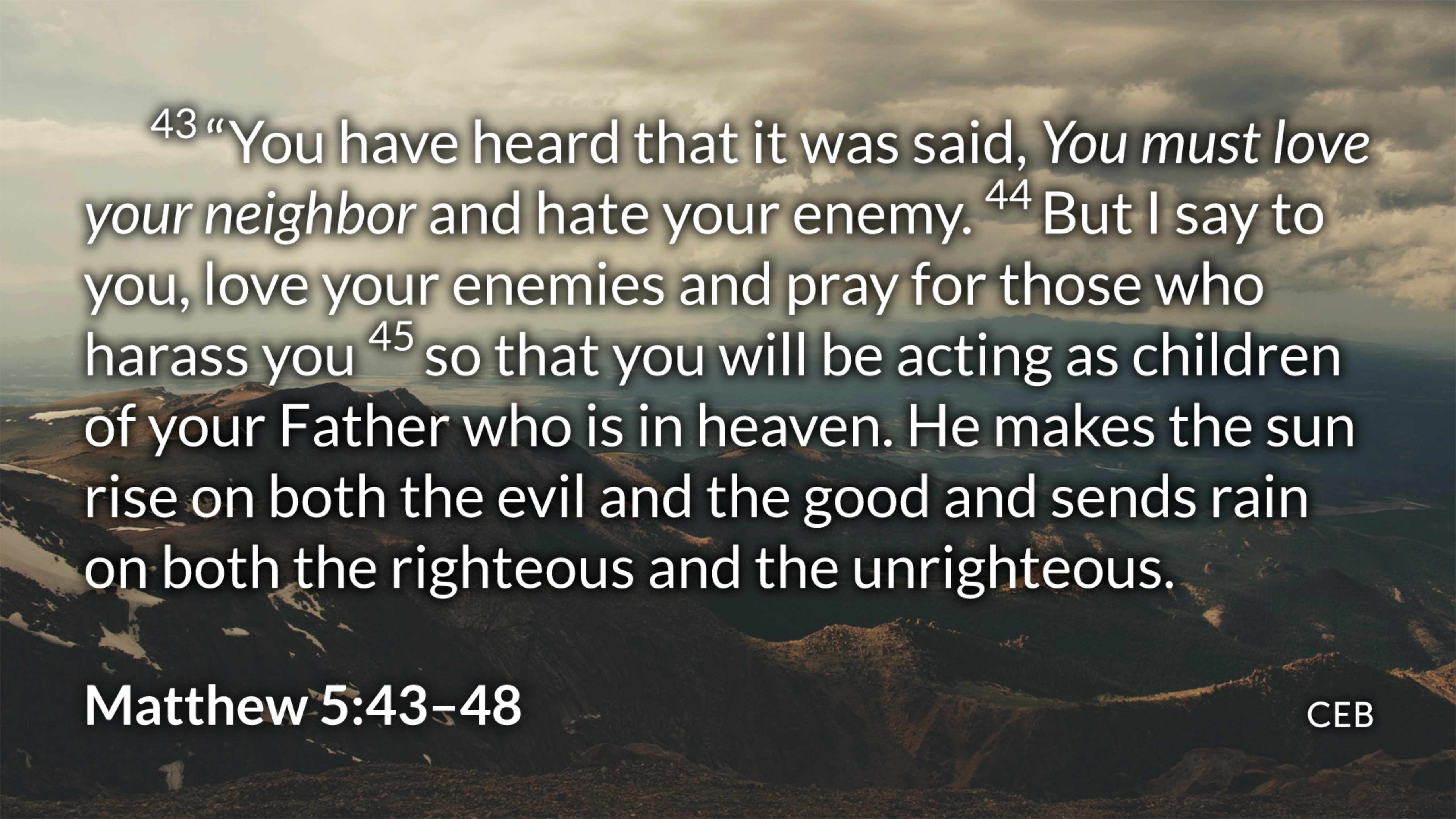


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Matthew 5-7

