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# Main Point

Profound judgment came upon Judah,  
but an even more profound display  
of power and mercy has come  
in the extension of God's redemption  
to the ends of the earth.

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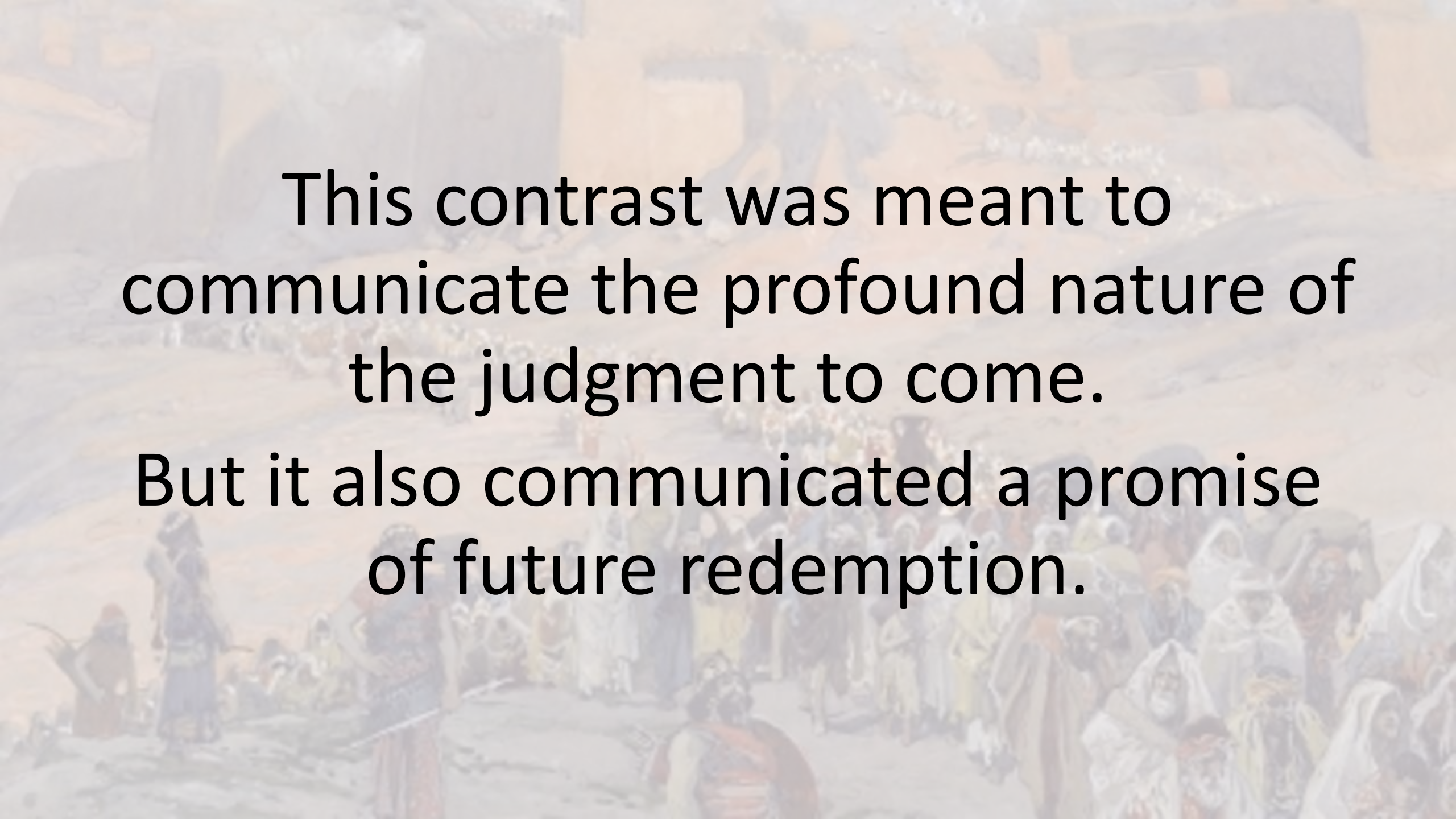


