

Developing Patience and Prayer



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Be patient, then, brothers, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop and how patient he is for the autumn and spring rains. You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near.

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"As an example of patience in the face of suffering, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord."

- James 5:10

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"Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven ..."

- Matthew 5:13-14

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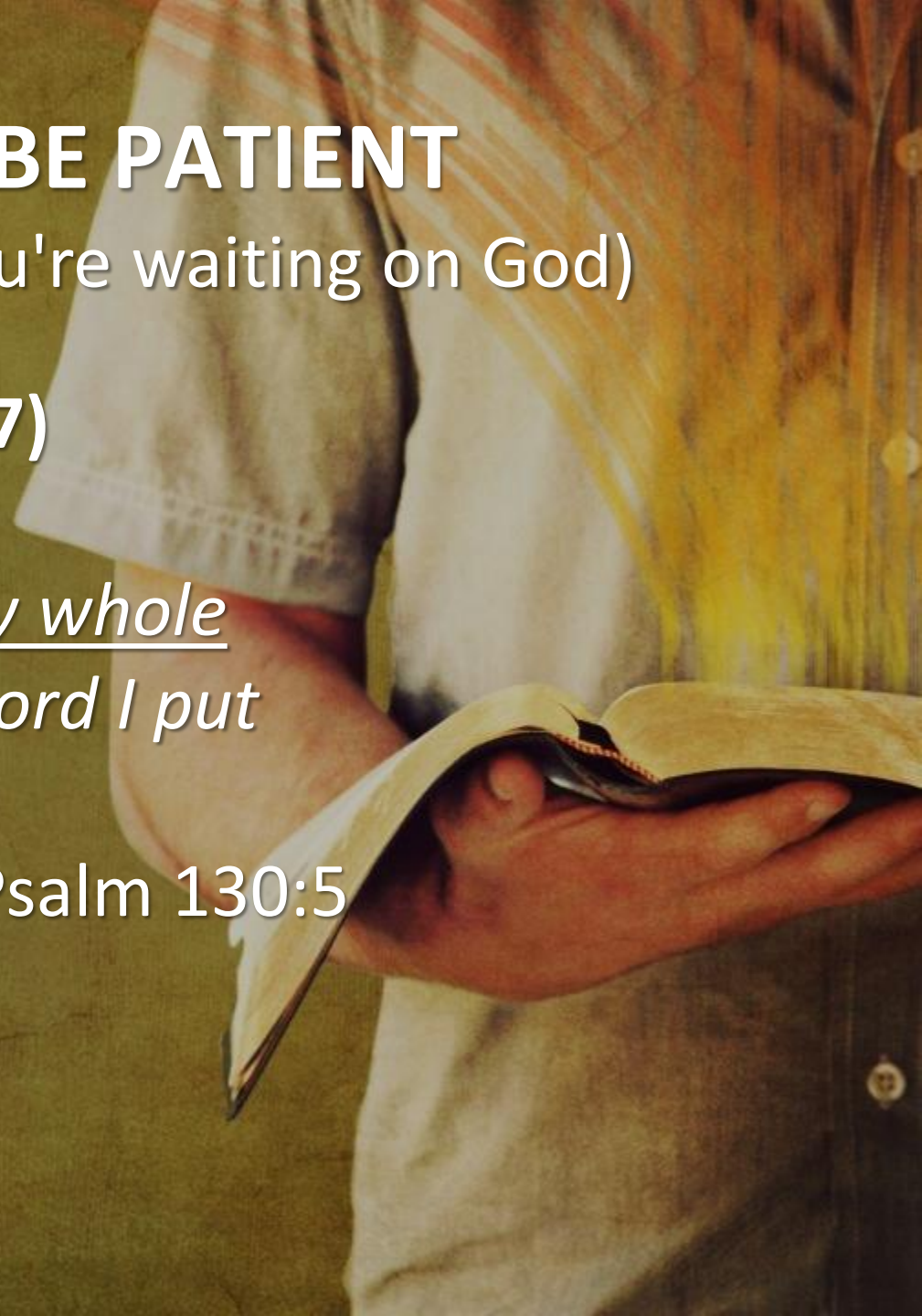
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"... I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits, and in his word I put my hope."

