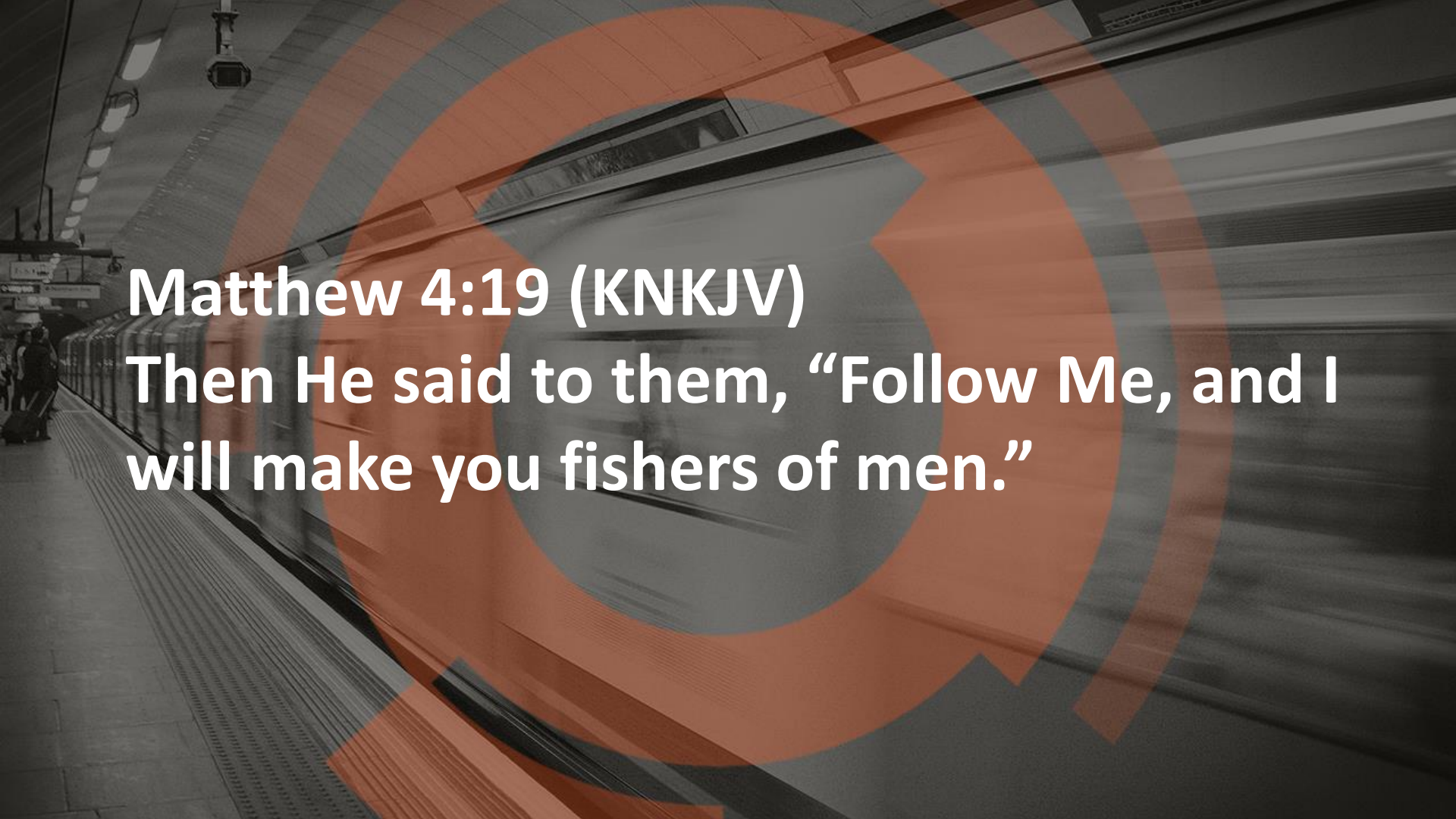




Follow Me

Derk Jan van der Veen

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Matthew 4:19 (KNKJV)

