



EXODUS

REDEMPTION & GLORY

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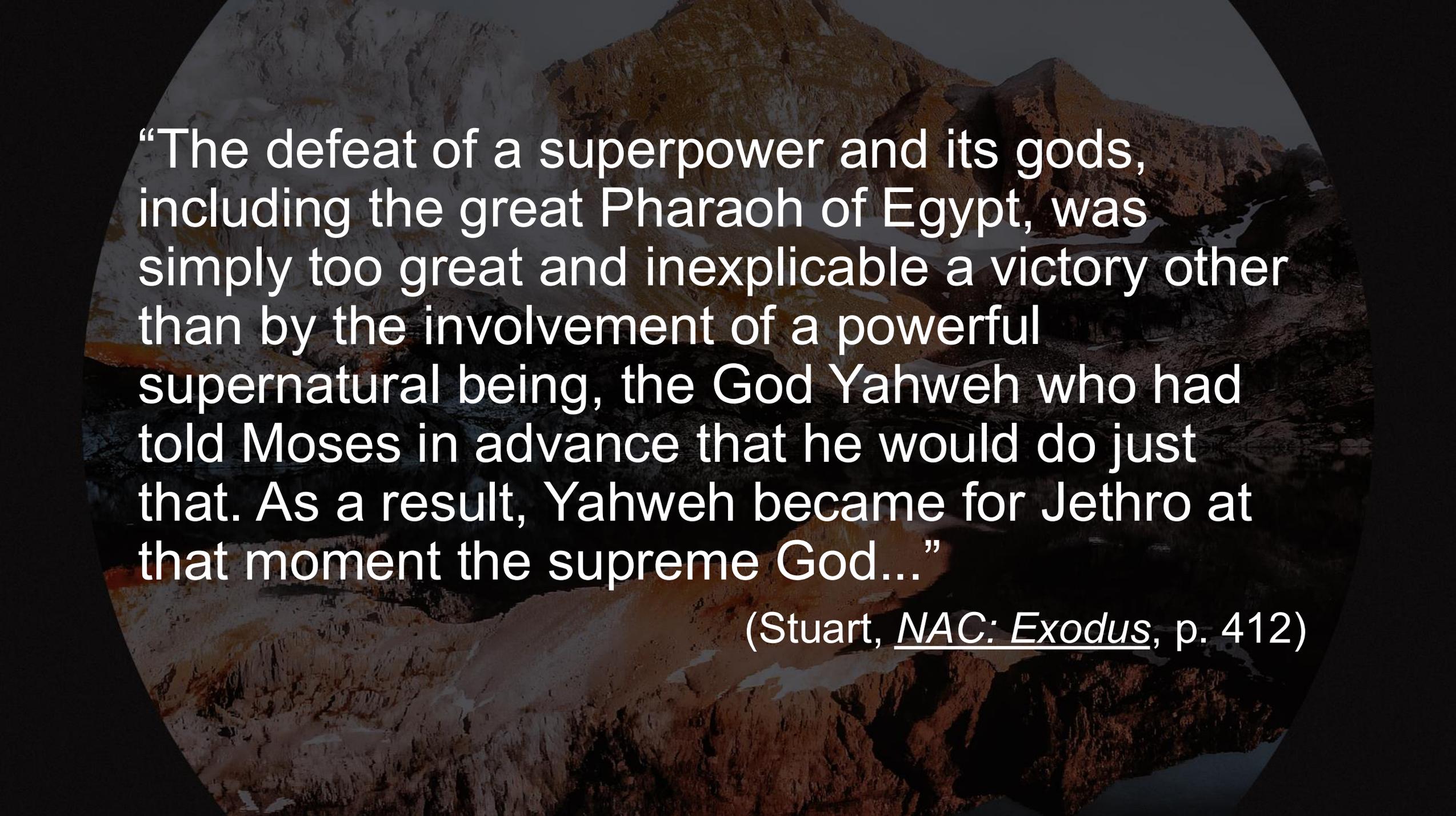
