

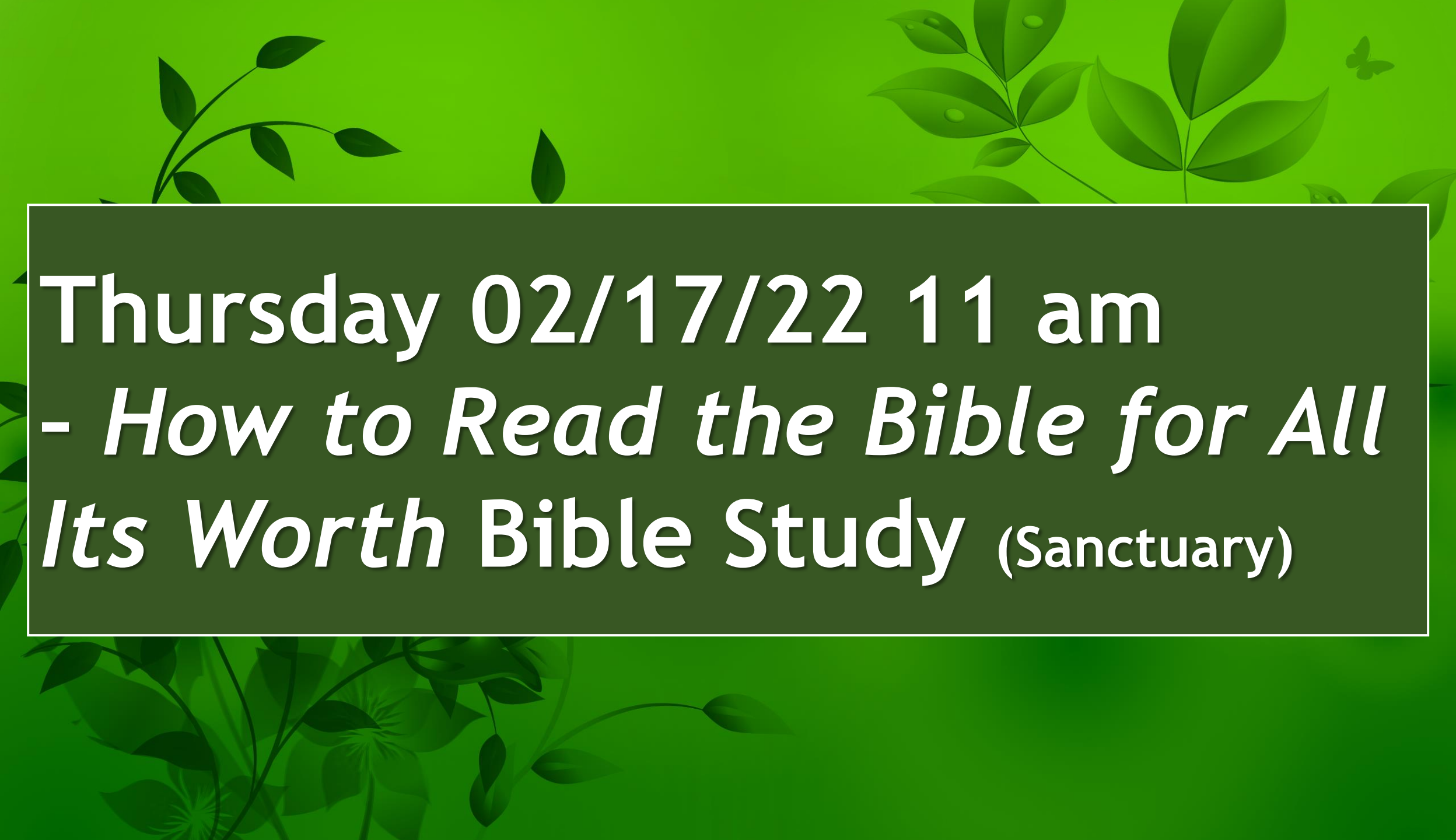
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Welcome to  
Homestead Park  
United Methodist Church

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# Announcements

## ~ This Week ~



**Thursday 02/17/22 11 am**  
**- *How to Read the Bible for All***  
***Its Worth* Bible Study (Sanctuary)**

*weekly  
schedule*

All are welcome!  
Please contact the office  
for more information.

Sunday 11 am Prayer Meeting (Prayer Room)

Sunday 6 pm Girl Scouts (Fellowship Hall)

Monday Creative Play and  
through Friday Begin-der-garten

*weekly  
schedule*

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for more information.

Monday 9<sup>30</sup> am Tai Chi (Fellowship Hall)

Monday 6<sup>30</sup> pm Cub Scouts (Fellowship Hall)

Monday 7 pm Boy Scouts (Fellowship Hall Annex)

*weekly  
schedule*

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Tuesday 10am Line Dancers (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday 7 pm Just Recovery (Fellowship Hall)

Friday 10 am Line Dancers (Fellowship Hall)



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**Saturdays  
and Sundays**

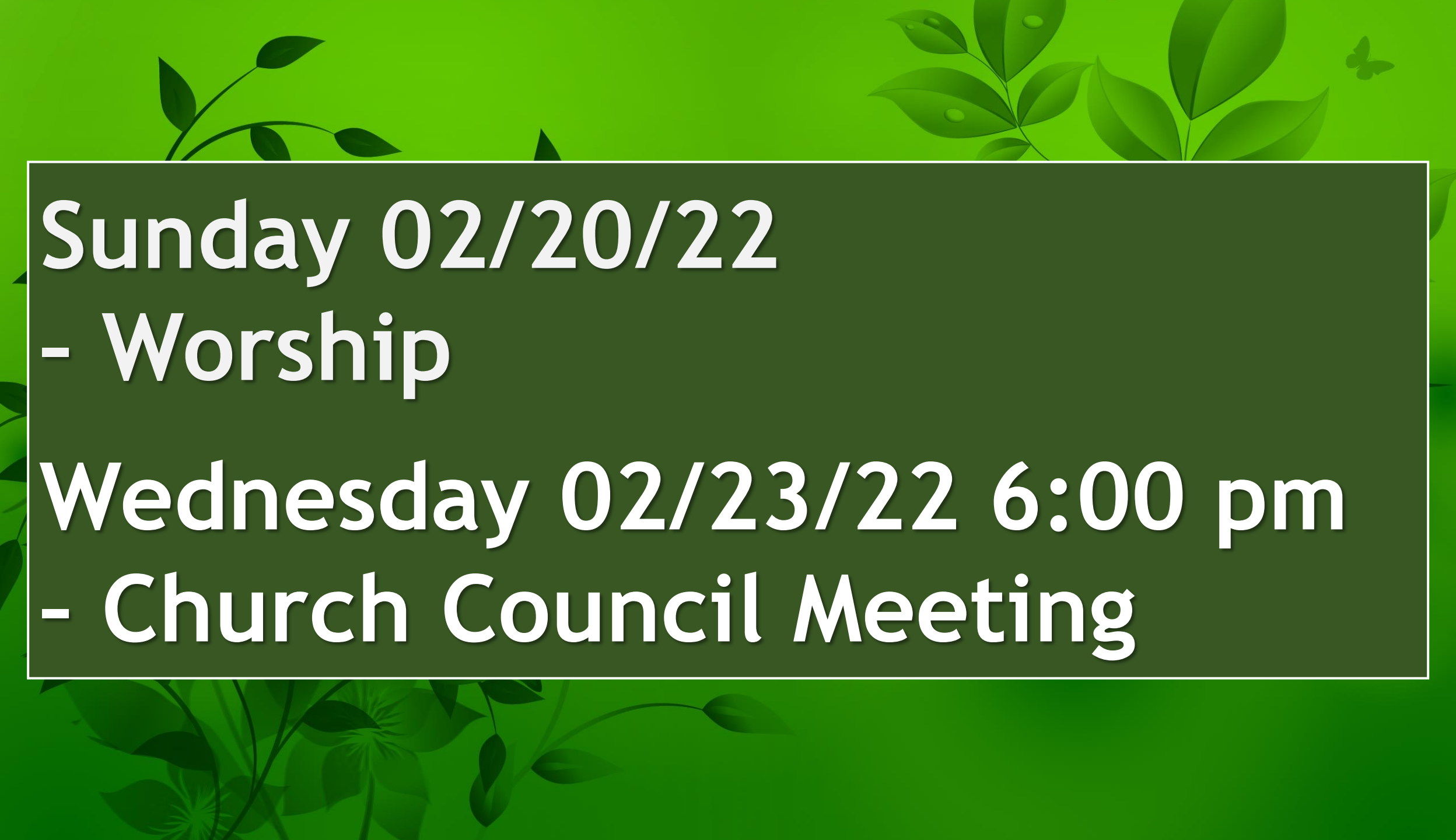
**Homeless Ministry**  
(Fellowship Hall)

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# Announcements

## ~ Upcoming Events ~






**Sunday 02/20/22**

**- Worship**

**Wednesday 02/23/22 6:00 pm**

**- Church Council Meeting**

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# Other Announcements

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# Opening Prayer (unison)

(Please stand as you are able)

Holy and good Creator, we rejoice that you are the God who communicates; the One who wrote upon the tablets of stone is the same One who writes the divine Word upon

our hearts and minds. Prepare us now, we pray, to hear, receive and obey your Word as we receive it during this worship hour through song and word. Amen.





