

When Darkness Reigns
Luke 22:35-65

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What will we learn?

- ❖ The sins of Judas and Peter are not uncommon.
- ❖ The big difference between Judas and Peter is Peter's repentance.
- ❖ Jesus was abandoned by all so we can be accepted by God.

Implications of the Last Supper:

- ❖ The death of Jesus is the center of history.
- ❖ The death and resurrection of Jesus is the foundation of a new kind of community.
- ❖ The death of Jesus explains the mystery of the Jewish sacrificial system.
- ❖ You must respond to Jesus individually.

New community:

- ❖ Intimate family
- ❖ Radical society
- ❖ Reverse meritocracy



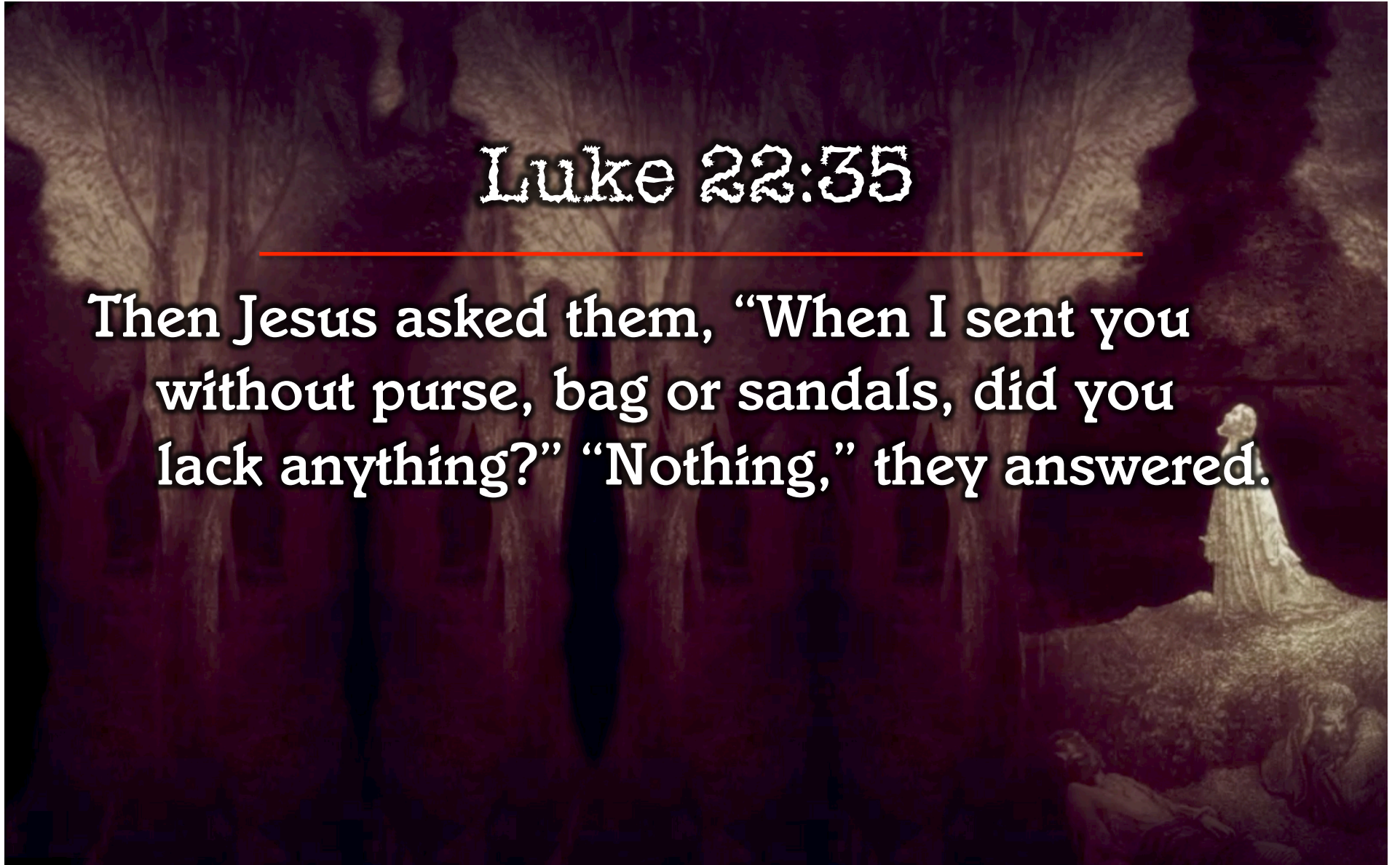
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- ❖ Last Supper last words
- ❖ Garden of Gethsemane
- ❖ Peter's denial
- ❖ Guards' mocking



Luke 22:35

Then Jesus asked them, “When I sent you without purse, bag or sandals, did you lack anything?” “Nothing,” they answered.



