

LET THE
Psalms
SPEAK



Our God Saves

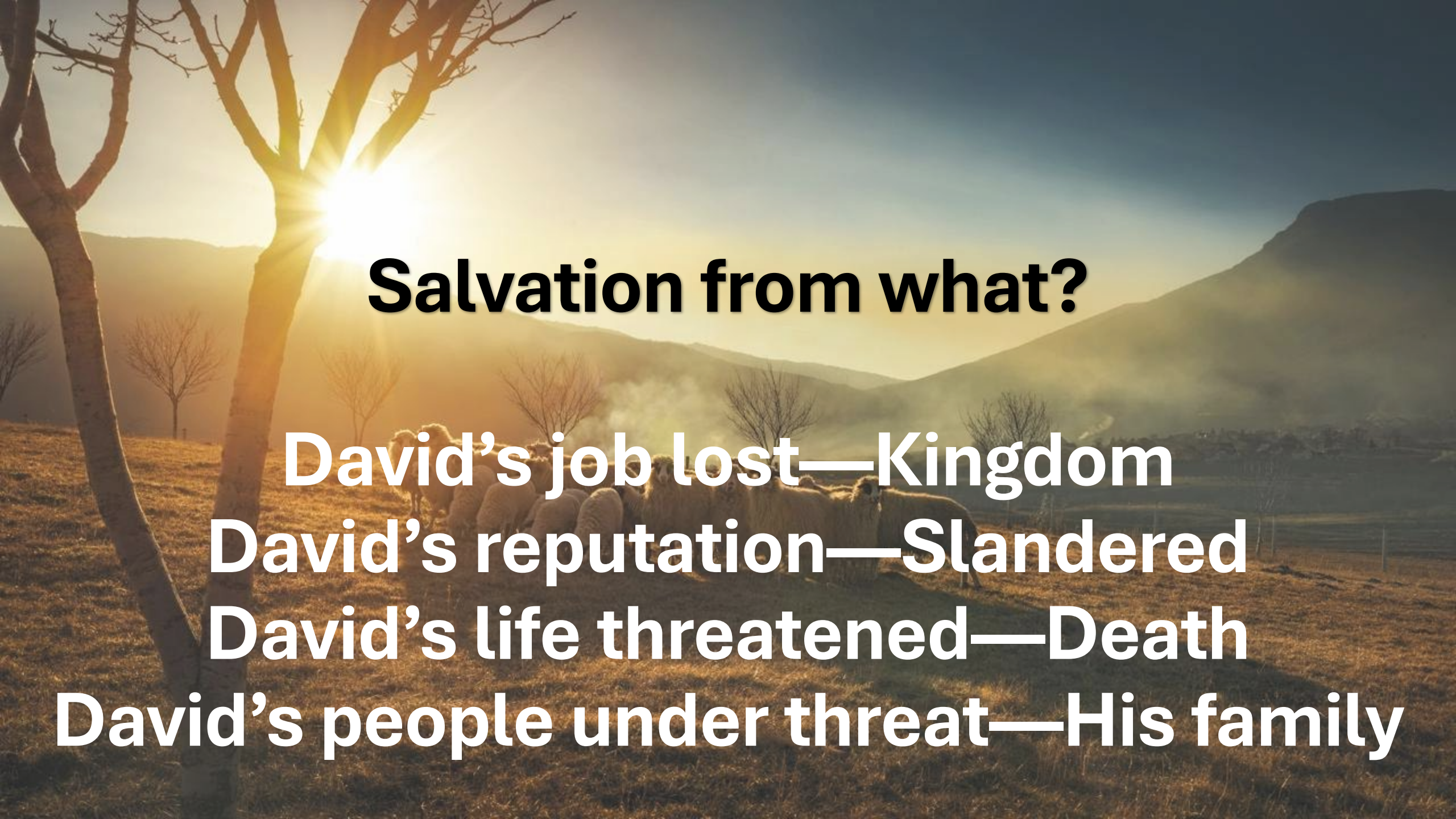
Psalm 3

Salvation belongs to the Lord





Psalm 56—Philistines seize David in Gath
Psalm 57—David hides from Saul in a cave
Psalm 59—Assassins watch to catch David
Psalm 63—David in the desert of Judah
Psalm 142—David runs from Saul

The background image is a landscape photograph. In the foreground, a flock of sheep is grazing in a field. To the left, a large, leafless tree stands with its branches reaching towards the sky. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a strong lens flare and casting a warm, golden light across the scene. In the background, there are rolling hills and mountains under a clear sky.

Salvation from what?

David's job lost—Kingdom

David's reputation—Slandered

David's life threatened—Death

David's people under threat—His family

O Lord, how many are my foes!
Many are rising against me;
many are saying of my soul,
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Psalm 3:1-4

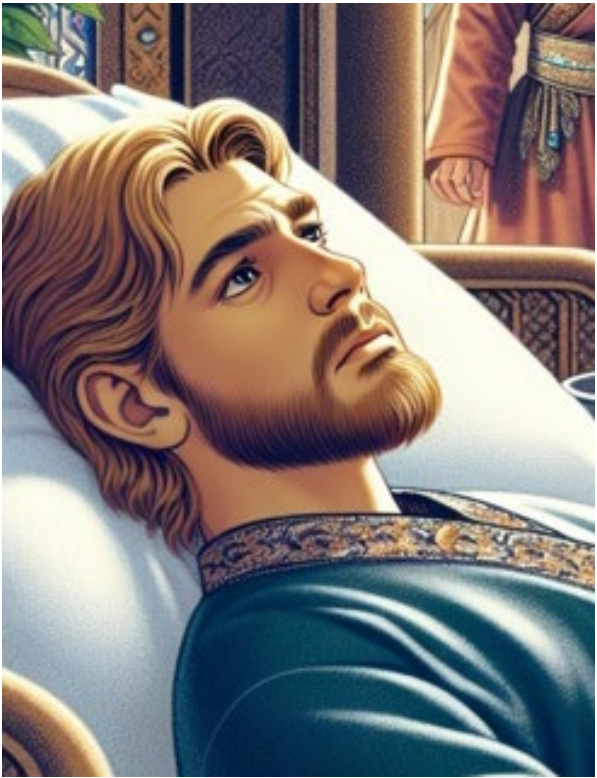
Ahithophel said to Absalom, “Let me choose twelve thousand men, and I will arise and pursue David tonight. I will come upon him while he is a weary and discouraged and throw him into a panic, and all the people who are with him will flee. I will strike down only the king.”





