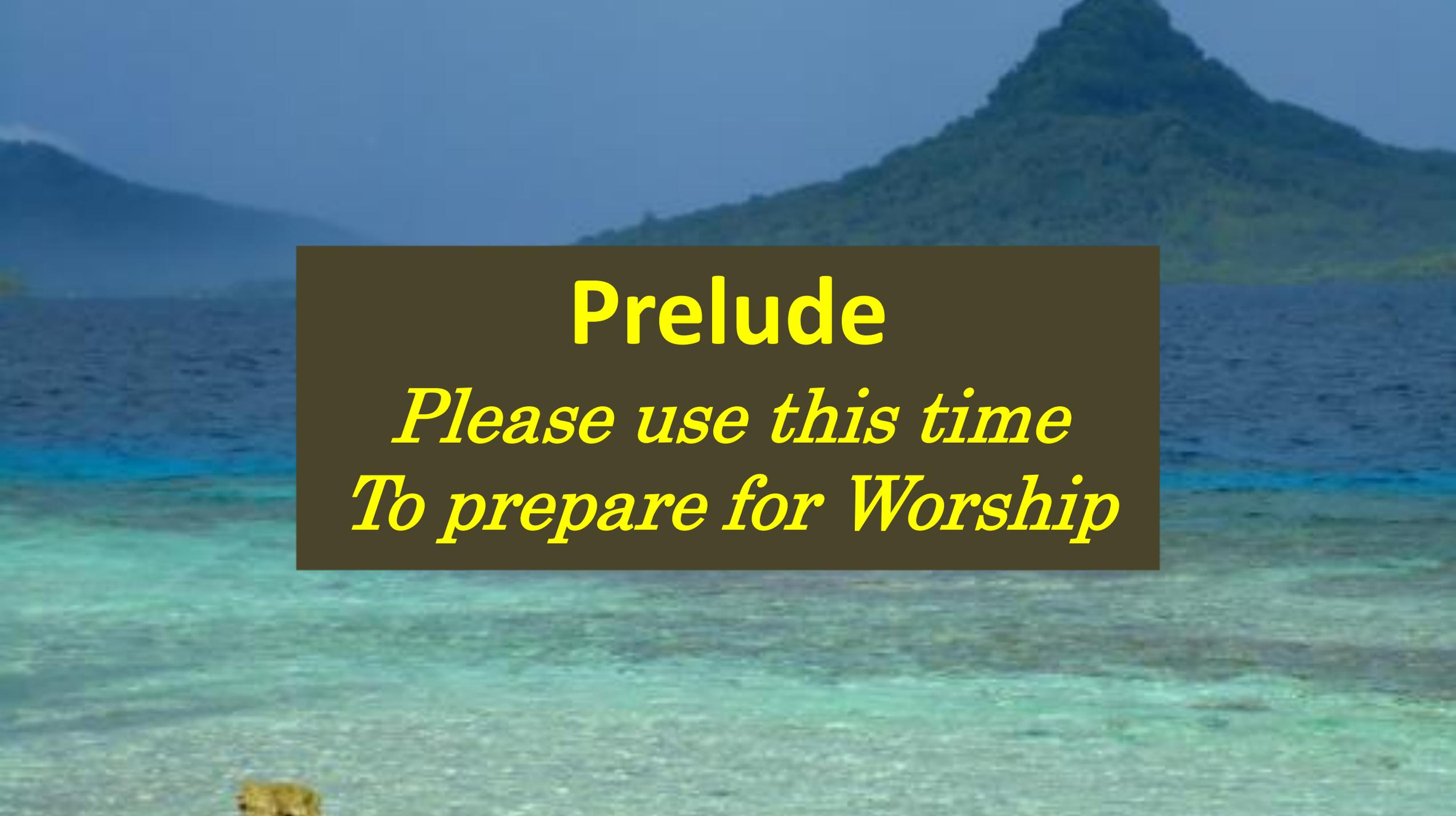




**FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CRC  
WORSHIP SERVICE  
February 19, 2023**

**Worship Leaders: Various plus Pastor Frank Guter**



# Prelude

*Please use this time  
To prepare for Worship*

The image is a composite of two scenes. The top half shows a sunset over a dark, silty landscape with a layer of low-lying clouds. The bottom half shows a close-up of a glowing orange and yellow lava flow within a dark crater, with bright cracks visible in the lava's surface.

# Welcome & Opening Prayer



# Responsive Call to Worship

**RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Ps. 105:1-5)

L: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

**P: With all my being I bless his holy name.**

L: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget none of his benefits.

**P: He pardons all my wrongdoing and heals all my ills.**

L: He rescues me from death's pit and crowns me with love  
and compassion.