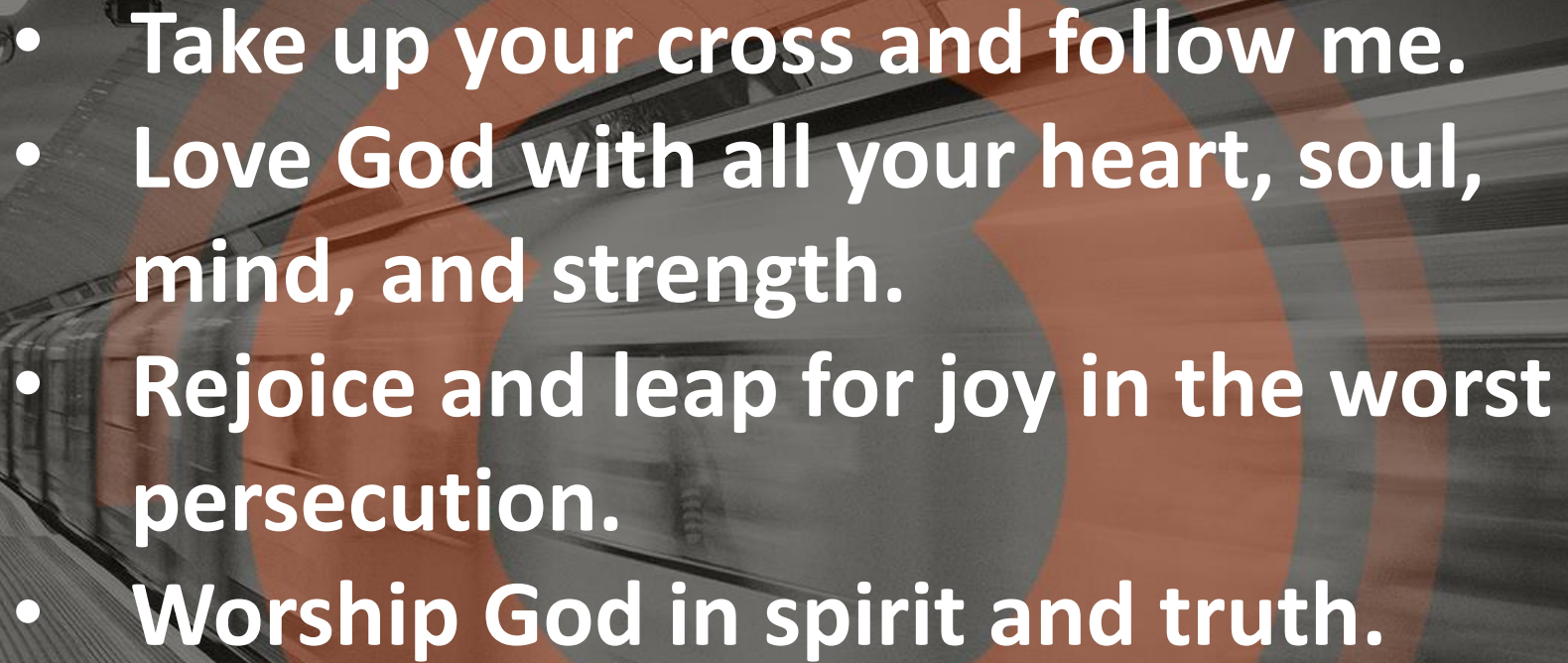
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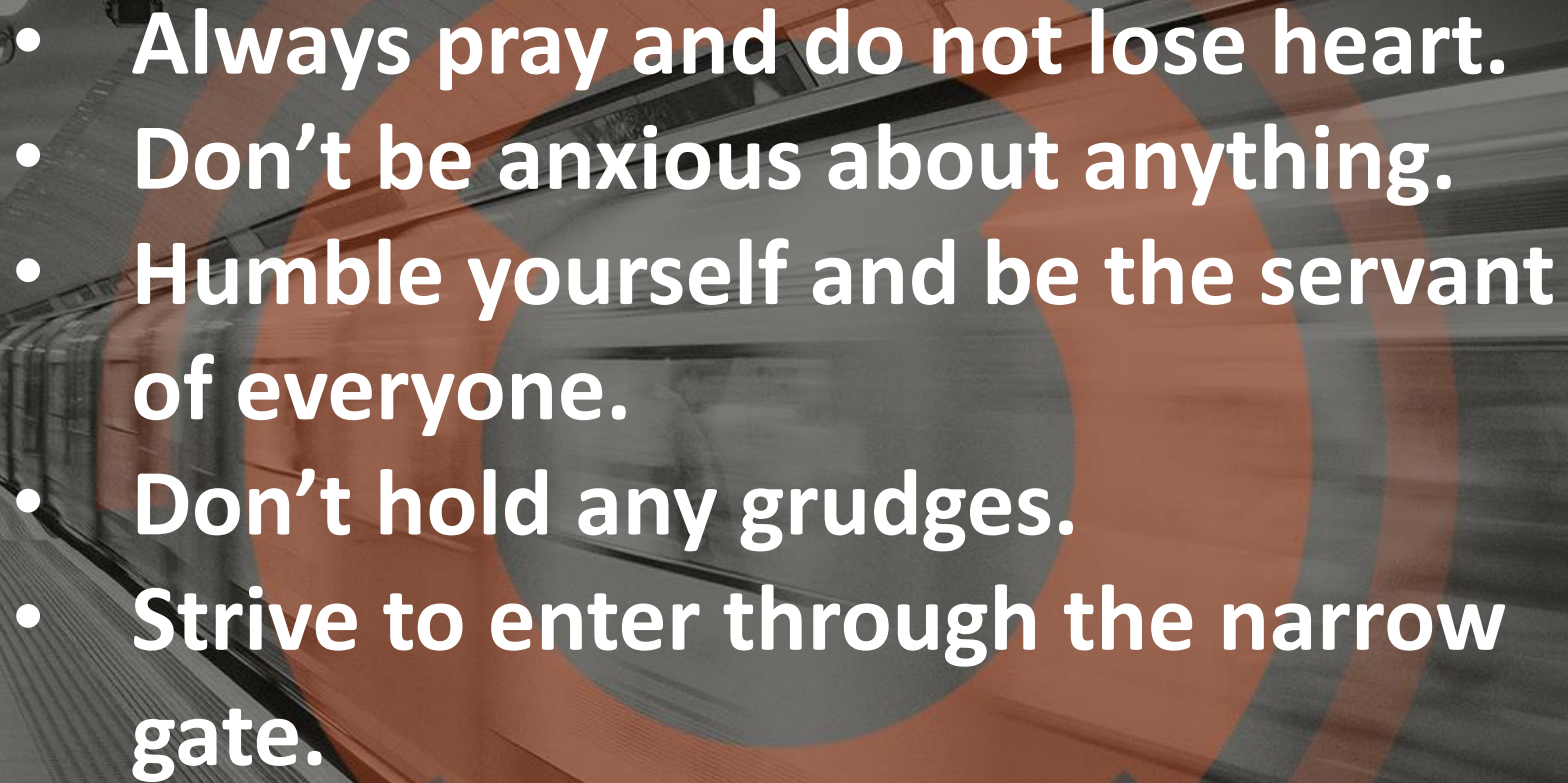
