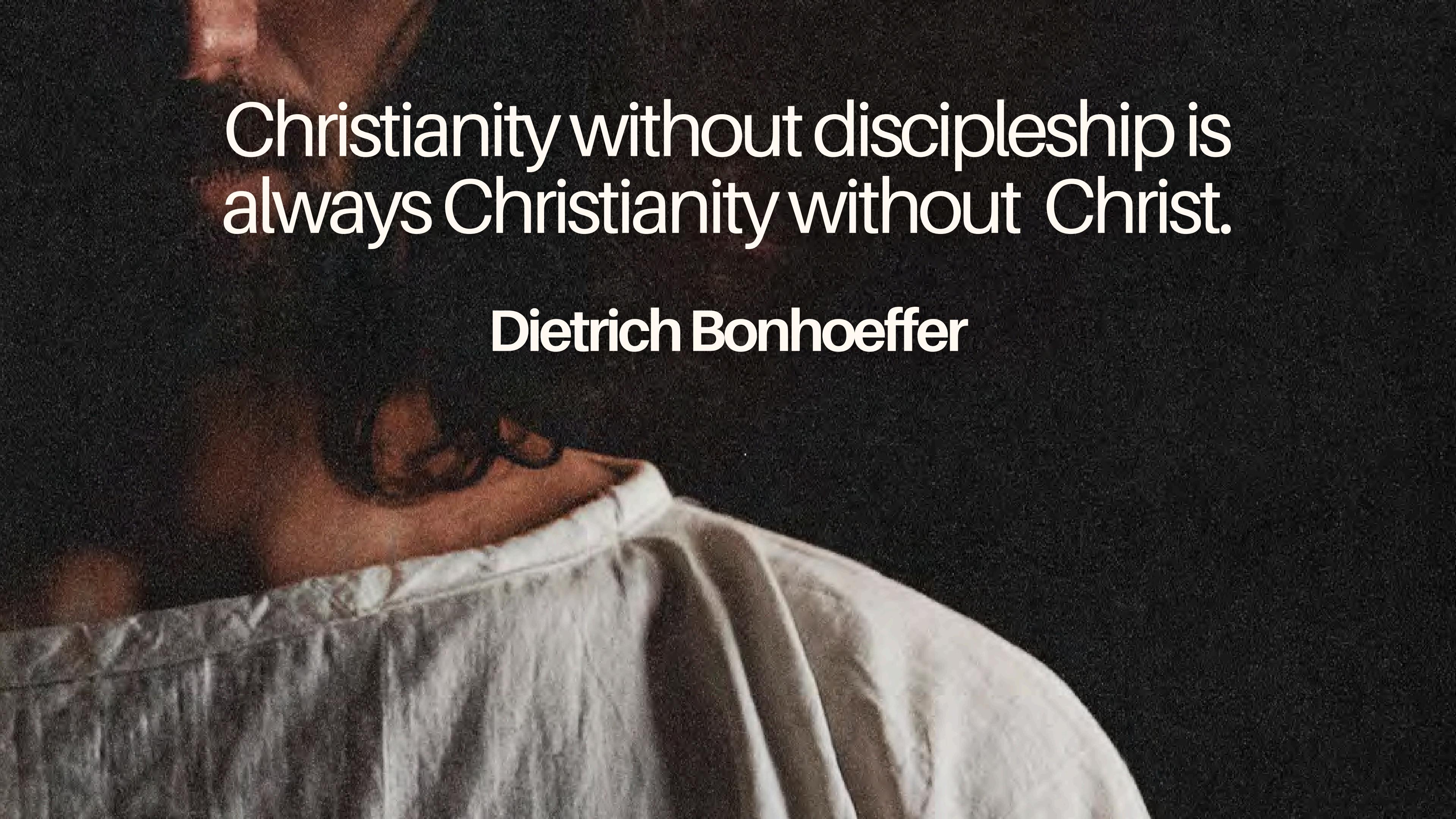




THE JESUS WAY



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always Christianity without Christ.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