Luke 22:36-37

He said to them, "But now if you have a purse, take it, and also a bag; and if you don't have a sword, sell your cloak and buy one. It is written: 'And he was numbered with the transgressors'; and I tell you that this must be fulfilled in me. Yes, what is written about me is reaching its fulfillment."

Luke 22:38

The disciples said, "See, Lord, here are two swords." "That's enough!" he replied.



Luke 22:39-40

Jesus went out as usual to the Mount of Olives, and his disciples followed him. On reaching the place, he said to them, "Pray that you will not fall into temptation."



Luke 22:41-42

He withdrew about a stone's throw beyond them, knelt down and prayed, "Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done."



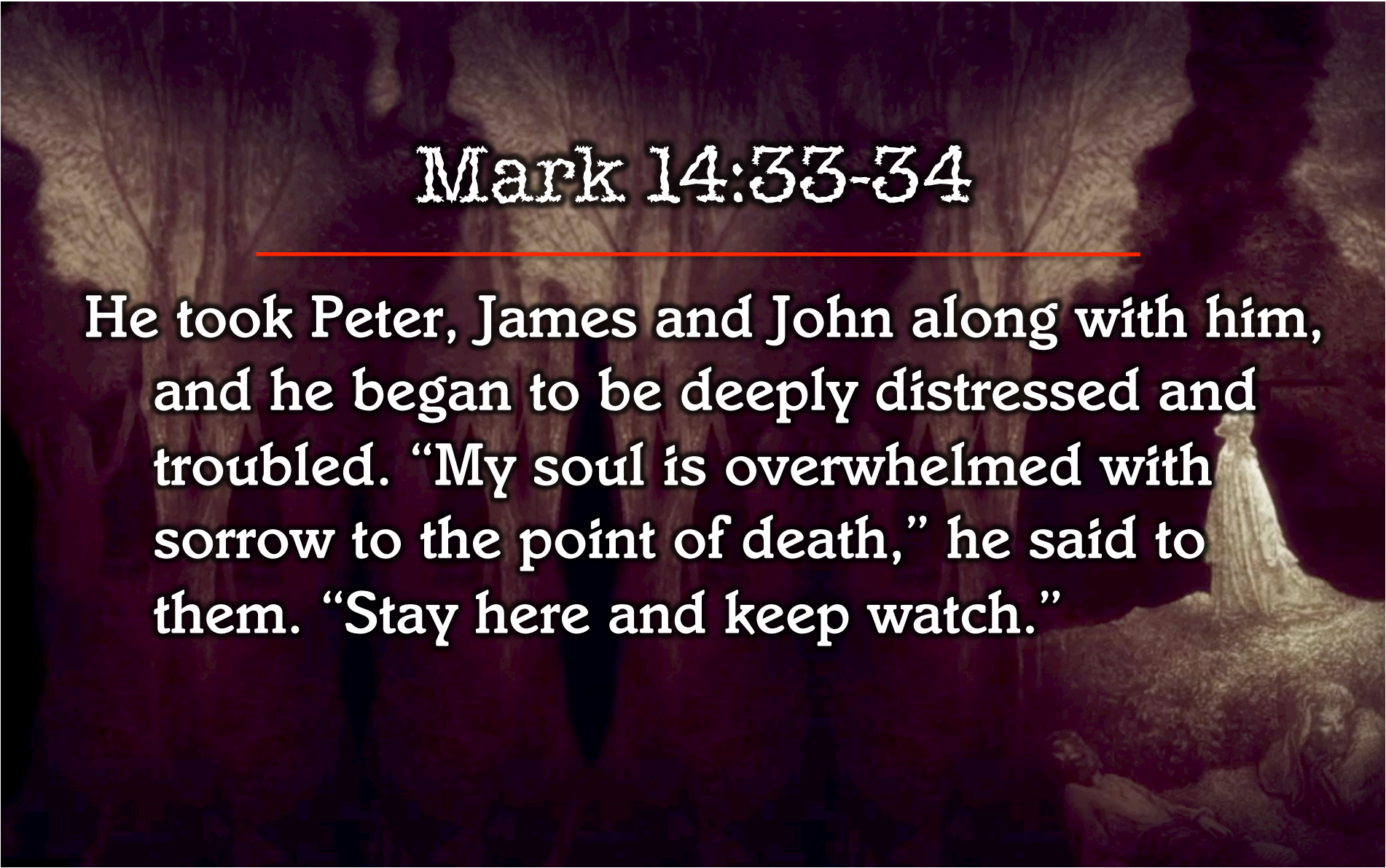
Luke 22:43-44

An angel from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him. And being in anguish, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground.



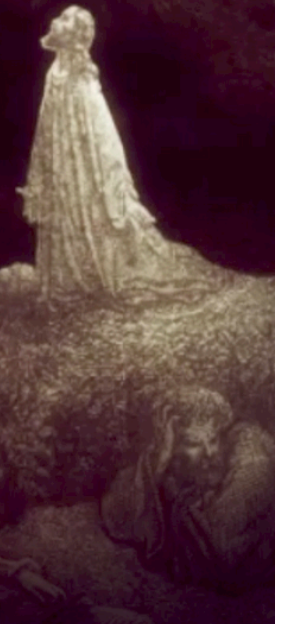
Mark 14:33-34

He took Peter, James and John along with him, and he began to be deeply distressed and troubled. “My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death,” he said to them. “Stay here and keep watch.”

A dark, atmospheric painting of a night scene. In the center-right, a woman in a long, flowing white dress stands on a grassy hill, looking towards the left. The background is filled with dark, silhouetted trees. In the foreground, several figures are visible, some appearing to be sleeping or resting on the ground. The overall mood is somber and mysterious.

Luke 22:45-46

When he rose from prayer and went back to the disciples, he found them asleep, exhausted from sorrow. “Why are you sleeping?” he asked them. “Get up and pray so that you will not fall into temptation.”



Luke 22:47-48

While he was still speaking a crowd came up, and the man who was called Judas, one of the Twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him, but Jesus asked him, "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?"

Luke 22:49-51

When Jesus' followers saw what was going to happen, they said, "Lord, should we strike with our swords?" And one of them struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his right ear. But Jesus answered, "No more of this!" And he touched the man's ear and healed him.

Luke 22:52-53

Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple guard, and the elders, who had come for him, “Am I leading a rebellion, that you have come with swords and clubs? Every day I was with you in the temple courts, and you did not lay a hand on me. But this is your hour — when darkness reigns.”

