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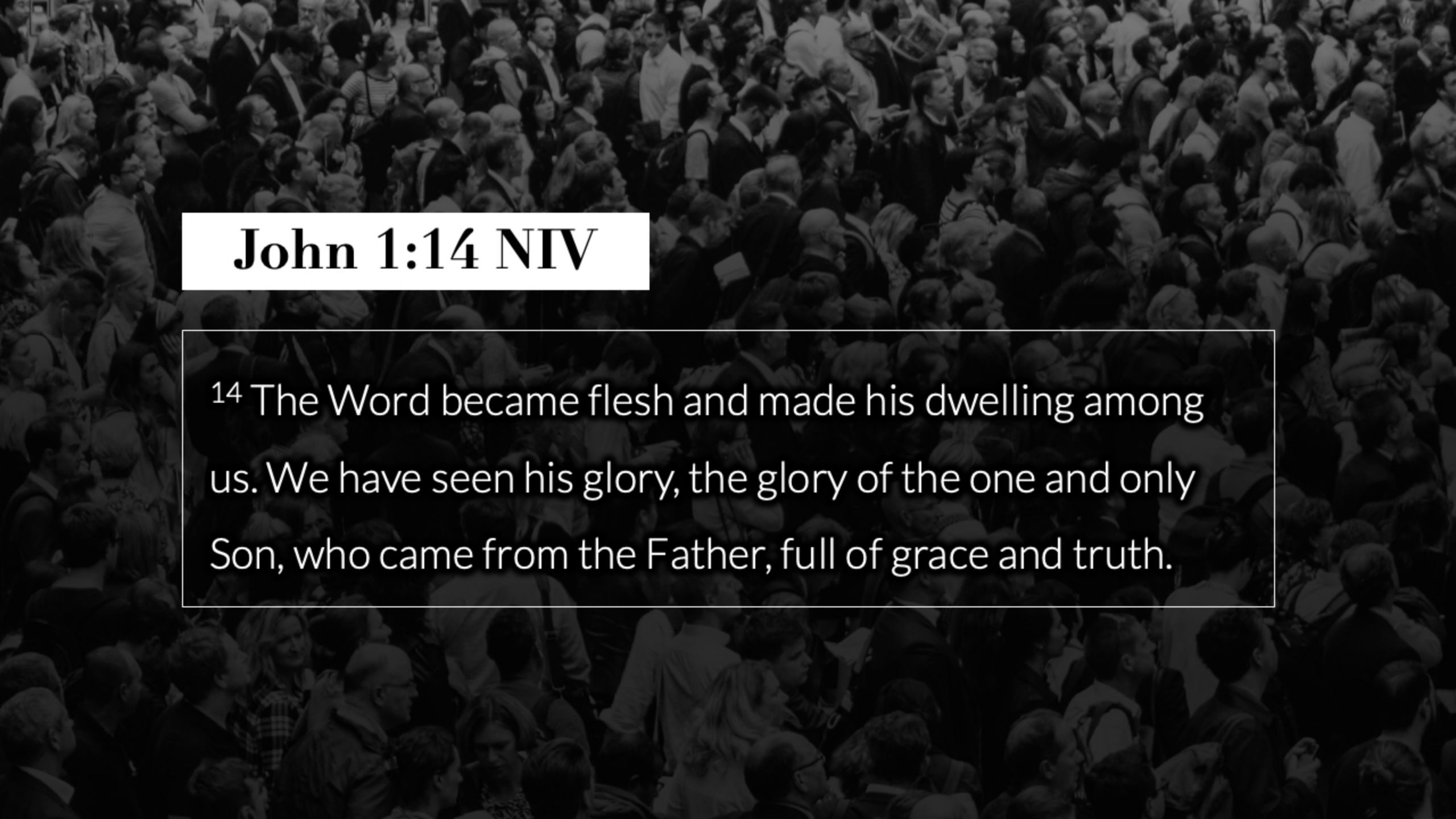
GRACE

&

TRUTH



**BROOMFIELD
ASSEMBLY**



John 1:14 NIV

¹⁴ The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.



We need to stand firm on God's Truth.



We need to **stand** firm on God's Truth.

We need to **freely** give God's Grace.

