Better Bible Study



Session 4: A Hermeneutical Approach





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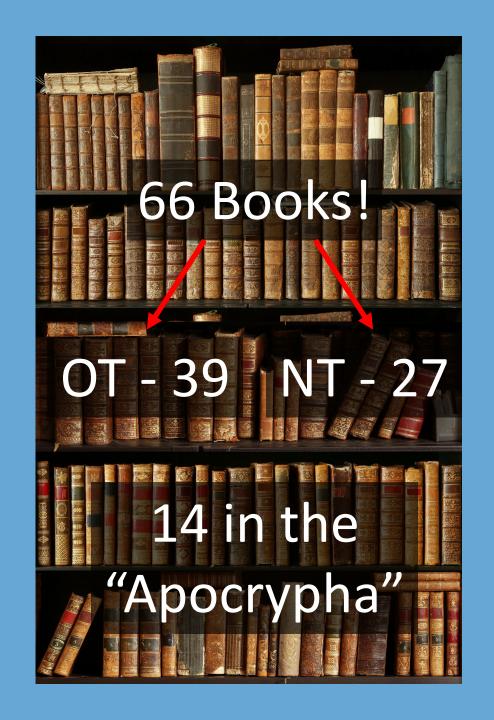
Think of the Biblical themes love story"?

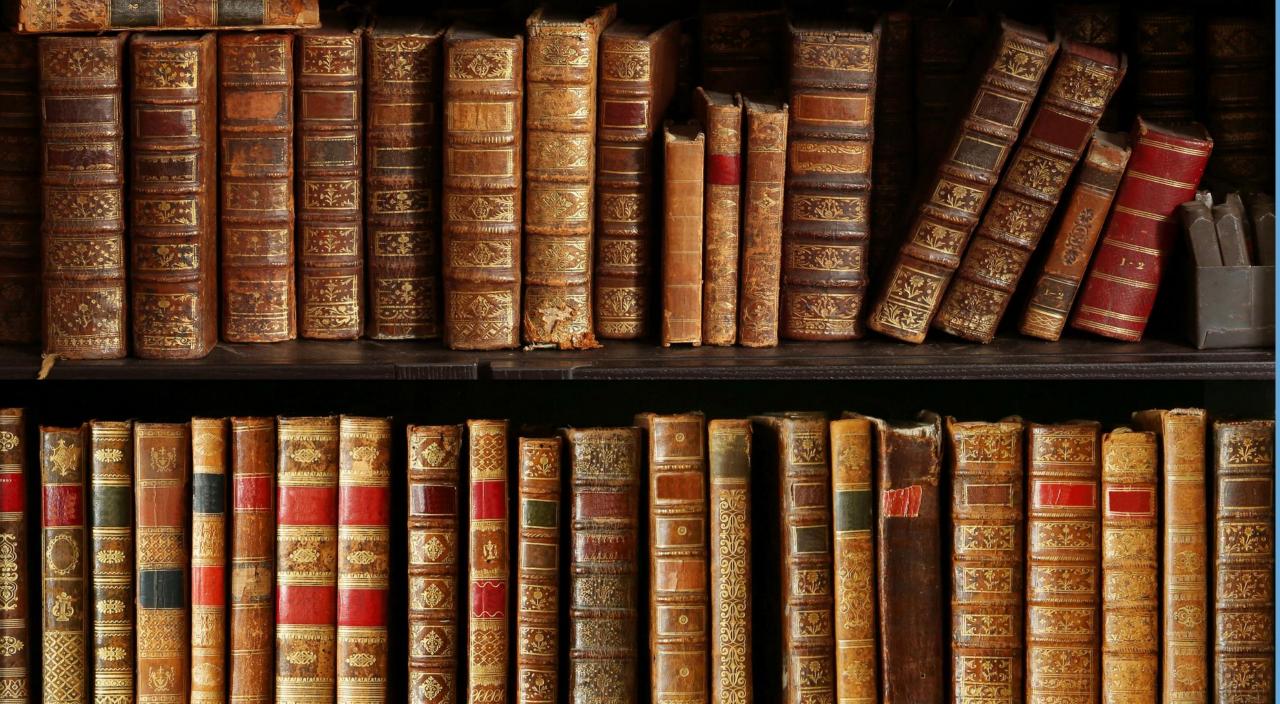
of "giving"?

What is the Bible?



A library!





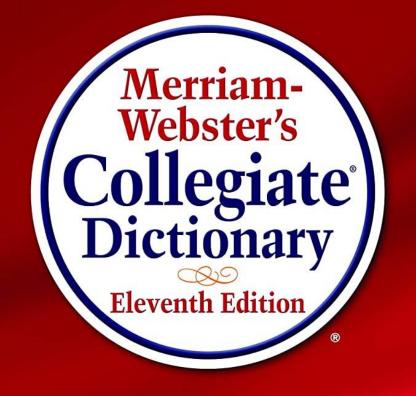


Themes and narratives





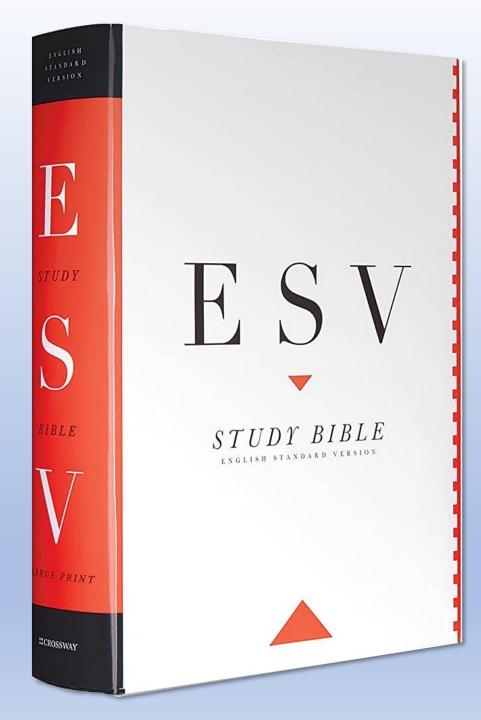
America's Best-Selling Dictionary



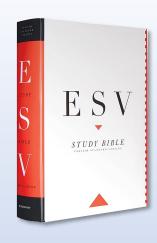
Hermeneutic

You can make better sense of the parts of the Bible by understanding the major themes and storylines of the whole Bible

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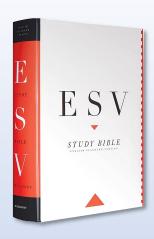
We are probing major storylines and themes in the Bible



1 The love story narrative

2 The theme of God as a giver

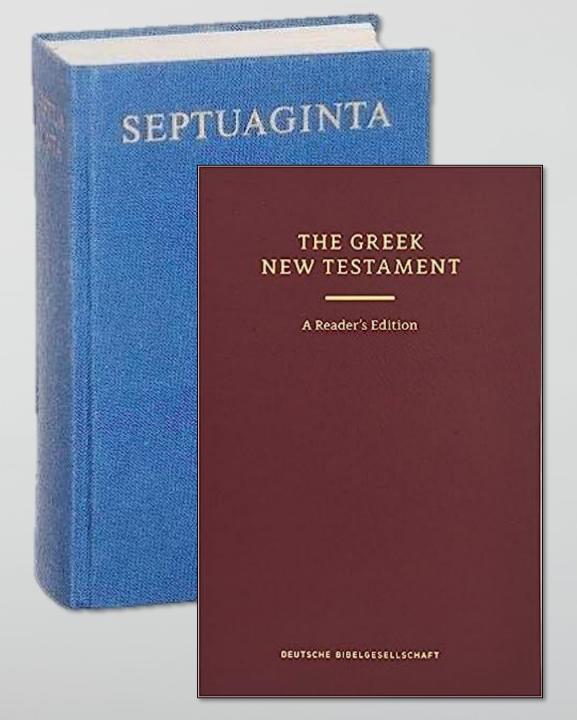
3 Points for Home



1 The love story narrative



What is love?



