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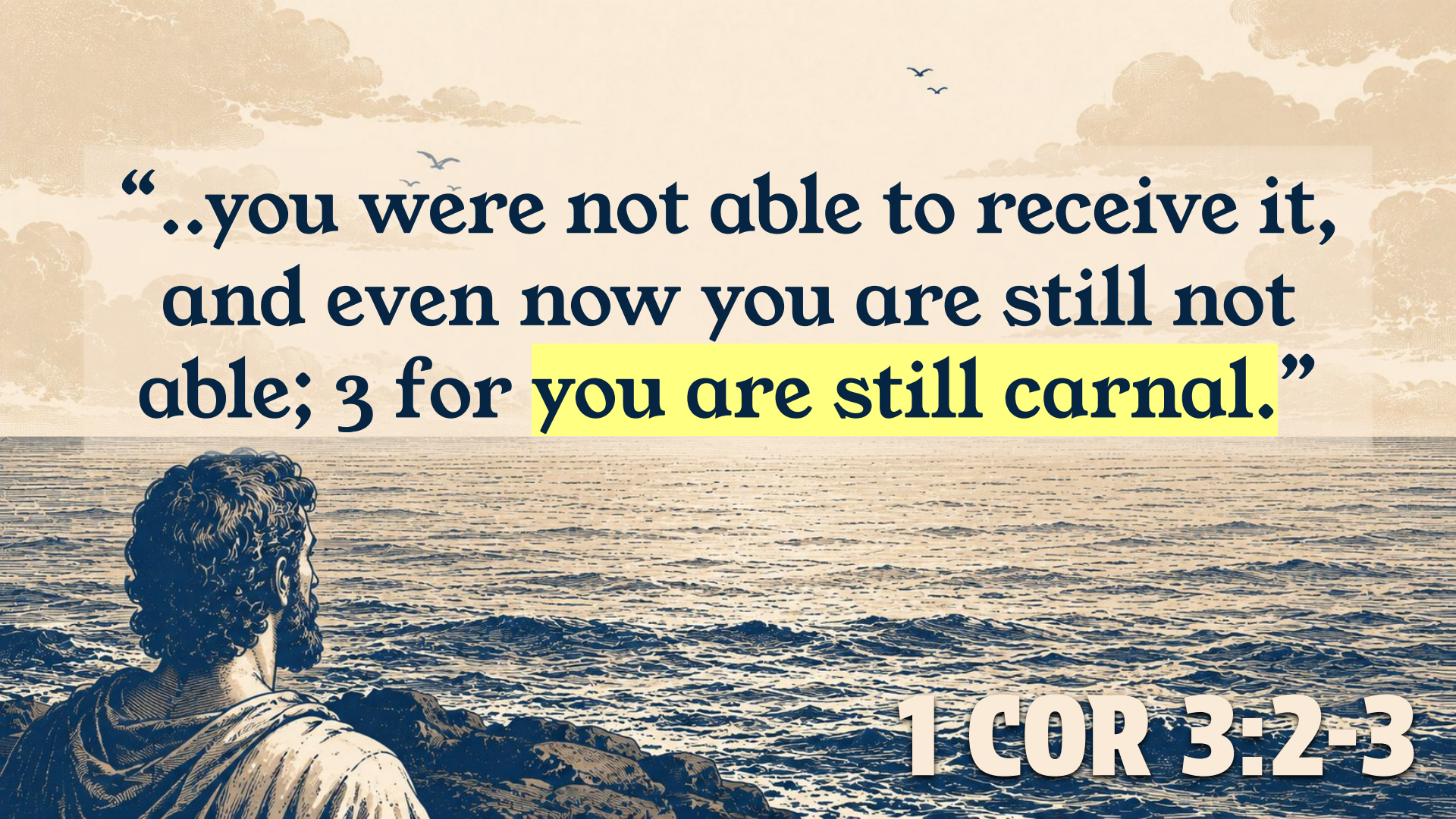
The Corinthian Contradiction



