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Certainty



we love stability and certainty

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**if stability and certainty is important for
us, then where do you find it?**

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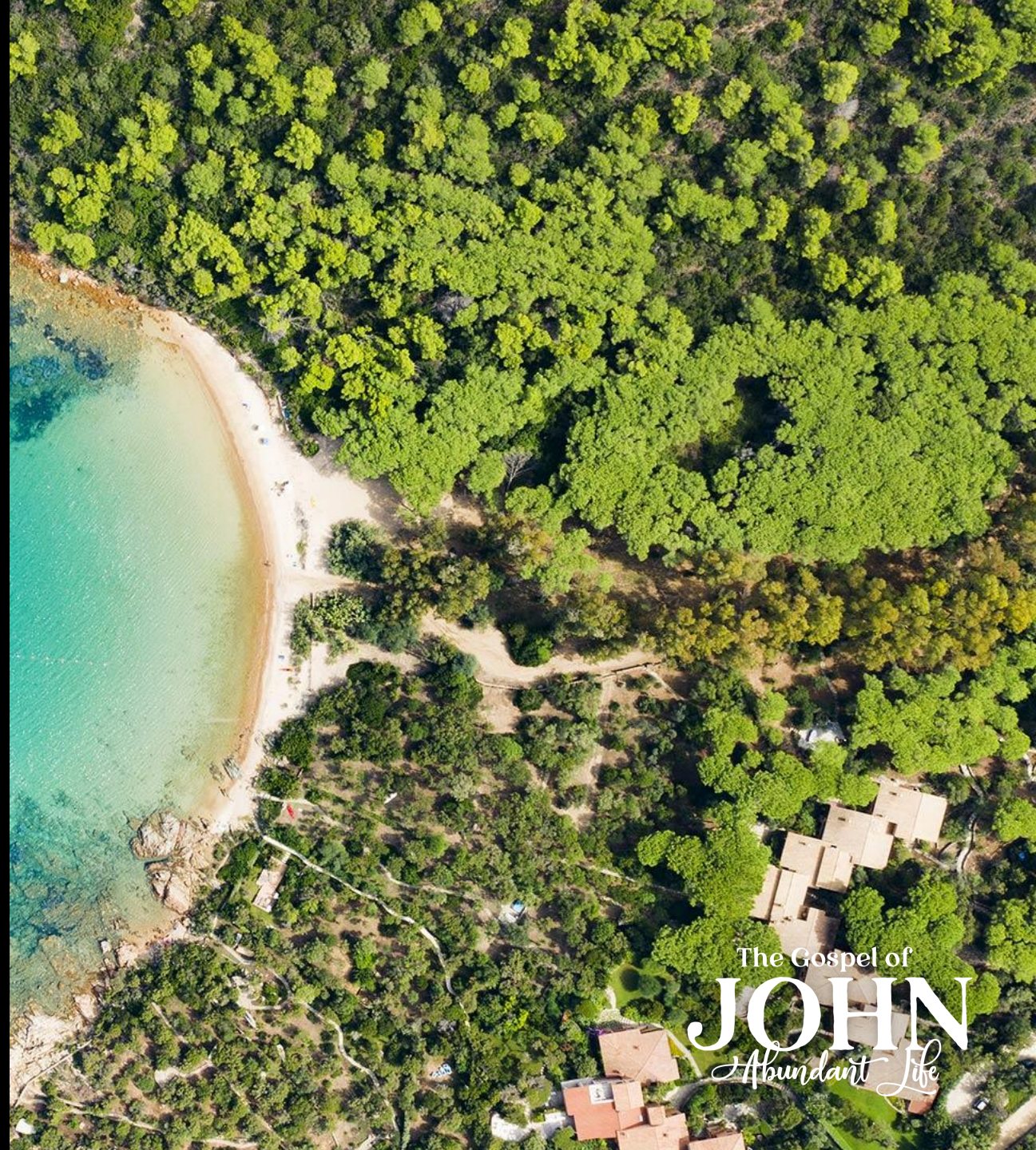
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**the problem isn't so much what we are doing, but
what we are trying to achieve by what we do**

