

A construction site at sunset, featuring a large foundation pit with extensive rebar reinforcement. A yellow excavator and a red tractor are visible in the background. The scene is bathed in the warm, golden light of the setting sun, with long shadows cast across the construction area. The text "FOUNDATIONS" and "THE LORD WILL PROVIDE" is overlaid in large, bold, white letters.

FOUNDATIONS

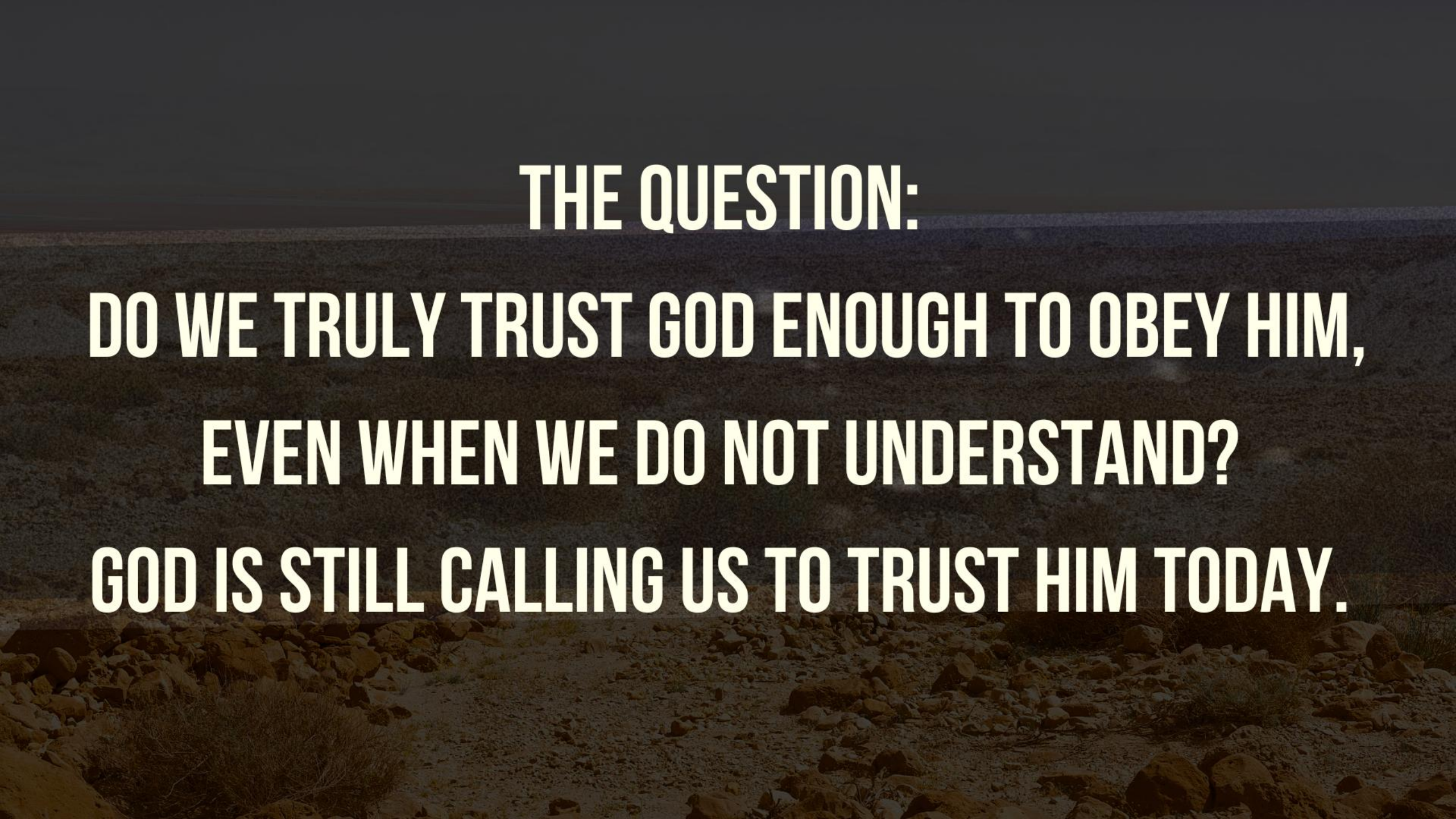
THE LORD WILL PROVIDE

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TRUSTING GOD: ABRAHAM'S ULTIMATE TEST

