A SERIES IN

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OUR IDENTITY, CALLING, & CONDUCT
TOGETHER IN CHRIST



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WALKING IN LOVE AND LIGHT

Ephesians 5:1–14



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INTRO

EPHESIANS 4:1

1 I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you
to walk in a manner worthy of the calling
to which you have been called,



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INTRO EPHESIANS 4:17a

17 Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that
you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do,



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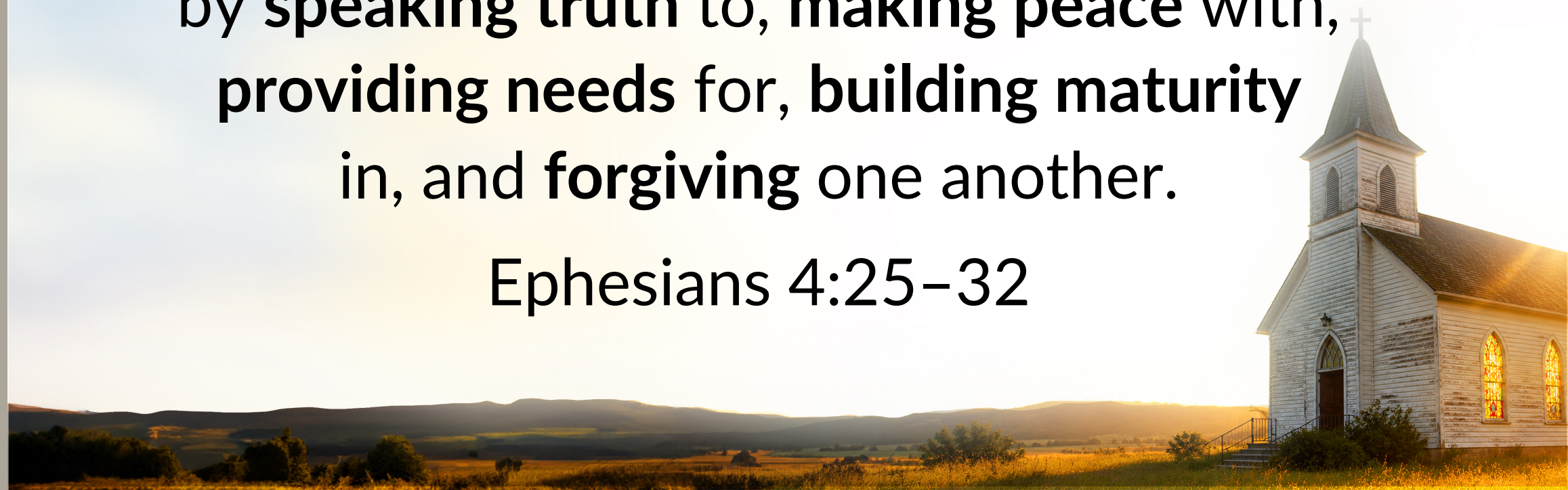
LAST WEEK'S CONCLUSION

We are called to build our body up together
towards Christlike maturity
by **speaking truth** to, **making peace** with,
providing needs for, **building maturity**
in, and **forgiving** one another.

Ephesians 4:25–32



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WALKING IN LOVE AND LIGHT

#1 | Walk in Love

#2 | Walk in Light



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INTRO EPHESIANS 5:1–14

ELEMENTS	LOVE	VERSES	LIGHT	VERSES
Command	Therefore. . . **Walk** in Love	5:1–2	Therefore. . . **Walk** as children of Light	5:8–10
Prohibition	**Must not be named**	5:3–4	**Don't become partners** **Don't participate**	5:7 5:11–12
Warning	**Be sure** of this. . .	5:5	[**Be sure**] of this. . .	5:13
Response	**Let no one deceive** you	5:6	**Awake**. . . **Arise**. . .	5:14

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#1 | WALK IN LOVE

Ephesians 5:1–6



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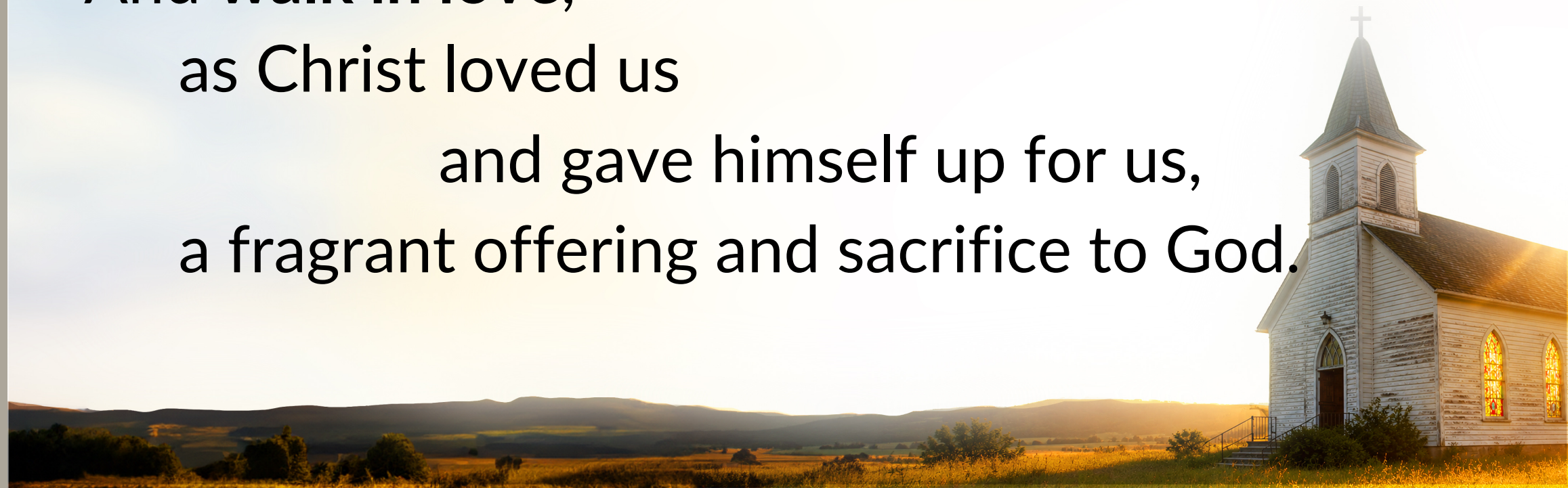
1 Therefore **be imitators of God**,
as beloved children.
2 And **walk in love**,
as Christ loved us
and gave himself up for us,
a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.



