!**

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# Why Do We Need Jesus?

for all have sinned and fall  
short of the glory of God,

Romans 3:23



**SPIRITUAL DEATH**

# Why Do We Need Jesus?

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 6:23



# PHYSICAL DEATH

HEART, EYES  
BODY OF  
HANNAH LEAY  
WIFE OF

# Why Do We Need Jesus?

Just as people are destined to die  
once, and after that to face judgment,

Hebrews 9:27





# JUDGMENT

Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.

**Revelation 20:11-12**

# Why Do We Need Jesus?

The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death and anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

**Revelation 20:13-15**

HELL



# WRATH



# Why Do We Need Jesus?

He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.

John 3:36

A close-up photograph of a heavily rusted, ornate metal gate. The gate features vertical bars and intricate scrollwork. A thick, rusted chain is wrapped around the bottom left corner. The overall appearance is one of decay and confinement.

**ETERNAL  
DEATH**

# Why Do We Need Jesus?

This will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels. He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. They will be punished with eternal destruction, forever separated from the Lord and from his glorious power.

**2 Thessalonians 1:7-9**



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**There is Only  
One Solution!**

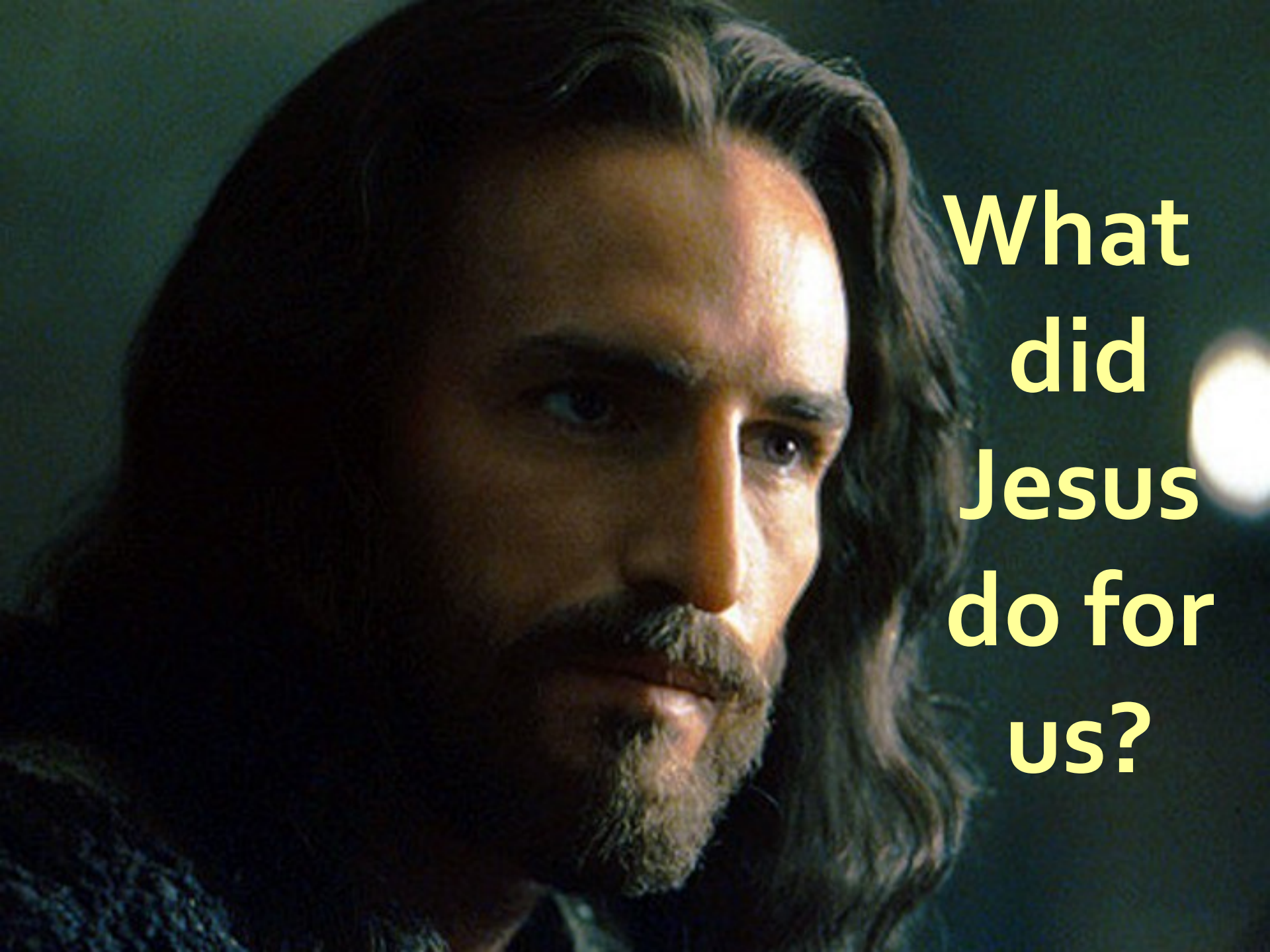




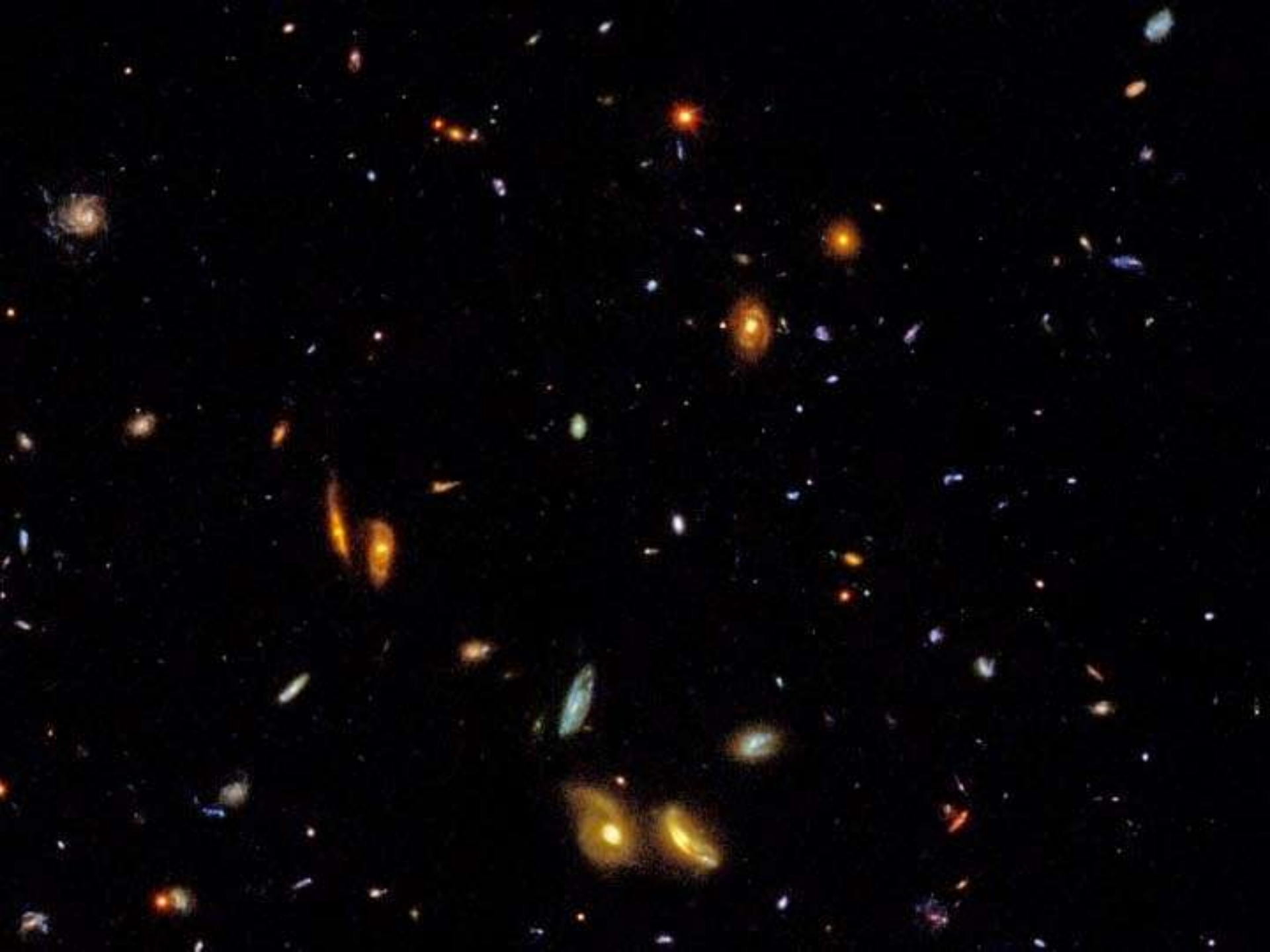
# The Only Solution

Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.”

Acts 4:12



**What  
did  
Jesus  
do for  
us?**



# What Did Jesus Do?

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Colossians 1:15-17





# What Did Jesus Do?

“The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel” (which means “God with us”).

Matthew 1:23



# What Did Jesus Do?

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:14



# What Did Jesus Do?

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.

Hebrews 4:15



The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"

**John 1:29**









# What Did Jesus Do?

At noon, darkness fell across the whole land until three o'clock. At about three o'clock, Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" which means "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?"

Matthew 27:45-46

# What Did Jesus Do?

Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.

Isaiah 53:4-5

# What Did Jesus Do?

So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.

