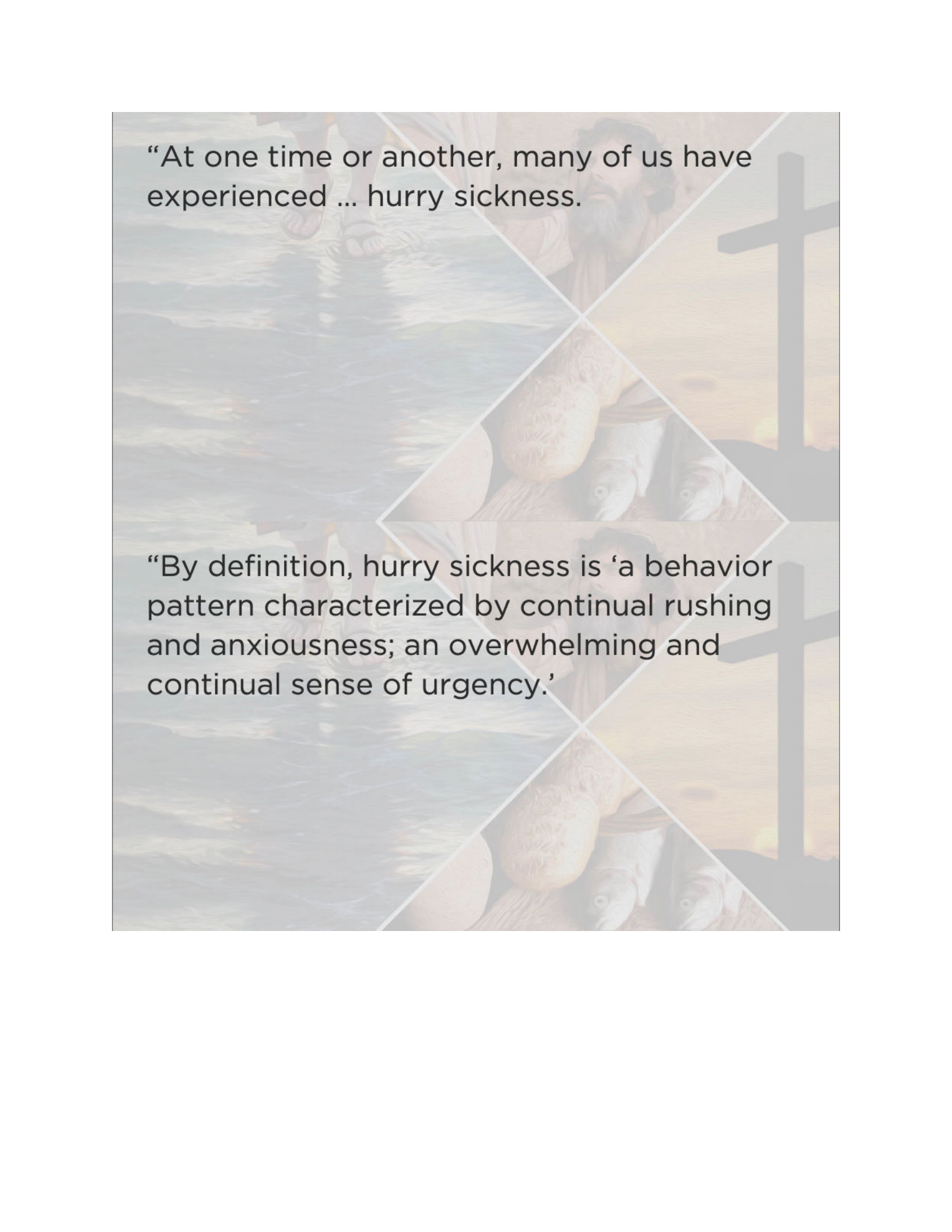




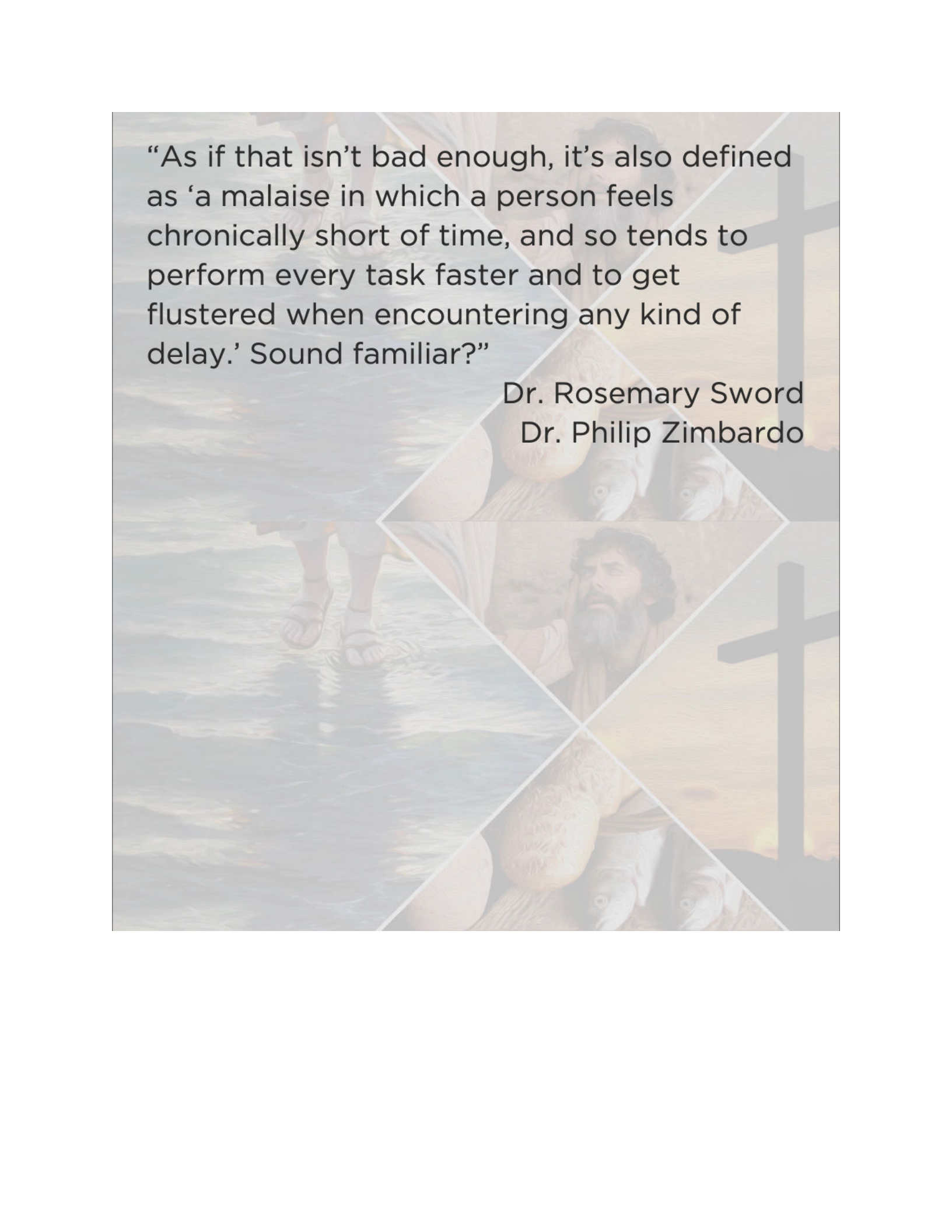
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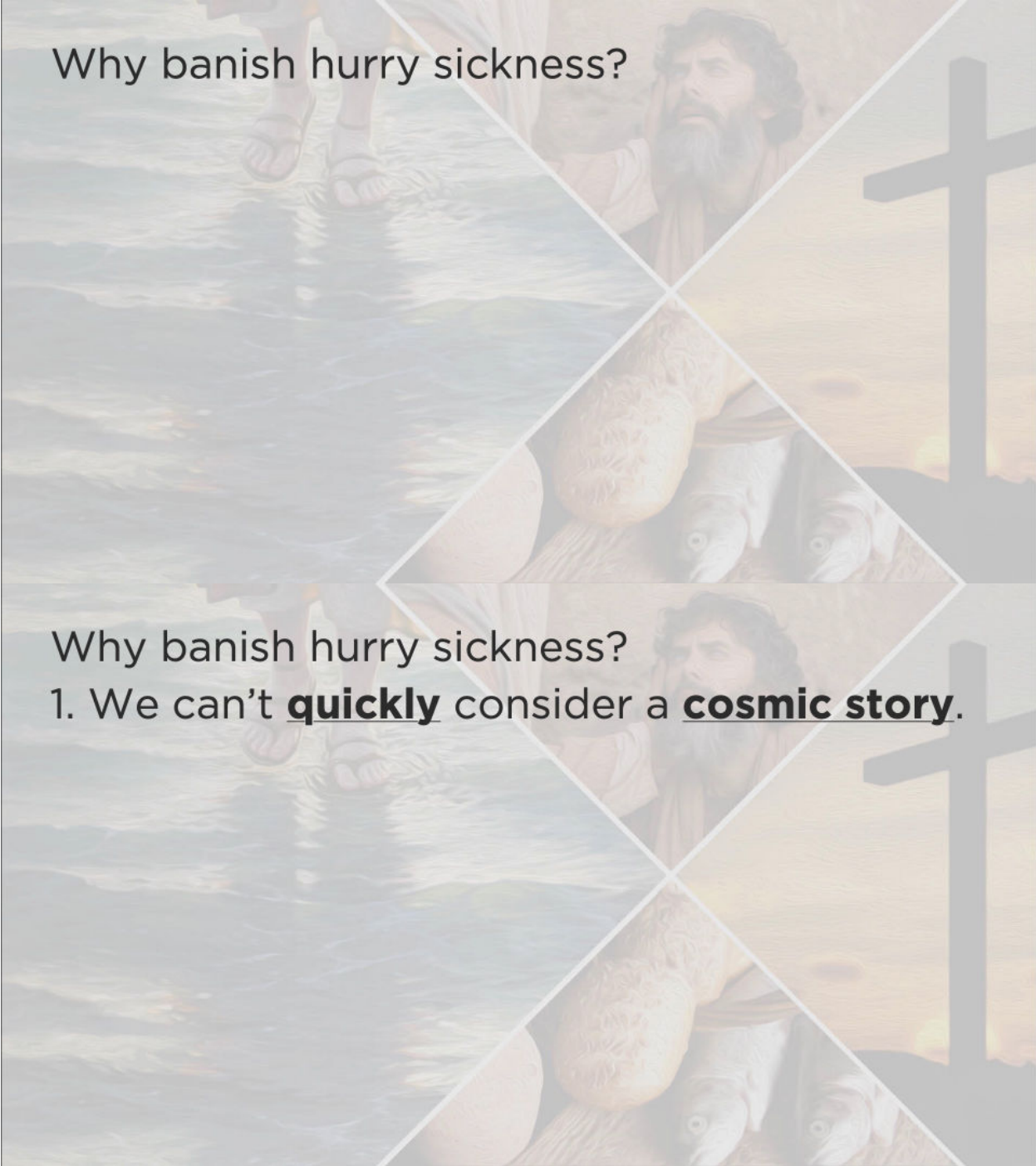
“At one time or another, many of us have experienced ... hurry sickness.

