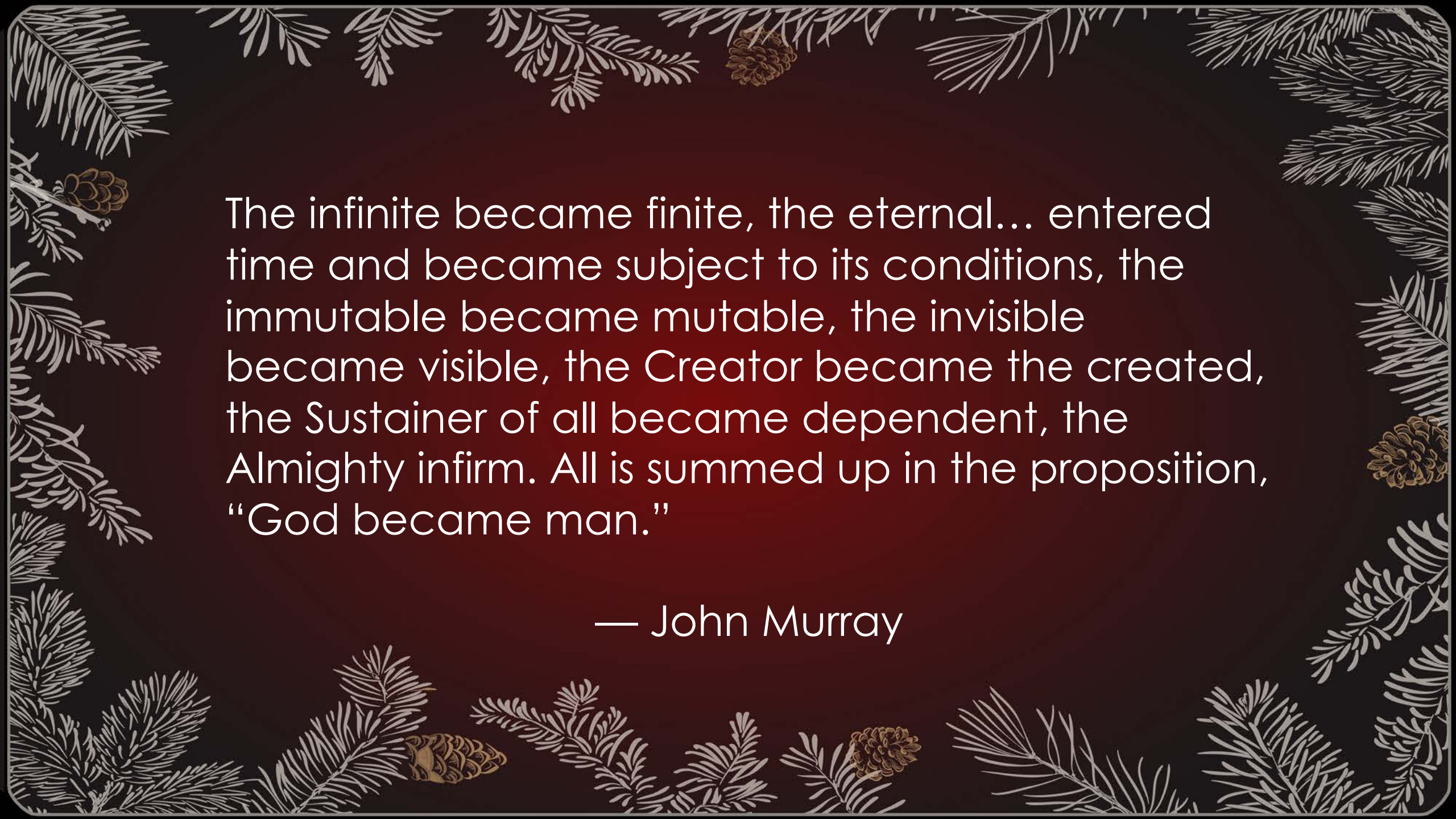




The Paradox of the Incarnation

2 Corinthians 8:9



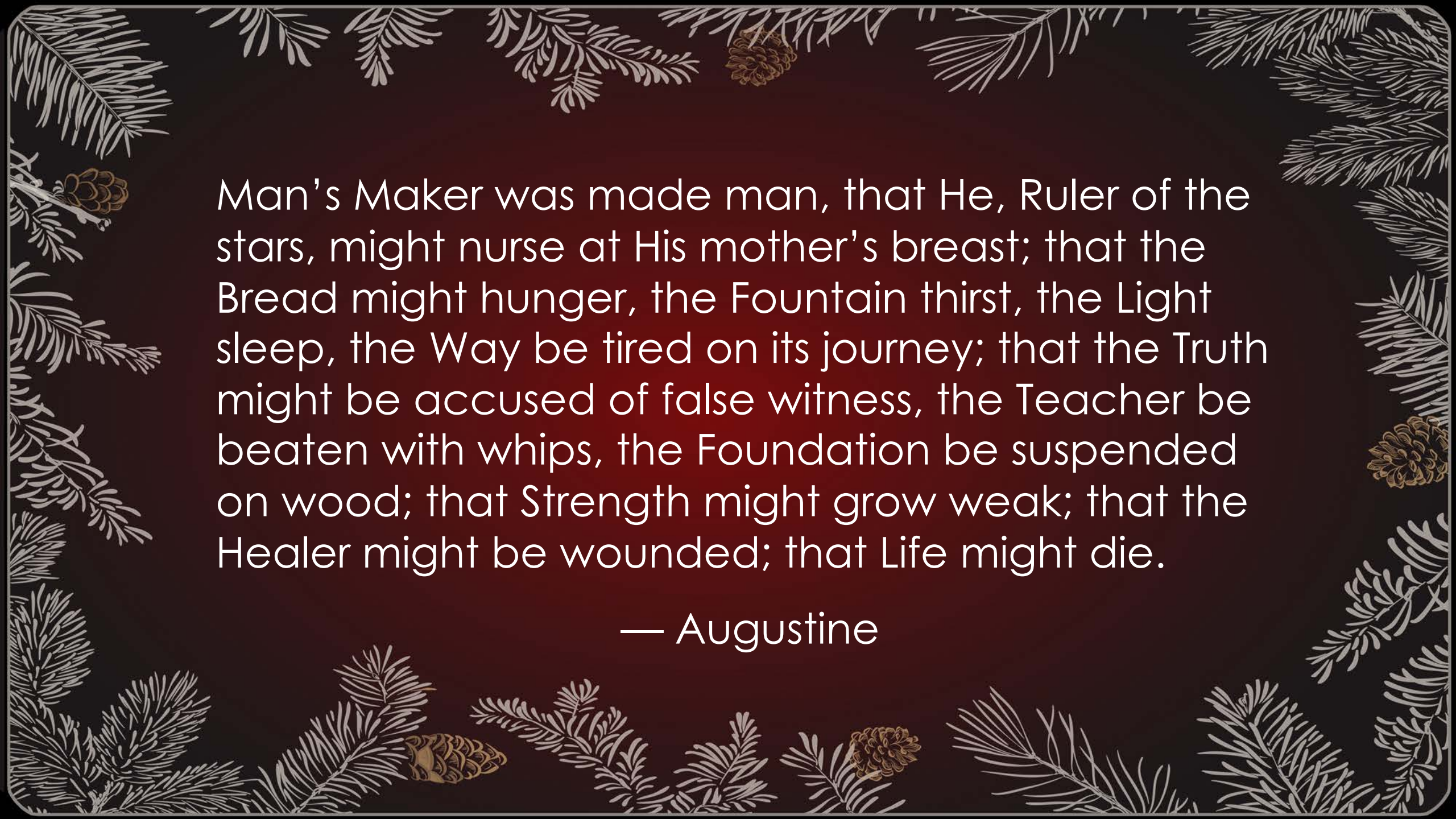
The infinite became finite, the eternal... entered time and became subject to its conditions, the immutable became mutable, the invisible became visible, the Creator became the created, the Sustainer of all became dependent, the Almighty infirm. All is summed up in the proposition, "God became man."

