

Welcome to Worship at Zion Lutheran Church

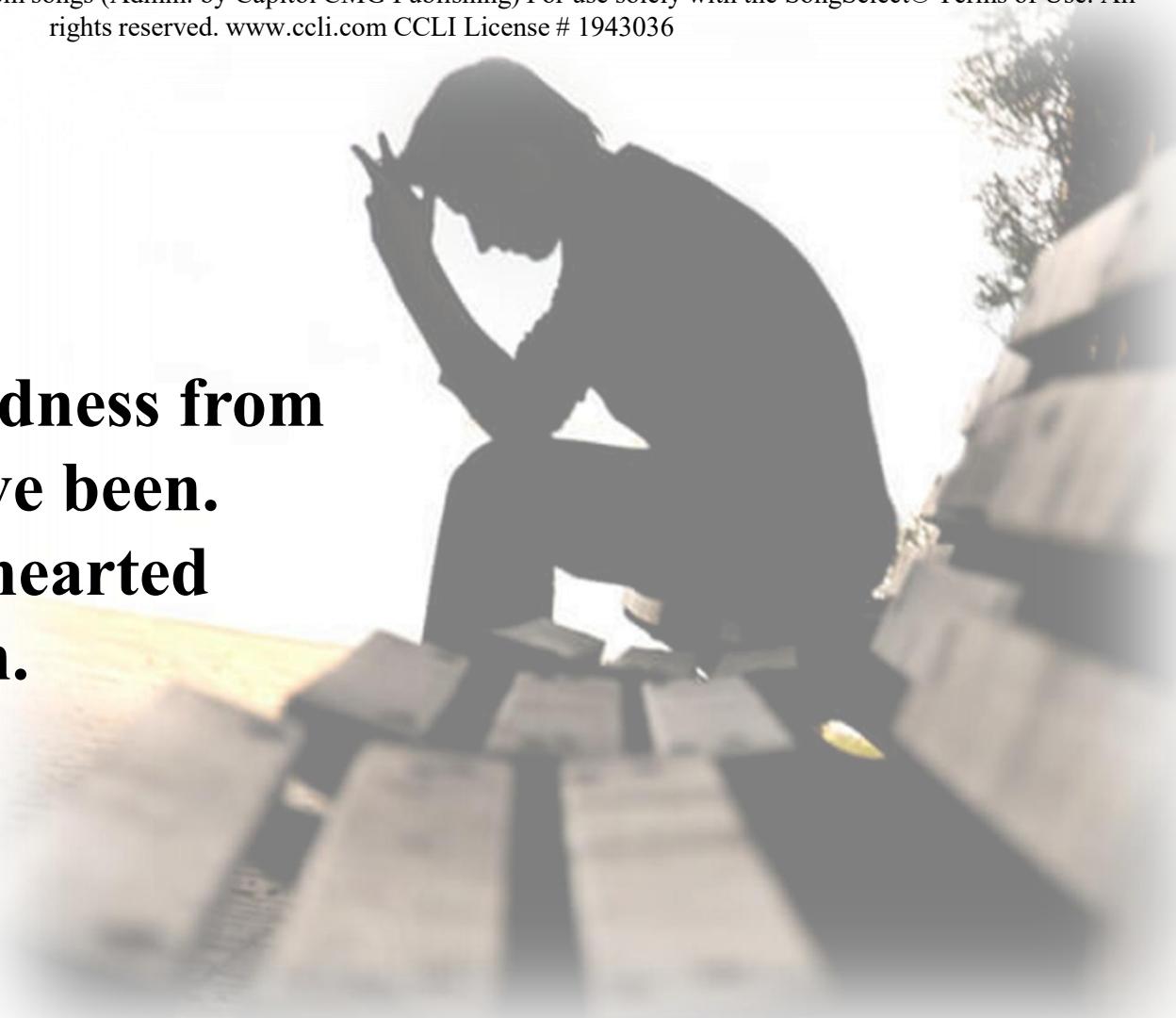
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Come as You Are

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**Come out of sadness from
wherever you've been.
Come broken-hearted
let rescue begin.**

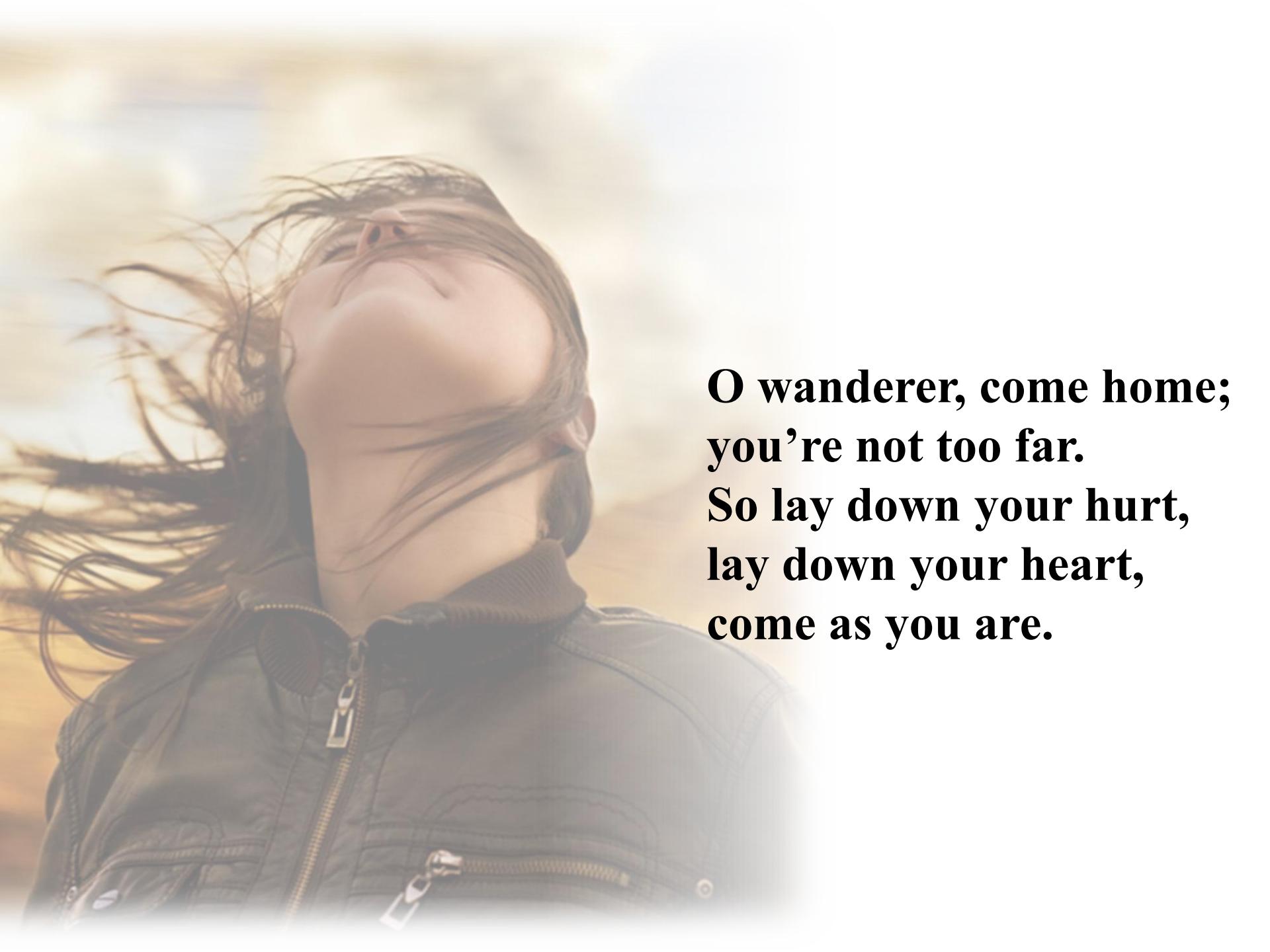


**Come, find your mercy.
O sinner, come kneel;
Earth has no sorrow
that heaven can't heal,
Earth has no sorrow
that heaven can't heal.**





**Lay down your burdens,
lay down your shame.
All who are broken
lift up your face.**



**O wanderer, come home;
you're not too far.
So lay down your hurt,
lay down your heart,
come as you are.**



**There's hope for the hopeless
and all those who've strayed:
come sit at the table,
come taste the grace.**

A close-up photograph of a person's hands. The left hand is holding a small, white, oval-shaped tablet between the thumb and forefinger. The right hand is holding a small, ornate golden chalice, tilted slightly so the tablet is positioned above it. The background is dark and out of focus.

