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Worship at
Zion Lutheran Church*



Wednesday, November 2, 2022 5:30 pm

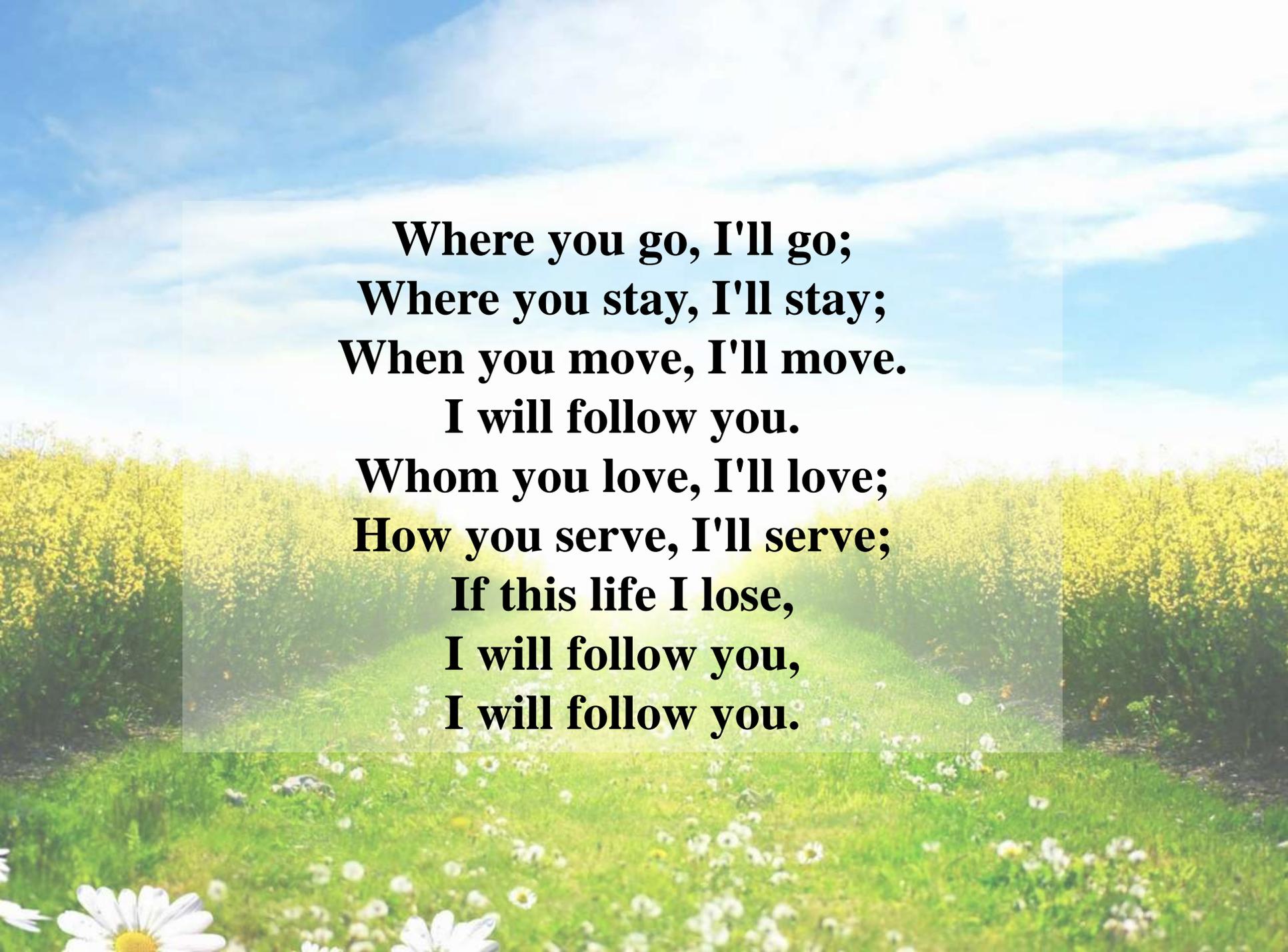
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I Will Follow

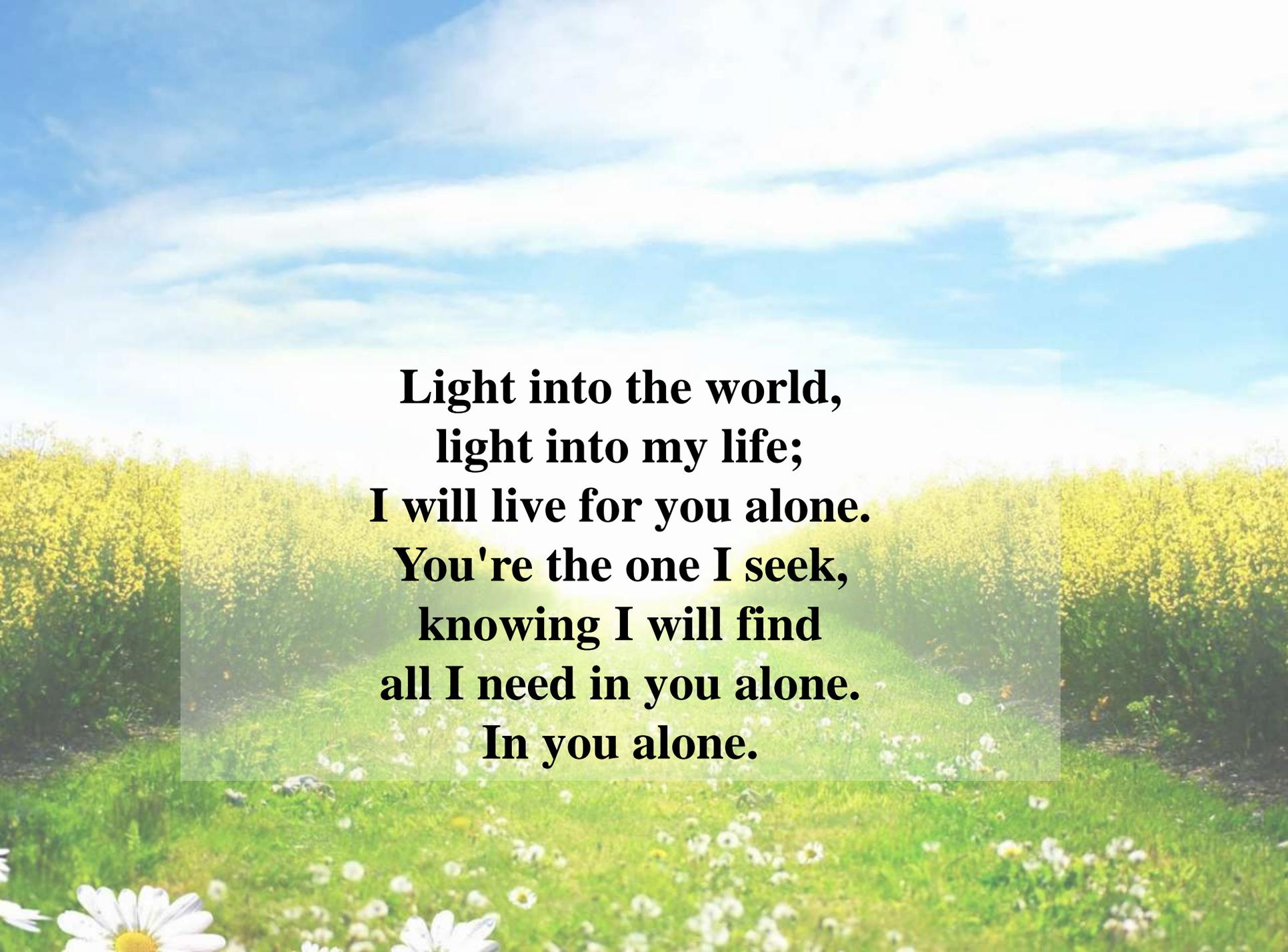
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Where you stay, I'll stay;
When you move, I'll move.
I will follow you.**

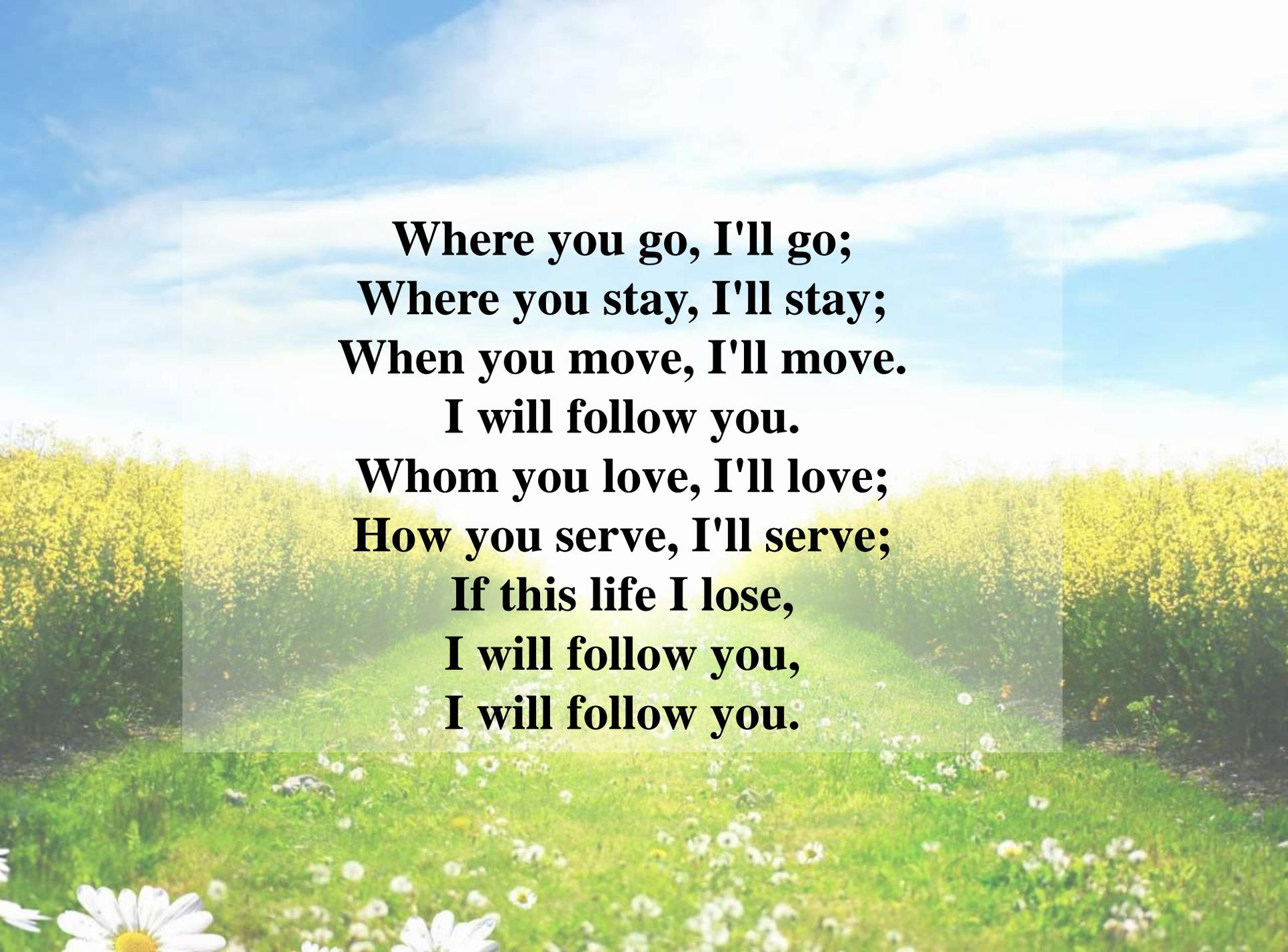
**All your ways are good,
all your ways are sure;
I will trust in you alone.
Higher than my sight,
high above my life;
I will trust in you alone.**