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This contrast was meant to  
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But it also communicated a promise  
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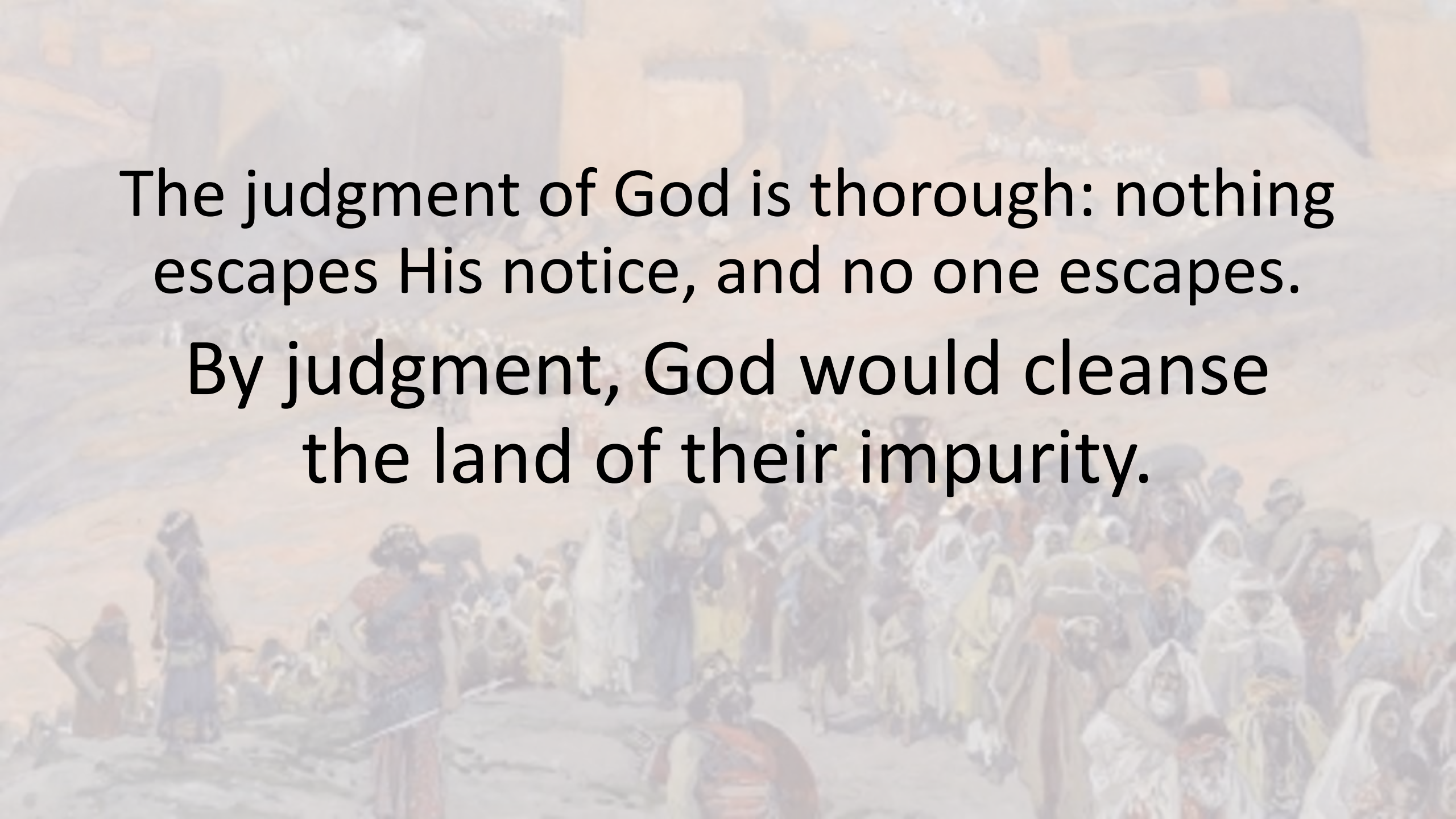
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The judgment of God is thorough: nothing escapes His notice, and no one escapes.

By judgment, God would cleanse the land of their impurity.



