



THE FINAL ACT

SCENES FROM MARK'S GOSPEL



the **END** and the
BEGINNING

Mark 15:15–16:8



JAY
CRONLEY

One-armed
man applauds
the kindness
of strangers

The other afternoon, a man and a woman came to my door.

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Mississippi's literacy program shows improvement

The Associated Press

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CLEVELAND, Miss. — For

and his late wife, Sally, put up
\$100 million of their own
money to improve "prelitera-
cy" skills for preschoolers and

Planes forced to land at airports

By Ben Baeder
STAFF WRITER

EL MONTE — Air Force fighter jets on Monday chased two small airplanes out of restricted

A notice released Monday morning warned those planning to fly small, pri-

Marijuana issue sent to a joint committee

The Toronto Star 06/14/96

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Temple Cleanser Crucified

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No Final Miracle for Miracle-Worker

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King of the Jews Killed By the Romans



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the END...a time of hopeless

DESPAIR

Scourging





Scourging Mockery





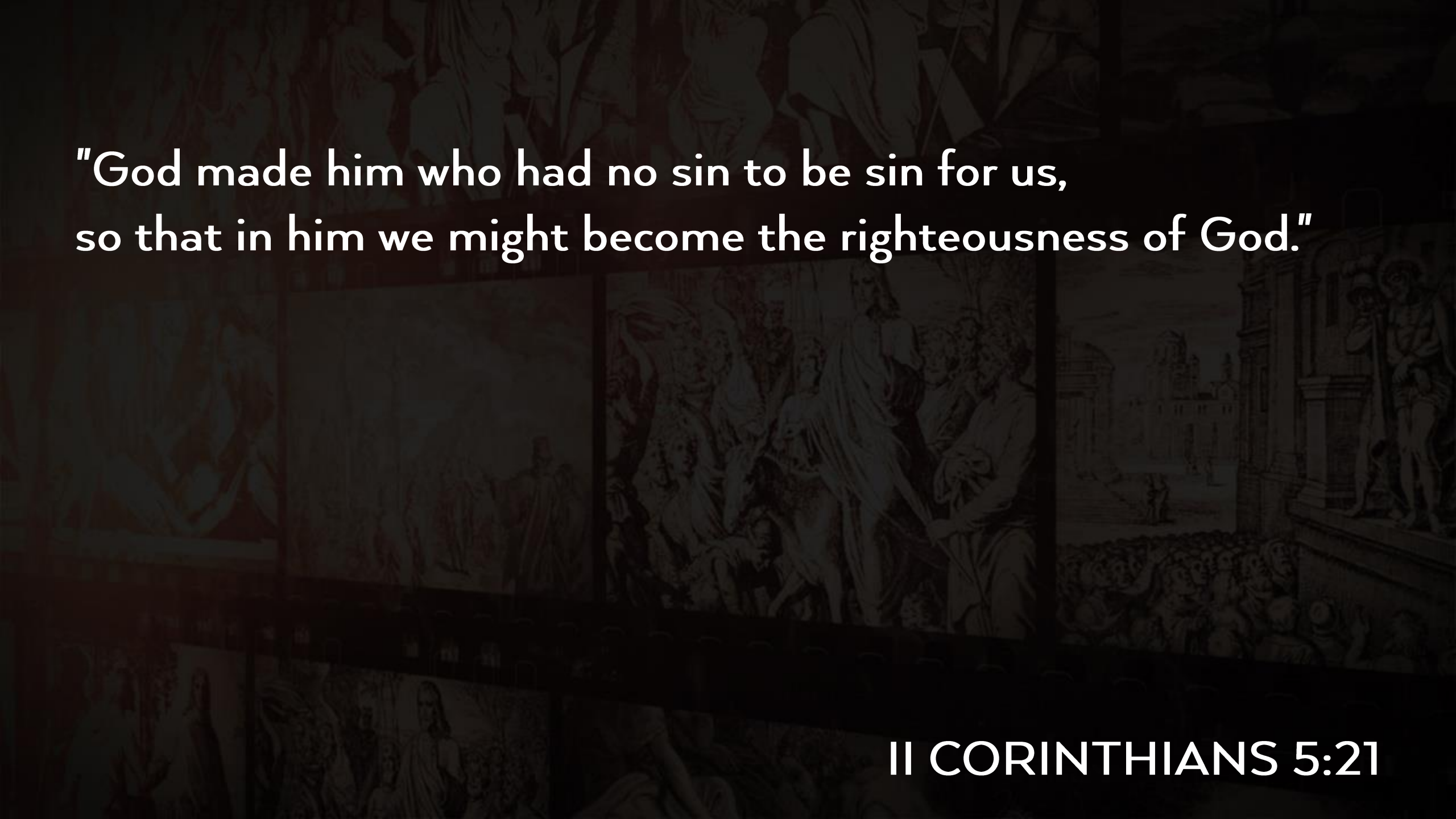
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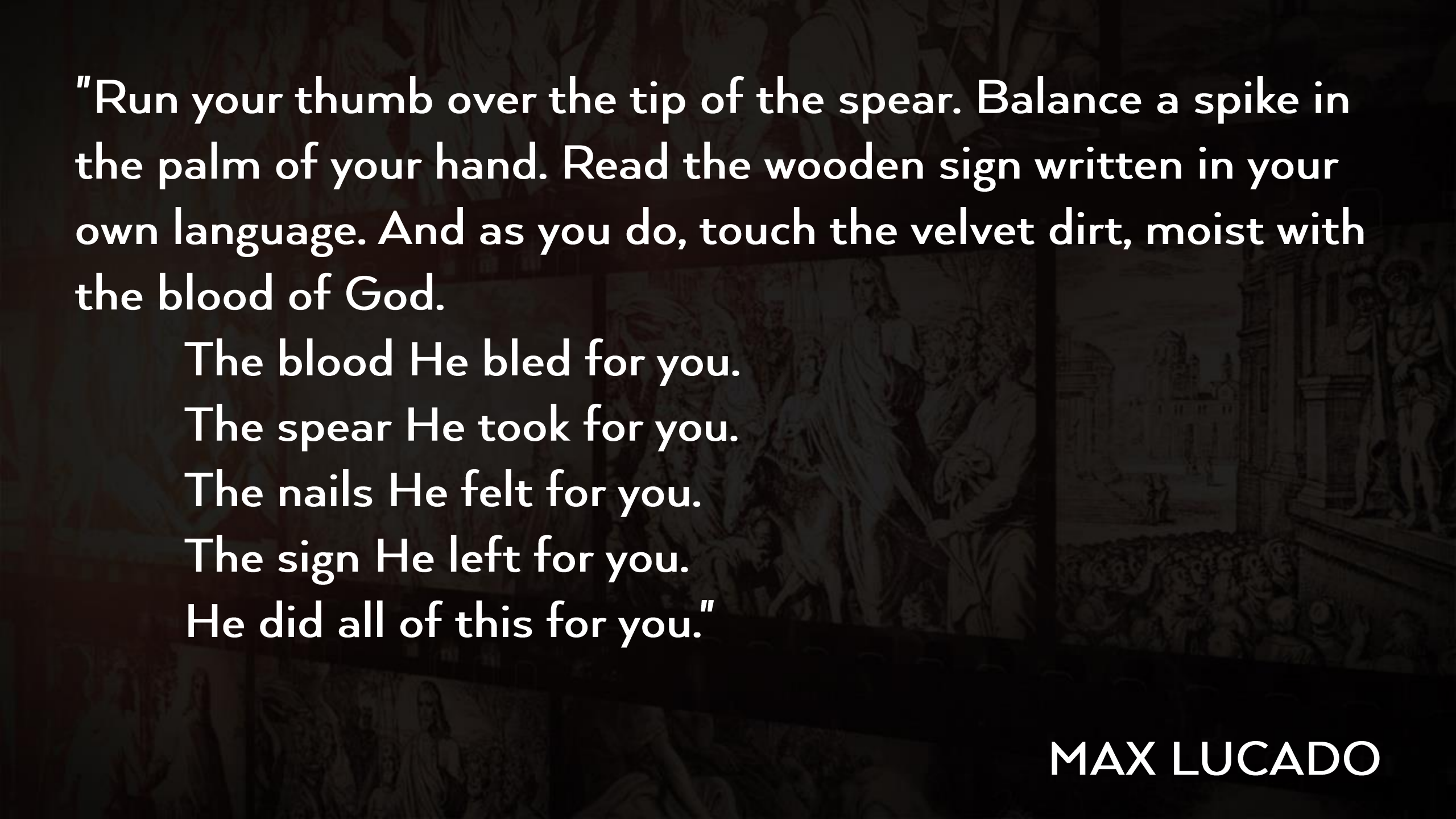






