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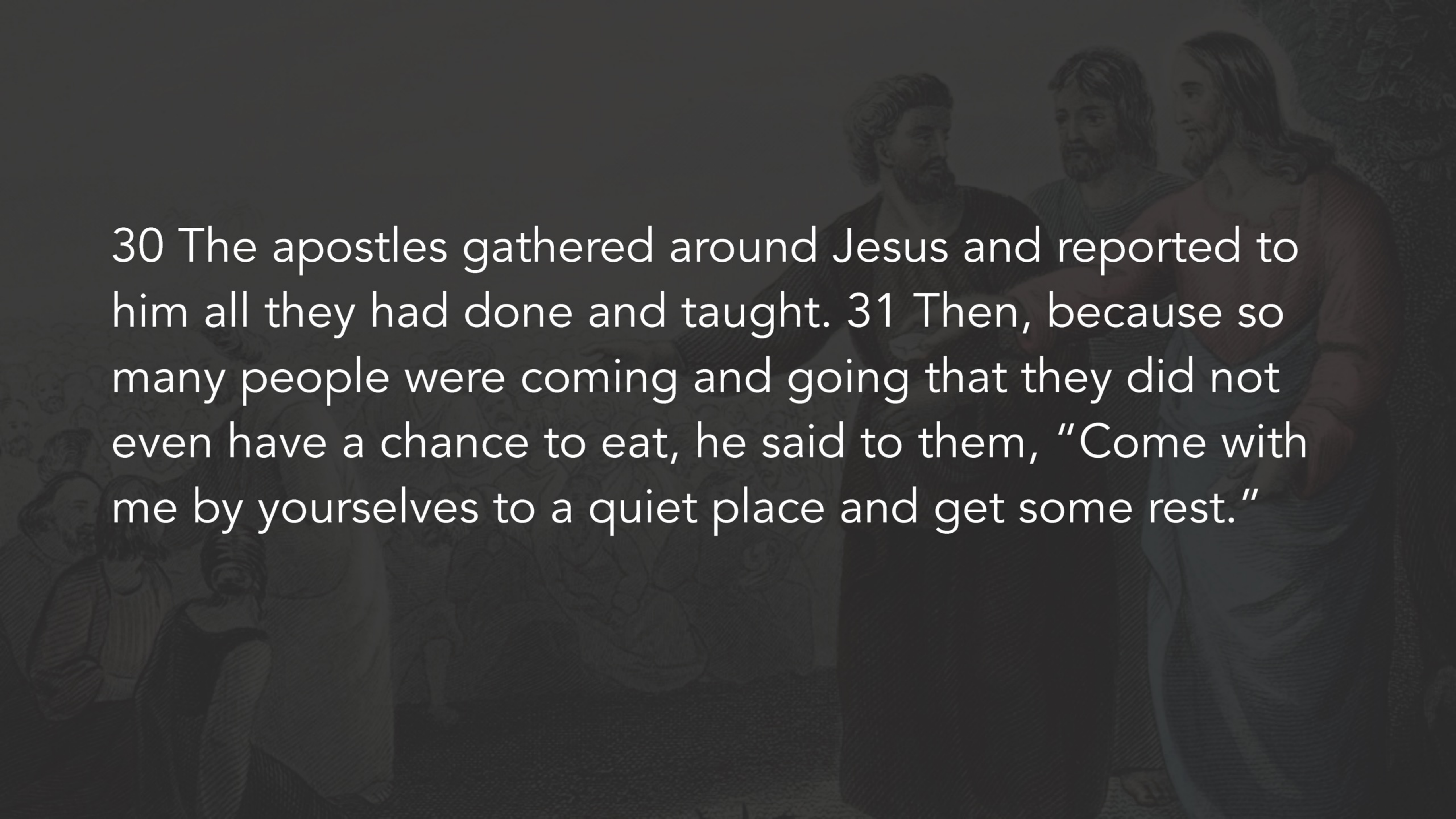
COMPASSIONATE PROVIDER

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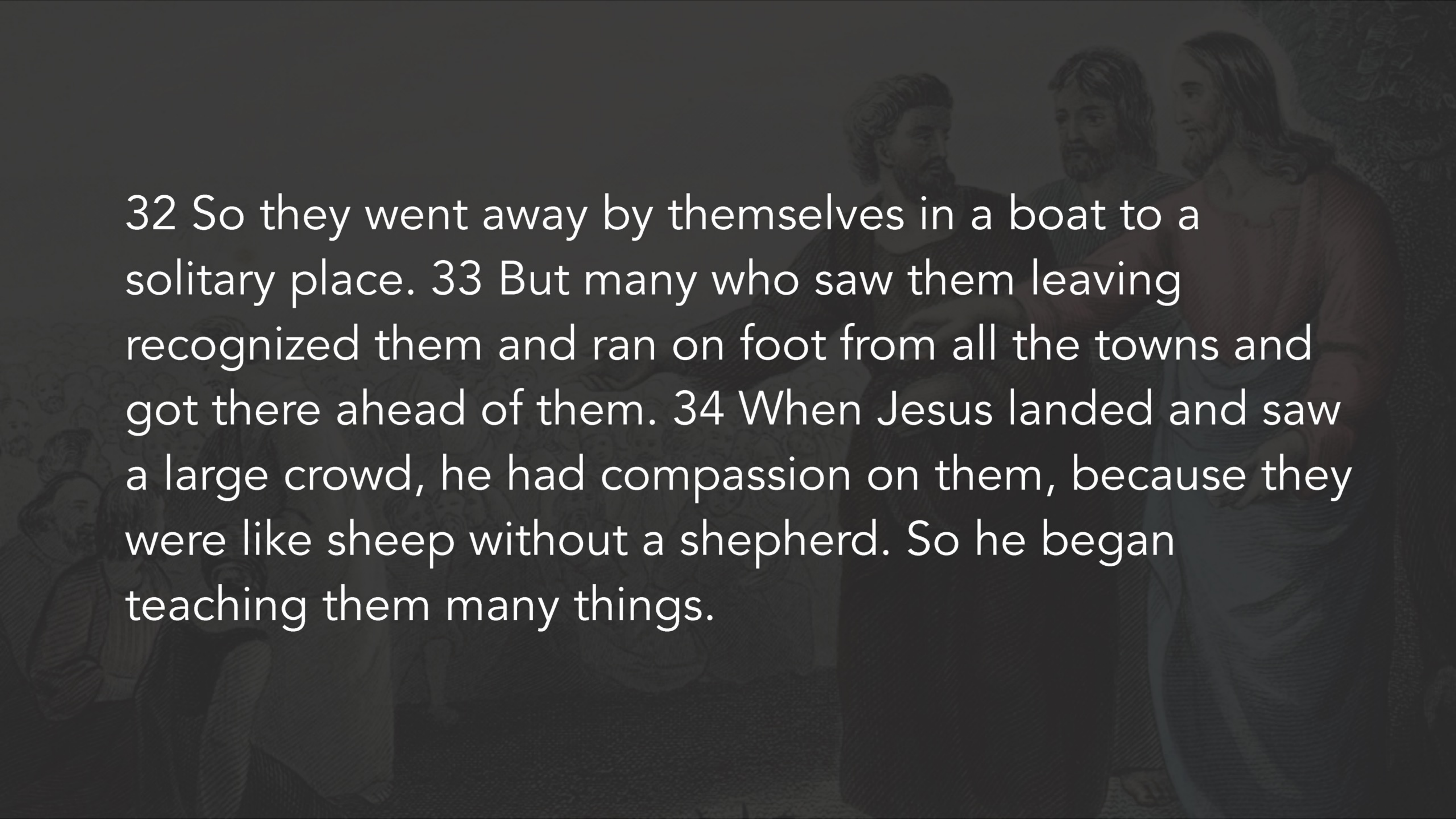
- Isaiah 55:1-2



