

SERMON: Miracles of Healing

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From Elijah, to Jesus, to Peter, to Paul—miracles of healing are all throughout the Bible. Yet, when it comes to physical, mental, or emotional illness in our own lives, it gets harder to believe, doesn't it? What do you do when you pray for healing and don't see the miracle you're looking for? It can be tempting to believe that God isn't close to us, He doesn't care, or maybe He's not even real. Shall we stop praying for healing? By all means no. We learn in God's word to ask, seek, and knock. Jesus always hears us.

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Our God _____ . But He doesn't heal _____ all the time.

2 Timothy 4:20, 1 Timothy 5:23

Three Reasons Jesus Didn't Do Miracles ...

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2. Jesus never performed a miracle that _____ with God's ultimate plan.

Matthew 26:53-54

3. Jesus didn't do miracles where there was _____.

Matthew 13:58, Mark 5:34, Luke 17:19, Mark 10:52, Mark 9:24

And they took offense at him. But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own town and in his own home." And he did not do many miracles there because of their lack of faith. – Matthew 13:57-58

Our faith isn't based on what God _____, but on

_____ He _____!

Psalms 147:1-11, Mark 2:1-12, Ephesians 6:10-12



Questions for individual or group reflection:

Have you ever experienced a miracle? What happened?

Is it easy or hard for you to believe God still heals?

What is the state of your faith? If it's strong, what makes you say that? If it's weak, why?

When is the last time you asked God for a miracle? What happened? Why do you think it can be so difficult to ask for a miracle for yourself or people you're close to?

What physical, spiritual, or emotional miracle are you trusting God with? – Share it with someone you trust, an elder or pastor.

What do you make of James' admonition in James 5:13-16?

Read John 14:12. What do you do with Jesus' statement here? What do you think He meant by it?

If our faith is based on who God is more than what He has done (lately), describe what you believe about who God is.

Pray: Good Father, You performed the ultimate healing miracle when You saved us from eternal separation from You by giving us Jesus. Thank You for that. I believe You have the power to heal any physical, emotional, or spiritual illness. I believe You can, and I trust You with the results. Amen!

Do: Write down the miracle you're asking God for, and share it with another person.

Taking it home / Memory Verse:

