

A winter sunset over a snowy field. The sky is a mix of orange, red, and purple, with the sun low on the horizon. The foreground is a field of snow with some dark grasses. There are trees in silhouette on the left and right sides of the frame.

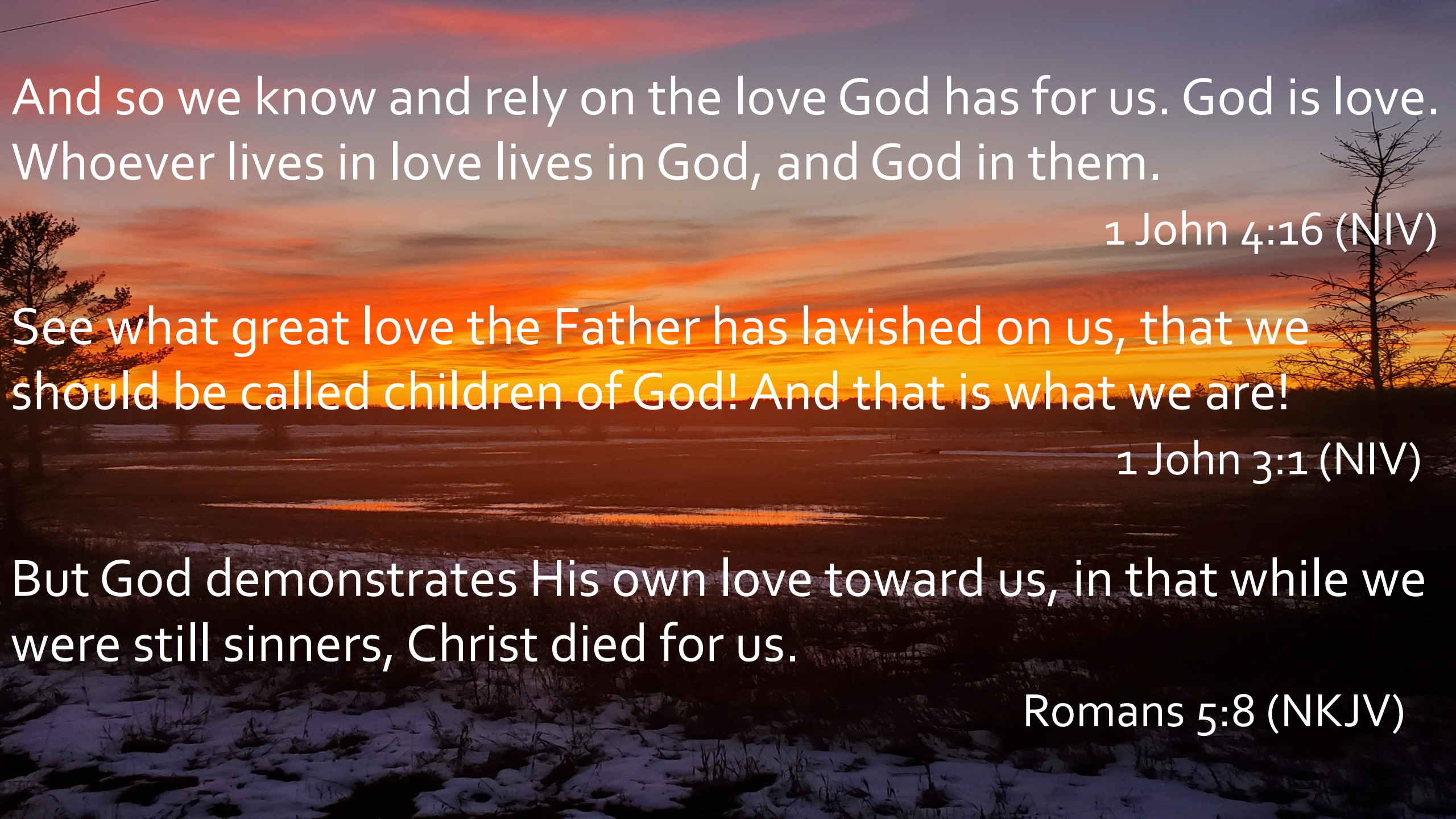
# Applied Wisdom



**1. We need to get to know God.**







And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love.  
Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them.

1 John 4:16 (NIV)

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we  
should be called children of God! And that is what we are!

