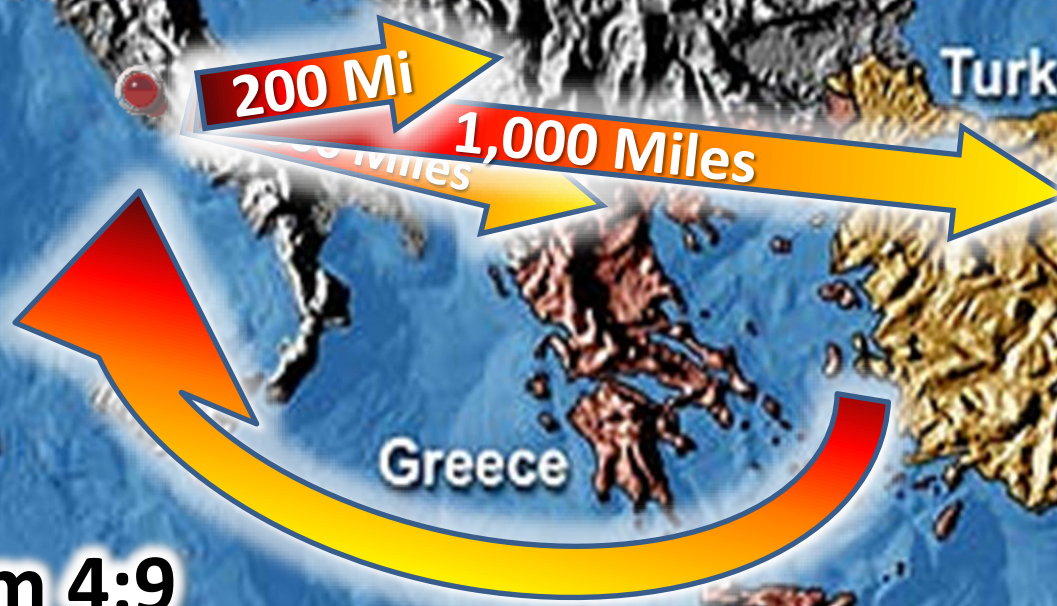


2 Timothy 4 Preach the WORD



Turkey
4:10 **Demas**,
having loved this
present world
has gone to
Thessalonica.

2 Tim 4:9
Make every
effort ***to come***
to me soon.

Crescens (unknown) has
gone to Galatia. Purpose
unknown.

Titus to Dalmatia – Faithful evangelist & Paul's
companion. 2 Cor 2:13; 7:6, 13-14; 8:6, 16. Ti 1:4

2 Timothy 4 Preach the **WORD**

v.10 **Pick up Mark** and bring him with you for he is useful to me for service.”

Mark **'redeemed himself'** from his first failure.
(Acts 13:13; 15:36-41)

2 Tim 4:11

Only **Luke** is with me.

Faithful companion & physician for 20 yrs.
(Acts 16:10; Col 4:14)

NEAN 2 Tim 4:12 **"Tychicus**
I have sent to Ephesus.”

Loved faithful minister (Eph 6:21; Acts 20:4; Col 4:7)
Replaced Tim (1 Tim 1:3)

2 Timothy 4 Preach the **WORD**

2 Tim 4:13 When you come bring the **cloak** which I left at Troas with Carpus, and the **books**, especially the **parchments**.

Cloak: Traveling cloak of wool for stormy weather. *Vines.*

Books: **Biblia.** Papyrus scrolls. Paper made from stem of plant, cut into strips & pressed together.

Parchments: **Membranas:** Writing materials prepared from sheep or goat skins, stretched & smoothed. *Vines.*

Content Unknown: Copies of the OT? Legal docs? Personal letters? Blank writing materials?

2 Tim 4:14-22 Final Instructions

2 Tim 4:14 **Alexander the coppersmith** did me much harm; the Lord will repay him according to his deeds. *(No bitterness shown)*

Eph 4:31 Let all **bitterness**, and wrath & anger be put away from you.

Heb 12:15 See to it that no one comes short of the grace of God; that **no root of bitterness** springing up causes trouble.



Bitterness, is like drinking poison and waiting for the other person to die.

2 Tim 4:14-22 Final Instructions

2 Tim 4:15 Be on guard against him yourself, for he vigorously opposed our teaching.

(Ps 39:1) I will guard my mouth
while in the presence of the wicked.

(Mt 10:16) Be as wise as serpents..

Perhaps The blasphemer in (1 Tim 1:20).
Or man of High Priestly descent (Mk 15:21)
Or Ephesian spokesman (Acts 19:53).

"The Lord will repay" No personal vengeance (Rom 12:19).



2 Tim 4:14-22

Final Instructions

v.16 At my first defense no one supported me.

In this 2nd Roman Imprisonment, His 1st hearing, likely before a Roman magistrate rather than the emperor (See IVP)



“May it not be counted against them.”

Even standing alone and on trial for his life, there was no personal bitterness. Jesus (Lk 23:34); Stephen (Acts 7:60). How about us?

2 Tim 4:14-22

Final Instructions

2 Tim 4:17 But the *Lord* stood with me, & **strengthened me.**

Promised: (Mat 28:20),
“*I am with you always.*”

(Ps 27:10) “Father & mother have forsaken me but the *Lord will take me up.*”

v.17 In order that through me the proclamation might be fully accomplished, and *that all the Gentiles might hear.* (Acts 9:15)



2 Tim 4:14-22

Final Instructions

v.17 And I was delivered out of the **lion's mouth**.

