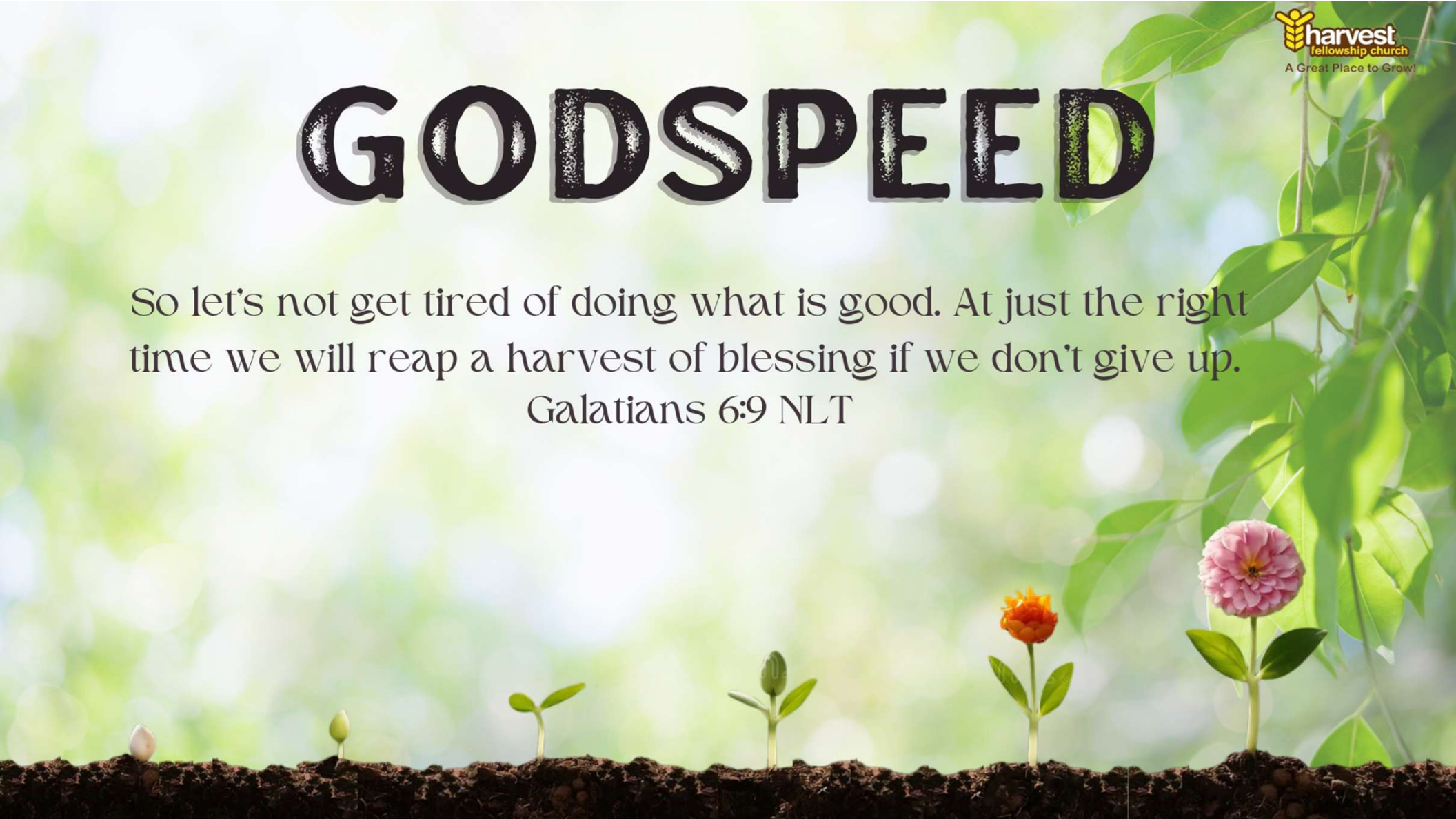


GODSPEED

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Galatians 6:9 NLT

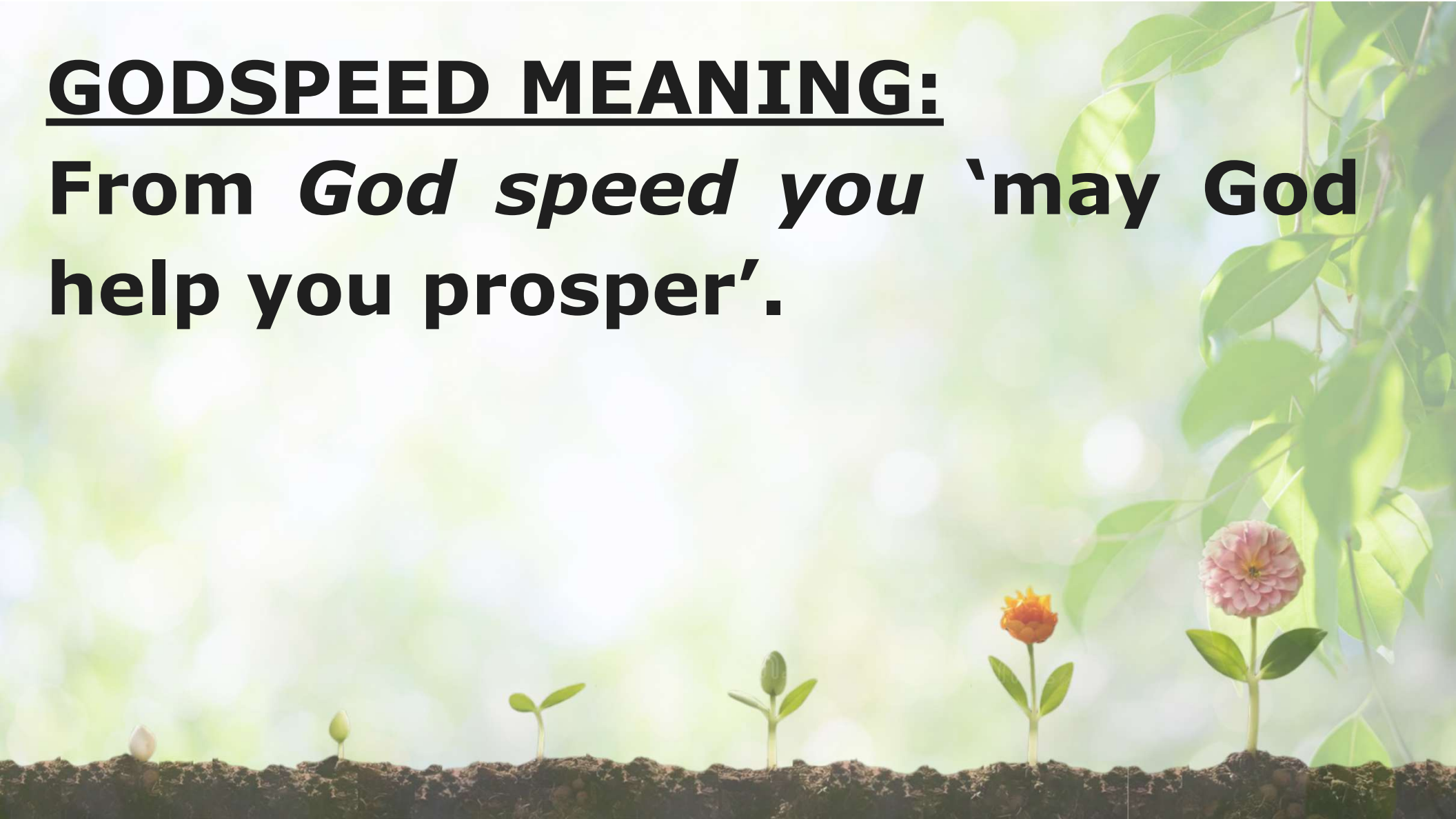


- Turn to Amos 9 and Mark 4.
- **Fuel The Fire** - 2 weeks ago.
February 28 & March 1. Dusty & Betty came.