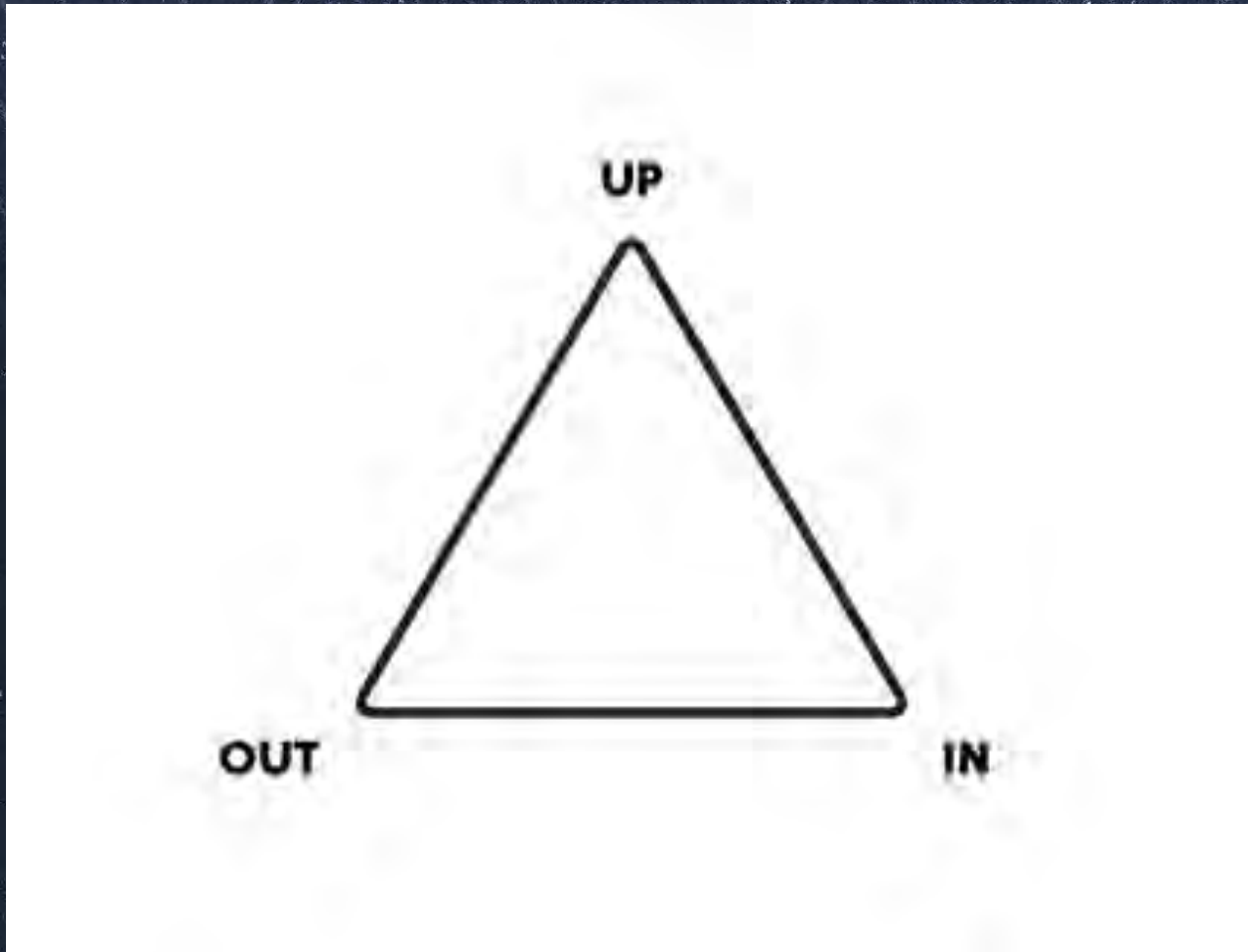
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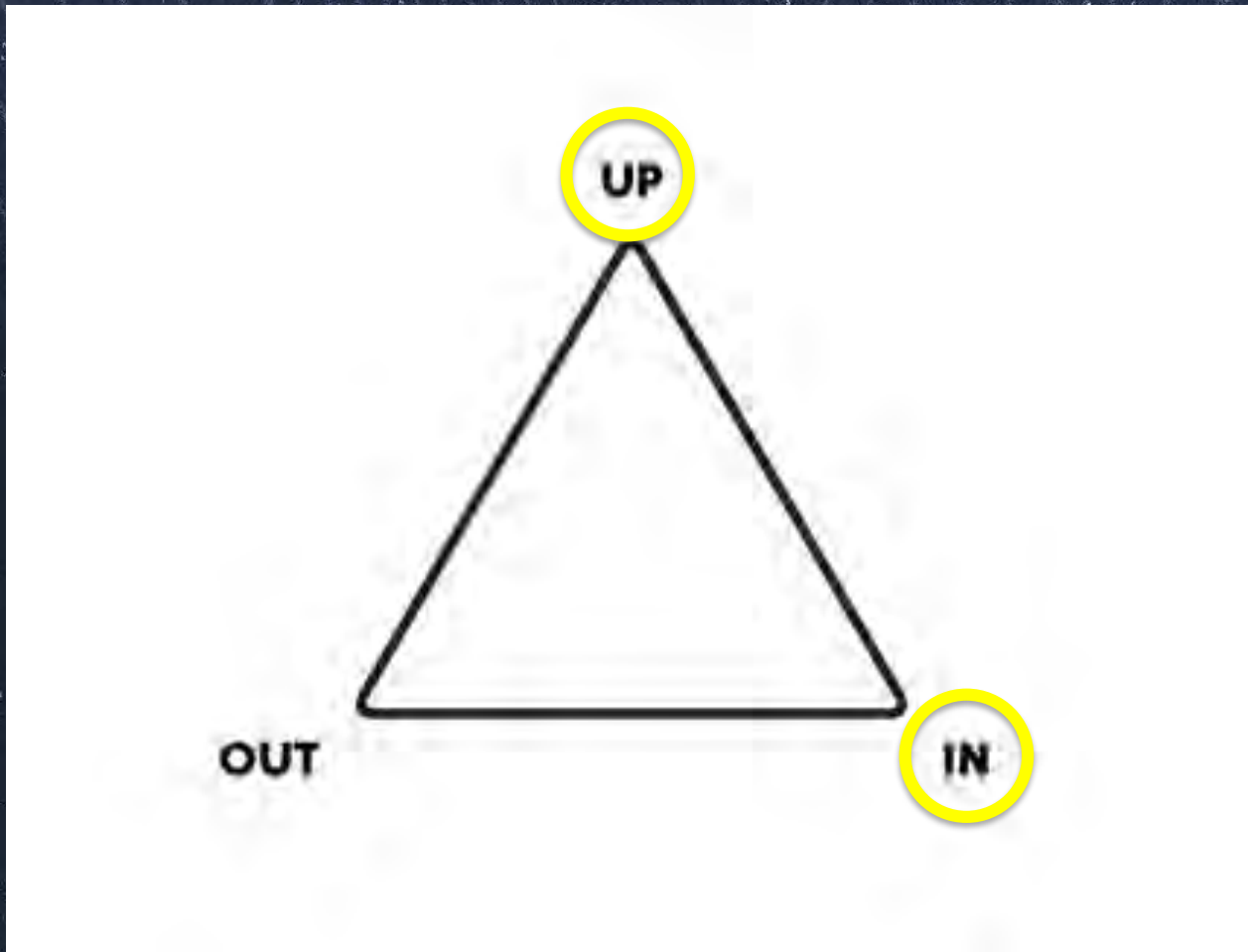
