

# NEVER FORGET

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# A Different Kind of Hope

## 1 Peter 1:17-24



**A proper understanding of our Father brings  
a different kind of hope.**

Since you call on a Father who judges each  
person's work impartially, live out your time as  
foreigners here in reverent fear.

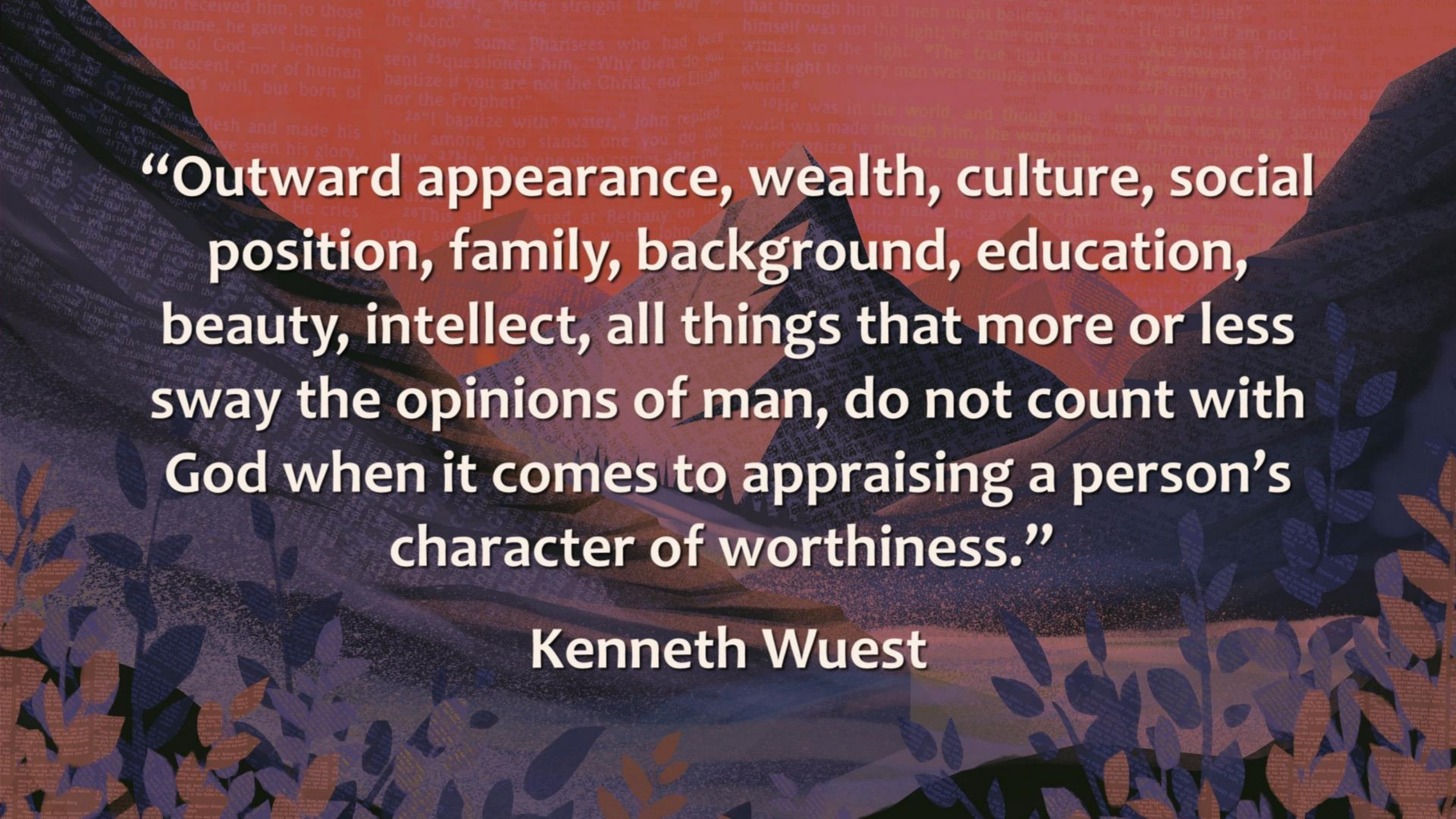
1 Peter 1:17











**“Outward appearance, wealth, culture, social position, family, background, education, beauty, intellect, all things that more or less sway the opinions of man, do not count with God when it comes to appraising a person’s character of worthiness.”**

**Kenneth Wuest**



**A proper understanding of salvation reveals a  
different kind of hope.**

For you know that it was not with perishable things  
such as silver or gold that you were redeemed  
from the empty way of life handed down to you  
from your ancestors, but with the precious blood  
of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

1 Peter 1:18-19



So, give your servant a discerning heart to  
govern your people and to distinguish  
between right and wrong. For who is able to  
govern this great people of yours?

