

The background of the slide is a photograph of ancient stone ruins on a hillside. The ruins consist of several tiers of stone steps or platforms, some of which are partially overgrown with moss and small plants. The lighting is dramatic, with strong shadows and highlights, suggesting a bright day. The sky is a clear, deep blue. The overall scene conveys a sense of history and enduring structures.

Philippians

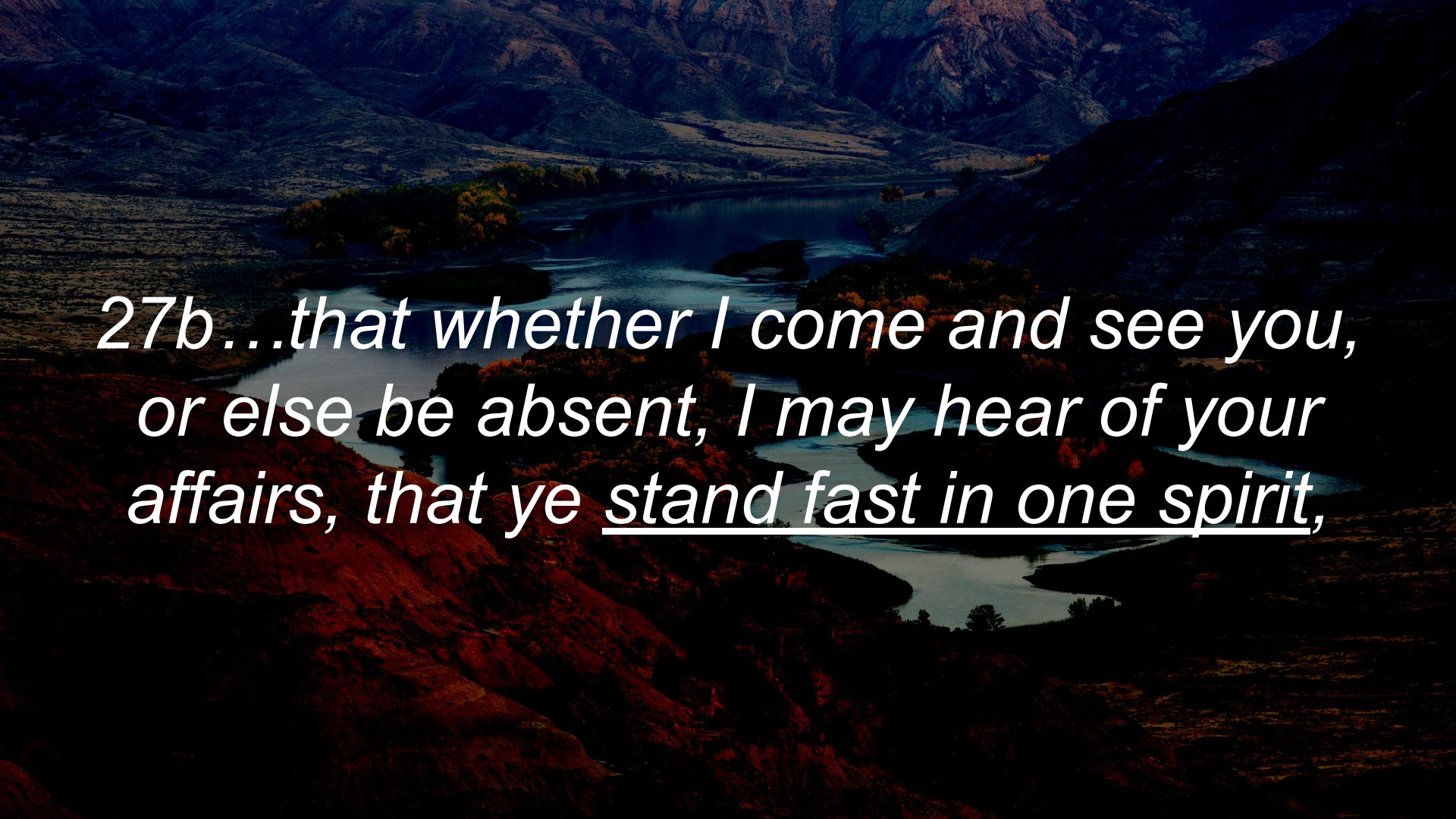
Your Identity in Suffering



*27a Only let your conversation be as it
becometh the gospel of Christ:*

A scenic landscape featuring a large, layered rock formation in the background and a small boat with two people on a river in the foreground. The text "Conversation: like citizenship..." is overlaid in white, with "Conversation" underlined.

Conversation: like citizenship...

