

The Prayer Warrior's Way: How to Pray with Power, Purpose and Precision

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Why Become a Prayer Warrior?



Main Ingredients

*Time

*Preparation

*Spontaneity

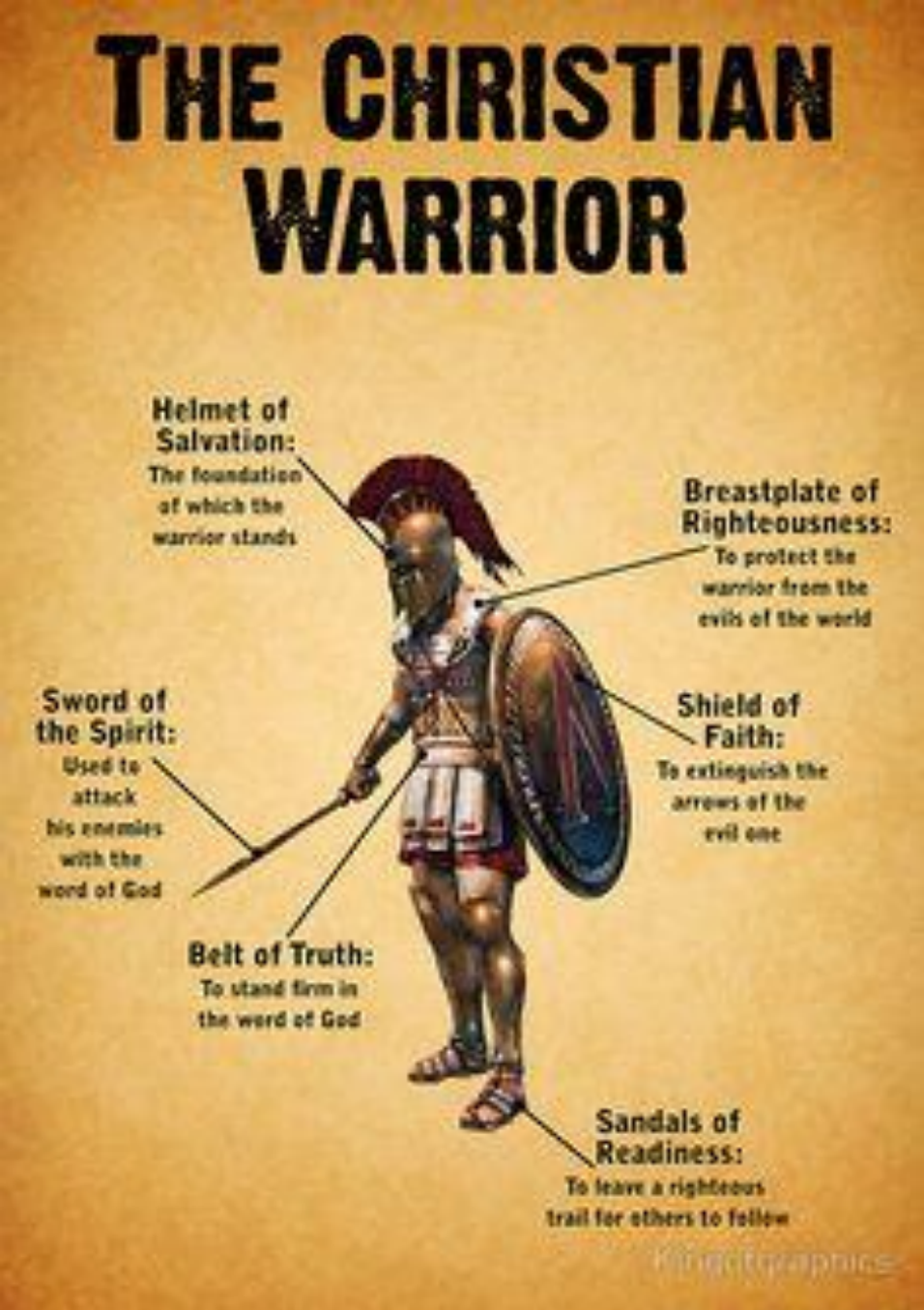
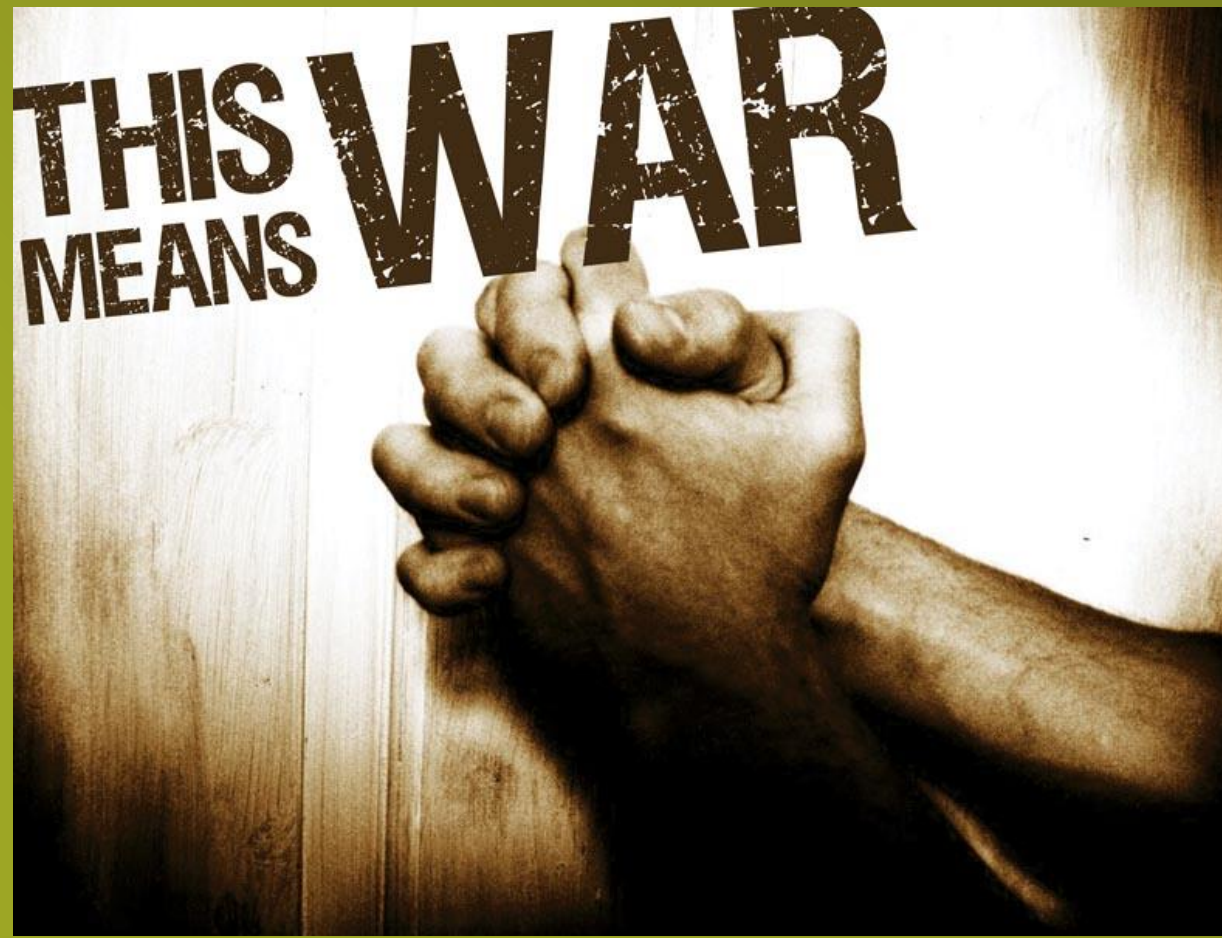
*Intention/Passion

