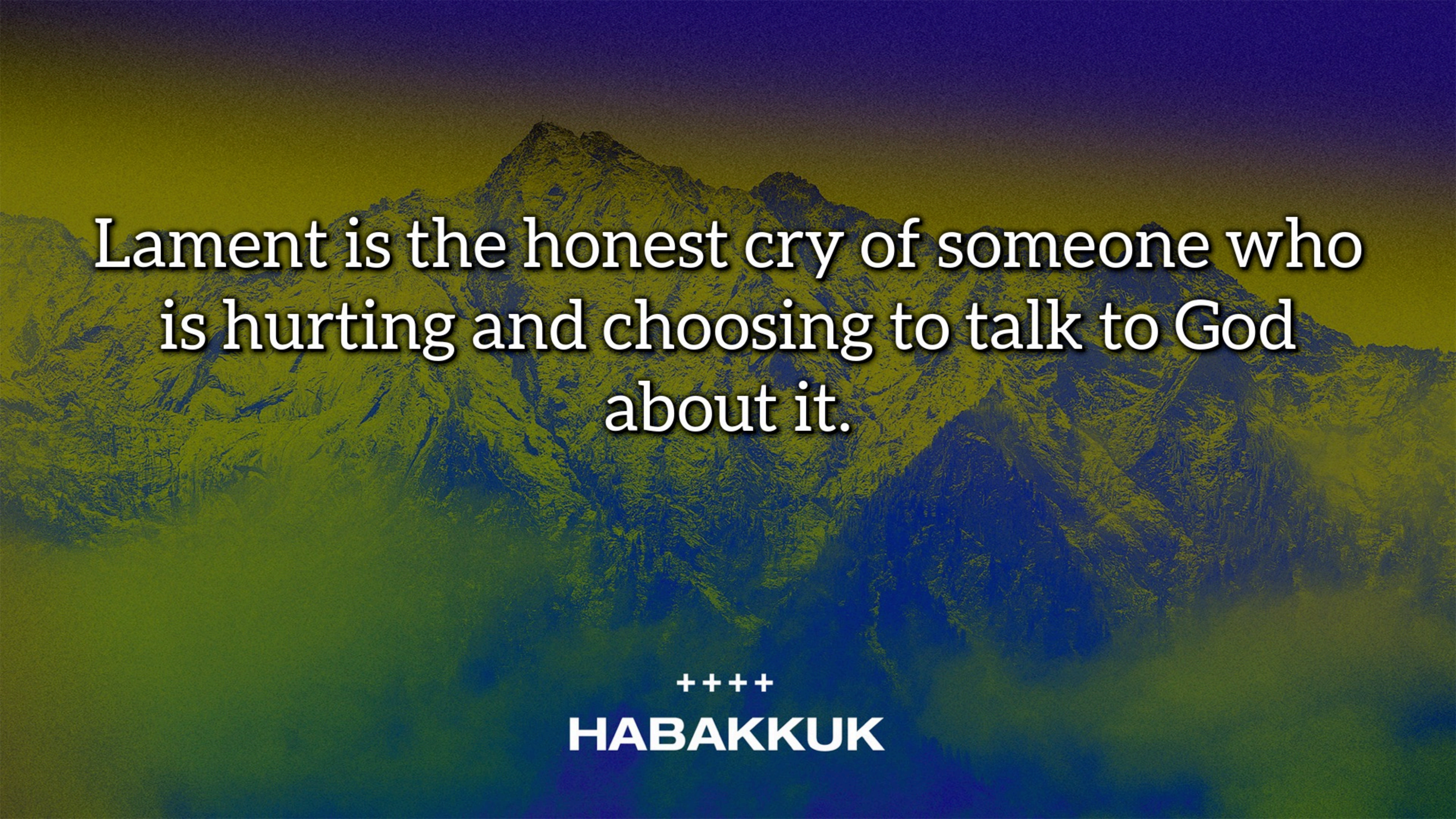




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Lament is the honest cry of someone who  
is hurting and choosing to talk to God  
about it.

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<sup>5</sup>Look among the nations and watch!  
Be astonished and stare  
because something is happening in  
your days  
that you wouldn't believe even if  
told.

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Habakkuk 1:5–2:1

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<sup>6</sup>I am about to rouse the Chaldeans,  
that bitter and impetuous nation,  
which travels throughout the earth  
to possess dwelling places  
it does not own.