John 19:30









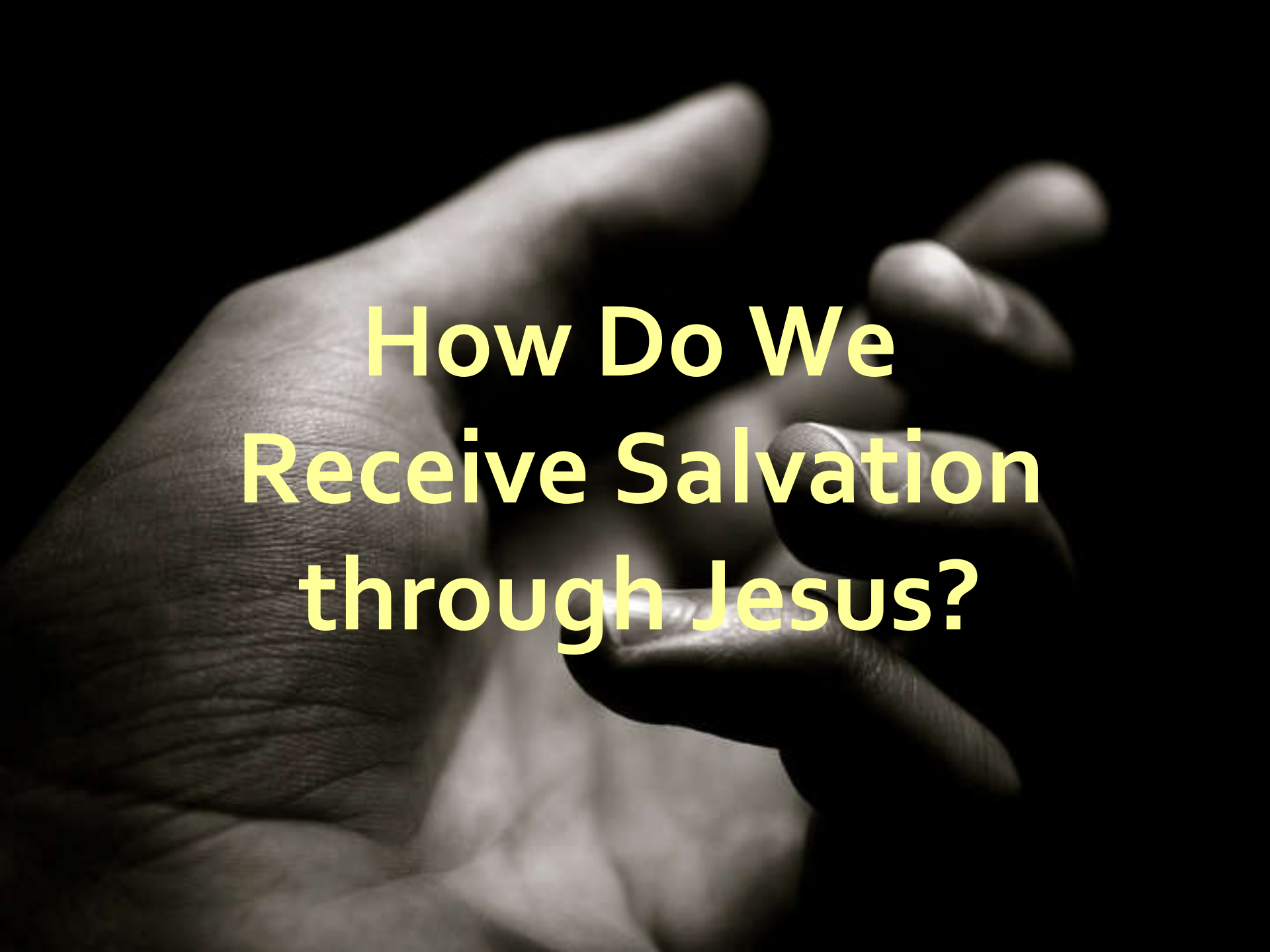








**We need to acquire  
the solution!**



**How Do We  
Receive Salvation  
through Jesus?**

# REPENTANCE



A close-up, profile view of a young girl with dark skin and hair, looking intently at a crucifix. The crucifix is made of dark wood and is mounted on a light-colored, textured wall. The lighting is soft and focused on the girl's face and the crucifix. The word "FAITH" is overlaid in yellow, bold, sans-serif capital letters in the lower-left quadrant of the image.

**FAITH**

# Repentance & Faith

You know that I have not hesitated to preach anything that would be helpful to you but have taught you publicly and from house to house. I have declared to both Jews and Greeks that they must turn to God in repentance and have faith in our Lord Jesus.

**Acts 20:20-21**

**REPENTANCE**





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**FAITH**

# Reflection

A close-up photograph of a hand gently touching the surface of water, creating ripples. The background is a soft, out-of-focus landscape with a blue and white color palette, suggesting a sunset or sunrise over a body of water. The overall mood is contemplative and serene.

**Can you retell the basic outline of the plan of salvation?**

**What are your thoughts and observations about the plan of Salvation as it was presented?**

A large, mature tree with a dense, rounded canopy of green leaves stands in a field of green grass under a clear blue sky. The tree's root system is exposed, showing a thick main taproot that descends deep into the dark brown soil, with numerous smaller lateral roots spreading out horizontally. The text "Grow Deep!" is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font across the middle of the image, positioned over the tree's trunk and the soil.

**Grow Deep!**

# Grow Deep!

**What you do with the gospel and Jesus determines everything in your life including your eternal destiny.**

# Grow Deep!

**Resolve to make the gospel the highest priority in your life and ask Jesus to empower you to do so day by day through the Holy Spirit.**

# Grow Deep!

Take the time to study, meditate and pray over the gospel on a regular basis so that you are continually growing in your understanding of it.