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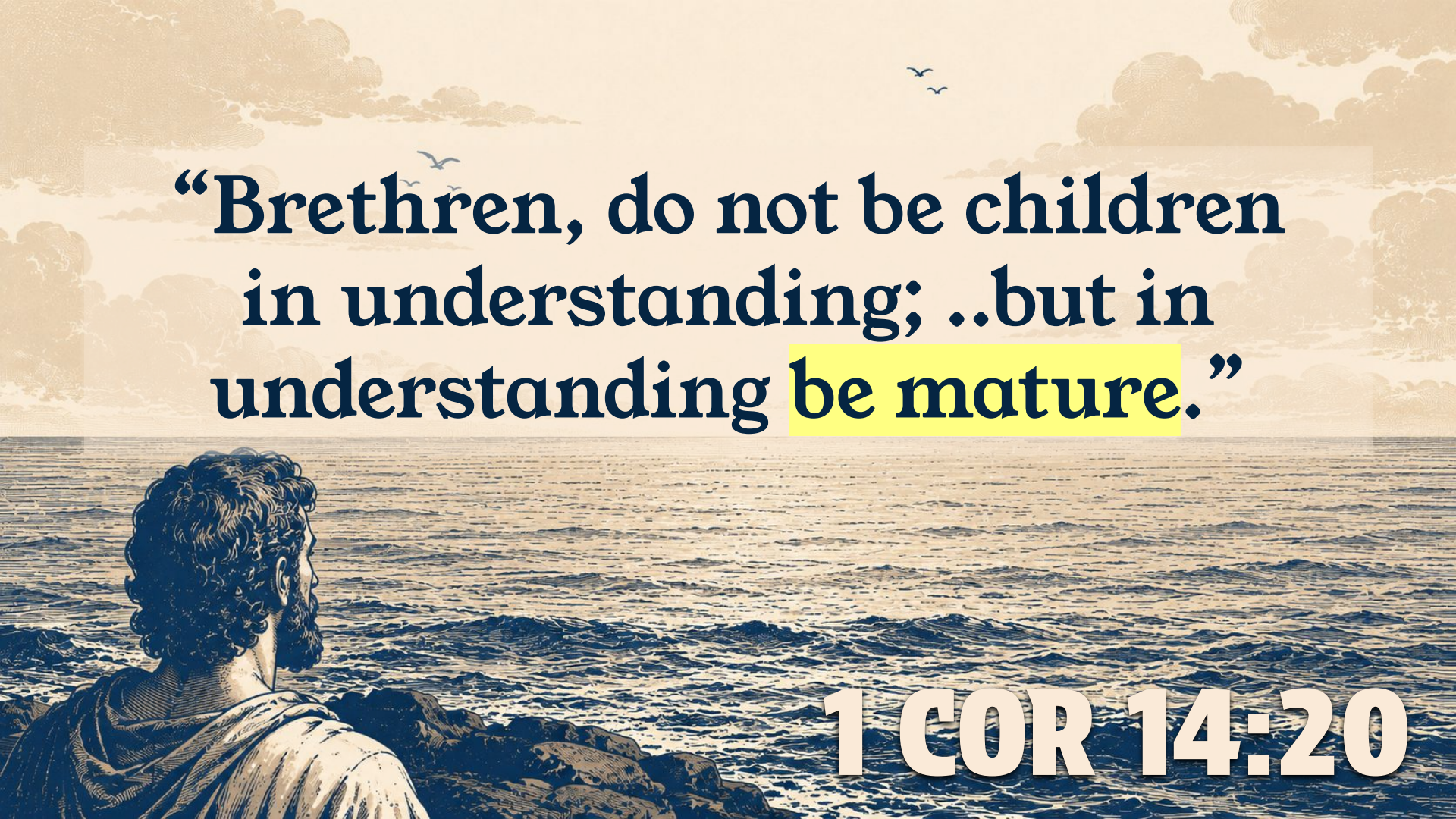
2:6-3:4





“..you were not able to receive it,
and even now you are still not
able; 3 for you are still carnal.”

1 COR 3:2-3



**“Brethren, do not be children
in understanding; ..but in
understanding be mature.”**

1 COR 14:20

“But where can wisdom be found? And where is the place of understanding? Man does not know its value, Nor is it found in the land of the living.”