“By definition, hurry sickness is ‘a behavior pattern characterized by continual rushing and anxiousness; an overwhelming and continual sense of urgency.’

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“As if that isn’t bad enough, it’s also defined as ‘a malaise in which a person feels chronically short of time, and so tends to perform every task faster and to get flustered when encountering any kind of delay.’ Sound familiar?”

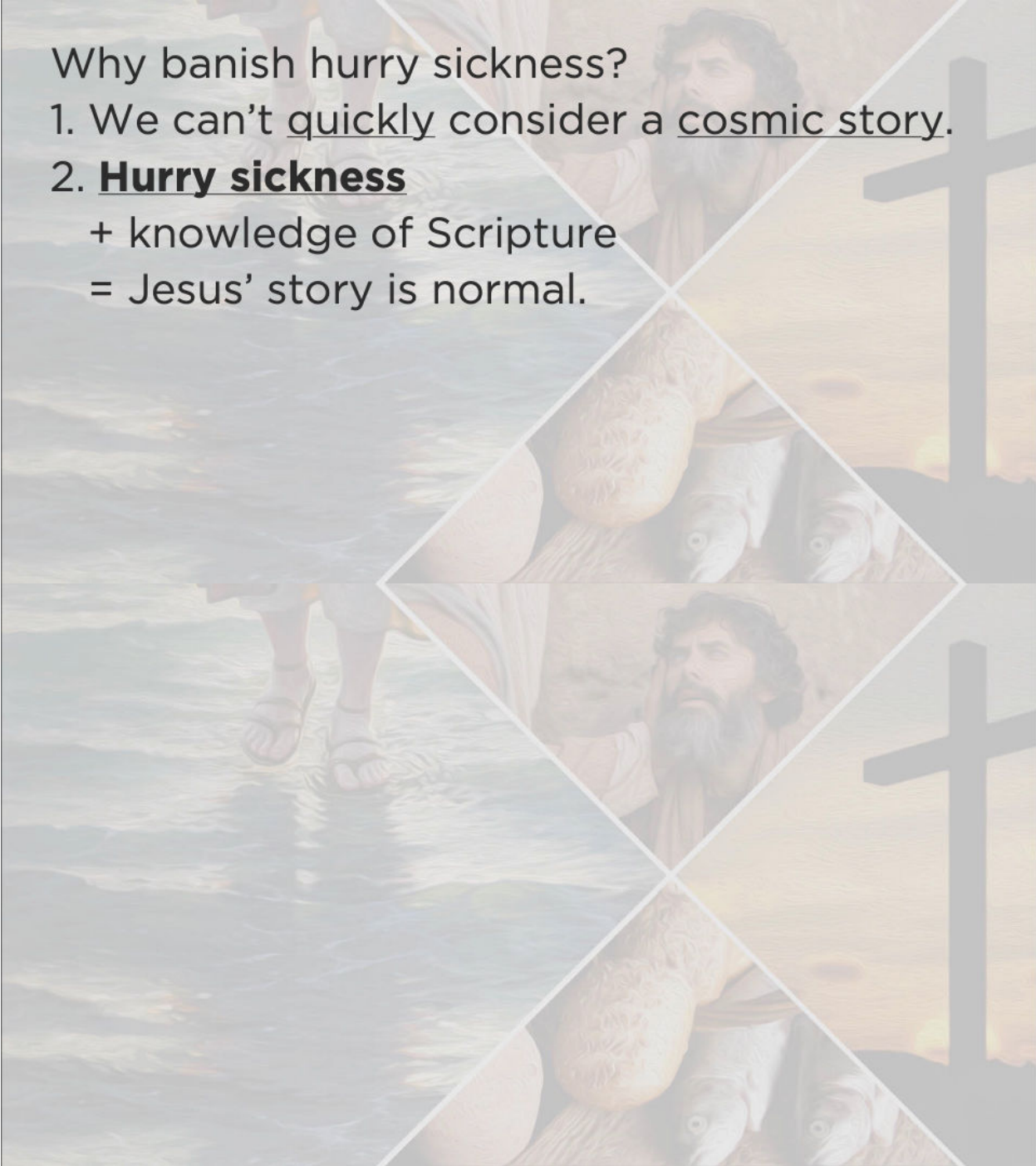
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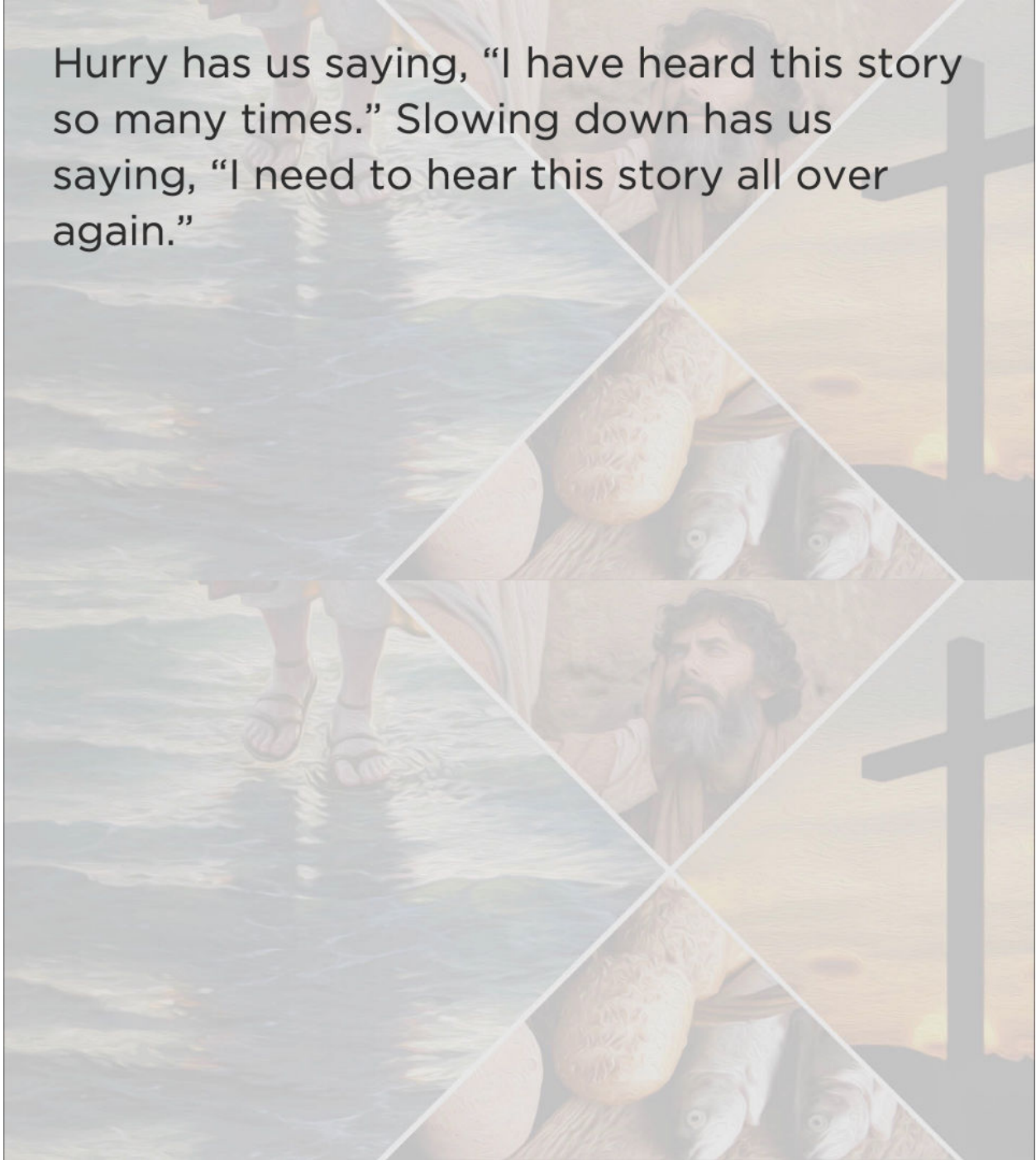
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2. **Hurry sickness**

