

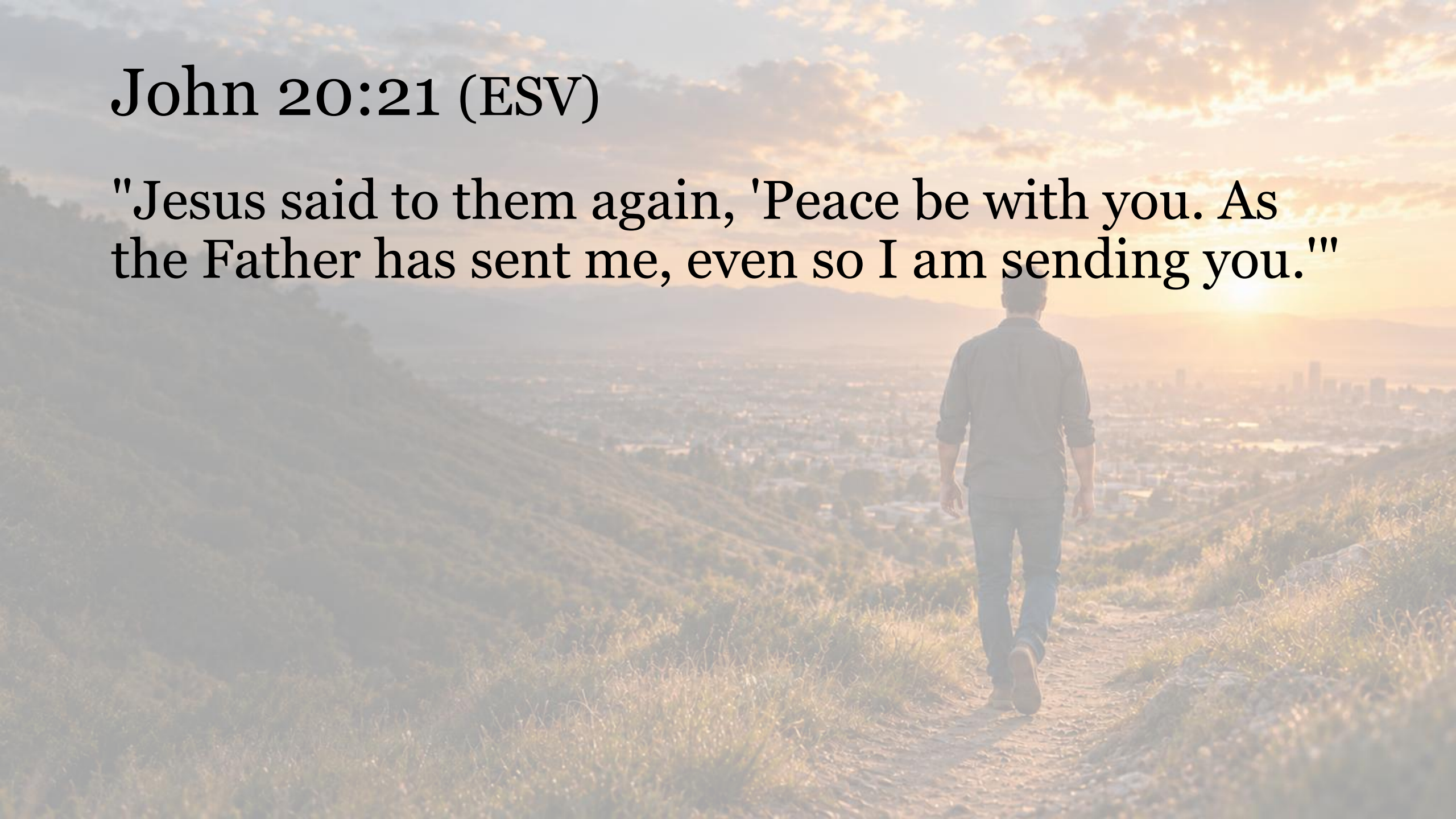
A man in a dark shirt and jeans is walking away from the camera on a dirt path that winds down a grassy hill. In the background, a city skyline is visible under a dramatic sunset sky with orange and yellow clouds. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a warm glow over the scene.

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SENT BY JESUS.
INTO **RELATIONSHIP.** INTO **HEALING.**
INTO **SERVICE.** INTO **A HURTING WORLD.**

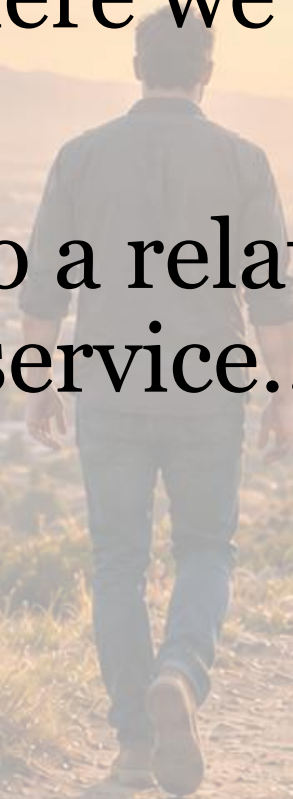
John 20:21 (ESV)

"Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.'"



The Christian life is not about staying safe...staying comfortable...or staying where we are.

We have been sent by Jesus into a relationship with God...into healing...into service...into a hurting world.

