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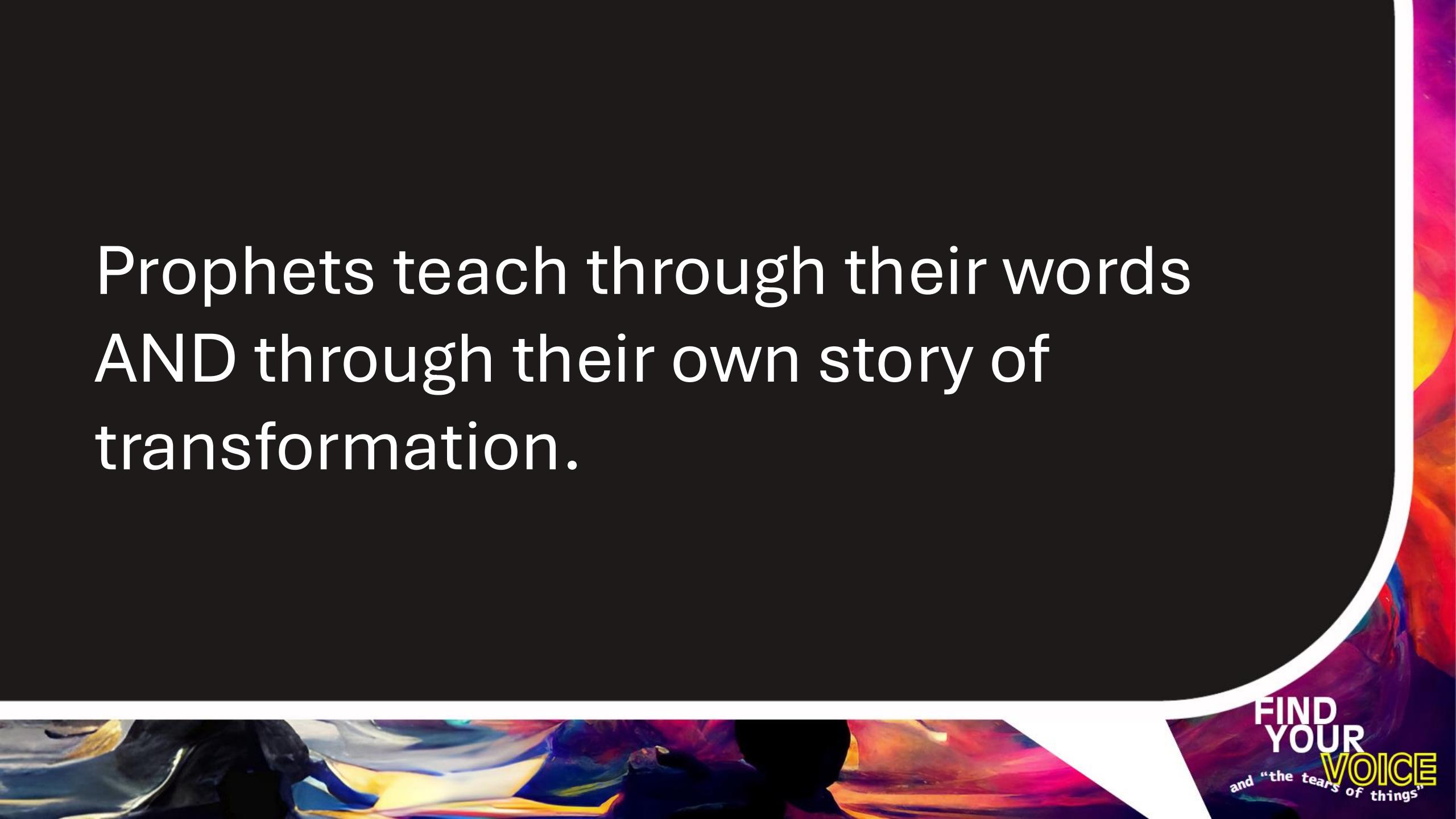
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Prophets hear from God and share the message with God's people. They are truth-tellers, crisis managers, and promise sharers.

