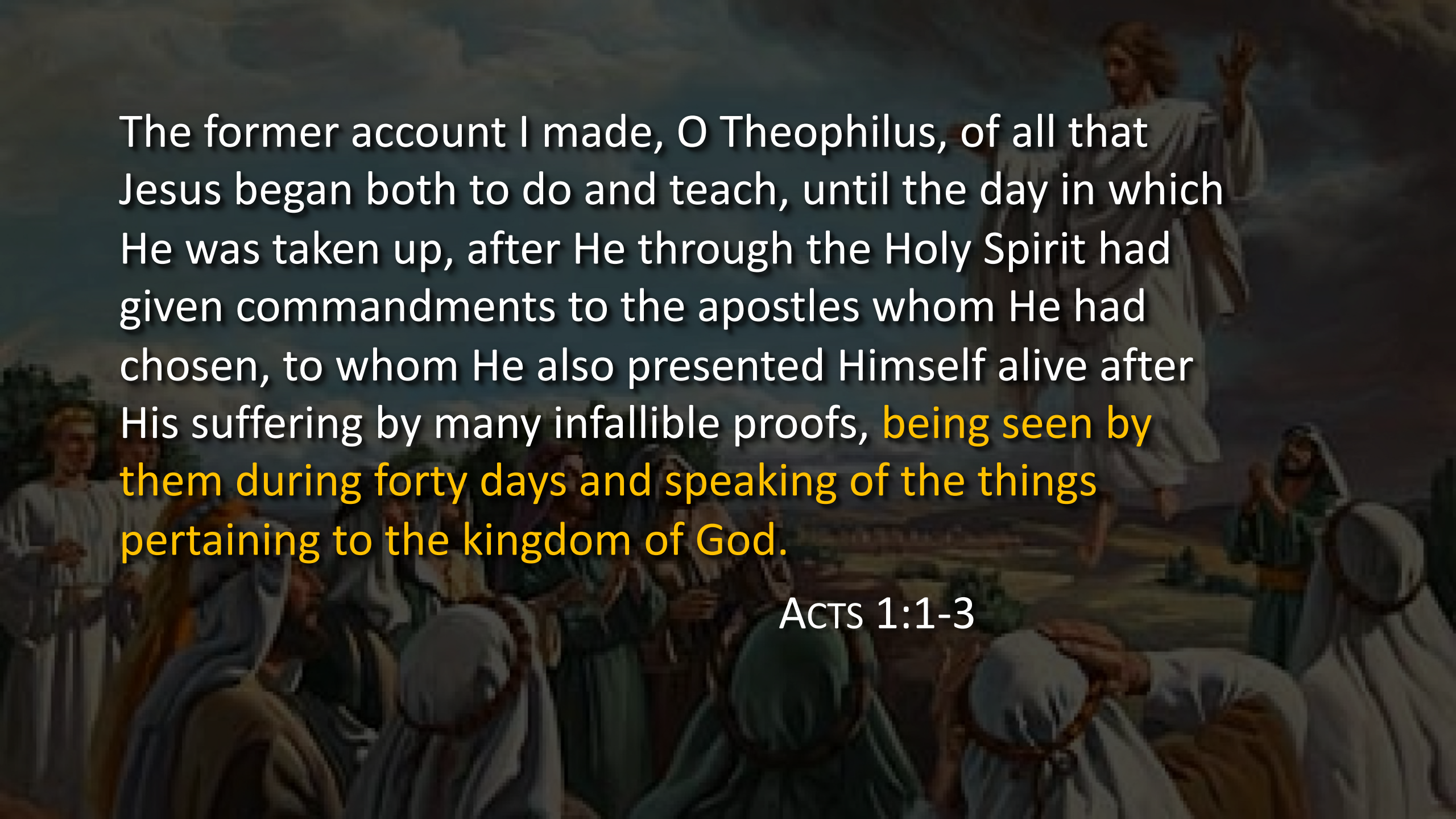




POWER FROM ON HIGH

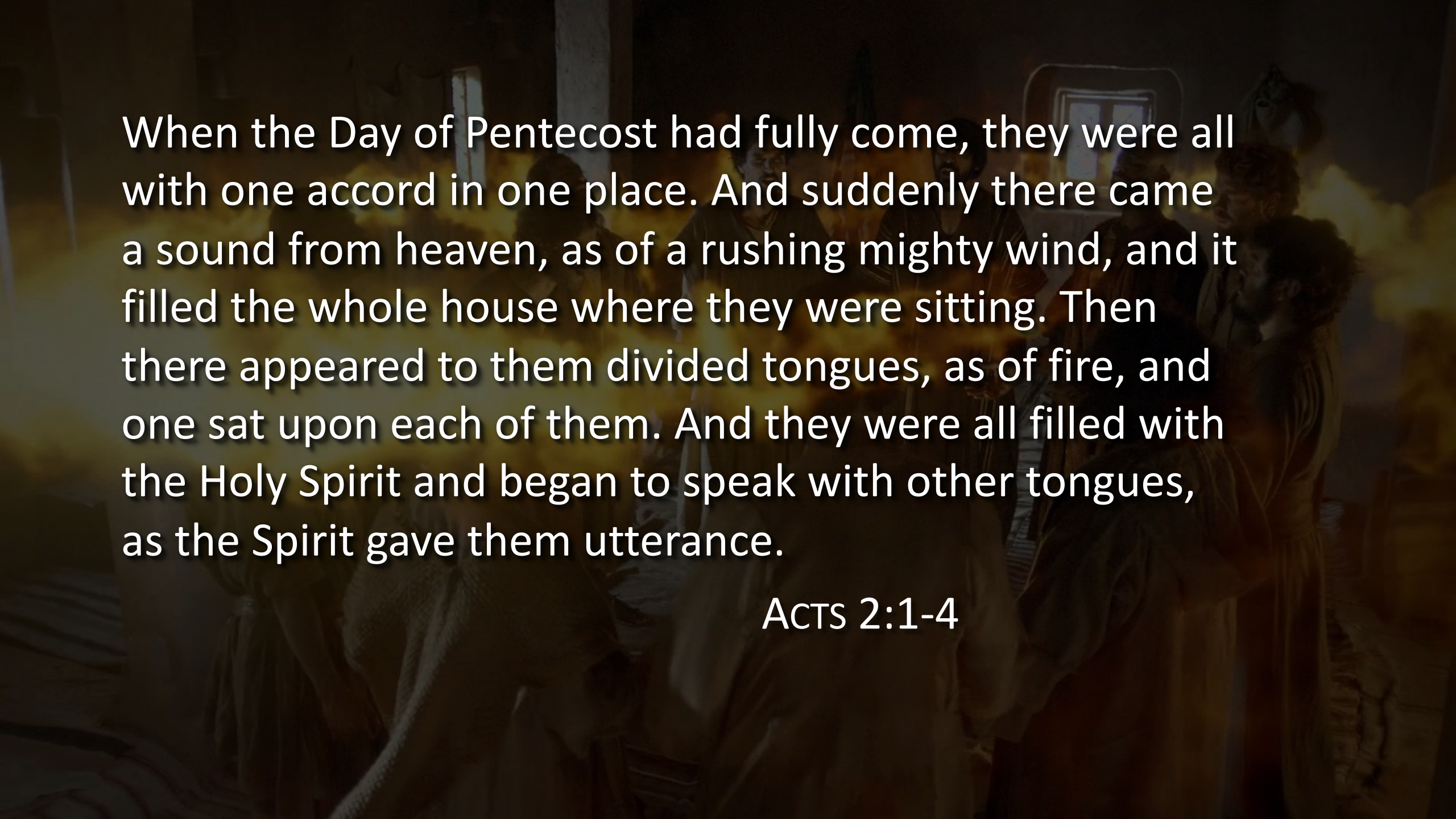


The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, until the day in which He was taken up, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom He had chosen, to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible proofs, **being seen by them during forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God.**

ACTS 1:1-3

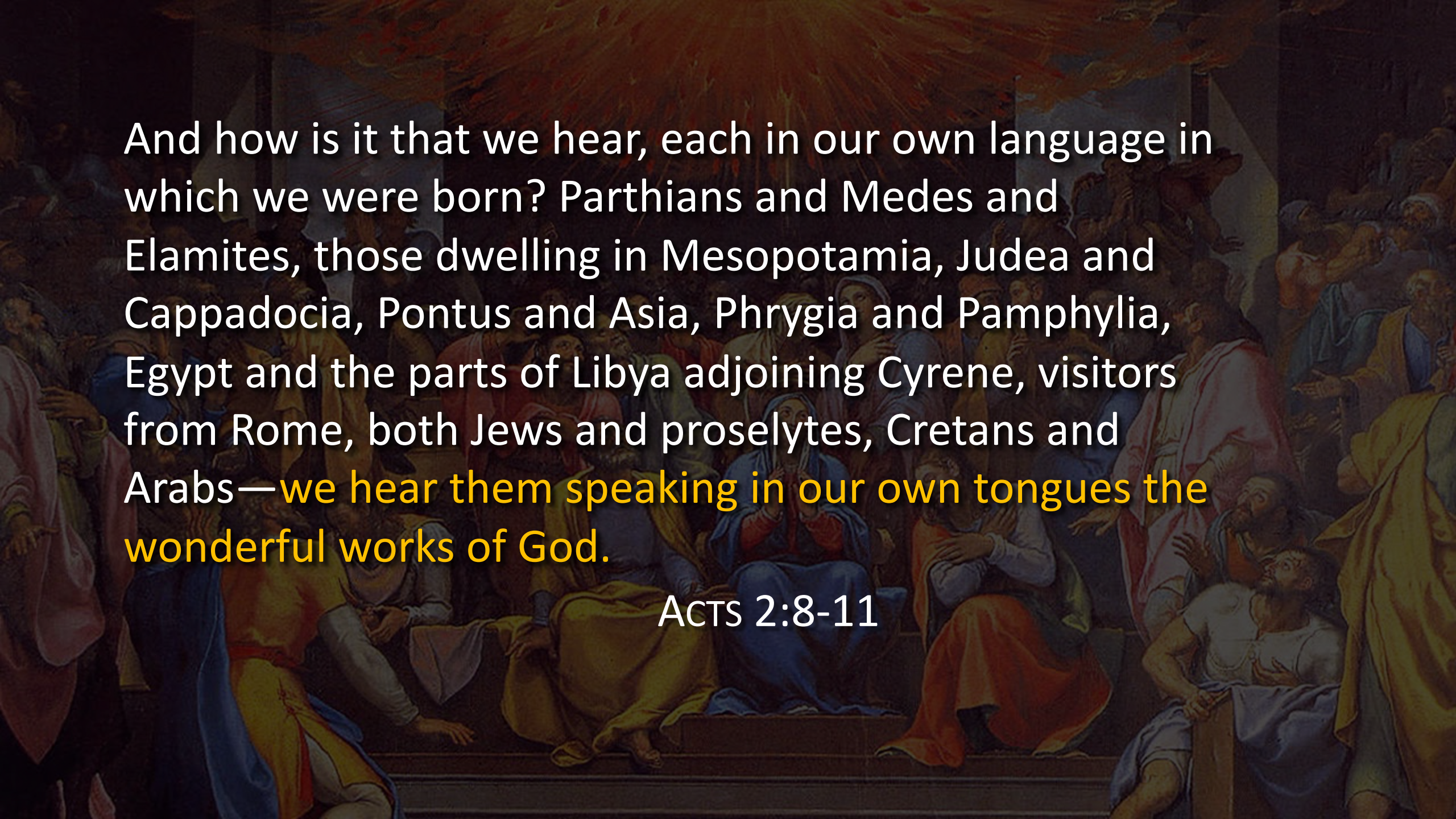
Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you but
tarry in the city of Jerusalem **until you are endued with
power from on high.**

