

"Wisdom in Your Trials"

James 1:5-11

HOW DO YOU MOST OFTEN PRAY?

(% pray at least once in the past 3 months)

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Silently by myself



Audibly by myself



Audibly with another person or group



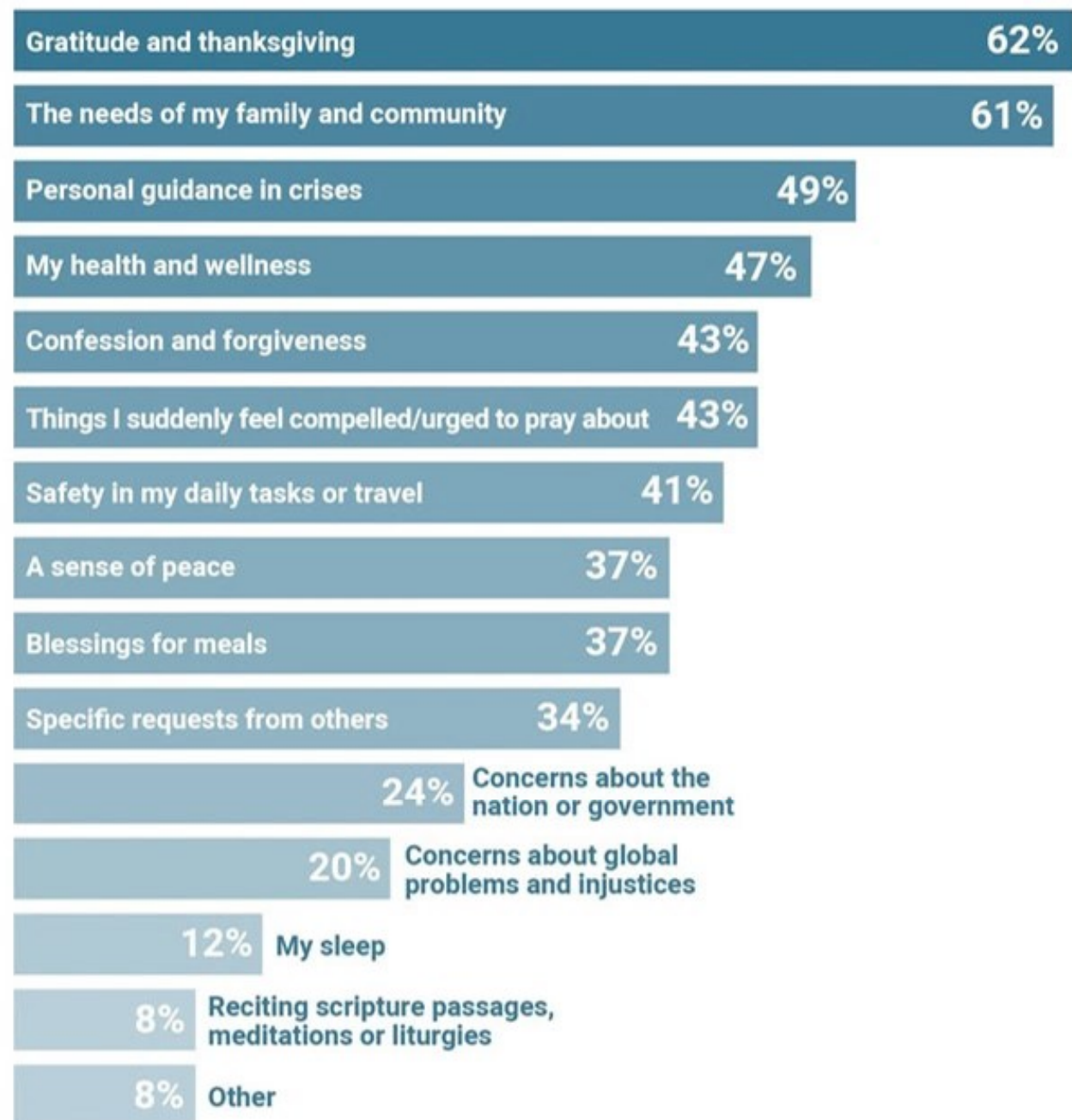
Collectively with a church



WHAT DOES THE CONTENT OF YOUR PRAYERS MOST OFTEN PERTAIN TO?

