



BRIDGES



A bridge is constructed to overcome an

OBSTACLE

in your path from where you are to your

DESTINATION.



What type of **BRIDGE**
is the bridge of forgiveness?





A large suspension bridge, likely the Golden Gate Bridge, is shown from a low angle, extending across a body of water. The sky is a mix of blue and orange, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The bridge's steel structure and cables are prominent.

The bridge of forgiveness is a

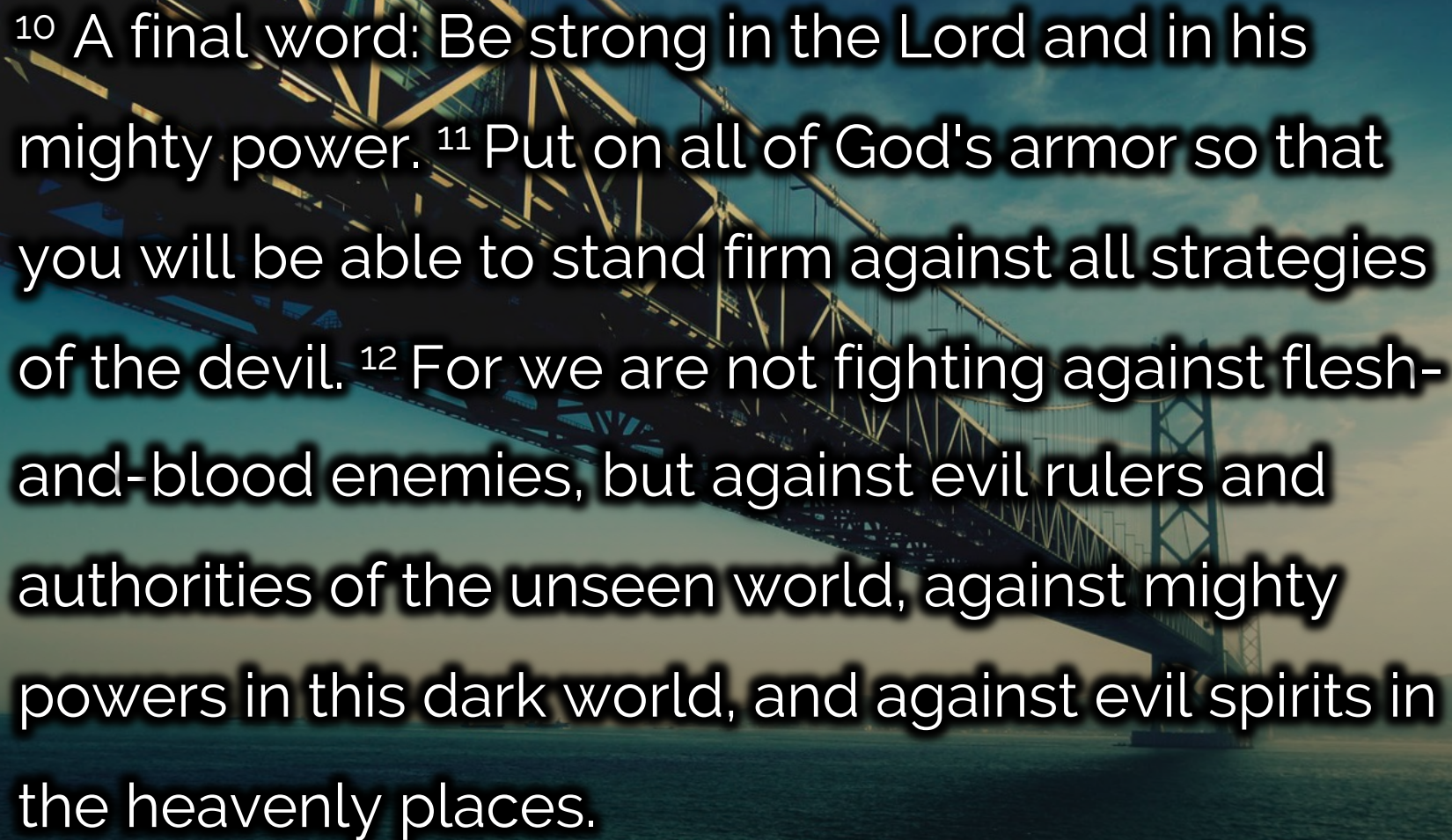
DRAWBRIDGE.

We need a

DRAWBRIDGE

to allow things to pass through so we aren't blocking the destiny God has for our lives. Forgiveness keeps

me moving towards my **DESTINY.**

A large suspension bridge, likely the Golden Gate Bridge, spans across a body of water. The bridge's steel structure is silhouetted against a sky with soft, warm light from the setting or rising sun. The water below is dark and calm. The overall mood is serene and majestic.

¹⁰ A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹ Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. ¹² For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places.

Ephesians 6:10-12 NLT

A large suspension bridge, likely the Golden Gate Bridge, spans across a body of water. The bridge's steel structure and suspension cables are prominent against a clear blue sky with some light clouds. The water below is a deep blue. The text is overlaid on the bridge's structure.

Jesus **TEACHES** us
about the Bridge of Forgiveness.

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9 “This, then, is how you should pray:

“Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,

10 your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.’

Matthew 6:9-15 NIV

A large suspension bridge, likely the Golden Gate Bridge, spans across a body of water under a twilight sky. The bridge's steel structure is silhouetted against the fading light, with the towers and cables visible. The water below is dark, and the horizon shows distant landmasses.

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'Give us today our daily bread.

