

As the Father has loved me,  
so I have loved you.  
Abide in my love.  
- John 15:9-11

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The background is a dark blue night sky with a bright, multi-pointed star in the upper center. Below the star, the silhouettes of two people are shown in a posture of worship, one standing and one kneeling. The overall scene is serene and spiritual.

# A CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 16:8-9

**L. I have set the Lord always  
before me;**

**P. Because He is at my right  
hand I shall not be  
moved.**



L. Therefore my heart is  
glad, and my glory  
rejoices;

**P. My flesh also will rest in  
hope. Amen.**

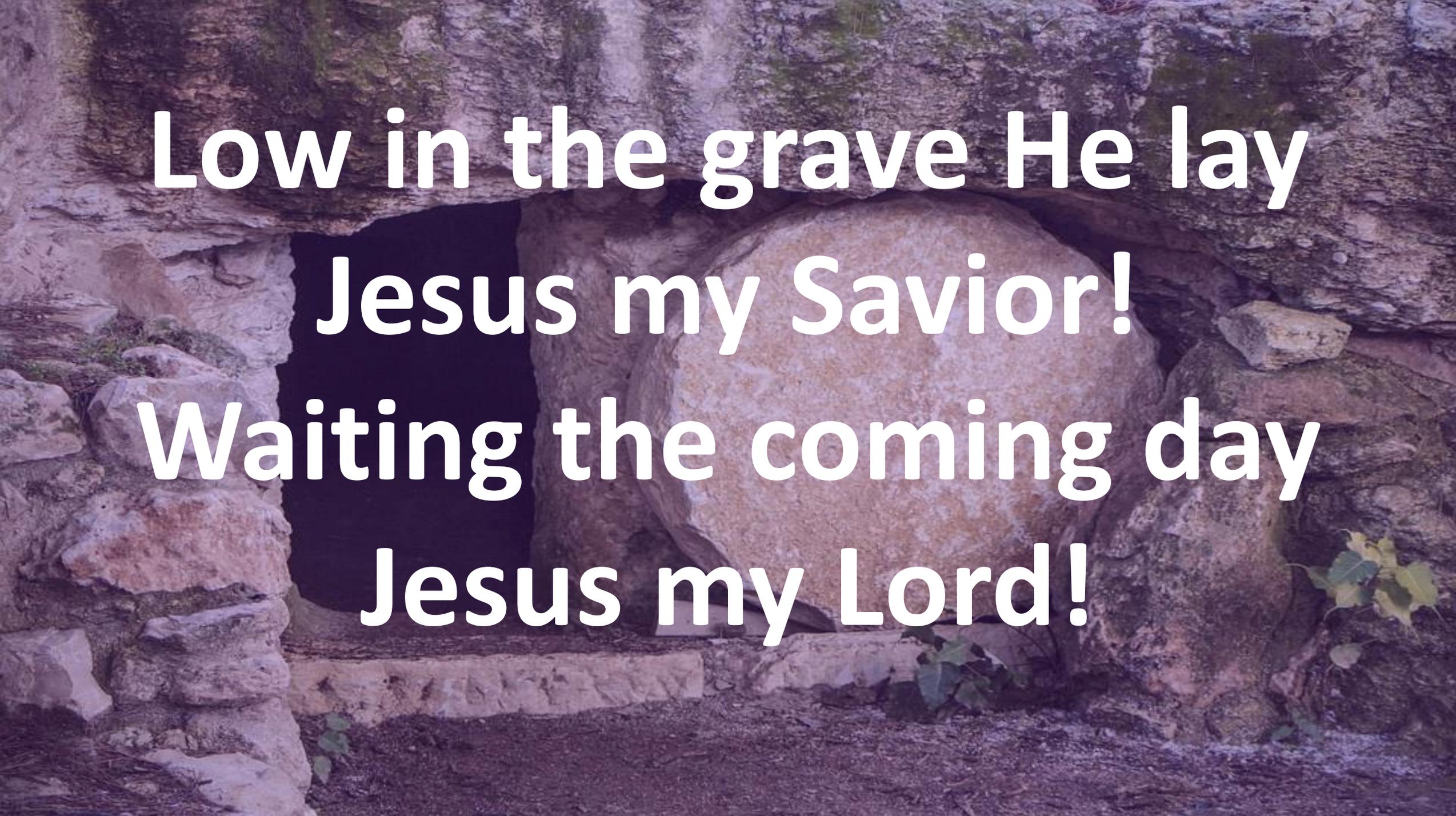




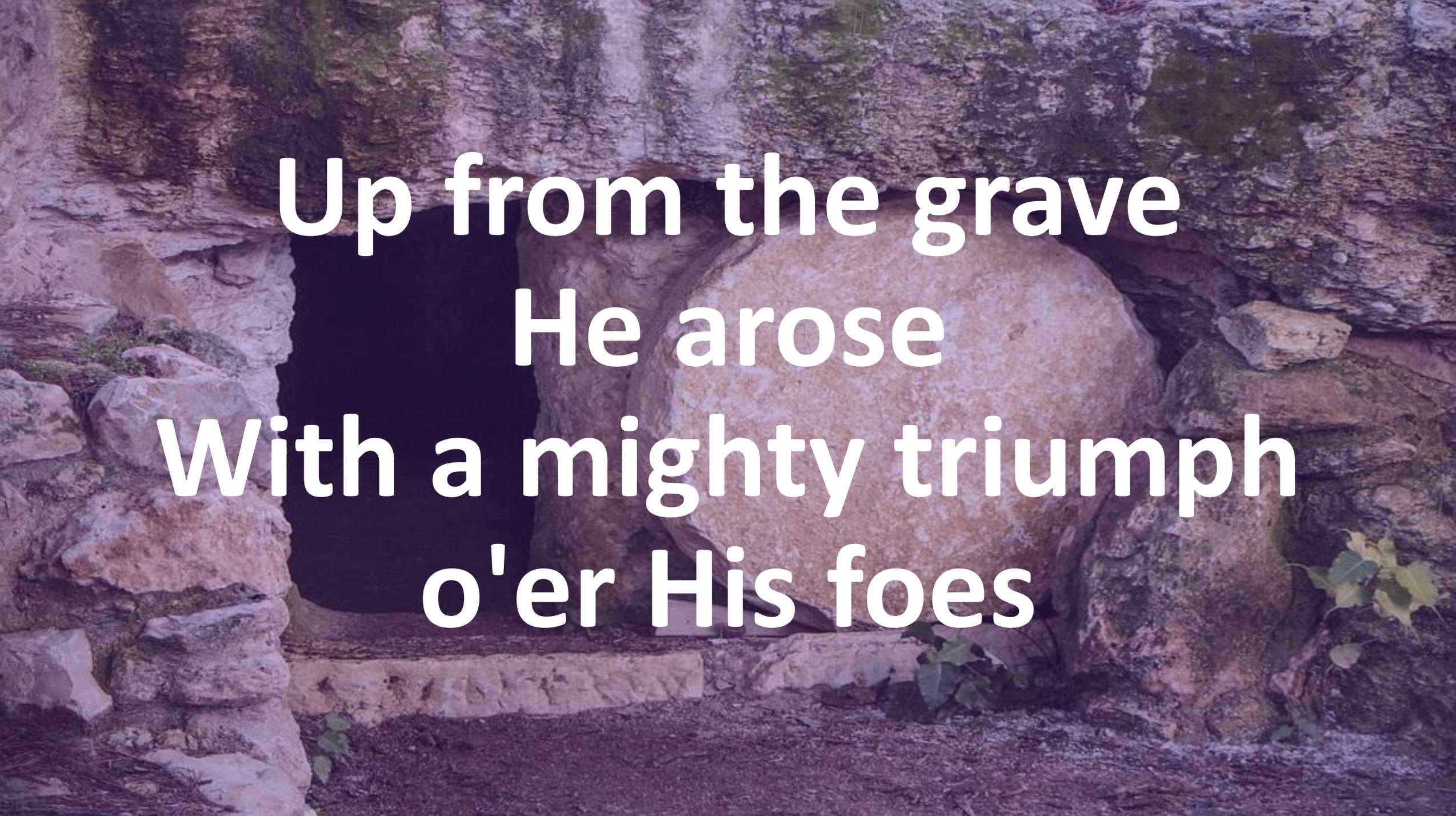
Up From the Grave...  
He Arose!

Luke 24:1-12

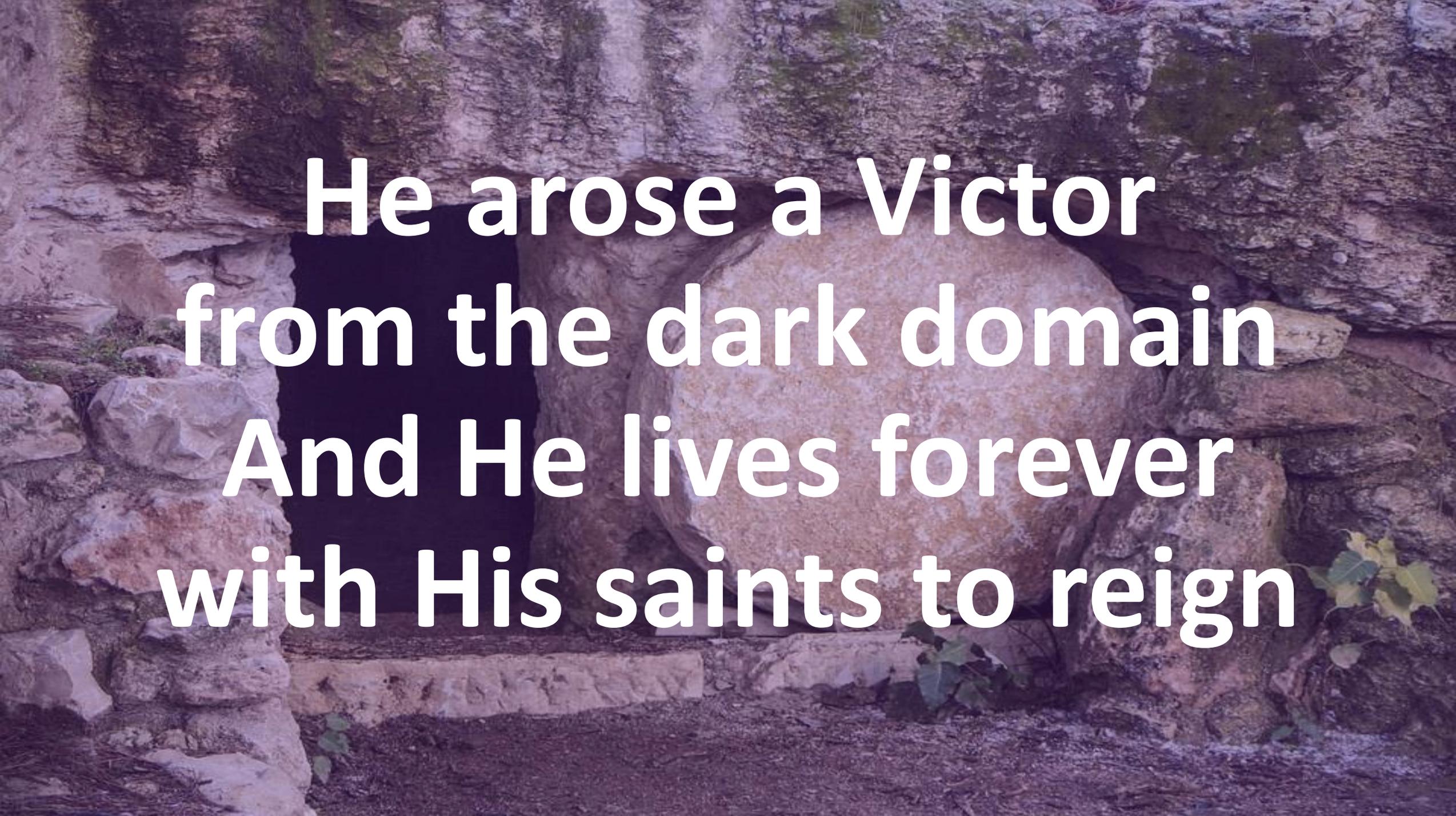
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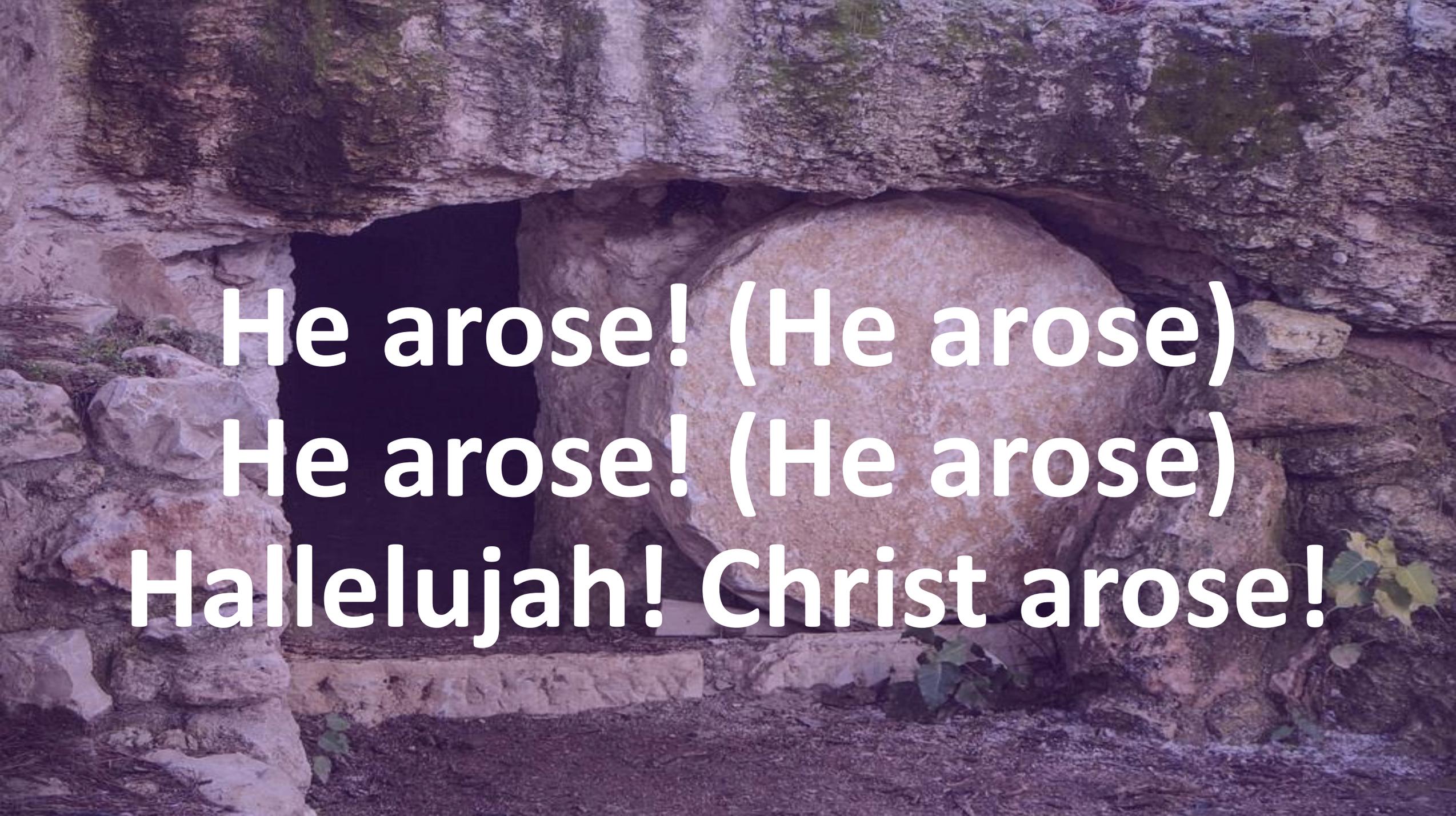
**Low in the grave He lay  
Jesus my Savior!  
Waiting the coming day  
Jesus my Lord!**

A photograph of a stone tomb entrance. A large, smooth, light-colored stone is rolled away from the opening, revealing a dark interior. The surrounding stone walls are rough and weathered. The text is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font.

