

The Work of the
Holy Spirit in our
Sanctification and Service



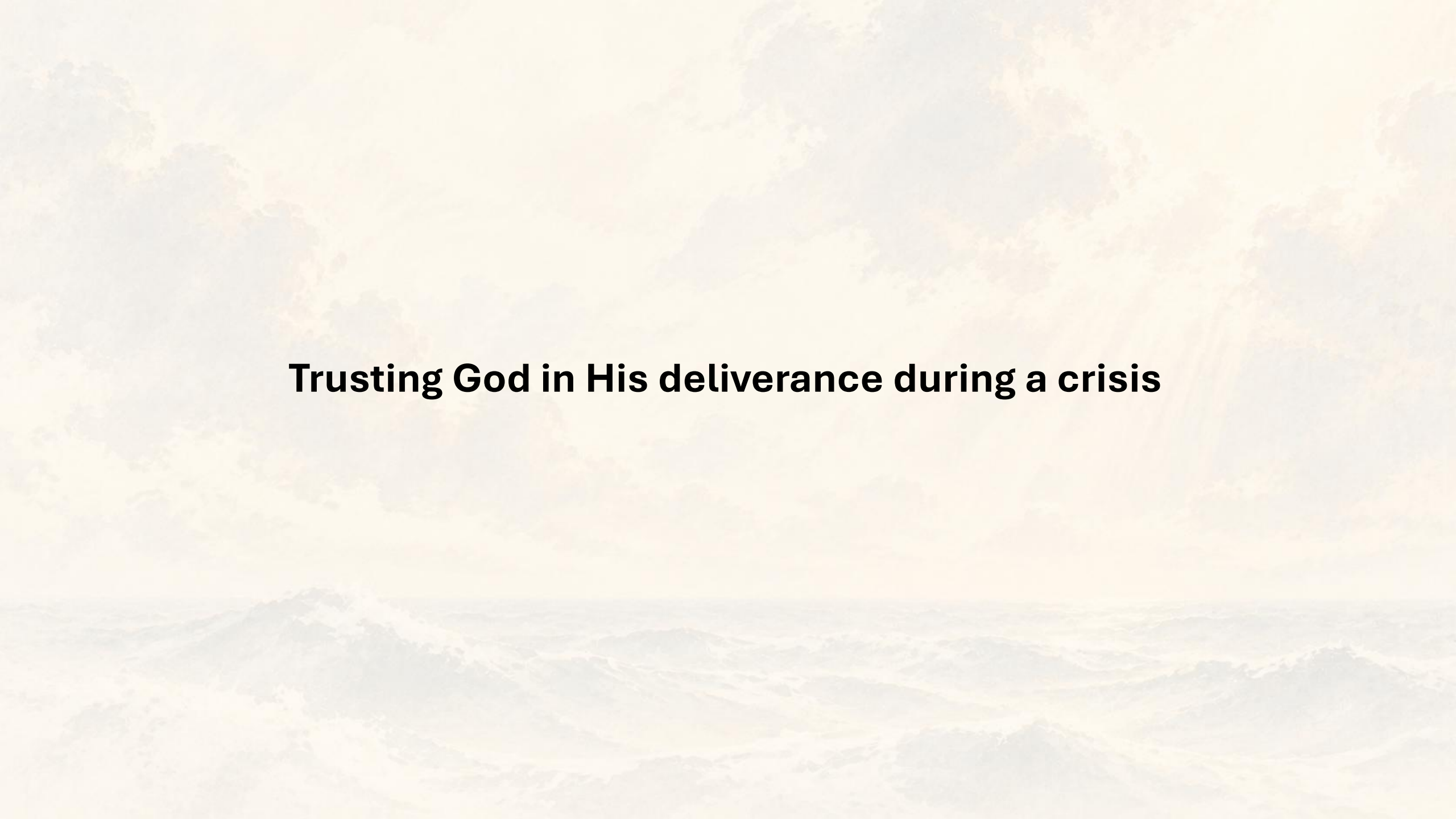


THE JOURNEYS OF PAUL THE APOSTLE, c.46-63 CE

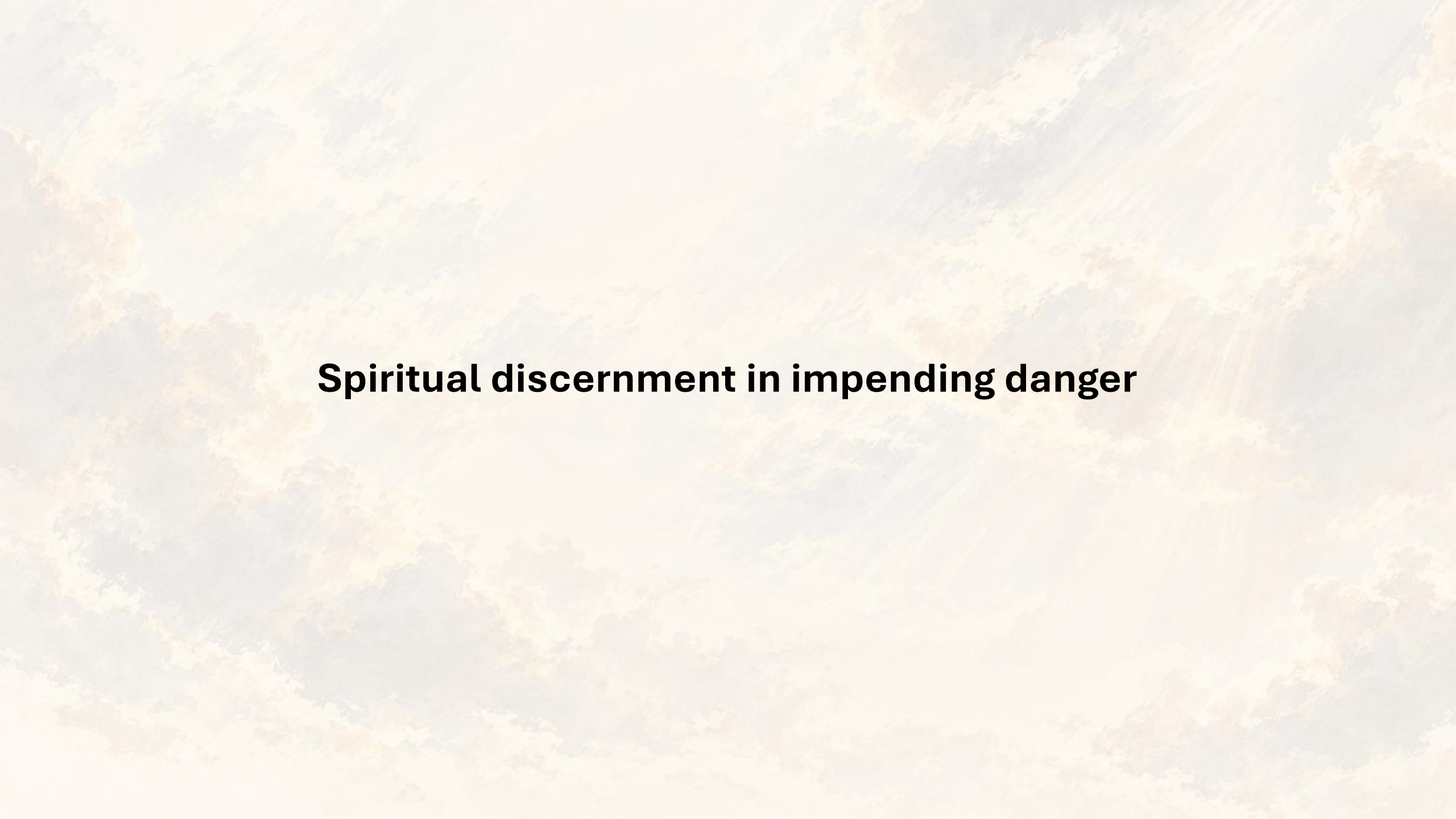


God's Promise:

“the Lord stood near Paul and said: “Take courage! As you have testified about me in Jerusalem, so you must also testify in Rome.” Acts 23:11

The background is a soft-focus landscape painting. It depicts a vast mountain range with rolling hills and valleys. The sky is filled with large, billowing clouds in shades of white, grey, and pale blue. A faint rainbow is visible, arching across the sky from the left towards the right. The overall color palette is muted and atmospheric, with a sense of depth and tranquility.