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Habakkuk 1:5–2:1

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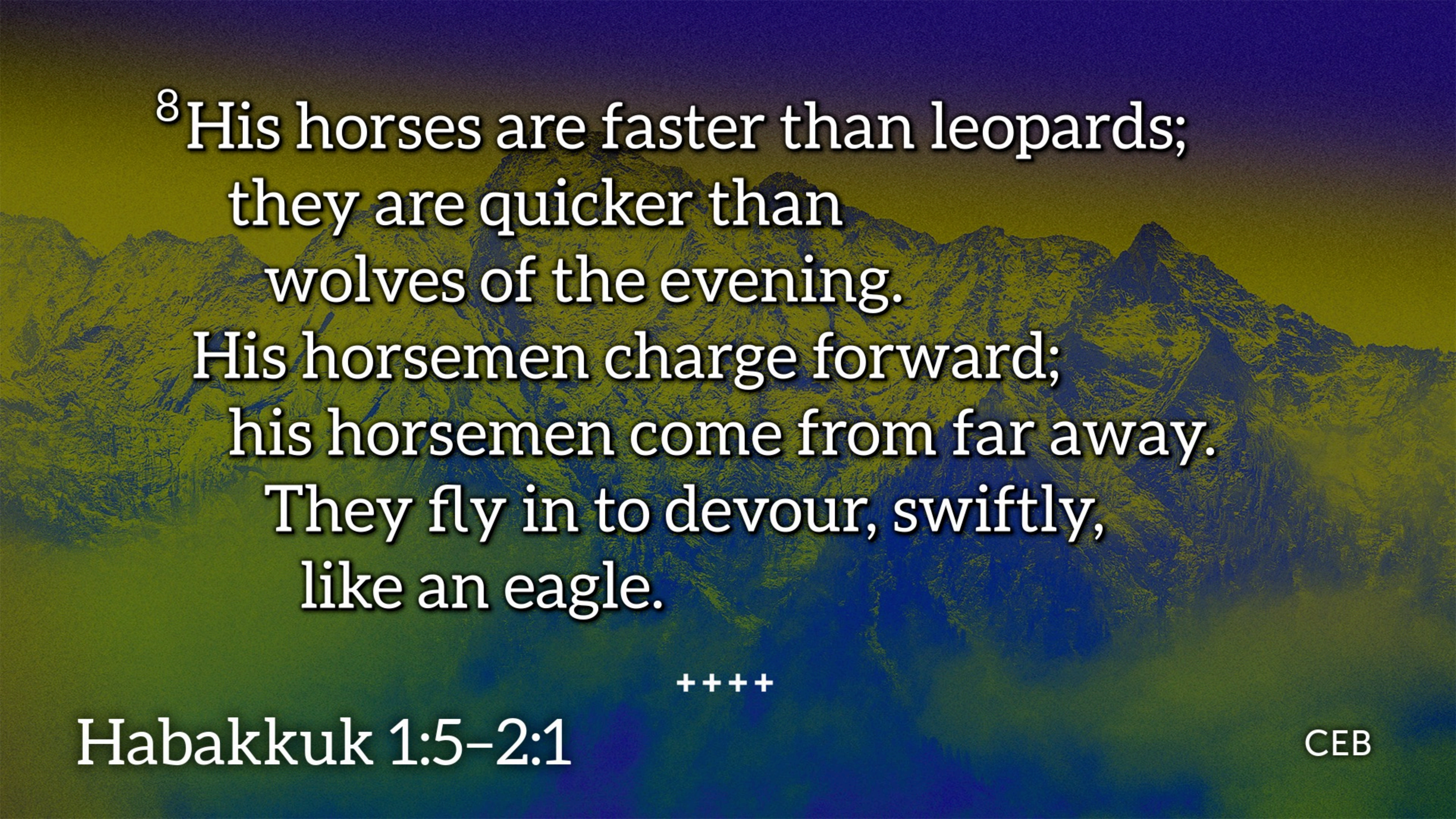
<sup>7</sup>The Chaldean is dreadful and fearful.  
He makes his own justice and dignity.

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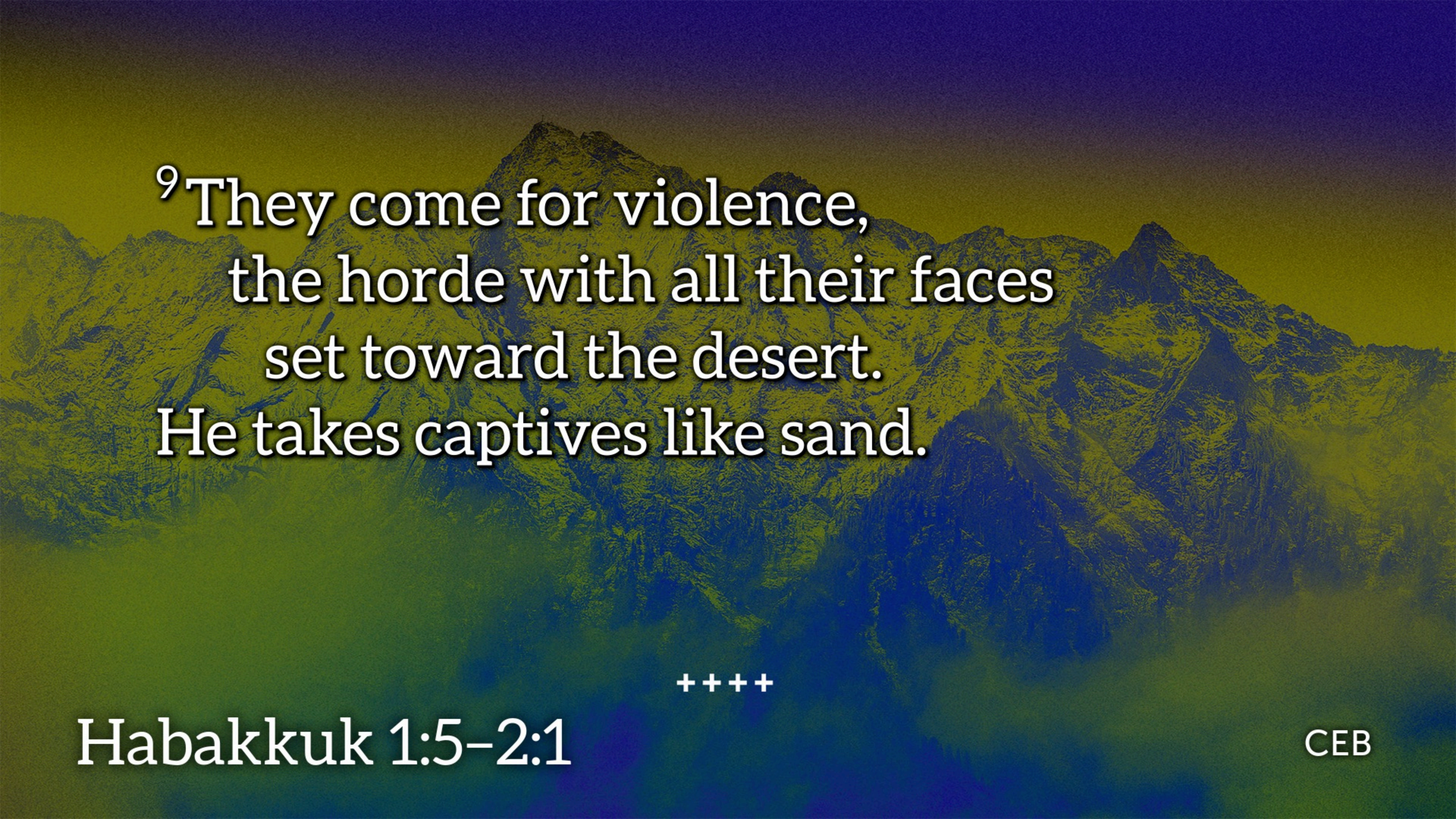