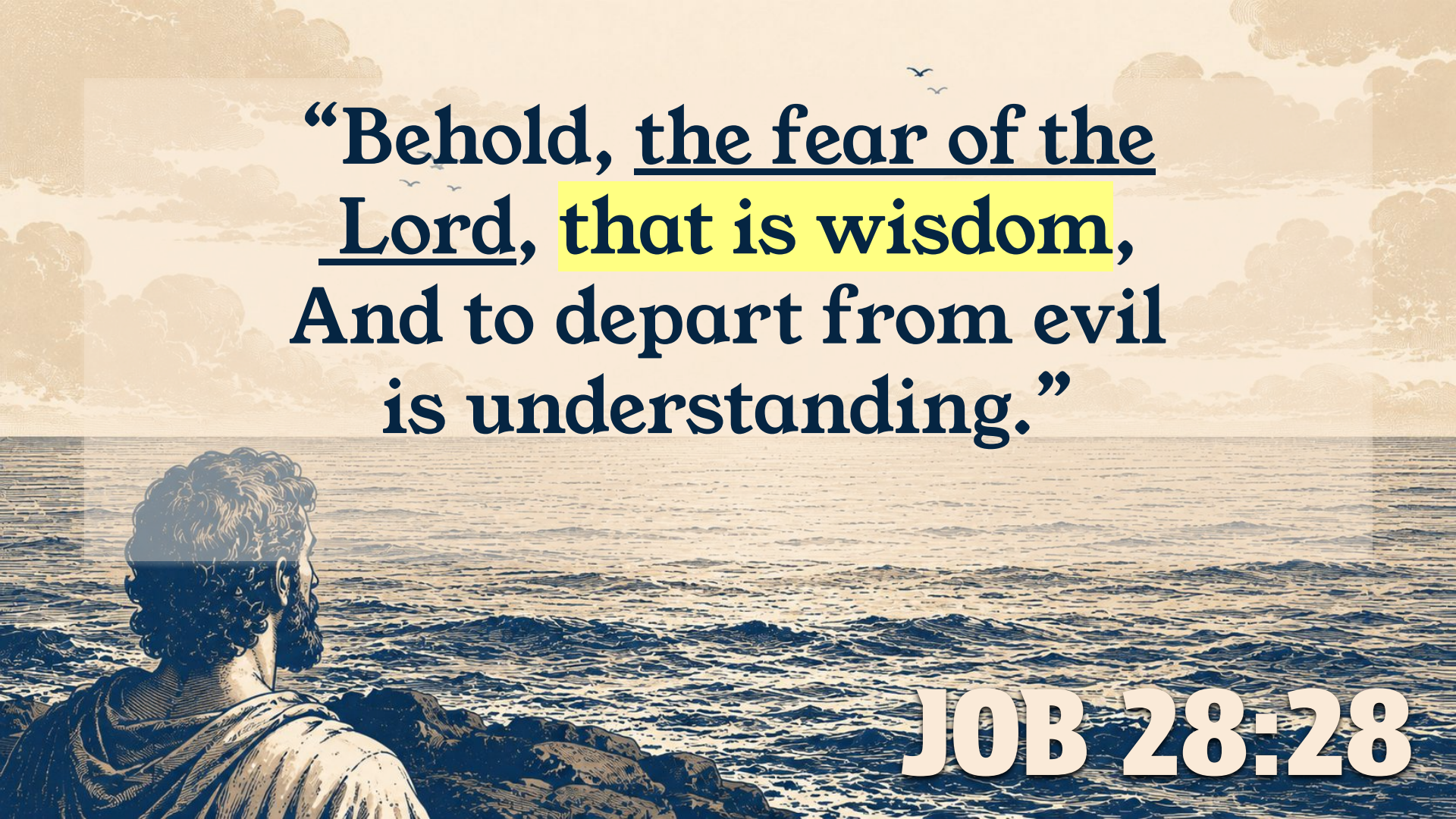
JOB 28:12-13



**“From where then does wisdom
come? And where is the place
of understanding? It is hidden
from the eyes of all living.”**



JOB 28:20-21



“Behold, the fear of the
Lord, that is wisdom,
And to depart from evil
is understanding.”

JOB 28:28

“The fear of the LORD is the
beginning of wisdom, And
the knowledge of the Holy
One is understanding.”



