



# Creation, Choice, & Consecration

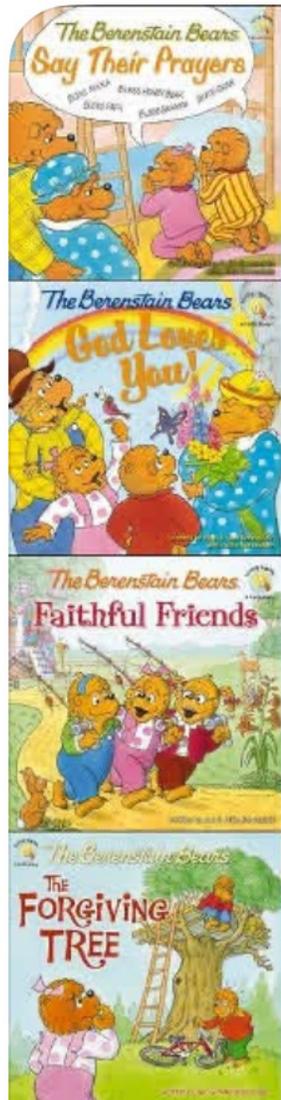
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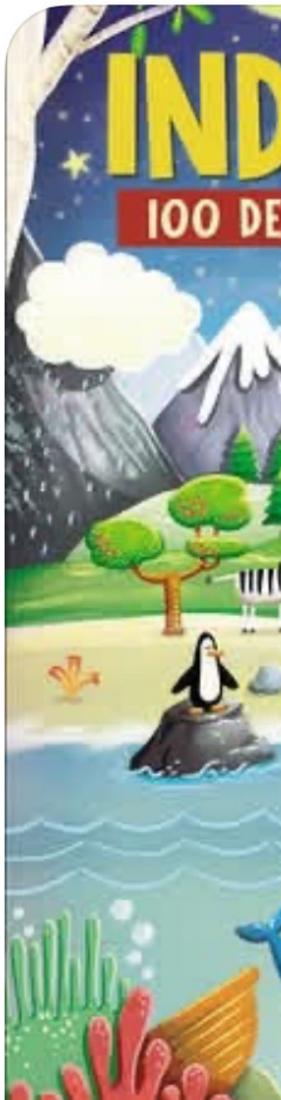
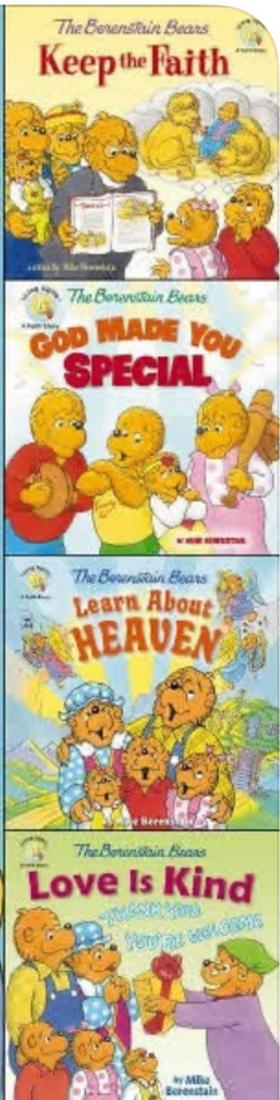


*The Berenstain Bears*  
**Faith, Hope,  
and  
Love  
Treasury**

Living Lights  
A Faith Story

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BOOKS  
IN 1

Written by Jan and Mike Berenstain

A central illustration of the Berenstain Bears family: Papa Bear in a brown hat and blue overalls, Mama Bear in a blue dress and white apron, and three cubs (Bert, Winnie, and Honey) in the foreground. A pink heart is positioned between Papa and Mama Bear.

