



Shofar Christian Church

Forgiveness

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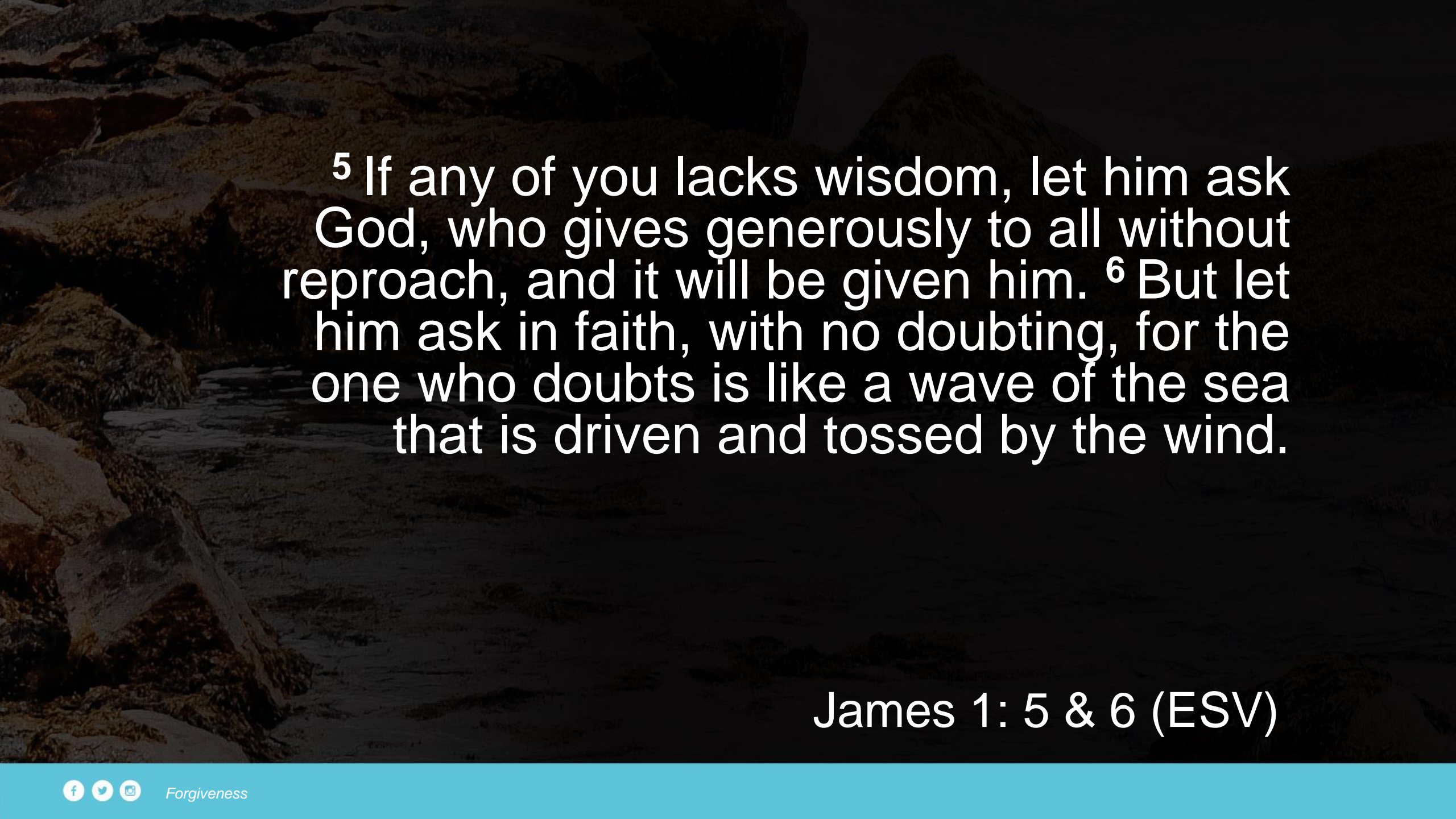
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It's real!





⁵ If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him. ⁶ But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind.