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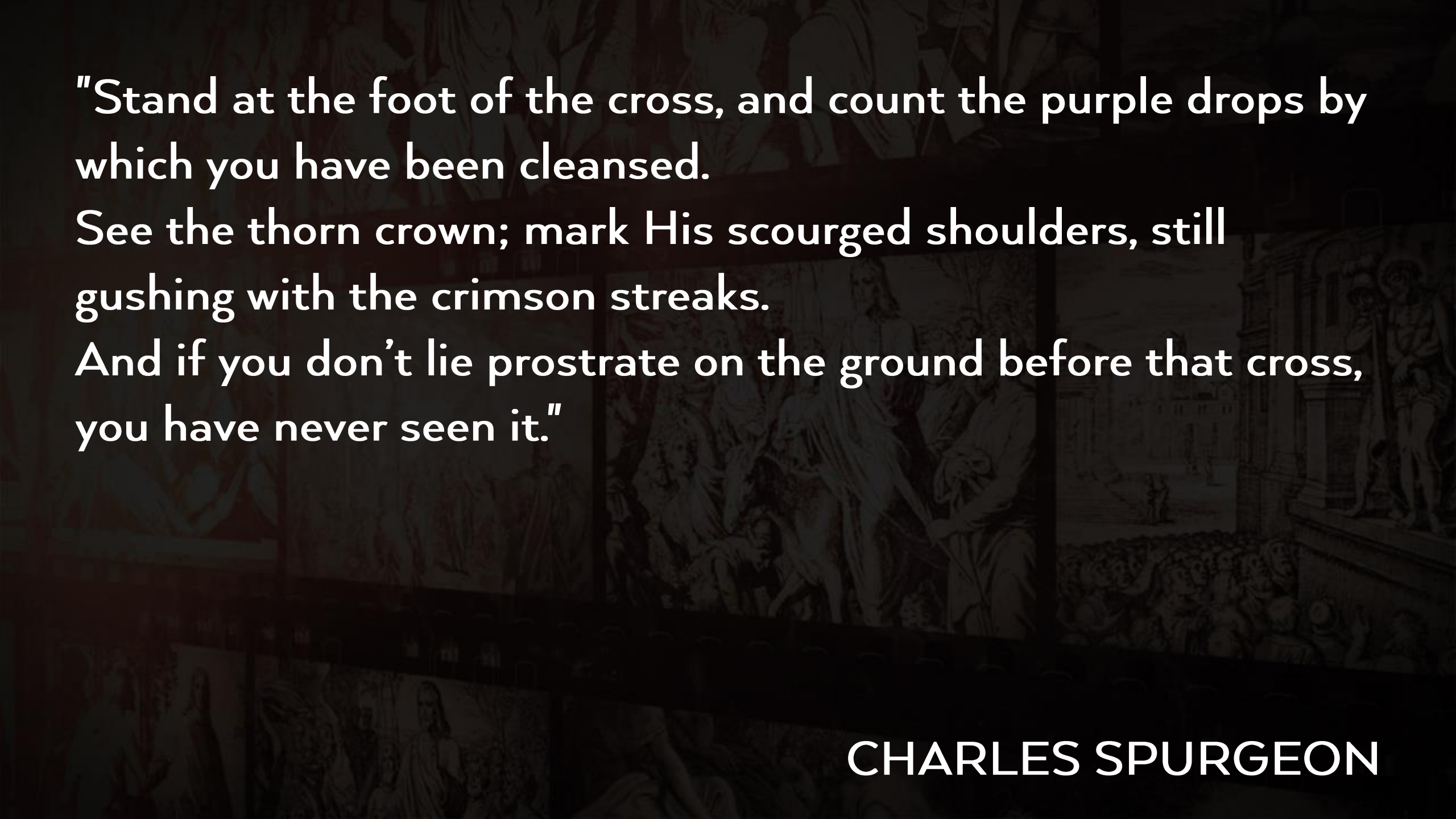
II CORINTHIANS 5:21



"Run your thumb over the tip of the spear. Balance a spike in the palm of your hand. Read the wooden sign written in your own language. And as you do, touch the velvet dirt, moist with the blood of God.

