



## Follow Jesus

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*“Follow Me, and  
I will make you...”*

—Matthew 4:19

**IN HIS STEPS**  
THE SUBMISSION OF  
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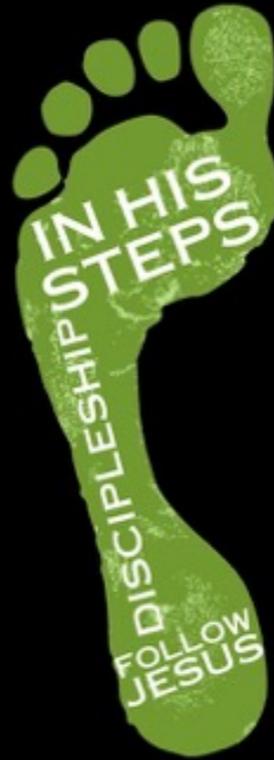
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Climbing the corporate ladder sounds easy  
It's more like this ... a crowd of people all trying to outdo and get ahead of others.

# Adopt the attitude of Jesus

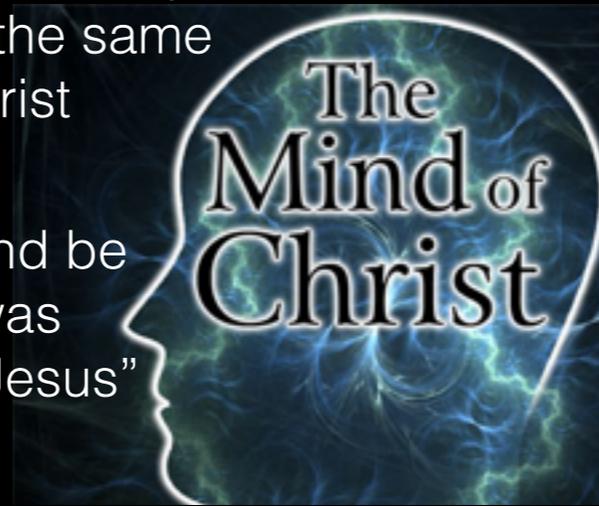


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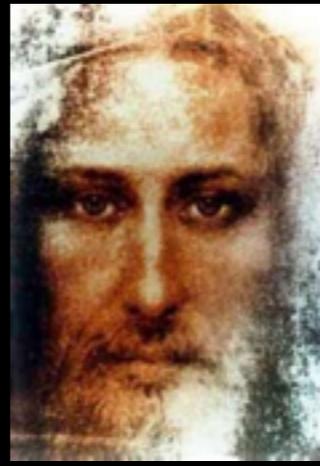


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What was the  
attitude of Christ?

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**great**  
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**first** MUST BE  
**slave** OF ALL.  
FOR EVEN THE  
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MARK 10:43-45

