

COMMUNITY WITH OTHERS

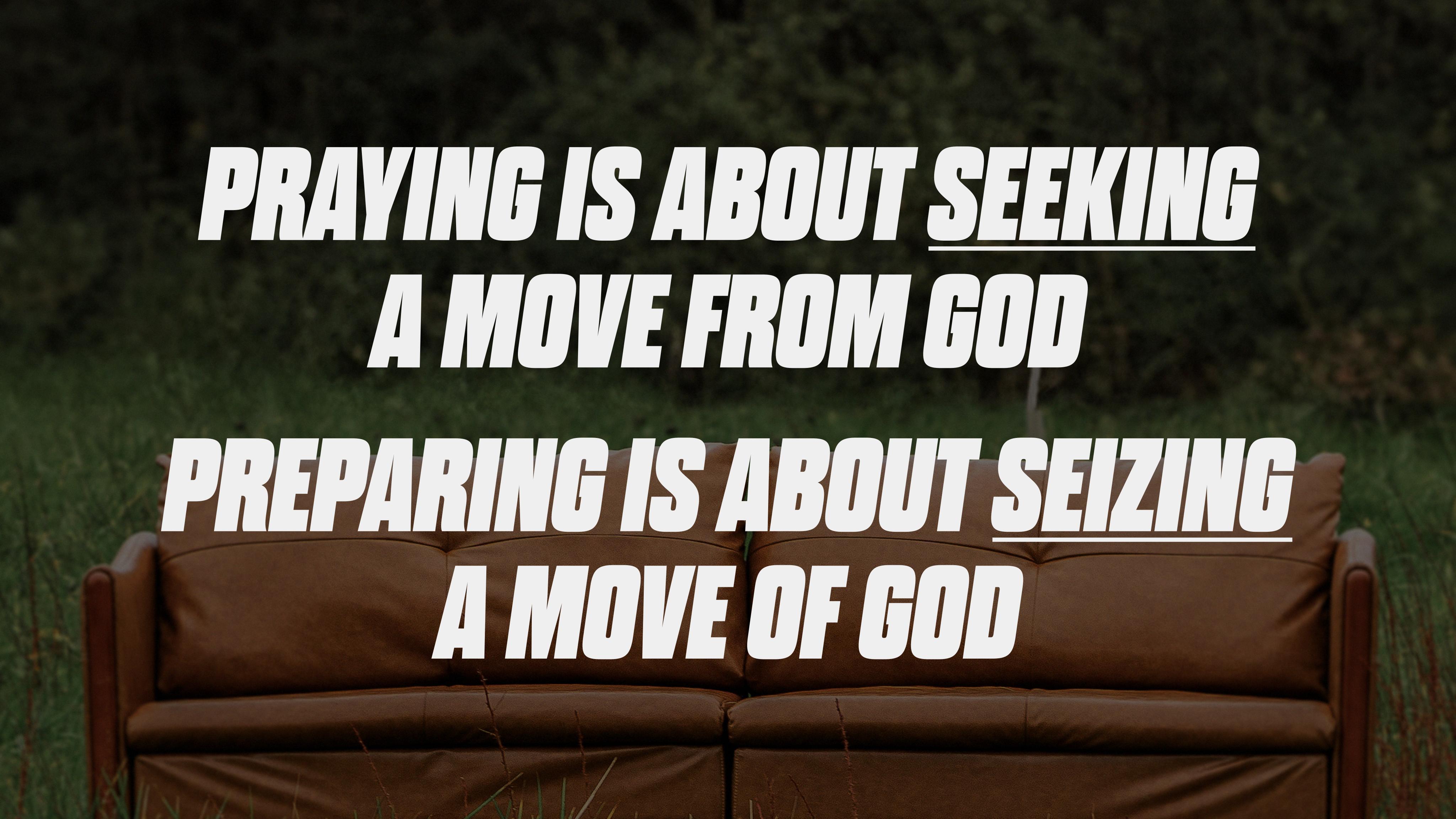


Lord, I have heard the report about you; Lord, I stand in awe of your deeds. Revive your work in these years; make it known in these years.

- Habakkuk 3:2 CSB









A Scared World needs a Fearless Church A Confused World needs a Clear Church A Divided World needs a United Church A Hurting World needs a Loving Church A Lonely World needs a Connecting Church A Deceived World needs a Discerning Church



Be ready! Let the truth be like a belt around your waist.

