



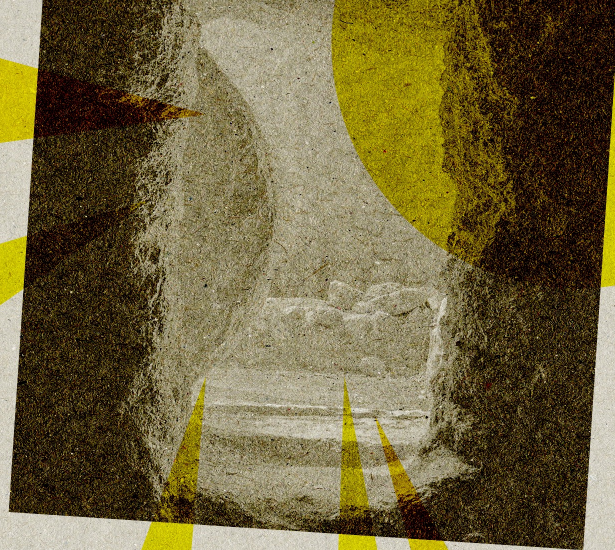
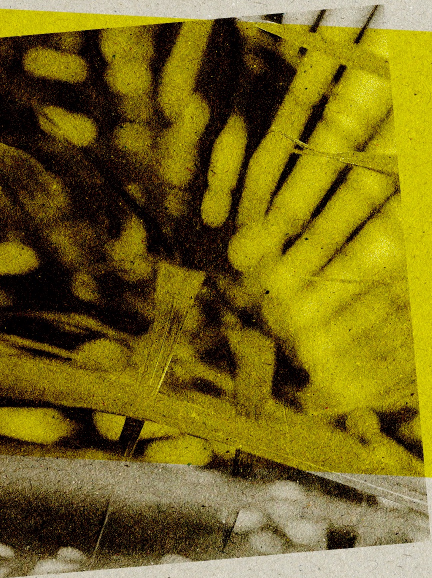
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LIVING IN THE HOPE OF EASTER



“Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews”

**HE IS
RISEN
INDEED**





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**LOVE IS THE
MOST POWERFUL
FORCE ON EARTH**



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There Can Only Be ONE King



For 33 Years Jesus Was Here on Earth...

“Along the way, they came across a man named Simon, who was from Cyrene, and the soldiers forced him to carry Jesus’ cross.

33 And they went out to a place called Golgotha (which means ‘Place of the Skull’).

34 The soldiers gave Jesus wine mixed with bitter gall, but when he had tasted it, he

Matthew 27:32-42 (NLT)

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refused to drink it. **35** After they had nailed him to the cross, the soldiers gambled for his clothes by throwing dice. **36** Then they sat around and kept guard as he hung there. **37** A sign was fastened above Jesus' head, **announcing the charge against him. It read: "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews."** **38** Two

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revolutionaries were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. **39** The people passing by shouted abuse, shaking their heads in mockery. **40** ‘Look at you now!’ they yelled at him. ‘You said you were going to destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days. Well then, if you are the Son of

