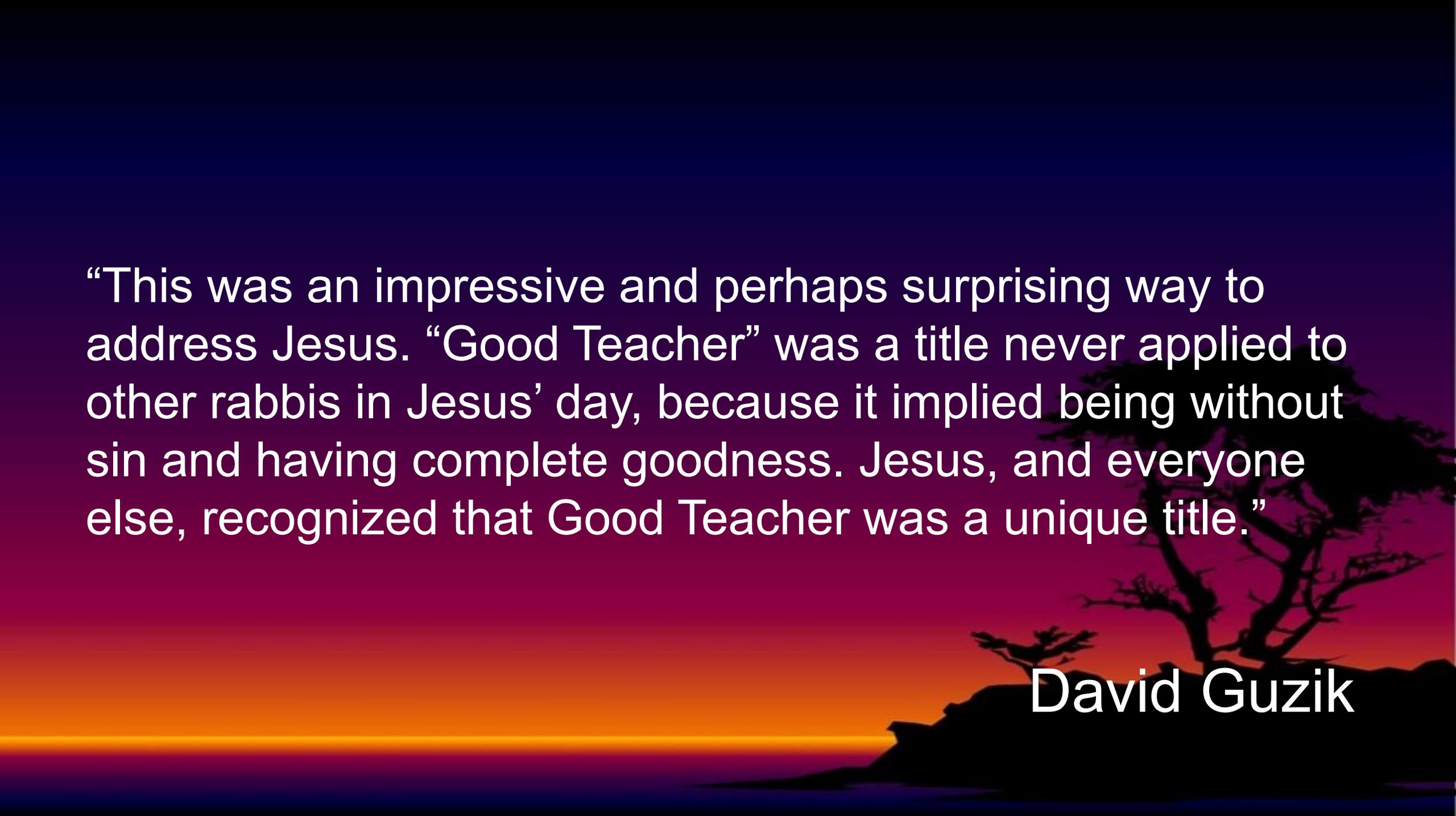


A wooden cross stands on a rocky mountain peak, silhouetted against a vibrant sunset sky. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a golden glow over the landscape. The sky is filled with soft, orange and yellow clouds, transitioning to a darker blue at the top. The mountains in the background are layered, with some peaks covered in snow or light-colored rock. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

