

# *Filling the Gap*

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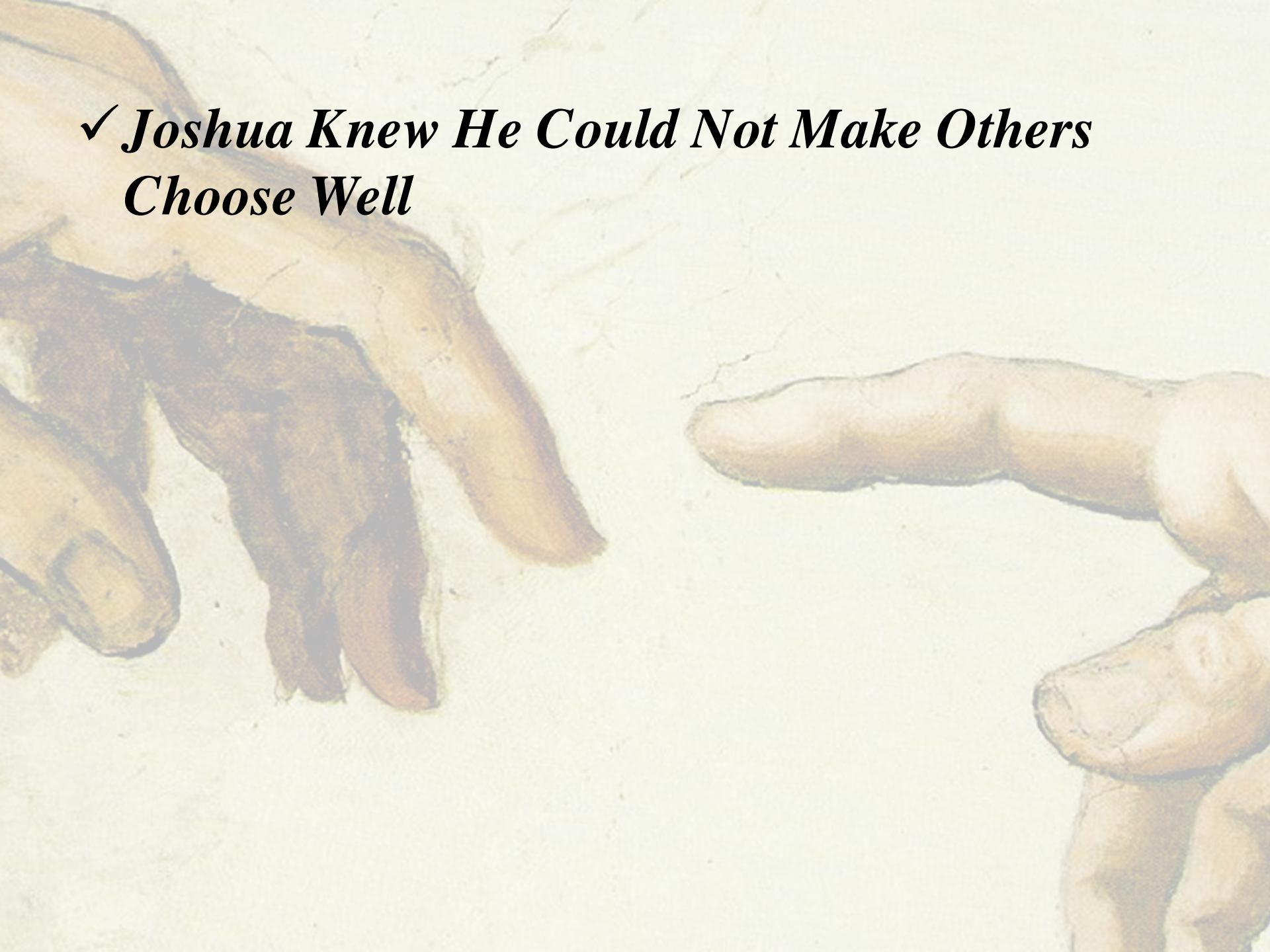


## ***Joshua 24:14-15 (NIV)***

**14 “Now fear the LORD and serve him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your ancestors worshiped beyond the Euphrates River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. 15 But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”**

