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The Season of Hope and Expectation

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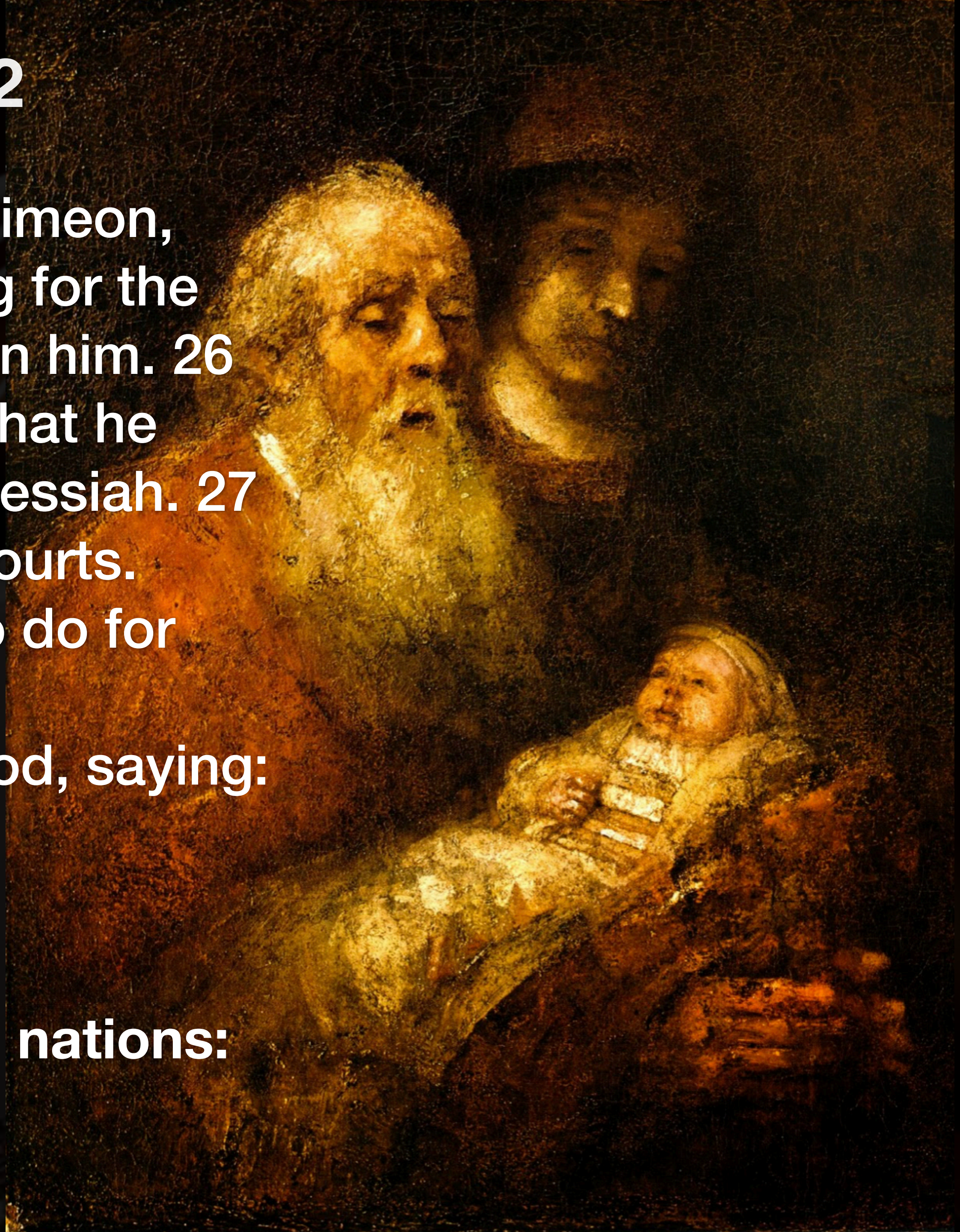