- Psalm 130:5



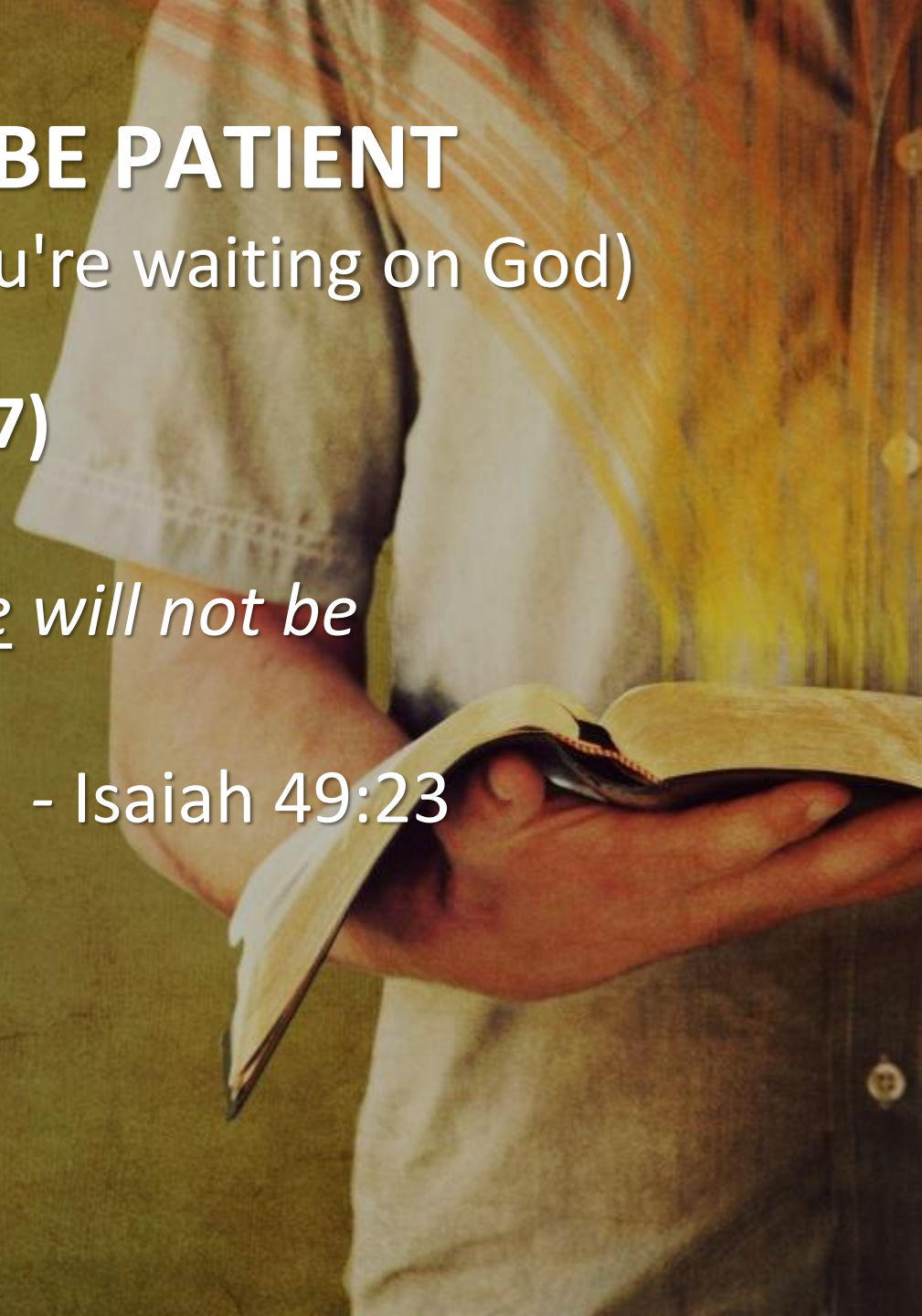
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"... those who hope in me will not be disappointed."