Possible With God

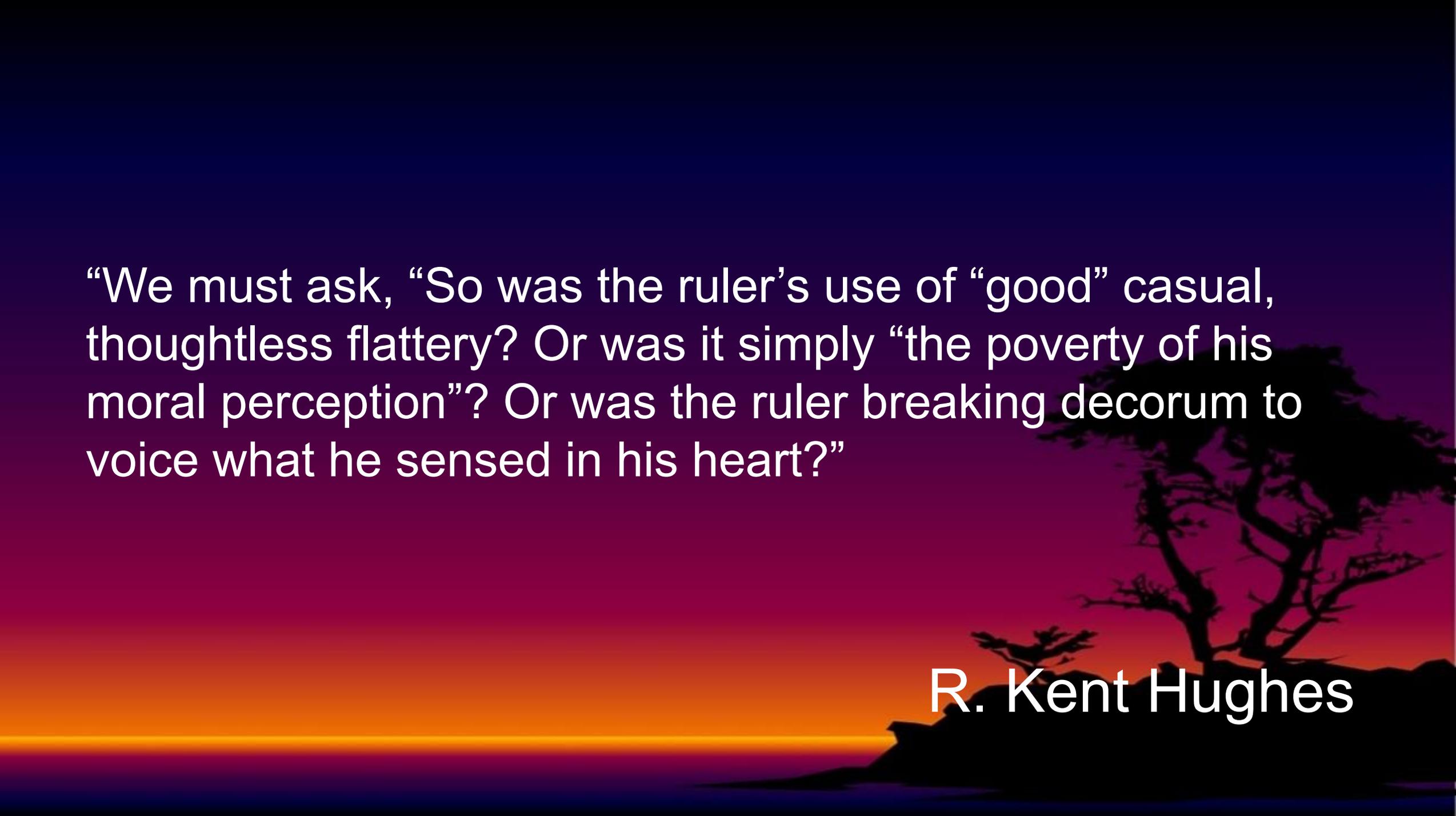
¹⁸ And a ruler questioned Him, saying, “Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁹ And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call Me good? No one is good except God alone.

Luke 18:18-34



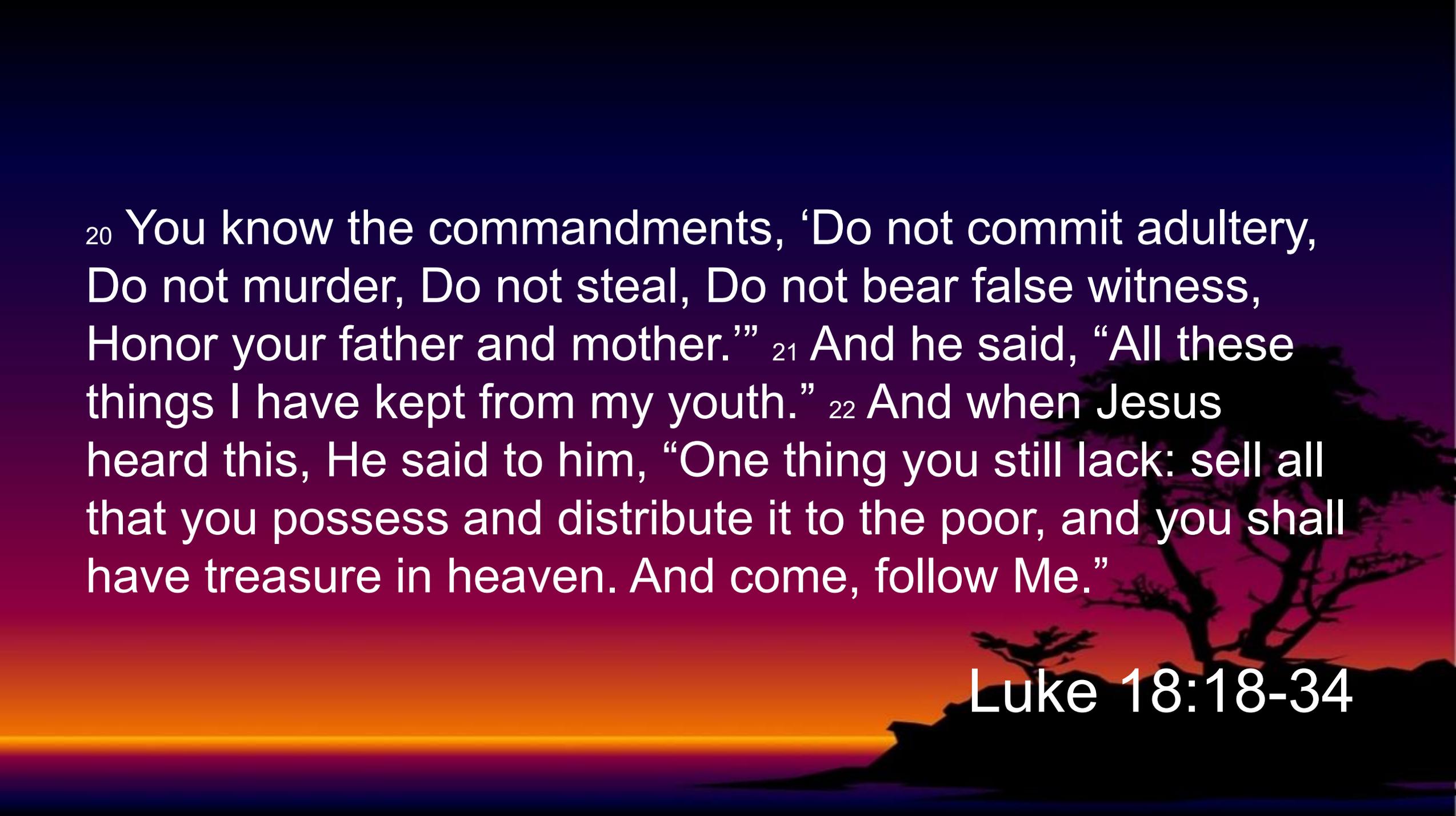
“This was an impressive and perhaps surprising way to address Jesus. “Good Teacher” was a title never applied to other rabbis in Jesus’ day, because it implied being without sin and having complete goodness. Jesus, and everyone else, recognized that Good Teacher was a unique title.”