PROV 9:10

TWO MEANS OF REVELATION:

GENERAL REVELATION

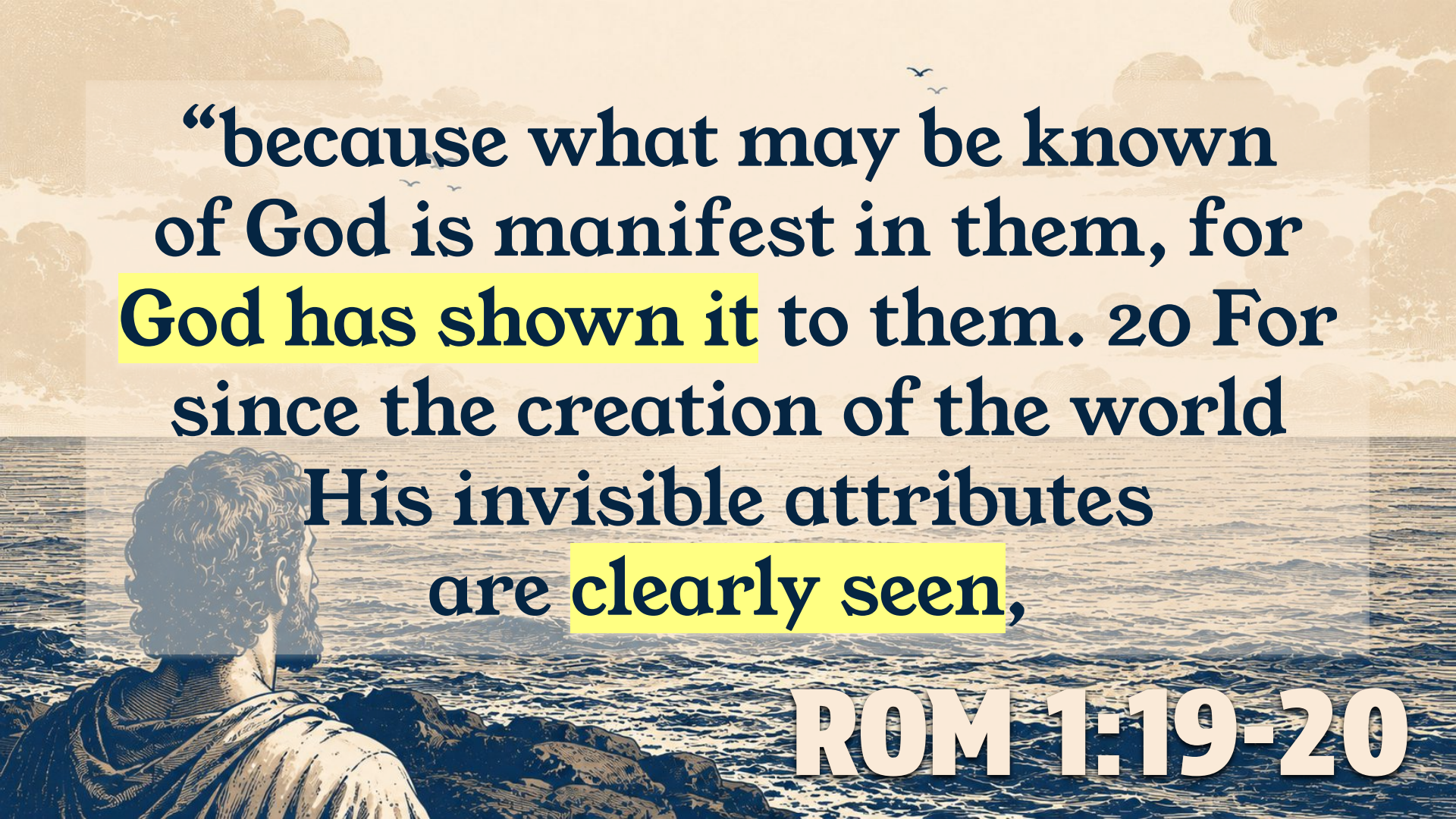
**WHAT GOD HAS MADE
KNOWN THROUGH
HIS CREATION.**