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And forgive us our debts,

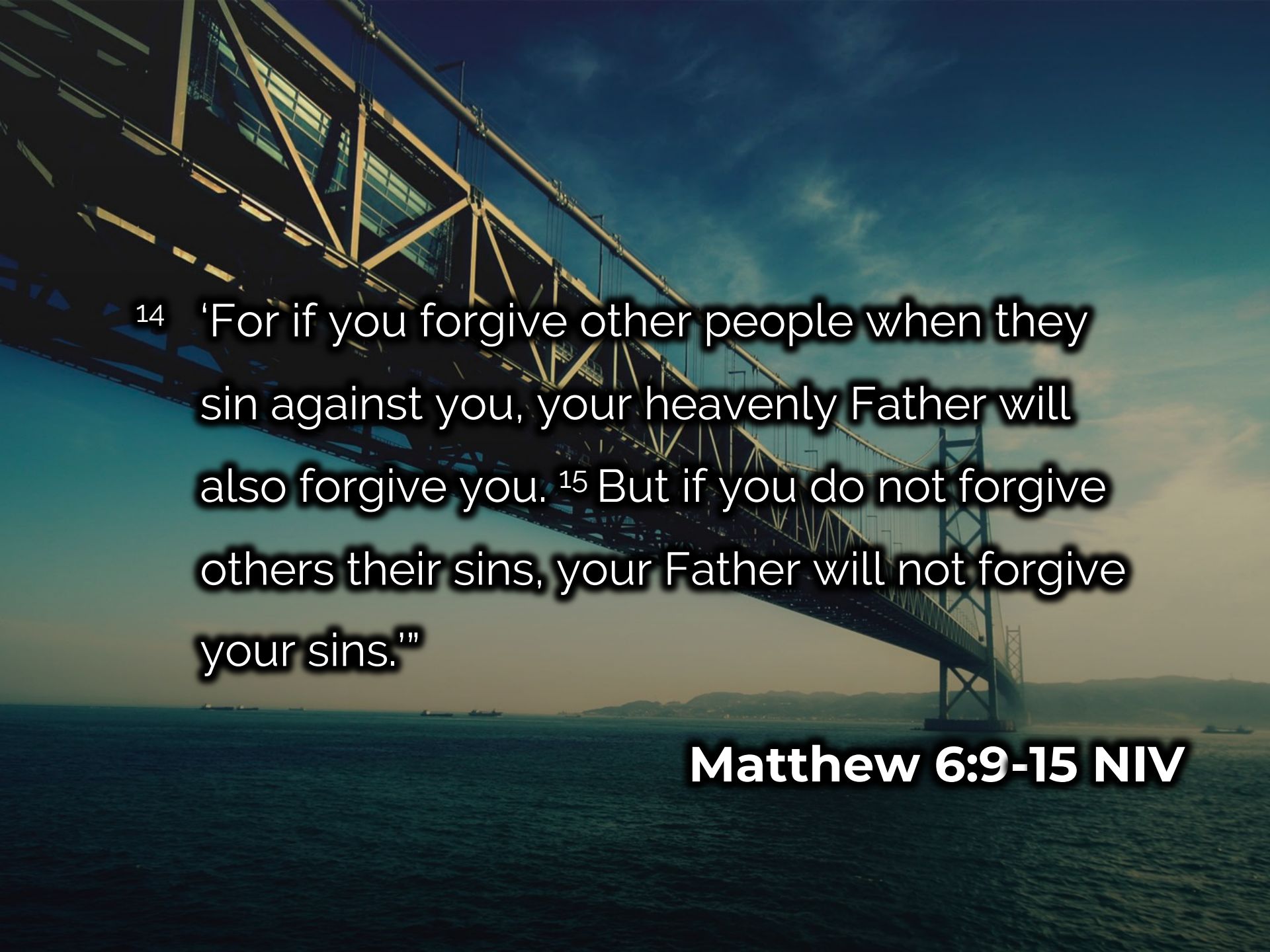
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

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And lead us not into temptation,


but deliver us from the evil one.'

Matthew 6:9-15 NIV

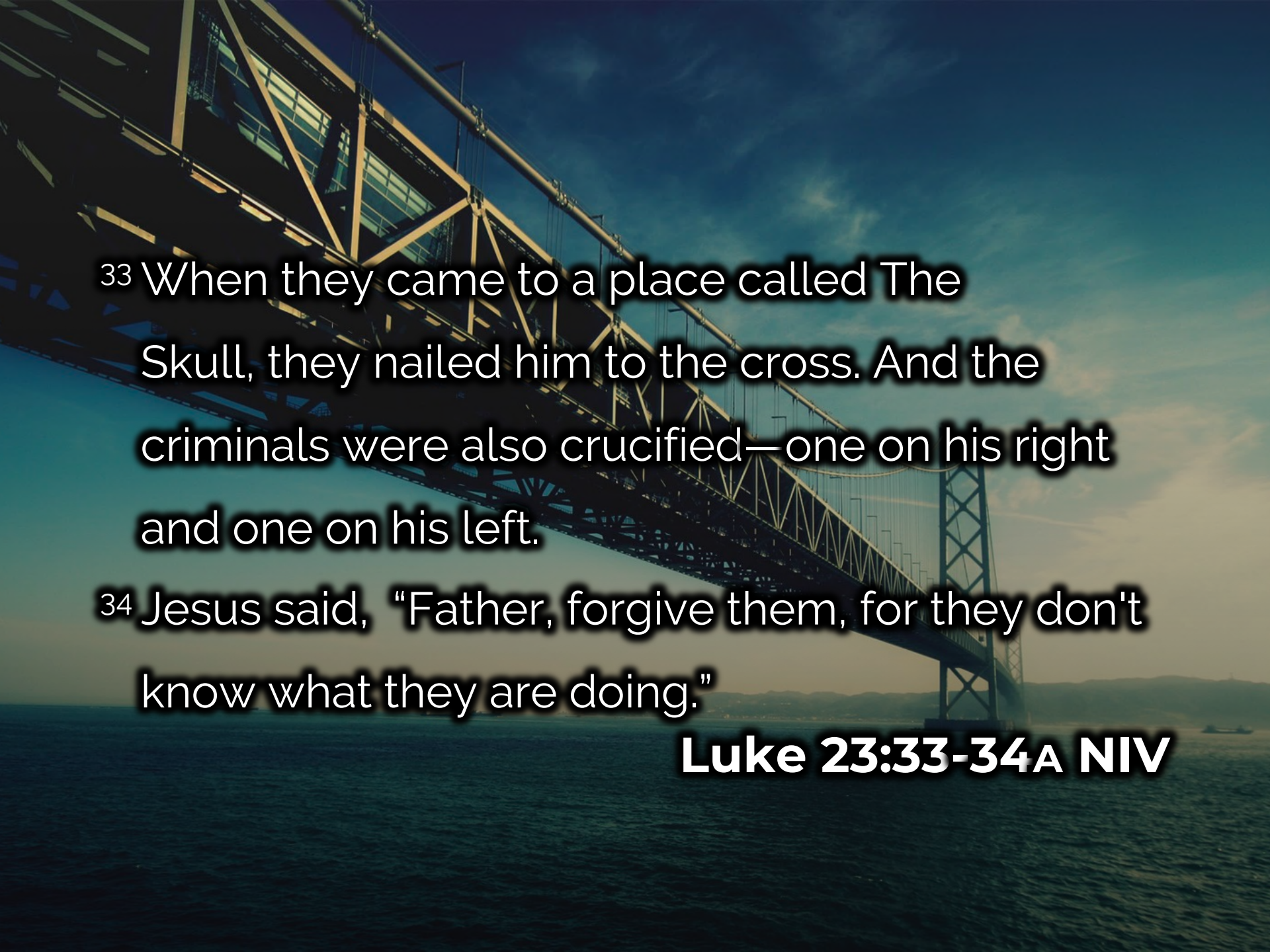
A large suspension bridge spans across a body of water under a twilight sky. The bridge's steel structure is silhouetted against the fading light, with its towers and cables clearly visible. The water below is dark and calm, reflecting the ambient light. In the distance, a range of low mountains or hills is visible on the horizon.

