

ORDER OF SERVICE

July 31, 2022

Worship in Fellowship
Worship in Music
Worship in Message
Worship in Giving

Jeremy Mikeska

Never Too Old

Joshua 14:6-15; 15:13-15,16-19

Legacy Series

Life Change: That we boldly serve God without flagging.

When you think of retirement, what is your dream?

Caleb's Younger Days

Joshua 14:6-8

Warrior spy

Faithful God Follower

God's Promise to Caleb

Joshua 14:9

Caleb the Promise Keeper

Joshua 14:10 -11

Caleb's Bold Request

Joshua 14:12-15

Caleb's Undaunted Work in his Old Age

Joshua 15:13-15

"Being one old man against the mighty Anakites did not daunt Caleb's faith. Instead, he spoke and acted boldly with the sort of faith that can move mountains (Matt. 17:20; Luke 17:6)."

- R. S. Hess, *Joshua: An Introduction and Commentary*

Caleb's Legacy

Joshua 15:16-19

What will be your legacy? Does your faith move mountains?

Boldly serving the Lord throughout our lives requires that we...

Remember ikigai

John 10:10

Lay aside the hindrances

Hebrews 12:1

Focus on Jesus

Hebrews 12:2

Get to work (no matter your age)

Joshua 22:5
Galatians 5:13

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A scenic mountain landscape with a central text overlay. The background is a composite of two mountain scenes. The left side shows a mountain slope with green and brown vegetation under a bright, golden sky. The right side shows a mountain valley with green fields and a river, with a large, dark, triangular shape overlapping the scene. The text is centered in a white box.

BETTER DAYS
ARE COMING.
THEY ARE
CALLED
SATURDAY &
SUNDAY.



“it’s been a long
week”

- ME, IN THE MIDDLE OF MONDAY

Joshua 14:6-7

**⁶ The descendants of Judah approached Joshua at Gilgal, and Caleb son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite said to him, “You know what the LORD promised Moses the man of God at Kadesh-barnea about you and me.
⁷ I was forty years old when Moses the LORD’s servant sent me from Kadesh-barnea to scout the land, and I brought back an honest report. ^{CSB}**

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Numbers 13:27-29

²⁷ They reported to Moses, “We went into the land where you sent us. Indeed it is flowing with milk and honey, and here is some of its fruit. ²⁸ However, the people living in the land are strong, and the cities are large and fortified. We also saw the descendants of Anak there. ²⁹ The Amalekites are living in the land of the Negev; the Hethites, Jebusites, and Amorites live in the hill country; and the Canaanites live by the sea and along the Jordan.”

Numbers 13:30-31

³⁰ Then Caleb quieted the people in the presence of Moses and said, “Let’s go up now and take possession of the land because we can certainly conquer it!”

³¹ But the men who had gone up with him responded, “We can’t attack the people because they are stronger than we are!” CSB

Joshua 14:8

⁸ My brothers who went with me caused the people to lose heart, but I followed the LORD my God completely. ^{CSB}

Numbers 14:23-24

None of those who have despised me will see it.

²⁴ But since my servant Caleb has a different spirit and has remained loyal to me, I will bring him into the land where he has gone, and his descendants will inherit it. ^{CSB}

Joshua 14:9

⁹ On that day Moses swore to me, ‘The land where you have set foot will be an inheritance for you and your descendants forever, because you have followed the LORD my God completely.’ ^{CSB}

Isaiah 41:10

**¹⁰ Do not fear, for I am with you;
do not be afraid, for I am your God.
I will strengthen you; I will help you;
I will hold on to you with my righteous right hand. ^{CSB}**

Matthew 11:28

**28 “Come to me,
all of you who are
weary and
burdened, and I will
give you rest.”^{CSB}**

Philippians 4:19

**19 And my God will
supply all your
needs according to
his riches in glory in
Christ Jesus.^{CSB}**

Matthew 7:7

**7 “Ask, and it will be
given to you. Seek,
and you will find.
Knock, and the door
will be opened to
you. ^{CSB}**



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...did their false prophets.

