

Worship in Fellowship
Worship in Music
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Worship in Giving

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Love

Trust

Joy

Stand Firm In Your Salvation

1 Peter 1:7-12

Stand Firm Series

Life Change: That we share the sweetness of our salvation.

WHY?

Review: Our inheritance from God:

- Sparks proper praise to God- *we should "bless" Him*
- Comes through God's mercy- *we only deserve God's wrath*
- Includes a new birth- *we are made new*
- Is a living hope- *not wishful thinking, but certain*
- Is pure and permanent- *"imperishable, undefiled, and unfading"*
- Is guarded by God- *nothing can take it away, not even ourselves*
- Is based on faith- *trust, not works*
- Is appreciated as we endure trials- *the testing proves its depths*
- Is a journey bringing praise, honor, and glory- *both to God and us*

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We profit from the prophets

v. 9-12

Intricacies of Salvation

Tension abounds

v. 8

Angels unaware

v. 12

God ordained my salvation (Ephesians 1), and I must respond in faith (Romans 10:9-10). I am to go share the truth with all, even the broken and vilest of sinners (Matthew 28:19-20) and yet not walk in the way of the wicked, stand in the way of sinners, nor sit in the seat of scoffers (Psalm 1). – JM.



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a study of 1 Peter

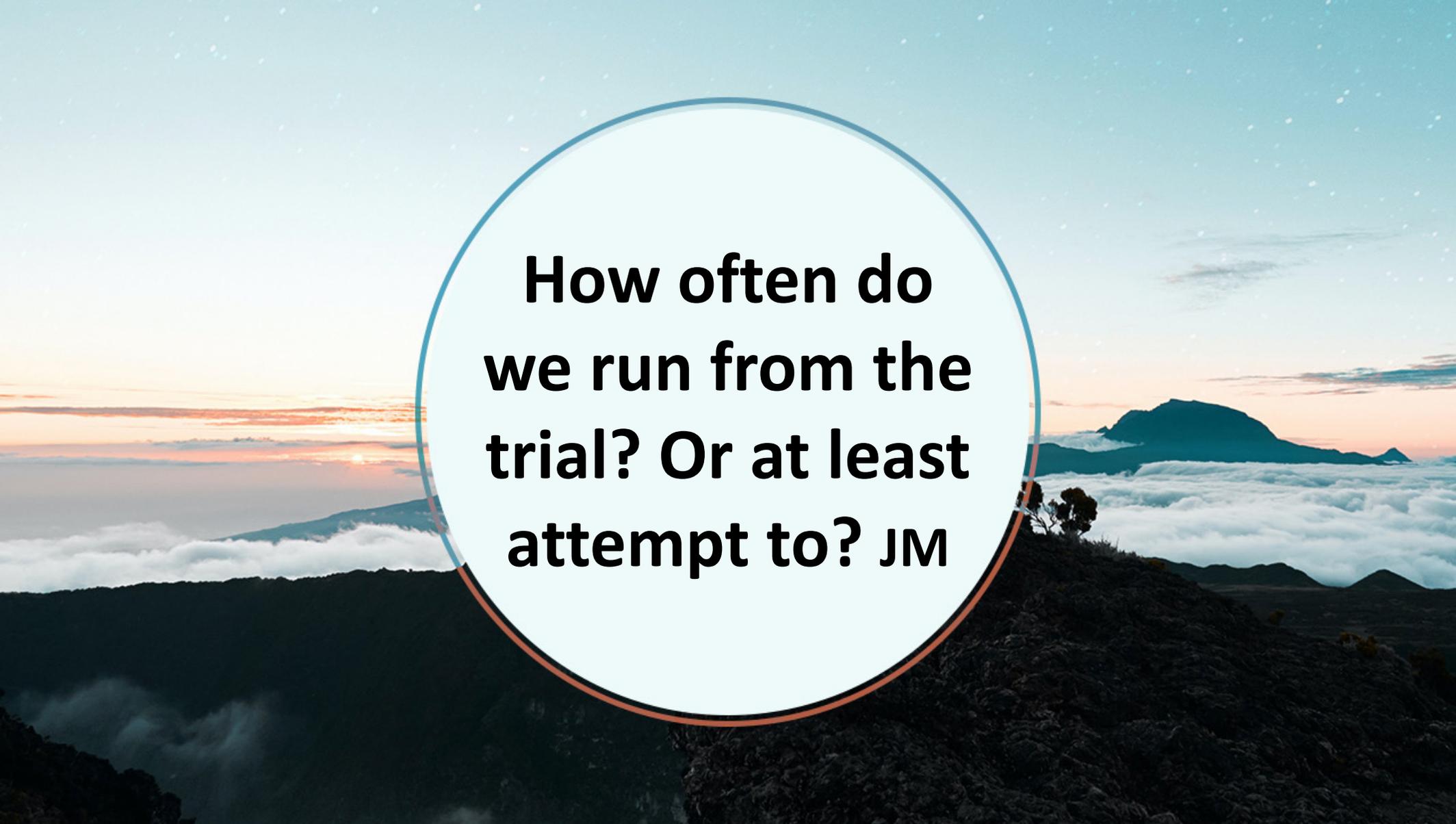
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A close-up photograph of a young child with large, expressive eyes and a slightly furrowed brow, looking upwards and to the side. The child's hands are raised in front of them, palms facing outwards. A blue speech bubble with a white outline is positioned to the left of the child's face, containing the word "Why?" in white, bold, sans-serif font. The background is a soft, out-of-focus indoor setting. The entire image is framed by a light blue sky with white clouds and a dark, silhouetted landscape at the bottom.

