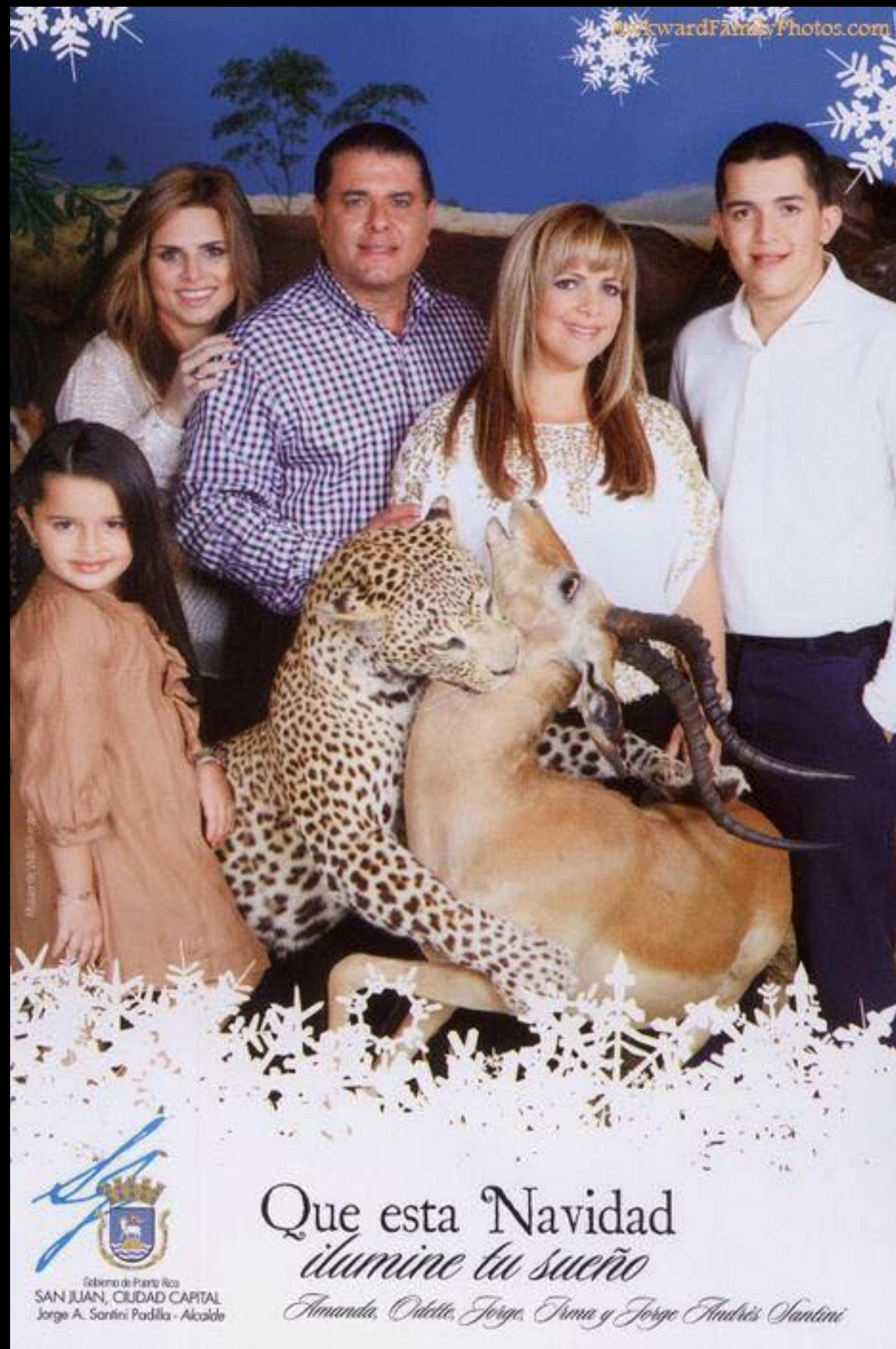


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FAMILY ON MISSION

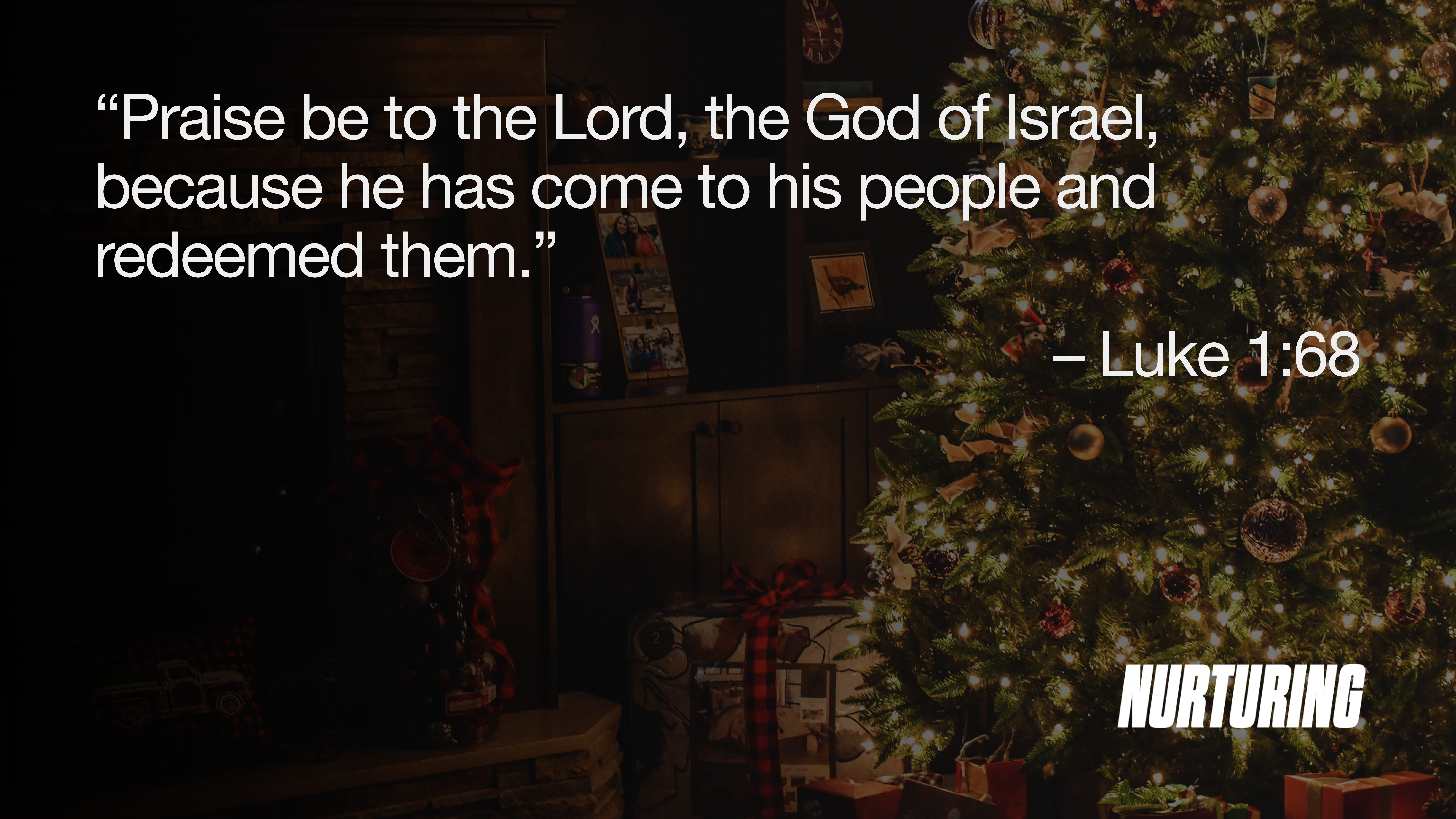








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“Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel,
because he has come to his people and
redeemed them.”