*Vulnerability

*If our religion does not
set us on fire, it is because
we have frozen hearts.
God dwells in a flame.*

The Necessity Of Prayer by EM

Bounds



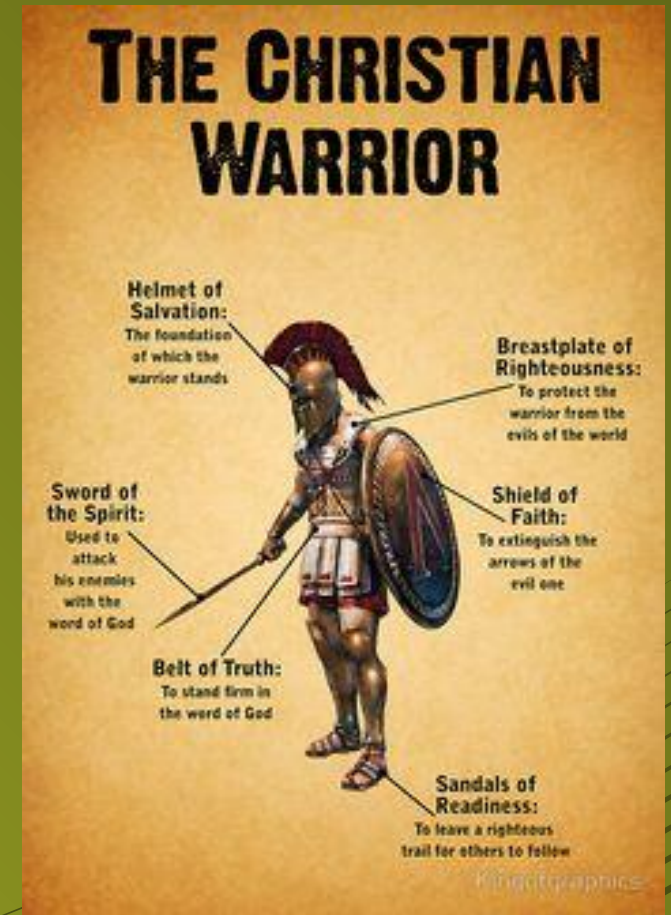
The Prayer Warrior's Tool



Praying the Armor

“Wrap truth around his waist as a **belt**”

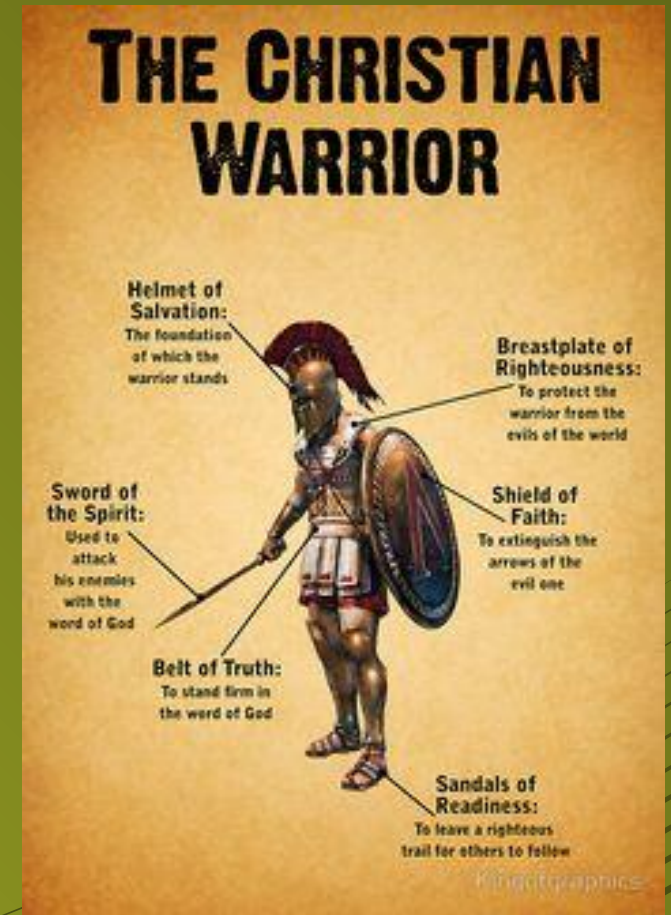
“Let God’s righteousness fully protect his torso as a **breastplate**”



Praying the Armor

“May her footprints be marked with God’s good news of **peace**”

