

# MAN'S RESPONSIBILITY TO

*God*

**Does Man Have A Responsibility?  
What Is Our Responsibility?  
What Is Responsibility?**

# Responsibility

- ▶ the state or fact of being responsible, answerable, or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management.
- ▶ an instance of being responsible

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- ▶ a particular burden of obligation upon one who is responsible:
- ▶ a person or thing for which one is responsible:
- ▶ reliability or dependability, especially in meeting debts or payments.

# Responsibility To God

- ▶ To attempt to list everything for which we are responsible in one sermon would take too long.
- ▶ It would also be foolish to think the listeners would comprehend the entirety of these things.

# big concept

- ▶ However, we may summarize under four headings what those responsibilities are:
- ▶ Remember these are very general, but they do have importance and include all the other aspects of our responsibility towards God.

A person with a backpack is walking up a stone staircase in a misty, mountainous landscape. In the foreground, an open book is visible, suggesting a journey of faith or knowledge. The scene is bathed in a soft, purple light.

# Fear God



- ▶ Solomon wrote:  
"Fear God, and  
keep His  
commandments:  
for this is the  
whole duty of  
man."  
(Ecclesiastes  
12:13).



▸ Peter said to Cornelius in Acts 10:34,35: "...Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: But in every nation he that feareth Him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with Him."



