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SERVING AT HOME

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ANSWERING THE CALL TO SERVE AT HOME

I. WE ARE ALL (1) _____ AND (2) _____ TO AUTHORITY

II. WIVES ARE TO (3) _____ TO THEIR HUSBANDS

III. HUSBANDS ARE TO TREAT THEIR WIVES WITH (4) _____ AND (5) _____

SUBMISSION— “TO YIELD ONESELF VOLUNTARILY TO THE LEADERSHIP OF ANOTHER”
“MY STRENGTH GRACIOUSLY GIVEN TO SUPPORT YOU” “I CHOOSE TO LET YOU MEET MY NEEDS.”

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SUBMISSION HAS LIMITS: WE DO NOT SUBMIT TO COMMANDS THAT GOD FORBIDS

ROM. 13:1, 5 BUT COMPARE ACTS 16:35-40

I PET. 2:13-15 BUT COMPARE ACTS 4:19; 5:29

HEBREWS 13:17, BUT COMPARE I TIM. 5:17-20

RESOURCES: “THE FIVE LOVE LANGUAGES” GARY CHAPMAN

WWW.GRACECC.NET MARRIAGE MENTORING/DISCIPLESHIP/“I LOVE YOU” MARRIAGE CLASS (JOURNEY)

SOME THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

- AS YOU CONSIDER THE PRACTICAL IMPACT AND TRUTHS IN THIS PASSAGE HOW IS IT COUNTER-CULTURAL TO THE MESSAGES WE HEAR TODAY (FOR MEN AND WOMEN)?
- RESPOND TO THE STATEMENT “ALL OF US ARE UNDER AUTHORITY AND SUBMIT TO AUTHORITY” IN RELATIONSHIPS IN OUR LIVES—GIVE EXAMPLES OF SOME OF THOSE RELATIONSHIPS IN YOUR LIFE. . .
- LADIES—DID YOU (OR DO YOU) HAVE A GOOD EXAMPLE, BAD EXAMPLE, OR NO EXAMPLE OF BIBLICAL SUBMISSION IN YOUR FAMILY OF ORIGIN? HOW HAS THAT IMPACTED YOUR SPIRITUAL JOURNEY AND GROWTH NOW?
- GUYS—DID YOU (OR DO YOU) HAVE A GOOD EXAMPLE, BAD EXAMPLE, OR NO EXAMPLE OF BIBLICALLY LIVING CONSIDERATELY AND RESPECTFULLY IN YOUR FAMILY OF ORIGIN? HOW HAS THAT IMPACTED YOUR SPIRITUAL JOURNEY AND GROWTH NOW?
- HOW CAN BIBLICAL SUBMISSION BE DEFINED? HOW IS THAT DIFFERENT THAN JUST “COMPLYING”? HOW IS THAT DIFFERENT THAN HOW OUR CULTURE WOULD DEFINE SUBMISSION?
- CONSIDER JESUS’ EXAMPLE OF SUBMISSION TO THE FATHER IN MARK 14:32-33...WHAT ARE THE DYNAMICS OF BIBLICAL SUBMISSION THAT HE MODELS FOR US? IS HIS EXAMPLE ONE OF WEAKNESS OR STRENGTH IN HOW HE RESPONDS TO THE FATHER (HINT—DID HE GO TO THE CROSS???)
- DESCRIBE A GENTLE AND QUIET SPIRIT—WHAT DOES THAT REALLY LOOK LIKE? (AGAIN—TO AVOID EXTREMES EITHER DIRECTION—WHAT IS JESUS’ EXAMPLE?)
- GUYS—HOW DO YOU SHOW RESPECT TO YOUR WIVES? WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO LIVE “IN AN UNDERSTANDING WAY” WITH YOUR WIFE?
- GUYS—DO YOU KNOW YOUR WIFE? DO YOU KNOW HER “LOVE LANGUAGE?” WHAT STEPS DO YOU NEED TO TAKE TO UNDERSTAND HER, LISTEN TO HER, VALUE HER, AND SERVE HER THE WAY CHRIST CALLS YOU TO?
- HOW DO YOU LIVE OUT THESE TRUTHS IN A DIFFICULT MARRIAGE? HOW DO YOU SUBMIT TO A HUSBAND WHO DOES NOT DESERVE IT? HOW DO YOU TREAT A WIFE WITH CONSIDERATION OR RESPECT WHO DOESN’T TREAT YOU THAT WAY? (HINT—DOES JESUS GIVE US HIS GRACE BECAUSE WE DESERVE IT? WHAT IS THE GOSPEL AND HOW DOES IT PRACTICALLY APPLY TO THIS?)
- IF YOU ARE SOMEONE WHO ISN’T MARRIED, HOW CAN YOU APPLY THESE TRUTHS TO YOUR OWN LIFE? (SUBMISSION TO AUTHORITY, BECOMING MORE LIKE THE EXAMPLES OF GODLY MEN AND WOMEN IN THIS PASSAGE, ETC?)
- REMEMBER WHAT JESUS HAS DONE FOR YOU...HOW HE HAS LOVED YOU, SERVED YOU, AND LAVISHED YOU WITH HIS GRACE WHEN YOU DIDN’T DESERVE IT...THANK HIM FOR WHO HE IS IN YOUR LIFE AND THE EMPOWERMENT THROUGH HIS SPIRIT TO LIVE OUT THESE TRUTHS IN YOUR RELATIONSHIPS.