# Call to Worship (responsive)

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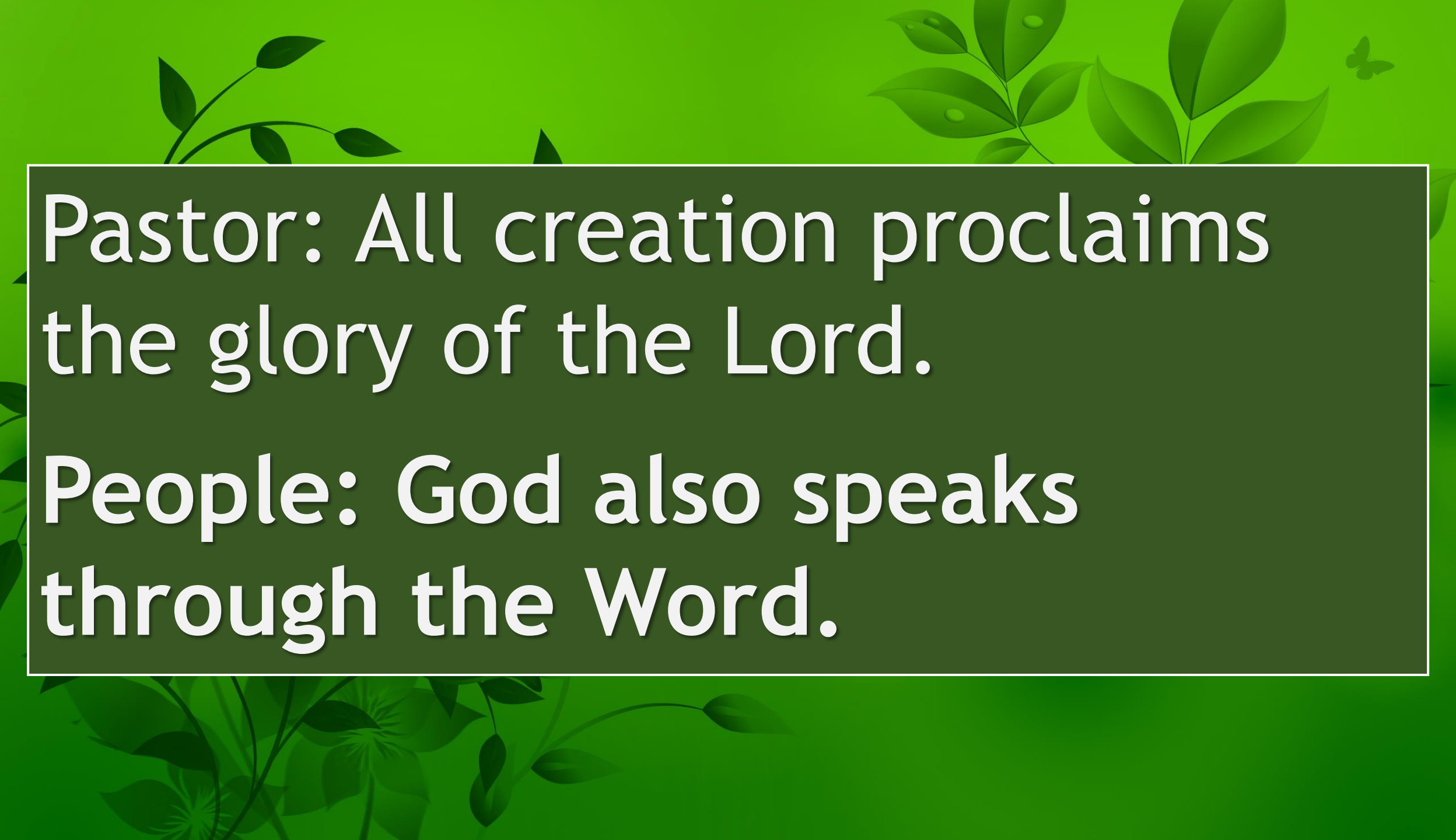
**Pastor: Listen friends! God is speaking!**

**People: God's voice whispers to us in the stillness.**

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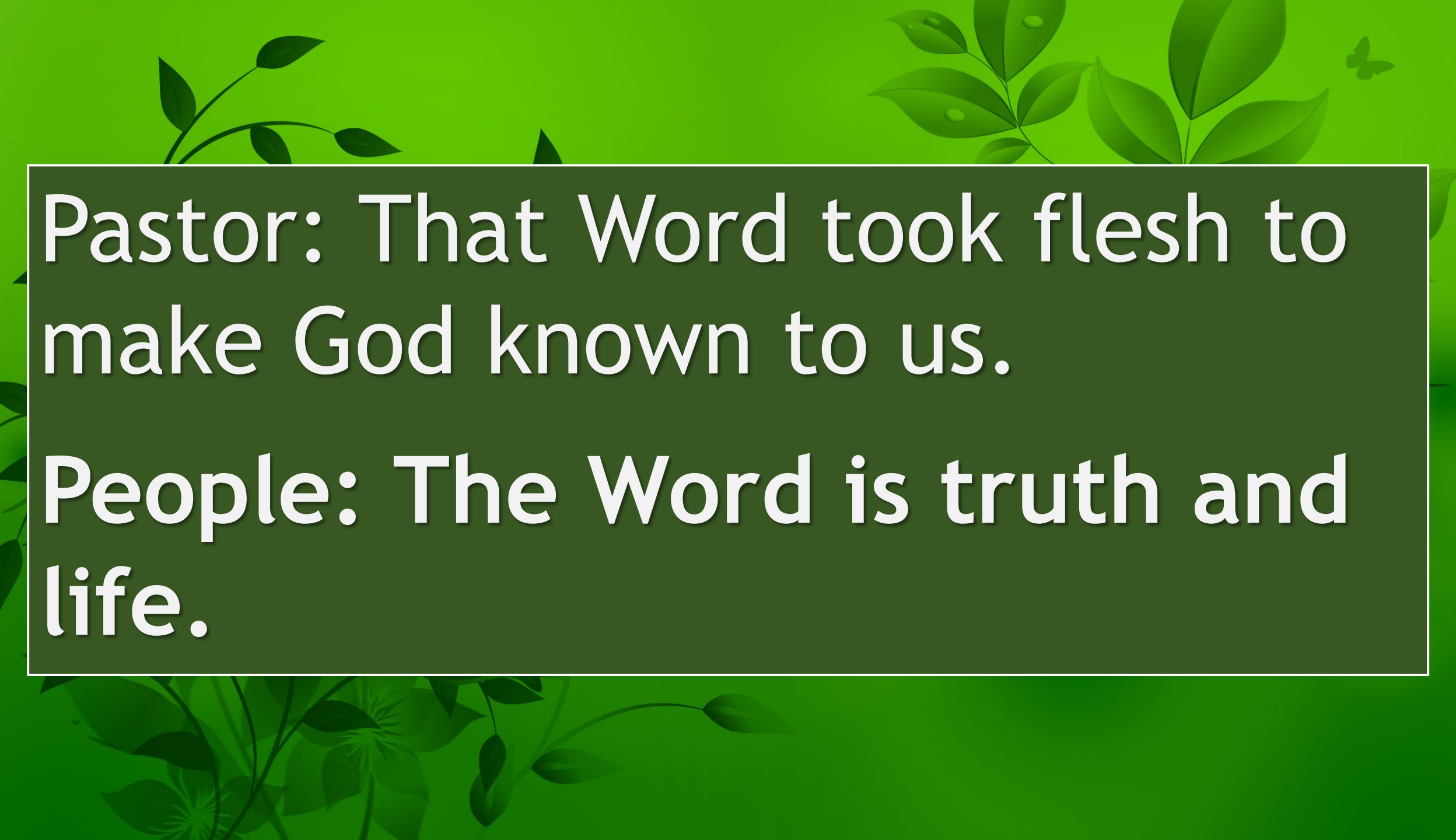
**Pastor: It thunders across the  
skies.**