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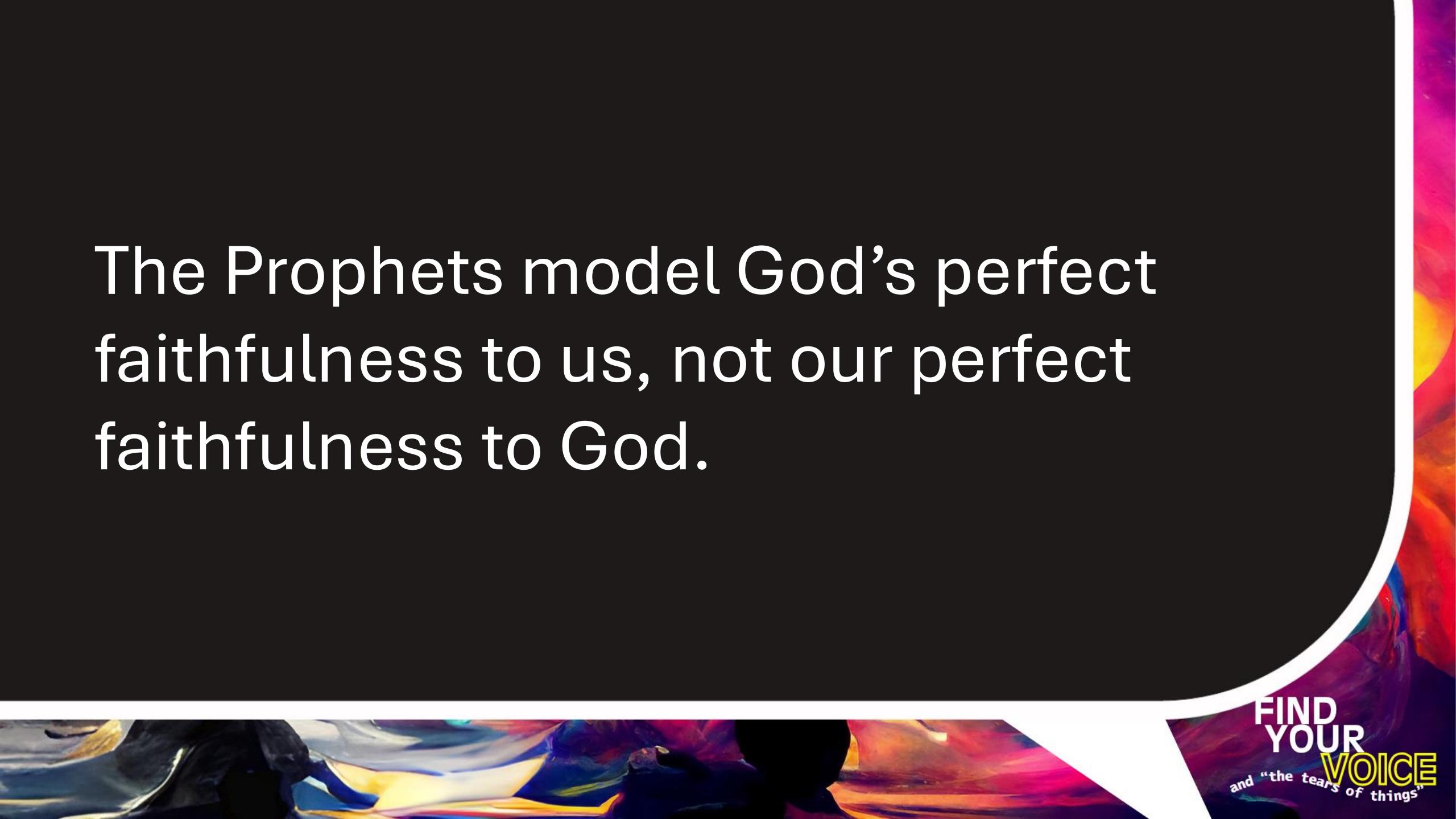
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Prophets teach through their words  
AND through their own story of  
transformation.