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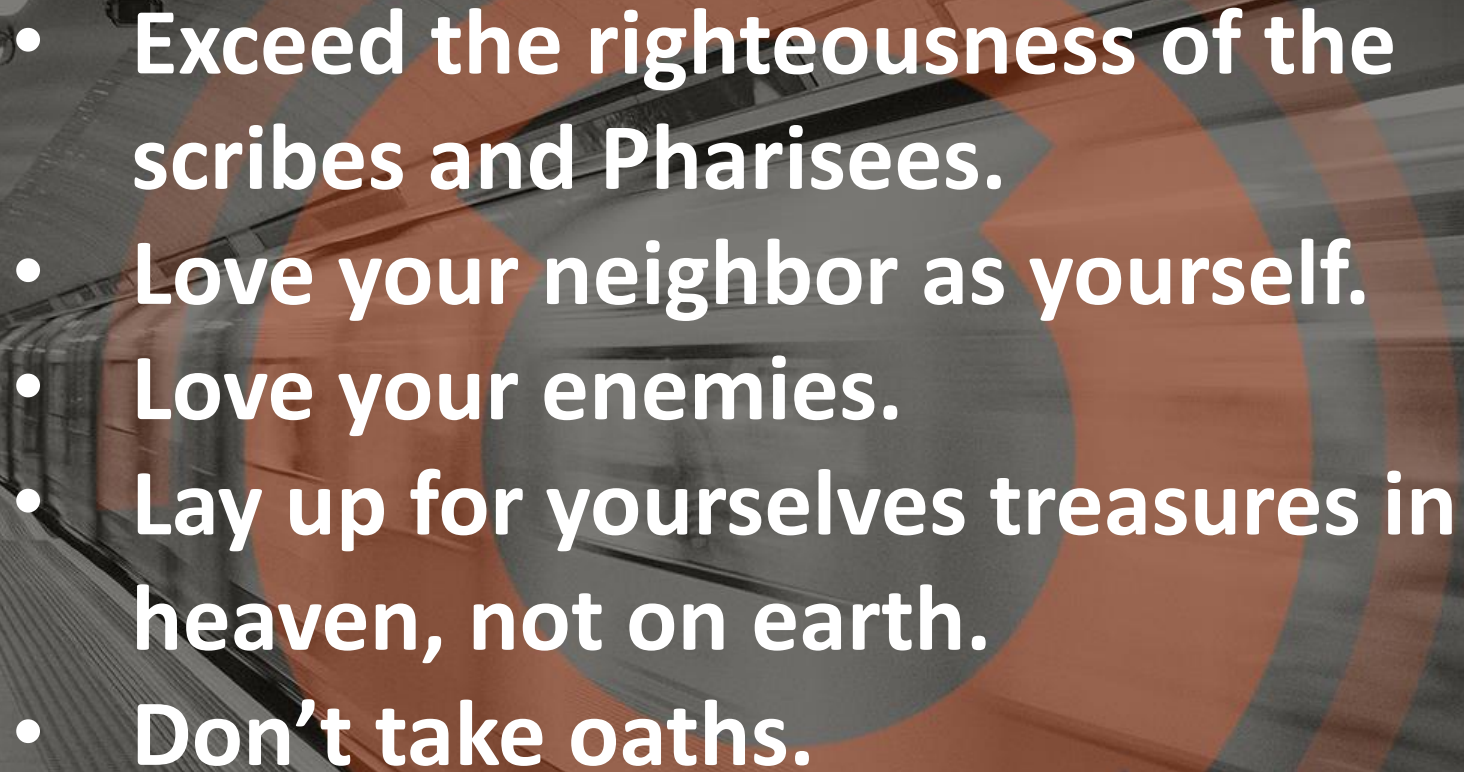
**Do we differ from the disciples
who were called to follow Jesus?**

