



ROMMANS

THE ROAD OF FAITH

Marks of a True Christian

(17x)

Love one another

Romans 12:9-15

Marks of a
True
Christian

Genuine Love

**Look for ways to be
hospitable**

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**Give provision for Church
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Marks of a True Christian

- **Christian community is something you love**
- **We get excited about serving our family**
- **We understand that faith is found in perseverance**
- **We give life to the body as much as we take it**
- **Deep relationships is something you find**





"I REALLY HATE THAT MAN."

Marks of a True Christian 2

(14x)

Live in Harmony with one another

Romans 12:16-21

The Apostle Paul
adds 14 More
Marks of a True
Christian

1. **Live in Harmony**
2. **Don't be Stuck Up**
3. **Make Friends with Nobodies**
4. **Hold your opinions lightly**
5. **Don't hit back**
6. **Look for beauty in everyone**
7. **If you got it in you, get along with everyone**
8. **Don't assemble the Avengers**
9. **Let God be the Avenger**
10. **Feed your enemies**
11. **Give drink to thirsty enemies**
12. **Draw the attention of enemies with your kindness**

13. **Don't let evil overpower you**
14. **You overpower evil with good**

Steven Covey Has 7 Habits of Highly Effective People

7 Habits of Highly Effective People

- Be Proactive
- Begin With the End in Mind
- Put First Things First
- Think Win-Win
- Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood
- Synergize
- Sharpen the Saw



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be overcome by **evil**, but overcome
evil with good.

Romans 12:17, 21

Marks of a True Christian part 2

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Evil = anything bad, deficient, harmful, wicked

Overcome = military term for overpower



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“To repay evil with evil is to immediately lose the battle to evil! If you hate the person who has wronged you, the person has won...when we identify “evil” too closely with the evildoer, we believe we need to destroy the evildoer in order to destroy evil. So it seems good to do evil; and we unwittingly become a pawn of the evil force behind the evildoer.”





**In becoming evil to beat evil, the ring-wearer would
have allowed evil to win**

Marks of a True Christian part 2

- 1. If we want peace, then do good to the one who has done harm to you**
 - a. When we do good, hatred and pride do not infect us**
 - b. When we do good, the hostile person may be led to change**


Marks of a True Christian part 2

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- 2. If we want peace + justice, then it depends on you**



