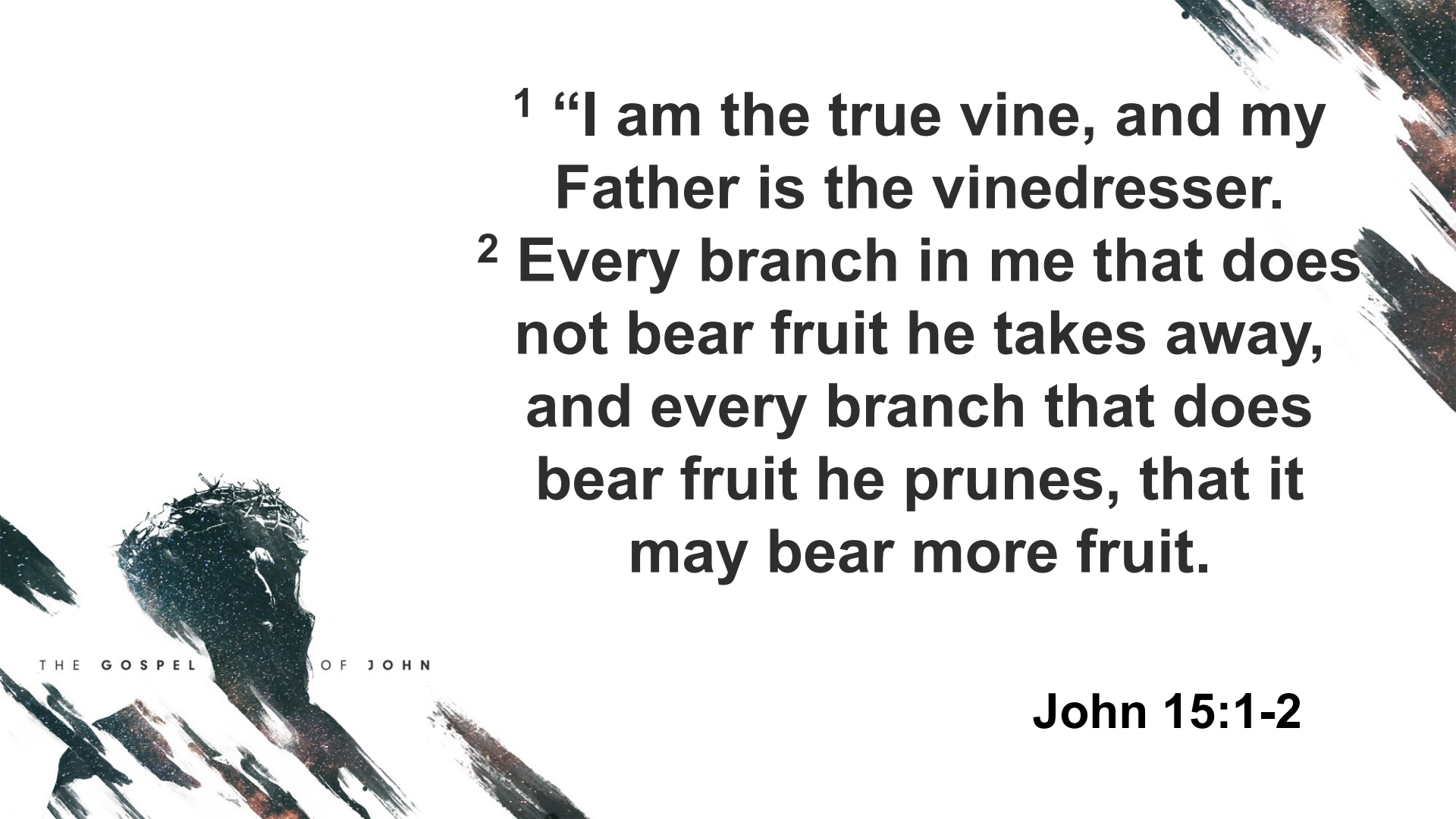
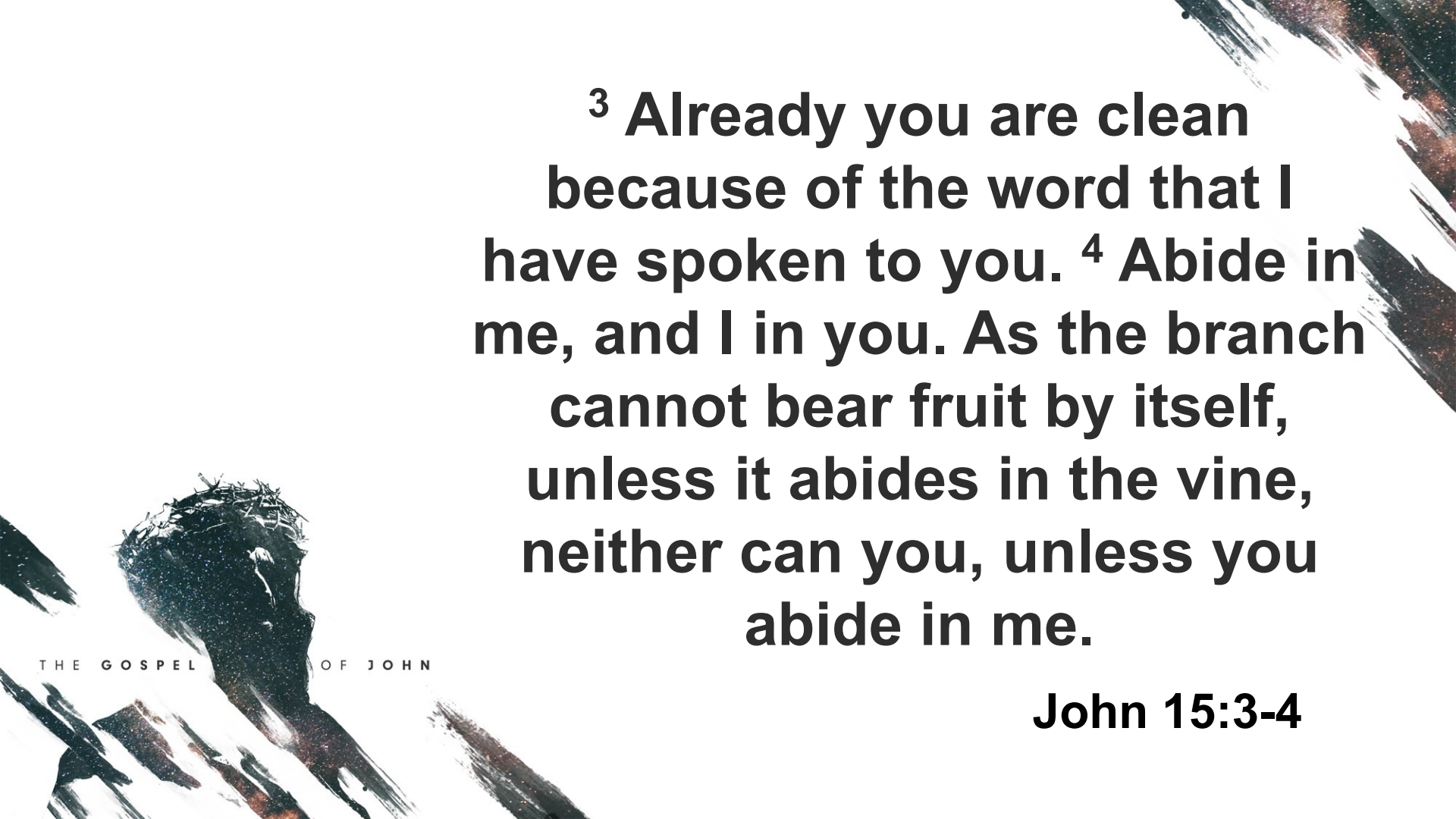