**Up from the grave  
He arose  
With a mighty triumph  
o'er His foes**



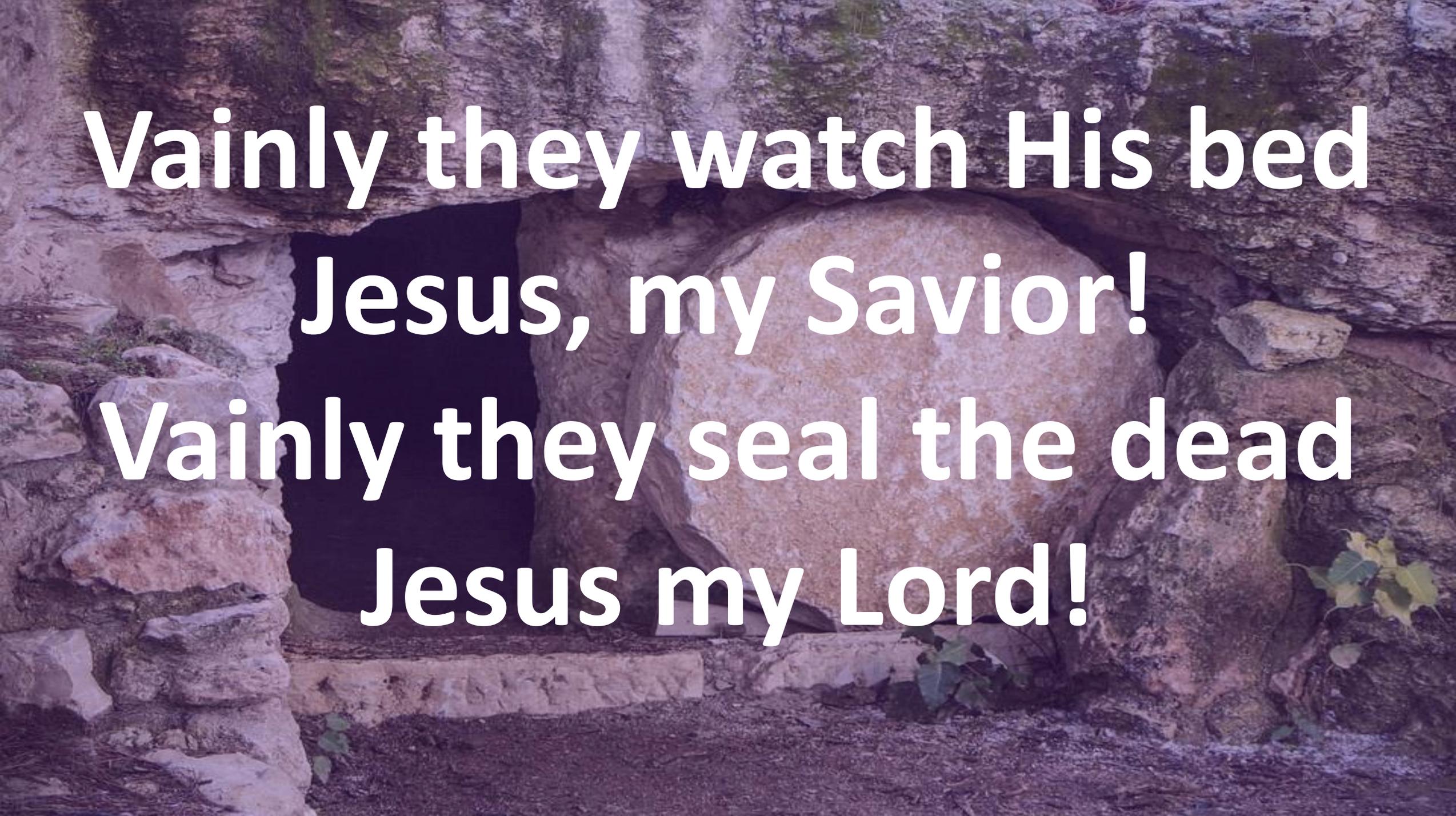
**He arose a Victor  
from the dark domain  
And He lives forever  
with His saints to reign**



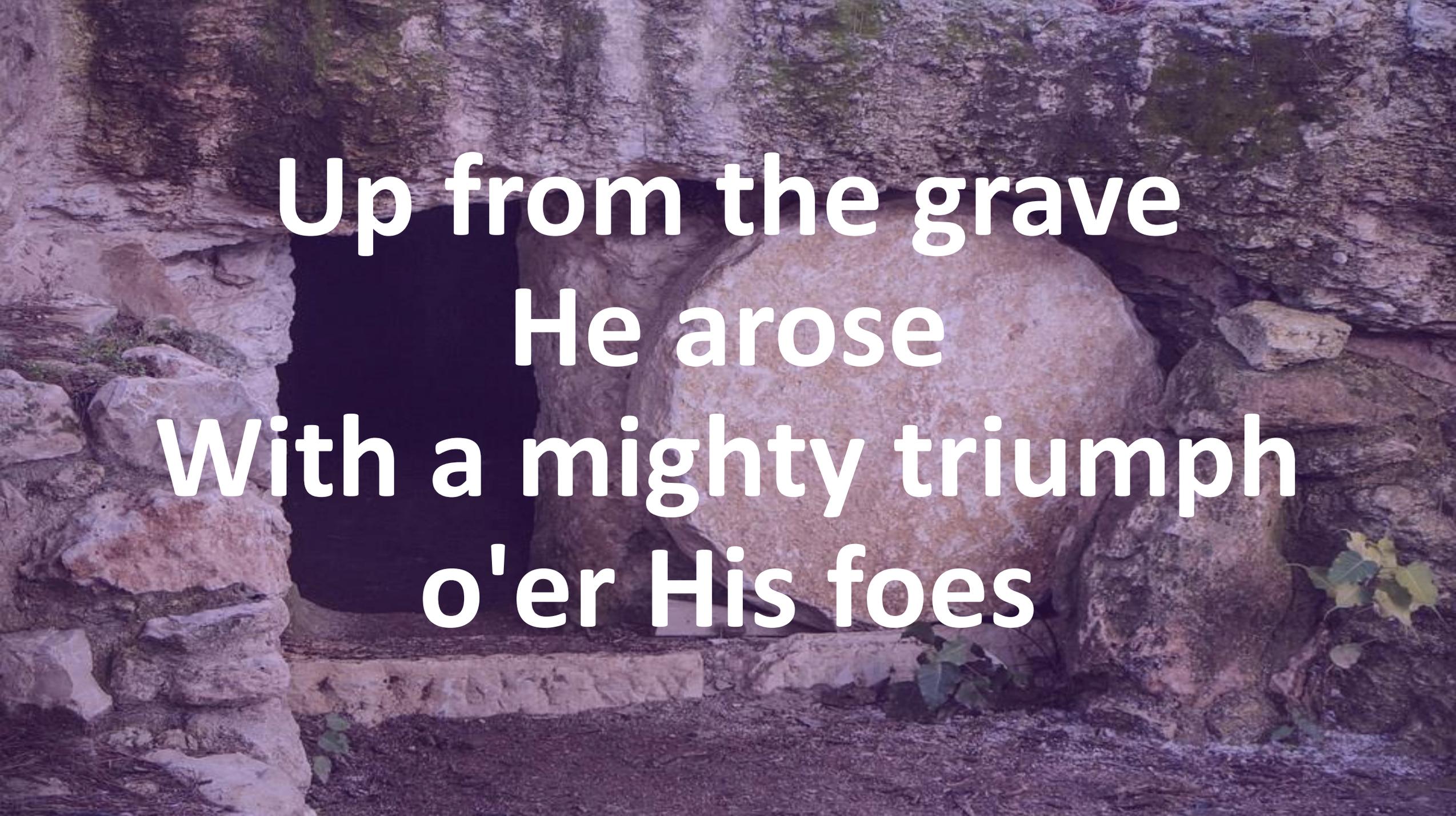
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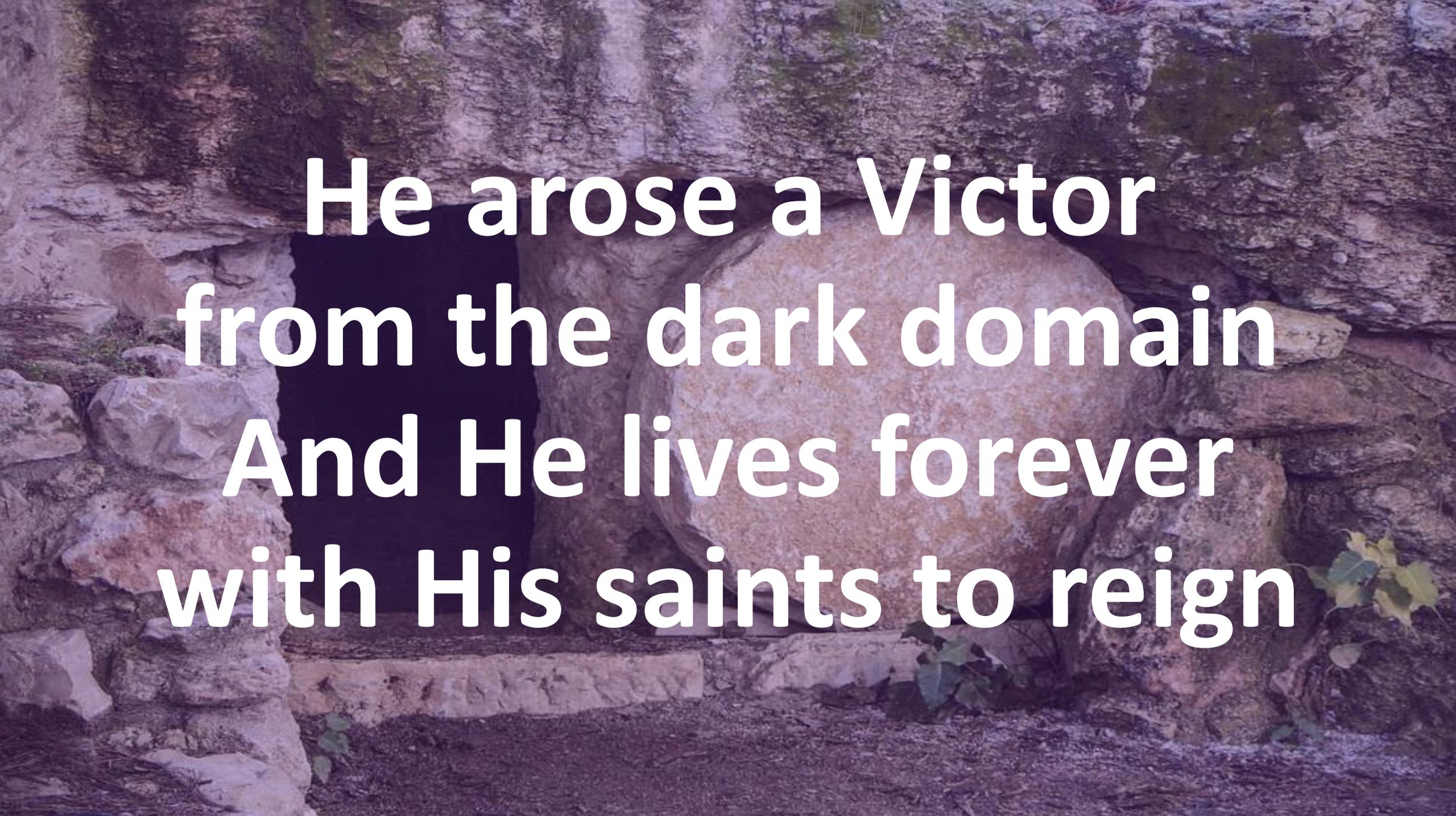
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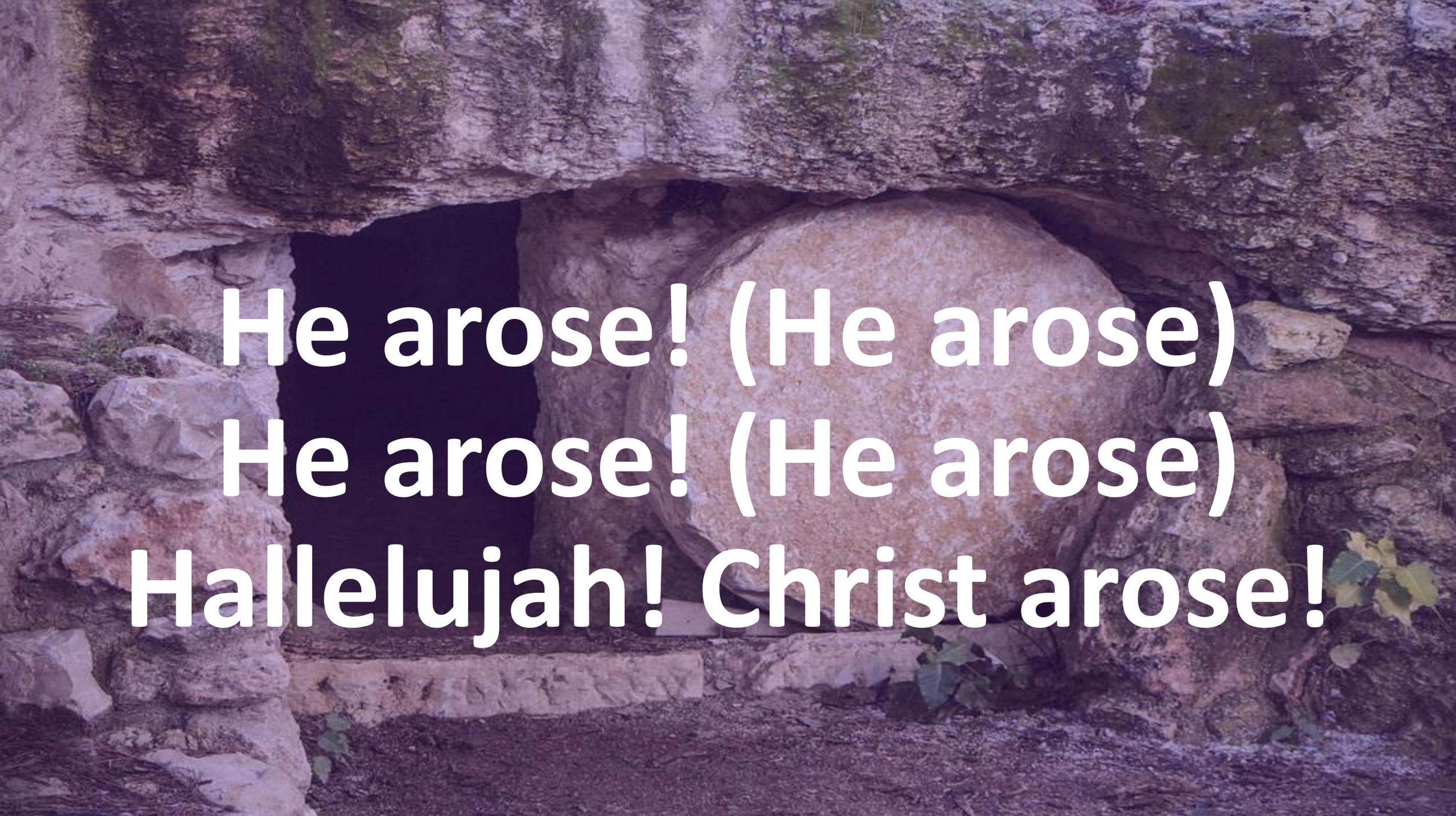
**Vainly they watch His bed  
Jesus, my Savior!  
Vainly they seal the dead  
Jesus my Lord!**

A photograph of a stone tomb entrance. A large, smooth, light-colored stone is rolled away from the opening, resting on the ground to the right. The tomb is built from rough-hewn, greyish-brown stones. The background is a dark, shadowed interior of the tomb. The text is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font.

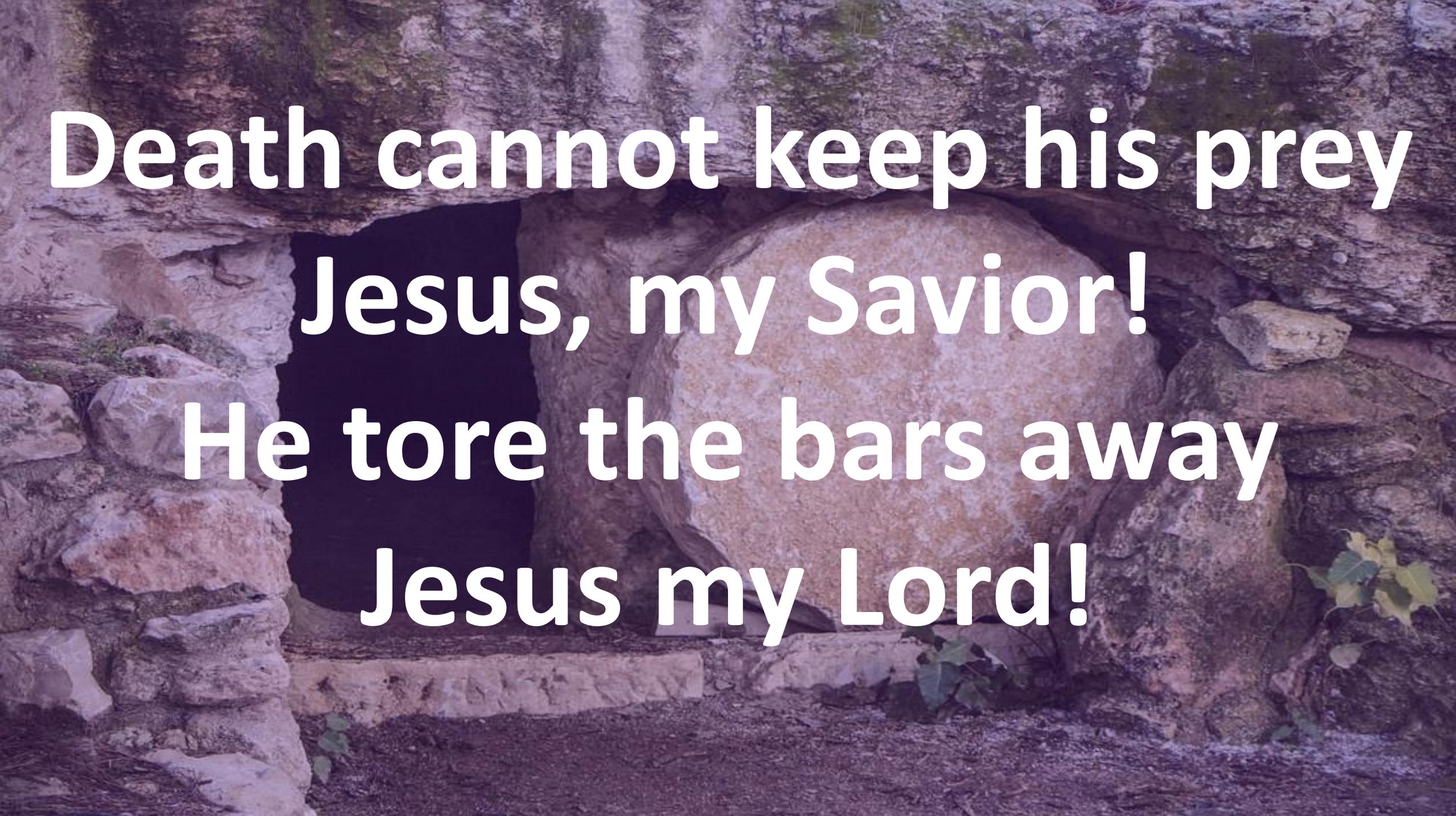
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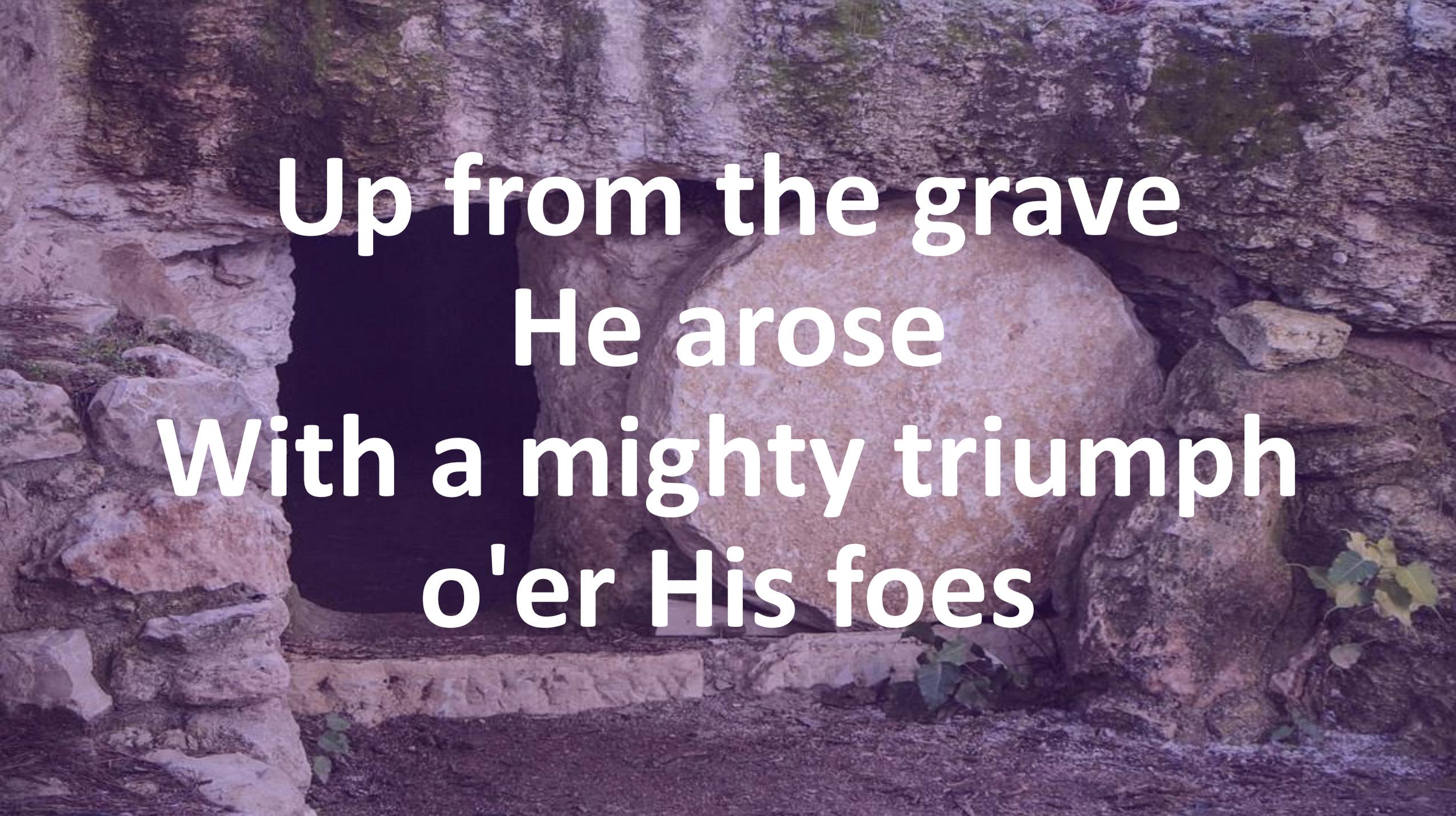


