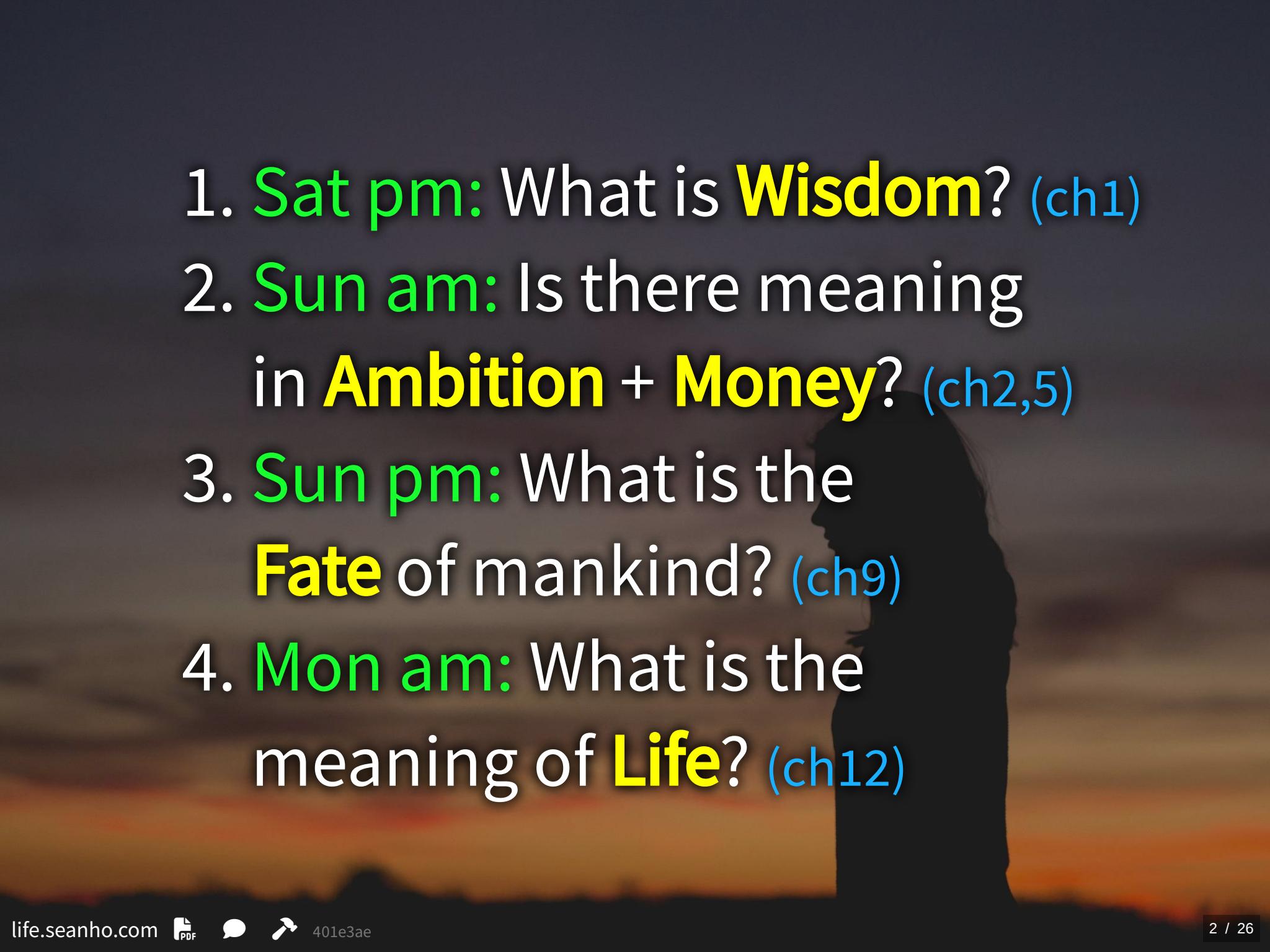


Life

Ecclesiastes 12

The Search for Meaning (4/4)

Montreal, CA. Marc-Olivier Jodoin

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- A dark silhouette of a person's head and shoulders is centered against a background of a sunset or sunrise with warm orange and yellow hues.
1. Sat pm: What is **Wisdom**? (ch1)
 2. Sun am: Is there meaning in **Ambition** + **Money**? (ch2,5)
 3. Sun pm: What is the **Fate** of mankind? (ch9)
 4. Mon am: What is the meaning of **Life**? (ch12)

**What is
the meaning of life?**

1 Remember also your Creator in the days of
your youth,
before the evil days come

and the years draw near of which you will say,
“I have no pleasure in them” ...

Ecclesiastes 12:1 (ESV) (p.1/3)

7 and the dust returns to the earth as it was,
and the spirit returns to God who gave it.

8 Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher; all is
vanity.

11 The words of the wise are like goads,
and like nails firmly fixed are the collected
sayings;
they are given by one Shepherd.

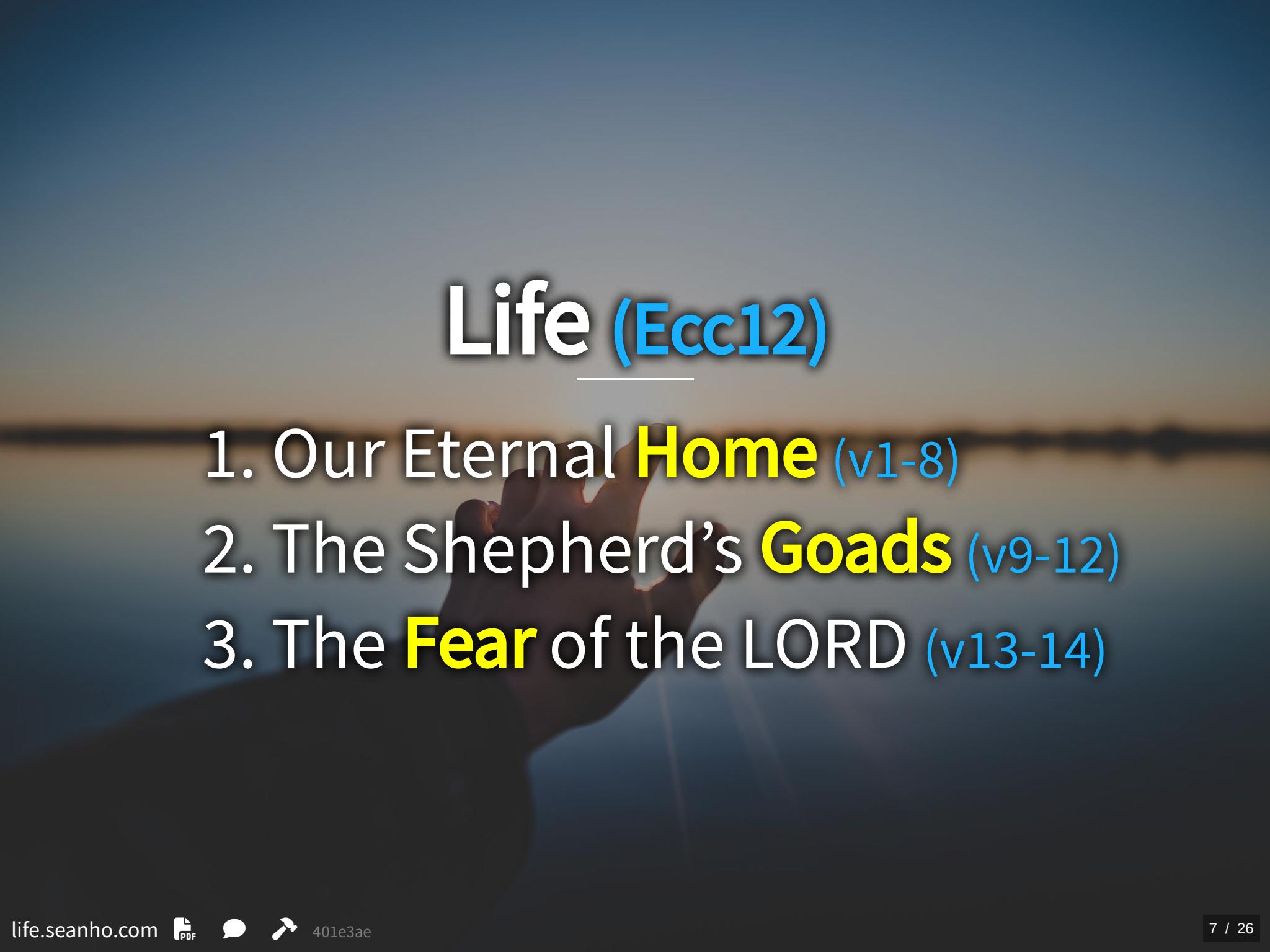
Ecclesiastes 12:7-8,11 (ESV) (p.2/3)

