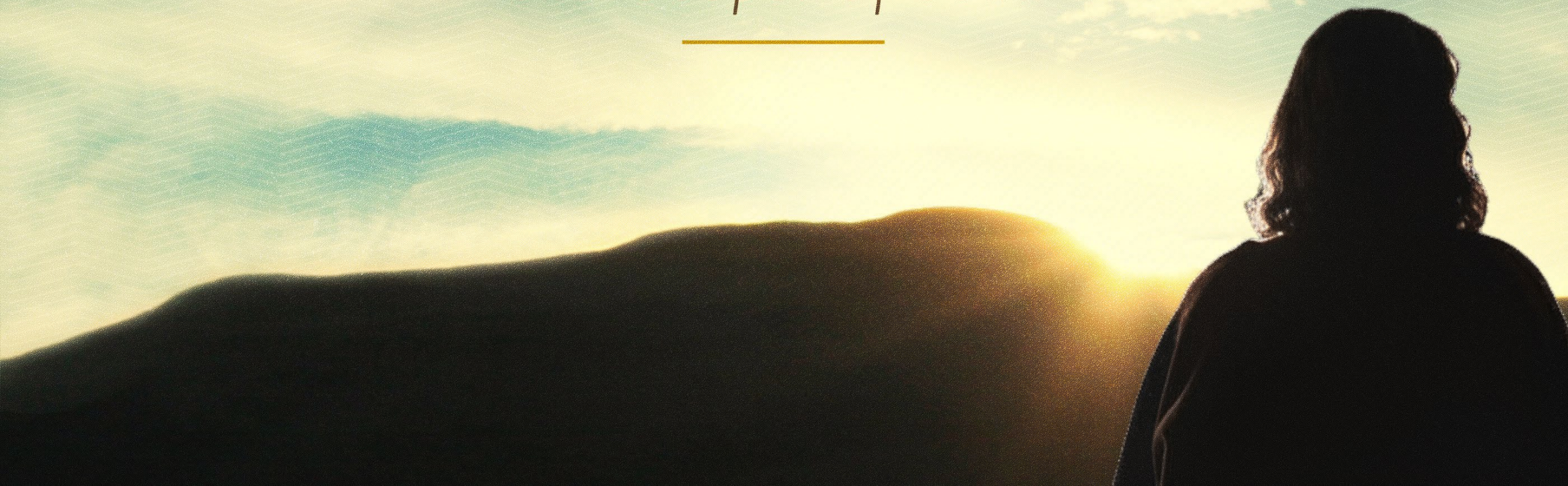


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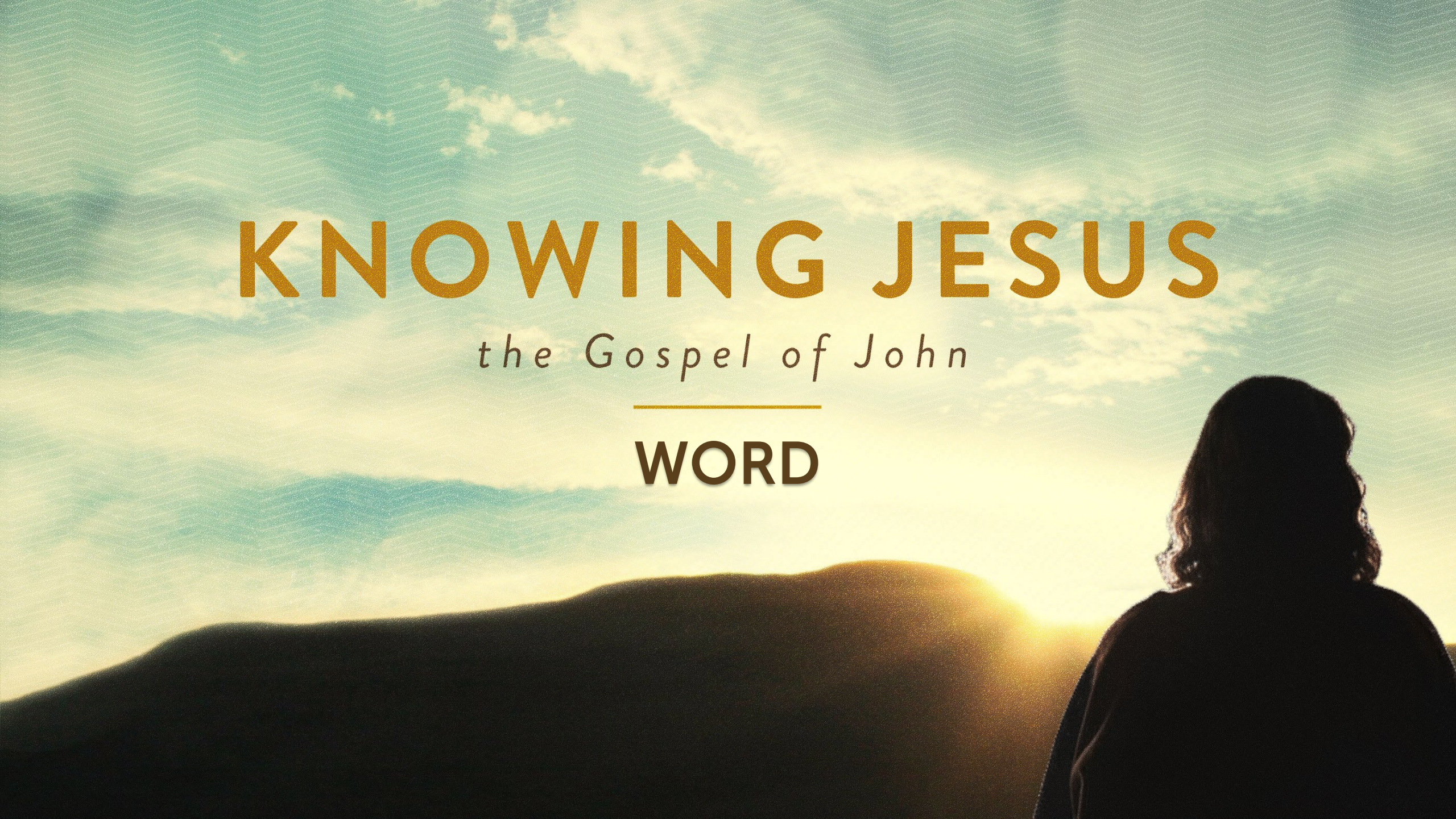