This is a message about how the Kingdom of God works in our lives. Look at someone and say - "The Kingdom of God is within you!" **Luke 17:21**

GODSPEED MEANING:

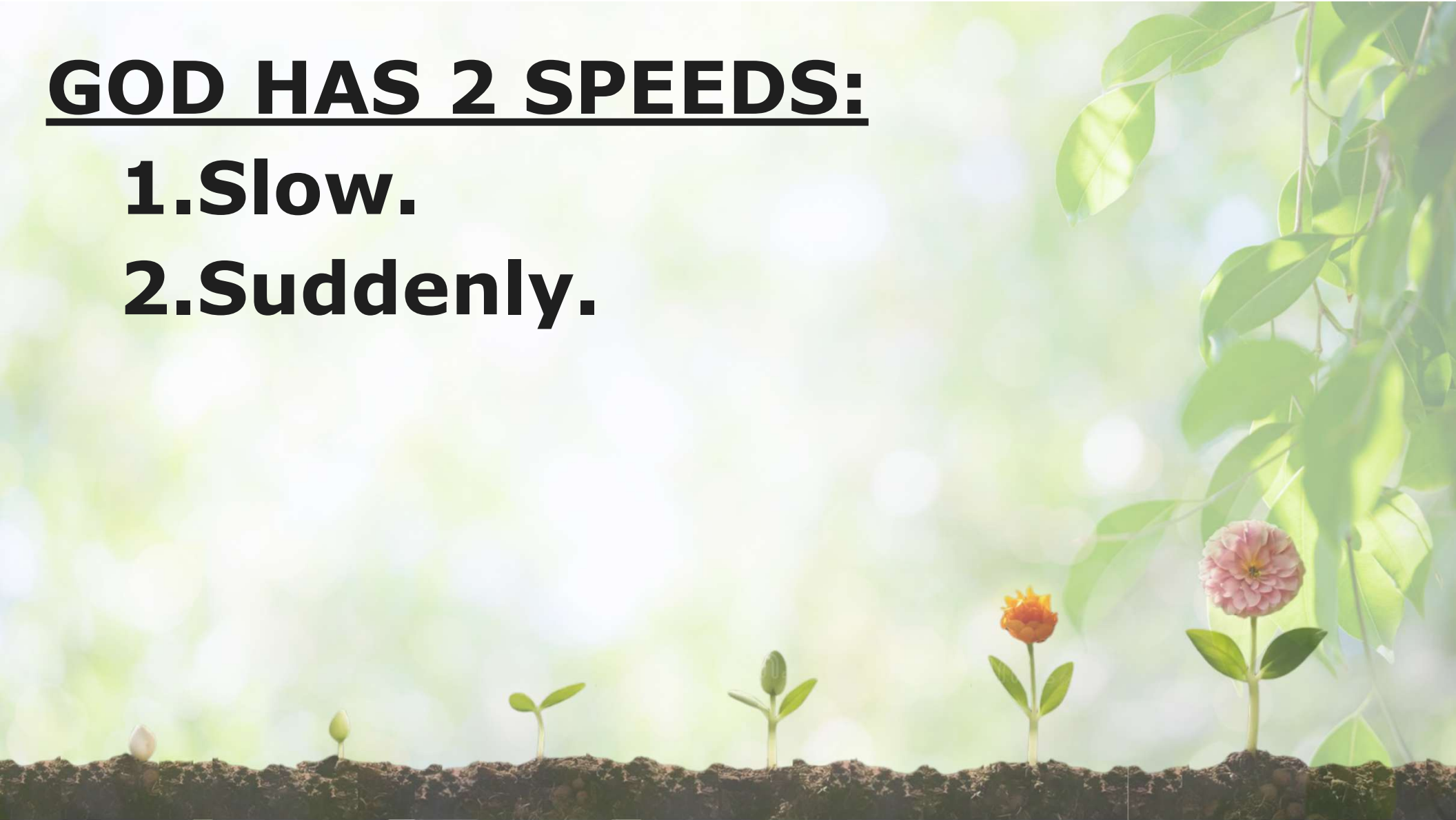
From *God speed* you 'may God help you prosper'.



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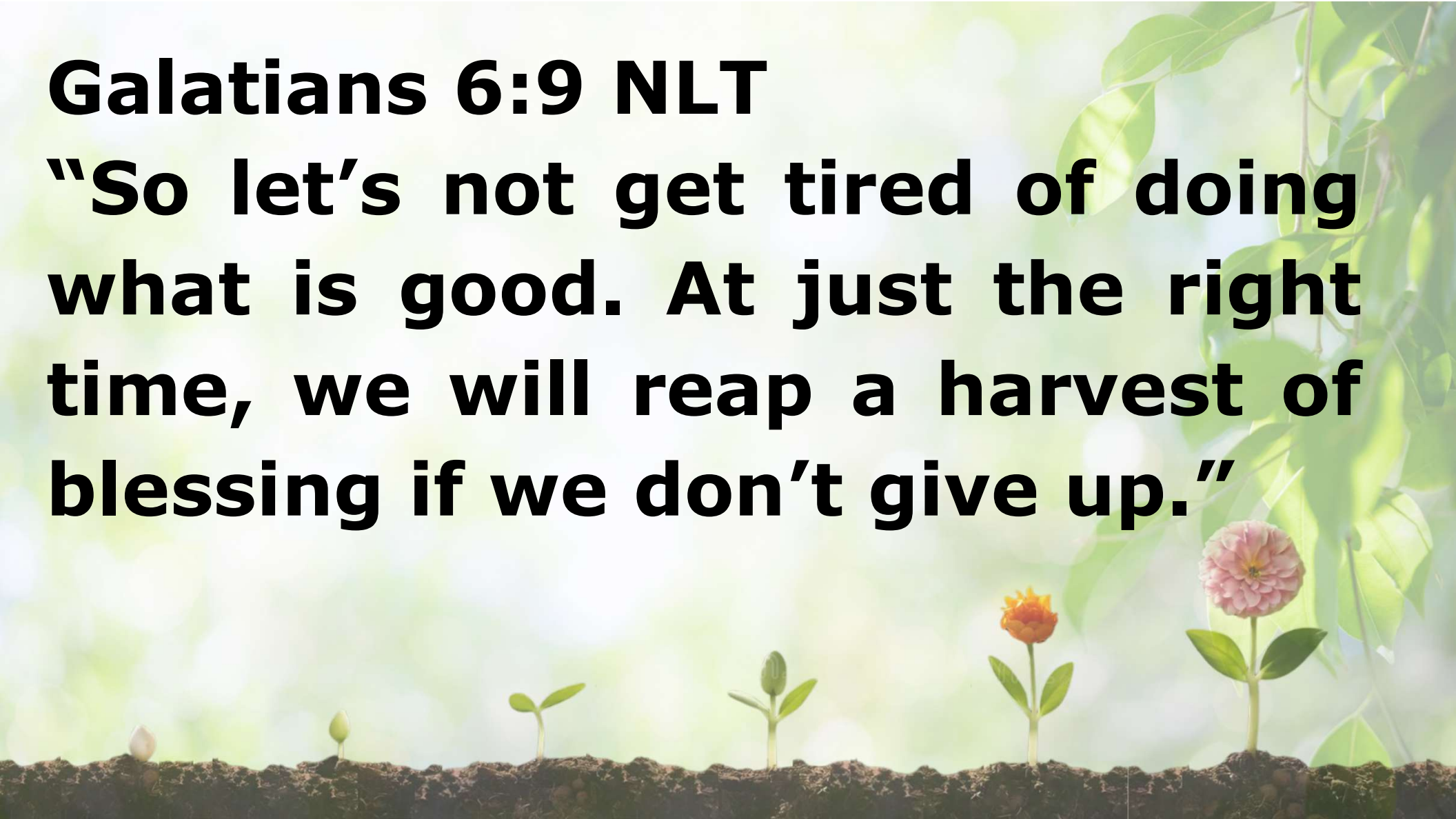
1.Slow.

2.Suddenly.



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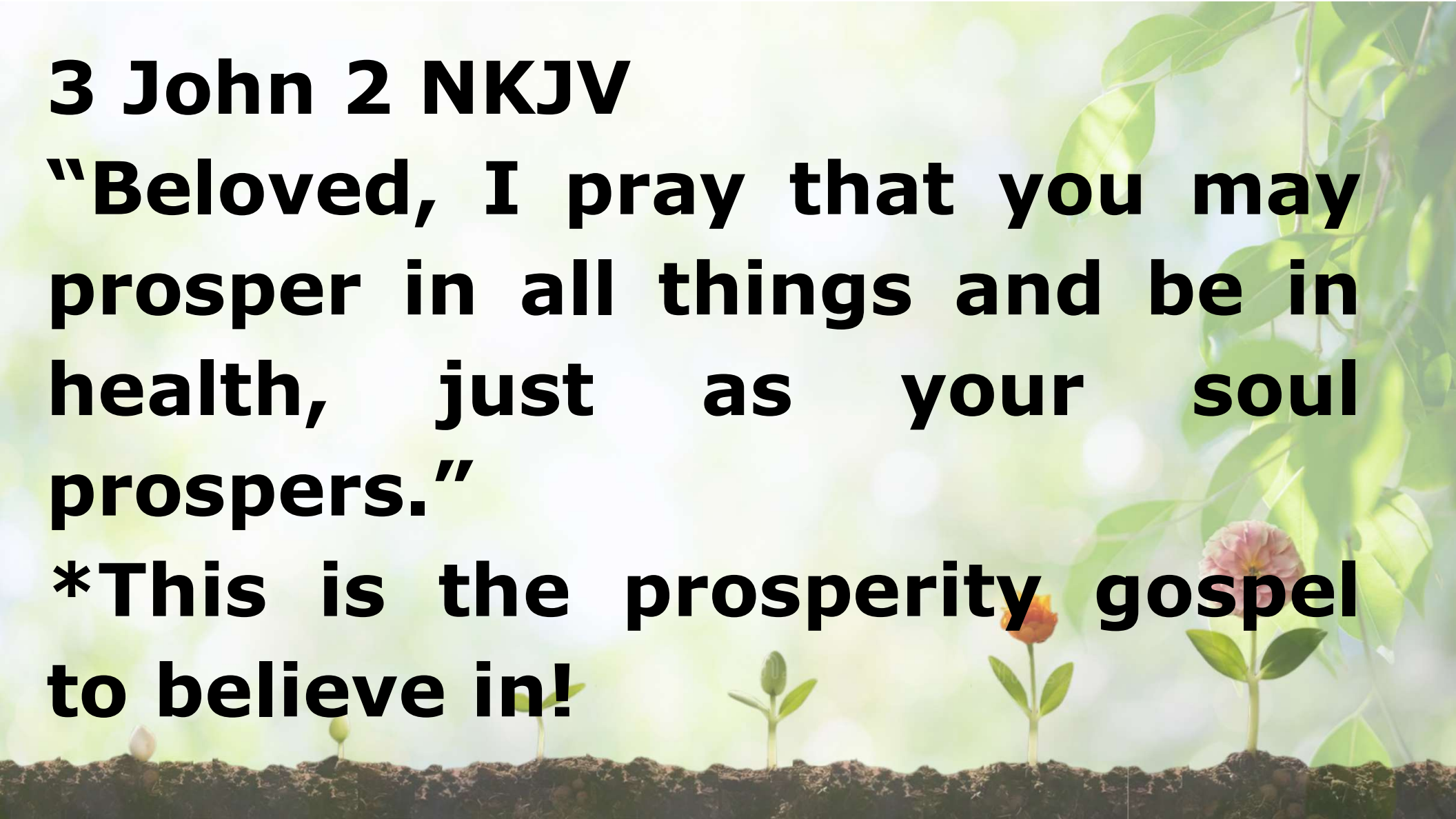


***BIG IDEA - God suddenlies get all of the glory and credit! But God is in the slow seasons, the gradual seasons, the waiting seasons, and the dry and barren seasons! Not just the suddenlies and harvest times!**

3 John 2 NKJV

“Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers.”