SPECIAL REVELATION

**WHAT GOD HAS MADE
KNOWN THROUGH HIS
WORD, SPIRIT, & SON.**

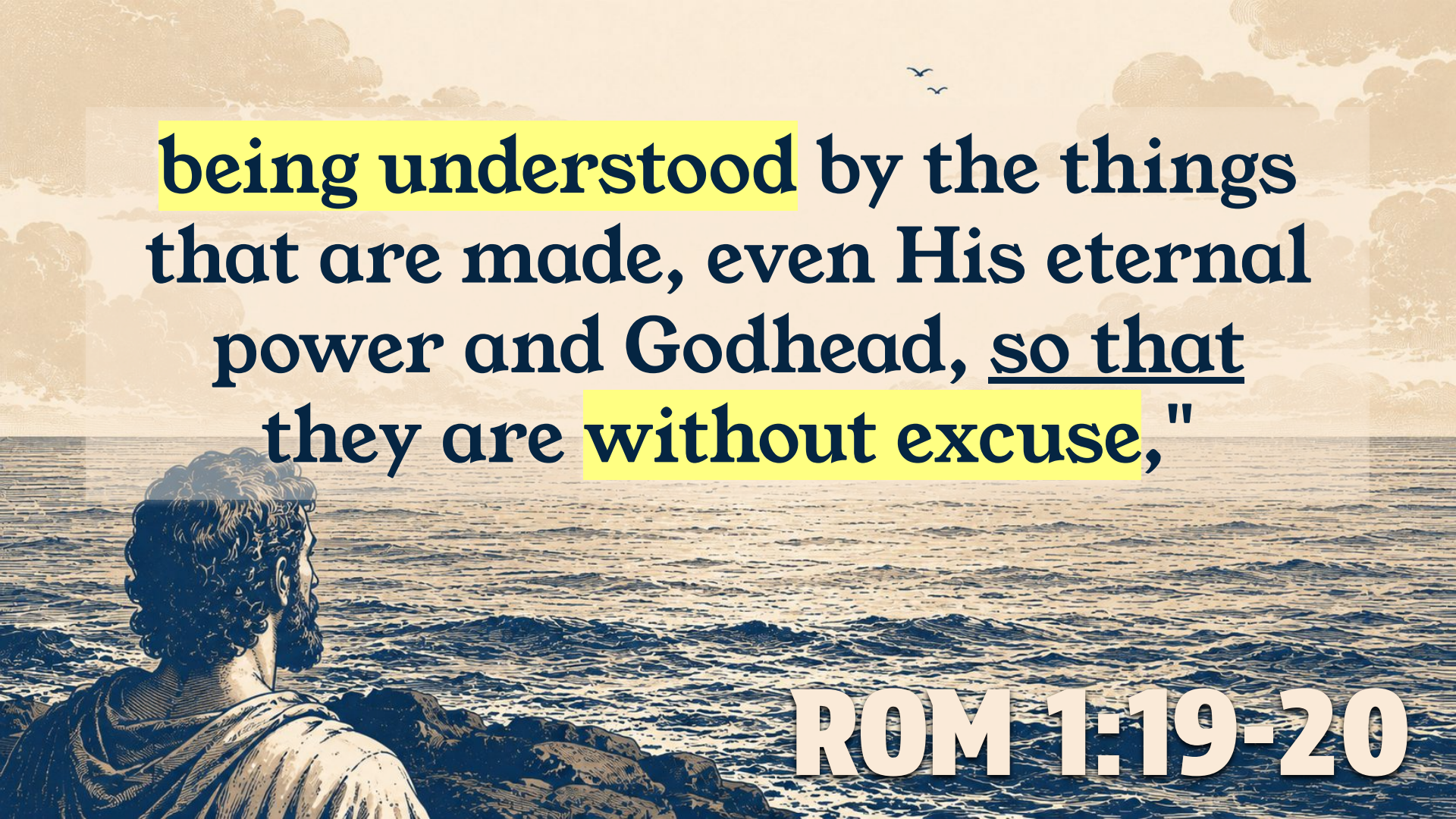
**CREATION CAN'T
GIVE US A RIGHT
STANDING, BUT
IT DOES GIVE US
THE NECESSARY
UNDERSTANDING.**





