A person's legs, wearing a light-colored skirt and high-heeled shoes, are walking on a dark, reflective surface. The legs are in motion, with one foot slightly ahead of the other. The background is blurred, showing a light-colored wall or floor.

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## CONTEXT

Jesus gives the 12 apostles power to cast out demons and heal the sick (Mat. 10:1-4; cf. Mark 6:7; Luke 9:1)

Jesus sends them out on the limited commission (10:5,6)

They were to preach “The kingdom of heaven is at hand,” casting out demons & healing the sick (10:7,8)

They were to take nothing with them “for a worker is worthy of his food.” (10:9,10)

They were to expect rejection & persecution (10:11-23)



# Matthew 10:24–42 (NKJV)

<sup>24</sup><sup>j</sup>“A disciple is not above *his* teacher, nor a servant above his master. <sup>25</sup> It is enough for a disciple that he be like his teacher, and a servant like his master. If <sup>k</sup>they have called the master of the house <sup>7</sup>Beelzebub, how much more *will they call* those of his household! <sup>26</sup> Therefore do not fear them. <sup>l</sup>For there is nothing covered that will not be revealed, and hidden that will not be known.

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# Matthew 10:24–42 (NKJV)

<sup>28</sup> <sup>n</sup>And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather <sup>o</sup>fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in <sup>8</sup>hell. <sup>29</sup> Are not two <sup>p</sup>sparrows sold for a <sup>9</sup>copper coin? And not one of them falls to the ground apart from your Father's will. <sup>30</sup> <sup>q</sup>But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup> Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.

<sup>32</sup> <sup>r</sup>“Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, <sup>s</sup>him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven.

<sup>33</sup> <sup>t</sup>But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.



# Matthew 10:24–42 (NKJV)

<sup>34</sup> *u*“Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword. <sup>35</sup> For I have come to *v*‘set <sup>1</sup>a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law’; <sup>36</sup> and *w*‘a man’s enemies will be those of his own household.’ <sup>37</sup> *x*He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. <sup>38</sup> *y*And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. <sup>39</sup> *z*He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for My sake will find it.



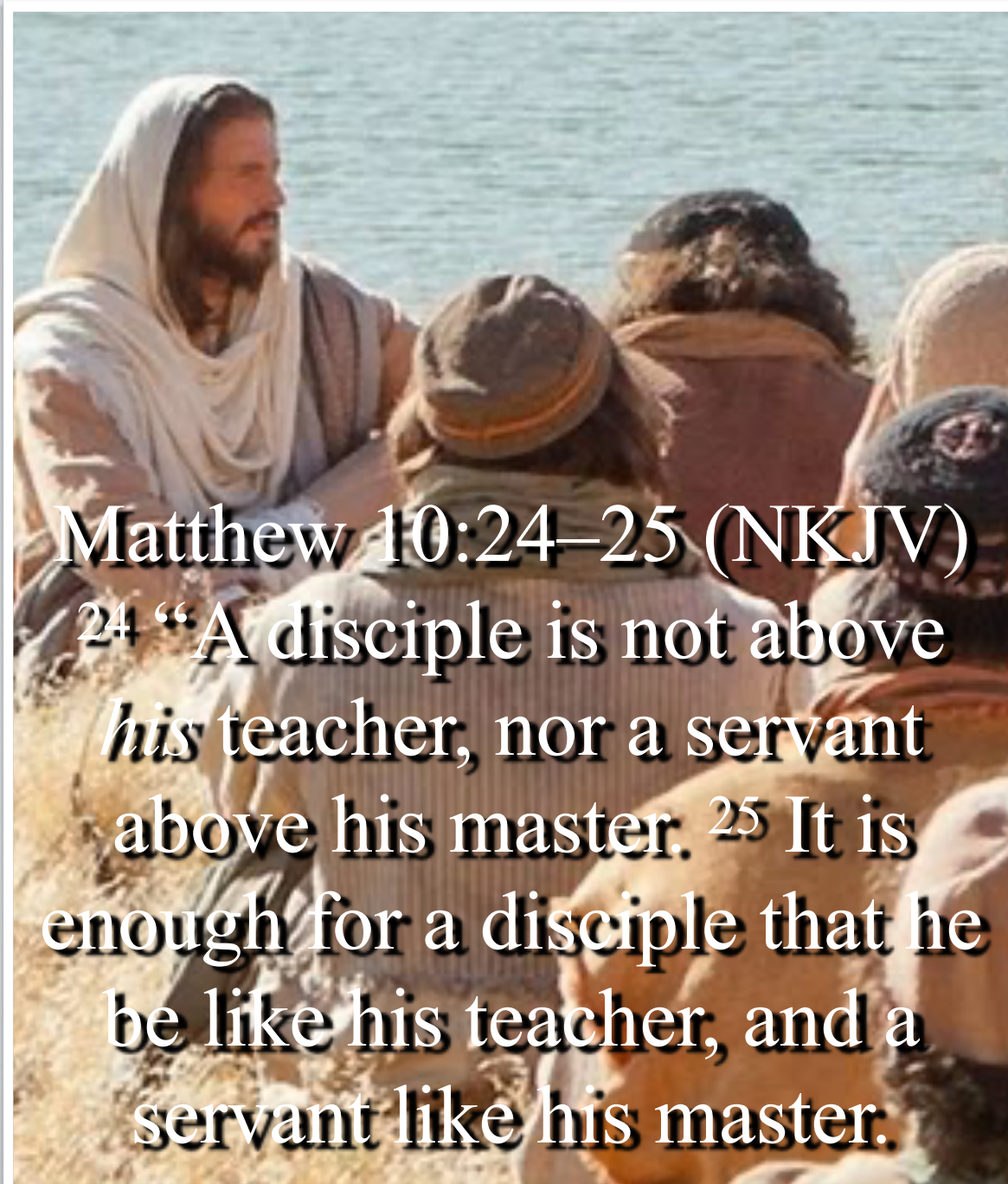
# Matthew 10:24–42 (NKJV)