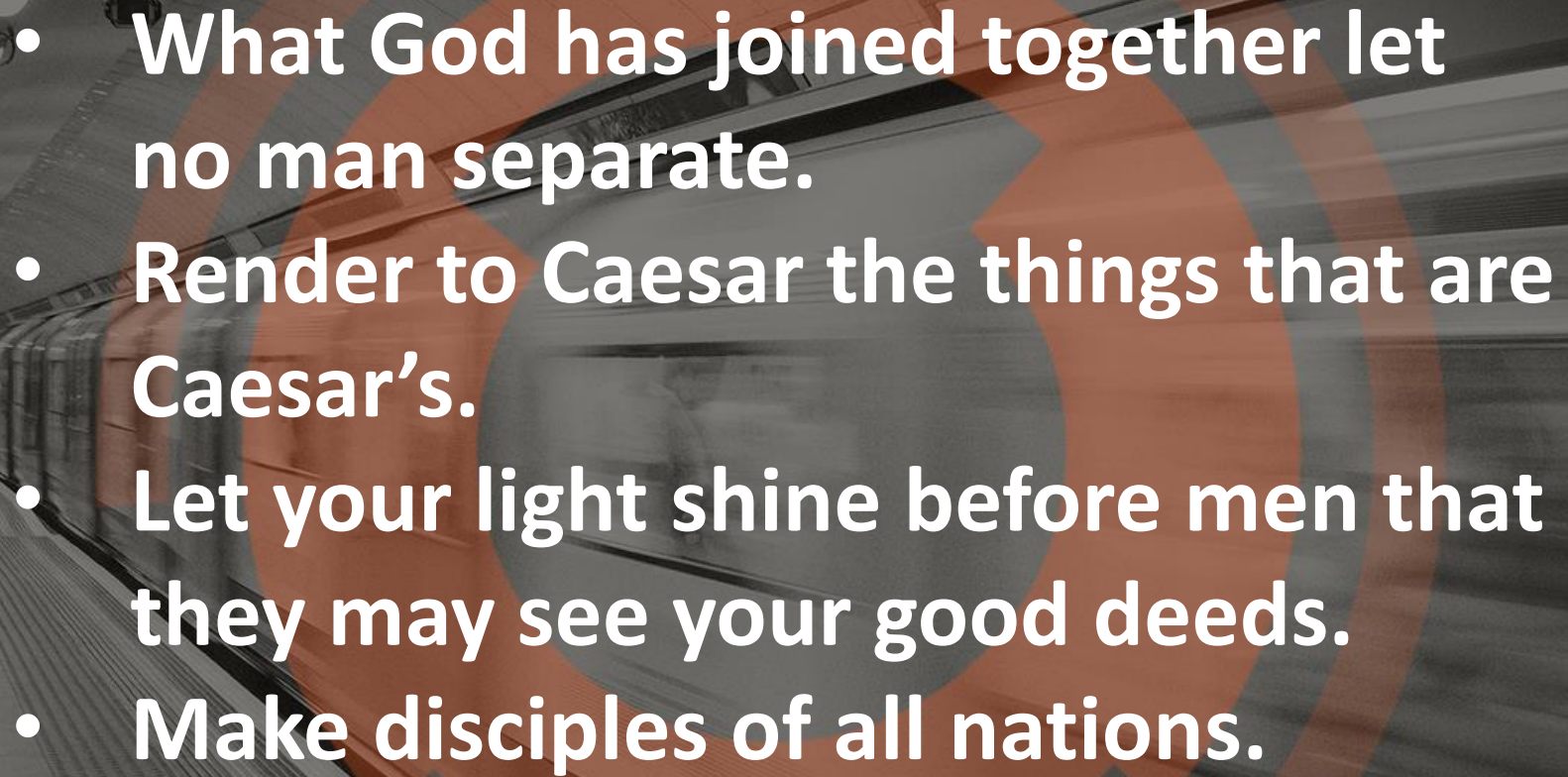
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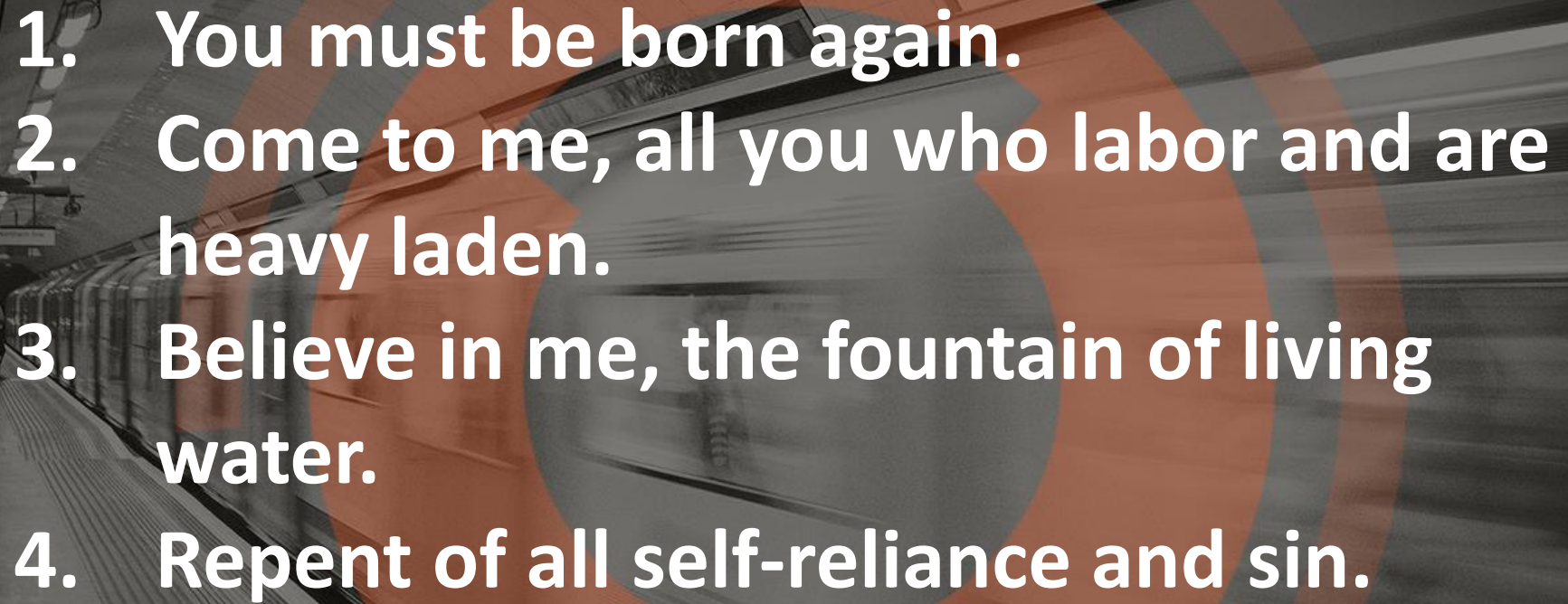
And He said to them, “Follow Me [as My disciples, accepting Me as your Master and Teacher and walking the same path of life that I walk], and I will make you fishers of men.”

