

EPHESIANS

The background image shows the ruins of the Temple of Apollo at Ephesus, Turkey. The temple is a large, rectangular structure with several columns still standing, though many are missing. The ruins are surrounded by a field of large, rectangular stone blocks, likely remnants of the temple's walls or other structures. The sky is a clear, deep blue, and the overall scene is bathed in the warm, golden light of late afternoon or early morning.



Incorruptible Love

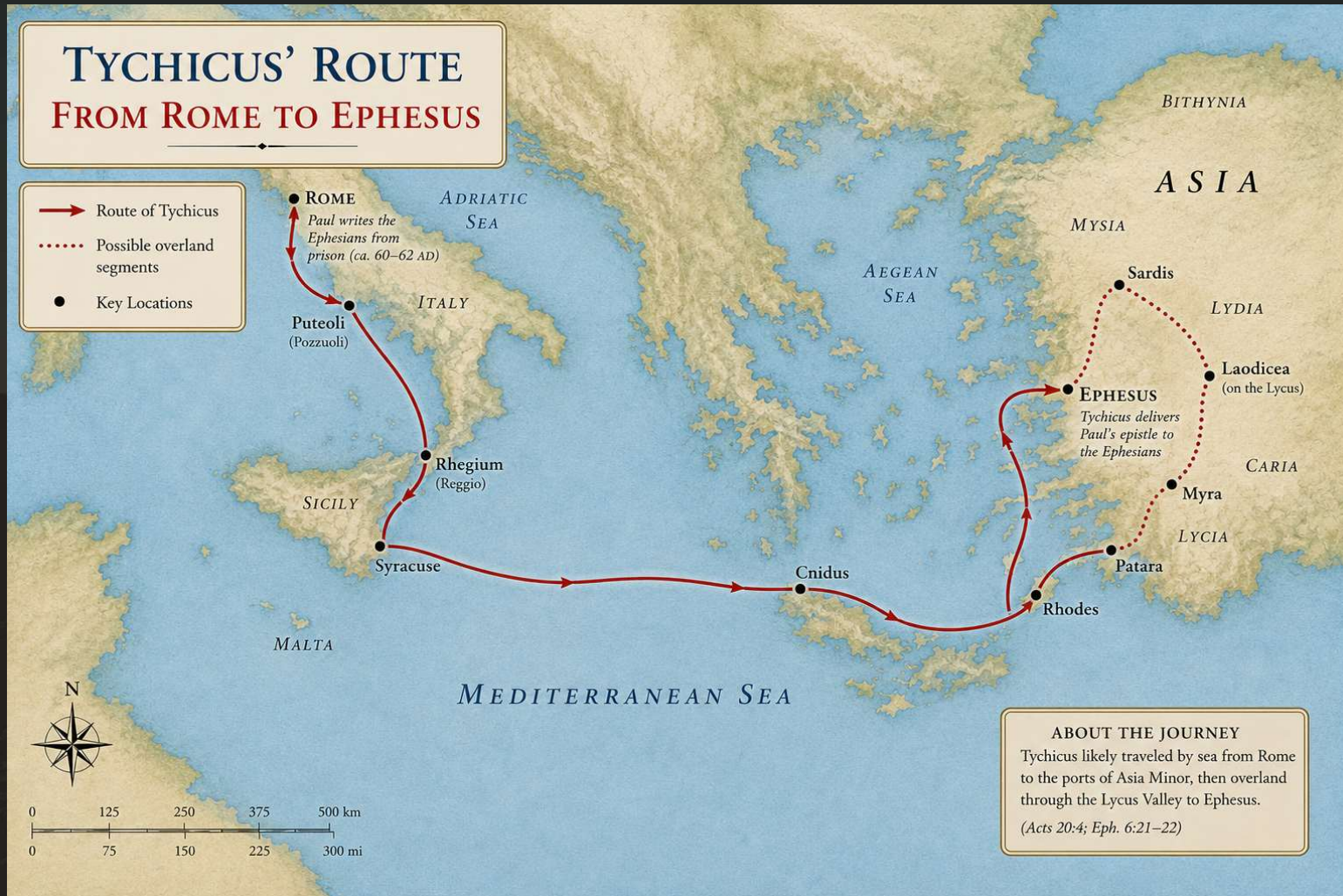
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TYCHICUS' ROUTE FROM ROME TO EPHESUS

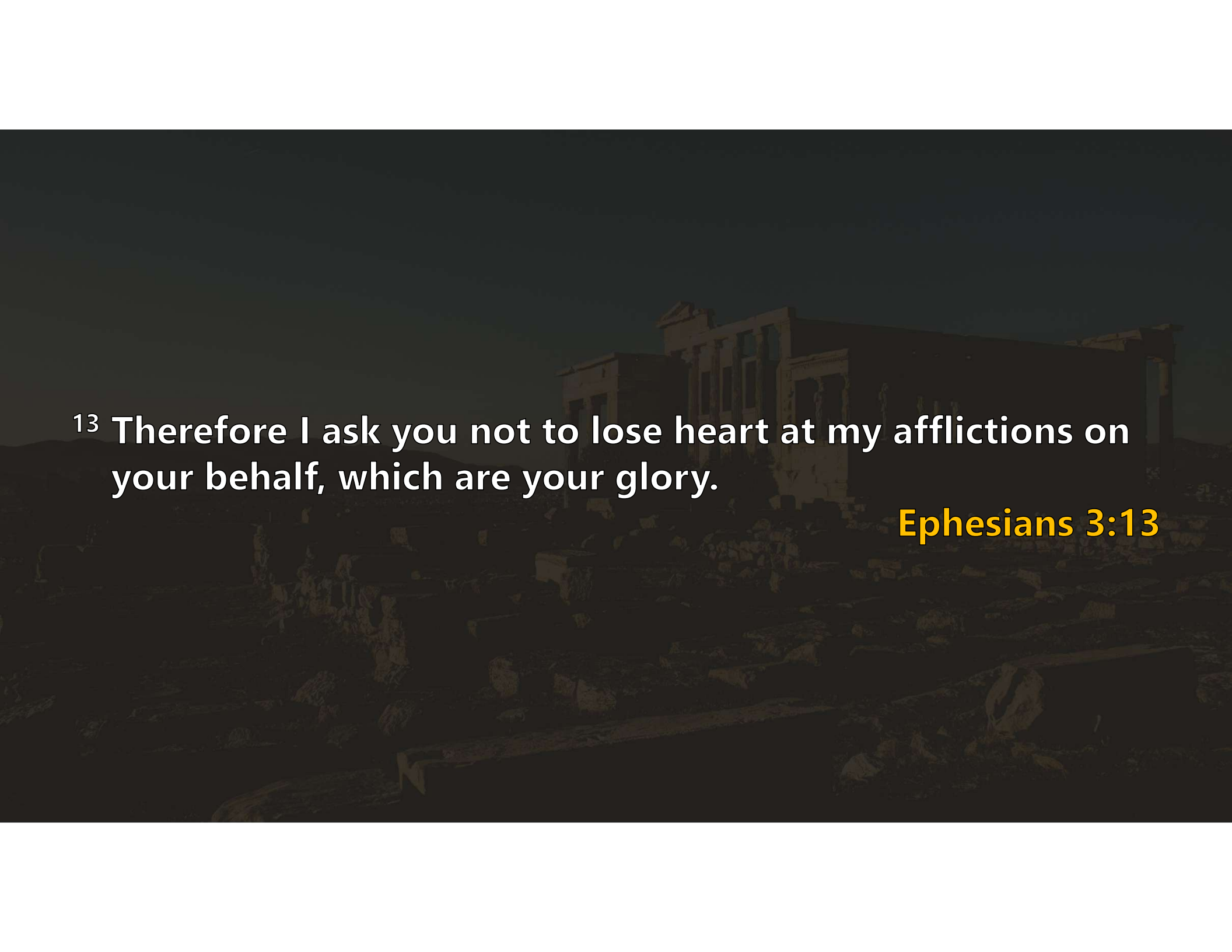
- Route of Tychicus
- Possible overland segments
- Key Locations



ABOUT THE JOURNEY

Tychicus likely traveled by sea from Rome to the ports of Asia Minor, then overland through the Lycus Valley to Ephesus.

(Acts 20:4; Eph. 6:21–22)



¹³ Therefore I ask you not to lose heart at my afflictions on your behalf, which are your glory.

