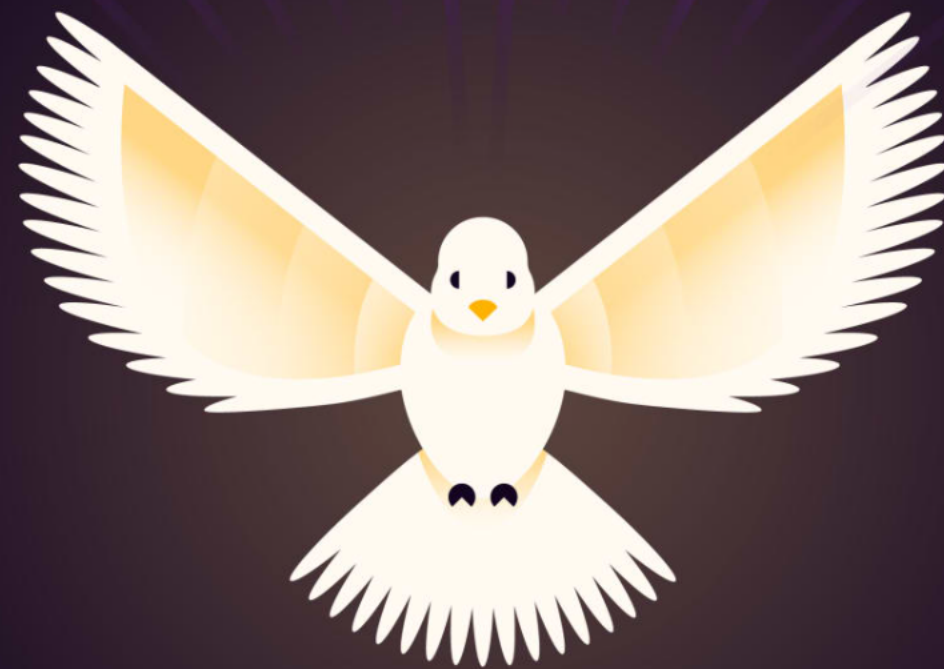




SCRIPTURE READING  
JOHN 12:20 – 36

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO



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**Follow the  
one who was  
lifted up**

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# Reconceptualize Jesus

## **John 12:32 – 33**

"And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself."  
He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.


## **John 12:34**

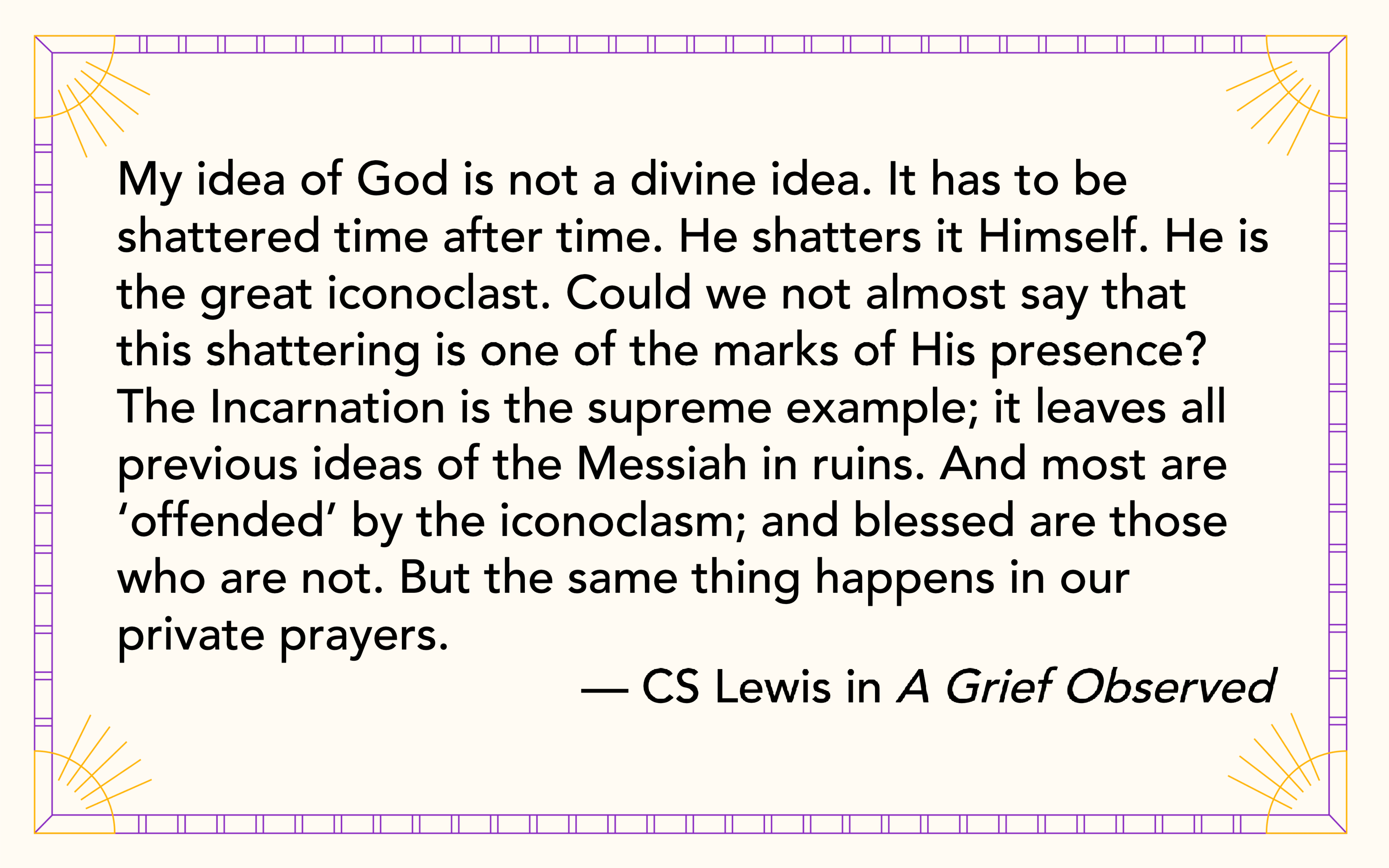
The crowd spoke up, "We have heard from the Law that the Messiah will remain forever, so how can you say, 'The Son of Man must be lifted up'? Who is this 'Son of Man'?"



