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God and Time



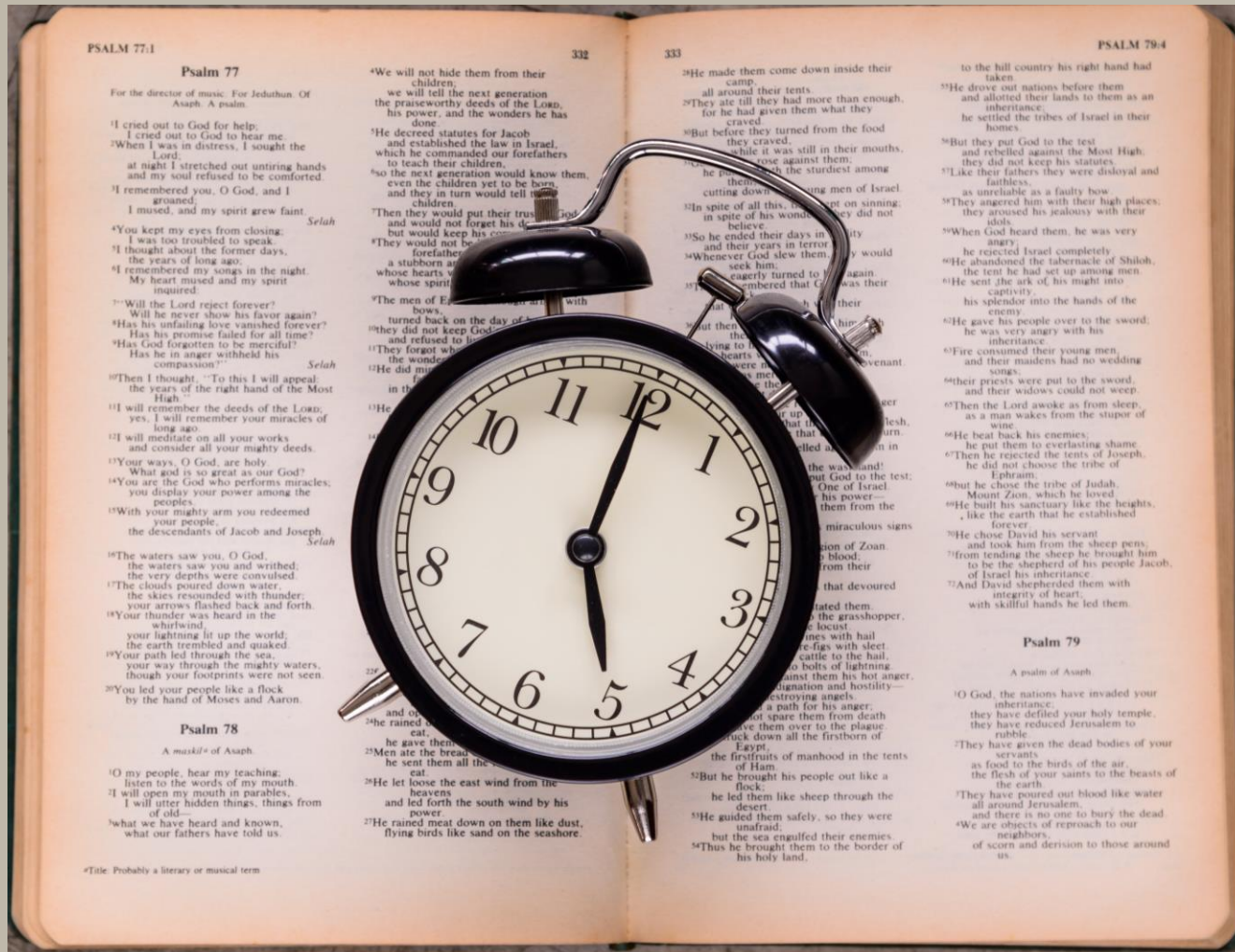
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PSALM 77:1

Psalm 77

For the director of music. For Jeduthun. Of Asaph. A psalm.

¹I cried out to God for help,
I cried out to God to hear me.
²When I was in distress, I sought the Lord,
at night I stretched out untiring hands
and my soul refused to be comforted.
³I remembered you, O God, and I groaned,
I mused, and my spirit grew faint.
⁴You kept my eyes from closing;
I was too troubled to speak.
⁵I thought about the former days,
the years of long ago.
⁶I remembered my songs in the night,
My heart mused and my spirit inquired.
⁷Will the Lord reject forever?
Will he never show his favor again?
⁸Has his unfailing love vanished forever?
Has his promise failed for all time?
⁹Has God forgotten to be merciful?
Has he in anger withheld his compassion?
¹⁰Then I thought, "To this I will appeal:
the years of the right hand of the Most High."
¹¹I will remember the deeds of the Lord;
yes, I will remember your miracles of long ago.
¹²I will meditate on all your works
and consider all your mighty deeds.
¹³Your ways, O God, are holy.
What god is so great as our God?
¹⁴You are the God who performs miracles;
you display your power among the peoples.
¹⁵With your mighty arm you redeemed your people,
the descendants of Jacob and Joseph.
¹⁶The waters saw you, O God,
the waters saw you and writhed;
the very depths were convulsed.
¹⁷The clouds poured down water,
the skies resounded with thunder;
your arrows flashed back and forth.
¹⁸Your thunder was heard in the whirlwind,
your lightning lit up the world;
the earth trembled and quaked.
¹⁹Your path led through the sea,
your way through the mighty waters,
though your footprints were not seen.
²⁰You led your people like a flock
by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

Psalm 78

A *maskil* of Asaph.

¹O my people, hear my teaching;
listen to the words of my mouth.
²I will open my mouth in parables,
I will utter hidden things, things from of old—
³what we have heard and known,
what our fathers have told us.

⁴Title. Probably a literary or musical term.

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⁴We will not hide them from their children;
we will tell the next generation
the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord,
his power, and the wonders he has done.
⁵He decreed statutes for Jacob
and established the law in Israel,
which he commanded our forefathers
to teach their children,
⁶so the next generation would know them,
even the children yet to be born,
and they in turn would tell their children.

⁷Then they would put their trust in God
and would not forget his deeds,
but would keep his commandments,
because they loved him.
⁸They would not be like their forefathers,
whose hearts were stubborn and
whose spirit was rebellious,
like the men of Ephraim,
who turned back on the day of their anger,
because they did not keep God's law,
and refused to listen to his voice;
⁹they forgot what he had done,
the wonders he had performed,
his great power and his strong right hand.

¹⁰He did not choose the tribe of Judah,
nor did he favor the tribe of Benjamin,
because he chose the tribe of Joseph,
his beloved,
because he chose the tribe of Ephraim,
because he chose David his servant
and took him from the sheep pens,
from tending the sheep he brought him
to be the shepherd of his people Jacob,
of Israel his inheritance.

