

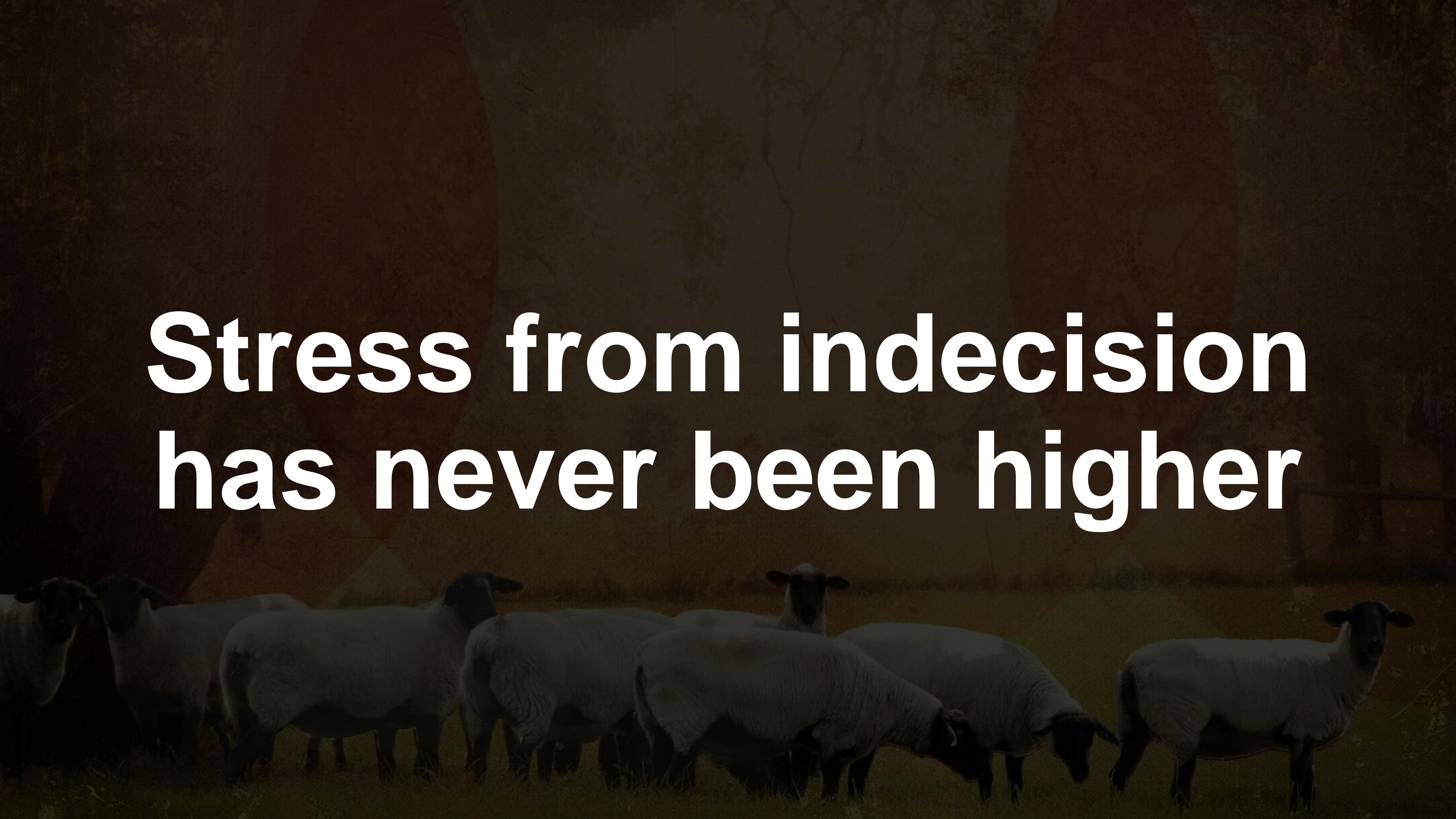


THE *Lord* IS MY  
SHEPHERD

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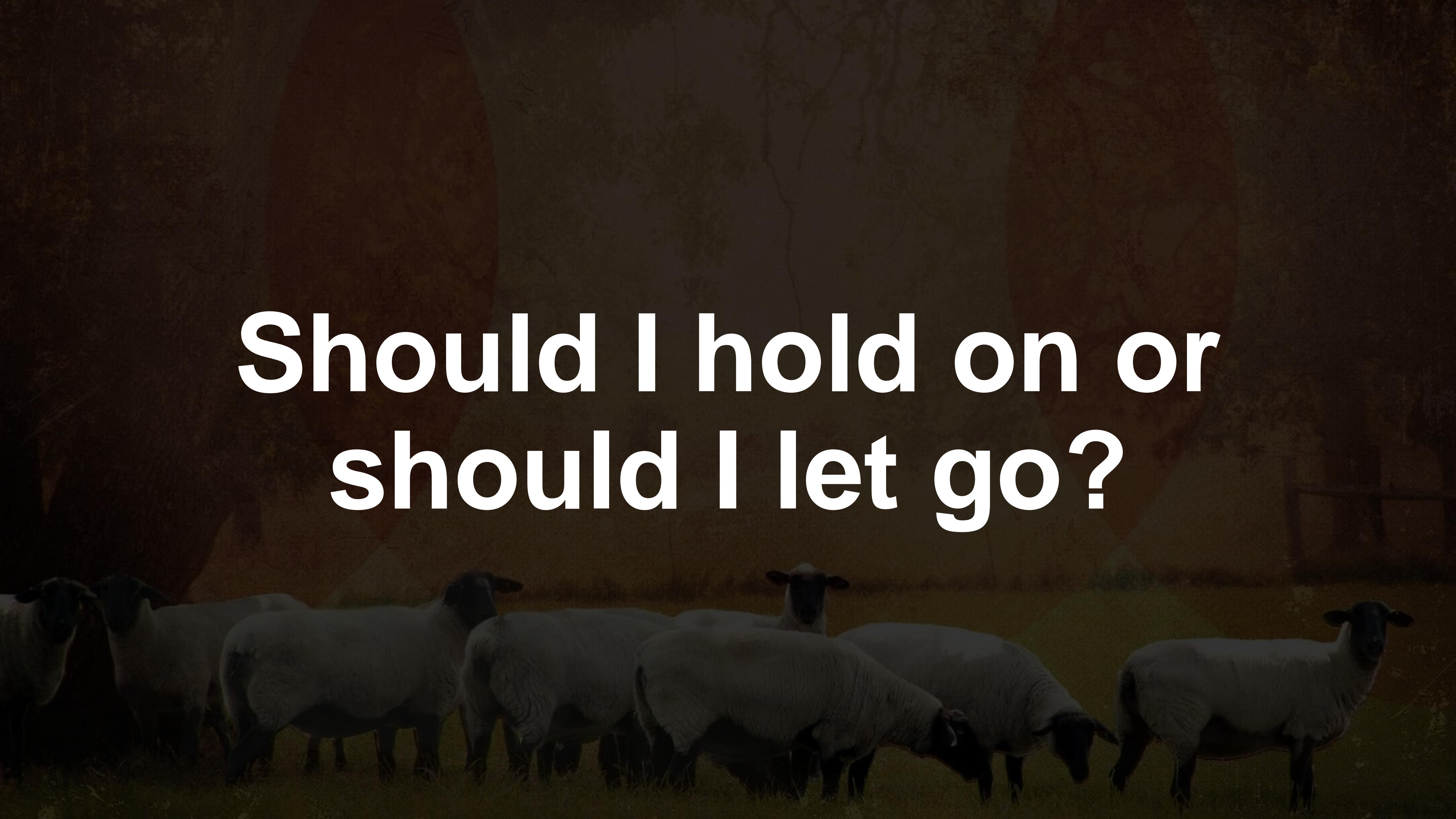
WHEN I'M UNCERTAIN  