***This is the prosperity gospel to believe in!**



The Prosperity Gospel that gets in the ditch misinterprets Scripture, doesn't talk about suffering, and exploits the poor.

***Distortion of Faith:** The Prosperity Gospel teaches that faith is a tool to achieve wealth and success, reducing faith to a mere means of getting what you want. **Biblical faith,** however, is about trust in God's character and promises, regardless of material circumstances. The true Christian life is not about achieving worldly success but living in alignment with God's will, which often involves sacrifice, service, and humility.

The New Testament consistently emphasizes spiritual blessings, not material ones, as the true rewards of following Christ. The pursuit of wealth was not central to the early Christian faith.

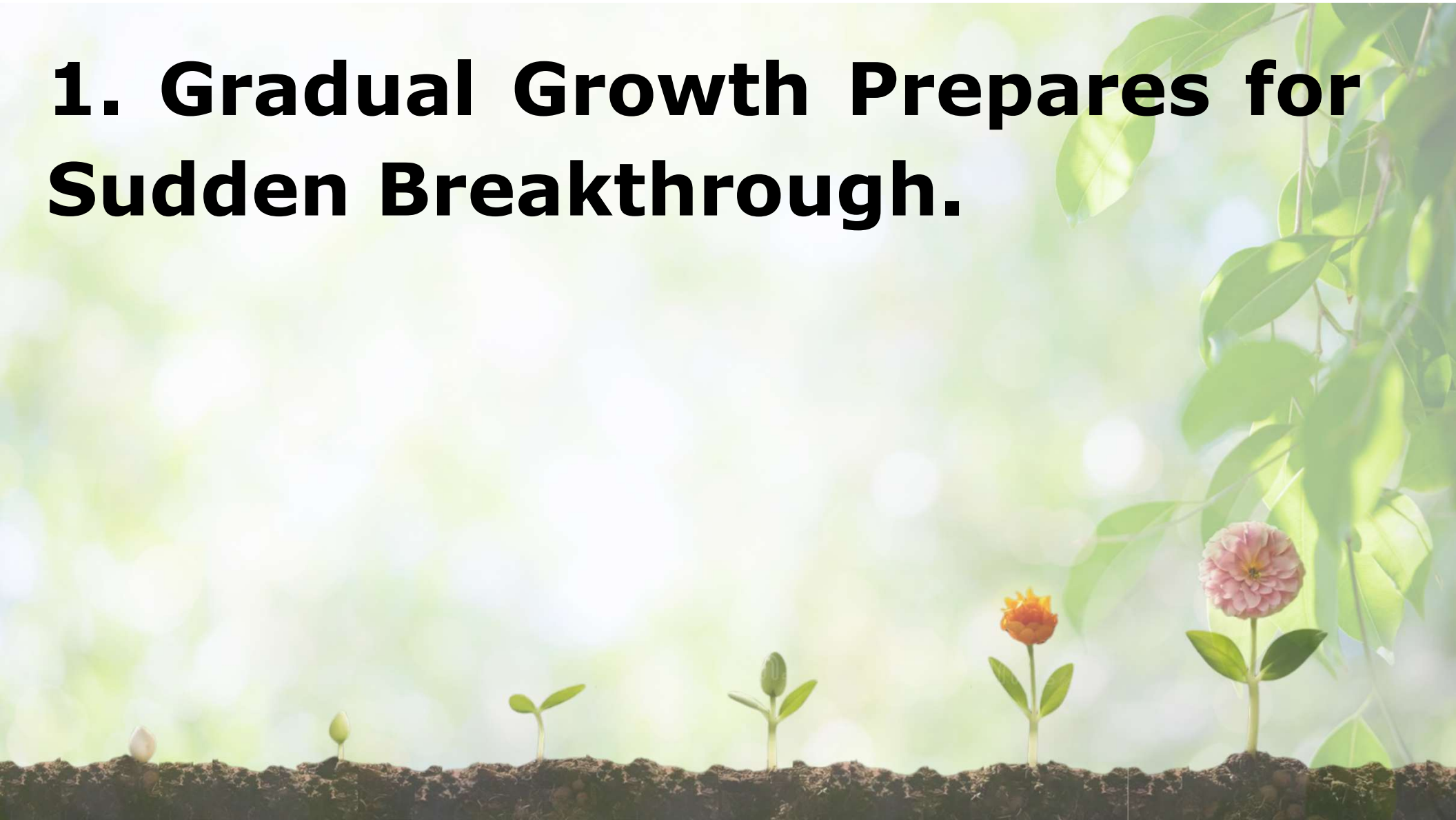
***God is in the gradual and the waiting!**

Abraham and Sarah waited 25 years for a son. Jacob waited 14 years to marry Rachel. Moses waited 40 years in the wilderness before God called him to lead the Israelites out of Egypt.

It took approximately 22 years for Joseph to realize the dream God gave him. That period of time included being thrown into a pit by his brothers, sold into slavery by his brothers, servant in Potiphar's house, wrongfully accused by Potiphar's wife and put into prison before finally reaching the Palace and becoming the Prime Minister of Egypt.

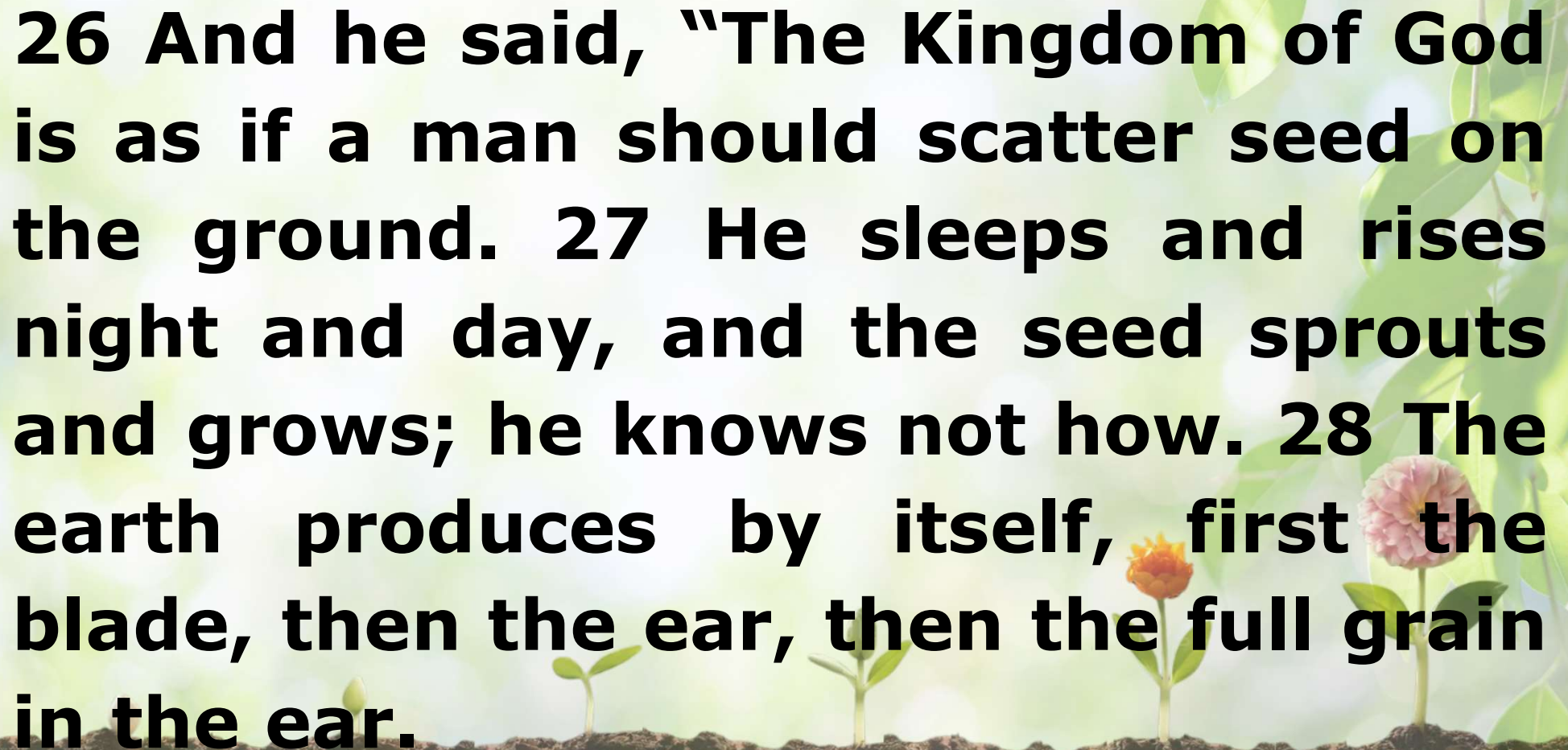
According to the Book of Esther, Esther waited one year before becoming Queen, as this was the preparation period all young women selected to be the King's wife underwent, including beauty treatments and training, before being presented to the King.