**Death cannot keep his prey**

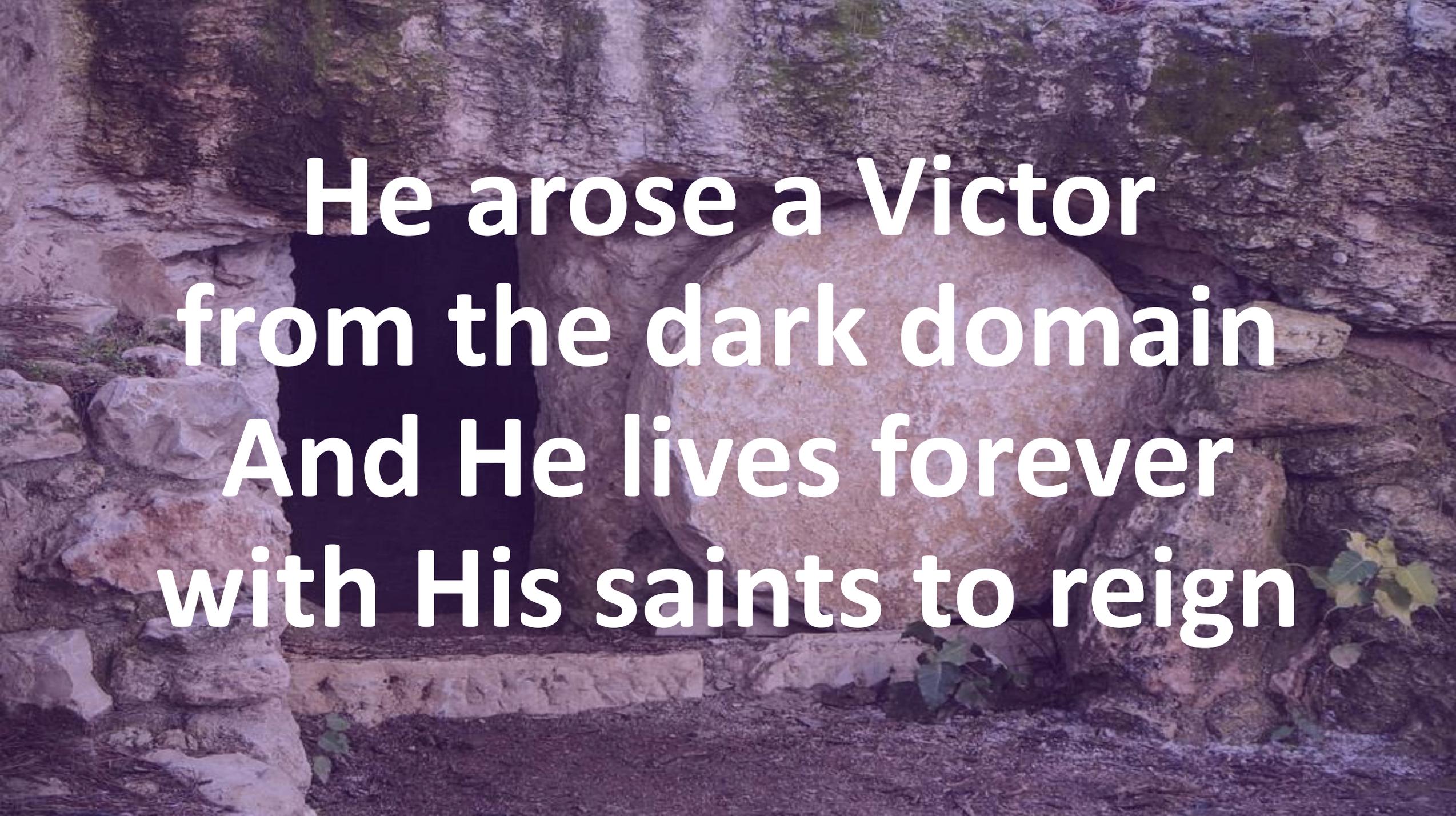
**Jesus, my Savior!**

**He tore the bars away**

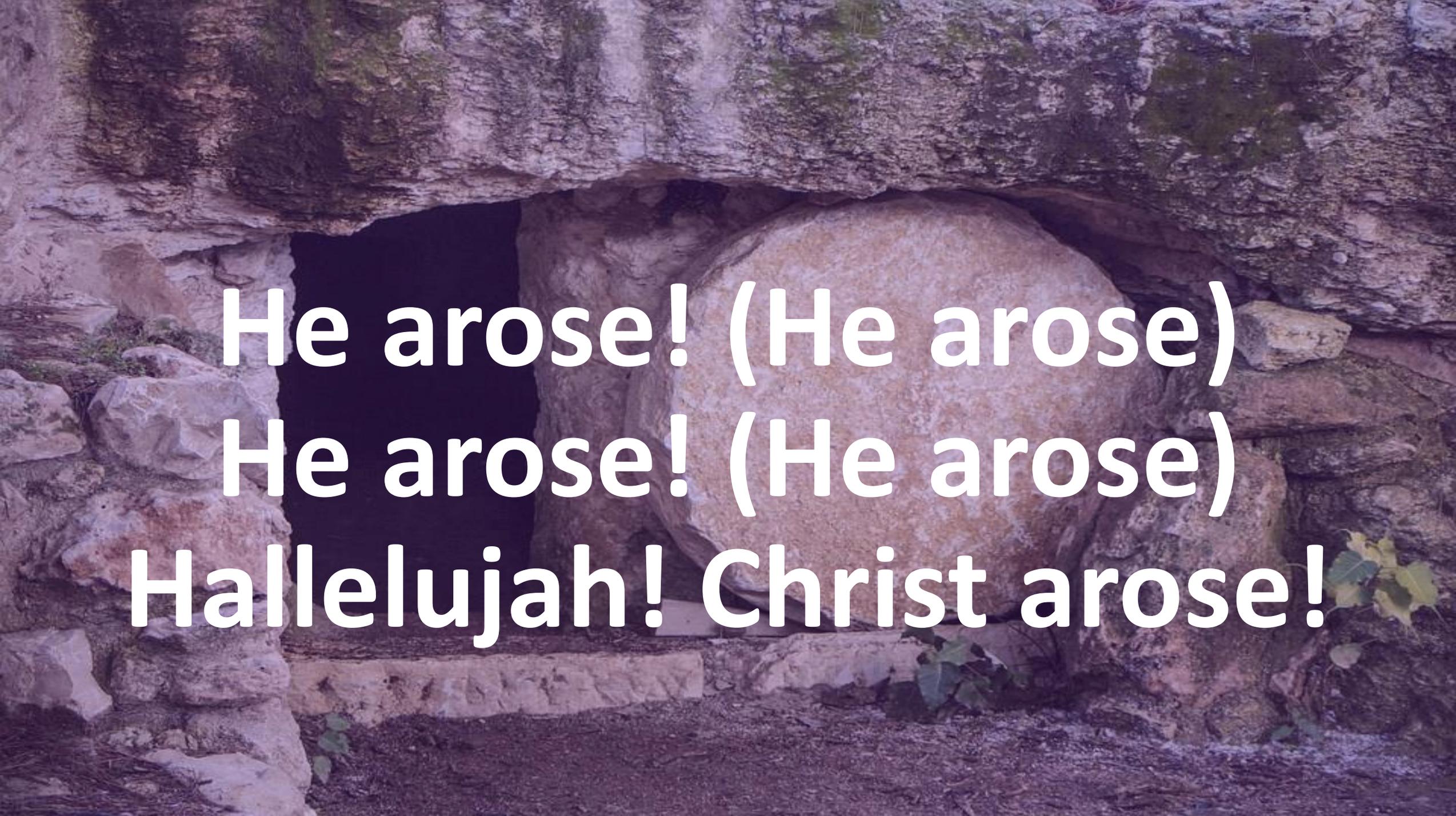
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# *Responsive Reading*

#781 UMH  
Psalm 47:1-9

L: Clap your hands, all  
peoples!

P: Shout to God with songs of  
joy!

L: For the Lord, the Most High, is to be feared,

P: a great ruler over all the earth,

L: who subdued peoples  
under us, and nations  
under our feet,

P: who chose our heritage  
for us, the pride of Jacob  
whom God loves.

L: God has gone up with a shout,

P: The Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

L: Sing praises to God, sing  
praises!

P: Sing praises to our ruler, sing  
praises!

L: For God is the ruler of all  
the earth;

P: sing praises with a psalm!

L: God reigns over the  
nations;

P: God sits on his holy throne.

L: The princes of the people  
gather as the people of  
the God of Abraham.

P: For the shields of the earth belong to God, who is highly exalted!

# *Responsive Reading*

#780 UMH

Psalm 46:1-11

L: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

P: Therefore we will not fear  
though the earth should  
change, though the  
mountains shake in the heart  
of the sea;

L: though its waters roar and  
foam, though the  
mountains tremble with its  
tumult.

P: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

L: God is in the midst of the city which shall not be moved; God will help it at the dawn of the day.

P: The nations rage, the  
kingdoms totter; God's  
voice resounds, the earth  
melts.

L: The Lord of hosts is with  
us;

P: the God of Jacob is our  
refuge.

L: Come, behold the works of  
the Lord, who has wrought  
desolations in the earth;

P: who makes wars cease to  
the ends of the earth,  
breaks the bow, shatters  
the spear, and burns the  
shields with fire!

L: “Be still, and know that I am God. I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth!”

P: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Amen.



**THIS WEEK**

*MARK YOUR CALENDARS*

A person wearing a white, flowing robe stands waist-deep in a body of water. Their arms are raised high in a gesture of praise or joy. The water splashes around them, creating a dynamic and energetic scene. In the clear blue sky above, a white dove is visible, symbolizing peace or the Holy Spirit. The overall atmosphere is one of spiritual joy and celebration.

# Joys & Concerns

# **Prayers of the People**



## THE LORD'S

OUR FATHER, WHO ART  
IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE  
THY NAME. THY KINGDOM  
COME. THY WILL BE DONE ON  
EARTH, AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.  
GIVE US THIS DAY OUR  
DAILY BREAD. AND FORGIVE  
US OUR TRESPASSES AS

## PRAYER

WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO  
TRESPASS AGAINST US,  
AND LEAD US NOT INTO  
TEMPTATION, BUT DELIVER  
US FROM EVIL. FOR THINE  
IS THE KINGDOM, AND THE  
POWER, AND THE GLORY,  
FOR EVER. AMEN.

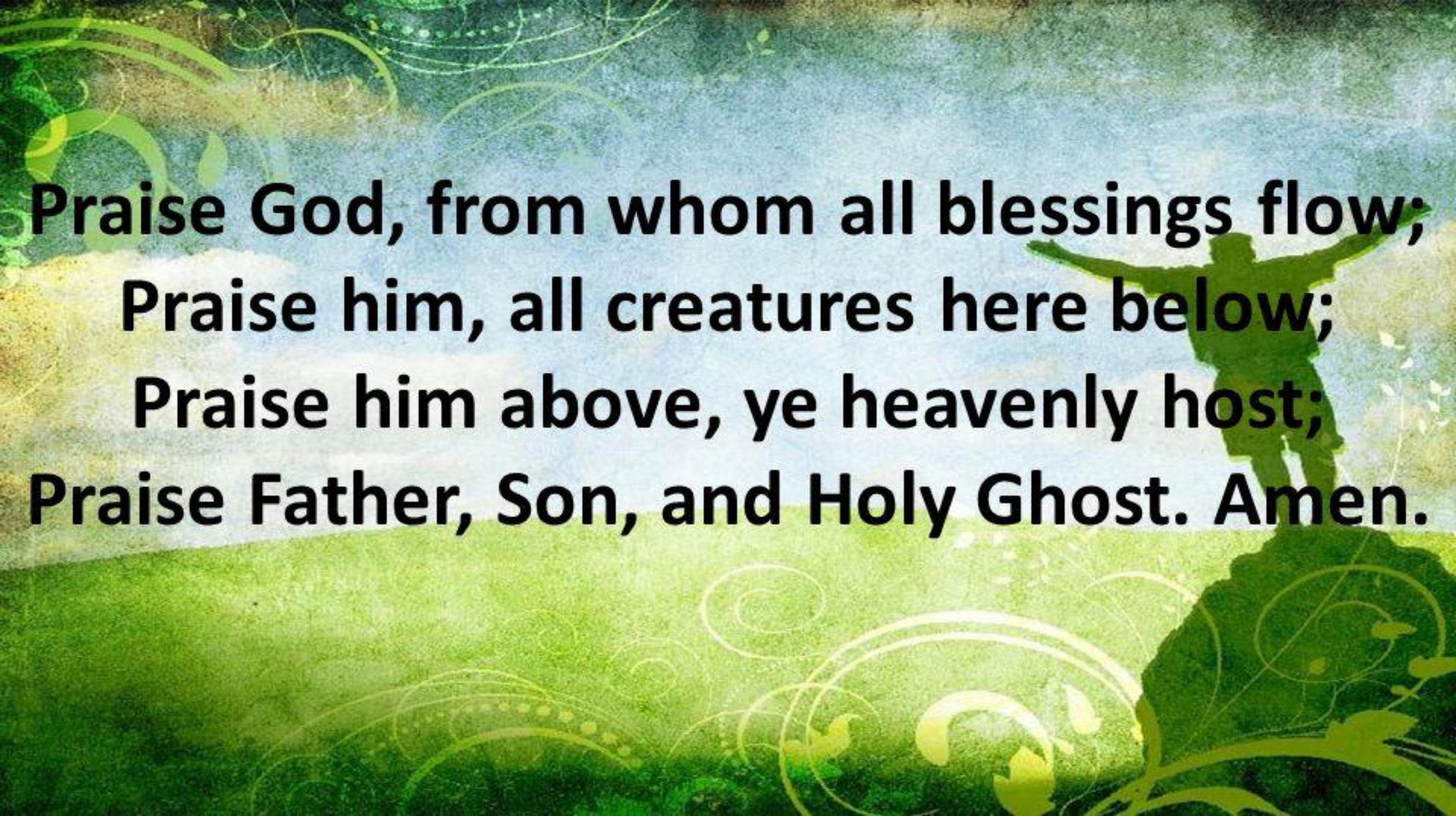
Children's Time!