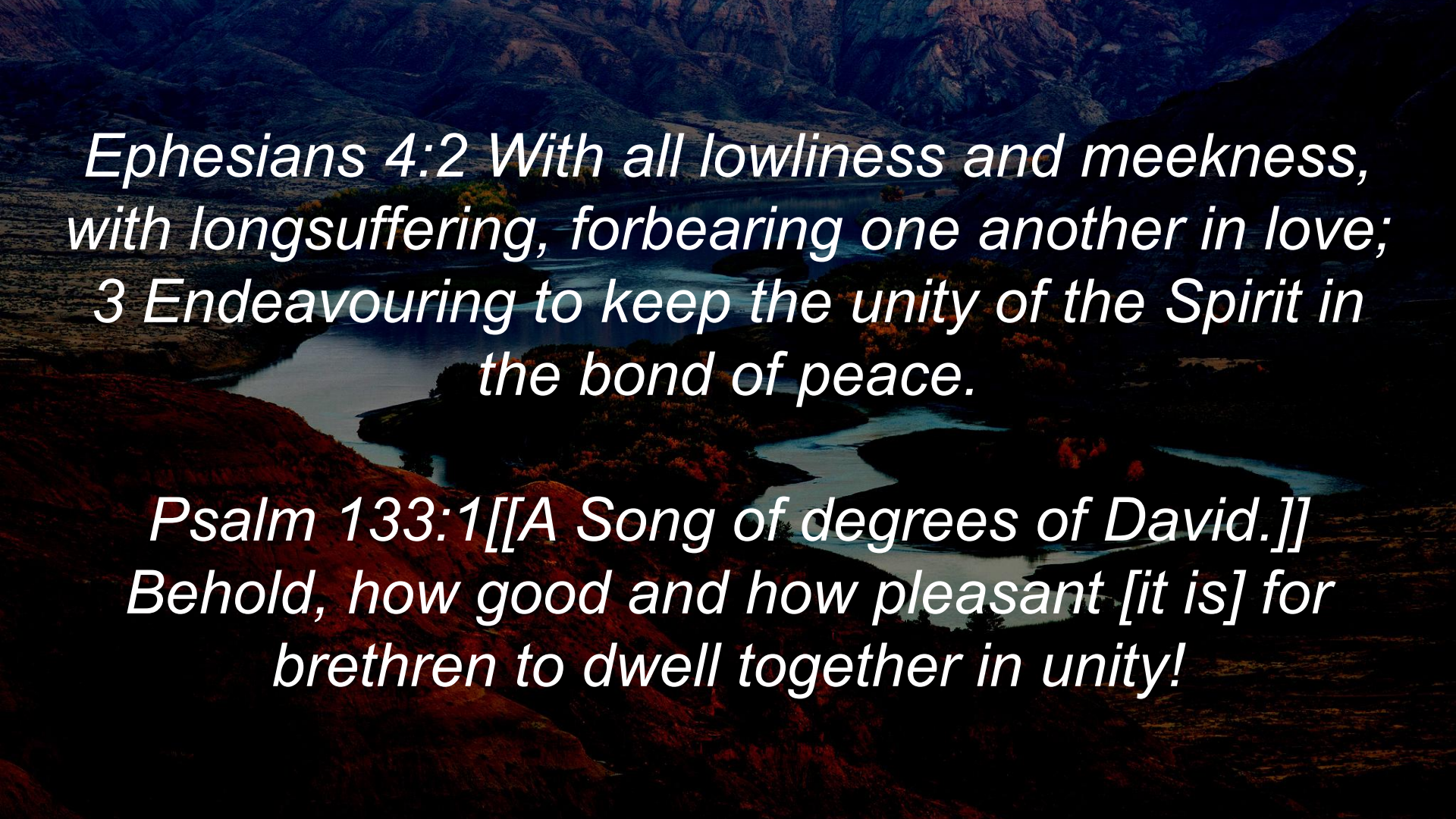


*27b...that whether I come and see you,
or else be absent, I may hear of your
affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit,*



Stand fast: planted firm or fastened

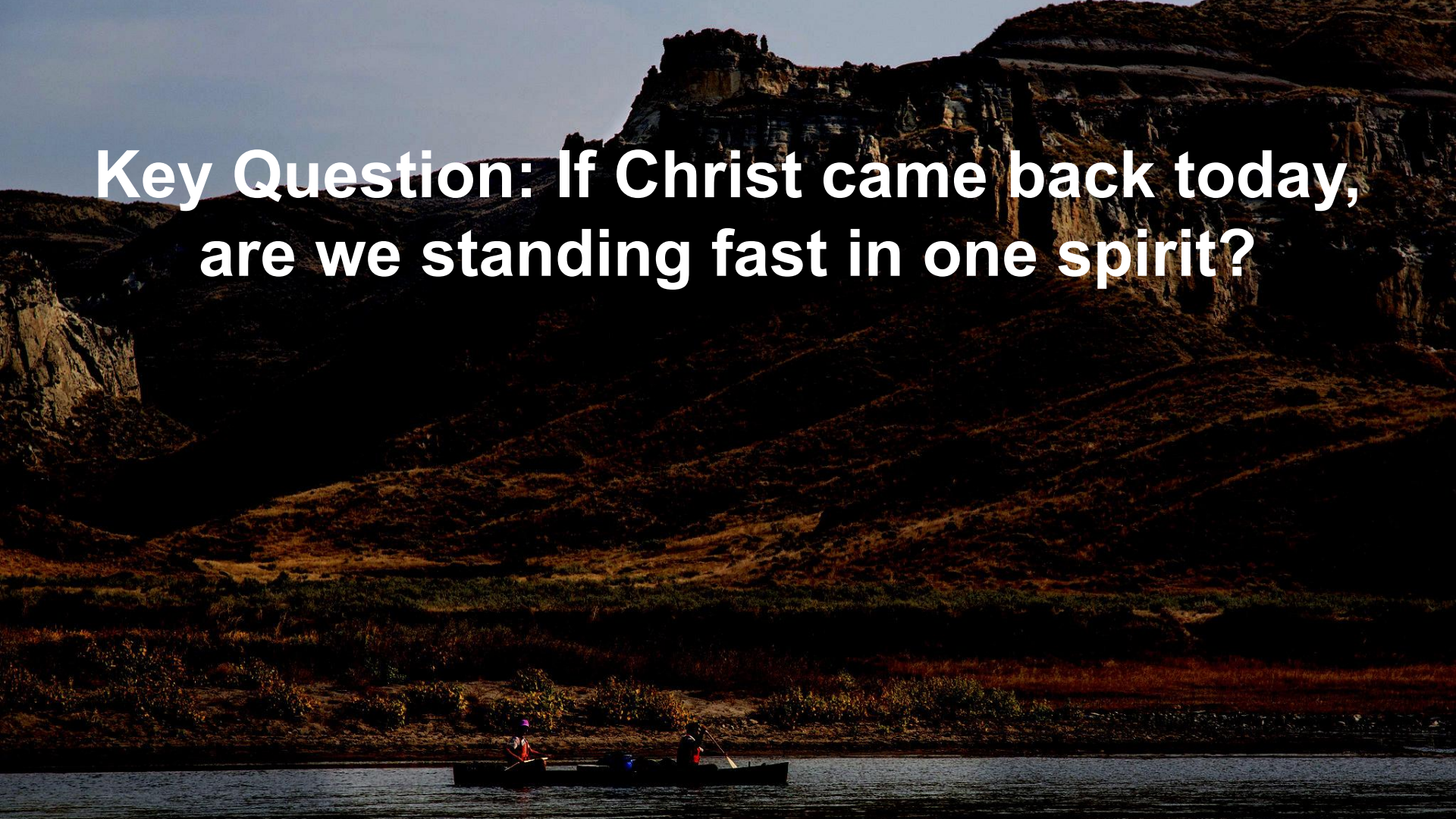
One Spirit: The Spirit of God!

