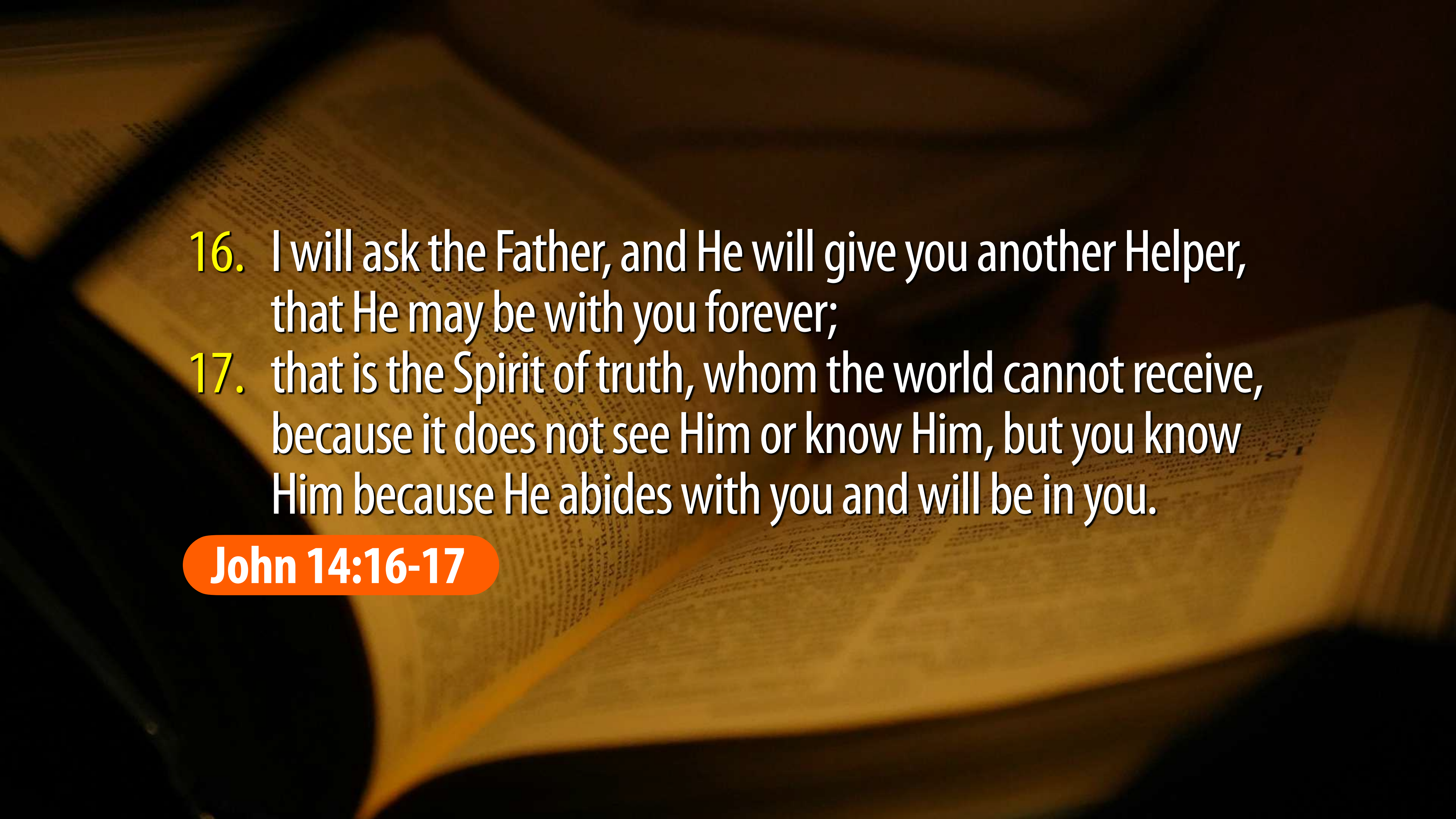


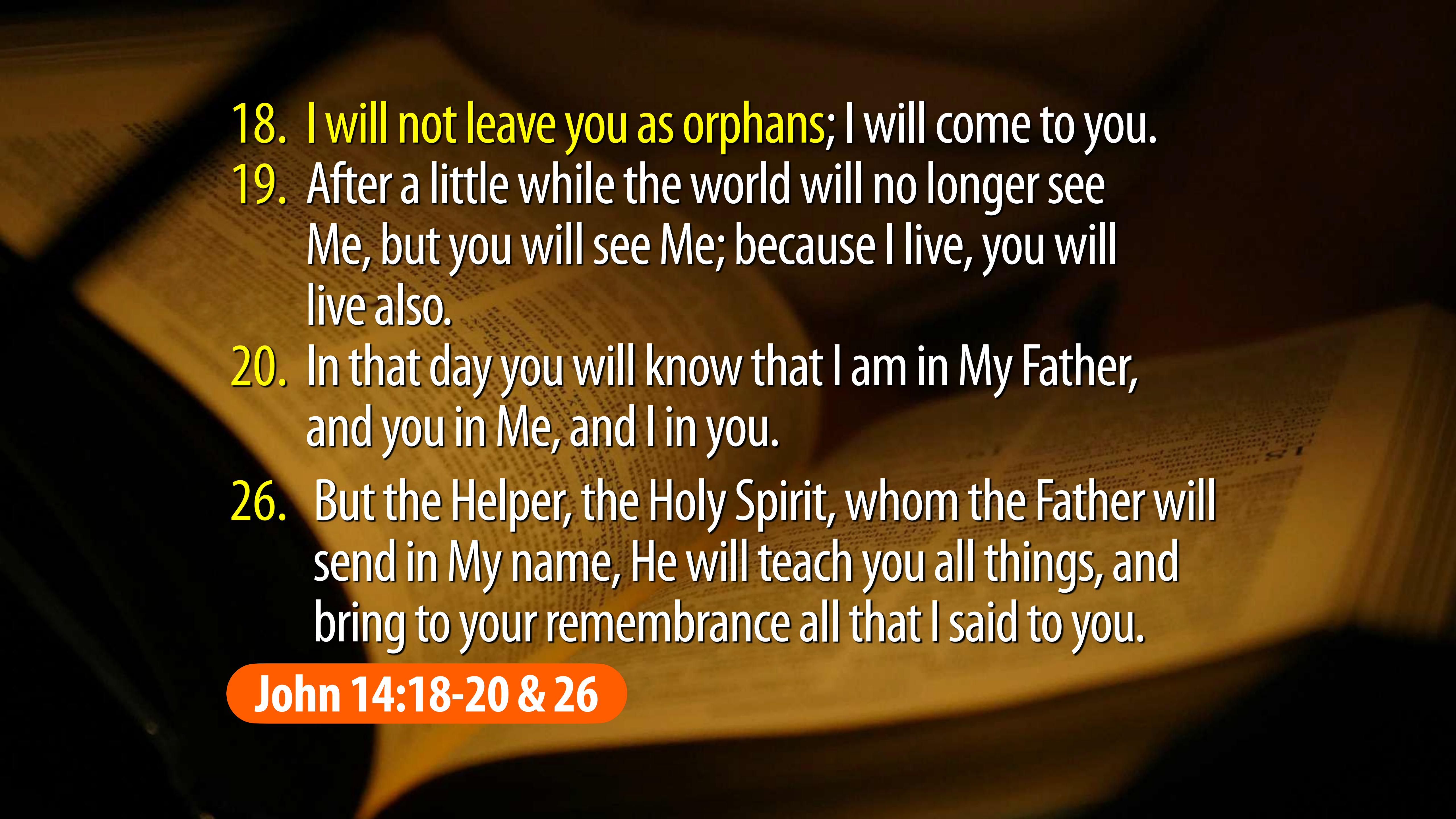


# **The Person & the Work of the** *Holy Spirit*

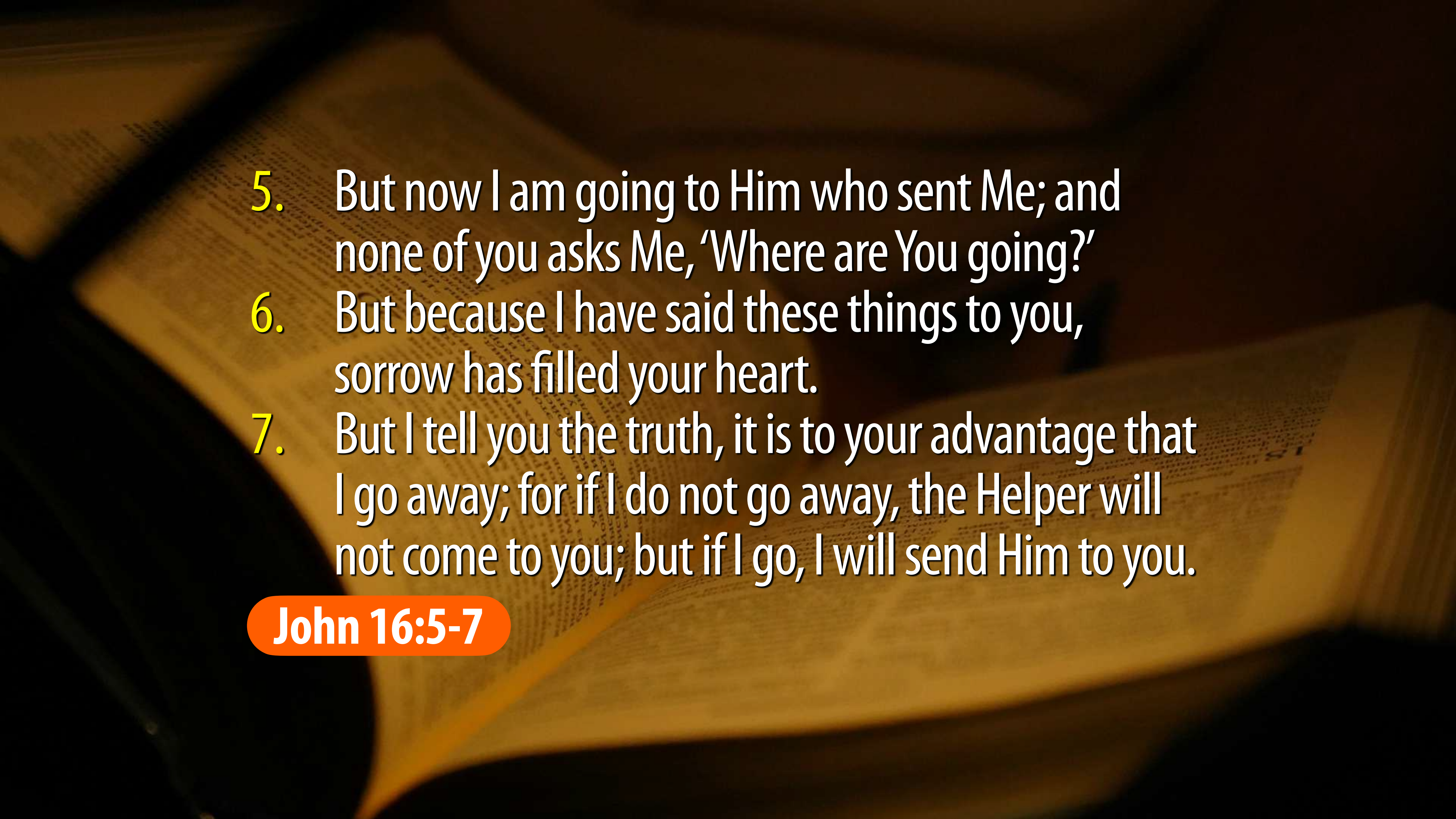
*1. Introduction*

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16. I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper,  
that He may be with you forever;
17. that is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive,  
because it does not see Him or know Him, but you know  
Him because He abides with you and will be in you.

