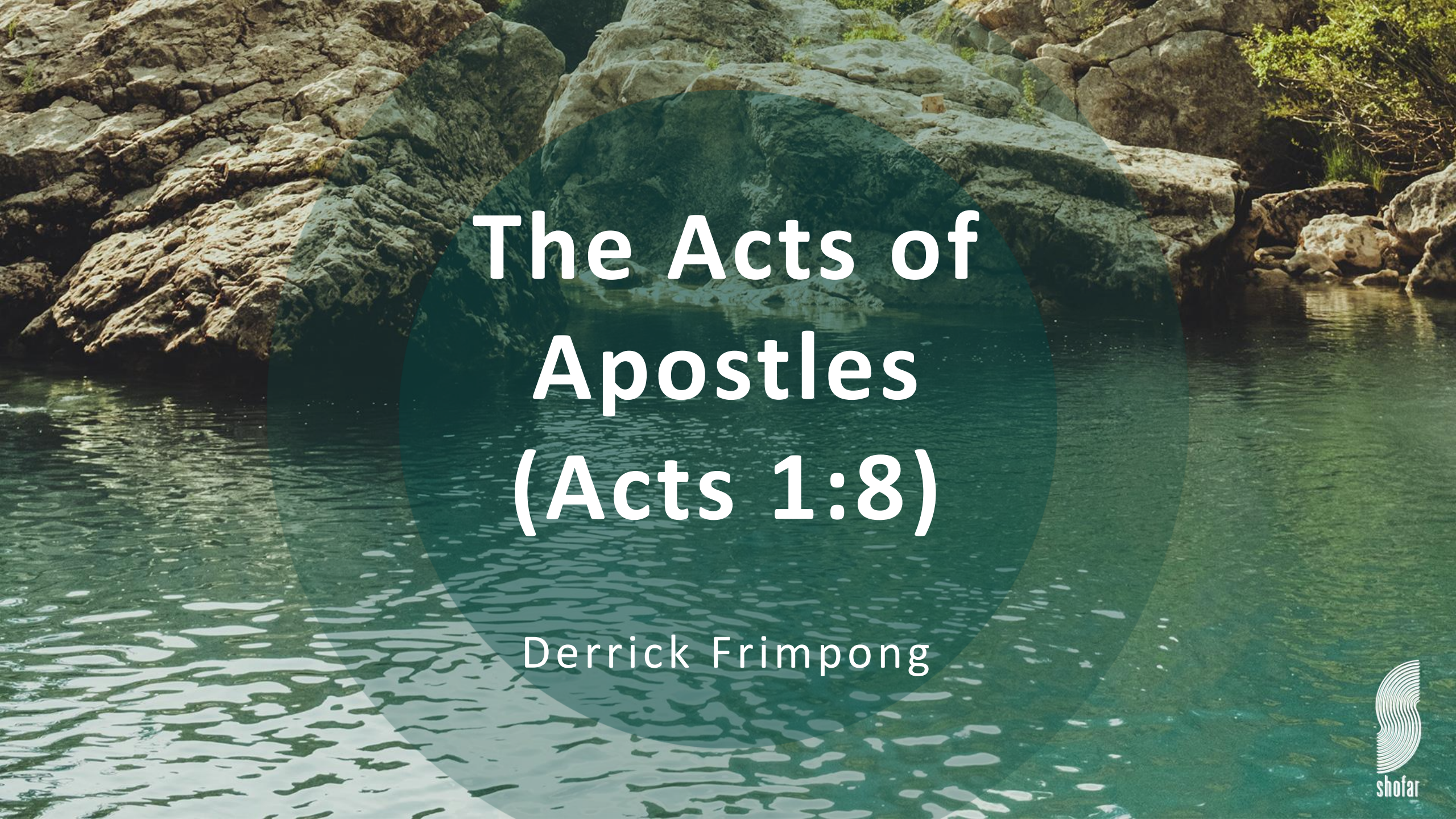




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The Acts of Apostles (Acts 1:8)

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The Secret of the Future Lies in the Past

In context, in God's word (past relevant events) lies the secret to our future with Him



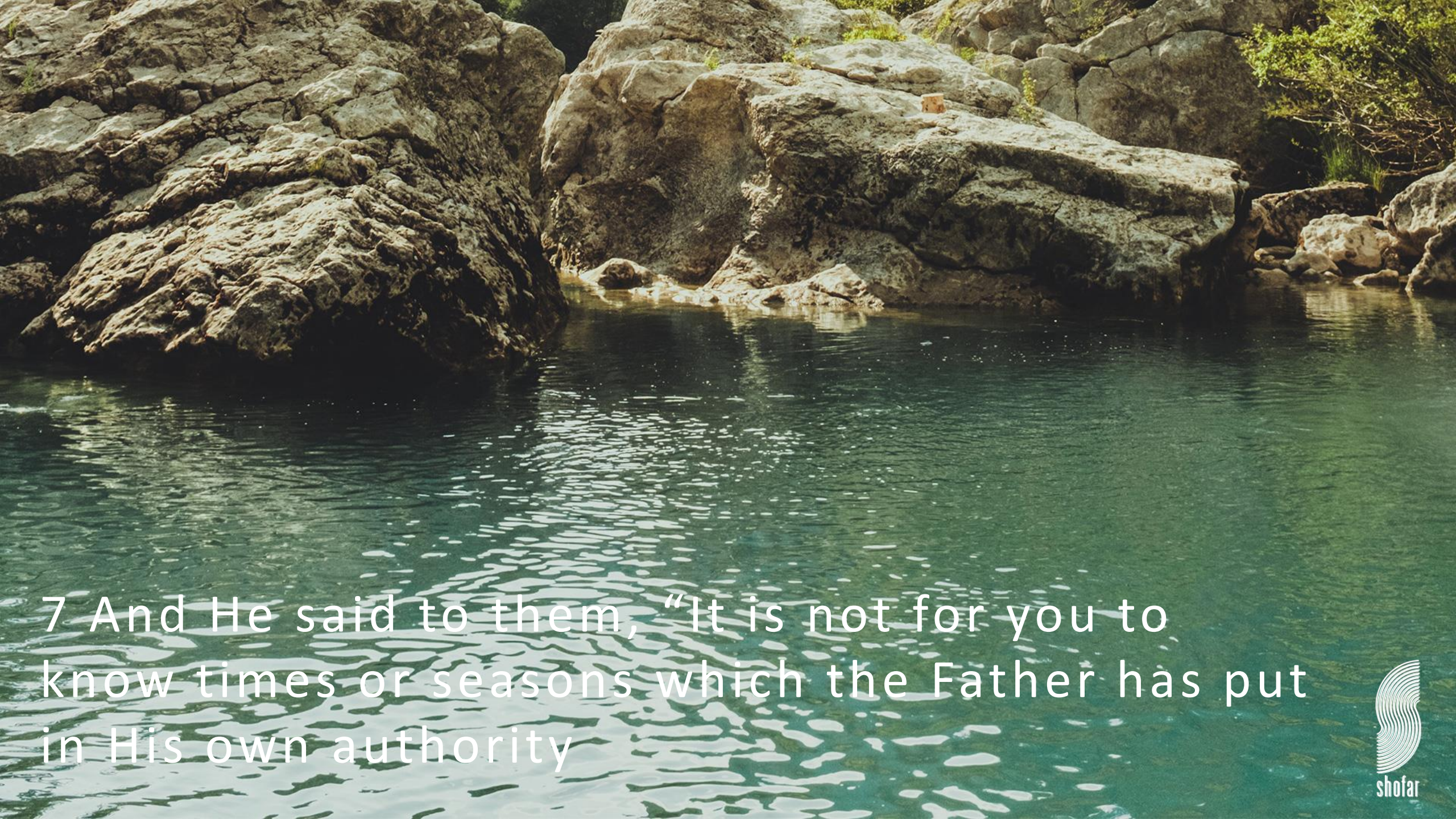
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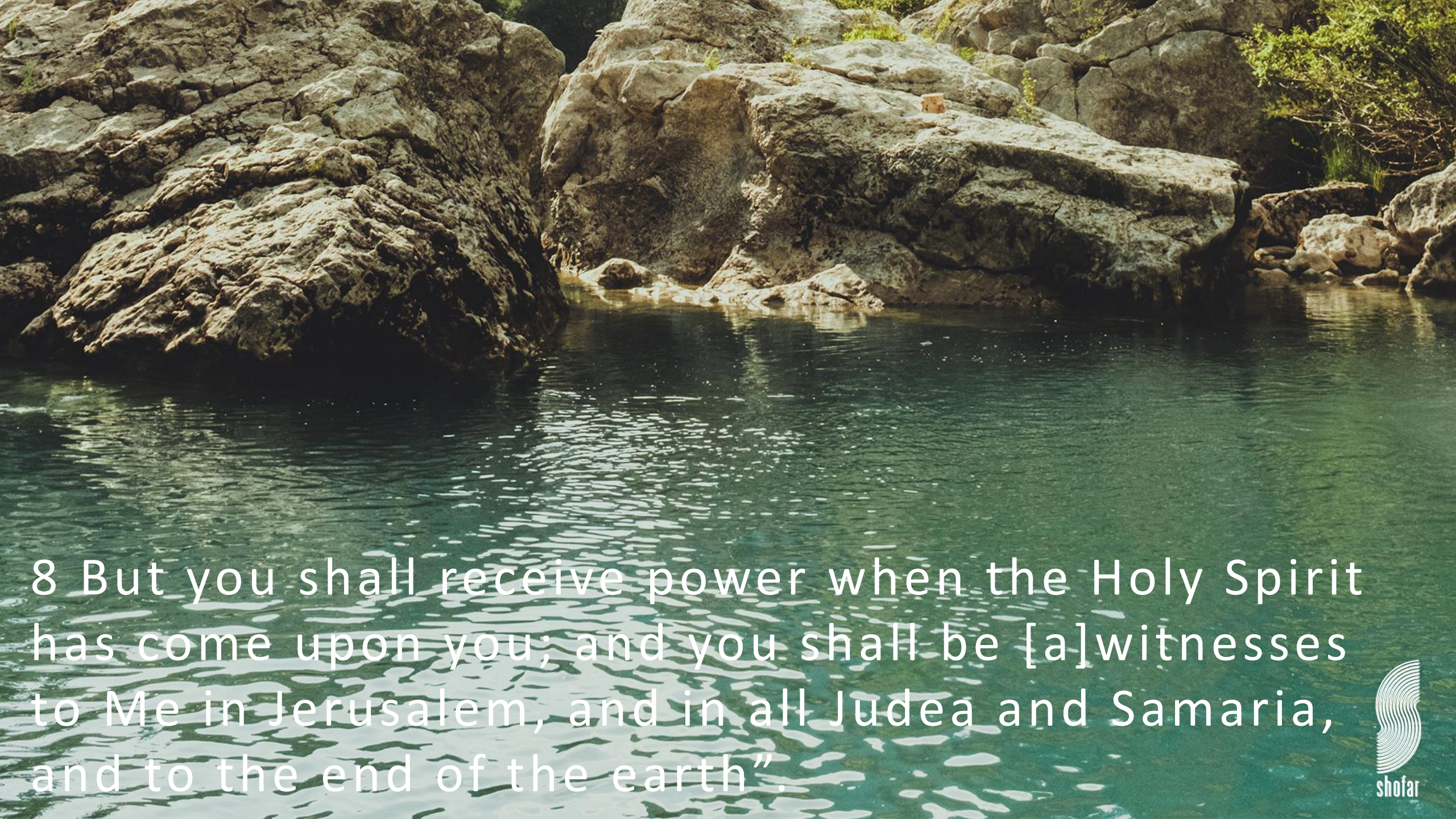


Acts 1: 6-8 (NKJV)

6 Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, “Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?”