<sup>40</sup> <sup>a</sup>“He who receives you receives Me, and he who receives Me receives Him who sent Me. <sup>41</sup> <sup>b</sup>He who receives a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet’s reward. And he who receives a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man’s reward. <sup>42</sup> <sup>c</sup>And whoever gives one of these little ones only a cup of cold *water* in the name of a disciple, assuredly, I say to you, he shall by no means lose his reward.”



# IT IS ENOUGH

To submit to Jesus and strive to be LIKE Him (10:24,25)



Matthew 10:24–25 (NKJV)


24 “A disciple is not above *his* teacher, nor a servant above his master. 25 It is enough for a disciple that he be like his teacher, and a servant like his master.

- We must place ourselves under Jesus' teaching and be diligent learners of His way (24; Jn 15:10; 2 Pet. 3:16–18; He. 12:2–4; etc)
- We must strive to become like Jesus in attitude, character and purity (24; Luke 6:40; Rom. 13:14; 1 Cor. 11:1; Ep. 4:20–24; 5:1; 1 Pt. 1:15,16; Col. 3:12–17; Phili. 2:5–9)
- Is it “ENOUGH” for us to become like Jesus in thought, words, and deeds?



# IT IS ENOUGH

To bear His reproach by following Him (10:25b-26)



Matthew 10:25–26 (NKJV)