Ephesians 3:13

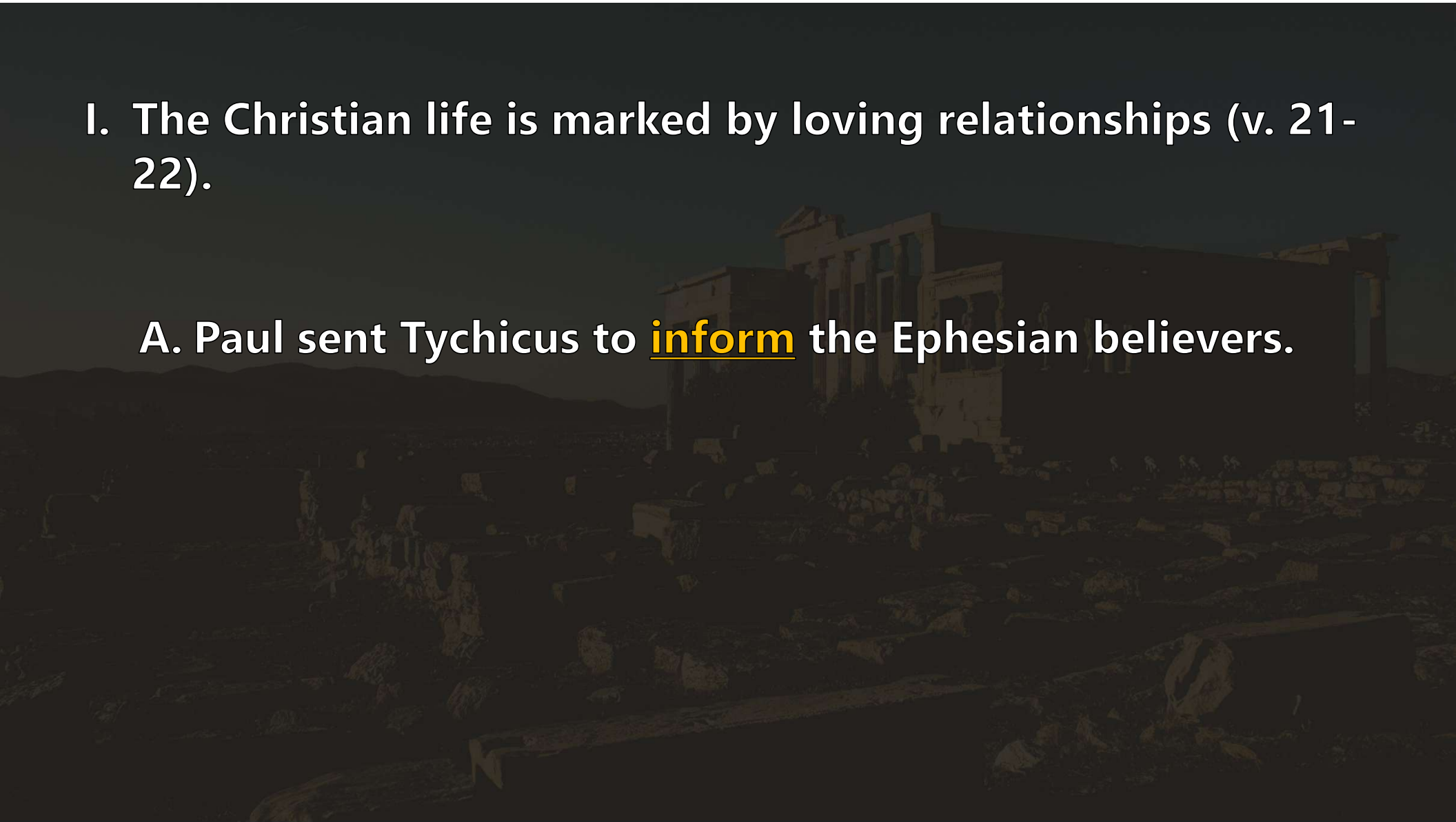
Reference	Scripture	Description
Acts 20:4	"And he was accompanied by... and Tychicus and Trophimus of Asia."	Trusted companion from Asia on Paul's third missionary journey.
Ephesians 6:21-22	"... Tychicus , the beloved brother and faithful servant in the Lord..."	Paul's messenger – Beloved Brother, faithful servant, encourager.
Colossians 4:7-8	" Tychicus , our beloved brother and faithful servant and fellow slave in the Lord..."	Paul's messenger – Beloved Brother, faithful servant, fellow slave to Christ.
2 Timothy 4:12	"But Tychicus I sent to Ephesus."	Trusted messenger to the end.
Titus 3:12	"When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, be diligent to come to me at Nicopolis..."	Reliable support/relief for Titus on Crete.

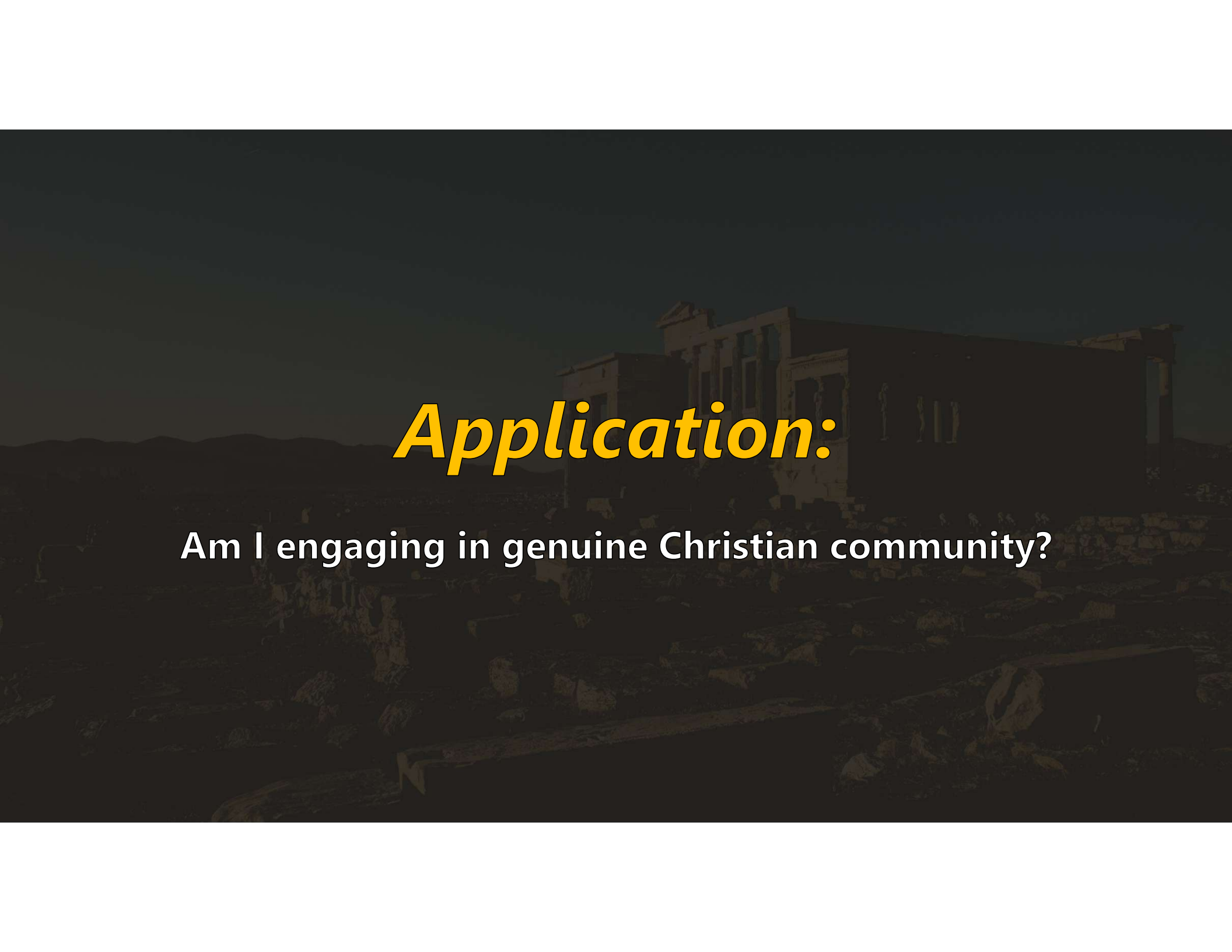
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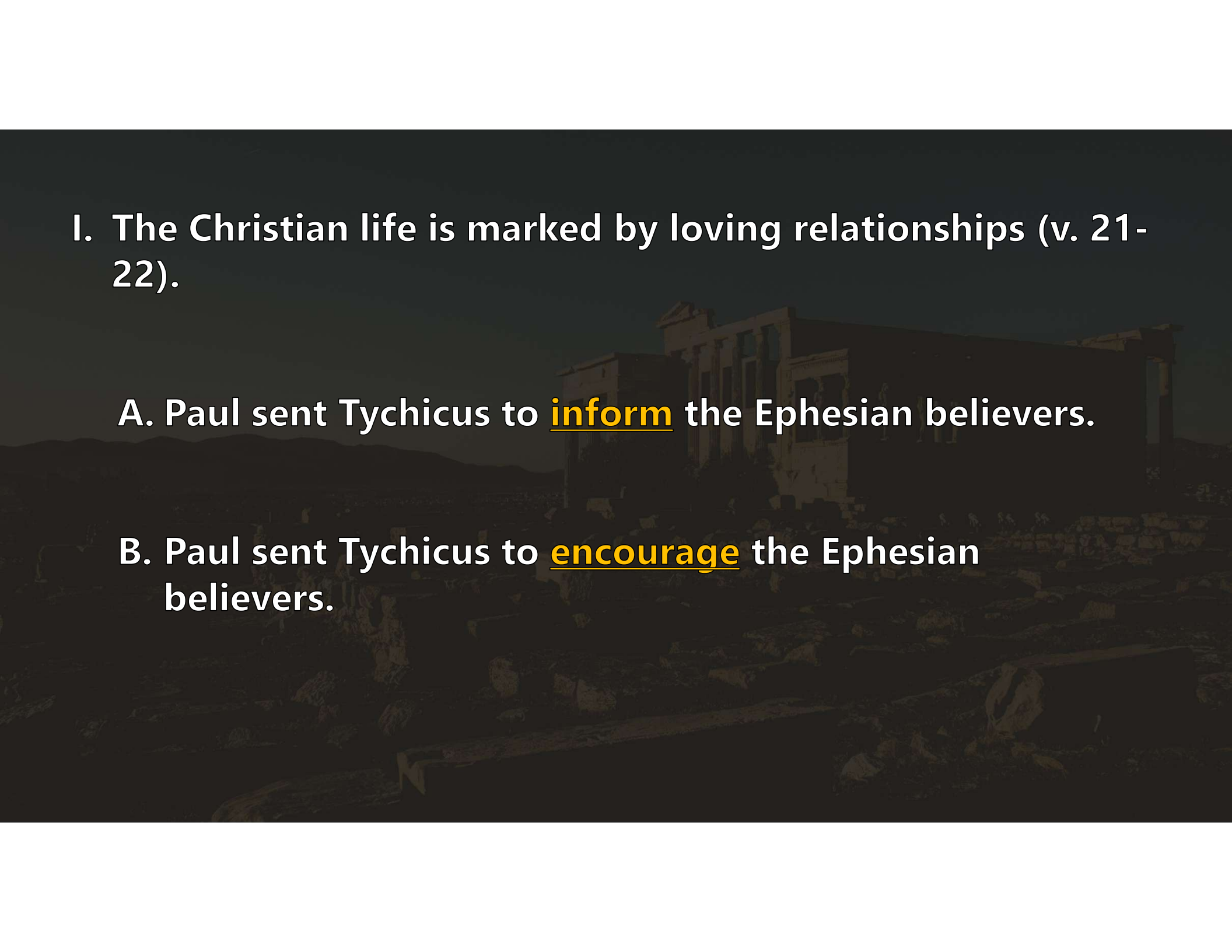
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Application:

Am I engaging in genuine Christian community?