13 The end of the matter; all has been heard.
Fear God and keep his commandments,
for this is the whole duty of man.

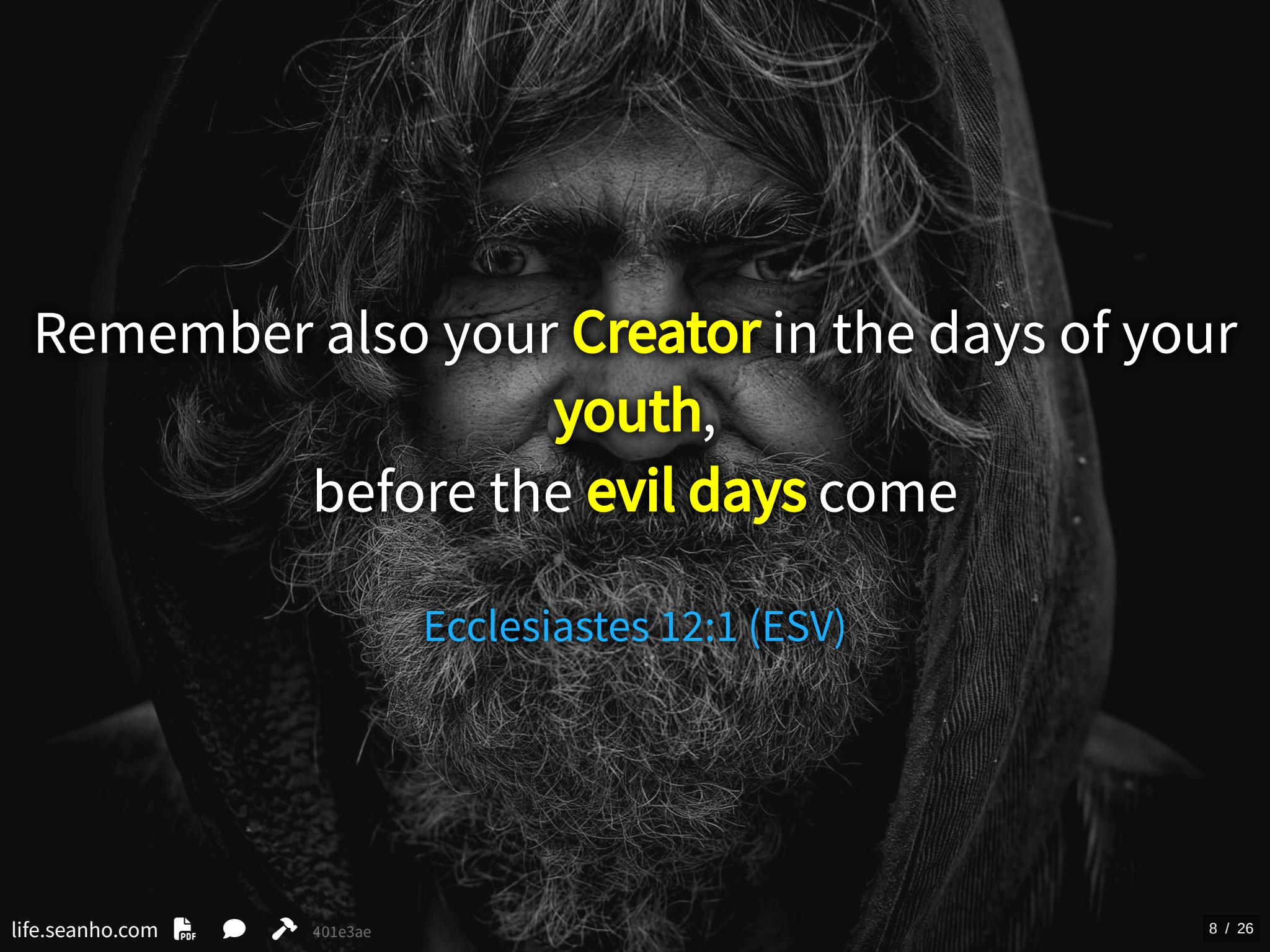
14 For God will bring every deed into judgment,
with every secret thing, whether good or evil.

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 (ESV) (p.3/3)

Life (Ecc12)