7 And He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority



8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be [a]witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth”.



Acts 1:4-5 (NKJV)

“4 And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, “which,” He said, “you have heard from Me;

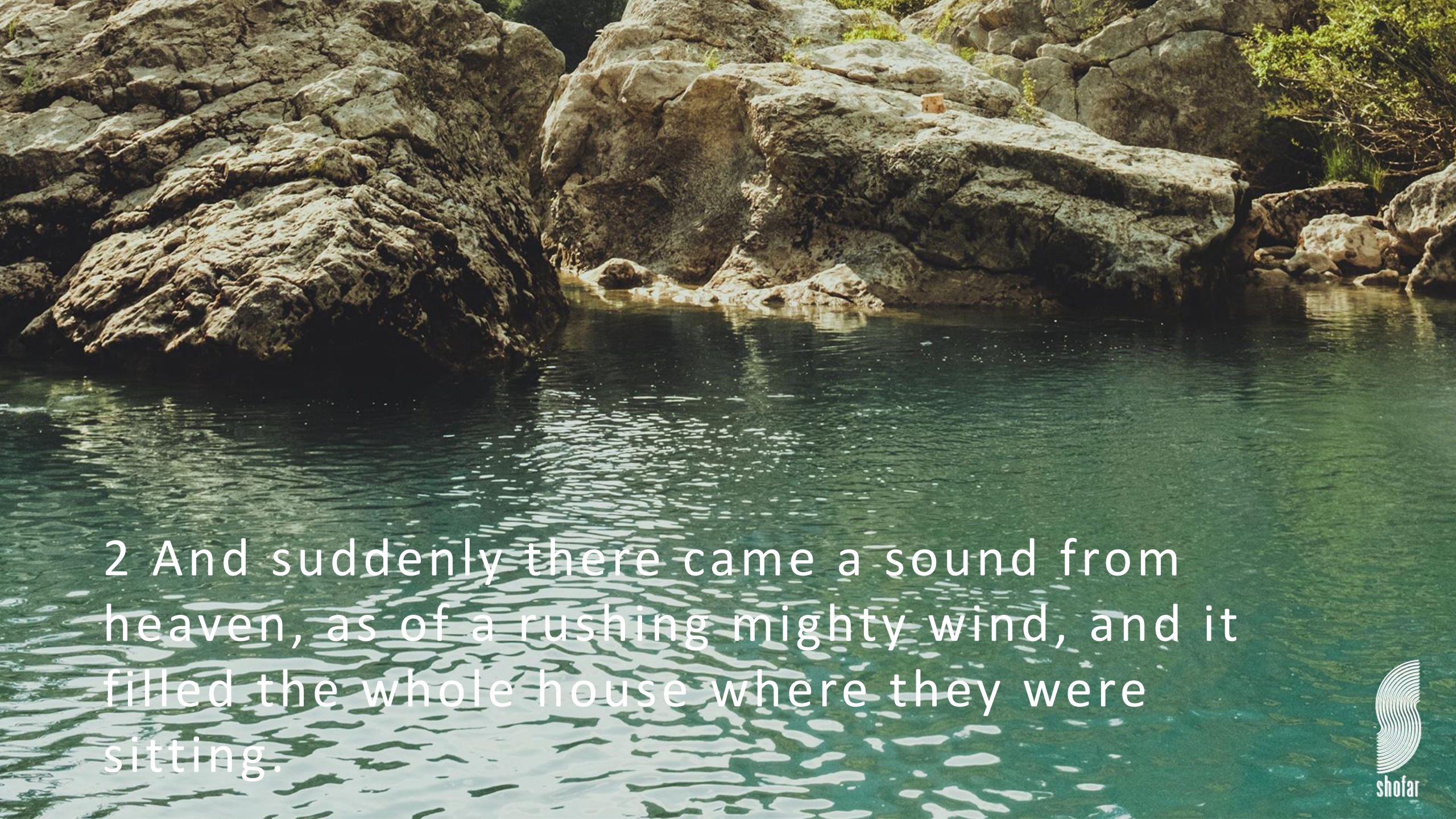


5 for John truly baptized with water, but
you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit
not many days from now

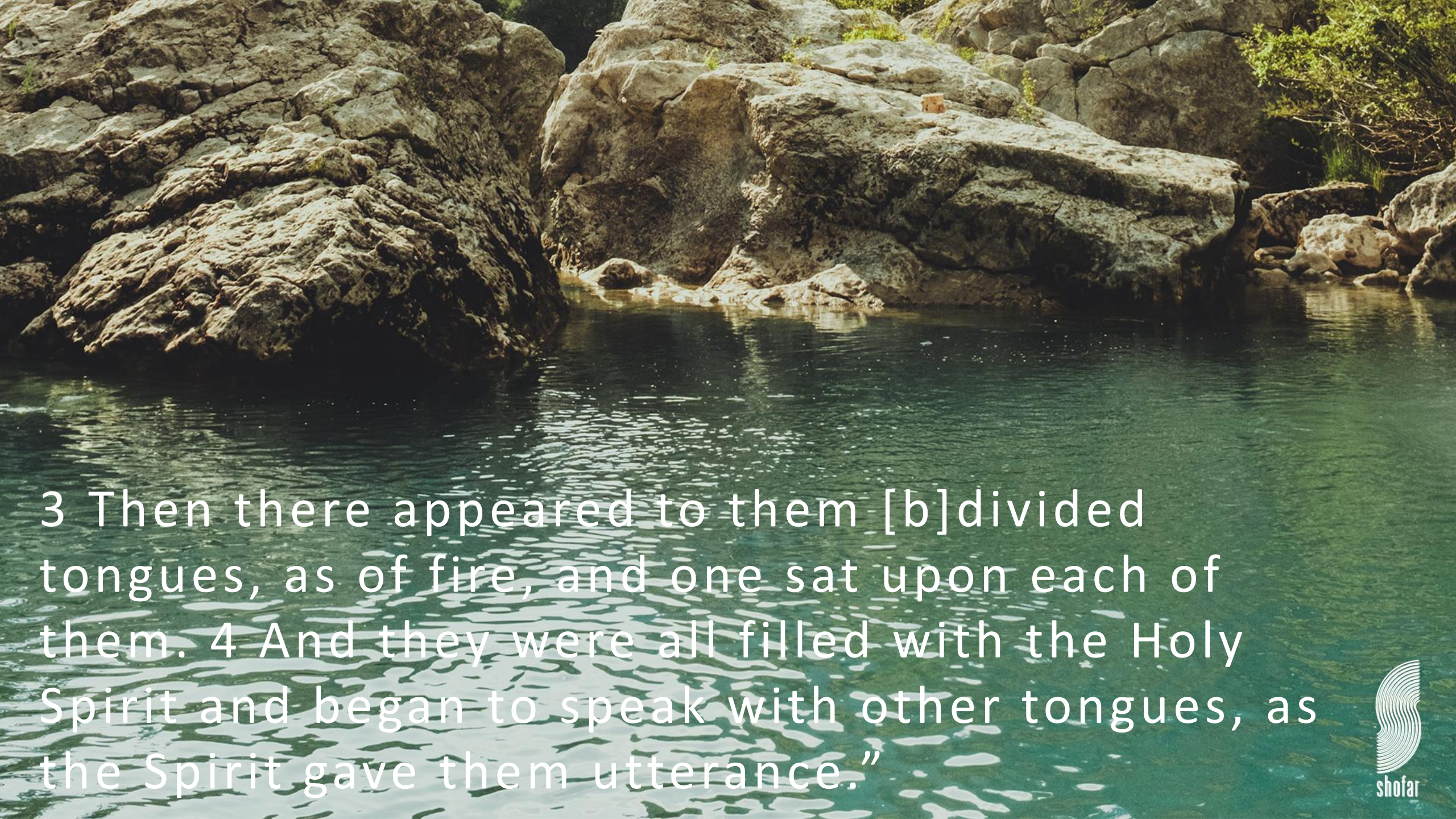


Acts 2:1-4(NKJV)

“When the Day of Pentecost had fully come,
they were all [a]with one accord in one
place.



2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting.

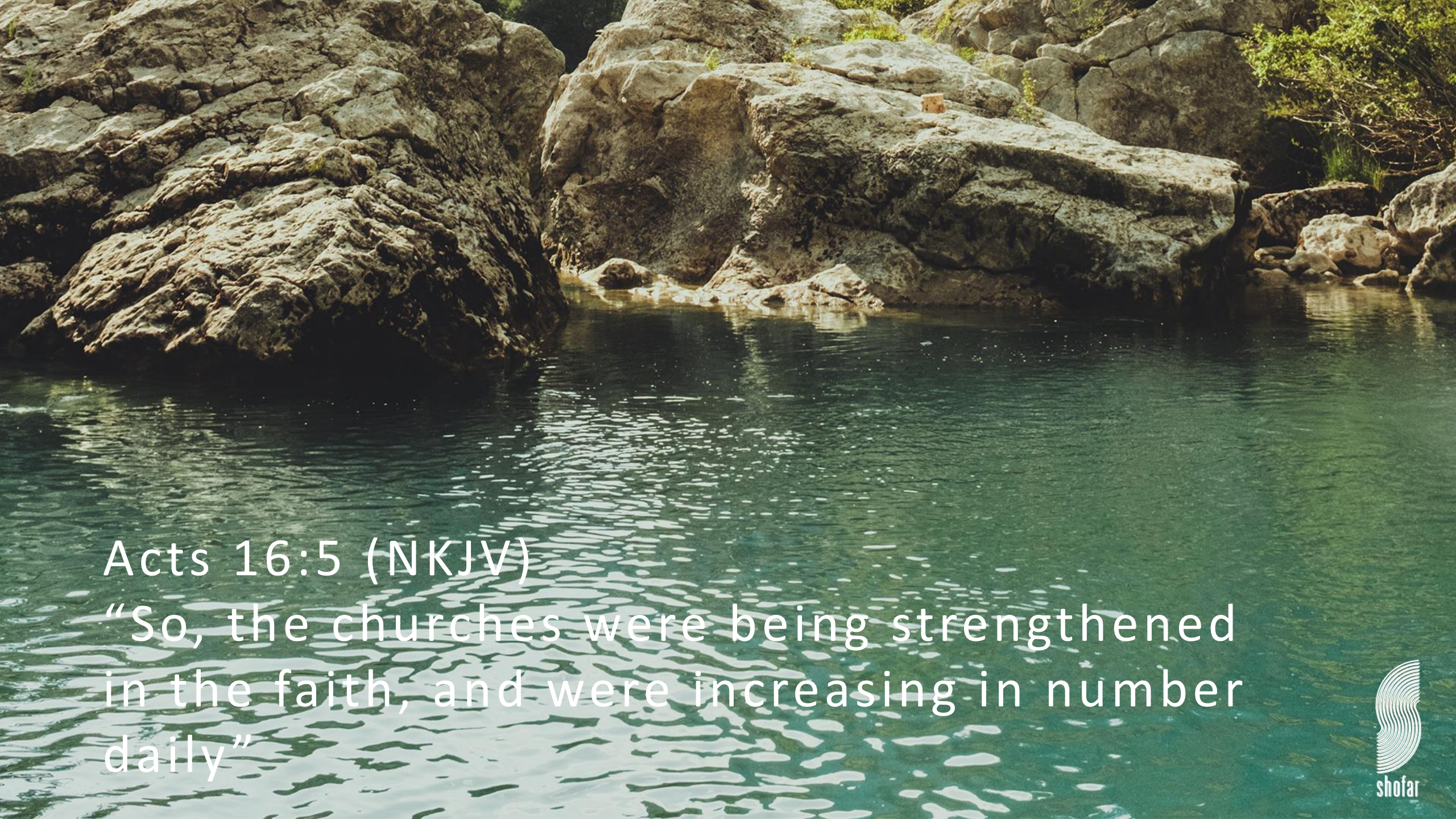


3 Then there appeared to them [b]divided
tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of
them. 4 And they were all filled with the Holy
Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as
the Spirit gave them utterance.”