FILL IN THE BLANK KEY

1. UNDER AUTHORITY 2. SUBMIT 3. BE SUBMISSIVE 4. CONSIDERATION 5. RESPECT

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THE CALL TO

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Counter-Cultural

THIS can be learned

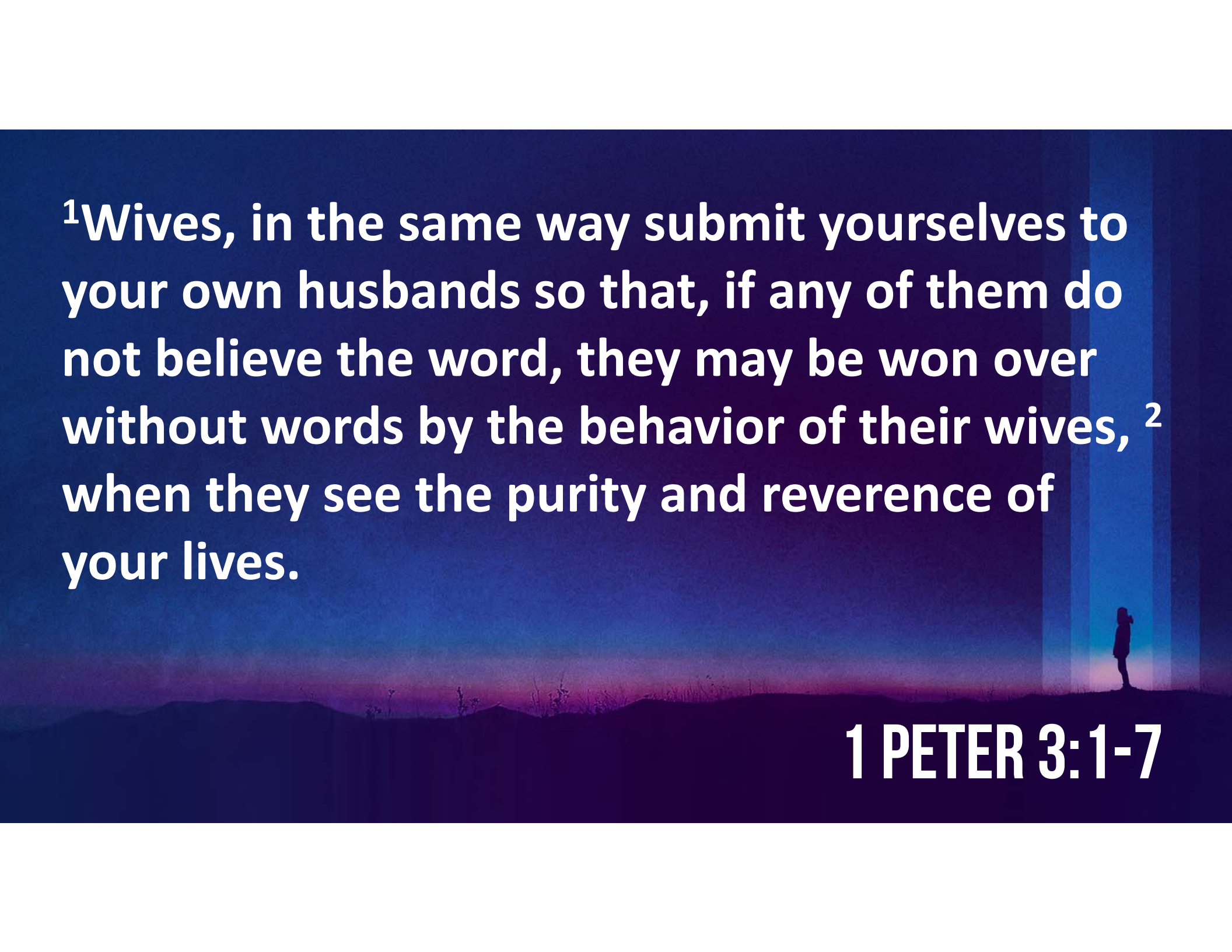
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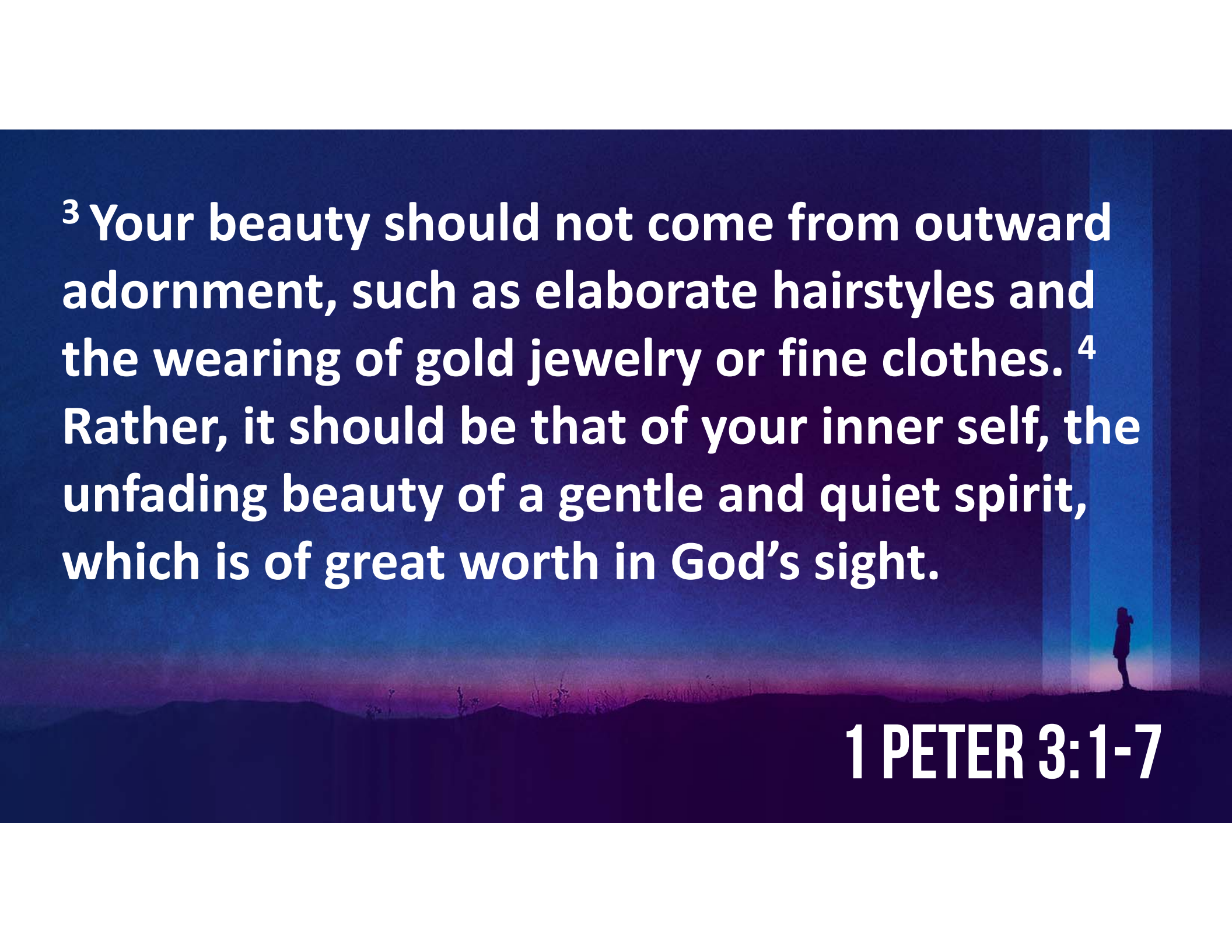
Pastoral vs. Expository