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- **Take up your cross and follow me.**
 - **Love God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength.**
 - **Rejoice and leap for joy in the worst persecution.**
 - **Worship God in spirit and truth.**

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- Always pray and do not lose heart.
 - Don't be anxious about anything.
 - Humble yourself and be the servant of everyone.
 - Don't hold any grudges.
 - Strive to enter through the narrow gate.

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- Exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees.
 - Love your neighbor as yourself.
 - Love your enemies.
 - Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, not on earth.
 - Don't take oaths.

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- **What God has joined together let no man separate.**
 - **Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's.**
 - **Let your light shine before men that they may see your good deeds.**
 - **Make disciples of all nations.**

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1. You must be born again.
2. Come to me, all you who labor and are heavy laden.
3. Believe in me, the fountain of living water.
4. Repent of all self-reliance and sin.



5. Love me, above all others, as supremely satisfying.

6. Listen to me; my words are life.

7. Abide in me like a branch in a life-giving Vine.

John 6:60 -69 (NKJV)

⁶⁰ Therefore many of His disciples, when they heard *this*, said, “This is a hard saying; who can understand it?” ⁶¹ When Jesus knew in Himself that His disciples complained about this, He said to them, “Does this offend you?”

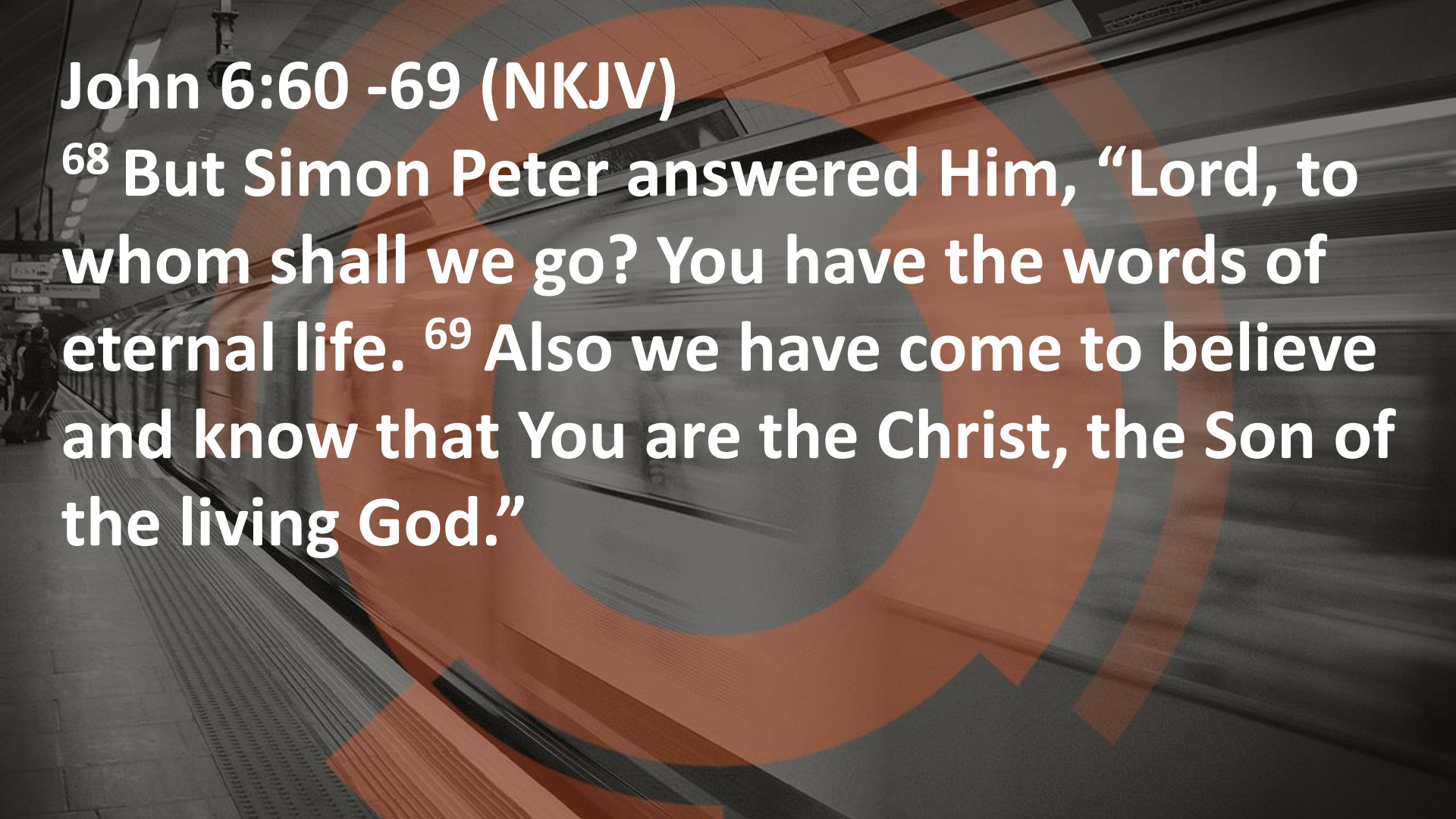
John 6:60 -69 (NKJV)

⁶² *What* then if you should see the Son of Man ascend where He was before? ⁶³ It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life. ⁶⁴ But there are some of you who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were who did not believe, and who would betray Him.