Genesis 1: 2 (NKJV)

² The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.



Acts 16:5 (NKJV)

“So, the churches were being strengthened
in the faith, and were increasing in number
daily”

THE CYCLIC PRINCIPLE

Cycle One

Christian leaders arise and preach the gospel.

Cycle Two

Listeners are converted and added to the church.

Cycle Three

Opponents begin to persecute the Christian leaders.

Cycle Four

God intervenes to rescue the leaders or otherwise protect the church.



WORDS OF WISDOM FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES



Empowerment & Promptings
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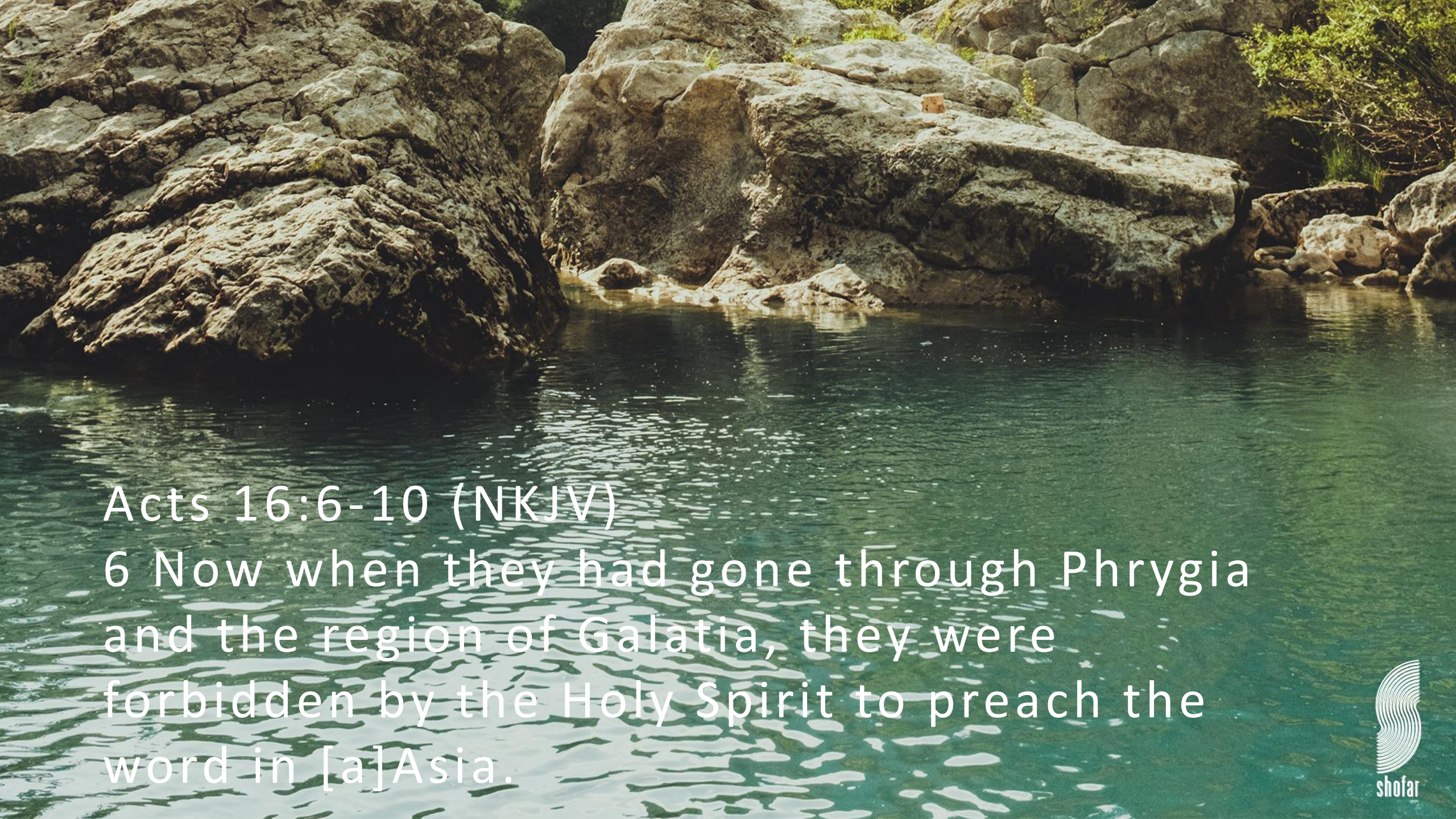


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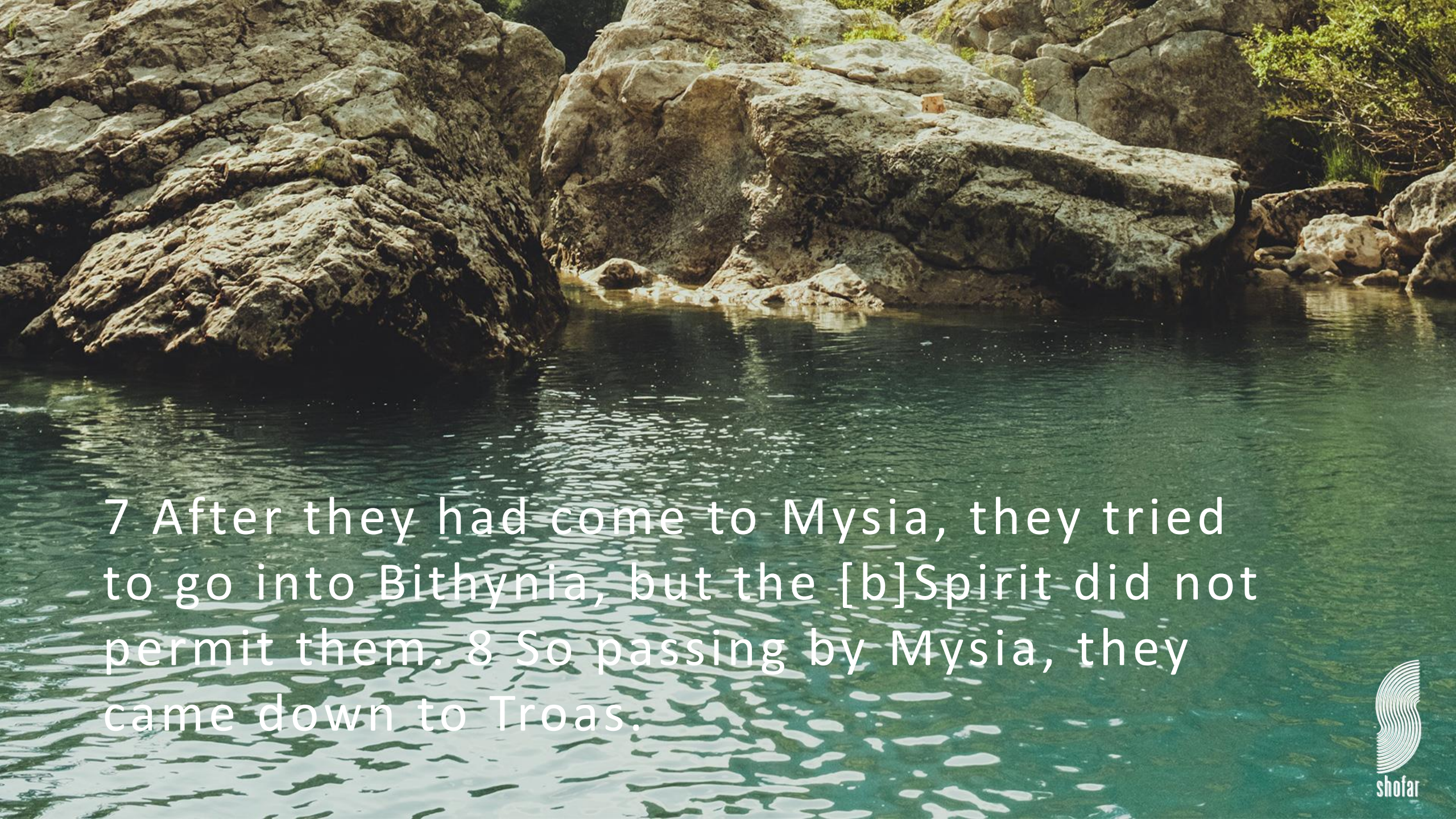
Faithful witness brings great
results





Acts 16:6-10 (NKJV)

6 Now when they had gone through Phrygia and the region of Galatia, they were forbidden by the Holy Spirit to preach the word in [a]Asia.



7 After they had come to Mysia, they tried to go into Bithynia, but the [b]Spirit did not permit them. 8 So passing by Mysia, they came down to Troas.



9 And a vision appeared to Paul in the night. A man of Macedonia stood and pleaded with him, saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us."



10 Now after he had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go to Macedonia, concluding that the Lord had called us to preach the gospel to them.

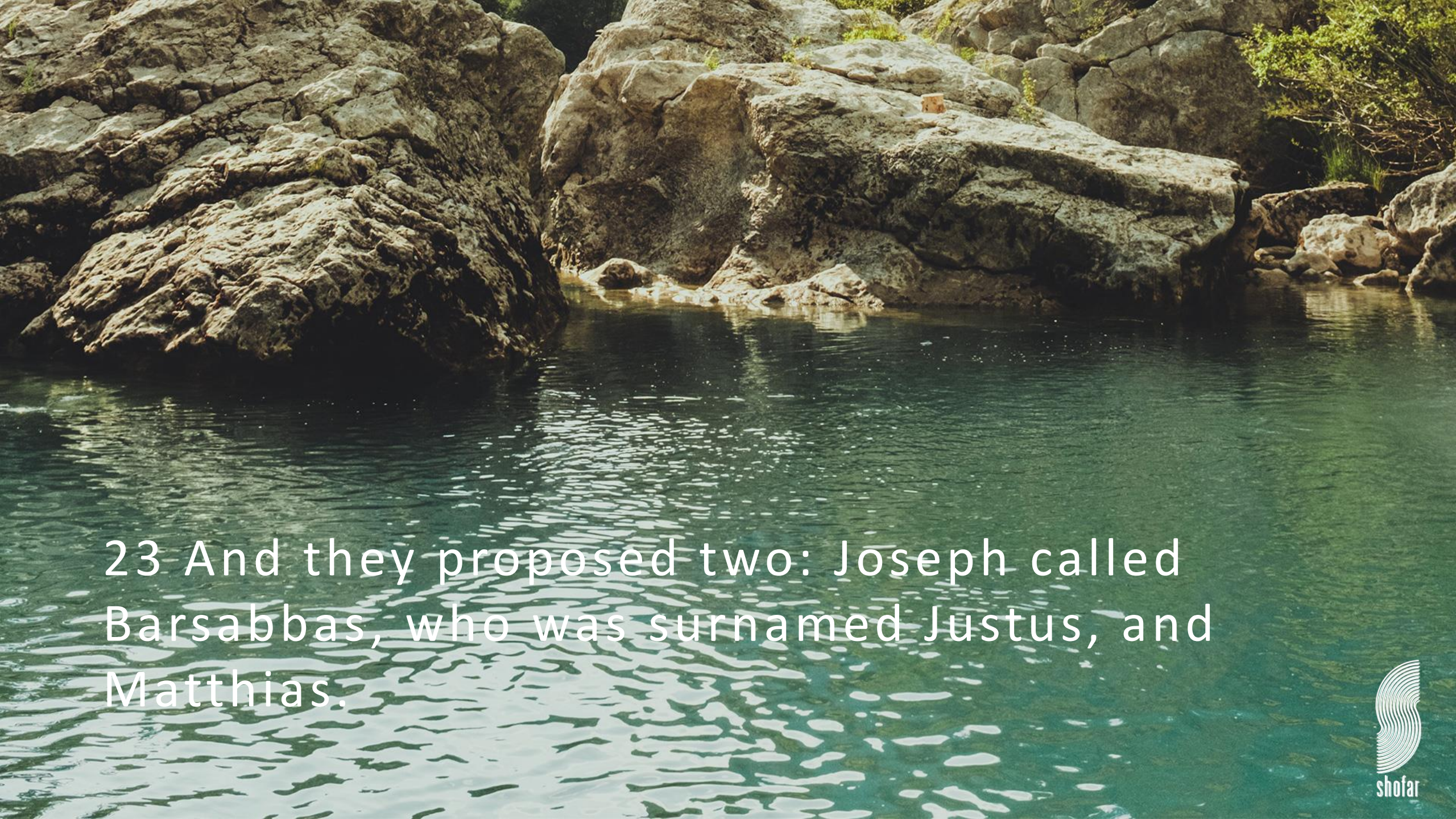


Acts 1:21-26 (NKJV)

21 Therefore, of these men who have accompanied us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us,



22 beginning from the baptism of John to that day
when He was taken up from us, one of these must
become a witness with us of His resurrection.