1. Gradual Growth Prepares for Sudden Breakthrough.

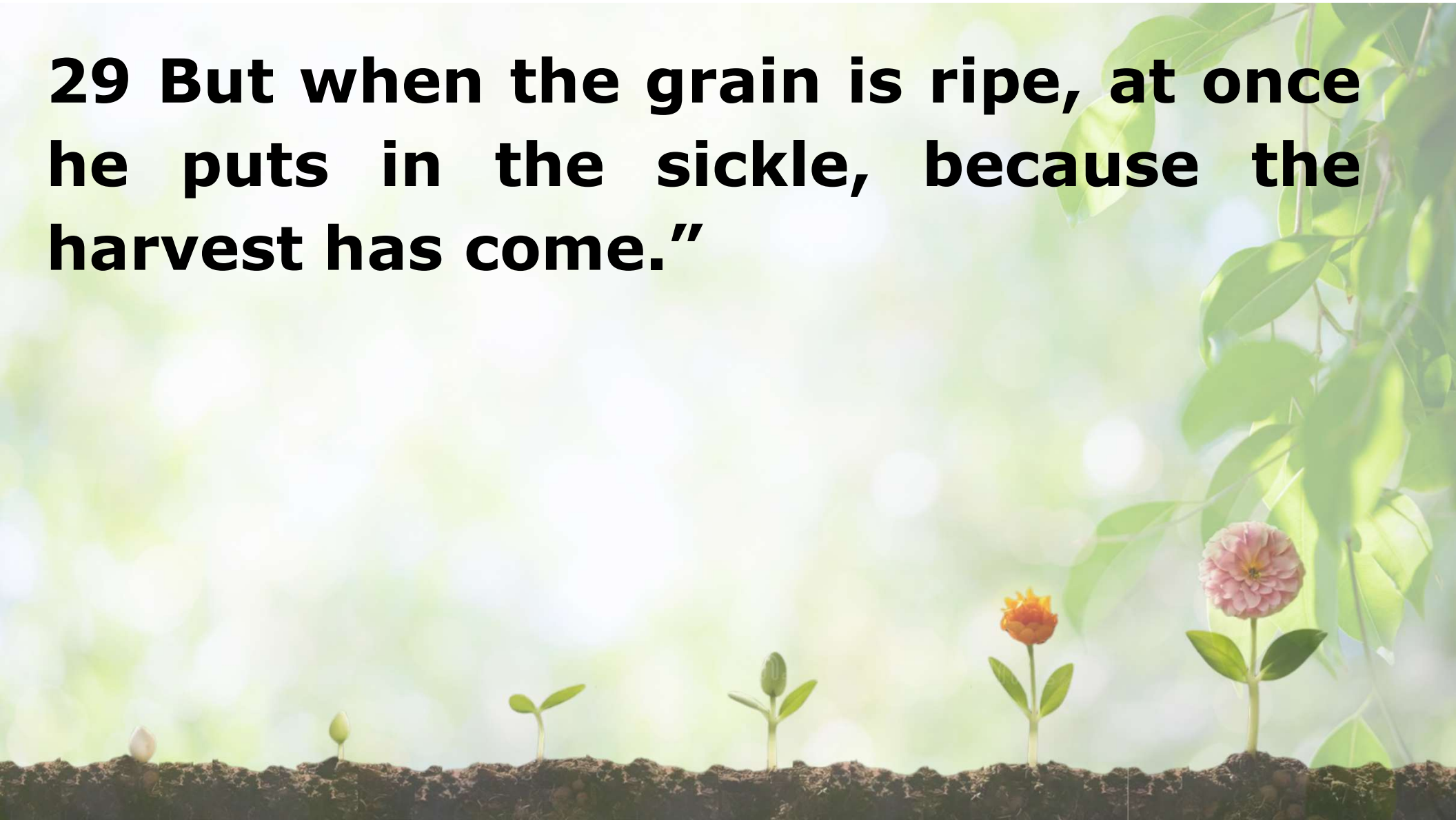


Mark 4:26-29 ESV

26 And he said, "The Kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. 27 He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. 28 The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear.



29 But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."




This encourages us to stay faithful in the gradual process, trusting that God will bring about sudden breakthroughs in His time.

2. Gradual Waiting Prepares for Sudden Change.

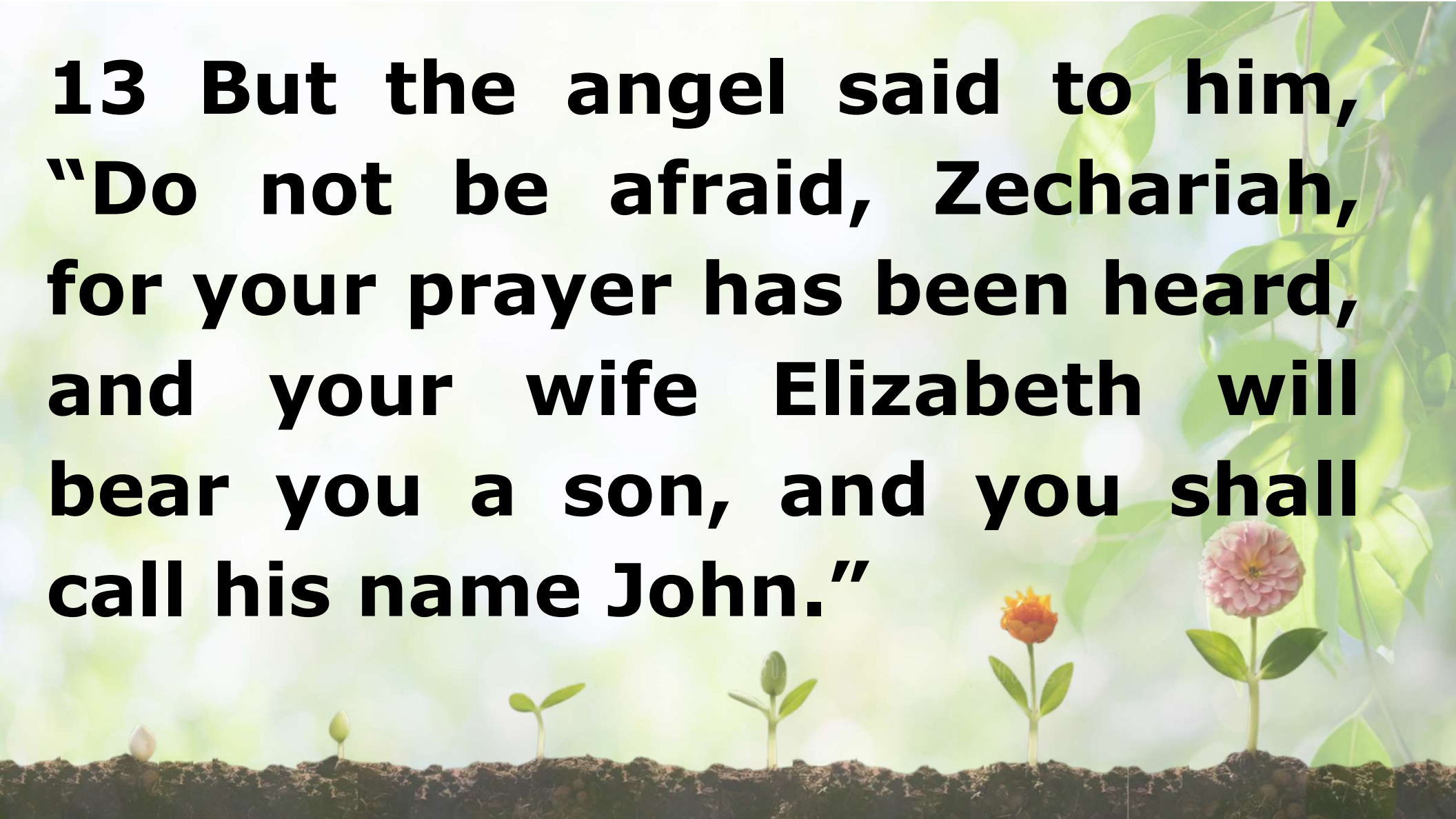


Luke 1:11-13 ESV

11 And there appeared to him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the altar of incense. 12 And Zechariah was troubled when he saw him, and fear fell upon him.

