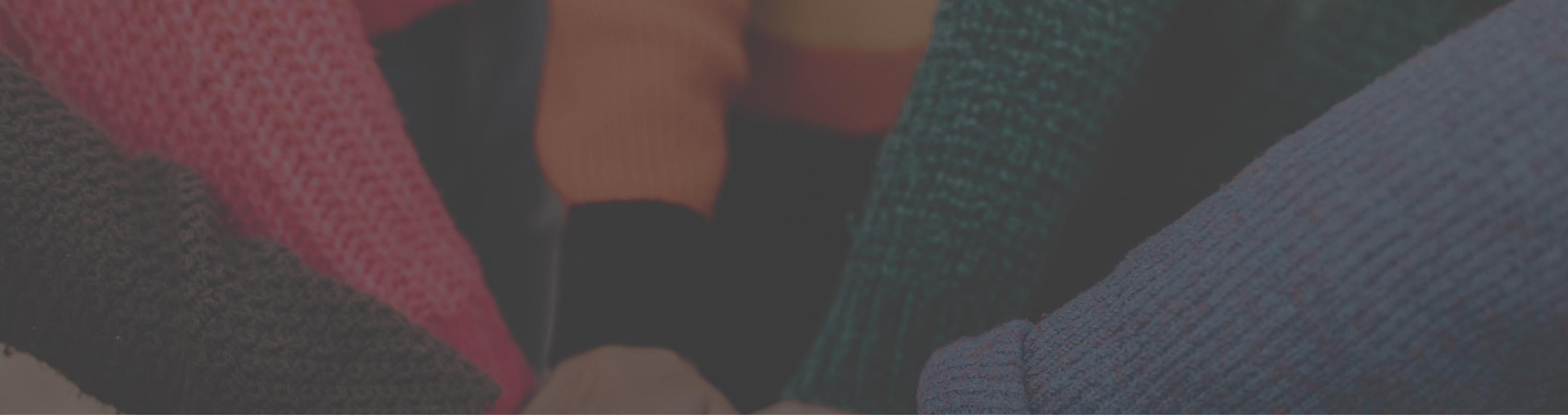