1 Kings 3:19



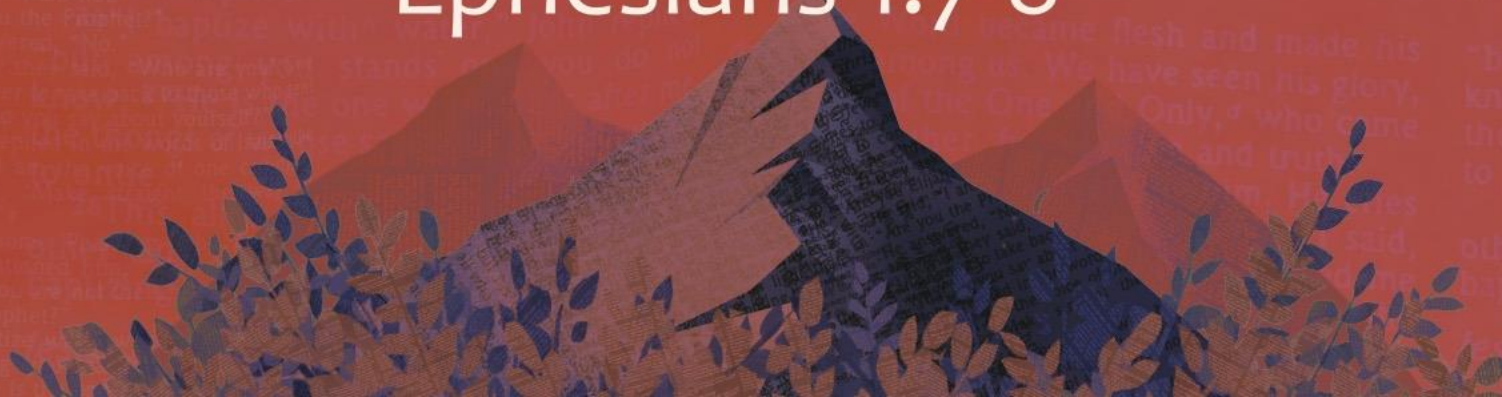


**Only one more week until I let a  
professional football team  
determine my mood for the next  
four months.**



In him, we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight.

Ephesians 1:7-8





1. He has delivered us from slavery to the world and things in it.
2. He has come near to us and made Himself known in countless ways