Luke 22:54-55

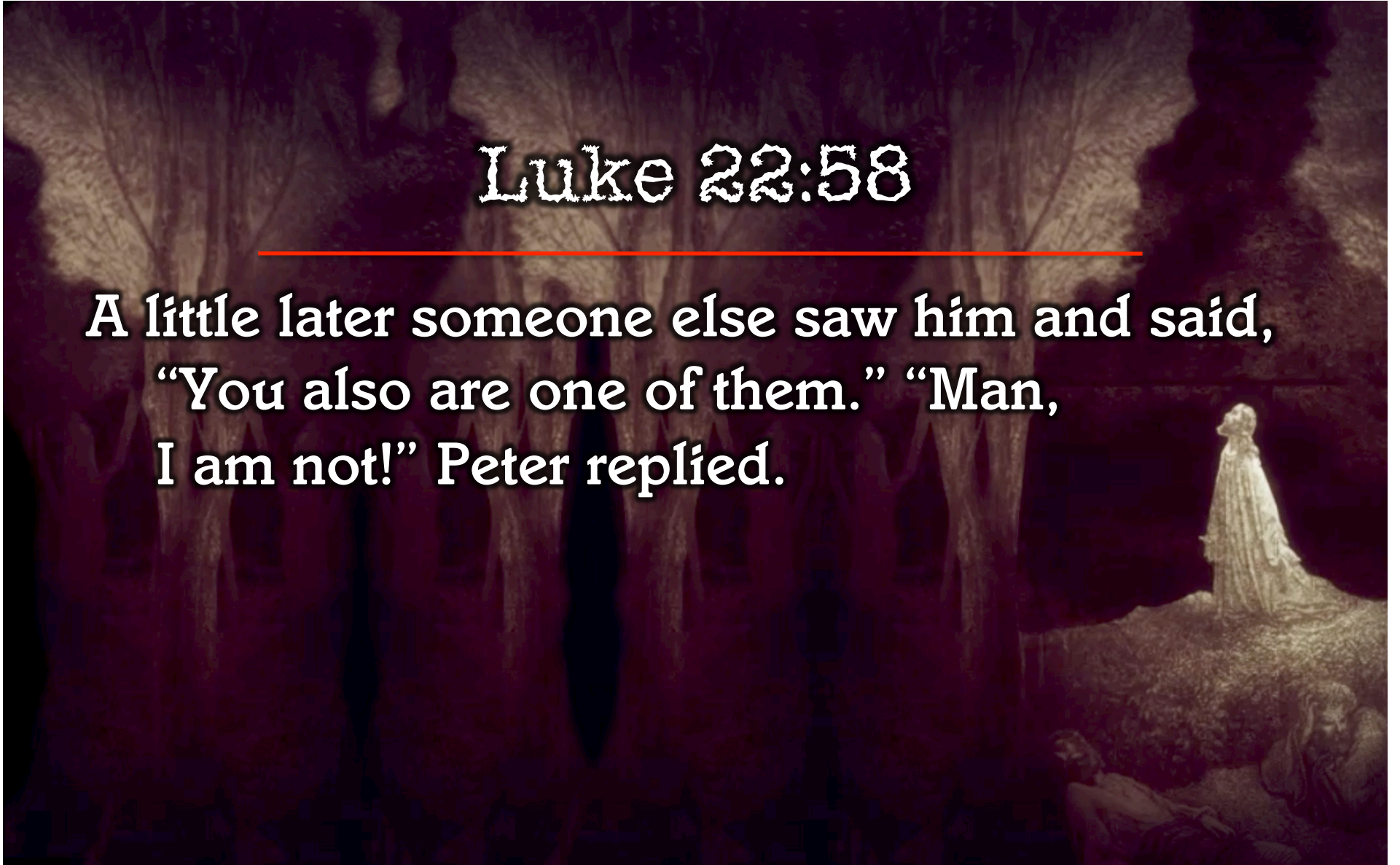
Then seizing him, they led him away and took him into the house of the high priest. Peter followed at a distance. And when some there had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and had sat down together, Peter sat down with them.

Luke 22:56-57

A servant girl saw him seated there in the firelight. She looked closely at him and said, "This man was with him." But he denied it. "Woman, I don't know him," he said.

Luke 22:58

A little later someone else saw him and said,
“You also are one of them.” “Man,
I am not!” Peter replied.



Luke 22:59-60

About an hour later another asserted, “Certainly this fellow was with him, for he is a Galílean.” Peter replied, “Man, I don’t know what you’re talking about!” Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed.

Luke 22:61-62

The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter.
Then Peter remembered the word the Lord
had spoken to him: “Before the rooster crows
today, you will disown me three times.”
And he went outside and wept bitterly.

Luke 22:63-65

The men who were guarding Jesus began mocking and beating him. They blindfolded him and demanded, "Prophecy! Who hit you?" And they said many other insulting things to him.

Rejection of Jesus:

- ❖ Judas betrayed him.
- ❖ Peter denied him.
- ❖ Disciples fled.
- ❖ Guards mocked him.
- ❖ God the Father abandoned him.



