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- **FIRST:** Endurance is NECESSARY if we are to be SAVED eternally! —
 - ▶ We MUST be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord — 1 Cor. 15:58; Gal. 6:9
 - ▶ If we do not endure, we will be lost — Heb. 10:32-39; 12:1-3; Mat. 10:22; 24:13; Luke 8:15; 21:19; Rom. 2:7; 5:3, 4; 8:25; James 5:7-11; etc.
- **SECOND:** If we are to endure to the end, we MUST possess certain qualities and engage in certain things — **Psalms 27**

Psalm 27:1–14 (NKJV)

A Psalm of David.

¹ The Lord *is* my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear? The Lord *is* the strength of my life; Of whom shall I be afraid? ² When the wicked came against me To eat up my flesh, My enemies and foes, They stumbled and fell. ³ Though an army may encamp against me, My heart shall not fear; Though war may rise against me, In this I *will be* confident. ⁴ One *thing* I have desired of the Lord, That will I seek: That I may dwell in the house of the Lord All the days of my life, To behold the beauty of the Lord, And to inquire in His temple.

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⁵ For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion; In the secret place of His tabernacle He shall hide me; He shall set me high upon a rock. ⁶ And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me; Therefore I will offer sacrifices of joy in His tabernacle; I will sing, yes, I will sing praises to the Lord. ⁷ Hear, O Lord, *when* I cry with my voice! Have mercy also upon me, and answer me. ⁸ *When You said*, “Seek My face,” My heart said to You, “Your face, Lord, I will seek.”

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- **Psalm 27: “A Psalm of David” –**
- **Do not know for sure at what point in David’s life it was written**
 - ▶ The Septuagint interpreters add to this title, “before he was anointed” –
 - ▶ Some modern scholars suggest it was written during the time of Absalom’s rebellion.

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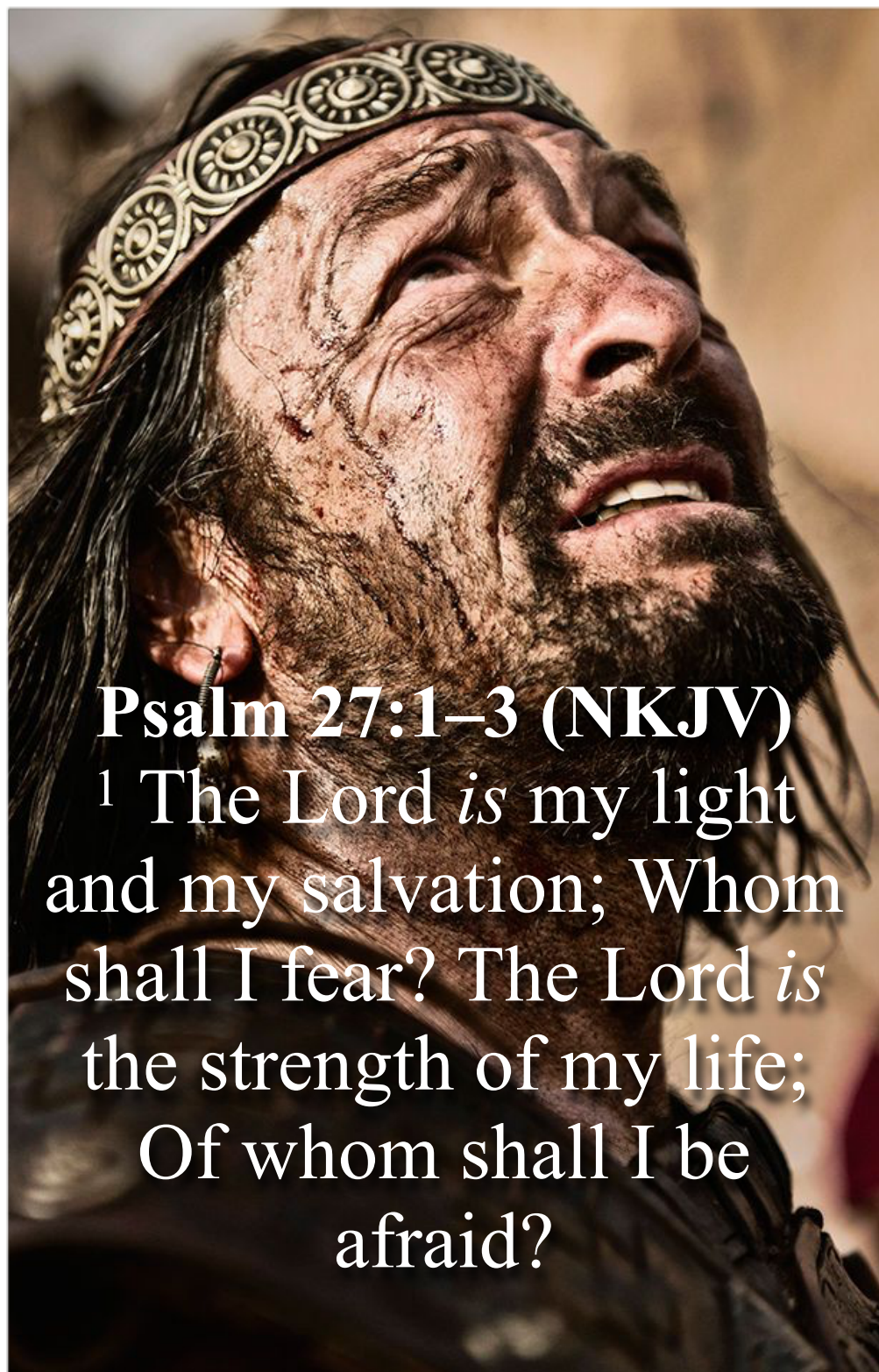