ANSWERING THE CALL TO SERVE — IN THE HOME

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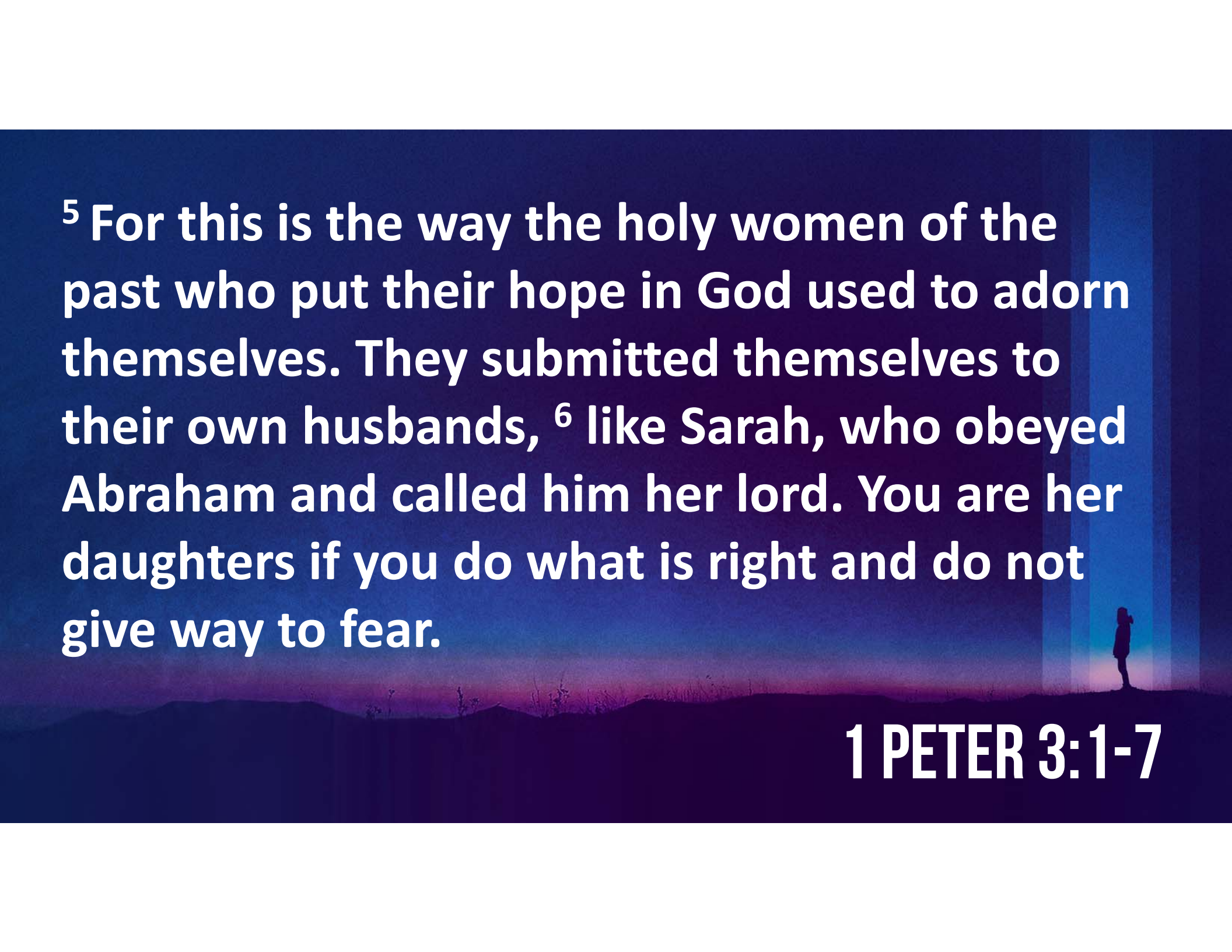
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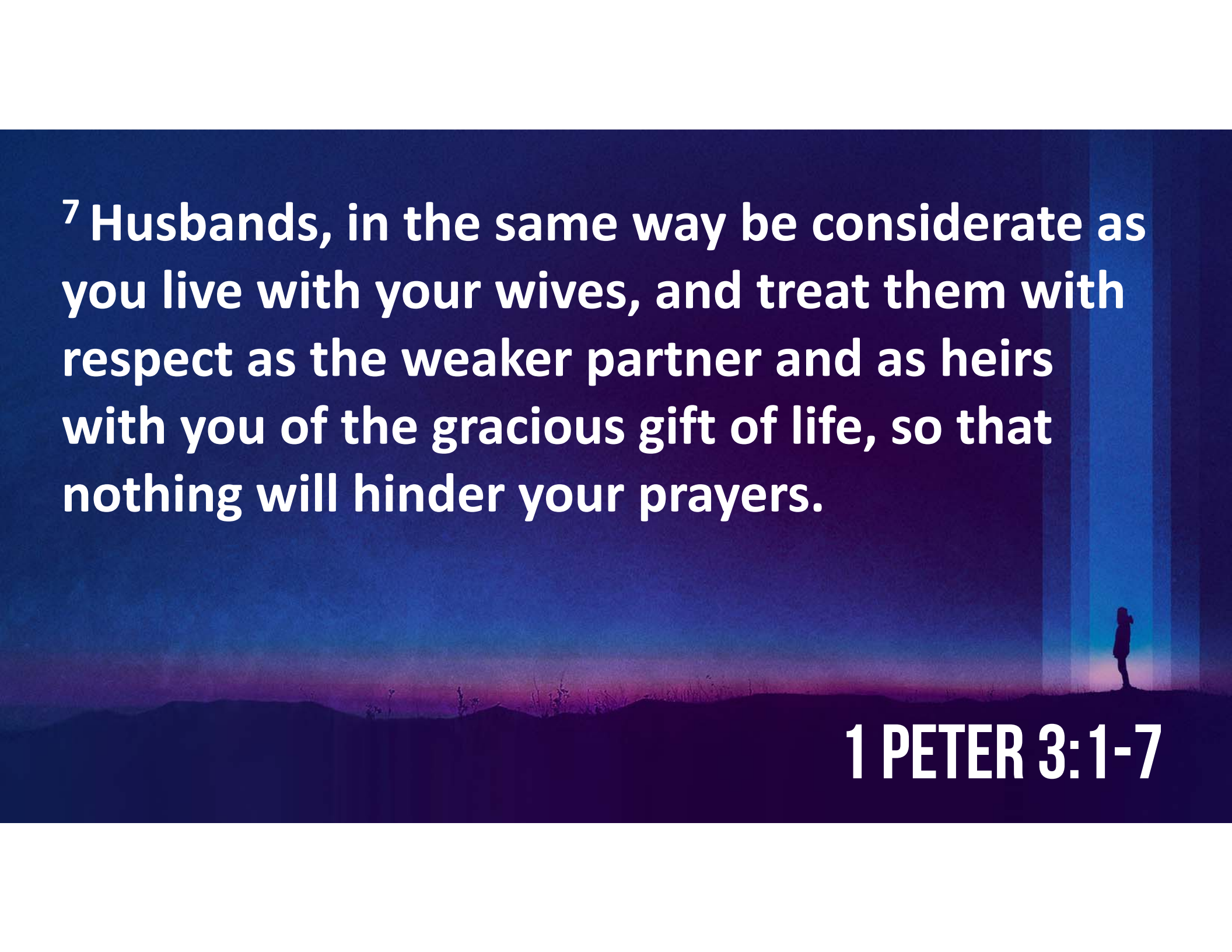
³ Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as elaborate hairstyles and the wearing of gold jewelry or fine clothes. ⁴ Rather, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight.

