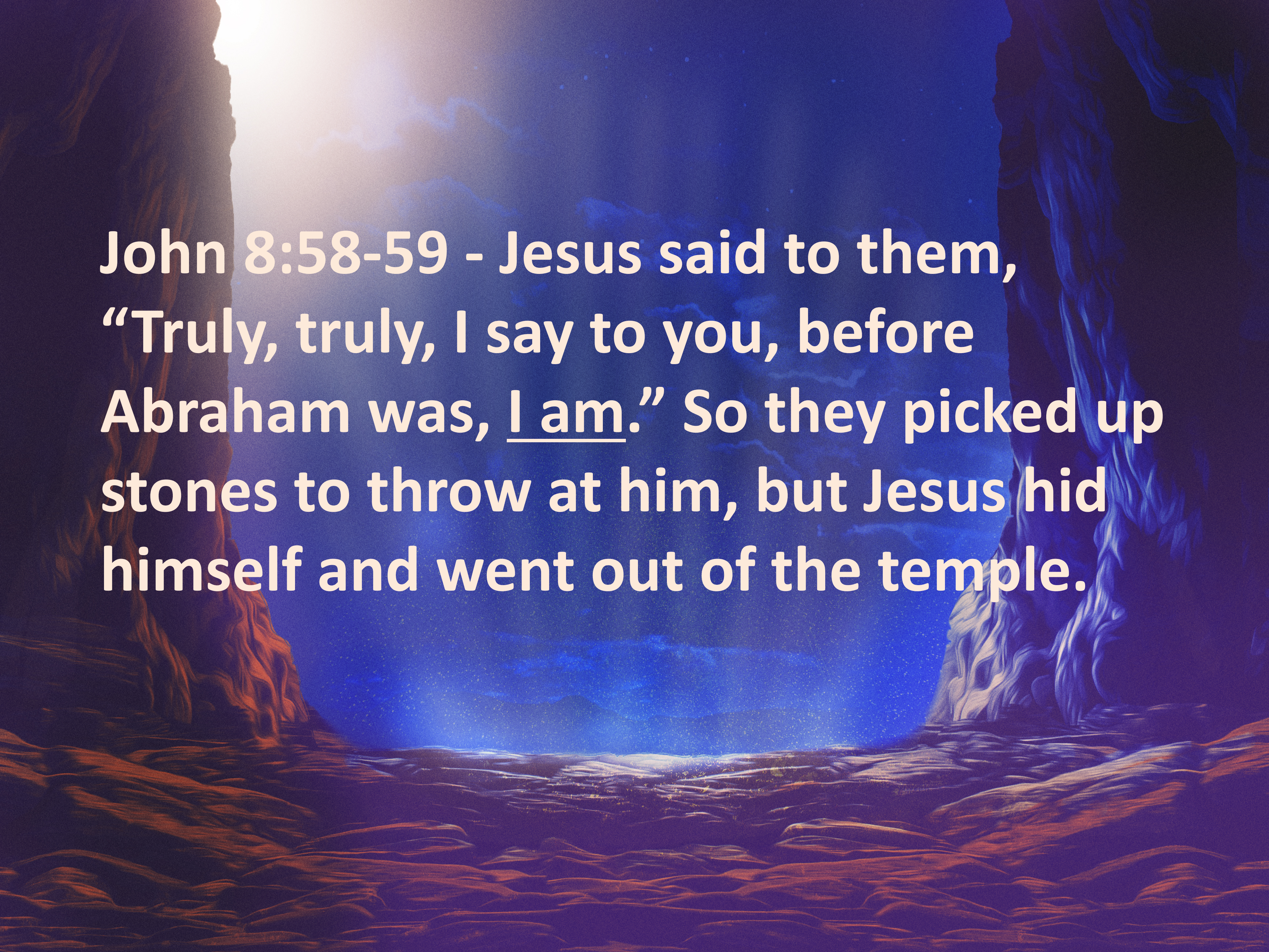


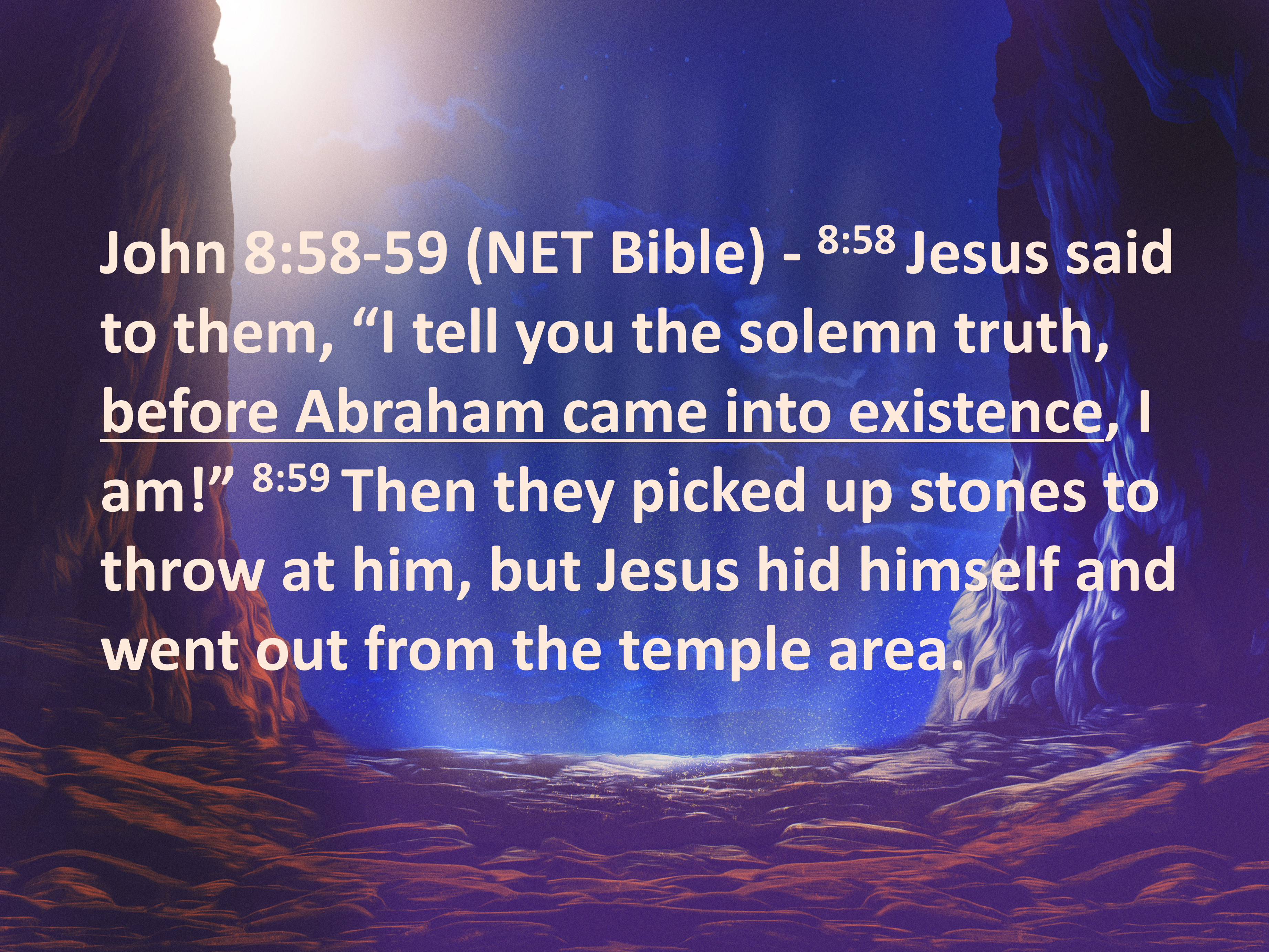
A dramatic scene of a manger in a cave. A bright light streams from an opening at the top left, illuminating the scene. The manger is in the center, with a silhouette of a baby inside. The text "Who is this Jesus, Anyway?" is written in white, and "He is ... I AM" is written in red over the manger.

**“Who is this Jesus,  
Anyway?”**

**He is ... I AM**

A dramatic scene of a cave opening. The cave walls are dark and textured, with a bright light source shining from the opening, creating a strong lens flare and illuminating the path leading out. The path is rocky and leads towards a bright, hazy light at the end of the tunnel. The overall atmosphere is mysterious and awe-inspiring.

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**John 8:58-59 (NET Bible) - 8:58 Jesus said to them, “I tell you the solemn truth, before Abraham came into existence, I am!” 8:59 Then they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out from the temple area.**