Trusting God in His deliverance during a crisis



Spiritual discernment in impending danger



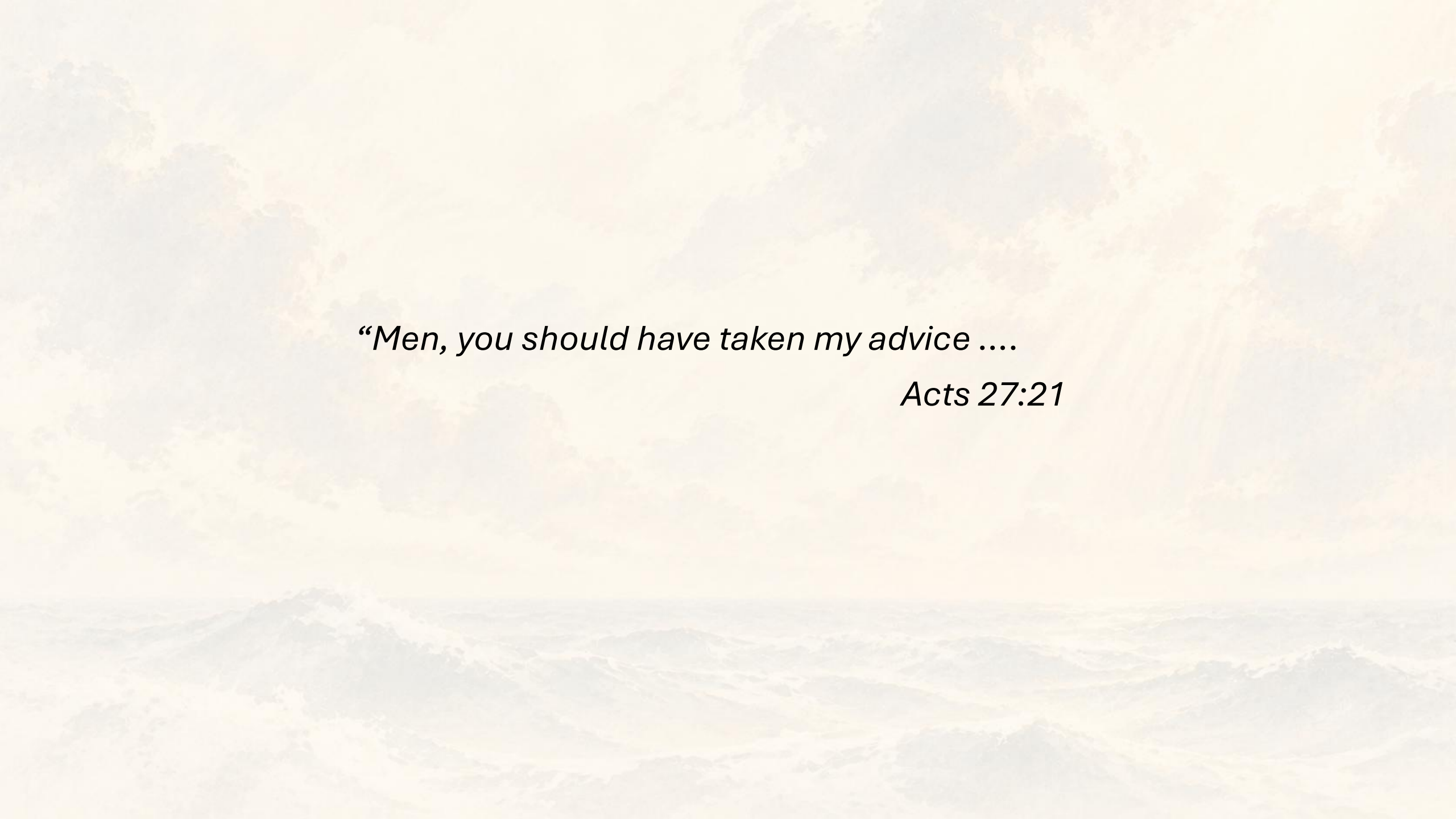
Foresight and credibility before crisis

“Before very long, a wind of hurricane force, called the Northeaster, swept down from the island.”

Acts 27:14

“When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days and the storm continued raging, we finally gave up all hope of being saved.”

Acts 27:20



“Men, you should have taken my advice