**P: He satisfies me with all good in the prime of life,  
and my youth is renewed like an eagle's.**

L: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

**P: With all my being I bless his holy name.**

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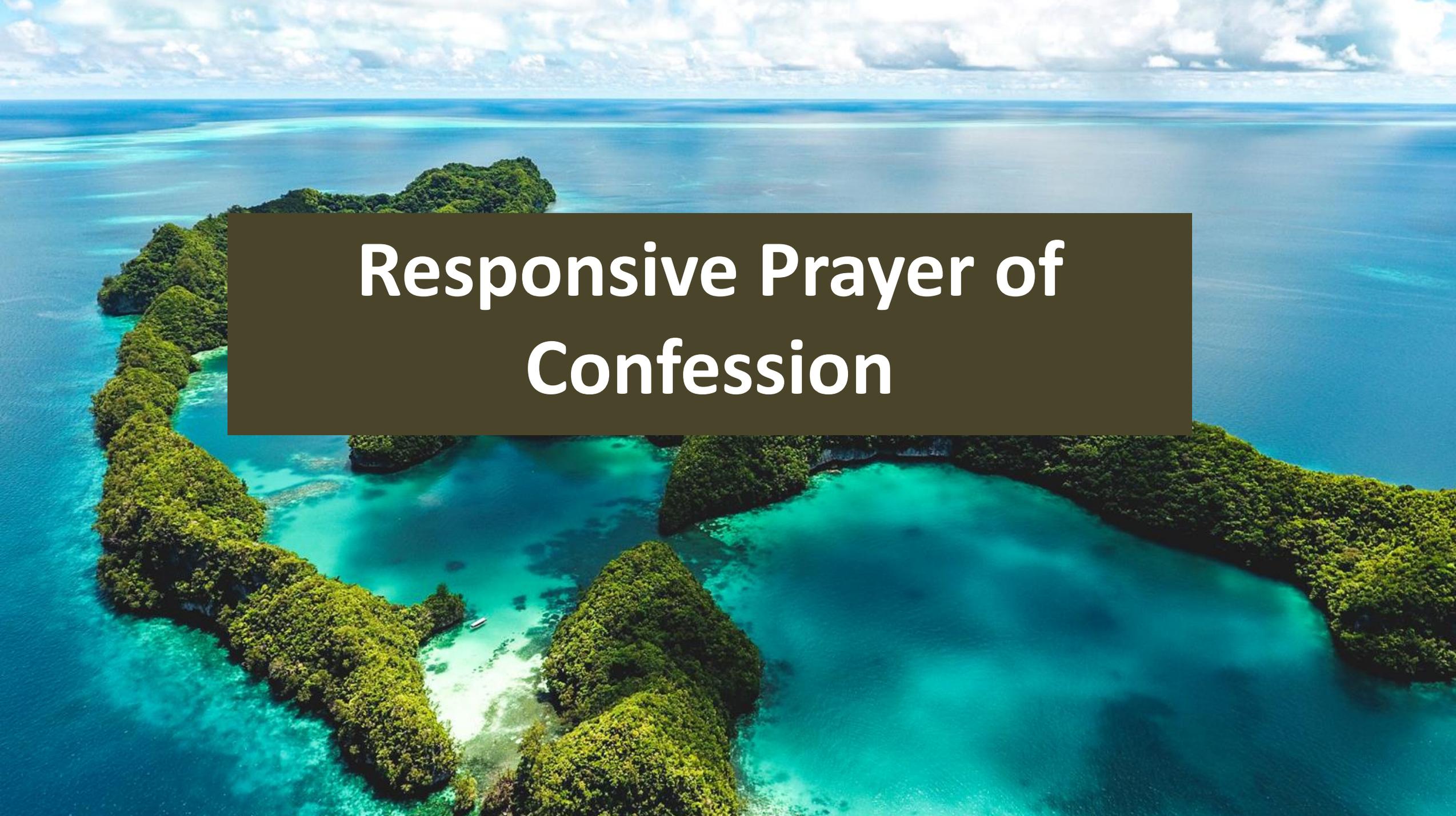
**Song [Red] # 578 Forever  
(YWG)**

An aerial photograph of a volcanic island, likely Pinatubo in the Philippines. The island is a large, brown, conical mountain with a prominent crater. A massive, billowing plume of white smoke or ash rises from the crater, extending high into the sky. The surrounding ocean is a deep blue, with some white surf visible at the island's base. In the distance, other smaller islands are visible on the horizon under a cloudy sky.

# God's Greeting & Mutual Greeting

***Song [Red] #738 "Jesus, All For Jesus"  
[YWG will sing through once;  
congregation joins in 2nd time]***



An aerial photograph of a tropical island with lush green vegetation and clear turquoise water. A dark, semi-transparent rectangular overlay is centered over the image, containing the text "Responsive Prayer of Confession" in white, bold, sans-serif font. The background shows the island's coastline, a small white boat on a sandy beach, and the vast ocean under a cloudy sky.

# Responsive Prayer of Confession

**RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (SLIDE ONE)**

L: Jesus said: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments."

**P: Eternal God, we confess that often we have failed to be an obedient church:  
we have not done your will;  
we have broken your law.**

**RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (SLIDE TWO)**

L: Jesus said: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind" and "you shall love your neighbor as yourself."