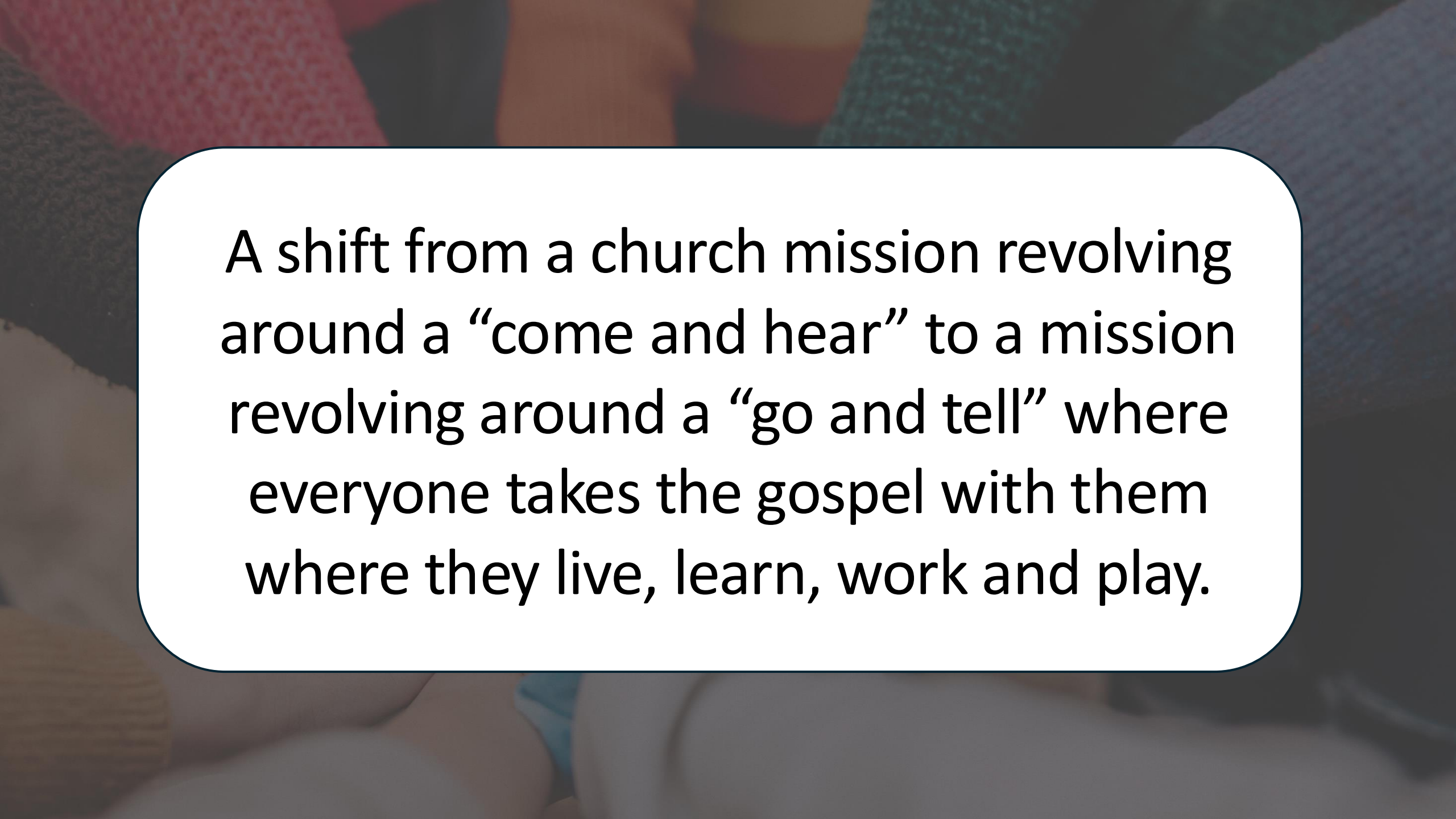