— John Murray



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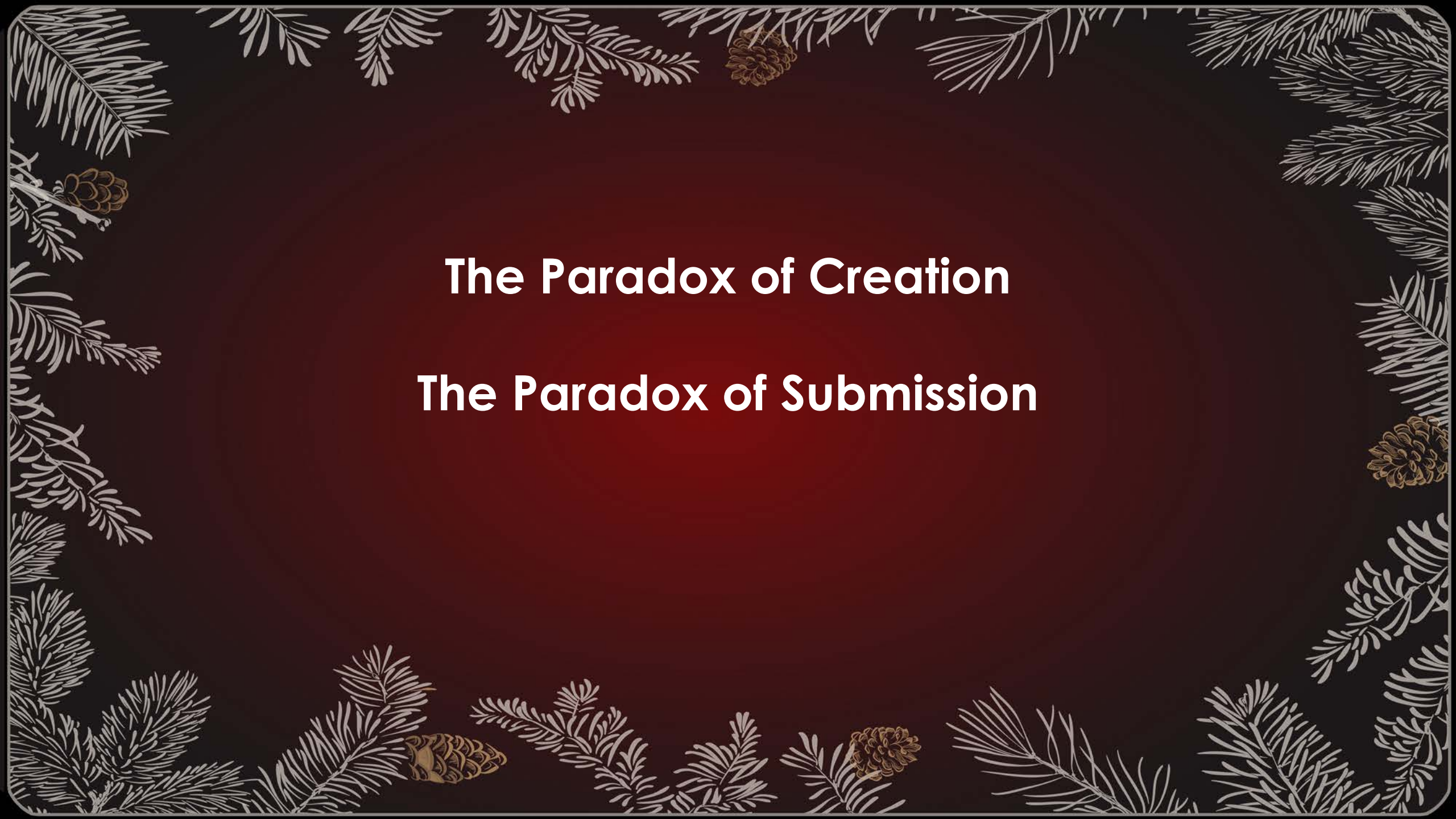
Man's Maker was made man, that He, Ruler of the stars, might nurse at His mother's breast; that the Bread might hunger, the Fountain thirst, the Light sleep, the Way be tired on its journey; that the Truth might be accused of false witness, the Teacher be beaten with whips, the Foundation be suspended on wood; that Strength might grow weak; that the Healer might be wounded; that Life might die.

