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# Wake Up!

## 2 Peter 3:3-12

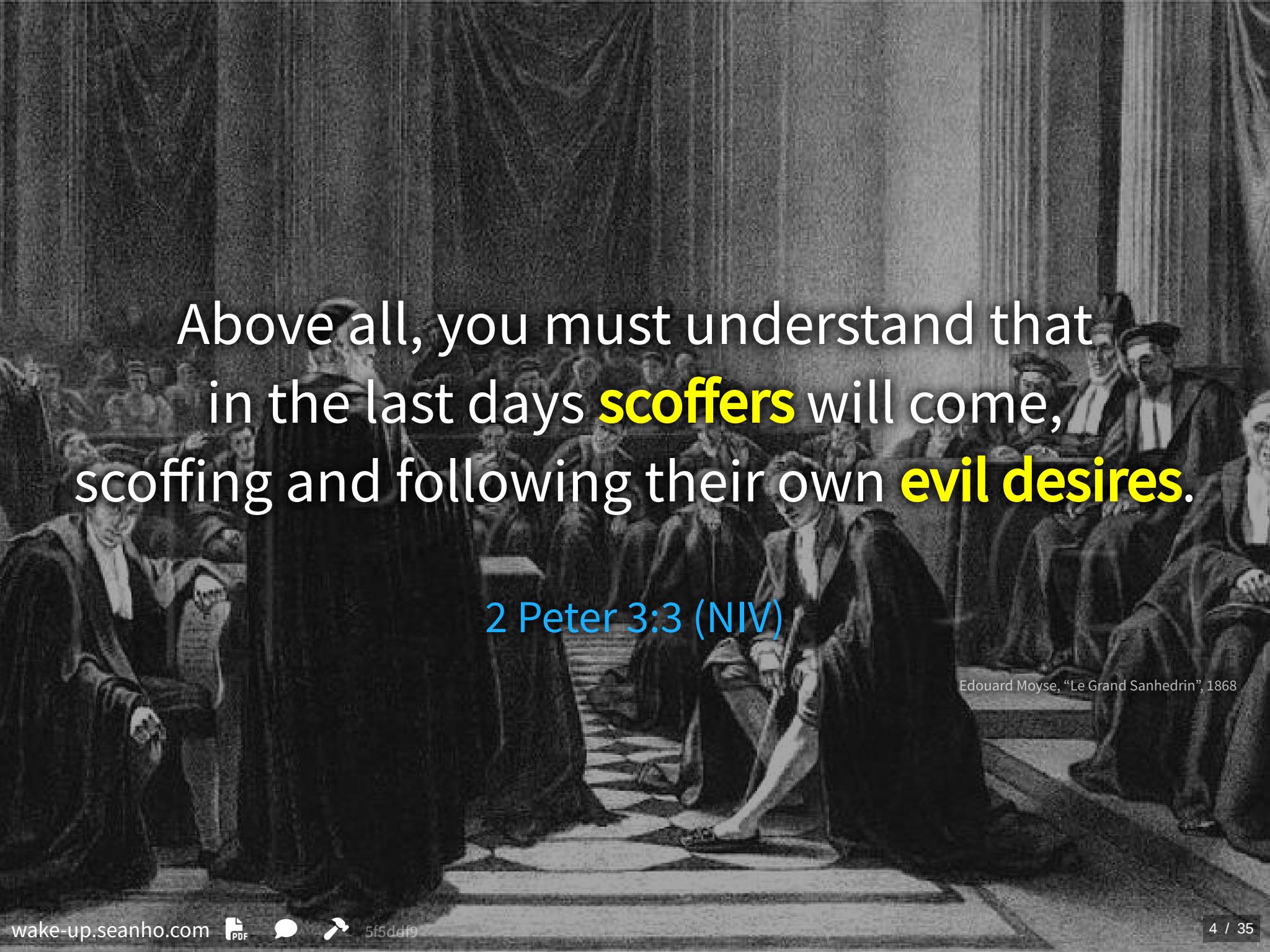
The end is near!  
So what?

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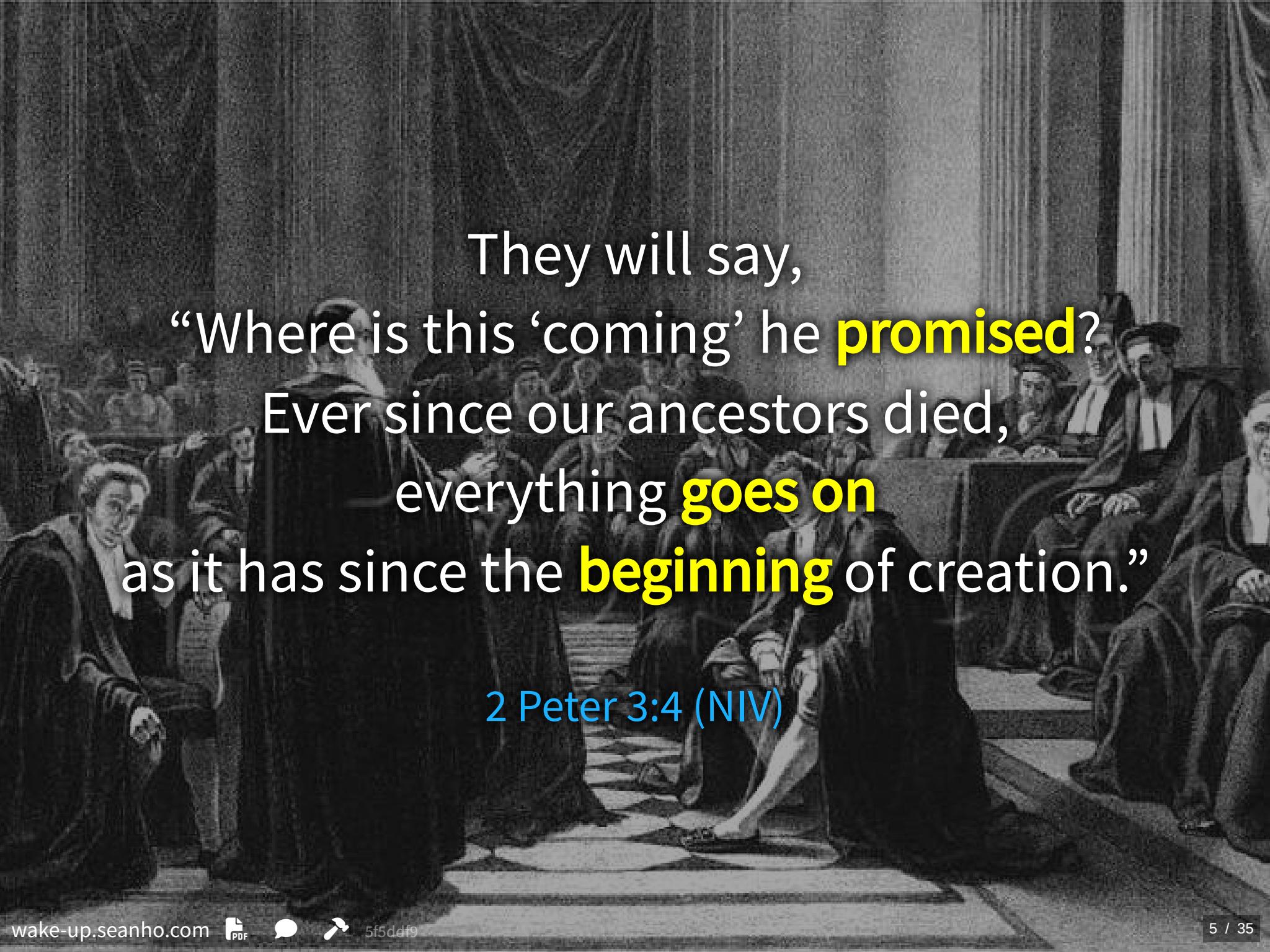
Ales Krivec



Above all, you must understand that  
in the last days **scoffers** will come,  
scoffing and following their own **evil desires**.