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1. A tough spot

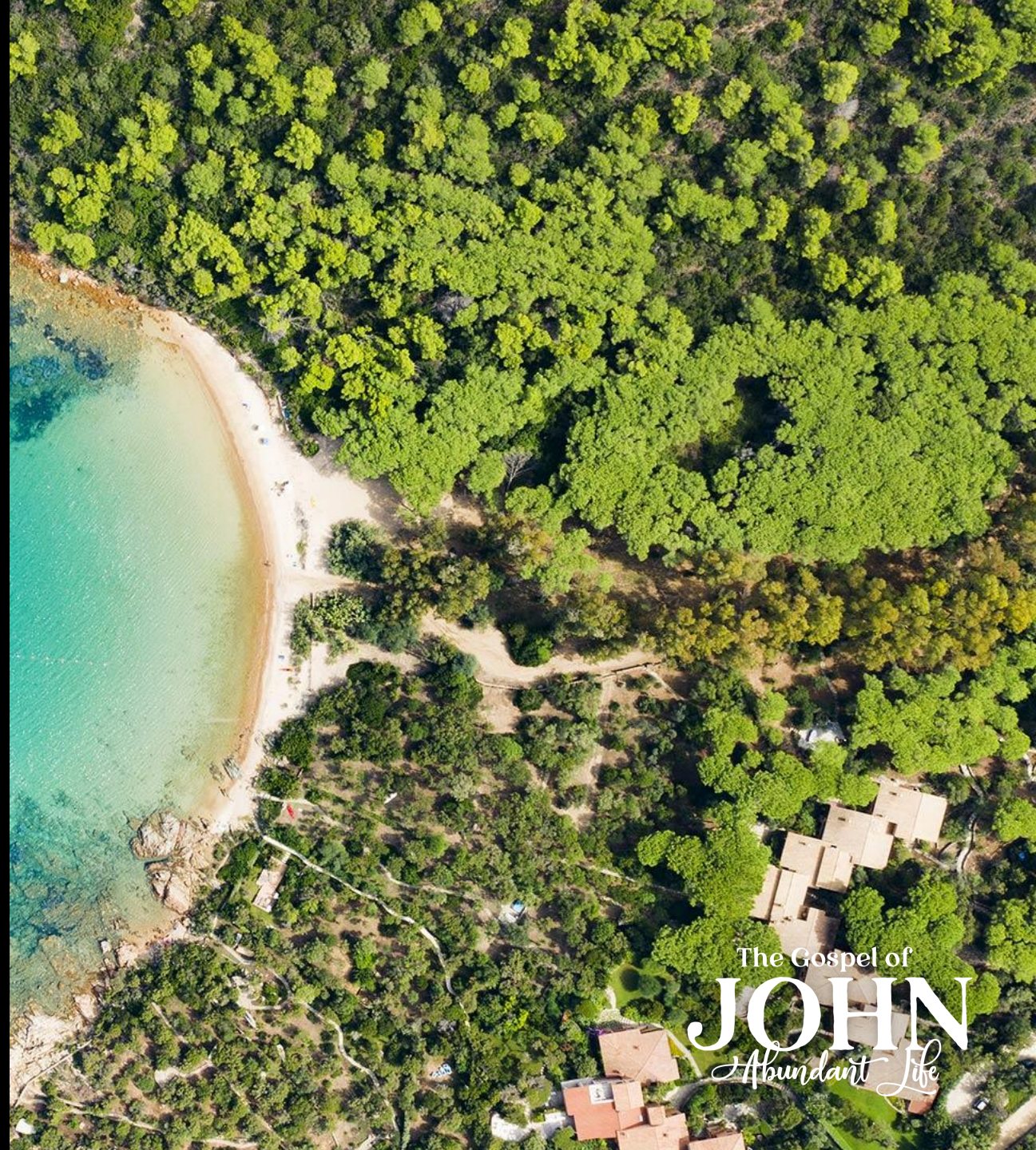
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2. A test