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His horsemen charge forward;  
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They fly in to devour, swiftly,  
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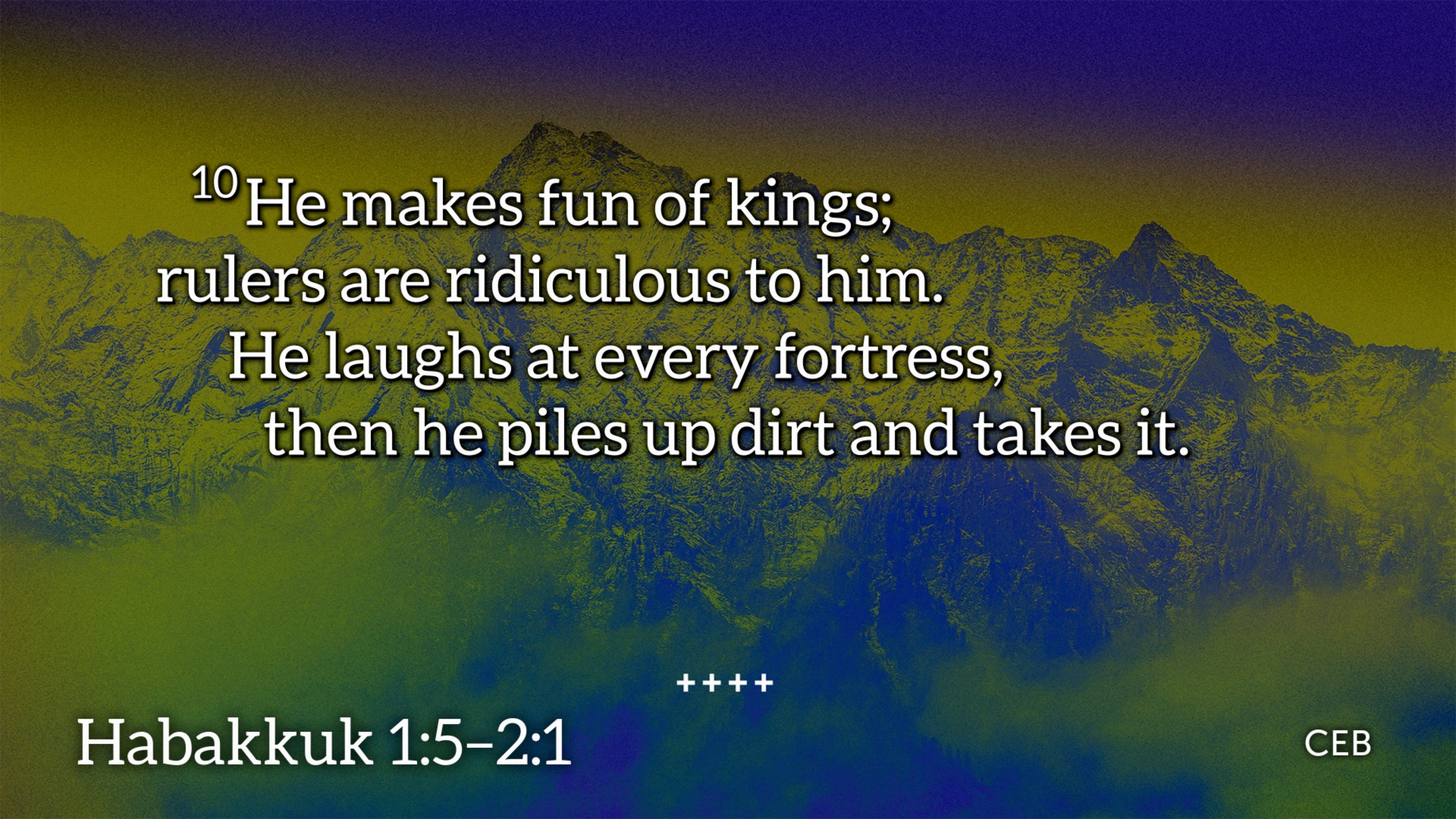
<sup>9</sup>They come for violence,  
the horde with all their faces  
set toward the desert.  
He takes captives like sand.