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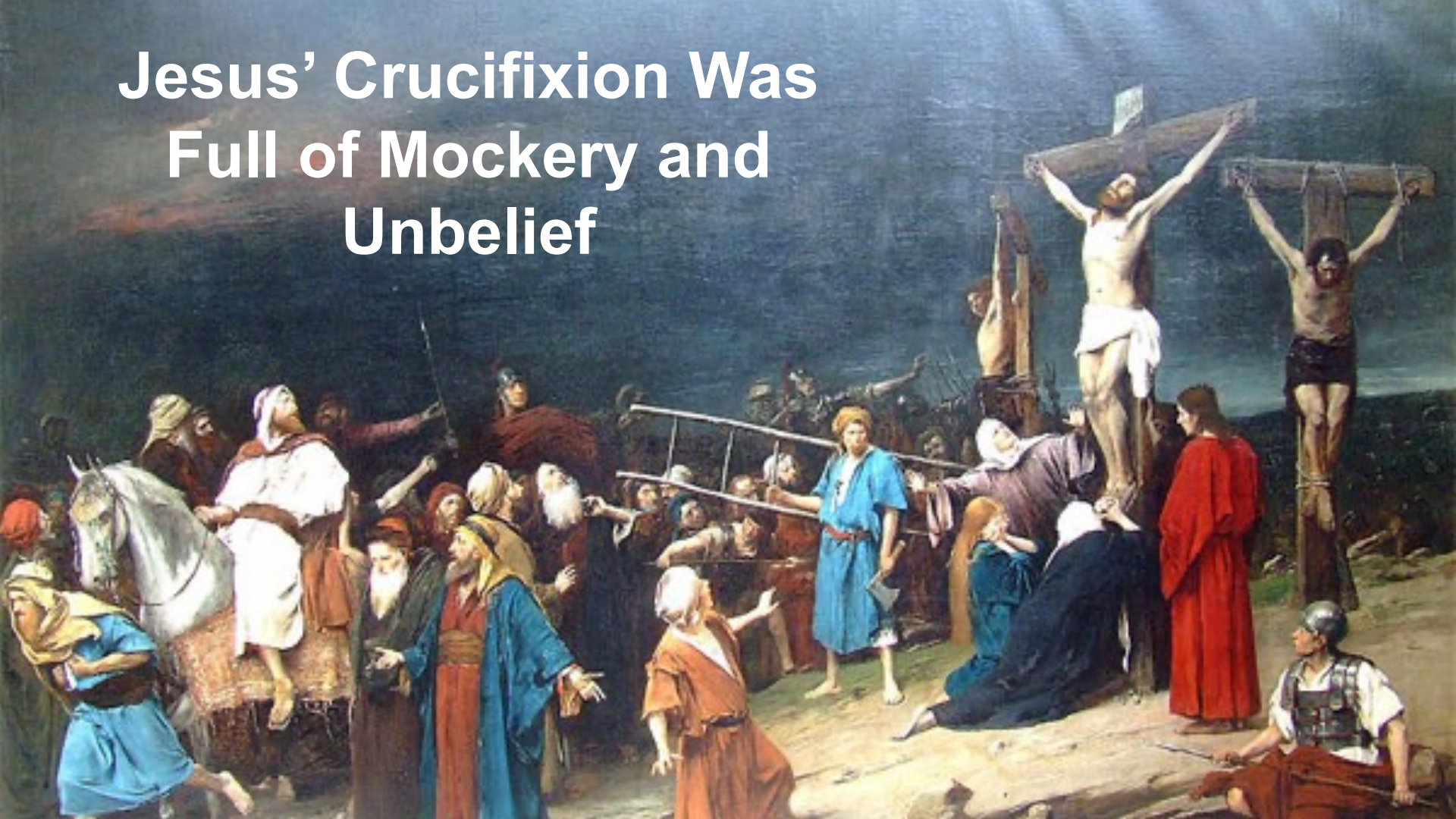
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God, save yourself and come down from the cross!’ **41** The leading priests, the teachers of religious law, and the elders also mocked Jesus. **42** ‘He saved others,’ they scoffed, ‘but he can’t save himself! So he is the King of Israel, is he? Let him come down from the cross right now, and we will believe in him!’”

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Jesus' Crucifixion Was Full of Mockery and Unbelief





**Many Decide
They'll Never
Trust in
Jesus**



In Our Lives There Can Only Be ONE King

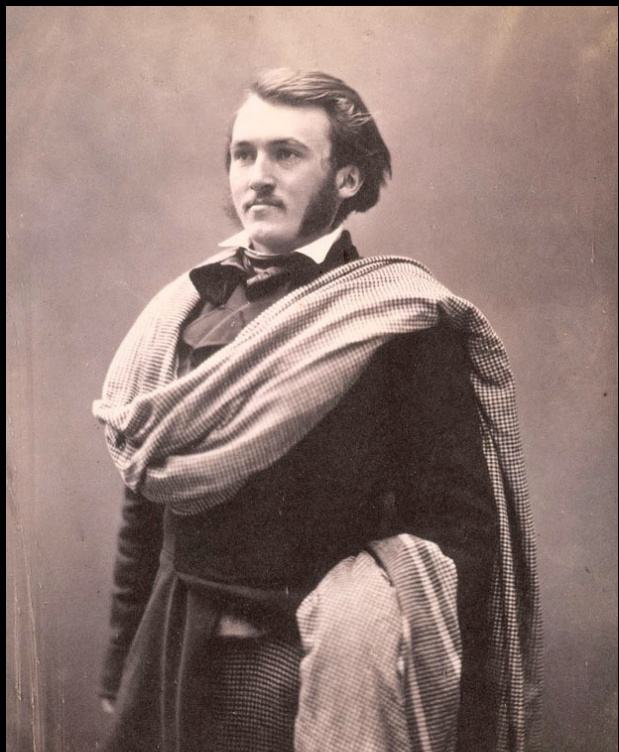


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Love Overcame Death



**Jesus Appeared to
Many After Raising from
the Dead**



Paul Gustave Dore

“Jesus told him, ‘I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me. **7** If you had really known me, you would know who my Father is. From now on, you do know him and have seen him!’ **8** Philip said, ‘Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.’ **9** Jesus replied,

John 14:6-11 (NLT)

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replied, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and yet you still don’t know who I am? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father! So why are you asking me to show him to you? **10** Don’t you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I speak are not my own, but my Father

