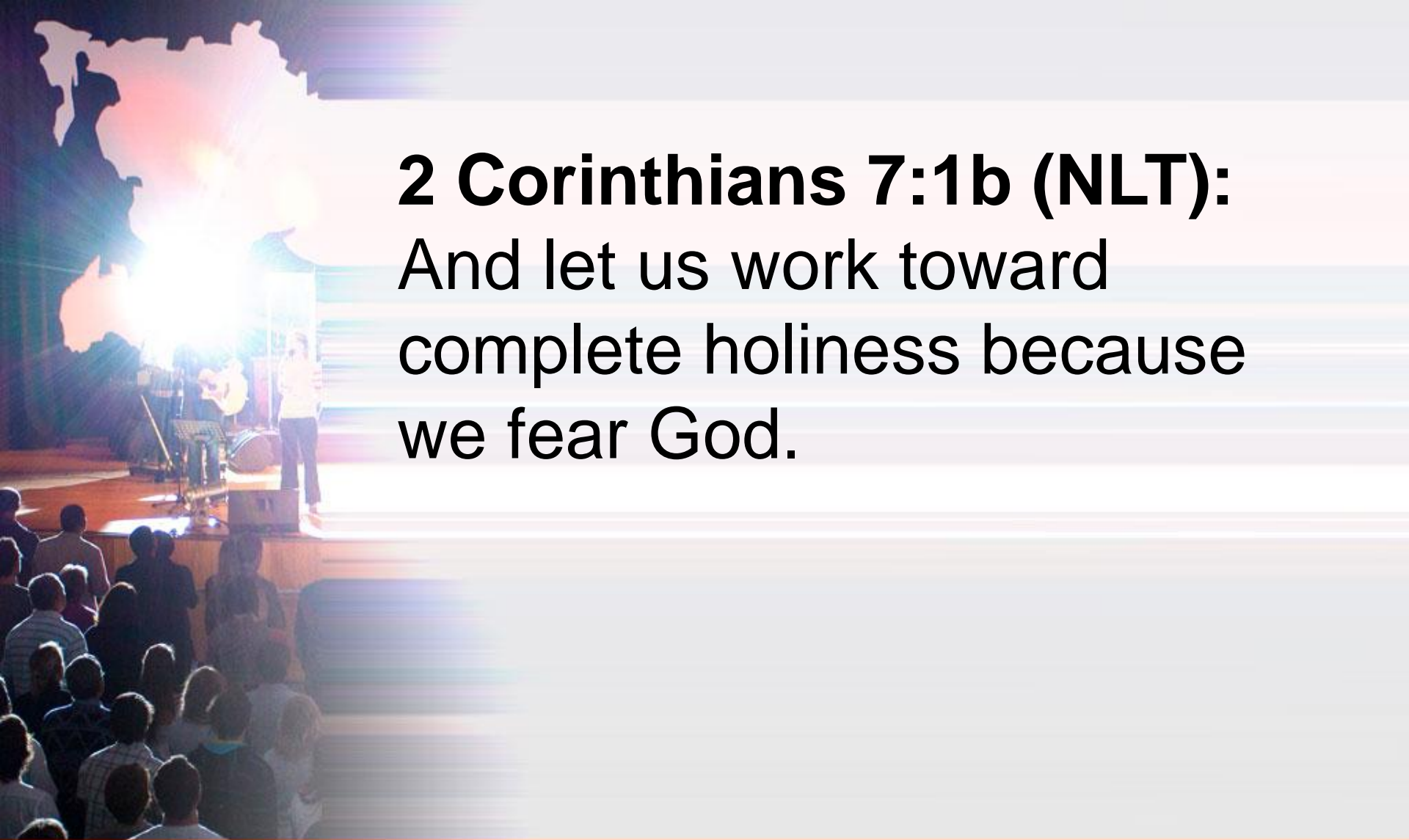
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Compromise – an antidote to Holiness

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2 Corinthians 7:1b (NLT):
And let us work toward
complete holiness because
we fear God.

