

# RELATING TO GOD







# Vision of a Holy God

Isaiah 6:1,3 NIV

*“I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple.”*

*“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory.”*

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Isaiah 6:5 NLT

*“It’s all over! I am doomed, for I am a sinful man. I have filthy lips, and I live among a people with filthy lips. Yet I have seen the King, the Lord of Heaven’s Armies.”*

**Child – Father**

**Worshipper – God**

Our Father in heaven

Hallowed be your name,



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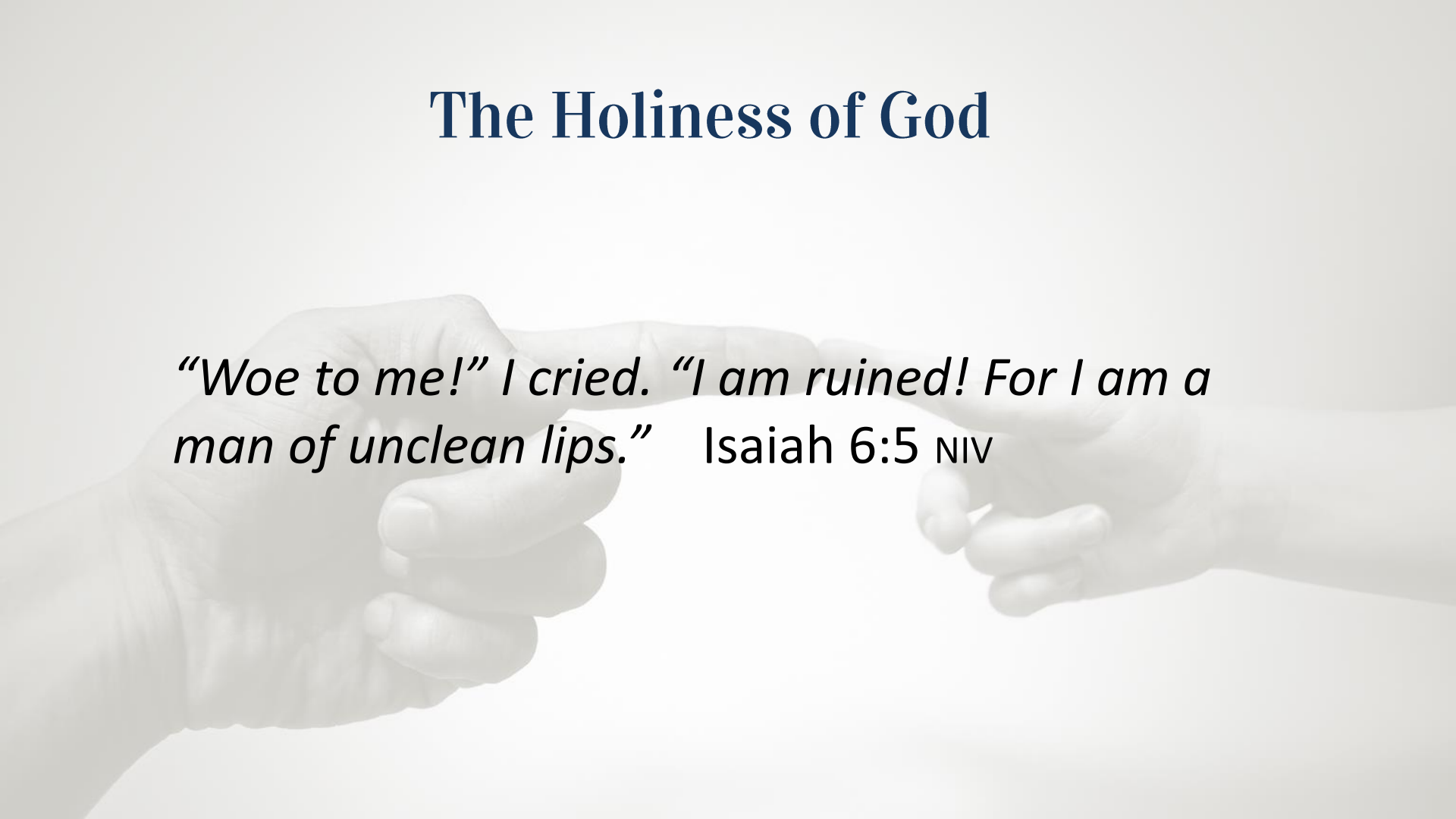
# The Knowledge of the Holy

A.W. Tozer

“God is the absolute quintessence of moral excellence, infinitely perfect in righteousness, purity, [and] rectitude .... We cannot grasp the true meaning of the divine holiness by [simply] thinking of someone or something very pure and then raising the concept to the highest degree we are capable of. God's holiness is not simply the best we know infinitely bettered. We know nothing like the divine holiness. It stands apart, unique, unapproachable, incomprehensible, and unattainable. The natural man is blind to it. He may fear God's power and admire his wisdom, but his holiness [in the sense of absolute health] he cannot even imagine. Only the Spirit of the Holy One can impart to the human spirit the knowledge of the holy.”