Absalom's Rebellion 2 Samuel 15-17

Amnon



Tamar



Absalom

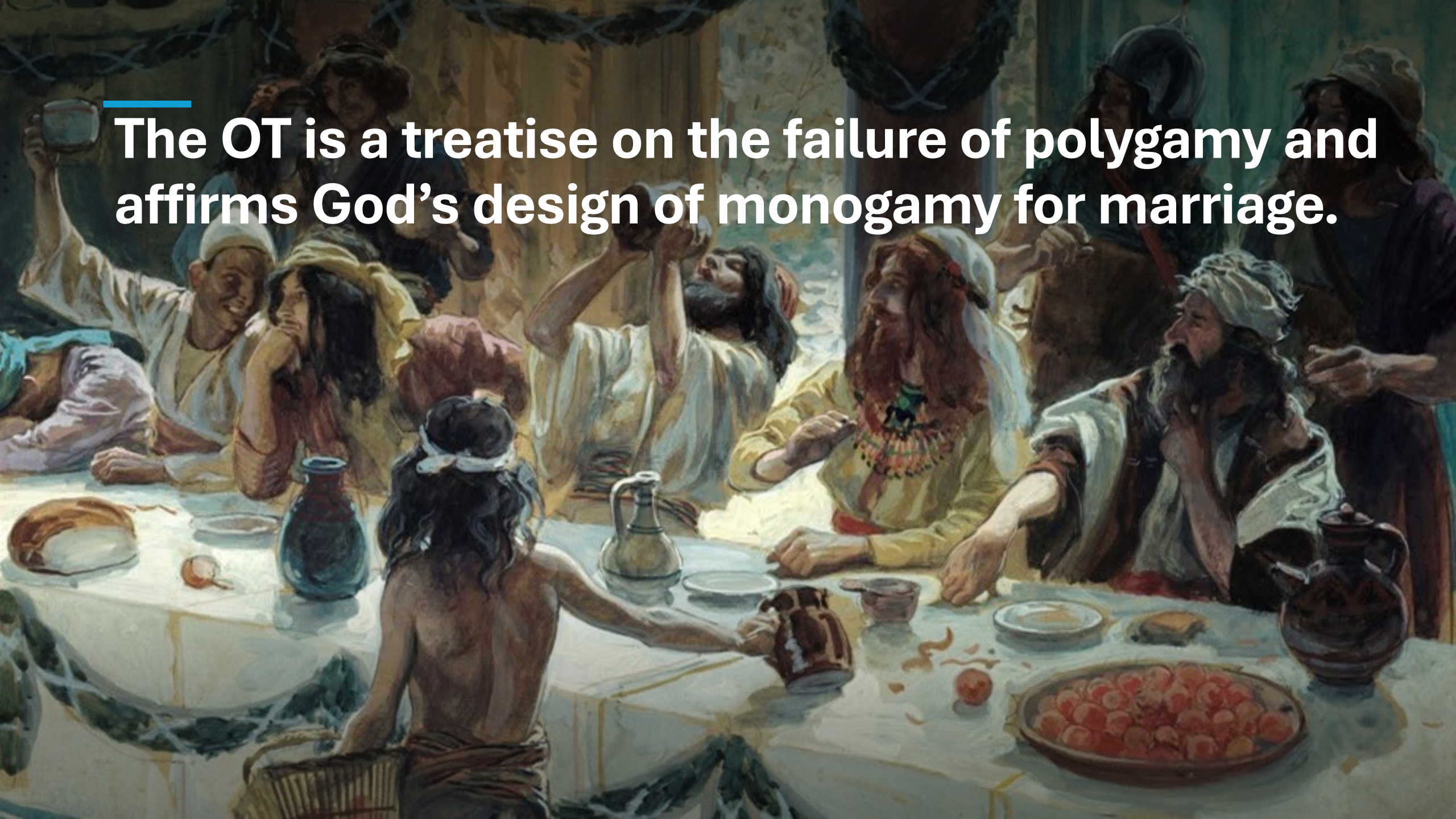


Let my sister Tamar come to give me
bread to eat





**Mark when Amnon's heart is merry with wine...then
kill him**

A detailed painting depicting a biblical scene, likely the Feast of the Last Supper. A group of men and women in ancient Middle Eastern clothing are gathered around a long table covered with a white cloth. The table is laden with various items: a large platter of red fruit (possibly grapes or pomegranates), several small cups and plates, and a large dark pitcher. One man in the center is raising a cup in a toast, while others are engaged in conversation or eating. The background shows more people and architectural details, creating a sense of a large, significant gathering. The lighting is warm and focused on the central figures.

The OT is a treatise on the failure of polygamy and affirms God's design of monogamy for marriage.

**Now Joab...knew that the king's
heart went out to Absalom**



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**Absalom stole
the hearts of
the men of
Israel**