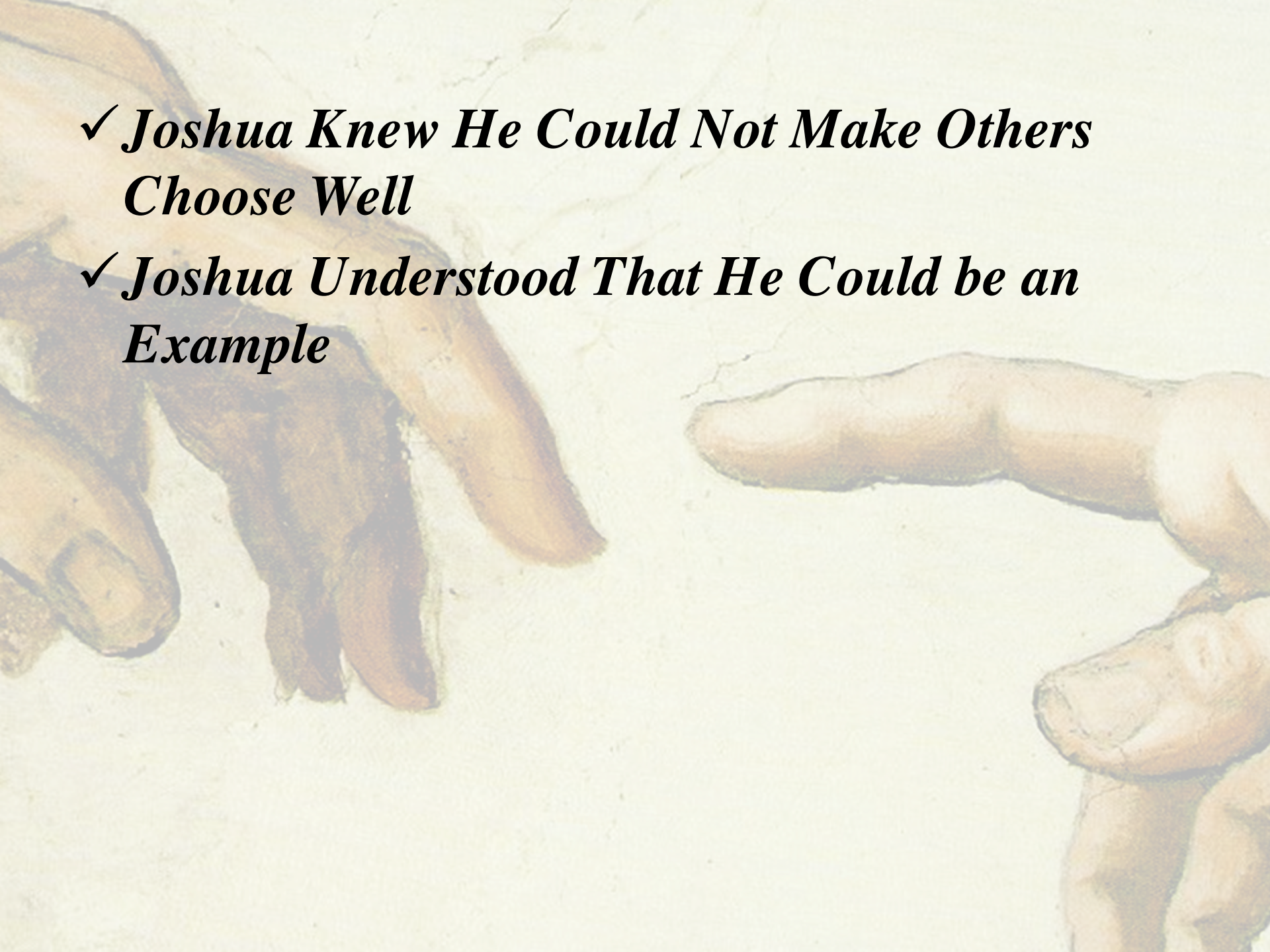


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# ***1 Corinthians 4:16 (NIV)***