The Berenstain Bears  
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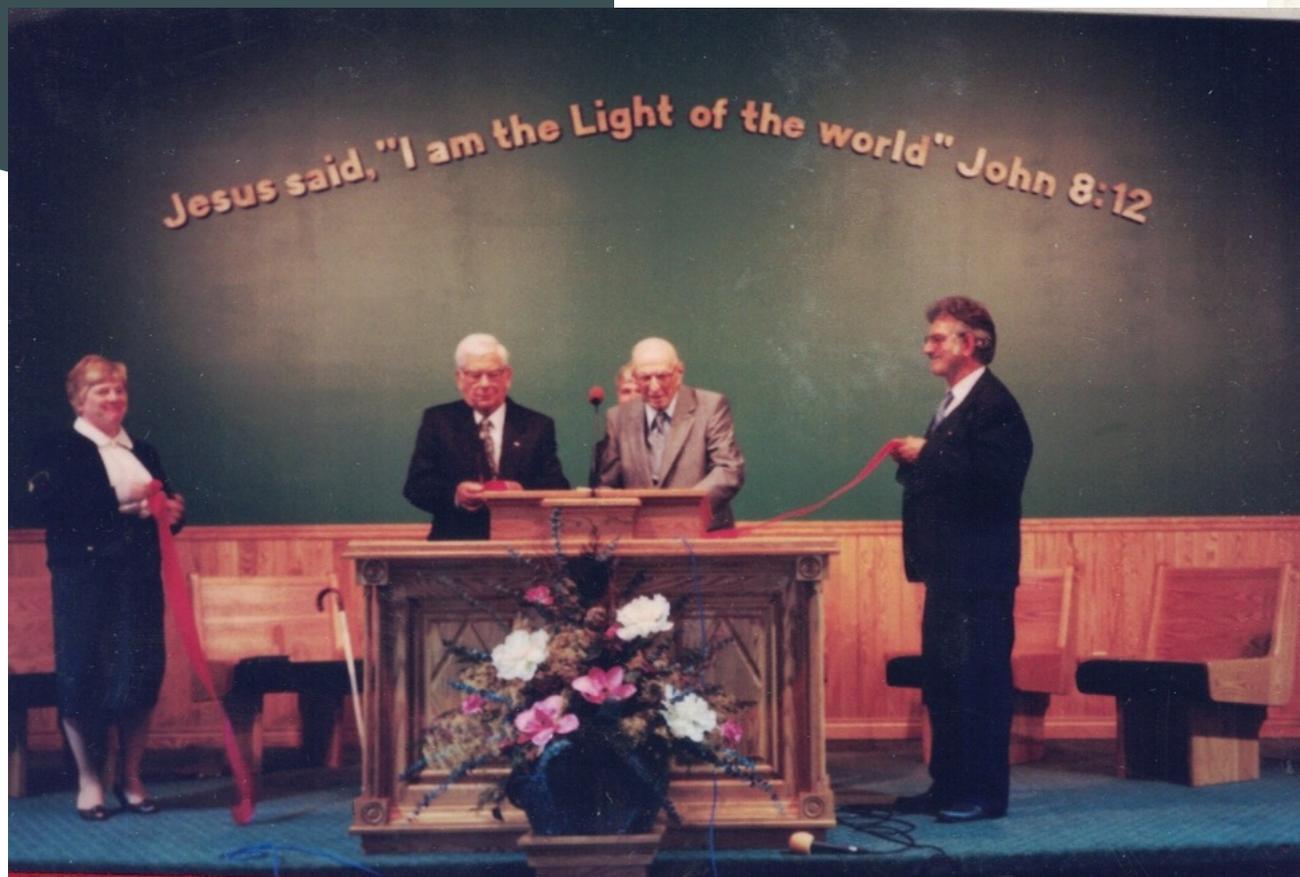
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- Many thanks for your prayers & support
- Our hearts go out to others...
- We wish to encourage others to join the upcoming Grief Share program



A note about  
Mary Jan's  
photo  
albums...



Christmas  
Concert  
1994

Living  
Christmas  
Tree.