Paul barely escaped
the danger at this
Roman hearing



How many times have
you encountered
circumstances
in which you
**could have
died?**

**Accidents? Illness?
Dangerous situations?**

2 Tim 4:14-22

Final Instructions

2 Tim 4:18 *The Lord will deliver me from every evil deed, & will bring me safely to His heavenly kingdom.*

Paul knew he would be **executed** this time. (2 Tim 4:6)



1. Paul was repeatedly delivered **FROM death!**
(2 Cor 4:8; 11:24f; Acts 19:23f; Acts 21-28)

2. Now he would be delivered from future evil **BY death !!!** (Rev 14:13; Phil 1:23)

4:18 *“To Him be the glory forever & ever. Amen.”*

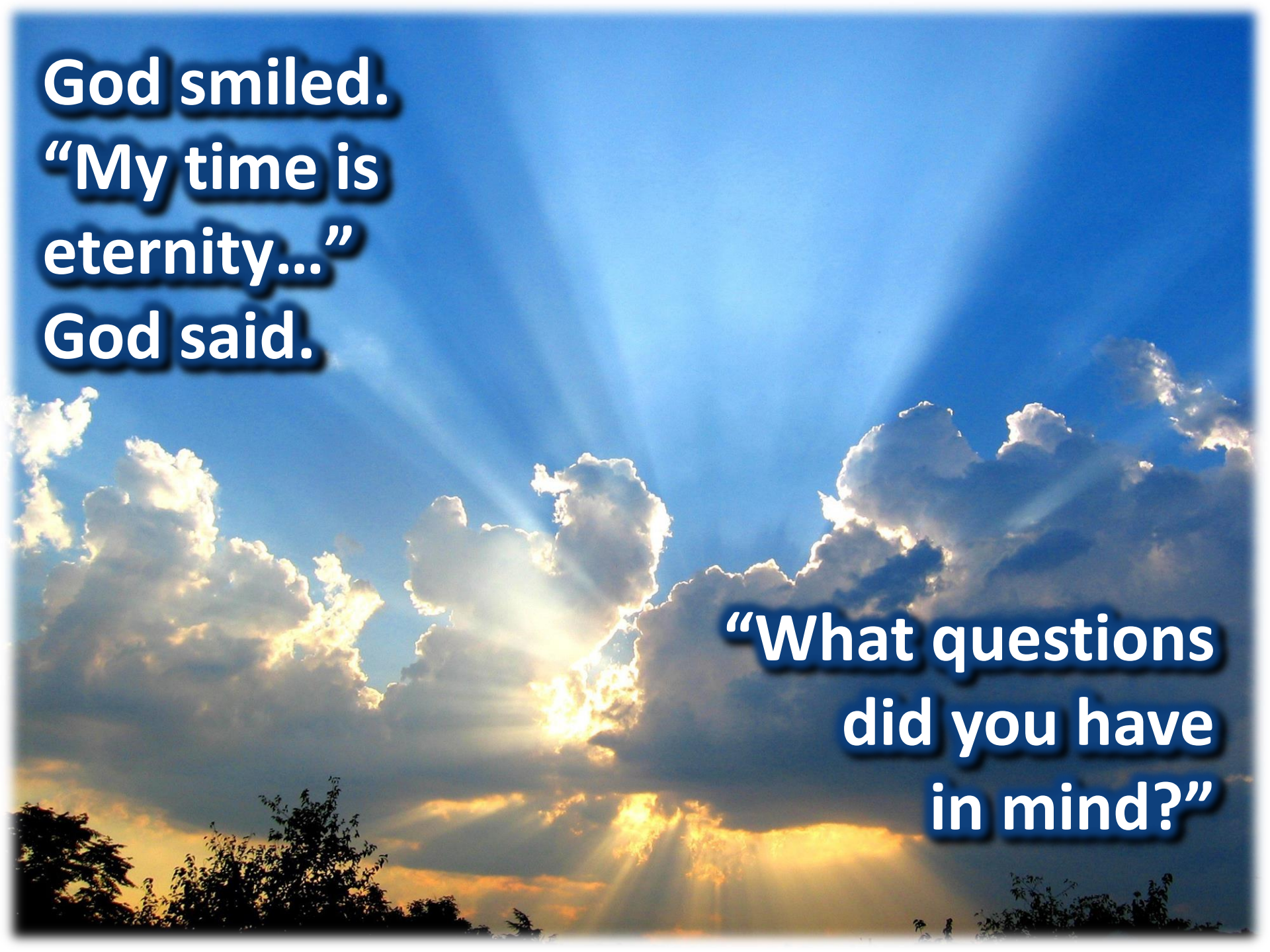
**I dreamed I had
and Interview
with God...**



A bright sun is shining in the upper left corner of a blue sky filled with white, fluffy clouds. The sun has a prominent lens flare effect with multiple rays extending outwards. The text is overlaid on the top right of the image.

**“So you would like to interview Me?”
God asked.**

**“If You have
time.”
I said**




**God smiled.
“My time is
eternity...”
God said.**

**“What questions
did you have
in mind?”**

**I said.. “What surprises You most
about mankind?”**





**God answered... “They get bored with
childhood and rush to grow up.”**

**“And they
then long to
be children
again.”**



**God said... “They lose their health to
make money...”**

**“Then they
lose their
money to
regain
health.”**

A panoramic view of a mountain range with green hills and a winding road. The foreground shows a dirt road curving through a lush green valley. In the background, there are several mountain peaks, some covered in green grass and others in blue-grey tones, under a cloudy sky. The overall scene is bright and vibrant, suggesting a clear day.

“By thinking anxiously about the future..”

**“That they
forget about
the present..”**

**“Such as they live not in the present
nor in the future..”**

A woman with long blonde hair, wearing a dark blue t-shirt and light blue shorts, is sitting on a rocky ledge overlooking a vast canyon. She is pointing towards the canyon floor. In the background, another person wearing a green cap is visible. The canyon is filled with layered rock formations and a river flows through the bottom. The sky is clear and blue.