¹¹And David shepherded them with integrity of heart,
with skillful hands he led them
to the hill country;
his right hand had taken them,
and allotted their lands to them as an inheritance,
he settled the tribes of Israel in their homes.

¹²But they put God to the test
and rebelled against the Most High;
they did not keep his statutes,
they despised his word,
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¹³So he brought his people out like a flock,
he led them like sheep through the desert.
¹⁴He guided them safely, so they were unafraid,
but the sea engulfed their enemies,
and thus he brought them to the border of his holy land.

¹⁵He made them come down inside their camp,
all around their tents,
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for he had given them what they craved.
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PSALM 79:4

¹O God, the nations have invaded your inheritance,
they have defiled your holy temple,
they have reduced Jerusalem to rubble.
²They have given the dead bodies of your servants
as food to the birds of the air,
the flesh of your saints to the beasts of the earth.
³They have poured out blood like water
all around Jerusalem,
and there is no one to bury the dead.
⁴We are objects of reproach to our neighbors,
of scorn and derision to those around us.

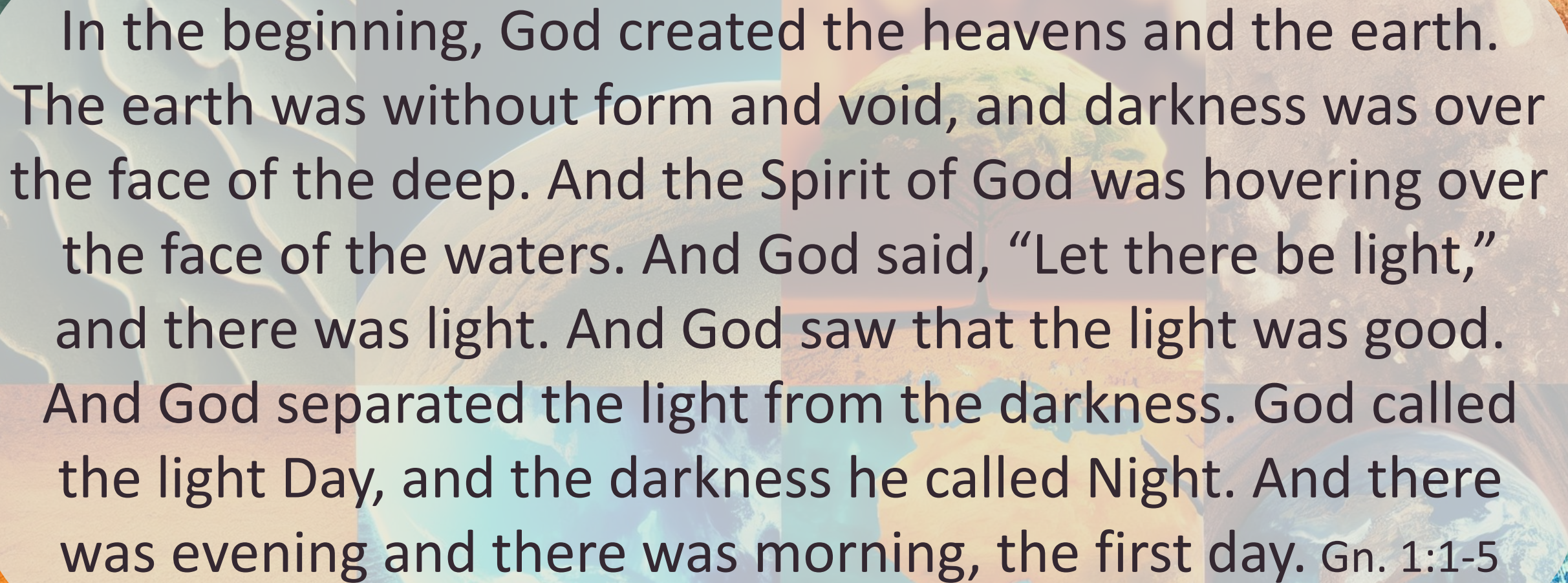
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God created time



