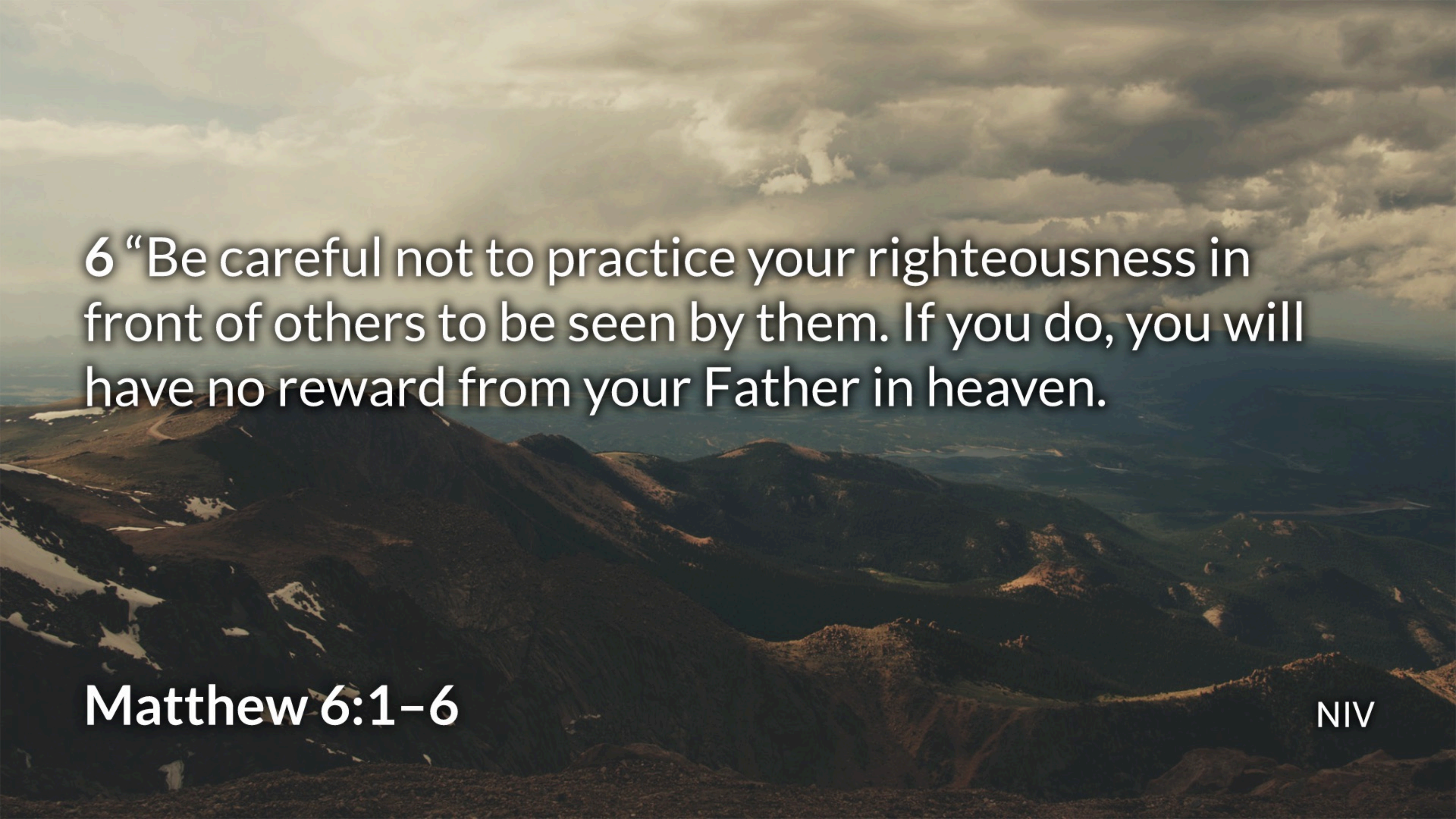


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Matthew 5-7



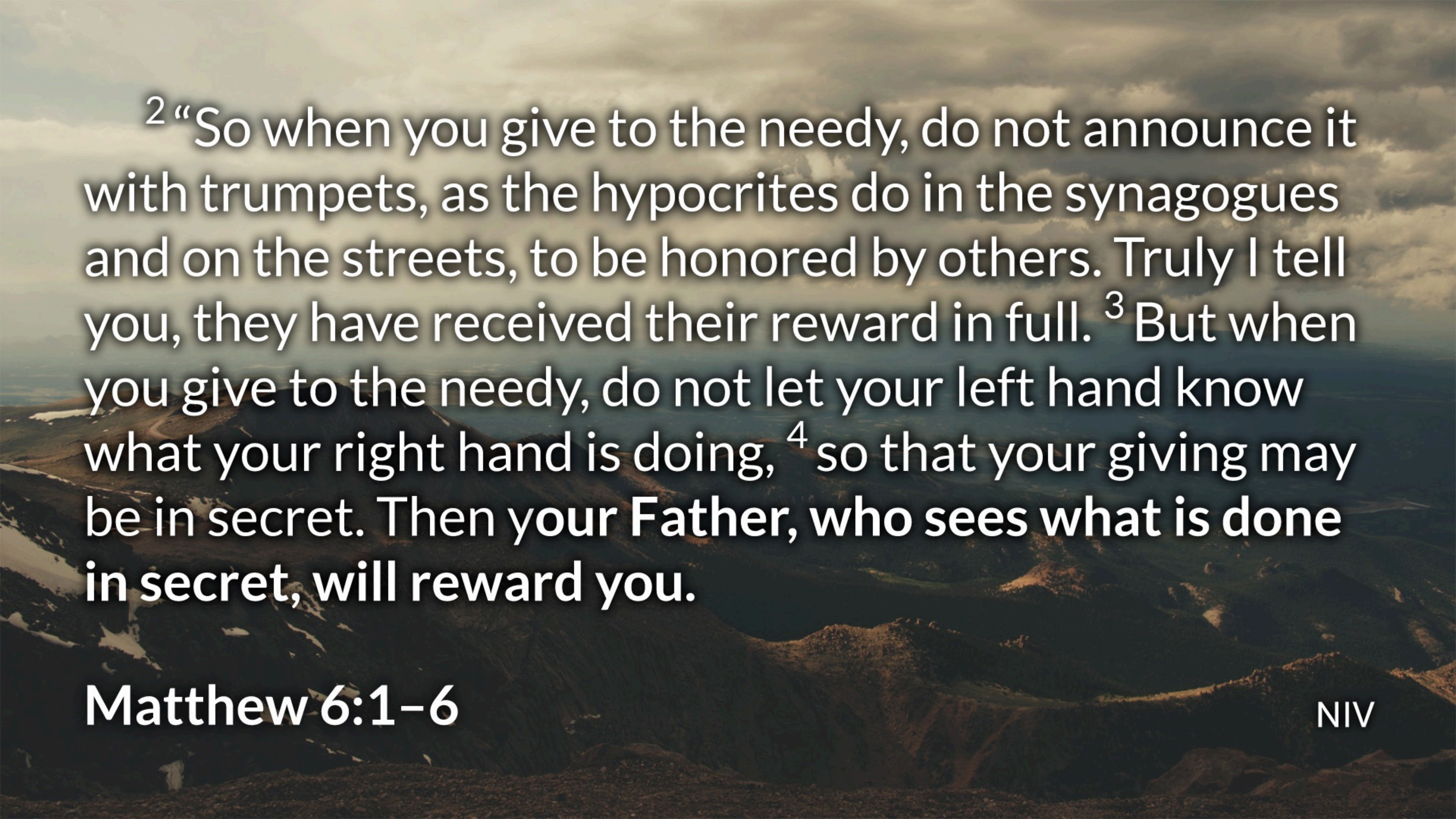
Practicing Righteousness

A dramatic landscape of rolling hills and mountains under a cloudy sky at dusk or dawn. The foreground shows dark, rugged terrain with patches of snow. The middle ground features a series of ridges and valleys, some covered in green vegetation. The background is a vast expanse