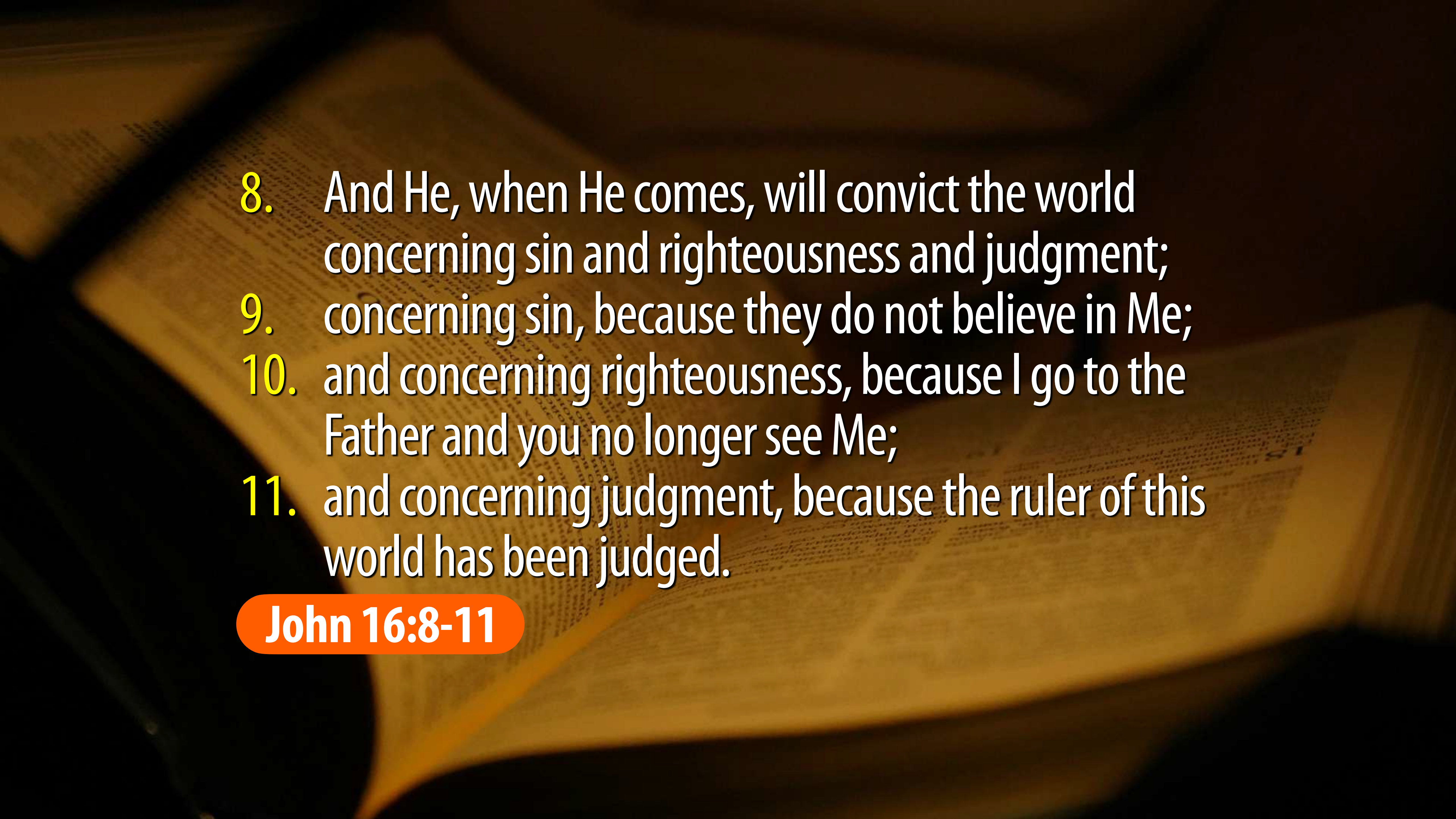
**John 14:16-17**

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18. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.
19. After a little while the world will no longer see Me, but you will see Me; because I live, you will live also.
20. In that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you.
26. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.

**John 14:18-20 & 26**

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5. But now I am going to Him who sent Me; and none of you asks Me, 'Where are You going?'
  6. But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart.
  7. But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you.

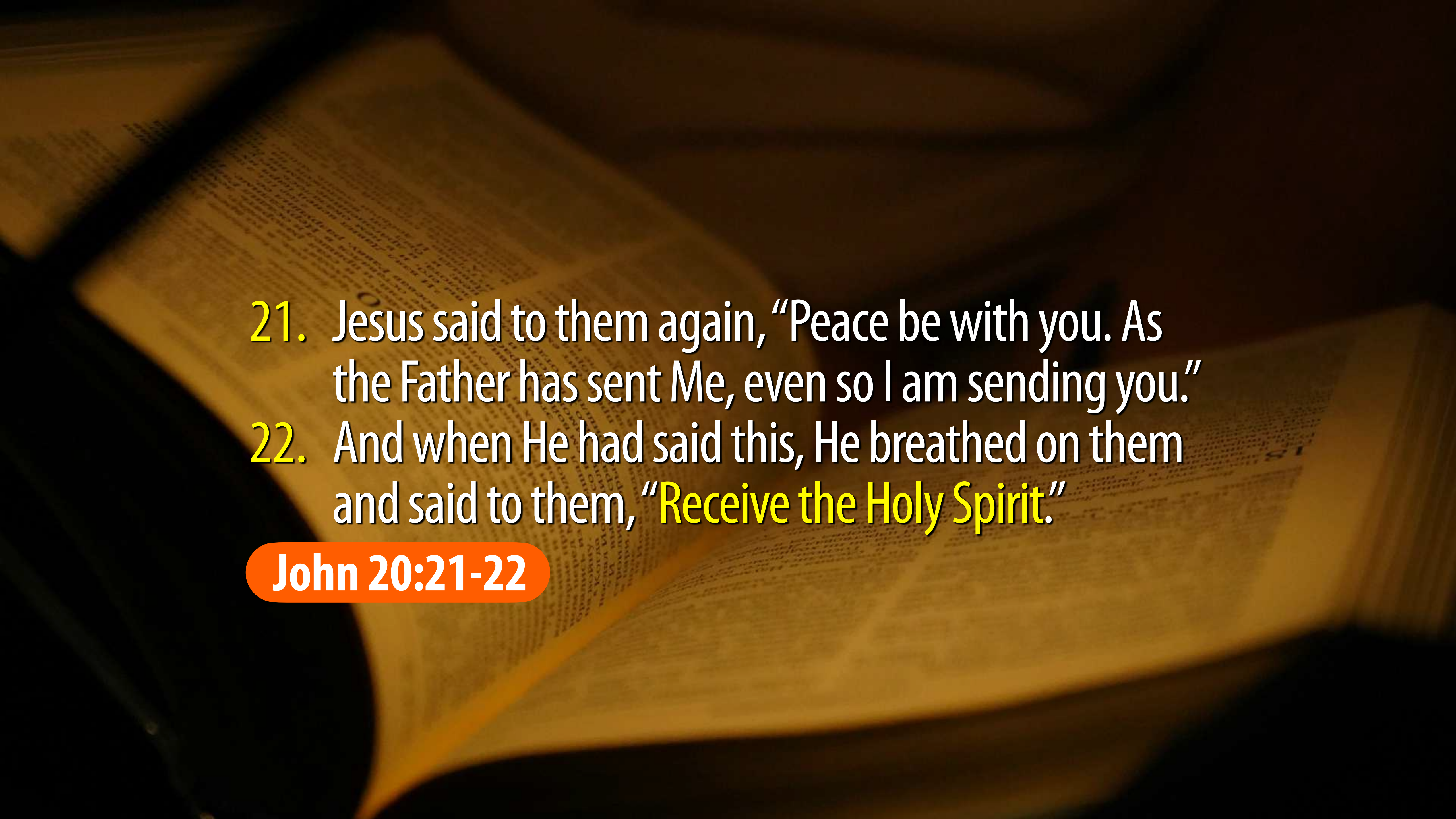
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- 8. And He, when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment;
  - 9. concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me;
  - 10. and concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father and you no longer see Me;
  - 11. and concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world has been judged.

