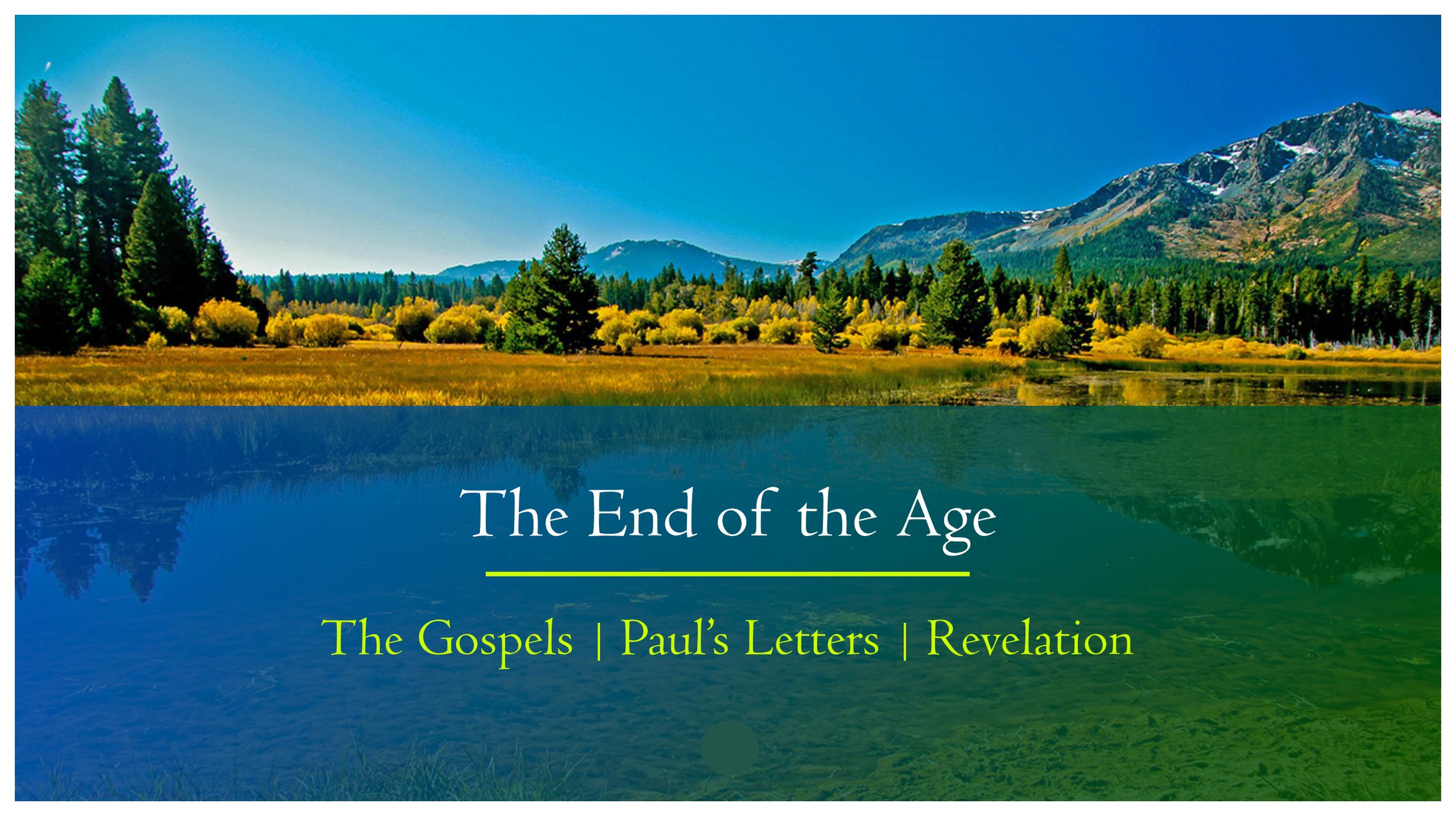




THE END OF THE AGE

The Last Days & The New Testament



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I Corinthians 15



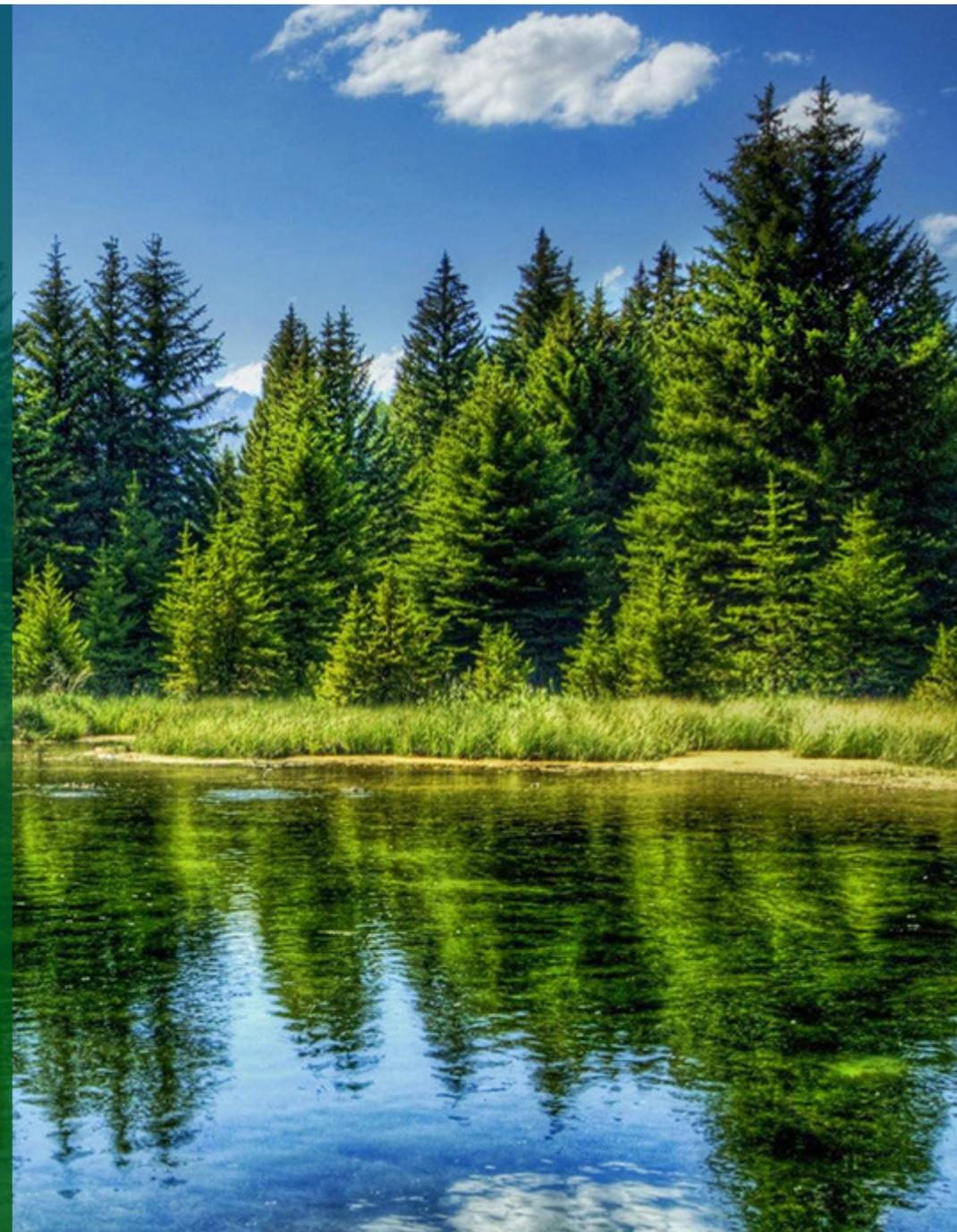
The Order of the End

- 1) **First**, Christ's Resurrection.
- 2) **Next** (**later**), at 'His coming,' those who belong to Christ' resurrected.
- 3) **Then** (**at the end**), Christ's reign, which involves:
 - Destroying every rule and every authority and power.
 - All His enemies under foot.
- 4) **Finally**, Kingdom delivered to God



Resurrection / Translation

- Dead “raised” / Alive “put on”
- “In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye” (v.52a).
- “at the last trumpet” (v.52b).
- “Dead raised imperishable” and “we (those alive) shall be changed” (v.52c).