GENESIS 22:1-19

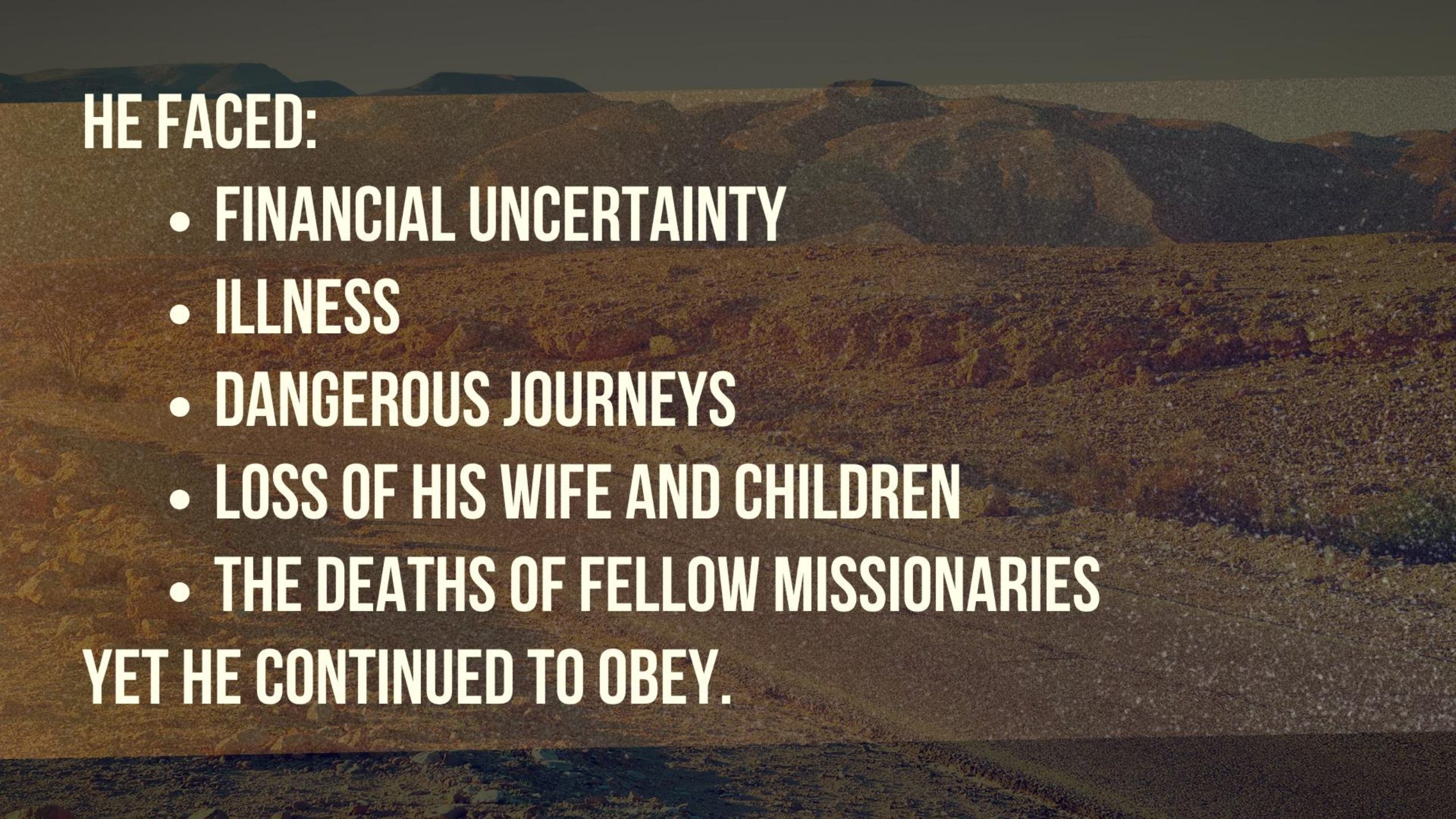
“SOME TIME LATER GOD TESTED ABRAHAM.”

The background of the image is a dark, atmospheric photograph of a rocky, arid landscape. A path of light-colored stones and sand leads from the bottom center towards the horizon. The sky is a deep, dark blue-grey, and the overall scene is dimly lit, creating a sense of mystery and solitude.

THE QUESTION:

**DO WE TRULY TRUST GOD ENOUGH TO OBEY HIM,
EVEN WHEN WE DO NOT UNDERSTAND?
GOD IS STILL CALLING US TO TRUST HIM TODAY.**