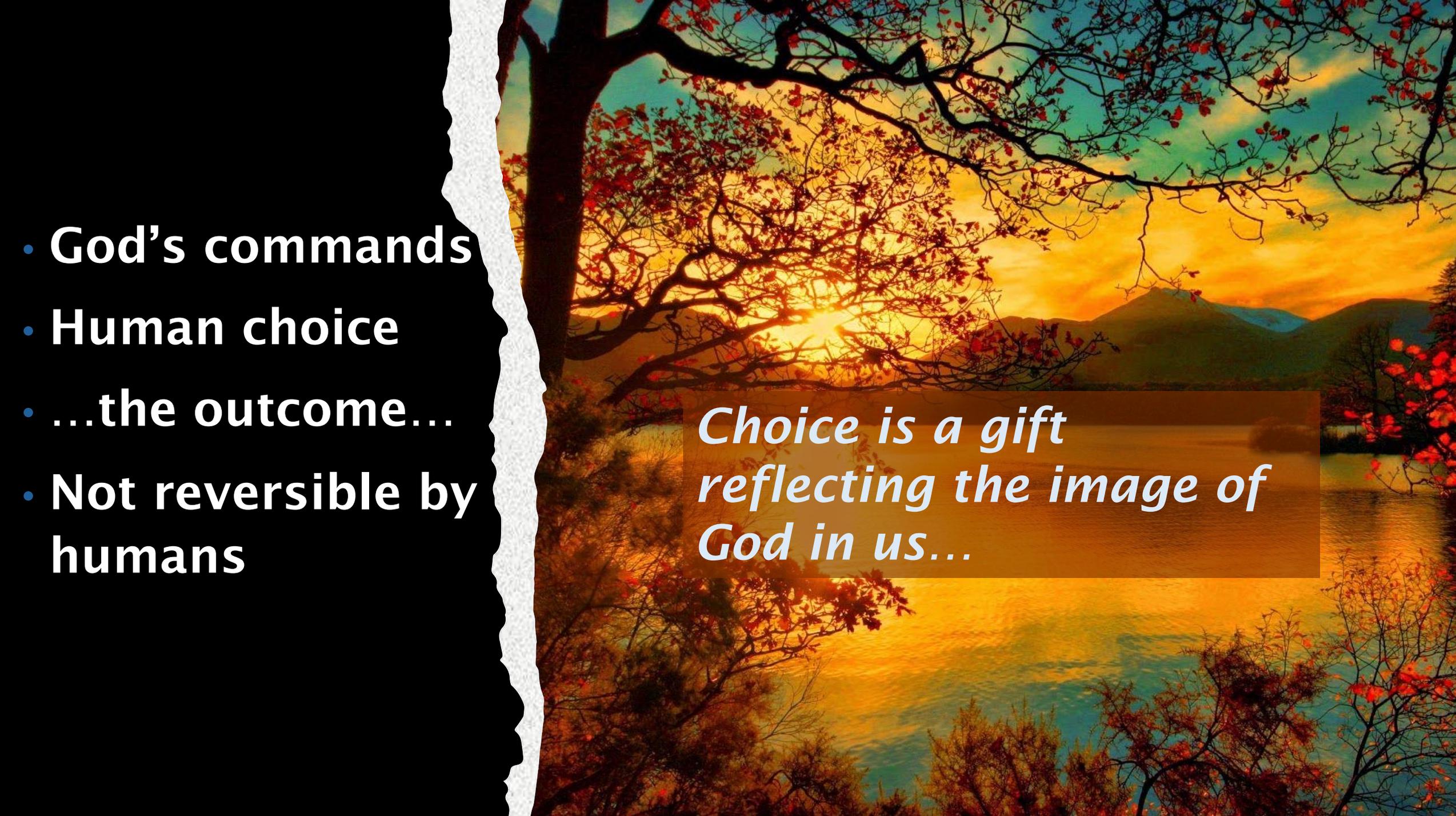
- A personal story...
- Can we imagine all the connections in a life?
- But what does it mean?





- *Today...*  
**Creation,  
Choice, &  
Consecration**
- 1. In the  
beginning:  
**Creation &  
Choice**

- God's commands
- Human choice
- ...the outcome...
- Not reversible by humans



*Choice is a gift  
reflecting the image of  
God in us...*



• Genesis 6: <sup>5</sup> The LORD saw how great the wickedness of the human race had become on the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of the human heart was only evil all the time. <sup>6</sup> The LORD regretted that he had made human beings on the earth, and his heart was deeply troubled. <sup>7</sup> So the LORD said, “I will wipe from the face of the earth the human race I have created—and with them the animals, the birds and the creatures that move along the ground—for I regret that I have made them.” <sup>8</sup> But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD.