2 Peter 3:3 (NIV)

Edouard Moyse, "Le Grand Sanhédrin", 1868



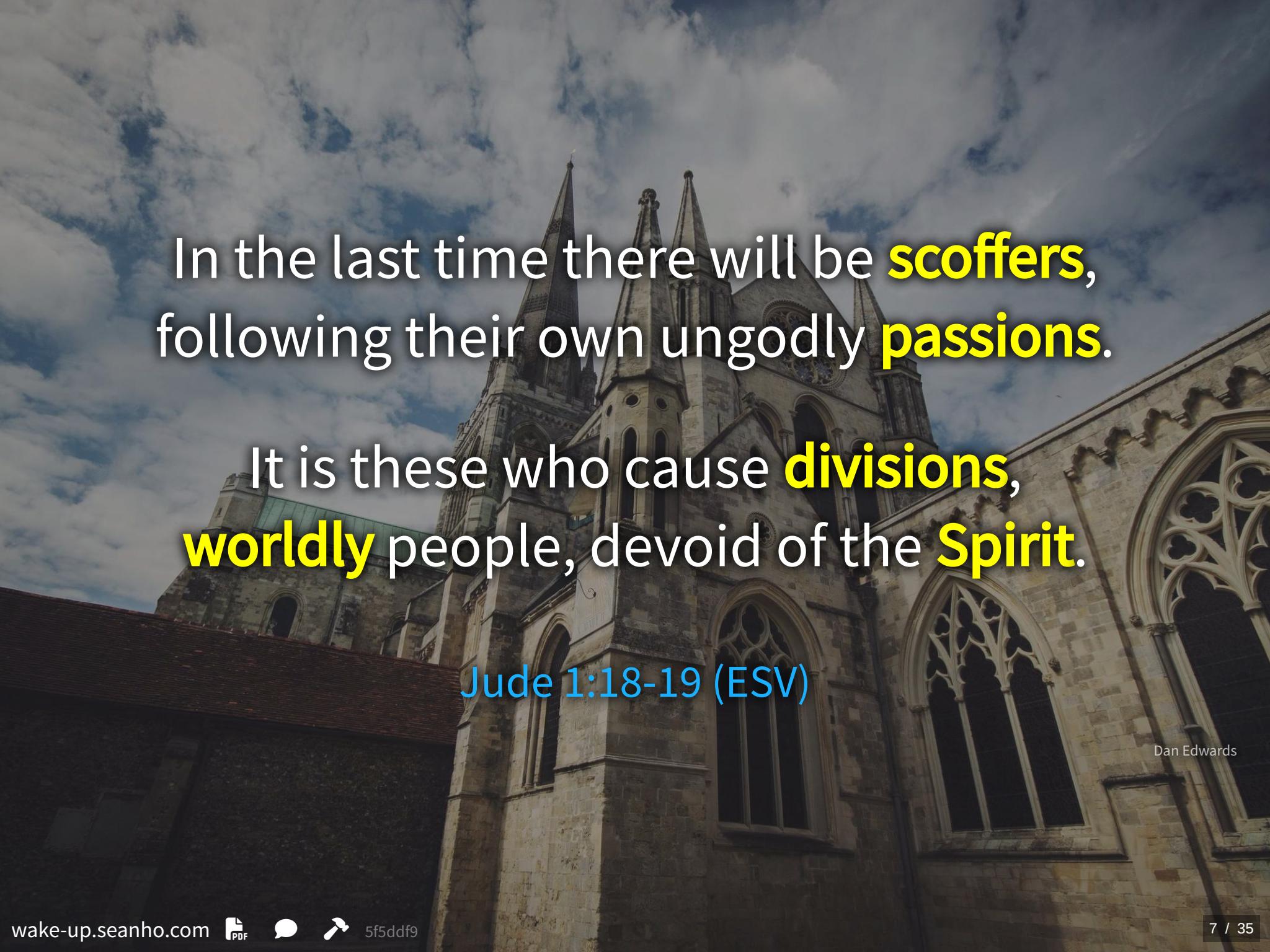
They will say,  
“Where is this ‘coming’ he **promised**?  
Ever since our ancestors died,  
everything **goes on**  
as it has since the **beginning** of creation.”

2 Peter 3:4 (NIV)

# Complacency of Continuity

- **Legalism** / pride: up to us to save the world
- **Lusts**: indulge own desires ([Jude 1:18-19](#))
- **Laziness**: when Master is away ([Mt 24:45-51](#))

Caleb George

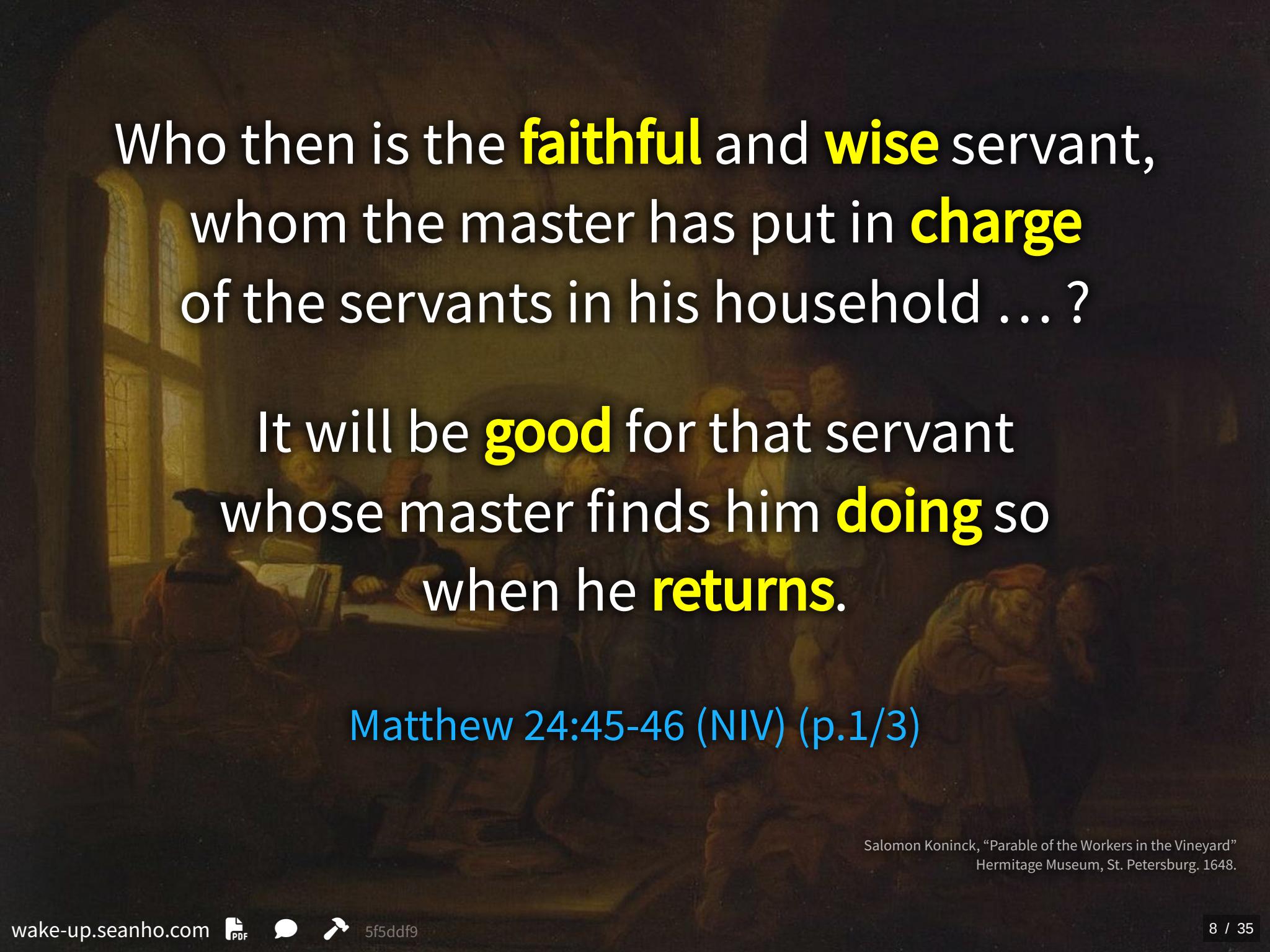
The background image shows a Gothic-style church with multiple spires and intricate stonework, set against a backdrop of a cloudy sky.