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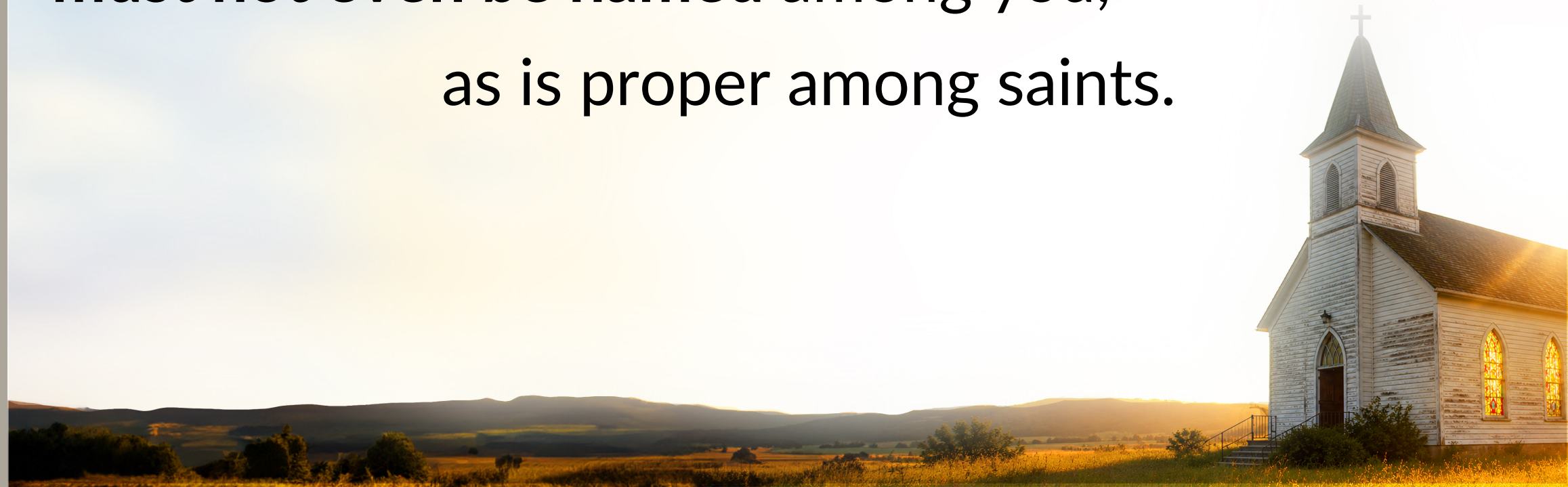
3 But **sexual immorality**
and all impurity or covetousness
must not even be named among you,
as is proper among saints.



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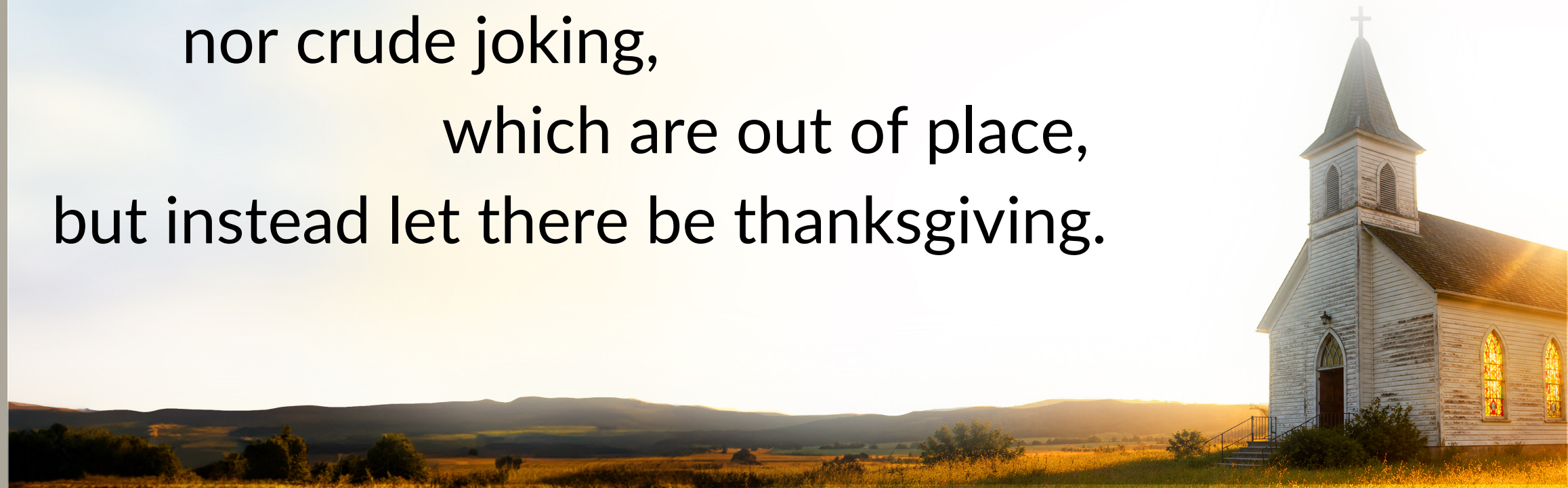
4 Let there be
no filthiness
nor foolish talk
nor crude joking,
which are out of place,
but instead let there be thanksgiving.



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5 For you may be sure of this, that everyone who is
sexually immoral
or impure,
or who is covetous
(that is, an idolater),
has no inheritance
in the kingdom of Christ and God.



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6 Let no one deceive you
with empty words,

for because of these things
the wrath of God comes upon
the sons of disobedience.



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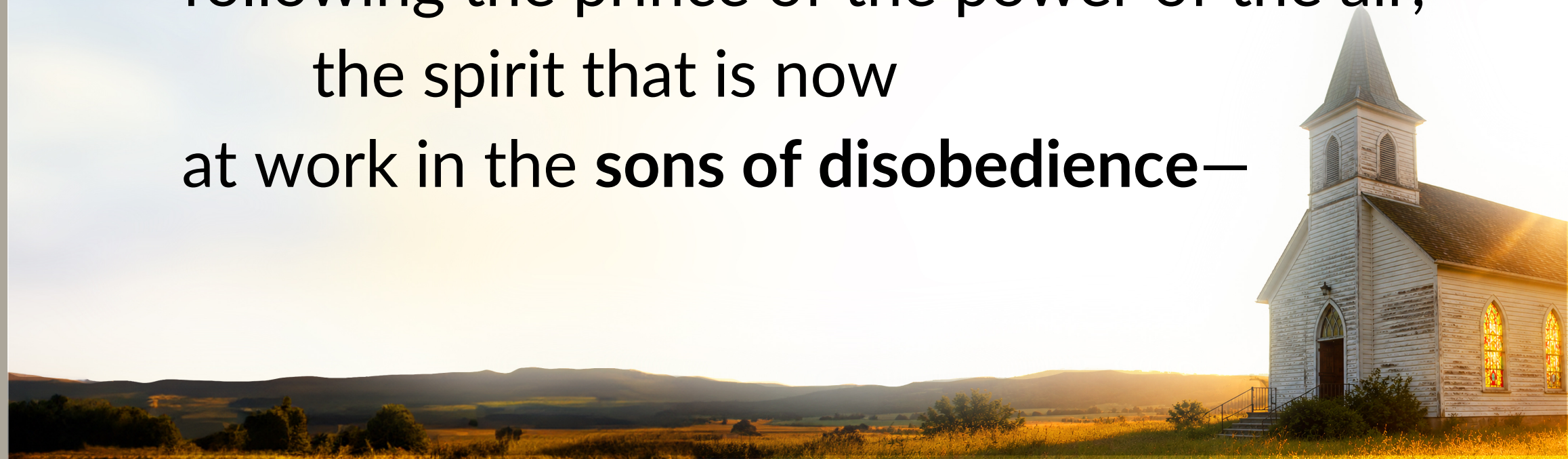
WALK IN LOVE — EPHESIANS 2:1–3