## **John 12:35 – 36**

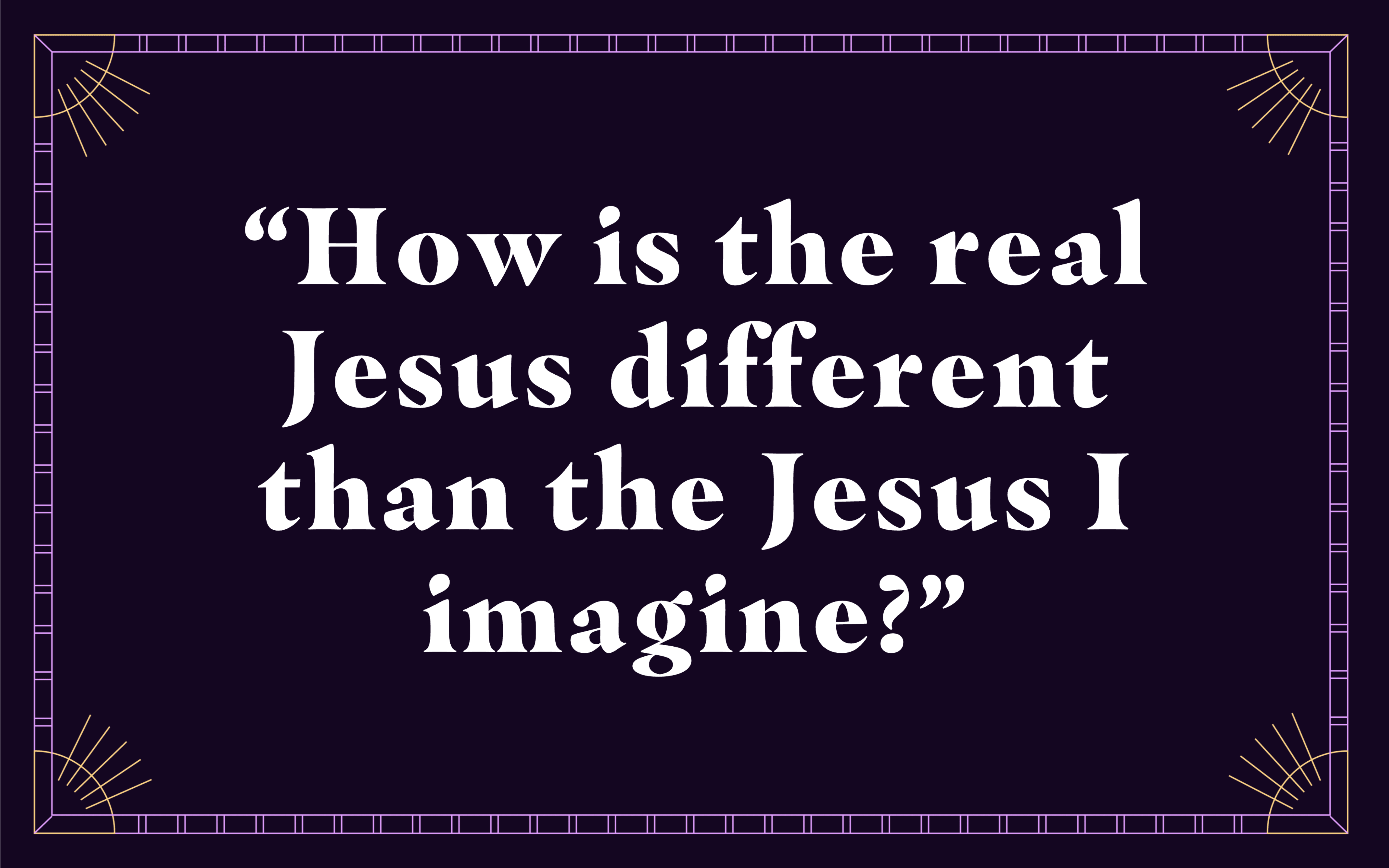
Then Jesus told them, "You are going to have the light just a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, before darkness overtakes you. Whoever walks in the dark does not know where they are going. Believe in the light while you have the light, so that you may become children of light." When he had finished speaking, Jesus left and hid himself from them.