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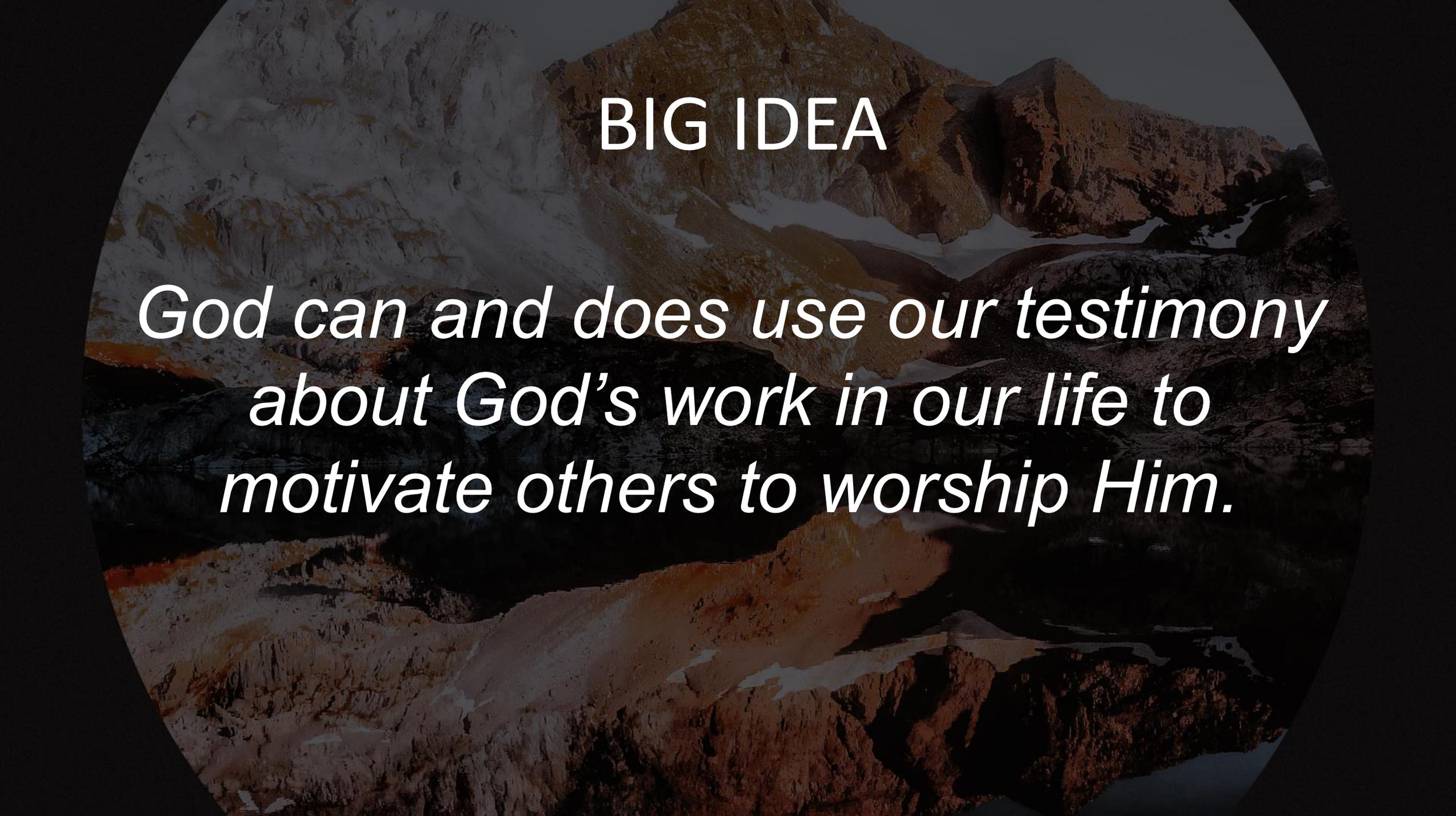


