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# Humility

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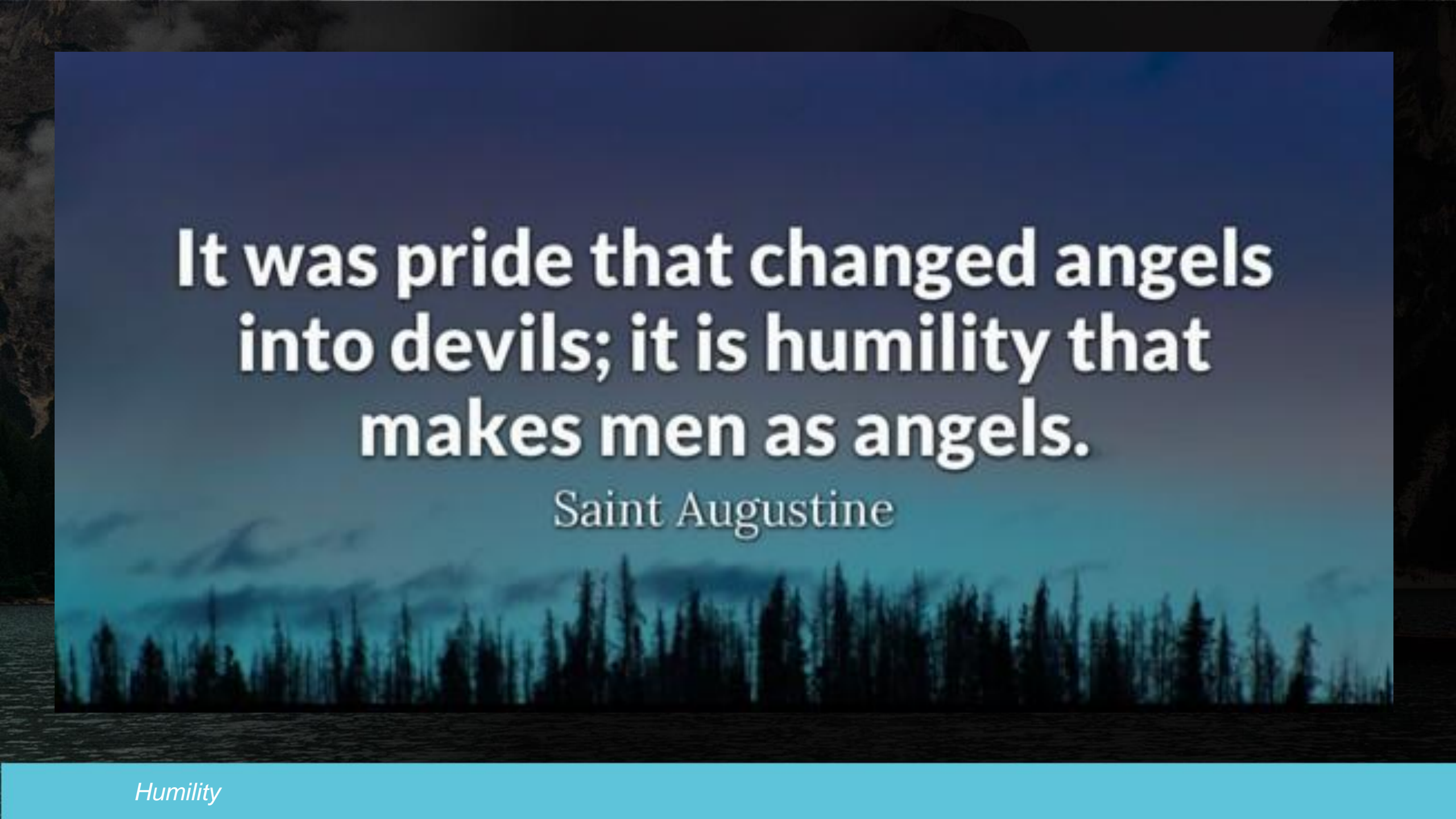
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