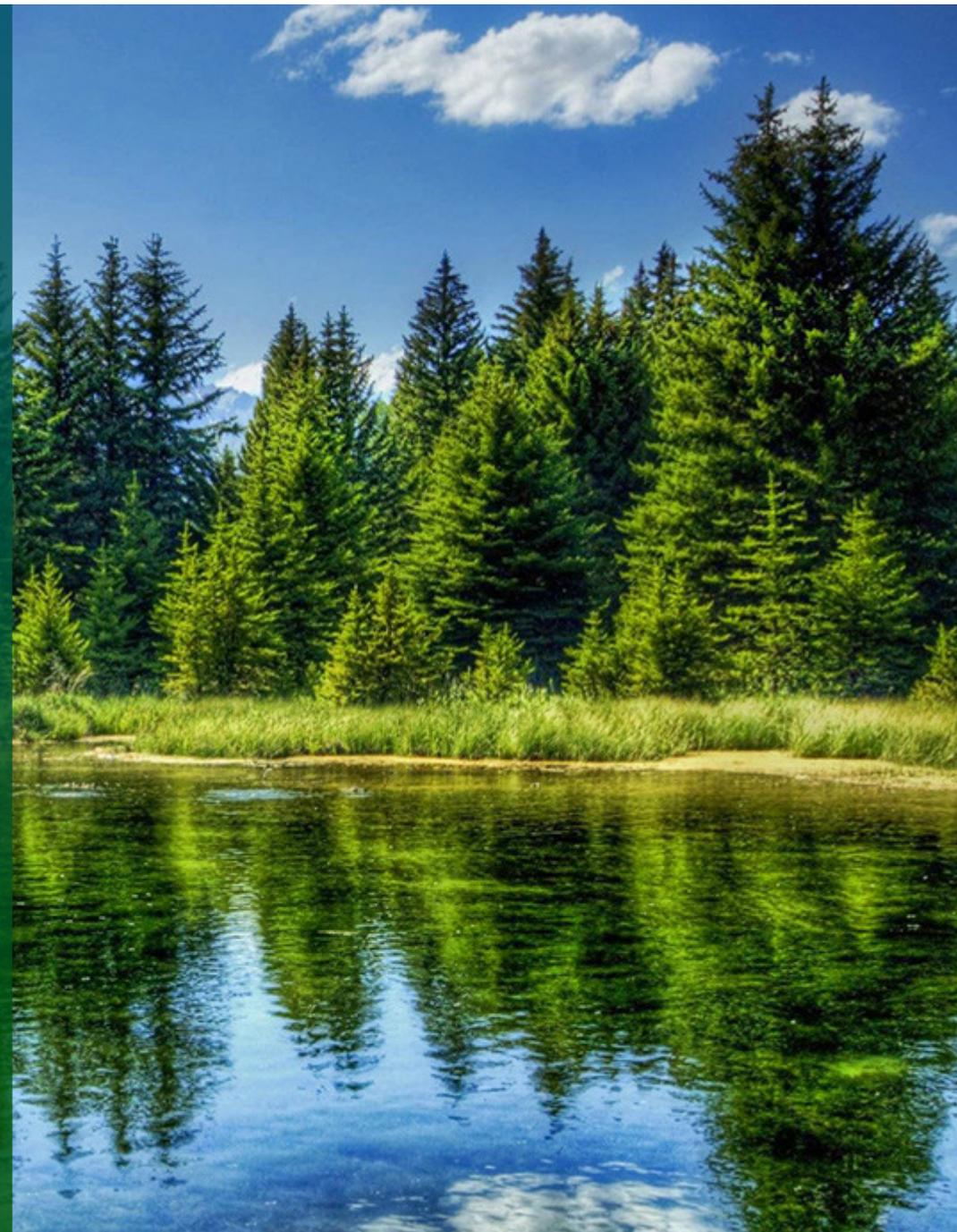


I Thessalonians 4 & 5



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- Christ's return begins (4:16):
 - “Descend” from heaven.
- Resurrection (4:16-17):
 - “Dead” first, then “those alive.”
- Christ's “descent” concurrent with:
 - “The Day of the Lord” (5:2)



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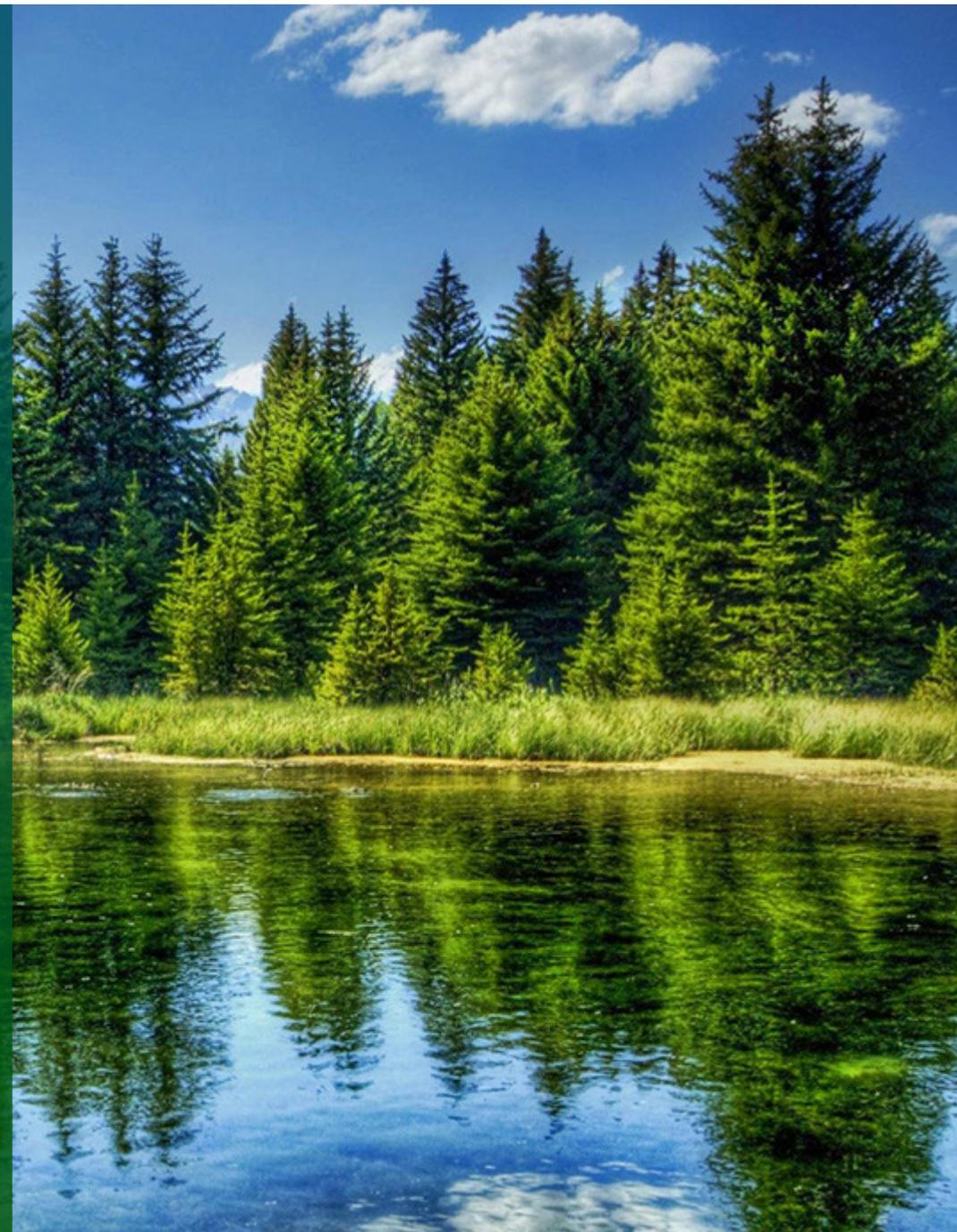