Acts 27:21



Foresight and credibility before crisis

Testify of personal faith in God

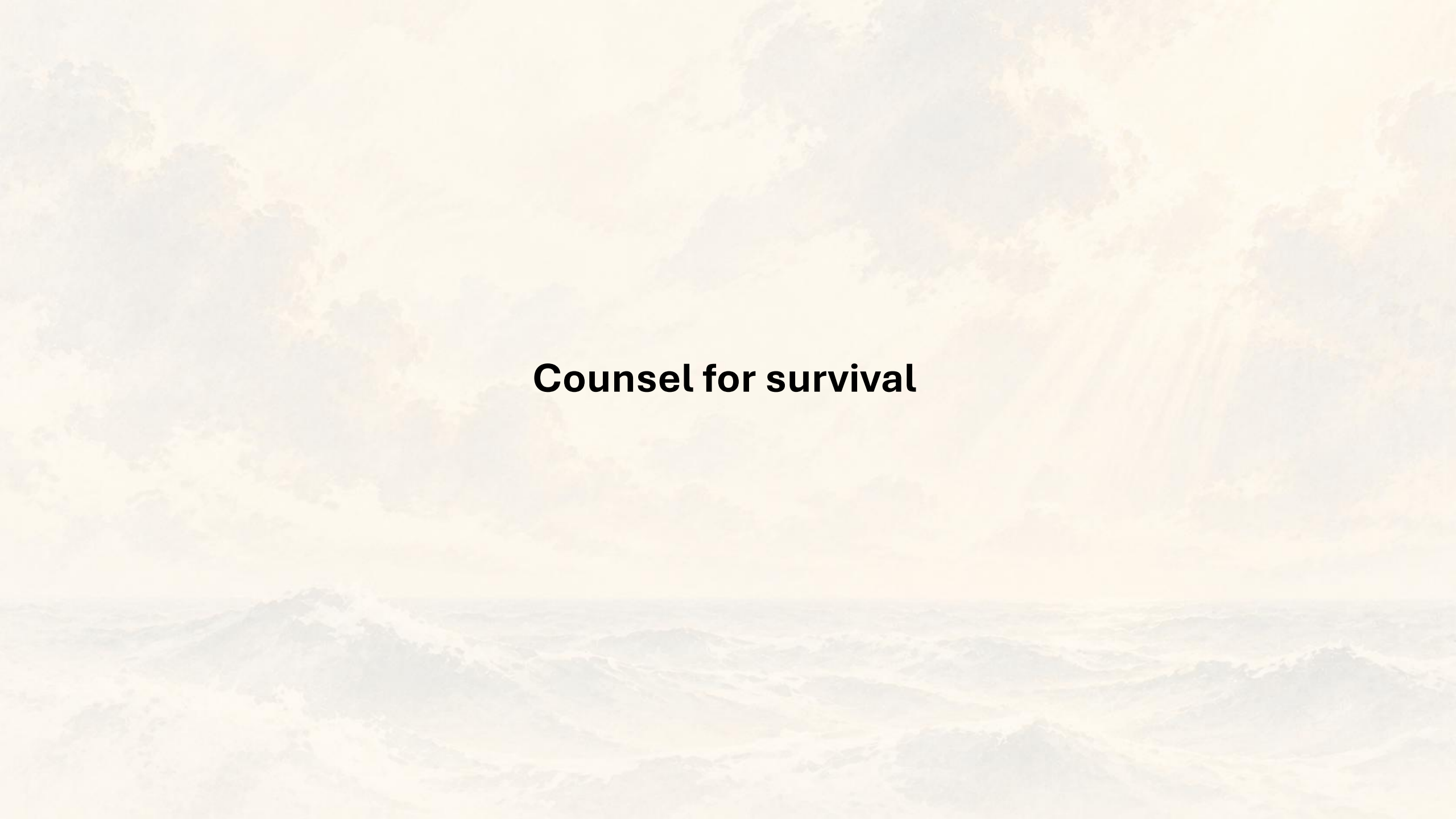
*But now I urge you to keep up your courage, because not one of you will be lost... Last night an angel of the God **to whom I belong and whom I serve** stood beside me and said, 'Do not be afraid, Paul...' So keep up your courage, men, for I have faith in God that it will happen just as He told me." Acts 27:22-25*