of hills under a sky filled with large, textured clouds. The overall mood is contemplative and majestic.

6 “Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven.

Matthew 6:1–6

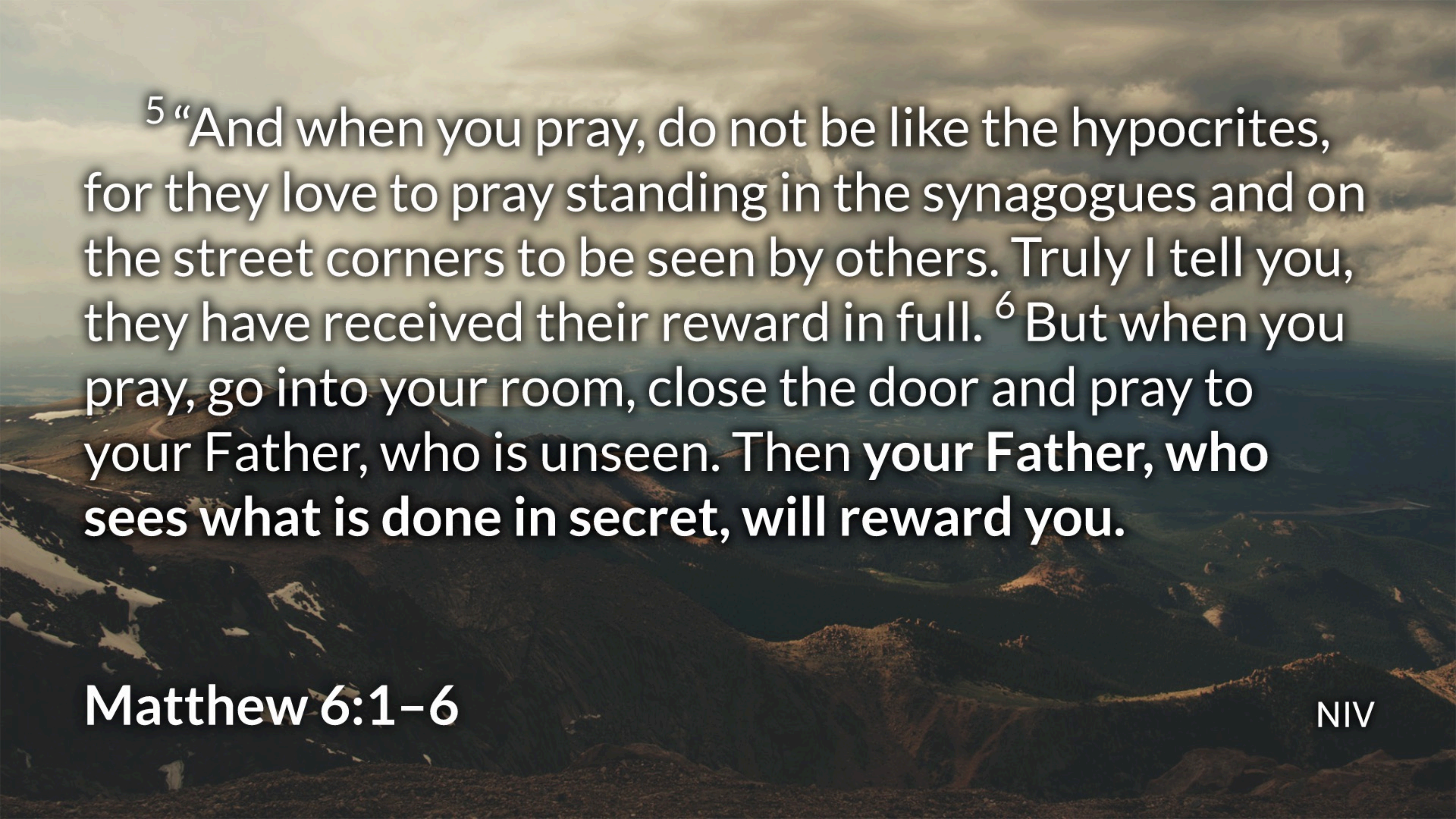
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²“So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. ³ But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, ⁴ so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

