

In God's Mighty Hands

1 Peter 5:6-7

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1. Understanding God's sovereignty.

- a. God is enthroned _____ all.
- b. God is enthroned _____ all.
- c. God's throne is all _____.

2. Humbled by God's sovereignty.

- a. All human authority is _____ from Him.
- b. All human responsibility is _____ upon Him.
- c. All human conditions are _____ by Him.

3. Anchored in God's sovereignty.

- a. God's sovereignty is _____.
- b. God's sovereignty is _____.

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A photograph of a lighthouse situated on a rocky island. The lighthouse is a tall, cylindrical structure with a lantern room at the top. It is surrounded by a base of dark, jagged rocks. The sea is a deep blue-green color, and massive, white-capped waves are crashing against the rocks and the base of the lighthouse, creating a dramatic and powerful scene. The sky is not visible, as the sea and waves fill the frame.

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Theme

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Understanding
God's sovereignty.



“Sovereign”

1. A monarch; a king, queen, or other supreme ruler.
2. A person who has supreme power or authority.

Power and Rule

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Sovereignty = Rule

Psalm 103:19

The LORD has established His throne in the heavens; And His sovereignty rules over all.

To say that God is
sovereign is to say that
God is *enthroned*.



Understanding God Enthroned

God is enthroned *above* all.

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that He may exalt you at the proper time,
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There is **no one** or **nothing**
above or outside of God ruling
or even influencing Him.

All things are *under* His
mighty hand.

Psalm 47:2

For the LORD **Most High** is to be feared,
A great King over all the earth.

Psalm 83:18

That they may know that You alone,
whose name is the LORD,
Are **the Most High** over all the earth.

Psalm 97:9

For You are the LORD **Most High** over all the earth;
You are exalted **far above all gods.**

God's rule is higher than
all powers, all peoples, and
all forces of creation.

Psalm 95:3

For the LORD is a great God,
And a great King **above all gods.**

Psalm 99:2

The LORD is great in Zion,
And He is exalted **above all the peoples.**

Psalm 108:5

Be exalted, O God, **above the heavens,**
And Your glory **above all the earth.**

Understanding God Enthroned

God is enthroned above all.

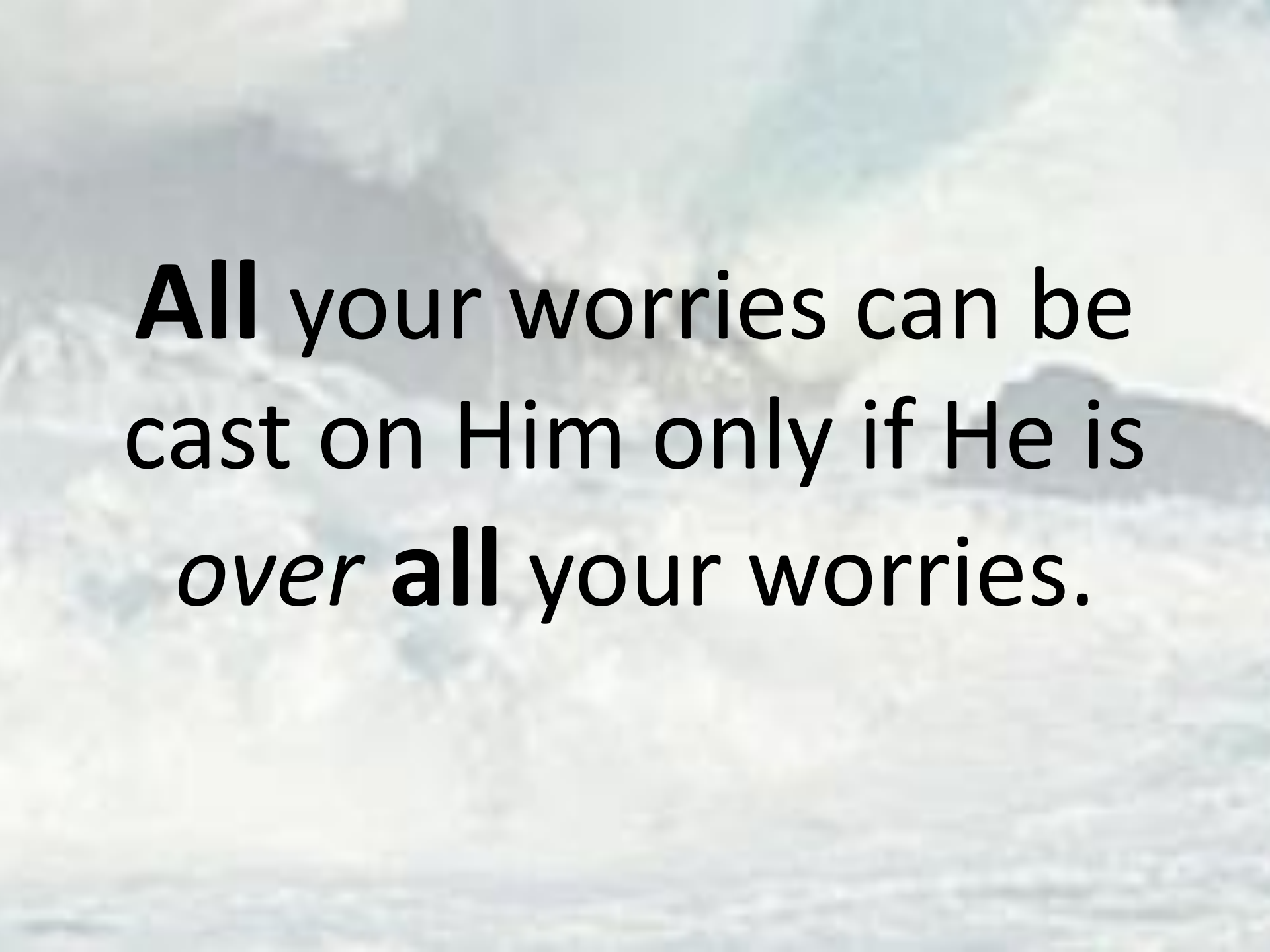
God is enthroned ***over*** all.