In the last time there will be **scoffers**,  
following their own ungodly **passions**.

It is these who cause **divisions**,  
**worldly** people, devoid of the **Spirit**.

Jude 1:18-19 (ESV)

Dan Edwards

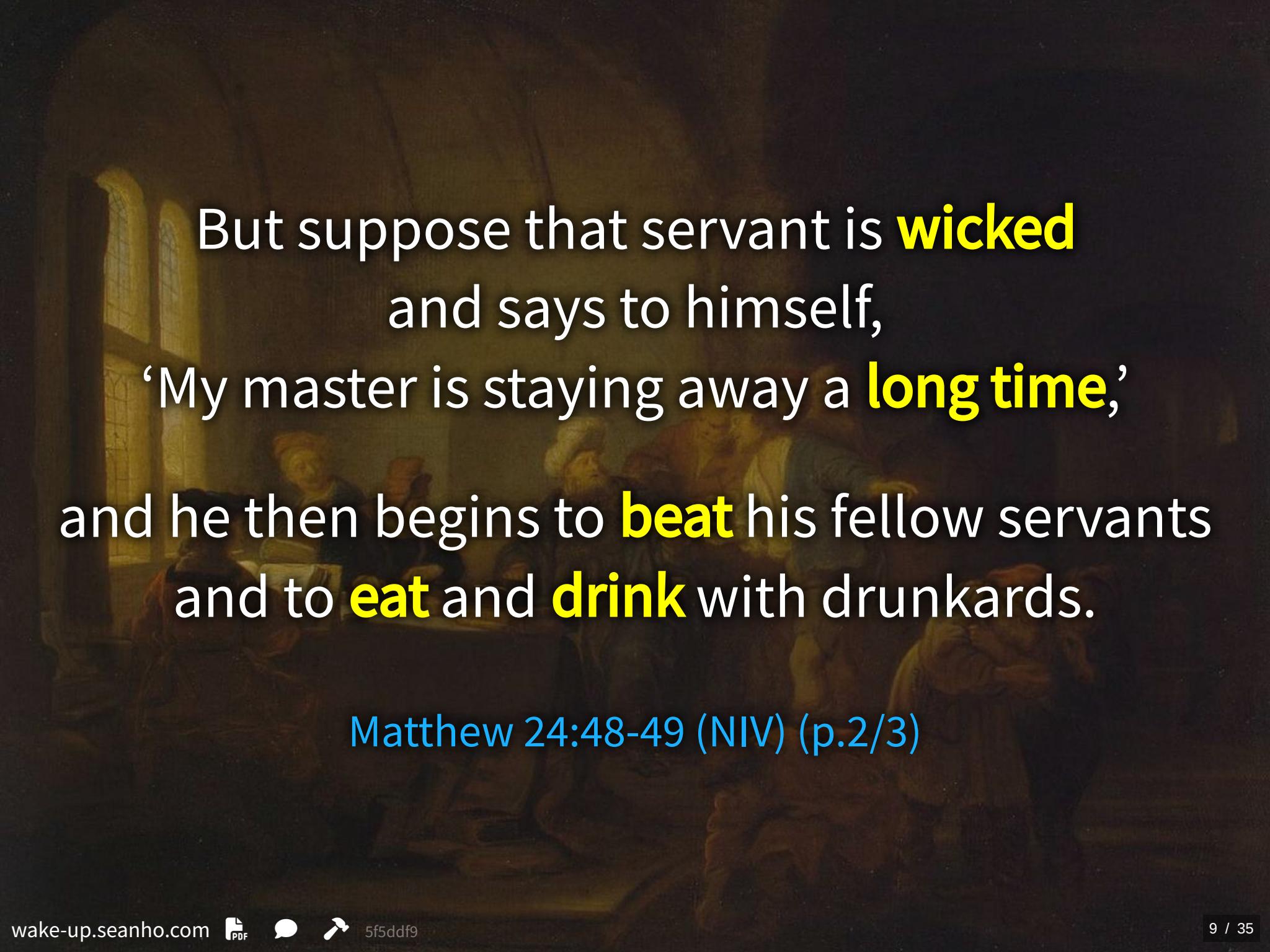


Who then is the **faithful** and **wise** servant,  
whom the master has put in **charge**  
of the servants in his household ... ?

It will be **good** for that servant  
whose master finds him **doing** so  
when he **returns**.

Matthew 24:45-46 (NIV) (p.1/3)

Salomon Koninck, "Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard"  
Hermitage Museum, St. Petersburg. 1648.