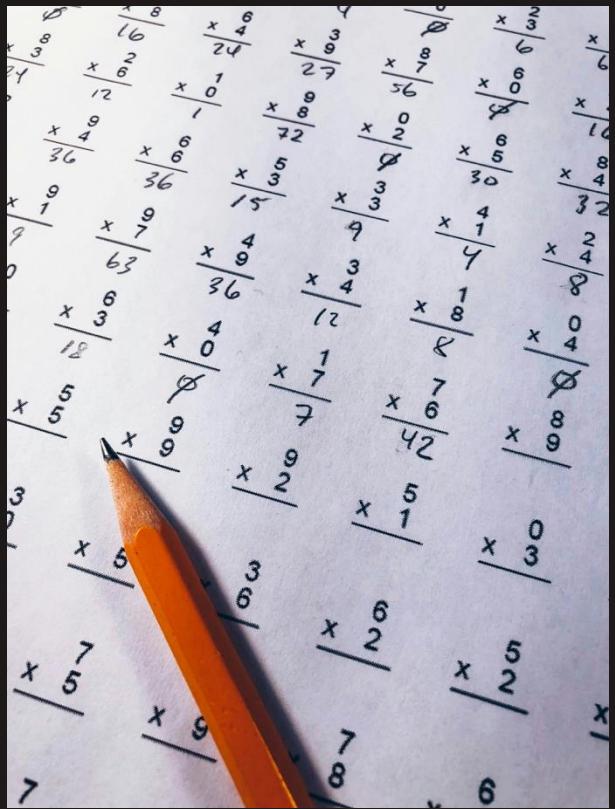


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The Prophets model God's perfect  
faithfulness to us, not our perfect  
faithfulness to God.



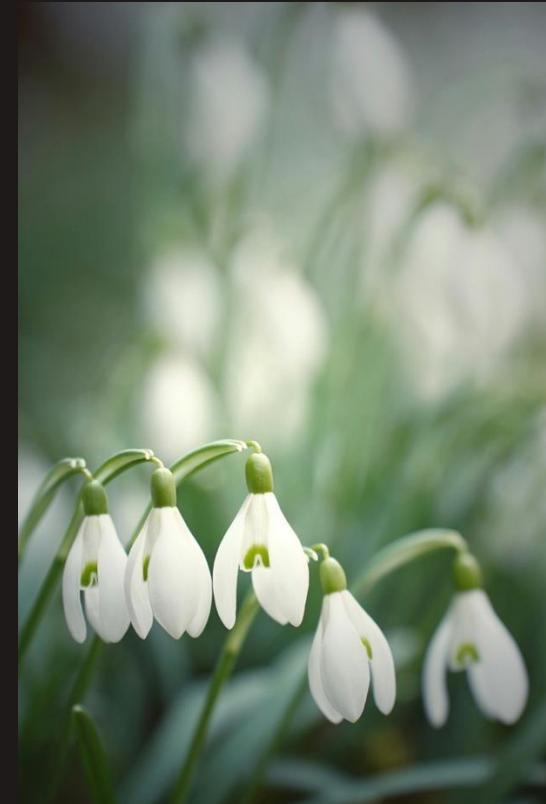
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# Complaint #1: Habakkuk 1:2-3

How long, LORD, must I call for help,  
but you do not listen?

Or cry out to you, “Violence!”  
but you do not save?

Why do you make me look at injustice?  
Why do you tolerate wrongdoing?

## Complaint #2 THAT IS WORSE

“Why then do you tolerate the treacherous?  
Why are you silent while the wicked  
swallow up those more righteous than themselves?”

Have you ever asked these questions?