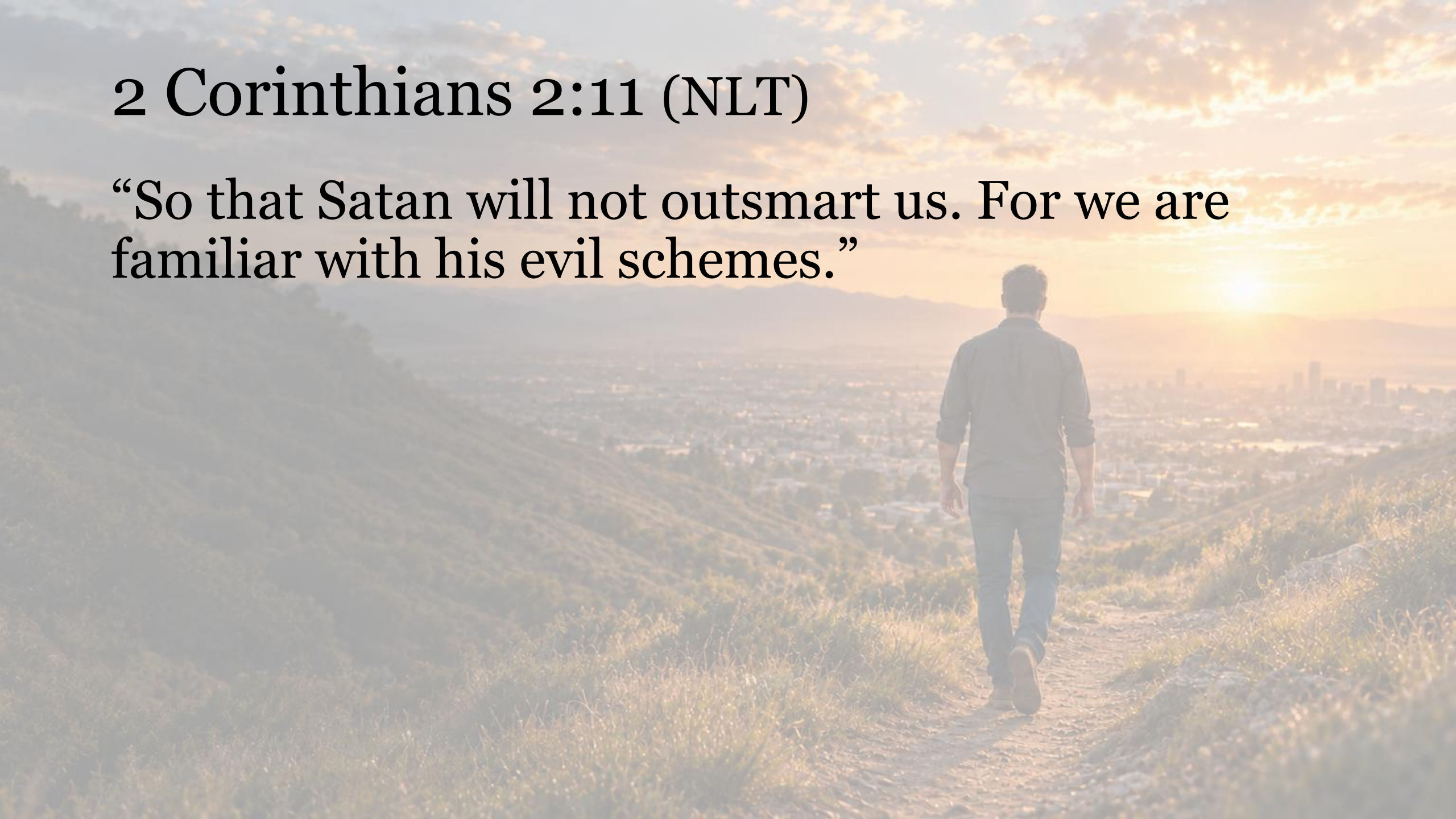


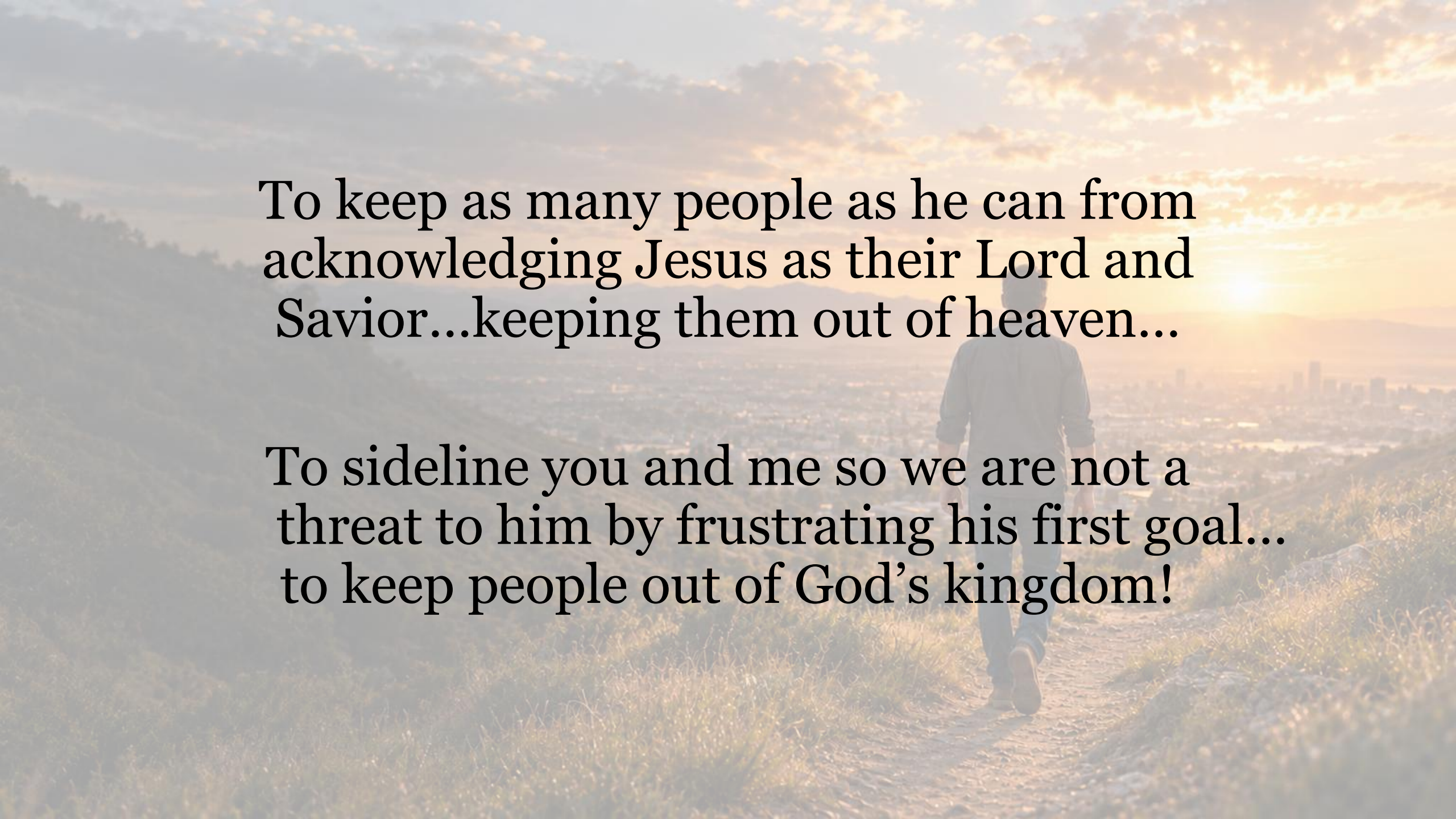
A person is walking away from the camera on a dirt path that winds up a grassy hill. The person is wearing a dark long-sleeved shirt and blue jeans. In the background, a city skyline is visible under a sunset sky with orange and yellow clouds. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm glow over the entire scene.