In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. Gn. 1:1-5

People are under time;
God is beyond time



But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. 2 Pet. 3:8



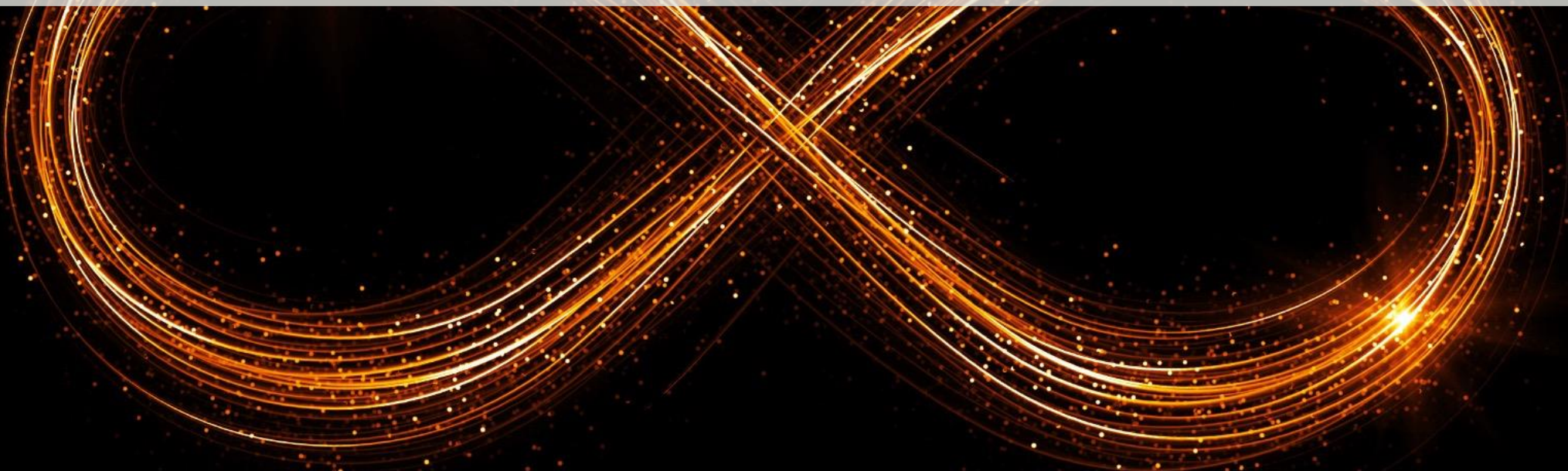
God doesn't change



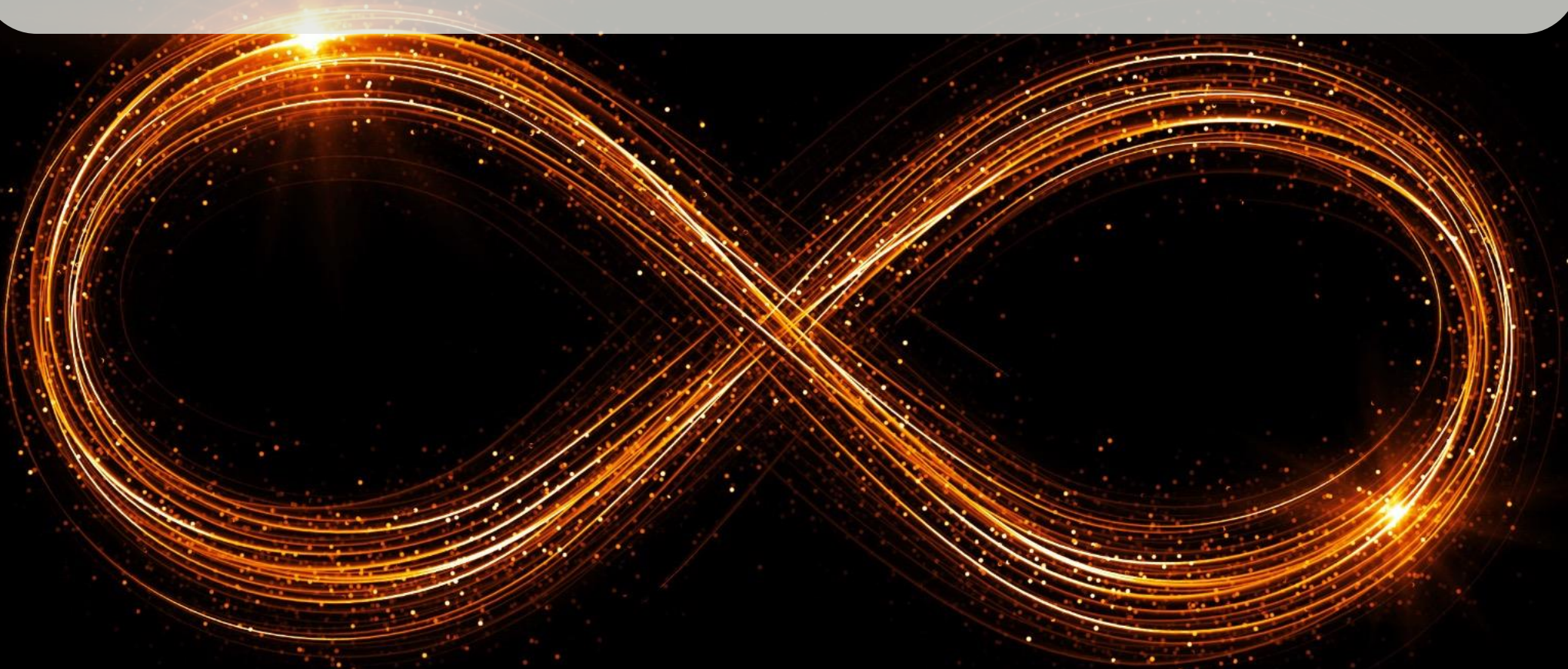
For I the LORD do not change Mal. 3:6



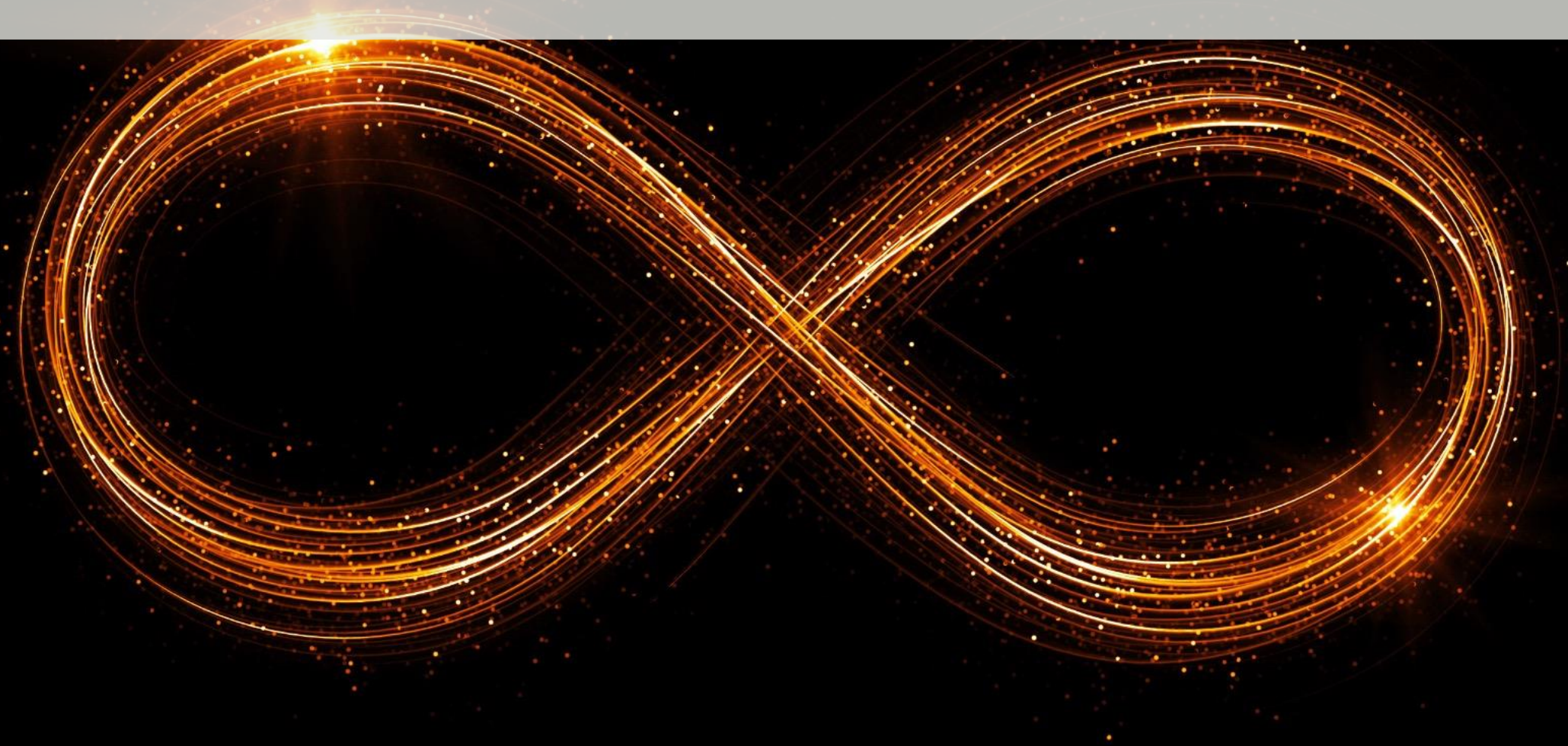
Of old you laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish, but you will remain; they will all wear out like a garment. You will change them like a robe, and they will pass away, but you are the same, and your years have no end. Ps. 102:25-27



Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever
you had formed the earth and the world, from
everlasting to everlasting you are God. Ps. 90:2



Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. Jms. 1:17



Jesus Christ is the same yesterday
and today and forever. Heb. 13:8



I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.” Rev. 1:8





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People exist in time





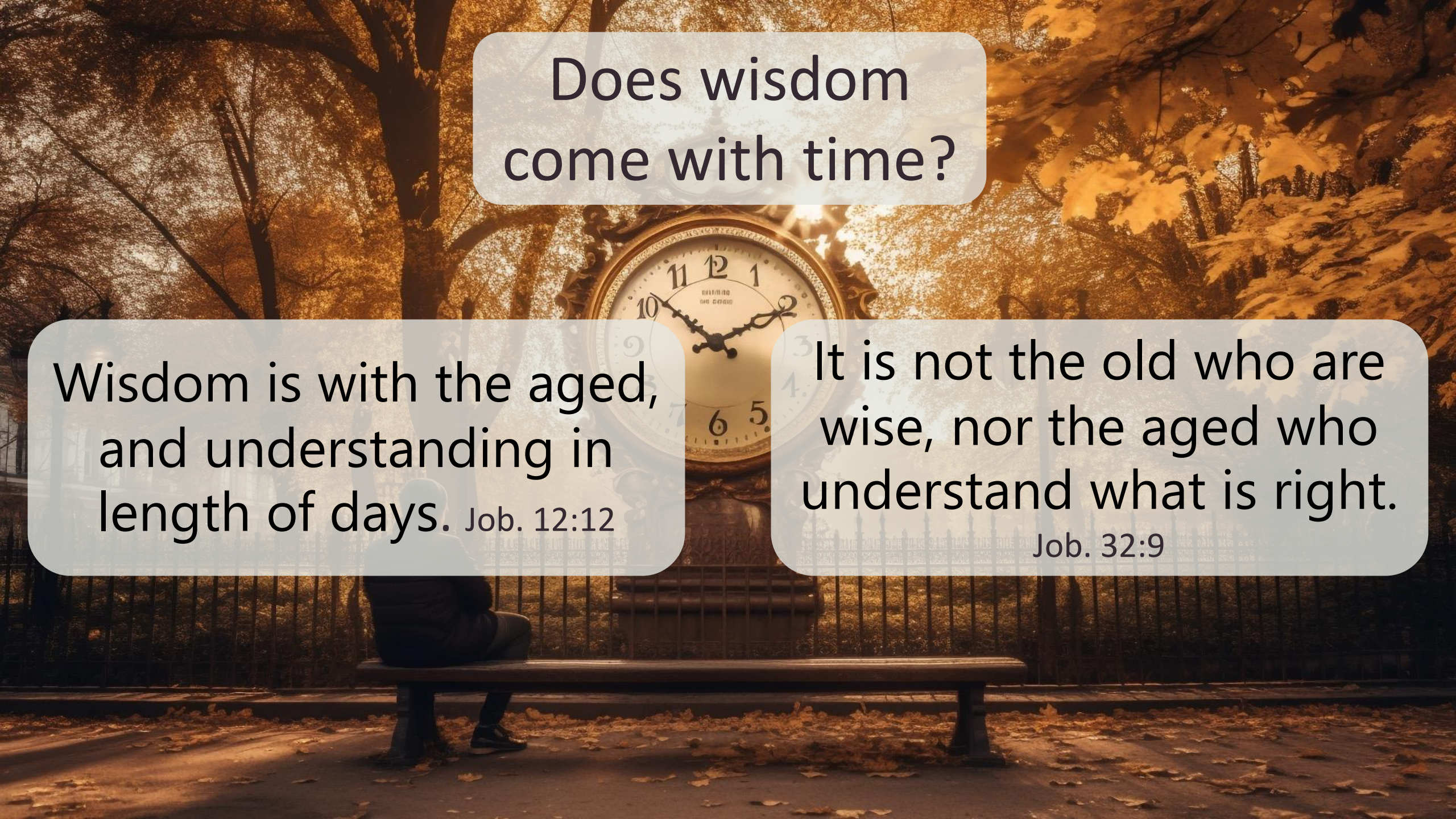






Does wisdom
come with time?



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Wisdom is with the aged,
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length of days. Job. 12:12