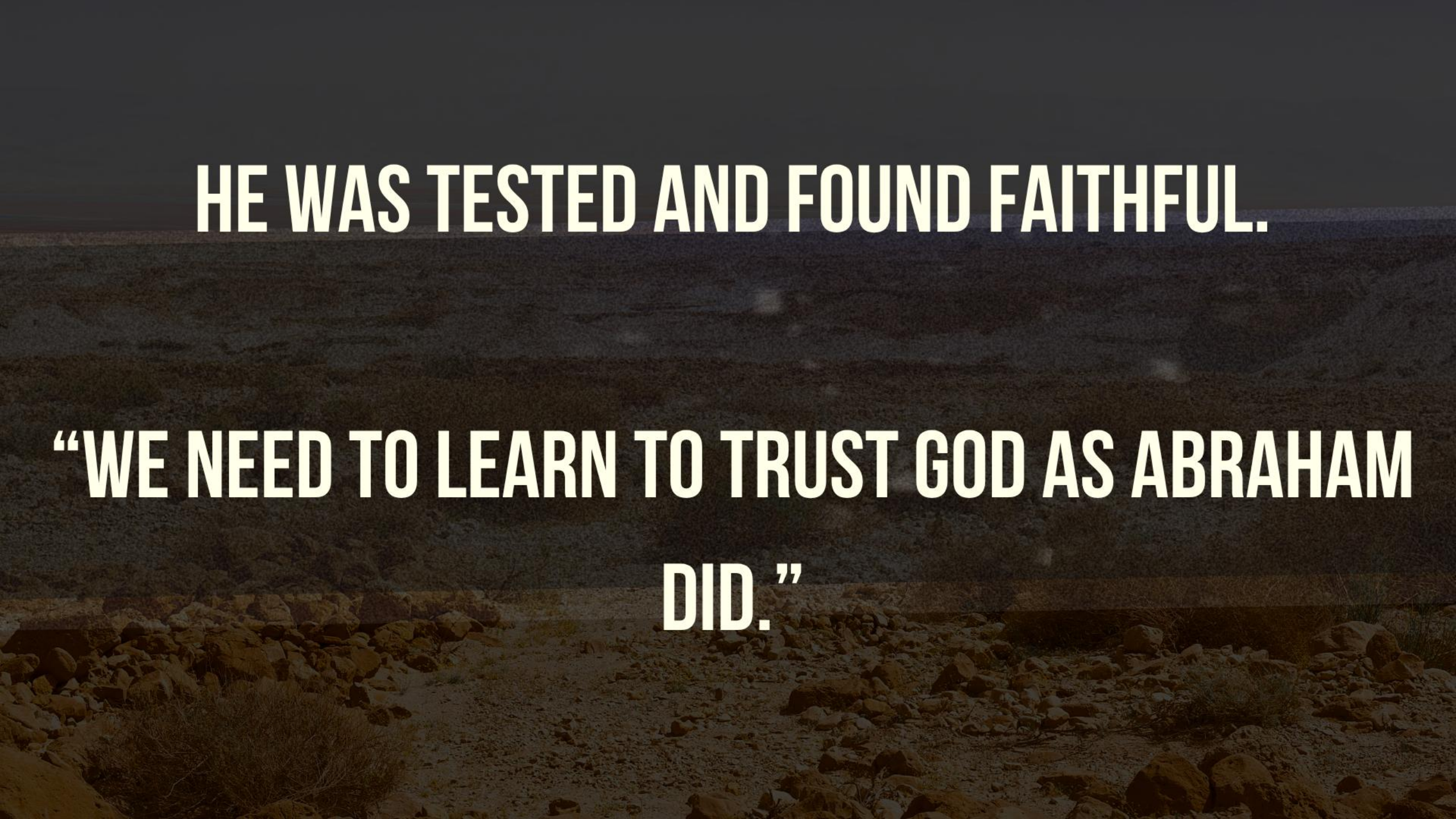
**THE STORY OF HUDSON TAYLOR REMINDS US THAT
TRUSTING GOD IS NOT MERELY A BIBLE STORY.
GOD CALLED TAYLOR TO CHINA, AND HE CHOSE TO
TRUST GOD TO PROVIDE.**



HE FACED:

- **FINANCIAL UNCERTAINTY**
- **ILLNESS**
- **DANGEROUS JOURNEYS**
- **LOSS OF HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN**
- **THE DEATHS OF FELLOW MISSIONARIES**

YET HE CONTINUED TO OBEY.



HE WAS TESTED AND FOUND FAITHFUL.

**“WE NEED TO LEARN TO TRUST GOD AS ABRAHAM
DID.”**

The background image is a dark, atmospheric landscape. The foreground is filled with numerous small, light-colored rocks and some sparse, dry vegetation. The middle ground and background are a dark, textured expanse, possibly a body of water or a distant shore, with a dark, overcast sky above. The overall tone is somber and mysterious.