27 ^a "But I say to you
Love your enemies, do
those who hate you,

28 ^a "bless those who
and ^b pray for those who
use you

Joshua 14:10-11

¹⁰ “As you see, the LORD has kept me alive these forty-five years as he promised, since the LORD spoke this word to Moses while Israel was journeying in the wilderness. Here I am today, eighty-five years old. ¹¹ I am still as strong today as I was the day Moses sent me out. My strength for battle and for daily tasks is now as it was then ^{CSB}

D. K. Campbell

The autobiographical story continued as Caleb reminisced about God's faithfulness to him over many years. First he affirmed that God had kept him alive the past 45 years as He had promised. Actually Caleb was the recipient of two divine promises: one, that his life would be prolonged, and the other, that he would someday inherit the territory he had bravely explored near Hebron.

D. K. Campbell

But 45 years is a long time to wait for the fulfillment of a pledge, a long time for faith to live on a promise. Yet Caleb did wait through the weary years of the wilderness wanderings and the demanding years of the Conquest. Caleb had strong faith in *the promises of God*. They sustained him in his difficult times.

Campbell, D. K. (1985). [Joshua](#). *The Bible Knowledge Commentary*

Joshua 14:12

¹² Now give me this hill country the LORD promised me on that day, because you heard then that the Anakim are there, as well as large fortified cities. Perhaps the LORD will be with me and I will drive them out as the LORD promised.”

Joshua 14:13-15

13 Then Joshua blessed Caleb son of Jephunneh and gave him Hebron as an inheritance. 14 Therefore, Hebron still belongs to Caleb son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite as an inheritance today because he followed the LORD, the God of Israel, completely.

15 Hebron's name used to be Kiriath-arba; Arba was the greatest man among the Anakim. After this, the land had rest from war. ^{CSB}

R. S. Hess

The note on Hebron's earlier name of Kiriath Arba is designed to relate its founder, Arba, to the Anakites. This association demonstrates that Hebron was originally possessed by the Anakites, the point made by Caleb in verse 12. Thus Caleb's words are shown to be true and the reader is reminded how a faithful servant of God can have success against the greatest of enemies.