& SEEKING GUIDANCE



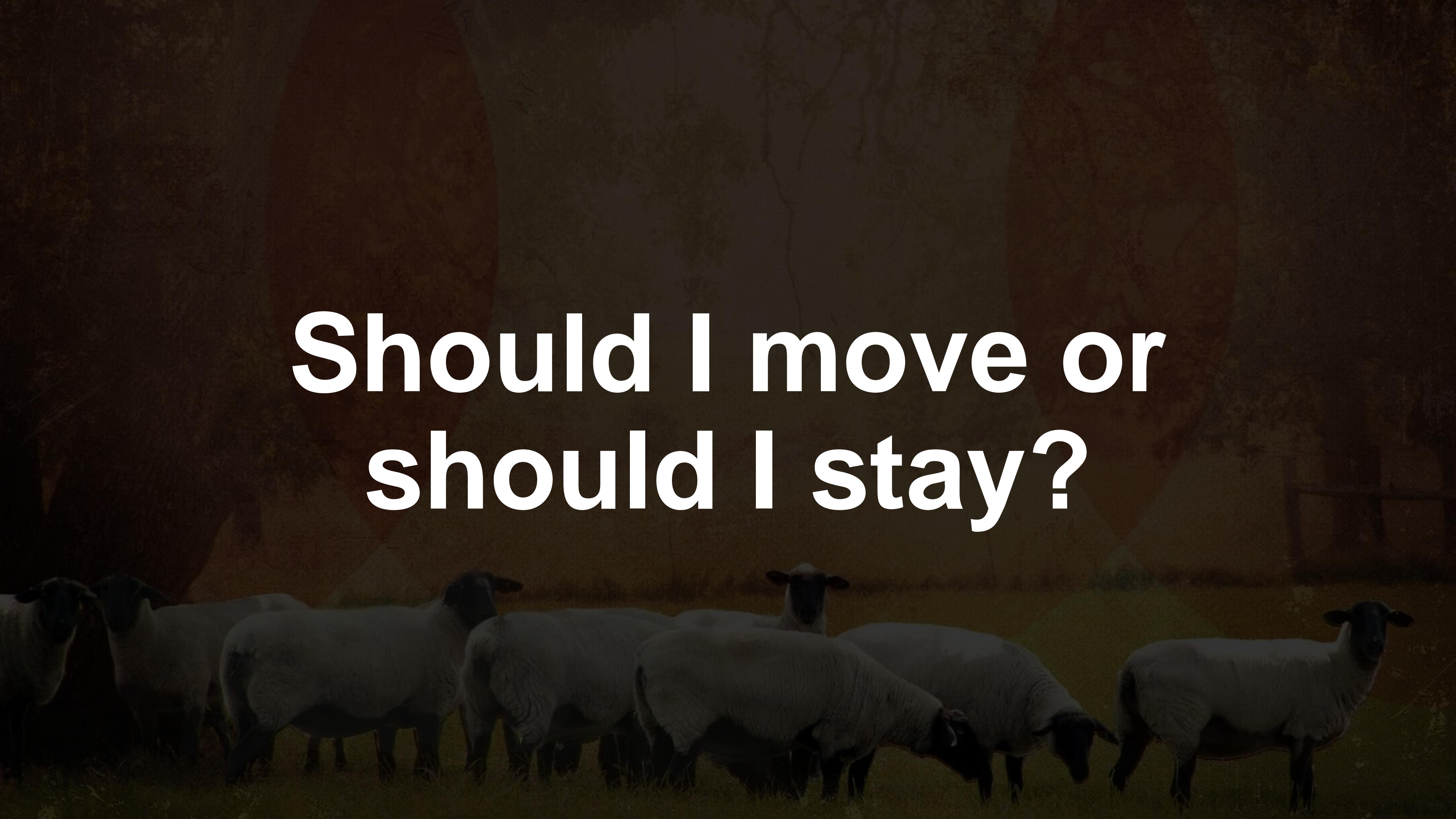
Stress from indecision  
has never been higher



**FOMO**  
**“Fear of Missing Out”**



Should I hold on or  
should I let go?