1. THE ASK

GENESIS 22:1–2

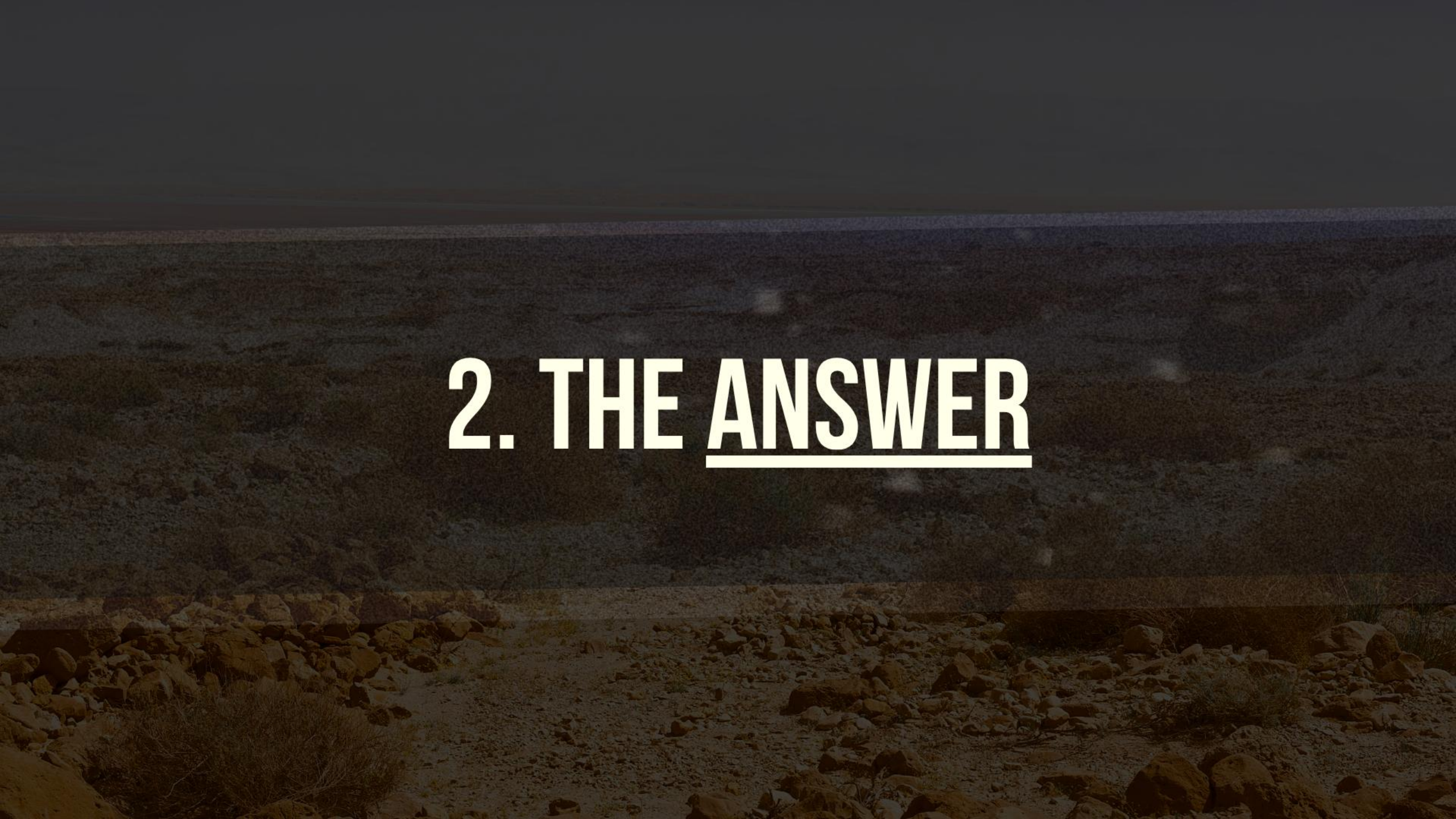
**1 SOME TIME LATER GOD TESTED ABRAHAM. HE SAID
TO HIM, “ABRAHAM!”**

“HERE I AM,” HE REPLIED.

**2 THEN GOD SAID, “TAKE YOUR SON, YOUR ONLY SON, WHOM
YOU LOVE—ISAAC—AND GO TO THE REGION OF MORIAH.
SACRIFICE HIM THERE AS A BURNT OFFERING ON A MOUNTAIN I
WILL SHOW YOU.**

ISAAC WAS:

- **THE CHILD OF PROMISE**
- **THE SON ABRAHAM LOVED**
- **THE ANSWER TO A 25-YEAR WAIT**
- **GOD WAS ASKING THE SEEMINGLY IMPOSSIBLE.**

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2. THE ANSWER

GENESIS 22:3—5

ABRAHAM DID NOT ARGUE.

HE DID NOT BARGAIN.

HE DID NOT MAKE A PLAN B.

HIS ANSWER WAS FOUND IN HIS ACTIONS.



3. THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

“WE WILL WORSHIP.”

— GENESIS 22:5

TRUE WORSHIP IS COSTLY.