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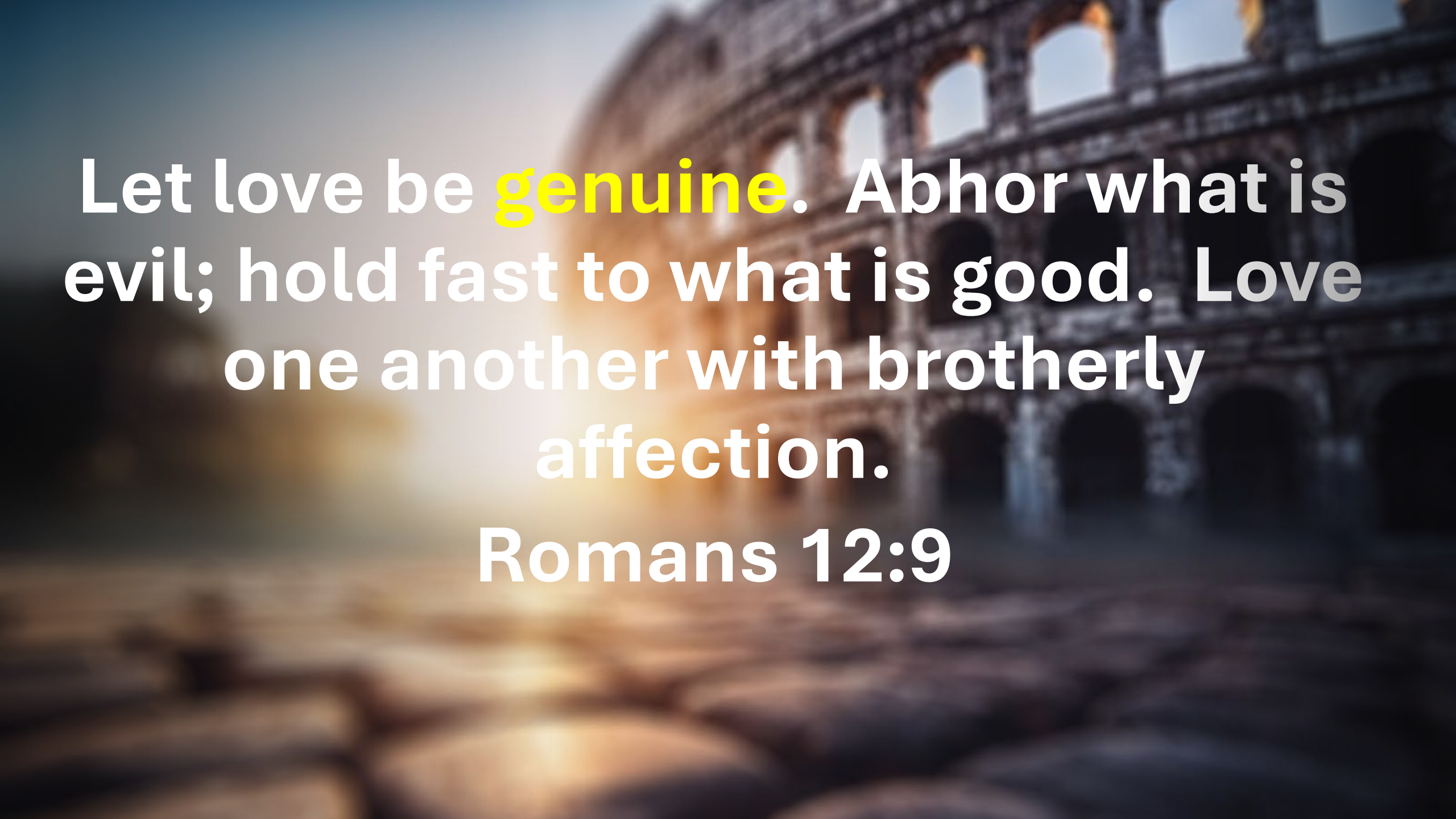


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- 2. If we want peace + justice, then it depends on you**
 - a. God wants his family to get along**
 - b. As long as you have it in you, try.**
 - c. There is one possibility where we don't try.**



Let love be **genuine**. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection.

Romans 12:9

Marks of a True Christian part 2

“We are not loving wisely or truly when we enable someone to sin or sin against us. Enemies may be so dangerous that to have anything to do with them is to invite them to sin. In that case, the “good” we can do them is to stay away from them.”