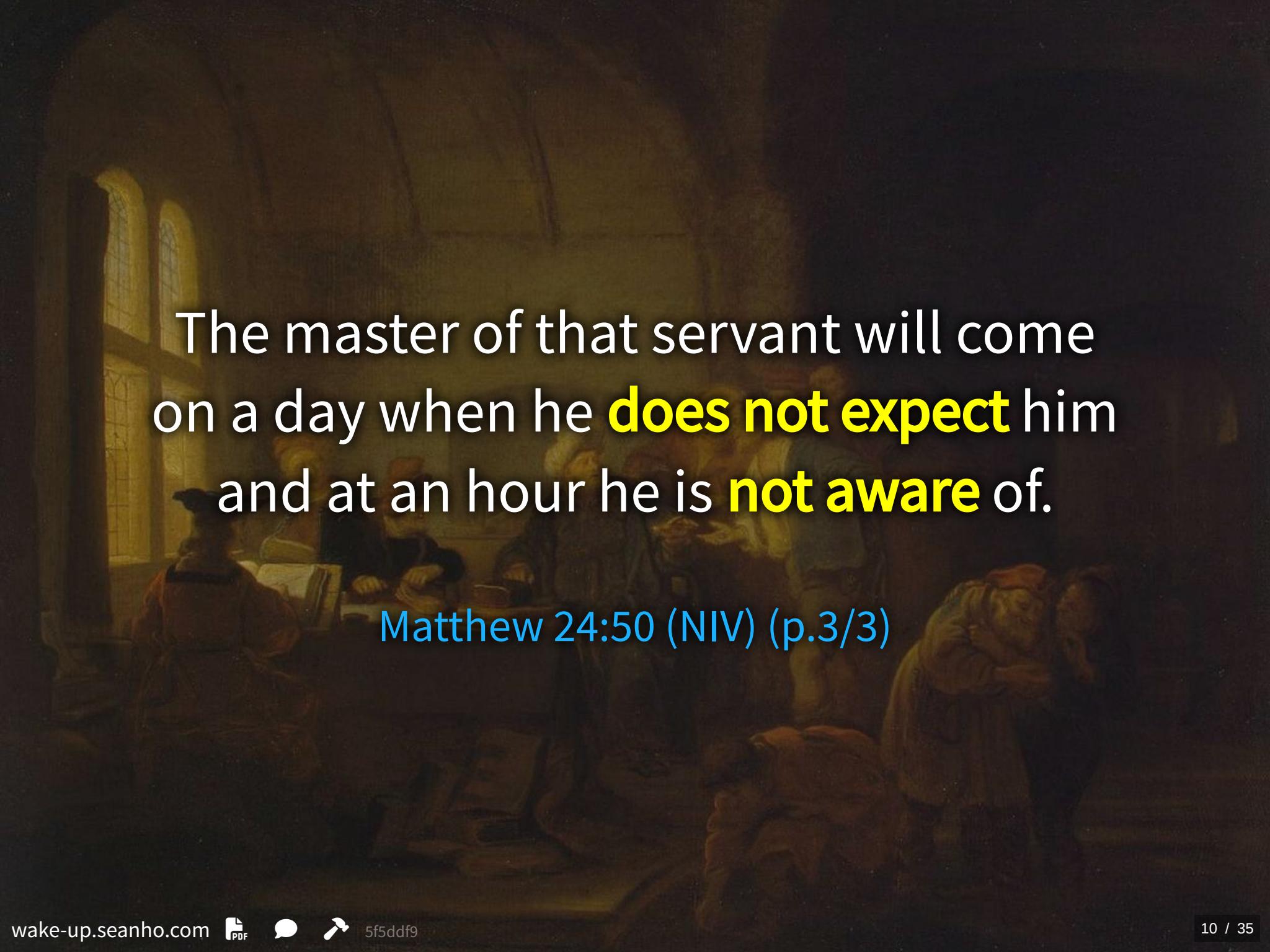


But suppose that servant is **wicked**  
and says to himself,

‘My master is staying away a **long time**,’

and he then begins to **beat** his fellow servants  
and to **eat** and **drink** with drunkards.

Matthew 24:48-49 (NIV) (p.2/3)



The master of that servant will come on a day when he **does not expect** him and at an hour he is **not aware** of.

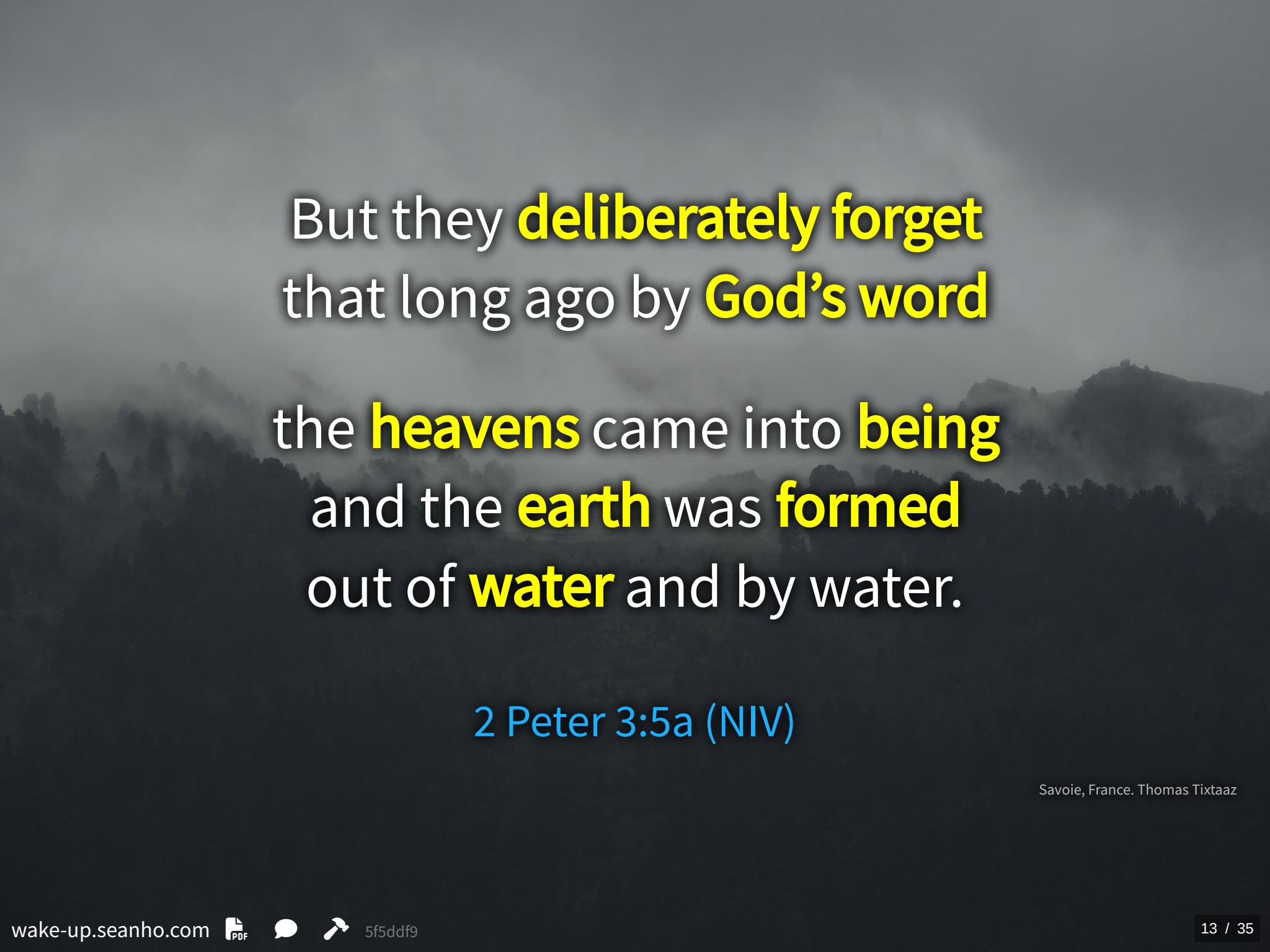
Matthew 24:50 (NIV) (p.3/3)

Have I succumbed to  
**legalism, lust, or laziness**  
by neglecting the **imminence**  
of Christ's return?

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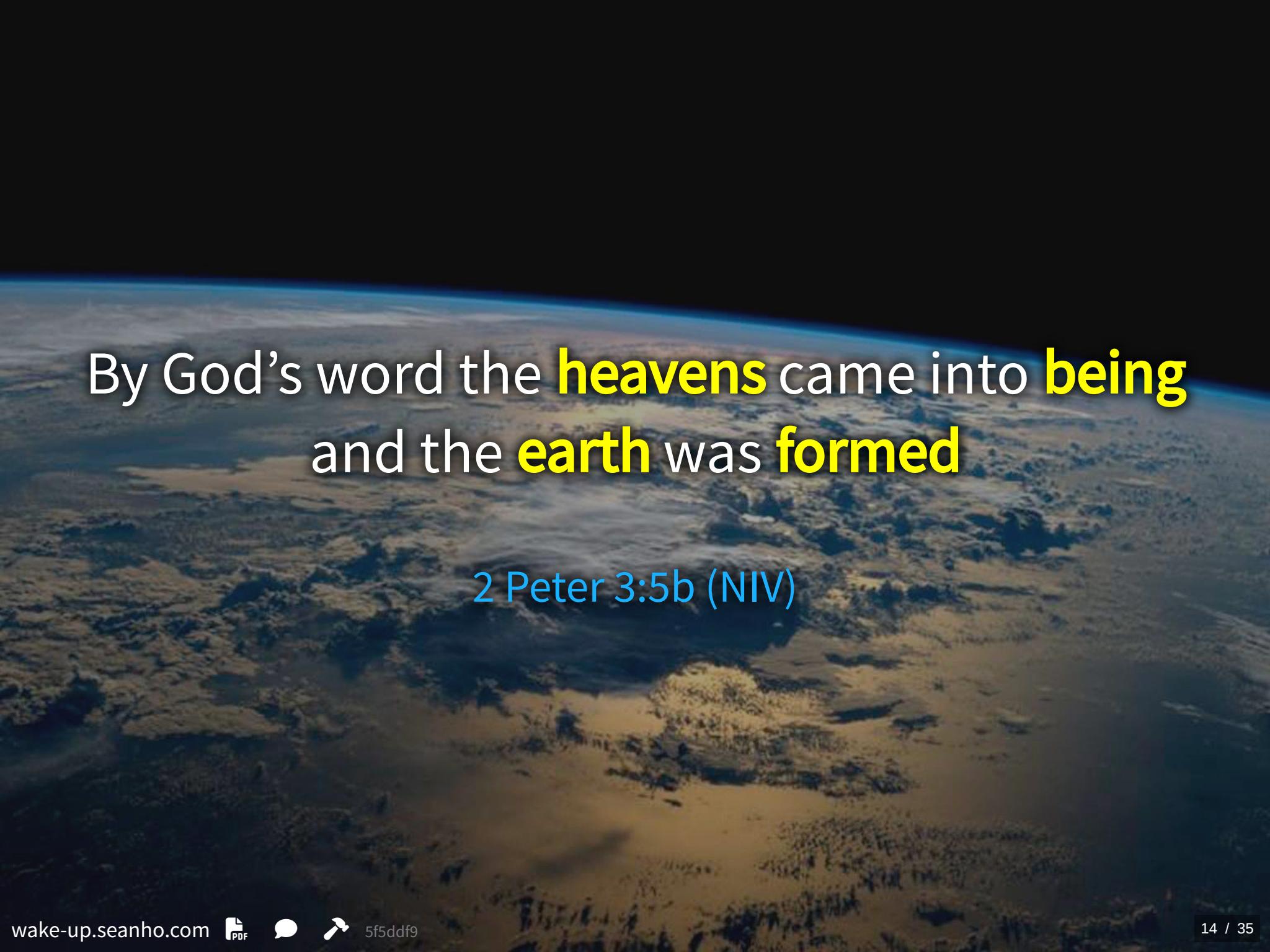
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But they **deliberately forget**  
that long ago by **God's word**  
  