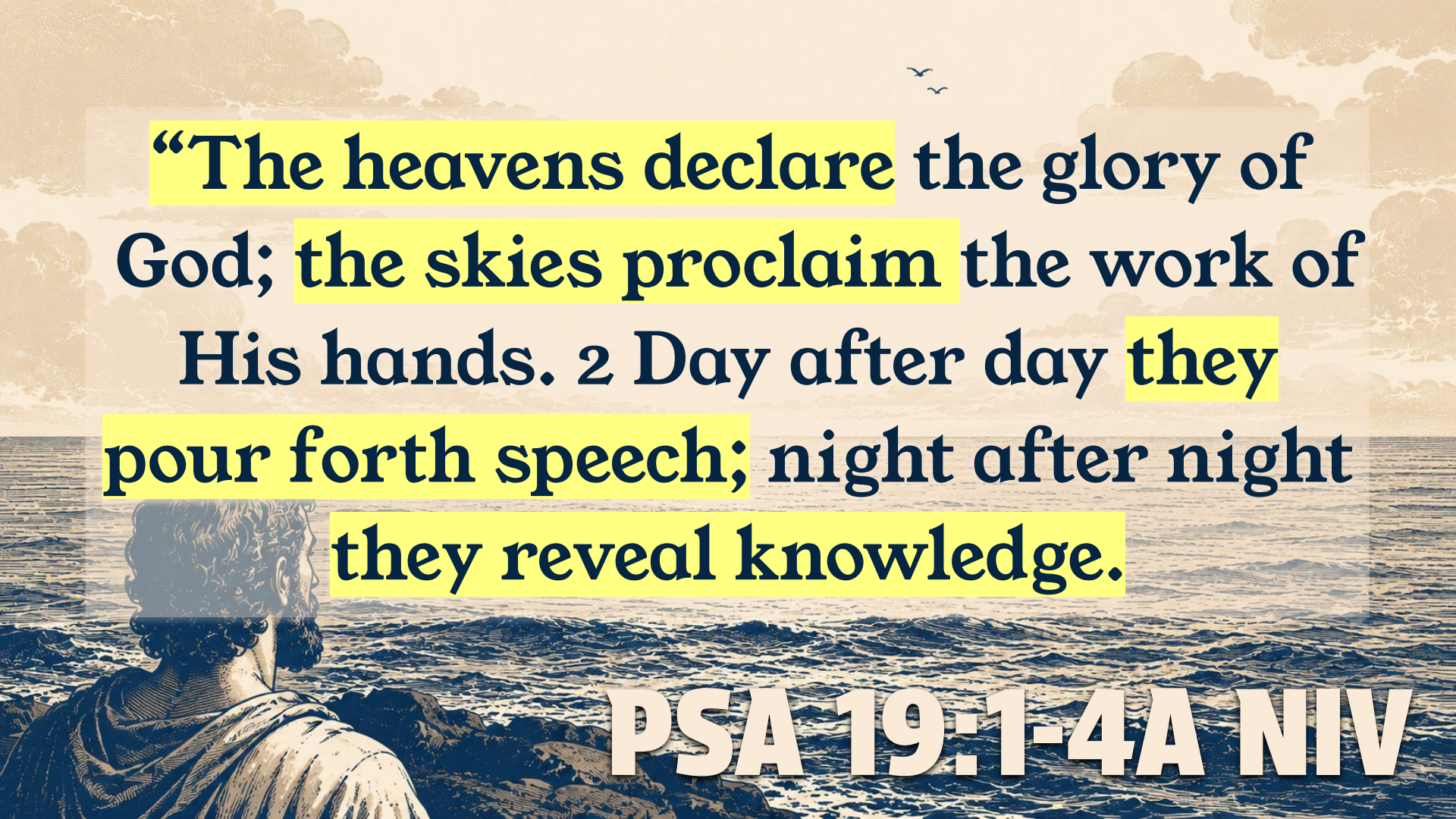
“because what may be known
of God is manifest in them, for
God has shown it to them. 20 For
since the creation of the world
His invisible attributes
are clearly seen,