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The Church Everywhere, Every Day



A shift from a church mission revolving around a “come and hear” to a mission revolving around a “go and tell” where everyone takes the gospel with them where they live, learn, work and play.

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.

Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve…

Nobody is good enough to go to heaven

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

Romans 3:23 (NIV)

Not only do we not deserve heaven,
but we all deserve hell

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 6:23 (NIV)

God sent Jesus to make a way for us to be forgiven

But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.

Romans 5:8 (NIV)

To be saved from what we deserve we must place our faith and trust in Jesus alone

If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.

Romans 5:8 (NIV)

Jesus will save us from what we deserve, but we have to ask him and profess our faith in Him

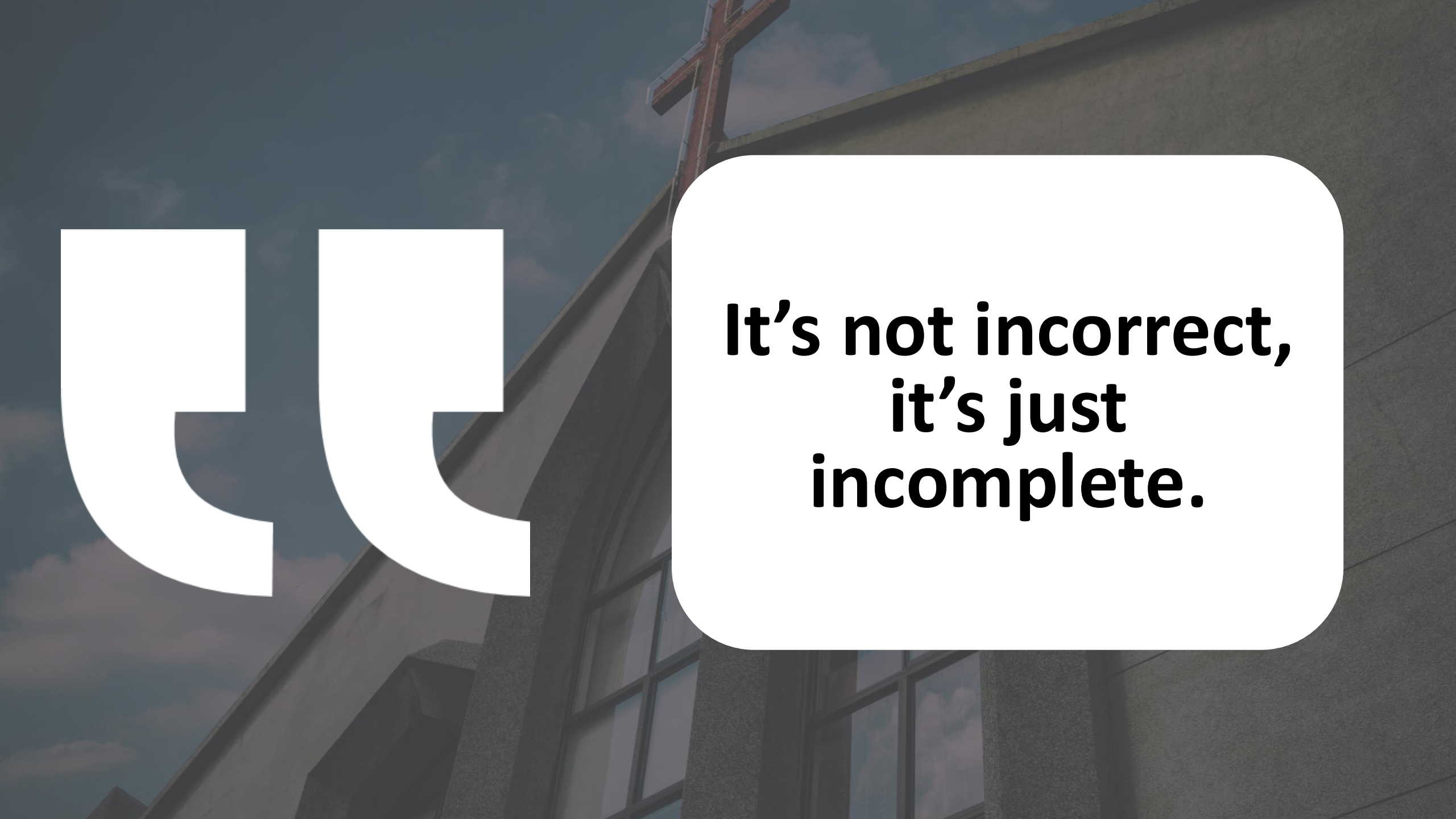
for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Romans 10:13 (NIV)

Our biggest obstacle?

“I know I’m not perfect, but I’m not that bad”