We have plenty of Greek words for love







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One main Hebrew word for love



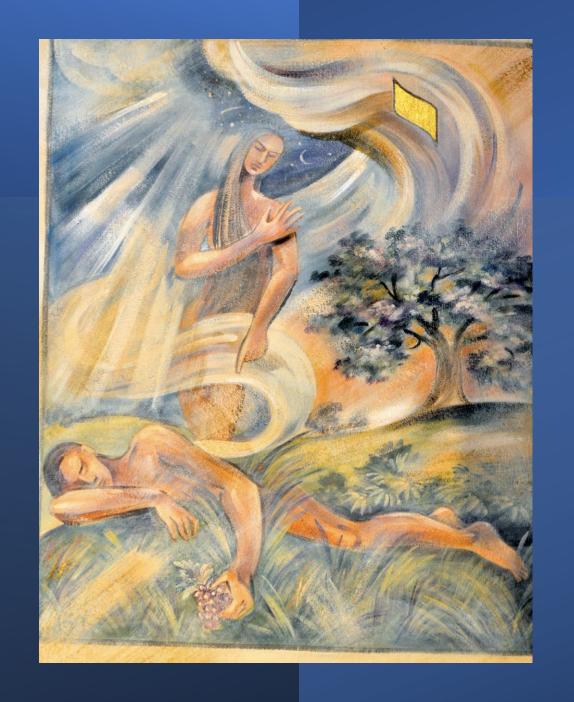


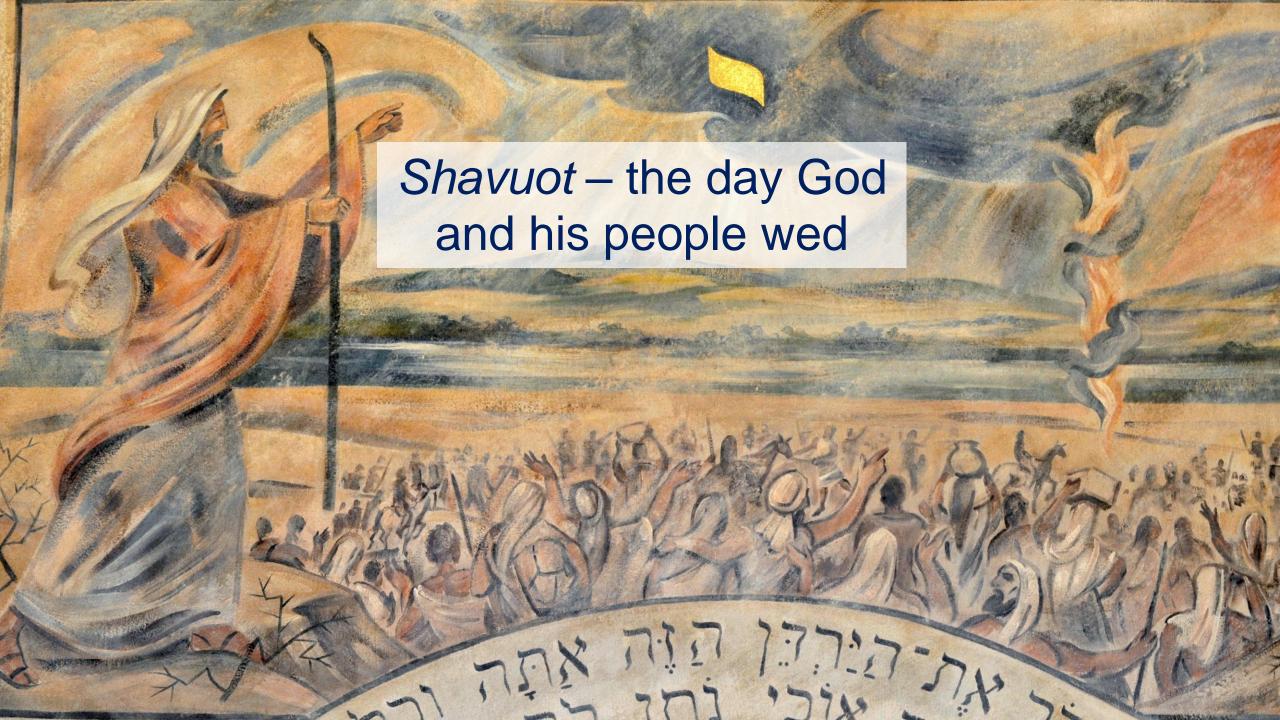


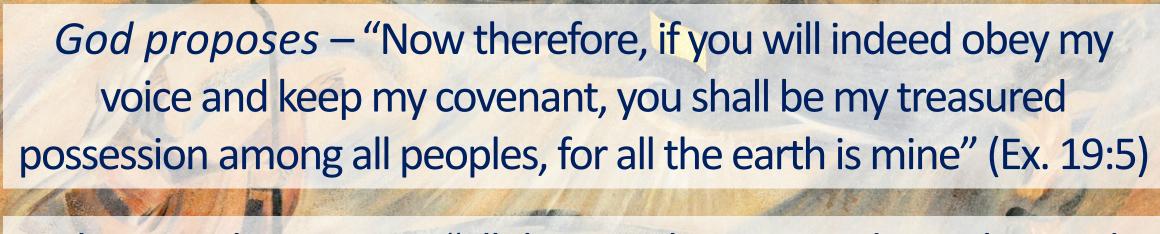


Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

Gen. 2:24







The people accept – "All the people answered together and said, 'All that the LORD has spoken we will do." (Ex. 19:8)