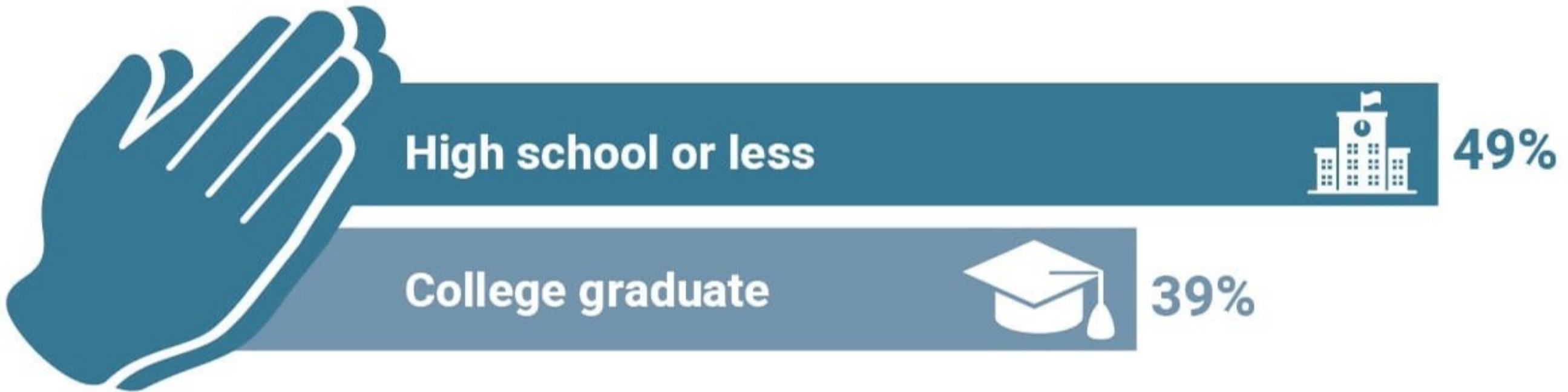
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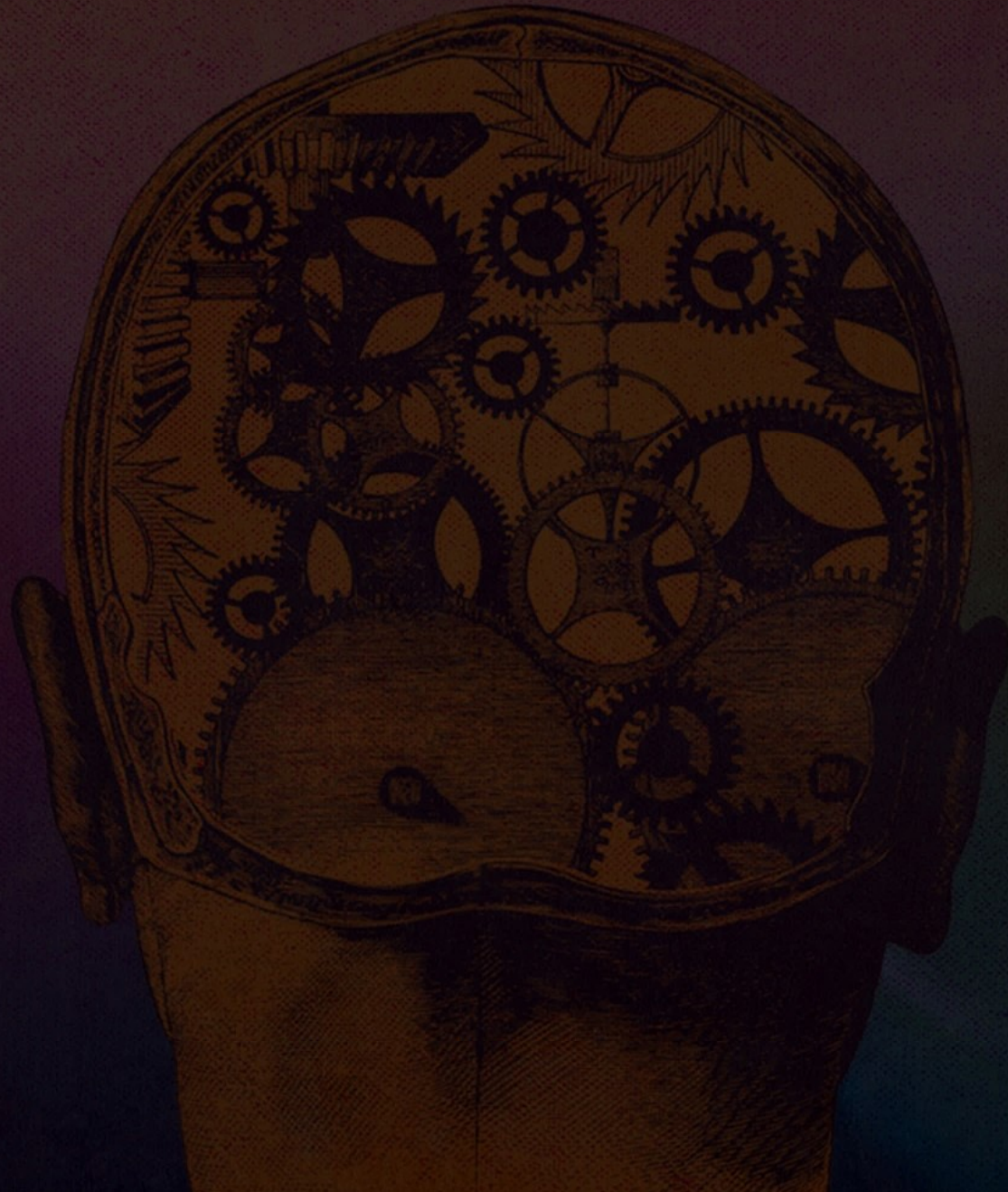


WHO PRAYS FOR PERSONAL GUIDANCE IN CRISES?