Over All

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All your worries can be
cast on Him only if He is
over **all** your worries.

Over all your worries!

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The LORD has established His throne in the heavens; And His sovereignty rules over all.

Sovereign over all means that ***all things*** are subject to Him and that ***all*** of His purposes will be done.

Isaiah 46:9-10

“Remember the former things long past,
For I am God, and there is no other;
I am God, and there is no one like Me,
Declaring the end from the beginning and from
ancient times things which have not been done,
Saying, 'My purpose will be established,
And I will accomplish all My good pleasure'.

God does His will!

Psalm 135:6

Whatever the LORD pleases, He does,
In heaven and in earth,
in the seas and in all deeps.

Daniel 4:35

And all the inhabitants of the earth are
accounted as nothing, But He does
according to His will in the host of heaven
And among the inhabitants of earth.



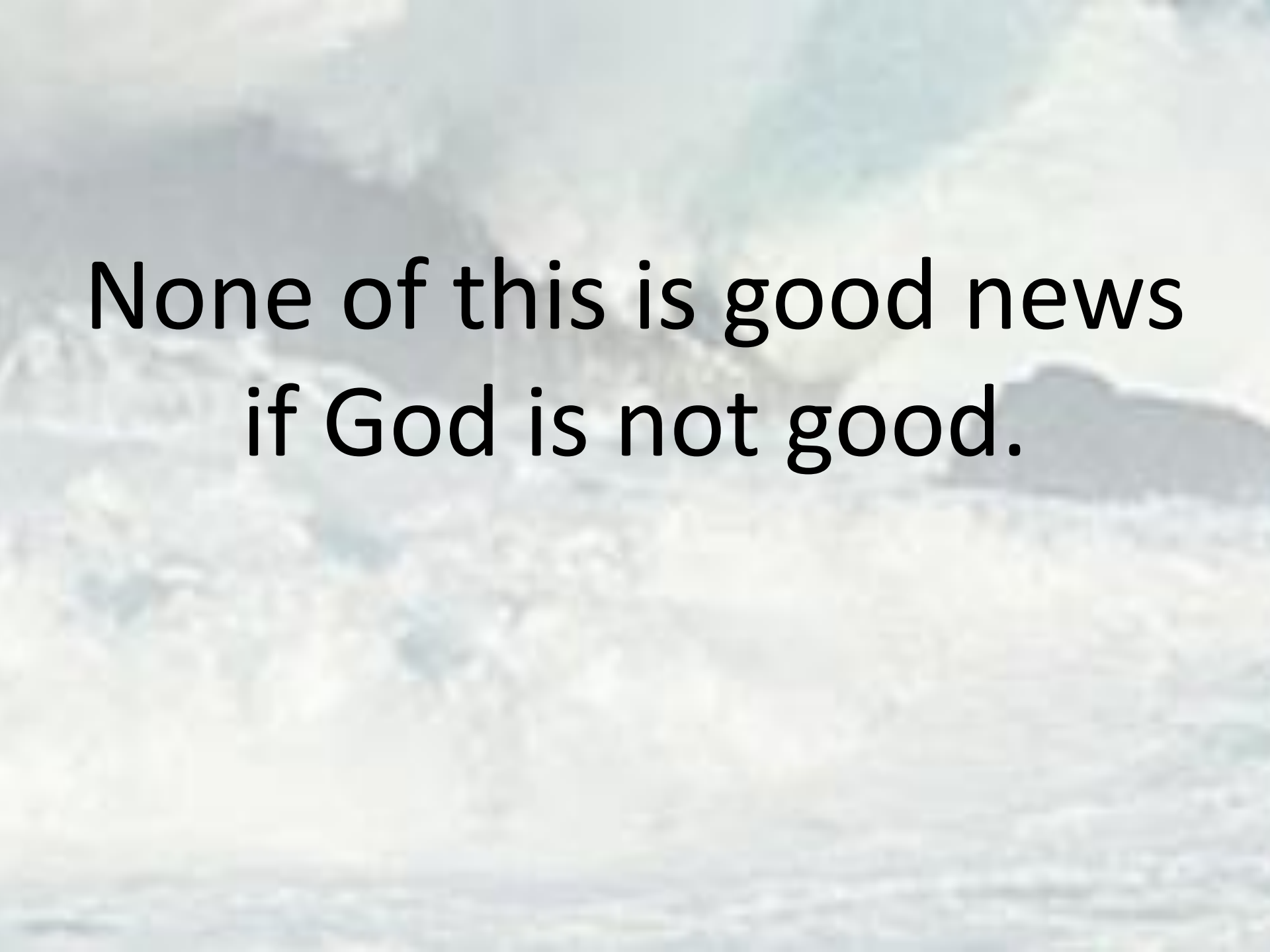
God is doing all things
exactly as planned!

Understanding God Enthroned

God is enthroned above all.

God is enthroned over all.

God's throne is all *good*.



None of this is good news
if God is not good.

God is Good!

Psalm 119:68

You are good and do good.



God is all powerful, doing
all He has planned.

God is all wise, doing
all things well.

God is all good, doing
all things right.

God does good for you!

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Humbled under God's Sovereignty

All human authority is
derived from Him.

Daniel 2:20-21

“Let the name of God be blessed forever and ever,
For wisdom and power belong to Him.
And it is He who changes the times and the epochs;
He removes kings and establishes kings;
He gives wisdom to wise men,
And knowledge to men of understanding.

Daniel 4:17

In order that the living may know that the
Most High is ruler over the realm of mankind,