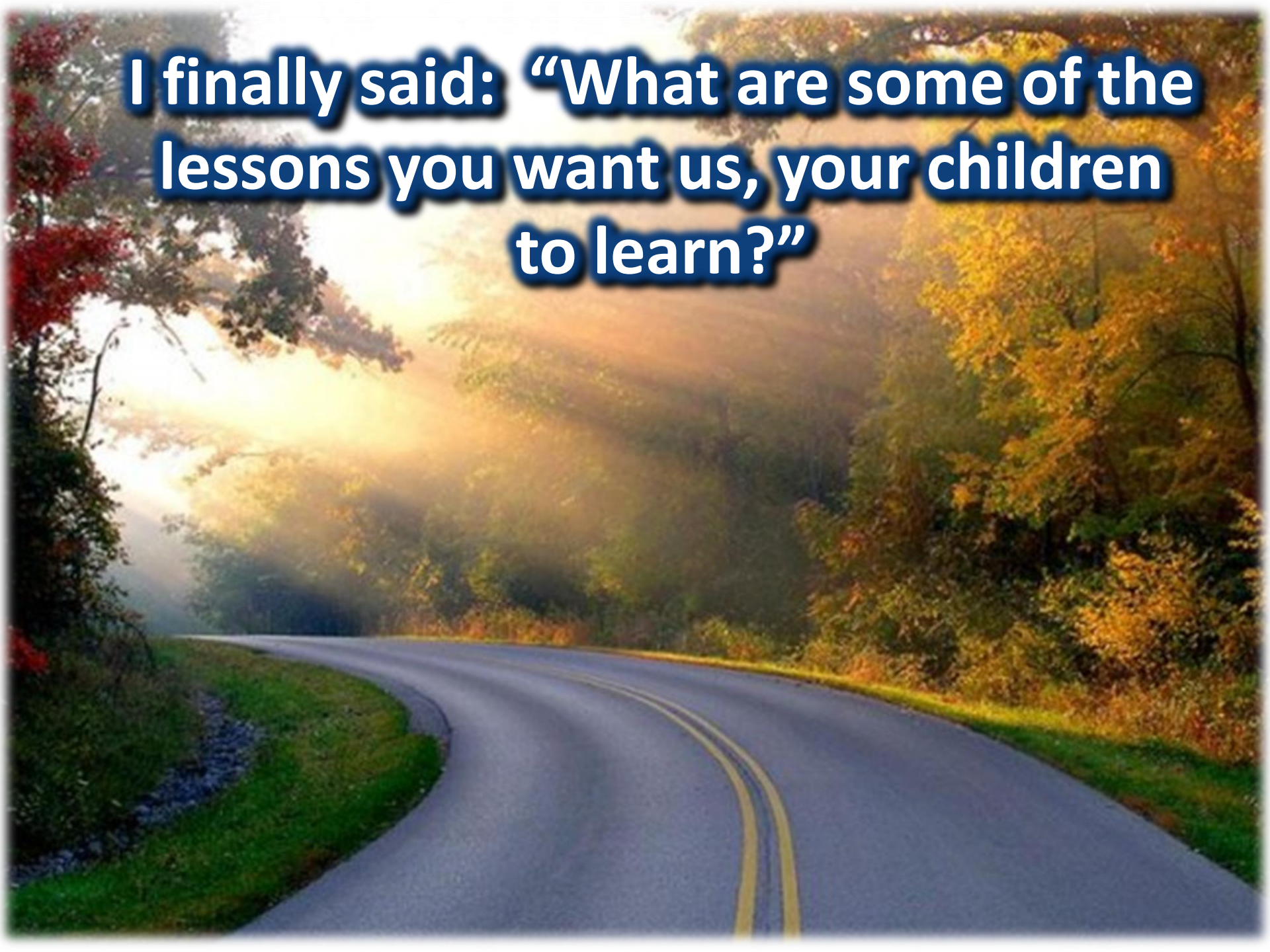
“They live as though they will never die..”

“Then die as though they had never lived.”

**God took my hand and
we were silent for a while.**



I finally said: “What are some of the lessons you want us, your children to learn?”