JESUS  
LOVES the little  
children...

with Bob

# OFFERING

AN ACT OF WORSHIP



**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**



Affirmation  
*of* Faith



#881 UMH

**I believe in God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ  
his only Son, our Lord;**

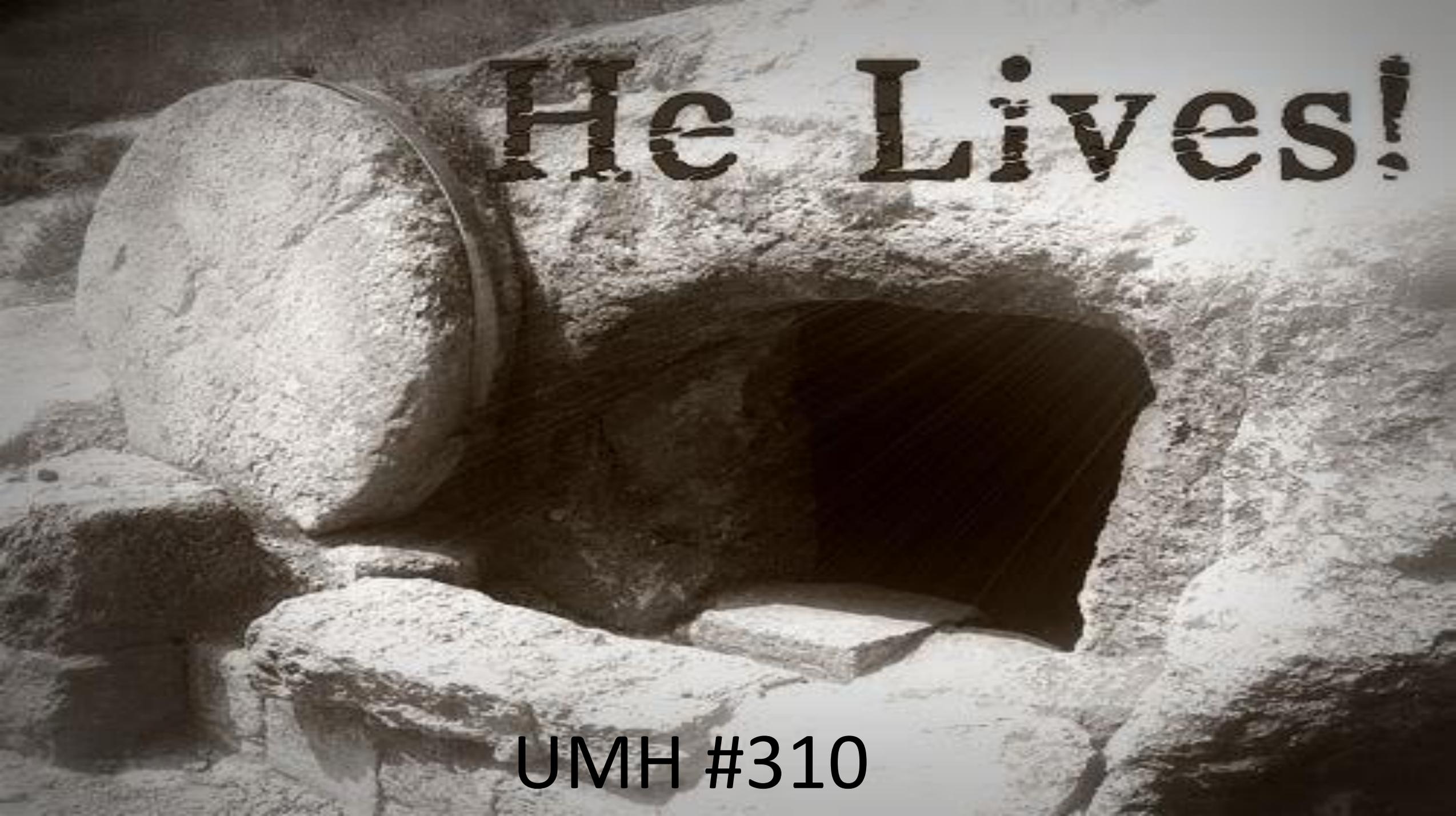
**who was conceived  
by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified,  
dead, and buried;**

**the third day  
he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand  
of God the Father Almighty;**

**from thence he shall come to  
judge the quick and the dead.**

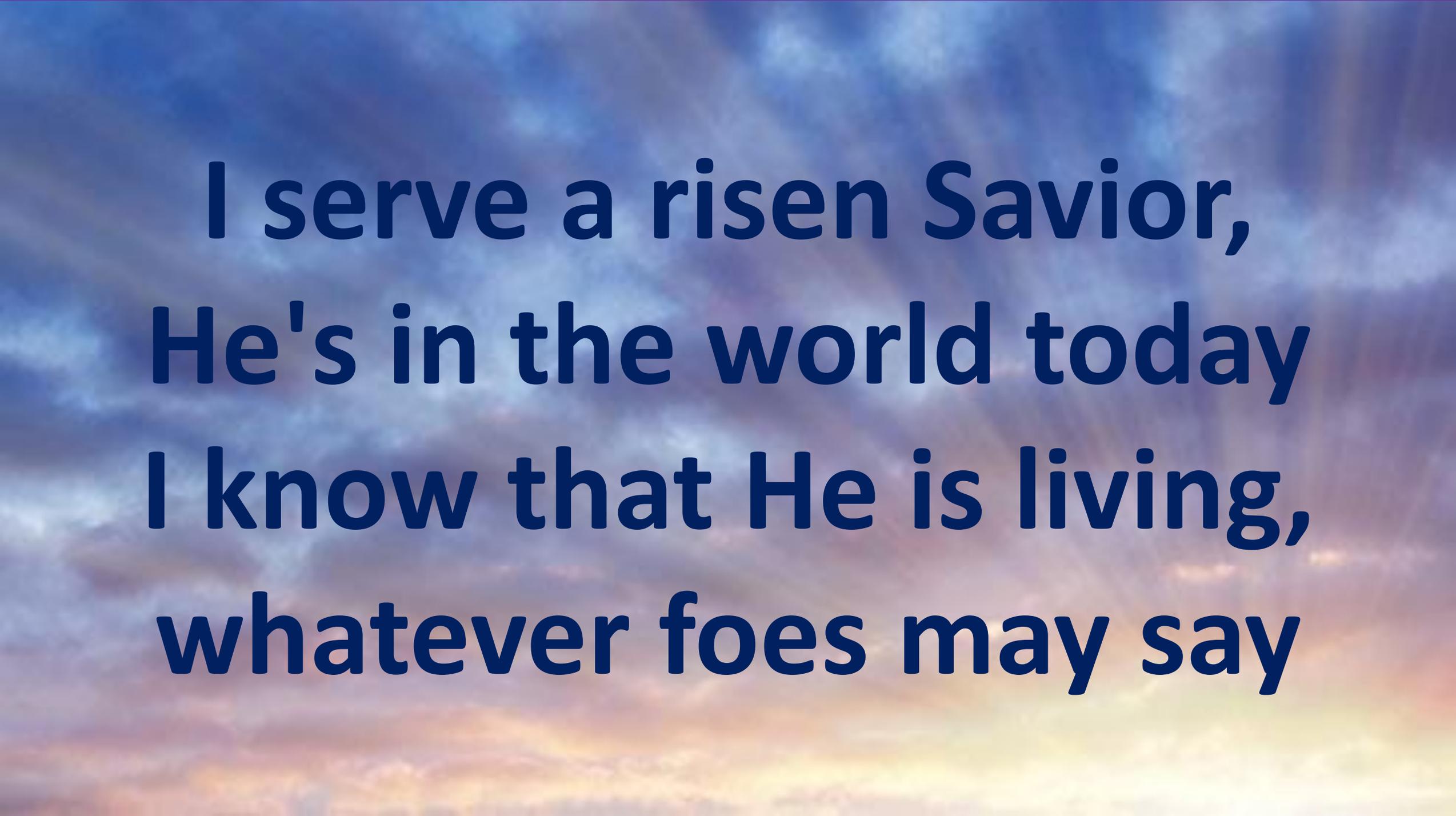
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,**

**the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

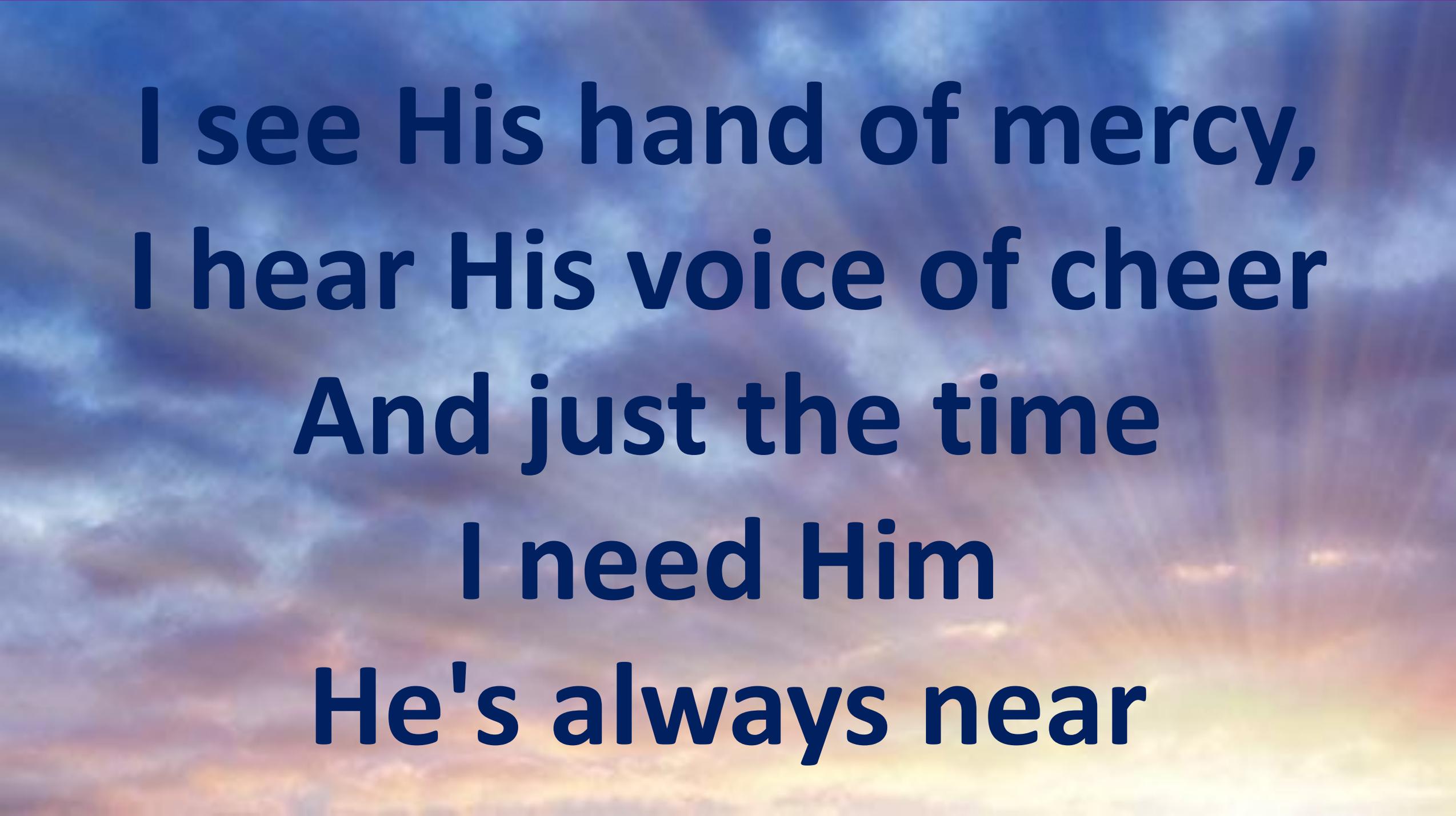


**He Lives!**

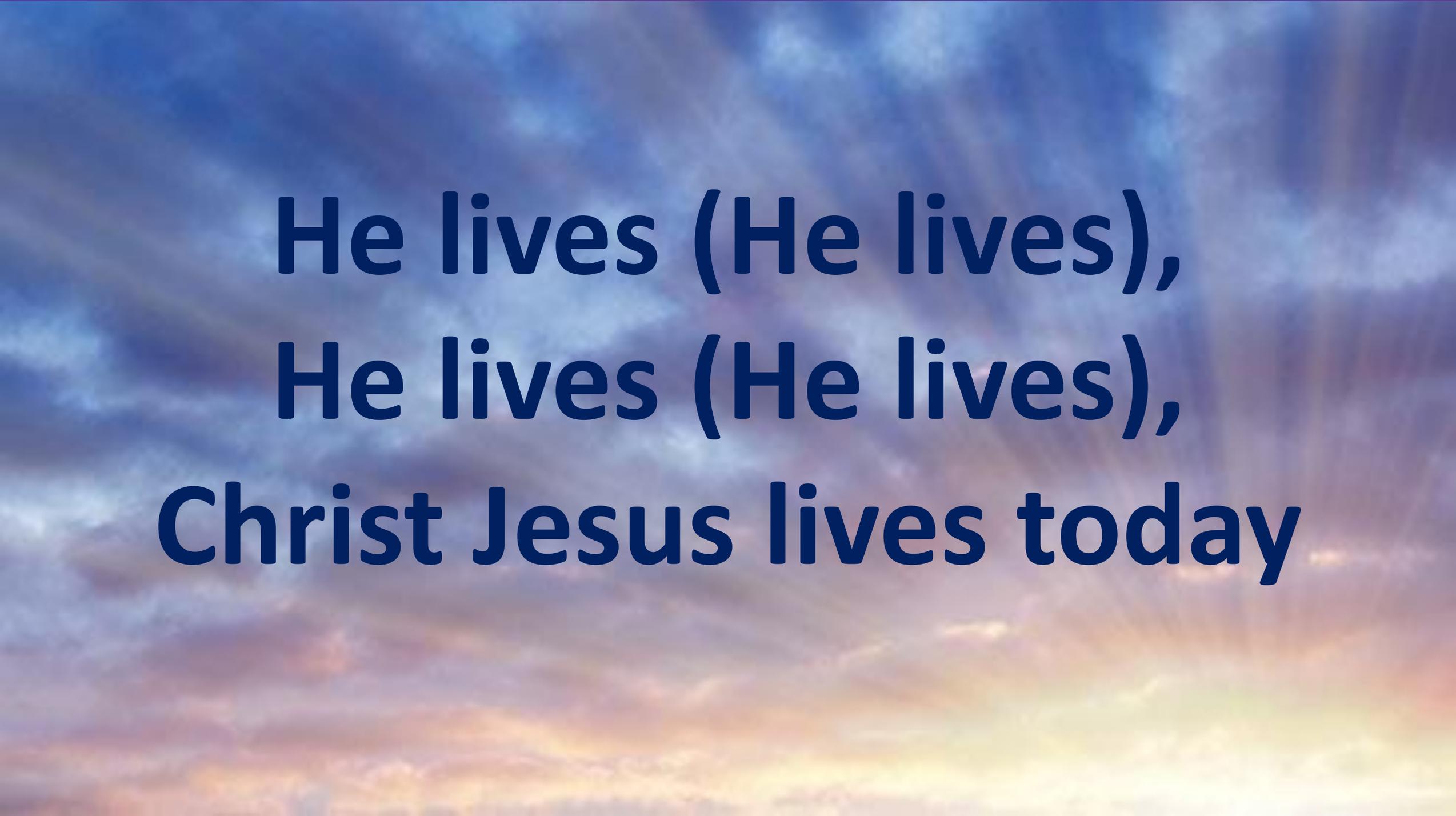
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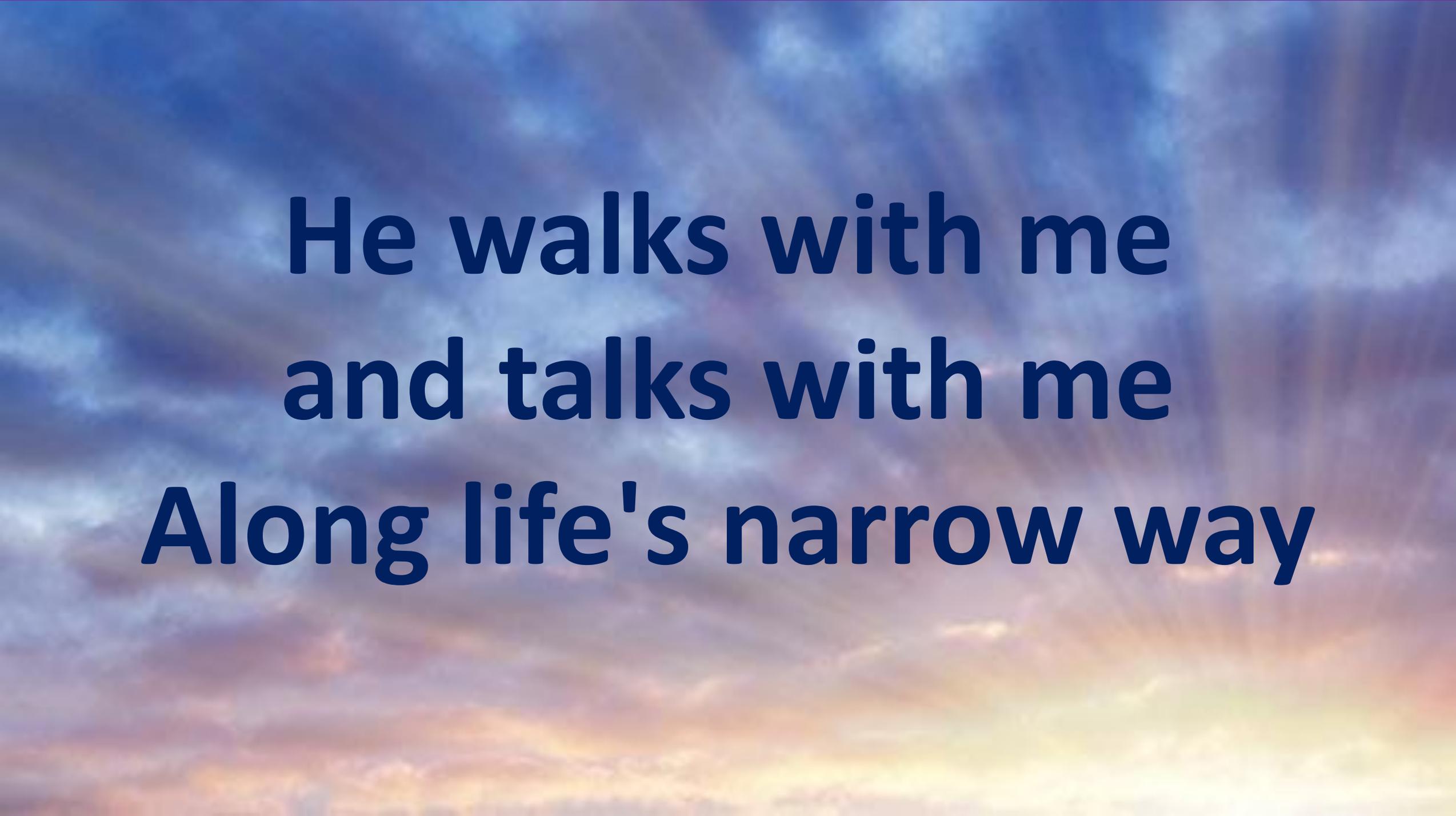
**I serve a risen Savior,  
He's in the world today  
I know that He is living,  
whatever foes may say**