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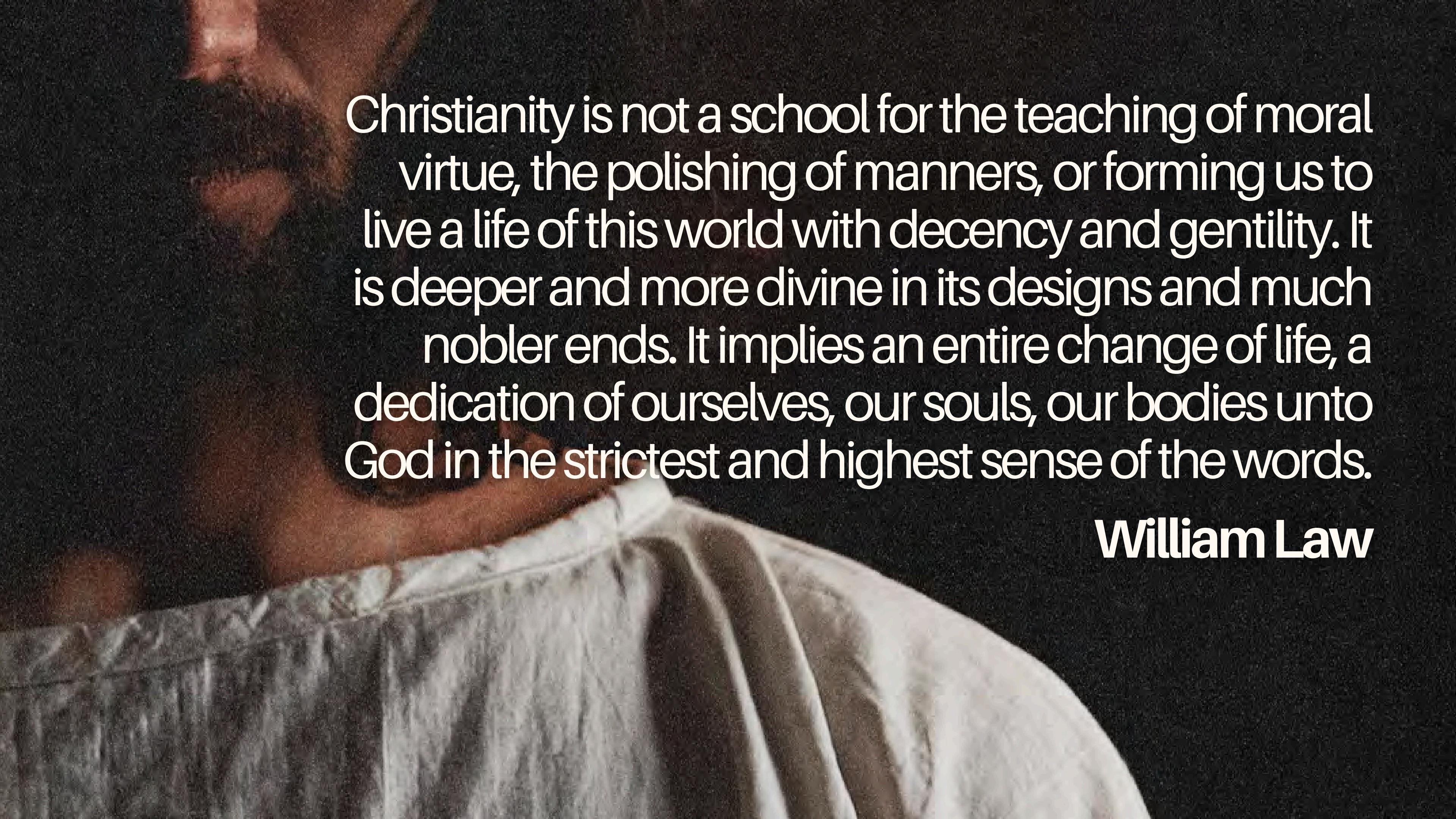


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WHAT DISCIPLESHIP IS NOT: DISCIPLESHIP IS NOT JUST FOR BEGINNERS





Christianity is not a school for the teaching of moral virtue, the polishing of manners, or forming us to live a life of this world with decency and gentility. It is deeper and more divine in its designs and much nobler ends. It implies an entire change of life, a dedication of ourselves, our souls, our bodies unto God in the strictest and highest sense of the words.

William Law

Discipleship is the relationship I stand into Jesus Christ in order that I might take on His character. As his disciple, I am learning from him how to live my life in the kingdom as He would if He were I. The natural outcome is that my entire life is transformed. Increasingly, I routinely and easily do the things He said and did.

LUKE 9:23-25

²³Then He said to them all, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me. ²⁴For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will save it. ²⁵For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and is himself destroyed or lost?”

