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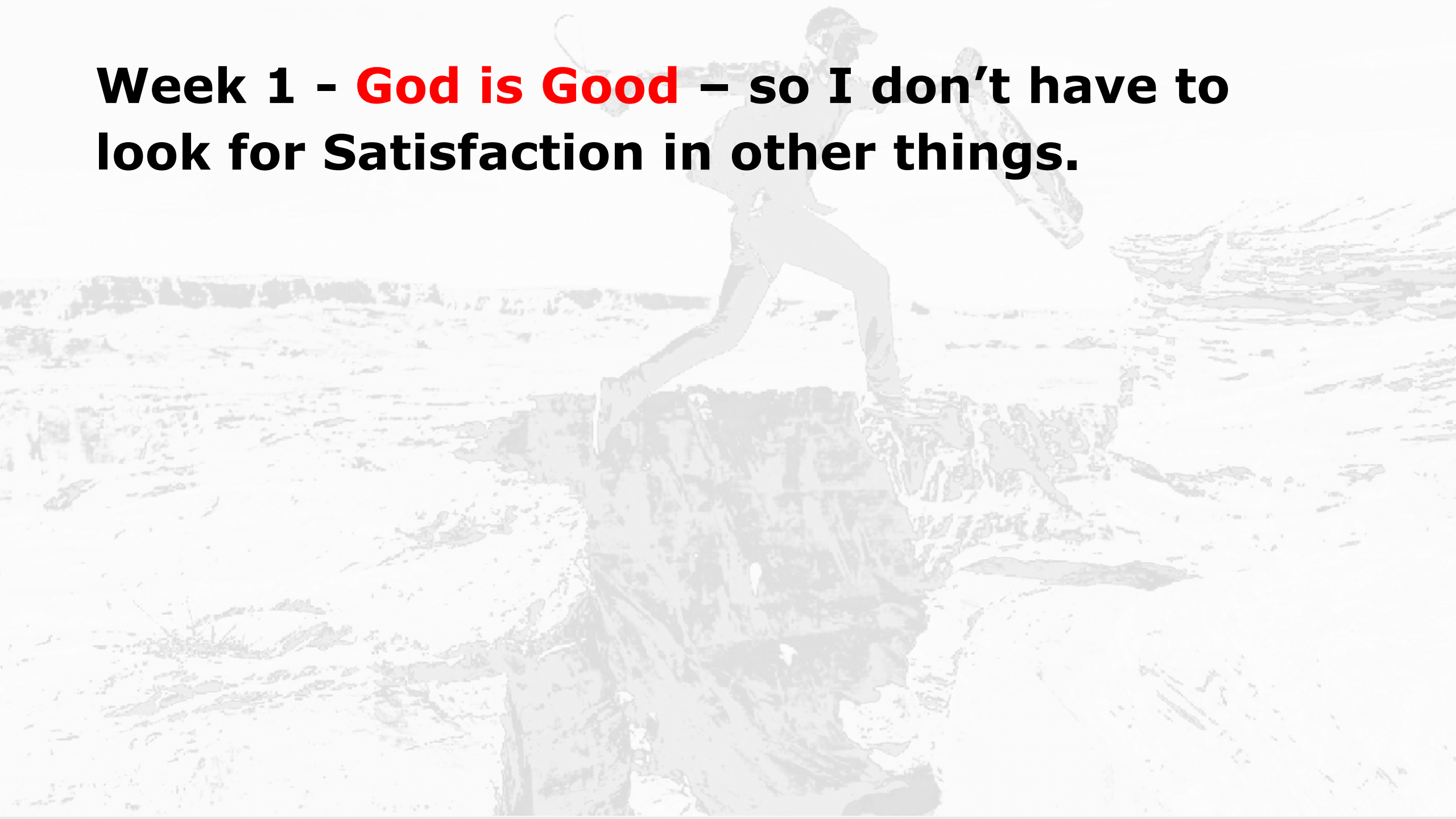
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4 TRUTHS ABOUT GOD:

HOPE FOR

CHANGE

**Week 1 - God is Good – so I don't have to
look for Satisfaction in other things.**



A person wearing a cap and a backpack is rappelling down a dark rock face. The person is positioned in the upper center of the frame, with their body angled towards the right. The background is a bright, overexposed landscape with some distant structures and a body of water. The overall image has a high-contrast, somewhat desaturated appearance.