**P: We have rebelled against your love;**

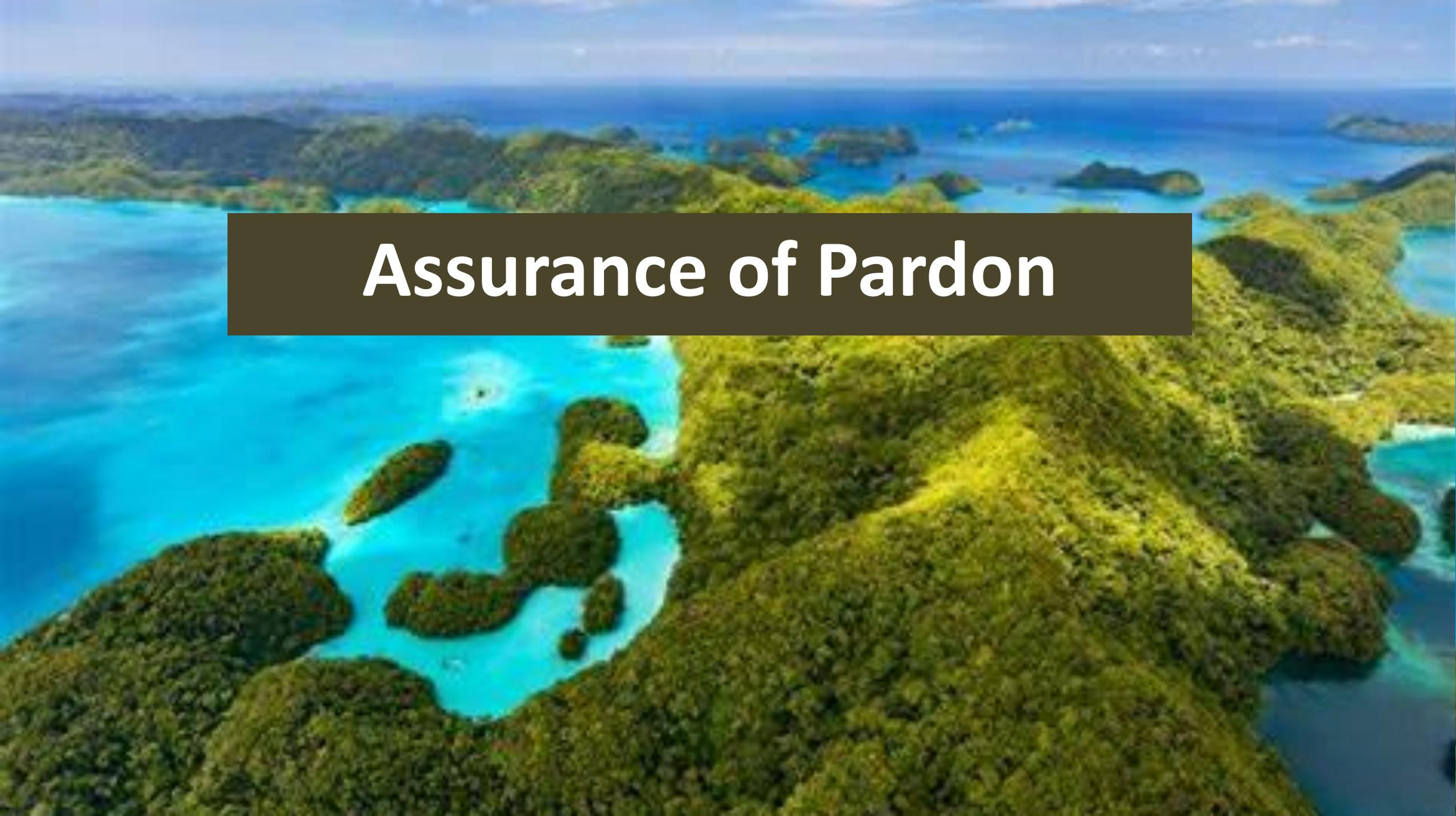
**we have not loved our neighbors;**

**we have not been listening carefully**

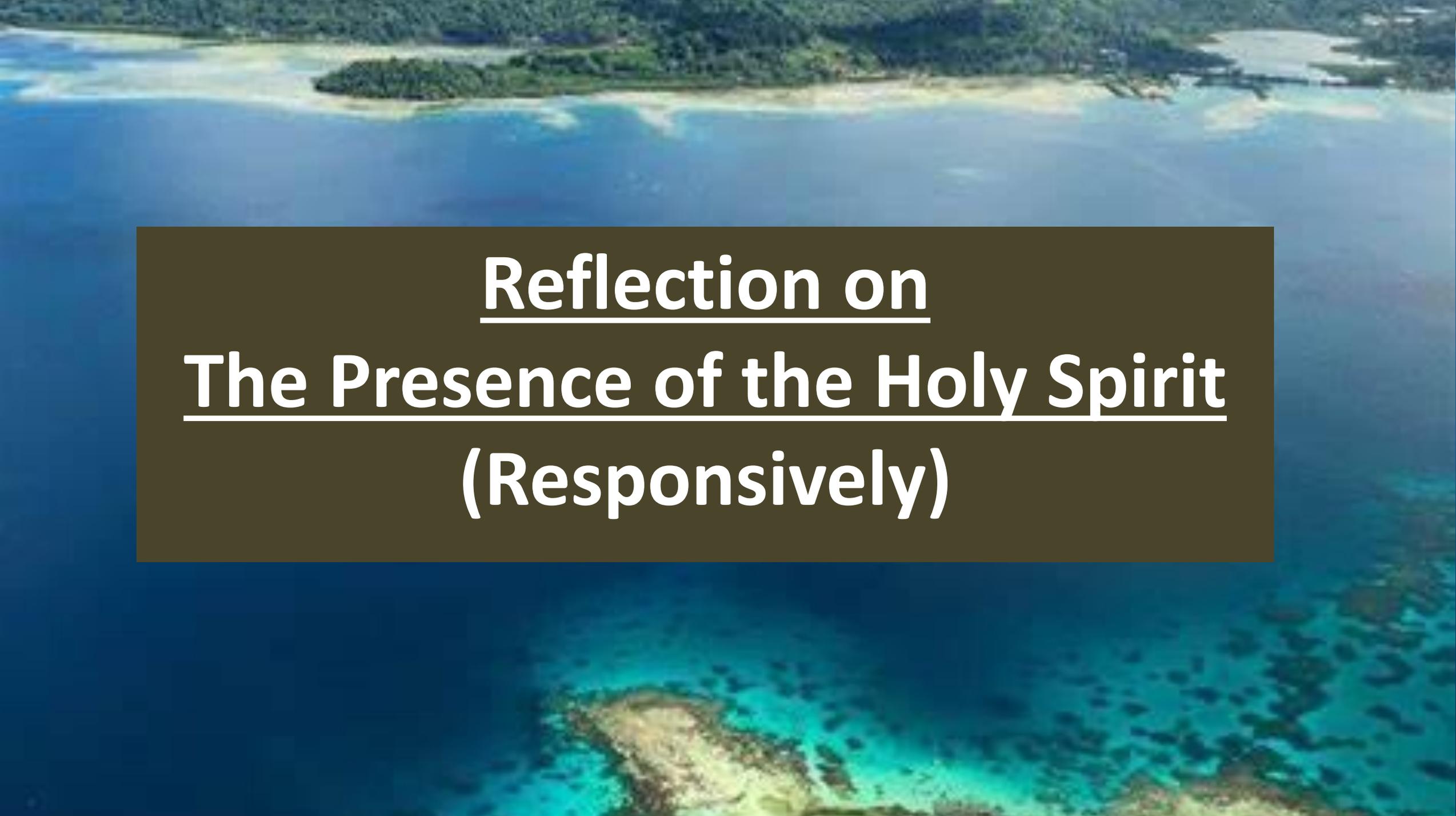
**to their need for you.**

**Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience.**

**Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

An aerial photograph of a tropical island. The foreground is dominated by a dense, lush green forest. To the left, a small, irregularly shaped island is surrounded by shallow, clear turquoise water. The water transitions from a light blue near the shore to a deeper blue further out. In the background, more islands and a vast expanse of the ocean are visible under a clear sky.

# Assurance of Pardon

An aerial photograph of a tropical coastline. The top half shows a dark blue sea meeting a sandy beach and lush green hills. The bottom half shows clear turquoise water over a sandy reef flat. A dark brown rectangular box is centered over the image, containing white text.

Reflection on  
The Presence of the Holy Spirit  
(Responsively)

**REFLECTION ON THE PRESENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT p. 1**

L: We sing of God the Spirit, who from the beginning has swept over the face of creation, animating all energy and matter

**P: and moving in the human heart.**

L: We sing of God the Spirit, faithful and untameable,

**P: who is creatively and redemptively active in the world.**

L: The Spirit challenges us to celebrate the holy -- not only in what is familiar, but also in that which seems foreign.

**REFLECTION ON THE PRESENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT p. 2**

**P: We sing of the Spirit,**

L: who speaks our prayers of deepest longing and enfolds our concerns and confessions, transforming us and the world.