1 And you were dead in the trespasses and sins
2 in which **you once walked**,
following the course of this world,
following the prince of the power of the air,
the spirit that is now
at work in the **sons of disobedience**—



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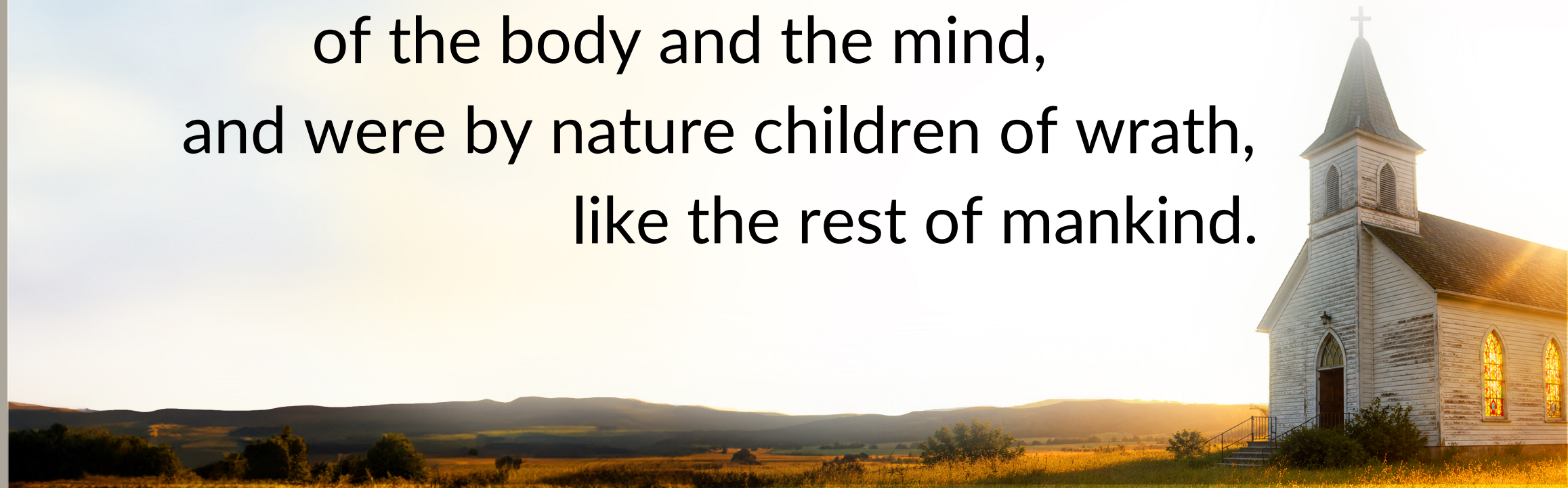
EPHESIANS 2:1–3

3 among whom we all once lived
in the passions of our flesh,
carrying out the desires
of the body and the mind,
and were by nature children of wrath,
like the rest of mankind.



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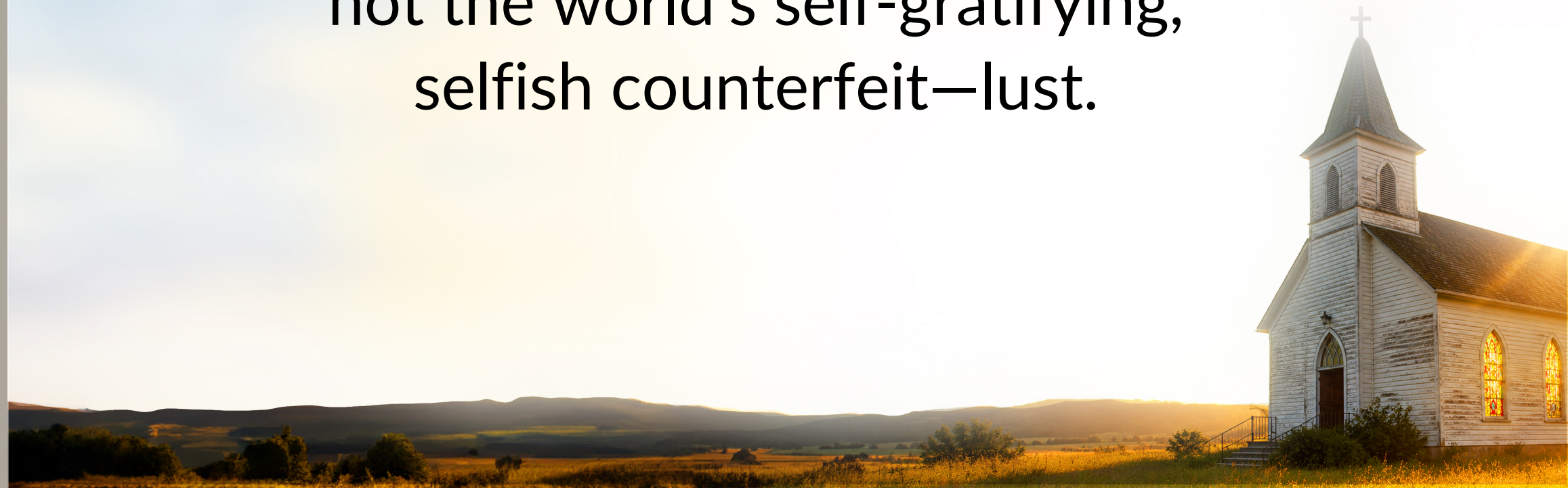

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ROMANS 12:2

2 **Do not be conformed** to this world,

but **be transformed**
by the renewal of your mind,



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JOHN 14:15

15 “If you love me,
you will keep my commandments.



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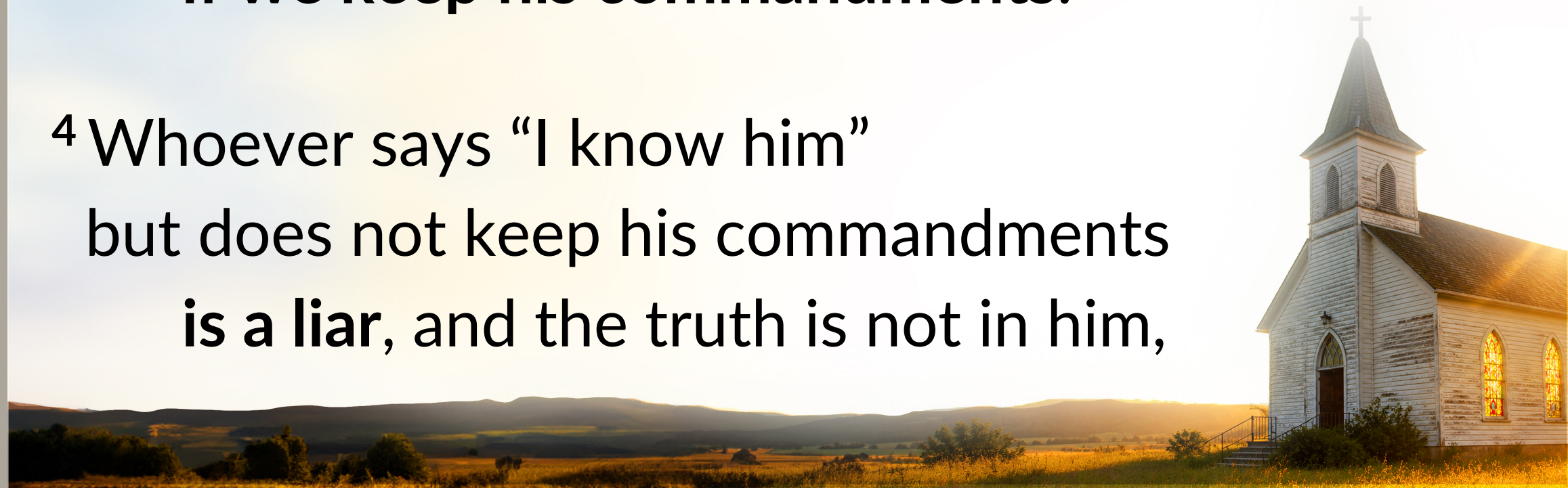
1 JOHN 2:3–4

