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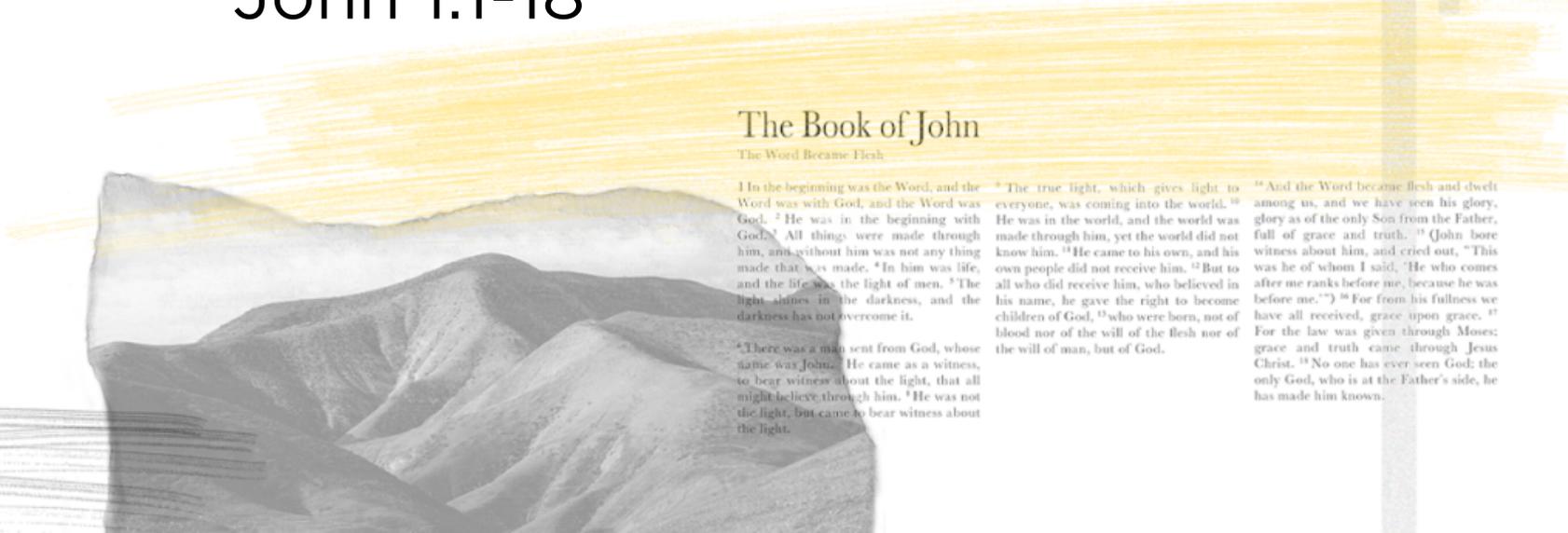
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6 There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. 7 He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. 8 He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light.

9 The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. 10 He was in the world, and the world did not know him. 11 He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. 12 But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, 13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

