



# One Foundation (4): Christian Life and Conduct

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**What good works  
are we to do?**

# One Foundation (Elbing)

1. **Creation** (who God is) (wk 1)
2. **Fall** (who we are) (wk 2)
3. **Redemption** (how we are saved)
  - a. Divine **Provision** (wk 2)
  - b. Human **Response**
    - **Faith** in Christ (wk 3)
    - **Life** and Conduct (wk 4)
  - c. **Consummation** (wk 5)



For we are his **workmanship**,  
created in Christ Jesus for **good works**,  
which God prepared beforehand,  
that we should **walk** in them.

Ephesians 2:10 (ESV)

A silhouette of a person holding a light source, possibly a candle or lantern, against a dark background.

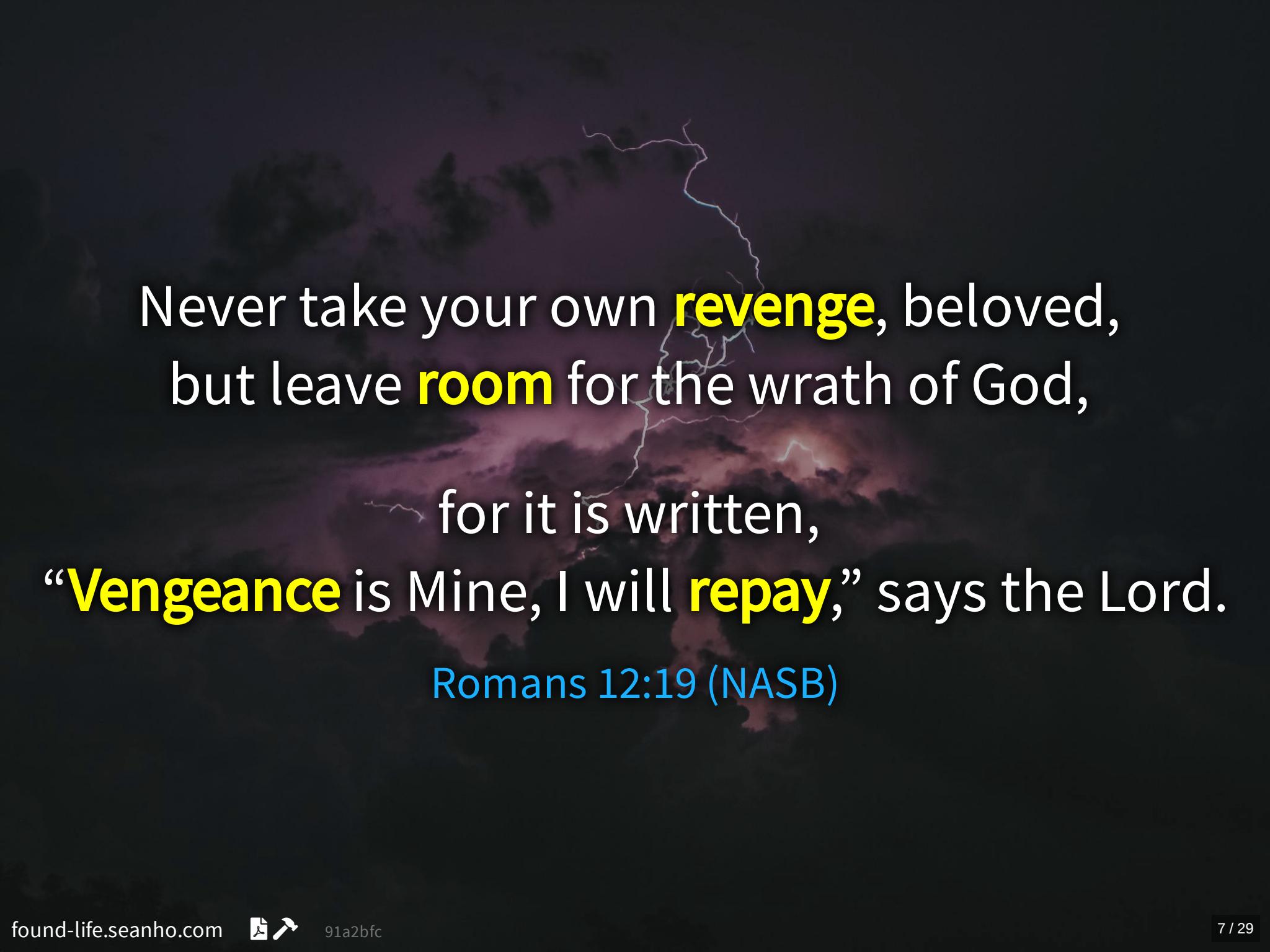
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such a way that they may see your **good works**,  
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Matthew 5:16 (NASB)