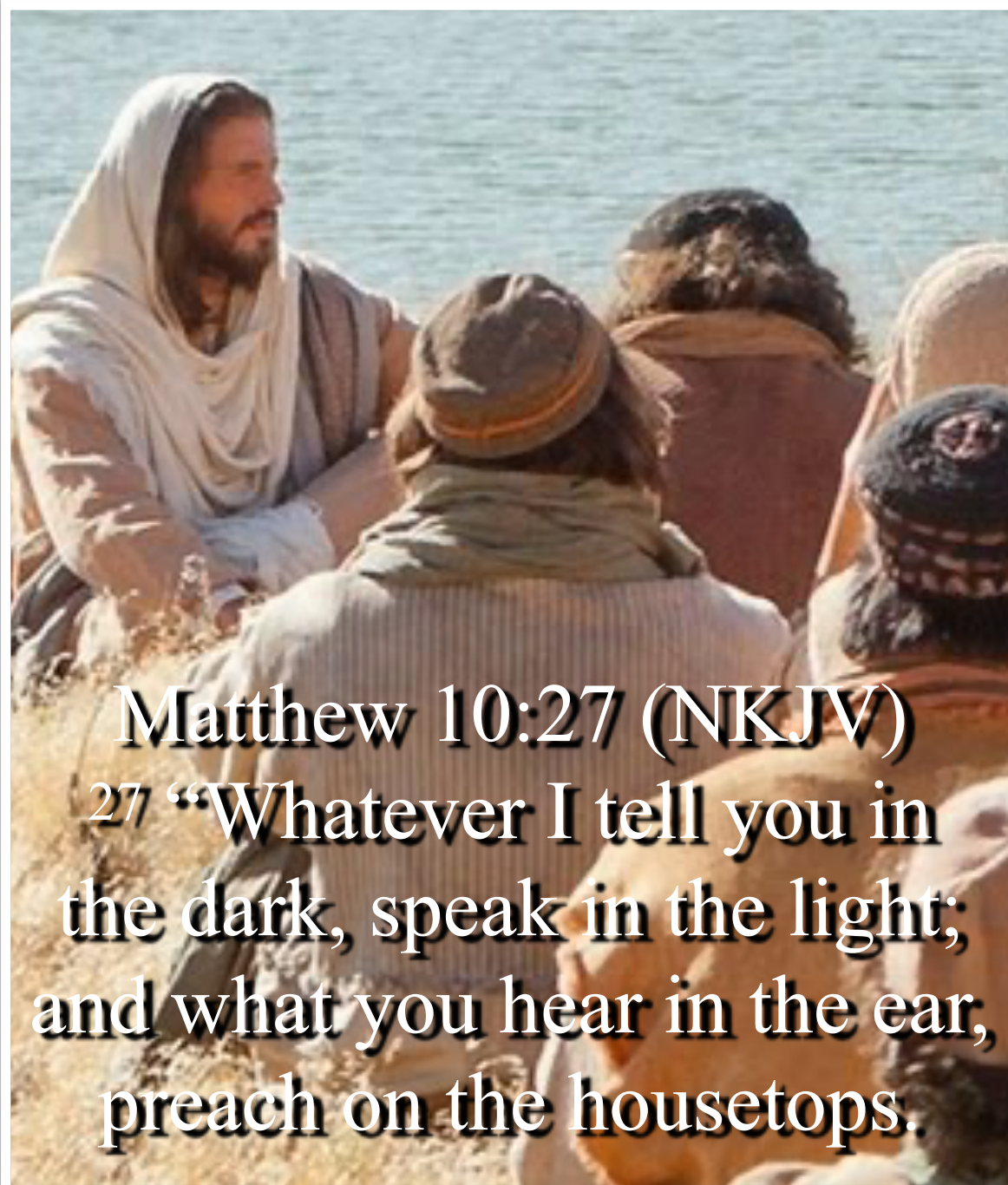
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- The Jewish leadership accused Jesus of having a demon (Mk 3:22; Lk 11:15, 18, 19; Jn 8:48, 52)
- Likewise, just as Jesus said, His disciples were persecuted for being followers of Jesus (10:18, 25; 5:11, 12; 24:9; Act. 9:16. Rom. 8:36. 1 Co. 4:10. 2 Co. 4:11; 1 Pet. 4:14; Rev. 2:3, 10).
- Is it enough for us to be rewarded by our Father in heaven despite what pain we may suffer in this life?



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To boldly proclaim the gospel (10:27-31)