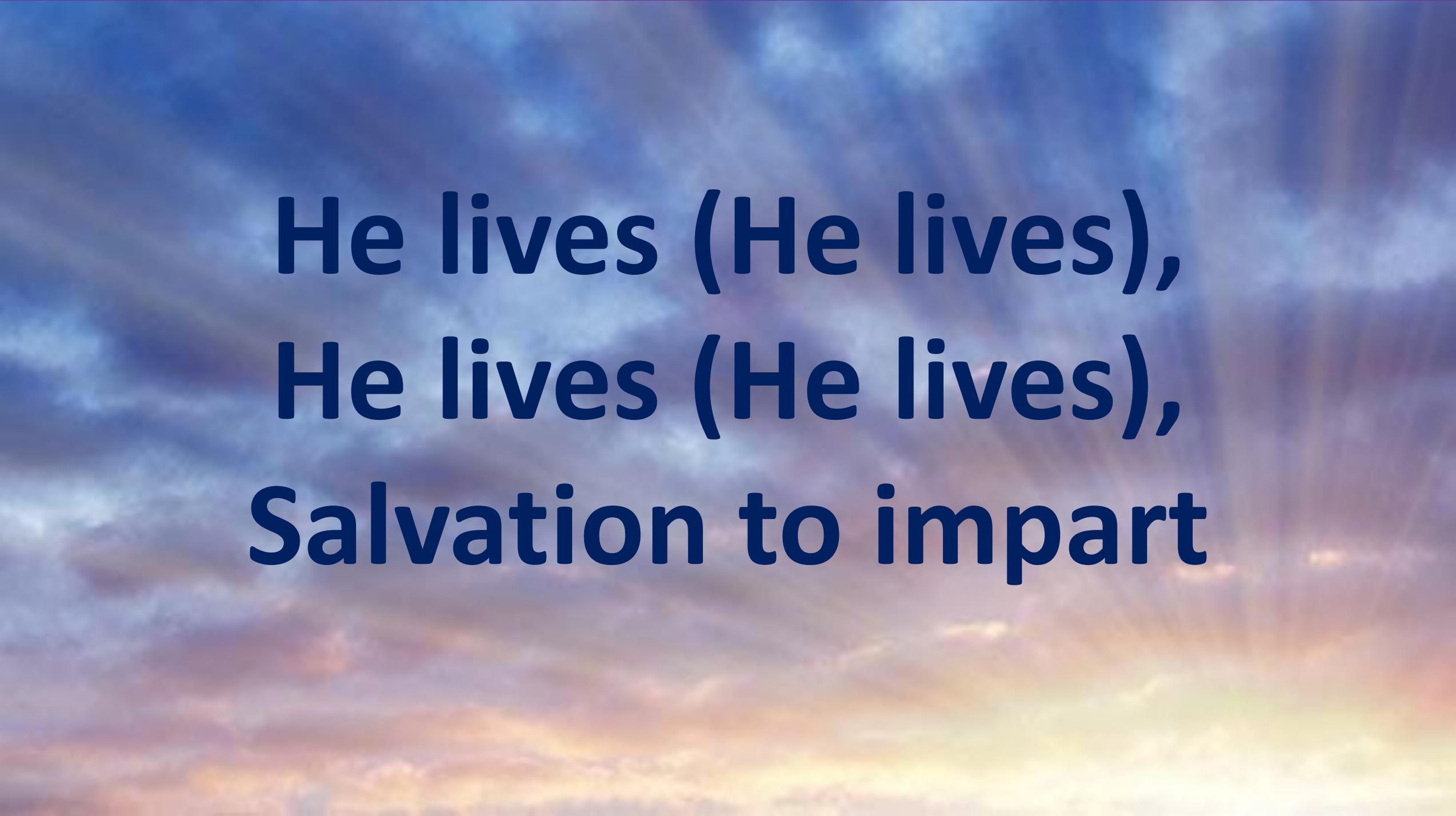
**I see His hand of mercy,  
I hear His voice of cheer  
And just the time  
I need Him  
He's always near**



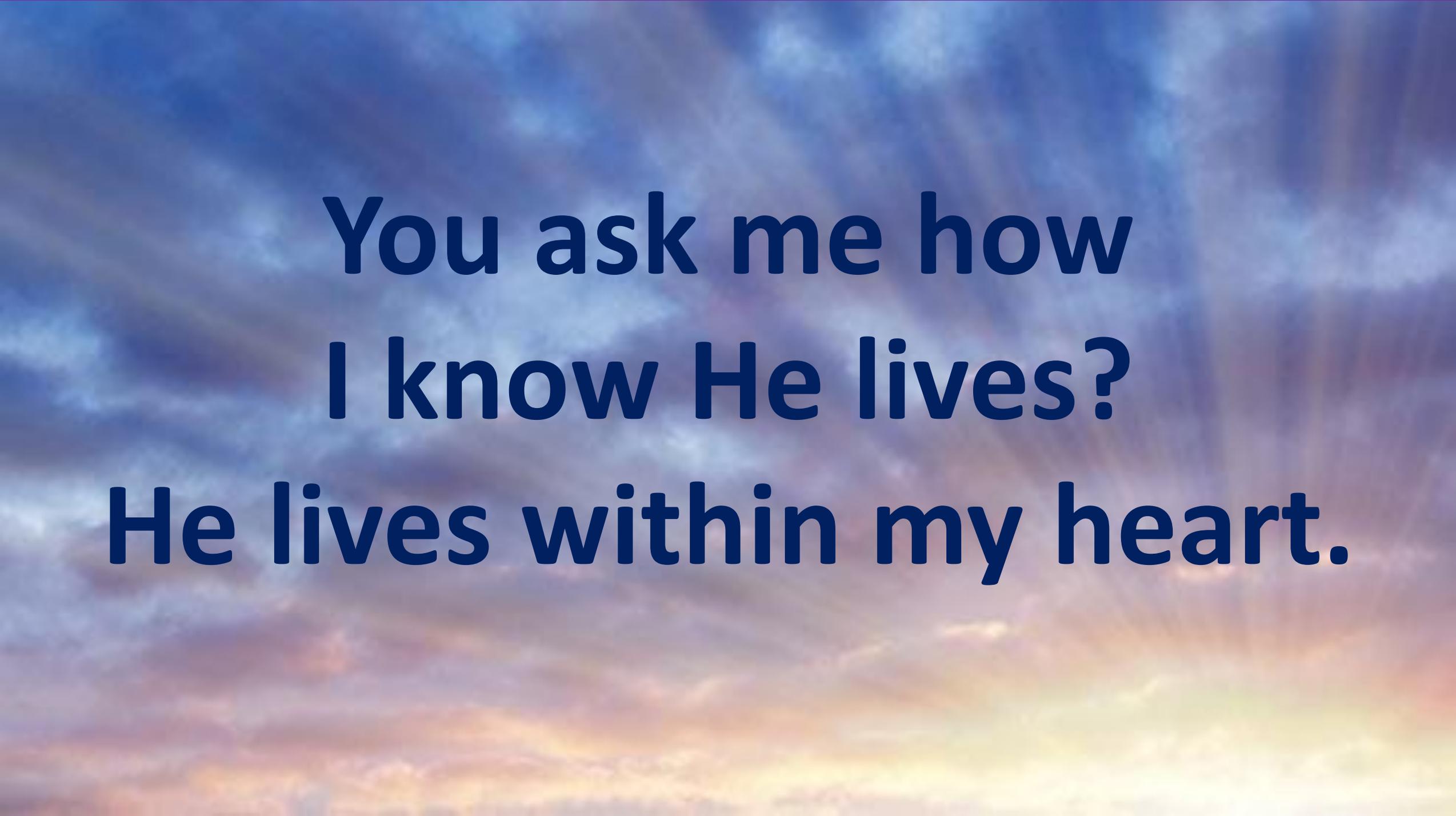
**He lives (He lives),  
He lives (He lives),  
Christ Jesus lives today**