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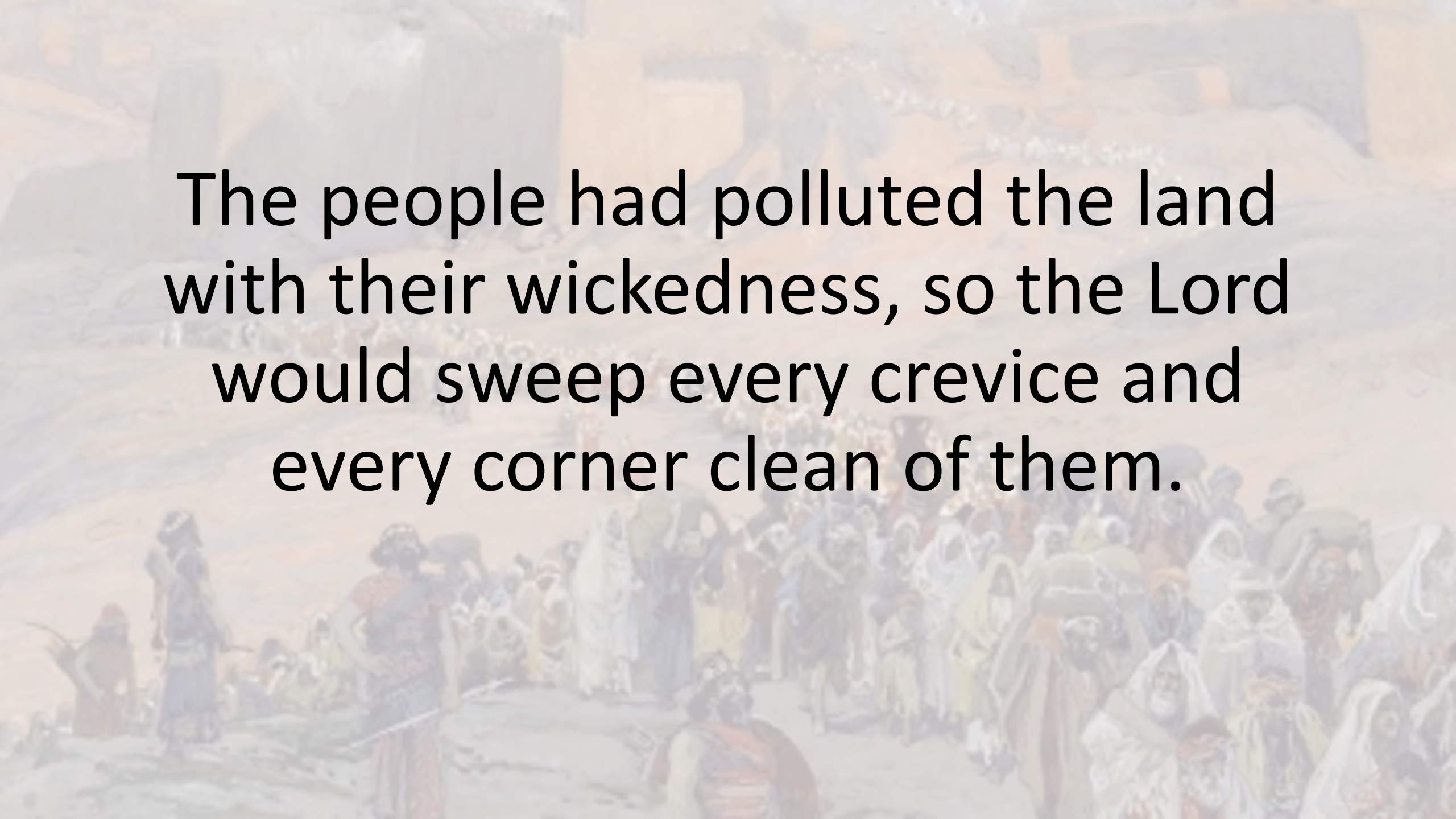
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The people had polluted the land  
