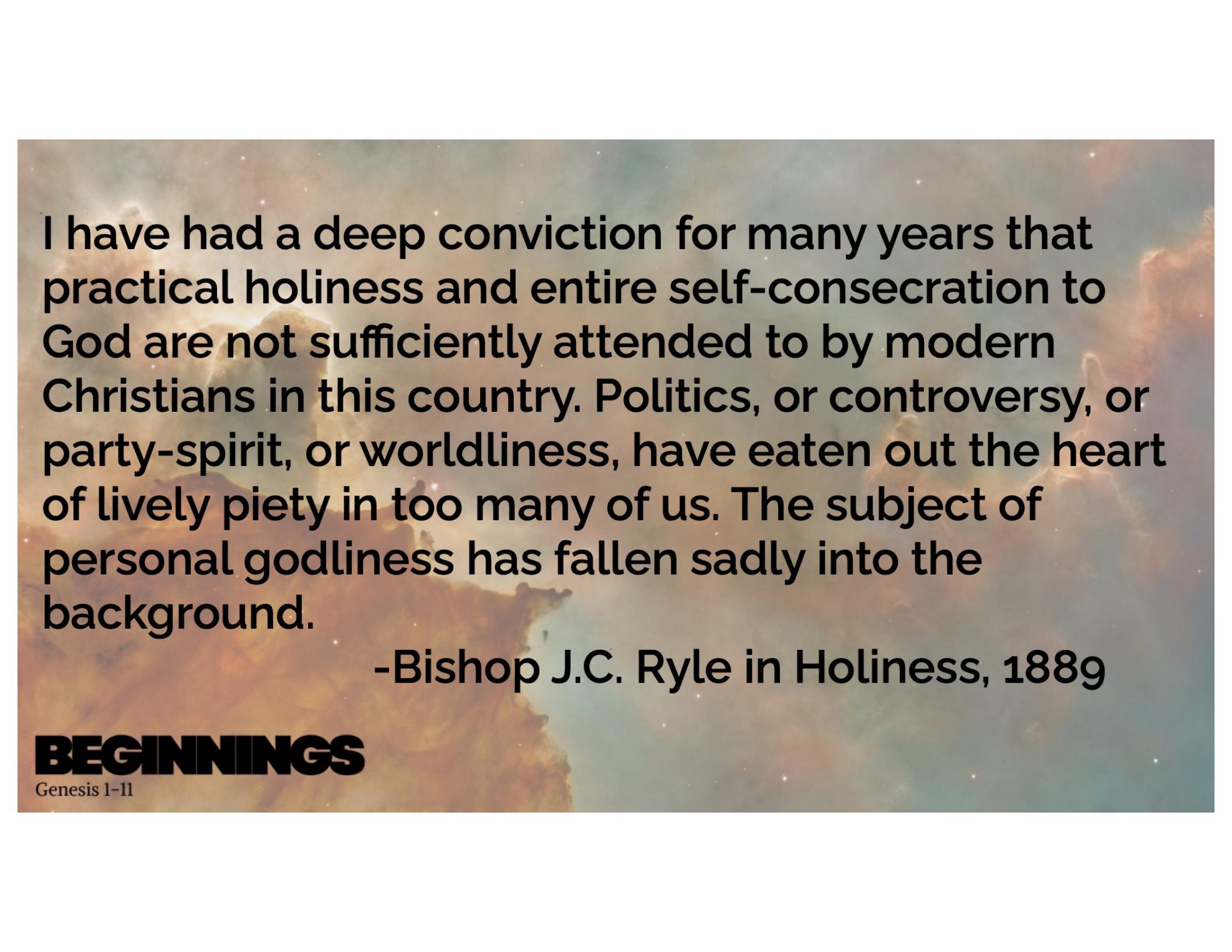


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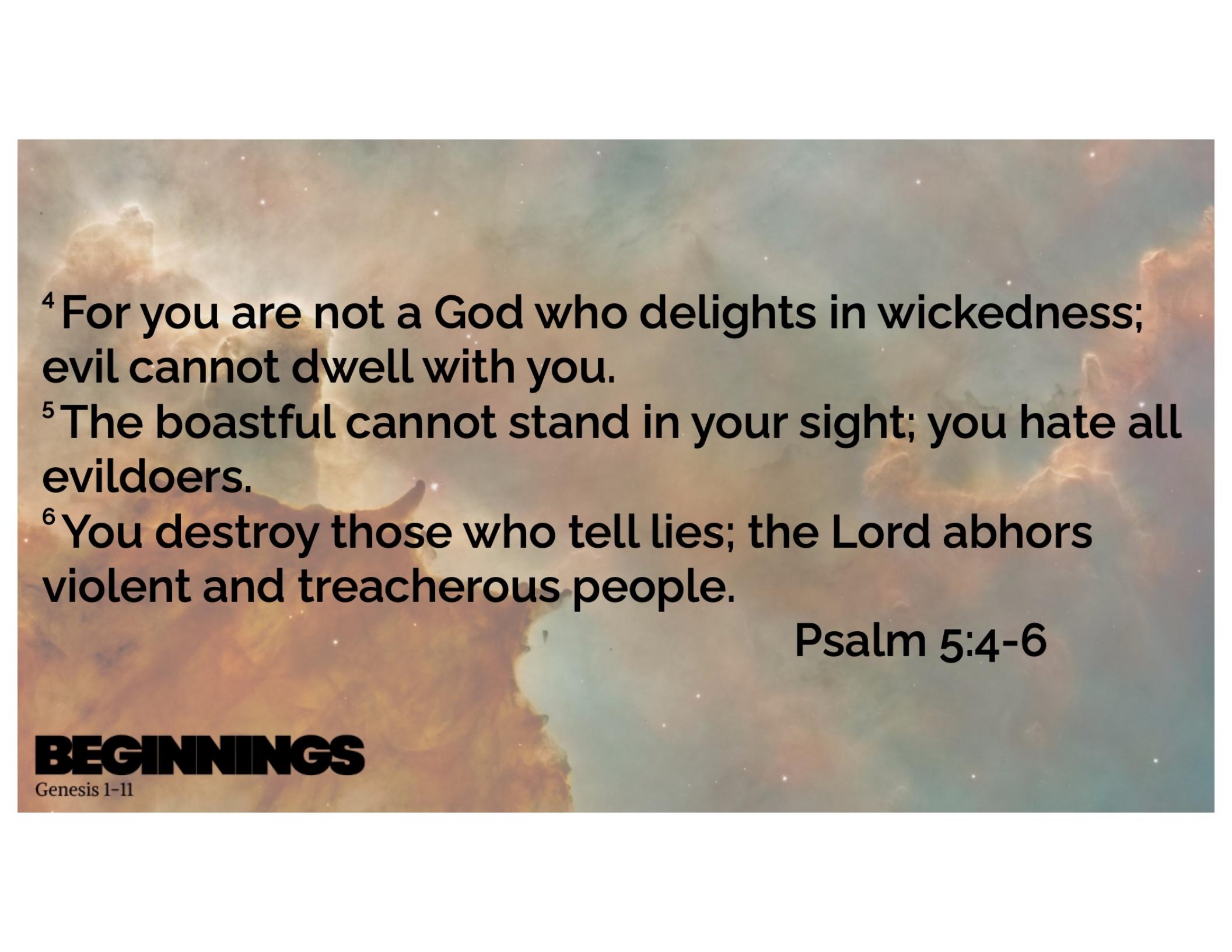


I have had a deep conviction for many years that practical holiness and entire self-consecration to God are not sufficiently attended to by modern Christians in this country. Politics, or controversy, or party-spirit, or worldliness, have eaten out the heart of lively piety in too many of us. The subject of personal godliness has fallen sadly into the background.

-Bishop J.C. Ryle in Holiness, 1889

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<sup>4</sup>For you are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil cannot dwell with you.