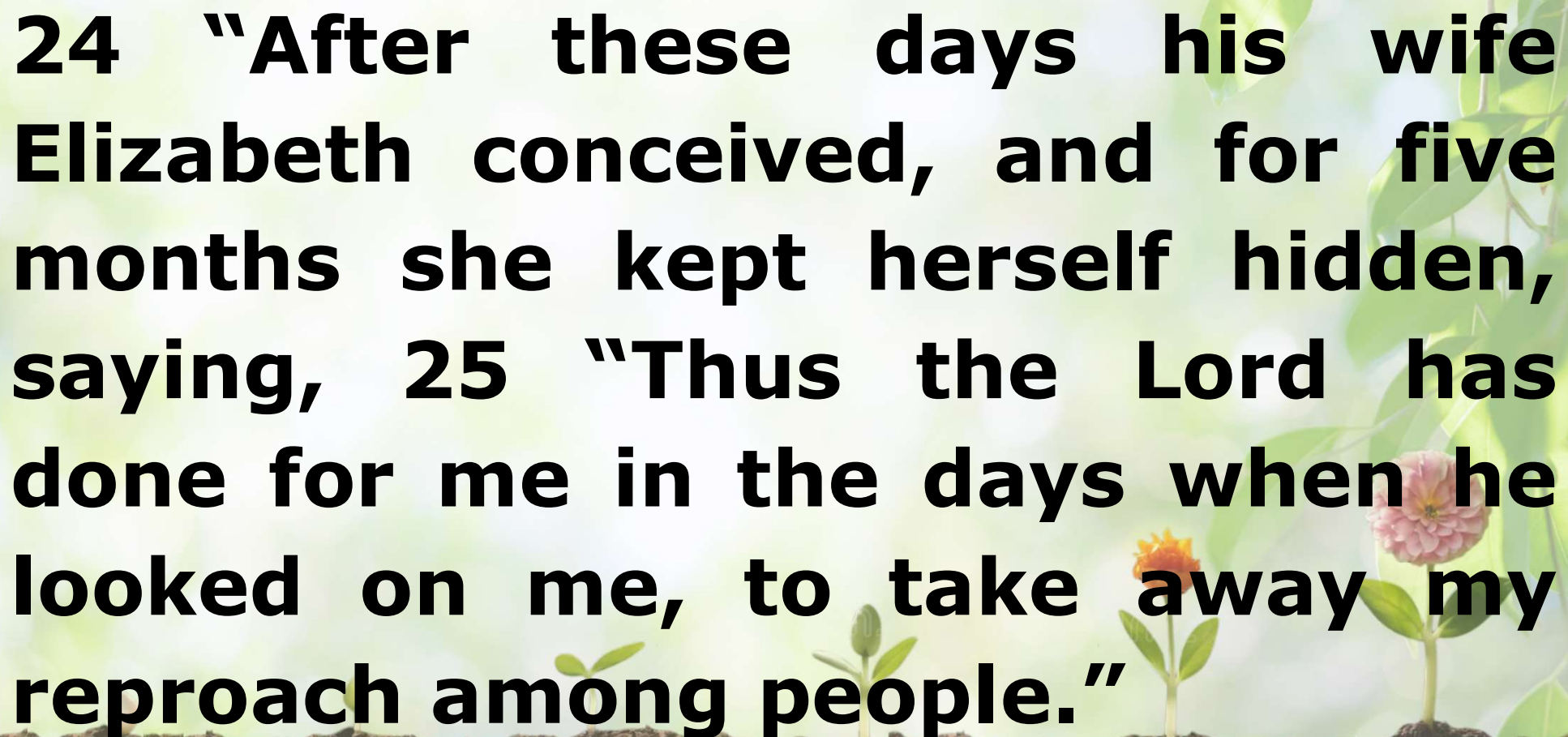


**13 But the angel said to him,
“Do not be afraid, Zechariah,
for your prayer has been heard,
and your wife Elizabeth will
bear you a son, and you shall
call his name John.”**



Luke 1:24-25 ESV

24 “After these days his wife Elizabeth conceived, and for five months she kept herself hidden, saying, 25 “Thus the Lord has done for me in the days when he looked on me, to take away my reproach among people.”