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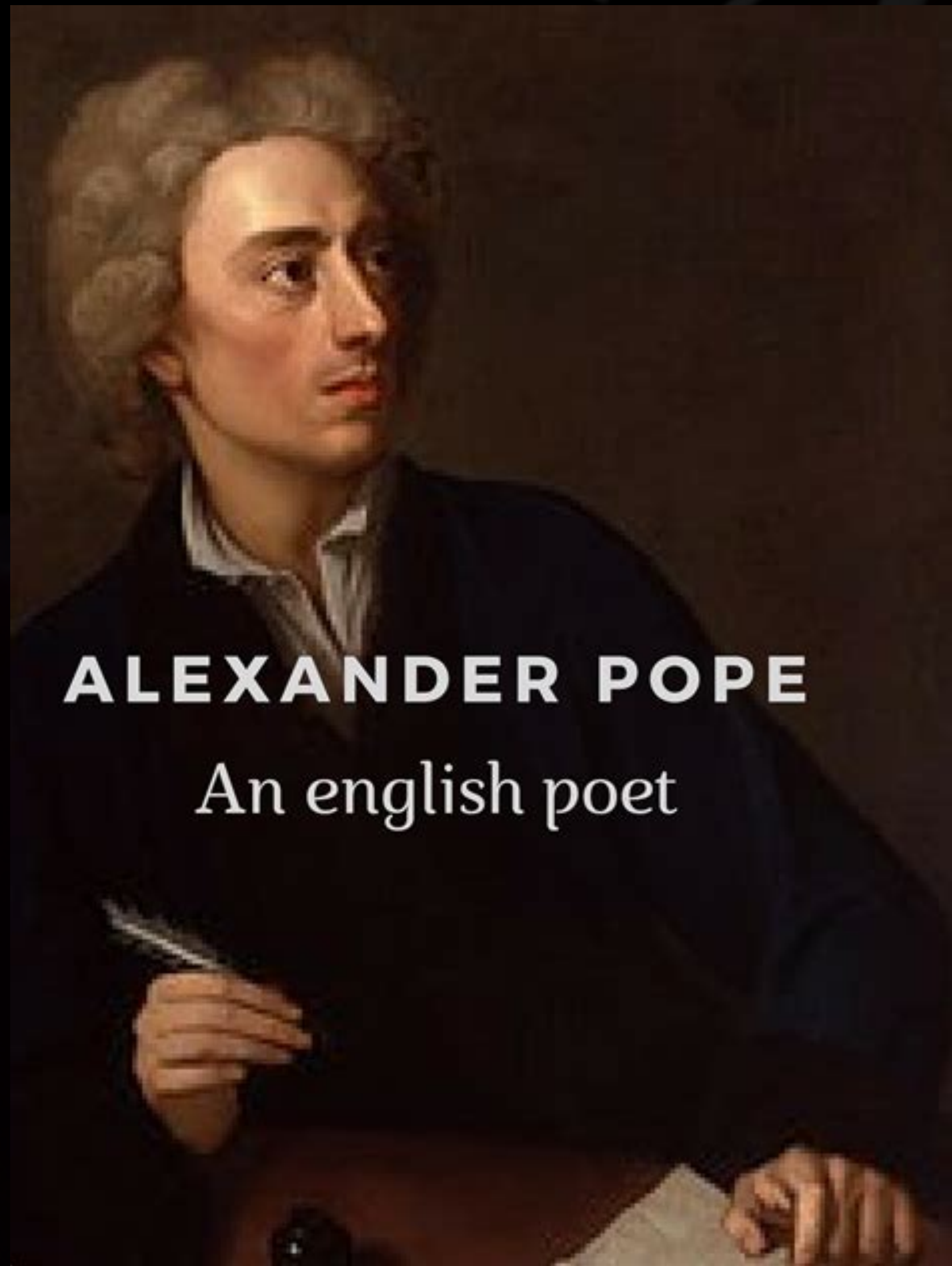
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I. **Hope** - Why we need it?



