



**A.D. AUTHORITY  
DEPLOYED**



# **JOHN 20:19-23**

**19 ON THE EVENING OF THAT DAY, THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK, THE DOORS BEING LOCKED WHERE THE DISCIPLES WERE FOR FEAR OF THE JEWS, JESUS CAME AND STOOD AMONG THEM AND SAID TO THEM, "PEACE BE WITH YOU."**

**20 WHEN HE HAD SAID THIS, HE SHOWED THEM HIS HANDS AND HIS SIDE. THEN THE DISCIPLES WERE GLAD WHEN THEY SAW THE LORD.**

21 JESUS SAID TO THEM  
AGAIN, "PEACE BE WITH  
YOU. AS THE FATHER  
HAS SENT ME, EVEN SO  
I AM SENDING YOU." 22  
AND WHEN HE HAD SAID  
THIS, HE BREATHED ON  
THEM AND SAID TO  
THEM, "RECEIVE THE  
HOLY SPIRIT. 23 IF YOU  
FORGIVE THE SINS OF  
ANY, THEY ARE  
FORGIVEN THEM; IF YOU  
WITHHOLD  
FORGIVENESS FROM  
ANY, IT IS WITHHELD."



**JESUS  
APPEARS  
TO HIS  
DISCIPLES**

# THE BIG IDEA:

**THE TRANSITION  
FROM WAITING  
ON A RESCUE TO  
OCCUPYING THE  
ROOM.**





# **THE LOCKED ROOM**

A landscape photograph featuring a dark mountain peak in the upper left, a field of tall, golden-brown grass in the foreground, and a twilight sky with soft, muted colors. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

**THE SCENE OF FEAR:**

**IT IS THE EVENING OF  
THE FIRST DAY OF THE  
WEEK. THE TOMB IS  
EMPTY, THE WOMEN  
HAVE TESTIFIED, BUT  
THE DISCIPLES ARE  
HUDDLED TOGETHER  
BEHIND LOCKED DOORS  
"FOR FEAR OF THE  
JEWS."**



**THE B.C. MINDSET IN AN  
A.D. WORLD:**

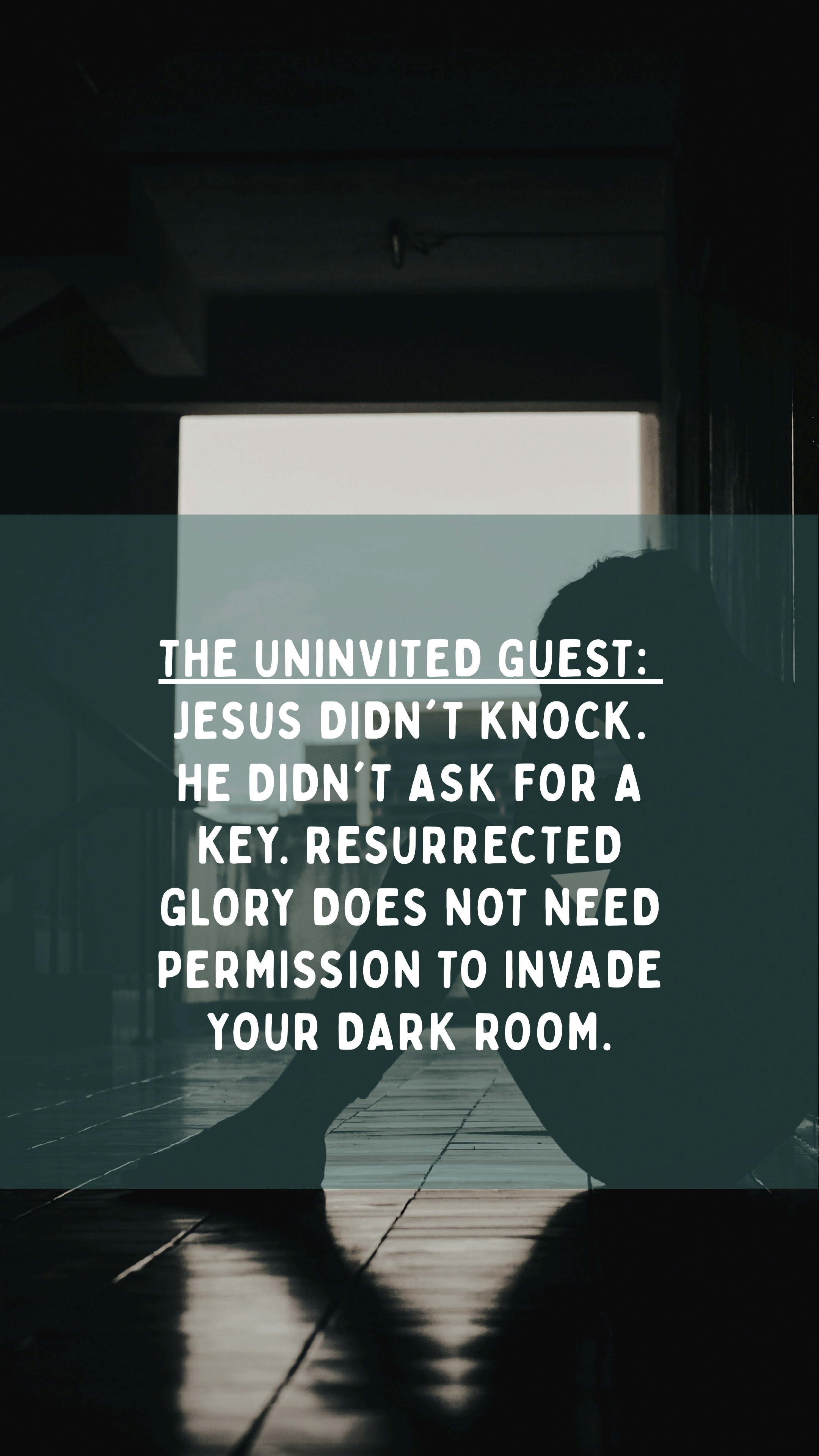
**THEY ARE SITTING IN THE  
MIDDLE OF THE GREATEST  
VICTORY IN HUMAN HISTORY,  
BUT THEY ARE TERRIFIED OF  
THE CULTURE OUTSIDE.  
THEY ARE ACTING LIKE  
DEFEATED CASUALTIES  
INSTEAD OF REIGNING  
KINGS.**