A scenic landscape featuring a winding river that flows through a valley. The river is surrounded by lush greenery and trees, with some trees showing autumnal colors. In the background, there are large, rugged mountains under a clear sky. The overall scene is peaceful and natural.

*Ephesians 4:2 With all lowliness and meekness,
with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love;
3 Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in
the bond of peace.*

*Psalm 133:1 [[A Song of degrees of David.]]
Behold, how good and how pleasant [it is] for
brethren to dwell together in unity!*

**Key Question: If Christ came back today,
are we standing fast in one spirit?**



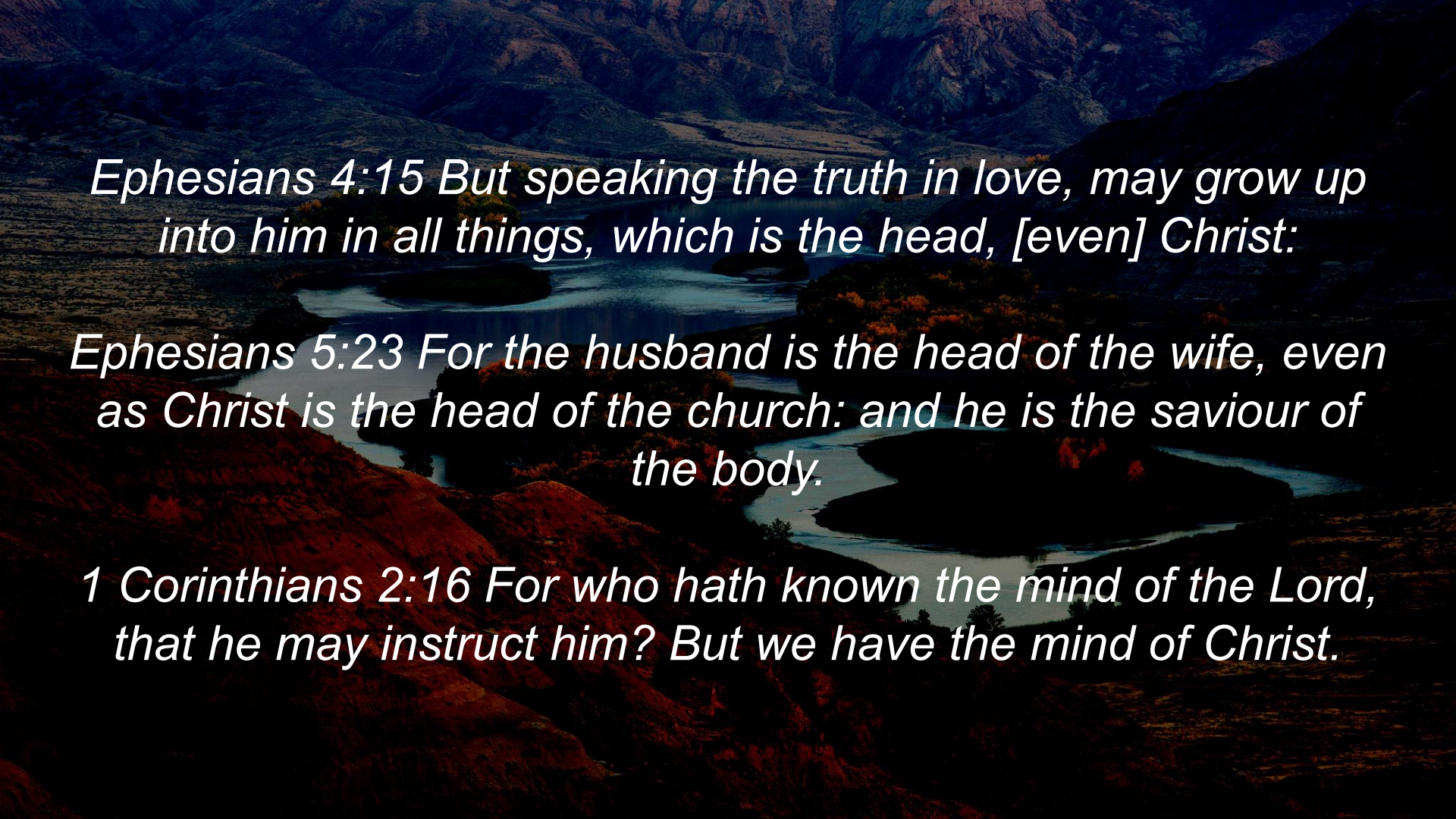


**Key Question: If Christ came back today,
are we standing fast in one spirit?**

**Key: Being a leader means leading others
into unity.**



*27c...with one mind¹ striving² together³
for the faith of the gospel;*

A scenic landscape featuring a winding river that flows through a valley. The river is surrounded by lush greenery and small islands. In the background, there are large, rugged mountains under a clear sky. The foreground shows a steep, rocky hillside with some sparse vegetation.

Ephesians 4:15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, [even] Christ:

Ephesians 5:23 For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.

1 Corinthians 2:16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.



¹MBT Ministry Principle:

**We have a final authority in the word of
God.**

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²Key Question: Are you at work for the
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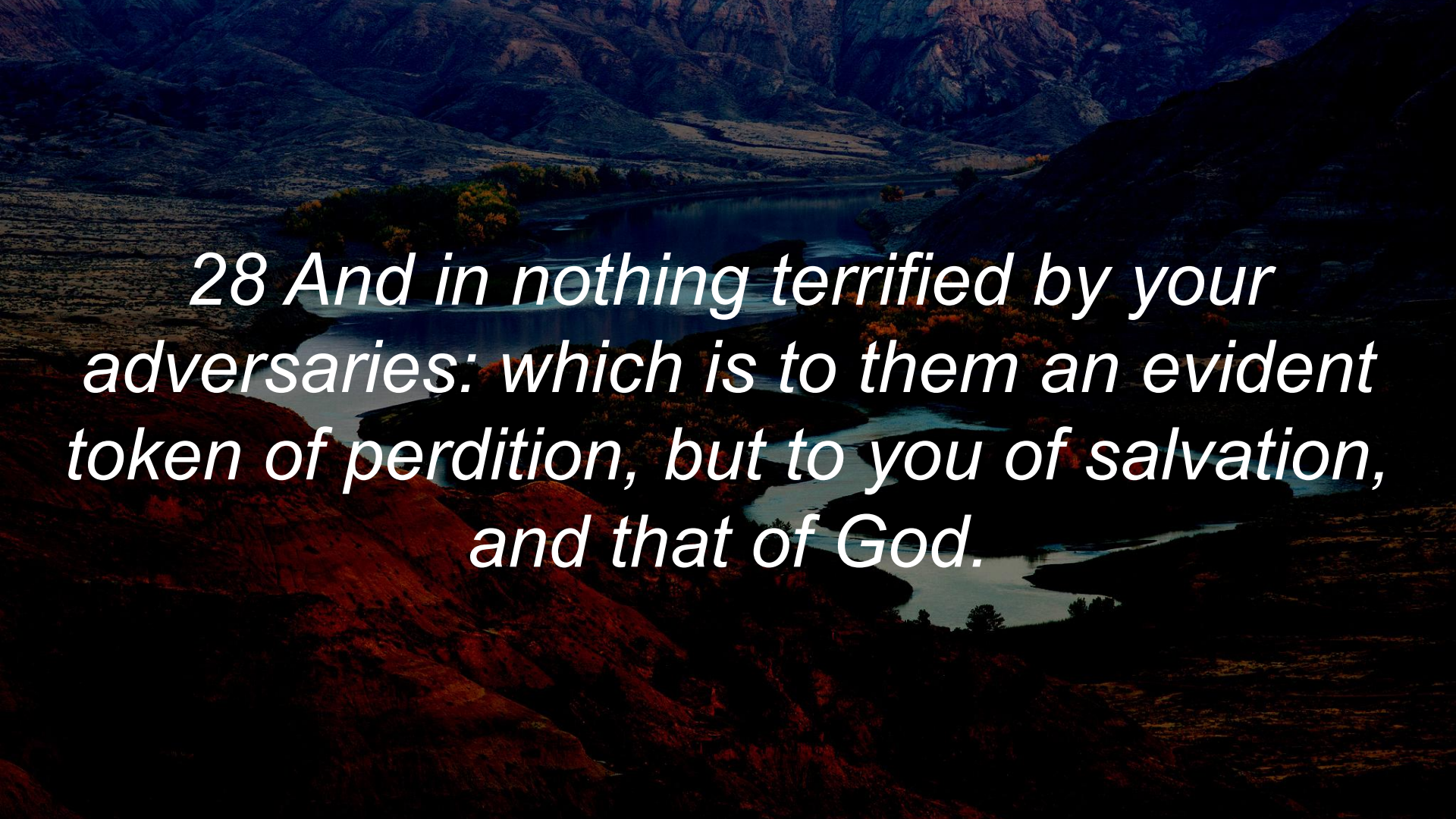
Striving together: working together

²Key Question: Are you at work for the faith of the gospel?

³Key Question: Are you at work *together* for the faith of the gospel?

A scenic landscape featuring a large, layered rock formation in the background. The rock formation has distinct horizontal layers and a prominent, dark, jagged peak. The foreground shows a body of water with two people in a small boat. The overall scene is bathed in warm, golden light, suggesting late afternoon or early morning. The text "Key: Co-Laborers are better than friends." is overlaid in white, bold font, with the word "Key" underlined.

Key: Co-Laborers are better than friends.

A scenic landscape featuring a winding river that flows through a valley. The river is surrounded by lush greenery and small trees. In the background, there are large, rugged mountains with some snow patches. The foreground shows a steep, rocky hillside with sparse vegetation. The overall scene is bathed in a soft, golden light, suggesting either sunrise or sunset. The text is overlaid on the center of the image in a white, serif font.

*28 And in nothing terrified by your
adversaries: which is to them an evident
token of perdition, but to you of salvation,
and that of God.*