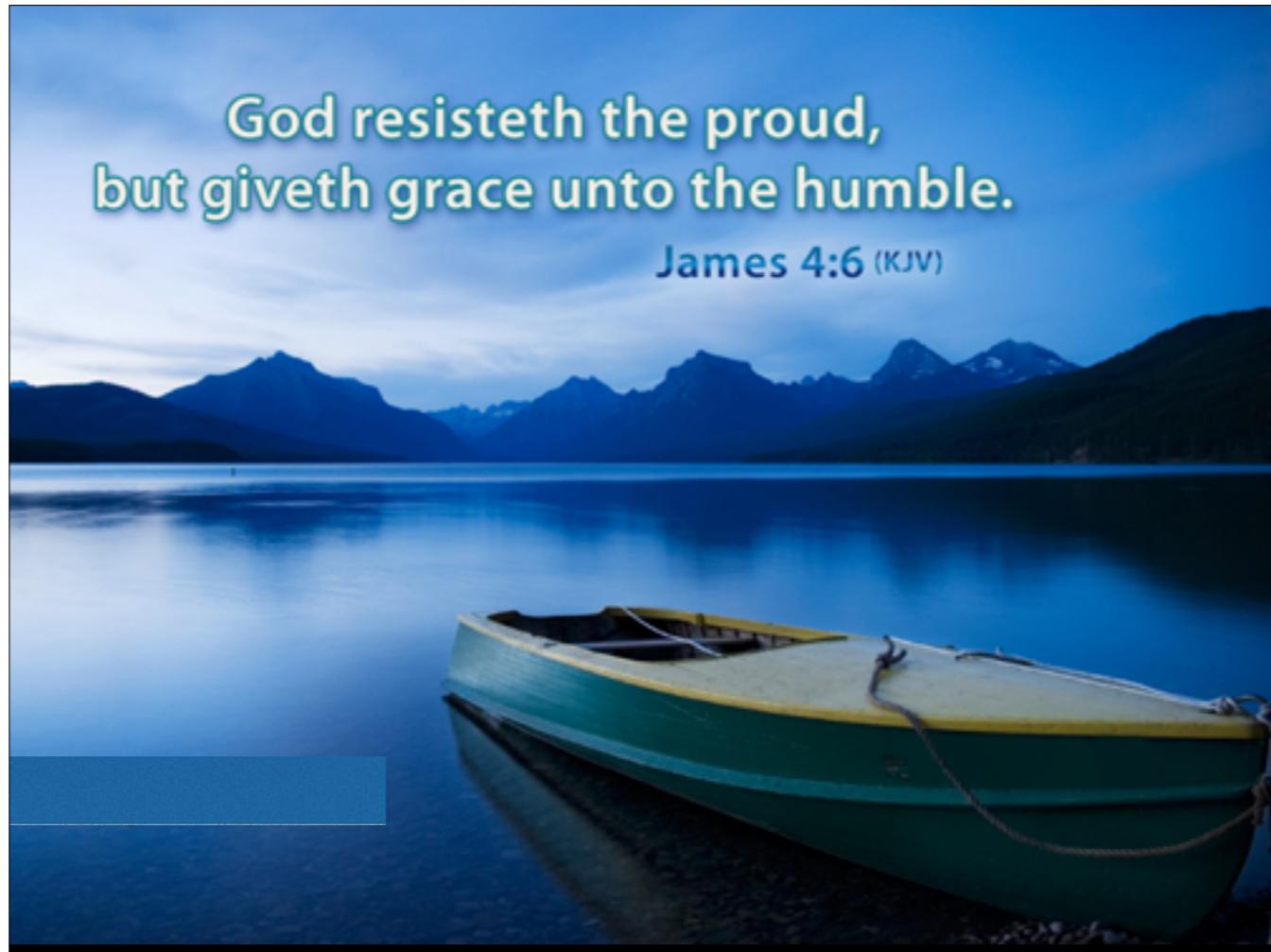
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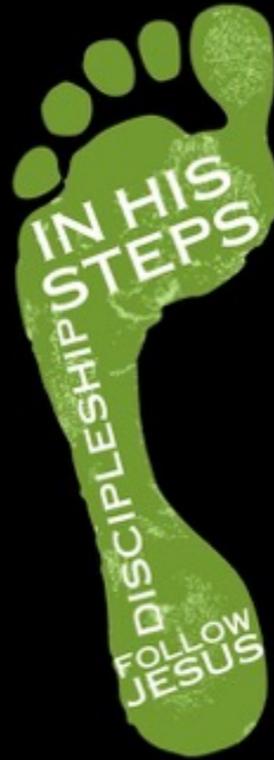
LK 18:14

God resisteth the proud,  
but giveth grace unto the humble.

James 4:6 (KJV)