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**Arise, let us
flee, or else
there will be no
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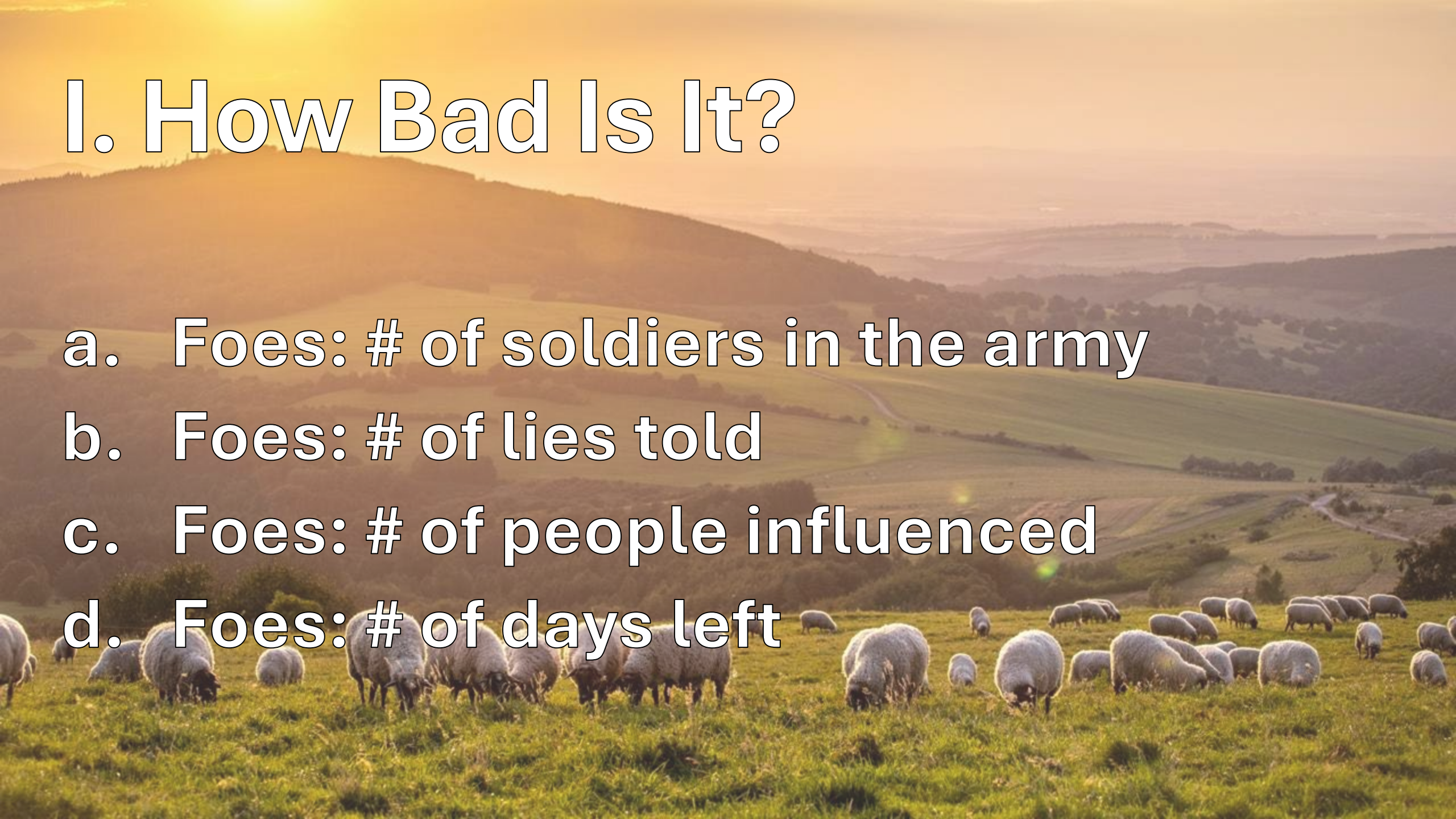
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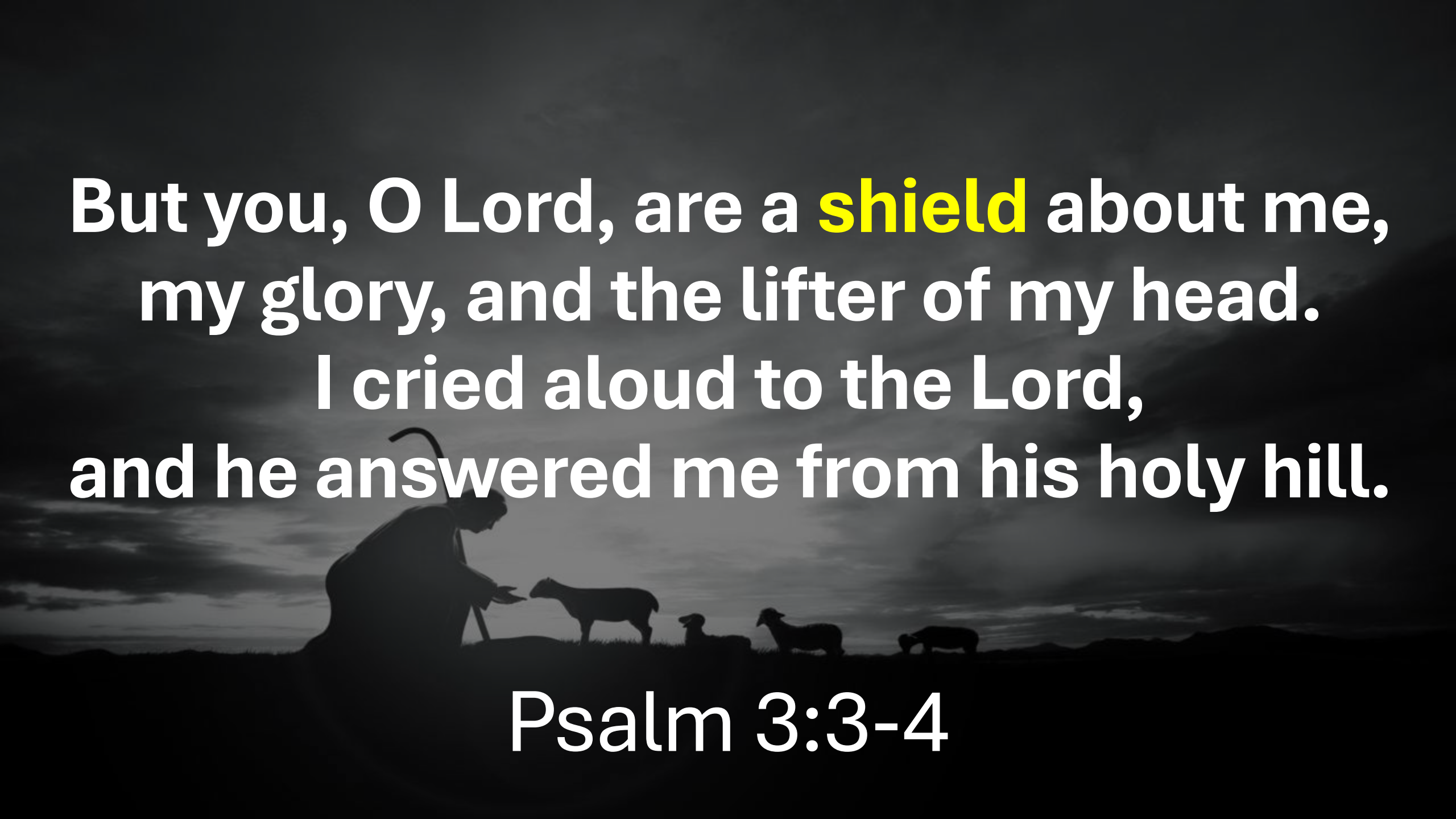
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A silhouette of a shepherd with a staff and sheep against a cloudy sky.

