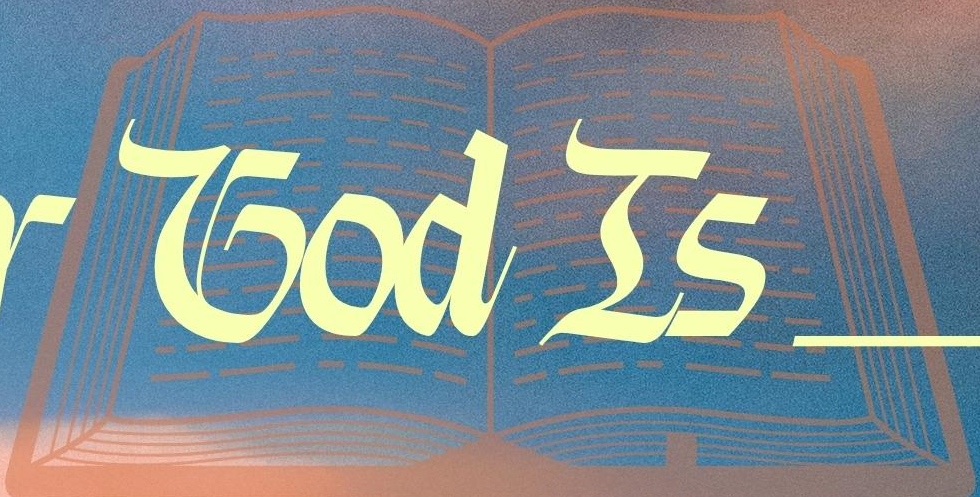
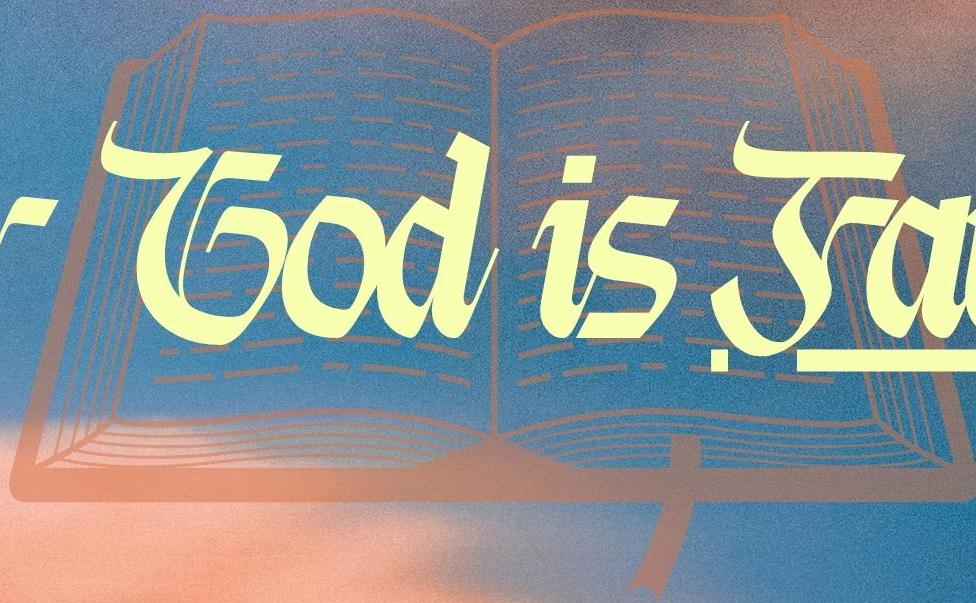