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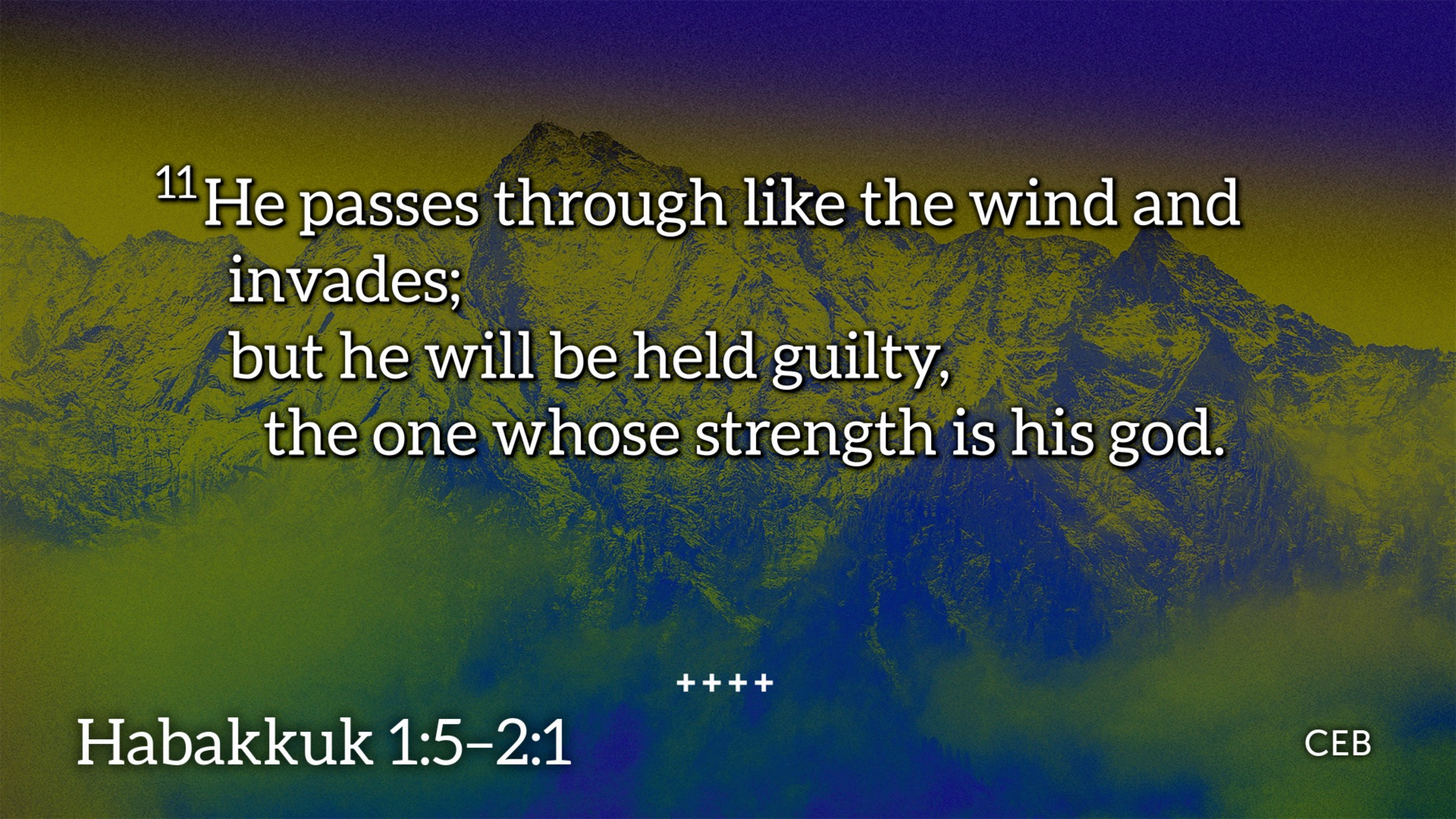
<sup>10</sup>He makes fun of kings;  
rulers are ridiculous to him.  
He laughs at every fortress,  
then he piles up dirt and takes it.