- Ephesians 6:14 CEV



Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction.

- 2 Timothy 4:2



...and as your shoes the readiness to announce the Good News of peace

- Ephesians 6:15 GNT





But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.





This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

- John 15:8





Competency (My Becoming)

Character (My Beholding)

Conviction (My Beliefs)

Core (My Being)



Community (My Belonging)

Calling (My Bearing)





Power of His Spirit Pressures of Life Practices of Jesus People of God Promises of the Word

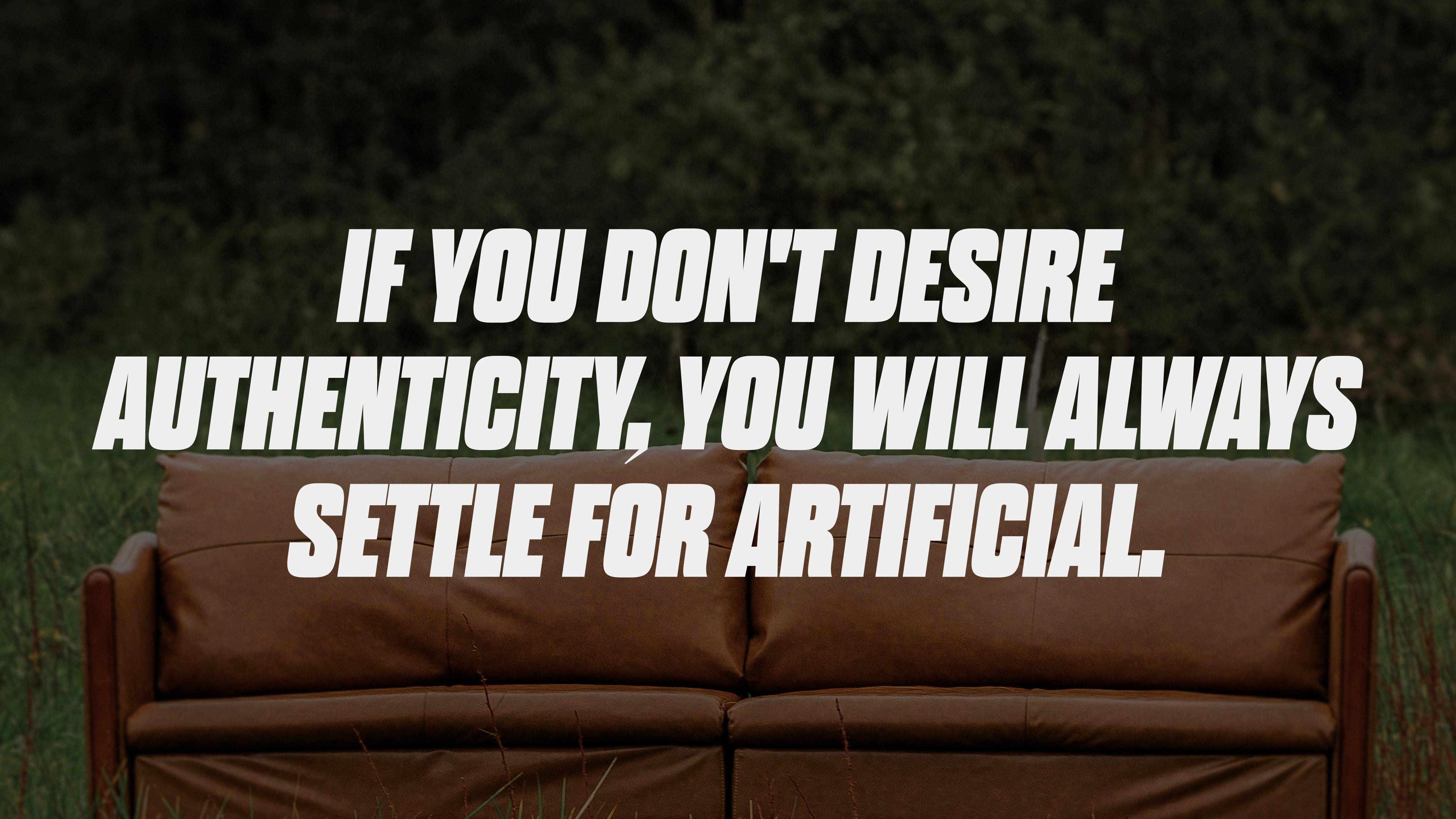


Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

Galatians 6:9-10







So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

- Colossians 2:6-7







"But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit."