# A proper understanding of Jesus establishes a different kind of hope.

He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

1 Peter 1:20-21



Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

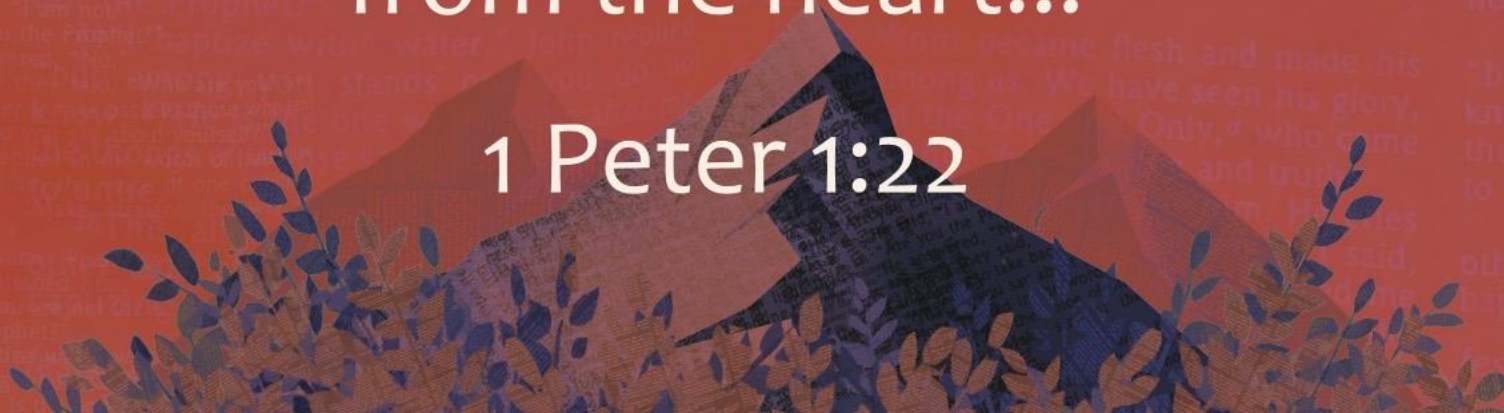
Philippians 2:5-8



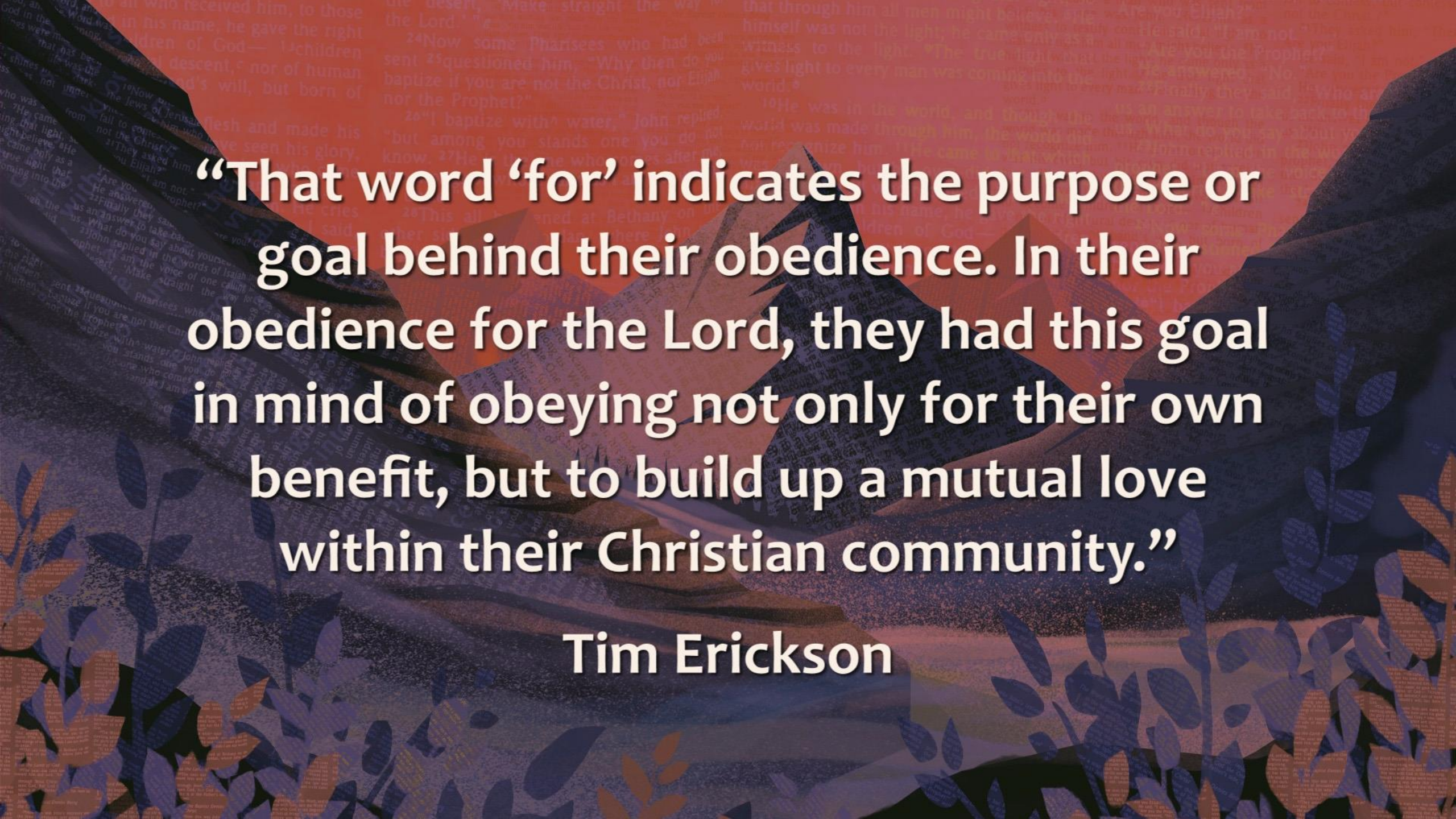
**A proper understanding of love launches us  
into a different kind of hope.**

Now that you have purified yourselves by  
obeying the truth so that you have sincere  
love for each other, love one another deeply,  
from the heart...