**P: We offer worship as an outpouring of gratitude and awe**

L: and a practice of opening ourselves to God's still, small voice of comfort, to God's rushing whirlwind of challenge.

**P: Through word, music, art, and sacrament,**

L: in community and in solitude,

**P: God changes our lives, our relationships, and our world.**

The background features a light blue sky with white sunburst rays emanating from the center. Several black musical notes and a treble clef are scattered across the scene. A large black treble clef is centered behind the text box. The text is white and centered within a black rectangular box.

*Song:* *[Red] # 580 Our God*  
*(YWG)*

A close-up photograph of a hand raised in prayer, with fingers spread and palm facing forward. The hand is set against a warm, glowing orange background that suggests a sunrise or sunset. The lighting is soft and directional, highlighting the contours of the hand.

**CONGREGATIONAL**  
**PRAYER**



**General Offering: *Ministry Fund***

***Special Offering***

***Peter and Robin Knapp –  
Wycliffe Missionaries for Micronesia***

Children aged 4—8 are welcome  
to go downstairs for  
Children's Church

An aerial photograph of a tropical island chain, likely in the Philippines. The islands are small, rounded, and covered in dense green vegetation. They are surrounded by shallow turquoise water with visible sandy beaches and coral reefs. The water transitions to a deeper blue as it extends into the distance. The overall scene is bright and vibrant, showcasing natural beauty.

**Message: “Responding to the  
Wonderful Power of God”**

An aerial photograph of a tropical coastline. The water is a vibrant turquoise color, transitioning to a deeper blue further out. The land is covered in dense green vegetation, with sandy beaches visible along the shore. The overall scene is bright and clear, suggesting a sunny day.