**<sup>16</sup> Therefore I urge you to imitate me.**



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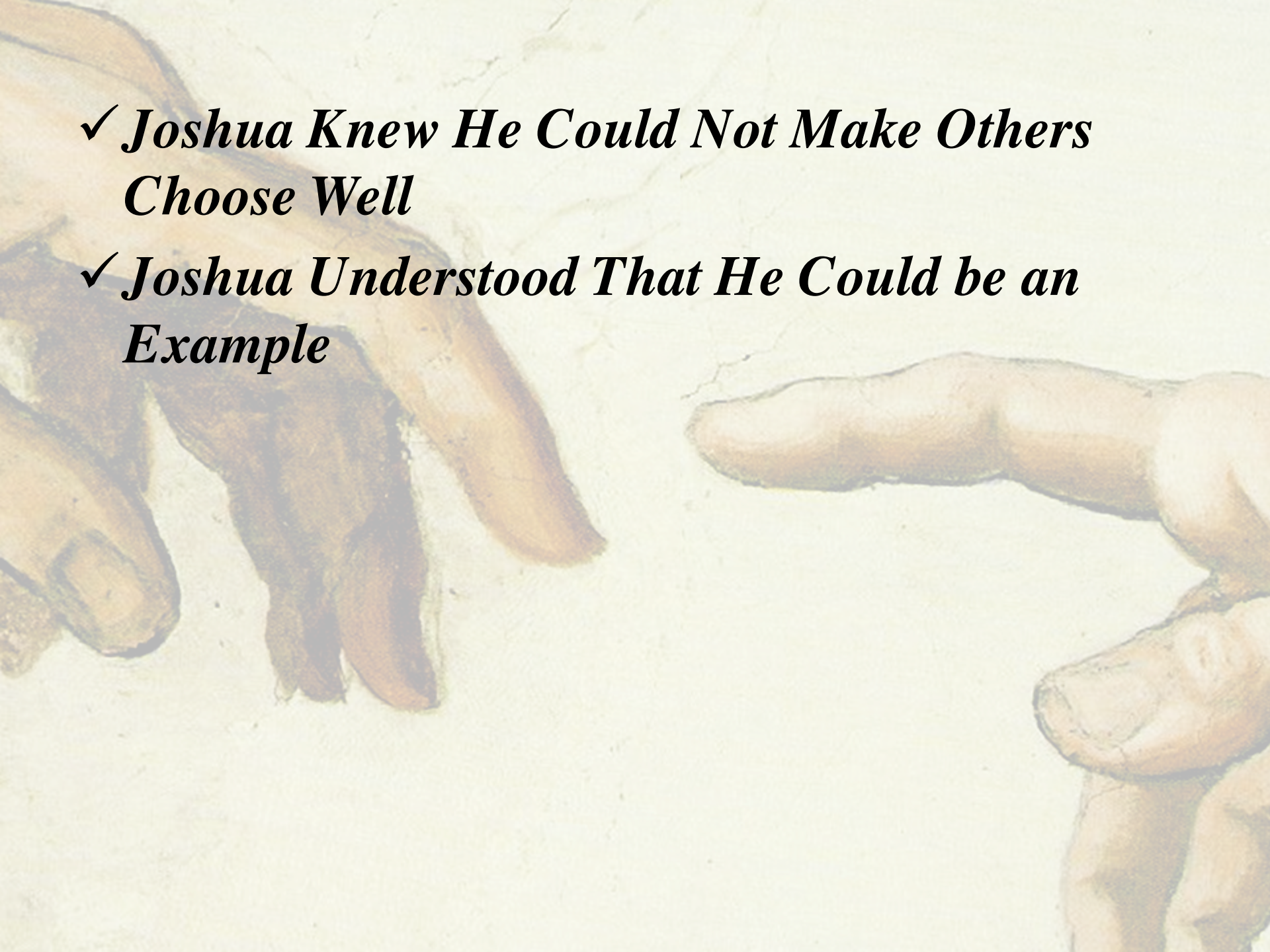
# *1 Thessalonians 1:6 (NIV)*

*<sup>6</sup> You became imitators of us and of the Lord,  
for you welcomed the message in the midst of  
severe suffering with the joy given by the  
Holy Spirit.*