# Abandon claims for entitlement



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—Philippians 2:6 NLT

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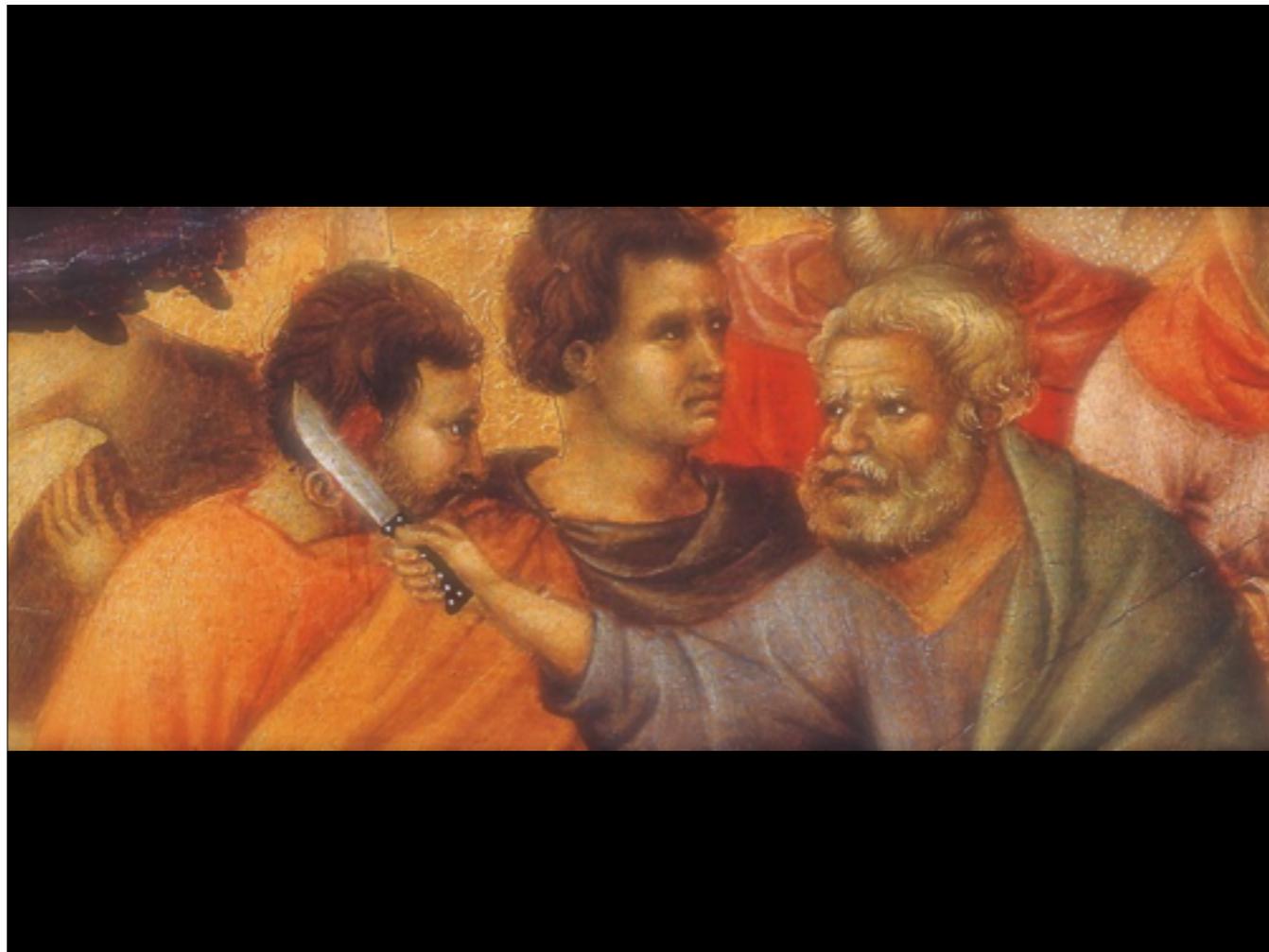
“who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God,” (NKJ)



He had superpowers! Yes, but he never used them for Himself  
Temptation in the Wilderness “Command these stones to be made bread”  
— Yet he took 5 loaves & 2 fish and fed a multitude