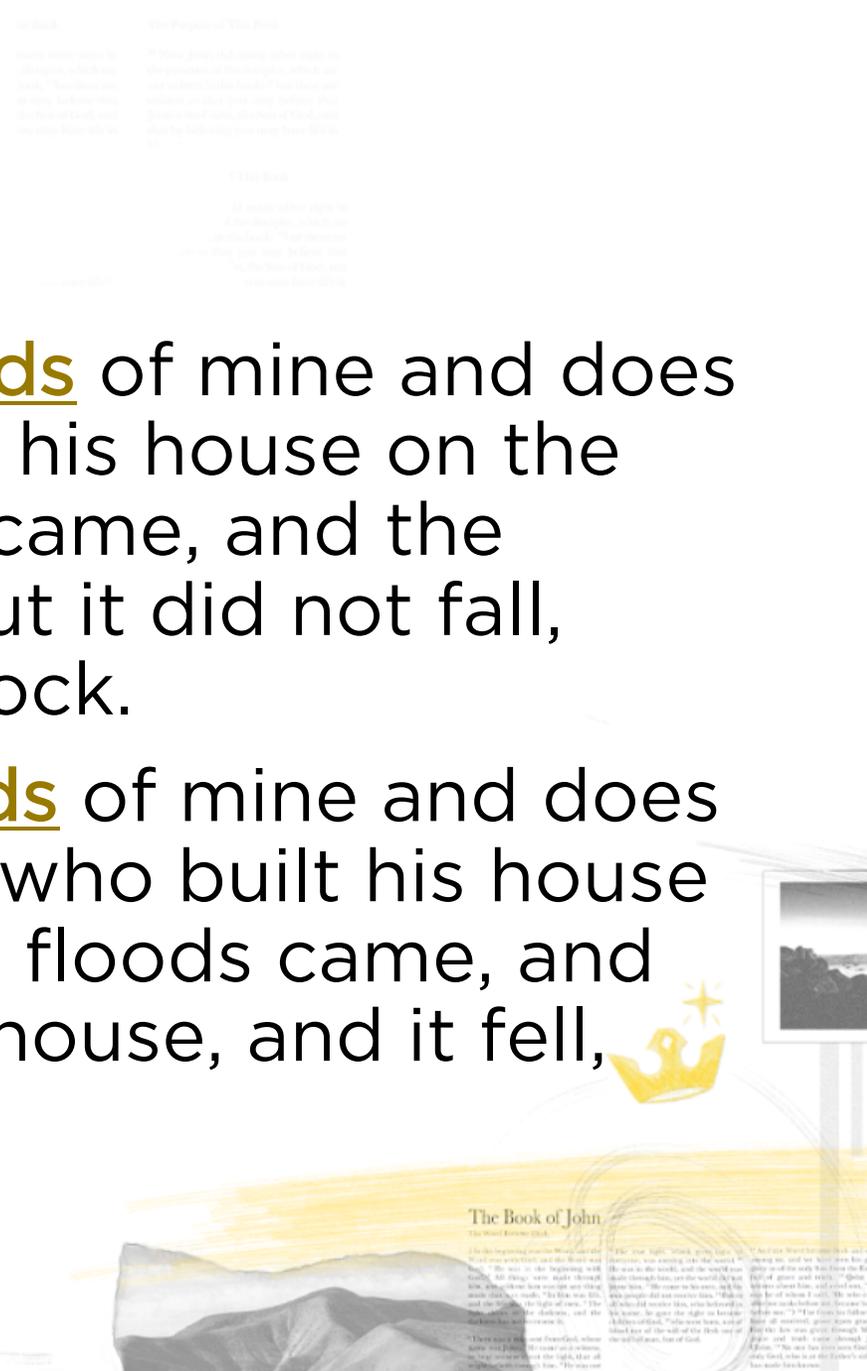
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Matthew 7:24-27

Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock.

And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.