**He walks with me  
and talks with me  
Along life's narrow way**



**He lives (He lives),  
He lives (He lives),  
Salvation to impart**



**You ask me how  
I know He lives?  
He lives within my heart.**

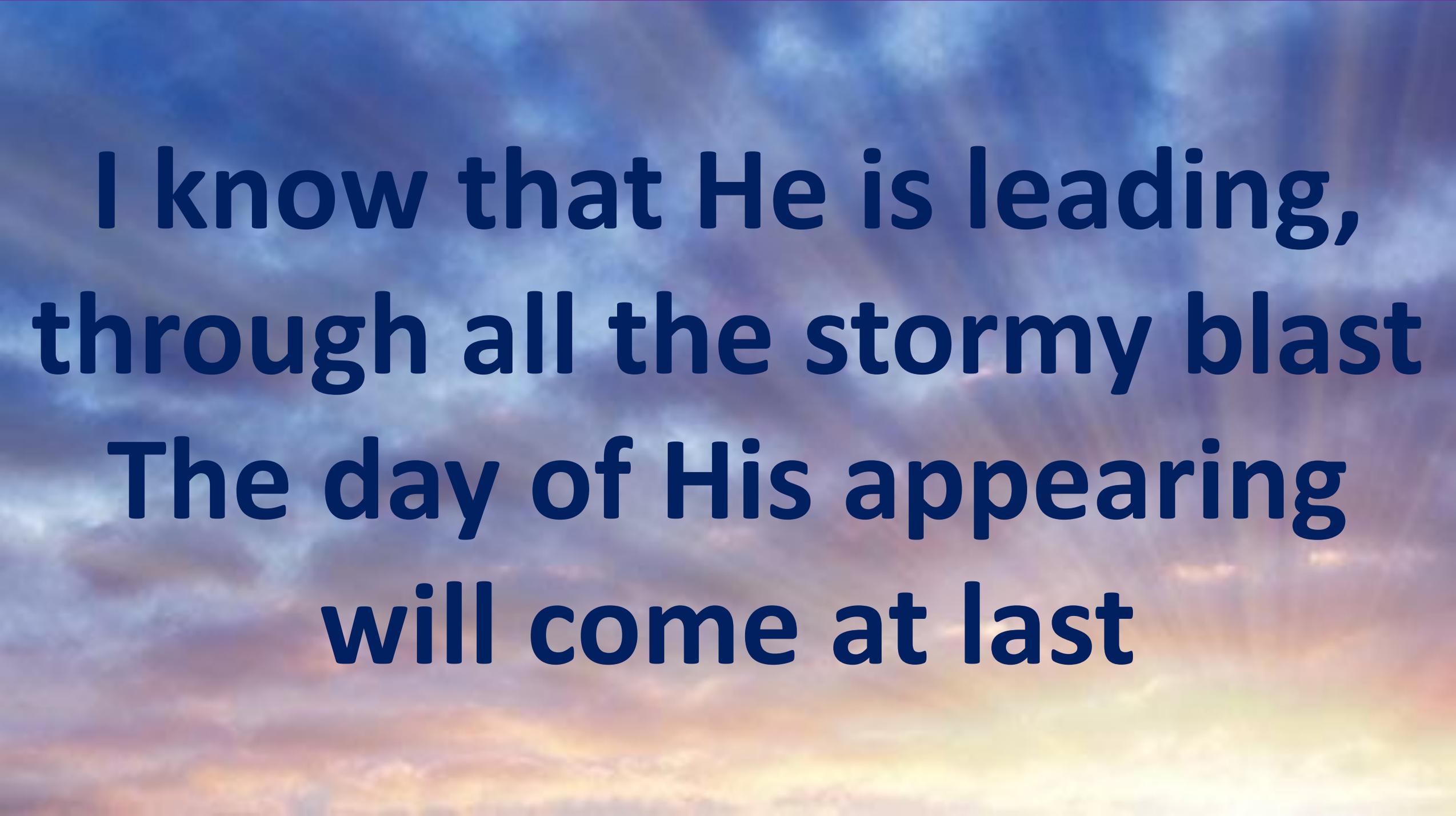
**In all the world around me**

**I see His loving care**

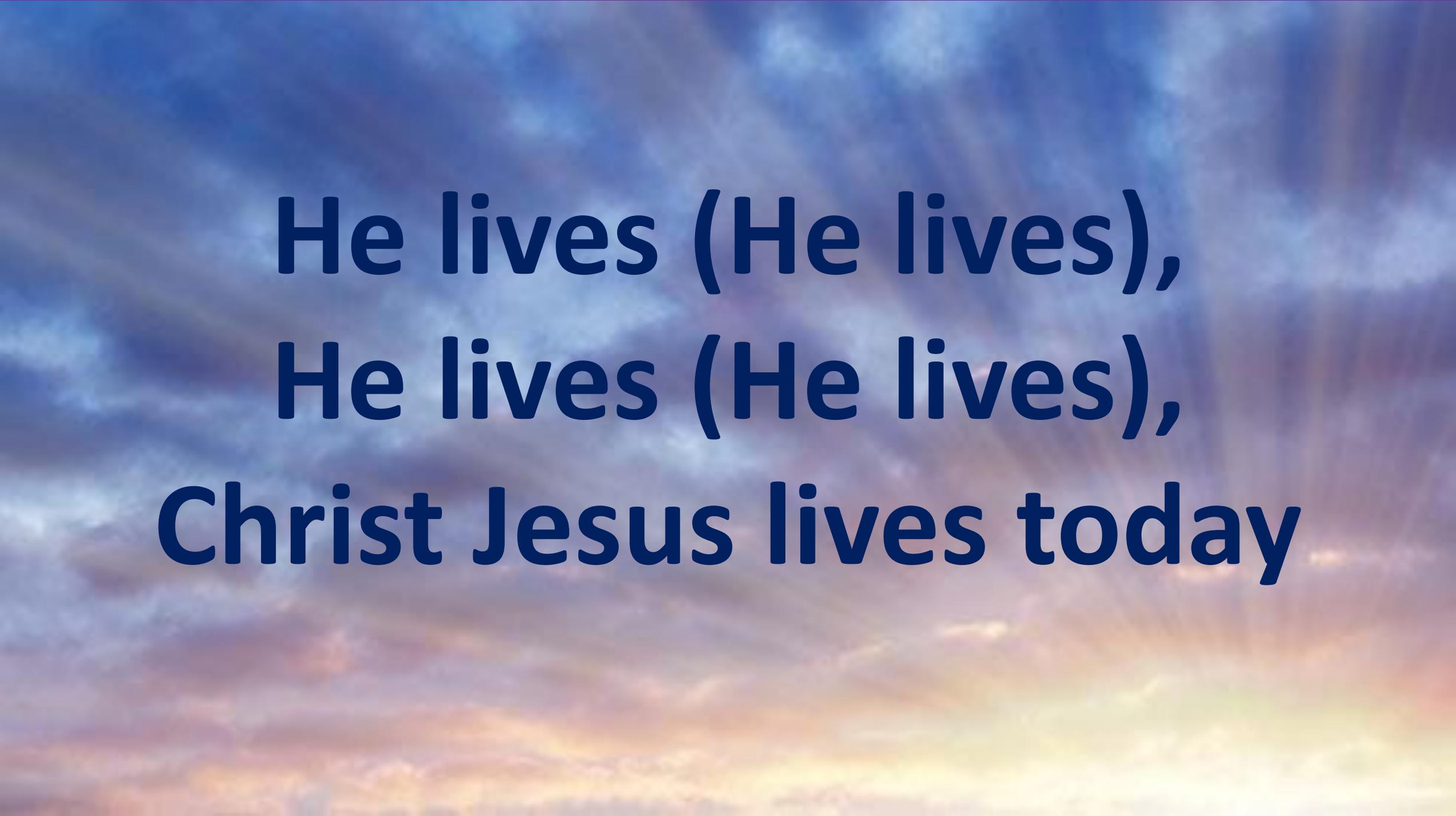
**And though my heart**

**grows weary**

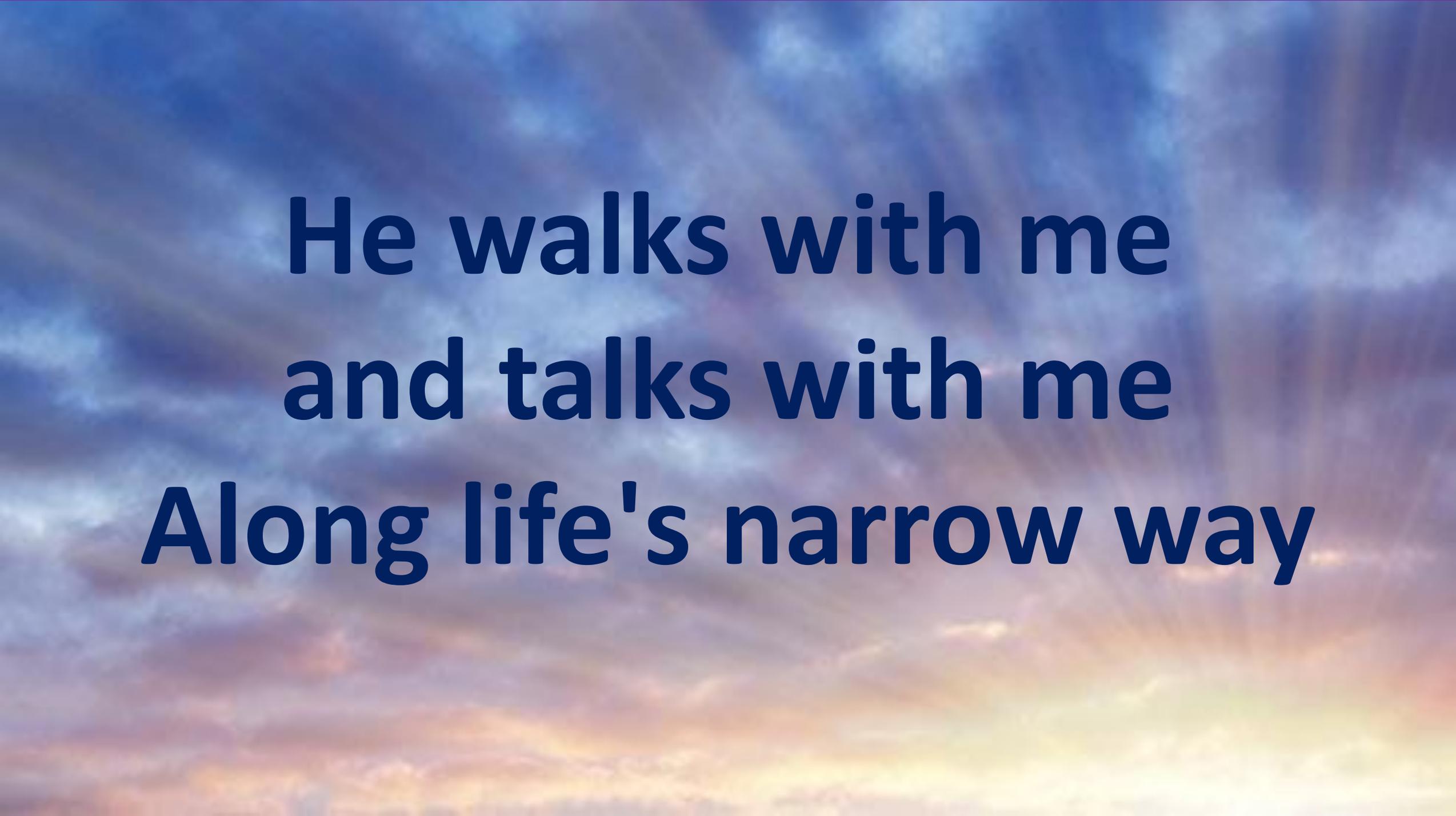
**I never will despair**



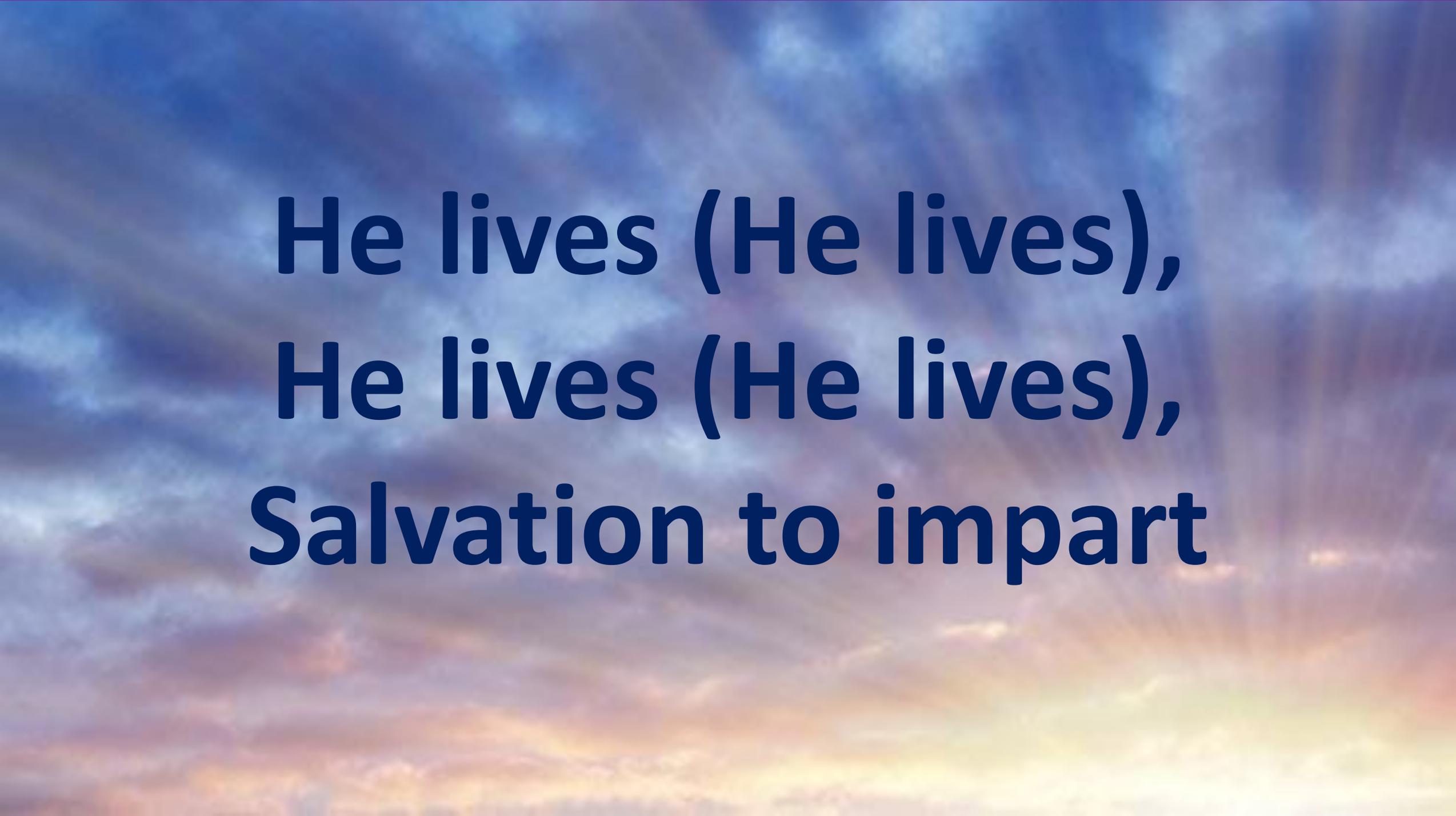
**I know that He is leading,  
through all the stormy blast  
The day of His appearing  
will come at last**



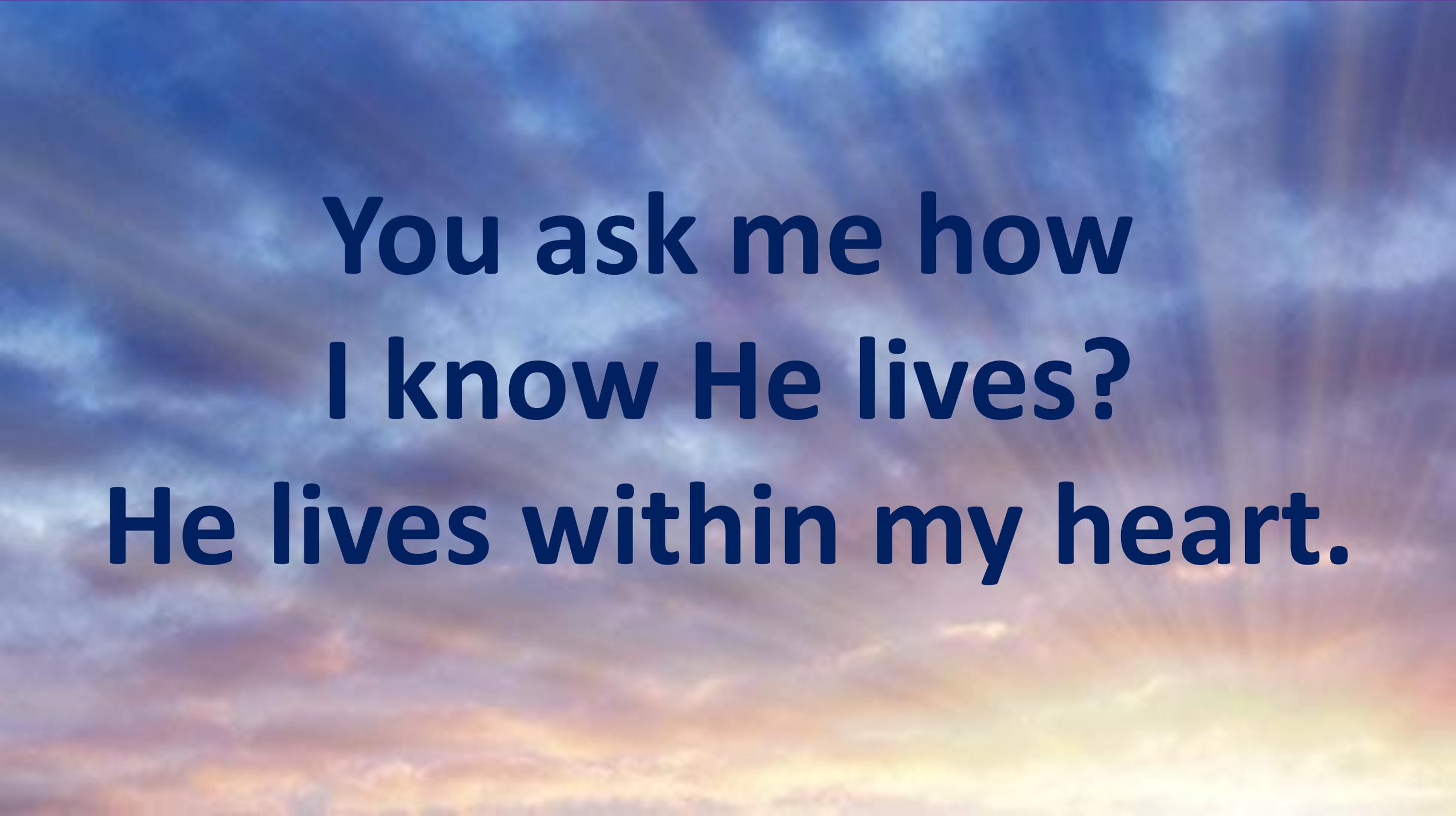
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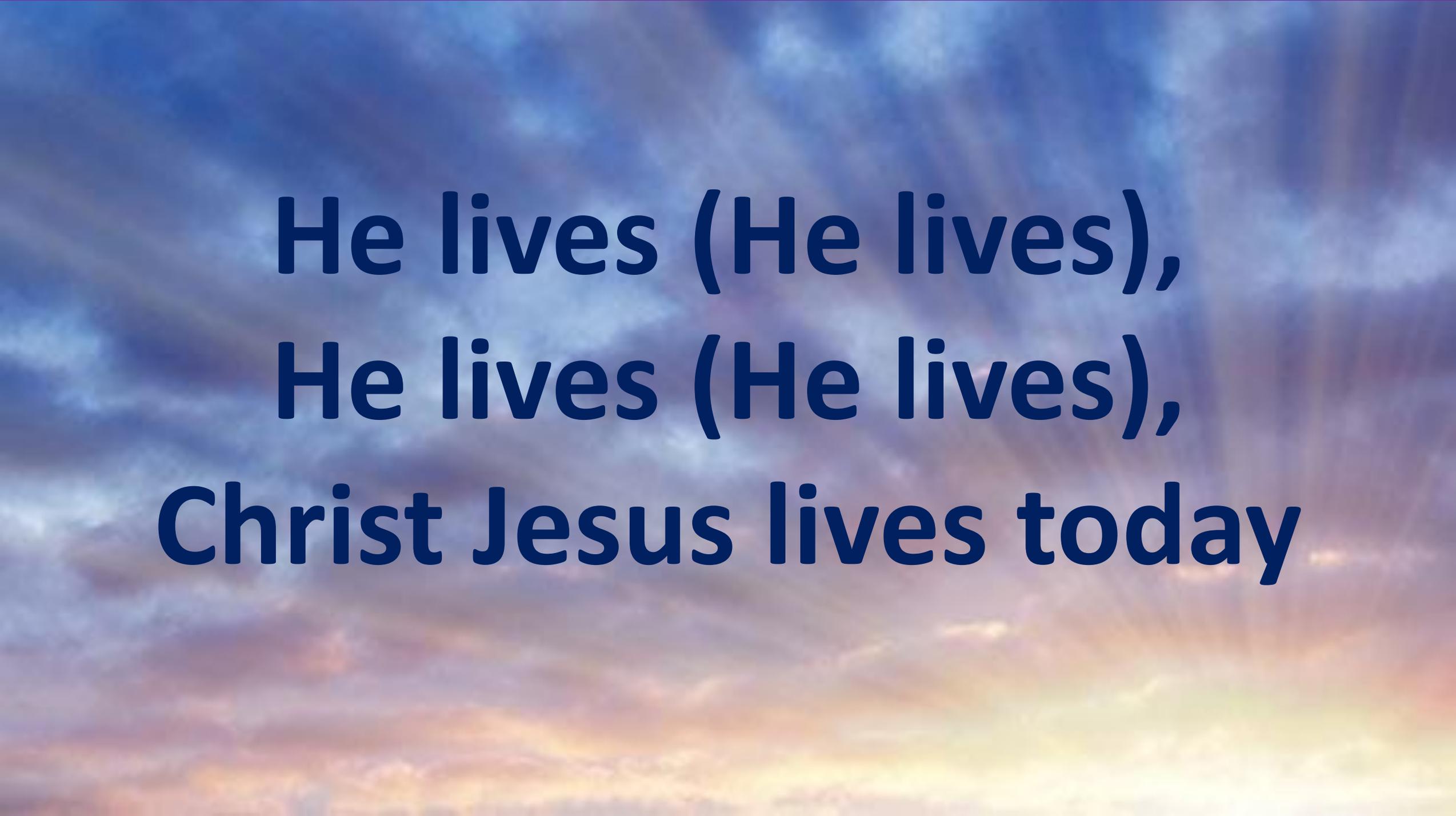
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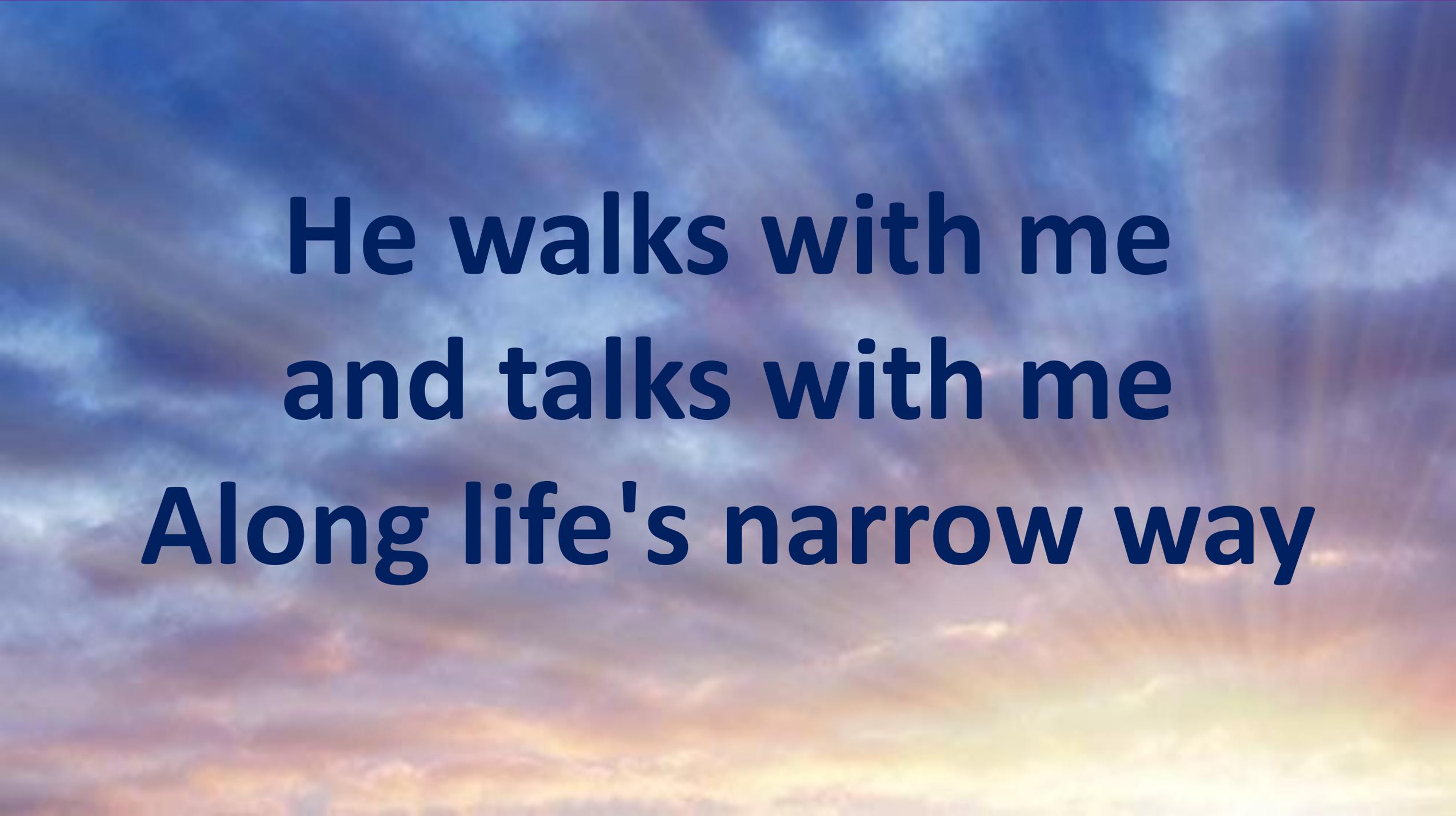
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**Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian  
Lift up your voice and sing  
Eternal hallelujahs  
to Jesus Christ, the King**

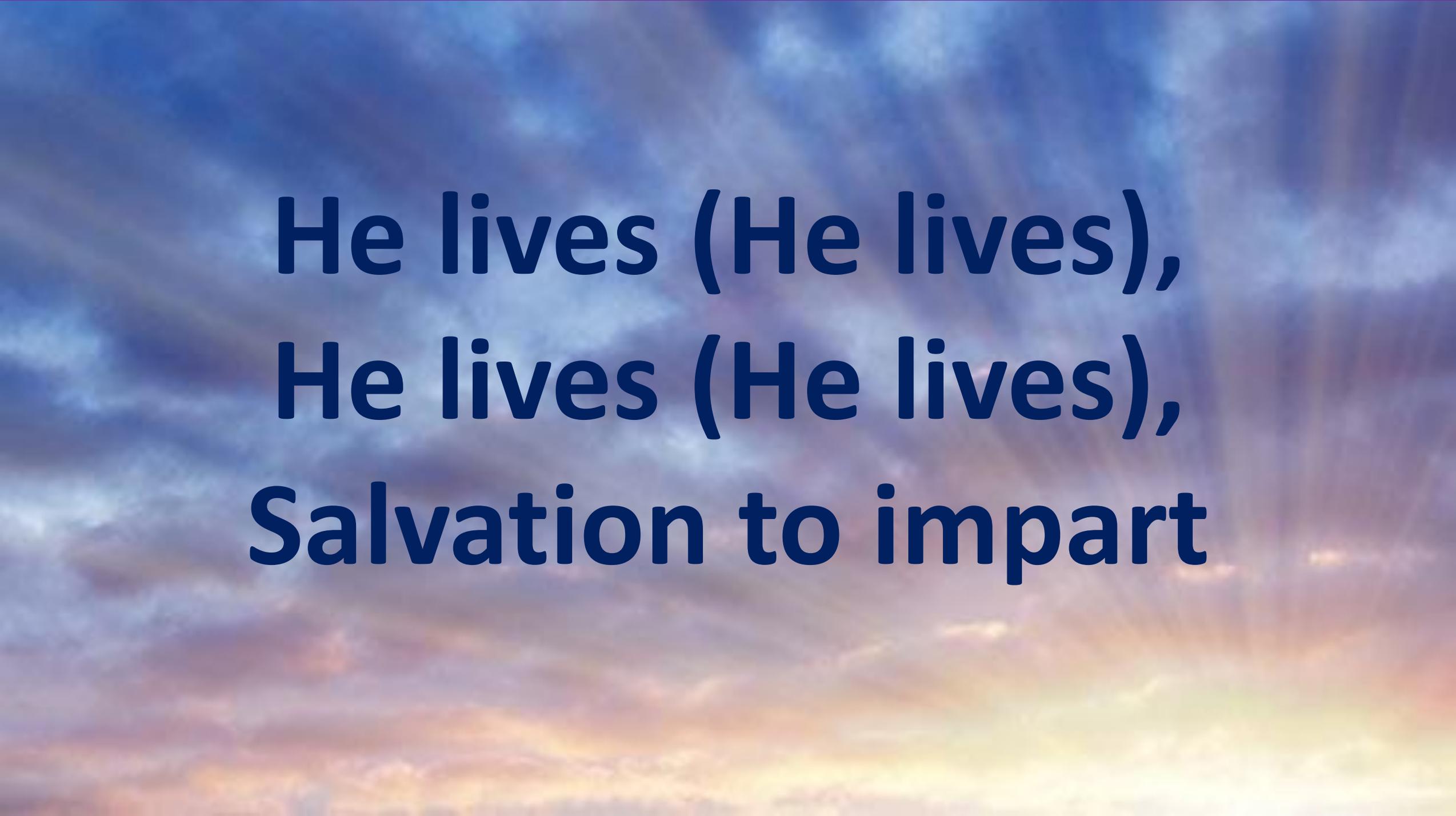
**The Hope of all  
who seek Him,  
the Help of all who find  
None other is so loving,  
so good and kind**