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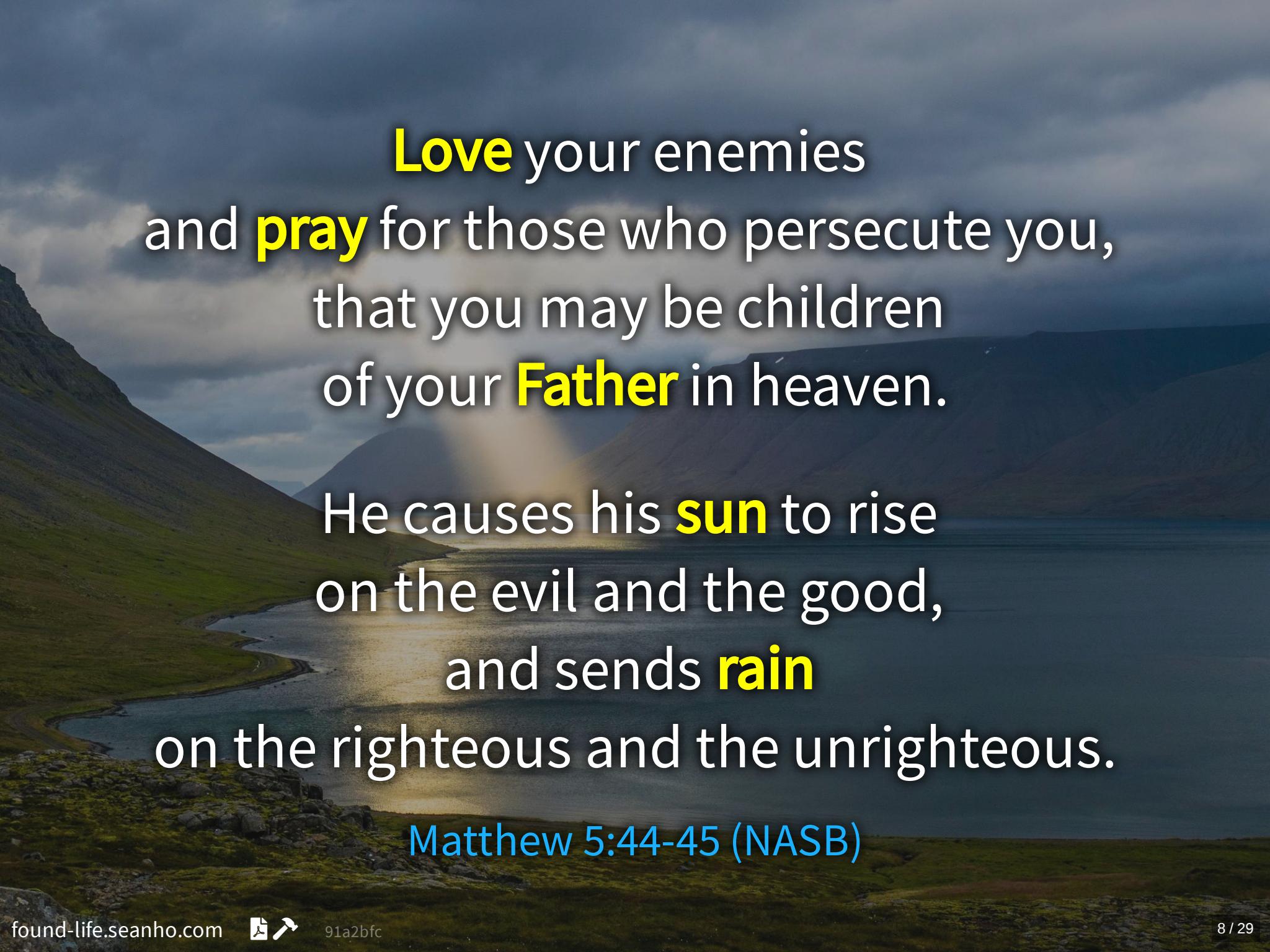
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1. **Revenge**, Government and Oaths
2. **Marriage** and Family
3. **Prayer**
4. Church **Discipline**

The background of the slide features a dramatic, dark sky filled with heavy, billowing clouds. Several bright, jagged lightning bolts strike down from the upper right towards the lower left, illuminating the clouds in a reddish-orange glow. The overall atmosphere is one of power, judgment, and divine presence.

Never take your own **revenge**, beloved,  
but leave **room** for the wrath of God,  
for it is written,  
**“Vengeance** is Mine, I will **repay**,” says the Lord.