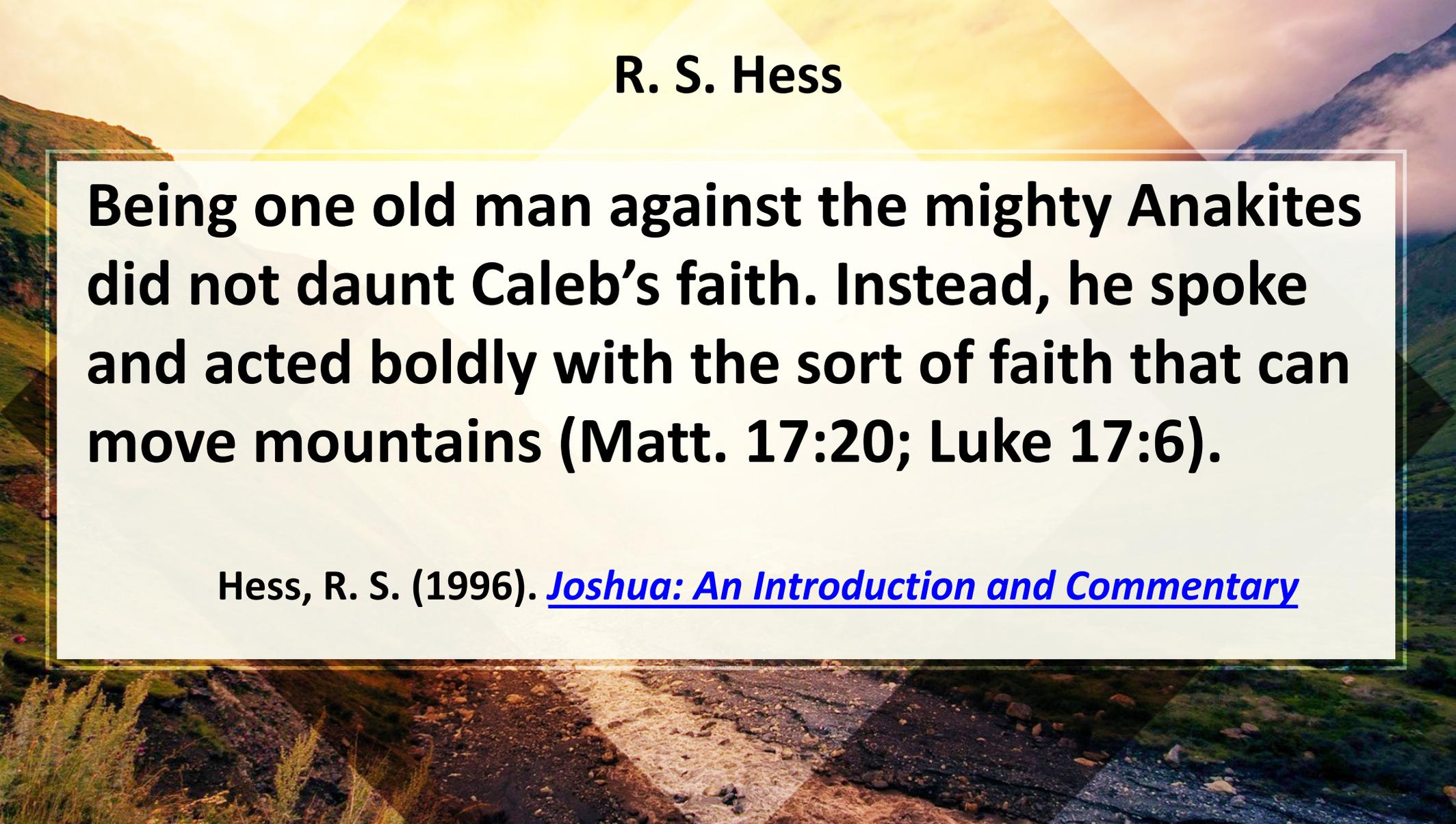
R. S. Hess

For the Christian, as for Israel, Caleb represents the ideal of the believer who courageously acts upon the promises of God (Heb. 11). In Numbers, Caleb took an unpopular stand, based solely on the divine promise that Israel would receive the land.

Hess, R. S. [*Joshua: An Introduction and Commentary*](#)

Joshua 15:13-15

¹³ He gave Caleb son of Jephunneh the following portion among the descendants of Judah based on the LORD's instruction to Joshua: Kiriath-arba (that is, Hebron; Arba was the father of Anak). ¹⁴ Caleb drove out from there the three sons of Anak: Sheshai, Ahiman, and Talmai, descendants of Anak. ¹⁵ From there he marched against the inhabitants of Debir, which used to be called Kiriath-sepher, ^{CSB}



R. S. Hess

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Hess, R. S. (1996). [*Joshua: An Introduction and Commentary*](#)

Francis A. Schaeffer

What a man! Here he was, out of step among a people who, for the sake of peace and wealth, were not continuing the warfare. In that moment, as in the past, Caleb followed the Lord. Caleb actually went up and claimed his land-fought for it and won it (Joshua 15:13-15)-and proved what he had believed for many long years.

Schaeffer, Francis A. (1975). Joshua and the Flow of Biblical History

Joshua 15:16-19

¹⁶ and Caleb said, “Whoever attacks and captures Kiriath-sepher, I will give my daughter Achsah to him as a wife.”

¹⁷ So Othniel son of Caleb’s brother, Kenaz, captured it, and Caleb gave his daughter Achsah to him as a wife.

¹⁸ When she arrived, she persuaded Othniel to ask her father for a field. As she got off her donkey, Caleb asked her, “What can I do for you?” ¹⁹ She replied, “Give me a blessing. Since you have given me land in the Negev, give me the springs also.” So he gave her the upper and lower springs. ^{CSB}

Wayne Braudrick

Caleb wants people to get about God's work...to show some spunk...so he sets up this contest to get that city retaken. And it works. A very enterprising young man named Othniel takes the challenge and advances God's kingdom. And the initiative doesn't end there. Caleb's daughter, Acsah, knows that you can't just live in a rock city. So she gets her husband to ask for a field outside of town.