3 And by this we know that we have come to
know him,
if we keep his commandments.

4 Whoever says “I know him”
but does not keep his commandments
is a liar, and the truth is not in him,



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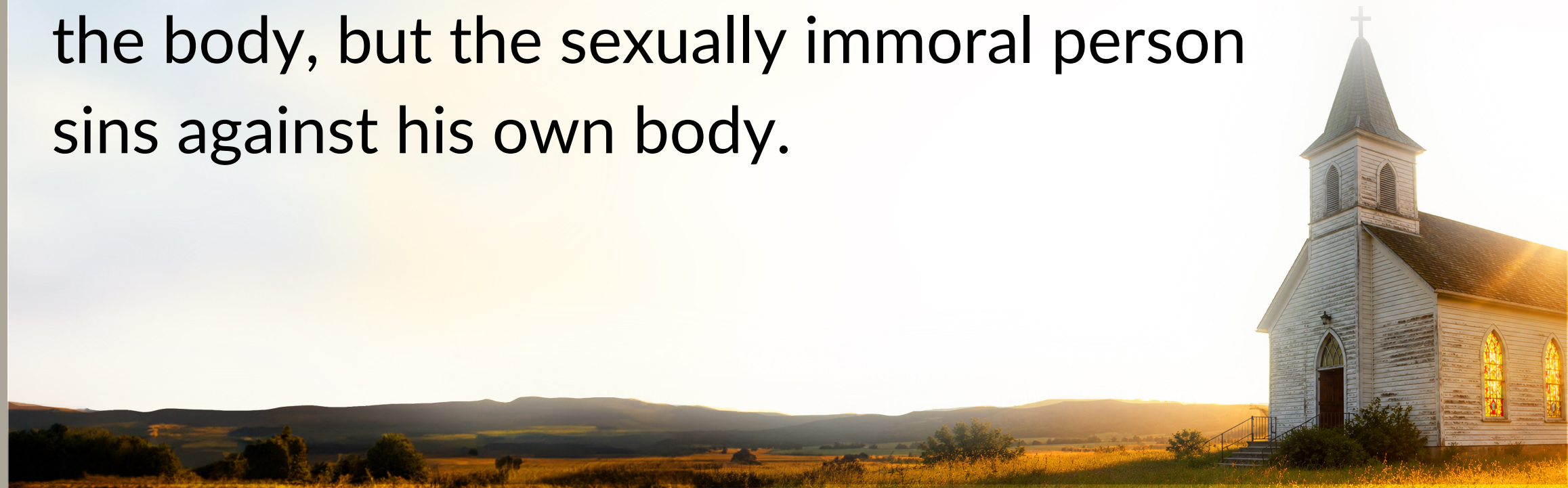
1 CORINTHIANS 6:18

18 **Flee from sexual immorality**.

Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body.



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EPHESIANS 5:7–14

7 Therefore do not become partners
with them;

8 for at one time **you were darkness**,
but **now you are light** in the Lord.

Walk as children of light



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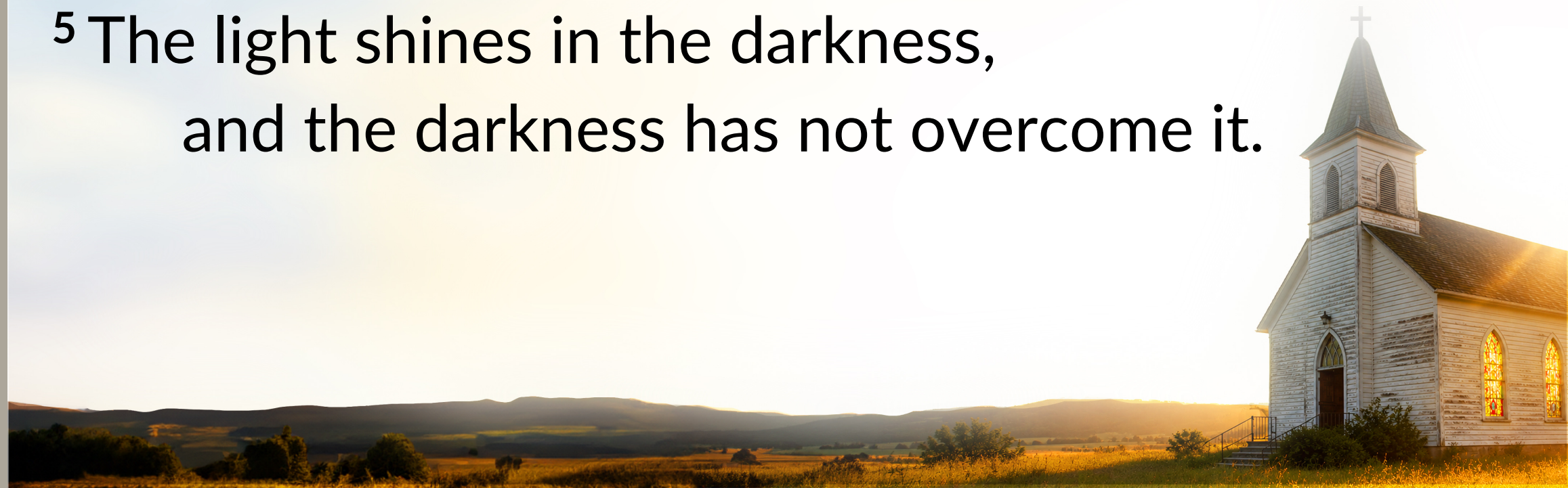
JOHN 1:4–5

4 In him was life,
and **the life was the light of men**.

5 The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness has not overcome it.



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JOHN 8:12

12 Again Jesus spoke to them, saying,
"**I am the light of the world.**
Whoever follows me
will not walk in darkness,
but **will have the light of life.**"



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REVELATION 22:5

5 And night will be no more.
They will need no light of lamp or sun,
for **the Lord God will be their light**,

and they will reign forever and ever.