LUKE 24:49



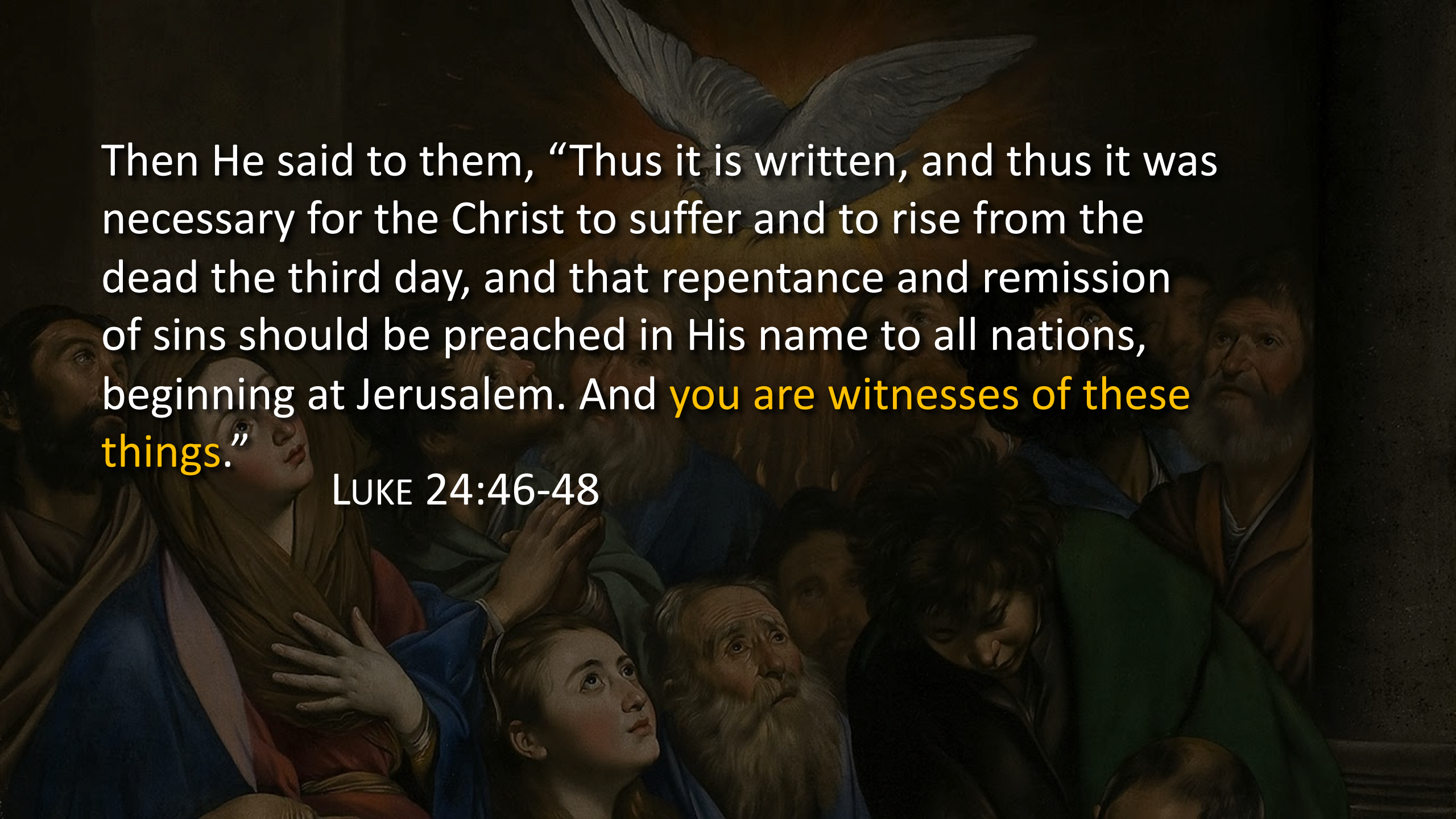
When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

ACTS 2:1-4



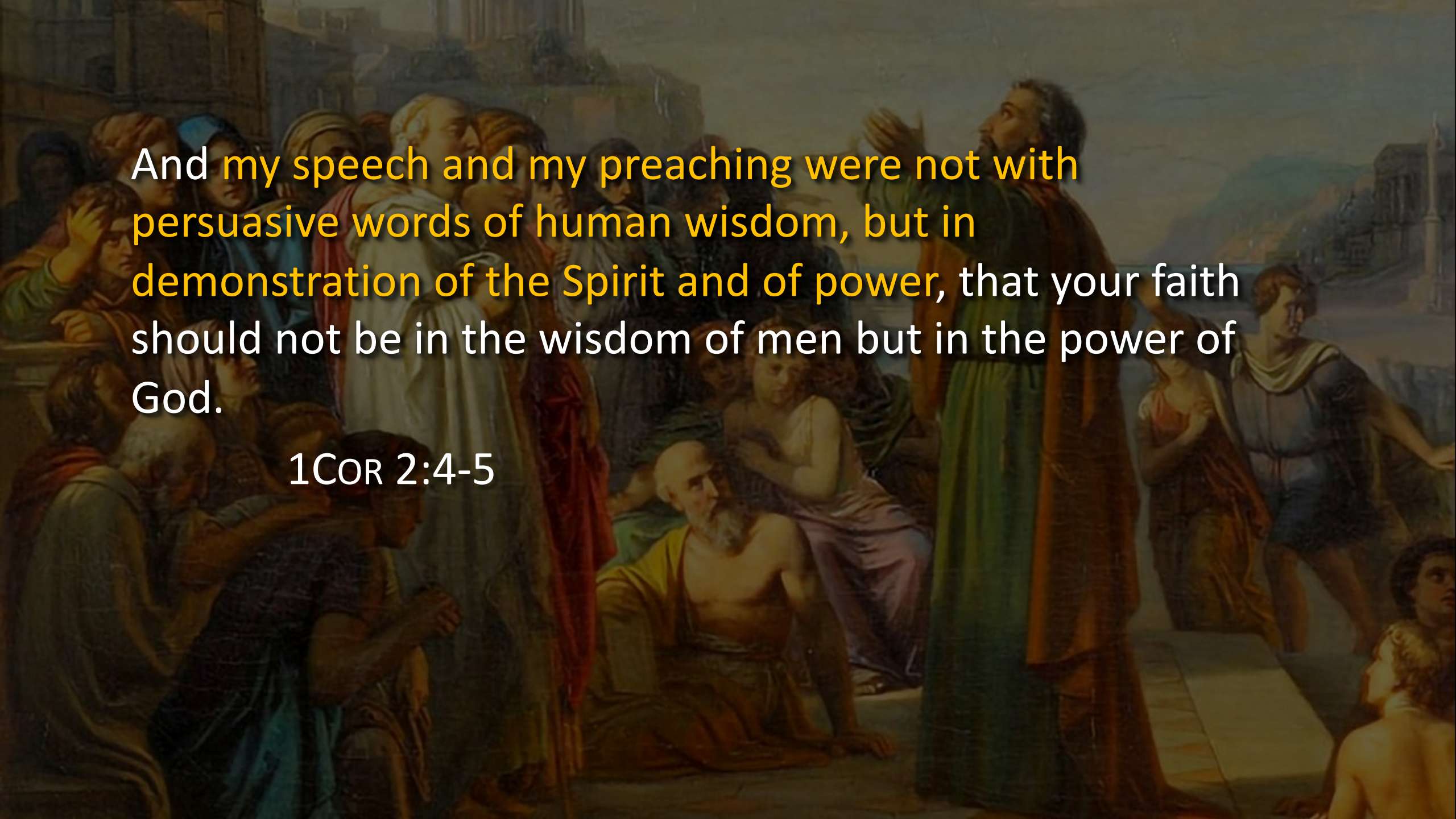
And how is it that we hear, each in our own language in which we were born? Parthians and Medes and Elamites, those dwelling in Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya adjoining Cyrene, visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—we hear them speaking in our own tongues the wonderful works of God.