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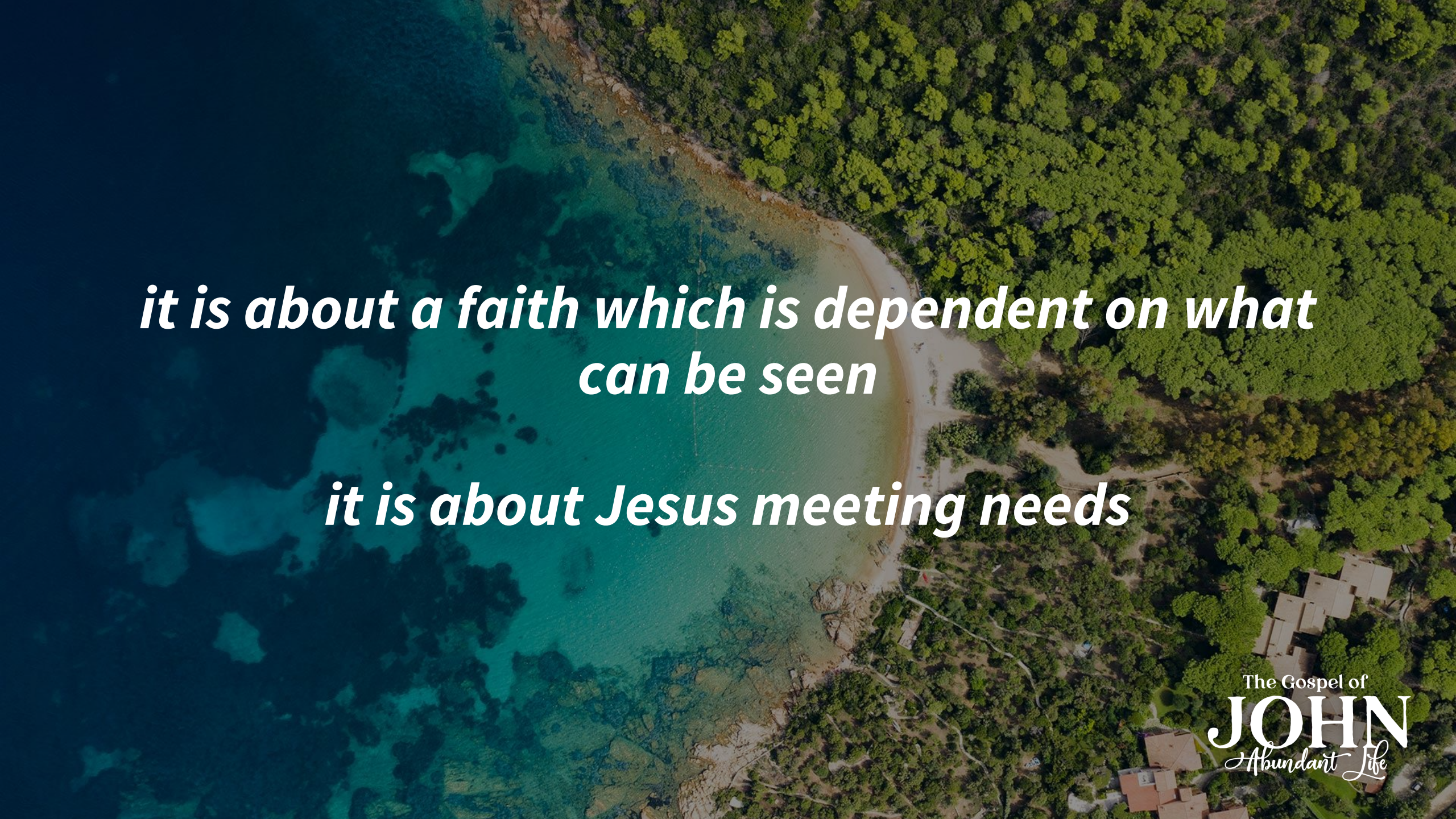