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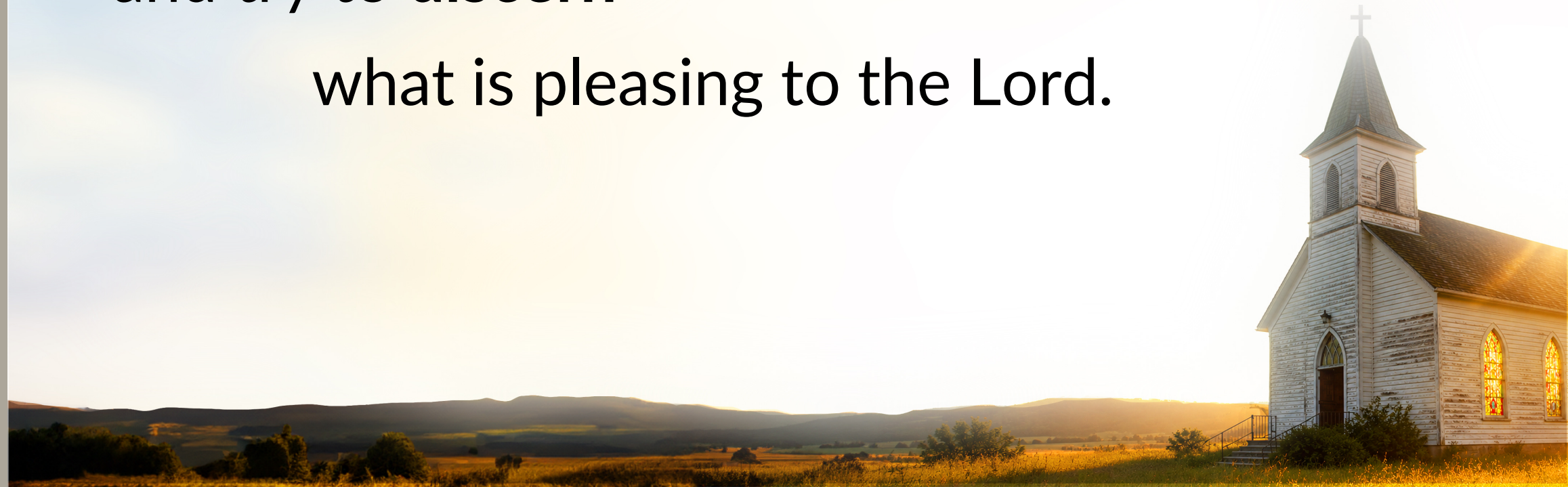
EPHESIANS 5:7–14

9 (for the fruit of light is found
in all that is good and right and true),
10 and try to **discern**
what is pleasing to the Lord.



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7 Therefore **do not become partners**
with them;

11 **Take no part**
in the unfruitful works of darkness,
but instead **expose them**.



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12 For it is shameful even to speak of the
things that they do ***in secret***.



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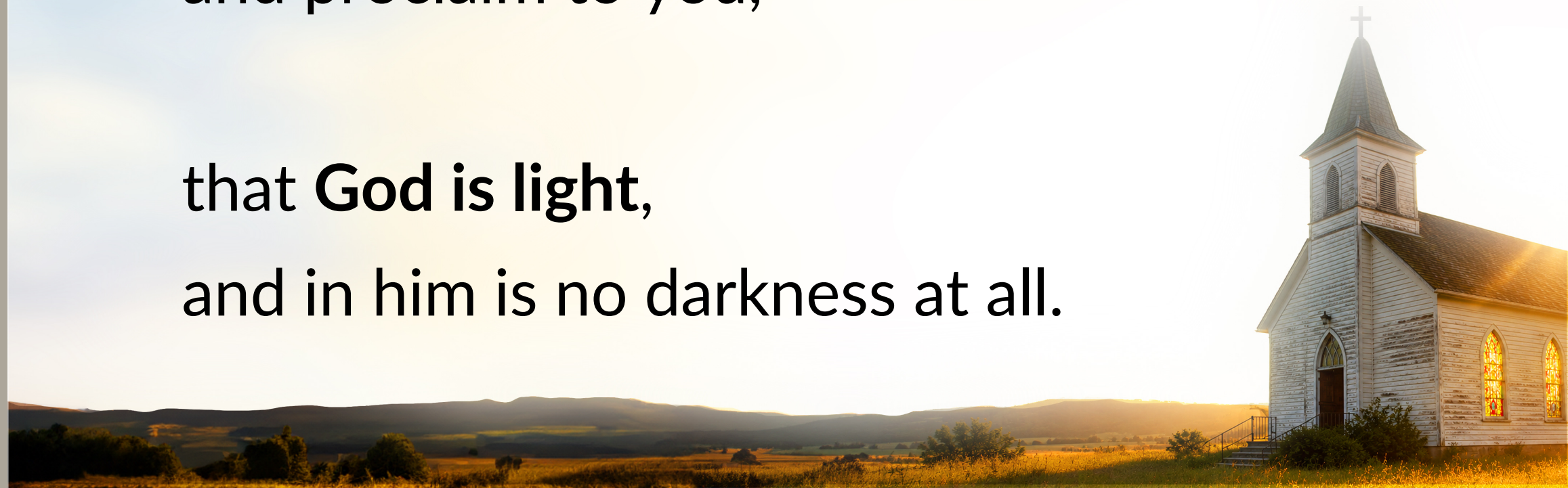
1 JOHN 1:5–7

5 This is the message
we have heard from him
and proclaim to you,

that **God is light**,
and in him is no darkness at all.



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1 JOHN 1:5–7

6 If we say we have fellowship with him
while we walk in darkness,

we lie
and **do not practice the truth**.



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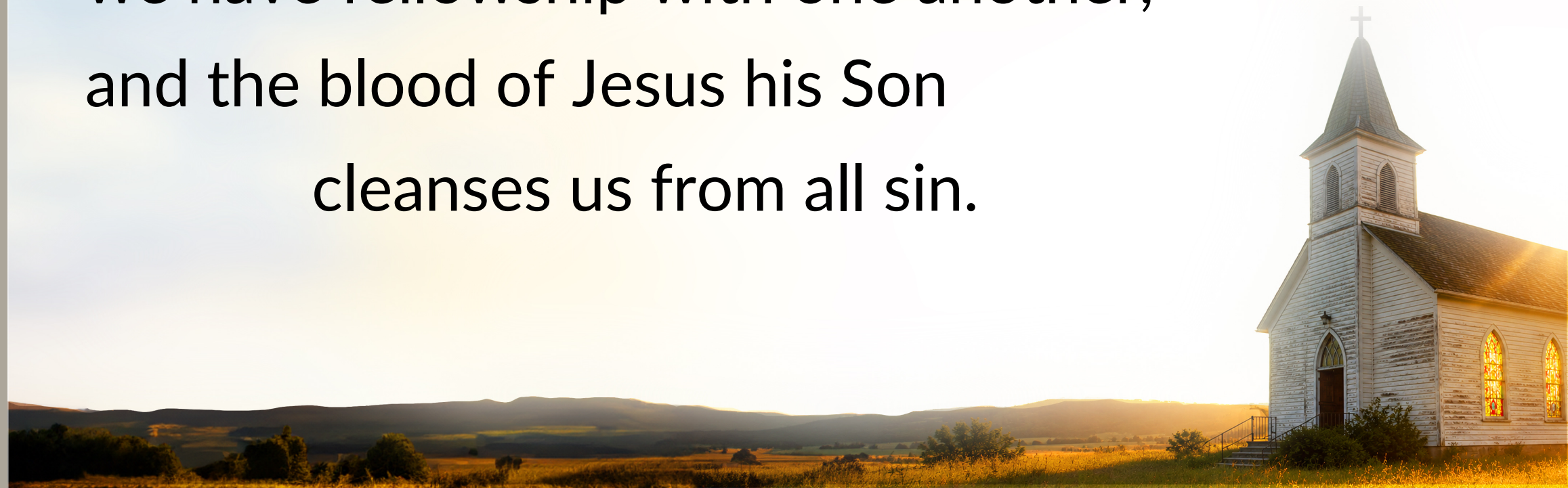
7 But **if we walk in the light**,
as he is in the light,
we have fellowship with one another,
and the blood of Jesus his Son
cleanses us from all sin.