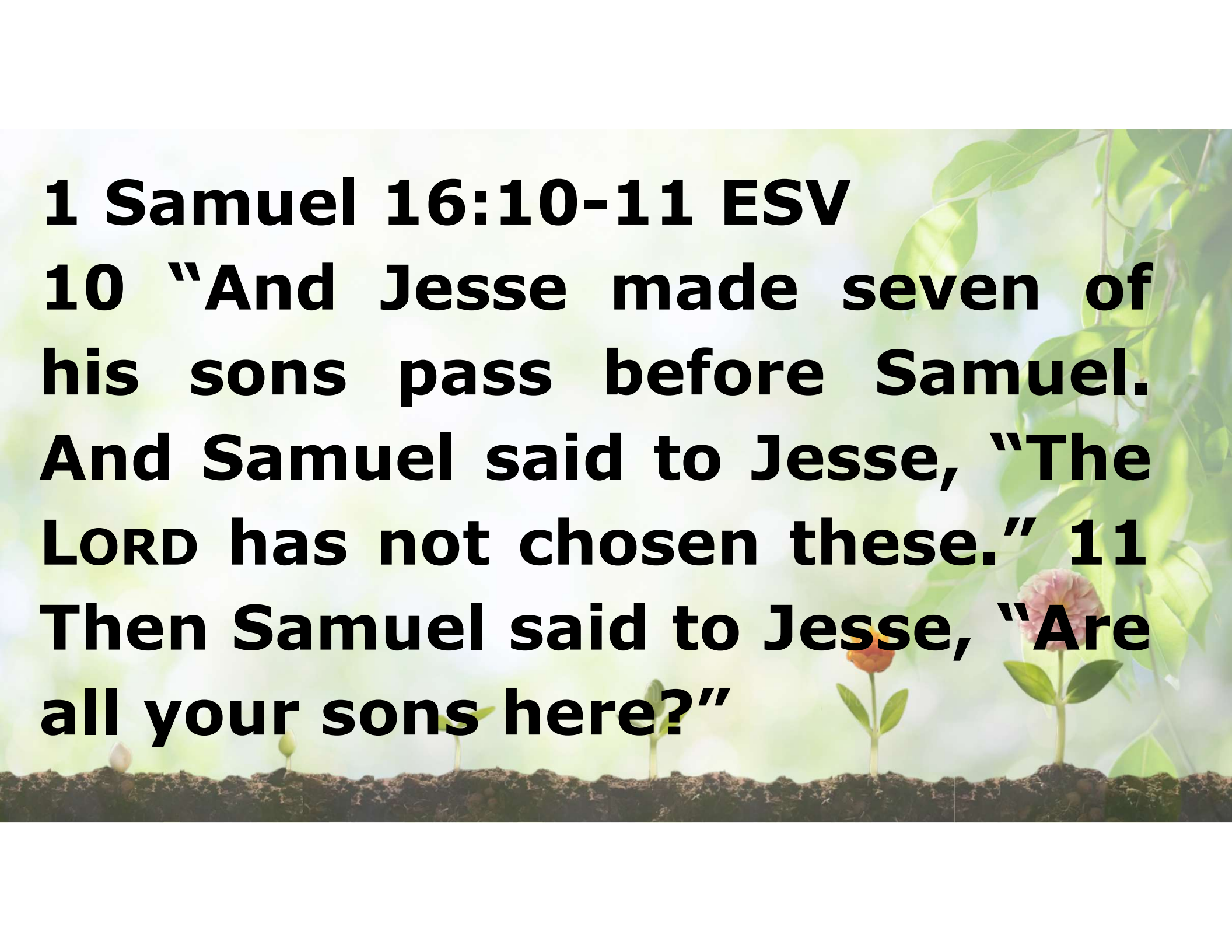


3. Gradual Preparation Leads to Sudden Promotion.

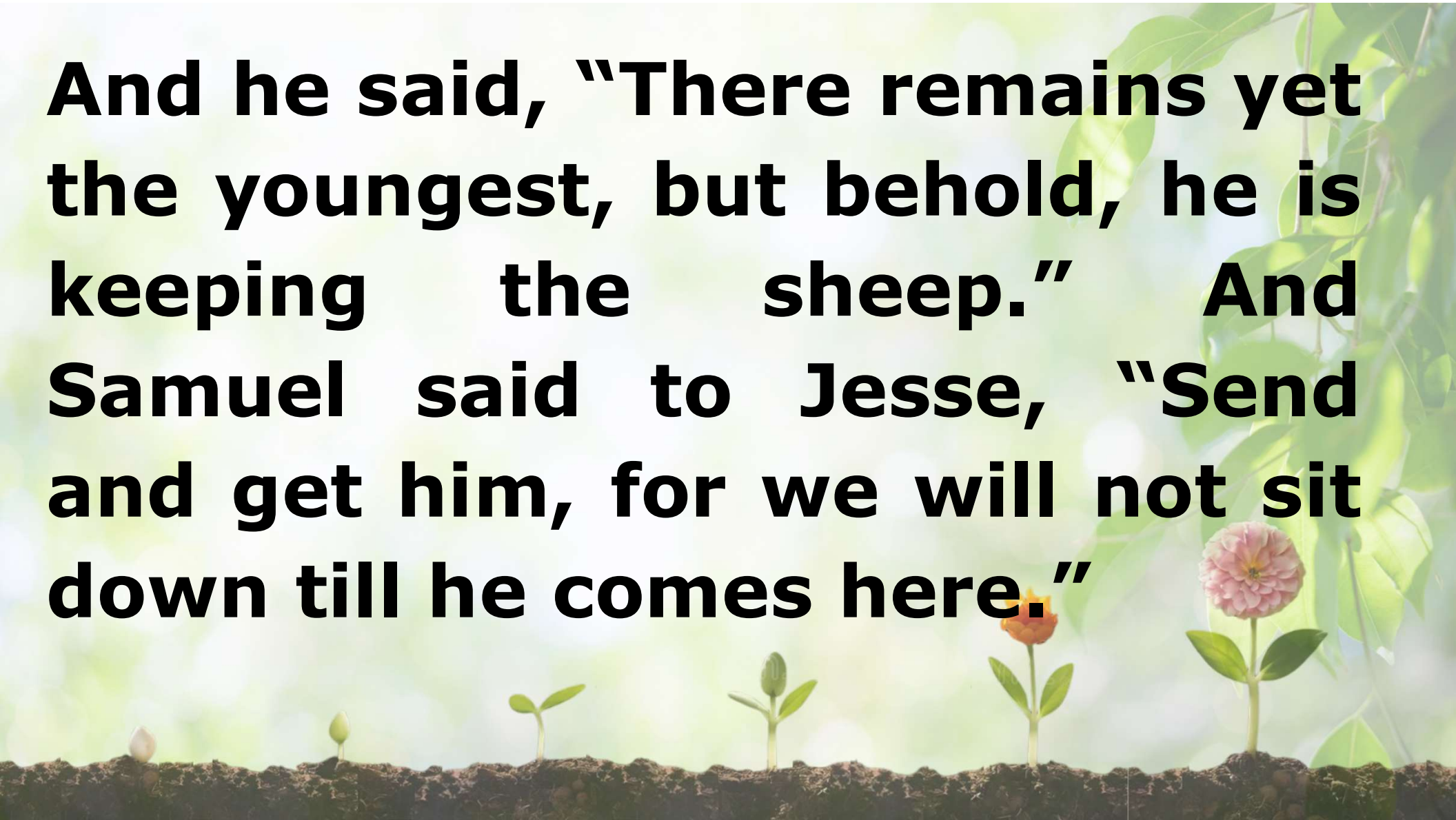


1 Samuel 16:10-11 ESV

10 “And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen these.” 11 Then Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?””



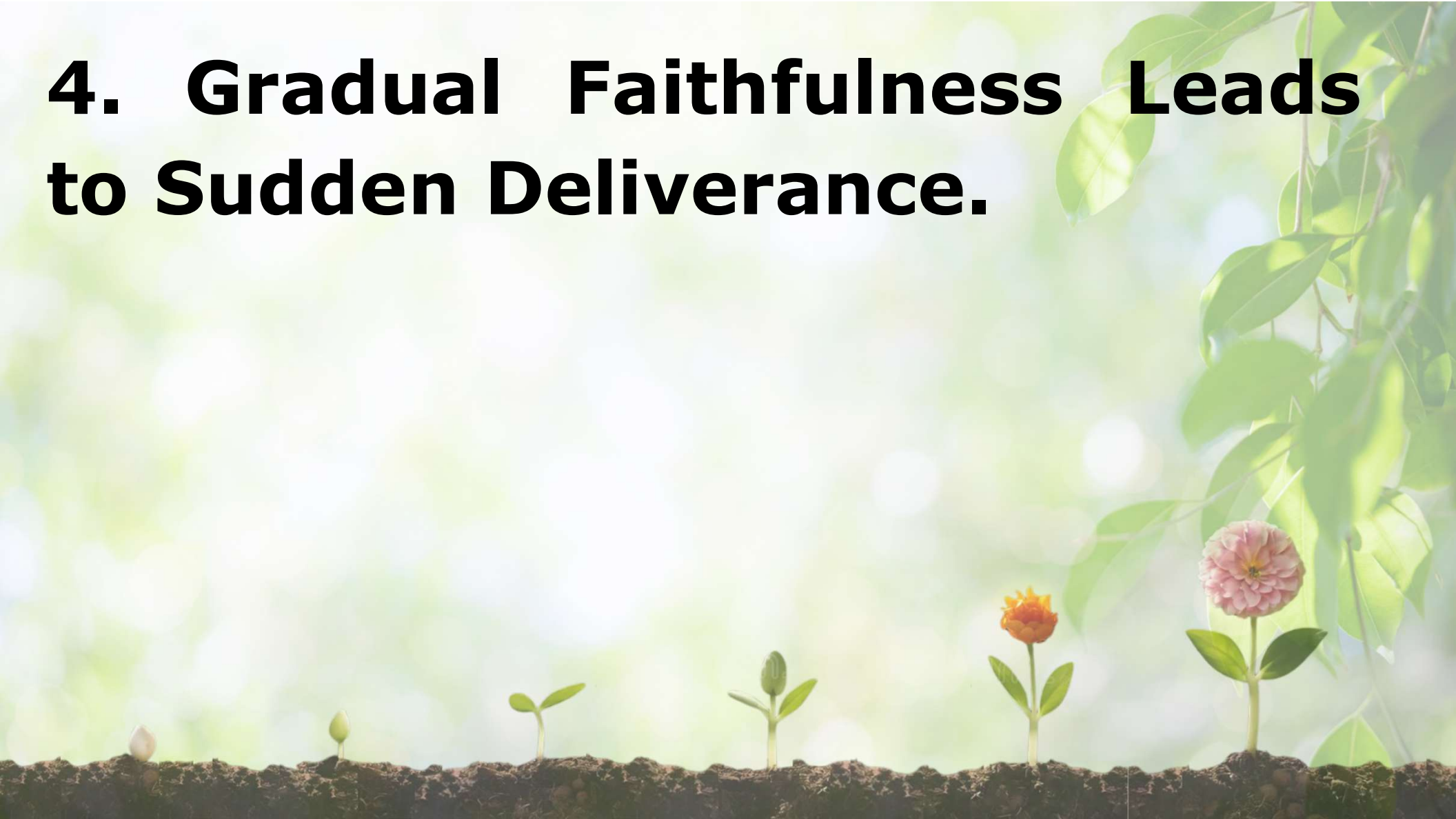
And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but behold, he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and get him, for we will not sit down till he comes here."



David had to wait approximately 15 years after his initial anointing by the Prophet Samuel to become the King of Israel.

House of David vs. House of Saul

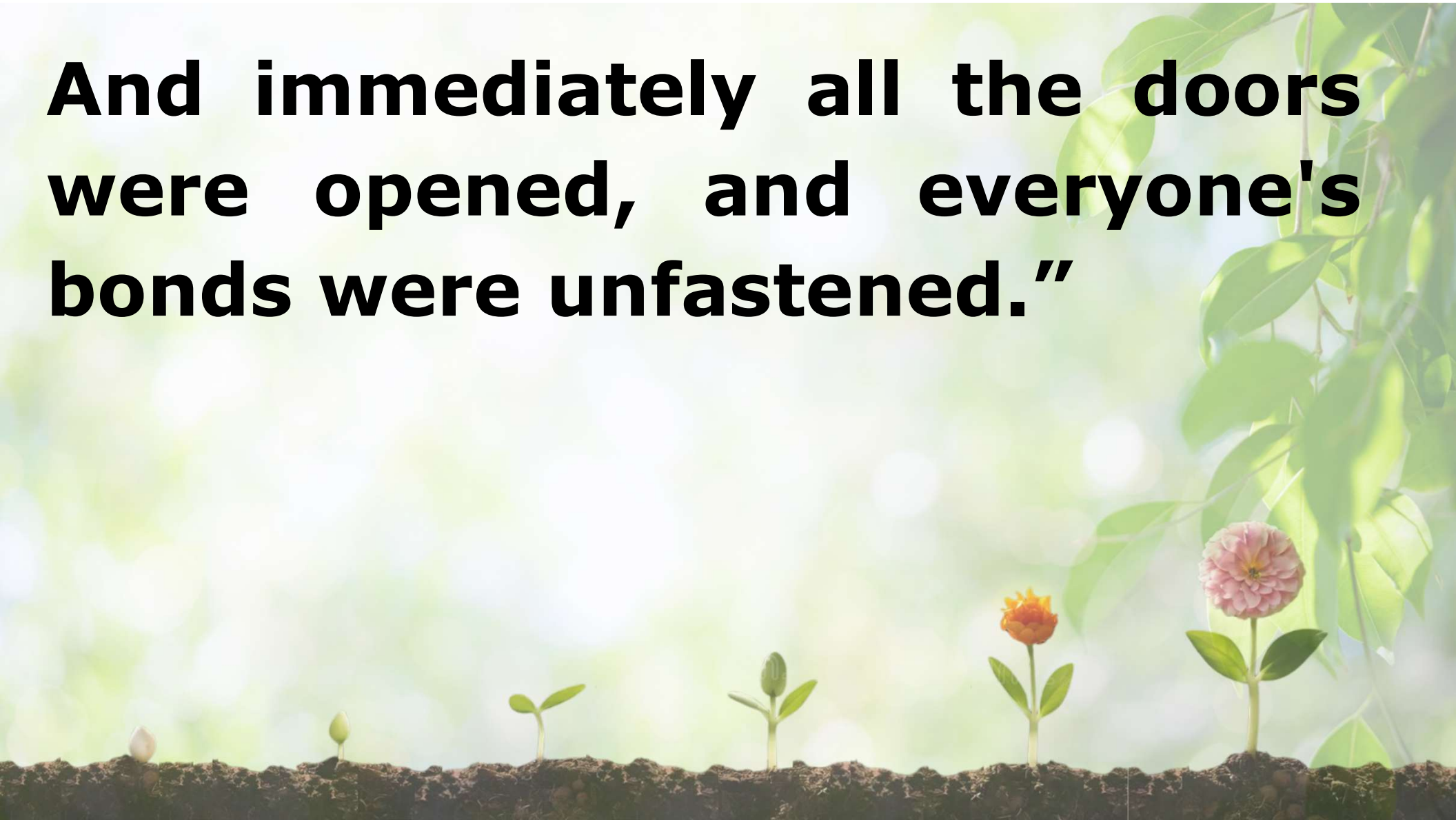
4. Gradual Faithfulness Leads to Sudden Deliverance.