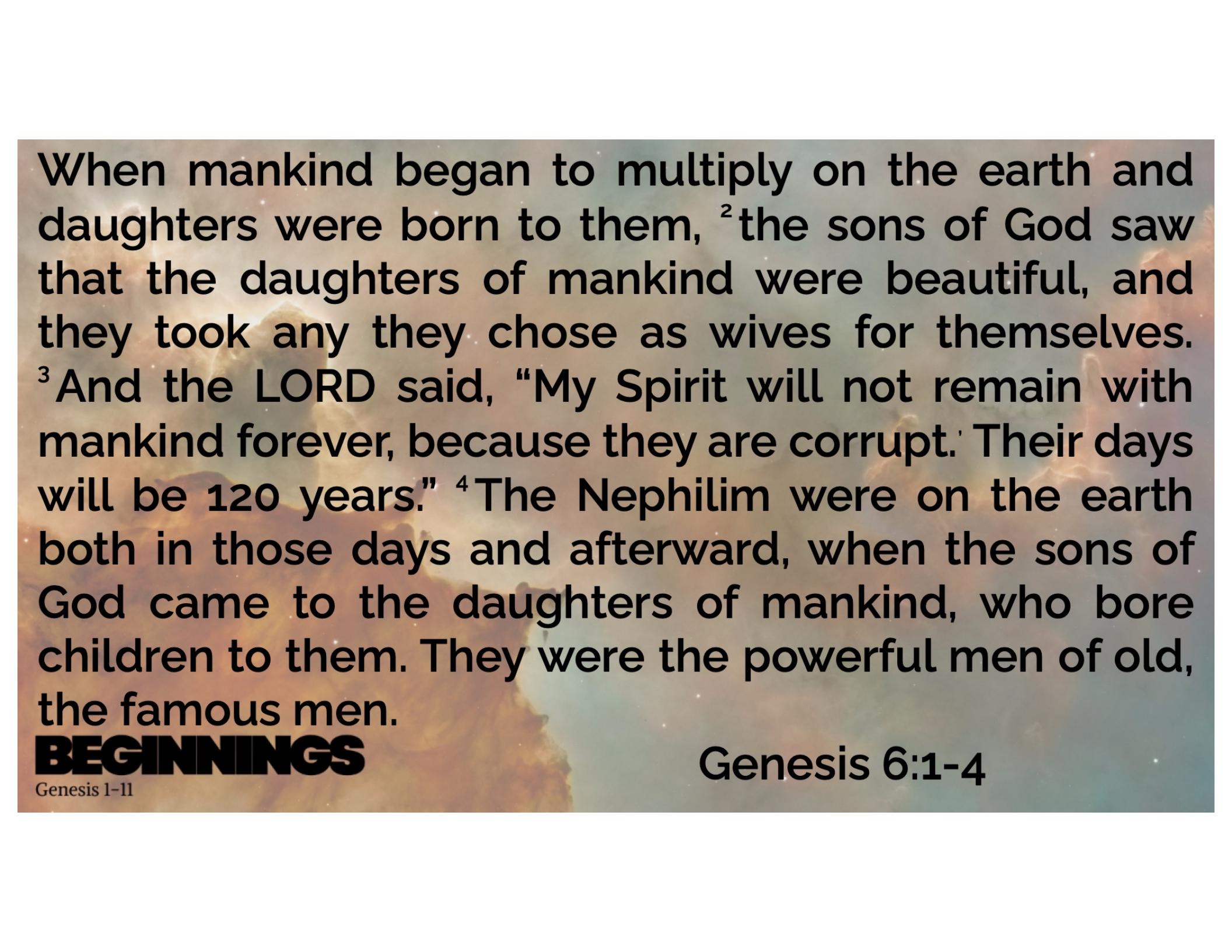
<sup>5</sup>The boastful cannot stand in your sight; you hate all evildoers.

<sup>6</sup>You destroy those who tell lies; the Lord abhors violent and treacherous people.