Wayne Braudrick

Then she goes to Daddy and says, “Hey, those two springs – one above & one beside Debir – I need the water from those diverted to the city. We’ve got to have it for irrigation if we’re going to make a go of this.

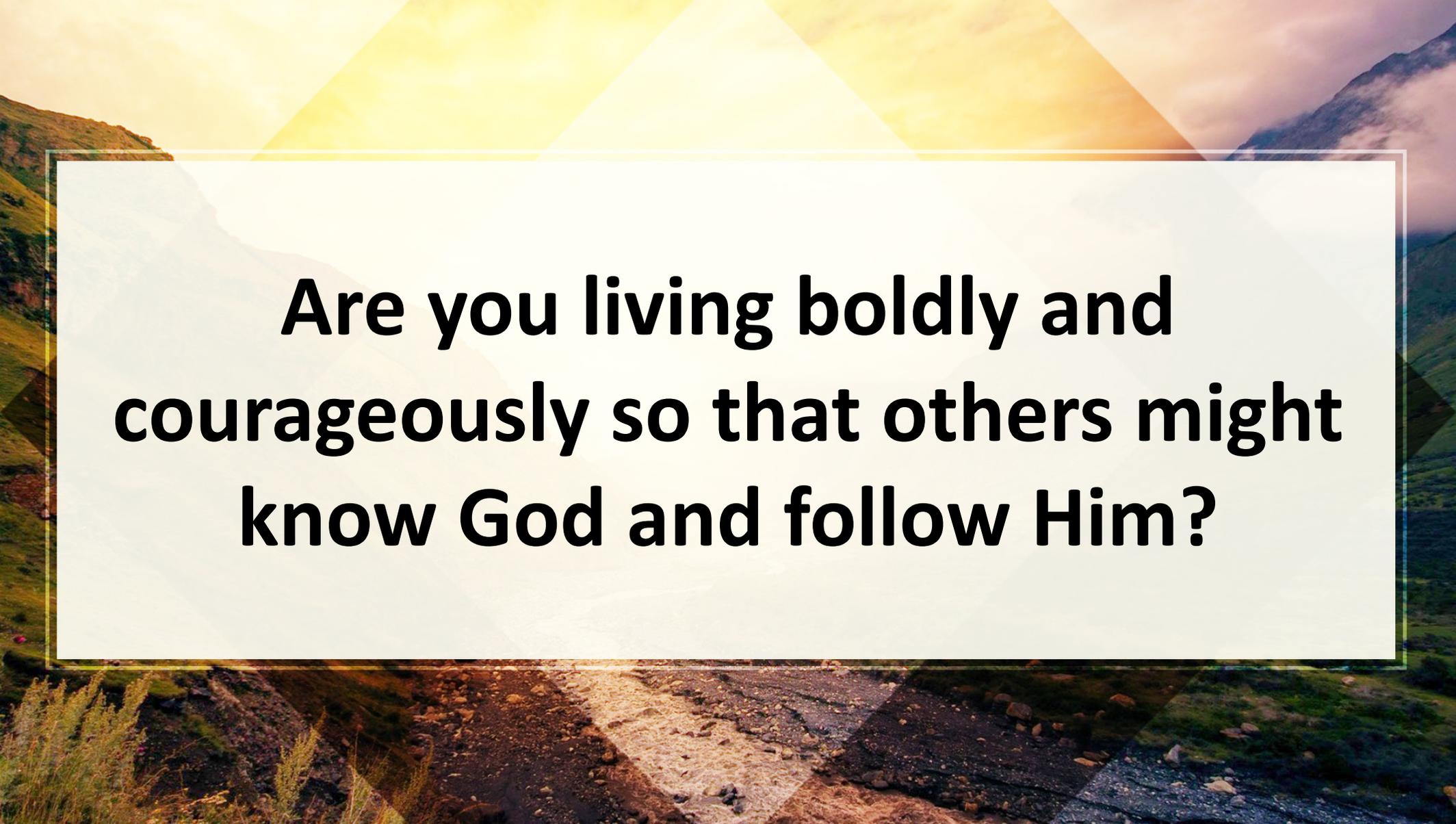
Braudrick, M.W. (2022). This Land is Your Land. “Legacy” sermon series. www.friscobible.com