Matthew 6:1–6

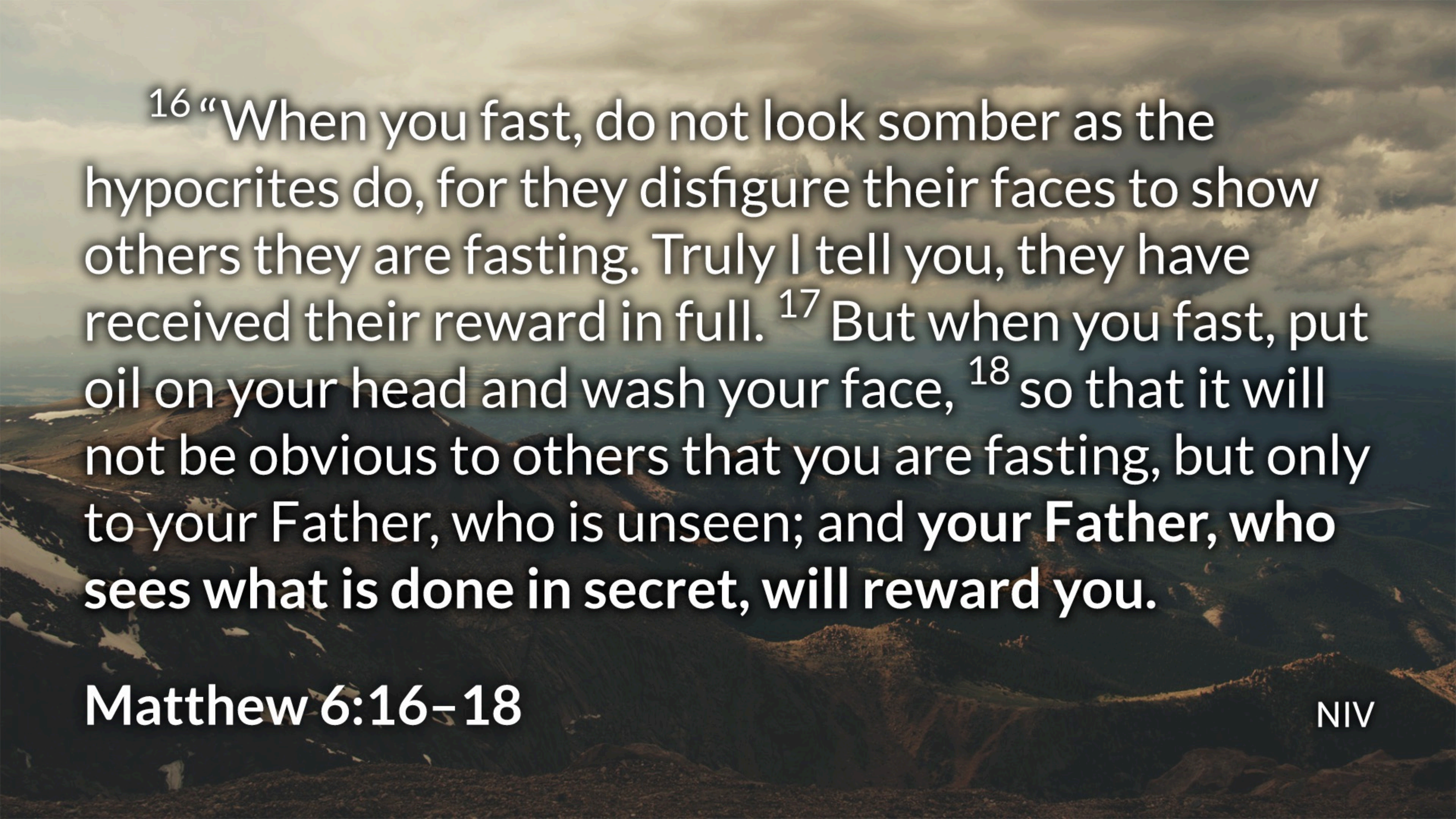
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⁵ “And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. ⁶ But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then **your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.**