Why?

A scenic landscape at sunset or sunrise. The sky is a mix of light blue and orange, with stars visible in the upper portion. The foreground shows dark, rocky terrain. In the middle ground, there's a sea of white clouds. In the background, there are dark mountain silhouettes. A large white circle with a thin blue border is centered on the image, containing the text.

**How often do
we run from the
trial? Or at least
attempt to? JM**

Lord, help me appreciate the trials and tests. Help me rest in the “living hope.” Help me wait for the “revelation of Jesus? If you choose not to tell me “Why” in this lifetime for specific trials. Amen.

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1 Peter 1:8

8 Though you have not seen him, you love him; though not seeing him now, you believe in him

Titus

Phi

Heb

Jms

1 Peter

2 Pet

1 Jn

2 Jn

3 Jn

**⁸ Though you have not seen him, you love him;
though not seeing him now, you believe in him**



not experiencing him physically present now



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**We are a redeemed community
doing the great commission
by the power of the Holy Spirit
for the glory of God.**



Galatians 5:25

²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.



Romans 10:17

**¹⁷ So faith comes
from what is heard,
and what is heard
comes through the
message about
Christ.**



Scientists tell us that the earth is spinning on its axis at a speed of over 1000 miles per hour at

this very moment. Yet we have no sensation of motion. At the same time, the earth is rotating around the sun at a speed of 66,000 miles per hour. Do you feel anything? The earth is moving at an incredible speed but we do not perceive it.

Einstein made this point by striking two consecutive blows with his fist and saying, “Between those two strokes, we traveled thirty miles.” Incredible motion with no perception! Yet we accept by faith that it is nevertheless true.

Ron Rhodes, *The Eye of Faith*

Wayne Braudrick

Verse 2 speaks of the past nature of our salvation.

2 according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in the sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with his blood

It was done. Jesus said, "It is finished." Past.

Wayne Braudrick

Then verses 3 & 5 present the present aspect of salvation. ³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Wayne Braudrick

Present tense. We are saved in the present. Our salvation in Christ is present truth, being experienced now – despite this fallen world, the activity of demons, and our own sinful nature.

And for the future, verse 9 (and many others in 1 Peter) describes the future experience of salvation. When this age is complete, we will be fully & finally glorified – saved forever with God.

Wayne Braudrick

But, look at this. There is one little twist Peter adds here. He uses an old-fashioned verb in v. 9 and renders that verb in a present participle.