The blood He bled for you.
The spear He took for you.
The nails He felt for you.
The sign He left for you.
He did all of this for you."

MAX LUCADO



"Stand at the foot of the cross, and count the purple drops by which you have been cleansed.

See the thorn crown; mark His scourged shoulders, still gushing with the crimson streaks.

And if you don't lie prostrate on the ground before that cross, you have never seen it."

CHARLES SPURGEON

Scourging

Mockery

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Death





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Burial

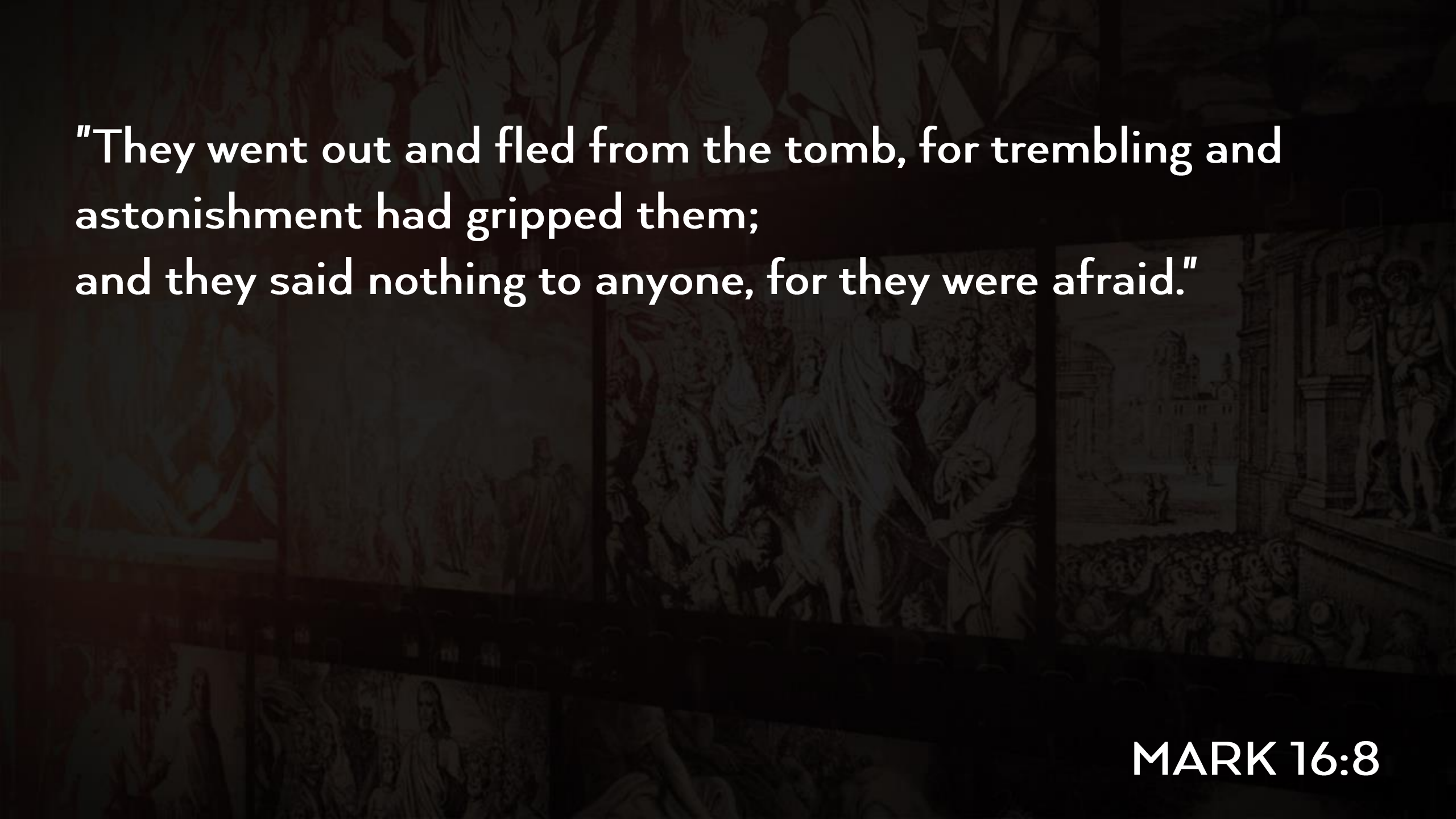