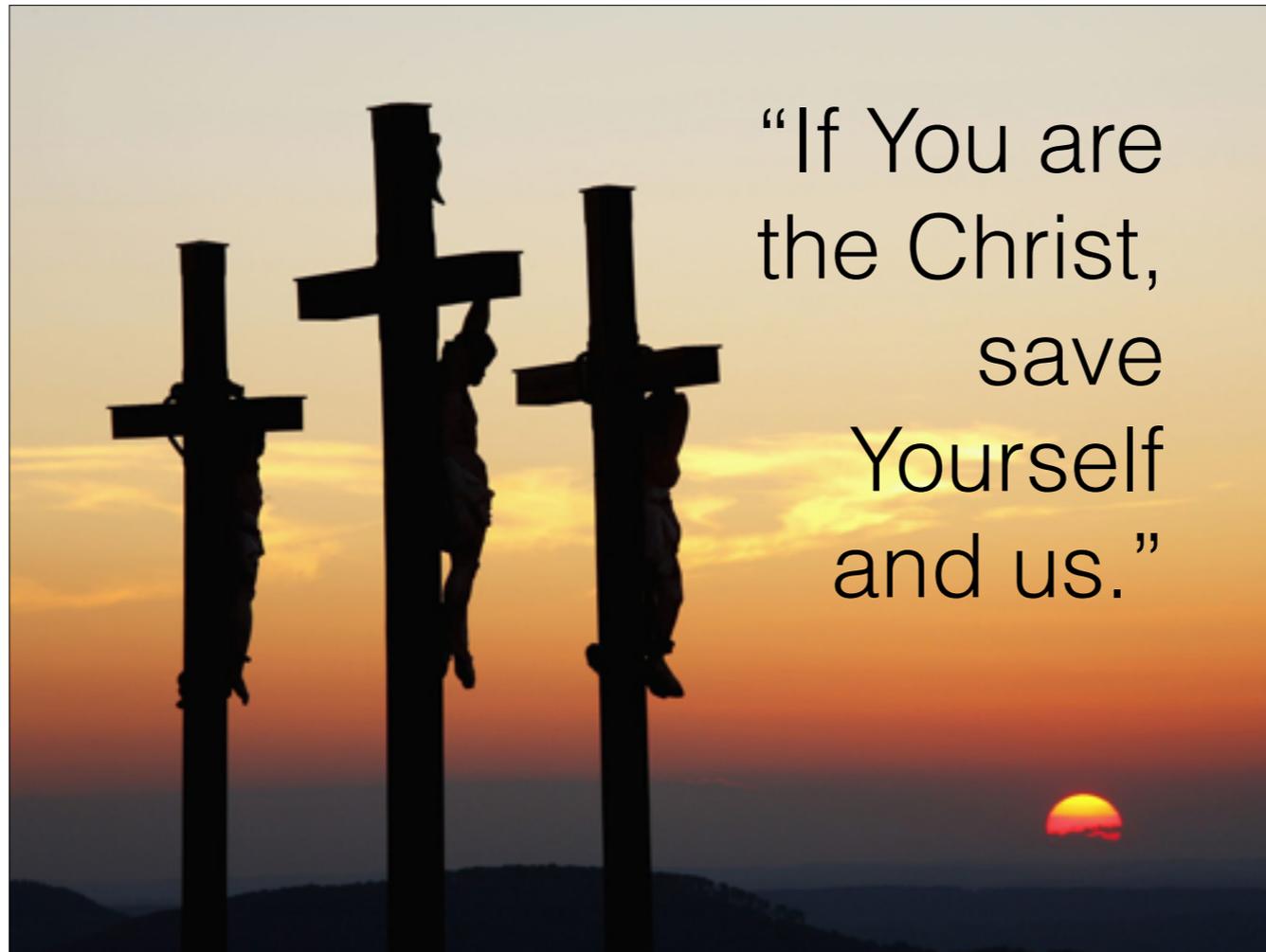


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Jesus in the Garden told Peter to put away His sword...

Matthew 26:53 Or do you think that I cannot now pray to My Father, and He will provide Me with more than twelve legions of angels? 54 How then could the Scriptures be fulfilled, that it must happen thus?"



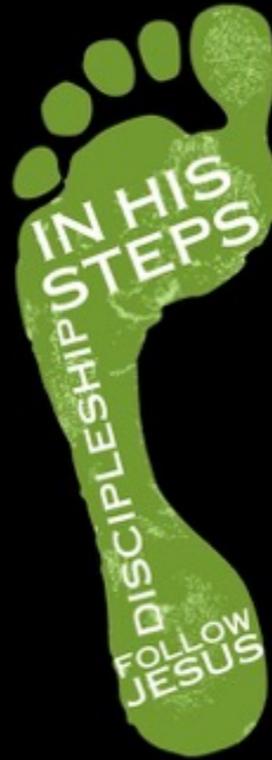
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Luke 23:39 Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying, “If You are the Christ,<sup>[j]</sup> save Yourself and us.”

40 But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, “Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation? 41 And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong.” 42 Then he said to Jesus, “Lord,<sup>[k]</sup> remember me when You come into Your kingdom.”