“The defeat of a superpower and its gods, including the great Pharaoh of Egypt, was simply too great and inexplicable a victory other than by the involvement of a powerful supernatural being, the God Yahweh who had told Moses in advance that he would do just that. As a result, Yahweh became for Jethro at that moment the supreme God...”

(Stuart, *NAC: Exodus*, p. 412)

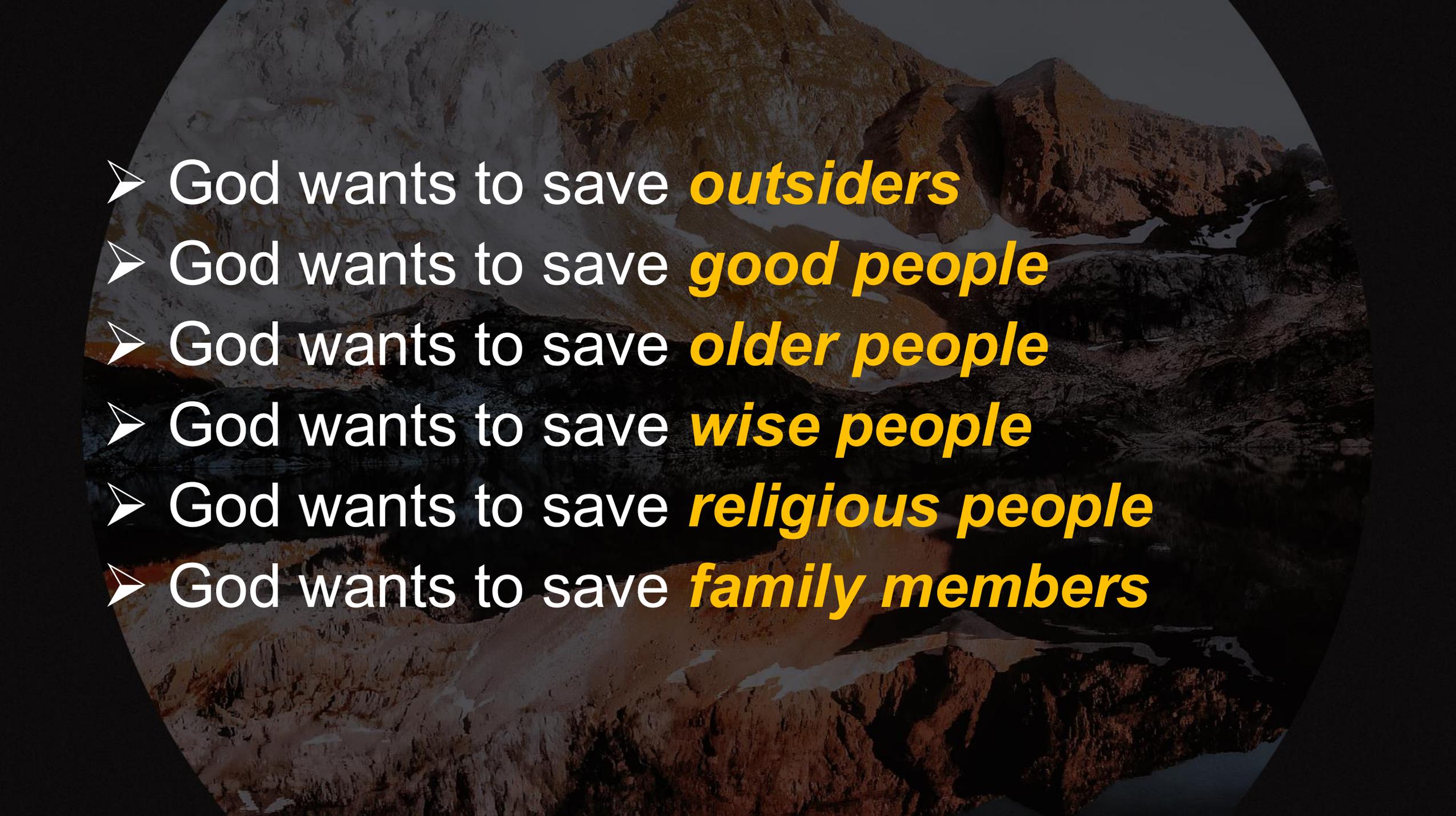
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 - God wants to save ***good people***
 - God wants to save ***older people***
 - God wants to save ***wise people***
 - God wants to save ***religious people***
 - God wants to save ***family members***