- Jeremiah 17:7-8





Season of Darkness God seems distant, life is hard

Season of Discipline God seems closer, life is hard



Season of Darkness God seems distant, life is good

Season of Delight God seems closer, life is good













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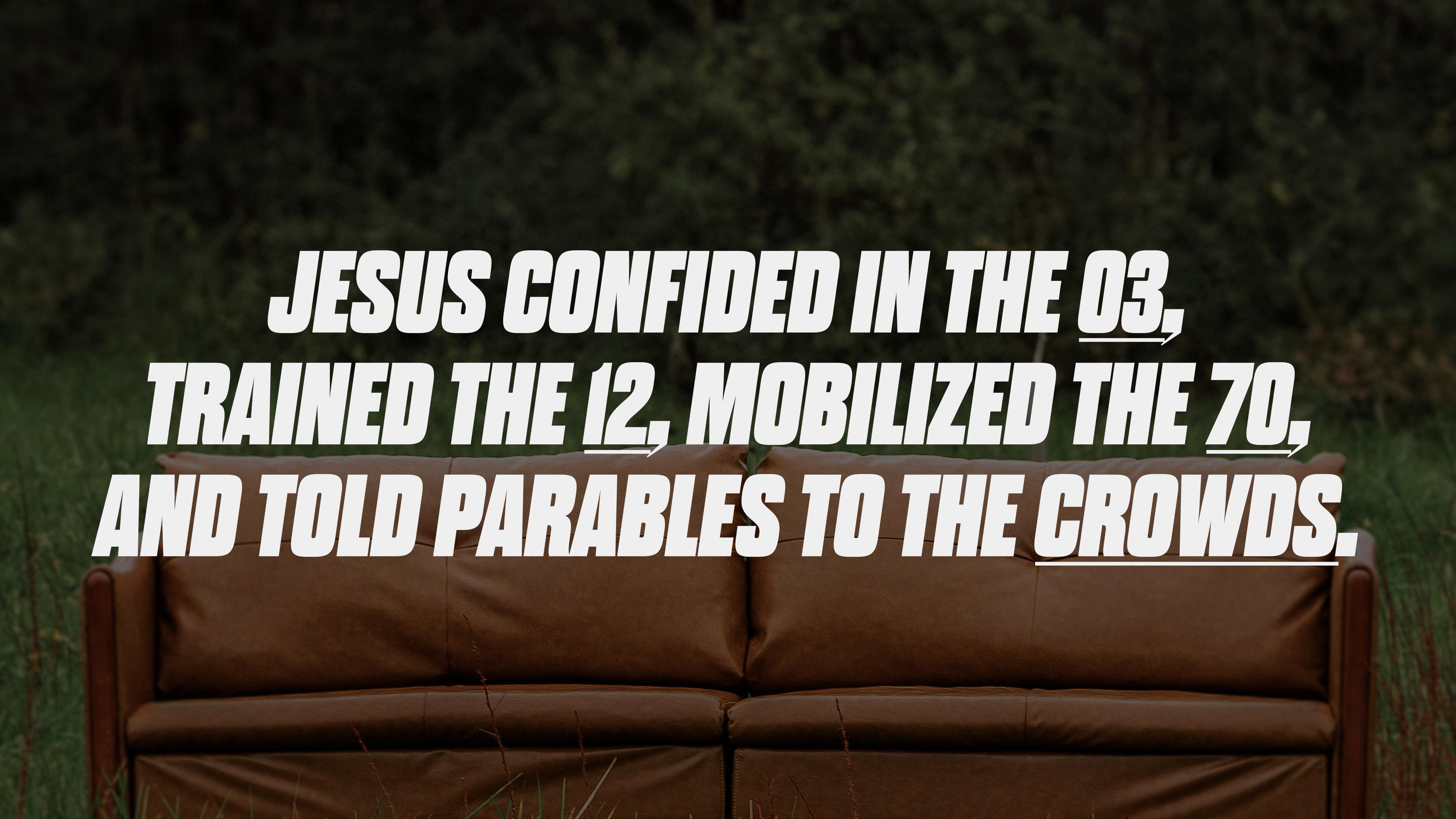
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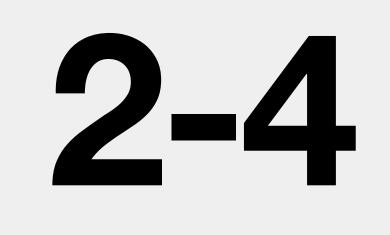
He took Peter and Zebedee's two sons with him. He was beginning to feel deep anguish. Then he said to them, "My anguish is so great that I feel as if I'm dying. Wait here, and stay awake with me."