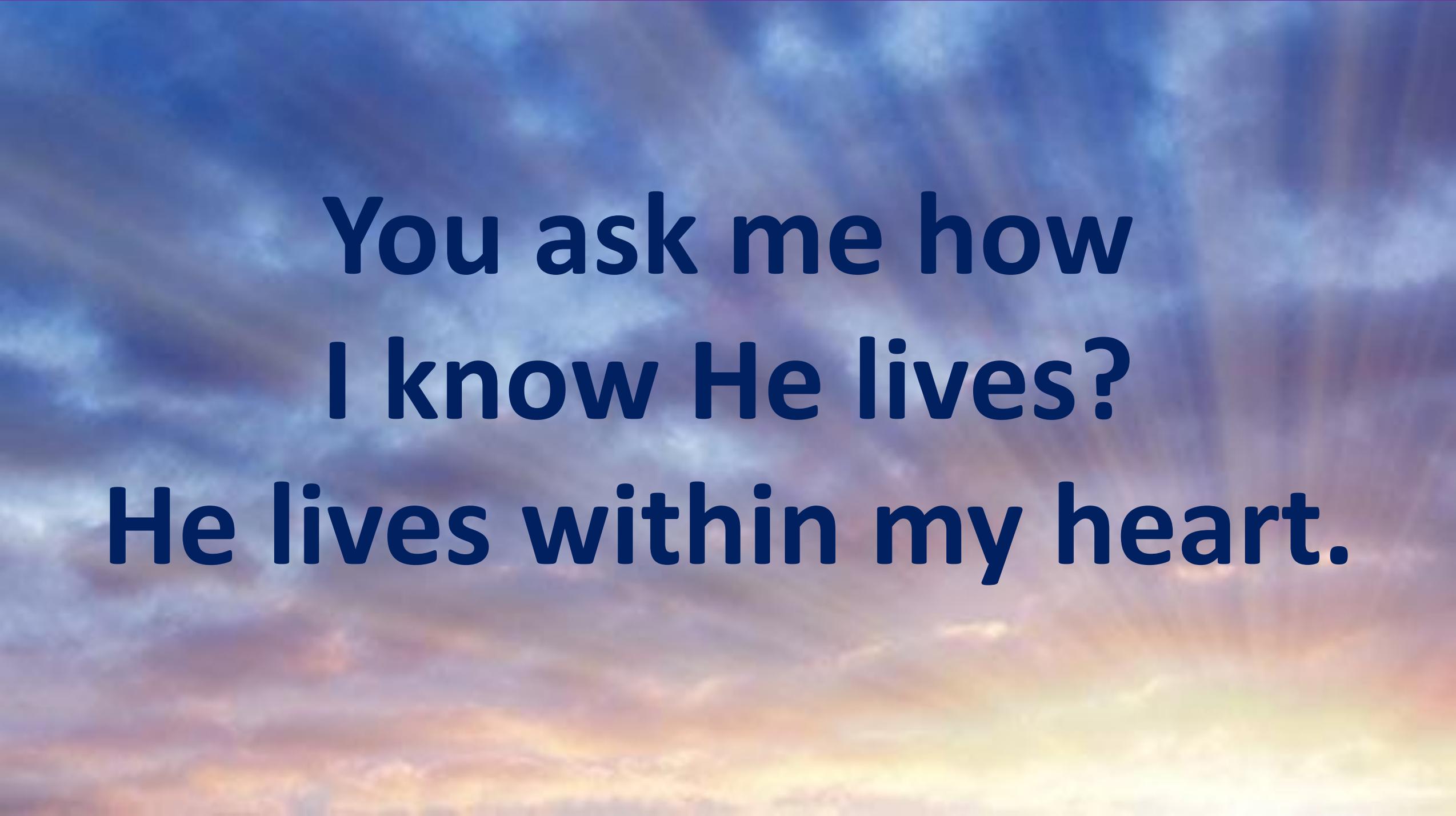
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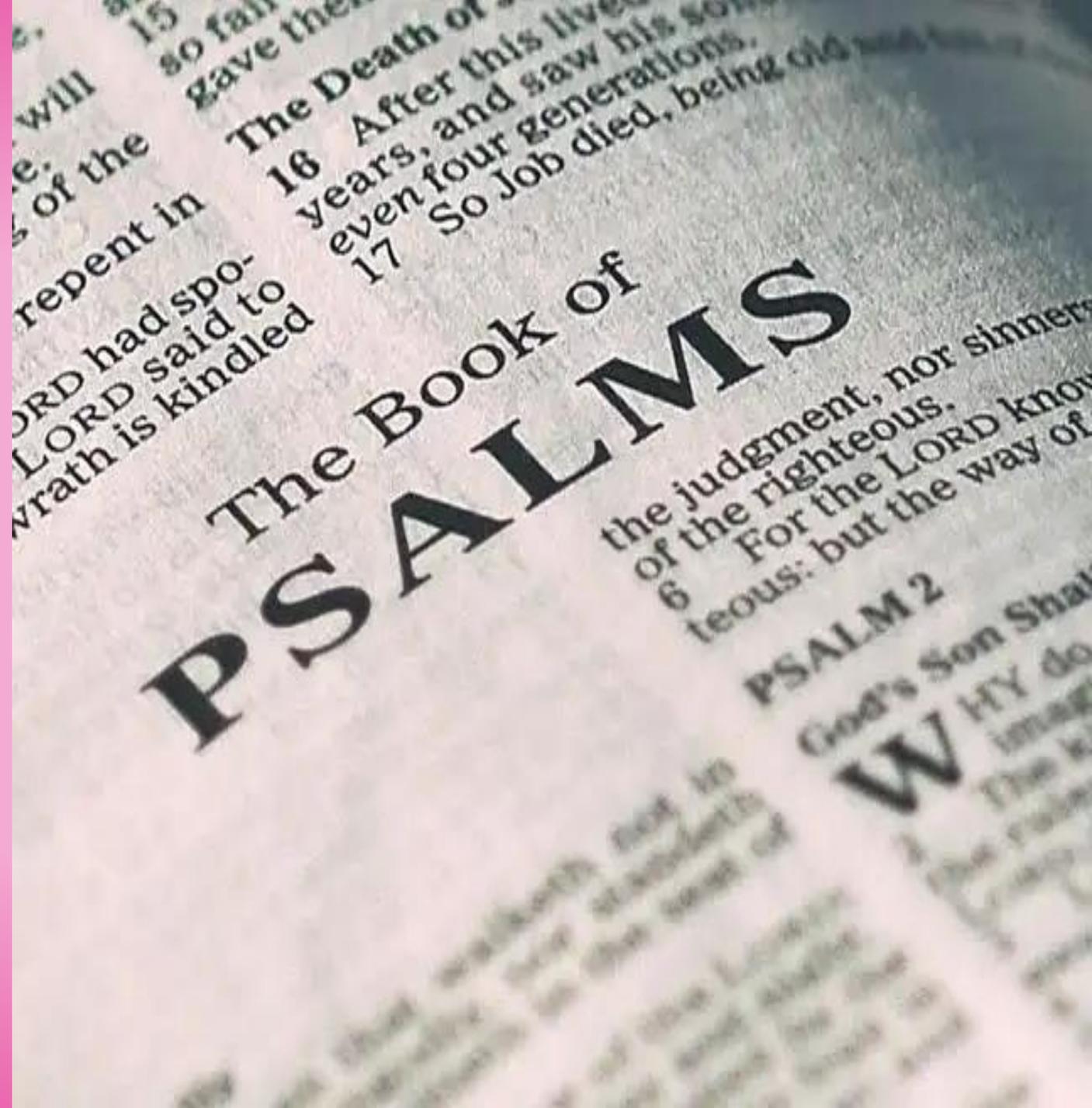


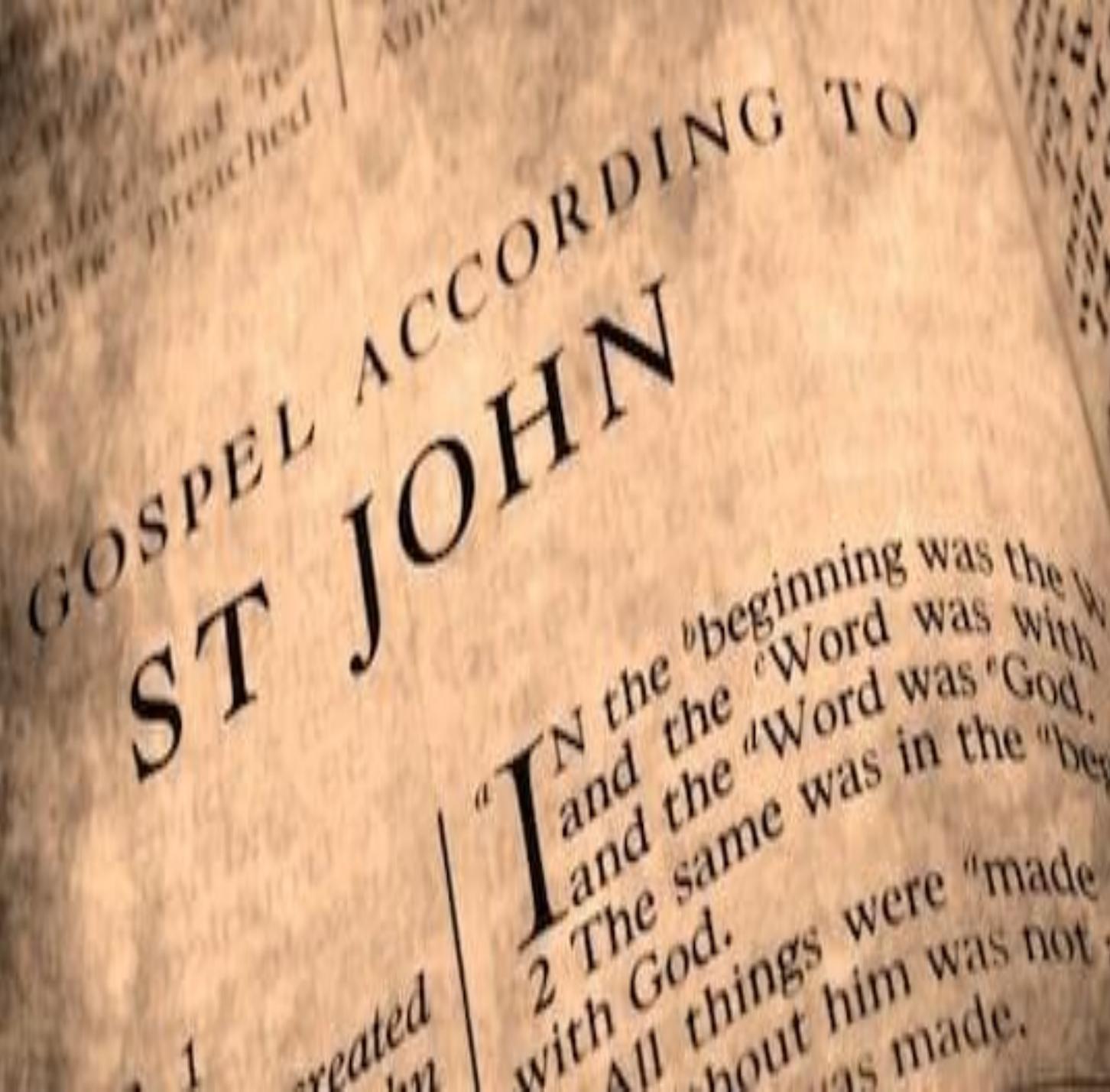
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OLD TESTAMENT:  
PSALM  
98:1-9





NEW  
TESTAMENT:  
JOHN  
15:9-17

A misty landscape with a green field, trees, and a bright sun in the background. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a soft glow and long shadows. The trees are silhouetted against the light, and the mist adds a sense of depth and atmosphere.

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

*UMH #384*

**Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heaven,  
to earth come down;  
fix in us thy humble dwelling;  
all thy faithful mercies crown!**

**Jesus thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation;  
enter every trembling heart.**

**Breathe, O breathe  
thy loving Spirit  
into every troubled breast!  
Let us all in thee inherit;  
let us find that second rest.**

**Take away our bent to sinning;  
Alpha and Omega be;  
end of faith, as its beginning,  
set our hearts at liberty.**

**Come, Almighty to deliver,  
let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return and never,  
nevermore thy temples leave.**

**Thee we would  
be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray and praise  
thee without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.**

**Finish, then, thy new creation;  
pure and spotless let us be.  
Let us see thy great salvation  
perfectly restored in thee;**

**changed from glory into glory,  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast  
our crowns before thee,  
lost in wonder, love, and praise.**

Today's Message

**Love and Joy  
Perfected**

Bob Taylor



A person in a dark jacket stands with their back to the camera, looking out over a vast, sunlit valley. The valley is filled with green trees and a winding road. The sky is bright and hazy. The overall mood is contemplative and hopeful.

# *Standing on the Promises of God*

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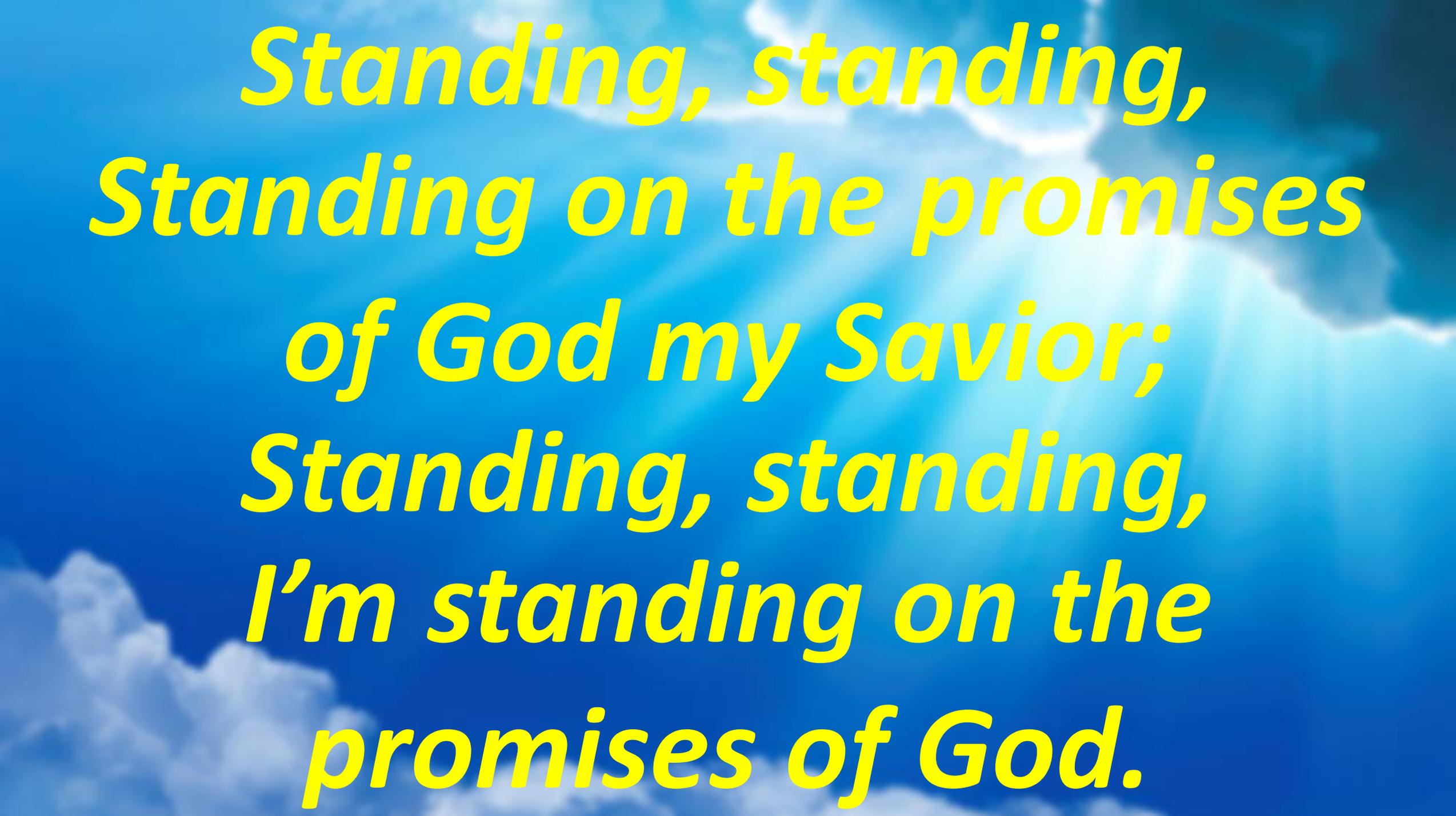
**Standing on the Promises  
#374 UMH**