# The Holiness of God

*“Woe to me!” I cried. “I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips.”* Isaiah 6:5 NIV



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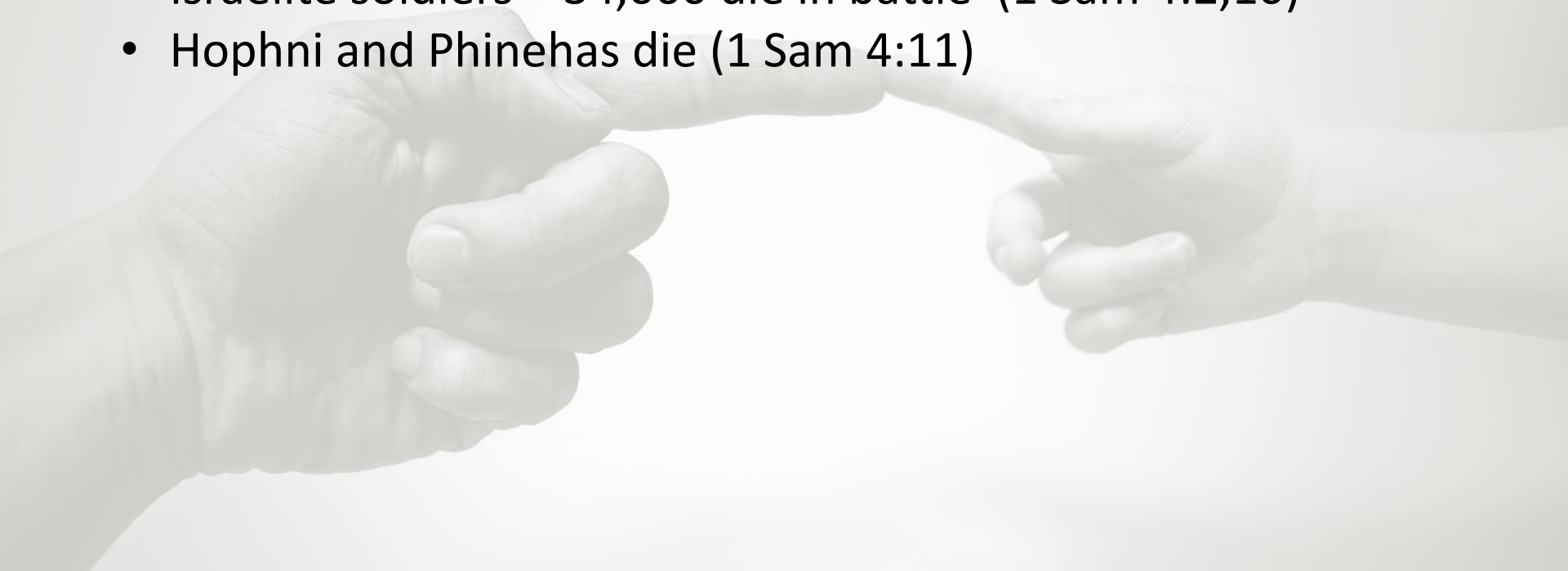
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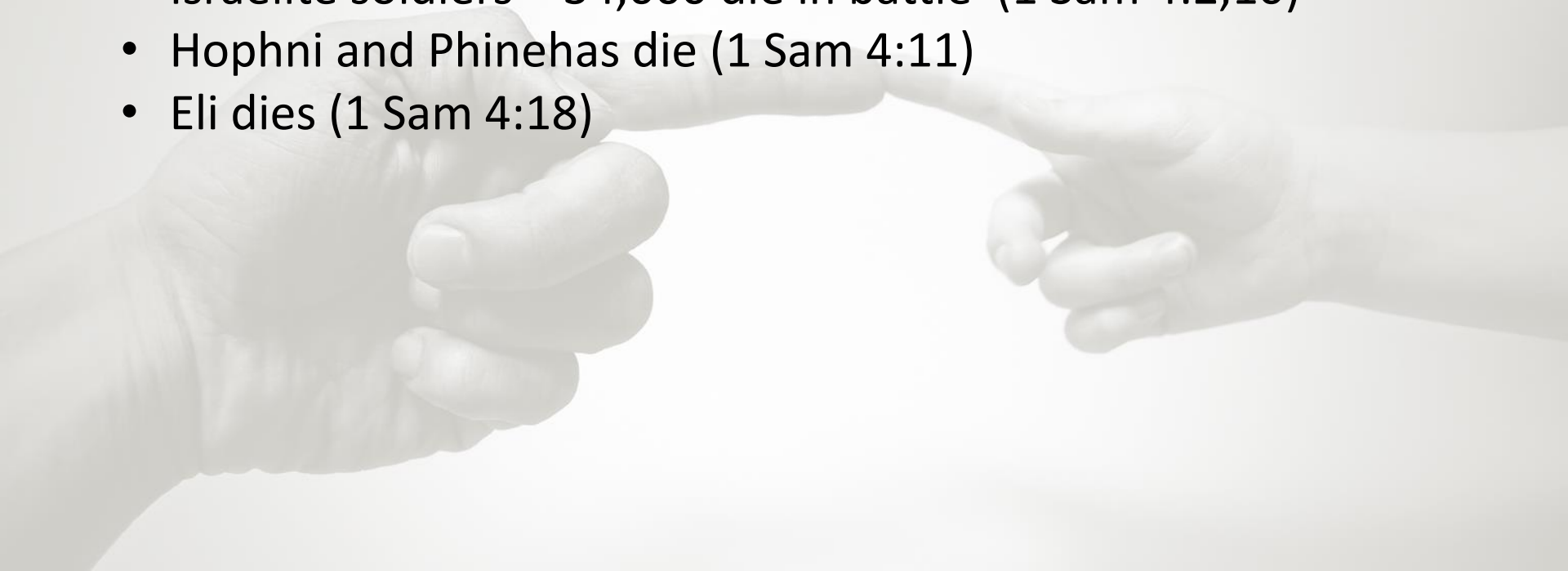
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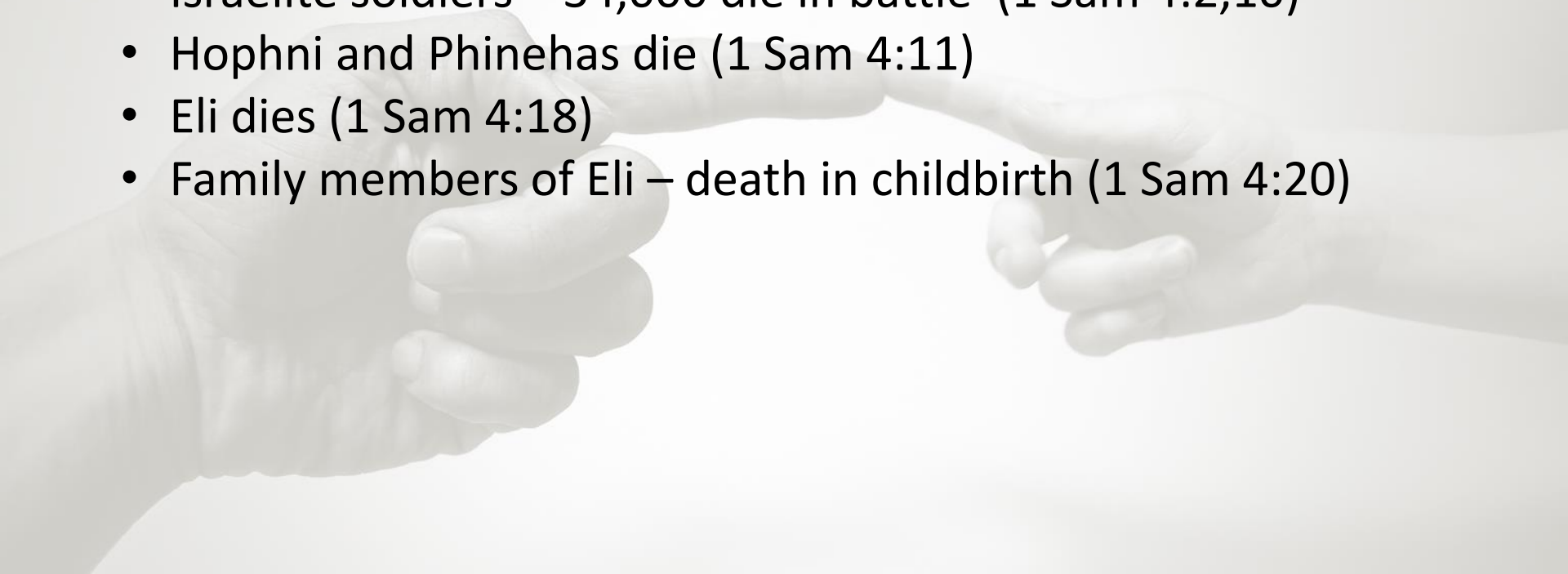
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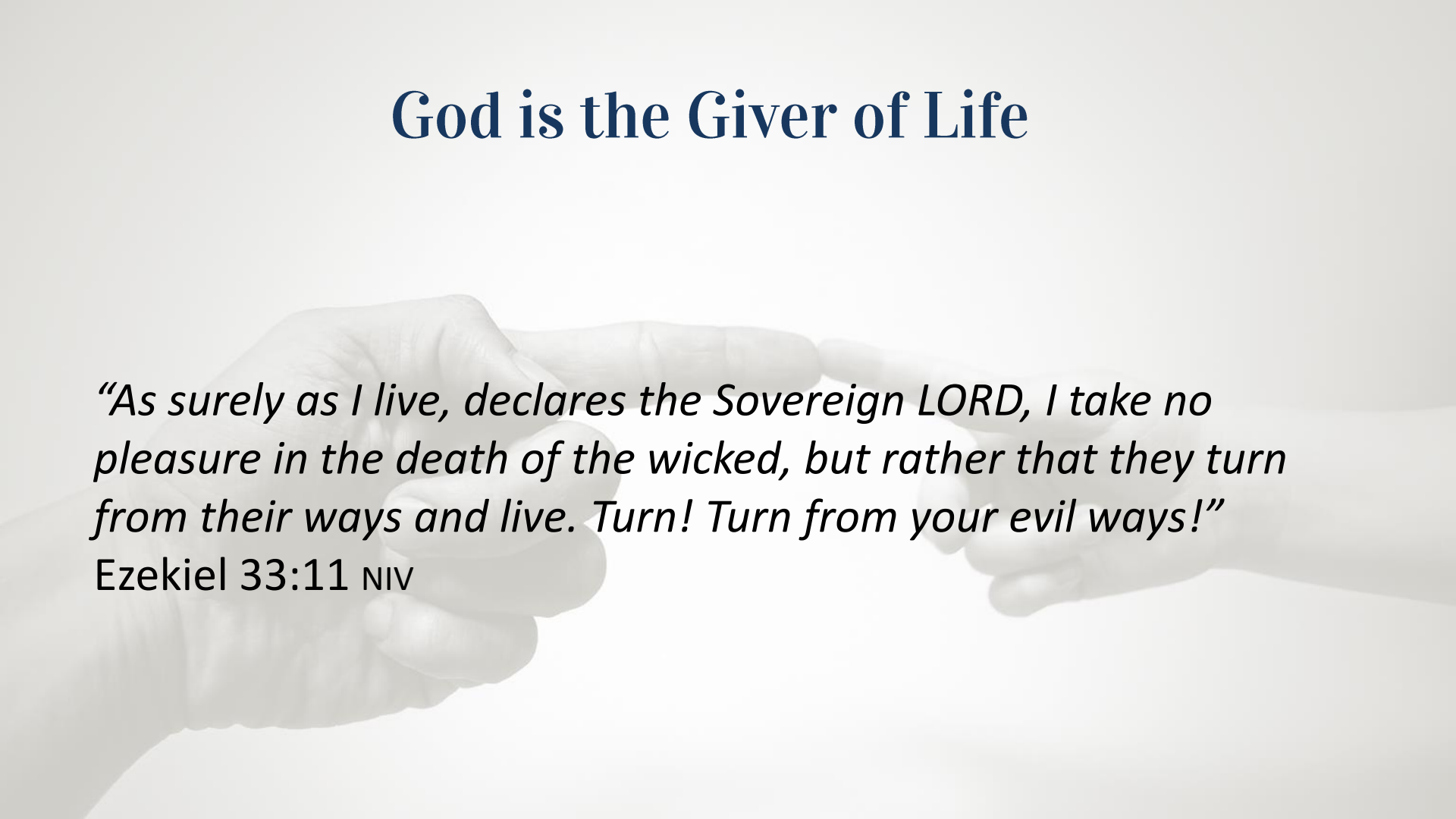
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- 70 Levites die (1 Sam 6:19)

# God is the Giver of Life

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*“As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign LORD, 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!”*

Ezekiel 33:11 NIV

# God is the Giver of Life

Not...

“Why does God at times punish people with death?”

But...

“Why does God allow any evildoers to live?”

“The biblical doctrine of God's wrath is rooted in the doctrine of God as the good, wise, and loving Creator, who hates — yes, hates, and hates implacably — anything that spoils, defaces, distorts, or damages his beautiful creation, and in particular anything that does that to his image-bearing creatures. If God does not hate racial prejudice, he is neither good nor loving. If God is not wrathful at child abuse, he is neither good nor loving. If God is not utterly determined to root out from his creation, in an act of proper wrath and judgment, the arrogance that allows people to exploit, bomb, bully, and enslave one another, he is neither loving, nor good, nor wise.”

-- N.T. Wright



# Holy God – Worshipper

Colossians 1:21-22

*“This includes you who were once far away from God. You were his enemies, separated from him by your evil thoughts and actions. Yet now he has reconciled you to himself through the death of Christ in his physical body. As a result, he has brought you into his own presence, and you are holy and blameless as you stand before him without a single fault.”*