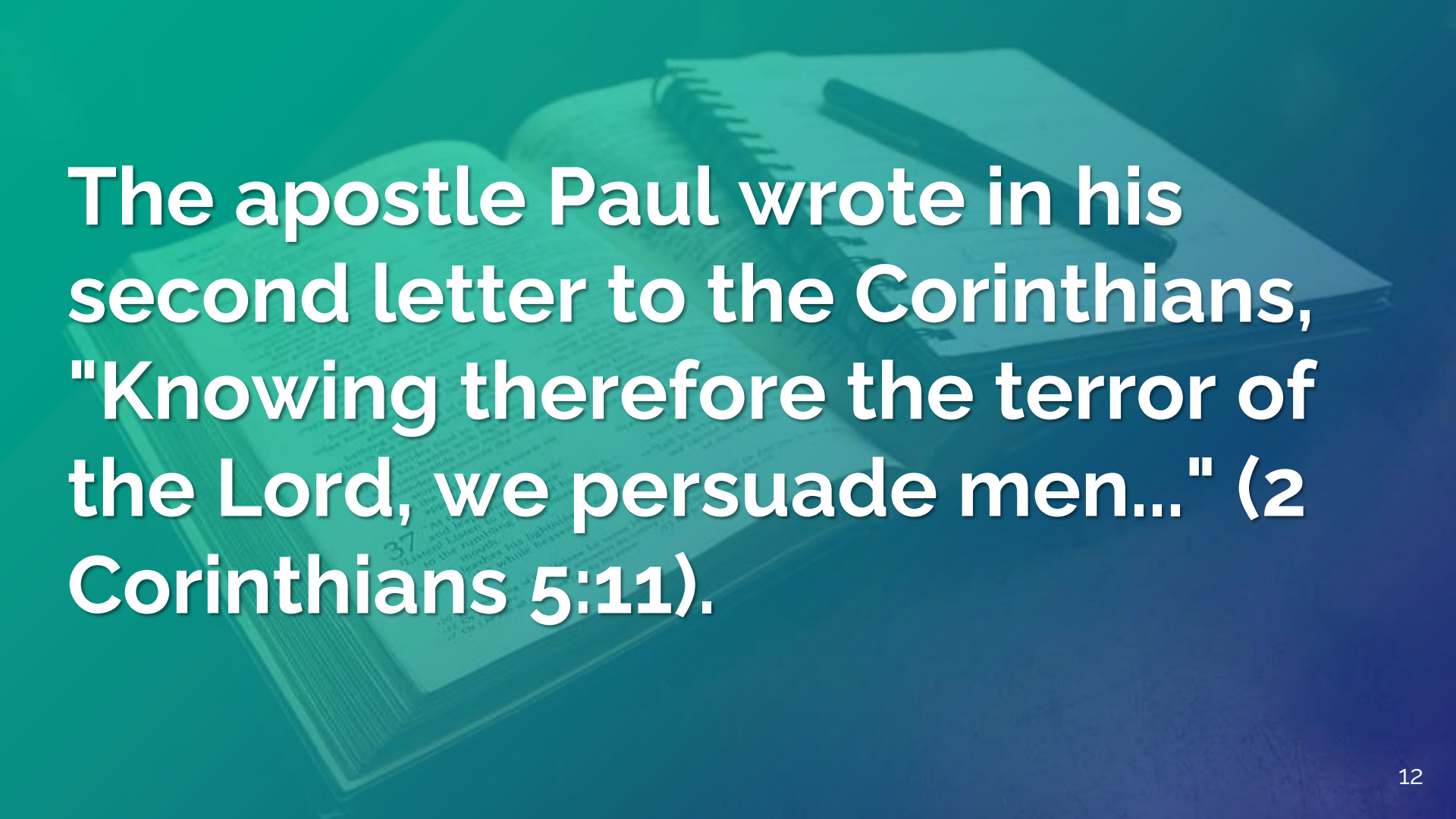


- To fear God is to respect God and His power.

**To fear God is to know God will  
punish those who do not keep  
His commandments.**

**Most people in the religious  
world do not fear God.**

**They look upon Him as only a merciful, loving, gracious Being, and because of this one-sided perspective of God, they fail to fear the consequences of unrighteousness.**



The apostle Paul wrote in his second letter to the Corinthians, "Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men..." (2 Corinthians 5:11).



- ▶ Paul knew the severity of God and declared this as a reason to preach the Gospel of Christ.
- ▶ Paul wanted to keep the souls of men from experiencing this severity.