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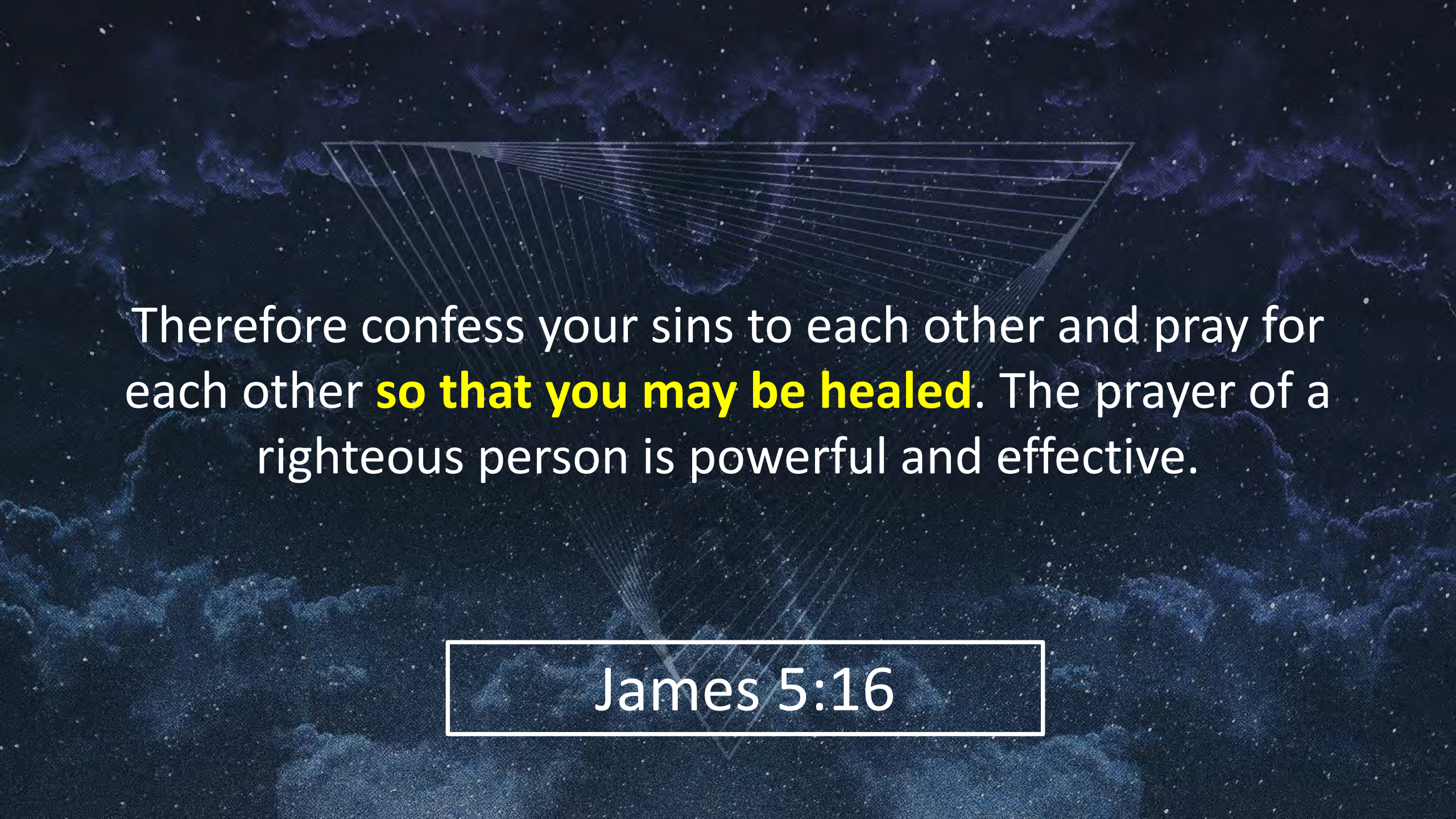


“Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost. - Isaiah 55:1

Then Jesus declared, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me **will never be thirsty.** - John 6:35

On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, **“Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink.”** - John 7:37

The Spirit and the bride say, “Come!” And let the one who hears say, **“Come!” Let the one who is thirsty come;** and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life. - Revelation 22:17



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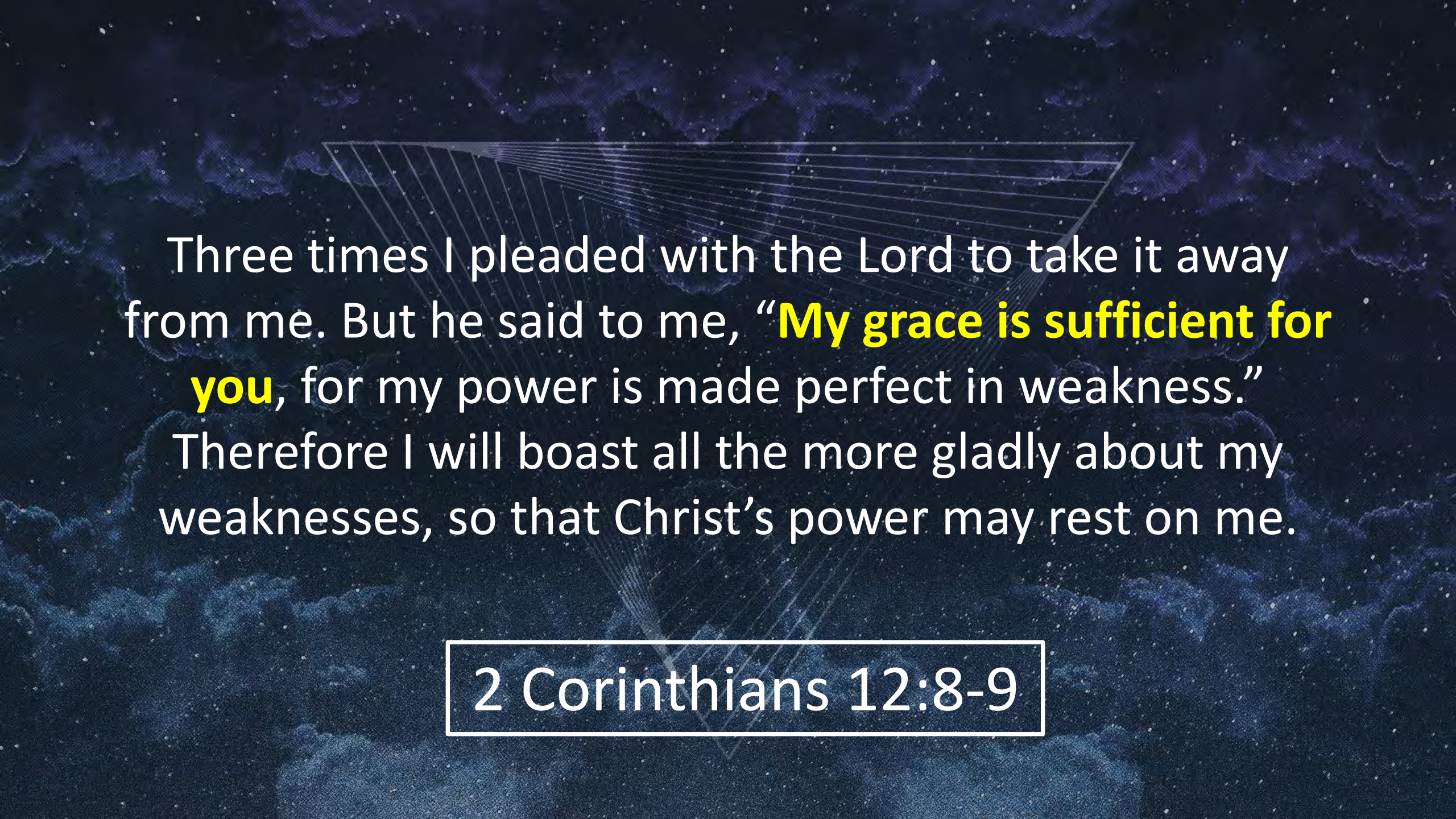
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“Erastus stayed in Corinth, and I left Trophimus sick in Miletus.”