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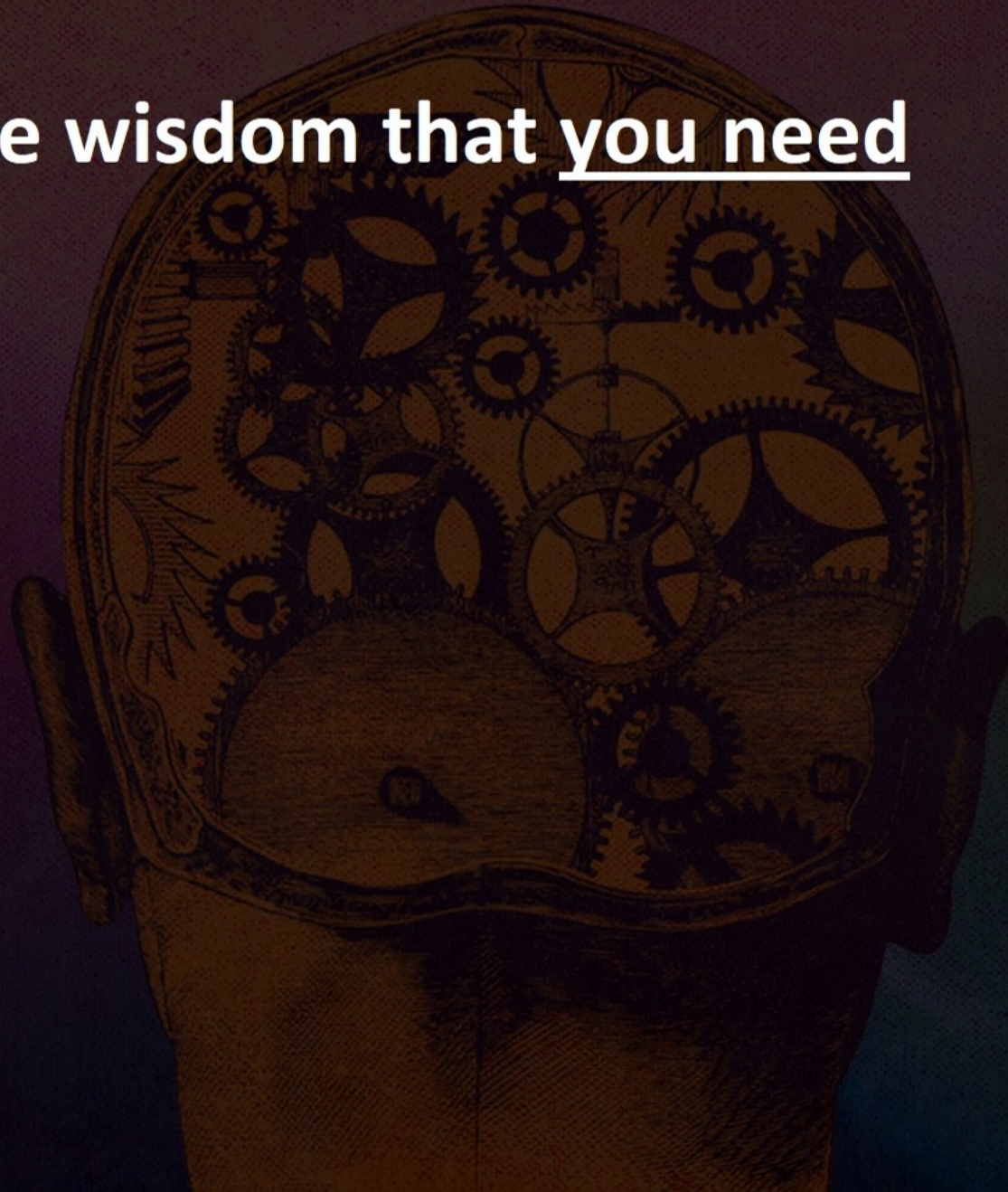