# ***Introductory Comments***



*THE BOOK OF*

# ACTS

TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH



# **THE MISSION OF GOD**



**DARING**

**FATHER**







**When  
a  
Lame Man  
Walks**





Lord &  
Savior

A large, stylized red cross is centered on the page. The cross has a 3D effect with a shadow cast to the right and bottom. The text 'Lord &' is positioned above the horizontal bar of the cross, and 'Savior' is positioned below it. The text is in a black, cursive font with a slight shadow.





Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of  
Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive.  
the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Act 2:38



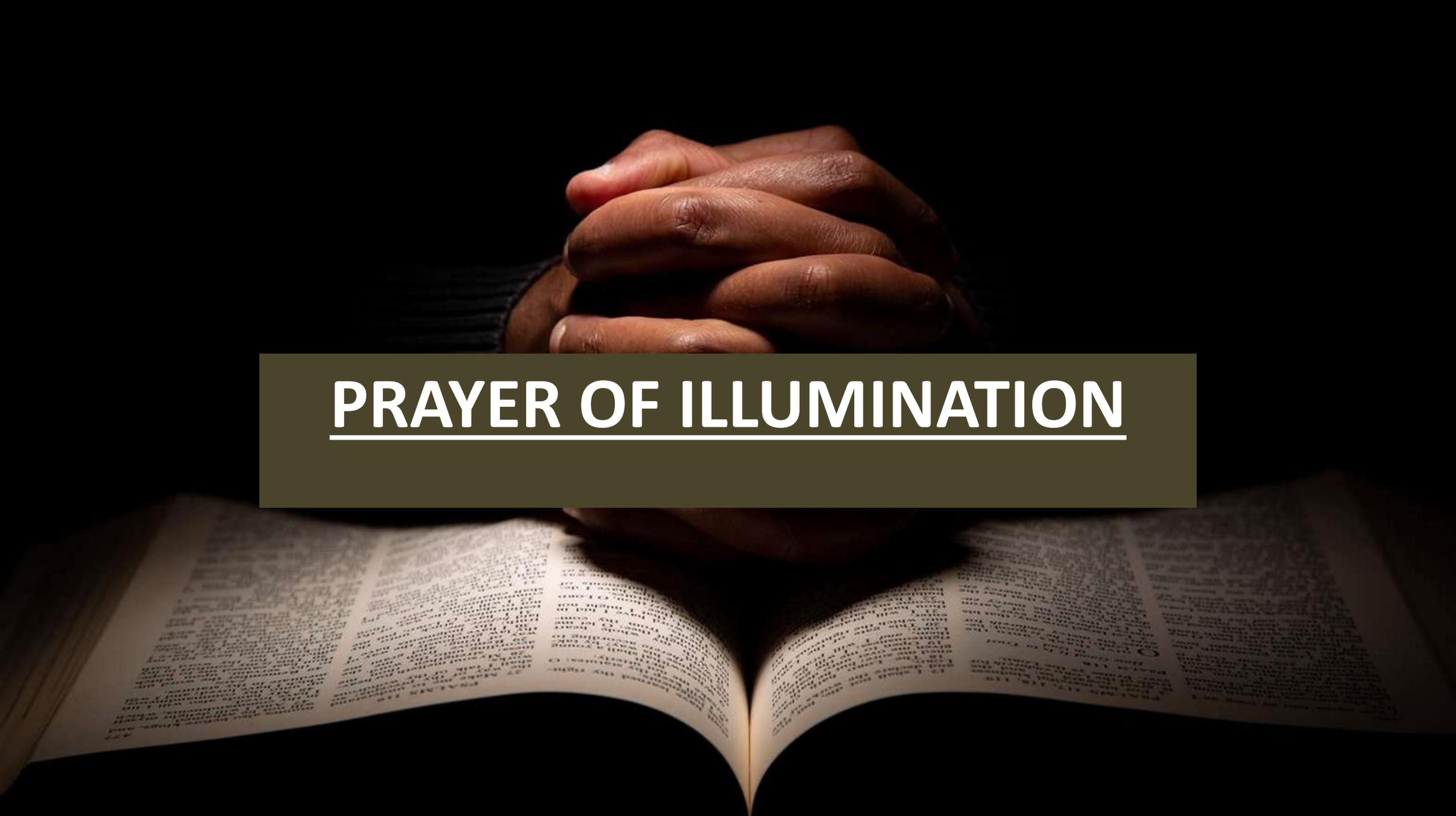
HE IS

The Way, The Truth,  
And The Life  
John 14:1-11





MISSION  
OF *God*

A close-up photograph of a person's hands clasped in prayer, resting on an open book. The hands are dark-skinned and are positioned in the center of the frame, with fingers interlaced. The book is open, showing two pages of text, which appears to be a prayer book or a Bible. The lighting is dramatic, with the hands and the book's pages illuminated against a dark background. A semi-transparent dark green banner is overlaid across the middle of the image, containing the text "PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION" in white, bold, uppercase letters. The banner has a thin white underline.

# PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

## Scripture Reading—Acts 3

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One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer—at three in the afternoon. <sup>2</sup> Now a man who was lame from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts. <sup>3</sup> When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. <sup>4</sup> Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, “Look at us!” <sup>5</sup> So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them.