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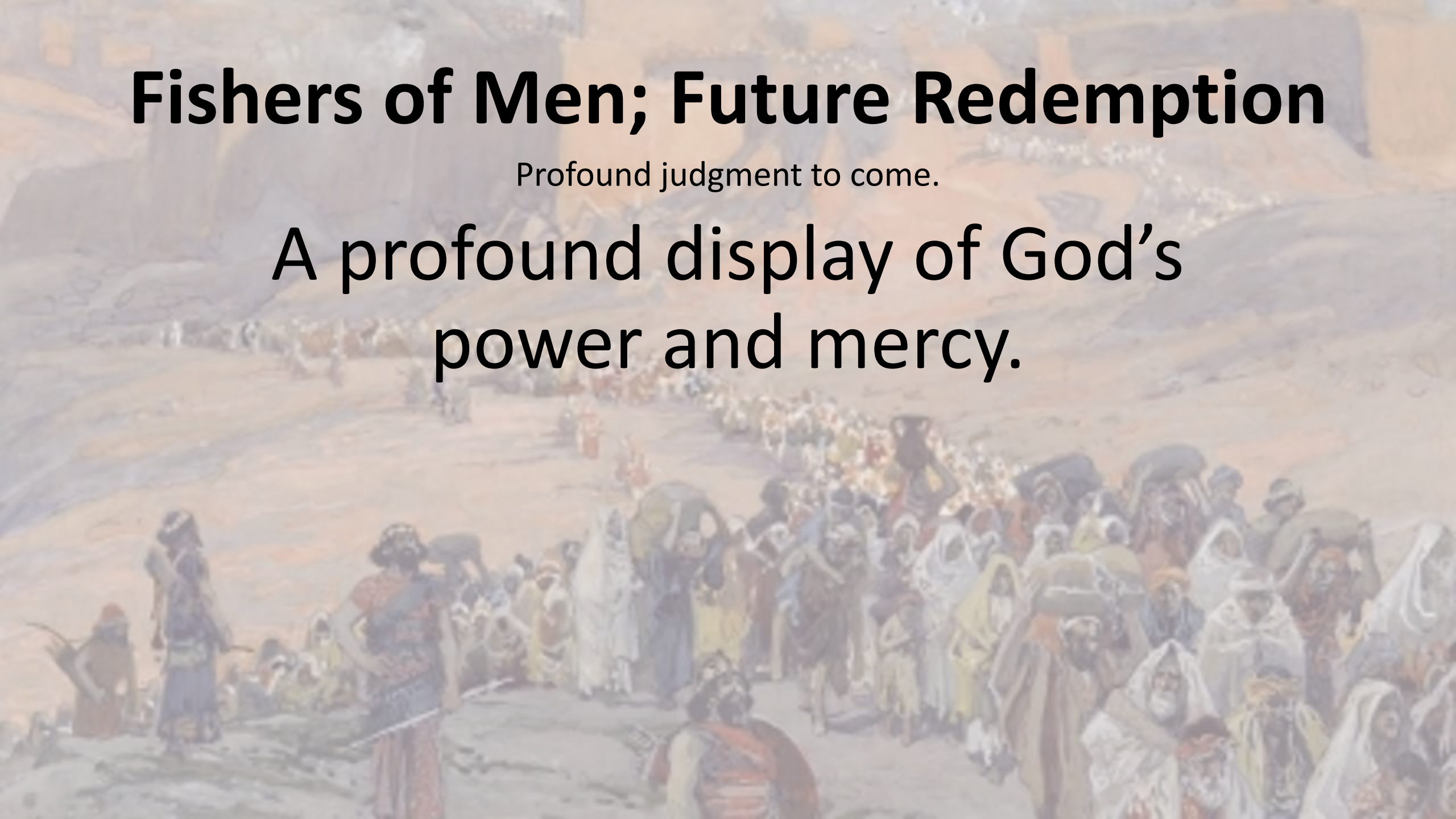
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complete; but mercifully, the LORD  
would consider it sufficient.



