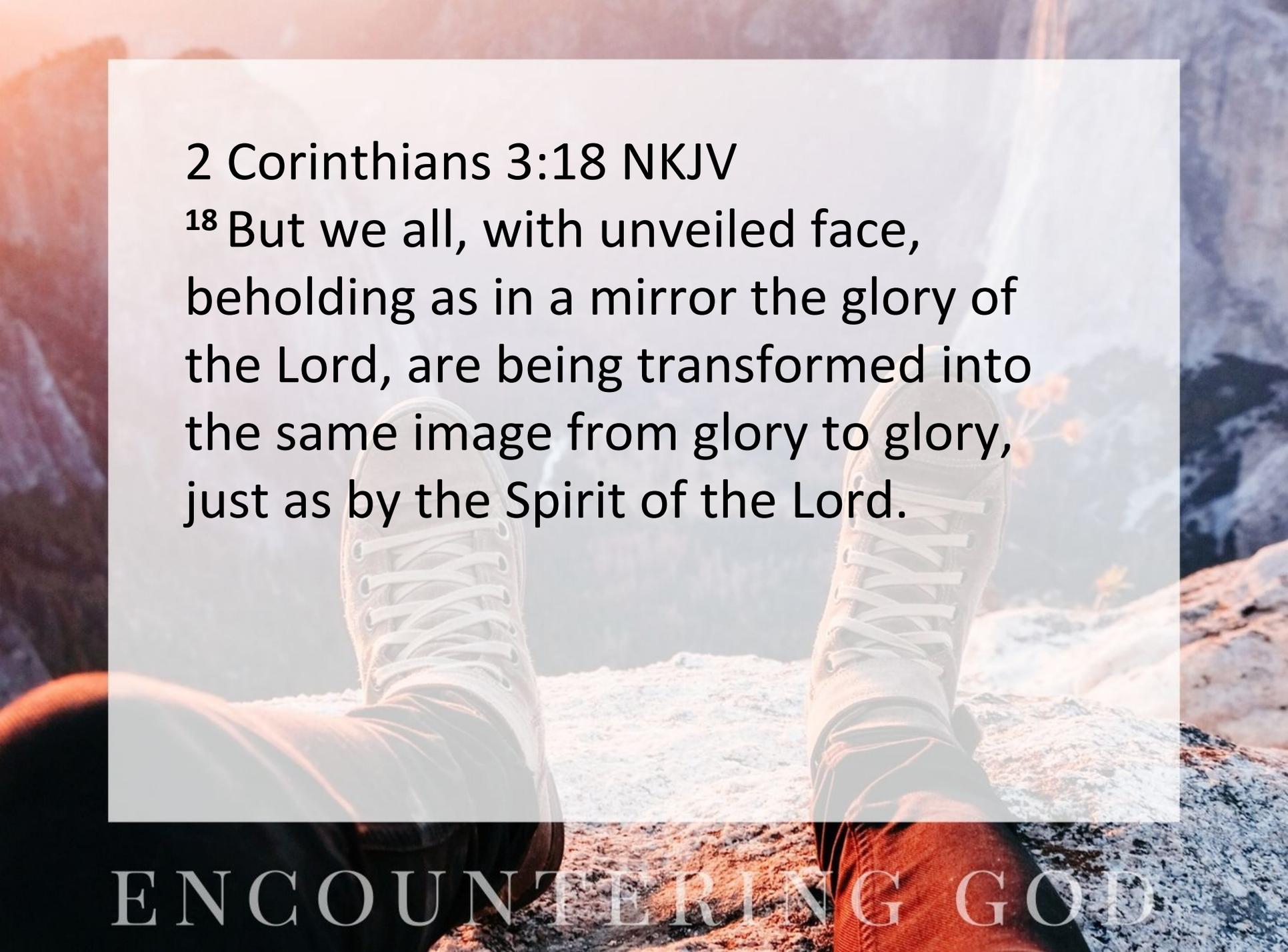


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A SERIES ON WORSHIP

Week 4





2 Corinthians 3:18 NKJV

¹⁸ But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

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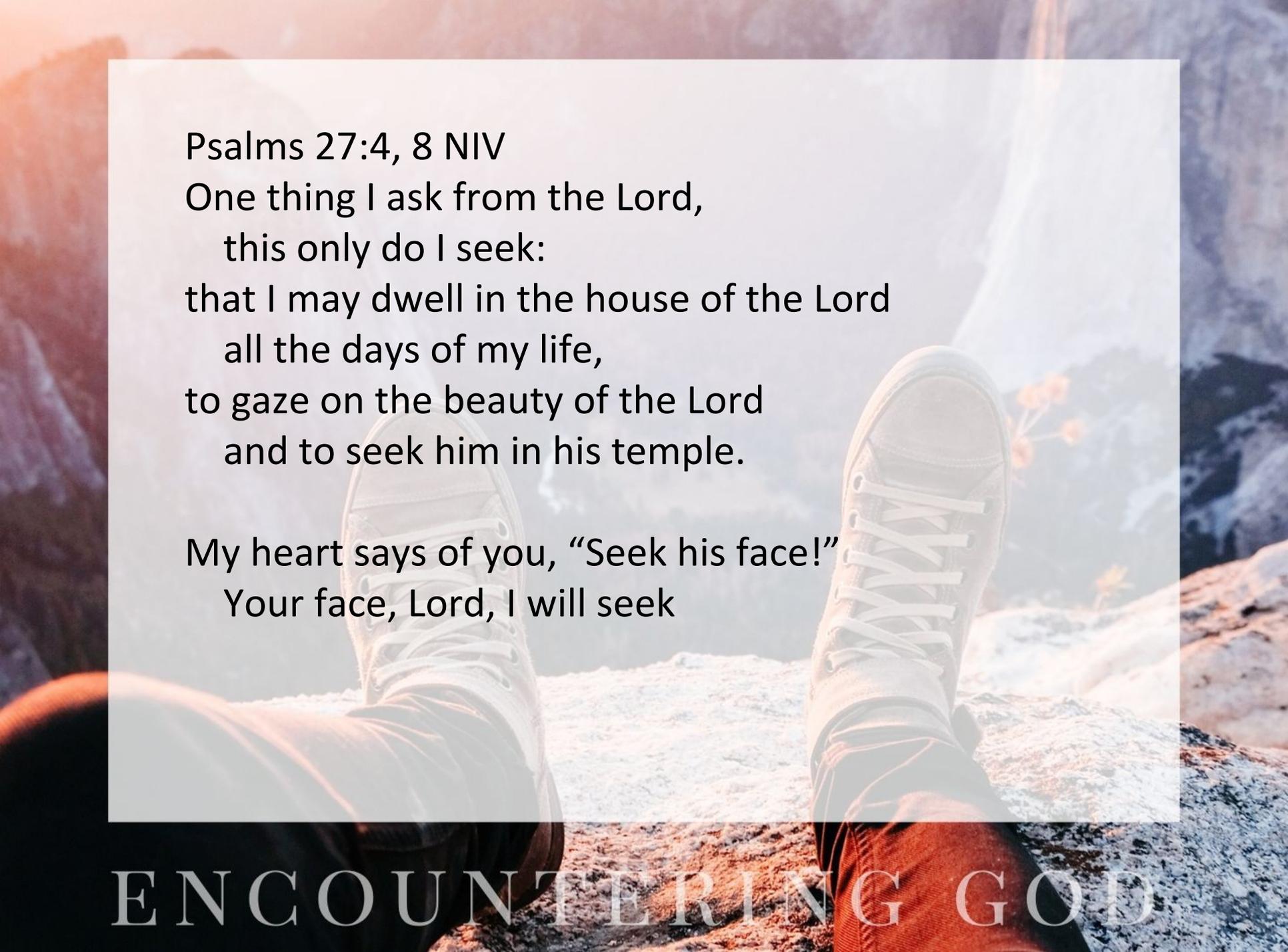


Worship is beholding God-
beholding as in a mirror.

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I. Having a desire to behold God.