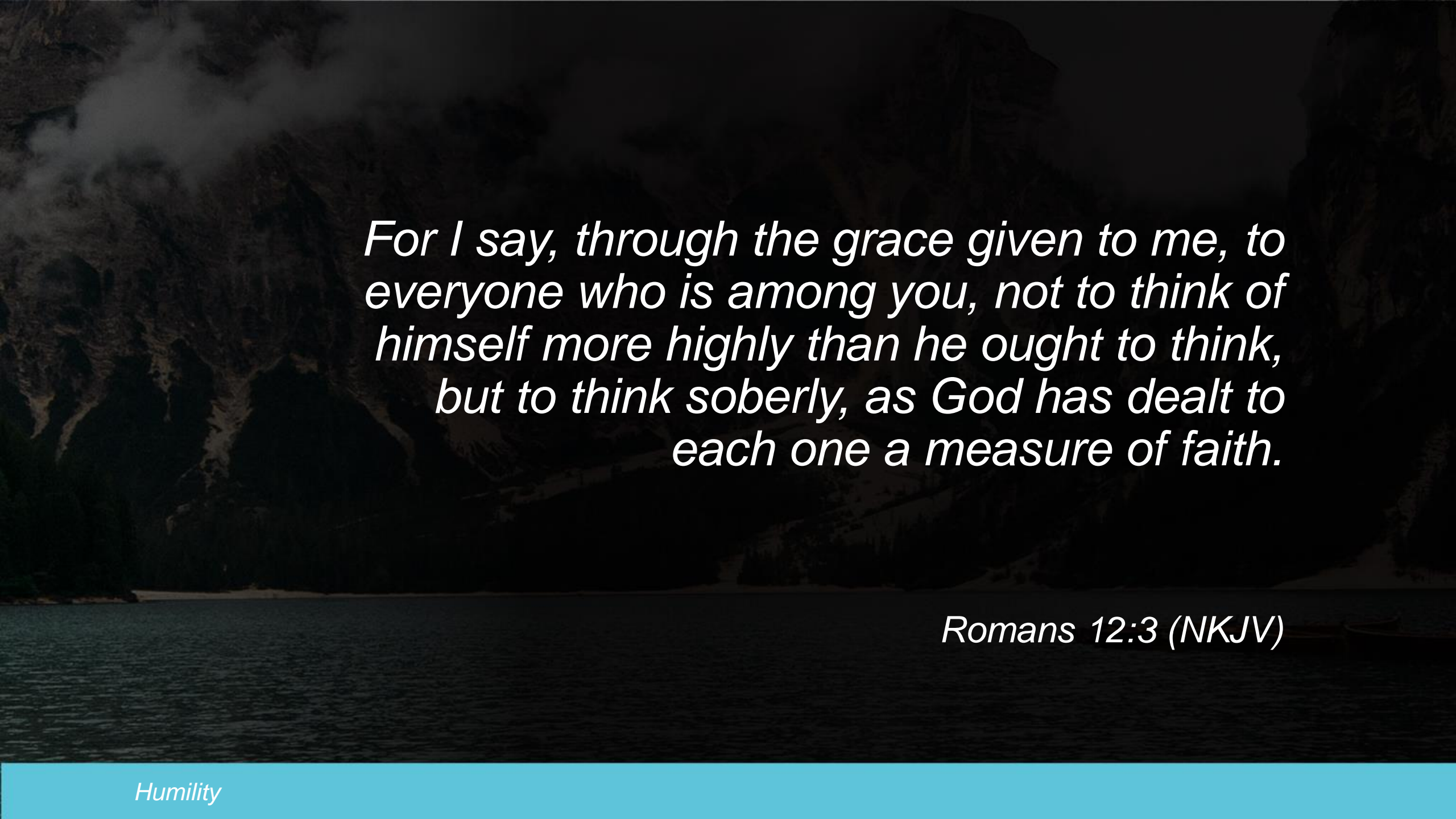
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**It was pride that changed angels  
into devils; it is humility that  
makes men as angels.**

