

Hope

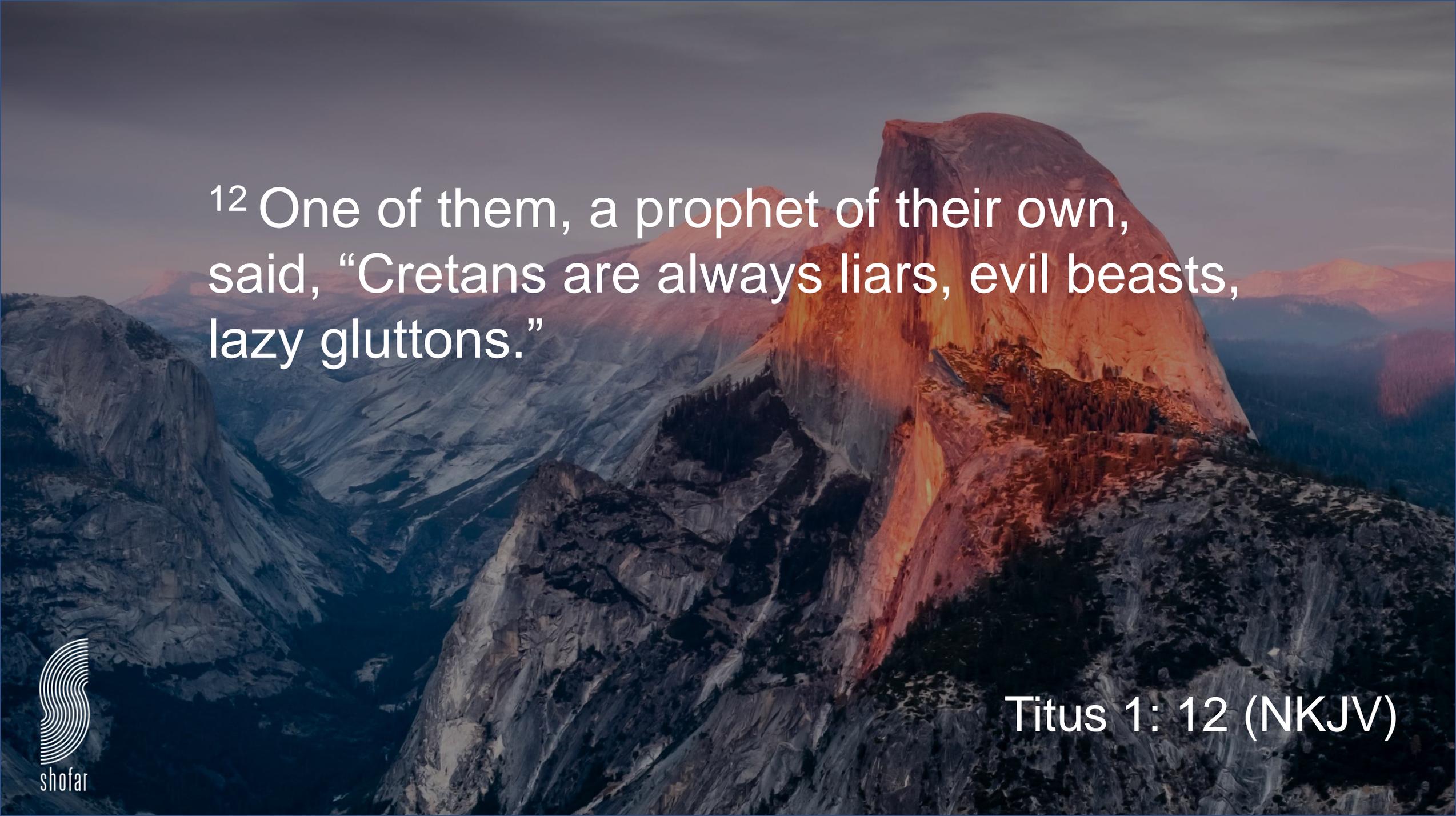
Derk Jan van der Veen

<sup>1</sup> Paul, a bondservant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect and the acknowledgment of the truth which accords with godliness, <sup>2</sup> in hope of eternal life which God, who cannot lie, promised before time began, <sup>3</sup> but has in due time manifested His word through preaching, which was committed to me according to the commandment of God our Savior;