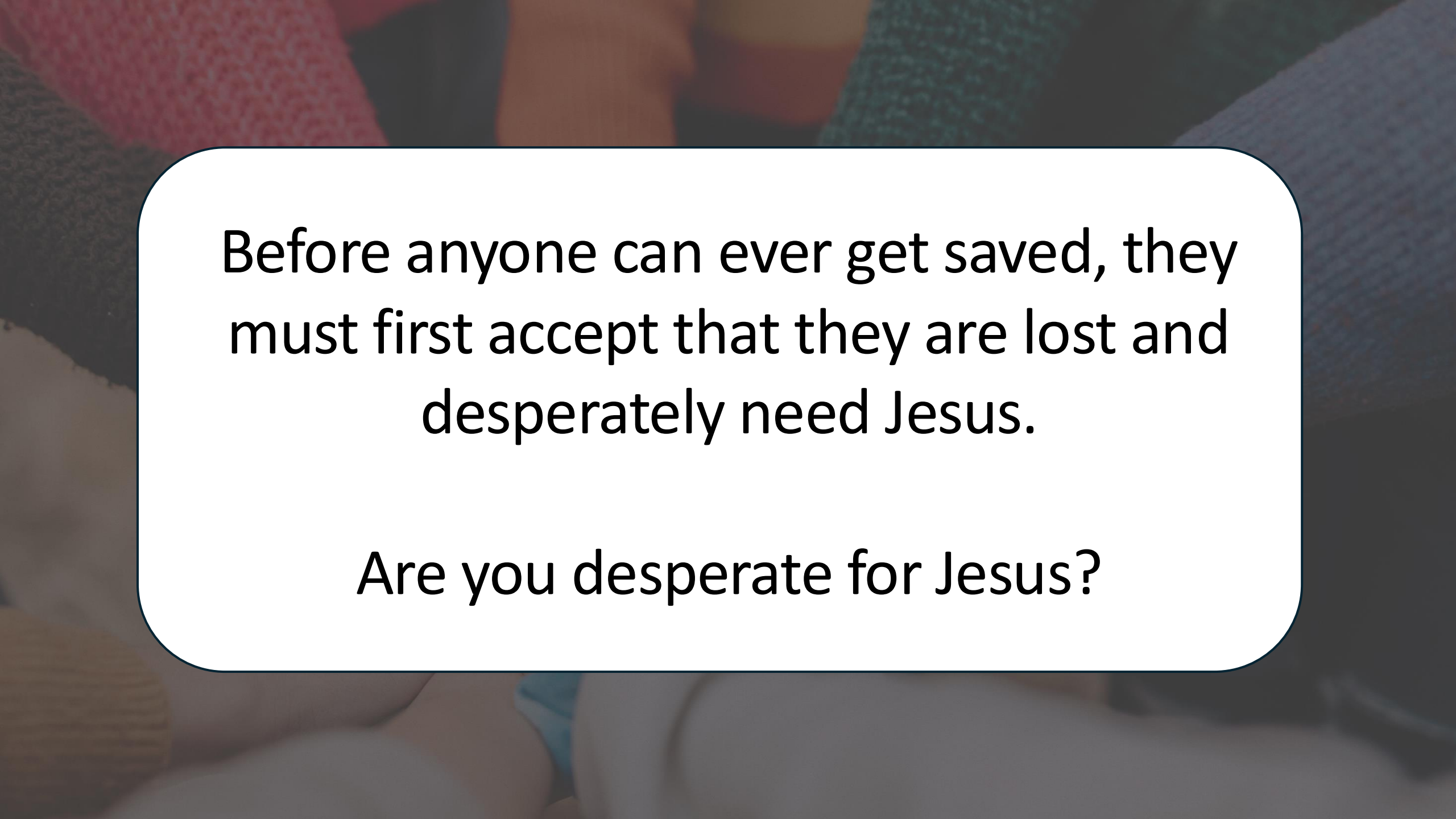


It’s not incorrect, it’s just incomplete.

One of the biggest challenges in our community is that most people don’t think they desperately need Jesus. They see Him as a helpful addition rather than a necessity.

You say, ‘I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.’

