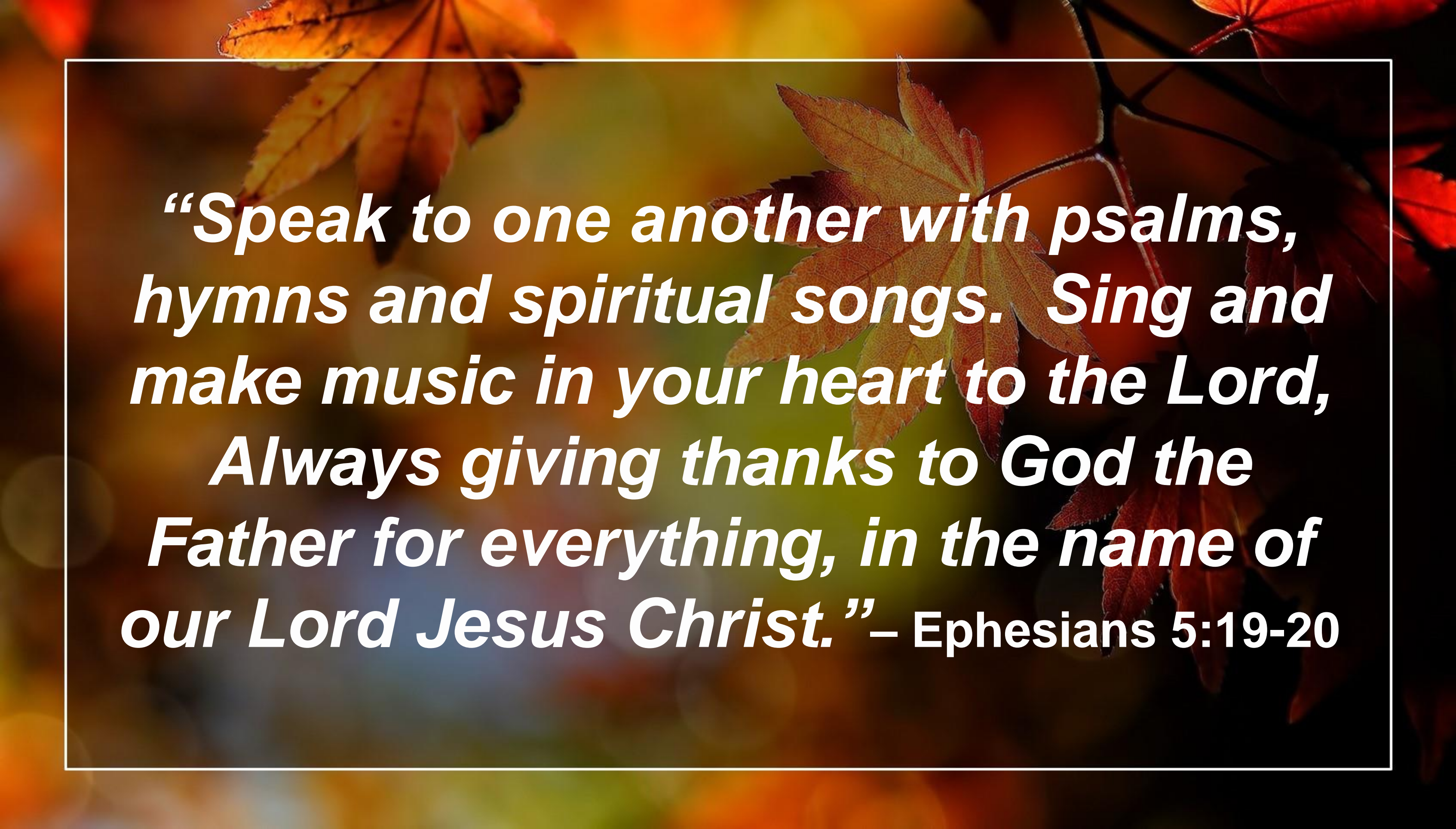
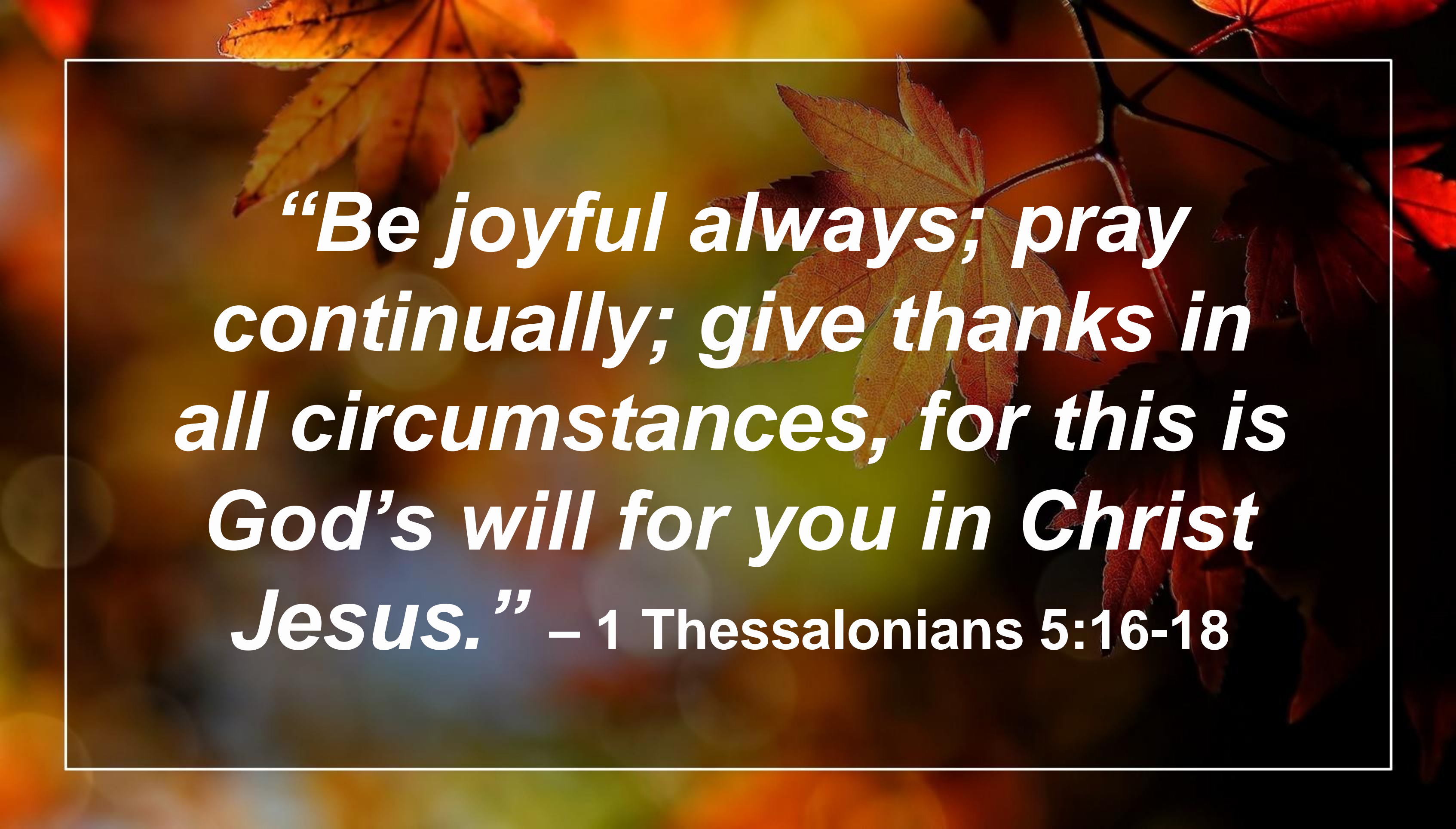