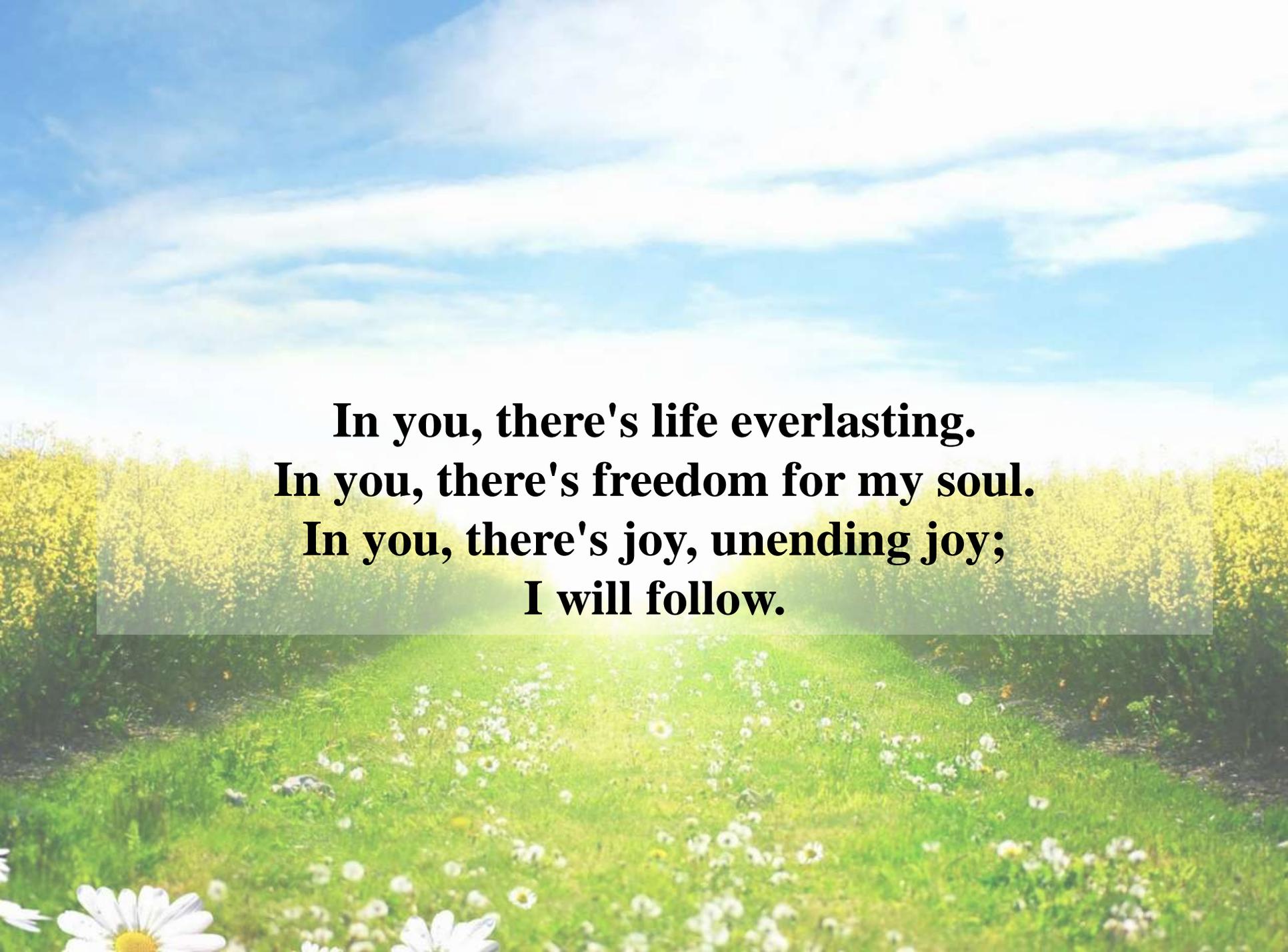
**Where you go, I'll go;
Where you stay, I'll stay;
When you move, I'll move.
I will follow you.
Whom you love, I'll love;
How you serve, I'll serve;
If this life I lose,
I will follow you,
I will follow you.**



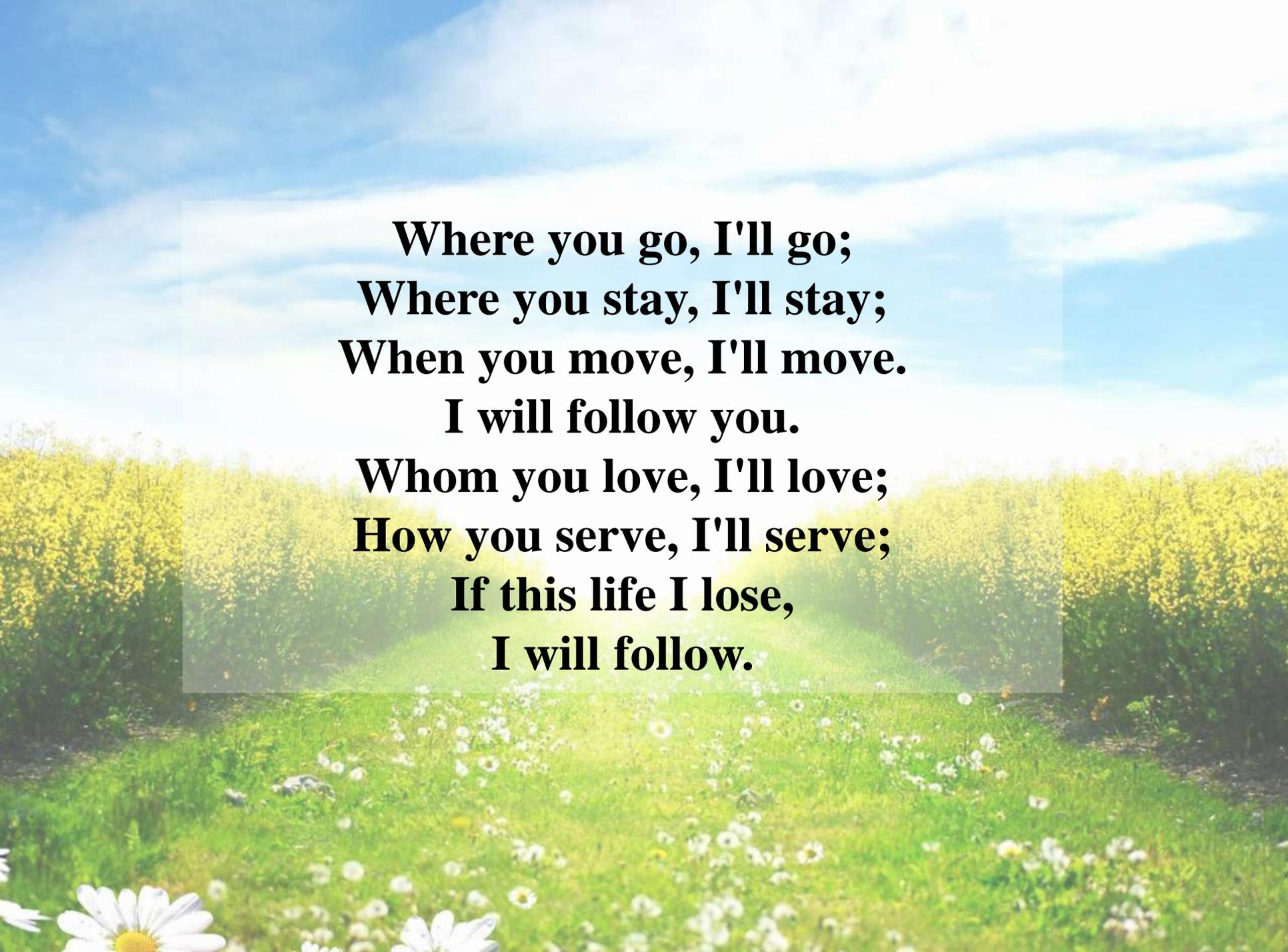
**Light into the world,
light into my life;
I will live for you alone.
You're the one I seek,
knowing I will find
all I need in you alone.
In you alone.**



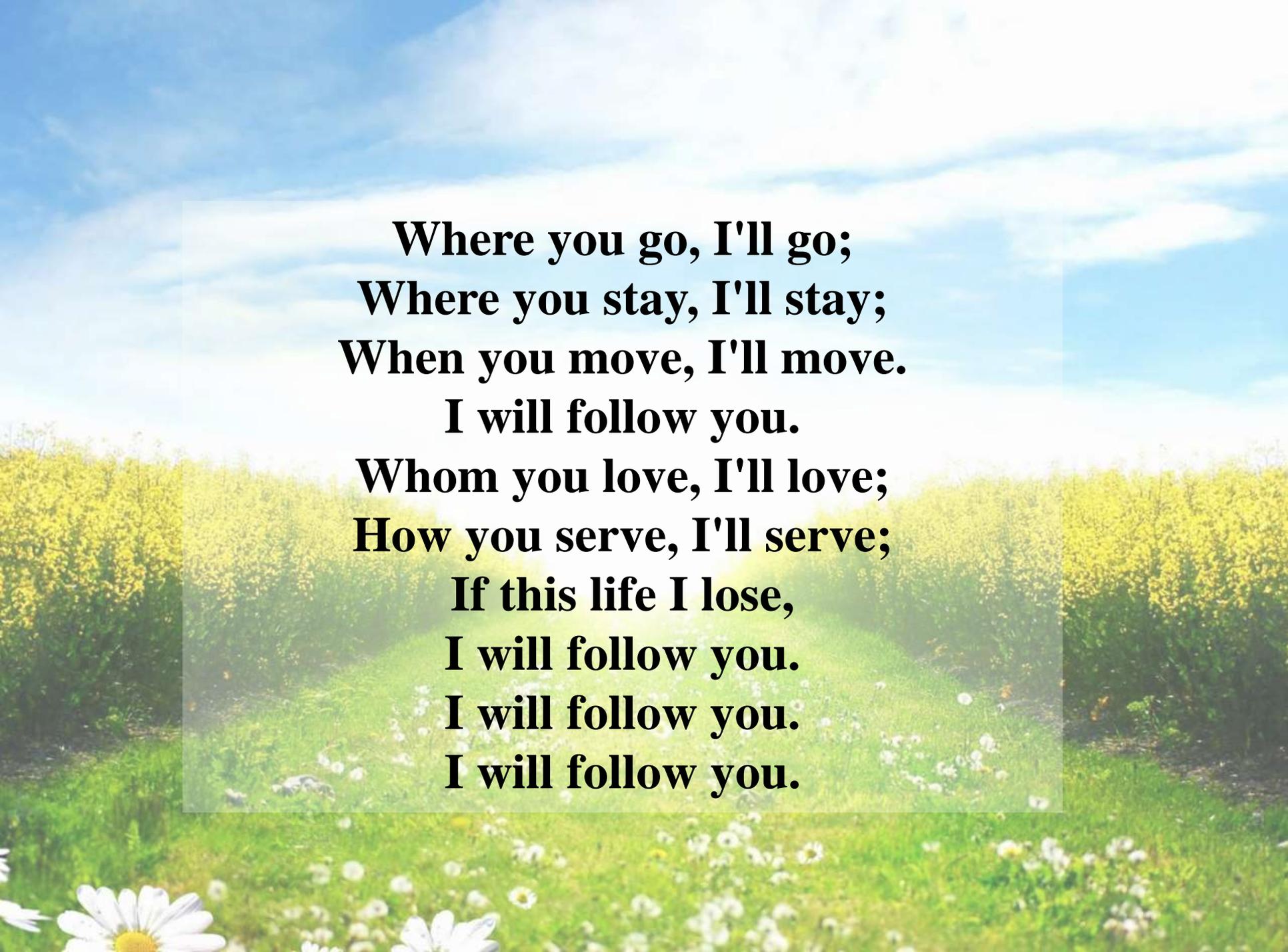
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**In you, there's life everlasting.
In you, there's freedom for my soul.
In you, there's joy, unending joy;
I will follow.**

The background of the image is a vibrant, natural scene. At the top, a bright blue sky is filled with soft, white clouds. Below the sky, a path of yellow flowers, likely rapeseed, stretches into the distance. In the foreground, a lush green field is covered with numerous white daisies. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and hopeful.