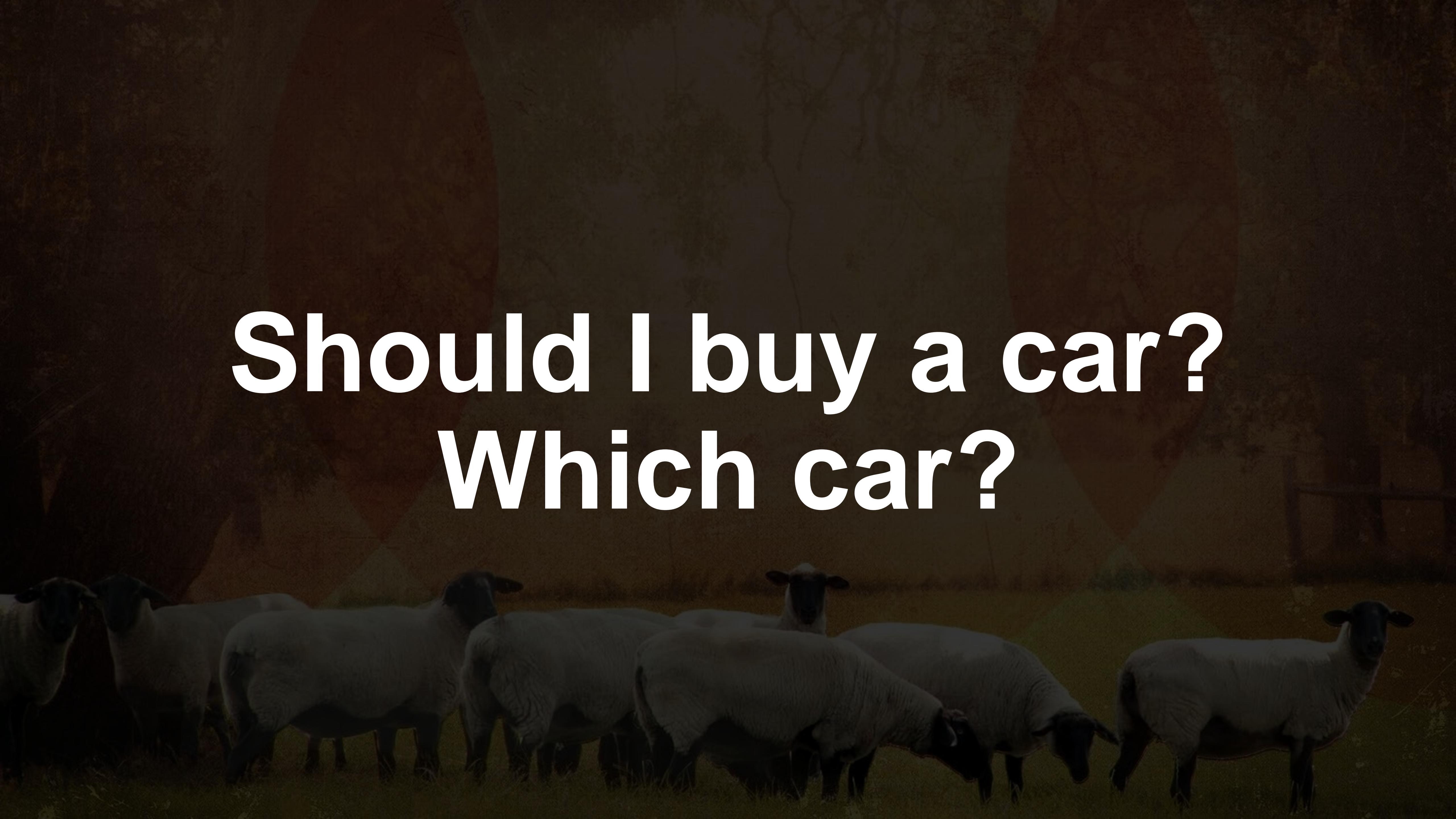
Should I move or  
should I stay?