Acts 16:25-26 ESV

25 “About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, 26 and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken.

**And immediately all the doors
were opened, and everyone's
bonds were unfastened.”**

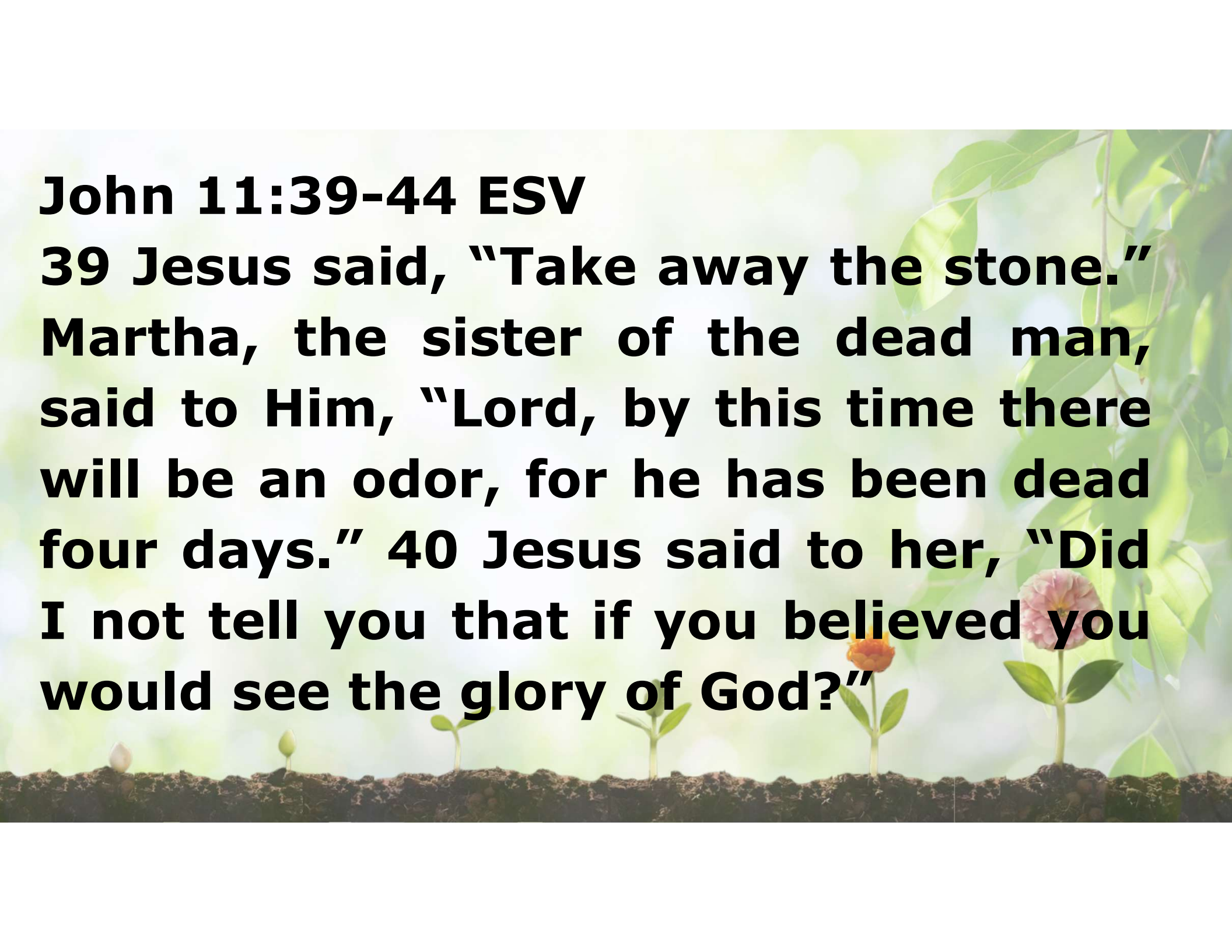


5. Gradual Despair to Sudden Hope.

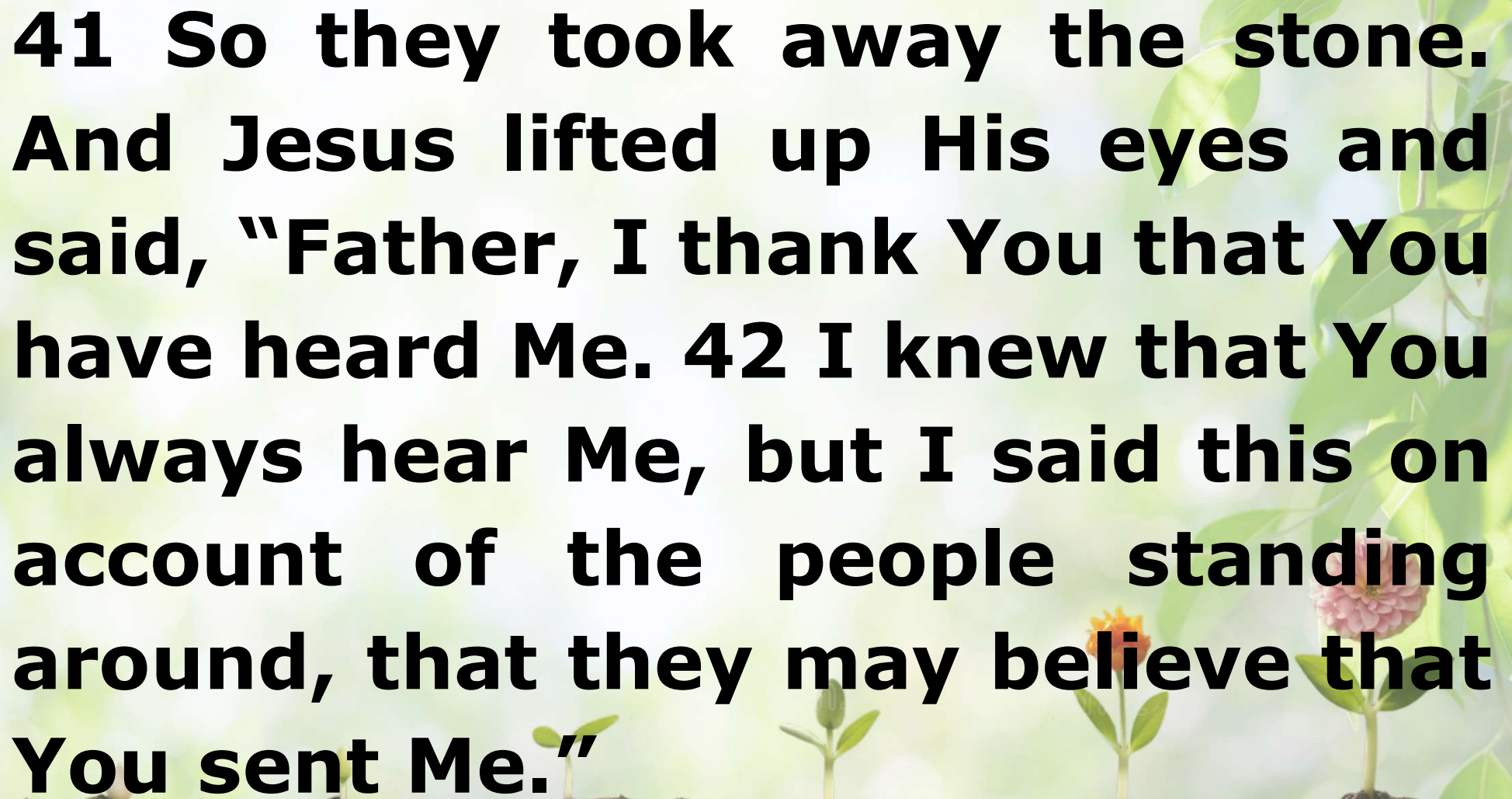


John 11:39-44 ESV

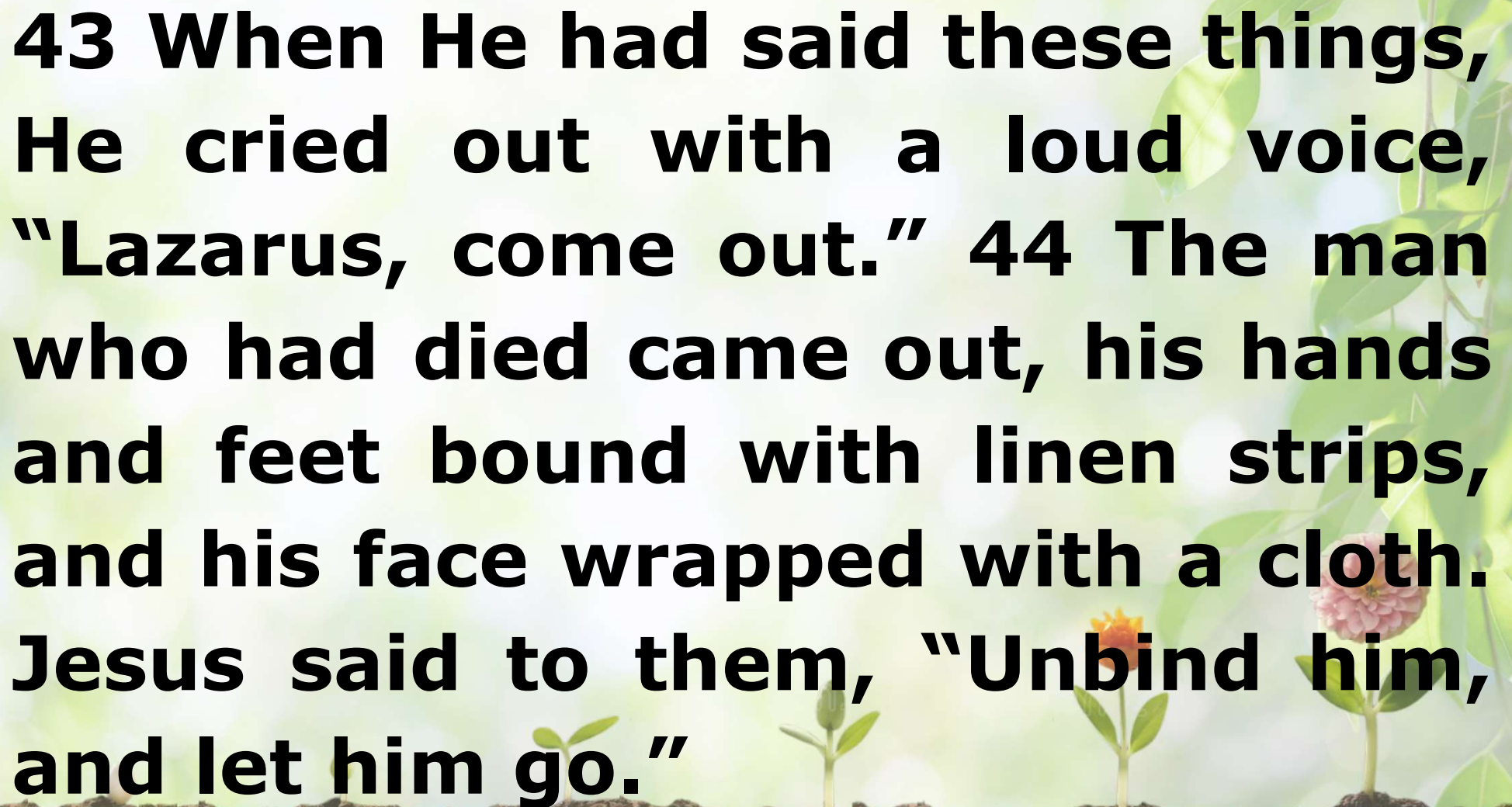
**39 Jesus said, "Take away the stone."
Martha, the sister of the dead man,
said to Him, "Lord, by this time there
will be an odor, for he has been dead
four days." 40 Jesus said to her, "Did
I not tell you that if you believed you
would see the glory of God?"**



41 So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up His eyes and said, "Father, I thank You that You have heard Me. 42 I knew that You always hear Me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that You sent Me."




**43 When He had said these things,
He cried out with a loud voice,
“Lazarus, come out.” 44 The man
who had died came out, his hands
and feet bound with linen strips,
and his face wrapped with a cloth.
Jesus said to them, “Unbind him,
and let him go.”**




6. The Kingdom of God is Supernatural!

You are a child of the King that rules the supernatural Kingdom of God. The King has made you a king, queen, priest, and priestess in this Kingdom.



Amos 9:13 ESV

“Behold, the days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when the plowman shall overtake the reaper and the treader of grapes him who sows the seed; the mountains shall drip sweet wine, and all the hills shall flow with it.”