John 20:30-31

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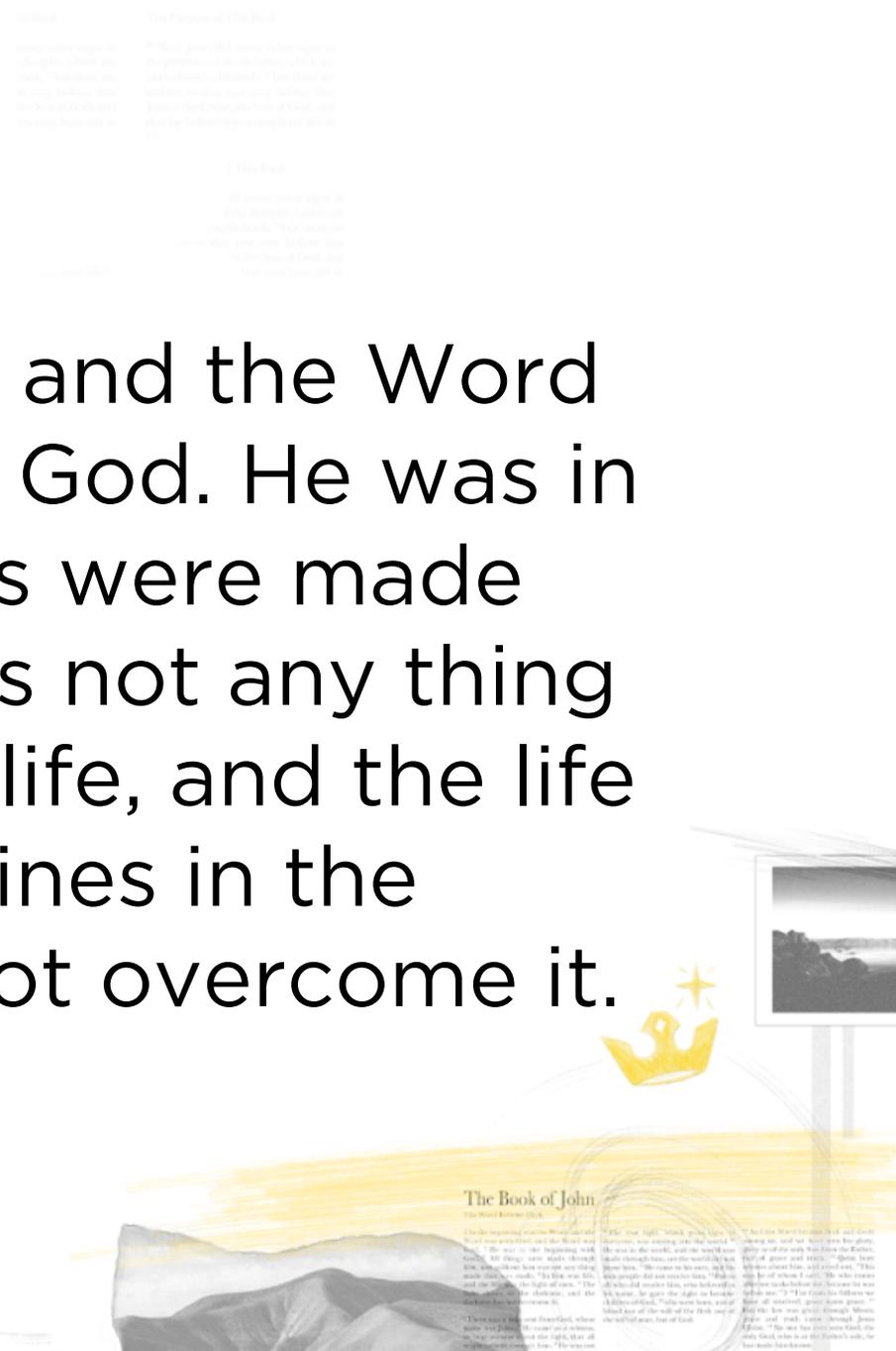


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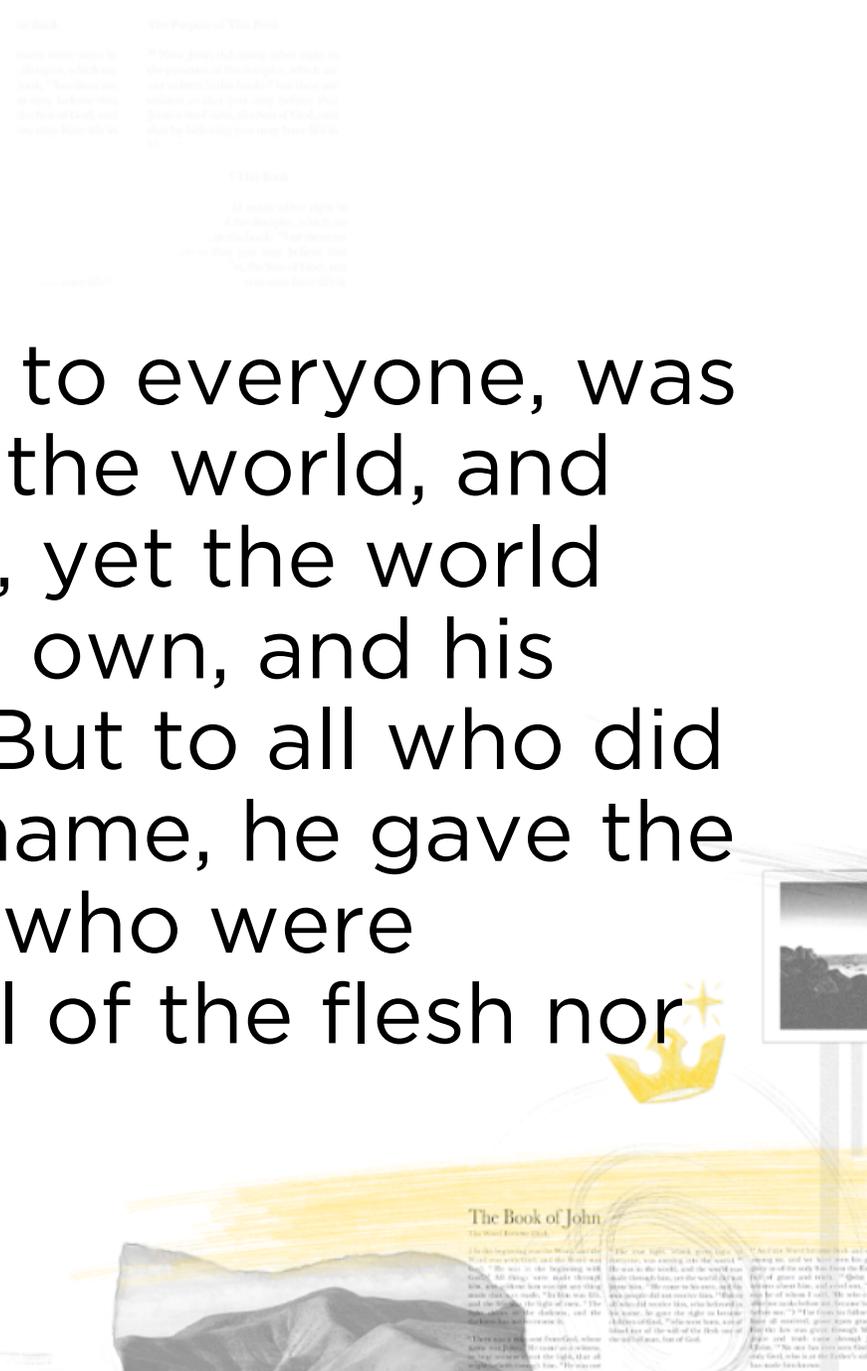
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1. His eternal nature