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<sup>11</sup>He passes through like the wind and  
invades;  
but he will be held guilty,  
the one whose strength is his god.

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Habakkuk 1:5–2:1

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<sup>12</sup>LORD, aren't you ancient,  
my God, my holy one?

Don't let us die.

LORD, you put the Chaldean here  
for judgment.

Rock, you established him as a rebuke.

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Habakkuk 1:5–2:1

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<sup>13</sup>Your eyes are too pure to look on evil;  
you are unable to look at disaster.  
Why would you look at the treacherous  
or keep silent when the wicked  
swallows one who is more righteous?

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Habakkuk 1:5–2:1

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<sup>14</sup>You made humans like the fish of the  
sea,  
like creeping things  
with no one to rule over them.

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Habakkuk 1:5–2:1

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<sup>15</sup>The Chaldean brings all of them up  
with a fishhook.

He drags them away with a net;  
he collects them in his fishing net,  
then he rejoices and celebrates.

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Habakkuk 1:5–2:1

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<sup>16</sup>Therefore, he sacrifices to his net;  
he burns incense to his fishing nets,  
because due to them  
his portion grows fat  
and his food becomes luxurious.

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<sup>17</sup> Should he continue to empty his net  
and continue to slay nations  
without sparing them?

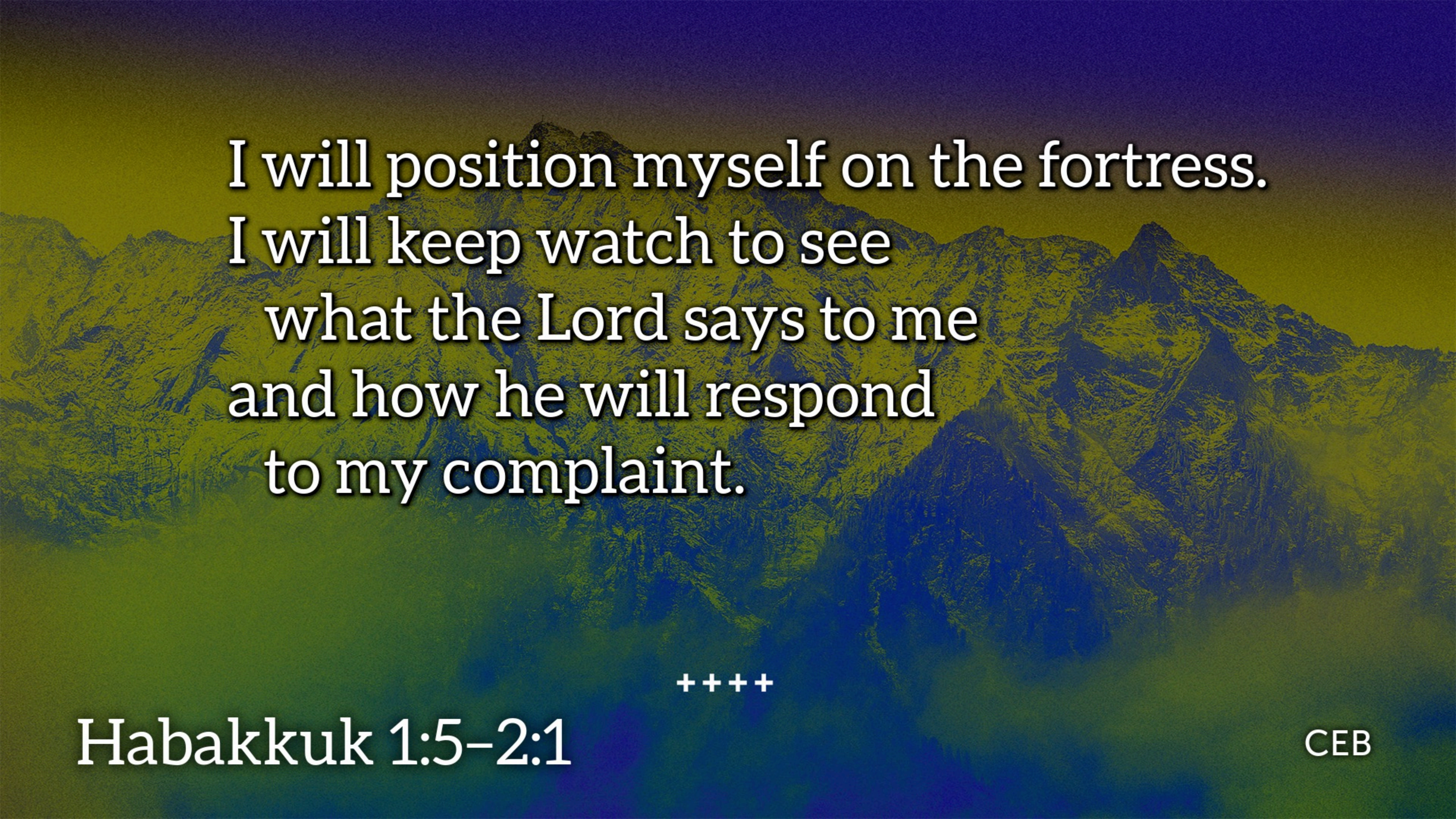
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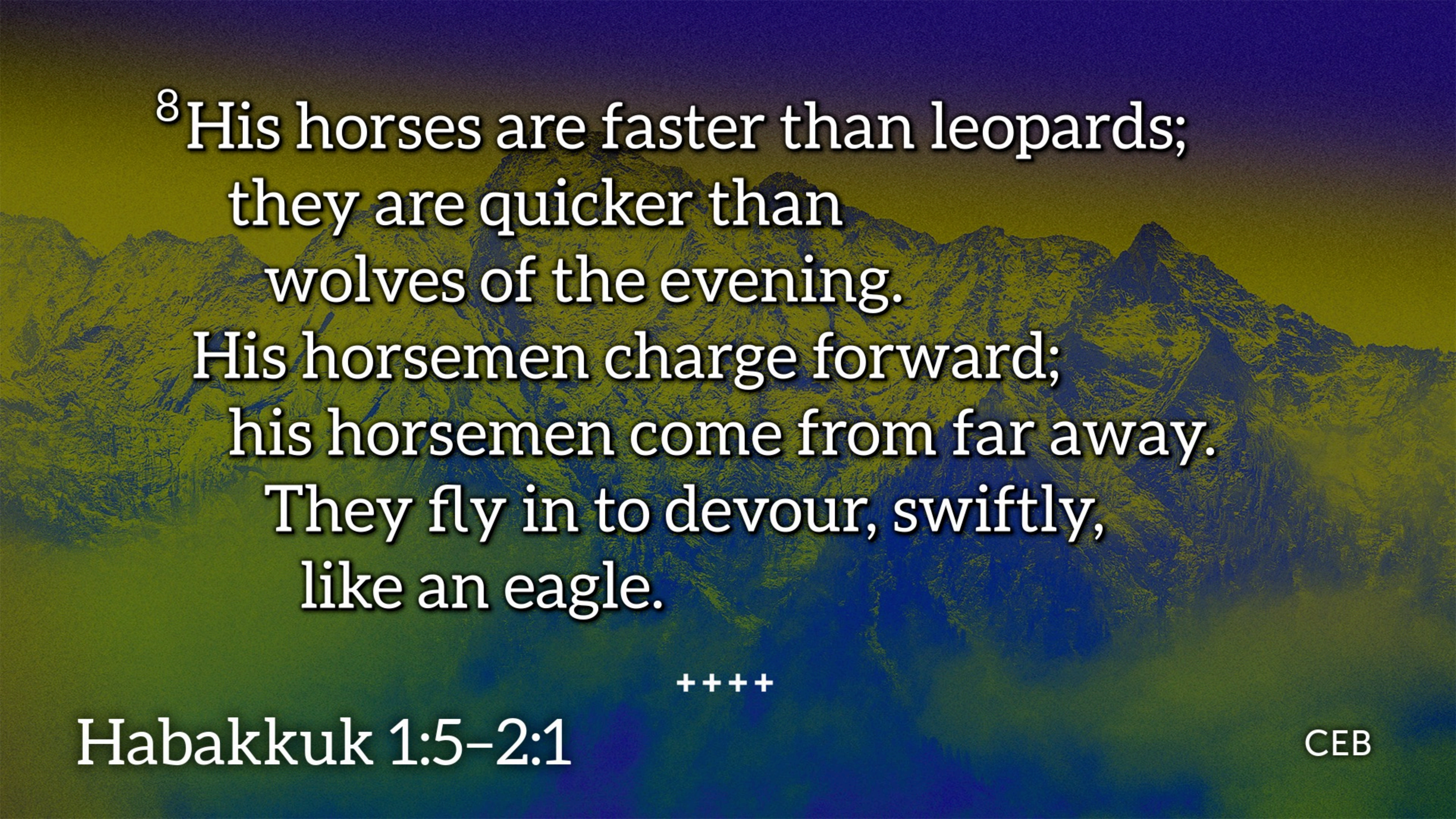
I will position myself on the fortress.  
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to my complaint.