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The Day of the Lord/70th Week begins:

- 4) Jacob's Distress / God's Wrath
- 5) Christ's Coming to Rule
- 6) The Kingdom: Christ's Reign



The Return of Christ



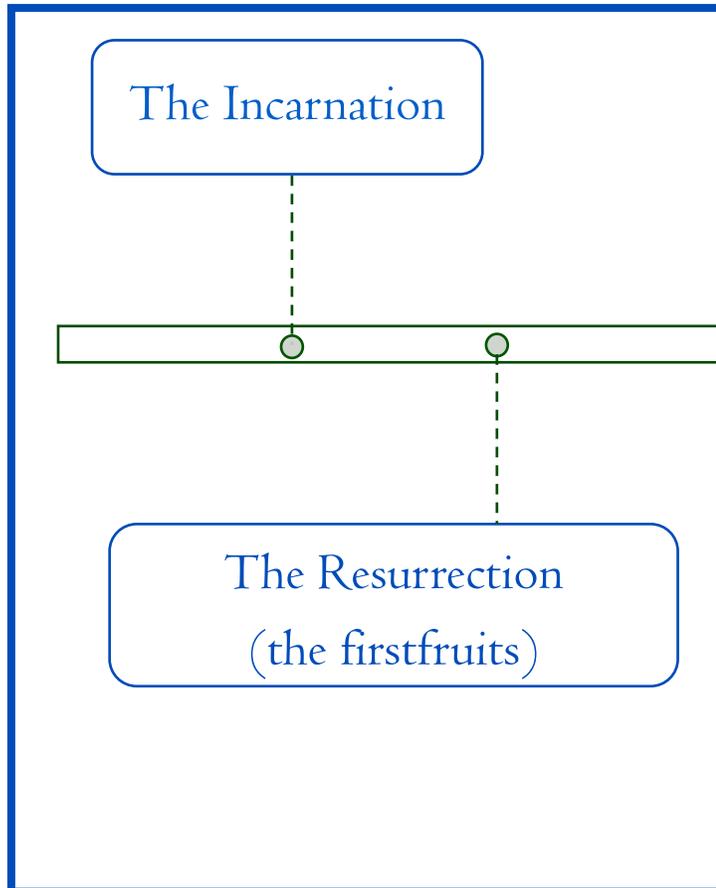


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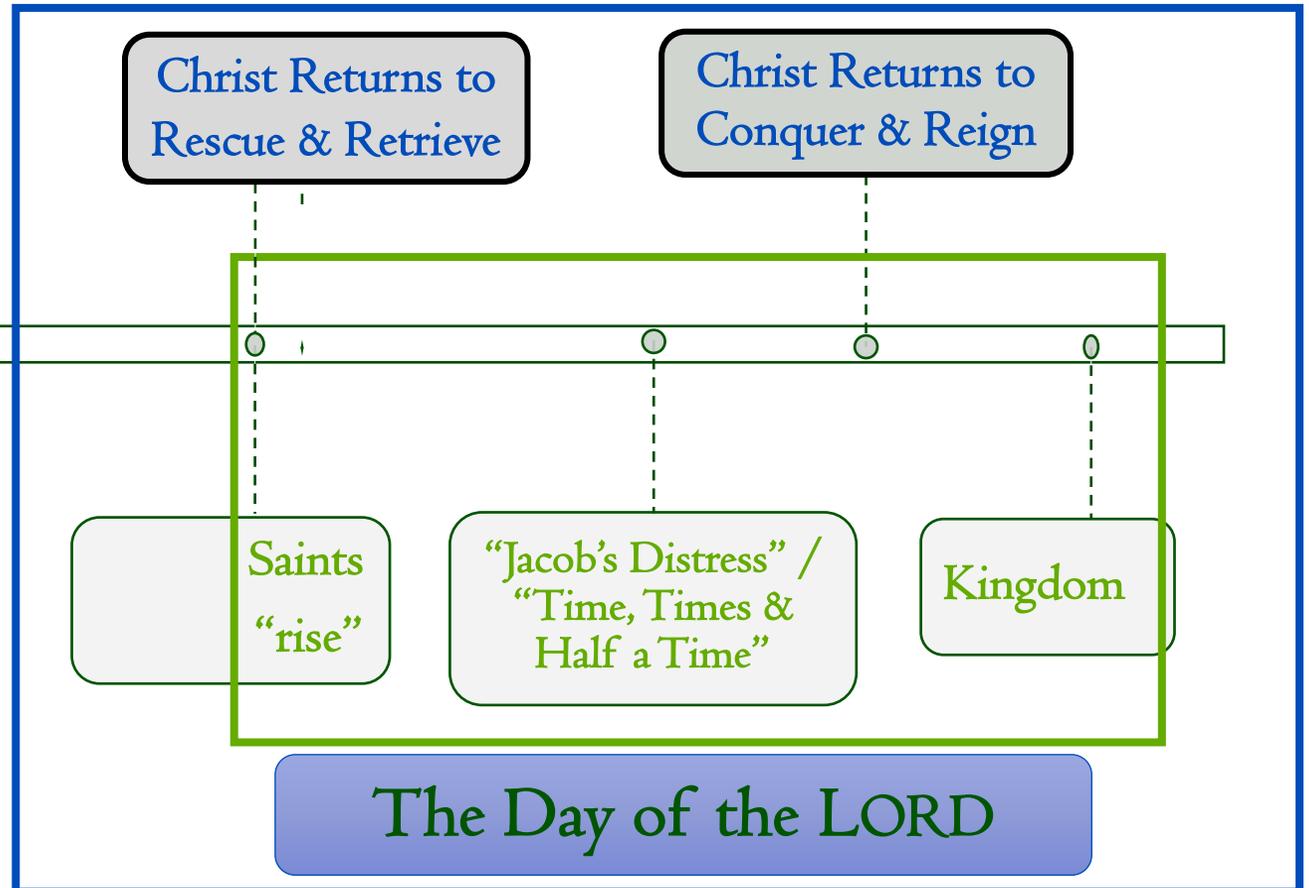