ACTS 2:8-11



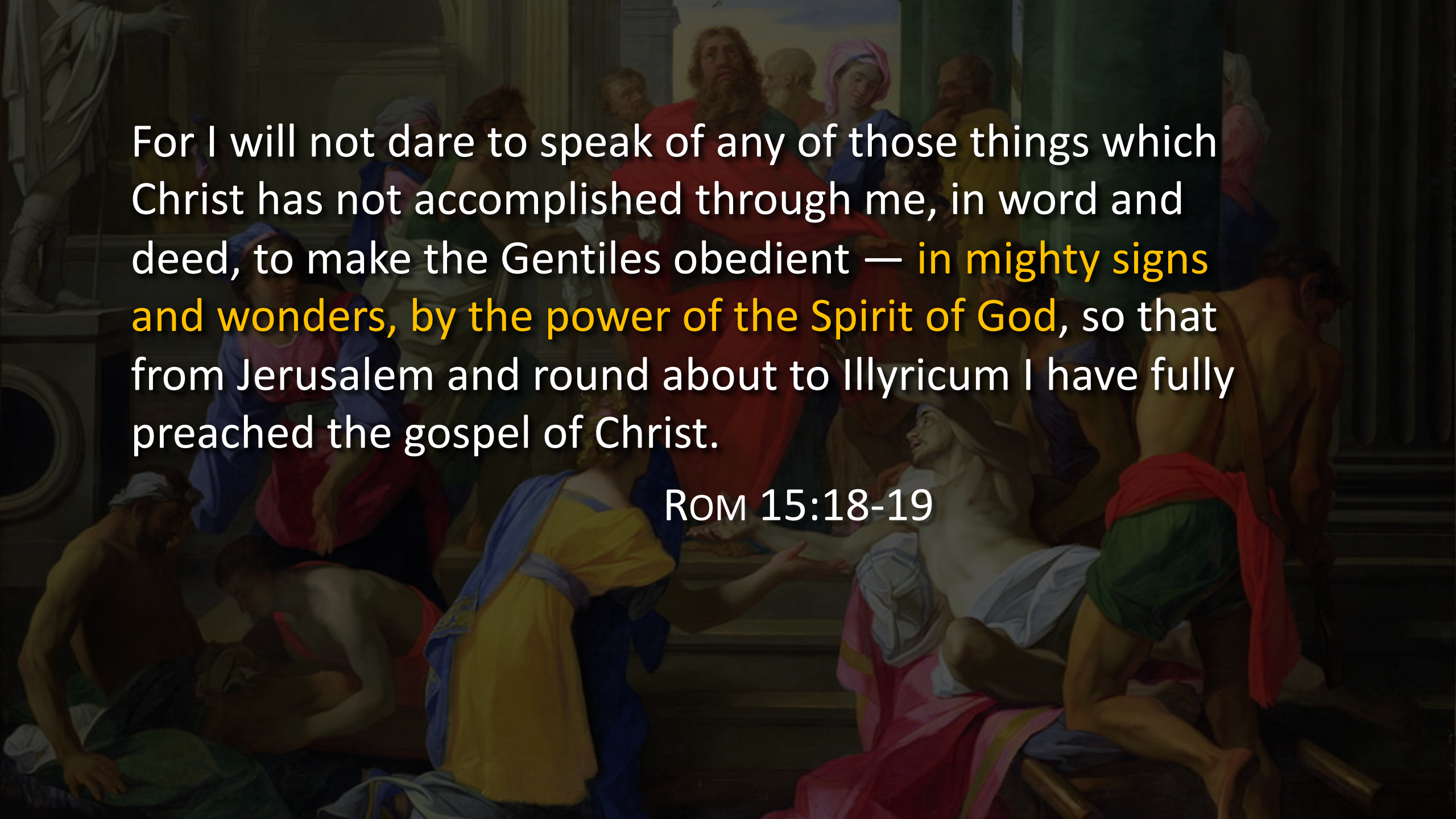
Then He said to them, “Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And **you are witnesses of these things.**”

LUKE 24:46-48

A classical painting depicting a man in a green and red robe preaching to a large, diverse crowd of people in an outdoor setting. The man is standing on the right, gesturing with his right hand raised. The crowd is composed of men, women, and children of various ages and ethnicities, some looking towards the speaker with interest and others with skepticism. The background shows a cityscape with buildings and a distant landscape under a cloudy sky.

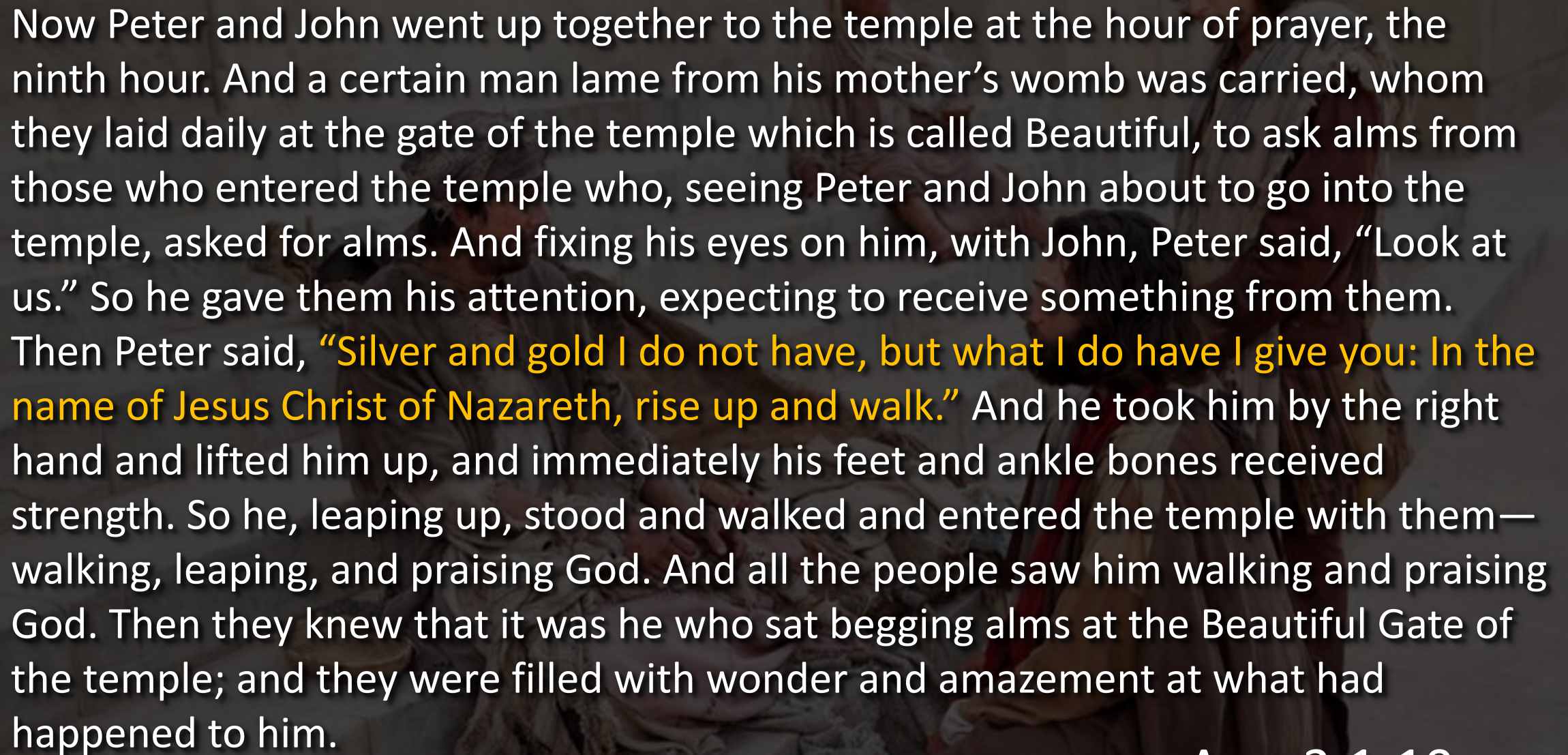
And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

