



Prepare for war!
(Part 1)

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2 Timothy 1:7

for God gave us a
spirit not of fear but
of power and love
and self-control.

End times ?

Ephesians 6:12

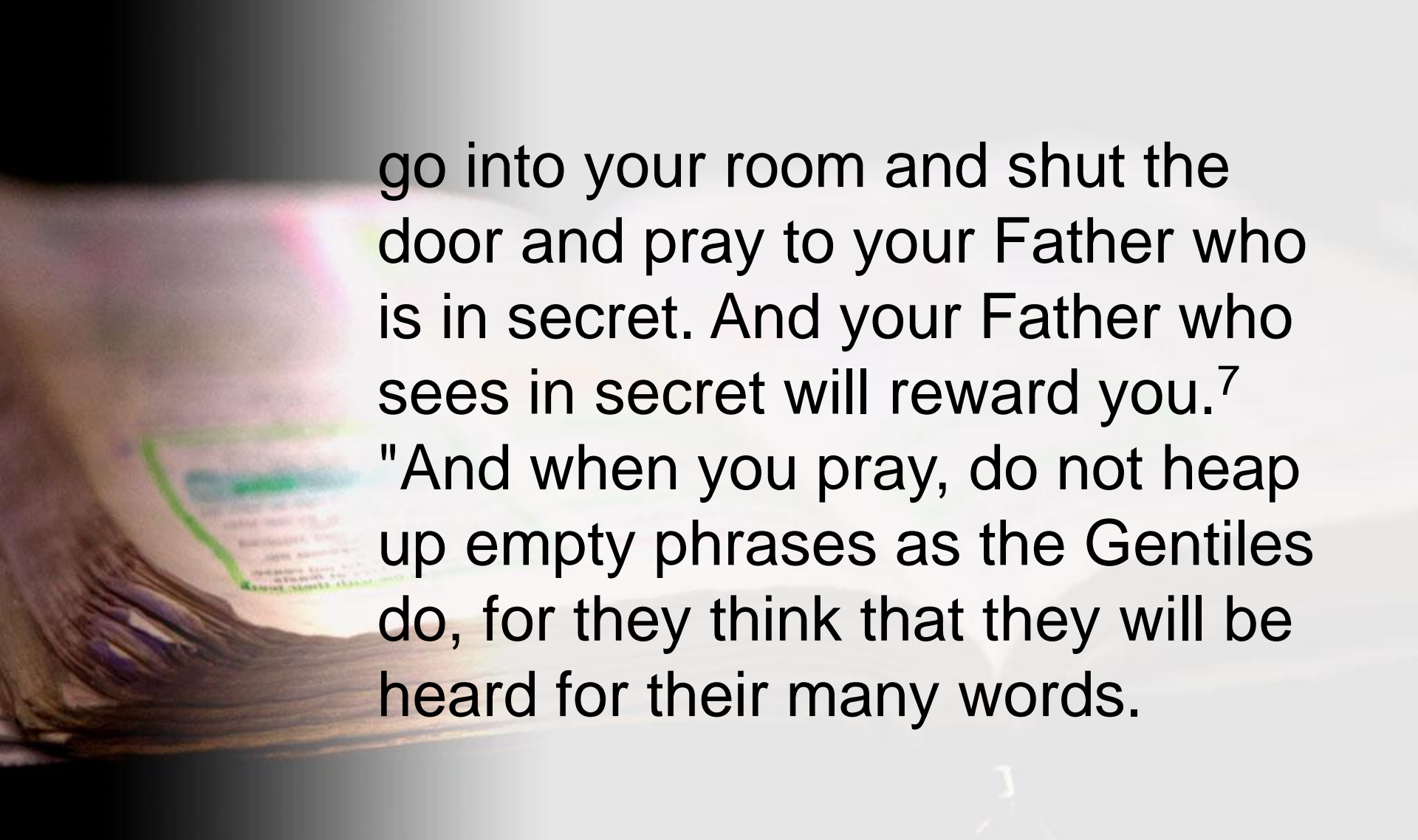
For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

Who is the enemy ?