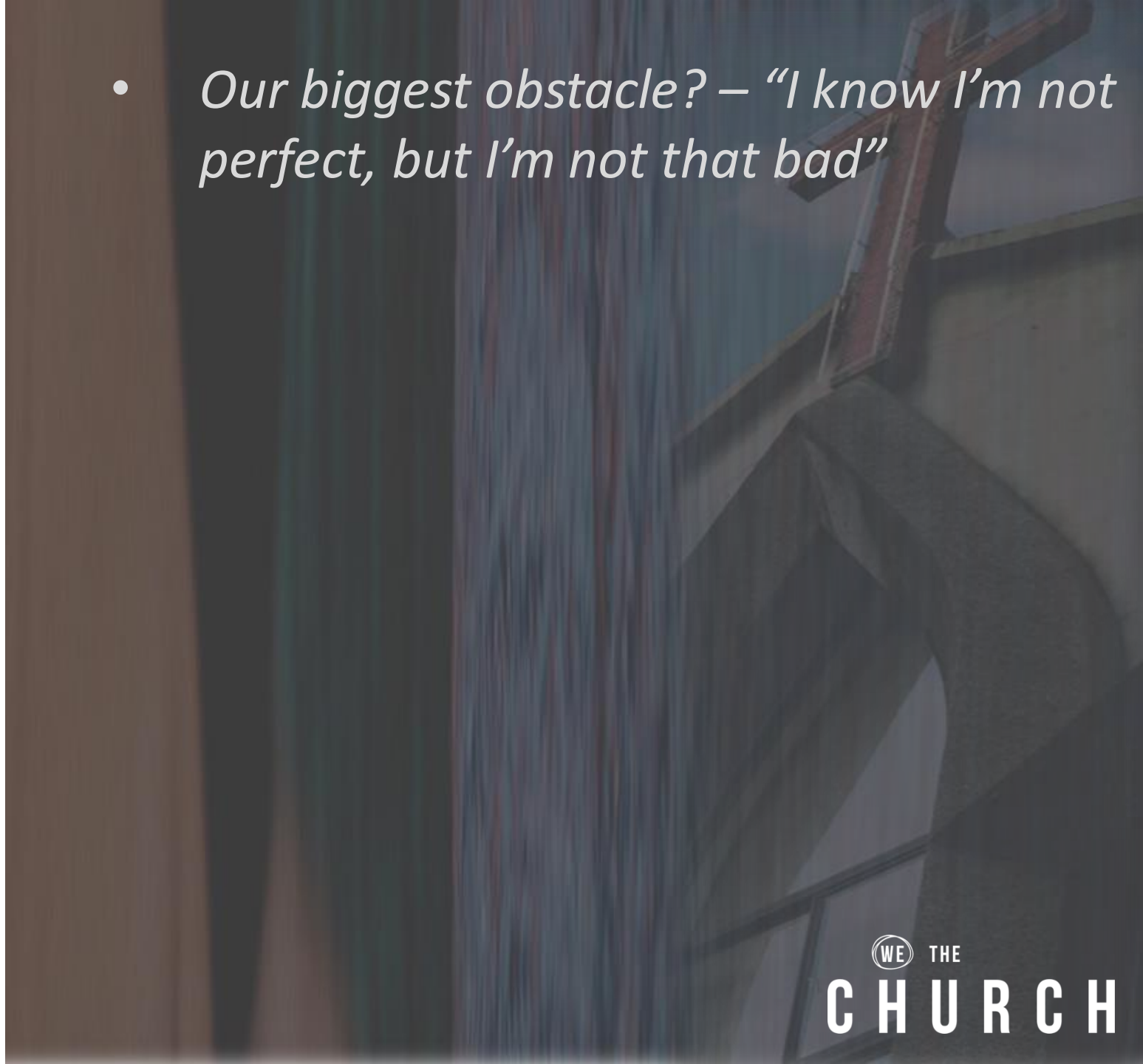
But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked.



Before anyone can ever get saved, they must first accept that they are lost and desperately need Jesus.

Are you desperate for Jesus?

What does God say about this?



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Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

Yet you desired faithfulness even in the womb; you taught me wisdom in that secret place.

Indeed, there is no one on earth who is righteous, no one who does what is right and never sins.

As it is written: “There is no one righteous, not even one; there is no one who understands; there is no one who seeks God.

All have turned away, they have together become worthless; there is no one who does good, not even one.”

“Their throats are open graves; their tongues practice deceit.” “The poison of vipers is on their lips.” “Their mouths are full of cursing and bitterness.”