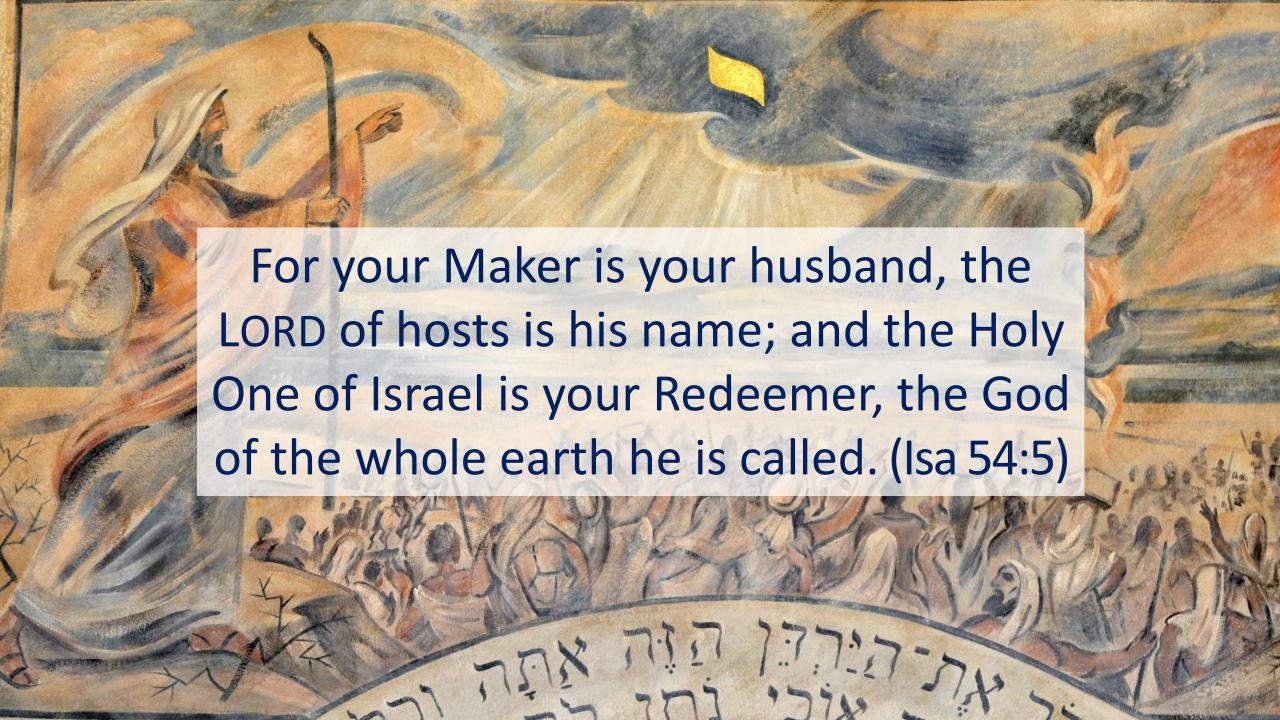
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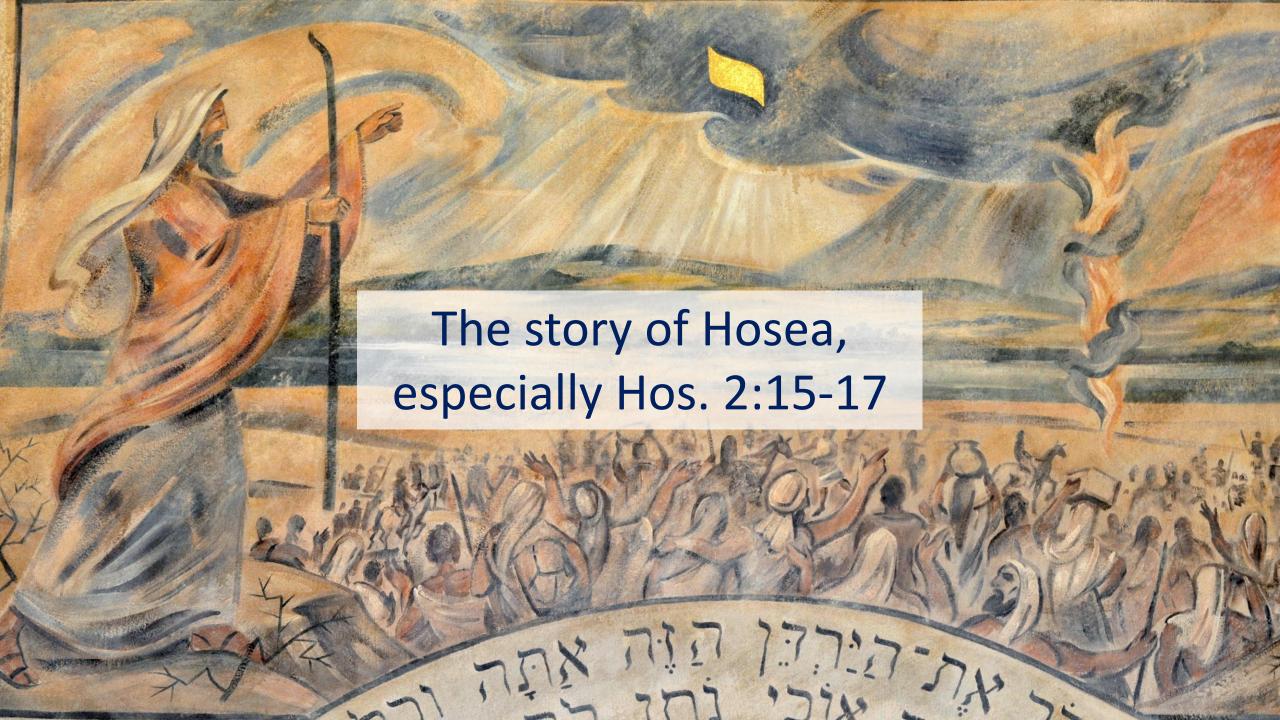
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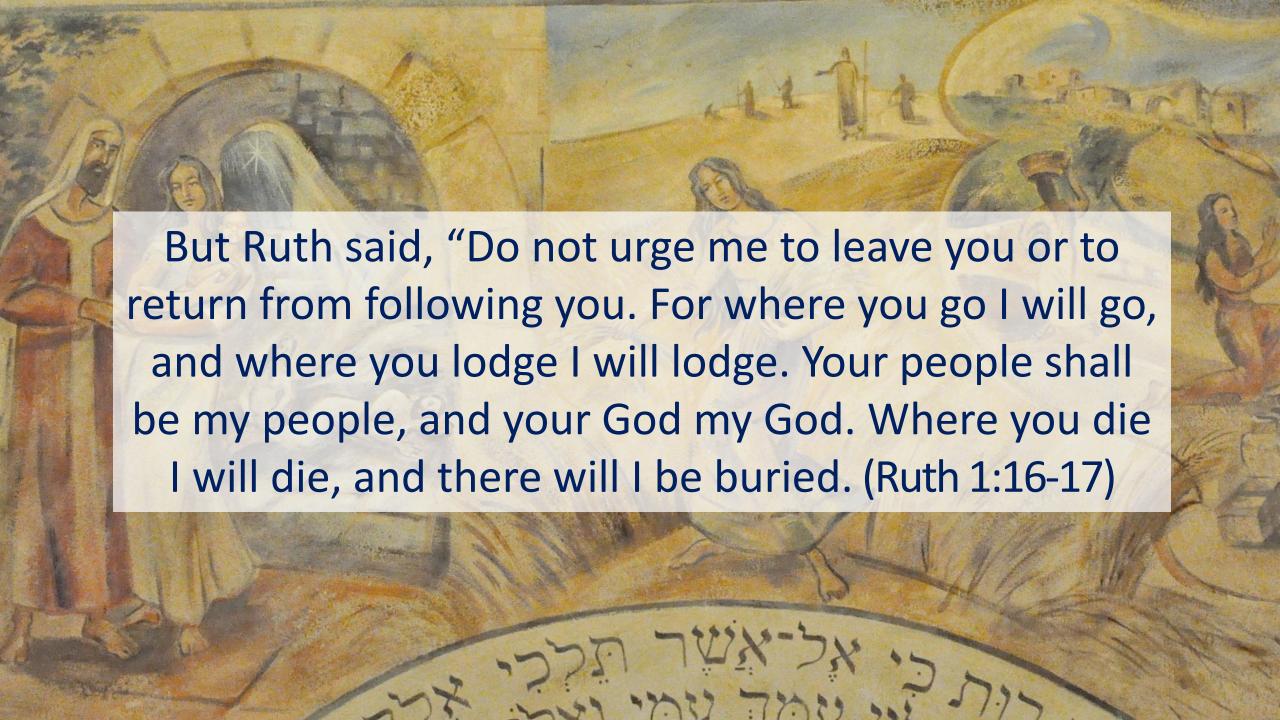
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The ketubah (marriage contract) – "The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." (Ex. 24:12)