■ The PSALM contains

- ▶ (1) a *testimony* of his **faith** (vv. 1–6);
- ▶ (2) the *testing* of his **faith** (vv. 7–12)
- ▶ (3) the *triumph* of his **faith** (vv. 13–14).

■ **KEY to ENDURANCE**
is our FAITH ...

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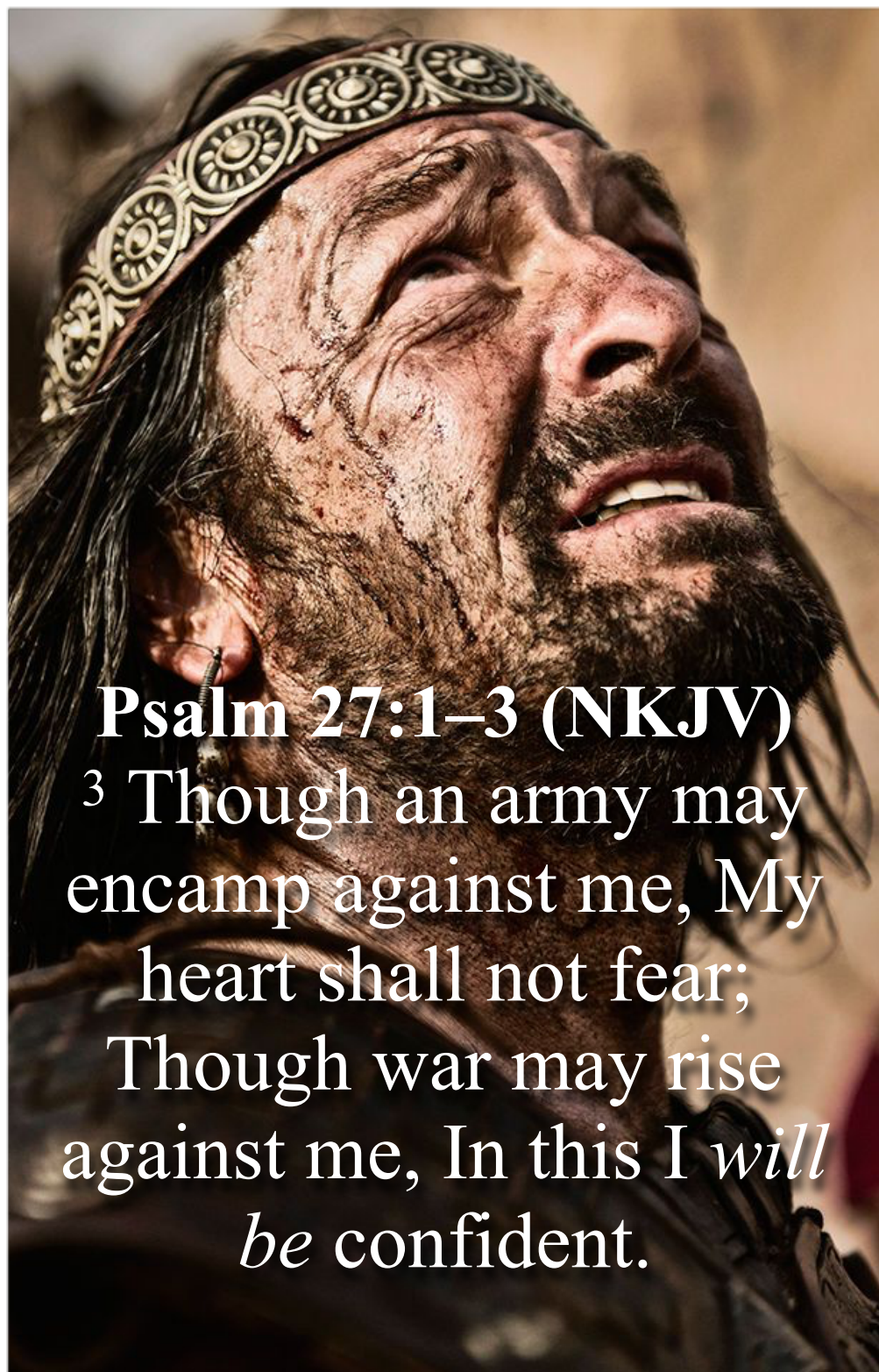