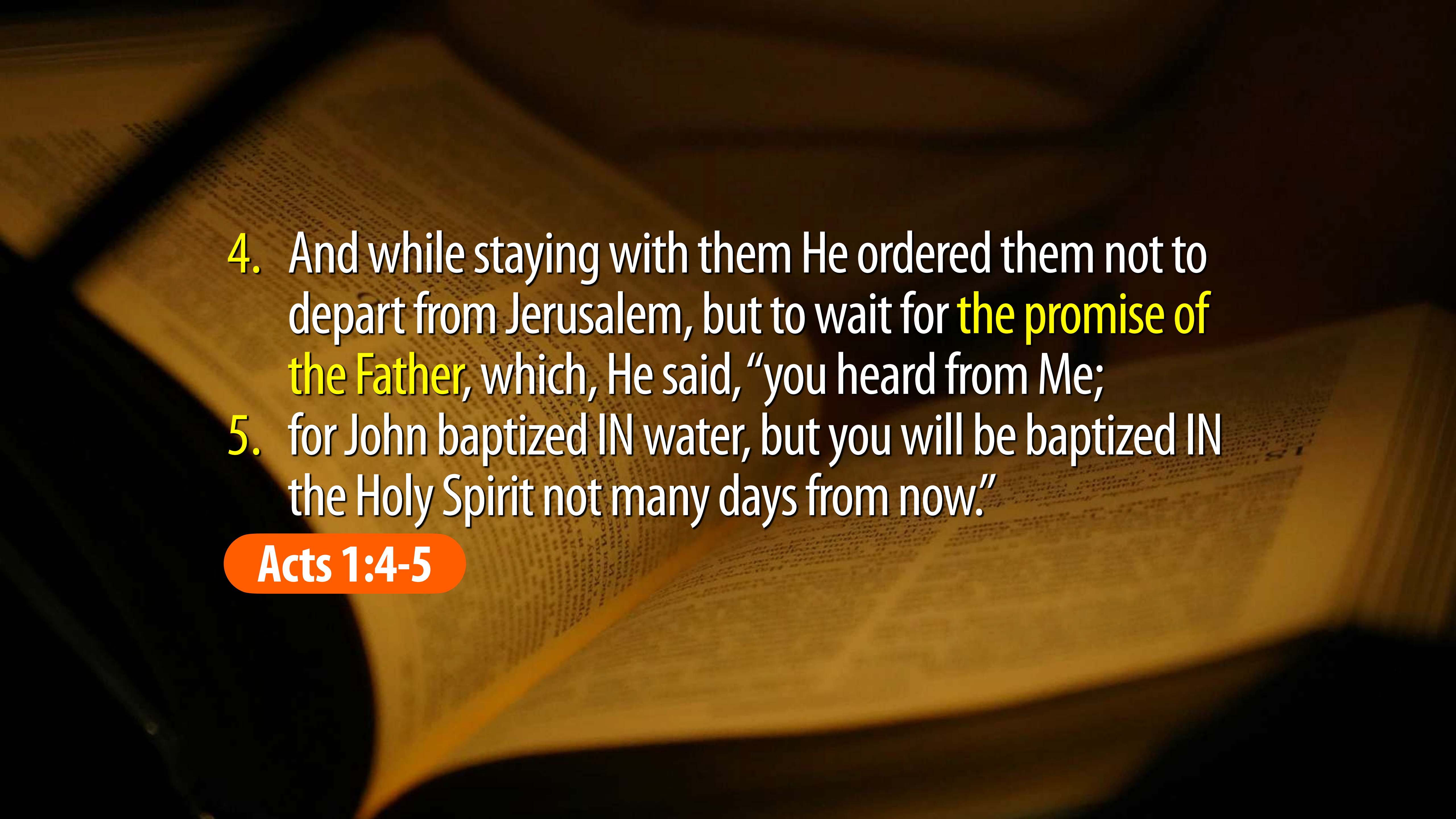
**John 16:8-11**

12. I have many more things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.
13. But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come.
14. He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and will disclose it to you.
15. All things that the Father has are Mine; therefore I said that He takes of Mine and will disclose it to you.

**John 16:12-15**

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21. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, even so I am sending you."
22. And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

**John 20:21-22**

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4. And while staying with them He ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for **the promise of the Father**, which, He said, “you heard from Me;
  5. for John baptized IN water, but you will be baptized IN the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

**Acts 1:4-5**

# **1** We live in the Age of the Holy Spirit

# THE AGE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

- The Age of the Holy Spirit refers to the period after Jesus' ascension and before His return, marked by the Holy Spirit's active role in guiding, empowering and sanctifying believers.
- The Age of the Holy Spirit is the age of the Church and is characterised by the ongoing work of salvation, the experience of Pentecost with the Holy Spirit actively working to build and shape the community of believers.

# THE AGE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

- The Age of the Holy Spirit is a period of anticipation for the second coming of Christ as the Bridegroom for His Bride. Today, the Holy Spirit is preparing believers for that future event.
- The Age of the Holy Spirit in which we are now living, is an age where Jesus is no longer with us in bodily form, but in a new way- in the presence of the Holy Spirit.

# **THE AGE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

The Holy Spirit is the operational member of the Godhead in the earth today, in this Age of the Holy Spirit. That means that while Jesus, the Head of the Church, is absent in bodily form because He is at the right hand of the Father, Jesus is present with us by the presence of the Holy Spirit & Jesus is with us by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The work of the Spirit in the Church is set forth in the promises of Jesus on the eve of His departure, and demonstrated in the Acts of the Apostles. The Gospels "tell of all that Jesus began to do and to teach, until the day in which He was received up," and the Acts of the Apostles tell of all that He continued to do and to teach after the day in which He was received up. **The Holy Spirit is the active, administrative Agent of the glorified Son. He is the Paraclete, the Deputy, the acting Representative of the Ascended Christ.**

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**Samuel Chadwick**

The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit is the  
touchstone of faith; the one article  
by which the Church stands or falls.

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John Owen

We are living under the dispensation of the  
Spirit; in that character God now reveals  
Himself to His people. He who does not know  
God the Holy Spirit cannot know God at all.

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Thomas Arnold



Do we understand the Doctrine of the Holy Spirit?

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**1** We live in the Age of the Holy Spirit

**2** The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit

Theologians call this doctrine "Pneumatology." The term is essentially derived from two Greek words: pneuma and logos. Pneuma means "breath" or "spirit." Logos means "word" or "doctrine." So, pneumatology is "the word of the Spirit" or "the doctrine of the Spirit."

## Two Key Truths

- ▶ The deity of the Holy Spirit must be emphasised and understood in all of the aspects that that term (deity) demands.
- ▶ The personality (or personhood) of the Holy Spirit must be emphasised and understood.