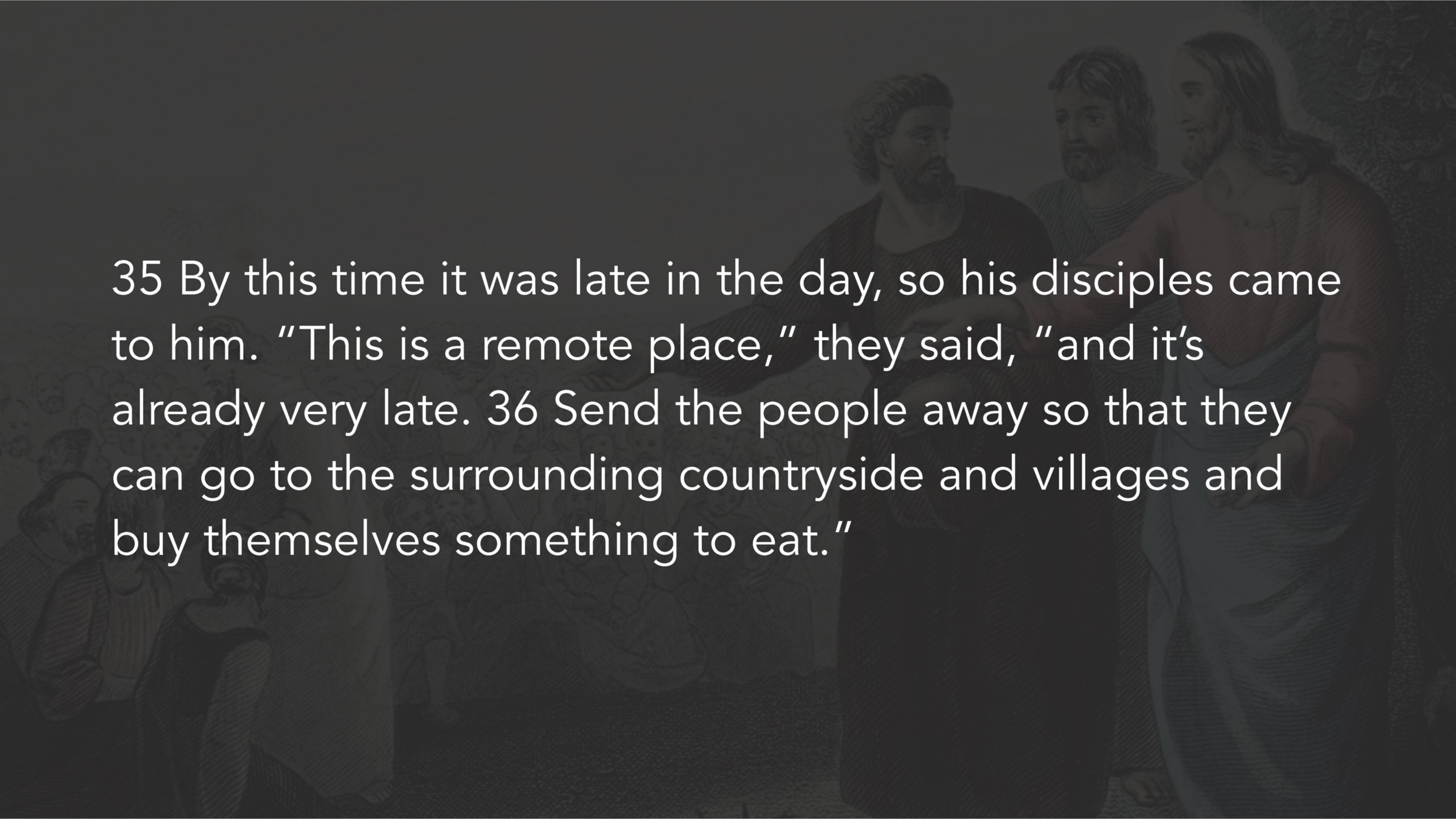
MARK 6:30-44



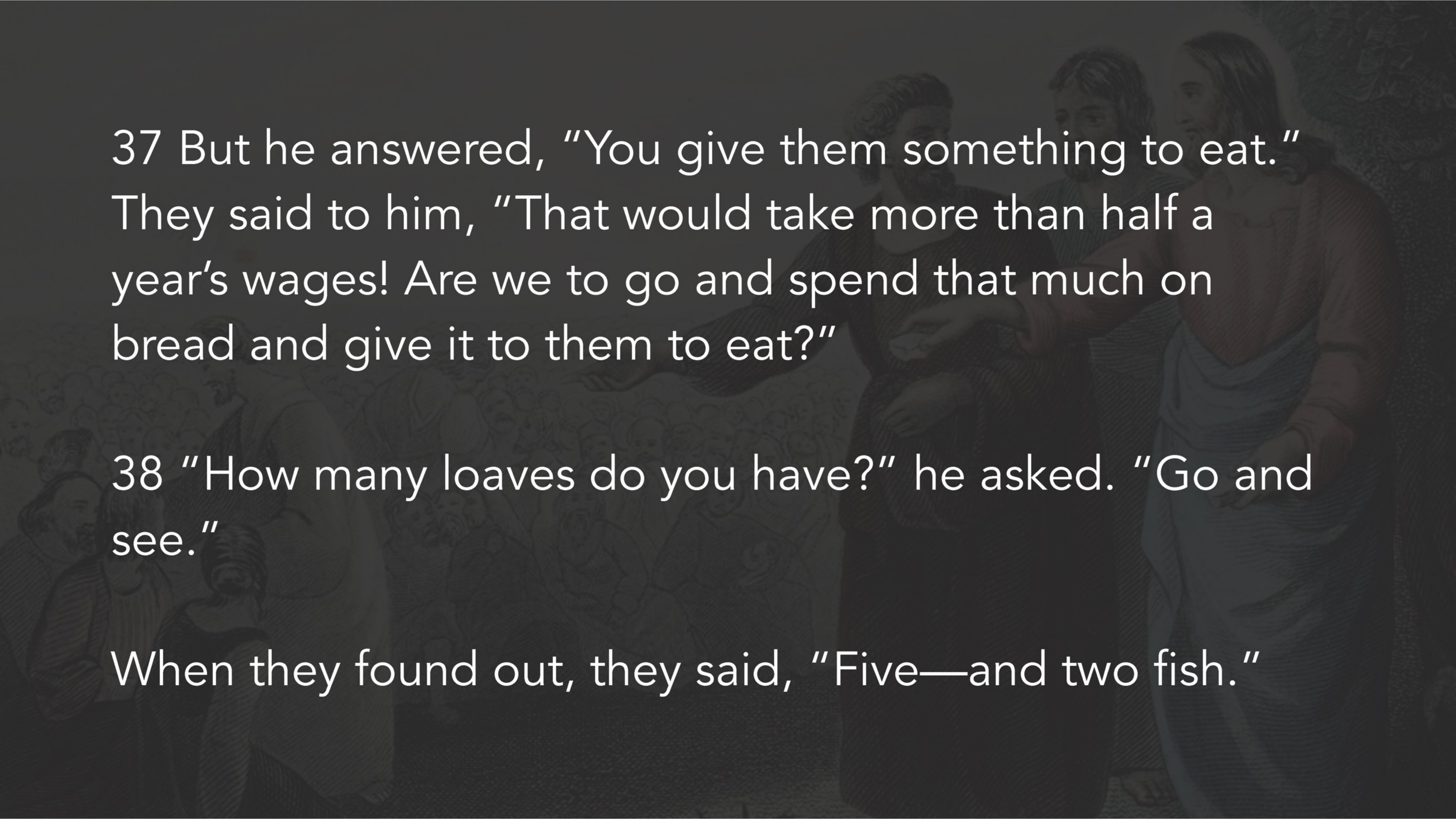
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32 So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. 33 But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. 34 When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.