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2. He was with God from eternity past.

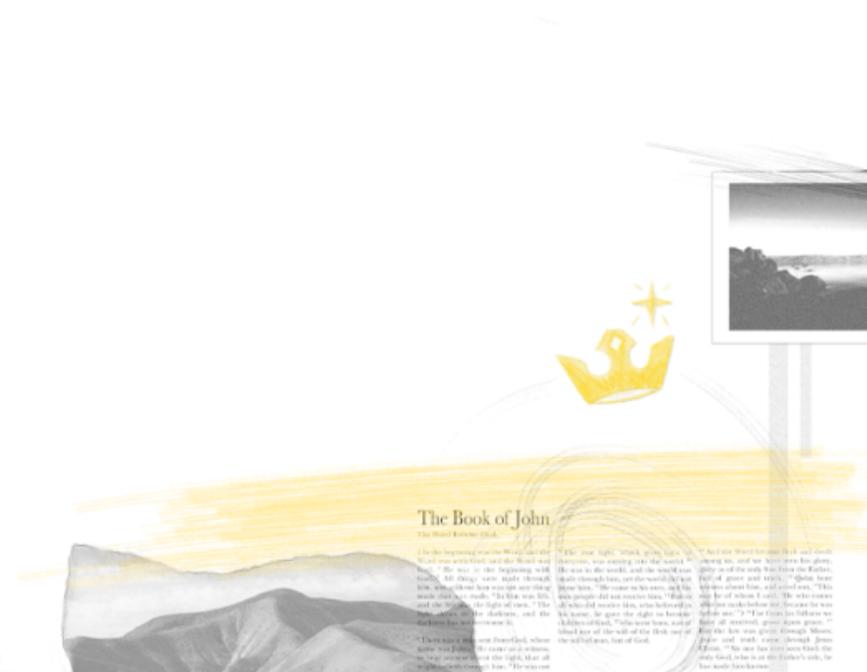
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3. This Word is distinct from God, while at the same time, being God.