43 And Jesus said to him, “Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise.”

# Empty out selfish ambition



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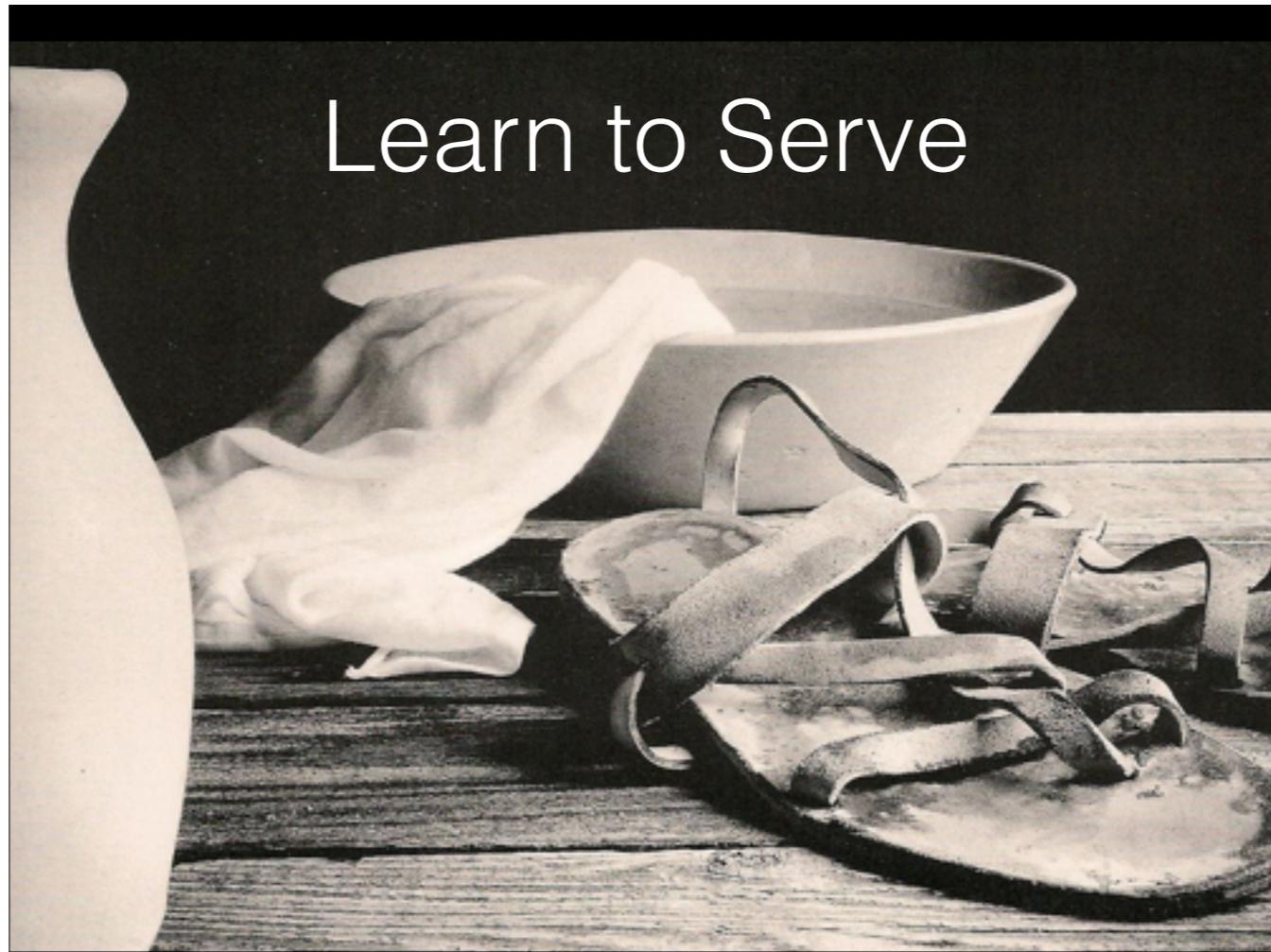
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“but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men.” (NKJ)

# Learn to Serve



## **An example of humble service**

John 13:2 And supper being ended, the devil having already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray Him, 3 Jesus, ..., 4 rose from supper and laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself. 5 After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded. 6 Then He came to Simon Peter. And Peter said to Him, "Lord, are You washing my feet?"

7 Jesus answered and said to him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but you will know after this."

8 Peter said to Him, "You shall never wash my feet!"

Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me."

9 Simon Peter said to Him, "Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head!"

10 Jesus said to him, "He who is bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all of you." 11 For He knew who would betray Him; therefore He said, "You are not all clean."

12 So when He had washed their feet, taken His garments, and sat down again, He said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? [HERE IS THE LESSON]

13 You call Me Teacher and Lord, and you say well, for so I am. 14 If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.

15 For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you. 16 Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him. 17 If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.

—35 By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

# Take on humility



“When he appeared in human form, he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal’s death on a cross.”