Matthew 6:1–6

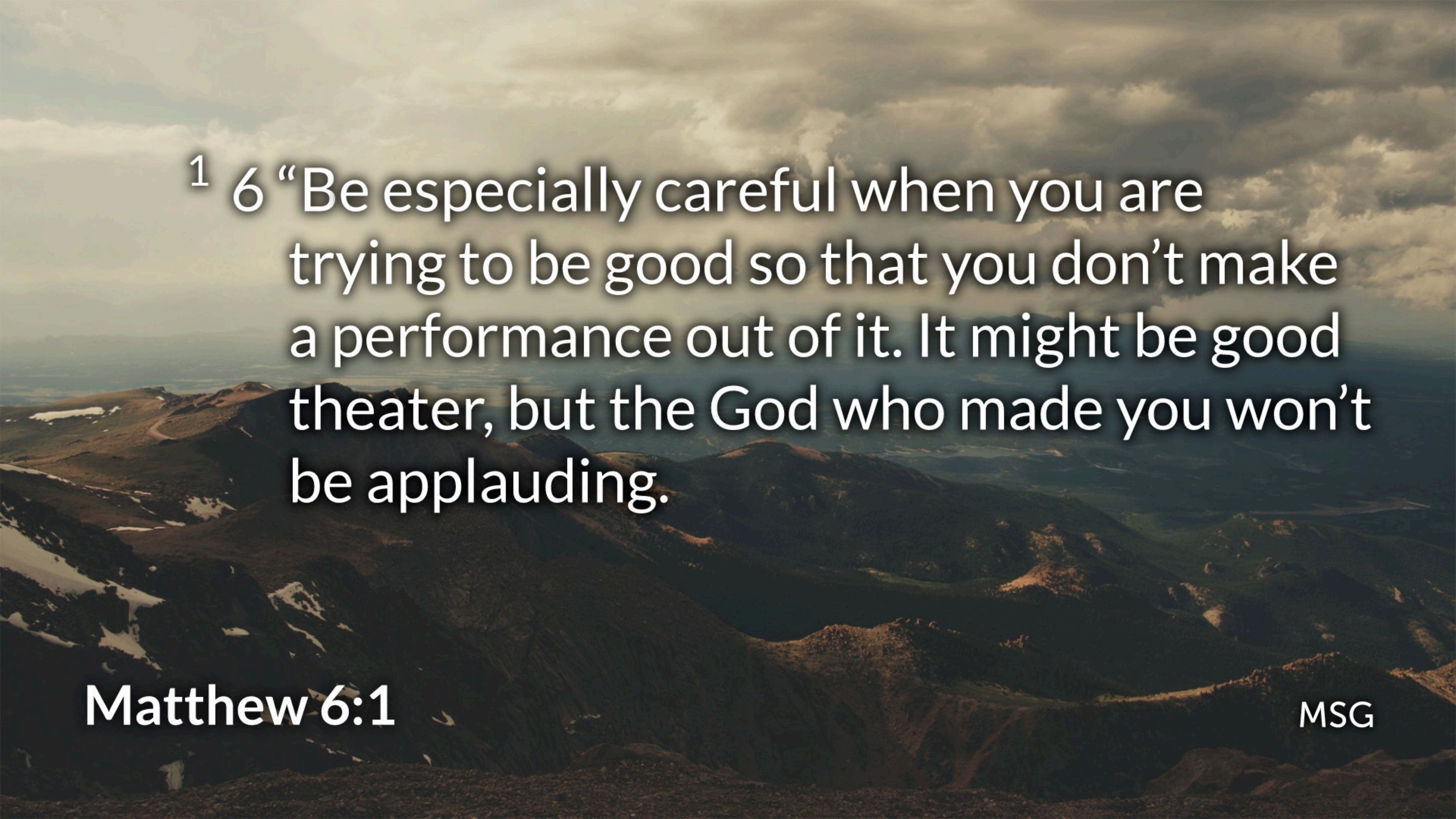
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¹⁶ “When you fast, do not look somber as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces to show others they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. ¹⁷ But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, ¹⁸ so that it will not be obvious to others that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and **your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.**

Matthew 6:16–18

NIV



¹ 6 “Be especially careful when you are trying to be good so that you don’t make a performance out of it. It might be good theater, but the God who made you won’t be applauding.

Matthew 6:1

MSG

A wide-angle landscape photograph showing a series of dark, rugged mountain ranges and deep valleys. Patches of snow are visible on the mountain slopes. The sky is filled with large, dramatic clouds, with light breaking through in some areas. The overall tone is somber and majestic.

God is an Audience of One

A wide-angle landscape photograph showing a vast mountain range. The foreground features dark, rugged mountain slopes with patches of snow. The middle ground shows rolling hills and valleys, some covered in green vegetation. The background consists of distant, hazy mountain peaks under a sky filled with large, dramatic clouds. The overall tone is moody and atmospheric.