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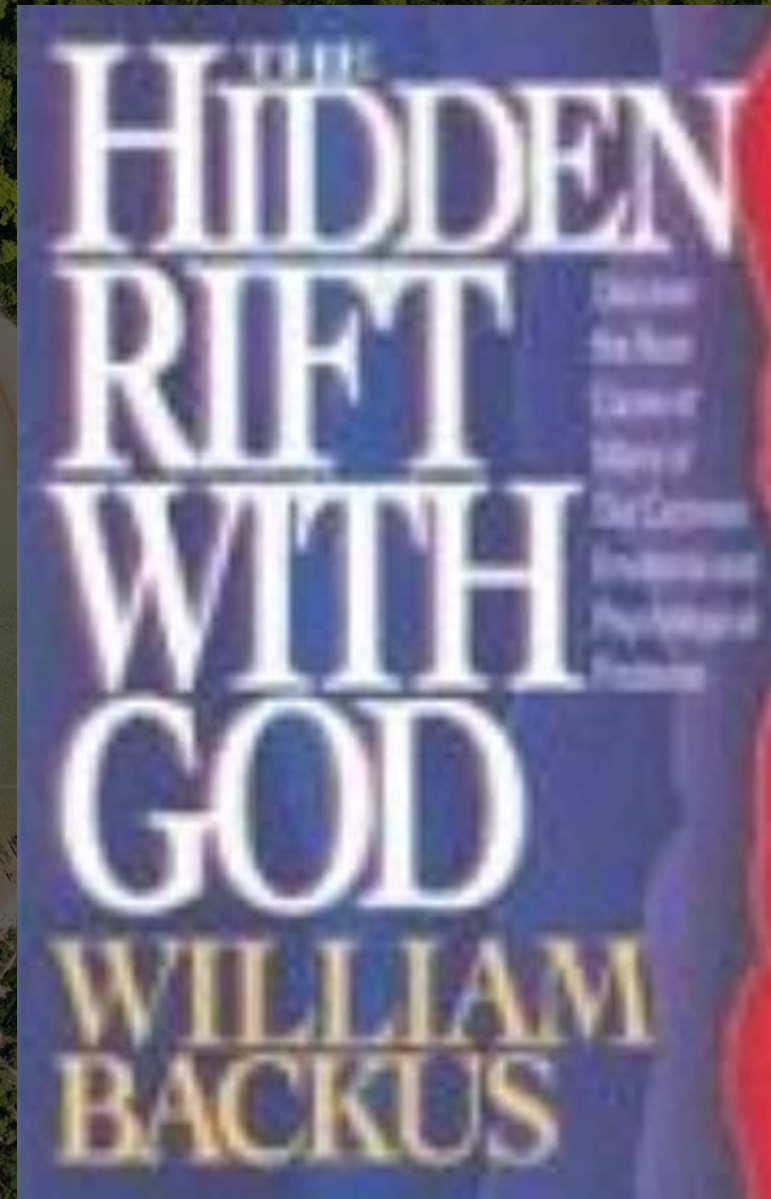