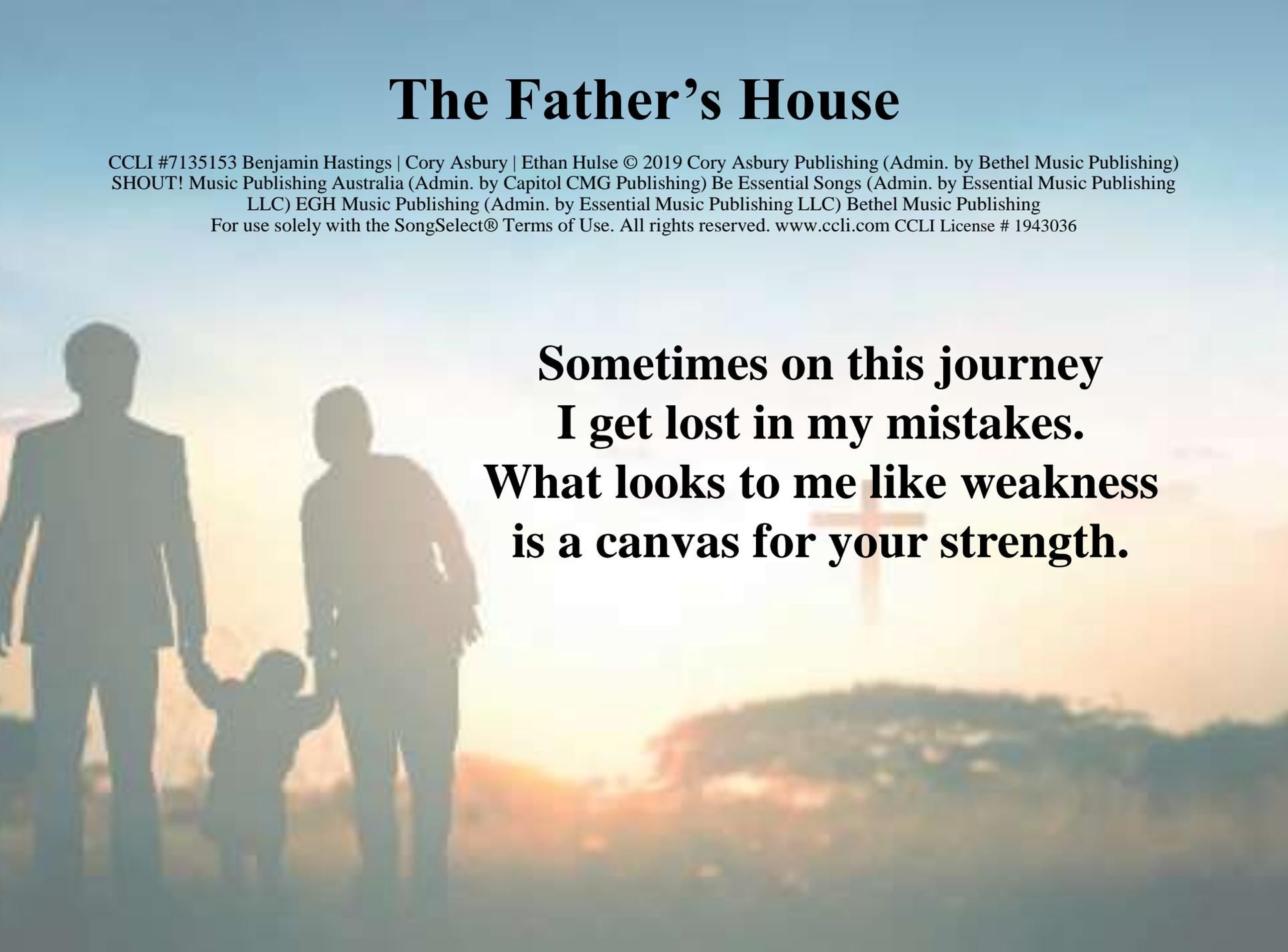
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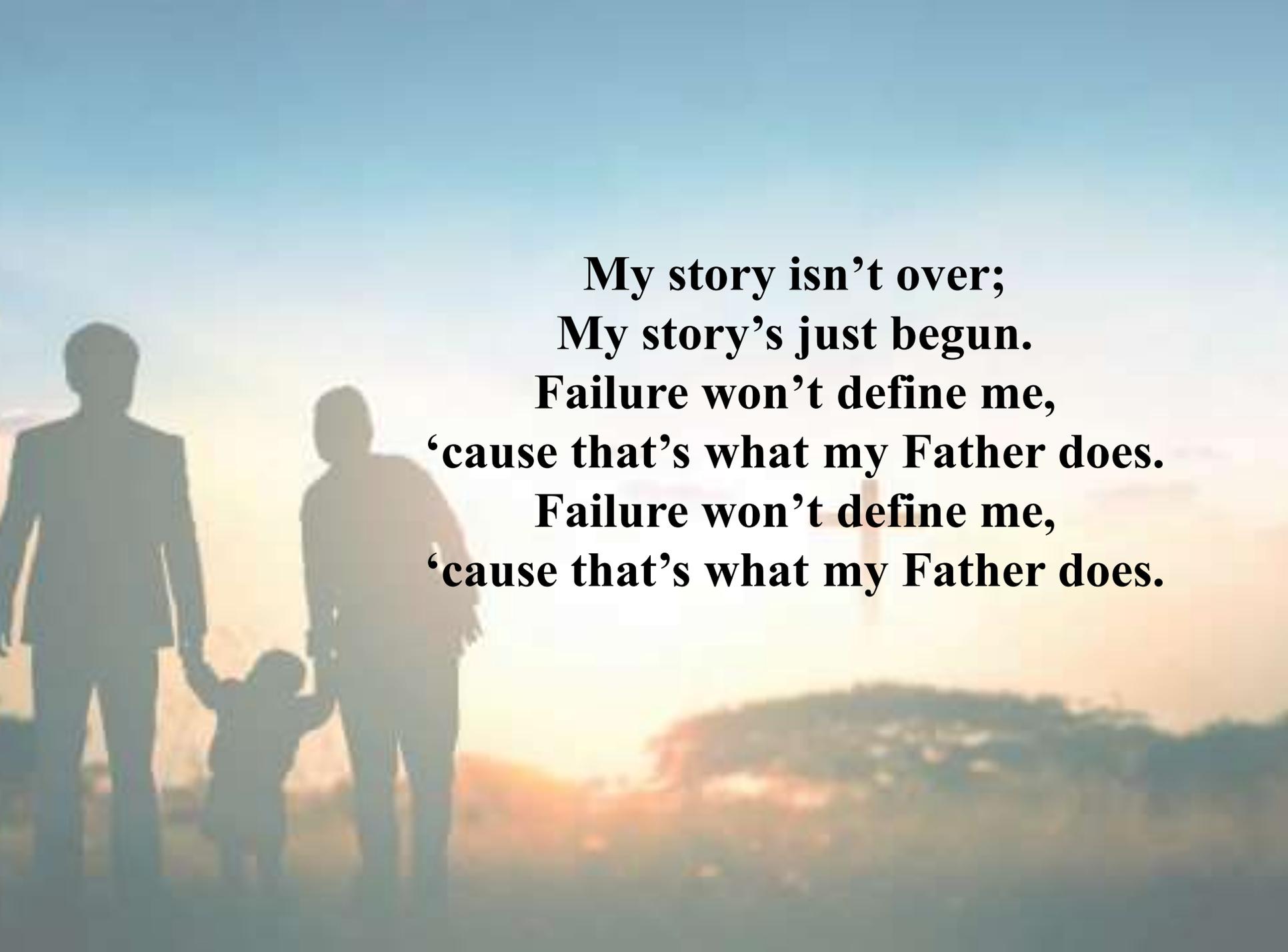
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The Father's House

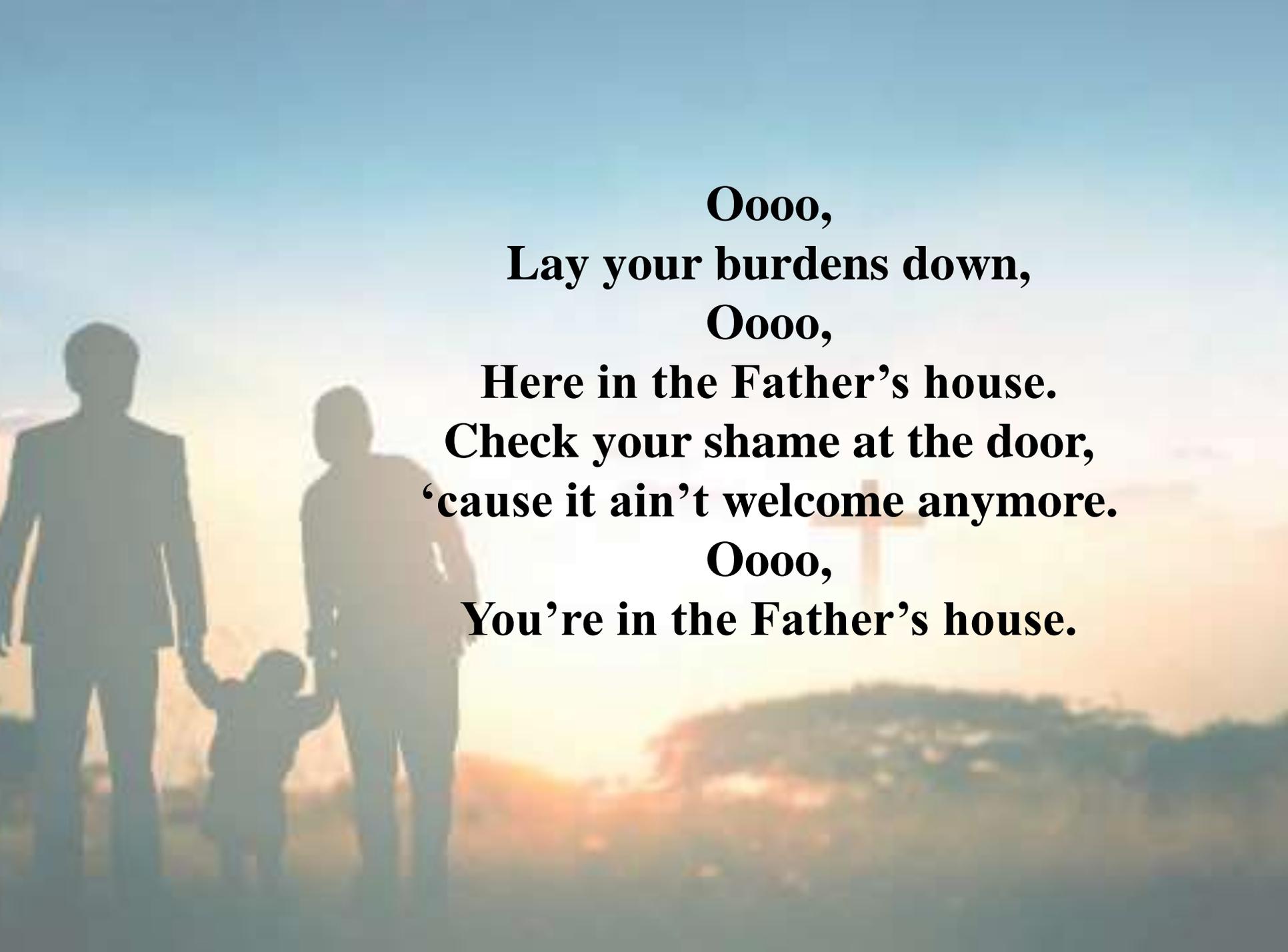
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The background of the slide features a soft-focus sunset scene. In the foreground, the silhouettes of a man, a woman, and a small child are visible, walking together and holding hands. The child is being held up by the man and woman. In the background, a large, faint cross is visible against the bright, hazy sky. The overall mood is peaceful and spiritual.

**Sometimes on this journey
I get lost in my mistakes.
What looks to me like weakness
is a canvas for your strength.**

The background of the image shows the silhouettes of a family—a man, a woman, and a child—walking away from the viewer towards a bright sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow that fills the sky and reflects on the ground. The family members are holding hands, and their forms are dark against the bright light of the setting sun. The overall mood is peaceful and hopeful.

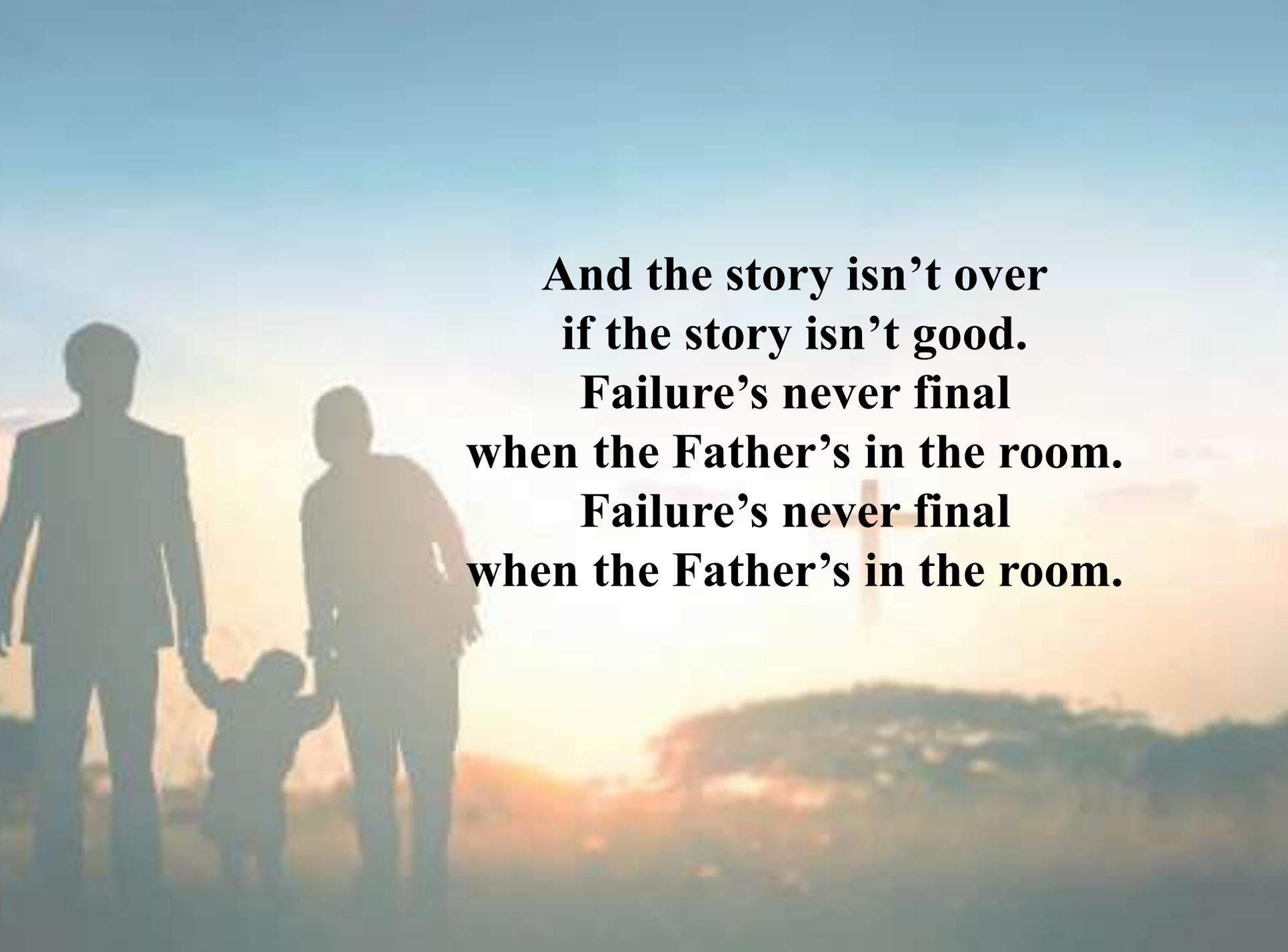
**My story isn't over;
My story's just begun.
Failure won't define me,
'cause that's what my Father does.
Failure won't define me,
'cause that's what my Father does.**

The background of the image features a soft, hazy sunset or sunrise sky. In the lower-left foreground, the dark silhouettes of a man, a woman, and a small child are visible, holding hands. In the middle ground, a large, faint silhouette of a cross is visible against the bright light of the sun.