David Guzik

The background of the slide features a vibrant sunset or sunrise. The sky transitions from a deep purple at the top to a bright orange and yellow near the horizon. On the right side, the dark silhouette of a tree with a thick trunk and sparse branches is visible against the colorful sky. The overall mood is contemplative and serene.

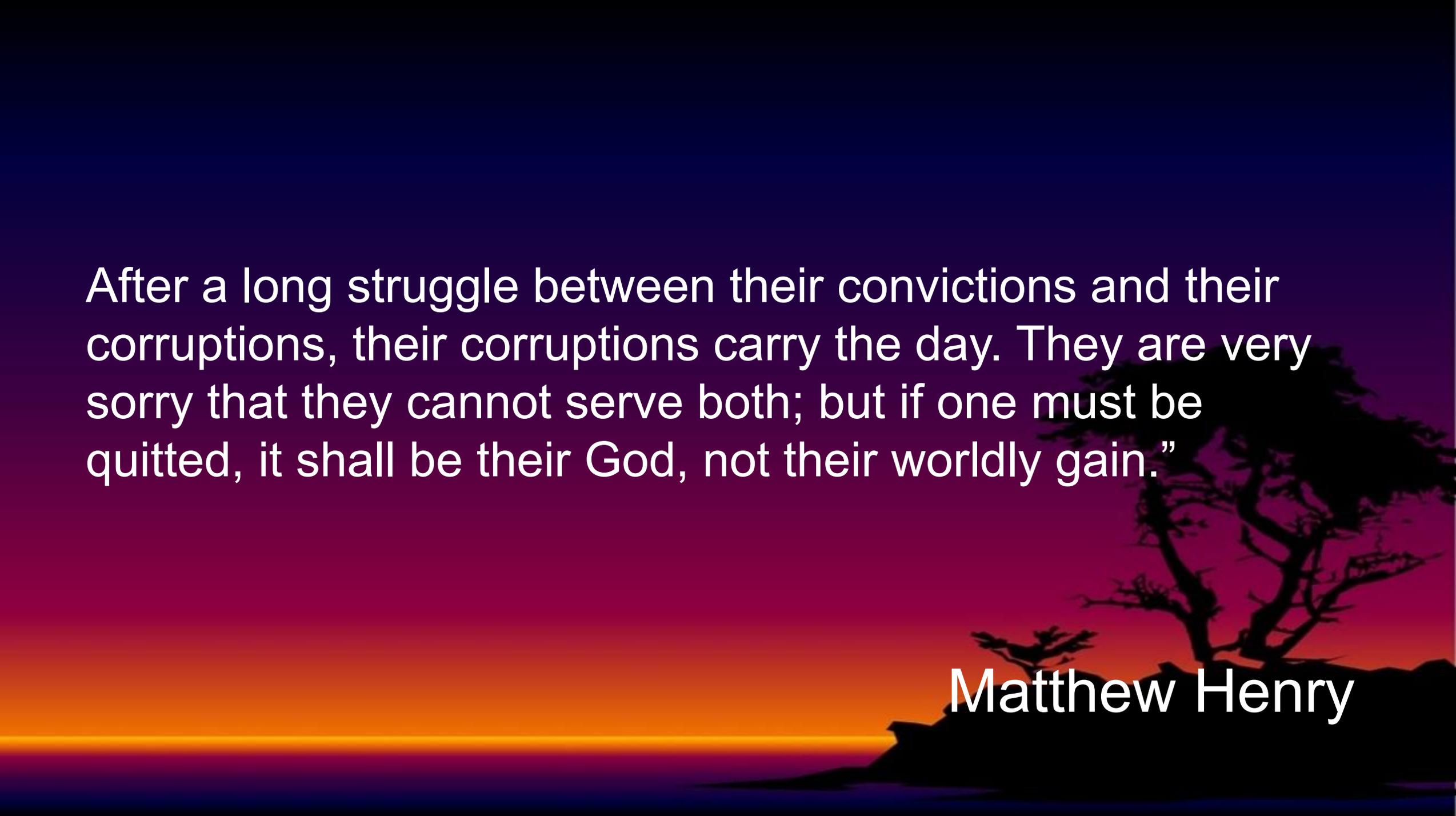
“We must ask, “So was the ruler’s use of “good” casual, thoughtless flattery? Or was it simply “the poverty of his moral perception”? Or was the ruler breaking decorum to voice what he sensed in his heart?”