the **heavens** came into **being**  
and the **earth** was **formed**  
out of **water** and by water.

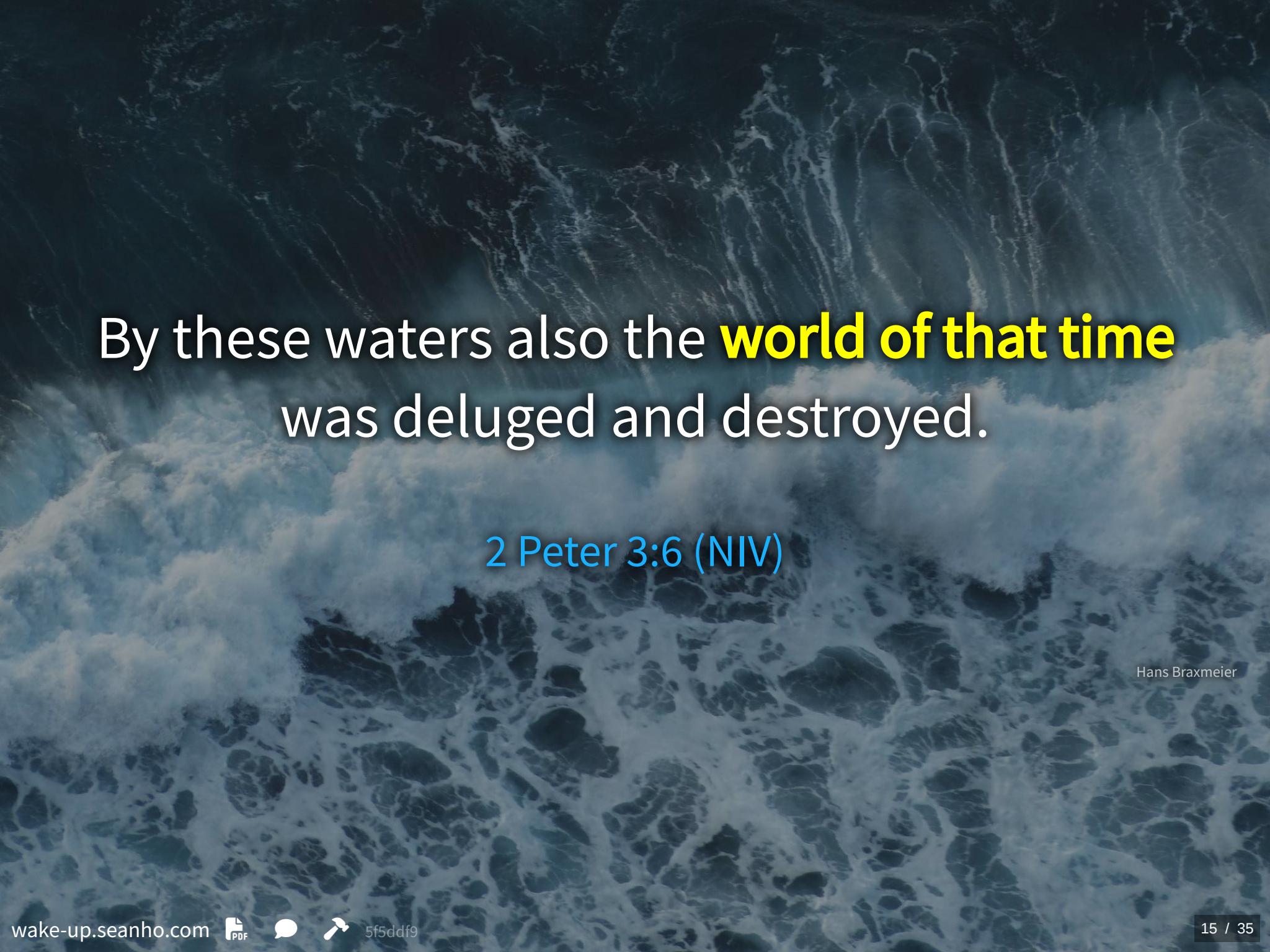
2 Peter 3:5a (NIV)

Savoie, France. Thomas Tixtaaz



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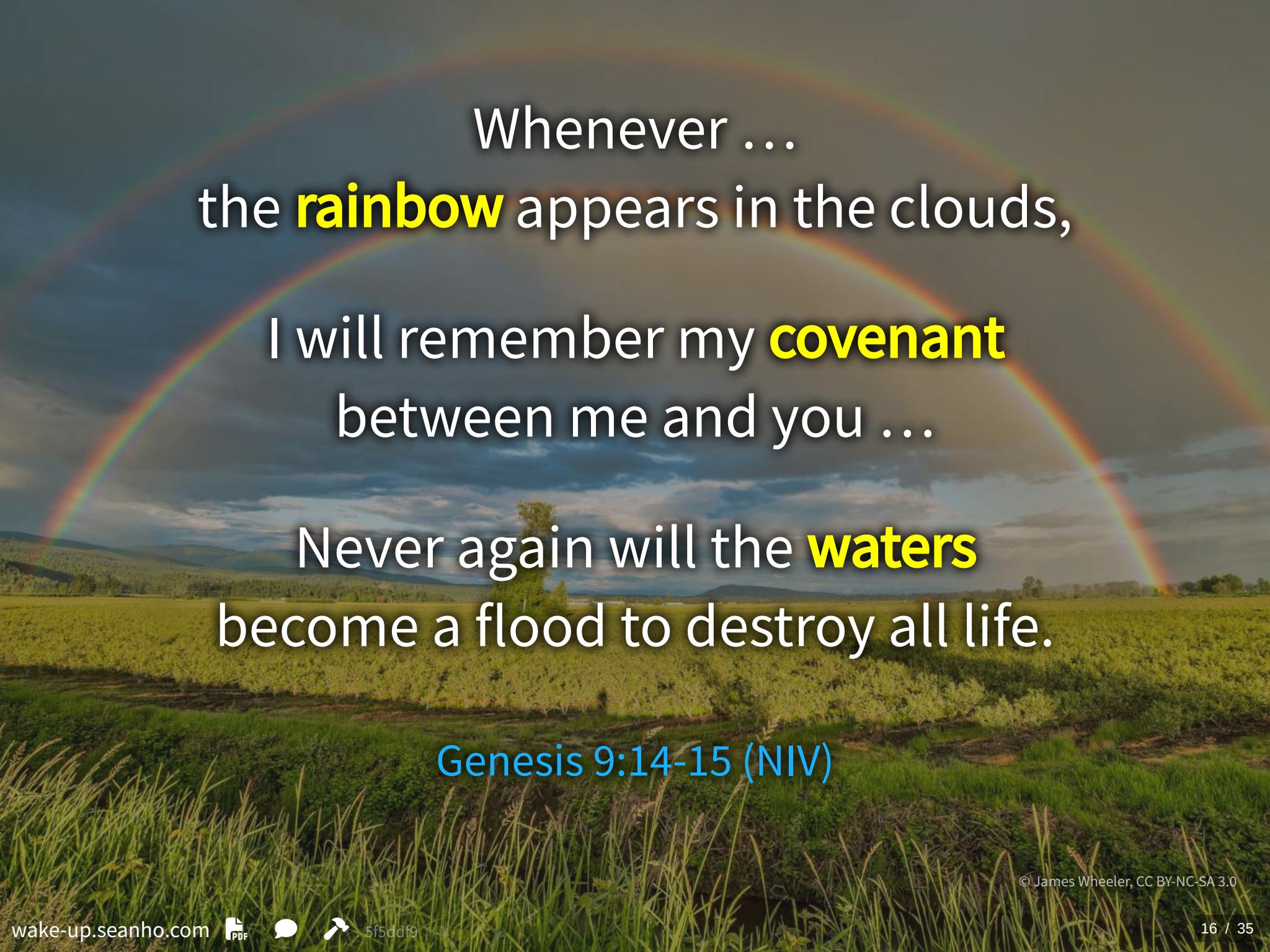
2 Peter 3:5b (NIV)