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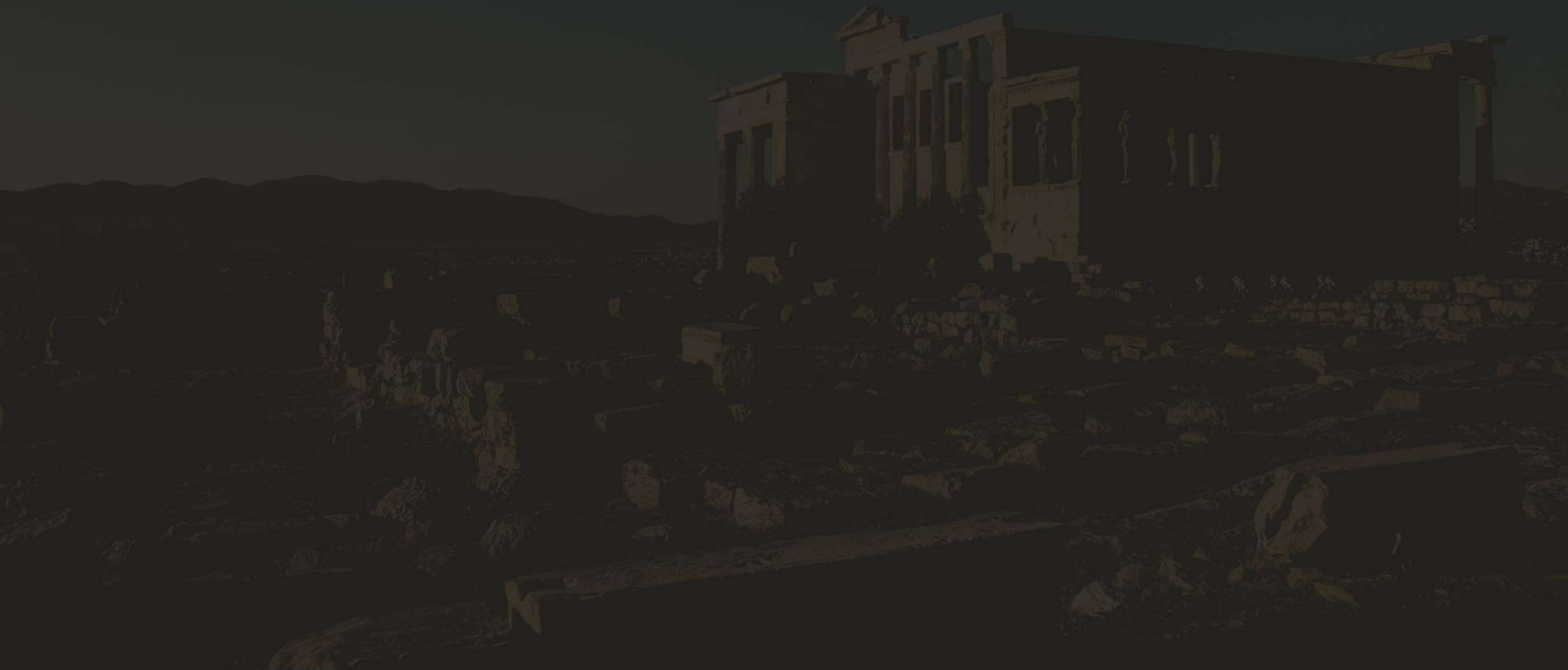
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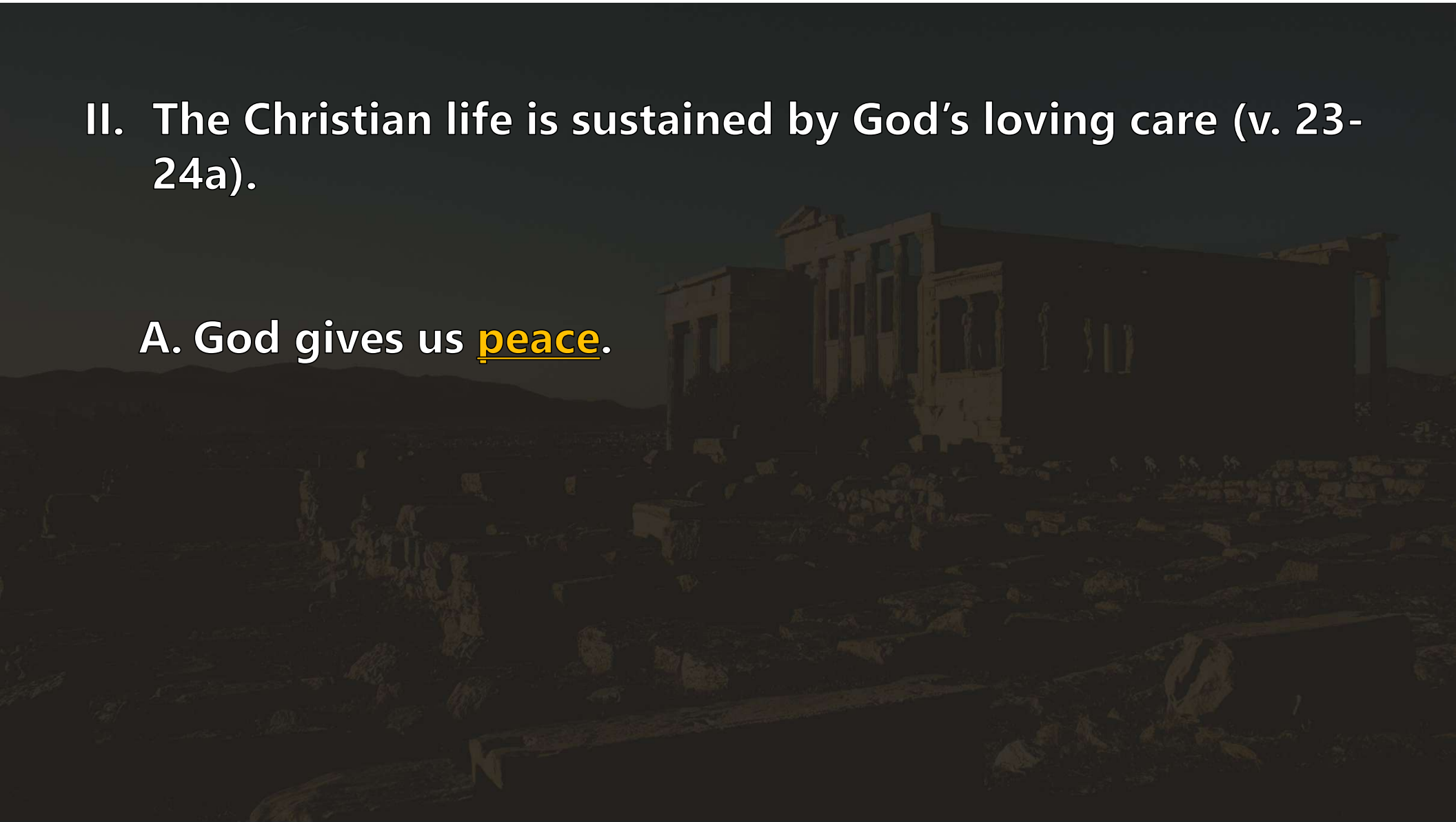
Who can I encourage and how?

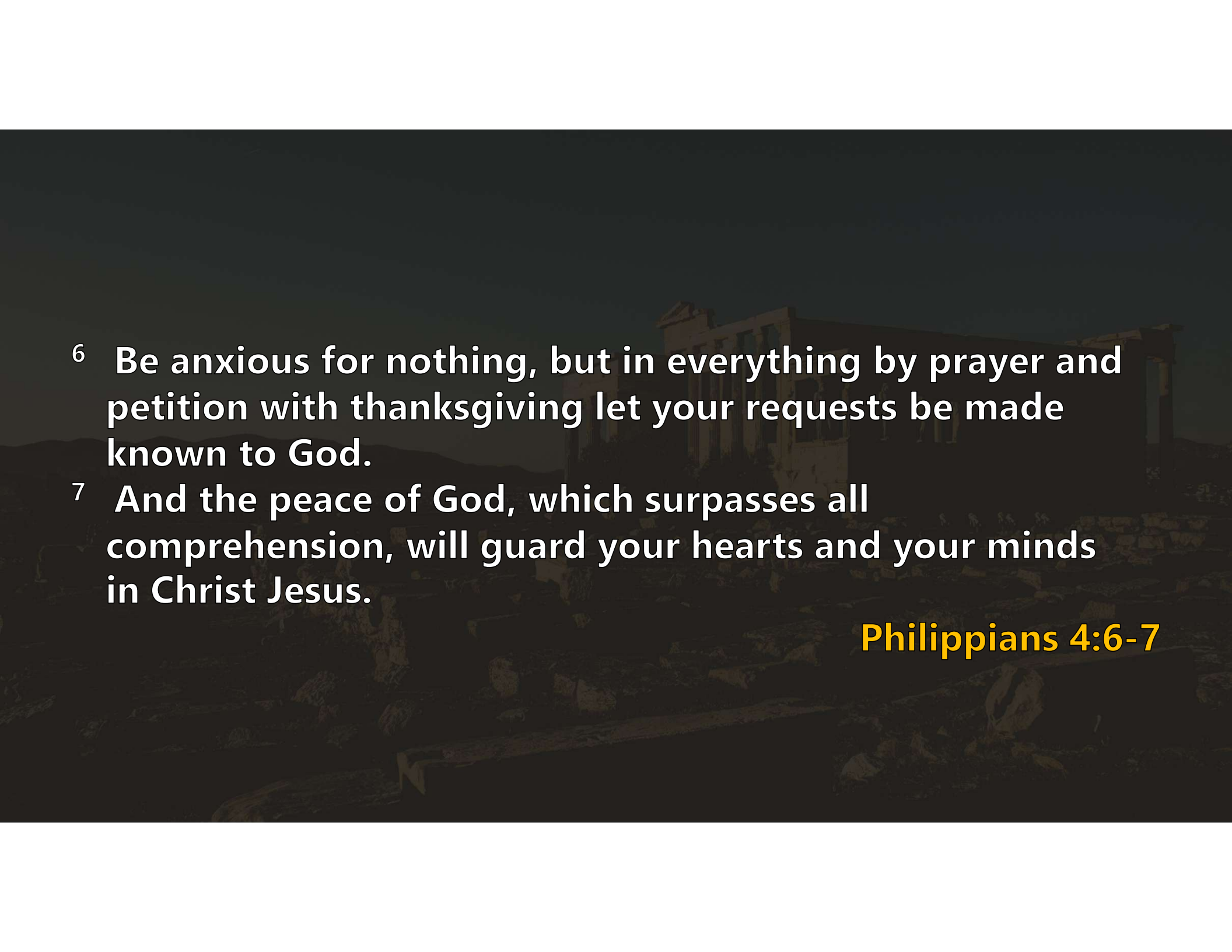
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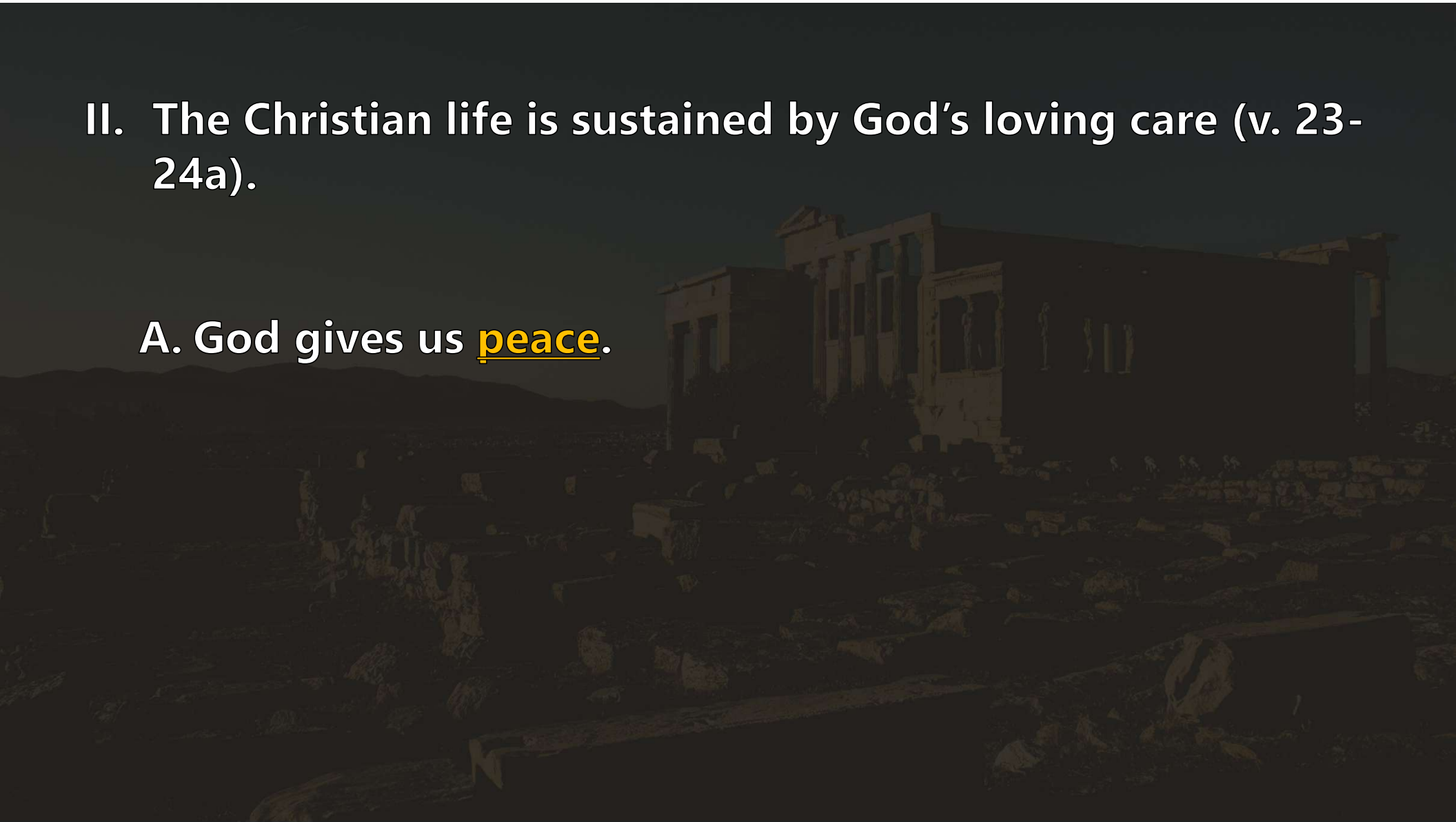