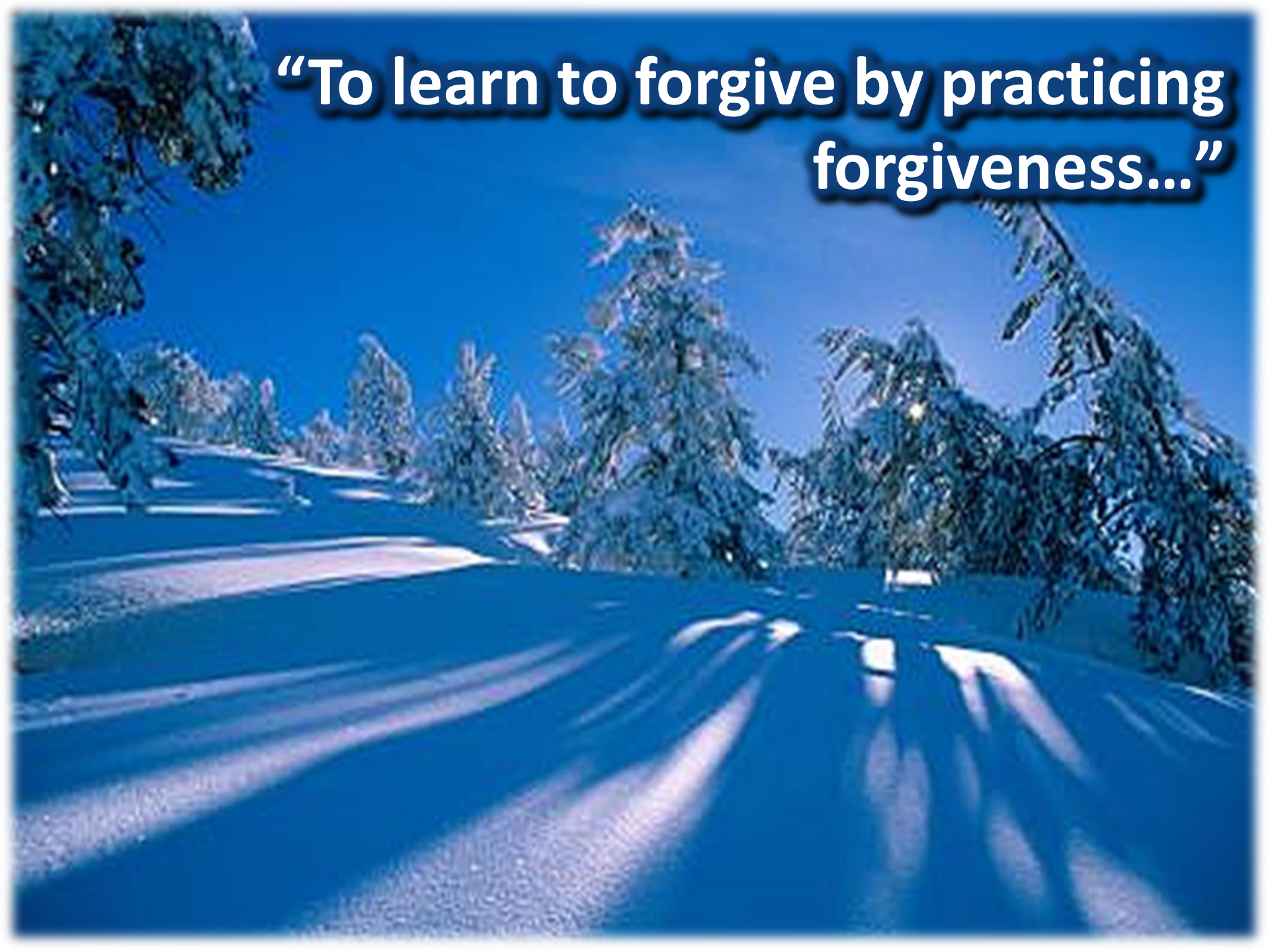
**God said: “To learn that you cannot
make anyone
love you...”**

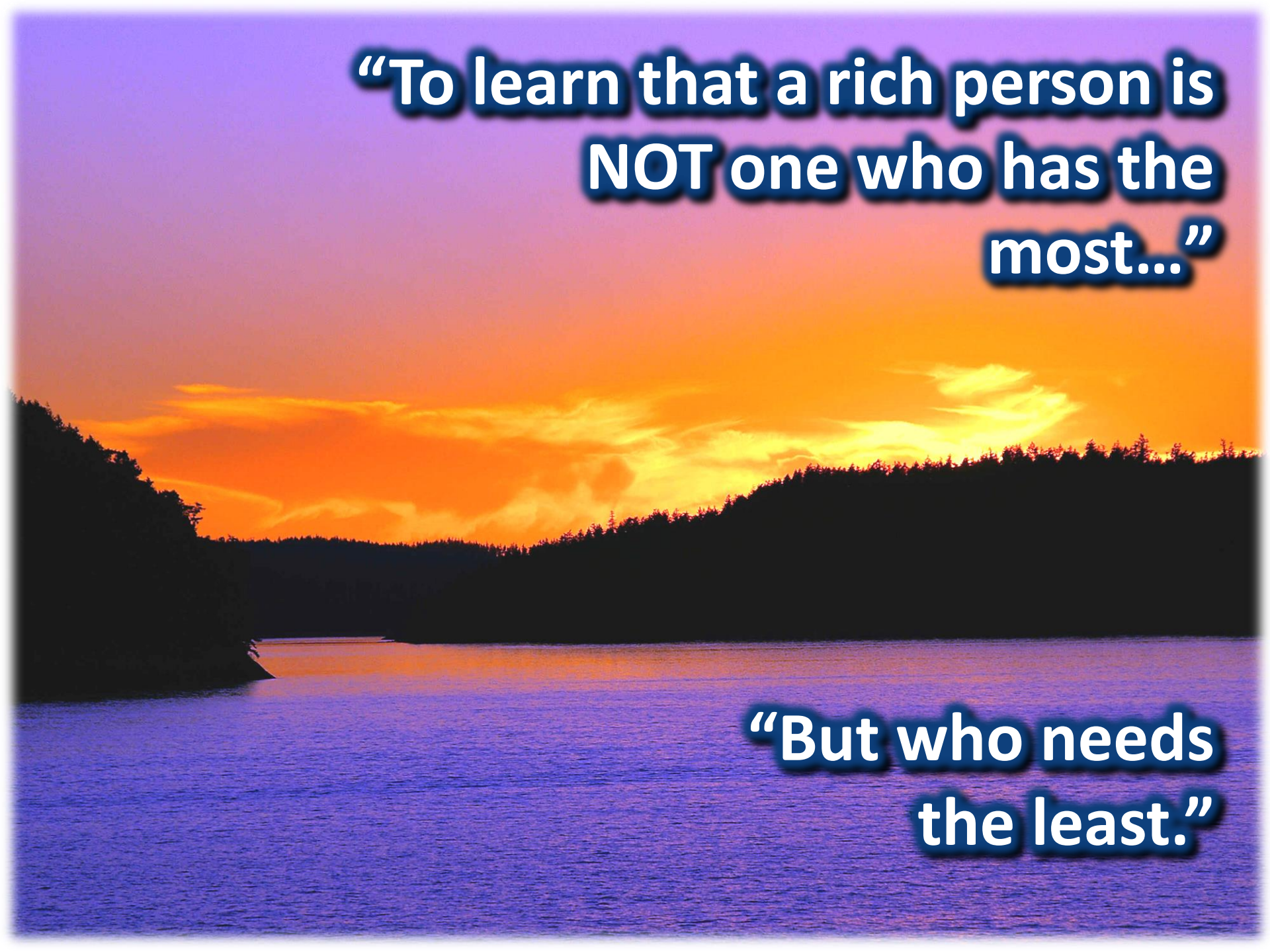
**“All you can do
is let yourself
be loved.”**