Psalm 5:4-6

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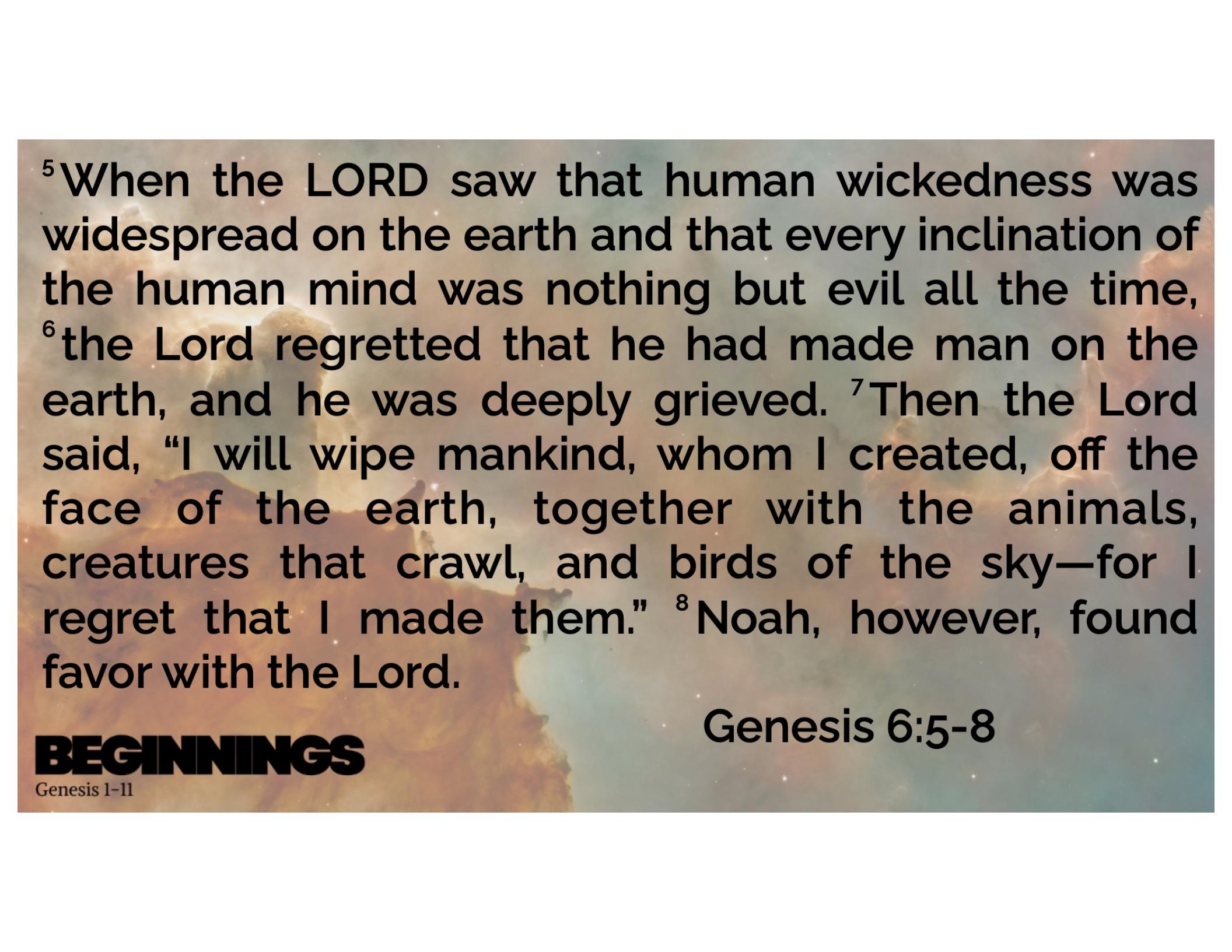


When mankind began to multiply on the earth and daughters were born to them,<sup>2</sup> the sons of God saw that the daughters of mankind were beautiful, and they took any they chose as wives for themselves.<sup>3</sup> And the LORD said, “My Spirit will not remain with mankind forever, because they are corrupt. Their days will be 120 years.”<sup>4</sup> The Nephilim were on the earth both in those days and afterward, when the sons of God came to the daughters of mankind, who bore children to them. They were the powerful men of old, the famous men.

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Genesis 6:1-4



<sup>5</sup>When the LORD saw that human wickedness was widespread on the earth and that every inclination of the human mind was nothing but evil all the time,  
<sup>6</sup>the Lord regretted that he had made man on the earth, and he was deeply grieved. <sup>7</sup>Then the Lord said, “I will wipe mankind, whom I created, off the face of the earth, together with the animals, creatures that crawl, and birds of the sky—for I regret that I made them.” <sup>8</sup>Noah, however, found favor with the Lord.