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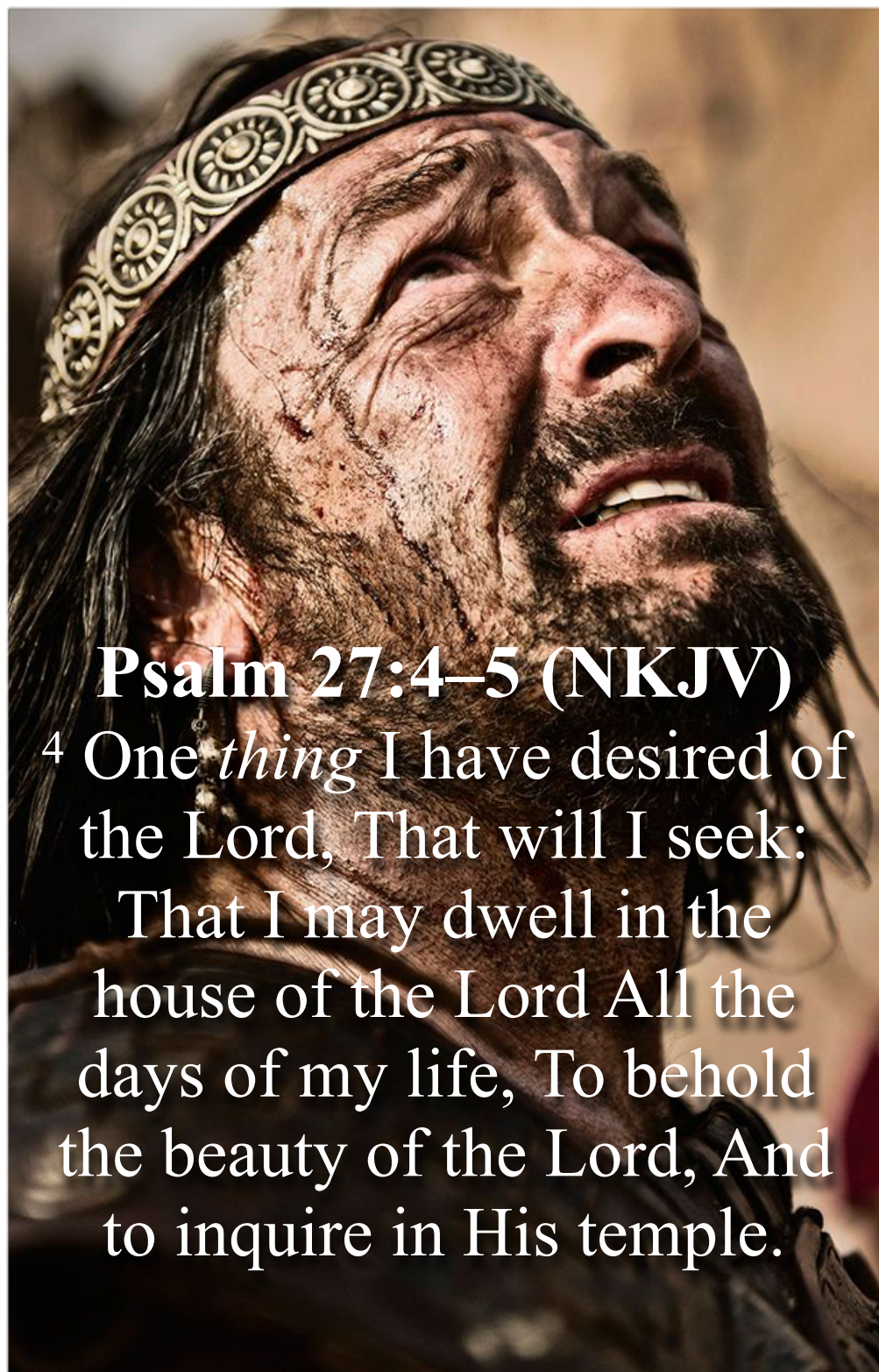
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- ▶ Trust extinguishes fear – (1,3)- Psalm 118:6; Mat. 8:26; Rom 8:31; Heb. 13:6.
- ▶ Trust is confident even in the face of “apparent” certain defeat – 3; 1 Sam. 17:11,24, 32-; cf. Rom. 8:31-39; Rev.