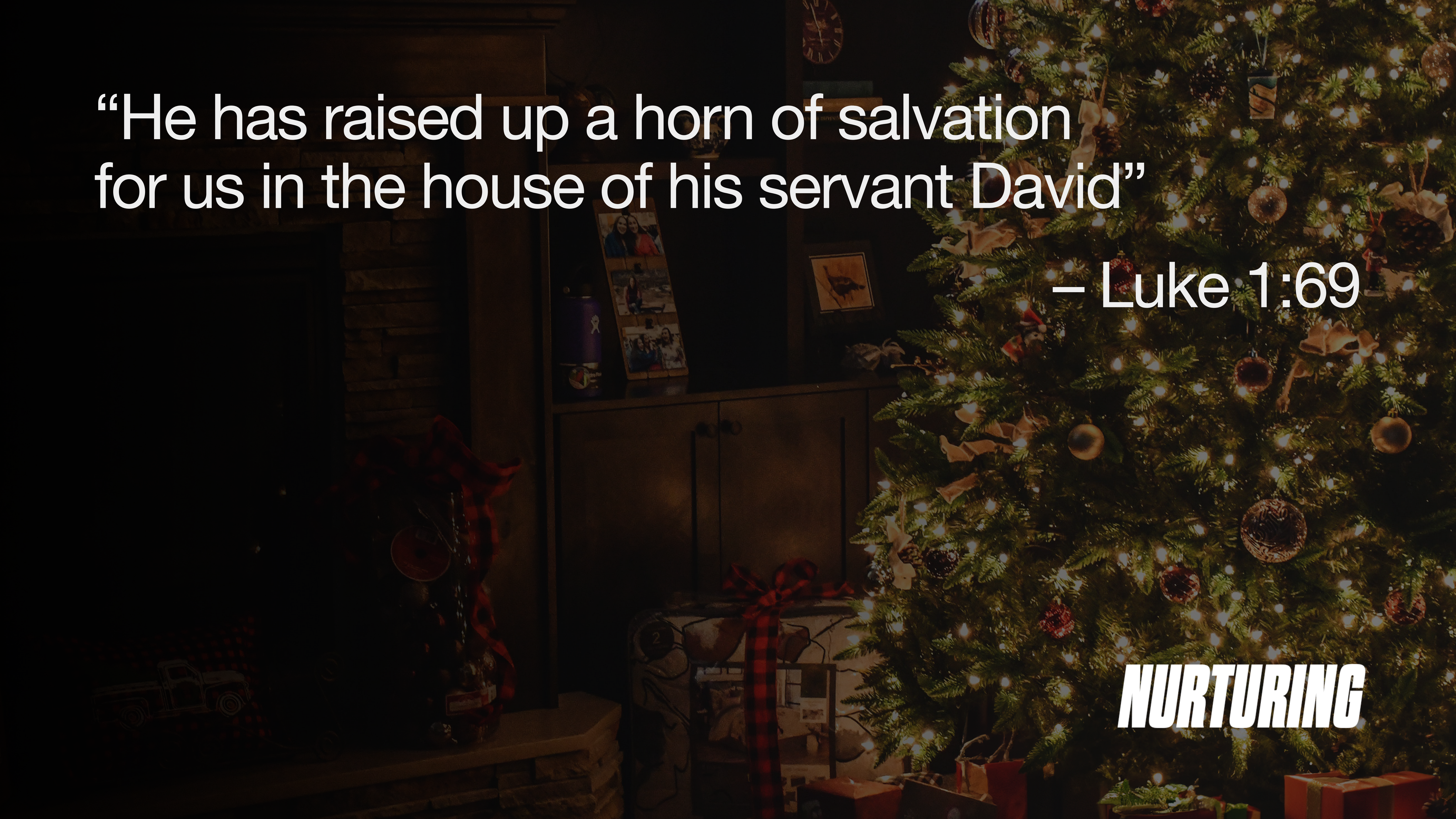
– Luke 1:68

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ADVENT

“Arrival of something expected.”

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“He has raised up a horn of salvation
for us in the house of his servant David”

– Luke 1:69

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HORN

“Power and Kingdom.”

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“He will give strength to his king and exalt the
horn of his anointed”

– 1 Samuel 2:10

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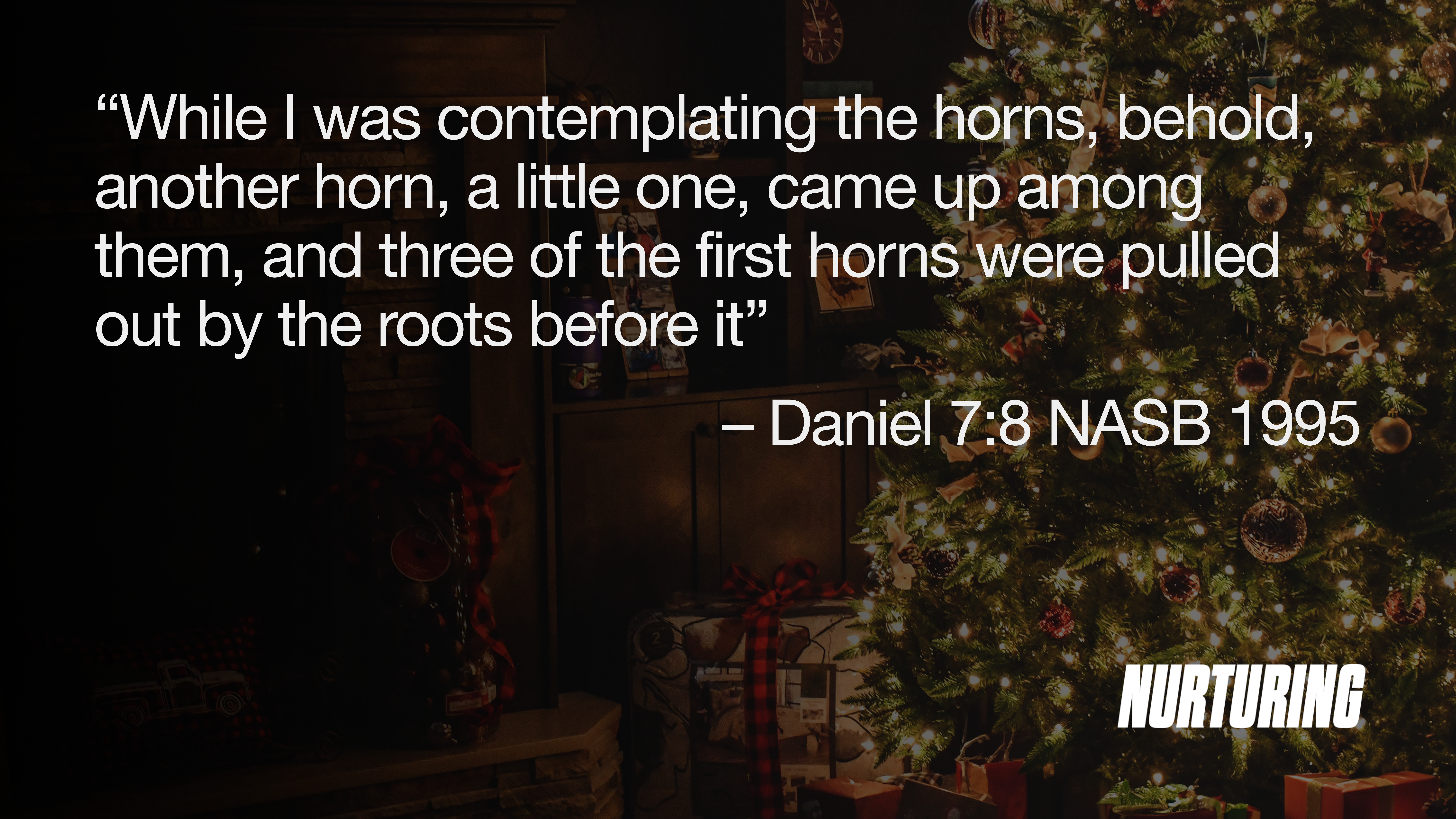
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Messiah or Christ

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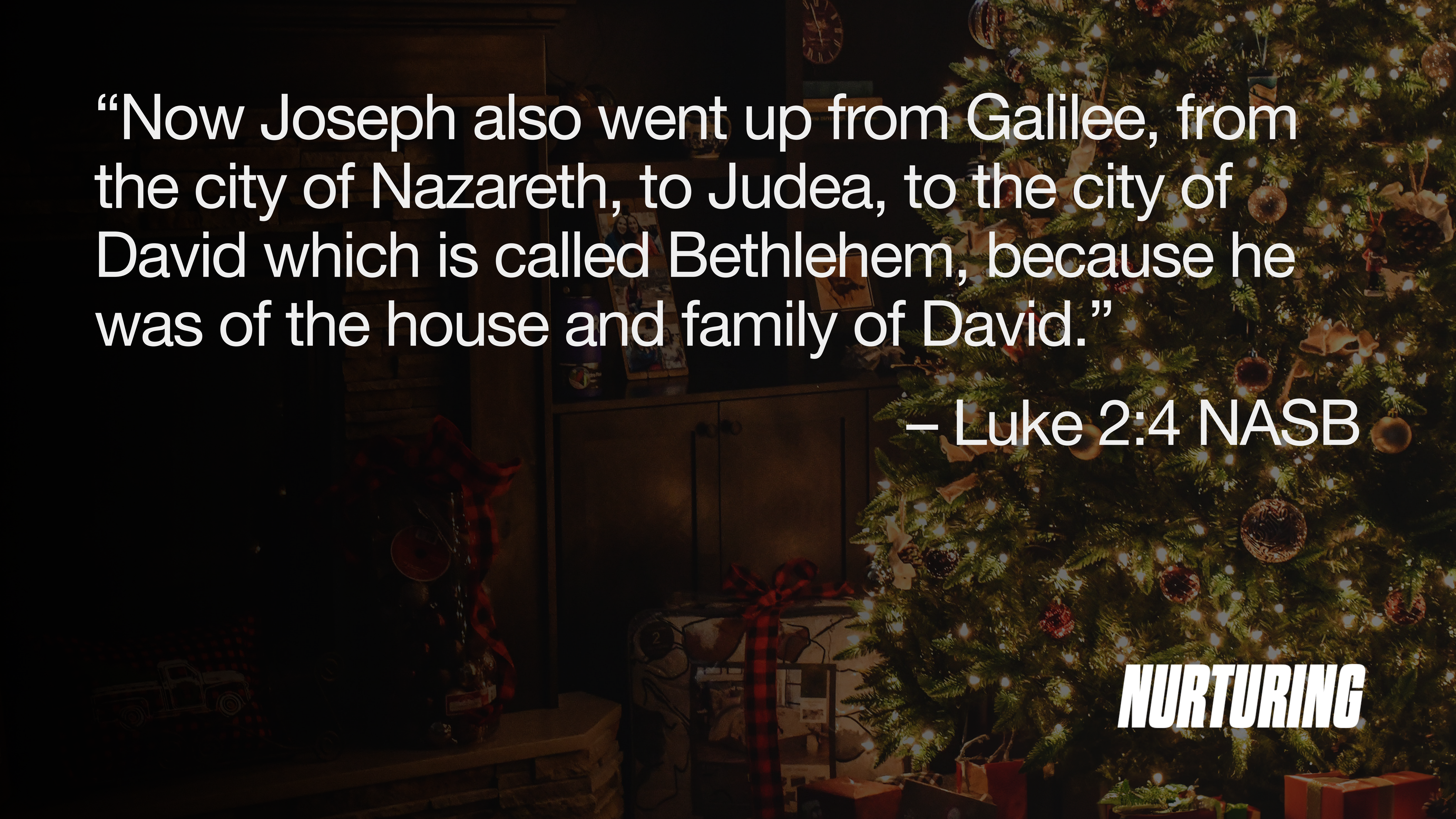
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“While I was contemplating the horns, behold, another horn, a little one, came up among them, and three of the first horns were pulled out by the roots before it”