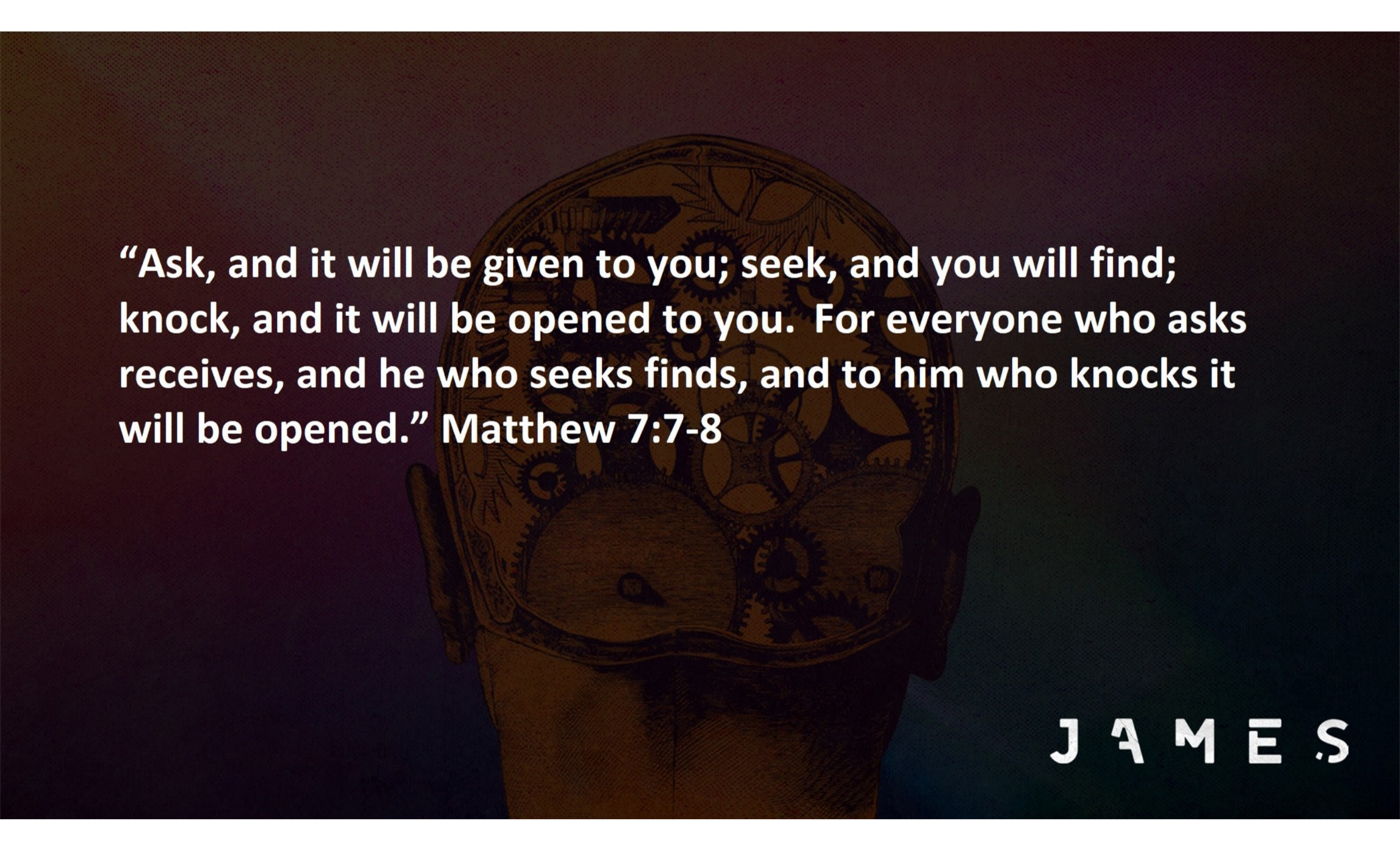
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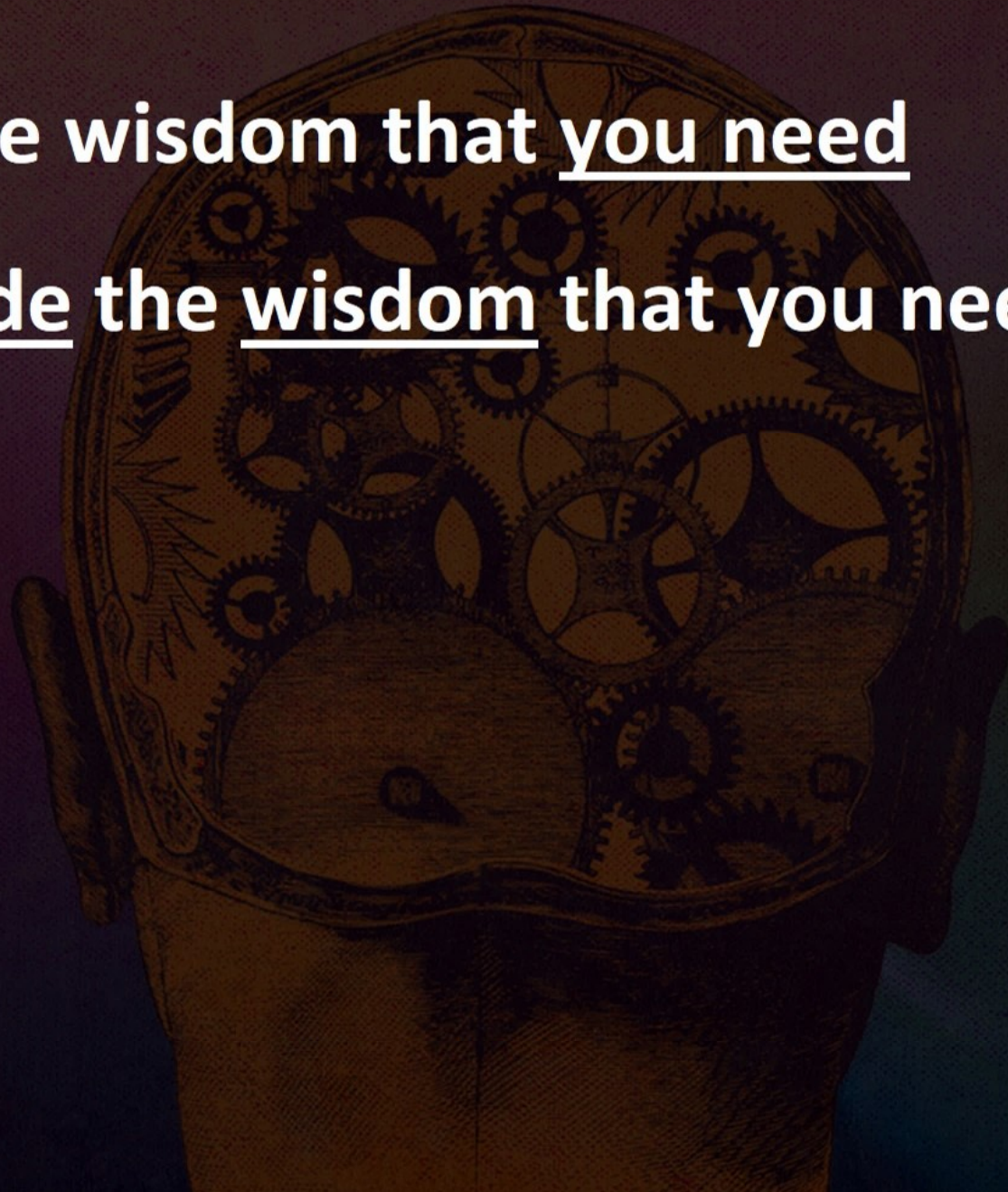