14 'For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15 But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.'

Matthew 6:9-15 NIV



Jesus **MODELS**
the Bridge of Forgiveness.

A large suspension bridge, likely the Golden Gate Bridge, spans across a body of water under a twilight sky. The bridge's steel structure and suspension cables are silhouetted against the fading light. The water below is dark and calm, with a few small boats visible in the distance. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

³³ When they came to a place called The Skull, they nailed him to the cross. And the criminals were also crucified—one on his right and one on his left.

³⁴ Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they don't know what they are doing.”

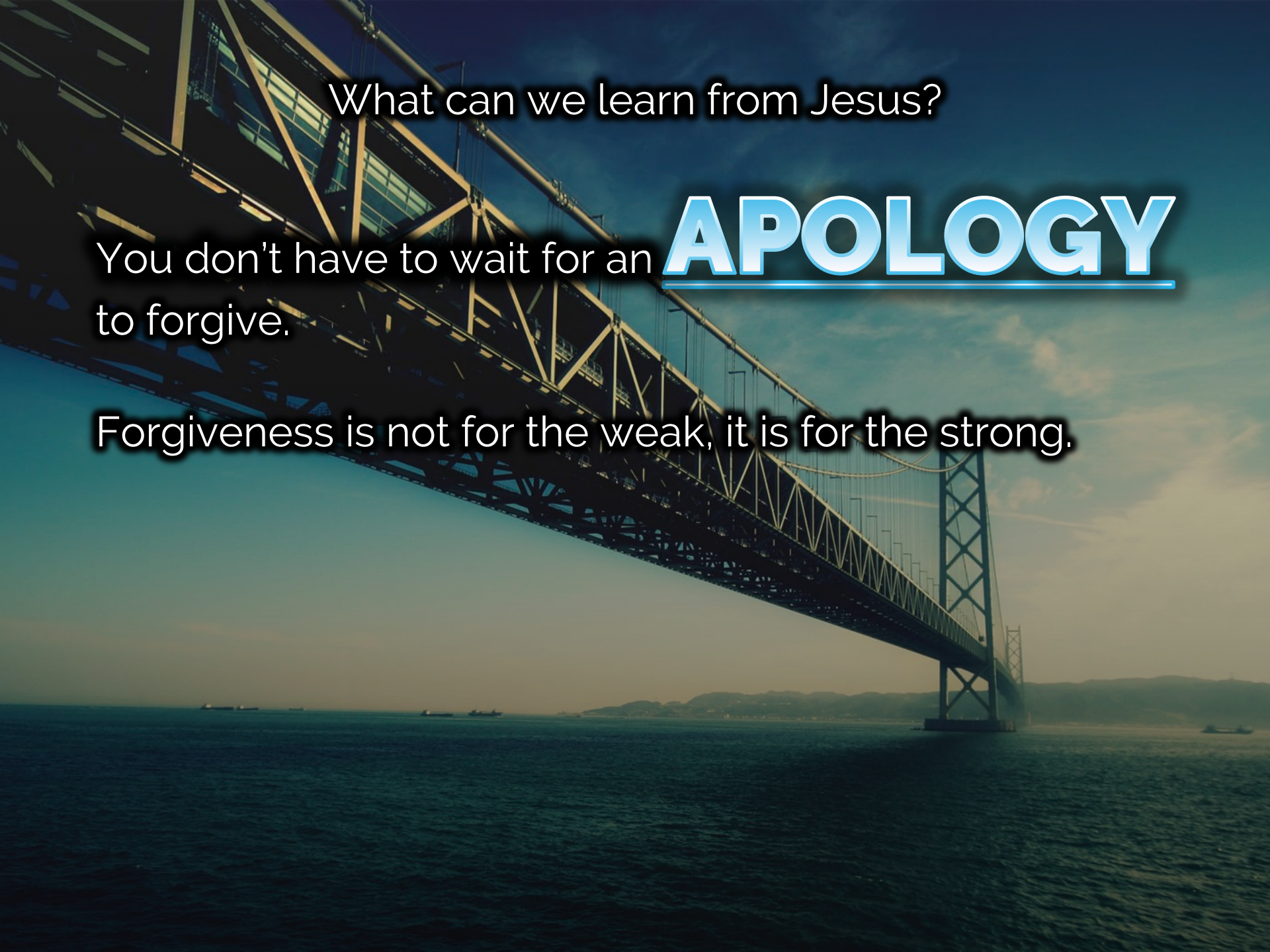
Luke 23:33-34A NIV

A large suspension bridge, likely the Tacoma Narrows Bridge, spans across a wide body of water. The bridge's steel structure is silhouetted against a sky with soft, warm light from a low sun, creating a golden glow. The water below is dark and calm. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

What can we learn from Jesus?