The NIV reads ⁹ for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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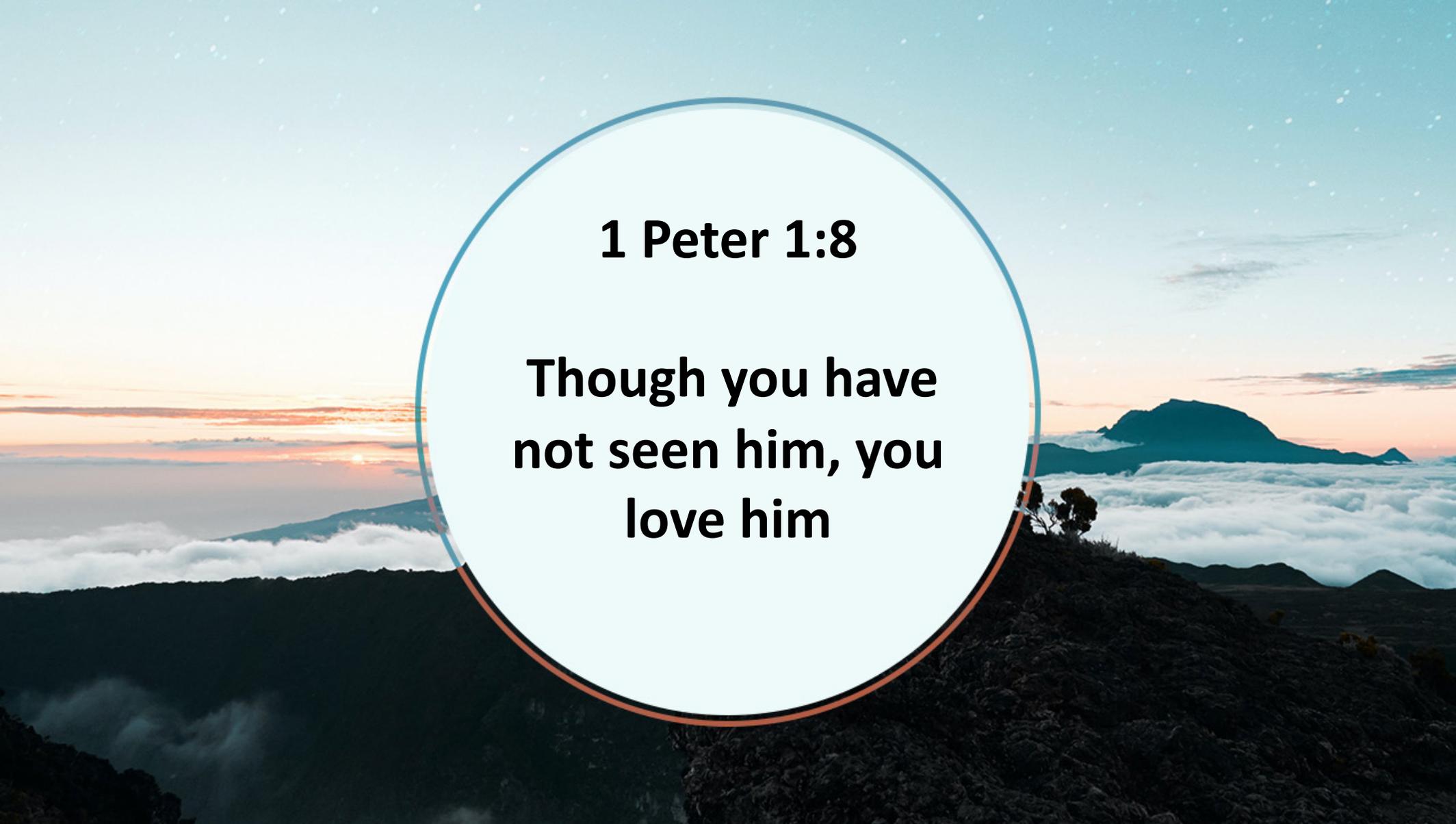
Peter is stating that your salvation is future, that's clear in the term "goal" or "outcome." But he's also saying that this future aspect is present. You are receiving it presently.

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Peter is really thinking here – thinking hard. Just in this opening part of the letter, he’s brought up a seeming paradox. You see, Peter isn’t just suggesting that there are past, present, and future dimensions to your salvation. No, by his language Peter is declaring that your salvation is past, present, & future all at once!







1 Peter 1:8

**Though you have
not seen him, you
love him**



1 John 4:16-19

God is love, and the one who remains in love remains in God, and God remains in him. ¹⁷ In this, love is made complete with us so that we may have confidence in the day of judgment, because as he is, so also are we in this world. ¹⁸ There is no fear in love; instead, perfect love drives out fear, because fear involves punishment. So the one who fears is not complete in love. ¹⁹ We love because he first loved us.