## Scripture Reading—Acts 3

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<sup>6</sup> Then Peter said, “Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.” <sup>7</sup> Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man’s feet and ankles became strong. <sup>8</sup> He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God. <sup>9</sup> When all the people saw him walking and praising God, <sup>10</sup> they recognized him as the same man who used to sit begging at the temple gate called Beautiful, and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

## Scripture Reading—Acts 3

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<sup>11</sup> While the man held on to Peter and John, all the people were astonished and came running to them in the place called Solomon's Colonnade. <sup>12</sup> When Peter saw this, he said to them: "Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? <sup>13</sup> The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. <sup>14</sup> You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you.

## Scripture Reading—Acts 3

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<sup>15</sup> You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. <sup>16</sup> By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see.

<sup>17</sup> “Now, fellow Israelites, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did your leaders. <sup>18</sup> But this is how God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, saying that his Messiah would suffer. <sup>19</sup> Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, <sup>20</sup> and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you—even Jesus.

## Scripture Reading—Acts 3

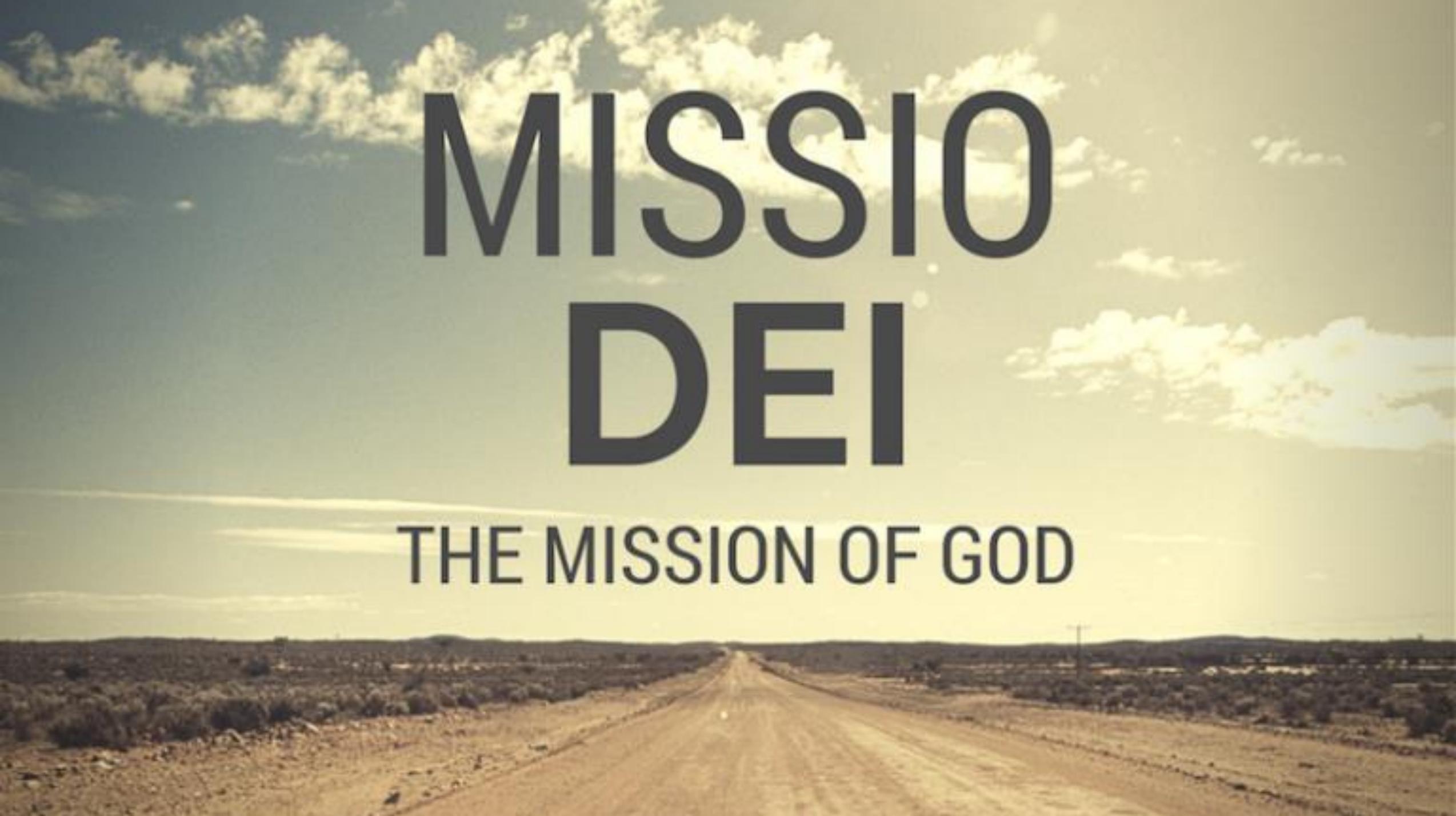
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<sup>21</sup> Heaven must receive him until the time comes for God to restore everything, as he promised long ago through his holy prophets. <sup>22</sup> For Moses said, ‘The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you must listen to everything he tells you. <sup>23</sup> Anyone who does not listen to him will be completely cut off from their people.’