DON'T PULL THE STRING!

2 Corinthians 2:11 (NLT)

“So that Satan will not outsmart us. For we are familiar with his evil schemes.”



A person is walking away from the viewer on a dirt path that leads towards a city skyline in the distance. The scene is set during sunset or sunrise, with a warm, golden light illuminating the sky and the city. The person is wearing a dark jacket and pants. The path is surrounded by dry grass and shrubs. The city skyline is visible in the background, with several buildings and a bridge. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds.

To keep as many people as he can from
acknowledging Jesus as their Lord and
Savior...keeping them out of heaven...

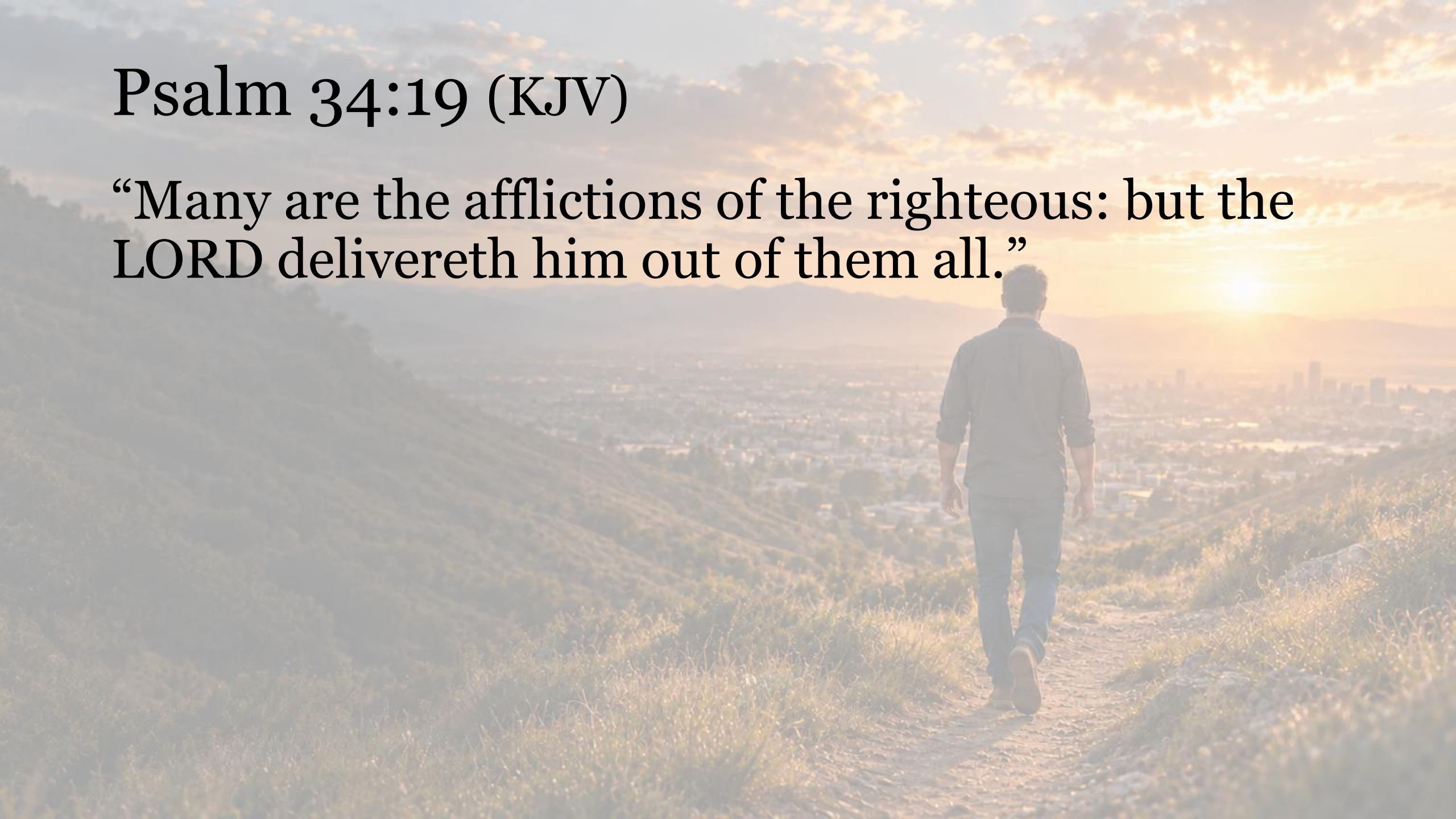
To sideline you and me so we are not a
threat to him by frustrating his first goal...
to keep people out of God's kingdom!