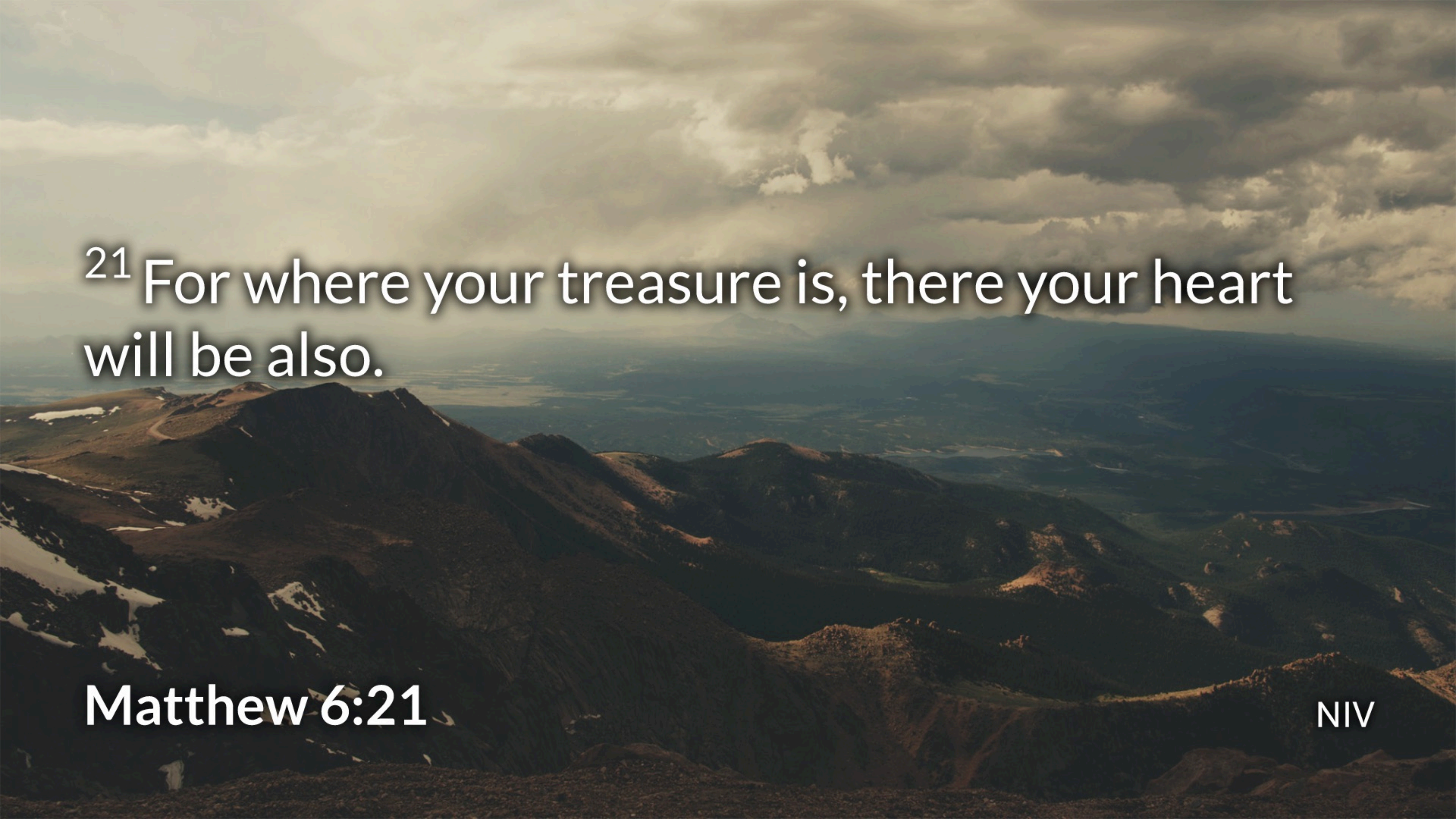
Why are you doing what you are doing?

A wide-angle landscape photograph showing a vast mountain range under a heavy, overcast sky. The mountains in the foreground are dark and rugged, with patches of snow or light-colored rock. The sky is filled with large, textured clouds, with some light breaking through near the horizon. The overall mood is somber and majestic.

Kingdom Law of Compensation-Expect to be
paid by the one you work for

A wide-angle landscape photograph showing a series of dark, rugged mountain peaks in the foreground and middle ground. Patches of snow are visible on the slopes of the mountains. In the far distance, a valley or plain is visible under a sky filled with large, textured clouds. The lighting is soft, suggesting either dawn or dusk.