Romans 12:19 (NASB)

A wide-angle photograph of a rugged landscape. In the foreground, a river winds its way through a valley, reflecting the light from a setting or rising sun. The banks of the river are covered in lush green grass and small rocks. In the background, there are several hills and mountains under a sky filled with heavy, dark clouds. The overall atmosphere is serene yet powerful.

**Love** your enemies  
and **pray** for those who persecute you,  
that you may be children  
of your **Father** in heaven.

He causes his **sun** to rise  
on the evil and the good,  
and sends **rain**  
on the righteous and the unrighteous.

Matthew 5:44-45 (NASB)

A paved path leads through a field of tall grass and weeds under a cloudy sky.

Let every person be subject  
to the governing **authorities**.

For there is no authority except **from God**,  
and those that exist  
have been **instituted** by God.

Romans 13:1 (ESV)

Do not take an **oath** at all,  
either by **heaven**, for it is the throne of God,  
or by the **earth**, for it is his footstool, [...]

And do not take an oath by your **head**,  
for you cannot make one hair white or black.

Let what you say be simply ‘**Yes**’ or ‘**No**’;  
anything more than this comes from **evil**.

Matthew 5:34-37 (ESV)

How do I respond  
to authority?

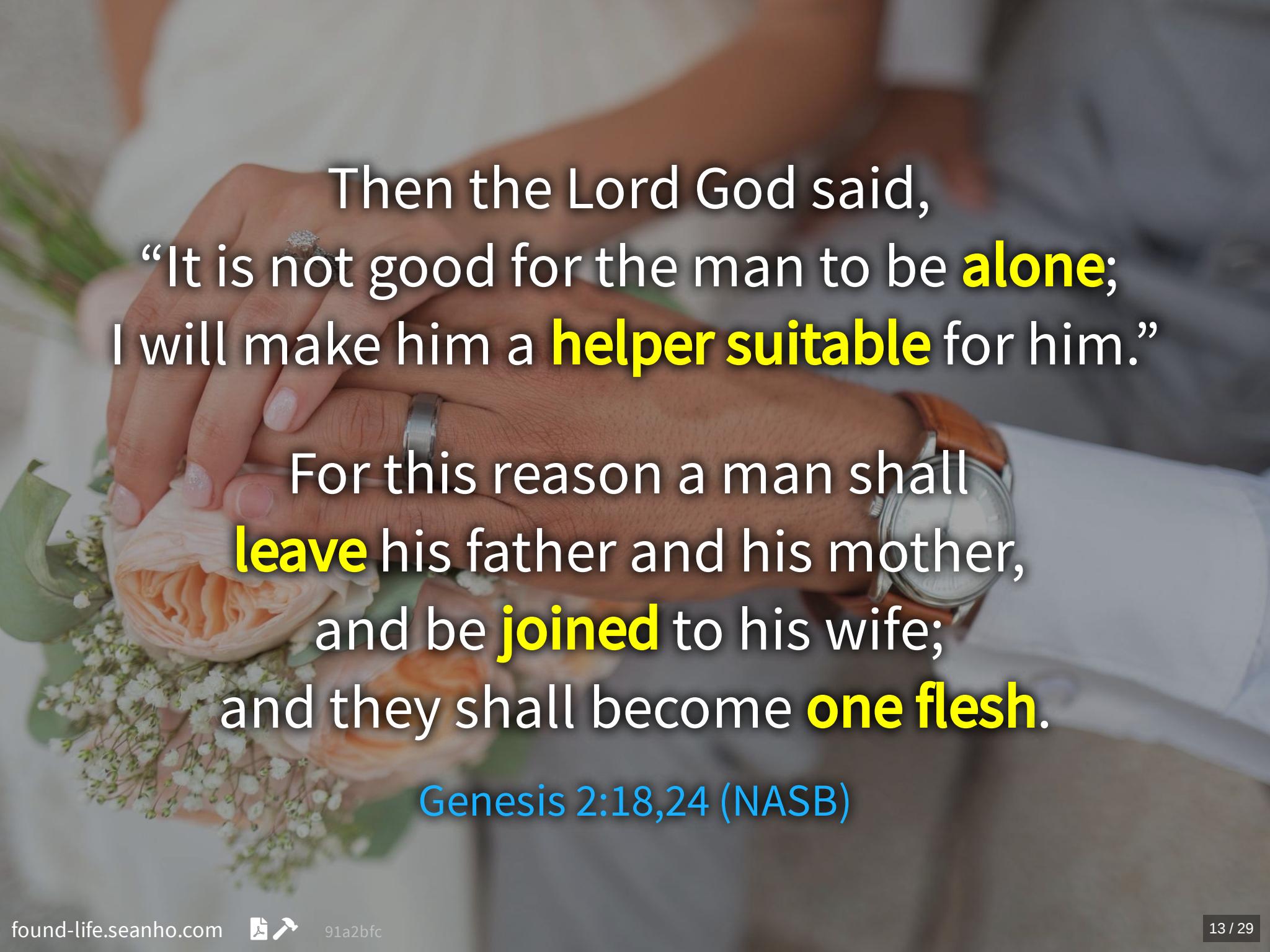
To those who are  
argumentative?