Genesis 6:5-8

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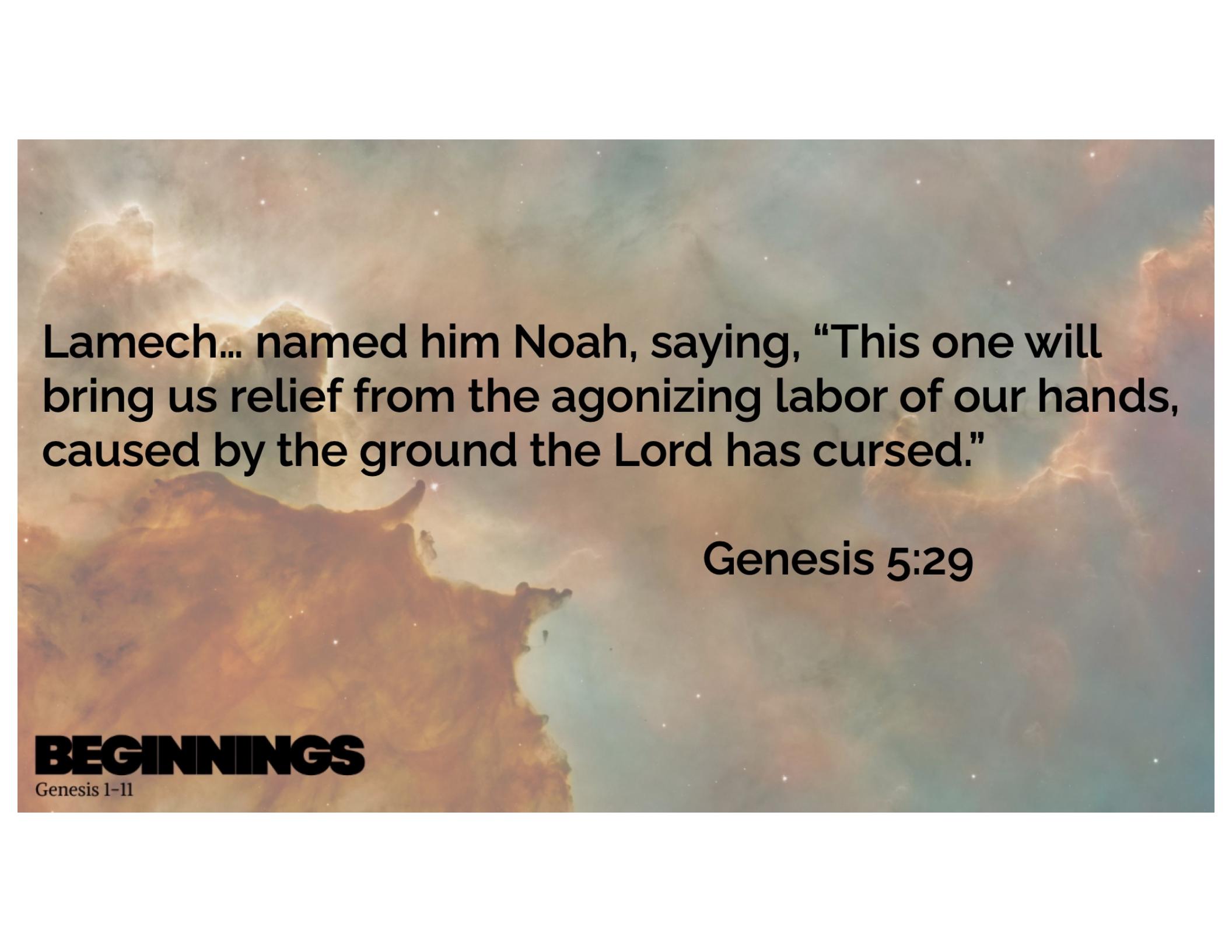
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**Sin corrupts the whole person of all people.**

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Lamech... named him Noah, saying, "This one will bring us relief from the agonizing labor of our hands, caused by the ground the Lord has cursed."