By these waters also the **world of that time**  
was deluged and destroyed.

2 Peter 3:6 (NIV)

Hans Braxmeier



Whenever ...  
the **rainbow** appears in the clouds,  
  
I will remember my **covenant**  
between me and you ...

Never again will the **waters**  
become a flood to destroy all life.

Genesis 9:14-15 (NIV)

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By the same word  
the **present** heavens and earth  
are reserved for **fire**,  
being kept for the **day of judgment**  
and destruction of the ungodly.

2 Peter 3:7 (NIV)

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**What is my  
attitude toward  
Creation and  
the Flood?**

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But do not **forget** this one thing, dear friends:  
With the Lord a **day** is like a **thousand years**,  
and a thousand years are like a day.

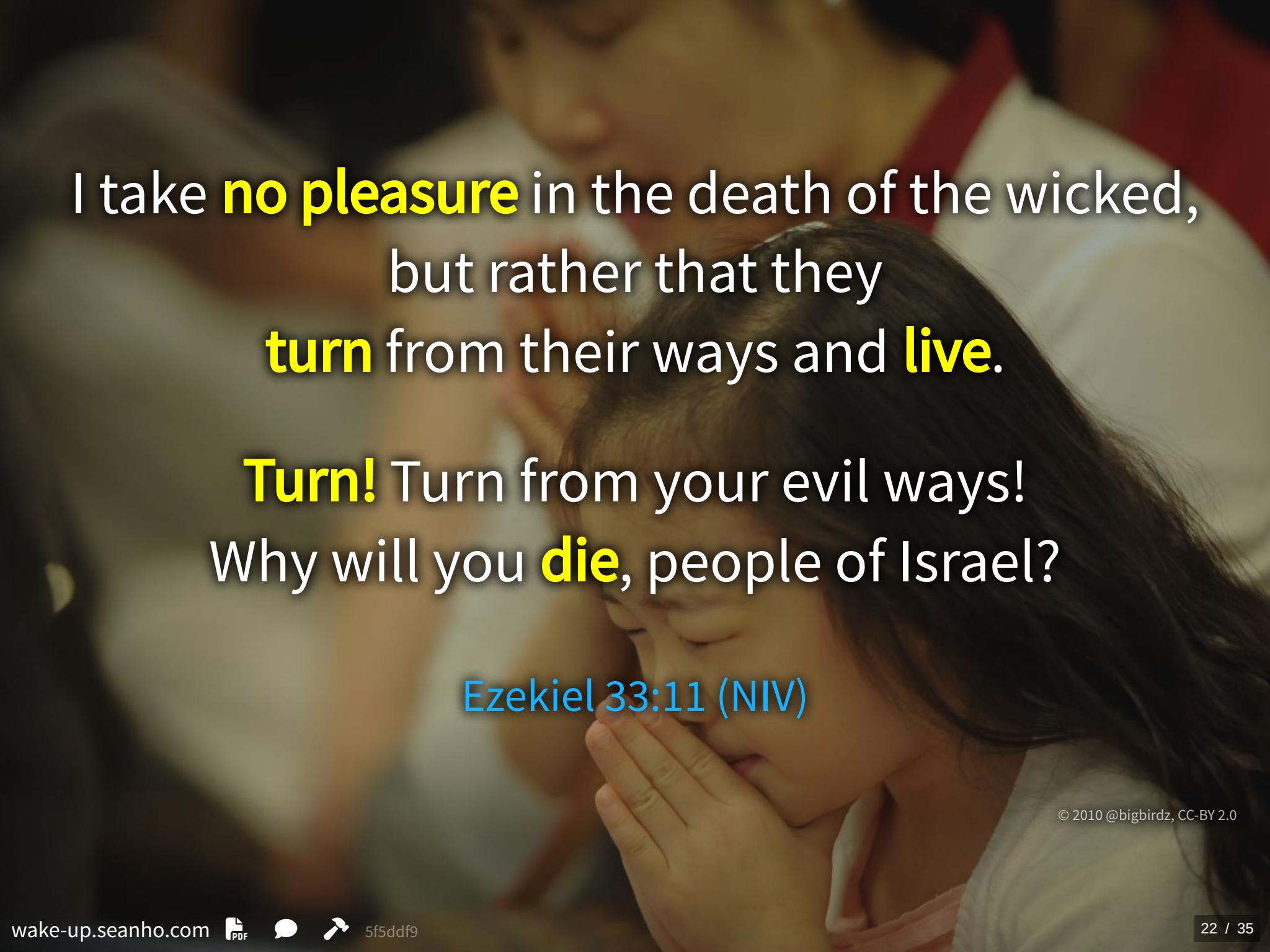
2 Peter 3:8 (NIV)

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The Lord is not **slow** in keeping his promise,  
as some understand slowness.

Instead he is **patient** with you,  
not wanting anyone to **perish**,  
but everyone to come to **repentance**.

2 Peter 3:9 (NIV)

A woman with long dark hair is shown from the side and back, her head bowed in prayer. Her hands are clasped near her chin. She is wearing a light-colored top. The background is blurred.

I take **no pleasure** in the death of the wicked,  
but rather that they  
**turn** from their ways and **live**.

**Turn!** Turn from your evil ways!  
Why will you **die**, people of Israel?

Ezekiel 33:11 (NIV)

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If it is only God's patience  
to the not-yet-repentant  
that holds back  
the judgment,  
how does that change  
how I view them?

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10 But the day of the Lord will come like a **thief**.

The **heavens** will disappear with a **roar**;  
the **elements** will be destroyed by **fire**,

and the earth and everything **done** in it  
will be **laid bare**.