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## **Psalm 22:27**

All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the LORD,  
And all the families of the nations will worship before You.

## **Isaiah 2:2**

Now it will come about that In the last days  
The mountain of the house of the LORD  
Will be established as the chief of the mountains,  
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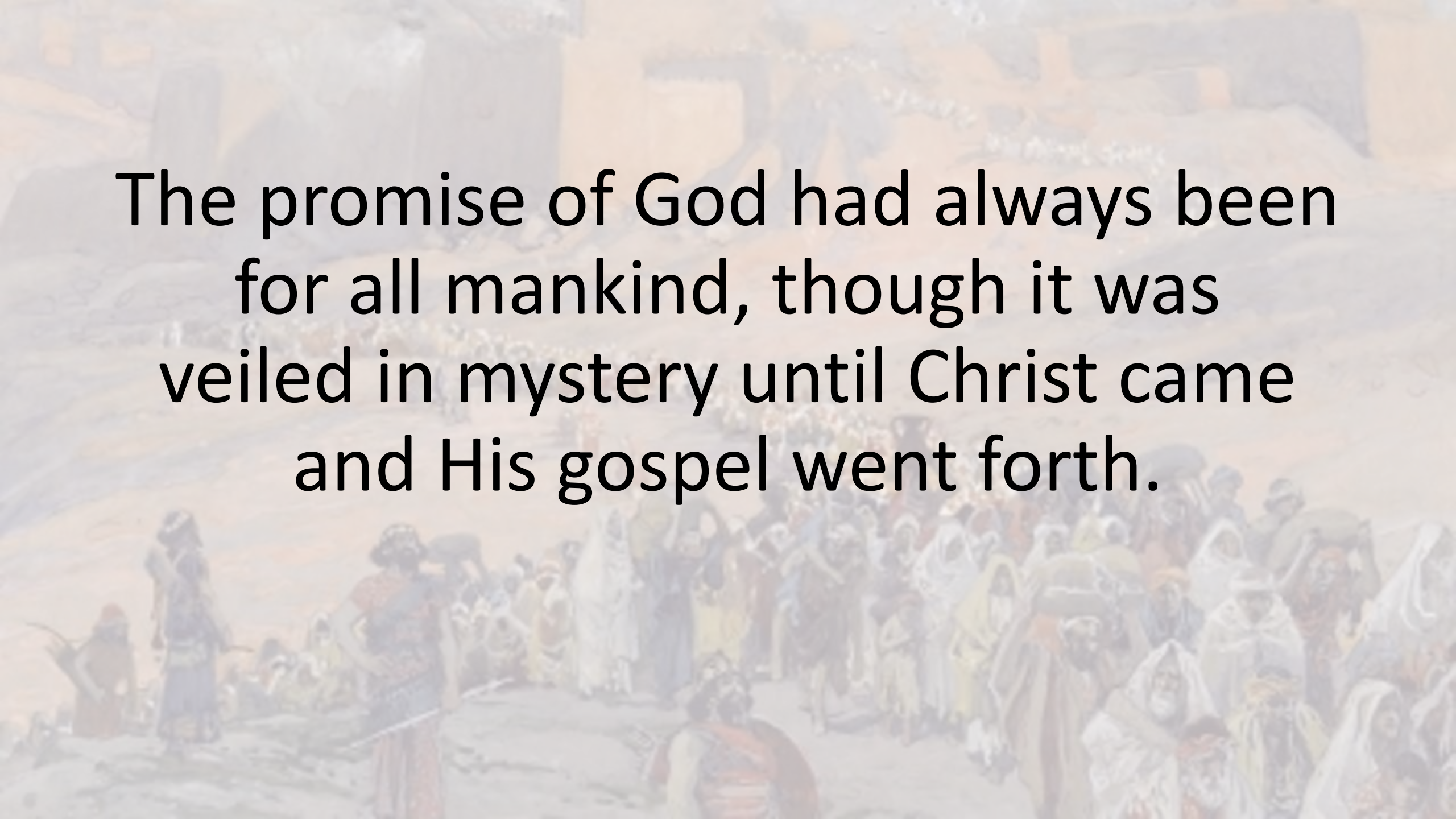


### **Jeremiah 3:17**

“At that time they will call Jerusalem ‘The Throne of the LORD,’ and all the nations will be gathered to it, to Jerusalem, for the name of the LORD; nor will they walk anymore after the stubbornness of their evil heart.”

### **Genesis 12:3**

“And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed.”



The promise of God had always been  
for all mankind, though it was  
veiled in mystery until Christ came  
and His gospel went forth.