Titus 1: 1 - 5 (NKJV)

<sup>4</sup> To Titus, a true son in our common faith:  
Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ our Savior. <sup>5</sup> For this  
reason I left you in Crete, that you should set  
in order the things that are lacking, and appoint  
elders in every city as I commanded you—

Titus 1: 1 – 5 (NKJV)



<sup>12</sup> One of them, a prophet of their own,  
said, “Cretans are always liars, evil beasts,  
lazy gluttons.”

## Instruction of Paul to Titus:

- Establishing the church, including the appointment of Elders.
- Helping the churches to grow in faith, in knowledge of the truth and in Godly living.
- Silencing false teachers. People who said they believed but fail to live it out.
- Joining the apostle Paul in Nicopolis when replacements had arrived.

<sup>11</sup> For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, <sup>12</sup> teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age,

Titus 2: 11 – 14 (NKJV)

<sup>13</sup> looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, <sup>14</sup> who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.

Titus 2: 11 – 14 (NKJV)

<sup>1</sup> Remind them to be subject to rulers and authorities, to obey, to be ready for every good work, <sup>2</sup> to speak evil of no one, to be peaceable, gentle, showing all humility to all men.

<sup>3</sup> For we ourselves were also once foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving various lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful and hating one another. <sup>4</sup> But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared,

Titus 3: 1 – 7 (NKJV)

<sup>5</sup> not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, <sup>6</sup> whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior,

Titus 3: 1 – 7 (NKJV)

<sup>7</sup> that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

<sup>7</sup> Because of his grace he made us right in his sight and gave us confidence that we will inherit eternal life.(NLT)

Titus 3: 1 – 7 (NKJV)

<sup>8</sup> This is a faithful saying, and these things I want you to affirm constantly, that those who have believed in God should be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable to men. <sup>9</sup> But avoid foolish disputes, genealogies, contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and useless.

Titus 3: 8 - 9 (NKJV)

<sup>15</sup> All who are with me send greetings to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all.

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup> through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Romans 5: 1 – 5 (NKJV)

<sup>3</sup> And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; <sup>4</sup> and perseverance, character; and character, hope.

Romans 5: 1 – 5 (NKJV)

<sup>5</sup> Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

Romans 5: 1 – 5 (NKJV)

<sup>1</sup> But now, thus says the LORD, who  
created you, O Jacob,  
And He who formed you, O Israel:  
“Fear not, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by your name;  
You are Mine.

<sup>2</sup> When you pass through the waters, I will  
be with you;  
And through the rivers, they shall not  
overflow you.  
When you walk through the fire, you shall  
not be burned,  
Nor shall the flame scorch you.

Isaiah 43: 1 - 3 (NKJV)



<sup>3</sup> For I am the LORD your God,  
The Holy One of Israel, your Savior;  
I gave Egypt for your ransom,  
Ethiopia and Seba in your place.