**There's rest for the weary,
rest that endures.
Earth has no sorrow
that heaven can't cure.**

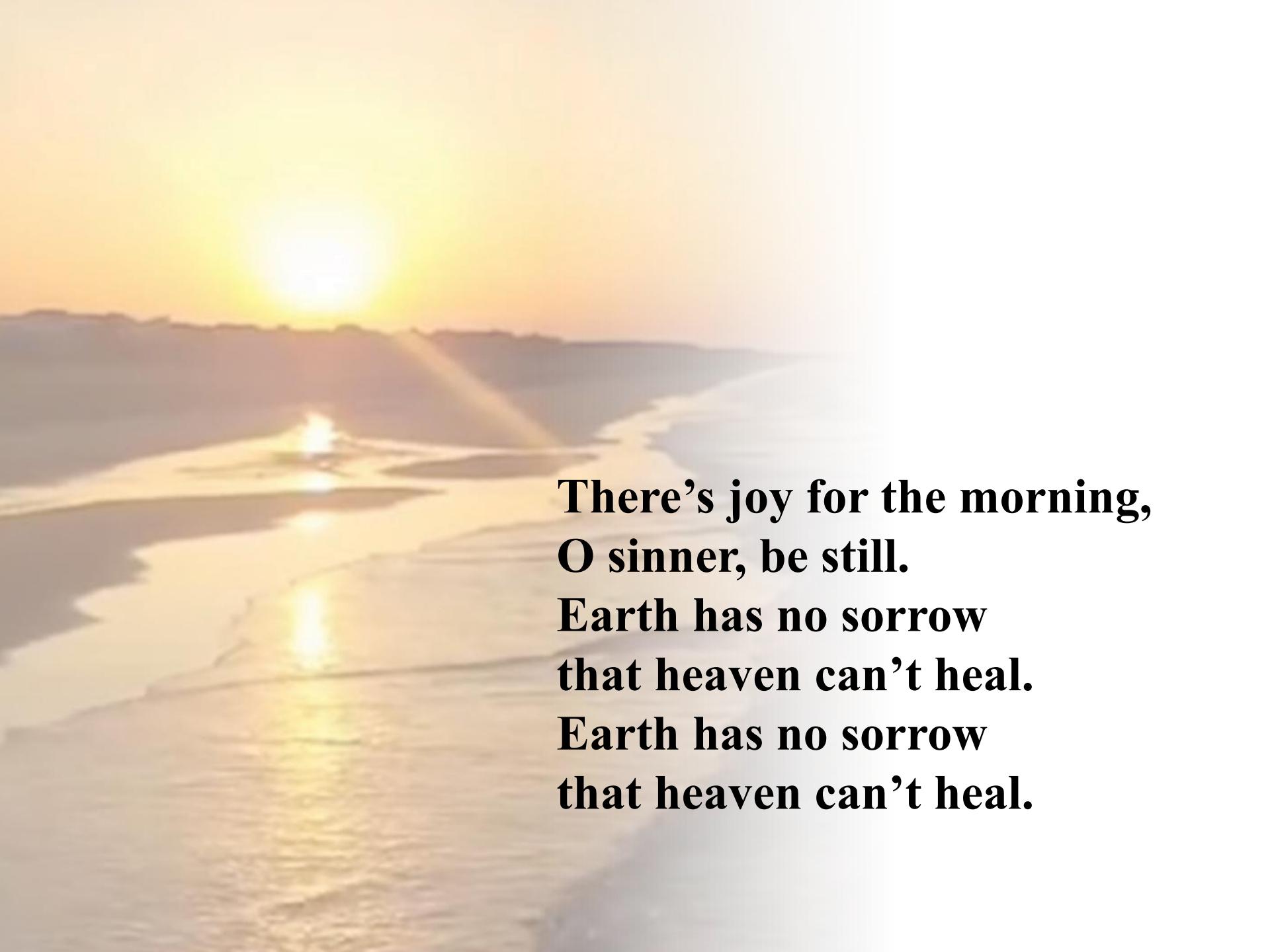
**So lay down your burdens,
lay down your shame.
All who are broken
lift up your face.**

**O wanderer, come home;
you're not too far.
So lay down your hurt,
lay down your heart:
come as you are....**



**Come as you are....
Fall in his arms....
Come as you are.**



A misty, sunrise landscape with mountains and a winding path.

**There's joy for the morning,
O sinner, be still.
Earth has no sorrow
that heaven can't heal.
Earth has no sorrow
that heaven can't heal.**

**So lay down your burdens,
lay down your shame.
All who are broken
lift up your face.**

**O wanderer, come home;
you're not too far.
So lay down your hurt,
lay down your heart,
come as you are....**



A photograph of a person's arm and hand reaching out from the right side of the frame. The person is wearing a white long-sleeved shirt. The hand is open, palm facing forward, as if offering or welcoming something. The background is a plain, light color.

Come as you are....

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Jesus Does

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**Who tells the sun to rise every morning,
colors the sky with the shades of his glory,
wakes us with mercy and love?
Jesus does.**

**Who holds the orphan, comforts the widow,
cries for injustice, feels every sorrow,
carries the pain of his children?
Jesus does.**

**So we sing:
Praise to the Father who gave us the Son.
Praise to the Spirit who's living in us.
When I was a sinner,
he saved me from who I was.
('Cause) that's what Jesus does.**

**Who understands the heart of the sinner,
showers his grace over all our mistakes,
washes us clean with his blood?
Jesus does.**

**Who sings the song of sweet forgiveness?
Who stole the keys to hell and the grave?
Who has the power to save?
Jesus does.**

**So we sing:
Praise to the Father who gave us the Son.
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**Oh what a friend,
oh what a Savior,
he's always been good,
he's always been faithful.
He came to my rescue
when I needed him most
and saved my soul.**

So we sing:

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A wide-angle photograph of a winter scene. In the foreground, a frozen lake is visible with some thin, dark lines across it, likely from a bridge or pier. The lake is surrounded by snow-covered ground and several clusters of trees. The trees on the right and in the background are heavily laden with white frost or snow, appearing almost white against the grey sky. The sky itself is a uniform, pale grey, with a bright, overexposed area in the upper left corner where the sun is positioned.

Welcome and Announcements



Are you interested
in becoming a
member of Zion or
maybe you have
some questions on
what it means to be
a member of Zion?

Join Pastor Linda for a new member coffee TODAY
at 10:30 am in Room 2/3.

Come and join us for a meal before worship!



All are
welcome!
+

Zion is hosting a Blood Drive!

**Tuesday, February 3,
from 12:30 to 6:00 pm**

The planners are looking for donors *and* volunteers!

Volunteers are needed for:

- Contacting possible donors
- Help to clear tables and chairs prior to the drive
- Greet donors, check ID's, and keeping track of names

Contact Trent Hard to volunteer at 701-238-4139.

Join us for a

CRAFTERNOON

Sunday, February 1

11:30 to 2:30

at Zion

- ❖ bring your own project to work on
- ❖ help tie senior gift blankets
- ❖ participate in a mug exchange
(bring a mug, get a mug!)
- ❖ learn how to make a cake-in-a-mug
- ❖ make a mug rug
- ❖ make small kindness cards with
Bobbi Aker in celebration of kindness
month (February)
- ❖ see more details in the Messenger

Freewill baked potato bar lunch



it's all about the mugs!

Help fill the care package boxes for Zion's graduates.

The boxes are out in the Gathering Space and available to be filled now until February 8.



We will be mailing the packages so that students will receive them in time for Valentine's Day.

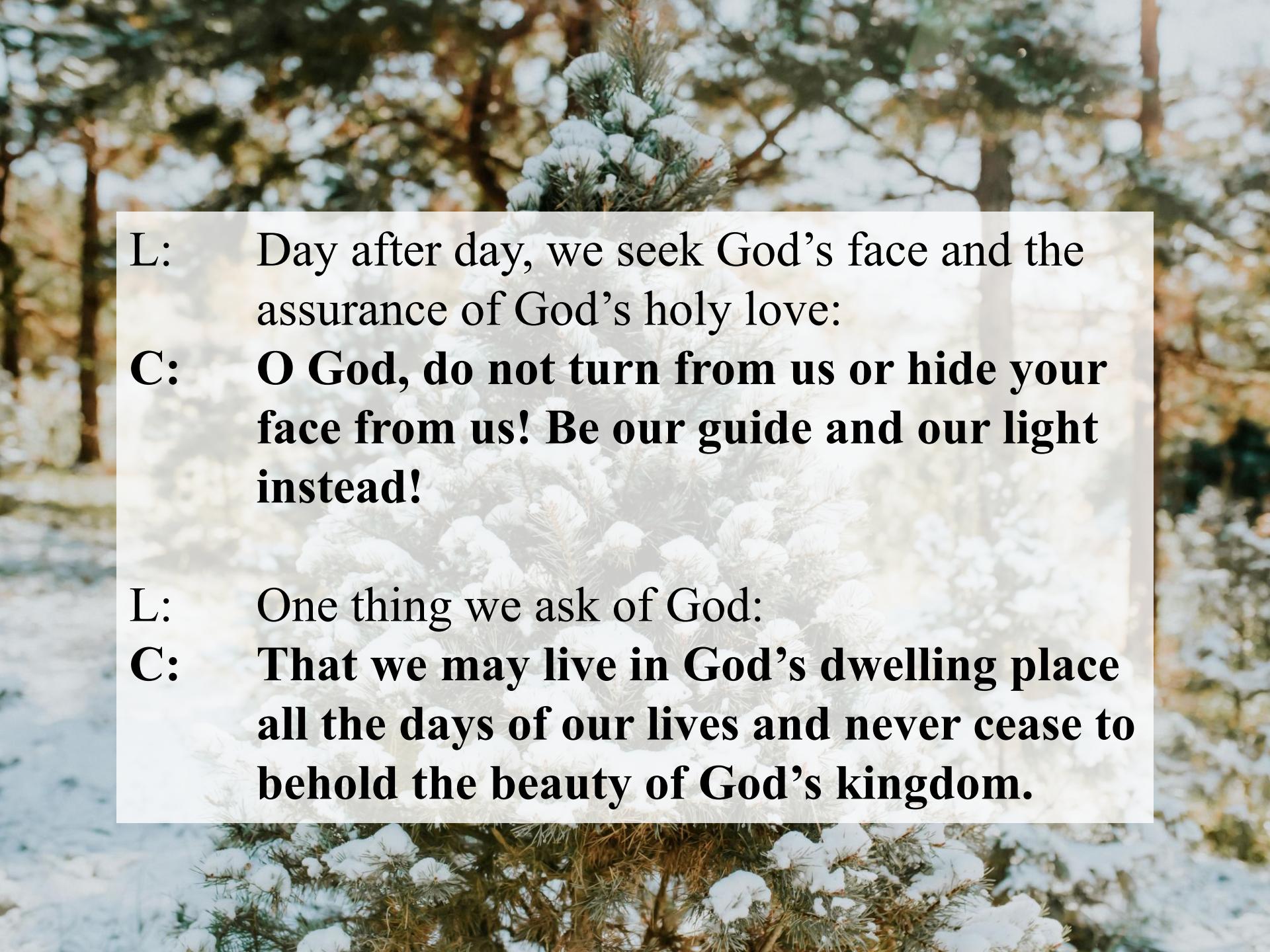
Sharing the Peace



Call to Worship

L: God is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?