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**WORD**



# STARTING STRONG



# JOHN 1:1-2 (NIV)

## The Word Became Flesh

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was with God in the beginning.



**STARTING STRONG**

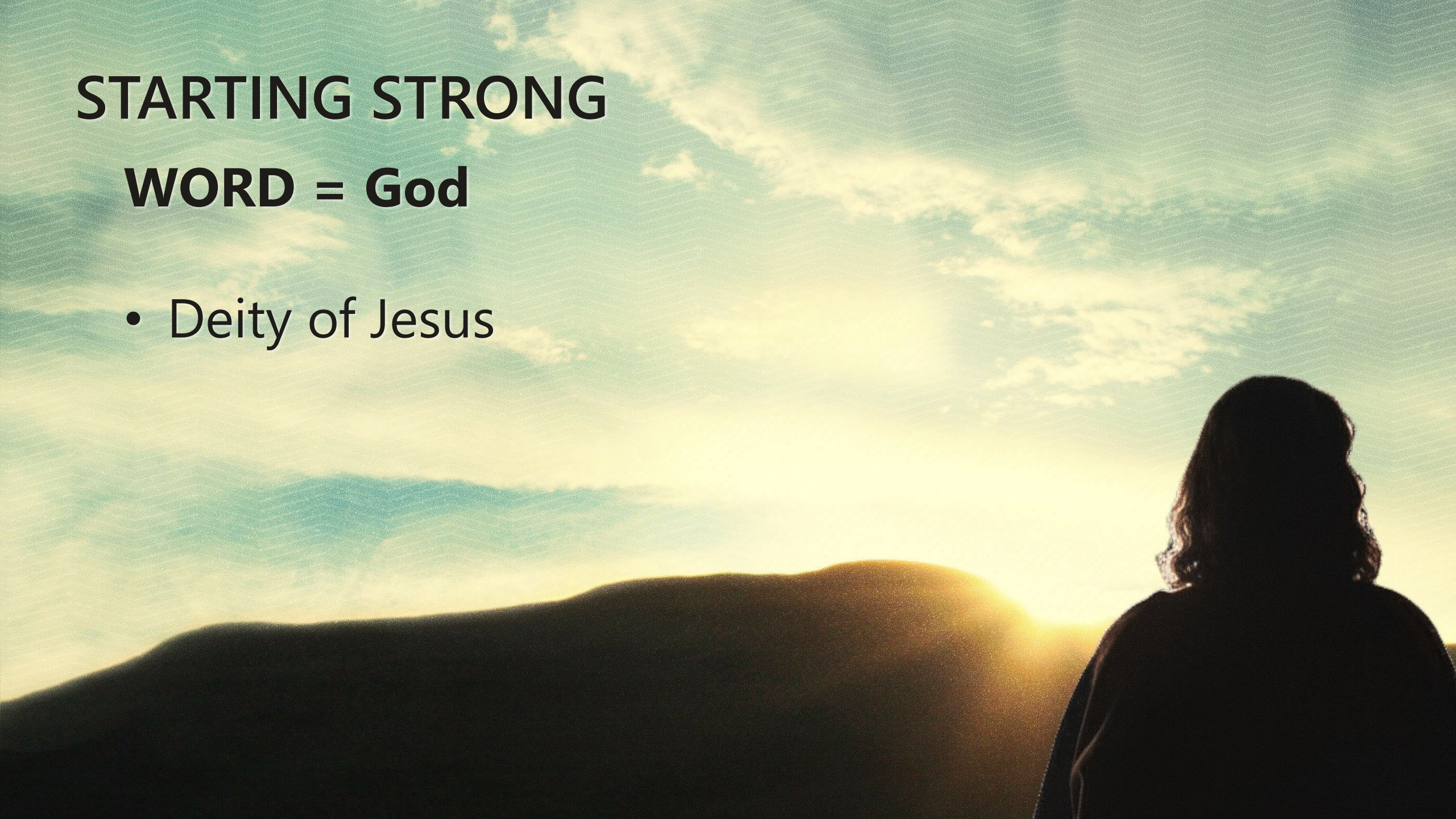
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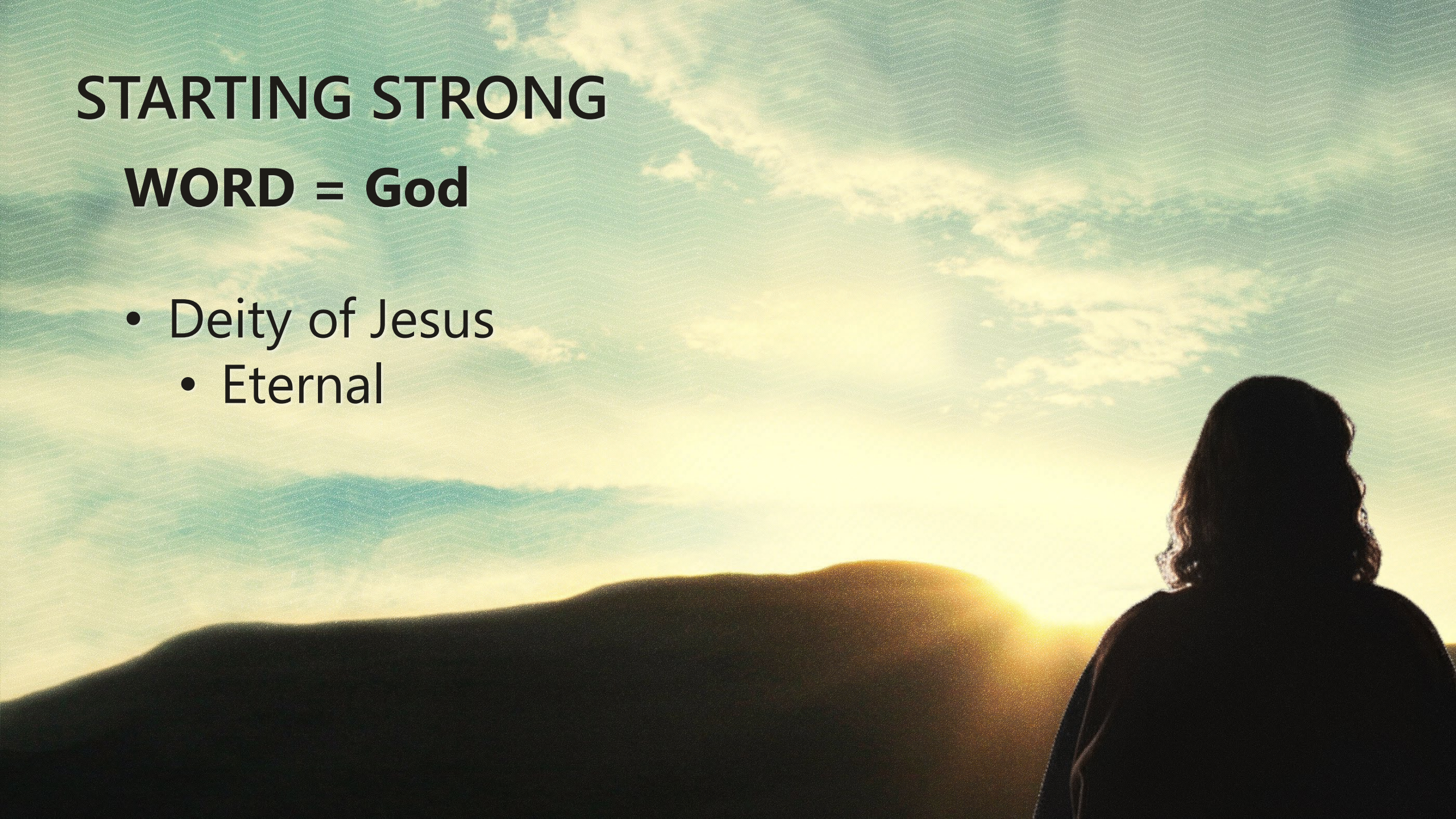