— Augustine





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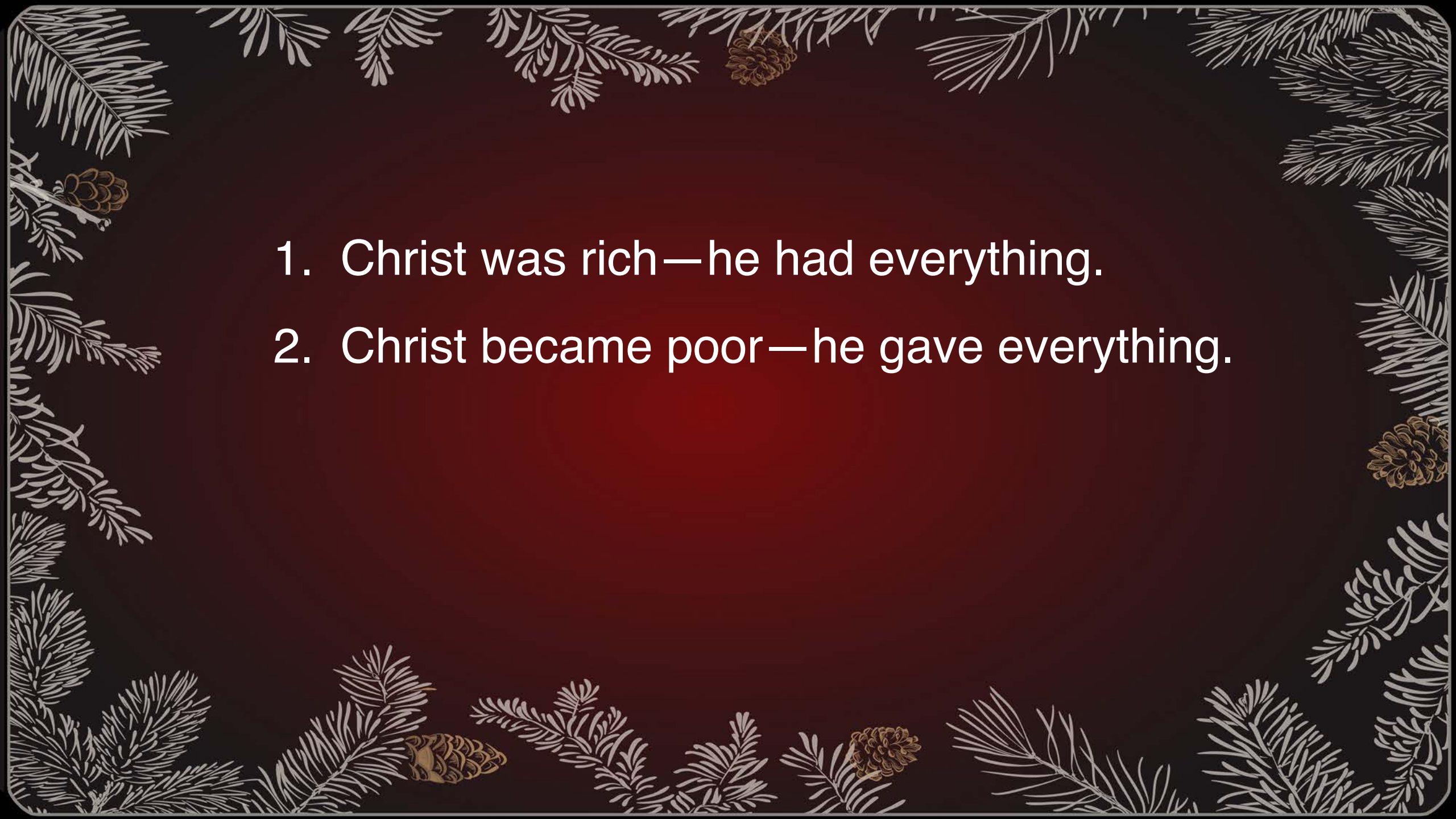
