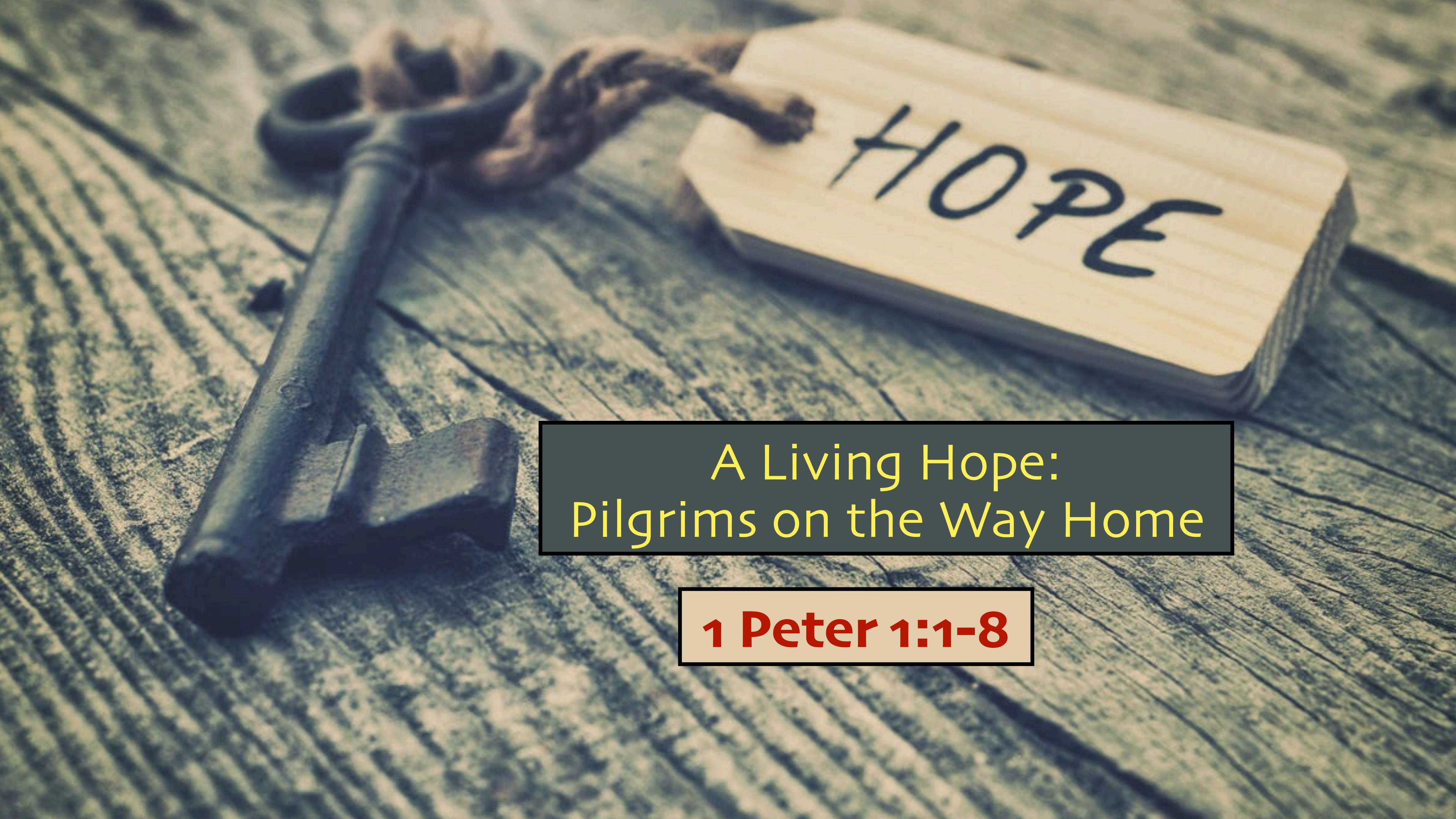


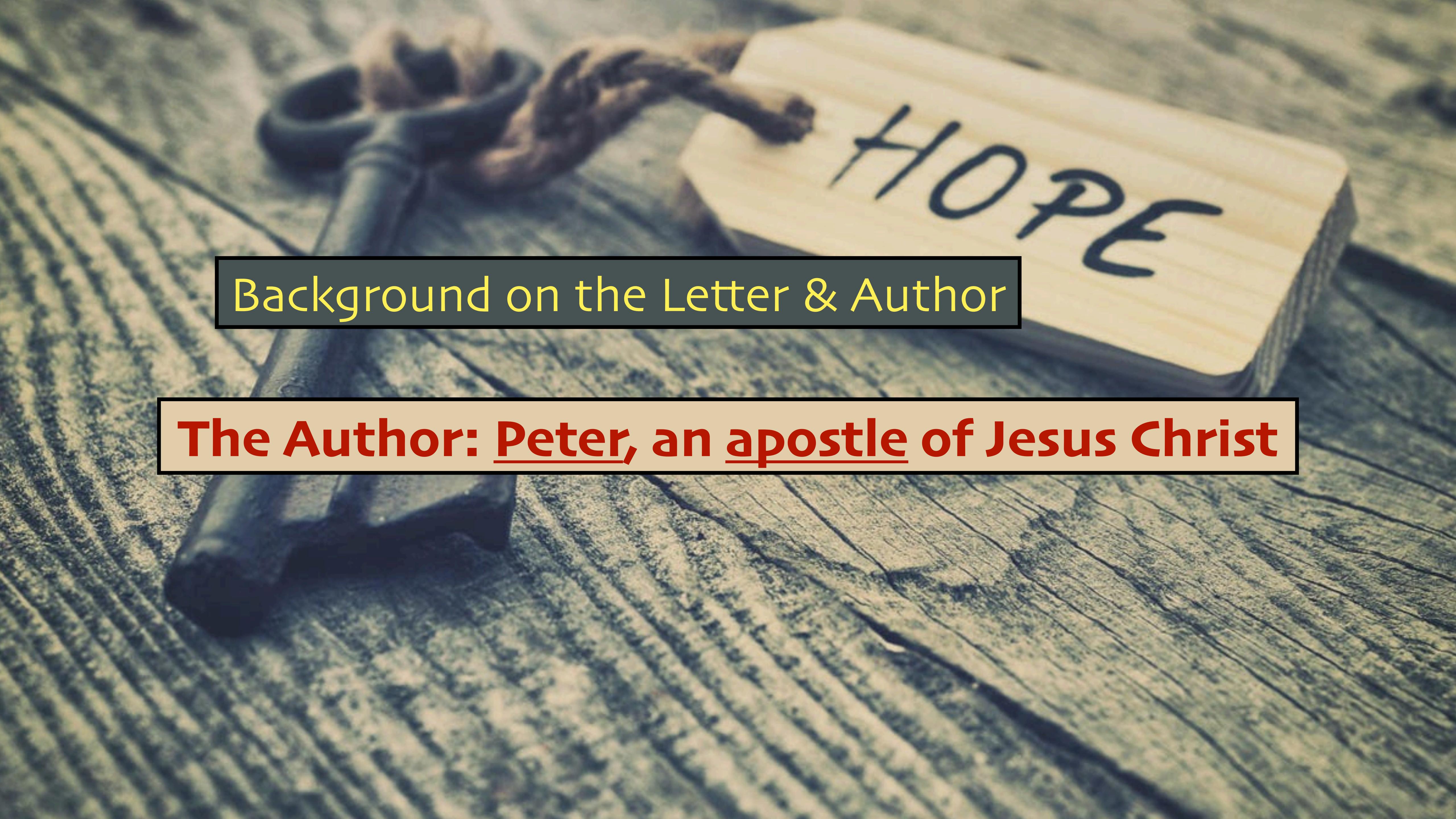