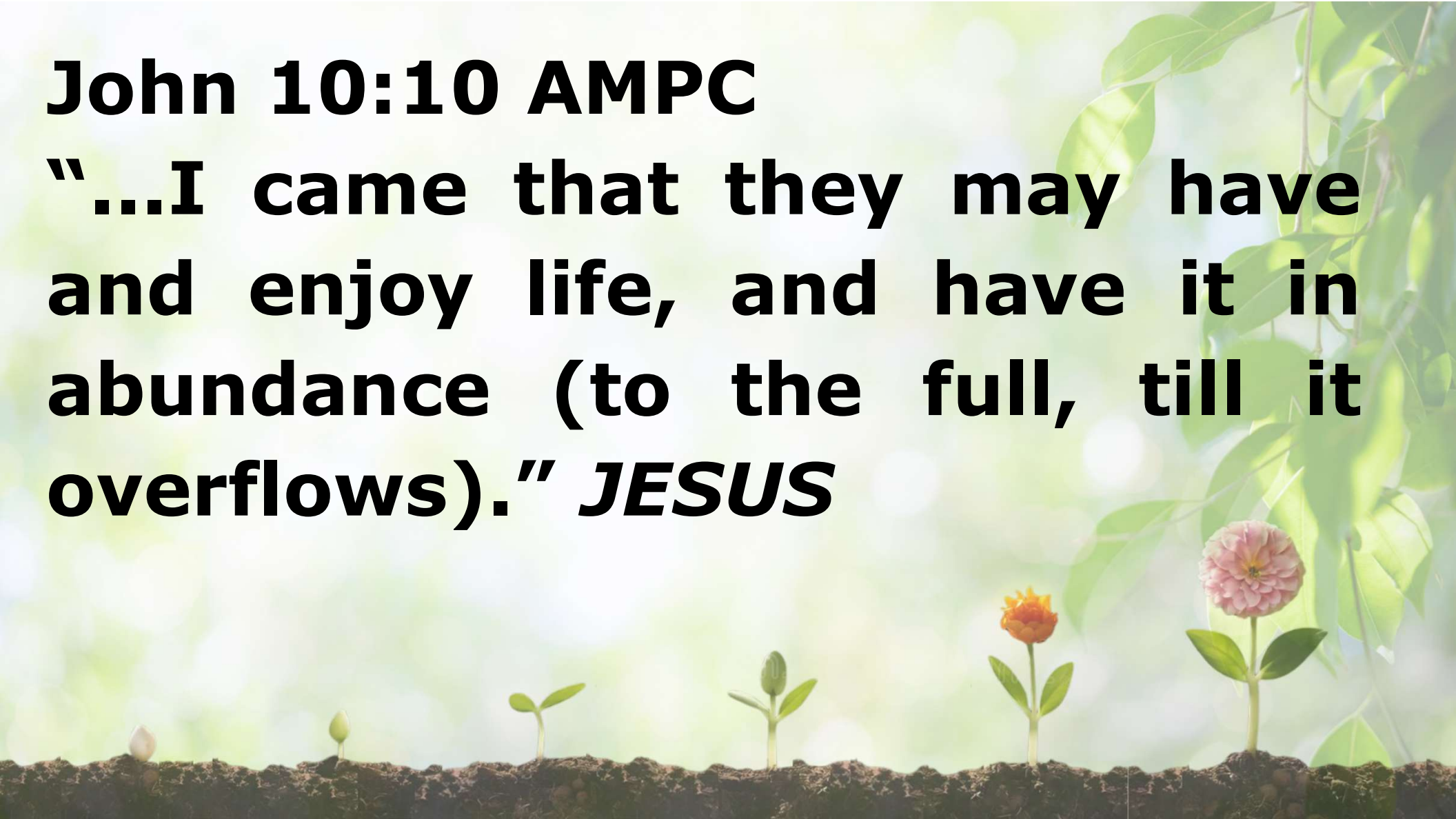


In ordinary agricultural cycles, the plowman prepares the ground for planting, and the reaper follows, harvesting what has been sown. There is a natural order and a waiting period between planting, growing, and harvesting.

We are entering a time of Kingdom Acceleration - where God supercedes the natural order of things to bring to you restoration and abundance!

John 10:10 AMPC

"...I came that they may have and enjoy life, and have it in abundance (to the full, till it overflows)." *JESUS*



Conclusion: God's work in our lives is often a process—a gradual unfolding of His plans. But He is also the God of the suddenlies. He works behind the scenes, orchestrating every detail, and at the right moment, He will bring about a breakthrough that changes everything.

Whether it's a sudden promotion, deliverance, or miracle, we can trust that God is faithful to bring His purposes to fruition. Let us remain faithful in the gradual process, knowing that God will move suddenly when the time is right.

Closing Prayer: Lord, thank You for Your faithfulness. Help us to trust You in the gradual seasons of life, knowing that You are always at work. Give us the strength to remain faithful and to wait patiently for the sudden breakthroughs that You have planned. May we be ready to see Your glory when it comes. In Jesus' Name, Amen!

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