1 Peter 1:22







**“That word ‘for’ indicates the purpose or goal behind their obedience. In their obedience for the Lord, they had this goal in mind of obeying not only for their own benefit, but to build up a mutual love within their Christian community.”**

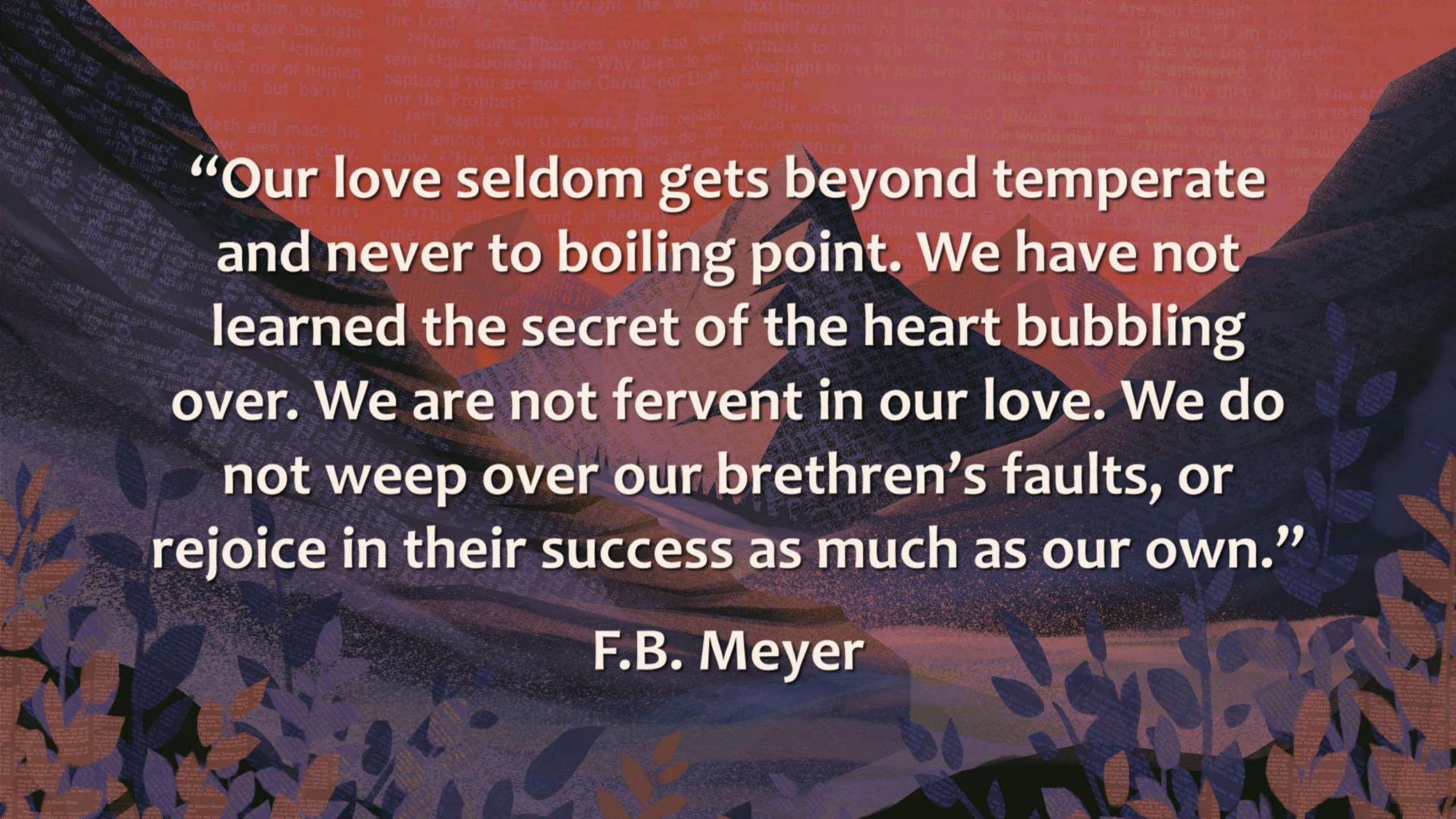
**Tim Erickson**



# “Fileo” – Brotherly Love “Agape” – Willful, Sacrificial Love





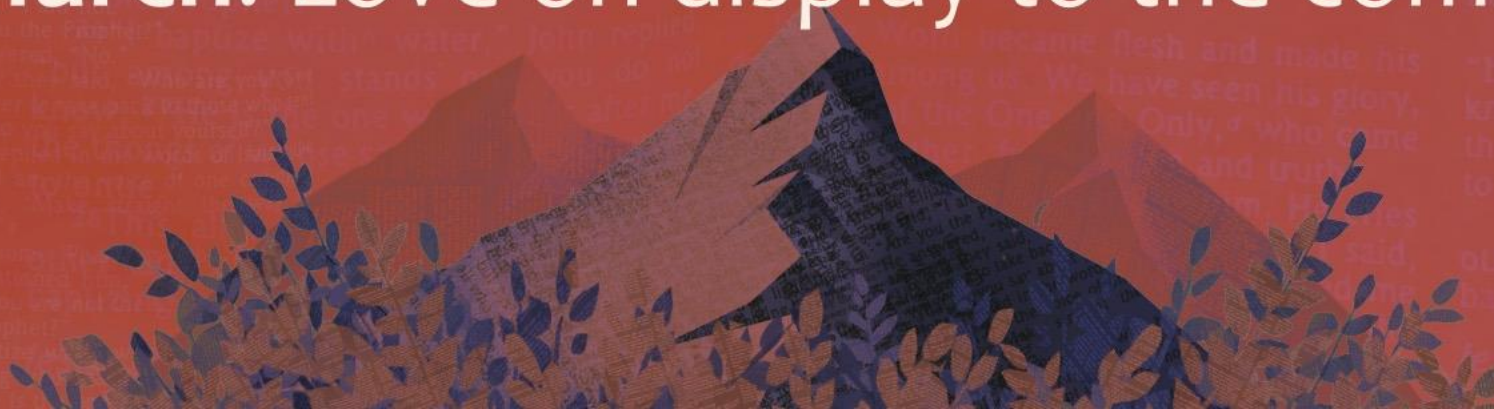


**“Our love seldom gets beyond temperate  
and never to boiling point. We have not  
learned the secret of the heart bubbling  
over. We are not fervent in our love. We do  
not weep over our brethren’s faults, or  
rejoice in their success as much as our own.”**