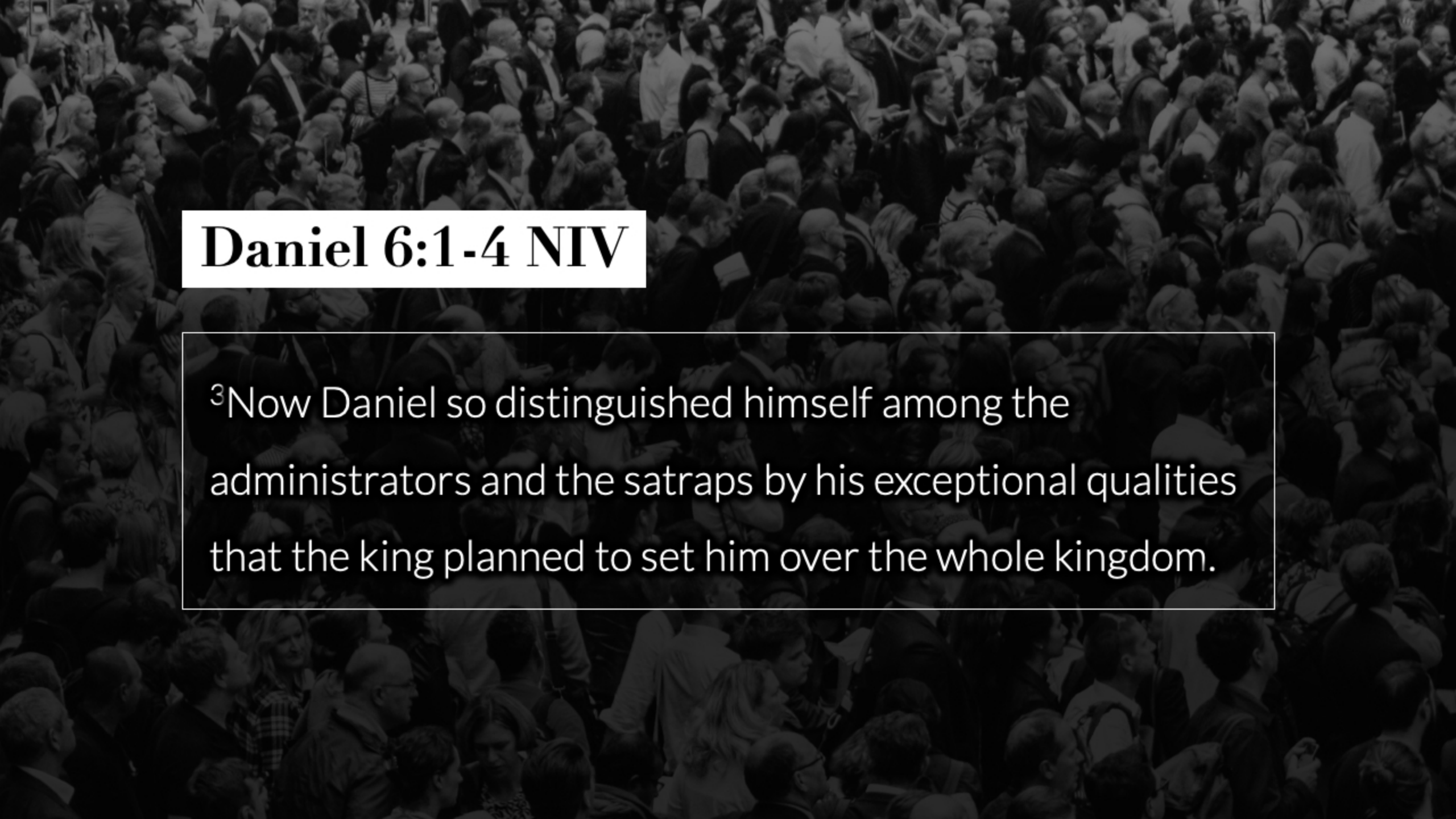


1 Corinthians 16:13-14 NIV

¹³ Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. ¹⁴ Do everything in love.

Daniel 6:1-4 NIV

¹ It pleased Darius to appoint 120 satraps to rule throughout the kingdom, ² with three administrators over them, one of whom was Daniel. The satraps were made accountable to them so that the king might not suffer loss.



Daniel 6:1-4 NIV

³Now Daniel so distinguished himself among the administrators and the satraps by his exceptional qualities that the king planned to set him over the whole kingdom.

Daniel 6:1-4 NIV

⁴ At this, the administrators and the satraps tried to find grounds for charges against Daniel in his conduct of government affairs, but they were unable to do so. They could find no corruption in him, because he was trustworthy and neither corrupt nor negligent.