2 Timothy 4:20



Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. But he said to me, “**My grace is sufficient for you**, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me.

2 Corinthians 12:8-9

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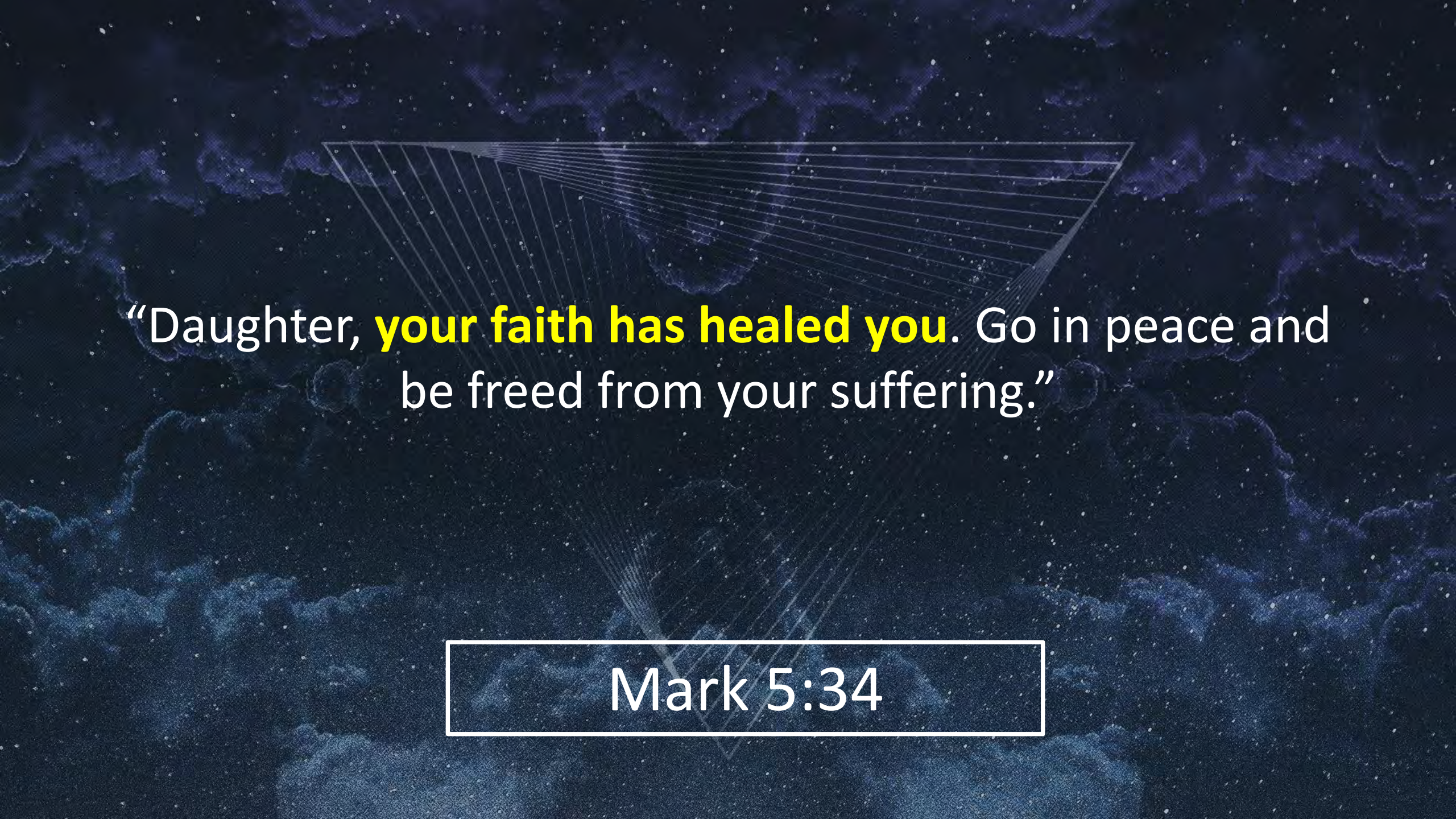
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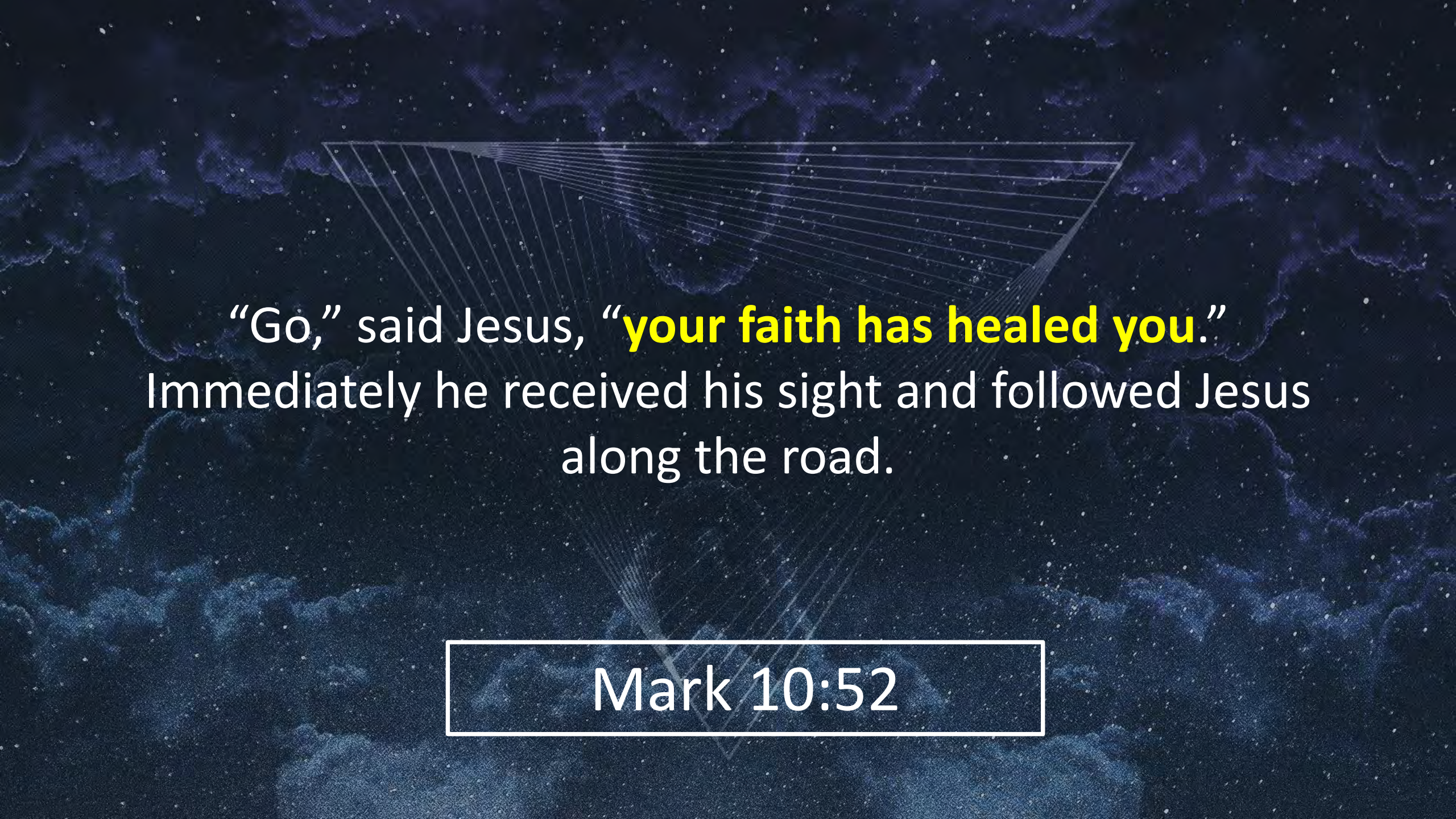
“Daughter, **your faith has healed you**. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering.”

Mark 5:34



Then he said to him, "Rise and go;
your faith has made you well."

Luke 17:19



“Go,” said Jesus, “**your faith has healed you.**”
Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus
along the road.

Mark 10:52



Immediately the boy's father exclaimed, "I do believe;
help me overcome my unbelief!"

Mark 9:24

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“If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, **the God we serve is able** to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty’s hand. **But even if he does not**, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.”