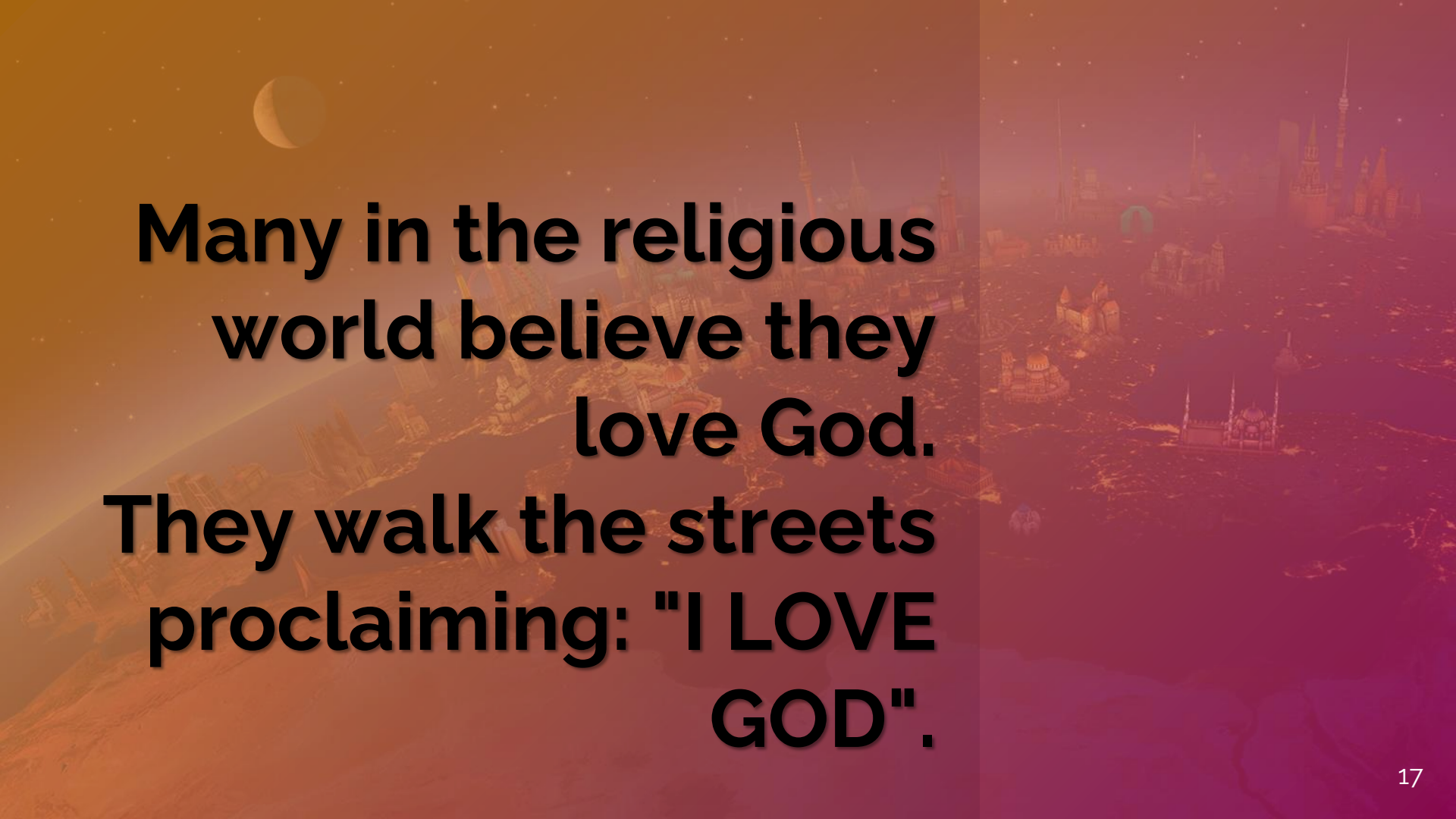


- ▶ If we fear the consequences of not obeying God , we will earnestly endeavor to please Him.