Saint Augustine



*For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith.*

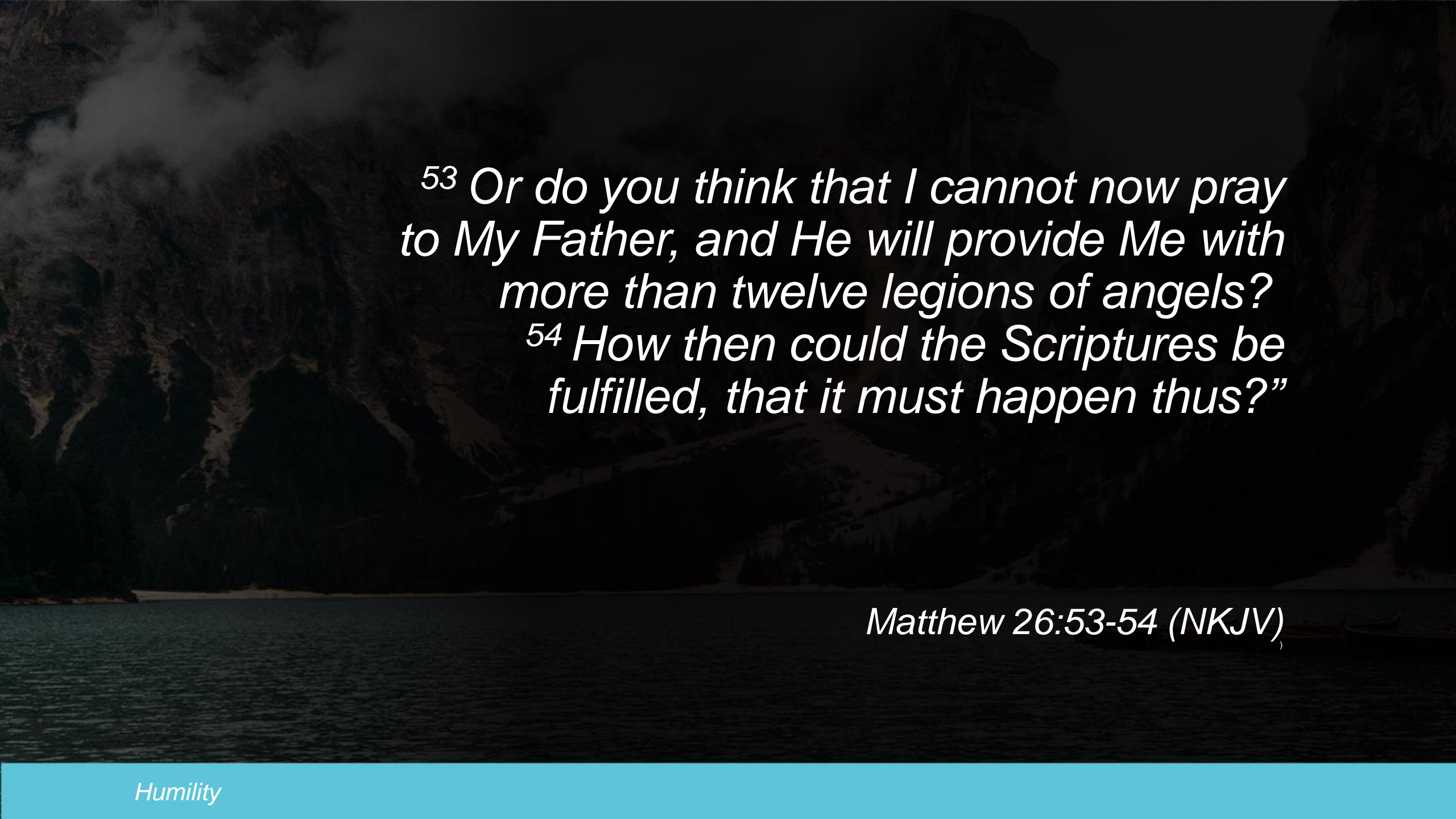
*Romans 12:3 (NKJV)*

*<sup>1</sup> Then Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moses because of the Ethiopian woman whom he had married; for he had married an Ethiopian woman. <sup>2</sup> So they said, “Has the LORD indeed spoken only through Moses? Has He not spoken through us also?” And the LORD heard it. <sup>3</sup> (Now the man Moses was very humble, more than all men who were on the face of the earth.)*