And bestows it on whom He wishes,
And sets over it the lowliest of men.

Authority is God's to give,
and He gives it to
whomever He wishes.

Humbled by God's Sovereignty

All human authority is derived from Him.

All human responsibility is
dependent upon Him.

We often pit human responsibility against God's sovereignty as if they are incompatible concepts.

But there can be no human responsibility apart from God's sovereignty.

Sovereignty and Responsibility

Genesis 2:15-17

Then the LORD God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to cultivate it and keep it.

**God is sovereign to have
given these responsibilities!**

Sovereignty and Freedom

Genesis 2:16-17

And the LORD God commanded the man, saying,
“From any tree of the garden **you may eat freely.**”

**Adam’s freedom to eat was
dependent upon God’s freedom
to command.**



You are responsible **because**
God is sovereign.

Humbled by God's Sovereignty

All human authority is derived from Him.

All human responsibility is dependent on Him.

All human circumstances are
determined by Him.

Isaiah 14:24

The LORD of hosts has sworn saying, “Surely, just as I have intended so it has happened, and just as I have planned so it will stand.”

All goes as God has intended.

All goes as God has planned.

**All things serve His
purposes.**

Psalm 119:90-91

Your faithfulness continues throughout all generations;
You established the earth, and it stands.
They stand this day according to Your ordinances,
For all things are Your servants.

There is no doctrine more hated than God's sovereignty because there is no doctrine more humbling.

“Men will allow God to be everywhere except on His throne.”

(Charles Spurgeon)

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Anchored in God's Sovereignty

God's sovereignty
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In His Hands

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How calm would your life be
without worry?