Matthew 6:5-9

⁵ "And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward.

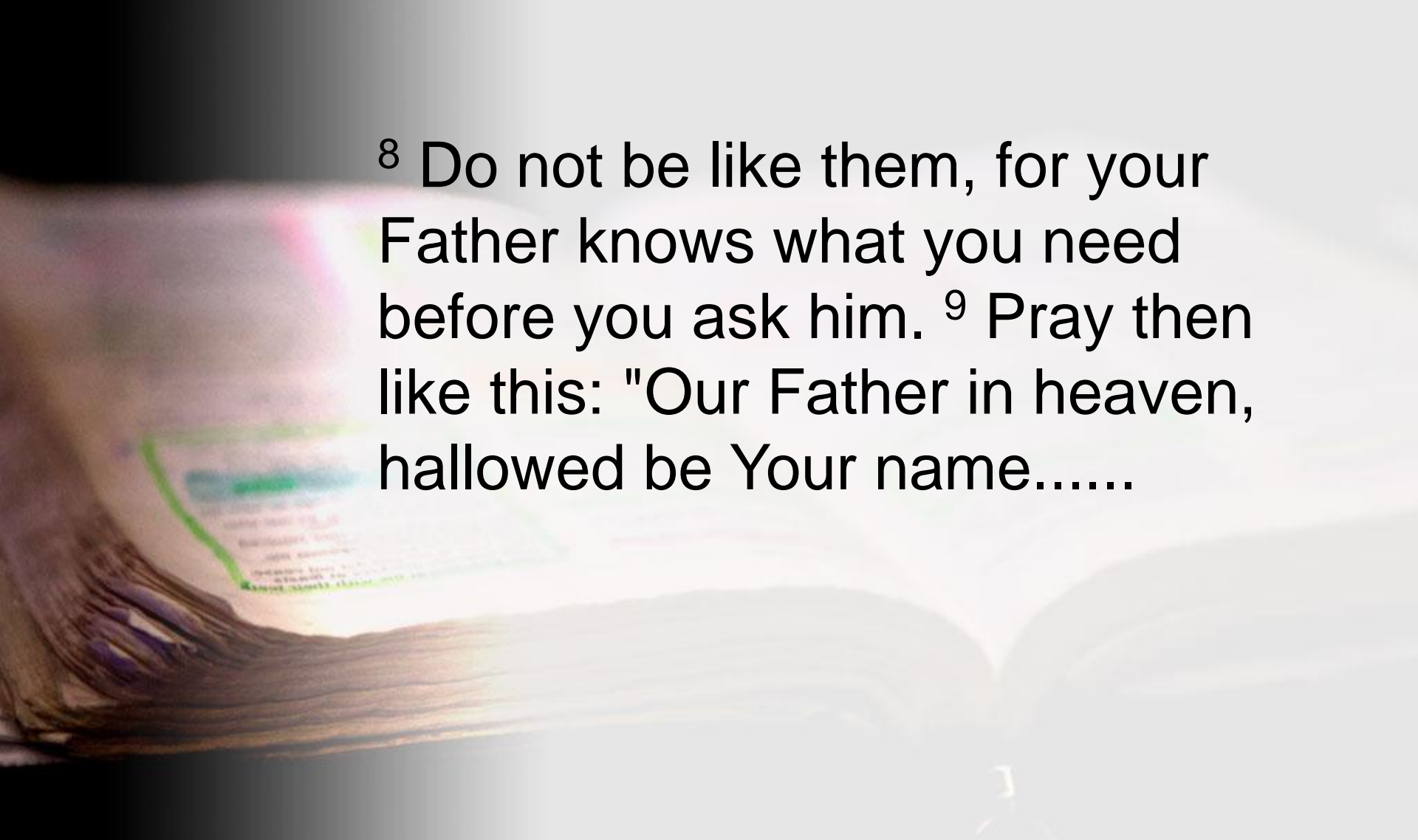
⁶ But when you pray,

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go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.⁷

"And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words.