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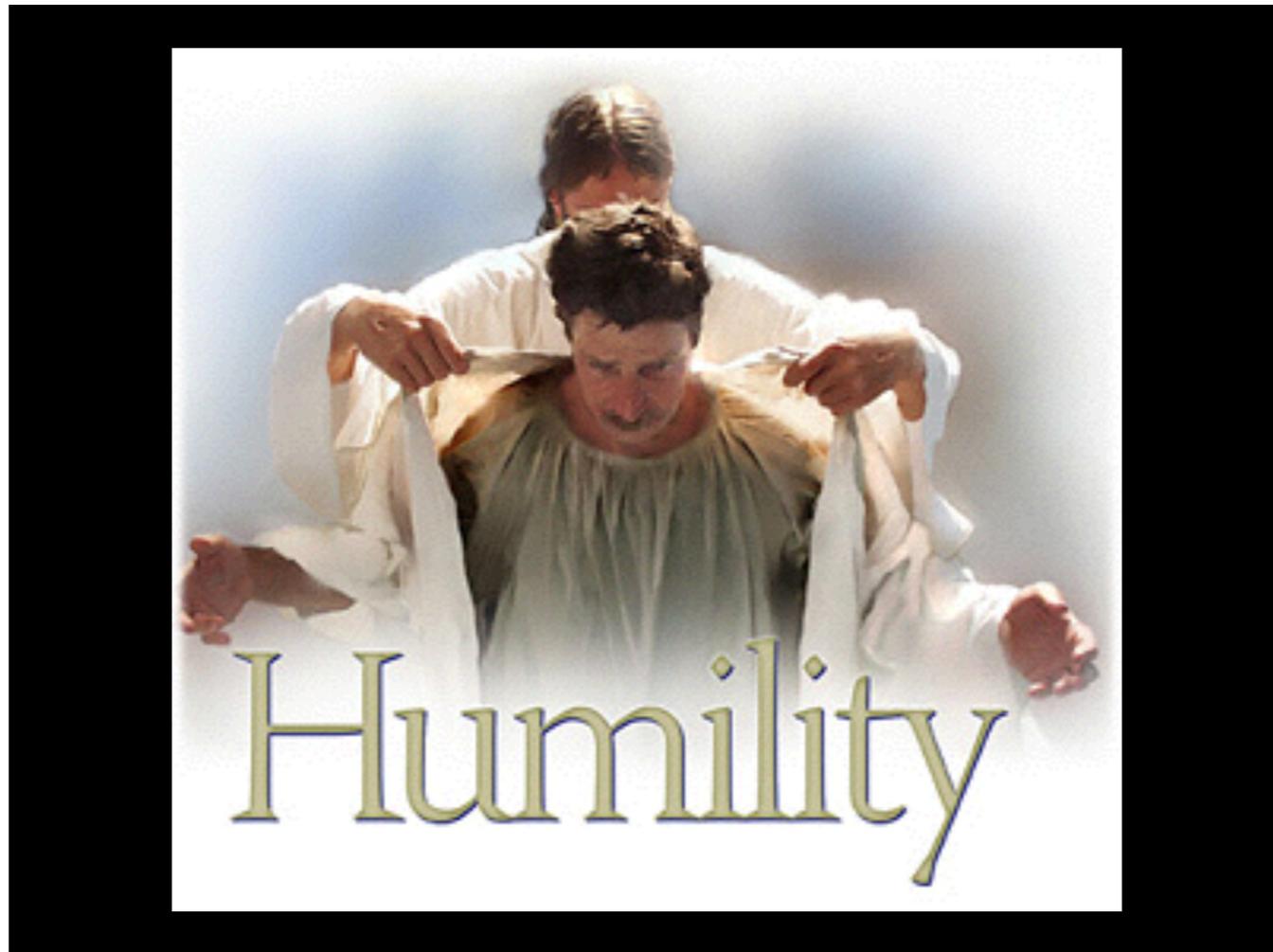
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