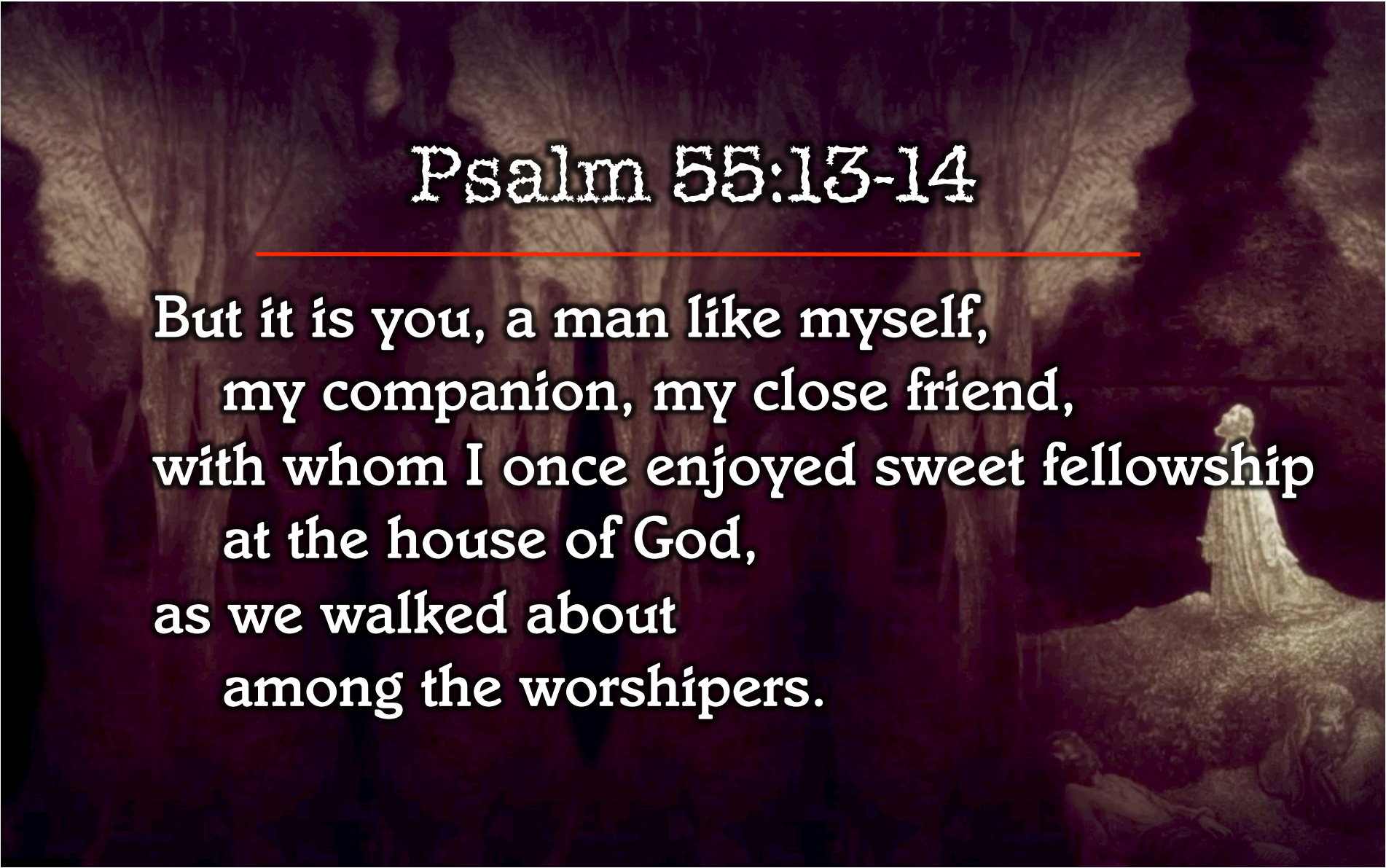
Psalm 55:12

If an enemy were insulting me,
I could endure it;
if a foe were rising against me,
I could hide.



Psalm 55:13-14

But it is you, a man like myself,
my companion, my close friend,
with whom I once enjoyed sweet fellowship
at the house of God,
as we walked about
among the worshipers.