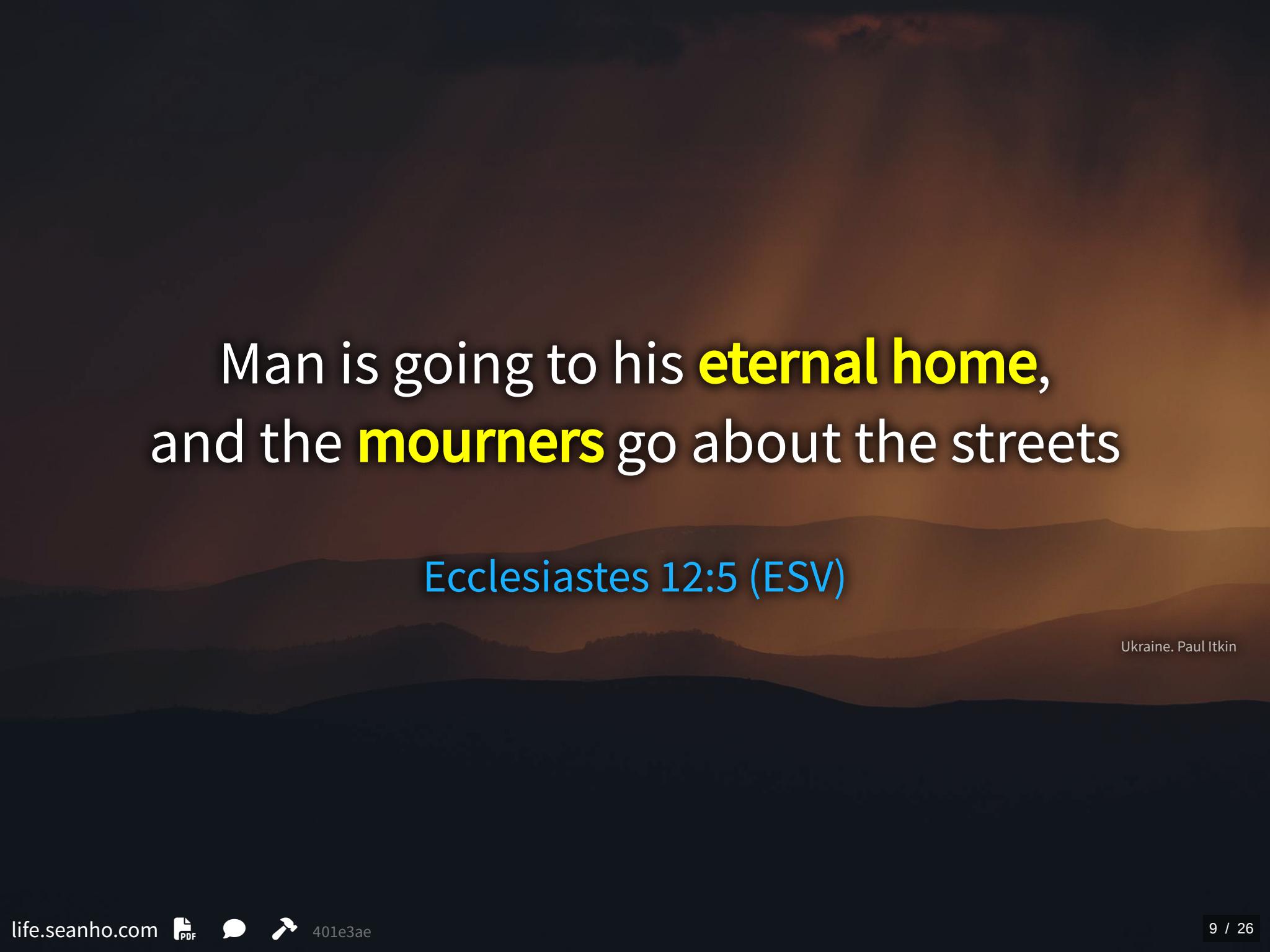
A photograph showing a person's hands clasped together in a prayerful gesture. The hands are positioned in the center foreground, with the fingers interlocked. The background is a soft-focus sunset or sunrise over a body of water, with warm orange and yellow hues blending into a darker blue sky. The overall atmosphere is contemplative and spiritual.

1. Our Eternal **Home** (v1-8)
2. The Shepherd's **Goads** (v9-12)
3. The **Fear** of the LORD (v13-14)



Remember also your **Creator** in the days of your
youth,
before the **evil days** come

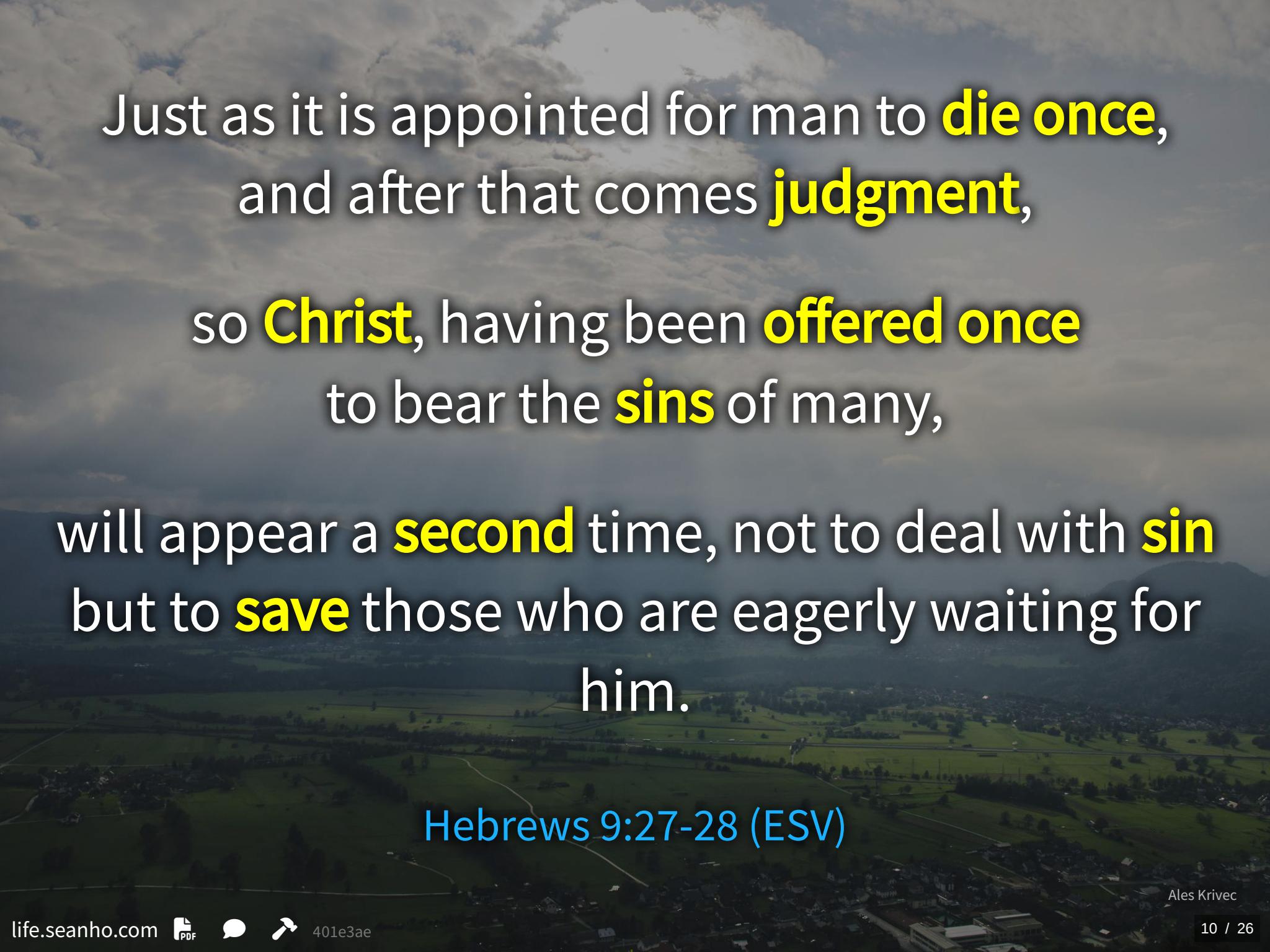
Ecclesiastes 12:1 (ESV)



Man is going to his **eternal home**,
and the **mourners** go about the streets

Ecclesiastes 12:5 (ESV)