“Their feet are swift to shed blood; ruin and misery mark their ways, and the way of peace they do not know.” “There is no fear of God before their eyes.”

Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God.

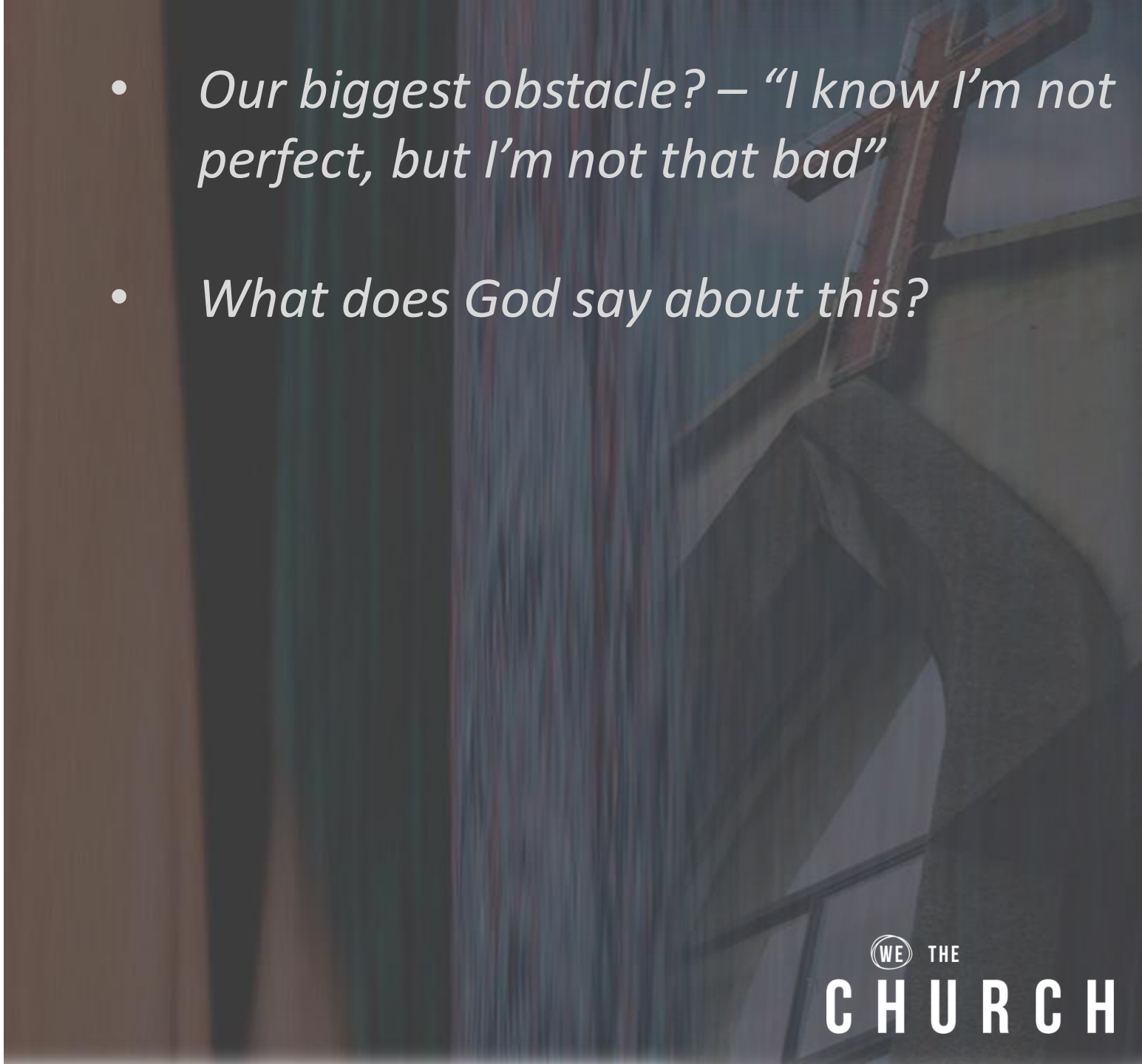
Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin.