MATTHEW 28:18-20

¹⁸ And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.
¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,²⁰ teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” Amen.

4 AREAS OF TRANSFORMATION HAPPEN WHEN IMITATING CHRIST

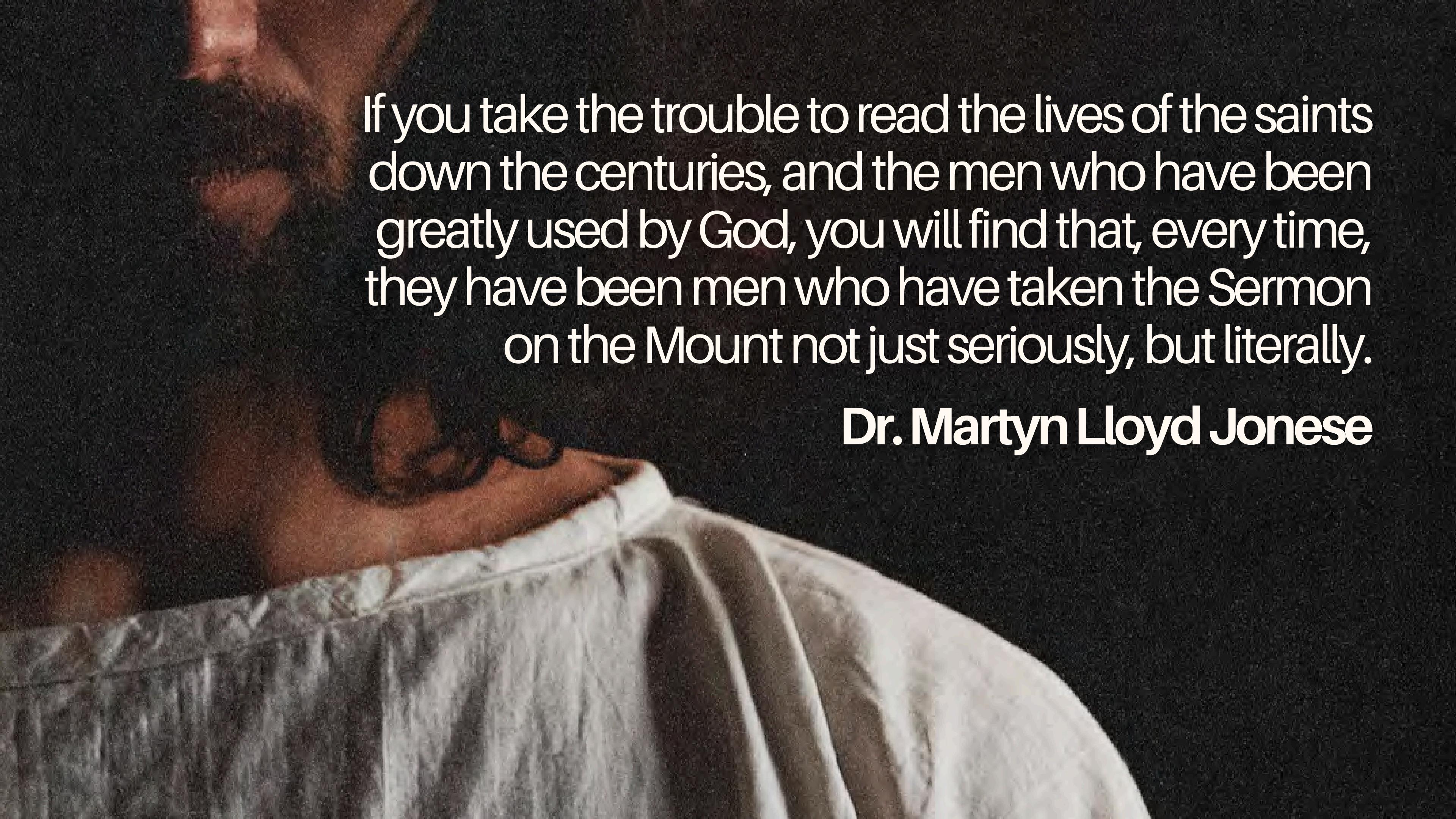
ONE

TRANSFORMED MIND

BELIEVE WHAT JESUS BELIEVED

ROMANS 12:2

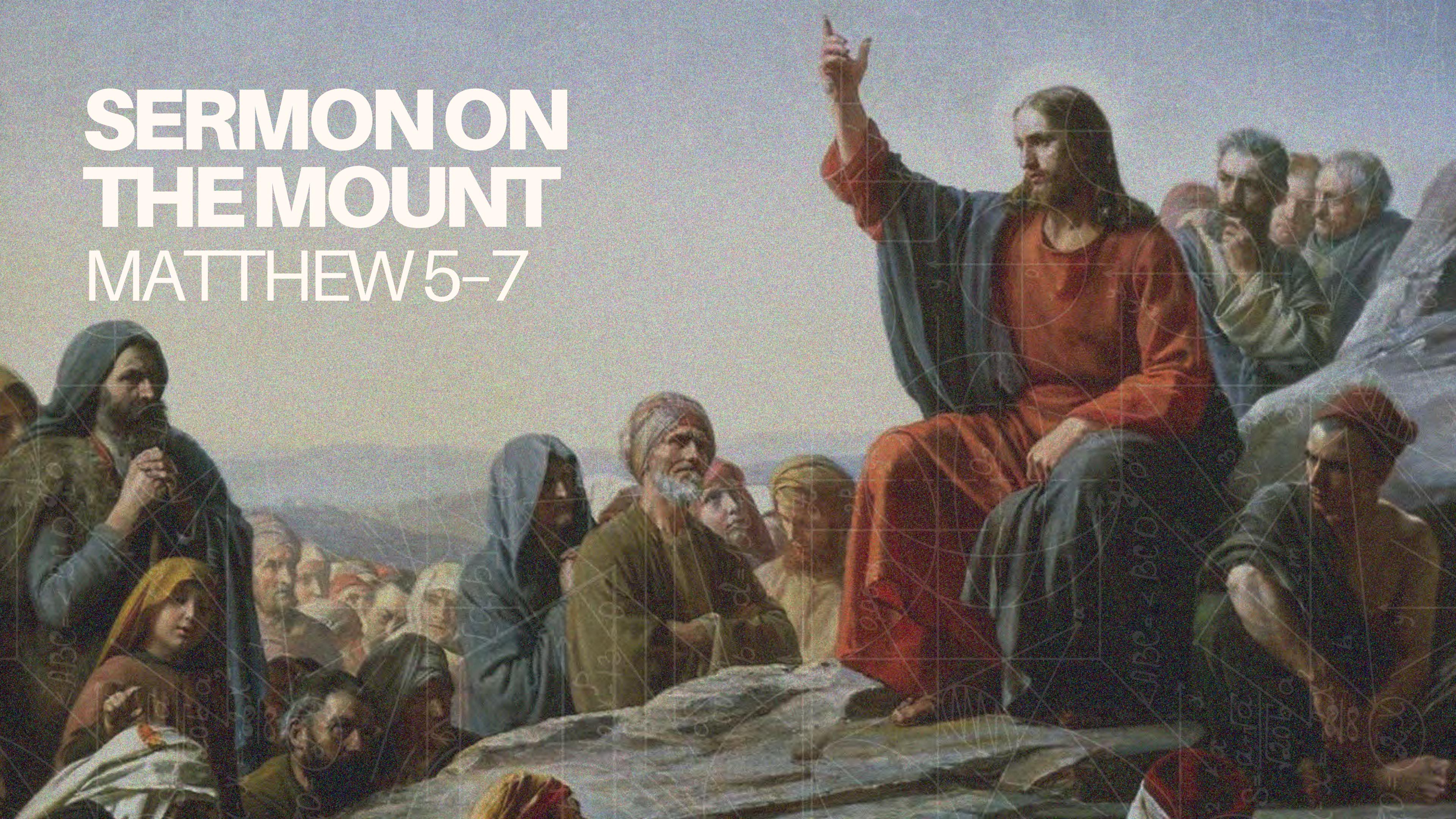
And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.



If you take the trouble to read the lives of the saints down the centuries, and the men who have been greatly used by God, you will find that, every time, they have been men who have taken the Sermon on the Mount not just seriously, but literally.

Dr. Martyn Lloyd Jones

SERMON ON THE MOUNT MATTHEW 5-7



MATTHEW 5:1-12

¹“And seeing the multitudes, He went up on a mountain,
and when He was seated His disciples came to Him.