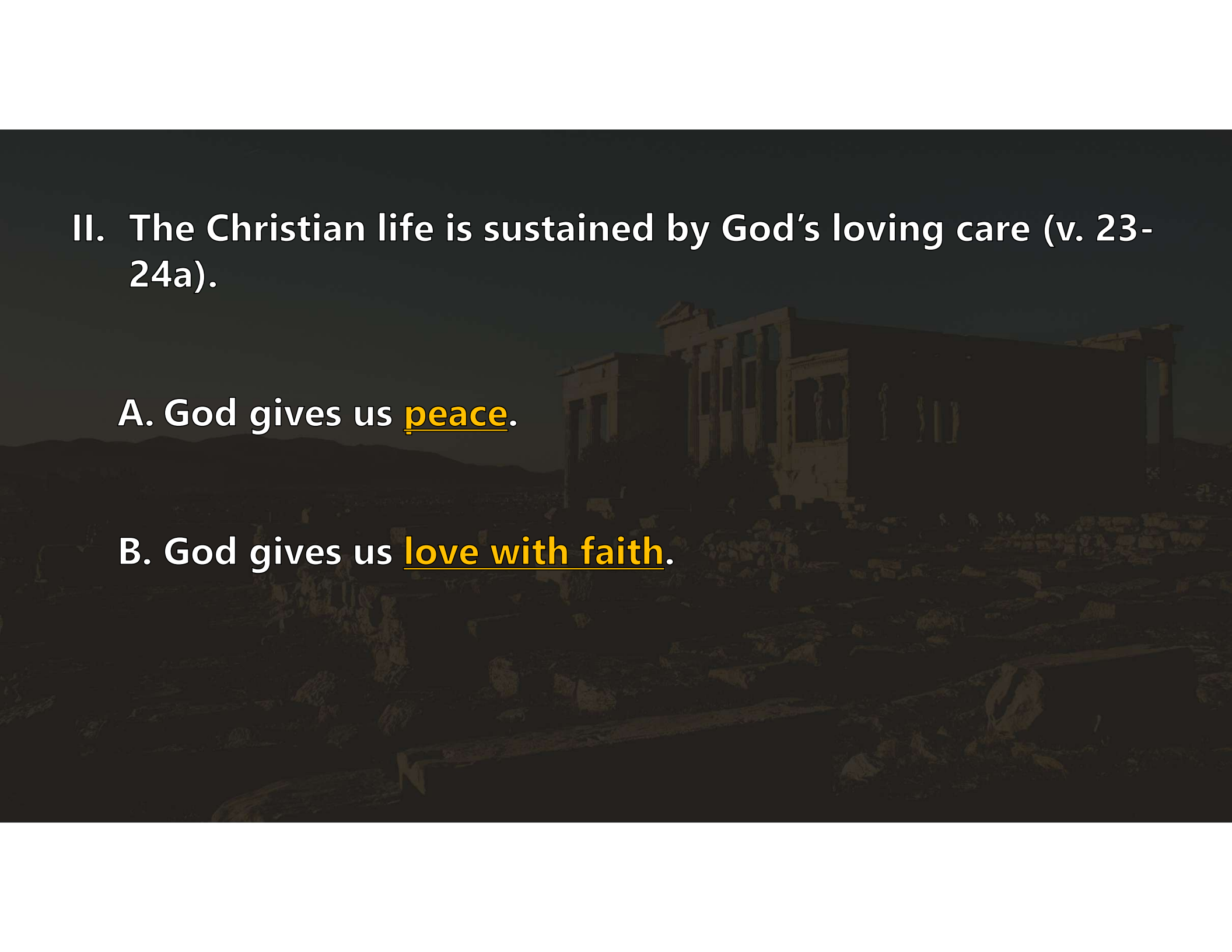
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- ⁶ Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and petition with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.
- ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:6-7

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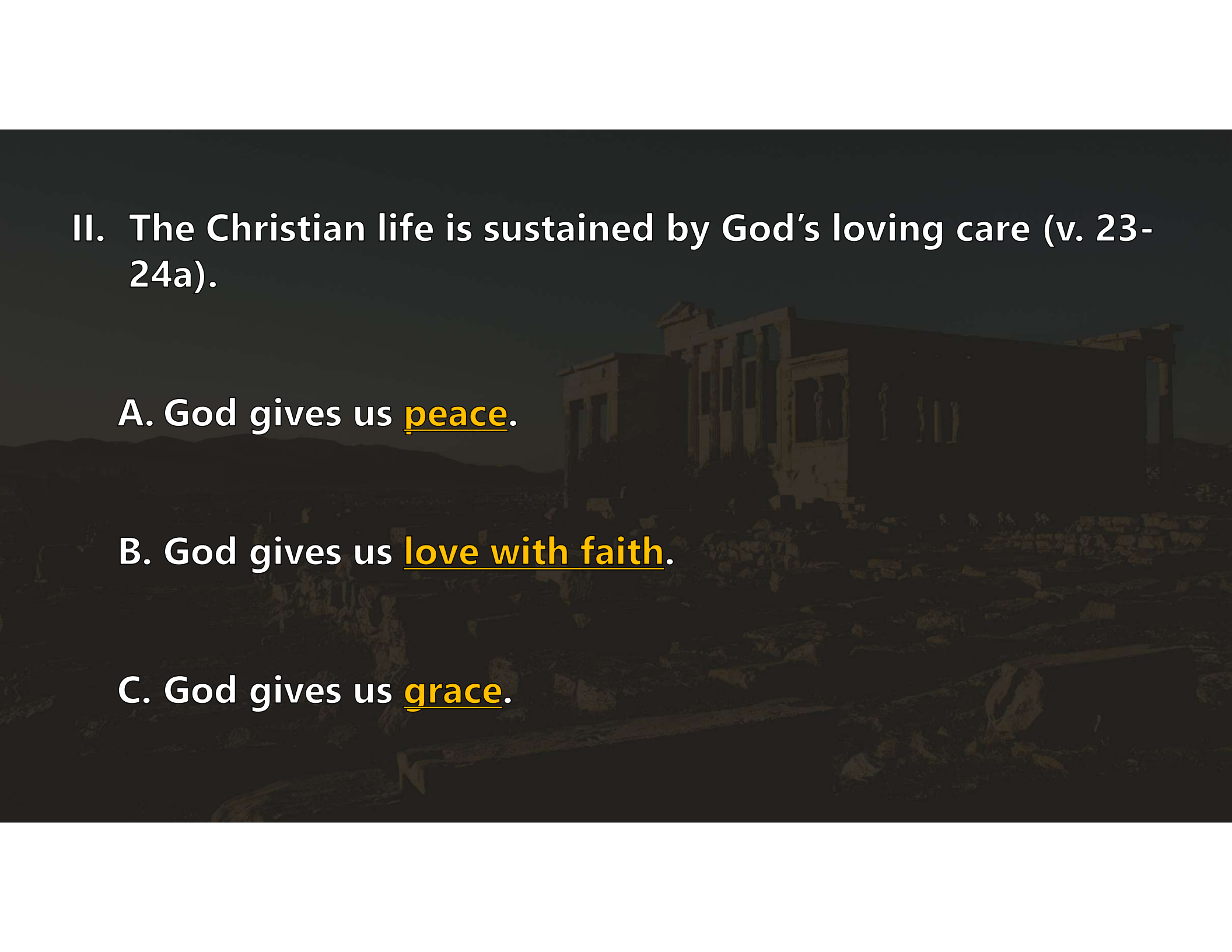