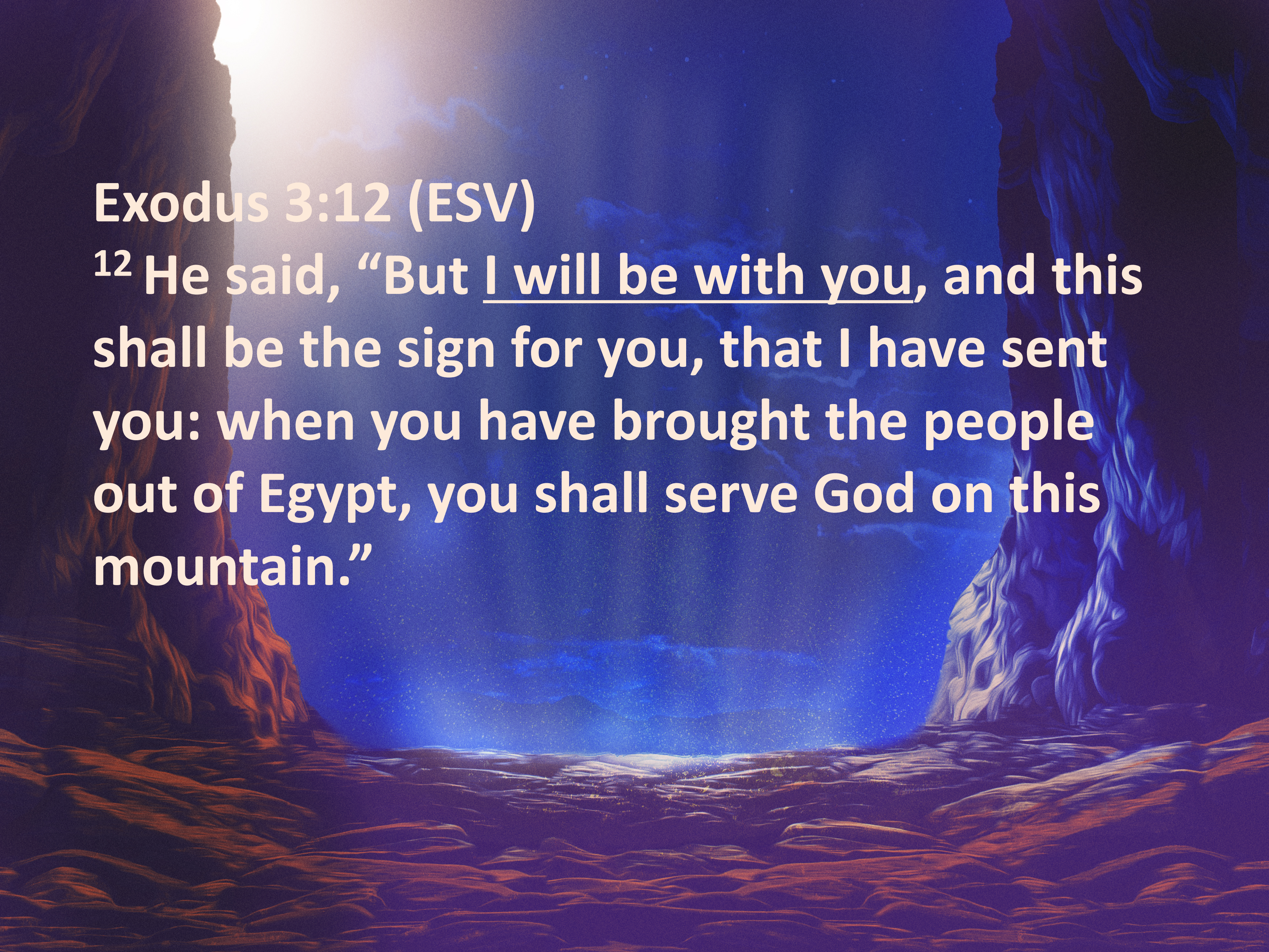


**Psalm 90:2**

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

## Exodus 3:13–14 (ESV)

<sup>13</sup> Then Moses said to God, “If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” <sup>14</sup> God said to Moses, “I am who I am.” And he said, “Say this to the people of Israel: I am has sent me to you.’ ”