2 Peter 3:8-10 (AMP)

Nevertheless, do not let this one *fact* escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years is like one day. The Lord does not delay [as though He were unable to act] *and* is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is [extraordinarily] patient toward you, **not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.**

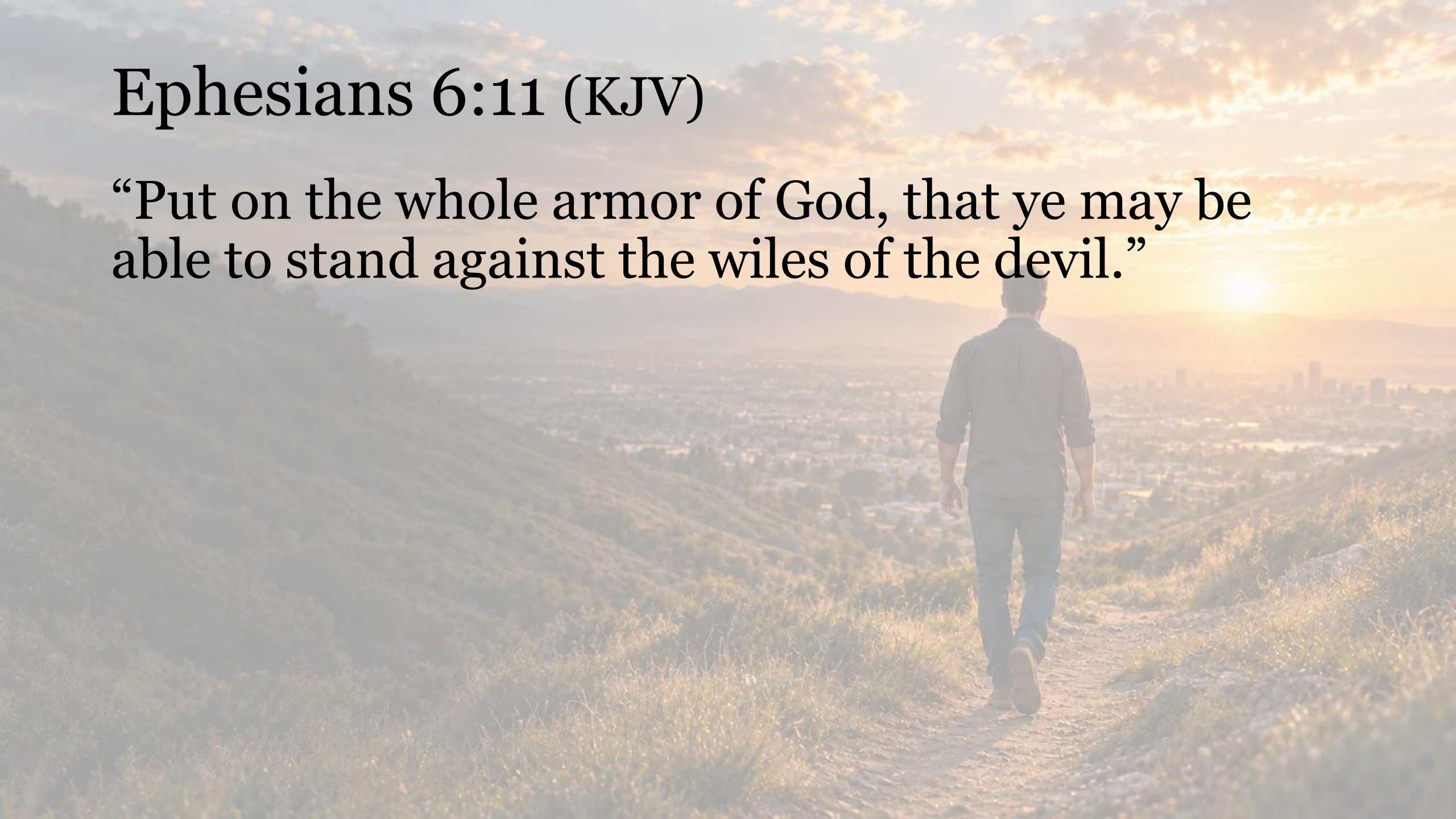
Psalm 34:19 (KJV)

“Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.”