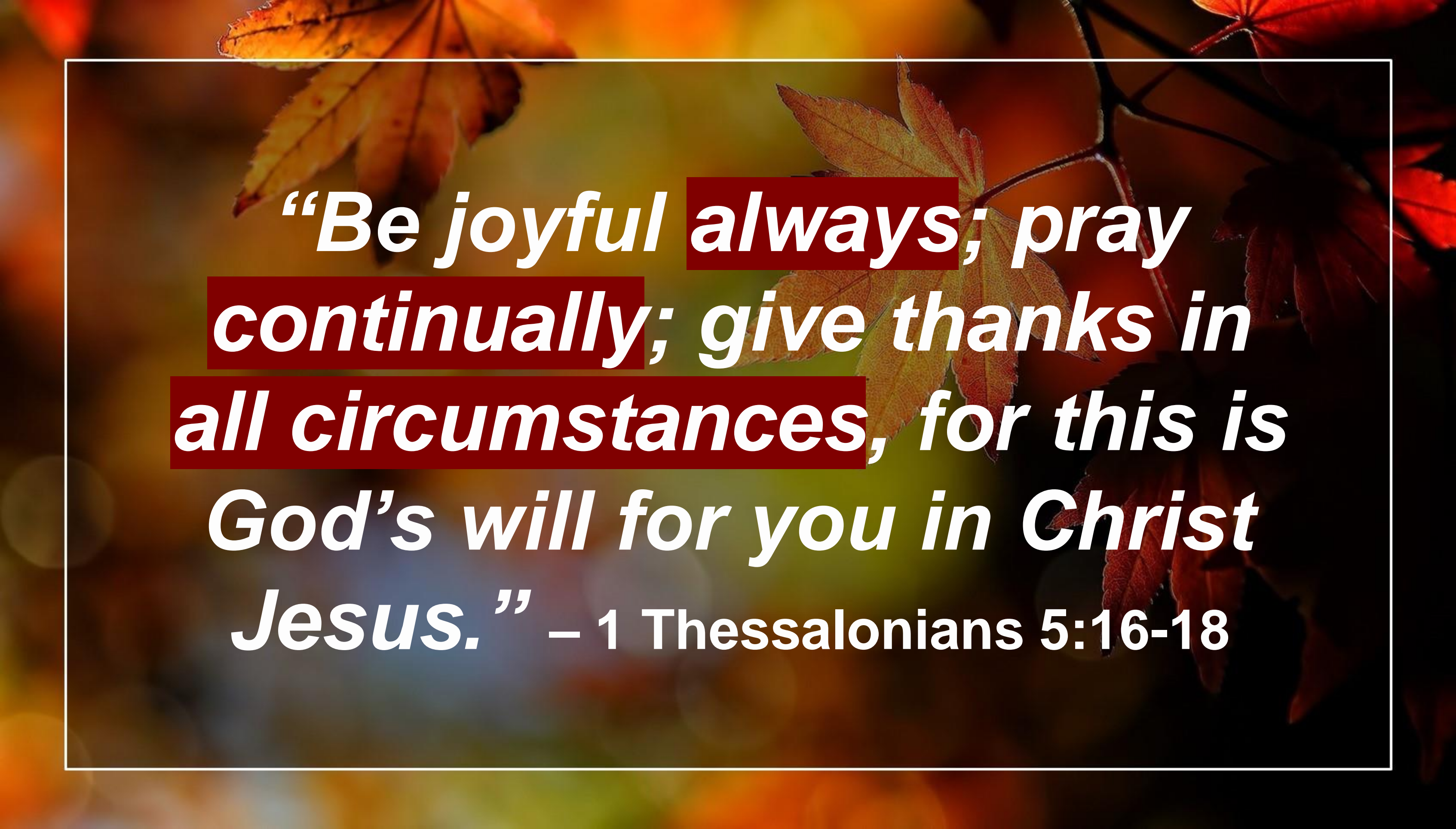
THANKSGIVING




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To be thankful in all
circumstances, we need a
proper perspective of our
circumstances and of our God.