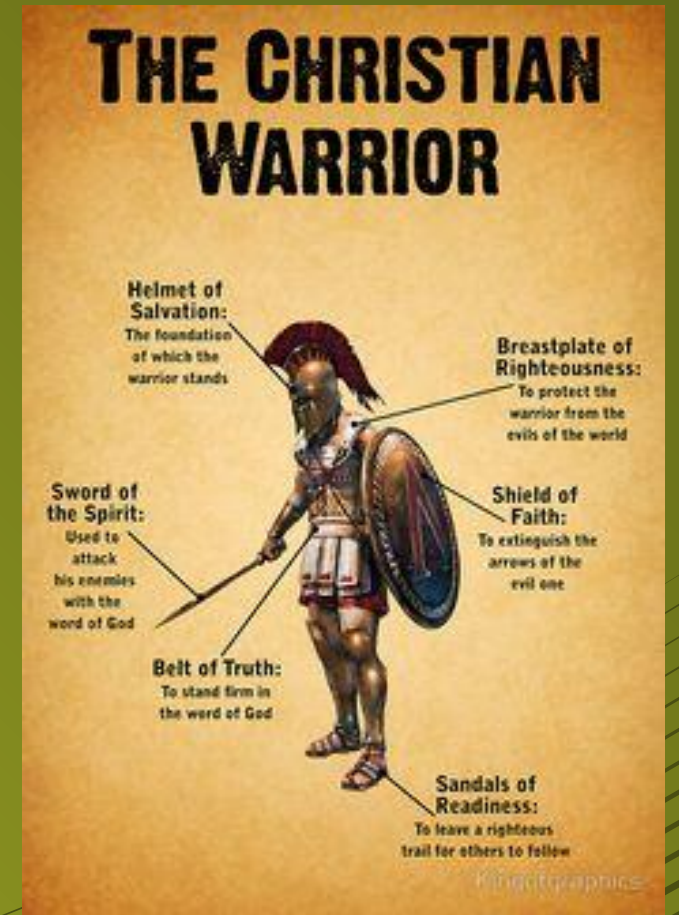
“May she take up faith as a **shield**”

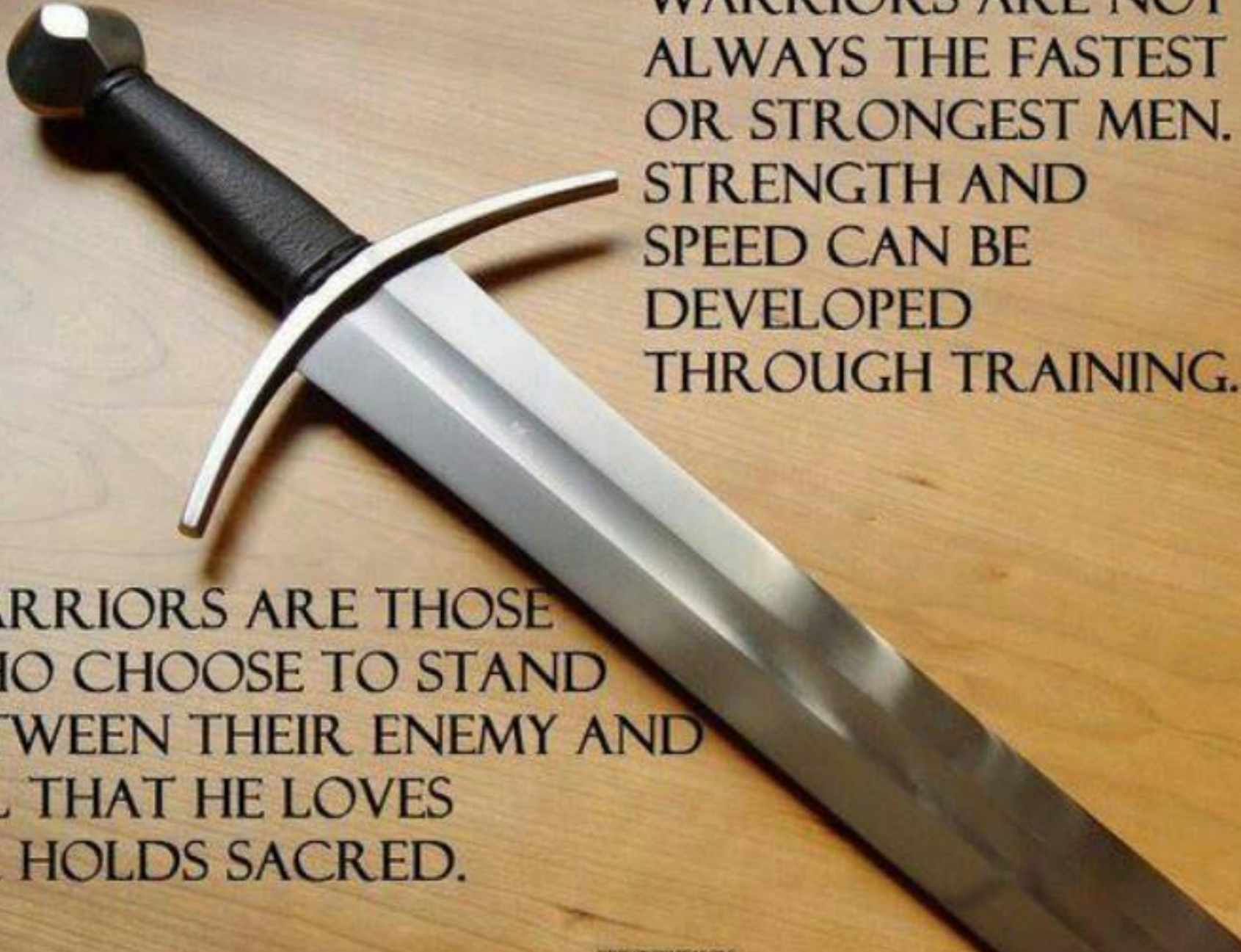


Praying the Armor

“Wrap God’s salvation around her head like a **helmet**”

“And let him take up God’s Word as a **sword**”





WARRIORS ARE NOT
ALWAYS THE FASTEST
OR STRONGEST MEN.
STRENGTH AND
SPEED CAN BE
DEVELOPED
THROUGH TRAINING.