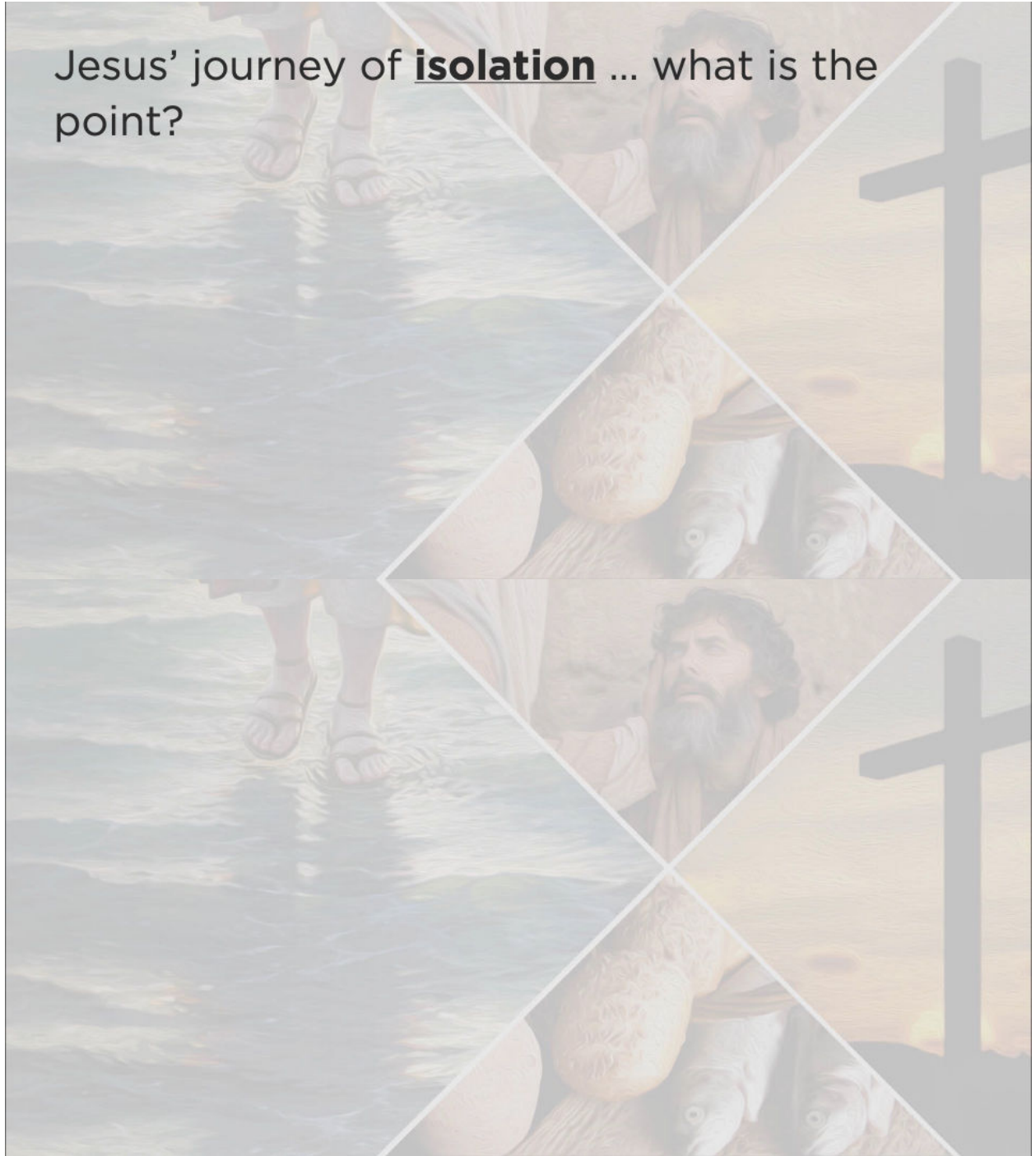
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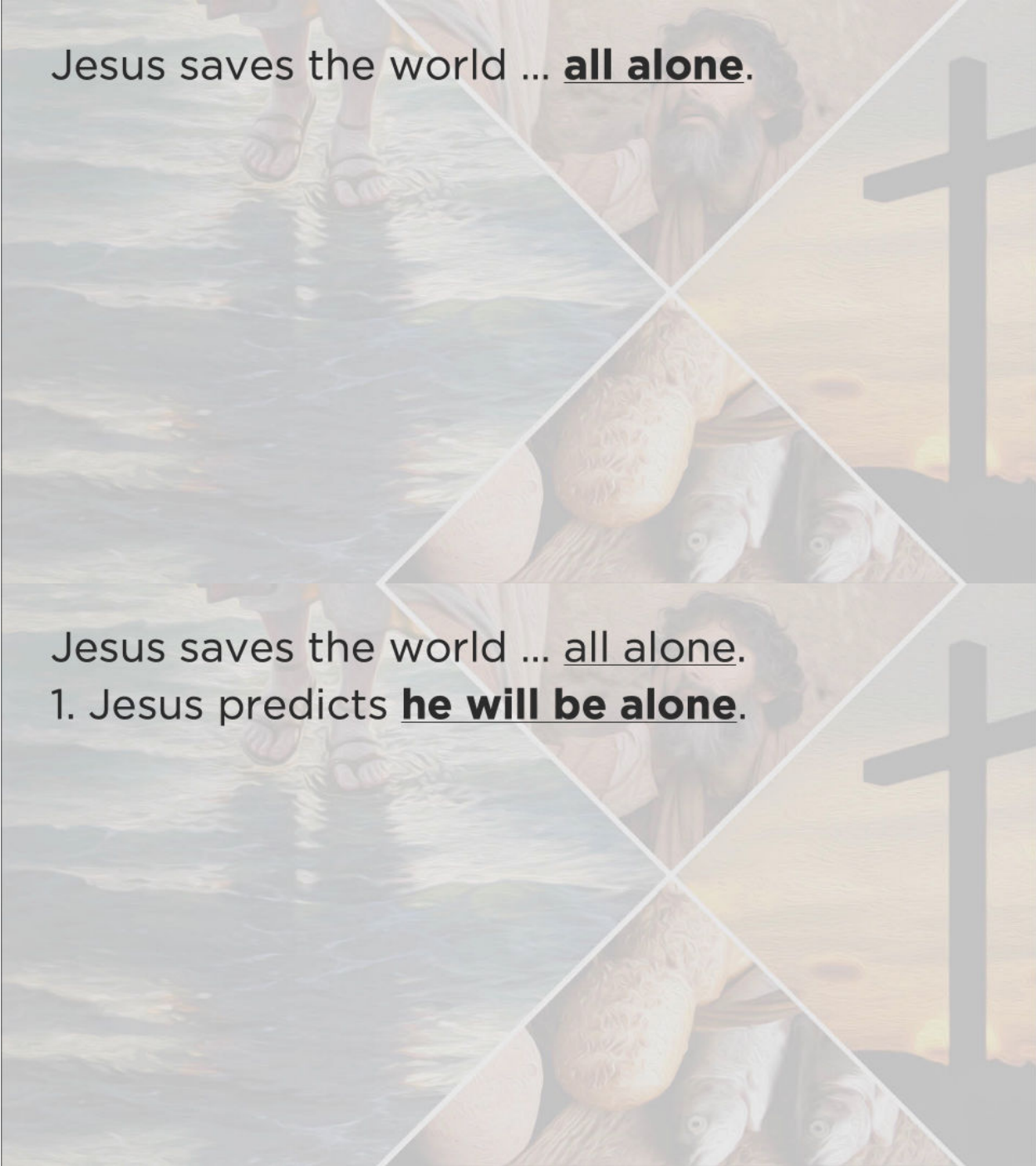
= Jesus' story is normal.

Hurry has us saying, "I have heard this story so many times." Slowing down has us saying, "I need to hear this story all over again."



Jesus' journey of **isolation** ... what is the point?

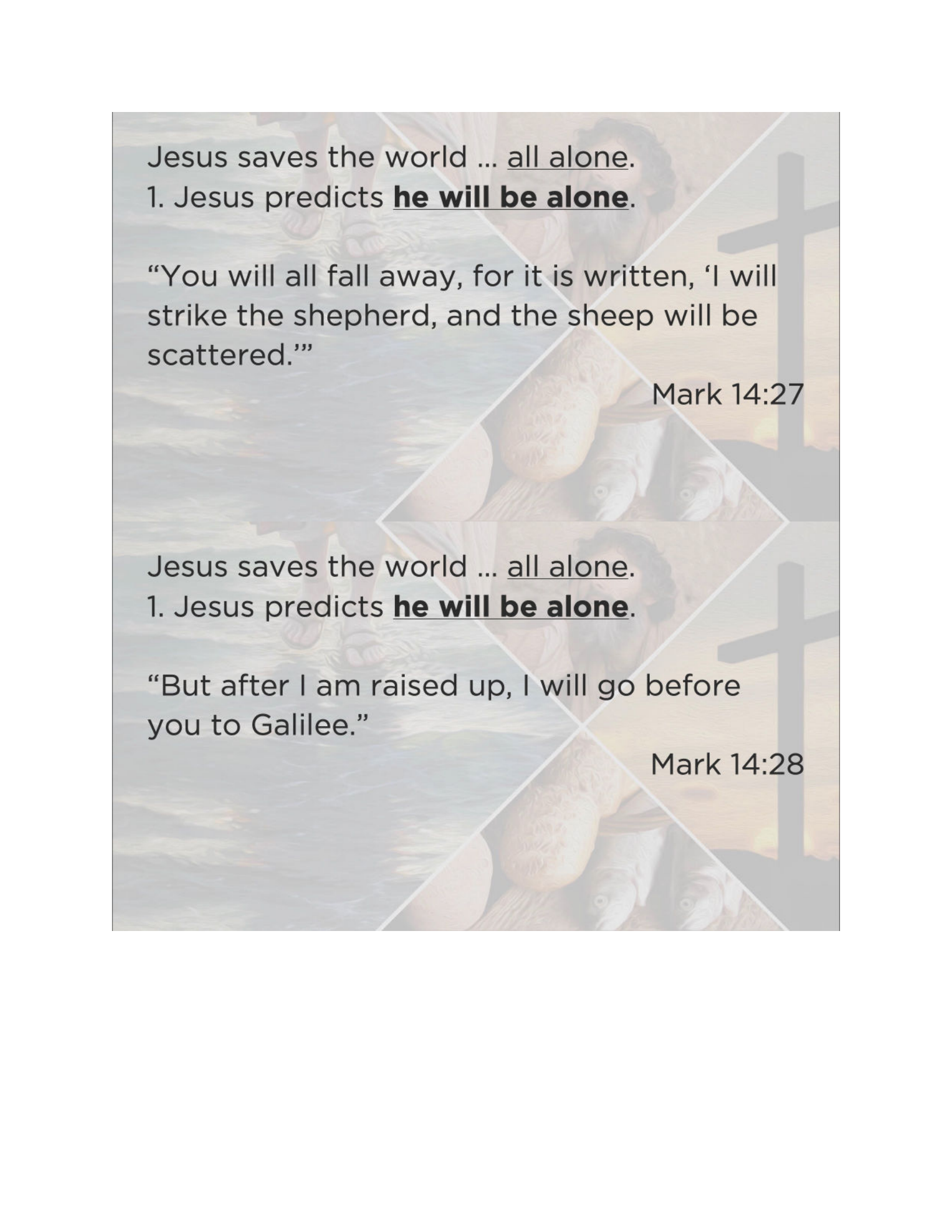




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“You will all fall away, for it is written, ‘I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.’”