Three Attitudes that Prevent Gratitude –

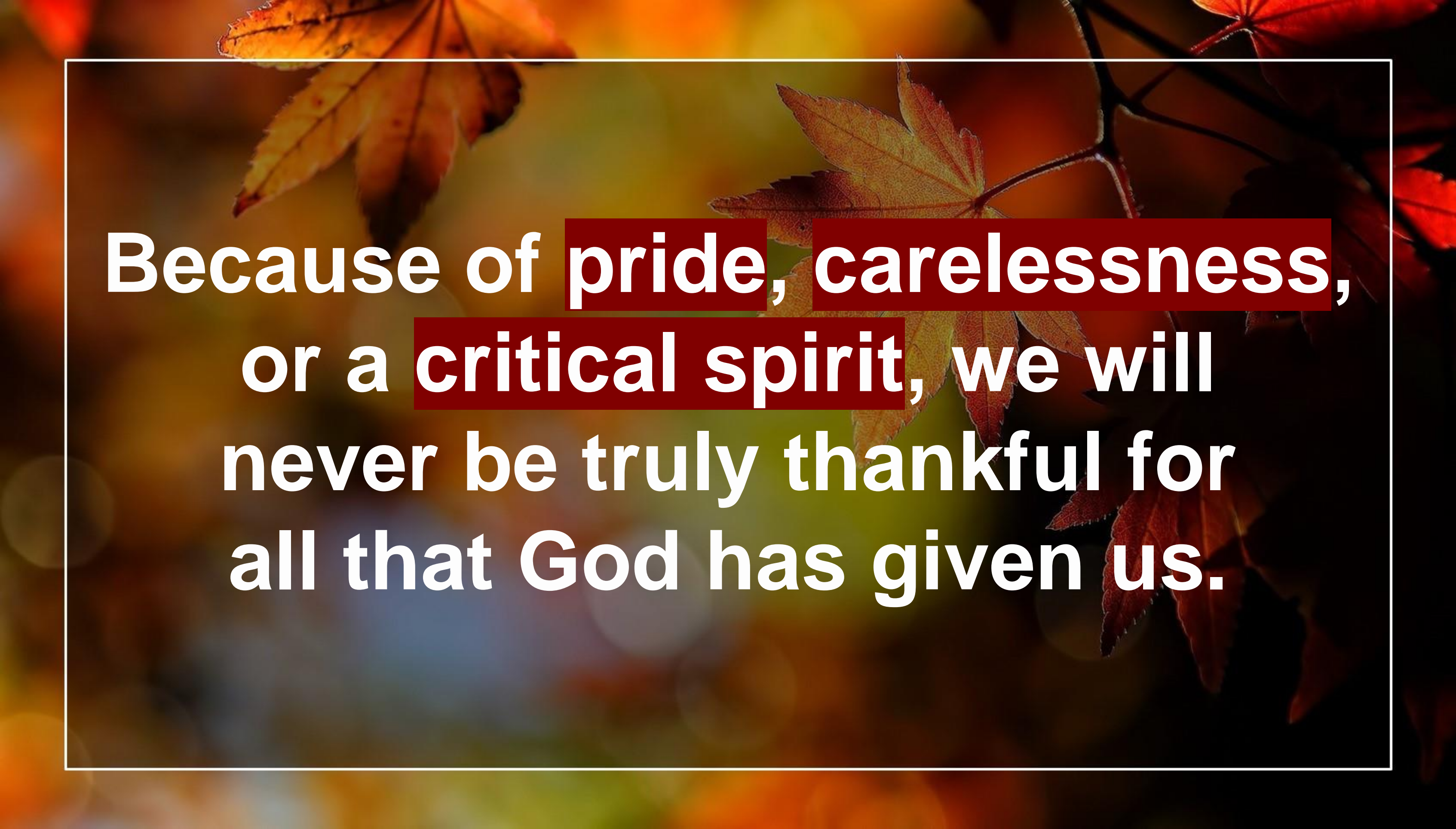
1. Our pride.

Three Attitudes that Prevent Gratitude –

2. A critical spirit or
constant complaining.

Three Attitudes that Prevent Gratitude –

3. Carelessness.

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Because of **pride**, **carelessness**,
or a **critical spirit**, we will
never be truly thankful for
all that God has given us.



**Thanks – A word that is too
seldom heard and too rarely
spoken and too often forgotten.**

3 Things Scripture Teaches about Thanksgiving –

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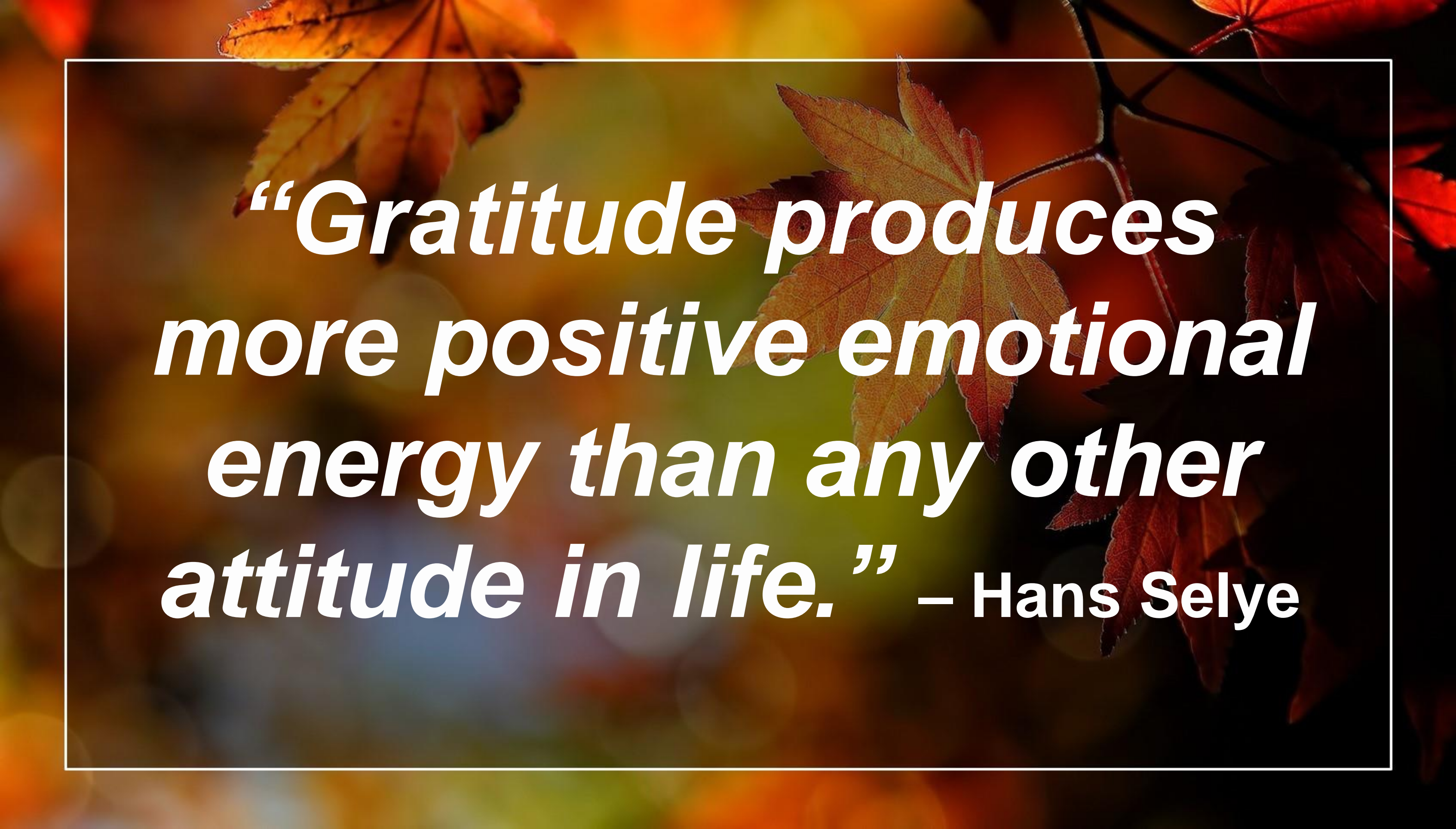
“Rise and go; your faith has made you whole.” – Luke 17:19