**What will be
your legacy?**



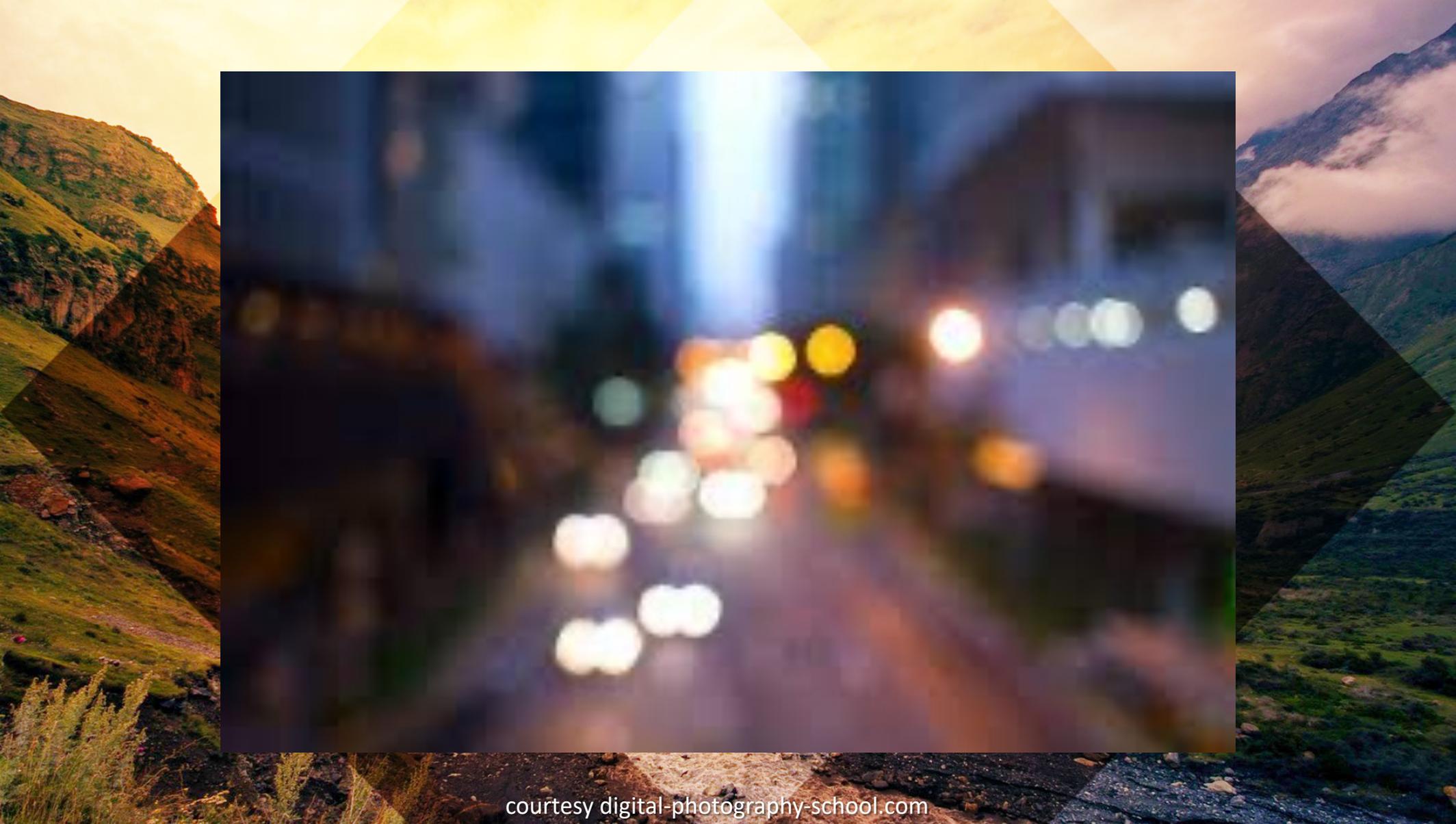
**Does your faith
move
mountains?**

A scenic mountain landscape with a dirt road winding through the foreground. The background features rolling green hills and mountains under a bright, hazy sky. A large white text box is overlaid on the center of the image, containing the text.