C: **God is our shelter and refuge on the days of trouble and our hope and joy on the days of celebration!**

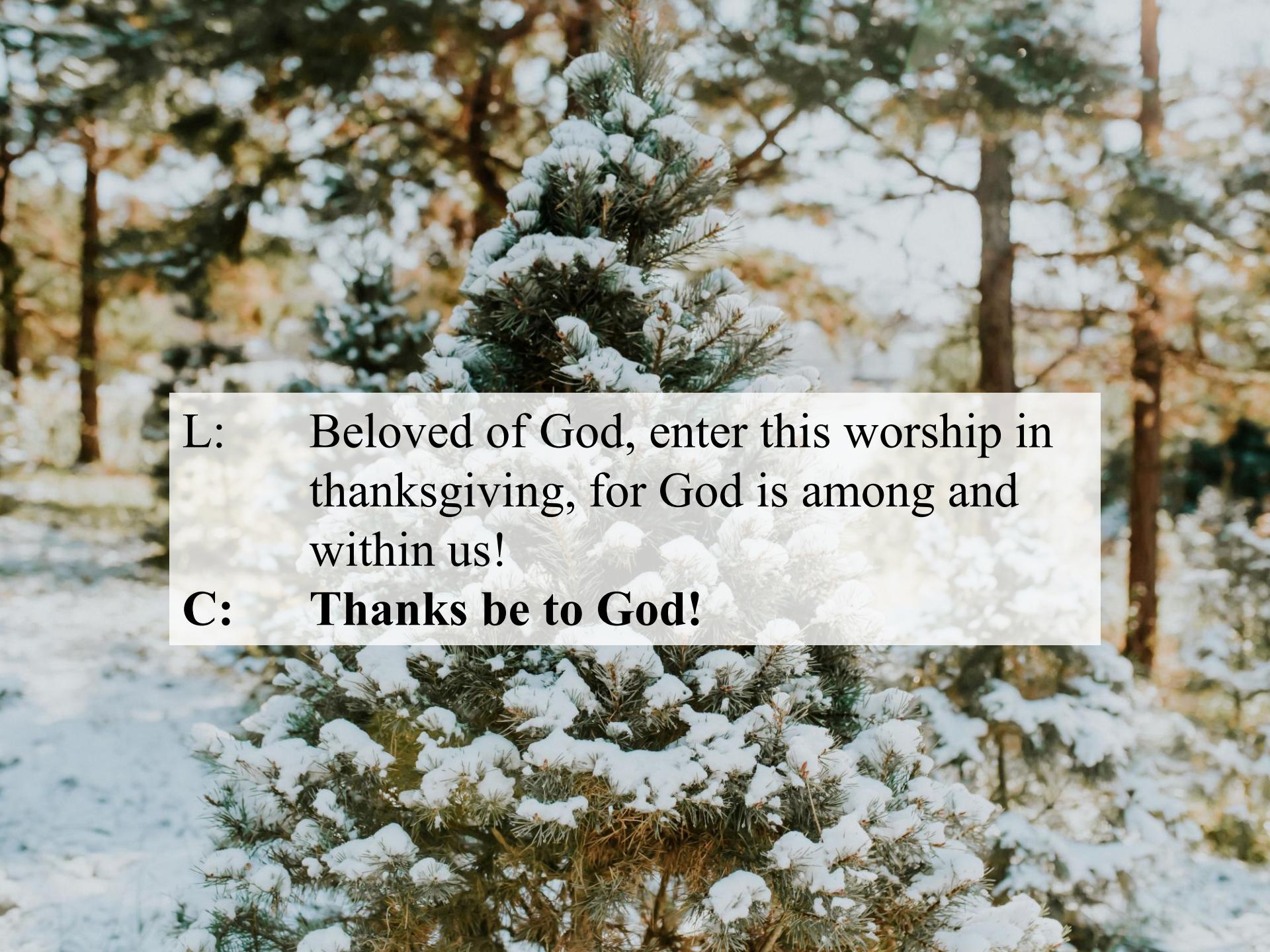


L: Day after day, we seek God's face and the assurance of God's holy love:

C: **O God, do not turn from us or hide your face from us! Be our guide and our light instead!**

L: One thing we ask of God:

C: **That we may live in God's dwelling place all the days of our lives and never cease to behold the beauty of God's kingdom.**



L: Beloved of God, enter this worship in
thanksgiving, for God is among and
within us!

C: **Thanks be to God!**

Light of the World

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**Light of the world, treasure of Heaven,
brilliant like the stars in the wintery sky.
Joy of the Father, reach through the darkness,
Shine across the earth, send the shadows to flight.**

**Light of the world, from the beginning;
the tragedies of time were no match for your love.
From great heights of glory, you saw my story.
God, you entered in and became one of us.**

**Sing hallelujah,
Sing hallelujah.**

Sing hallelujah for the things he has done!

**Come and adore him,
bow down before him.**

Sing hallelujah to the light of the world.

**Light of the world, crown in a manger,
born for the cross, to suffer, to save.
High King of heaven, death is the poorer.
We are the richer by the price that he paid.**

**Sing hallelujah,
Sing hallelujah.**

Sing hallelujah for the things he has done!

**Come and adore him,
bow down before him.**

Sing hallelujah to the light of the world.

**Light of the world soon will be coming,
with fire in his eyes, he will ransom his own.
Through clouds he will lead us straight into glory,
and there he shall reign forevermore, forevermore.**

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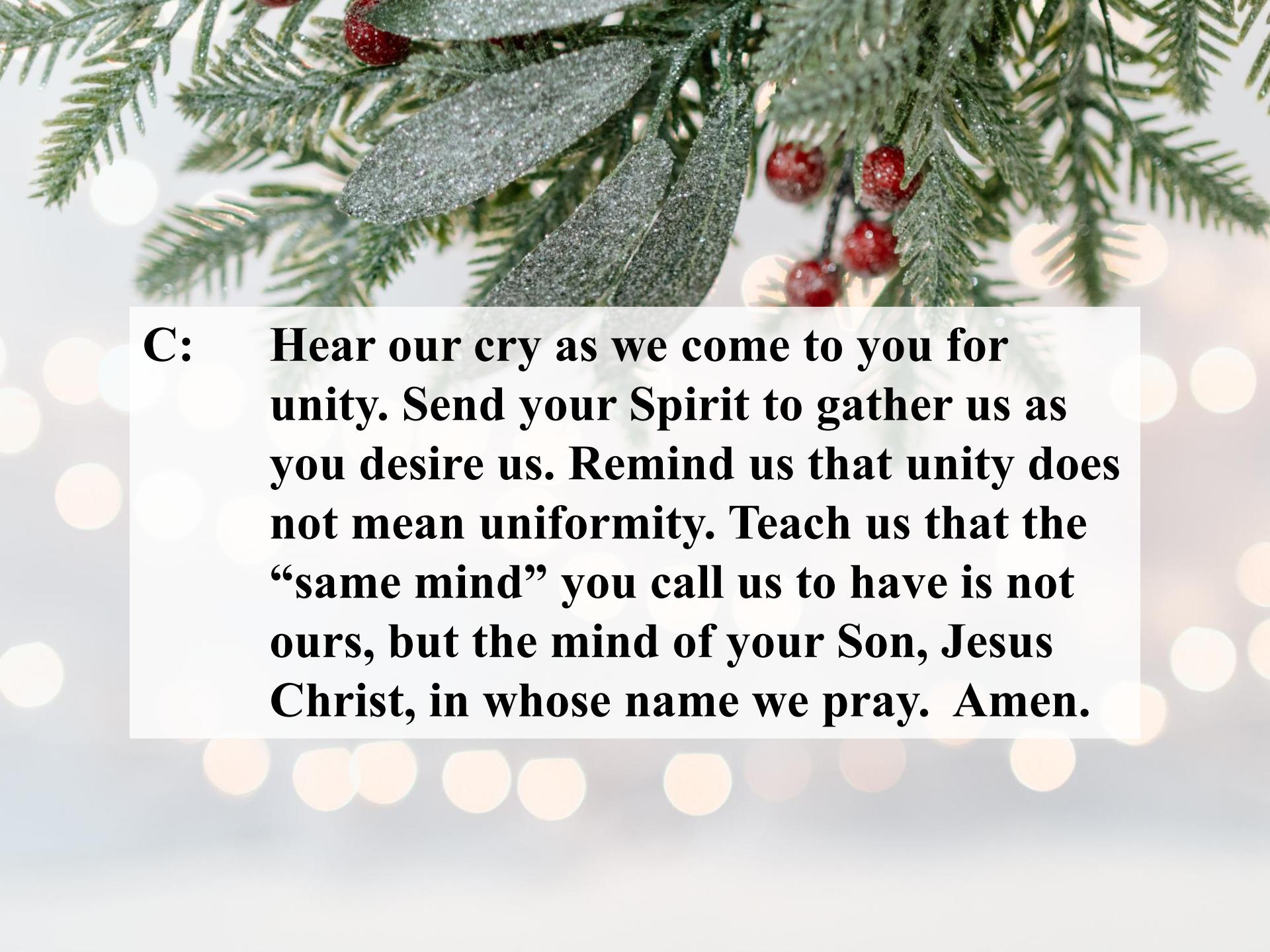
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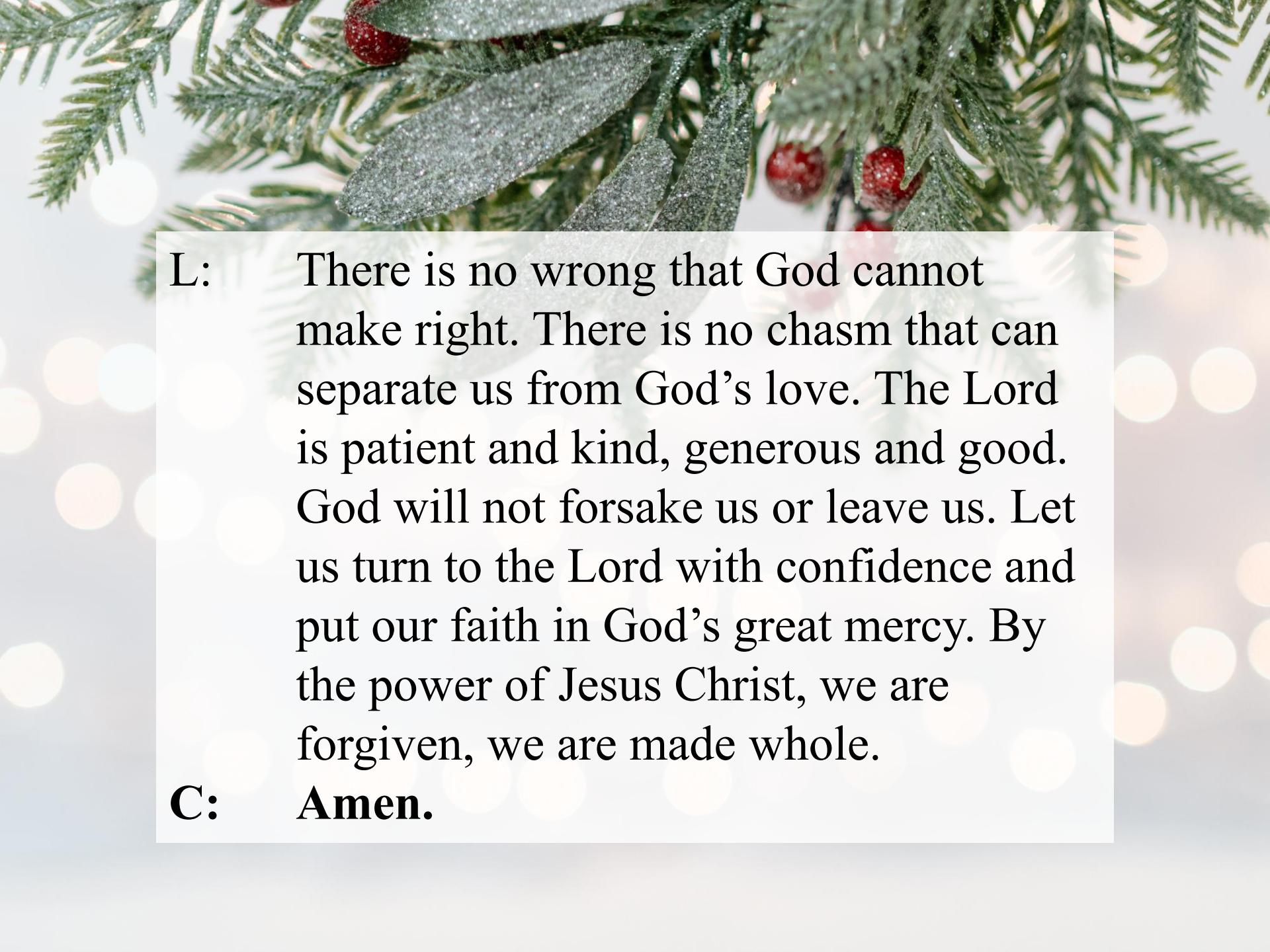
Confession and Forgiveness