John 6:60 -69 (NKJV)

⁶⁵ And He said, “Therefore I have said to you that no one can come to Me unless it has been granted to him by My Father.”

⁶⁶ From that *time* many of His disciples went back and walked with Him no more. ⁶⁷ Then Jesus said to the twelve, “Do you also want to go away?”

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John 6:60 -69 (NKJV)

68 But Simon Peter answered Him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. 69 Also we have come to believe and know that You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”

John 21: 15 – 19 (NKJV)

¹⁵ So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon, *son of Jonah*, do you love Me more than these?” He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love You.” He said to him, “Feed My lambs.”

John 21: 15 - 19 (NKJV)

¹⁶ He said to him again a second time, “Simon, *son* of Jonah, do you love Me?” He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love You.” He said to him, “Tend My sheep.”

John 21: 15 - 19 (NKJV)

¹⁷ He said to him the third time, “Simon, *son* of Jonah, do you love Me?” Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, “Do you love Me?” And he said to Him, “Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You.” Jesus said to him, “Feed My sheep.

John 21: 15 - 19 (NKJV)

¹⁸ Most assuredly, I say to you, when you were younger, you girded yourself and walked where you wished; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry *you* where you do not wish.”

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John 21: 15 - 19 (NKJV)

¹⁹ This He spoke, signifying by what death he would glorify God. And when He had spoken this, He said to him, “Follow Me.”

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John 21: 20 - 22 (NKJV)

²⁰ Then Peter, turning around, saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following, who also had leaned on His breast at the supper, and said, “Lord, who is the one who betrays You?”