# The Doctrine of the Trinity

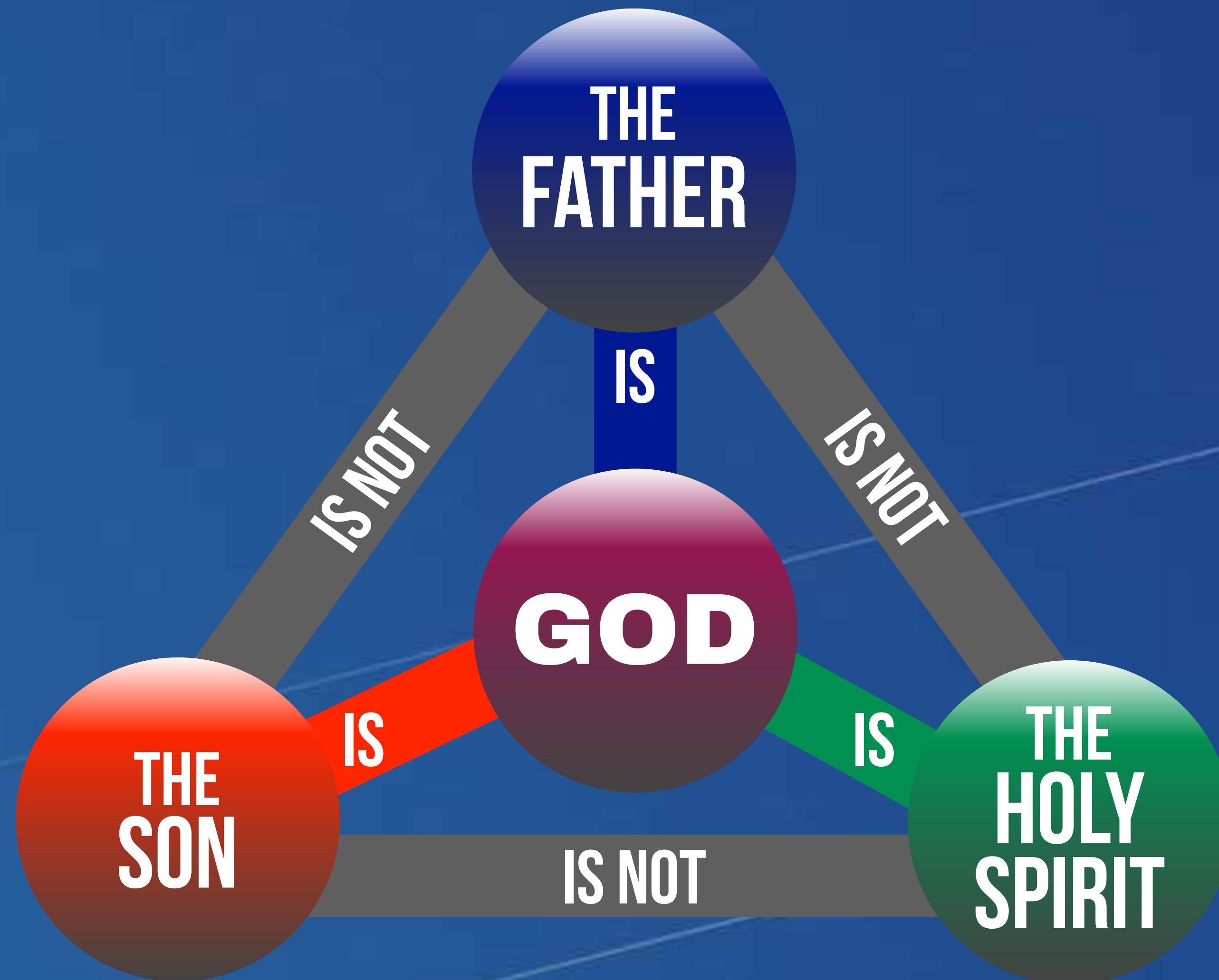
The doctrine of the Trinity teaches that there is one God who eternally exists as three distinct Persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Stated differently, there is one God, but this one God exists as three distinct Persons within one divine being.

These definitions express three crucial truths:

- ▶ The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are distinct Persons
- ▶ Each Person is fully God
- ▶ There is only one God

# THE TRINITY

One God in Three Co-Equal Persons



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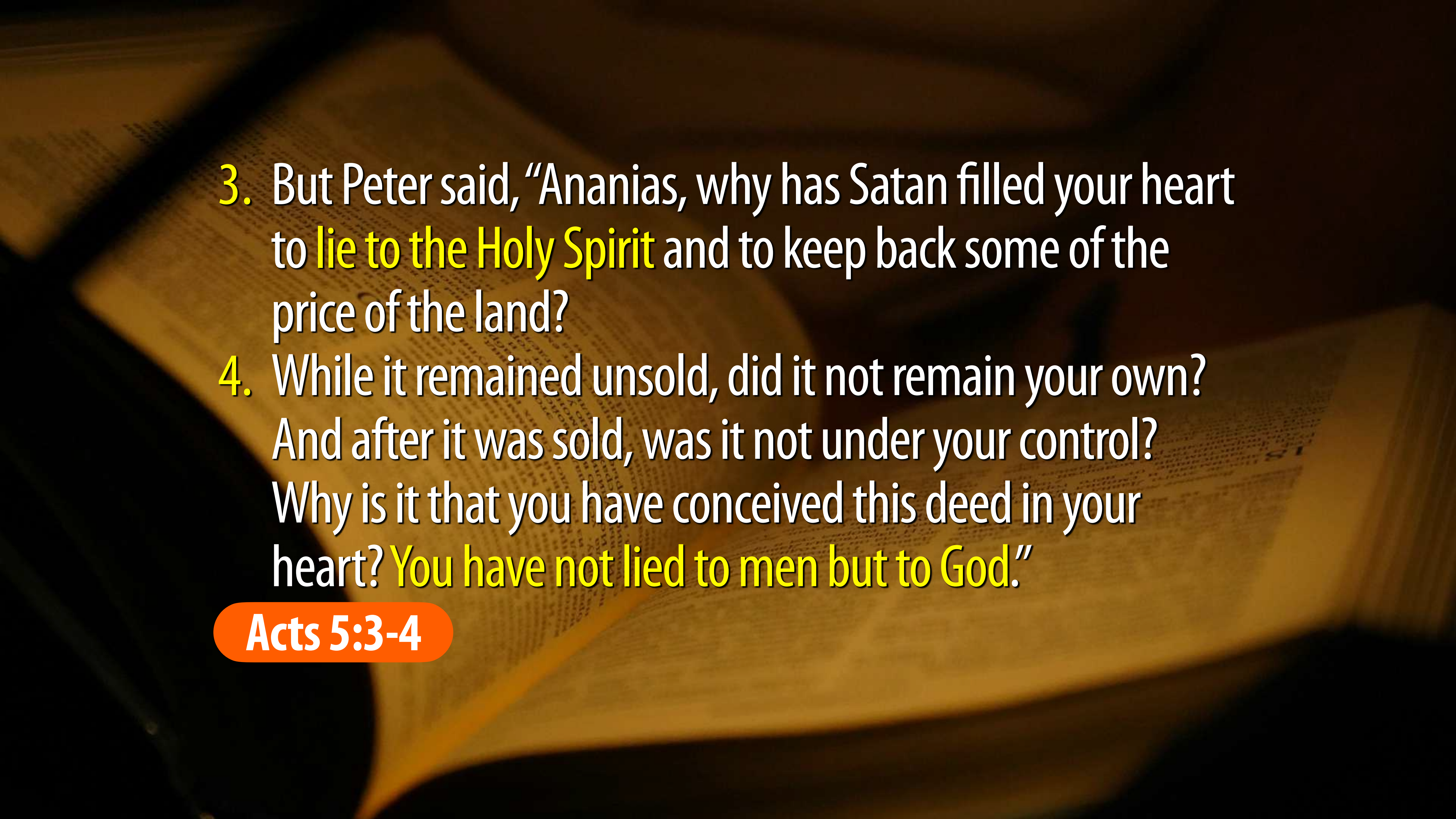
**One God in Three Co-Equal Persons**  
**NOT a hierarchy but a difference**  
**in functions or roles**