My idea of God is not a divine idea. It has to be shattered time after time. He shatters it Himself. He is the great iconoclast. Could we not almost say that this shattering is one of the marks of His presence? The Incarnation is the supreme example; it leaves all previous ideas of the Messiah in ruins. And most are 'offended' by the iconoclasm; and blessed are those who are not. But the same thing happens in our private prayers.

— CS Lewis in *A Grief Observed*



**“How is the real  
Jesus different  
than the Jesus I  
imagine?”**

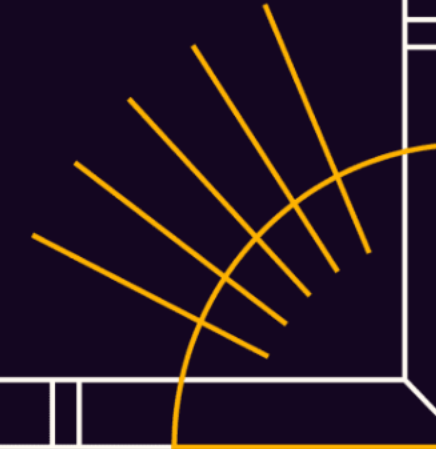

## **Isaiah 52:13**

**“See my servant will act wisely; he will be raised and lifted up and highly exalted.”**



## Isaiah 53:5

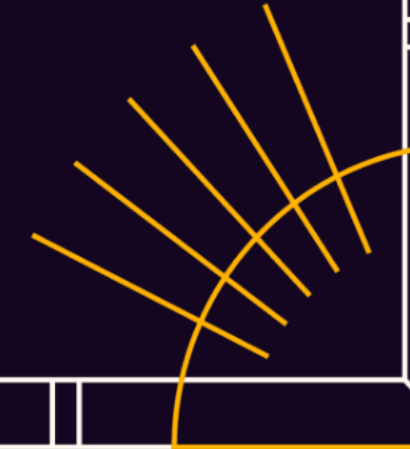
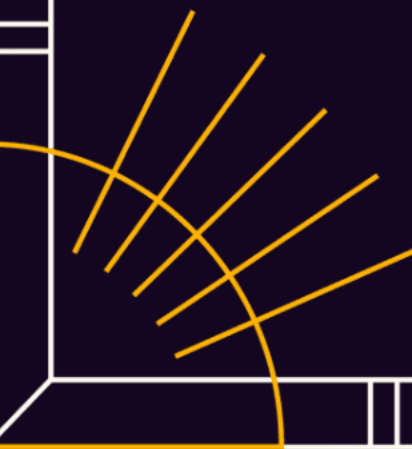
“But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.”