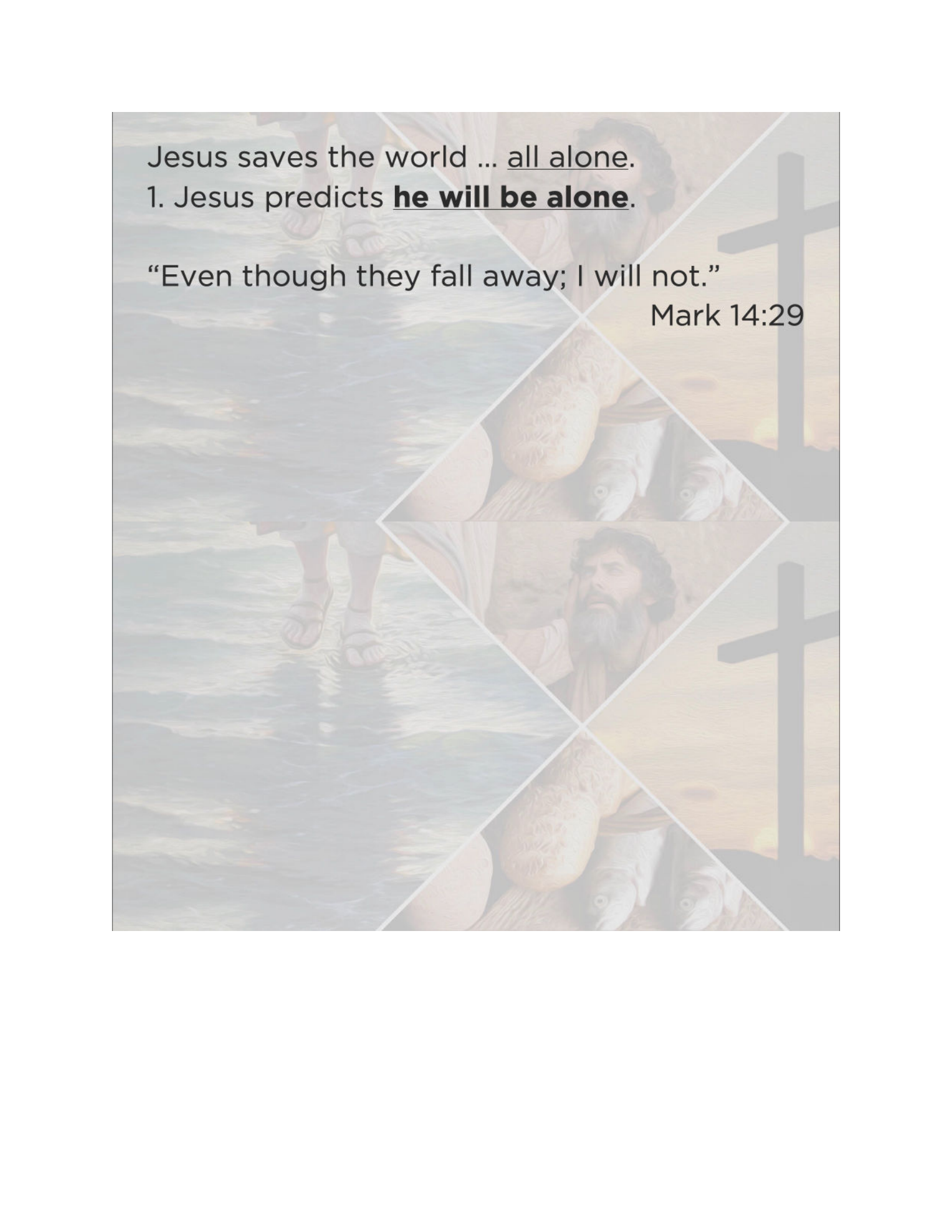
Mark 14:27

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“But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee.”

Mark 14:28

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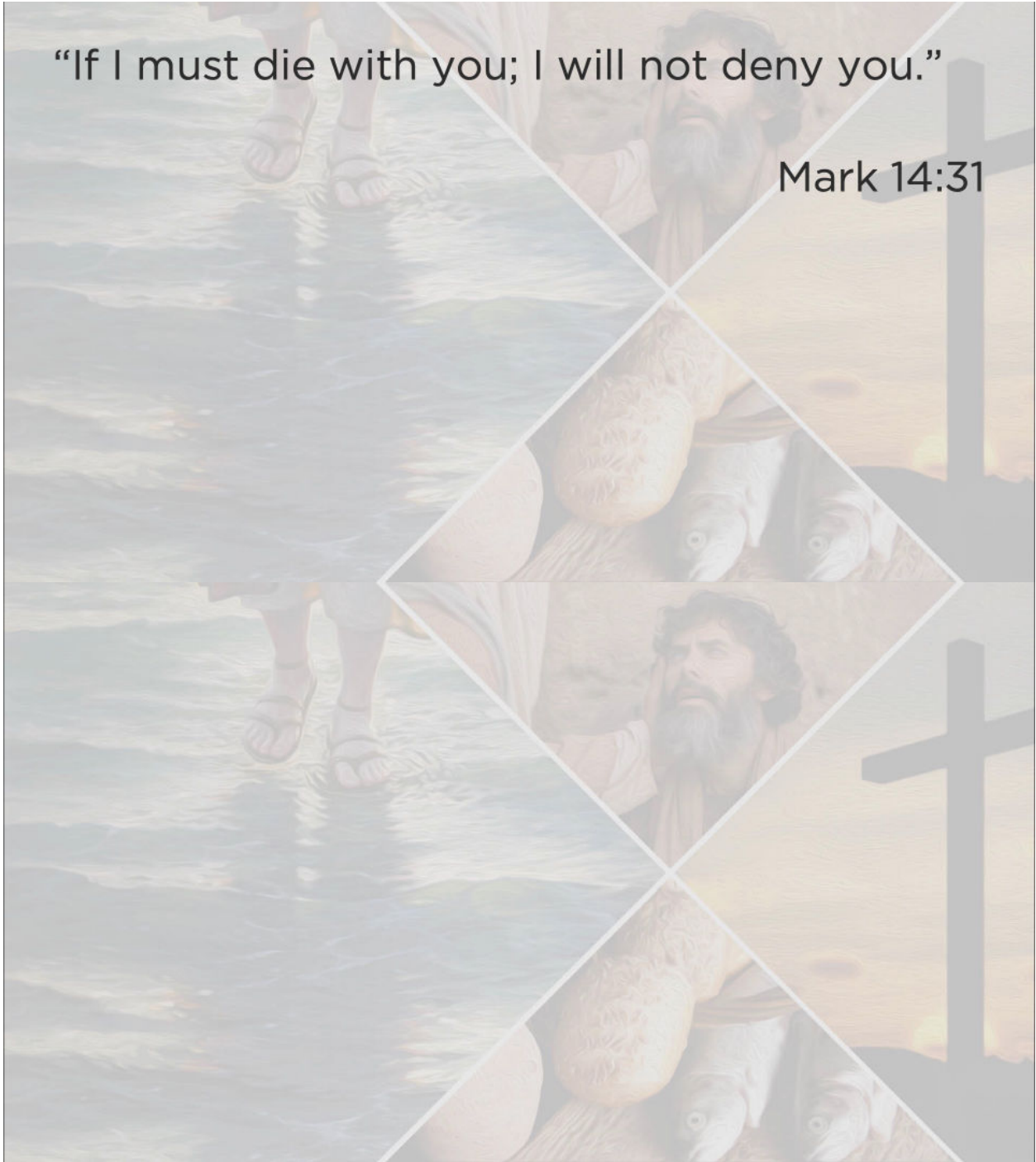
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“Even though they fall away; I will not.”

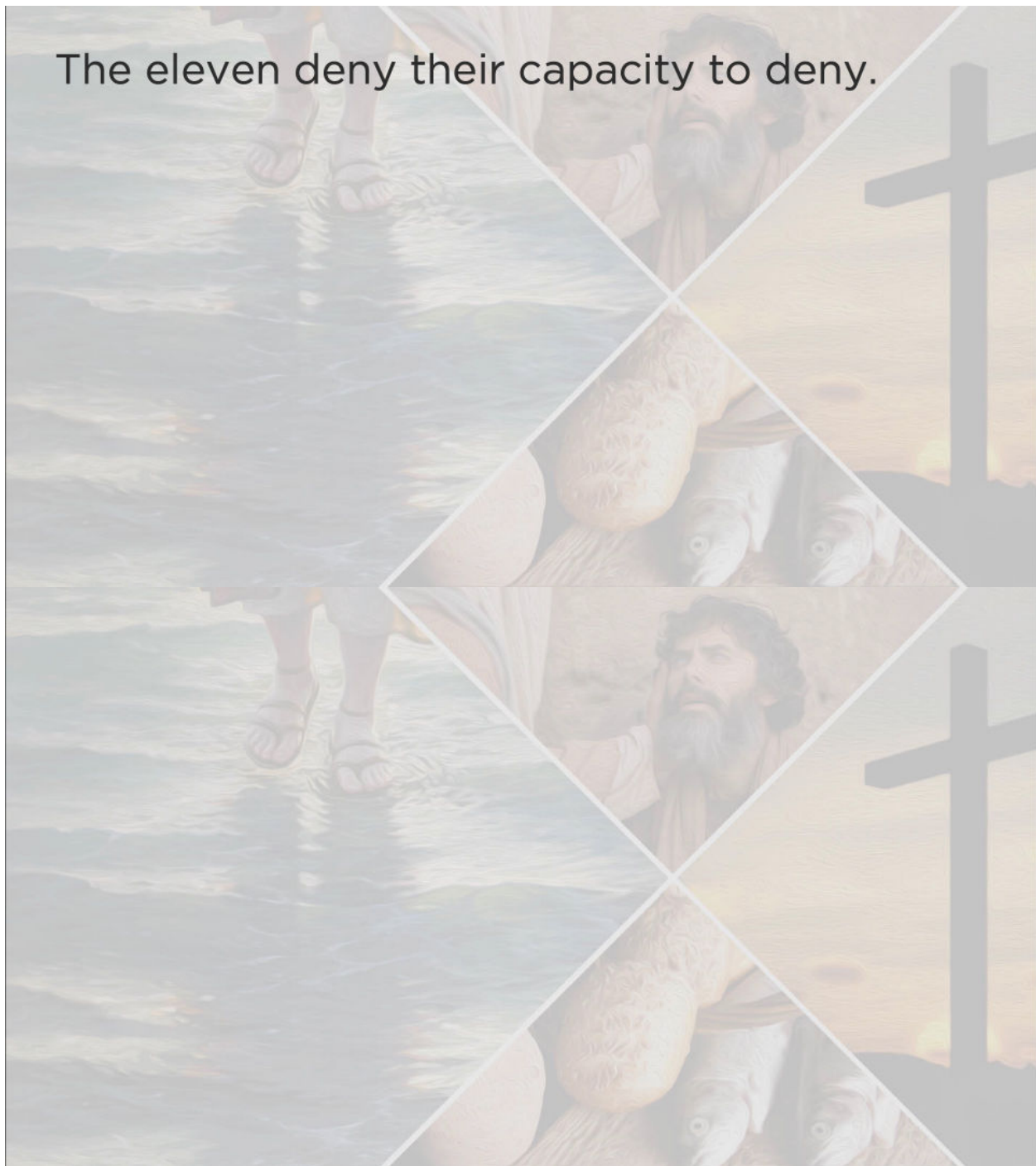
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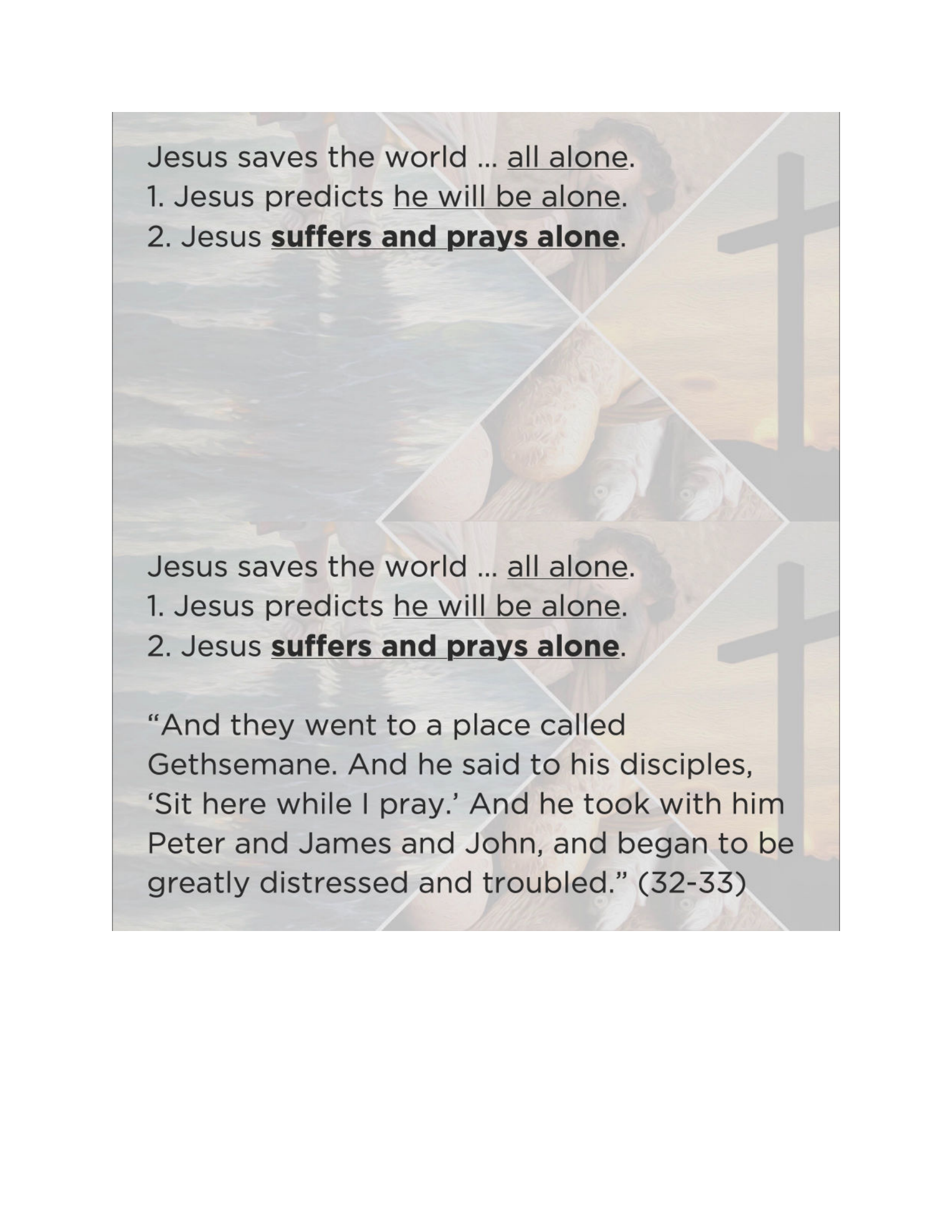
“If I must die with you; I will not deny you.”

