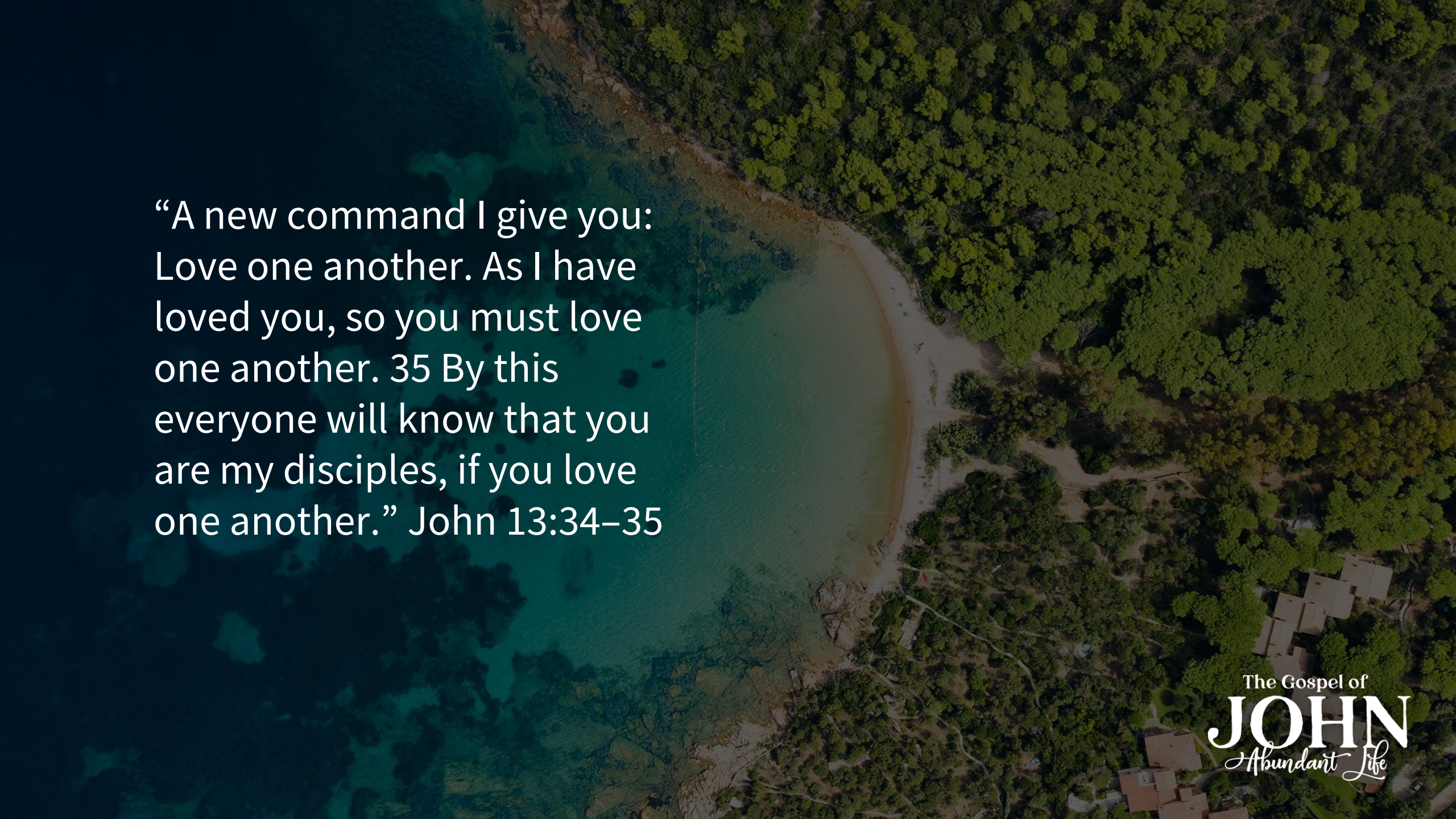


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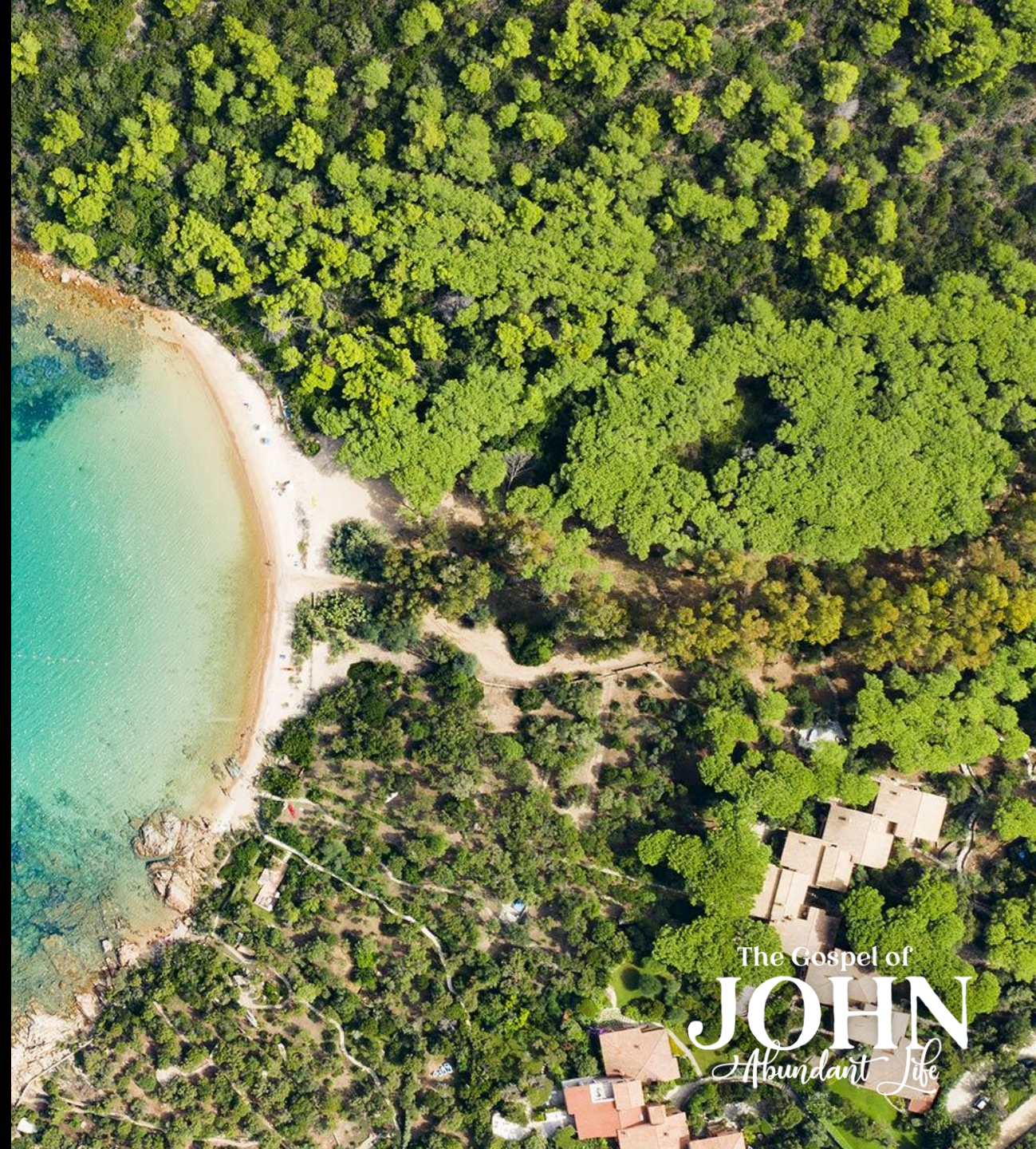


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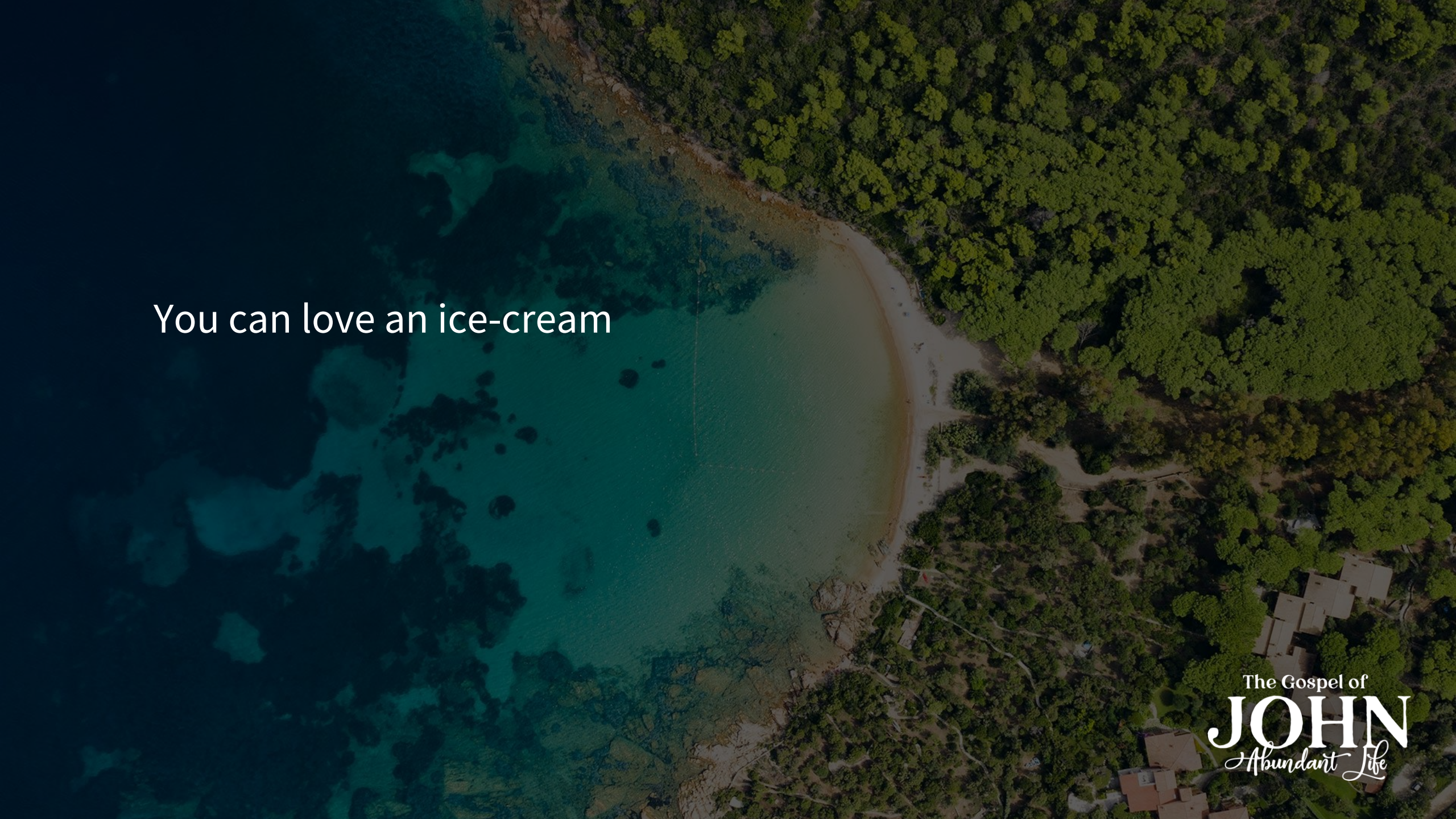
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1. Love

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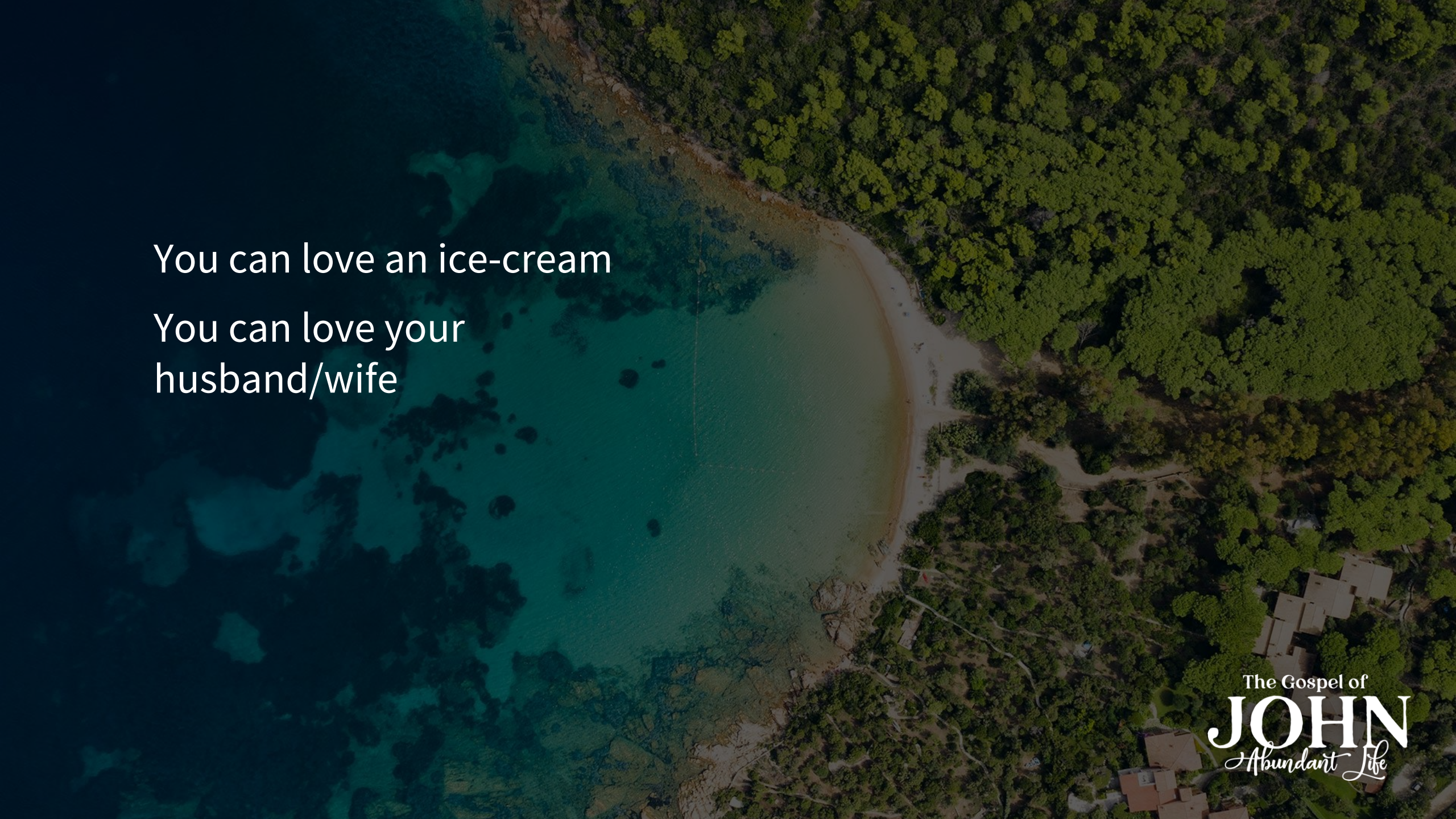


