



Palm Sunday to Resurrection Sunday

The Journey of Passion Week



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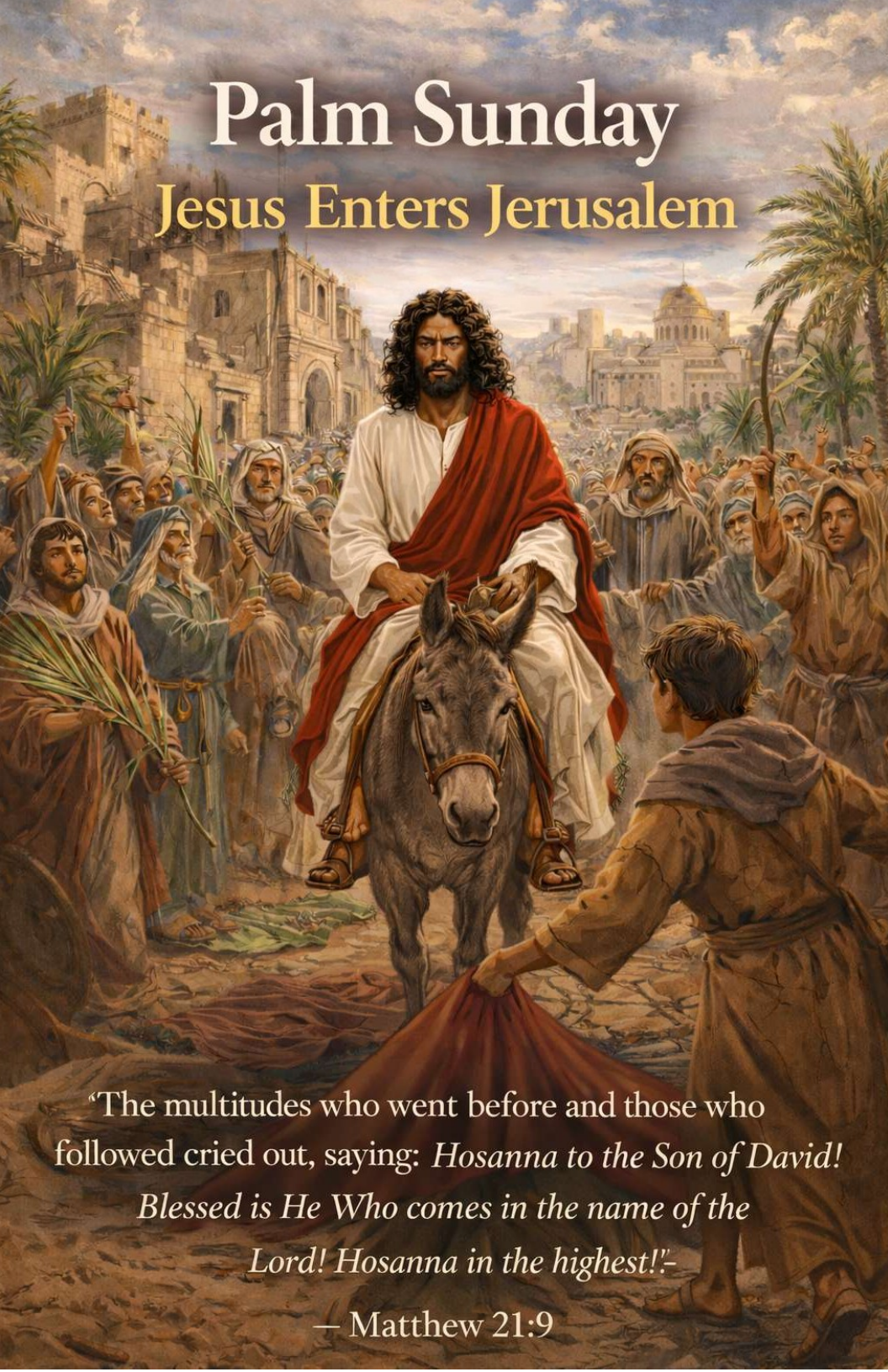
This handout guides us through the sacred journey of Passion Week, from Jesus' triumphant entry on Palm Sunday to His victorious resurrection on Resurrection Sunday. It highlights the events of this holy week and reveals the depth of Christ's sacrifice and love. Each day invites us to reflect on His humility, obedience, and the victory He secured for us.