R. Kent Hughes



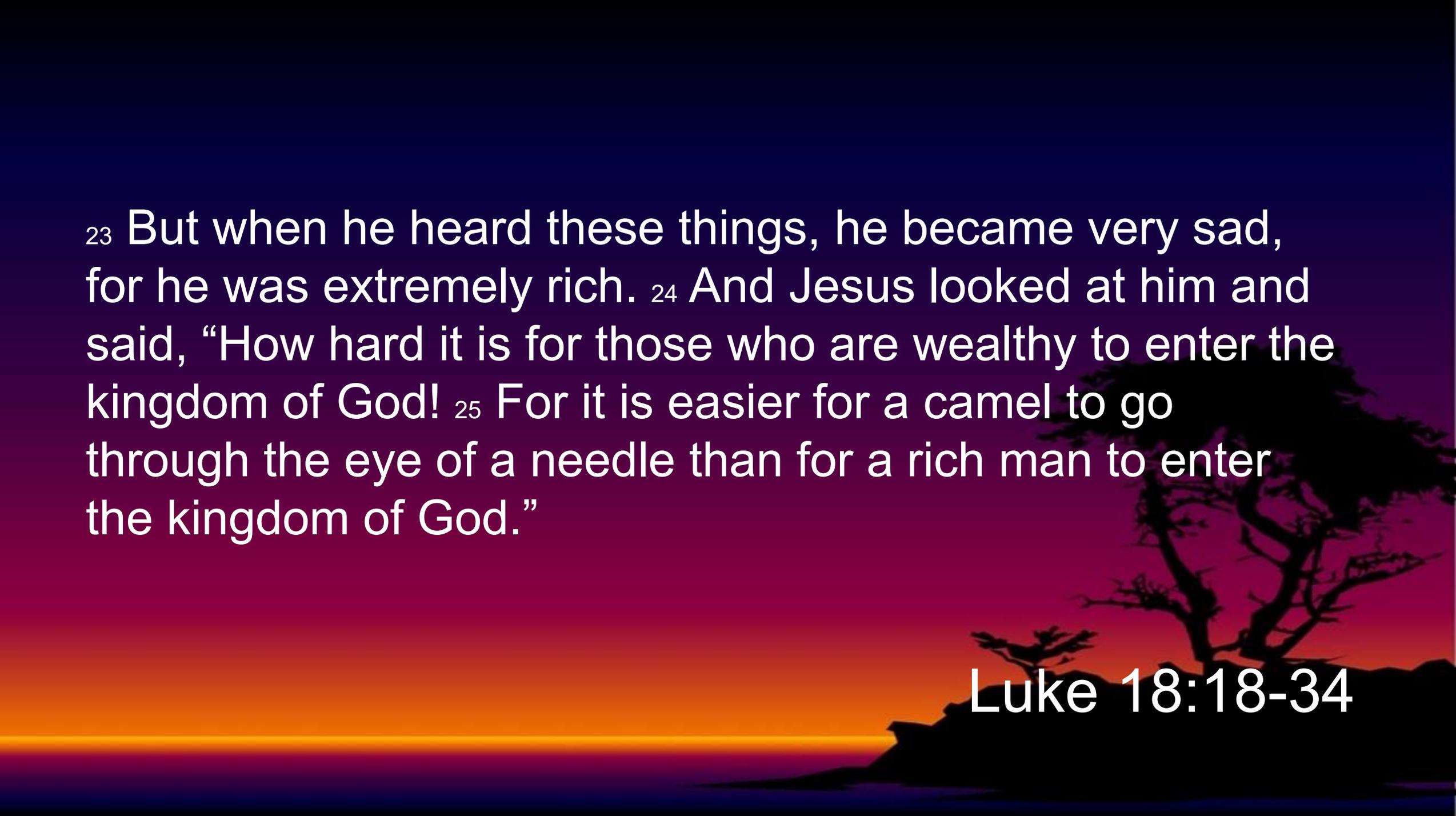
²⁰ You know the commandments, ‘Do not commit adultery, Do not murder, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother.’” ²¹ And he said, “All these things I have kept from my youth.” ²² And when Jesus heard this, He said to him, “One thing you still lack: sell all that you possess and distribute it to the poor, and you shall have treasure in heaven. And come, follow Me.”