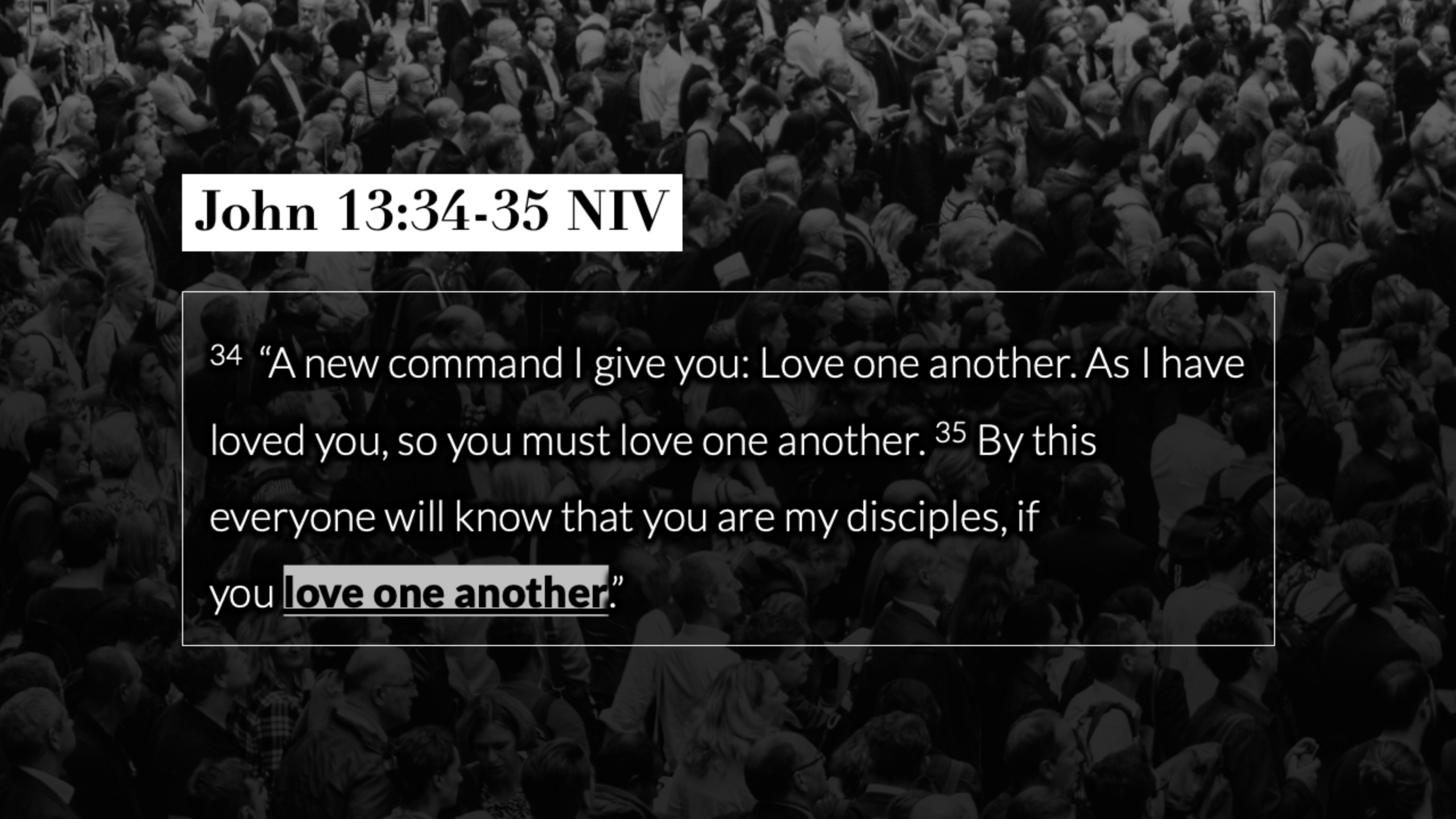


I. In our world today how do we
distinguish ourselves?



Galatians 5:6b NIV

The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.