Week 1 - God is Good – so I don't have to look for Satisfaction in other things.

Week 2 - God is Great – so I don't have to be in Control.

A person wearing a cap and a backpack is rappelling down a large, dark rock face. The person is positioned in the upper center of the frame, with their body angled towards the right. The background shows a vast, light-colored landscape, possibly a desert or a high-altitude plain, with some distant structures or trees. The overall scene is captured in a slightly desaturated, high-contrast style.

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Week 2 - God is Great – so I don't have to be in Control.

Week 3 - God is Glorious – so I don't have to Fear others.

A person in a dark jacket and cap is rappelling down a light-colored rock face. The person is positioned in the upper center of the frame, with their body angled towards the right. The background shows the texture of the rock and some distant, faint outlines of other rock formations.

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Week 4 - God is Gracious – so I don't have to Prove ourselves.



Psalm 145

³ **Great** is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.
⁶ They tell of the power of your awesome works— and I will proclaim your **great** deeds.



Isaiah 40: 12.

God marked off the heavens with the span of his hand.

A man wearing a cap and a jacket stands on a rocky cliff, holding a fishing rod and a large fish. In the background, a boat is visible on the water. The scene is set in a coastal or fishing area.

His sovereign control!

A person wearing a cap and a backpack is running on a rocky, uneven path. The person is holding a long object, possibly a fishing rod or a tool, in their right hand. The background shows a vast, open landscape with mountains and a clear sky. The overall scene is bright and somewhat washed out.

Ps103:19

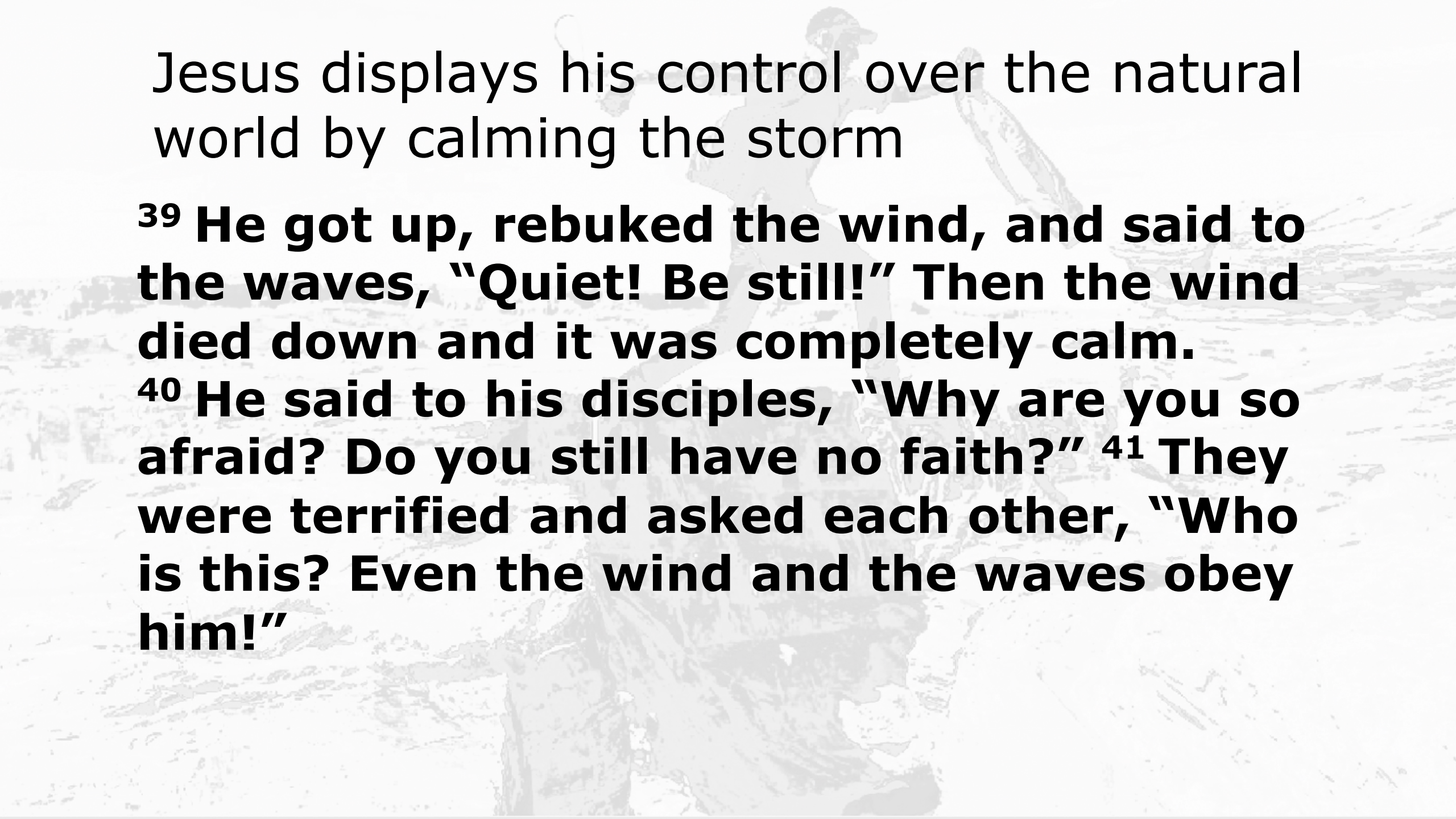
**"The LORD has made the heavens his throne;
from there he rules over everything"**