- Isaiah 49:23



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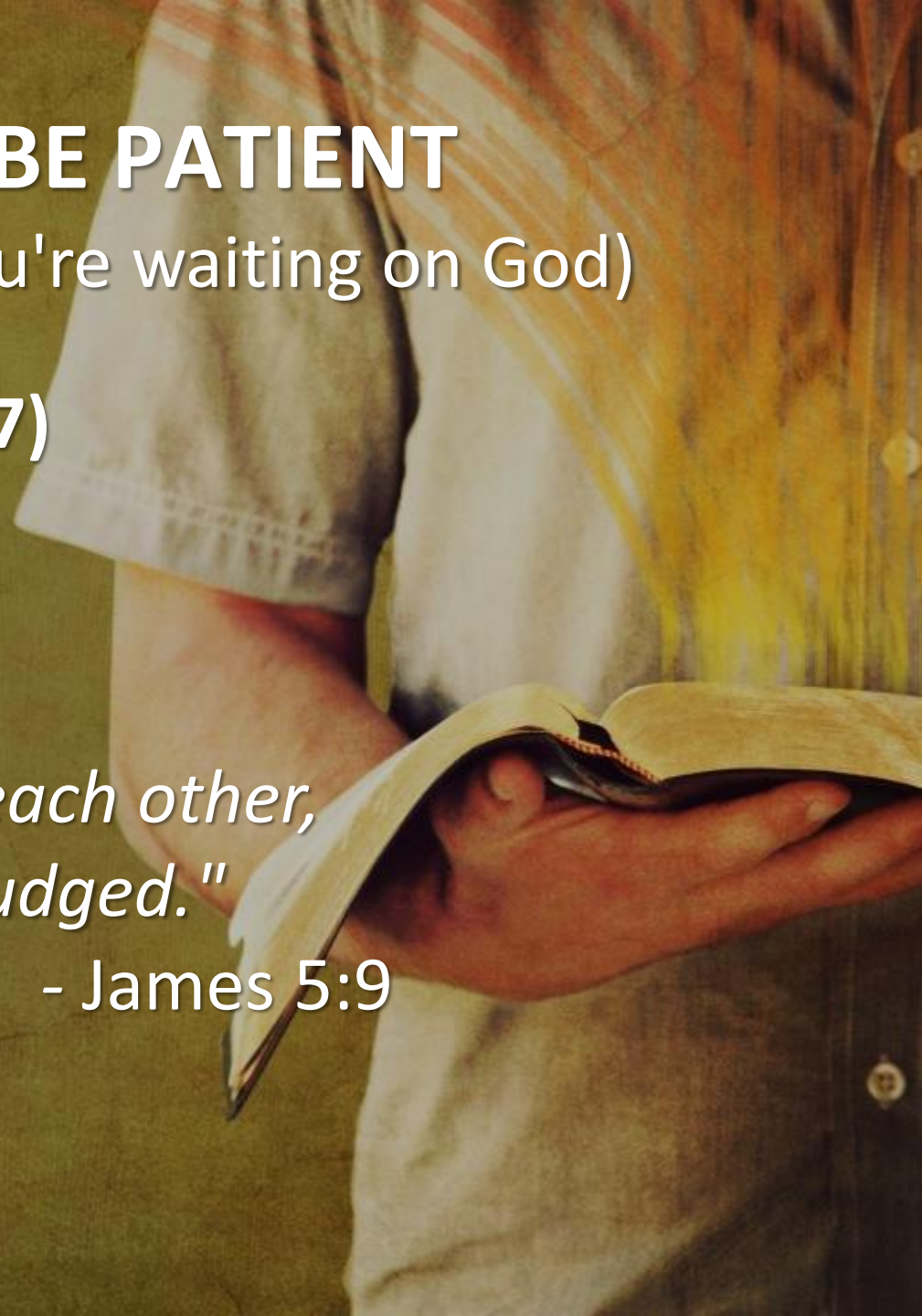
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"Don't grumble against each other, brothers, or you will be judged."