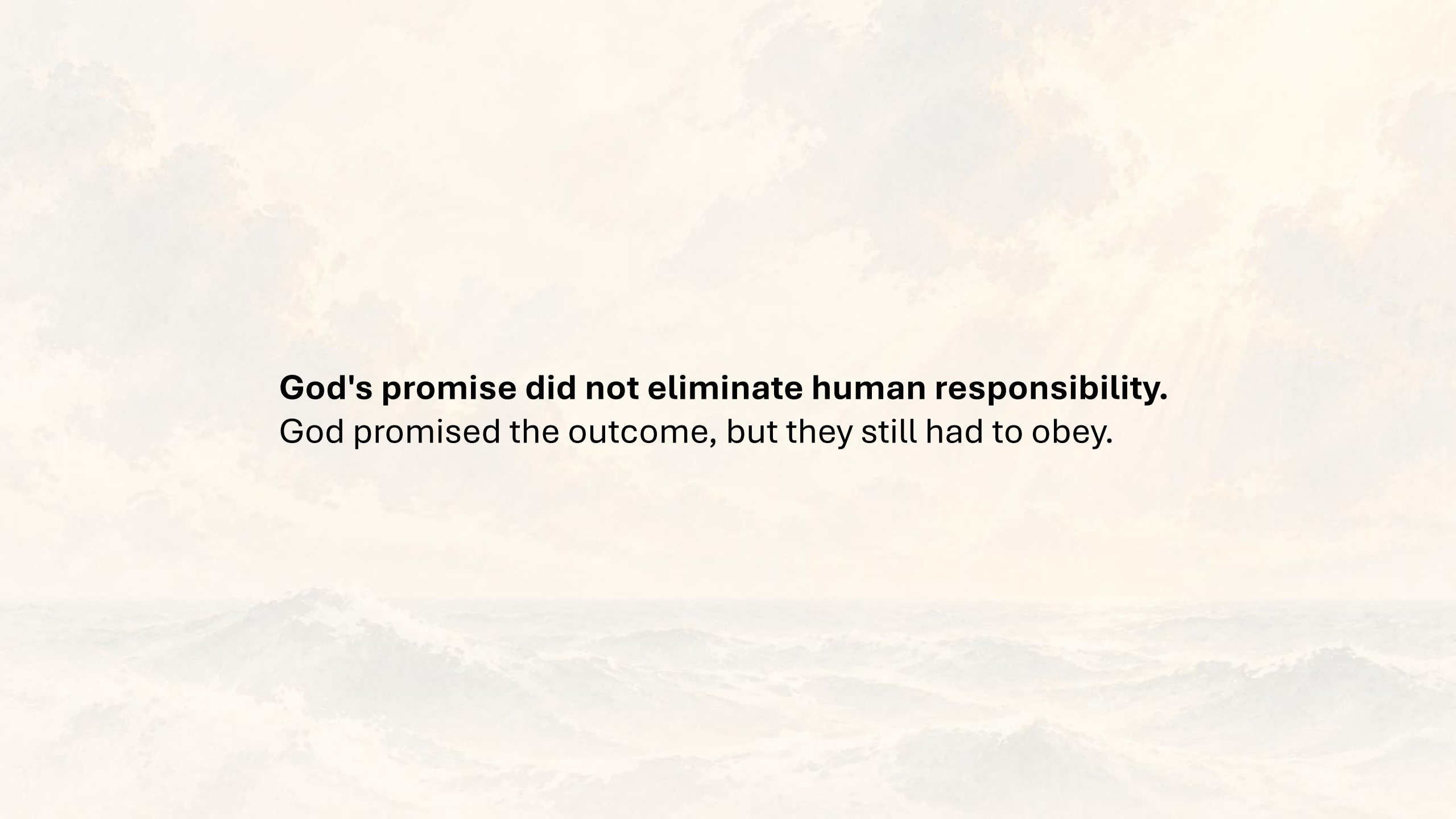
The background of the image is a soft-focus landscape. It features a range of mountains in the distance, with some peaks appearing to have snow or light-colored rock. The sky is filled with large, billowing clouds in shades of white, grey, and pale blue. A faint rainbow is visible, arching across the sky from the left towards the right. The overall lighting is soft and diffused, creating a serene and somewhat ethereal atmosphere.