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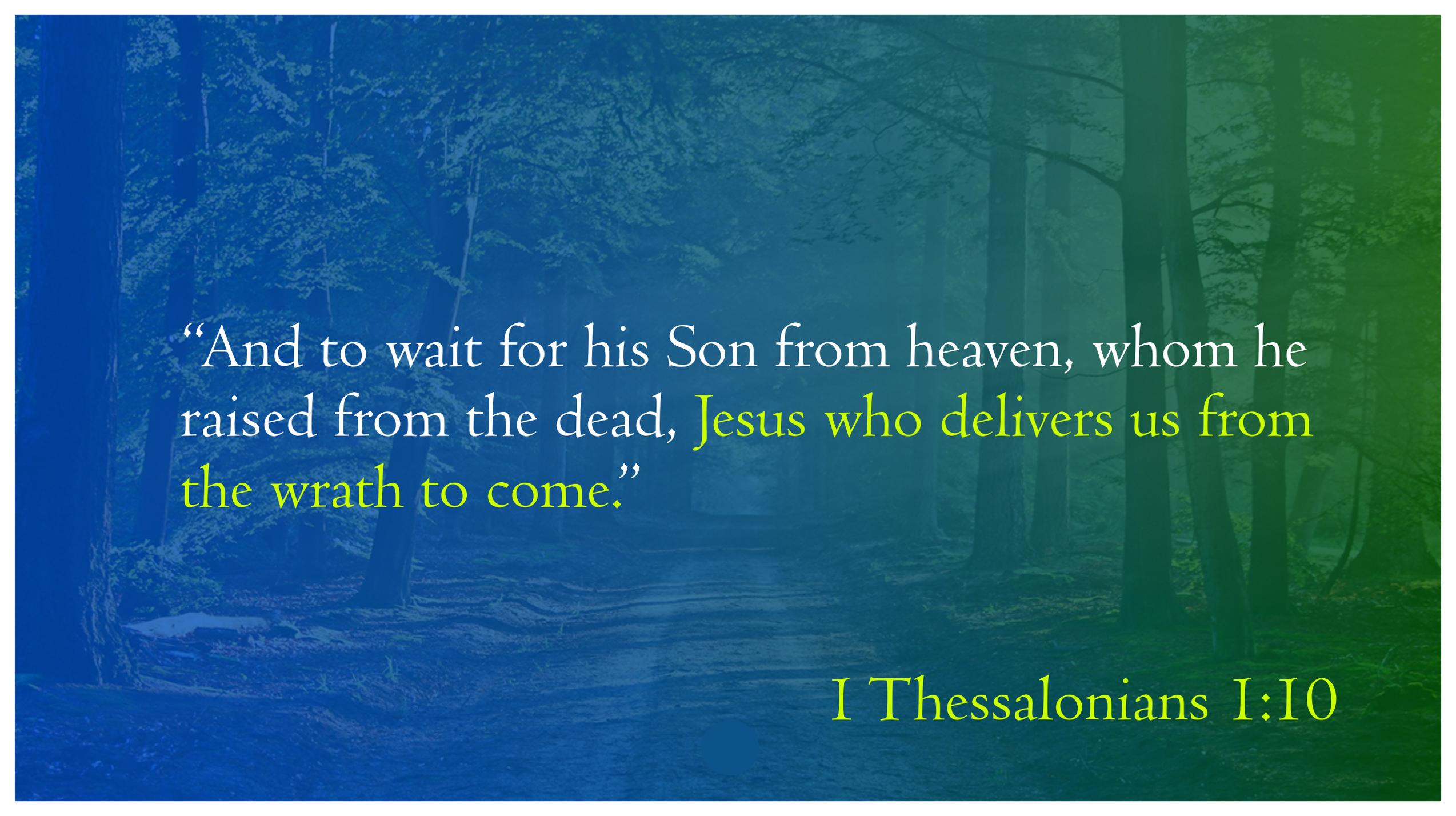
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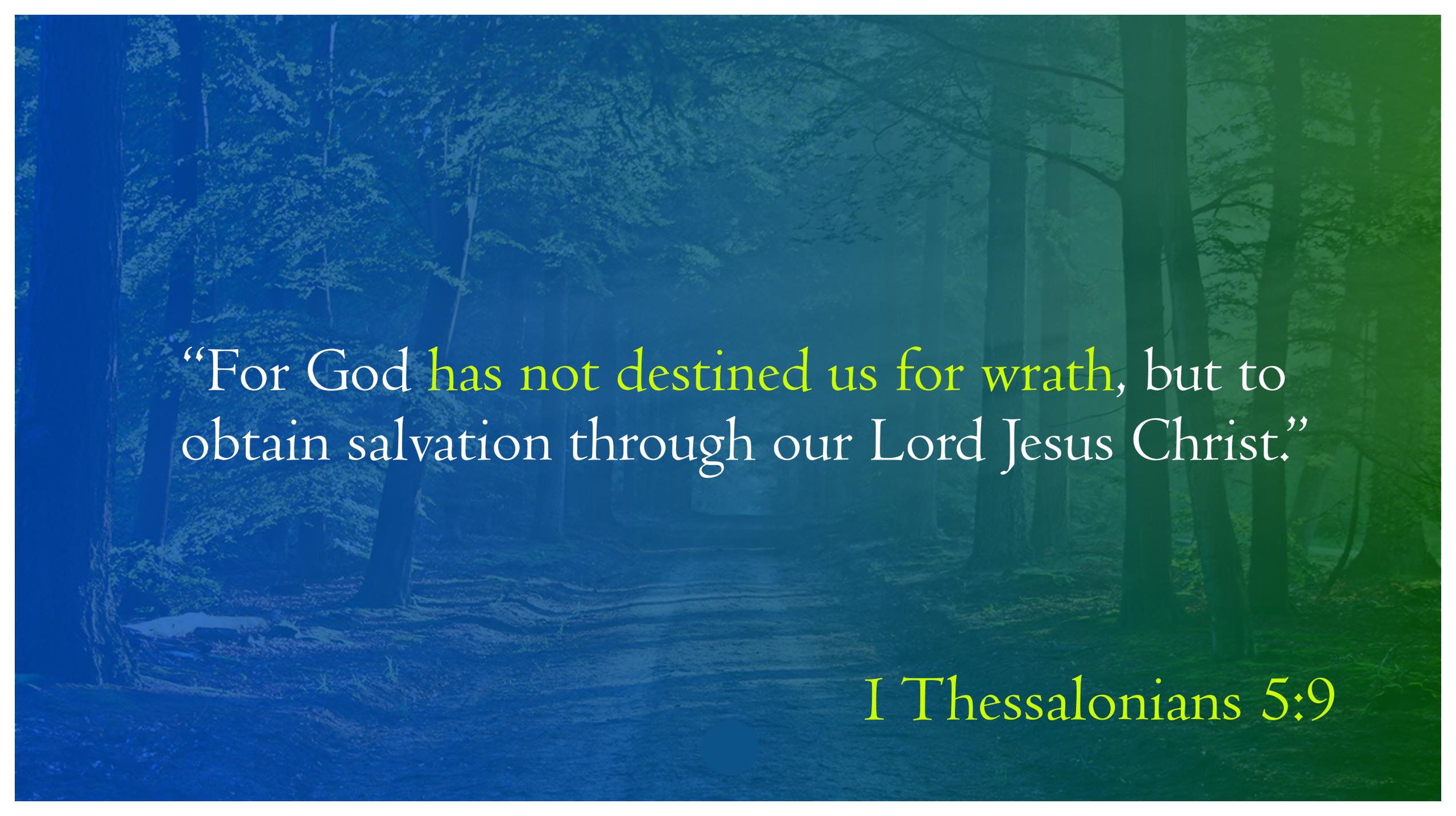
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“And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, **Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.**”