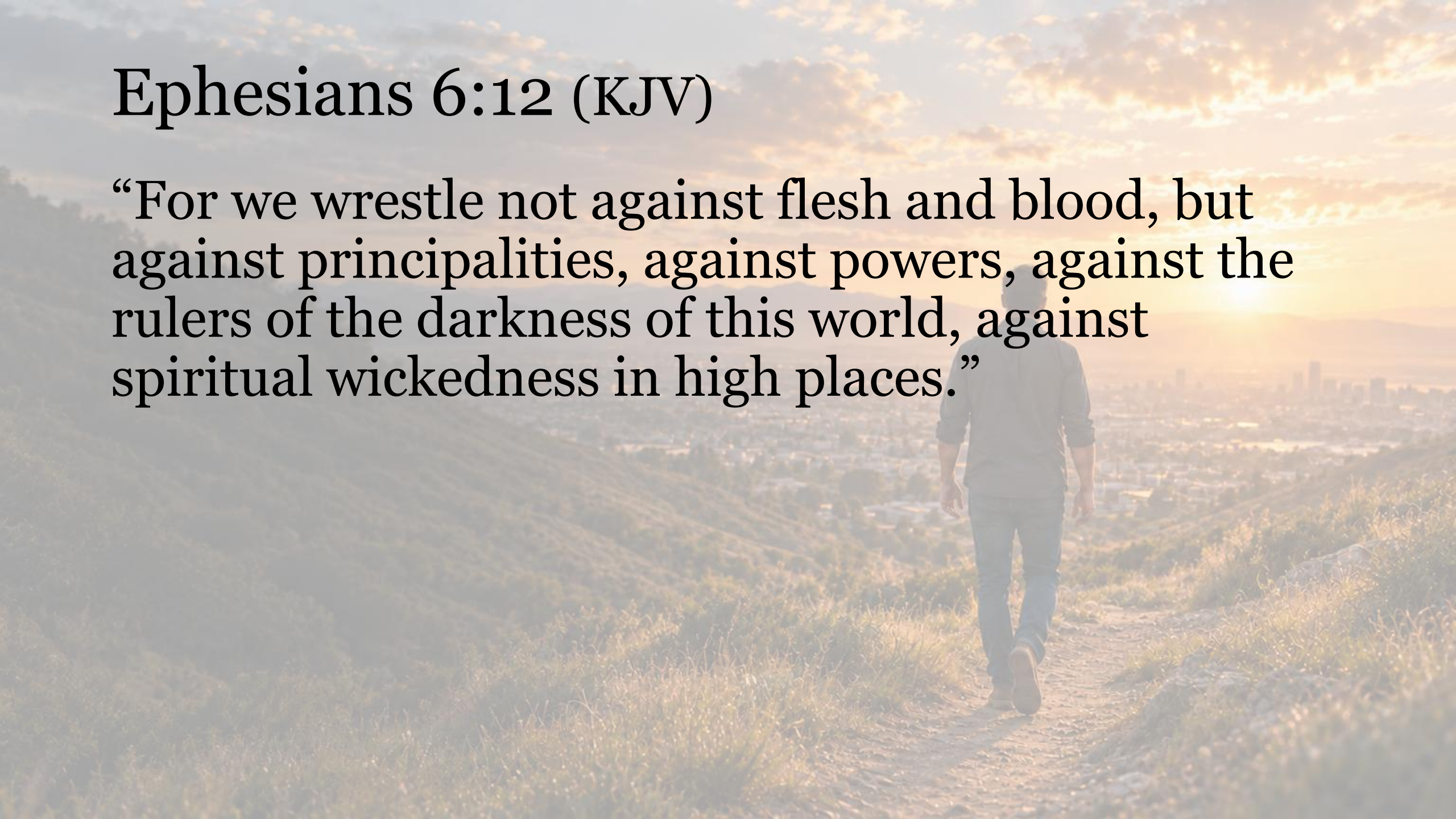
Ephesians 6:11 (KJV)

“Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.”



Ephesians 6:12 (KJV)

“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.”



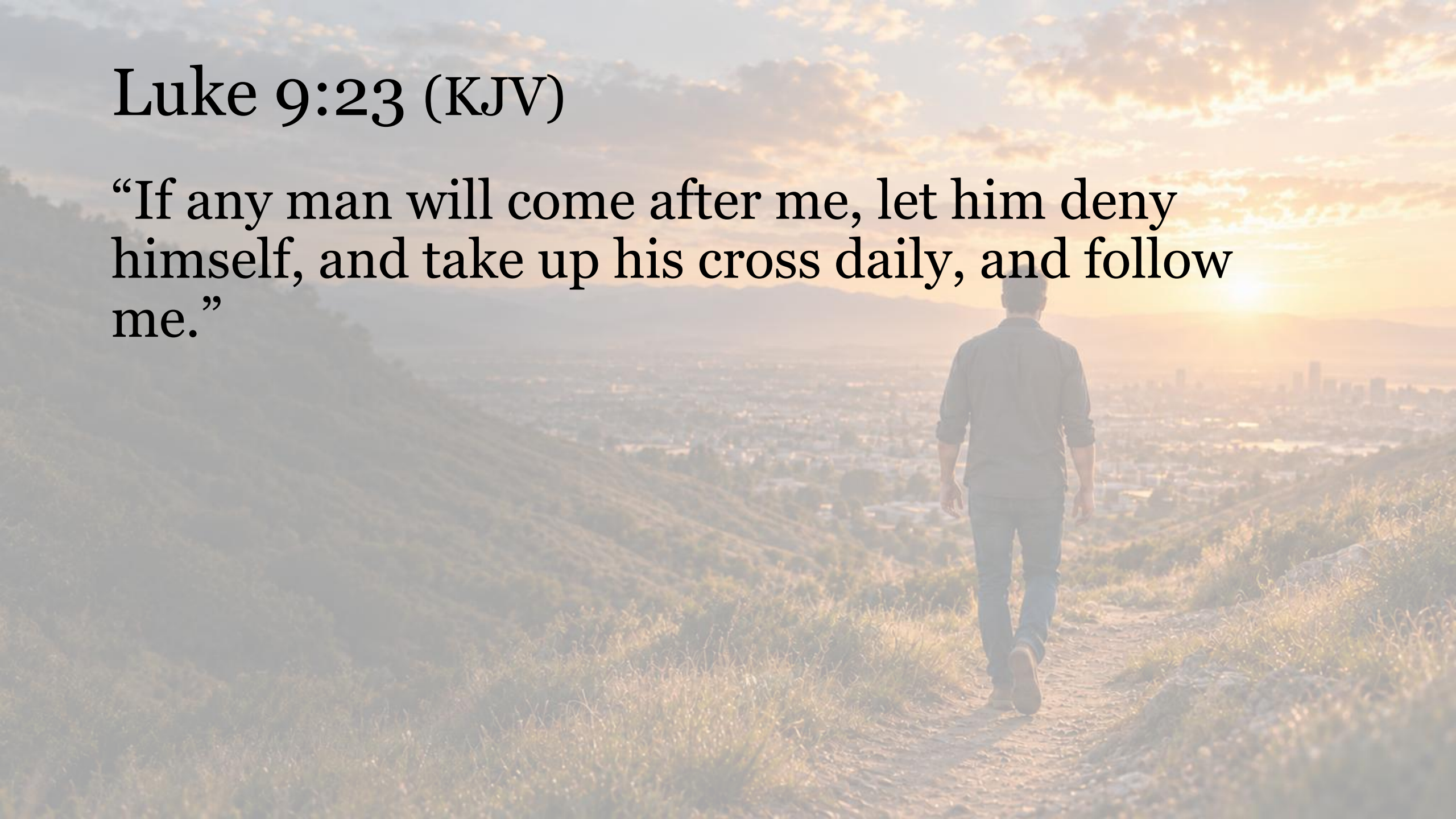
James 1:2 (KJV)

