

A SERIES IN

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OUR IDENTITY, CALLING, & CONDUCT
TOGETHER IN CHRIST





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CHRISTORICAL RECONCILIATION

Ephesians 2:11–22





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How does *Israel's* Messiah save *Gentiles*?





CHRISTORICAL RECONCILIATION

#1 | Relationship

#2 | Reconciliation

#3 | Reception





#1 | RELATIONSHIP

with God

Ephesians 2:11–13





RELATIONSHIP

EPHESIANS 2:11–12

¹¹ Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the uncircumcision” by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands—

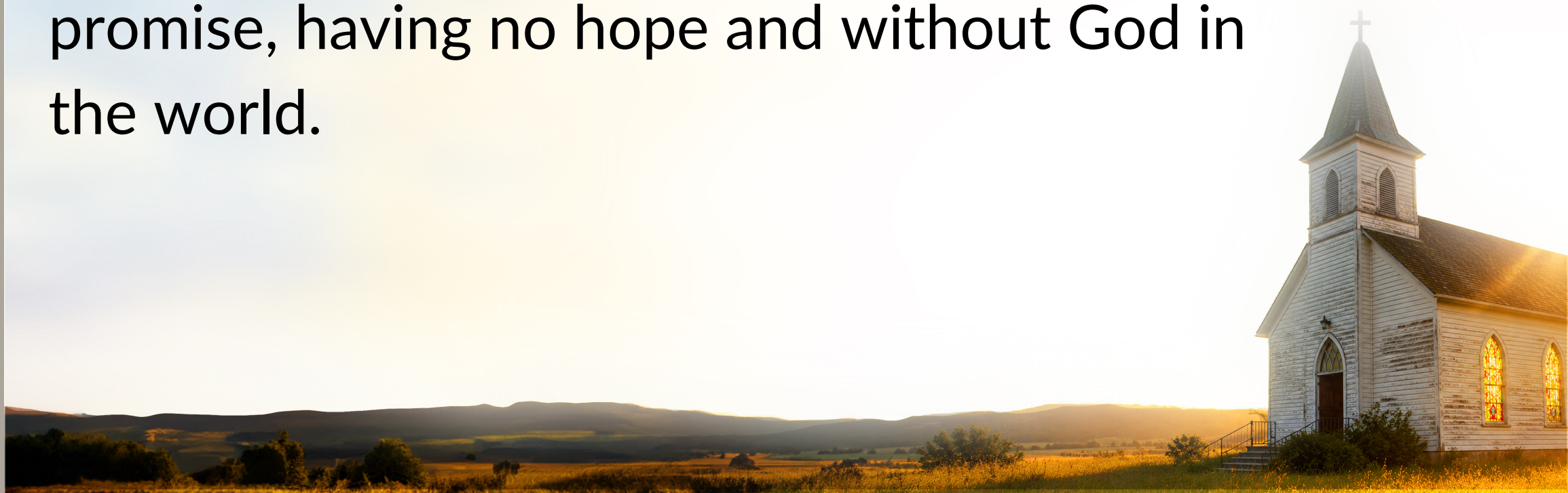




RELATIONSHIP

EPHESIANS 2:11–12

¹² remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.





RELATIONSHIP

GENESIS 12:1–3

¹ Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you.



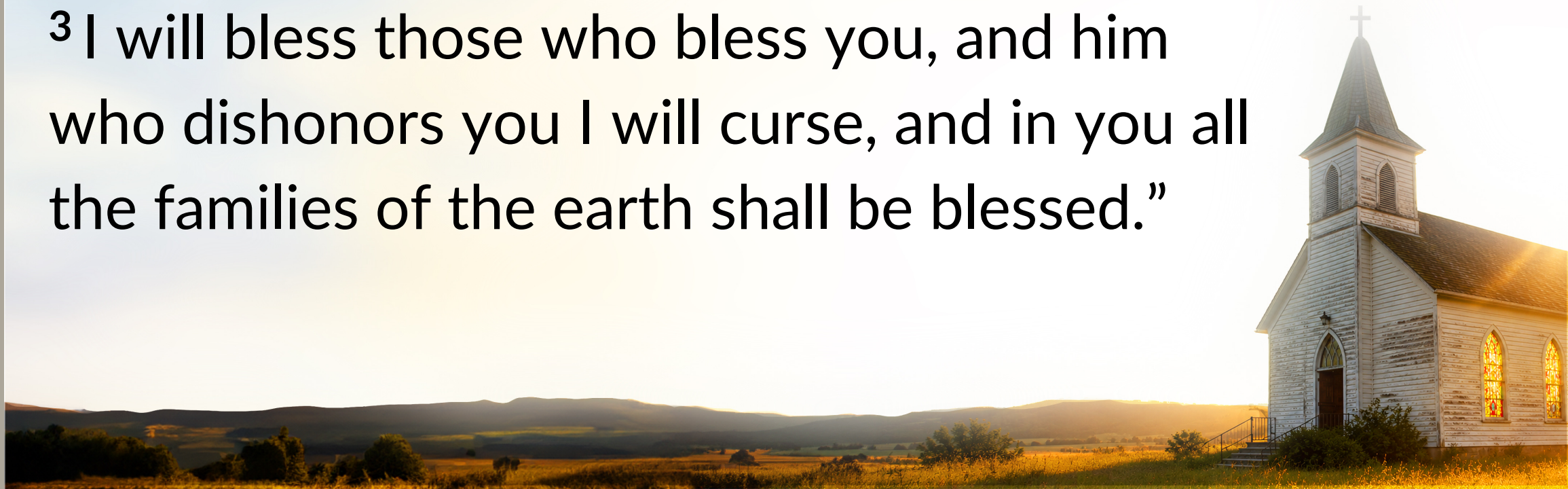


RELATIONSHIP

GENESIS 12:1–3

² And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.

³ I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”





RELATIONSHIP

GENESIS 15:18–21

¹⁸ On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, “To your offspring I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates,

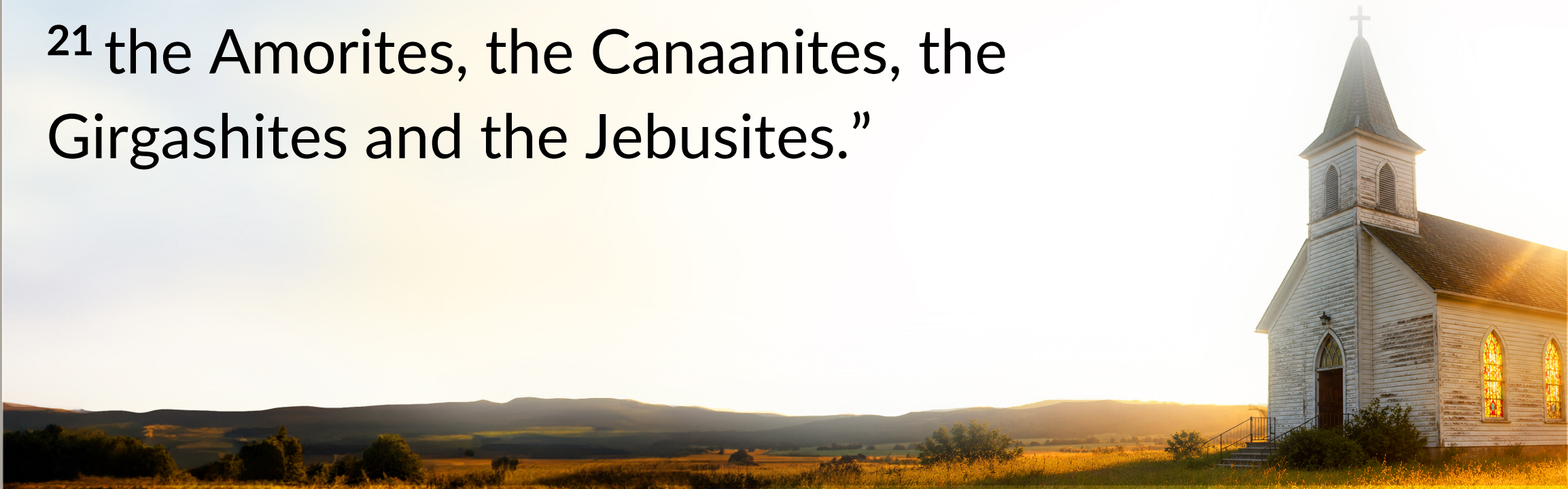




RELATIONSHIP

GENESIS 15:18–21

¹⁹ the land of the Kenites, the Kenizzites,
the Kadmonites,
²⁰ the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Rephaim,
²¹ the Amorites, the Canaanites, the
Girgashites and the Jebusites.”