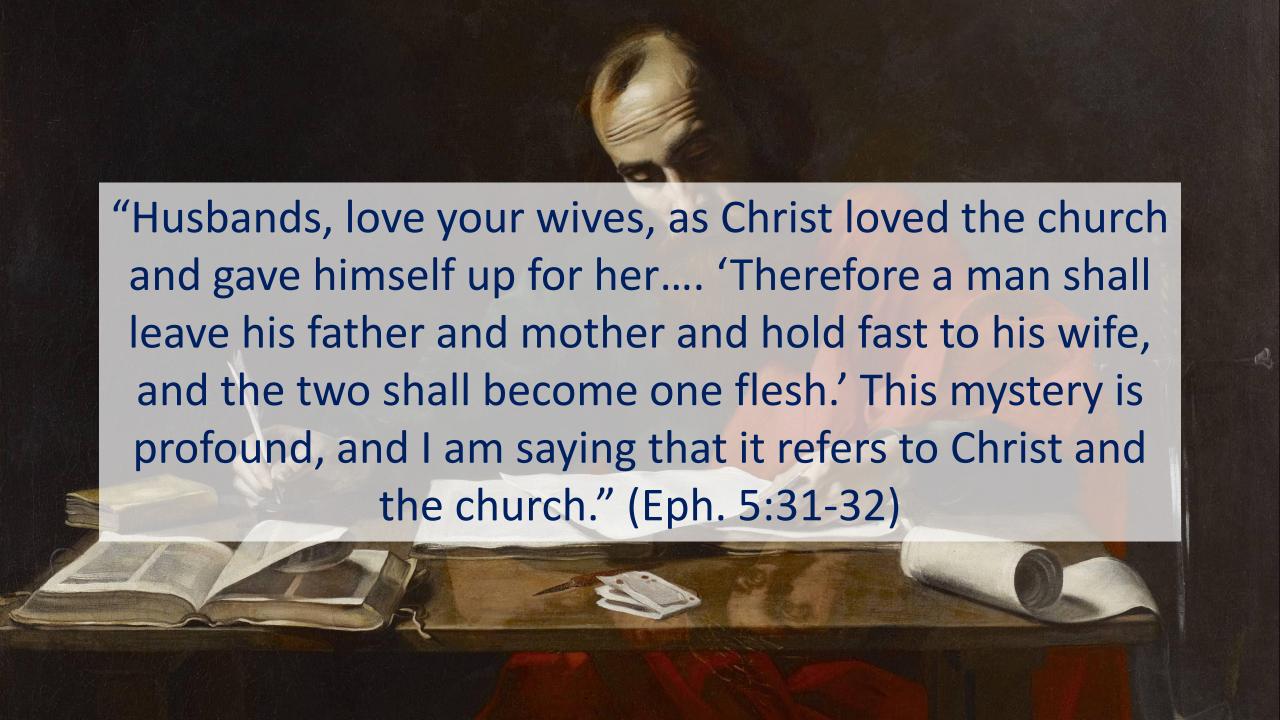




The Song of Songs

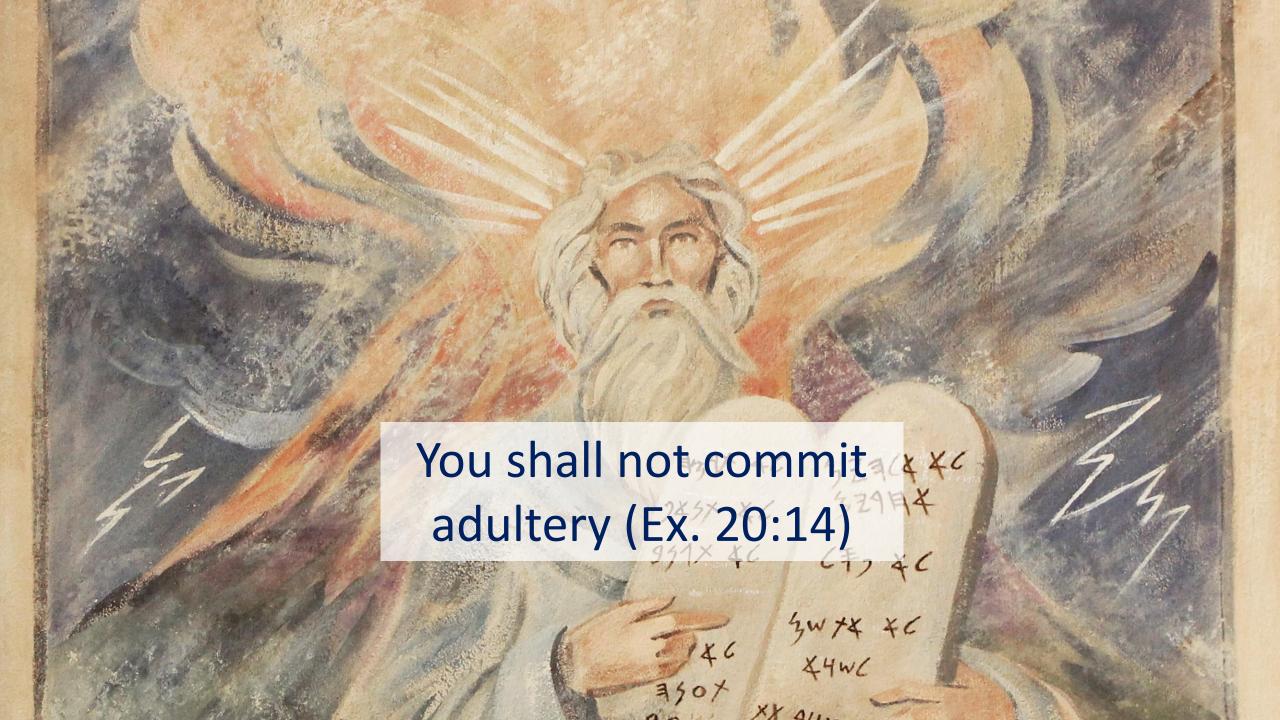




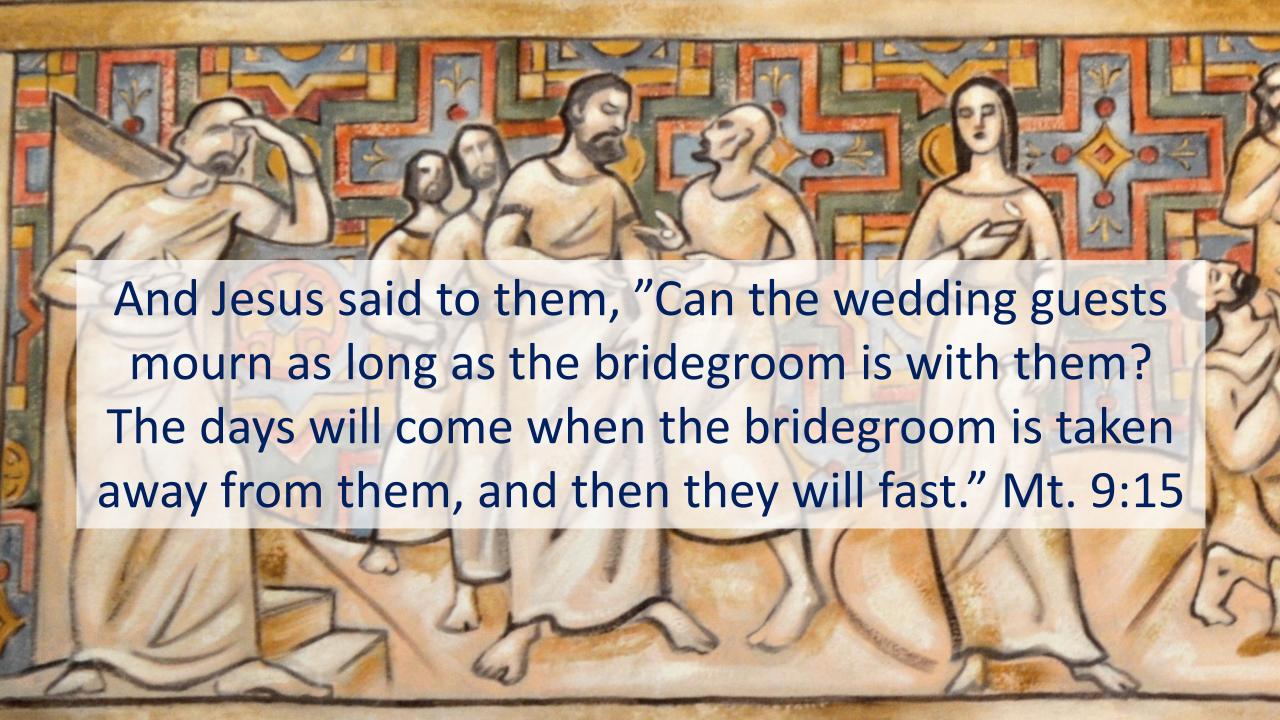








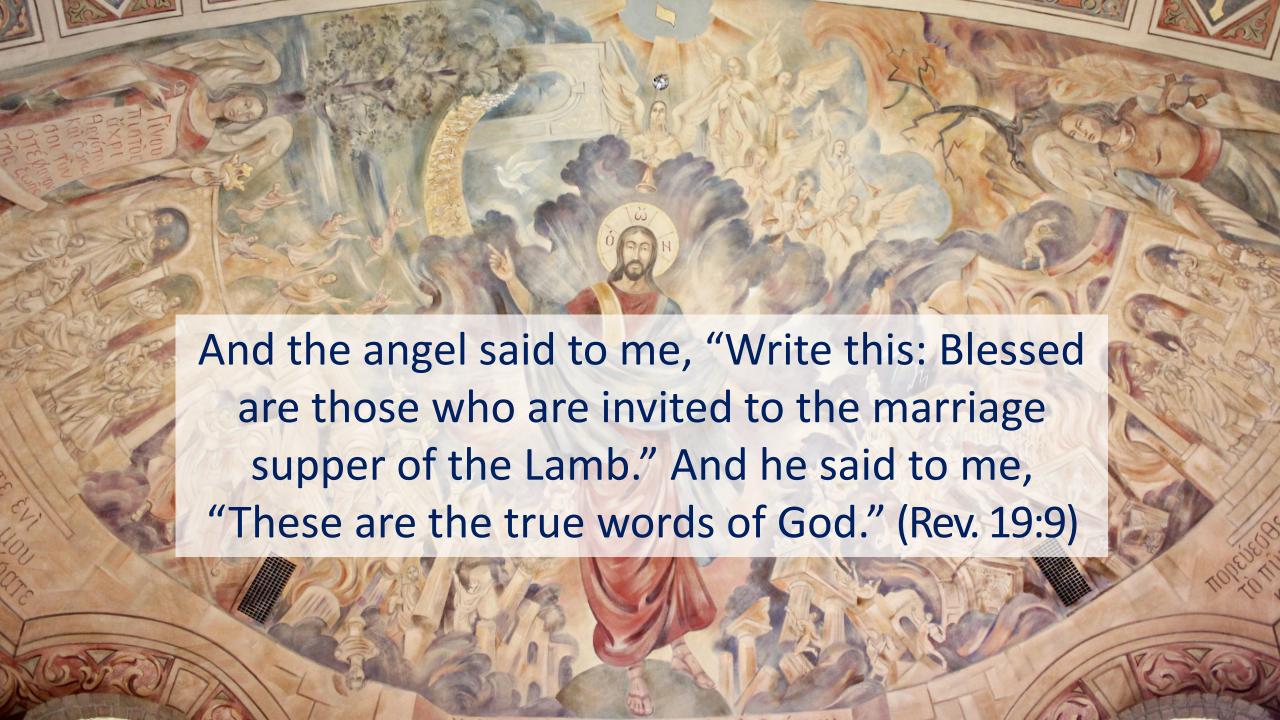






Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom." (Mt. 26:26-29)







1 The love story narrative

2 The theme of God as a giver



Garden of Eden

Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you. And as I gave you the green plants, I give you everything. (Gn. 9:15)



Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land. (Gn. 12:7)



The law as a tutor (Gal. 3:24)

The Law (Ex. 24:12)

And he said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." (Ex. 33:14)

Peace (Num. 6:26)

Strength (Ps. 29:11)

Attention (Ps. 5:1)

God the giver:

Deliverance (Ps. 72:4)

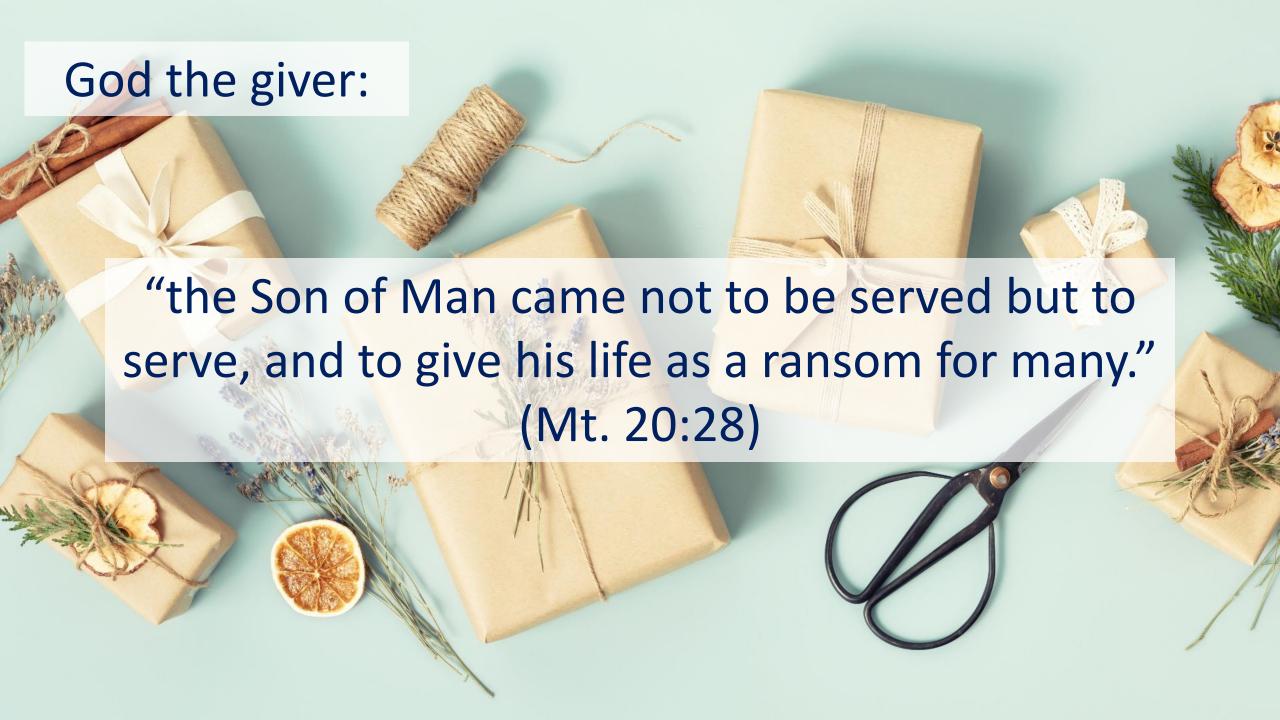
Delight yourself in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart (Ps. 37:4)