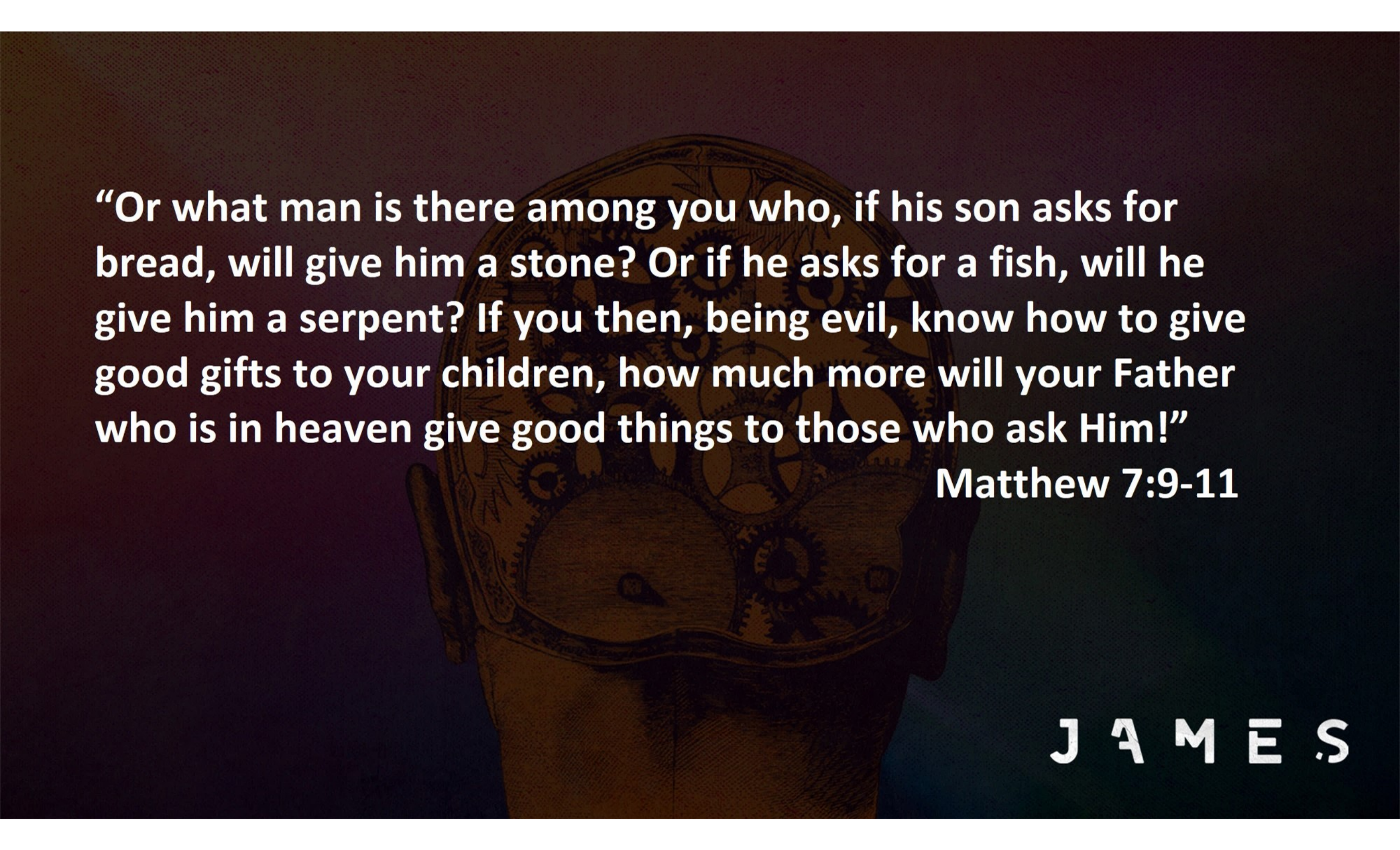
“Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.” Matthew 7:7-8

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4 Essentials in seeking wisdom from God in your trials

1. Ask God for the wisdom that you need
2. God will provide the wisdom that you need





“Or what man is there among you who, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent? If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!”