**God said: “To learn that it is not good
to compare
yourself
with
others...”**



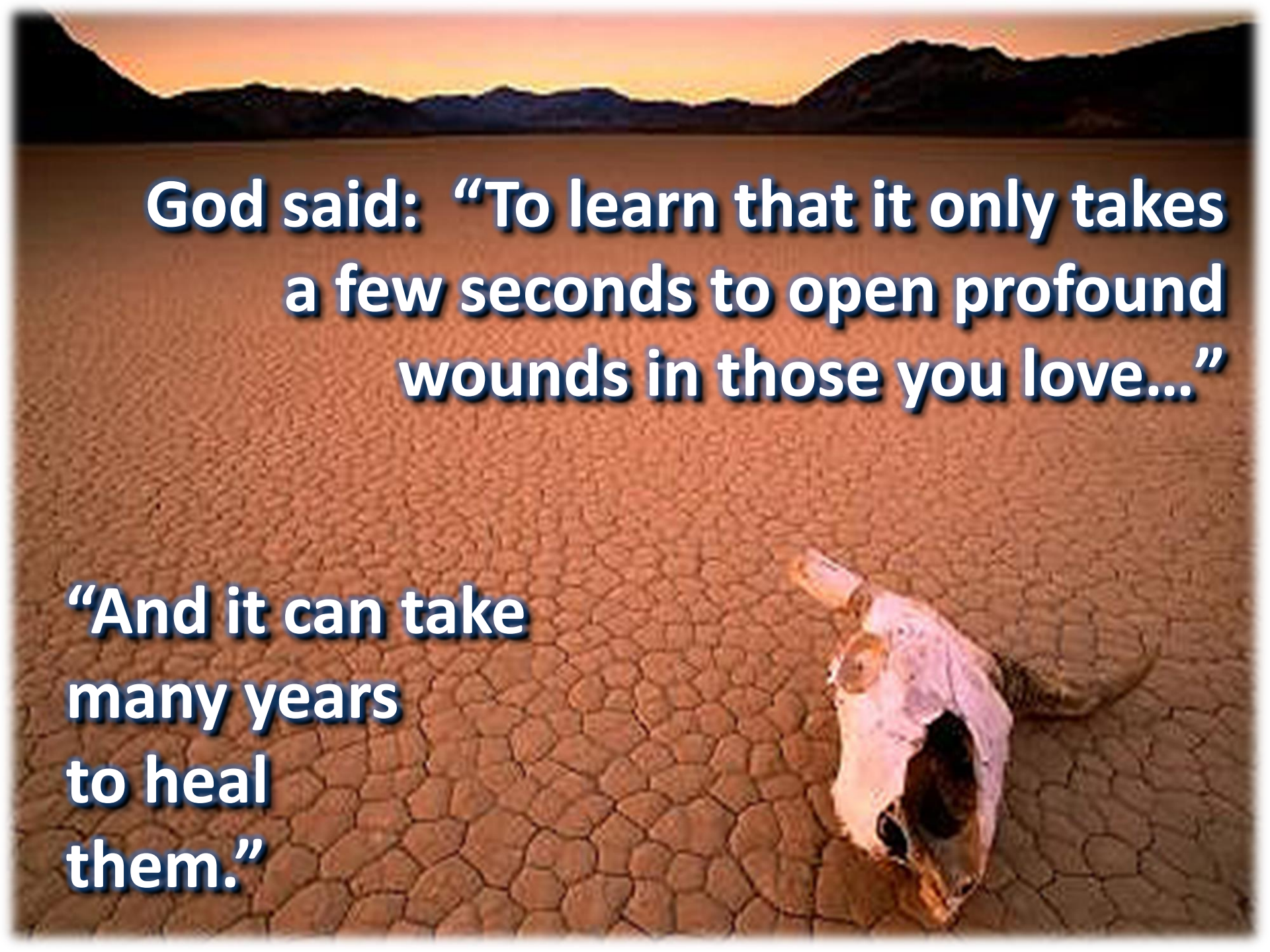
“To learn to forgive by practicing forgiveness...”



A scenic sunset over a lake. The sky is a mix of purple, orange, and yellow, with a bright sun partially obscured by clouds. The water is a deep blue, reflecting the colors of the sky. The shoreline is a dark silhouette of a forest.