One of the main purposes of the law isn’t to show you how to get to heaven. It’s to show you why you don’t deserve to go to heaven.

But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify.

This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.

What's the big deal about a little sin?



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With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God’s grace was so powerfully at work in them all that there were no needy persons among them.

For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need. Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called Barnabas (which means "son of encouragement"), sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles' feet.

Now a man named Ananias, together with his wife Sapphira, also sold a piece of property. With his wife's full knowledge he kept back part of the money for himself, but brought the rest and put it at the apostles' feet.

Then Peter said, “Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that you have lied to the Holy Spirit and have kept for yourself some of the money you received for the land? Didn’t it belong to you before it was sold? And after it was sold, wasn’t the money at your disposal?

What made you think of doing such a thing? You have not lied just to human beings but to God.” When Ananias heard this, he fell down and died. And great fear seized all who heard what had happened. Then some young men came forward, wrapped up his body, and carried him out and buried him

About three hours later his wife came in, not knowing what had happened. Peter asked her, “Tell me, is this the price you and Ananias got for the land?” “Yes,” she said, “that is the price.”

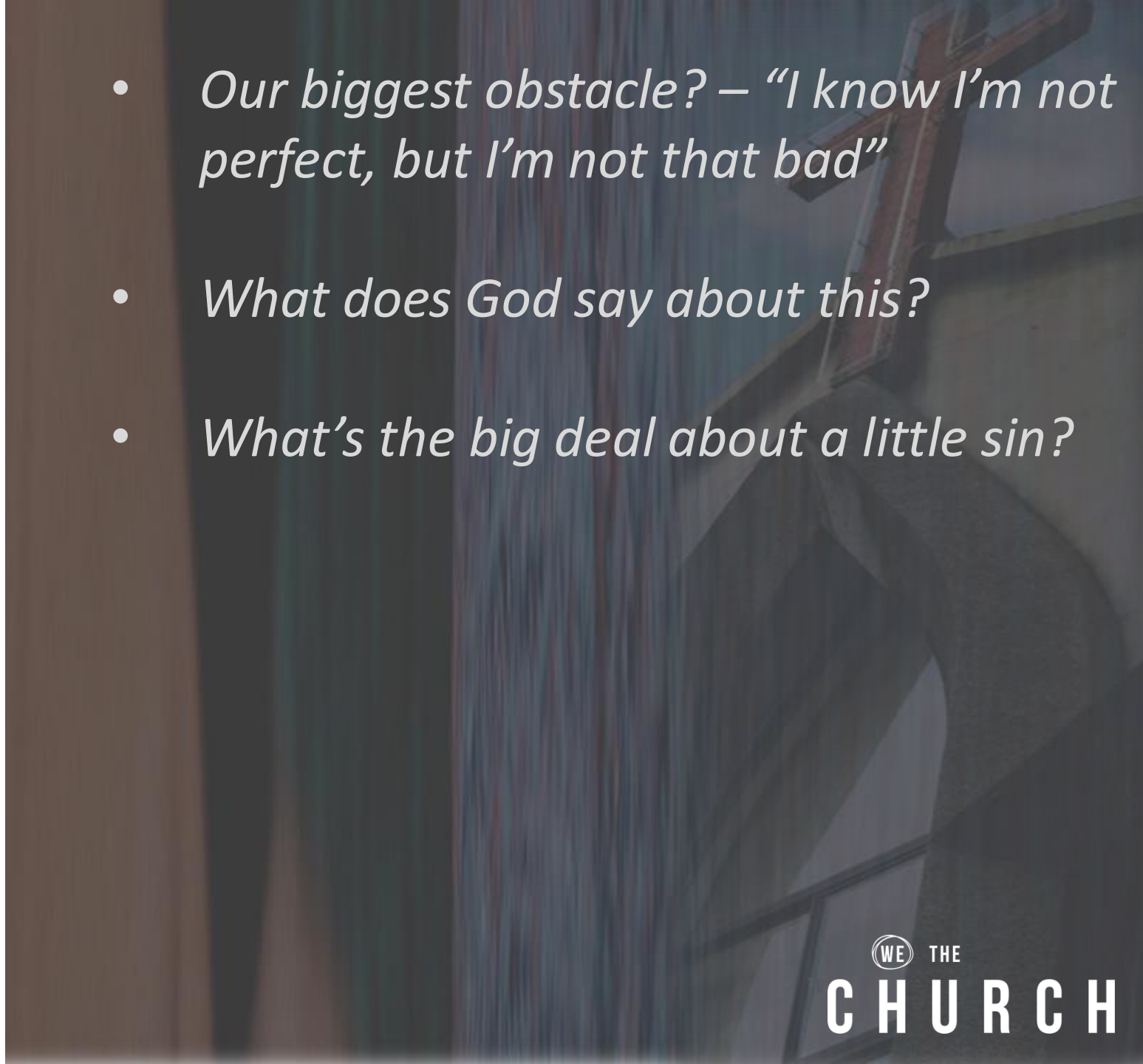
Peter said to her, “How could you conspire to test the Spirit of the Lord? Listen! The feet of the men who buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out also.” At that moment she fell down at his feet and died. Then the young men came in and, finding her dead, carried her out and buried her beside her husband. Great fear seized the whole church and all who heard about these events.