RELATIONSHIP

2 SAMUEL 7:8–13, 16

⁸ Now, therefore, thus you shall say to my servant David, ‘Thus says the LORD of hosts, I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over my people Israel.

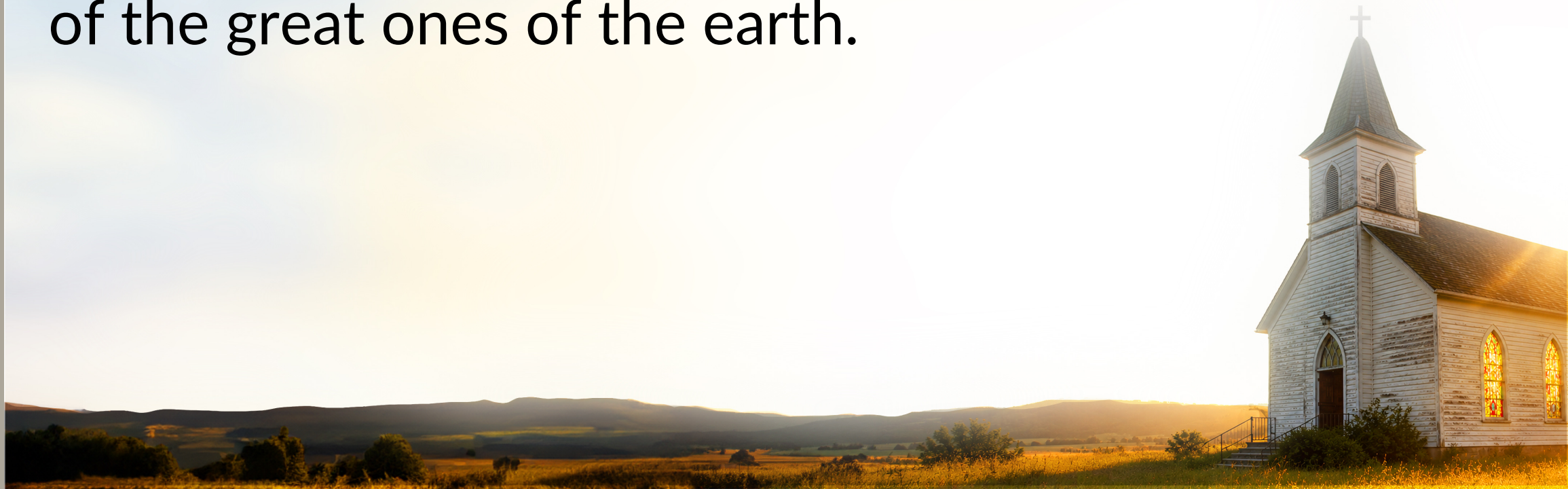




RELATIONSHIP

2 SAMUEL 7:8–13, 16

⁹ And I have been with you wherever you went and have cut off all your enemies from before you. And I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth.

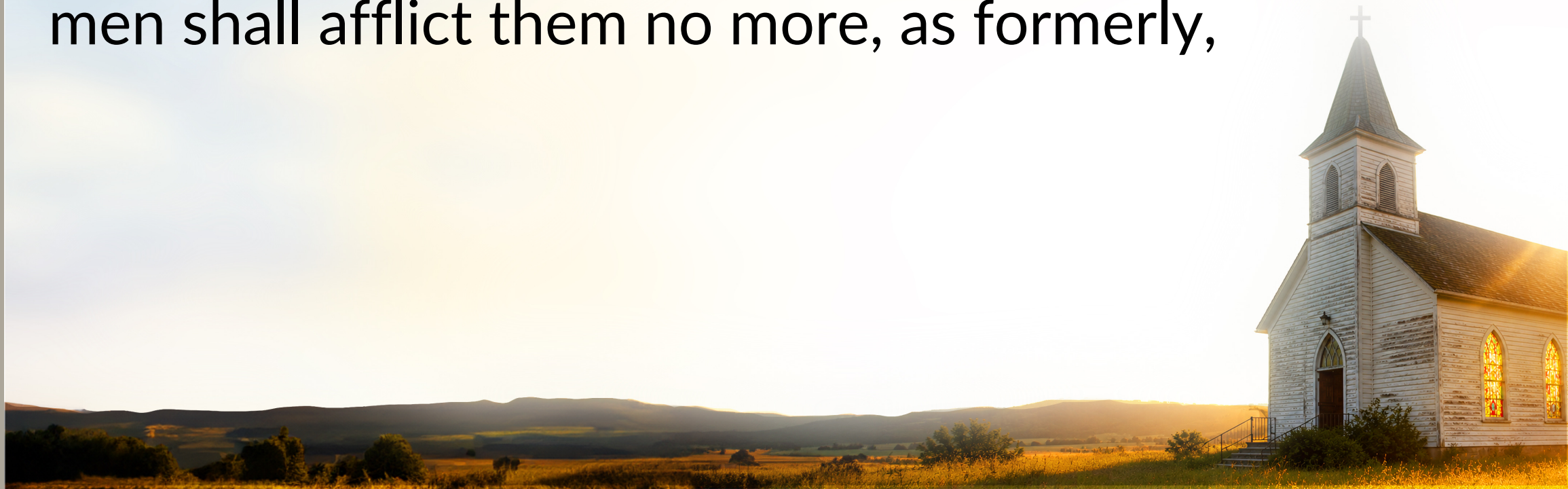




RELATIONSHIP

2 SAMUEL 7:8–13, 16

¹⁰ And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may dwell in their own place and be disturbed no more. And violent men shall afflict them no more, as formerly,

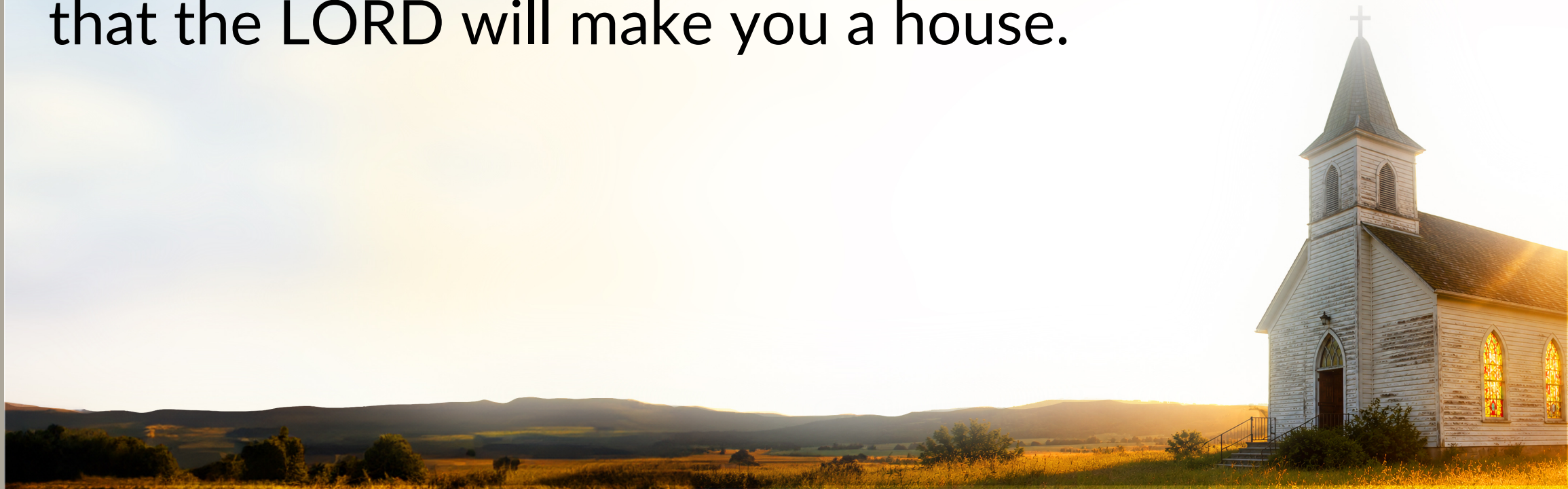




RELATIONSHIP

2 SAMUEL 7:8–13, 16

¹¹ from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel. And I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house.