Jesus displays his control over the natural world by calming the storm

³⁵ That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side."³⁶ Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat...

³⁷ A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped.³⁸ Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?"



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39 He got up, rebuked the wind, and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

40 He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?" 41 They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

Jesus displays his control over the spiritual world by restoring a Demon-Possessed Man

5 They went across the lake to the region of the Gerasenes. ² When Jesus got out of the boat, a man with an impure spirit came from the tombs to meet him... ⁴ For he had often been chained hand and foot, but he tore the chains apart and broke the irons on his feet. No one was strong enough to subdue him. ⁵ Night and day among the tombs and in the hills, he would cry out and cut himself with stones.

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⁶ When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and fell on his knees in front of him. ⁷ He shouted at the top of his voice, “What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? In God’s name don’t torture me!” ⁸ For Jesus had said to him, “Come out of this man, you impure spirit!” ... and the impure spirits came out and went into the pigs.



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The herd, about two thousand in number, rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned...¹⁷ Then the people began to plead with Jesus to leave their region.

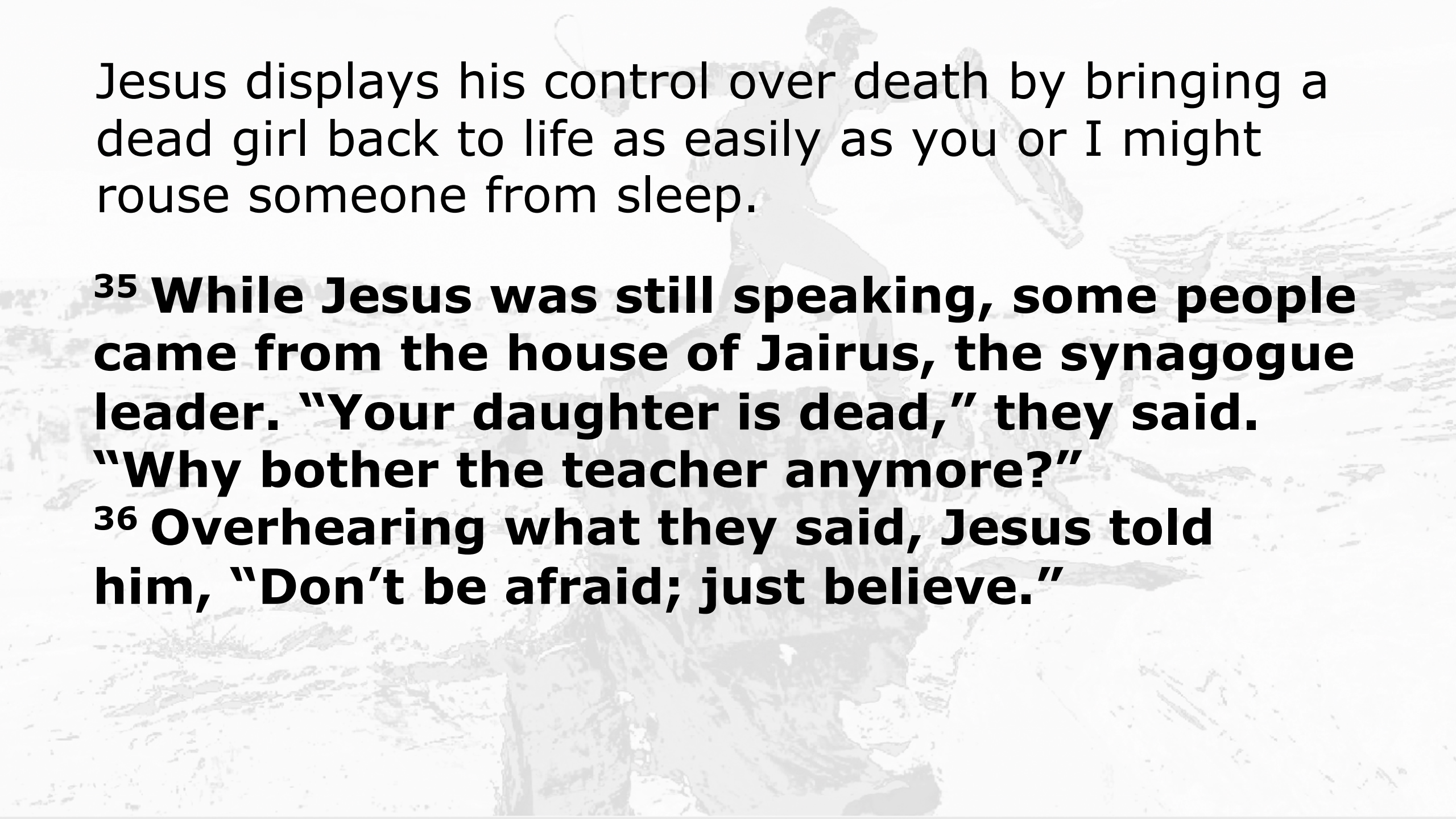
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2⁵ And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years. 2⁶ She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors and had spent all she had, yet instead of getting better she grew worse. 2⁷ When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, 2⁸ because she thought, "If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed."



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29 Immediately her bleeding stopped, and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering. 33 Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, trembling with fear, told him the whole truth. 34 He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering."