**People: It breaks out from the  
heavens.**

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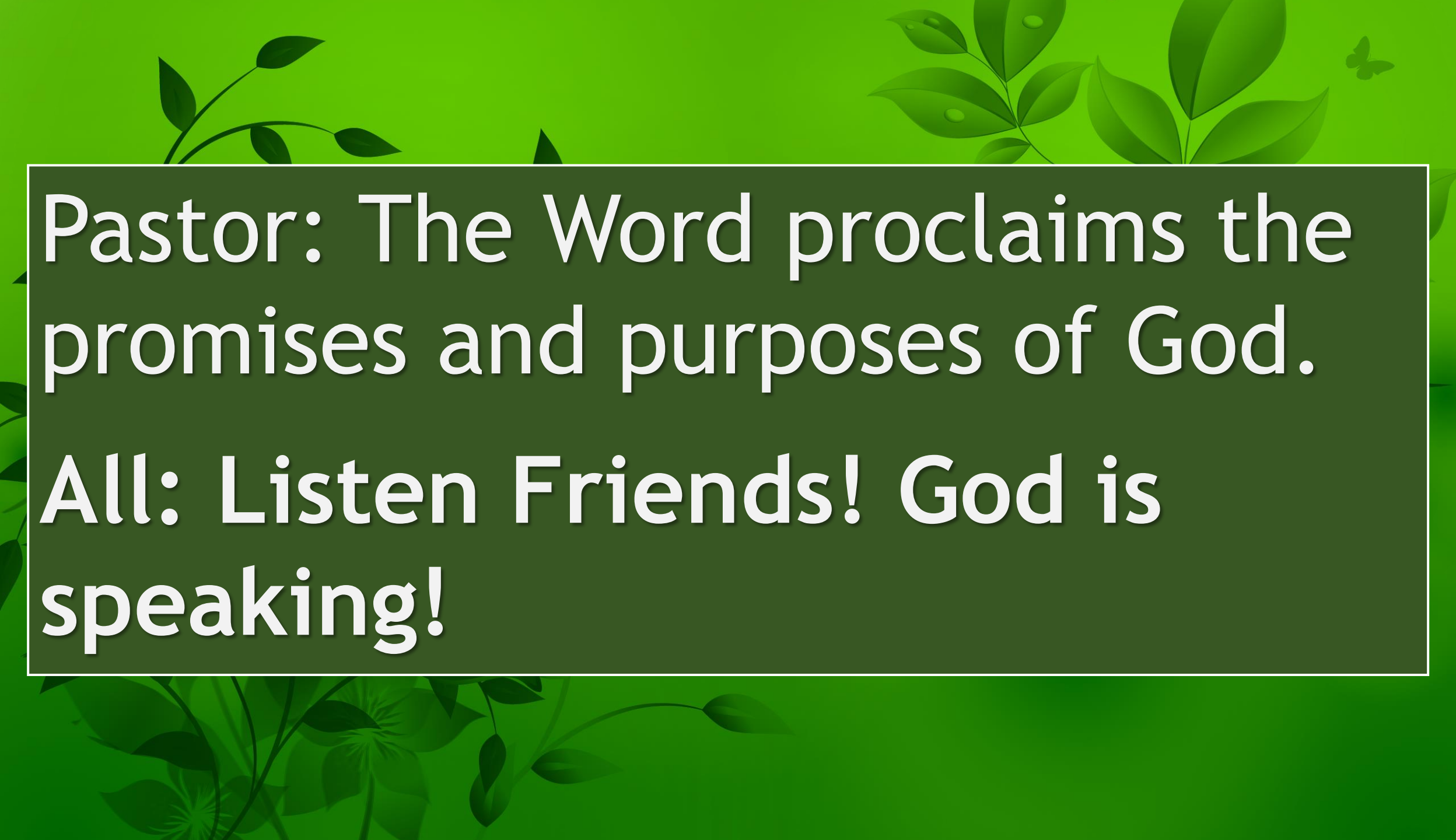
**Pastor: All creation proclaims  
the glory of the Lord.**

**People: God also speaks  
through the Word.**

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**Pastor: That Word took flesh to  
make God known to us.**

**People: The Word is truth and  
life.**

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**Pastor: The Word proclaims the promises and purposes of God.**

**All: Listen Friends! God is speaking!**




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# Songs of Praise







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# Children's Message



# Offering

Online Giving -  
[homesteadpark.churchcenter.com](http://homesteadpark.churchcenter.com)




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# Doxology

(Please stand as you are able)

**Praise God from Whom all  
blessings flow. Praise Him all  
creatures here below. Praise  
Him above, ye, heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy  
Ghost. Amen.**



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# Our Time of Prayer

# The Prayer Teams' Request



Cathy Trexler

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# Prayers & Praises

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# The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom  
come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in  
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread  
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive  
those who trespass against us. Lead us not  
into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**



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# Song of Praise





# Our Scripture

Nehemiah 8:

1-3, 5-6, 8-10 NIV

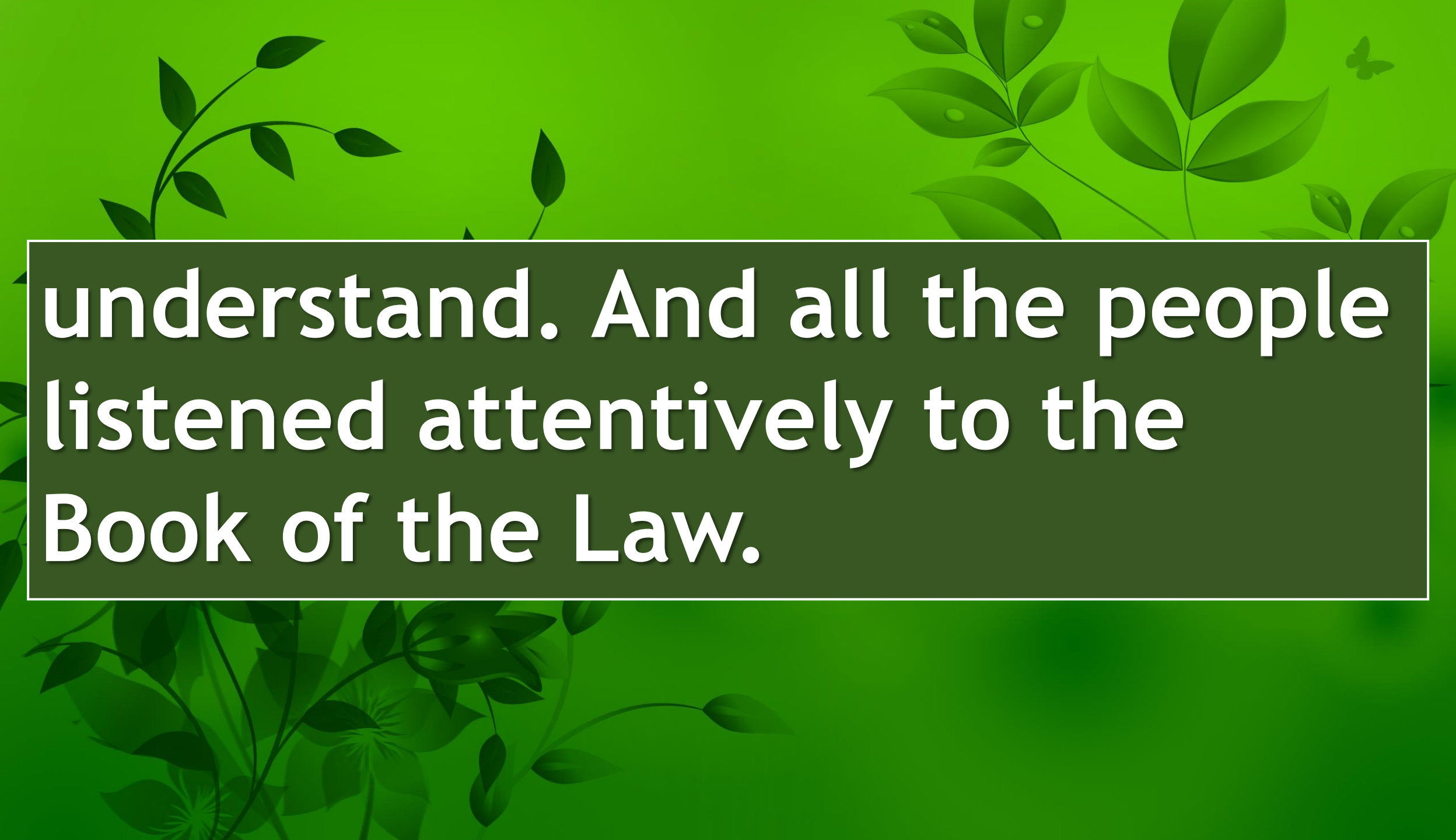
<sup>1</sup> all the people came together as one in the square before the Water Gate. They told Ezra the teacher of the Law to bring out the Book of the Law of Moses, which the LORD had

commanded for Israel.

<sup>2</sup> So on the first day of the seventh month Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, which was made up of men and women and all who

were able to understand. <sup>3</sup> He read it aloud from daybreak till noon as he faced the square before the Water Gate in the presence of the men, women and others who could



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**understand. And all the people  
listened attentively to the  
Book of the Law.**

**<sup>5</sup> Ezra opened the book. All the people could see him because he was standing above them; and as he opened it, the people all stood up. <sup>6</sup> Ezra praised the LORD, the great**

God; and all the people lifted their hands and responded, “Amen! Amen!” Then they bowed down and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground.