**Are you living boldly and
courageously so that others might
know God and follow Him?**

Matthew 17:20

²⁰ “Because of your little faith,” he told them. “For truly I tell you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will tell this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you.”, CSB



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Neil Pasricha

We now need nearly \$400,000 at age 65 just to cover health care costs. And retirement itself increases your risk of depression by 40%.

Neil Pasricha

According to the Okinawa Centenarian Study, men and women in Okinawa live an average of seven years longer than Americans and have one of the longest disability-free life expectancies in the world.

Neil Pasricha

Dan Buettner and fellow researchers from *National Geographic* studied why Okinawans live so long.

What did they find out? Among other things, Okinawans eat off of smaller plates, stop eating when they're 80% full, and have a beautiful setup wherein they're put into social groups as babies to slowly grow old together.

Neil Pasricha

But they also have an outlook on life that is very different from those in the West. While we think of retirement as the golden age of golf greens and cottage docks, guess what they call retirement in Okinawa?

Neil Pasricha

They don't. They don't even have a word for it. Literally nothing in their language describes the concept of stopping work completely. Instead, one of the healthiest societies in the world has the word *ikigai* (pronounced like "icky guy"), which roughly translates to "the reason you wake up in the morning." It's the thing that drives you most.

Pasricha, Neil. (April 13, 2016). "Why Retirement is a Flawed Concept," hbr.org

John 10:10

10 A thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so that they may have life and have it in abundance. ^{CSB}

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Hebrews 11:32-34

³² And what more can I say? Time is too short for me to tell about Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, David, Samuel, and the prophets, ³³ who by faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched the raging of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, gained strength in weakness, became mighty in battle, and put foreign armies to flight.

Hebrews 11:35-37

³⁵ Women received their dead, raised to life again. Other people were tortured, not accepting release, so that they might gain a better resurrection.

³⁶ Others experienced mockings and scourgings, as well as bonds and imprisonment. ³⁷ They were stoned, they were sawed in two, they died by the sword, they wandered about in sheepskins, in goatskins, destitute, afflicted, and mistreated.

Hebrews 11:38-39

38 The world was not worthy of them. They wandered in deserts and on mountains, hiding in caves and holes in the ground.

39 All these were approved through their faith, ^{CSB}

Hebrews 12:1

...let us lay aside every hindrance and the sin that so easily ensnares us. Let us run with endurance the race that lies before us,^{CSB}



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My heart was wounded by the suffering of the people, and so I forgot my own well-being and the well-being of my family and made a decision: no matter what may happen, I will bring my mite, however small, to the treasure-house of human salvation, and with this mite I will appear before God saying, look, Lord, that is all that I could do. They can imprison me again, they can contrive catastrophes, they can execute me, I shall know what I am suffering for.

Bullough, Oliver. (2013). The Last Man in Russia. (p. 115).

A week later, in an article headlined ‘Father Dudko; The Flower of Russia’s “Religious Spring”’, *The Times* praised the steadfastness of his fight to save his people. ‘In almost every sermon Father Dudko refers to the key problems of Soviet society: the high divorce rates, widespread alcoholism, hooliganism and criminality among the young. His solution is a stable family life,’ the paper wrote.