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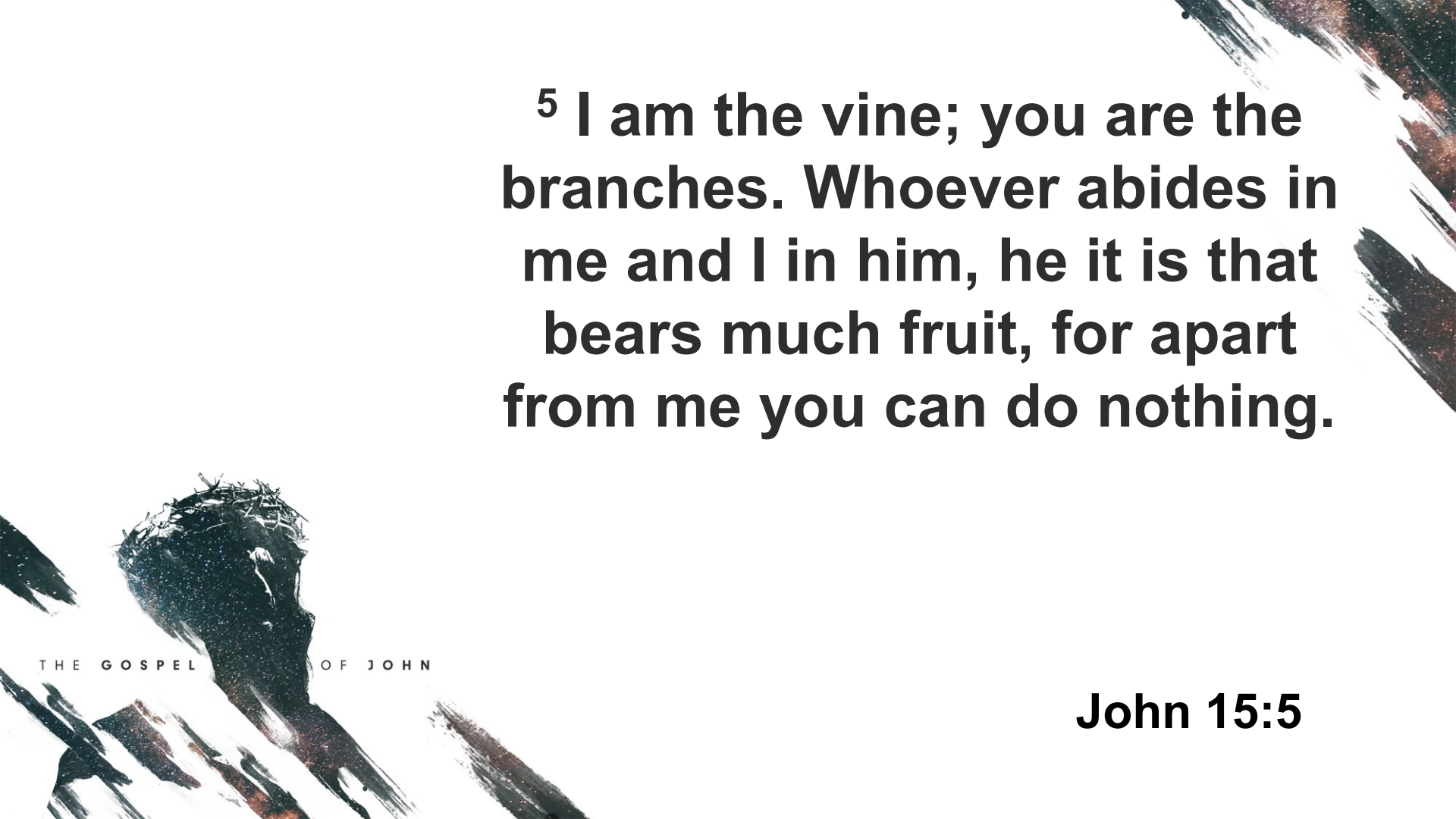
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- 1 “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser.**
- 2 Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit.**



³ Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴ Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me.

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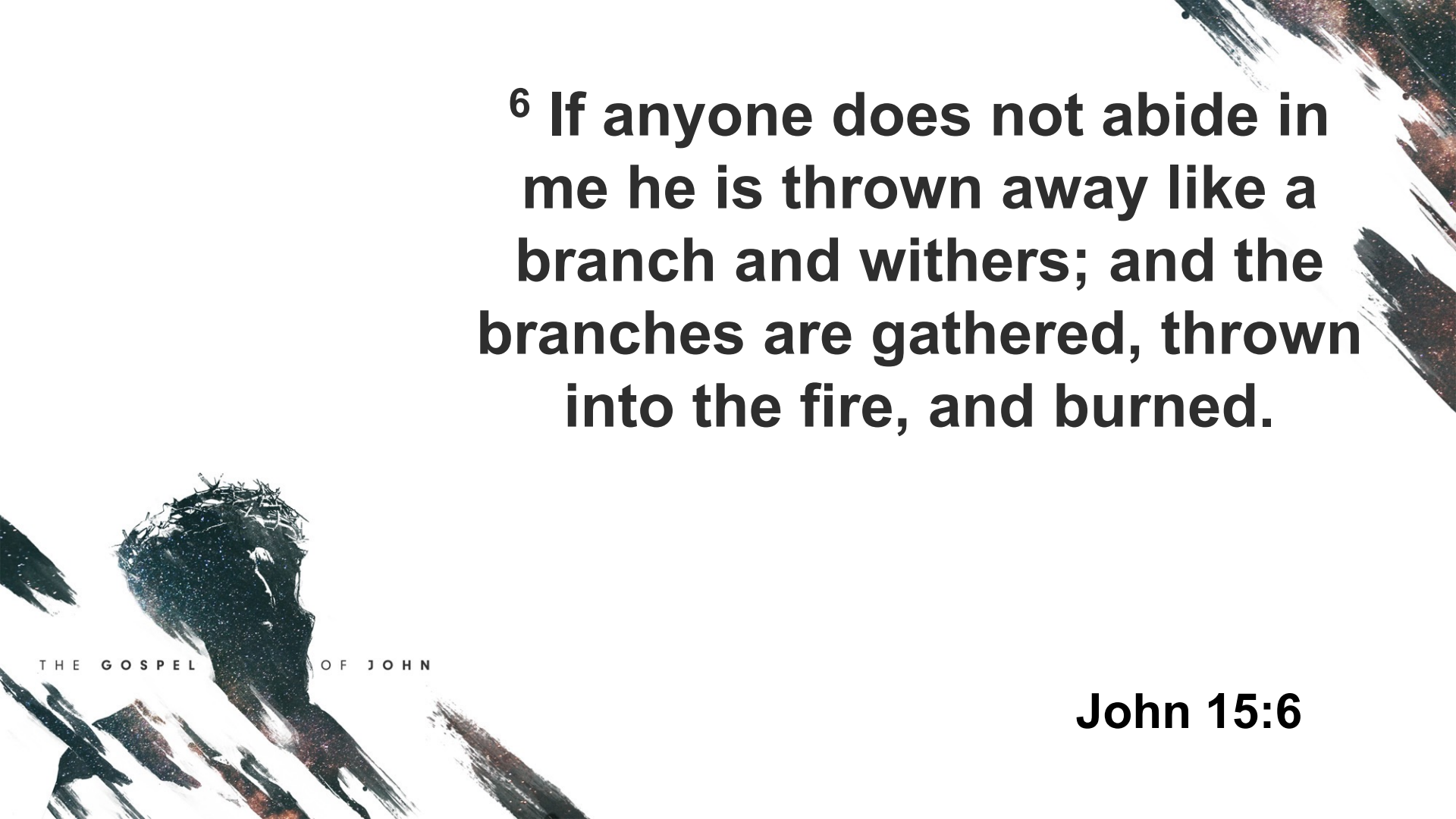
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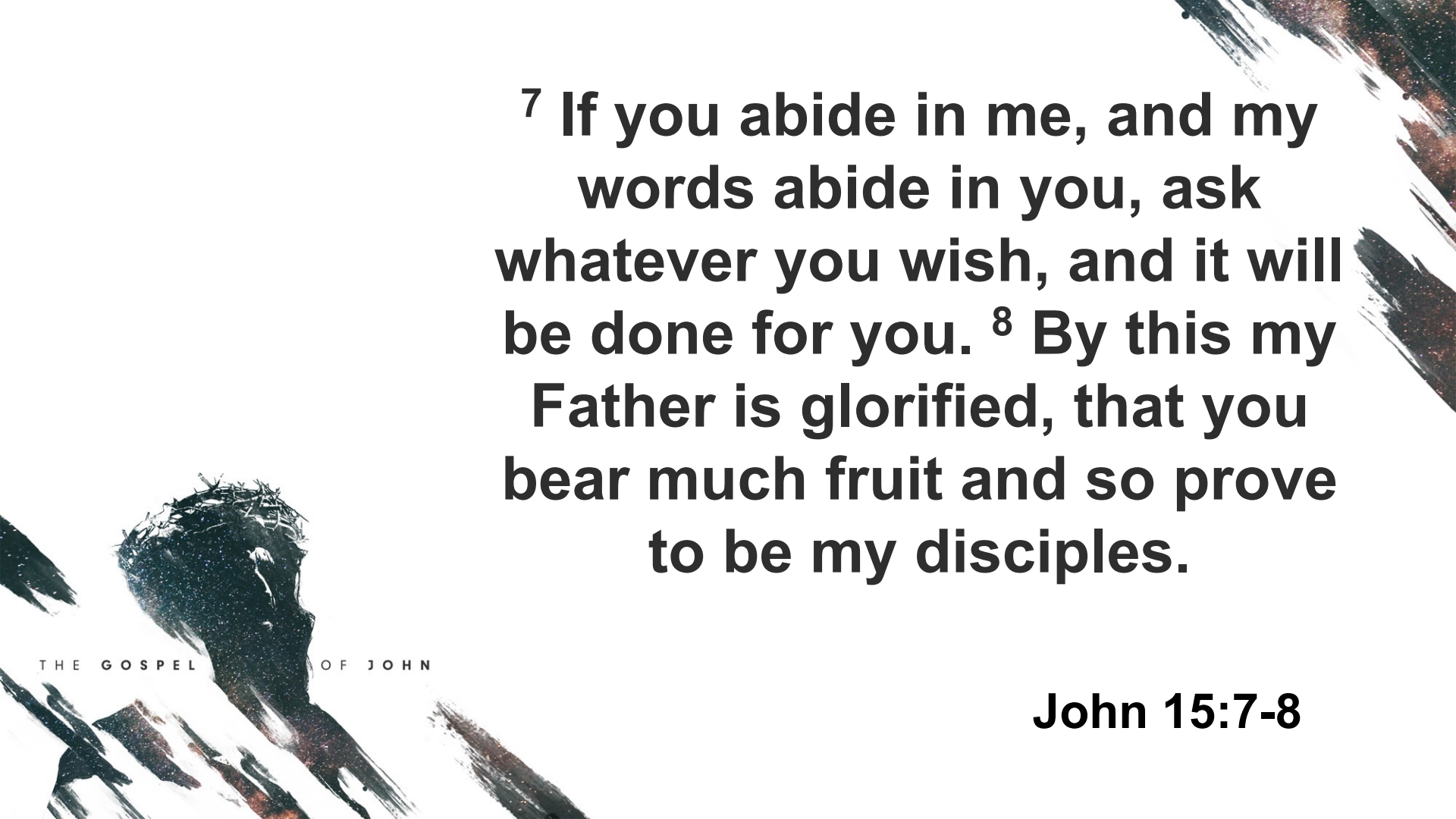
⁵ I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