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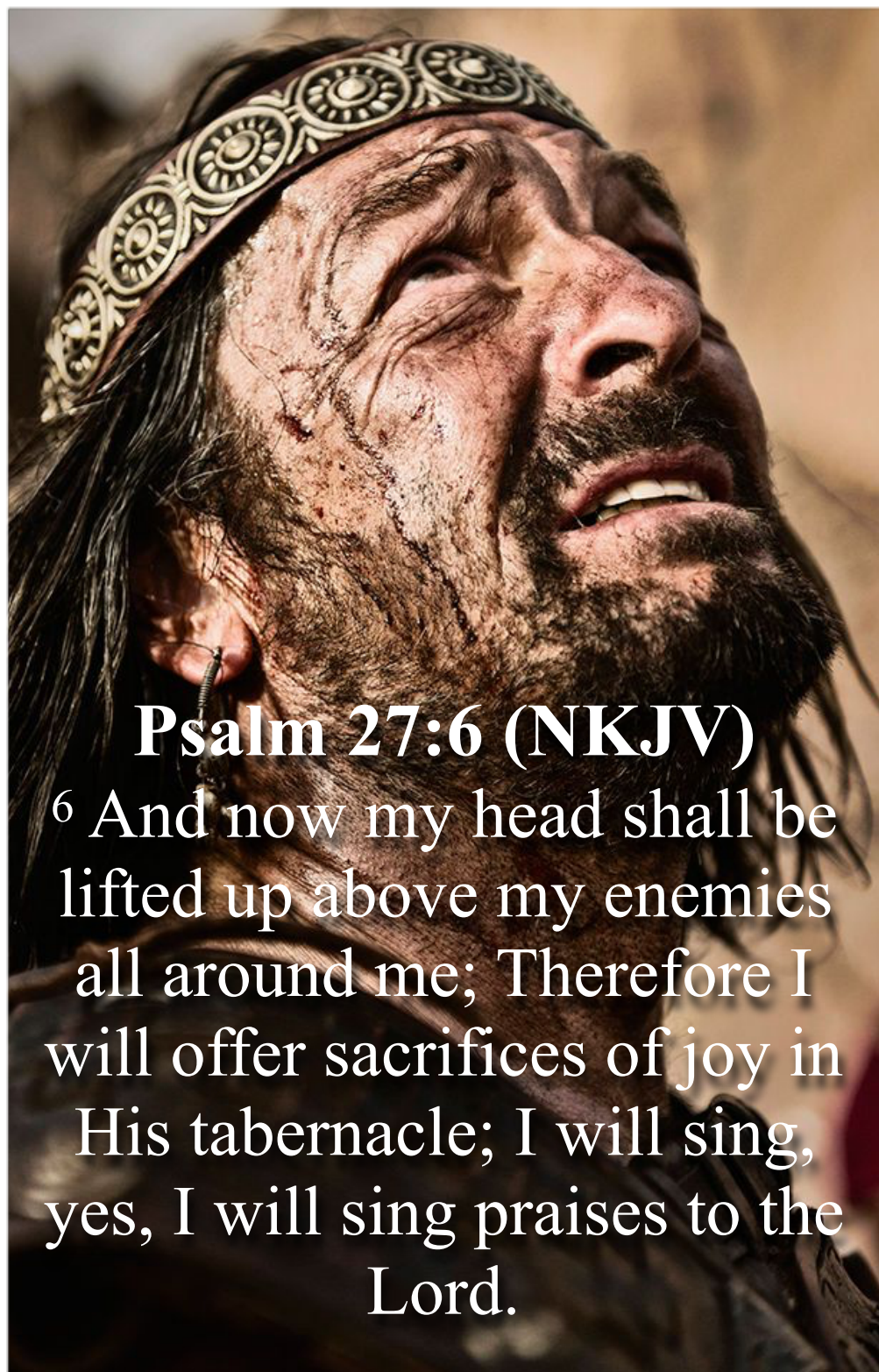
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- ▶ David sought God's protection, security & support - (5; Col. 3:3; Col. 3:1-3; Mat 7:24,25;)