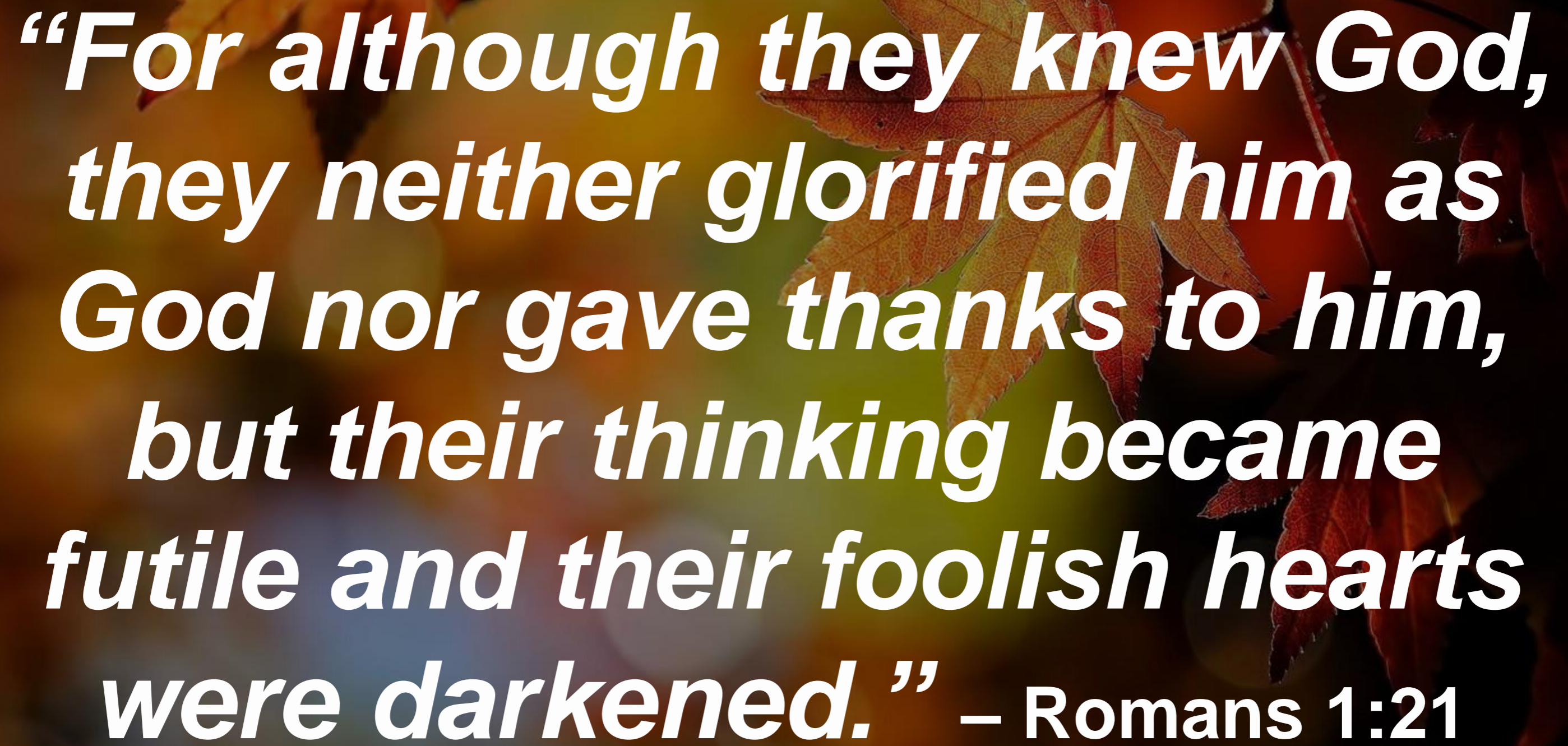
**We are made whole
by our thanksgiving.**



**Sincere gratitude,
thanksgiving, is
the healthiest of
all human emotions.**



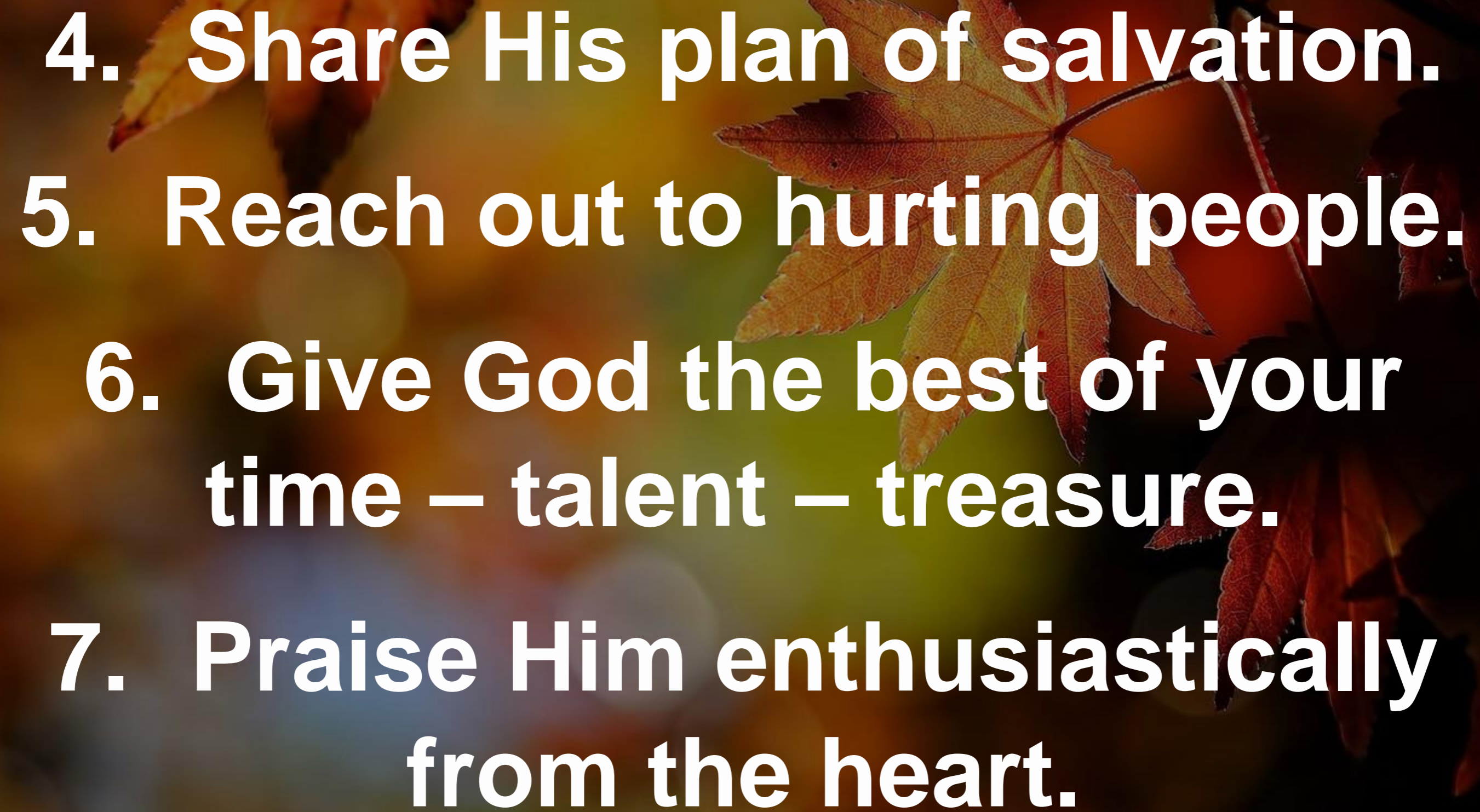
***“Gratitude produces
more positive emotional
energy than any other
attitude in life.” – Hans Selye***