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John 15:5



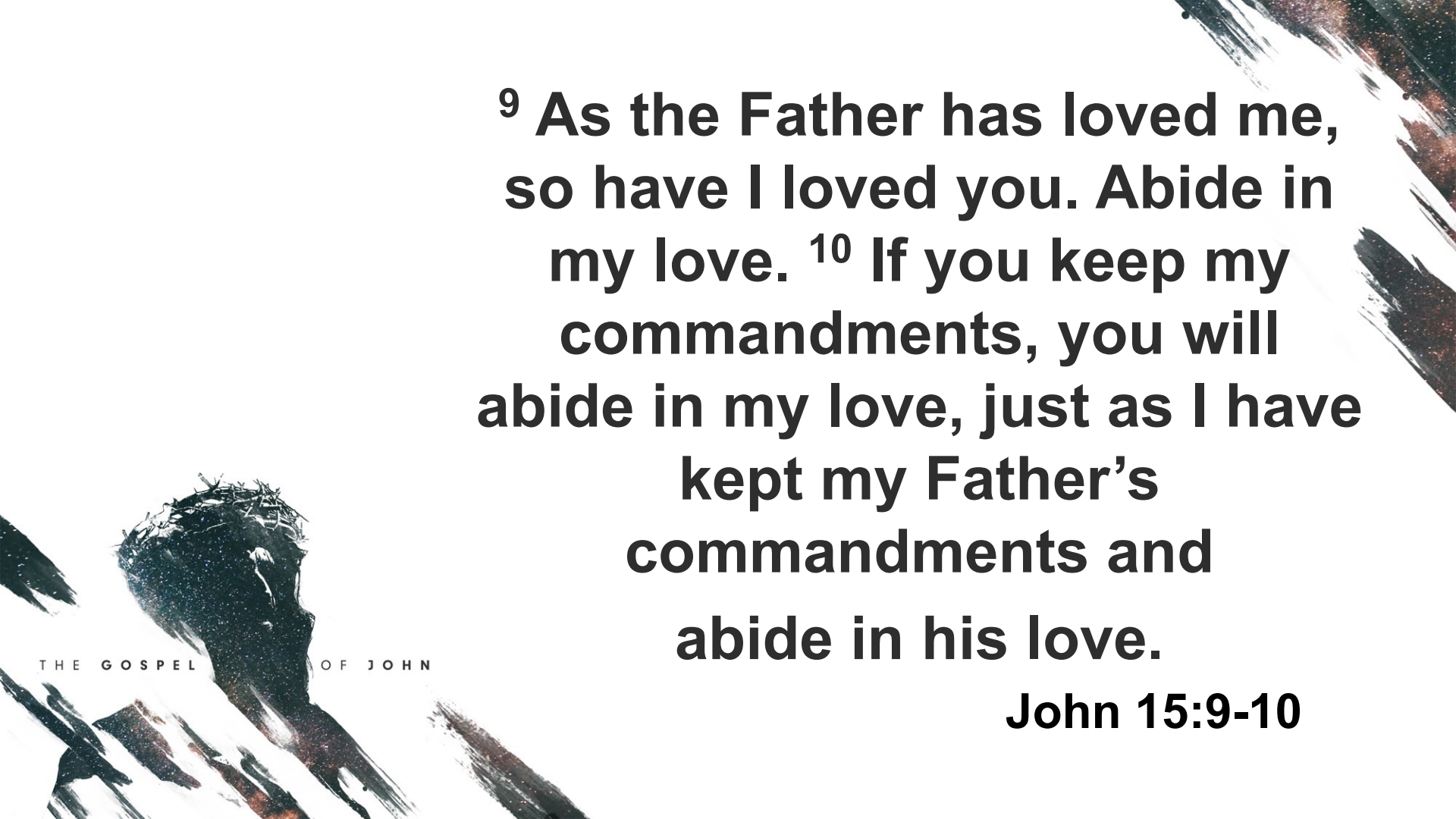
6 If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned.