23 And they proposed two: Joseph called Barsabbas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias.



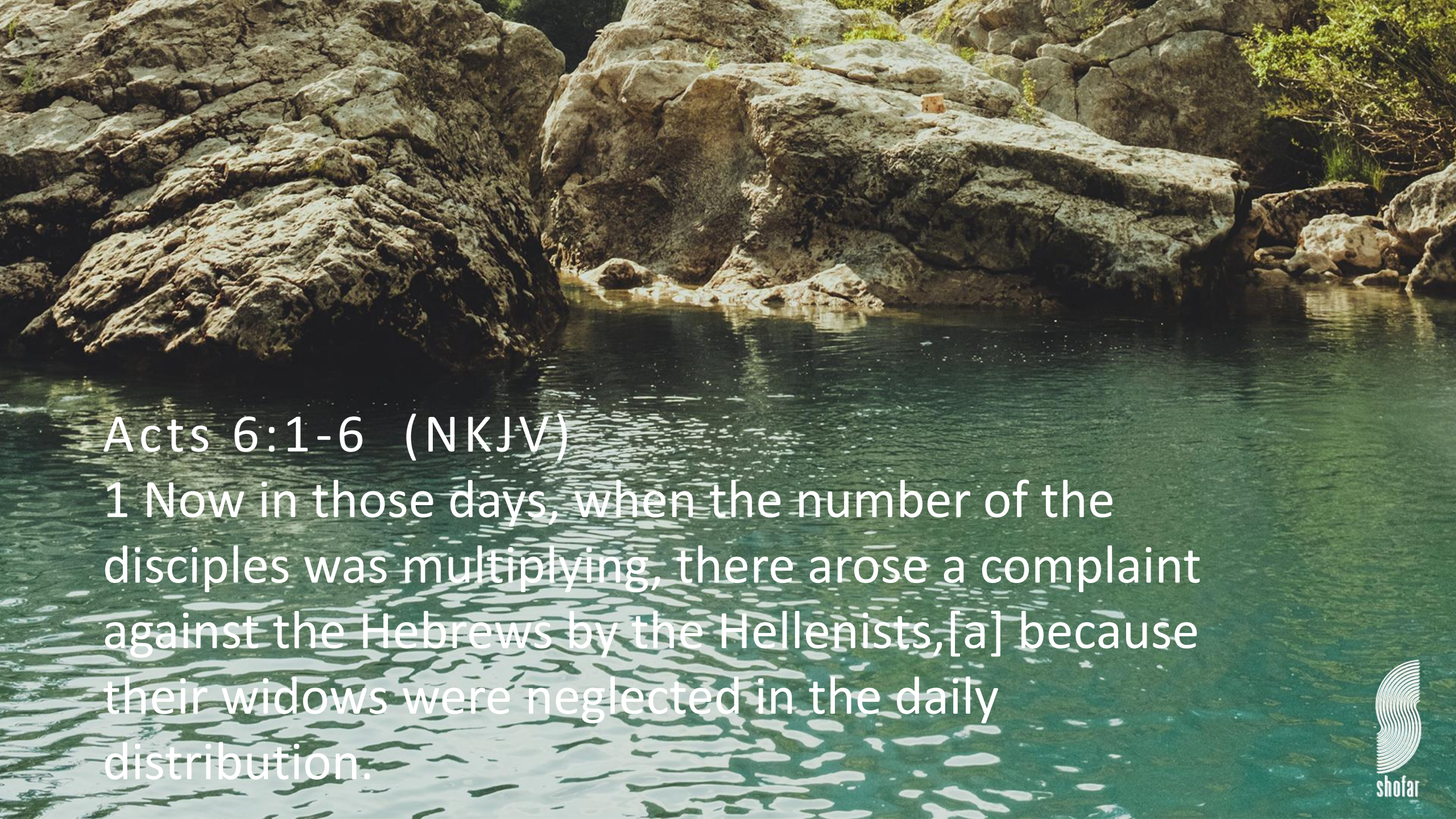
24 And they prayed and said, “You, O Lord, who
know the hearts of all, show which of these two
You have chosen



25 to take part in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place



26 And they cast their lots, and the lot fell on Matthias. And he was numbered with the eleven apostles.



Acts 6:1-6 (NKJV)

1 Now in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplying, there arose a complaint against the Hebrews by the Hellenists,[a] because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution.



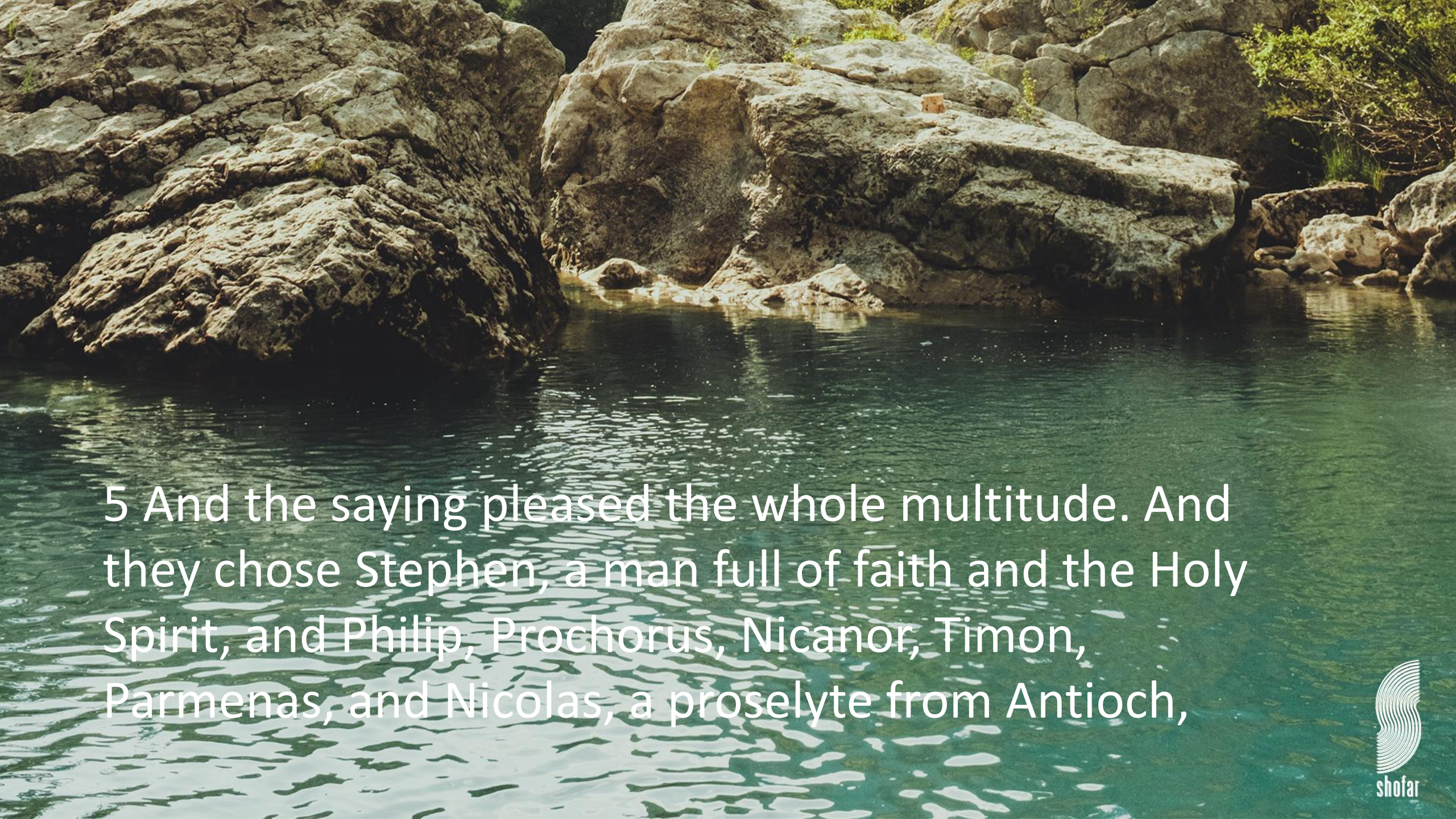
2 Then the twelve summoned the multitude of the disciples and said, “It is not desirable that we should leave the word of God and serve tables.



3 Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business;




4 but we will give ourselves continually to prayer
and to the ministry of the word.



5 And the saying pleased the whole multitude. And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, and Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas, a proselyte from Antioch,