*Numbers 12: 1-3 (NKJV)*

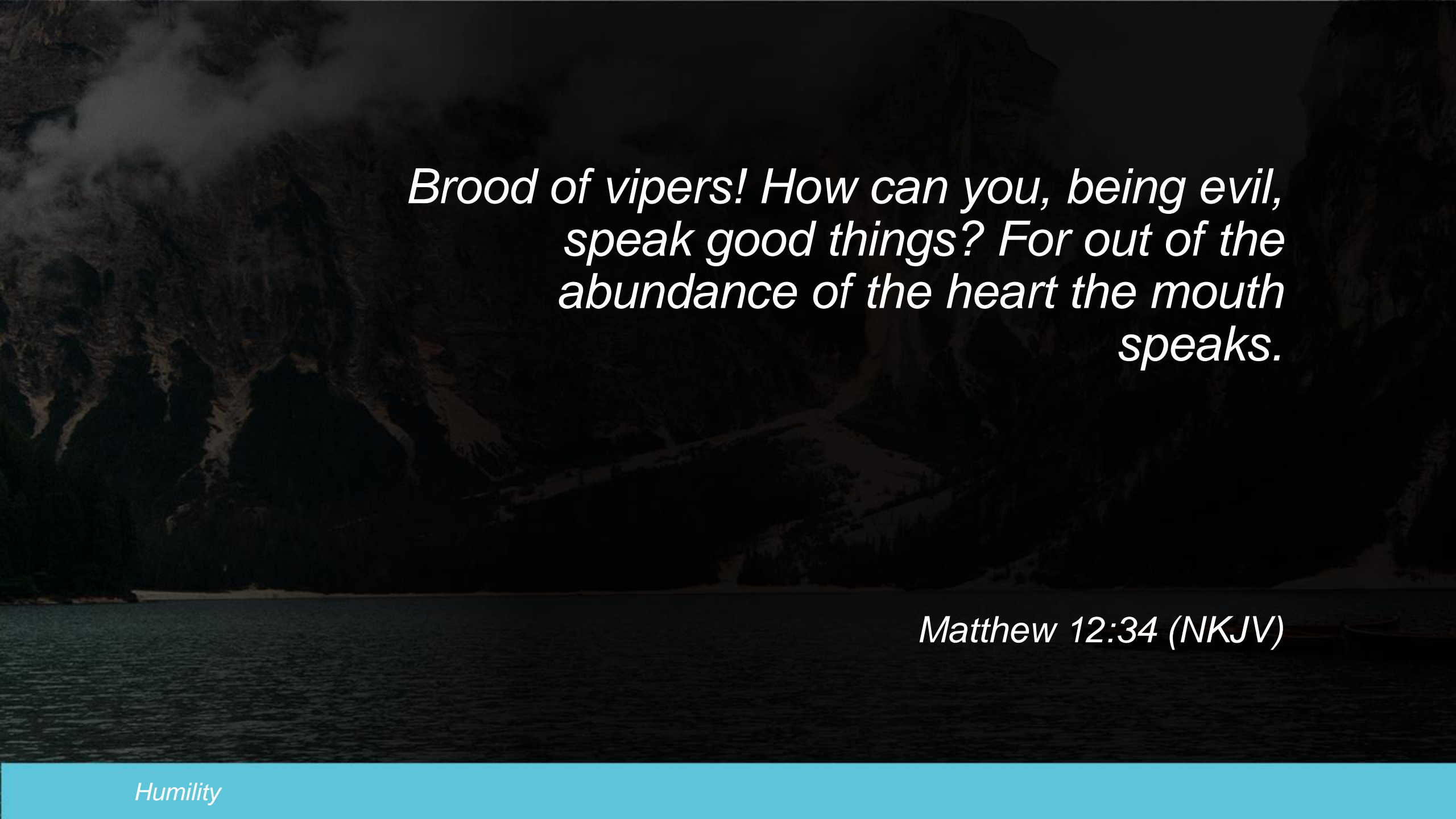
*39 And those who passed by blasphemed Him,  
wagging their heads  
41 Likewise the chief priests also, mocking with  
the scribes and elders, said,  
44 Even the robbers who were crucified with  
Him reviled Him with the same thing.*

*Matthew 27:39, 41 & 44 (NKJV)*



*53 Or do you think that I cannot now pray to My Father, and He will provide Me with more than twelve legions of angels?  
54 How then could the Scriptures be fulfilled, that it must happen thus?"*