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John 15:22

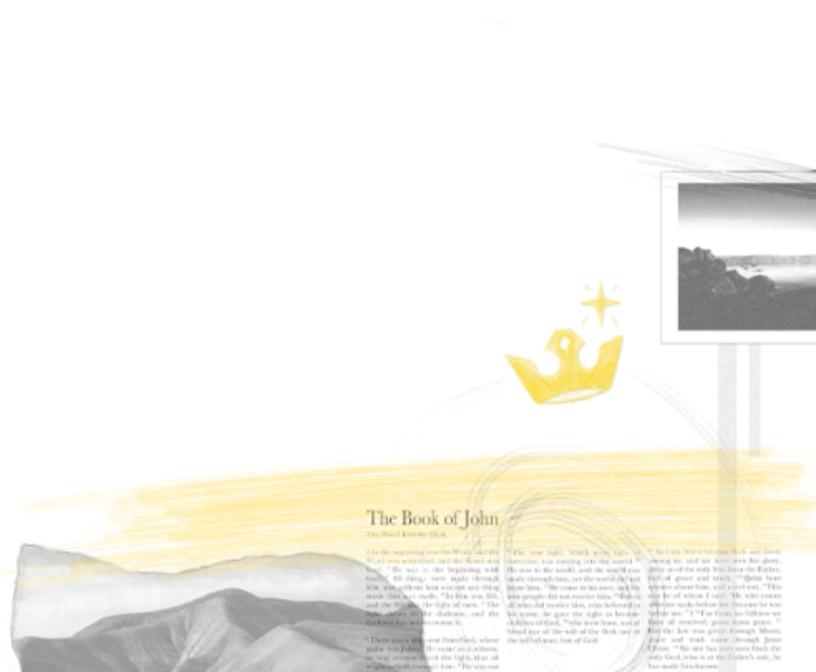
If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have been guilty of sin, but now they have no excuse for their sin. . .

If I had not done among them the works that no one else did, they would not be guilty of sin, but now they have seen and hated both me and my Father.



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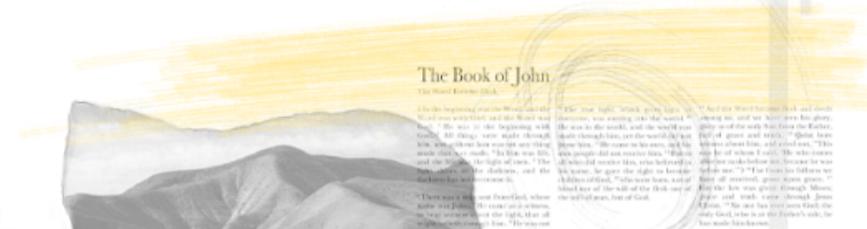


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The Greek word is *katelaben*, and it literally means that the darkness did not eagerly take or possess the light.



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A Ray of Hope

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"Now I have written these things to you in the presence of our witnesses, which are seated before you, that they may witness that you have written these things in the truth. The Son of Man, and that he has written these things in the truth."

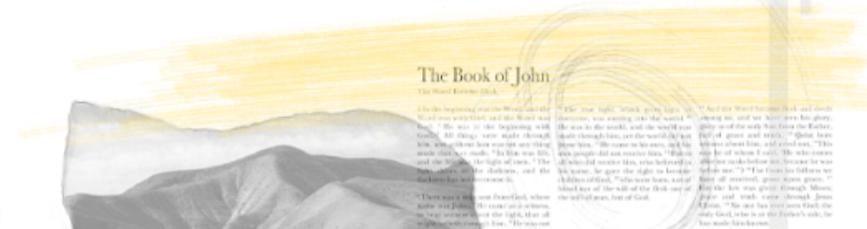


“dwelt among us” = “pitched His tent” = “tabernacled”

2 Cor. 6:16

“I will make my dwelling among them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.”

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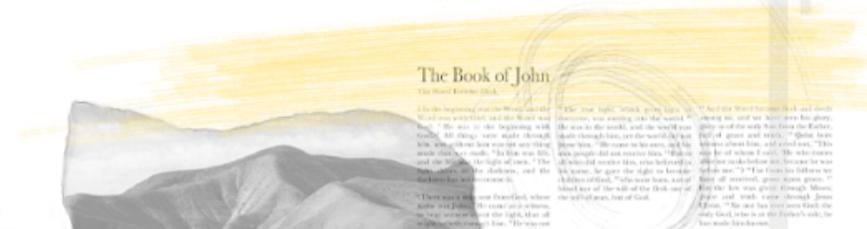
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8. He is full of grace and truth.

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9. He has explained God the Father.