You don't have to wait for an
to forgive.

APOLOGY

A large suspension bridge, likely the Akashi Kaikyo Bridge, spans across a wide body of water. The bridge's steel structure is silhouetted against a sky transitioning from a deep blue to a warm orange and yellow near the horizon. The water below is dark and calm. The overall mood is serene and majestic.

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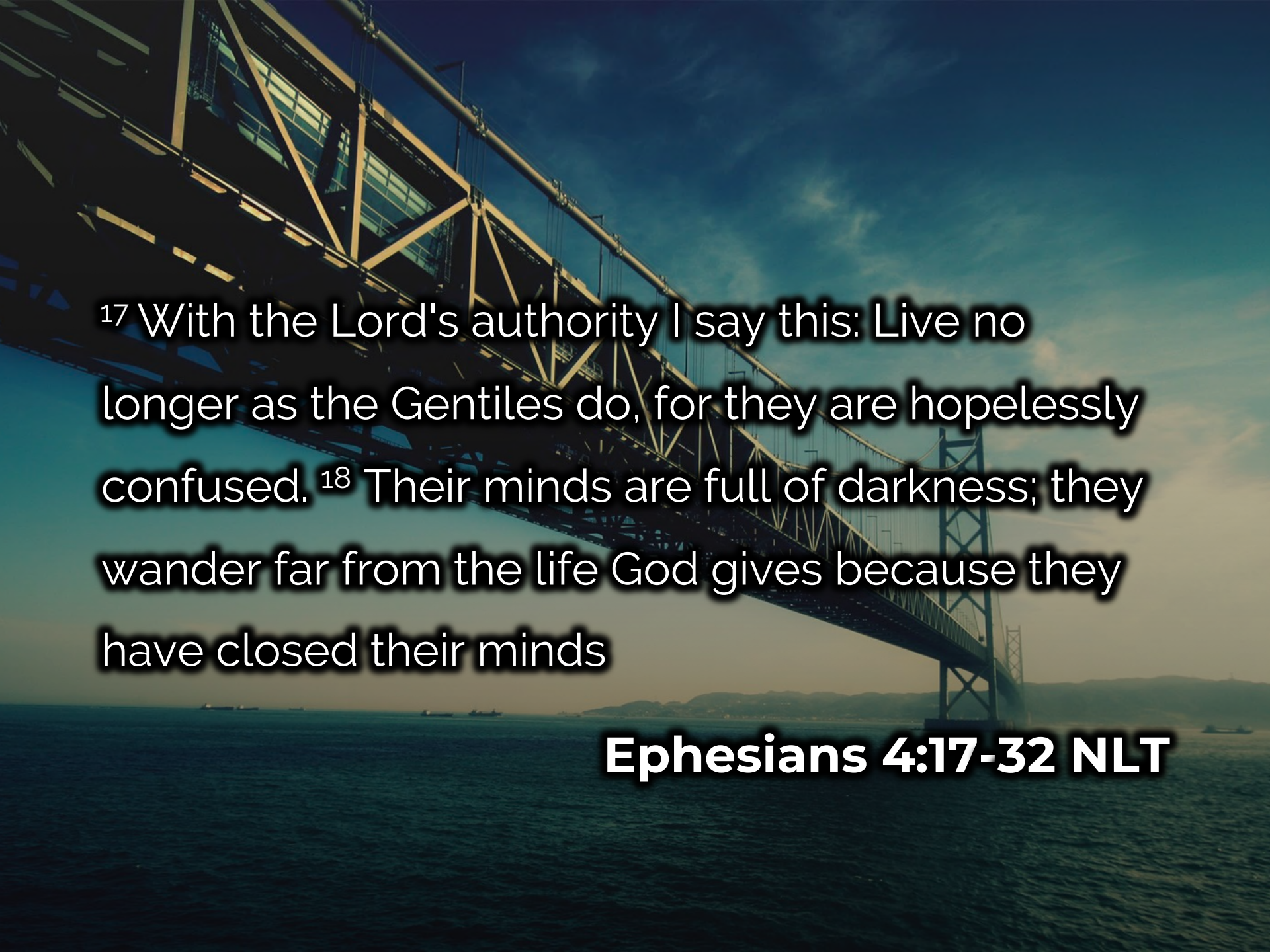
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Forgiveness keeps us **MOVING** forward
toward God's destiny for our lives.