THE ILLUSION OF THE  
LOCKED DOOR:  
YOU CAN LOCK THE DOOR  
TO PROTECT YOURSELF  
FROM THE ENEMY, BUT  
YOU ALSO END UP  
LOCKING YOURSELF IN  
WITH YOUR OWN ANXIETY,  
DEPRESSION, AND  
LIMITATIONS.



**WALLS CAN'T  
STOP  
RESURRECTED  
GLORY**

A person is seen from behind, sitting on a wooden floor and looking out a window. The room is dark, and the light from the window creates a strong contrast. The text is overlaid on the image in white, bold, uppercase letters.

**THE UNINVITED GUEST:**  
**JESUS DIDN'T KNOCK.**  
**HE DIDN'T ASK FOR A**  
**KEY. RESURRECTED**  
**GLORY DOES NOT NEED**  
**PERMISSION TO INVADE**  
**YOUR DARK ROOM.**

**BYPASSING THE  
BARRIERS:**

**YOU THINK YOUR TRAUMA  
HAS BUILT A WALL TOO  
THICK FOR GOD TO GET  
THROUGH. YOU THINK  
YOUR SHAME HAS  
LOCKED YOU AWAY  
WHERE HE CAN'T REACH  
YOU. JESUS STEPS RIGHT  
THROUGH THE WALLS OF  
YOUR FEAR.**