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Psalms 27:4, 8 NIV

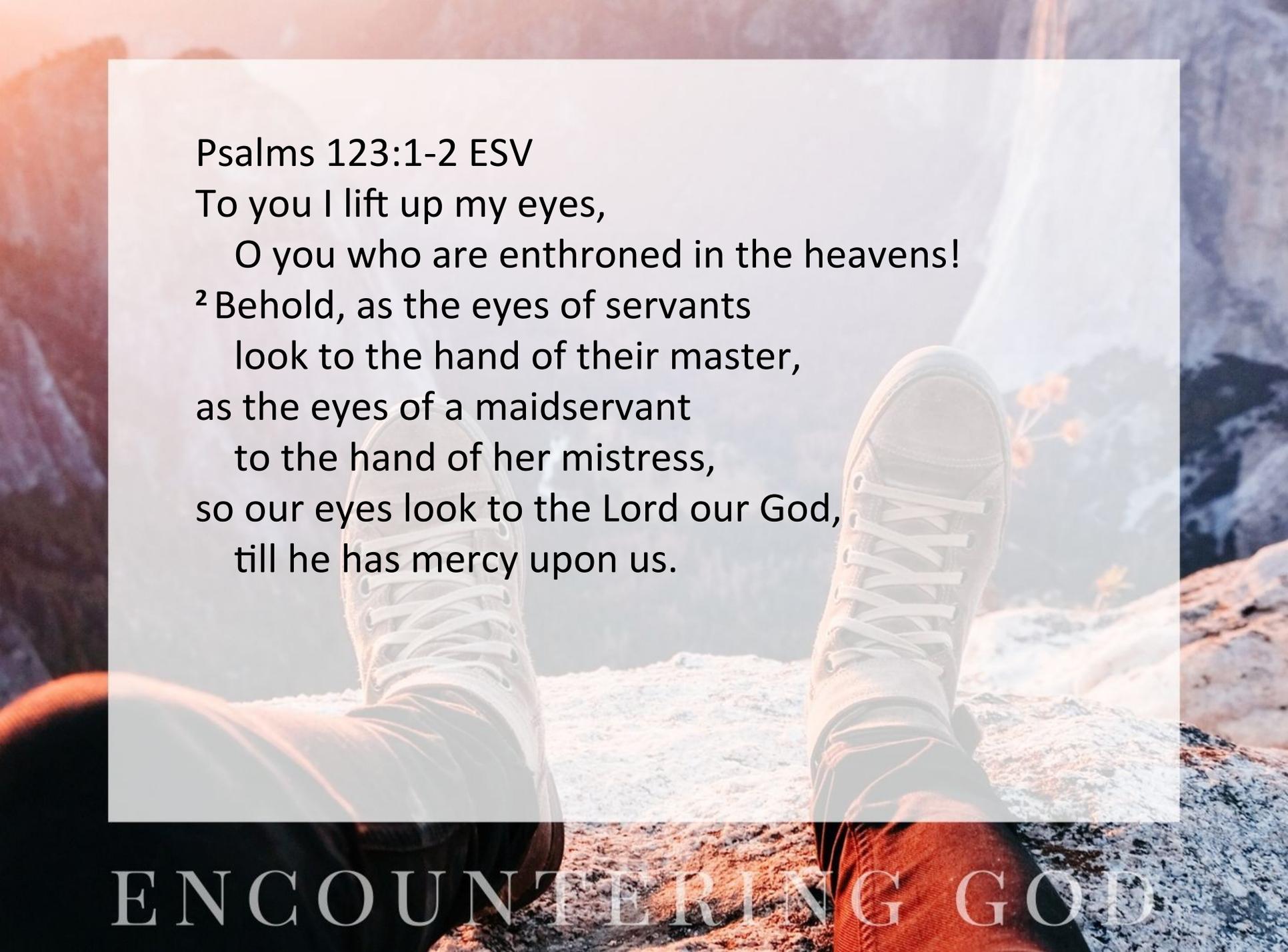
One thing I ask from the Lord,
this only do I seek:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life,
to gaze on the beauty of the Lord
and to seek him in his temple.

My heart says of you, “Seek his face!”
Your face, Lord, I will seek

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II. Beholding God.

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Psalms 123:1-2 ESV

To you I lift up my eyes,

O you who are enthroned in the heavens!

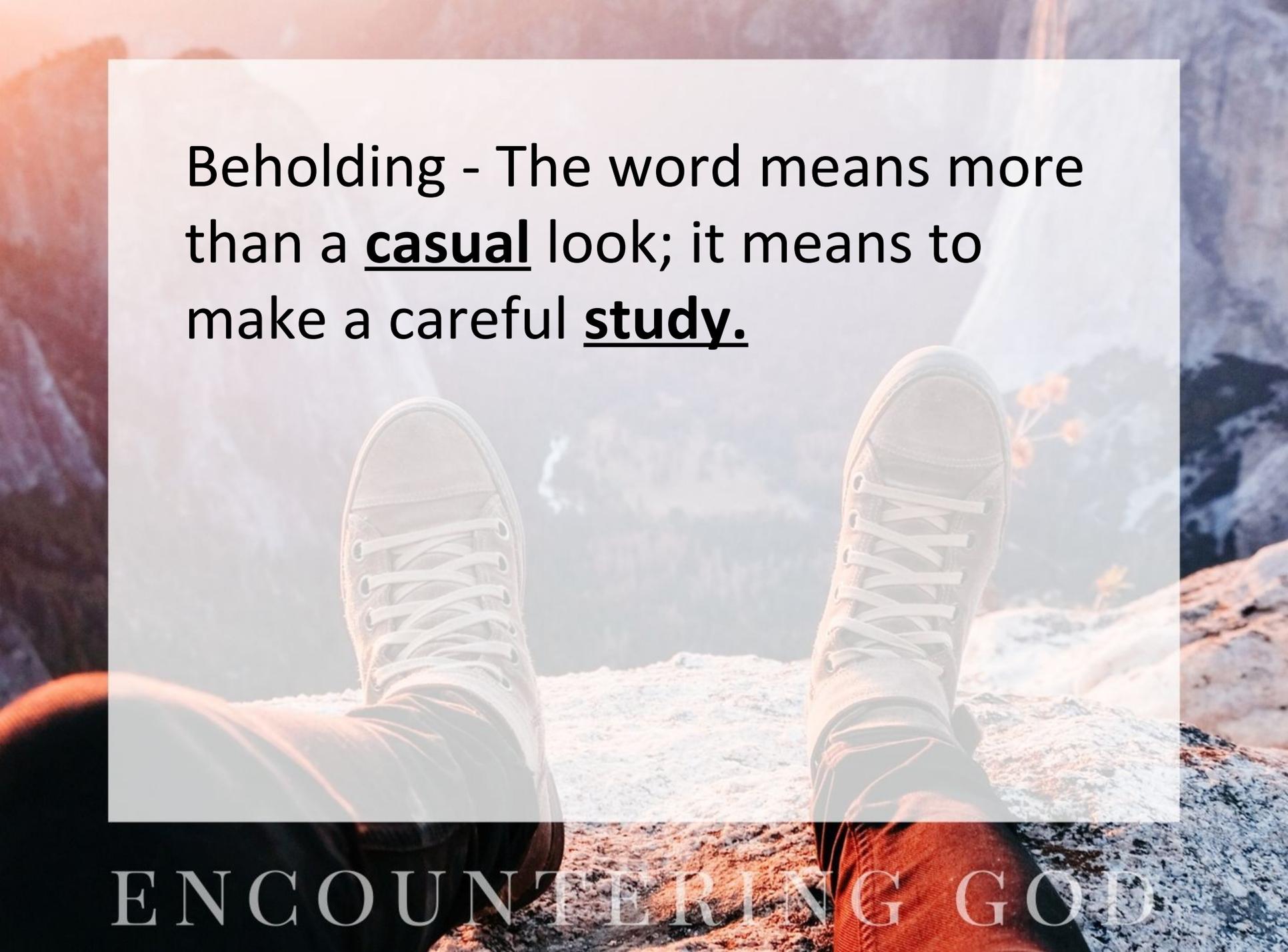
² Behold, as the eyes of servants

look to the hand of their master,
as the eyes of a maidservant

to the hand of her mistress,

so our eyes look to the Lord our God,
till he has mercy upon us.

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A first-person perspective shot of someone sitting on a rocky ledge. Their feet, wearing brown sneakers with white laces, are the central focus. The background is a vast, hazy landscape with mountains and a bright sky, suggesting a high-altitude or mountainous setting. The overall mood is contemplative and serene.

Beholding - The word means more than a casual look; it means to make a careful study.

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III. Polishing our Mirror.