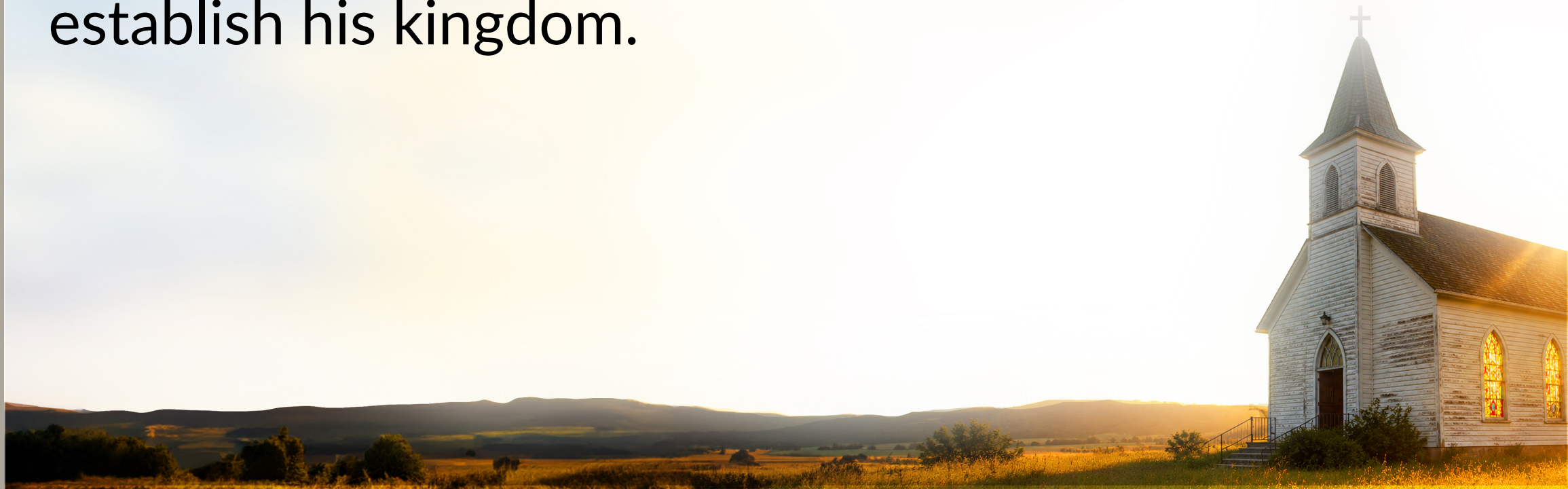




RELATIONSHIP

2 SAMUEL 7:8–13, 16

¹² When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom.



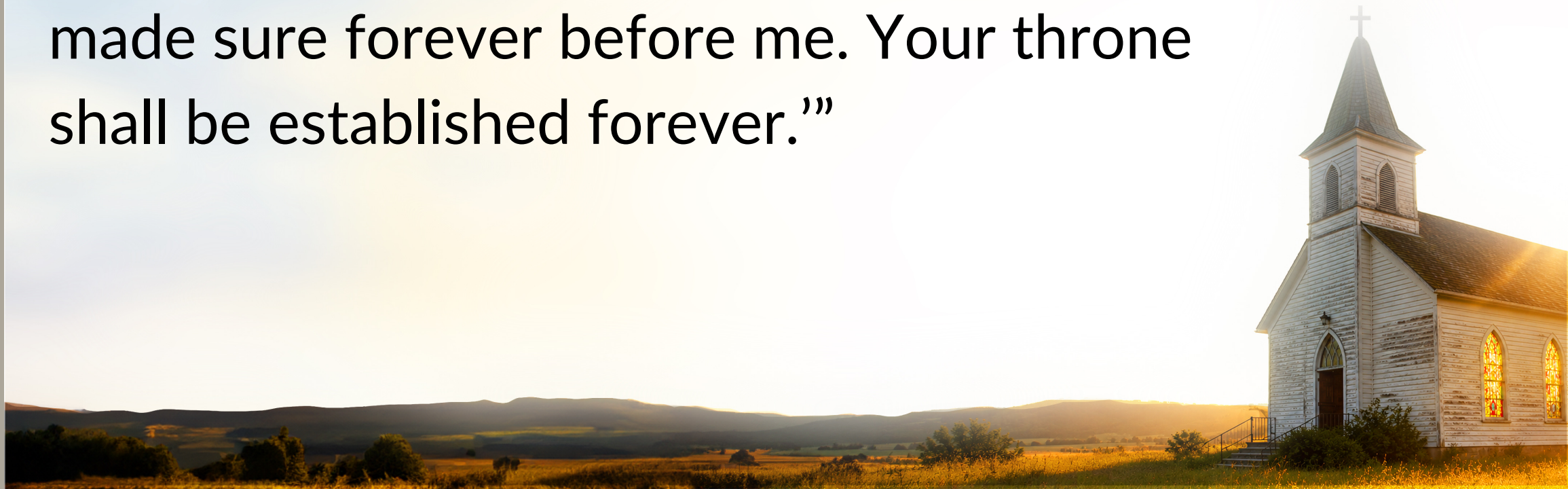


RELATIONSHIP

2 SAMUEL 7:8–13, 16

¹³ He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.

¹⁶ And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever.””