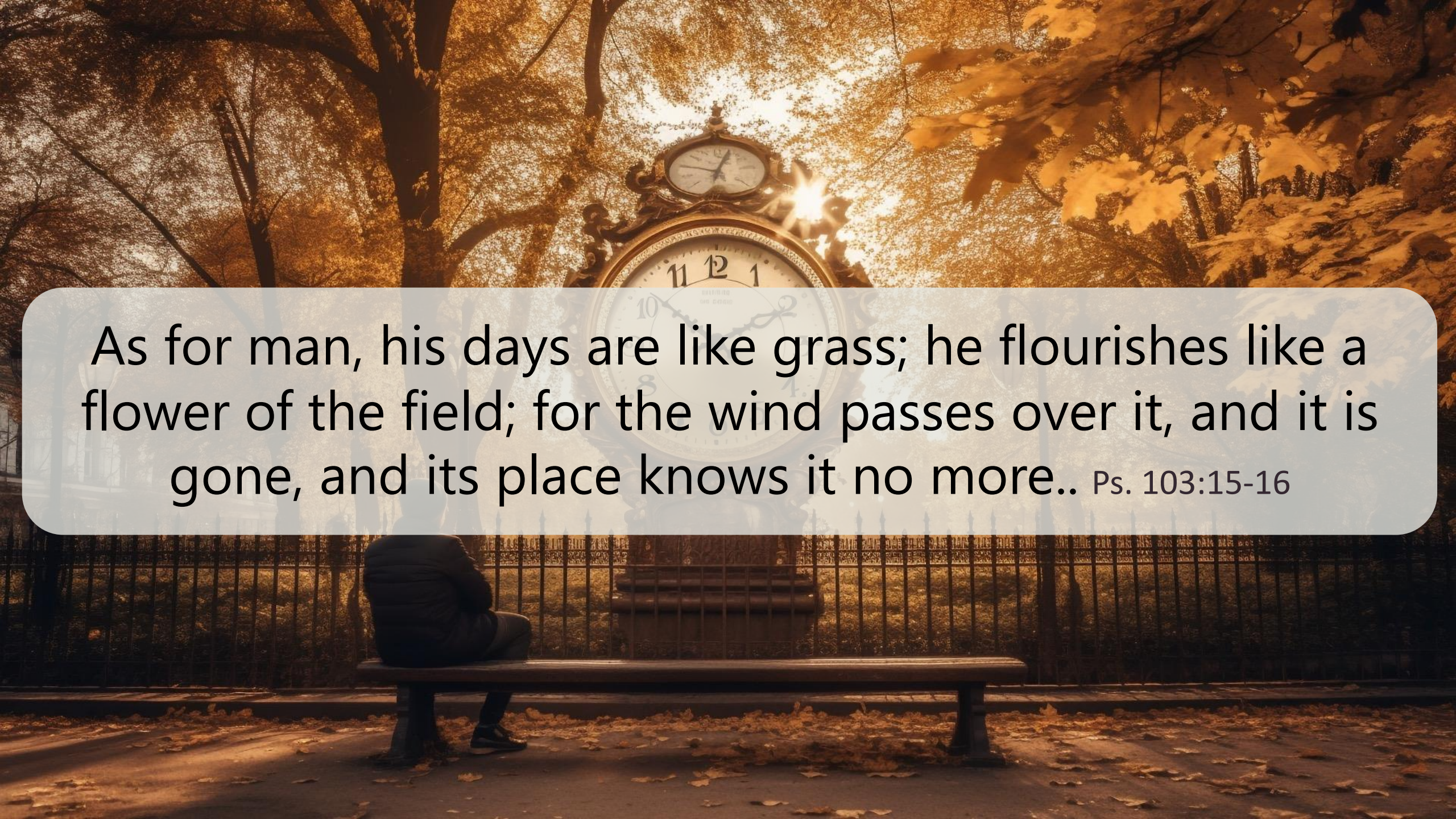
It is not the old who are
wise, nor the aged who
understand what is right.

Job. 32:9

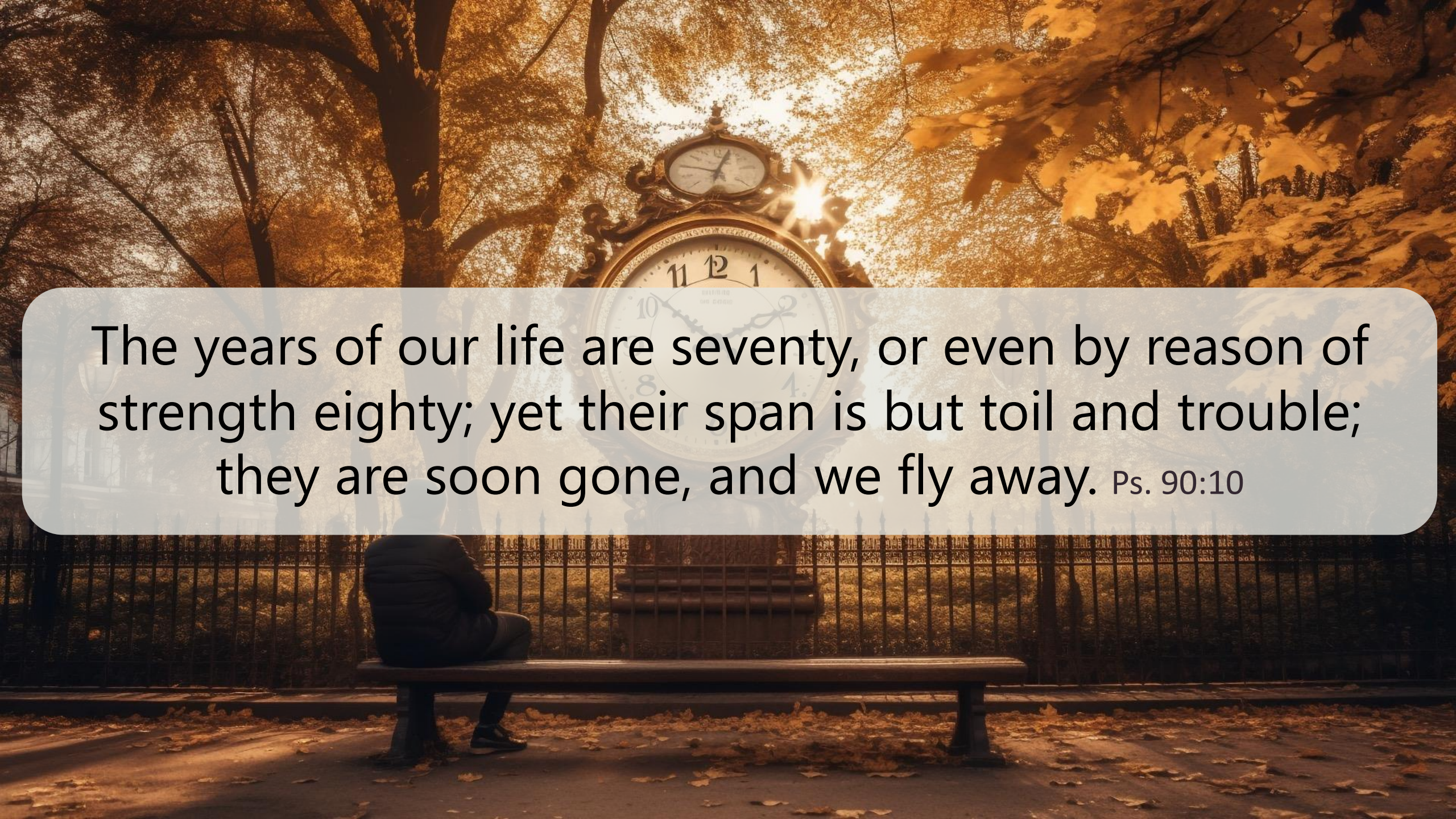


Time is fleeting



A person is sitting on a wooden bench in a park, looking towards a large, ornate clock tower. The scene is bathed in warm, golden light, suggesting late afternoon or early morning. The trees are covered in autumn foliage, and the ground is covered with fallen leaves. The clock tower has a large face with Roman numerals and a smaller clock above it. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and contemplative.