ALEXANDER POPE

An english poet

“Hope springs eternal in the human breast...”

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I. **Hope** - Why we need it?

Man can live about **forty days** without food,
about **three days** without water,
about **eight minutes** without air,
but only for **one second** without hope.

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Man's Search for Meaning

VIKTOR E. FRANKL



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• **They became harsh.**



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- **They would lose all hope.**
- **They hoped to return to normal.**



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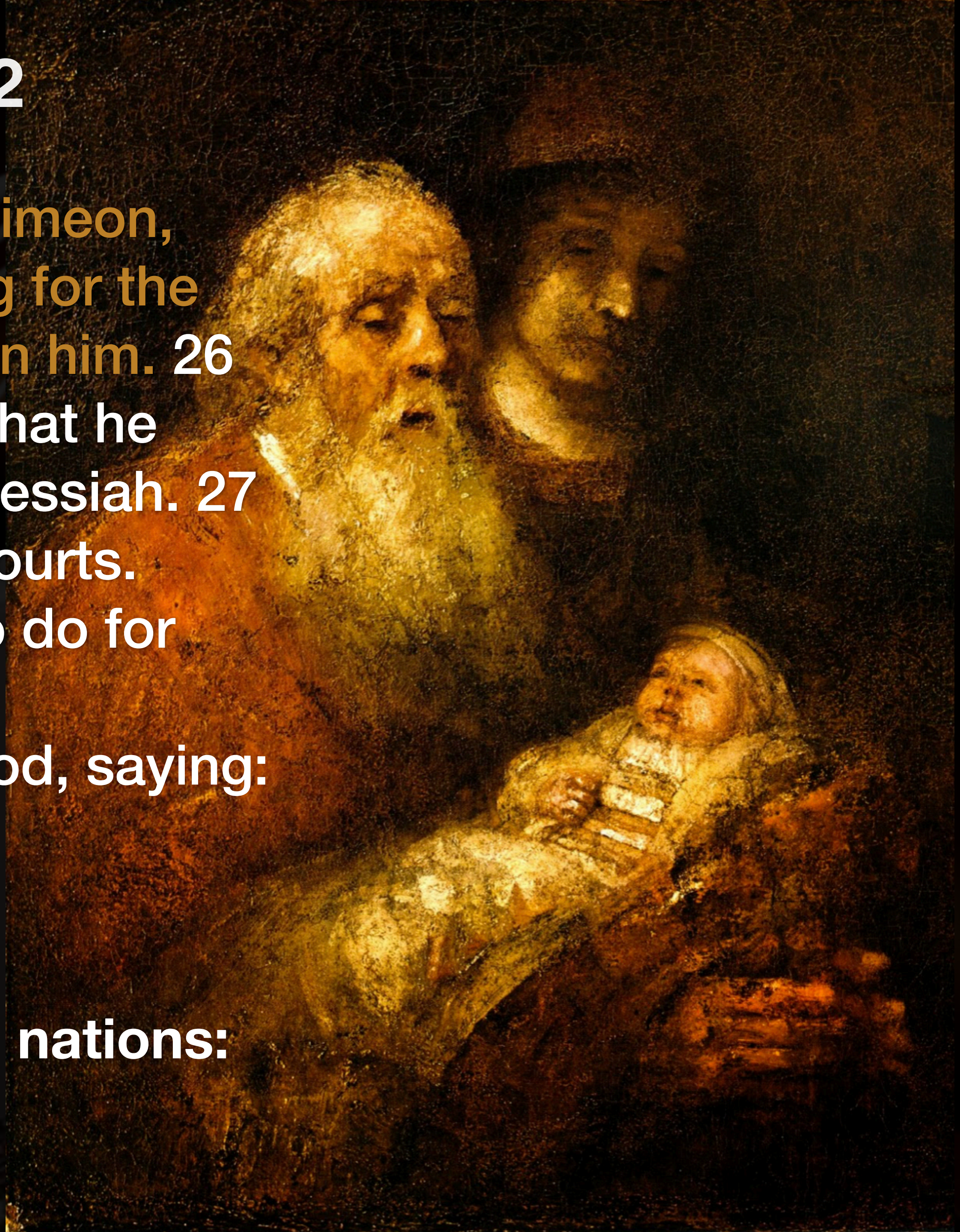
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“...hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what he already has? But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.” Romans 8:24,25

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Webster's Dictionary

Definition of Hope: : to cherish a desire with anticipation : to want something to happen or be true

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“Biblical hope not only desires something good for the future; it expects it to happen. And it not only expects it to happen; it is confident that it will happen.”