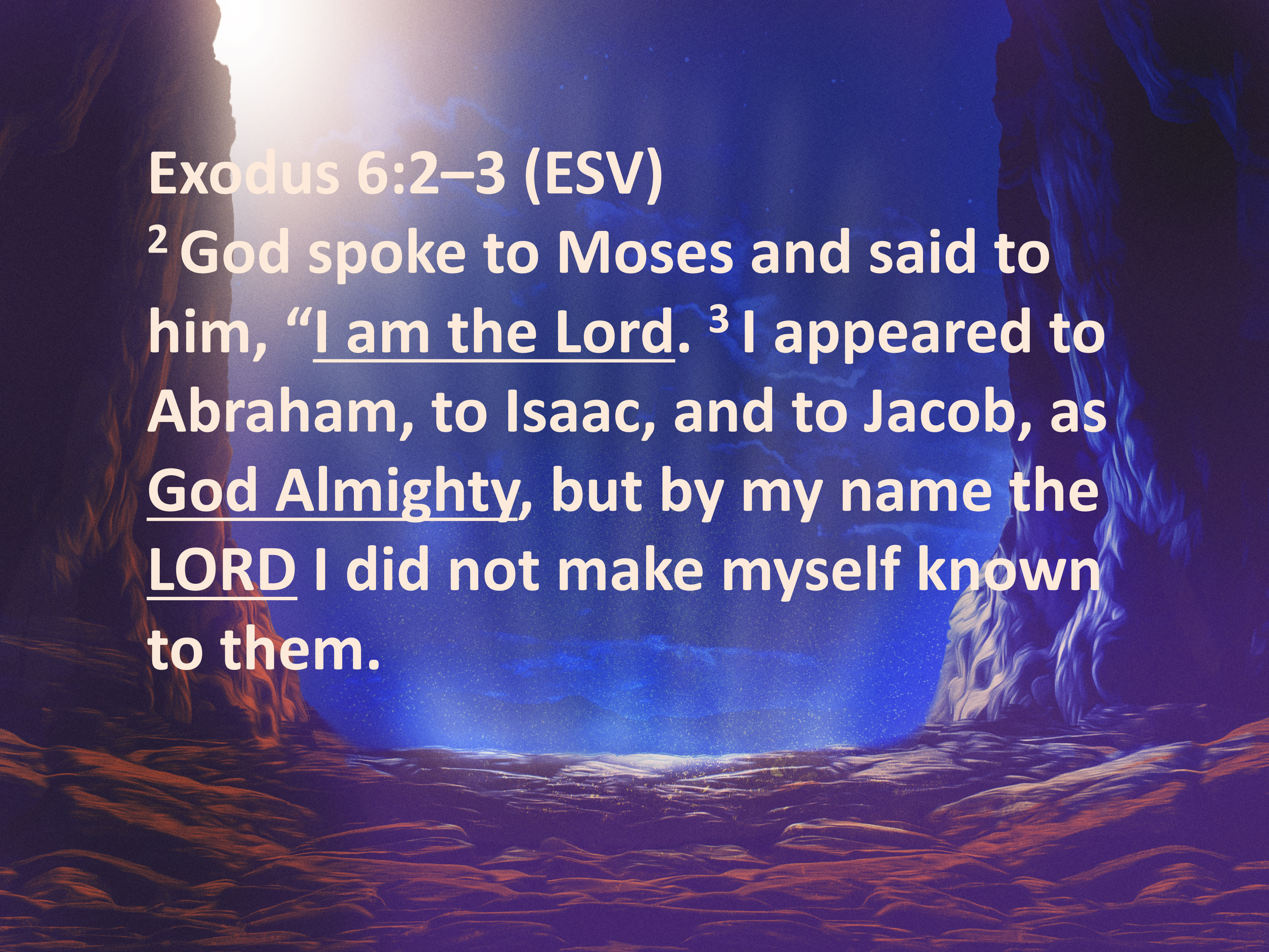


**Exodus 3:12 (ESV)**

**<sup>12</sup> He said, “But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain.”**

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I Am – Yahweh – over 6800 x in Old Testament



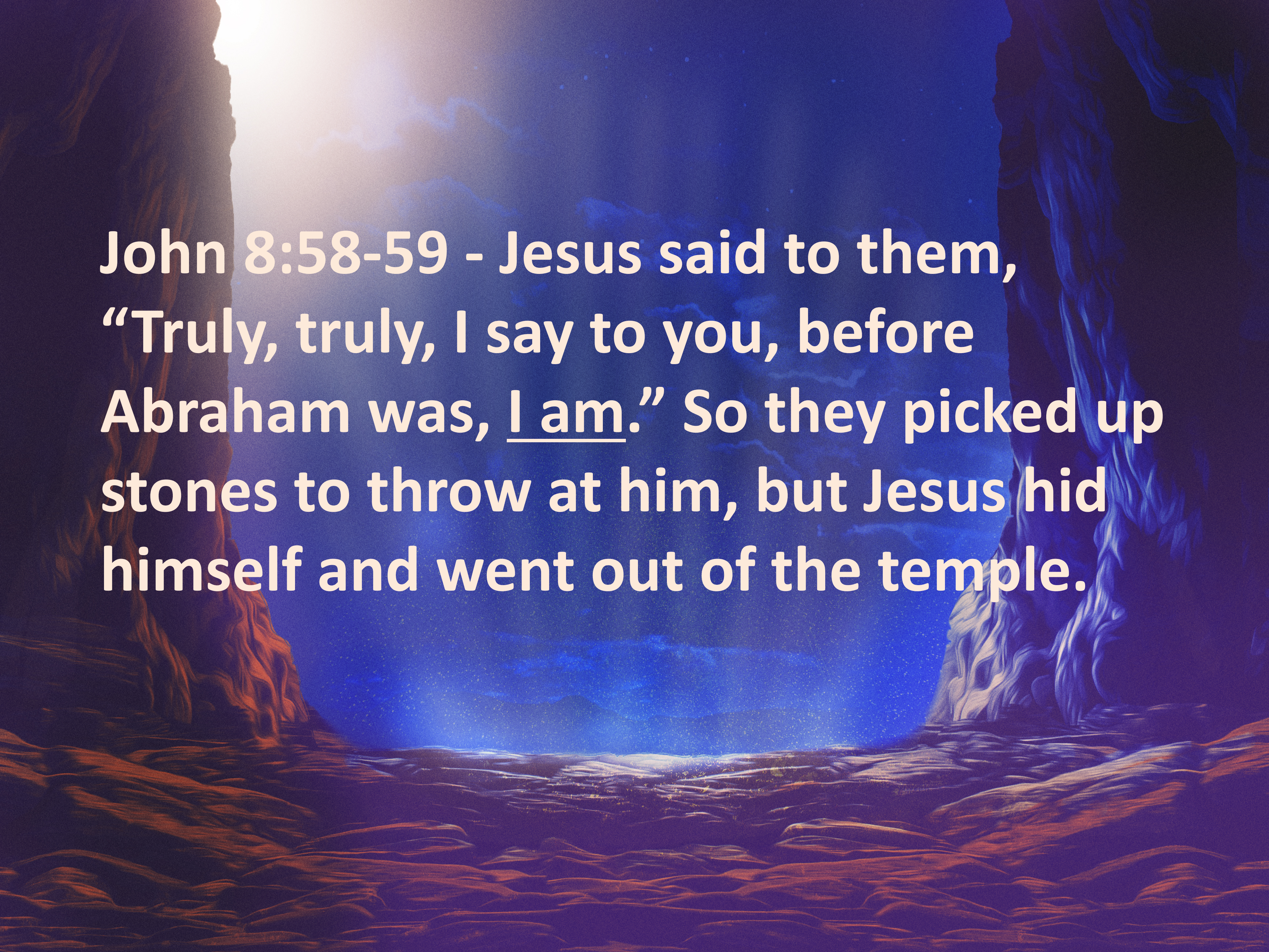
Exodus 6:2–3 (ESV)

<sup>2</sup> God spoke to Moses and said to him, “I am the Lord. <sup>3</sup> I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God Almighty, but by my name the LORD I did not make myself known to them.