Matthew 7:9-11

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“Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.” James 1:17

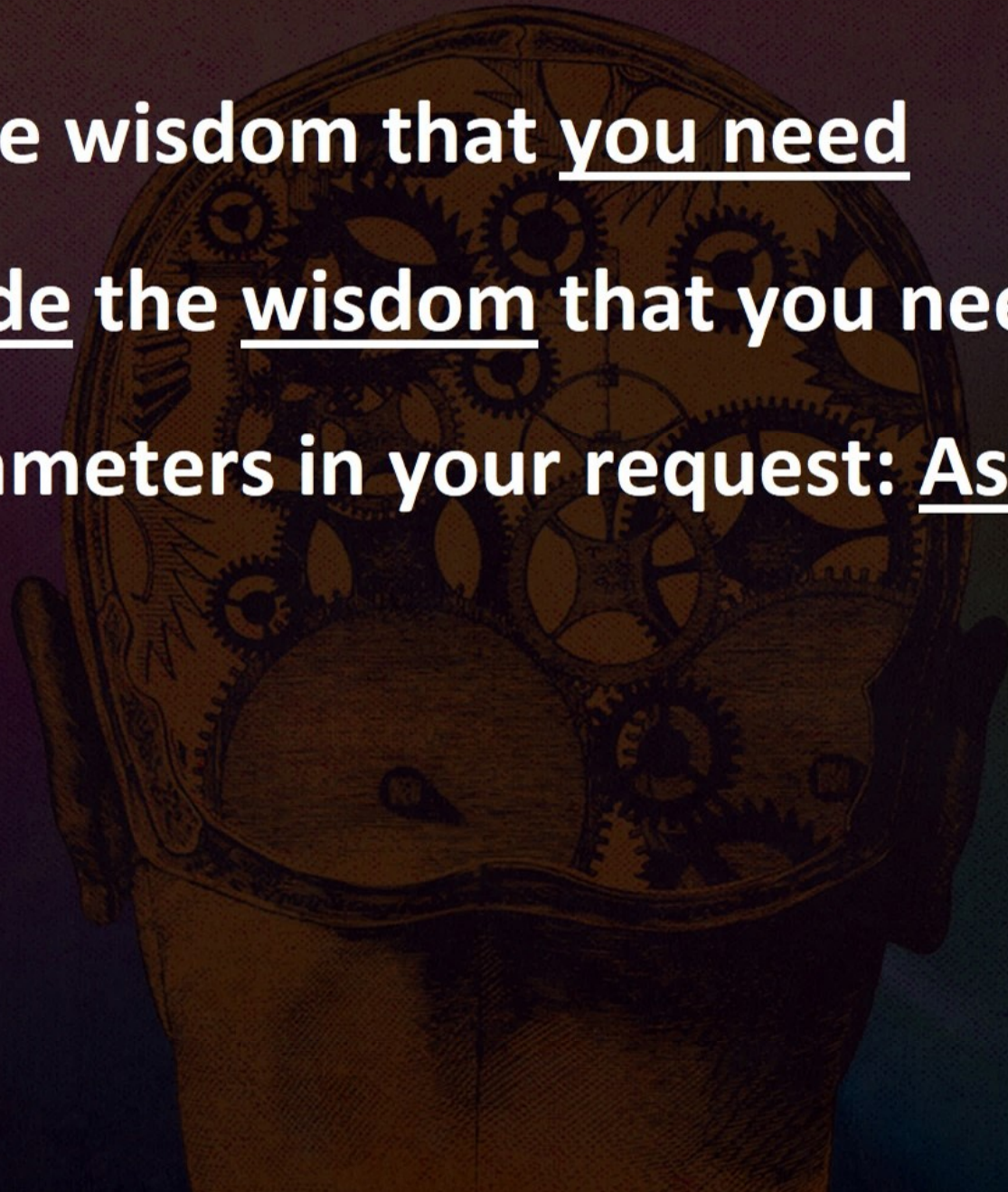
“And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.” Philippians 4:19