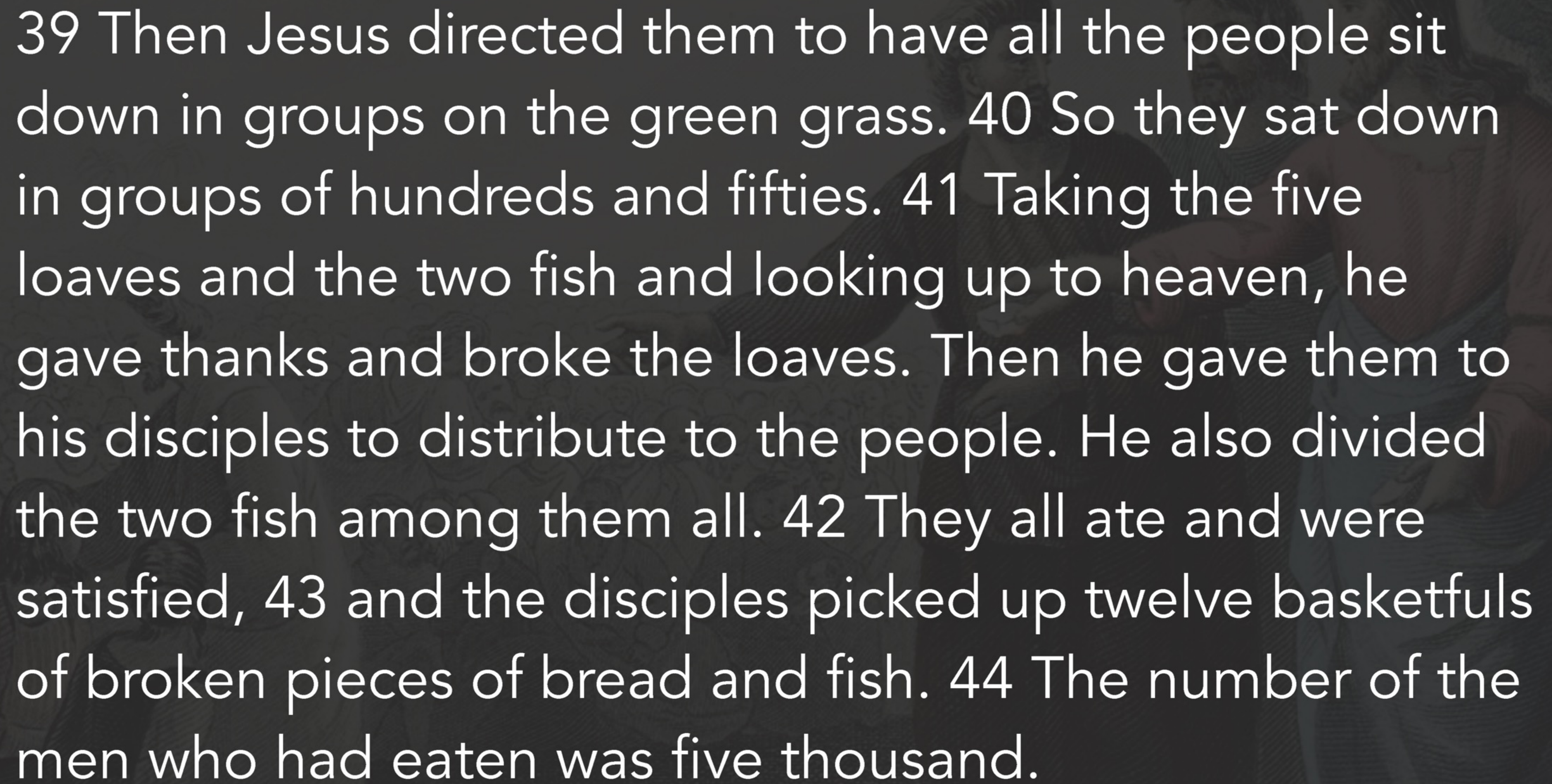
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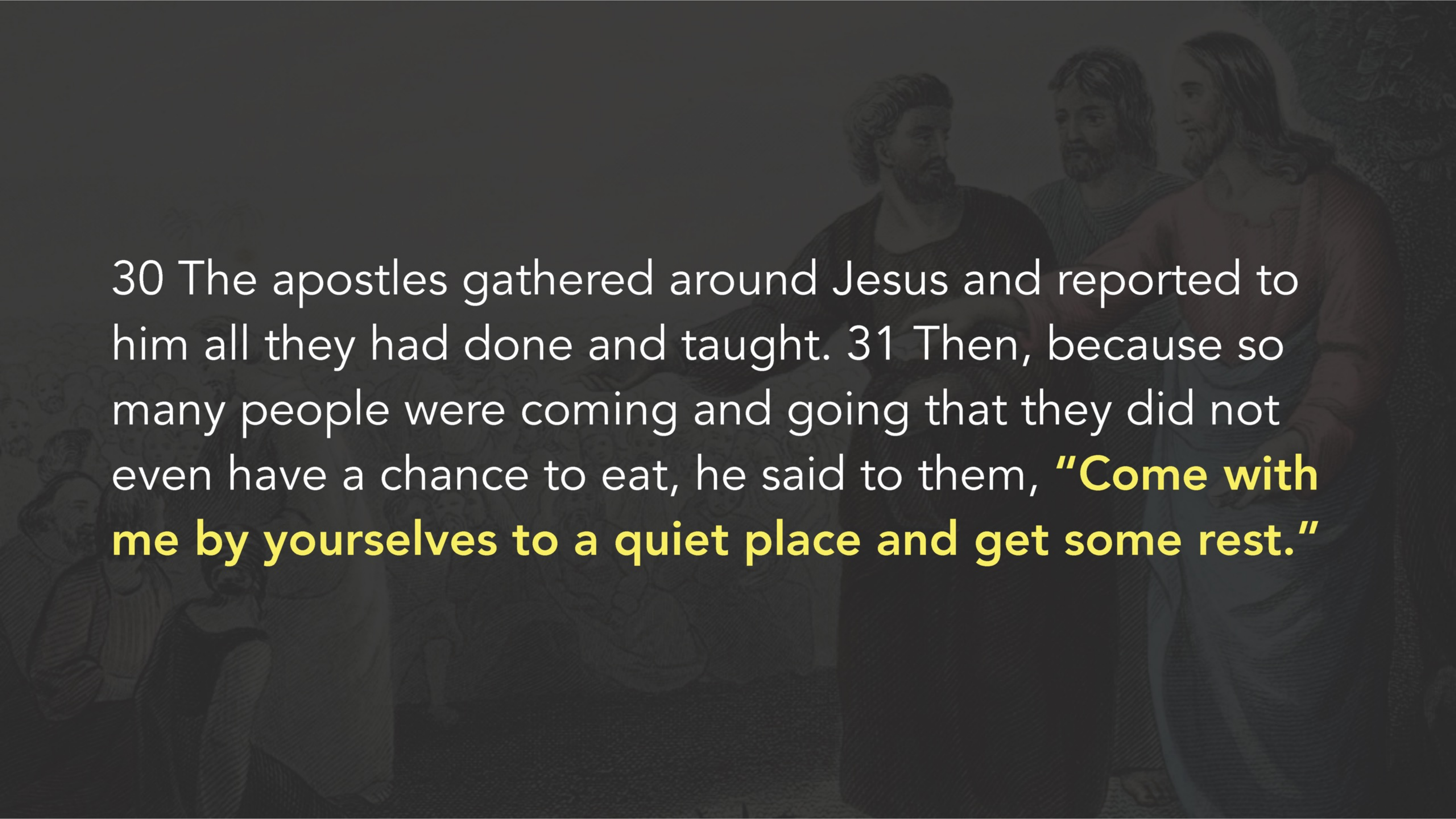
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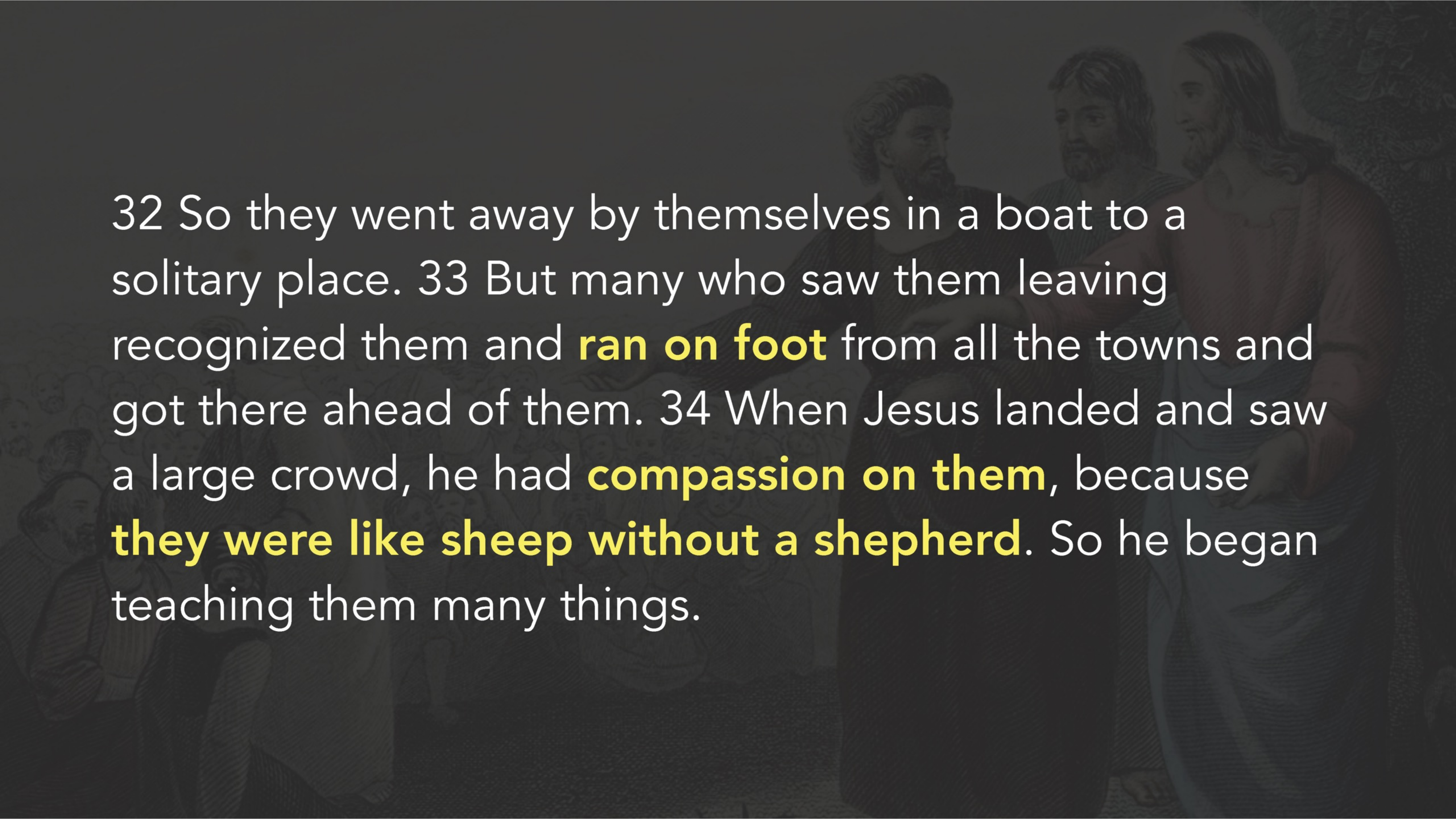
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39 Then Jesus directed them to have all the people sit down in groups on the green grass. 40 So they sat down in groups of hundreds and fifties. 41 Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to his disciples to distribute to the people. He also divided the two fish among them all. 42 They all ate and were satisfied, 43 and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces of bread and fish. 44 The number of the men who had eaten was five thousand.