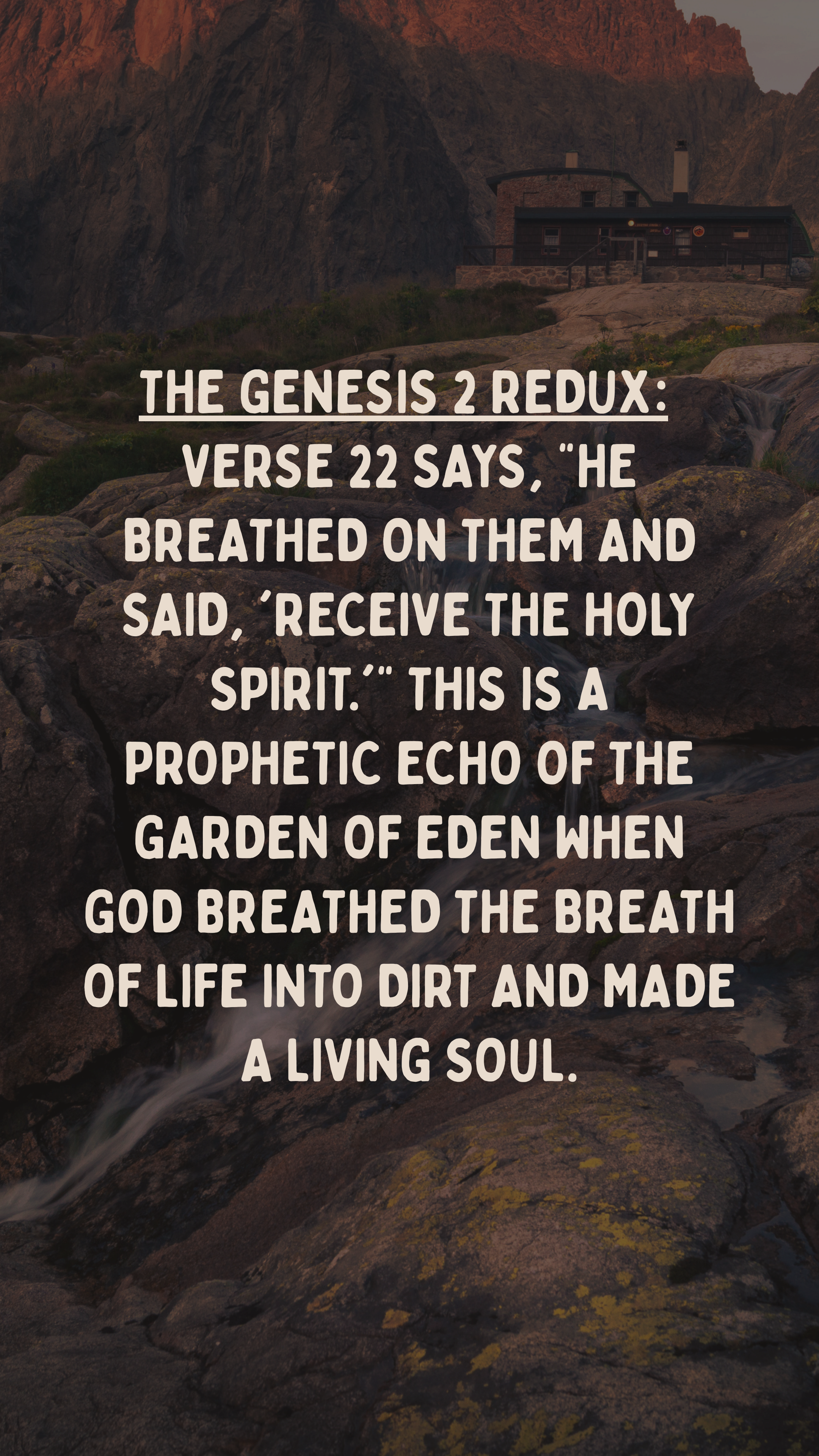


**THE FIRST WORD IS PEACE:**  
**HE DOESN'T SHOW UP TO  
SCOLD THEM FOR HIDING OR  
ABANDONING HIM AT THE  
CROSS. HE STEPS INTO THE  
MIDDLE OF THEIR PANIC  
ATTACK AND DECLARES,  
"PEACE BE WITH YOU." PEACE  
ISN'T THE ABSENCE OF A  
STORM; IT'S THE PRESENCE OF  
THE KING IN THE ROOM.**