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13 But when anything is exposed by the light,

it becomes visible,



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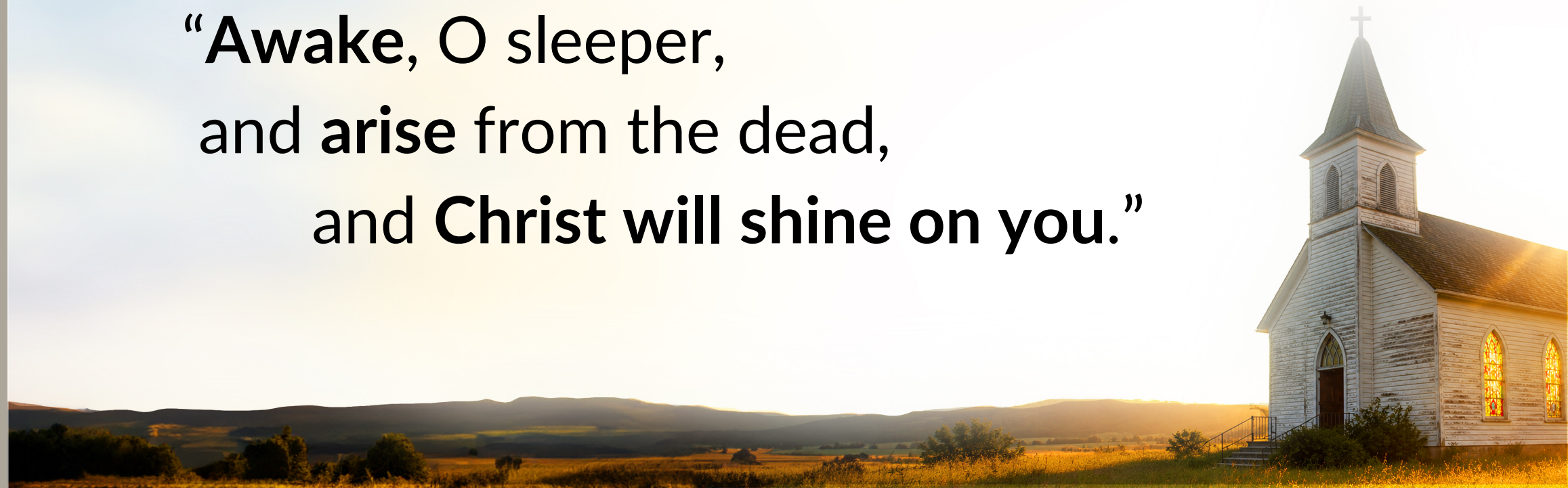
14 for anything that becomes visible **is light**.
Therefore it says,

"**Awake**, O sleeper,
and **arise** from the dead,
and **Christ will shine on you**."



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MATTHEW 5:27–30

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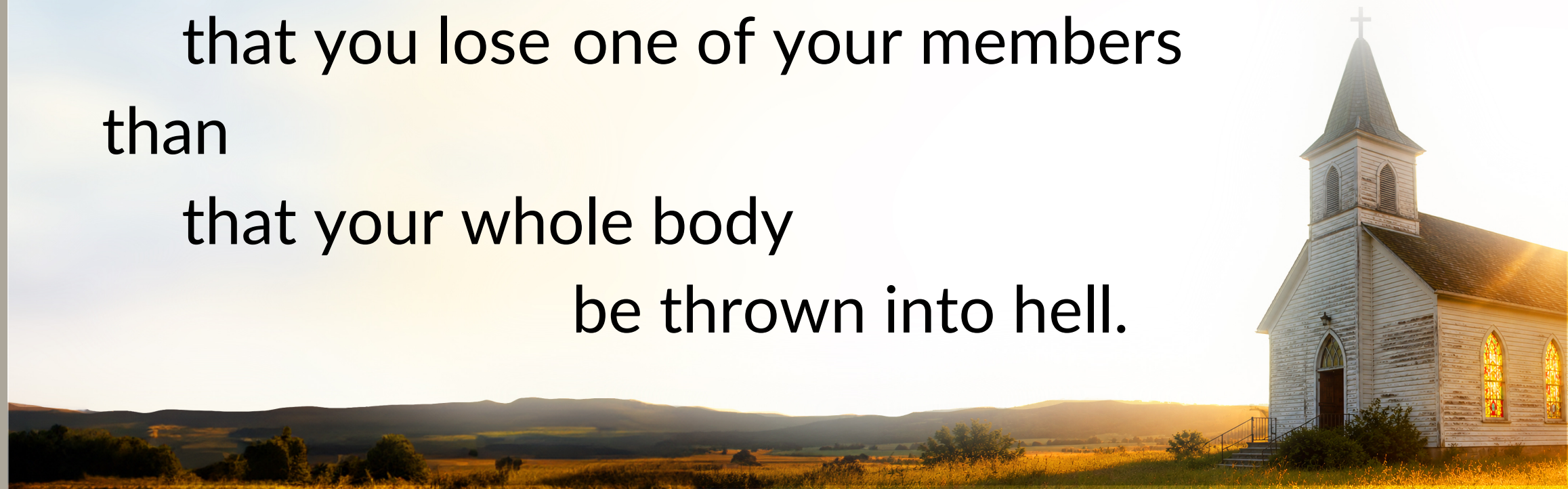
tear it out and throw it away.
For it is better
that you lose one of your members
than
that your whole body
be thrown into hell.



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WALK IN LIGHT — MATTHEW 5:27–30