Ships  
dont sink Because  
of the water Around them

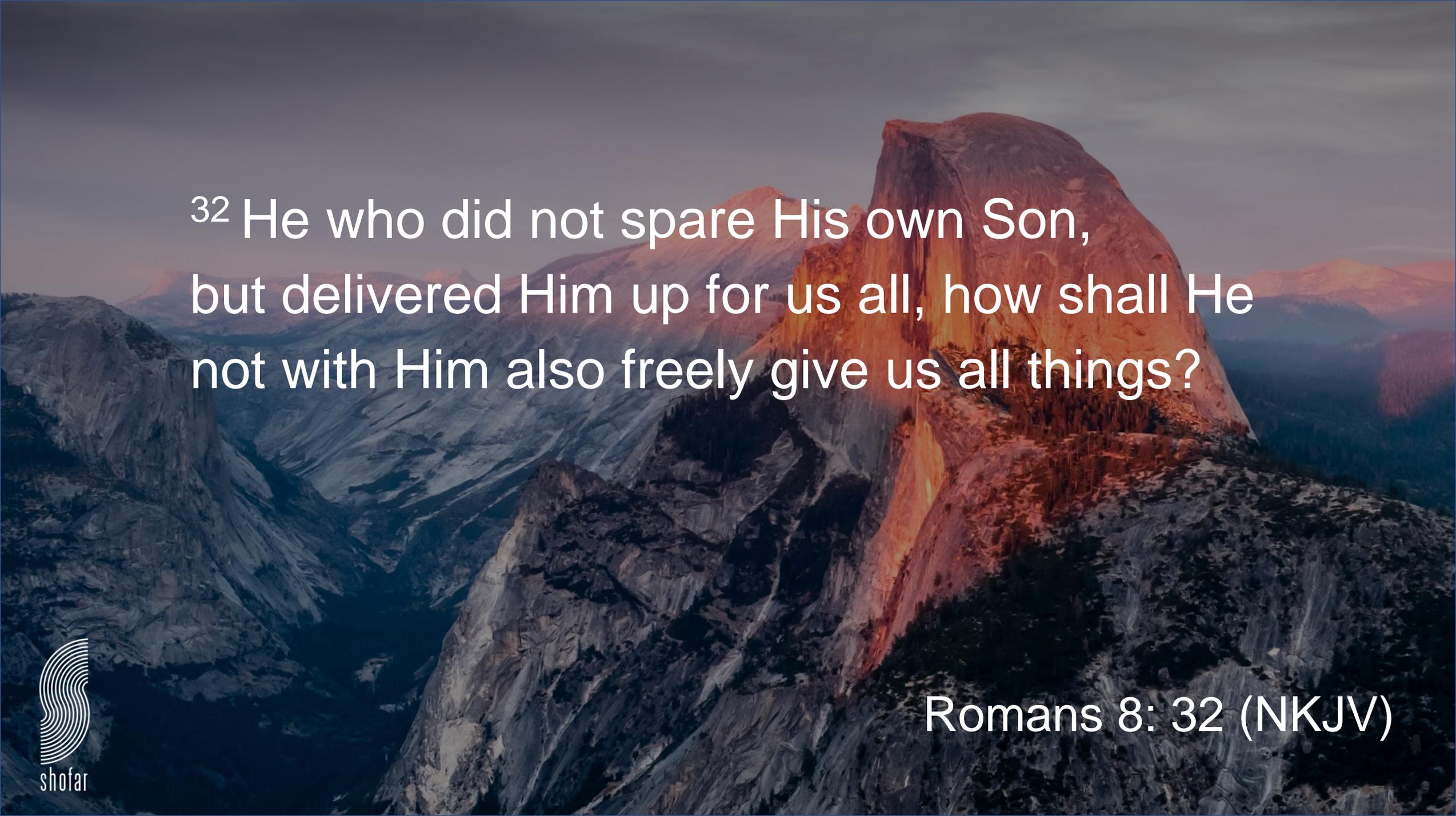
Ships sink Because of  
the water that gets IN them!

- Dont let whats happening  
around you get inside you  
and weigh you down.

