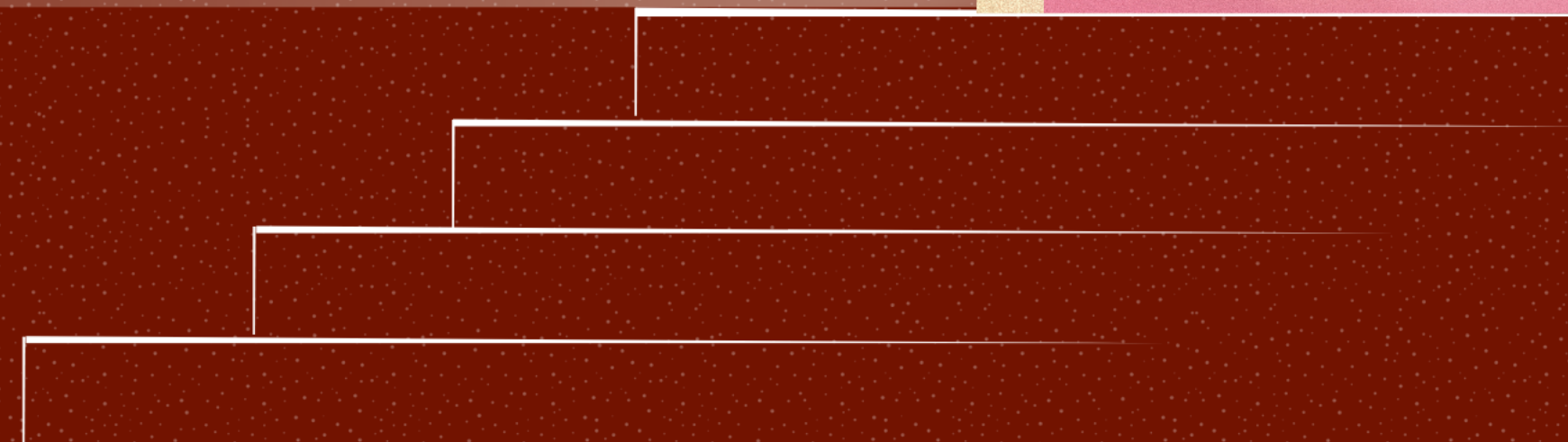
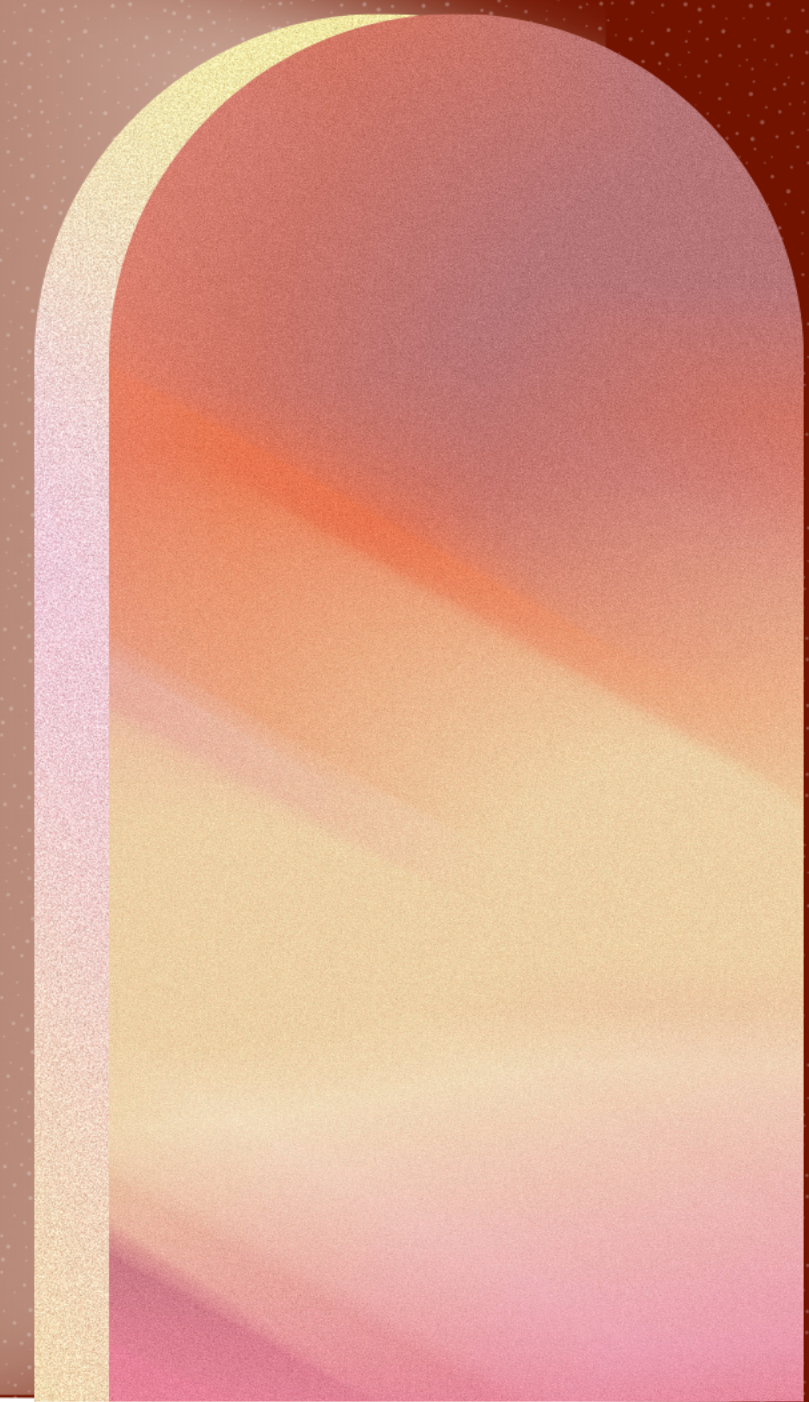