James 1: 5 & 6 (ESV)

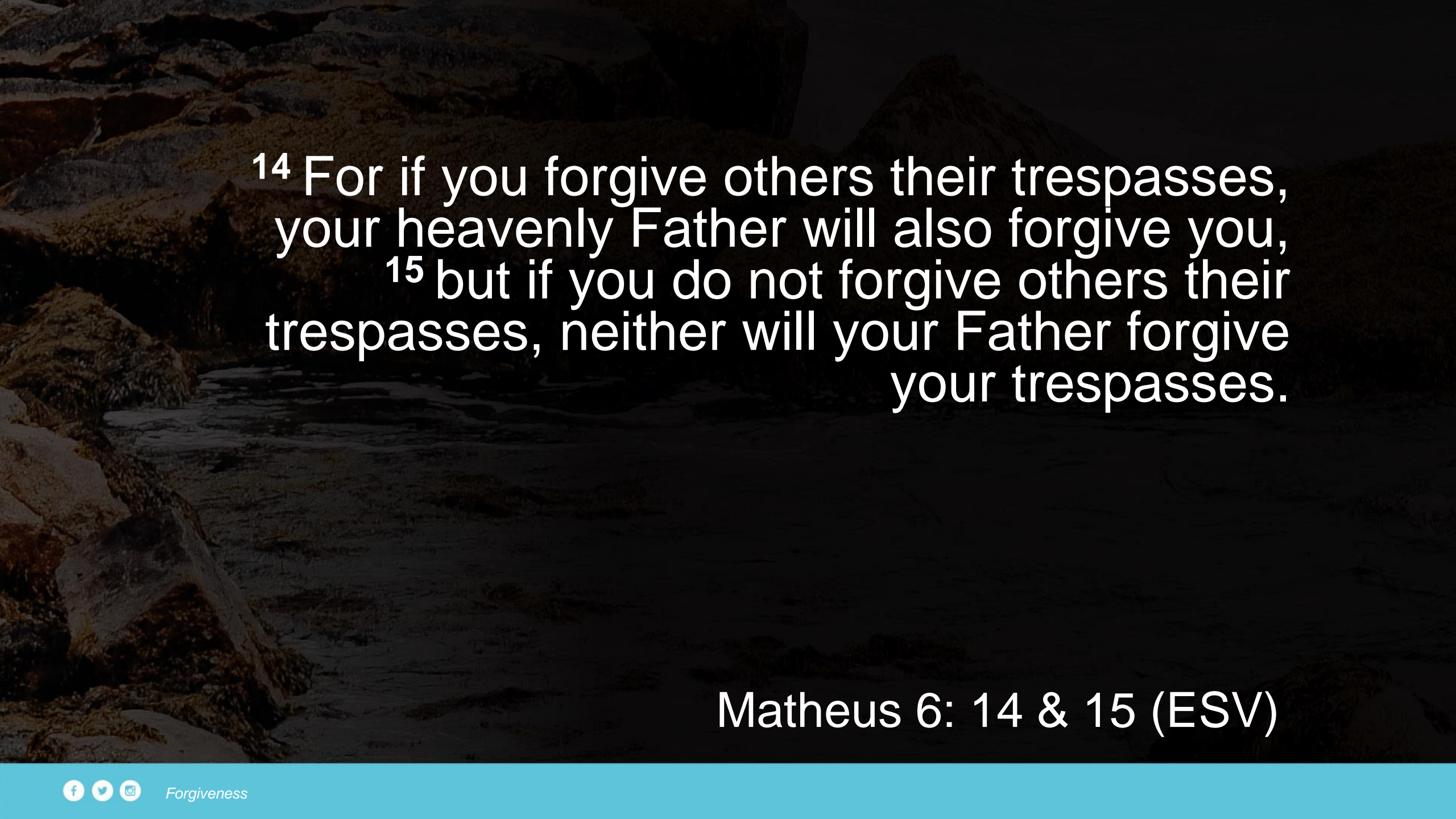




¹² and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

Matheus 6: 12 (ESV)





¹⁴ For if you forgive others their trespasses,
your heavenly Father will also forgive you,
¹⁵ but if you do not forgive others their
trespasses, neither will your Father forgive
your trespasses.

Matheus 6: 14 & 15 (ESV)



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 - You may protect yourself.



What is it then:

- It is to say: I stop with this now/ I let it go.