- James 5:9



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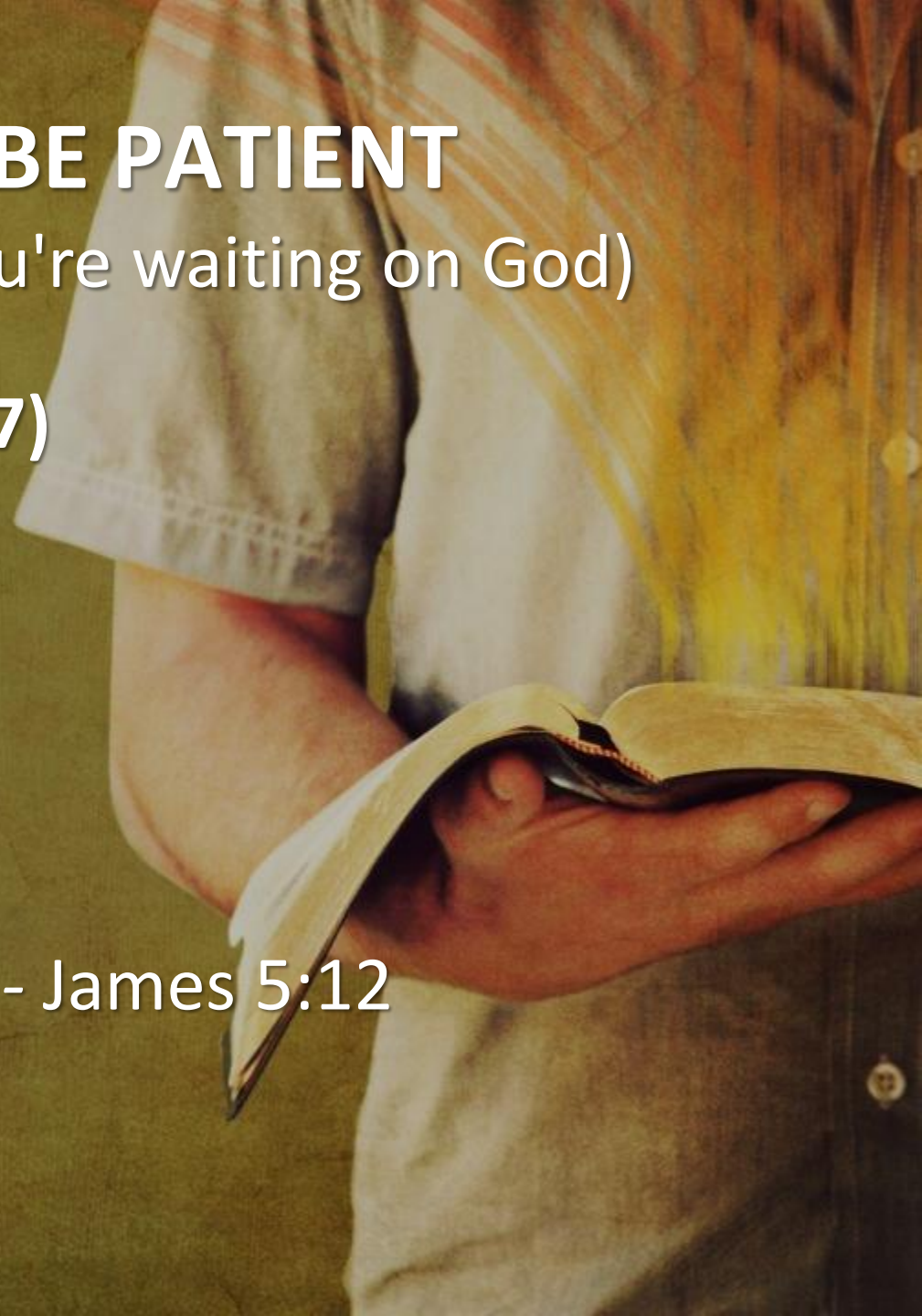
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*"Above all, my brothers,
don't swear."*