1COR 2:4-5



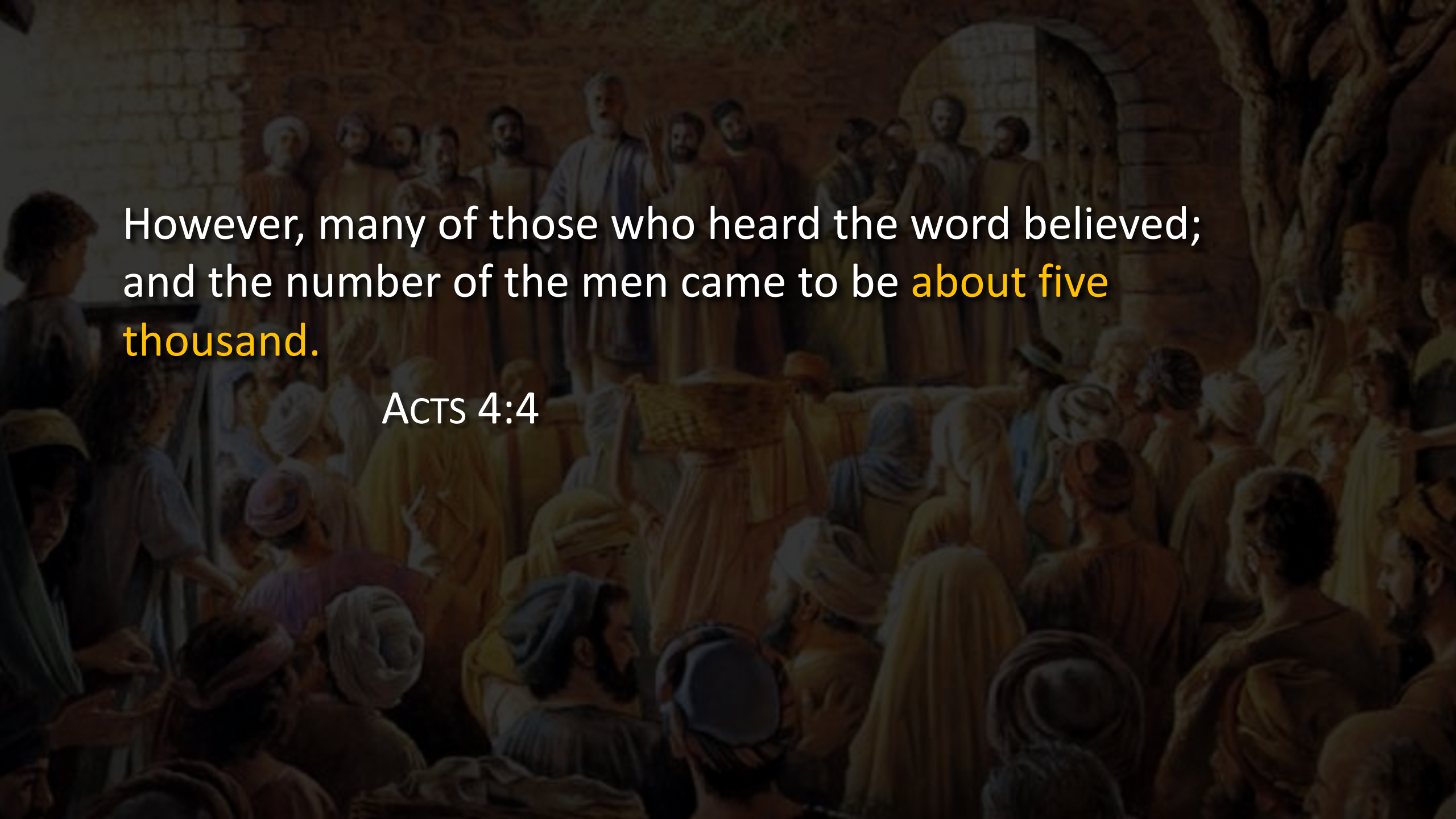
For I will not dare to speak of any of those things which Christ has not accomplished through me, in word and deed, to make the Gentiles obedient — **in mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God**, so that from Jerusalem and round about to Illyricum I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.

ROM 15:18-19

A background image showing a man in a white robe being helped up by two other men in a temple setting. The man being helped is sitting on the ground, and the two men are standing over him, one holding his hand. The scene is set in a stone-walled temple with a large doorway in the background.