# Isaiah 43:2

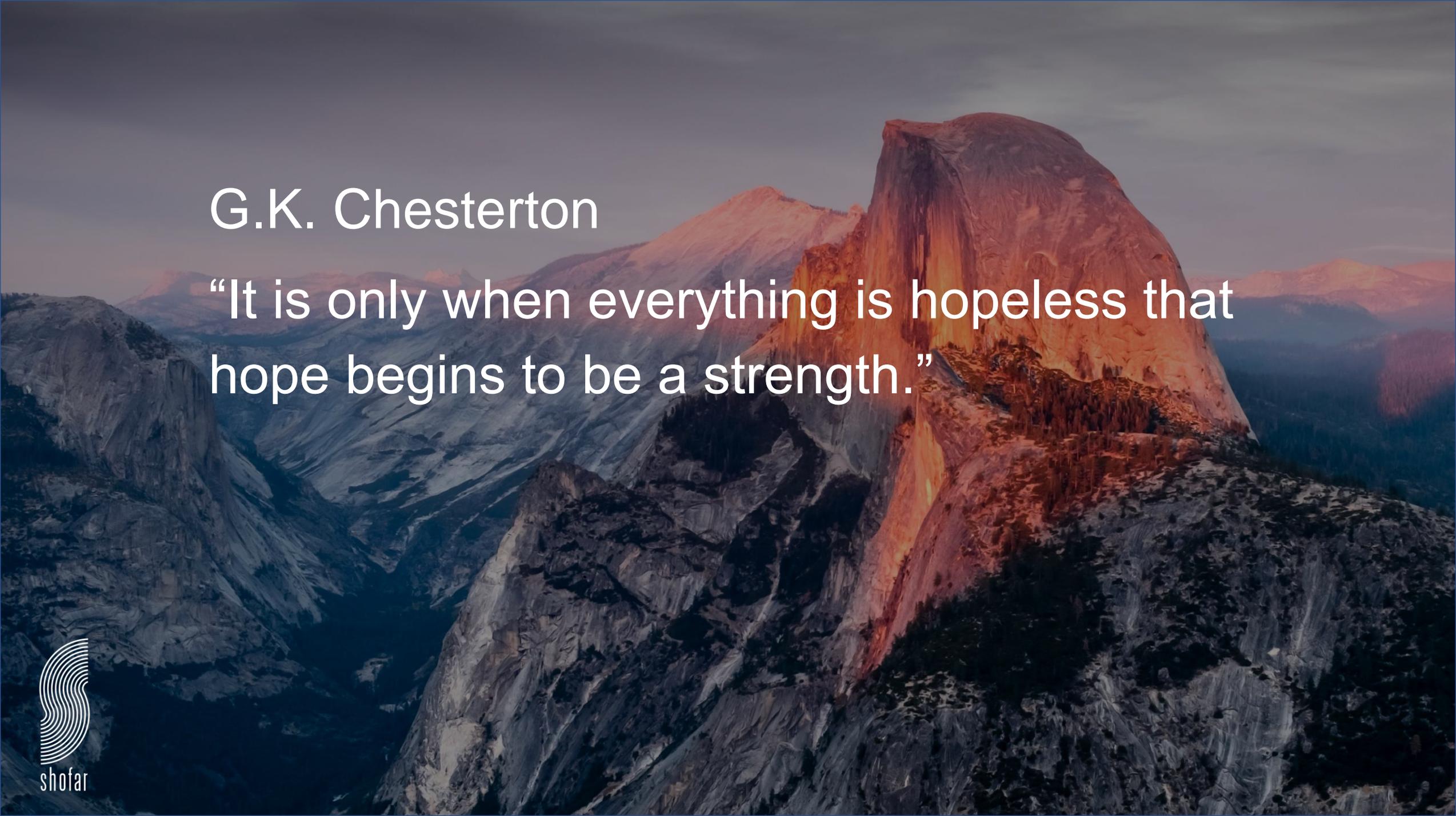


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<sup>32</sup> He who did not spare His own Son,  
but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He  
not with Him also freely give us all things?

Romans 8: 32 (NKJV)



G.K. Chesterton

“It is only when everything is hopeless that hope begins to be a strength.”