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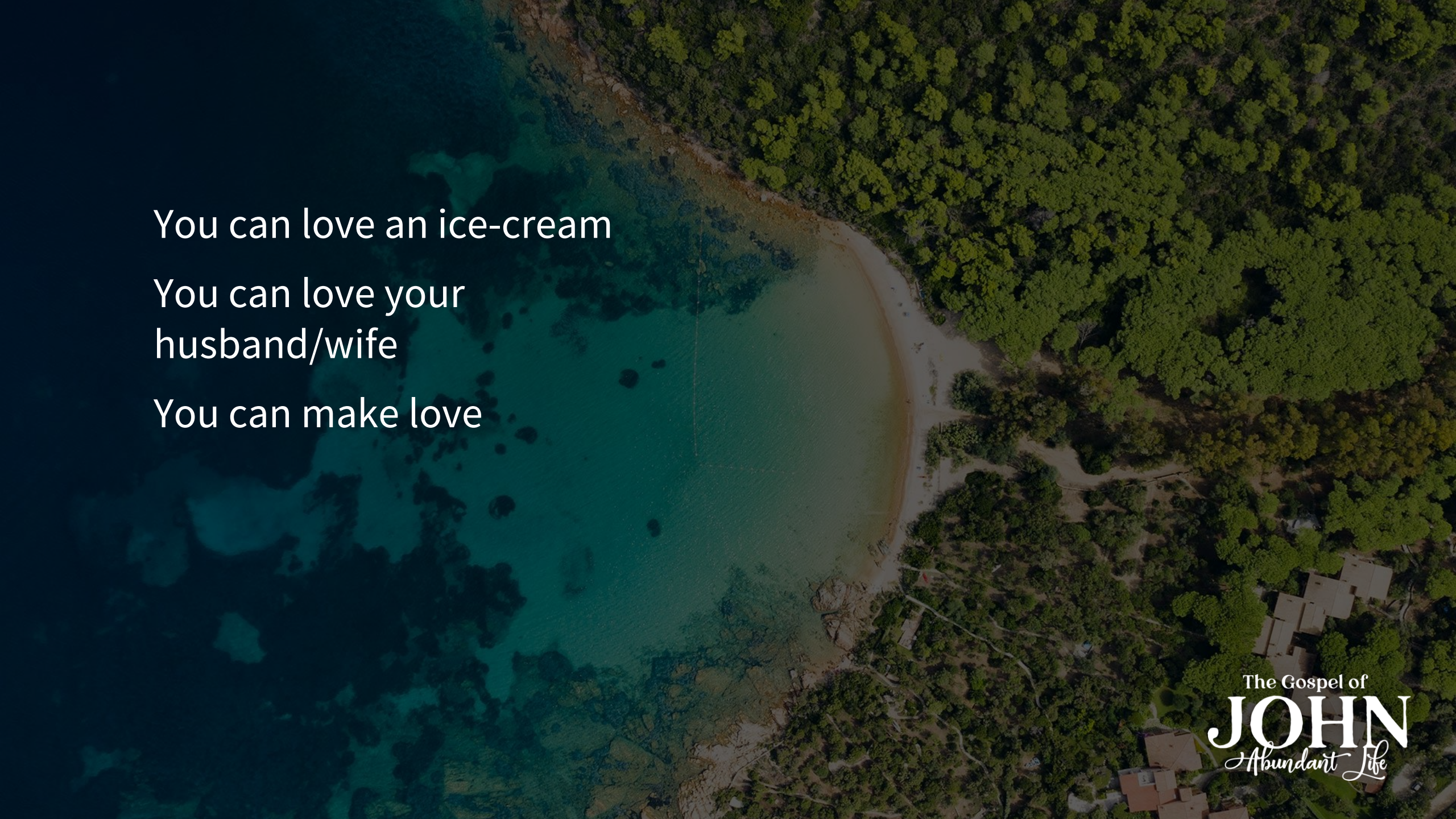
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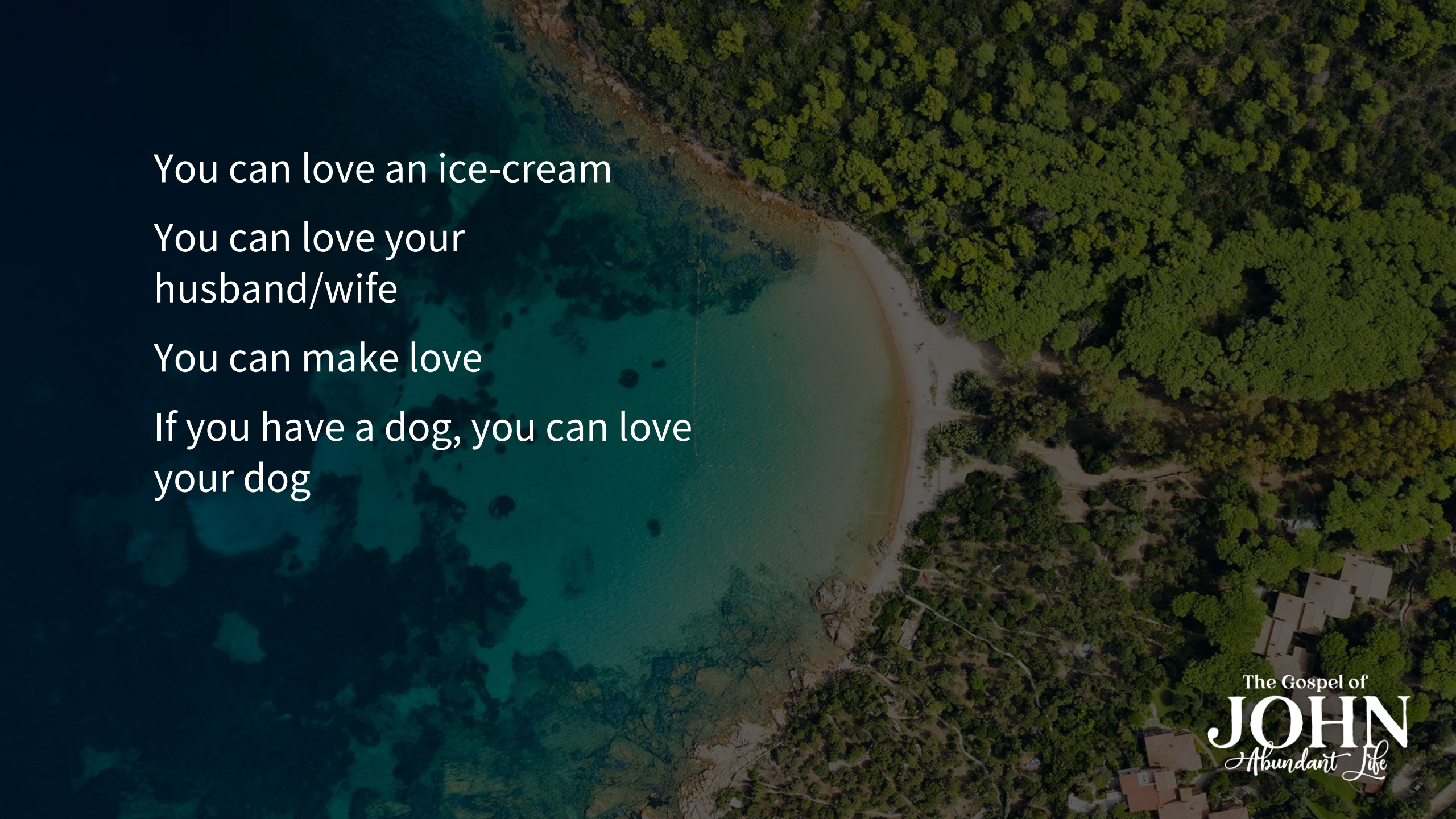
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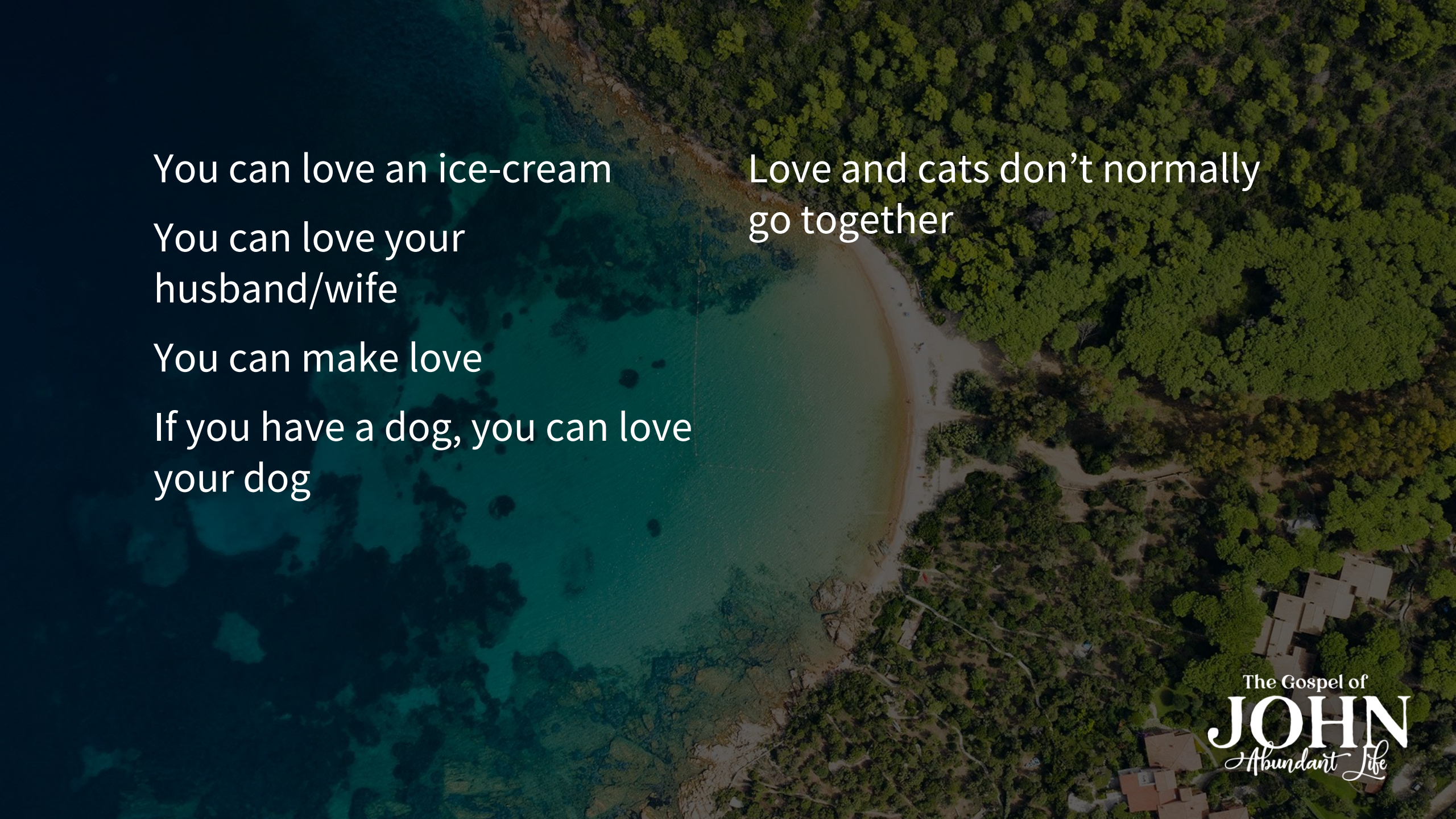
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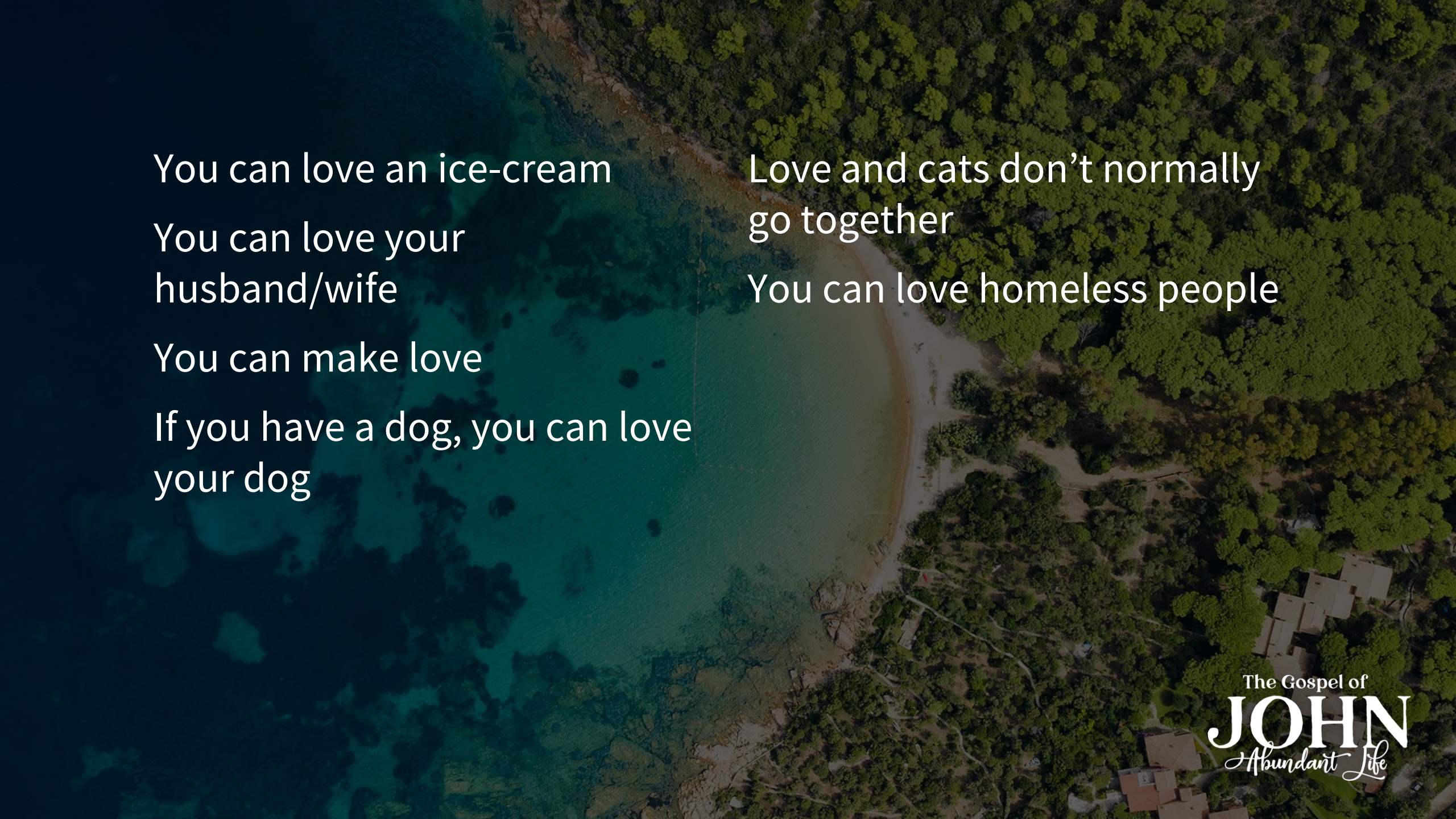
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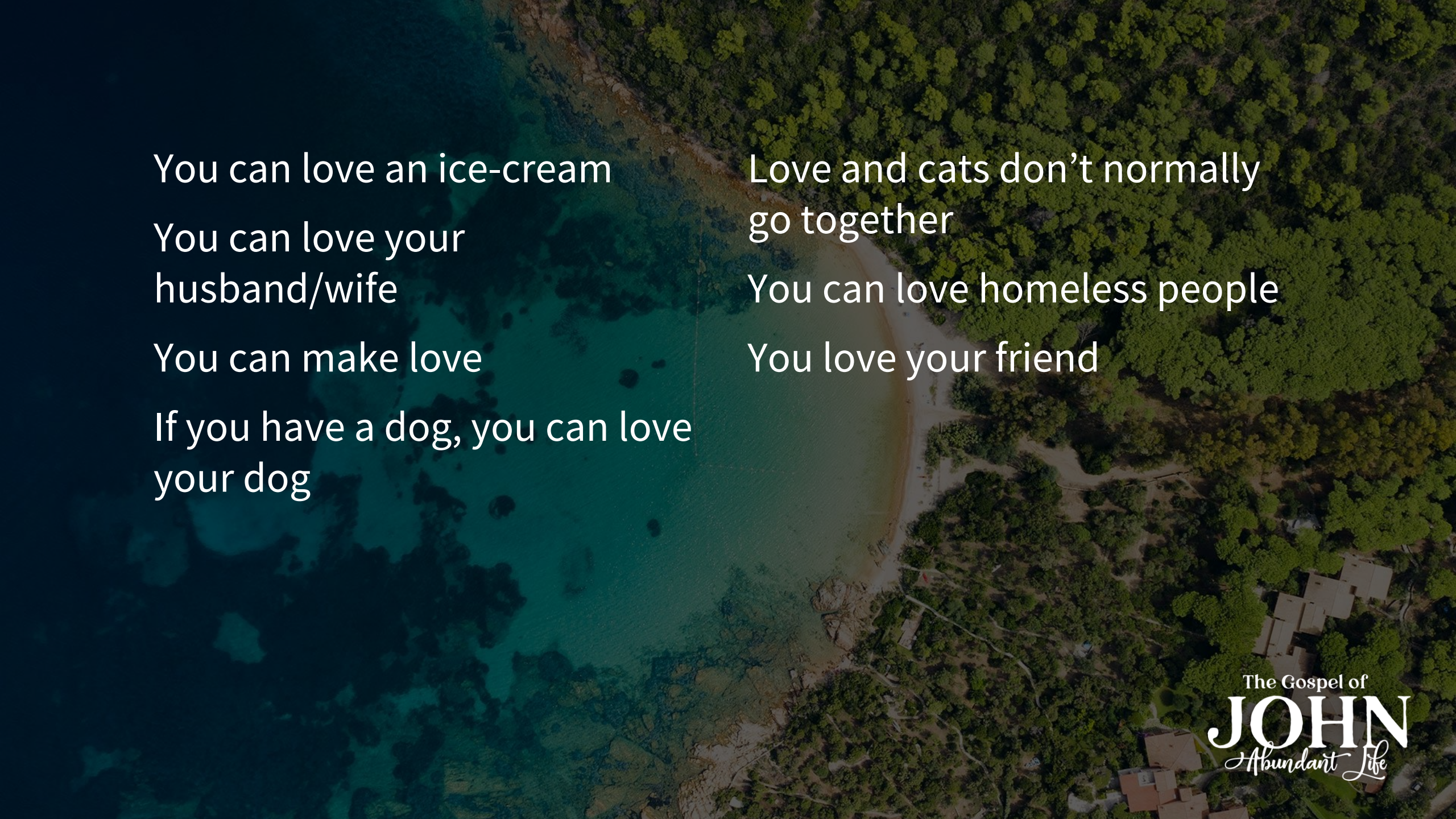