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to take away, to carry off, to send forth, to lift



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Sin:

1. All sin is a deviation from a standard to which we ought to be conformed.
2. Every sin is apostasy or rebellion against God.
Living to self, shaking of obedience to God.
3. Missing the aim.



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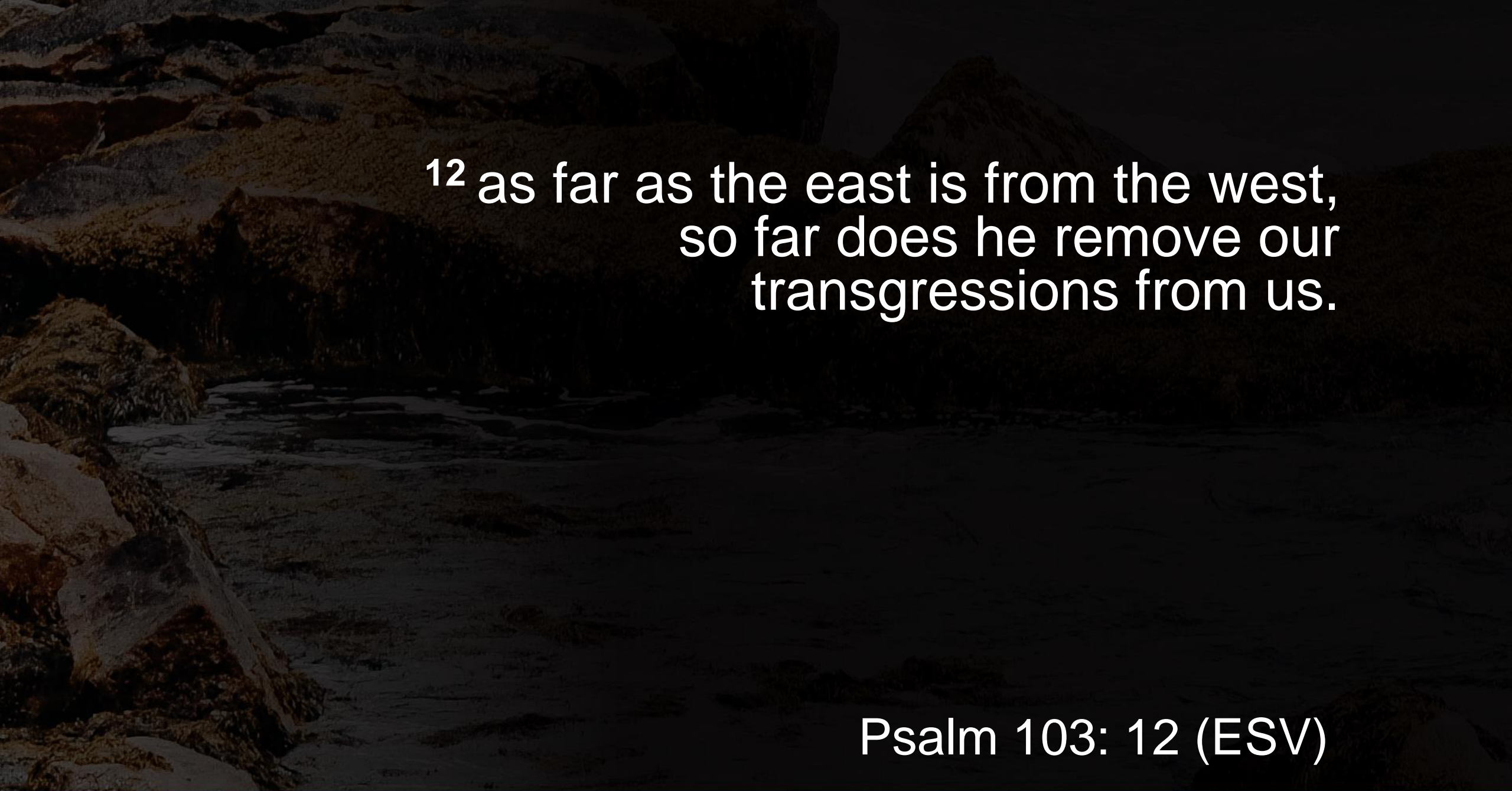
Trespass:
Enter someone's land or property
without permission.
Take advantage of her hospitality.