– Daniel 7:8 NASB 1995

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A photograph of a Christmas tree in a living room. The tree is decorated with warm white lights, gold and silver ornaments, and white garlands. A large gift box wrapped in white paper with a red and black plaid ribbon sits in front of the tree. The background shows a wooden cabinet and a fireplace mantel with a red ribbon. The overall lighting is warm and festive.

“Now Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David.”

– Luke 2:4 NASB

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“Why were you searching for me?” he asked.

“Didn’t you know I had to be in my Father’s house?” But they did not understand what he was saying to them.

– Luke 2:49-50

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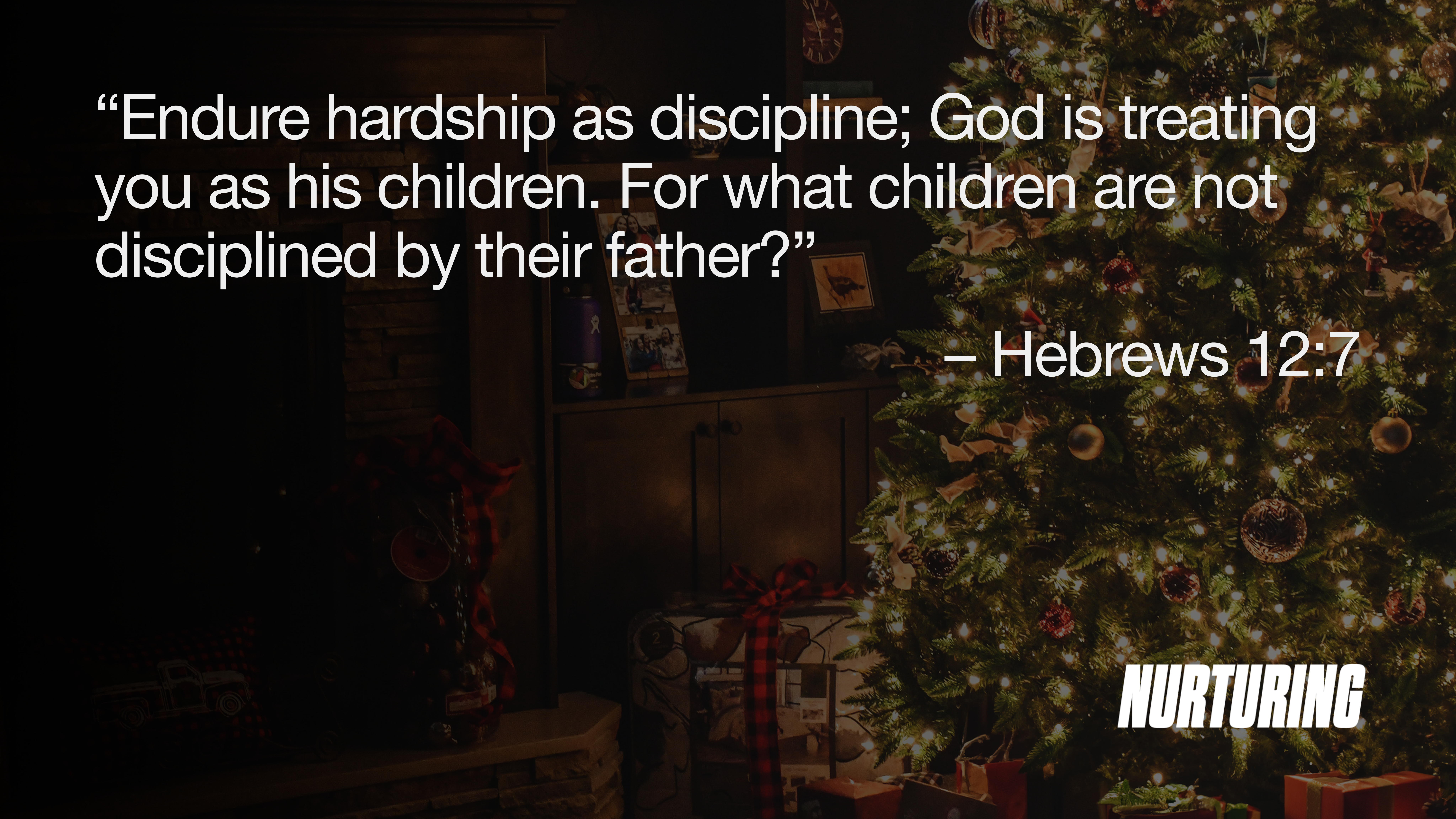


***TO UNDERSTAND GOD'S NATURE, GOD'S
GOSPEL, AND GOD'S CHURCH, WE FIRST
NEED TO UNDERSTAND FAMILY.***

“But in case I am delayed, I write so that you will know how one should act in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and support of the truth.”

– 1 Timothy 3:15 NASB

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“Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as his children. For what children are not disciplined by their father?”

– Hebrews 12:7

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HOUSEHOLD

oikos oy'-kos

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ECONOMY = OIKONOMOS

OIKO = HOUSE

NOMOS = VALUES

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***TO BE A FAMILY ON
MISSION IS TO LIVE
UNDER OIKONOMICS***

***OIKONOMICS IS THE
ECONOMY OF OUR OIKOS.***

***IT'S HOW WE DO
EVERYDAY DISCIPLESHIP.***

ECOLOGY (OKOLOGIE)

*Relationships among living organisms
and their physical environment.*

NURTURING

NURTURING

*To supply with nourishment.
The sum of the environmental factors
influencing the behavior and traits
expressed by an organism.*

(marriam-webster.com)

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***NATURE IS ALL THAT A PERSON BRINGS
WITH THEMSELF INTO THE WORLD.***