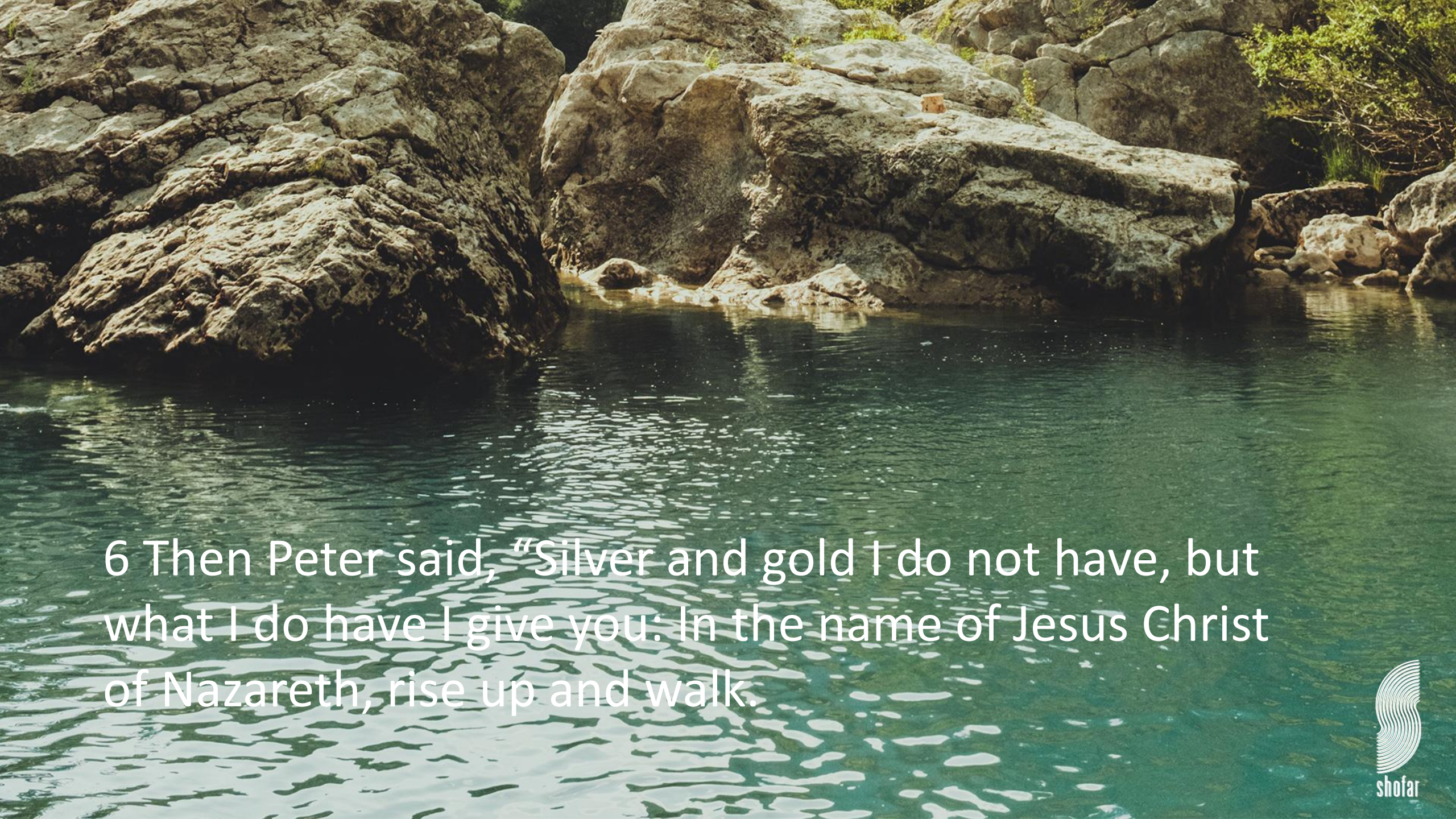


6 whom they set before the apostles; and when they
had prayed, they laid hands on them.



Acts 3:4-9 (NKJV)


4 And fixing his eyes on him, with John, Peter said,
“Look at us.” 5 So he gave them his attention,
expecting to receive something from them.



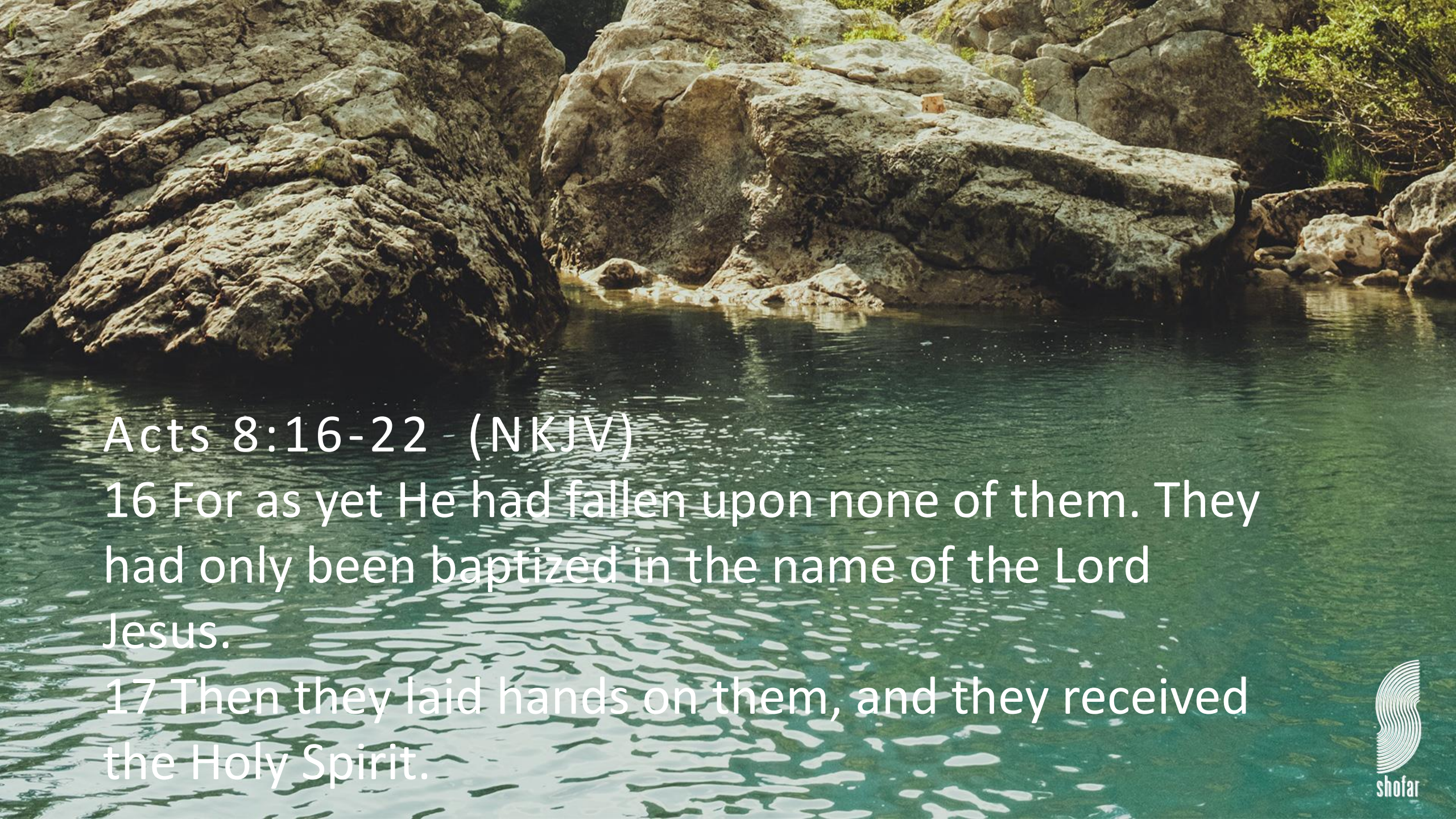
6 Then Peter said, "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk."



7 And he took him by the right hand and lifted him up, and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.



8 So he, leaping up, stood and walked and entered the temple with them—walking, leaping, and praising God. 9 And all the people saw him walking and praising God.



Acts 8:16-22 (NKJV)

16 For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

17 Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.



18 And when Simon saw that through the laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Spirit was given, he offered them money,

19 saying, "Give me this power also, that anyone on whom I lay hands may receive the Holy Spirit.

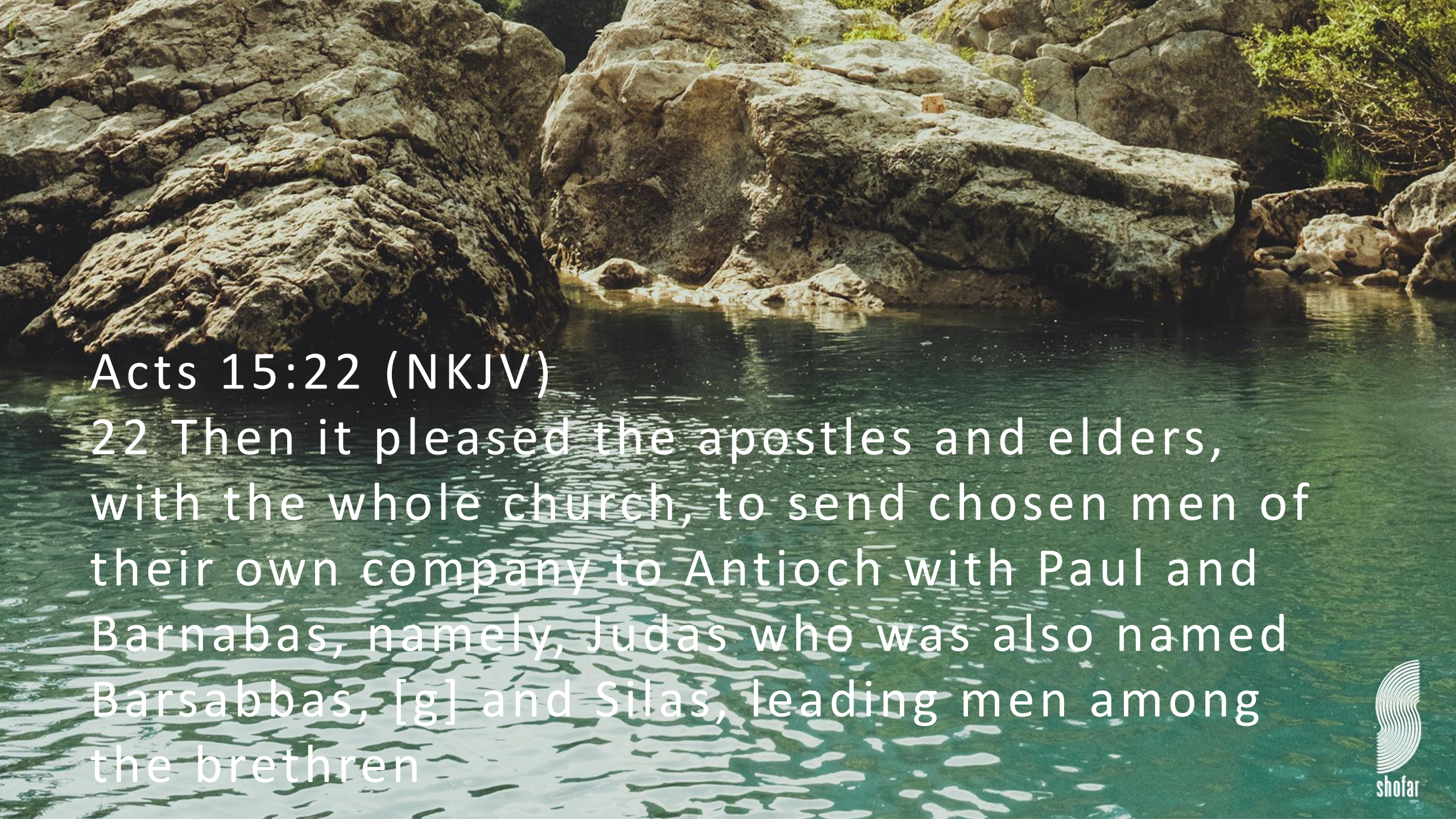


20 But Peter said to him, “Your money perish with you, because you thought that the gift of God could be purchased with money!