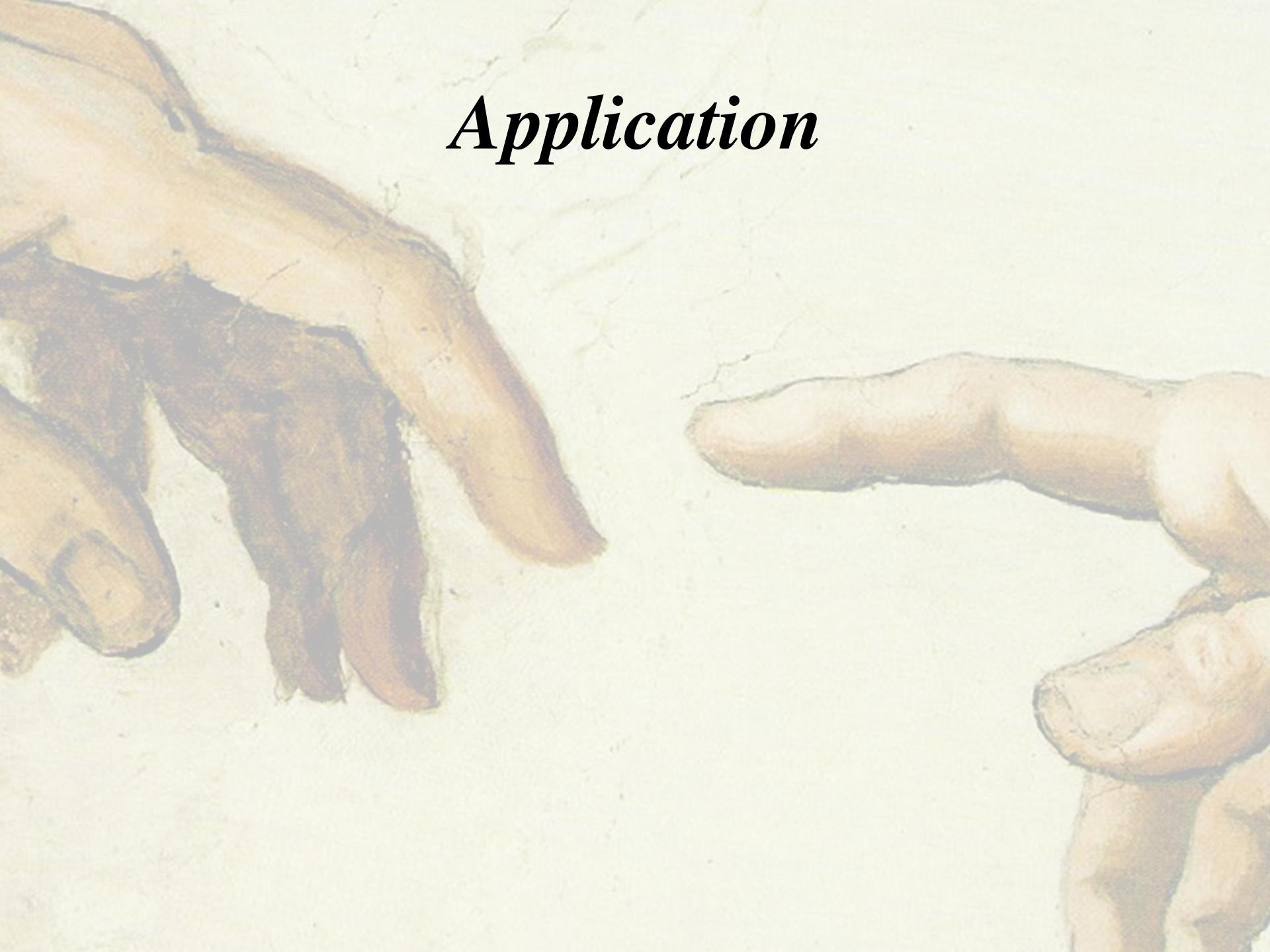
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## ***Ezekiel 22:29-30 (NIV)***