A dark, semi-transparent background image of Jesus surrounded by his apostles. Jesus is on the right, wearing a white robe, looking towards the left. Several apostles are gathered around him, some with their hands raised in prayer or discussion. The overall scene is dimly lit, with the text overlaid in white and yellow.

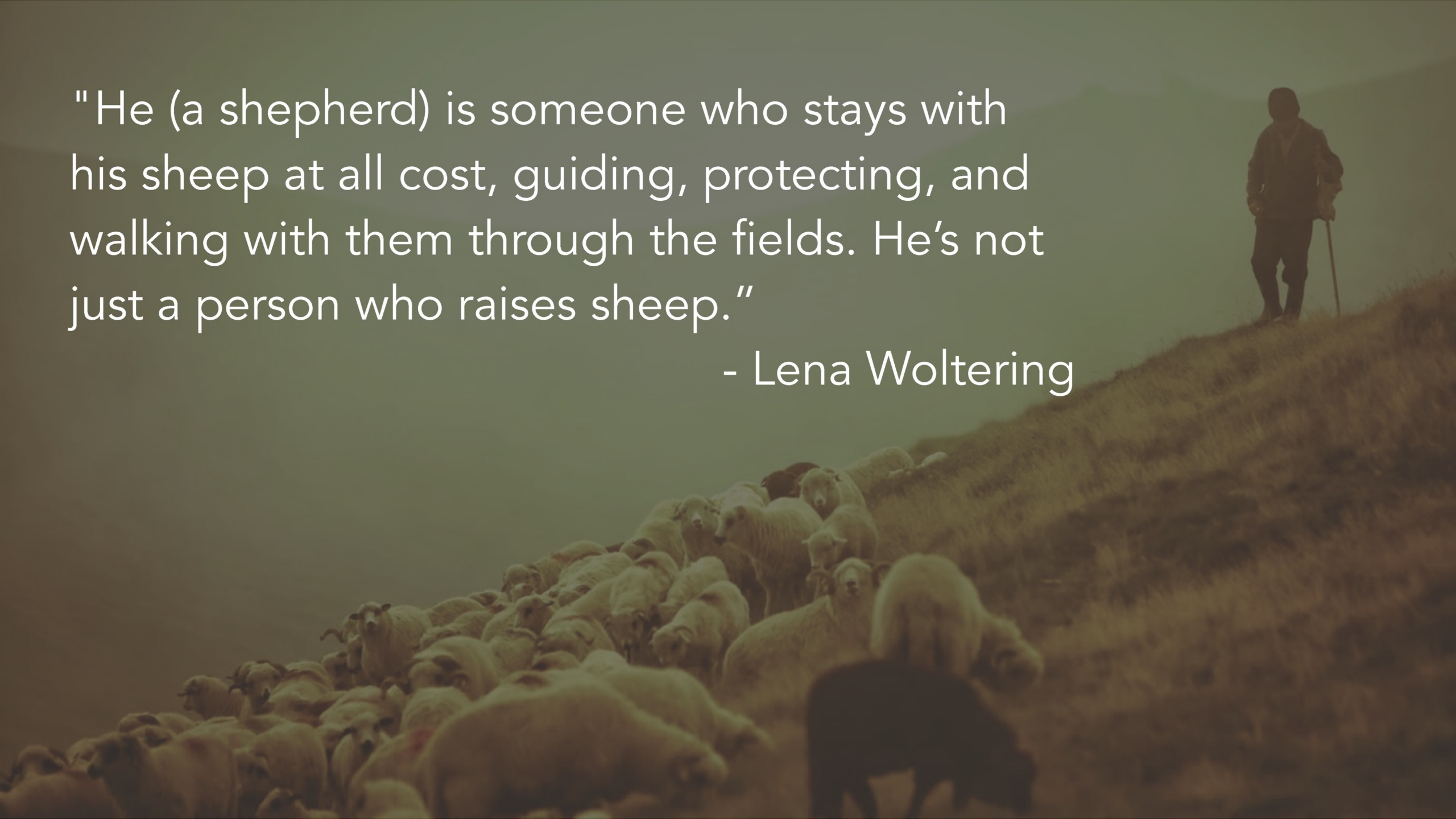
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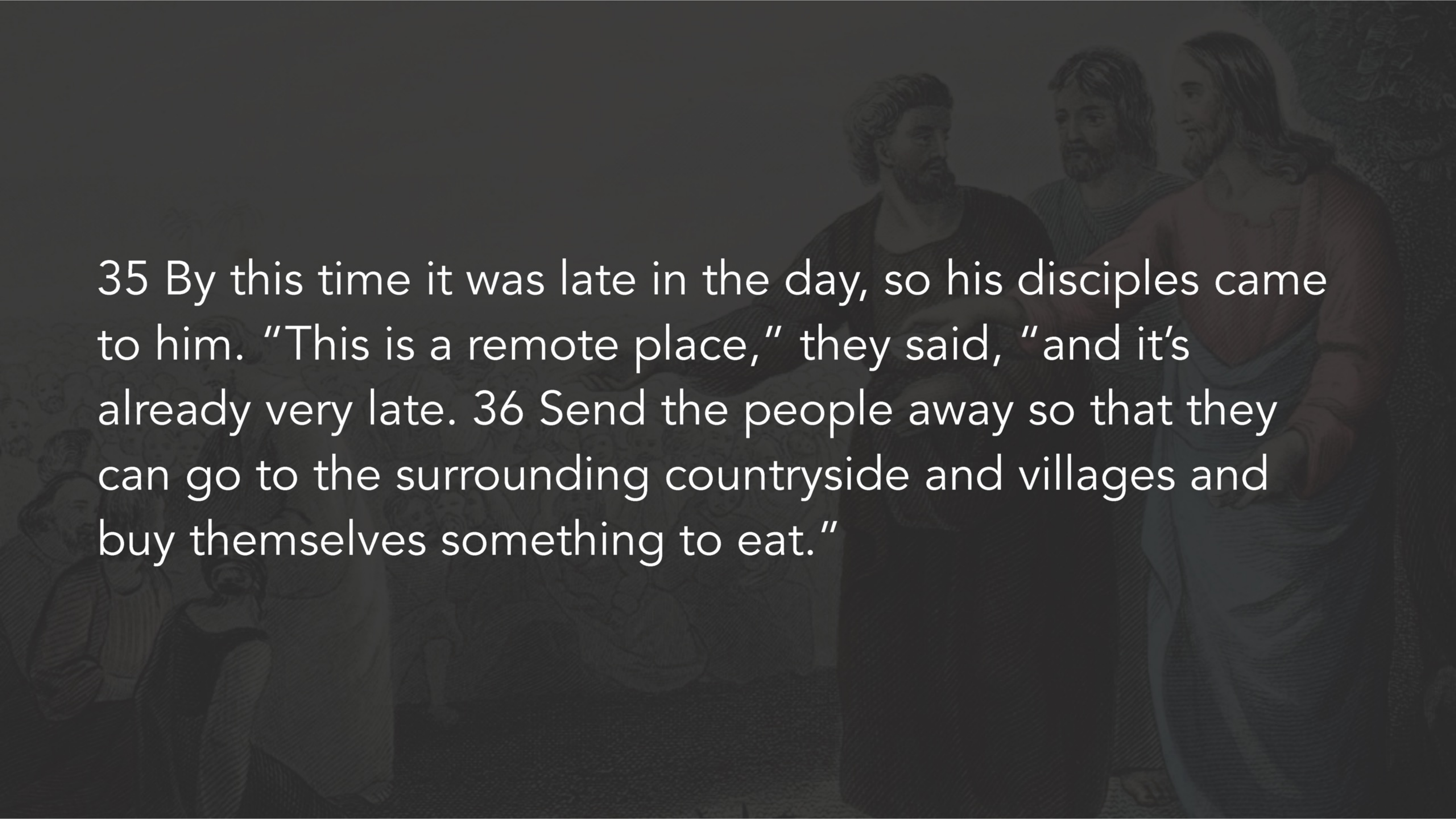