**“To learn that a rich person is
NOT one who has the
most...”**

**“But who needs
the least.”**



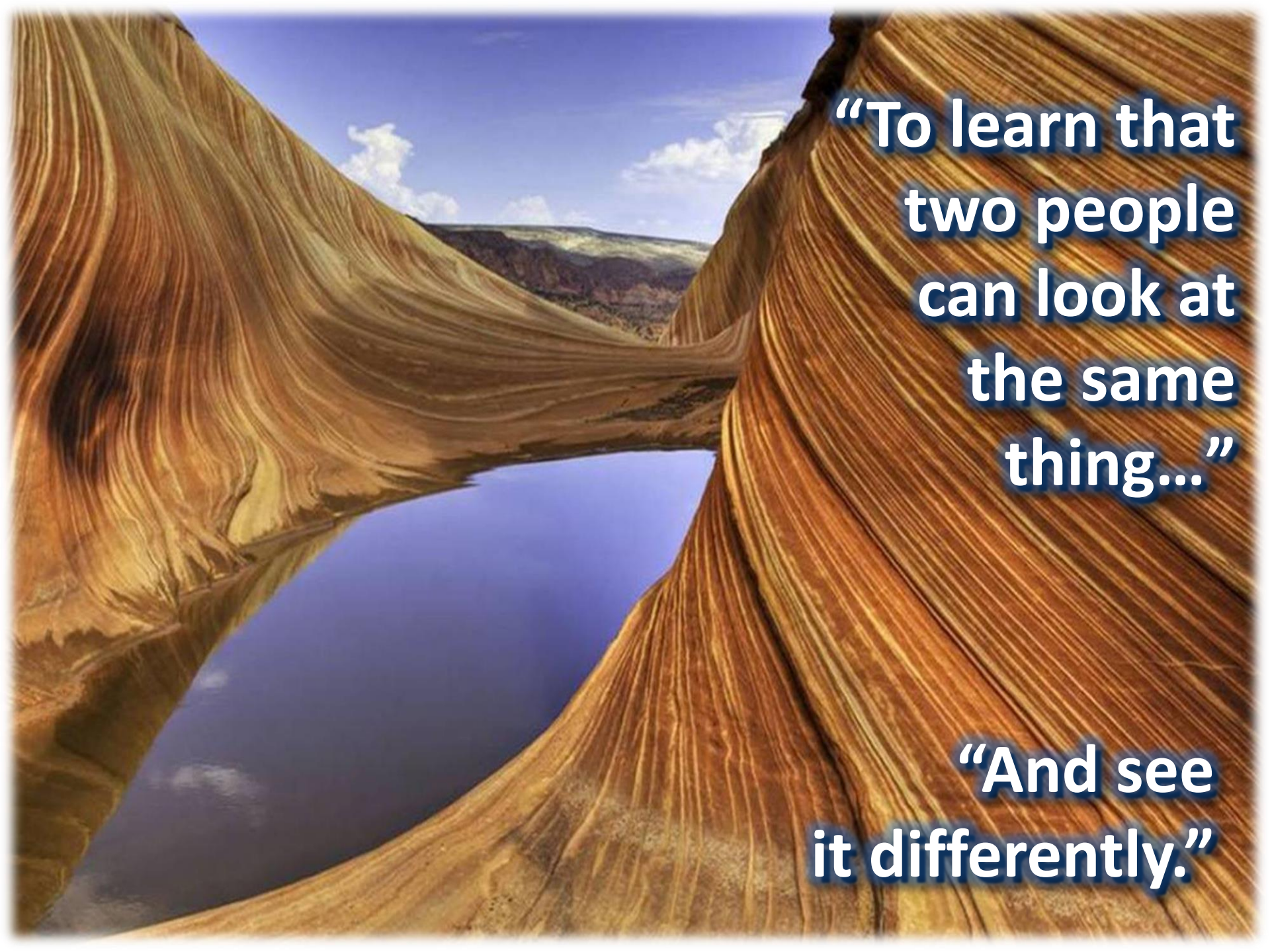
**God said: “To learn that it only takes
a few seconds to open profound
wounds in those you love...”**

**“And it can take
many years
to heal
them.”**

A person is seen from behind, sitting in a kayak on a calm body of water. The sun is setting, creating a vibrant orange and yellow glow across the sky and reflecting on the water's surface. The person is wearing a dark jacket and a cap, and is holding a paddle. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

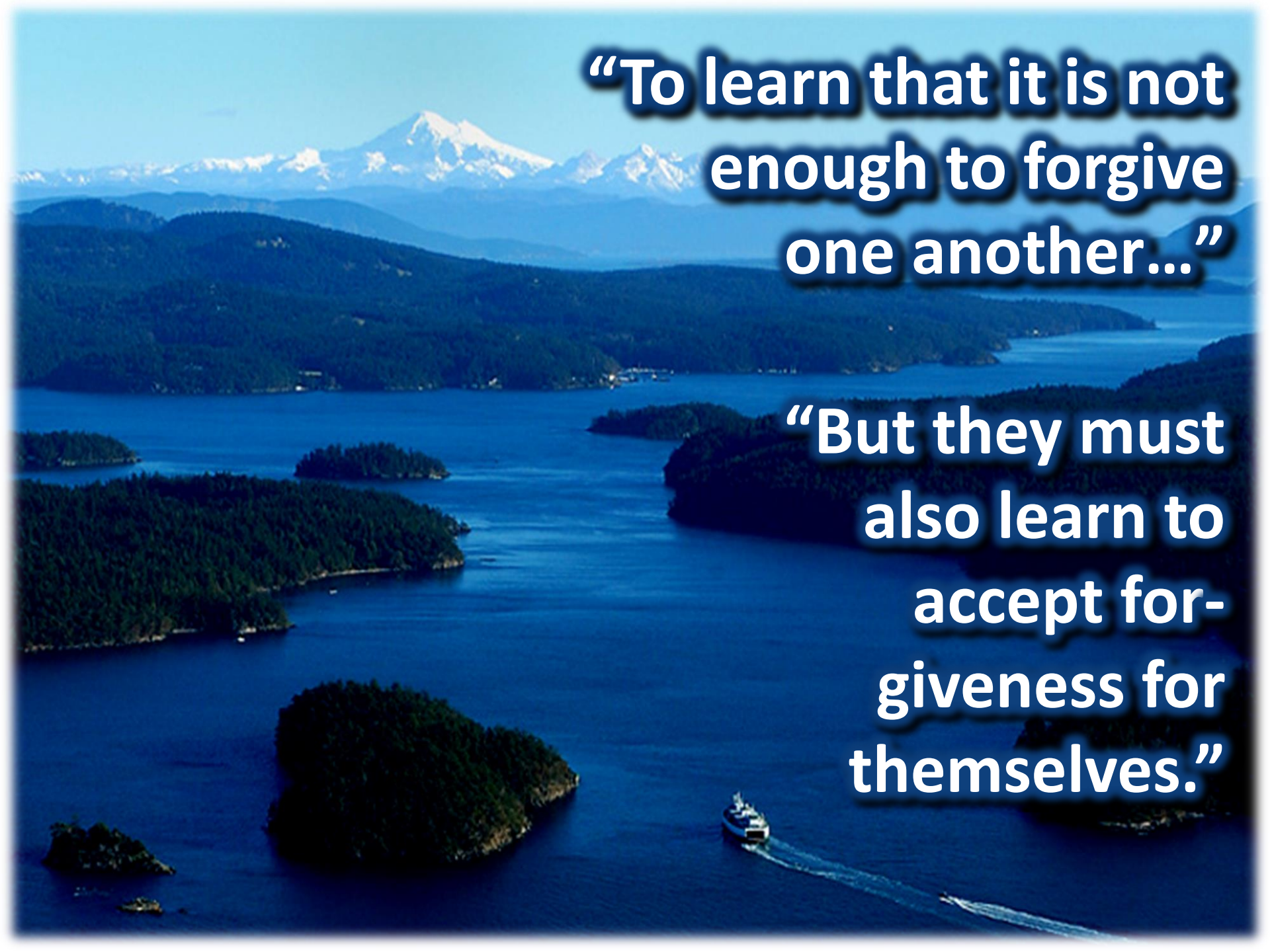
**“To learn that there are good people
who love dearly...”**