John 13:34-35 NIV

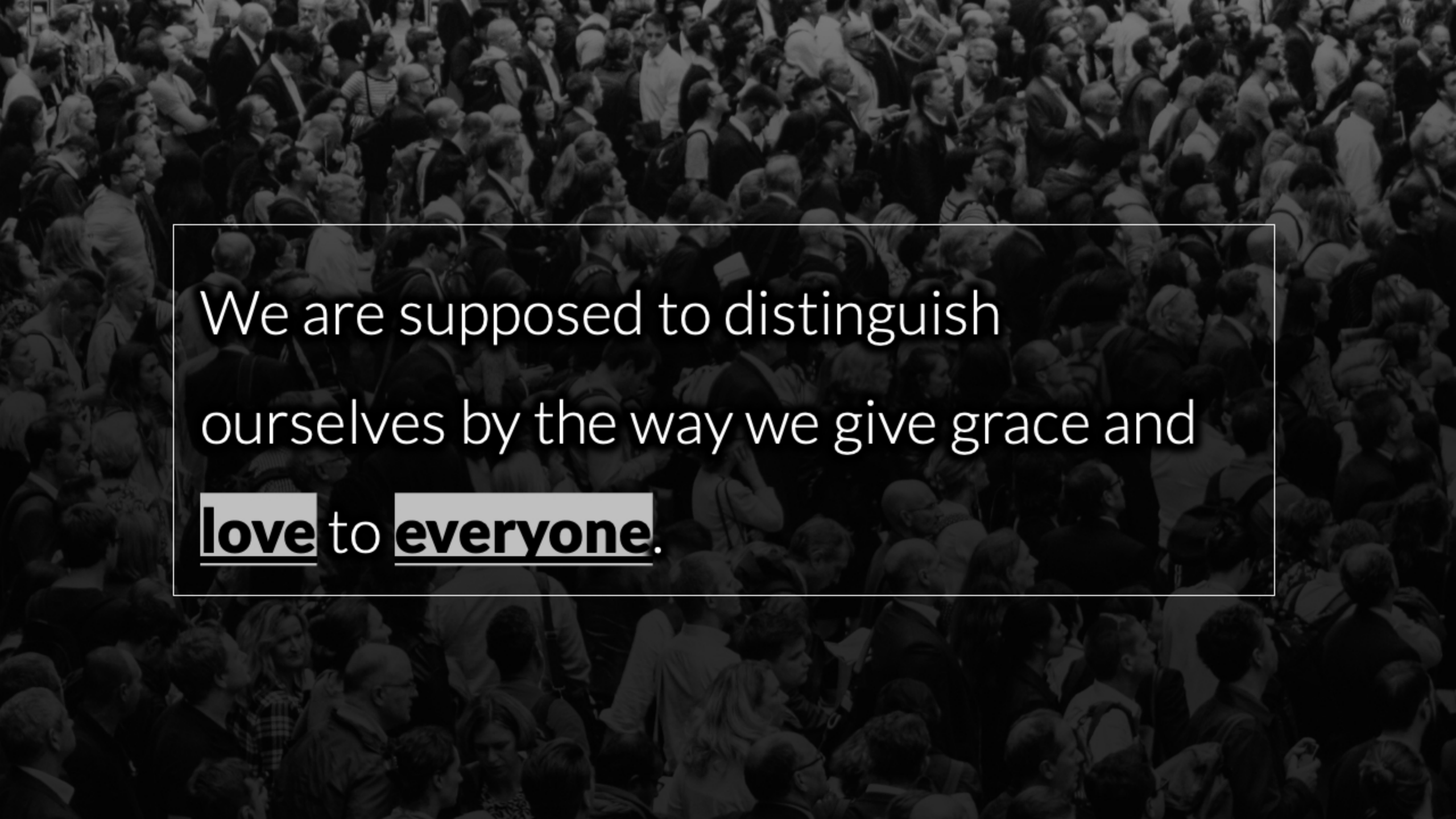
³⁴ “A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you **love one another.**”

Matthew 5:43-45a NLT


⁴³ “You have heard the law that says, ‘Love your neighbor’ and hate your enemy. ⁴⁴ But I say, love your enemies! Pray for those who persecute you! ⁴⁵ In that way, you will be acting as true children of your Father in heaven.”

A large, dense crowd of people, mostly men in suits, filling the frame. The image is dark and monochromatic, with the text overlaid in the center.

Who is my enemy?



We are supposed to distinguish
ourselves by the way we give grace and
love to everyone.

A large, dense crowd of people, mostly men, is shown in a dark, monochromatic setting. The crowd is packed closely together, and the overall tone is somber and contemplative. The text is overlaid on the center of the image.

II. What if I do not have love?

1 Corinthians 13:1 NIV

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All I say is ineffective.



Ephesians 4:15 NLT

¹⁵ Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church.



Ephesians 4:29 NIV

²⁹ Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.



1 Corinthians 13:2 NIV

² If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge...

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All I know is insignificant.



1 Corinthians 13:2b NIV

...if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing.



1 Corinthians 13:2b NIV

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All I **believe** is insufficient.



1 Corinthians 13:3a NIV

³ If I give all I possess to the poor...



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All I **give** is incomplete.



1 Corinthians 13:3b NIV

(If I) give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.



1 Corinthians 13:3b NIV

(If I) give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

All I accomplish is inadequate.

1 Corinthians 3:12-15 NIV

¹² If anyone builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, ¹³ their work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire,

1 Corinthians 3:12-15 NIV

and the fire will test the quality of each person's work. ¹⁴ If what has been built survives, the builder will receive a reward. ¹⁵ If it is burned up, the builder will suffer loss but yet will be saved—even though only as one escaping through the flames.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8a NIV

⁴ Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

⁸ Love never fails.



III. How do I freely give love and grace
tomorrow?

A high-angle, black and white photograph of a massive, dense crowd of people. The individuals are packed closely together, filling the entire frame. The lighting is dim, creating a somber and busy atmosphere. The crowd appears to be moving or gathered for a significant event.

Serve People.



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1 Corinthians 9:19 NIV

¹⁹ Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible.



Jesus **connected** before He **corrected**.