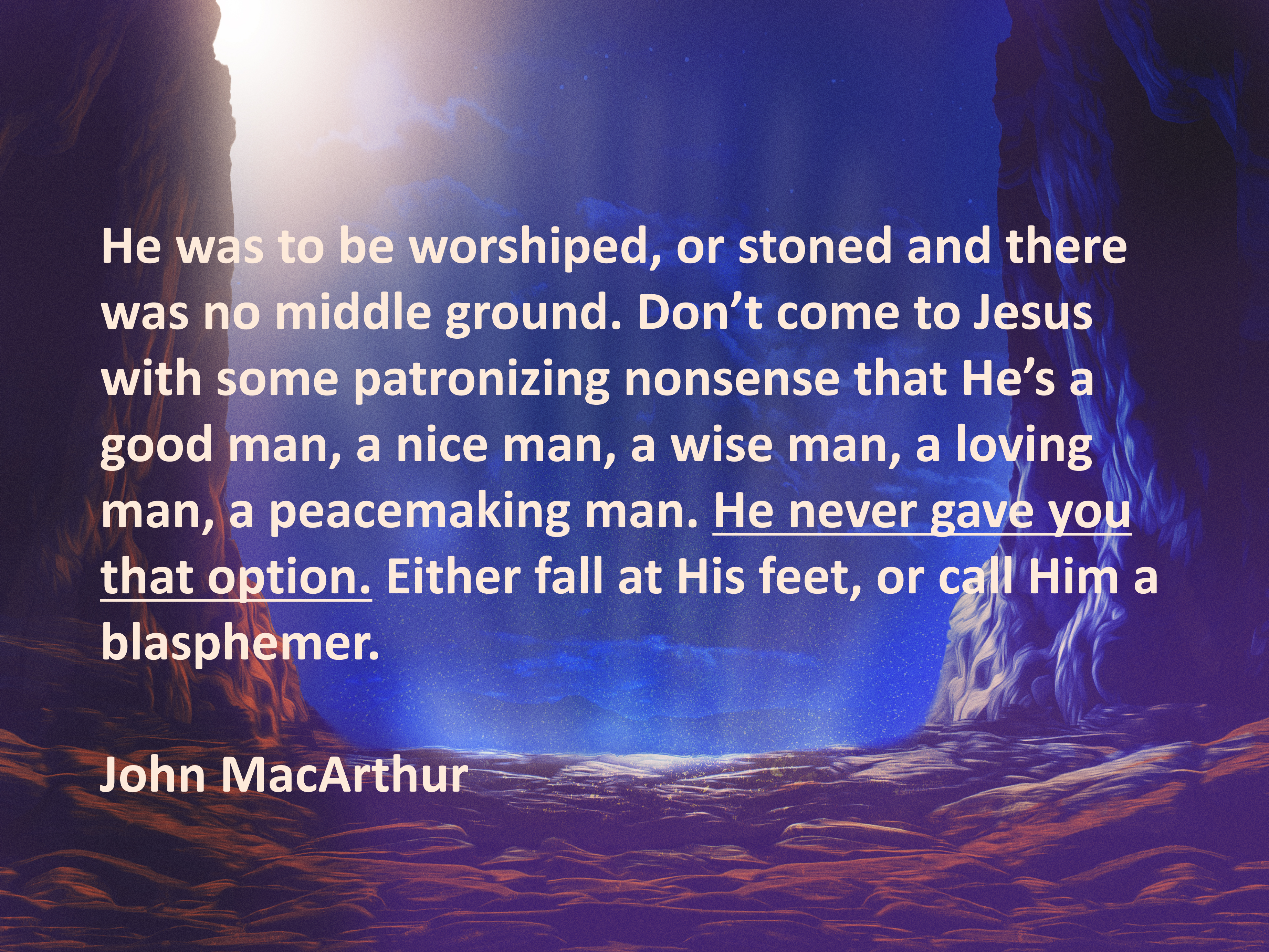


## Exodus 6:6 (ESV)

<sup>6</sup> Say therefore to the people of Israel, 'I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment.

A dramatic scene of a cave opening. The cave walls are dark and textured, with a bright light source shining from the top left, creating a strong glow and casting long shadows. A path of light leads from the cave opening towards the viewer, suggesting an exit. The overall atmosphere is mysterious and awe-inspiring.

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He was to be worshiped, or stoned and there was no middle ground. Don't come to Jesus with some patronizing nonsense that He's a good man, a nice man, a wise man, a loving man, a peacemaking man. He never gave you that option. Either fall at His feet, or call Him a blasphemer.

John MacArthur

# The “I AM” Statements in John’s Gospel

- I am the Bread of Life – 6:35
- I am the Light of the World – 8:12
- I am the Door – 10:7
- I am the Good Shepherd – 10:11
- I am the Resurrection and the Life – 11:25
- I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life – 14:6
- I am the True Vine – 15:1

A dramatic scene of a cave opening at night. The cave walls are dark and textured, with a bright light source shining from the top left, creating a strong glow and casting long shadows. The sky outside is a deep blue, filled with stars and a few wispy clouds. The ground inside the cave is dark and uneven, with some small lights scattered across it.

**Jesus is Who He claimed to be and He proved it:**

## Mark 2:1–4 (ESV)

And when he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. <sup>2</sup> And many were gathered together, so that there was no more room, not even at the door. And he was preaching the word to them. <sup>3</sup> And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men.

## Mark 2:1–4 (ESV)

<sup>4</sup> And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and when they had made an opening, they let down the bed on which the paralytic lay.

## Mark 2:5–7 (ESV)

<sup>5</sup> And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, “Son, your sins are forgiven.”