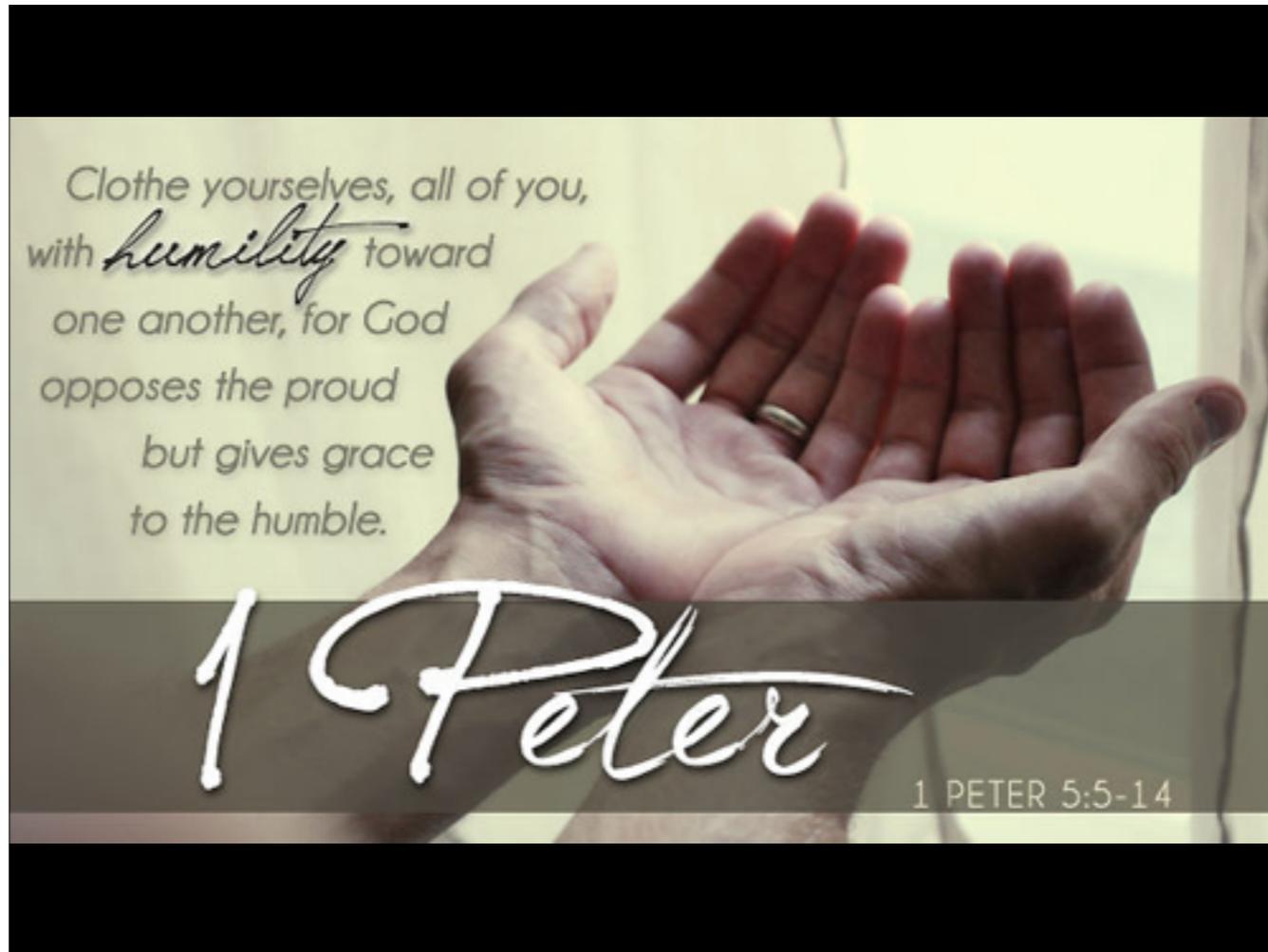
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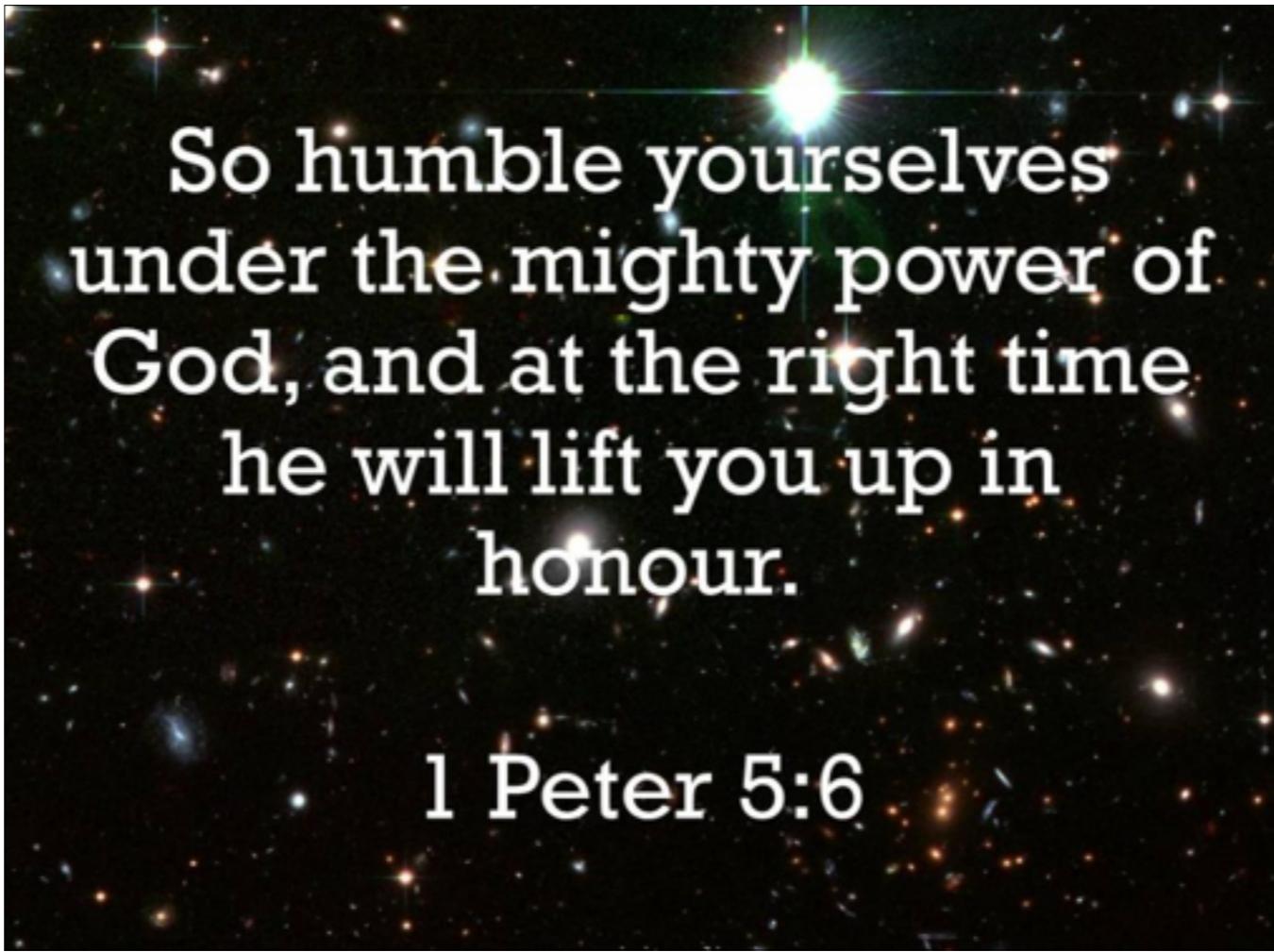