I Thessalonians 1:10

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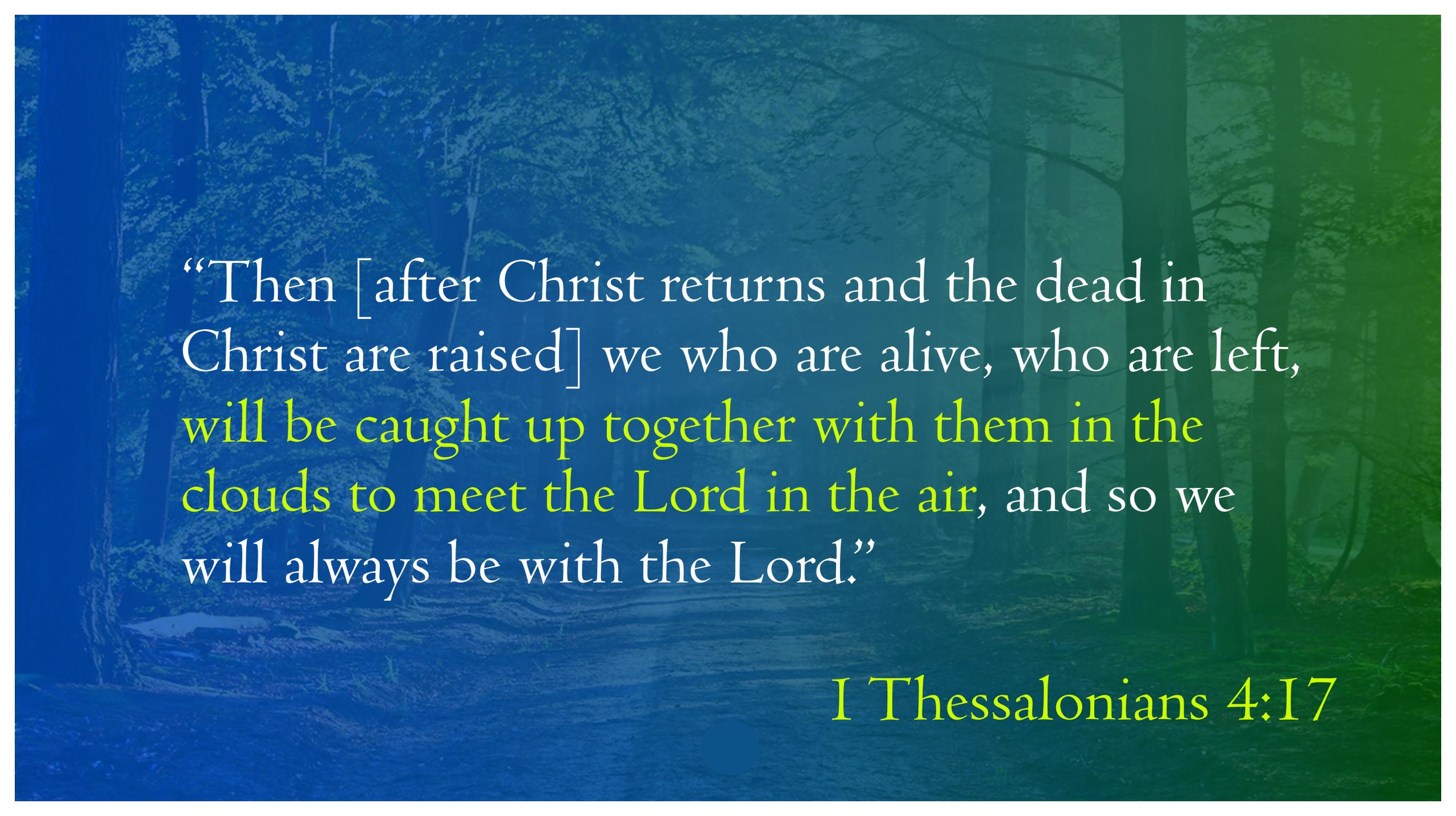
“For God **has not destined us for wrath**, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

I Thessalonians 5:9



Christ's Return. Christ's Rescue.

“Caught up together” to meet the Lord.



“Then [after Christ returns and the dead in Christ are raised] we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord.”

