

THE VOICE OF THE PROPHETS

a study in the lives and ministries of Elijah and Elisha

“An Outsider’s Healing”

2 Kings 5:1-27

4 Markers to direct you toward healing from the Lord

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“The soul who sins shall die.” Ezekiel 18:20

**“For the wages of sin *is* death, but the gift of God *is* eternal life
in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Romans 6:23**

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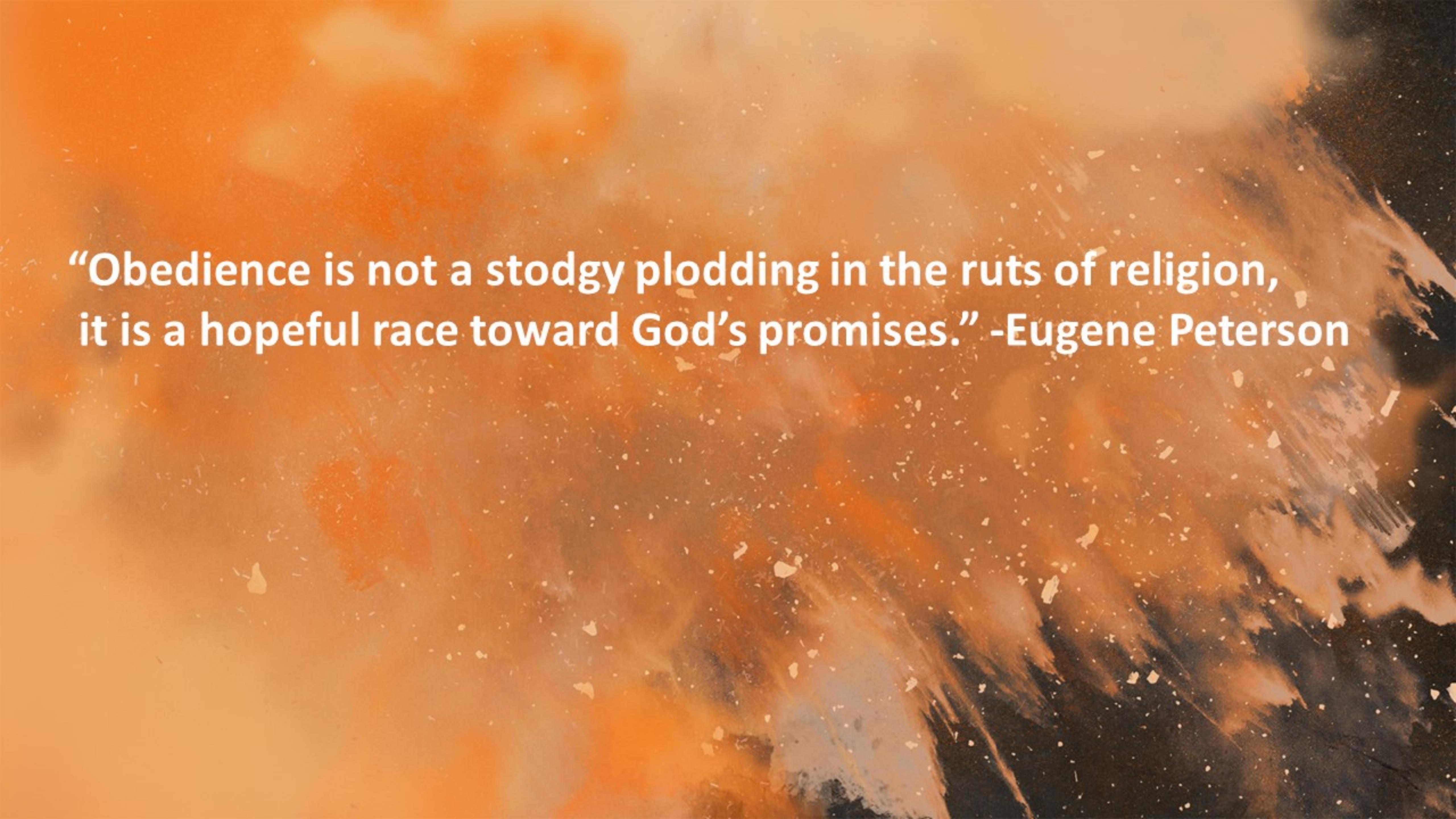
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**“When pride comes, then comes shame;
But with the humble *is* wisdom.” Proverbs 11:2**

**“For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled,
and he who humbles himself will be exalted.” Luke 14:11**

Unrealistic Expectations:

- You'll Always Be Happy
- You Won't Struggle With Sin
- Christians Always Feel Like Serving
- Believers Do Not Experience Spiritual Doubts



**“Obedience is not a stodgy plodding in the ruts of religion,
it is a hopeful race toward God’s promises.” -Eugene Peterson**

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“Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.” Psalm 136:1

“...in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” 1 Thessalonians 5:18

“Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!” 2 Corinthians 9:15

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4. **The Passions You Harbor:** Fight against the desire to get what you think you deserve. (v.20-27)

**“Delight yourself in the LORD, and He will give you
the desires of your heart.” Psalm 37:4**

**“But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify
the desires of the flesh.” Galatians 5:16**