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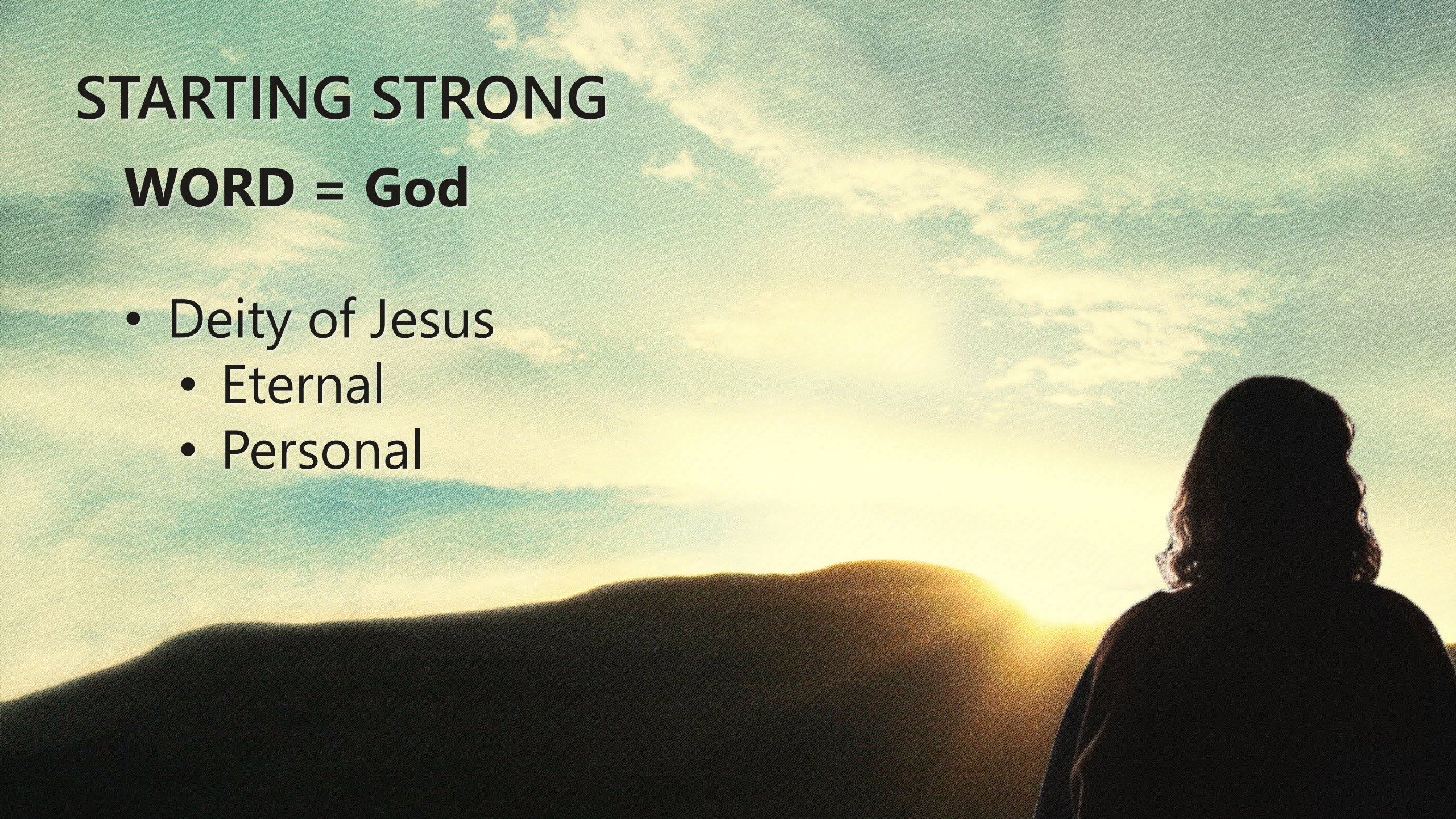
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  - Eternal