## 2. Continuing Choices

❖ *Bright lights but no perfection...*



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### **3. Consecration**

- ❖ *God's word through his prophets*
- ❖ *Promises, guidance, warnings... choosing to walk with God*

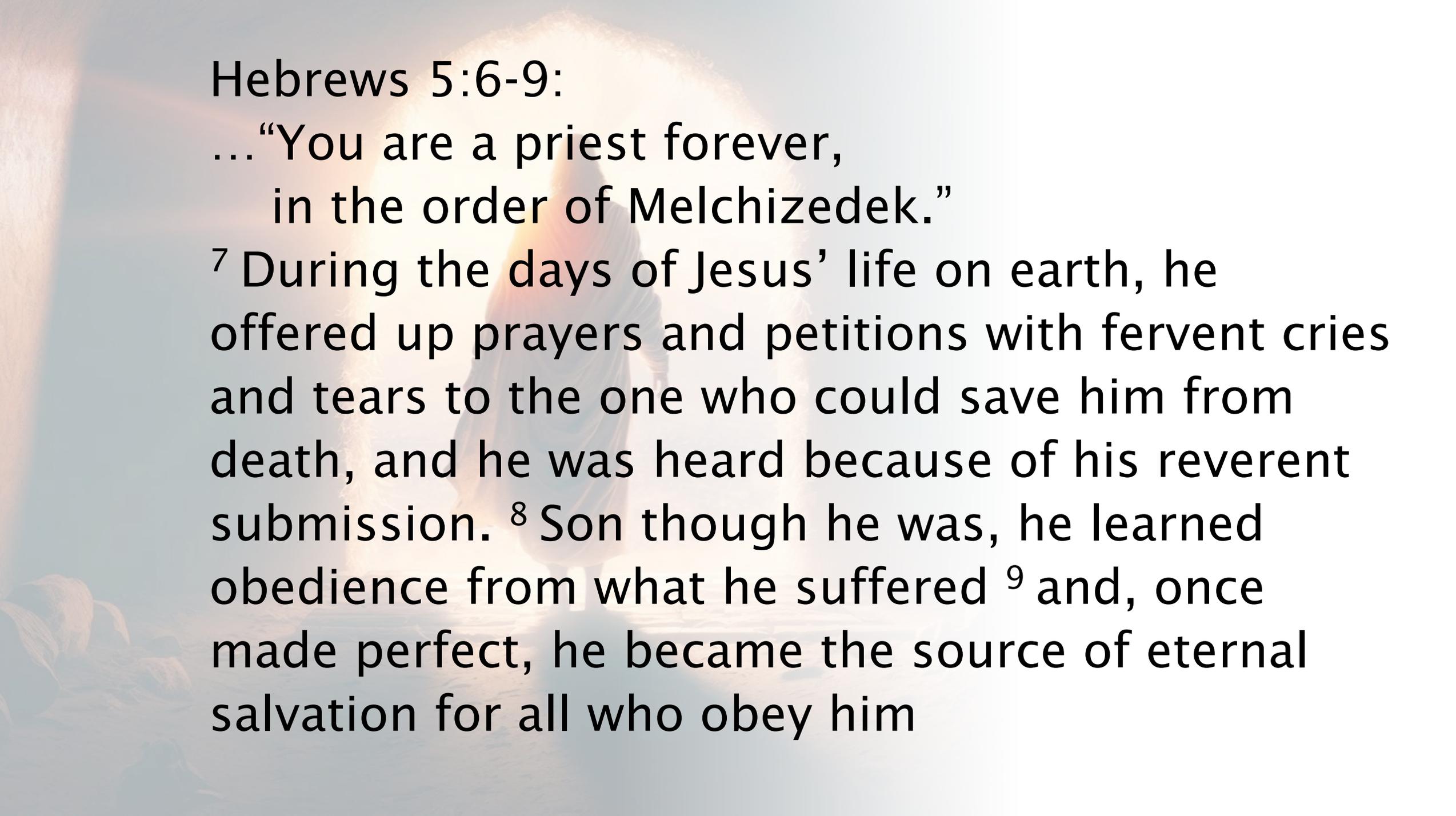
- Another story...
- Is God at work?
- Why did this happen?
- The Prophets remind us that God knows...