John Piper

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**“Who runs out to meet someone
he believes will not come?”**

William Gurnall

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A painting depicting Simeon, an elderly man with a long white beard, holding the infant Jesus. The scene is set in a dark, textured environment. A large, semi-transparent blue watermark with the word "PROMISE" in white capital letters is overlaid diagonally across the left side of the image.

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“Hope without a promise is like an anchor without ground to hold by.”

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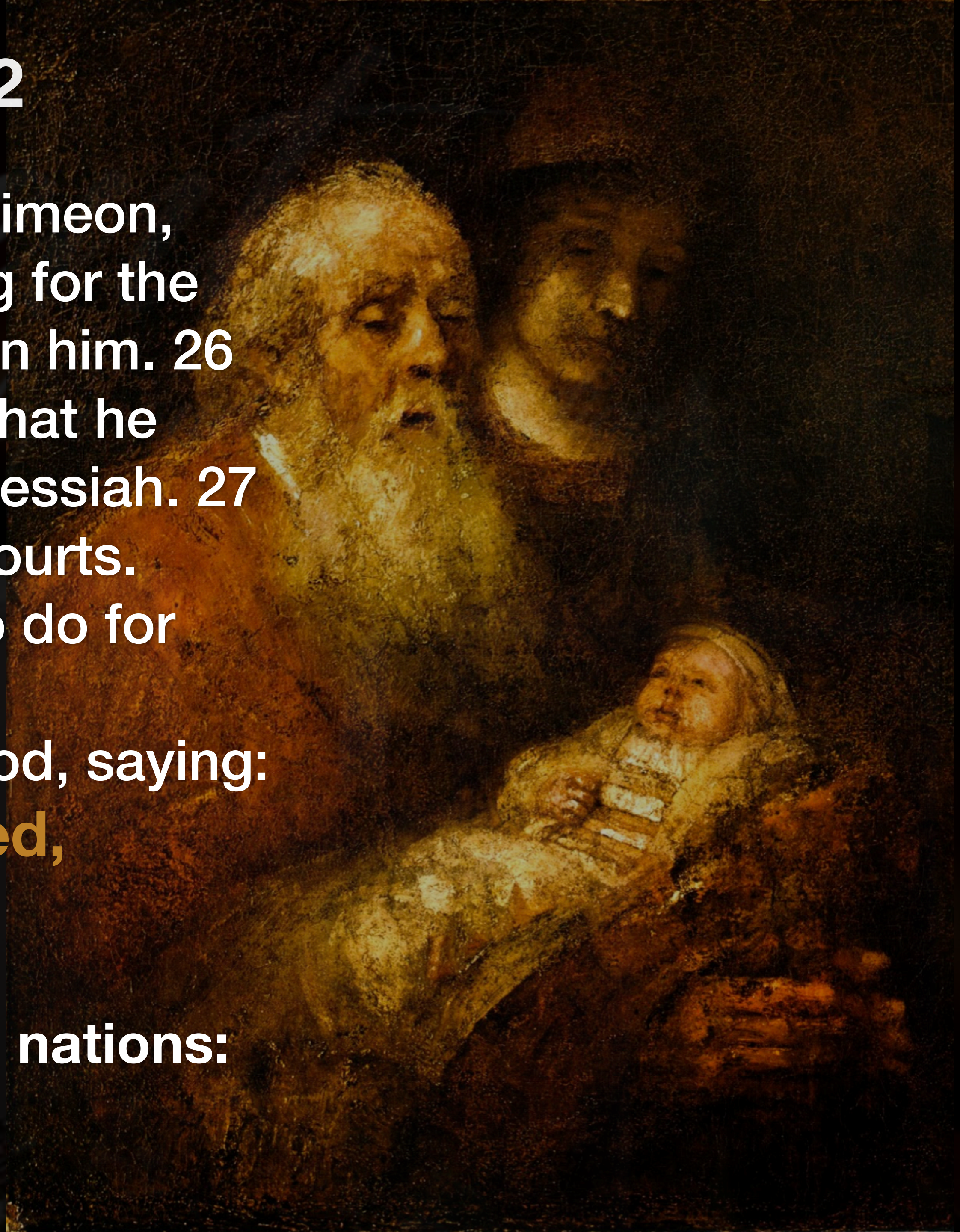
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“Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you believe in him, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