²Then He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:

MATTHEW 5:1-12

3“Blessed are the poor in spirit,
For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
4 Blessed are those who mourn,
For they shall be comforted.

MATTHEW 5:1-12

5 Blessed are the meek,

For they shall inherit the earth.

6Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,

For they shall be filled.

MATTHEW 5:1-12

⁷Blessed are the merciful,
For they shall obtain mercy.

⁸Blessed are the pure in heart,
For they shall see God.

MATTHEW 5:1-12

⁹ Blessed are the peacemakers,
For they shall be called sons of God.

¹⁰Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

MATTHEW 5:1-12

11 Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake.

12 Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

ATTITUDE

Manner of acting, feeling, or thinking that shows one's disposition and opinion.

4 AREAS OF TRANSFORMATION HAPPEN WHEN IMITATING CHRIST

TWO

TRANSFORMED RELATIONSHIPS

LOVE AS JESUS LOVED

JOHN 13:34-35

34 A new commandment I give to you,
that you love one another; as I have
loved you, that you also love one another.

35 By this all will know that you are My disciples,
if you have love for one another.

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THREE

TRANSFORMED HABITS

TRAIN AS JESUS TRAINED

LUKE 2:52

And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature,
and in favor with God and men.

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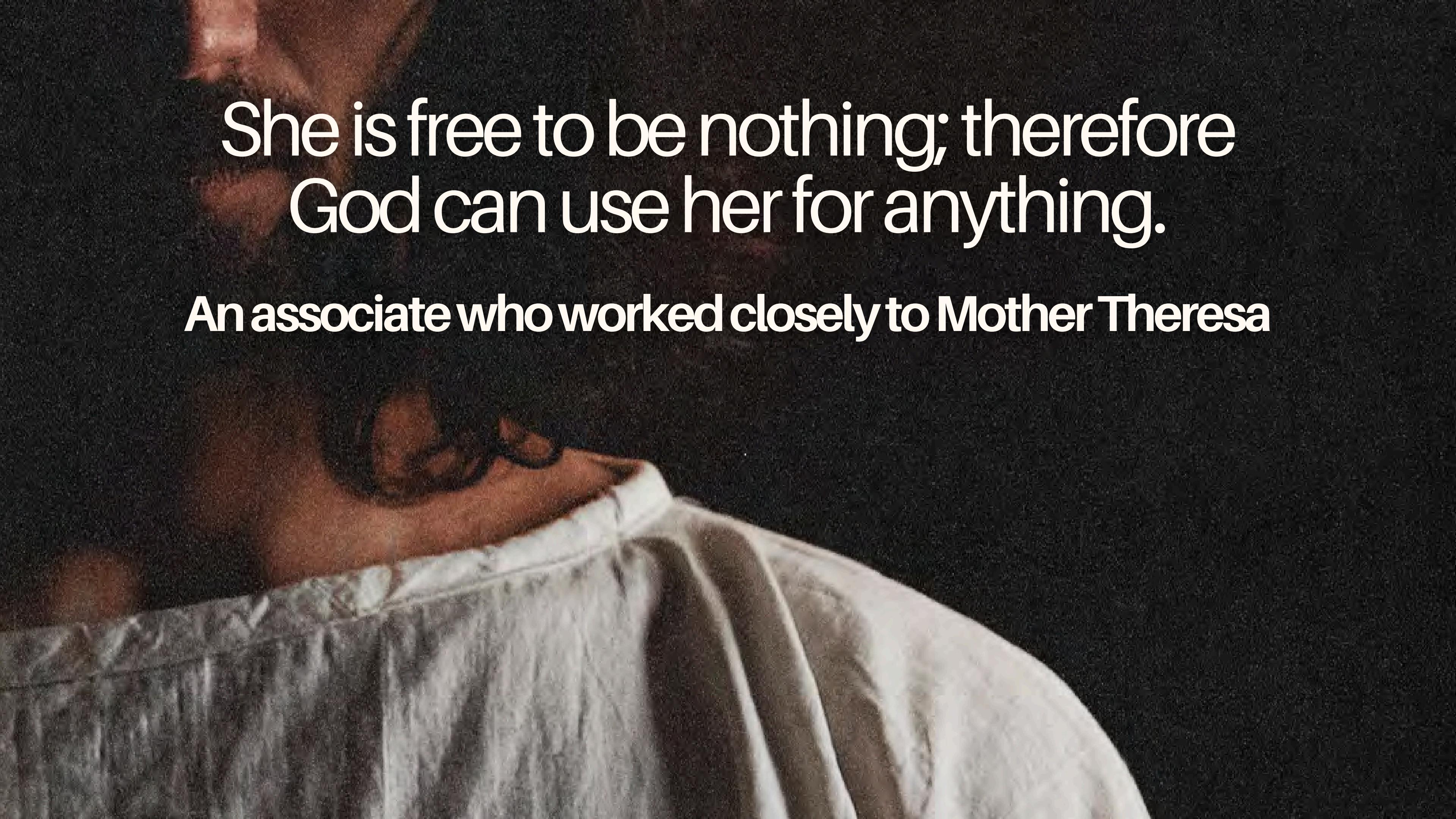
FOUR