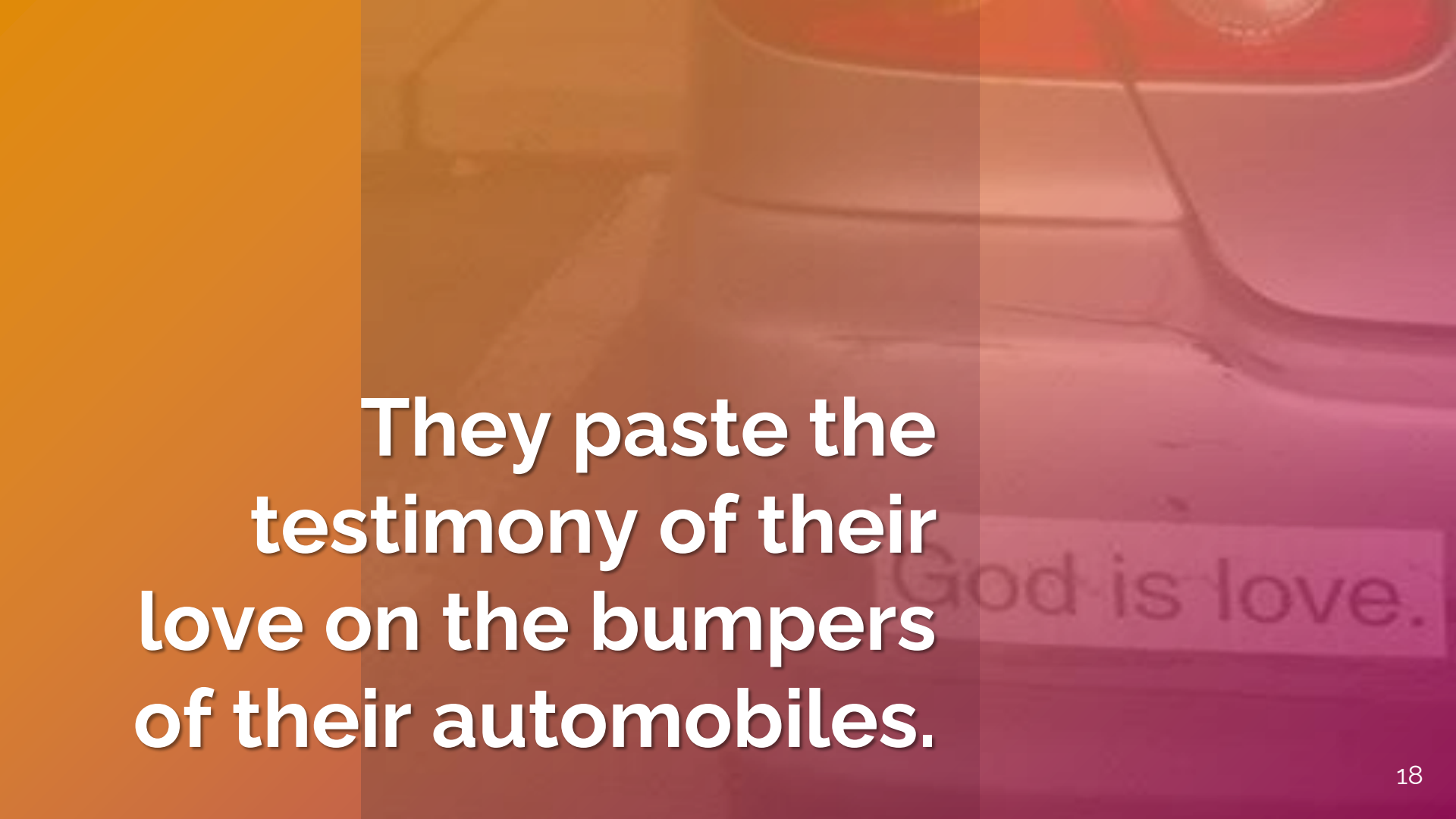
# Love God

**Jesus said: "...Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind" (Matthew 22:37).**






**Many in the religious  
world believe they  
love God.  
They walk the streets  
proclaiming: "I LOVE  
GOD".**



**They paste the  
testimony of their  
love on the bumpers  
of their automobiles.**

**But do they really  
love God?  
Do their actions  
reflect a love for  
God?**



**What did Jesus mean  
when He said: "...with  
all thy heart, with all  
thy soul, and with all  
thy mind"?**

**He meant a total love, a love that consumes us, uses us and wears us out in His service. Matthew 22:37 is a command.**

**Those who truly love God are not "doing Him a favor", but are obeying a command. Those who love God do so because He first loved us (1 John 4:19).**

**God proved His love for us by giving  
His only begotten Son (John 3:16),  
Is simply saying, "I love God"  
sufficient?**

**Would that be adequate between  
husbands and wives?**

**We require some proof of this  
affection.**

**"If you love Me, you will keep My  
commandments (John 14:15)**

**God also requires proof of our love  
for Him.**

**We demonstrate our love for our  
Savior by keeping His laws and  
obeying His commandments.**

**John wrote: "For this is the love of  
God, that we keep His  
commandments and His  
commandments are not grievous" (1  
John 5:3).**



# Obey God



**We not only prove our love by our  
obedience,  
we have the responsibility of being  
obedient to  
Jehovah God.**

**Solomon's instructions were: "Fear God  
and keep His commandments".**

The Hebrew writer said of Christ in Hebrews 5:8,9, "though Jesus was the Son of God, He learned obedience by the things which He suffered..."

Jesus' obedience was perfect.

The apostle John wrote that Jesus demonstrated His love for His Father by His obedience (John 14:31).