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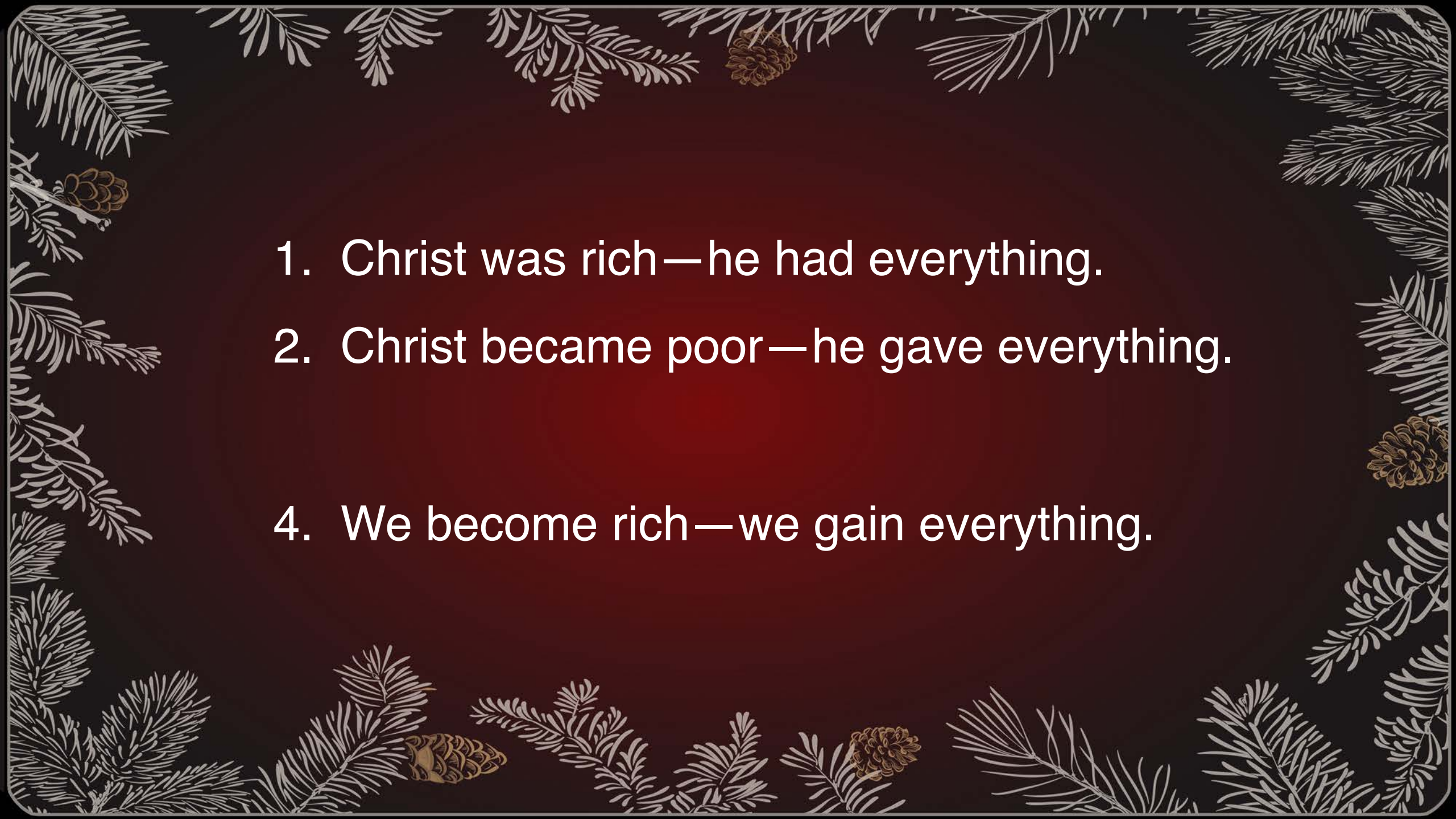
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