- James 5:12



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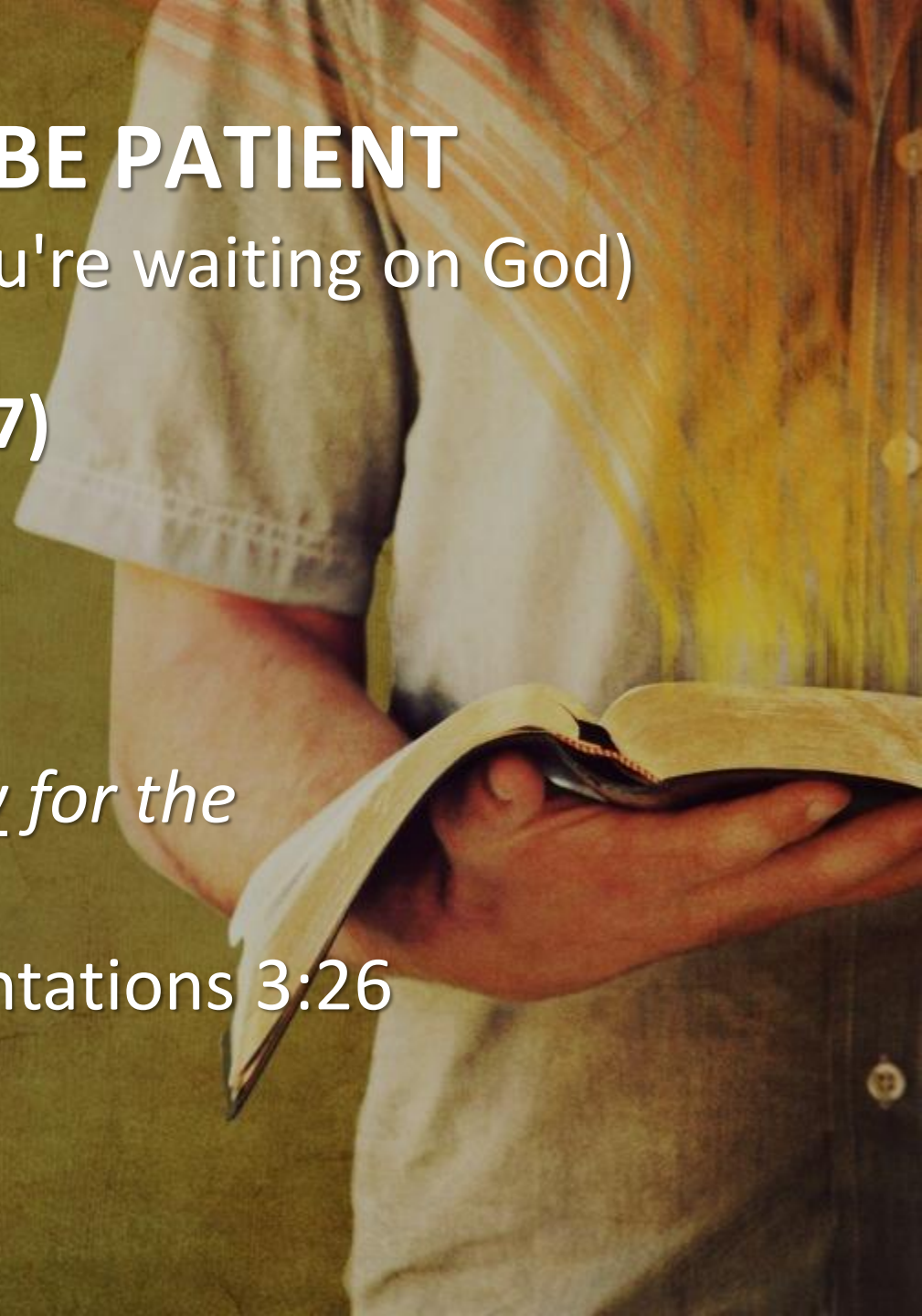
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"It is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord."

