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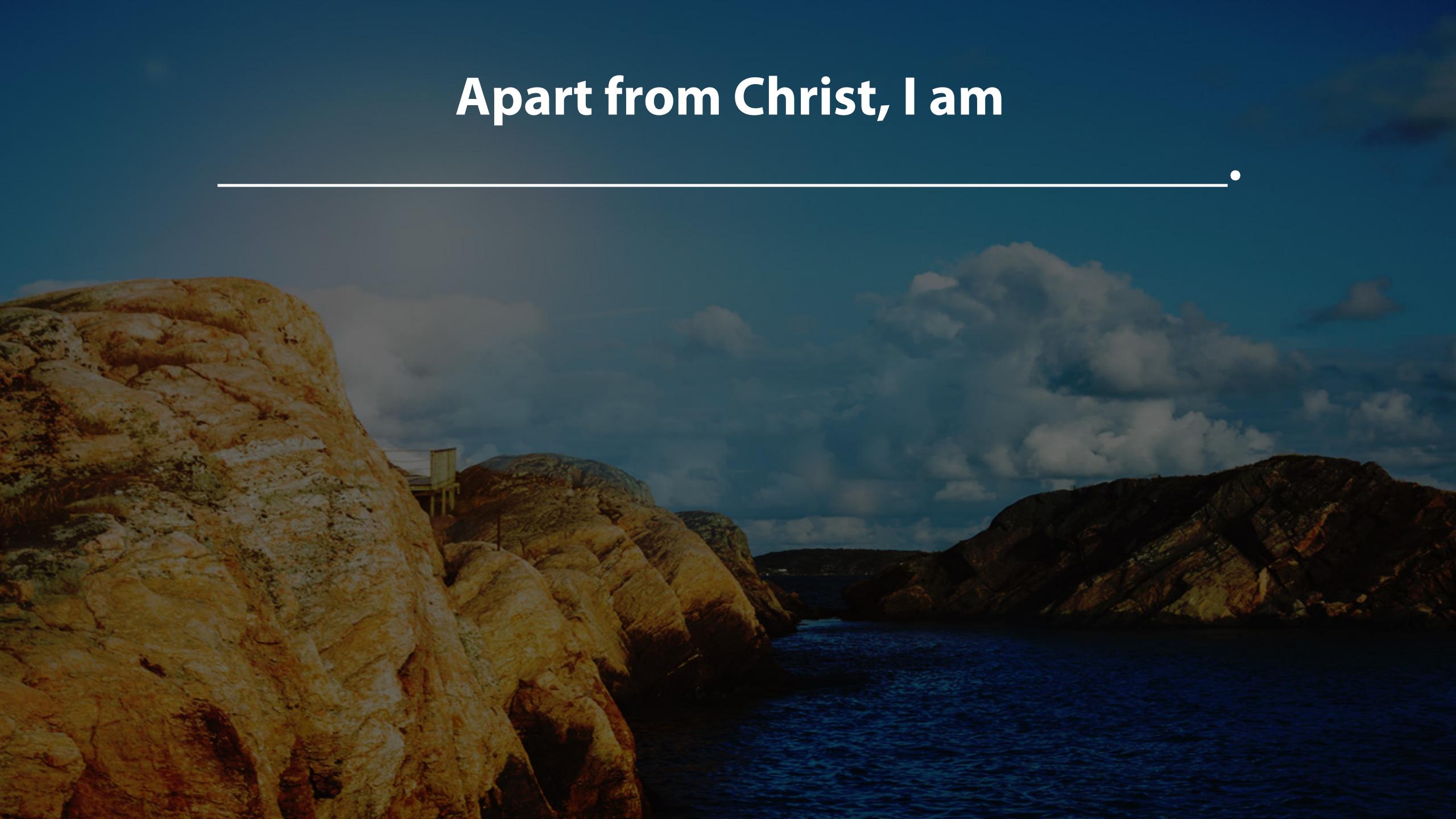




Romans 5:8 (ESV) but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.









Remembering who we are apart from Christ, drives us to embrace our identity in Christ.





In Christ, I am



saved, free, healed, forgiven, loved, cherished, worthy, strong, consistent, faithful, bold, pure, humble, gentle, joyful, peaceful, patient, eternal, worthy, more than adequate, beautiful, worthy, strong, a son or a daughter.