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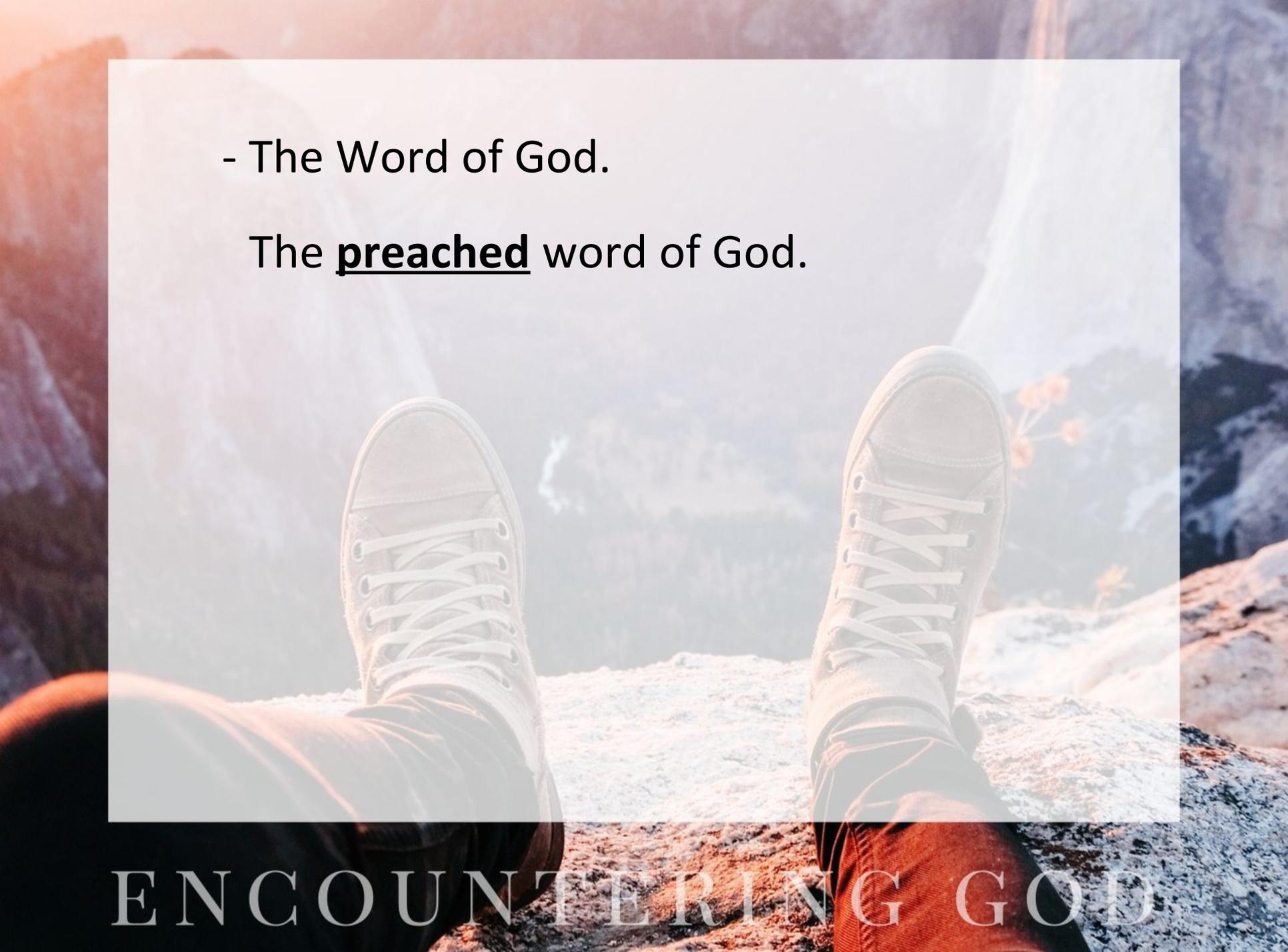
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Ways the Holy Spirit helps us **polish** our mirrors so our vision of God is clear and sharp.

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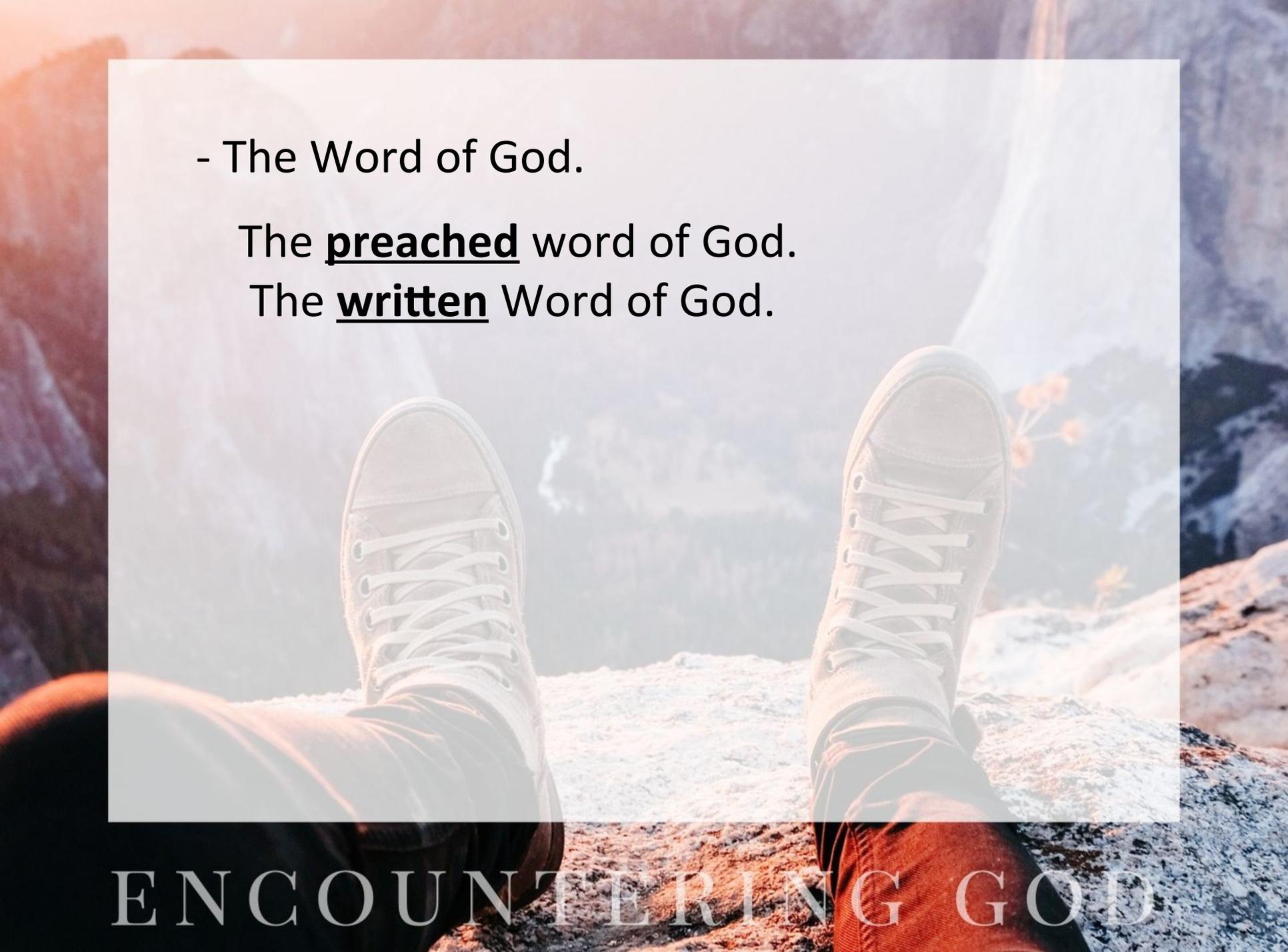
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- The Word of God.

The preached word of God.

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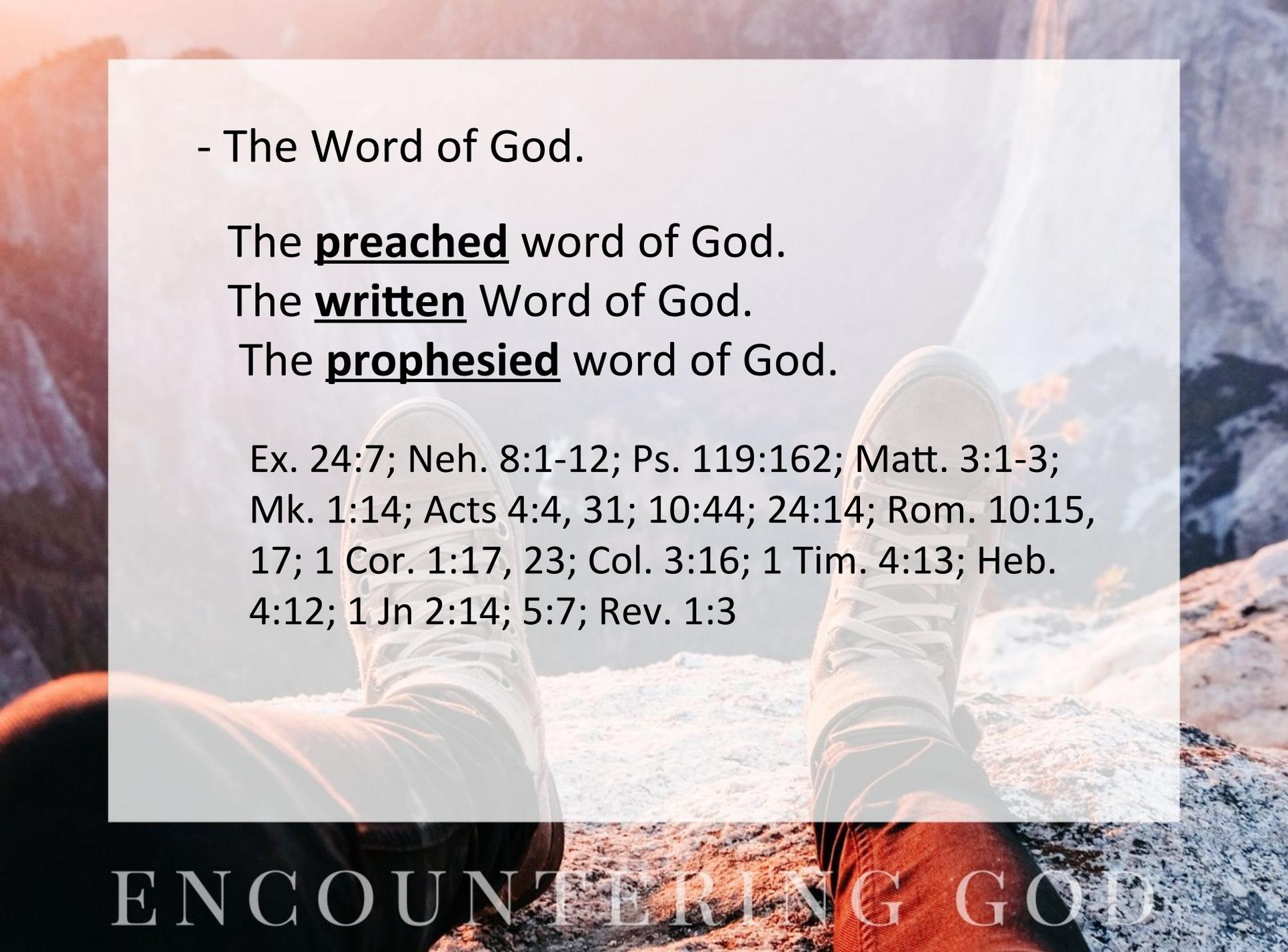
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The **preached** word of God.