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⁵ For this is the way the holy women of the past who put their hope in God used to adorn themselves. They submitted themselves to their own husbands, ⁶ like Sarah, who obeyed Abraham and called him her lord. You are her daughters if you do what is right and do not give way to fear.

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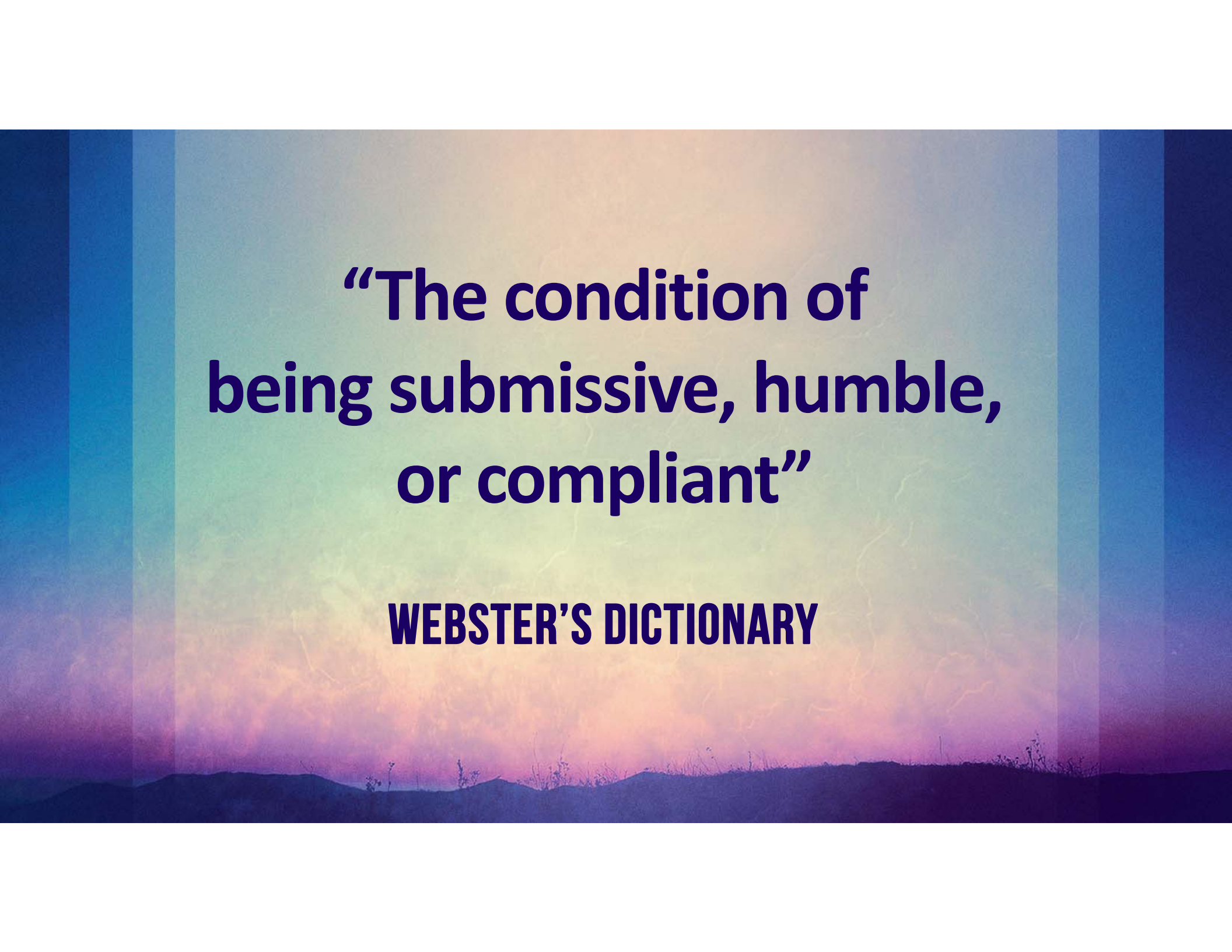
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**“The condition of
being submissive, humble,
or compliant”**

WEBSTER’S DICTIONARY

Mark 14:32-36

³⁵And going a little farther, he fell on the ground and **prayed that**, if it were possible, **the hour might pass from him.** ³⁶And he said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. **Remove this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will."**

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1. Give your *feelings*...

2. Give your *desires*...


3. Give your *trust*...

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To yield oneself voluntarily to the
leadership of another.

SUBMISSION—SERMON NOTES

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It results from personal or relational respect
and is expressed by deferring to another's
judgment, opinion or decision.

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We submit right up to the point where
obedience would require that we would
disobey God.