RELATIONSHIP

JEREMIAH 31:31–34

³¹ “Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah,

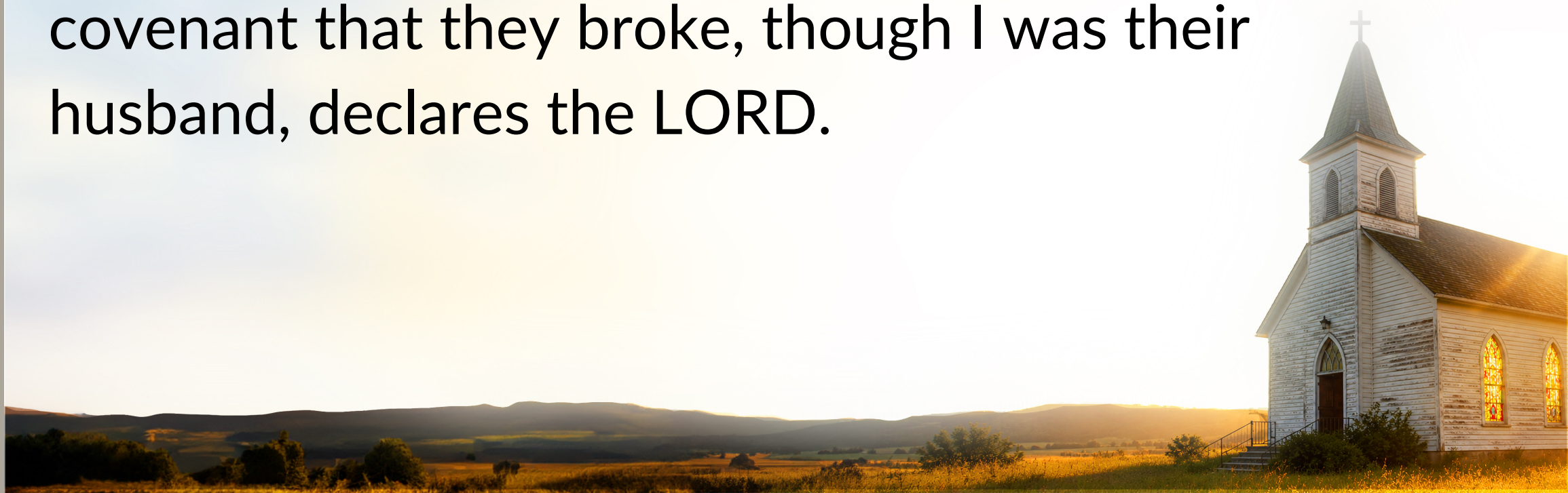




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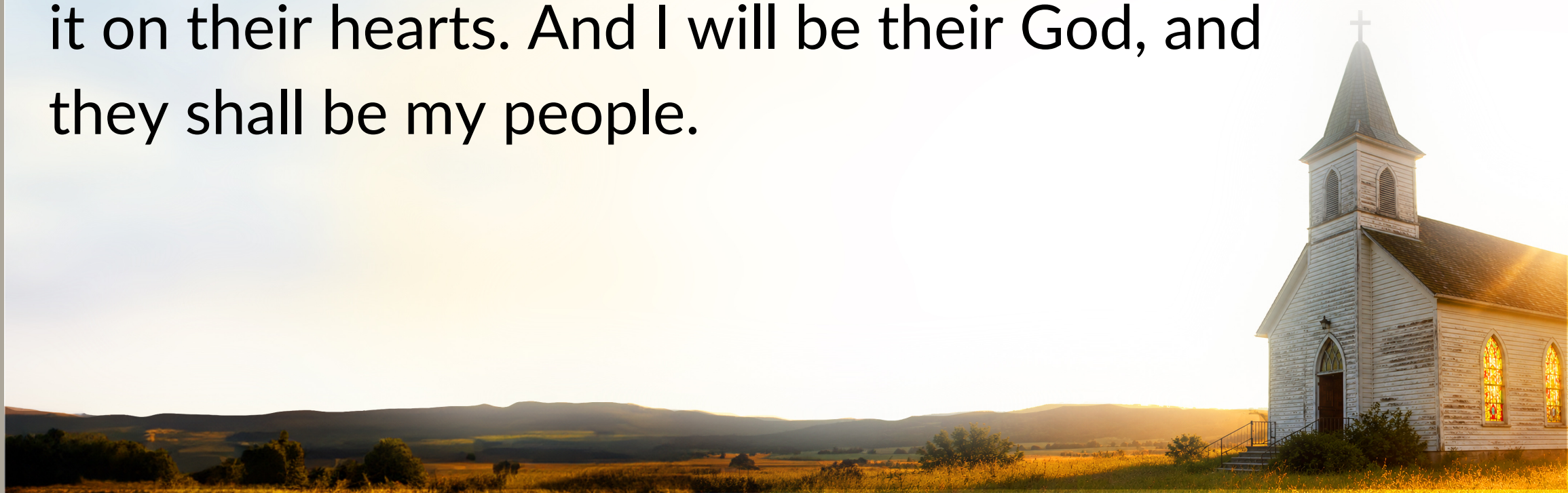
JEREMIAH 31:31–34

³² not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD.





³³ For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

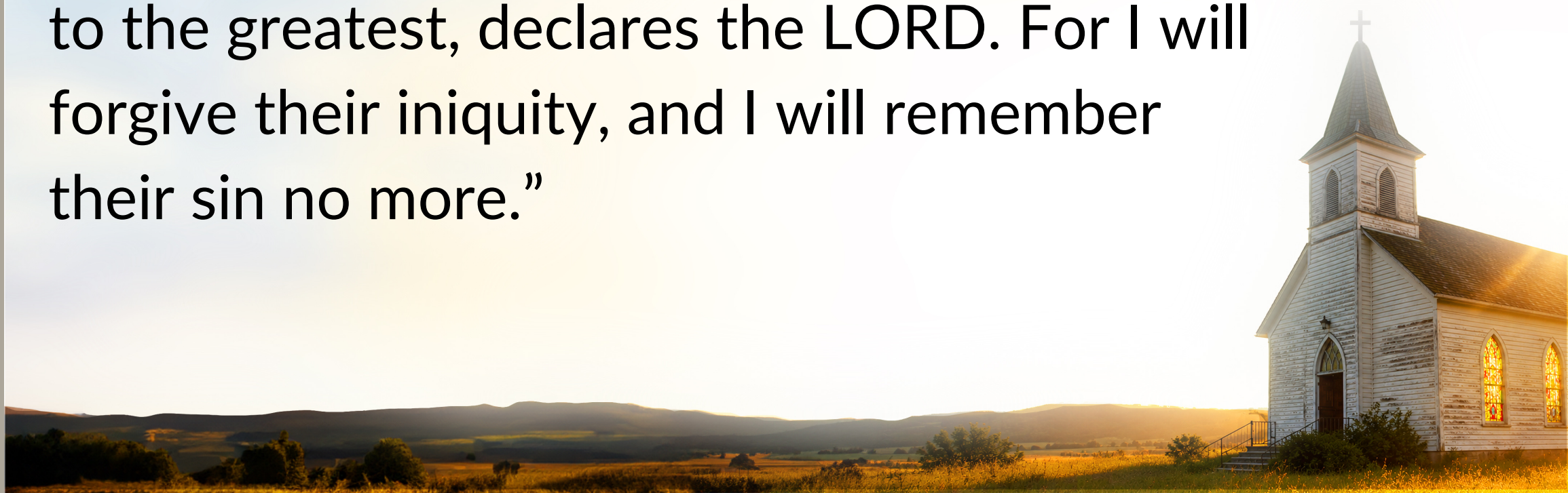




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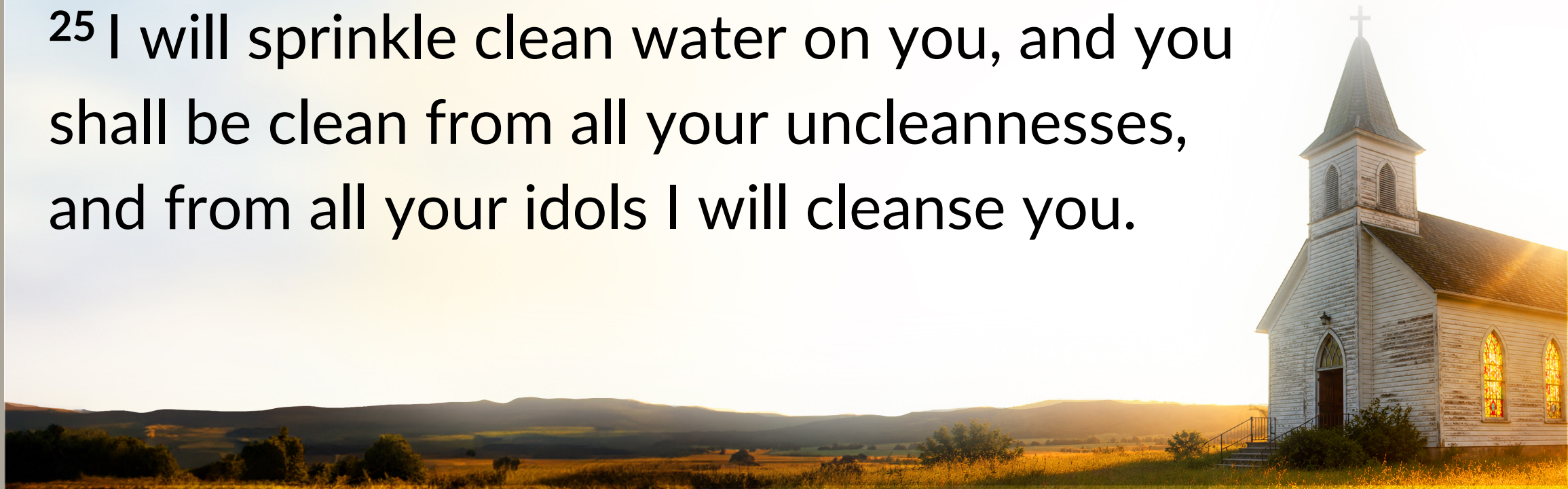
³⁴ And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”





²⁴ I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land.

²⁵ I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you.