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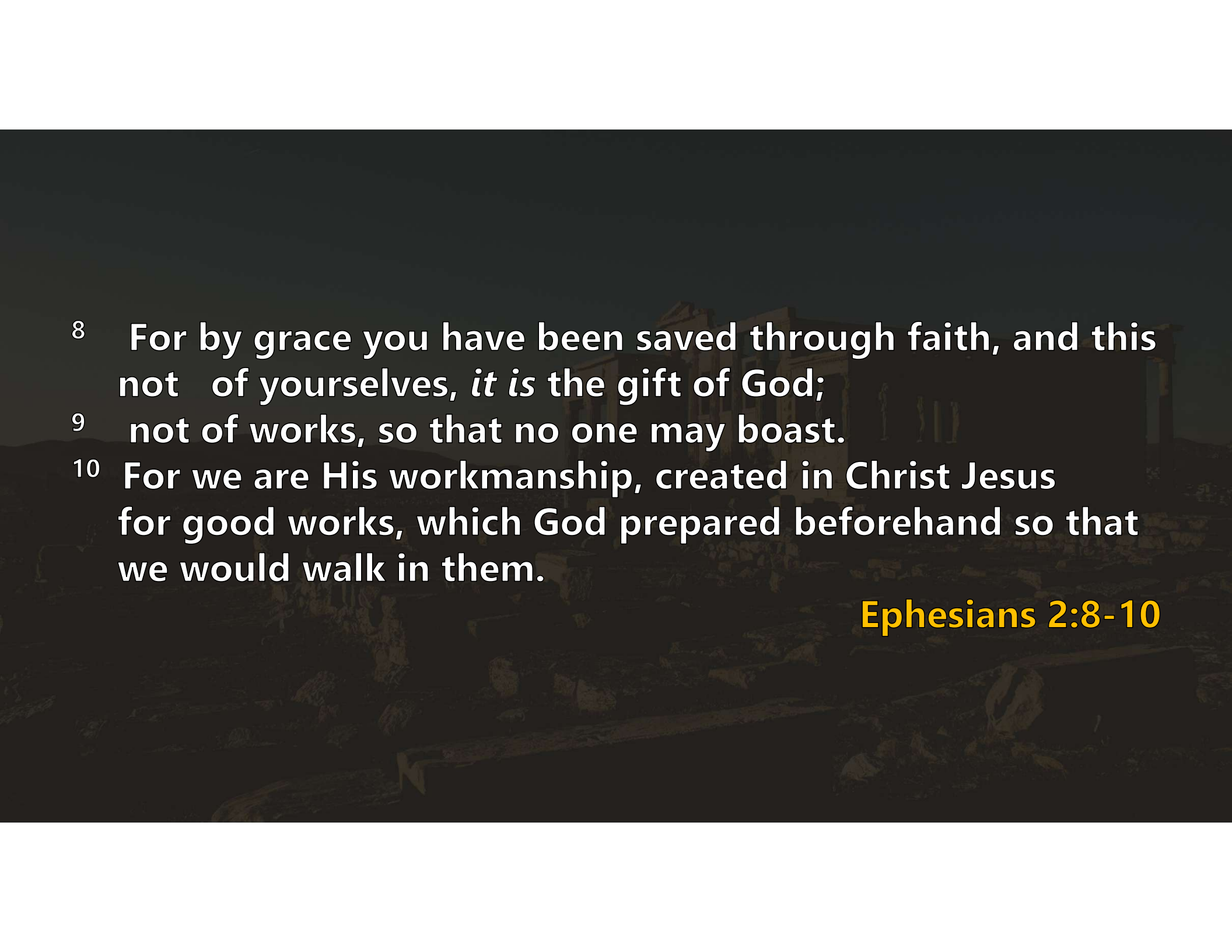


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- ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this
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⁹ not of works, so that no one may boast.
¹⁰ For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus
for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that
we would walk in them.

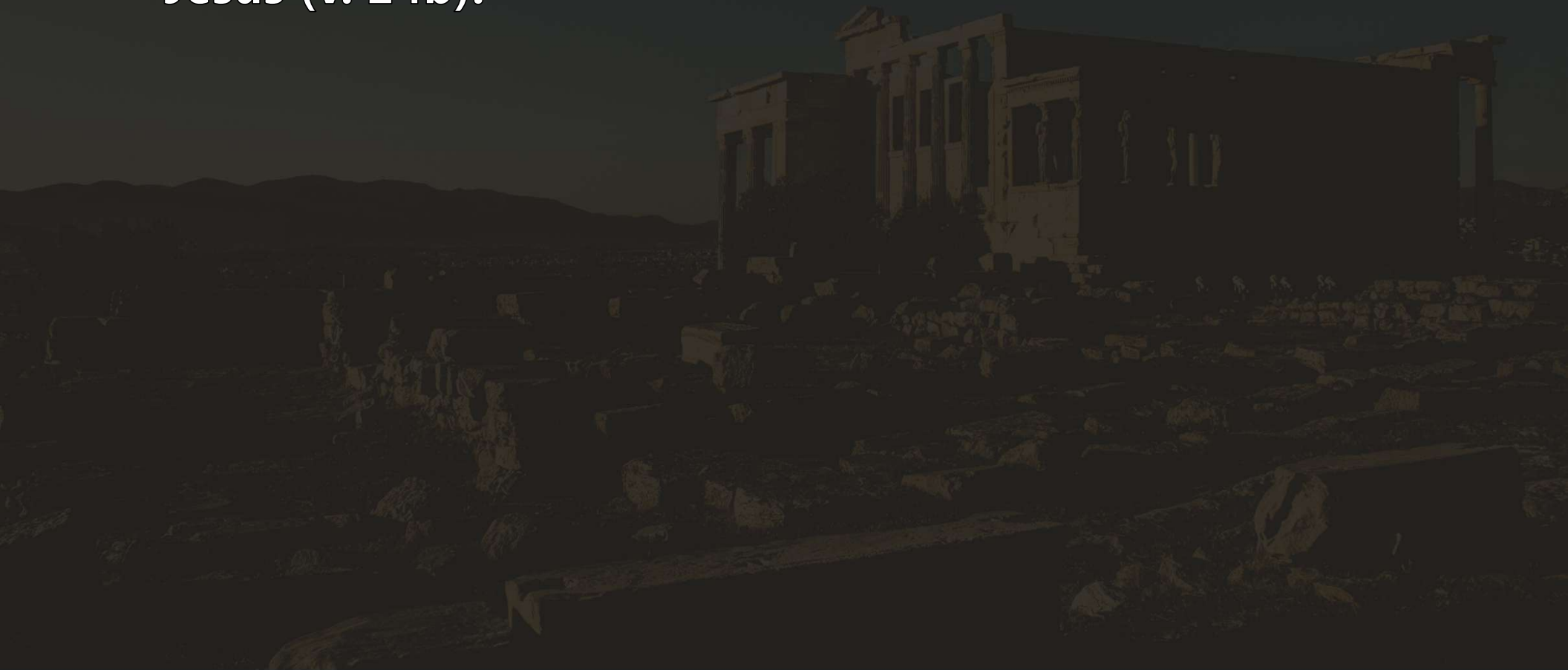
Ephesians 2:8-10

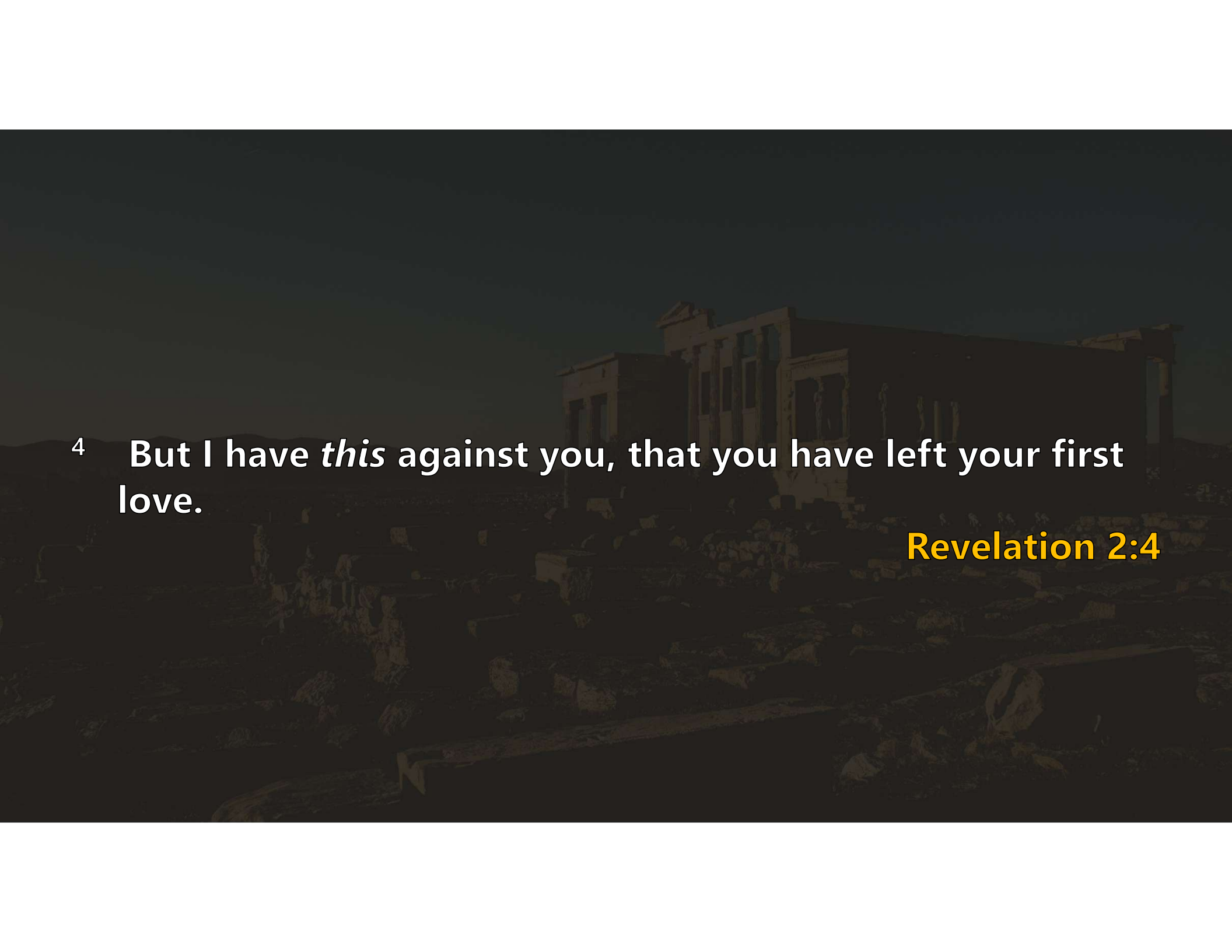


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Am I praying for grace, love with faith, and peace
for myself and others?