— Matthew 26:37-38 GW





Intimate Space



Vulnerability

Personal Space

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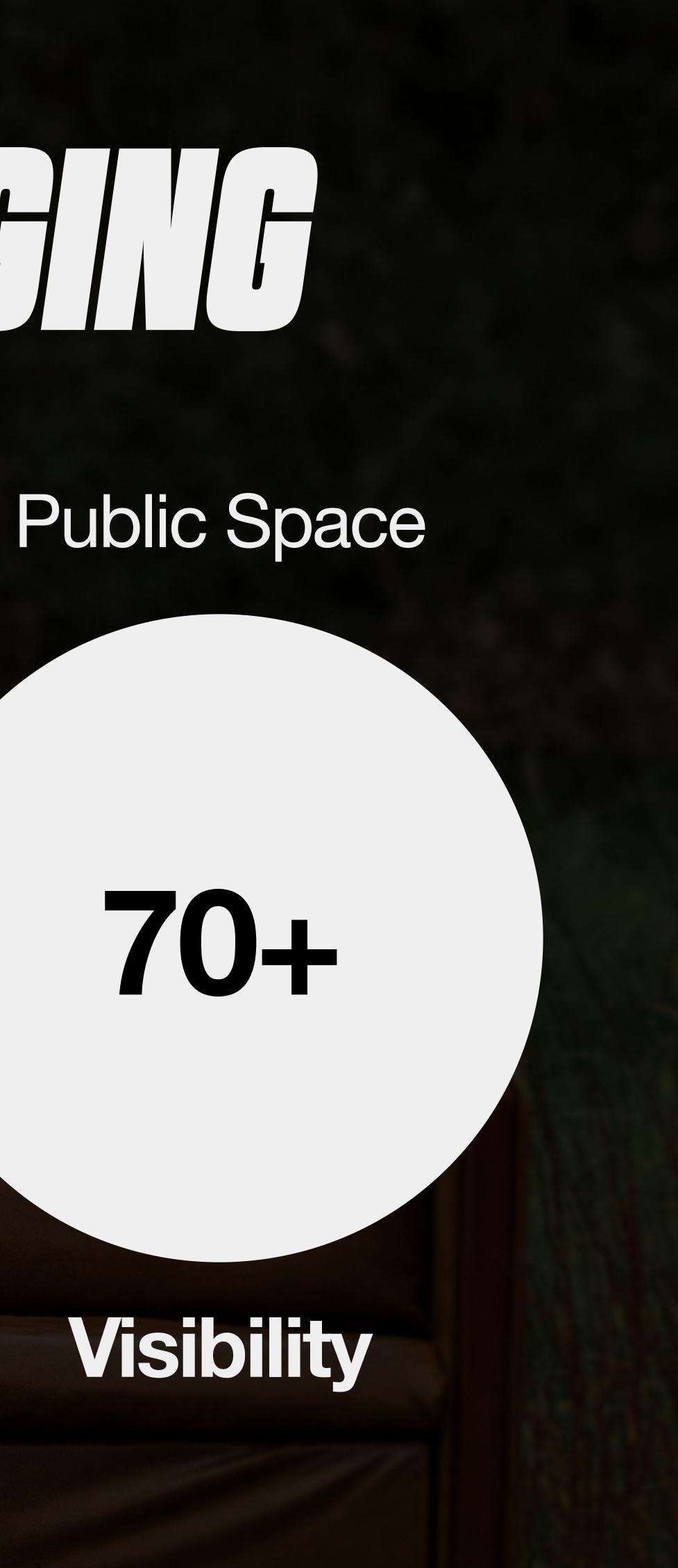
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Accountability