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Romans 12:19



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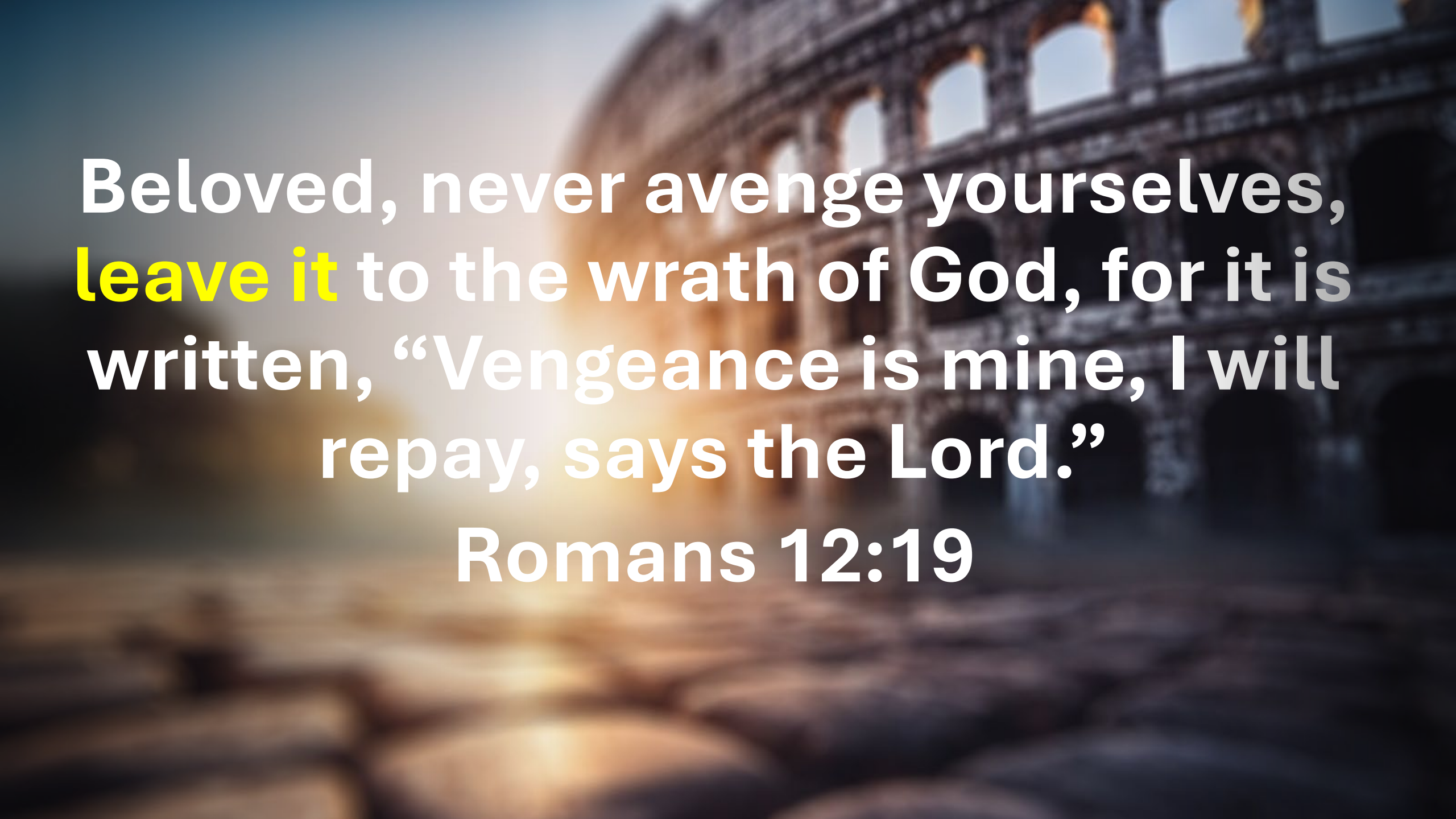


Because they **exchanged** the truth
about God for a lie...For this reason
God gave them up...
Romans 1:26