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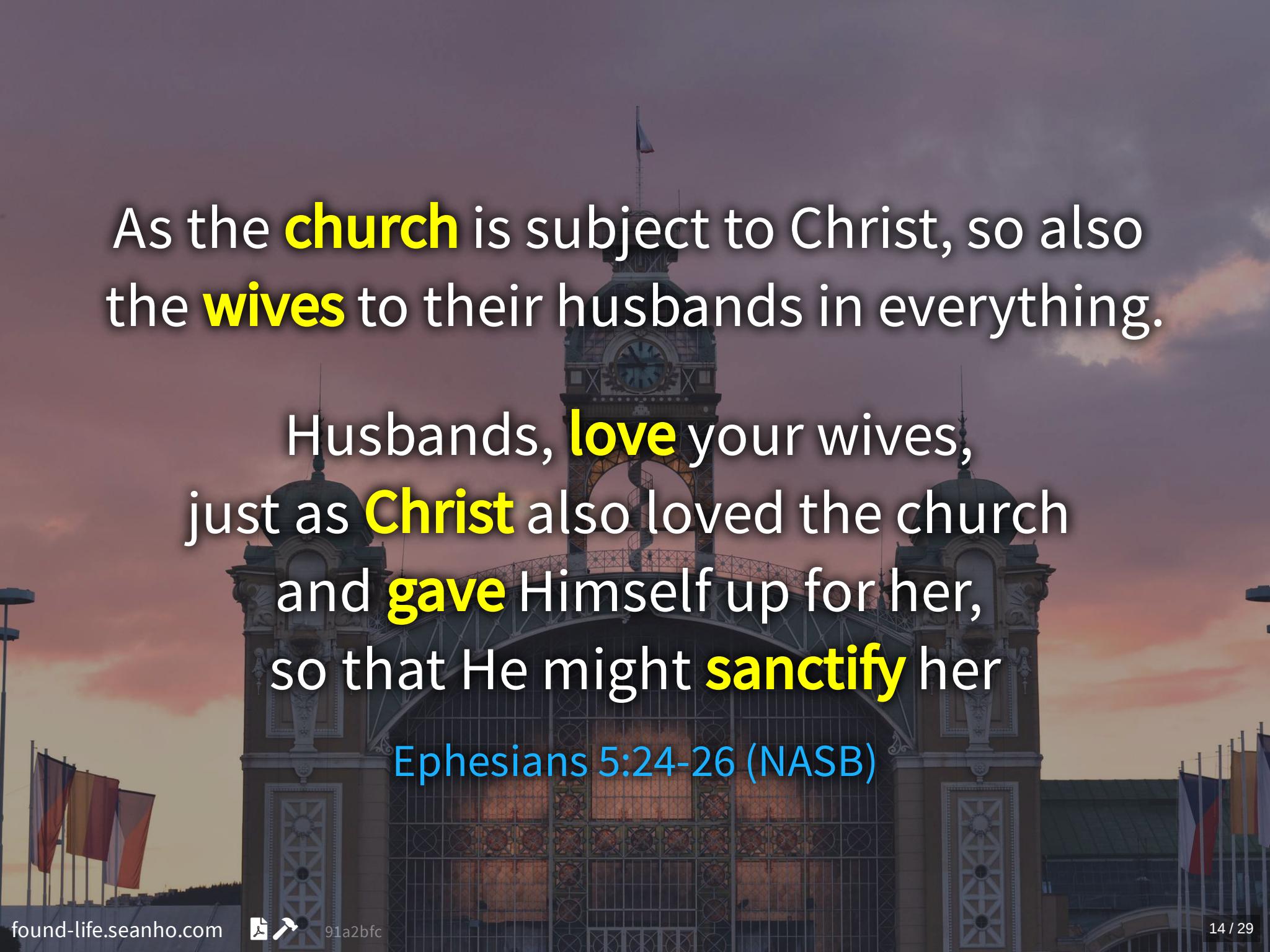
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Then the Lord God said,  
“It is not good for the man to be **alone**;  
I will make him a **helper suitable** for him.”

For this reason a man shall  
**leave** his father and his mother,  
and be **joined** to his wife;  
and they shall become **one flesh**.