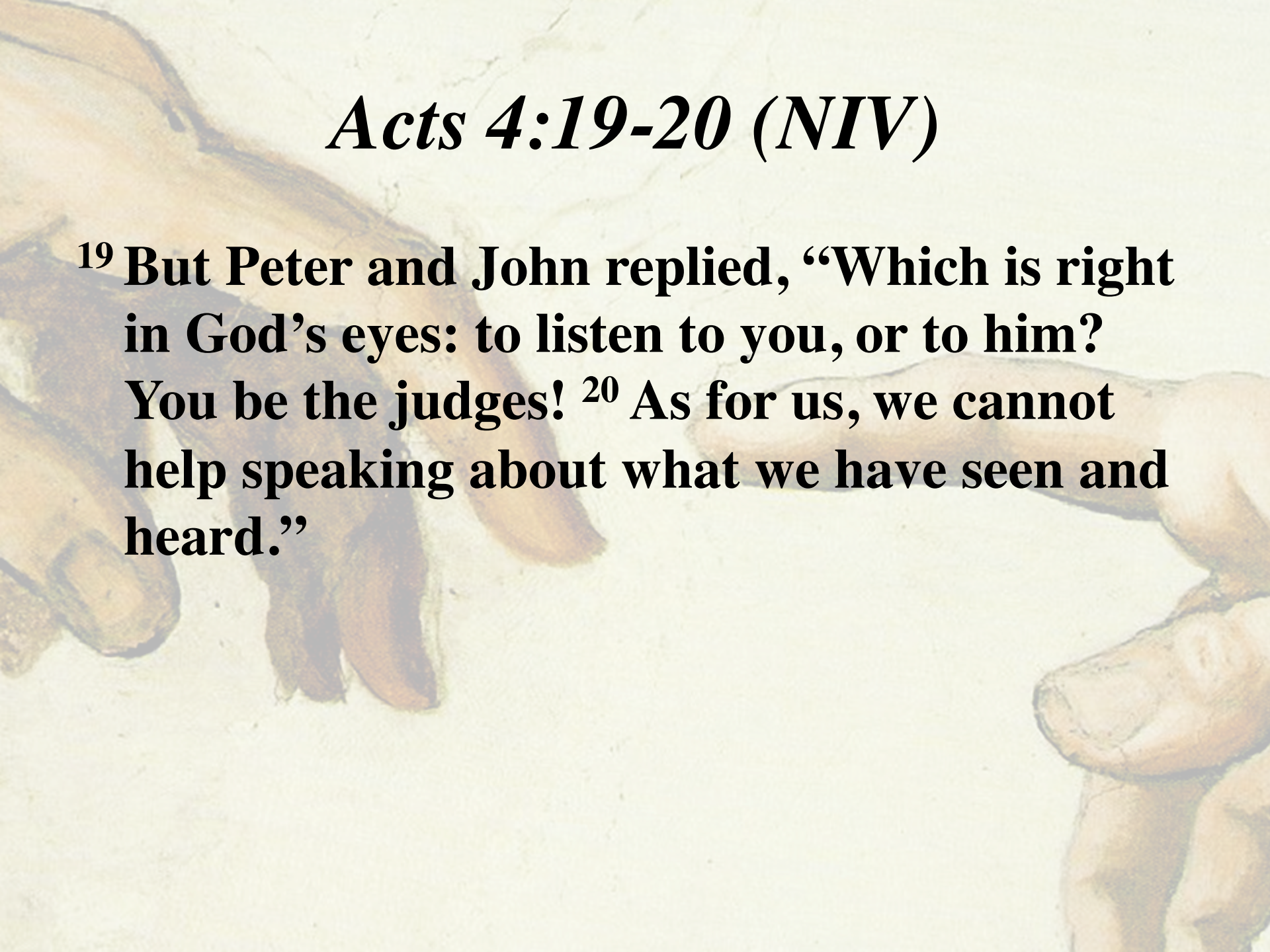
**<sup>29</sup> The people of the land practice extortion and commit robbery; they oppress the poor and needy and mistreat the foreigner, denying them justice. <sup>30</sup> “I looked for someone among them who would build up the wall and stand before me in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it, but I found no one.**



## ***Daniel 3:17-18 (NIV)***

**<sup>17</sup> If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty's hand. <sup>18</sup> But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up."**