1. Prayer

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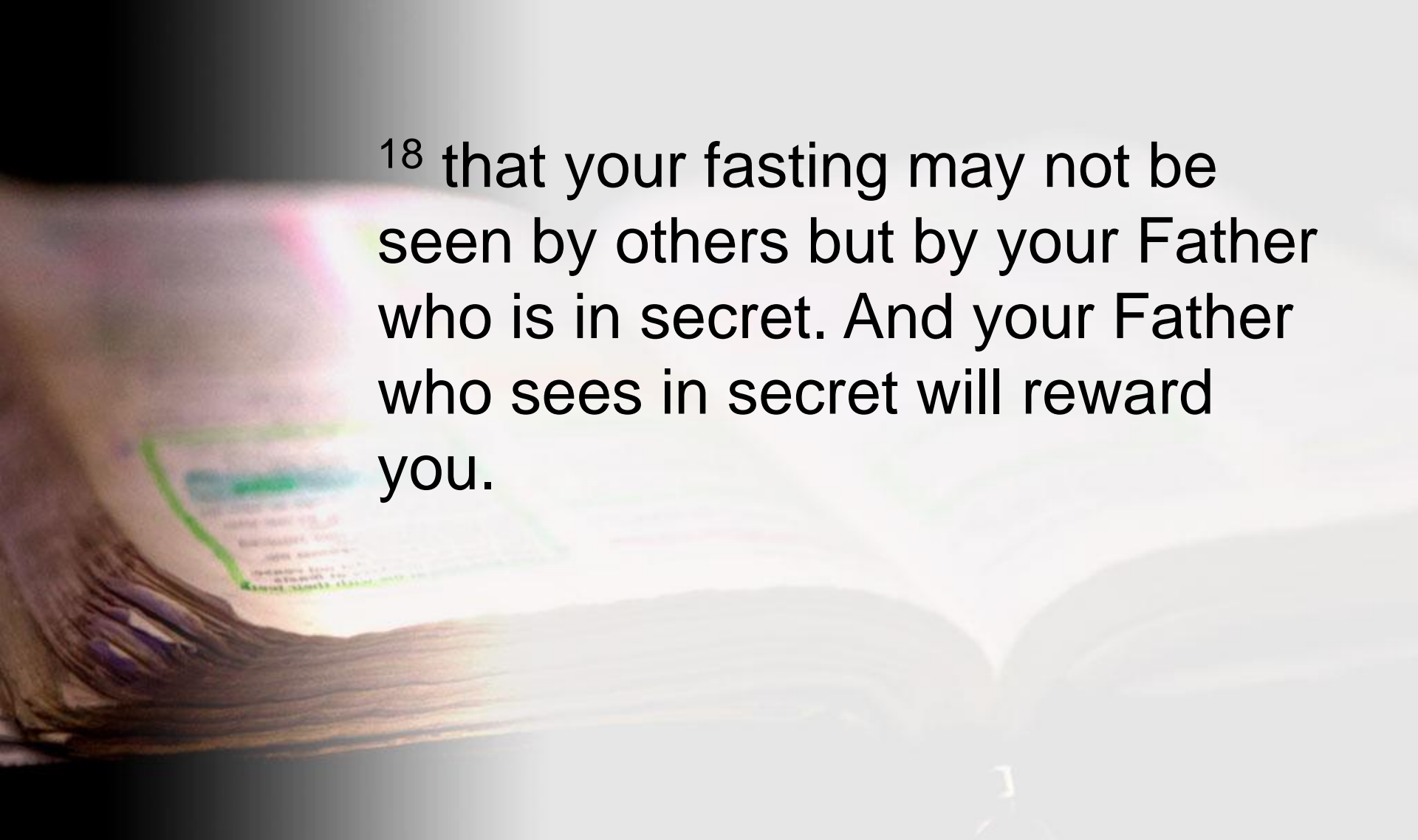
⁸ Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. ⁹ Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name....."