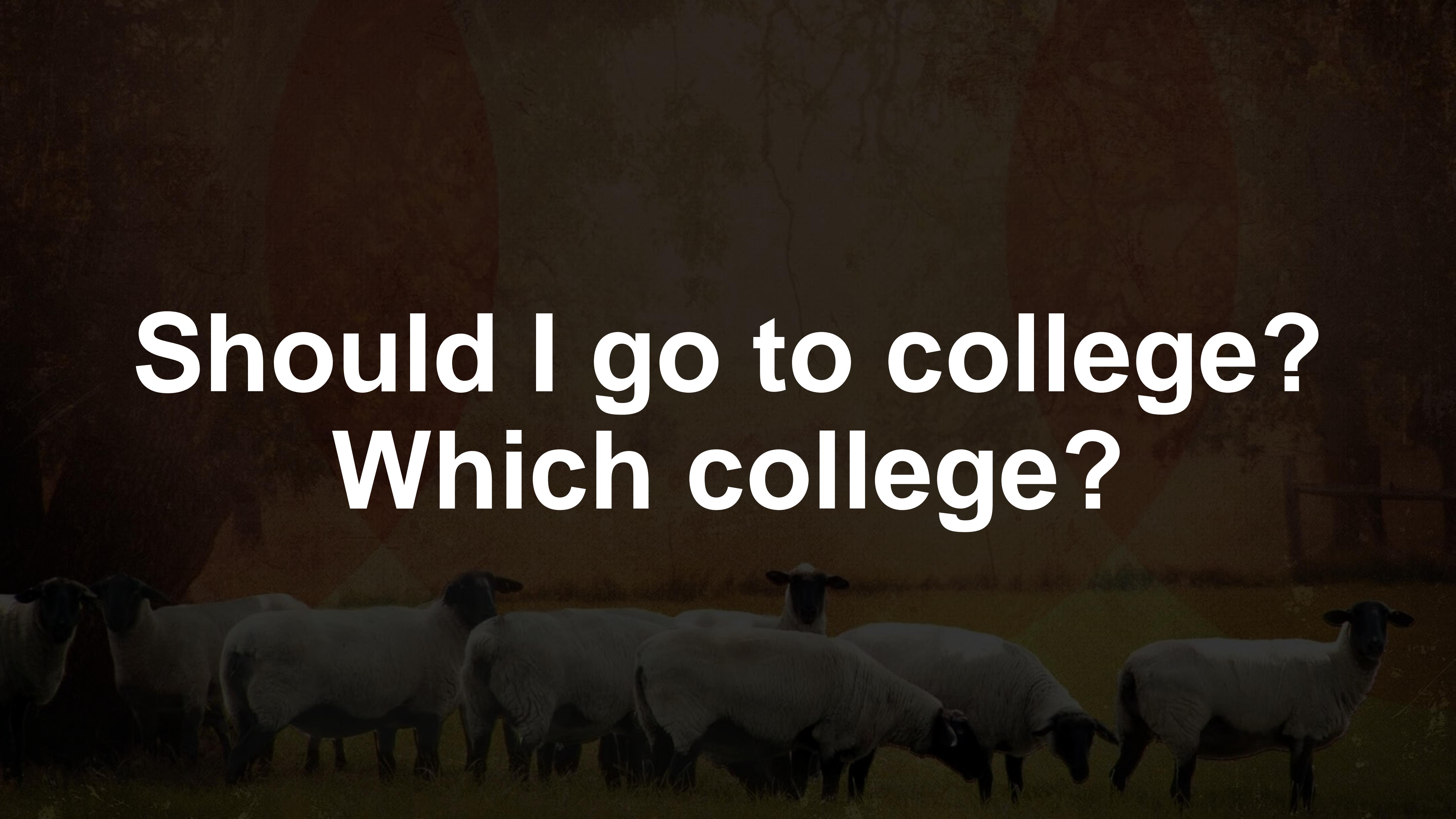
# Should I get married?



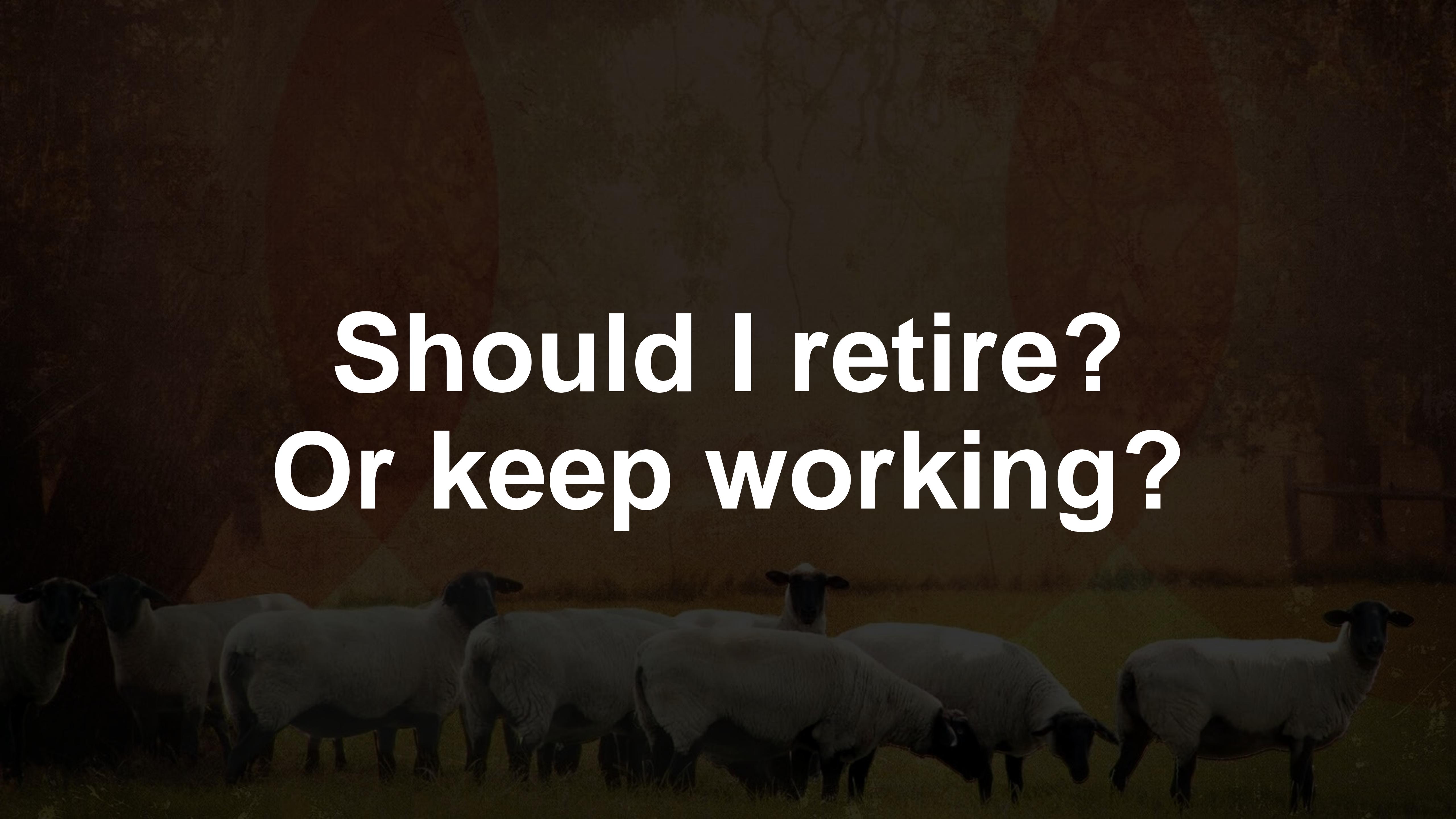
Should I try to find  
a new job?