You won't entrust all your
worries to Him if you don't
believe He is sovereign over
all your worries.

Anchored in God's Sovereignty

God's sovereignty is calming.

God's sovereignty
is **comforting.**

Nothing more comforting!

1 Peter 5:6-7

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Psalm 119:50

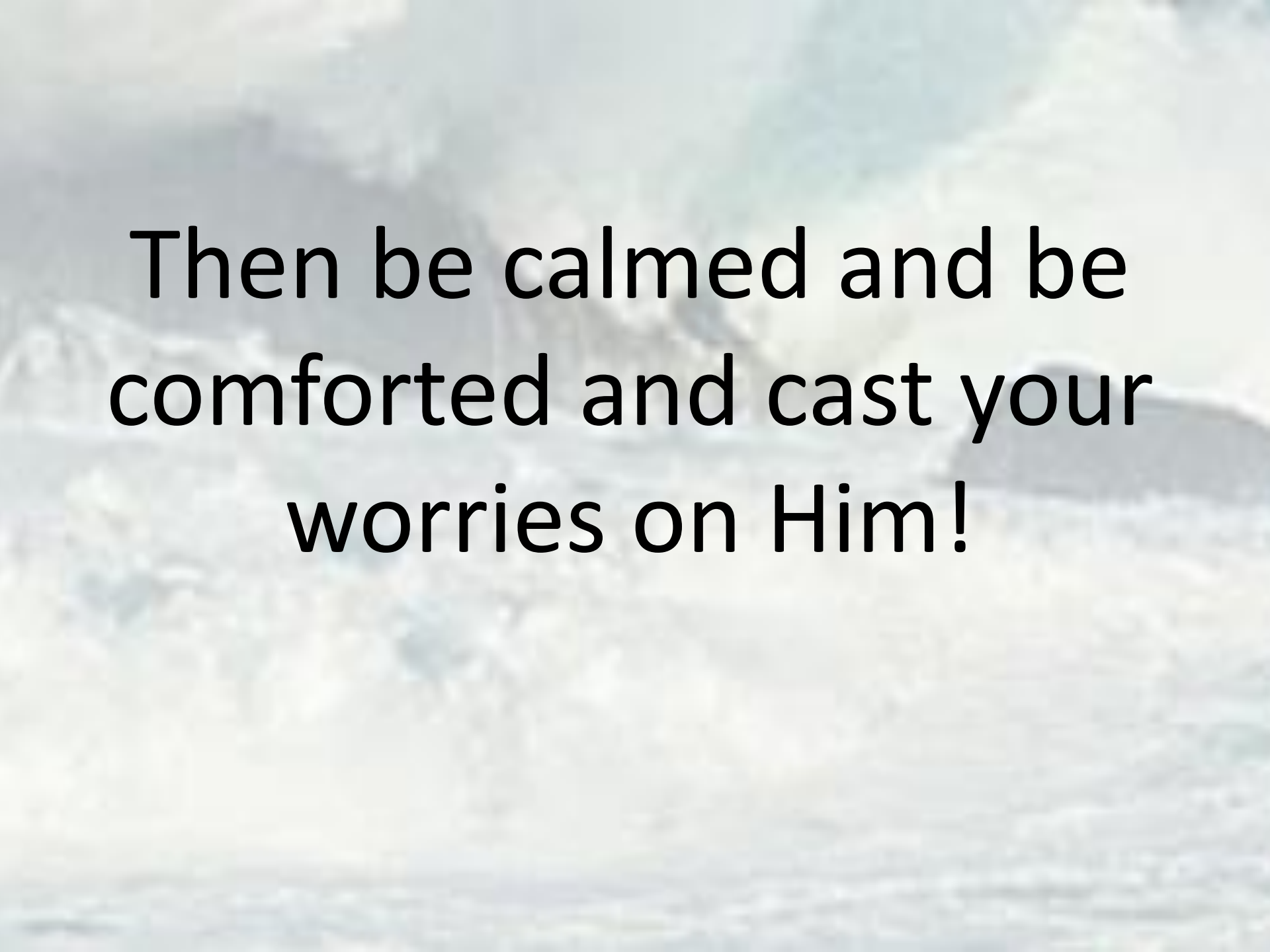
This is my comfort in my affliction,
That Your word has revived me.



Do you believe that God is
sovereign over all?

Do you believe that God is
infinitely wise?

Do you believe that God is good?



Then be calmed and be
comforted and cast your
worries on Him!