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Ex. 24:7; Neh. 8:1-12; Ps. 119:162; Matt. 3:1-3;
Mk. 1:14; Acts 4:4, 31; 10:44; 24:14; Rom. 10:15,
17; 1 Cor. 1:17, 23; Col. 3:16; 1 Tim. 4:13; Heb.
4:12; 1 Jn 2:14; 5:7; Rev. 1:3

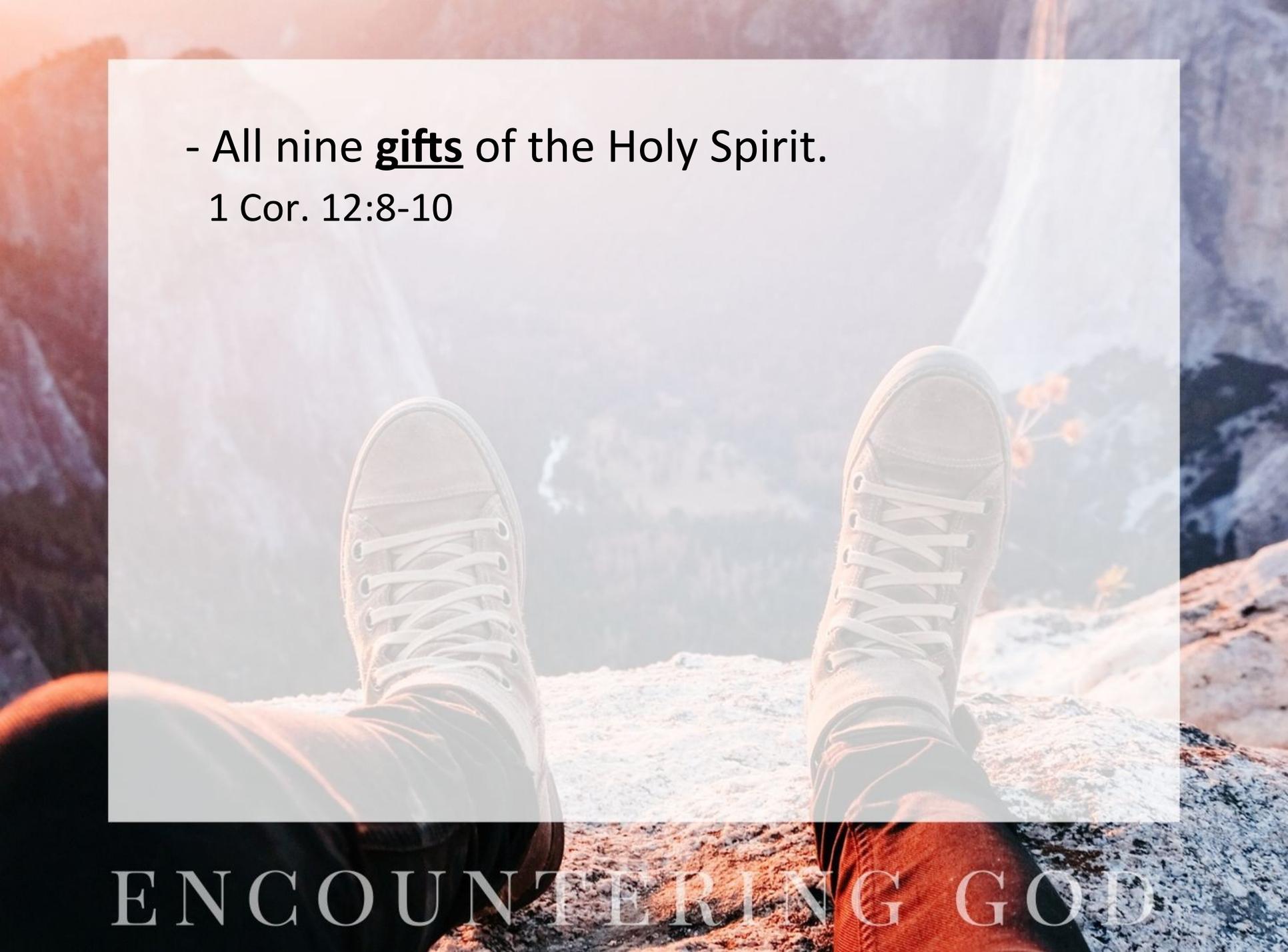
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- The service, communion and fellowship.