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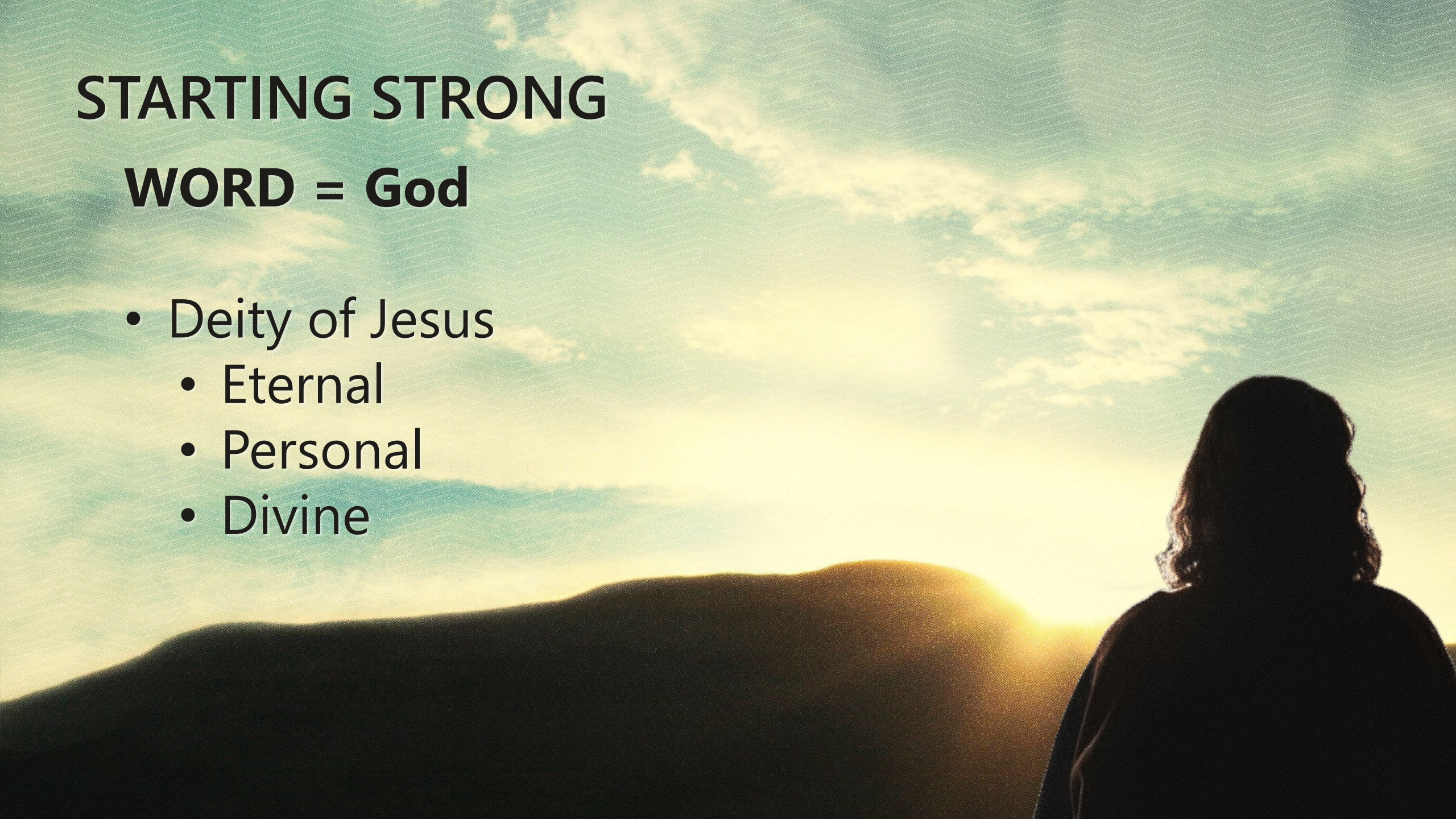
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# STARTING STRONG