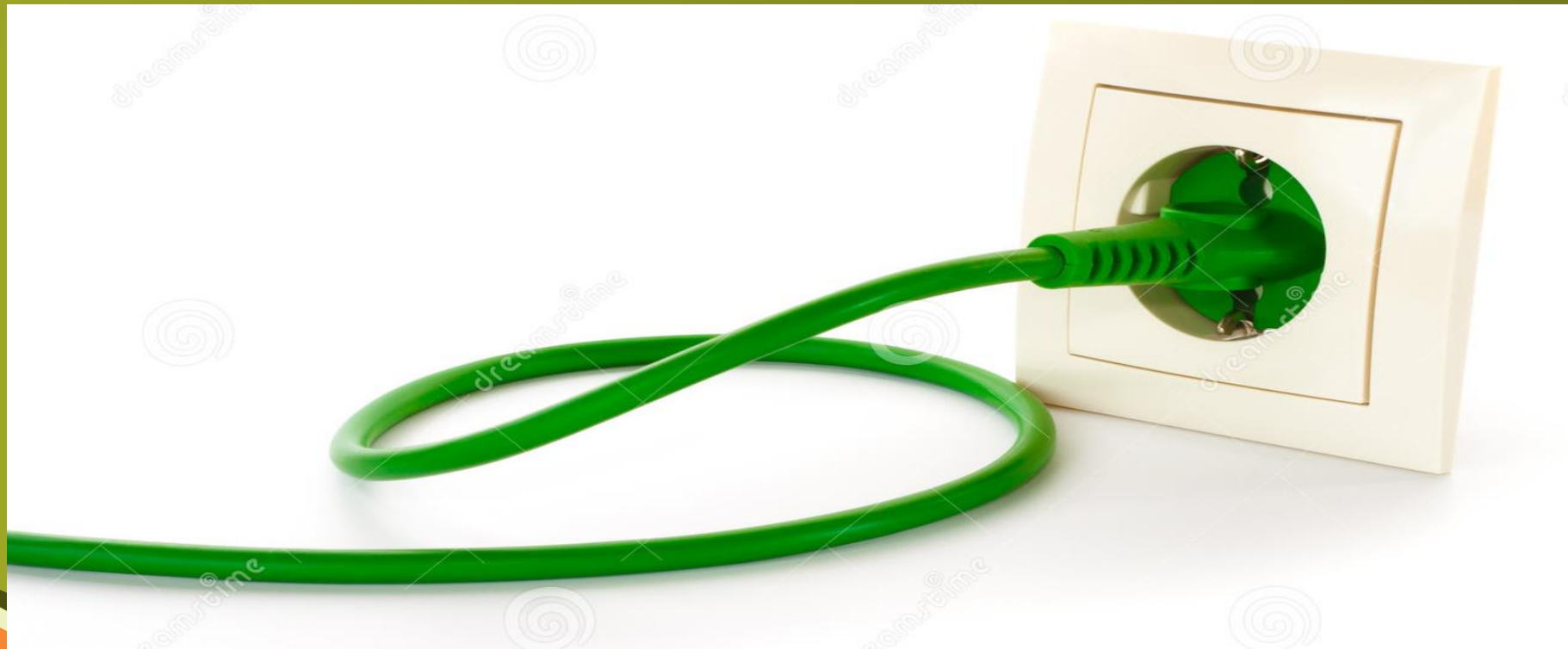
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WHO CHOOSE TO STAND
BETWEEN THEIR ENEMY AND
ALL THAT HE LOVES
OR HOLDS SACRED.



*The giant in front
of you is never bigger
than the God who
lives in you.*



Prayer Warriors... Pray with Power



Prayer is the conduit to God's power



“Knowing” God = Impacting Kingdom

- Know the God’s...
 - will
 - heart
 - character
 - attributes
- Know how God works.

**BUT THE PEOPLE
WHO KNOW
THEIR GOD
WILL DISPLAY STRENGTH
AND TAKE
ACTION**

DANIEL 11:32



POWER

MUST

CHANGE

HANDS



A PRAYER WARRIOR

*HAS A HEART OF
COMPASSION
FOR SUFFERING PEOPLE
AND BAD SITUATIONS,
AND DESIRES TO DO SOMETHING
TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE.*

PRAYER WARRIOR, STORMIE OMARTIAN



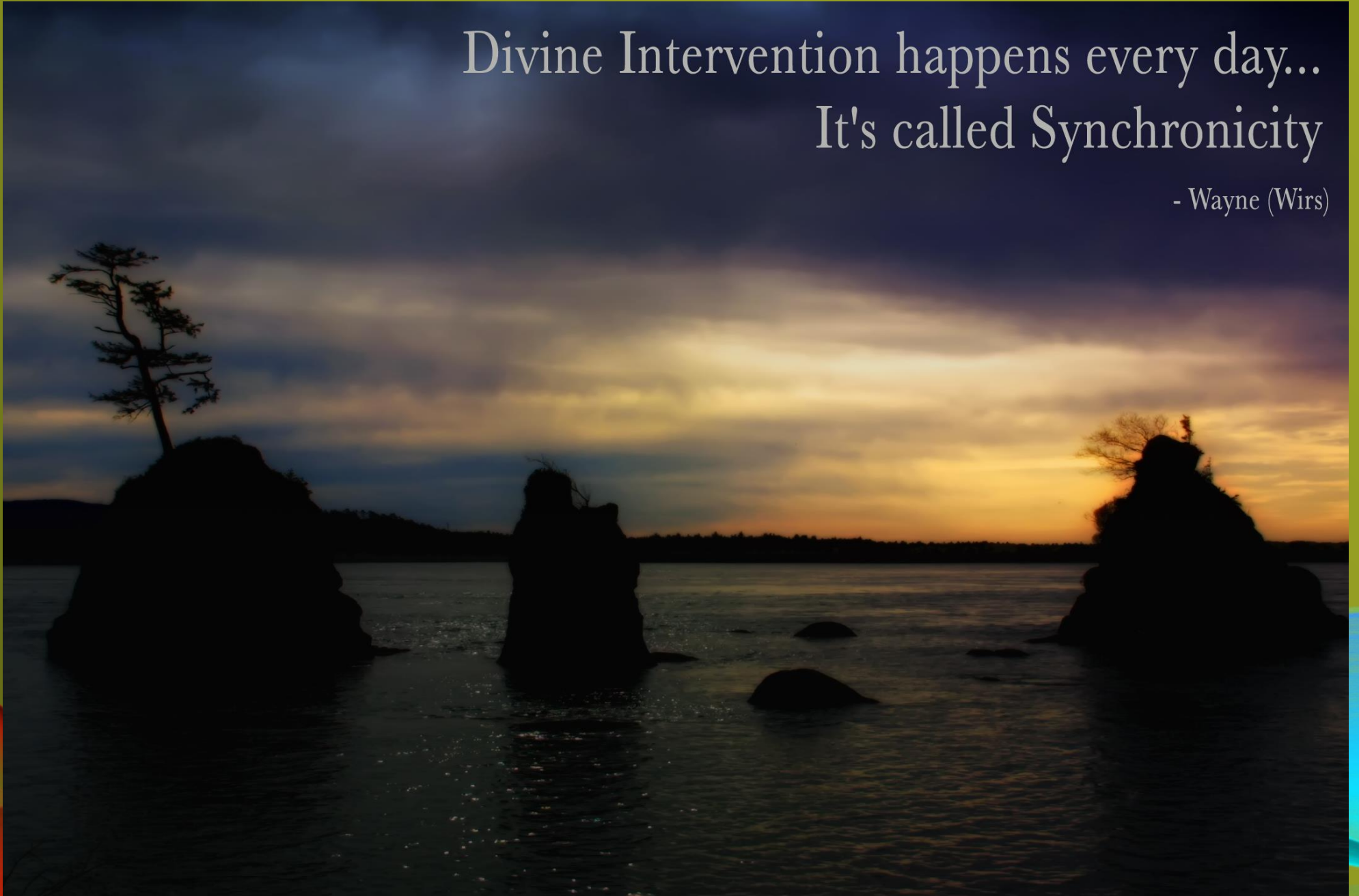
Prayer Warriors EXPECT God To Move

“To pray without expectation is to misunderstand the whole concept of prayer and relationship with God.”