## 4. Crowned for His Choices

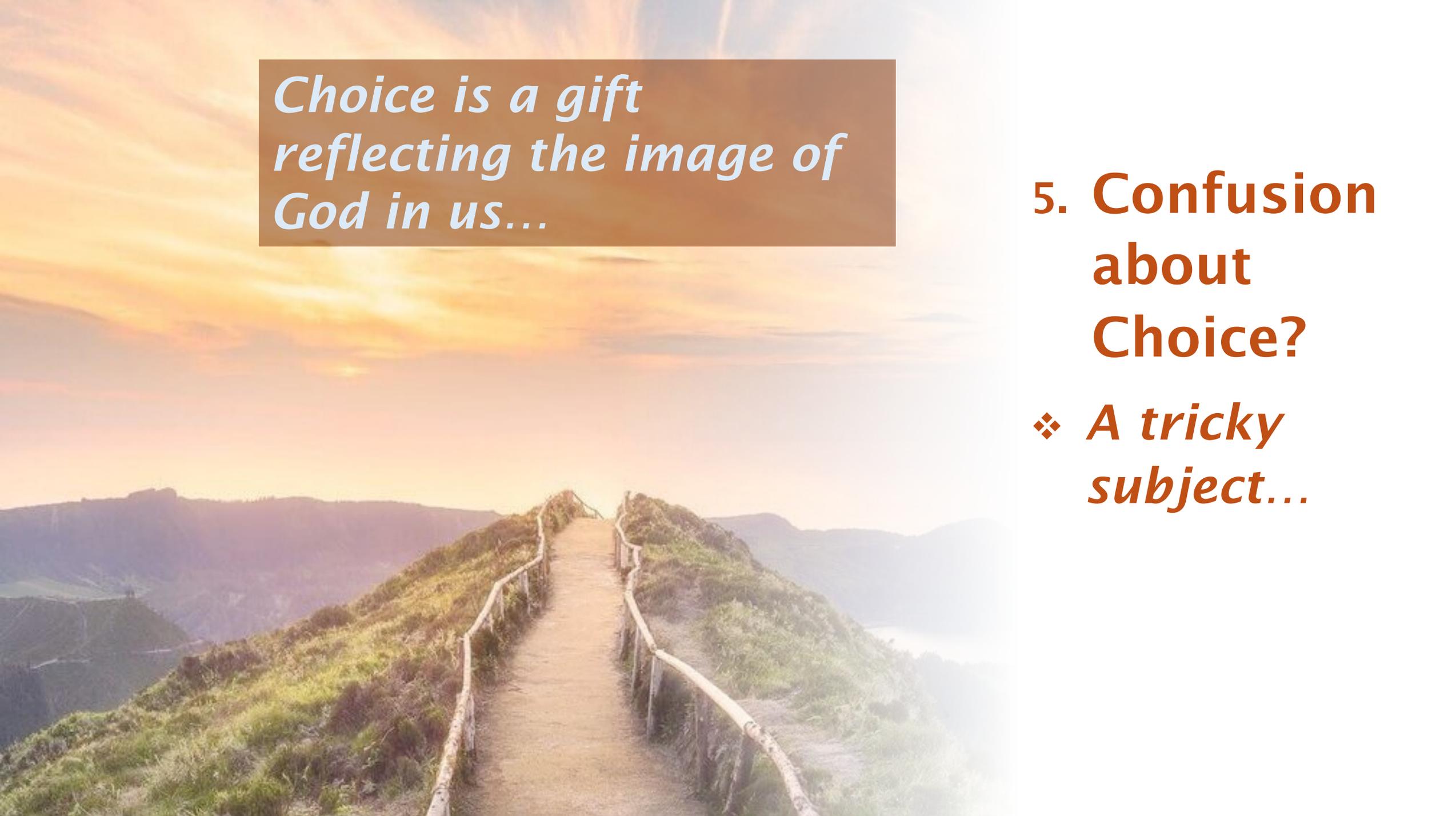
- *Jesus never sinned, never guilty*
- *He chooses to take our guilt*
- *He will be crowned*

A person in a white robe is walking away from the camera in a bright, hazy, outdoor setting. The person is centered in the background, and the overall atmosphere is soft and ethereal. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

Hebrews 5:6-9:

...“You are a priest forever,  
in the order of Melchizedek.”