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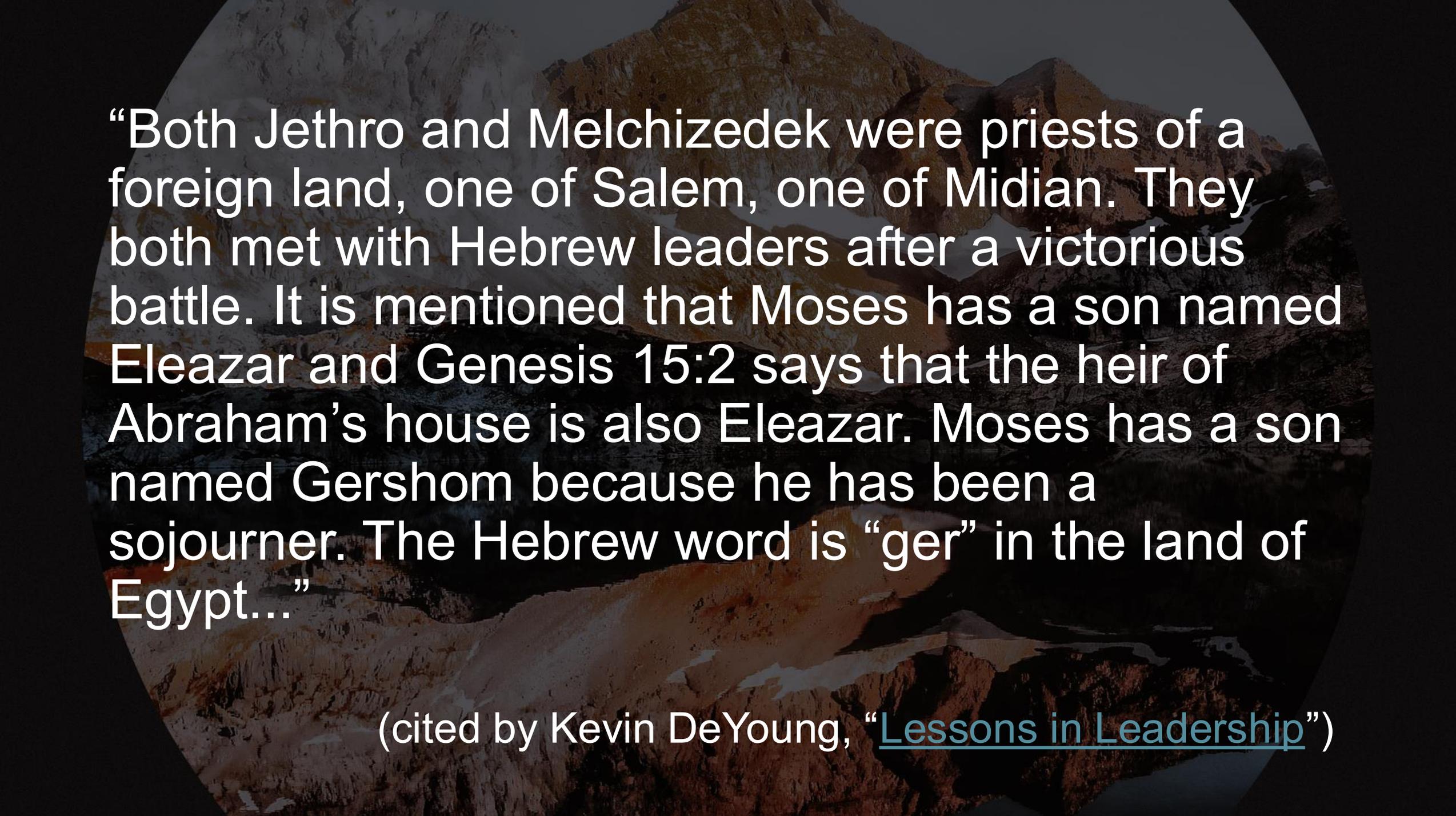
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*God's Work of
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Exodus 19-40