Genesis 5:29

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**“This one will bring us relief (comfort) from our labor (making/doing), the agonizing (grievous) labor of our hands...”**

**Yahweh desired relief since the work of His hands (making/doing) caused Him great grief.**

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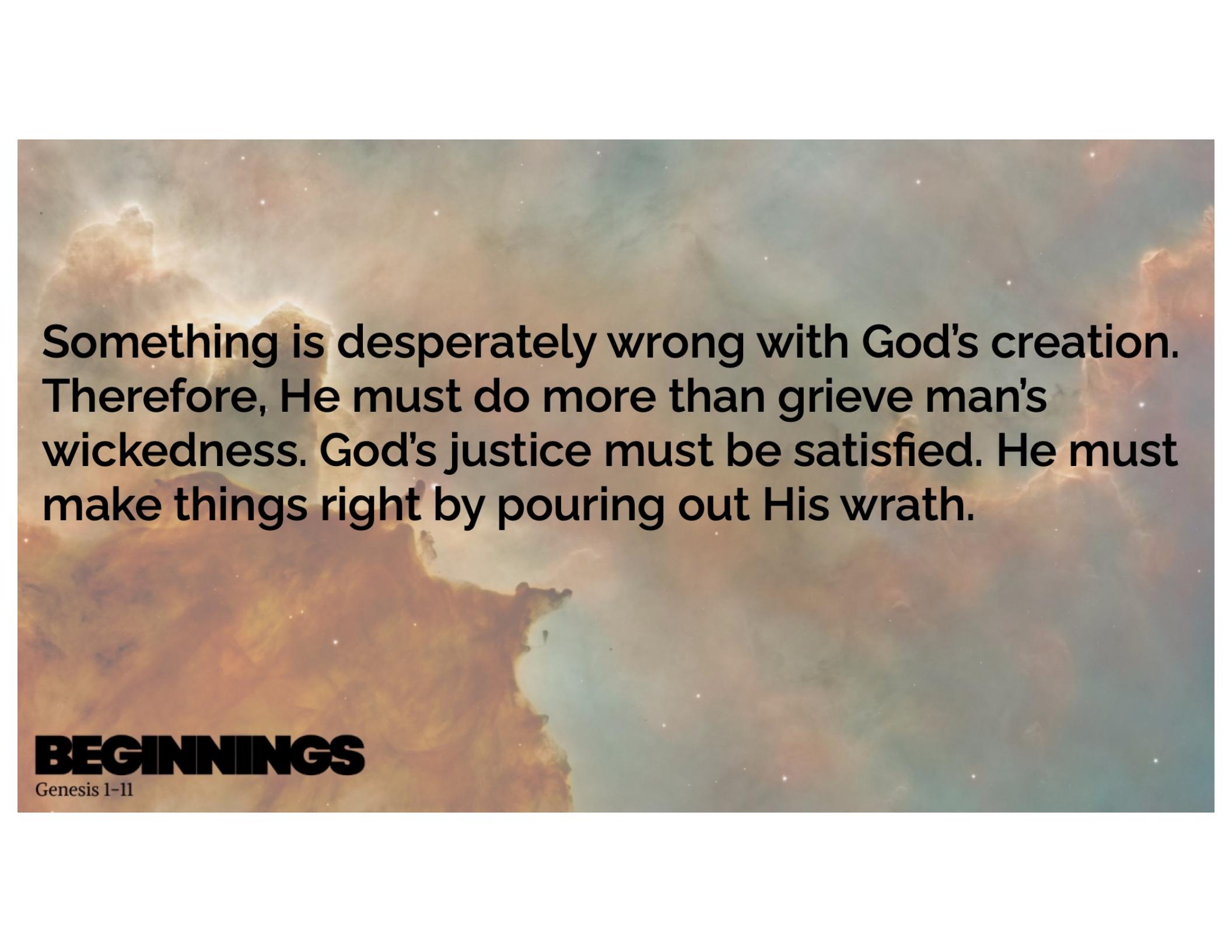


Even when I go through the darkest valley, I fear no danger, for you are with me; your rod and your staff—  
they comfort me.

Psalm 23:4

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Something is desperately wrong with God's creation. Therefore, He must do more than grieve man's wickedness. God's justice must be satisfied. He must make things right by pouring out His wrath.

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The Lord said, “My Spirit will not remain with mankind forever, because they are corrupt...”