Should I buy a car?  
Which car?



Should I go to college?  
Which college?



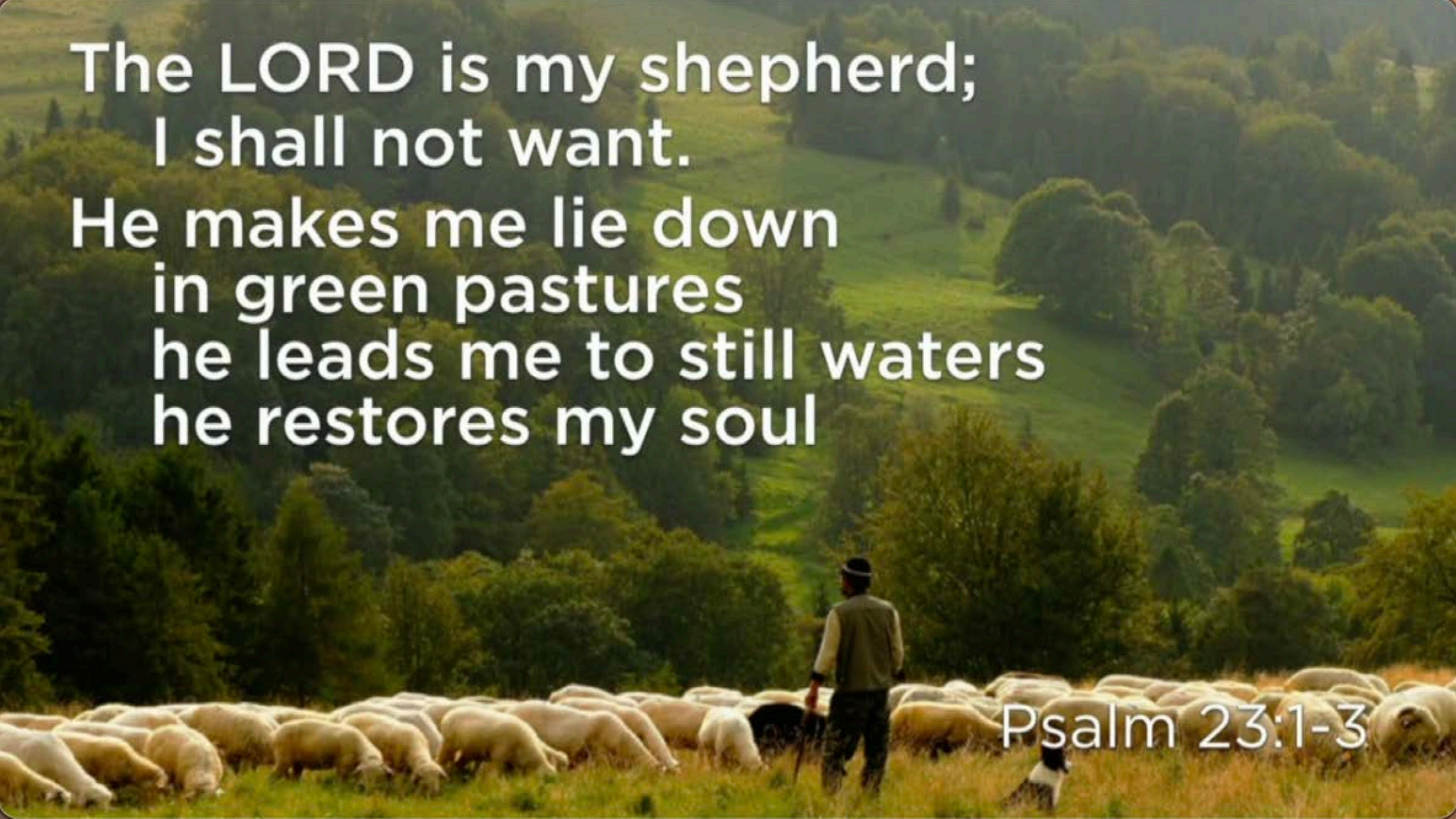
Should I retire?  
Or keep working?