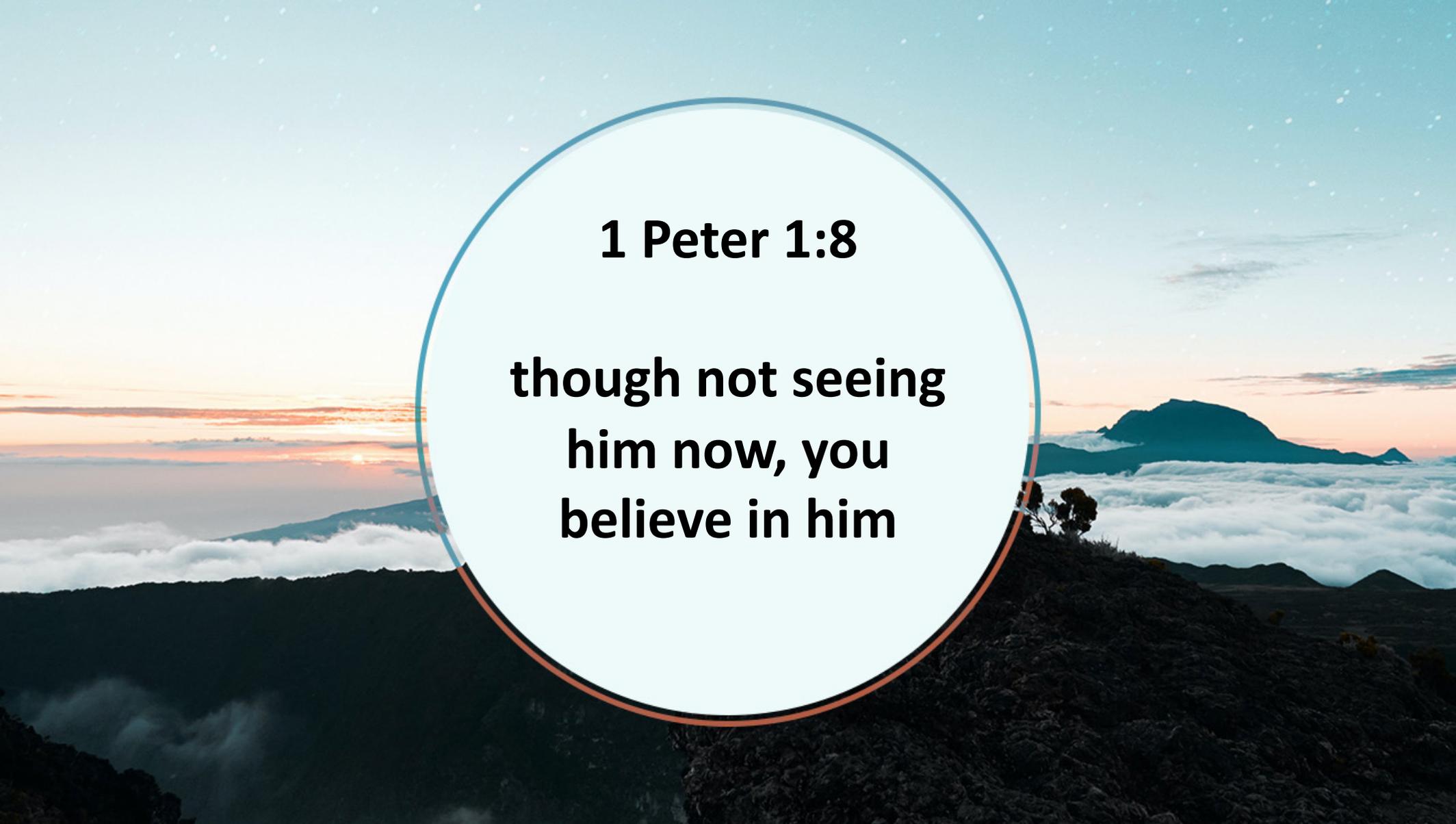
Jonathan Edwards

The world was ready to wonder, what strange principle it was, that influenced them to expose themselves to so great sufferings, to forsake the things that were seen, and renounce all that was dear and pleasant, which was the object of sense. They seemed to the men of the world about them, as though they were beside themselves, and to act as though they hated themselves; there was nothing in their view, that could induce them thus to suffer, and support them under, and carry them through such trials.

Jonathan Edwards

But although there was nothing that was seen, nothing that the world saw, or that the Christians themselves ever saw with their bodily eyes, that thus influenced and supported them, yet they had a supernatural principle of love to something unseen; they loved Jesus Christ, for they saw him spiritually whom the world saw not, and whom they themselves had never seen with bodily eyes.