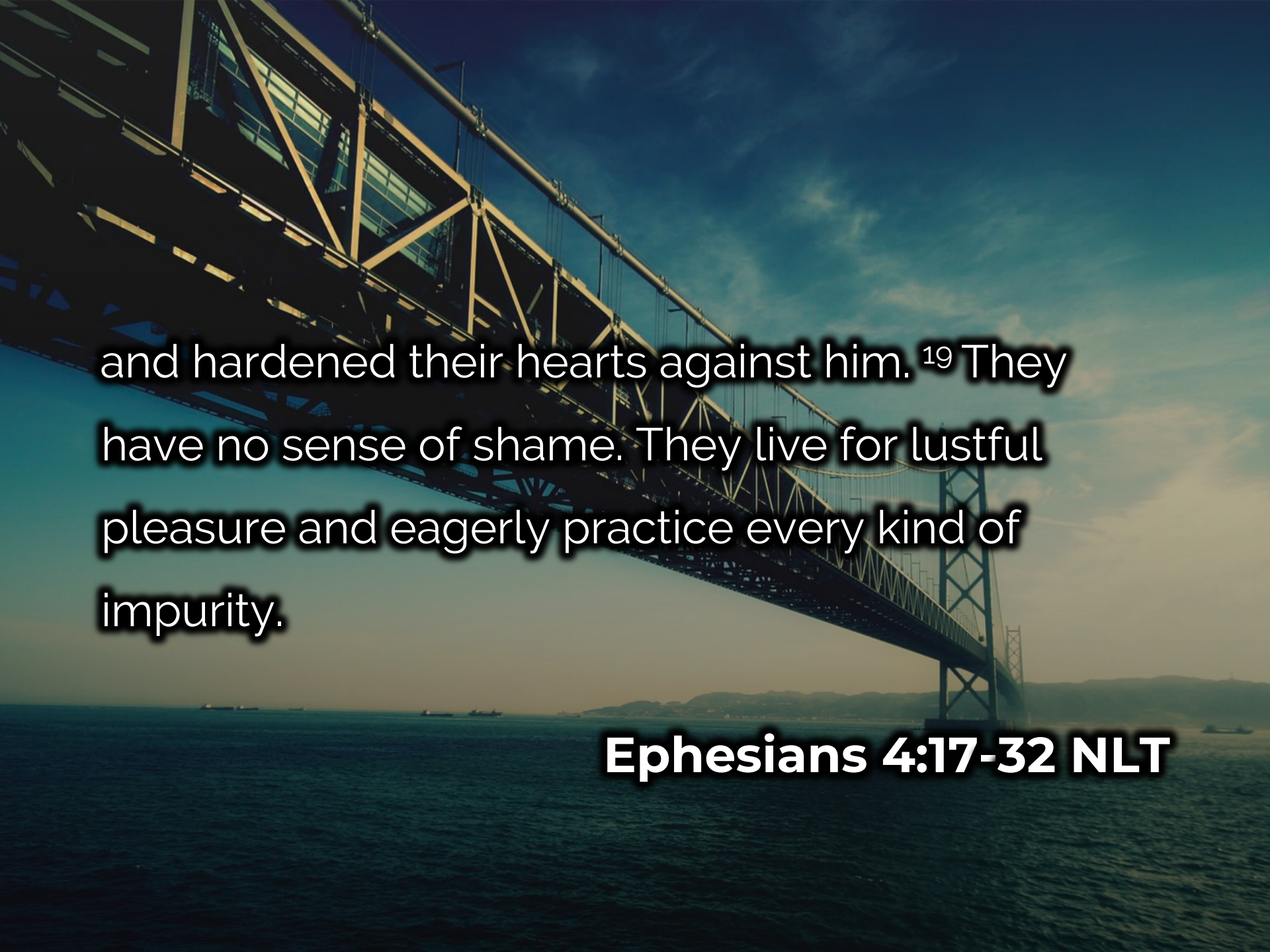
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The forgiveness
EXCHANGE

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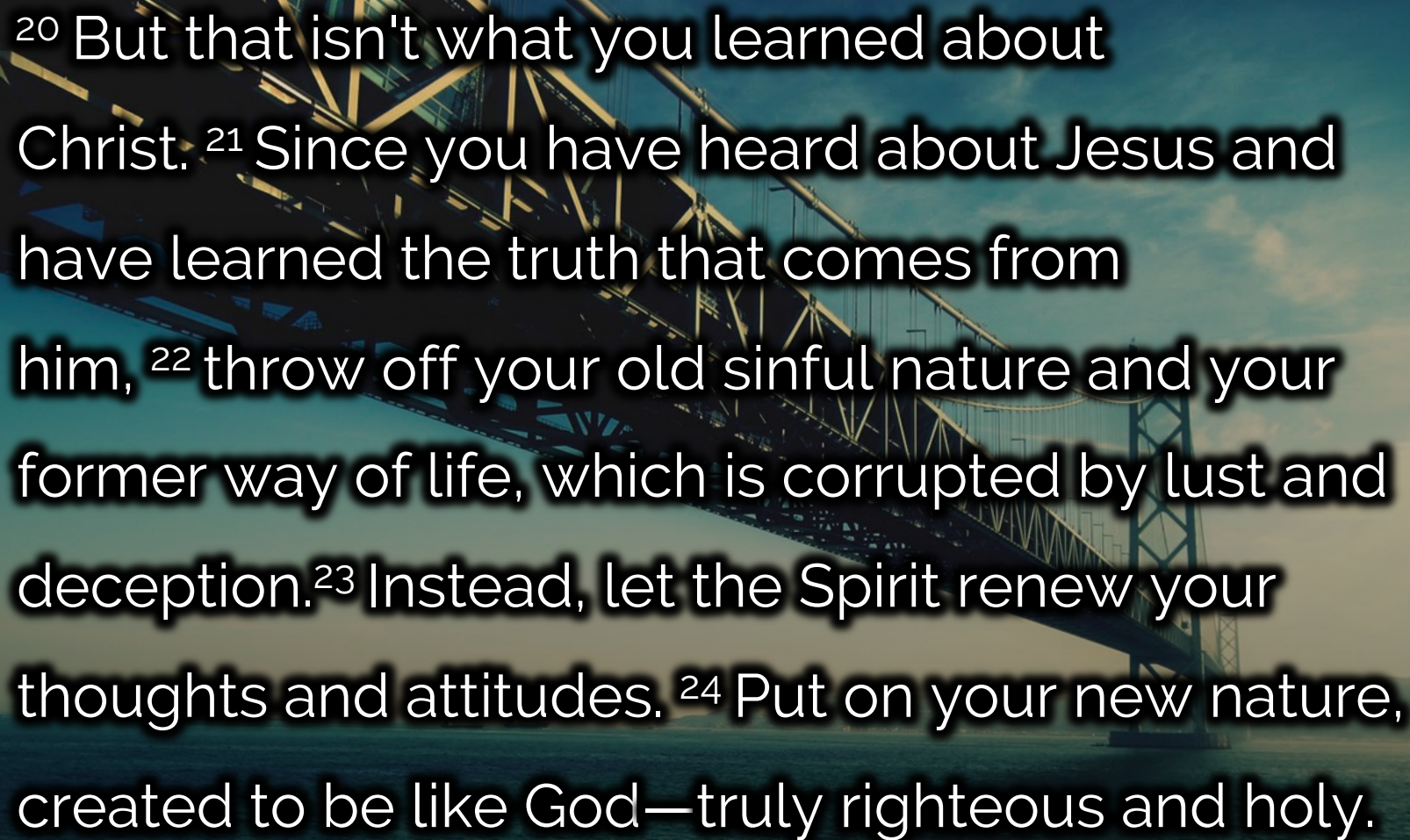
¹⁷ With the Lord's authority I say this: Live no longer as the Gentiles do, for they are hopelessly confused. ¹⁸ Their minds are full of darkness; they wander far from the life God gives because they have closed their minds