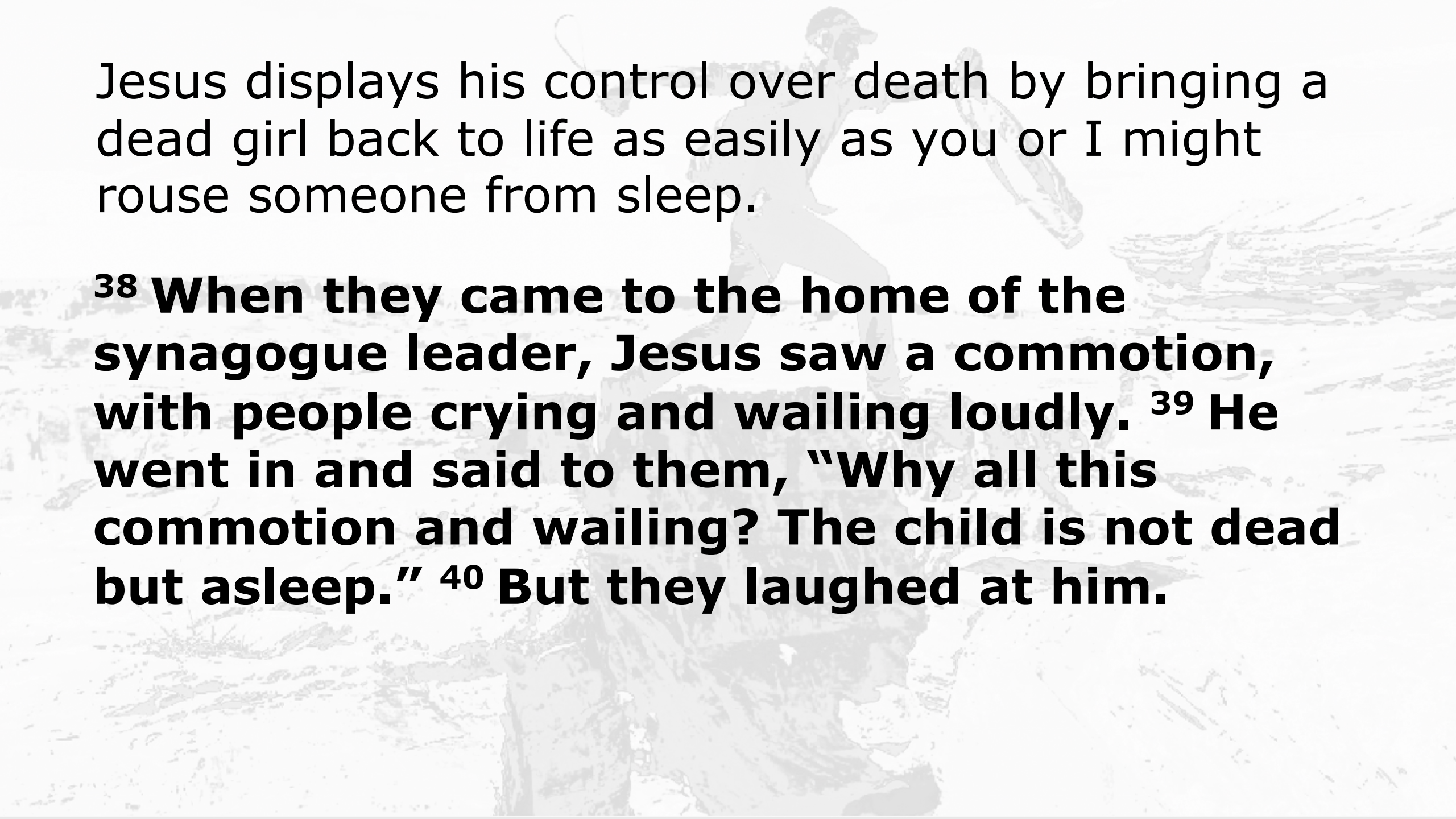


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35 While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. “Your daughter is dead,” they said.

“Why bother the teacher anymore?”

36 Overhearing what they said, Jesus told him, “Don’t be afraid; just believe.”



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³⁸ When they came to the home of the synagogue leader, Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly. ³⁹ He went in and said to them, “Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is not dead but asleep.” ⁴⁰ But they laughed at him.

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After he put them all out, he took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him and went in where the child was. ⁴¹ He took her by the hand and said to her, "*Talitha koum!*" (which means "Little girl, I say to you, get up!"). ⁴² Immediately the girl stood up and began to walk around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished.

A man in a cap and shirt is running across a rocky cliffside. He is holding a fishing rod in his right hand and a large fish in his left hand. The background shows a vast, open landscape with a body of water in the distance.

The Big Idea

God is Great - so I don't have to be in control.

7 glorious realities about God's sovereign control

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God's control of all things ensures that our circumstances ***"work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose."***

Romans 8:28

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2. Because God is great and in control, I can trust Him for my children and grandchildren

"The children of your servants shall dwell secure; their offspring shall be established before you." Psalm 102:28

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3. Because God is great and in control, I can forgive and love those who sin against me.

"you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus, he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