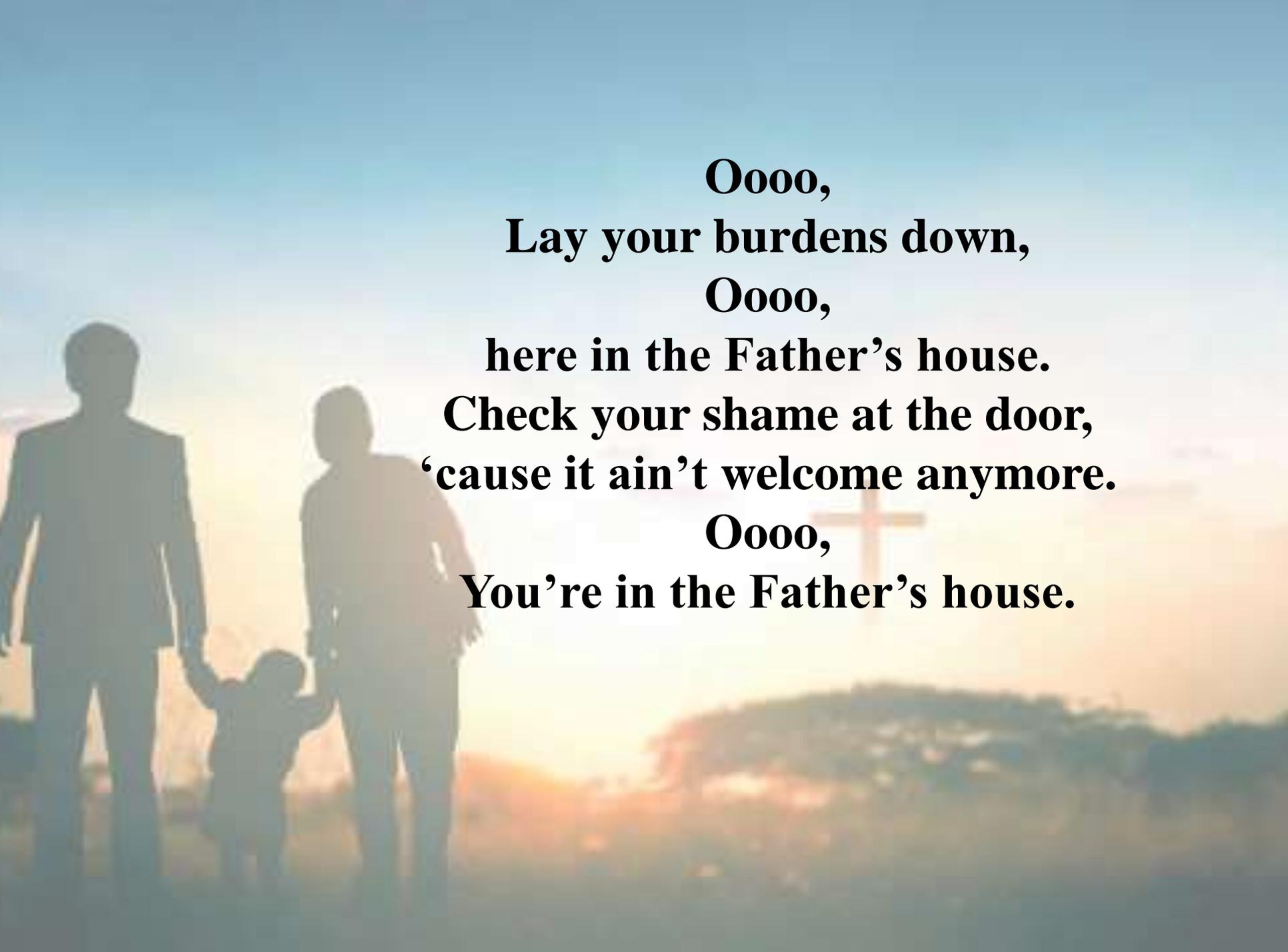
**Oooo,
Lay your burdens down,
Oooo,
Here in the Father's house.
Check your shame at the door,
'cause it ain't welcome anymore.
Oooo,
You're in the Father's house.**



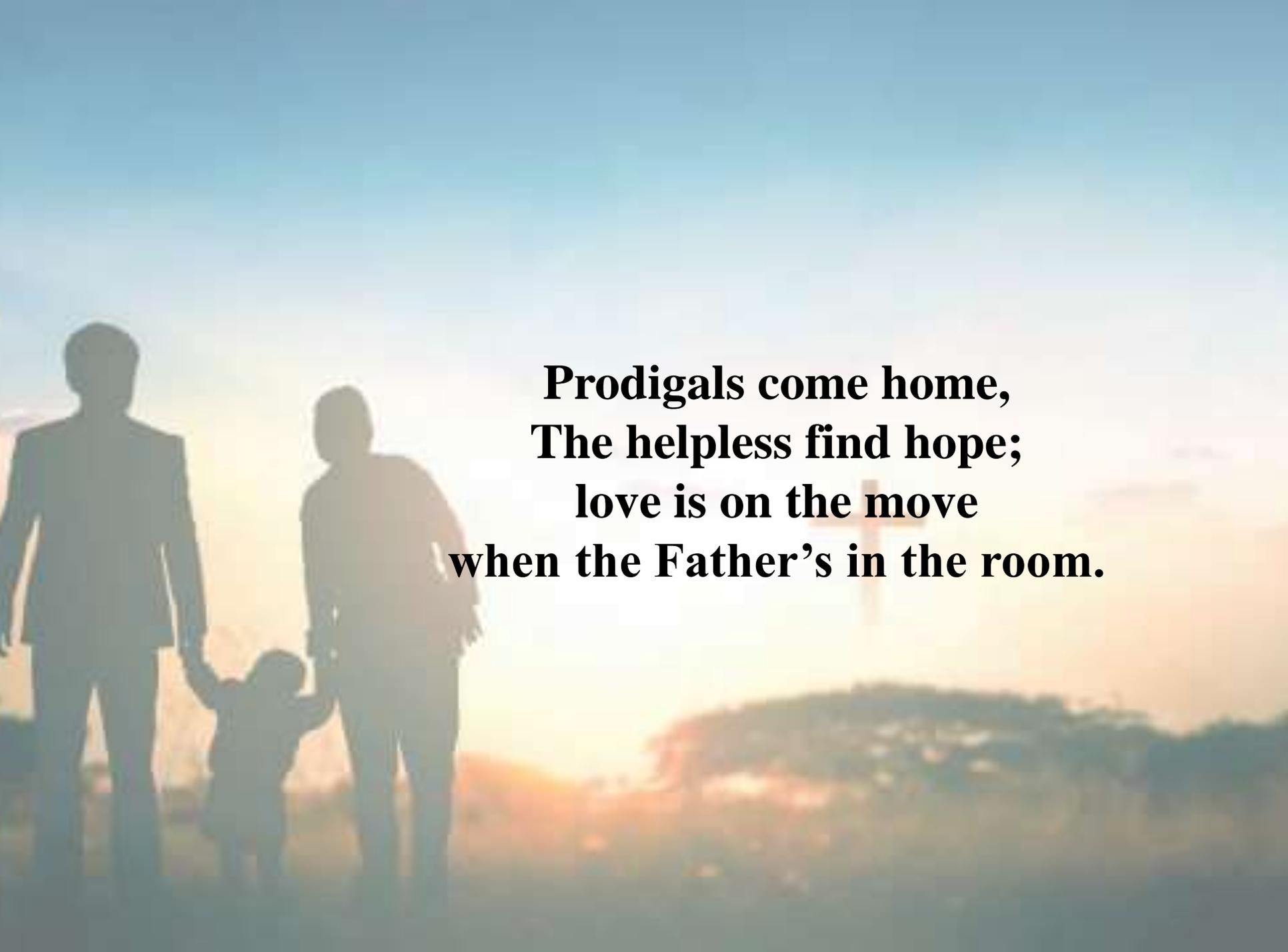
**Arrival's not the endgame;
The journey's where you are.
You never wanted perfect;
You just wanted my heart.**



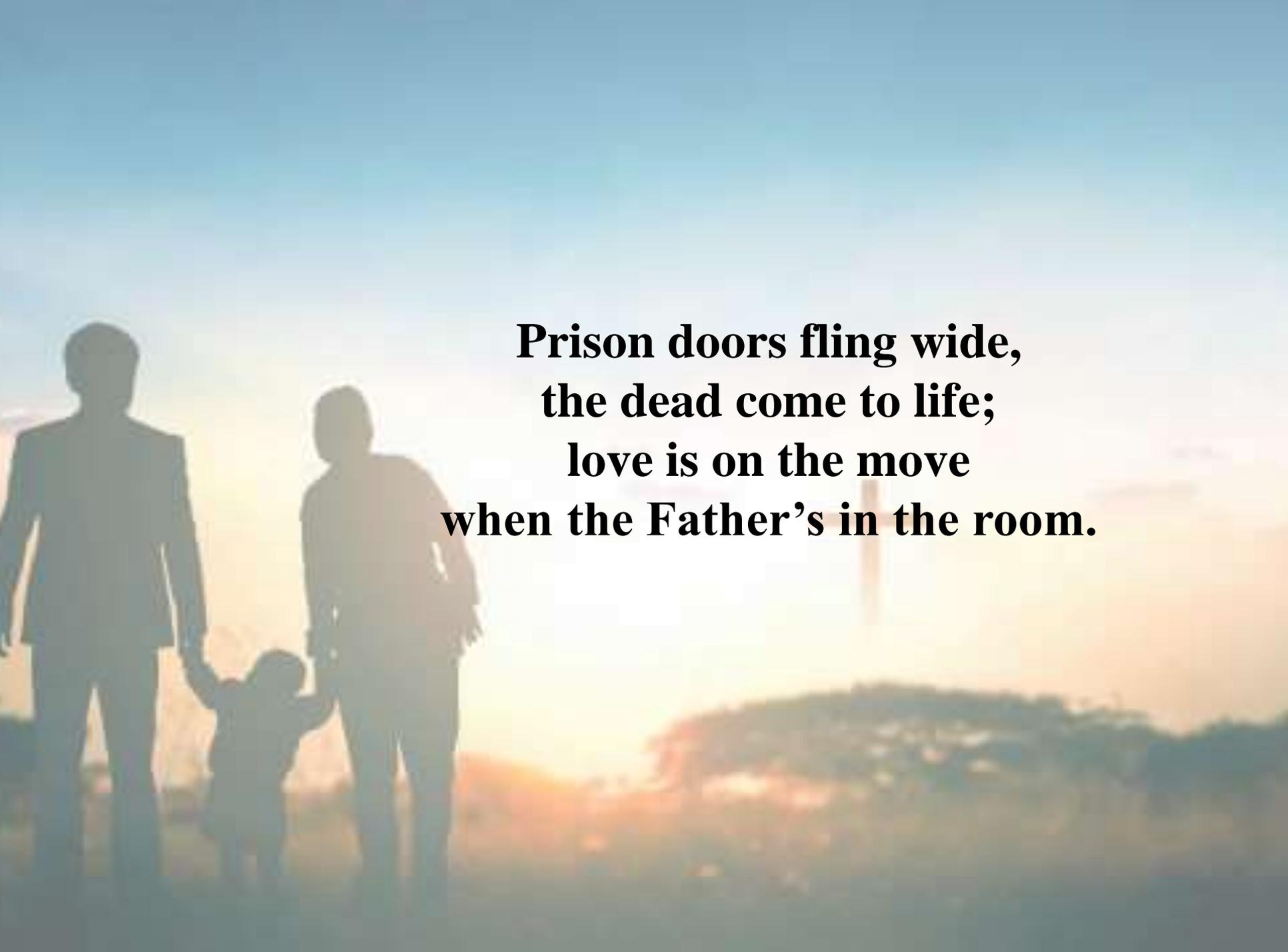
**And the story isn't over
if the story isn't good.
Failure's never final
when the Father's in the room.
Failure's never final
when the Father's in the room.**

The background of the image features a soft, warm sunset or sunrise sky. In the foreground, the silhouettes of a man, a woman, and a small child are visible, holding hands. To the right, a faint silhouette of a cross is visible against the bright light of the sun.