# ENCOUNTER

What God Wants

*God*



**God is not manipulatable**

modification of our stance toward Him is necessary.

# God's Aseity

**Latin:** a se, from oneself

22 So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: "Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. 23 For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription: 'To the unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. 24 The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man,

**ACTS 17:22-24 (ESV)**

25 nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. 26 And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, 27 that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us,

**ACTS 17:25-27 (ESV)**

28 for “ ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, “ ‘For we are indeed his offspring.’ 29 Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man.

**ACTS 17:28-29 (ESV)**

30 The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, 31 because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

**ACTS 17:30-31 (ESV)**



...does not live in *temples* made by man



GOD

CHOICES



GOD

He doesn't need you...

CHOOSSES

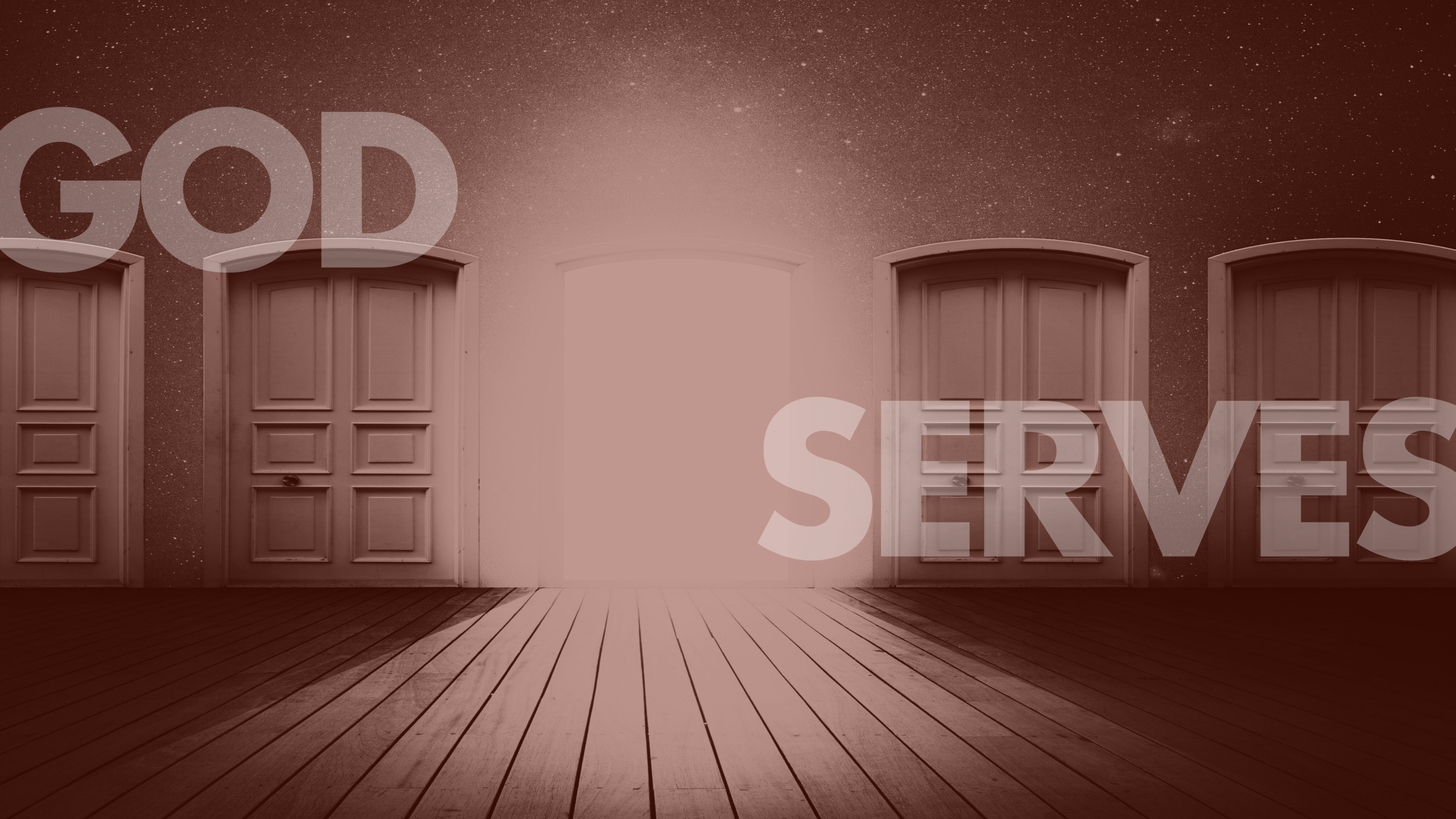
...but He *wants you.*



nor is He *served* by human hands,  
as though He needed anything, since  
He Himself *gives* all to mankind...

GOD

SERVES



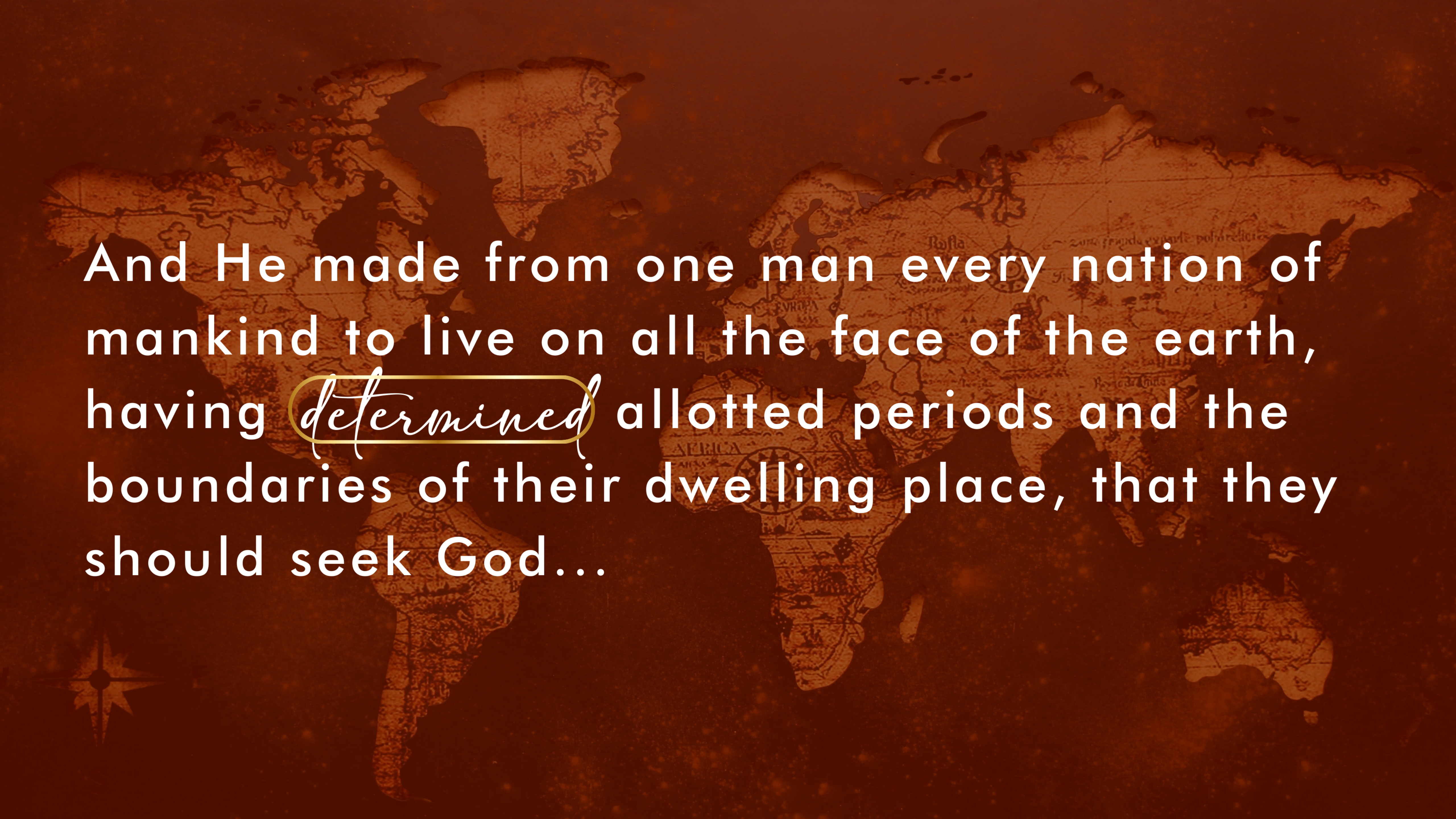
GOD

He owes you nothing...