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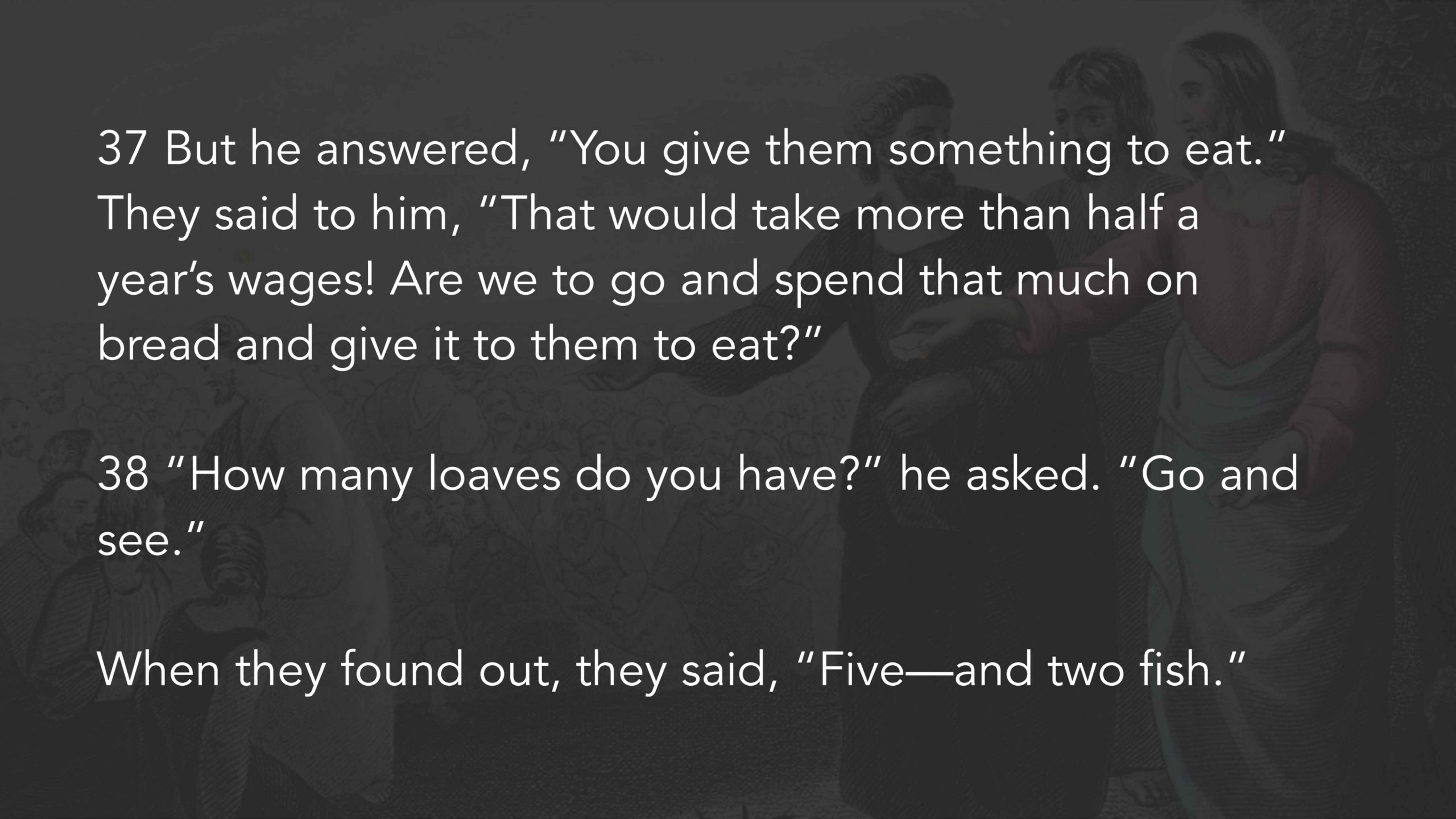
"He (a shepherd) is someone who stays with his sheep at all cost, guiding, protecting, and walking with them through the fields. He's not just a person who raises sheep."

- Lena Woltering





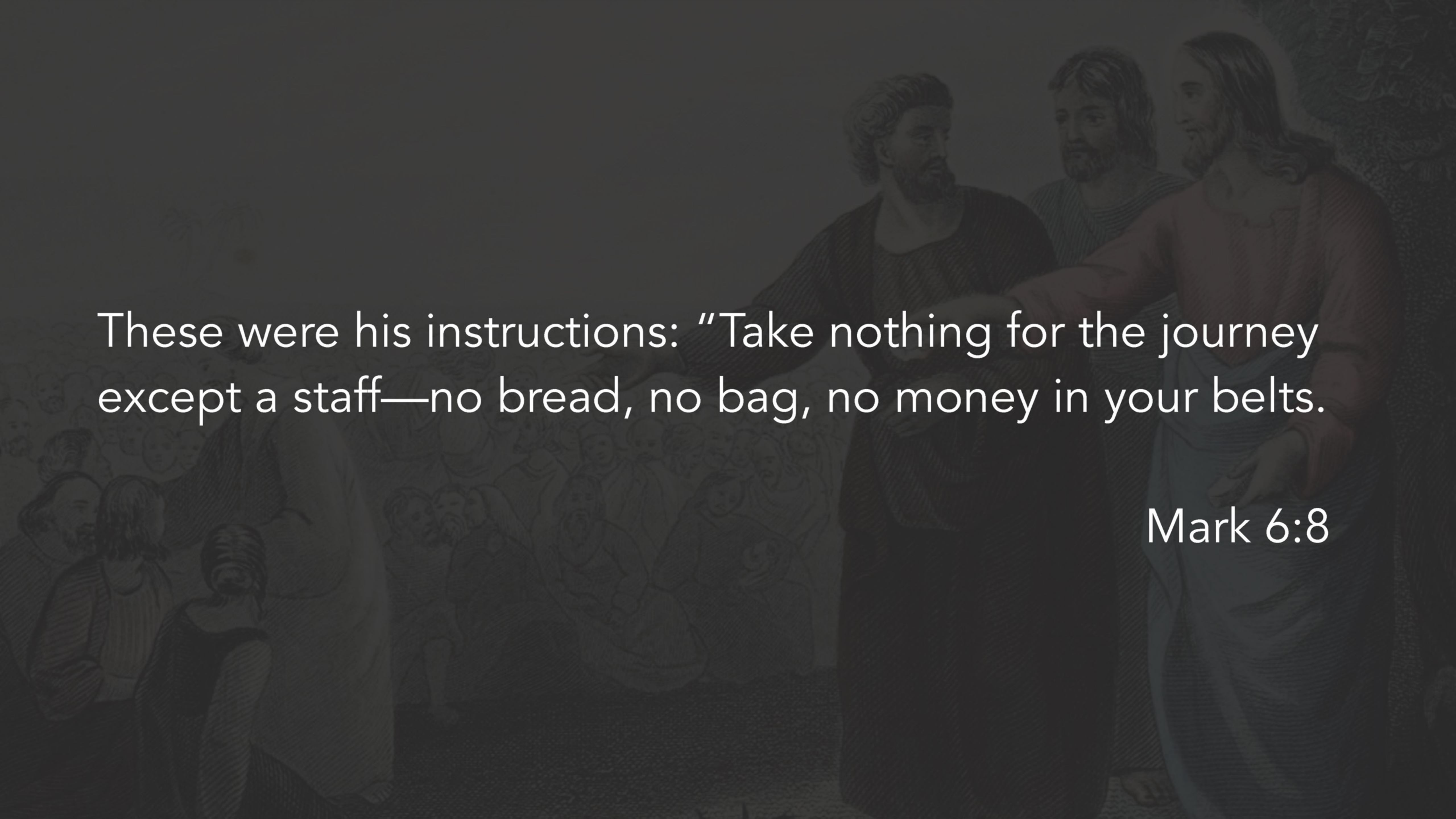
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These were his instructions: “Take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in your belts.

Mark 6:8

But Moses said, "Here I am among six hundred thousand men on foot, and you say, 'I will give them meat to eat for a whole month!' **Would they have enough if flocks and herds were slaughtered for them? Would they have enough if all the fish in the sea were caught for them?"**

Num 11:21-22



A man came from Baal Shalishah, bringing the man of God twenty loaves of barley bread baked from the first ripe grain, along with some heads of new grain. "Give it to the people to eat," Elisha said.

**"How can I set this before a hundred men?"
his servant asked.**

2 Kings 4:42-44



The Lord answered Moses, "Is the Lord's arm too short? Now you will see whether or not what I say will come true for you."