1. Prayer

Matthew 6:16-18

¹⁶ "And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ¹⁷ But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face,

2. Fasting



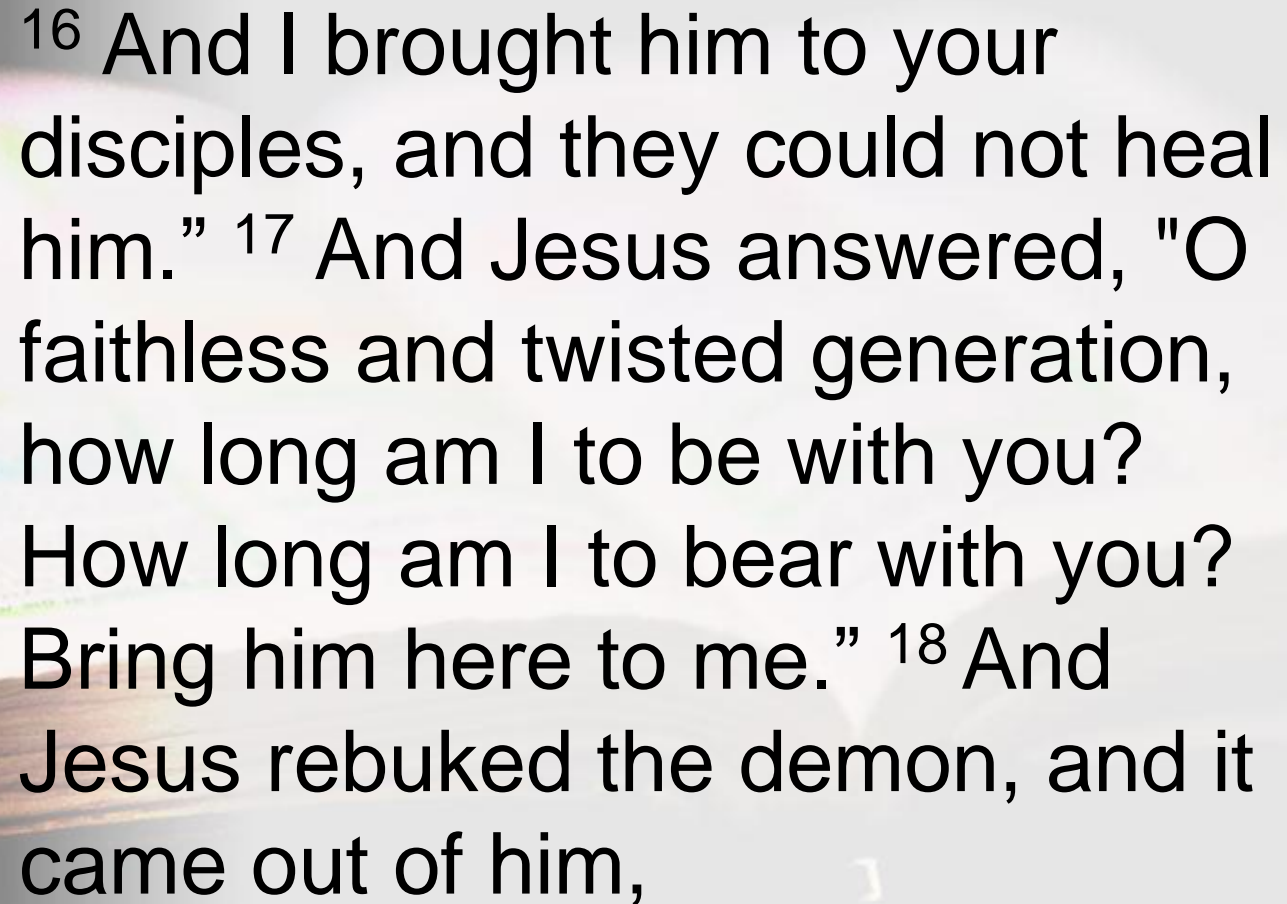
¹⁸ that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