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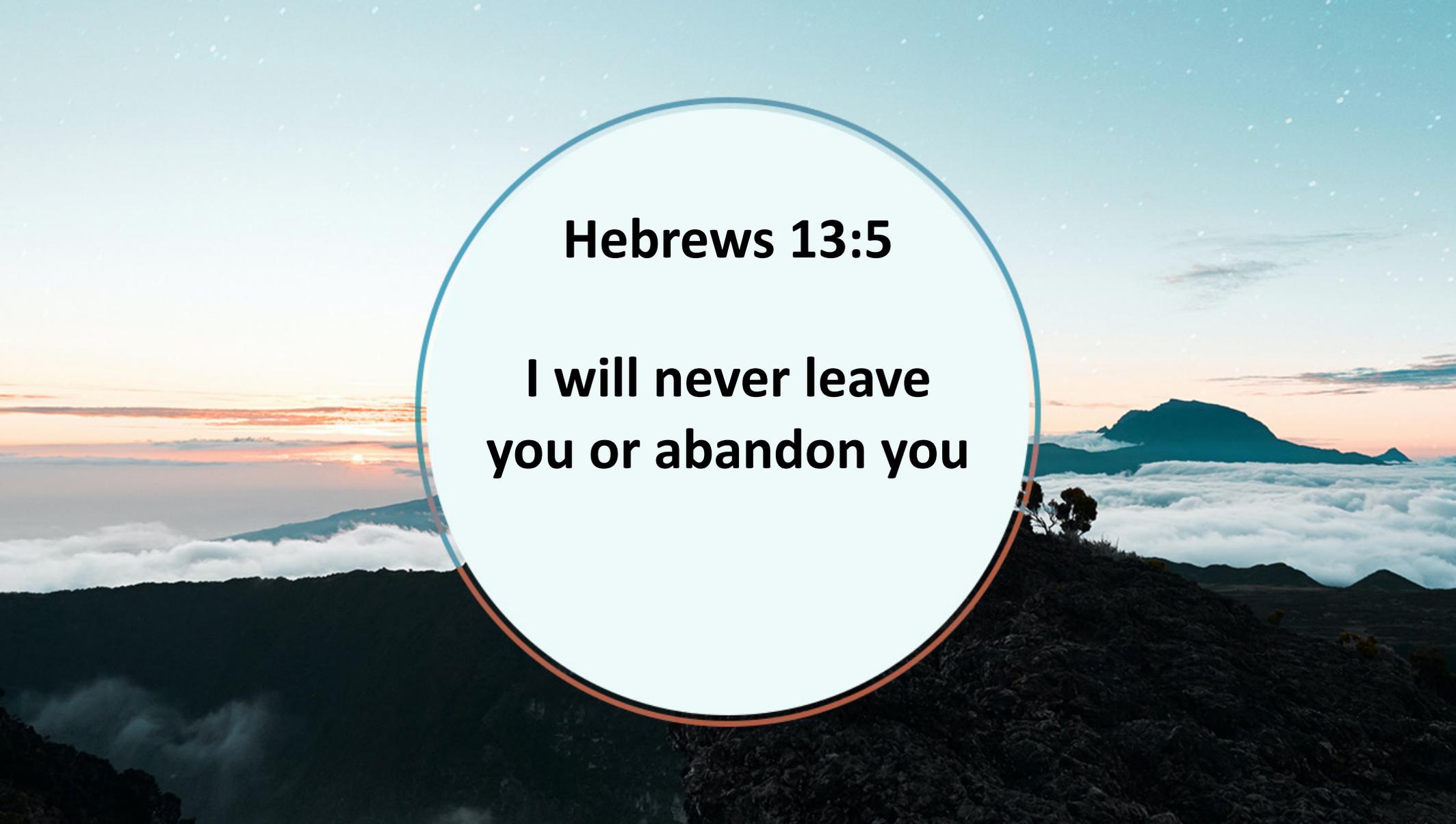