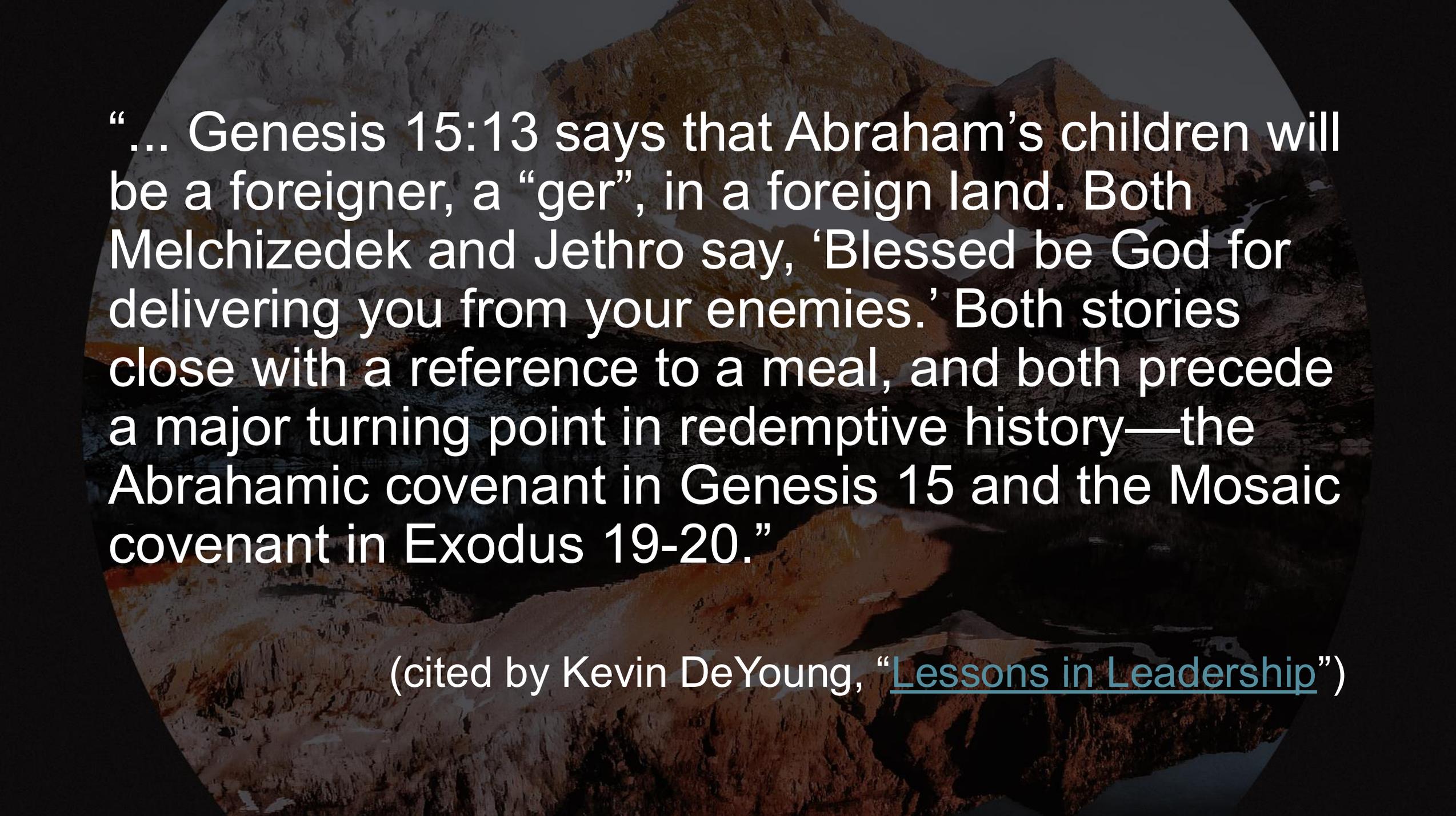
*God's Word of
Revelation*





“Both Jethro and Melchizedek were priests of a foreign land, one of Salem, one of Midian. They both met with Hebrew leaders after a victorious battle. It is mentioned that Moses has a son named Eleazar and Genesis 15:2 says that the heir of Abraham’s house is also Eleazar. Moses has a son named Gershom because he has been a sojourner. The Hebrew word is “ger” in the land of Egypt...”