## Scripture Reading—Acts 3

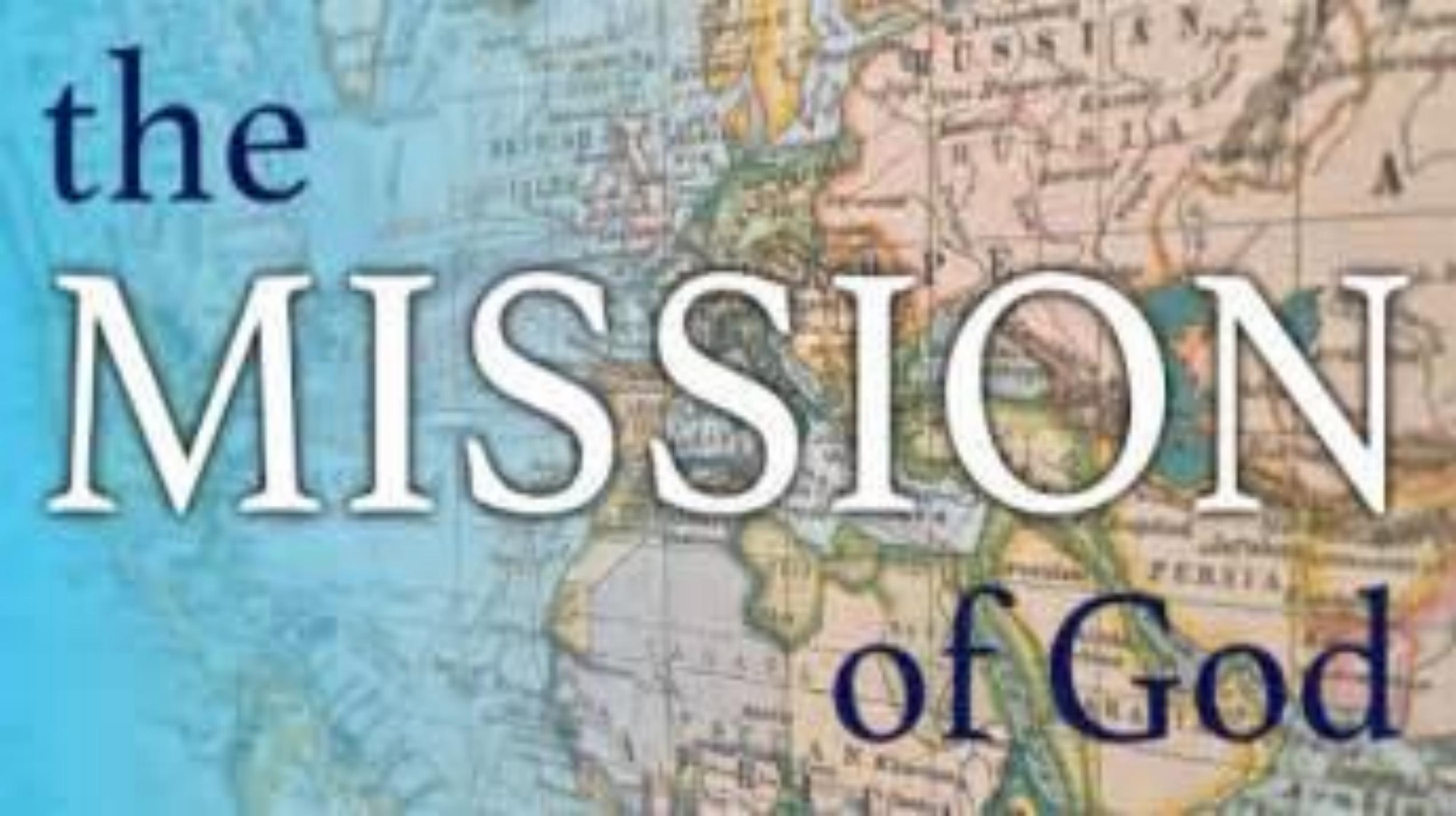
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<sup>24</sup> “Indeed, beginning with Samuel, all the prophets who have spoken have foretold these days. <sup>25</sup> And you are heirs of the prophets and of the covenant God made with your fathers. He said to Abraham, ‘Through your offspring all peoples on earth will be blessed.’ <sup>26</sup> When God raised up his servant, he sent him first to you to bless you by turning each of you from your wicked ways.”

A wide-angle photograph of a long, straight dirt road stretching from the foreground into the distance. The road is flanked by dry, scrubby vegetation. The sky is filled with scattered white and grey clouds, and the overall lighting is bright, suggesting a clear day.