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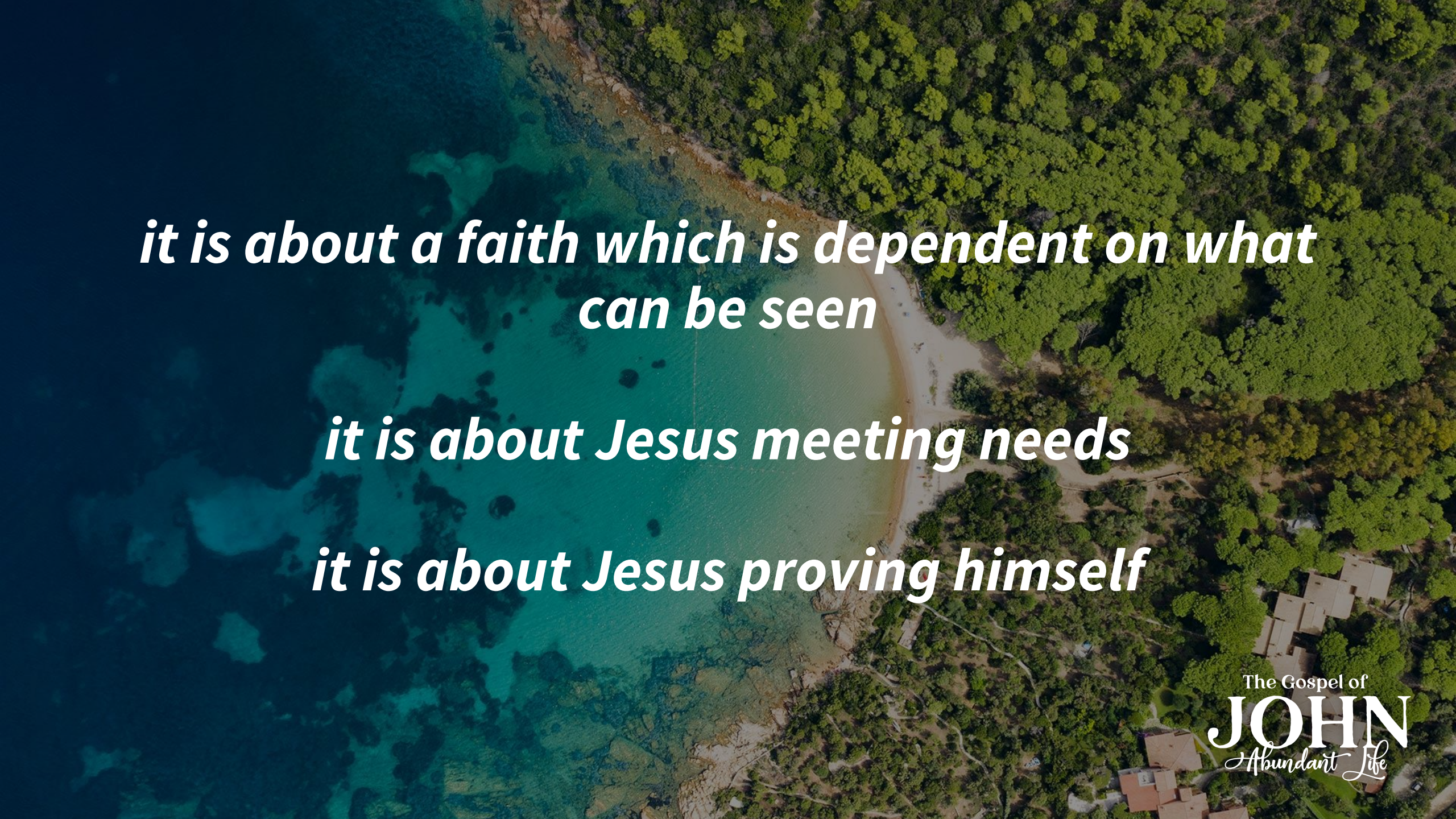


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**when was the last time God:
did something you didn't want?
didn't do what you wanted?**

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*it is about a faith which is dependent on what
can be seen*

it is about Jesus meeting needs

it is about Jesus proving himself

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**we stay in the centre and none of them
require anything of us**