Genesis 50:18-21

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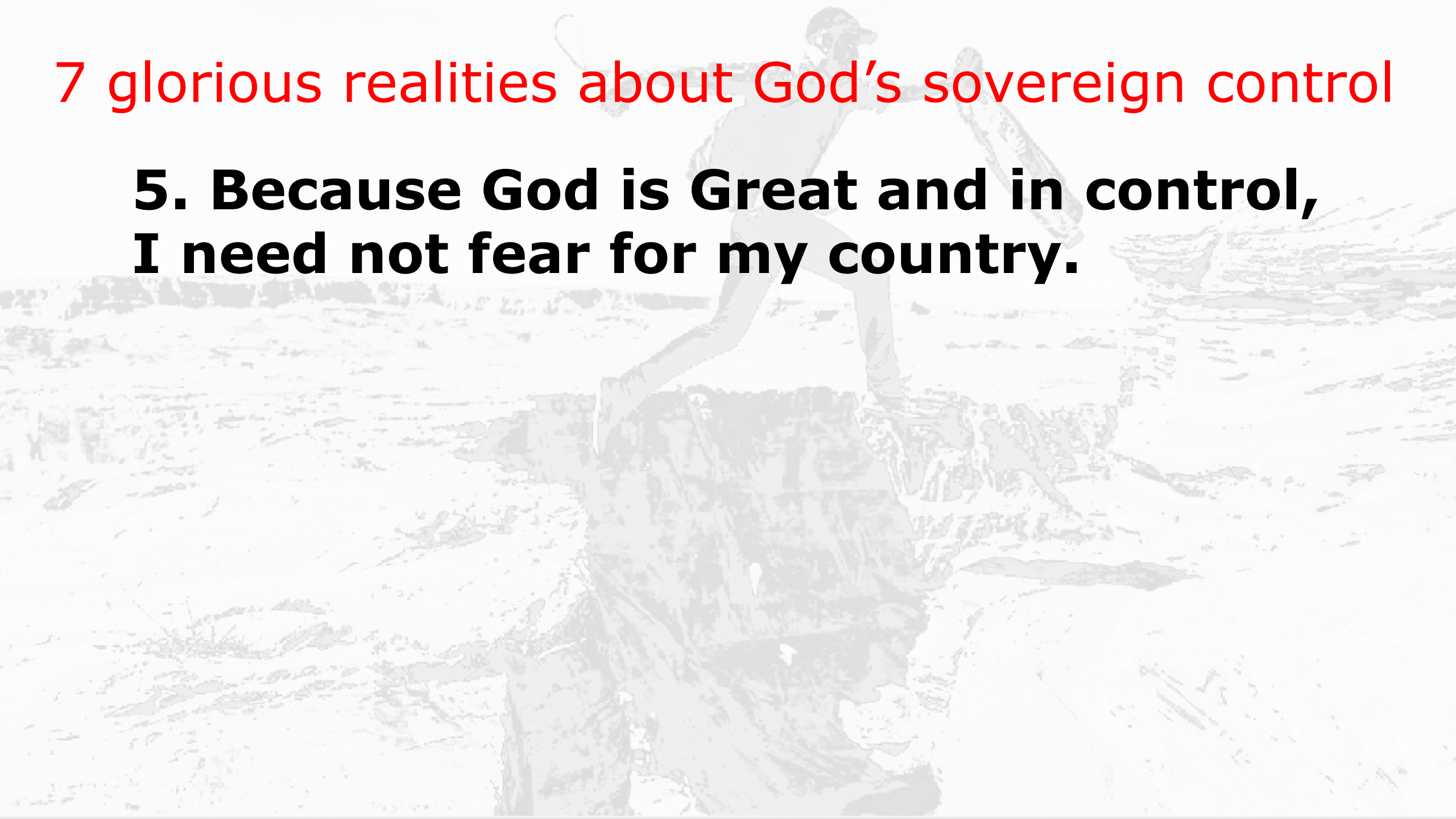
4. Because God is Great and in control over everything, I can pray in faith

Surely the arm of the LORD is not too short to save, nor His ear too dull to hear.

Isaiah 59:1

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**5. Because God is Great and in control,
I need not fear for my country.**