Compassion on the weary

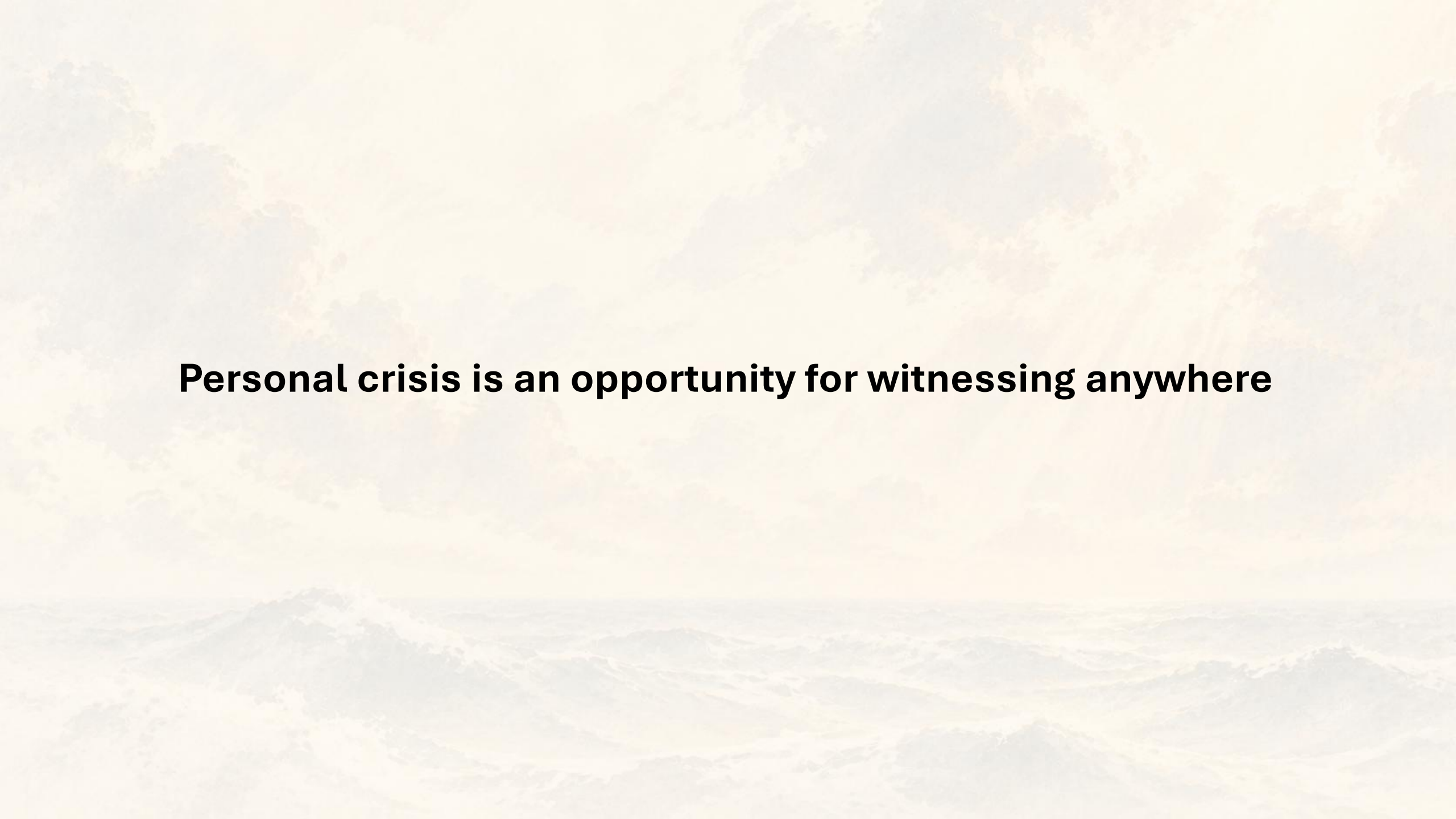
Just before dawn Paul urged them all to eat. 'For the last fourteen days,' he said, 'you have been in constant suspense and have gone without food – you haven't eaten anything. Now I urge you to take some food. You need it to survive.' ... he took some bread and gave thanks to God in front of them all. Acts 27:33-35

The background is a soft, painterly illustration. It depicts a vast mountain range with rolling peaks and valleys, rendered in muted greens and greys. Above the mountains, a sky is filled with large, billowing clouds in shades of pale yellow, cream, and light blue. A faint, multi-colored rainbow arches across the sky, its colors blending into the clouds. The overall mood is serene and expansive.