Luke 18:18-34



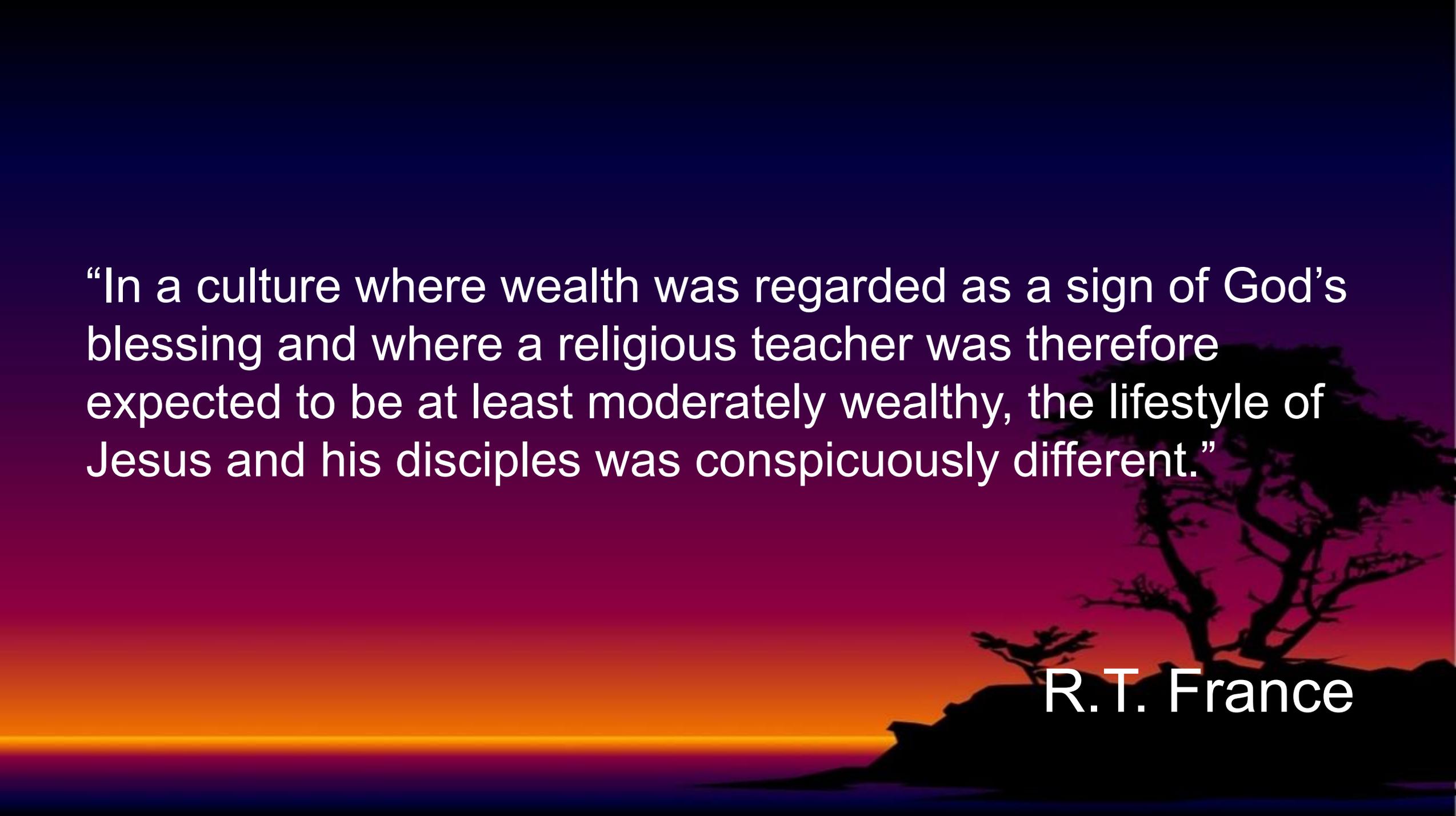
After a long struggle between their convictions and their corruptions, their corruptions carry the day. They are very sorry that they cannot serve both; but if one must be quitted, it shall be their God, not their worldly gain.”

Matthew Henry

A sunset scene with a silhouette of a tree on the right side. The sky transitions from a deep purple at the top to a bright orange and yellow near the horizon. The tree's silhouette is dark against the colorful background.

²³ But when he heard these things, he became very sad, for he was extremely rich. ²⁴ And Jesus looked at him and said, “How hard it is for those who are wealthy to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.”