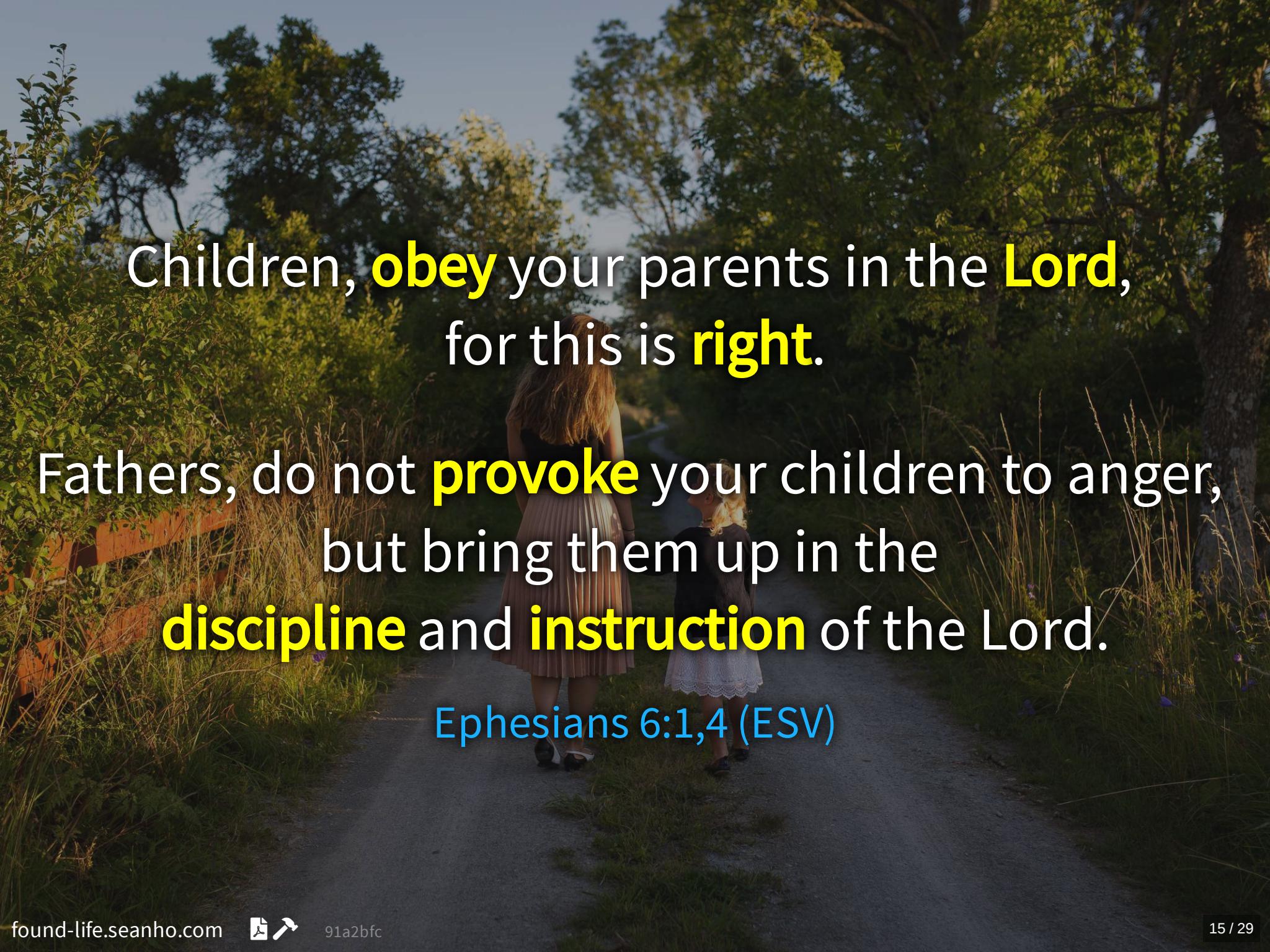
Genesis 2:18,24 (NASB)



As the **church** is subject to Christ, so also the **wives** to their husbands in everything.

Husbands, **love** your wives,  
just as **Christ** also loved the church  
and **gave** Himself up for her,  
so that He might **sanctify** her

Ephesians 5:24-26 (NASB)

A photograph of a woman with long blonde hair wearing a pink dress, and a smaller child with blonde hair wearing a dark top and light skirt, walking away from the camera down a paved path. They are surrounded by lush green trees and bushes. The lighting suggests it might be late afternoon or early evening.

Children, **obey** your parents in the **Lord**,  
for this is **right**.

Fathers, do not **provoke** your children to anger,  
but bring them up in the  
**discipline** and **instruction** of the Lord.