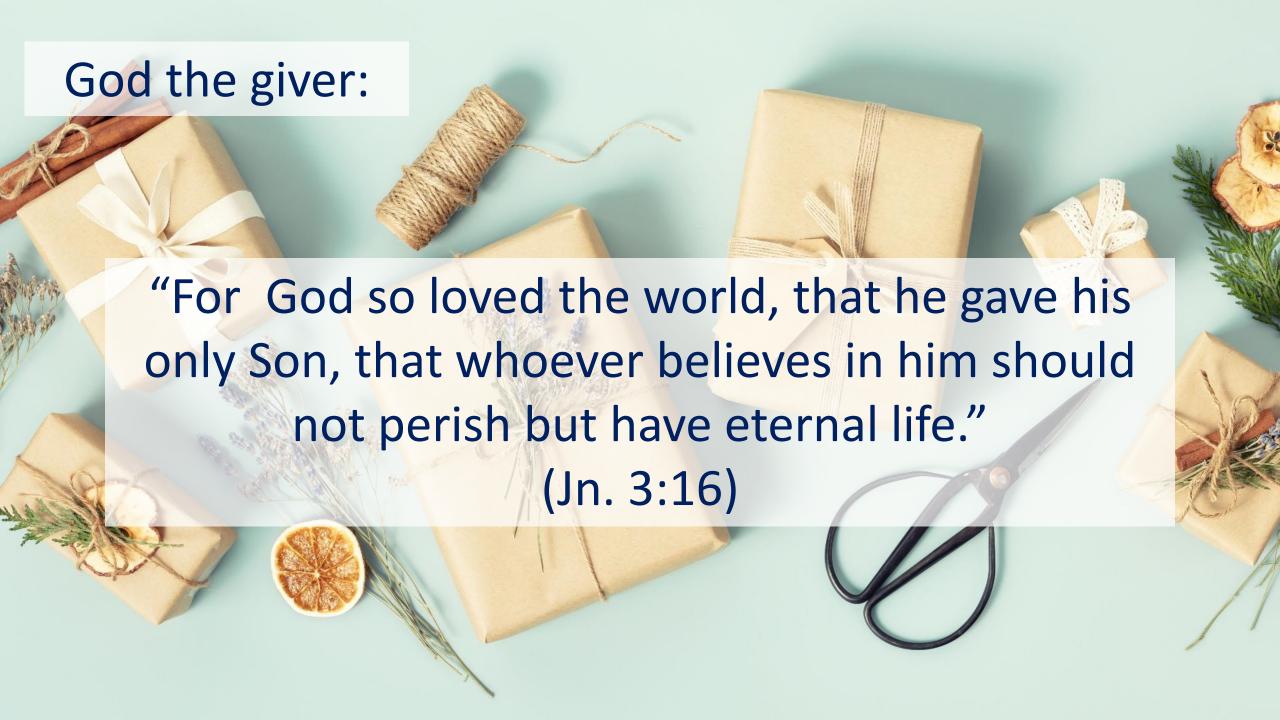
Understanding (Ps. 119:34)

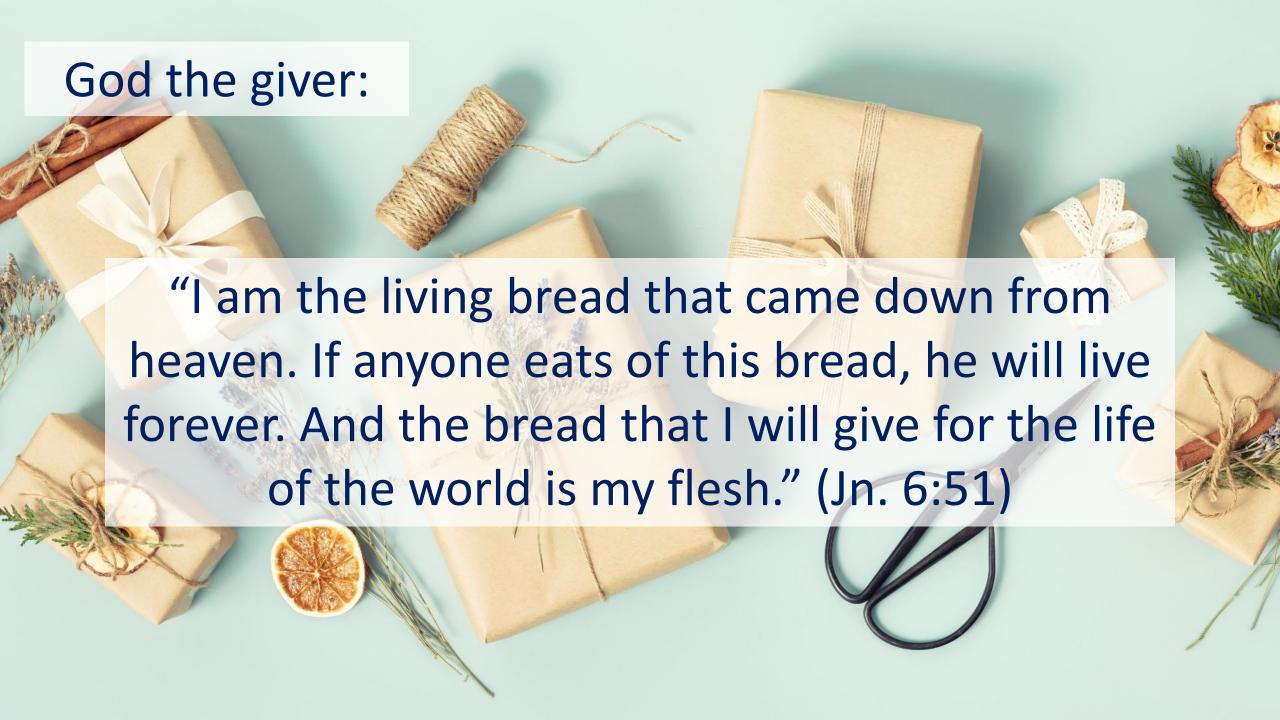
Children (Ps. 127:3)

Scripture (Rm. 3:2)