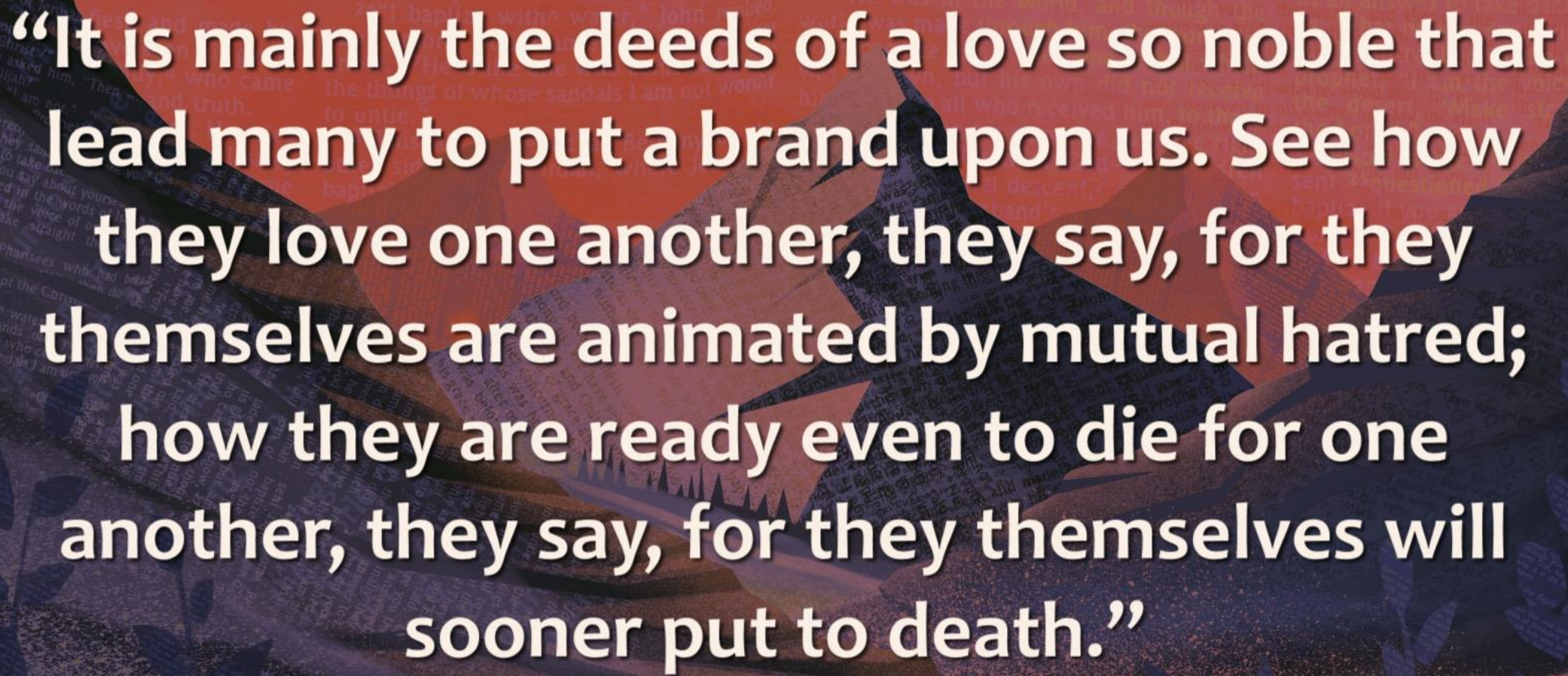
**F.B. Meyer**



1. **Marriage:** Competing to show love
2. **Family:** Keep no record of wrongs
3. **Work:** Being the best while valuing people
4. **Small Group:** Sacrificial & Active
5. **Neighborhood:** Inviting & Hospitable
6. **Church:** Love on display to the community







**“It is mainly the deeds of a love so noble that lead many to put a brand upon us. See how they love one another, they say, for they themselves are animated by mutual hatred; how they are ready even to die for one another, they say, for they themselves will sooner put to death.”**

**Tertullian**



# A proper understanding of eternity enables us to live a different kind of hope.