## Isaiah 53:8

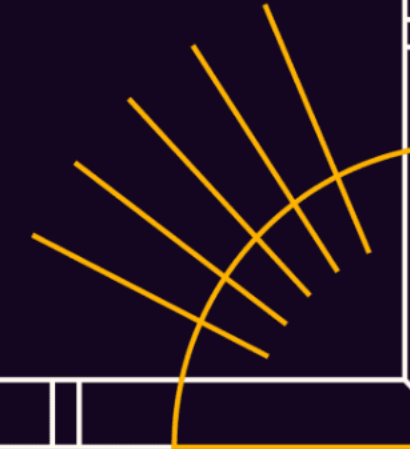
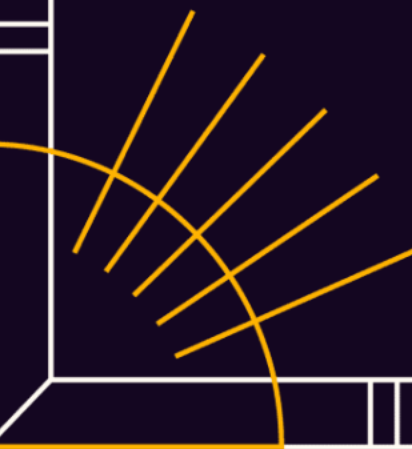
“By oppression and judgment he was taken away. Yet who of his generation protested? For he was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was punished.





## Isaiah 53:11

"After he has suffered, he will see the light of life and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities."



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Sacrifice  
your life



## John 12:23 – 26

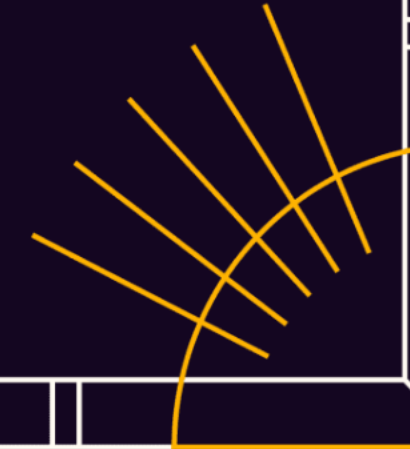
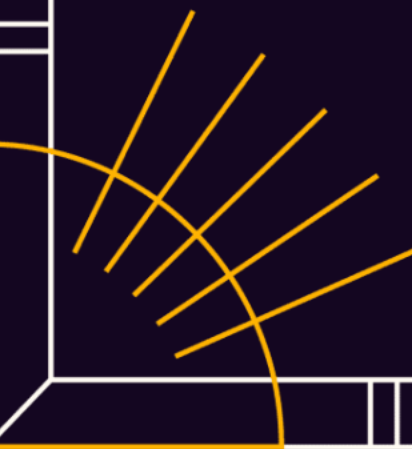
Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me."





## **Luke 14:26**

**"If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even their own life—such a person cannot be my disciple."**



## POINT 3

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**Become  
consumed with  
the glory of God**

## John 12:27 – 30

"Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name!" Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and will glorify it again." The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him. Jesus said, "This voice was for your benefit, not mine.

## **Luke 22:42**

**“Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done.”**



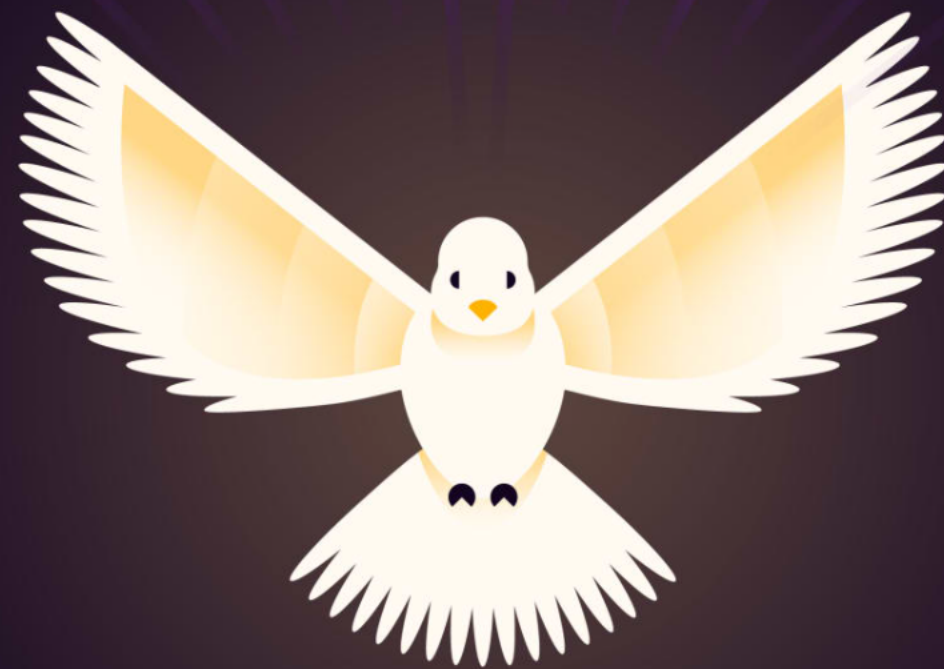






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