1 John 3:1 (NIV)

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we  
were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 5:8 (NKJV)



A serene winter landscape at sunset. The sky is a vibrant mix of orange, red, and purple, with soft clouds catching the low light. Below the horizon, a dark line of trees separates the sky from a frozen body of water. The foreground is covered in a layer of snow, with some dry grass and small shrubs visible. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

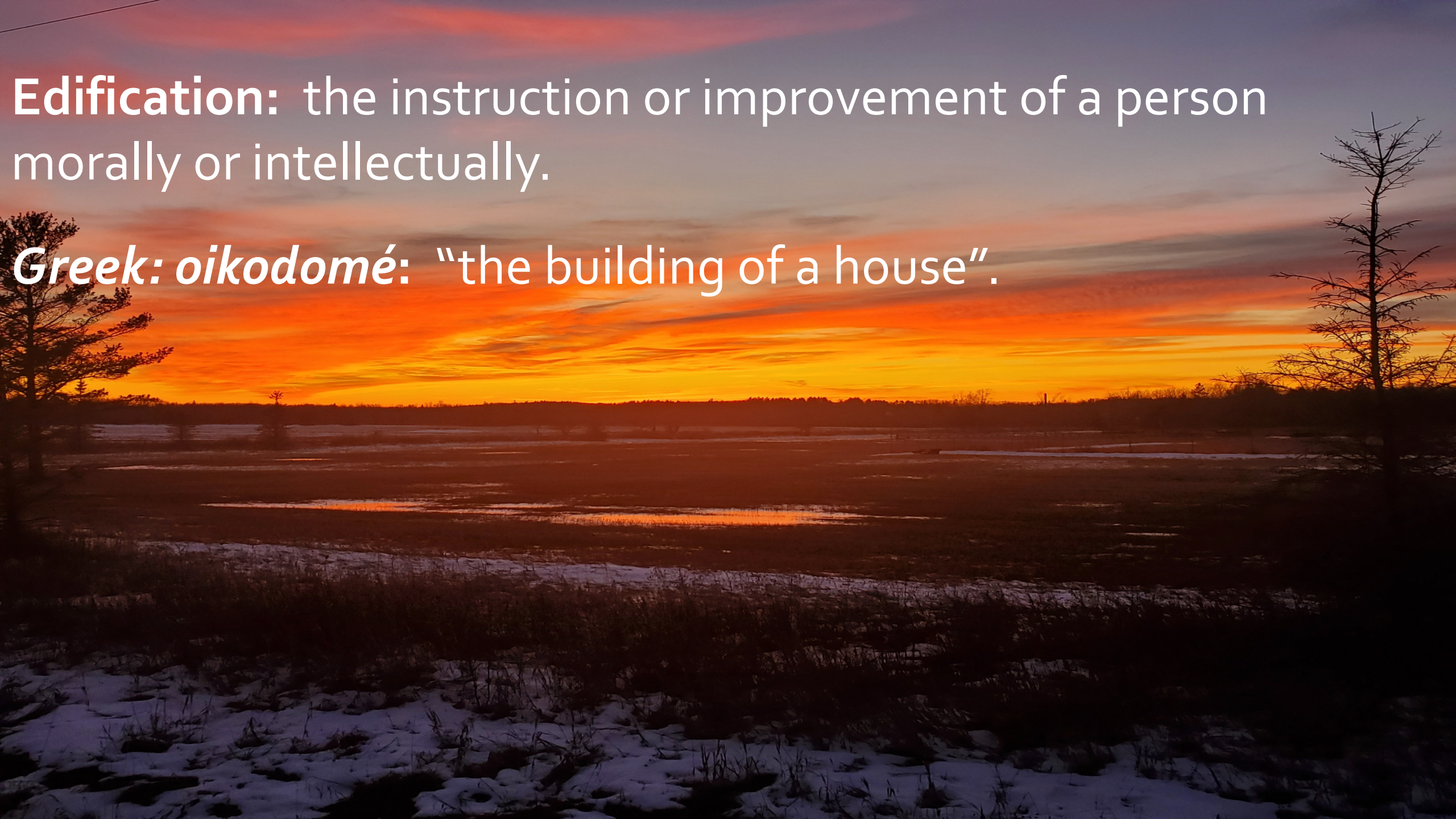
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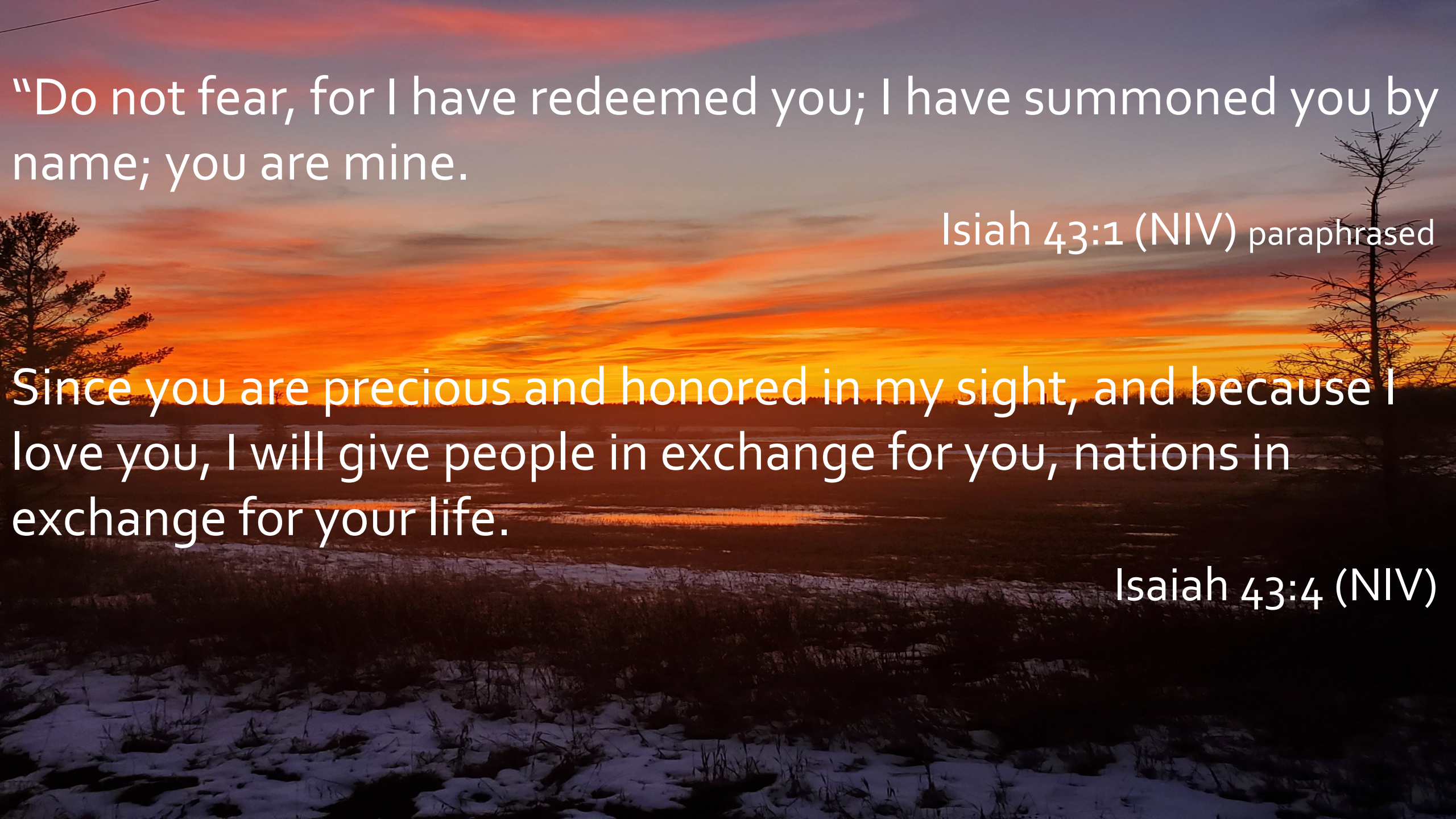