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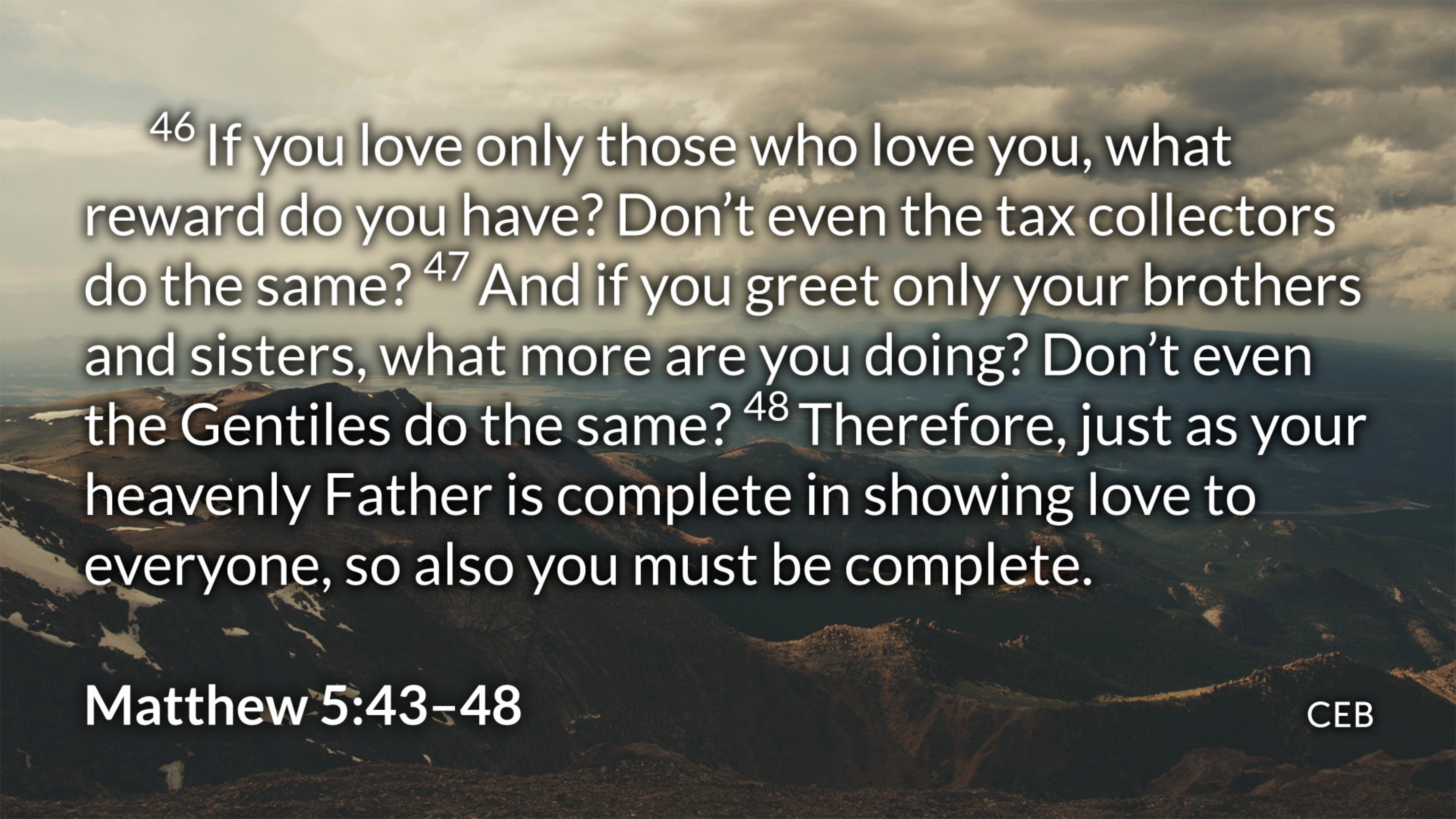
Who is the hardest person for you to love right now?