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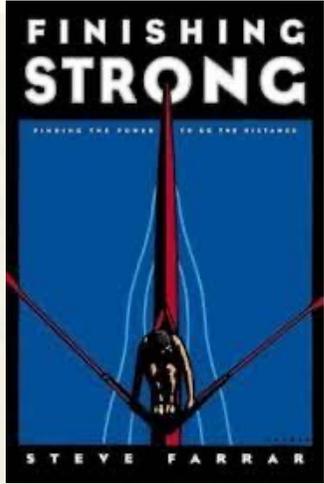
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Hebrews 12:2

² keeping our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. For the joy that lay before him, he endured the cross, despising the shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. ^{CSB}



**We're not going to finish strong by luck.
We're not going to finish strong by taking
life as it comes.**

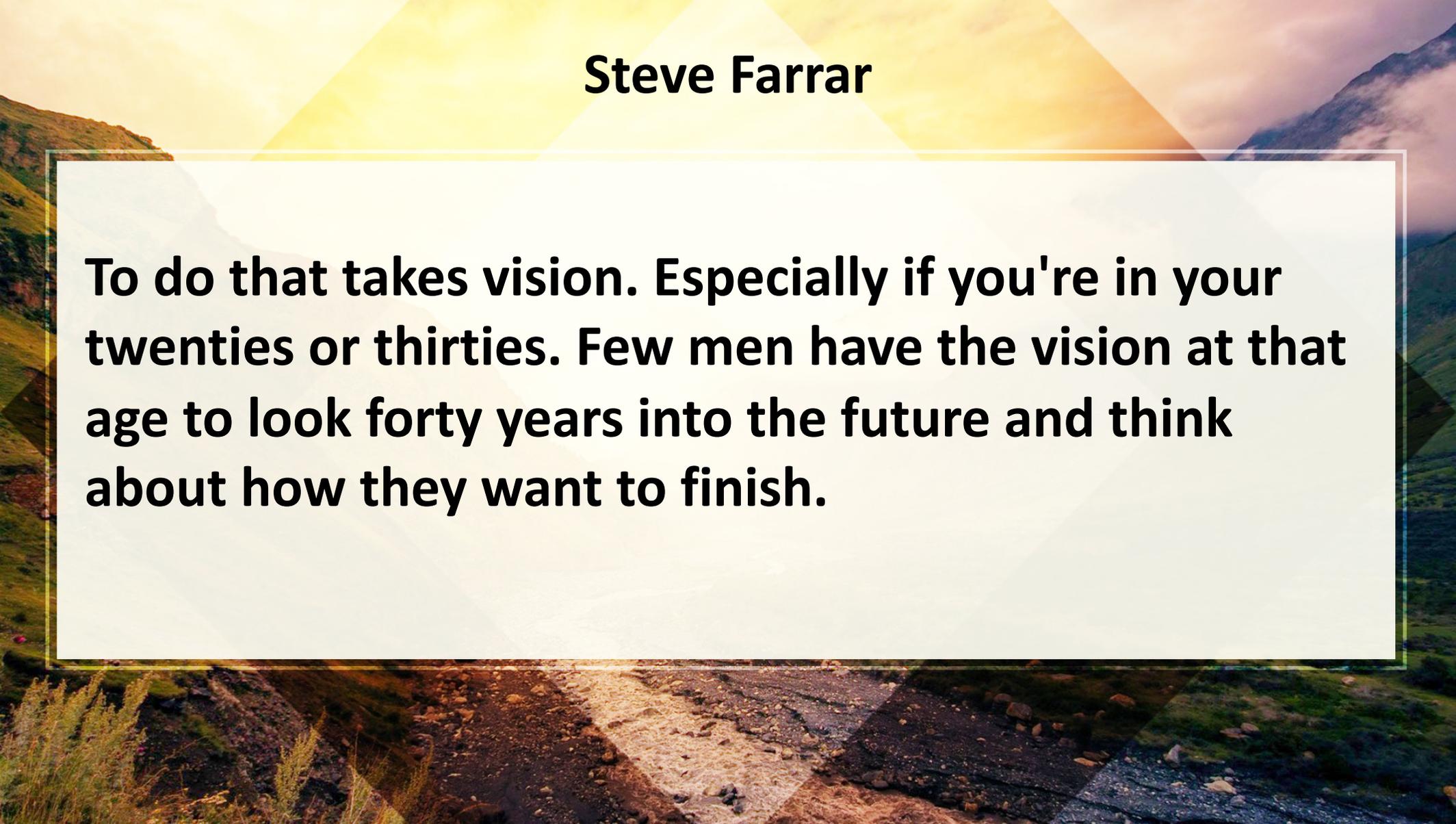
**In order to finish strong, we must have
vision. Vision for what is really important,
vision for what our kids really need, and the vision to
steel ourselves against the strategies of the enemy to
destroy everything near and dear to our hearts.**

Steve Farrar

It's that kind of vision that helps us make choices with our heads and not our sex organs. It's that kind of vision that will enable us to leave a legacy to our children that most of the kids in America can only dream about...