Ephesians 6:1,4 (ESV)



Slaves, **obey** your earthly masters with **respect** and fear, [...] as slaves of **Christ**, doing the **will** of God from your **heart**.

[Masters], do not **threaten** them, since you know that he who is both their **Master** and yours is in heaven

Ephesians 6:5,6,9 (NIV)

What is my  
**responsibility** as  
husband / wife /  
child / parent /  
slave / master?

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When you **pray**, go into your **room**  
and shut the door  
and pray to your Father who is in **secret**.

And your Father who **sees** in secret  
will reward you.

And when you pray, do not heap up  
**empty phrases** as the Gentiles do

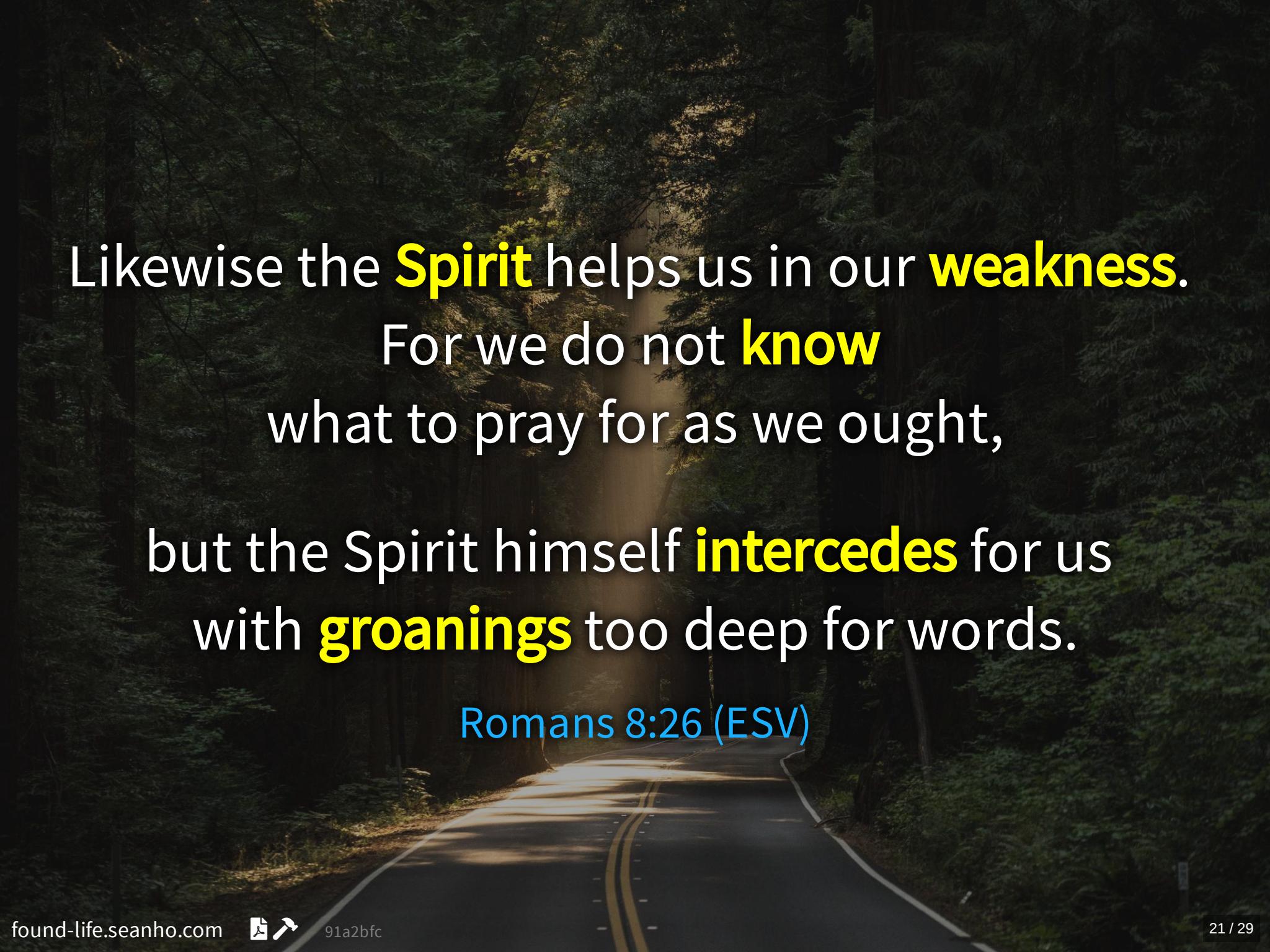
Matthew 6:6-7 (ESV)

Our **Father** in heaven, **hallowed** be your name.  
Your **kingdom** come, your **will** be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our **daily bread**,  
and **forgive** us our debts,  
as we also have forgiven our **debtors**.