Ukraine. Paul Itkin

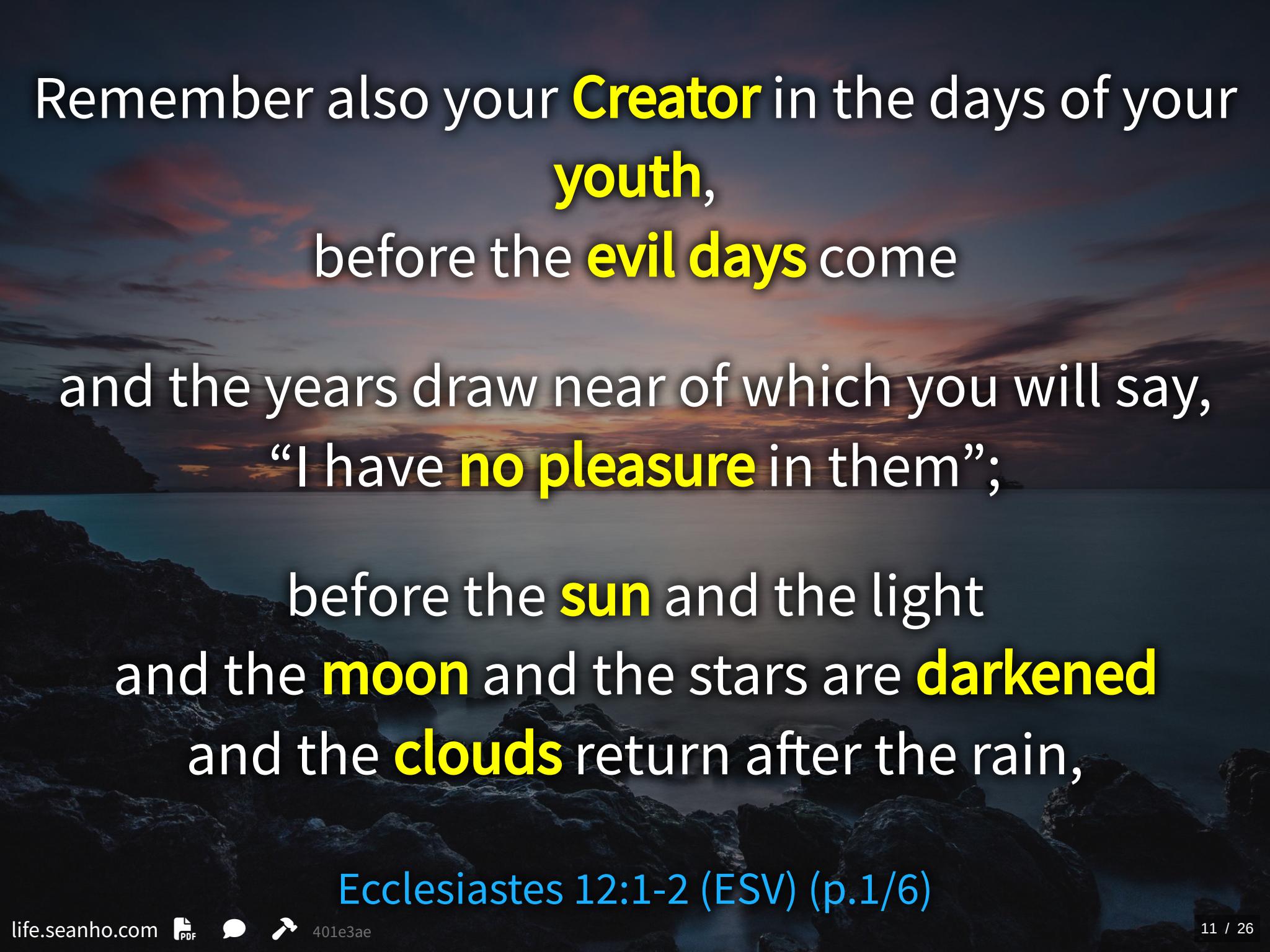


Just as it is appointed for man to **die once**,
and after that comes **judgment**,

so **Christ**, having been **offered once**
to bear the **sins** of many,

will appear a **second** time, not to deal with **sin**
but to **save** those who are eagerly waiting for
him.

Hebrews 9:27-28 (ESV)

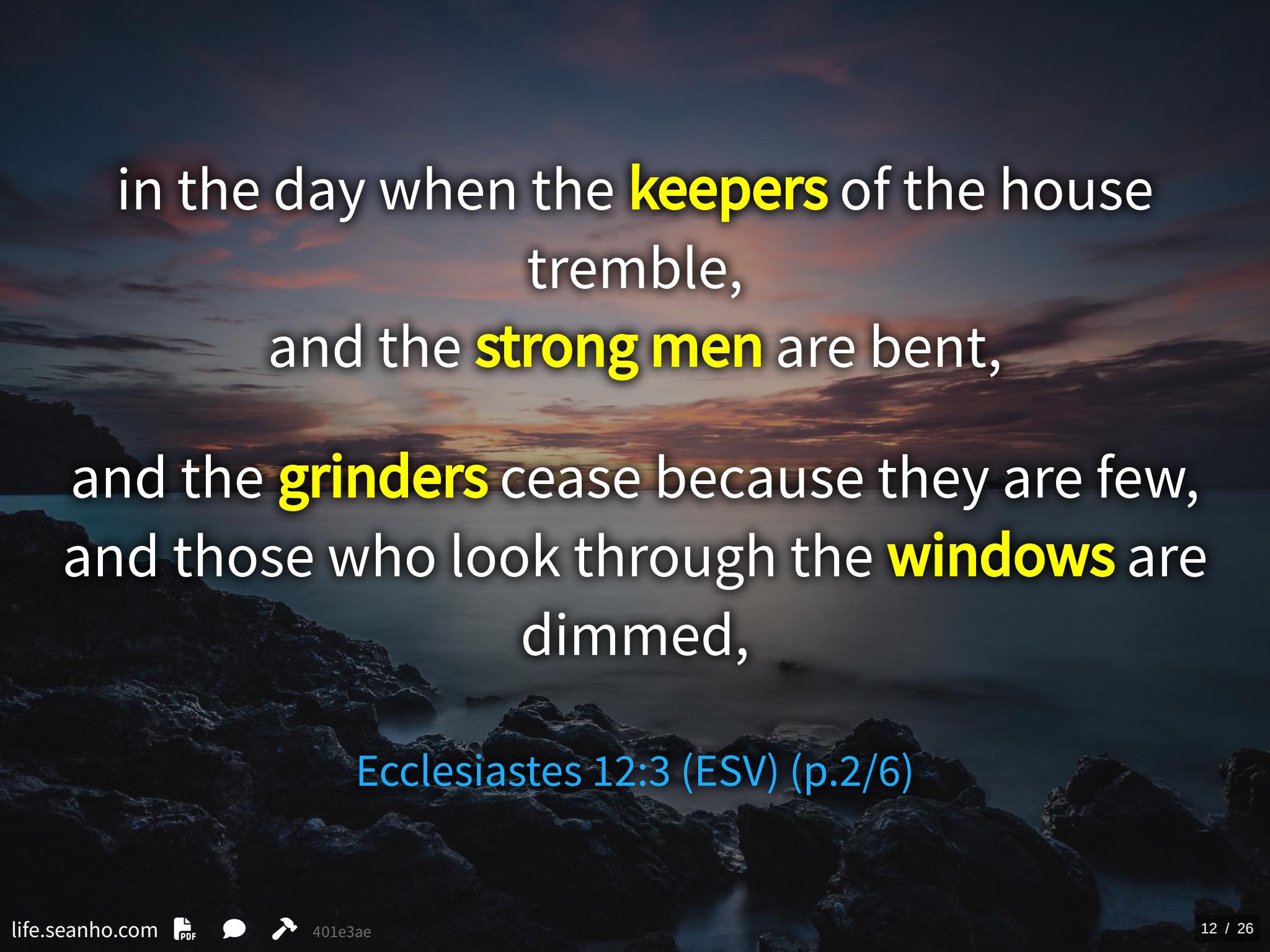


Remember also your **Creator** in the days of your
youth,
before the **evil days** come

and the years draw near of which you will say,
“I have **no pleasure** in them”;

before the **sun** and the light
and the **moon** and the stars are **darkened**
and the **clouds** return after the rain,