*Matthew 26:53-54 (NKJV)*



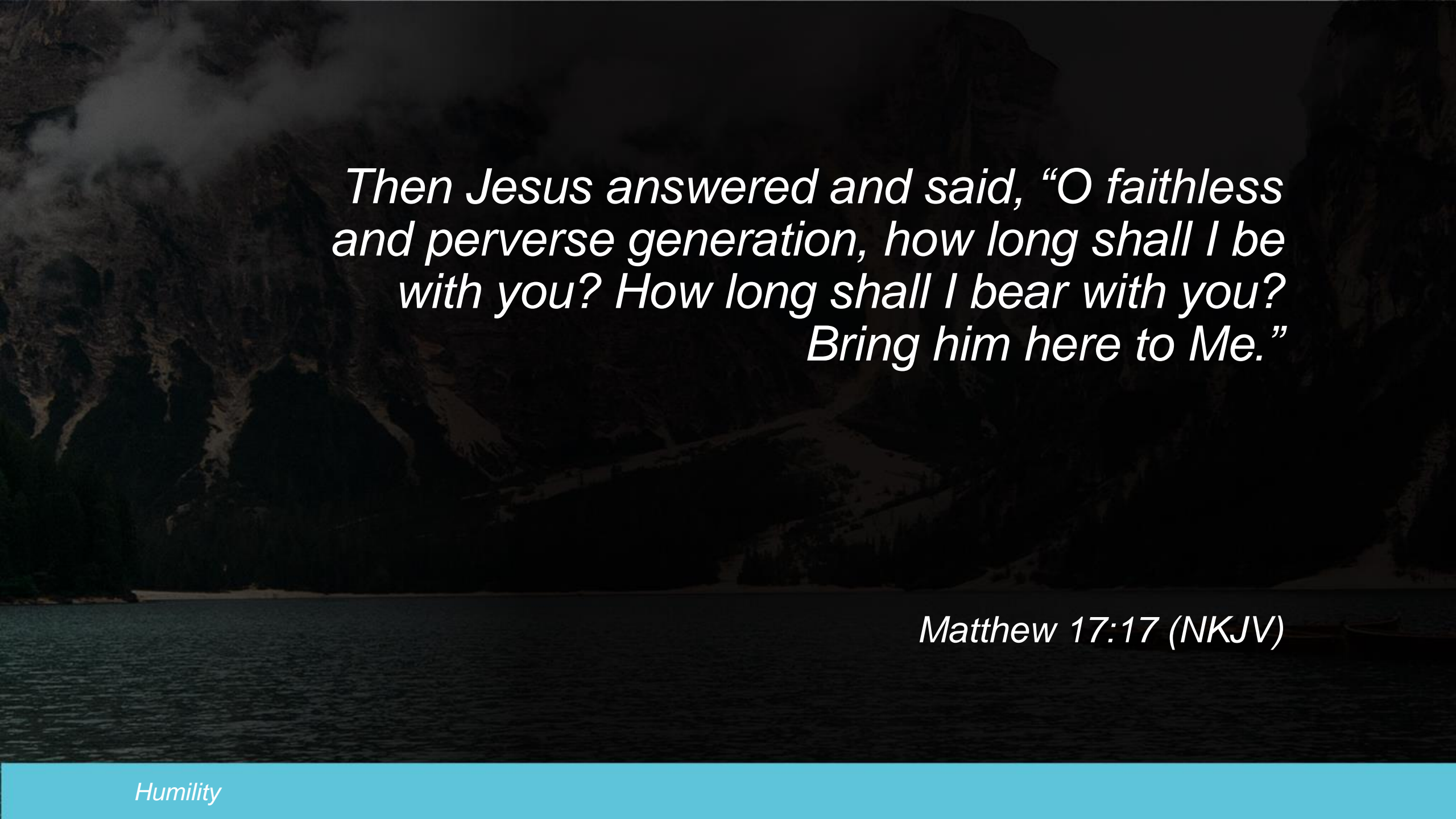
*Brood of vipers! How can you, being evil,  
speak good things? For out of the  
abundance of the heart the mouth  
speaks.*

*Matthew 12:34 (NKJV)*



*You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.*

*John 8:44 (NKJV)*



*Then Jesus answered and said, “O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him here to Me.”*