“My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into
divers temptations.”



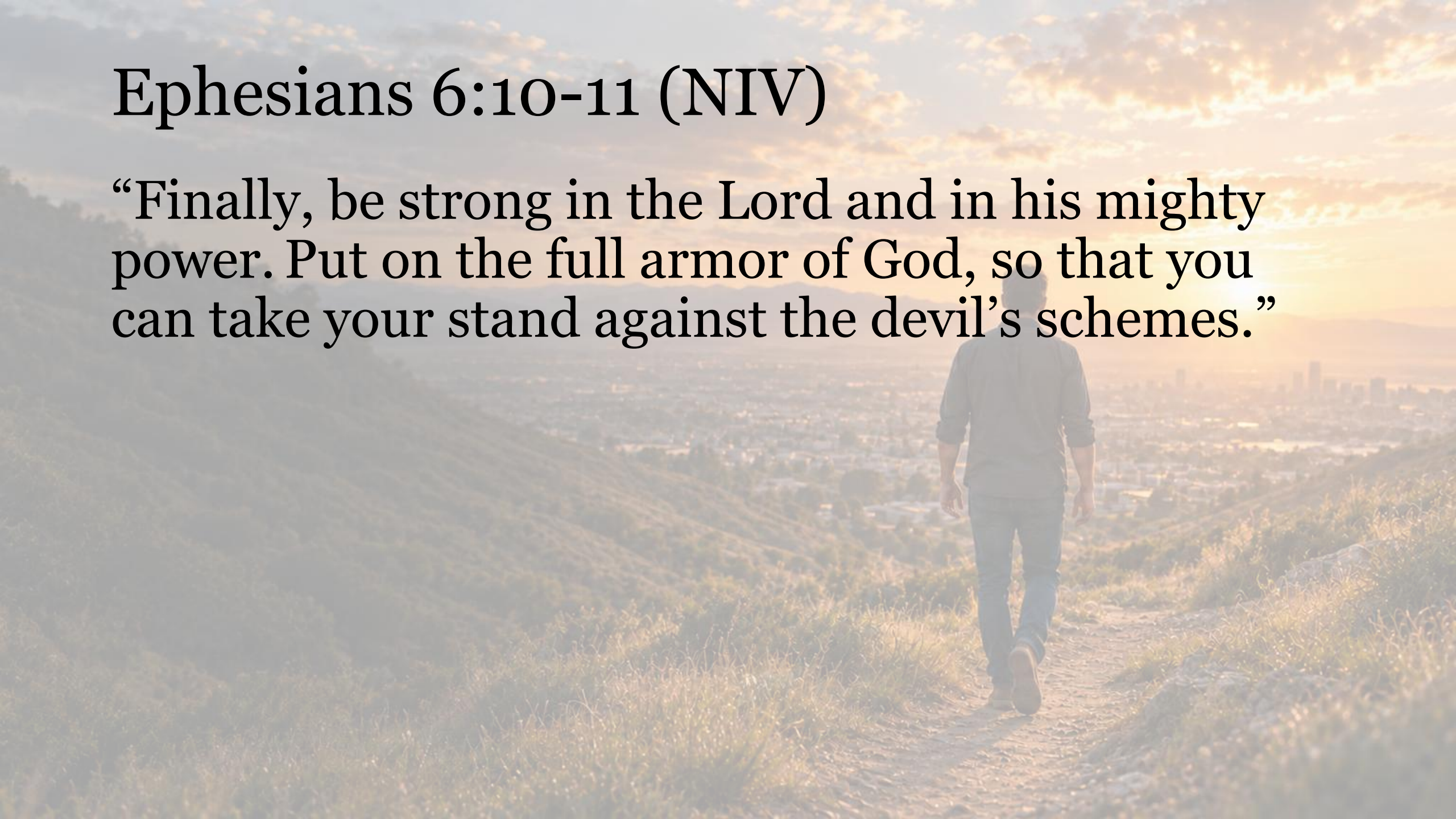
Luke 9:23 (KJV)

“If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.”