Mark 14:31



The eleven deny their capacity to deny.



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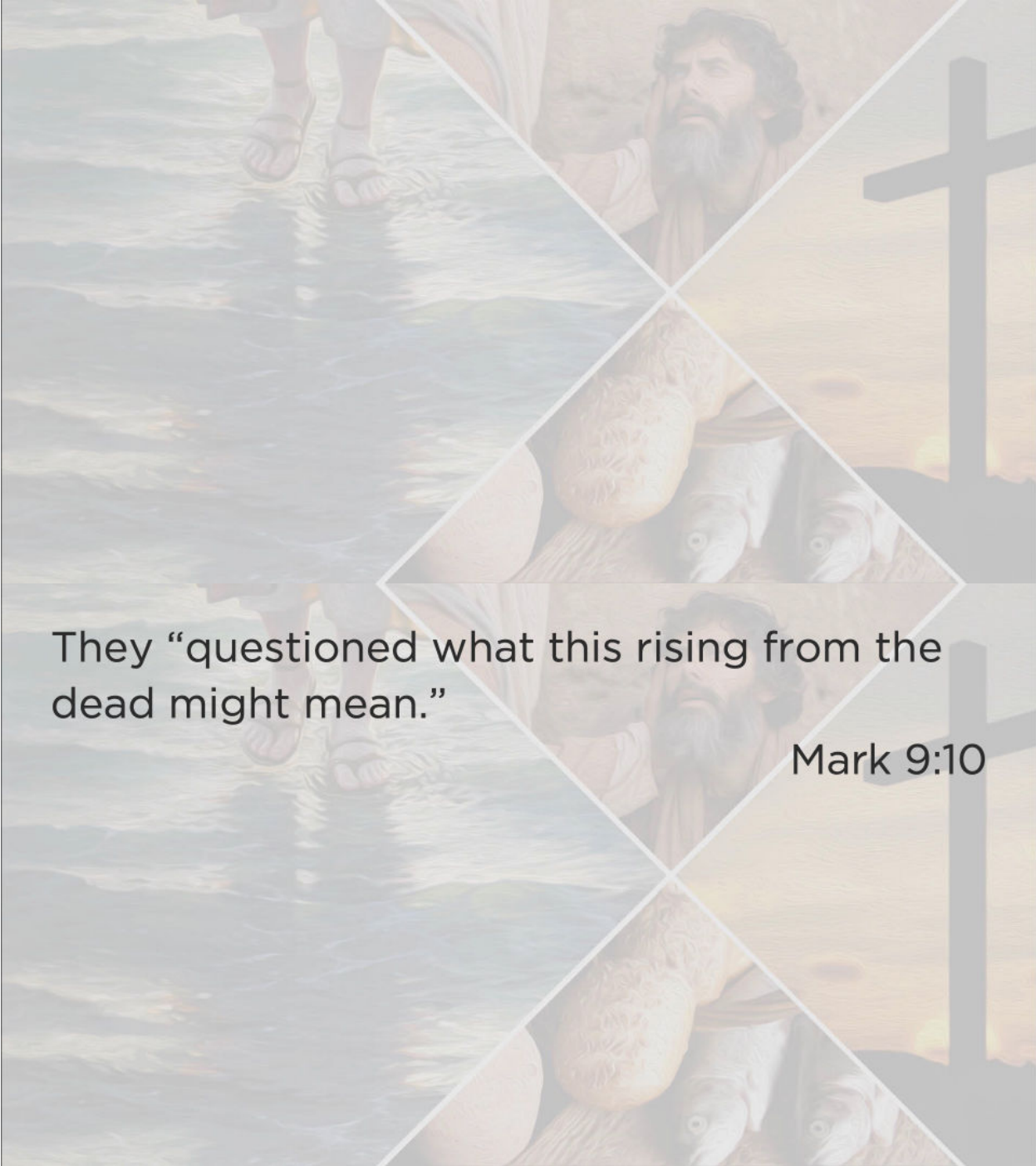
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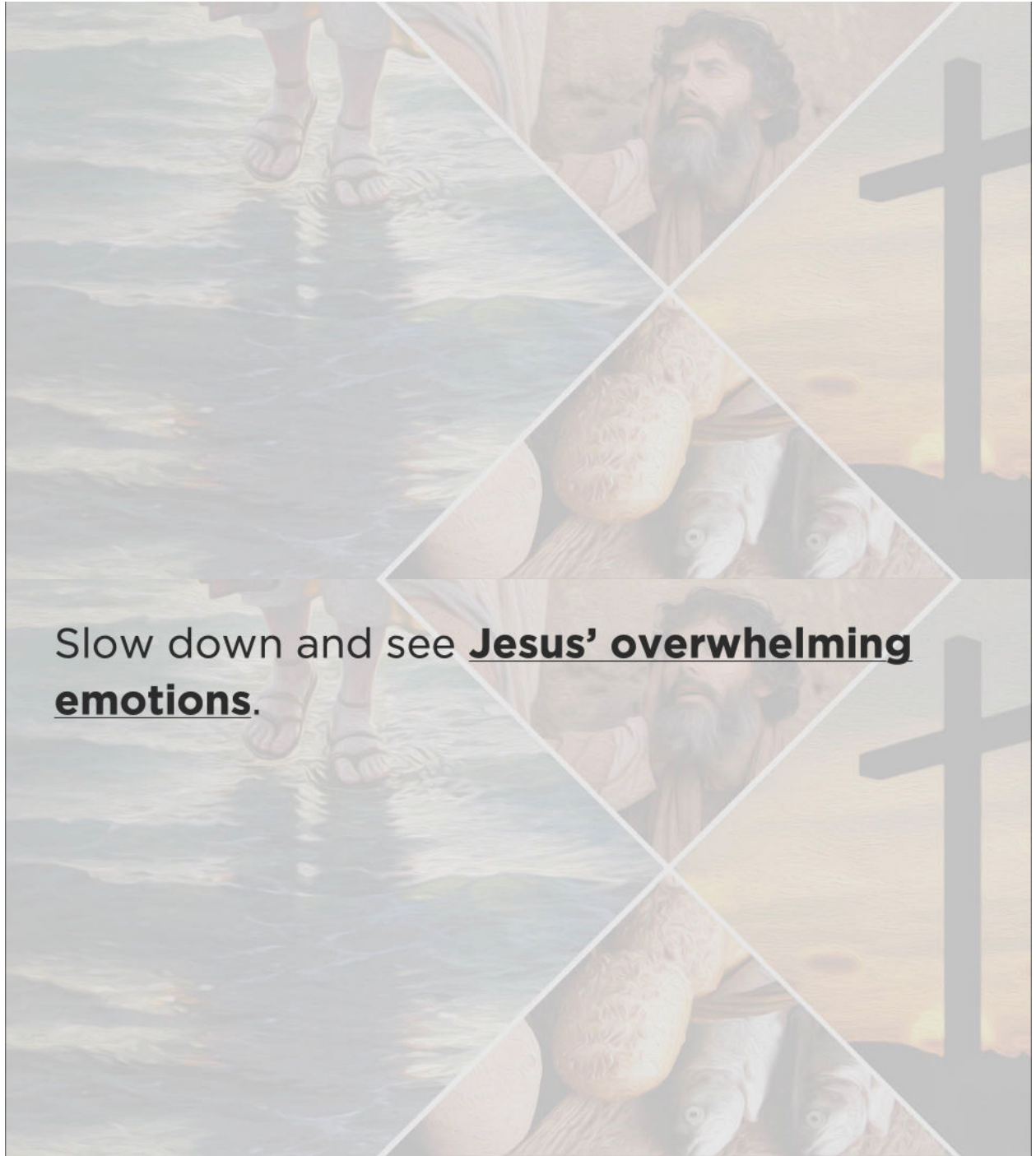
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“And they went to a place called Gethsemane. And he said to his disciples, ‘Sit here while I pray.’ And he took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be greatly distressed and troubled.” (32-33)