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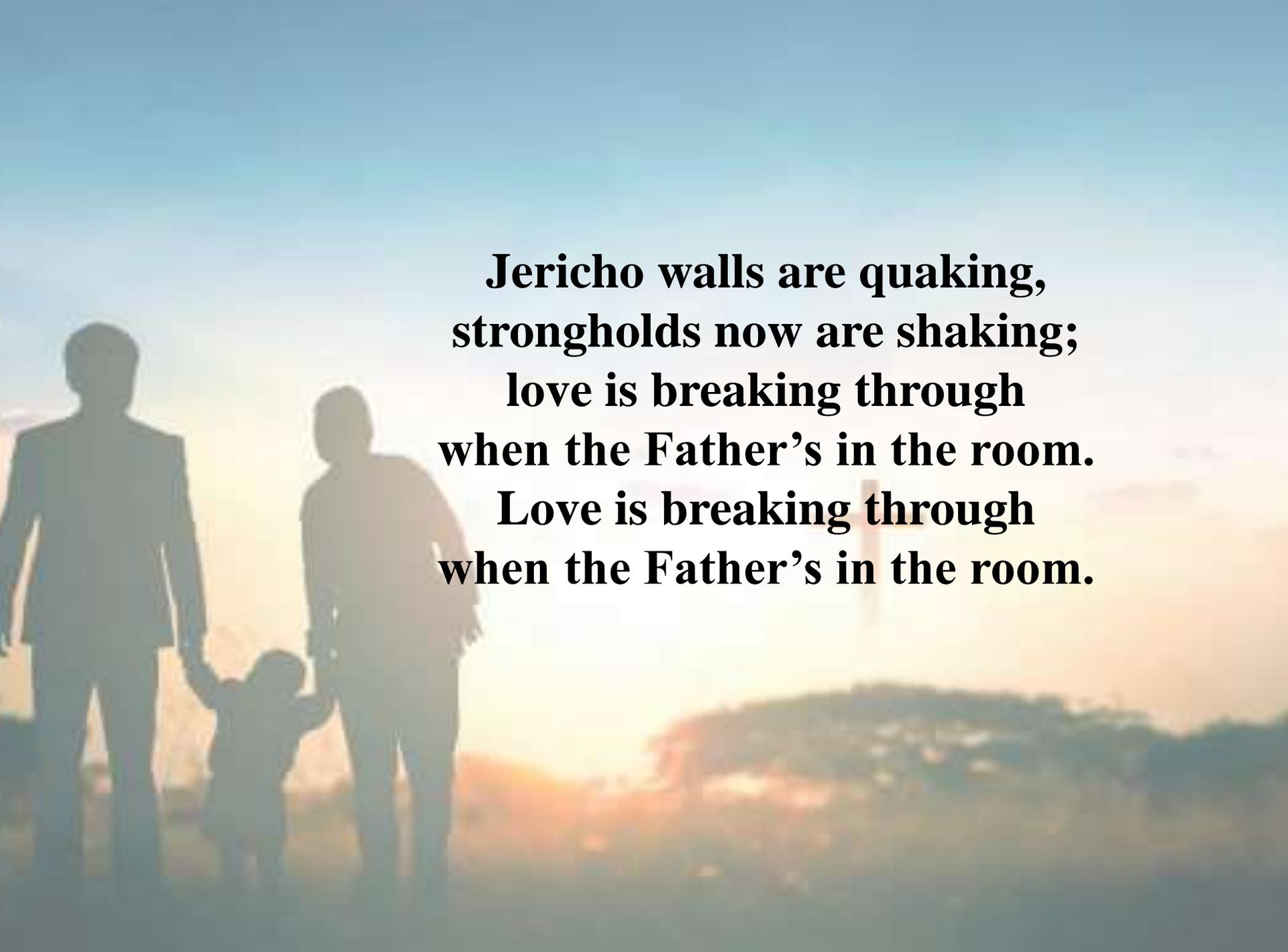
**Prodigals come home,
The helpless find hope;
love is on the move
when the Father's in the room.**

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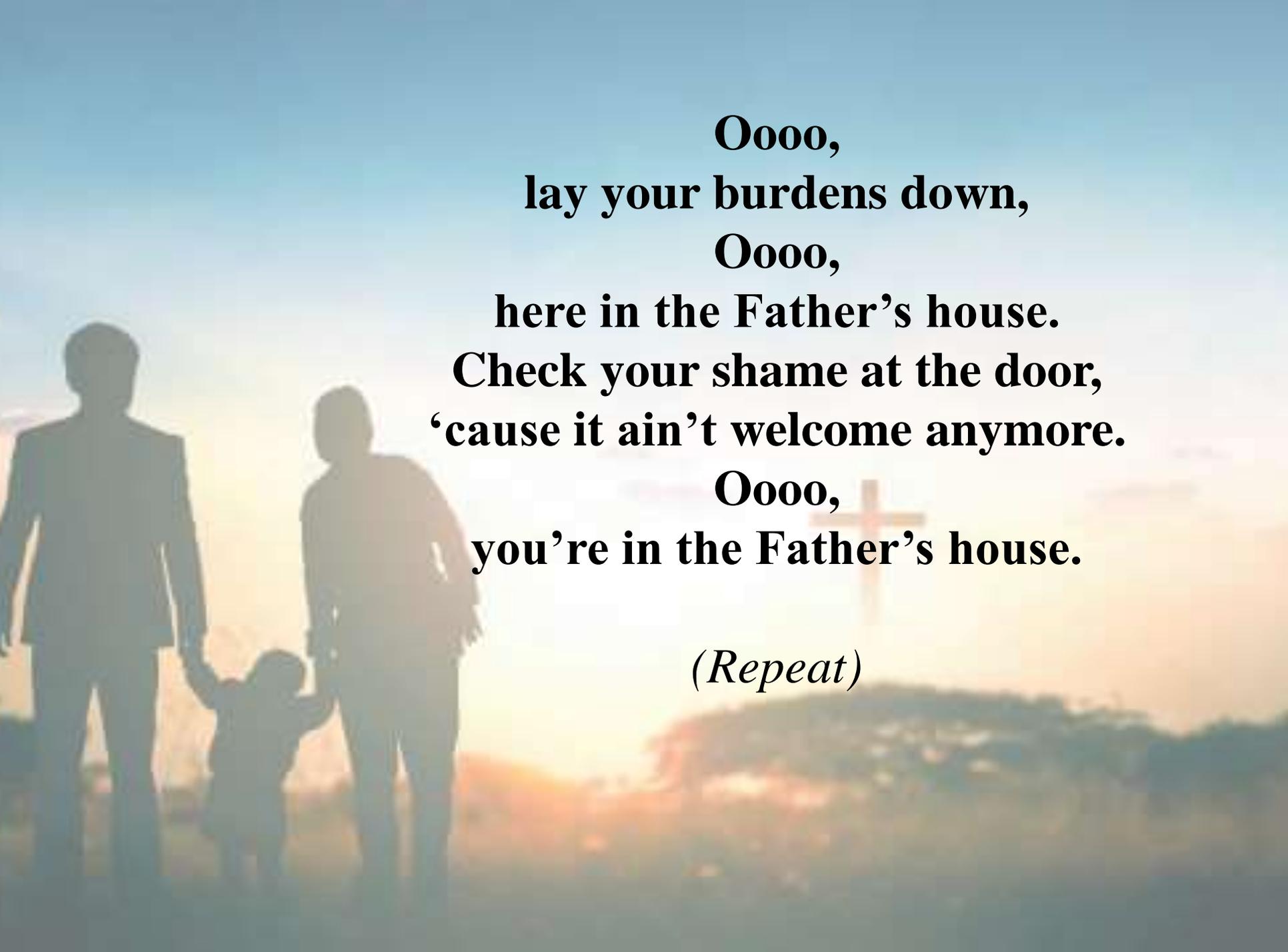
**Prison doors fling wide,
the dead come to life;
love is on the move
when the Father's in the room.**

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**Miracles take place,
the cynical find faith;
love is breaking through
when the Father's in the room.**

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**Jericho walls are quaking,
strongholds now are shaking;
love is breaking through
when the Father's in the room.
Love is breaking through
when the Father's in the room.**



**Oooo,
lay your burdens down,
Oooo,
here in the Father's house.
Check your shame at the door,
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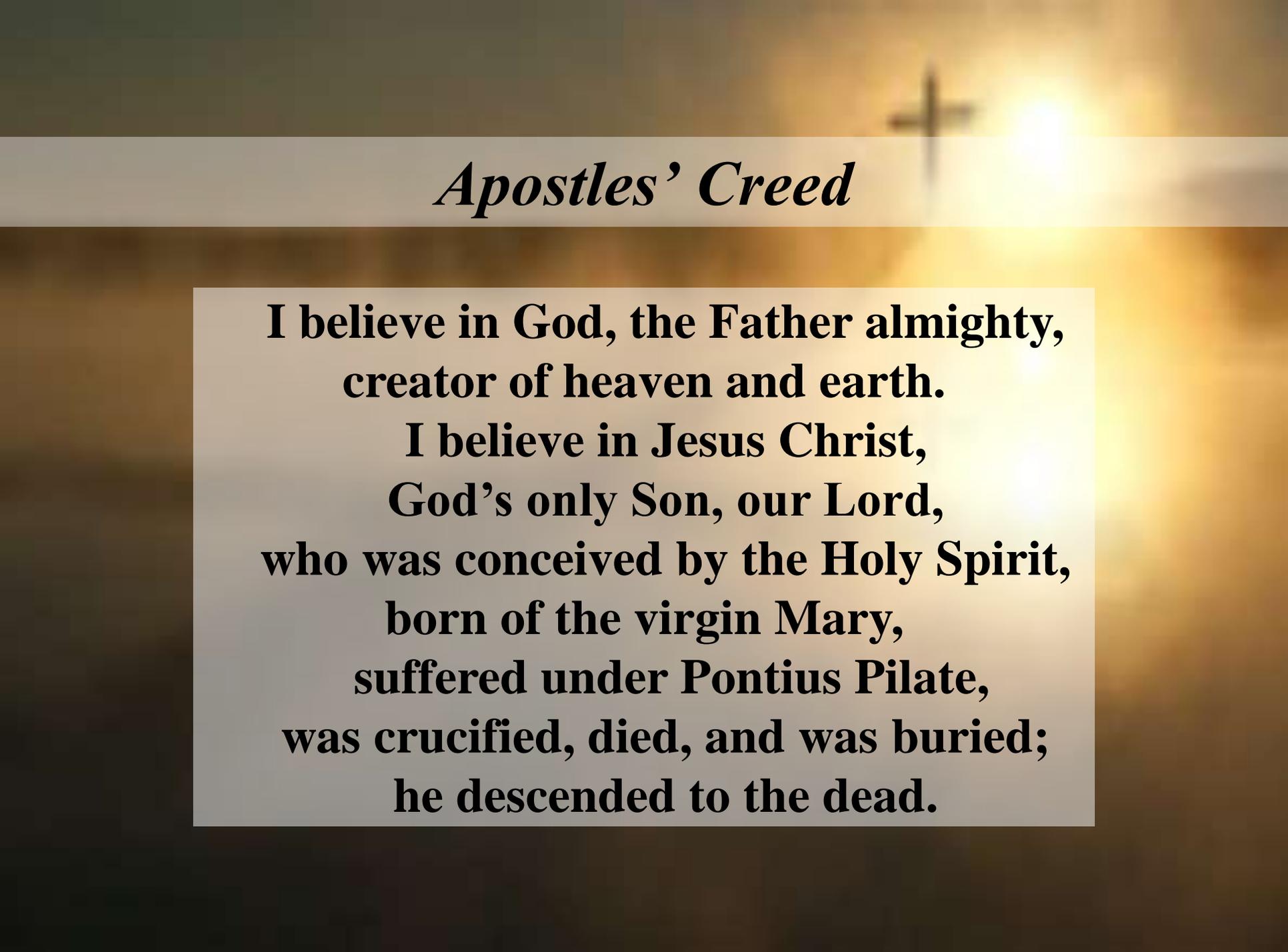
**Oooo,
you're in the Father's house.**

(Repeat)

Welcome



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Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Amen.

Opening Prayer



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Everything Glorious

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**The day is brighter here with you,
the night is lighter than its hue,
would lead me to believe,
which leads me to believe:**

**You make ev'rything glorious,
You make ev'rything glorious,
You make ev'rything glorious,
and I am yours (what does that make me?)**

**My eyes are small but they have seen,
the beauty of enormous things,
which leads me to believe,
there's light enough to see that:**

**You make ev'rything glorious,
you make ev'rything glorious,
you make ev'rything glorious,
and I am yours.**

**From glory to glory,
you are glorious, you are glorious.
From glory to glory,
you are glorious, you are glorious.
Which leads me to believe, why I can believe.**

**You make ev'rything glorious,
you make ev'rything glorious,
you make ev'rything glorious,
and I am yours.**

**You make ev'rything glorious,
you make ev'rything glorious,
you make ev'rything glorious,
and I am yours.**

Unison Prayer of Confession

L: ...Please join me in prayer.

All: O Holy One, we call to you and name you as eternal, ever-present, and boundless in love. Yet there are times, O God, when we fail to recognize you daily in our lives. Sometimes shame holds tightly around our hearts, and we hide our true feelings. Sometimes fear makes us small, and we miss the chance to speak from our strength.

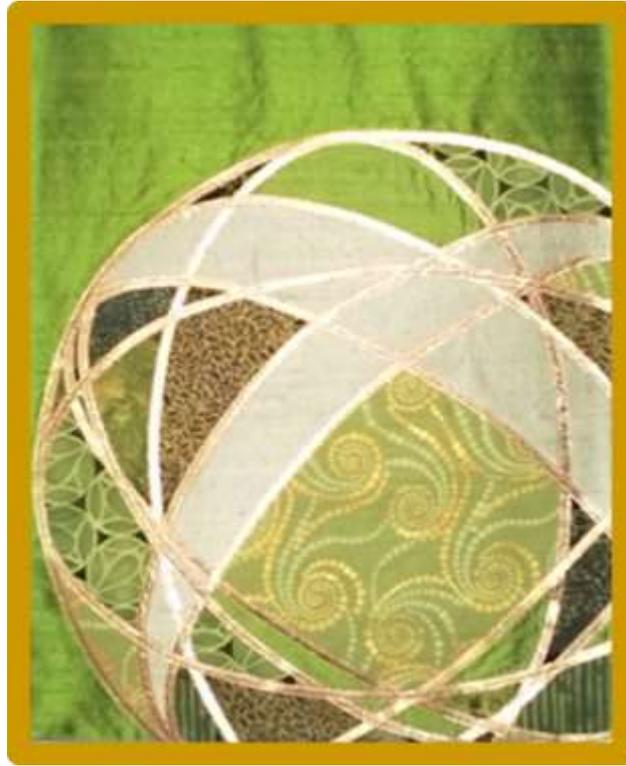
**All: Sometimes doubt invades our
hopefulness, and we degrade our
own wisdom. Holy God, every day,
from sunrise to sunset, remind us
again of your holy presence
hovering near us and in us. Free us
from shame and self-doubt. Help
us to see you in the moment-by-
moment possibilities and to live
honestly, to act courageously, and
to speak from our wisdom. Amen.**

(brief silence for reflection)

Assurance of Forgiveness

L: The good news is that Christ calls us to new life and enables us to begin again and again and again and again. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**



+ **WORD** +

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

L: The Holy Gospel
according to St. John,
the eighth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 8:31-36

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.”