***Christ is our (perfect) example (1 Peter 2:21).***

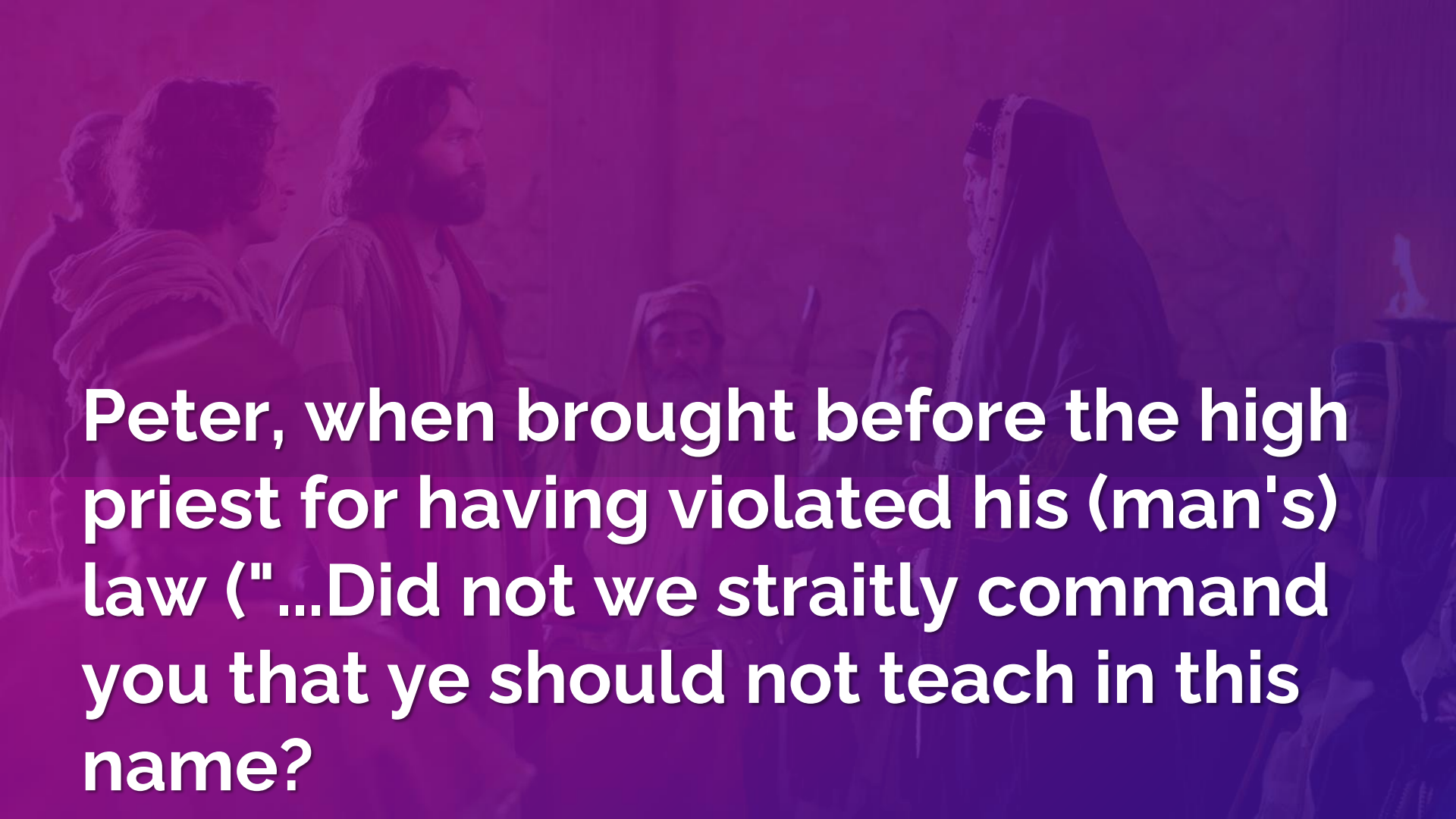
***We are expected to be obedient to God also!***

***Our responsibility to obey God comes first, before all other commandments, rules, laws, or creeds.***

# THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

THOU SHALT HAVE NO OTHER GODS BEFORE ME.  
THOU SHALT NOT MAKE ANY GRAVEN IMAGE.

**God's commands are never made void, or compelled to take second place behind the doctrines or commandments of men.**

A scene from a religious film, likely depicting the trial of Peter. Jesus, with long hair and a beard, is in the center, looking towards the right. Peter is on the left, looking towards Jesus. In the background, a high priest in a dark, hooded robe is visible, along with other men in traditional attire. The scene is set in a courtyard with stone walls and a wooden door.

**Peter, when brought before the high priest for having violated his (man's) law ("...Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name?**

*And, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us" Acts 5:28), answered: "We ought to obey God rather than men" (Acts 5:29).*