As for man, his days are like grass; he flourishes like a flower of the field; for the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place knows it no more.. Ps. 103:15-16

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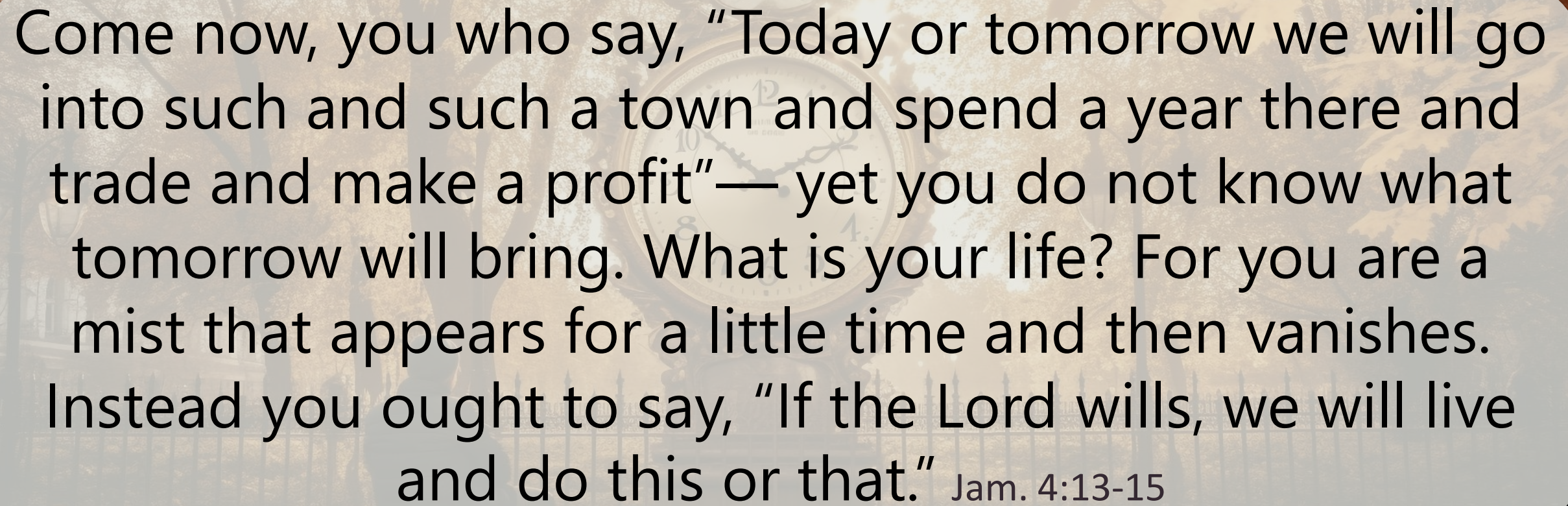
The years of our life are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty; yet their span is but toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away. Ps. 90:10



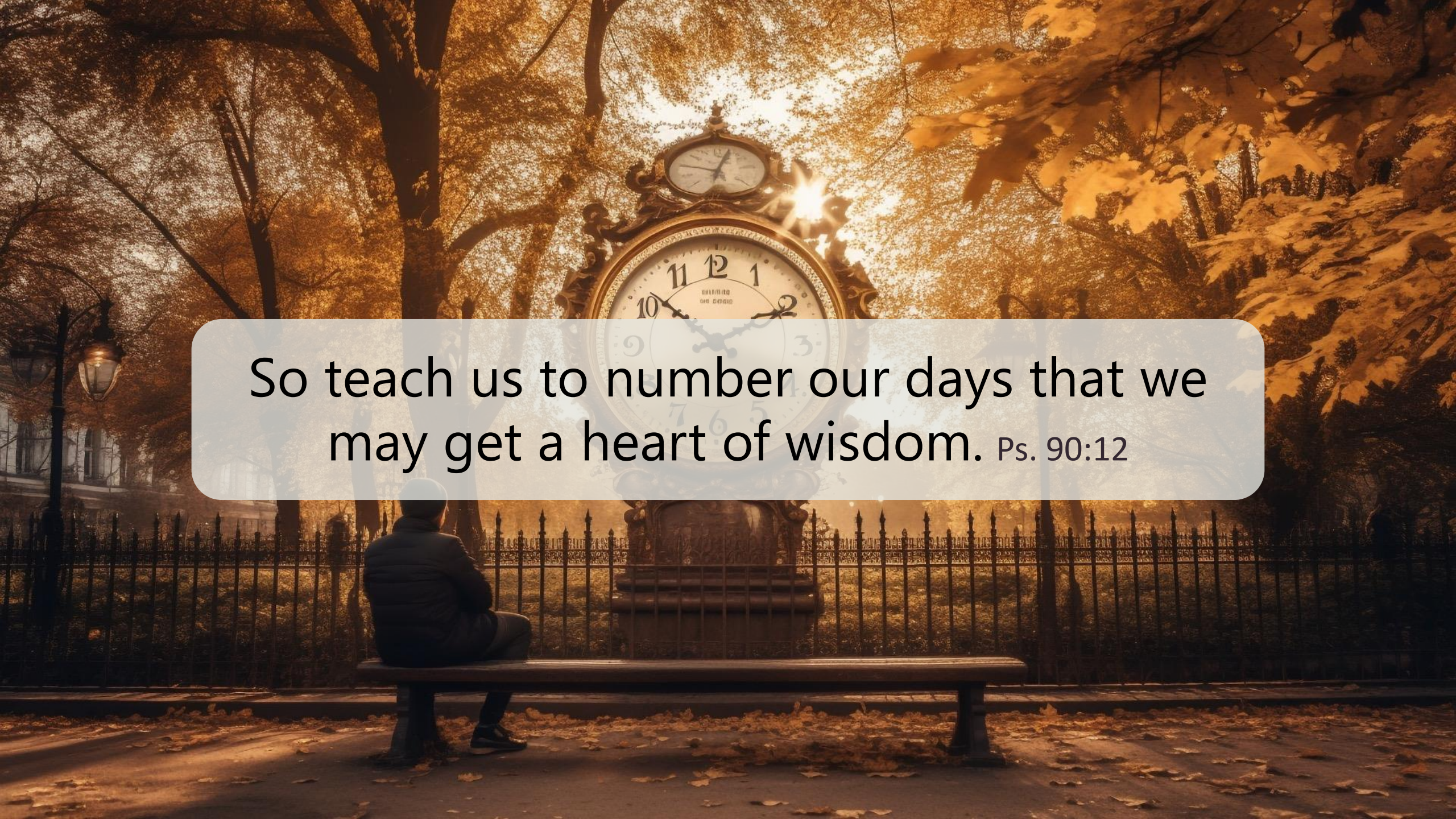
Time should affect
how we live





A background image of a park with autumn trees and a clock tower. The scene is bathed in warm, golden light, suggesting late afternoon or early morning. The trees have vibrant orange and yellow leaves. In the center, a clock tower is visible through the branches. The ground is covered with fallen leaves, and a person's legs are visible sitting on a bench in the foreground.