(1:18) No one has ever seen God, but God the One and Only, who is at the Father's side, has made him known. (*i.e.* declared, explained, revealed)

(15:9) Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you. Abide in my love.



“The best proof that [God] will never cease to love us, lies in that He never began.”



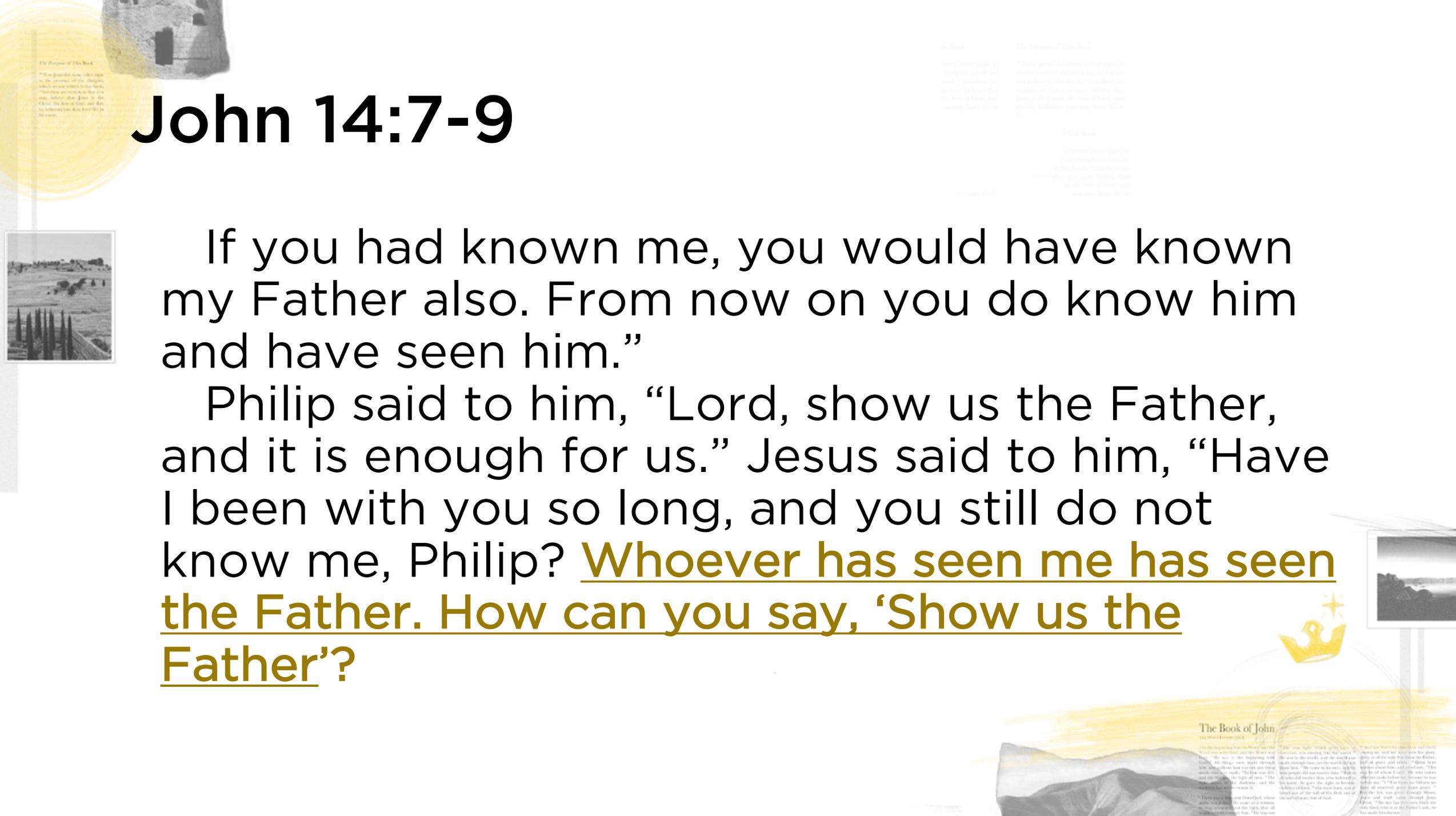
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John 14:7-9

If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’?”



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Hebrews 1:3

[Jesus Christ] is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power.



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