I Thessalonians 4:17

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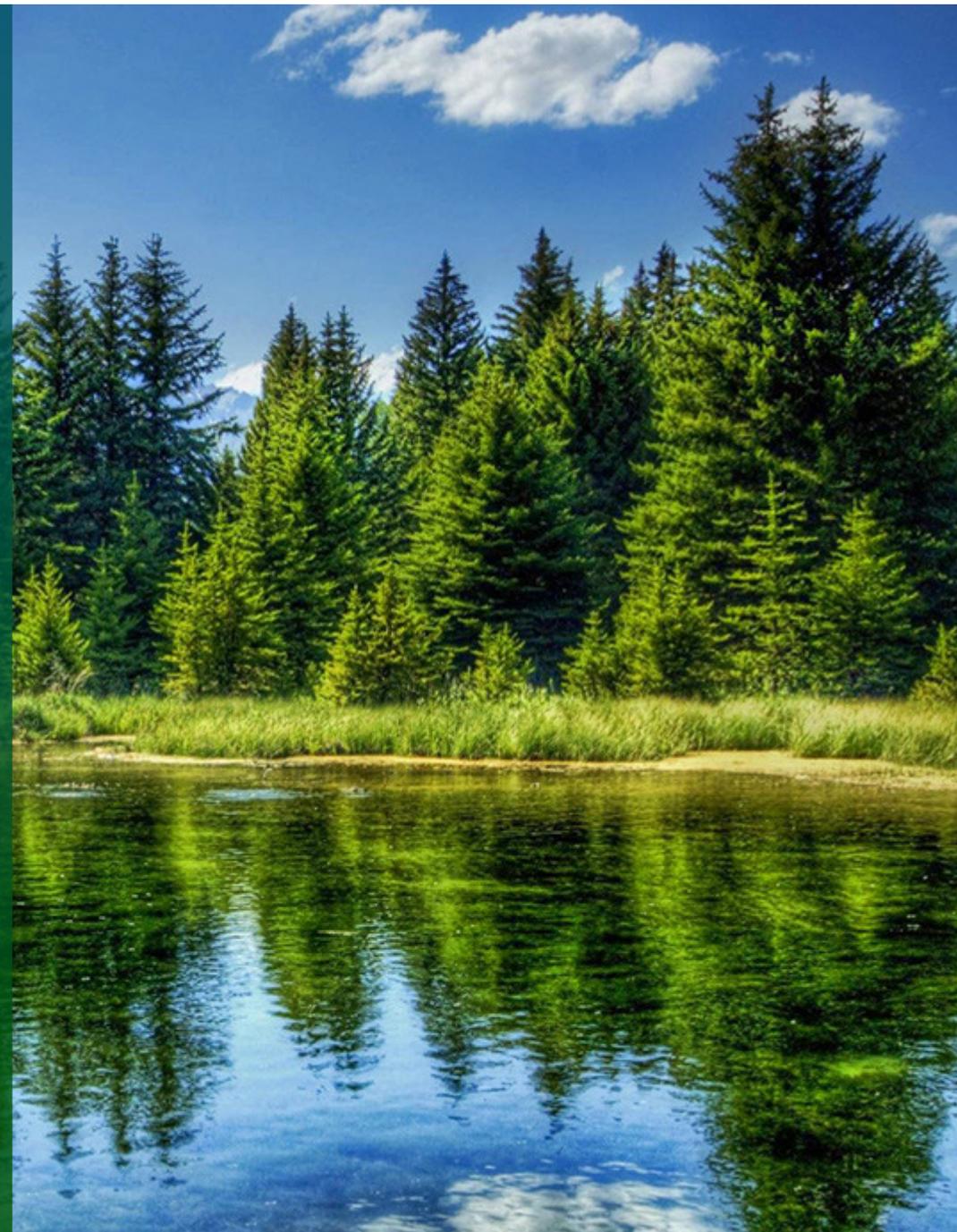
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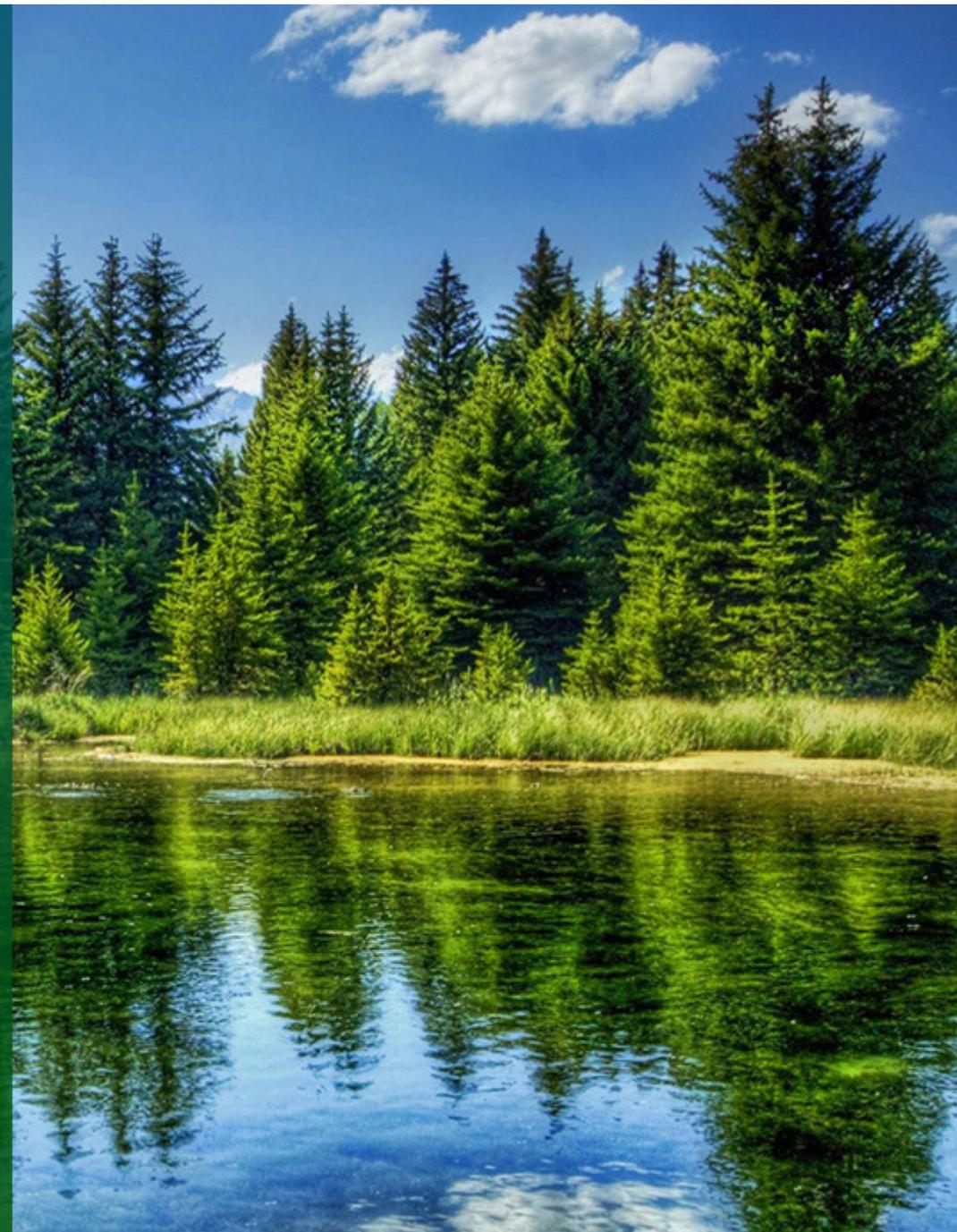
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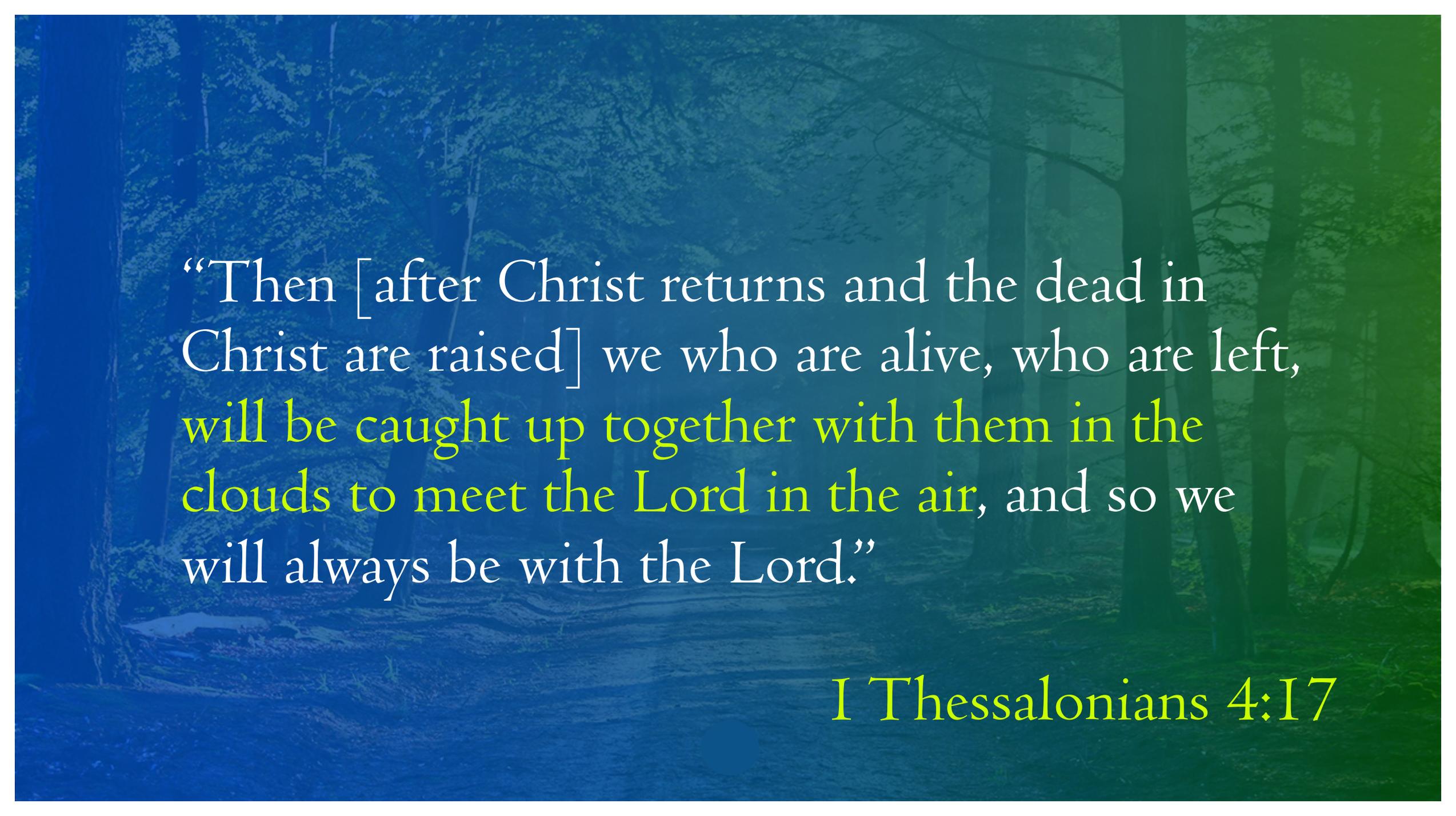
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2 Thessalonians 2



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- The “coming of our Lord,” and “gathering together” to him (2:1).
- “That day” has not come. Why? No *rebellion* or *revealing* (2:3).
- The Man of Lawlessness / The Son of Destruction (2:4).
 - Revealed / Destroyed (2:8).
 - With false signs, wonders & wicked deception (2:10).