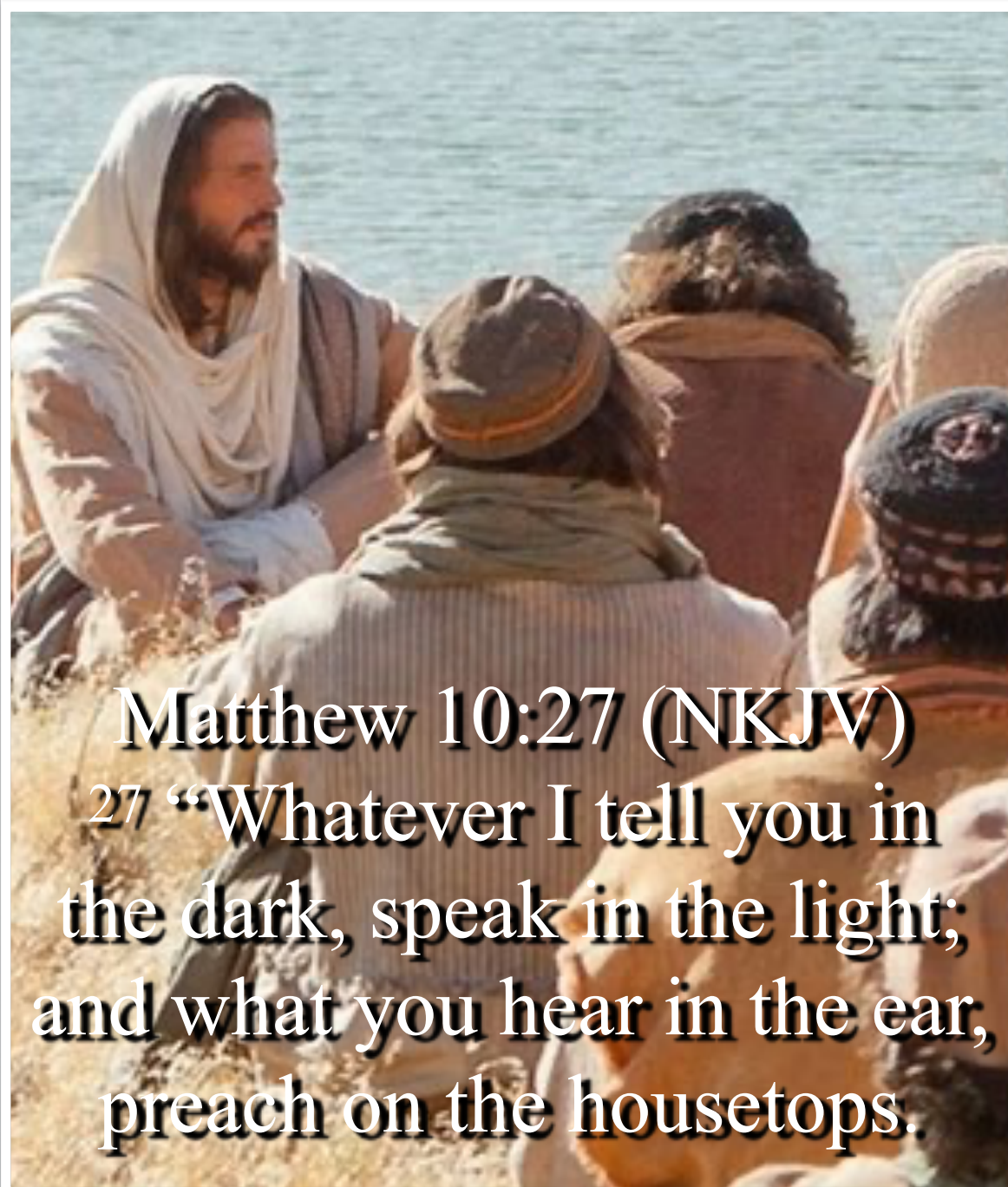


- The apostles were taught privately by Jesus and was to proclaim His message to the entire world, which they did (Mt. 28:19,20; Mk 16:15,16; Col. 1:5,6,23)
- We are also to share Jesus and His teaching with others (Acts 8:4; 1 Thes. 1:8)
- We must fear God, not man (28)
- Is it enough for us to trust the Lord to be with us as we are doing His work?



# IT IS ENOUGH

To boldly proclaim the gospel (10:27-31)