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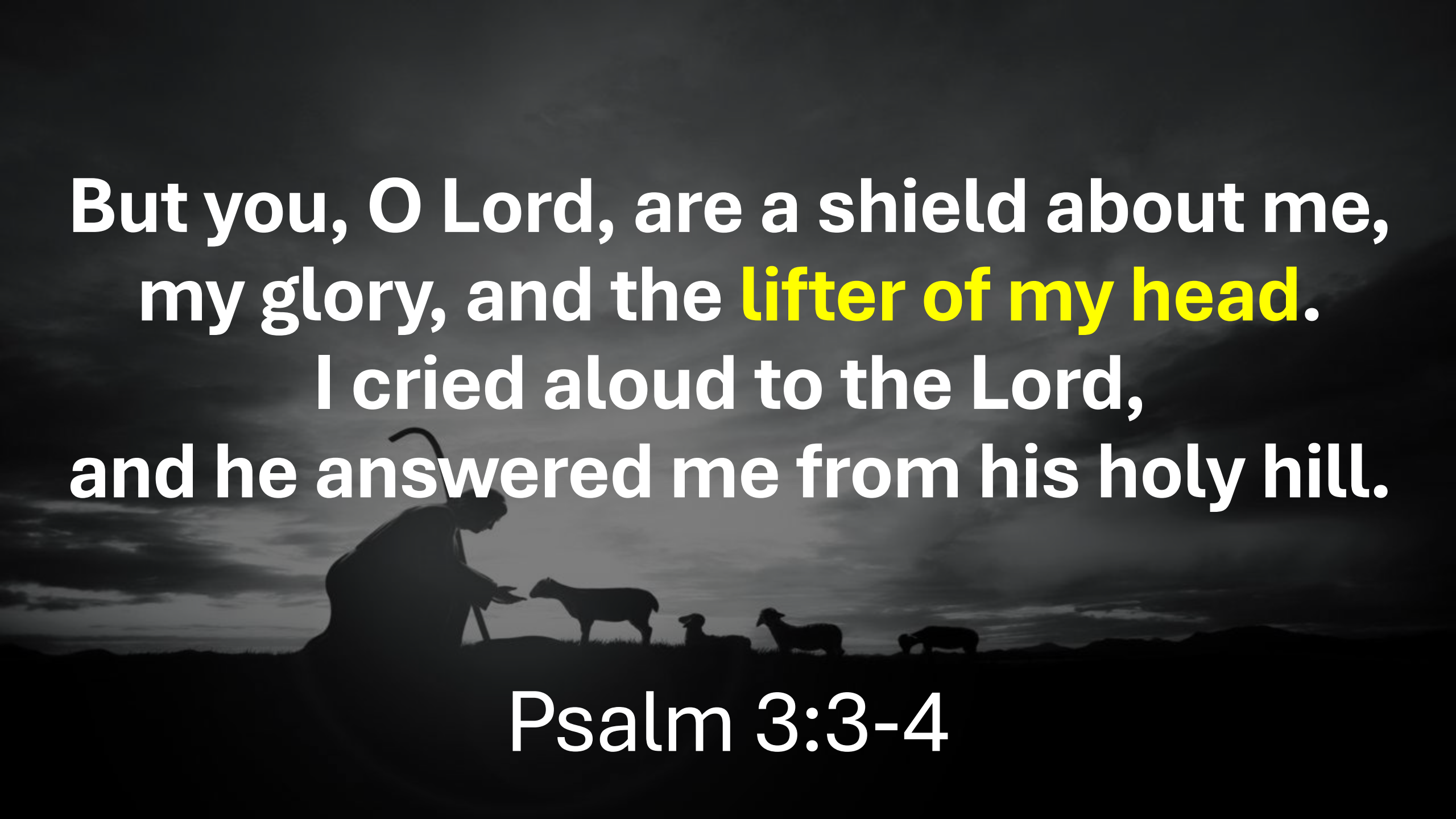
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**Hushai—Caused discord in counsel
Zadok & Abiathar—Counter Intel
Barzillai—Supply and relief**