Luke 18:18-34

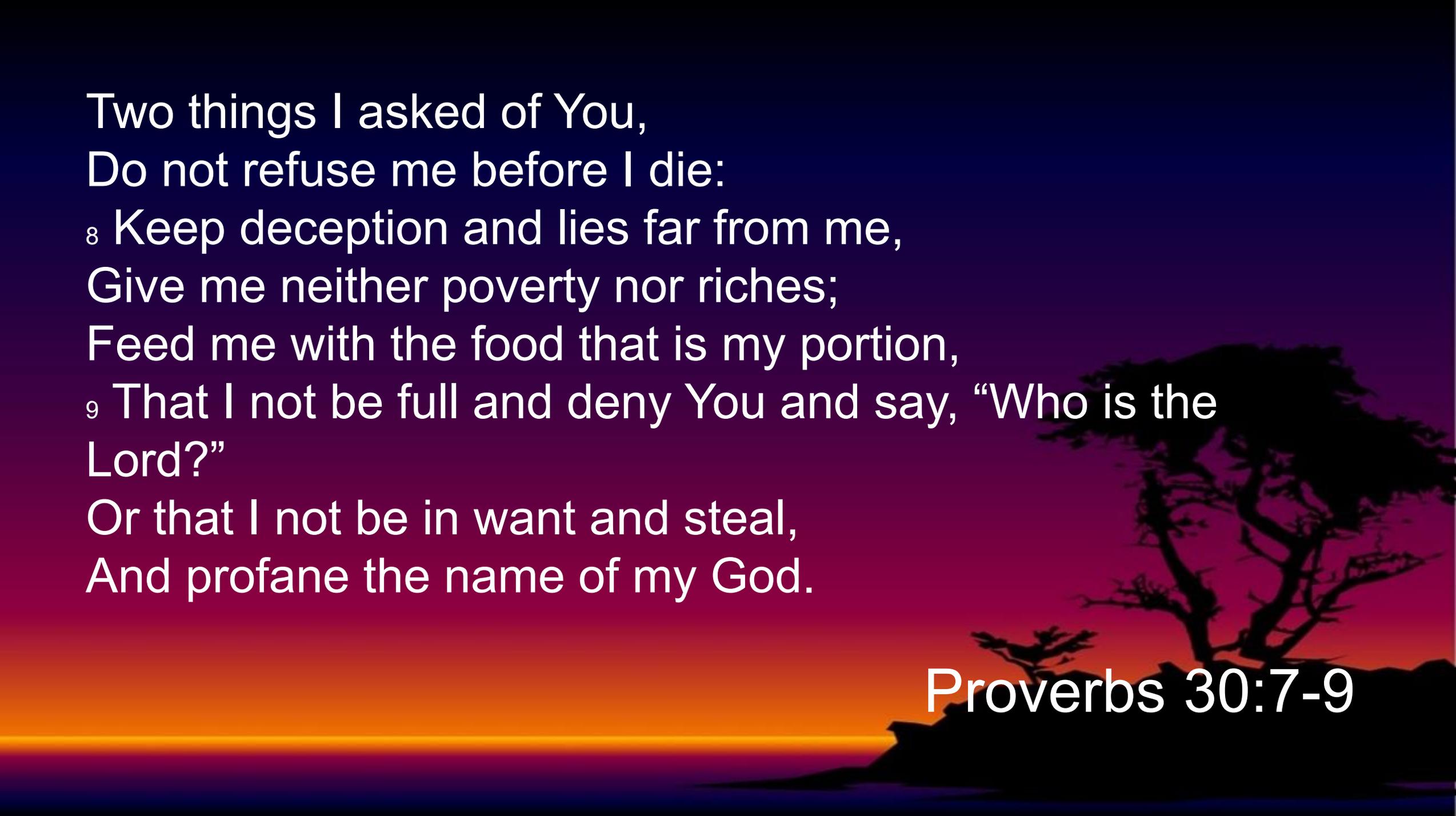


“In a culture where wealth was regarded as a sign of God’s blessing and where a religious teacher was therefore expected to be at least moderately wealthy, the lifestyle of Jesus and his disciples was conspicuously different.”

R.T. France

“The rich young ruler “came to the right Person, asked the right question, and received the right answer, (but) he made the wrong decision.”

Warren Wiersbe



Two things I asked of You,
Do not refuse me before I die:
8 Keep deception and lies far from me,
Give me neither poverty nor riches;
Feed me with the food that is my portion,
9 That I not be full and deny You and say, “Who is the
Lord?”
Or that I not be in want and steal,
And profane the name of my God.

Proverbs 30:7-9

²⁶ And those who heard it said, “Then who can be saved?”

²⁷ But He said, “The things that are impossible with people are possible with God.”

Luke 18:18-34

“²⁷ But He said, “The things that are impossible with people are possible with God.”

Luke 18:27

²⁸ And Peter said, “Behold, we have left all that is our own and followed You.” ²⁹ And He said to them, “Truly I say to you, there is no one who has left house or wife or brothers or parents or children, for the sake of the kingdom of God, ³⁰ who will not receive many times more at this time and in the age to come, eternal life.”

Luke 18:18-34

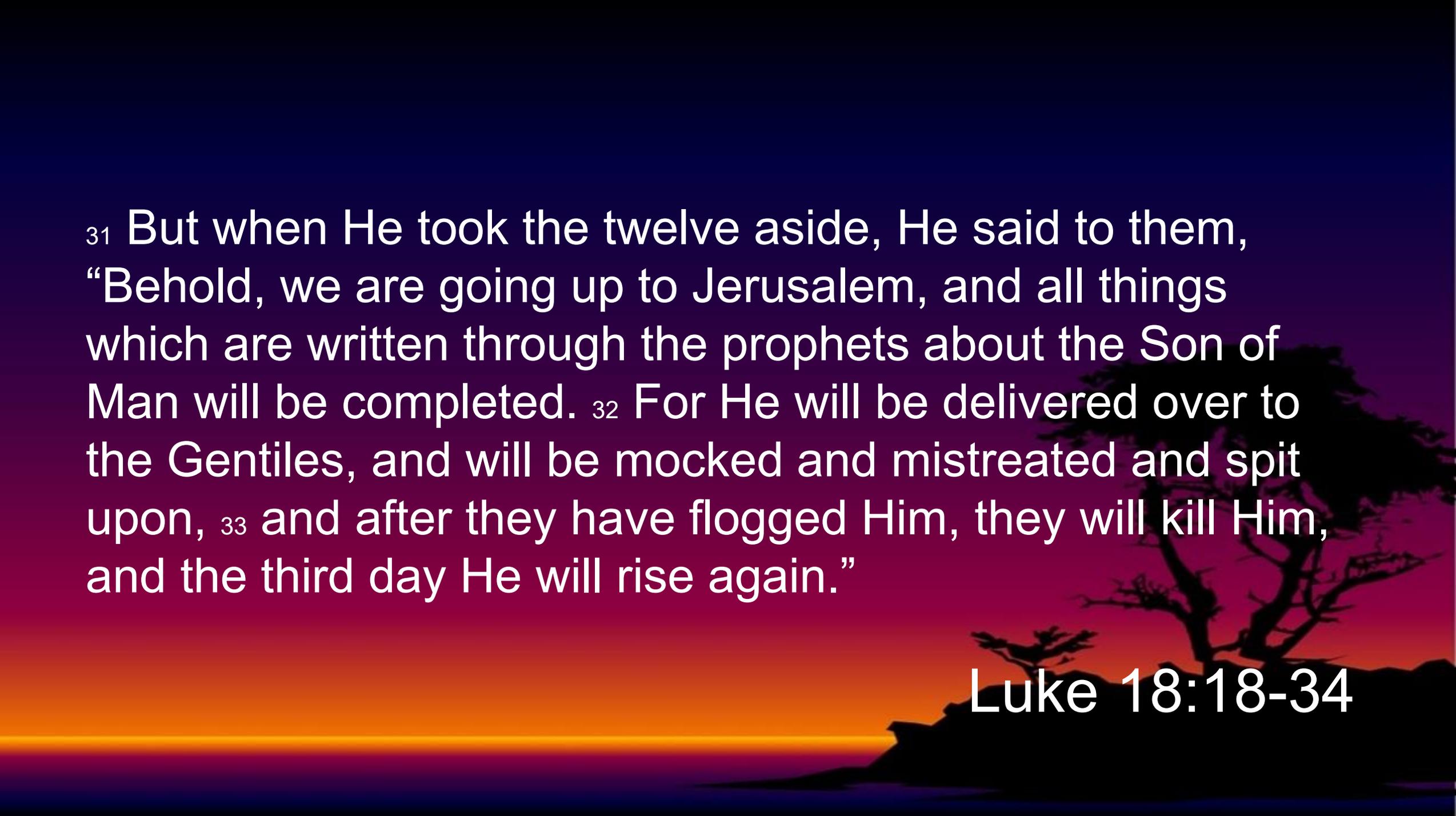
“¹¹ When they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed Him.