Call to holiness

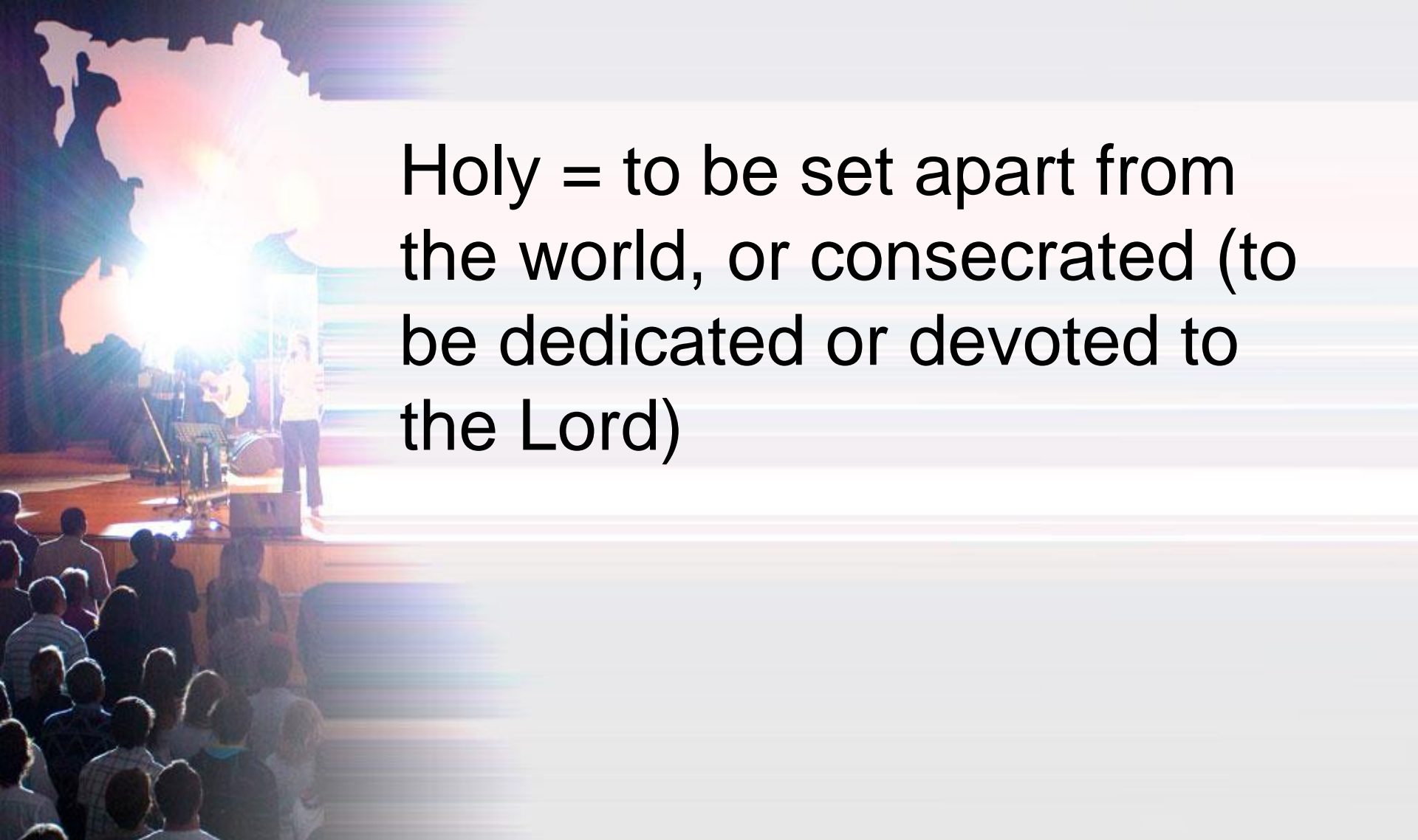
A church service scene with a band on stage and a congregation in the foreground. The stage is lit with bright lights, and a person is visible on stage. The congregation is seen from behind, looking towards the stage.

1 Peter 1:15-16 (NLT):

¹⁵ But now you must be holy in everything you do, just as God who chose you is holy.

¹⁶ For the Scriptures say, “You must be holy because I am holy.”

Be holy

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Holy = to be set apart from the world, or consecrated (to be dedicated or devoted to the Lord)

What does “holy” mean?

A church service scene with a band on stage and a congregation in the foreground. The stage is lit with bright lights, and a person is standing on it. The background features a large map of the world.

John 12:30a, 31-32 (NLT):

³⁰ Then Jesus told them...

³¹ The time for judging this world has come, when Satan, the ruler of this world, will be cast out. ³² And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself.”