# THE BREATH OF HEAVEN

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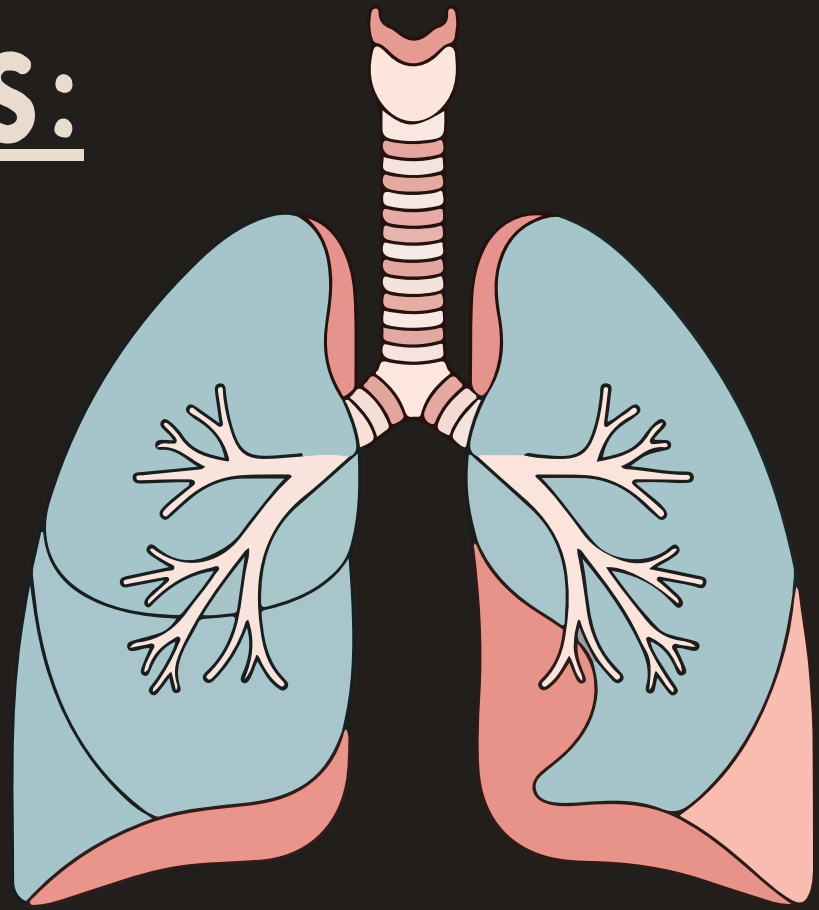
A stone cabin with a dark roof and two chimneys is situated on a rocky mountain peak. In the foreground, a waterfall cascades over dark, mossy rocks. The background shows rugged, reddish-brown mountain cliffs under a clear sky.

**THE GENESIS 2 REDUX:**  
**VERSE 22 SAYS, "HE  
BREATHED ON THEM AND  
SAID, 'RECEIVE THE HOLY  
SPIRIT.'" THIS IS A  
PROPHETIC ECHO OF THE  
GARDEN OF EDEN WHEN  
GOD BREATHED THE BREATH  
OF LIFE INTO DIRT AND MADE  
A LIVING SOUL.**

**A NEW SPECIES: JESUS  
WASN'T JUST GIVING  
THEM SPIRITUAL CPR;  
HE WAS INITIATING A  
BRAND NEW CREATION.  
THE A.D. CHURCH IS A  
NEWLY CREATED  
SPECIES OF HUMANITY,  
DESIGNED TO BREATHE  
THE ATMOSPHERE OF  
HEAVEN WHILE  
WALKING ON THE  
EARTH.**



## LIFE IN THE LUNGS:



**YOU CANNOT OPERATE IN  
KINGDOM AUTHORITY IF  
YOU ARE STILL TRYING TO  
BREATHE THE TOXIC AIR  
OF THE WORLD'S PANIC,  
ANGER, AND DIVISION.  
YOU HAVE TO INHALE  
WHAT THE RESURRECTED  
CHRIST IS EXHALING.**