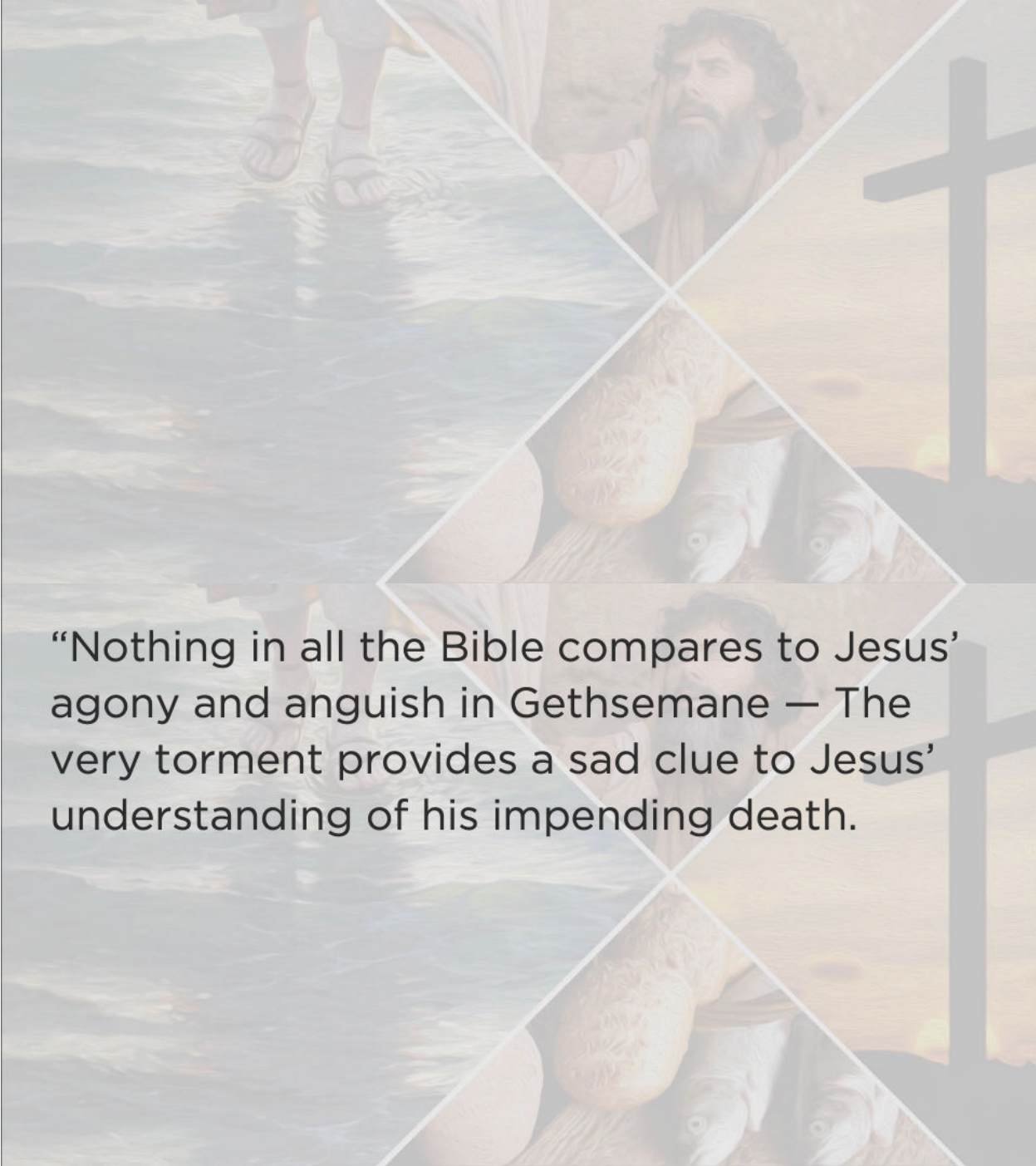
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They “questioned what this rising from the dead might mean.”

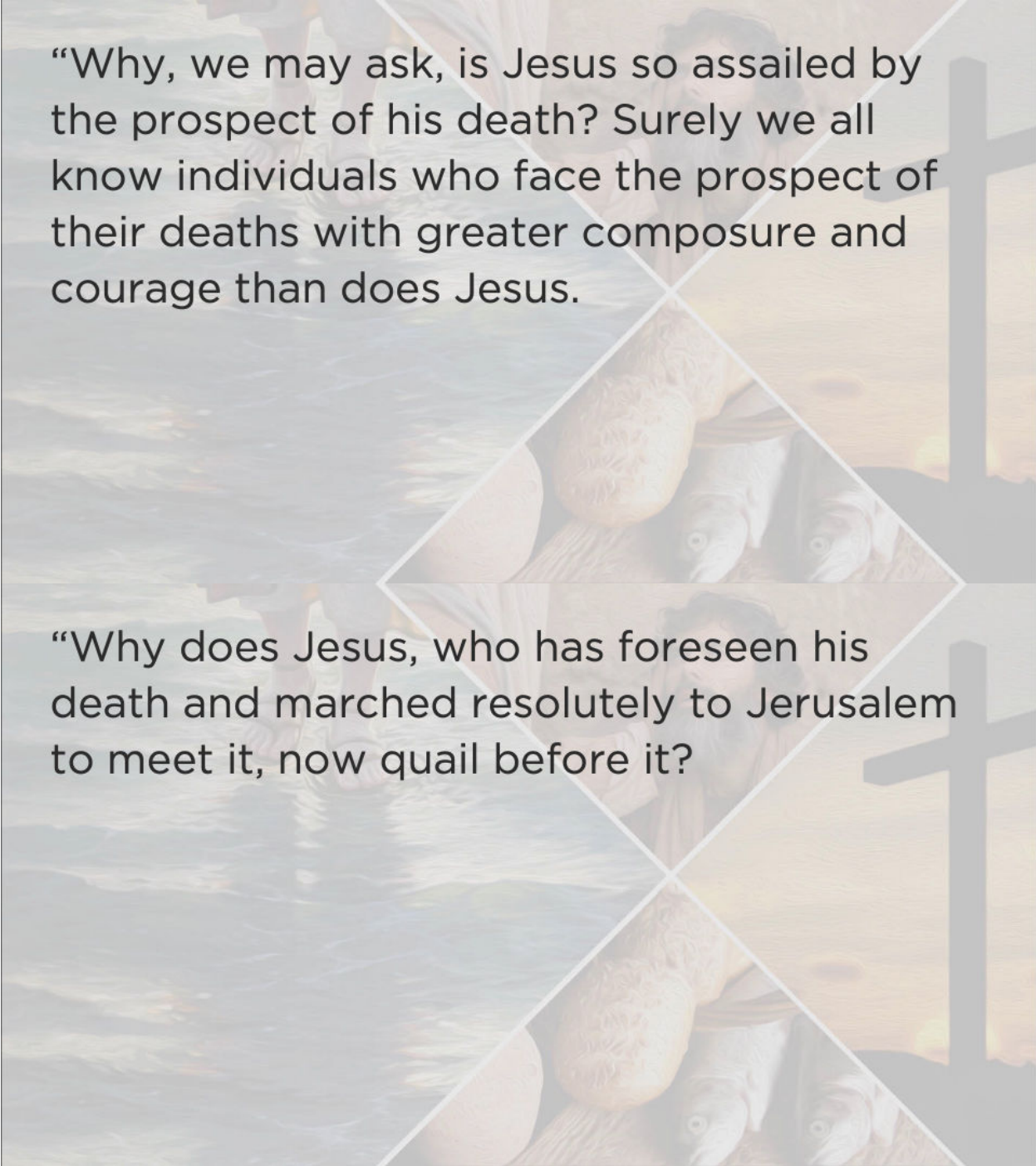
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Slow down and see **Jesus' overwhelming emotions.**

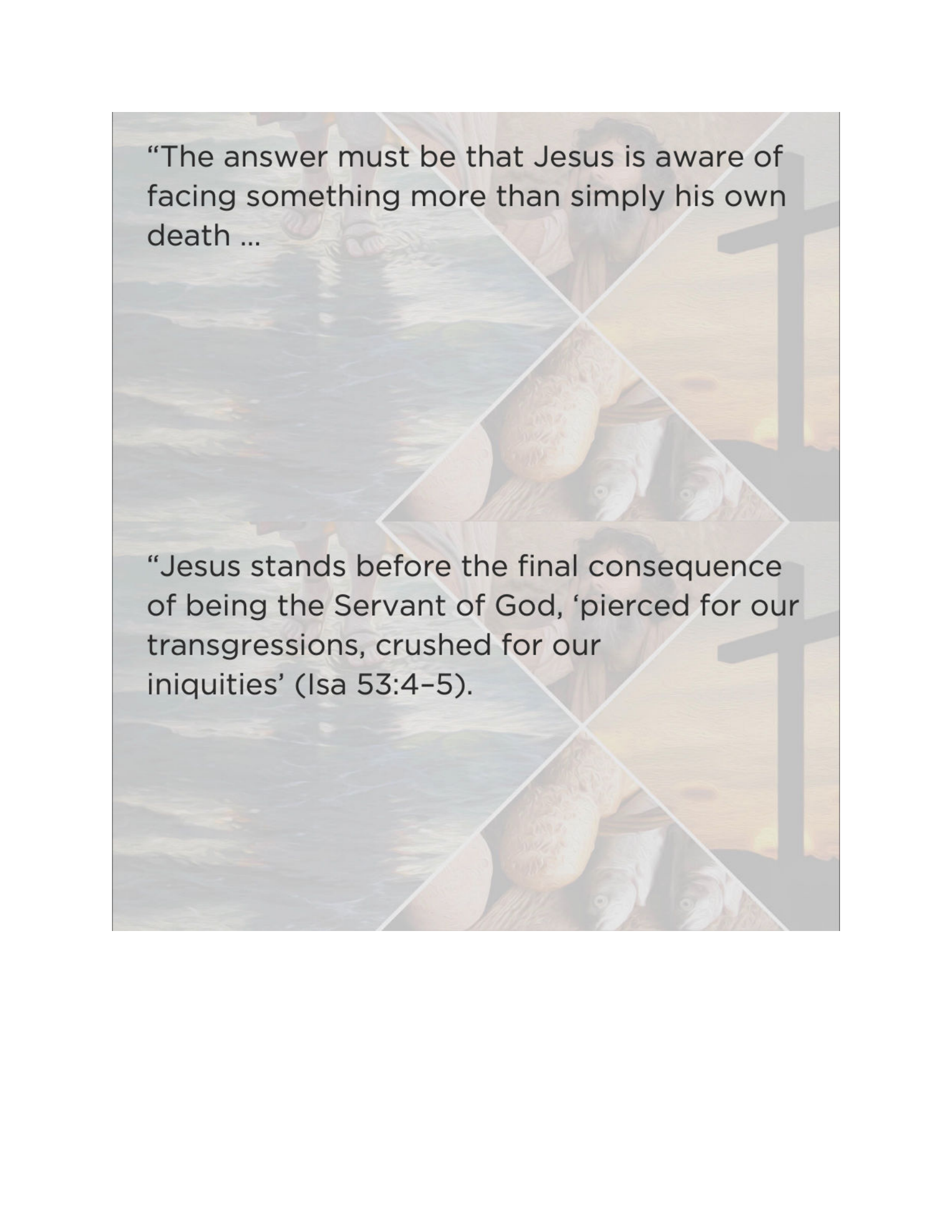
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“Nothing in all the Bible compares to Jesus’ agony and anguish in Gethsemane — The very torment provides a sad clue to Jesus’ understanding of his impending death.