³³They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?”

³⁴Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

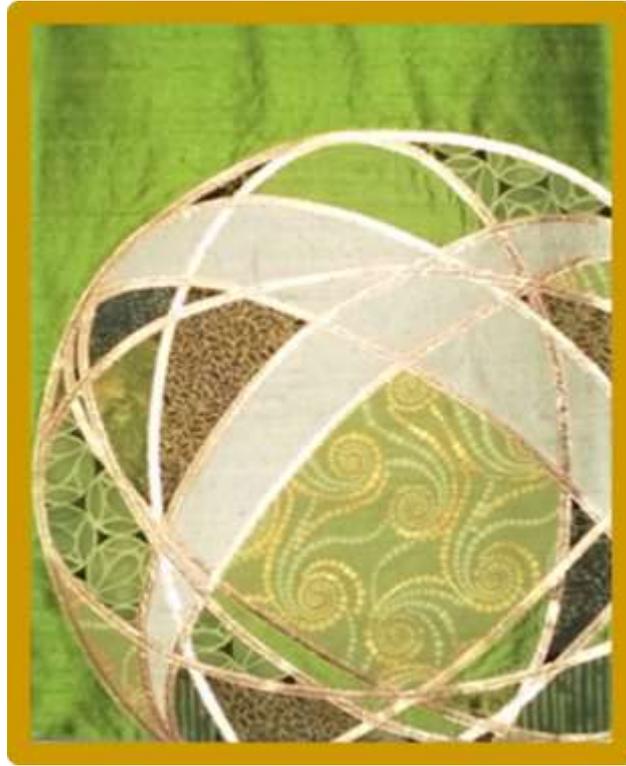
L: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Bishop Bill Tesch



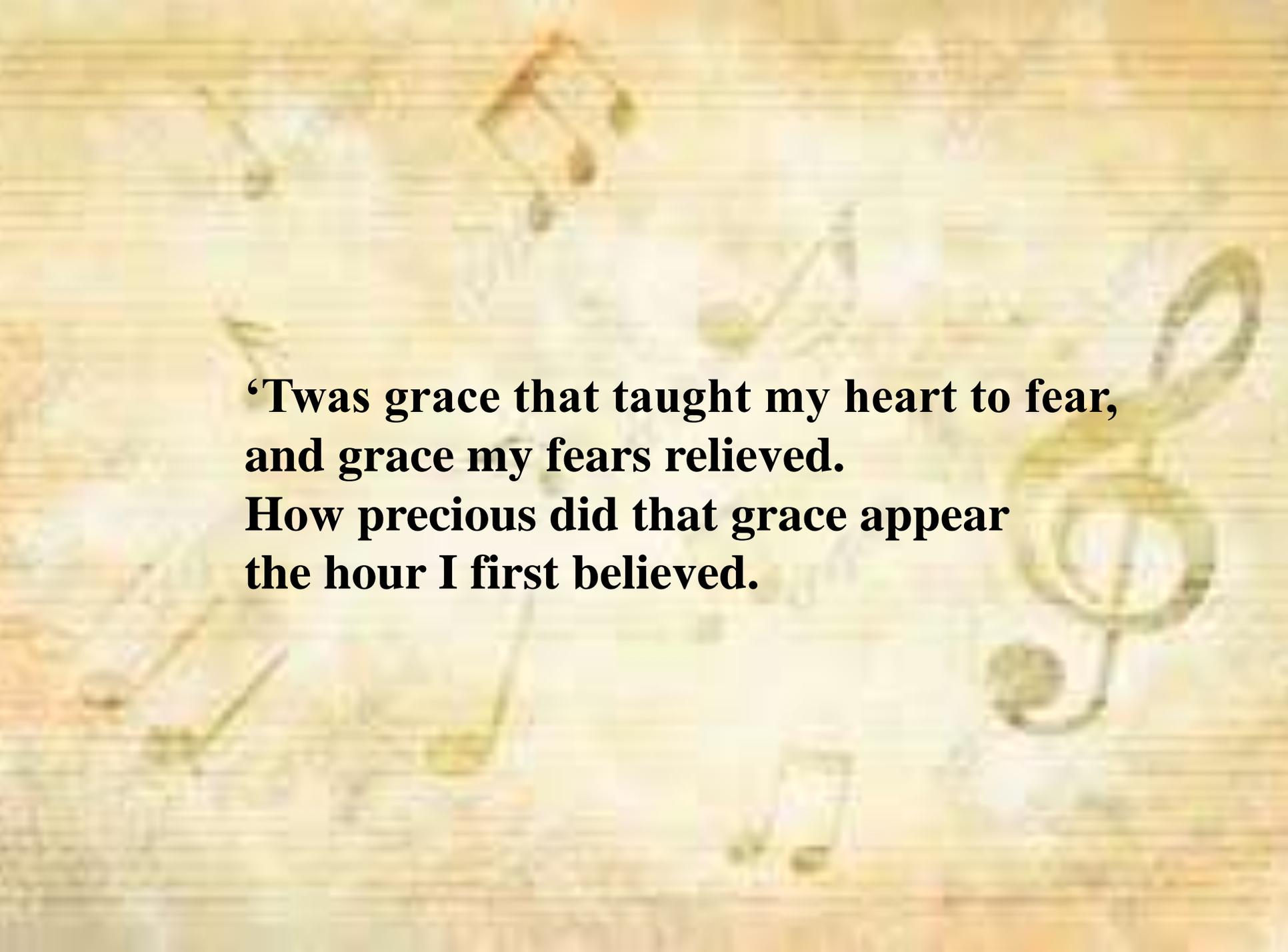


+ RESPONSE TO THE WORD +

Amazing Grace – My Chains Are Gone

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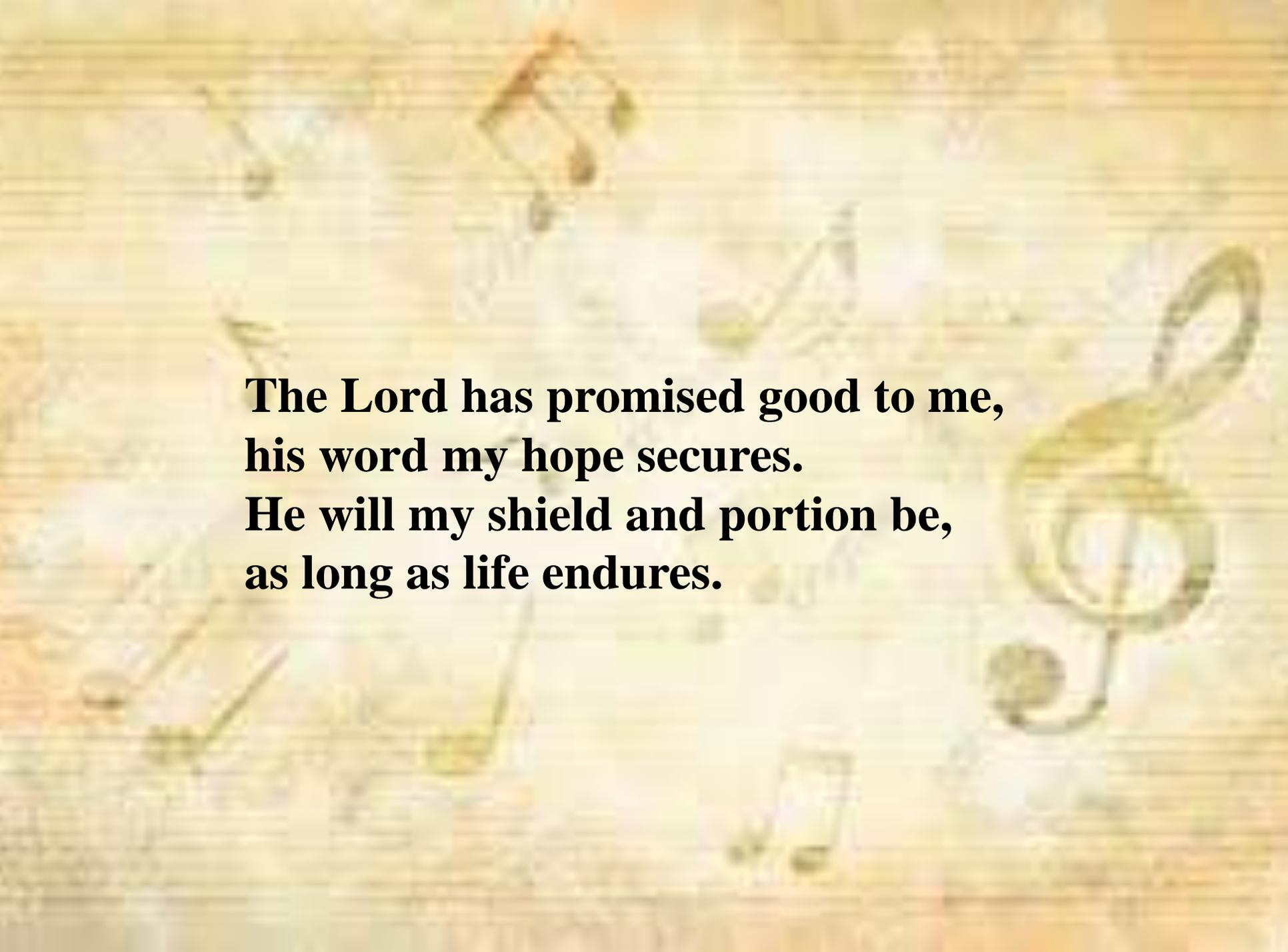
**Amazing grace how sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now am found
was blind but now I see.**

The background of the image is a collection of musical notes and staves on aged, yellowed paper. The notes are scattered across the page, with some being larger and more prominent than others. The overall aesthetic is that of a vintage or antique manuscript. The text is centered in the middle of the page, written in a bold, black, serif font.

**‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed.**

The background of the image is a collage of musical notation on aged, yellowed paper. It features several musical staves with various notes, including eighth and sixteenth notes, and a large, prominent treble clef on the right side. The overall aesthetic is that of an old, weathered manuscript or a collection of musical sketches.

**My chains are gone, I've been set free,
my God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood his mercy rains,
unending love, amazing grace.**

The background of the image consists of several horizontal musical staves. Scattered across these staves are various musical notes, including eighth notes, quarter notes, and a large treble clef on the right side. The notes and staves are rendered in a soft, faded, and slightly blurred style, creating a musical atmosphere. The overall color palette is warm and light, with shades of cream, yellow, and light brown.

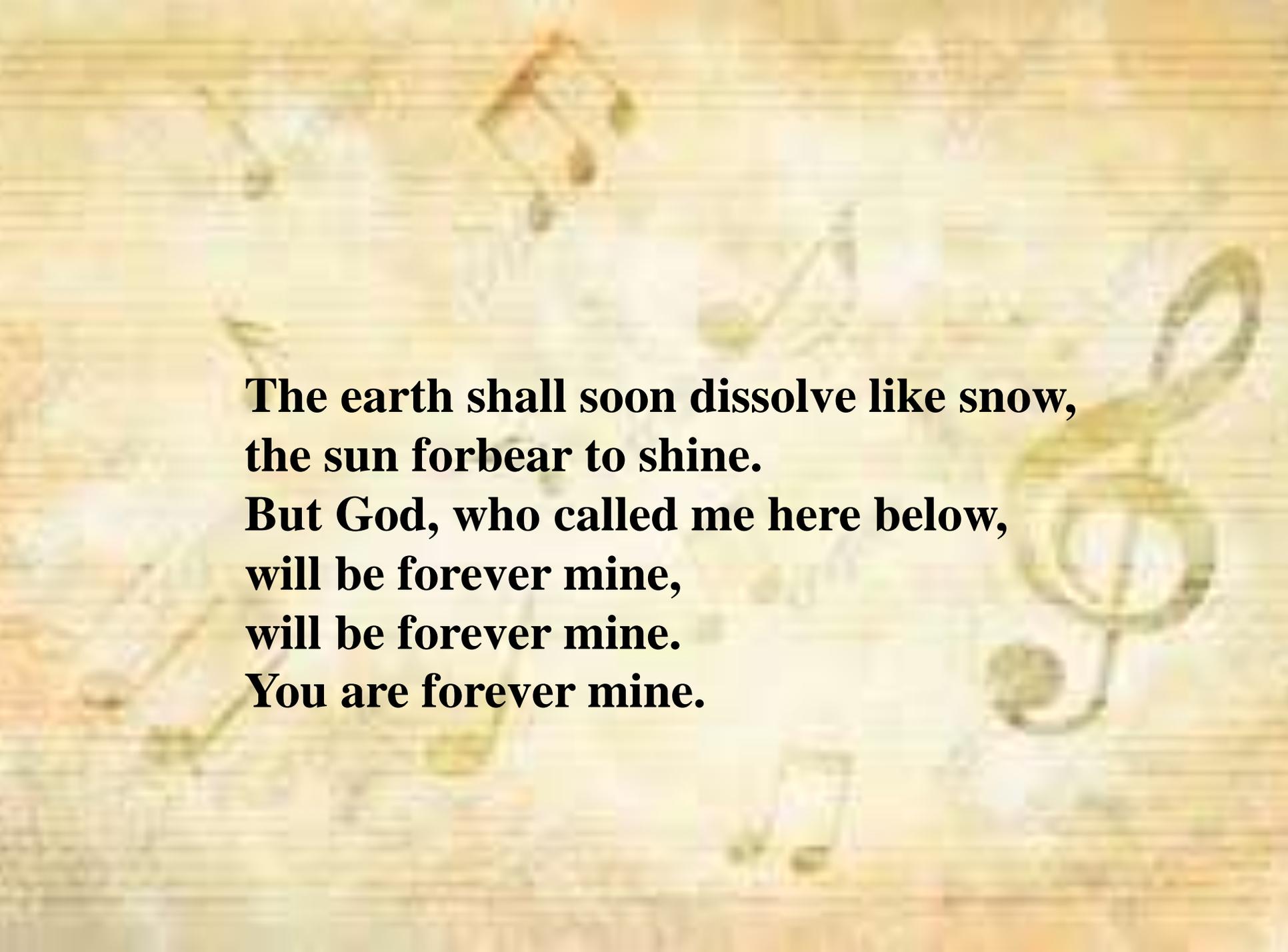
**The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be,
as long as life endures.**