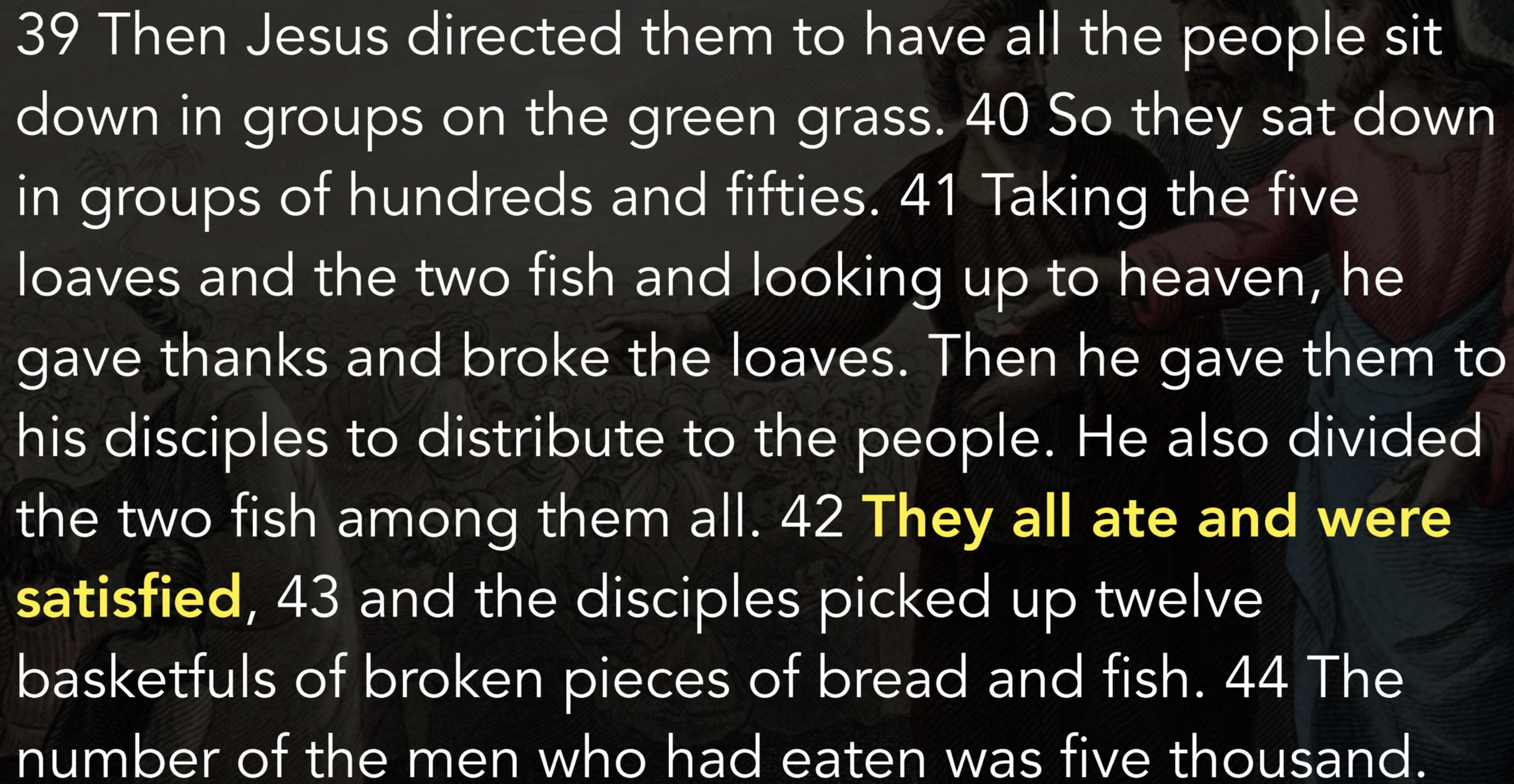
Num 11:23



But Elisha answered, "Give it to the people to eat. For this is what the Lord says: 'They will eat and have some left over.'" Then he set it before them, and they ate and had some left over, according to the word of the Lord.