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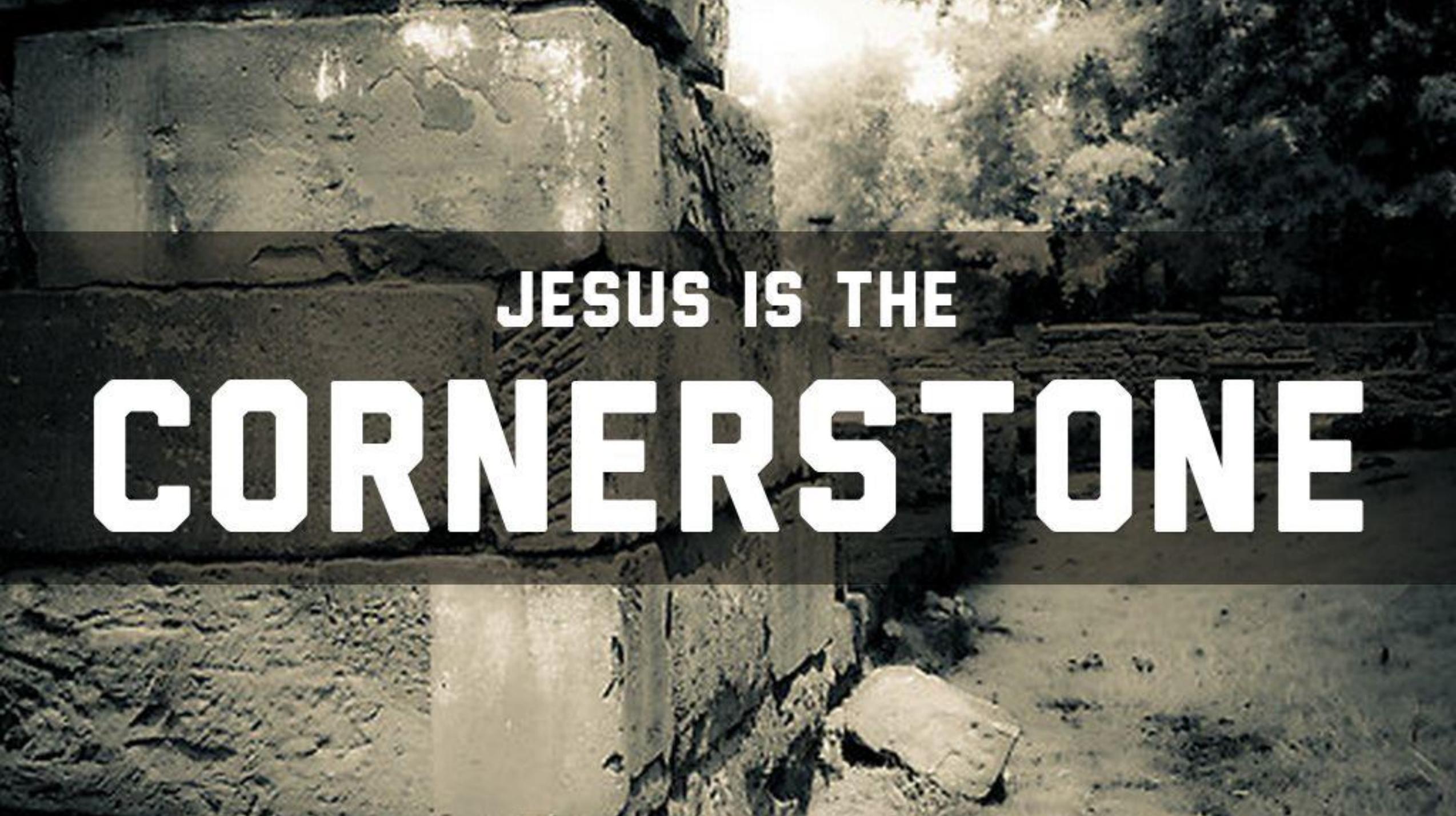
THE MISSION OF GOD



the

MISSION

of God

A photograph of a stone wall, possibly made of large, rough-hewn blocks. A semi-transparent dark banner is overlaid across the middle of the image. The text "JESUS IS THE" is written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font above the word "CORNERSTONE", which is written in a much larger, bold, white, sans-serif font. The background shows the texture of the stone and some foliage in the distance.

**JESUS IS THE  
CORNERSTONE**











Seek  
God with all your  
Heart.

~ Jeremiah 29:13



**PURSUE GOD'S MISSION  
BY THE POWER OF  
THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**TRUTH  
MATTERS**



There IS

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in the

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**When  
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AWWE

The image features a dark, star-filled space background. On the right side, a bright, glowing light source, possibly a star or a nebula, emits a powerful beam of light that spreads across the scene, creating a lens flare effect. The light is predominantly white and yellow, with some blue and red hues visible in the surrounding space. The word 'AWWE' is written in a large, white, serif font across the middle of the image. The letters are bold and have a slightly distressed or weathered appearance. A thin white horizontal line runs beneath the word.



**God is doing a new thing...**



Trust Jesus!

*Faith*

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A GIFT OF GOD

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THE NAME OF

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A vibrant tropical beach scene. In the foreground, two light blue boats are moored in clear, turquoise water. The boat on the right has a red and blue frame with the number '6' on it. In the background, a small island with a white sandy beach is covered in lush green palm trees and other tropical vegetation. A small building with a green roof is visible among the trees. The sky is bright blue with scattered white clouds.

# PRAYER OF RESPONSE



The background features a light blue sky with white sunbeams radiating from the top center. In the foreground, there are several black musical staves with various notes and a large treble clef. The text is centered in a black rectangular box.

***[CH] # 602***

***I Have Decided to Follow Jesus***



**CLOSING BLESSING**

***[CH] # 635 v. 2***  
***In the Garden***