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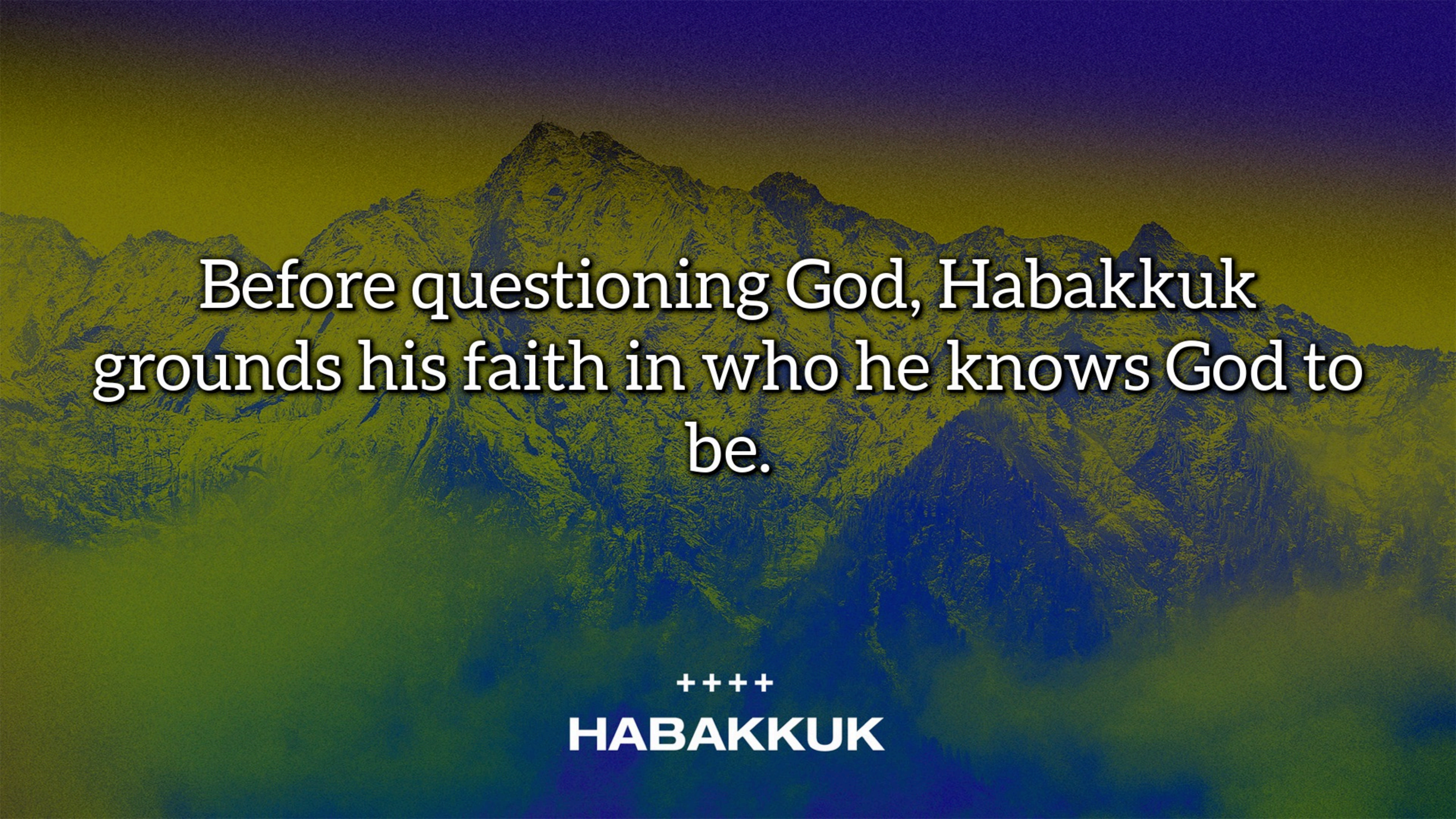
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Habakkuk 1:8

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Before questioning God, Habakkuk  
grounds his faith in who he knows God to  
be.

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Don't let us die.

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Habakkuk 1:12

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“Lament is not the opposite of faith;  
it is what faith looks like when it goes  
through the fire.”

-Dr. Soong-Chan Rah

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‘There has always been this important distinction between bitter cynicism and believing confrontation: one is a denial that refuses to believe, the other is a belief that refuses to deny; one makes assertions and will not stay for an answer, the other makes assertions and will not move until there is an answer.’ — David Prior

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Before a holy God, no one is righteous—  
not even us.

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God's justice is impartial.

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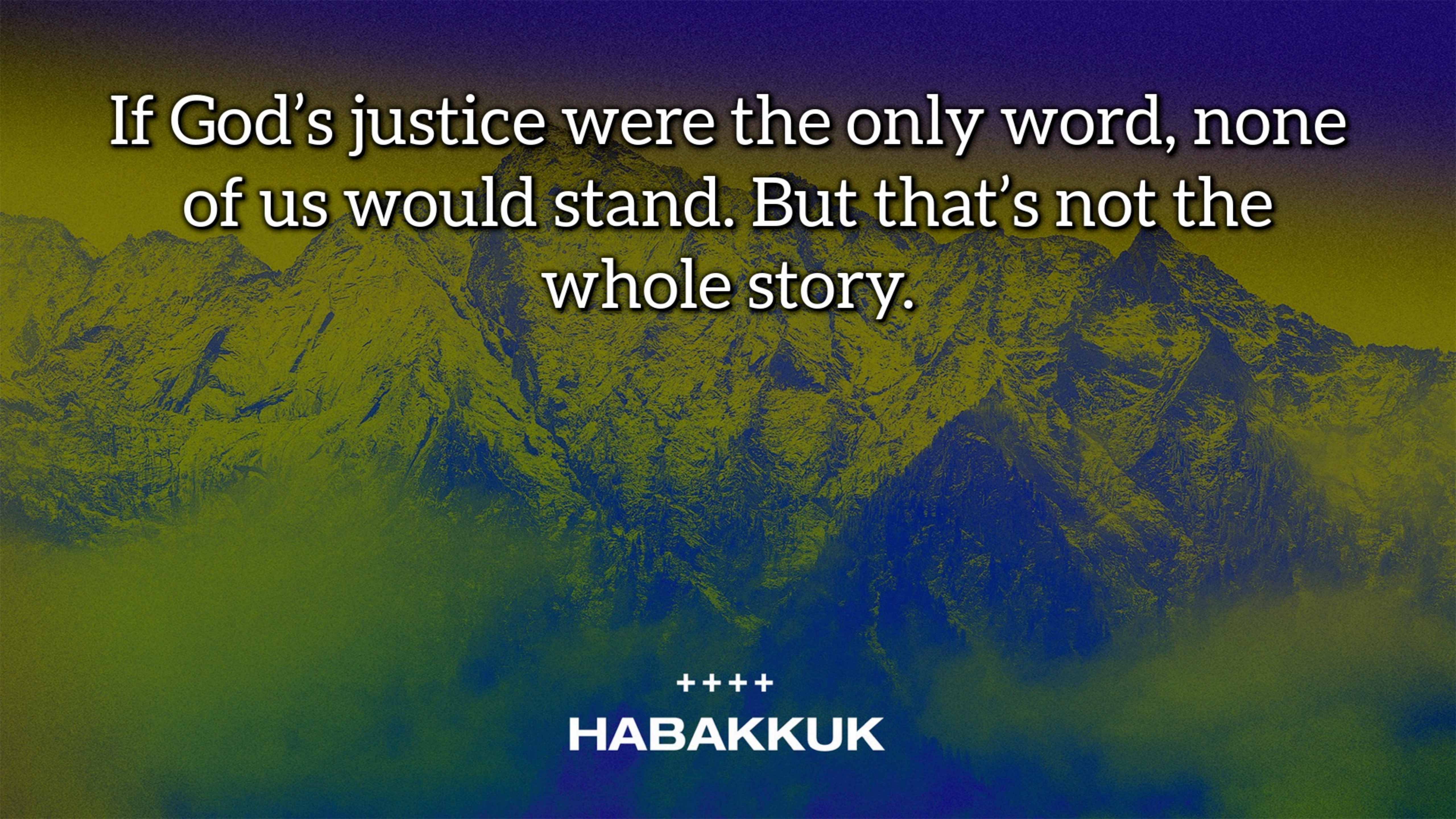
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I will keep watch to see  
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to my complaint.