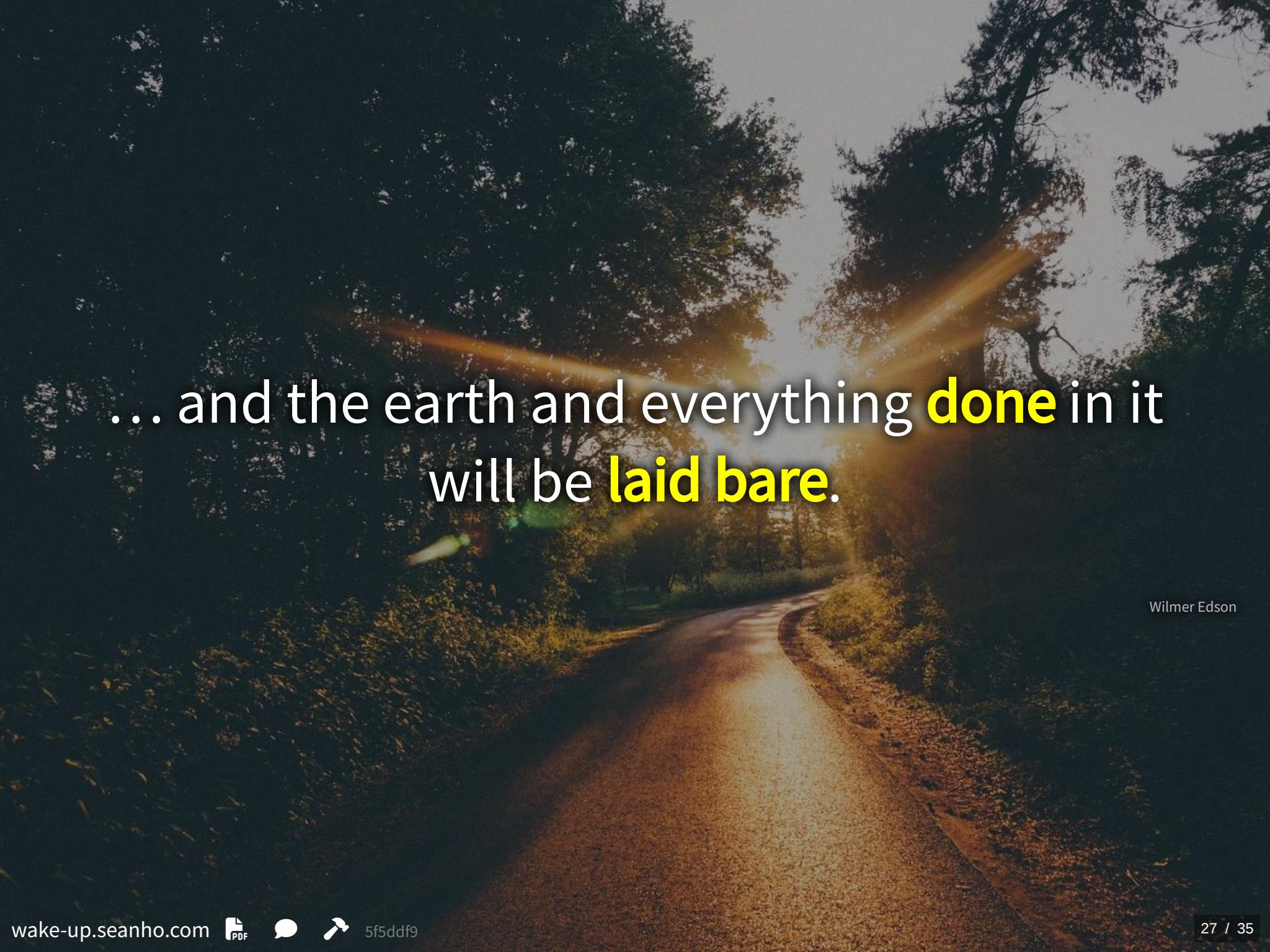
2 Peter 3:10 (NIV)

Ryan Hutton



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Lisa Runnels



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Wilmer Edson

What am I  
holding onto  
which will be  
burned with

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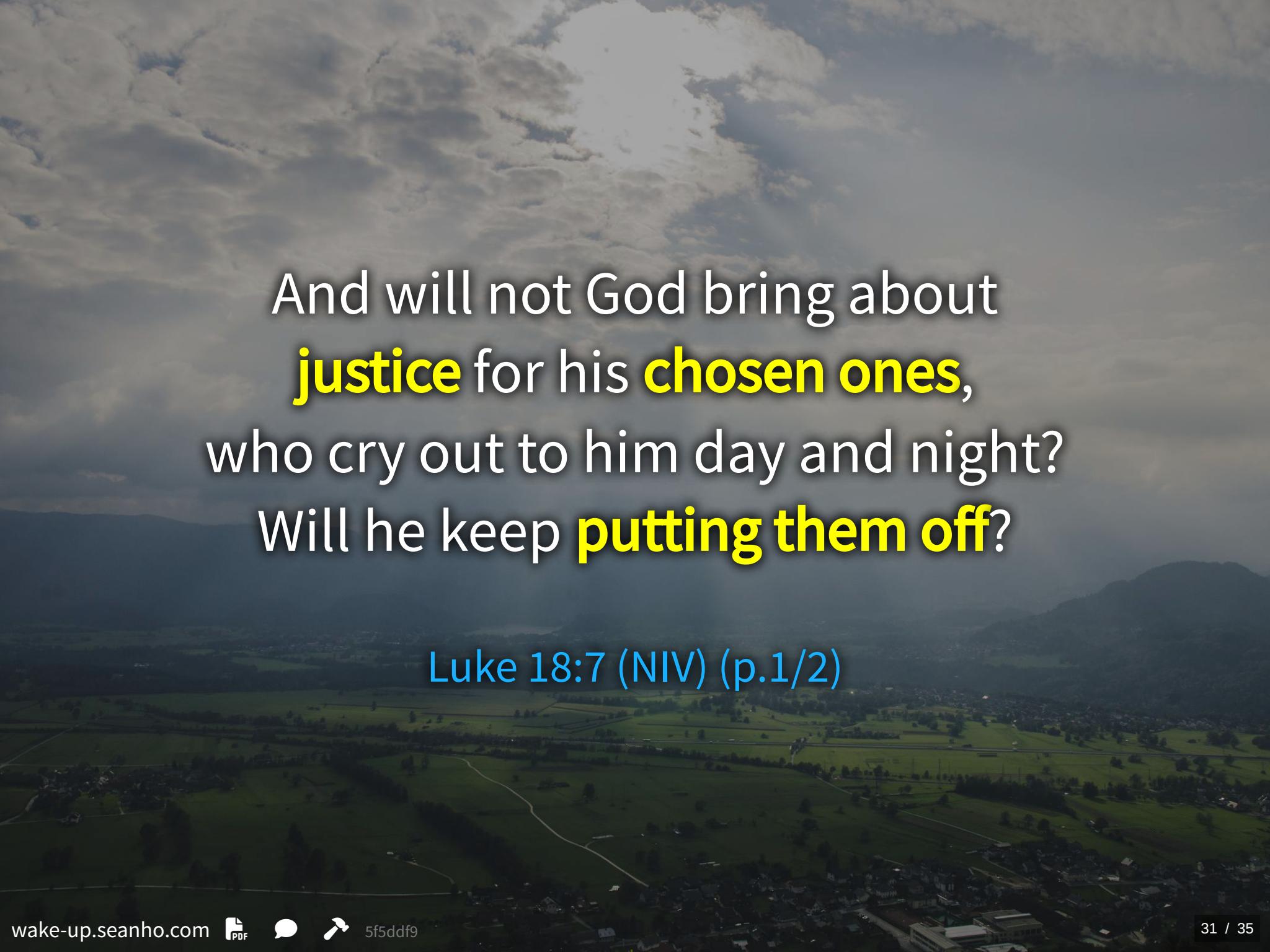


Since everything will be destroyed  
in this way,  
what **kind of people** ought you to be?

You ought to live **holy** and **godly** lives  
as you **look forward** to the day of God  
and **speed** its coming.