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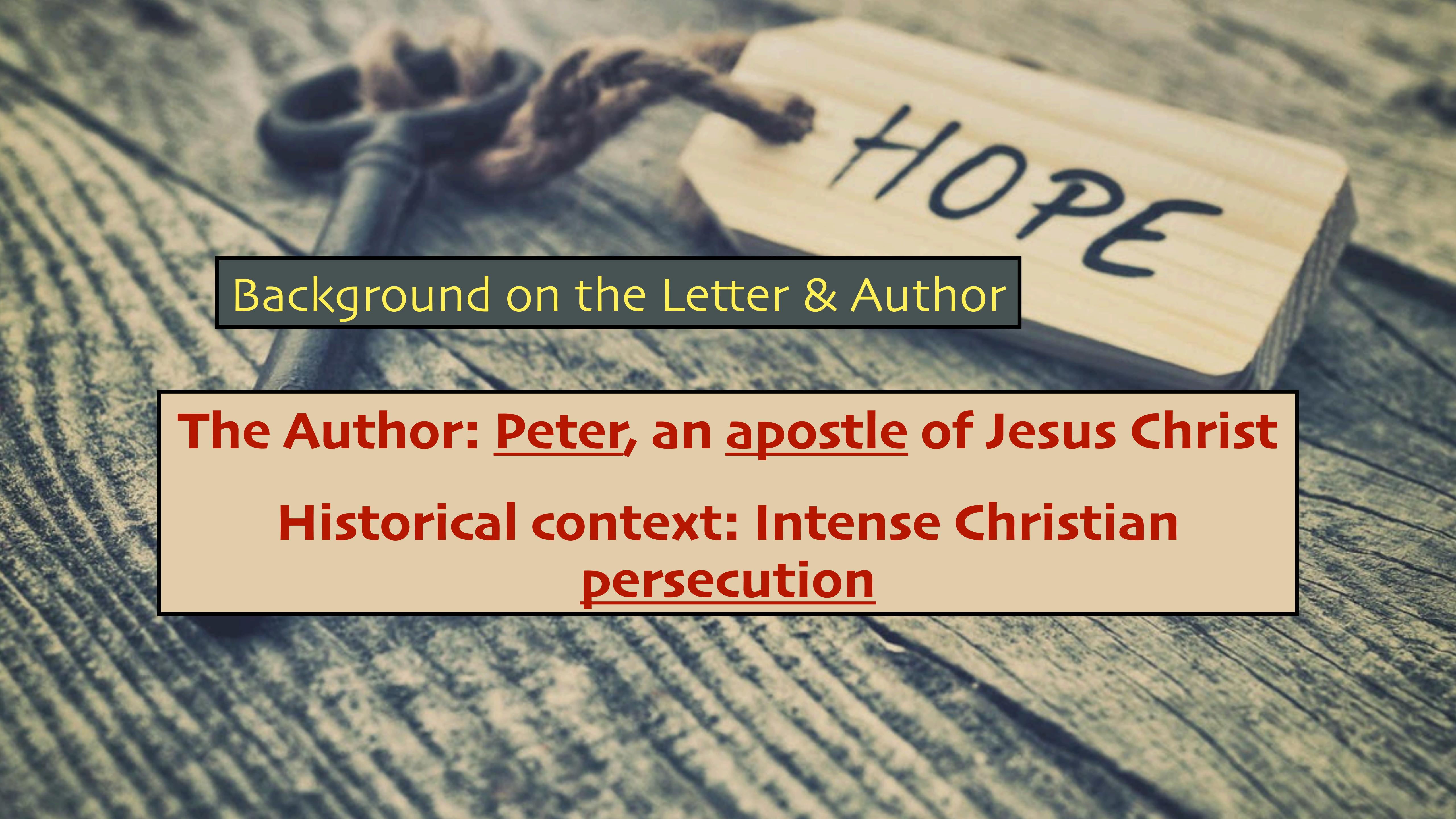
A Living Hope:
Pilgrims on the Way Home