<sup>6</sup> Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, <sup>7</sup> “Why does this man speak like that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?”



## Mark 2:8–9 (ESV)

<sup>8</sup> And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, “Why do you question these things in your hearts?”

<sup>9</sup> Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Rise, take up your bed and walk’?

## Mark 2:10–12 (ESV)

<sup>10</sup> But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins”—he said to the paralytic— <sup>11</sup> “I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home.” <sup>12</sup> And he rose and immediately picked up his bed and went out before them all, so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, “We never saw anything like this!”

## Luke 4:31–34 (ESV)

<sup>31</sup> And he went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee. And he was teaching them on the Sabbath, <sup>32</sup> and they were astonished at his teaching, for his word possessed authority.

<sup>33</sup> And in the synagogue there was a man who had the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice, <sup>34</sup> “Ha! What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.”

## Luke 4:35–36 (ESV)

<sup>35</sup> But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent and come out of him!” And when the demon had thrown him down in their midst, he came out of him, having done him no harm. <sup>36</sup> And they were all amazed and said to one another, “What is this word? For with authority and power he commands the unclean spirits, and they come out!”

## Mark 4:35–37 (ESV)

### Jesus Calms a Storm

<sup>35</sup> On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, “Let us go across to the other side.”

<sup>36</sup> And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup> And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling.

## Mark 4:38–39 (ESV)

<sup>38</sup> But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” <sup>39</sup> And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.



**Mark 4:40–41 (ESV)**

**40** He said to them, “Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?” **41** And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

## John 10:17–18 (ESV)

<sup>17</sup> For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again.

<sup>18</sup> No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.”





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**John 11:25–26 (ESV)**

**<sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, <sup>26</sup> and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?”**

## John 11:38–40 (ESV)

<sup>38</sup> Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it.

<sup>39</sup> Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days.” <sup>40</sup> Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?”

A dramatic scene of a cave entrance. The top of the frame is dominated by a bright, glowing light source, possibly the sun or moon, which casts a strong beam of light down into the cave. The cave walls are dark and textured, with some areas appearing to be covered in water or wet rock. The floor of the cave is a path of light, leading the eye towards the center of the image. The overall color palette is dark, with deep blues and purples, contrasted by the bright light at the top and the path of light on the floor.

## John 11:41–42 (ESV)

**<sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup> I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me.”**

## John 11:43–44 (ESV)

<sup>43</sup> When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out.” <sup>44</sup> The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”



**John 5:28–29 (ESV)**

**28 Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice <sup>29</sup> and come out ...**



**John 7:46 (ESV)**

**46 The officers answered, “No one ever spoke like this man!”**



## John 5:18 (ESV)

<sup>18</sup> This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God.



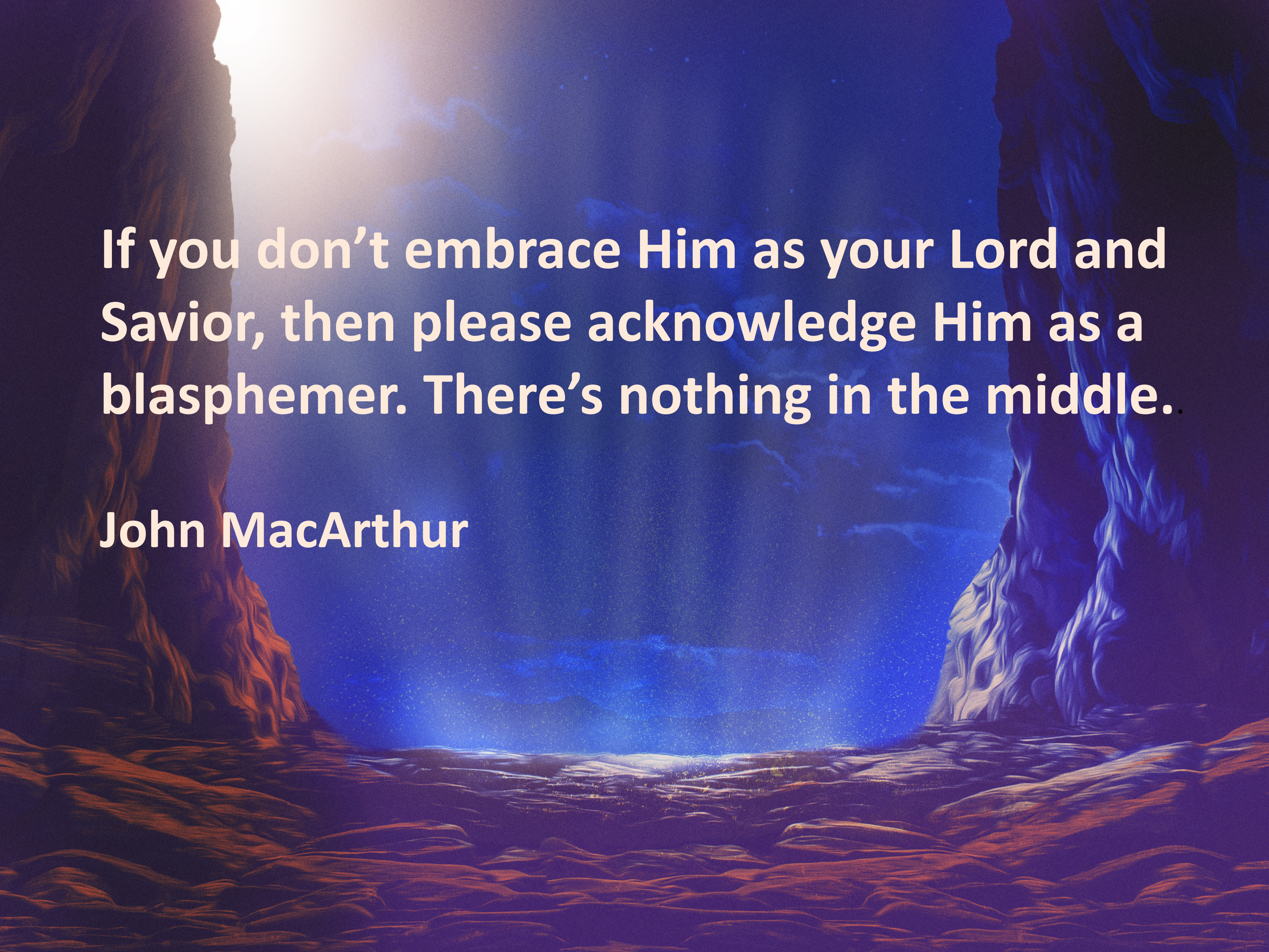
## John 10:31–33 (ESV)