-- AW Tozer

Divine Intervention happens every day..
It's called Synchronicity

- Wayne (Wirs)



synchronicity · *noun*

1. the experience of two or more events that are apparently causally unrelated or unlikely to occur together by chance, yet are experienced as occurring together in a meaningful manner.

Prayer Warriors... Pray with Purpose



YOU

**THE
FIFTH
GOSPEL**

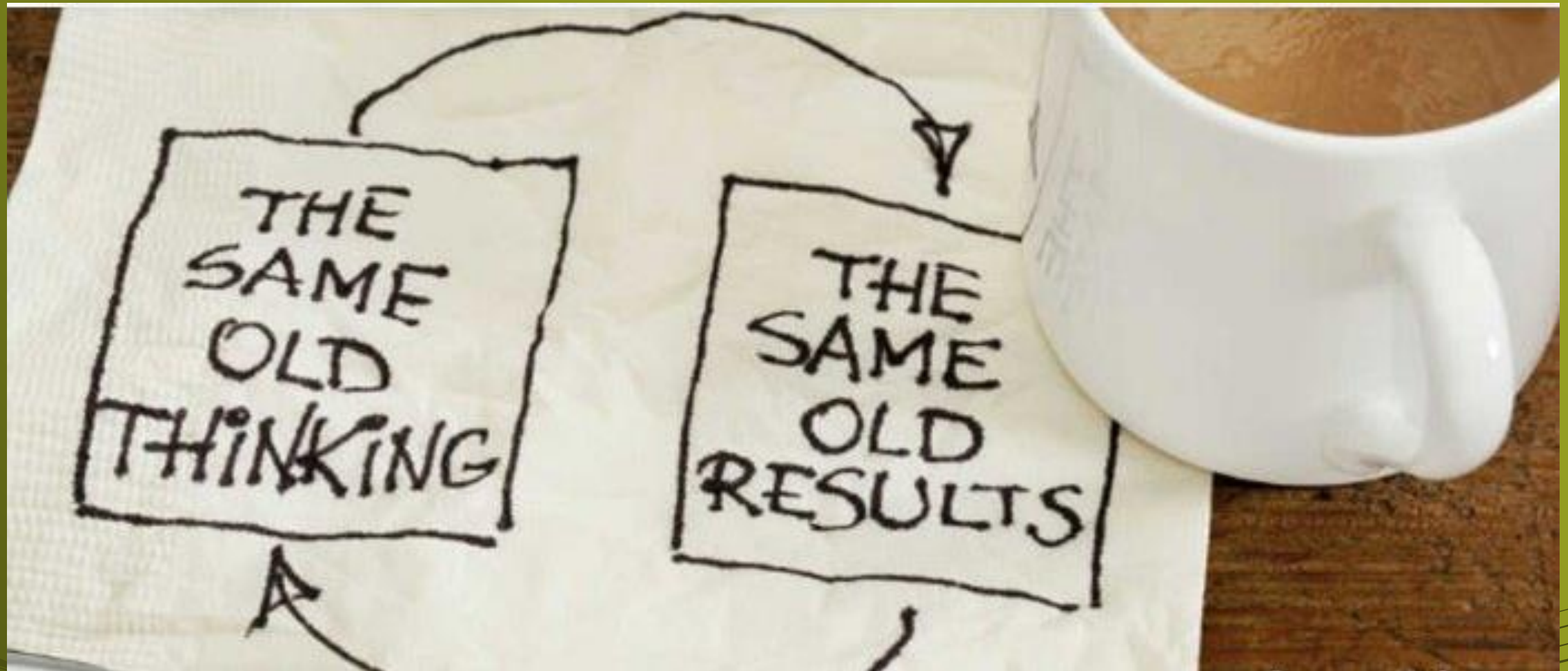


LED by the
SPIRIT

**FOR WE DO NOT
WRESTLE AGAINST FLESH
AND BLOOD,
BUT AGAINST THE RULERS,
AGAINST THE AUTHORITIES,
AGAINST
THE COSMIC POWERS OVER
THIS PRESENT DARKNESS,
AGAINST THE SPIRITUAL FORCES
OF EVIL IN THE HEAVENLY PLACES.
-EPHESIANS 6:12 ESV #BATTLEPLANDC**



Definition of Insanity... Expecting Something Different from the Same Stuff



change

is

difficult.

not

changing

is

fatal.



Pray, thy will come

- James 4:3
- ³ You ask and do not receive, because you ask **amiss**, that you may spend *it* on your pleasures.



Guidelines for Purposeful Prayer Warriors



Guidelines...

PRAYER REQUESTS
We are here to pray for you!



1. Keep an active list of prayer concerns/people.
2. Pray specifically by name/issue for each person on your list.
3. Use Scripture prayers in addition to your personal prayers.
4. Find others to pray with/for you.