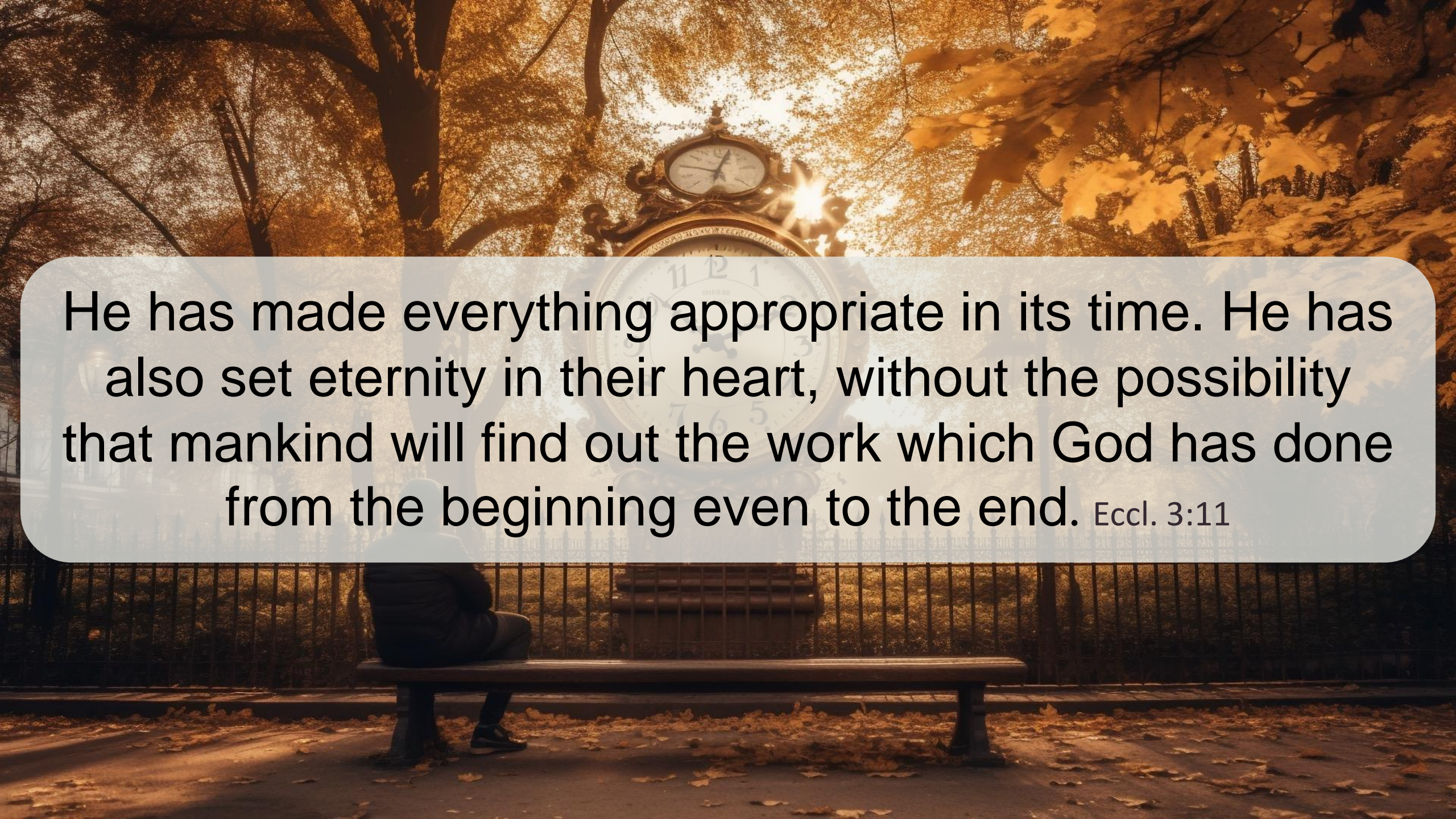
Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit"—yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes. Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that." Jam. 4:13-15



So teach us to number our days that we
may get a heart of wisdom. Ps. 90:12

We have a longing
for eternity



A person is sitting on a wooden bench in a park, looking towards a large, ornate clock tower. The scene is bathed in warm, golden light, suggesting late afternoon or early morning. The trees are filled with vibrant autumn foliage in shades of orange, yellow, and red. The ground is covered with fallen leaves. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and contemplative.

He has made everything appropriate in its time. He has also set eternity in their heart, without the possibility that mankind will find out the work which God has done from the beginning even to the end. Eccl. 3:11



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Age of Death

Age to Come

Age of Eden

A lush tropical garden with various plants and a waterfall. The scene is filled with vibrant green foliage, including palm trees, banana leaves, and other tropical plants. In the foreground, there are large, smooth rocks and a small waterfall cascading over them. The background is a dense wall of greenery, creating a sense of a deep, verdant forest.

And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed. And out of the ground the LORD God made to spring up every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was in the midst of the garden... Gen.

2:8-9

Age of Eden

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, “You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.” Gen. 2:15-17

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Age of Death

By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread,
till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken;
for you are dust, and to dust you shall return. Gen. 3:19

Age of Death

Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him. John 3:36

Age of Death

Then Peter said, Lo, we have left all, and followed thee. And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children, for the kingdom of God's sake, Who shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come life everlasting. Lk. 18:28-30

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Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? He said unto

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them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn. Mt. 13:24-30

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He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man; The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one; The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels. As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world.

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The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear. Mt. 13:37-43