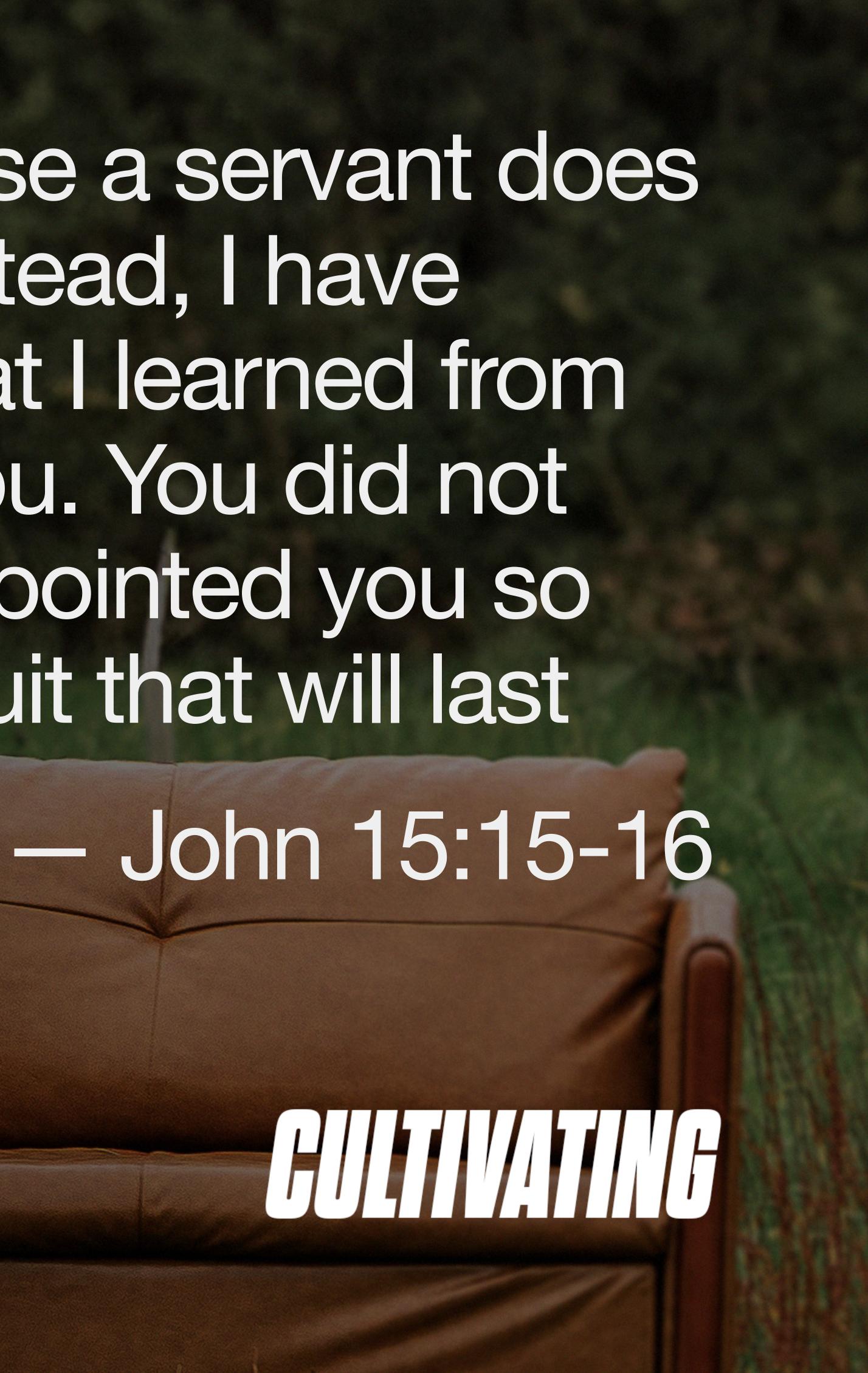


Availability





I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit — fruit that will last





And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

- Hebrews 11:6





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from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in

- Ephesians 4:16 NASB



So, being affectionately desirous of you, we were ready to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you had become very dear to us.

- 1 Thessalonians 2:8 ESV







Those who follow Jesus with caution but are openly seeking.





FORELET BUILDING Those who want what Jesus offer but also want what the world offers.