Transgression:
An act that goes against law or rule or
code of conduct, an offence.
Opposite is obedience/law obeying.



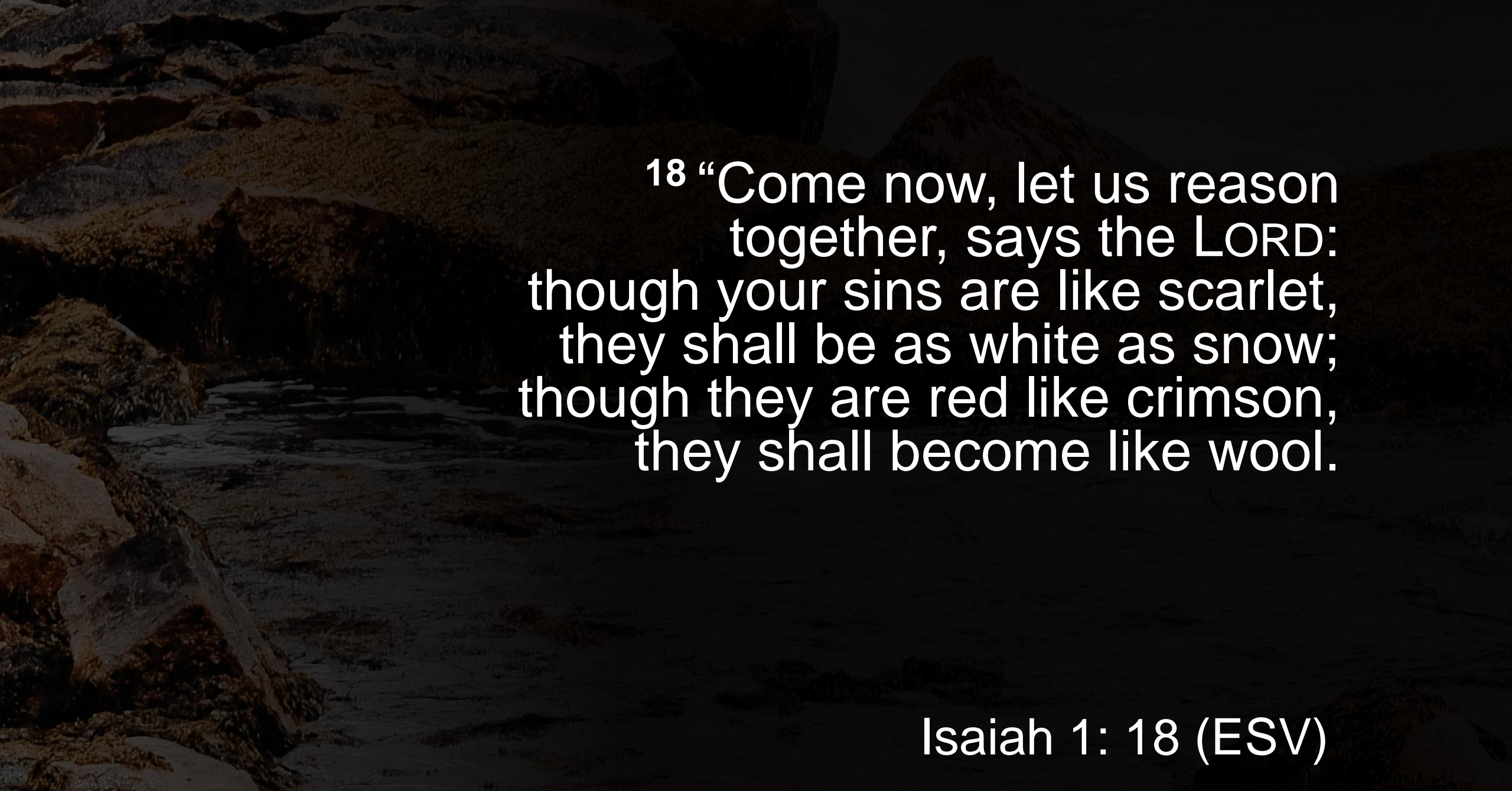
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Iniquities:
Perversity, that is moral evil.
Twisting of something twisted.
Opposite of righteousness.



¹² as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our
transgressions from us.