Ecclesiastes 12:1-2 (ESV) (p.1/6)

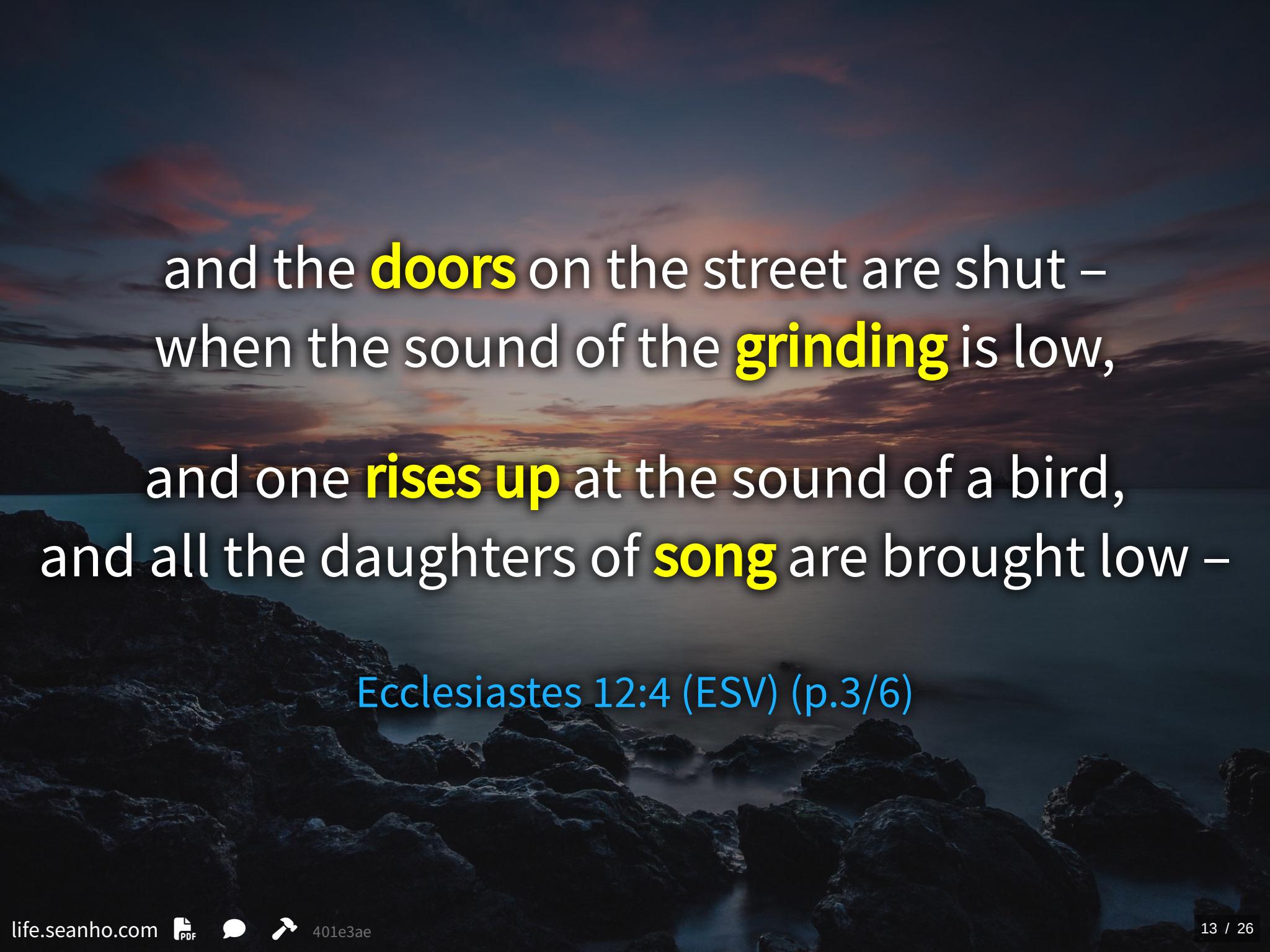


in the day when the **keepers** of the house
tremble,

and the **strong men** are bent,

and the **grinders** cease because they are few,
and those who look through the **windows** are
dimmed,

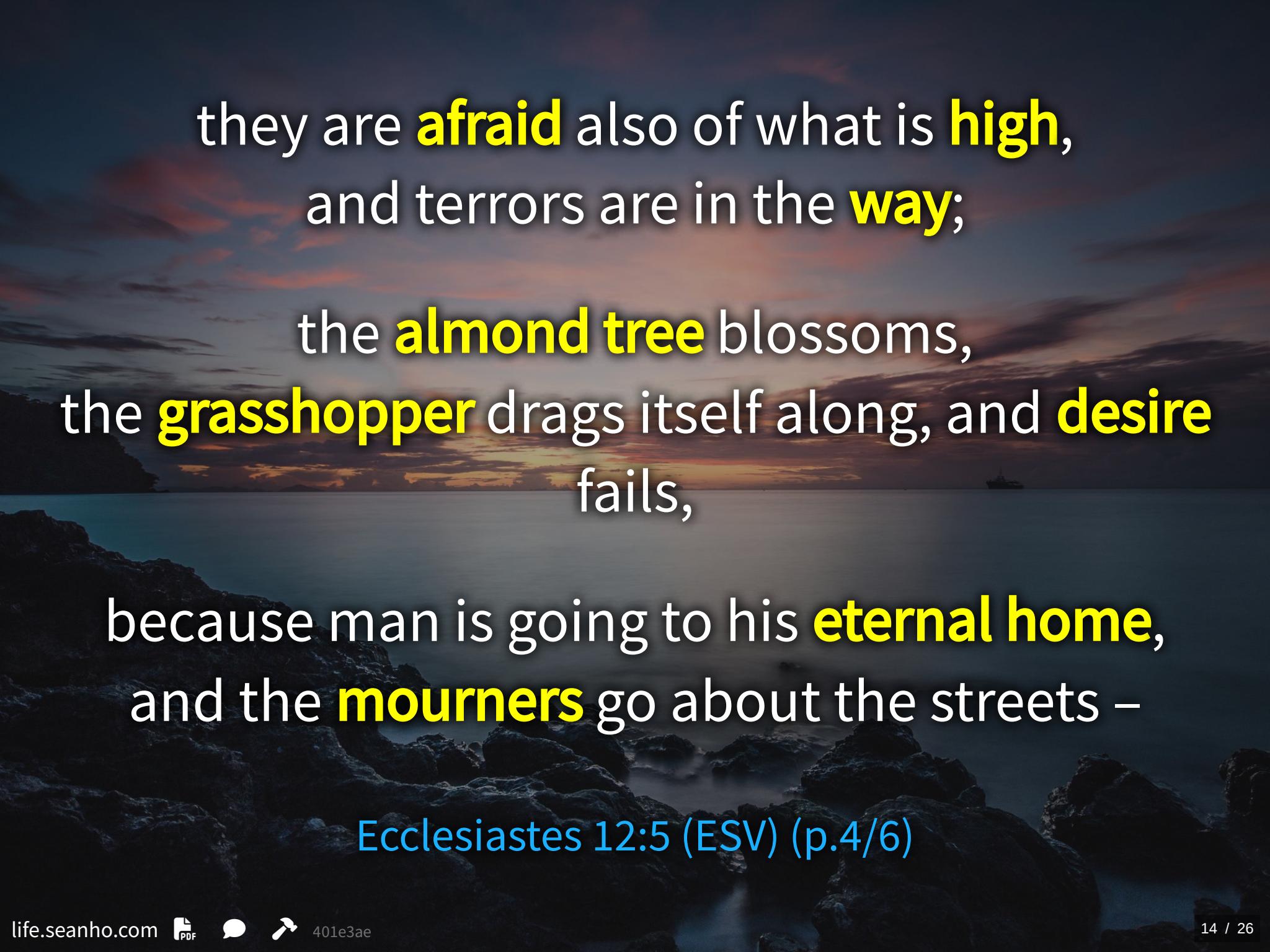
Ecclesiastes 12:3 (ESV) (p.2/6)



and the **doors** on the street are shut –
when the sound of the **grinding** is low,

and one **rises up** at the sound of a bird,
and all the daughters of **song** are brought low –