***NURTURE IS EVERY INFLUENCE FROM WITHOUT
THAT AFFECTS THEM AFTER THEIR BIRTH.***

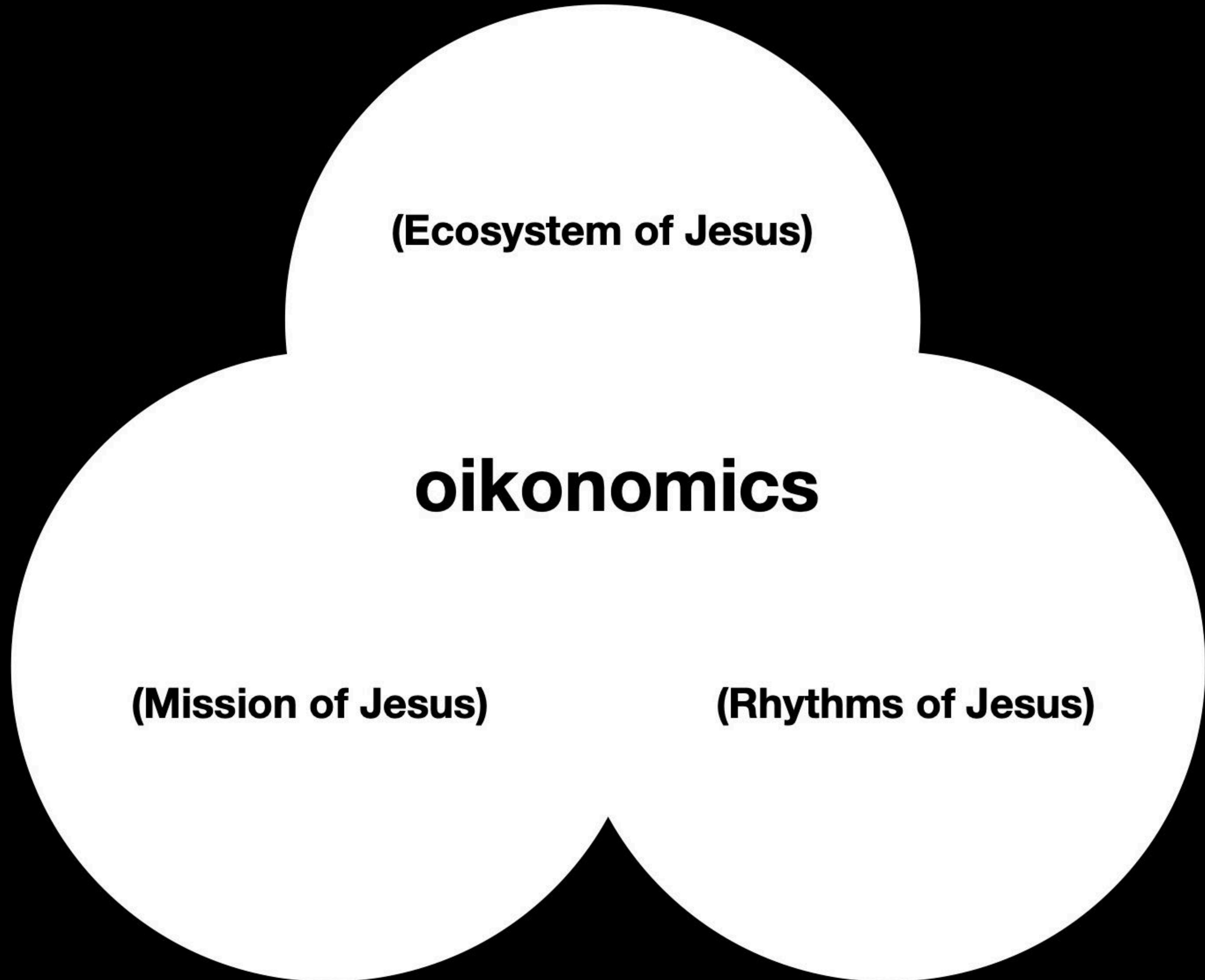


***A CHURCHLESS CHRISTIAN
IS IN SOME SENSE
A SPIRITUAL ORPHAN***



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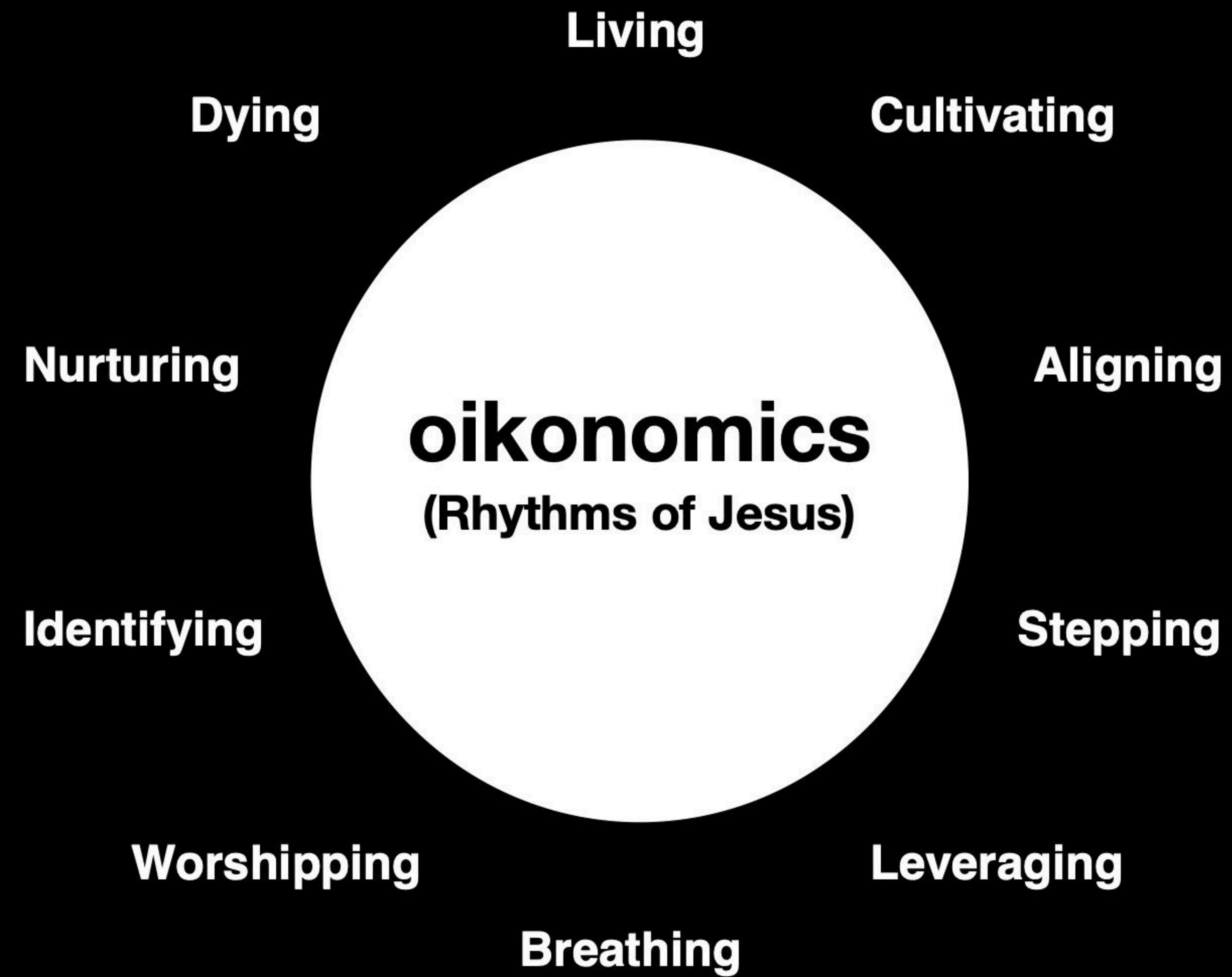
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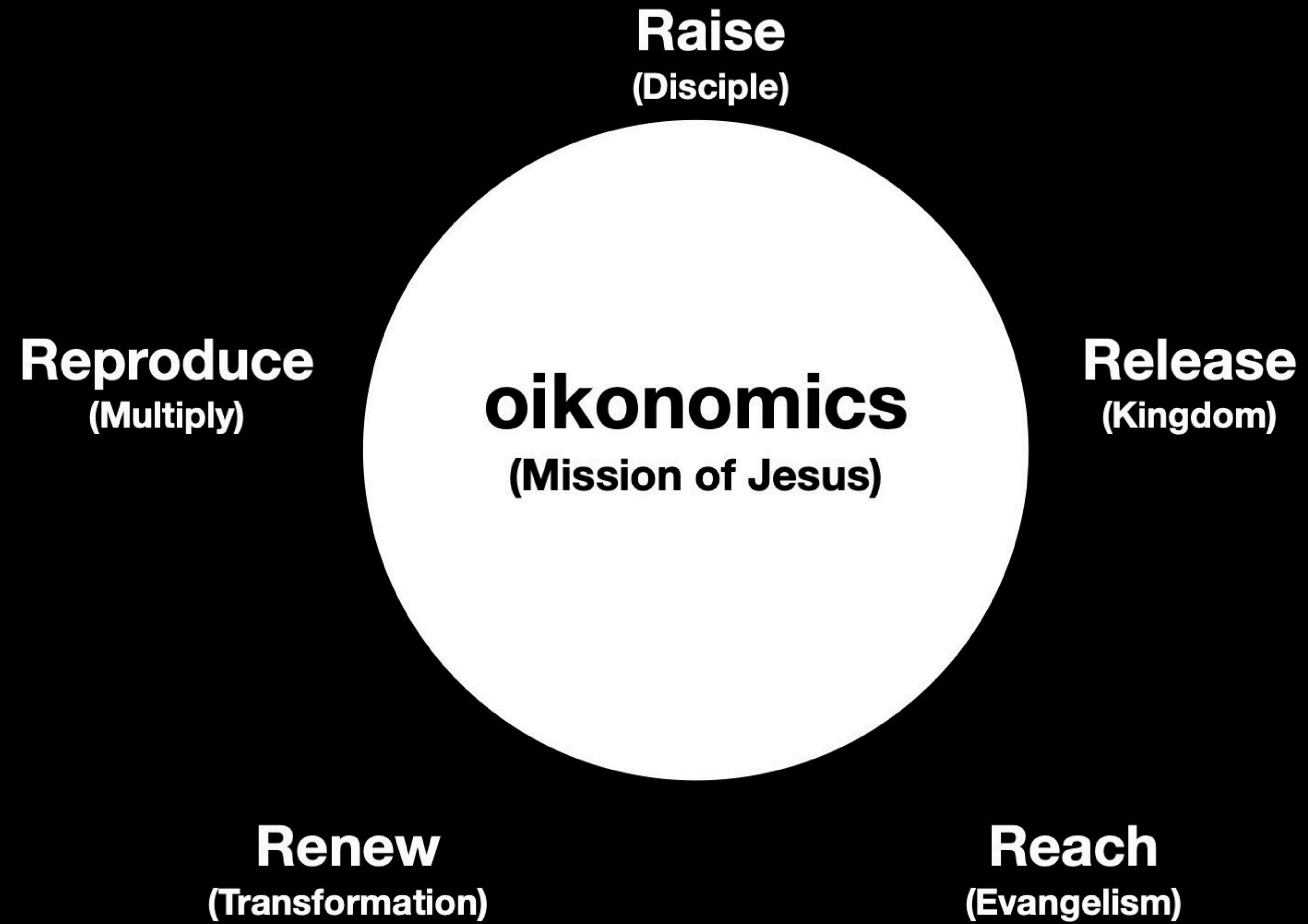
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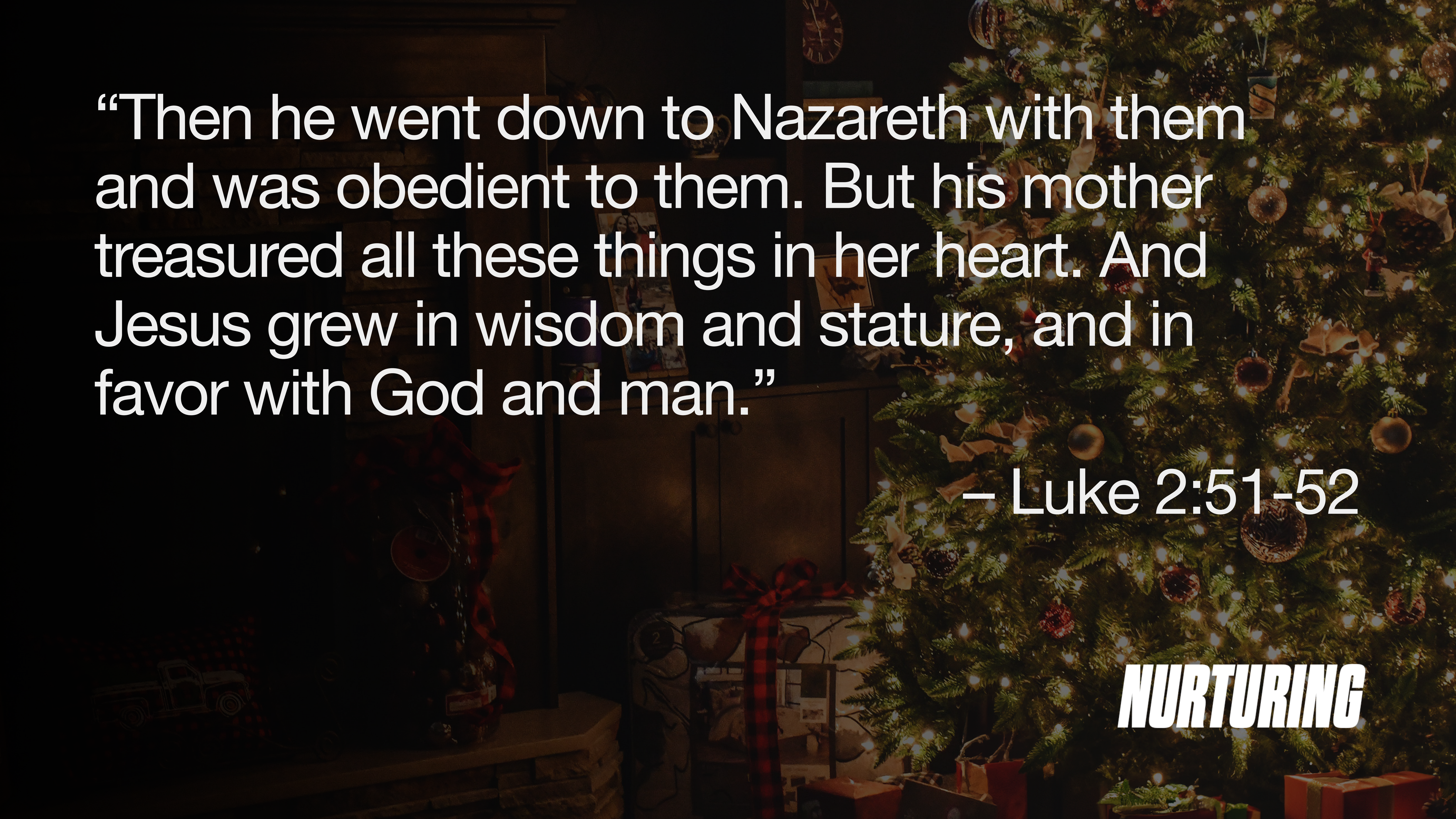