**WORSHIP IS MORE THAN SINGING SONGS ON
SUNDAY.**

IT MEANS:

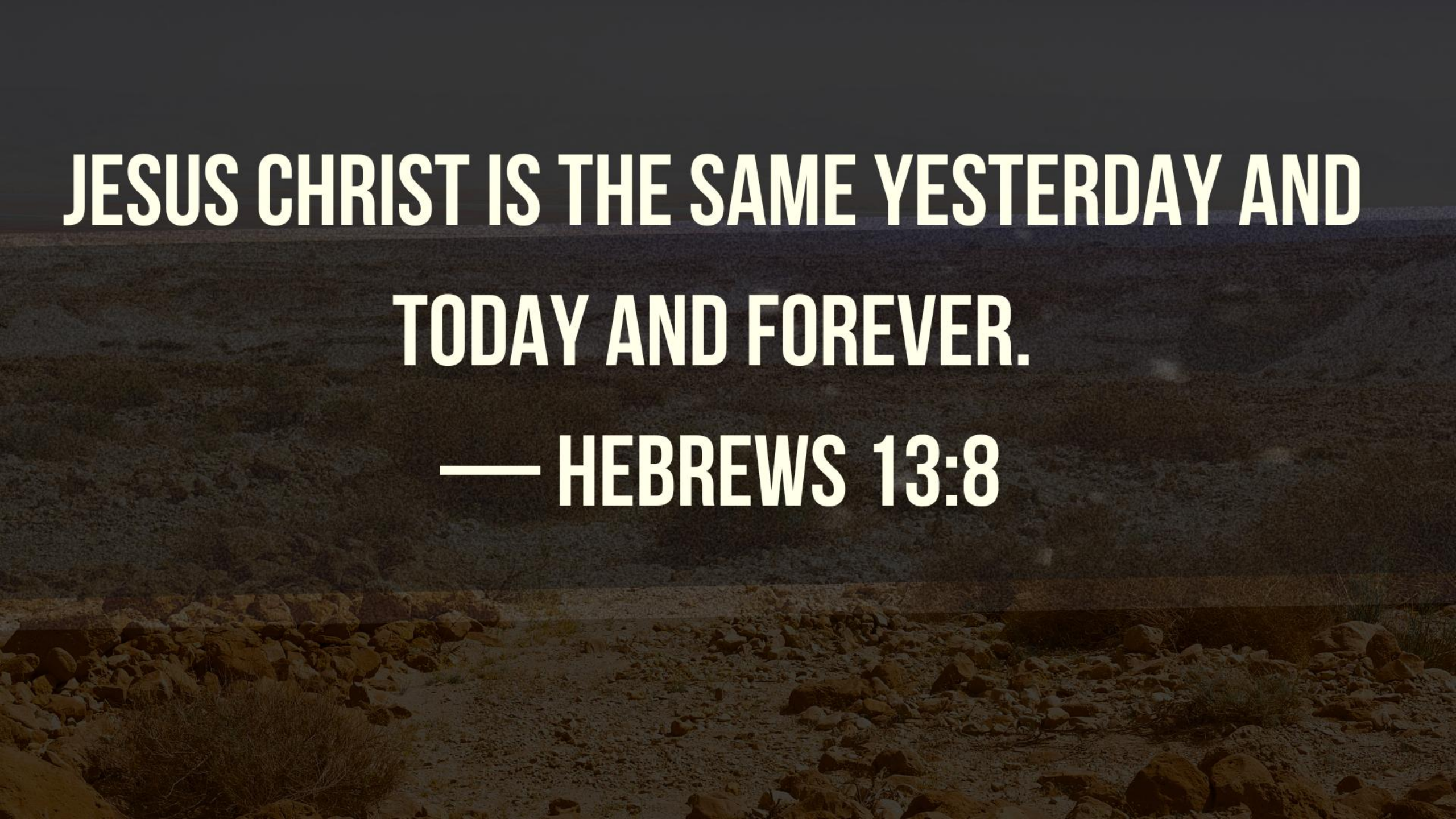
- **LEAVING OUR COMFORT ZONE**
- **GIVING OUR TIME**
- **GIVING OUR BEST**
- **CARRYING THE BURDENS OF OTHERS**
- **TRUSTING GOD WITH WHAT WE LOVE MOST**

HEBREWS 12:28—29

WORSHIP IS ALL OUR LIFE, ALL THE TIME.