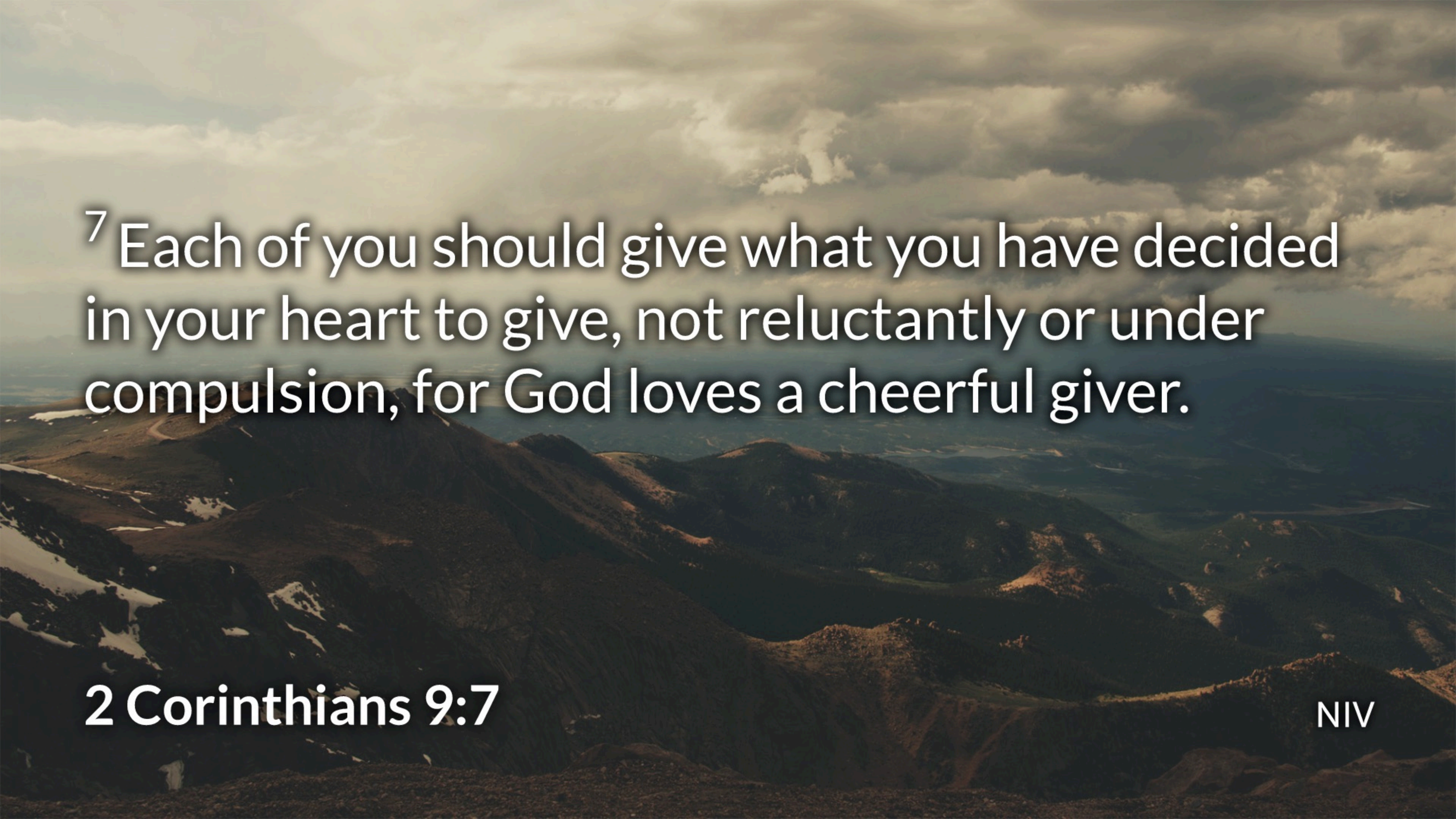
When you give...



²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6:21

NIV



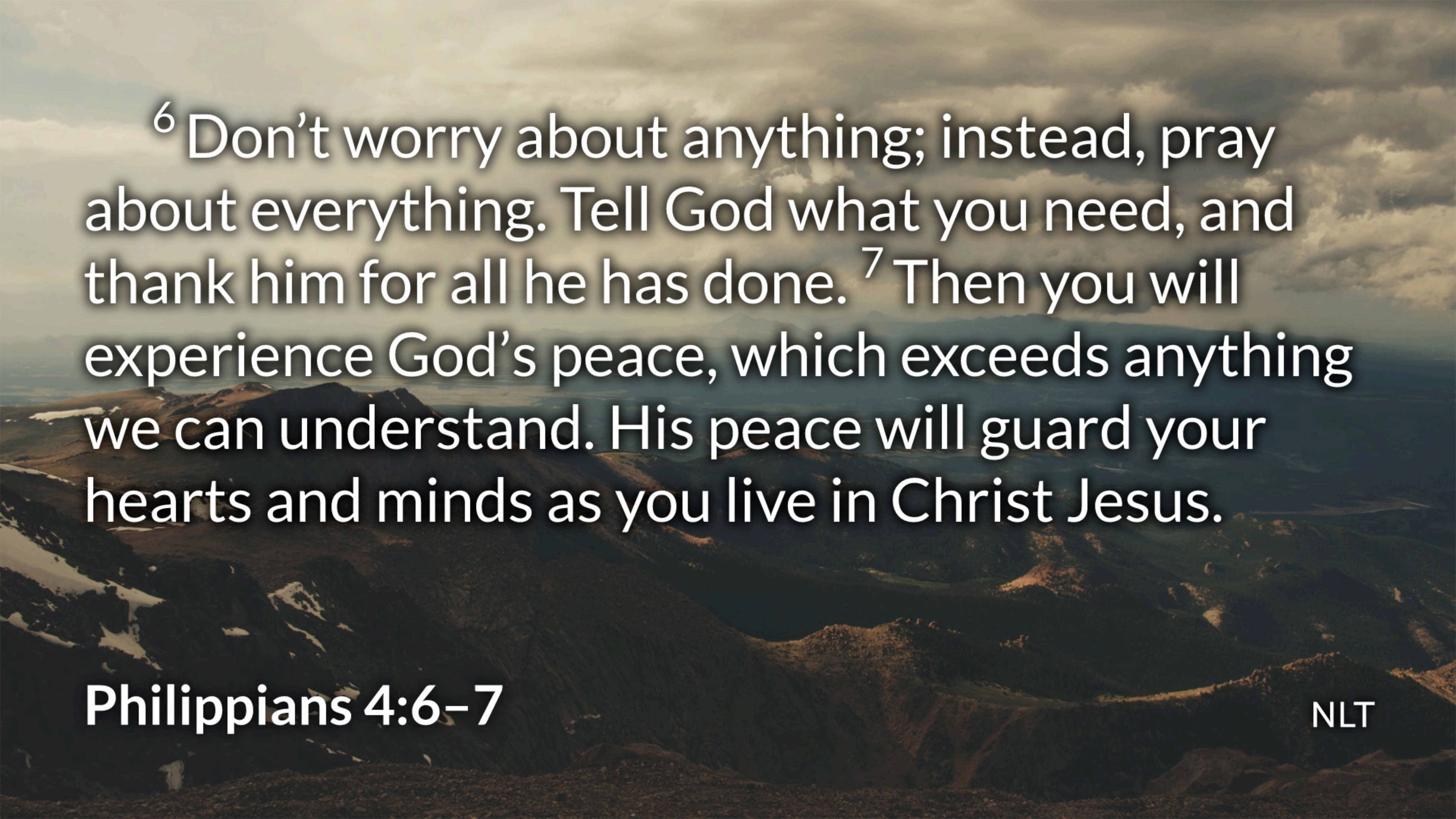
⁷ Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7