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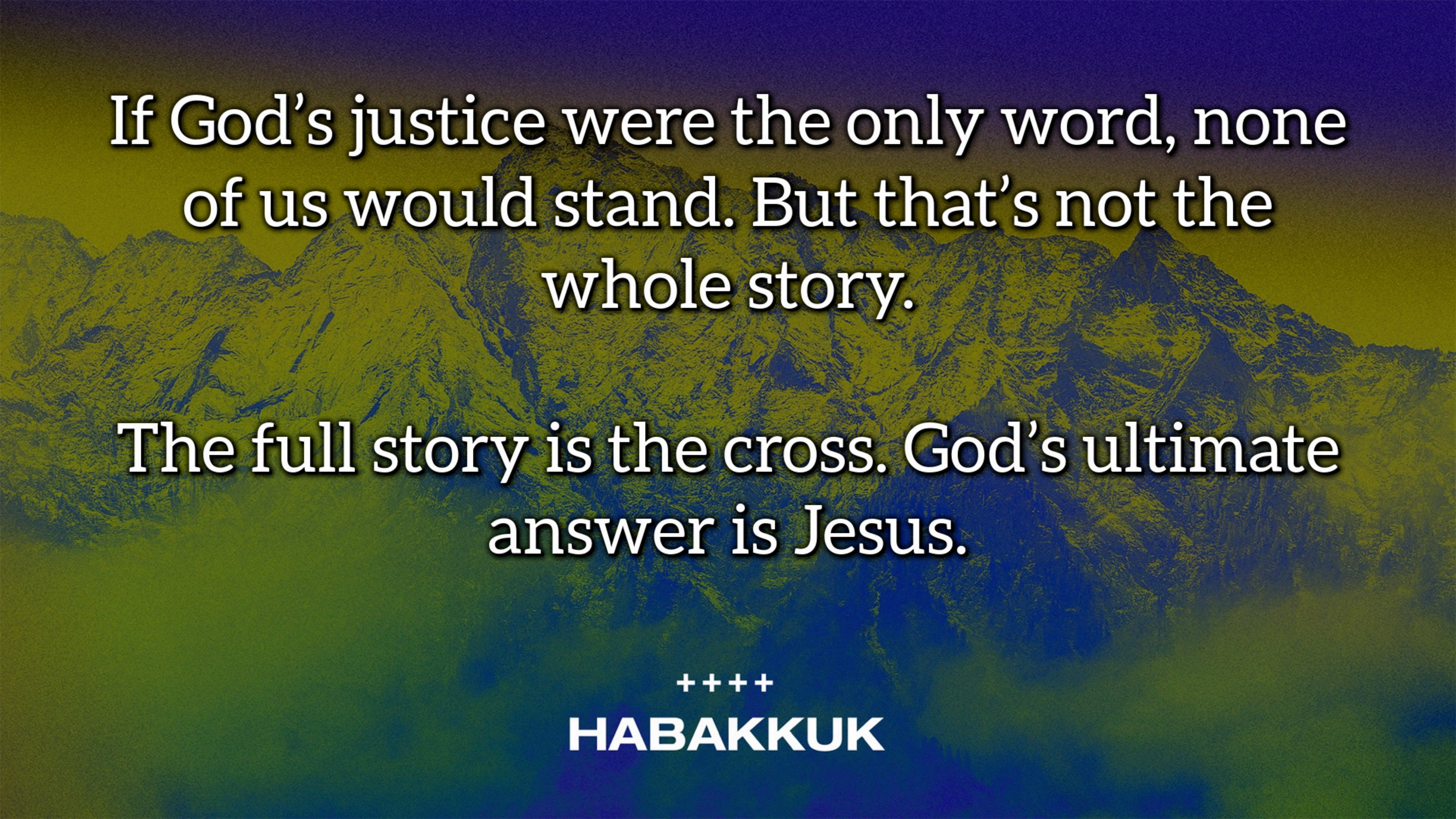


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If God's justice were the only word, none  
of us would stand. But that's not the  
whole story.

The full story is the cross. God's ultimate  
answer is Jesus.