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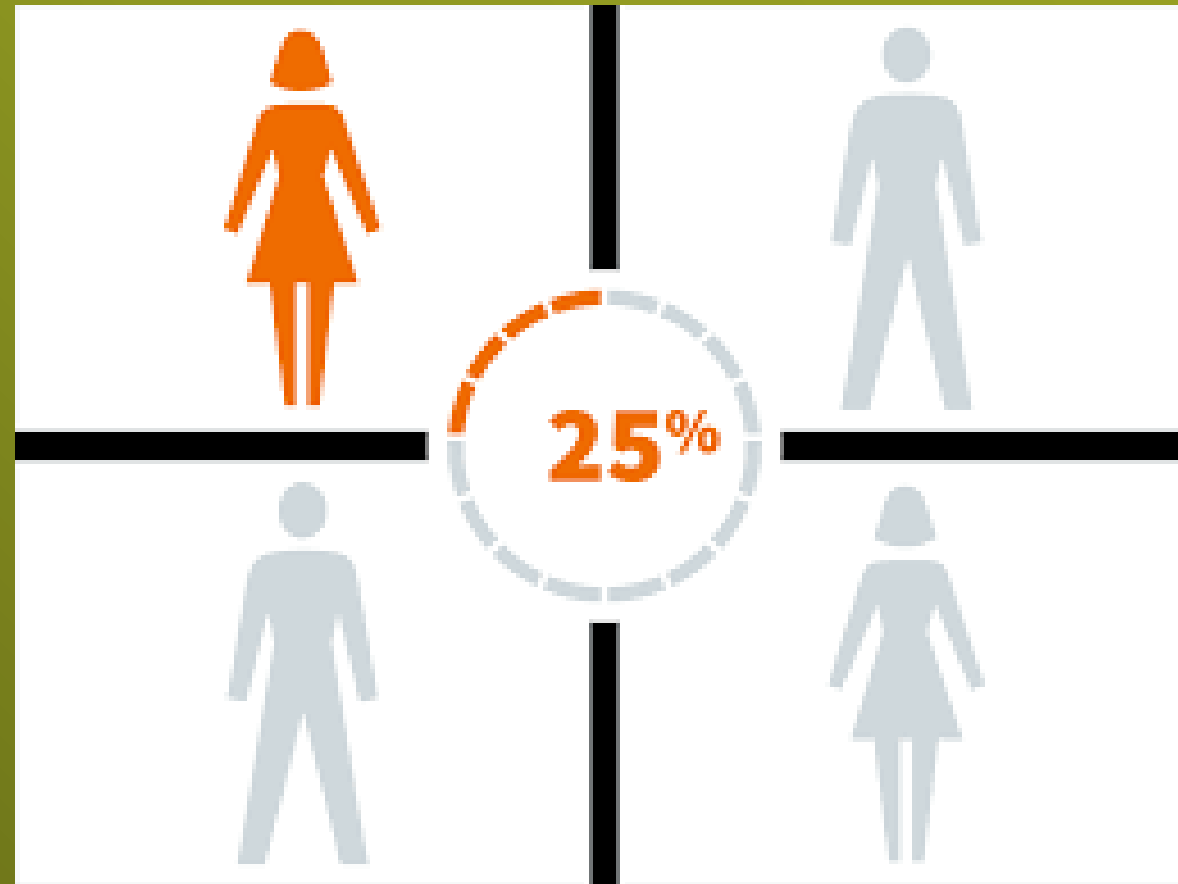
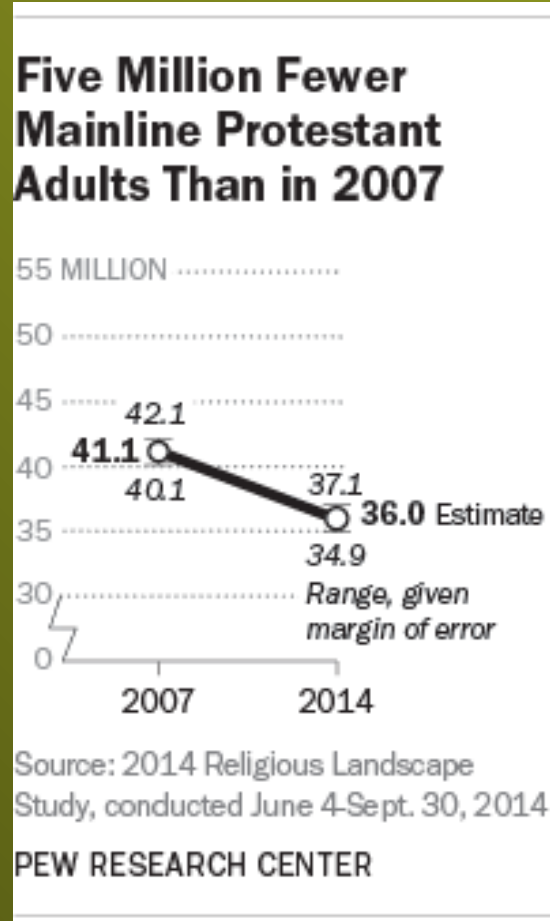
5. Sit silently in prayer, enjoying time with God.
6. Seek to hear God's voice. Allow God to speak to you.
7. Pray for your church, your pastor, pre-believers, God's will, eternal interests.

Purposeful Prayer Warriors Understand Culture



Culture is the pond in
which we swim and the
lens through which we
see the world.

Opportunities: 1 in 4 Americans is Unchurched



1 Million Unchurched in DMV Alone



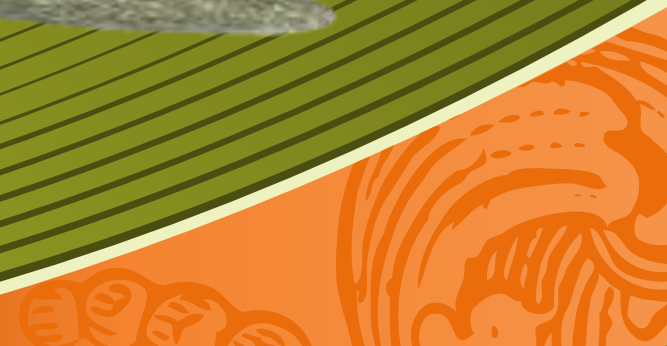
**85% OF PEOPLE
DIDN'T GO TO CHURCH LAST SUNDAY.**

MORE THAN 9/10 OF THE UNCHURCHED SAID THEY WOULD ATTEND CHURCH IF THEY WERE INVITED



If we invite them, they'll come

Prayer Warriors... Pray with Precision



There is a general kind of praying which fails for lack of precision. It is as if a regiment of soldiers should all fire off their guns anywhere. Possibly somebody would be killed, but the majority of the enemy would be missed.