# 5 Woes & 5 Consequences

God responds with warnings for Babylon, including the consequences of their injustice (valuing money and power over human dignity).

“Woe to him who builds a city with bloodshed and establishes a town by injustice!

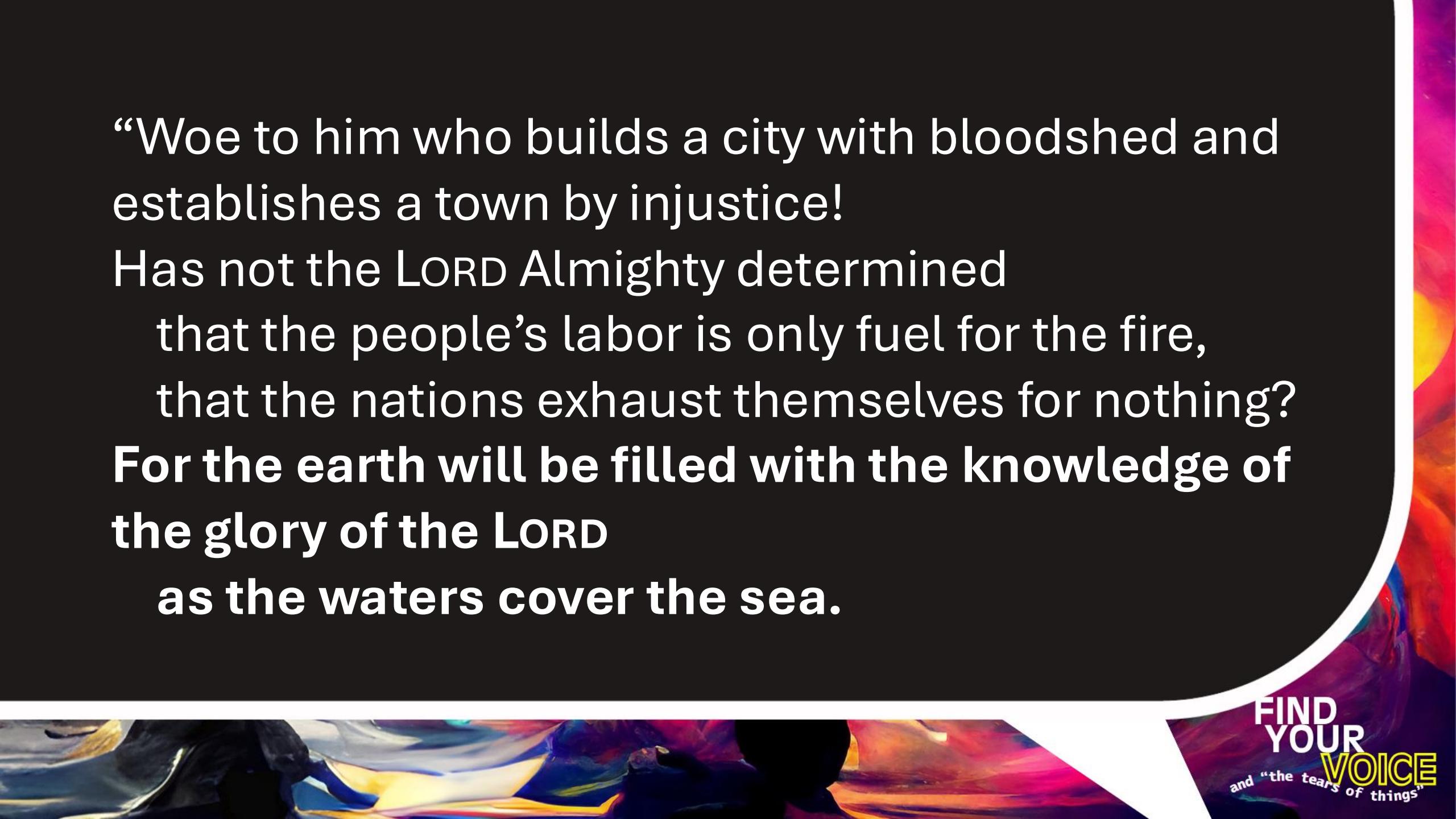
Has not the LORD Almighty determined

that the people’s labor is only fuel for the fire,

that the nations exhaust themselves for nothing?