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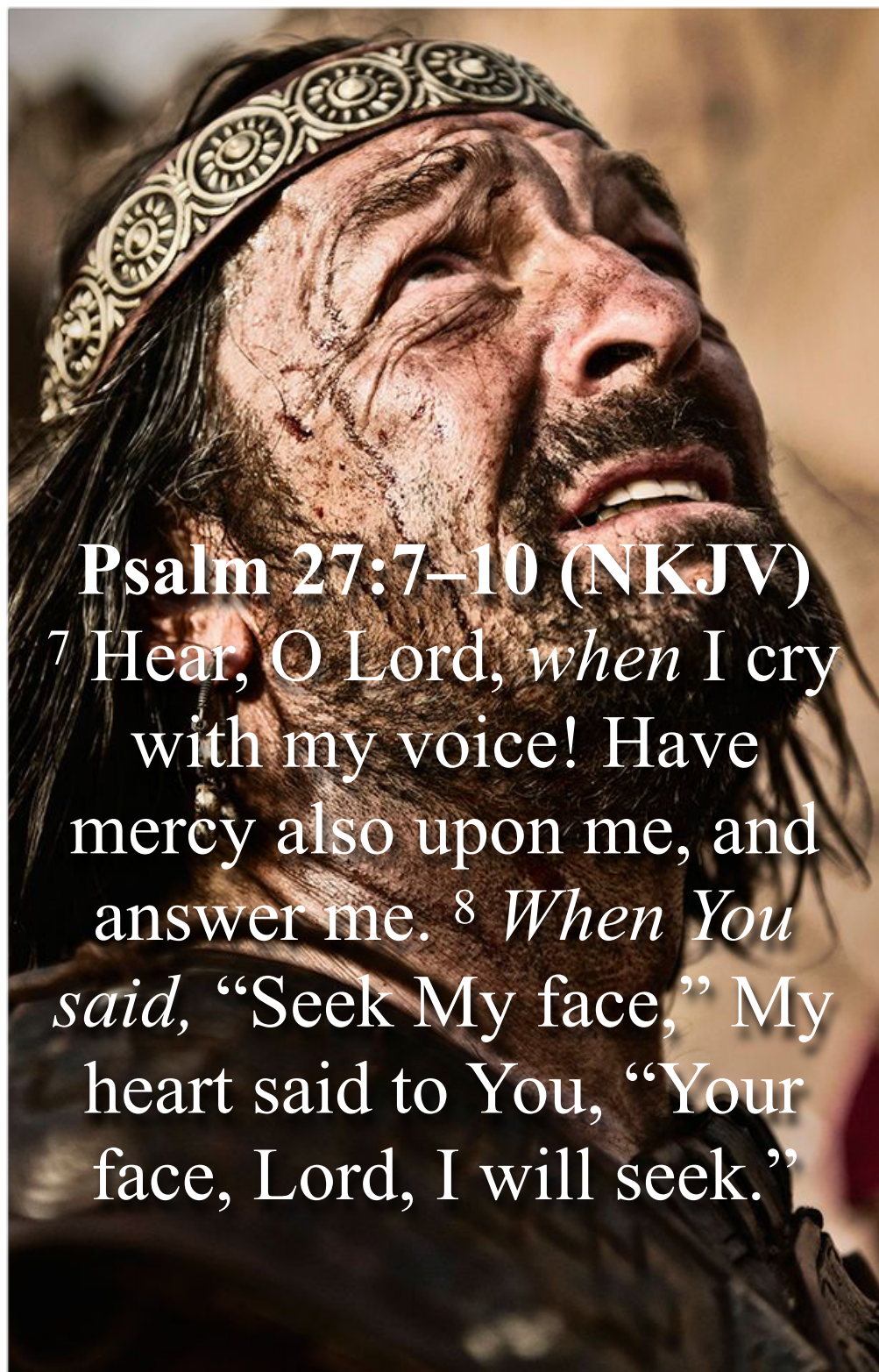
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⁶ And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me; Therefore I will offer sacrifices of joy in His tabernacle; I will sing, yes, I will sing praises to the Lord.