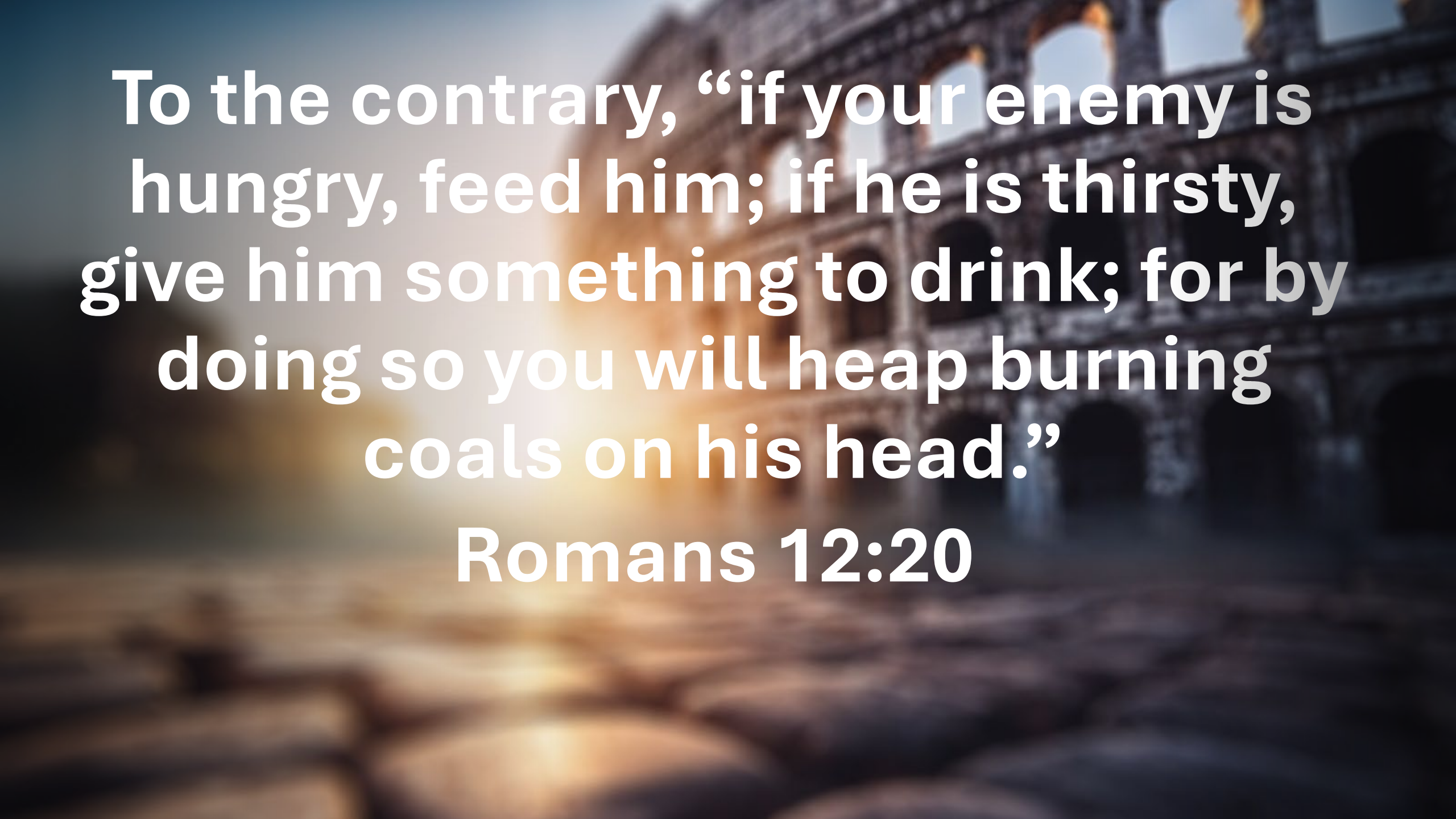
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