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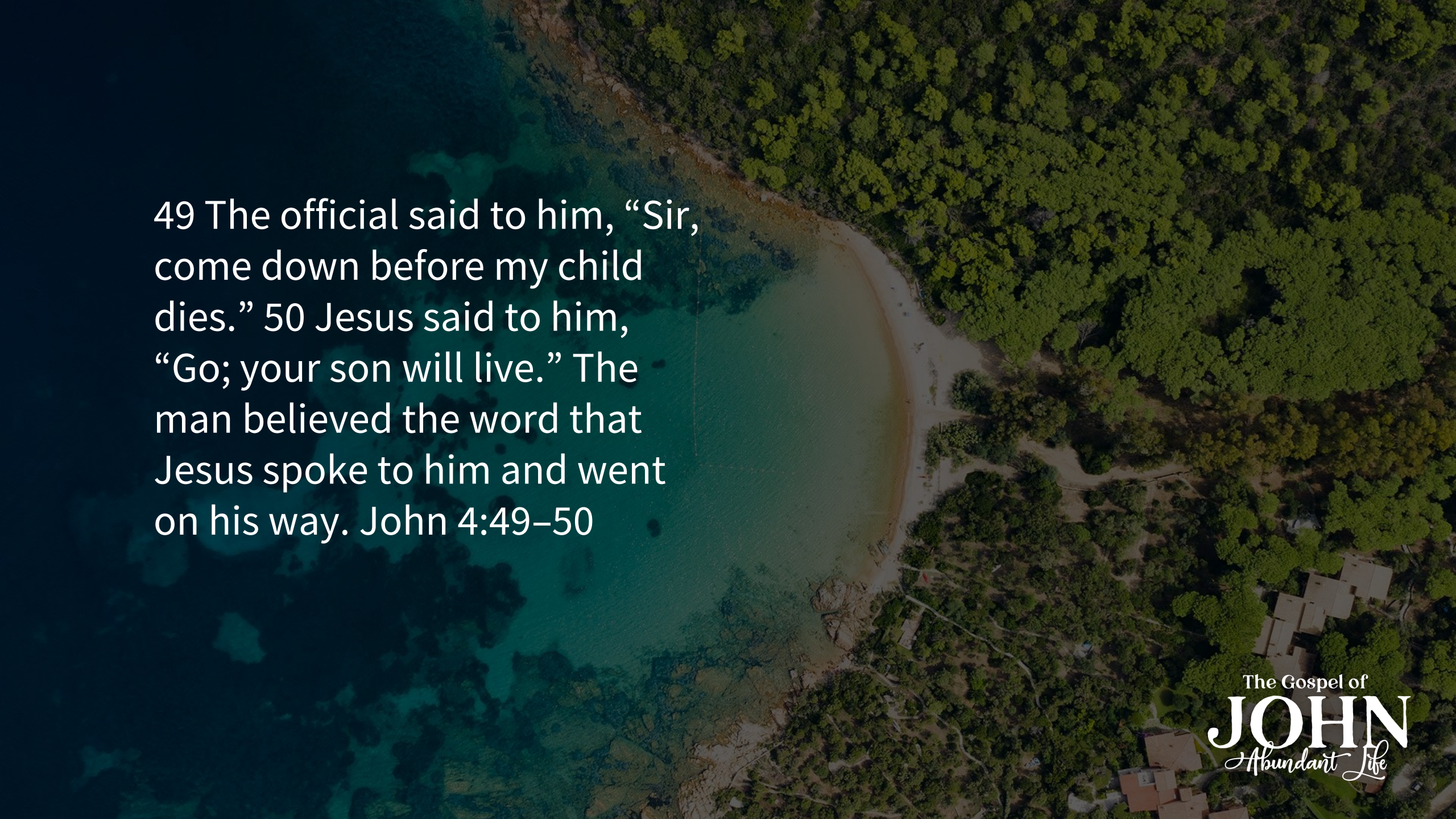
16 “But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates, 17 “ ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.’ 18 For John came neither

eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon.’ 19 The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds.” Matthew 11:16–19