21 You have neither part nor portion in this matter,
for your heart is not right in the sight of God.

22 Repent therefore of this your wickedness and
pray God if perhaps the thought of your heart may
be forgiven you.



Acts 15:22 (NKJV)

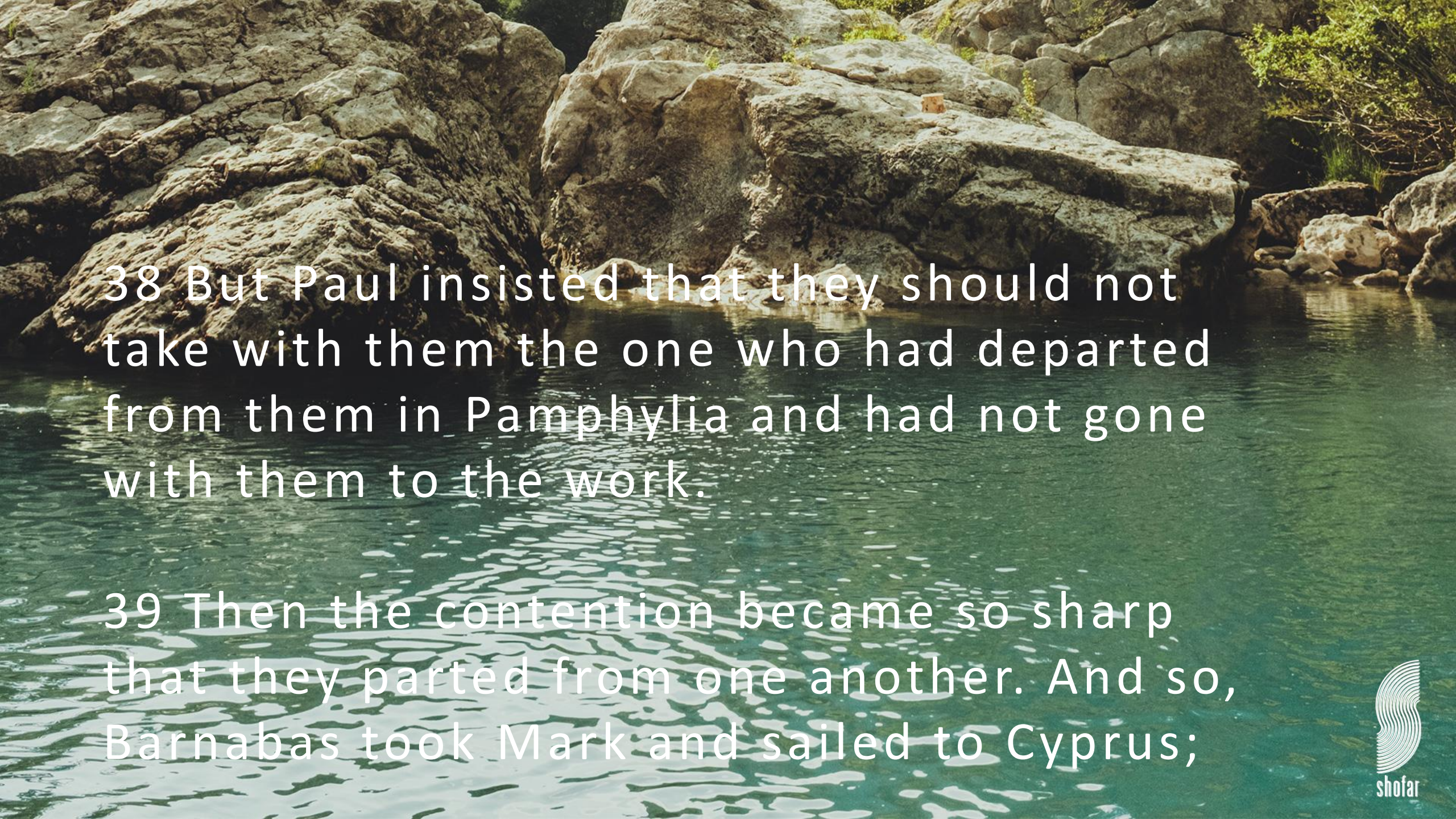
22 Then it pleased the apostles and elders,
with the whole church, to send chosen men of
their own company to Antioch with Paul and
Barnabas, namely, Judas who was also named
Barsabbas, [g] and Silas, leading men among
the brethren



Acts 15:36-39 (NKJV)

36 Then after some days Paul said to Barnabas,
“Let us now go back and visit our brethren in
every city where we have preached the word of
the Lord and see how they are doing.

37 Now Barnabas [a]was determined to take
with them John called Mark.



38 But Paul insisted that they should not take with them the one who had departed from them in Pamphylia and had not gone with them to the work.

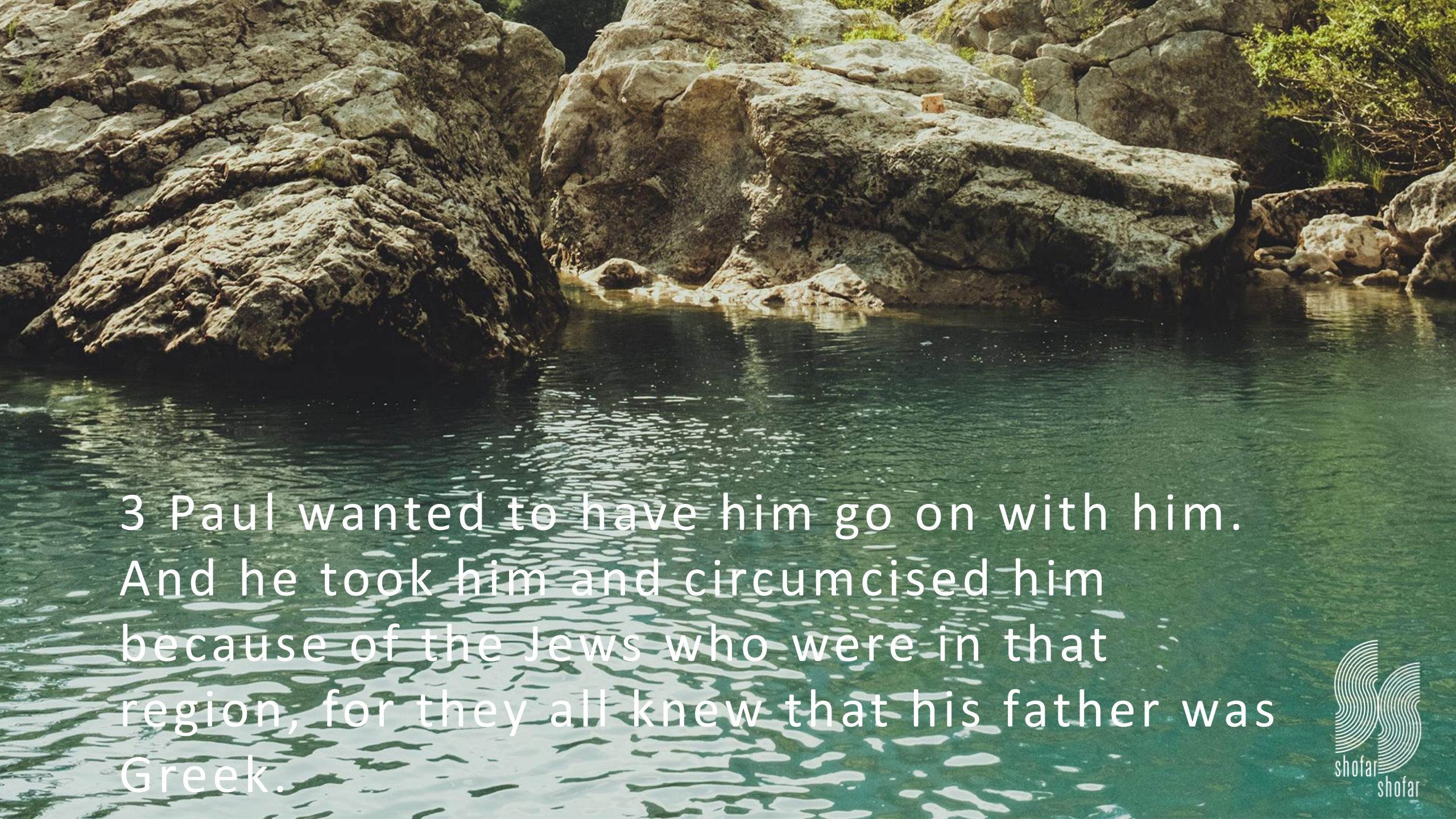
39 Then the contention became so sharp that they parted from one another. And so, Barnabas took Mark and sailed to Cyprus;



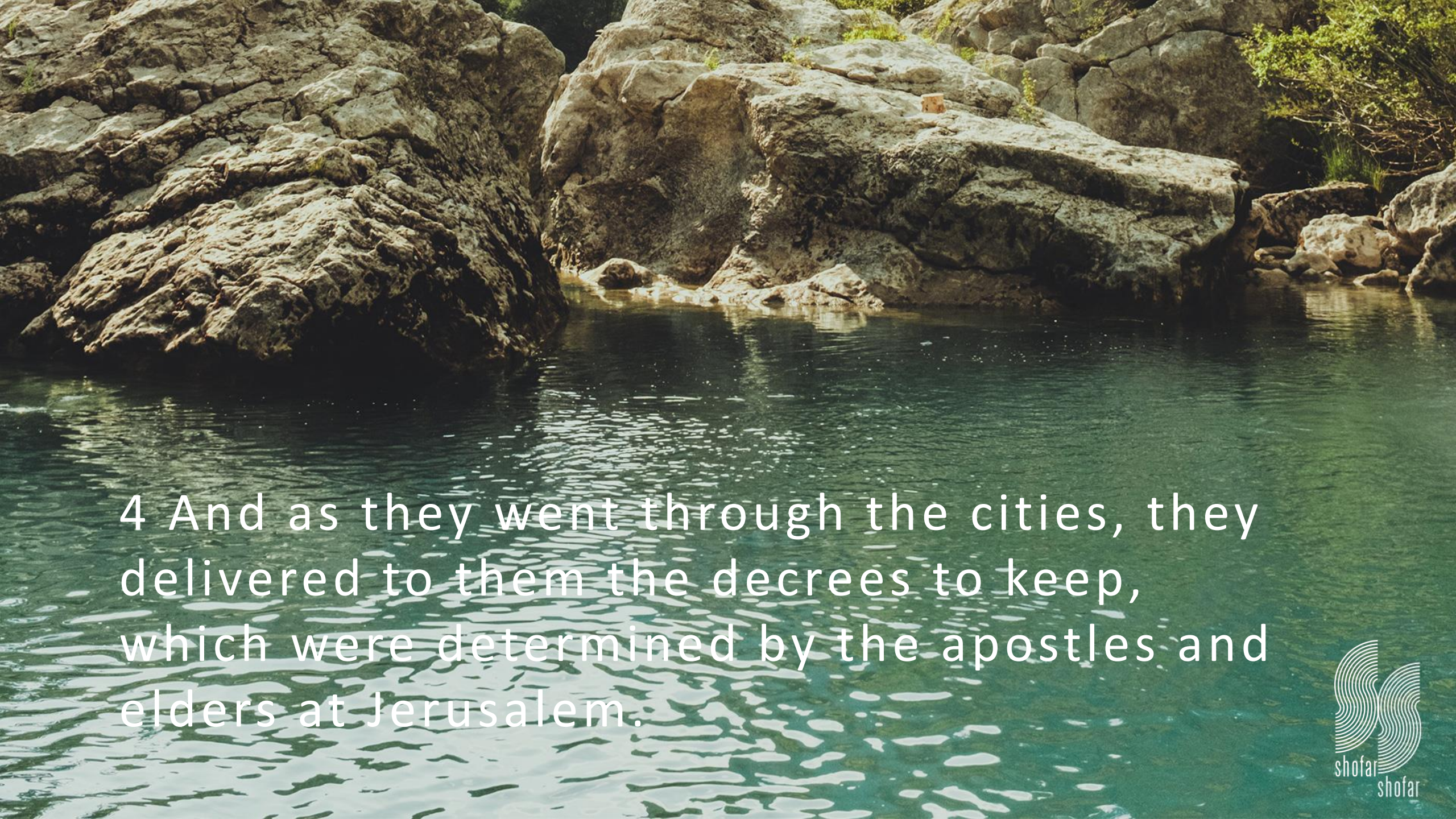
Acts 16:1-4 (NKJV)

1 Then he came to Derbe and Lystra. And behold, a certain disciple was there, named Timothy, the son of a certain Jewish woman who believed, but his father was Greek.

2 He was well spoken of by the brethren who were at Lystra and Iconium.



3 Paul wanted to have him go on with him.
And he took him and circumcised him
because of the Jews who were in that
region, for they all knew that his father was
Greek.