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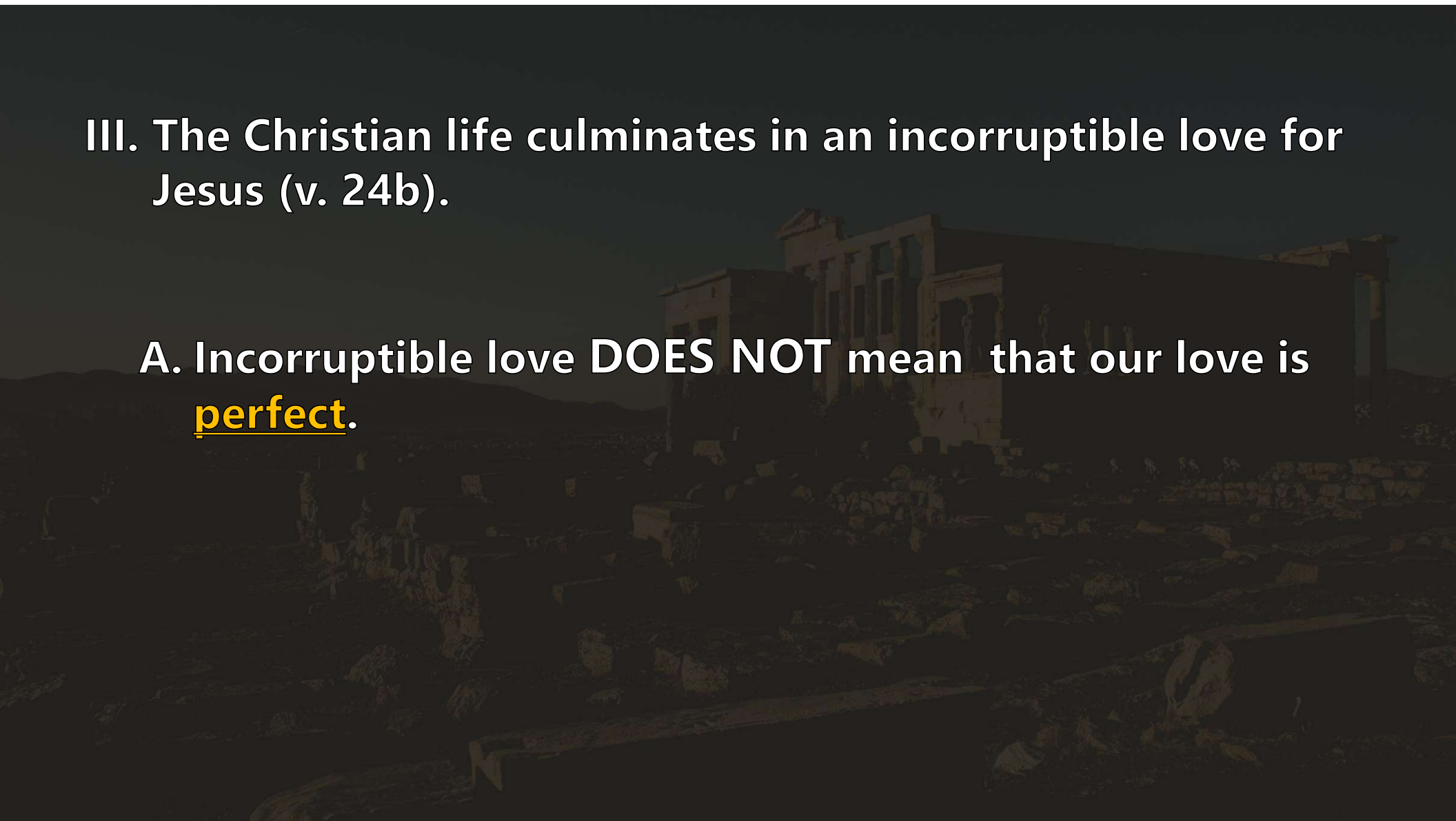
A dark, atmospheric photograph of the ruins of the Temple of Apollo at Delphi, Greece, under a twilight sky. The ruins are silhouetted against a dark, cloudy sky, with some light reflecting off the stone surfaces. The foreground is filled with the remains of the temple's walls and columns, creating a sense of ancient history and decay.

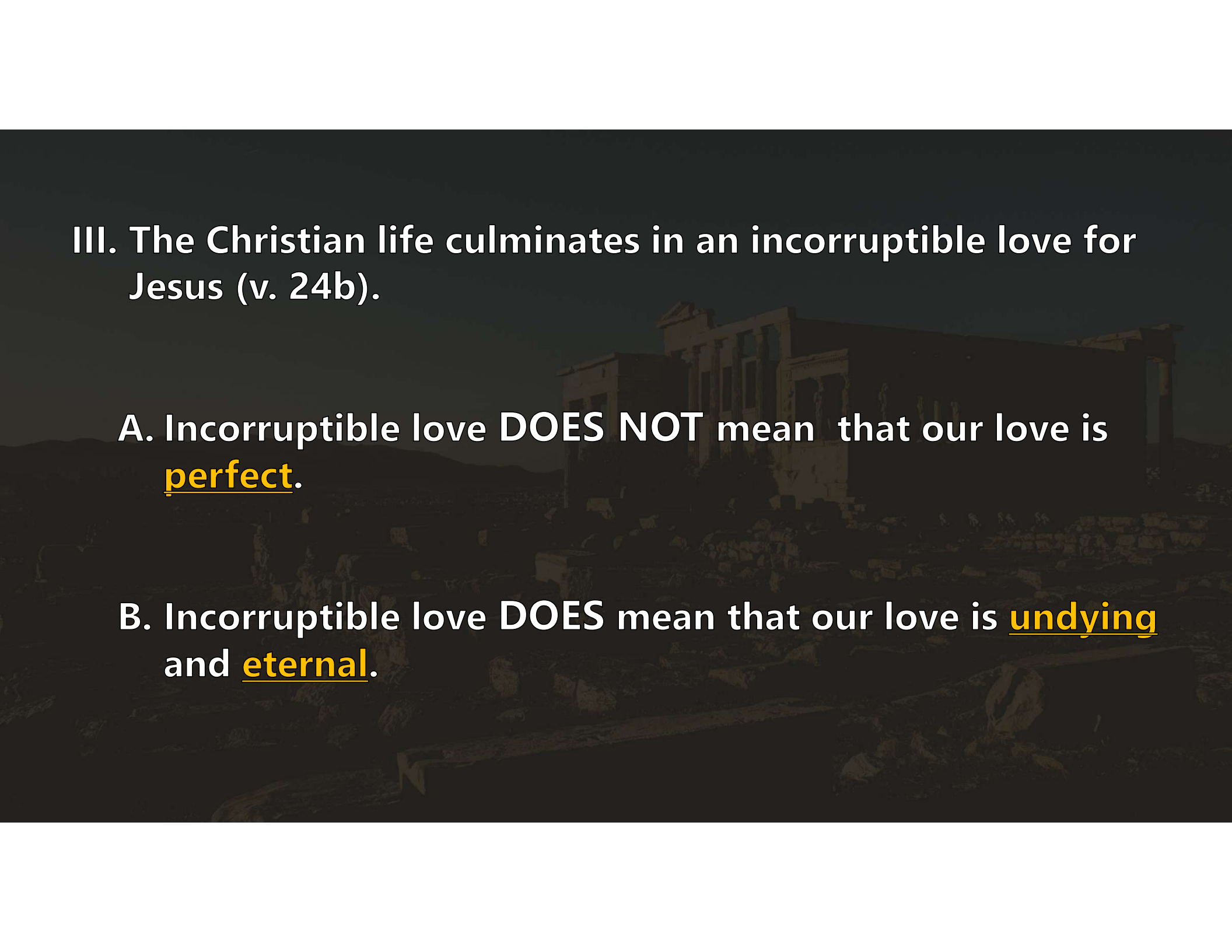
⁴ But I have *this* against you, that you have left your first love.