***“For although they knew God,
they neither glorified him as
God nor gave thanks to him,
but their thinking became
futile and their foolish hearts
were darkened.” – Romans 1:21***

You say thank you to God when you...

- 1. Spend time with Him.**
- 2. Forgive others.**
- 3. Serve in His church.**

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- 4. Share His plan of salvation.**
 - 5. Reach out to hurting people.**
 - 6. Give God the best of your time – talent – treasure.**
 - 7. Praise Him enthusiastically from the heart.**

3 Things Scripture Teaches about Thanksgiving –

2. Our thanksgiving should be expansive.

As thanksgiving expands, it includes 3 things –

1. The Blessings of Life.

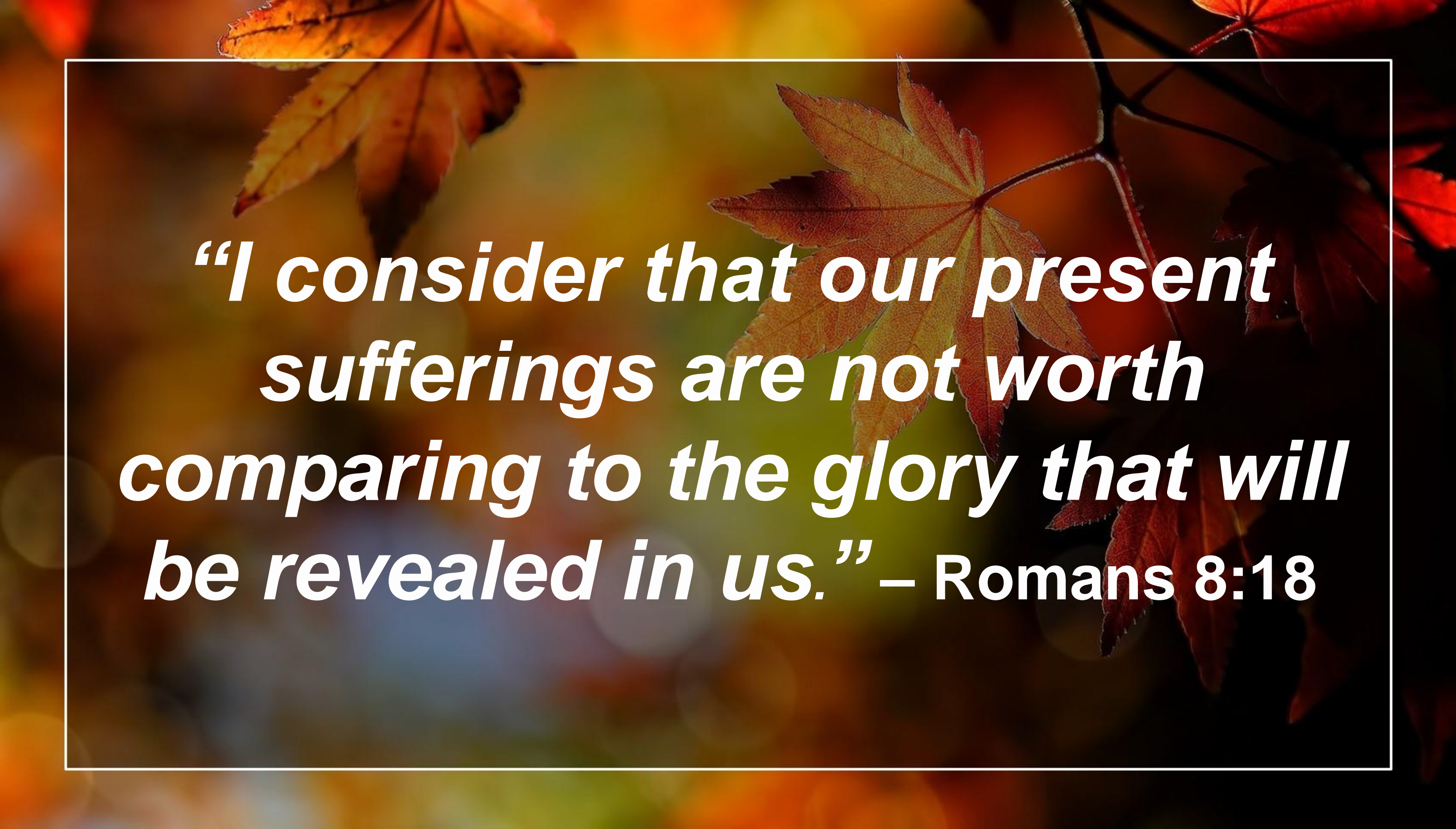
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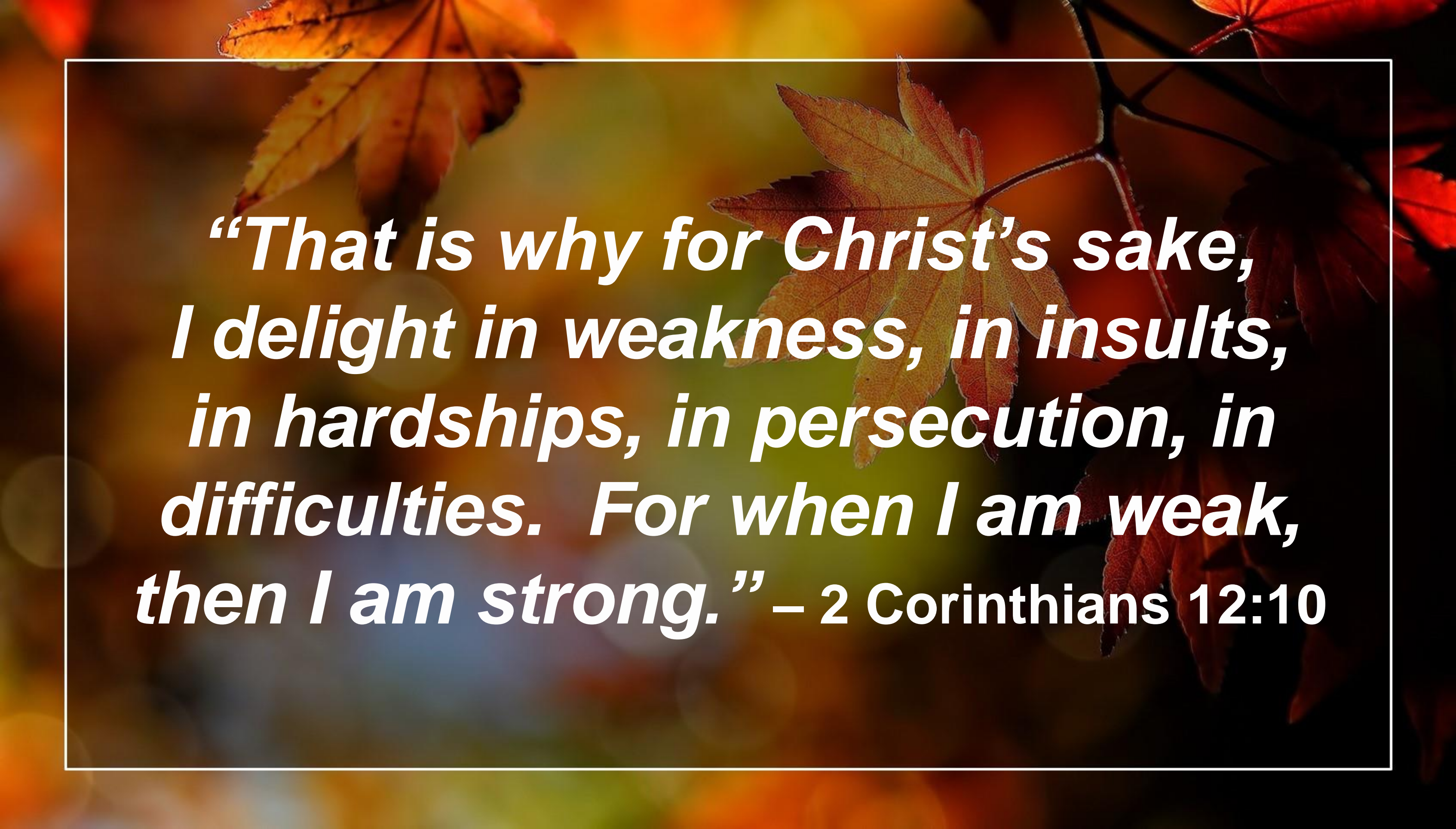
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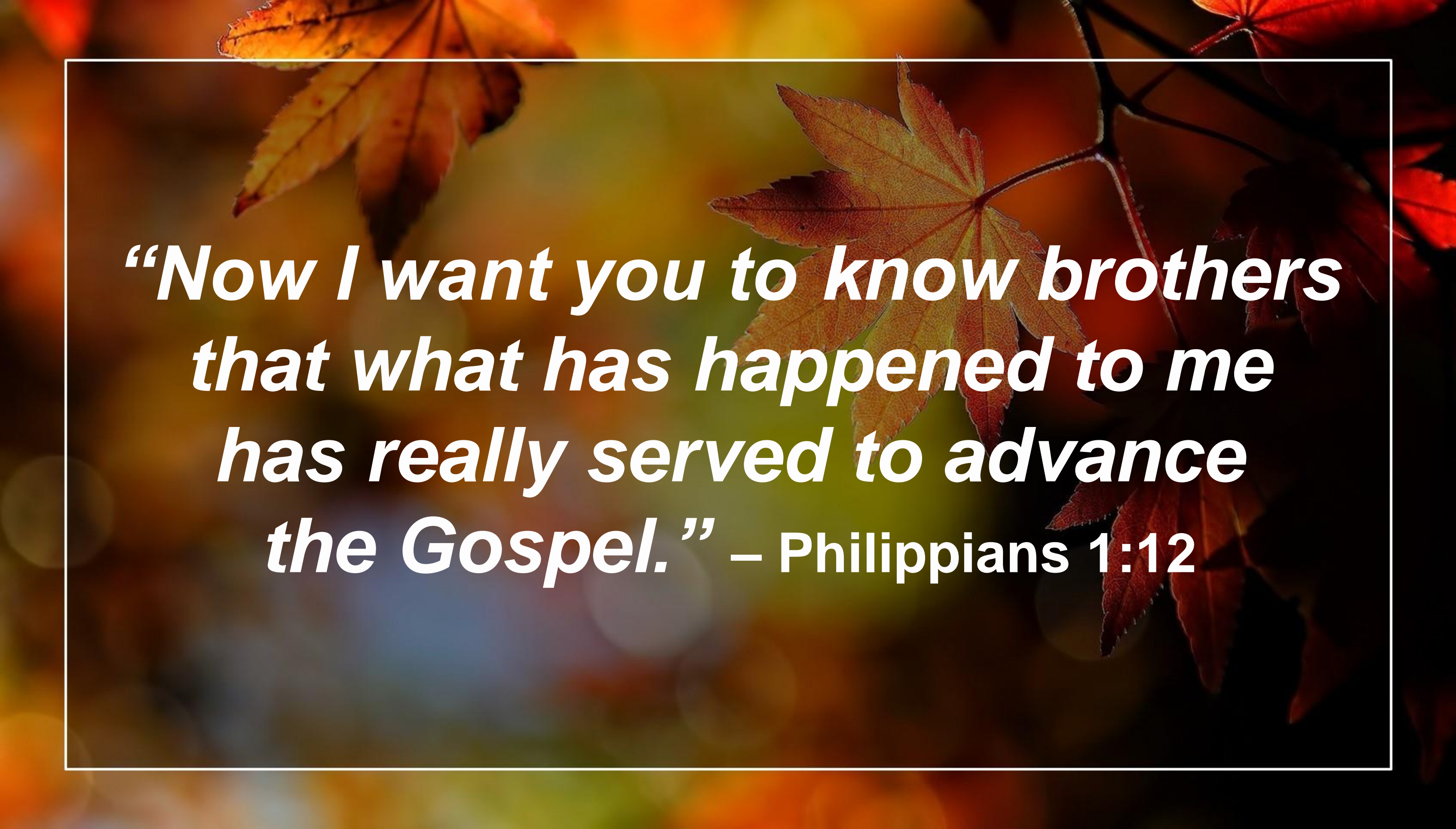
“Always giving thanks.” – Eph. 5:20