- Lamentations 3:26



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"For the revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it linger, wait for it; it will certainly come and will not delay!"

- Habakkuk 2:3

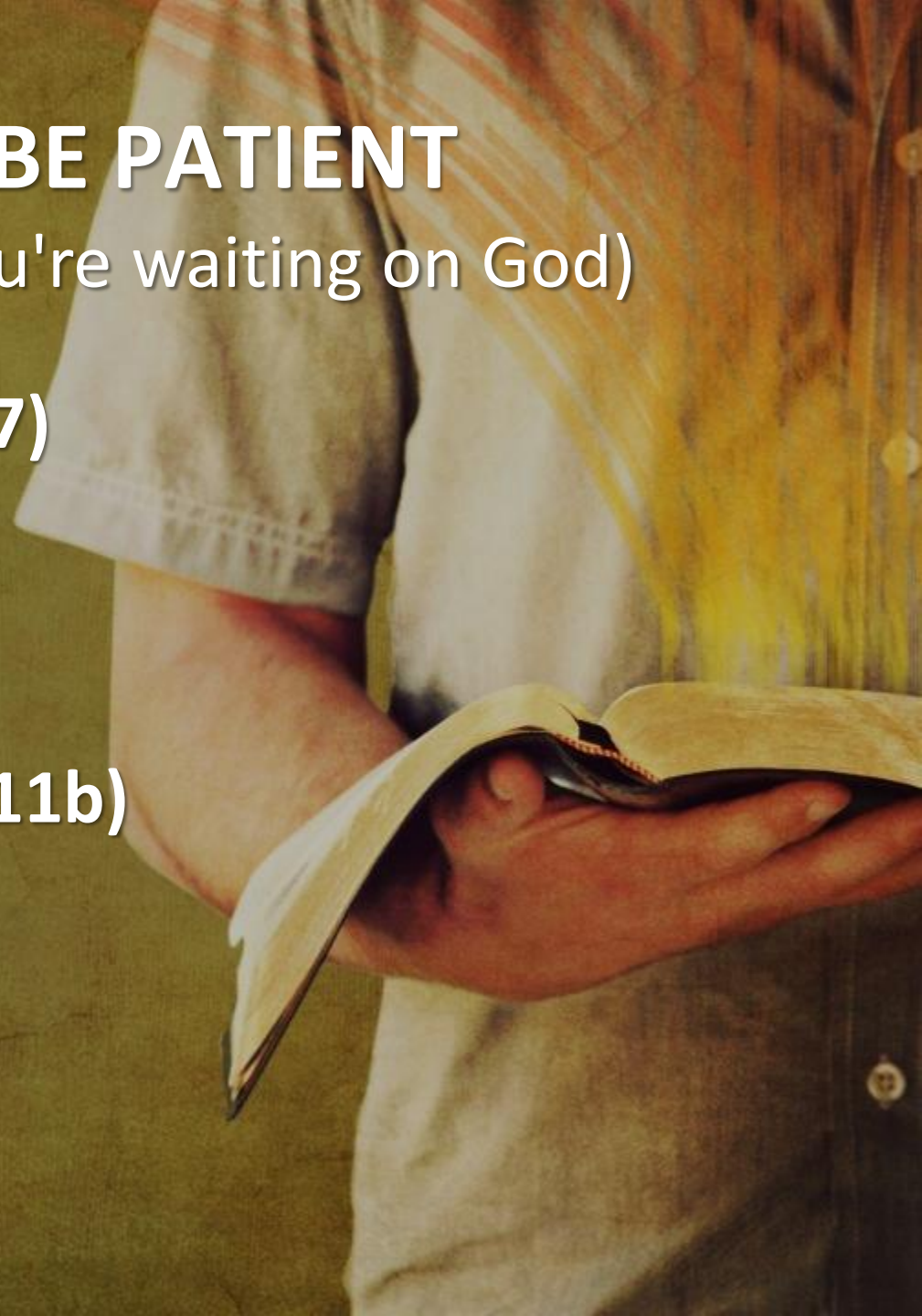
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"I will wait confidently for God ..."