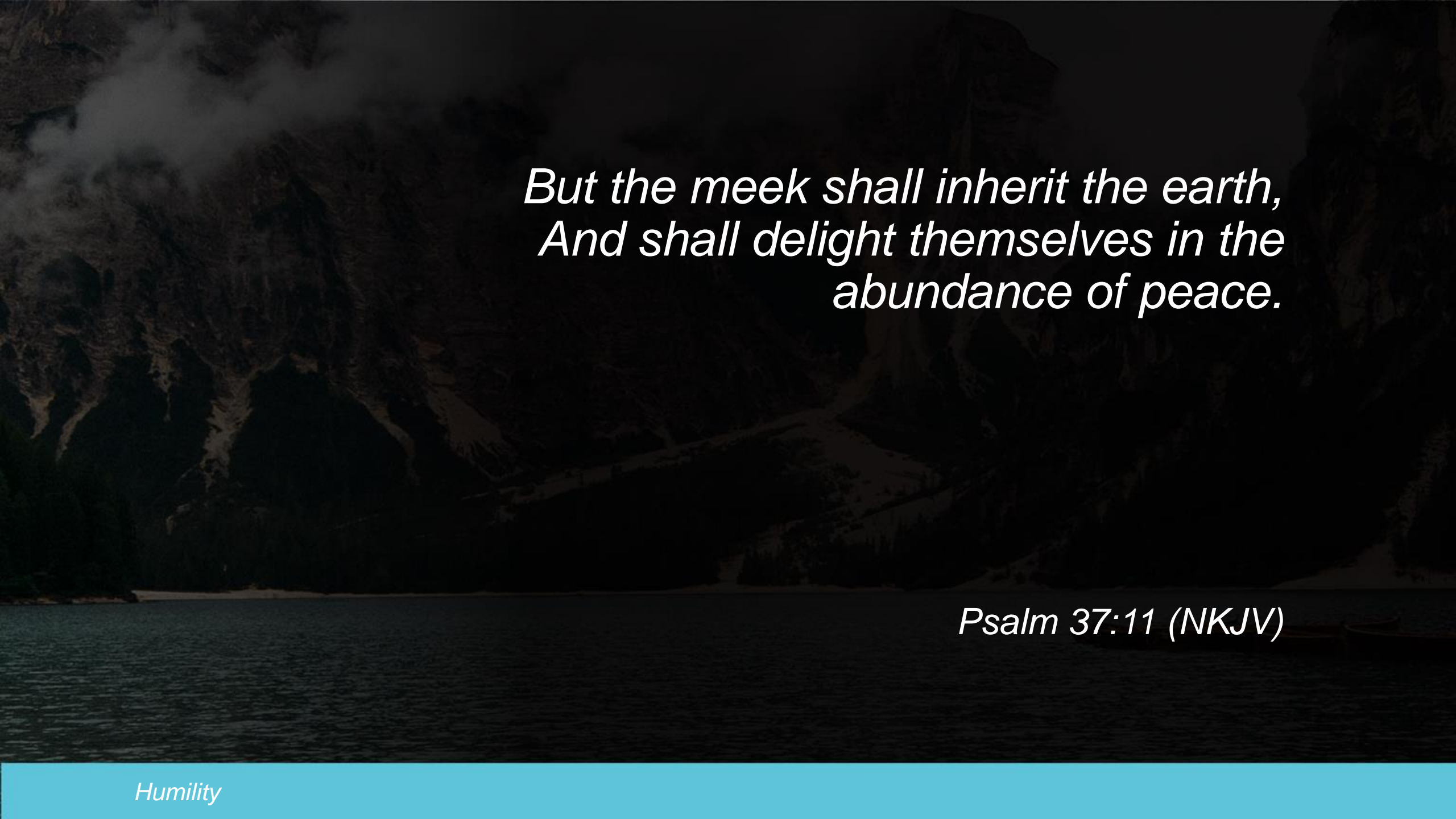
*Matthew 17:17 (NKJV)*

*<sup>5</sup> Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for “God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble.”<sup>6</sup> Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time,<sup>7</sup> casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.*

*1 Peter 5: 5-11 (NKJV)*

*<sup>8</sup> Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. <sup>9</sup> Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world. <sup>10</sup> But may the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you. <sup>11</sup> To Him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen*