Charles Spurgeon



Being Led
by the
SPIRIT
of God



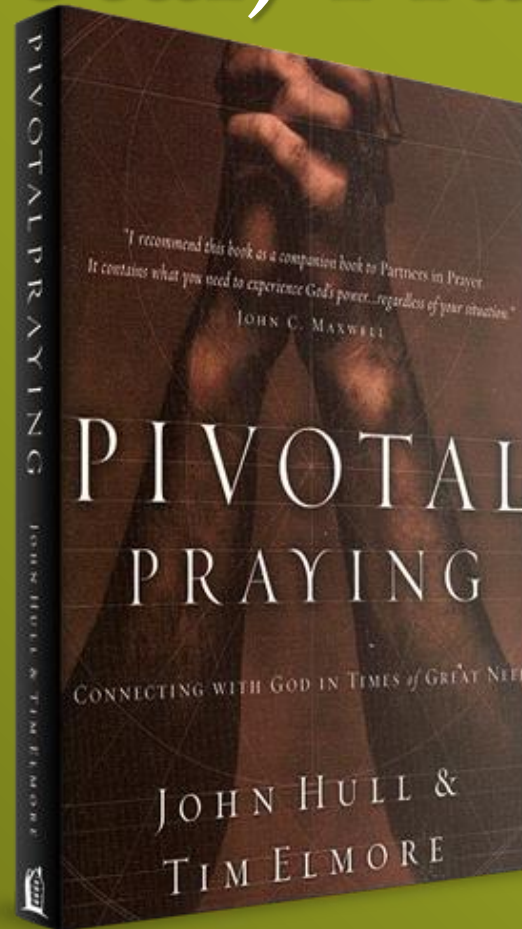
since we live by
the spirit
we must also follow
the spirit

GALATIANS 5:25

SHE READS TRUTH.COM

Precision (or Pivotal) Praying

- **Logistical**
- **Tactical**
- **Strategic**



Logistical Praying

Focuses on...

- own personal needs
- temporal perspective



Sample Logistical Prayer

"Lord, help us to do well this morning. Help us to get through our program on time, help the microphones to work and help us to be calm. Amen."

Tactical Praying

Focuses on...

- others needs
- temporal perspective



Sample Tactical Prayer

"Lord, please bless all who participate in the service today, and bless the people who attend. May it be inspiring to everyone. Amen."

Strategic Praying

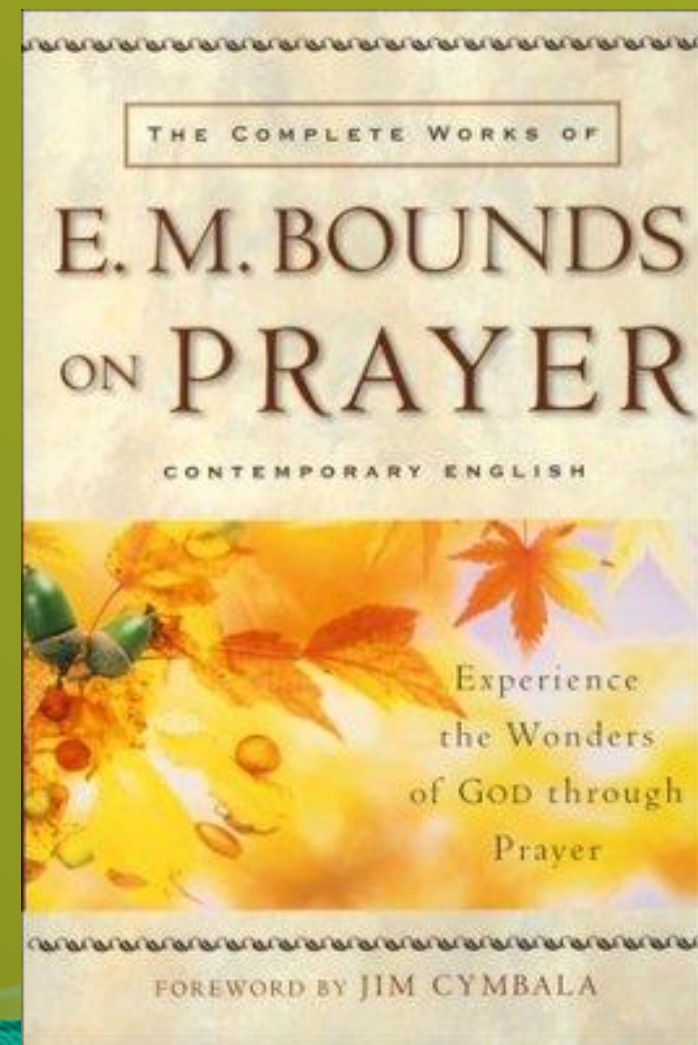
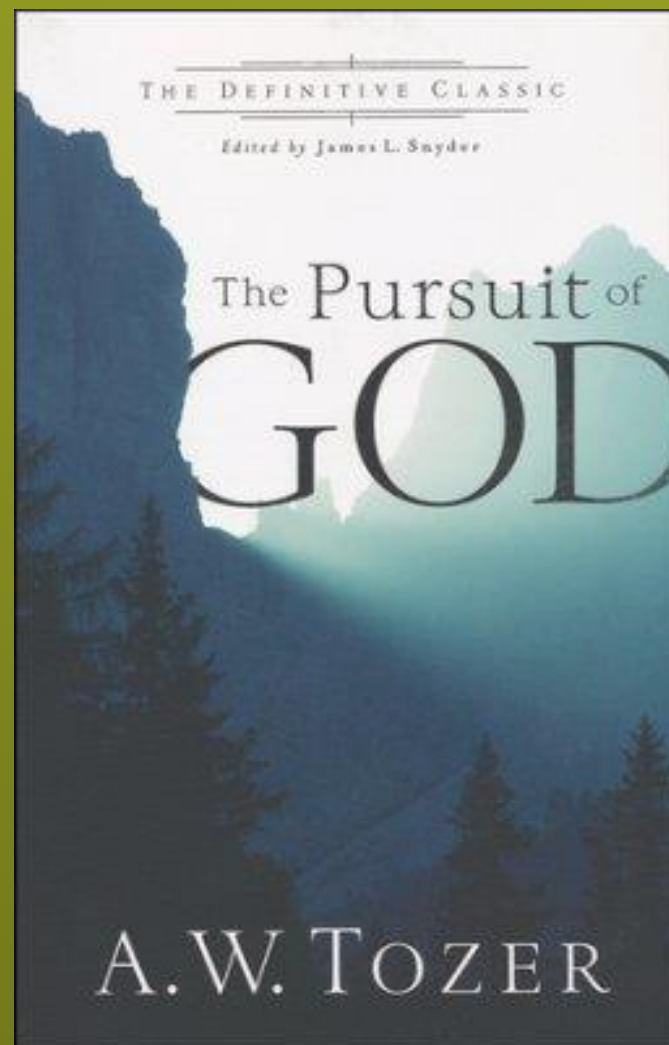
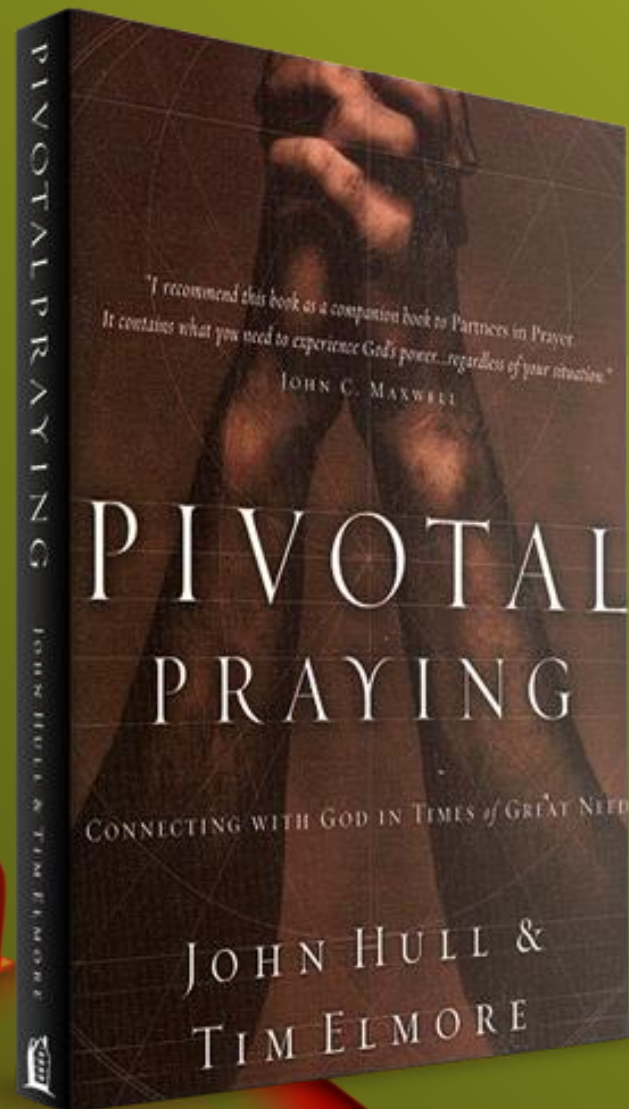
Focuses on...