7 If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. 8 By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

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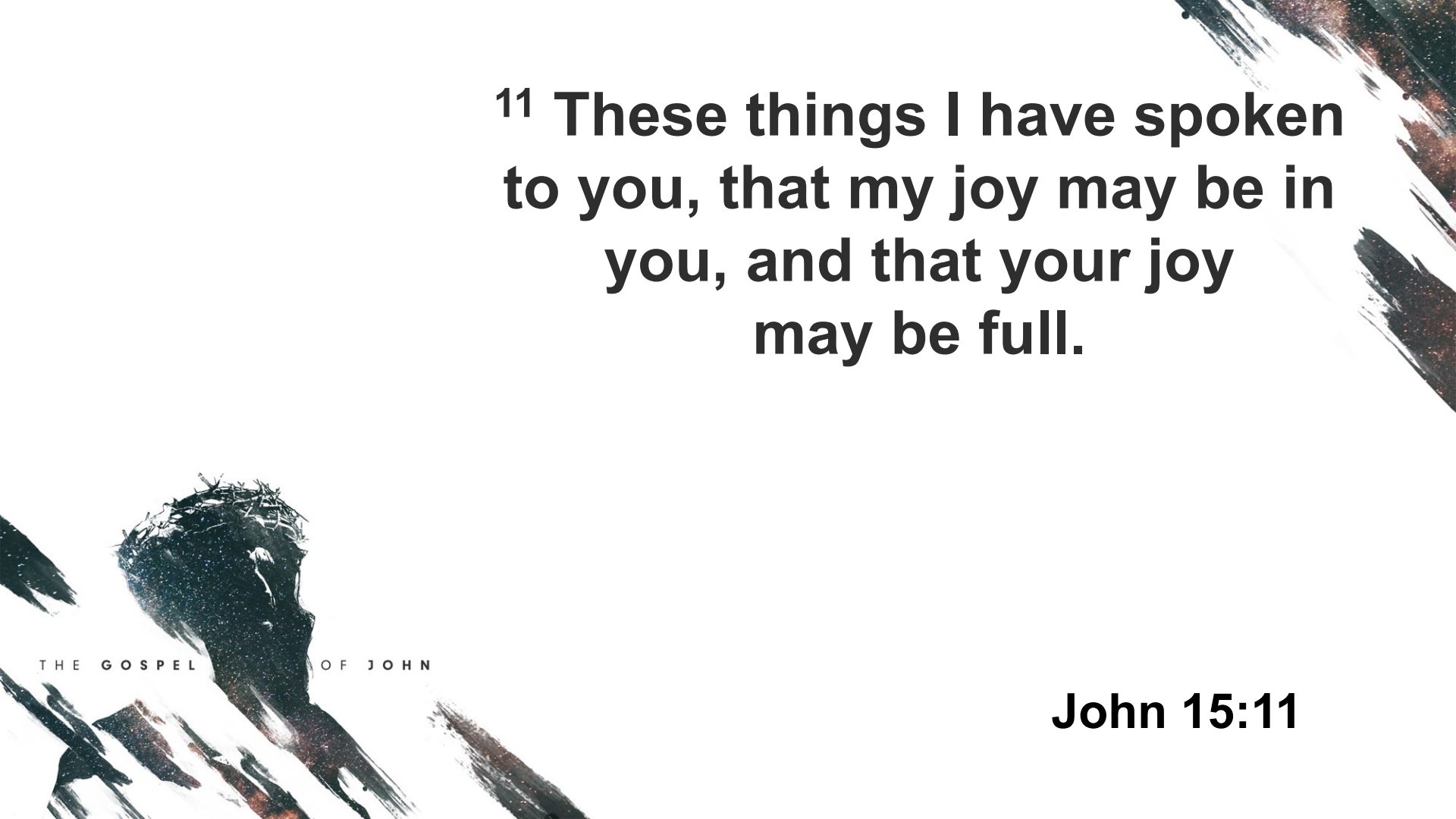
John 15:7-8



**⁹ As the Father has loved me,
so have I loved you. Abide in
my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my
commandments, you will
abide in my love, just as I have
kept my Father's
commandments and
abide in his love.**

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John 15:9-10