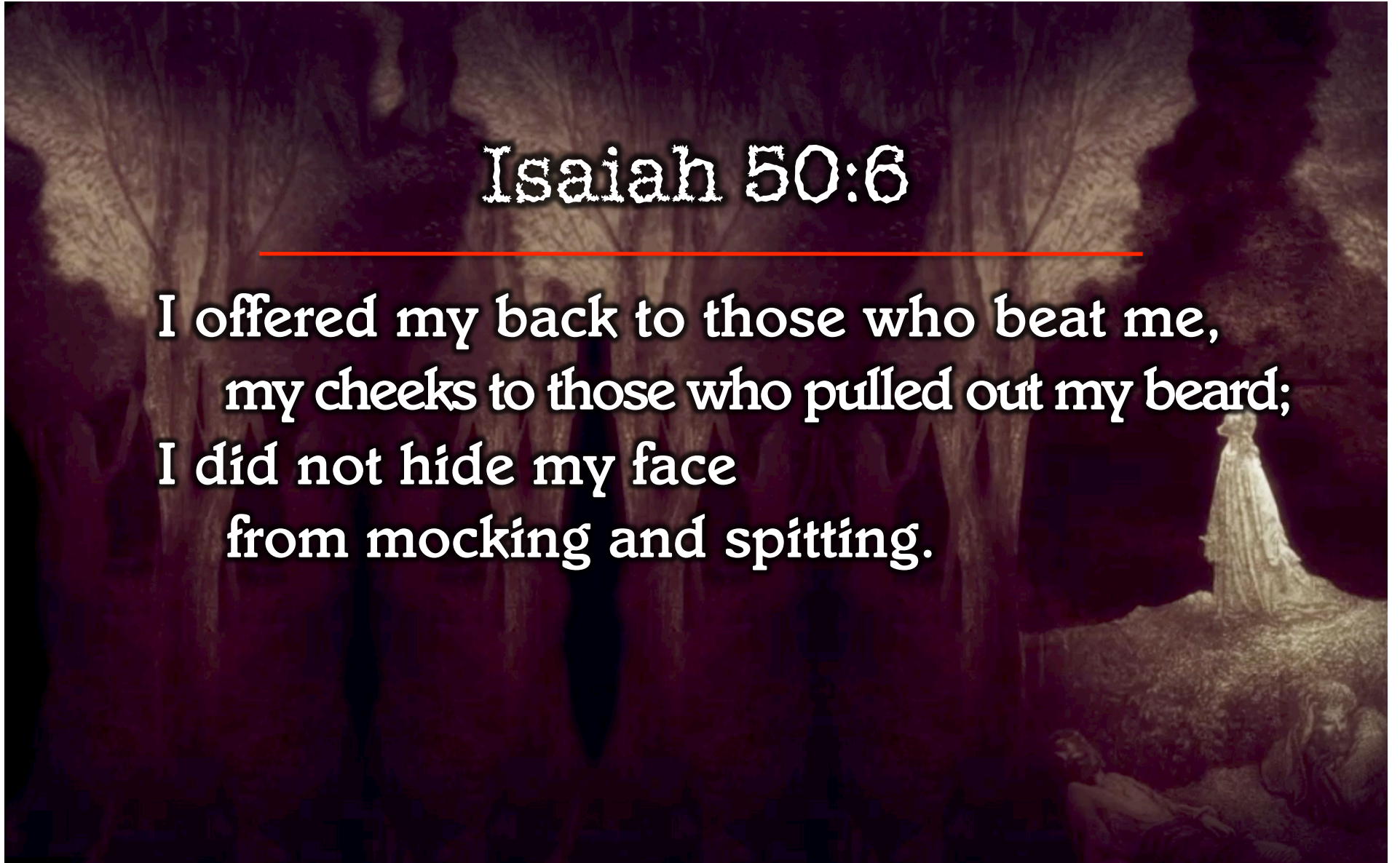


Luke 18:31-33

Jesus took the Twelve aside and told them,
“We are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written by the prophets about the Son of Man will be fulfilled. He will be delivered over to the Gentiles. They will mock him, insult him and spit on him; they will flog him and kill him. On the third day he will rise again.”

Isaiah 50:6

I offered my back to those who beat me,
my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard;
I did not hide my face
from mocking and spitting.



Nahum 1:6

Who can withstand his indignation?
Who can endure his fierce anger?
His wrath is poured out like fire;
the rocks are shattered before him.