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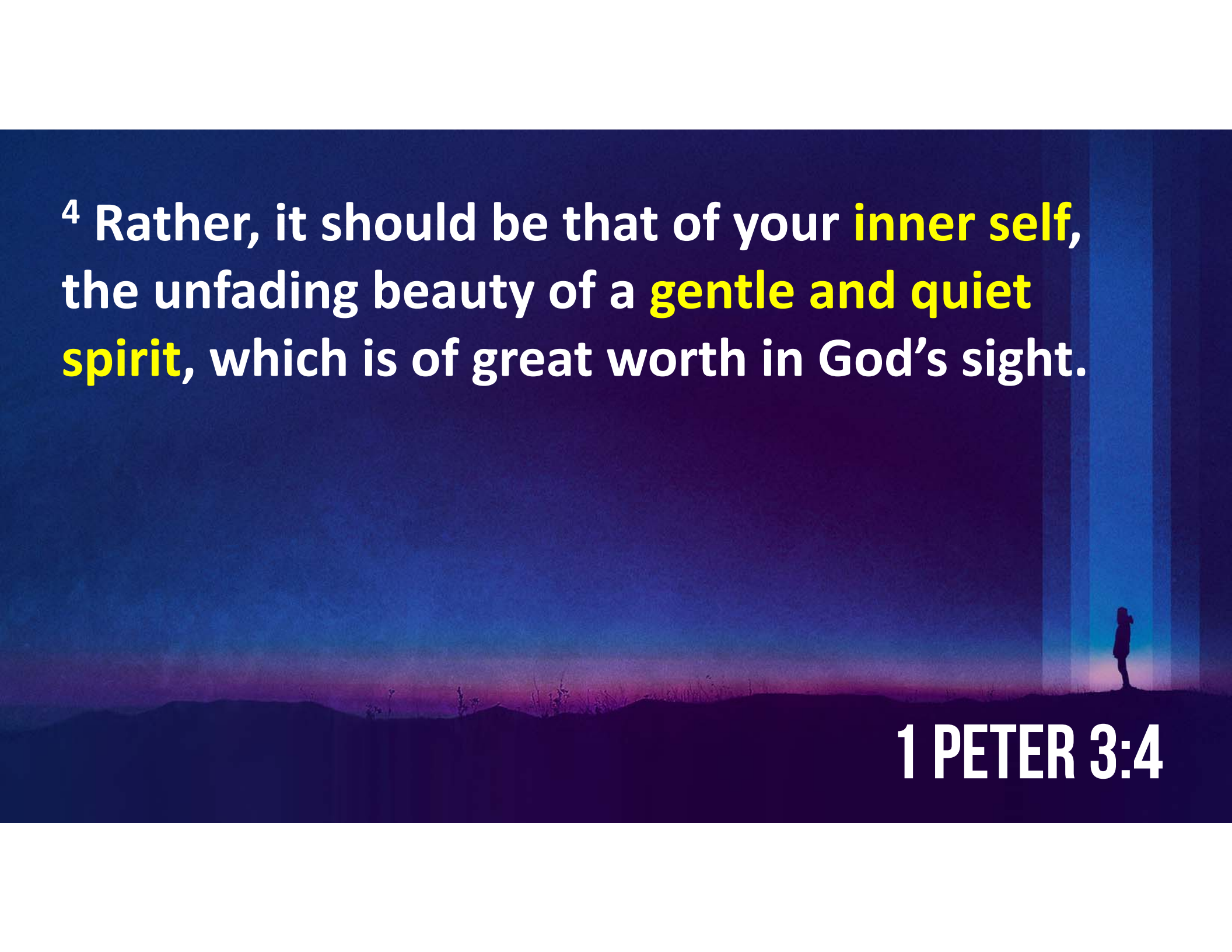
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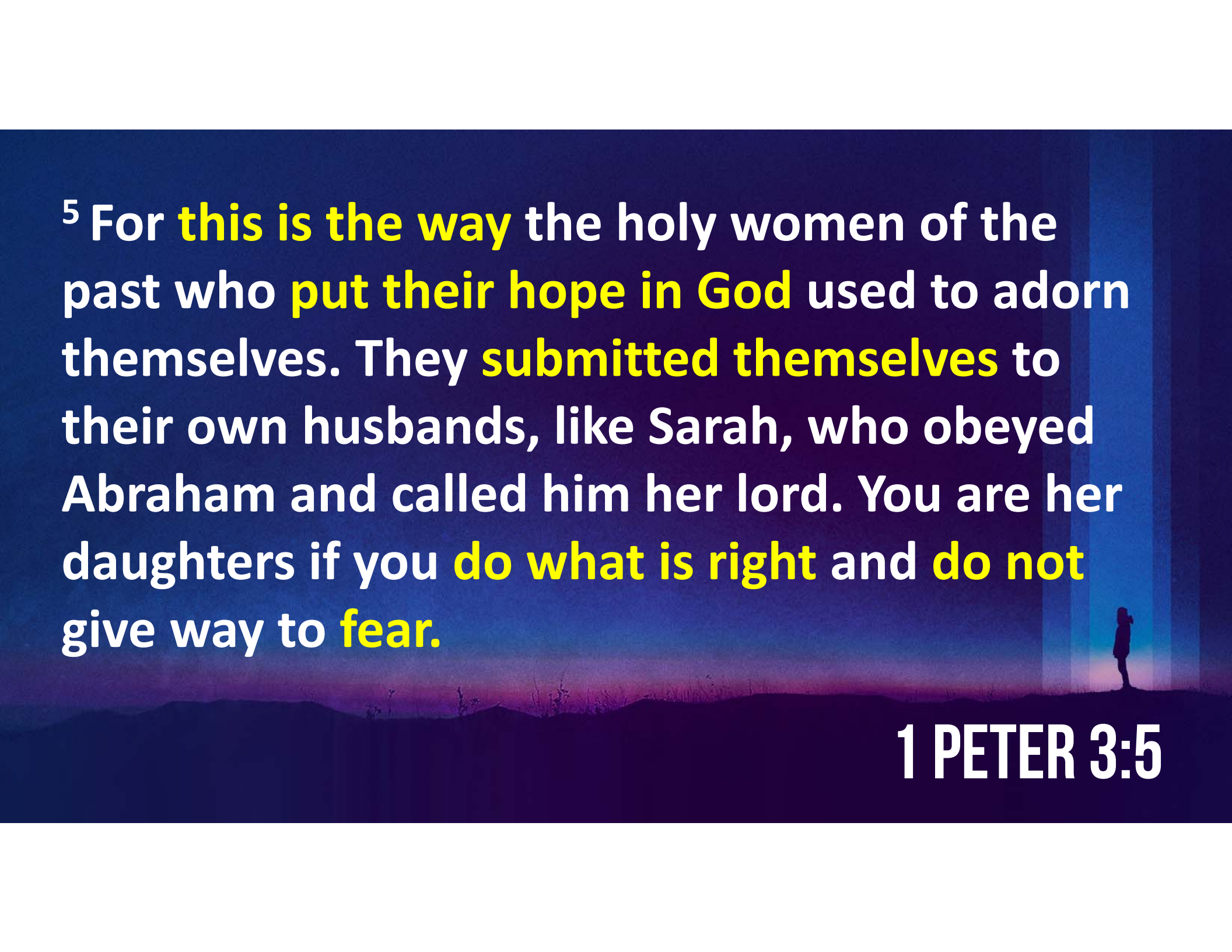
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A person is silhouetted against a sunset or sunrise sky, standing on a hillside. The sky transitions from a deep blue at the top to a warm orange and red near the horizon. The person is positioned on the right side of the frame, looking out over the landscape.