Acts 2:42-47; 4:32-35; 20:7, 11; 1 Cor. 10:16;
11:23-26; 14:26

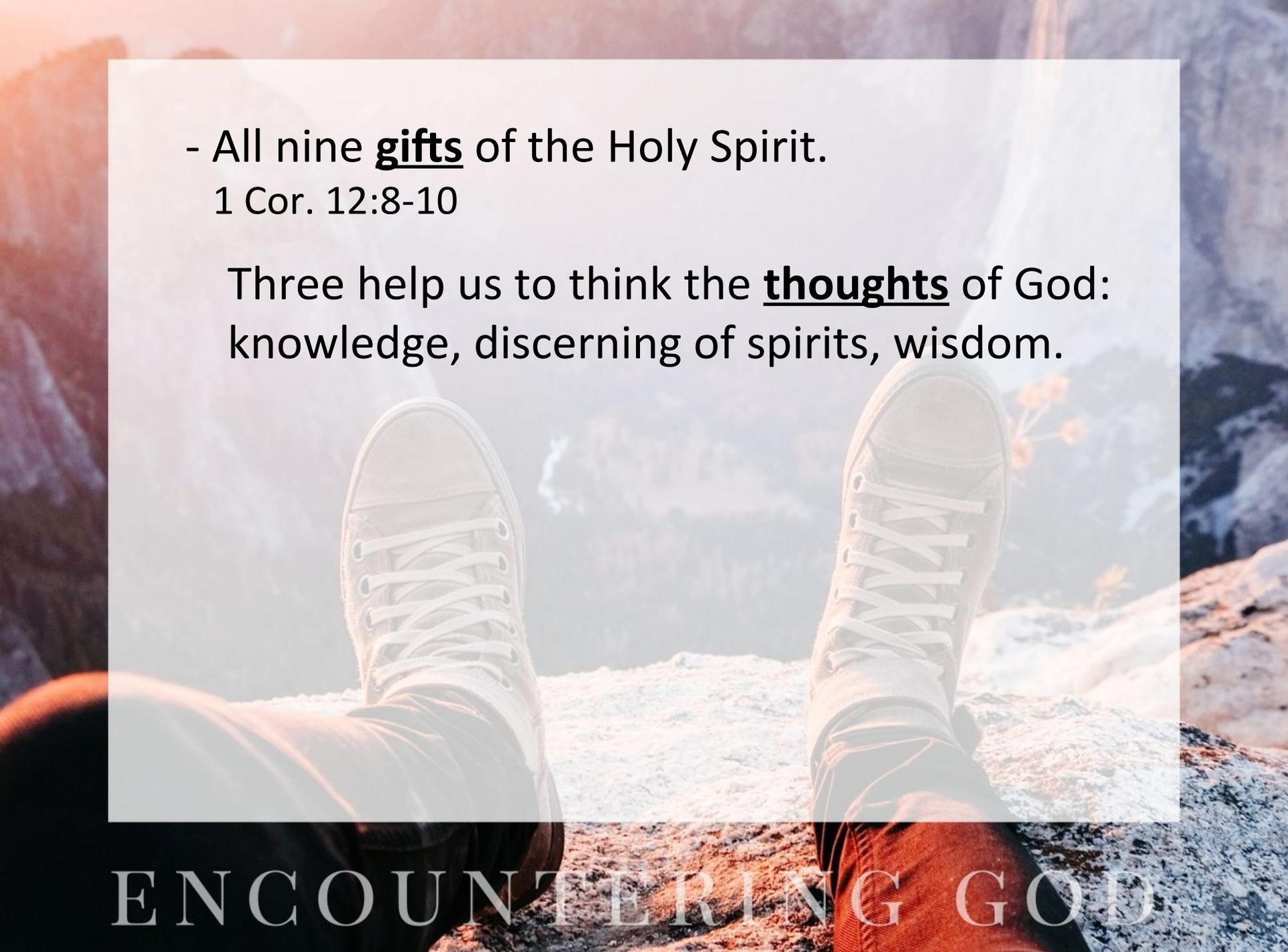
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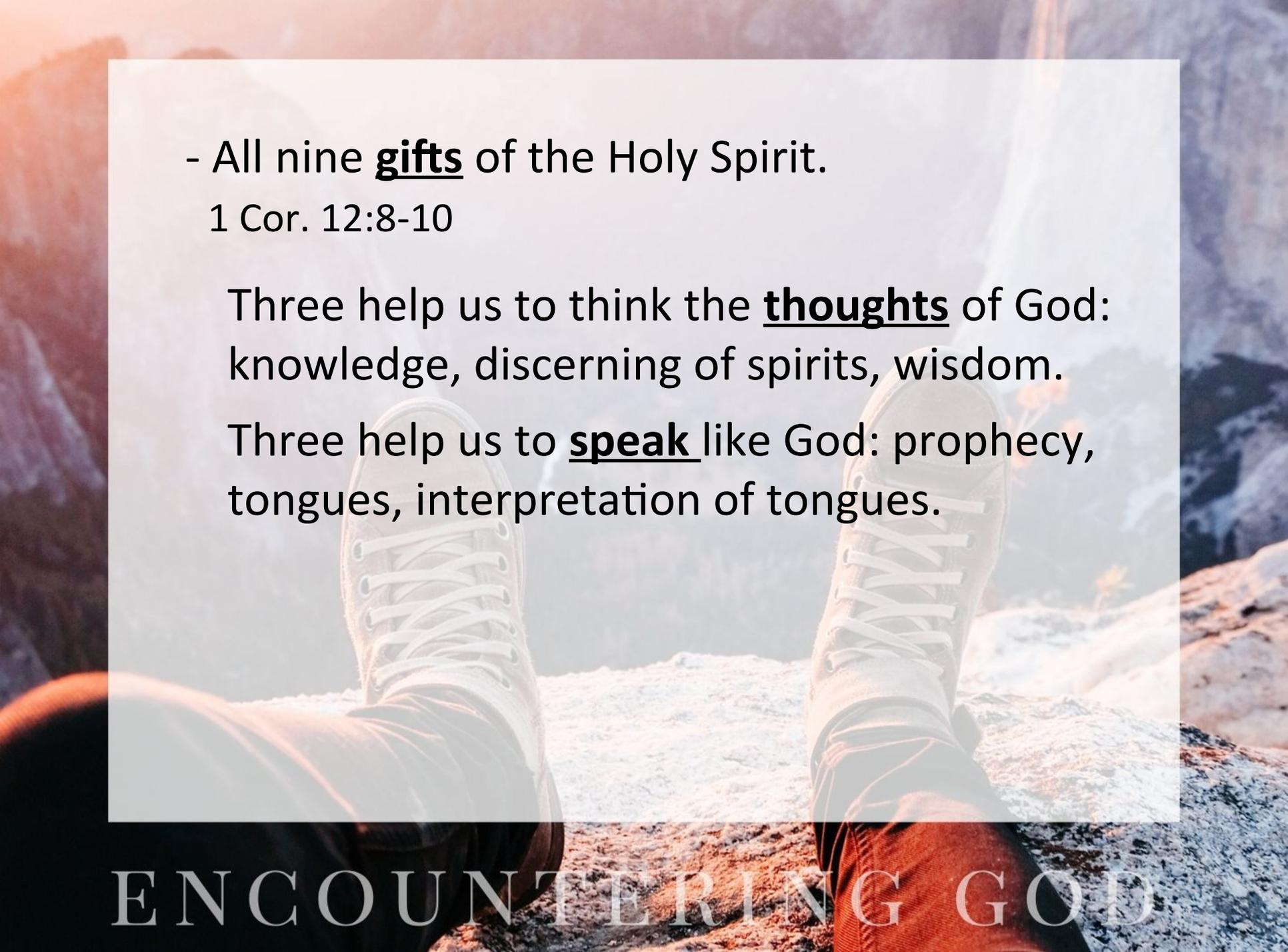
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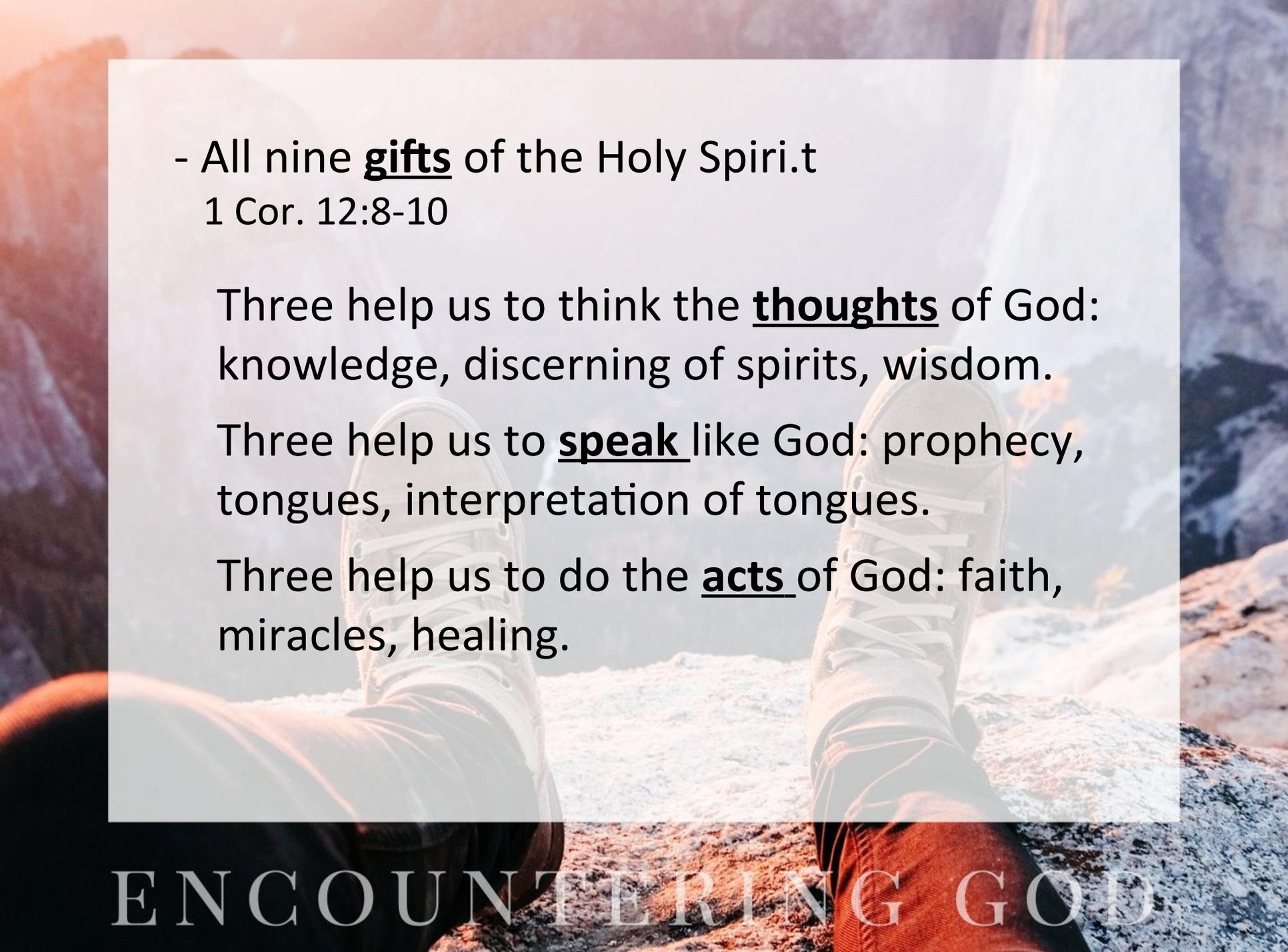