1 Peter 1:8

**though not seeing
him now, you
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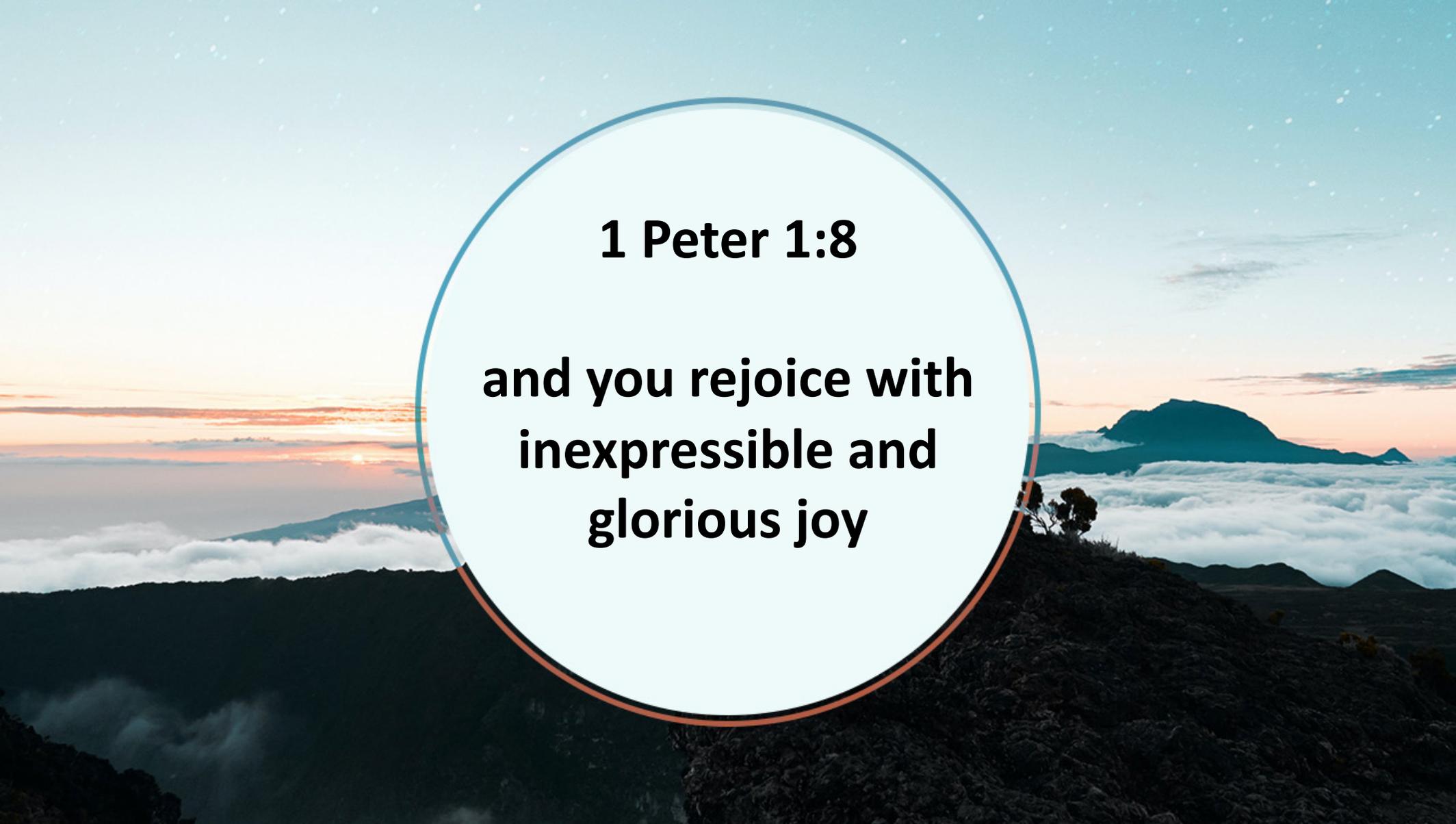


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Hebrews 13:5

**I will never leave
you or abandon you**



1 Peter 1:8

**and you rejoice with
inexpressible and
glorious joy**

Jonathan Edwards

Though their outward sufferings were very grievous, yet their inward spiritual joys were greater than their sufferings; and these supported them, and enabled them to suffer with cheerfulness.

Jonathan Edwards

Their joy was full of glory. Although the joy was unspeakable, and no words were sufficient to describe it, yet something might be said of it, and no words more fit to represent its excellency than these, that it was *full of glory*; or, as it is in the original, *glorified joy*. In rejoicing with this joy, their minds were filled, as it were, with a glorious brightness, and their natures exalted and perfected.