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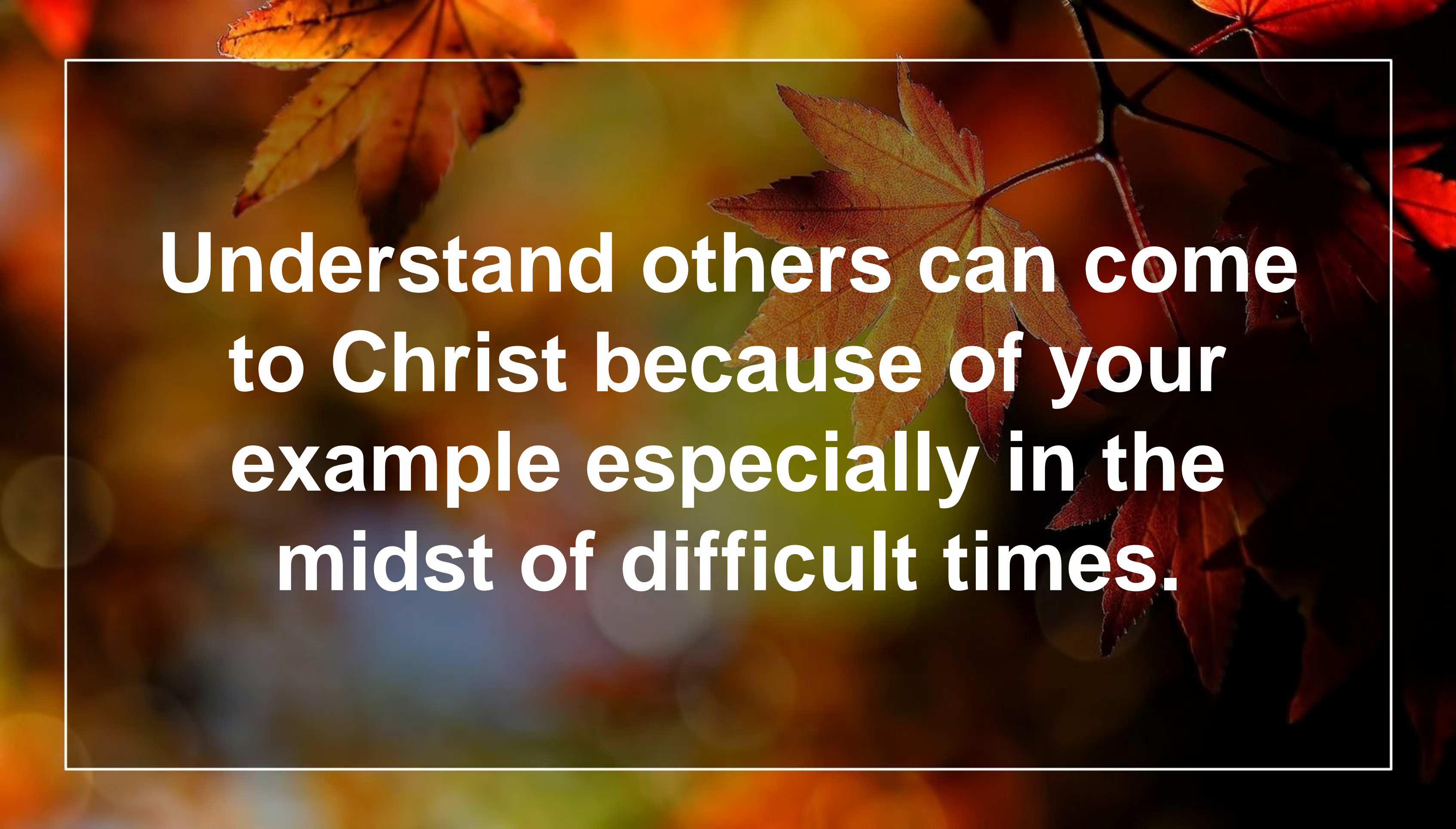
“I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing to the glory that will be revealed in us.” – Romans 8:18



***“That is why for Christ’s sake,
I delight in weakness, in insults,
in hardships, in persecution, in
difficulties. For when I am weak,
then I am strong.” – 2 Corinthians 12:10***



***“Now I want you to know brothers
that what has happened to me
has really served to advance
the Gospel.” – Philippians 1:12***

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**Understand others can come
to Christ because of your
example especially in the
midst of difficult times.**

As thanksgiving expands, it includes 3 things –

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We are constantly adding to our prayer list but more than anything we should be adding to our praise list.

3 Things Scripture Teaches about Thanksgiving –

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1. A growing Christian.


Thanksgiving is the mark of —

2. A giving Christian.

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For thanksgiving to be real...

There must be thanks
and there must be giving.