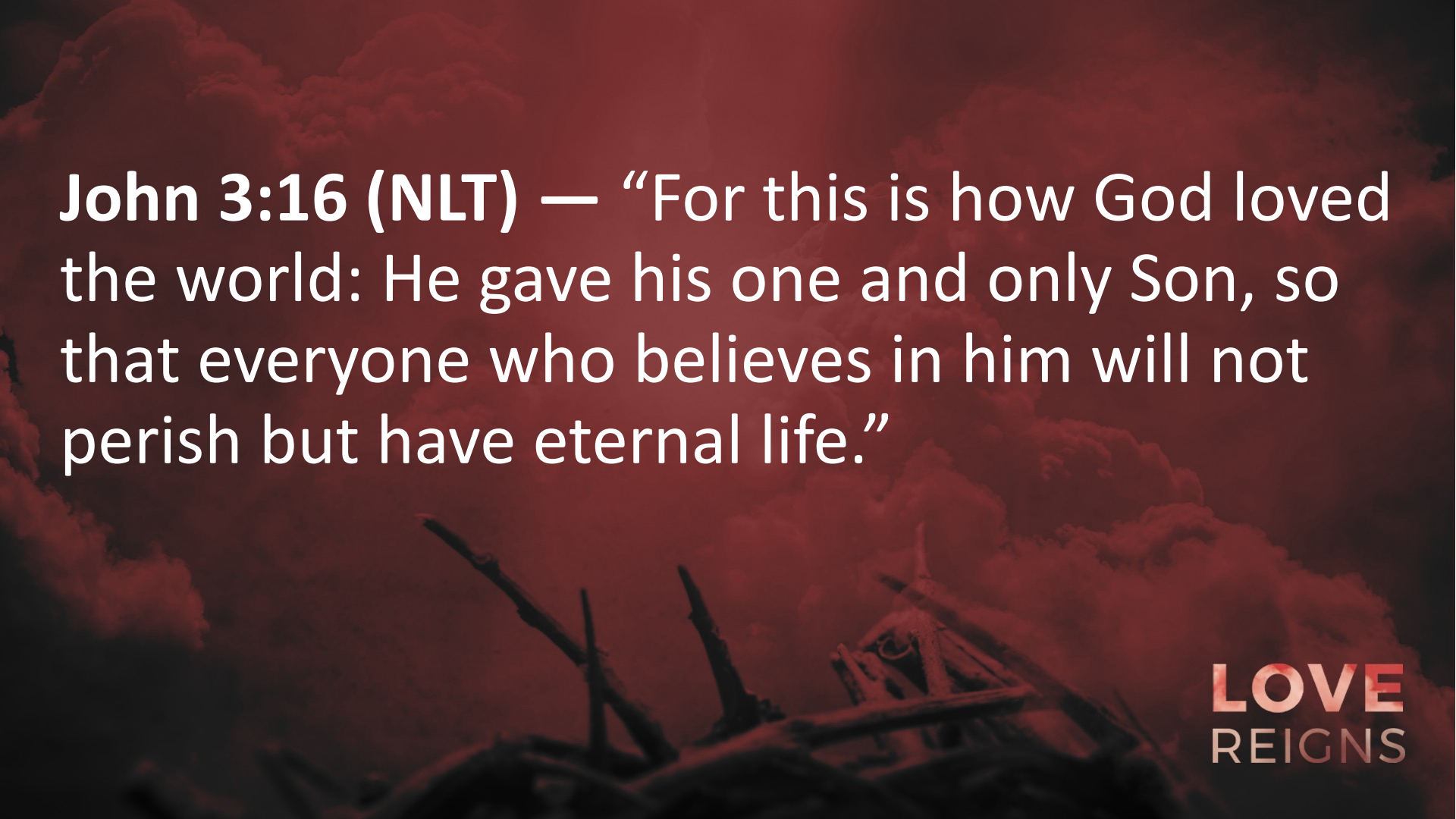
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who lives in me does his work through me.
11 Just believe that I am in the Father and
the Father is in me. **Or at least believe
because of the work you have seen me do.”**

John 14:6-11 (NLT)

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John 3:16 (NLT) — “For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.”

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SAVED?
FROM WHAT ?

“Jesus came and told his disciples, ‘**I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth.** 19

Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. 20 Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

Matthew 28:18-20 (NLT)

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Easter is
the Day
Jesus
Proved He
Has **ALL**
Authority



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Let Love Reign IN YOU

disciple

- Greek – “mathetes”
- learner, student
- Implies progression
- It is a life-long process

**When You Invite
Jesus In...**



Things Begin to CHANGE.

Matthew 28:20 (NLT) — “Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

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Jesus will always be with us, until the very end.



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