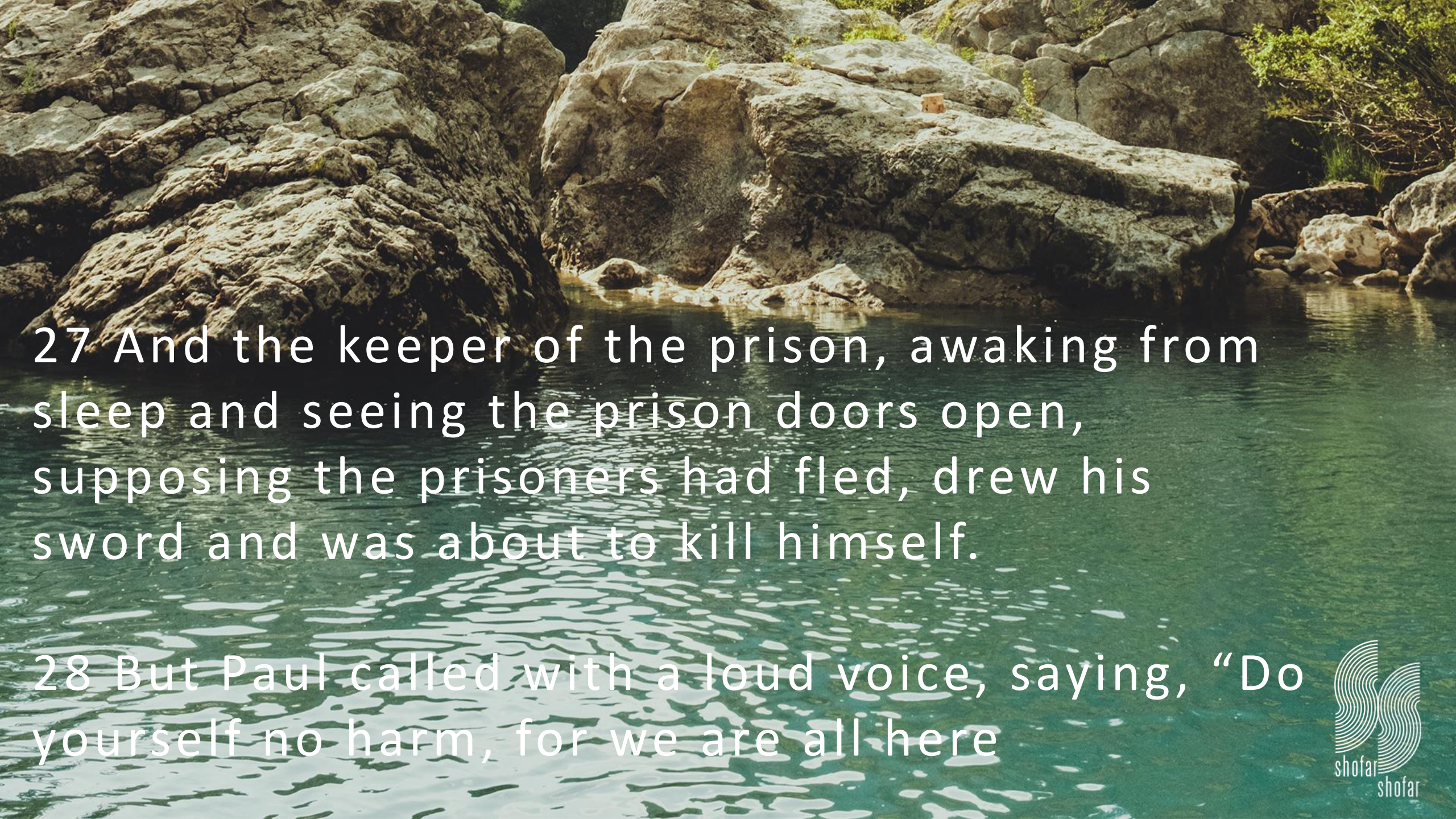
4 And as they went through the cities, they delivered to them the decrees to keep, which were determined by the apostles and elders at Jerusalem.

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Acts 16:25-34 (NKJV)

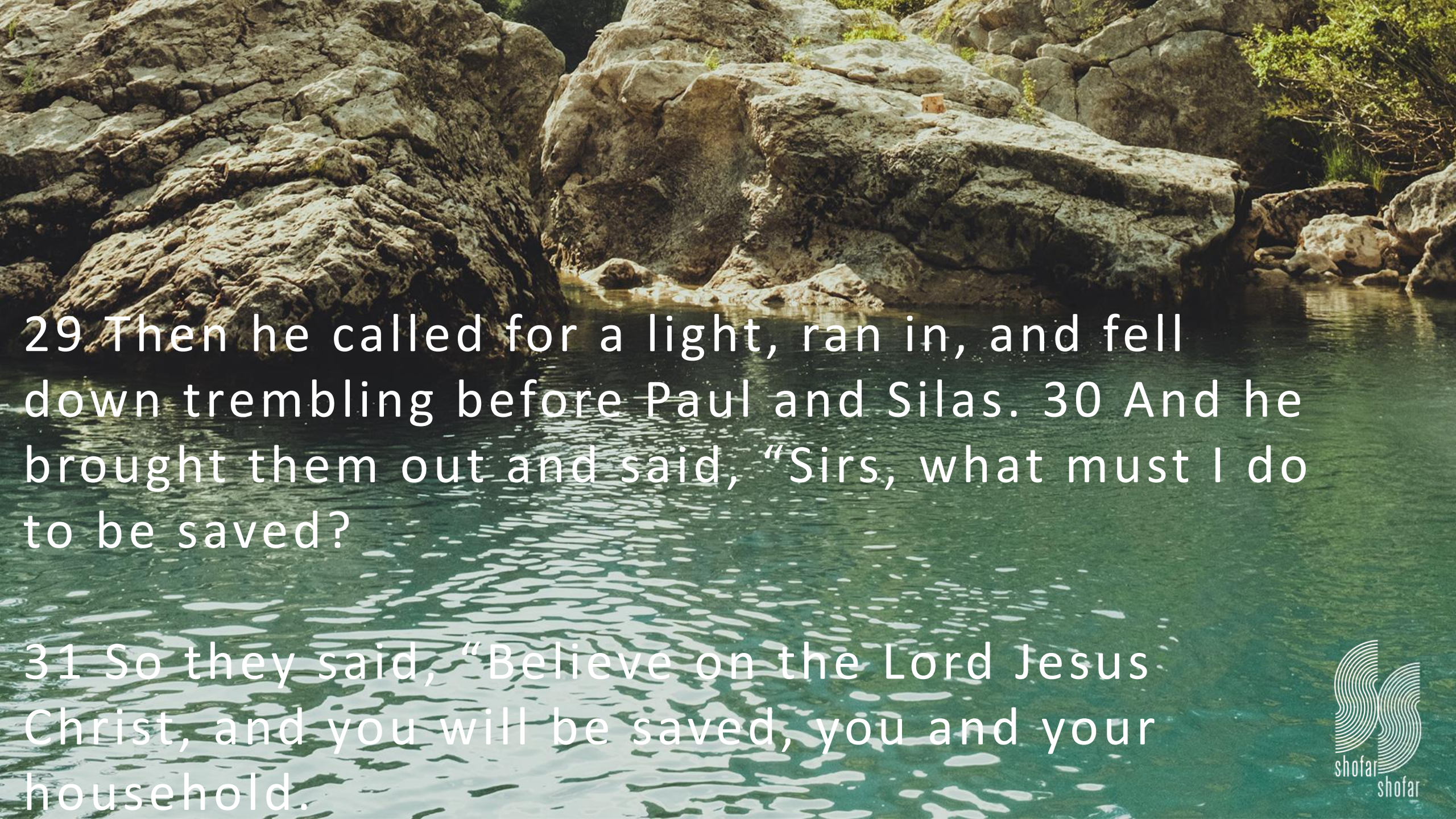
25 But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them.

26 Suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's chains were loosed.



27 And the keeper of the prison, awaking from sleep and seeing the prison doors open, supposing the prisoners had fled, drew his sword and was about to kill himself.

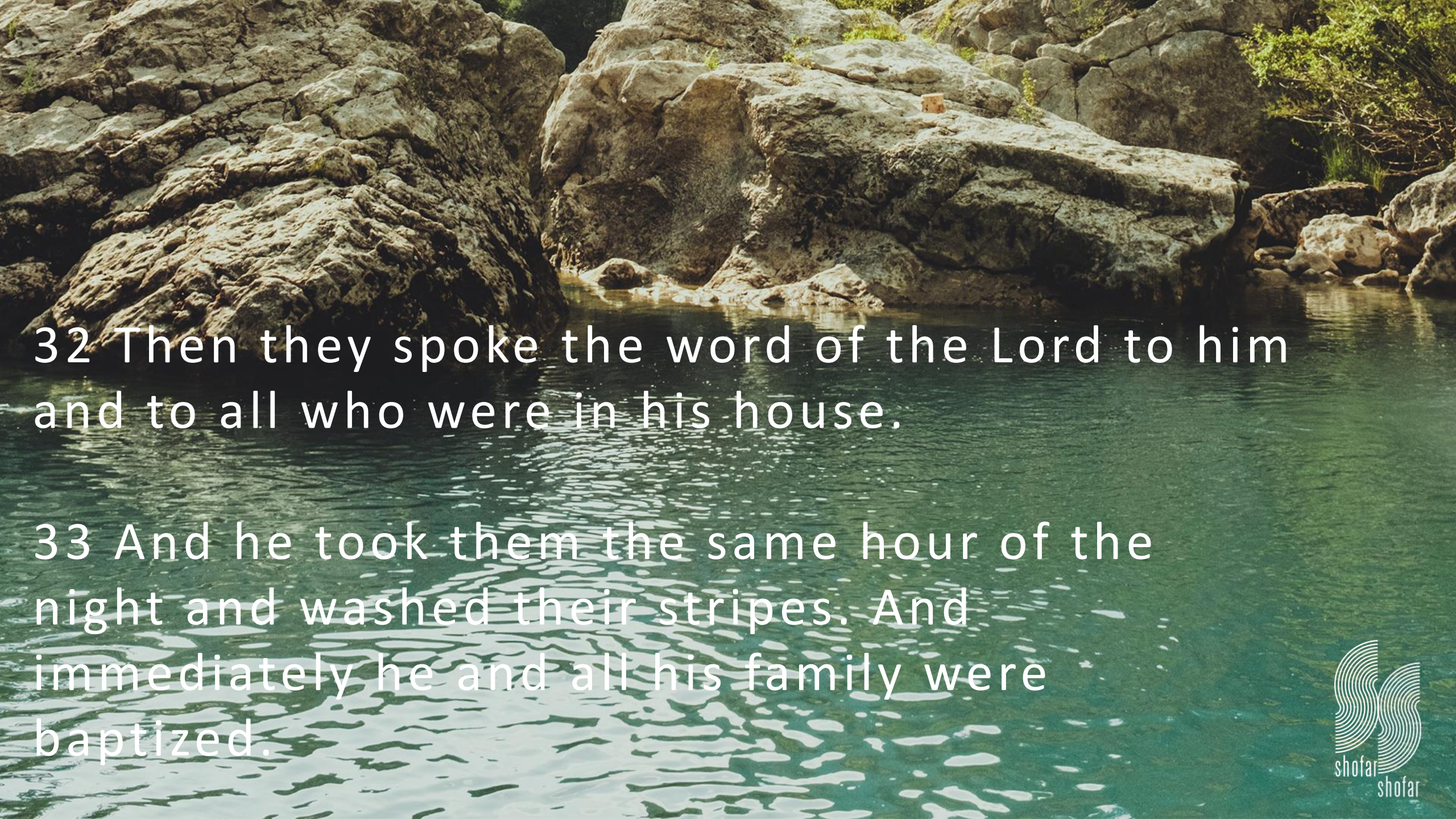
28 But Paul called with a loud voice, saying, "Do yourself no harm, for we are all here



29 Then he called for a light, ran in, and fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. 30 And he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"