1 Peter 1:1-8



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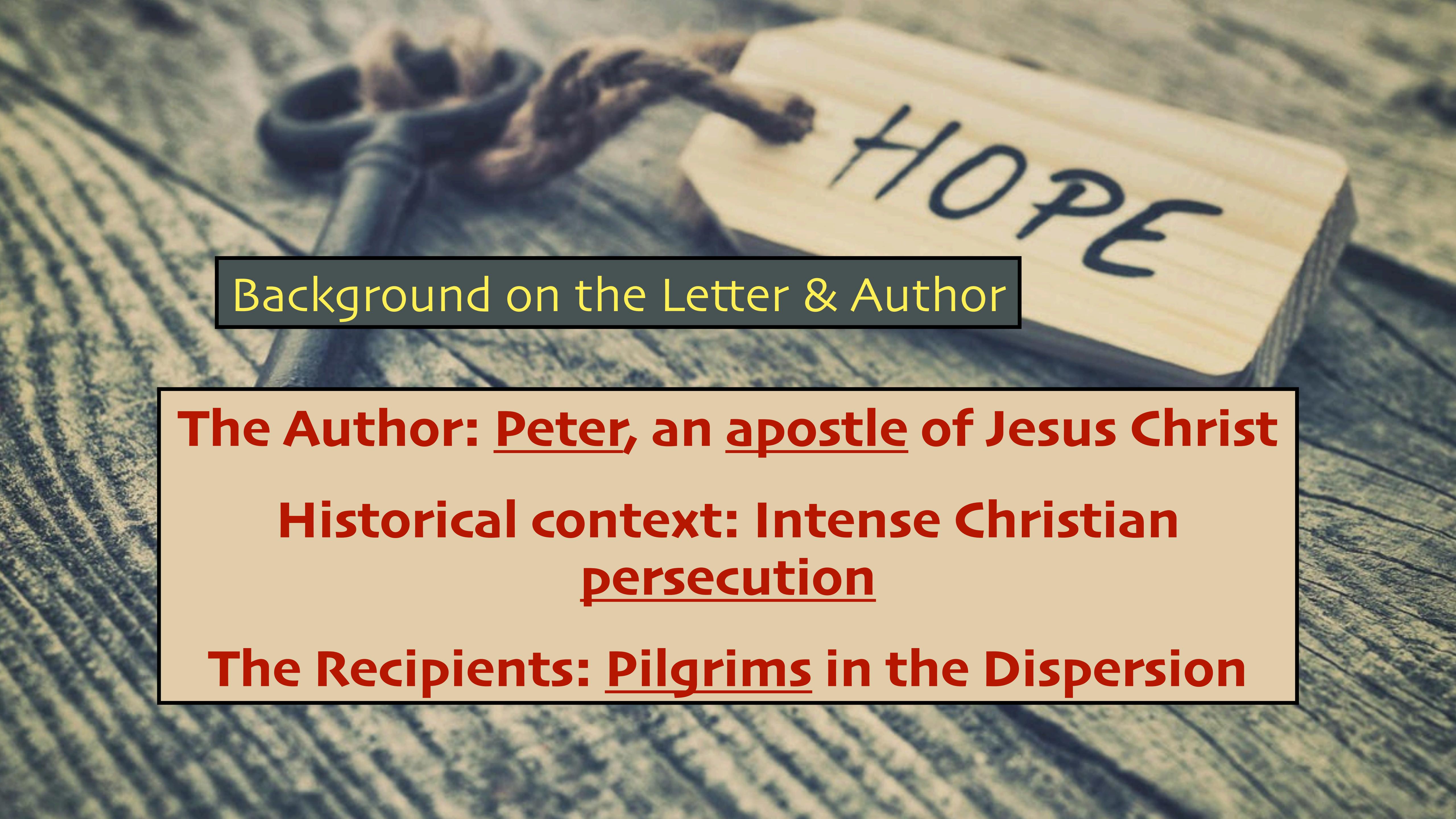
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Two Central Themes:

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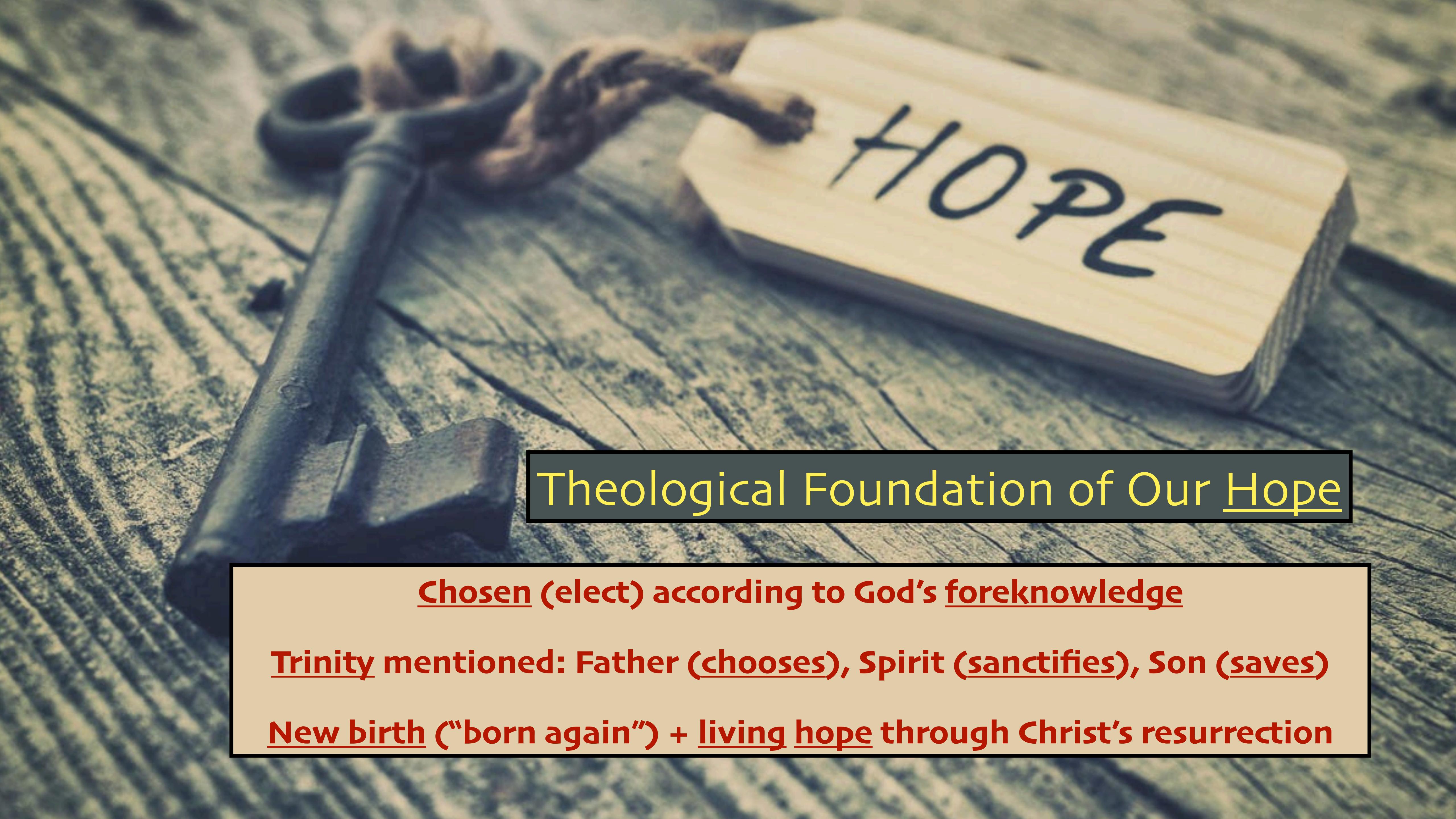
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A close-up photograph of a hand holding a small wooden cross. A small, rectangular wooden tag is attached to the cross with a string. The tag has the word "HOPE" written on it in a dark, cursive font. The background is a textured, light-colored surface, possibly a book cover or endpaper.