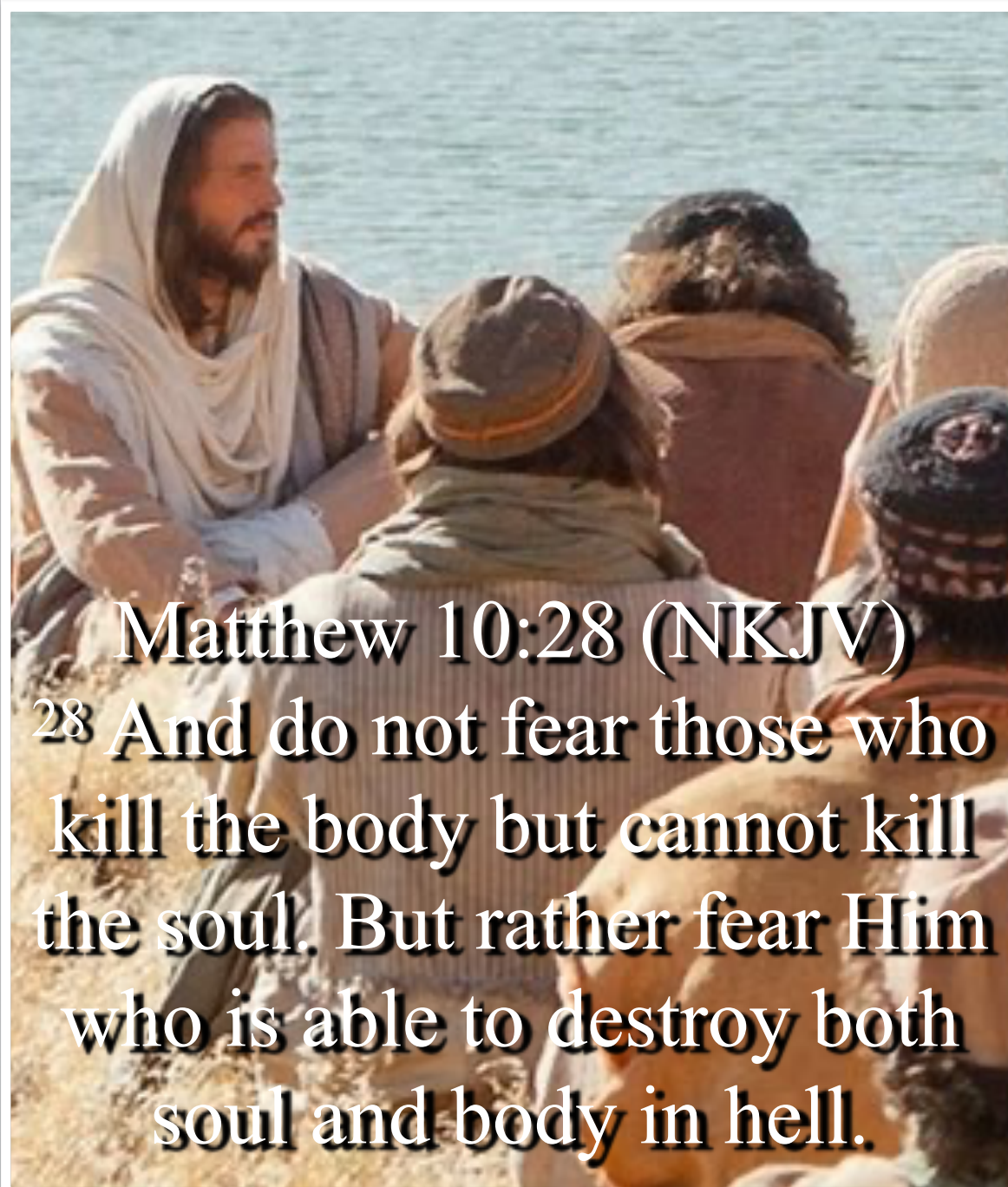
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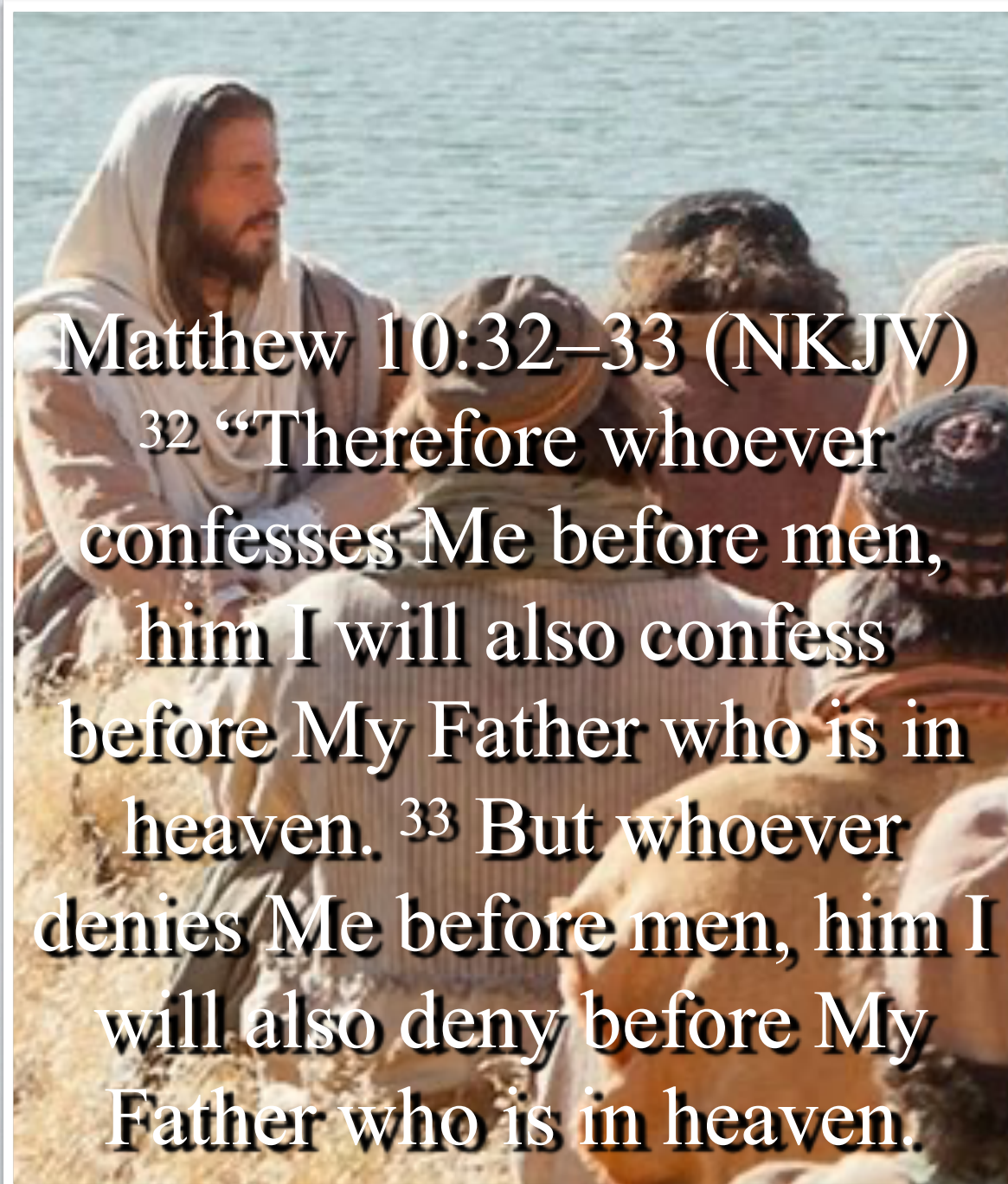
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- We are also to share Jesus and His teaching with others (Ac 8:4; 1 Th. 1:8)
- Fearless should be our attitude because of the strength of God and His word. (28; cf Heb 4:12)
- Is it enough for us to trust the Lord to be with us as we are doing His work?