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sustained me.**

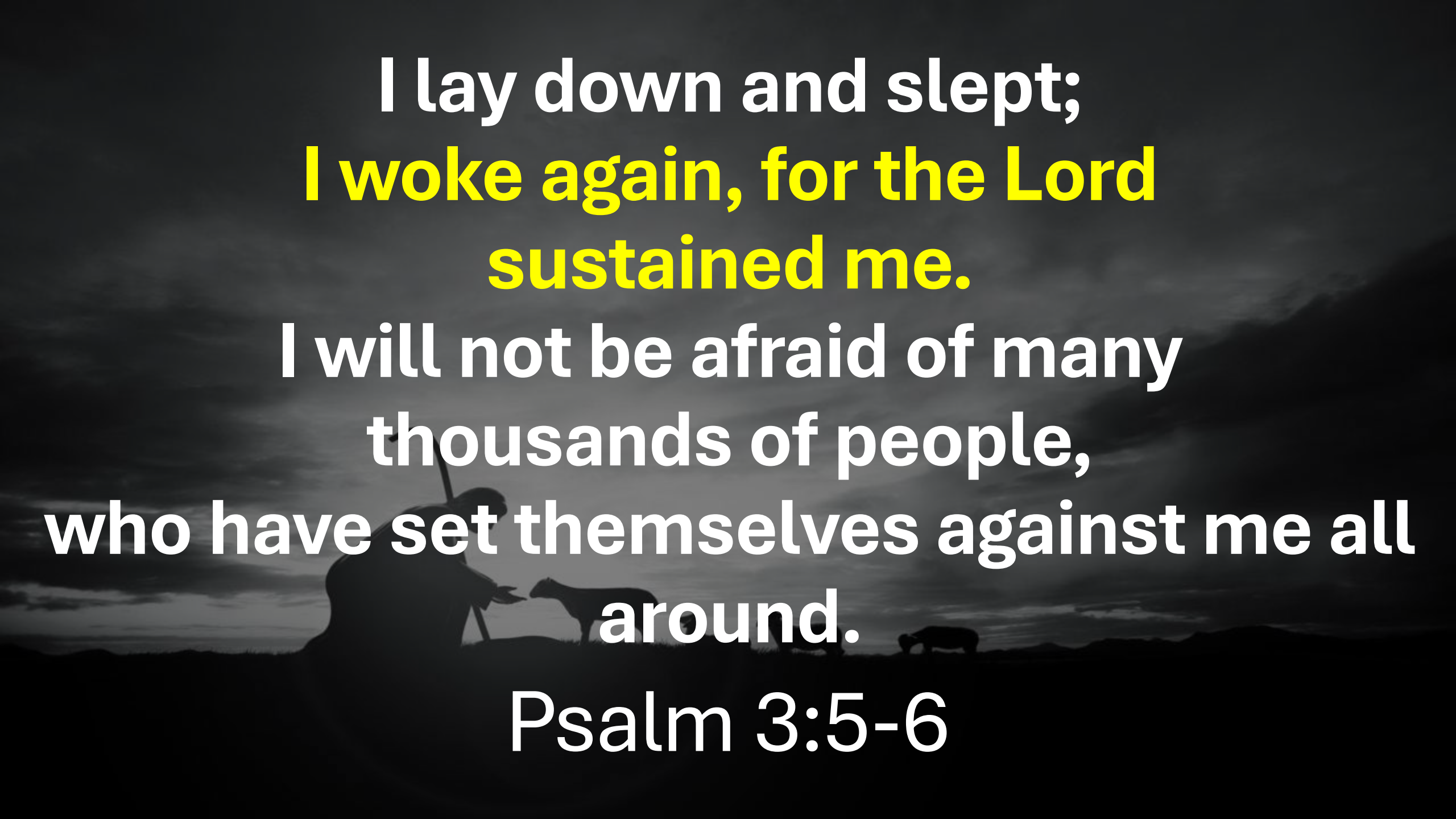
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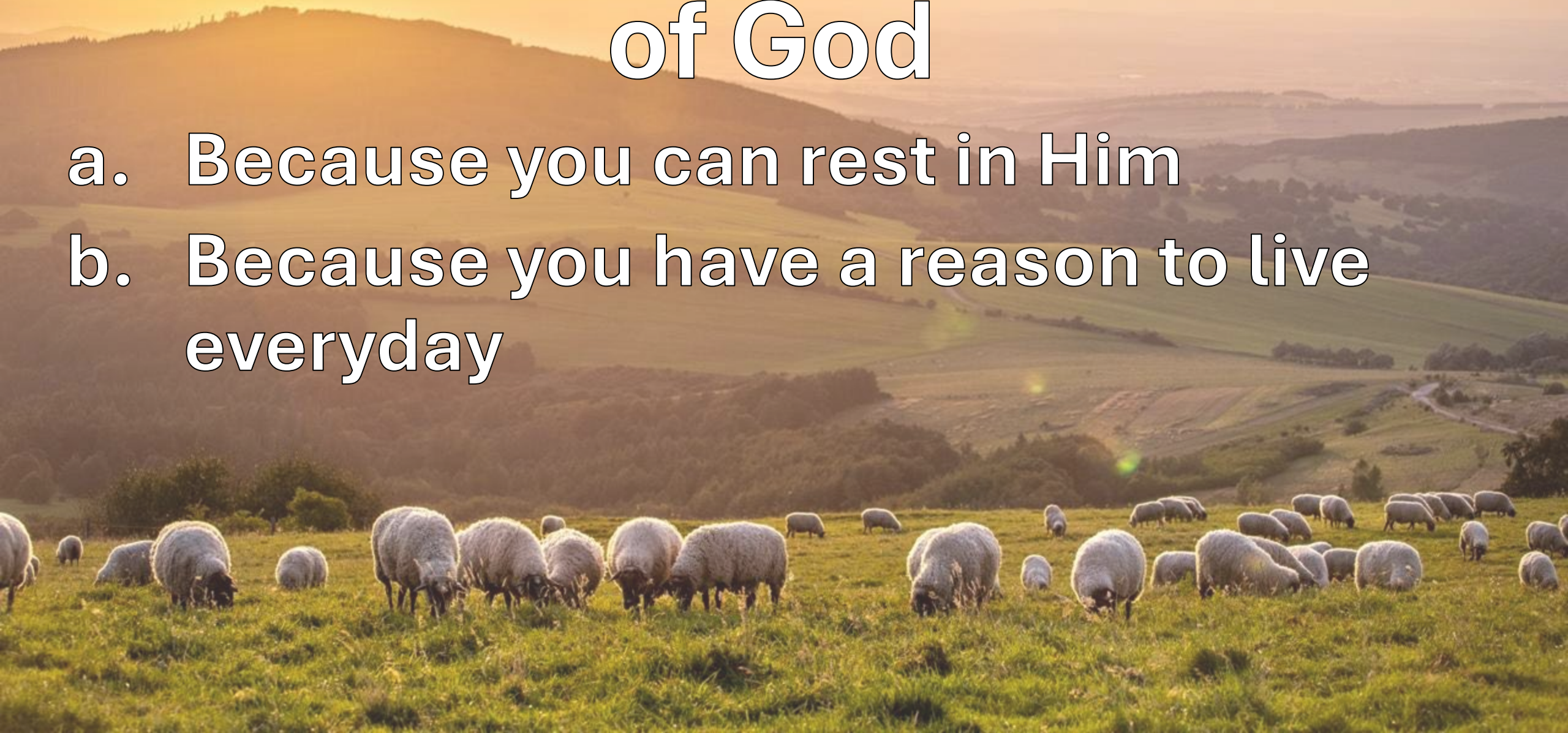
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