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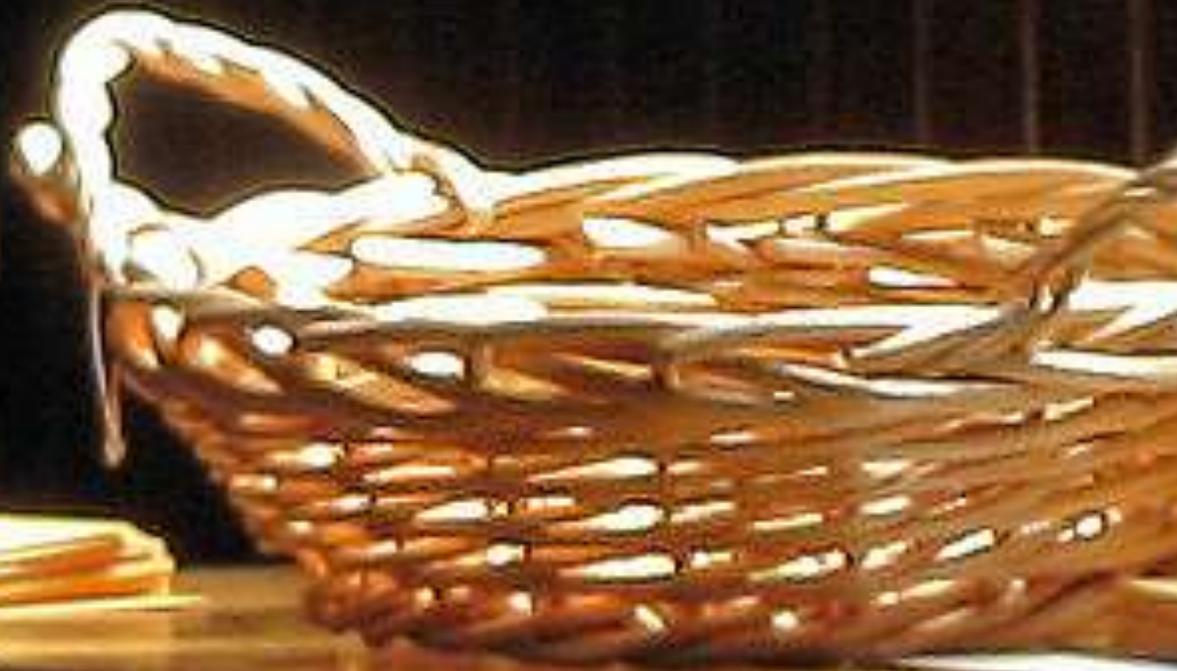
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**The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,
the sun forbear to shine.
But God, who called me here below,
will be forever mine,
will be forever mine.
You are forever mine.**

Offering



TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offering Prayer

- L:** Let us pray: O Lord, you lift us up and have blessed us with the ministry of this church. We thank you for all those who nurture us spiritually. We thank you for those who use their spiritual gifts to bless others. We give our tithes and offerings to you now, to support the ministry of this church in our community and worldwide.
- C: Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Response after each petition:

L: Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

L: With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

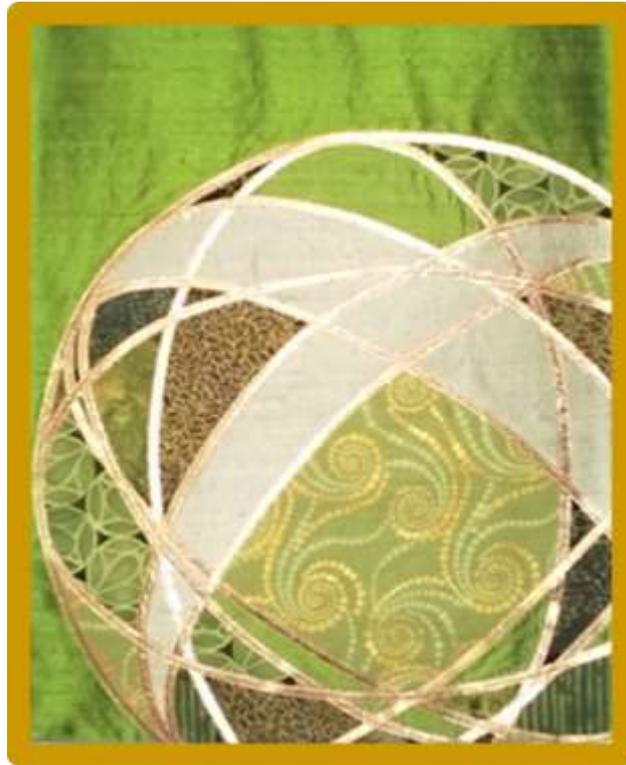
**Our Father, Who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

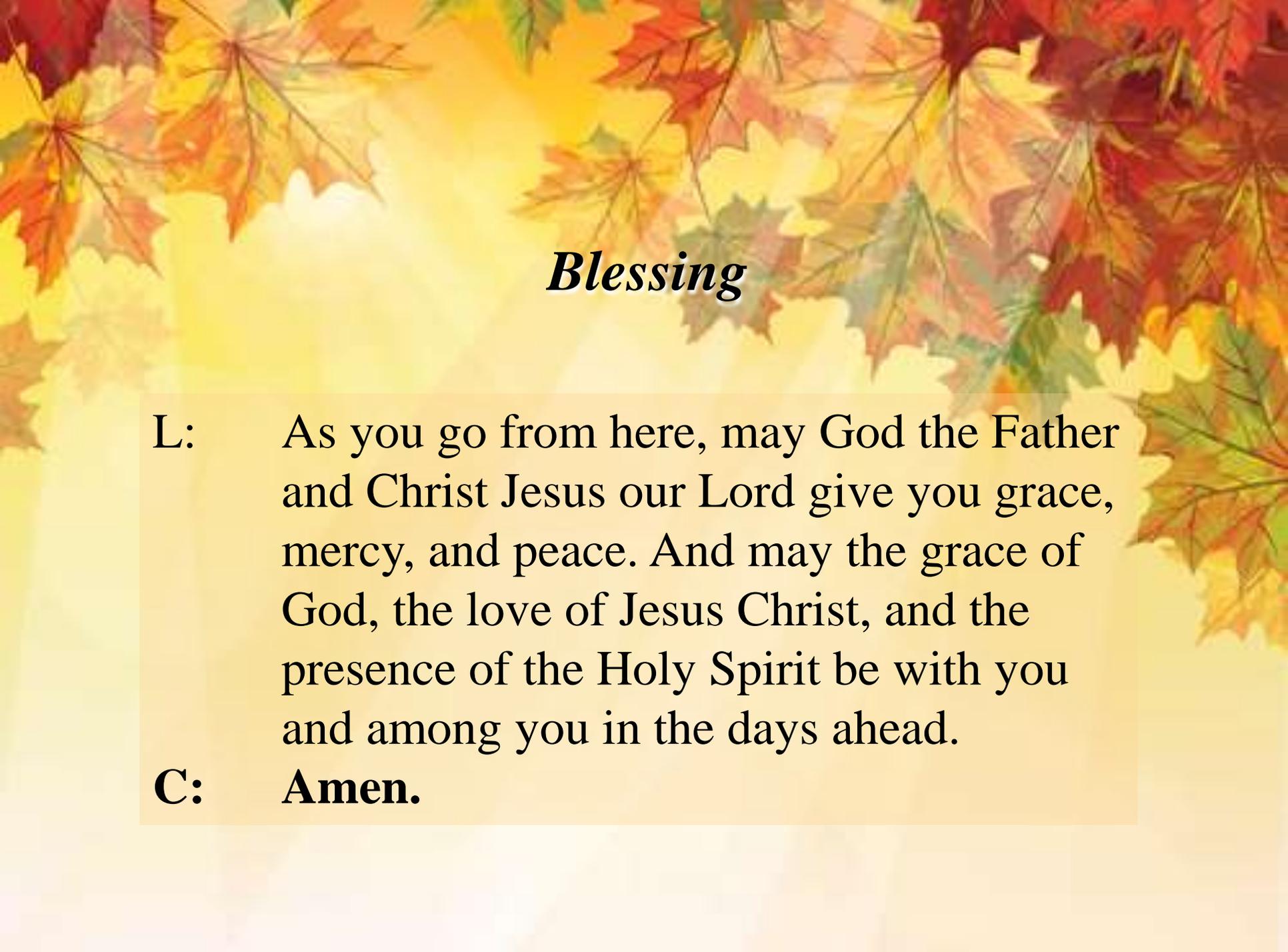
**Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**



+ **SENDING** +

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.



Blessing

L: As you go from here, may God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord give you grace, mercy, and peace. And may the grace of God, the love of Jesus Christ, and the presence of the Holy Spirit be with you and among you in the days ahead.

C: **Amen.**

Announcements



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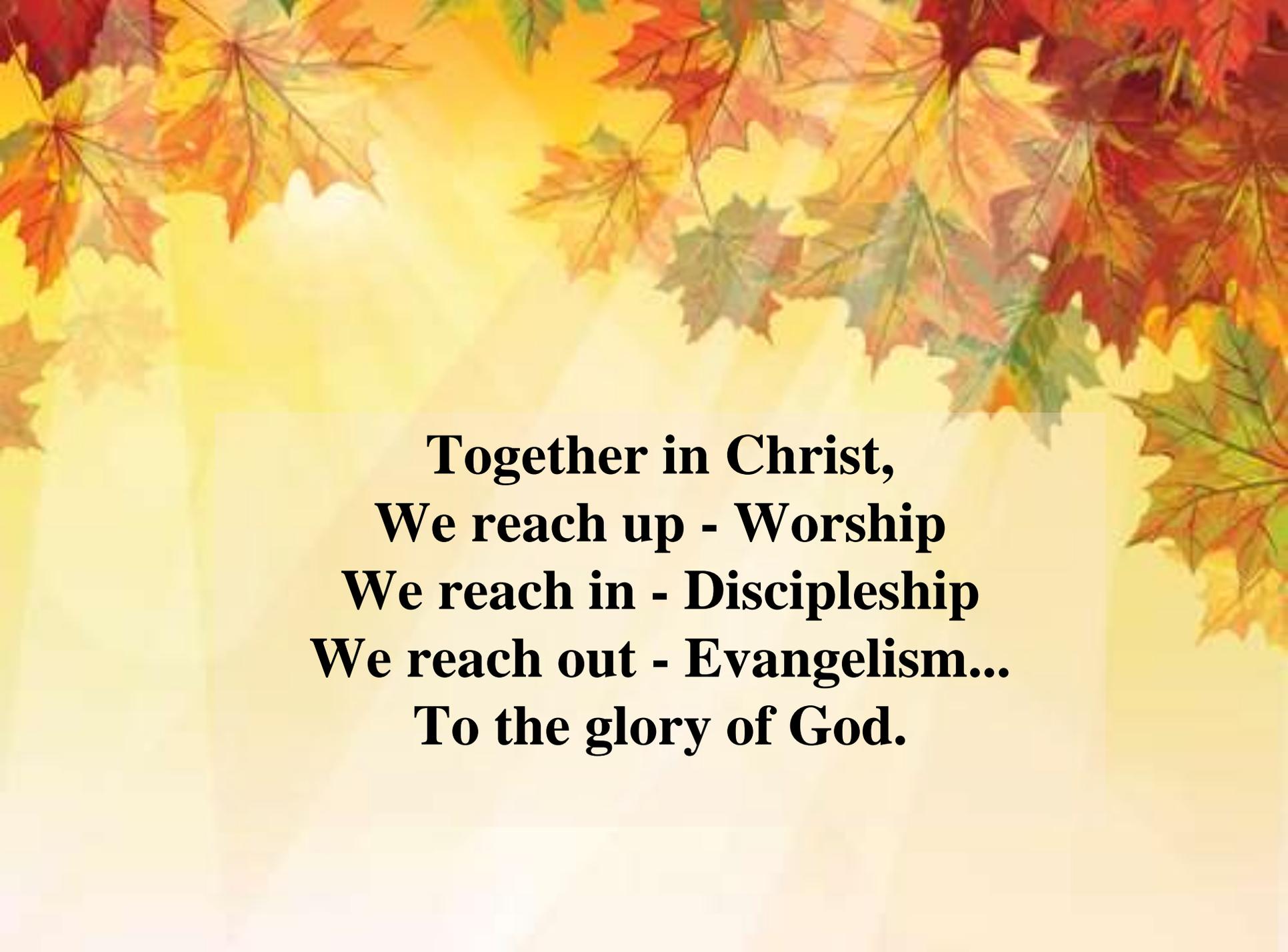


Prayer Threads Work Day Sunday, November 13

Calling all those who can knit, crochet, sew, or tie a knot!