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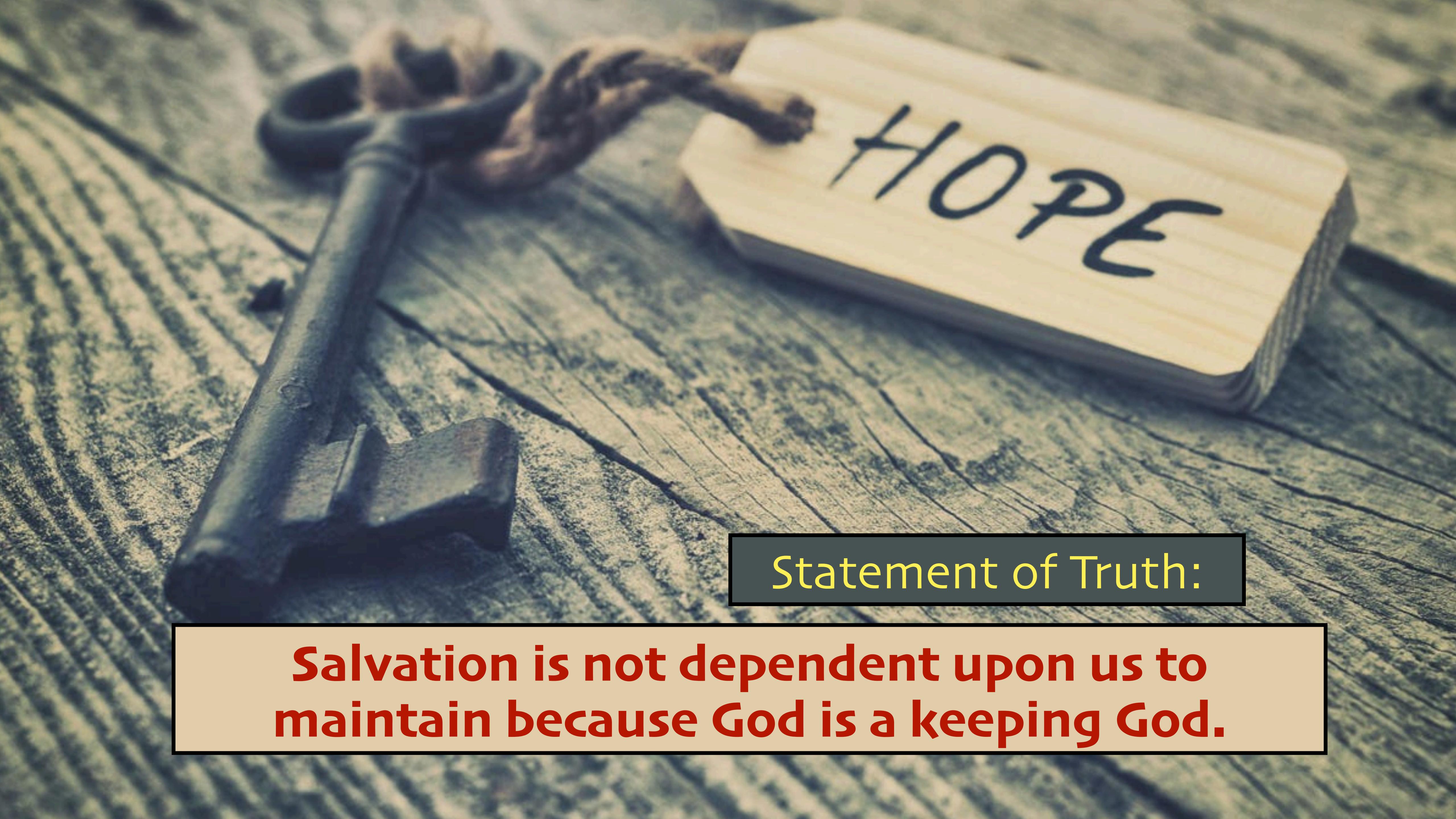


The Nature of Our Inheritance

Incorruptible, undefiled, unfading, reserved in heaven

Kept and protected by God's power through faith

Balance of divine sovereignty & human responsibility



Statement of Truth:

Salvation is not dependent upon us to maintain because God is a keeping God.