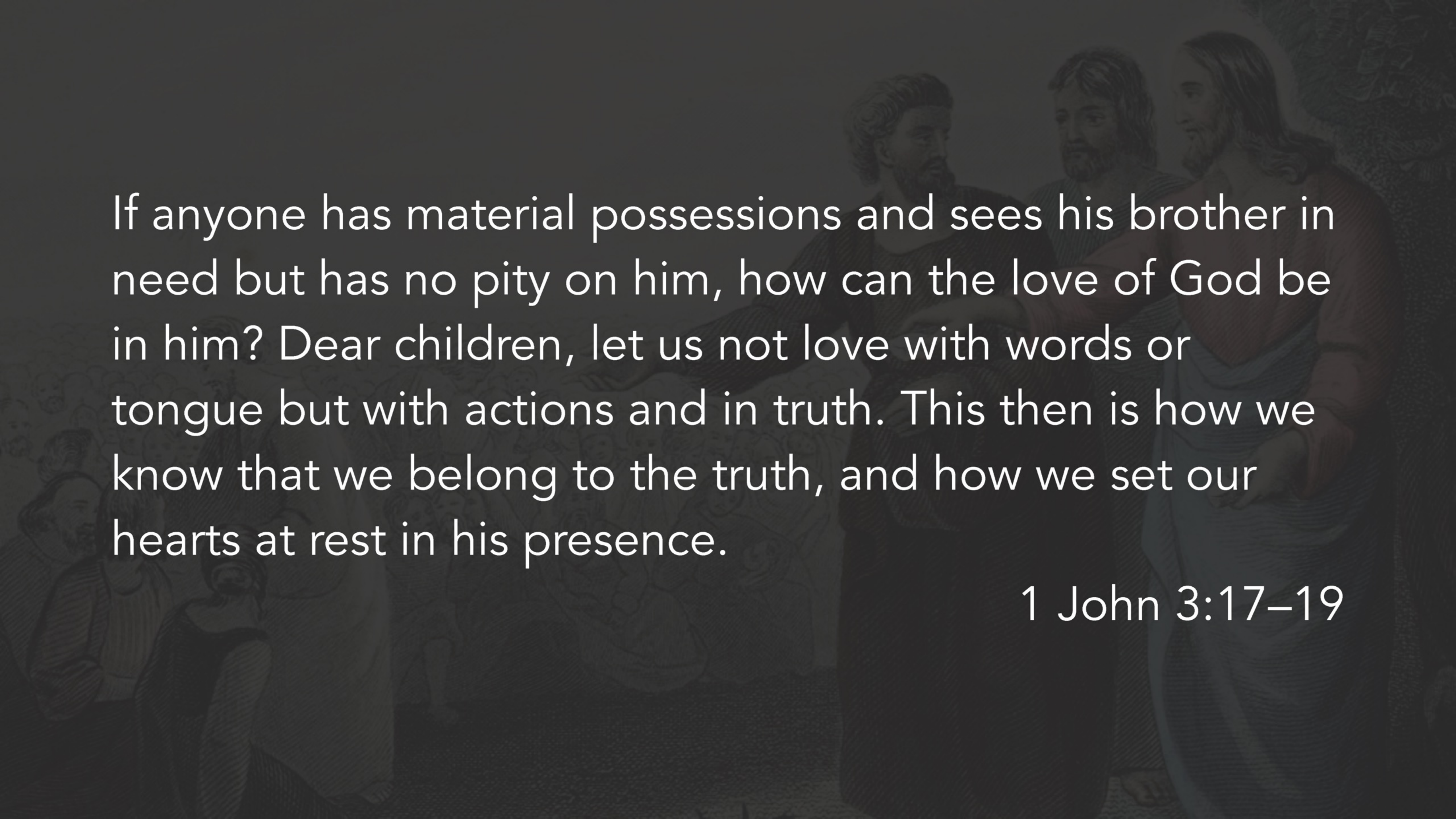
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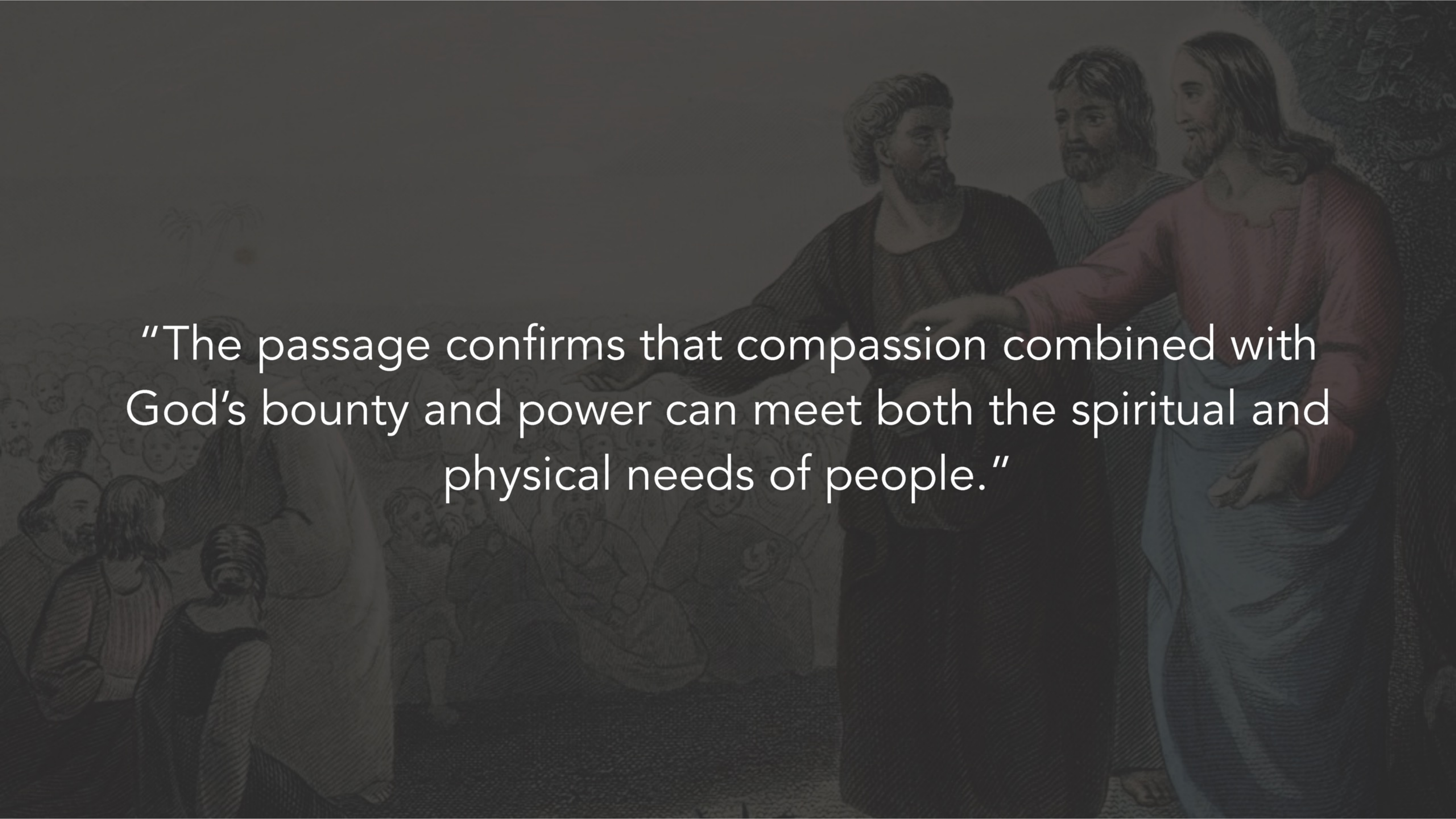
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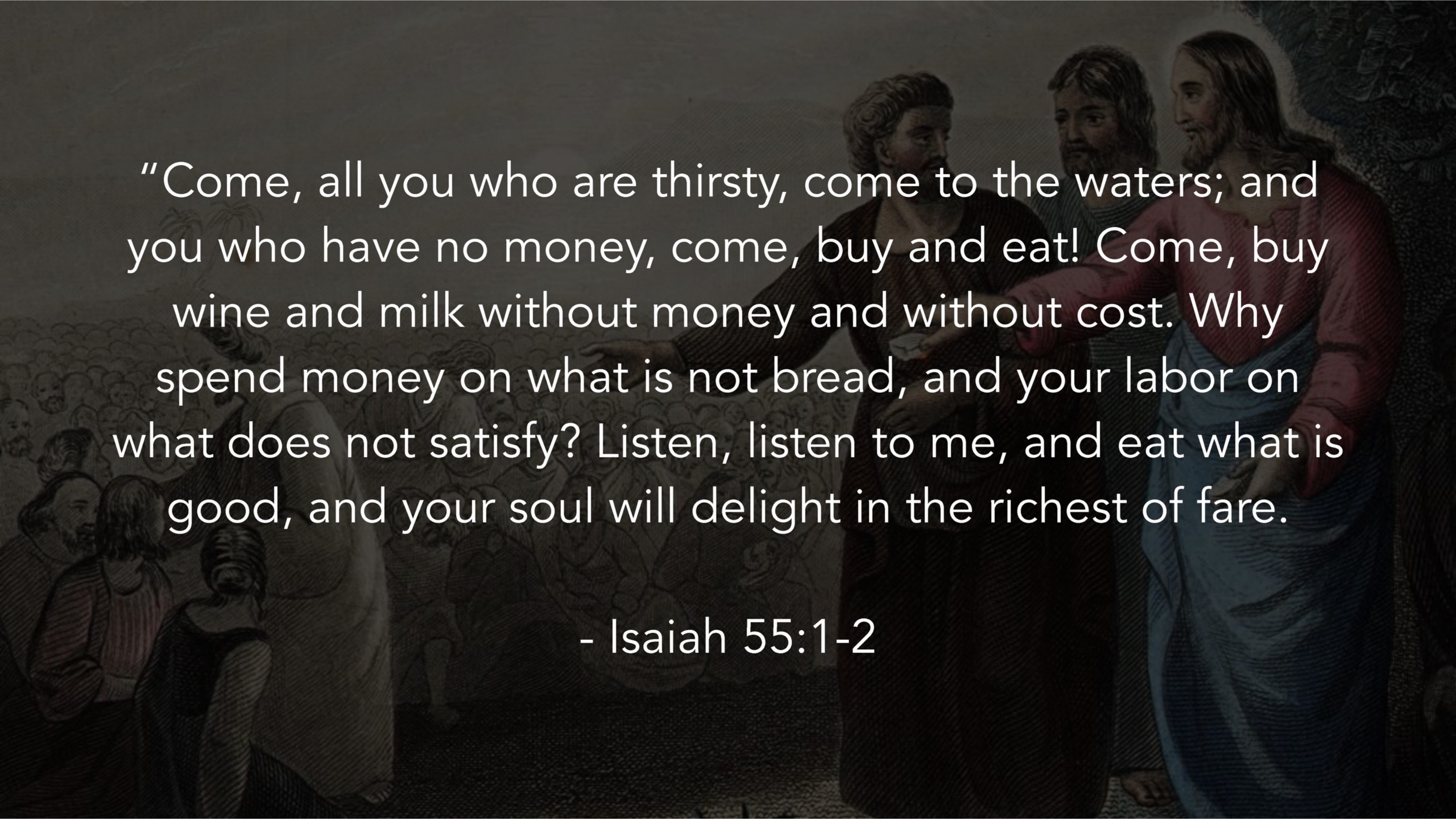


If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth. This then is how we know that we belong to the truth, and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence.

1 John 3:17–19



“The passage confirms that compassion combined with God’s bounty and power can meet both the spiritual and physical needs of people.”



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