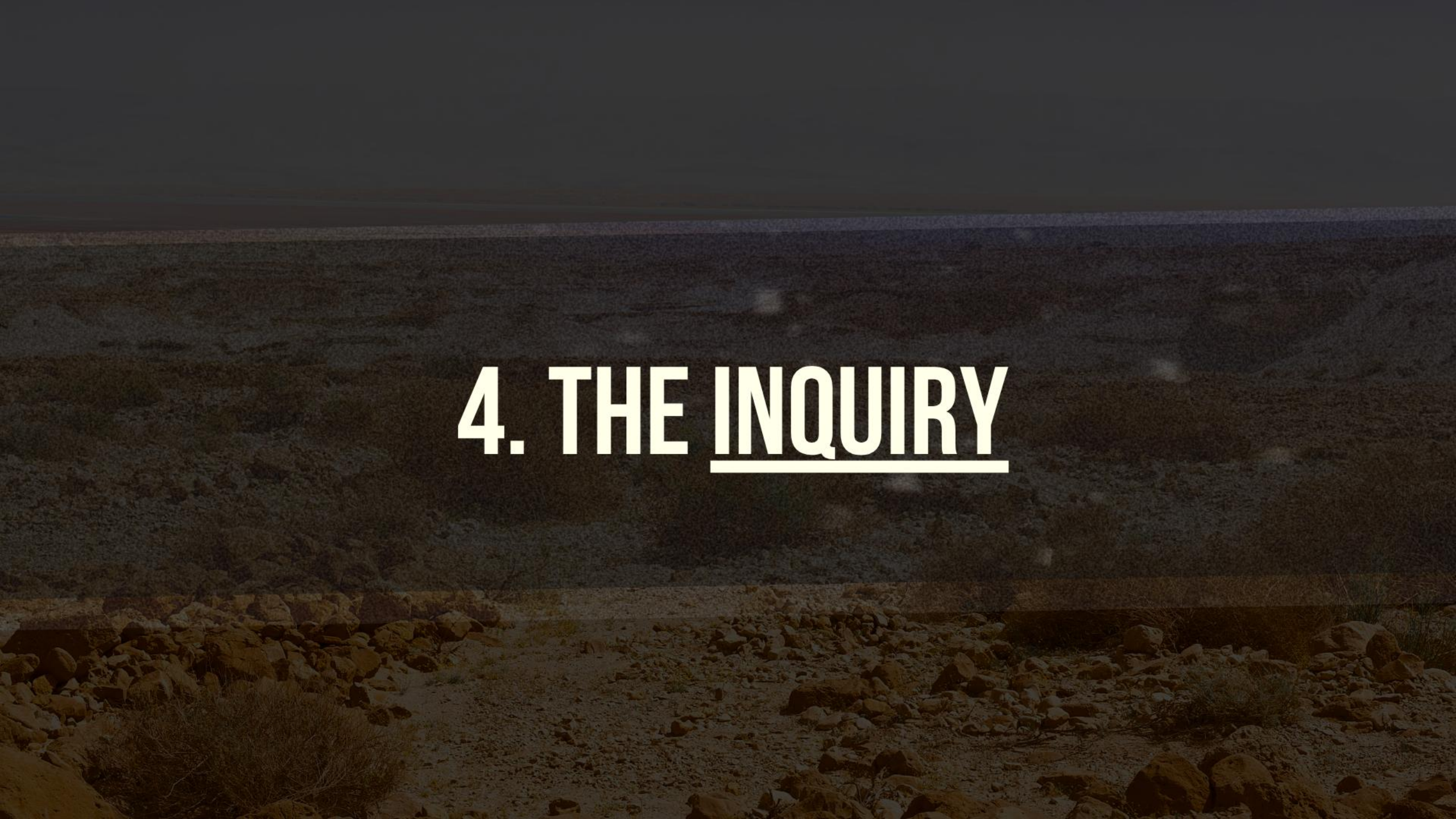
WORSHIP COSTS

HEBREWS 13:1—7

A dark, atmospheric photograph of a rocky, arid landscape. A path of light-colored stones and sand leads from the foreground towards a distant, hazy horizon. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds, and the overall lighting is dim, creating a sense of depth and solitude.

**JESUS CHRIST IS THE SAME YESTERDAY AND
TODAY AND FOREVER.**

— HEBREWS 13:8

The background image is a dark, atmospheric landscape. The foreground is filled with numerous small, light-colored rocks and patches of dry, brownish vegetation. The middle ground and background are a dark, textured expanse, possibly a body of water or a distant shore, with subtle variations in tone and texture. The overall mood is somber and mysterious.

4. THE INQUIRY

GENESIS 22:6–7

“WHERE IS THE LAMB?”

ABRAHAM CARRIED:

- **THE FIRE**
- **THE KNIFE**
- **THE BURDEN OF KNOWING WHAT WAS COMING**

ISAAC CARRIED THE WOOD.