For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God. For, "All people are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord endures forever." And this is the word that was preached to you.

1 Peter 1:23-25



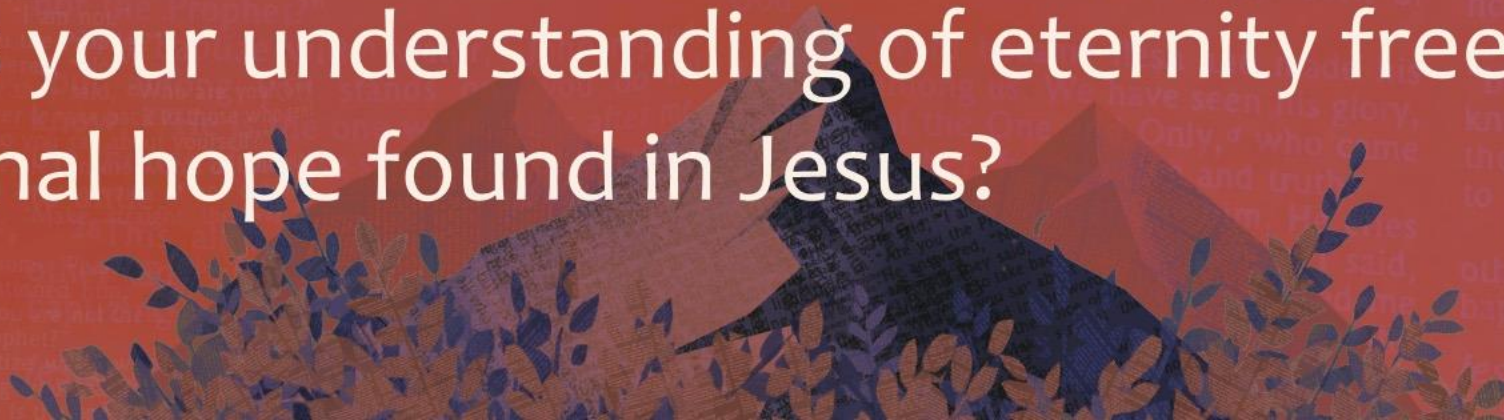


“Yet you do not  
know what  
tomorrow will bring.  
What is your life? For  
you are a mist that  
appears for a little  
time and then  
vanishes.”

James 4:14



1. Do you embrace hope in an eternal Father?
2. Do you understand that salvation frees you from an obsession with stuff?
3. Are you established in the hope that Jesus has provided through His blood?
4. Do you make it a habit to continually stretch yourself thin in loving others?
5. Does your understanding of eternity free you to eternal hope found in Jesus?







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