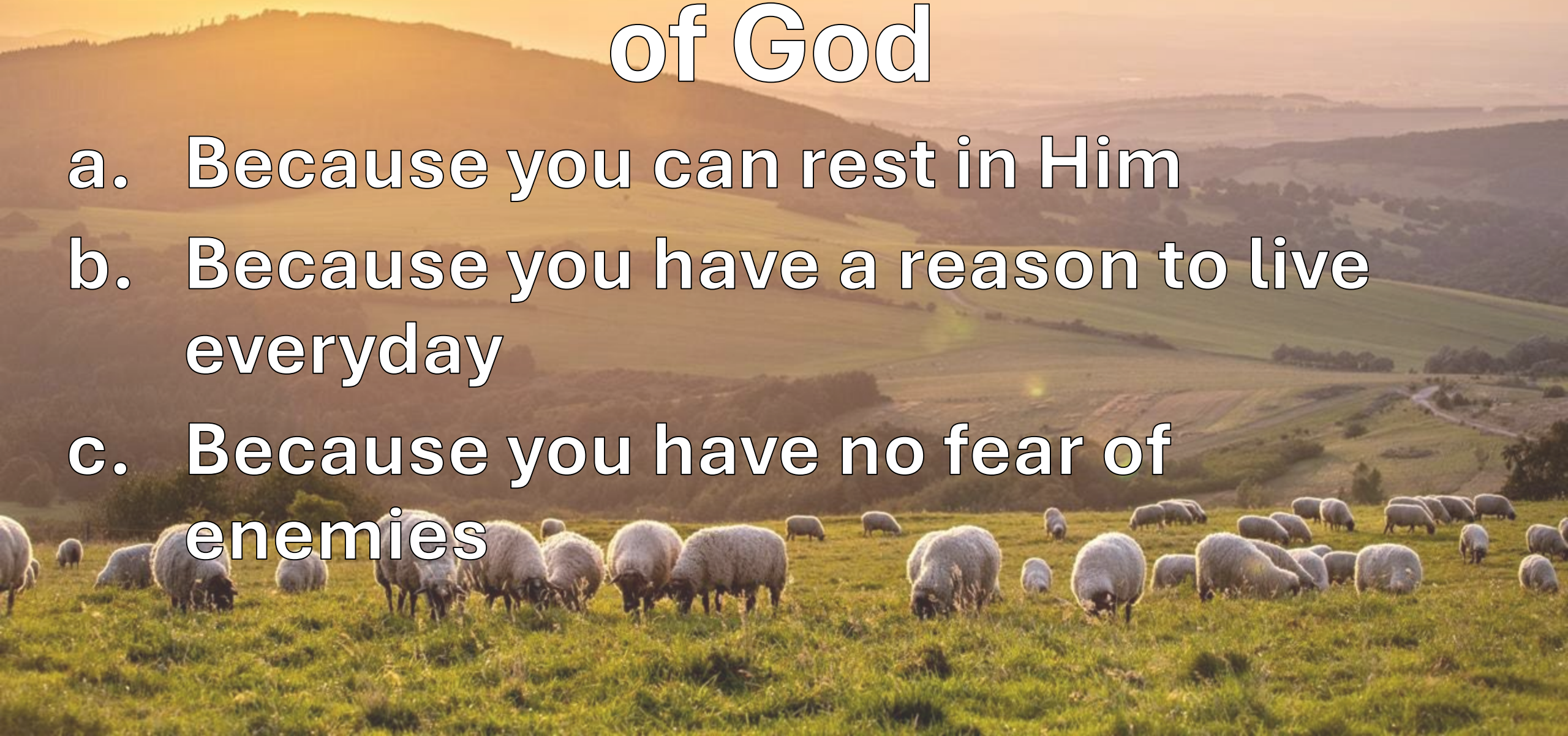
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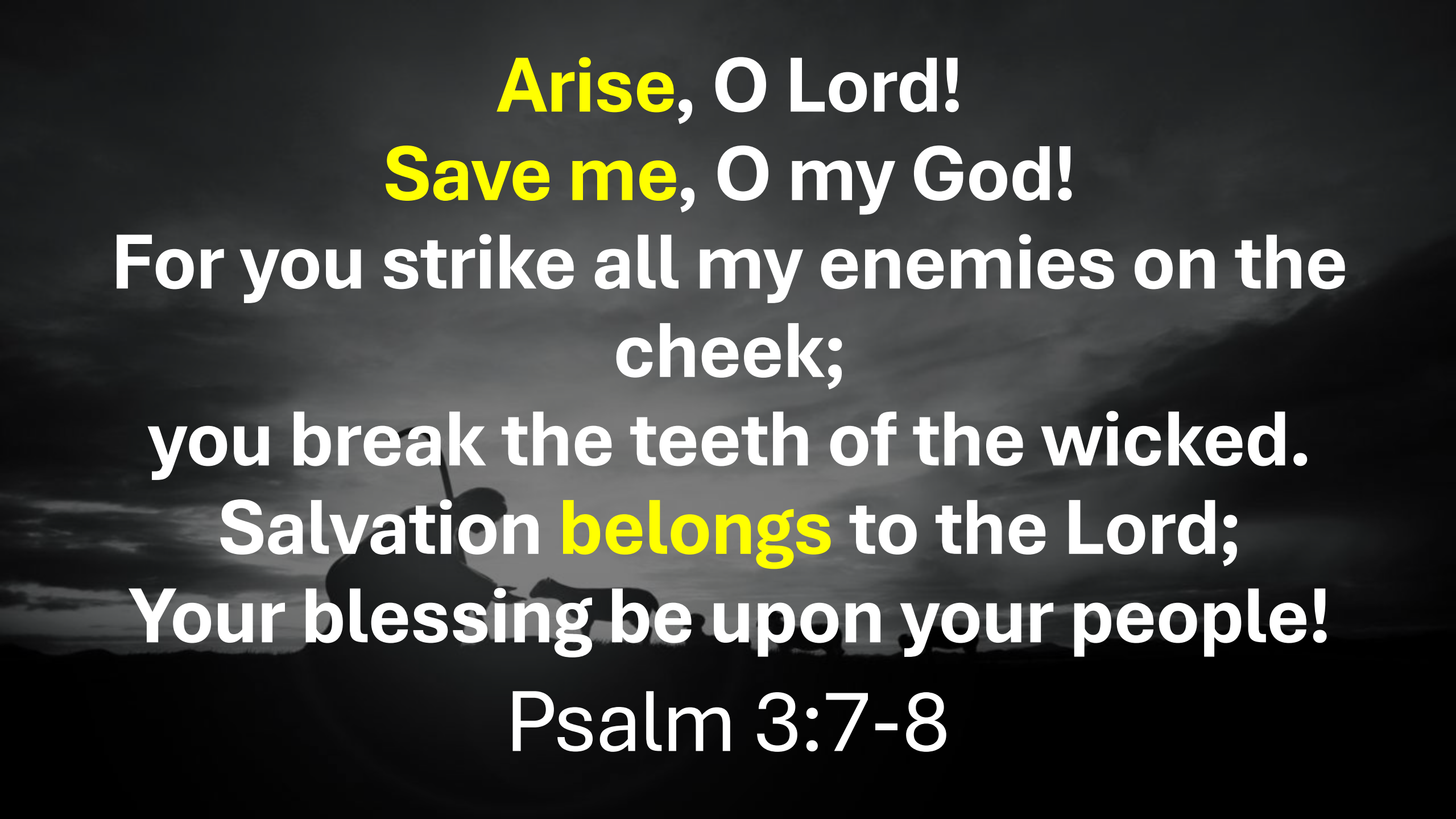
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- c. Because you have no fear of enemies