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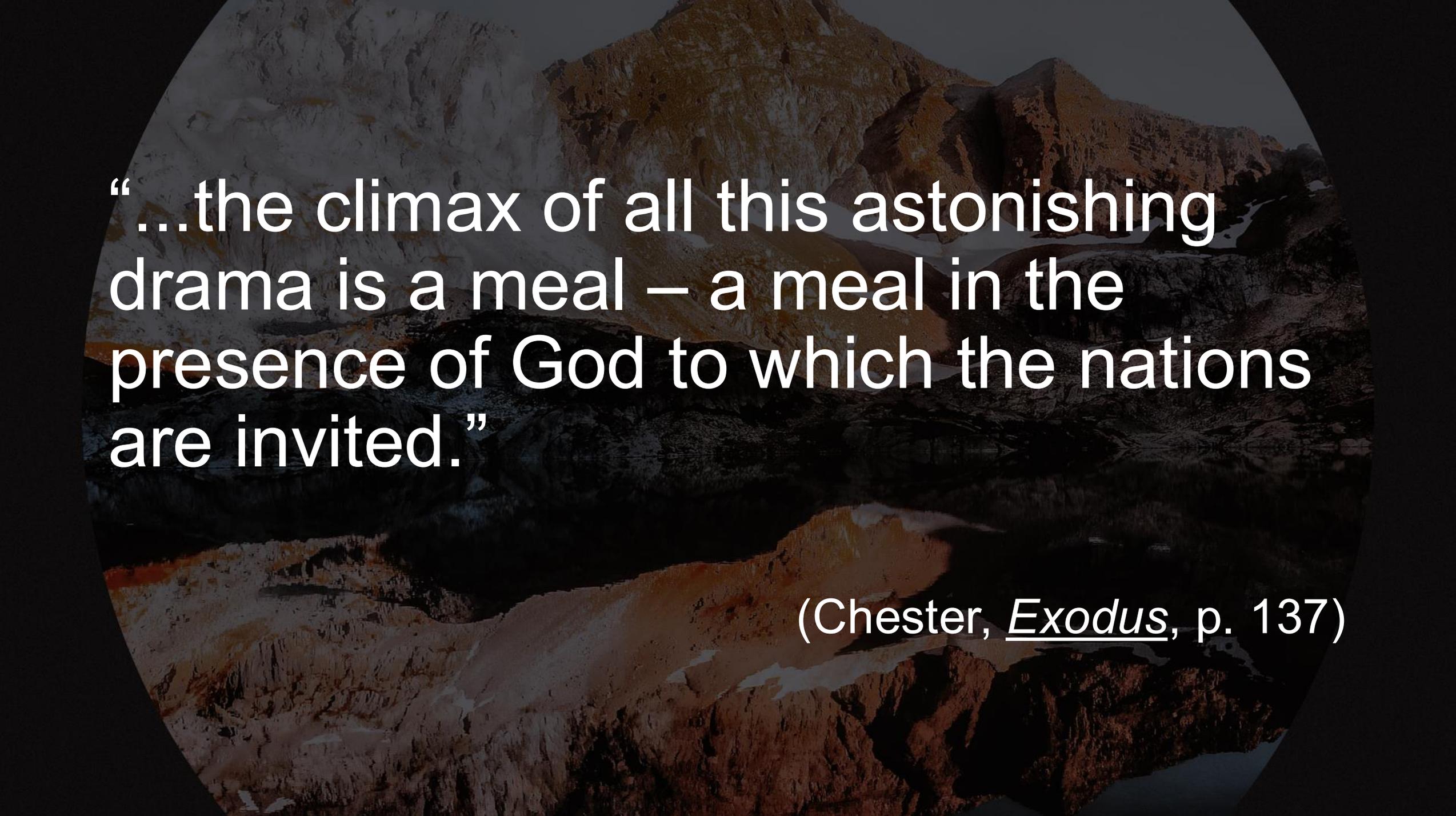


“... Genesis 15:13 says that Abraham’s children will be a foreigner, a “ger”, in a foreign land. Both Melchizedek and Jethro say, ‘Blessed be God for delivering you from your enemies.’ Both stories close with a reference to a meal, and both precede a major turning point in redemptive history—the Abrahamic covenant in Genesis 15 and the Mosaic covenant in Exodus 19-20.”

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Exodus 19:4-6

[4] ‘You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. [5] Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; [6] and **you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.**’ These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel.”



“...the climax of all this astonishing drama is a meal – a meal in the presence of God to which the nations are invited.”