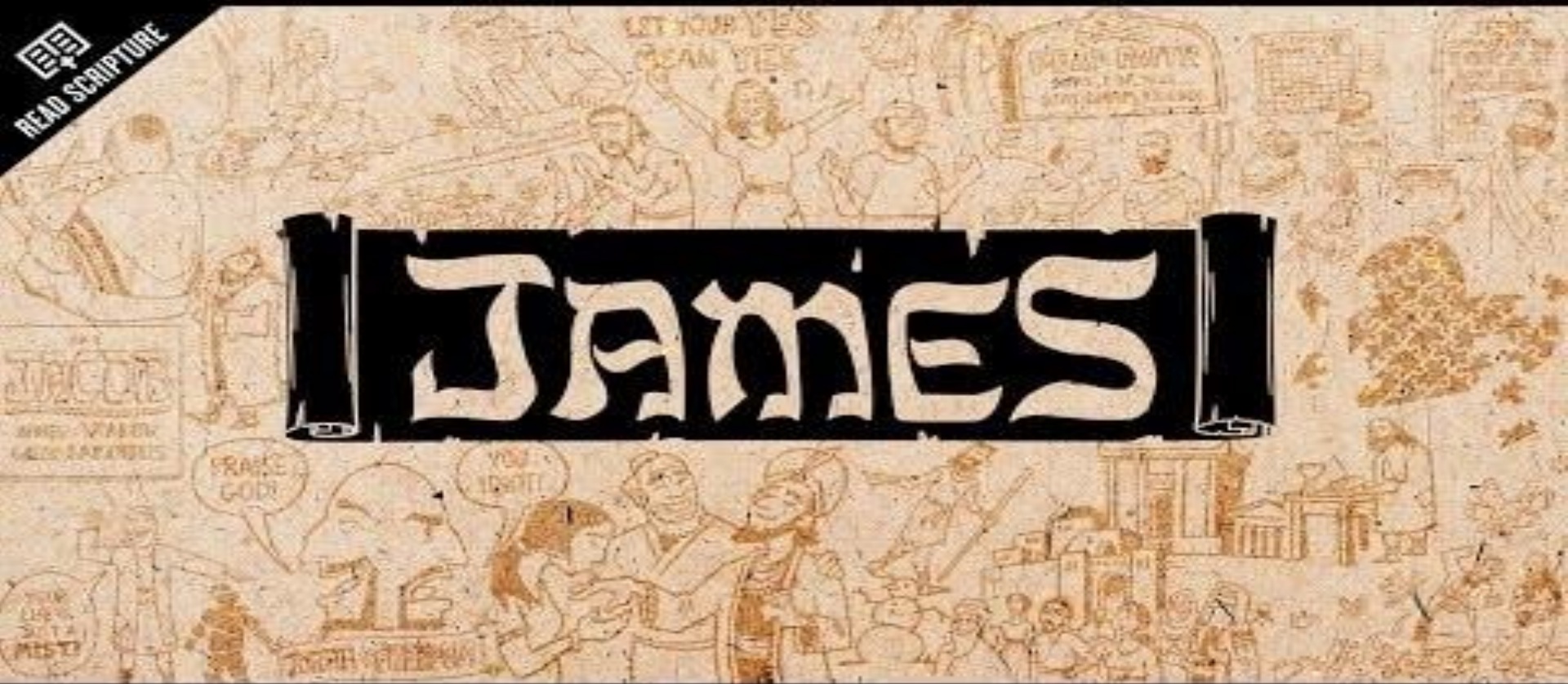


John 21: 20 - 22 (NKJV)

²¹ Peter, seeing him, said to Jesus, “But Lord, what *about* this man?” ²² Jesus said to him, “If I will that he remain till I come, what *is that* to you? You follow Me.

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Ezekiel 47 : 3-6 (NKJV)

³ And when the man went out to the east with the line in his hand, he measured one thousand cubits, and he brought me through the waters; the water *came up to my ankles.*

Ezekiel 47 : 3-6 (NKJV)

⁴ Again he measured one thousand and brought me through the waters; the water *came up to my* knees. Again he measured one thousand and brought me through; the water *came up to my* waist.

Ezekiel 47 : 3-6 (NKJV)

⁵Again he measured one thousand, *and it was* a river that I could not cross; for the water was too deep, water in which one must swim, a river that could not be crossed. ⁶ He said to me, “Son of man, have you seen *this?*” Then he brought me and returned me to the bank of the river.