

**I love
following
Jesus
because...**

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Jesus because... He
is a firm foundation
in my life

Overcoming fear is the first step in
difficult situations

I LOVE
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BECAUSE....

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The Lord is my light and my salvation— whom shall I **fear**? The Lord is the stronghold of my life— of whom shall I be **afraid**?

Psalm 27:1–14 (NIV)

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When we are going
through difficult
times our biggest
enemy is FEAR!

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I will extol the Lord at all times; his praise will always be on my lips. I will glory in the Lord; let the afflicted hear and rejoice. Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together.

Psalm 34:1–6 (NIV)

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I sought the Lord, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears. Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame. This poor man called, and the Lord heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles.

Psalm 34:1–6 (NIV)

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There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love.

1 John 4:18 (NKJV)

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Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path.

Psalm 119:105 (NKJV)

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Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand.

Isaiah 41:10 (NLT)

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even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me
fast.

Psalm 139:10 (NIV)

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Yet I am always with you; you hold me by my right hand.

Psalm 73:23 (NIV)

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He is before all things, and in him all things hold together

Colossians 1:17 (NIV)

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God can handle whatever I am facing

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When the wicked advance against me to devour me, it is my
enemies and my foes who will stumble and fall.

Psalm 27:2-10 (NIV)

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Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear; though war
break out against me, even then I will be confident.

Psalm 27:2-10 (NIV)

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Though my father and mother forsake me, the Lord will receive me.

Psalm 27:2-10 (NIV)

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Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters,
whenever you face trials of many kinds,

James 1:2 (NIV)



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We need to have a strategy of life, a strategy of dealing with fears and anxieties, that can stand up to anything.

Timothy Keller

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One thing I ask from the Lord, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple.

Psalm 27:4-5 (NIV)

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For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent and set me high upon a rock.

Psalm 27:4-5 (NIV)

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Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.

Matthew 7:24-27 (NIV)

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But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.”

Matthew 7:24-27 (NIV)

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Then my head will be exalted above the enemies who surround me; at his sacred tent I will sacrifice with shouts of joy; I will sing and make music to the Lord. Hear my voice when I call, Lord; be merciful to me and answer me. My heart says of you, “Seek his face!” Your face, Lord, I will seek.

Psalm 27:6-9 (NIV)

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Do not hide your face from me, do not turn your servant away in anger; you have been my helper. Do not reject me or forsake me, God my Savior.

Psalm 27:6-9 (NIV)

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Difficult circumstances can have a positive impact on my life

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Teach me your way, Lord; lead me in a straight path **because** of
my oppressors.

Psalm 27:11 (NIV)

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Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God. For just as we share abundantly in the sufferings of Christ, so also our comfort abounds through Christ.

2 Corinthians 1:3–5 (NIV)

God IS good and I will experience
it when I seek Him

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I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the Lord in
the land of the living. Wait for the Lord; be strong and take
heart and wait for the Lord.

Psalm 27:13-14 (NIV)

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Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:6–9 (NIV)

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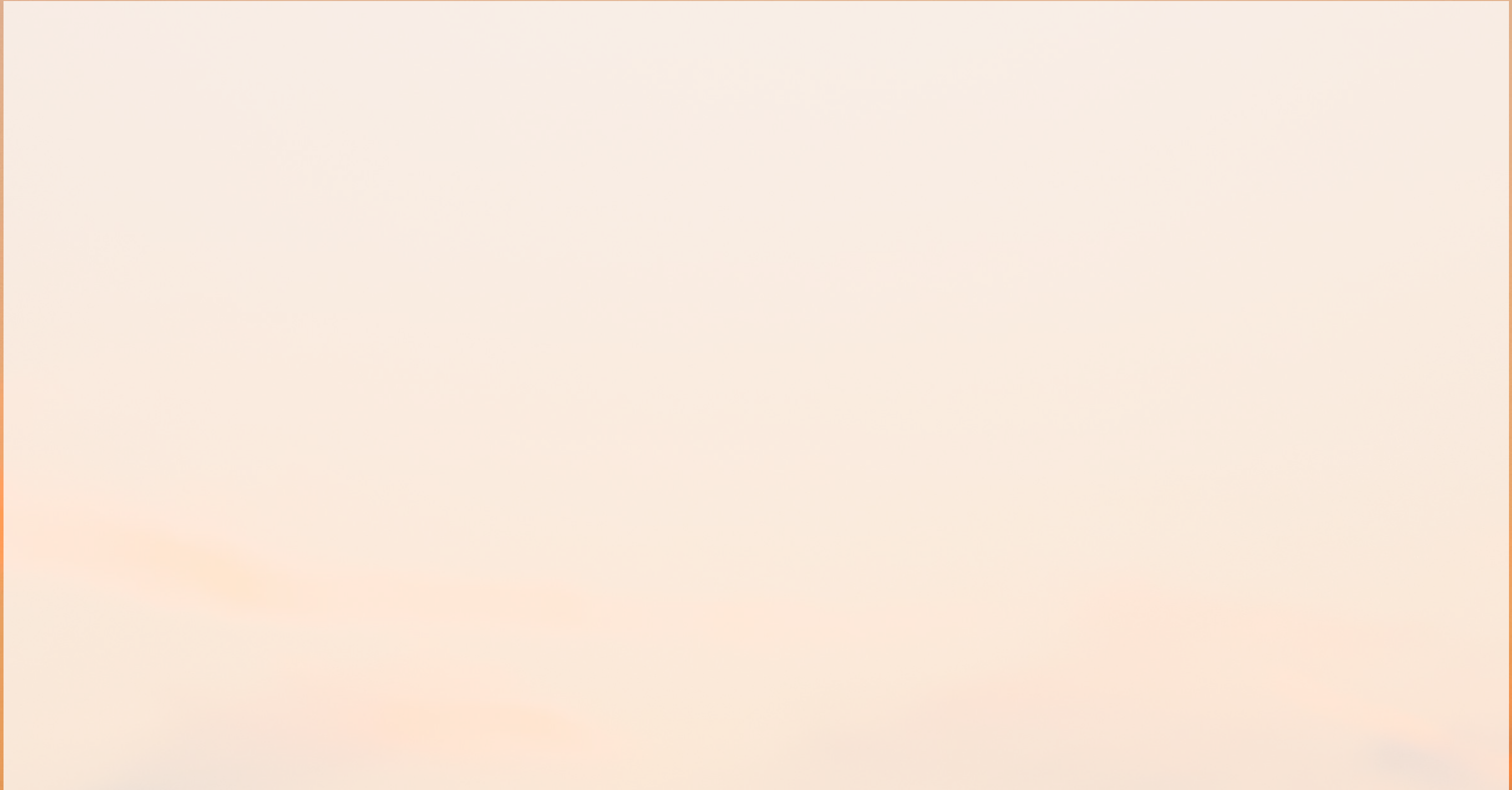
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Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

Philippians 4:6–9 (NIV)



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