GOD HIMSELF WILL PROVIDE

GENESIS 22:8

**8 ABRAHAM ANSWERED, "GOD HIMSELF WILL
PROVIDE THE LAMB FOR THE BURNT OFFERING,
MY SON."**

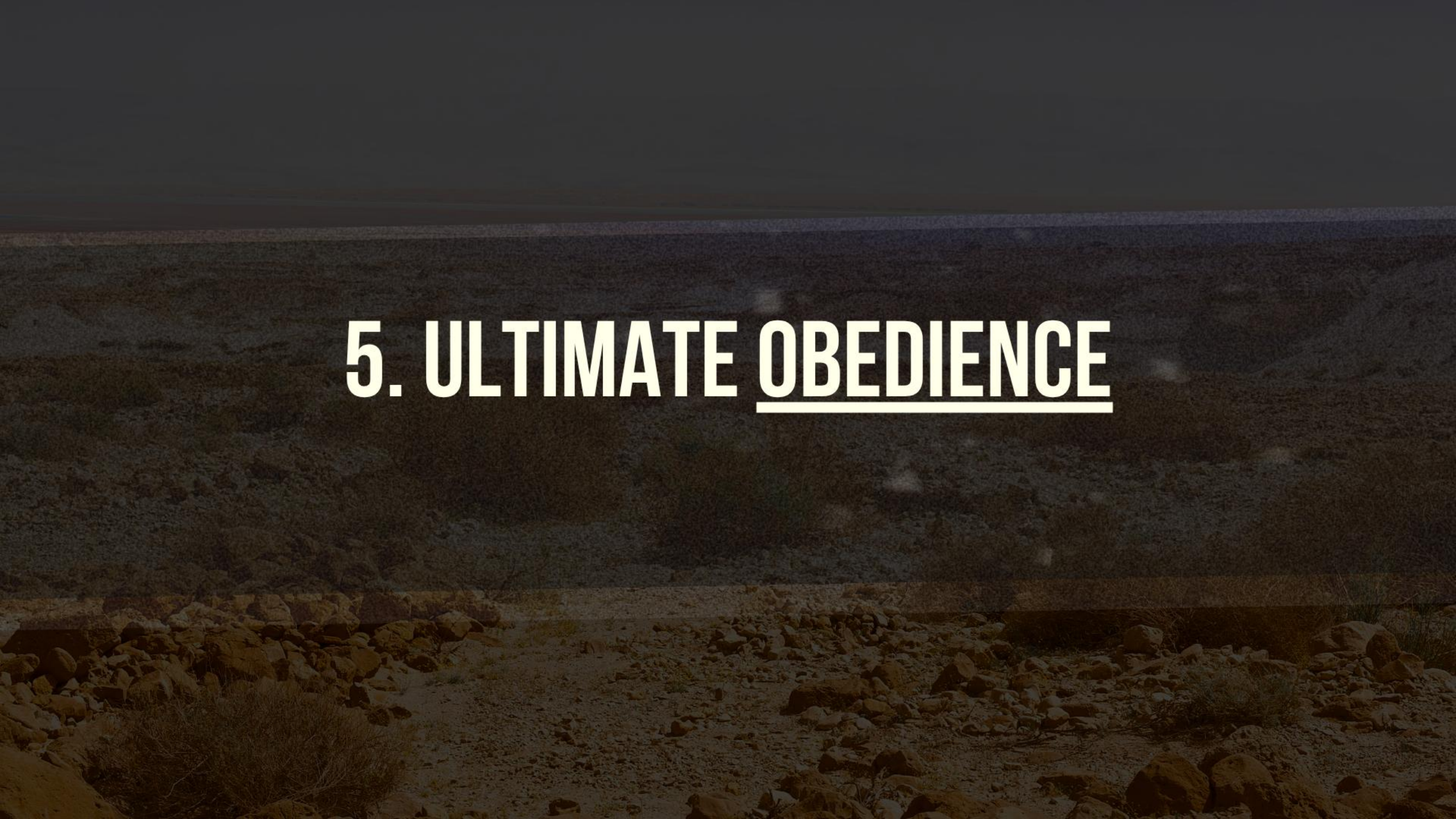
AND THE TWO OF THEM WENT ON TOGETHER.

ABRAHAM DID NOT KNOW HOW GOD WOULD PROVIDE.

BUT HE TRUSTED THAT GOD WOULD PROVIDE.

**TRUE WORSHIP GIVES GOD OUR BEST, NOT OUR
LEFTOVERS.**

GOD HIMSELF WILL PROVIDE.