What makes a family on mission?





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A Christmas tree decorated with lights and ornaments, with a gift box visible in the foreground.

“Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.”

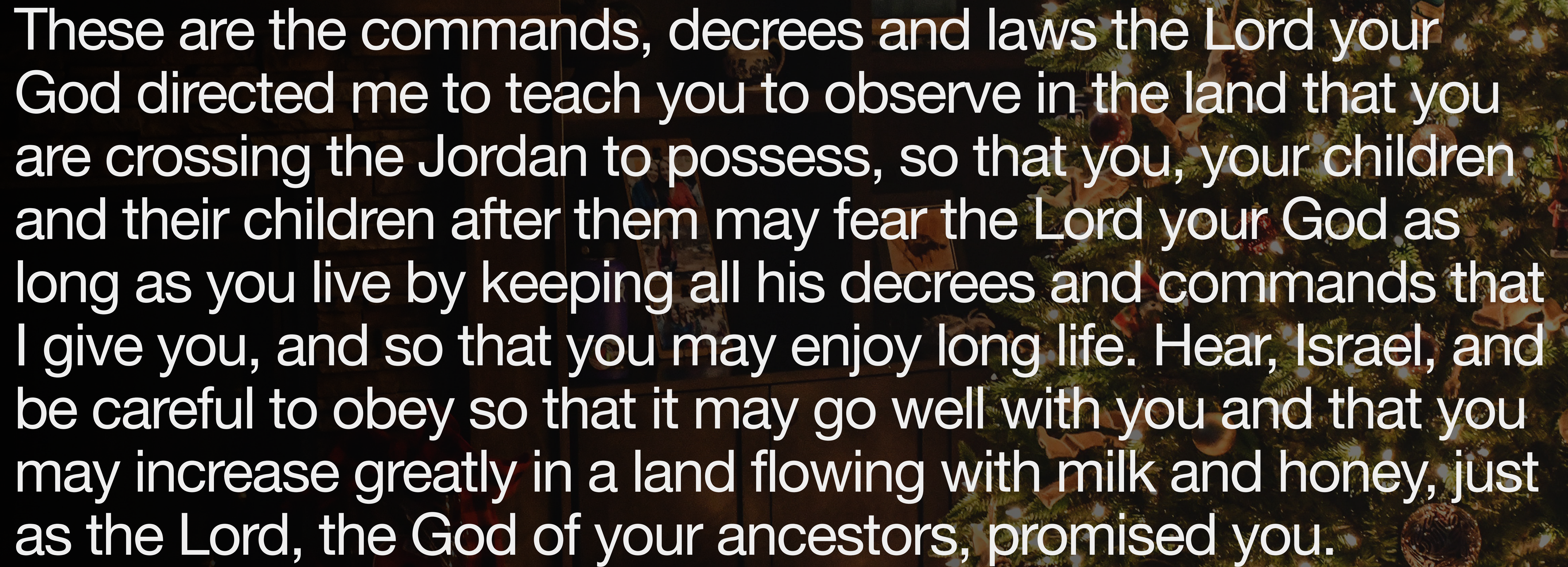
– Luke 2:51-52

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PROKOPTO

*The idea then is strenuous activity
rather than passive development.*

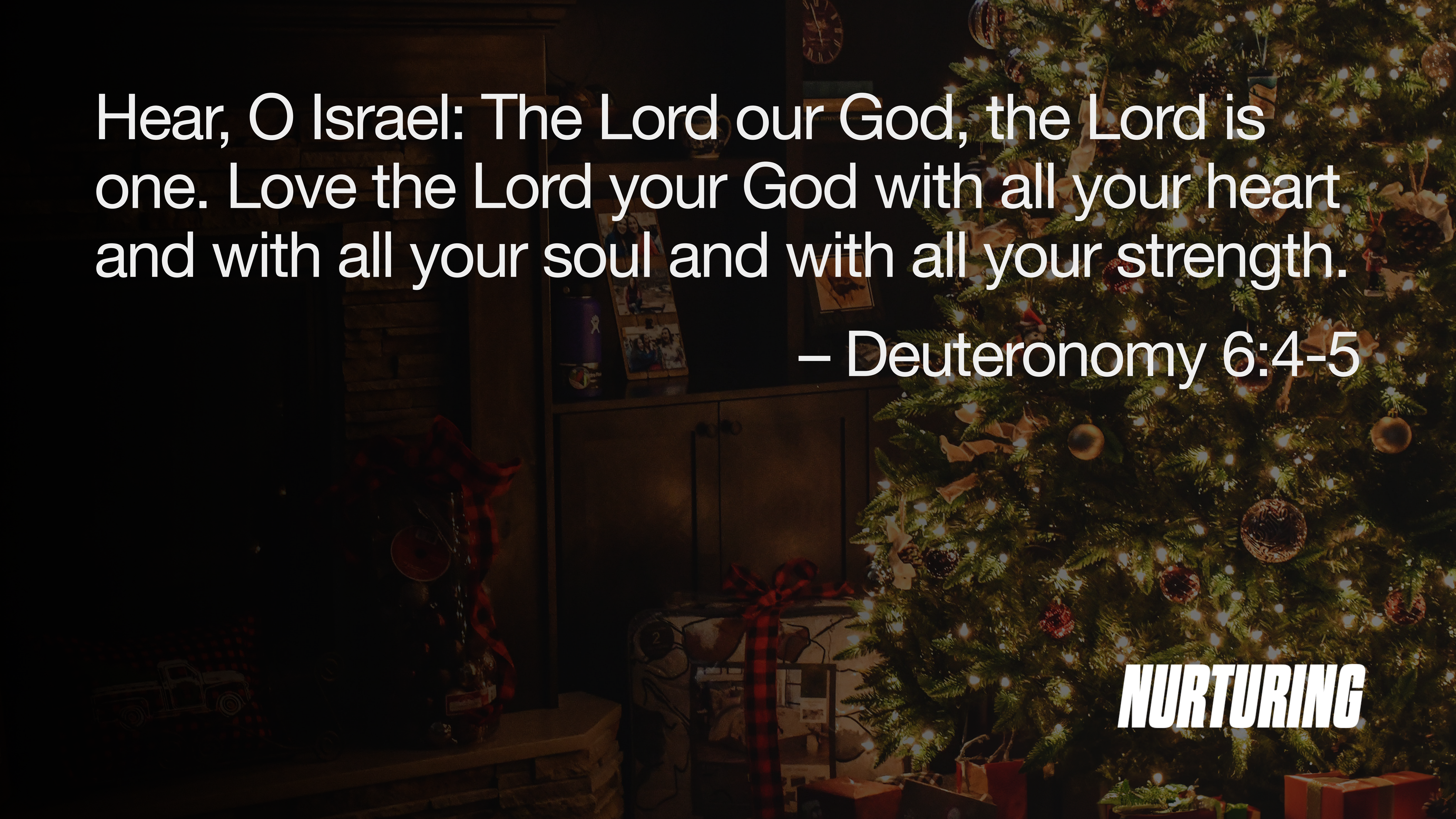
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These are the commands, decrees and laws the Lord your God directed me to teach you to observe in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to possess, so that you, your children and their children after them may fear the Lord your God as long as you live by keeping all his decrees and commands that I give you, and so that you may enjoy long life. Hear, Israel, and be careful to obey so that it may go well with you and that you may increase greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, just as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, promised you.