**<sup>8</sup> They read from the Book of the Law of God, making it clear and giving the meaning so that the people understood what was being read.**

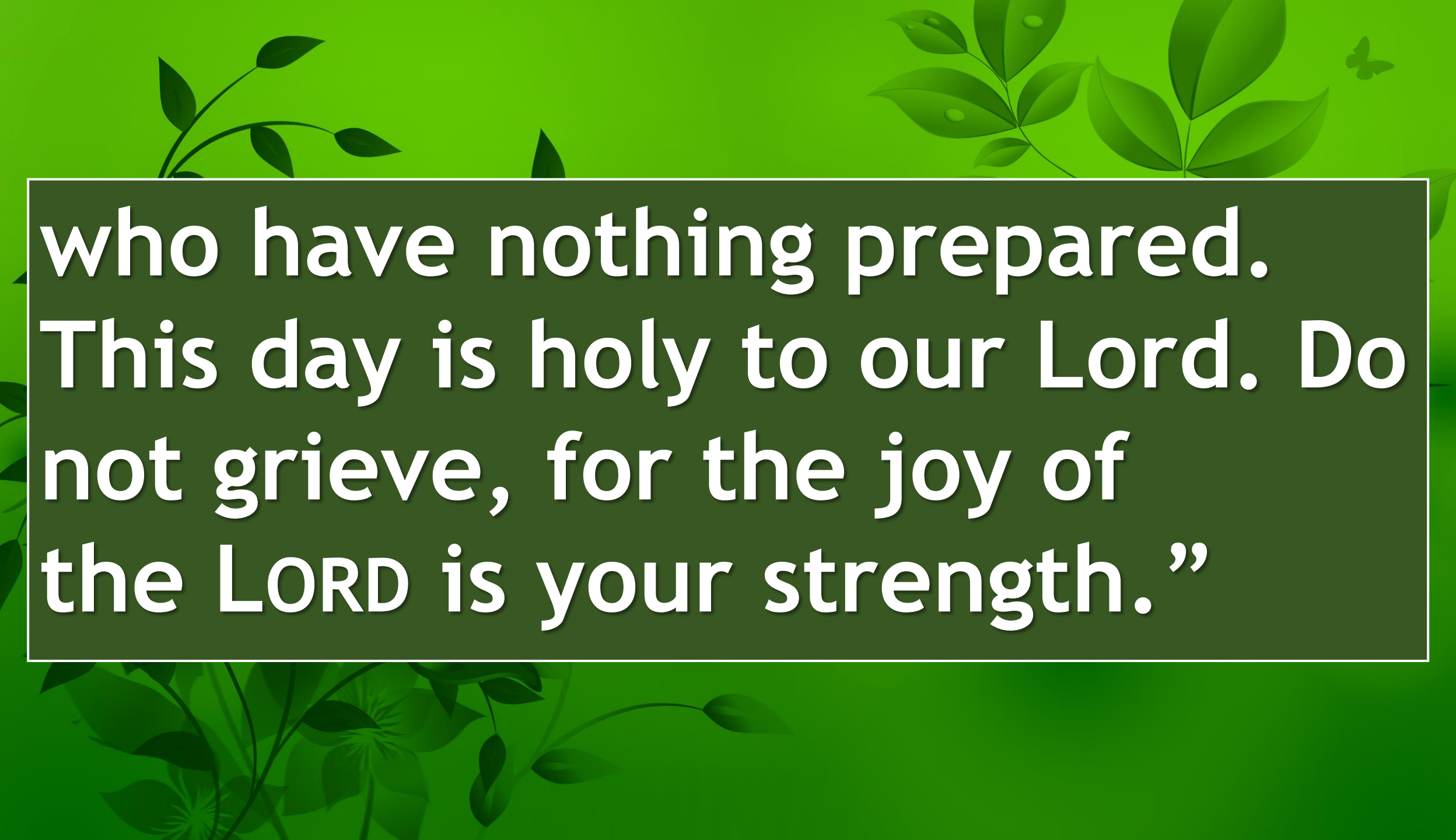
**<sup>9</sup> Then Nehemiah the governor,**

Ezra the priest and teacher of the Law, and the Levites who were instructing the people said to them all, “This day is holy to the LORD your God. Do not mourn or weep.” For all



the people had been weeping as they listened to the words of the Law.

<sup>10</sup> Nehemiah said, “Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those

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who have nothing prepared.  
This day is holy to our Lord. Do  
not grieve, for the joy of  
the LORD is your strength.”

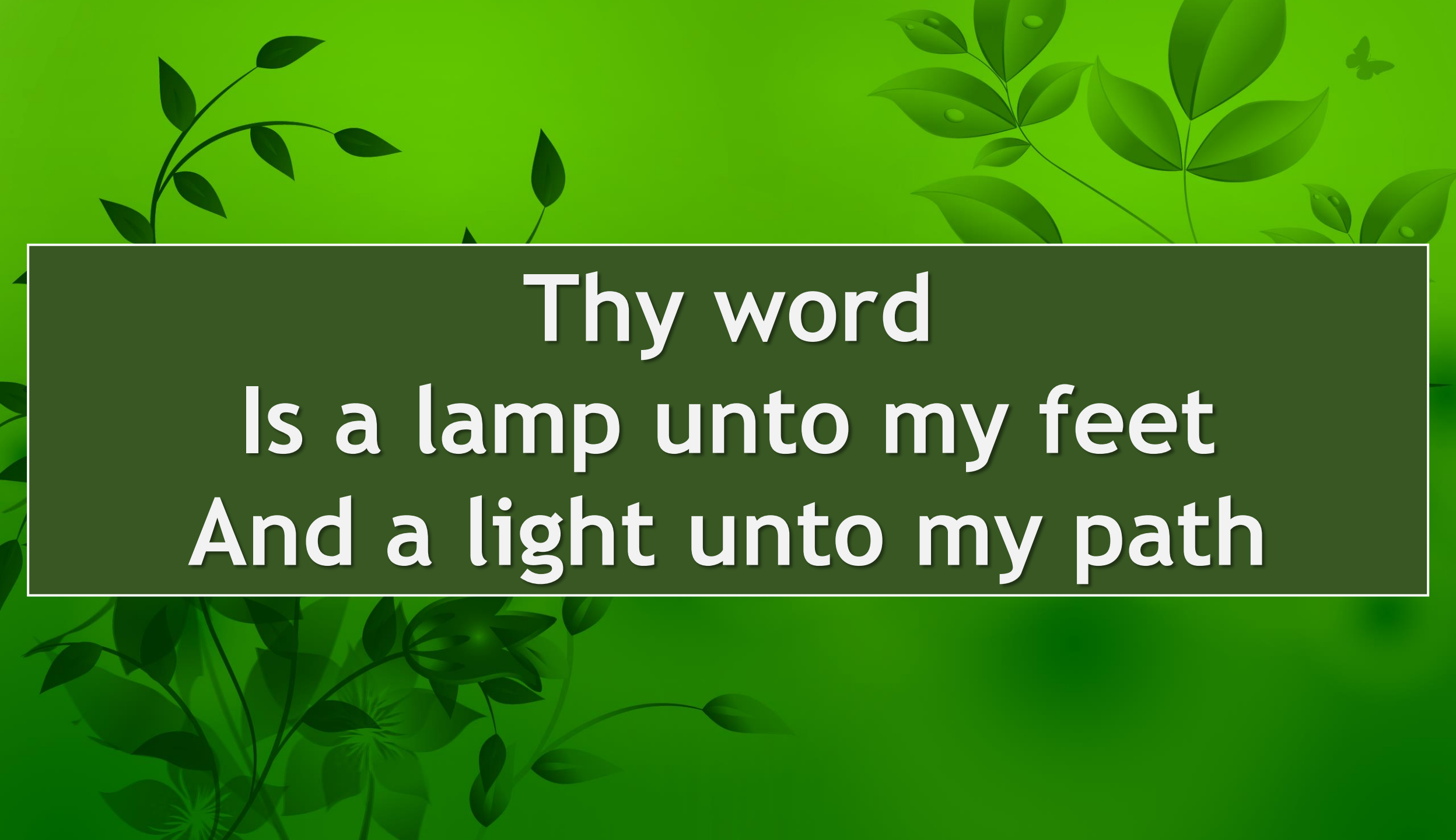
Message

Back to the Word of God  
in Tears!

Pastor Don Kephart

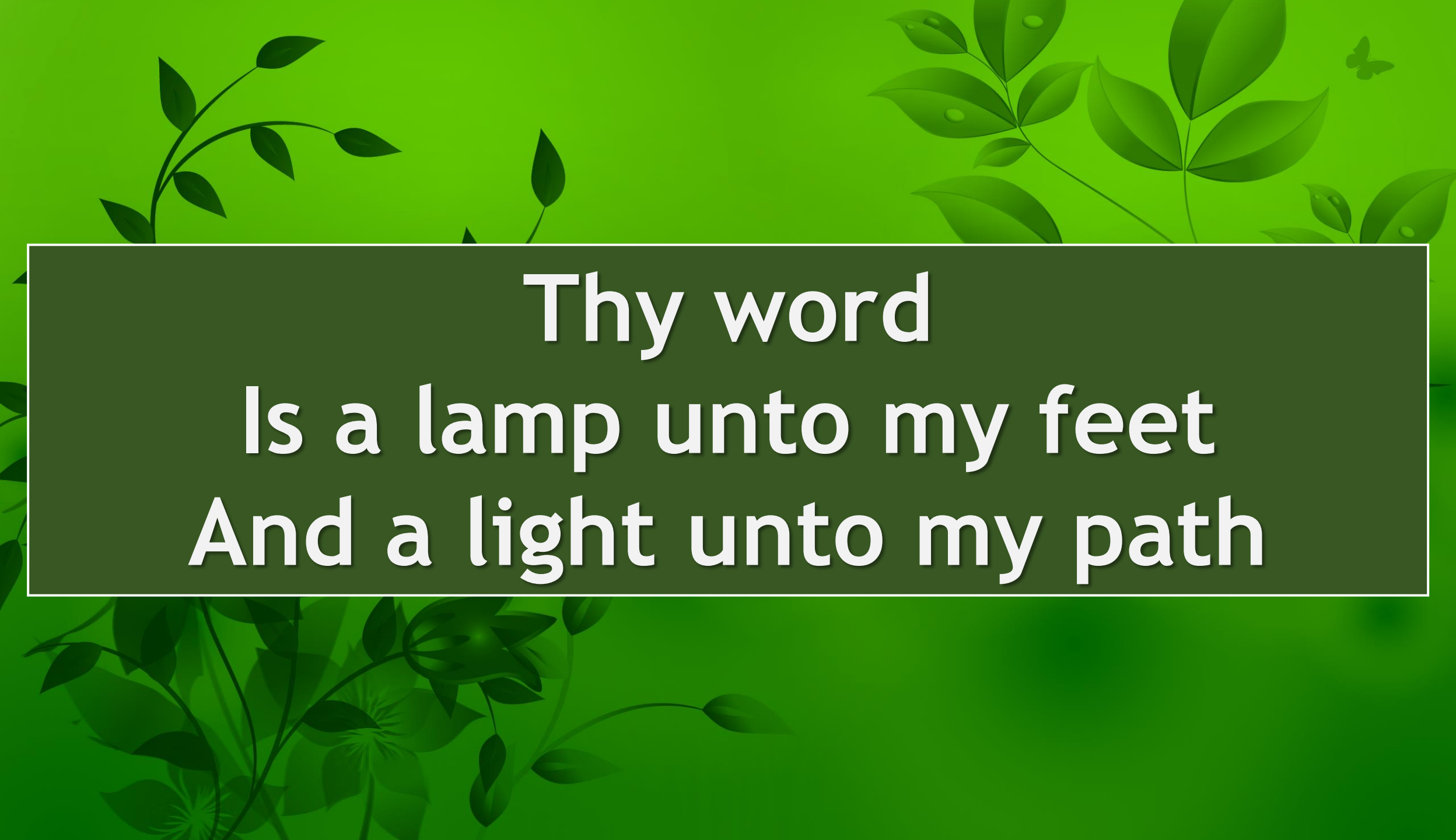
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Hymn # 601  
Thy Word Is a Lamp