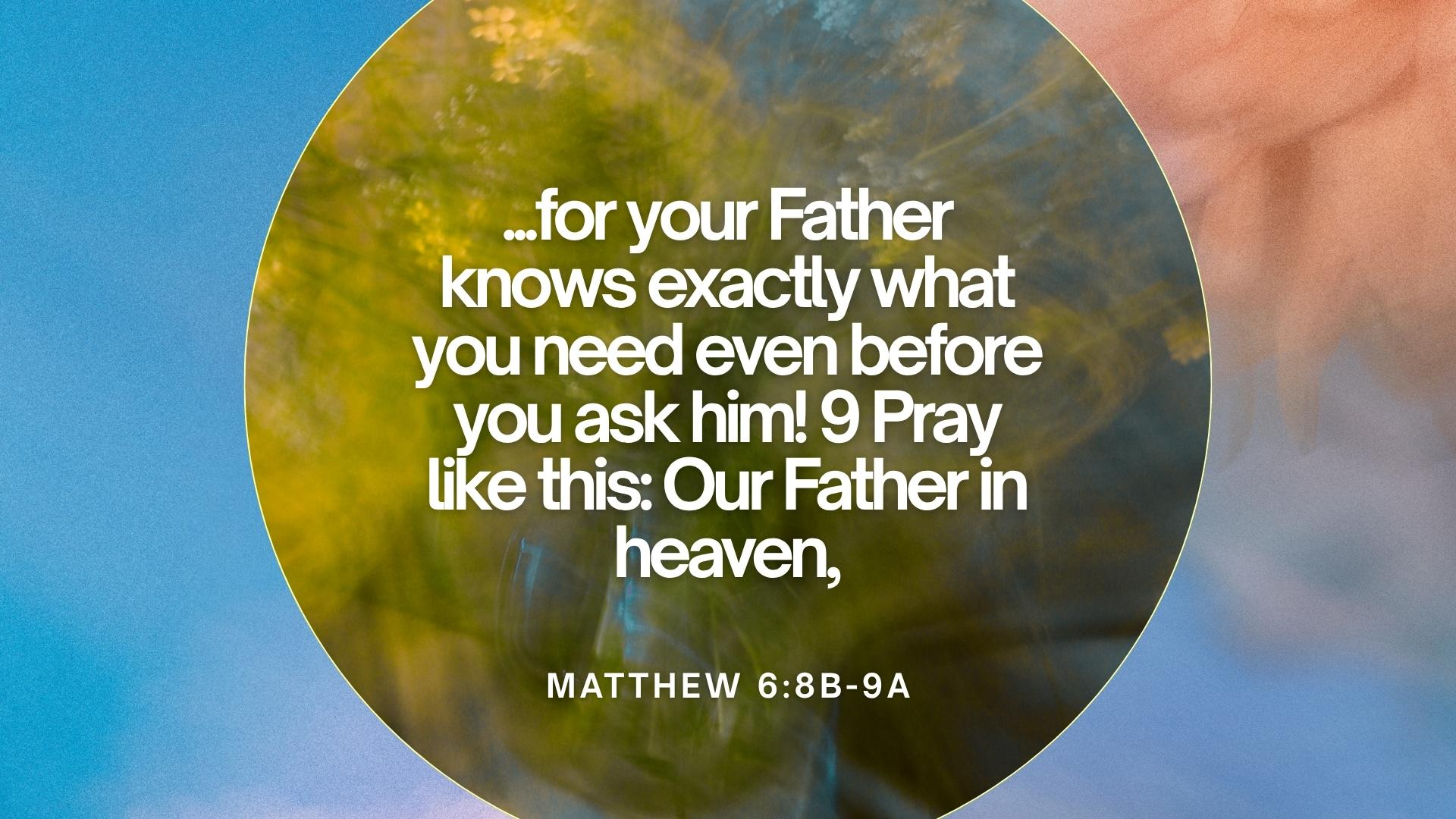


our God Is _____

A SERMON SERIES ON THE CHARACTERISTICS OF GOD



our God is Father

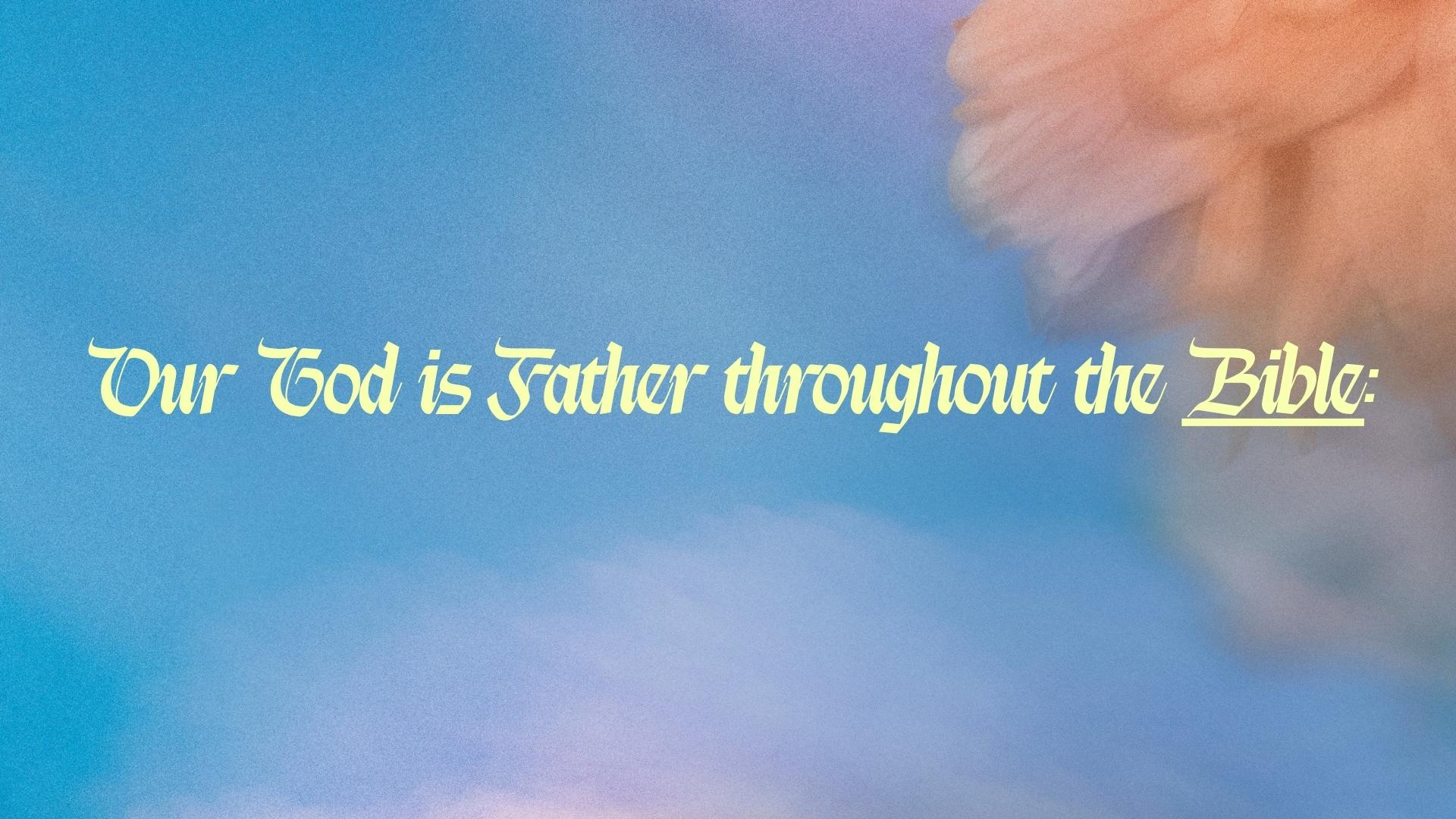


**...for your Father
knows exactly what
you need even before
you ask him! 9 Pray
like this: Our Father in
heaven,**

MATTHEW 6:8B-9A



*In the gospels Jesus calls God
Father 23 times.*



Our God is Father throughout the Bible:

Our God is Father throughout the Bible:

-Israel as God's 1st born son - Exodus 4:22-23

Our God is Father throughout the Bible:

- Israel as God's 1st born son - Exodus 4:22-23
- The prophecies of the prophet Hosea - Hosea 11

Our God is Father throughout the Bible:

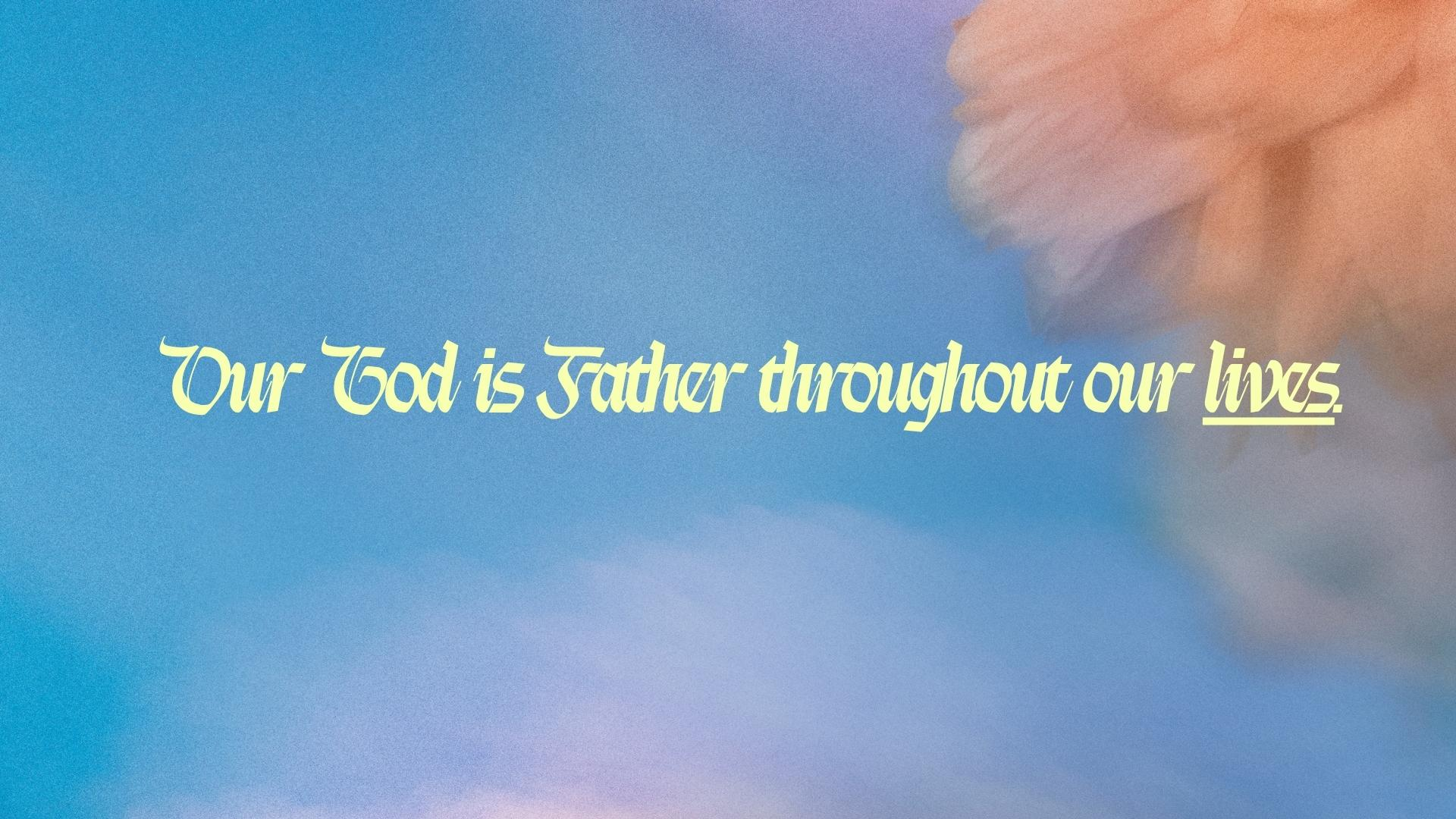
- Israel as God's 1st born son - Exodus 4:22-23
- The prophecies of the prophet Hosea - Hosea 11
- Jesus blesses the children

Our God is Father throughout the Bible:

- Israel as God's 1st born son - Exodus 4:22-23
- The prophecies of the prophet Hosea - Hosea 11
- Jesus blesses the children
- When Jesus teaches us how to pray