(Chester, Exodus, p. 137)

Isaiah 25:6-9

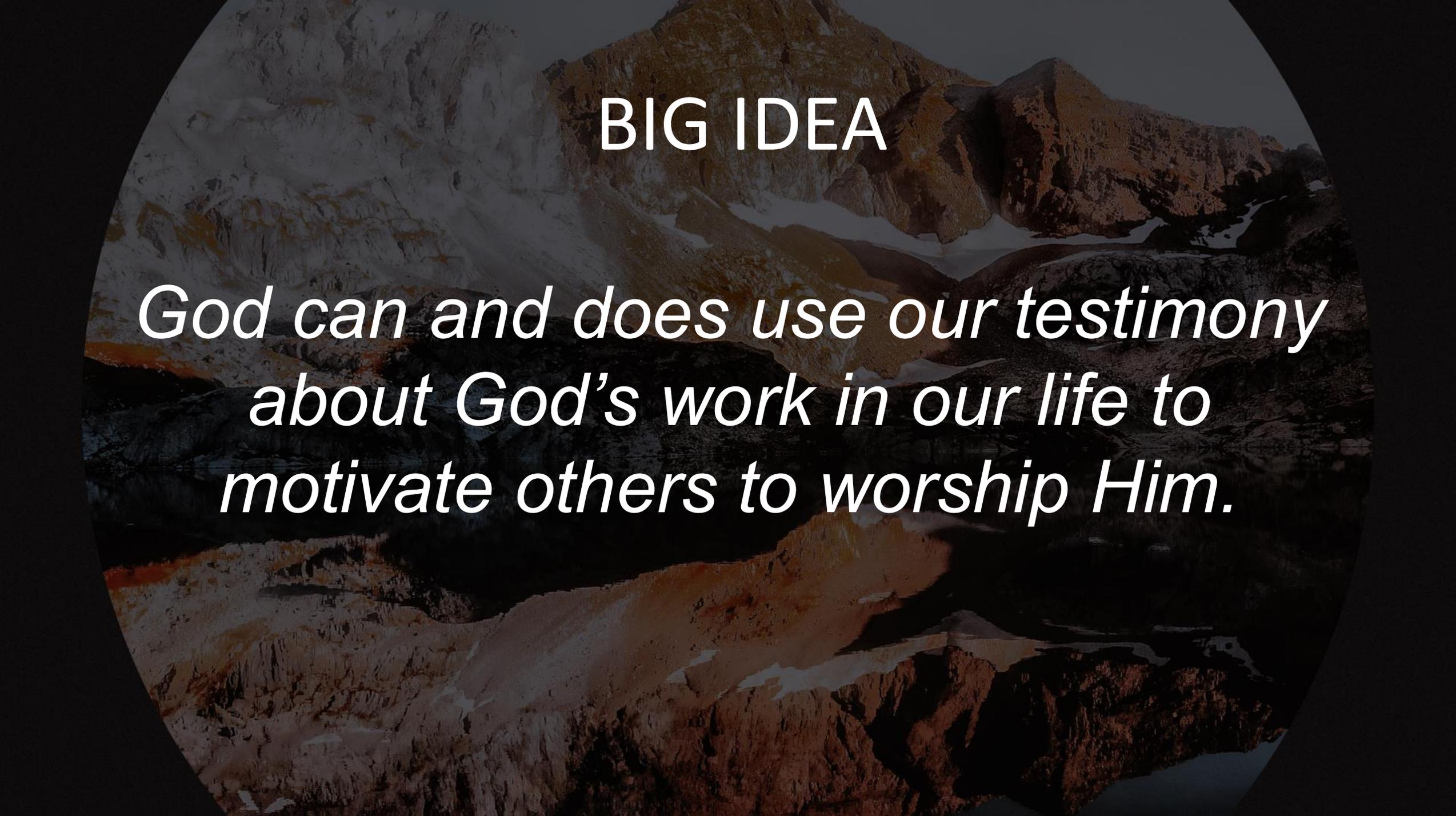
[6] On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined... [8] He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. [9] It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

Revelation 5:9-10

[9] And they sang a new song, saying, “Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, [10] and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth.”

Revelation 19:9

And the angel said to me, “Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.” And he said to me, “These are the true words of God.”



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