L: God, our Light and Salvation

C: **forgive us for those moments when we have walked in darkness, stumbling in the wilderness of quarrels, division, and bickering. You have called us to follow you and to fish for people but too often we think that our way is the only way to do your will. Forgive us, Lord, for the brokenness that we bring upon ourselves.**



C: Hear our cry as we come to you for unity. Send your Spirit to gather us as you desire us. Remind us that unity does not mean uniformity. Teach us that the “same mind” you call us to have is not ours, but the mind of your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.



L: There is no wrong that God cannot make right. There is no chasm that can separate us from God's love. The Lord is patient and kind, generous and good. God will not forsake us or leave us. Let us turn to the Lord with confidence and put our faith in God's great mercy. By the power of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, we are made whole.

C: **Amen.**

A Message for All God's Children



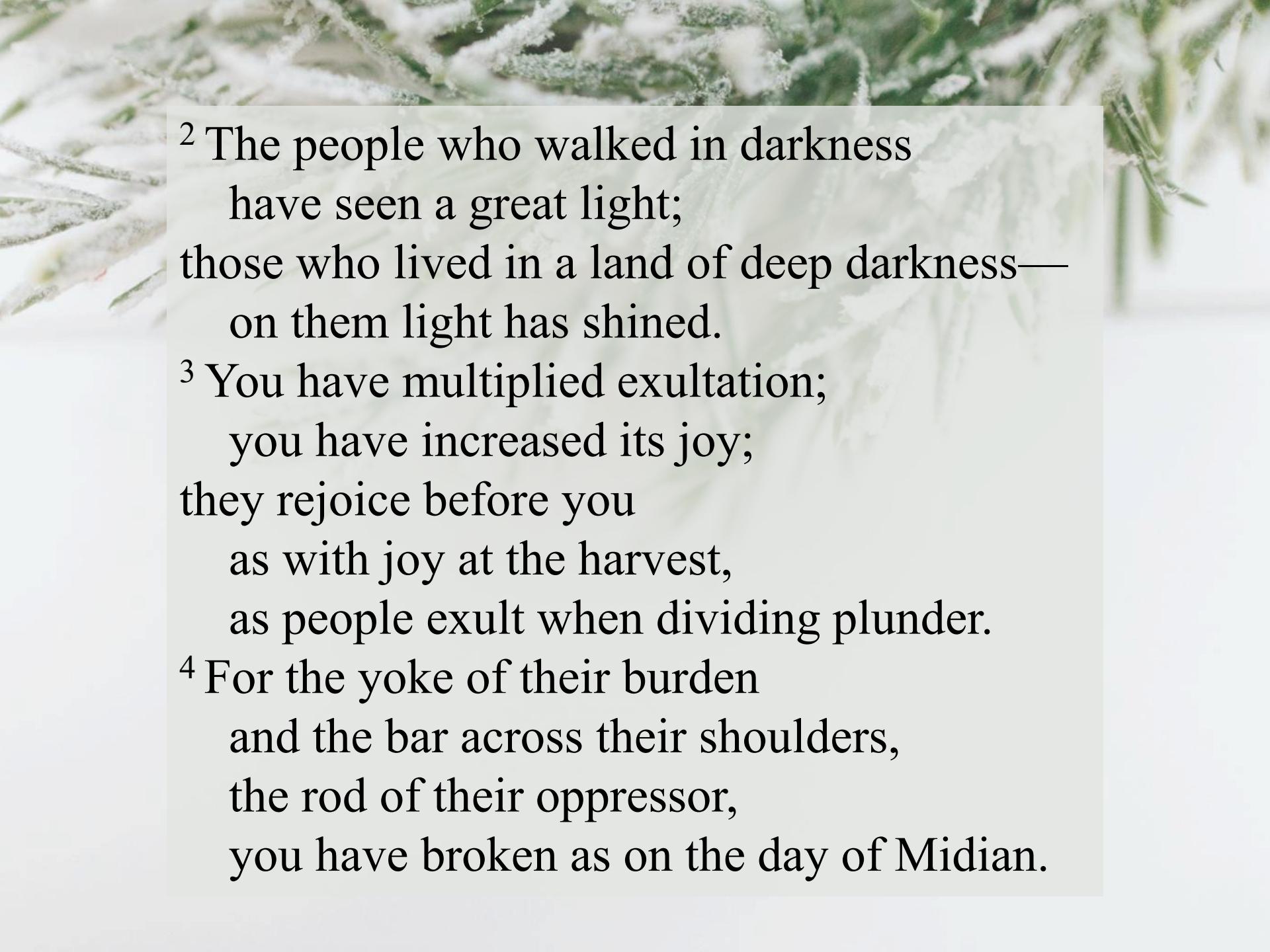


First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-4

The northern tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali experienced the gloom of defeat by Assyrian military forces, but they are assured that their condition will be reversed when God makes a light-filled appearance. The joy they will experience will resemble celebrations of great harvests, because God will deliver them from everything that diminishes or oppresses them.



¹ There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the LORD] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.



² The people who walked in darkness
 have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—
 on them light has shined.

³ You have multiplied exultation;
 you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
 as with joy at the harvest,
 as people exult when dividing plunder.

⁴ For the yoke of their burden
 and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
 you have broken as on the day of Midian.



L: The Word of the Lord.

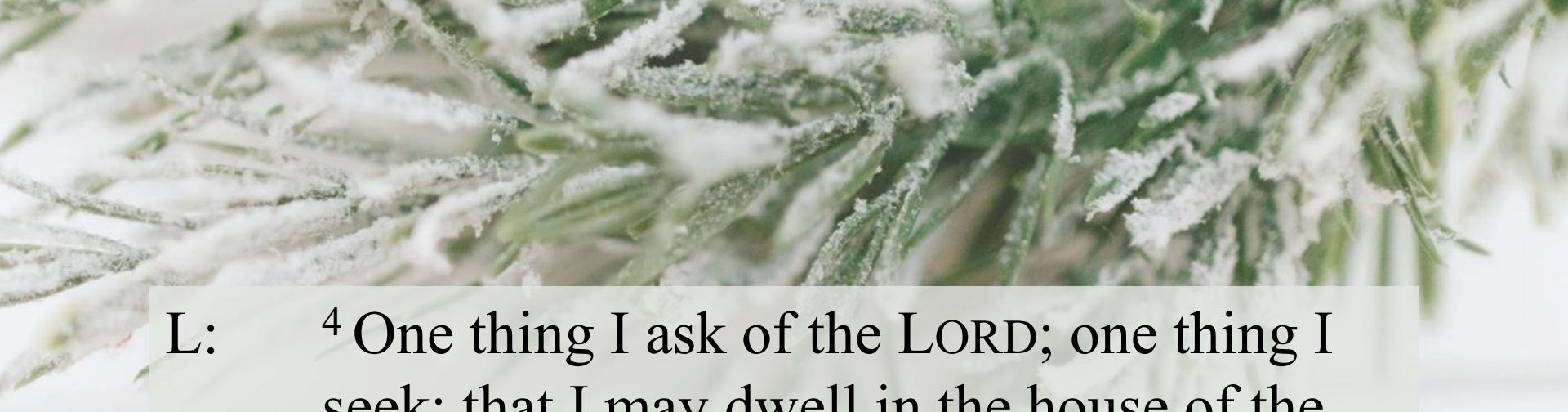
C: Thanks be to God.



Psalm 27:1, 3-9

L: ¹ The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

C: **³ Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.**



L: ⁴ One thing I ask of the LORD; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life; to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God in the temple.

C: ⁵ **For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter, hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high upon a rock.**



L: ⁶ Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround me. Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; I will sing and make music to the LORD.

C: ⁷ Hear my voice, O LORD, when I call;
have mercy on me and answer me.