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Matthew 5:43–48

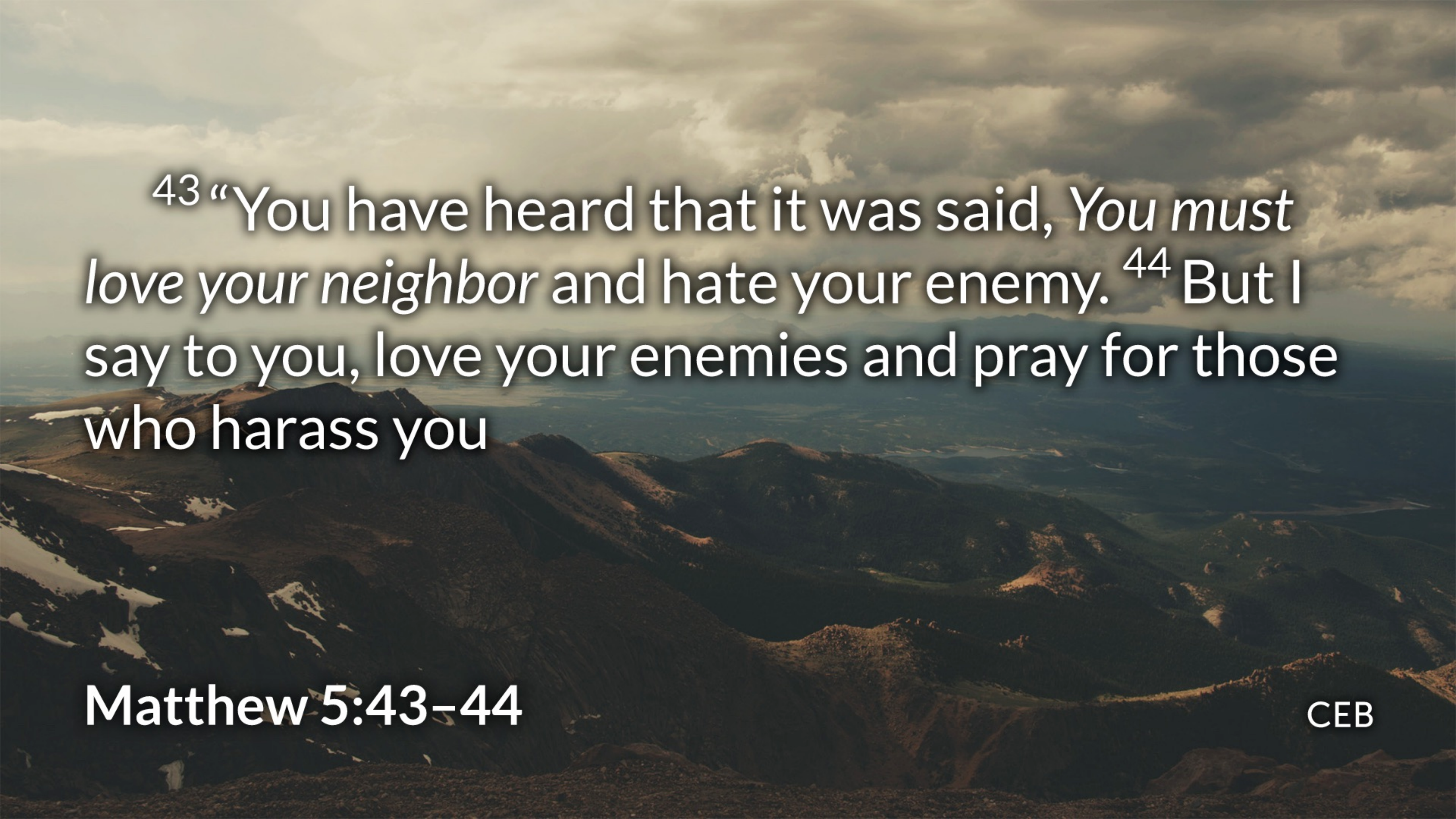
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⁴⁶ If you love only those who love you, what reward do you have? Don't even the tax collectors do the same? ⁴⁷ And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing? Don't even the Gentiles do the same? ⁴⁸ Therefore, just as your heavenly Father is complete in showing love to everyone, so also you must be complete.