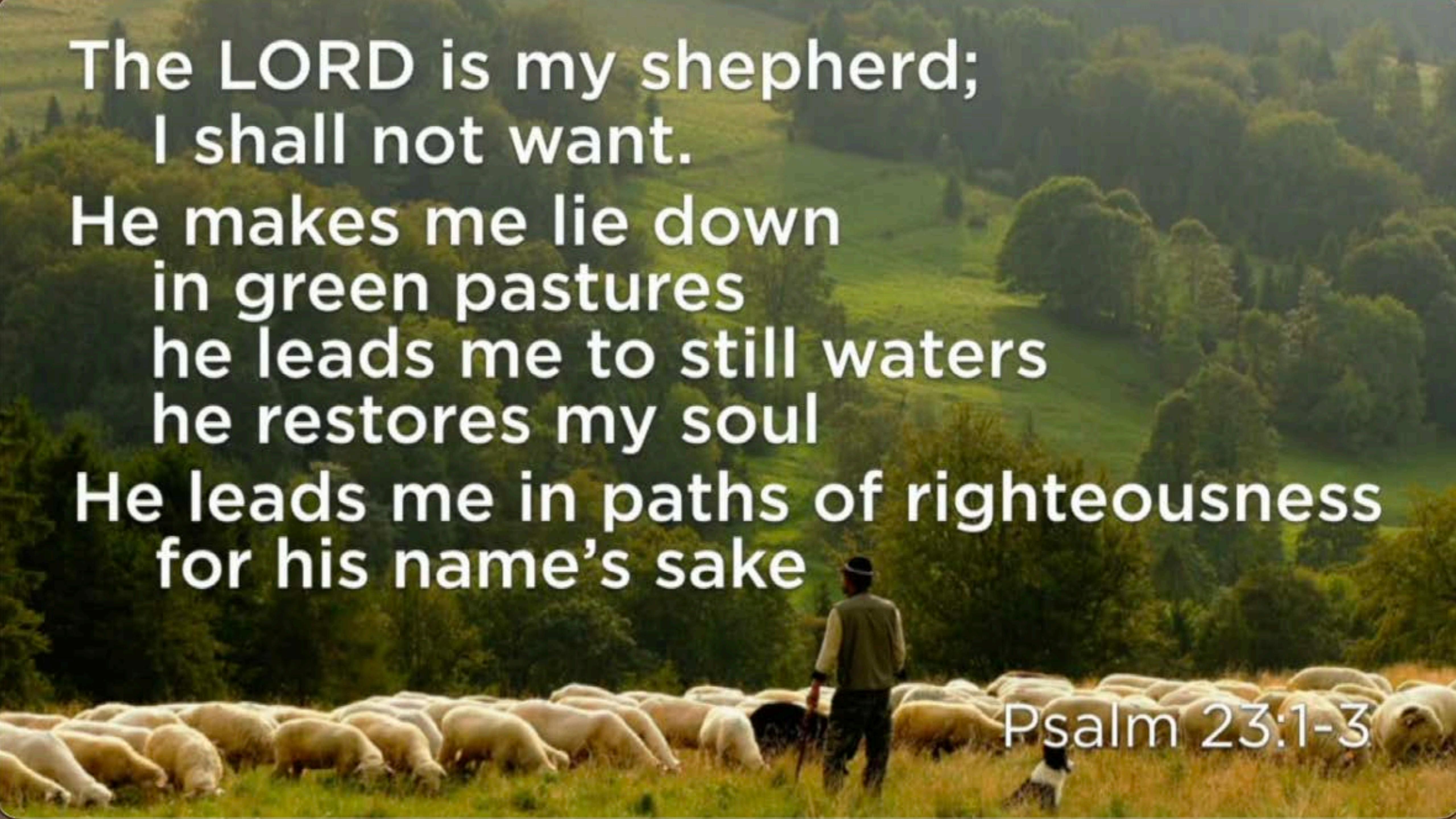
Did I do the right thing?

The LORD is my shepherd;  
I shall not want.

He makes me lie down  
in green pastures  
he leads me to still waters  
he restores my soul

A photograph of a pastoral scene. In the foreground, a shepherd wearing a dark cap and a light-colored vest over a dark shirt stands facing away from the camera, looking towards a large flock of white sheep. The sheep are scattered across a grassy field. In the background, there are rolling green hills and a dense line of dark green trees. The lighting suggests a bright, possibly sunny day.

Psalm 23:1-3

A photograph of a pastoral scene. In the foreground, a shepherd, seen from behind, walks away from the viewer. He is wearing a dark cap and a light-colored vest over a dark shirt. He is herding a large flock of white sheep. The sheep are scattered across a grassy field. In the background, there are rolling green hills and a line of trees under a clear blue sky.

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I shall not want.

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He leads me in paths of righteousness  
for his name's sake