Passion Week leads us to the foundation of our faith: the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It reminds us that Jesus willingly gave His life for our redemption and rose again, giving us victory, hope, and eternal life. As you walk through each day, take time to pray, reflect, and draw closer to Him. We've selected passages to give you a feel of some of what happened during this week

- **Palm Sunday:** Jesus enters Jerusalem as King (**Matthew 21:1-11**)
- **Holy Monday:** Jesus cleanses the temple (**Matthew 21:12-17**)
- **Holy Tuesday:** Jesus teaches and prepares His disciples (**Matthew 21-23**)
- **Wednesday:** A day of reflection
- **Maundy Thursday:** Jesus institutes the Last Supper and model's servant leadership. (**John 13**)
- **Good Friday:** Jesus is Crucified (**Luke 23**)
- **Holy Saturday:** Jesus' tomb is made secure (**Matthew 27: 62-66**)
- **Resurrection Sunday:** Jesus rises from the dead. (**Matthew 28:1-10**)





Palm Sunday

Jesus Enters Jerusalem

“The multitudes who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: *Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!*”-

— Matthew 21:9

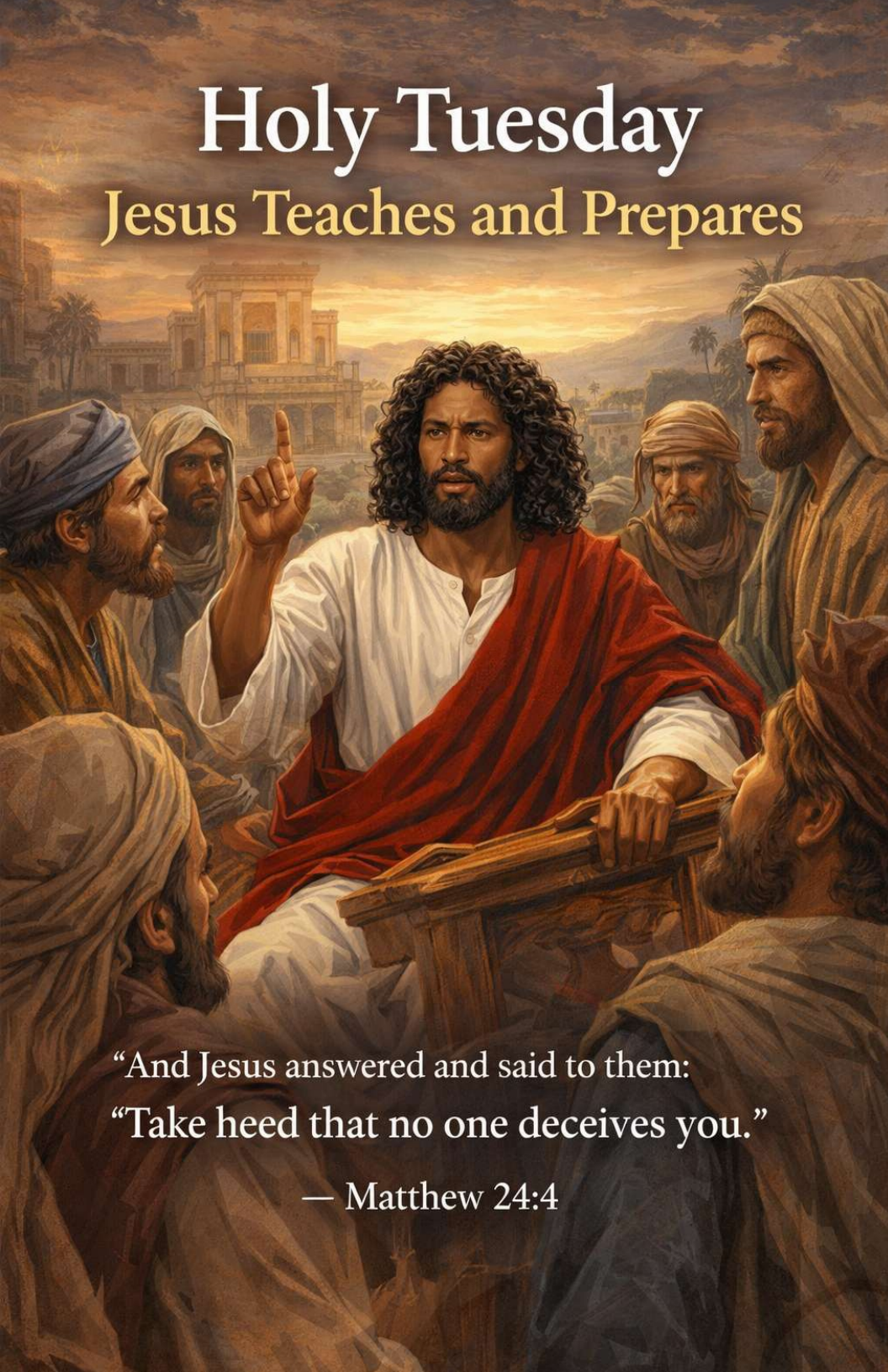
A dramatic illustration of Jesus cleansing the temple. Jesus, with long curly hair and a beard, wearing a white tunic and a red shawl, stands in the center. He holds a wooden staff aloft in his right hand and a wooden table in his left. The table is overflowing with gold coins, and many more are scattered on the floor. In the background, several men in traditional robes are seen pushing tables and benches, some with coins on them. The scene is set in a grand, stone-walled temple with arches and columns. In the background, there are braziers with flames, suggesting a hot or smoky atmosphere. The overall tone is one of righteous anger and divine judgment.