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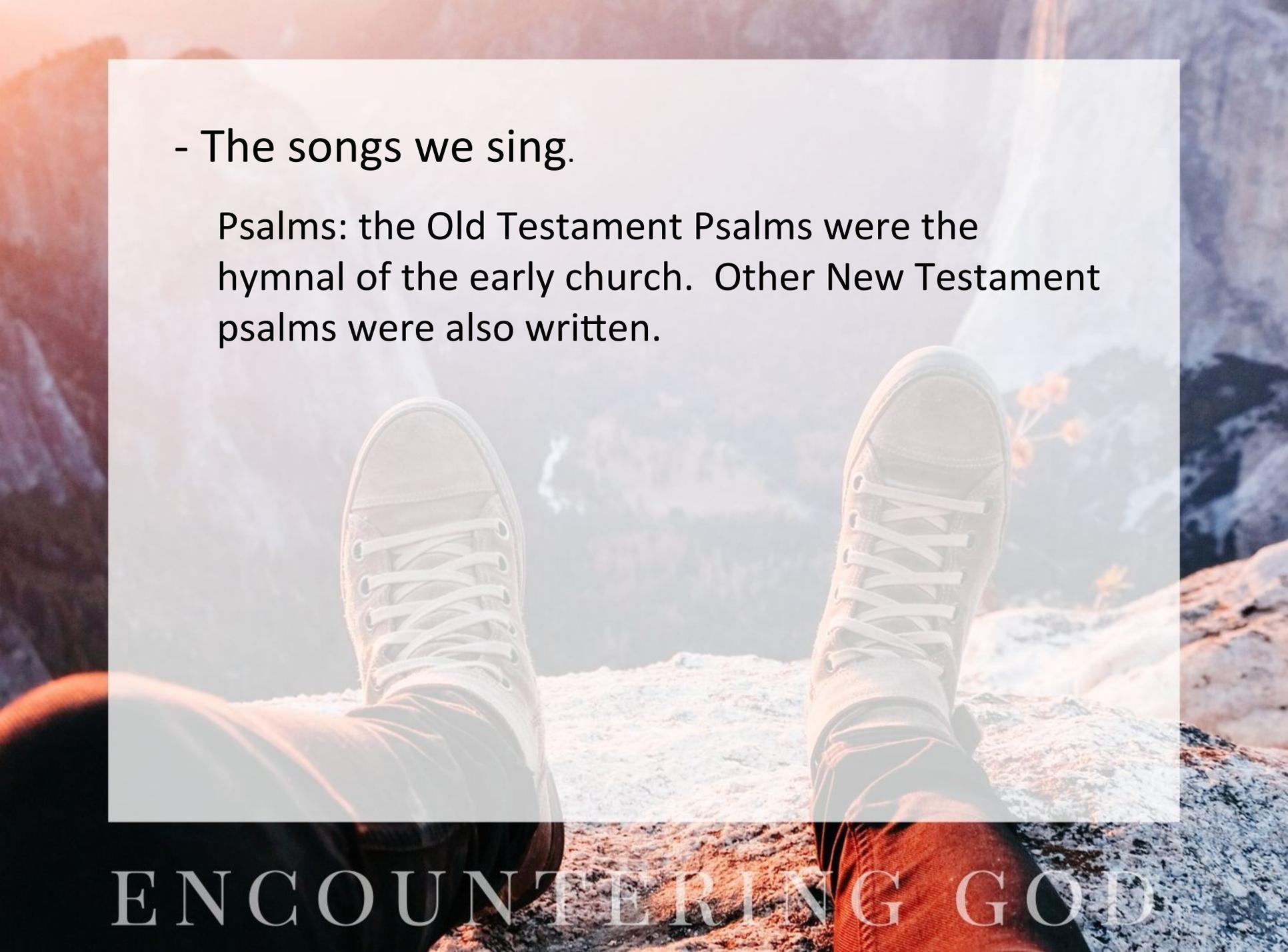
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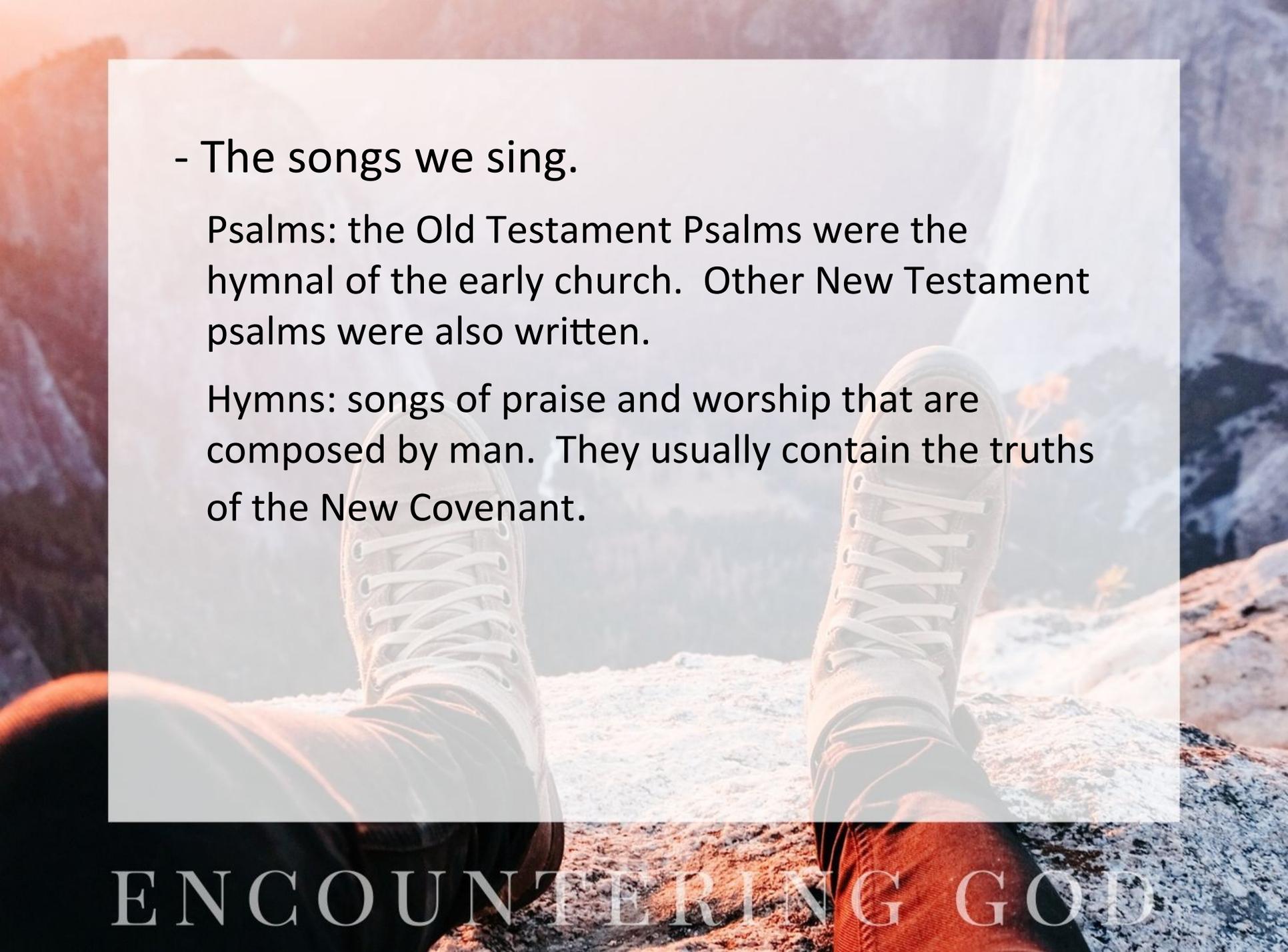