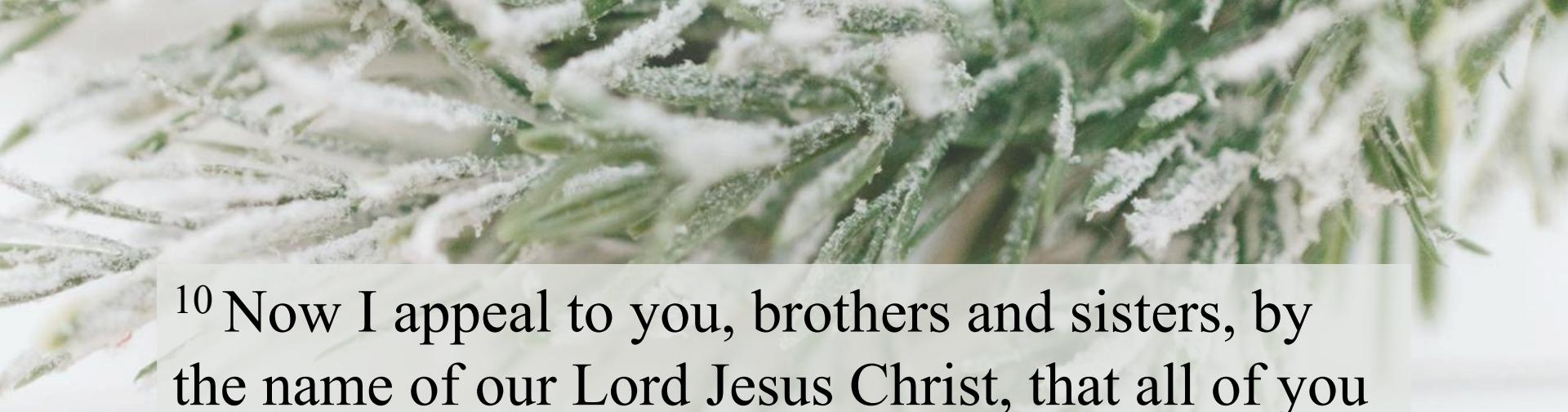
L: ⁸ My heart speaks your message— “Seek my face.” Your face, O LORD, I will seek.

C: **9 Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your servant in anger. Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of my salvation.**



Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Paul calls on the Corinthians to end their dissensions and share the unified outlook of the gospel. Discord arises when we forget that we belong not to human leaders or institutions but to Christ. Indeed, the unifying word of the cross of Christ is the center of the gospel and the power of God's salvation.



¹⁰ Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you but that you be knit together in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹ For it has been made clear to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹² What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ."



¹³ Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

¹⁴ I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵ so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶ I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.



¹⁷ For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel—and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

¹⁸ For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.



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C: Thanks be to God.

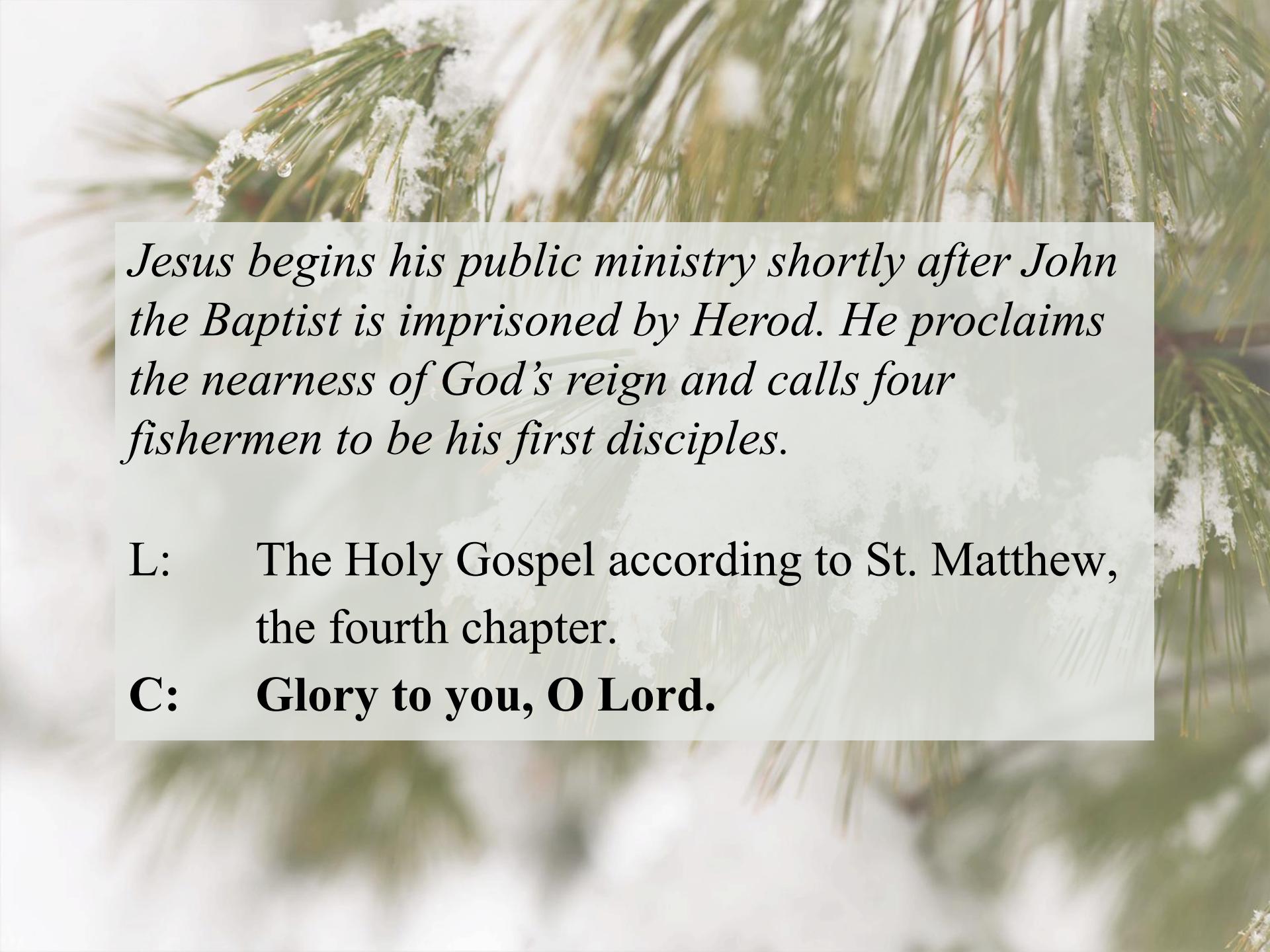
Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

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**Lord, let my heart be good soil,
open to the seed of your word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil,
where love can grow
and peace is understood.**

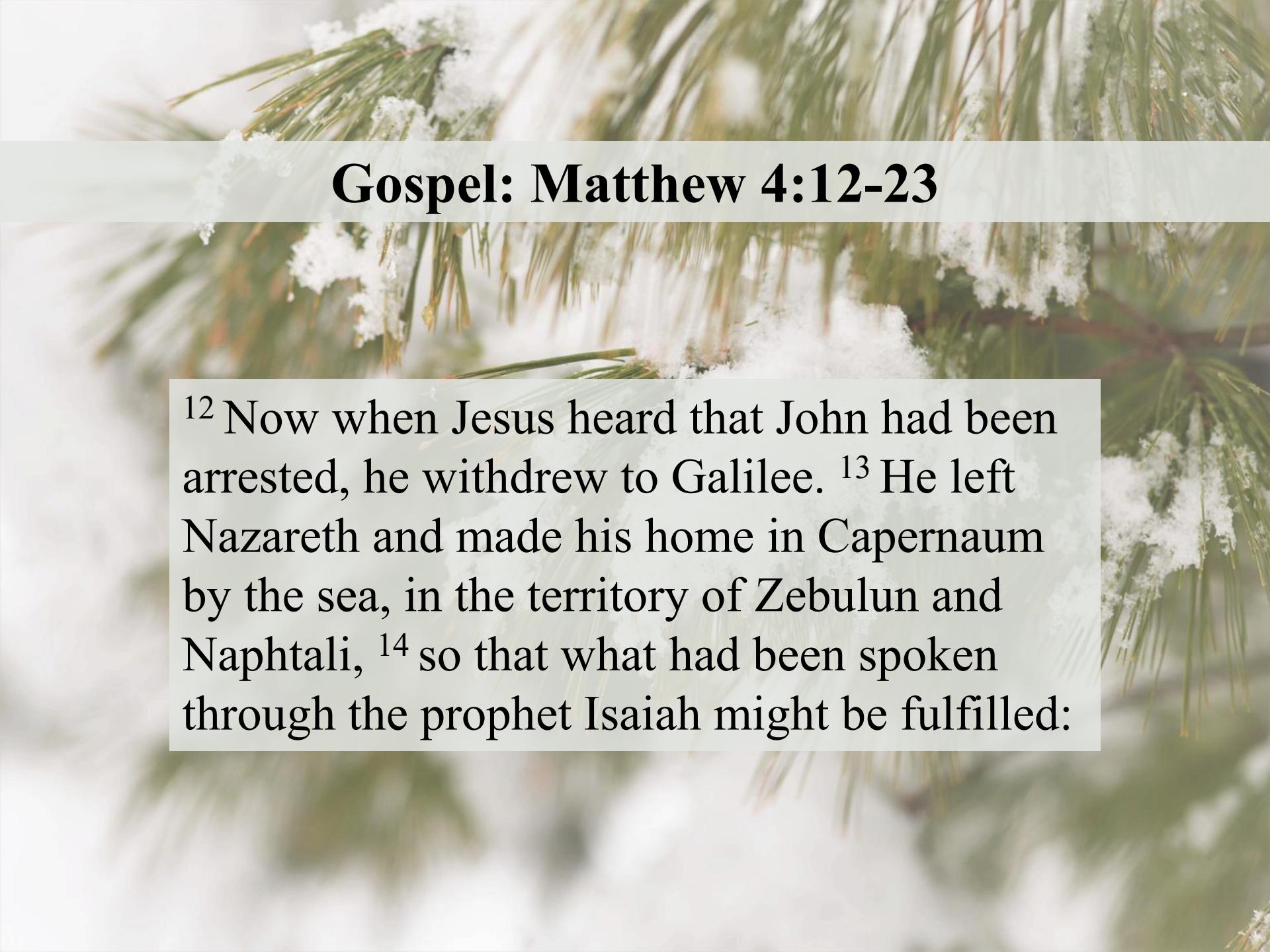
**When my heart is hard,
break the stone away.**
**When my heart is cold,
warm it with the day.**
**When my heart is lost,
lead me on your way.**
Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart be good soil.