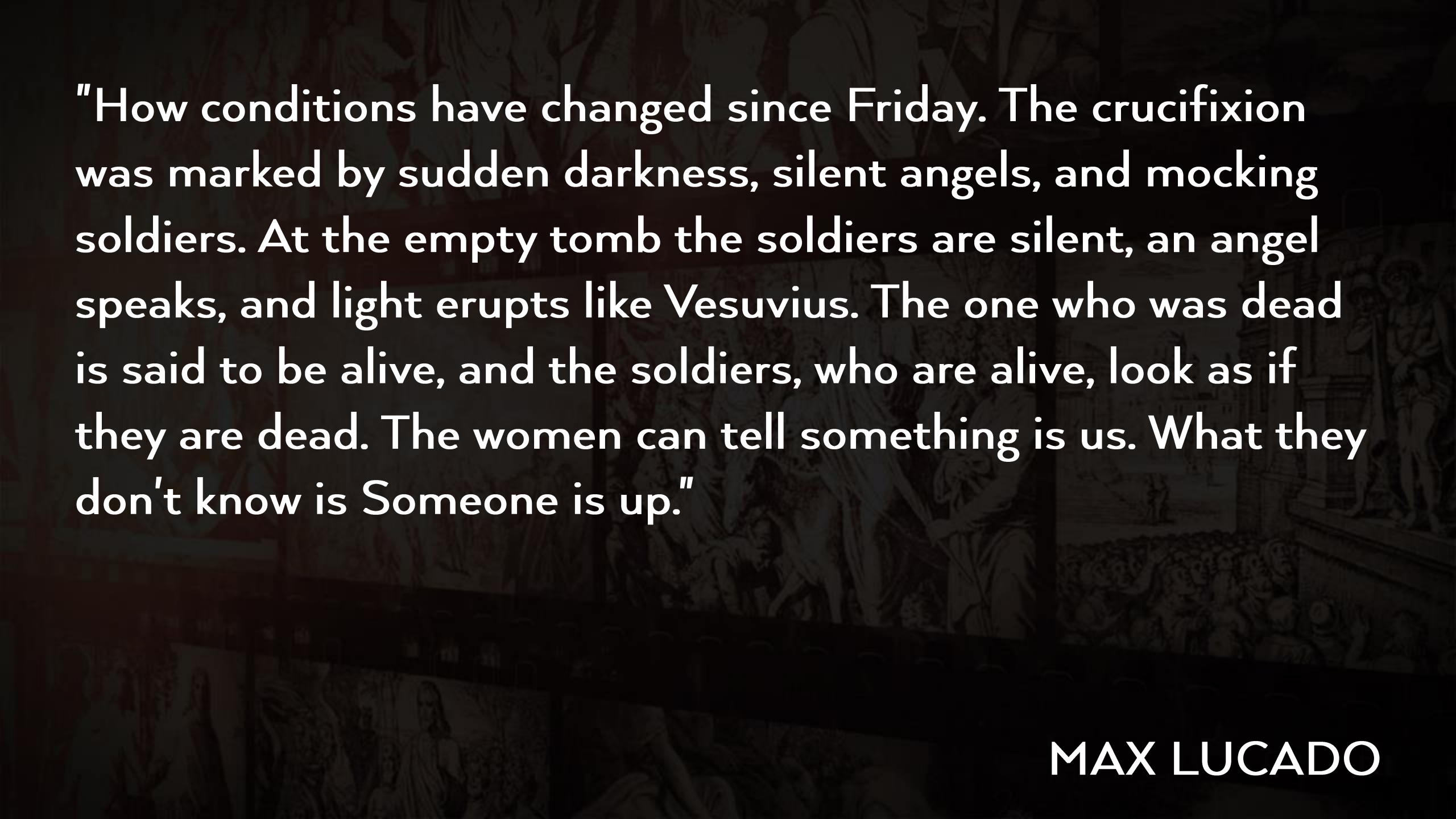


the beginning...a time of hopeful
EXPECTATION



"They went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had gripped them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid."

MARK 16:8



"How conditions have changed since Friday. The crucifixion was marked by sudden darkness, silent angels, and mocking soldiers. At the empty tomb the soldiers are silent, an angel speaks, and light erupts like Vesuvius. The one who was dead is said to be alive, and the soldiers, who are alive, look as if they are dead. The women can tell something is up. What they don't know is Someone is up."