<sup>7</sup> During the days of Jesus’ life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup> Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered <sup>9</sup> and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him



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**5. Confusion  
about  
Choice?**

❖ *A tricky  
subject...*

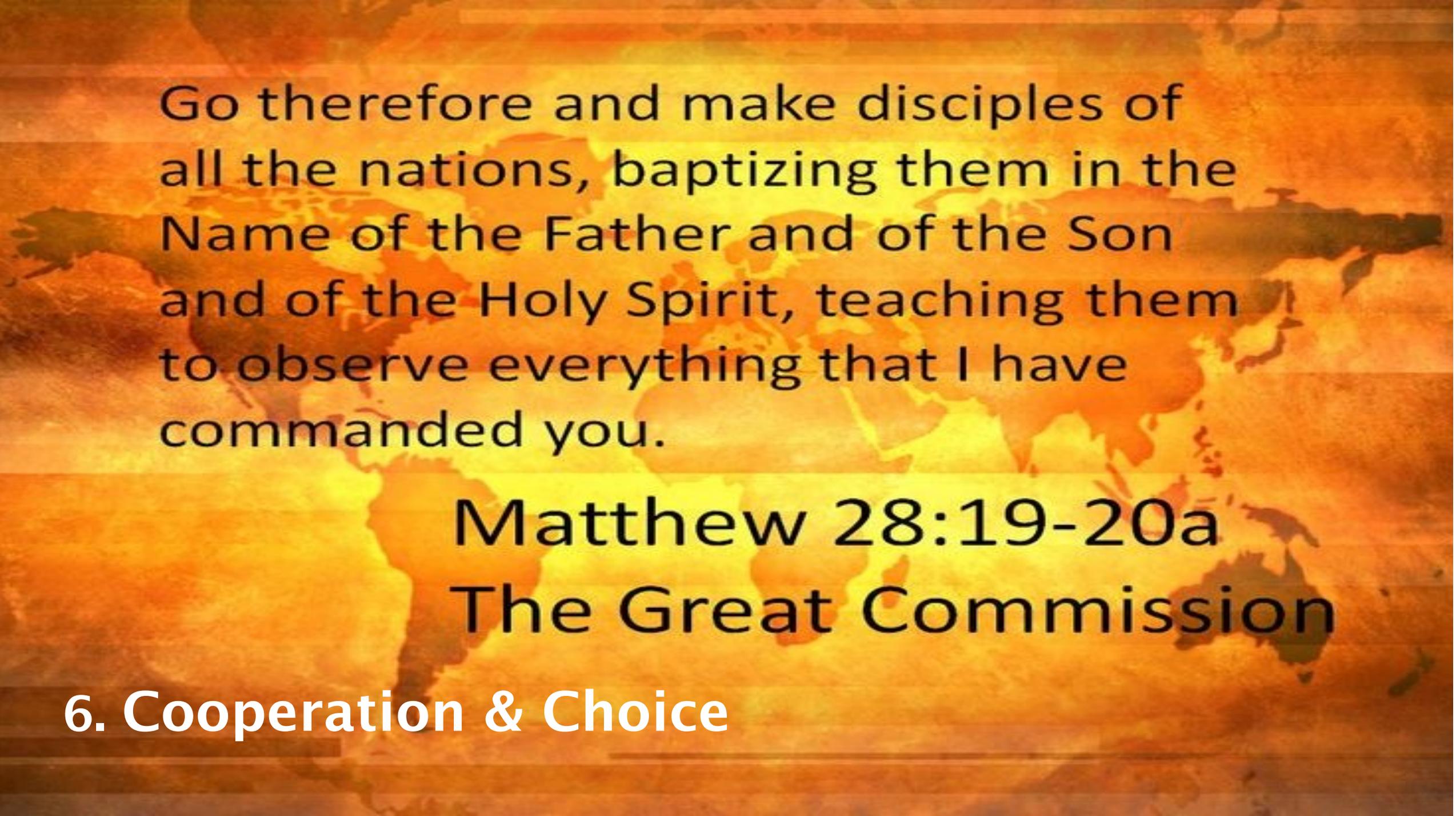
## *A tricky subject...*

2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 3:8-9 shares this: <sup>8</sup> “But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. <sup>9</sup> The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.”



Jesus himself shares... “<sup>14</sup> And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.” Matthew 24:14.

- ❖ **God is patient**
- ❖ **God is planning for the message to spread over the earth**
- ❖ **He will send his Son at the right time!**
- ❖ **So, what is our role?**
- ❖ ***The reason the Gospel is a testimony is that humans have a choice... But for believers, it is to proclaim***



Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe everything that I have commanded you.