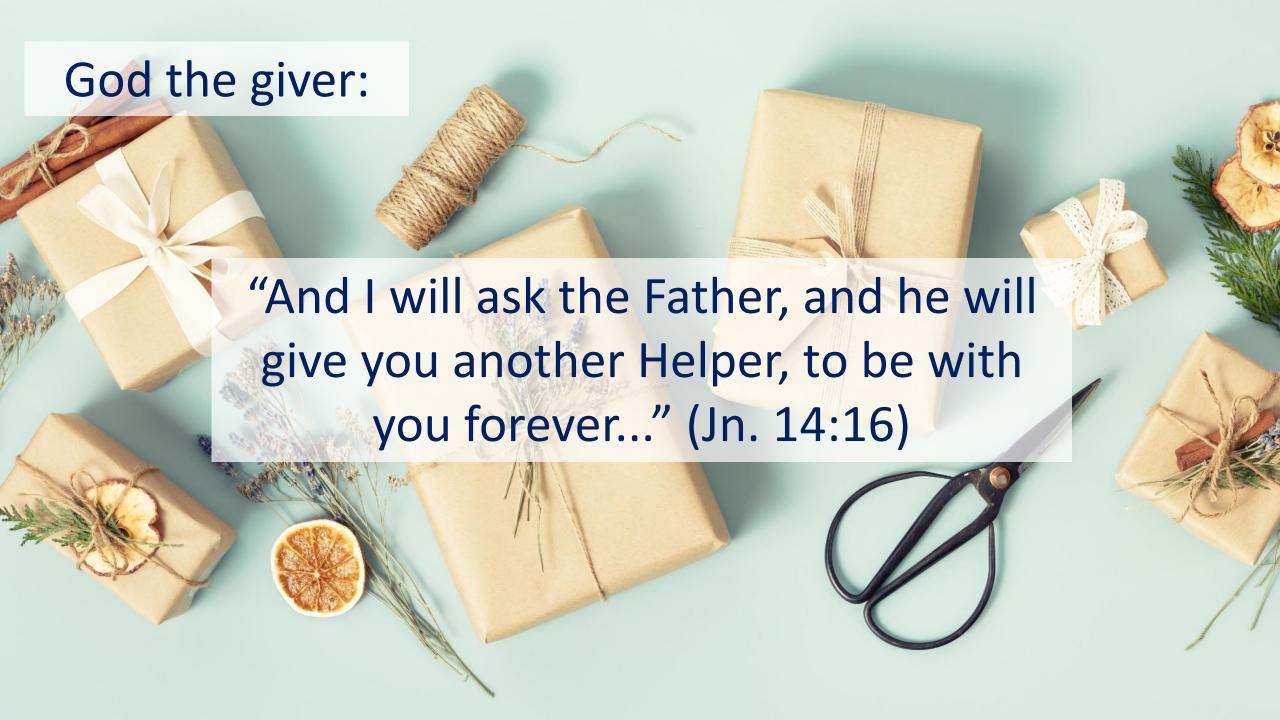
"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." (Mt.11:28)