1 Peter 5:5 Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble."



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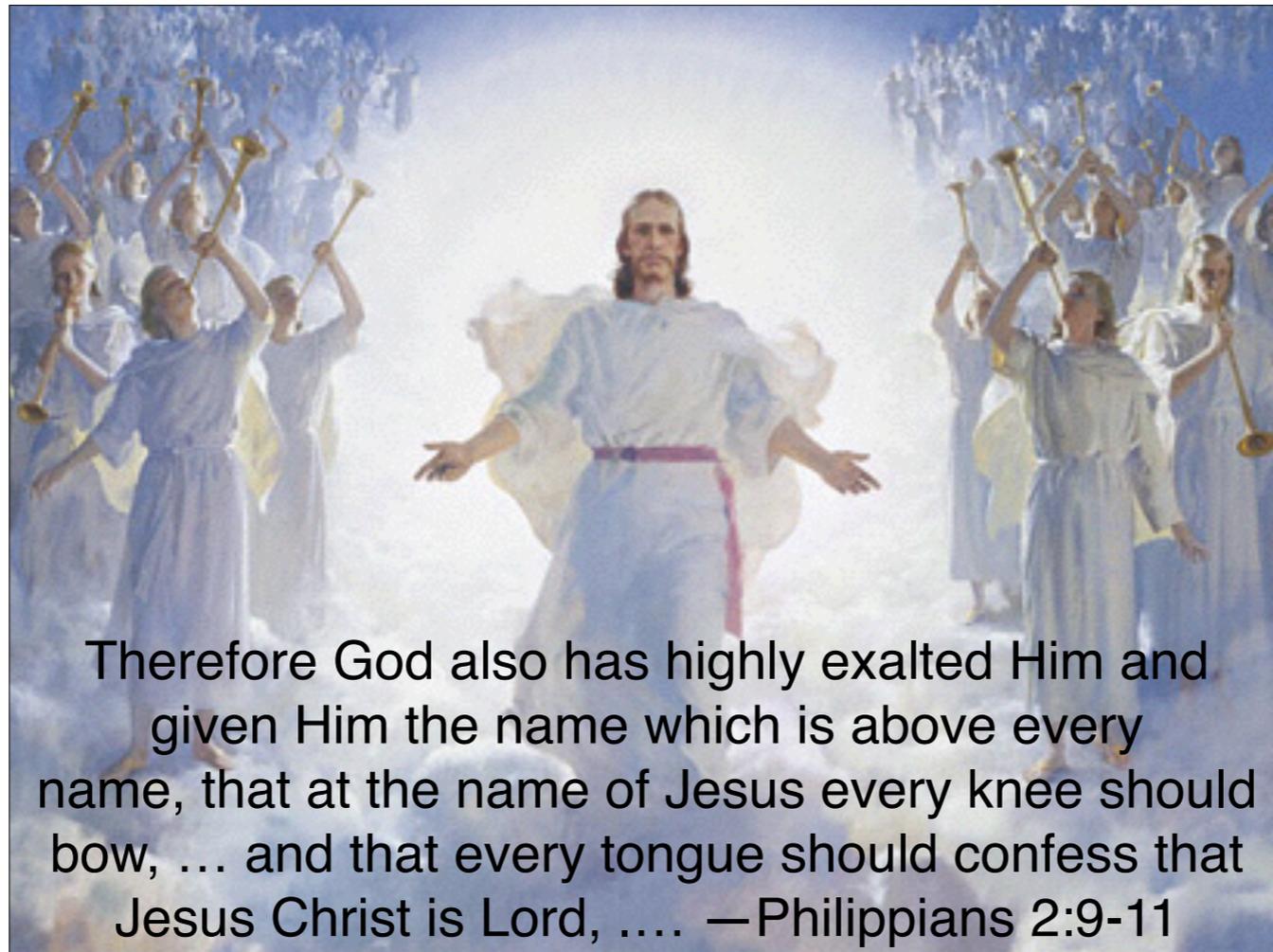


So humble yourselves  
under the mighty power of  
God, and at the right time  
he will lift you up in  
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Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, ... and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, .... —Philippians 2:9-11

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# Becoming Christ Followers



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