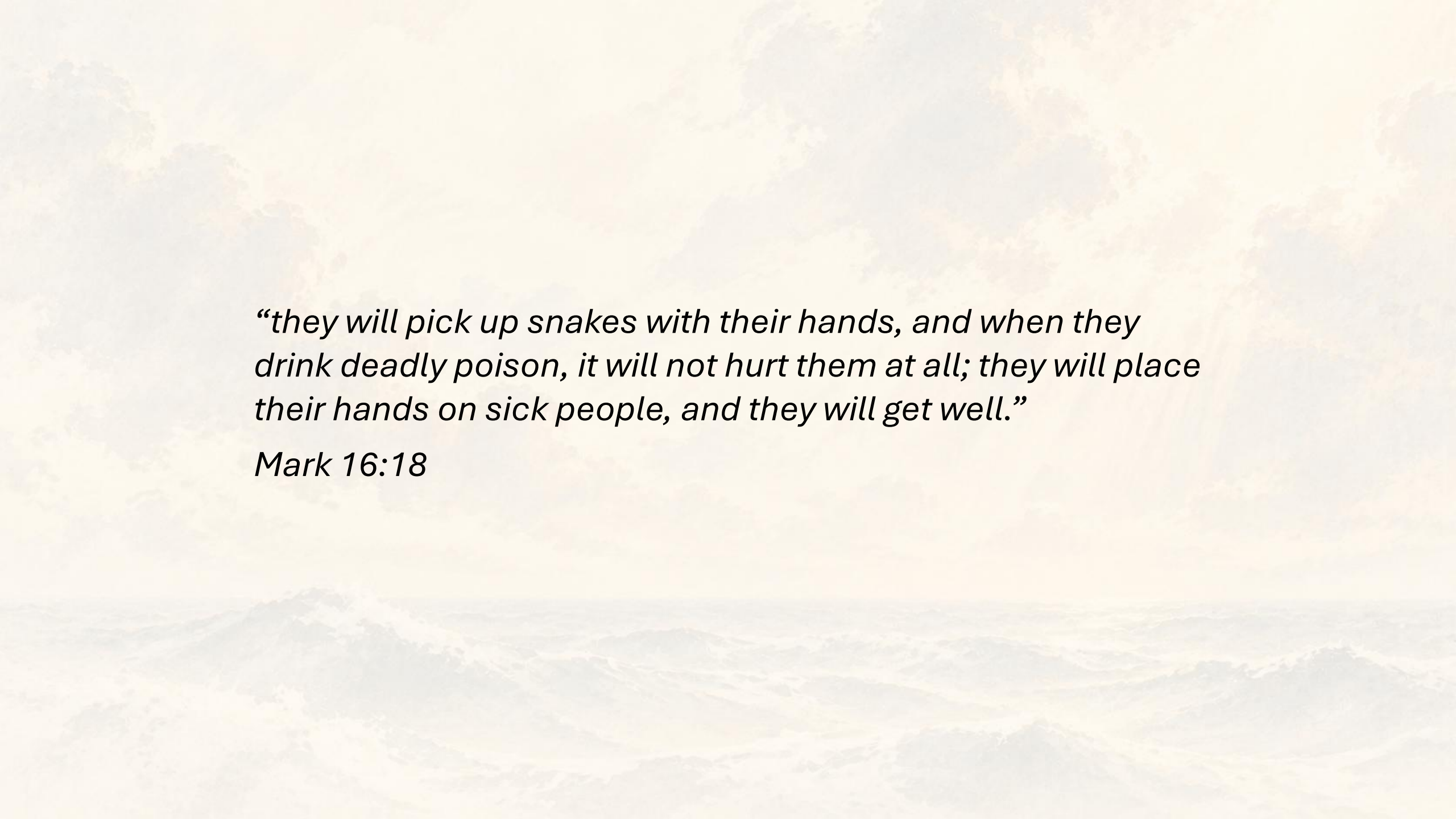
Counsel for survival



God's promise did not eliminate human responsibility.
God promised the outcome, but they still had to obey.