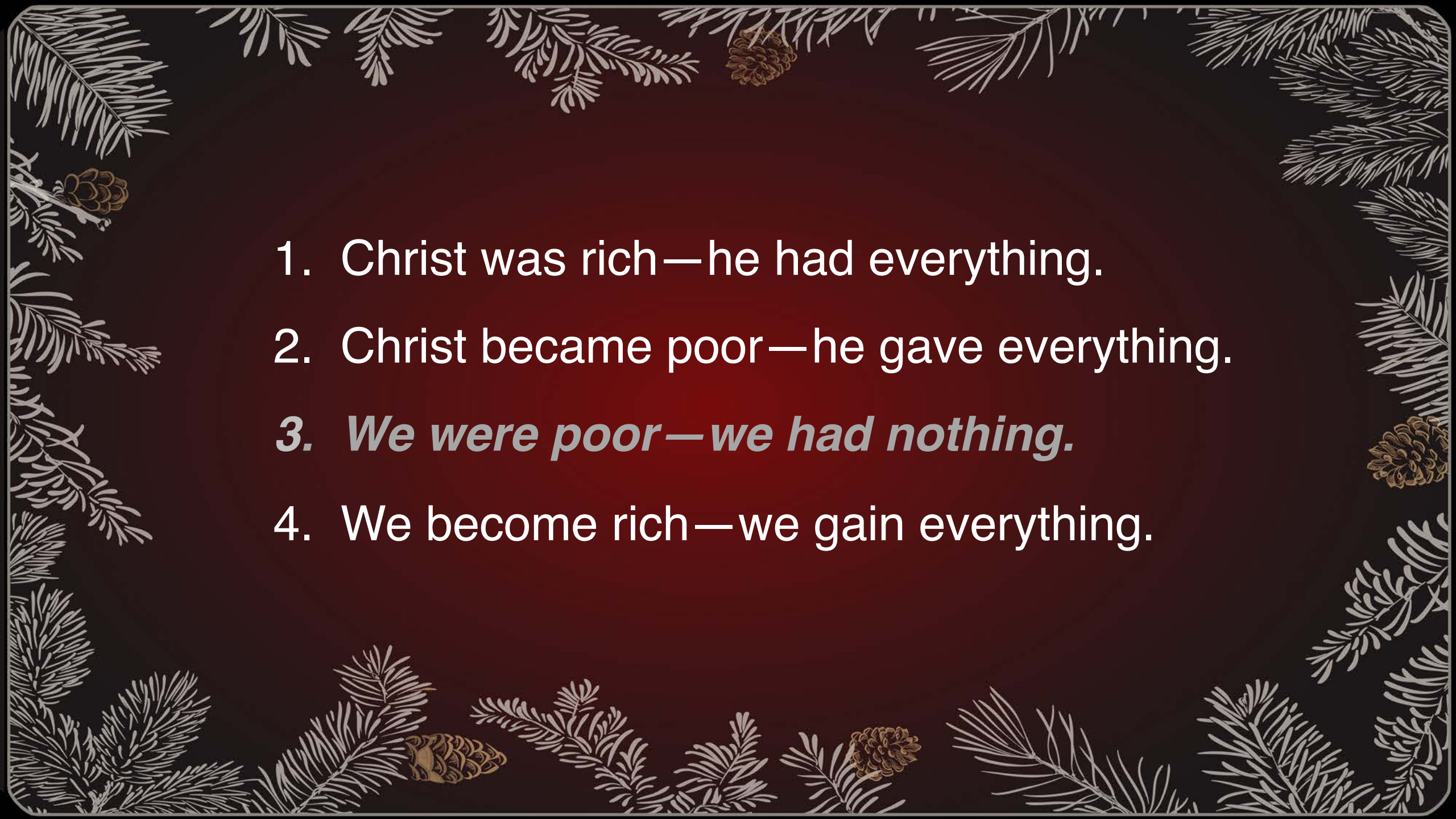




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