Ephesians 4:17-32 NLT

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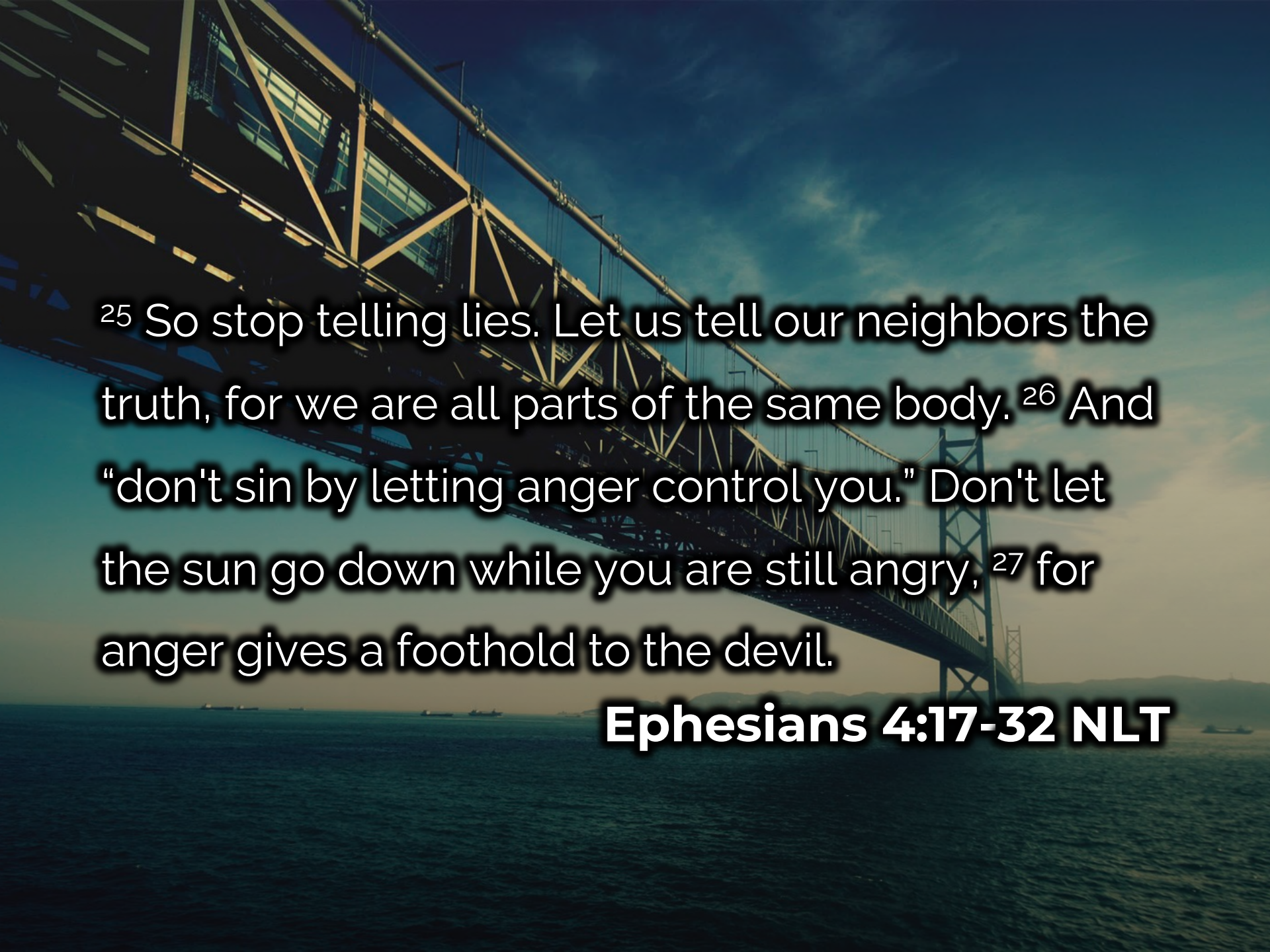
and hardened their hearts against him. ¹⁹ They have no sense of shame. They live for lustful pleasure and eagerly practice every kind of impurity.

Ephesians 4:17-32 NLT

A large suspension bridge, likely the Golden Gate Bridge, is shown from a low angle, extending across the frame from the top left towards the right. The bridge's steel structure is silhouetted against a sky that transitions from a deep blue at the top to a lighter, hazy blue near the horizon. The ocean is visible in the foreground, with a small boat visible in the distance on the right. The overall mood is serene and majestic.