World

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World = where the enemy,
Satan, reigns

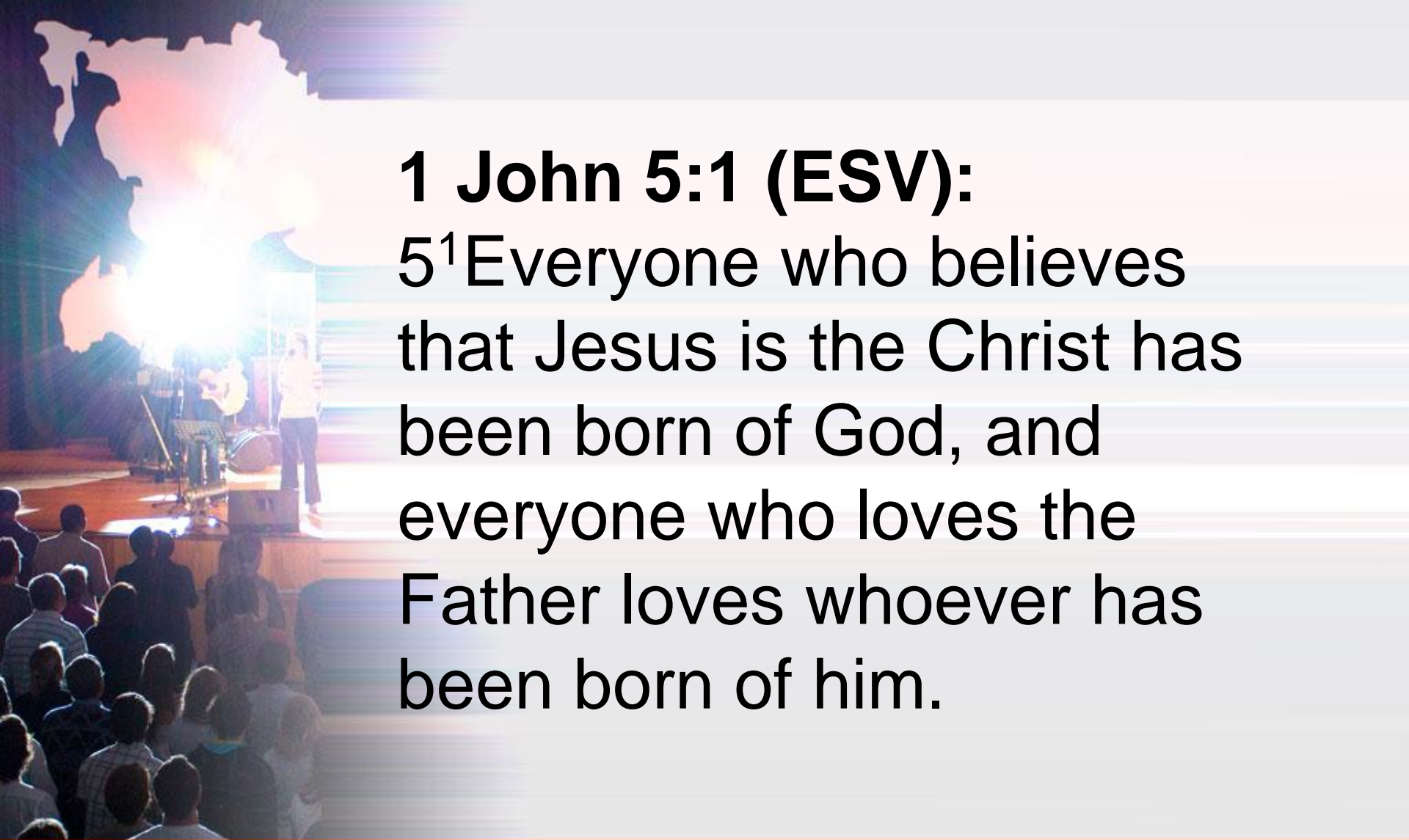
What does “world” mean?

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John 16:33 (NLT):

33 I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world.”

Good news!

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1 John 5:1 (ESV):

5¹ Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him.

Holy living

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1 John 5:2-3 (ESV):

²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome.

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1 John 5:4-5 (ESV):

⁴For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. ⁵Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?


Holy living

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John 15:18-20 (NLT):

¹⁸ “If the world hates you, remember that it hated me first. ¹⁹ The world would love you as one of its own if you belonged to it, but you are no longer part of the world. I chose you to come out of the world, so it hates you. ²⁰ Do you remember what I told you? ‘A slave is not greater than the master.’ Since they persecuted me, naturally they will persecute you. And if they had listened to me, they would listen to you.

Our environment

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Compromise = to come to an agreement

Compromise with the world =
come to an agreement with
Satan

What does “compromise” mean?

Pure water





Would you drink
this water?

Without knowing
what has been
added to it?

Is it Aspirin? Or
rat poison? Or
what?

Would you drink this water? What was in the bucket?



**DO YOU KNOW THAT
ONE LITRE OF
USED OIL CAN
CONTAMINATE
ONE MILLION
LITRES OF WATER**



- Look – appearance,
- Smell – aroma,
- Taste – flavour.
- Compare it with the real thing

Test what we take in

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Romans 12:1 (ESV):

¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

Actively renew our minds

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Romans 12:2 (ESV):

²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

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Romans 12:9 (ESV):

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good.