Personal crisis is an opportunity for witnessing anywhere

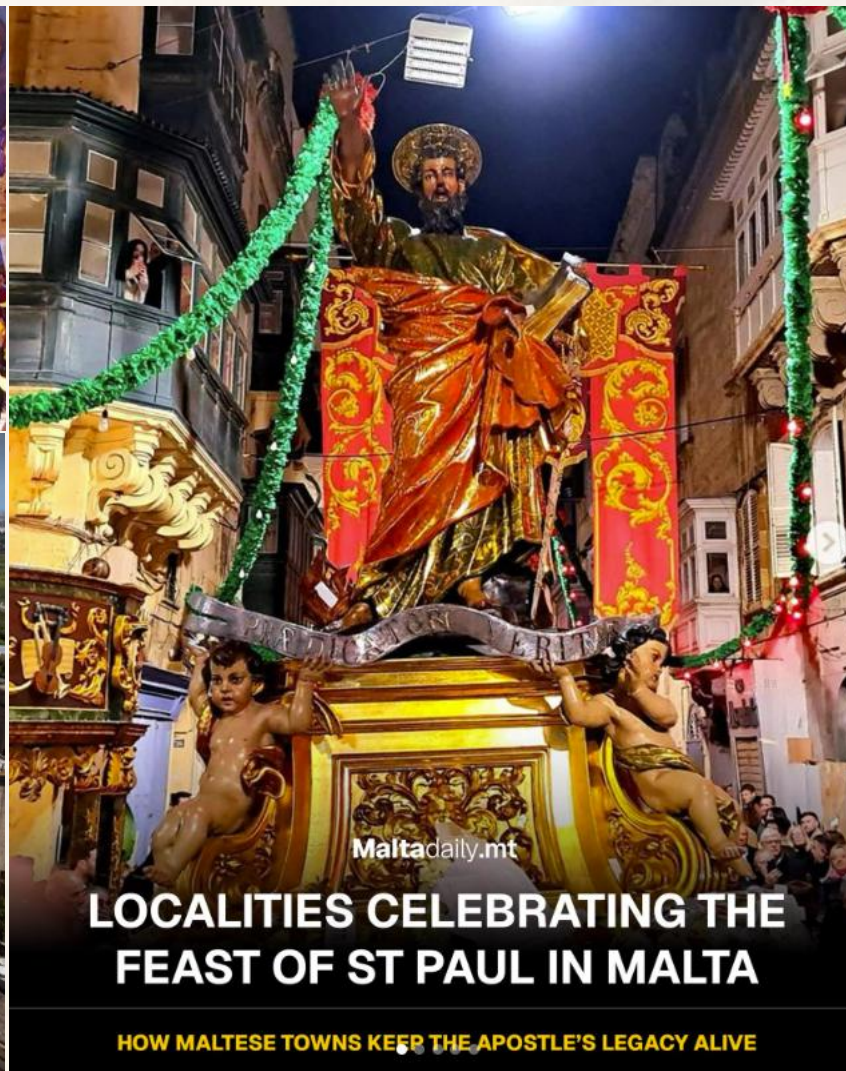


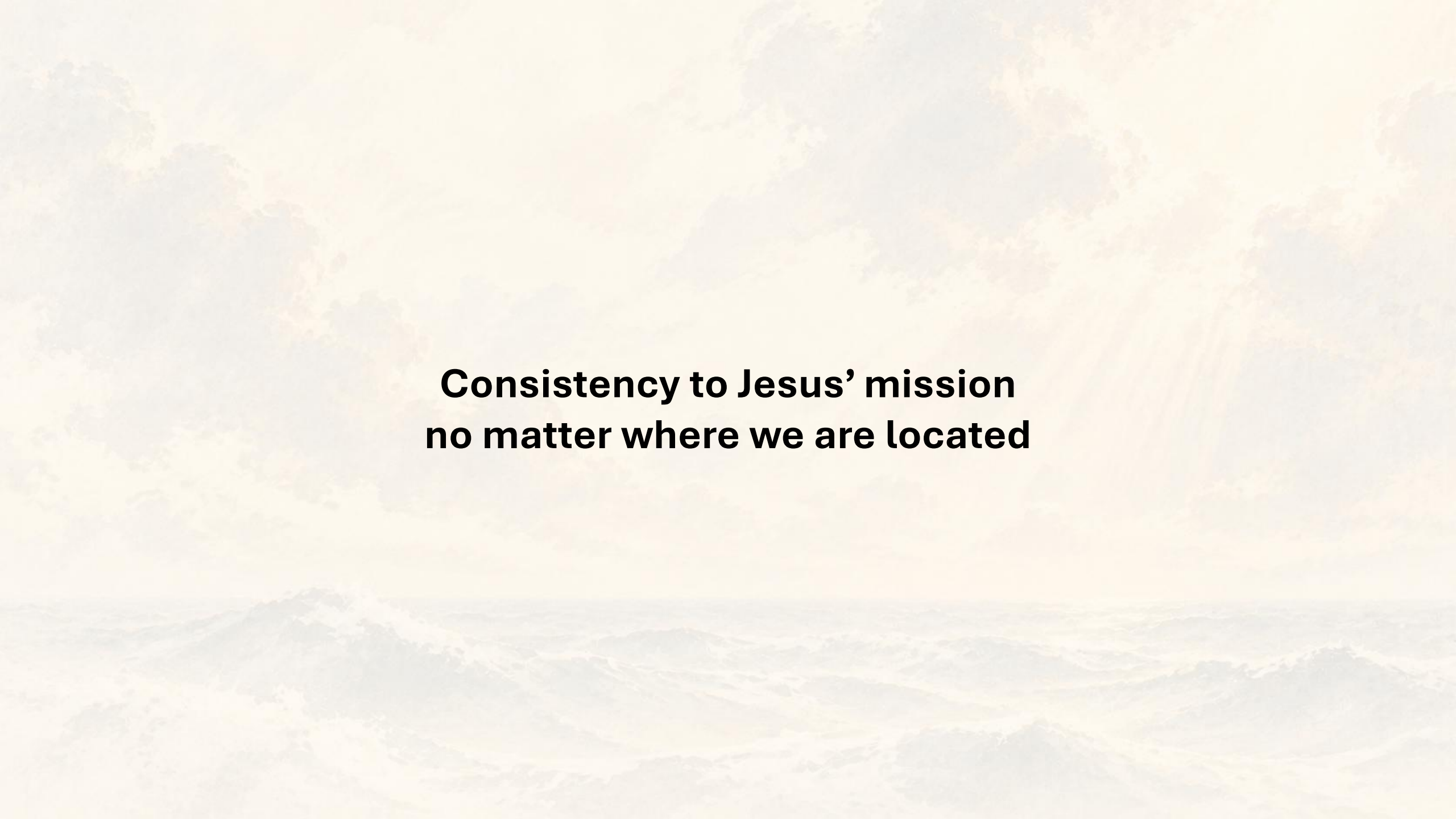
“they will pick up snakes with their hands, and when they drink deadly poison, it will not hurt them at all; they will place their hands on sick people, and they will get well.”