**For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD**

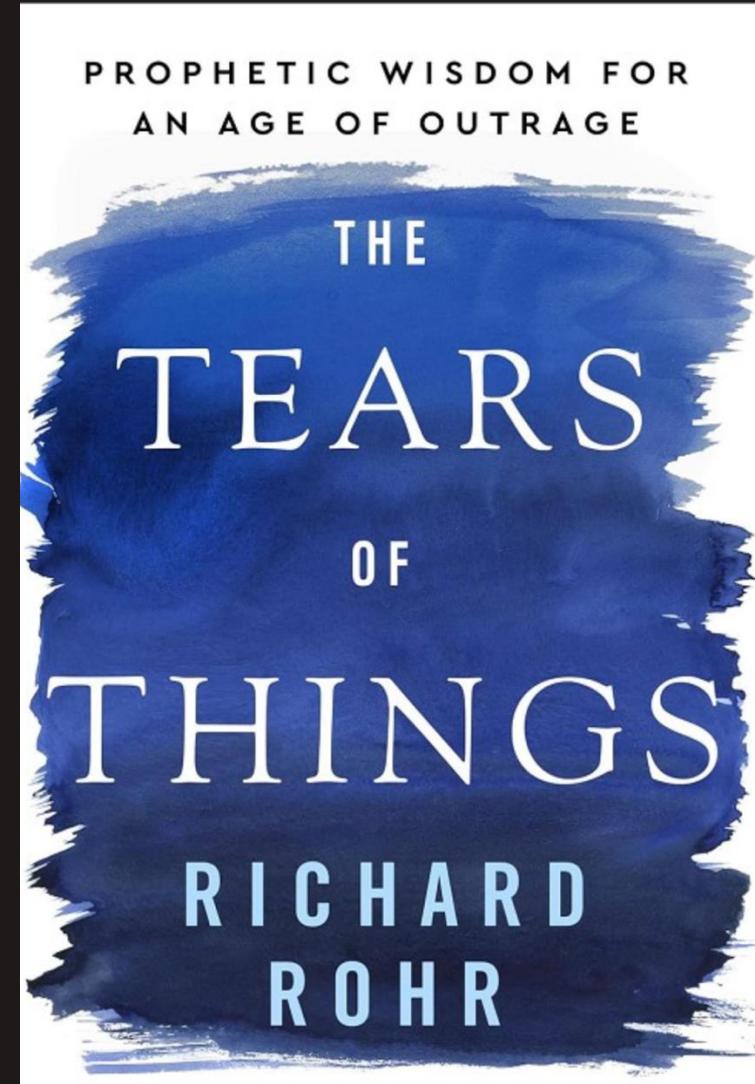
**as the waters cover the sea.**



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Mature prophecy is not  
fueled by outrage,  
but by *love filtered  
through tears.*