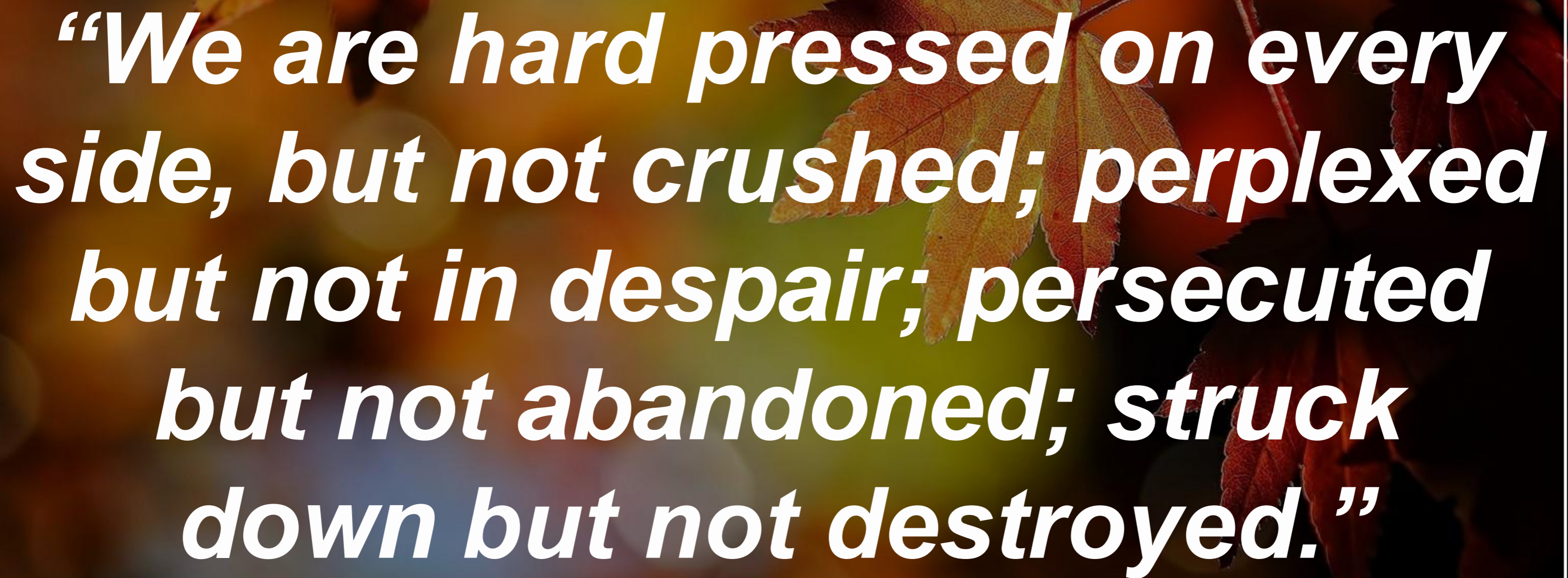
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“Every good and perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the father of lights.” – James 1:17

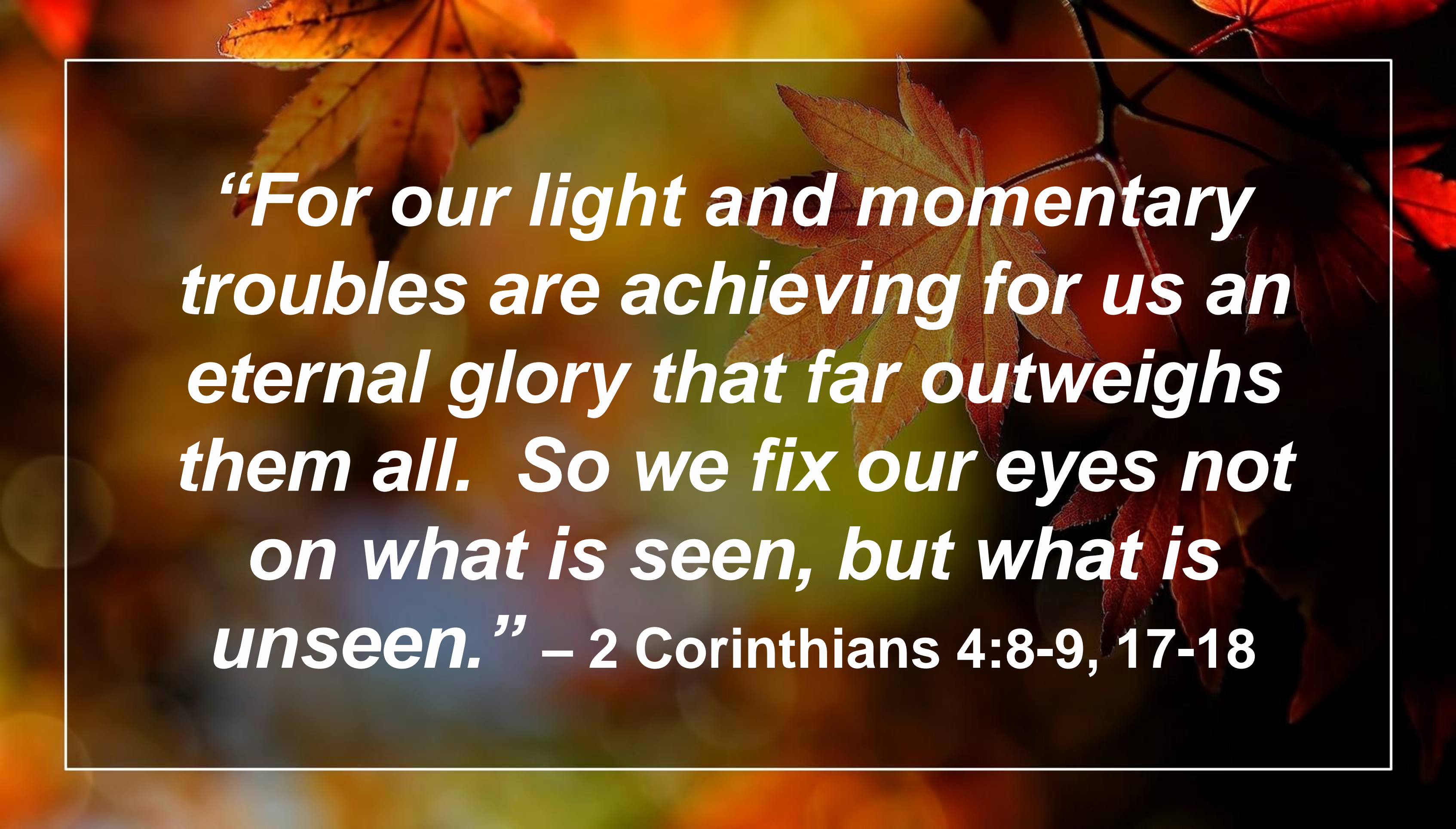
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You will not be constantly critical and pessimistic but eternally thankful.



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***“It is a good thing to give
thanks unto the Lord.” – Psalm 92:1***