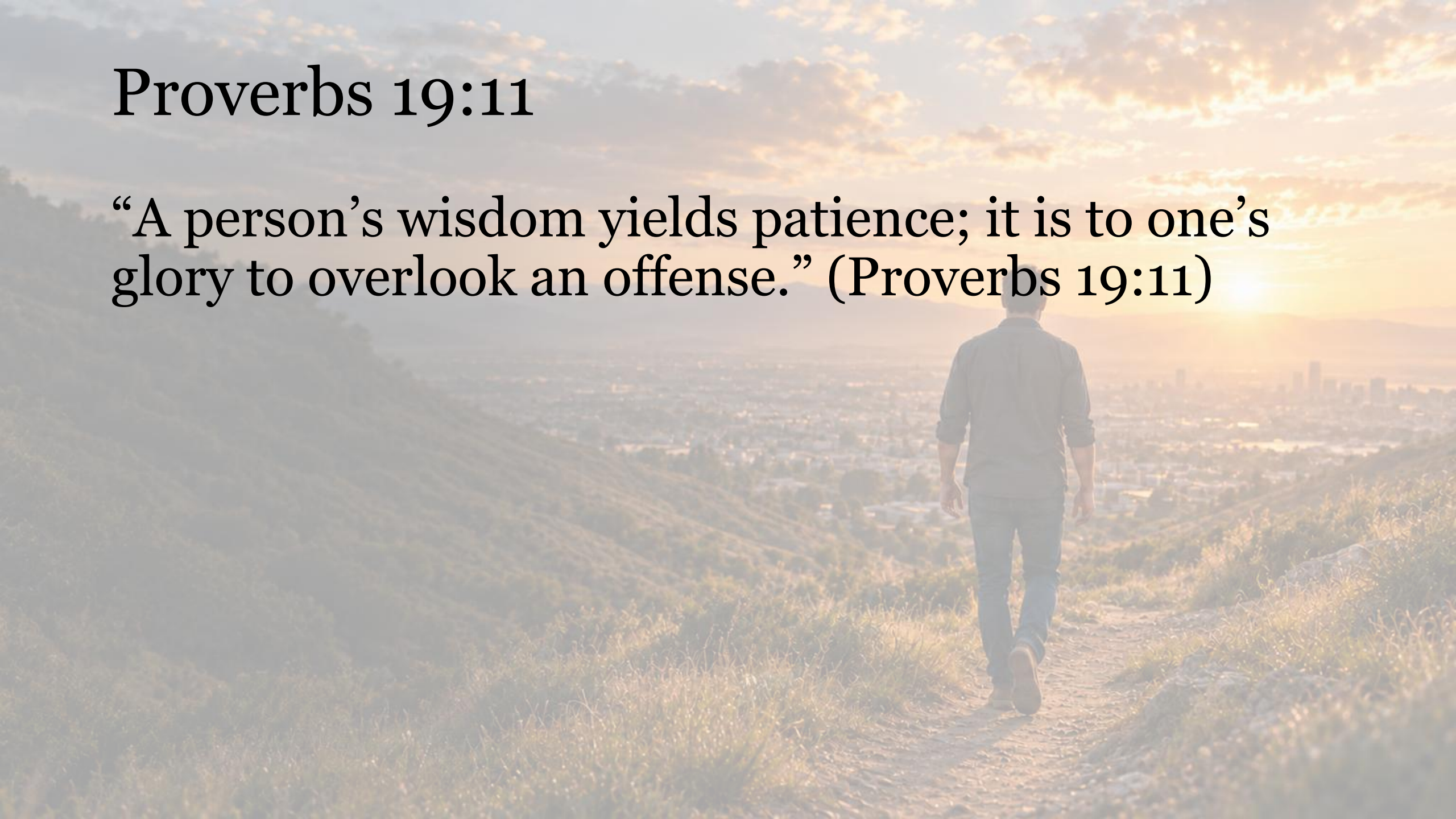
Ephesians 6:10-11 (NIV)

“Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes.”