Psalm 23:1-3



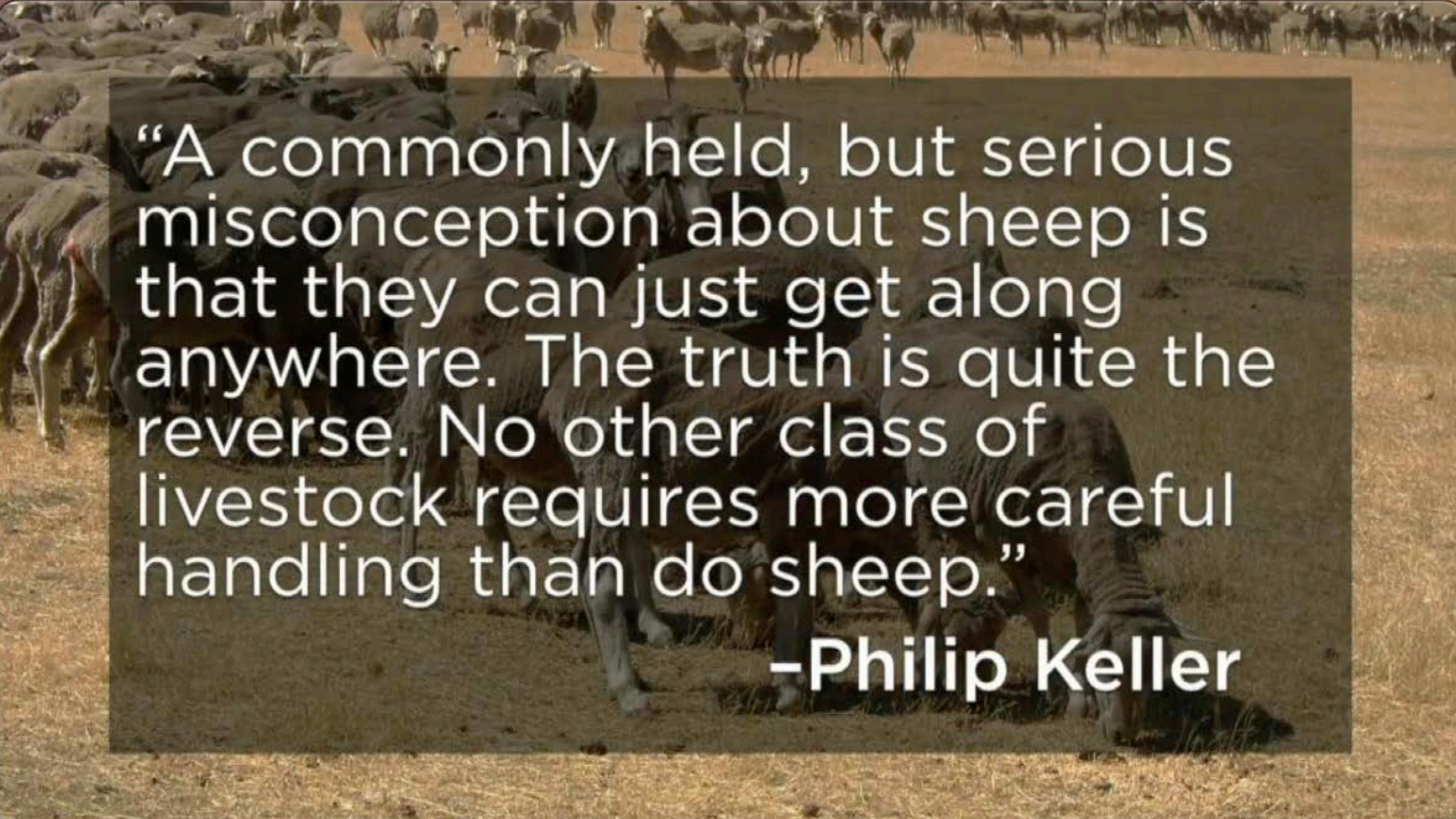
# How do I know God's guidance?

“He leads me in paths of  
righteousness for his  
name’s sake.”

*(Psalm 23:2-3b, ESV)*

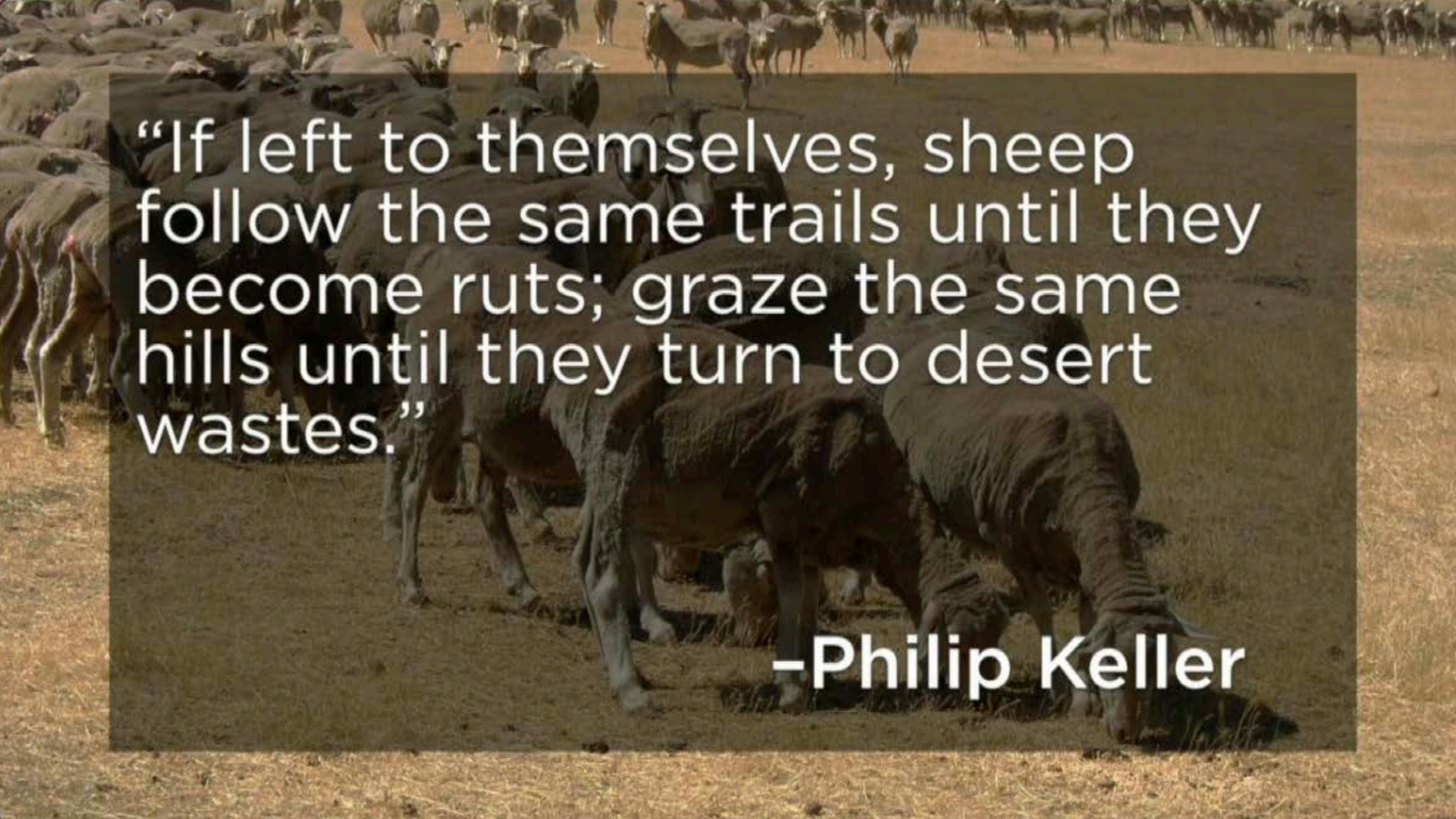




A large flock of sheep is grazing in a dry, brown field. The sheep are scattered across the frame, with some in the foreground and many more in the background. The terrain appears hilly or uneven. The lighting suggests a bright, possibly sunny day.

