

*Gospel of John*

BELIEVE

AND LIVE



# WHEN YOU FAIL, HOW DO YOU RESPOND?

- A. Run and hide or get really quiet.
- B. Get mad, raise my voice, fight, etc.
- C. Fail some more!
- D. Suck my thumb and ask for “mommy”.
- E. None of the above.



# JOHN 13:37-38

<sup>37</sup> “Lord,” Peter asked, “why can’t I follow you now? I will give my life for you.”

<sup>38</sup> Then Jesus answered, “Will you really give your life for me? What I’m about to tell you is true. Before the rooster crows, you will say three times that you don’t know me!”

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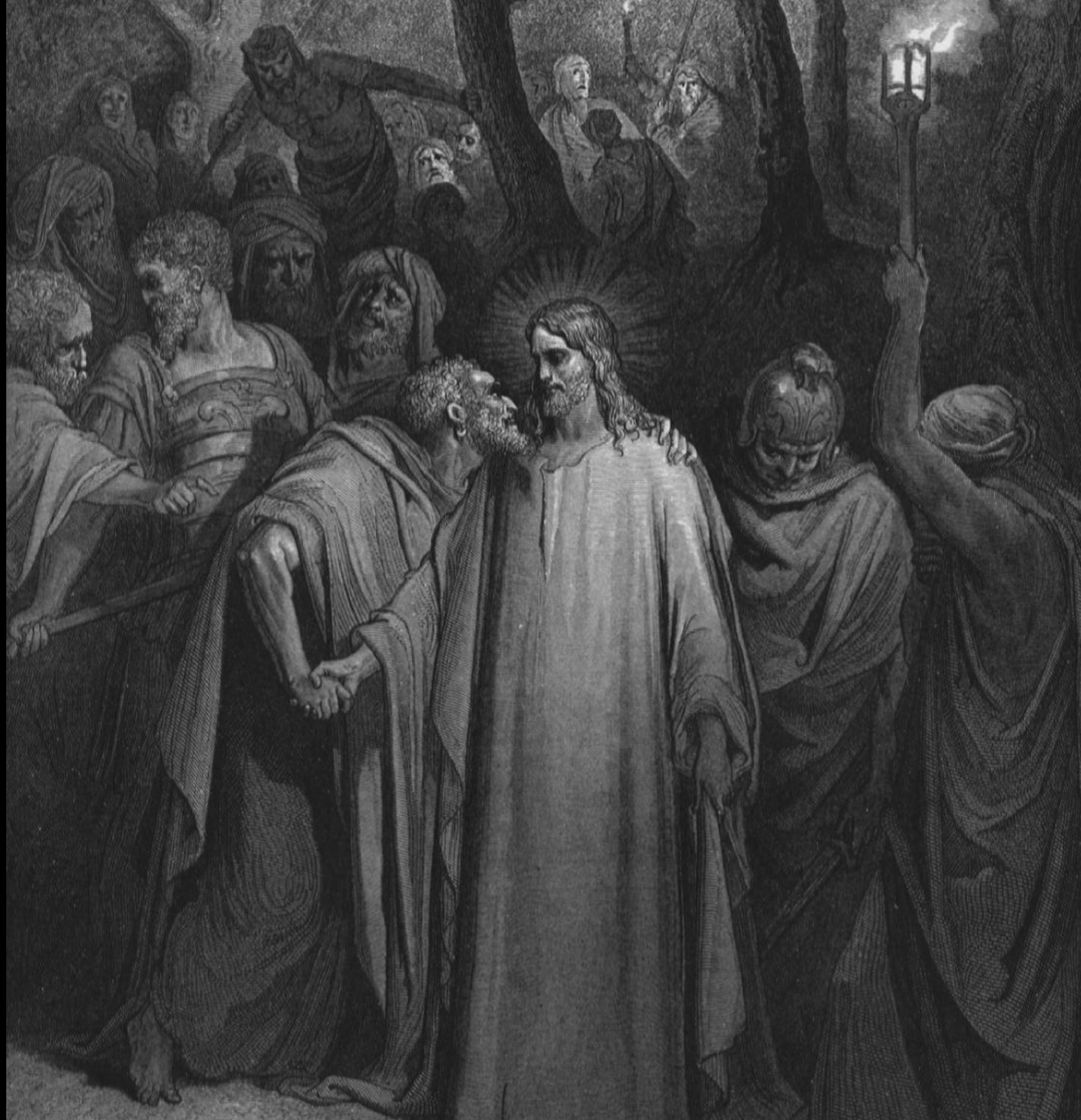
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(4 ways to respond to our sin)