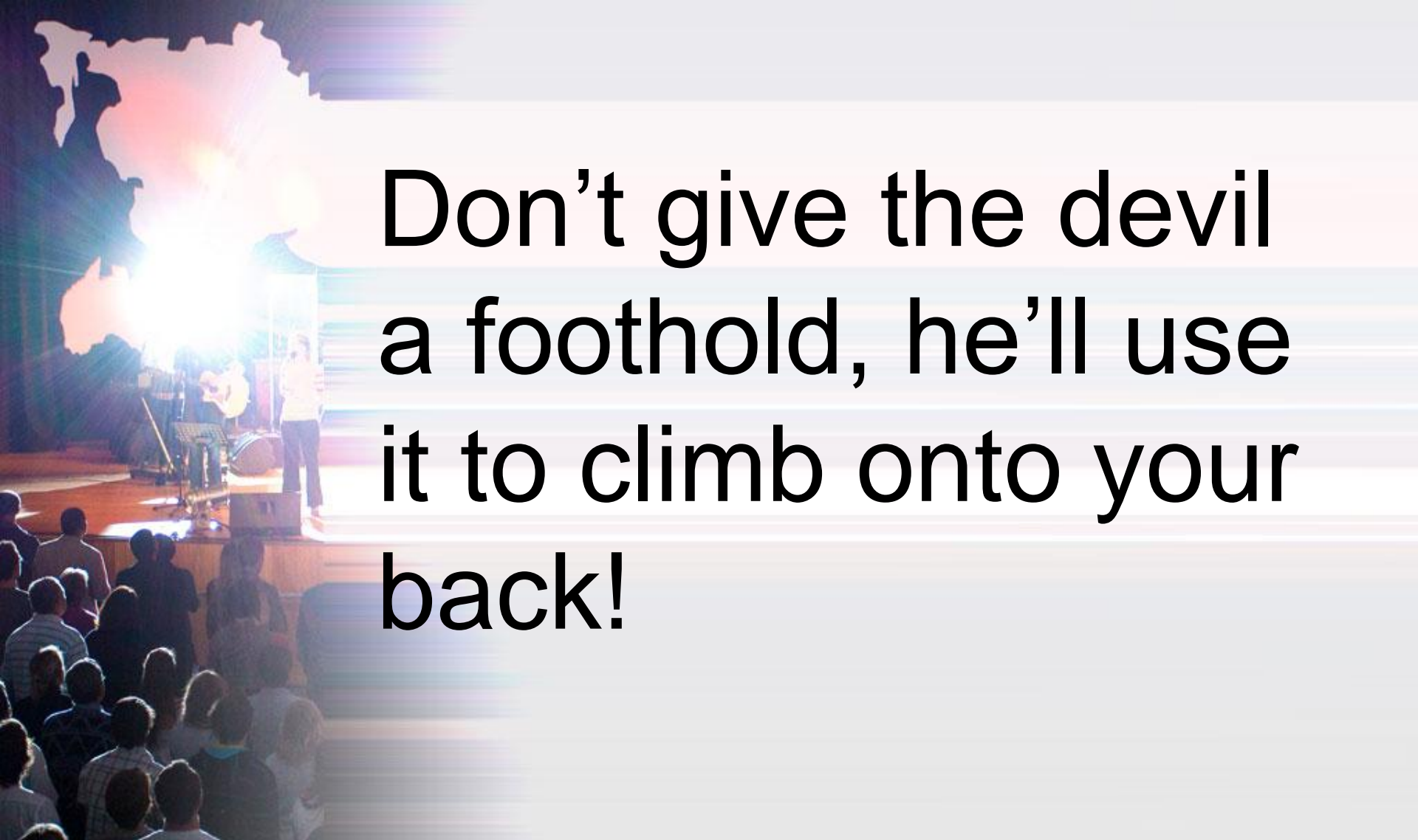
Let's focus!

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Colossians 2:8 (NLT):

⁸ Don't let anyone capture you with empty philosophies and high-sounding nonsense that come from human thinking and from the spiritual powers of this world, rather than from Christ.

Blah blah blah...

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Don't give the devil
a foothold, he'll use
it to climb onto your
back!

A simple tactic for victory

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1 Cor 11:29-30 (NLT):

²⁹ For if you eat the bread or drink the cup without honoring the body of Christ, you are eating and drinking God's judgment upon yourself. ³⁰ That is why many of you are weak and sick and some have even died.

Communion