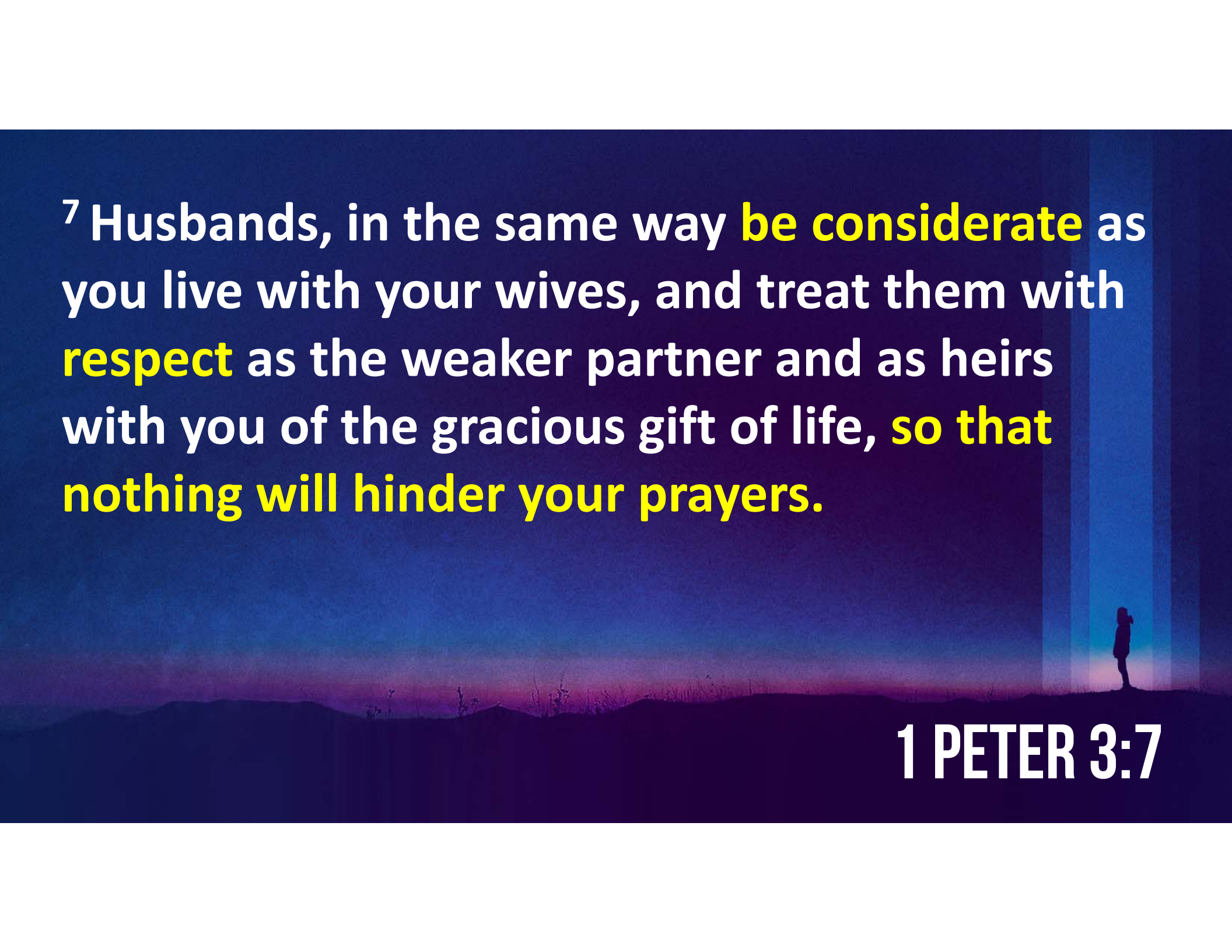
⁴ Rather, it should be that of your **inner self**,
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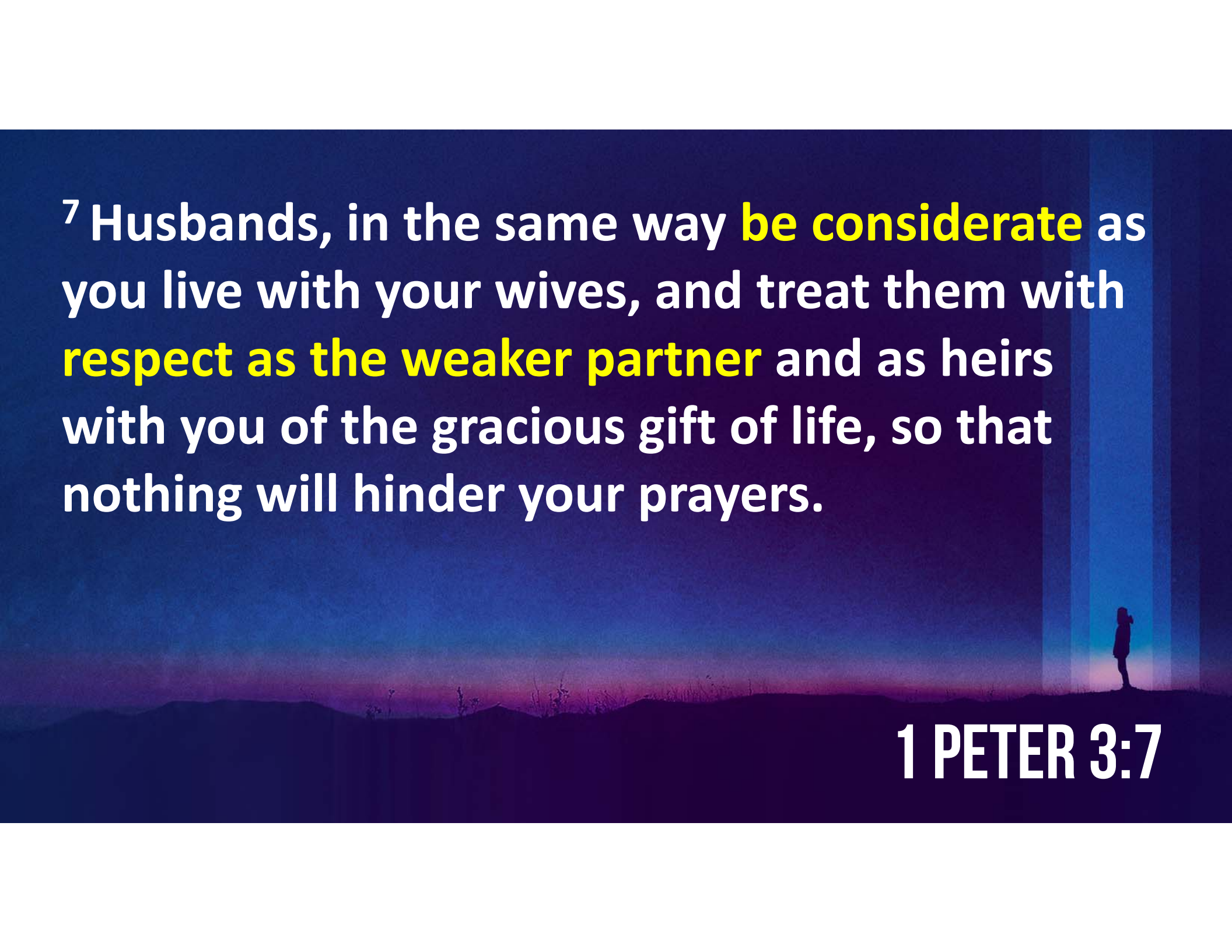
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Husbands—How can you show your wife consideration and respect?

Wives—How can you submit to your husband?

Singles/Students/Everyone—How can you submit to Christ's authority in your life?

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