TRANSFORMED SERVICE

MINISTER AS JESUS MINISTERED

MARK 10:45

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served,
but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.



She is free to be nothing; therefore
God can use her for anything.

An associate who worked closely to Mother Theresa

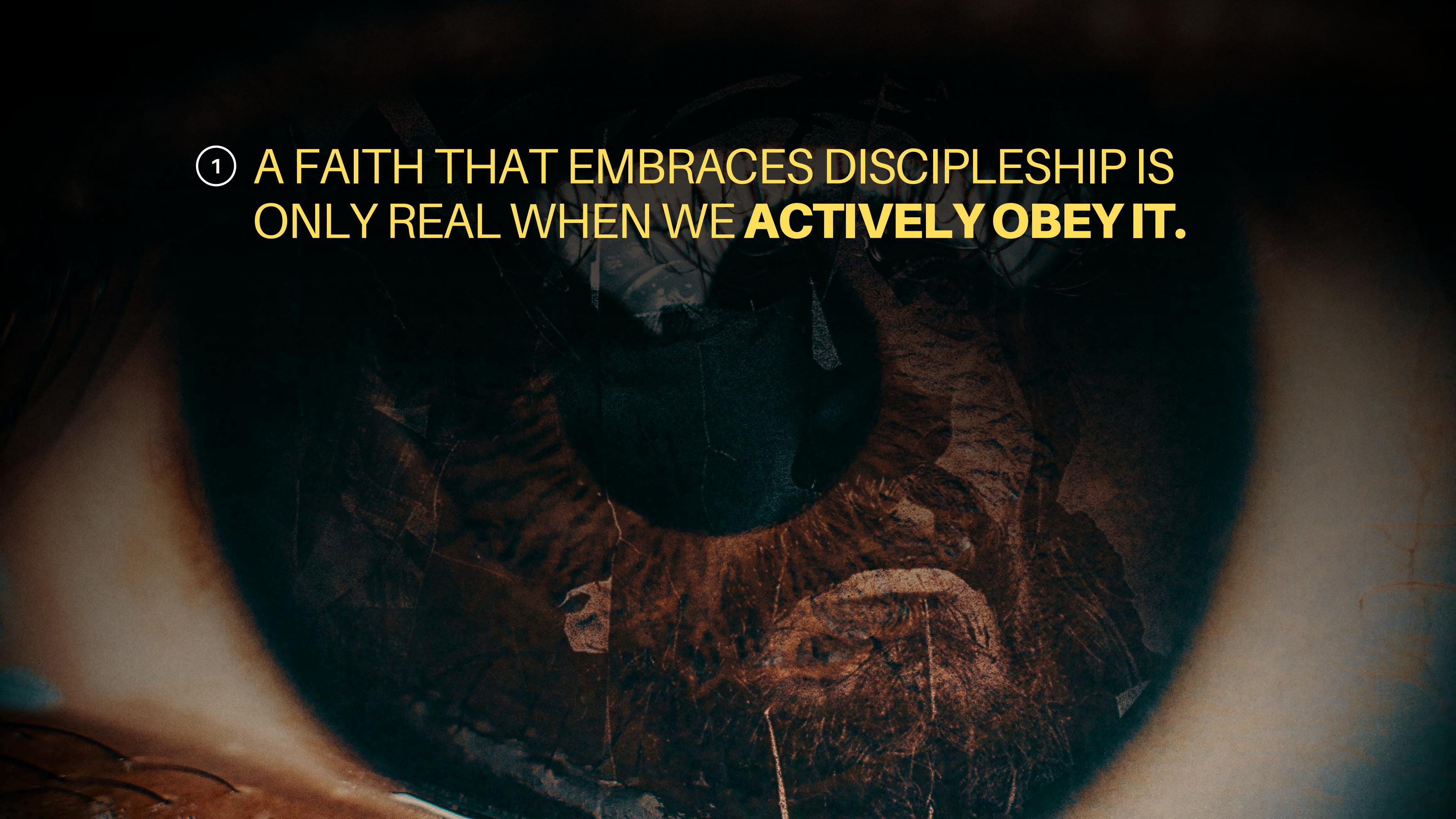
HEBREWS 12:1-2

¹ Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ²looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

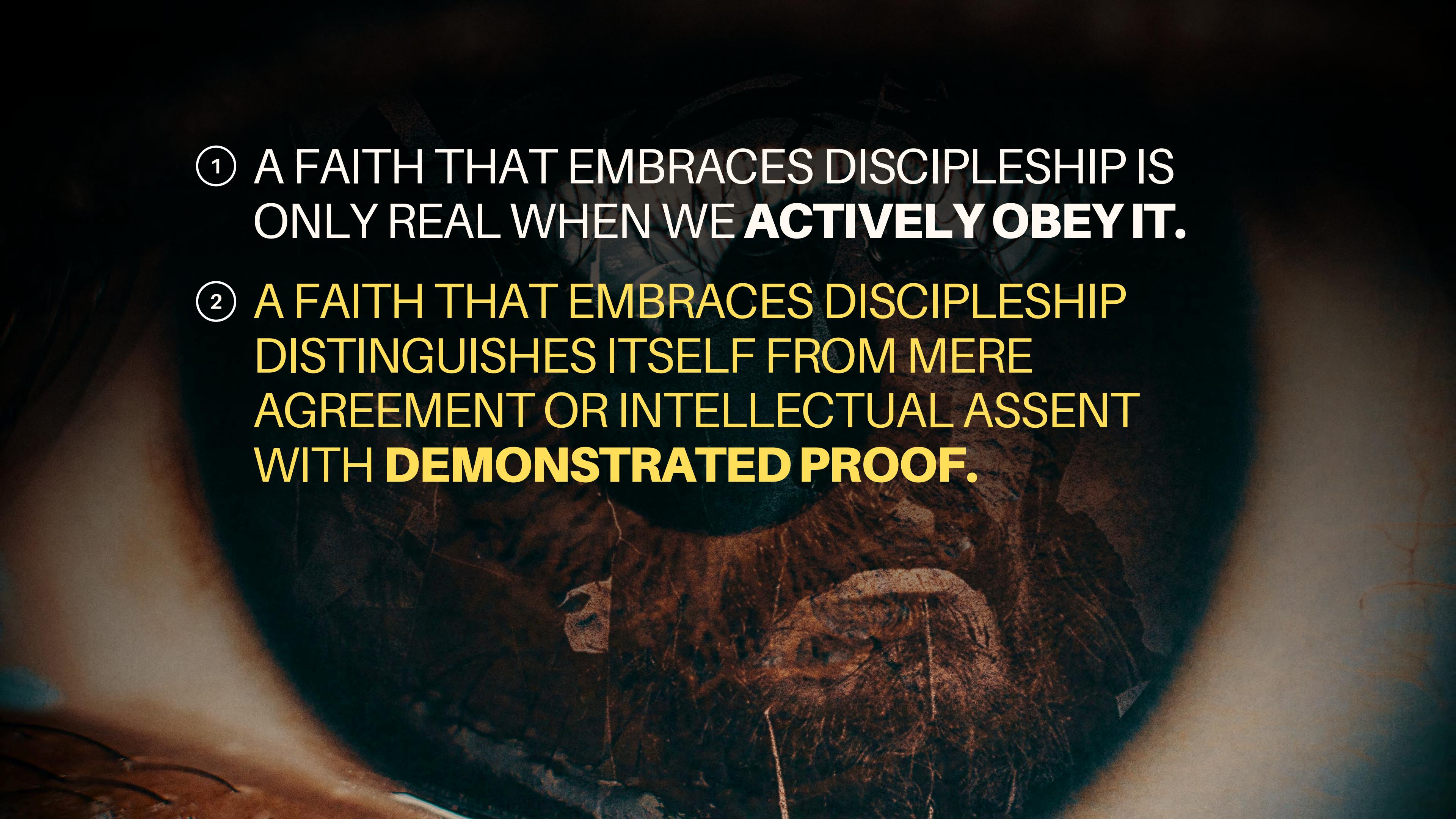
JAMES 2:14, 17

¹⁴What does it profit, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can faith save him?...