Luke 5:11

“²⁸ And he left everything behind, and got up and began to follow Him.

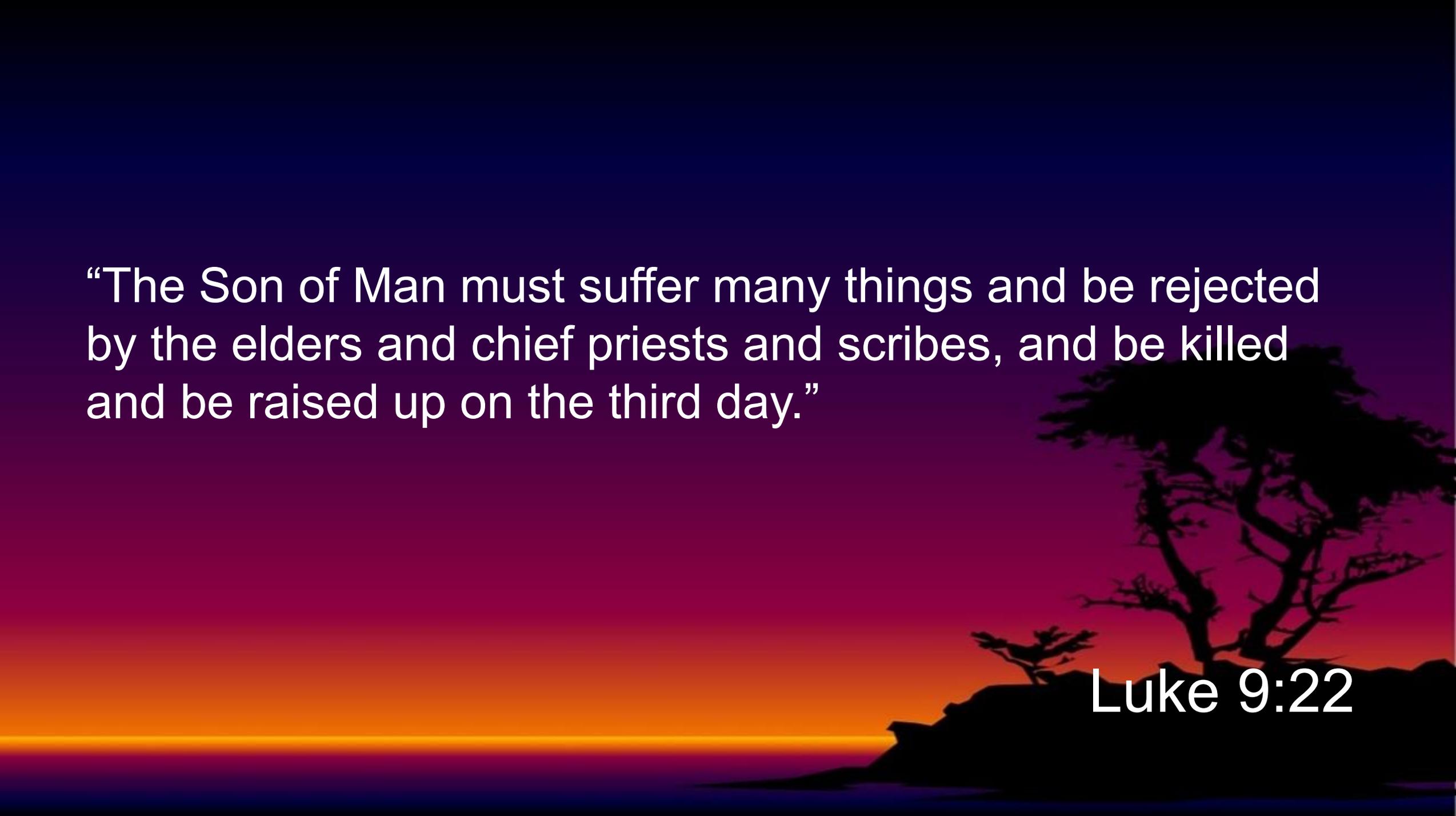
Luke 5:28

A sunset scene with a silhouette of a tree on a cliff. The sky transitions from a deep purple at the top to a bright orange and yellow at the horizon. The silhouette of a large, gnarled tree is prominent on the right side, perched on a rocky outcrop. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.