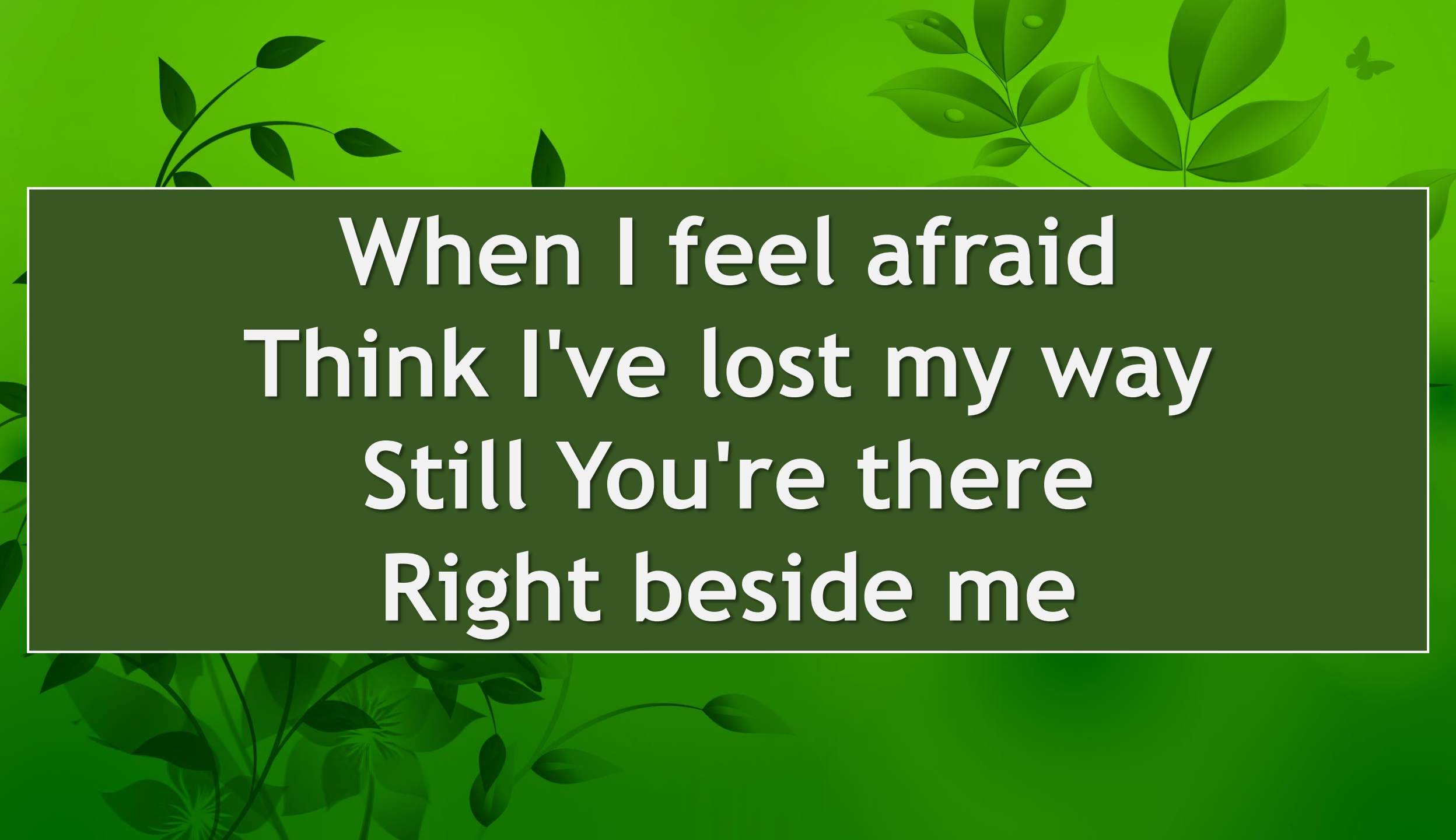
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**Thy word  
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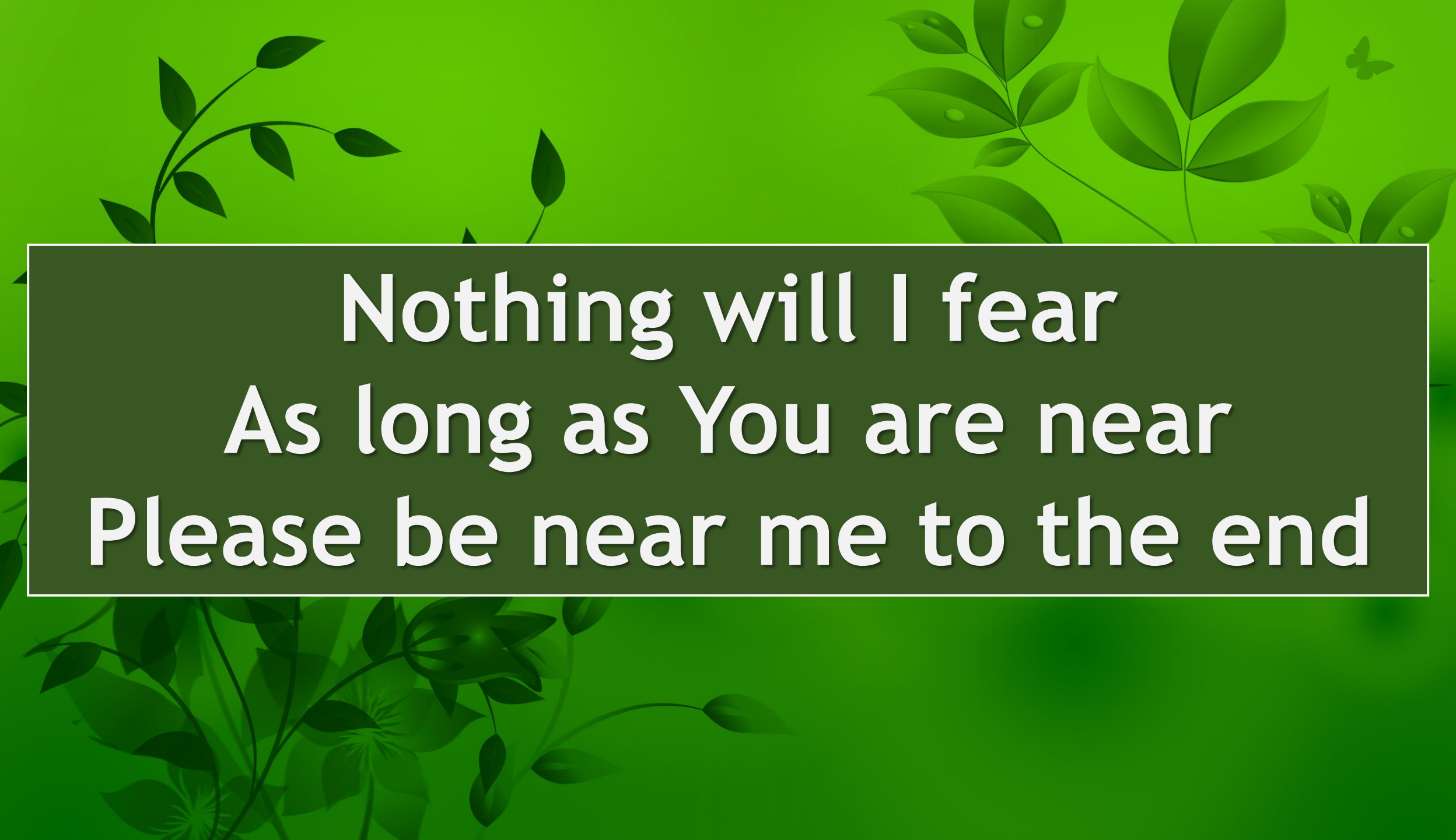