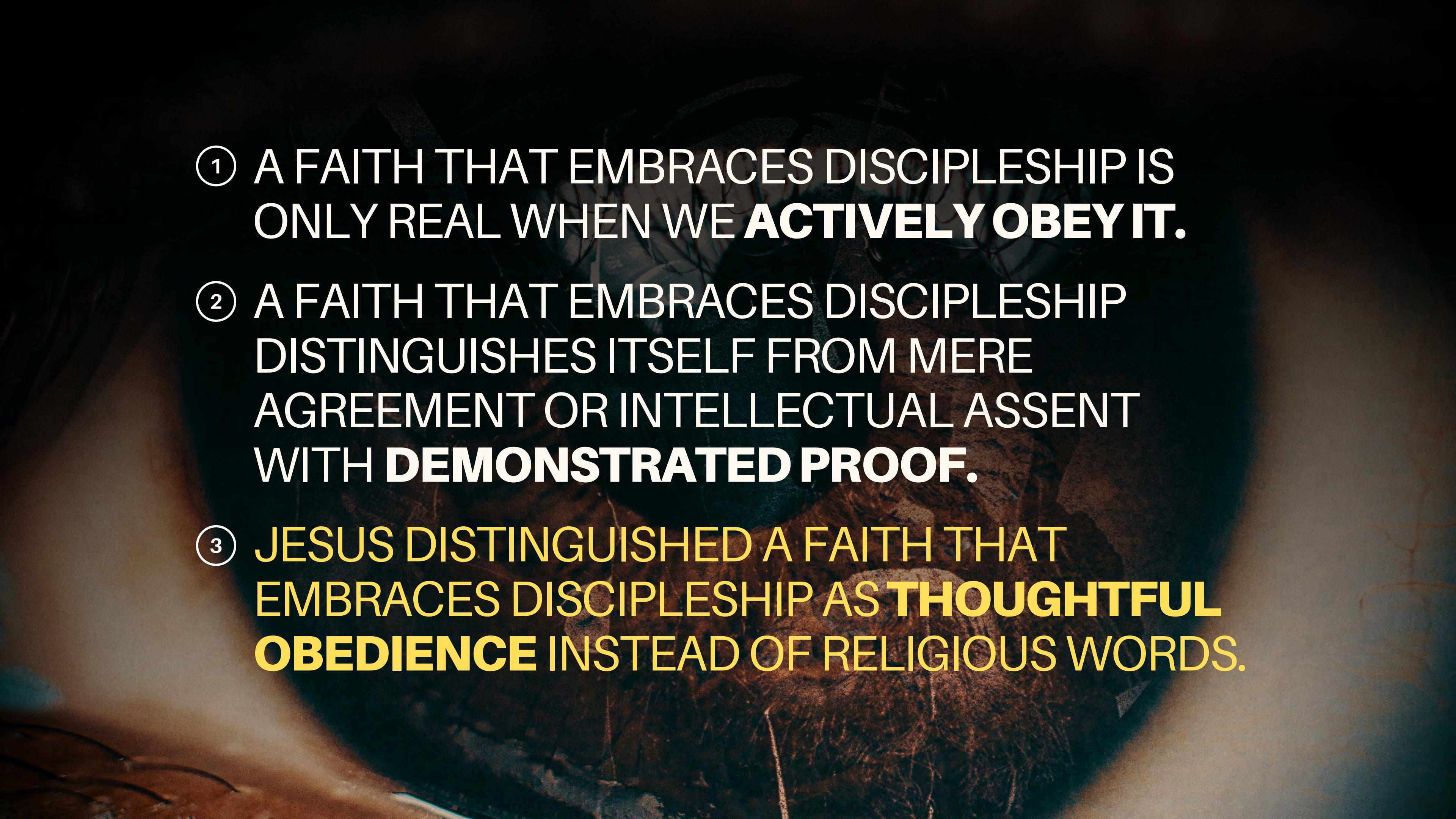
¹⁷Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.



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JOHN 15:7-8

⁷ If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.

⁸ By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.