Ecclesiastes 12:4 (ESV) (p.3/6)

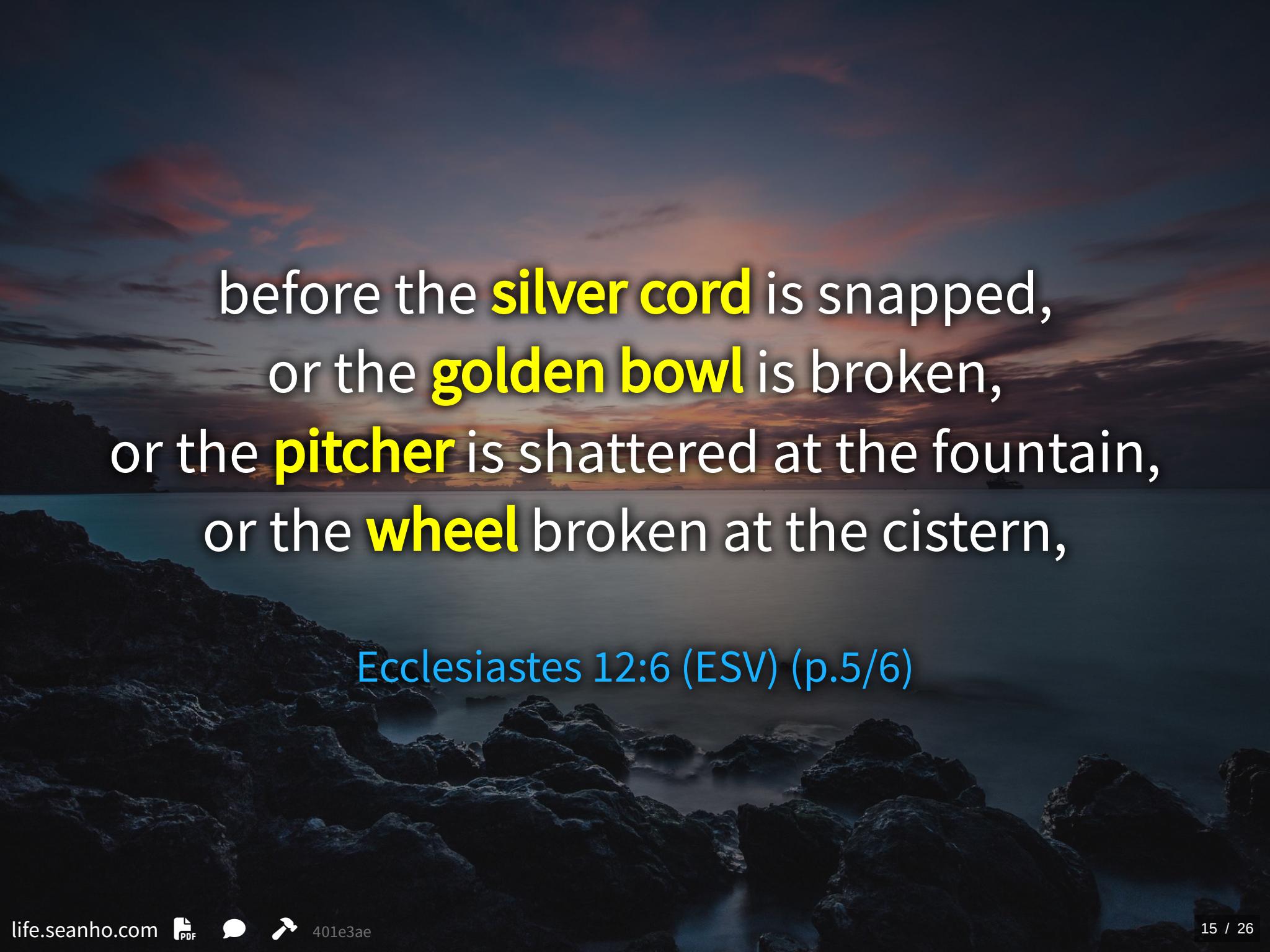


they are **afraid** also of what is **high**,
and terrors are in the **way**;

the **almond tree** blossoms,
the **grasshopper** drags itself along, and **desire**
fails,

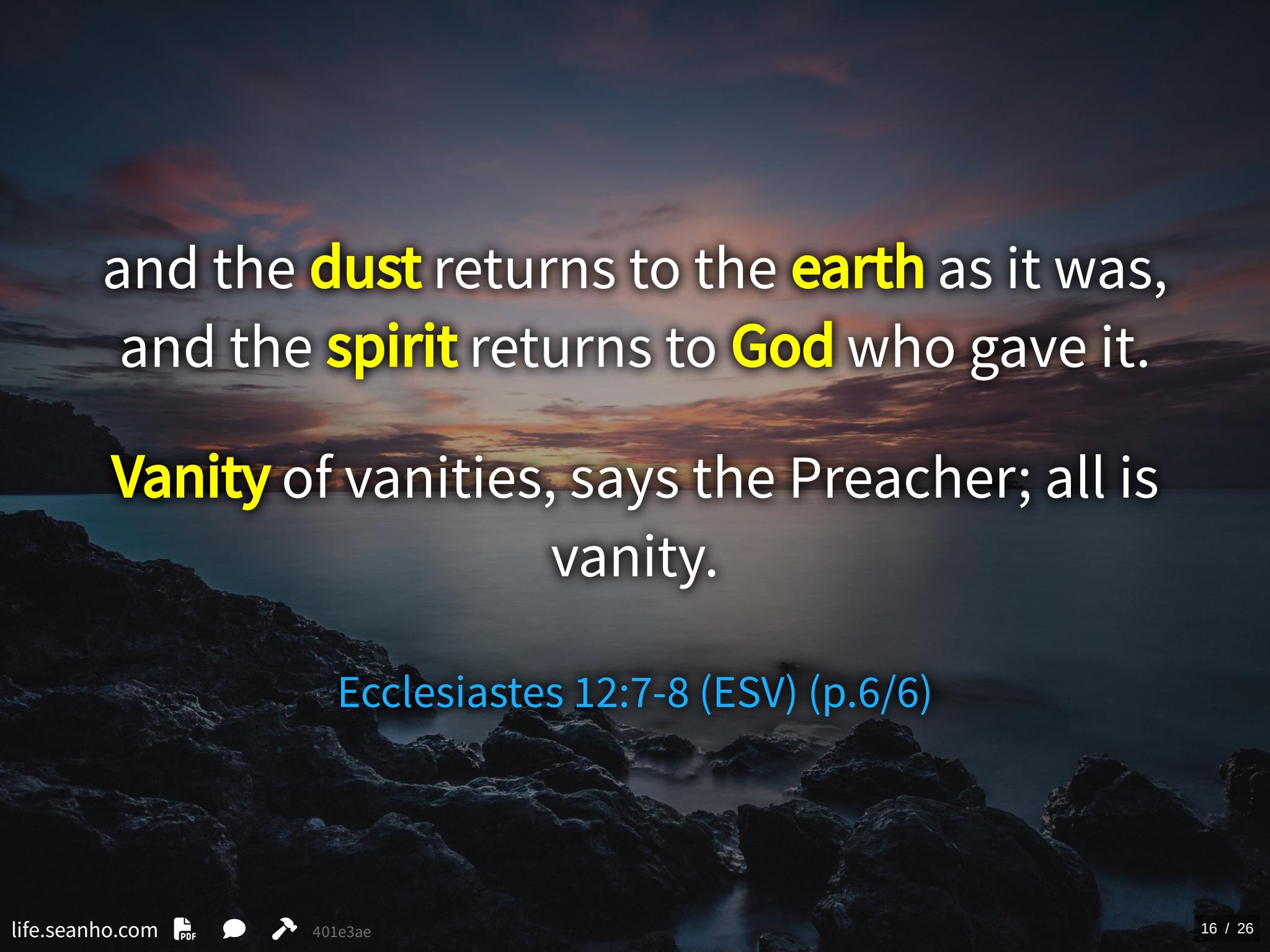
because man is going to his **eternal home**,
and the **mourners** go about the streets –