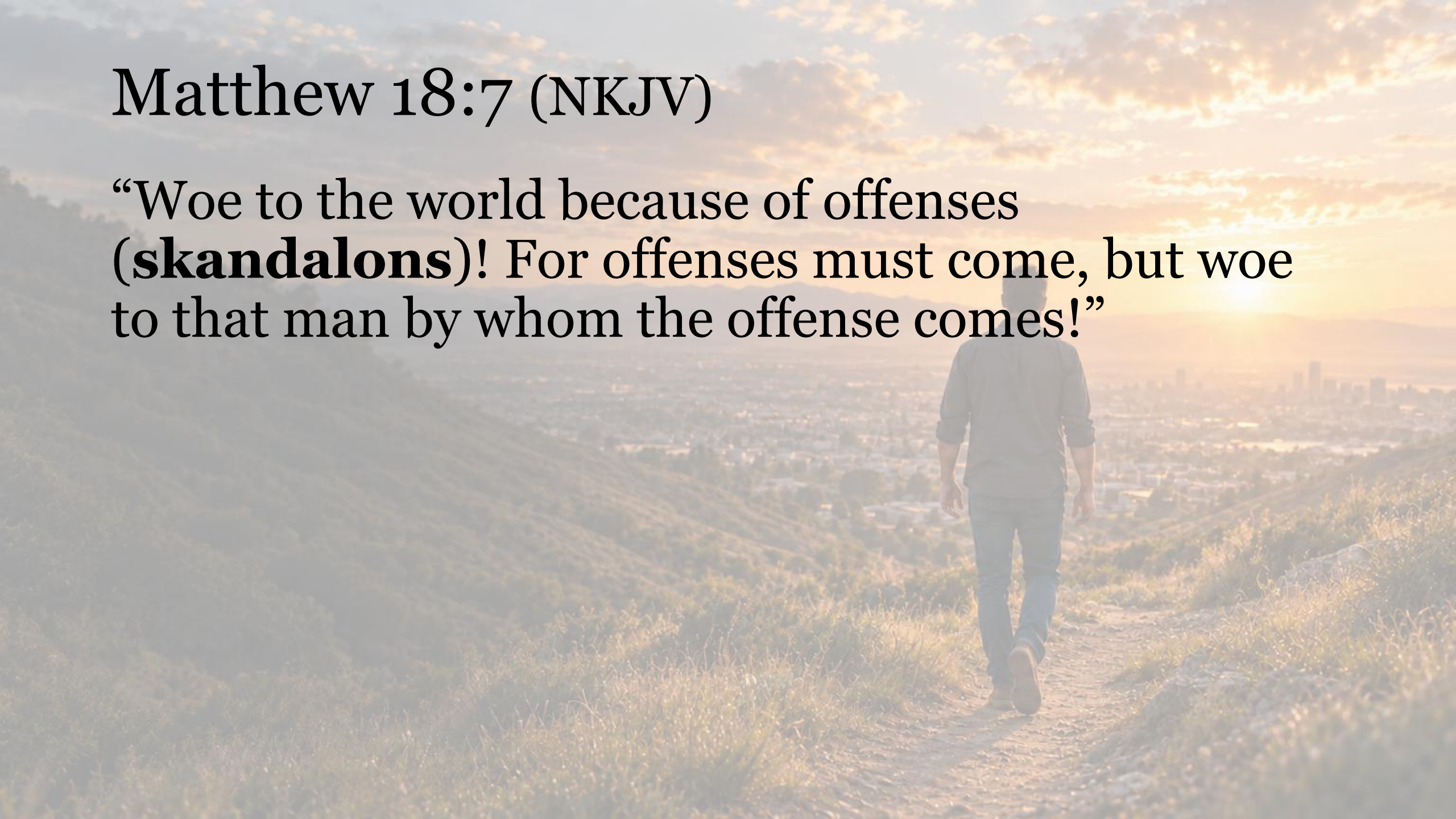
Proverbs 19:11

“A person’s wisdom yields patience; it is to one’s glory to overlook an offense.” (Proverbs 19:11)



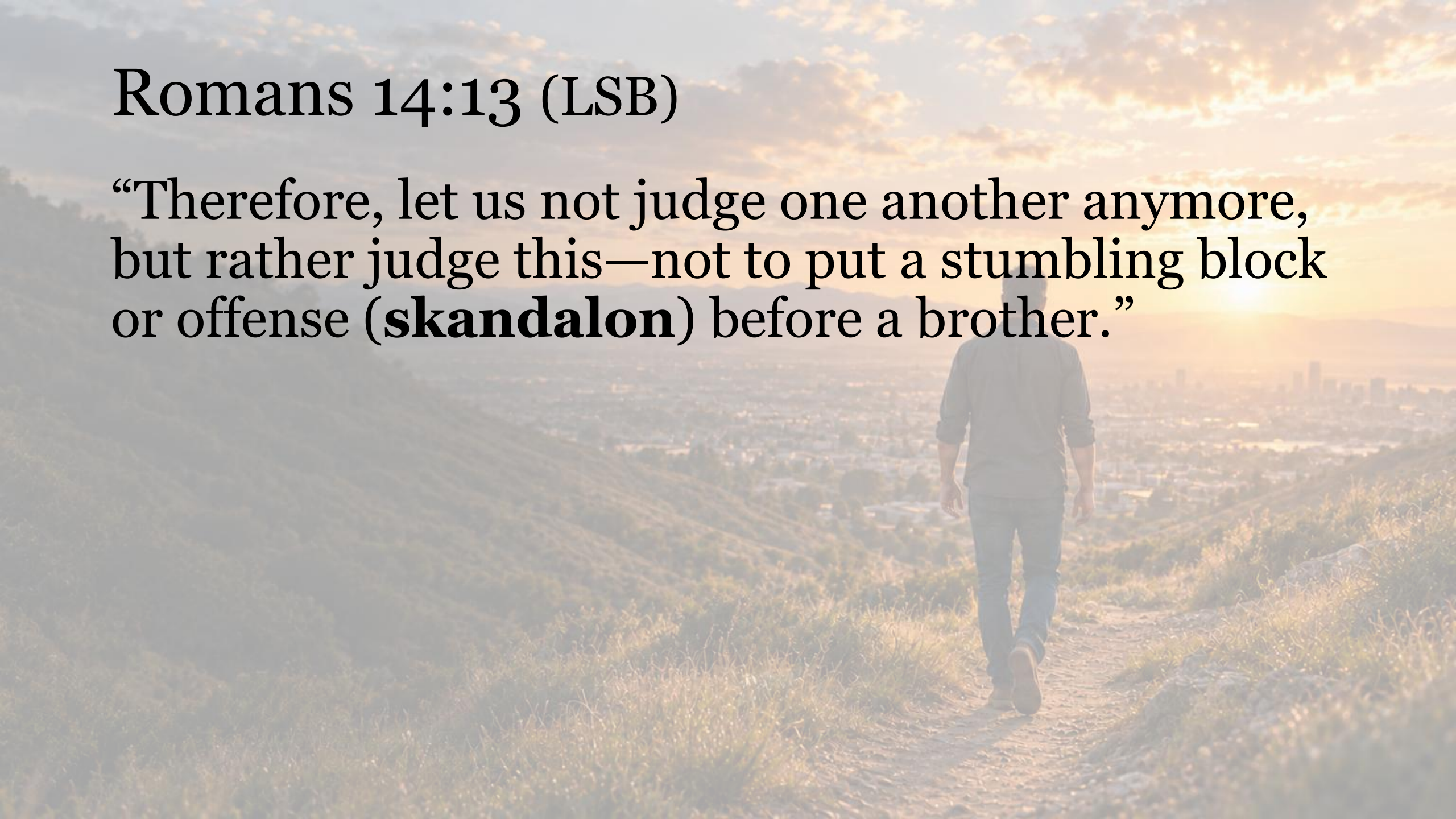
Matthew 18:7 (NKJV)

“Woe to the world because of offenses (**skandalons**)! For offenses must come, but woe to that man by whom the offense comes!”



Romans 14:13 (LSB)

“Therefore, let us not judge one another anymore, but rather judge this—not to put a stumbling block or offense (**skandalon**) before a brother.”



Matthew 18:21-22

- “Then Peter came to Him and asked, “Lord, how many times will my brother sin against me and I forgive him and let it go? Up to seven times?” Jesus answered him, “I say to you, not up to seven times, but seventy times seven.”



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