2. The goal of the Christian life is <u>daily dependence</u> on Jesus.





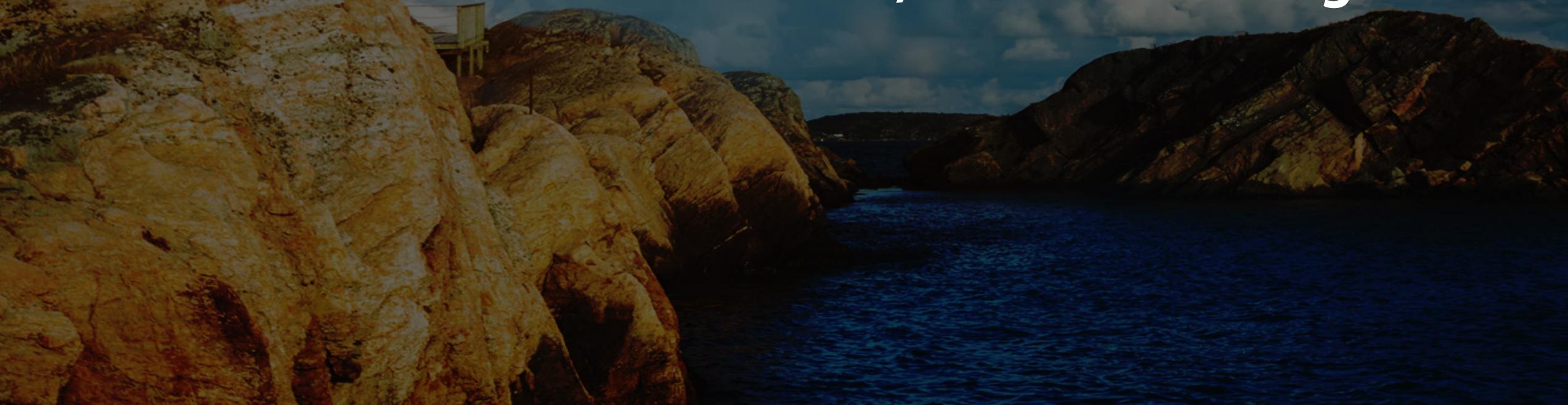








So now I am glad to boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ can work through me. That's why I take pleasure in my weaknesses, and in the insults, hardships, persecutions, and troubles that I suffer for Christ. For when I am weak, then I am strong.











If I <u>confess</u> my mess, Jesus can <u>heal</u> me from our mess.

James 5:16 (NLT) Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed.





1 John 1:7-9 (ESV)

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.



3. The best <u>messengers</u> of Jesus are those that have allowed Him to heal their <u>mess</u>.





John 21:15-19 (NLT)

After breakfast Jesus asked Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" "Yes, Lord," Peter replied, "you know I love you." "Then feed my lambs," Jesus told him. Jesus repeated the question: "Simon son of John, do you love me?" "Yes, Lord," Peter said, "you know I love you." "Then take care of my sheep," Jesus said.

A third time he asked him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"

Peter was hurt that Jesus asked the question a third time. He said, "Lord, you know everything.

You know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Then feed my sheep.

"I tell you the truth, when you were young, you were able to do as you liked; you dressed yourself and went wherever you wanted to go. But when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and others will dress you and take you where you don't want to go."

Jesus said this to let him know by what kind of death he would glorify God. Then Jesus told him, "Follow me."

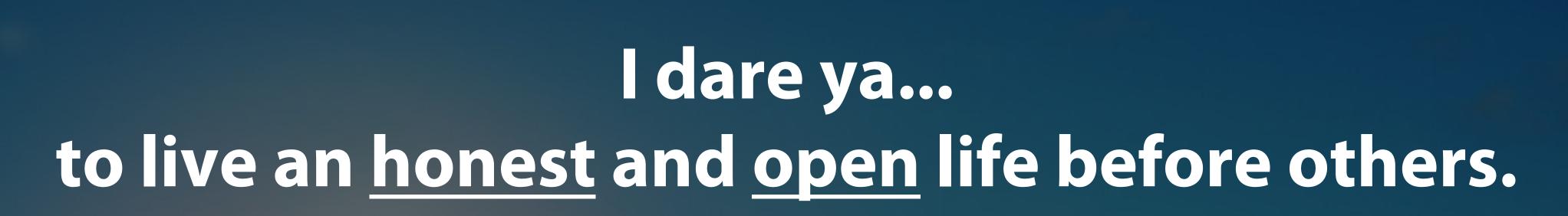




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