*Richard Rohr*



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# Habakkuk 3:16-19

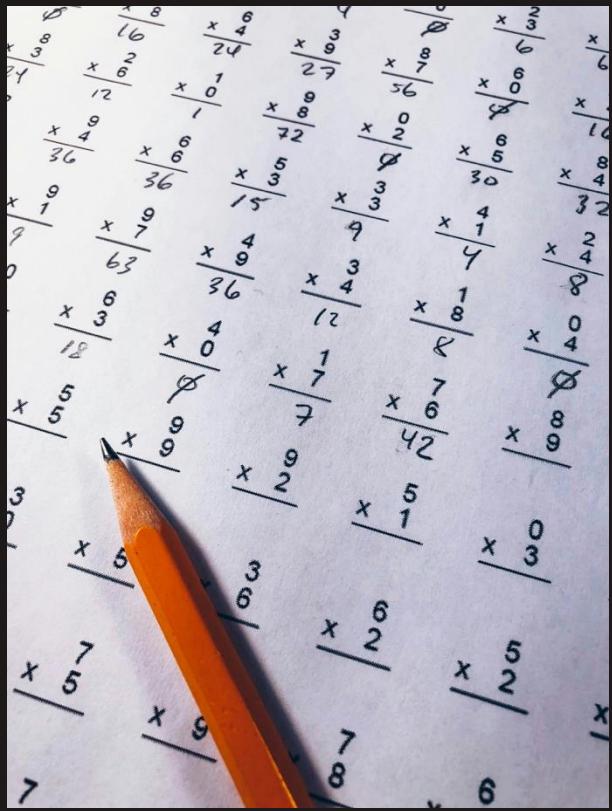
Yet I will wait patiently for the day of calamity  
to come on the nation invading us.

Though the fig tree does not bud  
and there are no grapes on the vines,  
though the olive crop fails  
and the fields produce no food,  
though there are no sheep in the pen

# Habakkuk 3:16-19

and no cattle in the stalls,  
yet I will rejoice in the Lord,  
I will be joyful in God my Savior.

The Sovereign Lord is my strength;  
he makes my feet like the feet of a deer,  
he enables me to tread on the heights.



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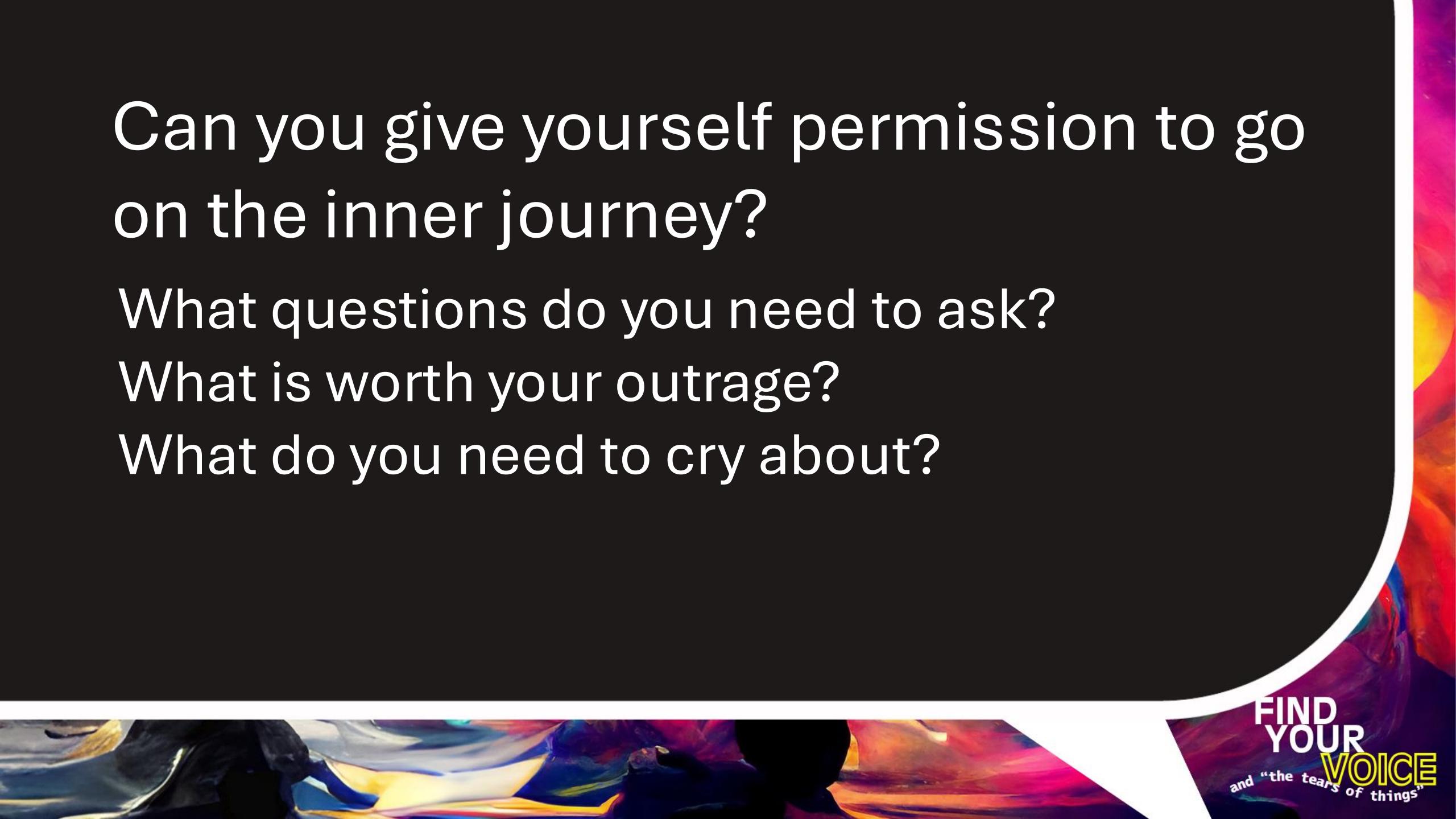
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Can you give yourself permission to go  
on the inner journey?