And lead us not into **temptation**,  
but **deliver** us from evil.

Matthew 6:9-13 (ESV)



Likewise the **Spirit** helps us in our **weakness**.

For we do not **know**  
what to pray for as we ought,

but the Spirit himself **intercedes** for us  
with **groanings** too deep for words.

Romans 8:26 (ESV)

How should  
we pray?

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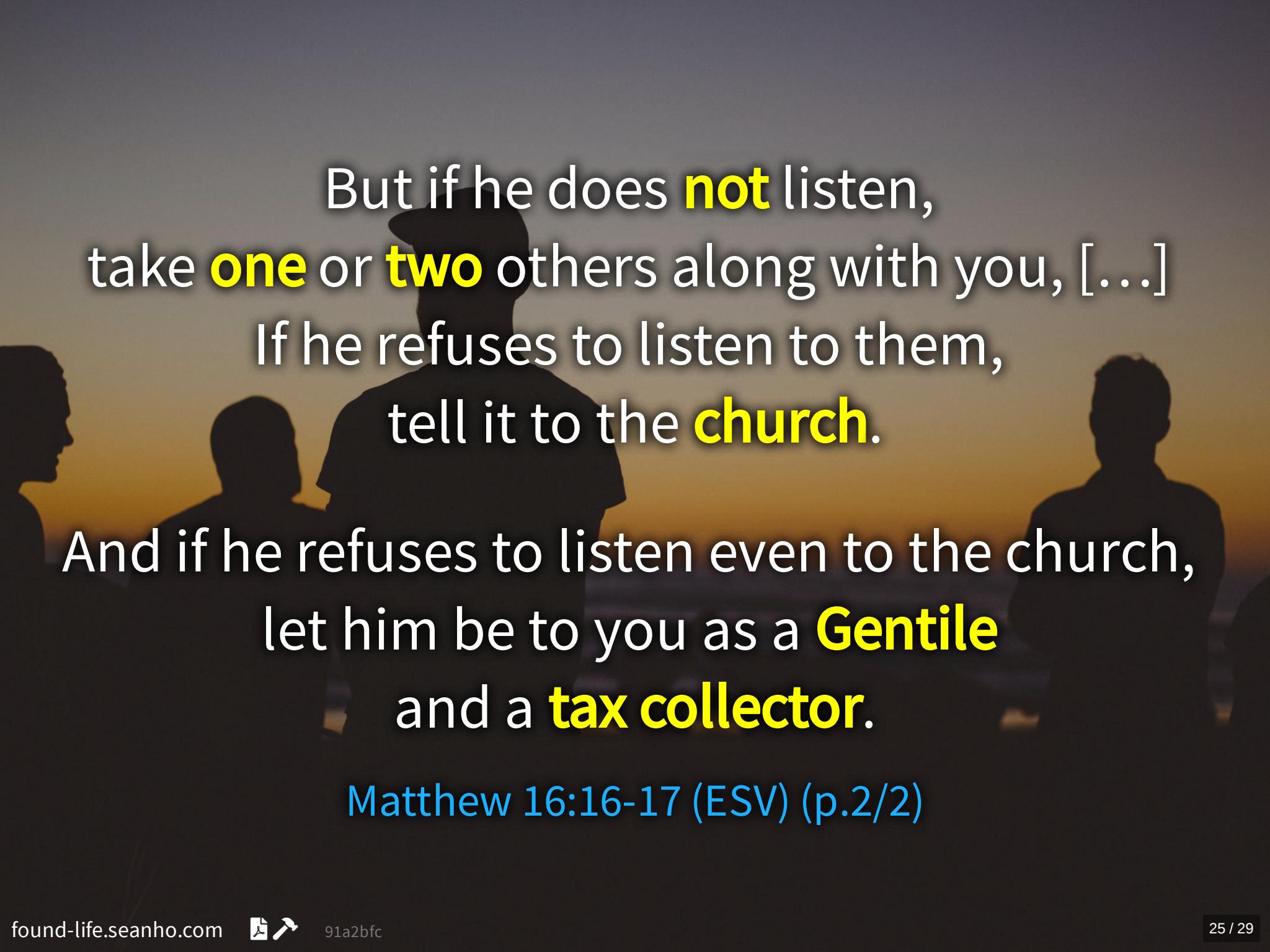
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If your brother **sins** against you,  
go and **tell** him his fault,  
between you and him **alone**.

If he **listens** to you,  
you have **gained** your brother.