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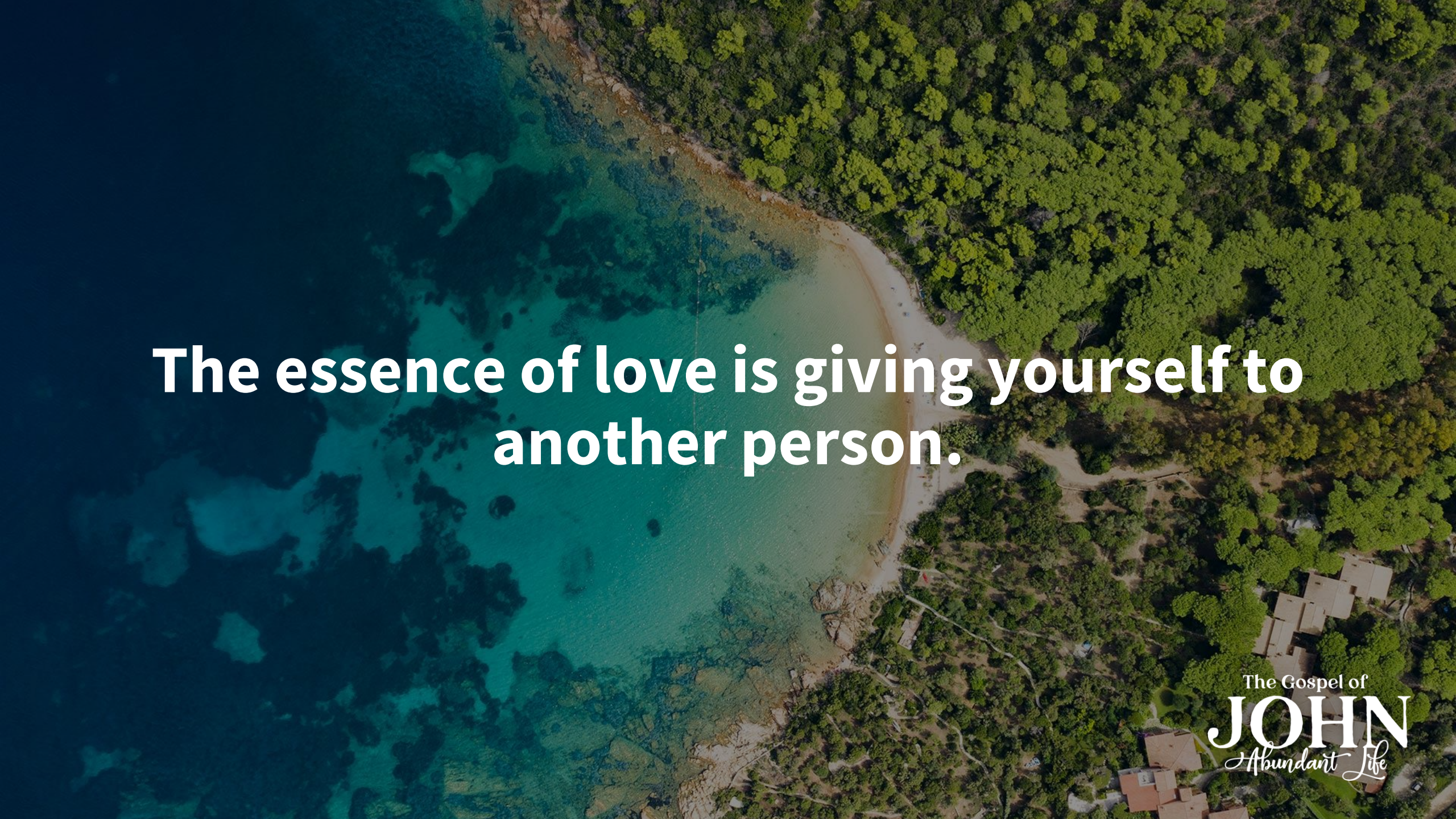
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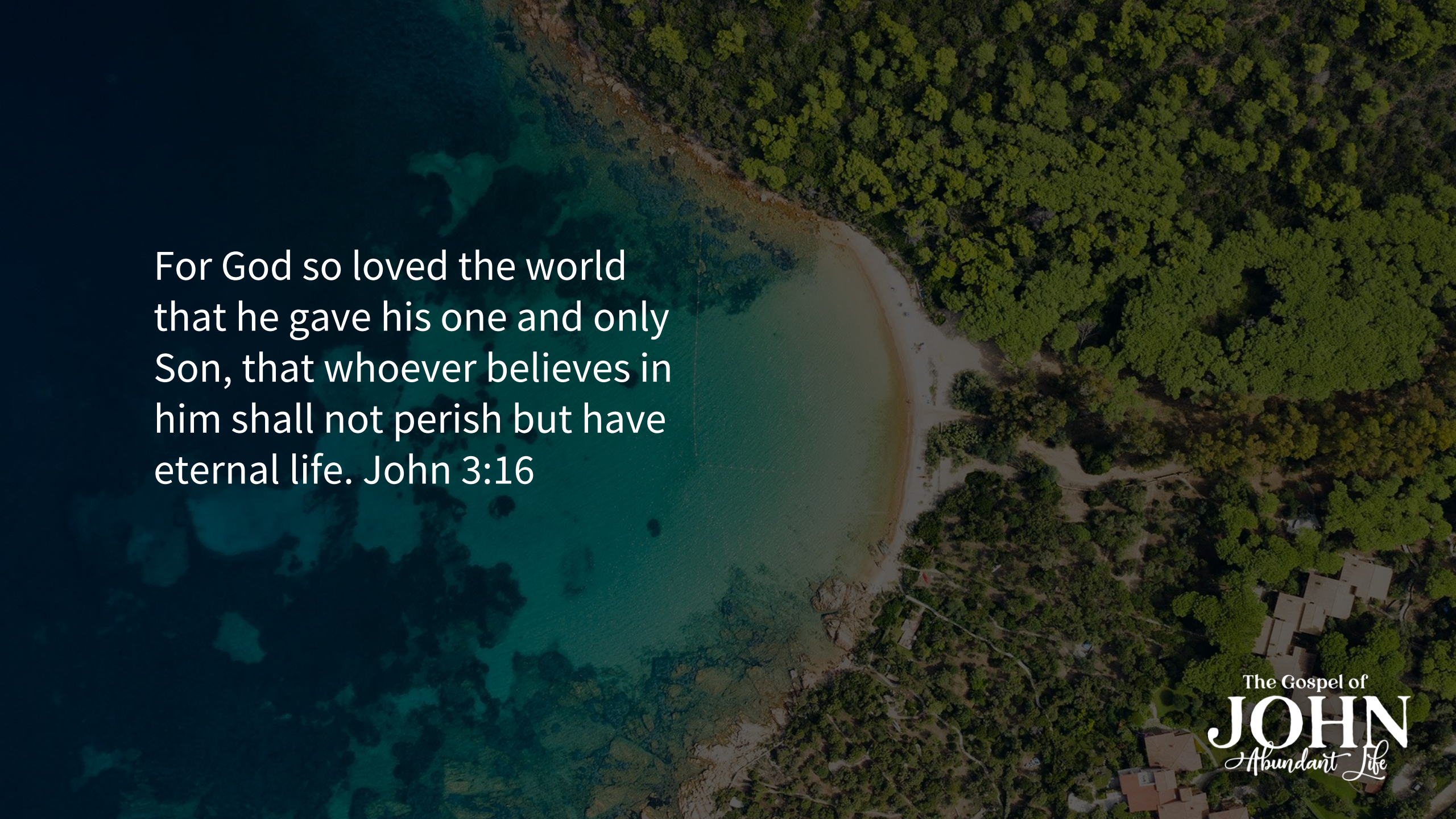
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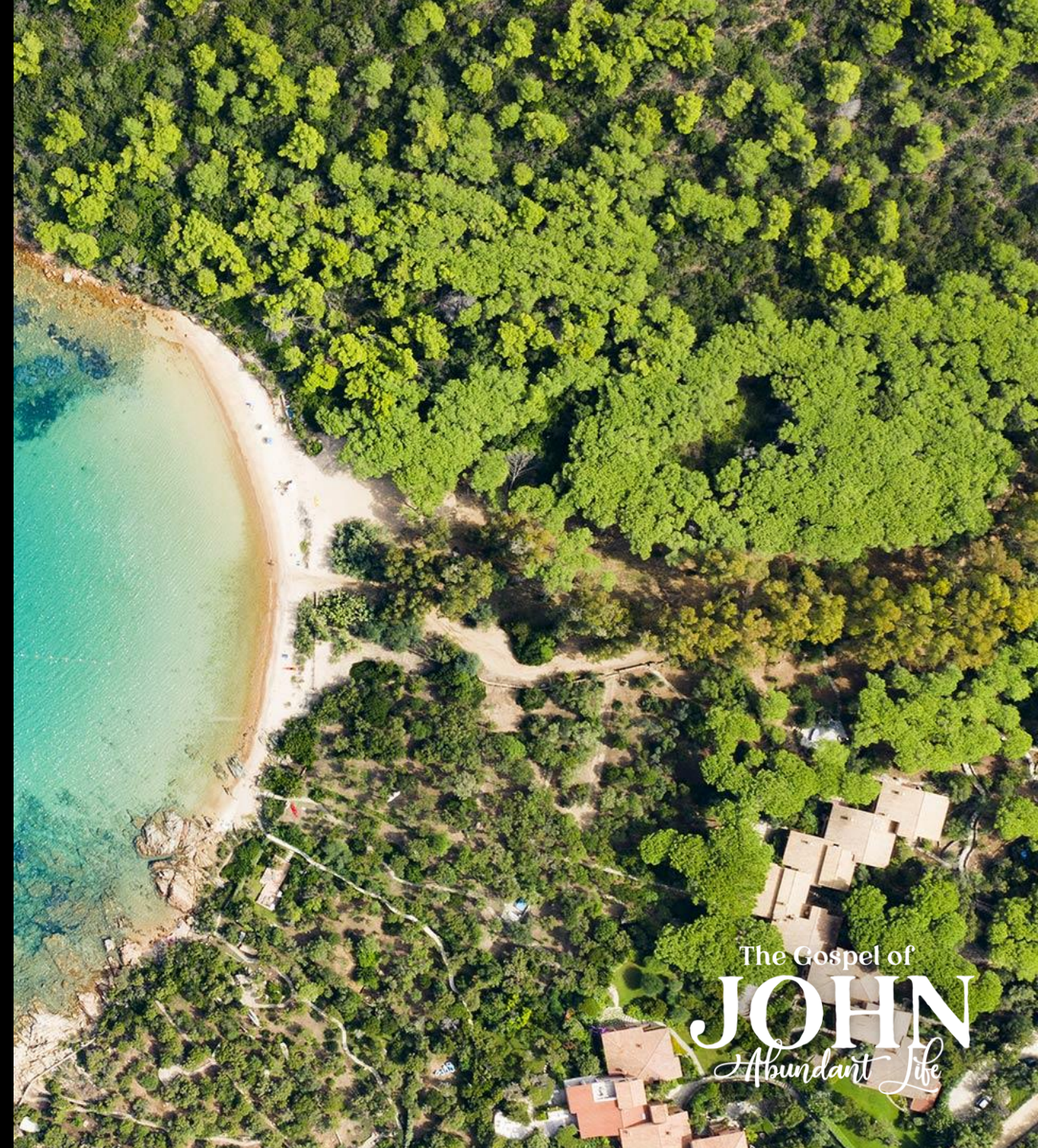
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For God so loved the world
that he gave his one and only
Son, that whoever believes in