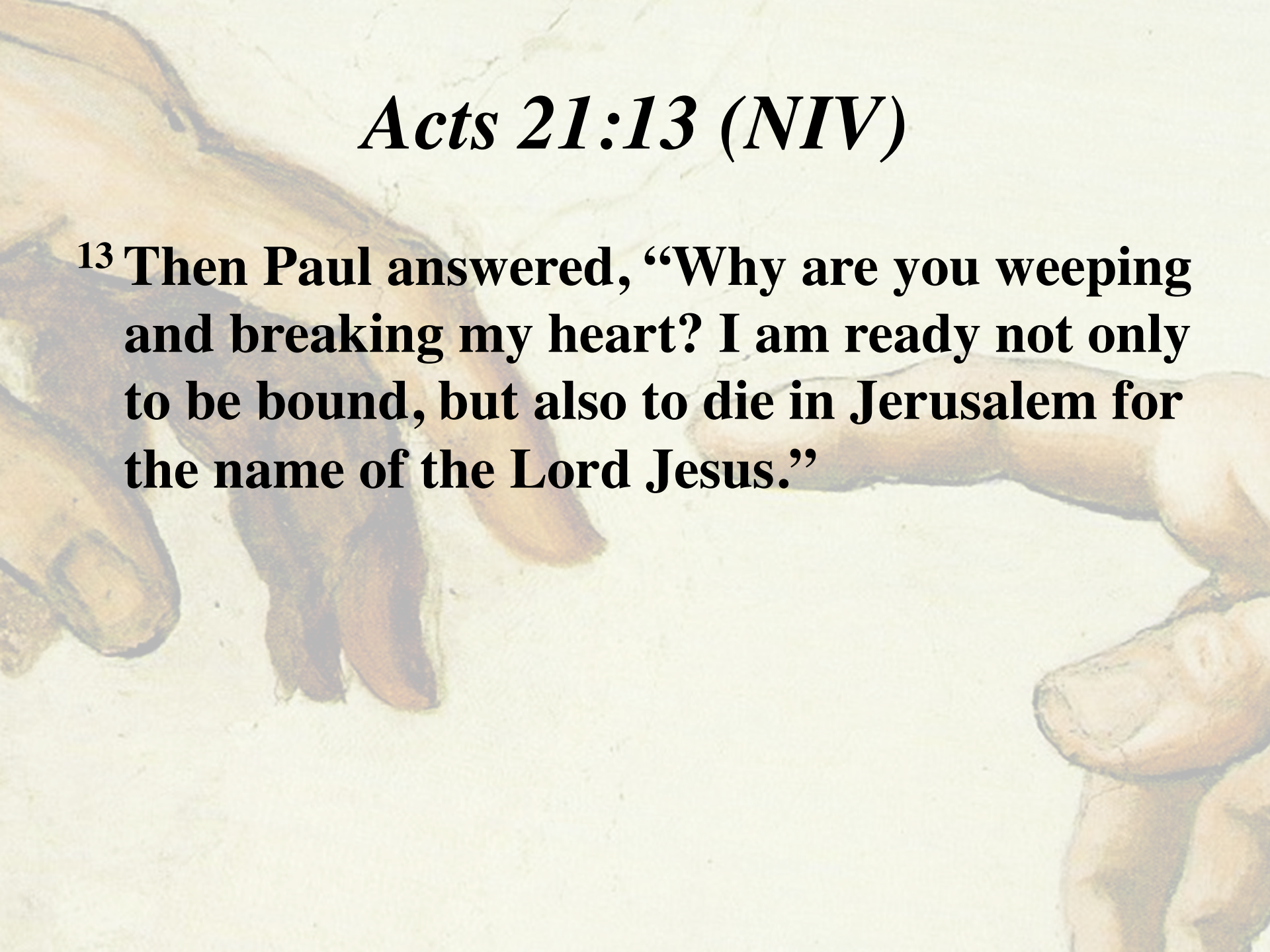


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## ***Acts 4:19-20 (NIV)***

**<sup>19</sup> But Peter and John replied, “Which is right in God’s eyes: to listen to you, or to him? You be the judges! <sup>20</sup> As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard.”**