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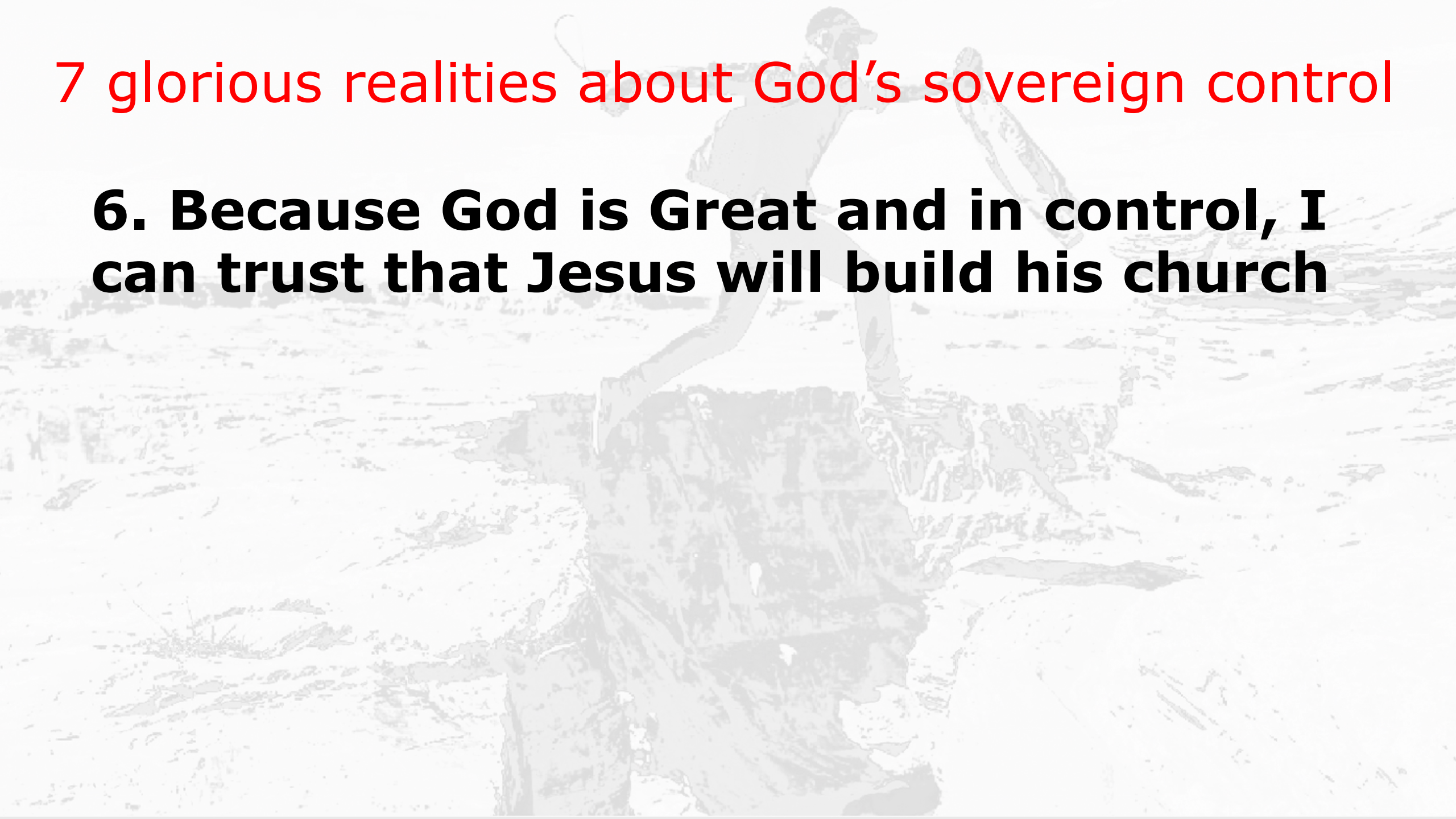
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"He changes times and seasons; he removes kings and sets up kings; he gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding"

Daniel 2:21

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6. Because God is Great and in control, I can trust that Jesus will build his church

"I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Matthew 16:18

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7. Because of God's control, I can trust Him for my future

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Jeremiah 29:11

A grayscale photograph of a person walking along a rocky coastline. The person is wearing a cap, a backpack, and is carrying a surfboard under their arm and a bag in their other hand. The background shows a vast, rocky landscape under a bright sky.