<sup>31</sup> The Jews picked up stones again to stone him. <sup>32</sup> Jesus answered them, “I have shown you many good works from the Father; for which of them are you going to stone me?”

<sup>33</sup> The Jews answered him, “It is not for a good work that we are going to stone you but for blasphemy, because you, being a man, make yourself God.”

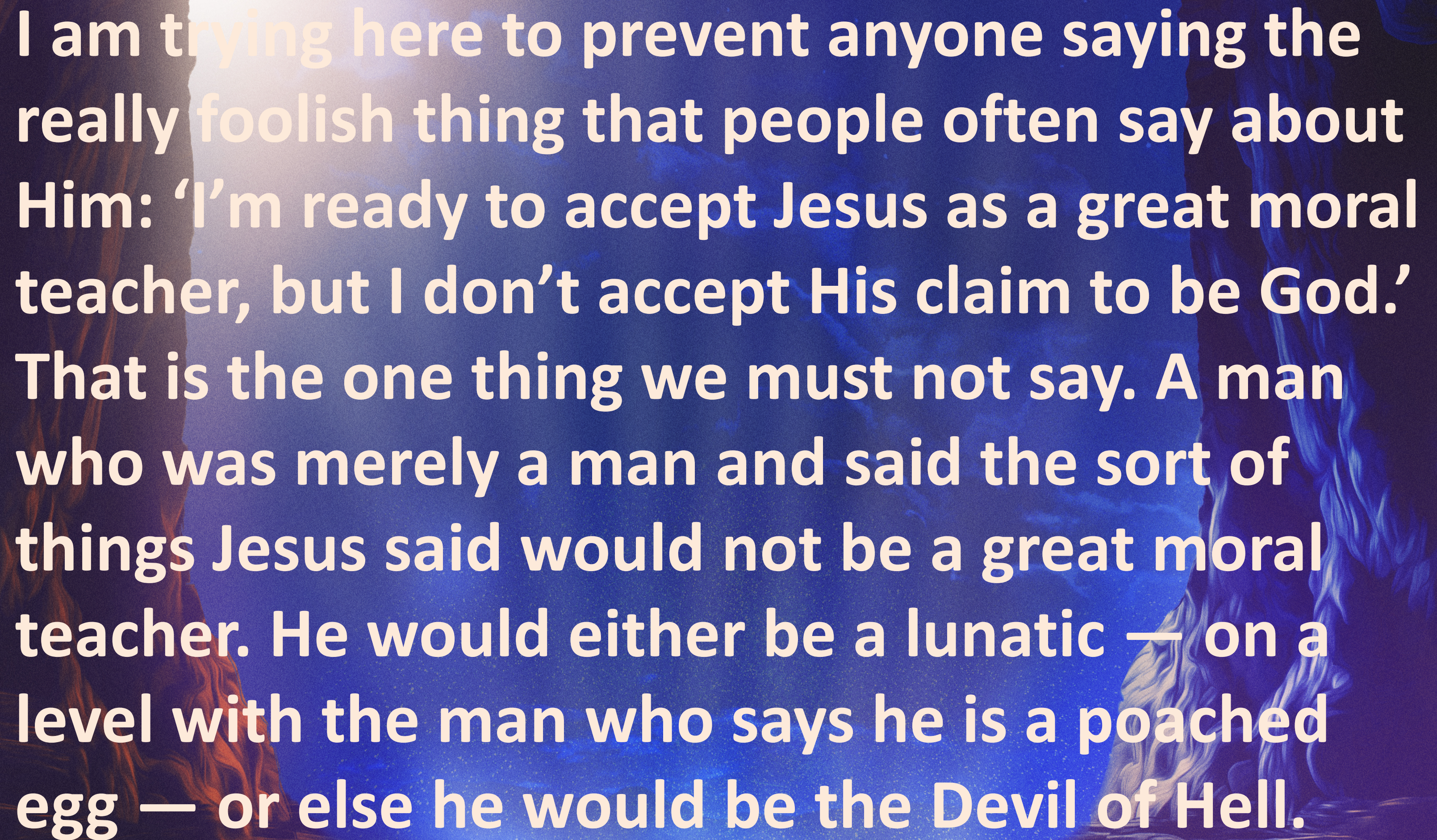
## Mark 14:61–62 (ESV)

**61** But he remained silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him, “Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?” **62** And Jesus said, “I am, and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.”