God did this so that, by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to take hold of the hope set before us may be greatly encouraged.

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all.

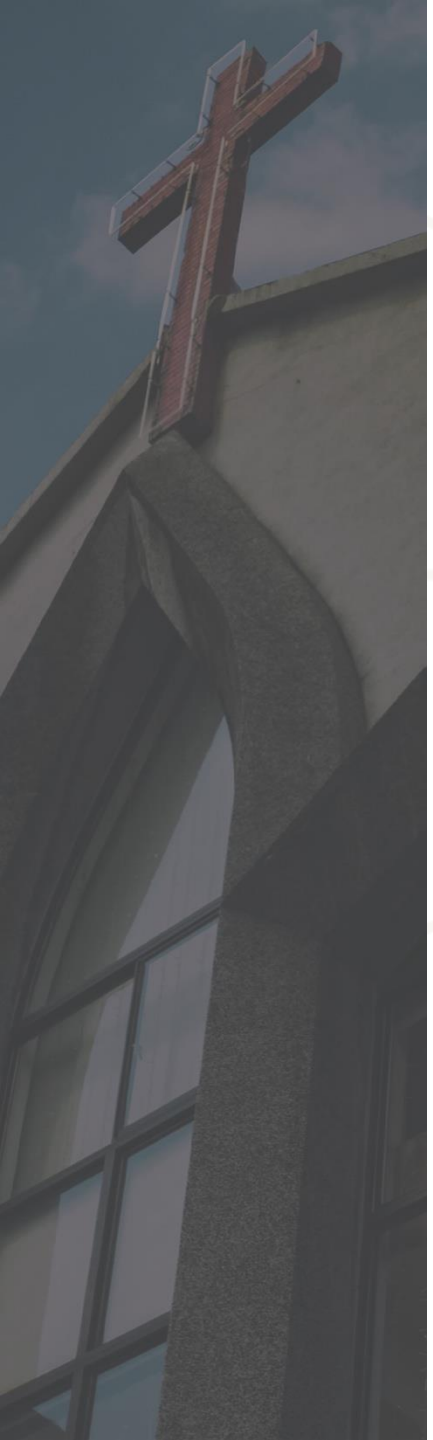
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Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord,


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