# IT IS ENOUGH

To be accepted by God (10:32,33)



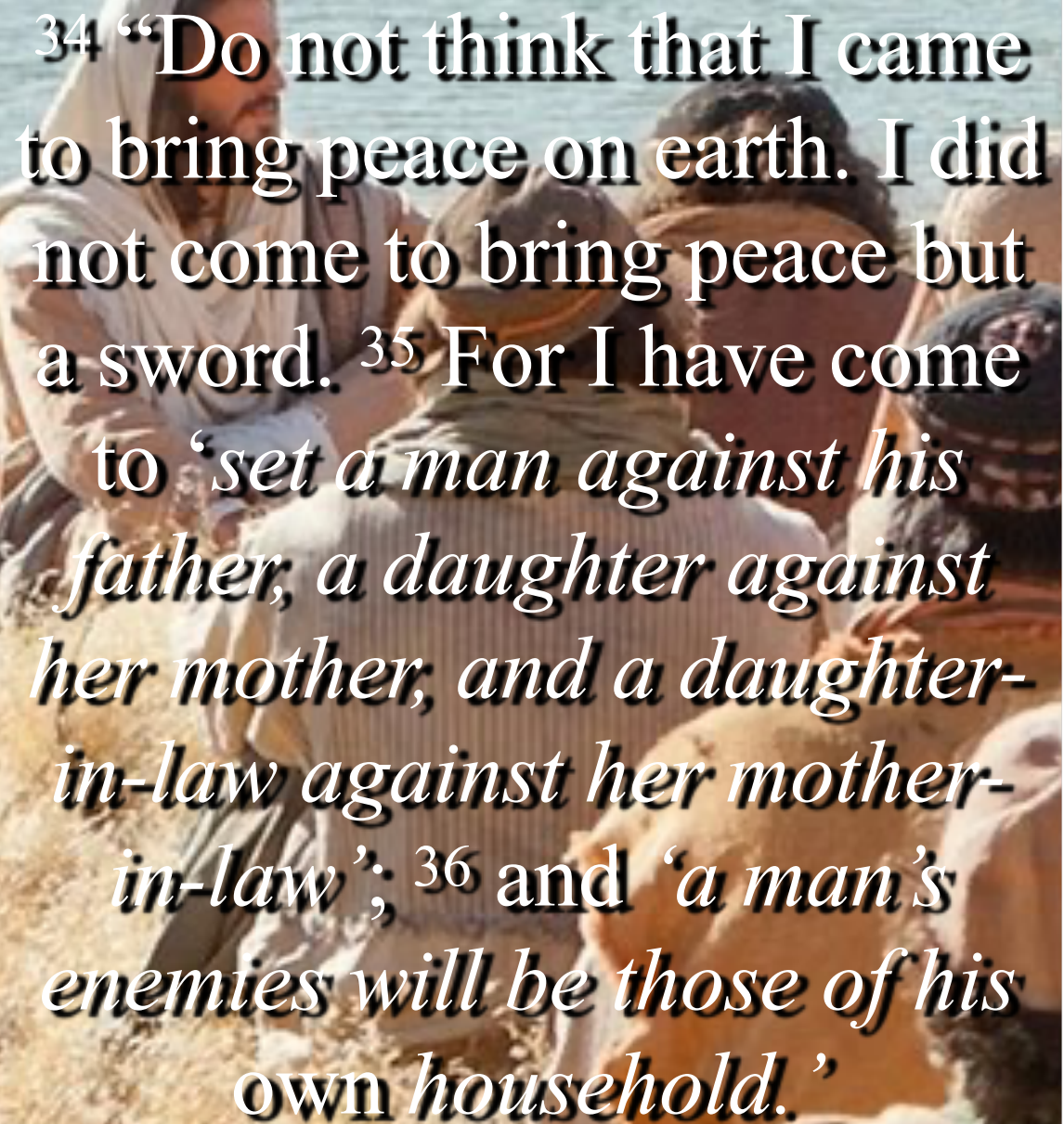
- They must confess or profess Him—it is something His followers have to do. (32,33; cf Rom 10:9; 1 Tim 6:12; 2 Tim 1:8; 1 Jn 4:15; Rev 2:13)
- A refusal to confess or profess Him will bring a denial by Jesus before the Father - They/we cannot be ashamed of Christ. (cf Jn 12:42)
- Is it enough for us to profess our love and loyalty to Jesus to those around us? (Rom. 1:16; Lu. 9:26; 1 Co. 2:2; 2 Ti. 1:8, 12, 16; 1 Pe. 4:16)



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To live for Jesus regardless the cost (10:34-39)

Matthew 10:34–36 (NKJV)