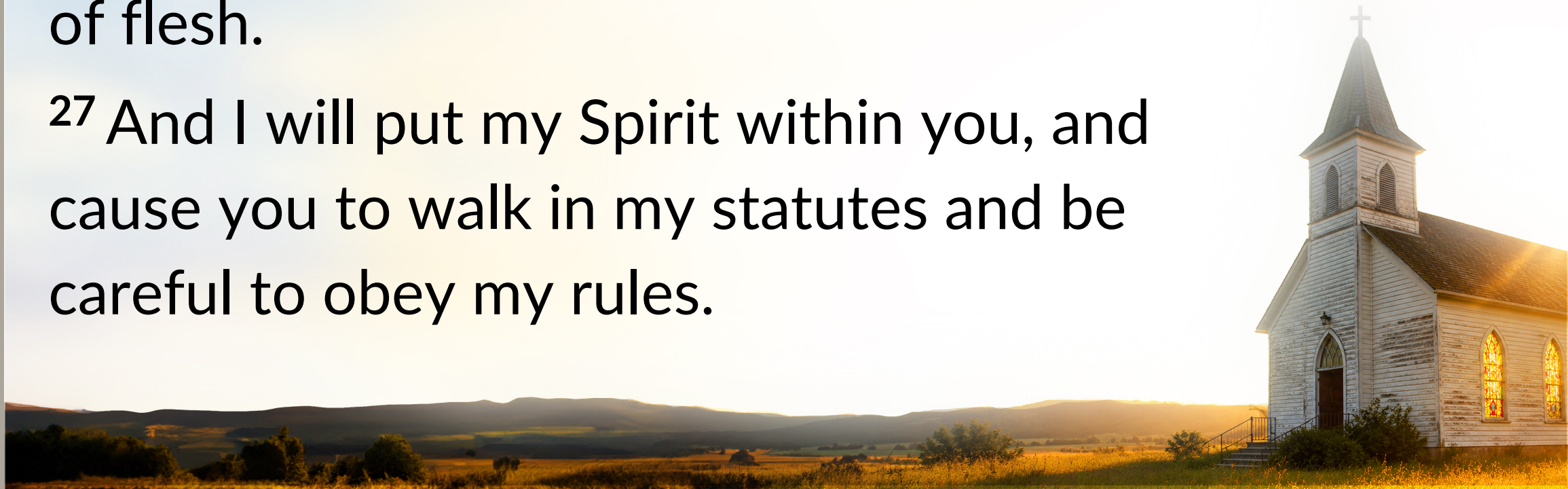


RELATIONSHIP

EZEKIEL 36:24–29

²⁶ And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

²⁷ And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.



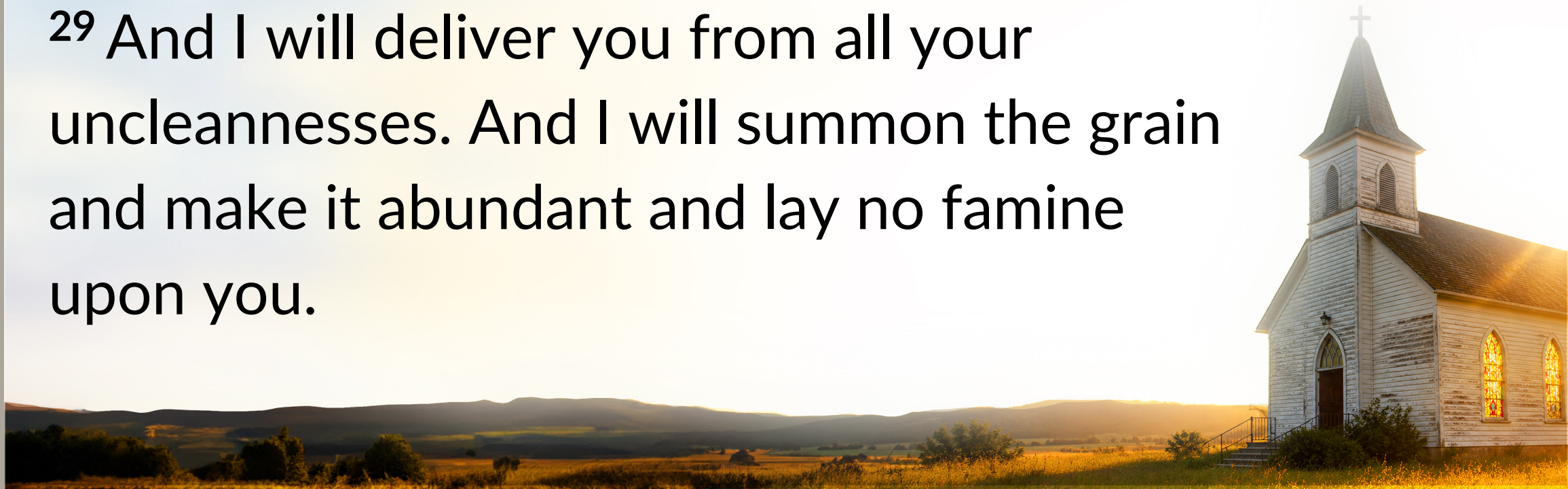


RELATIONSHIP

EZEKIEL 36:24–29

²⁸ You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

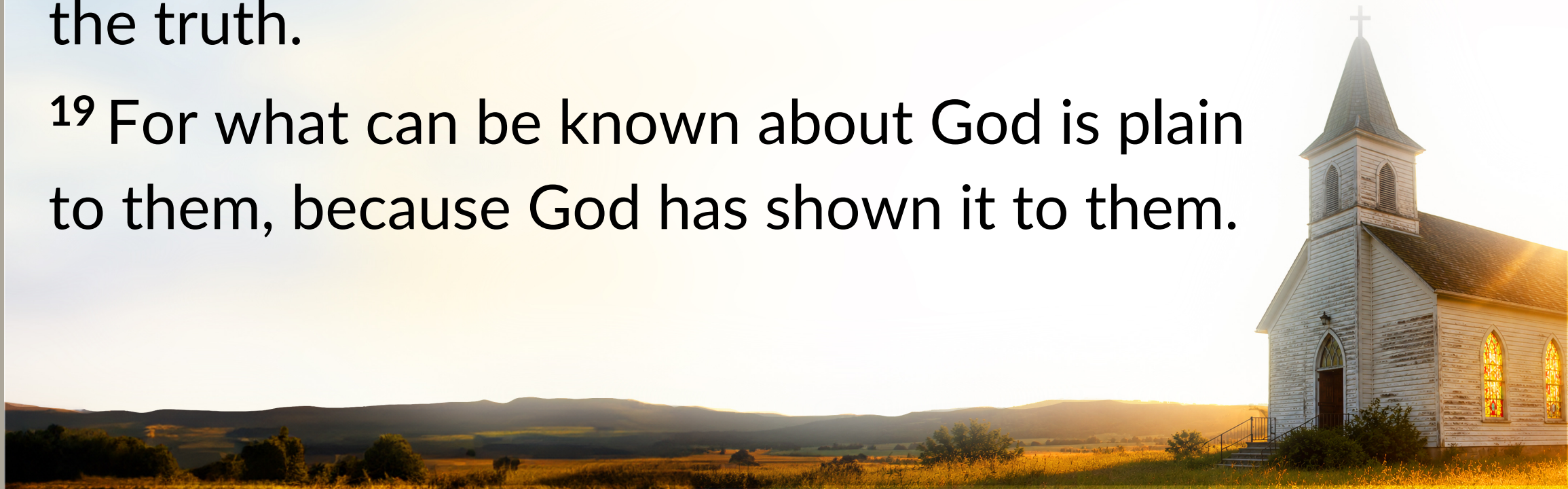
²⁹ And I will deliver you from all your uncleannesses. And I will summon the grain and make it abundant and lay no famine upon you.