ROM 1:19-20



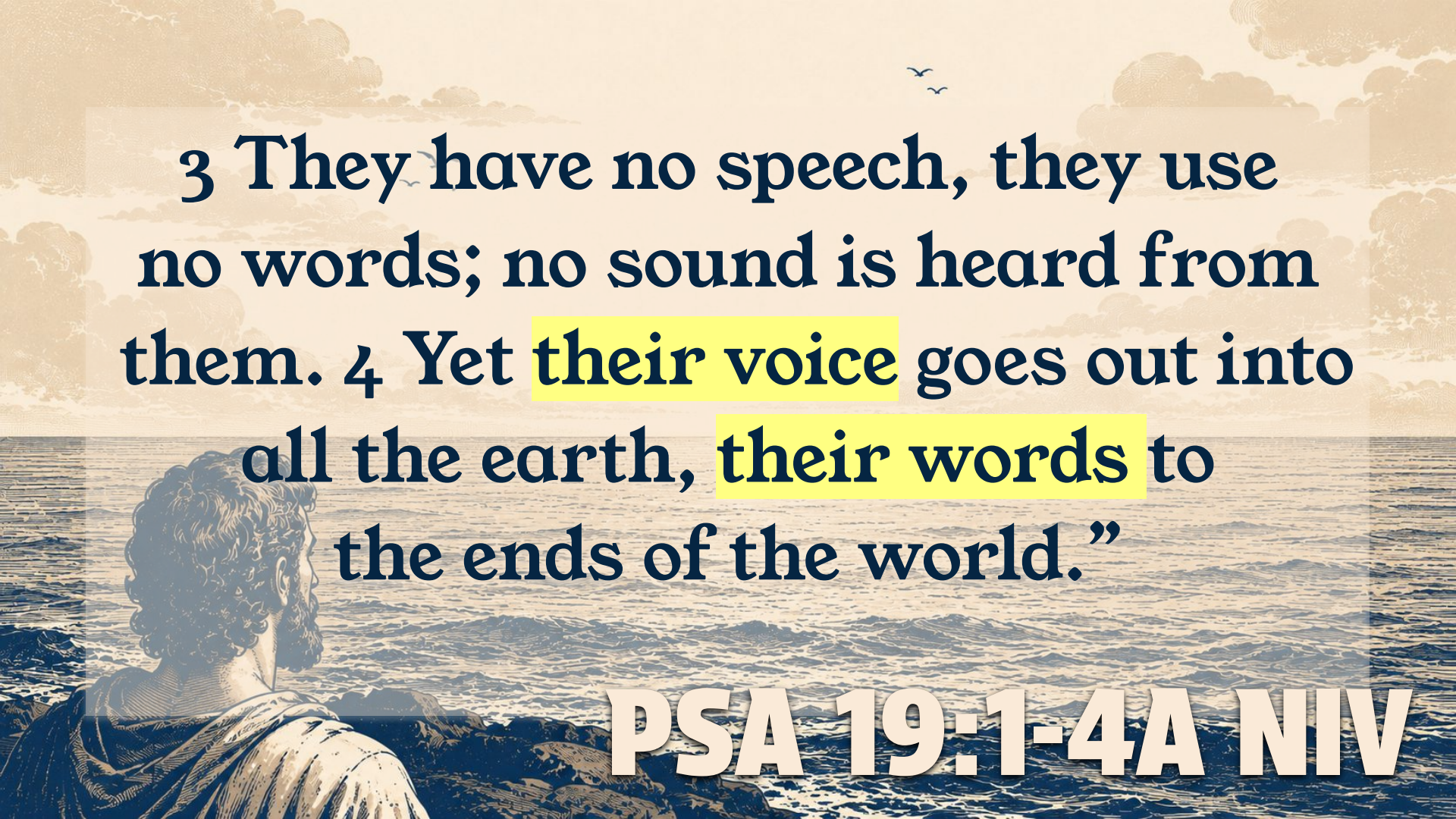
being understood by the things
that are made, even His eternal
power and Godhead, so that
they are without excuse,"

ROM 1:19-20



**“The heavens declare the glory of
God; the skies proclaim the work of
His hands. 2 Day after day they
pour forth speech; night after night
they reveal knowledge.**

PSA 19:1-4A NIV



3 They have no speech, they use
no words; no sound is heard from
them. 4 Yet **their voice** goes out into
all the earth, **their words** to
the ends of the world.”