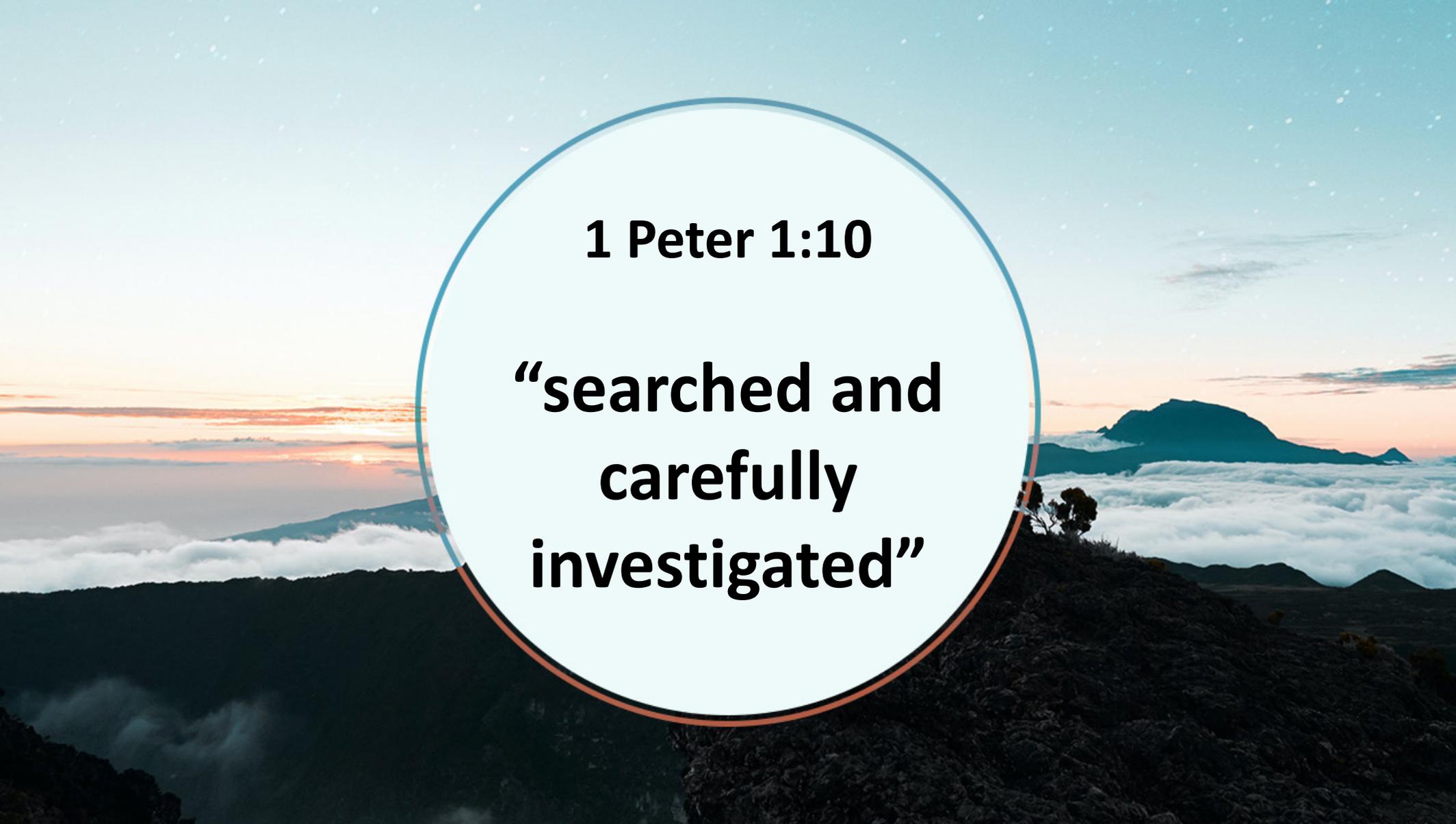
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1 Peter 1:10-12

¹⁰ Concerning this salvation, the prophets, who prophesied about the grace that would come to you, searched and carefully investigated. ¹¹ They inquired into what time or what circumstances the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating when he testified in advance to the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow. ¹² It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves but you. These things have now been announced to you through those who preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven—angels long to catch a glimpse of these things.