Romans 15:13

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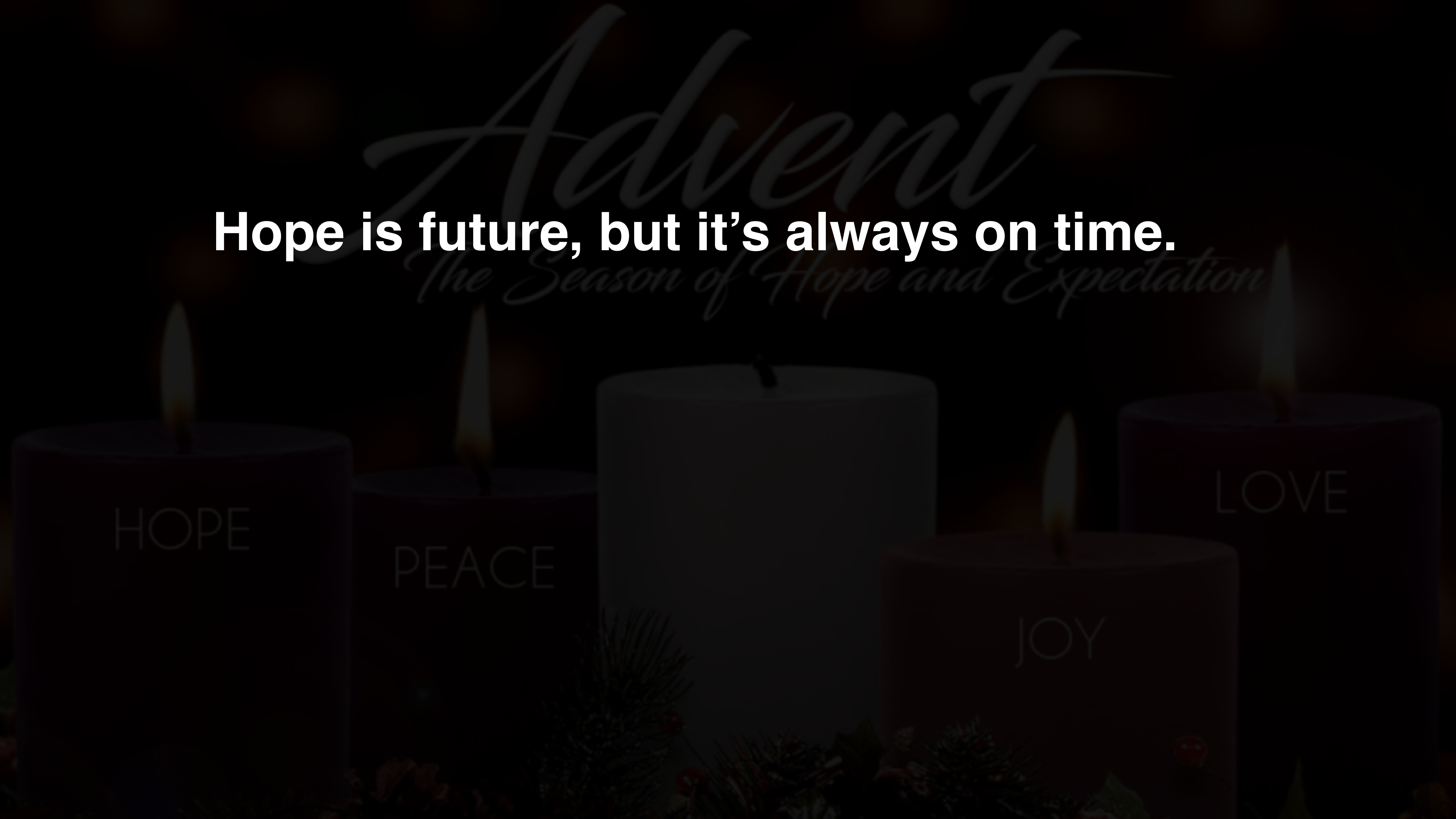
Hope is future, but it's always on time.

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“Every promise is dated, but with a mysterious character; and because we cannot understand God’s chronology, we can think He must have forgotten it.”