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Faith

Certainty



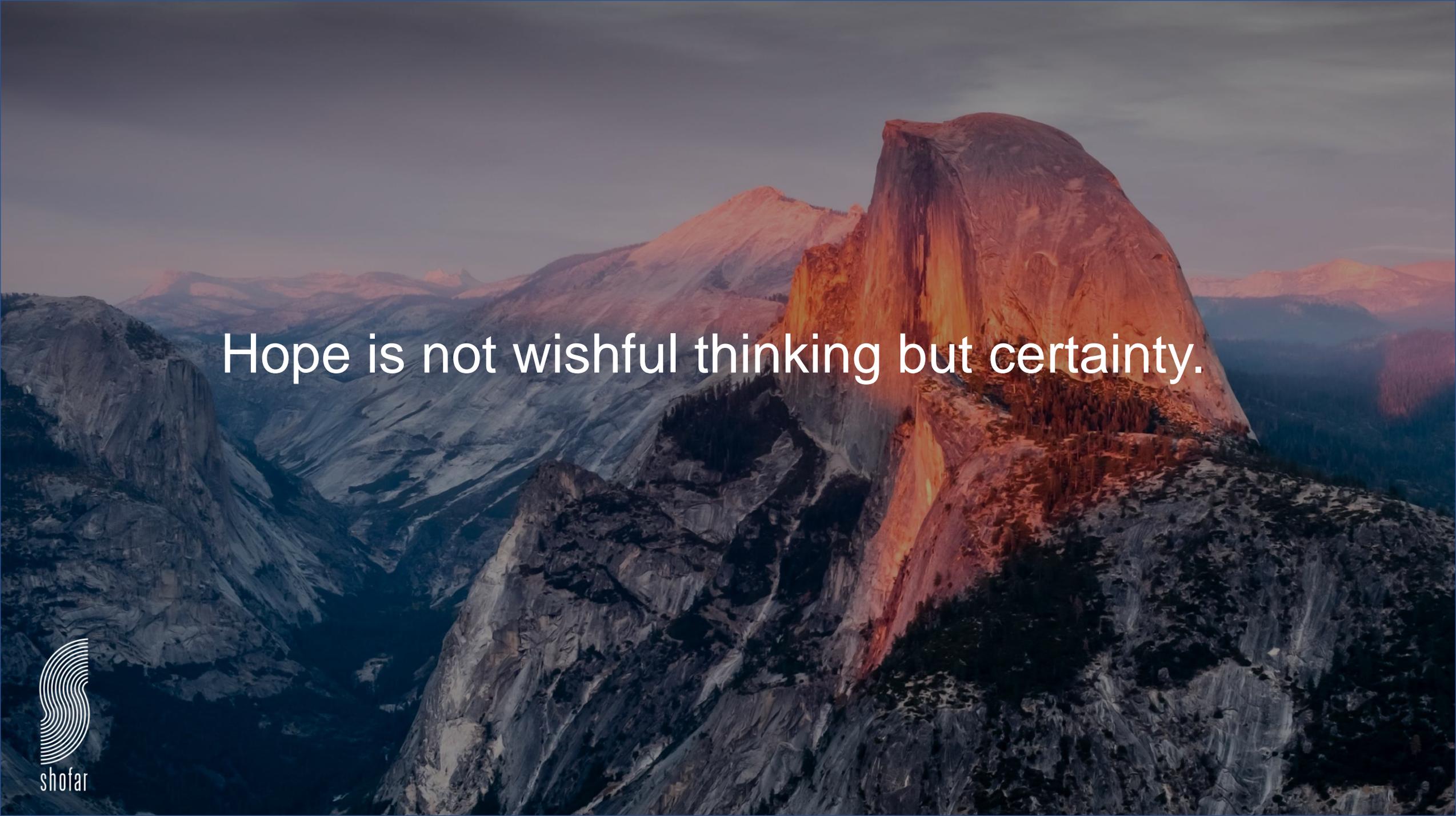
Doubt

Unbelieve

Uncertainty



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Hope is not wishful thinking but certainty.



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# MINISTRY



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