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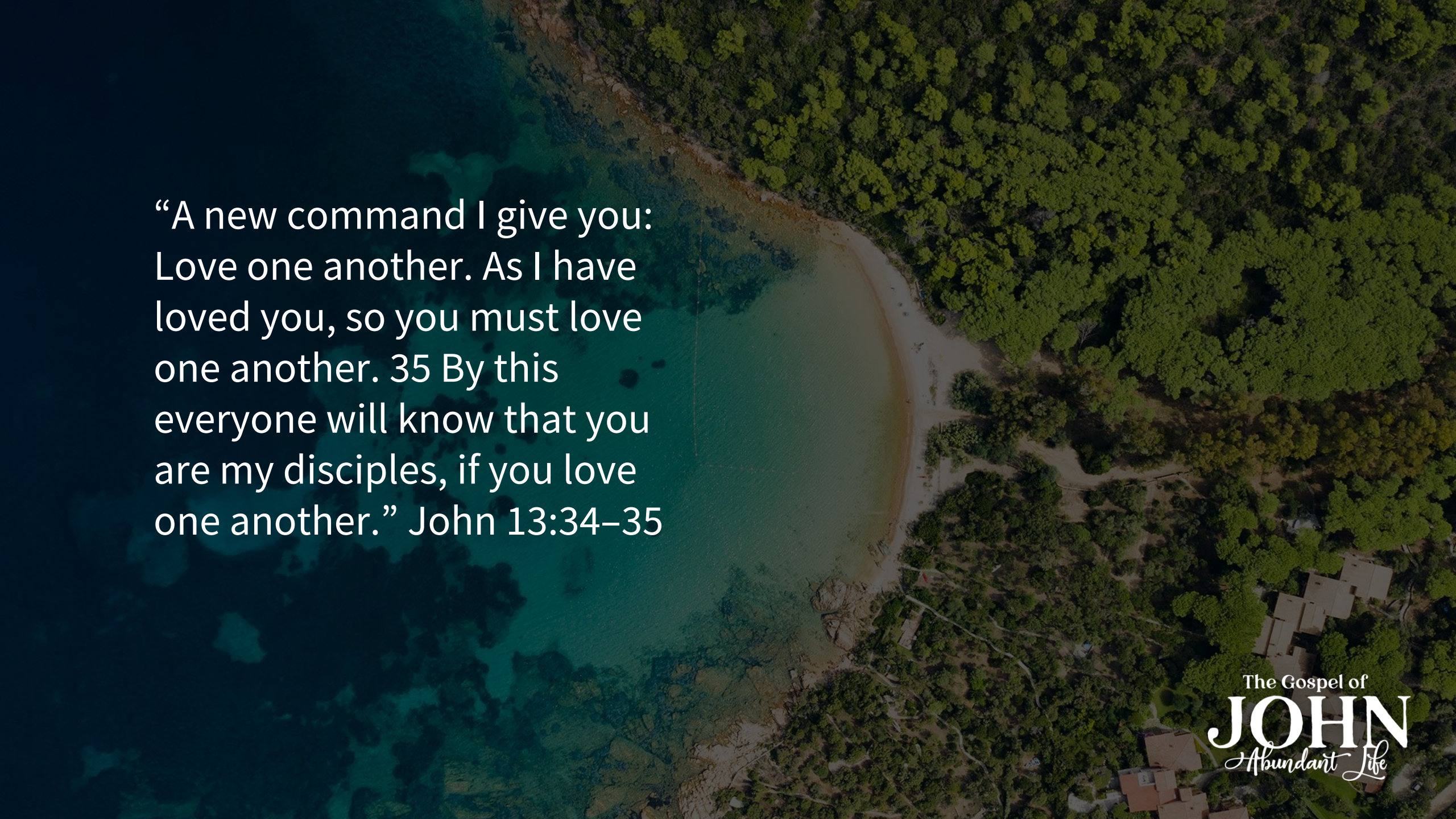
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2. God Always Goes First

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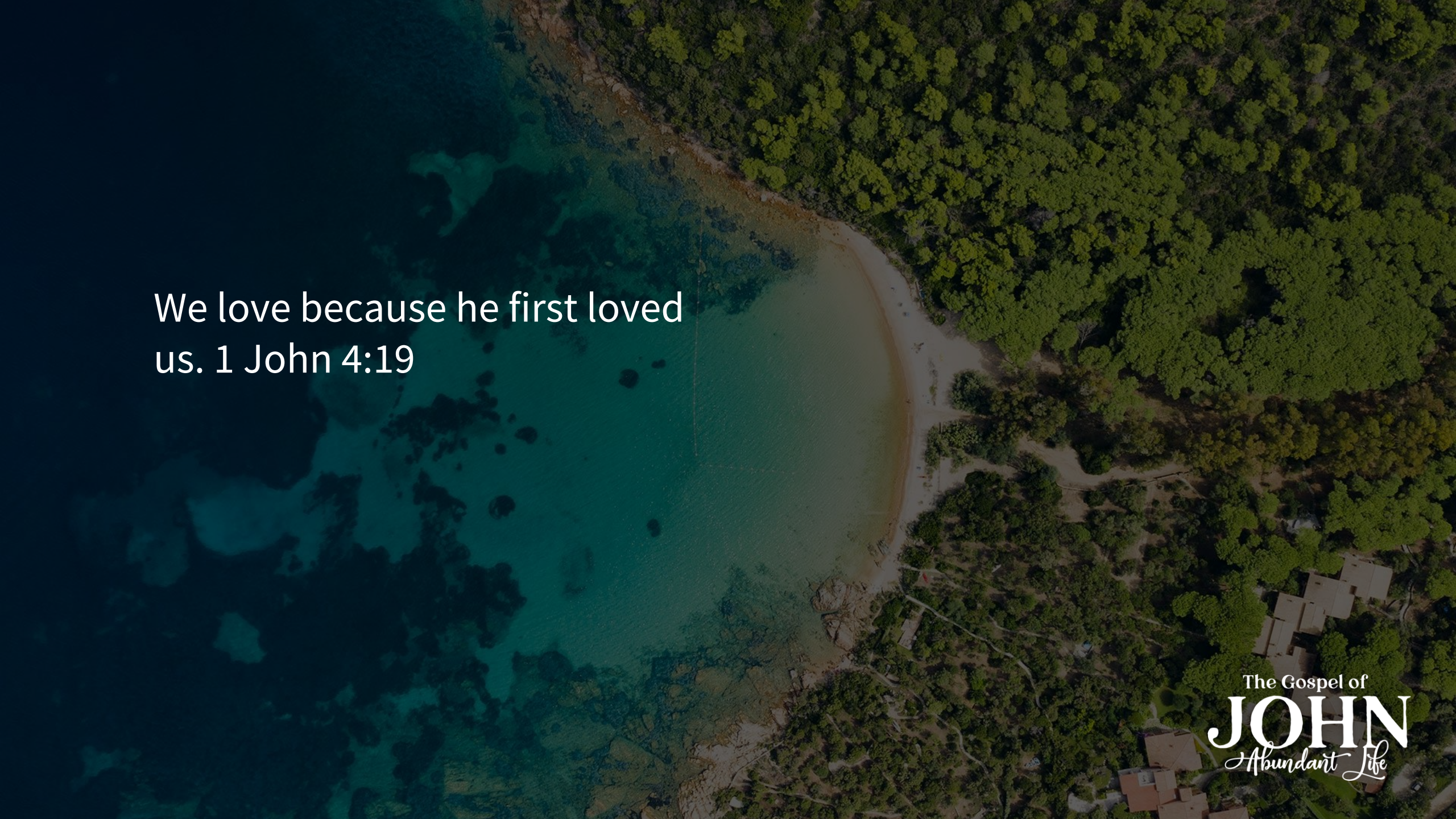


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As it is written: “There is no one righteous, not even one; 11 there is no one who understands; there