Holy Monday

Jesus Cleanses the Temple

“Then Jesus went into the temple of God and drove out all those who bought and sold in the temple ... and said to them, “It is written, “My house shall be called a house of prayer,” but you have made it a *den of thieves*.”

— Matthew 21:12-13



Holy Tuesday

Jesus Teaches and Prepares

“And Jesus answered and said to them:
“Take heed that no one deceives you.”

— Matthew 24:4

Holy Wednesday

A Day of Reflection

WEDNESDAY OF PASSION WEEK

Some Christian traditions refer to Wednesday of Passion Week as “Spy Wednesday,” suggesting it was the day Judas agreed to betray Jesus. However, the Gospels do not provide a clear, time-stamped account of events for this day as they do for the others (using phrases such as “in the morning,” “after two days,” “the next day,” or “the day of preparation”).

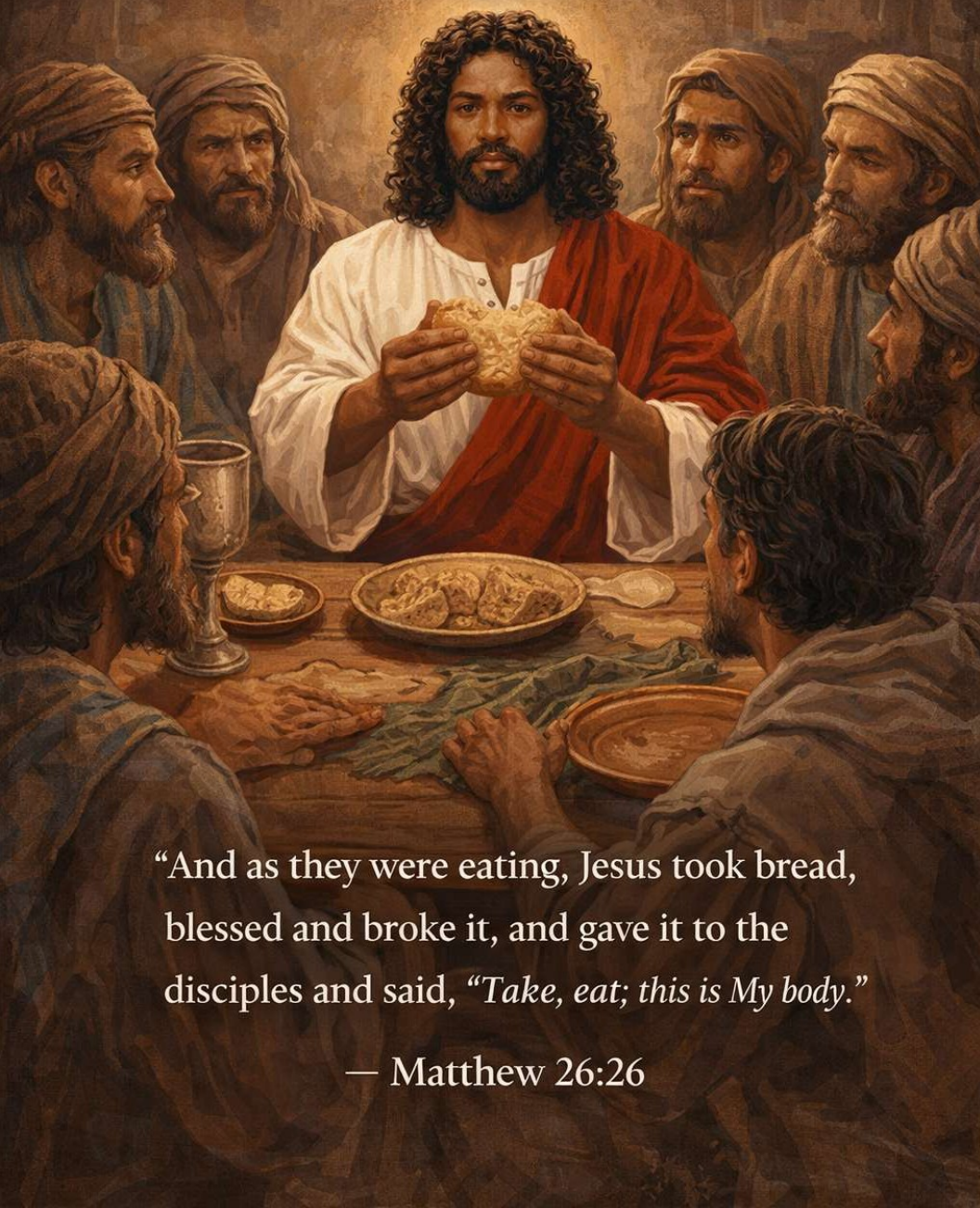
Because Scripture does not explicitly identify specific events for Wednesday, we choose not to fill this day with speculation or tradition. Instead, we use this day as an opportunity to remember that our confidence rests in what God has clearly revealed.

As we continue through this holy week, let us quiet our hearts before the Lord, resting in His Word, trusting in His plan, and preparing ourselves for the cross and the resurrection.