2. Fasting

Matthew 17:14-21

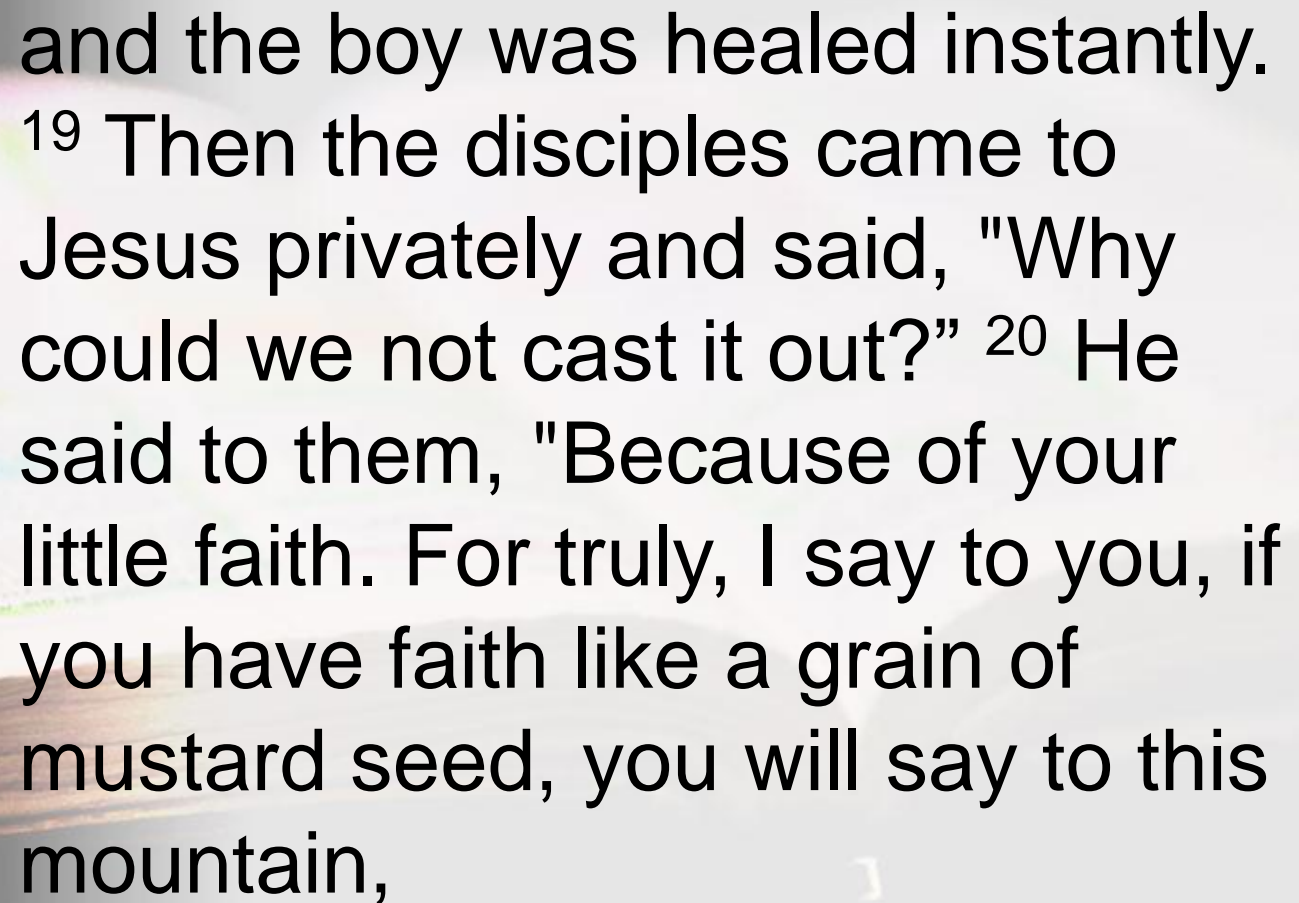
¹⁴ And when they came to the crowd, a man came up to him and, kneeling before him, ¹⁵ said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly. For often he falls into the fire, and often into the water.