NIV

A wide-angle landscape photograph showing a series of mountain ridges and valleys. The foreground features dark, rugged mountain slopes with patches of snow. The middle ground shows rolling hills and valleys covered in dense green forest. In the far distance, more mountain ranges are visible under a sky filled with large, dramatic clouds. The lighting suggests a time of day like dawn or dusk, with a soft glow breaking through the clouds.

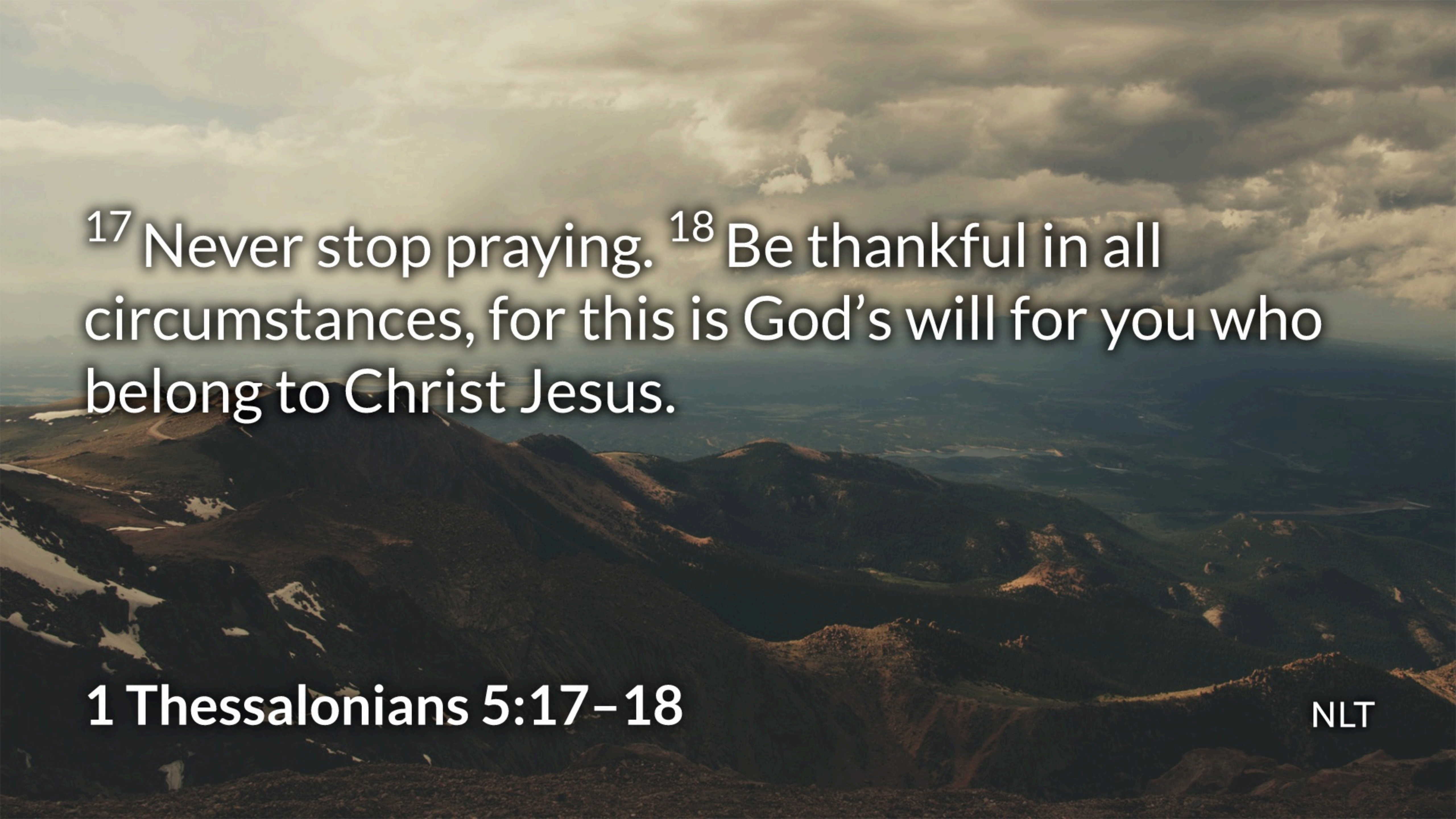
When you pray...