Jesus begins his public ministry shortly after John the Baptist is imprisoned by Herod. He proclaims the nearness of God's reign and calls four fishermen to be his first disciples.

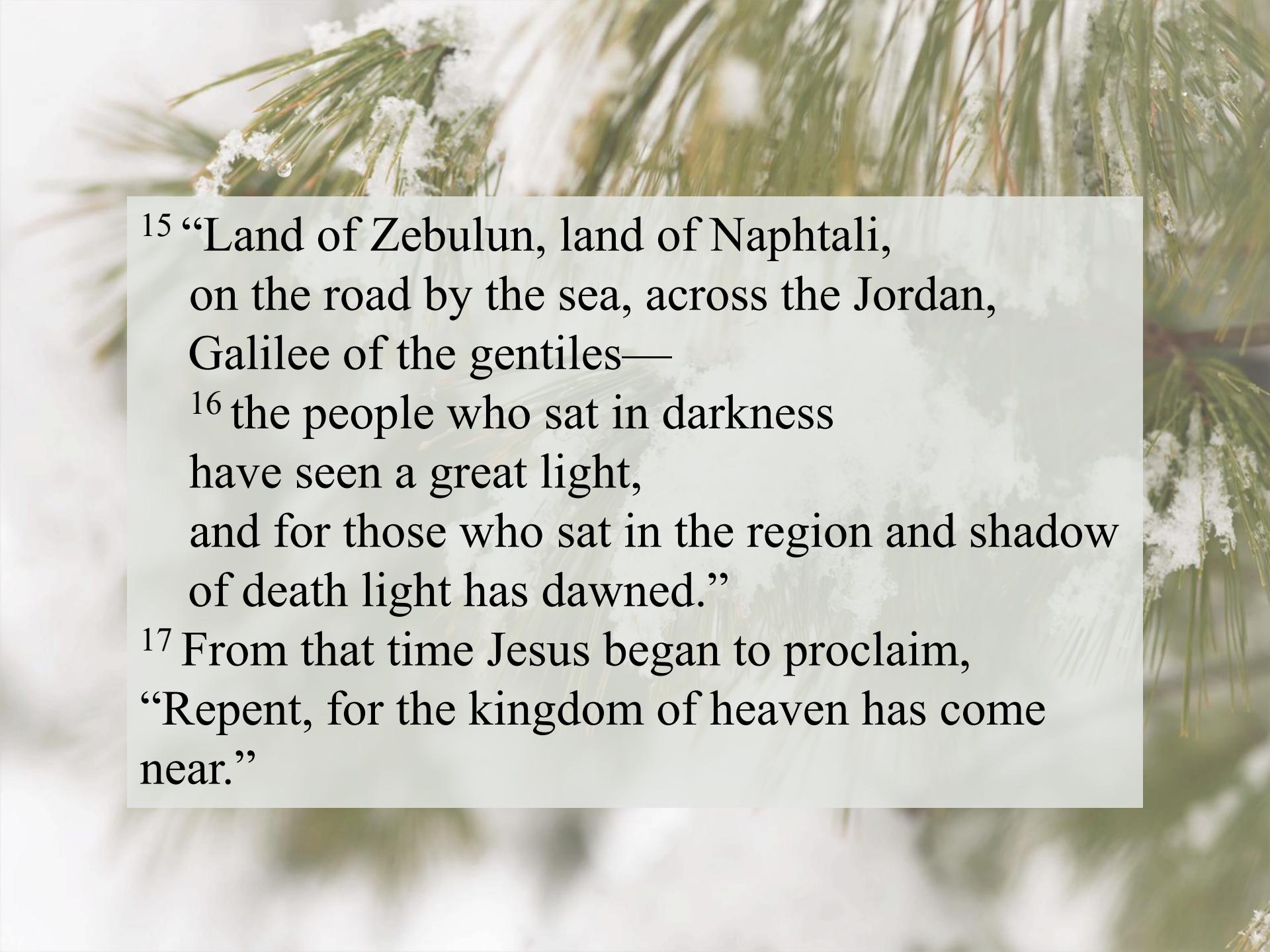
L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew,
the fourth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.



Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23

¹² Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³ He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴ so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:



15 “Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan,
Galilee of the gentiles—

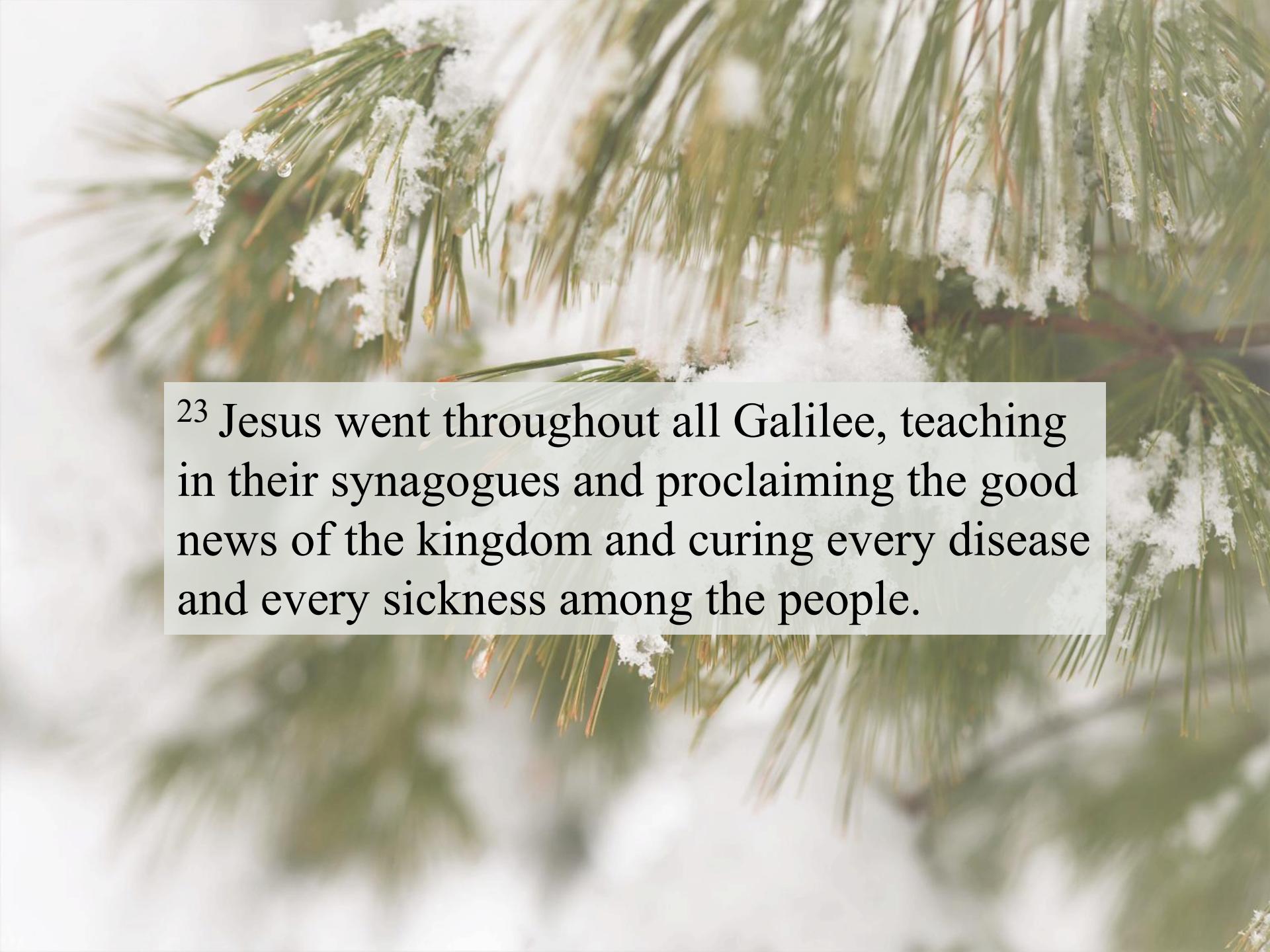
16 the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow
of death light has dawned.”

17 From that time Jesus began to proclaim,
“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come
near.”

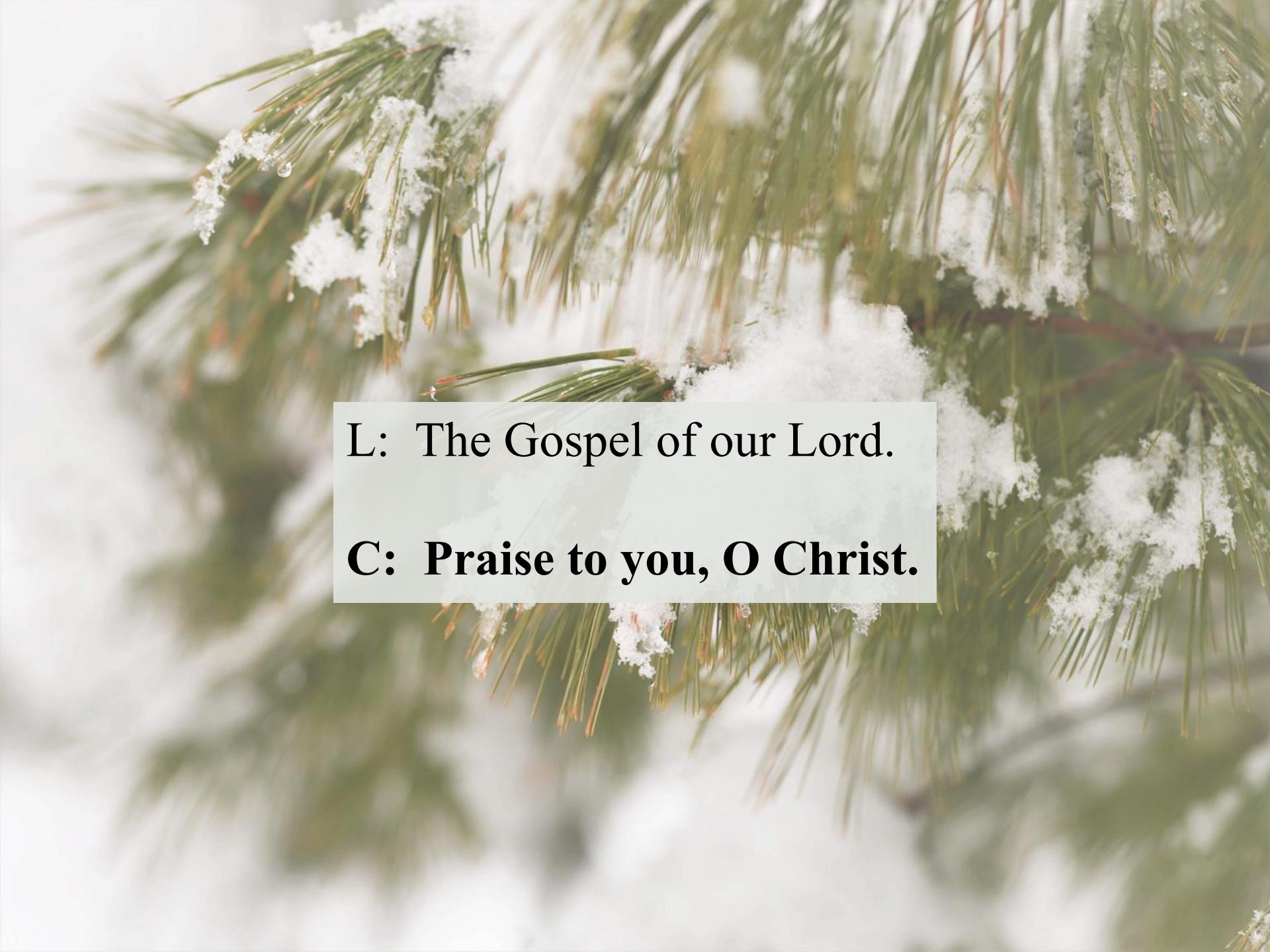
¹⁸ As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishers. ¹⁹ And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people.”