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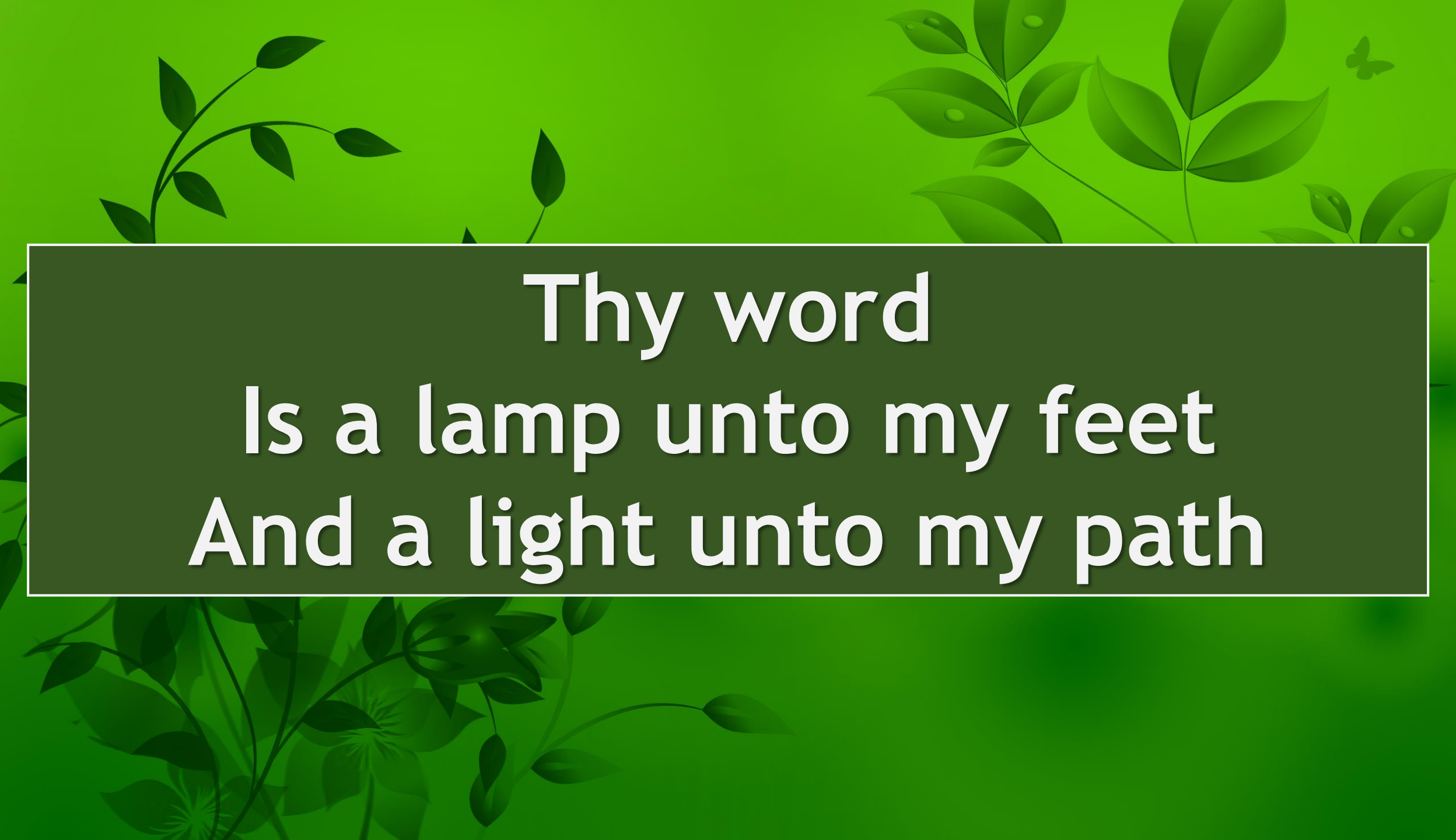
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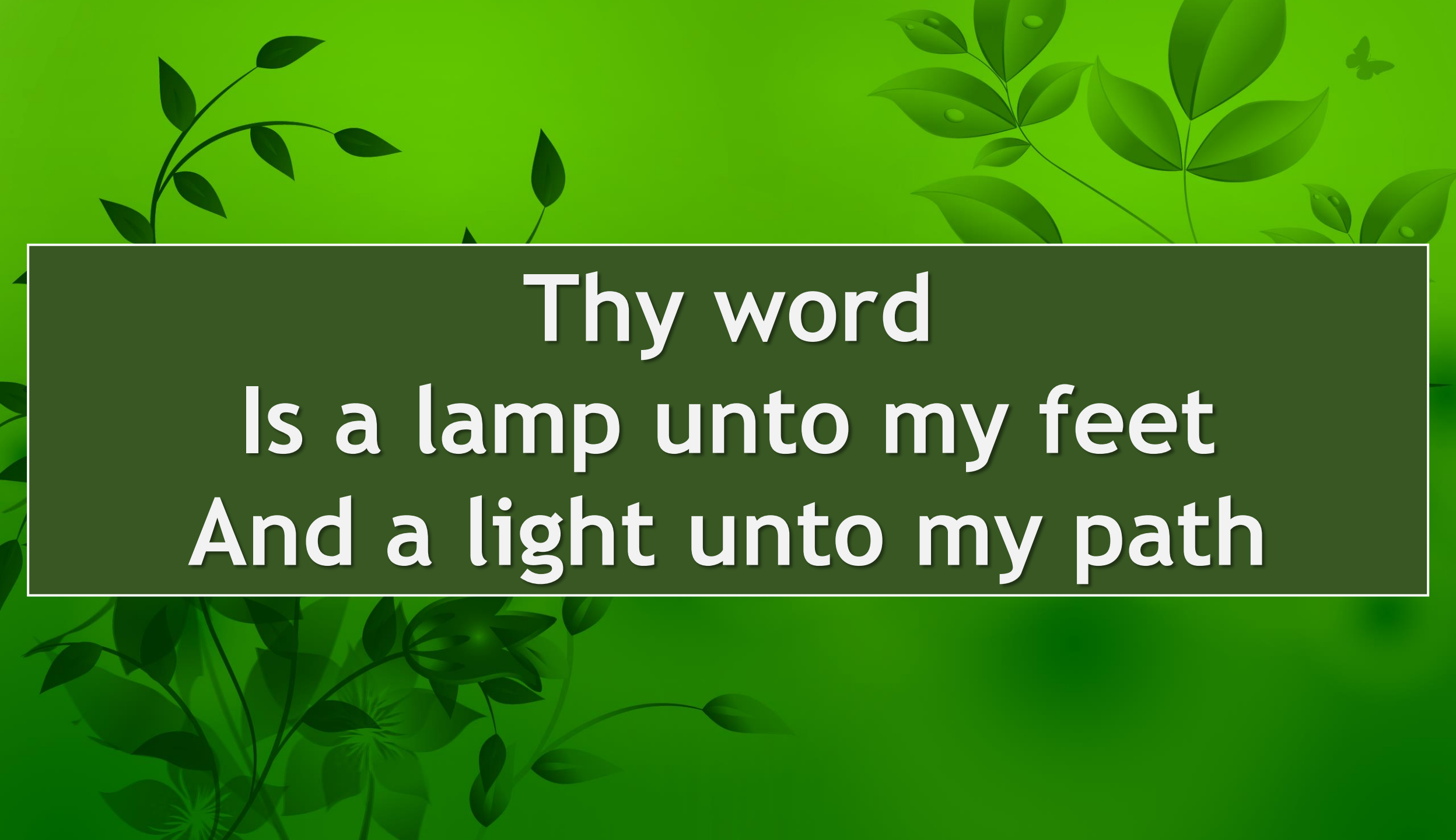
**When I feel afraid  
Think I've lost my way  
Still You're there  
Right beside me**

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**Nothing will I fear  
As long as You are near  
Please be near me to the end**