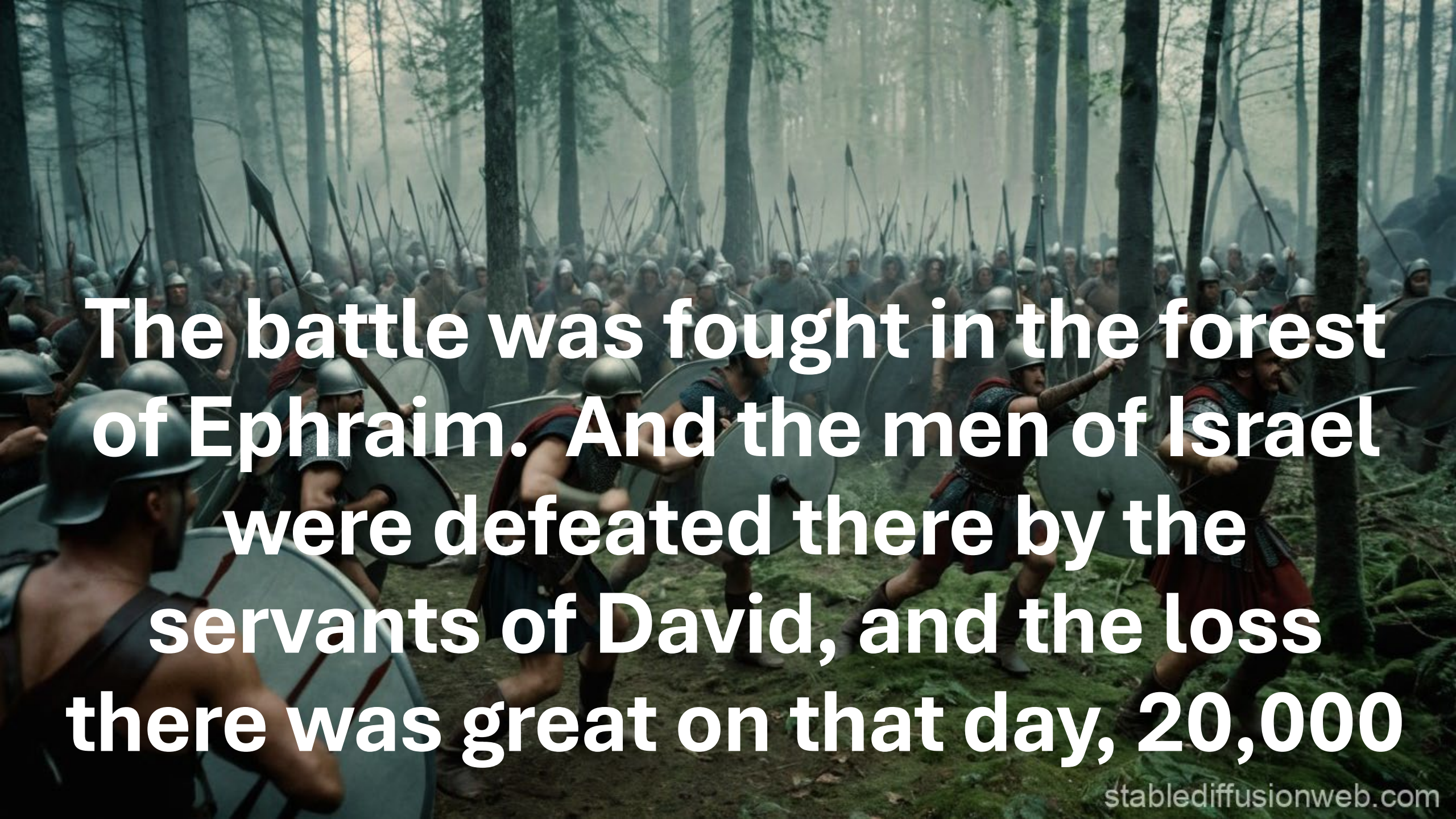
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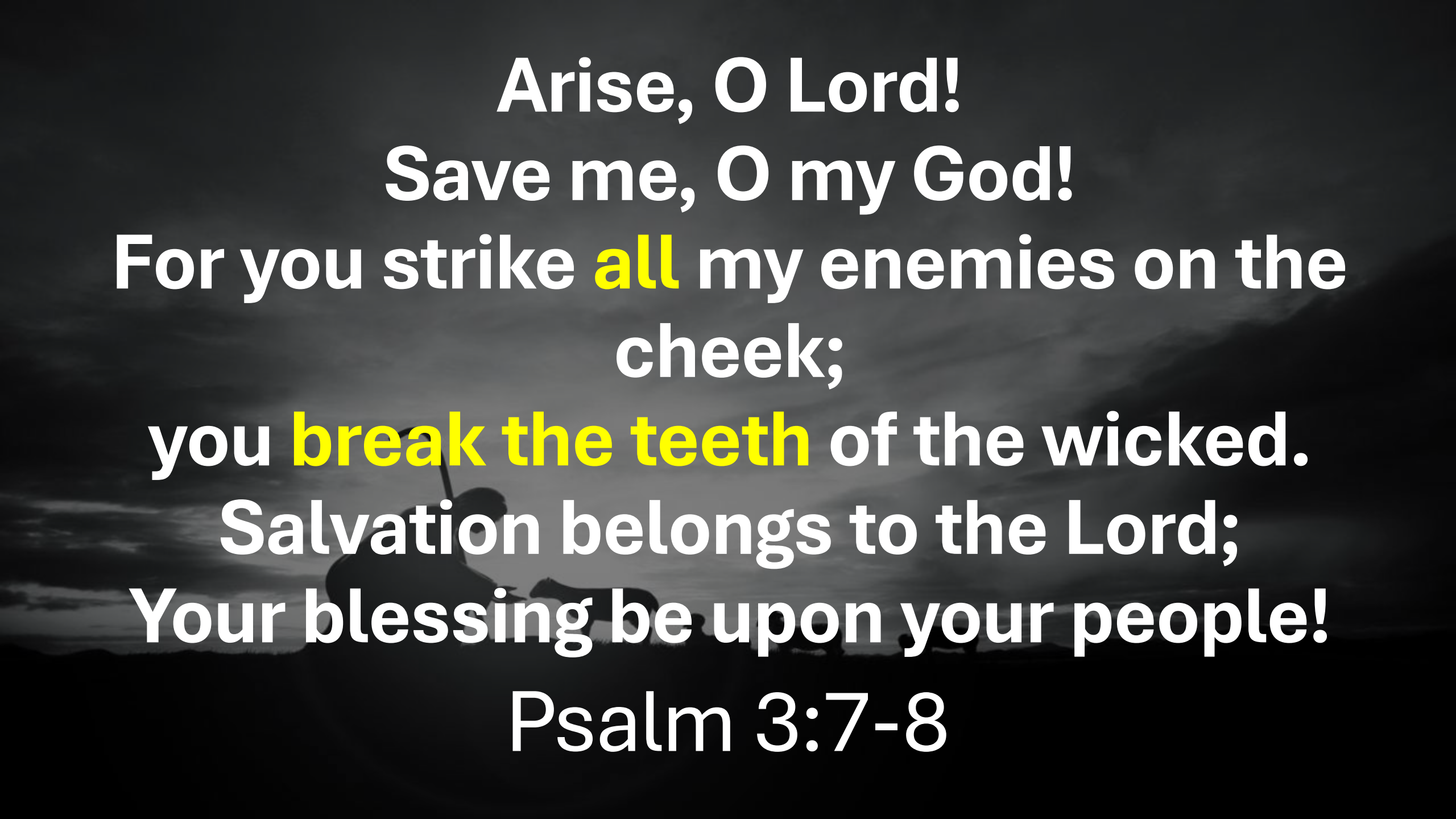
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The battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. And the men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the loss there was great on that day, 20,000