²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹ As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them.

²² Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.



²³ Jesus went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.



L: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

Jesus Messiah

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**He became sin, who knew no sin;
that we might become his righteousness.**

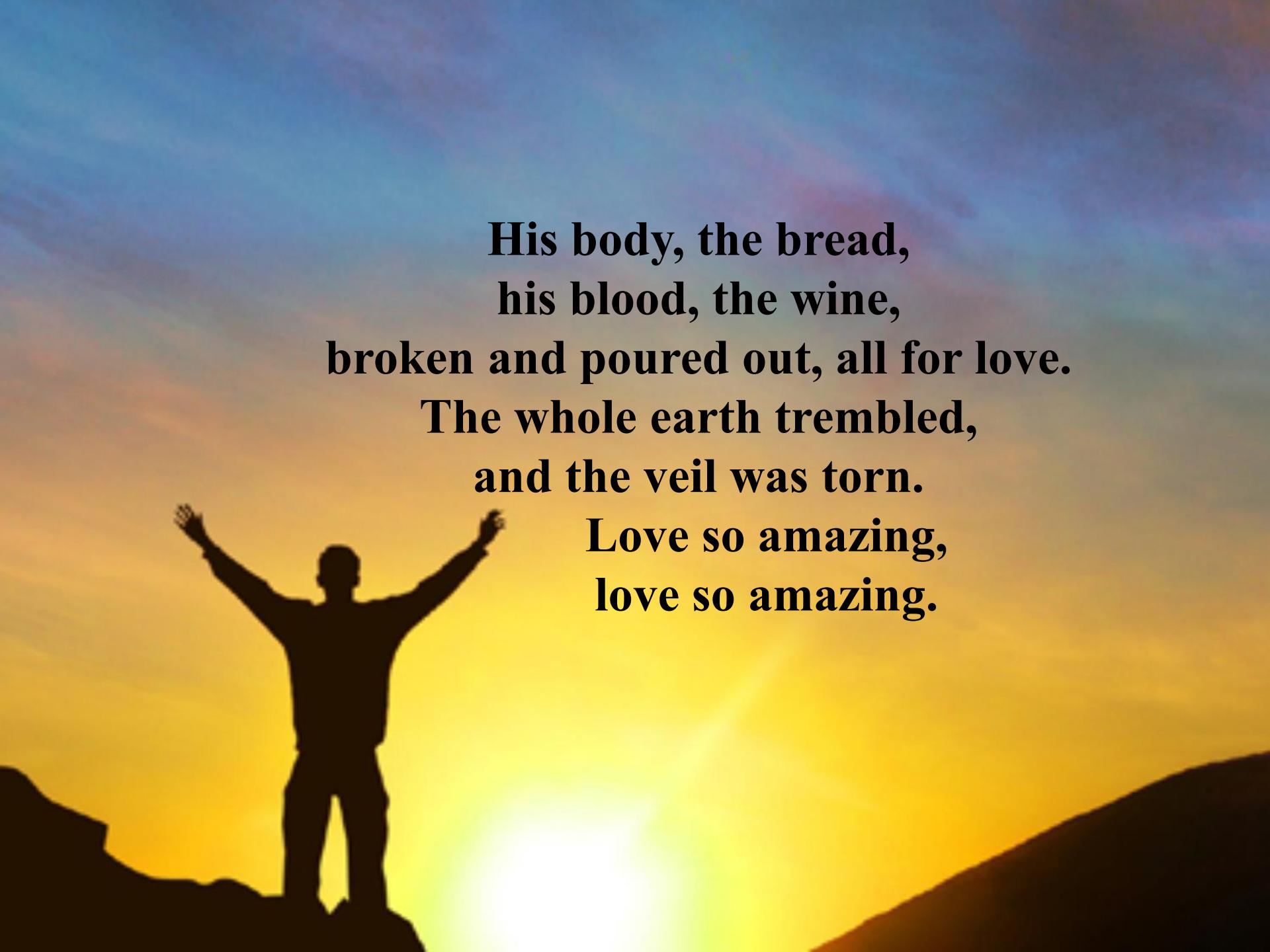
**He humbled himself,
and carried the cross.**

**Love so amazing,
love so amazing.**



**Jesus Messiah;
Name above all names;
Blessed Redeemer; Emmanuel.
The rescue for sinners,
The ransom from heaven;
Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all.**



A silhouette of a person standing with arms raised, set against a vibrant sunset or sunrise sky. The sky transitions from deep blue at the top to bright yellow and orange at the horizon, with soft clouds. The person's silhouette is dark, creating a strong contrast with the bright background.

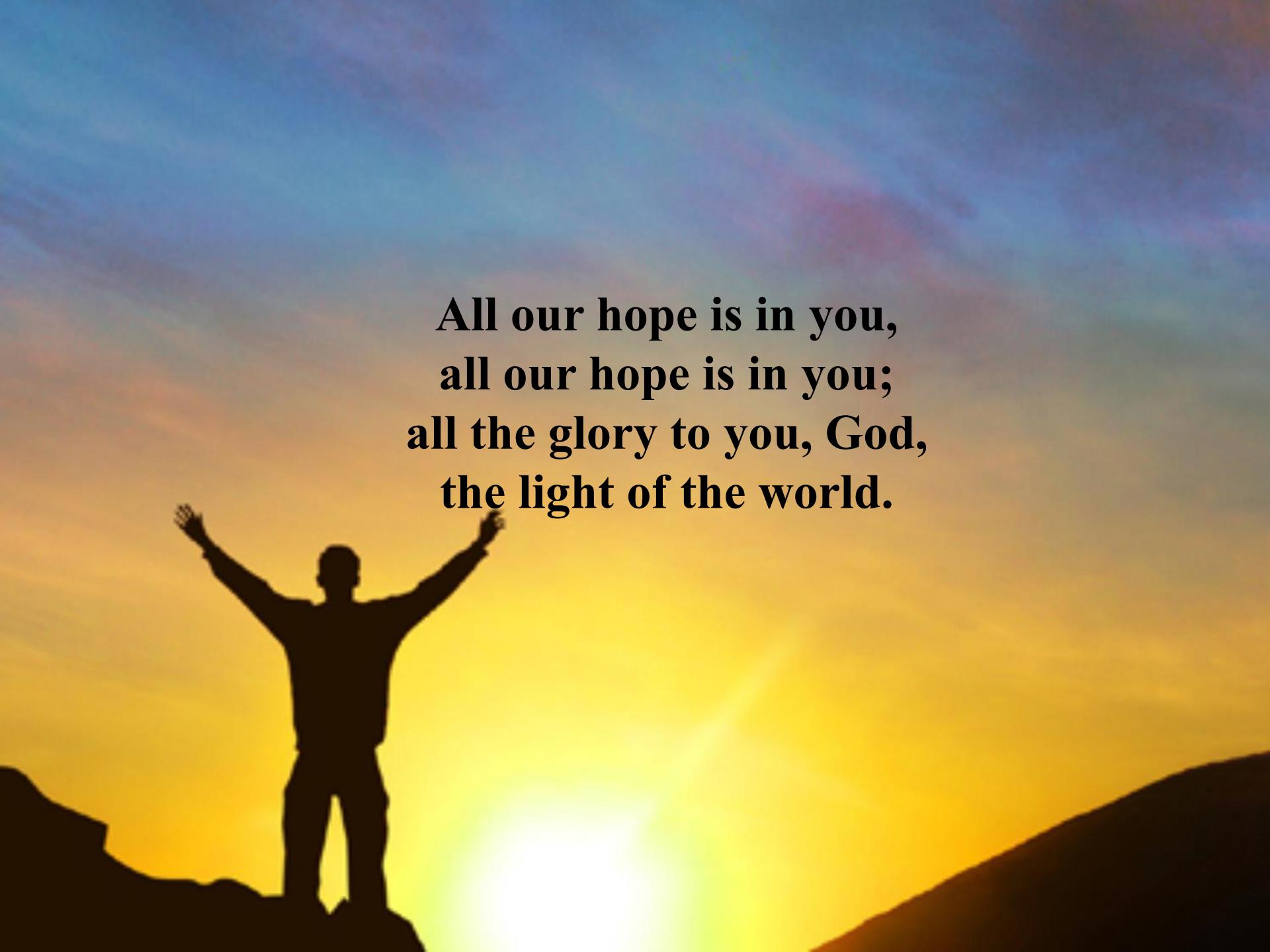
**His body, the bread,
his blood, the wine,
broken and poured out, all for love.**