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Maundy Thursday

Jesus Shares the Last Supper



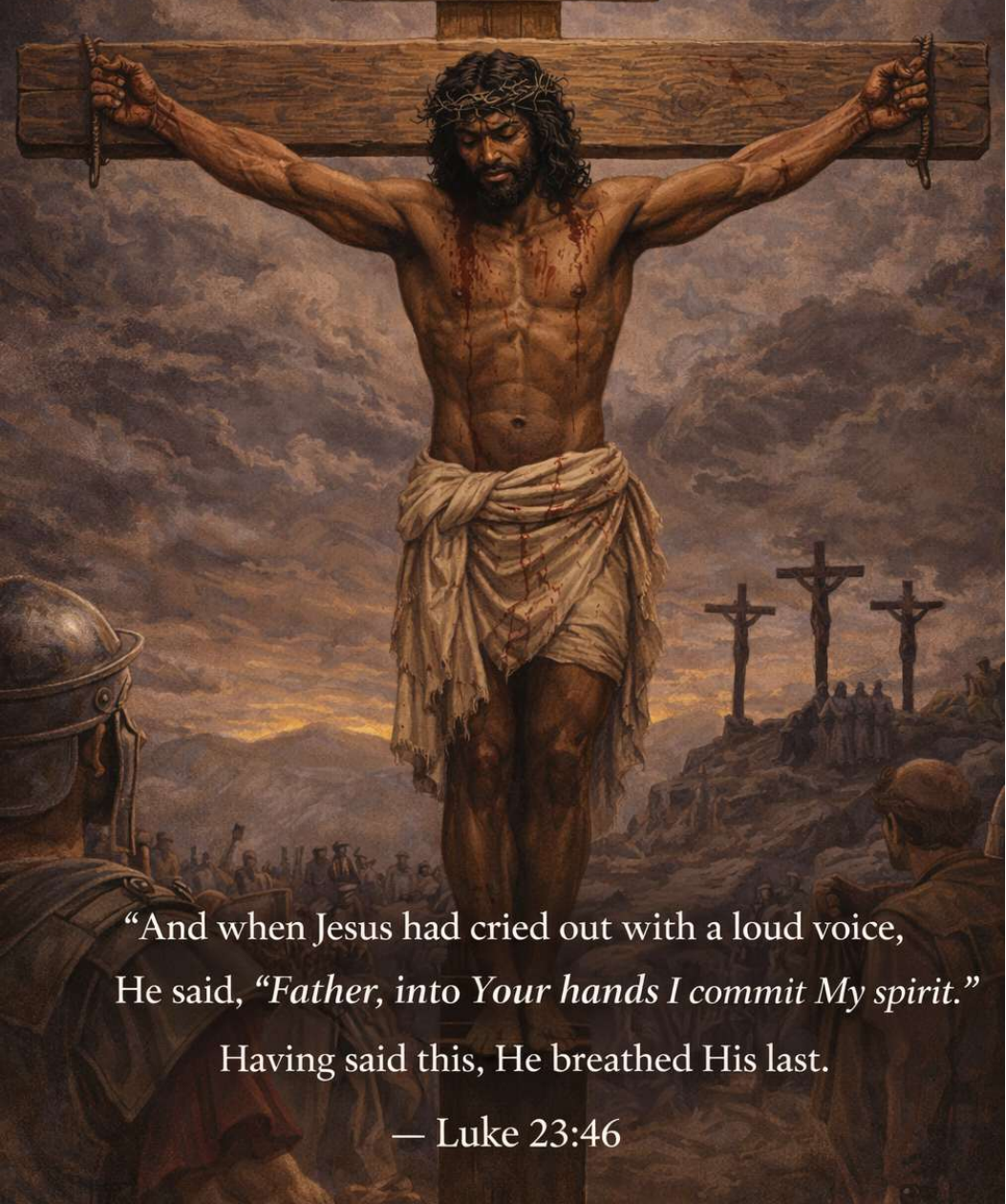
“And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, *“Take, eat; this is My body.”*”

— Matthew 26:26

Good Friday

Jesus is Crucified

JESUS OF NAZARETH,
THE KING OF THE JEWS.



“And when Jesus had cried out with a loud voice,
He said, *“Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit.”*”

Having said this, He breathed His last.

— Luke 23:46

Holy Saturday

Jesus is Laid in the Tomb



Jesus's body rests in a sealed tomb guarded
by Roman Soldiers.

— Matthew 27:62–66

Resurrection Sunday

Jesus Rises with All Power



Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

— Matthew 28:1–10

FROM SACRIFICE TO VICTORY

Jesus Resurrection: What Jesus Did.

"He is not here; for He is risen, as He said.
Come, see the place where the Lord lay."