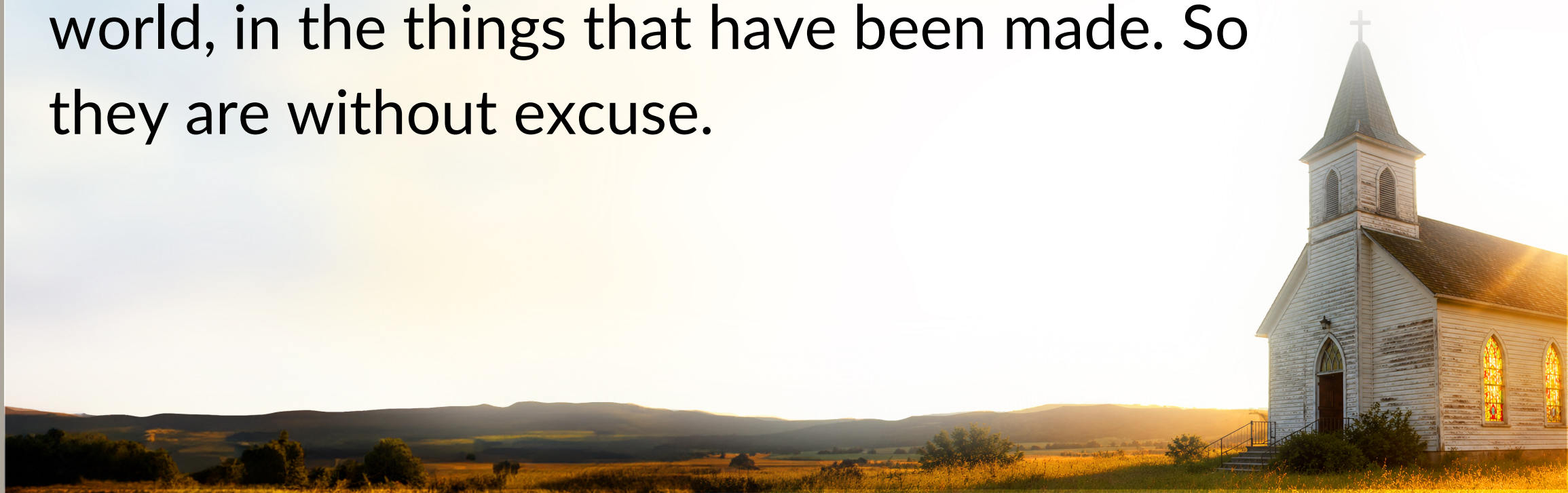
¹⁸ For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth.

¹⁹ For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them.





²⁰ For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse.





²¹ For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.





²² Claiming to be wise, they became fools,
²³ and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things.





¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.





RELATIONSHIP

ISAIAH 56:3a, 6–8

³ Let not the foreigner who has joined himself to the LORD say, “The LORD will surely separate me from his people”;

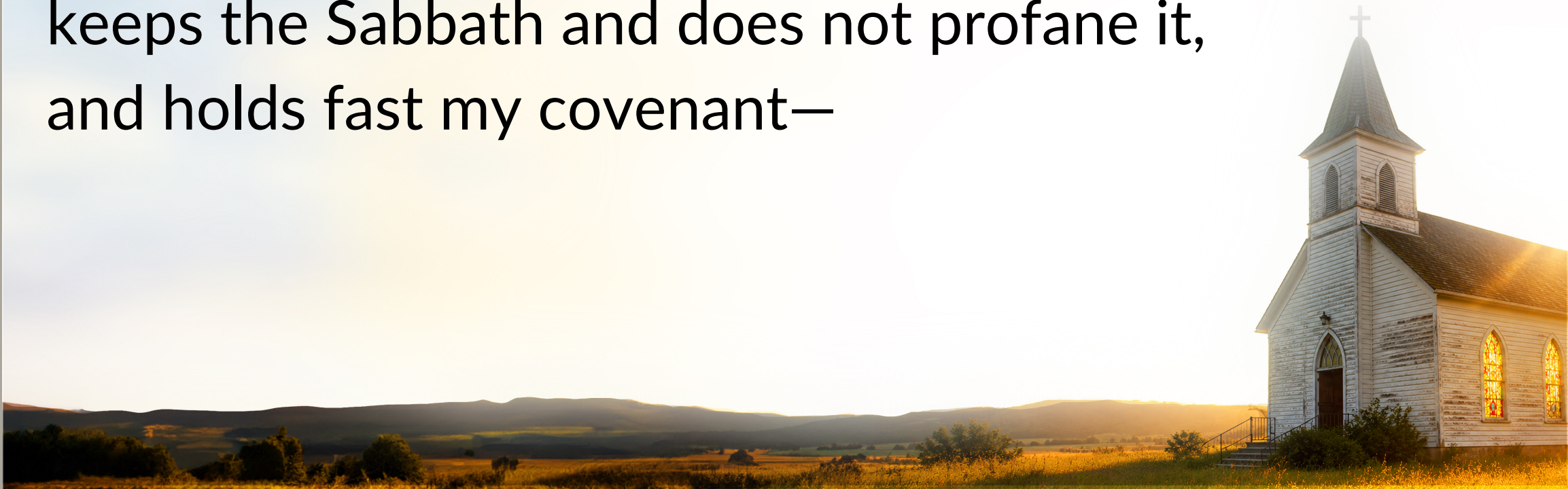




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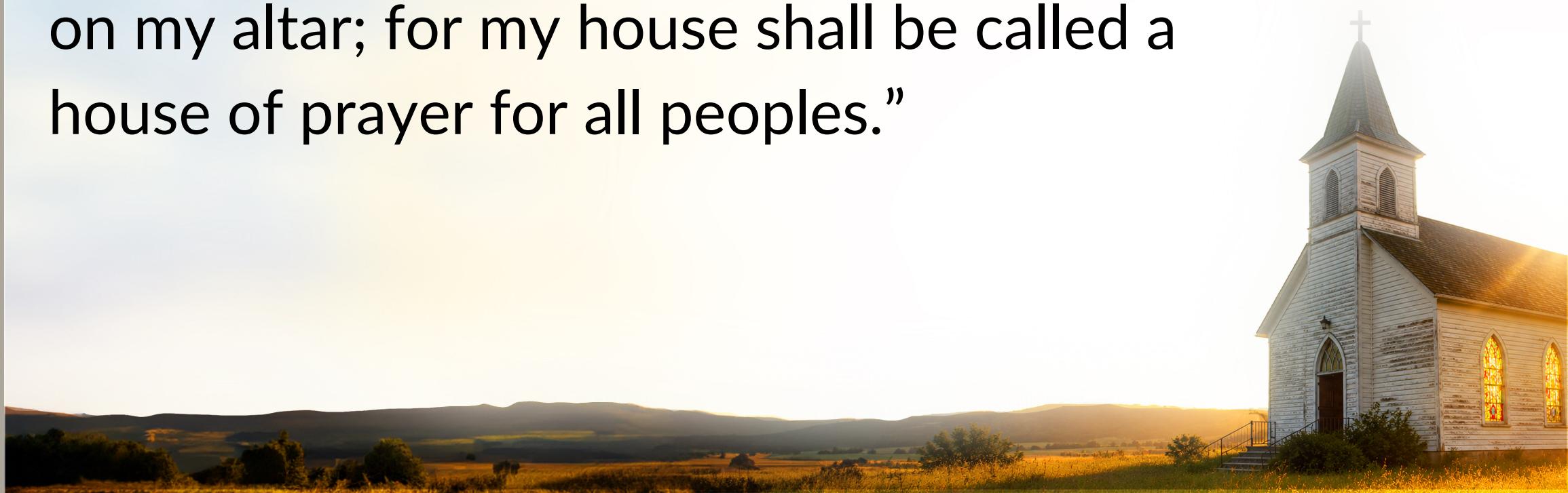
ISAIAH 56:3a, 6–8

⁶ “And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it, and holds fast my covenant—





⁷ these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.”





RELATIONSHIP

ISAIAH 56:3a, 6–8

⁸ The Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares, “I will gather yet others to him besides those already gathered.”