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no skin in the game

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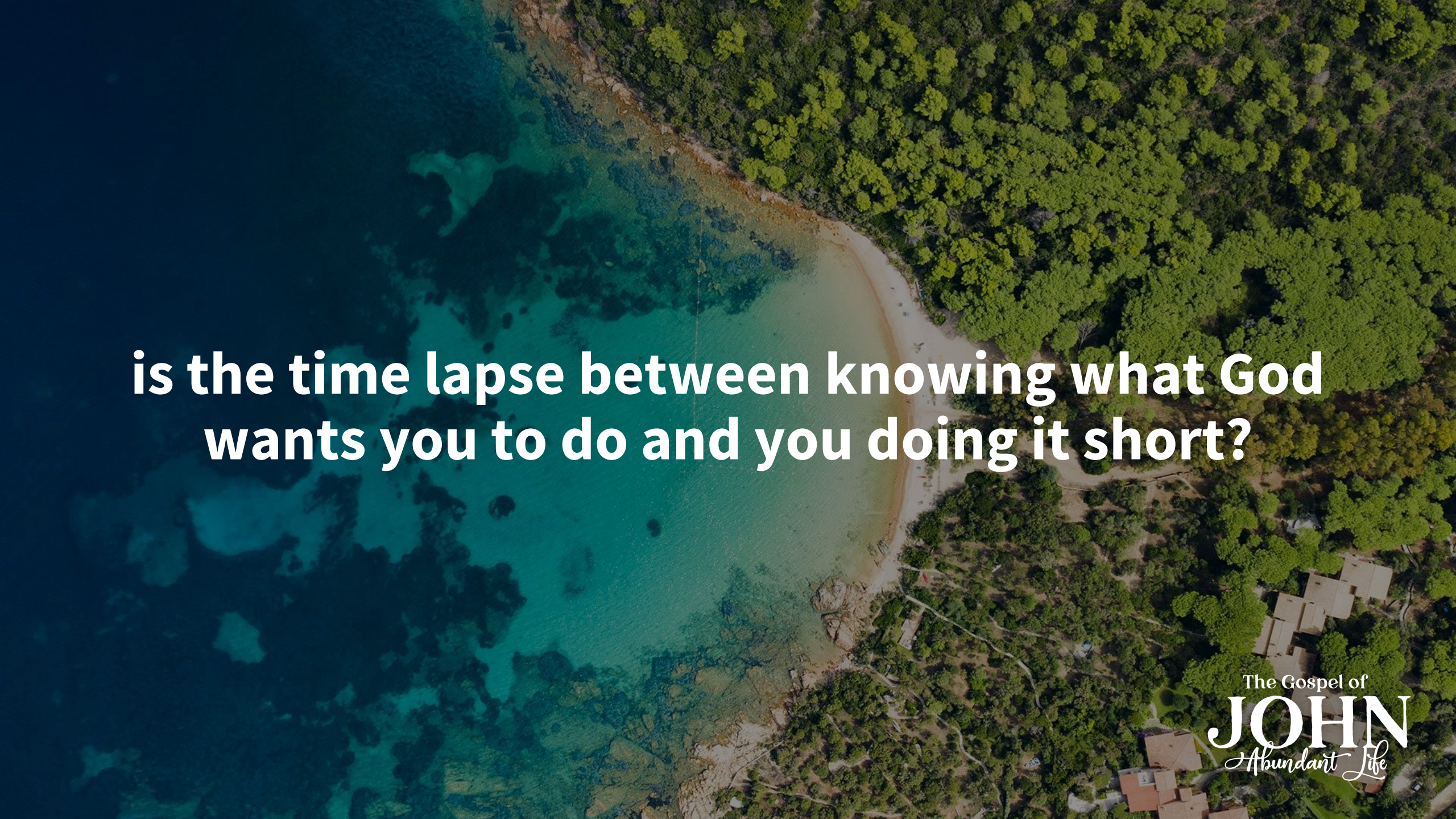
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49 The official said to him, “Sir, come down before my child dies.” 50 Jesus said to him, “Go; your son will live.” The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and went on his way. John 4:49–50

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when it comes to what God says, do you
ask why too much?