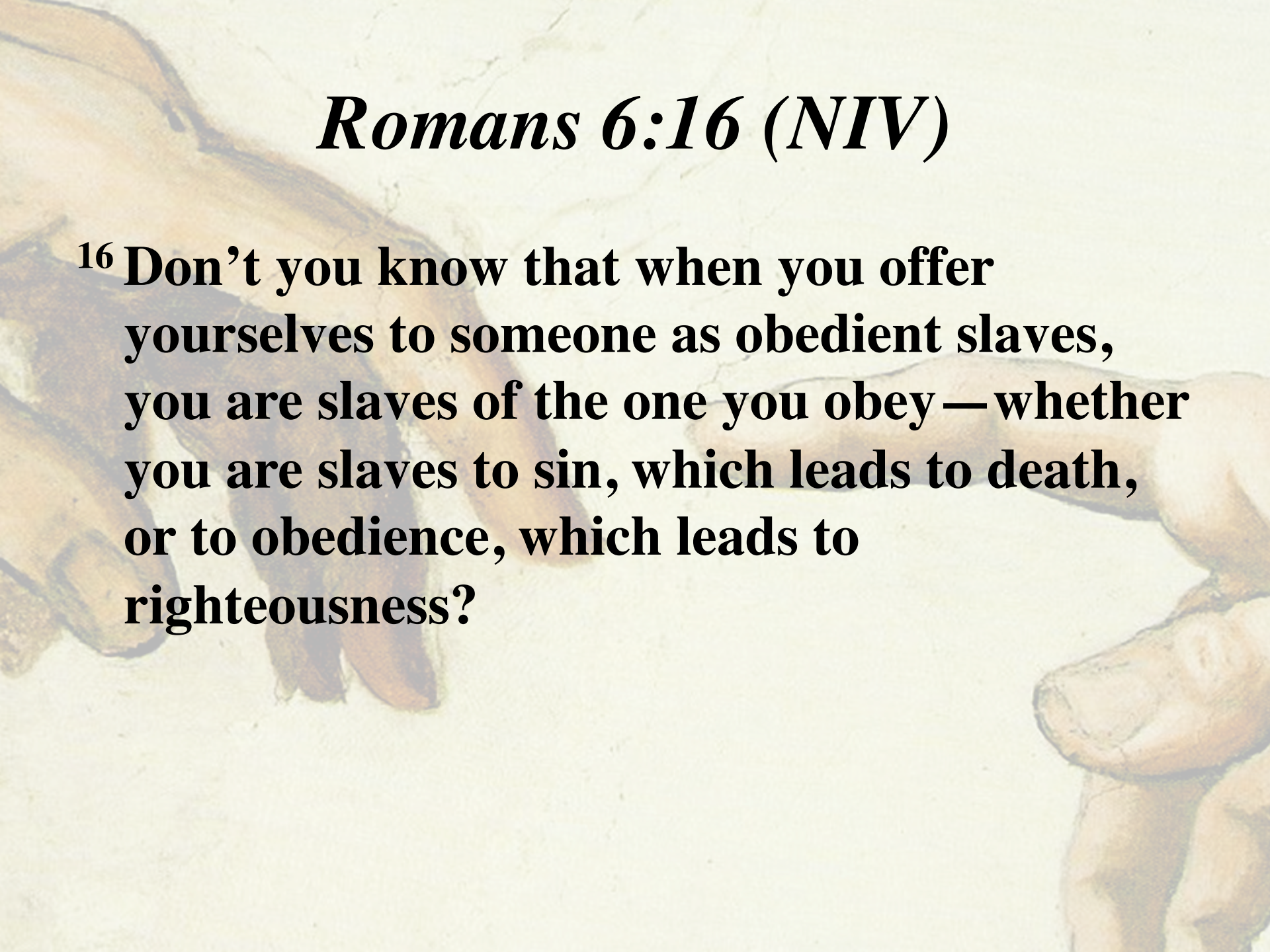


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## *Acts 21:13 (NIV)*

**<sup>13</sup> Then Paul answered, “Why are you weeping and breaking my heart? I am ready not only to be bound, but also to die in Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus.”**



The background of the slide features a faint, artistic illustration of two hands. One hand is on the left, with fingers slightly curled, and the other is on the right, with the index finger pointing towards the center. The style is soft and painterly, with warm, earthy tones. The text is overlaid on this background.

## ***Romans 6:16 (NIV)***

**<sup>16</sup> Don't you know that when you offer yourselves to someone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one you obey—whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience, which leads to righteousness?**



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## ***Deuteronomy 6:5 (NIV)***

**<sup>5</sup> Love the LORD your God with all your heart  
and with all your soul and with all your  
strength.**




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