“A commonly held, but serious misconception about sheep is that they can just get along anywhere. The truth is quite the reverse. No other class of livestock requires more careful handling than do sheep.”

-Philip Keller



“If left to themselves, sheep follow the same trails until they become ruts; graze the same hills until they turn to desert wastes.”

-Philip Keller

“He leads me in paths of  
righteousness for his  
name’s sake.”

*(Psalm 23:2-3b, ESV)*



“Your Word is a lamp to  
guide me, and a light for  
my path.”

*(Psalm 119:106, GN)*





Revelation  
from outside:  
The Bible



Transformation  
from inside:  
The Holy Spirit

# Cautions:

Don't be guided by  
feelings alone



# Cautions:

God's will never  
contradicts  
God's Word

The Bible never says the  
Spirit guides... in ways  
you perceive at the time



“We should make our plans,  
counting on God to direct  
us.” *(Proverbs 16:9, ESV)*



“We should make no plans,  
unless we first sense how  
God directs us.”



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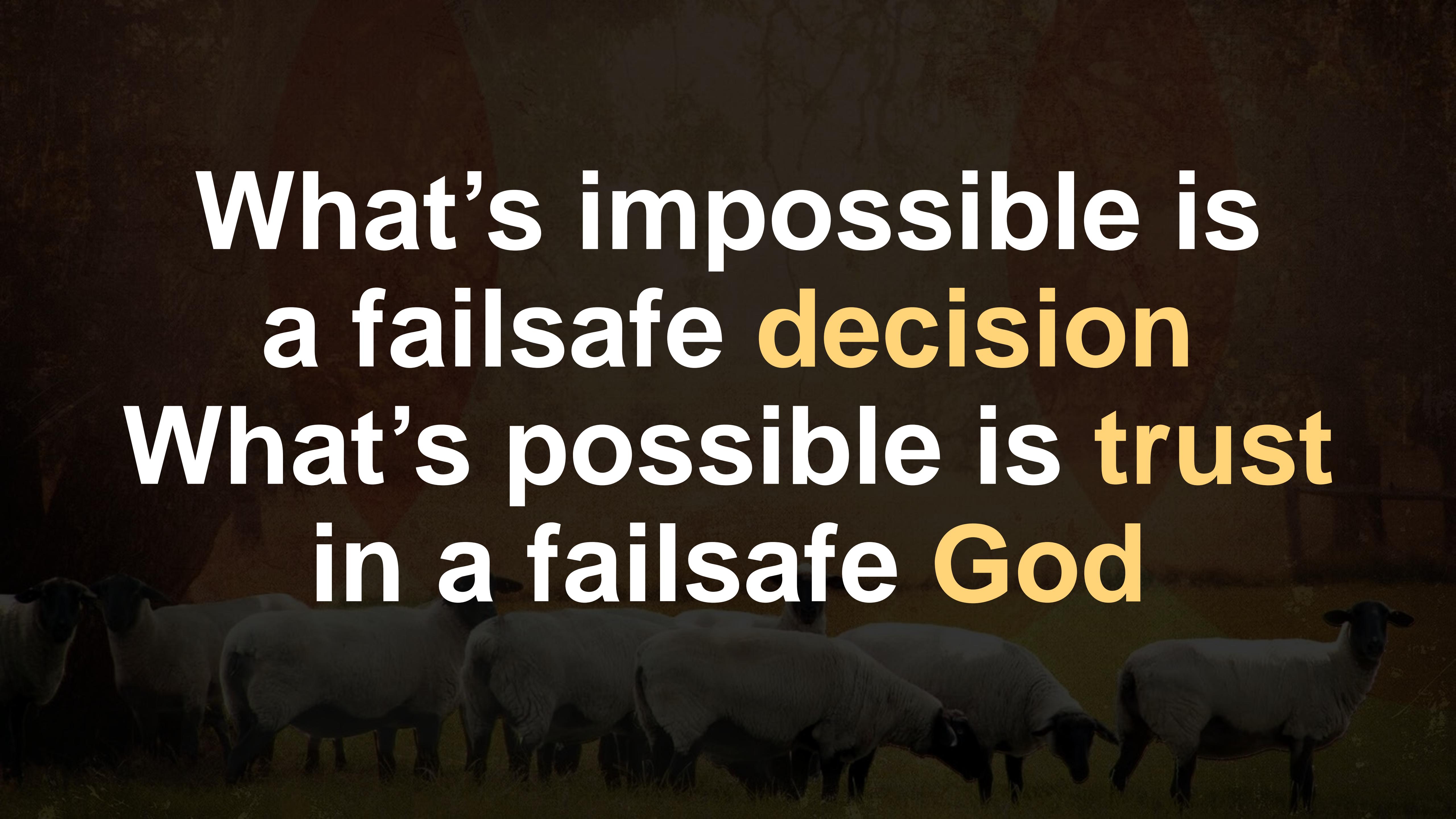
God never asks you to  
understand His plan



God never asks you to  
understand His plan  
He asks you to trust Him

What's impossible is  
a failsafe decision





What's impossible is  
a failsafe decision

What's possible is trust  
in a failsafe God



to be continued...



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