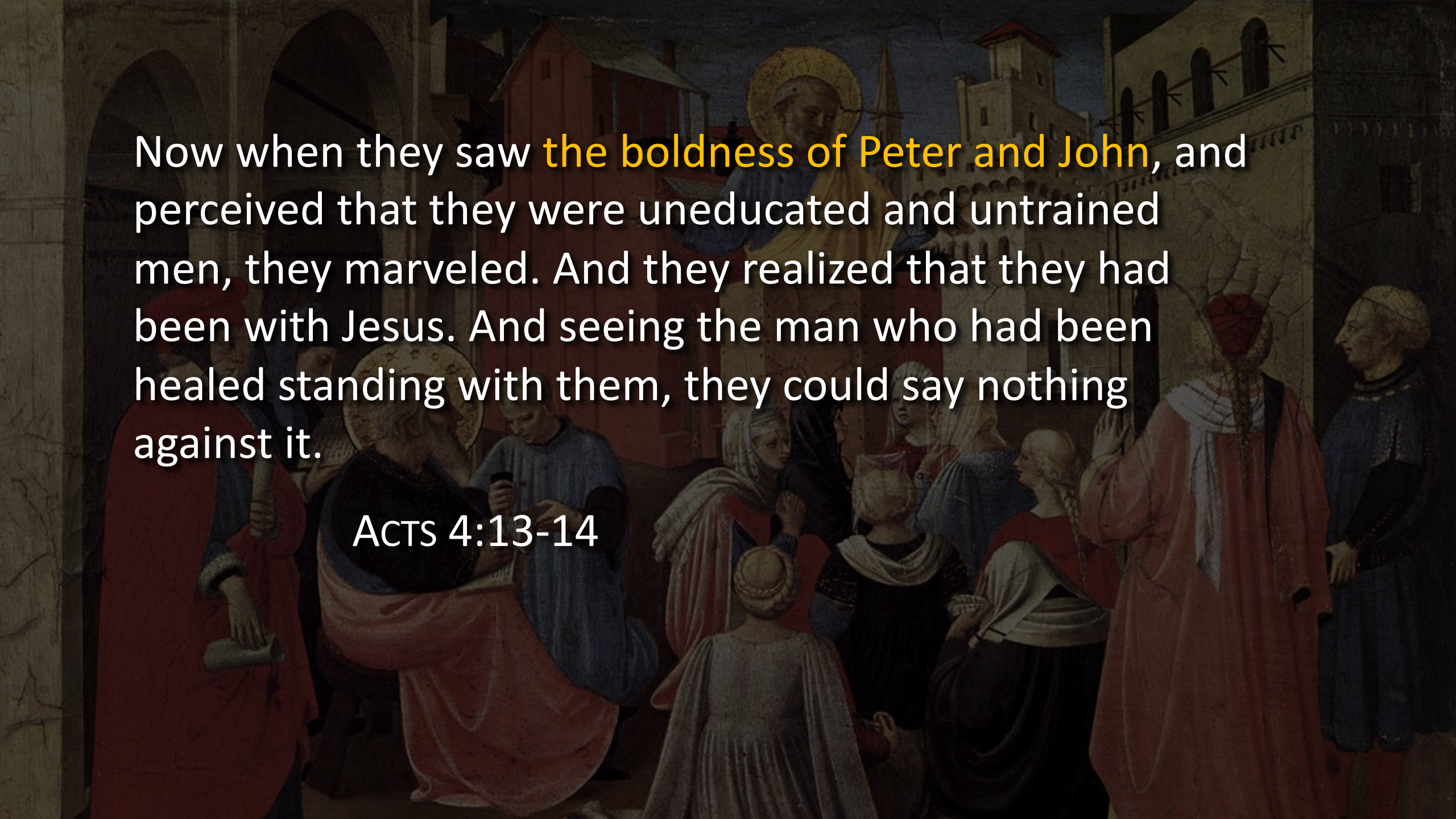
Now Peter and John went up together to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour. And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms from those who entered the temple who, seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, asked for alms. And fixing his eyes on him, with John, Peter said, "Look at us." So he gave them his attention, expecting to receive something from them. Then Peter said, "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk." And he took him by the right hand and lifted him up, and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength. So he, leaping up, stood and walked and entered the temple with them—walking, leaping, and praising God. And all the people saw him walking and praising God. Then they knew that it was he who sat begging alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

ACTS 3:1-10



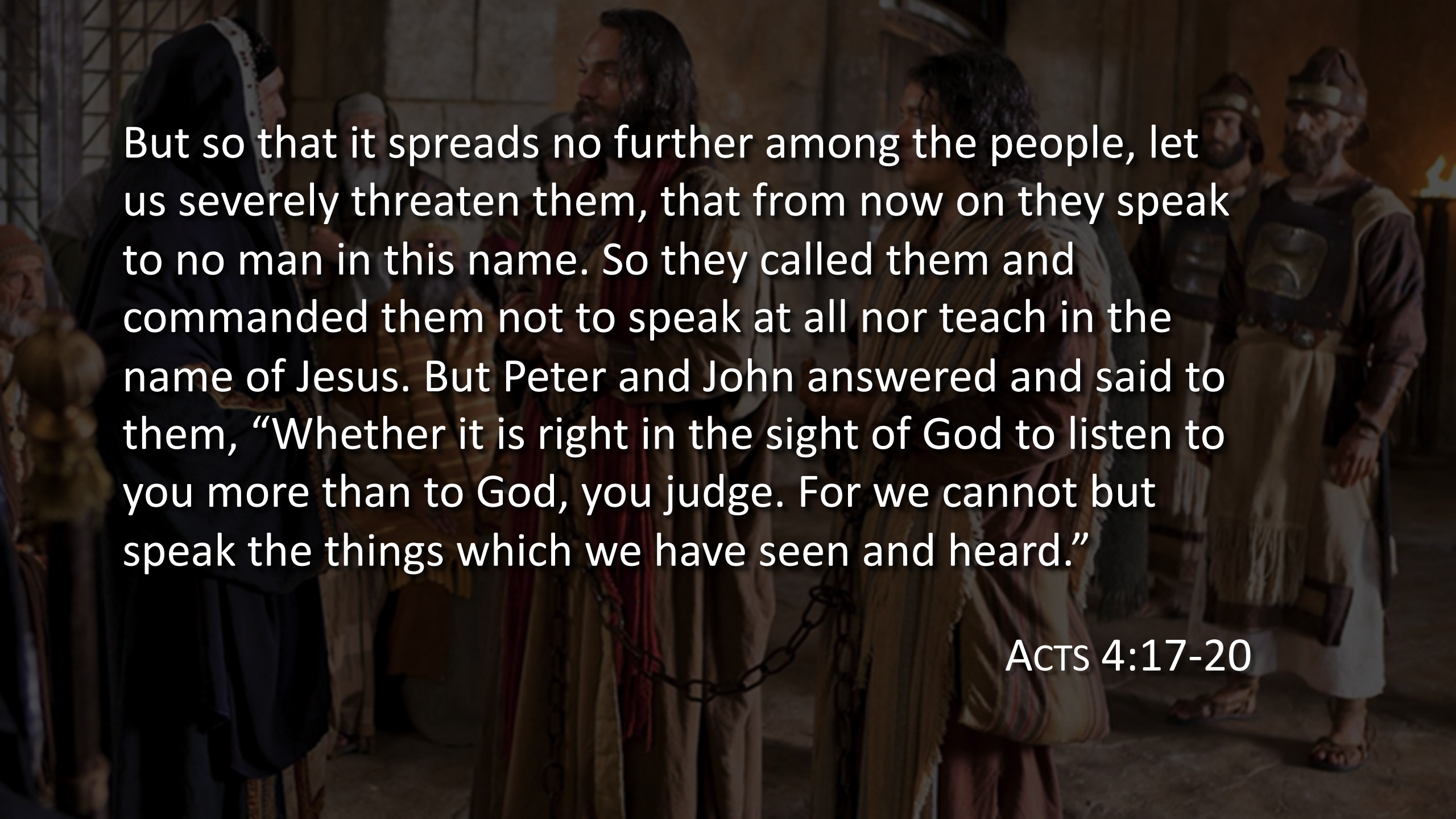
However, many of those who heard the word believed;
and the number of the men came to be **about five
thousand.**