Our God is Father throughout the Bible:

- Israel as God's 1st born son - Exodus 4:22-23
- The prophecies of the prophet Hosea - Hosea 11
- Jesus blesses the children
- When Jesus teaches us how to pray
- Our adoption that was made possible because of Jesus



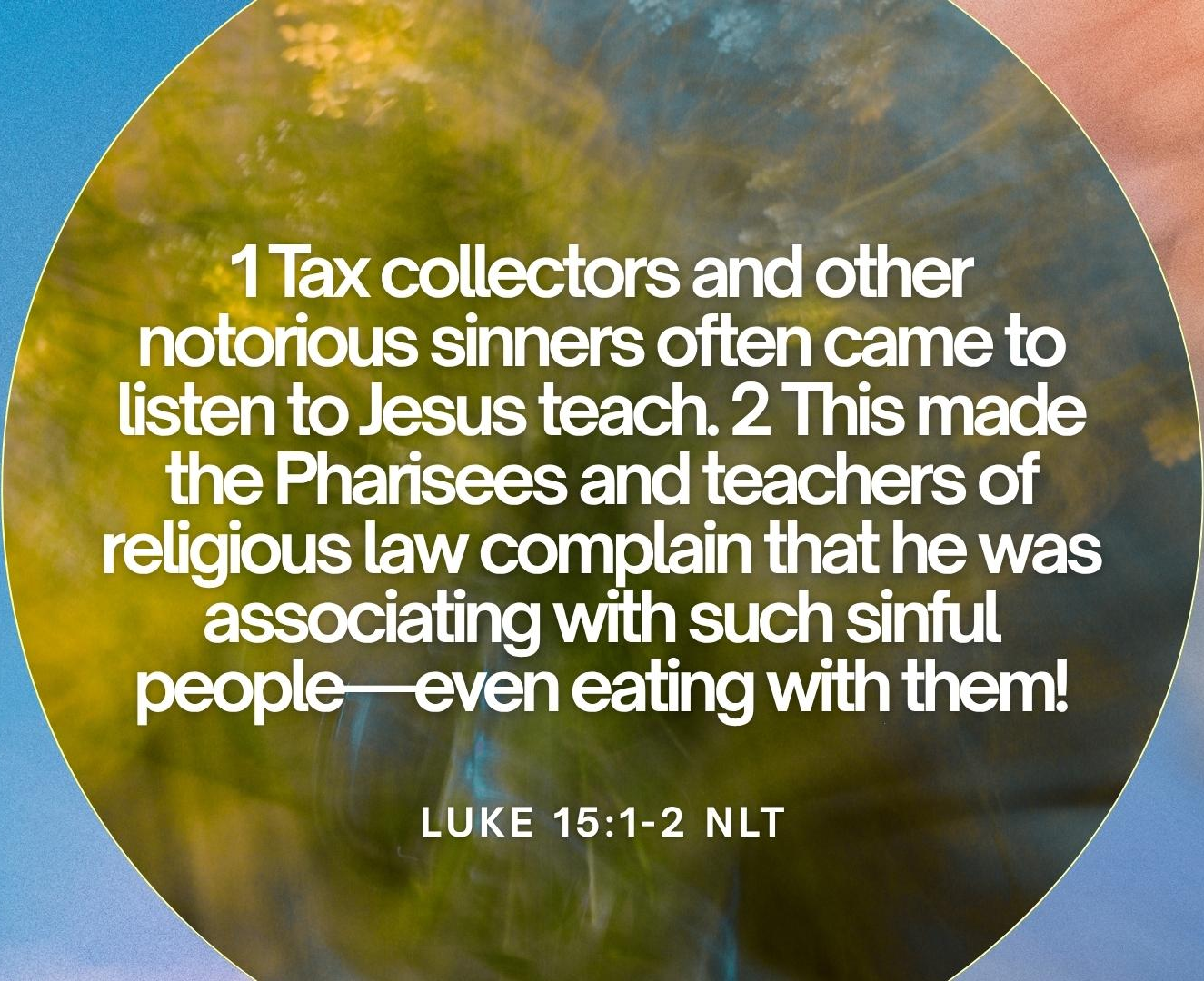
Our God is Father throughout our lives.