Revelation 2:4

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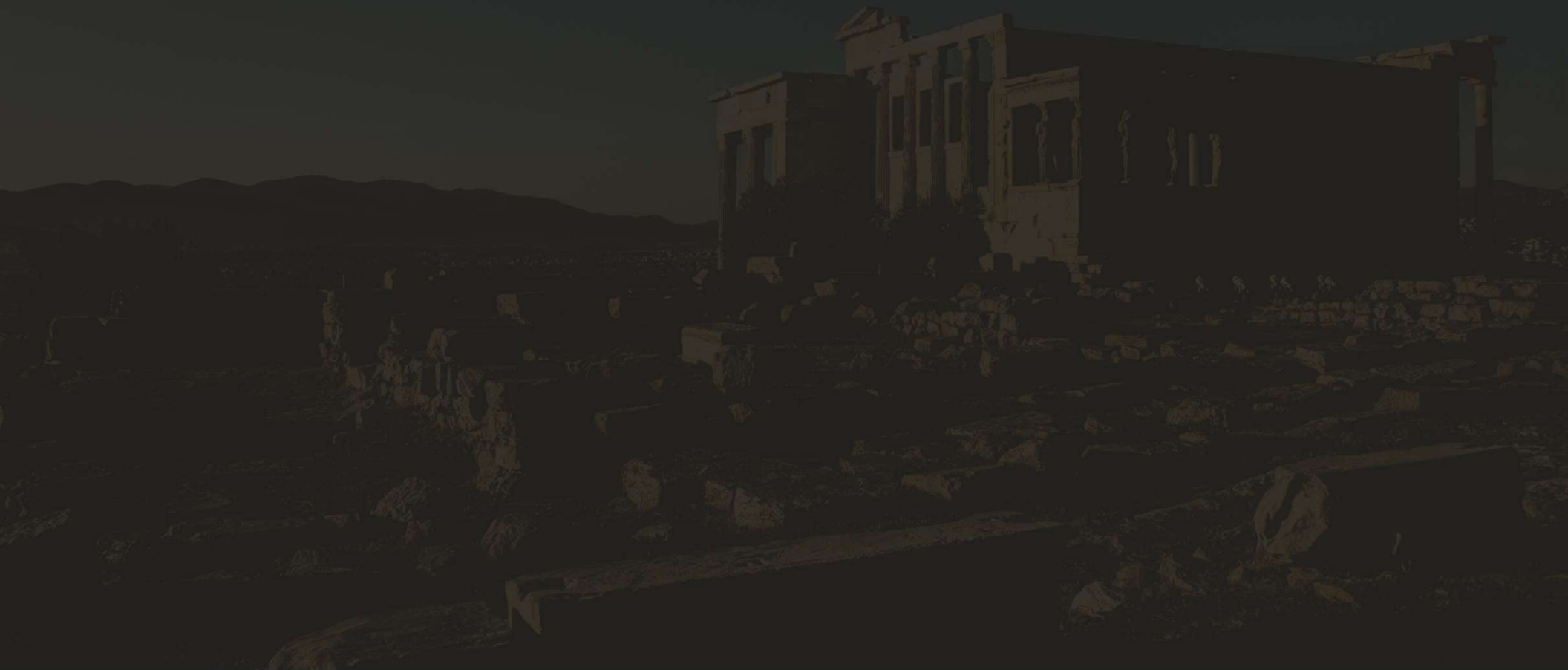


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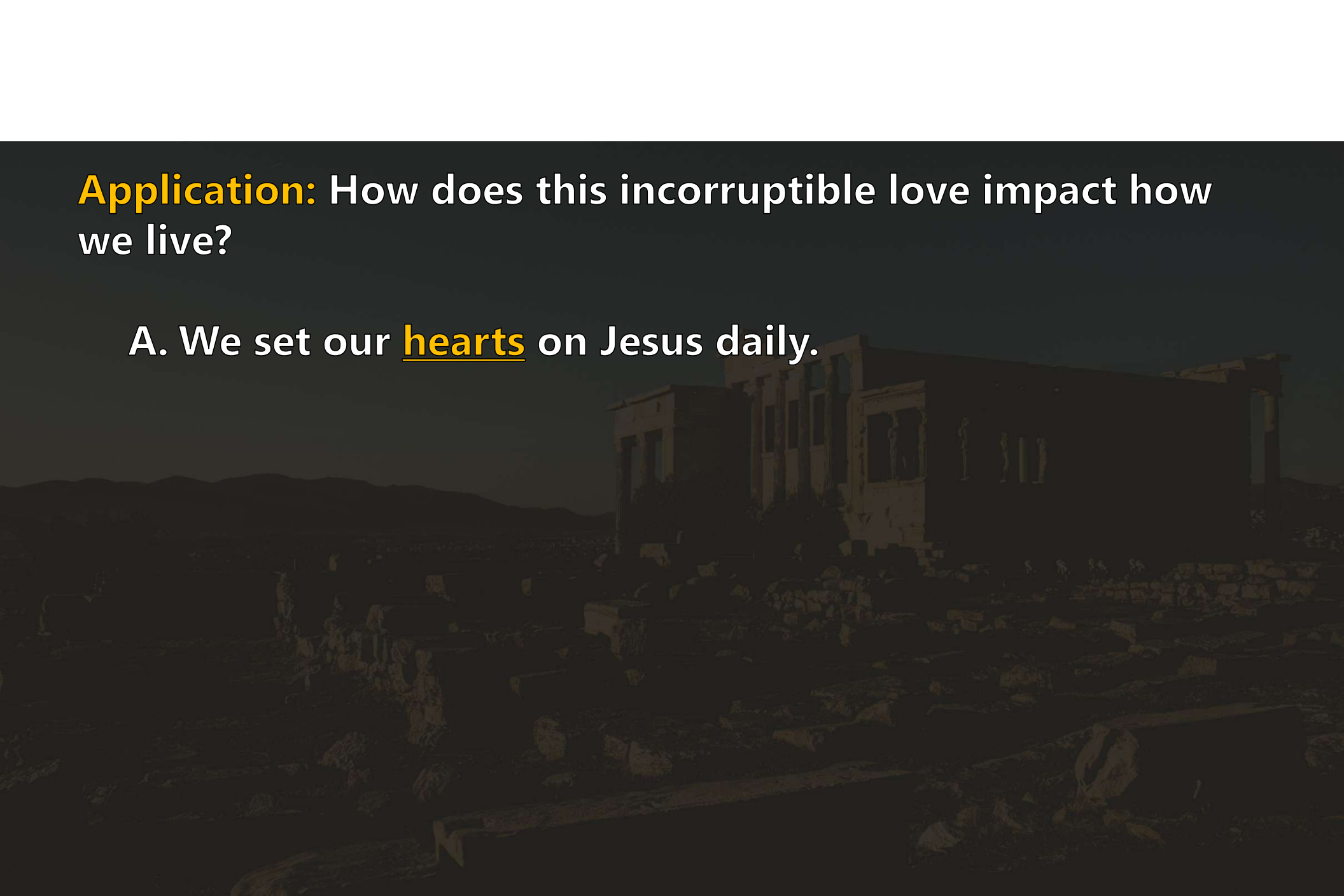
B. Incorruptible love DOES mean that our love is undying and eternal.

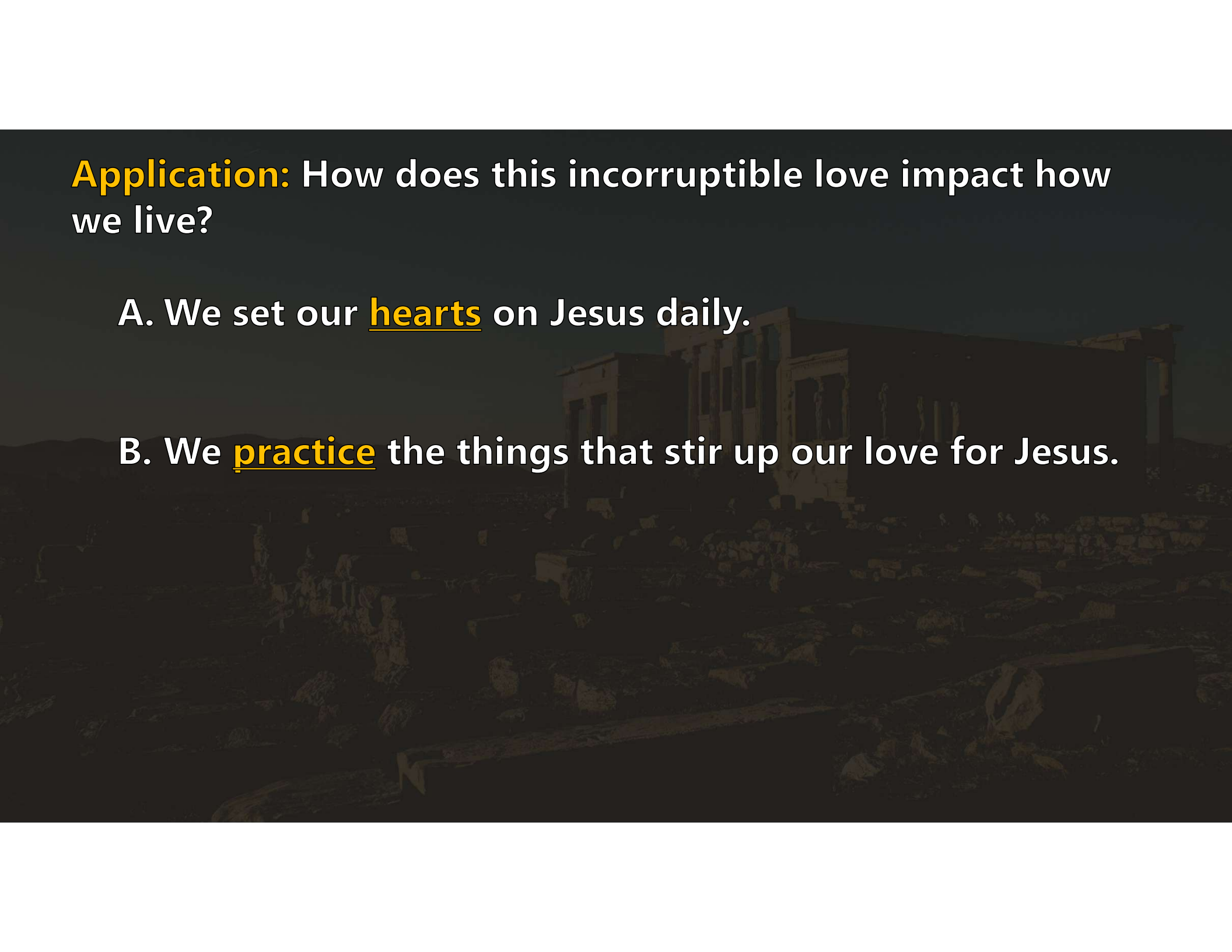
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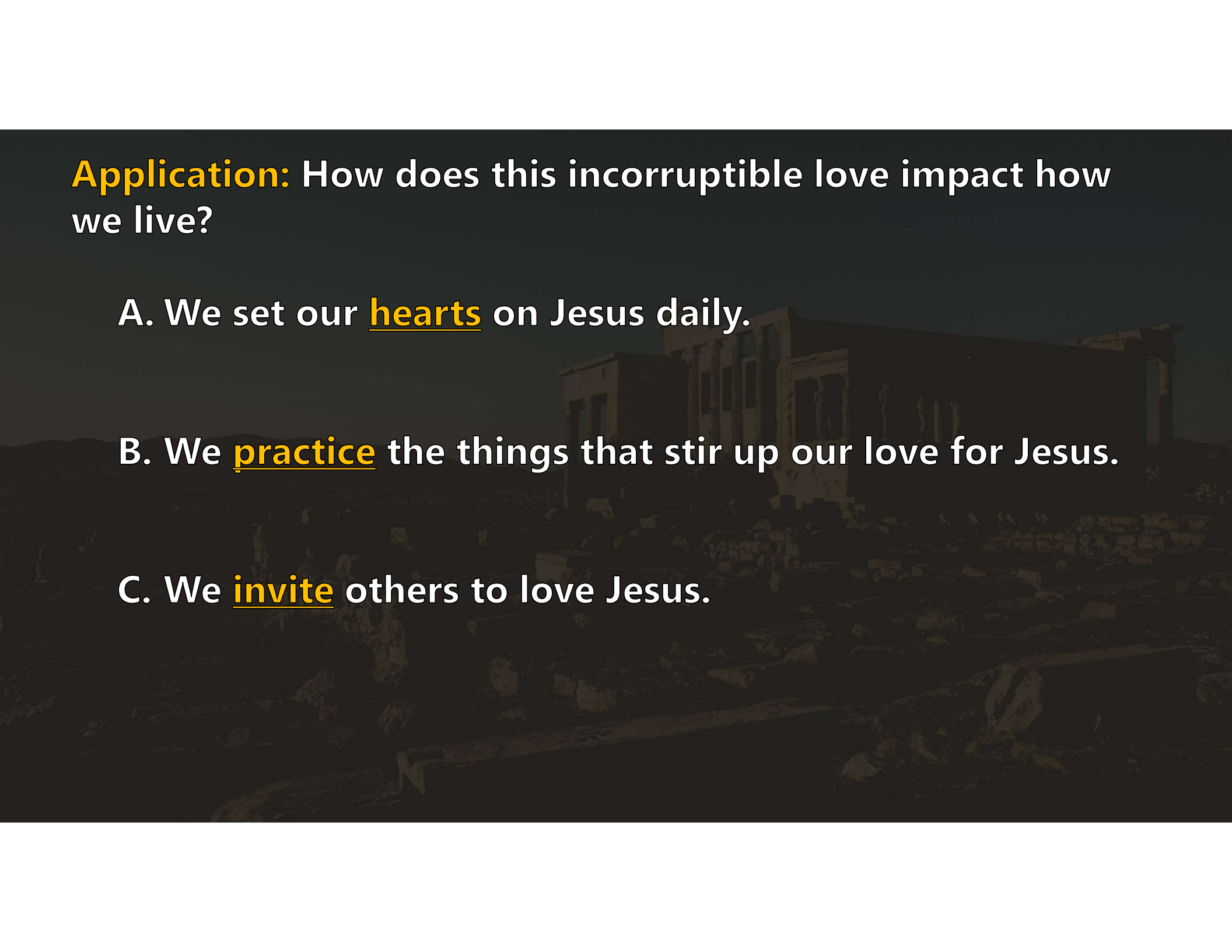