ACTS 4:4



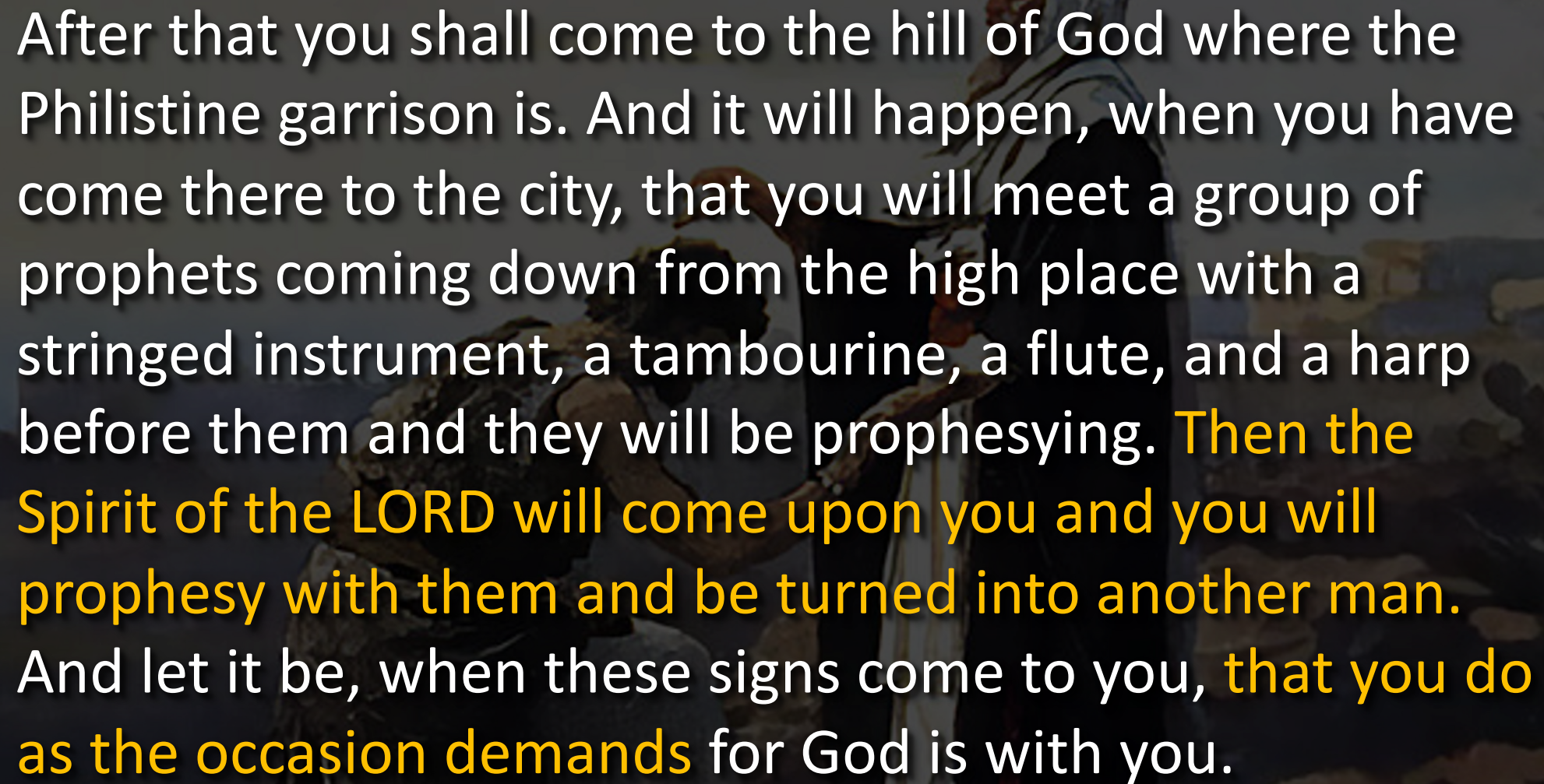
Now when they saw **the boldness of Peter and John**, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marveled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus. And seeing the man who had been healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it.

ACTS 4:13-14

A scene from a film depicting Peter and John in chains, surrounded by Roman soldiers and a crowd of people in a stone-walled setting. The text is overlaid on the scene.

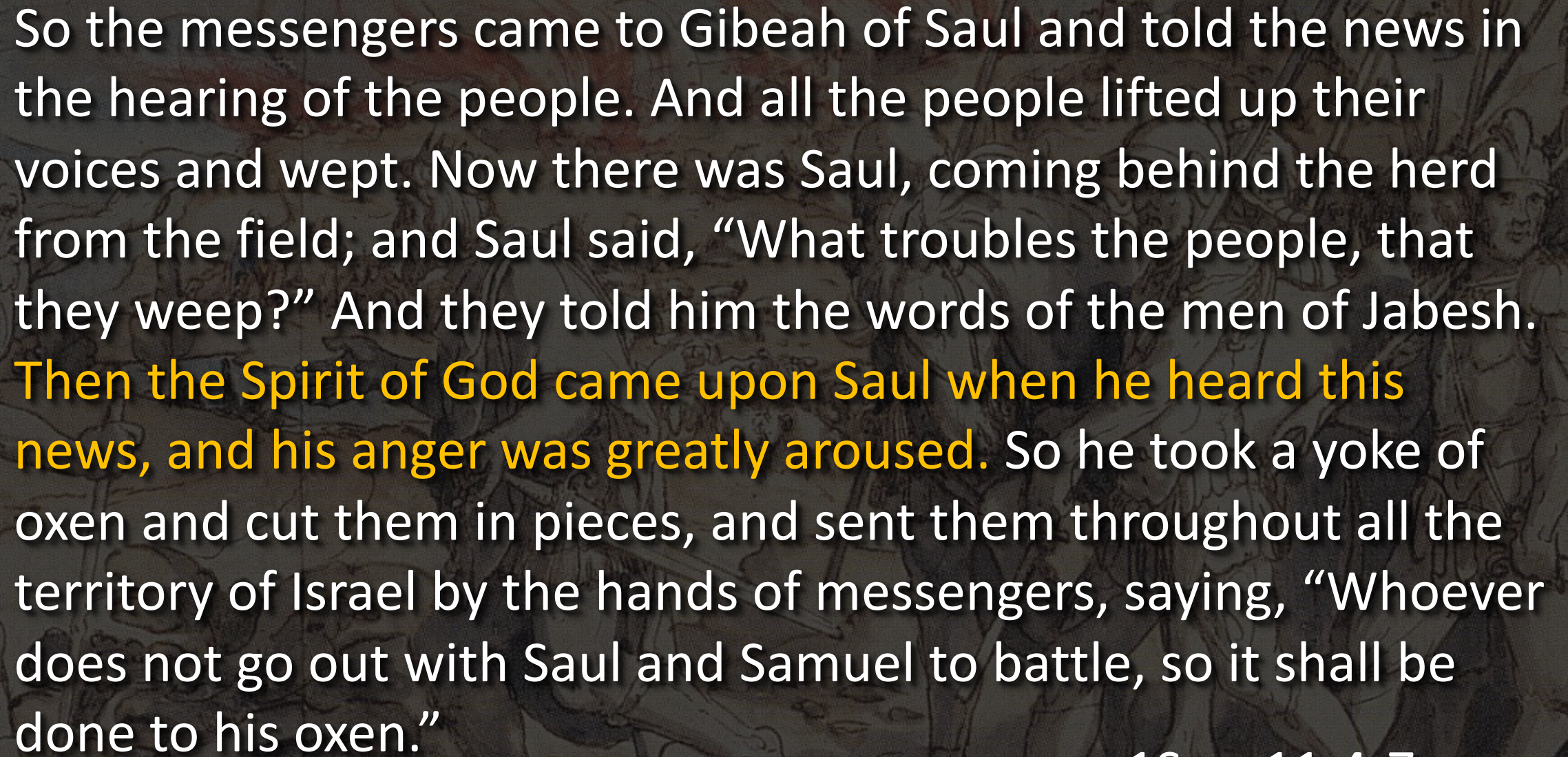
But so that it spreads no further among the people, let us severely threaten them, that from now on they speak to no man in this name. So they called them and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John answered and said to them, "Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you more than to God, you judge. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard."