**11 These things I have spoken
to you, that my joy may be in
you, and that your joy
may be full.**

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John 15:11



THE G O S P E L O F J O H N

1. Jesus is the true vine

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2. We must abide in Jesus



3. When we abide in Jesus, we will bear fruit

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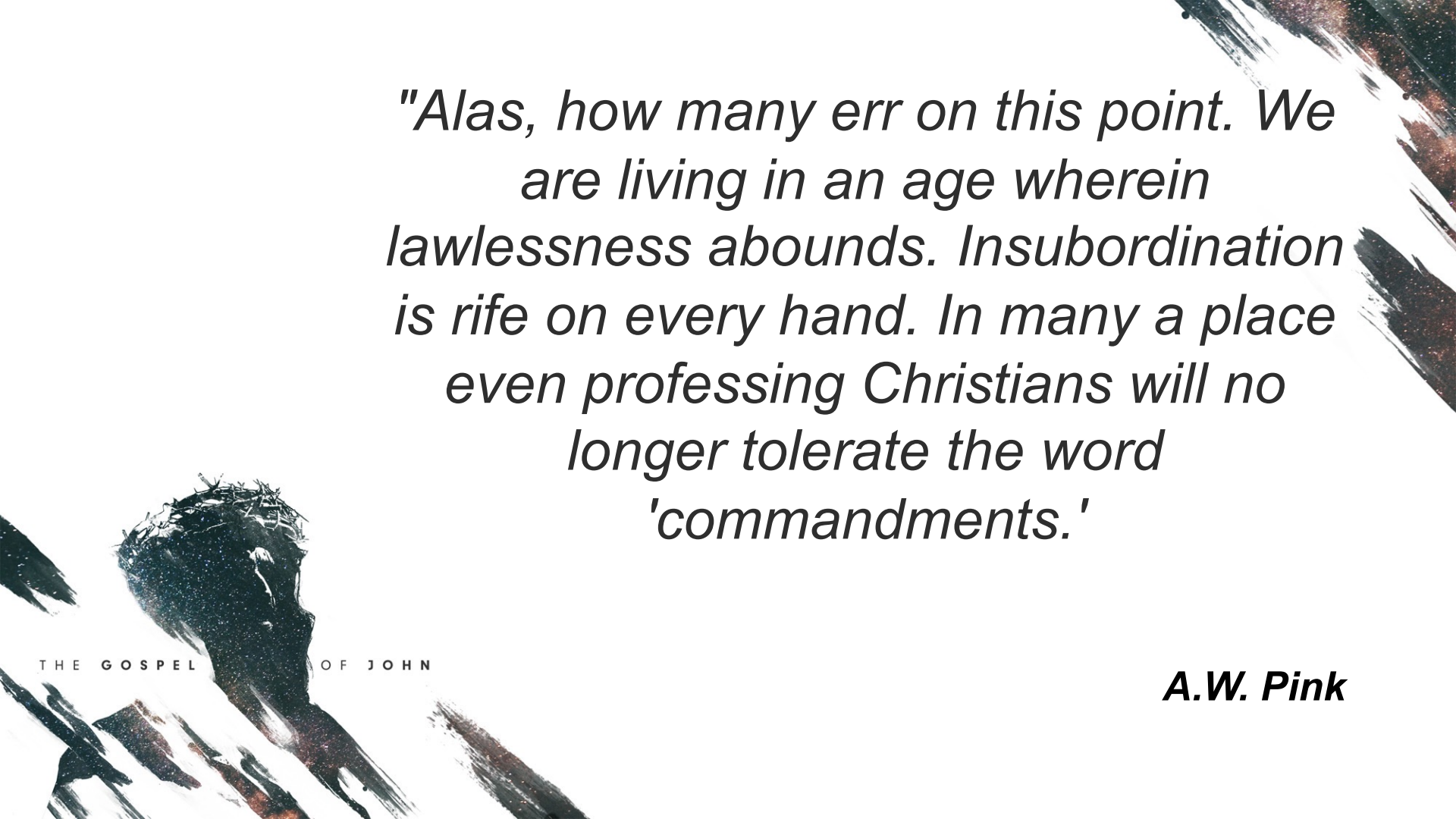
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- **As a Christian, it is important that I bear fruit**