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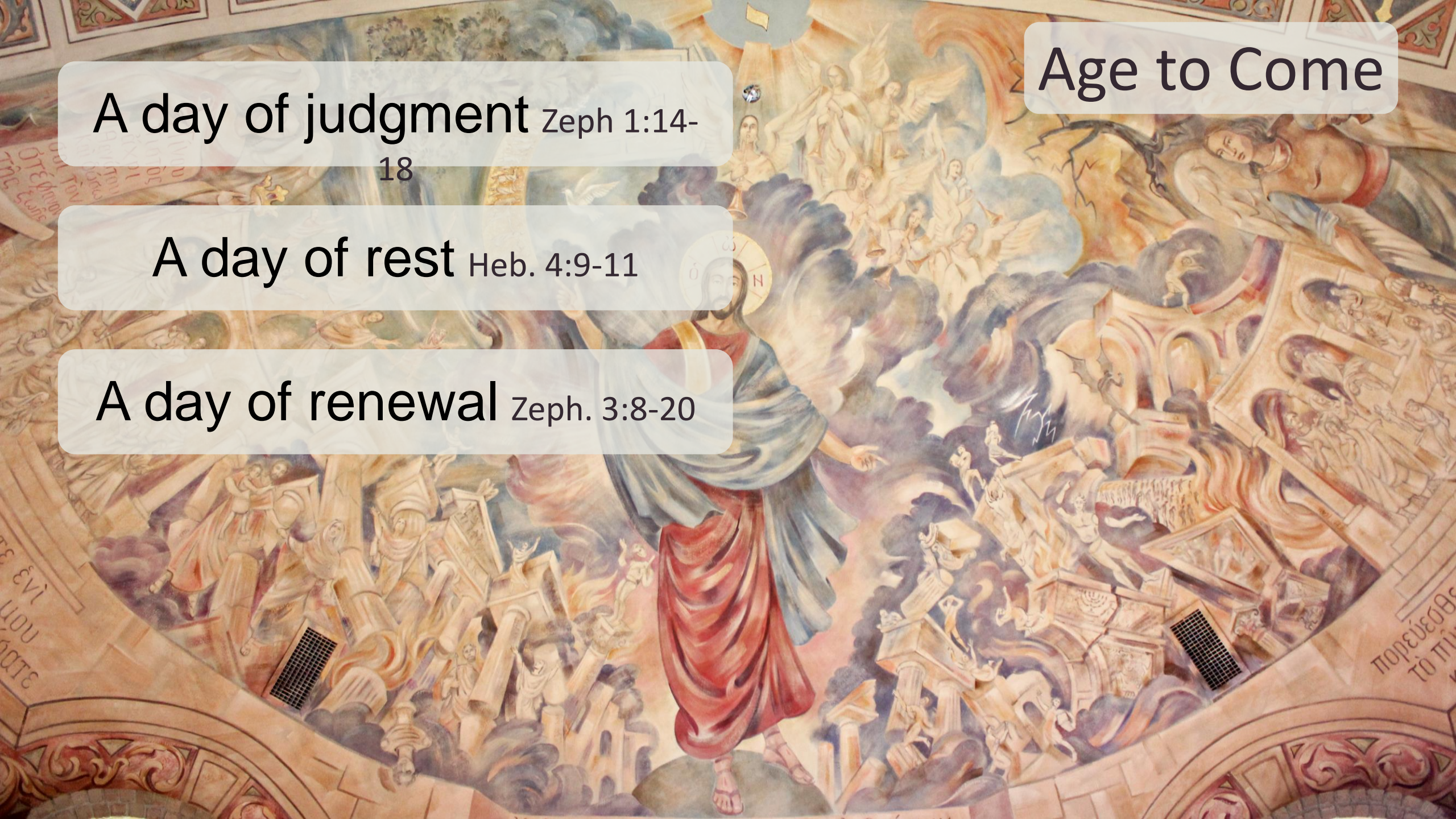


Age to Come

A day of judgment Zeph 1:14-18

A day of rest Heb. 4:9-11

A day of renewal Zeph. 3:8-20



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Transition is key



Points For Home



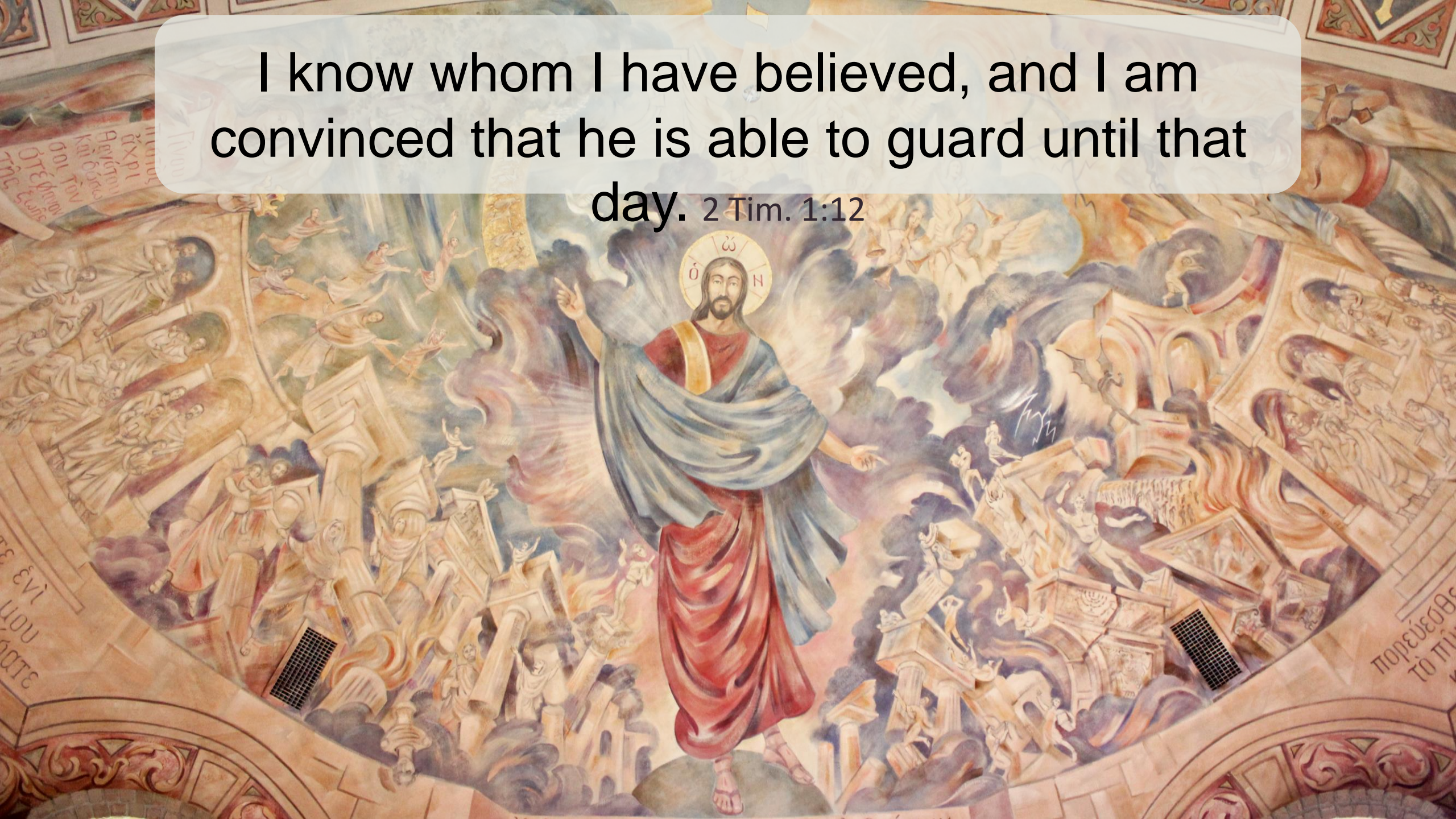
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To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God,
be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen. 1 Tim. 1:17

The Promise

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life . Jn. 3:16

I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that day. 2 Tim. 1:12



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