Matthew 28:19-20a  
The Great Commission

**6. Cooperation & Choice**

# The Great Commission

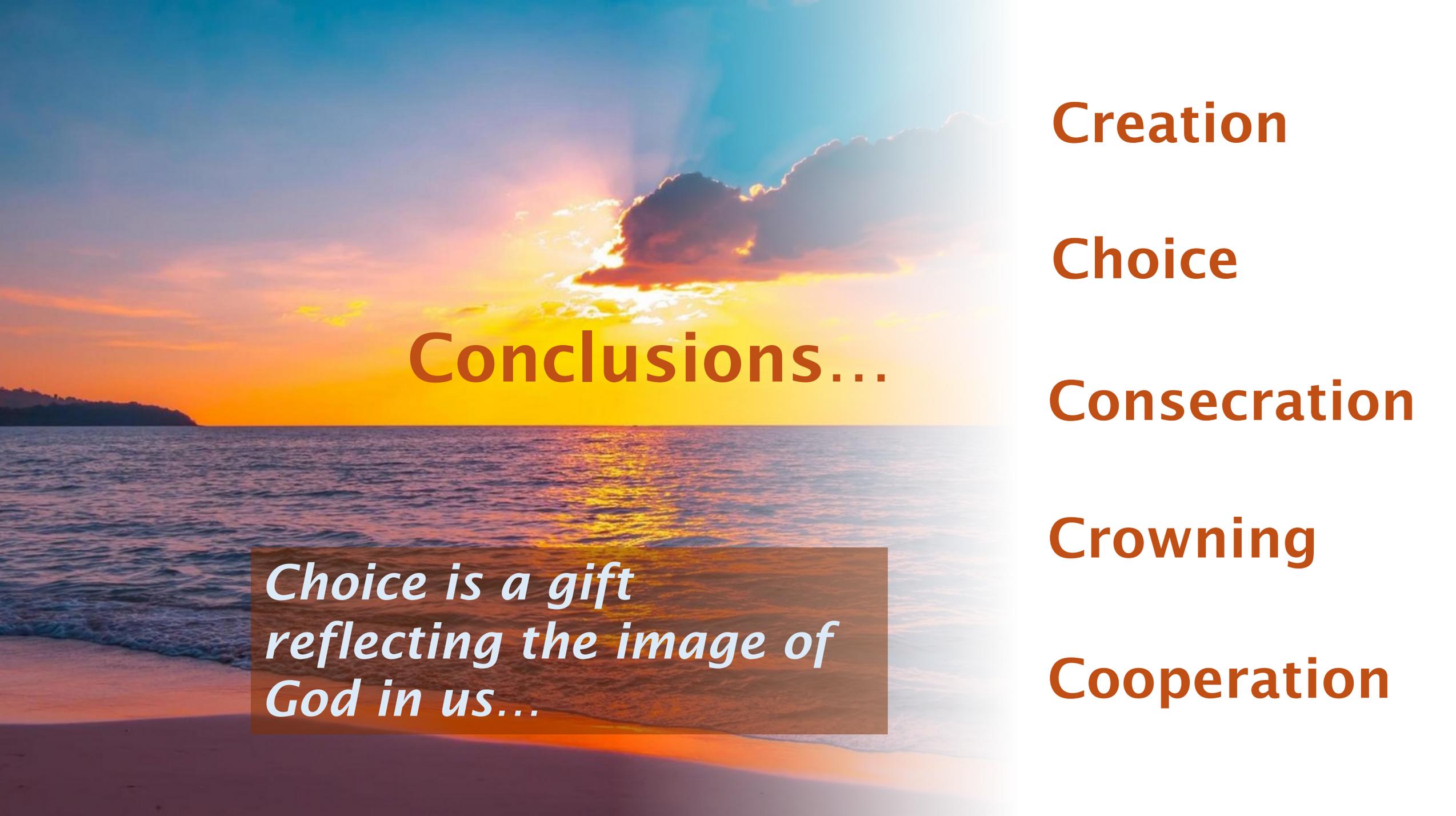
Being Taught,  
Discipled

Holy Spirit  
Empowered

Jesus'  
Example

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# Conclusions...

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**Creation**

**Choice**

**Consecration**

**Crowning**

**Cooperation**

- One more story...
- Dan & Zane Waterman
- A reminder that people are busy for God without us knowing...

*Where has God sent his servants?  
You may be surprised!*





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