PSA 19:1-4A NIV

**OFTEN UNBELIEF IS A
MATTER OF OBSTINANCE
NOT IGNORANCE.**

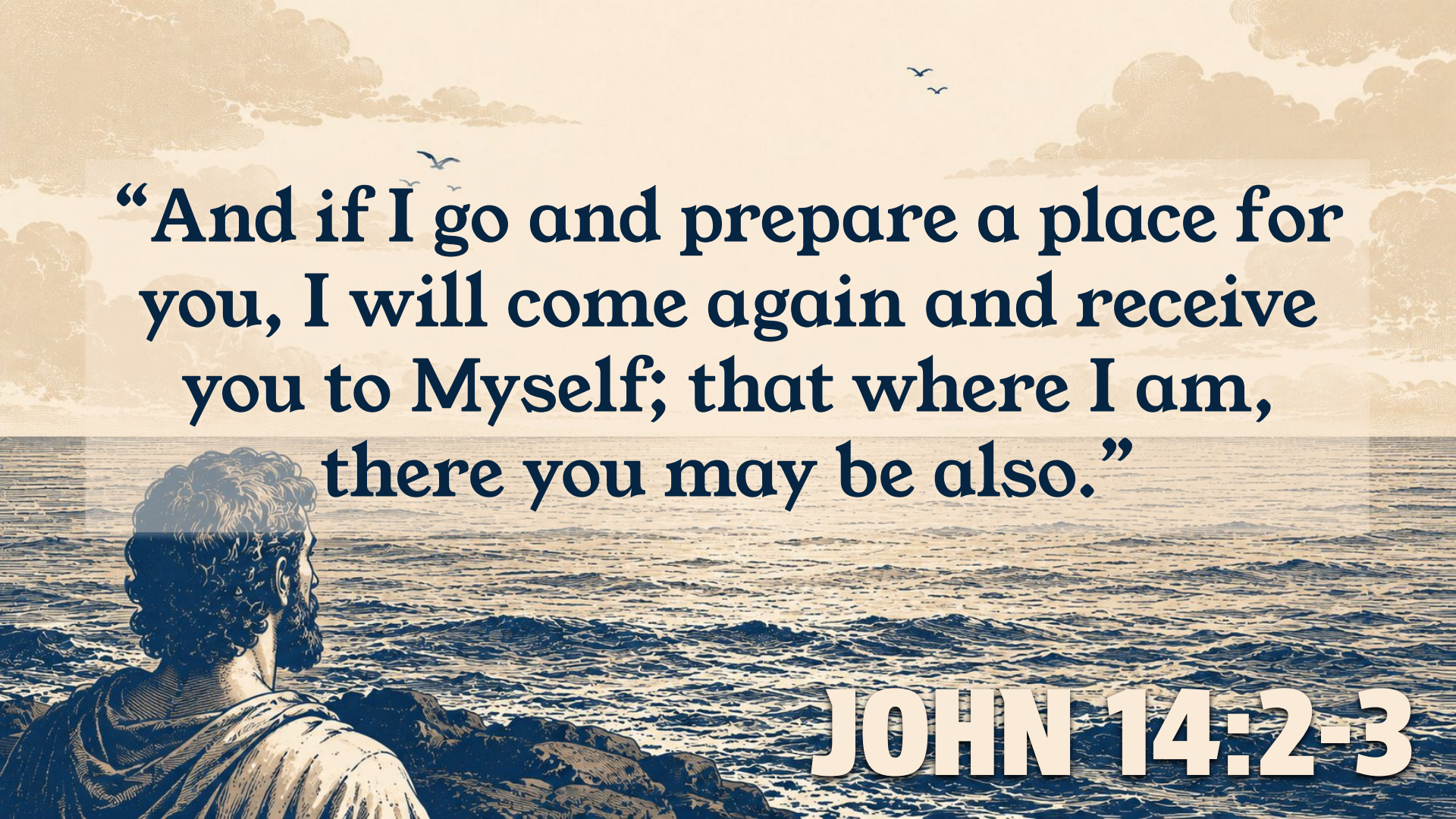


**THE SAME PERSON THAT LOOKS
AT CREATION BUT REFUSES
TO SEE GOD'S EXISTENCE, IS THE
SAME PERSON THAT LOOKS AT THE
CRUCIFIXION BUT REFUSES TO SEE
GOD'S DELIVERANCE.**



WHAT AWAITS THOSE WHO LOVE GOD?

- ✓ **AN ETERNAL KINGDOM.**
- ✓ **A ETERNAL INHERITANCE.**
- ✓ **A RESURRECTED & GLORIFIED BODY.**
- ✓ **A PLACE IN THE FATHER'S HOUSE.**
- ✓ **A SHARING IN CHRIST'S REIGNING.**
- ✓ **ACCESS TO GOD'S PRESENCE.**
- ✓ **ACCESS TO THE TREE OF LIFE.**
- ✓ **AN ESCAPE PLAN..**



“And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.”

JOHN 14:2-3

**LOVING GOD IS THE
FRUITION OF OUR
SALVATION; IT'S A
DESCRIPTION OF THOSE
WHO OBEY HIM!**



SCRIPTURE WITH SCRIPTURE:

1 CORINTHIANS 8:3

"..the one who loves God is known by God."

2 TIMOTHY 2:1

"The Lord knows those who are His,"

JOHN 10:27

"My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me."

**ILLUMINATION DOESN'T
GUARANTEE MATURATION!**



**IF YOU LACK SPIRITUAL
TEETH, YOU CAN'T EAT
SPIRITUAL MEAT BECAUSE
MATURITY IS IN HOW WE
LIVE OUR LIVES, NOT IN
WHAT WE MEMORIZE.**