**“But simply have
not yet learned
how to expose
or show their
feelings.”**

A photograph of a canyon with layered rock walls and a river at the bottom. The rock walls are reddish-brown and show distinct horizontal and vertical striations, suggesting sedimentary layers. The river is a deep blue color, reflecting the sky. The sky is a clear, bright blue with a few wispy white clouds. The overall scene is a natural landscape with a focus on geological formations.

**“To learn that
two people
can look at
the same
thing...”**

**“And see
it differently.”**



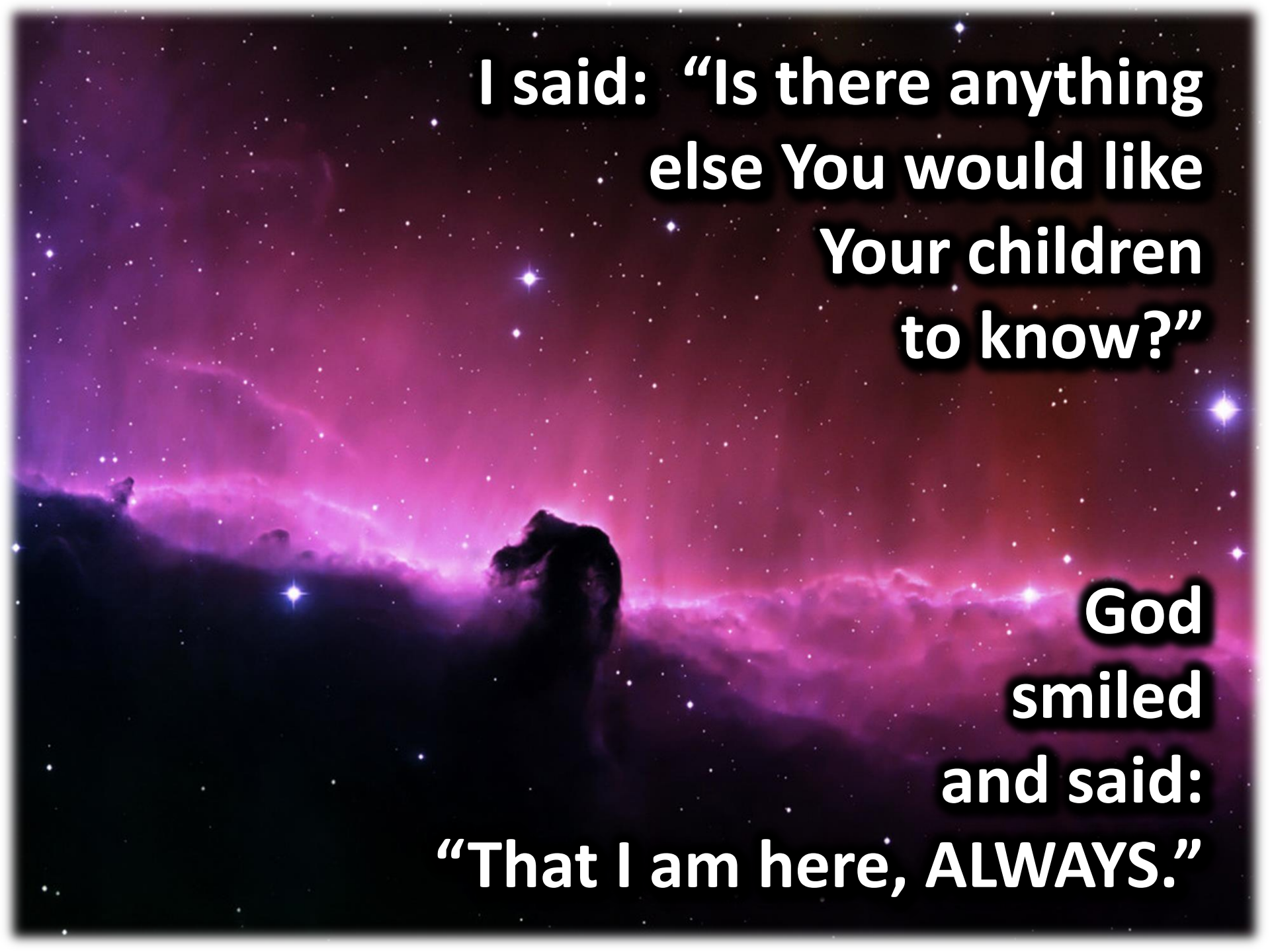
**“To learn that it is not
enough to forgive
one another...”**

**“But they must
also learn to
accept for-
giveness for
themselves.”**



**“Thank You for
Your time...”**

**I said
humbly...**

A vibrant purple and pink nebula with a silhouette of a person looking up at the stars.