Who is this “Man?”

- Daniel 9:24-27
- Matthew 24:15-16
- 2 Thessalonians 2:3-10
- Revelation 13 (c.f. Daniel 7)



The Abomination of Desolation / The Man of Lawlessness / The Beast

The Antichrist

The Book of Daniel

“The One Who Makes Desolate”

The Olivet Discourse

“The Abomination of Desolation”

2 Thessalonians

“The Man of Lawlessness”

Named
Following
Persecution
False Signs
Destruction

• Daniel 9:27

• Daniel 9:26b

• Daniel 9:27a

• Daniel 9:27b

• Matthew 24:15

• Matthew 24:21

• Matthew 24:24

• 2 Thess 2:3

• 2 Thess 2:11

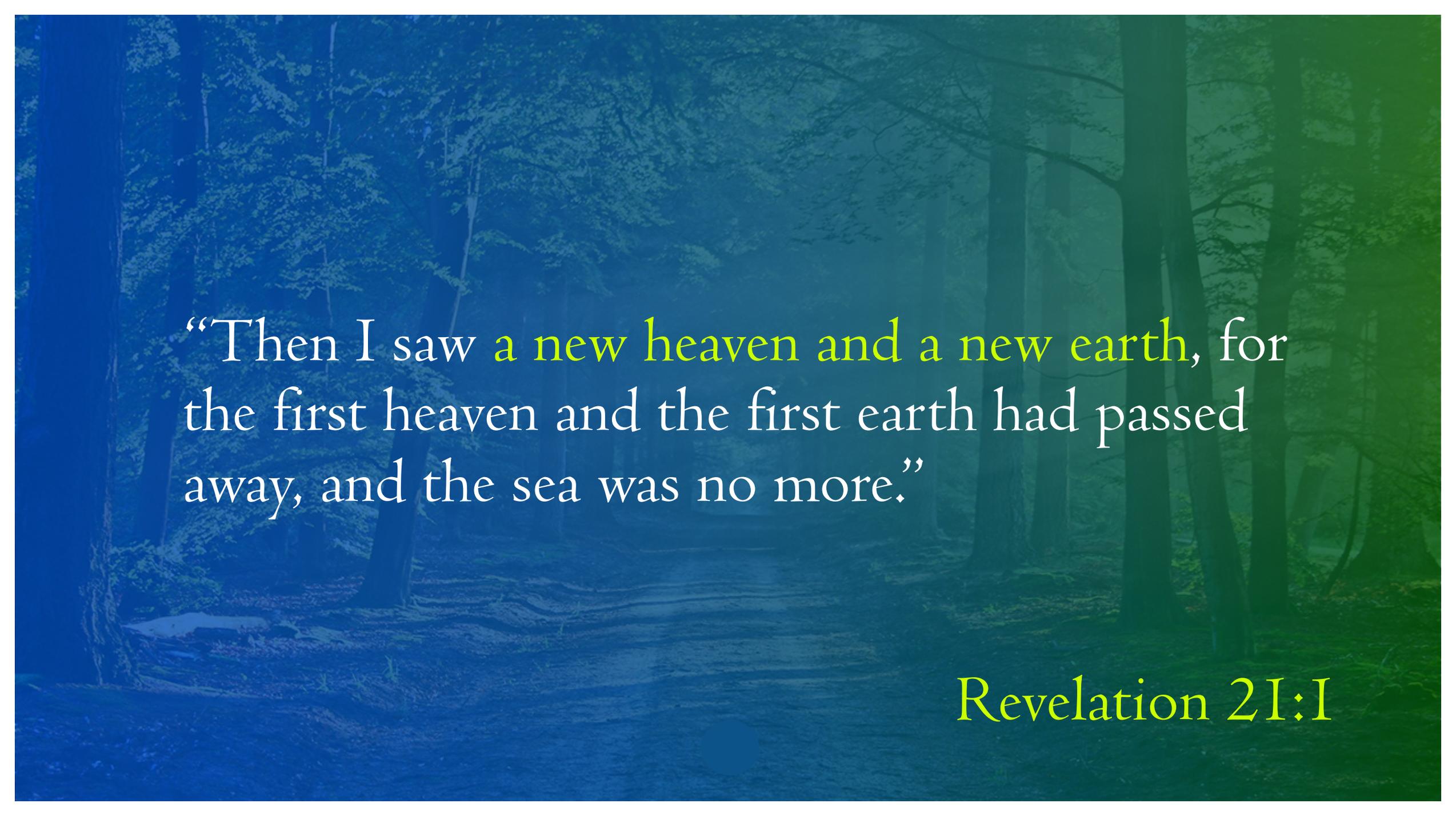
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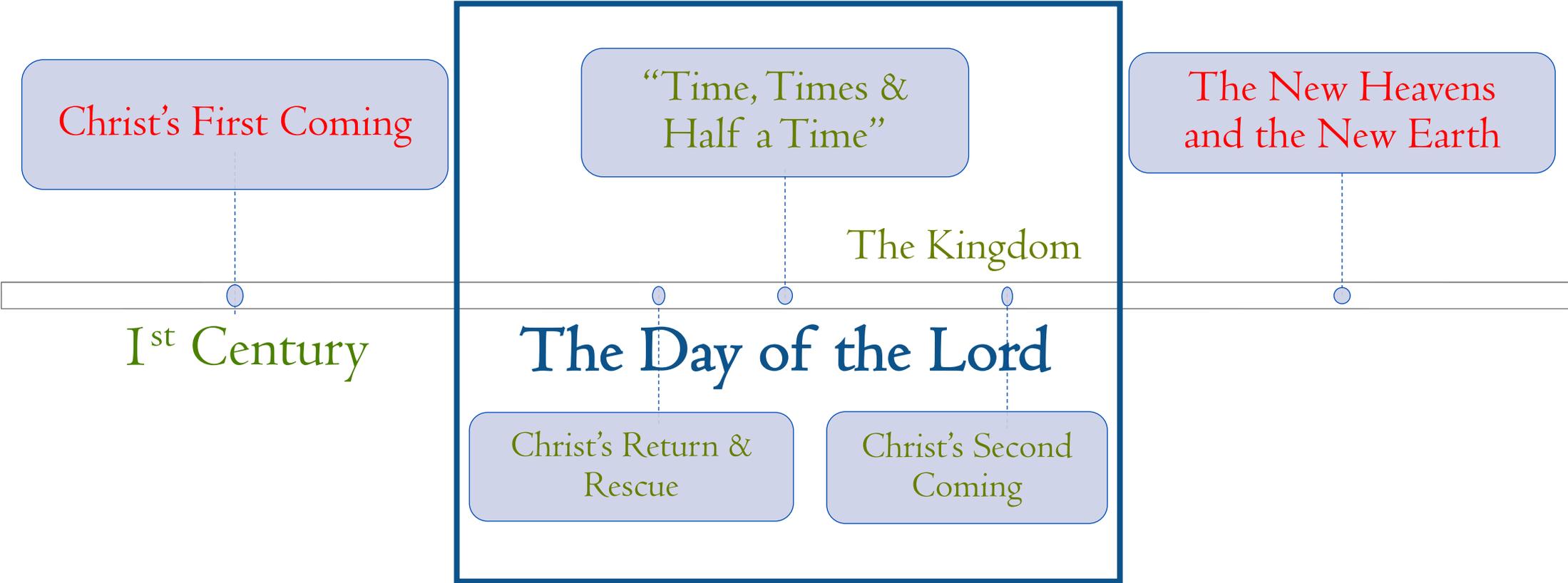