**The whole earth trembled,
and the veil was torn.**

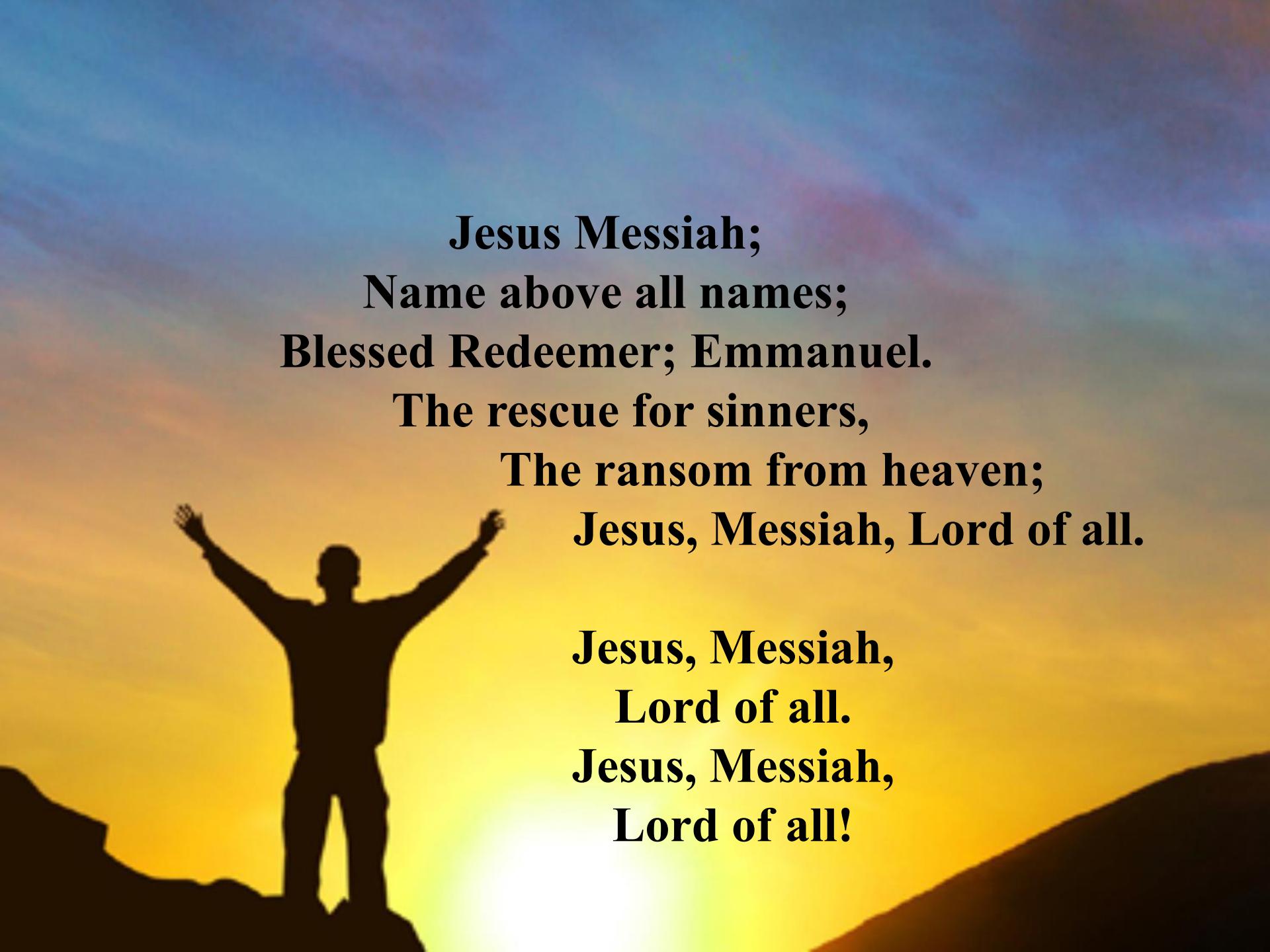
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A silhouette of a person standing on a dark, rocky outcrop, with their arms raised high in the air. The background is a vibrant sunset or sunrise, with colors transitioning from deep blue at the top to bright yellow and orange at the horizon. The sky is filled with wispy clouds.

**All our hope is in you,
all our hope is in you;
all the glory to you, God,
the light of the world.**

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**Jesus, Messiah,
Lord of all.
Jesus, Messiah,
Lord of all!**

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.



Offering



Revelation Song

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**Worthy is the lamb
who was slain;
holy, holy is he;
sing a new song to him
who sits on
heaven's mercy seat.**



**Worthy is the lamb
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holy, holy is he;
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**Holy, holy, holy
is the Lord God Almighty.
Who was and is
and is to come;
with all creation I sing
praise to the king of kings;
you are my ev'rything
and I will adore you.**



**Clothed in rainbows
of living color,
flashes of lightning,
rolls of thunder;
blessing and honor,
strength and glory
and power be to you, the
only wise king.**



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is the Lord God Almighty.
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**Filled with wonder,
awestruck wonder,
at the mention of your name;
Jesus, your name is power,
breath and living water,
such a marv'lous mystery.**

A close-up photograph of a lion's head in profile, looking upwards with its eyes closed. Below it, a white lamb's head is also looking upwards. The background is a bright, cloudy sky.

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Offering Prayer

L: God of majesty,
no eye has seen, no ear has heard what
you have prepared for those who love
you, yet you reveal the wideness of your
mercy. Use what we have gathered to
feed us with the reign of God come
near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Response after each petition:

L: Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's lovingkindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

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.**

Blessing

L: May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise  bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Build Your Kingdom Here

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**Come set your rule, and reign
in our hearts again.
Increase in us we pray.
Unveil why we're made.
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope,
like wildfire in our very souls.
Holy Spirit, come invade us now.
We are your church;
We need your pow'r in us.**

**We seek your kingdom first.
We hunger and we thirst;
Refuse to waste our lives,
for you're our joy and prize.
To see the captives' hearts released;
The hurt, the sick, the poor at peace.
We lay down our lives for heaven's cause.
We are your church;
We pray, revive this earth.**



**Build your kingdom here.
Let the darkness fear.
Show your mighty hand.
Heal our streets and land.
Set your church on fire.
Win this nation back.
Change the atmosphere.
Build your kingdom here, we pray!**

**Unleash your kingdom's pow'r,
reaching the near and far.**

**No force of hell can stop
your beauty, changing hearts.**

**You made us for much more than this;
Awake the kingdom seed in us.**

Fill us with the strength and love of Christ.

**We are your church;
We are the hope on earth.**

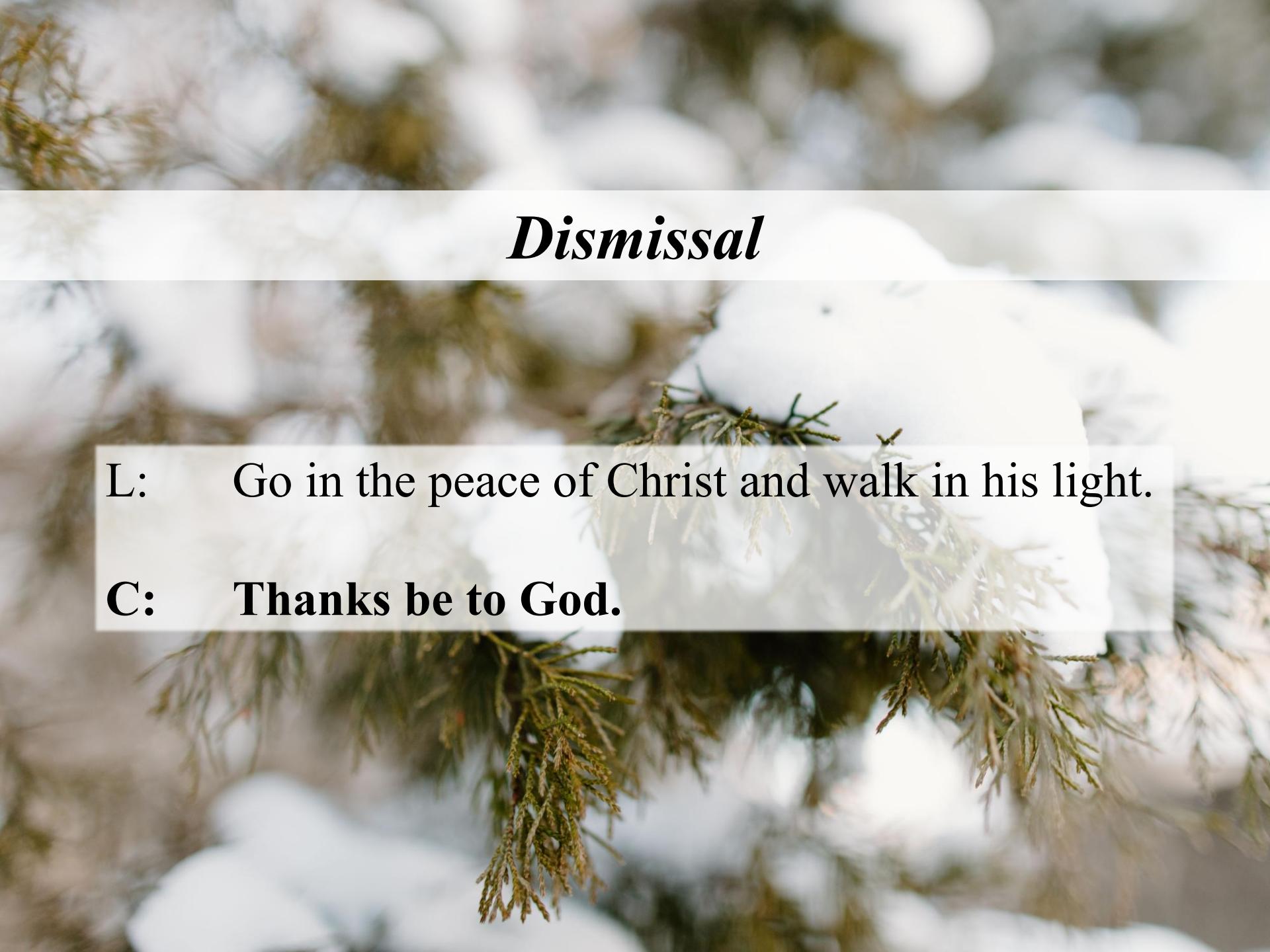


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