# THE MANDATE

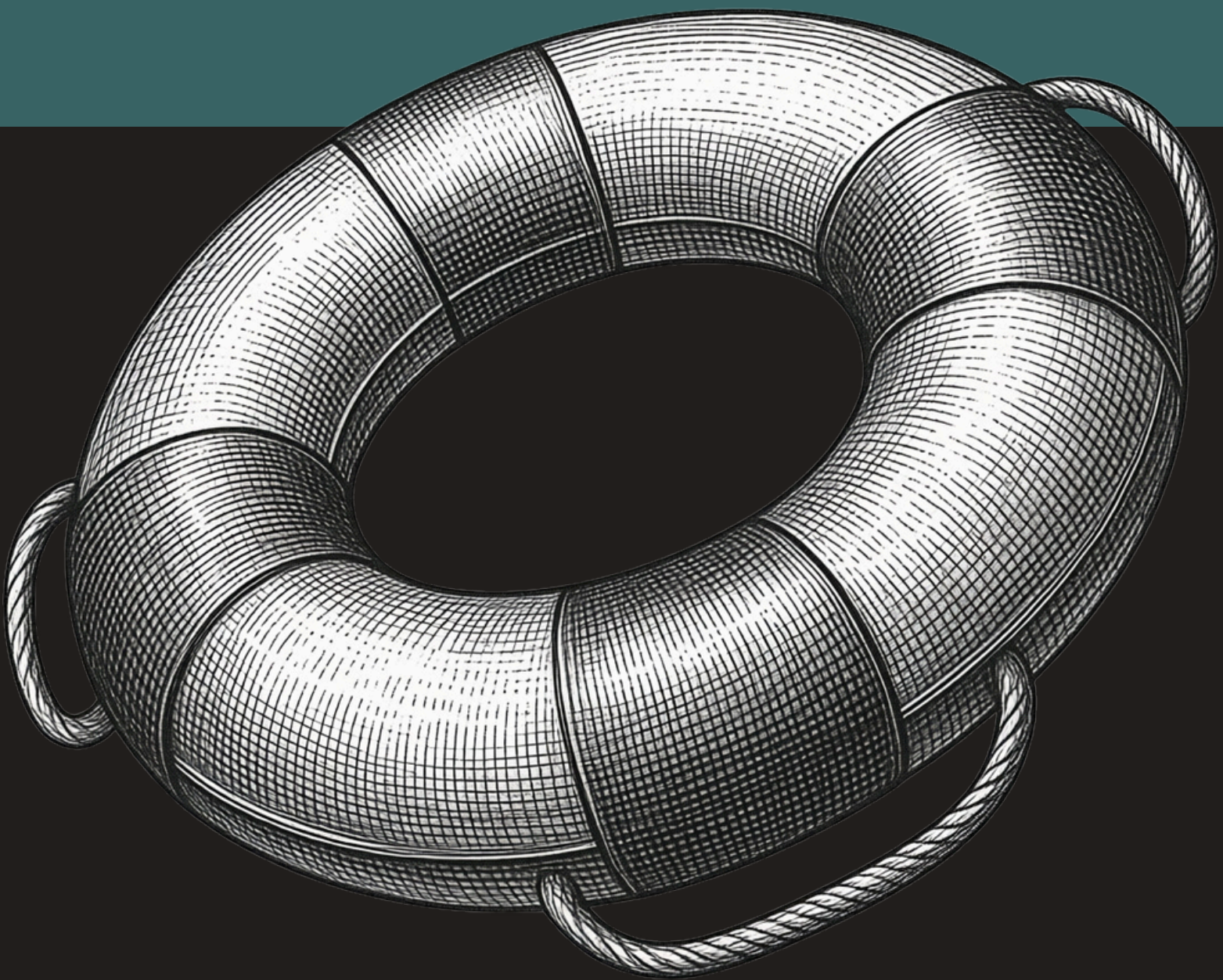


**THE COMMISSIONING: "AS THE FATHER HAS SENT ME, EVEN SO I AM SENDING YOU." THIS IS THE ULTIMATE TRANSFER OF AUTHORITY.**



STOP ASKING FOR A  
RESCUE:

JESUS DIDN'T DEFEAT  
DEATH, HELL, AND THE  
GRAVE JUST SO YOU COULD  
SIT IN A LOCKED ROOM  
WAITING FOR THE RAPTURE!  
HE BROKE THE GATES OF  
HELL SO YOU COULD GO  
PLAY OFFENSE.





**OCCUPYING THE ROOM:**

**YOU ARE NOT JUST A SAVED  
SINNER HOLDING ON UNTIL  
HEAVEN: YOU ARE A DEPLOYED  
AMBASSADOR OF A VICTORIOUS  
KINGDOM. STOP ASKING GOD TO  
BLESS YOUR MESS AND START  
TAKING AUTHORITY OVER IT IN  
YOUR HOME, YOUR WORKPLACE,  
AND YOUR CITY.**



THE SHIFT:  
WE ARE TEARING  
THE DOORS OFF  
THE HINGES  
TODAY. WE ARE NO  
LONGER HIDING  
FROM THE  
CULTURE; WE ARE  
BEING DEPLOYED  
INTO IT.





THE  
ACTIVATION:  
THIS ISN'T A  
MOMENT FOR  
SAD  
REPENTANCE:  
THIS IS A  
MOMENT FOR  
MILITANT  
COMMISSIONI  
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