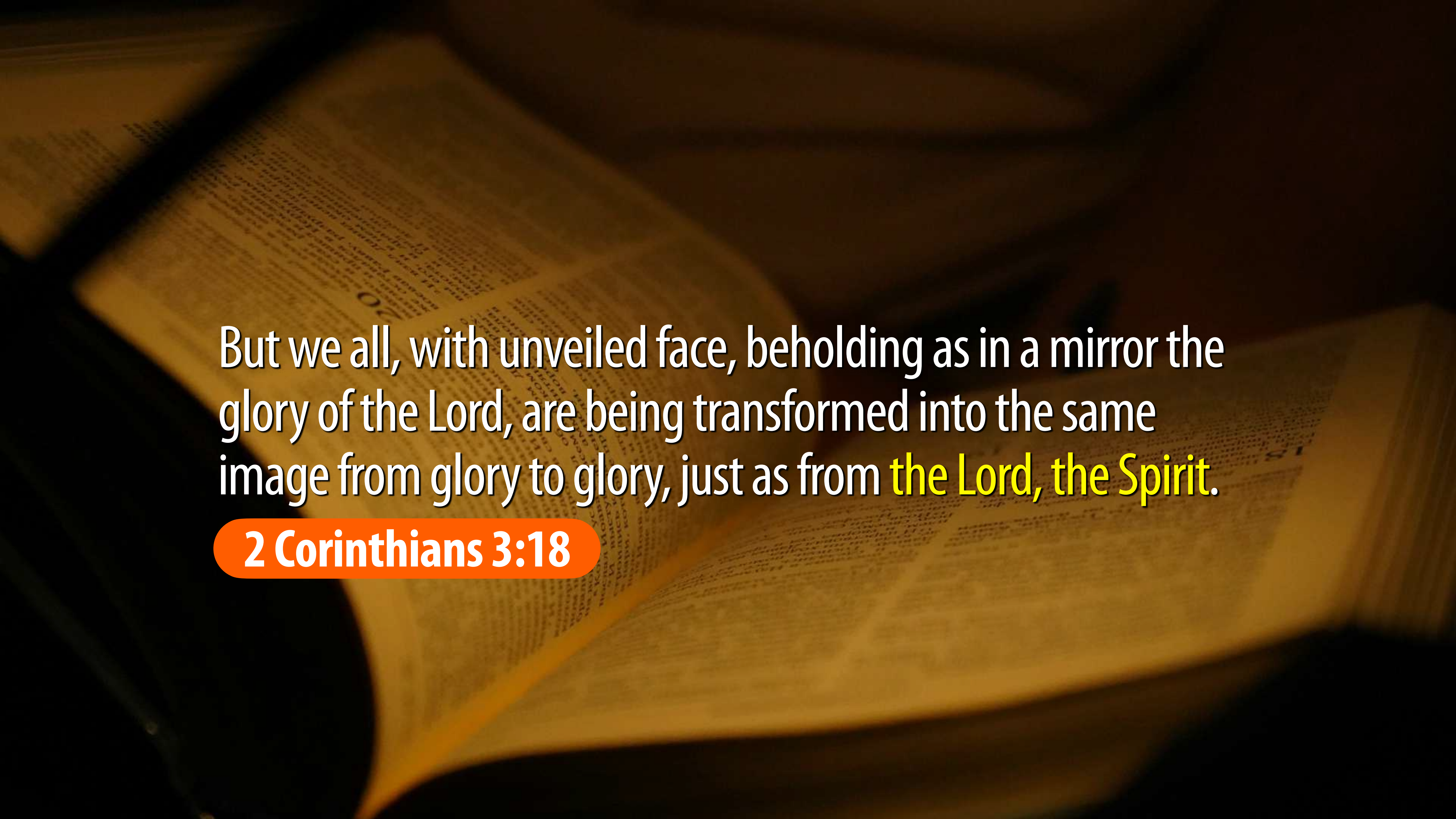
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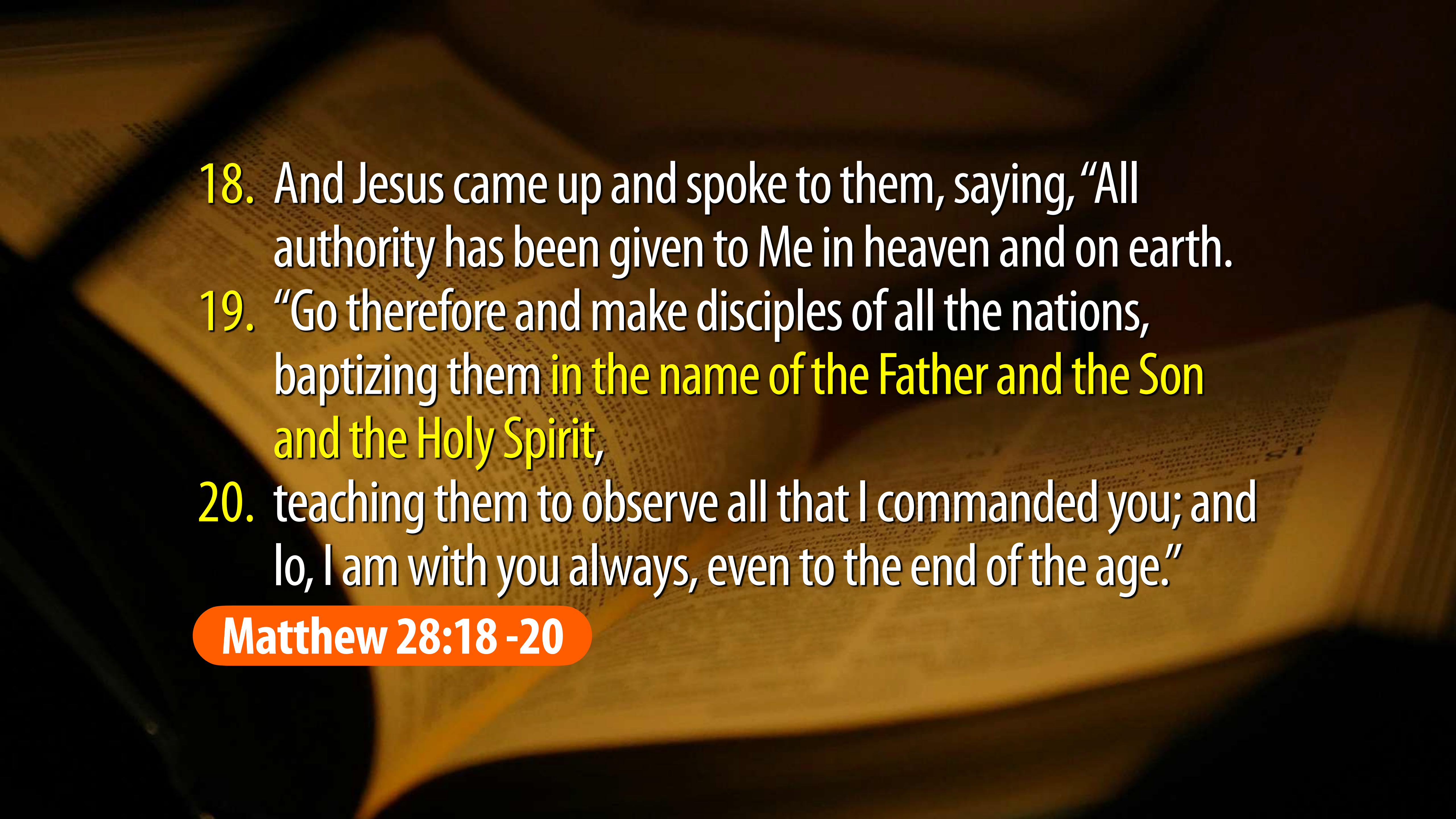
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3. But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to **lie to the Holy Spirit** and to keep back some of the price of the land?
  4. While it remained unsold, did it not remain your own? And after it was sold, was it not under your control? Why is it that you have conceived this deed in your heart? **You have not lied to men but to God.**"

**Acts 5:3-4**




But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from **the Lord, the Spirit**.