is no one who seeks God. 12 All have turned away, they have together become worthless; there is no one who does good, not even one.” 13 “Their throats are open graves; their

tongues practice deceit.” “The poison of vipers is on their lips.” 14 “Their mouths are full of cursing and bitterness.” 15 “Their feet are swift to shed blood; 16 ruin and misery mark their ways, 17 and the way of peace they do not know.” 18 “There is no fear of God before their eyes.” Romans 3:10–18

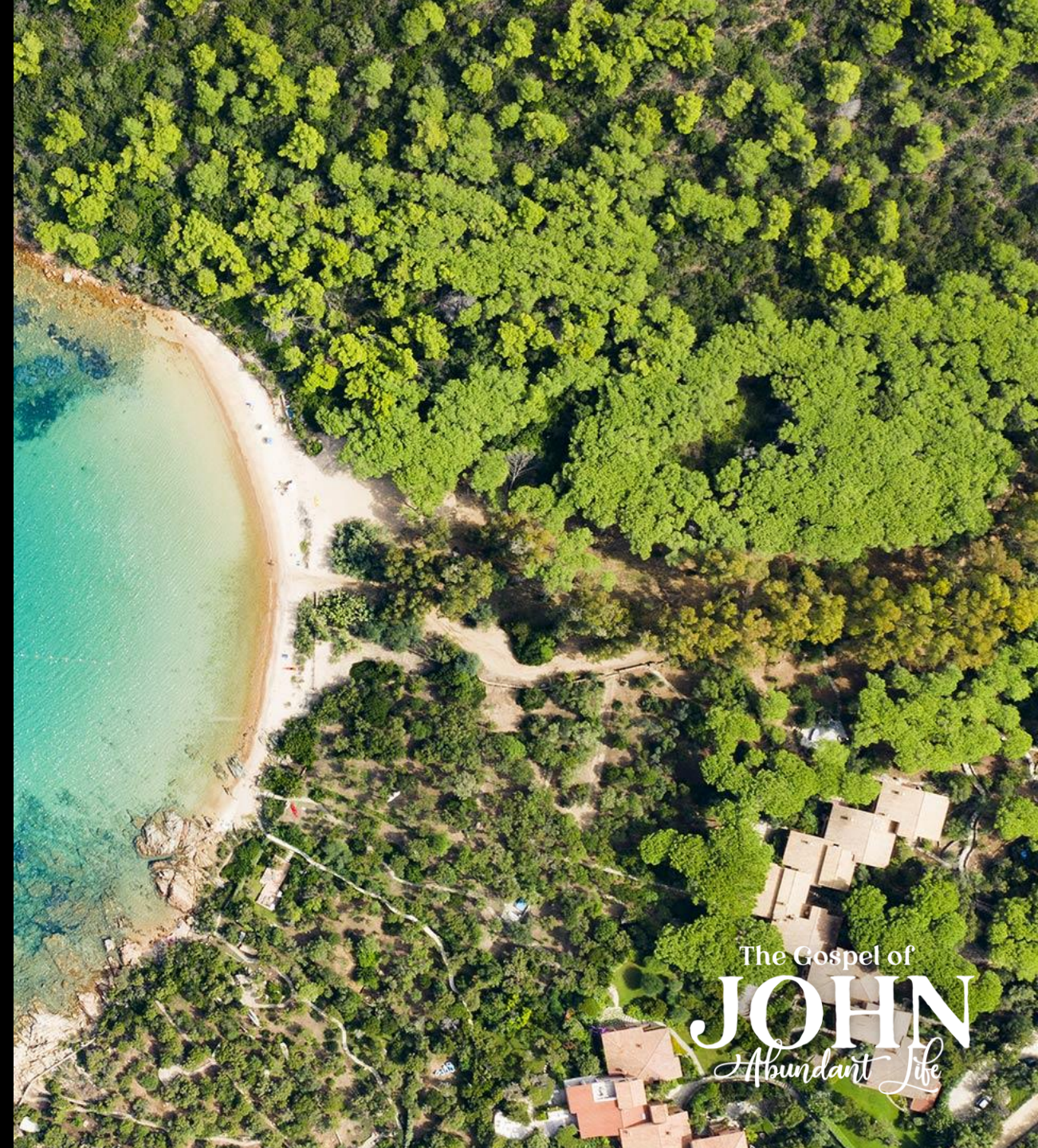
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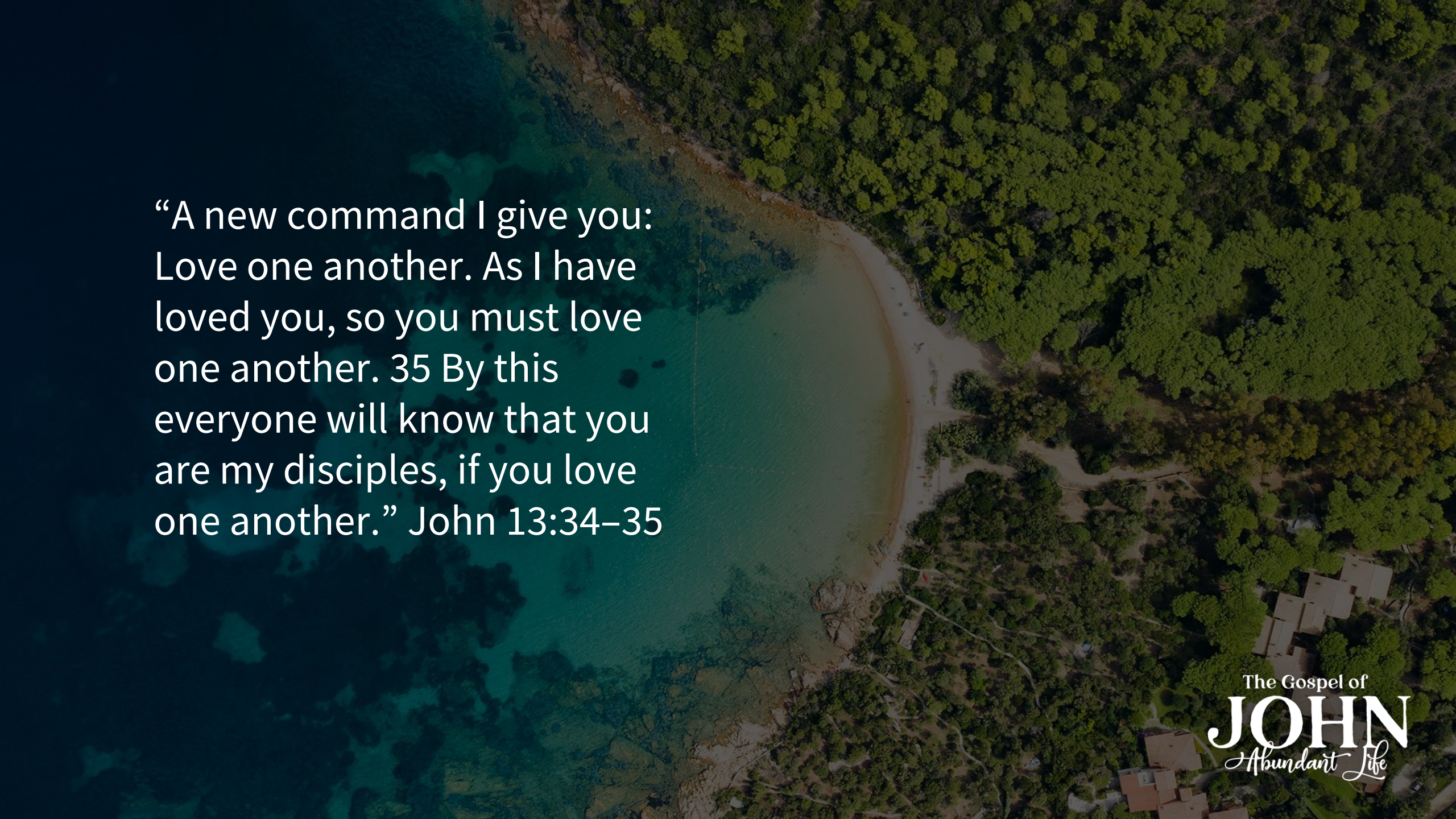
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3. Being Loved and Loving

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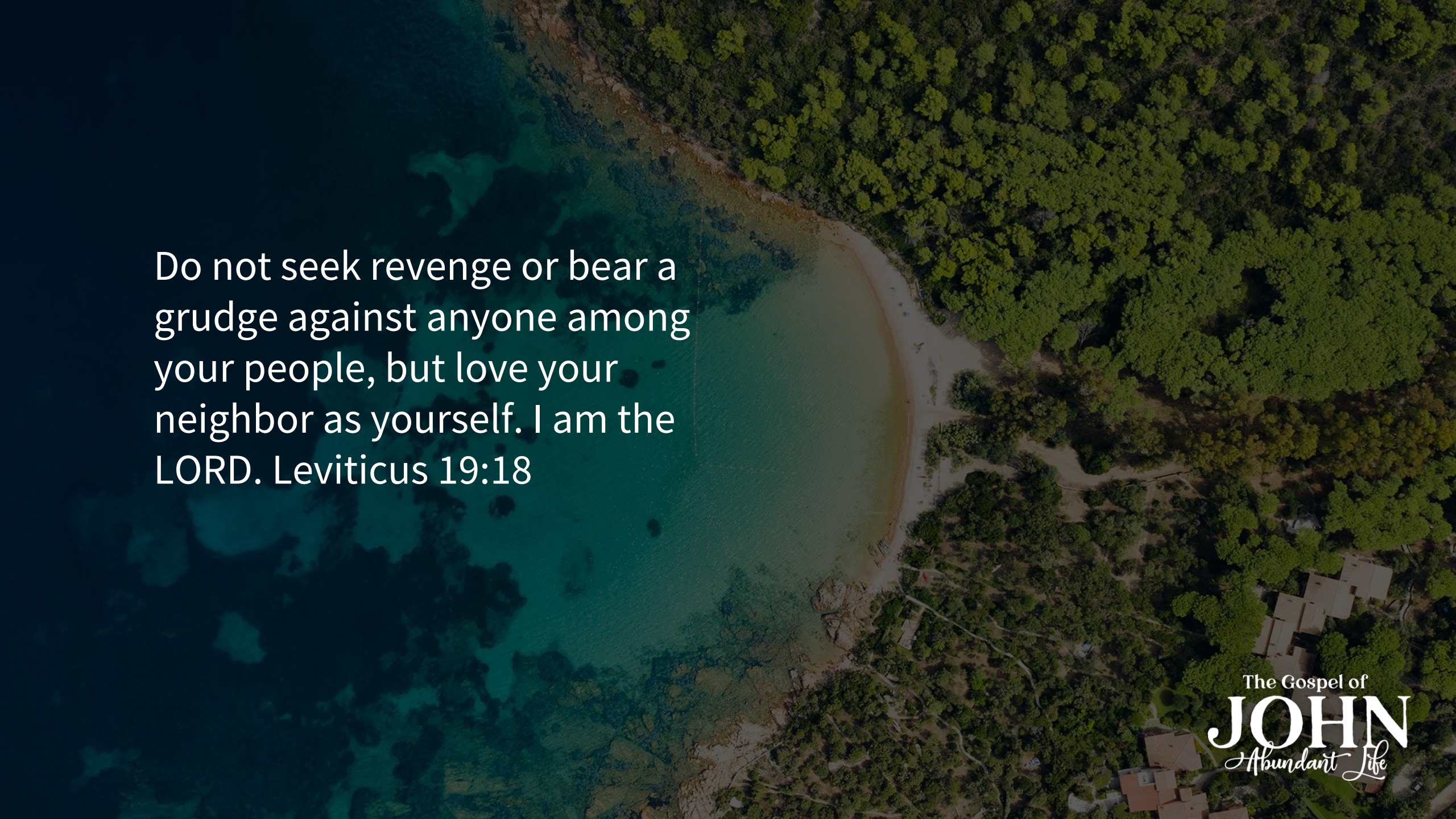
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How do you know what love is?