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**is the time lapse between knowing what God
wants you to do and you doing it short?**

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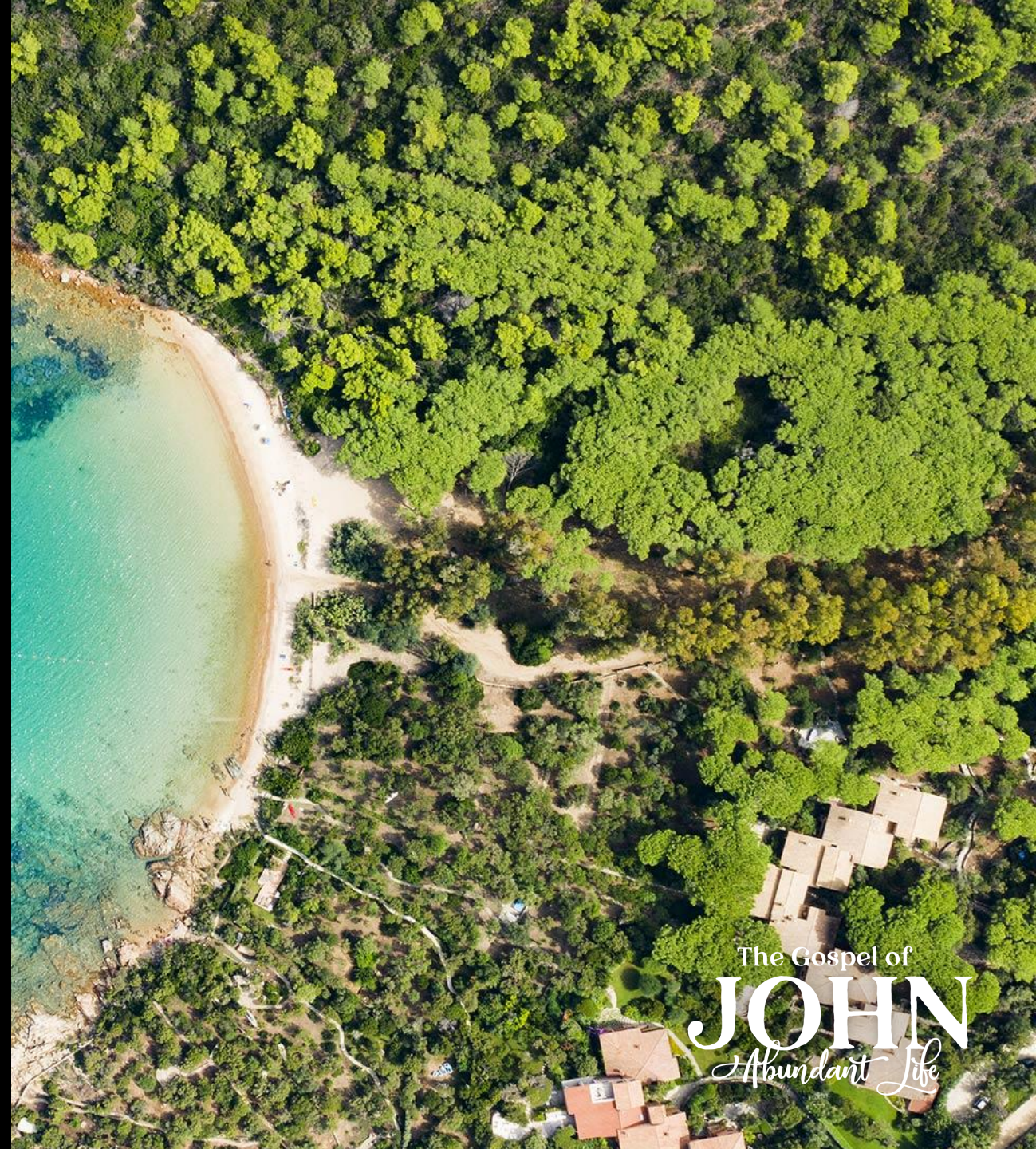
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**what is the dearest thing to you which is the
hardest for you to take Jesus at his word?**

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3. Two miracles

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