*Our duty remains the same.*

*Our eternal life depends upon our attitude toward obeying God.*



# Worship God





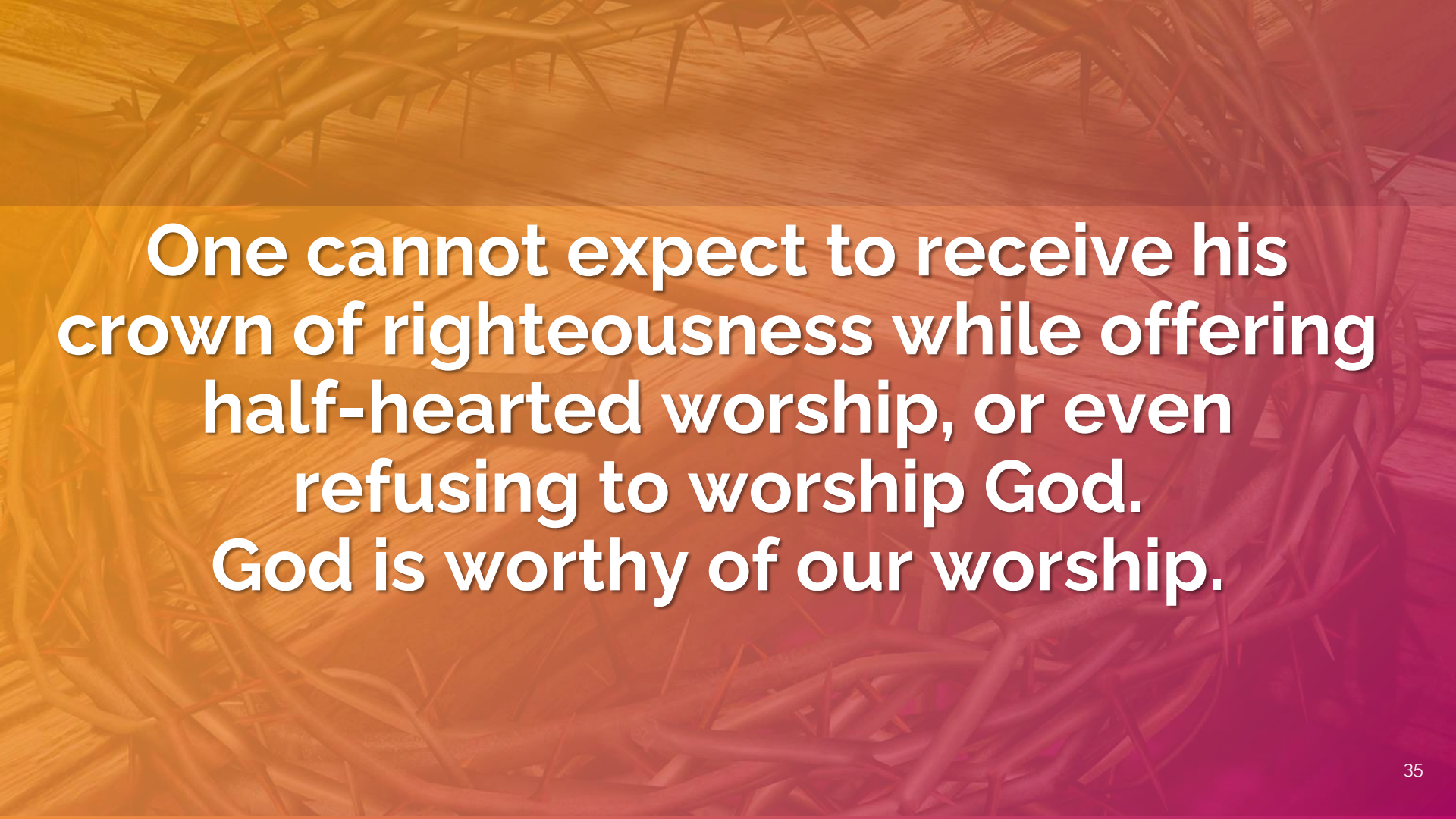
*Part of our obedience to God requires us to worship Him.*

*"But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship Him.*



**God is a Spirit; and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth." (John 4:23,24).**

**God expects us to worship Him.**



**One cannot expect to receive his  
crown of righteousness while offering  
half-hearted worship, or even  
refusing to worship God.  
God is worthy of our worship.**

**2 Thessalonians 1:8 tells us that those “who keep not His commandments” will be dealt with harshly.**

**God has told us how to worship Him, and we must do it His way.**

# Conclusion:

**These are four responsibilities we have to God.**

**Each one must search out diligently what we are to do under each of these subtitles and put them into our lives.**

# Conclusion:

**Our soul is our most valuable possession.**

**We should spend much time in seeing it is prepared for the judgment!**

**We will be eternally saved if we fulfill these responsibilities**



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