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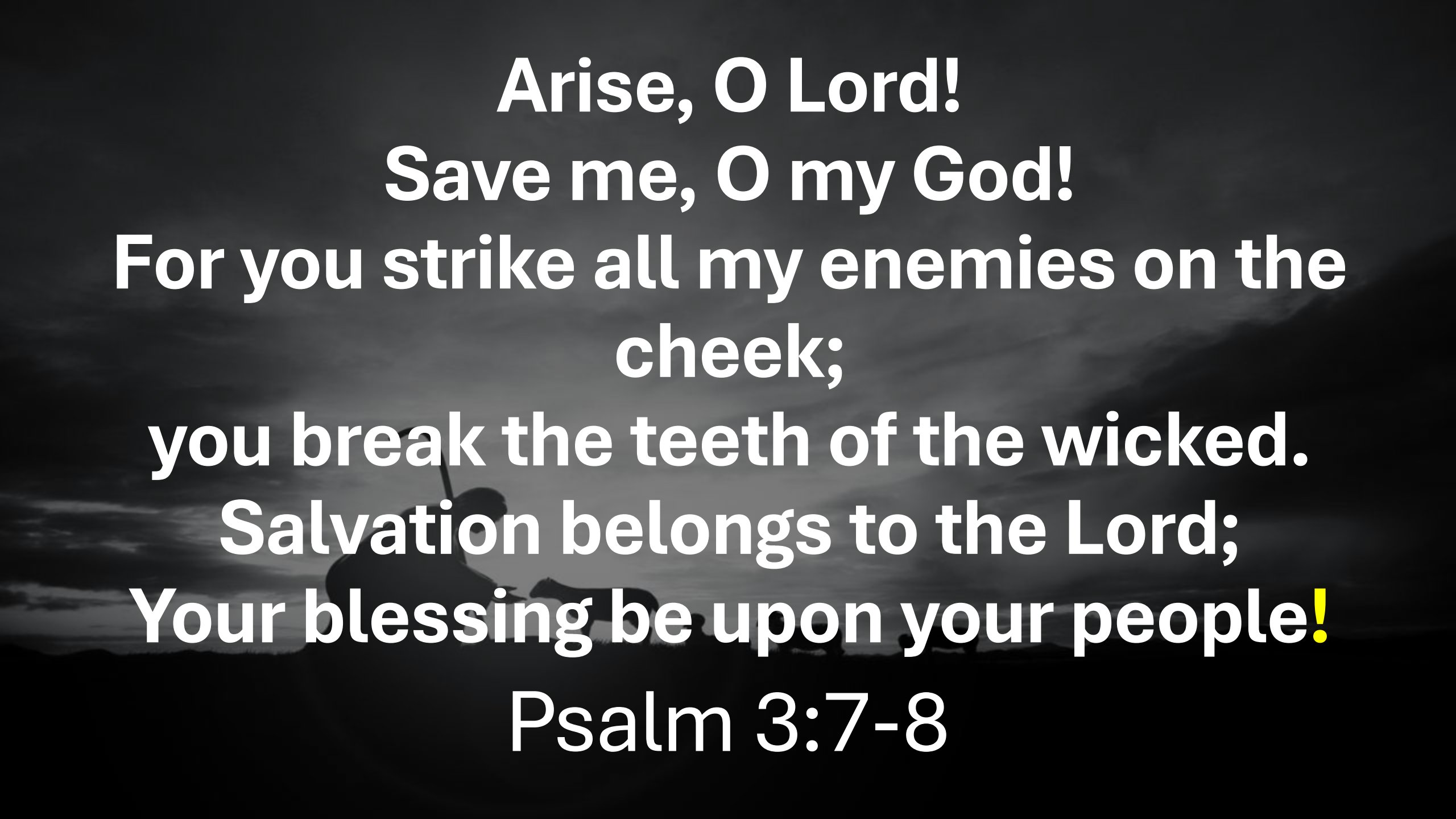




THE FALL OF KING ABSALOM



Balage



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