Mark 16:18

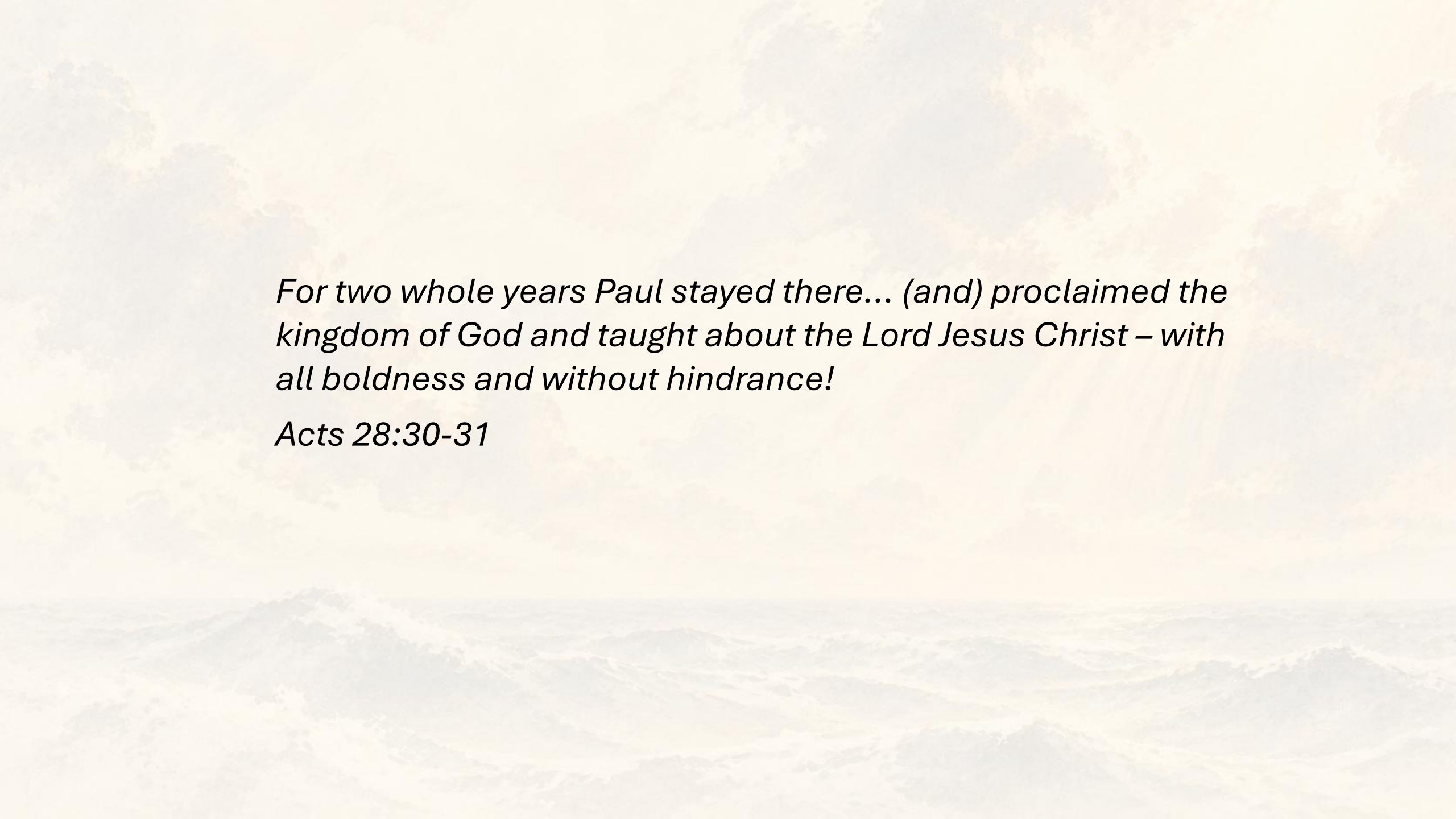


Feast of St Paul's Shipwreck and Mdina Cathedral





**Consistency to Jesus' mission
no matter where we are located**



For two whole years Paul stayed there... (and) proclaimed the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ – with all boldness and without hindrance!

Acts 28:30-31

- **T**rusting God in His deliverance during a crisis
- **S**piritual discernment
- **F**oresight and credibility
- **T**estifying of personal faith in God
- **H**aving Compassion on the weary
- **C**ounsel for survival
- **P**ersonal crisis as an opportunity to witness anywhere
- **C**onsistency to Jesus' mission regardless of location or crisis

T – TRUST GOD

Trust God in the crisis.

R – RECOGNISE

Exercise spiritual discernment and foresight.

U – USE YOUR VOICE

Testify of your personal faith in God.

S – SERVE OTHERS

Have compassion and give counsel to those who are weary.

T – TESTIFY EVERYWHERE

See every crisis and every location as an opportunity to witness and remain faithful to Jesus' mission.