Psalm 103: 12 (ESV)

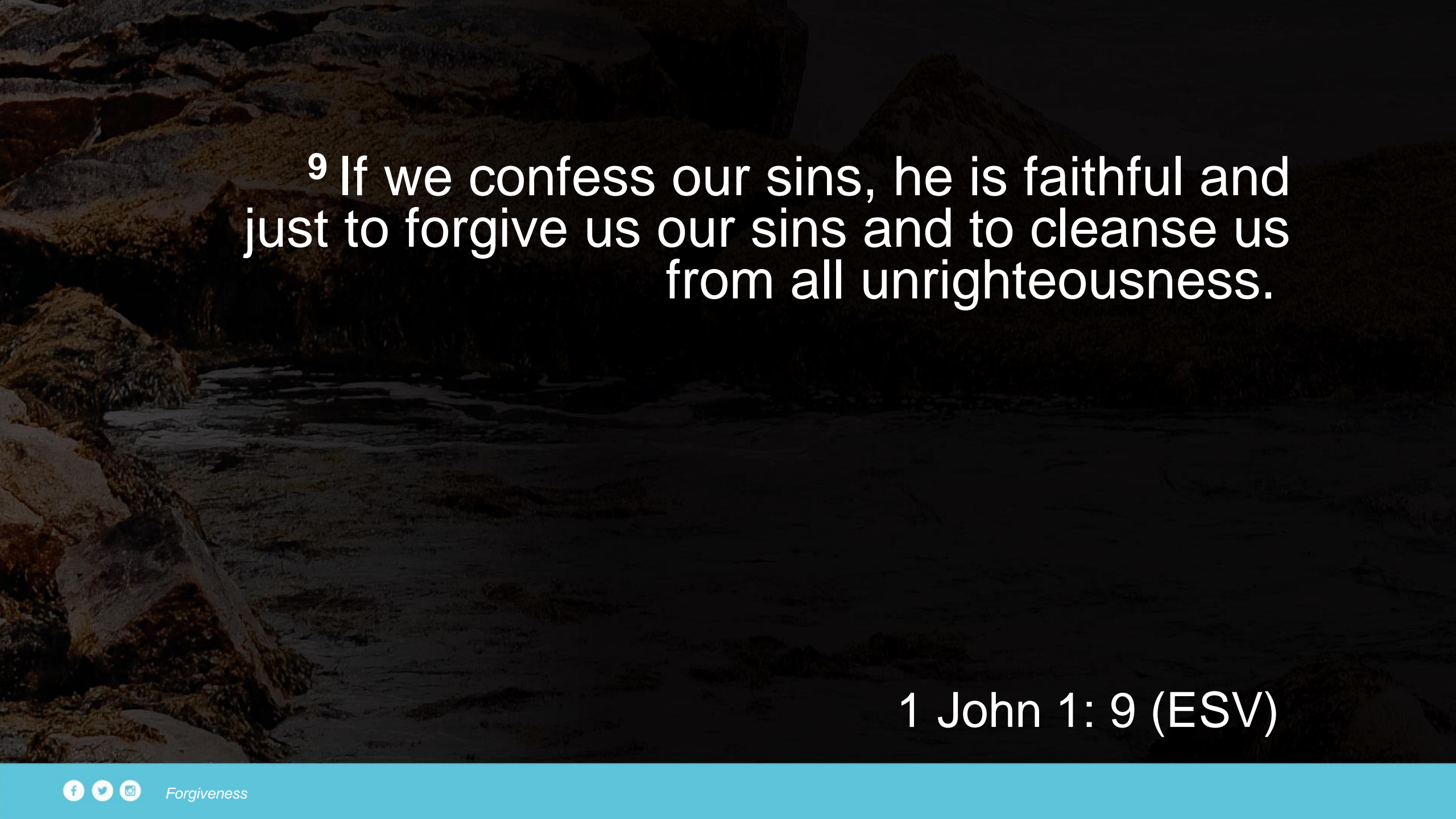


¹⁸ “Come now, let us reason
together, says the LORD:
though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be as white as snow;
though they are red like crimson,
they shall become like wool.