Matthew 18:15 (ESV) (p.1/2)

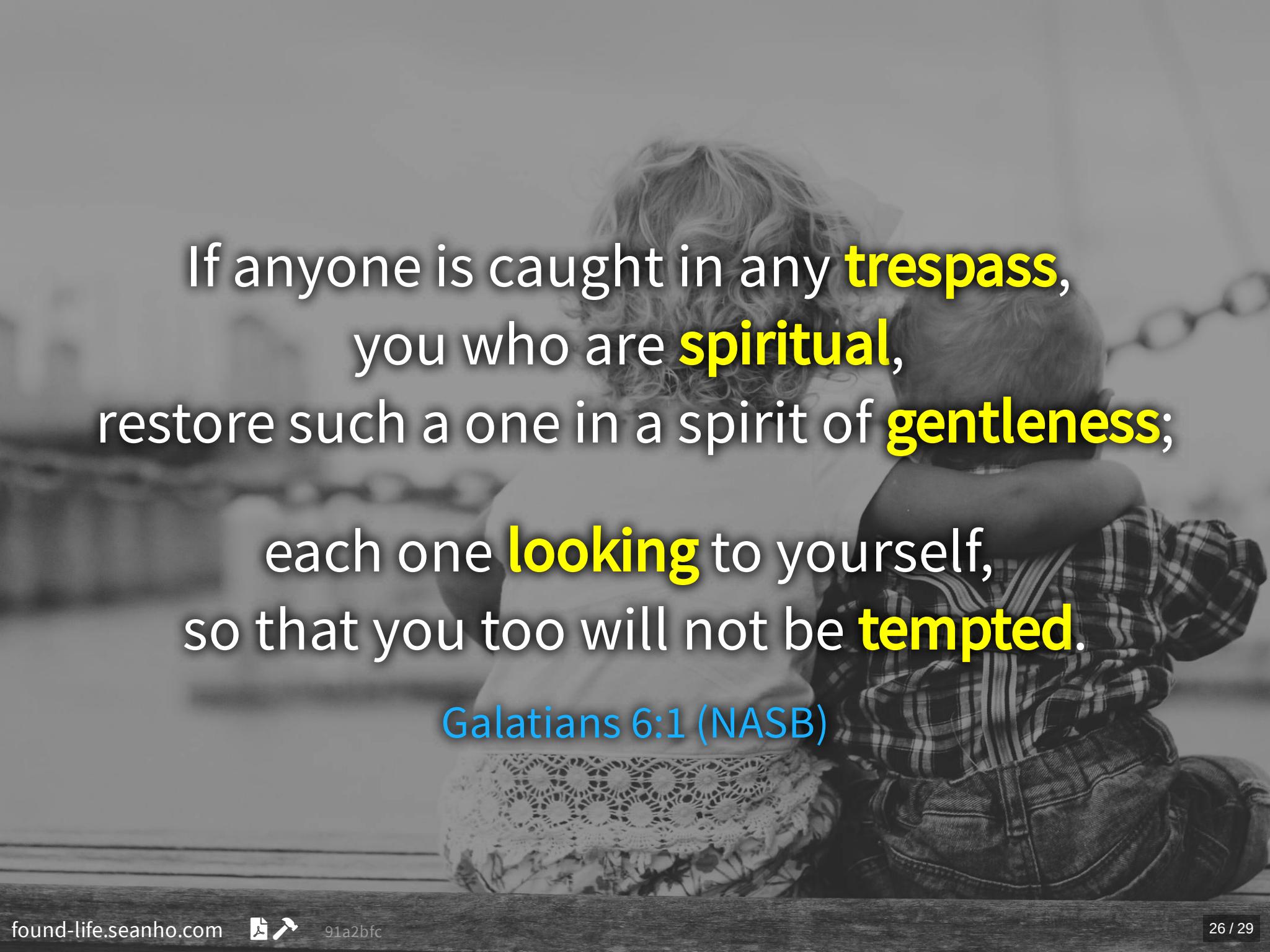
A dark background featuring silhouettes of several people's heads and shoulders, suggesting a group of people gathered together.

But if he does **not** listen,  
take **one** or **two** others along with you, [...]

If he refuses to listen to them,  
tell it to the **church**.

And if he refuses to listen even to the church,  
let him be to you as a **Gentile**  
and a **tax collector**.

Matthew 18:16-17 (ESV) (p.2/2)



If anyone is caught in any **trespass**,  
you who are **spiritual**,  
restore such a one in a spirit of **gentleness**;  
each one **looking** to yourself,  
so that you too will not be **tempted**.

Galatians 6:1 (NASB)

How do I deal  
with a Christian  
who **sins**?



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