Ecclesiastes 12:5 (ESV) (p.4/6)



before the **silver cord** is snapped,
or the **golden bowl** is broken,
or the **pitcher** is shattered at the fountain,
or the **wheel** broken at the cistern,

Ecclesiastes 12:6 (ESV) (p.5/6)



and the **dust** returns to the **earth** as it was,
and the **spirit** returns to **God** who gave it.

Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher; all is
vanity.

Ecclesiastes 12:7-8 (ESV) (p.6/6)

Am I prepared to go
to my eternal
home?

Life (Ecc12)

1. Our Eternal Home (v1-8)
2. **The Shepherd's Goads** (v9-12)
3. The Fear of the LORD (v13-14)

The **words** of the wise are like **goads**,
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sayings;
they are given by one **Shepherd**.

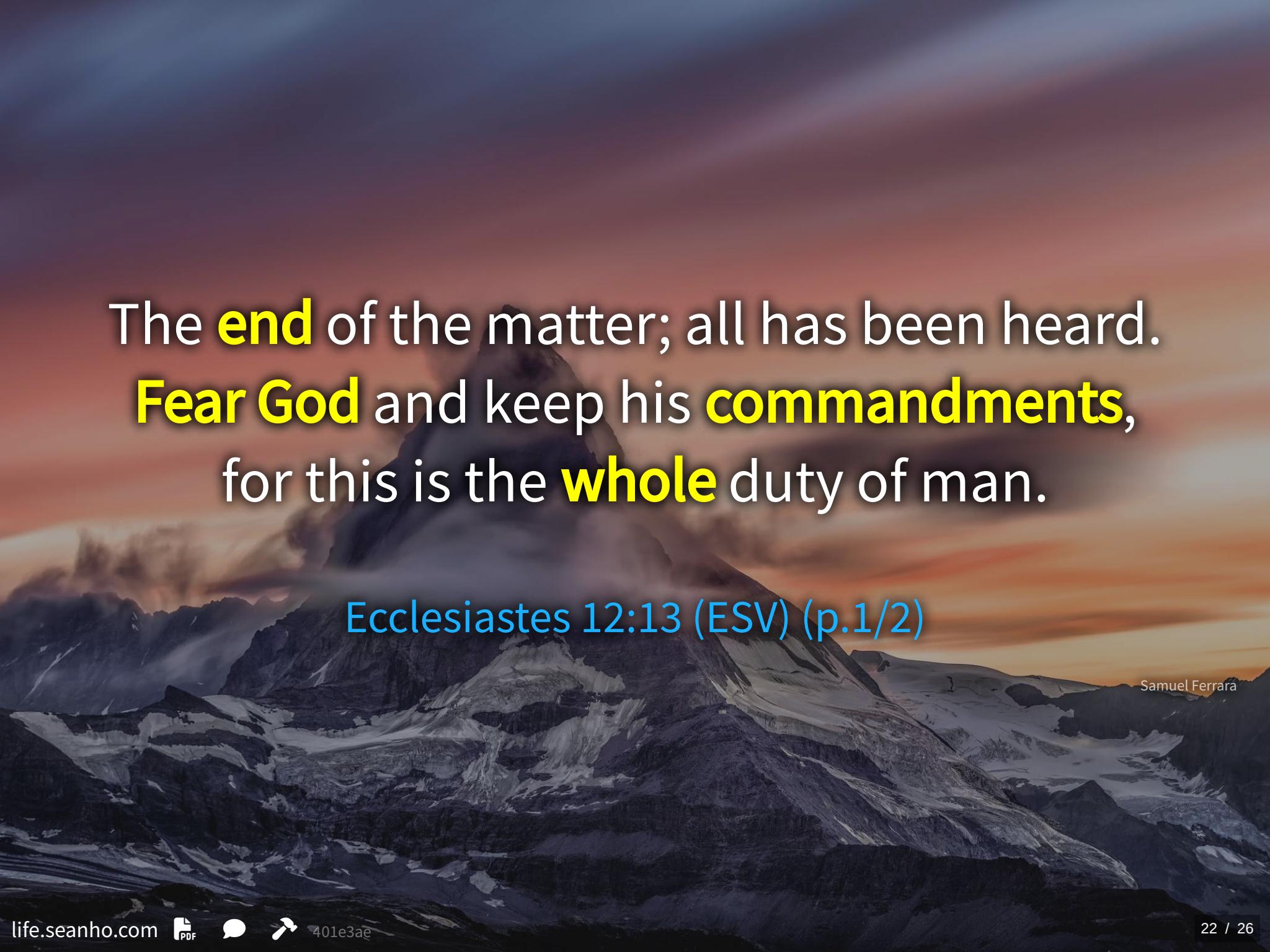
Ecclesiastes 12:11 (ESV)

Elephant Rock, Australia. Jordan Donaldson

**What words of
wisdom have been
goad ing me?**

Life (Ecc12)