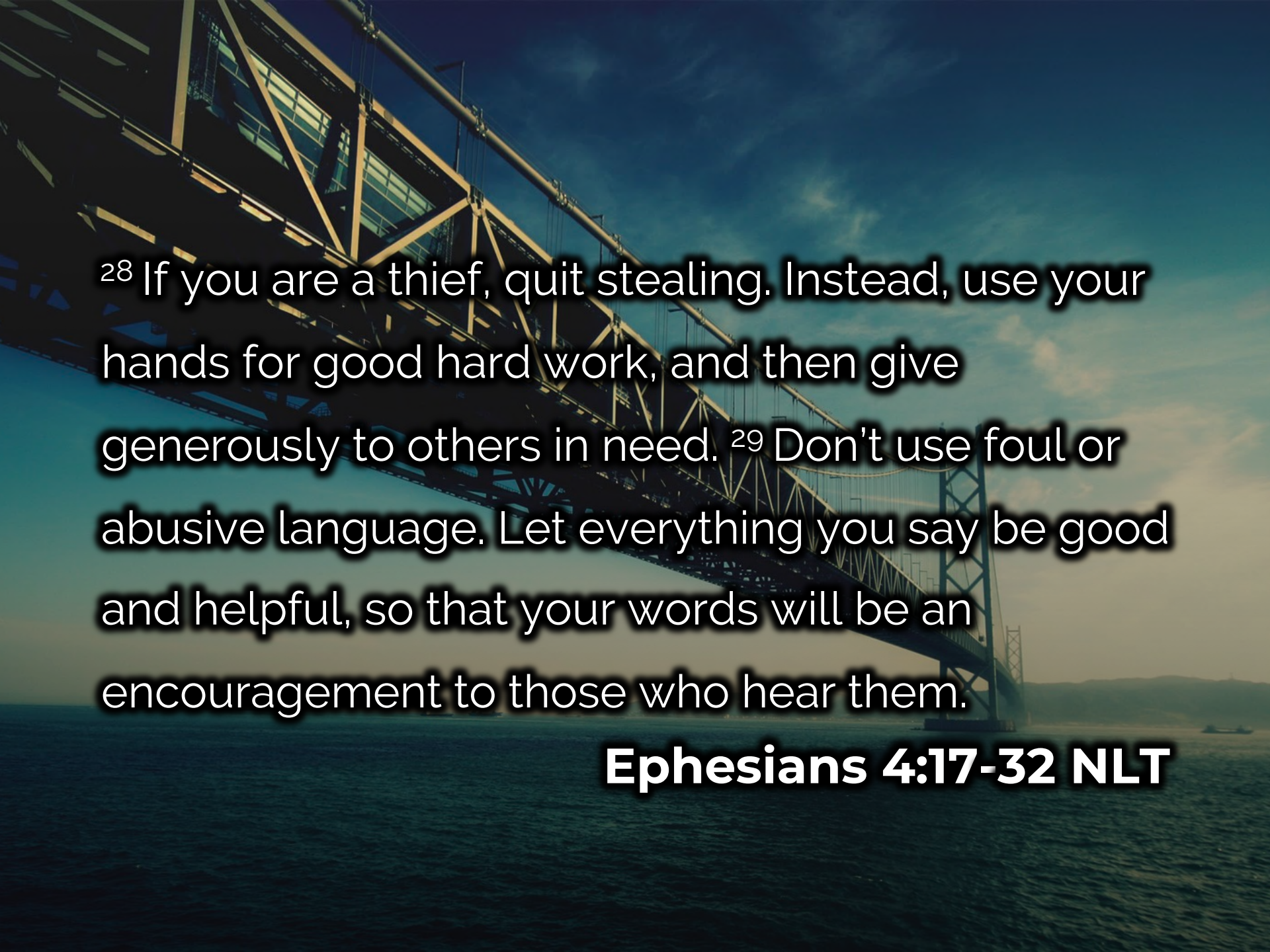
²⁰ But that isn't what you learned about Christ. ²¹ Since you have heard about Jesus and have learned the truth that comes from him, ²² throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception. ²³ Instead, let the Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes. ²⁴ Put on your new nature, created to be like God—truly righteous and holy.

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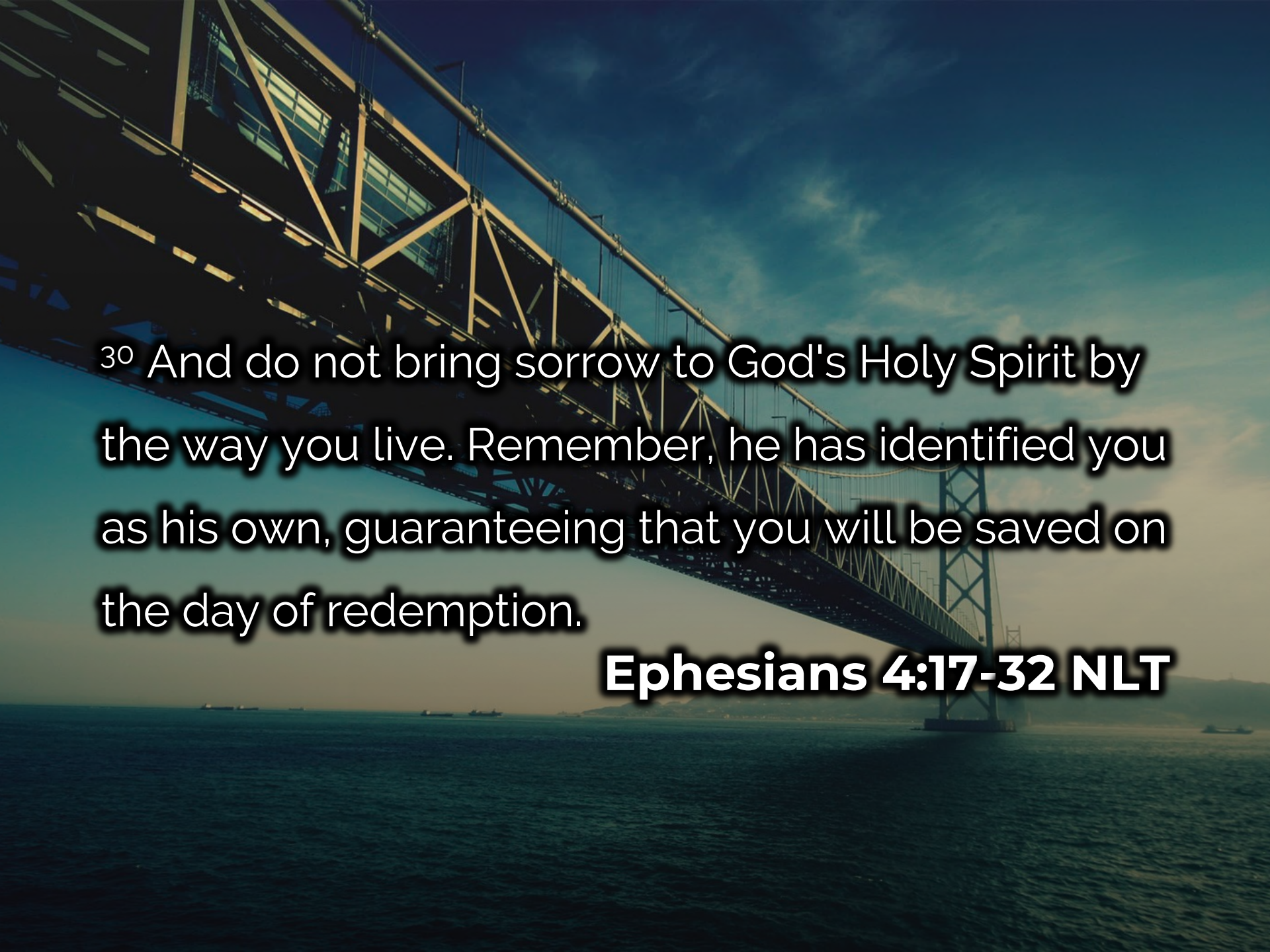
²⁵ So stop telling lies. Let us tell our neighbors the truth, for we are all parts of the same body. ²⁶ And “don't sin by letting anger control you.” Don't let the sun go down while you are still angry, ²⁷ for anger gives a foothold to the devil.