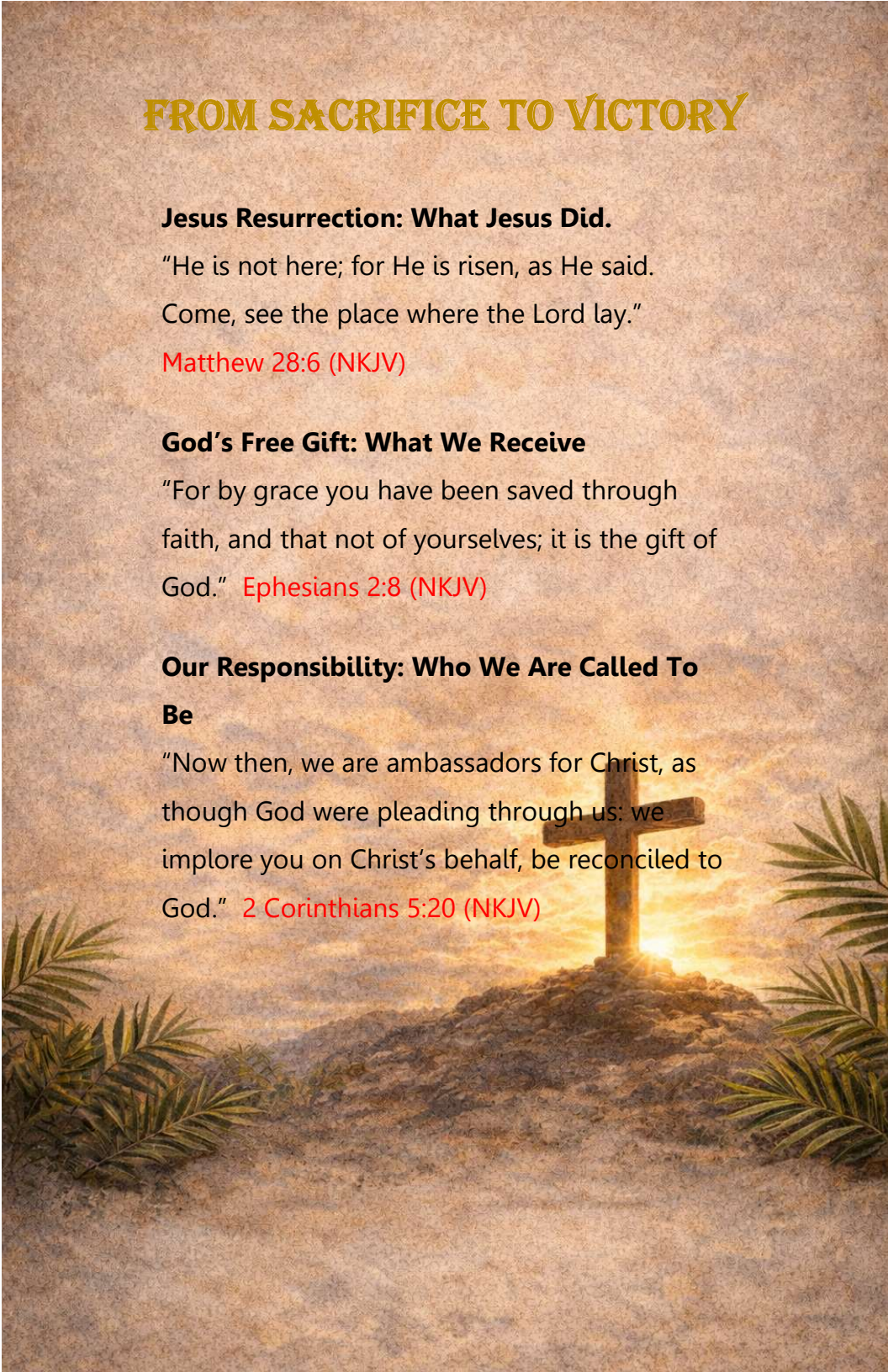
Matthew 28:6 (NKJV)

God's Free Gift: What We Receive

"For by grace you have been saved through
faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of
God." Ephesians 2:8 (NKJV)

Our Responsibility: Who We Are Called To Be

"Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as
though God were pleading through us: we
implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to
God." 2 Corinthians 5:20 (NKJV)



“WHAT NOW?”

Because of the resurrection, we are called to live differently.

- **Walk in the new life Christ has given you.**
- **Share the good news of Jesus with others.**
- **Live in faith, hope, and love daily.**
- **Remember that the same power that raised Jesus lives in you.**

The resurrection is not just an event to remember, it's a call to transformation and service.

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