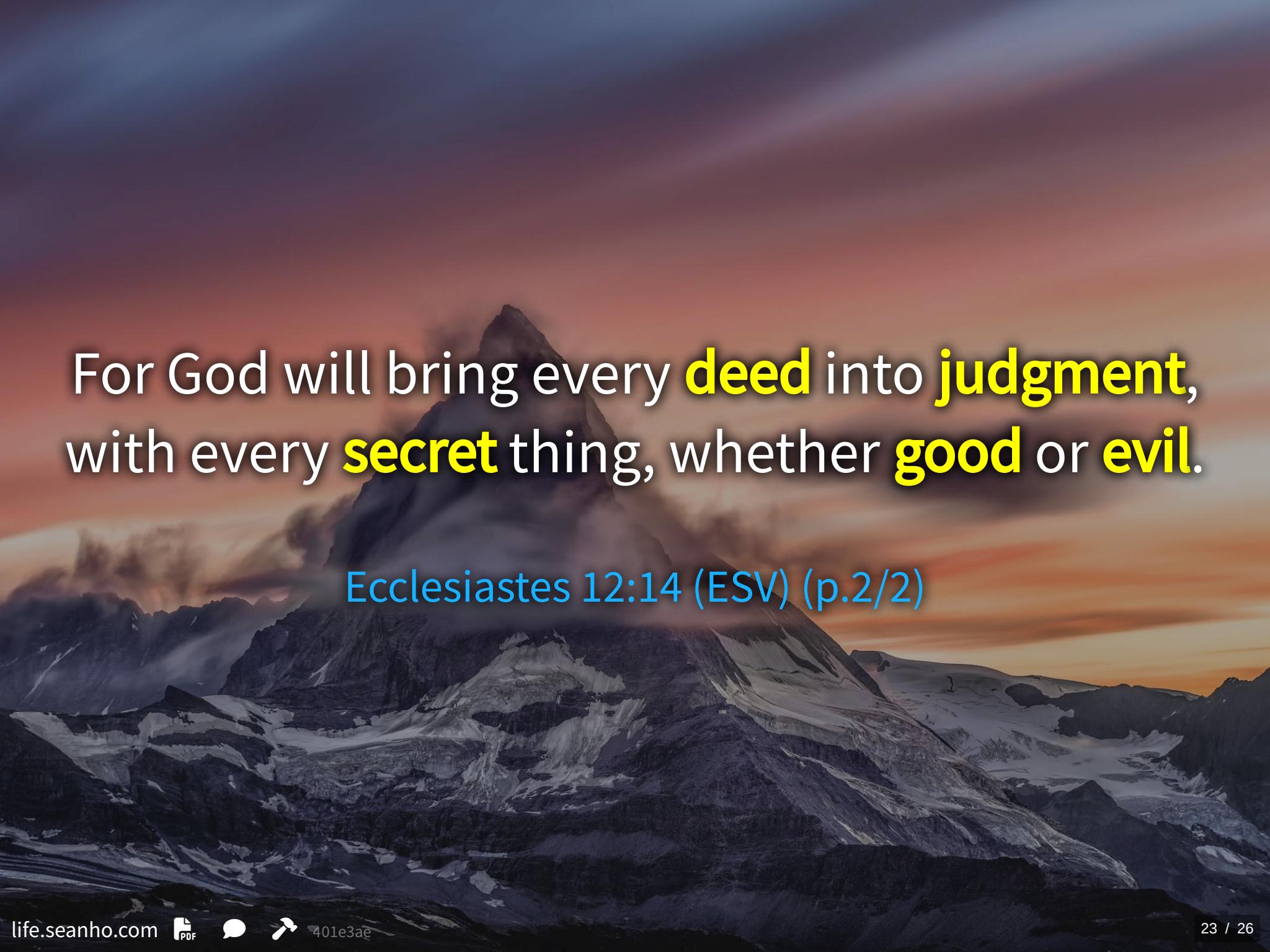
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The background image shows a majestic mountain range at dusk or dawn. The sky is filled with warm, orange, and yellow hues, transitioning into cooler blues and purples. The mountains are rugged, with dark, rocky slopes and patches of white snow on their peaks and ridges. The overall atmosphere is serene and awe-inspiring.

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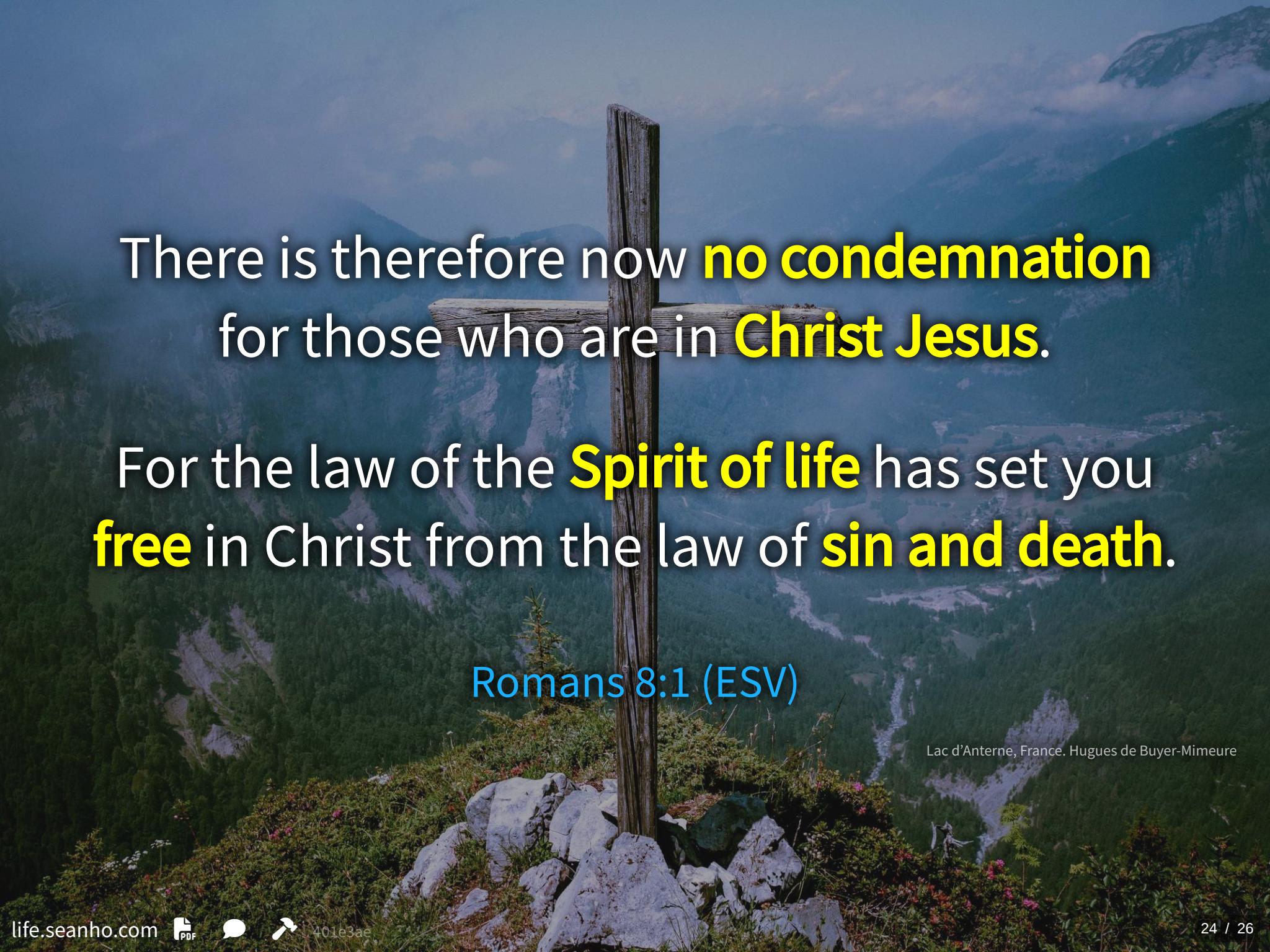
Ecclesiastes 12:13 (ESV) (p.1/2)

Samuel Ferrara



For God will bring every **deed** into **judgment**,
with every **secret** thing, whether **good** or **evil**.

Ecclesiastes 12:14 (ESV) (p.2/2)



There is therefore now **no condemnation**
for those who are in **Christ Jesus.**

For the law of the **Spirit of life** has set you
free in Christ from the law of **sin and death.**

Romans 8:1 (ESV)

Lac d'Anterne, France. Hugues de Buyer-Mimeure

**Will I trust Jesus
with my life?**