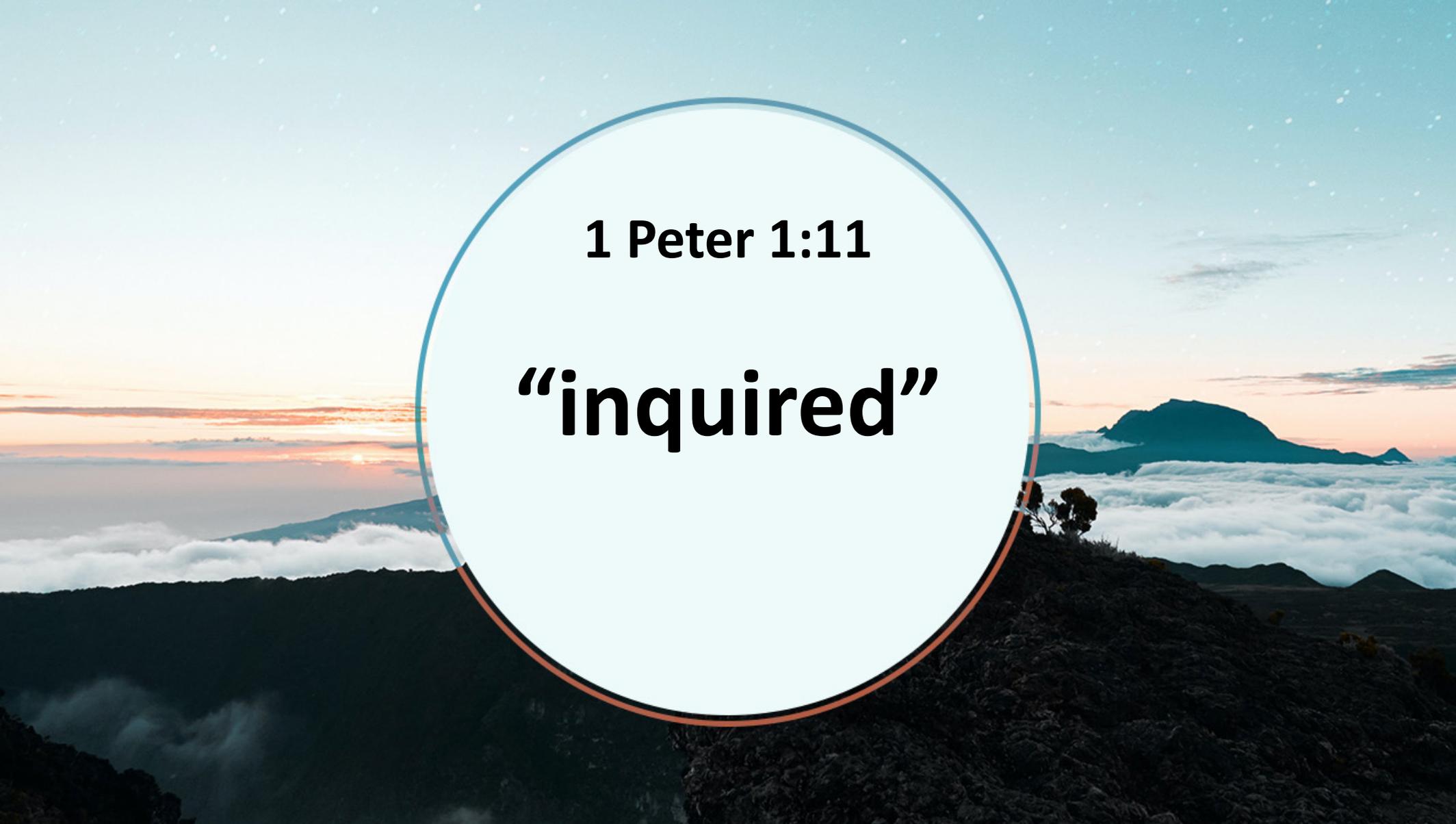
1 Peter 1:10

**“searched and
carefully
investigated”**

Wayne Grudem

Neither term means that they merely pondered or wondered—the words both imply active effort in looking to find something. The first word, *searched* (*ekzēteō*), implies diligent searching or seeking for something, and is often used of seeking for God (Acts 15:17; Rom. 3:11; Heb. 11:6) or searching Scripture (Ps. 119 (LXX 118): 22, 33, 45, 56, 94, 100, 145, 155).

Grudem, W. A. (1988). [*1 Peter: an introduction and commentary*](#) (Vol. 17, p. 73). Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press.



1 Peter 1:11

“inquired”

Wayne Grudem

The second word, *inquired* (*exeraunaō*), only occurs here in the New Testament, but thirty-two other occurrences are found in the LXX, Josephus, and Philo. Most often it refers to searching through something like a house, a tent, a city, or a country in order to find some person or thing, or else it refers to searching through Scripture (see Ps. 119:2, 34, 69, 115, 129).

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1 Peter 1:11

**“the
Spirit of Christ”**

Wayne Grudem

***The Spirit of Christ within them* refers to the Holy Spirit but with a title which suggests that predicting the coming Messiah (the Heb. equivalent of the Gk. term ‘Christ’) was the primary focus of his activity in the Old Testament prophets—so much so that Peter calls him the ‘Spirit of Messiah’ or the ‘Spirit of Christ’.**

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Wayne Braudrick

We knew it would bless a later age; because at the time we frankly had no concept of how there could be that many people needing that much water.

Of course, today Frisco has 200,000 citizens and there are two restaurants on every corner. But that 8" water line has brought millions of gallons of water to thirsty people – including people at Frisco Bible Church, which wasn't even a thought when that water line went in.

Wayne Braudrick

That water has been used in ways they never foresaw – but every drop has passed through that original pipe.

The prophets are the conduit of Christianity, and the Church is the culmination of their preparation.

1 Peter 1 :12

These things have now been announced to you through those who preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven—angels long to catch a glimpse of these things.

No Sweeter Name

**There's no sweeter name than Jesus
I have tasted, I have seen
Nothing better than His presence
A friend when I'm in need**

**There's no sweeter name than Jesus
He's the Savior of my soul
By His blood I am forgiven
He calls me now His own**

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There's no greater name than Jesus

At its mention, darkness hides

All creation stands in wonder

And heaven glorifies

I will declare His goodness

I will declare His love

My life will testify forever

All that He is and what He's done

All that He is and what He's done



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