**Edification:** the instruction or improvement of a person morally or intellectually.

***Greek: oikodomé:*** “the building of a house”.





A sunset over a snowy landscape. The sky is filled with vibrant orange and red hues, transitioning into a darker blue at the top. The ground is covered in snow, with some dark patches of grass or rocks visible. A few trees are silhouetted against the bright sky, particularly on the left and right sides.

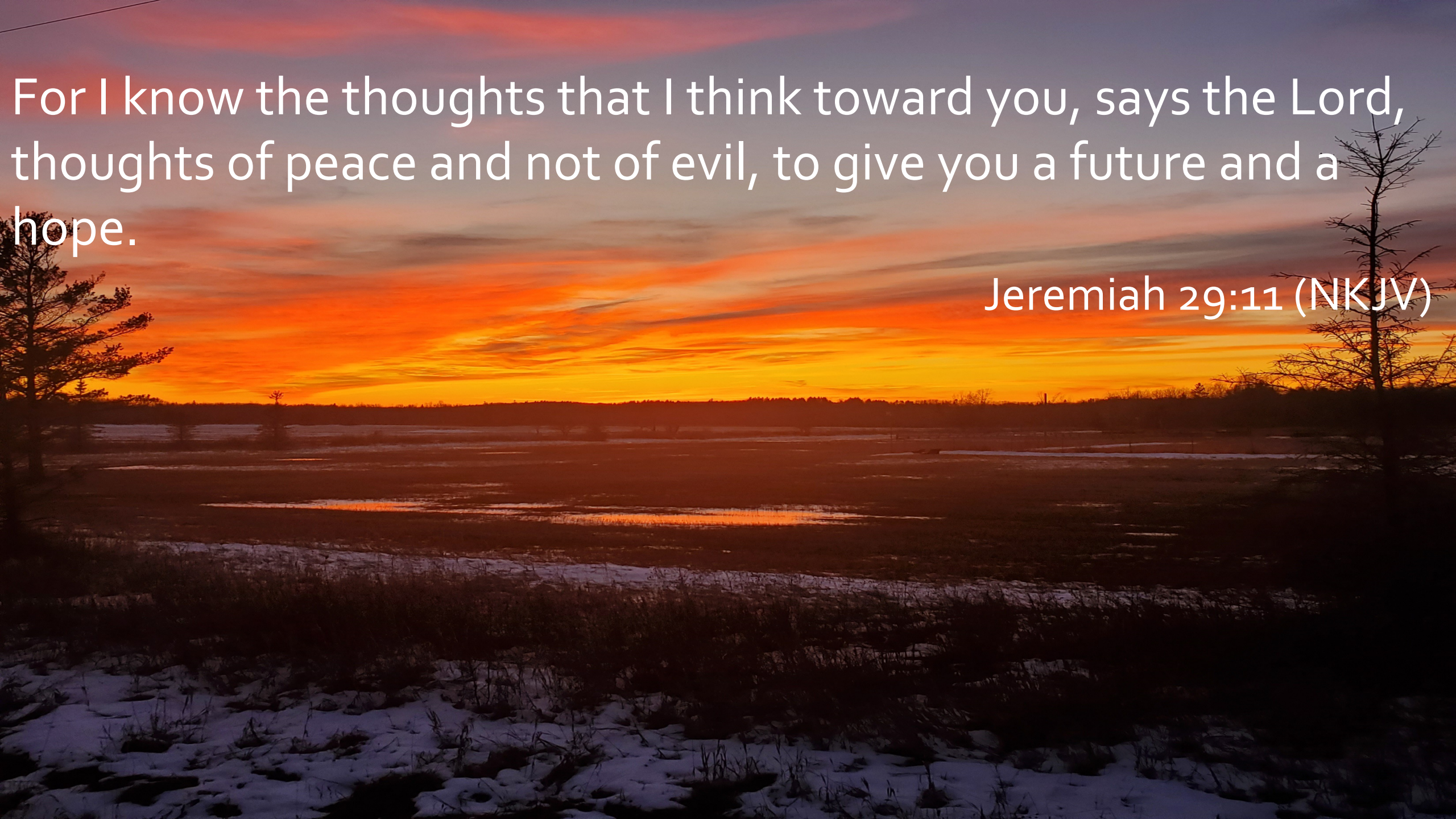
“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine.

Isiah 43:1 (NIV) paraphrased

Since you are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you, I will give people in exchange for you, nations in exchange for your life.

Isaiah 43:4 (NIV)



A wide-angle photograph of a winter landscape at sunset. The foreground is covered in a layer of snow, with some dark, dry grasses visible. The middle ground shows a flat, open field that reflects the bright orange and yellow light of the setting sun. The horizon is a dark line of trees and bushes. The sky is filled with soft, wispy clouds, transitioning from a deep orange near the horizon to a pale, hazy blue at the top. The overall mood is peaceful and serene.

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord,  
thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a  
hope.

Jeremiah 29:11 (NKJV)



A serene winter landscape at sunset. The sky is a vibrant mix of orange, red, and purple, with soft clouds. Below the horizon, a frozen lake reflects the warm colors of the sky. The foreground is covered in a layer of snow, with some dark, dry grasses visible. Silhouettes of trees are scattered across the horizon and in the foreground.

**1. We need to get to know God.**

**2. We need to read about God's feelings for us.**

**3. We need to remember God's faithfulness.**



A sunset over a snowy field with trees in the foreground. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue, with some clouds. The ground is covered in snow, and there are some trees in the foreground and background.

What if some are unfaithful? Will their unfaithfulness nullify God's faithfulness?

Romans 3:3 (NIV)

"You don't have enough faith," Jesus told them. "I tell you the truth, if you had faith even as small as a mustard seed, you could say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it would move.

Matthew 17:20 (NLT)