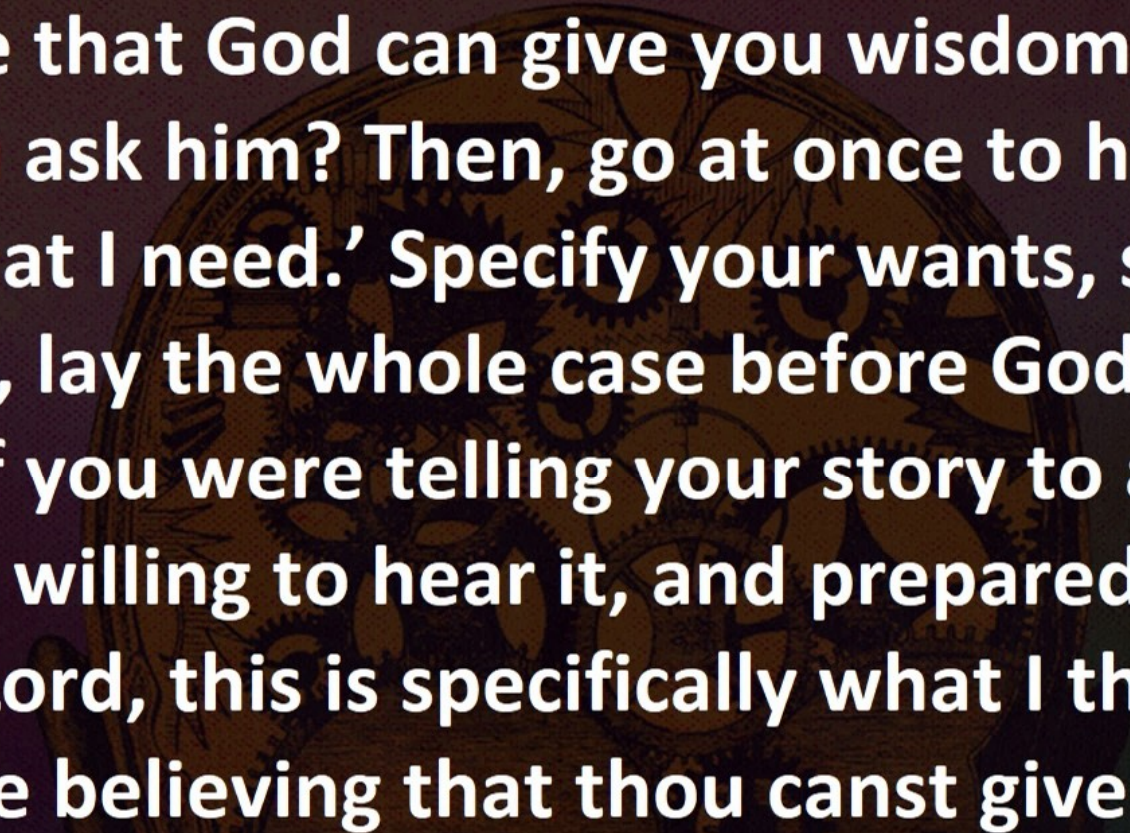
**“You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil;
My cup runs over.” Psalms 23:5**

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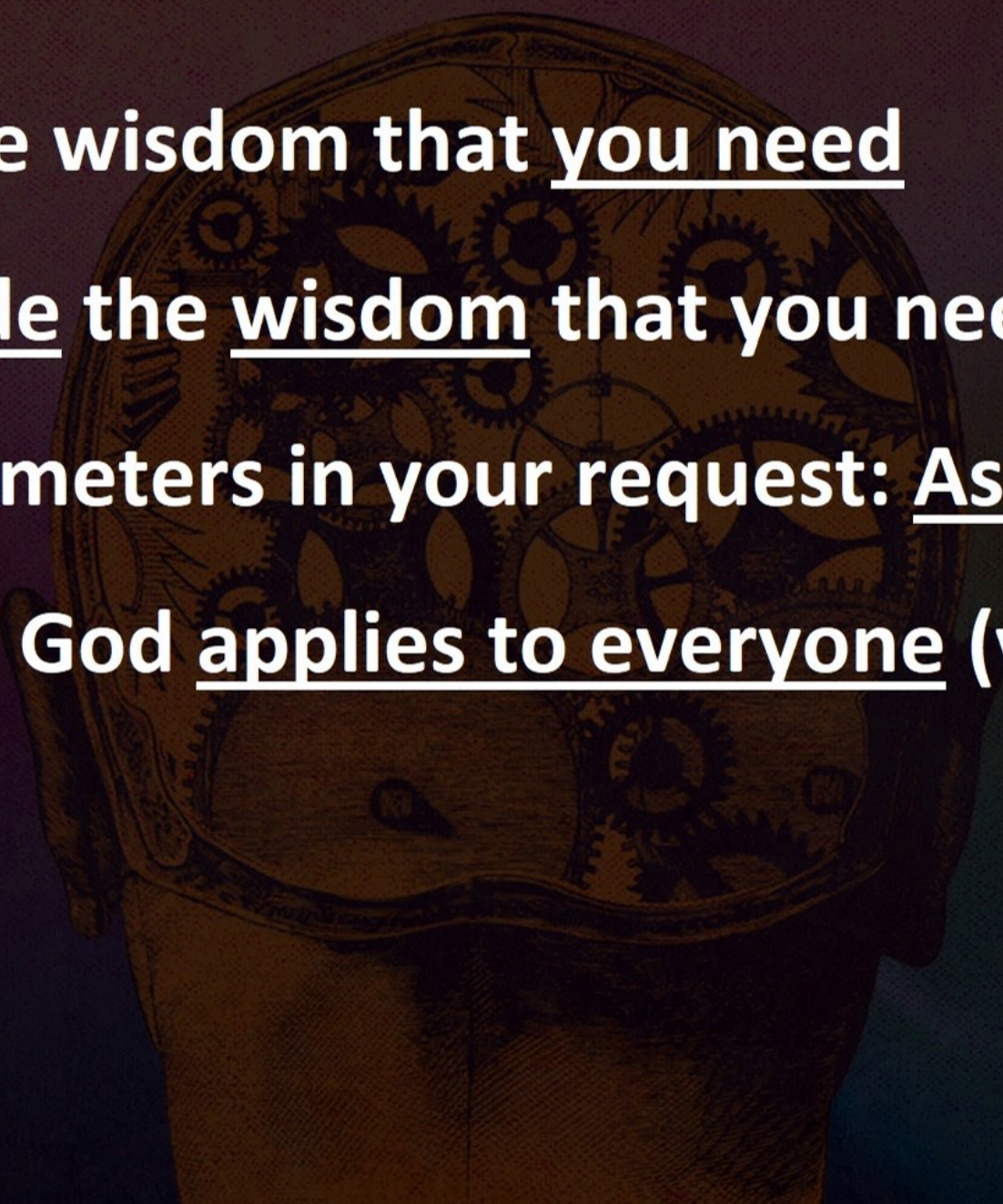