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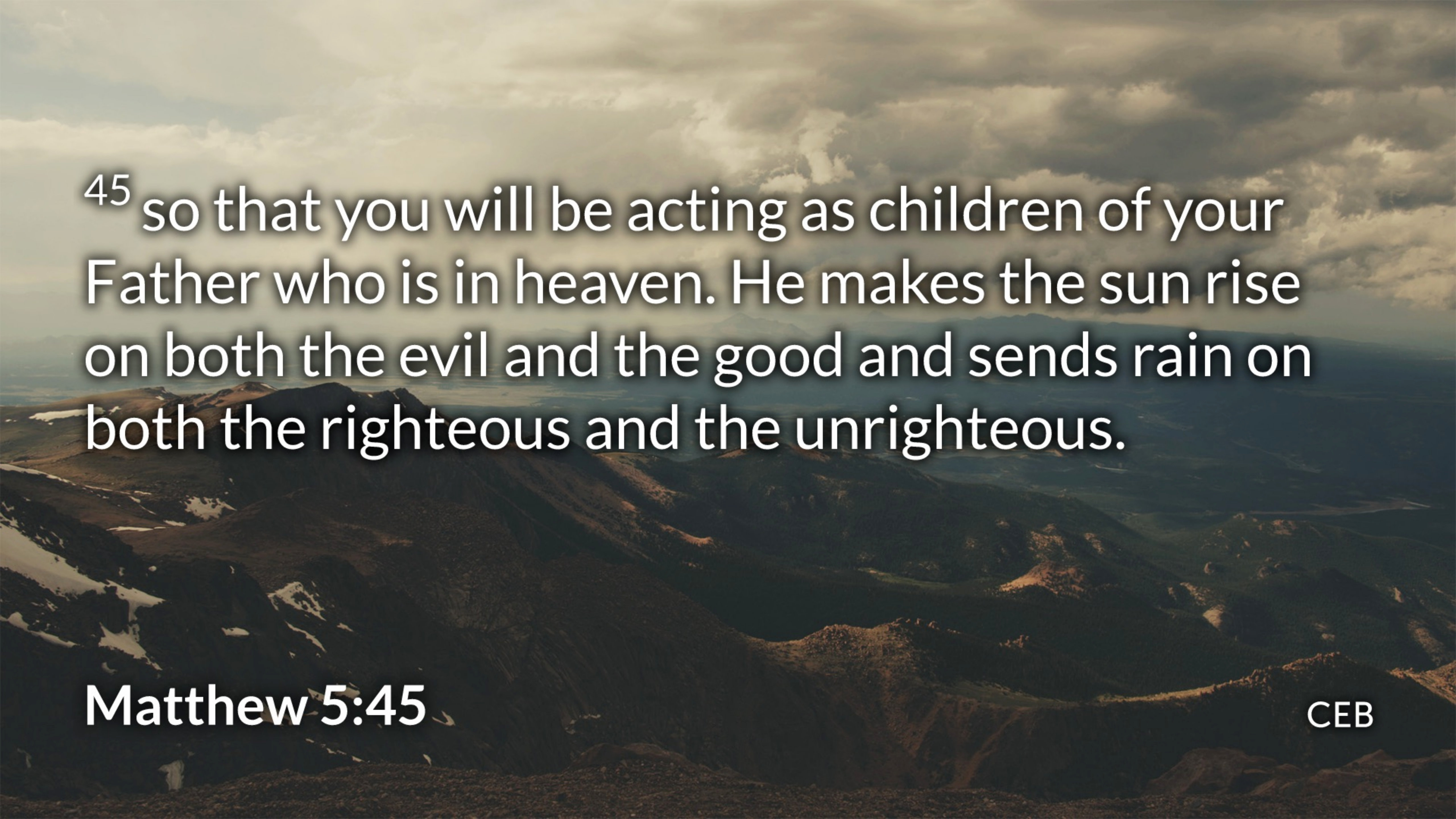
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A dramatic landscape of rolling mountains under a cloudy sky at dusk or dawn. The mountains are dark and rugged, with some patches of snow or light-colored rock visible. The sky is filled with heavy, textured clouds, with a warm, golden light breaking through near the horizon, creating a strong contrast and highlighting the edges of the clouds and the mountain ridges.