4 But when the right time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, subject to the law. 5 God sent him to buy freedom for us who were slaves to the law, so that he could adopt us as his very own children. 6 And because we are his children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, prompting us to call out, “Abba, Father.” 7 Now you are no longer a slave but God’s own child. And since you are his child, God has made you his heir.

GALATIANS 4:4-7 NLT

our God Is _____

**Your evaluation has the
potential to destroy
your encounter.**



1 Tax collectors and other notorious sinners often came to listen to Jesus teach. 2 This made the Pharisees and teachers of religious law complain that he was associating with such sinful people—even eating with them!

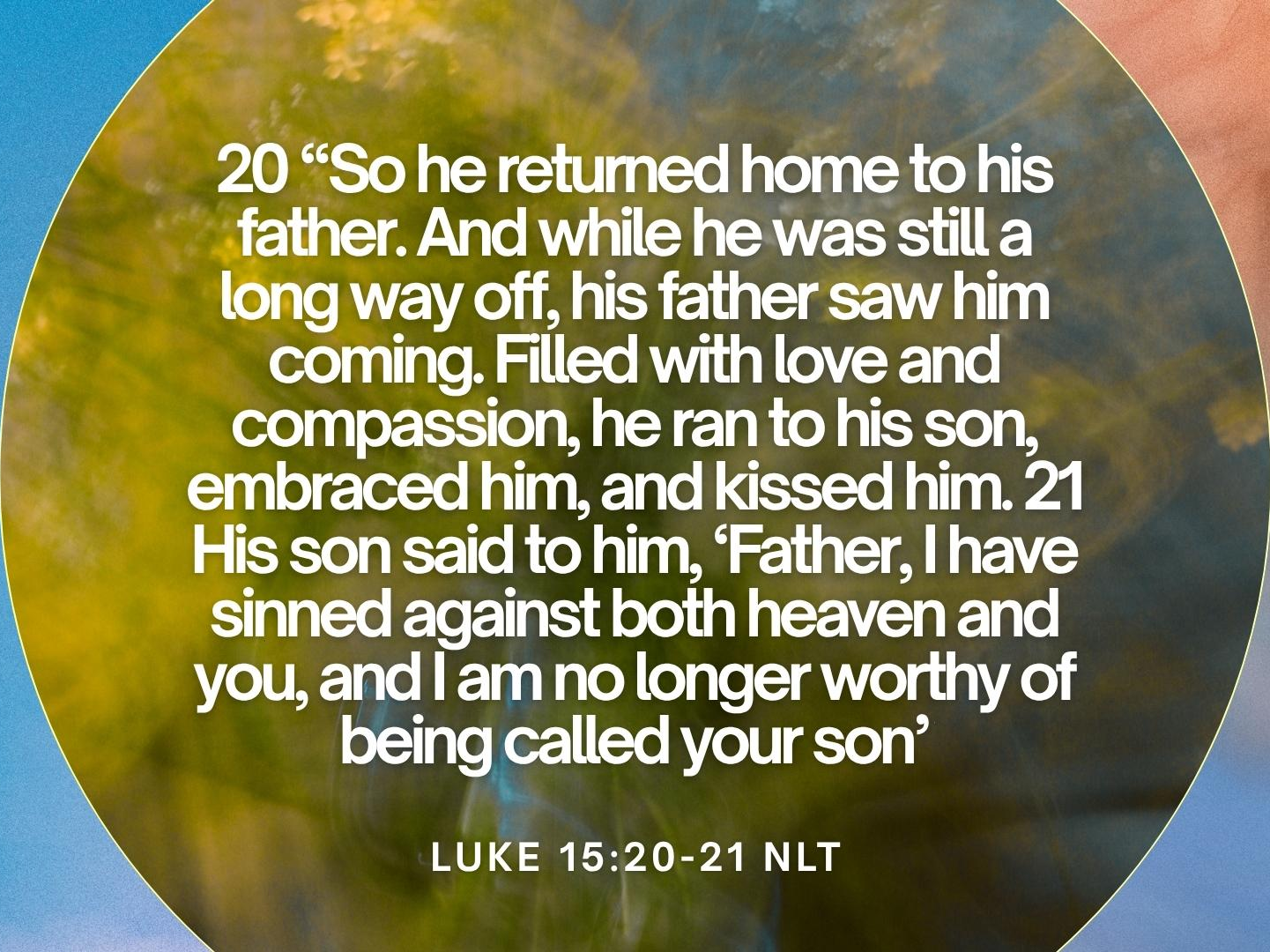
LUKE 15:1-2 NLT

11 To illustrate the point further, Jesus told them this story: “A man had two sons. 12 The younger son told his father, ‘I want my share of your estate now before you die.’ So his father agreed to divide his wealth between his sons. 13 “A few days later this younger son packed all his belongings and moved to a distant land, and there he wasted all his money in wild living. 14 About the time his money ran out, a great famine swept over the land, and he began to starve.

LUKE 15:11-14 NLT

15 He persuaded a local farmer to hire him, and the man sent him into his fields to feed the pigs. 16 The young man became so hungry that even the pods he was feeding the pigs looked good to him. But no one gave him anything. 17 “When he finally came to his senses, he said to himself, ‘At home even the hired servants have food enough to spare, and here I am dying of hunger! 18 I will go home to my father and say, “Father, I have sinned against both heaven and you, 19 and I am no longer worthy of being called your son. Please take me on as a hired servant.”’”