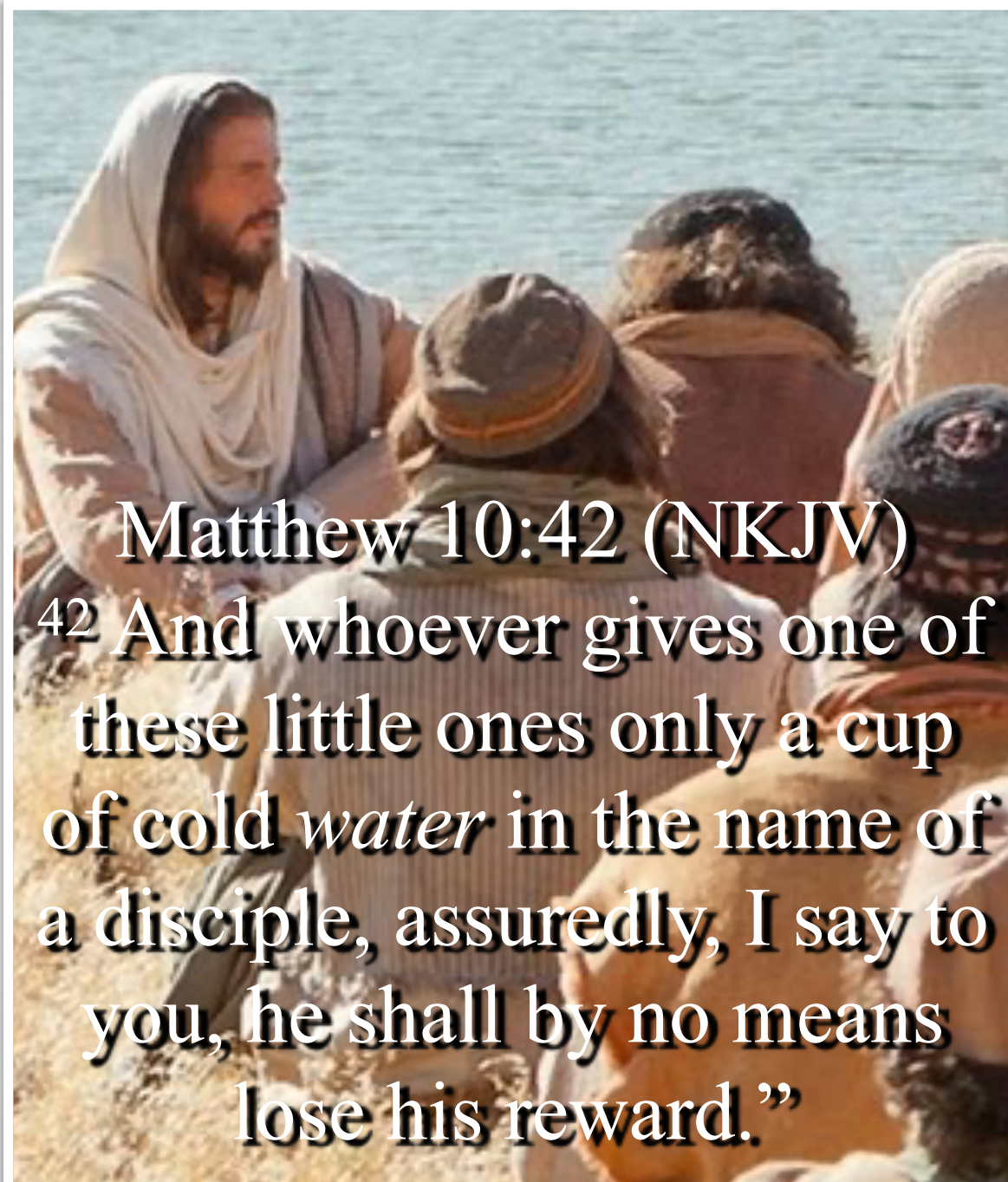
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- Following Christ will cause the loss of family and friends (34-36)
- The apostle Paul accepted the loss of all things that he may gain Christ (Phili. 1:20,21; 3:7-11)
- Following Jesus requires we deny ourselves and take up our cross, risking even our lives for His cause (38,39; Mat. 16:24; Lk 9:23; 14:27)
- Is it enough for us to risk all that is temporary for that which is eternal? (Mat. 16:25,26)



# IT IS ENOUGH

To do the SMALL things ... (10:40-42)



- Every action and service for the cause of Christ is important and will be rewarded (40-42; Matt. 25:40; Mk 9:41; Jn 12:3-8; Hb. 6:10)
- In the NT, the success of the spread of the gospel was a not due ONLY to the courageous efforts of those who preached, but also to those who provided for them, prayed for them, encouraged them, helped them, etc. (Ac 9:36-39; Ro 16:1-15)
- Is it enough for us to do the small things to help the cause of Christ?



# IT IS ENOUGH



TO BE A CHRISTIAN &  
A CHRISTIAN ONLY

TO FOLLOW THE BIBLE &  
NOT DOCTRINES OF MEN

TO WORSHIP ONLY AS  
INSTRUCTED

TO DO ONLY THE WORK  
JESUS CALLS US TO DO

TO BE CONTENT WITH  
WHATEVER WE HAVE ...





Matthew 10:24-42

# IS IT ENOUGH

FOR US TO FOLLOW JESUS?

FOR US TO SUFFER FOR JESUS?

FOR US TO BOLDLY SHARE JESUS?

FOR US TO BE ACCEPTED BY GOD?

FOR US TO SACRIFICE THE TEMPORARY FOR THE ETERNAL?

FOR US TO DO THE SMALL THINGS THAT ARE NEEDED?







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# **Luke 12:13–21 (NKJV)**

<sup>13</sup> Then one from the crowd said to Him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.” <sup>14</sup> But He said to him, “Man, who made Me a judge or an arbitrator over you?” <sup>15</sup> And He said to them, “Take heed and beware of covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses.” <sup>16</sup> Then He spoke a parable to them, saying: “The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. <sup>17</sup> And he thought within himself, saying, ‘What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?’



## Luke 12:13–21 (NKJV)

<sup>18</sup> So he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. <sup>19</sup> And I will say to my soul, “Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, *and* be merry.”’ <sup>20</sup> But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?’ <sup>21</sup> “So *is* he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.”