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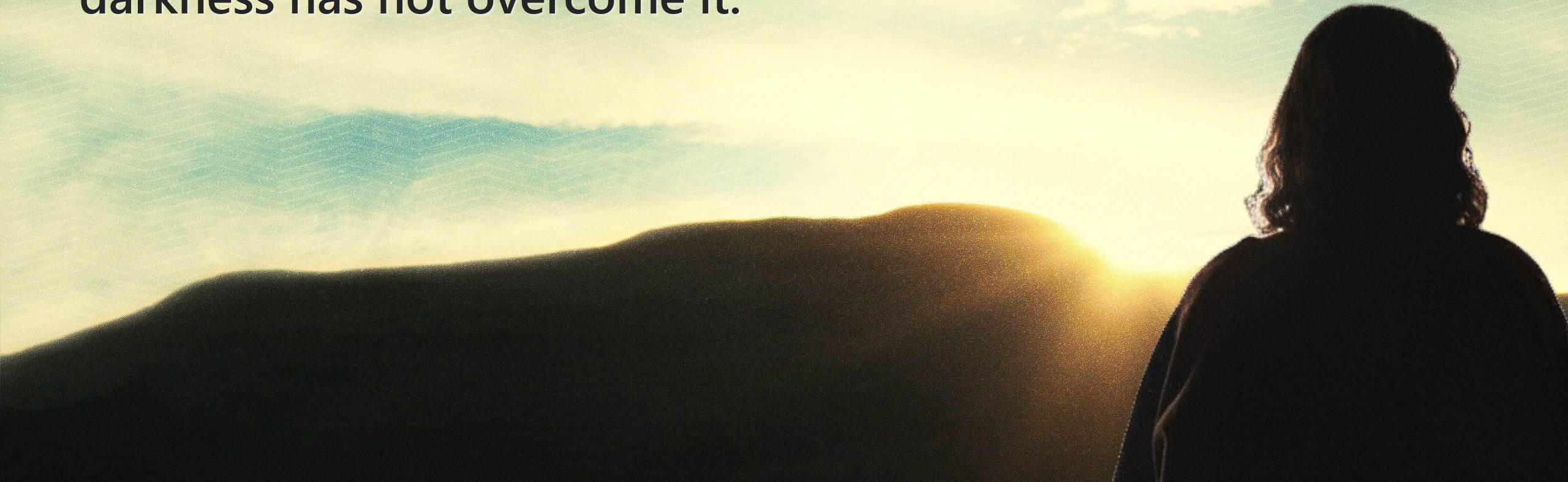