– Deuteronomy 6:1-3

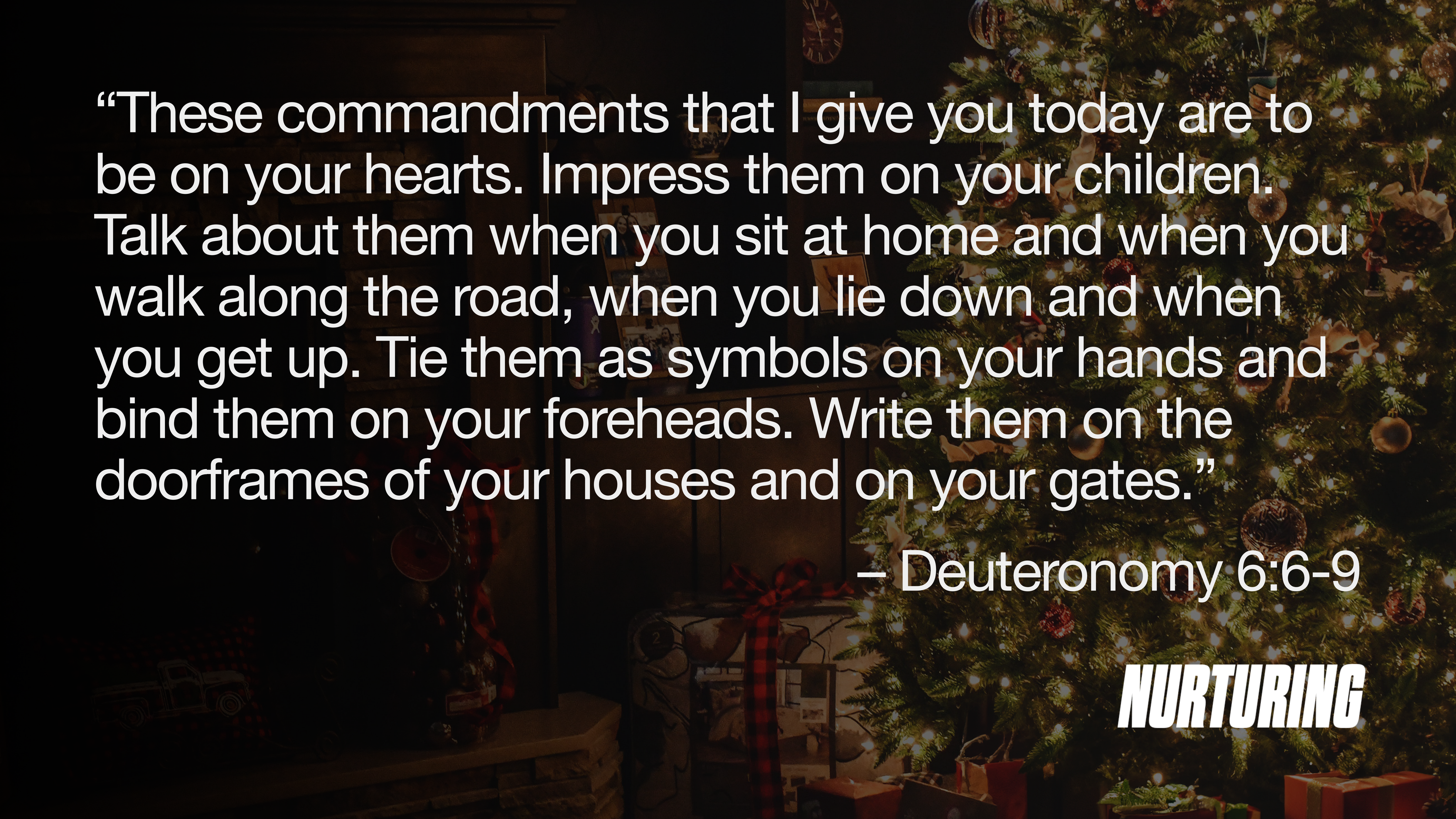
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Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.

– Deuteronomy 6:4-5

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“These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.”

– Deuteronomy 6:6-9

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SHEMA = TO HEAR





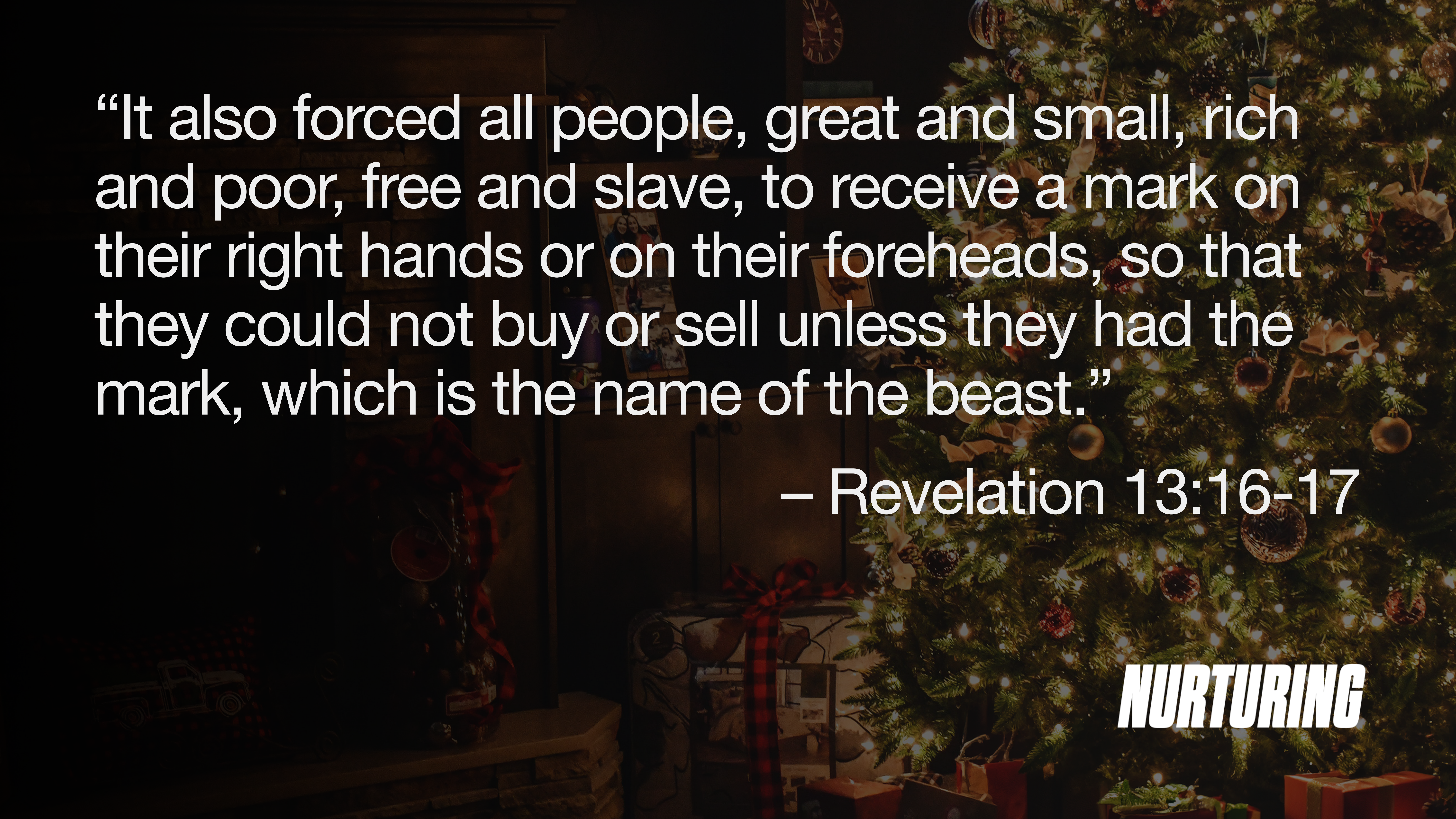


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***HEAD = LOYALTY AND
ALLEGIANCE***