1. Say with your mouth Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead.

# ROMANS 10:9

<sup>9</sup> Say with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord.” Believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead. Then you will be saved.

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2. When you fail come to God with confidence because of Jesus.

# HEBREWS 4:13-16

<sup>13</sup> Nothing God created is hidden from him. His eyes see everything. He will hold us responsible for everything we do.

# HEBREWS 4:13-16

<sup>14</sup> We have a great high priest. He has gone up into heaven. He is Jesus the Son of God. So let us hold firmly to what we say we believe.

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<sup>15</sup> We have a high priest who can feel it when we are weak and hurting. We have a high priest who has been tempted in every way, just as we are. But he did not sin.

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<sup>16</sup> So let us boldly approach God's throne of grace. Then we will receive mercy. We will find grace to help us when we need it.

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3. When you are tempted God will give you a way out to deal with the temptation.



# 1 CORINTHIANS 10:13

<sup>13</sup> You are tempted in the same way all other human beings are. God is faithful. He will not let you be tempted any more than you can take. But when you are tempted, God will give you a way out. Then you will be able to deal with it.

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4. Struggling to do what is right is normal.

- It's a war between the sin in our bodies and the new life of the Spirit within us.

# ROMANS 7:15-25

<sup>15</sup> I don't understand what I do. I don't do what I want to do. Instead, I do what I hate to do. <sup>16</sup> I do what I don't want to do. So I agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup> As it is, I am no longer the one who does these things. It is sin living in me that does them. <sup>18</sup> I know there is nothing good in my desires controlled by sin. I want to do what is good, but I can't.

# ROMANS 7:15-25

<sup>19</sup> I don't do the good things I want to do. I keep on doing the evil things I don't want to do. <sup>20</sup> I do what I don't want to do. But I am not really the one who is doing it. It is sin living in me that does it.