*1 Peter 5: 5-11 (NKJV)*



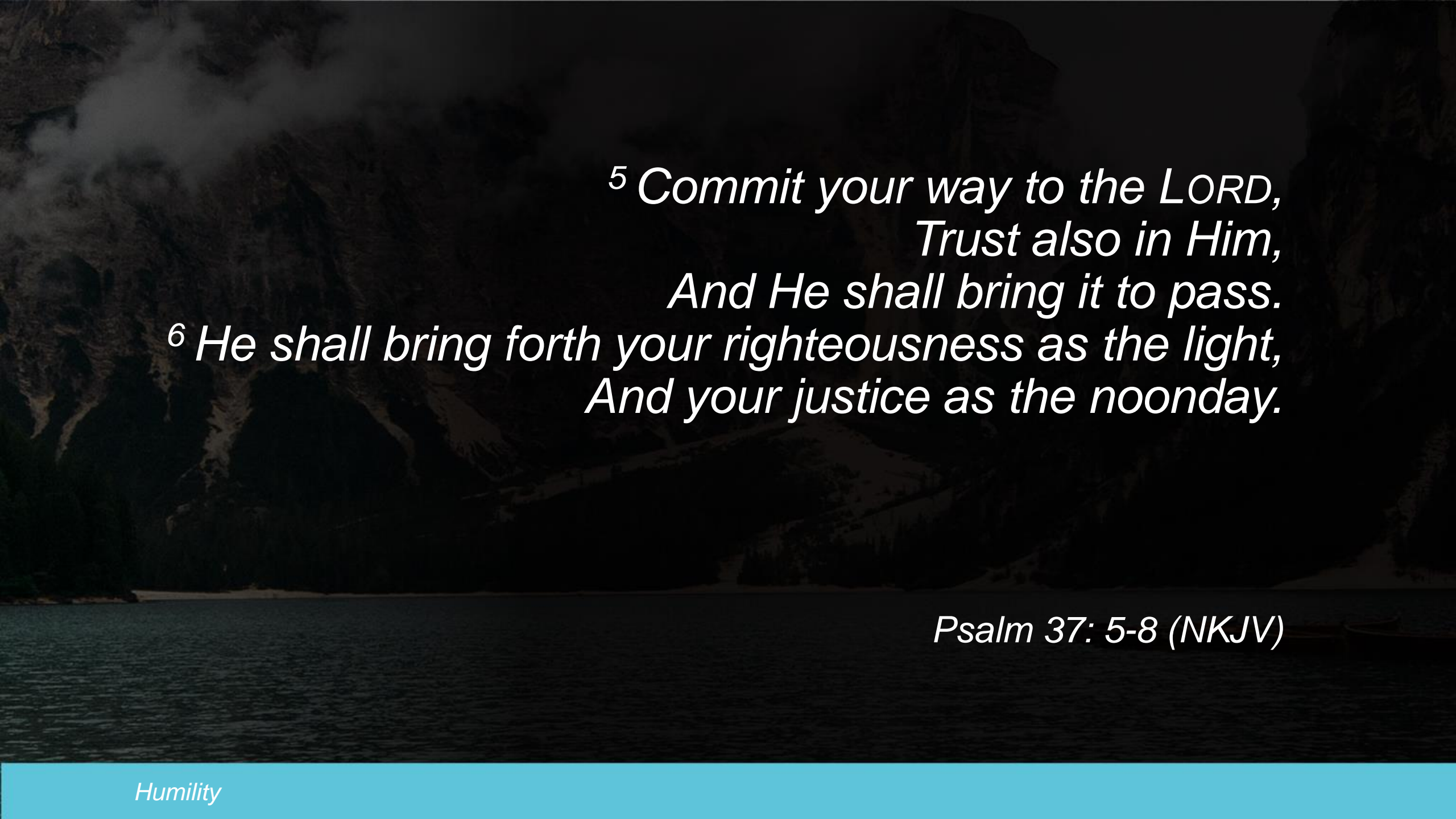
*But the meek shall inherit the earth,  
And shall delight themselves in the  
abundance of peace.*

*Psalm 37:11 (NKJV)*



*Blessed are the meek,  
For they shall inherit the earth.*

Matthew 5:5 (NKJV)



*<sup>5</sup> Commit your way to the LORD,  
Trust also in Him,  
And He shall bring it to pass.  
<sup>6</sup> He shall bring forth your righteousness as the light,  
And your justice as the noonday.*

*Psalm 37: 5-8 (NKJV)*

*<sup>7</sup> Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for Him;  
Do not fret because of him who prospers in his way,  
Because of the man who brings wicked schemes to  
pass.*

*<sup>8</sup> Cease from anger, and forsake wrath;  
Do not fret—it only causes harm.*

*Psalm 37: 5-8 (NKJV)*



*19 So then, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; 20 for the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God. 21 Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.*

James 1:19-21 (NKJV)

1. Be clothed with humility (Psalm 37):

- Commit your way to God.
- Trust in God.
- Rest in the Lord and wait for Him.
- Do not fret (irritated, absorbed) over the wicked.
- Cease from anger.
- Forsake wrath.

2. Stand up for God's Kingdom.

*Speak the truth even when other people are offended.*

*<sup>5</sup> Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, <sup>7</sup> but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.*

*Philippians 2:5-8 (NKJV)*

"Humility is not thinking less of yourself,  
but thinking of yourself less."

-C.S. Lewis

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