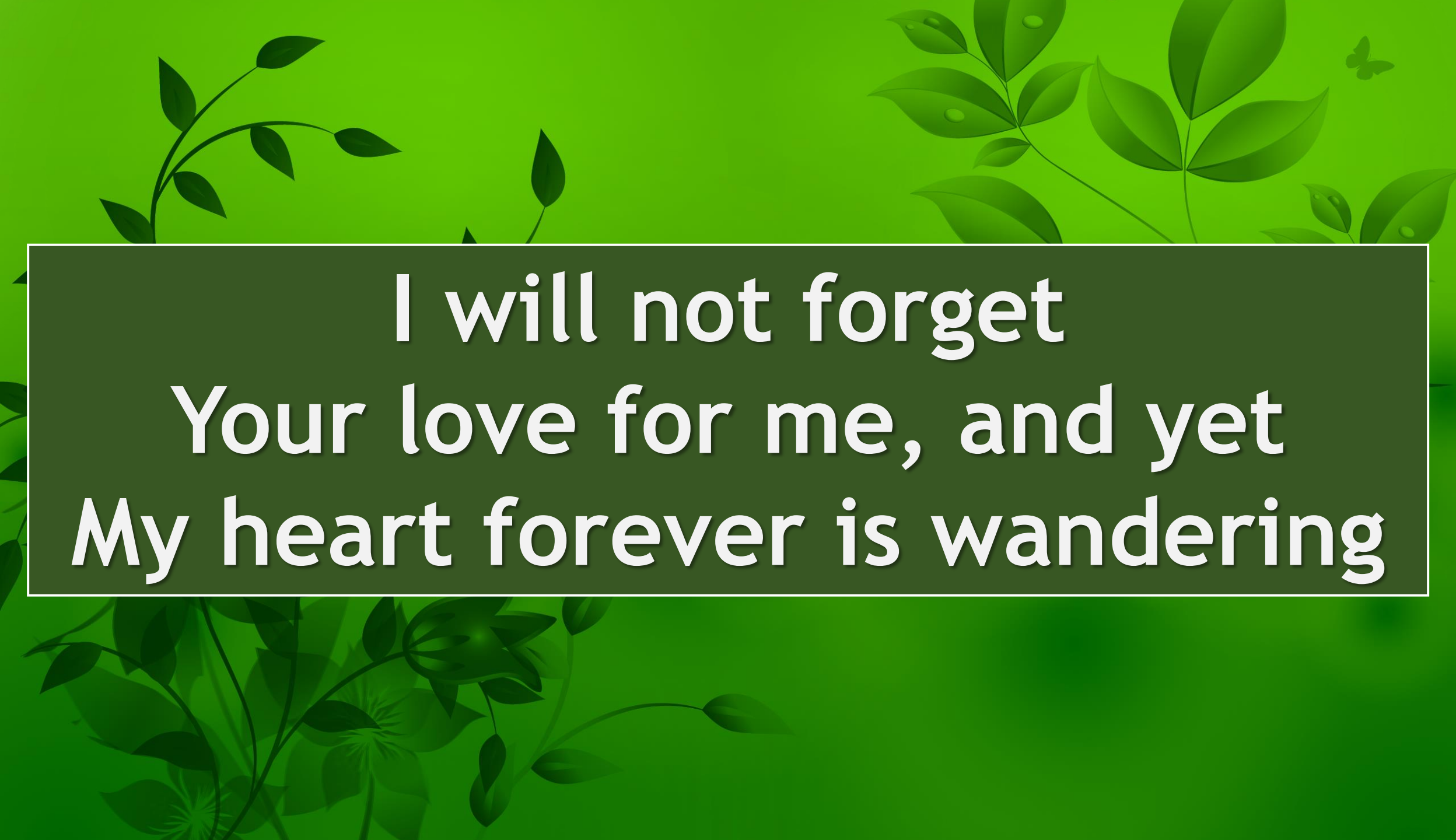
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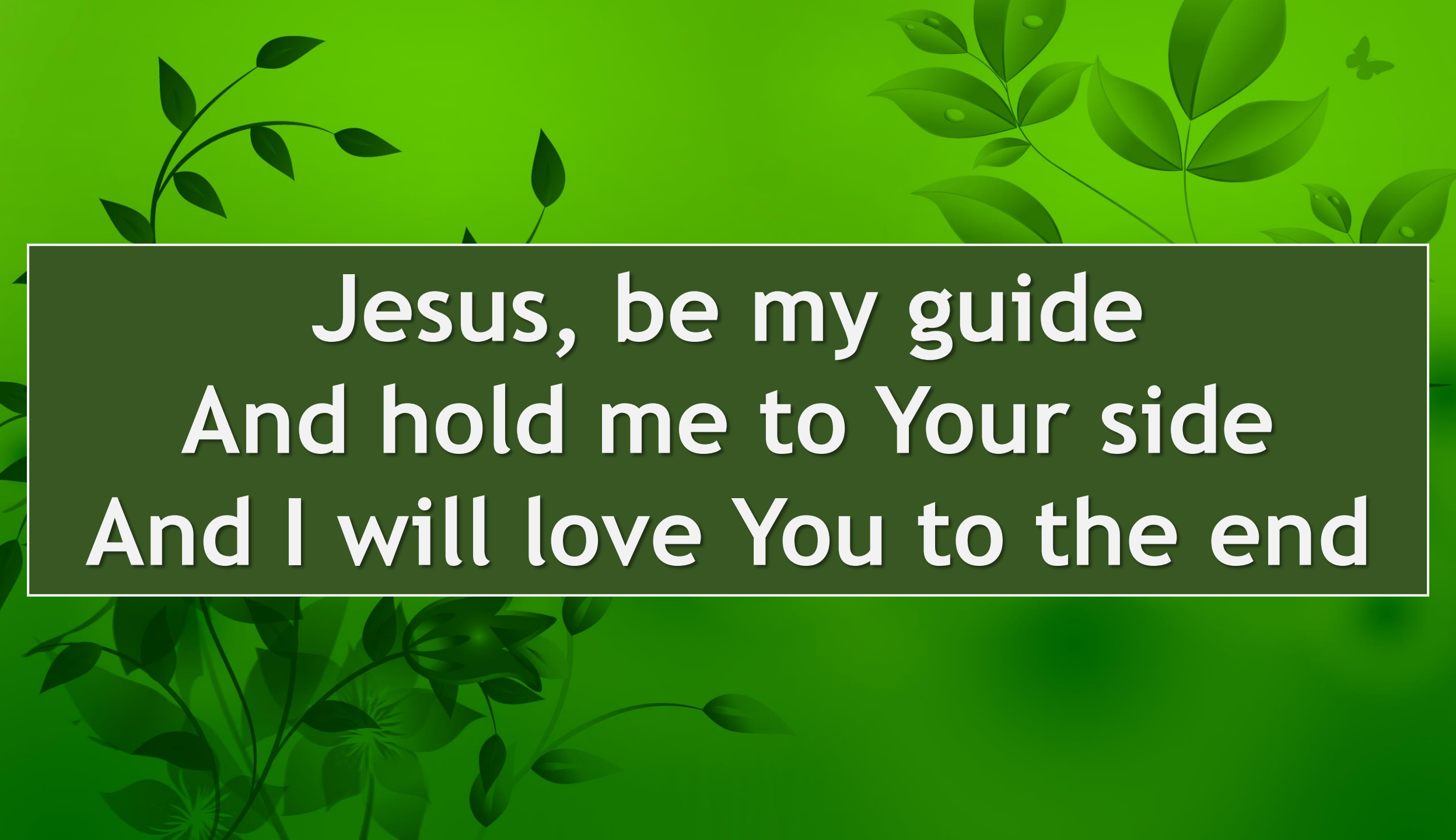
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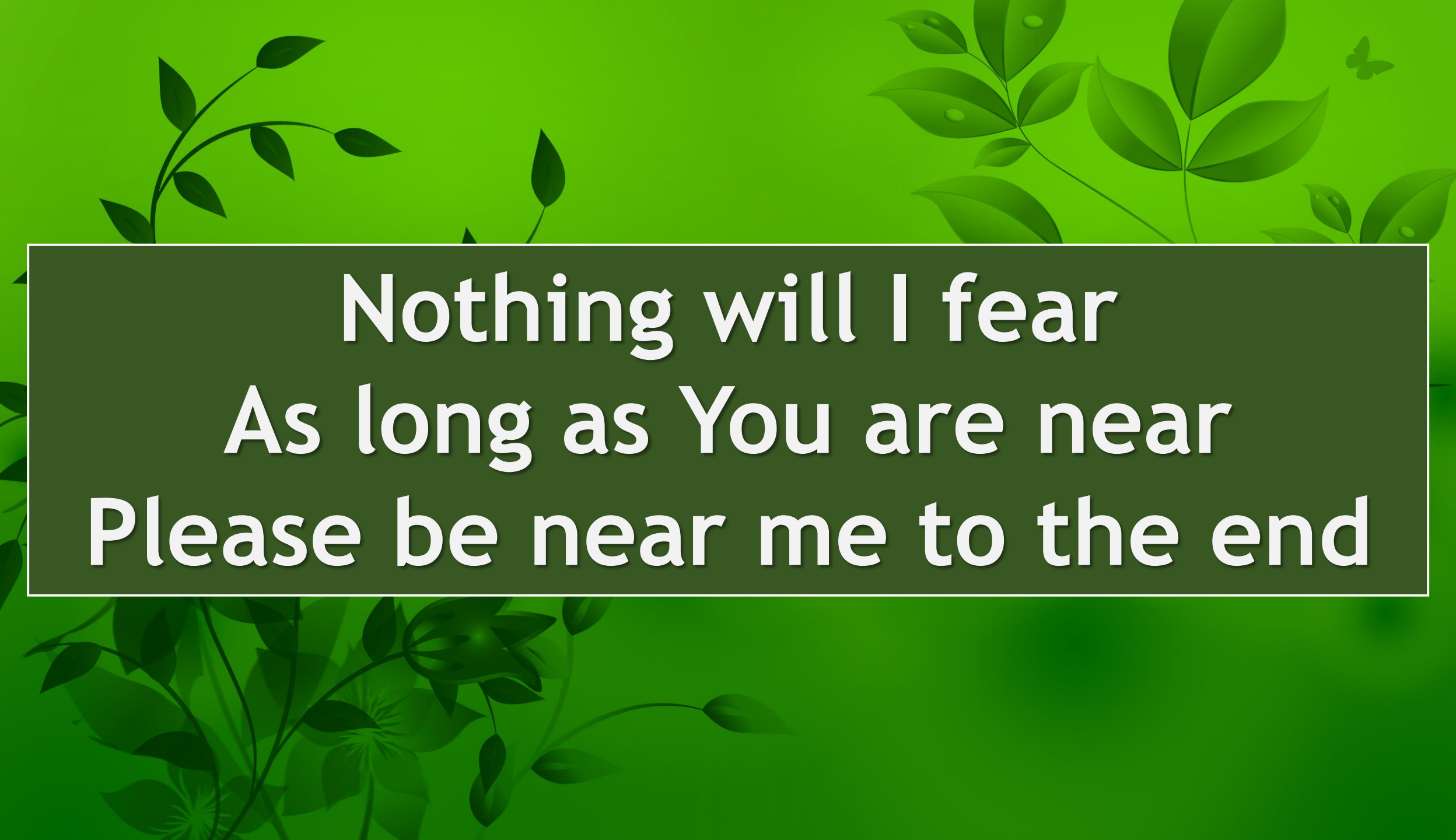