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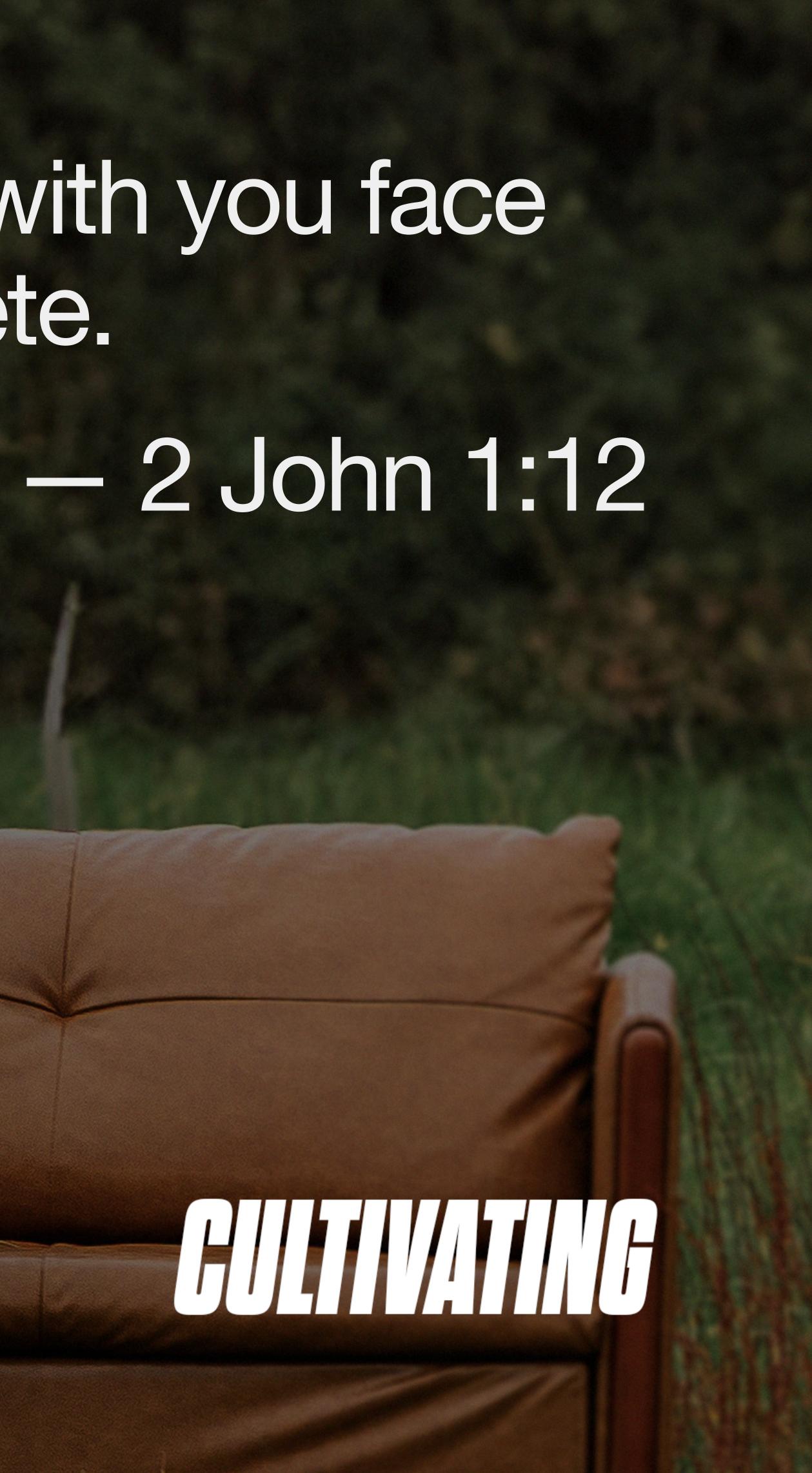




I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.



...Instead, I hope to visit you and talk with you face to face, so that our joy may be complete.



I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.



... fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the Cross.

- Hebrews 12:2







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DSEUSSION QUESTIONS

What areas of your spiritual formation are you desiring to grow in?
What gaps would you say are in your spiritual formation?
What helps us grow deep roots of trust in God?
What season of formation would you say you are in right now?
Of the categories of followers, which one best describes you?
Are you actively pursuing others to be in discipleship with?
How does getting into small groups help foster deeper discipleship?