# CREATOR AND GIVER OF LIFE



## **JOHN 1:3-5 (NIV)**

<sup>3</sup> Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. <sup>4</sup> In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.



# CREATOR AND GIVER OF LIFE

- Creator



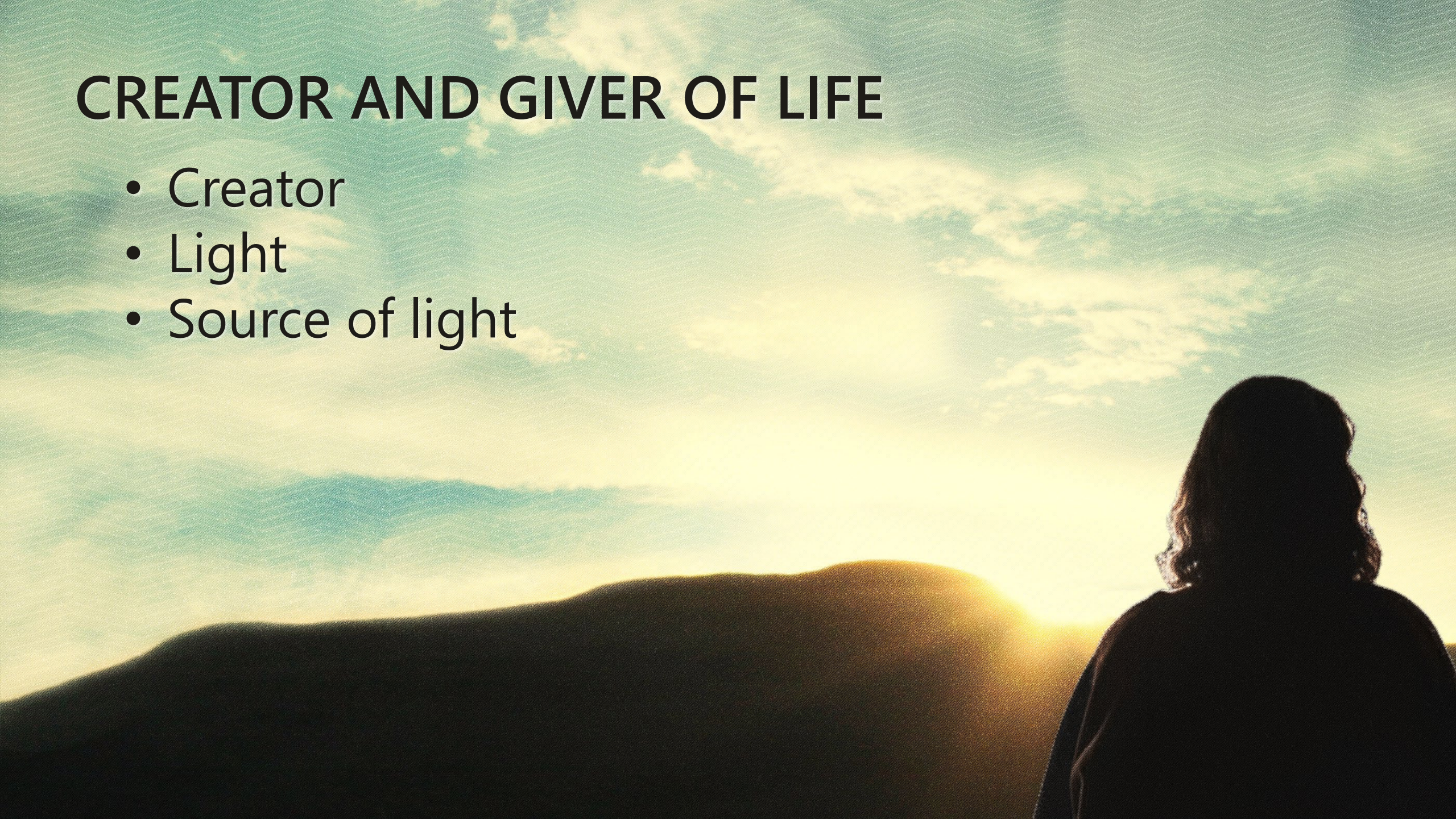
# CREATOR AND GIVER OF LIFE

- Creator
- Light



# CREATOR AND GIVER OF LIFE

- Creator
- Light
- Source of light



# RESPONDING TO LIGHT



## **JOHN 1:6-13 (NIV)**

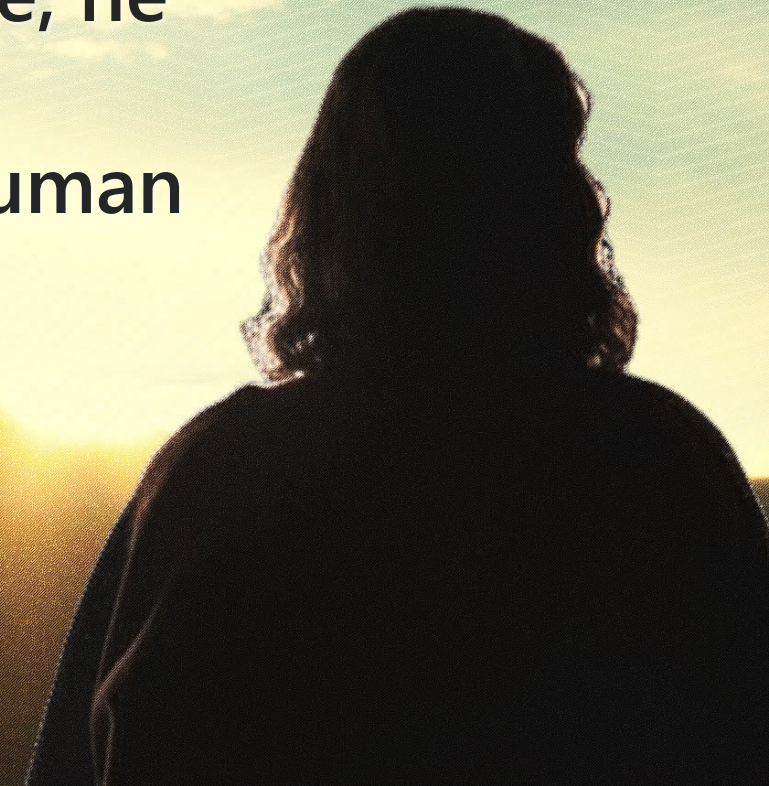
<sup>6</sup> There was a man sent from God whose name was John. <sup>7</sup> He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. <sup>8</sup> He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

<sup>9</sup> The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world.



## **JOHN 1:6-13 (NIV)**

<sup>10</sup> He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. <sup>11</sup> He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. <sup>12</sup> Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— <sup>13</sup> children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.