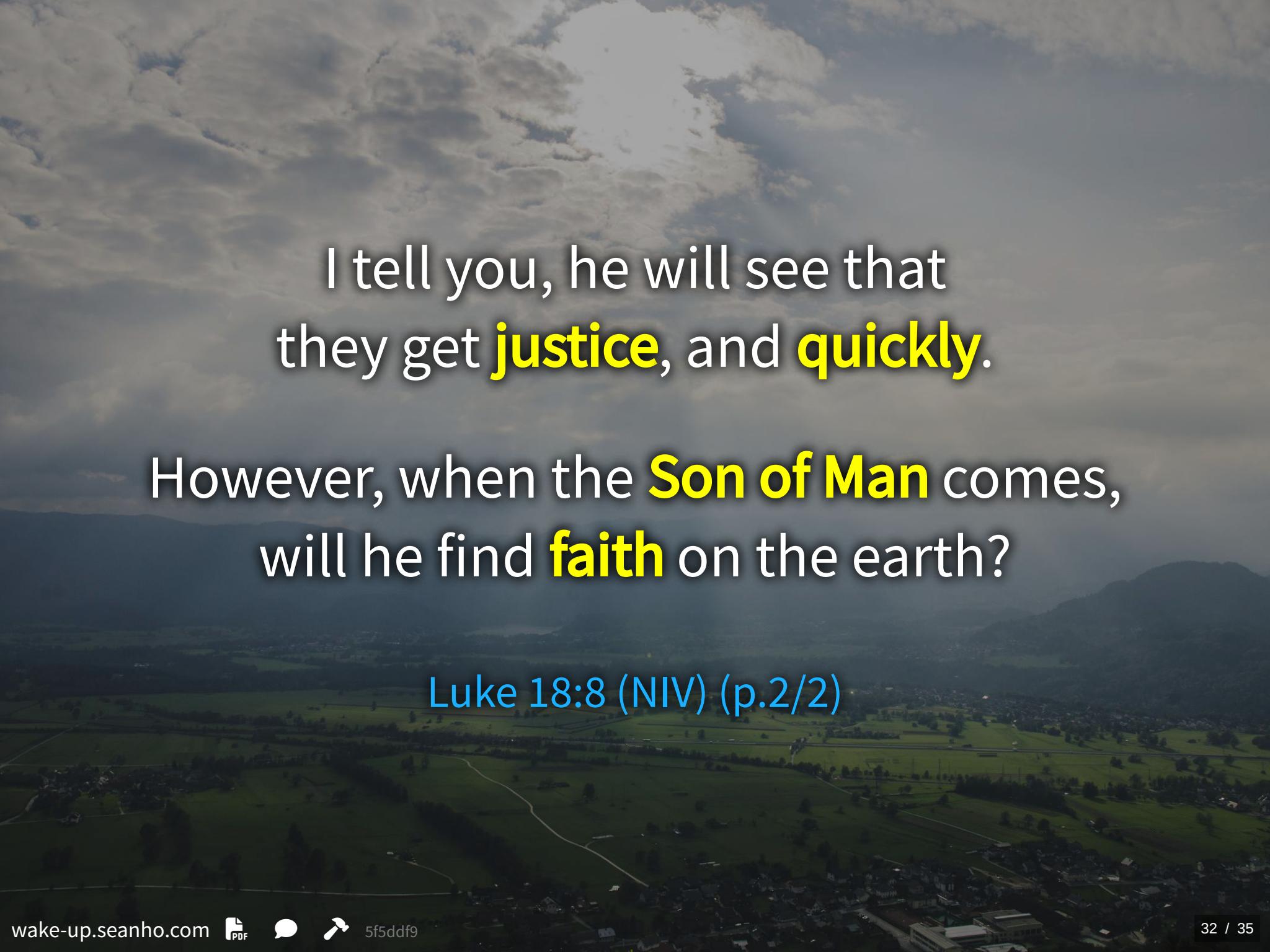
2 Peter 3:11-12 (NIV)

Ben White



And will not God bring about  
**justice** for his **chosen ones**,  
who cry out to him day and night?  
Will he keep **putting them off**?

Luke 18:7 (NIV) (p.1/2)

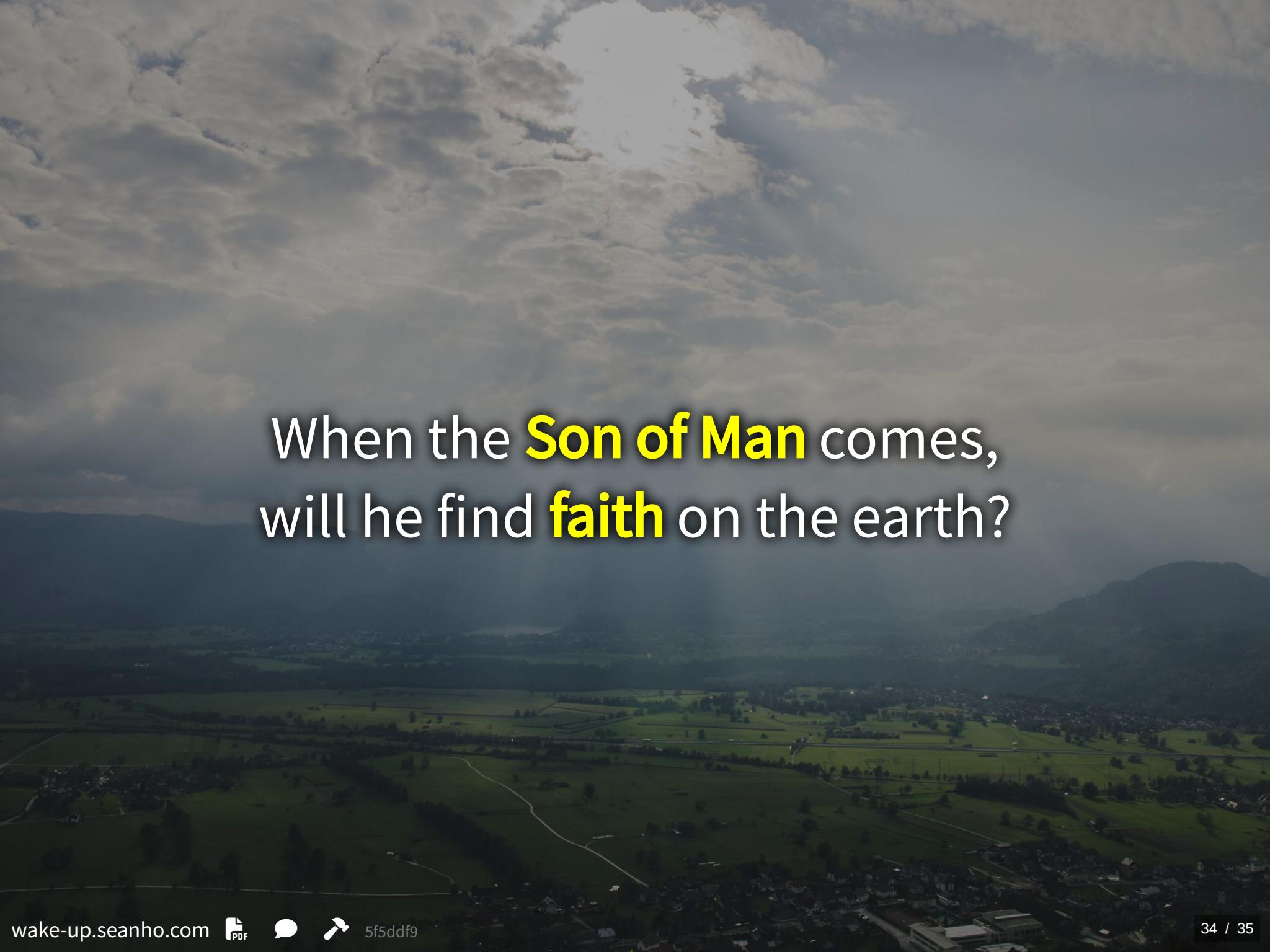
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I tell you, he will see that  
they get **justice**, and **quickly**.

However, when the **Son of Man** comes,  
will he find **faith** on the earth?

Luke 18:8 (NIV) (p.2/2)

**Do my *lifestyle* and *reverence*  
welcome Christ's return?**

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