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RELATIONSHIP

Intimate Relationship
with God





#1 | RELATIONSHIP

with God

Ephesians 2:11–13





#2 | RECONCILIATION

with God and His People

Ephesians 2:14–18



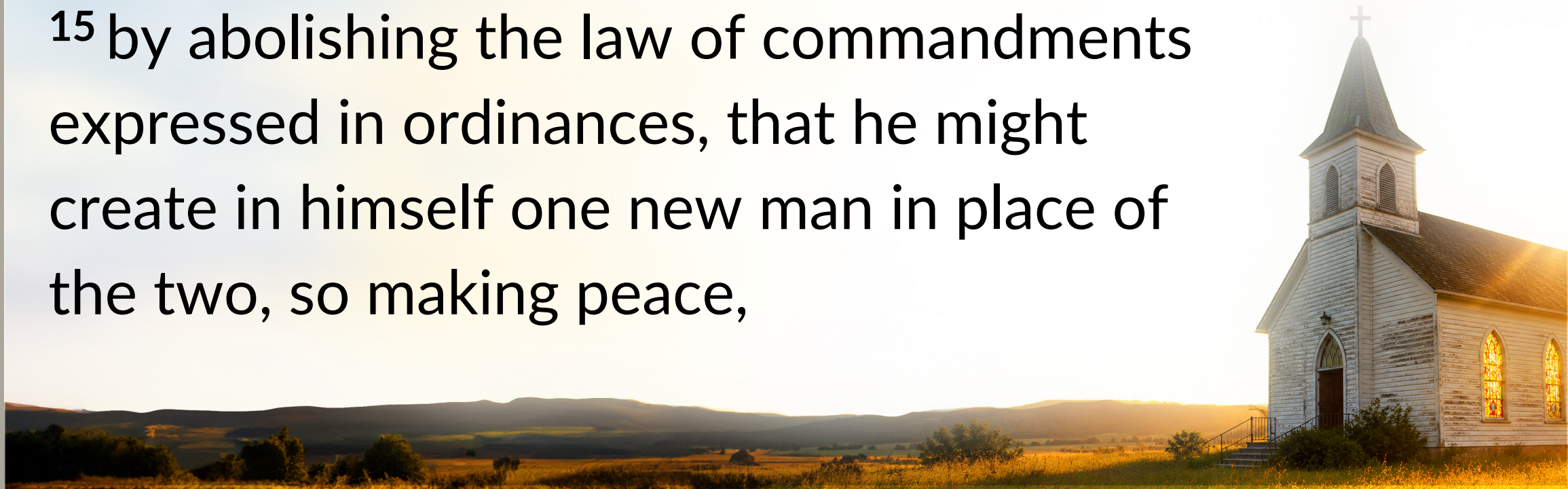


RECONCILIATION

EPHESIANS 2:14–18

¹⁴ For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility

¹⁵ by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace,





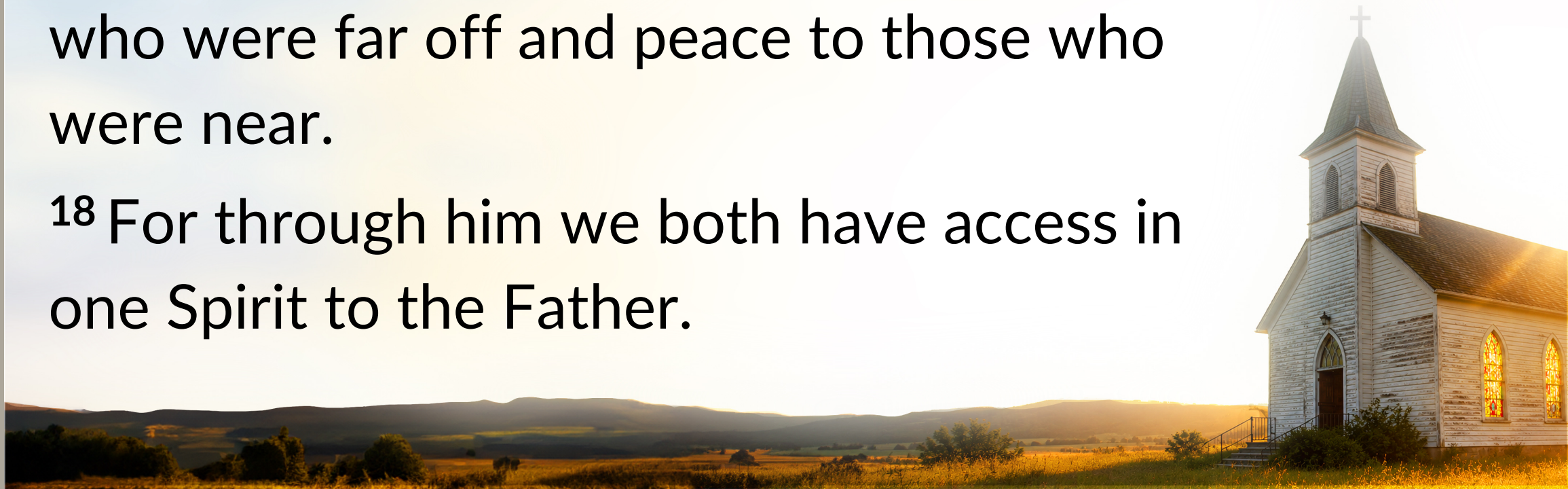
RECONCILIATION

EPHESIANS 2:14–18

¹⁶ and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.

¹⁷ And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near.

¹⁸ For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.





RECONCILIATION

JOEL 2:28–29, 32a

²⁸ And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.





RECONCILIATION

JOEL 2:28–29, 32a

²⁹ Even on the male and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit.

³² And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.





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RECONCILIATION

Comprehensive Reconciliation
with God *and his people*





#2 | RECONCILIATION

with God and His People

Ephesians 2:14–18





#3 | RECEPTION

into God's Household

Ephesians 2:19-22



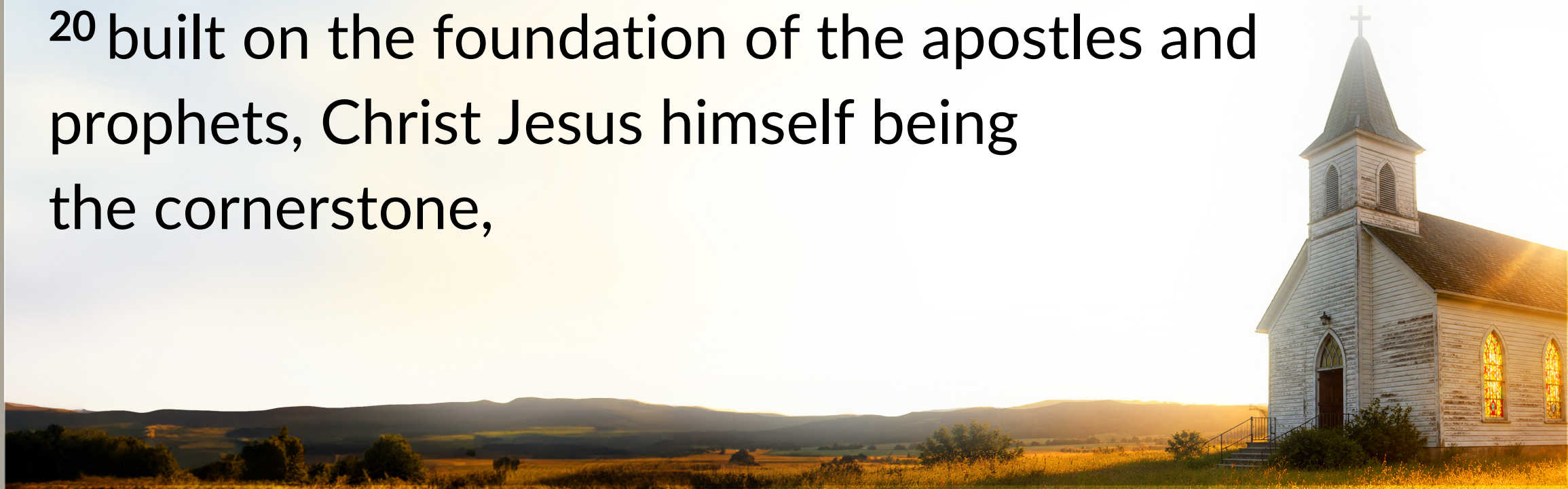


RECEPTION

EPHESIANS 2:19–22

¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens,
but you are fellow citizens with the saints and
members of the household of God,

²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and
prophets, Christ Jesus himself being
the cornerstone,





RECEPTION

EPHESIANS 2:19–22

²¹ in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord.

²² In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.





RECEPTION

JOHN 10:14–16

¹⁴ I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me,

¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep.





RECEPTION

JOHN 10:14–16

¹⁶ And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.