**2 Corinthians 3:18**

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18. And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.
19. "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them **in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,**
20. teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

**Matthew 28:18 -20**

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The grace (favour and spiritual blessing) of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the presence and fellowship (the communion and sharing together, and participation) in the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen (so be it).

**2 Corinthians 13:14** (Amplified Bible)

# The Deity of the Holy Spirit

- seen in the following Divine Attributes

- ▶ The Holy Spirit is **OMNIPOTENT** (unlimited in power)
- ▶ The Holy Spirit is **OMNIPRESENT** (everywhere at all times)
- ▶ The Holy Spirit is **OMNISCIENT** (unlimited in knowledge & wisdom)
- ▶ The Holy Spirit is **HOLY** (in nature & essence)
- ▶ The Holy Spirit is **ETERNAL** (without beginning or end)
- ▶ The Holy Spirit is **LIFE** (originator of life, the Spirit of Life)
- ▶ The Holy Spirit is **TRUTH** (inherently truth, free of any falsehood)

# The Divine Works of the Holy Spirit

## The Holy Spirit:

- ▶ was involved in Creation
- ▶ was involved in bringing forth the Messiah
- ▶ inspired men to write the Scriptures
- ▶ is involved in the work of regeneration (new birth)
- ▶ imparts new life to those who are saved
- ▶ is involved in the ongoing work of sanctification
- ▶ is the One that Jesus baptises believers in

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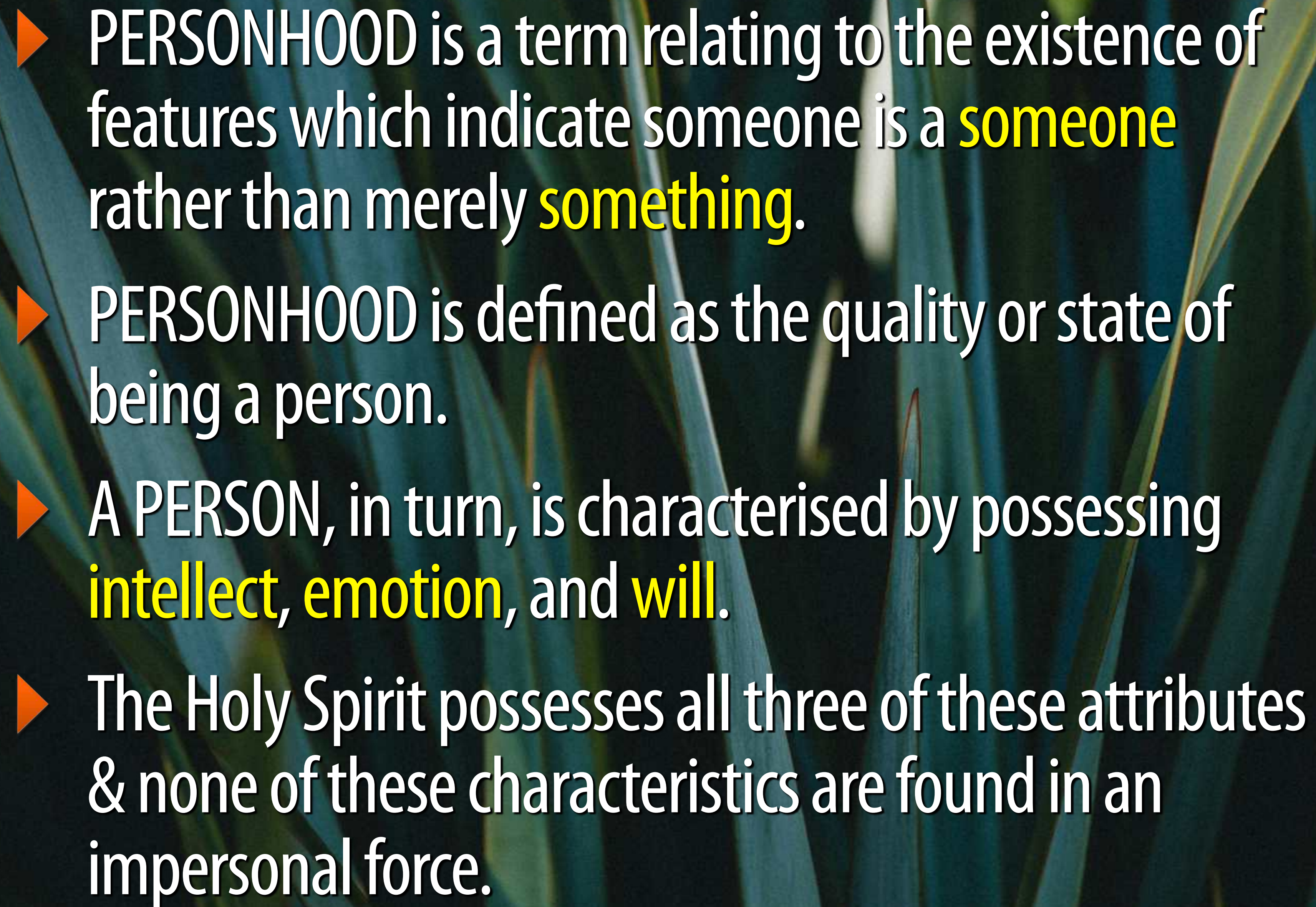
# The Deity of the Holy Spirit

- ▶ The Holy Spirit **IS** God
- ▶ The Holy Spirit **IS** the Third Person of the Trinity



# The Personhood of the Holy Spirit

- ▶ The Holy Spirit is a DIVINE PERSON
- ▶ The Holy Spirit is NOT an impersonal force, an energy, a power or a presence

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- ▶ PERSONHOOD is a term relating to the existence of features which indicate someone is a **someone** rather than merely **something**.
  - ▶ PERSONHOOD is defined as the quality or state of being a person.
  - ▶ A PERSON, in turn, is characterised by possessing **intellect**, **emotion**, and **will**.
  - ▶ The Holy Spirit possesses all three of these attributes & none of these characteristics are found in an impersonal force.

# Intellect

- ▶ **Isaiah 11:2**: the Holy Spirit has knowledge and wisdom and provides counsel and understanding.
- ▶ **John 14:26**: The Holy Spirit teaches the believers and brings to remembrance all that Jesus has said.
- ▶ **John 15:26, Romans 8:16**: the Holy Spirit bears witness of the Messiah.
- ▶ **I Corinthians 2:10-13**: the Holy Spirit knows the thoughts of God and teaches truth.
- ▶ **Ephesians 1:17**: it is the Holy Spirit who gives wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of God.

# Emotions

- ▶ **Isaiah 63:10**: the Holy Spirit has the ability to grieve.
- ▶ **Romans 15:30**: the Holy Spirit can love.
- ▶ **Ephesians 4:30** repeats that the Holy Spirit experiences grief.
- ▶ **I Thessalonians 5:19**: the Holy Spirit can be quenched.