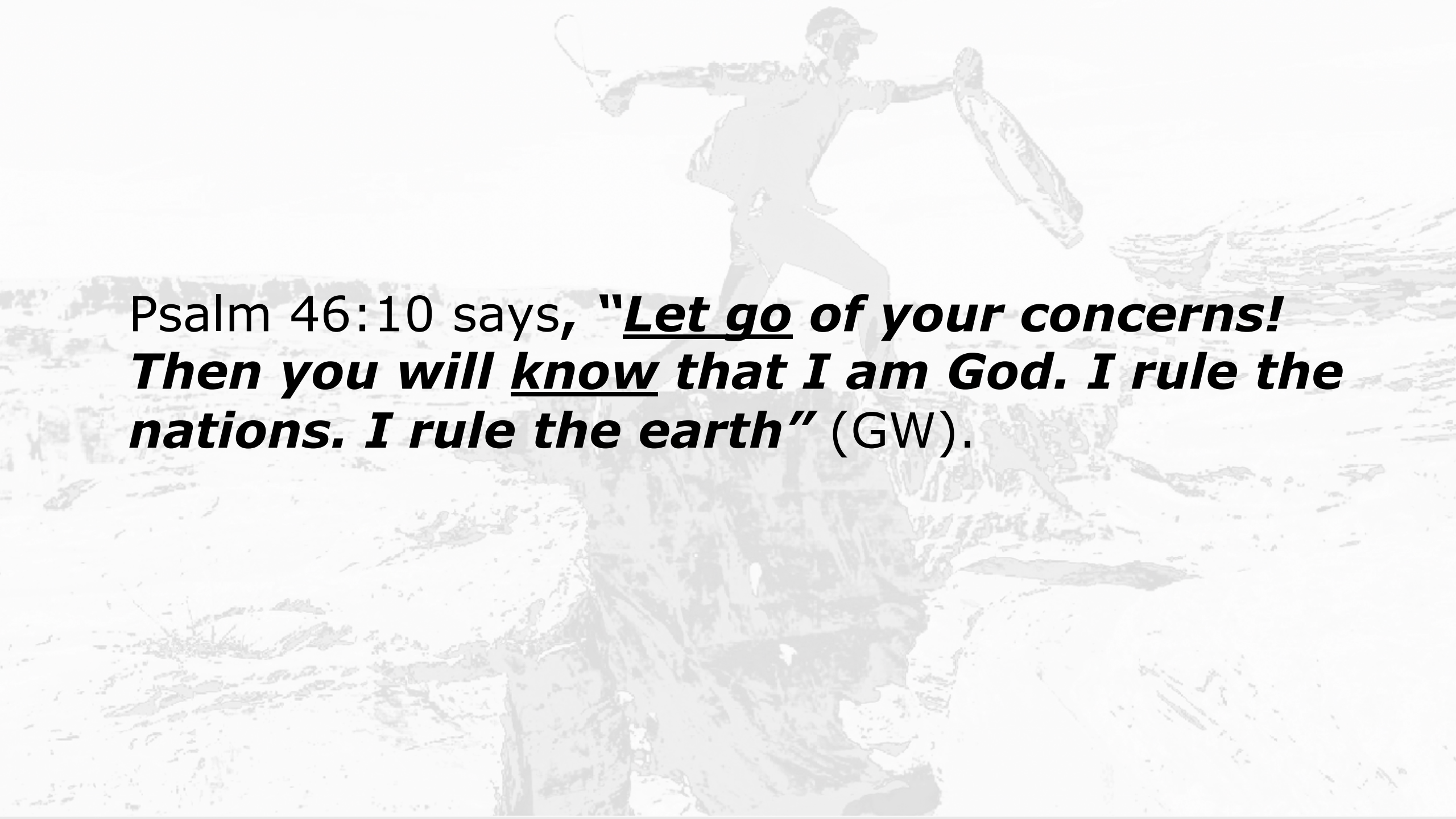
We Need To REST In It!

A man wearing a cap and a backpack is running on a rocky, uneven path. He is holding a fishing rod in his right hand and a large fish in his left hand. The background shows a hazy, mountainous landscape. The text is overlaid on the lower half of the image.

“Every sin is a finger waging accusation against God that says I can't trust you to come through for me!”



**In a recent survey:
43 percent of
people wouldn't
trust it to drive
safely, And 16%
of people are
"horrified"
by the idea of being
driven in one.**

A person wearing a cap and a backpack is running on a rocky, uneven trail. They are holding a water bottle in their right hand and a small bag or piece of gear in their left hand. The background shows a hazy, mountainous landscape.

Psalm 46:10 says, "**Let go of your concerns! Then you will know that I am God. I rule the nations. I rule the earth**" (GW).

A grayscale photograph of a man in a cap and jacket running across a rocky cliff. He is holding a fishing rod in his right hand and a large fish in his left hand. The background shows a vast, open landscape with rolling hills and a bright sky. The text "You need to speak truth to your hearts" is overlaid in the center of the image.

You need to speak truth to your hearts

A person wearing a cap and a jacket stands on a rocky outcrop, arms outstretched. They are holding a fishing rod in their right hand and a large fish in their left hand. The background shows a vast, open landscape with rolling hills and a clear sky.

You need to speak truth to your hearts

***"Lord you are Great - so I don't have
to be in Control."***