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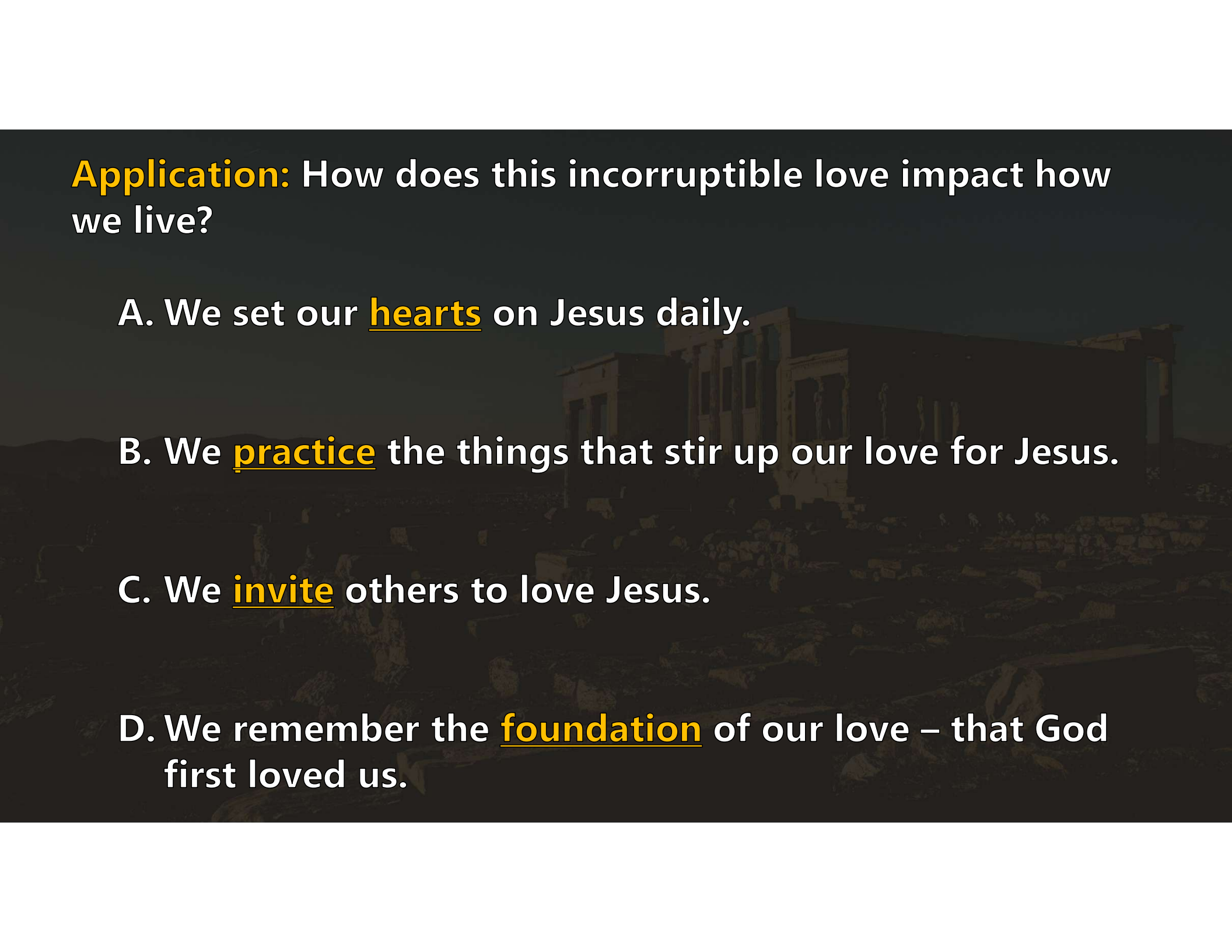


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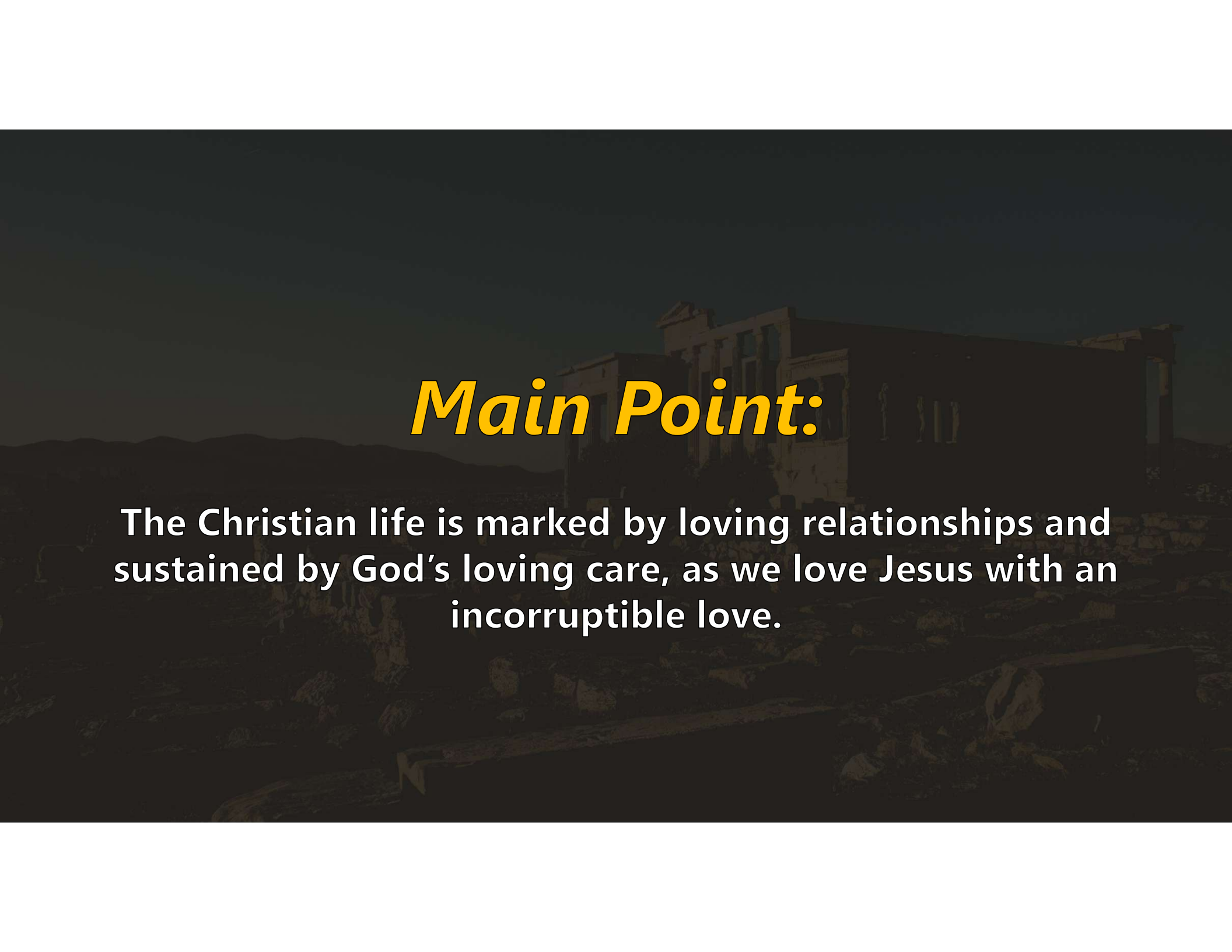
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D. We remember the foundation of our love – that God first loved us.

The background of the slide is a dark, atmospheric photograph of ancient stone ruins, possibly a temple or fortress, silhouetted against a twilight sky. The ruins feature classical architectural elements like columns and a pediment. The overall mood is somber and historical.

Main Point:

The Christian life is marked by loving relationships and sustained by God's loving care, as we love Jesus with an incorruptible love.



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