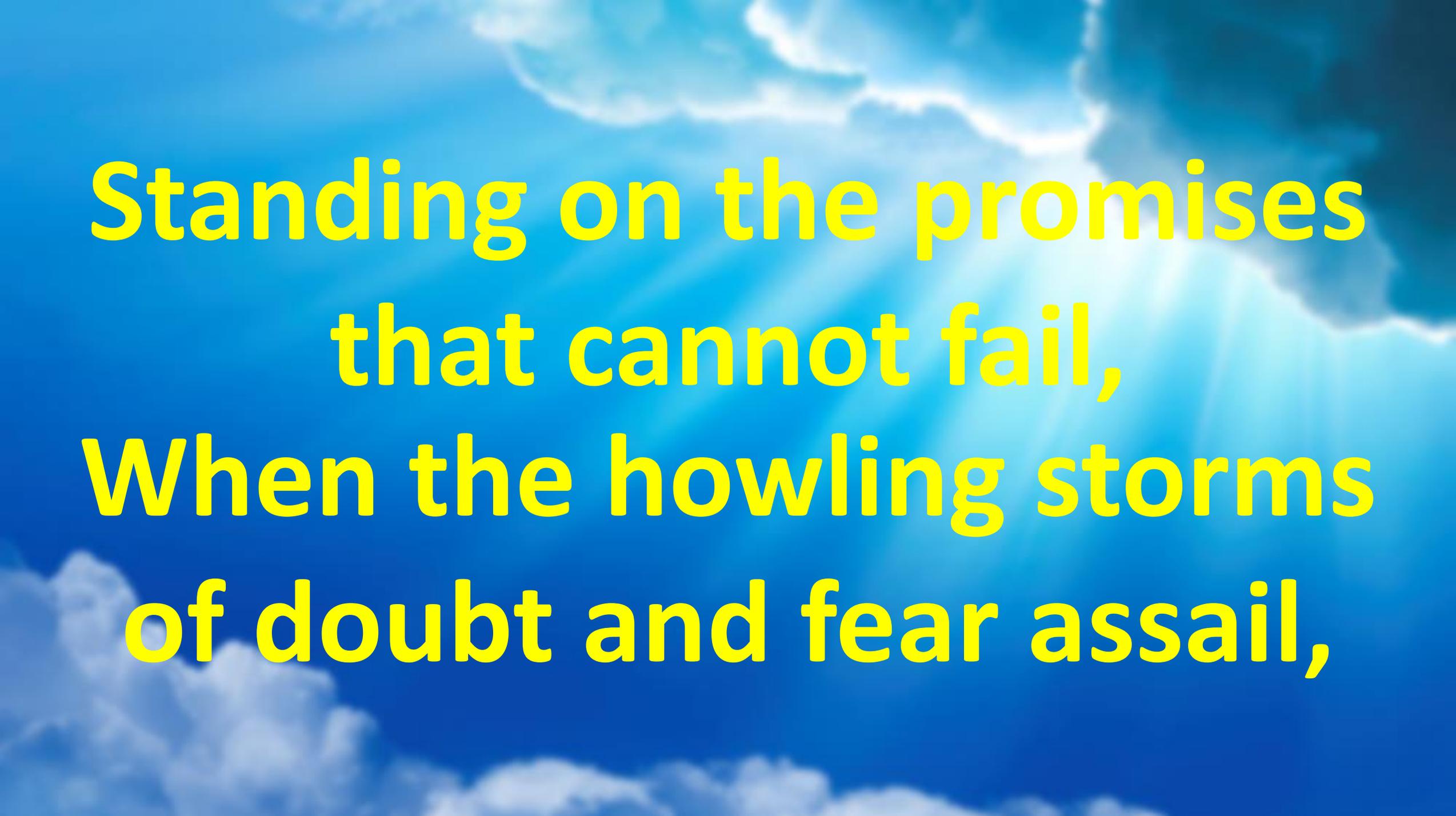
**Standing on the promises  
of Christ my King,  
Through eternal ages  
let His praises ring,**



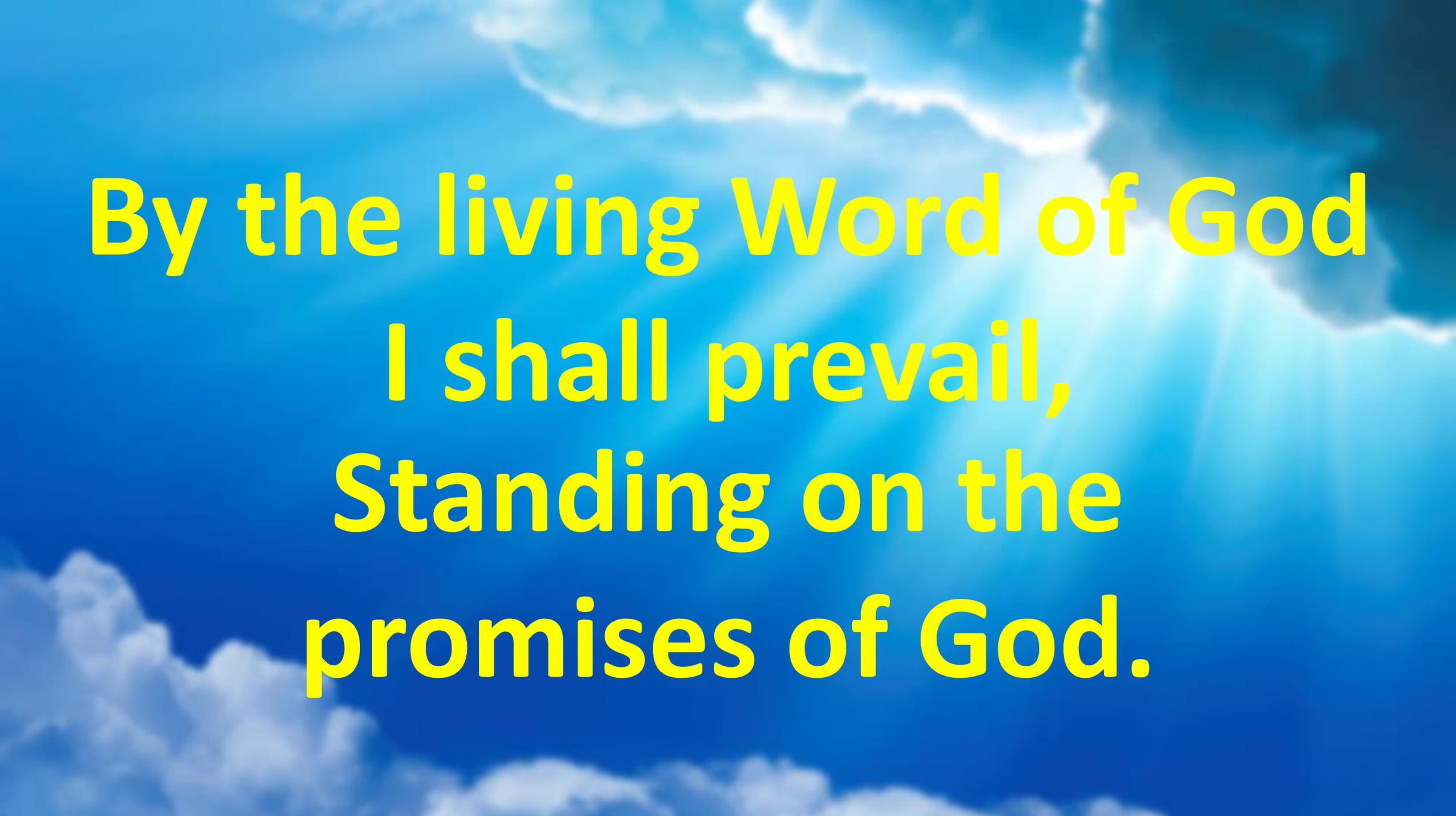
**Glory in the highest,  
I will shout and sing,  
Standing on the  
promises of God.**



*Standing, standing,  
Standing on the promises  
of God my Savior;  
Standing, standing,  
I'm standing on the  
promises of God.*

The background of the image is a vibrant blue sky filled with soft, white, fluffy clouds. Sunlight rays are visible, emanating from behind the clouds, creating a bright and hopeful atmosphere. The text is centered and written in a bold, yellow, sans-serif font.

**Standing on the promises  
that cannot fail,  
When the howling storms  
of doubt and fear assail,**



**By the living Word of God  
I shall prevail,  
Standing on the  
promises of God.**

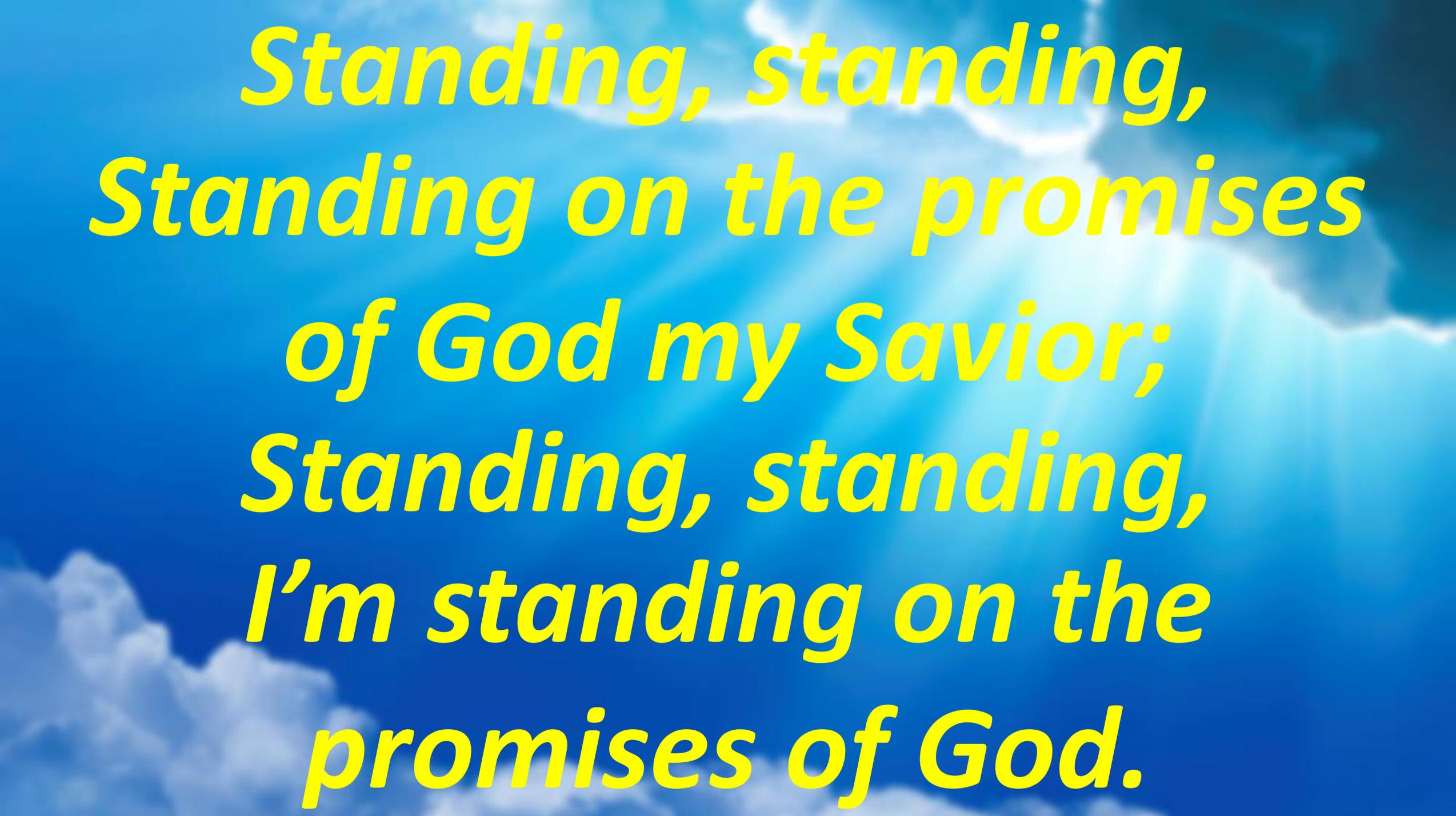
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**Standing on the promises  
of Christ the Lord,  
Bound to Him eternally  
by love's strong cord,**



**Overcoming daily with  
the Spirit's sword,  
Standing on the  
promises of God.**



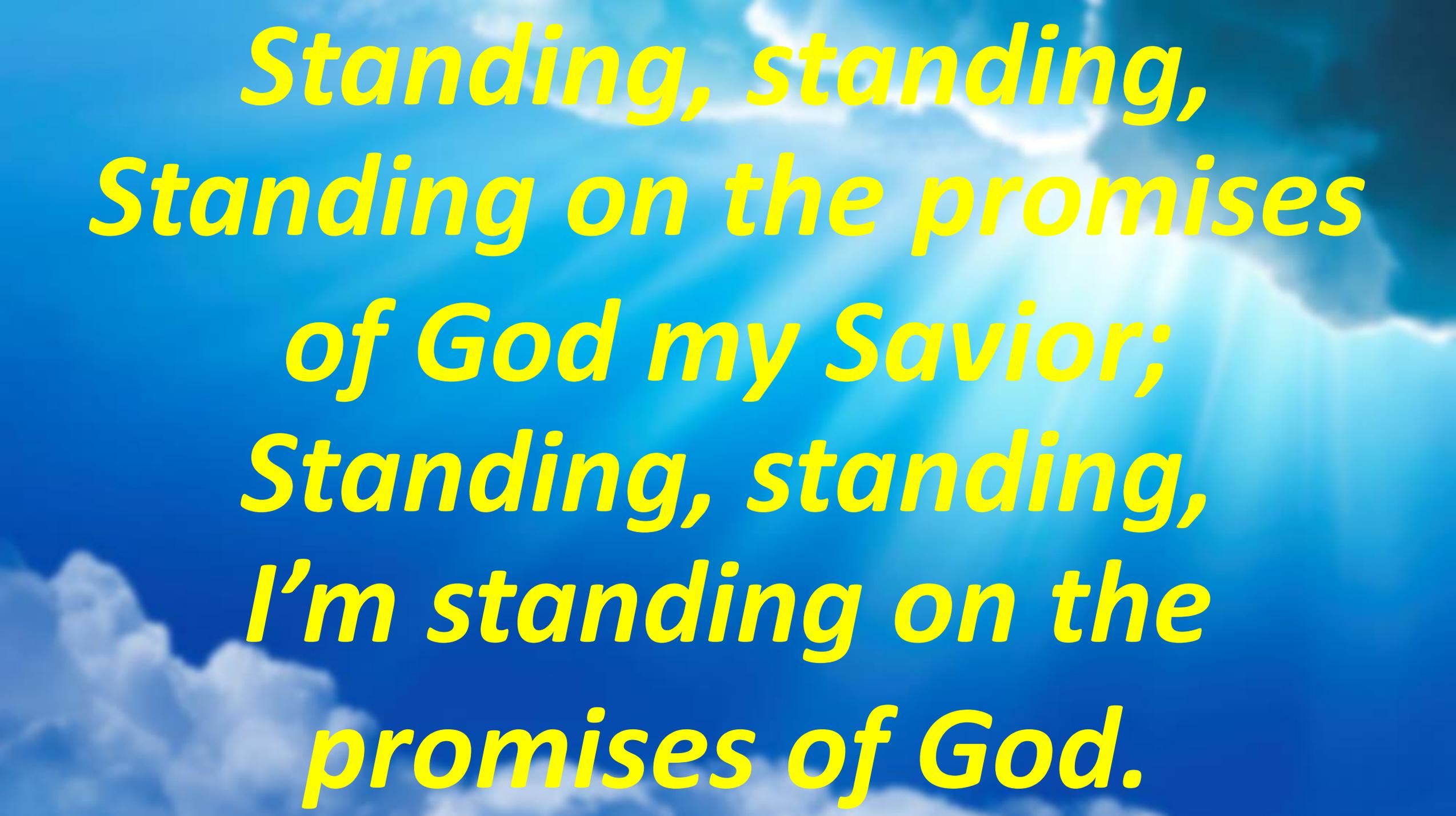
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**Standing on the promises  
I cannot fall,  
Listening every moment  
to the Spirit's call**



**Resting in my Savior  
as my all in all,  
Standing on the  
promises of God.**



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**BENEDICTION &  
GOD'S BLESSING**

**2 Corinthians 13:14**

There's Just

*Something*  
*about that*

**GOD**  
ELOHIM  
EMMANUEL  
SHEPHERD  
YHWH  
KING  
of kings  
HOLY  
SPIRIT

JEHOVAH  
JIREH  
**EL**  
**ROI**  
CREATOR  
GOD WHO SEES  
LAMB OF GOD  
ADVOCATE  
WONDERFUL  
COUNSELOR  
SON of  
MAN

EL OLAM  
EVERLASTING  
**FATHER**  
JEHOVAH  
JEHOVAH  
SHAMMAH  
MESSIAH  
LION of  
JUDAH  
**ABBA**  
SON of  
GOD

JEHOVAH  
SHALOM  
PRINCE  
of PEACE  
**RABBI**  
CHRIST

SAVIOR  
**LORD**  
LIVING  
**EL**  
GOD  
EIJON  
GOD  
MOST  
HIGH  
GOD OF  
ANGEL  
ARMIES

**I AM**  
**ADONAI**  
BRIGHT  
JEHOVAH  
RAPHA  
HEALER  
STAR  
WORSHIP  
REDEEMER  
DAVID LOGOS  
HOLY ONE  
LIVING  
WORD  
JEHOVAH  
NISSI  
VICOTRY

ALPHA AND OMEGA  
BEGINNING AND END  
BREAD  
OF LIFE  
**JESUS**  
THE  
WAY  
OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS  
**SHADDAI**

#171 UMH

Psalm 23

# Jesus, Jesus, Jesus!



# There's just something about that name!

# Master, Savior, Jesus!



Like the fragrance after the  
rain.

# Jesus, Jesus, Jesus!



# Let all Heaven and earth proclaim:

**Kings and kingdoms  
will all pass away,**



**But there's something  
about that name!**

Love Never Fails!

Thank God

for that!