## **Ephesians 3:1-6**

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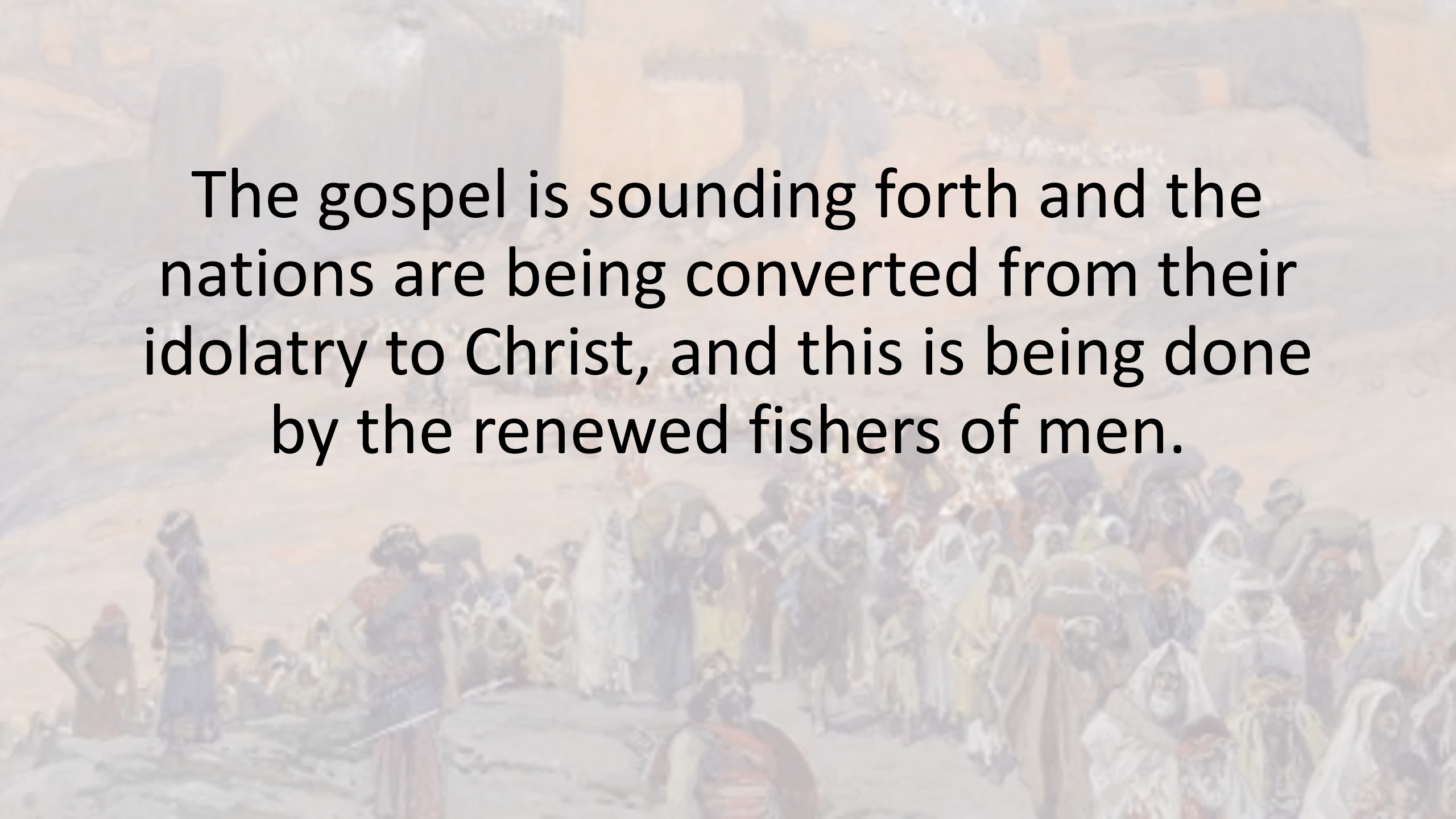
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The gospel is sounding forth and the nations are being converted from their idolatry to Christ, and this is being done by the renewed fishers of men.