Ephesians 4:17-32 NLT

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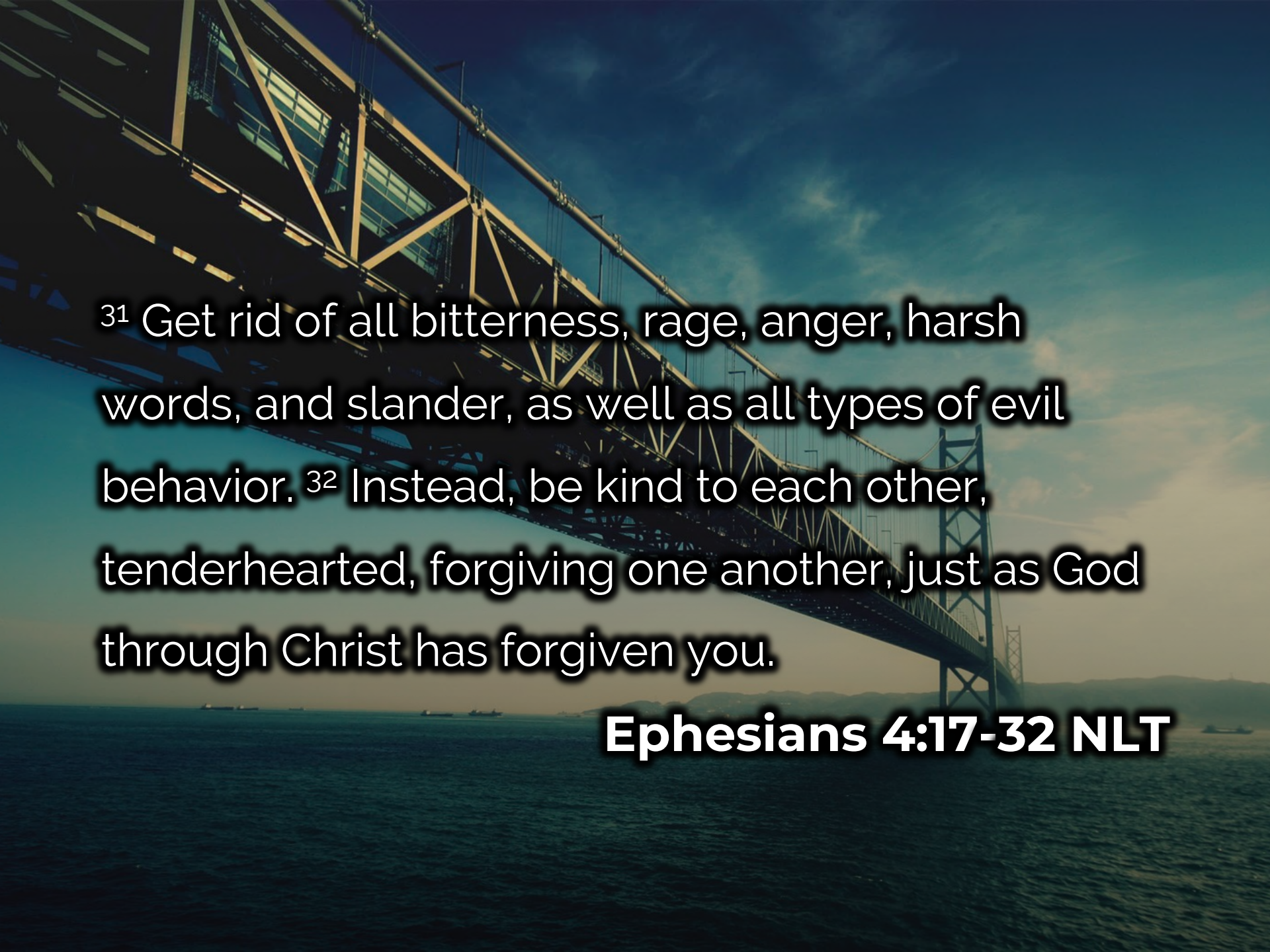
²⁸ If you are a thief, quit stealing. Instead, use your hands for good hard work, and then give generously to others in need. ²⁹ Don't use foul or abusive language. Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them.

Ephesians 4:17-32 NLT

A large suspension bridge, likely the Golden Gate Bridge, spans across a body of water. The bridge's steel structure is prominent, with cables supporting the deck. The sky is a clear, bright blue with some light, wispy clouds. The water below is a deep blue-green color. The overall scene is bright and clear.

30 And do not bring sorrow to God's Holy Spirit by the way you live. Remember, he has identified you as his own, guaranteeing that you will be saved on the day of redemption.

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³¹ Get rid of all bitterness, rage, anger, harsh words, and slander, as well as all types of evil behavior. ³² Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you.

Ephesians 4:17-32 NLT

FORGIVENESS

OUT

Revenge

Hate

Sin

Pain

Rage

Fighting

Slander

Bitterness

Anxiety

Sadness

Curses

IN

Mercy

Love

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