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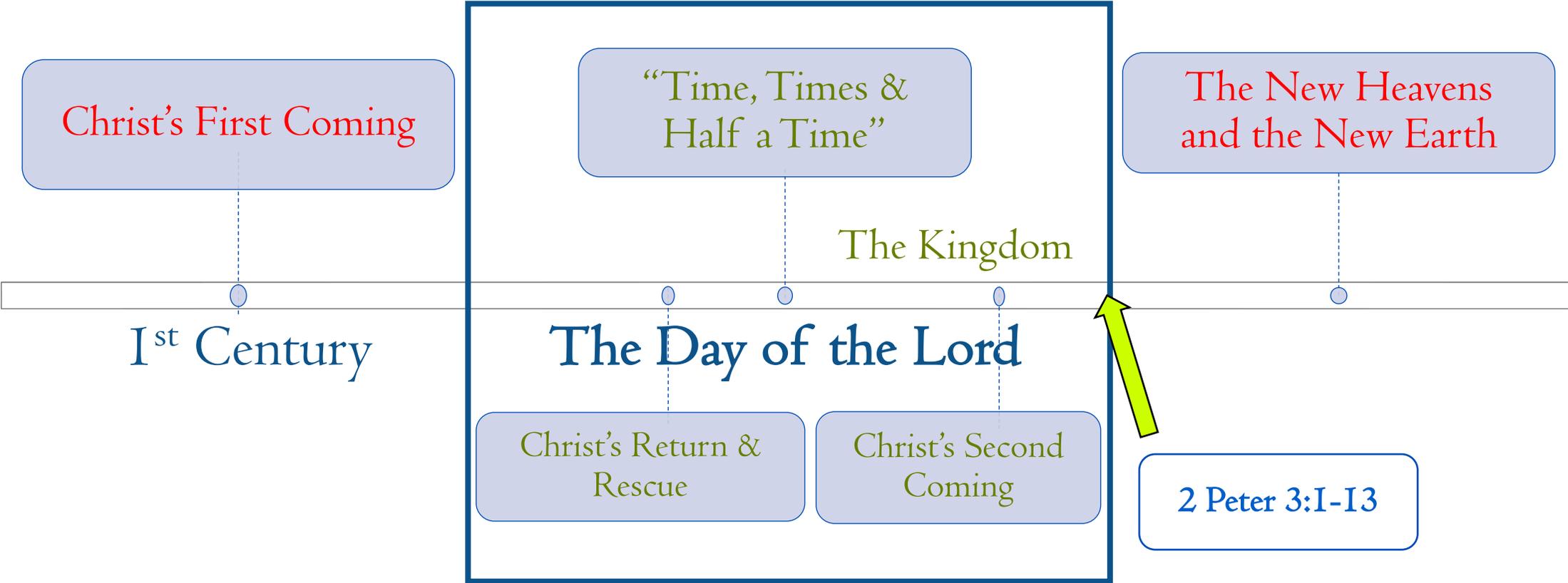
“Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.”

Revelation 21:1

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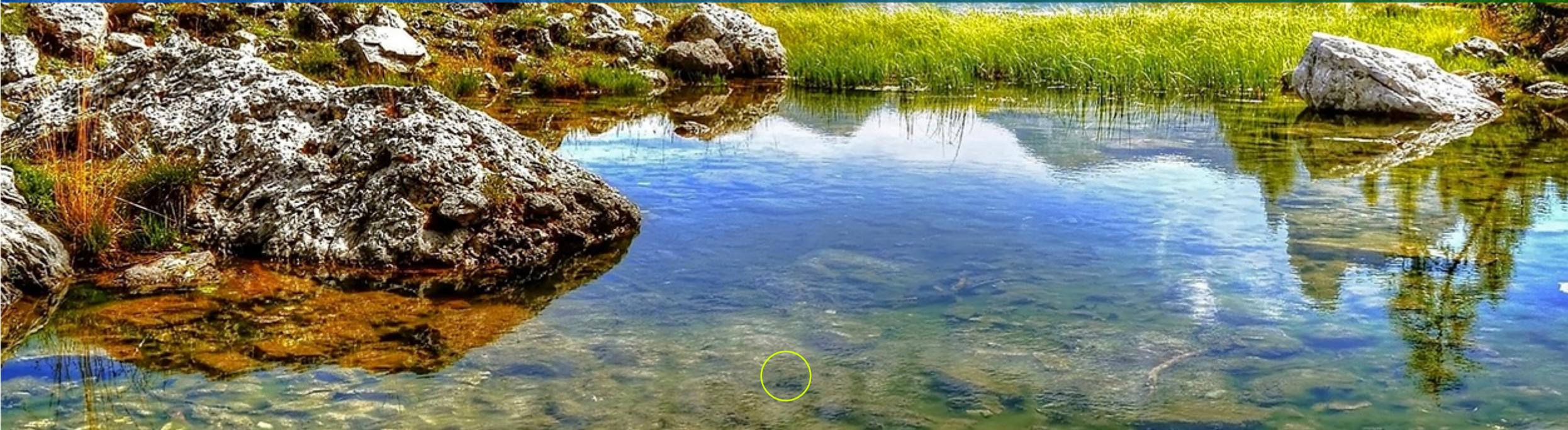


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Recap

Christ's Return & **Rescue**:

- In the line of OT rescues.
- In concert with the start of the Day of the Lord & Resurrection.



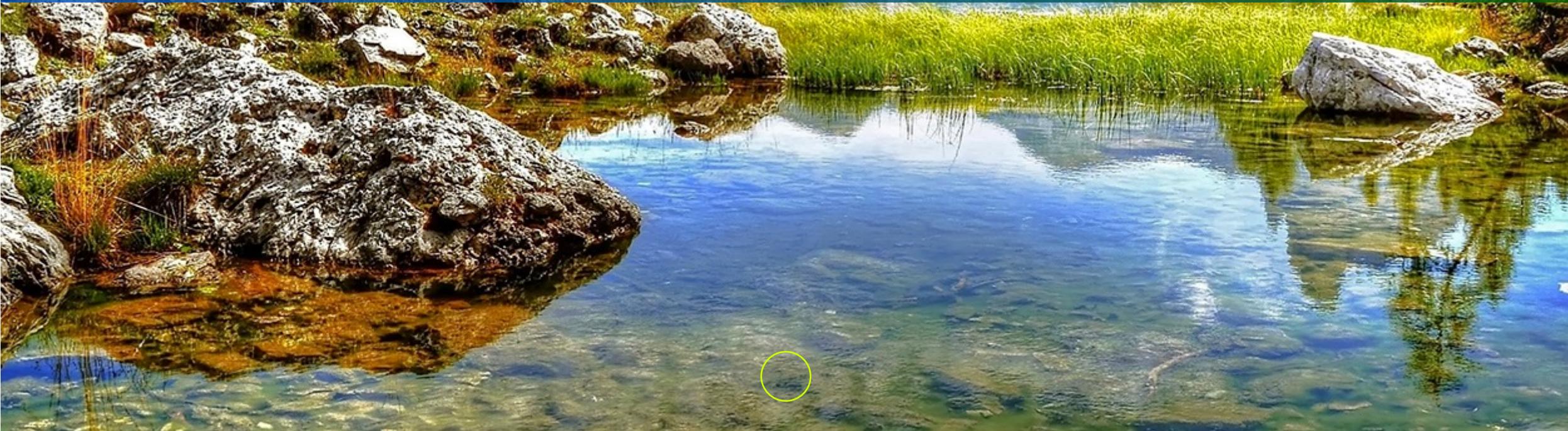
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The Man of Lawlessness:

- Same figure in Daniel & the Olivet Discourse (and Revelation).

2 Peter 3: Day of the Lord conclusion





Next Week

Revelation



Questions?