**I said: “Is there anything
else You would like
Your children
to know?”**

**God
smiled
and said:
“That I am here, ALWAYS.”**

2 Tim 4:14-22

Final Instructions

**2 Tim 4:19 *Greet
Prisca & Aquila.***

***Faithful, zealous friends
& tentmakers Acts 18:1-3***

***Ardent Christians.
Taught Apollos Acts 18:26.***

***Risked lives for Paul
Own necks Rom 16:3-4***

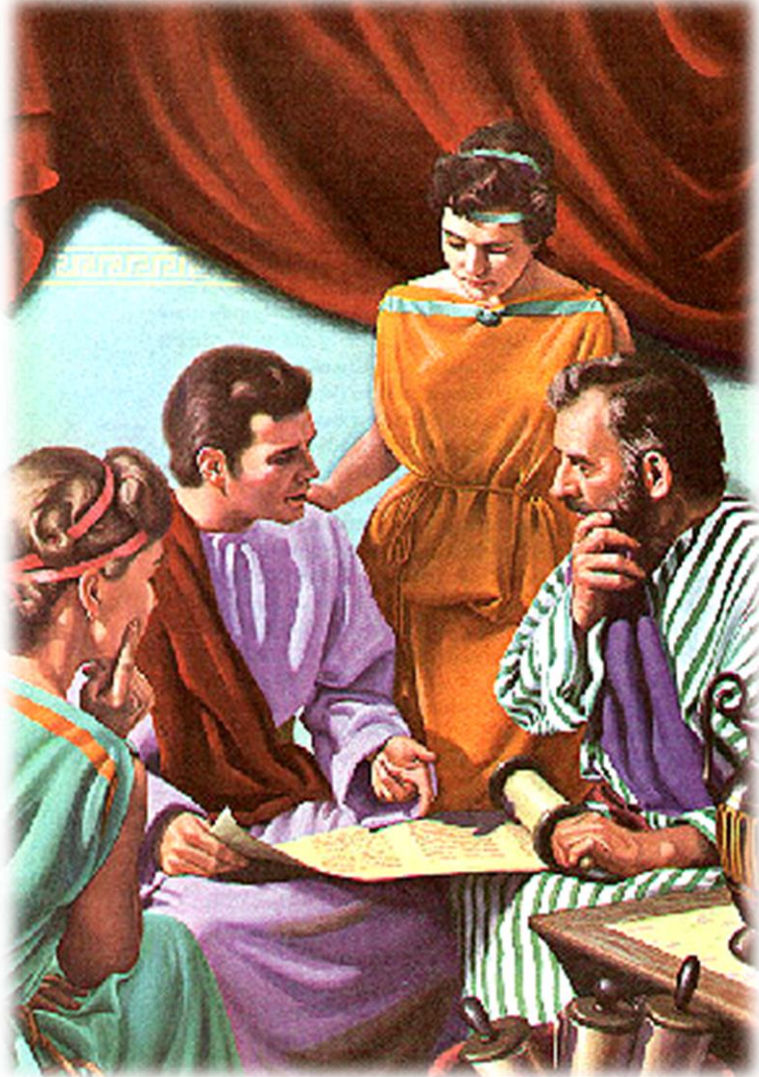
***Settled in Ephesus
Timothy in Ephesus 1 Tim 1:3; so can greet them.***

Great to Know believers like that! Are **YOU** like that?



2 Tim 4:14-22

Final Instructions



2 Tim 4:19 And [greet] the household of Onesiphorus.

Faithful Christians at Ephesus. He encouraged Paul at Rome and unashamed of his chains. (2 Tim 1:16)

Not the same as Onesimus at Colossee (Col 4:9)

2 Tim 4:14-22

Final Instructions

2 Tim 4:20 Erastus remained at Corinth.



Here is a paving stone from Corinth with the name **Erastus** engraved originally filled with bronze. This states he was a Roman official. Dating before AD 50.

A **teacher** & Paul's **helper** along with Timothy. (Acts 19:22)

Also city **treasurer** at Corinth (Rom 16:23)

2 Tim 4:14-22

Final Instructions



2 Tim 4:20

“But *Trophimus*
I left sick
at *Miletus*.”

Trusted Ephesian saint.

A messenger on 3rd journey (Acts 20:3-4)
With Paul at Jerusalem riot (Acts 21:29)

Note: Miracles *Not* for convenience (Mark 16:20) !

2 Tim 4:14-22 Final Instructions

2 Tim 4:21a Make every effort
to come *before winter*.

v.22b *The Lord be with your **spirit**.*
To help him overcome natural timidity (2 Tim 1:7)

v.22c ***Grace** be with you (plural, all at Ephesus)*

Tradition suggests: Paul's letter perhaps sent March 1st.
Timothy may have **arrived** June 1st.
Paul **executed** June 15th (AD 68)

Read Conybeare ; **Life & Epistles of St Paul** p . 782-783