⁶ Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. ⁷ Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:6–7

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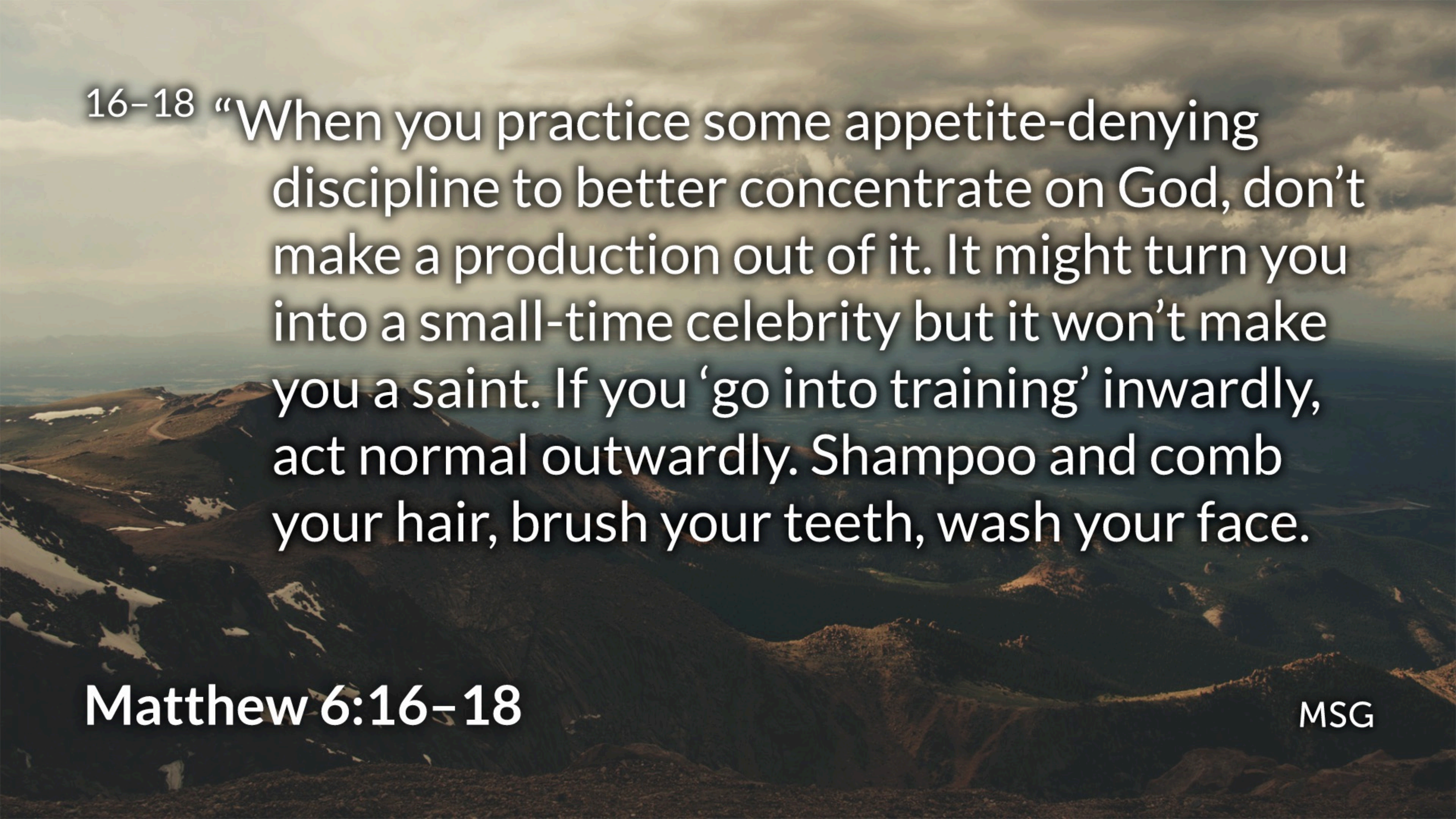
¹⁷ Never stop praying. ¹⁸ Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:17–18

NLT

A wide-angle landscape photograph showing a series of dark, rugged mountain peaks. Patches of snow are visible on the slopes and in the valleys. The sky is filled with heavy, dramatic clouds, with some light breaking through near the horizon. The overall tone is somber and majestic.

When you fast...



16–18 “When you practice some appetite-denying discipline to better concentrate on God, don’t make a production out of it. It might turn you into a small-time celebrity but it won’t make you a saint. If you ‘go into training’ inwardly, act normal outwardly. Shampoo and comb your hair, brush your teeth, wash your face.

Matthew 6:16–18

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God doesn't require attention-getting devices. He won't overlook what you are doing; he'll reward you well.

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