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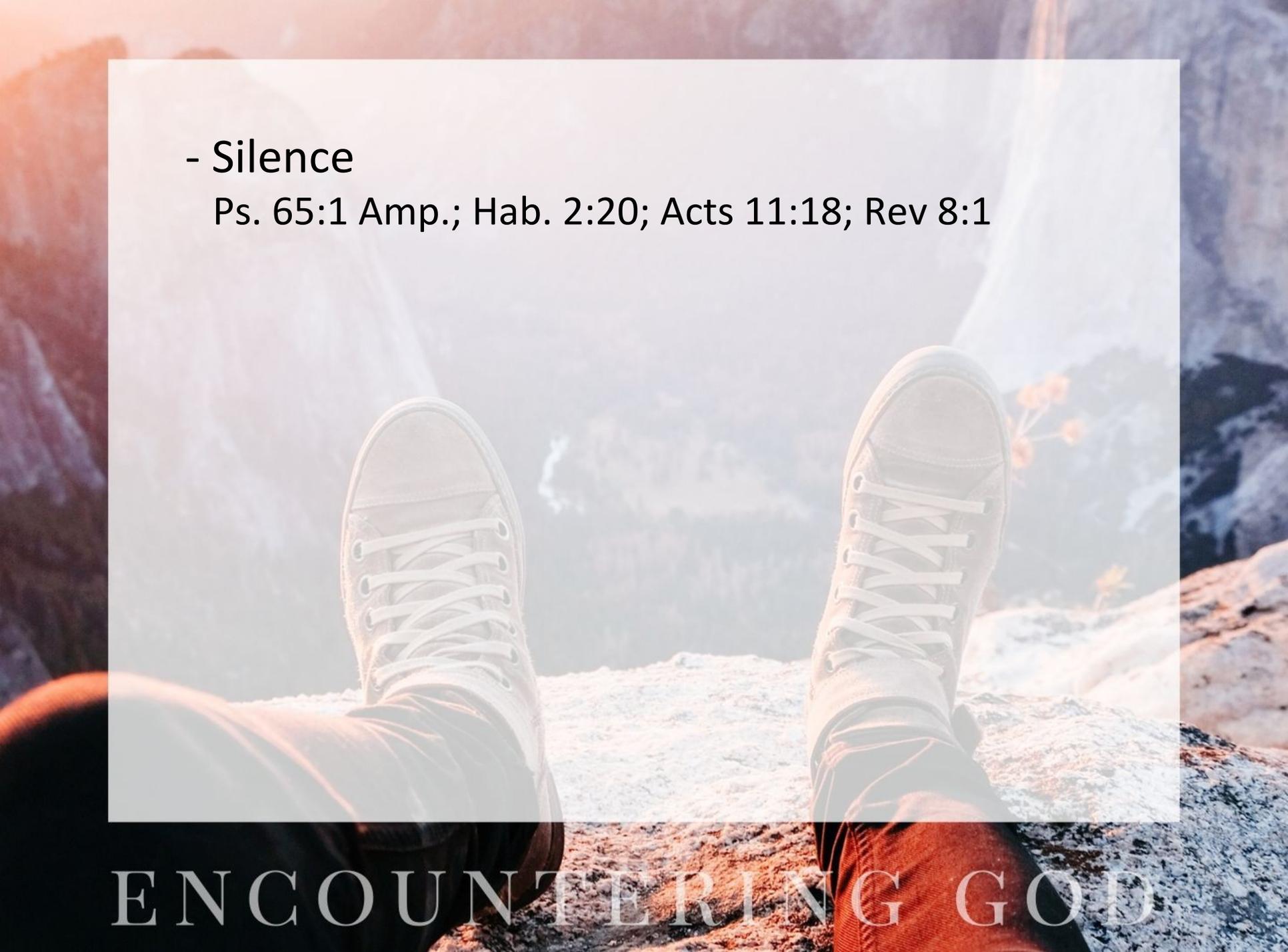
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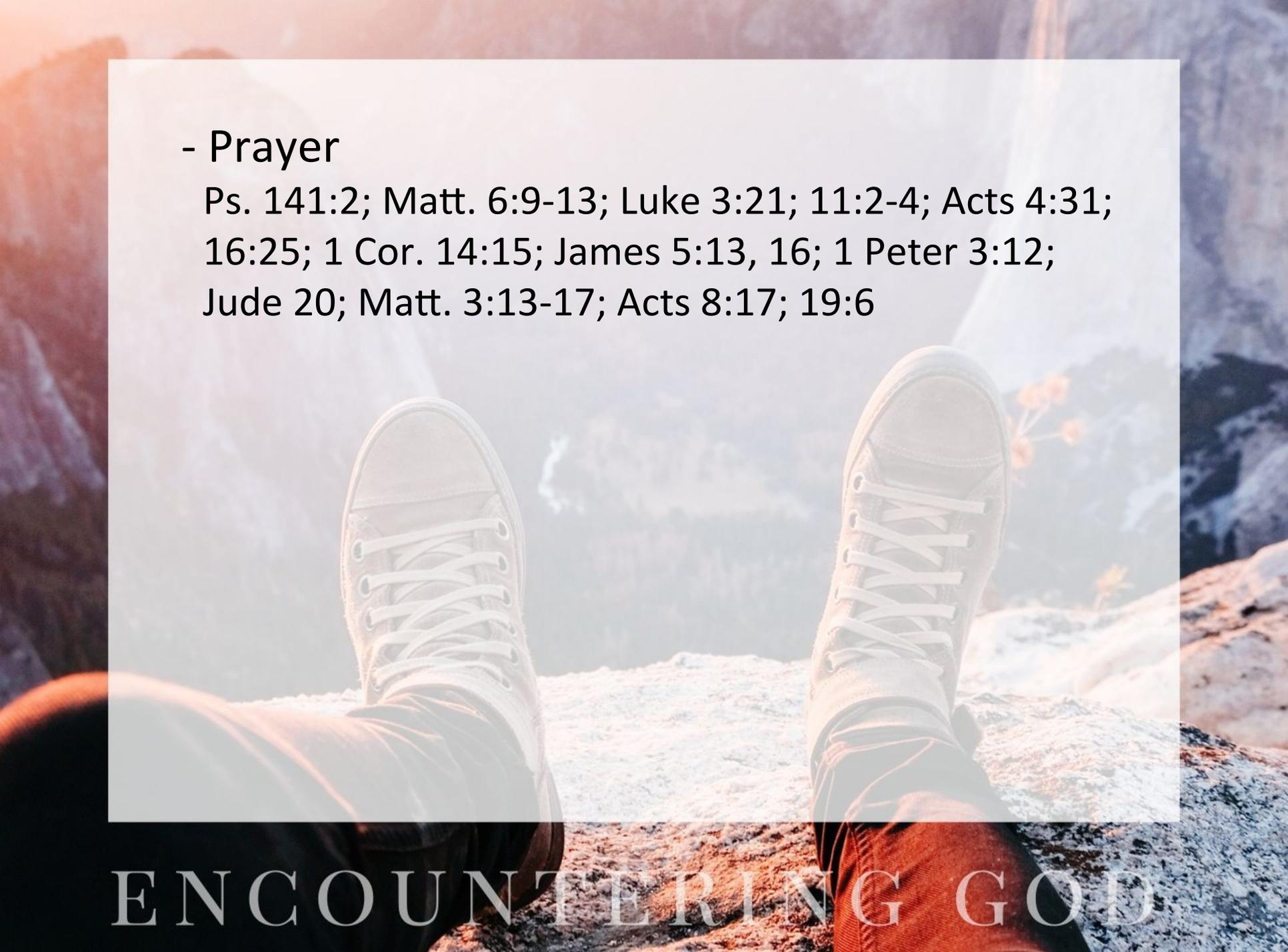
Acts 16:25-26; 1 Cor. 14:15; Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16;
James 5:13