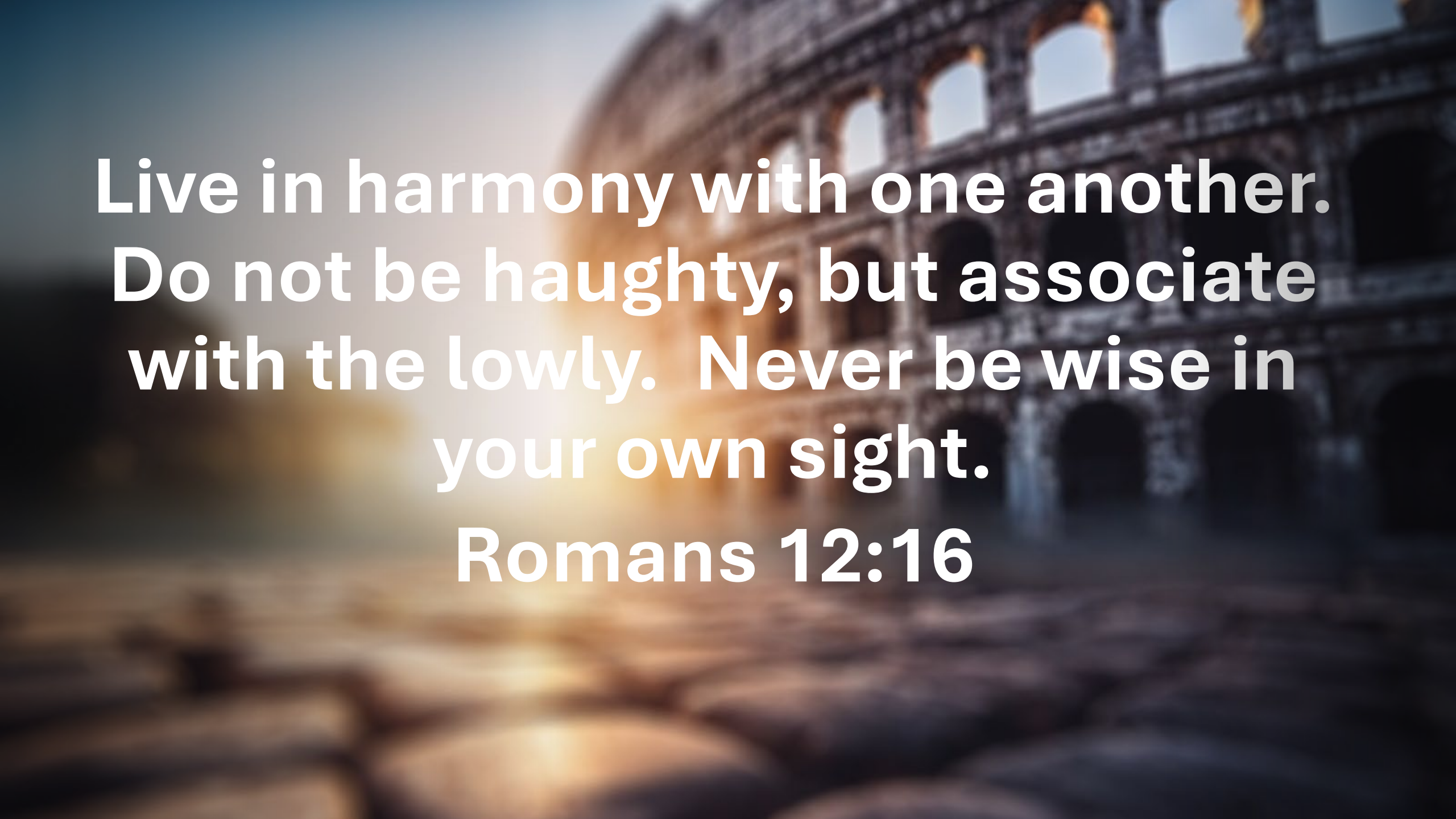