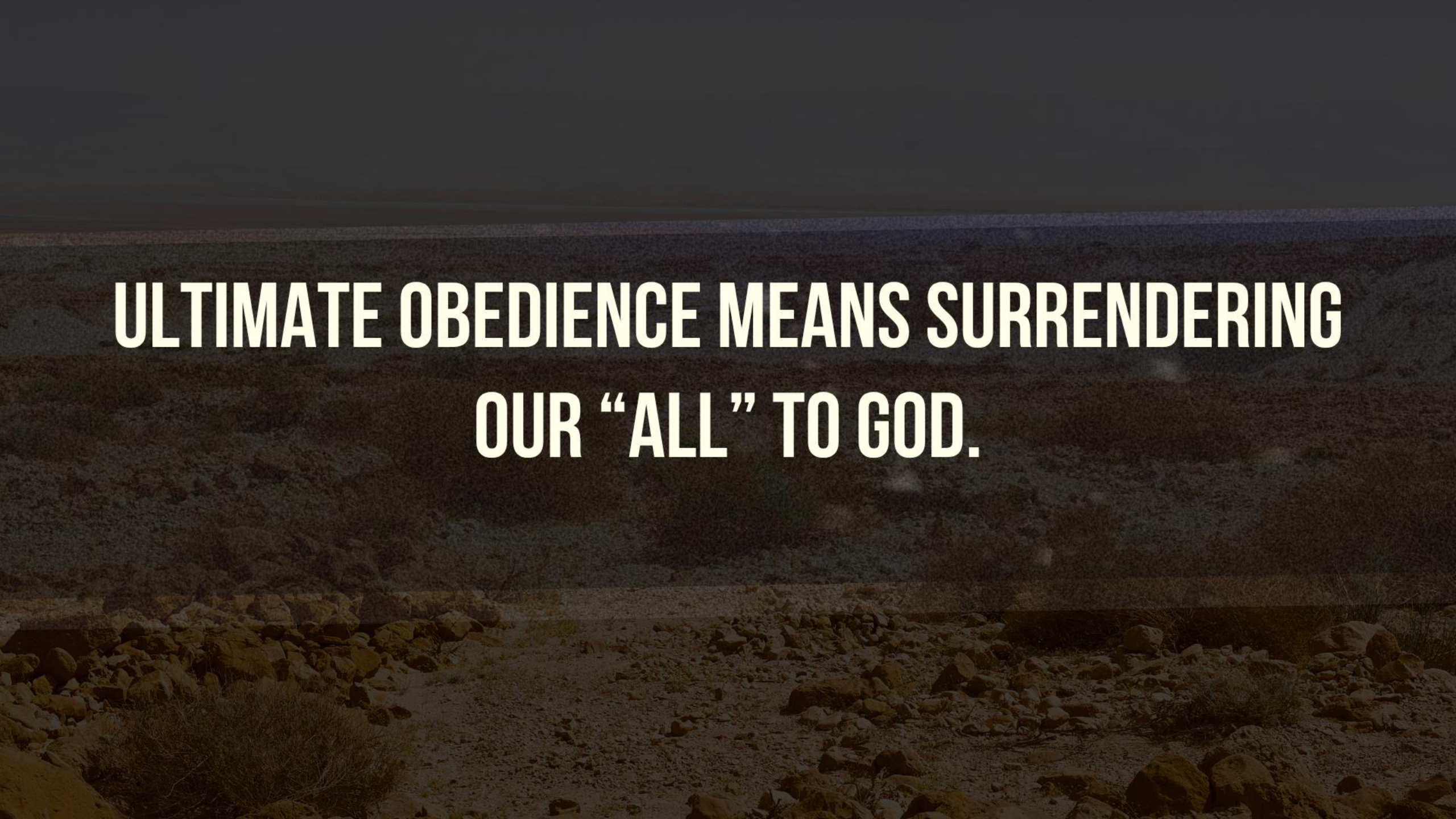
5. ULTIMATE OBEDIENCE

GENESIS 22:9—12

ABRAHAM WITHHELD NOTHING FROM GOD.

WHAT ARE WE HOLDING BACK?

- **OUR CHILDREN?**
- **OUR CAREER?**
- **OUR MONEY?**
- **OUR FUTURE?**
- **OUR PLANS?**
- **OUR VERY LIVES?**



**ULTIMATE OBEDIENCE MEANS SURRENDERING
OUR “ALL” TO GOD.**

THE LORD WILL PROVIDE

GENESIS 22:13—19

BLESSING FOLLOWS OBEDIENCE.

**HE DOES CALL ALL OF US TO TRUST HIM AND OBEY
HIM.**

The background is a photograph of a desert landscape with rocky terrain and sparse, dry vegetation. At the top of the image, there is a horizontal border consisting of a series of dark, rounded rectangular shapes, resembling the sprocket holes of a film strip. The text is overlaid on this background in a bold, white, sans-serif font.

**OUR GOD IS FAITHFUL WITH EVERY
PROMISE.**

**TRUST HIM. OBEY HIM. AND BE
BLESSED.**