Sin =

- ❖ Not breaking God's law
- ❖ But breaking God's heart

Isaiah 49:15

**“Can a mother forget the baby at her breast
and have no compassion on
the child she has borne?
Though she may forget,
I will not forget you!**



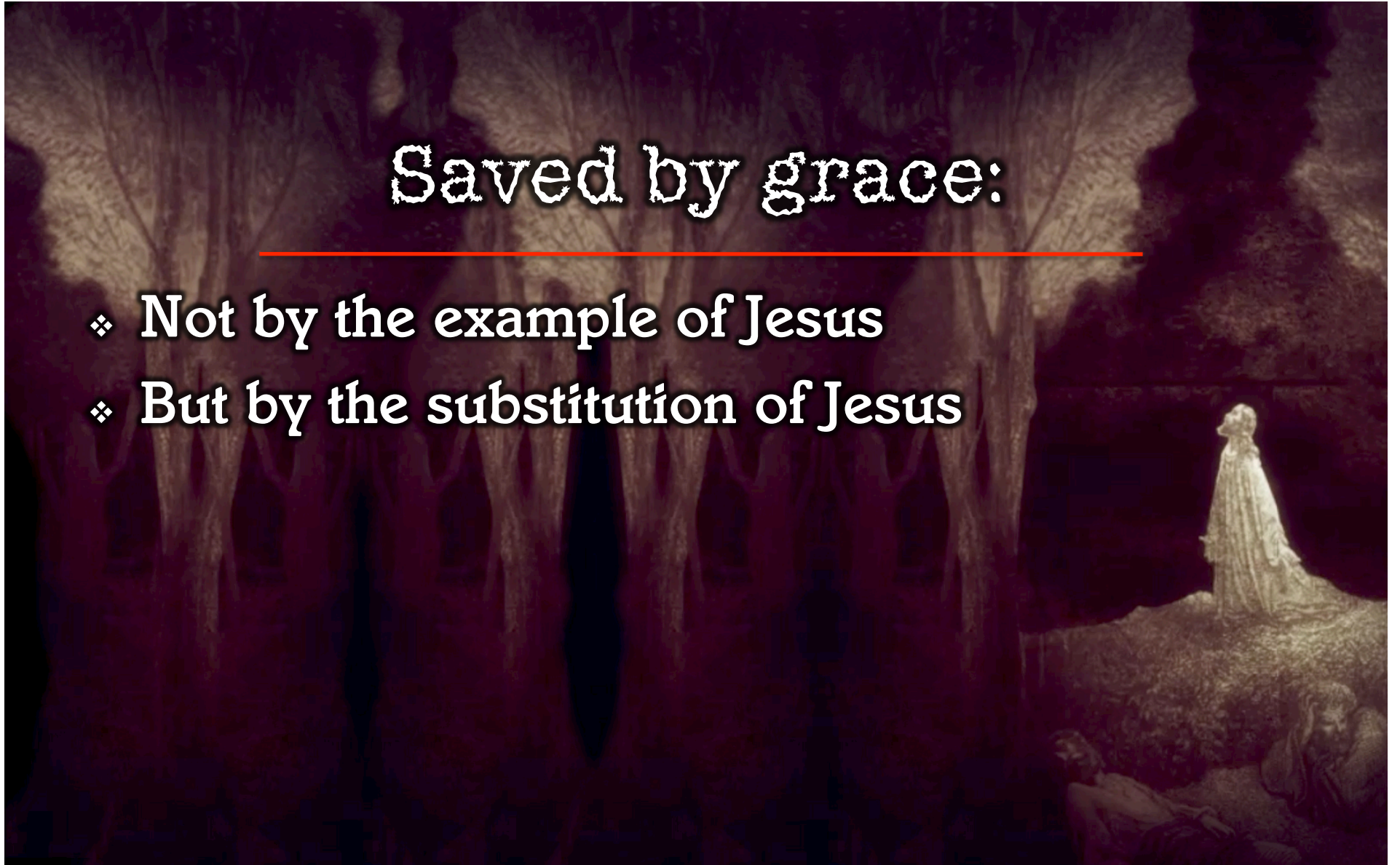
Luke 23:44-45

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two.



Saved by grace:

- ❖ Not by the example of Jesus
- ❖ But by the substitution of Jesus



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Are you being called?

- ❖ To receive Christ
- ❖ To become a member of Melbourne Community Church
- ❖ To pray / to receive prayer
- ❖ To affirm or reaffirm a commitment
- ❖ To receive the LORD's Supper