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## **Matthew 4:19**

And He said to them,  
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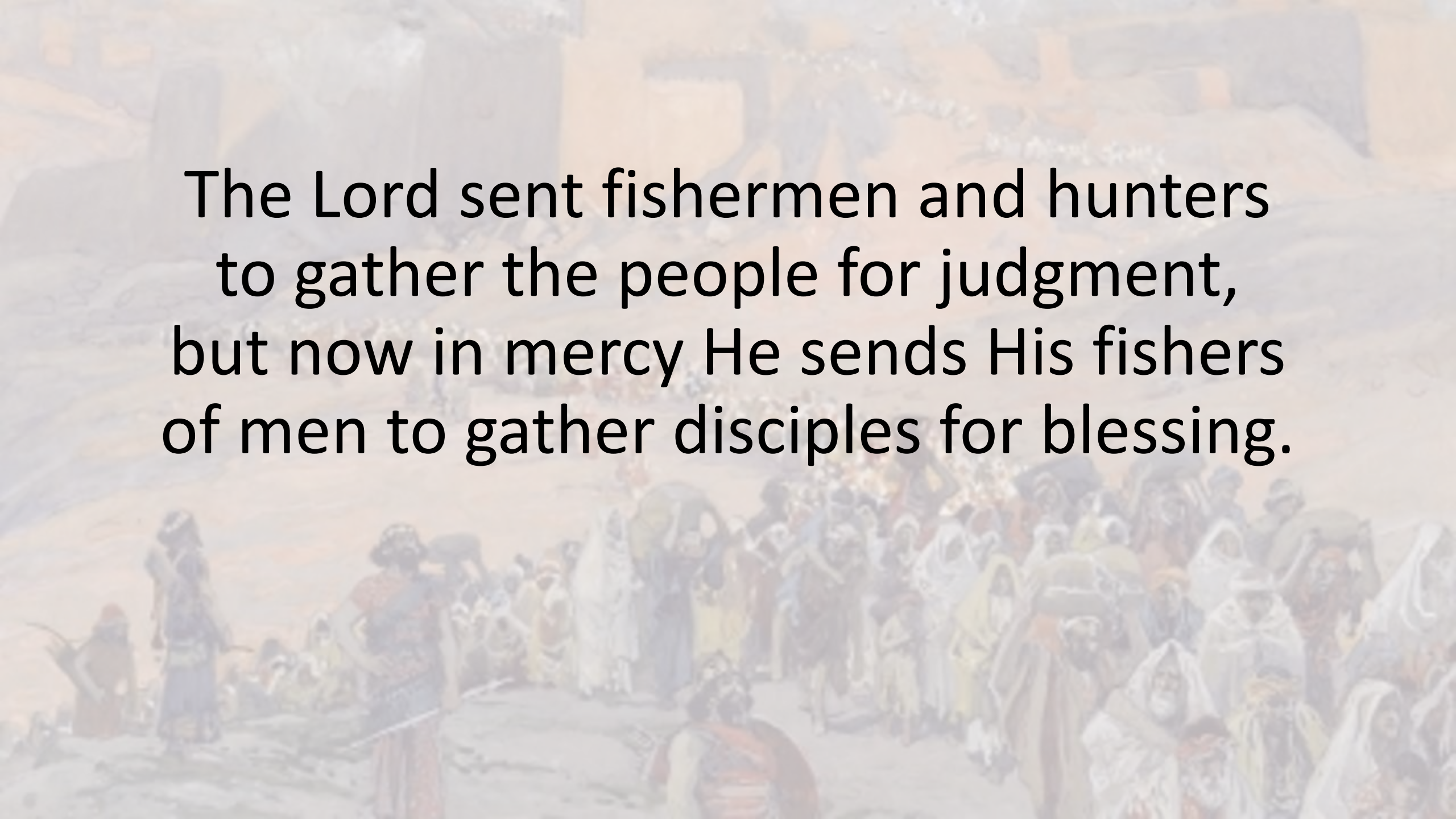
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## **Acts 1:8**

“And you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem,  
and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest  
part of the earth.”



The Lord sent fishermen and hunters  
to gather the people for judgment,  
but now in mercy He sends His fishers  
of men to gather disciples for blessing.