■ **David's Joy – (6)**

- ▶ David recognizes His blessed position – (6; 3:3; Eph 1:3, 20; 2:6; Rom 5:1-8)
- ▶ The result is joyful worship – (6; 26:7; 66:13-16; 107:22; Jn 4:24,25; Heb 13:15)
- ▶ The joyful heart is a singing heart – (6; 21:1,13; 95:1; 100:1,2; Acts 16:25; Eph 5:19,20; Col. 3:16)

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- ▶ A confident, but humble plea for mercy – (9,10; 2 Tim 4:17,18; Heb 13:5)

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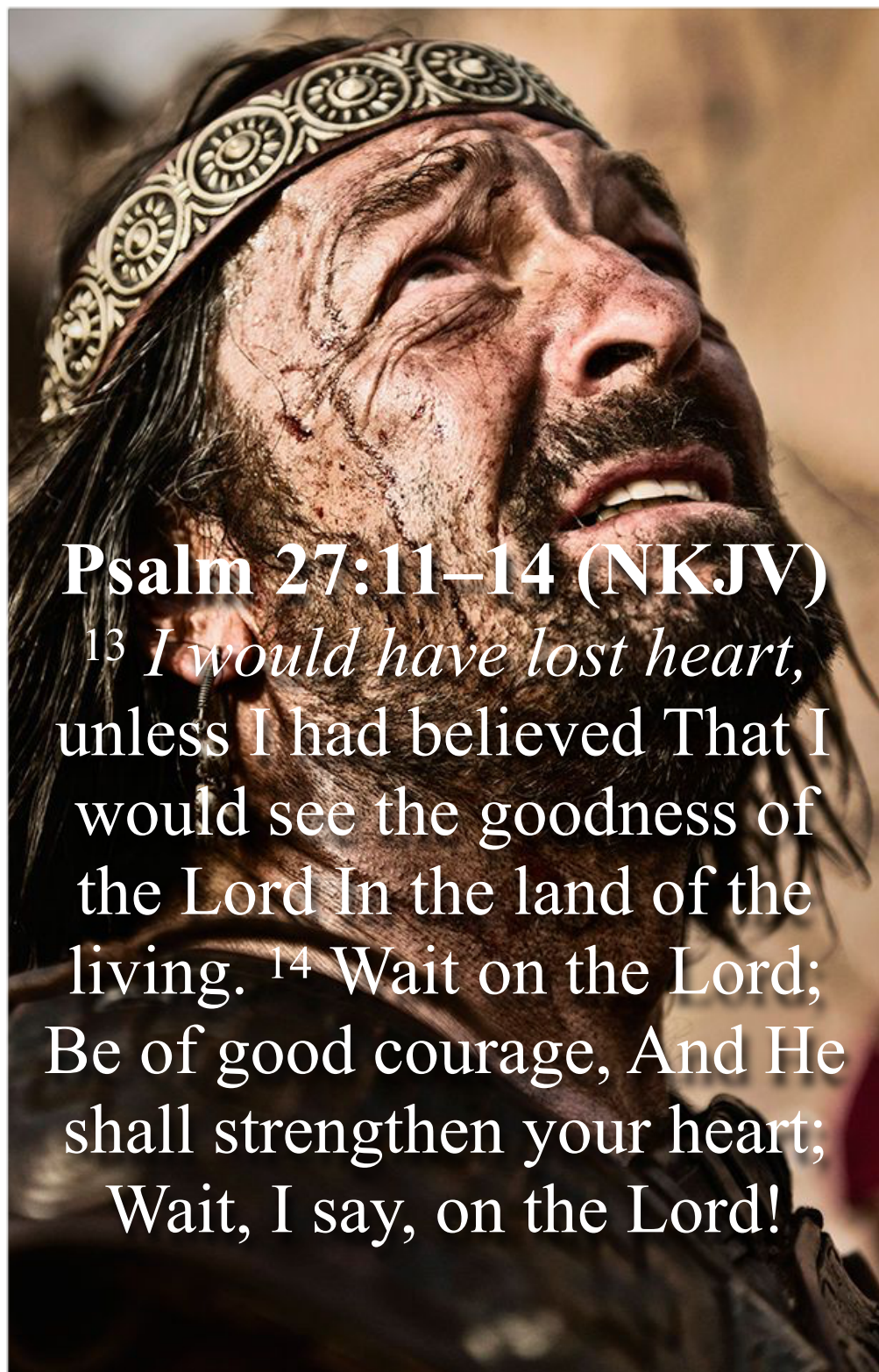
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- ▶ Faith preserves in times of discouragement – (13; 42:5; 2 Cor. 4:8-16; Heb. 12:1-3)
- ▶ Have patience and courage – God will strengthen your heart – (14; 31:24; 62:5; Rom 8:25; Col. 1:9-11; Phil 4:13)

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- **Faith** – Hebrews 11:6; James 2:14-26
- **Desire** – Colossians 3:1-3; Philippians 3:7-14
- **Joy** – Philippians 4:4-13; Ac. 5:41; Ro. 5:2,3; Ja. 1:2-4; 1 Pe. 1:3-9; 4:13.
- **Commitment** – Acts 11:23
- **Hope** — 1 Pet 1:3; Rom 5:4; 8:24; Heb 6:18



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²⁷ Depart from evil, and do good; And dwell forevermore. ²⁸ For the Lord loves justice, And does not forsake His saints; They are preserved forever, But the descendants of the wicked shall be cut off. ²⁹ The righteous shall inherit the land, And dwell in it forever. ³⁰ The mouth of the righteous speaks wisdom, And his tongue talks of justice.

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³¹ The law of his God *is* in his heart;
None of his steps shall slide. ³² The
wicked watches the righteous, And
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³⁵ I have seen the wicked in great power, And spreading himself like a native green tree. ³⁶ Yet he passed away, and behold, he was no *more*; Indeed I sought him, but he could not be found. ³⁷ Mark the blameless *man*, and observe the upright; For the future of *that man is peace*.

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³⁸ But the transgressors shall be destroyed together; The future of the wicked shall be cut off. ³⁹ But the salvation of the righteous *is* from the Lord; *He is* their strength in the time of trouble. ⁴⁰ And the Lord shall help them and deliver them; He shall deliver them from the wicked, And save them, Because they trust in Him.