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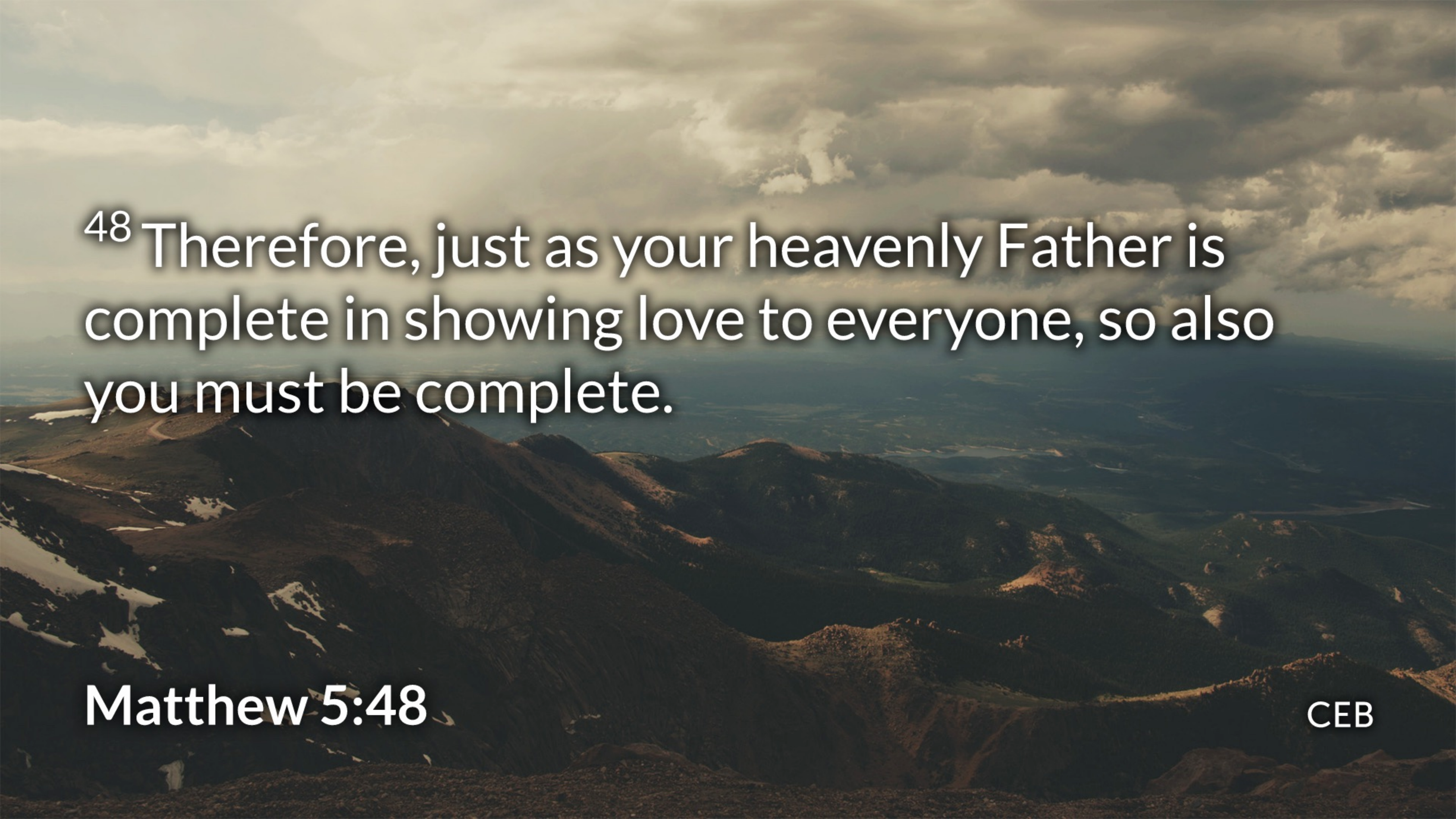
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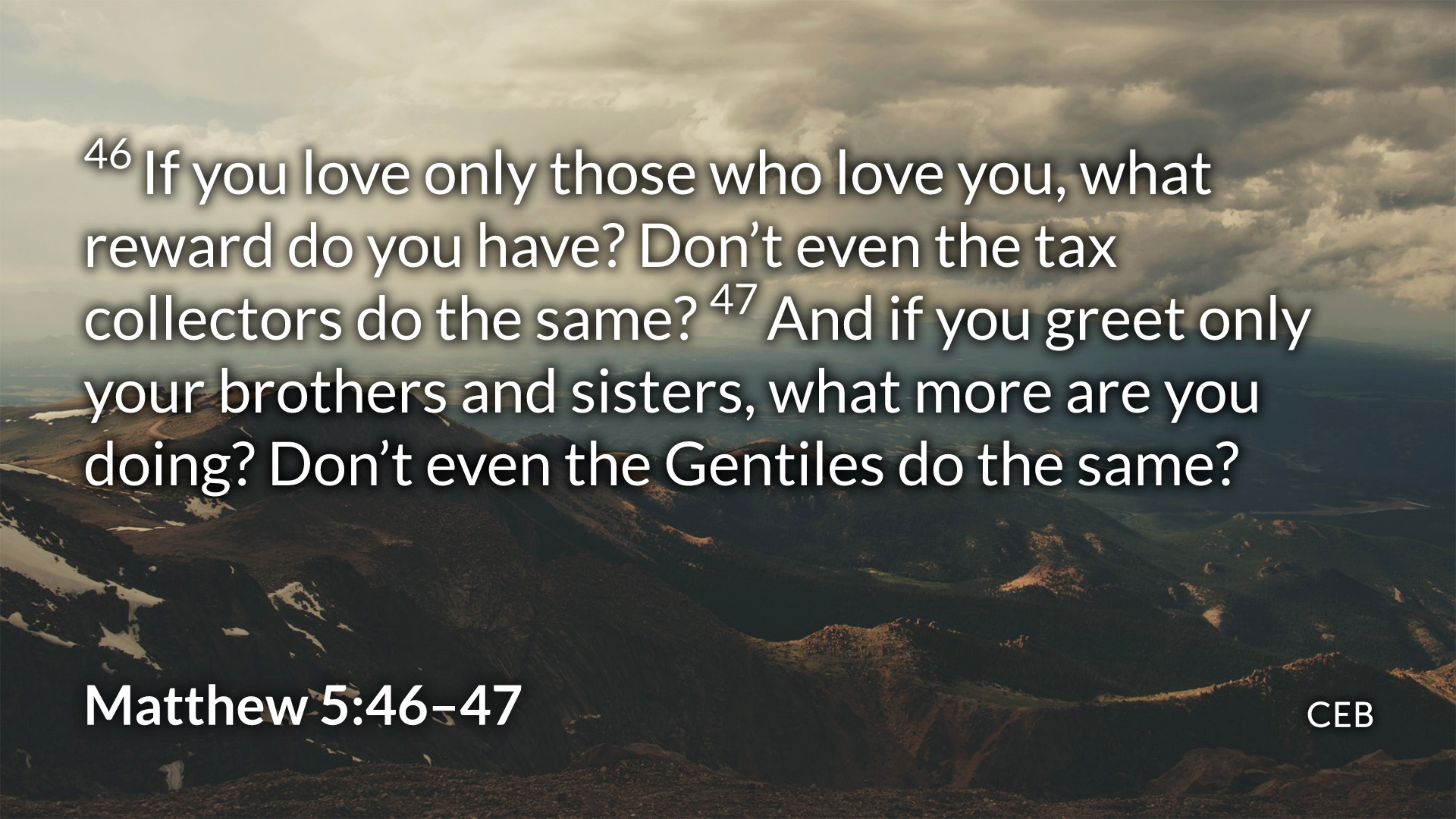
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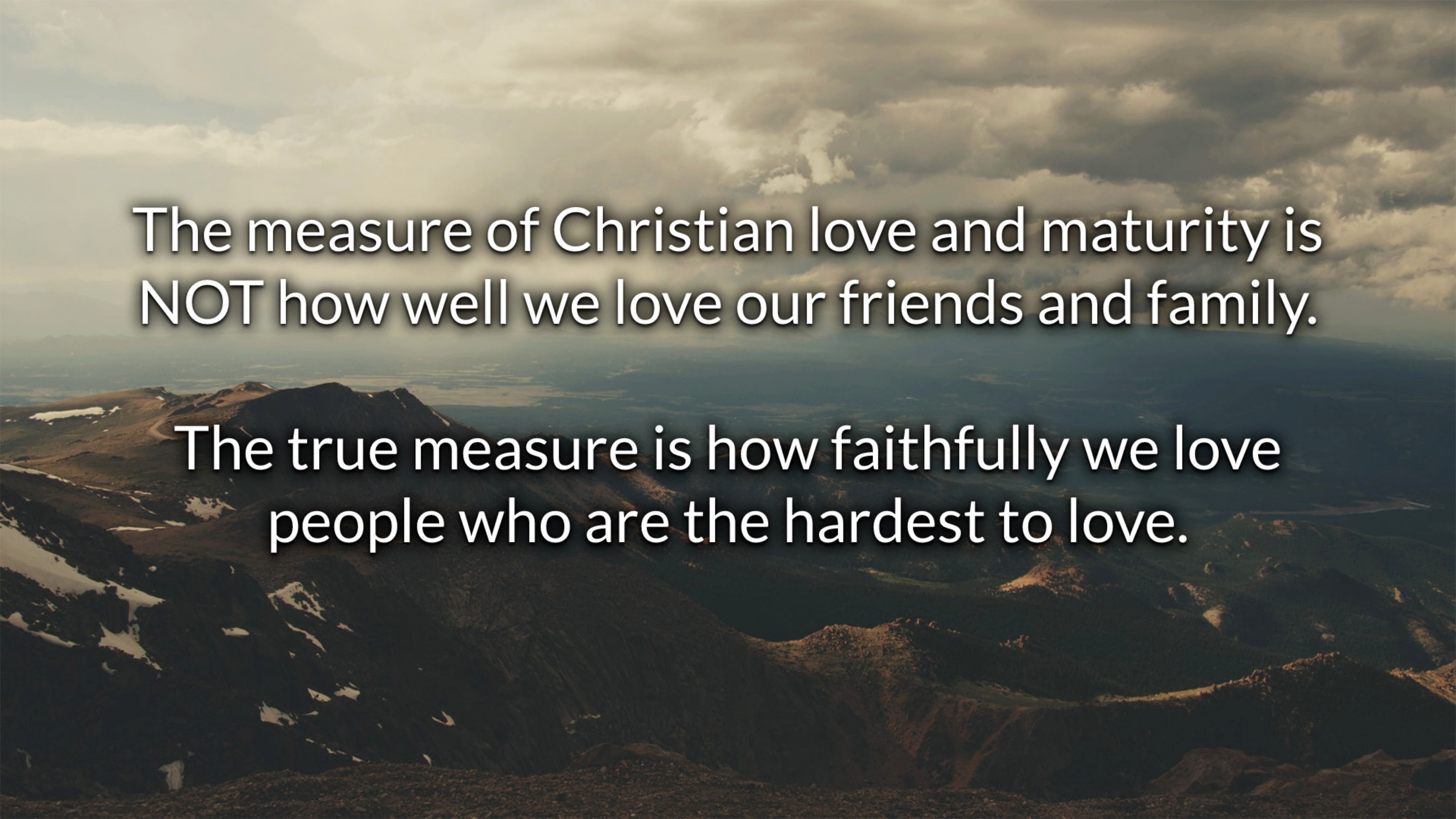
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The background of the image is a vast, high-altitude landscape. In the foreground, there are dark, rugged mountain peaks with patches of snow or light-colored rock. The middle ground shows a deep valley with more rolling hills and some snow. The background is a hazy, distant horizon under a sky filled with large, textured clouds in shades of grey and white. The overall tone is somber and majestic.

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Worthy of ev'ry song
We could ever sing

Worthy of all the praise
We could ever bring

Worthy of ev'ry breath
We could ever breathe

We live for You

Jesus the name
Above ev'ry other name

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And show me who You are
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