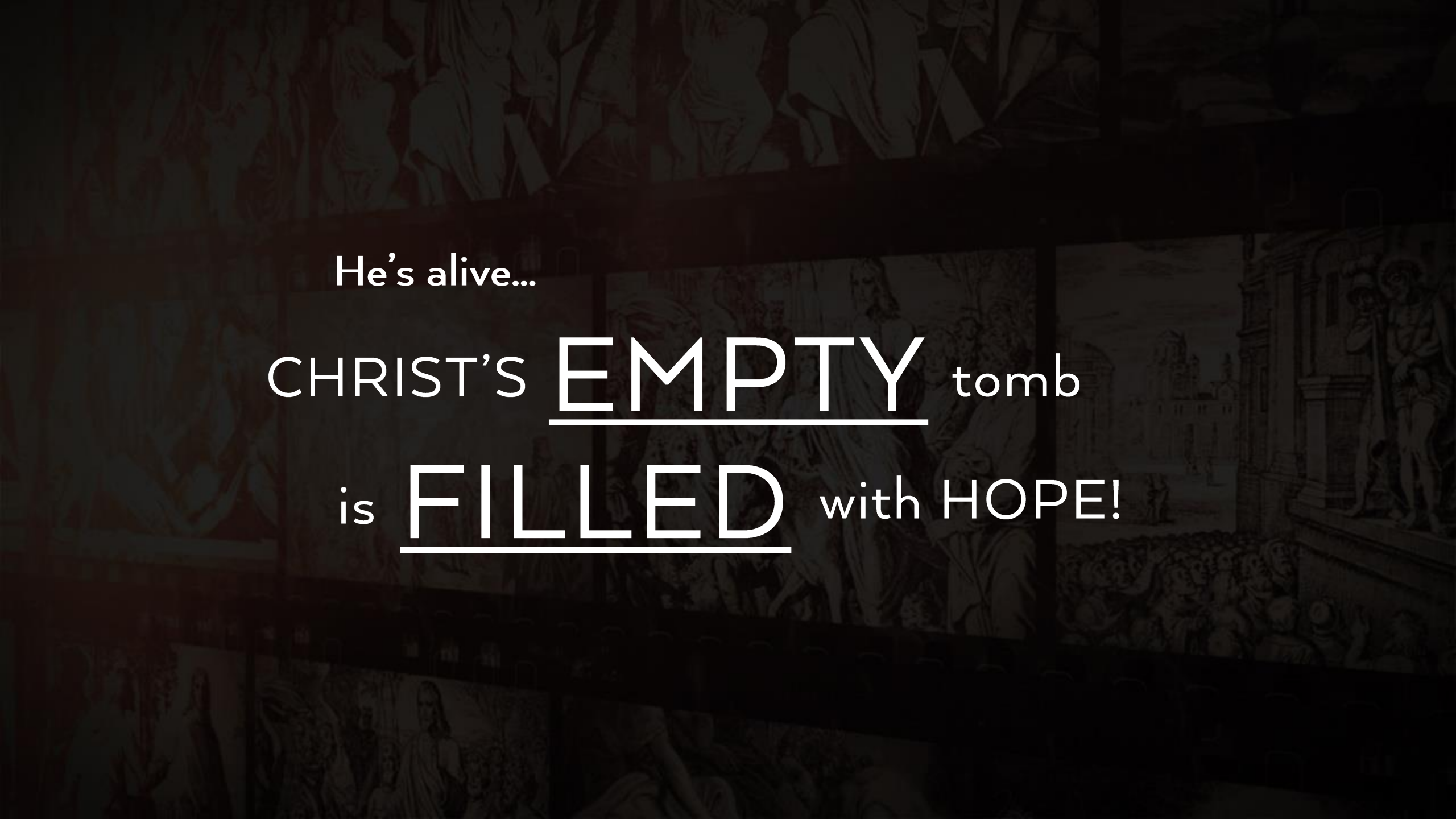
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"If Jesus did not rise from the dead, then nothing in life really matters. But if He did rise from the dead, then nothing else in life really matters!"

C.S. LEWIS

"And He said to them, 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.'"

MARK 16:15



He's alive...

CHRIST'S EMPTY tomb

is FILLED with HOPE!