A dramatic landscape with a bright sun rising over a blue, misty valley, framed by dark, rocky cliffs. The sun is positioned at the top left, casting a strong light across the scene. The valley below is filled with a deep blue mist, and the ground is covered in dark, textured rocks. The overall atmosphere is one of awe and grandeur.

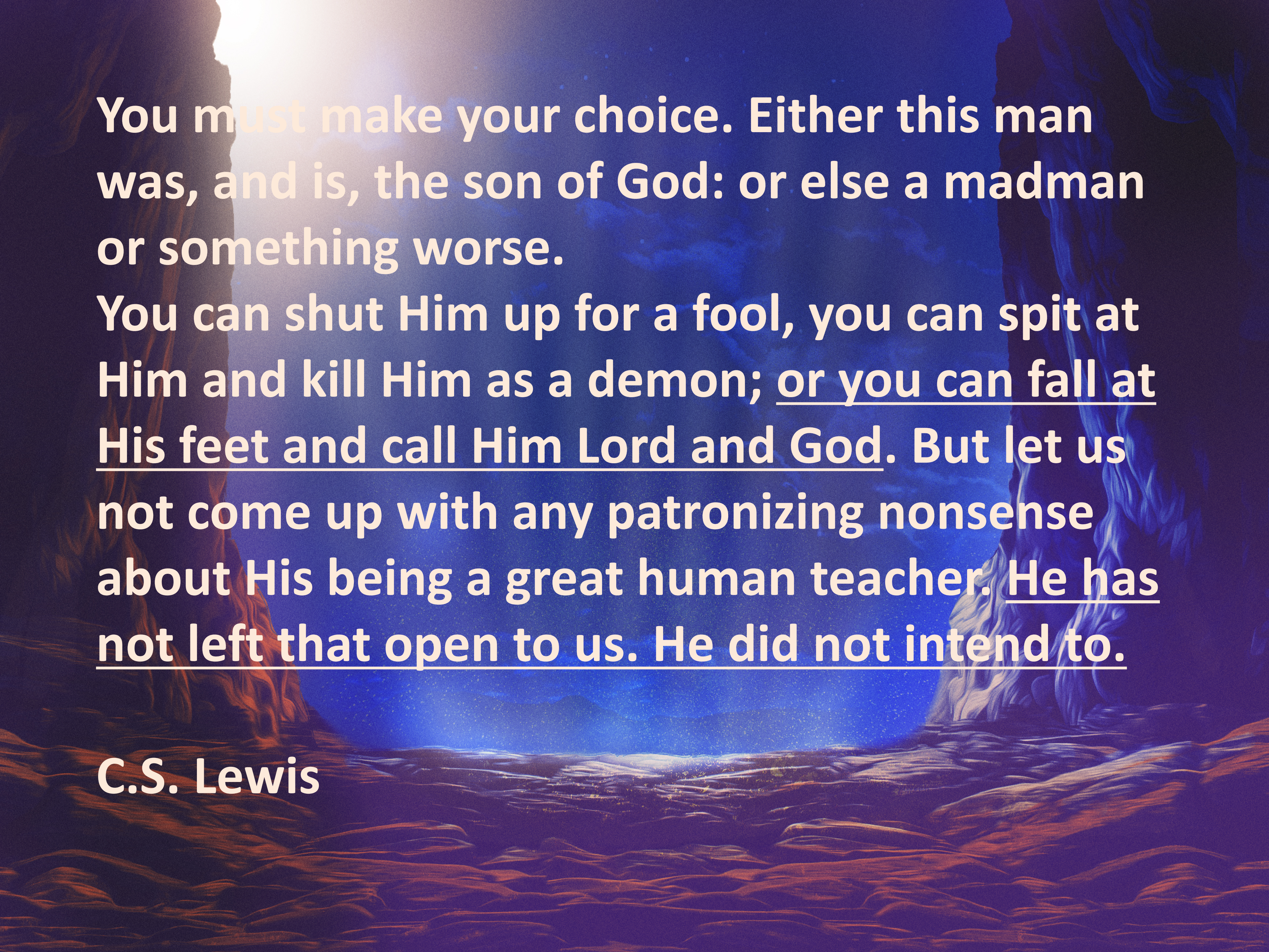
**If you don't embrace Him as your Lord and Savior, then please acknowledge Him as a blasphemer. There's nothing in the middle.**

**John MacArthur**



I am trying here to prevent anyone saying the really foolish thing that people often say about Him: 'I'm ready to accept Jesus as a great moral teacher, but I don't accept His claim to be God.' That is the one thing we must not say. A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic — on a level with the man who says he is a poached egg — or else he would be the Devil of Hell.

C.S. Lewis



You must make your choice. Either this man was, and is, the son of God: or else a madman or something worse.

You can shut Him up for a fool, you can spit at Him and kill Him as a demon; or you can fall at His feet and call Him Lord and God. But let us not come up with any patronizing nonsense about His being a great human teacher. He has not left that open to us. He did not intend to.

C.S. Lewis