Zion's supply of completed prayers threads is low, so on **Sunday, November 13, from 11:00 –2:00**, you are invited to join with fellow congregation members to work on shawls, lap blankets, pocket prayer quilts, and even your own project.

More details in the Messenger and eMessenger



**Together in Christ,
We reach up - Worship
We reach in - Discipleship
We reach out - Evangelism...
To the glory of God.**

Hope of the Nations

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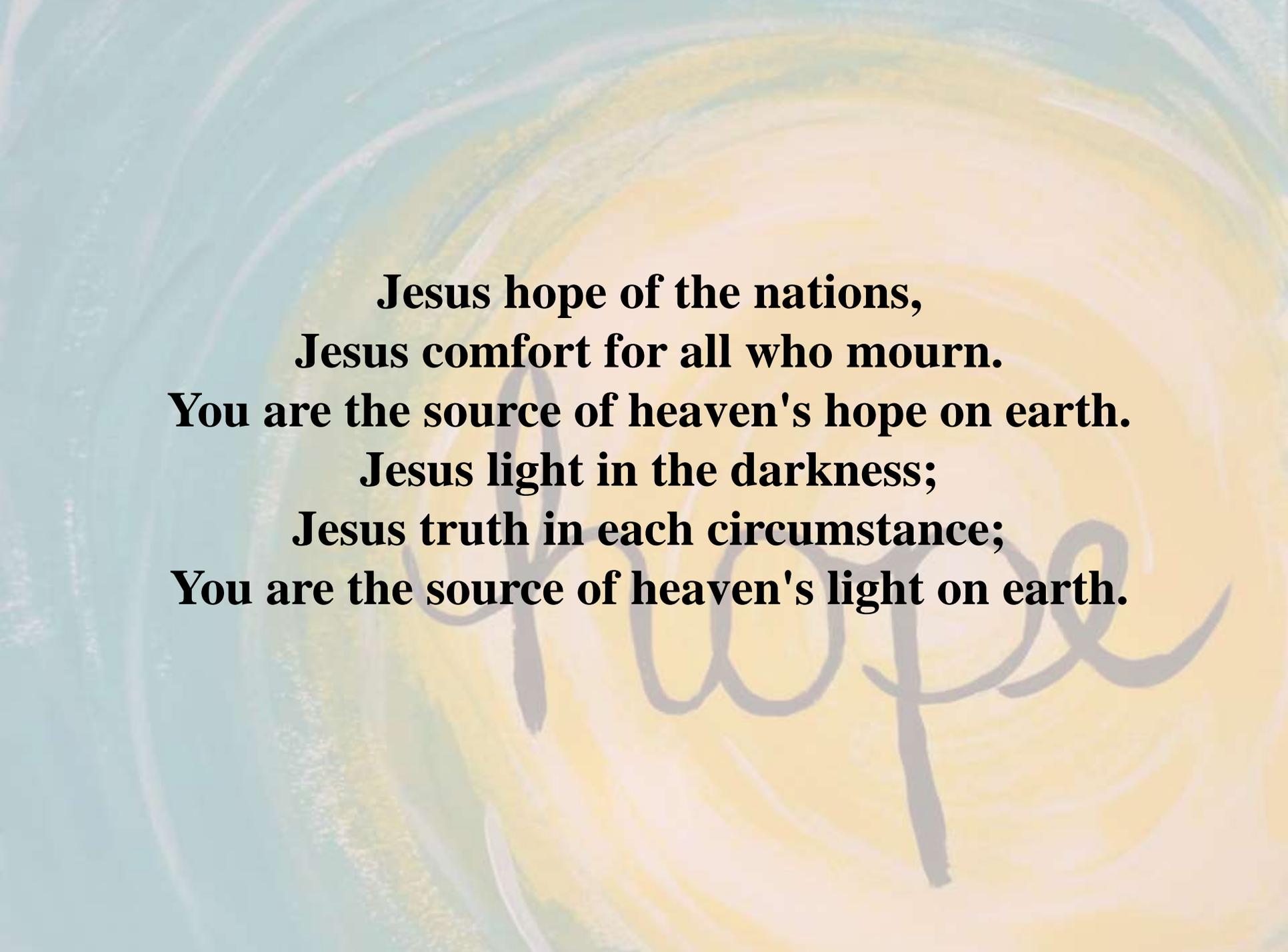
**Jesus hope of the nations,
Jesus, comfort for all who mourn;
You are the source of heaven's hope on earth;
Jesus, light in the darkness;
Jesus, truth in each circumstance;
You are the source of heaven's light on earth;**

**In history you lived and died;
You broke the chains, you rose to life,
you are the hope living in us;
You are the rock in whom we trust;
You are the light, shining for all the world to see;**

hope

**You rose from the dead, conquering fear,
our prince of peace drawing us near;
Jesus our hope,
living for all who will receive;
Lord we believe.**

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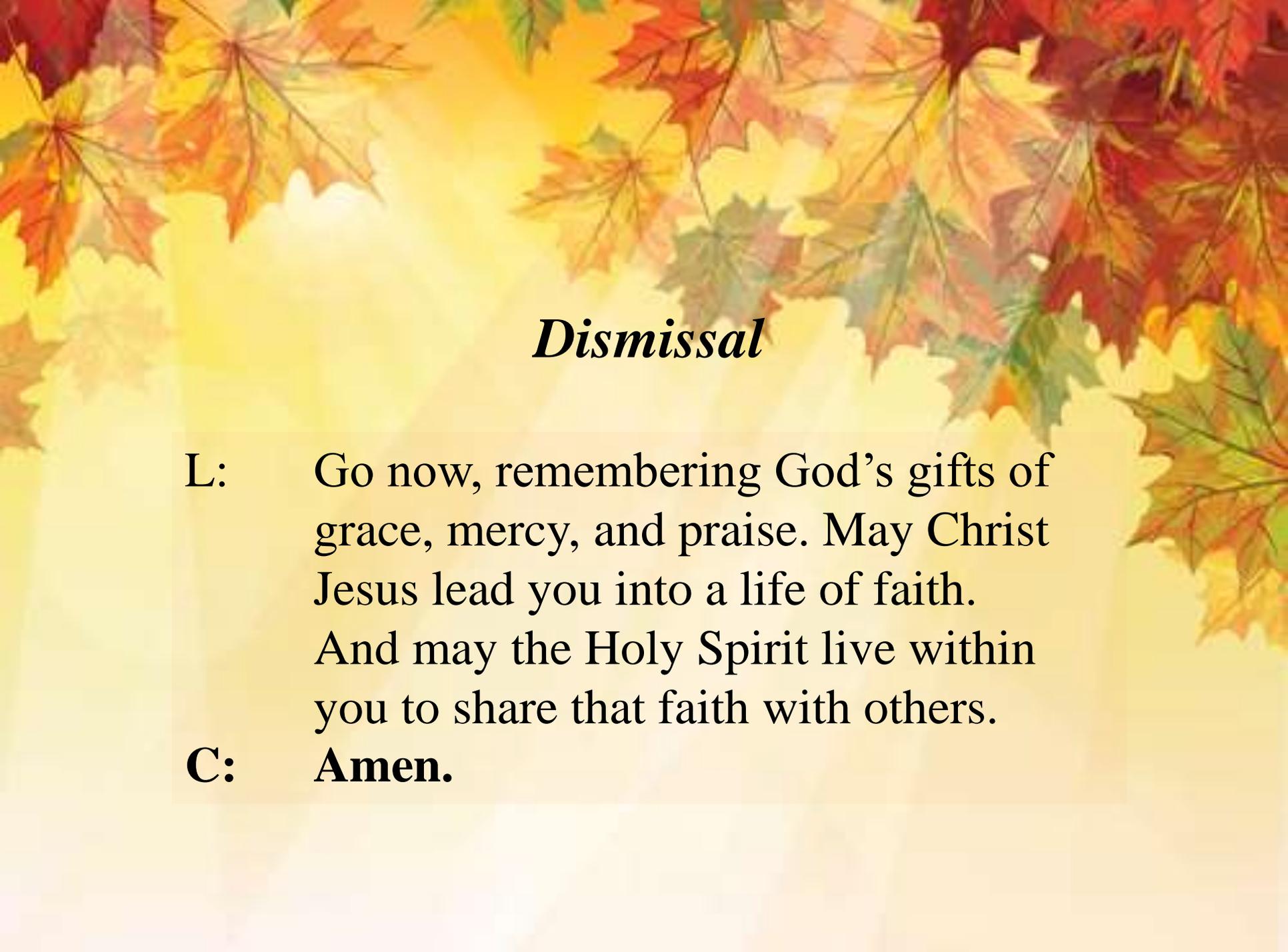
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Hope



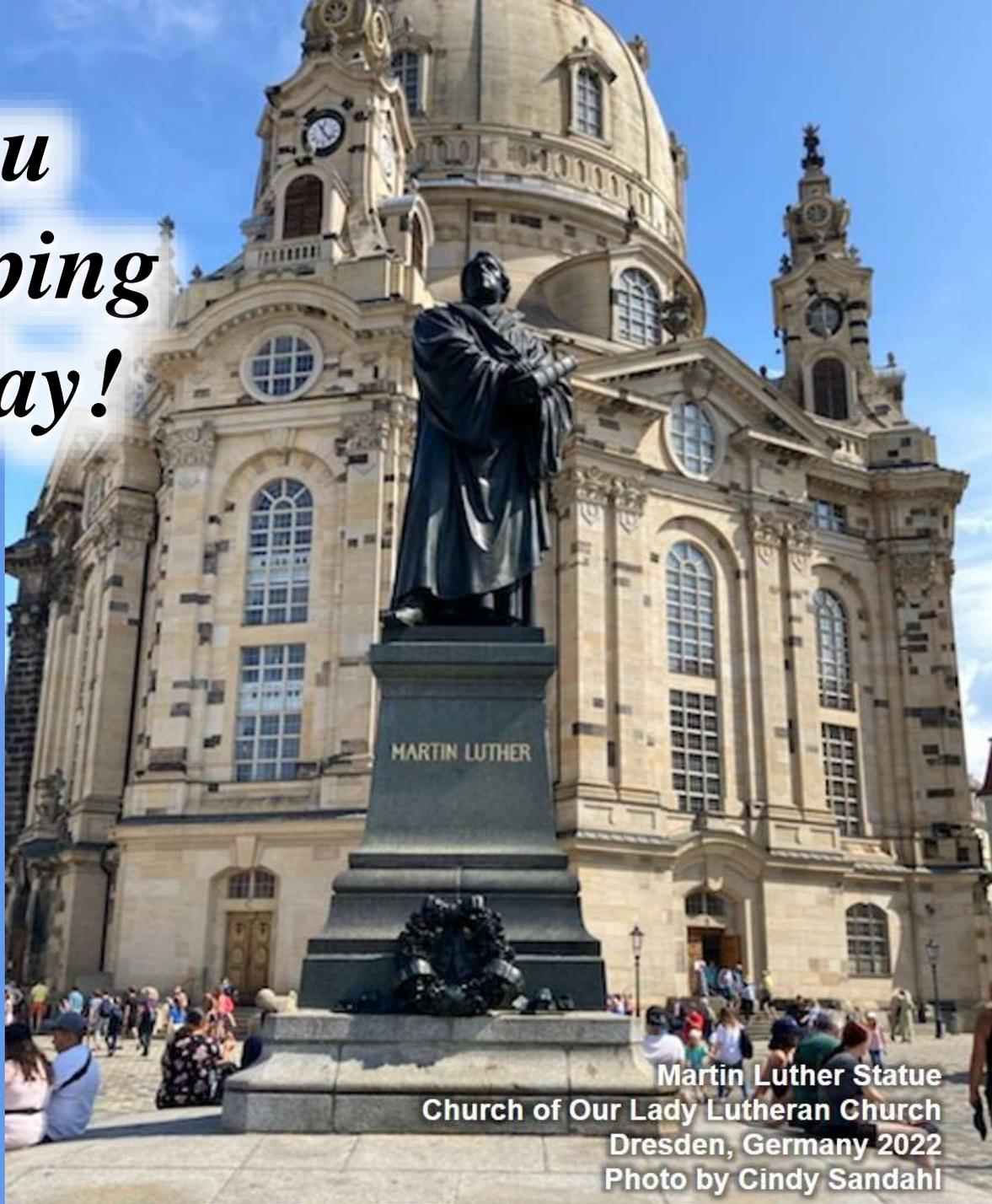
Dismissal

- L: Go now, remembering God's gifts of grace, mercy, and praise. May Christ Jesus lead you into a life of faith. And may the Holy Spirit live within you to share that faith with others.
- C: Amen.**

*Thank you
for worshipping
with us today!*

*May God
Bless You!*

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