What questions do you need to ask?

What is worth your outrage?

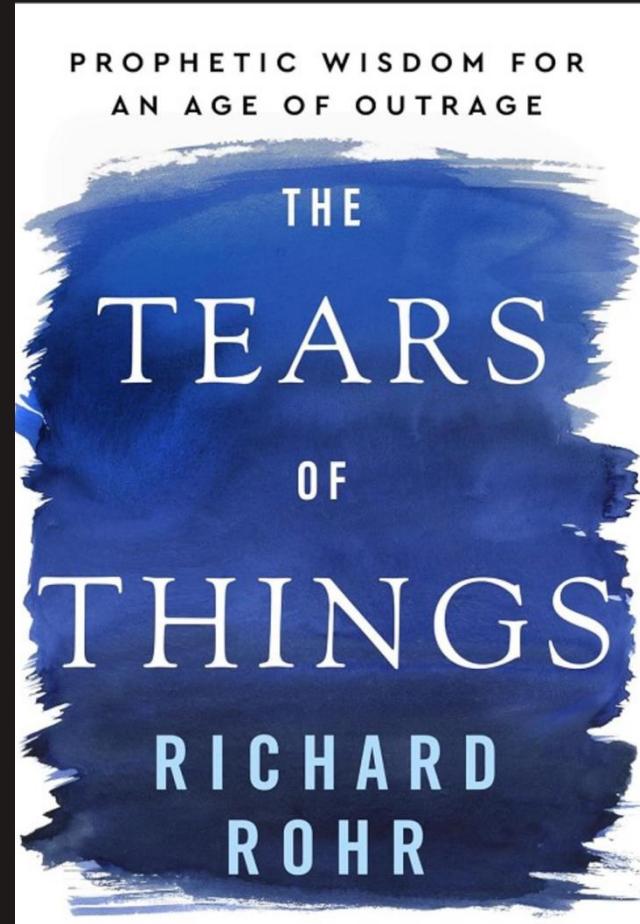
What do you need to cry about?

A close-up, abstract painting of a human face. The features are obscured by a vibrant, swirling mix of colors including red, orange, yellow, blue, and purple. The brushwork is expressive and dynamic, creating a sense of movement and depth. The overall mood is mysterious and powerful.

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“Our refusal to allow ourselves to be loved undeservedly and unconditionally will probably forever be the anguish of every prophet.”

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