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RECEPTION

Full Reception into membership
of God's household





#3 | RECEPTION

into God's Household

Ephesians 2:19–22

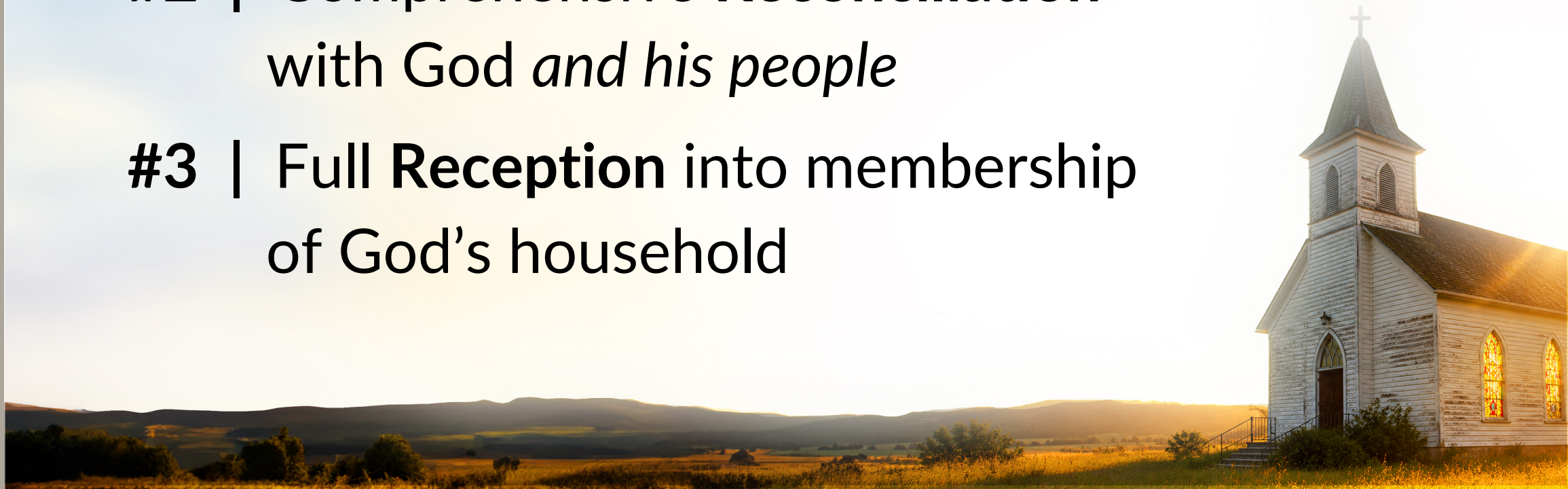




CHRISTORICAL RECONCILIATION

Jesus' sacrificial death brings Gentile believers...

- #1** | Intimate **Relationship** with God
- #2** | Comprehensive **Reconciliation**
with God *and his people*
- #3** | Full **Reception** into membership
of God's household

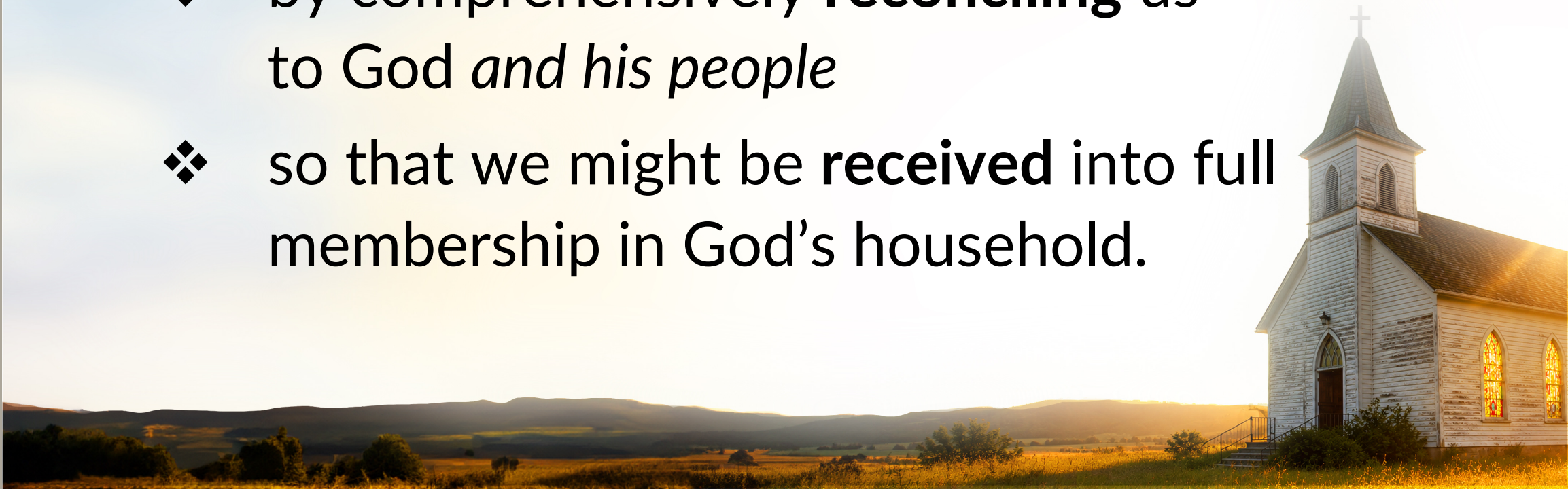




CONCLUSION

Jesus' sacrificial death brings Gentile believers:

- ❖ into intimate **relationship** with God
- ❖ by comprehensively **reconciling** us to God *and his people*
- ❖ so that we might be **received** into full membership in God's household.

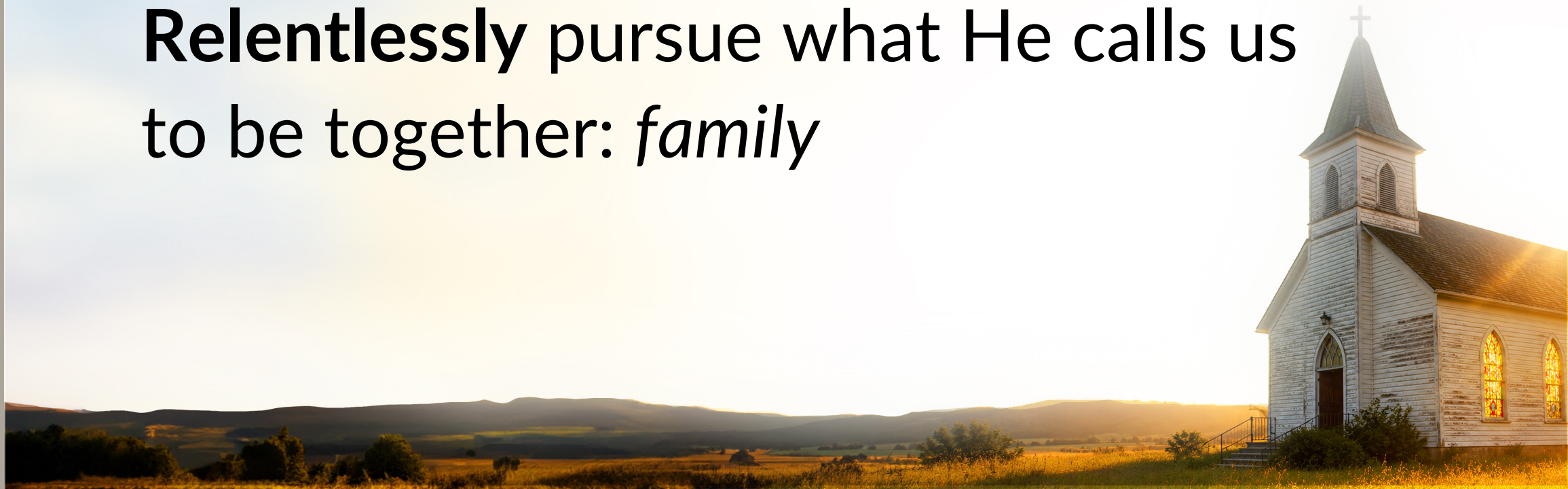




Remember what we were: *strangers*

Rejoice in what He has made us: *heirs*

Relentlessly pursue what He calls us
to be together: *family*



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