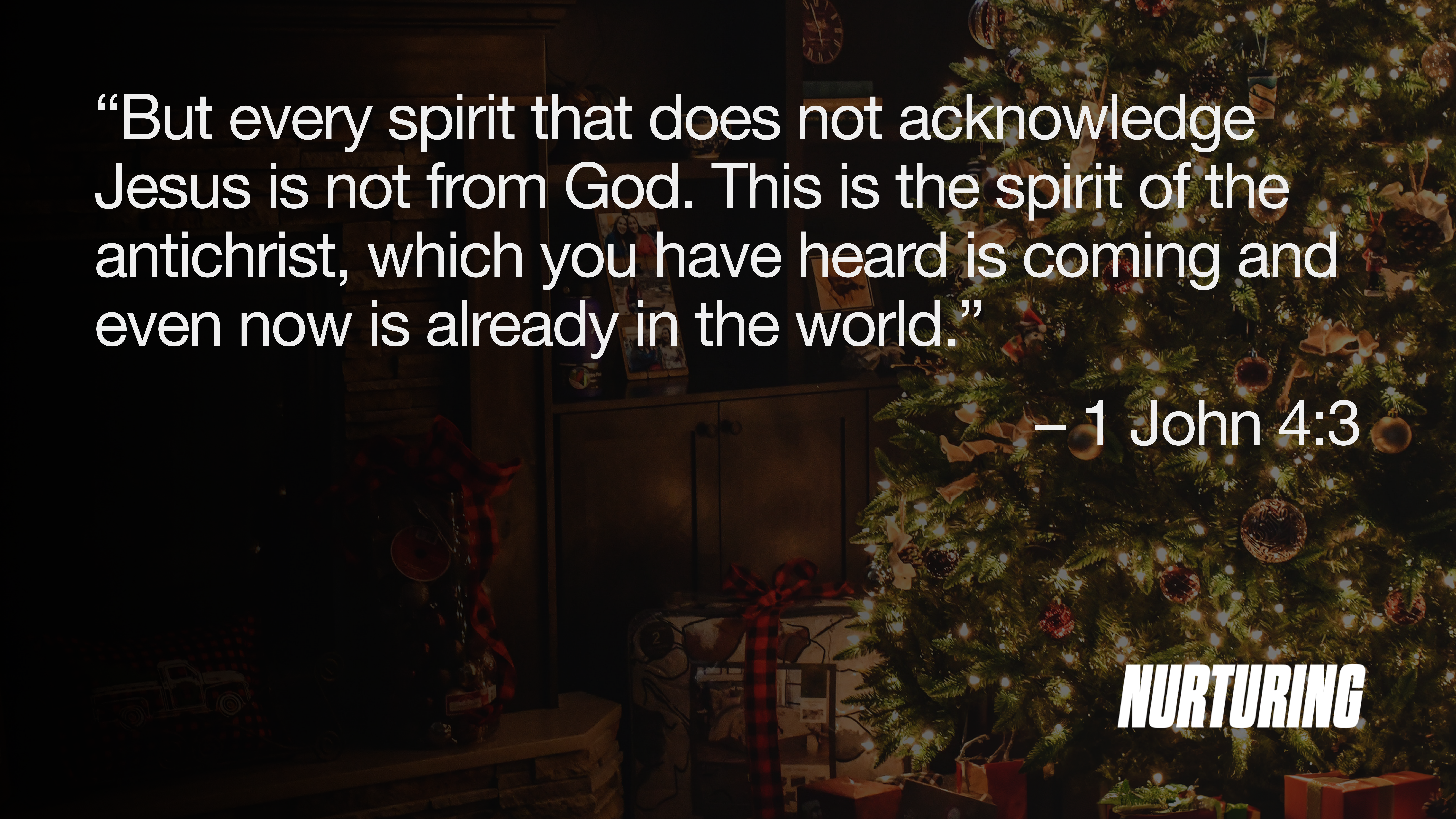
***HANDS = PURPOSE AND
MISSION***



“It also forced all people, great and small, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hands or on their foreheads, so that they could not buy or sell unless they had the mark, which is the name of the beast.”

– Revelation 13:16-17

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A Christmas tree decorated with lights and ornaments, with a gift box in the foreground.

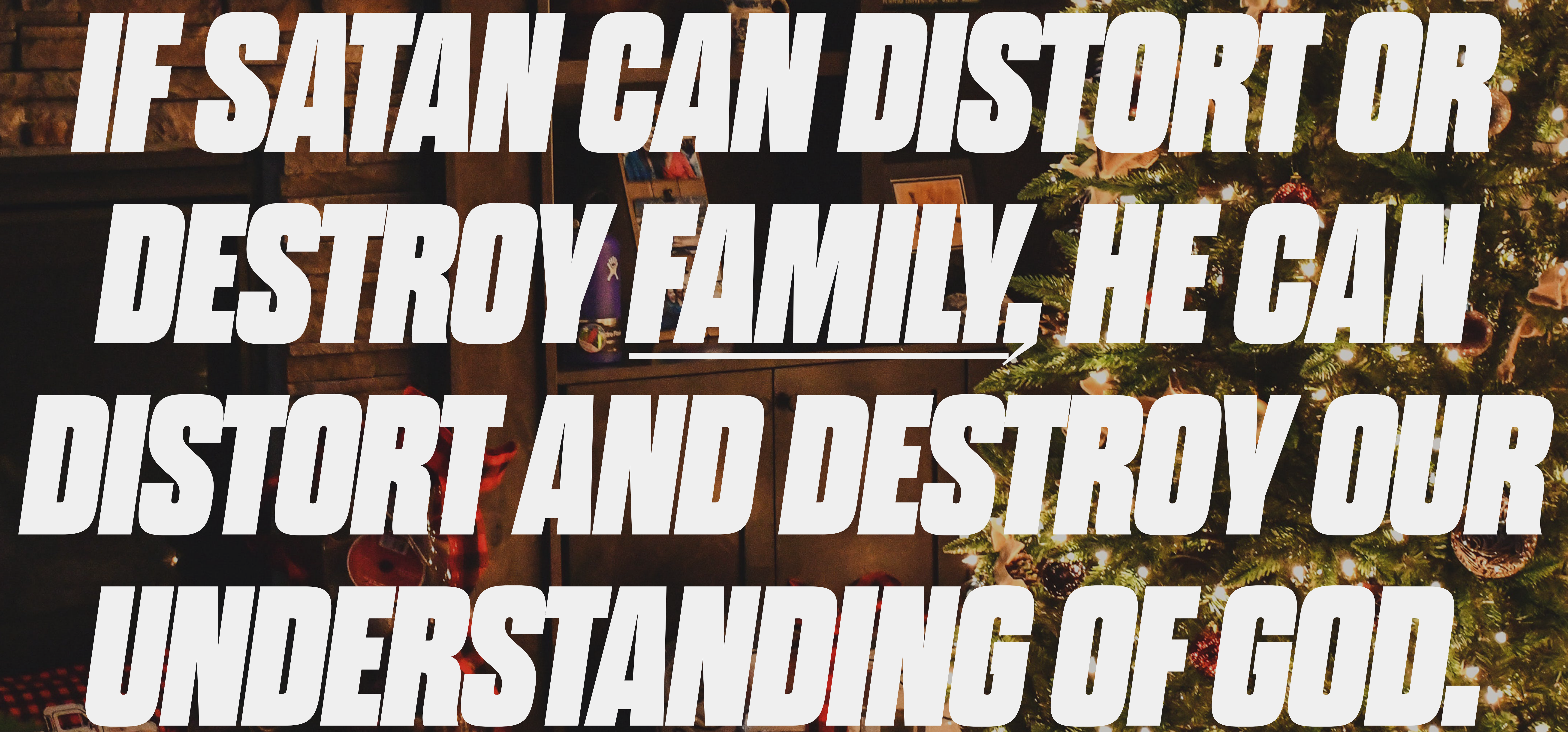
“But every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming and even now is already in the world.”