# Grow Deep!

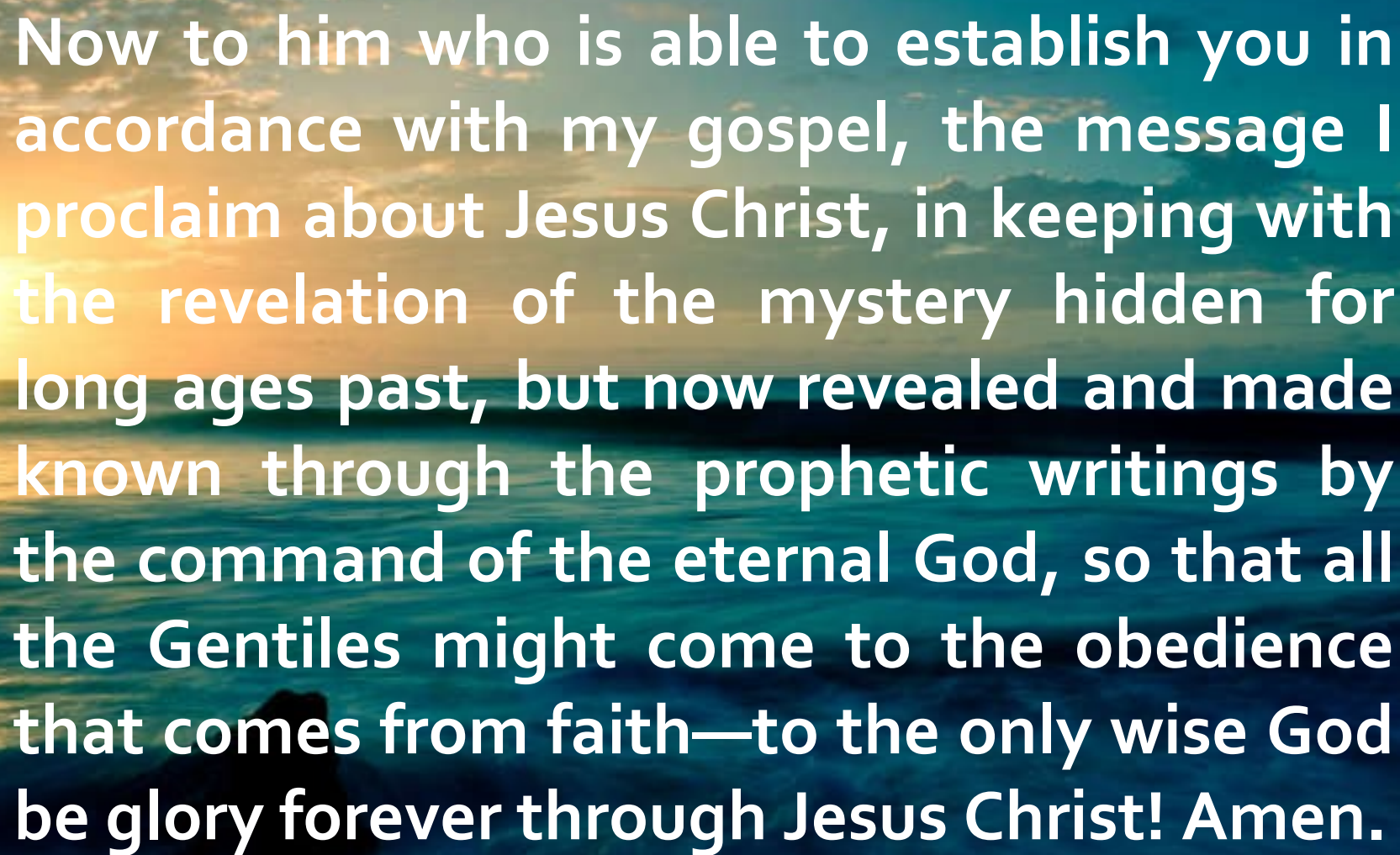
**As you grow in your knowledge and understanding of the gospel take a hold of it by faith and learn how to live it out.**

# **Last Word**

**Take a hold of the gospel so  
Jesus can take a hold of you.**





A sunset over the ocean with a silhouette of a person in the foreground. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue, with the sun low on the horizon. The water is dark blue, and the person's silhouette is dark against the lighter sky.

Now to him who is able to establish you in accordance with my gospel, the message I proclaim about Jesus Christ, in keeping with the revelation of the mystery hidden for long ages past, but now revealed and made known through the prophetic writings by the command of the eternal God, so that all the Gentiles might come to the obedience that comes from faith—to the only wise God be glory forever through Jesus Christ! Amen.

**Romans 16:25-27**