To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by doing so you will heap burning coals on his head.”

Romans 12:20

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 - a. Have faith in God's justice**
 - b. Make space for God's justice**
 - c. Don't avoid (payback?) the hostile person**



**Live in harmony with one another.
Do not be haughty, but associate
with the lowly. Never be wise in
your own sight.**

Romans 12:16



**Repay no one evil for evil, but give
thought to do what is honorable in
the sight of all.**

Romans 12:17

Marks of a True Christian part 2

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- 2. If we want peace + justice, then it depends on you**
- 3. Harmony is found through humility.**
 - a. Don't be stuck up**
 - b. Make friends with nobodies**
 - c. Hold opinions lightly**
 - d. Look for beauty in everyone**

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Let God Avenge



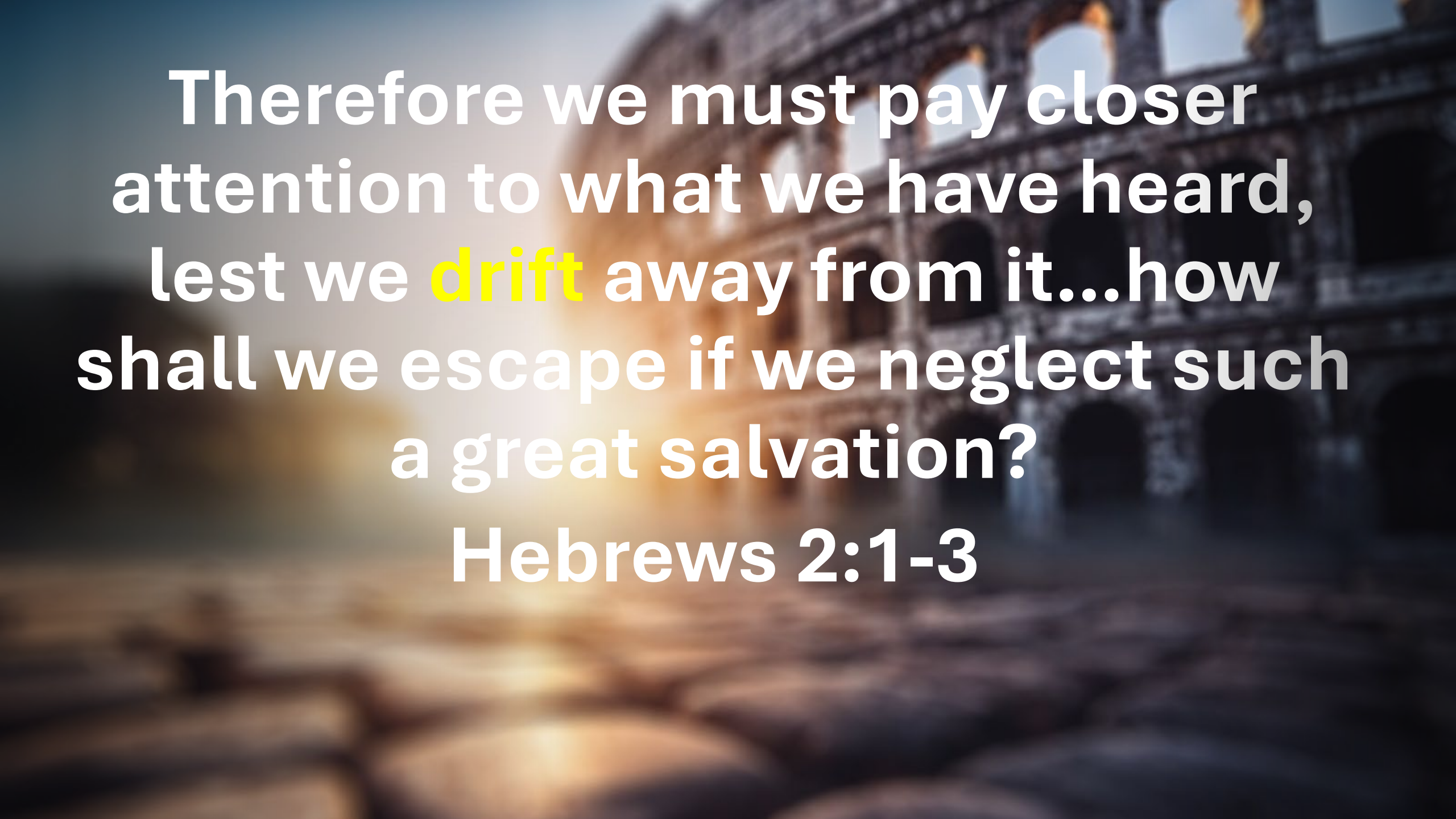
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Let enemies notice your
kindness



Therefore we must pay closer
attention to what we have heard,
lest we **drift** away from it...how
shall we escape if we neglect such
a great salvation?

Hebrews 2:1-3



The LOVE of Jesus:

“Take this cup from me”

what He felt

“Yet not my will but yours be done”

what he decided

“Father forgive them”

what he said



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