2. Fasting

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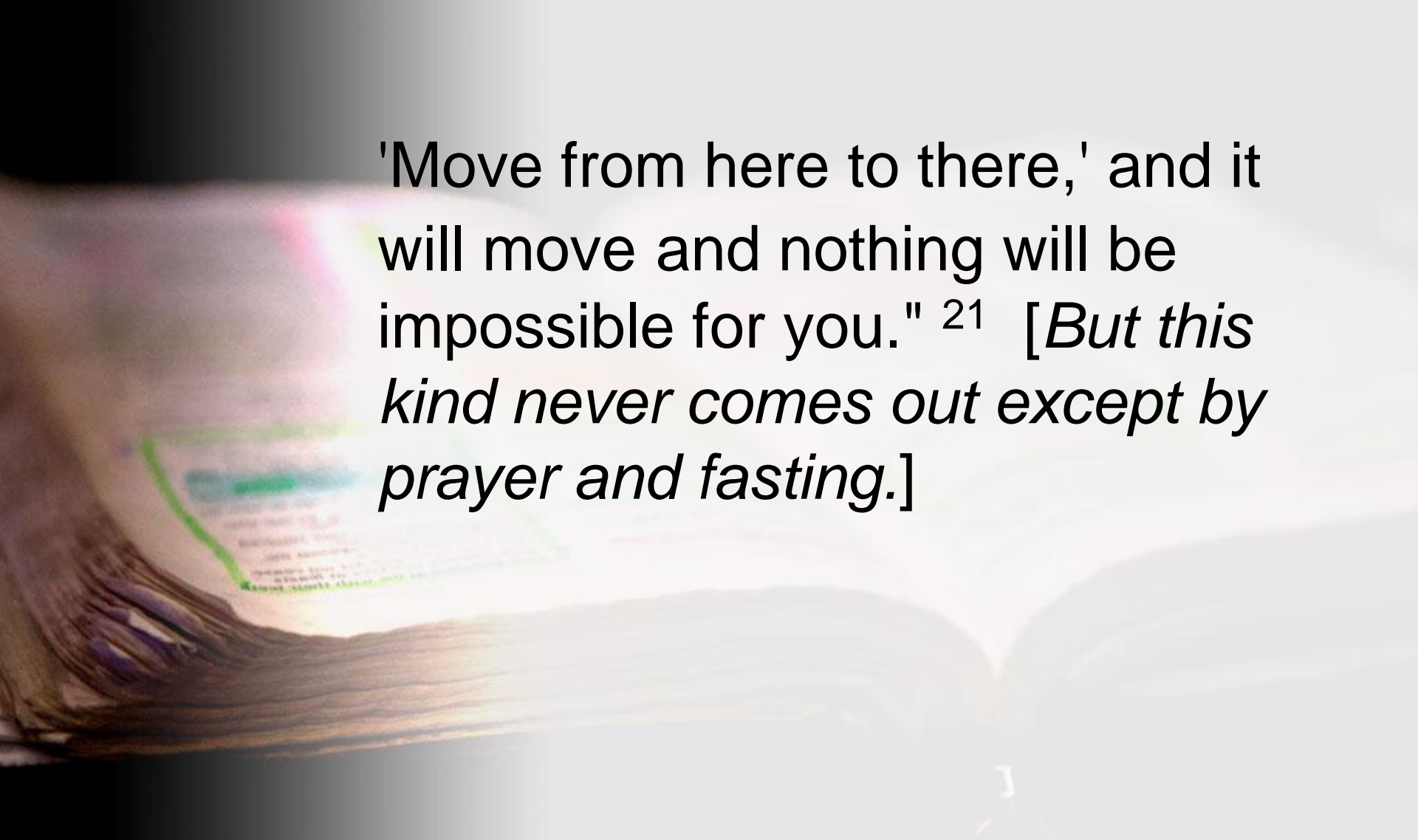
¹⁶ And I brought him to your disciples, and they could not heal him.” ¹⁷ And Jesus answered, "O faithless and twisted generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me.” ¹⁸ And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him,

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and the boy was healed instantly.
¹⁹ Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" ²⁰ He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith like a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain,

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'Move from here to there,' and it will move and nothing will be impossible for you." ²¹ [*But this kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting.*]

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