Isaiah 1: 18 (ESV)

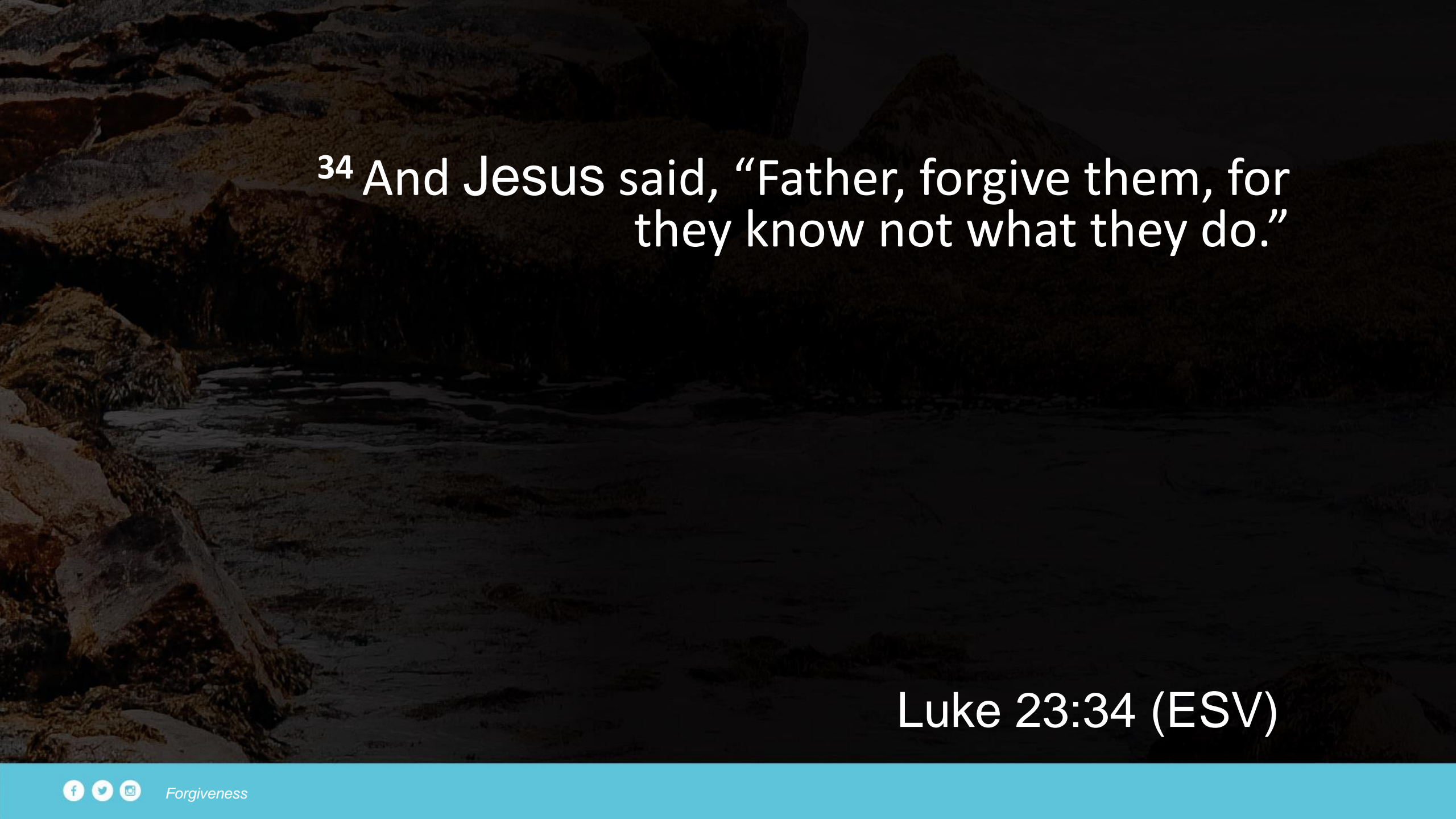
⁷ keeping steadfast love for thousands,
forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin,
but who will by no means clear the
guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on
the children and the children's children, to
the third and the fourth generation.”

Exodus 34: 7 (ESV)



⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and
just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us
from all unrighteousness.