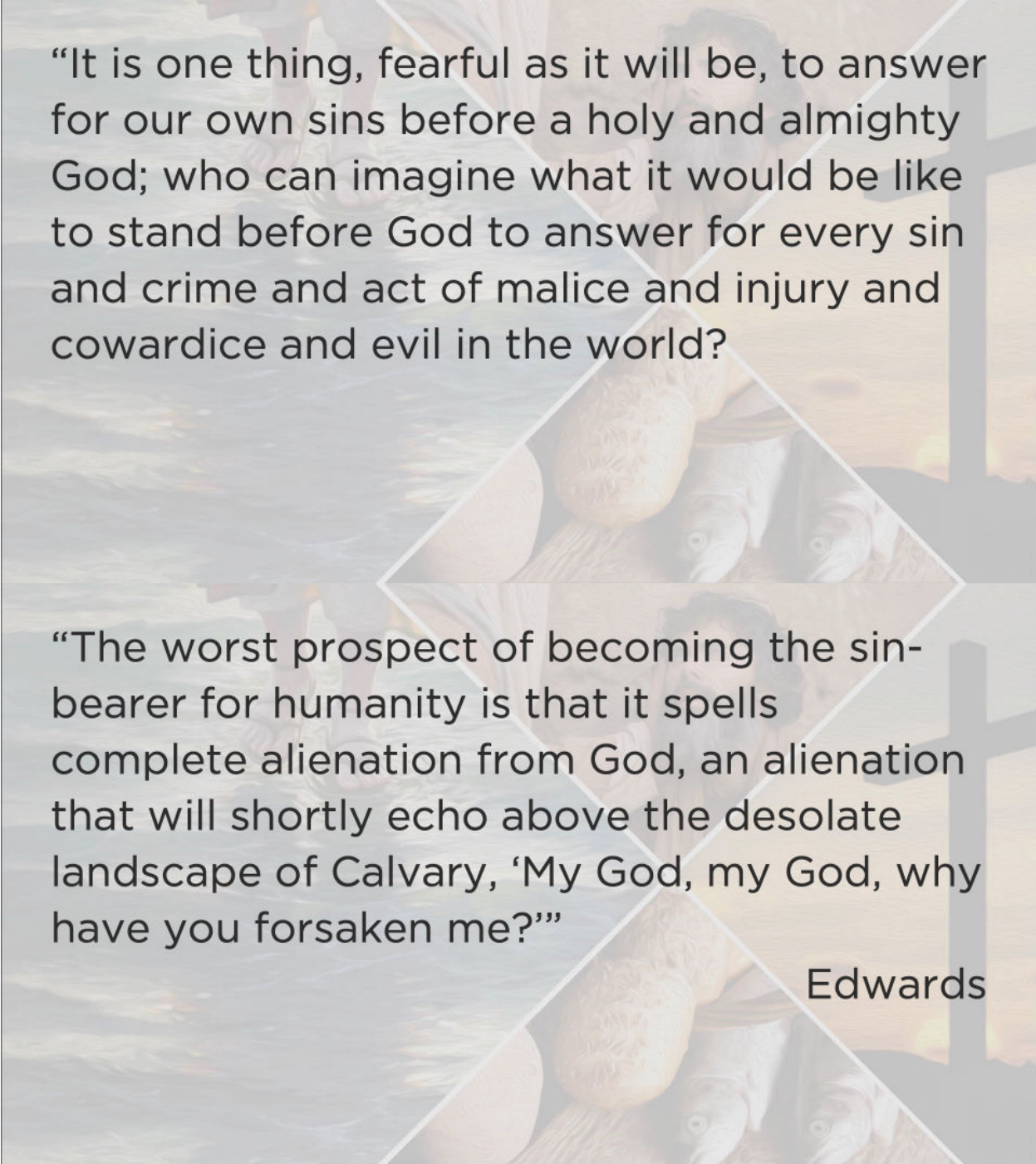
“Why, we may ask, is Jesus so assailed by the prospect of his death? Surely we all know individuals who face the prospect of their deaths with greater composure and courage than does Jesus.

“Why does Jesus, who has foreseen his death and marched resolutely to Jerusalem to meet it, now quail before it?



“The answer must be that Jesus is aware of facing something more than simply his own death ...

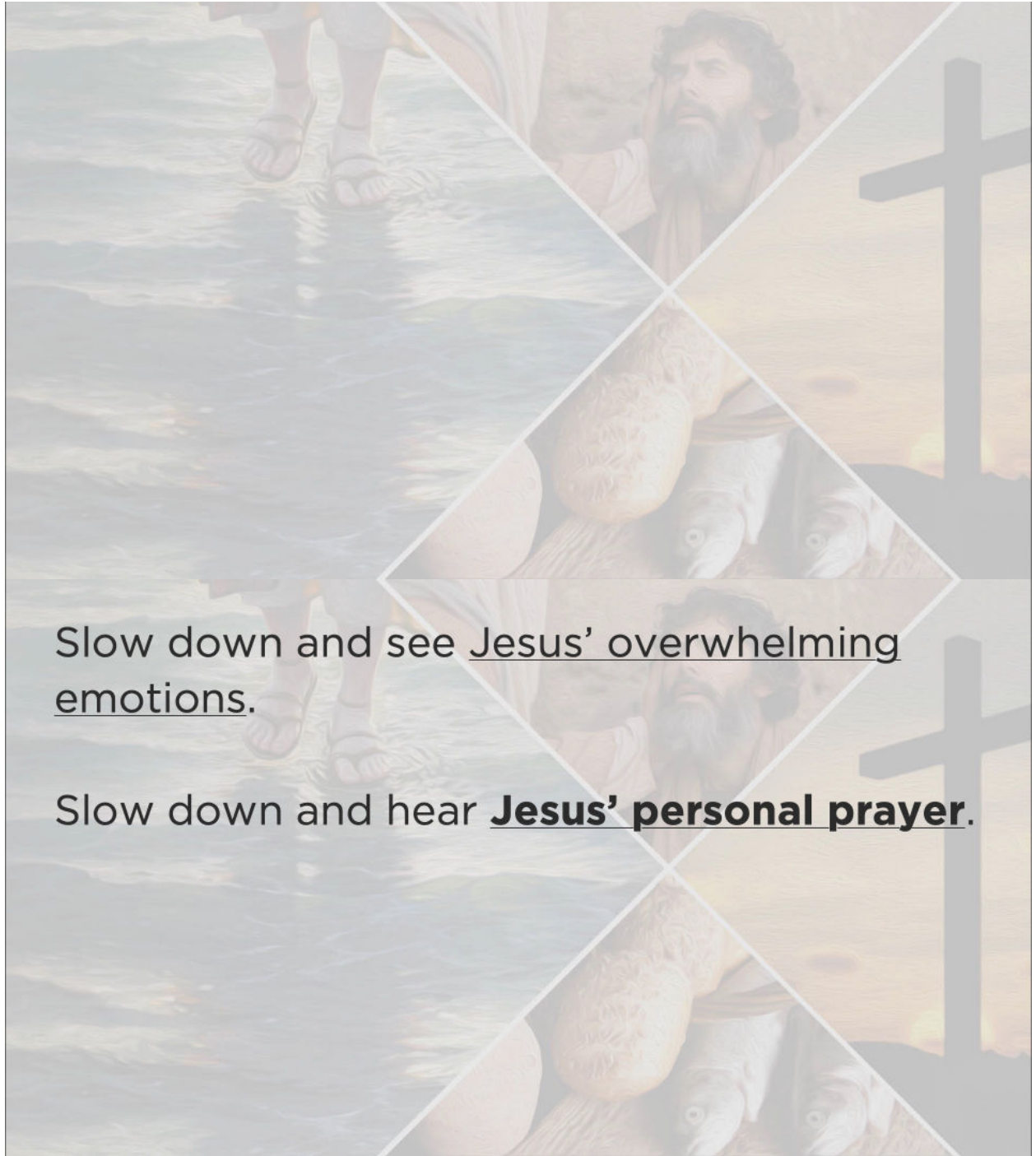
“Jesus stands before the final consequence of being the Servant of God, ‘pierced for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities’ (Isa 53:4-5).



“It is one thing, fearful as it will be, to answer for our own sins before a holy and almighty God; who can imagine what it would be like to stand before God to answer for every sin and crime and act of malice and injury and cowardice and evil in the world?”