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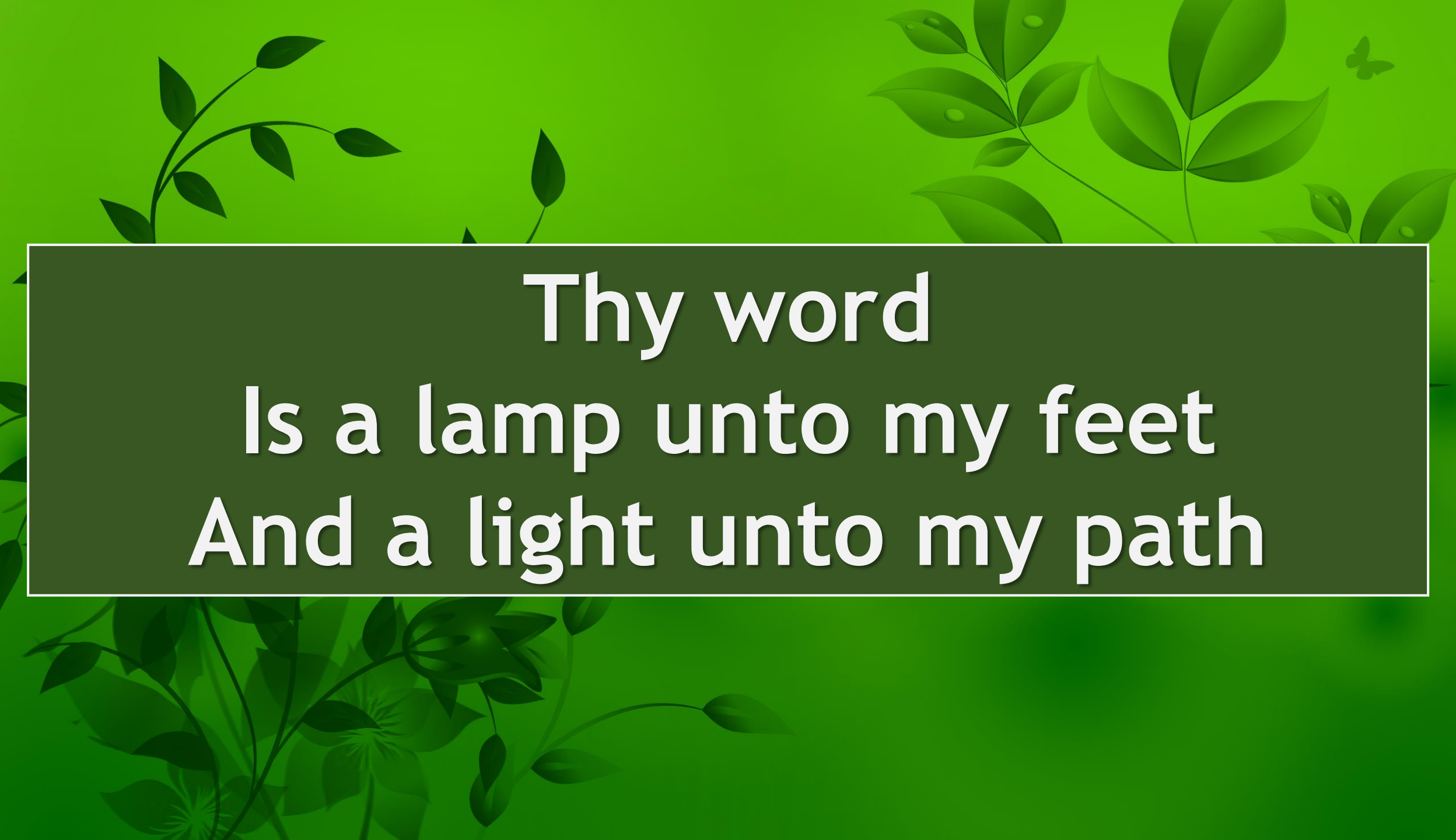
**I will not forget  
Your love for me, and yet  
My heart forever is wandering**

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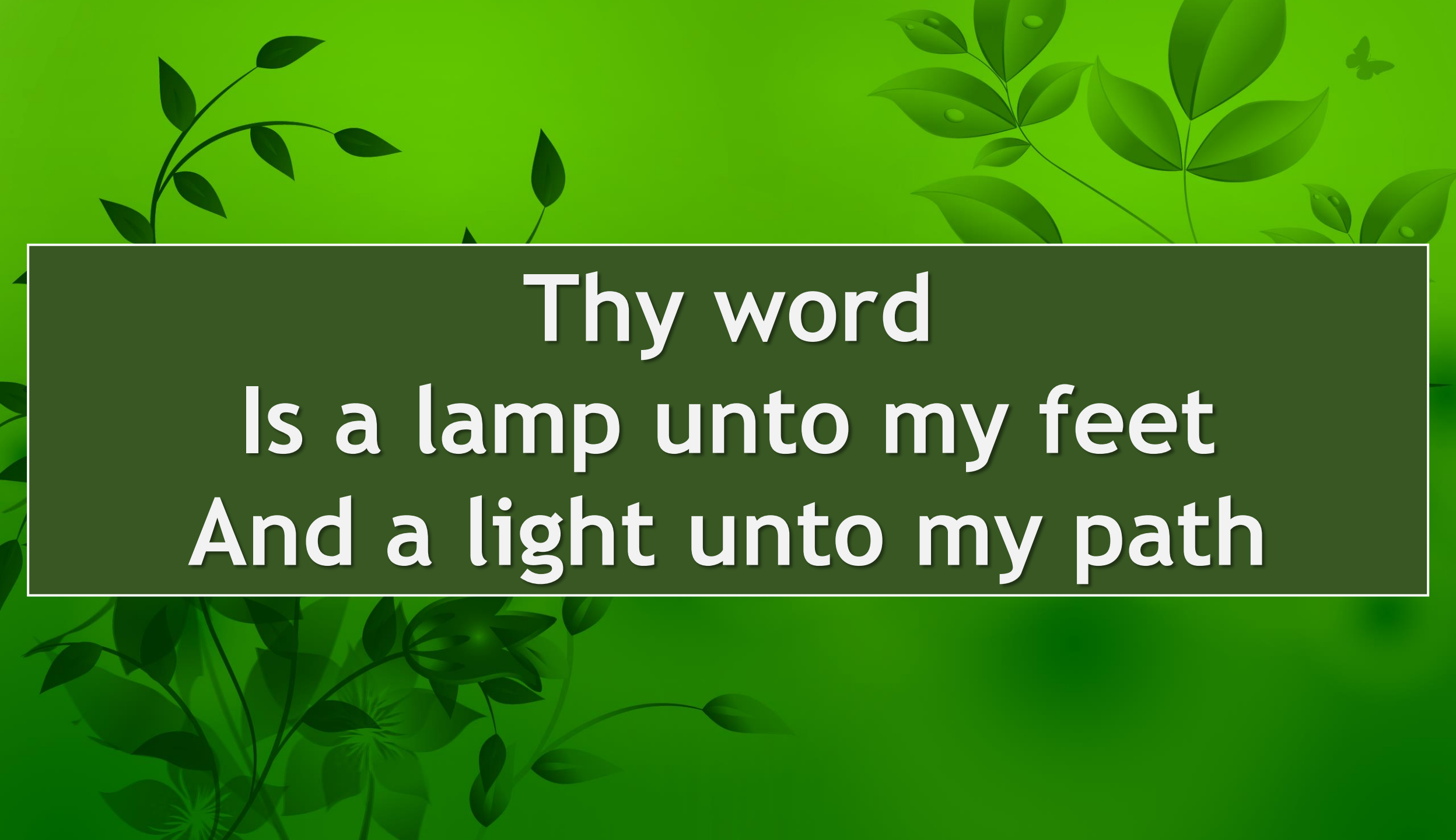
**Jesus, be my guide  
And hold me to Your side  
And I will love You to the end**

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**Nothing will I fear  
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# Benediction

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Thank you for joining  
us in worship!