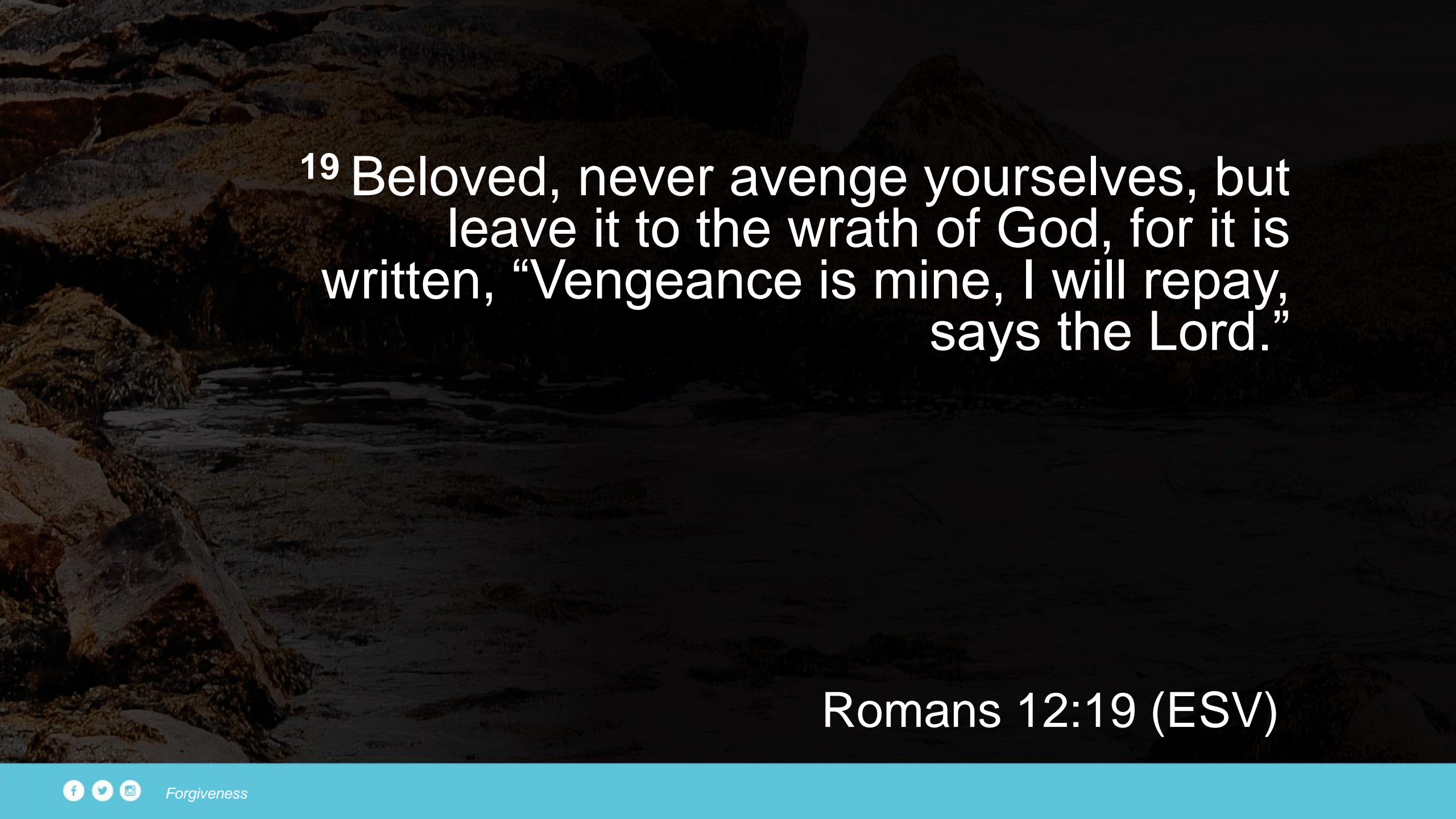
1 John 1: 9 (ESV)



³⁴ And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.”

Luke 23:34 (ESV)





¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.”

Romans 12:19 (ESV)



Consequences of unforgiveness:

- Bitterness.
- The enemy gets you twice.
 - Not living in God's will.
 - It steals your joy.
 - It steals your peace.
 - Can get depressed.
 - Stay angry.
- Jesus came to set us free.

Let go of it!

- Repent
- Forgive
- Set them free
- Bless them