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Do not seek revenge or bear a
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your people, but love your
neighbor as yourself. I am the
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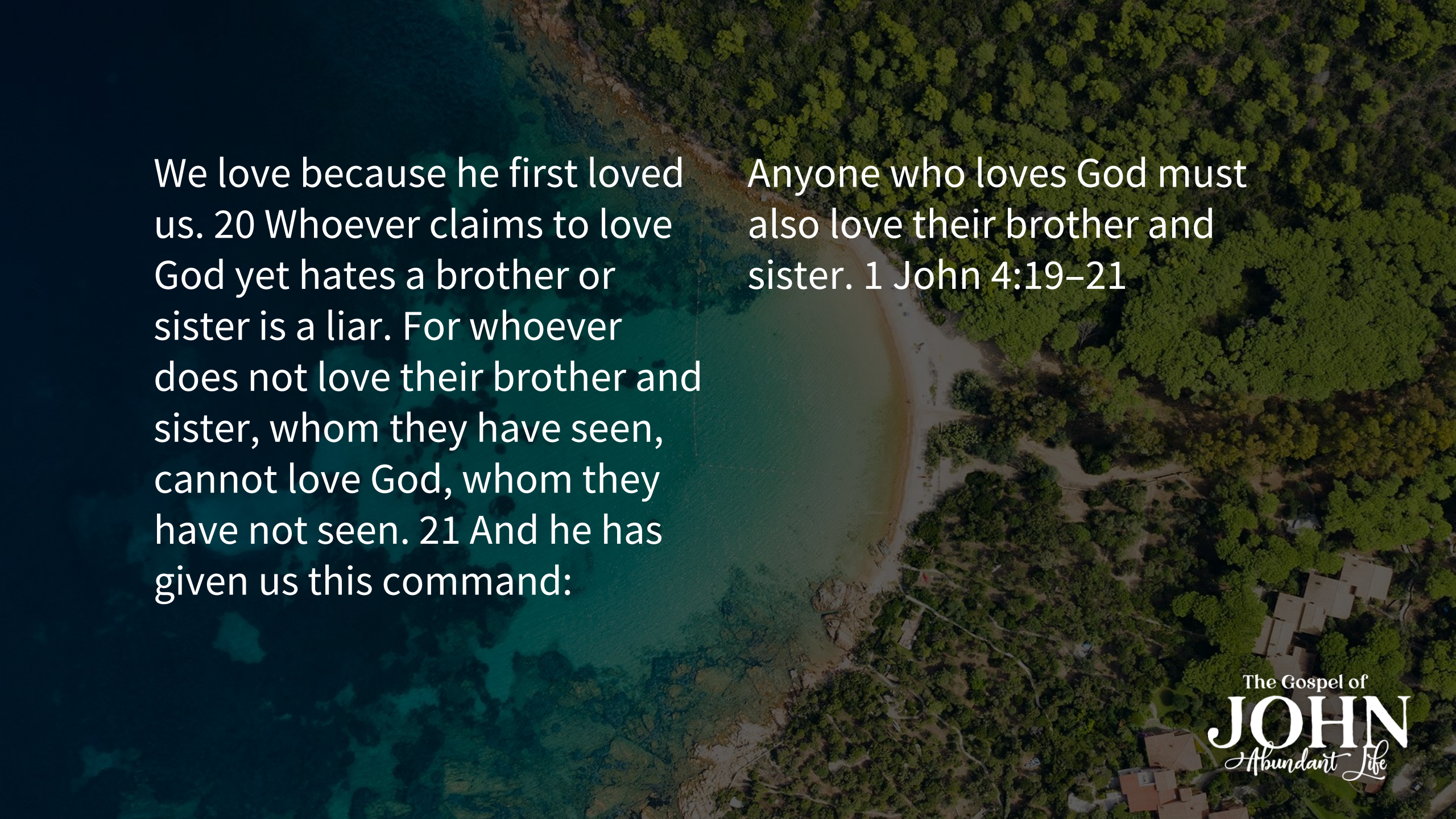
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You love from a place of being loved.

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Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister. 1 John 4:19–21

For this reason I kneel before the Father ... 16 I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, 17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, 18 may have power,

together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, 19 and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. Ephesians 3:14–19