30 And if your right hand causes you to sin,
cut it off and throw it away.

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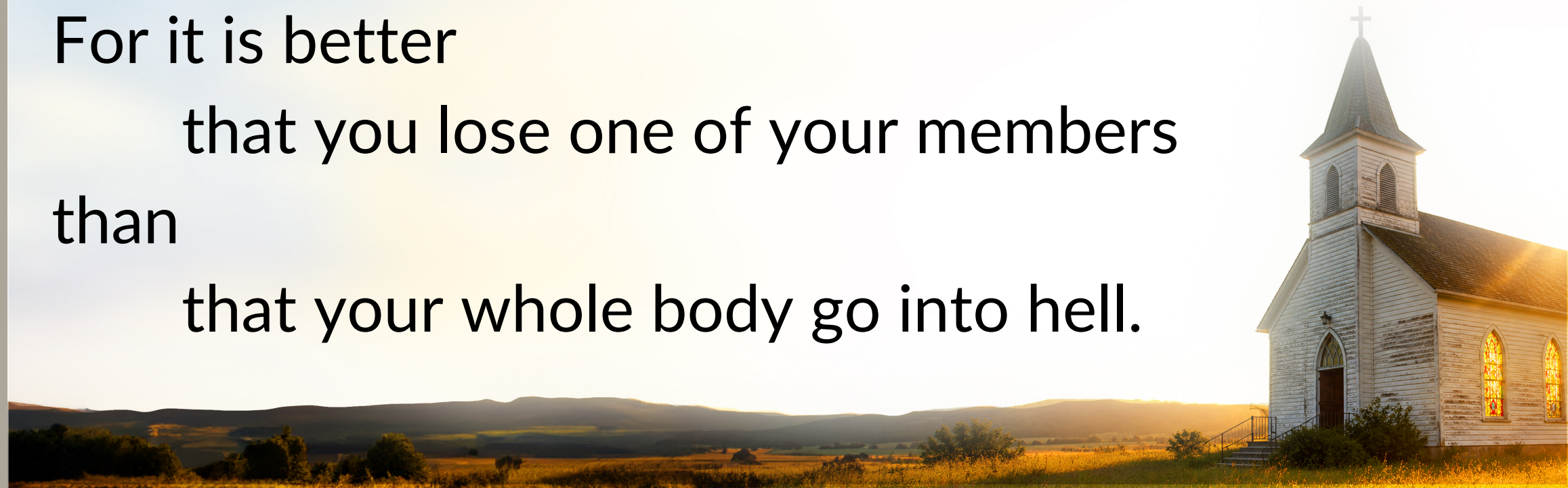
than
that your whole body go into hell.



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WALKING IN LOVE AND LIGHT

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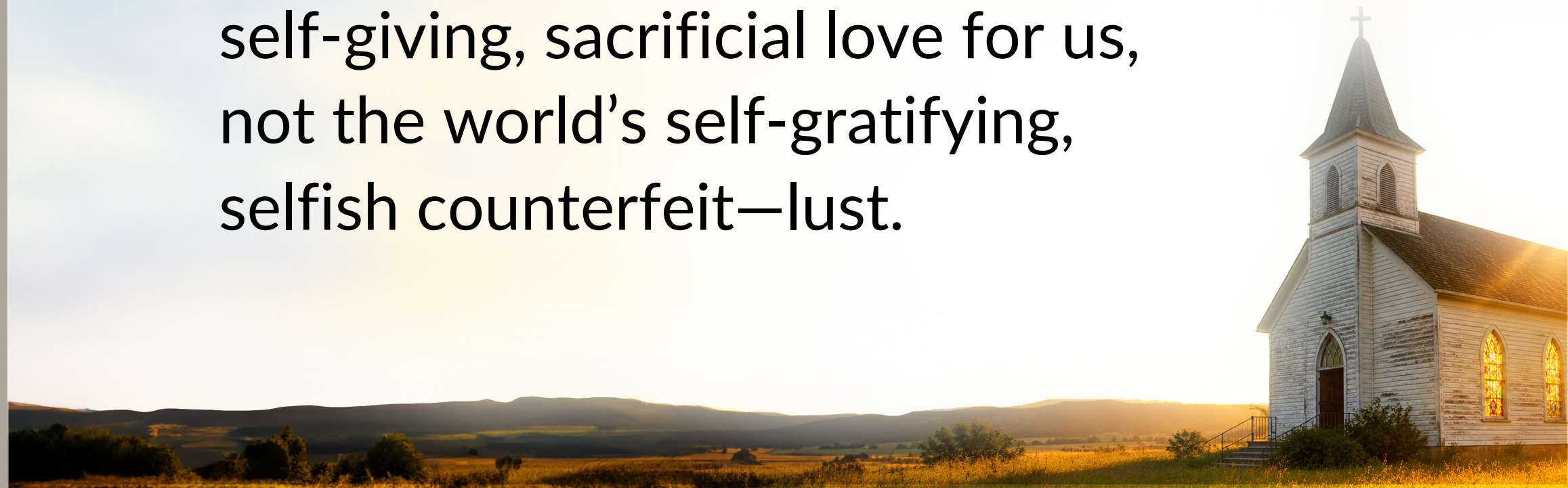

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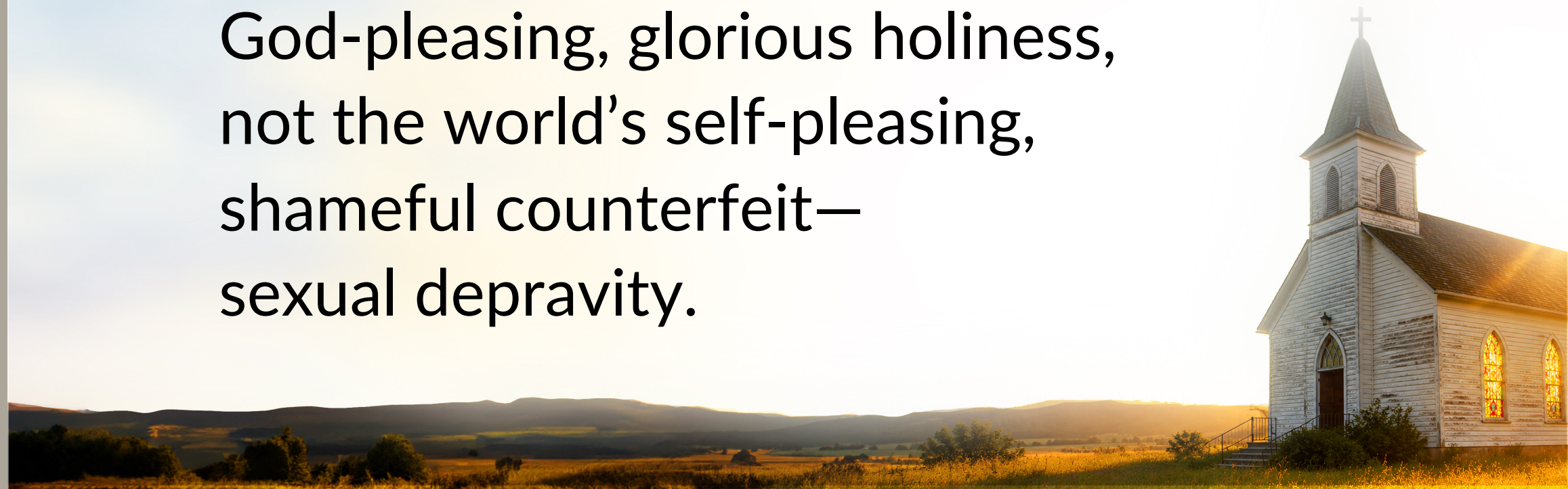