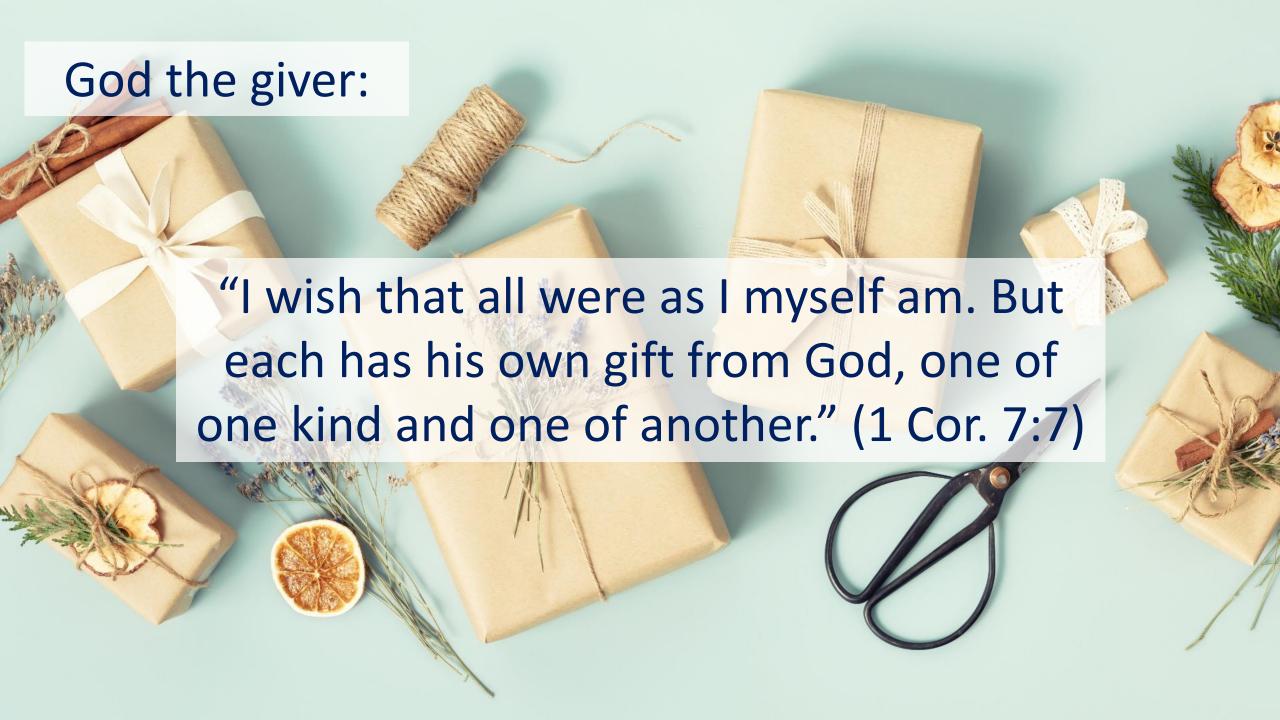


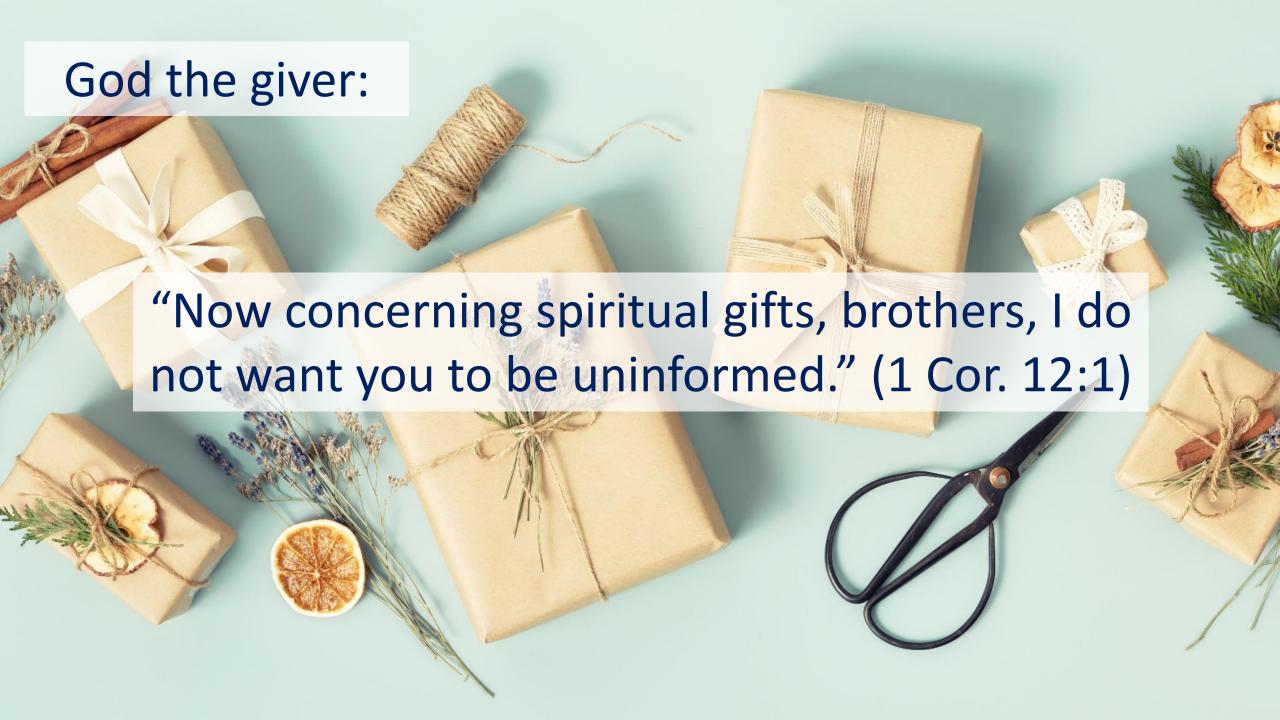




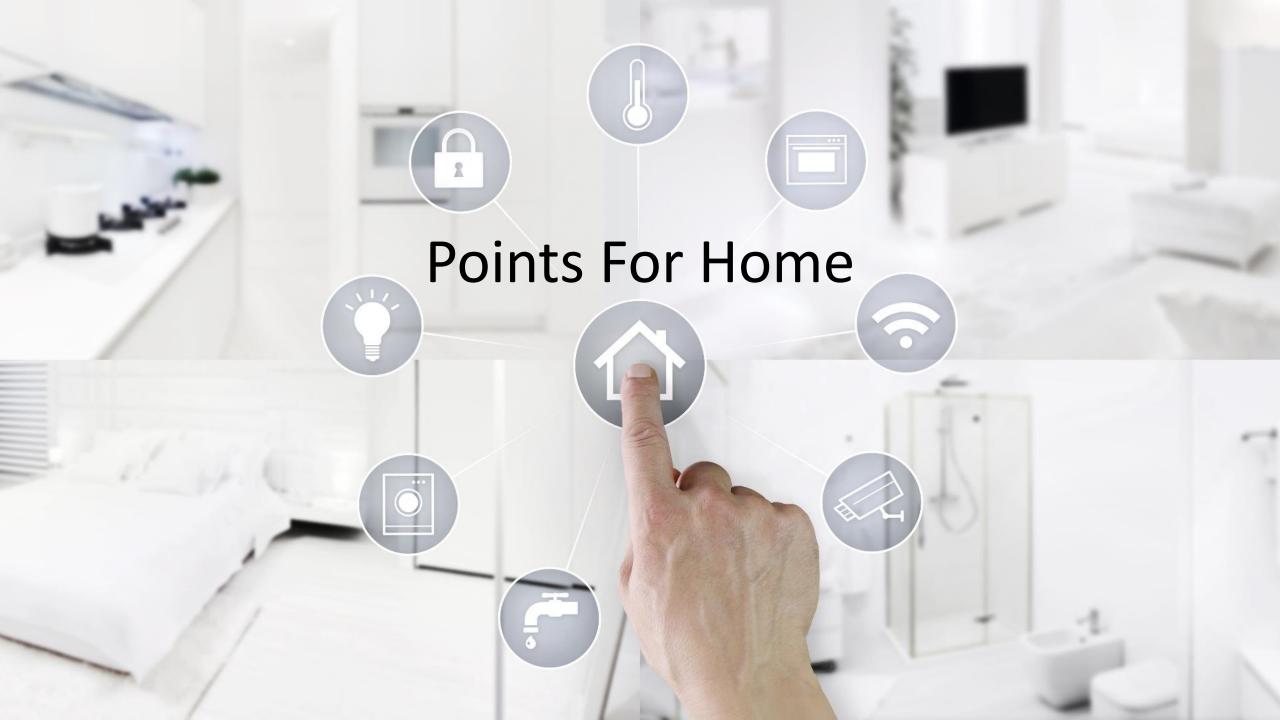




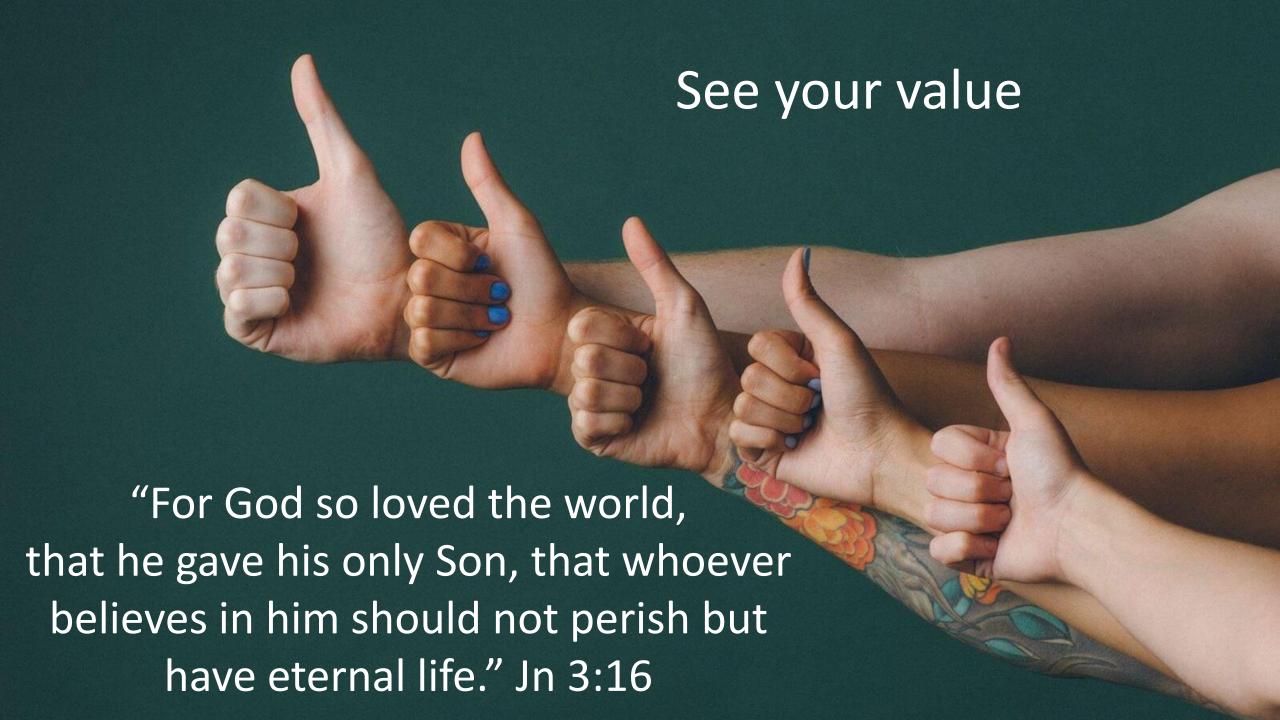






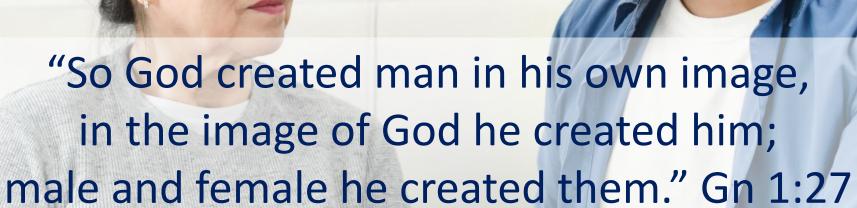














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