ACTS 4:17-20



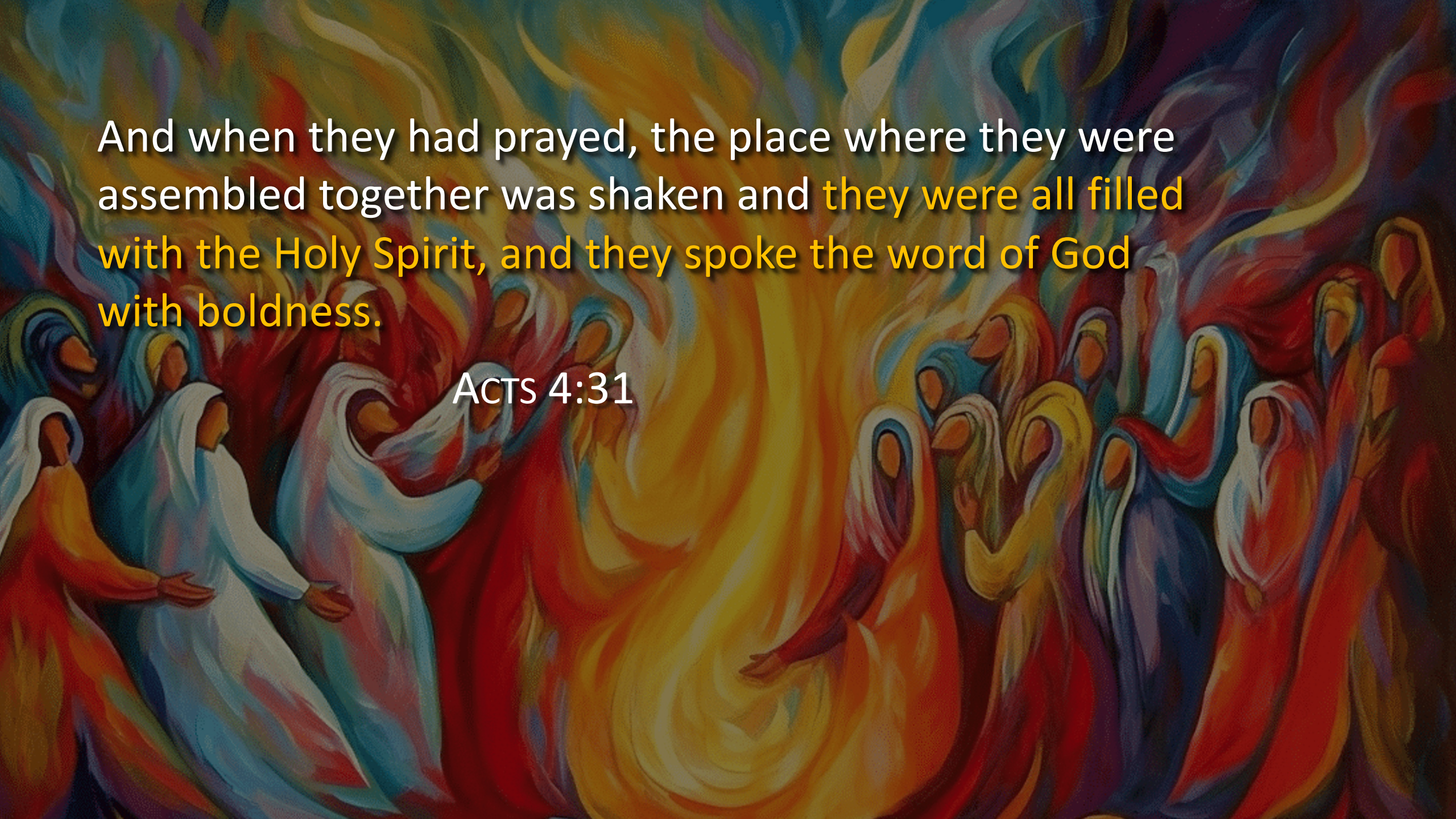
After that you shall come to the hill of God where the Philistine garrison is. And it will happen, when you have come there to the city, that you will meet a group of prophets coming down from the high place with a stringed instrument, a tambourine, a flute, and a harp before them and they will be prophesying. **Then the Spirit of the LORD will come upon you and you will prophesy with them and be turned into another man.** And let it be, when these signs come to you, **that you do as the occasion demands** for God is with you.

1SAM 10:5-8



So the messengers came to Gibeah of Saul and told the news in the hearing of the people. And all the people lifted up their voices and wept. Now there was Saul, coming behind the herd from the field; and Saul said, "What troubles the people, that they weep?" And they told him the words of the men of Jabesh. **Then the Spirit of God came upon Saul when he heard this news, and his anger was greatly aroused.** So he took a yoke of oxen and cut them in pieces, and sent them throughout all the territory of Israel by the hands of messengers, saying, "Whoever does not go out with Saul and Samuel to battle, so it shall be done to his oxen."

1SAM 11:4-7

A vibrant, abstract painting depicting a group of people in prayer. The figures are rendered in flowing, colorful robes of blue, red, yellow, and white, set against a background of swirling, ethereal light. The overall mood is one of spiritual intensity and divine presence.

And when they had prayed, the place where they were assembled together was shaken and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness.

ACTS 4:31