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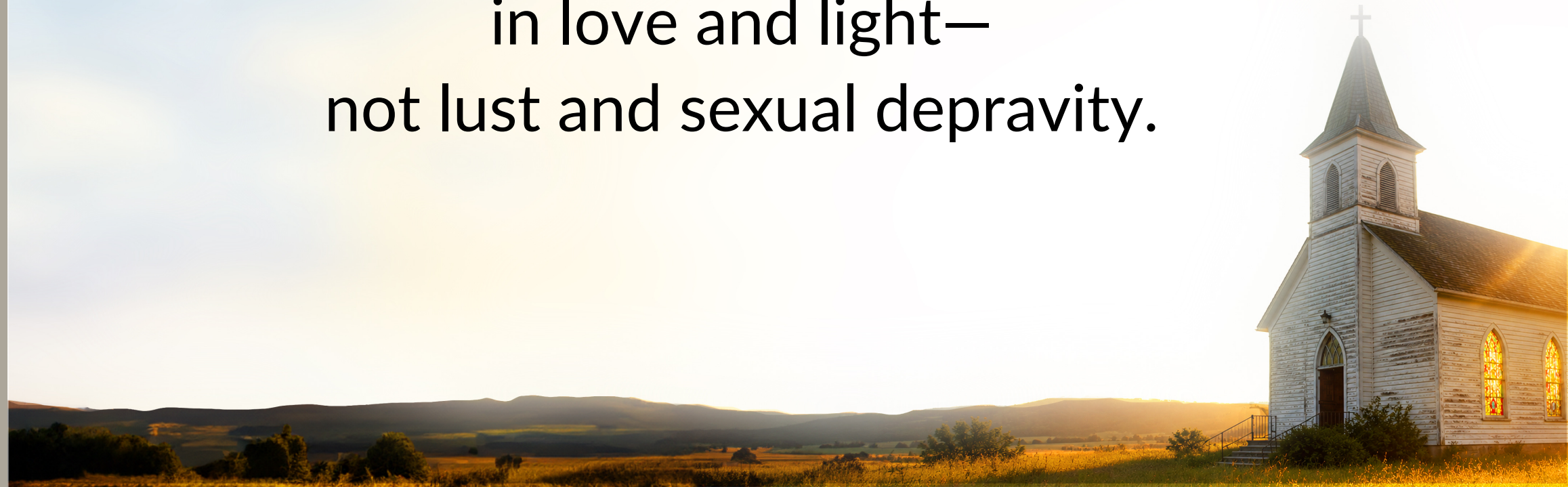
CONCLUSION

We are called to walk
in love and light—
not lust and sexual depravity.



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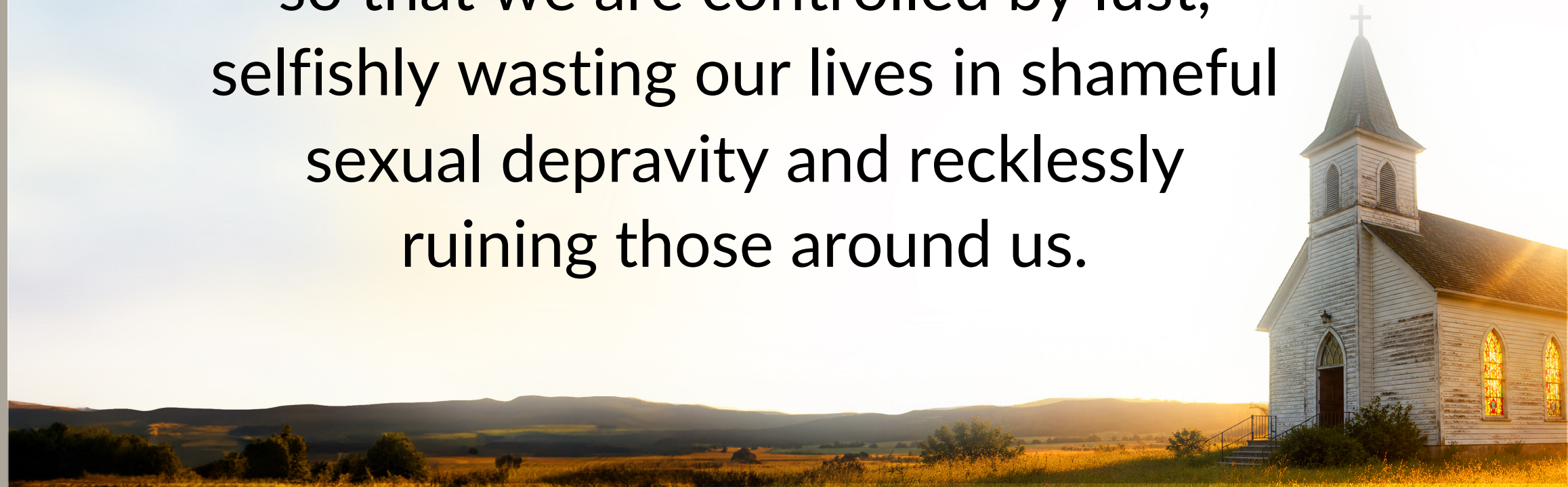
We must resist the temptation to live as idolators who worship ourselves so that we are controlled by lust, selfishly wasting our lives in shameful sexual depravity and recklessly ruining those around us.



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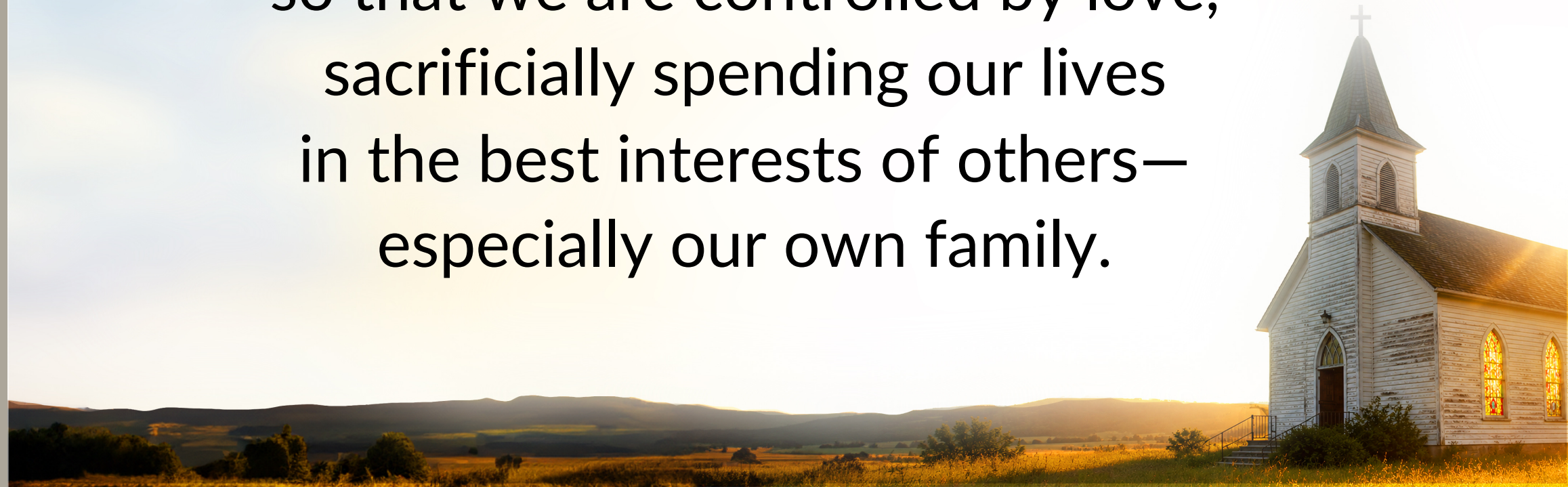
Instead, we must fix our eyes on Jesus,
worshipping and living for Him
so that we are controlled by love,
sacrificially spending our lives
in the best interests of others—
especially our own family.



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