# RESPONDING TO LIGHT

- Witness



# RESPONDING TO LIGHT

- Witness
- Rejection



# RESPONDING TO LIGHT

- Witness
- Rejection
- Receiving



# RESPONDING TO LIGHT

- Witness
- Rejection
- Receiving
- Transformation



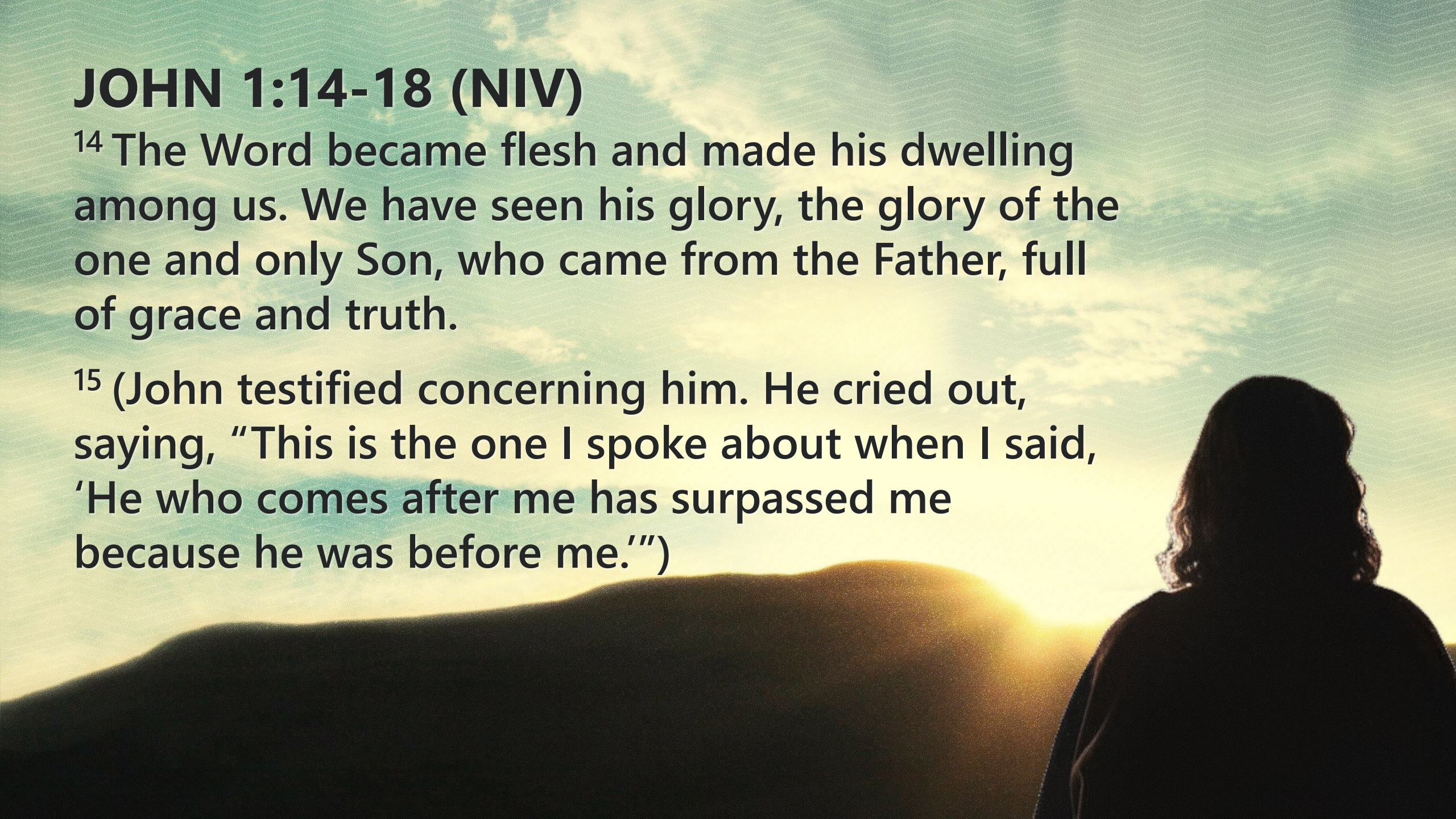
# GRACE AND TRUTH



## **JOHN 1:14-18 (NIV)**

**<sup>14</sup> The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.**

**<sup>15</sup> (John testified concerning him. He cried out, saying, "This is the one I spoke about when I said, 'He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.'")**



## **JOHN 1:14-18 (NIV)**

<sup>16</sup> Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given. <sup>17</sup> For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup> No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.



# GRACE AND TRUTH

- Incarnation



# GRACE AND TRUTH

- Incarnation
- Dwelling



# GRACE AND TRUTH

- Incarnation
- Dwelling
- Grace and Truth



A landscape photograph featuring rolling hills under a bright sky. The sun is positioned low on the horizon, creating a strong lens flare effect that illuminates the scene. The foreground and middle ground are in deep shadow, while the sky is a mix of bright yellow and light blue. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

**REFLECTION:**



## REFLECTION:

1. How does recognizing Jesus as the creator of life change your daily living?

A photograph of a sunset over rolling hills. The sun is low on the horizon, partially obscured by a hill, creating a bright glow and lens flare. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and light blue. The hills in the foreground are dark and silhouetted against the bright sky.

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A photograph of a sunset over rolling hills. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a warm, golden glow across the sky and the silhouettes of the hills. The sky transitions from a pale yellow near the sun to a soft blue at the top. The hills are dark and silhouetted against the bright sky.

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