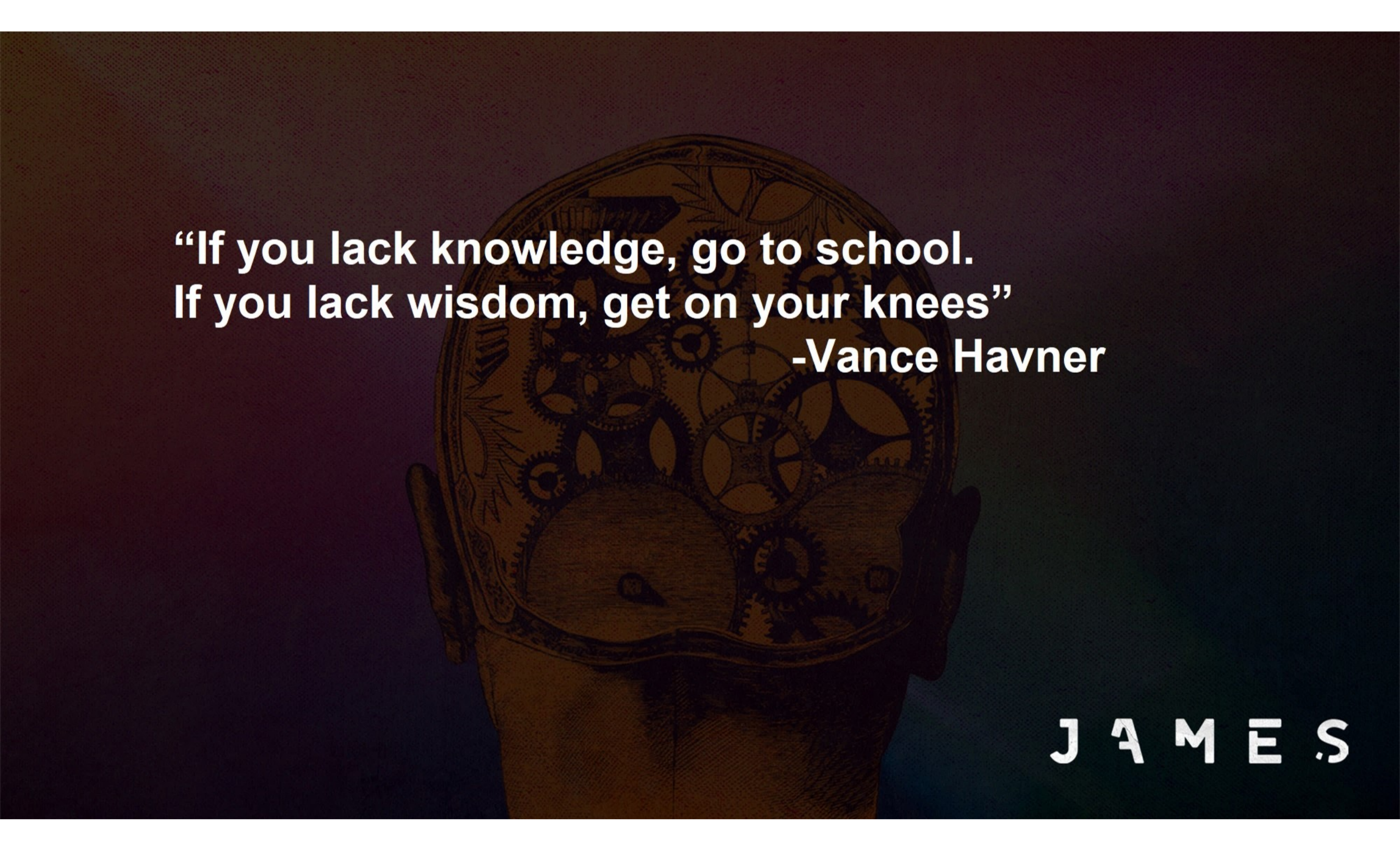
“Do you believe that God can give you wisdom, and that He will do so if you ask him? Then, go at once to him, and say, ‘Lord, this is what I need.’ Specify your wants, state your exact condition, lay the whole case before God with as much orderliness as if you were telling your story to an intelligent friend who was willing to hear it, and prepared to help you; and then say, ‘Lord, this is specifically what I think I want; and I ask this of thee believing that thou canst give it to me.’”

-Charles Spurgeon

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 3. There are parameters in your request: Ask the Lord in faith
 4. The wisdom of God applies to everyone (v.9-11)
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**“If you lack knowledge, go to school.
If you lack wisdom, get on your knees”**

-Vance Havner

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