- Silence

Ps. 65:1 Amp.; Hab. 2:20; Acts 11:18; Rev 8:1

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- Prayer

Ps. 141:2; Matt. 6:9-13; Luke 3:21; 11:2-4; Acts 4:31;
16:25; 1 Cor. 14:15; James 5:13, 16; 1 Peter 3:12;
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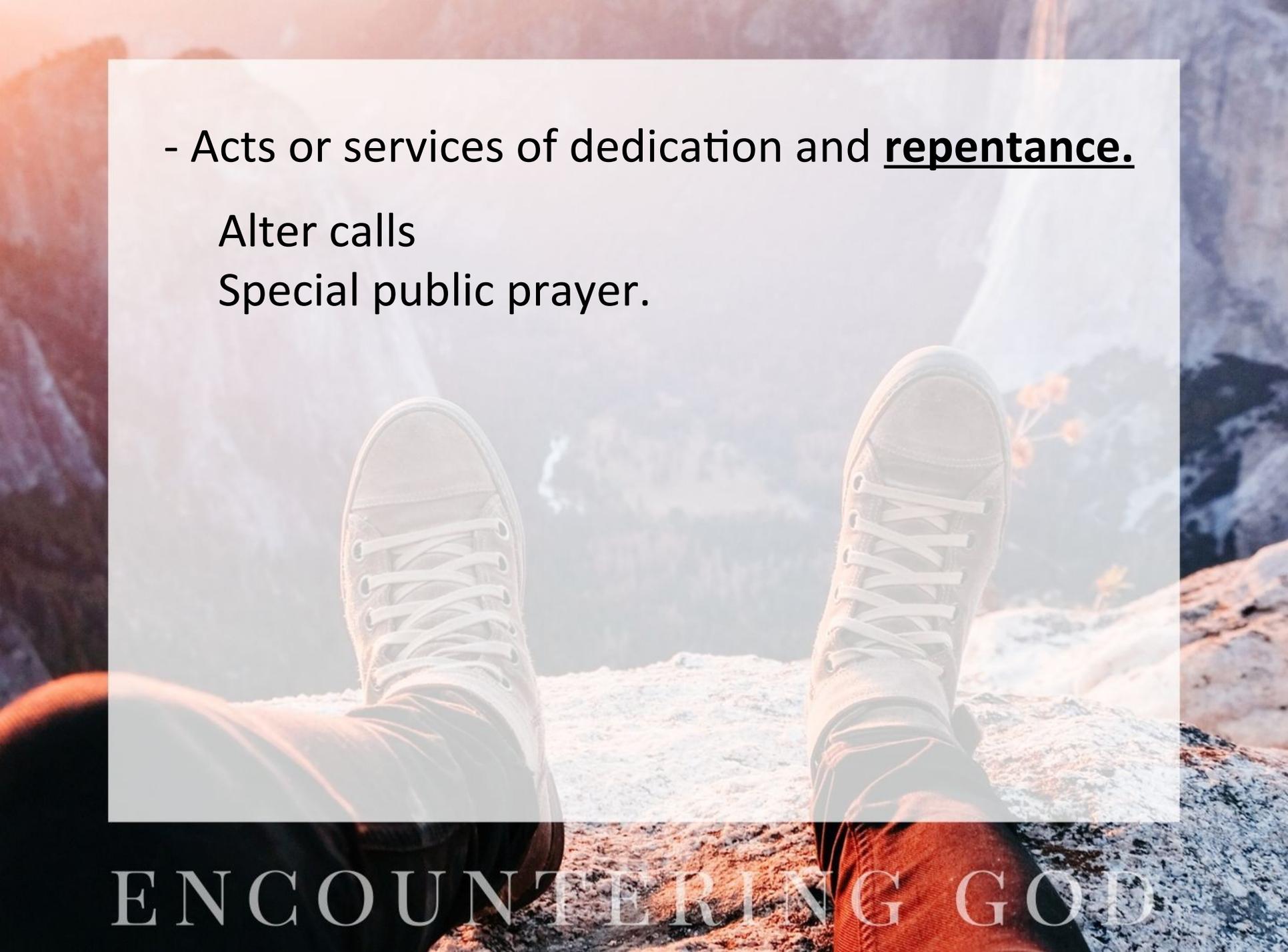
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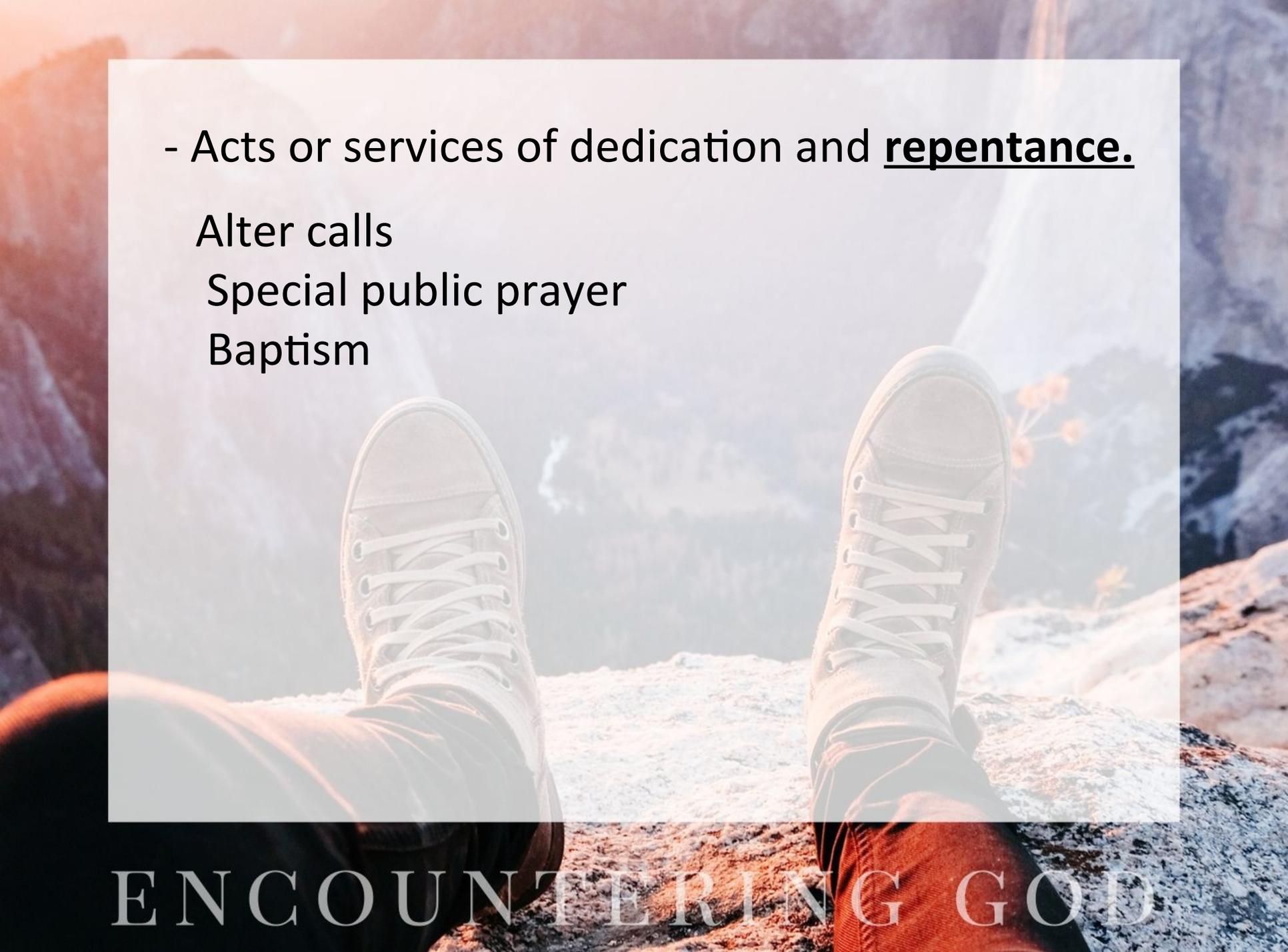
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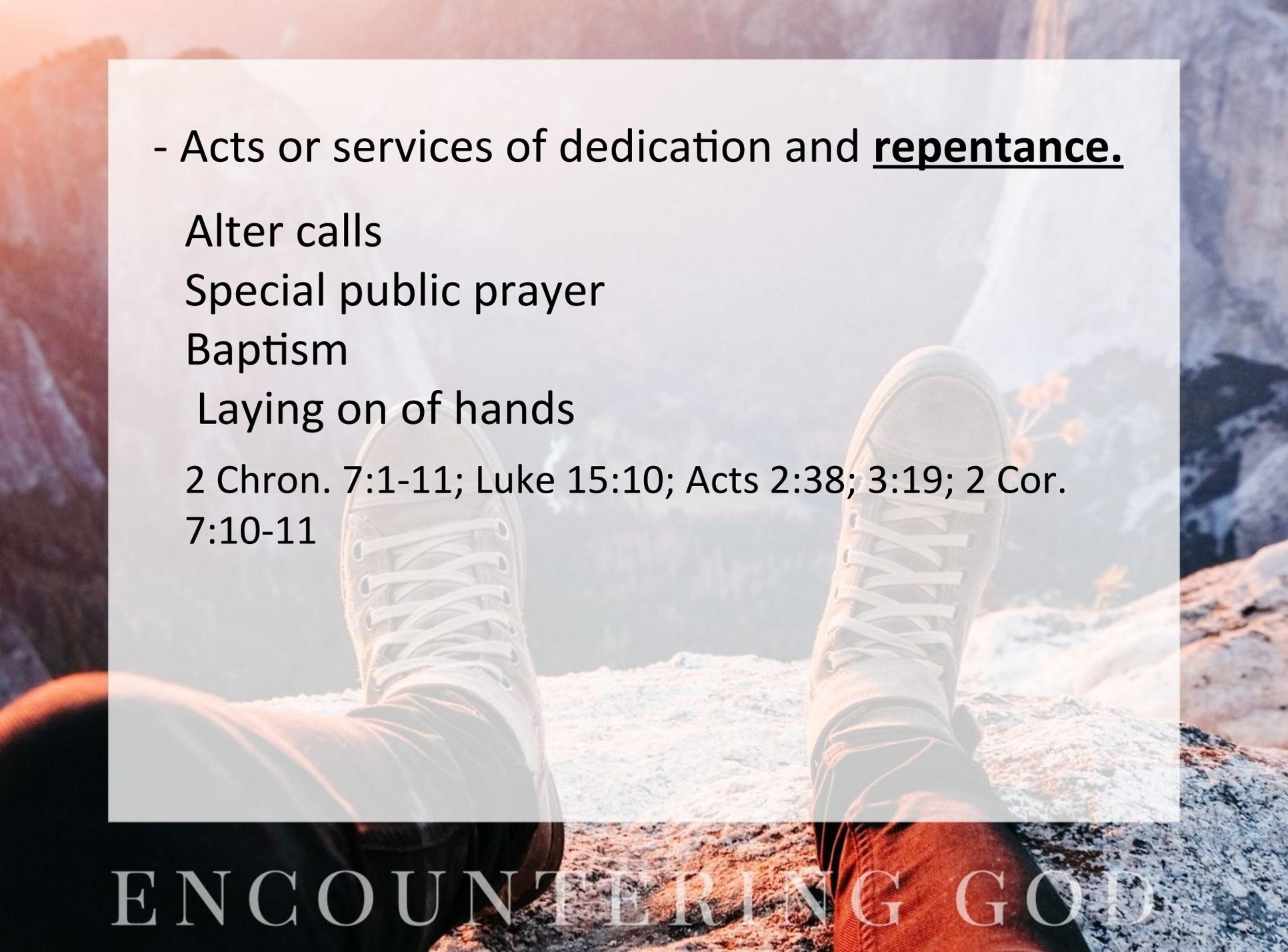
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Laying on of hands

2 Chron. 7:1-11; Luke 15:10; Acts 2:38; 3:19; 2 Cor.
7:10-11

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