- Micah 7:7



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*"Be still before the Lord and wait
patiently for Him to act."*

- Psalm 37:7

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"Elijah was a man with a nature like ours ..."

- James 5:17a, ESV

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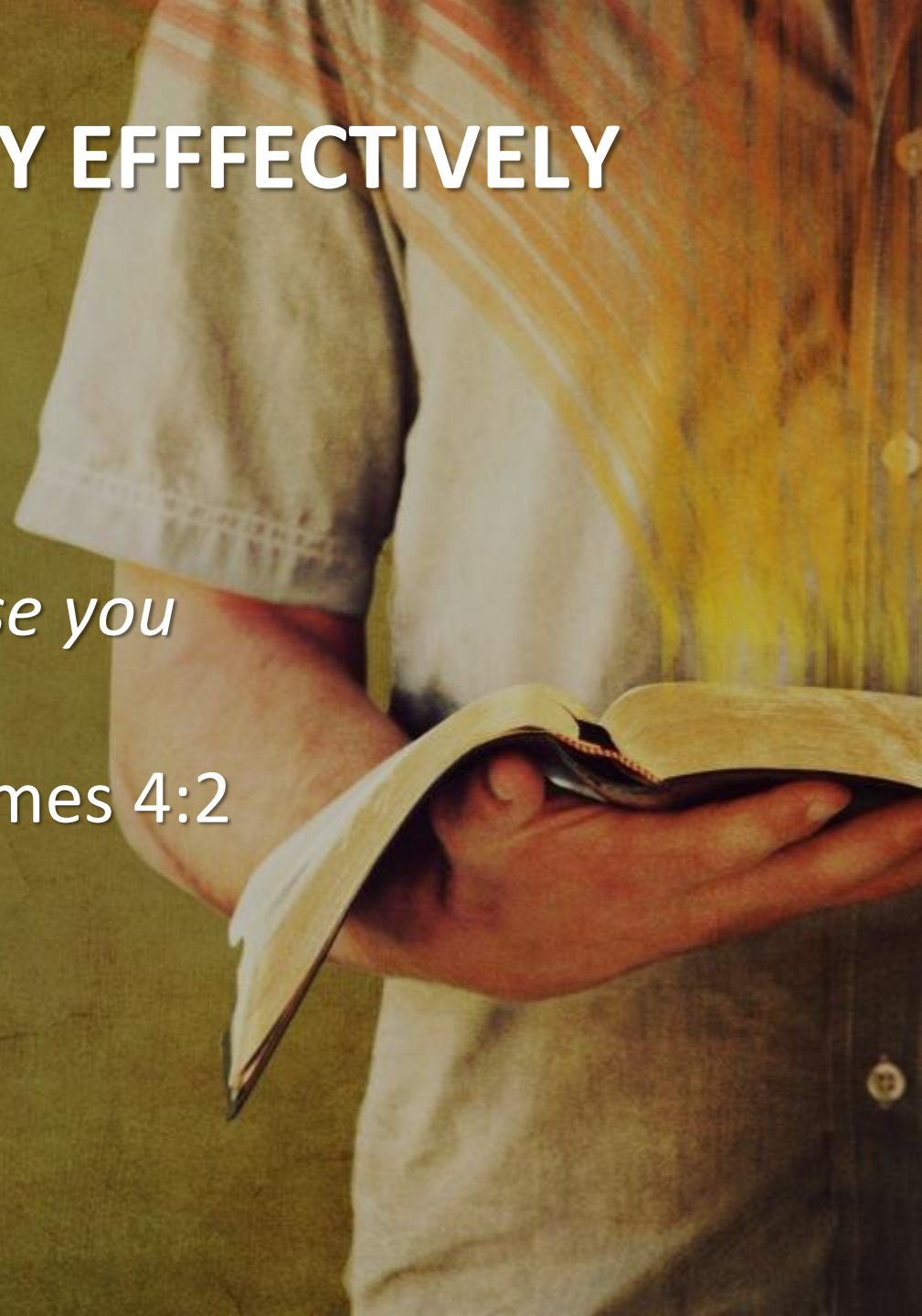