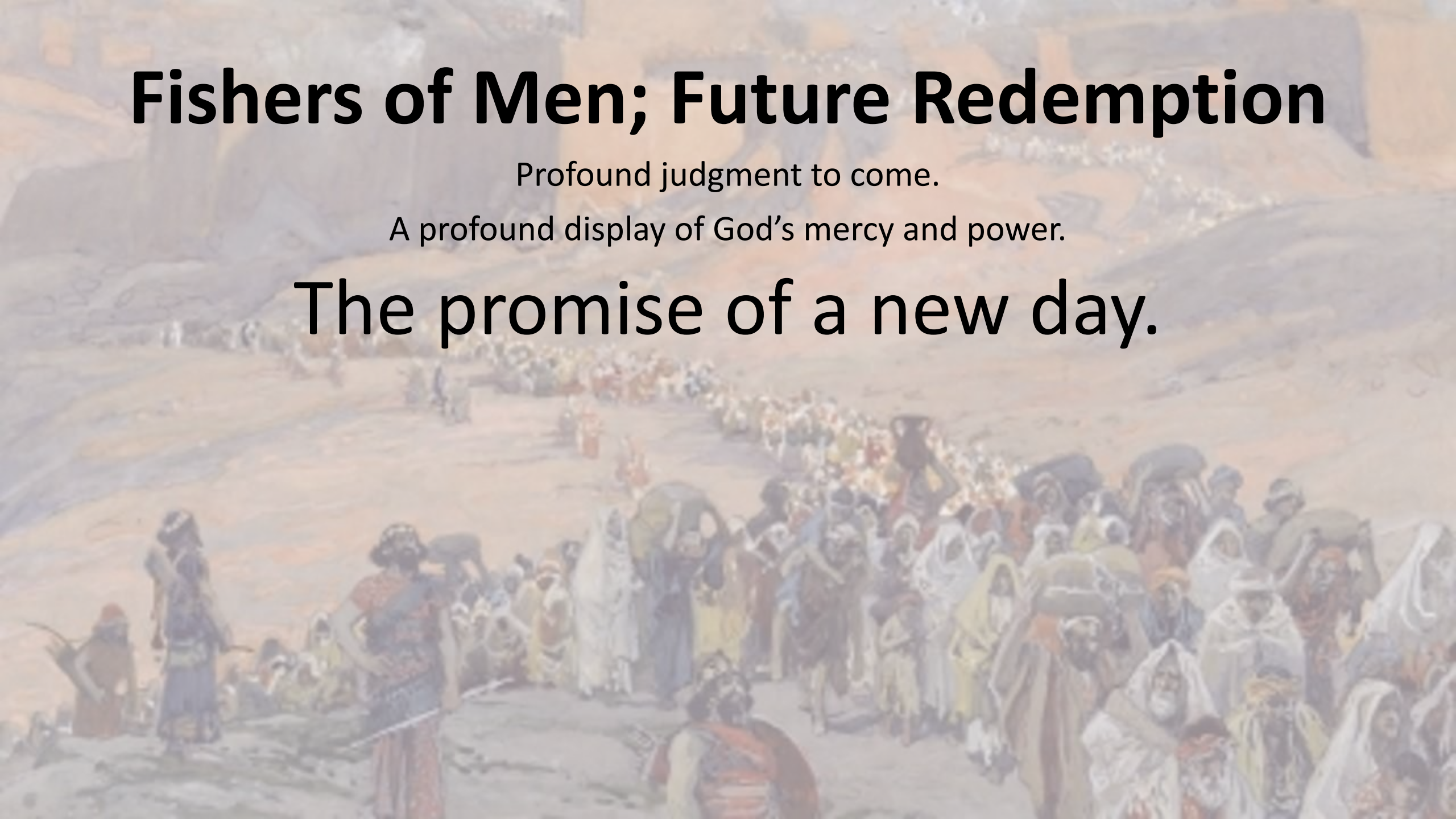


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This speaks to our need of God’s  
regenerating grace that alone awakens  
the soul to know and believe.

## **2 Corinthians 4:6**

For God, who said, “Light shall shine out of darkness,” is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.



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This is God's covenant commitment to all  
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You and I can now say with confidence,  
“You are our God, and we are Your people!”  
What a mercy that He would bring near  
those who deserved to be hurled out!



# Concluding Questions

Have you properly considered that no one will escape God's judgment?

Are you trusting in Christ as your mediator between you and a holy God?

Are you looking forward to the fullness of blessing found in the New Jerusalem?