# Will

Throughout the book of Acts, the Holy Spirit is portrayed as actively guiding Paul and the apostles, sometimes in rather dramatic ways.

- ▶ **Acts 16:6–10**: the Holy Spirit can forbid things.
- ▶ **I Corinthians 12:11**: The Holy Spirit distributes the gifts as He wills.
- ▶ **Acts 13:2**: While they were ministering to the Lord and fasting, **the Holy Spirit said**, “Set apart for Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which **I have called them**.”

# The Holy Spirit Performs the Works of a Person

## The Holy Spirit:

- ▶ creates
- ▶ restrains sin
- ▶ empowers
- ▶ teaches
- ▶ comforts
- ▶ guides & leads
- ▶ convicts
- ▶ testifies & witnesses
- ▶ issues orders
- ▶ performs miracles
- ▶ sends
- ▶ speaks
- ▶ prays & intercedes

A biblical pneumatology rests on the belief that the Holy Spirit is neither a presence nor a power, but a person of the triune Godhead.

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Arnold Fructenbaum

The Church still has a theology of the Holy Spirit, but it has no living consciousness of His presence and power. Theology without experience is like faith without works: it is dead. The signs of death abound. Prayer-meetings have died out because men did not believe in the Holy Spirit. The liberty of prophesying has gone because men believe in investigation and not in inspiration. There is a dearth of conversions because faith about the New Birth as a creative act of the Holy Spirit has lost its grip on intellect and heart. The experience of the Second Gift of Grace is no longer preached and testified, because Christian experience, though it may have to begin in the Spirit, must be perfected in the wisdom of the flesh and the culture of the schools.

Samuel Chadwick

The Church has lost the note of authority, the secret of wisdom, and the gift of power, through persistent and wilful neglect of the Holy Spirit of God. Confusion and impotence are inevitable when the wisdom and resources of the world are substituted for the presence and power of the Spirit of God.

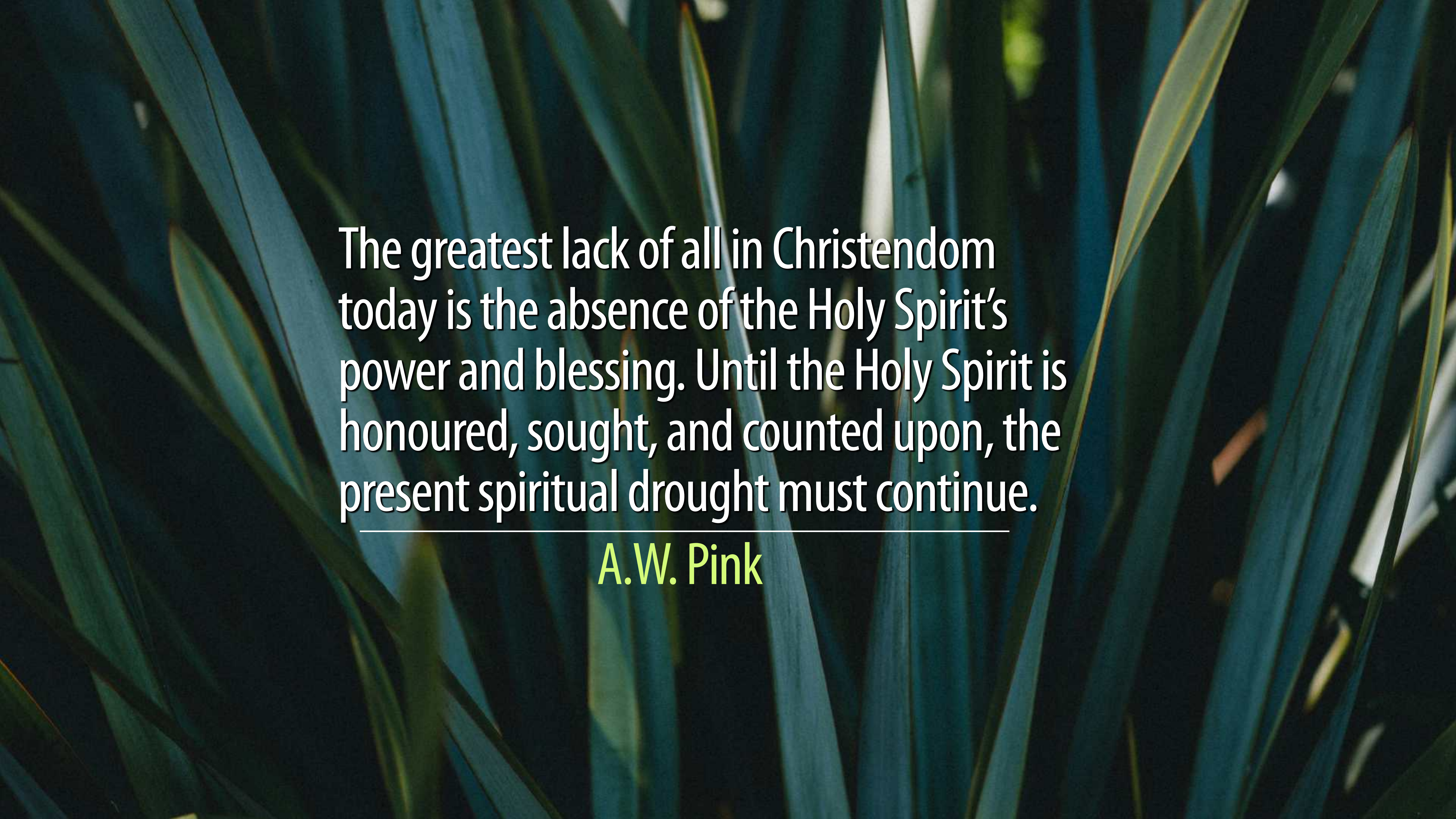
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The chief danger that confronts the coming century will be religion without the Holy Ghost, Christianity without Christ, forgiveness without repentance, salvation without regeneration, politics without God, heaven without hell.

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**William Booth**

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The greatest lack of all in Christendom today is the absence of the Holy Spirit's power and blessing. Until the Holy Spirit is honoured, sought, and counted upon, the present spiritual drought must continue.

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A.W. Pink

The Church is the creation of the Holy Spirit.  
It is a community of believers who owe  
their religious life from first to last to the  
Spirit. Apart from Him there can be neither  
Christian nor Church.

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Samuel Chadwick

Surely the 'last days' and the 'perilous times,' so expressly spoken of by the Spirit, are come (1 Tim. 4:1). The flood gates of heresy are broken up, and are pouring forth their deadly poison in various streams through the land. In a more daring and open manner the denial of the Person, Godhead, and Ministry of the Holy Spirit is come forward and indicates the tempest to follow. In such a season it is needful to contend, and that, 'earnestly, for the faith once delivered unto the saints.' Now in a more awakened manner ought the people of God to remember the words of Jesus, and 'to hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.'

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Robert Hawker (The Person, Godhead, and Ministry of the Holy Spirit" (1817)



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