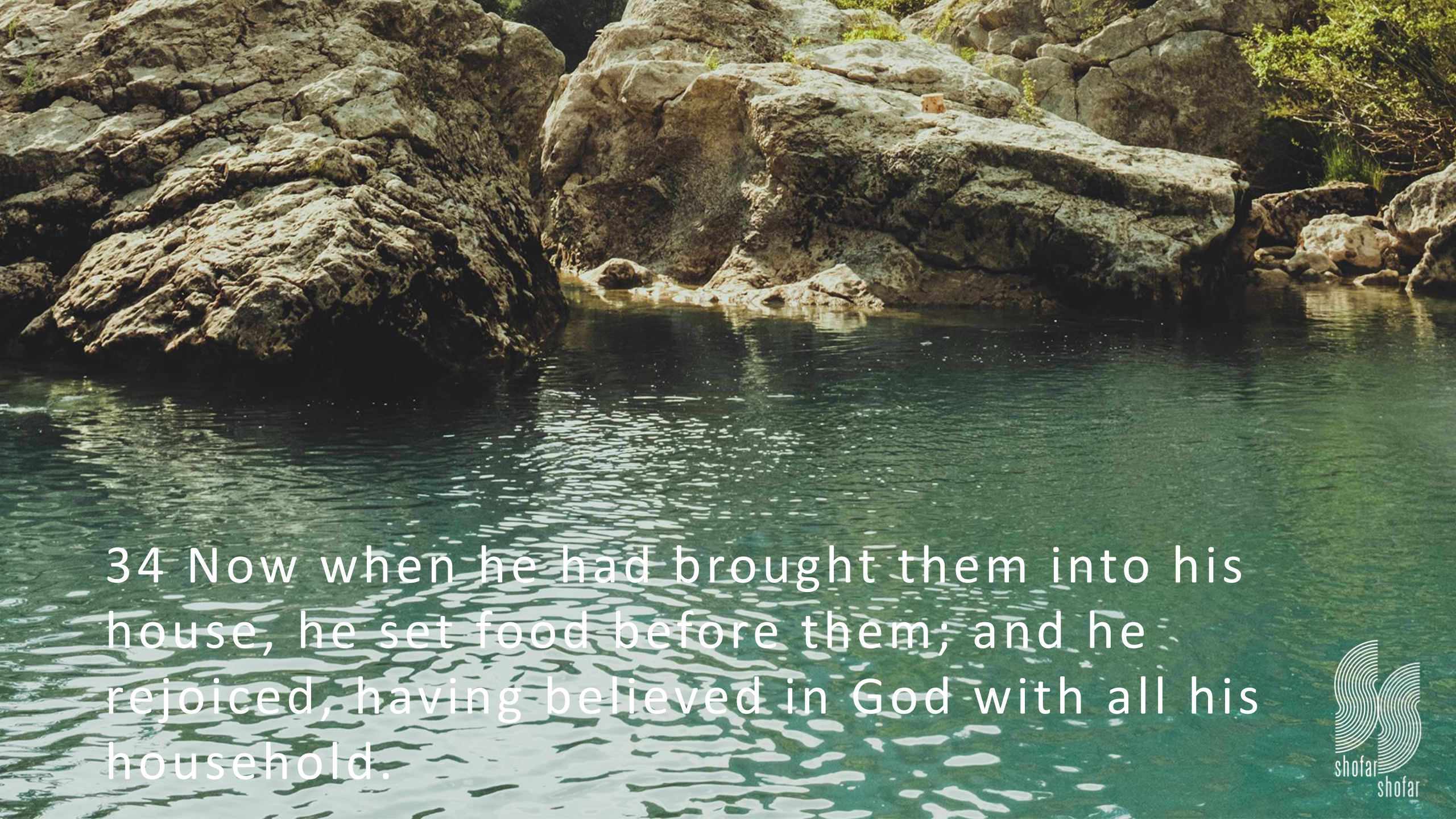
31 So they said, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household."



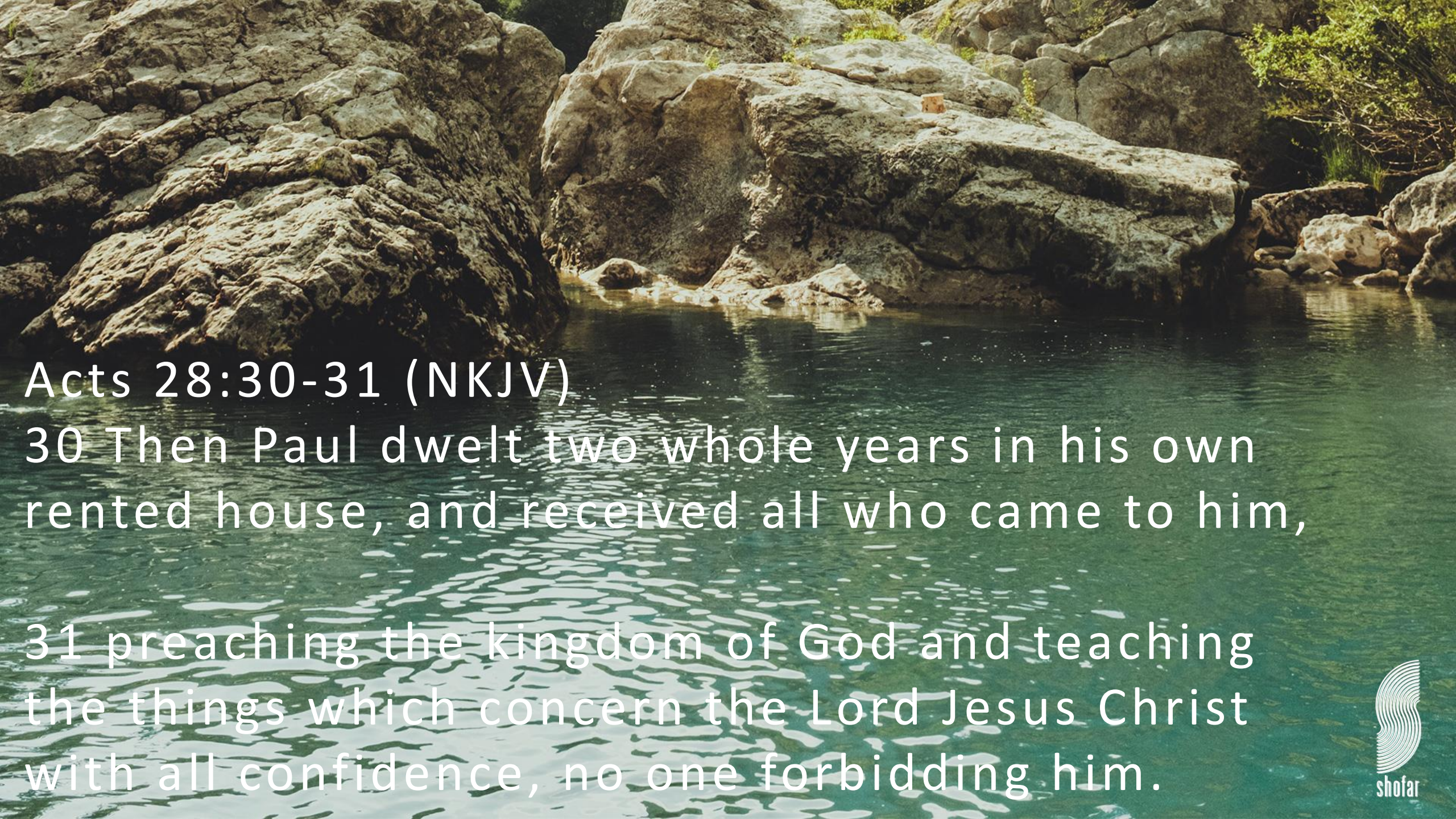


32 Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him
and to all who were in his house.

33 And he took them the same hour of the
night and washed their stripes. And
immediately he and all his family were
baptized.



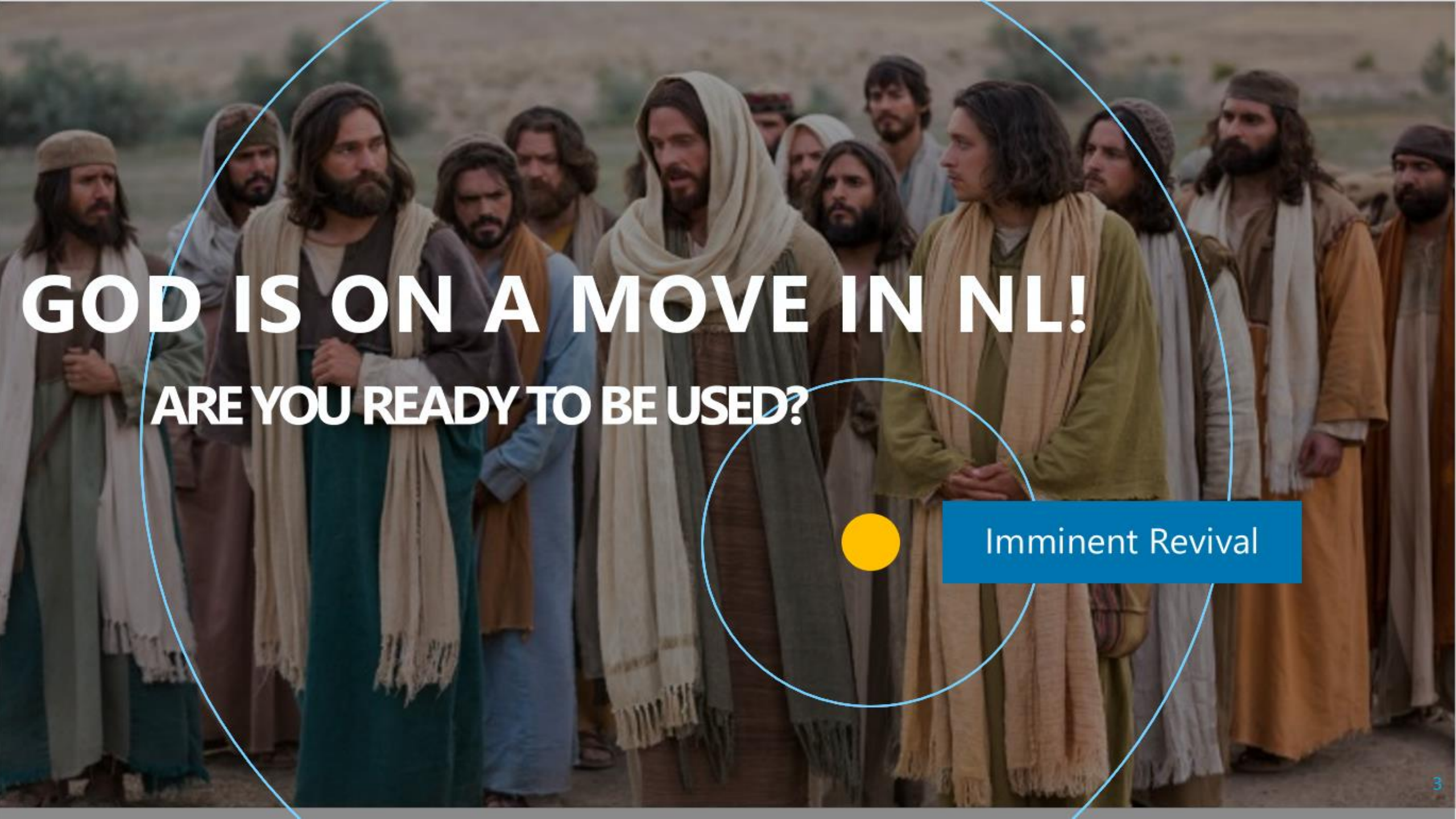
34 Now when he had brought them into his house, he set food before them; and he rejoiced, having believed in God with all his household.



Acts 28:30-31 (NKJV)

30 Then Paul dwelt two whole years in his own rented house, and received all who came to him,

31 preaching the kingdom of God and teaching the things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ with all confidence, no one forbidding him.



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