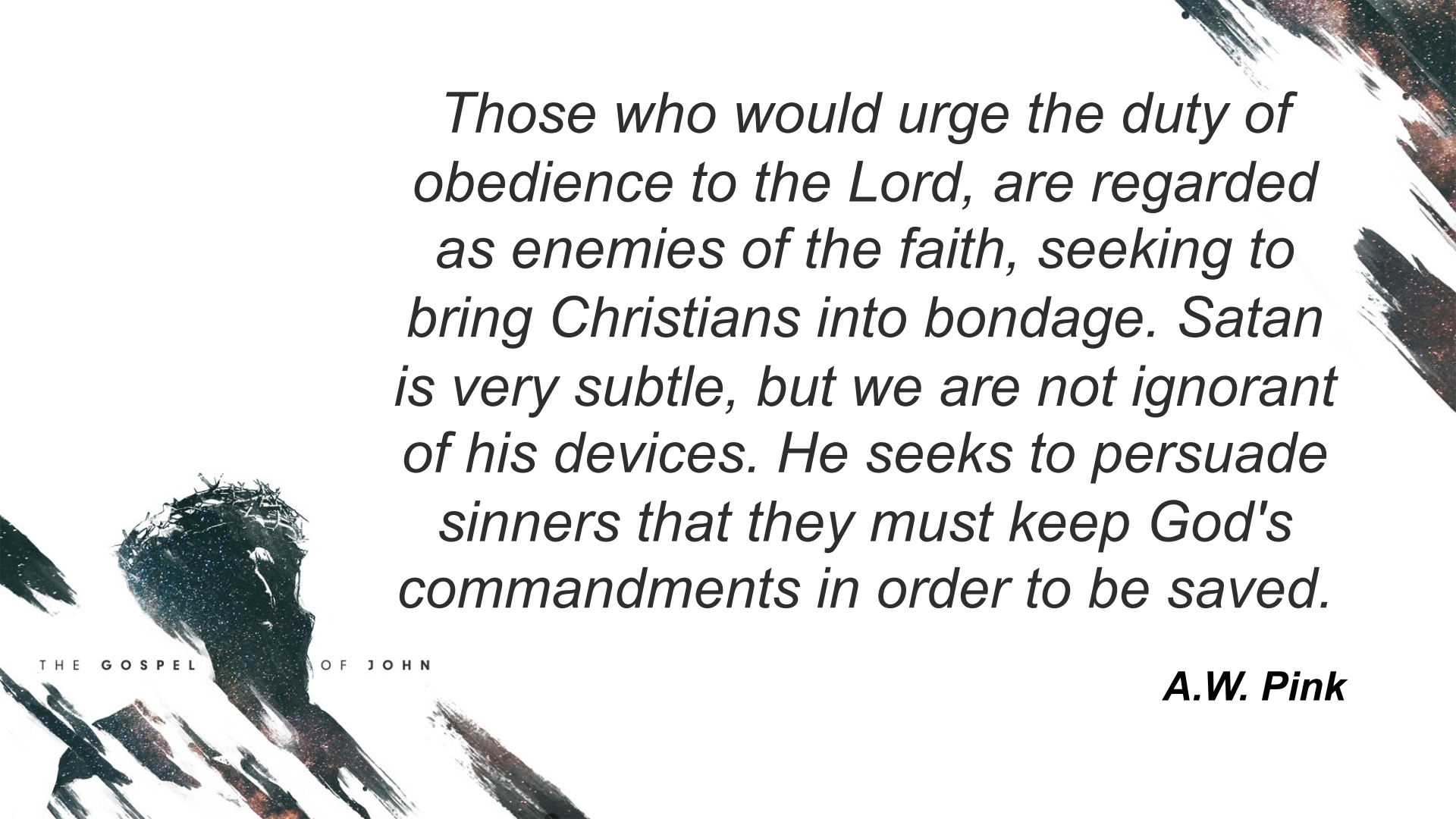
4. Abiding in Christ requires obedience

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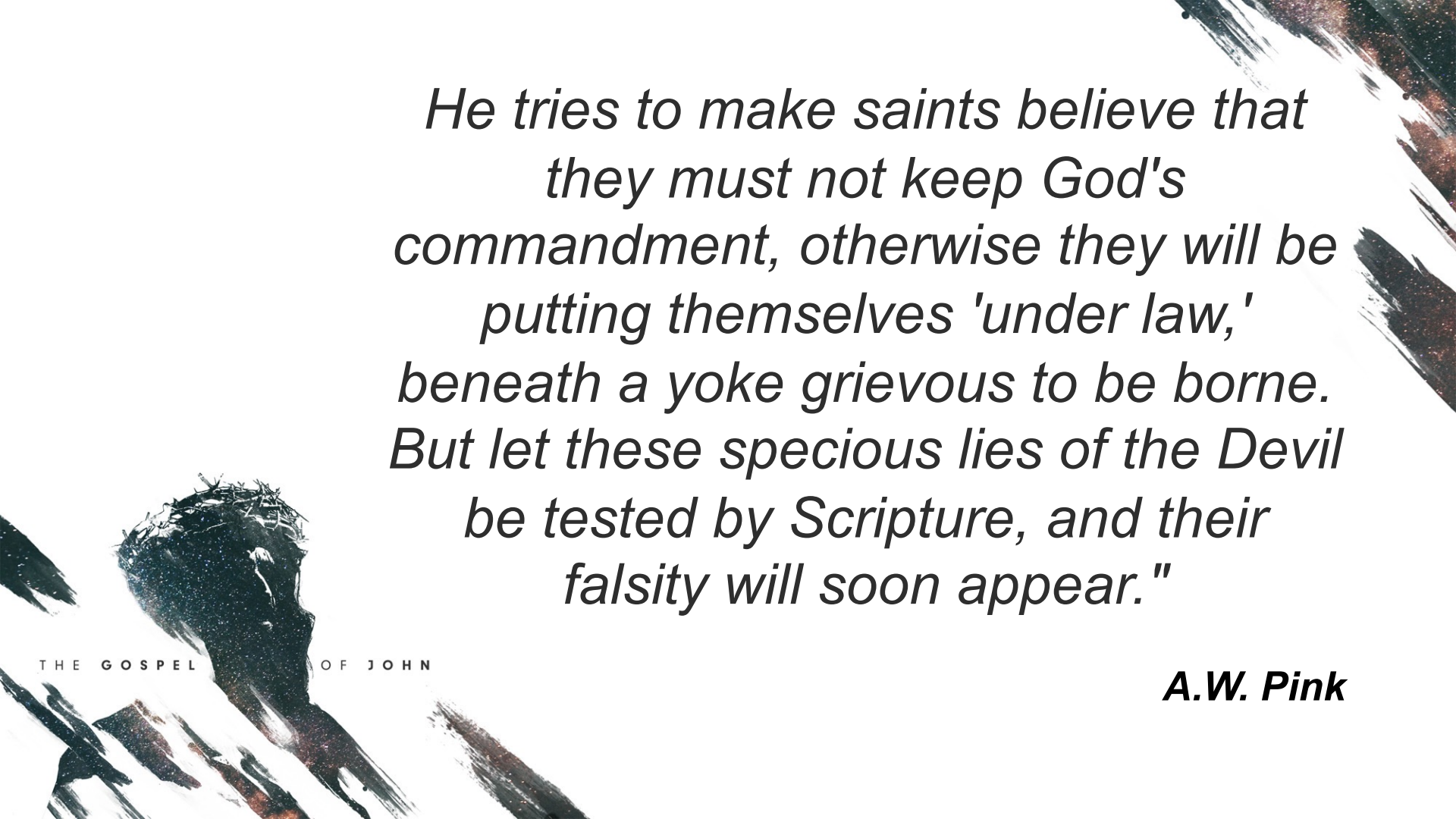
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"Alas, how many err on this point. We are living in an age wherein lawlessness abounds. Insubordination is rife on every hand. In many a place even professing Christians will no longer tolerate the word 'commandments.'



Those who would urge the duty of obedience to the Lord, are regarded as enemies of the faith, seeking to bring Christians into bondage. Satan is very subtle, but we are not ignorant of his devices. He seeks to persuade sinners that they must keep God's commandments in order to be saved.



He tries to make saints believe that they must not keep God's commandment, otherwise they will be putting themselves 'under law,' beneath a yoke grievous to be borne. But let these specious lies of the Devil be tested by Scripture, and their falsity will soon appear."



4. Abiding in Christ requires obedience

5. The result of abiding in Christ is joy



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