Genesis 6:3

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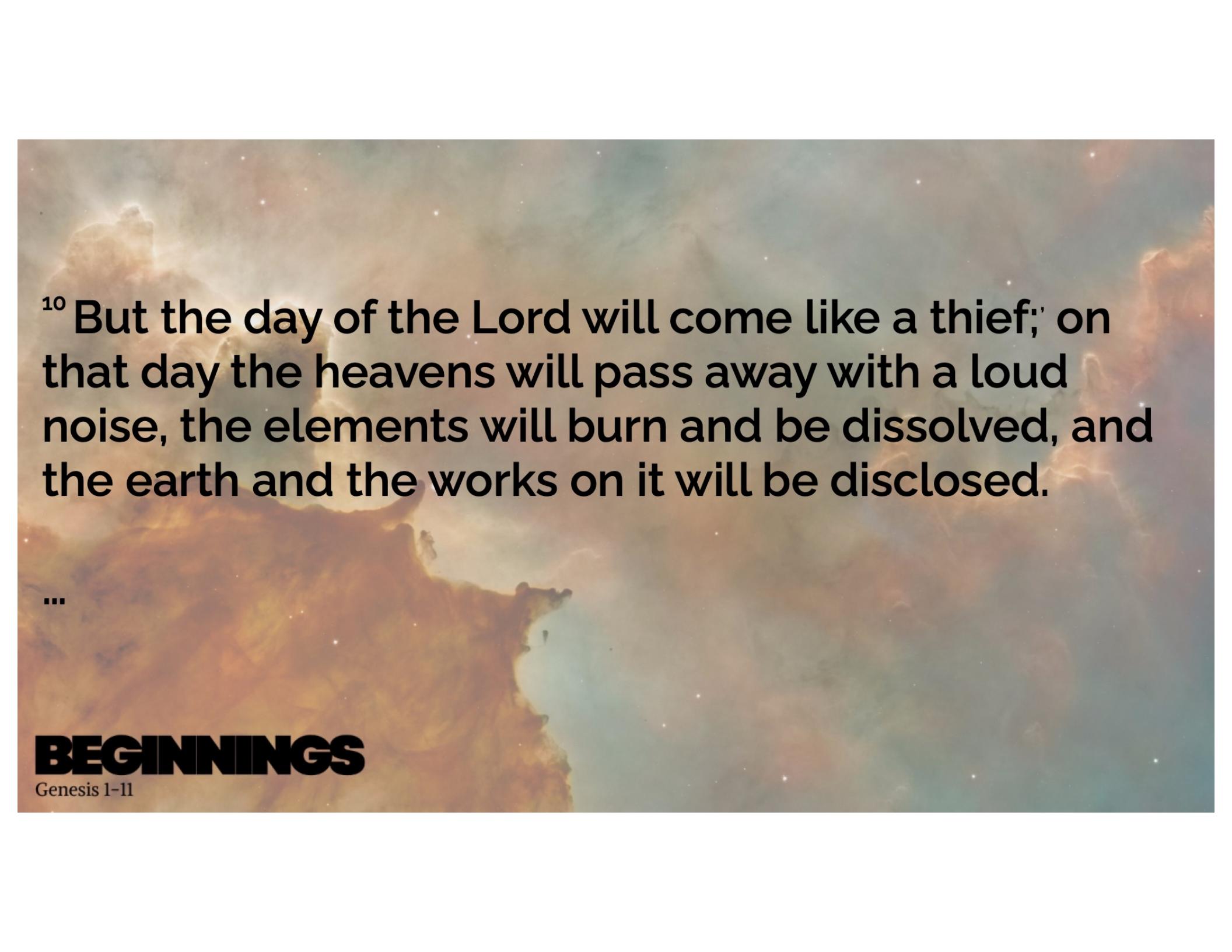


Noah, however, found favor with the LORD.

Genesis 6:8

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<sup>10</sup> But the day of the Lord will come like a thief; on that day the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, the elements will burn and be dissolved, and the earth and the works on it will be disclosed.

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<sup>11</sup>Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, it is clear what sort of people you should be in holy conduct and godliness <sup>12</sup>as you wait for the day of God and hasten its coming. Because of that day, the heavens will be dissolved with fire and the elements will melt with heat. <sup>13</sup>But based on his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness dwells.

2 Peter 3:10-13

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