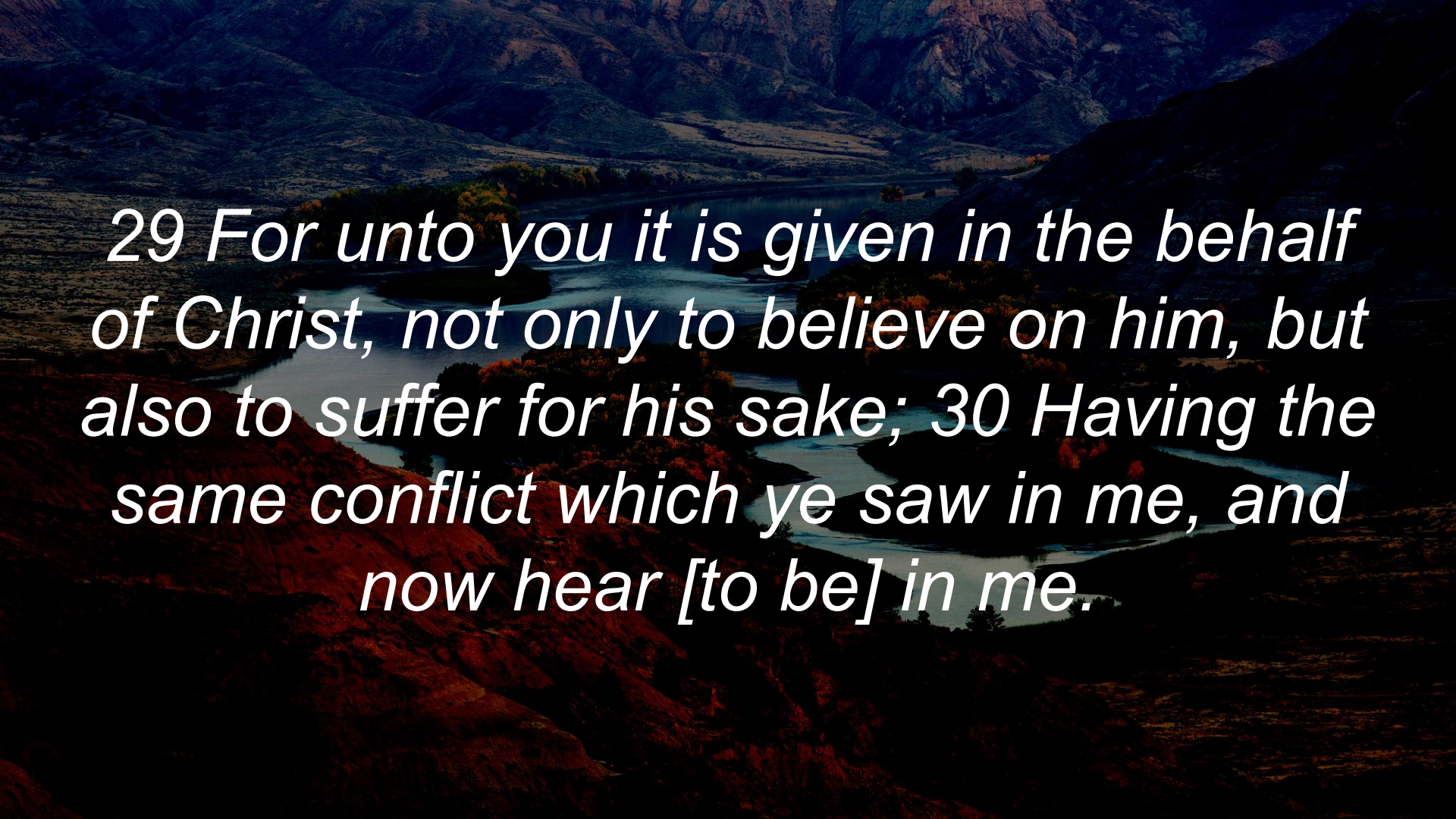


**Evident token of perdition:
a proof of their guilt and judgment**



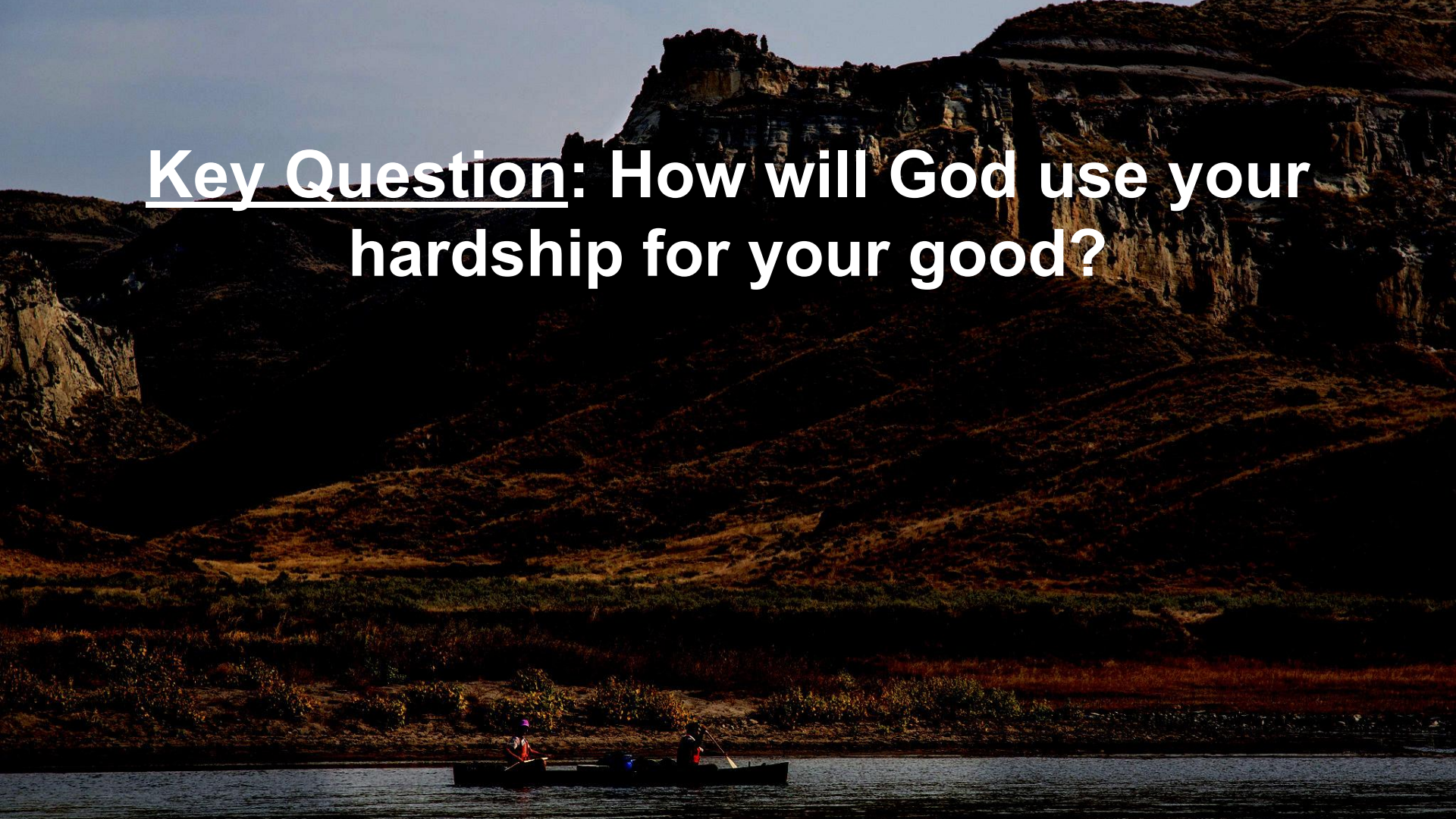
Acts 6:8-15

Acts 7:54-60



29 For unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for his sake; 30 Having the same conflict which ye saw in me, and now hear [to be] in me.

**Key Question: How will God use your
hardship for your good?**





Key Question: How will God use your hardship for your good?

Key: Be full of faith and trust God through whatever you find yourself in this morning.