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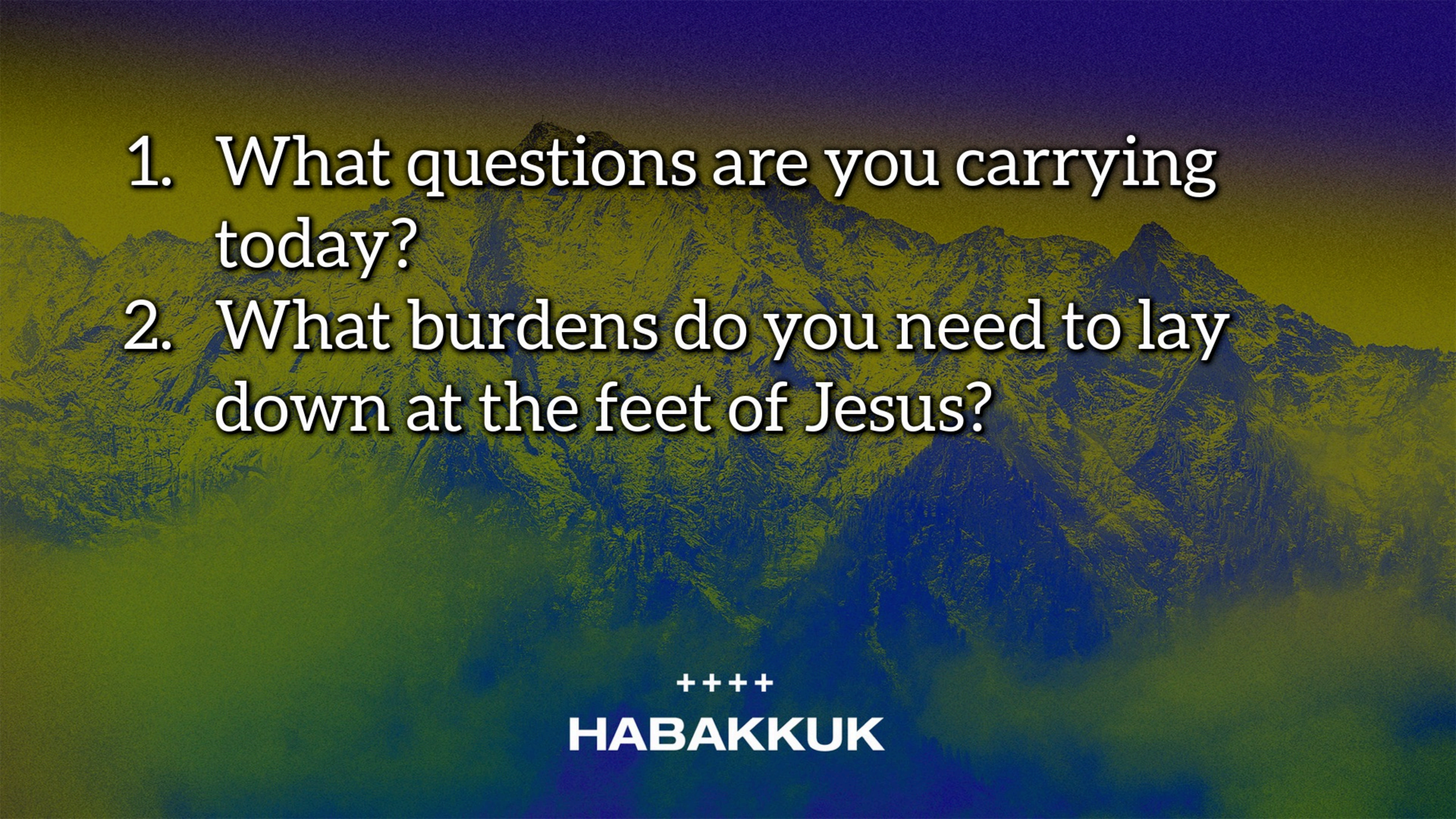


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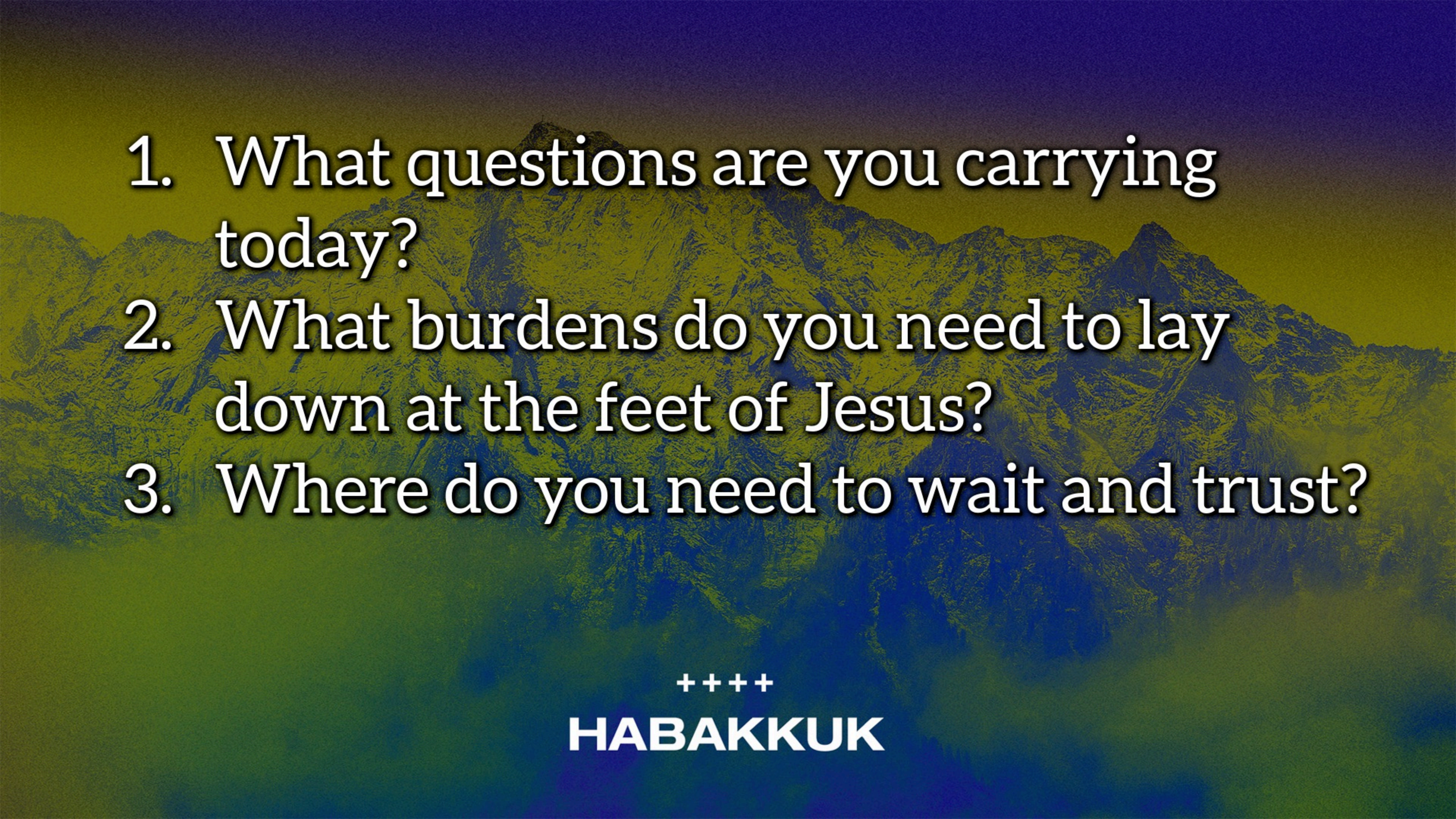


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1. What questions are you carrying today?
  2. What burdens do you need to lay down at the feet of Jesus?
  3. Where do you need to wait and trust?

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