...but He gives you

*everything*

SERVES



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**GOD**

**DETERMINES**



GOD

God's agenda is certain...

DETERMINES

...and He's *made space* for you.

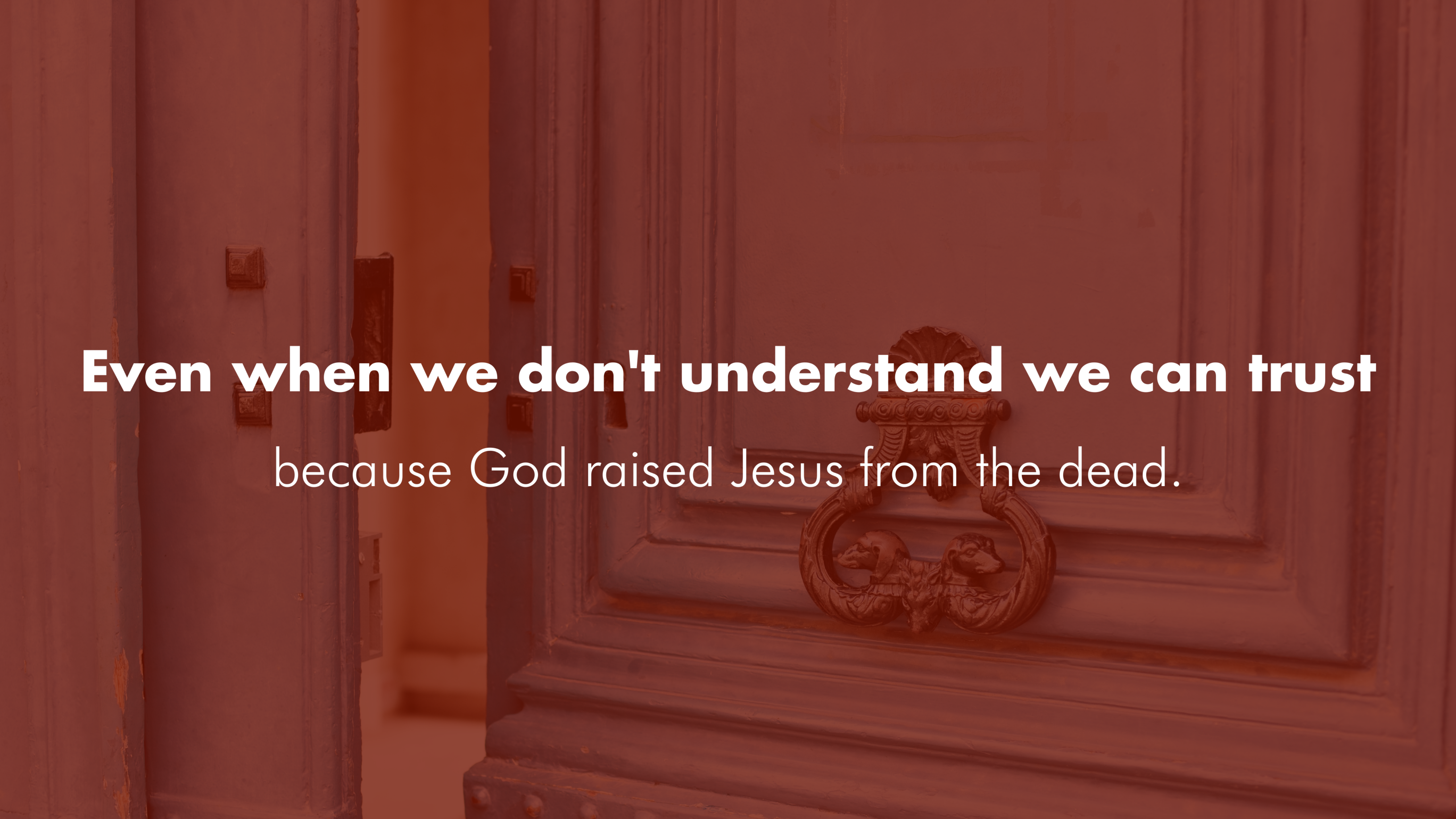


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**ACTS 17:30-31 (ESV)**

1 How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me? 2 How long must I take counsel in my soul and have sorrow in my heart all the day? How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?  
...5 But I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation. 6 I will sing to the LORD, because he has dealt bountifully with me.

**PSALM 13:1,2,5,6 (ESV)**



**Even when we don't understand we can trust**  
because God raised Jesus from the dead.

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