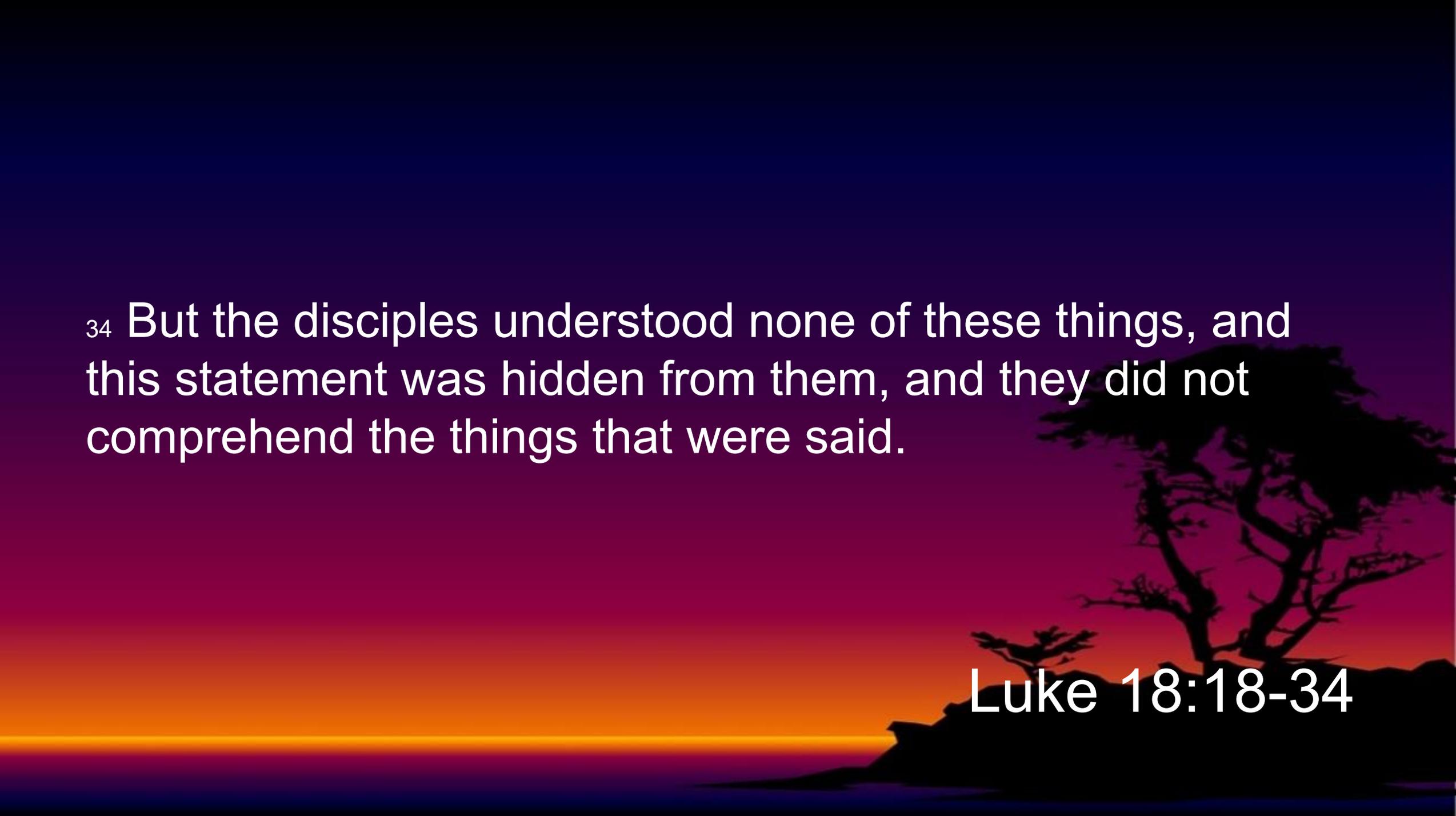
³¹ But when He took the twelve aside, He said to them, “Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and all things which are written through the prophets about the Son of Man will be completed. ³² For He will be delivered over to the Gentiles, and will be mocked and mistreated and spit upon, ³³ and after they have flogged Him, they will kill Him, and the third day He will rise again.”

Luke 18:18-34

A sunset scene with a silhouette of a tree on the right side. The sky transitions from a deep purple at the top to a bright orange and yellow near the horizon. The silhouette of a tree is prominent on the right side of the image.

“The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed and be raised up on the third day.”

Luke 9:22

A sunset scene with a silhouette of a tree on the right side. The sky transitions from a bright orange at the horizon to a deep purple at the top. The tree is dark and stands against the colorful background.

³⁴ But the disciples understood none of these things, and this statement was hidden from them, and they did not comprehend the things that were said.

Luke 18:18-34

But He said, “The things that are impossible with people are possible with God.”

Luke 18:27



Possible With God

A rich young ruler comes to see Jesus and calls Him good teacher. In those days the term good was reserved for God. He wants to know what he must do to be saved. Jesus tells him to sell everything and give to the poor and follow Him. When he walks away sad Jesus reminds the disciples that we can't earn our salvation, it is a gift from God.

Luke 18:18-34