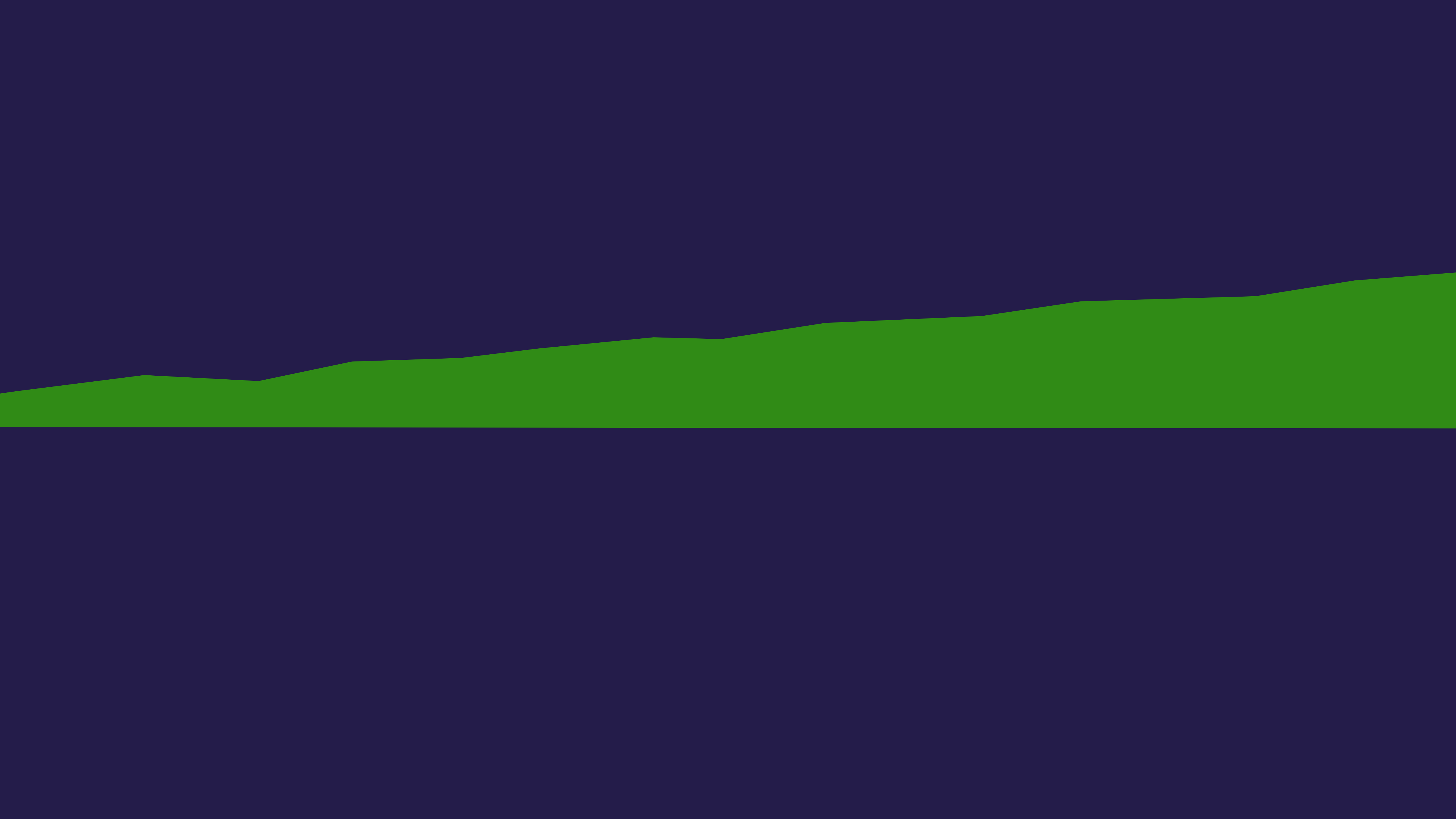
<sup>21</sup> Here is the law I find working in me. When I want to do good, evil is right there with me.

# ROMANS 7:15-25

<sup>22</sup> Deep inside me I find joy in God's law. <sup>23</sup> But I see another law working in me. It fights against the law of my mind. It makes me a prisoner of the law of sin. That law controls me. <sup>24</sup> What a terrible failure I am! Who will save me from this sin that brings death to my body? <sup>25</sup> I give thanks to God who saves me. He saves me through Jesus Christ our Lord.









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2. He never lied

# 1 PETER 2:22

Scripture says, “He didn’t commit any sin. No lies ever came out of his mouth.”

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2. He never lied
3. He obeyed God completely

# PHILIPPIANS 2:8

He appeared as a man. He was humble and obeyed God completely. He did this even though it led to his death. Even worse, he died on a cross!



# JESUS NEVER FAILS

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2. He never lied
3. He obeyed God completely
4. He became sin so we could be made right with God

# 2 CORINTHIANS 5:21

Christ didn't have any sin. But God made him become sin for us. So we can be made right with God because of what Christ has done for us.

BUT THESE ARE WRITTEN SO  
THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE  
THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST,  
THE SON OF GOD, AND THAT  
BY BELIEVING YOU MAY  
HAVE LIFE IN HIS NAME.

*John 20:31*



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