- God's ultimate objective
- eternal perspective



Sample Strategic Prayer

"Lord, raise up disciples from this service today. Regardless of what happens to the microphones, the musicians or anyone else on the platform, use this service to glorify Yourself and bring Your Kingdom more fully to this earth. Amen."

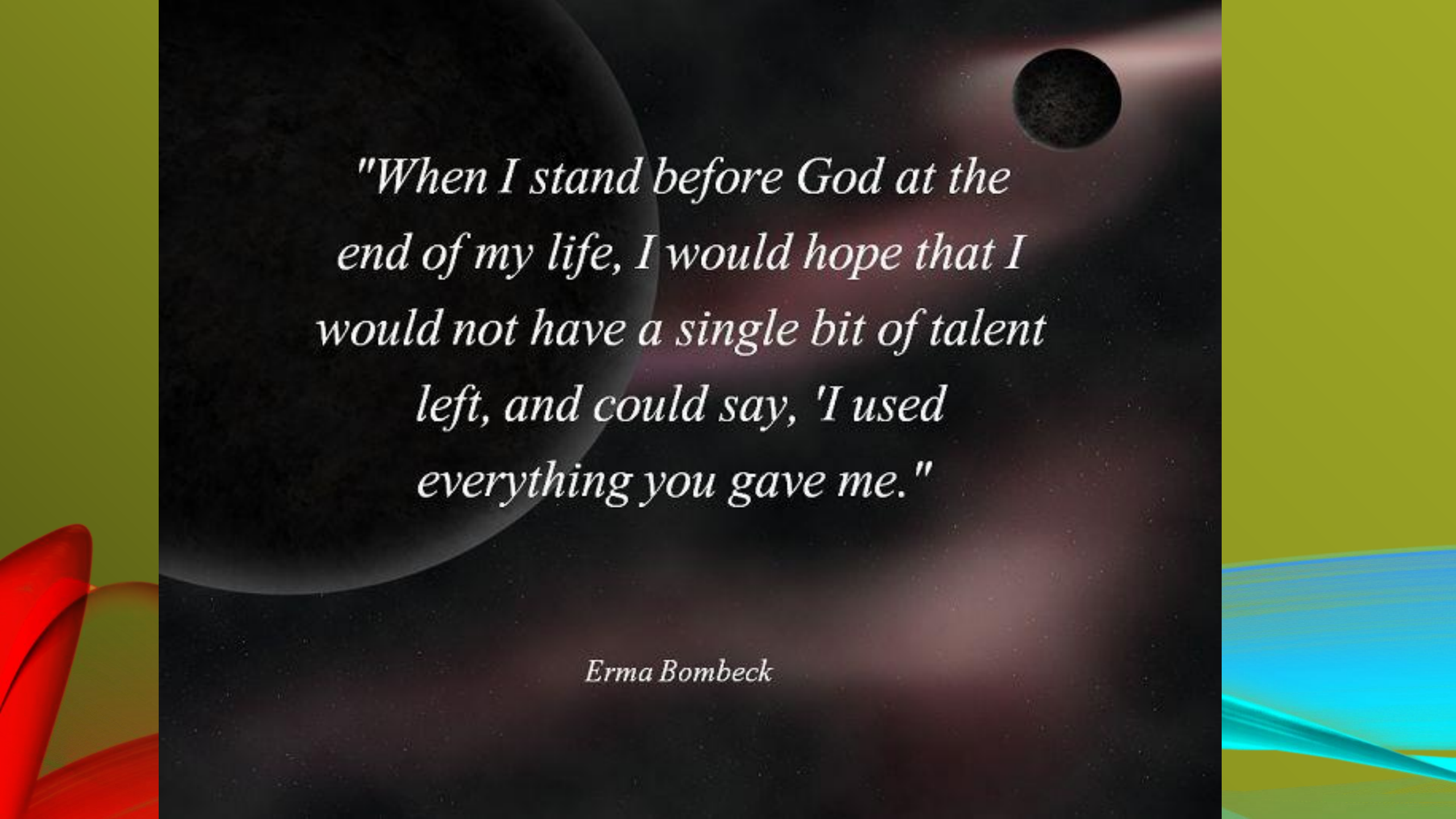


Questions?

Thoughts?

Discussion...





*"When I stand before God at the
end of my life, I would hope that I
would not have a single bit of talent
left, and could say, 'I used
everything you gave me.'"*

Erma Bombeck

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