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"You do not have, because you do not ask God"

- James 4:2



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"When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with the wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures."

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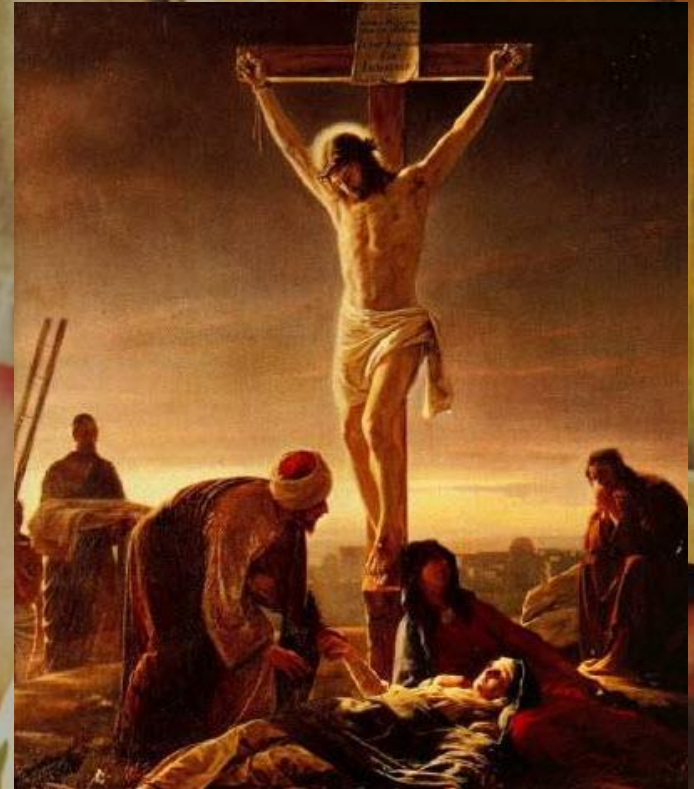
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"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective"

- James 5:16b



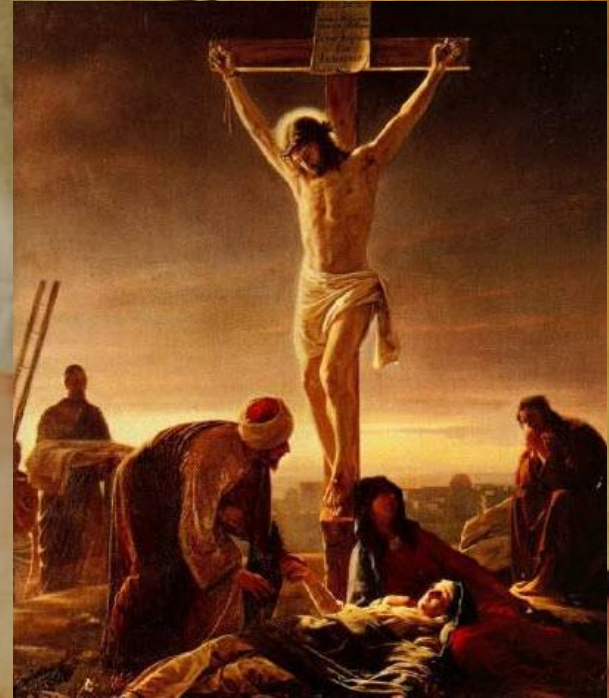
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"But your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear"
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*"But when he asks, he must believe
and not doubt..."* - James 1:6



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