Steve Farrar

What does it mean to finish strong? It means that you will come to the end of your life with a strong and close relationship to Christ. It means that, unless God has taken your wife ahead of you, you will be married to the same woman that you are today. It means that you are a man who is in the Scriptures and living the Scriptures. It means that you are a man who has fought some battles for the kingdom and has the scars to prove it. To finish strong means that you are leaving your children and grandchildren the *priceless* heritage of a godly life.

The background of the slide is a scenic landscape. In the foreground, a dirt road with a gravel center line leads from the bottom center towards the middle ground. The road is flanked by green grass and some dry, yellowish vegetation. In the middle ground, there are rolling hills and a valley. In the background, there are mountains under a sky with soft, warm light, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall color palette is warm, with yellows, oranges, and greens.

Steve Farrar

To do that takes vision. Especially if you're in your twenties or thirties. Few men have the vision at that age to look forty years into the future and think about how they want to finish.

Steve Farrar

It takes vision to do it when you're in your forties and fifties. For that's when so many guys get sloppy spiritually and put it all on cruise control. Oh, they'll finish, all right. But they won't finish strong.

Steve Farrar

It takes vision in your sixties and seventies to realize that those little grandchildren are the leaders of a future generation. And it takes vision to spend time with them instead of cruising the country six months out of the year in a Winnebago.

Farrar, Steve. (1995). Finishing Strong. (p. 199).

The background is a scenic landscape of a mountain valley. The left side shows a steep, rocky slope with sparse green vegetation. The right side shows a valley floor with a river or stream, surrounded by green hills and mountains in the distance. The sky is filled with soft, golden light, suggesting a sunrise or sunset. A large, white diamond shape is superimposed over the center of the image, with a thin white border. Inside the diamond, the text "It is finished." is written in a large, bold, black serif font. Below it, "John 19:30" is written in a smaller, bold, black serif font.

It is finished.

John 19:30

A scenic mountain valley at sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a warm, golden glow over the landscape. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds. The mountains are rugged and covered in green grass. A river flows through the valley, its water reflecting the golden light. A large, semi-transparent diamond-shaped graphic is overlaid on the image, with its center at the top. The word "LEGACY" is written in large, green, sans-serif capital letters across the middle of the diamond.

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Joshua 22:5

⁵ Only carefully obey the command and instruction that Moses the LORD's servant gave you: to love the LORD your God, walk in all his ways, keep his commands, be loyal to him, and serve him with all your heart and all your soul.” ^{CSB}

Galatians 5:13

13 For you were called to be free, brothers and sisters; only don't use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but serve one another through love. ^{CSB}

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“Be financially free enough to use our time and gifts to bless others and minister wherever God would lead. I would love the freedom just to pop in and help someone with whatever they need to get done! Ideally, we will spend time with family and serve others however we can, together.”

Gentleman of Frisco Bible

“We would be traveling regularly to see kids and grandkids and pouring into them. Serving in ministry. Traveling for fun.”

Gentleman of Frisco Bible

“I am not that far away from retirement and have the means, but fully understand there is no Biblical definition of taking the life break. So, my ideal scenario is filled w/ the tension of enjoying the fruits of a life’s labor (traveling, hosting groups at our vacation home, skiing, hiking, maybe grandparenting, etc) balanced out with serving in a teaching or mentoring ministry where I can fulfill whom God authored me to be. Like John Lowman, I want to thrive and get energized by serving where He leads and have a blast doing it. I try to serve that way today.... w/ joy and being All In.”

Gentleman of Frisco Bible

“To have enough resources saved to not have to work full time, giving me more flexibility to share what I've learned and develop the next generations of my family and community.”

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