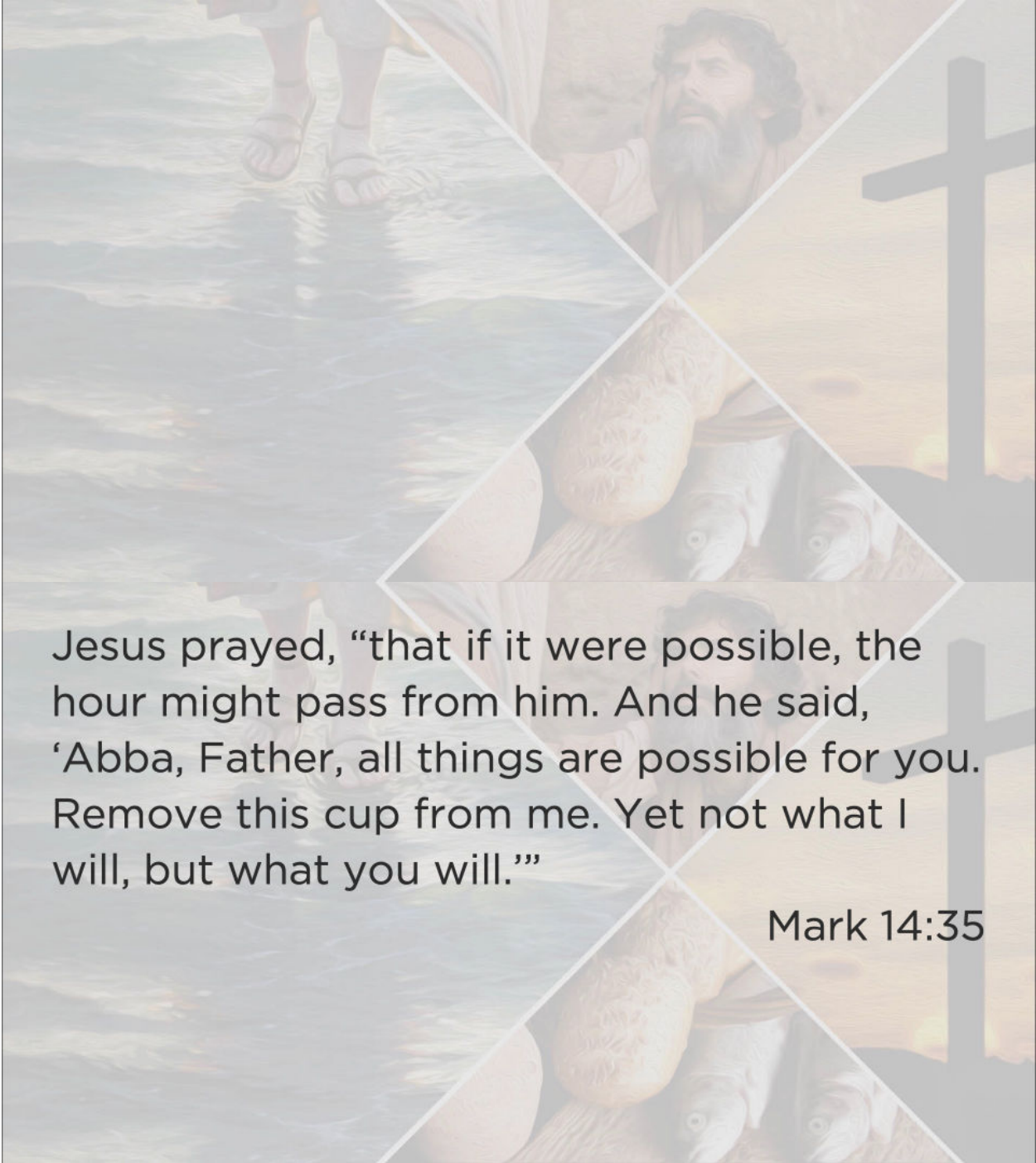
“The worst prospect of becoming the sin-bearer for humanity is that it spells complete alienation from God, an alienation that will shortly echo above the desolate landscape of Calvary, ‘My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?’”

Edwards



Slow down and see Jesus' overwhelming emotions.

Slow down and hear **Jesus' personal prayer.**

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Jesus prayed, “that if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. And he said, ‘Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. Remove this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will.’”

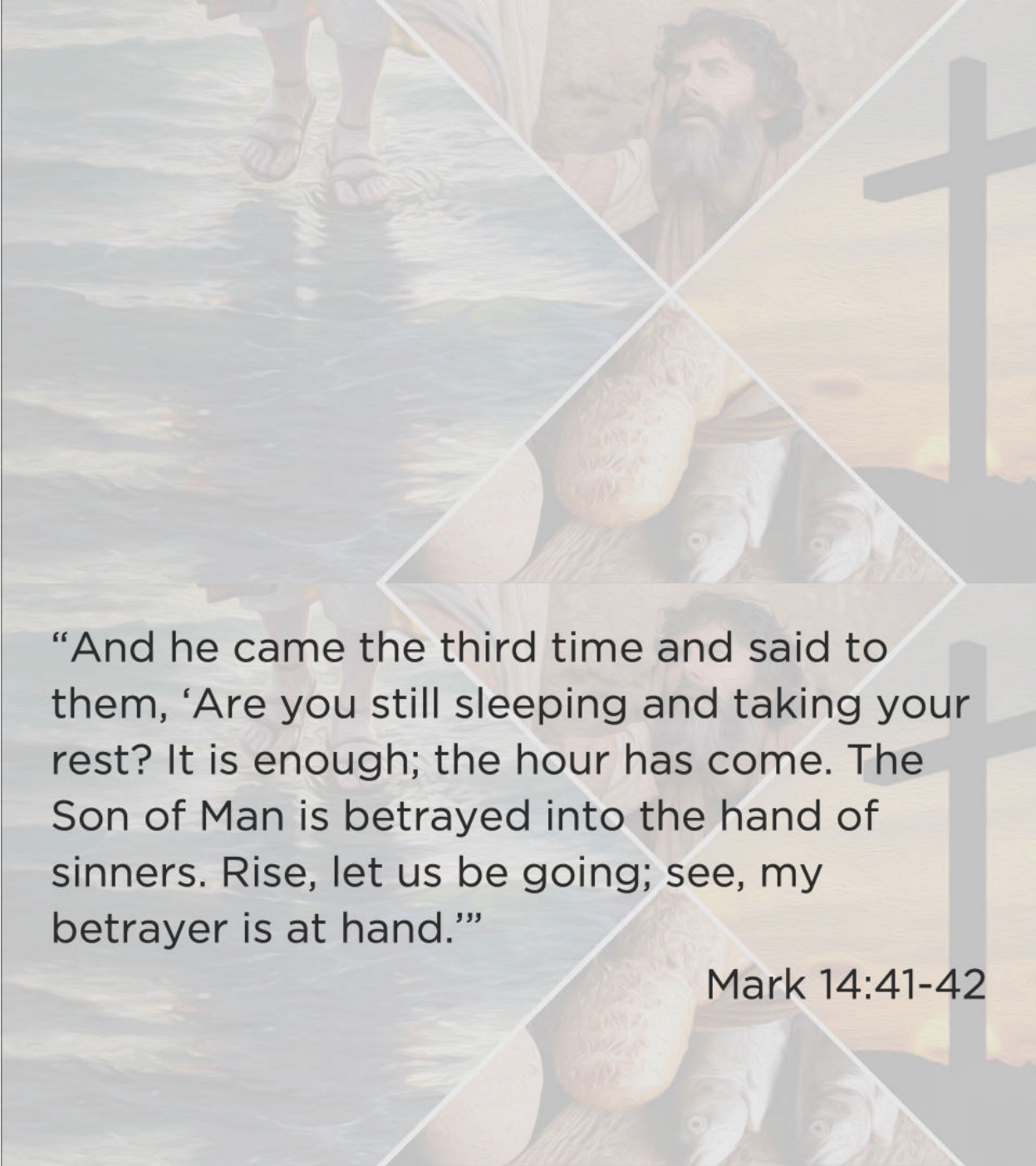
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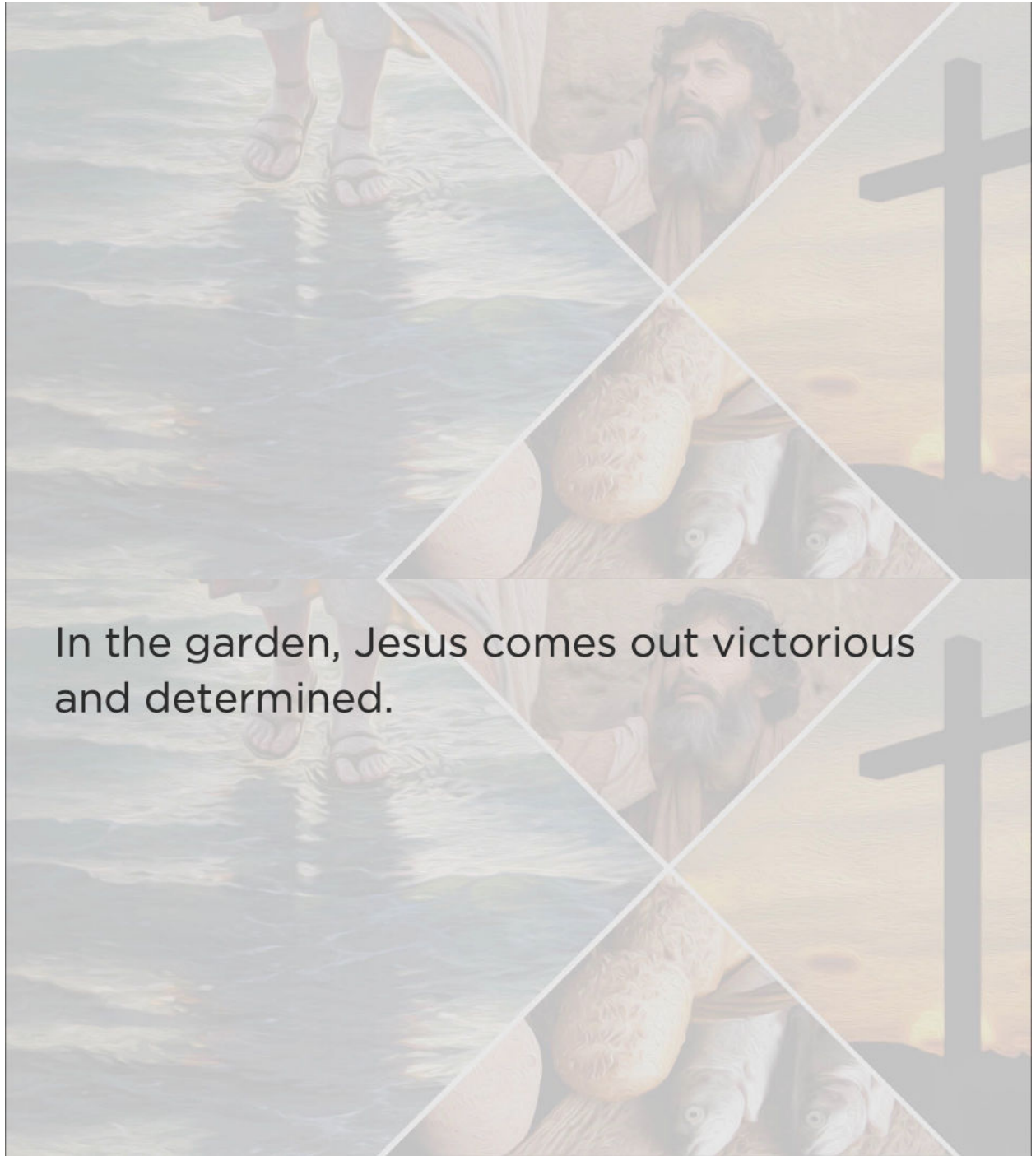
Slow down and hear Jesus' personal prayer.

Slow down and watch Jesus' **patient invitations.**



“And he came the third time and said to them, ‘Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? It is enough; the hour has come. The Son of Man is betrayed into the hand of sinners. Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand.’”

Mark 14:41-42



In the garden, Jesus comes out victorious and determined.