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“Identify the things you really hope for and you will discover the things you really live for.”

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**“God’s design fits the highest
hope a person can have.”**

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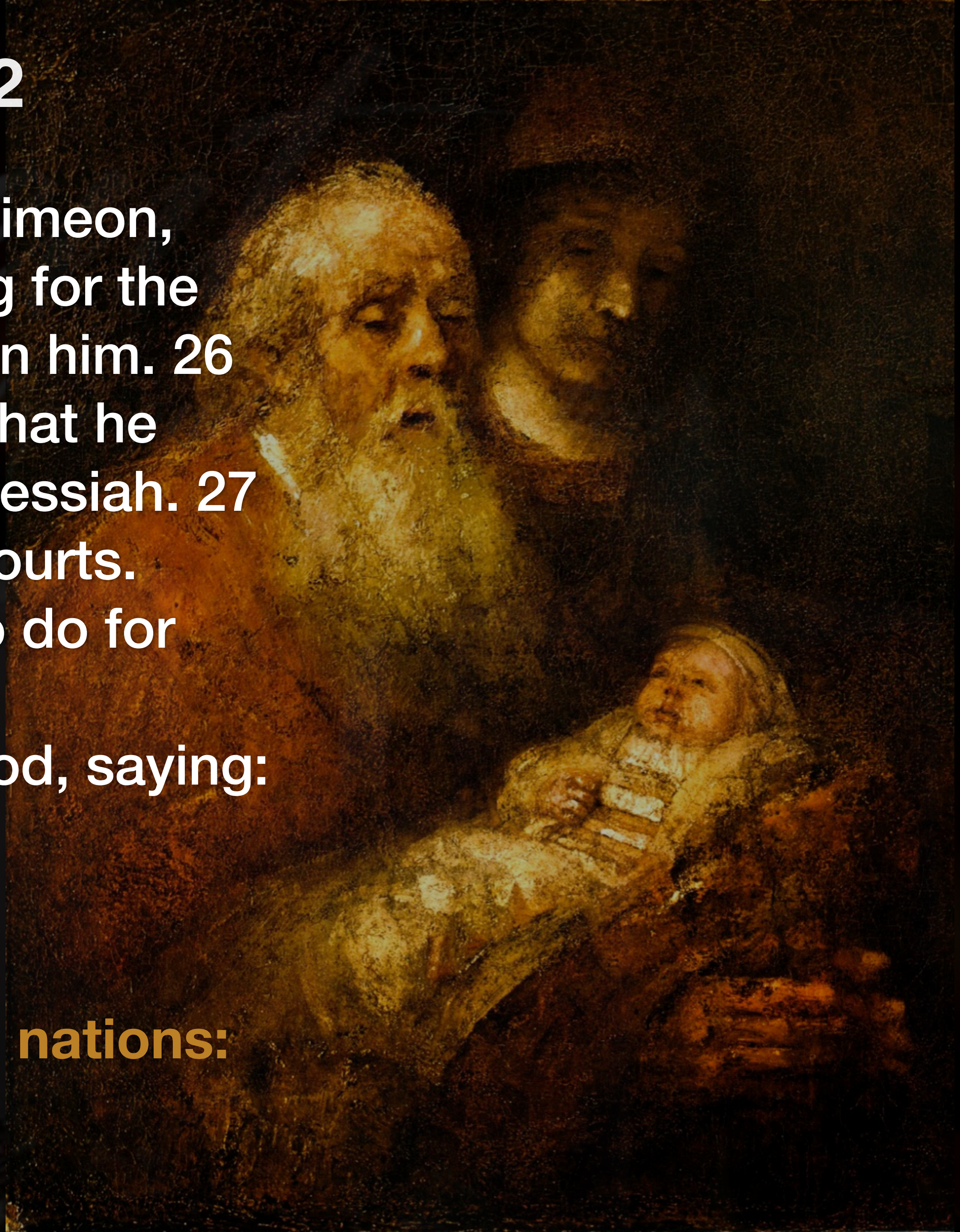
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“...For the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”

Hebrews 12:1,2

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The hopeless are the Christless.

But he is our hope and therefore we are full of hope.

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