LUKE 15:15-19 NLT



20 “So he returned home to his father. And while he was still a long way off, his father saw him coming. Filled with love and compassion, he ran to his son, embraced him, and kissed him. 21 His son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against both heaven and you, and I am no longer worthy of being called your son’

LUKE 15:20-21 NLT

22 “But his father said to the servants, ‘Quick! Bring the finest robe in the house and put it on him. Get a ring for his finger and sandals for his feet. 23 And kill the calf we have been fattening. We must celebrate with a feast, 24 for this son of mine was dead and has now returned to life. He was lost, but now he is found.’ So the party began.

LUKE 15:22-24 NLT



our God Is _____

5 truths about our Heavenly Father:



our God Is _____

5 truths about our Heavenly Father:

-Our Father is for Freedom - Luke 15:12

our God Is _____

***Our Father will not force you to
love Him.***



our God Is _____

5 truths about our Heavenly Father:

-Our Father is actively waiting - Luke 15:20a

our God Is _____

***The picture we get from the
original Greek is the picture of a
runner in the blocks.***

our God Is _____

5 truths about our Heavenly Father:

-Our Father is graceful - Luke 15:18-19, 22

our God Is _____

***He doubts the love of the Father
because he refuses to
understand grace.***



our God Is _____

5 truths about our Heavenly Father:

-Our Father is a runner - Luke 15:20b

our God Is _____

***Our Father replaced proper with
passion for His child.***

our God Is _____

5 truths about our Heavenly Father:

-Our Father is a celebrator - Luke 15:23-24



The Father celebrates with 4 things:

The Father celebrates with 4 things:

-Giving a ring

The Father celebrates with 4 things:

-Giving a ring

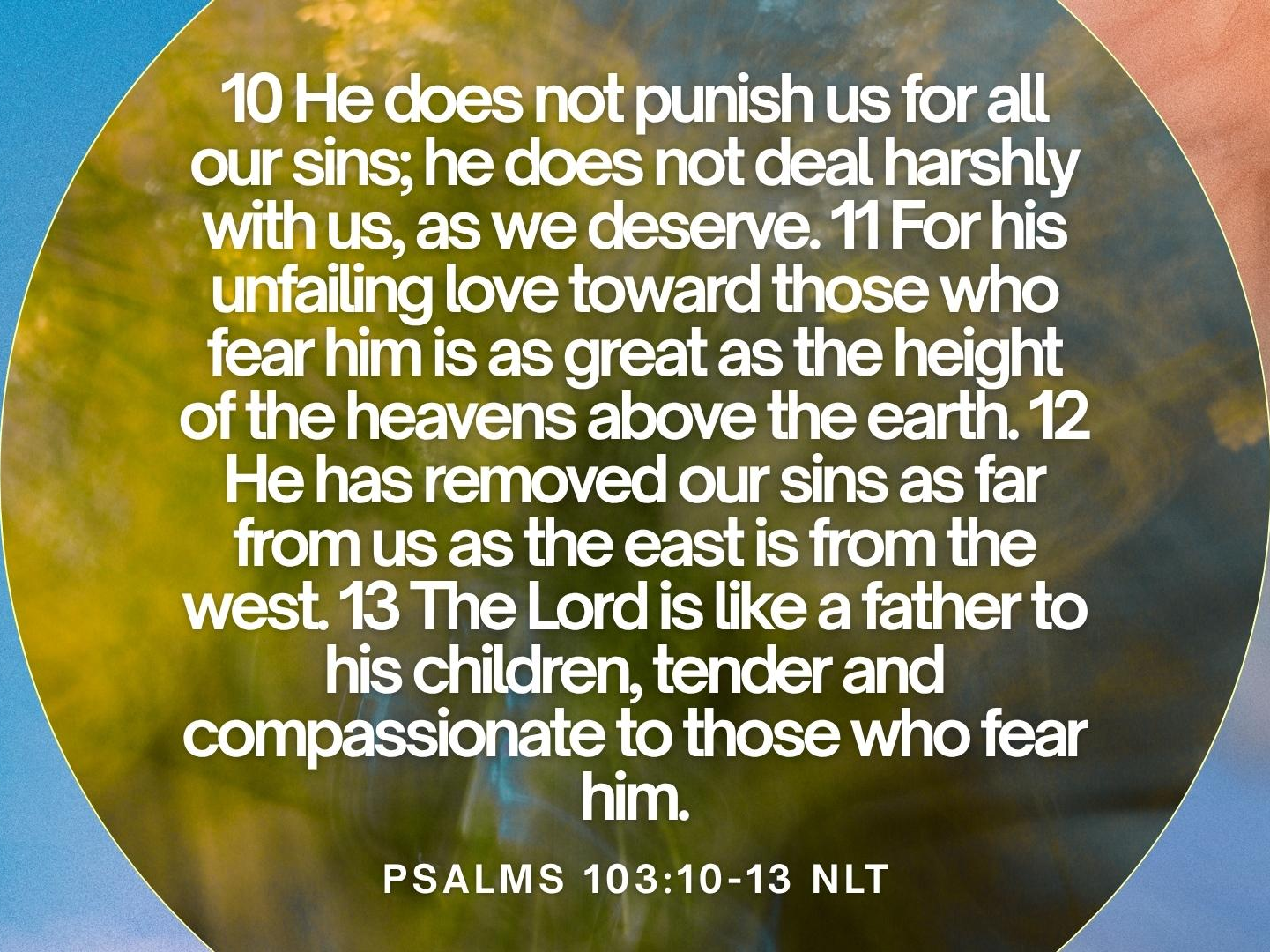
-Giving a robe

The Father celebrates with 4 things:

- Giving a ring
- Giving a robe
- Giving sandals

The Father celebrates with 4 things:

- Giving a ring
- Giving a robe
- Giving sandals
- Giving a party.

A circular graphic with a blue and green background, containing white text. The text is arranged in a paragraph format, with line breaks. The background of the circle features a soft, abstract pattern of blue and green hues, possibly representing a sky or water. The text is centered within the circle and is written in a clean, white, sans-serif font.

10 He does not punish us for all our sins; he does not deal harshly with us, as we deserve. 11 For his unfailing love toward those who fear him is as great as the height of the heavens above the earth. 12 He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west. 13 The Lord is like a father to his children, tender and compassionate to those who fear him.

PSALMS 103:10-13 NLT



**12 But to all who believed
him and accepted him,
he gave the right to
become children of God.**

JOHN 1:12 NLT