– 1 John 4:3

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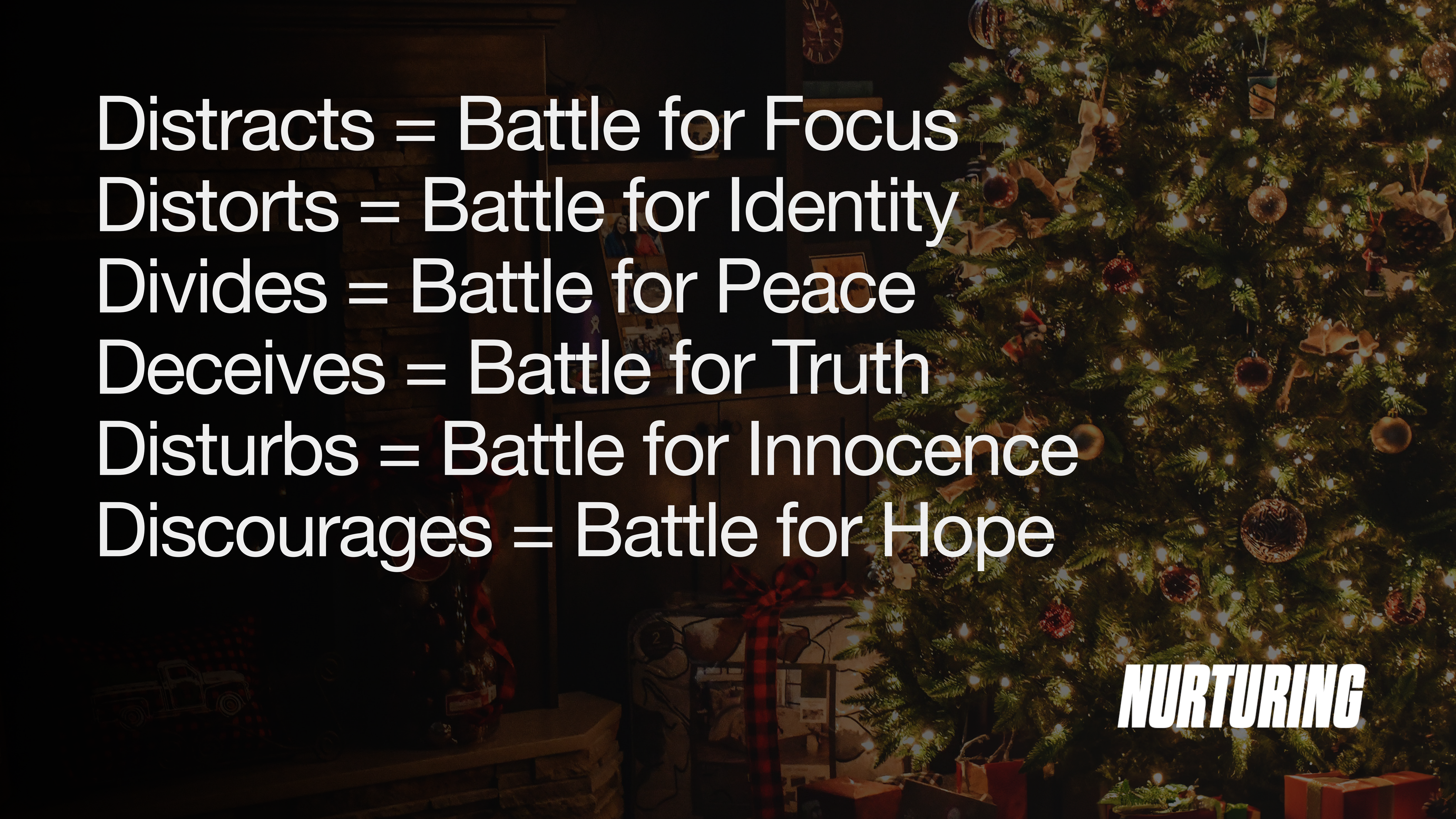
***WHY THERE IS AN
ATTACK ON FAMILY?***

A photograph of a living room decorated for Christmas. A large, green Christmas tree is the central focus, adorned with warm white lights, gold and silver ornaments, and white garlands. The tree is set against a dark wood-paneled wall. To the left, a stone fireplace mantel is visible, decorated with a red and black plaid cloth and a small wooden toy truck. Several wrapped gifts in red and gold paper are placed at the base of the tree. The overall atmosphere is cozy and festive.

***IF SATAN CAN DISTORT OR
DESTROY FAMILY. HE CAN
DISTORT AND DESTROY OUR
UNDERSTANDING OF GOD.***

***"IF YOU PIERCE THE
FAMILY, YOU PIERCE
ITS SOCIETY"***

***DESTRUCTIVE WEAPONS
OF THE ENEMY***

A festive Christmas scene featuring a large, decorated tree on the right with warm white lights and various ornaments. In the foreground, a fireplace mantel is visible with a wrapped gift box tied with a red ribbon. The background shows a wooden wall with a clock and framed photos.

Distracts = Battle for Focus
Distorts = Battle for Identity
Divides = Battle for Peace
Deceives = Battle for Truth
Disturbs = Battle for Innocence
Discourages = Battle for Hope

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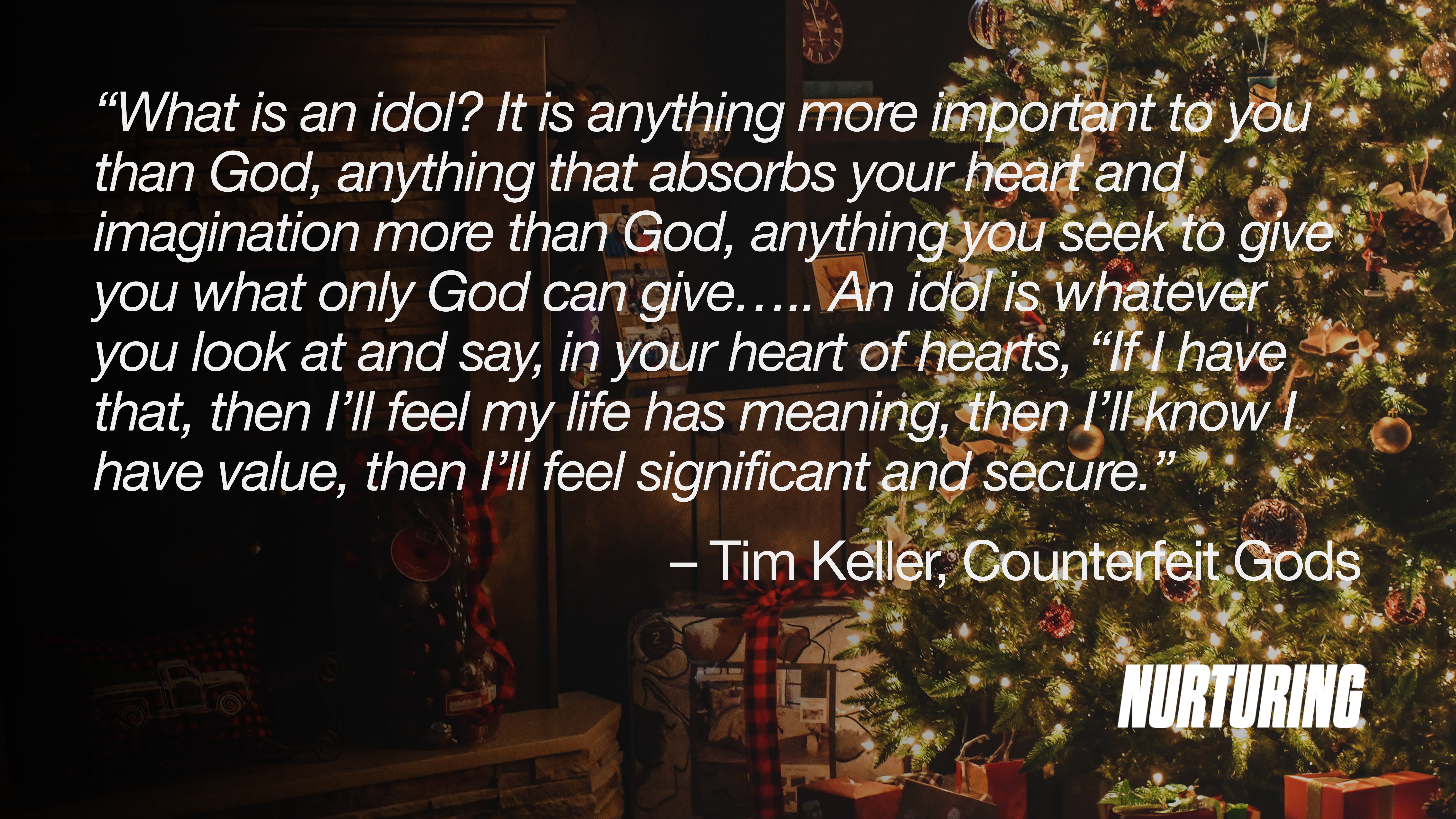


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***DOES OUR FAMILY
REPRESENT THE
VALUES OF THE SPIRIT
OF CHRIST OR THE
SPIRIT OF ANTICHRIST?***

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“What is an idol? It is anything more important to you than God, anything that absorbs your heart and imagination more than God, anything you seek to give you what only God can give..... An idol is whatever you look at and say, in your heart of hearts, “If I have that, then I’ll feel my life has meaning, then I’ll know I have value, then I’ll feel significant and secure.”

– Tim Keller, *Counterfeit Gods*

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***JUST TAKE OUT THE KEY WORDS TO
THAT DEFINITION AND FILL IN THE
BLANK WITH:***

_____ absorbs my heart and imagination
_____ gives my life meaning
_____ gives me value
_____ makes me feel significant

NURTURING

***JOSEPH HEARD A BABY CRY...
EVIL HEARD A LION ROAR.***

***MARY PONDERED...
EVIL TREMBLED.***

A living room decorated for Christmas. A large, lit Christmas tree with warm white lights and various ornaments stands on the right. In the center, a fireplace with a stone surround is visible, with a red and black plaid scarf hanging on the mantel. To the left, a red and black plaid pillow with a truck design is on a surface. In the foreground, several wrapped gifts are visible. The overall atmosphere is warm and festive.

***SATAN USES A STRATEGY
OF POPULARIZE, SANITIZE,
NORMALIZE, THEN WEAPONIZE.***



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