



A Psalm for All Seasons

Week 7: Savior of the World

Psalm 98

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An aerial photograph of a dense evergreen forest at night. The trees are illuminated from below, creating a vibrant green glow. The sky above is dark and filled with numerous stars, suggesting a clear night sky. The overall scene is serene and majestic.

I will **extol you**, my God and King, and
bless your name forever and ever.

Psalm 145:1 ESV


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**Psalms are Songs of Praise for
Gathered Worship.**



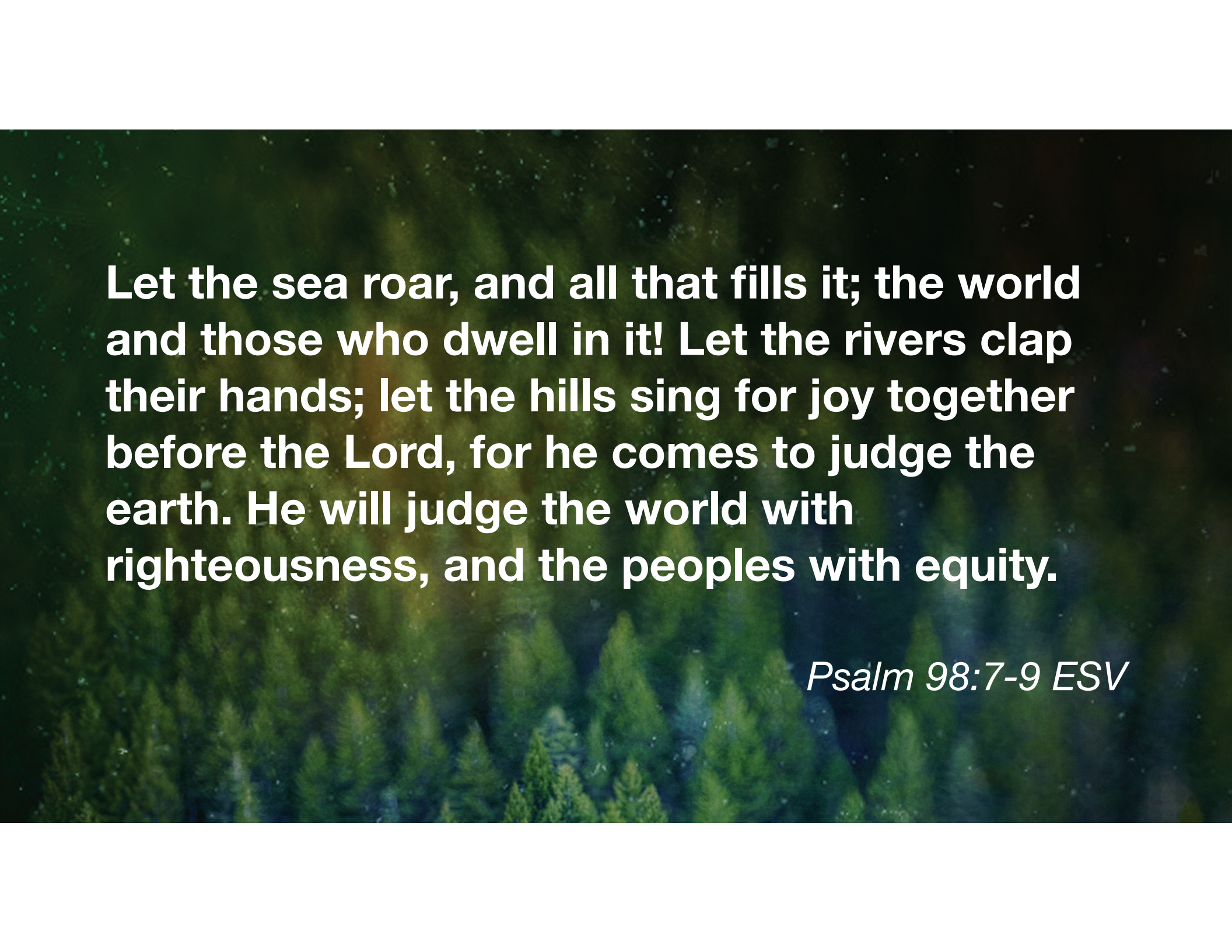
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Psalm 98:1-3 ESV



**Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises!
Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the
lyre and the sound of melody! With trumpets
and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise
before the King, the Lord!**

Psalm 98:4-6 ESV




Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it! Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together before the Lord, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

Psalm 98:7-9 ESV

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1. Salvation to the Ends of the Earth



Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His **right hand** and his **holy arm** have worked salvation for him. The Lord has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Psalm 98:1-3 ESV


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Right Hand: place of importance,
power, equality

Holy Arm: the arm is representative of
power and action

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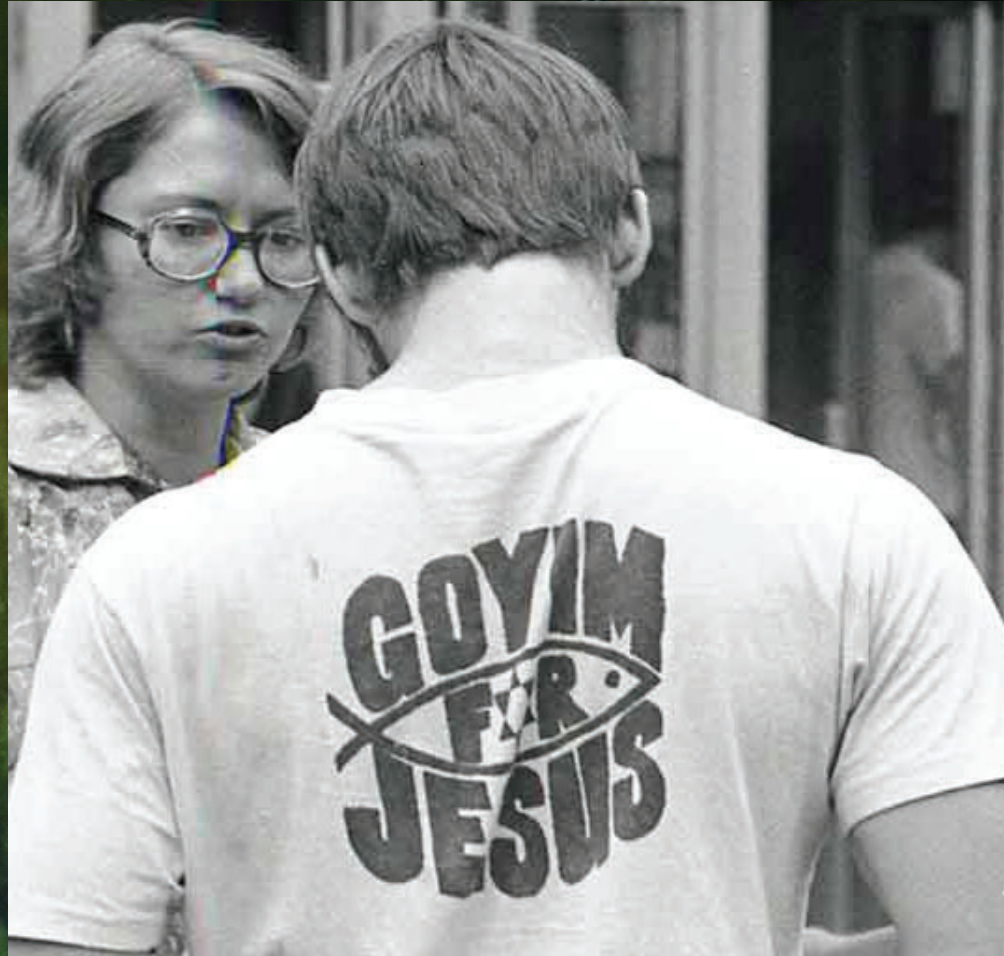
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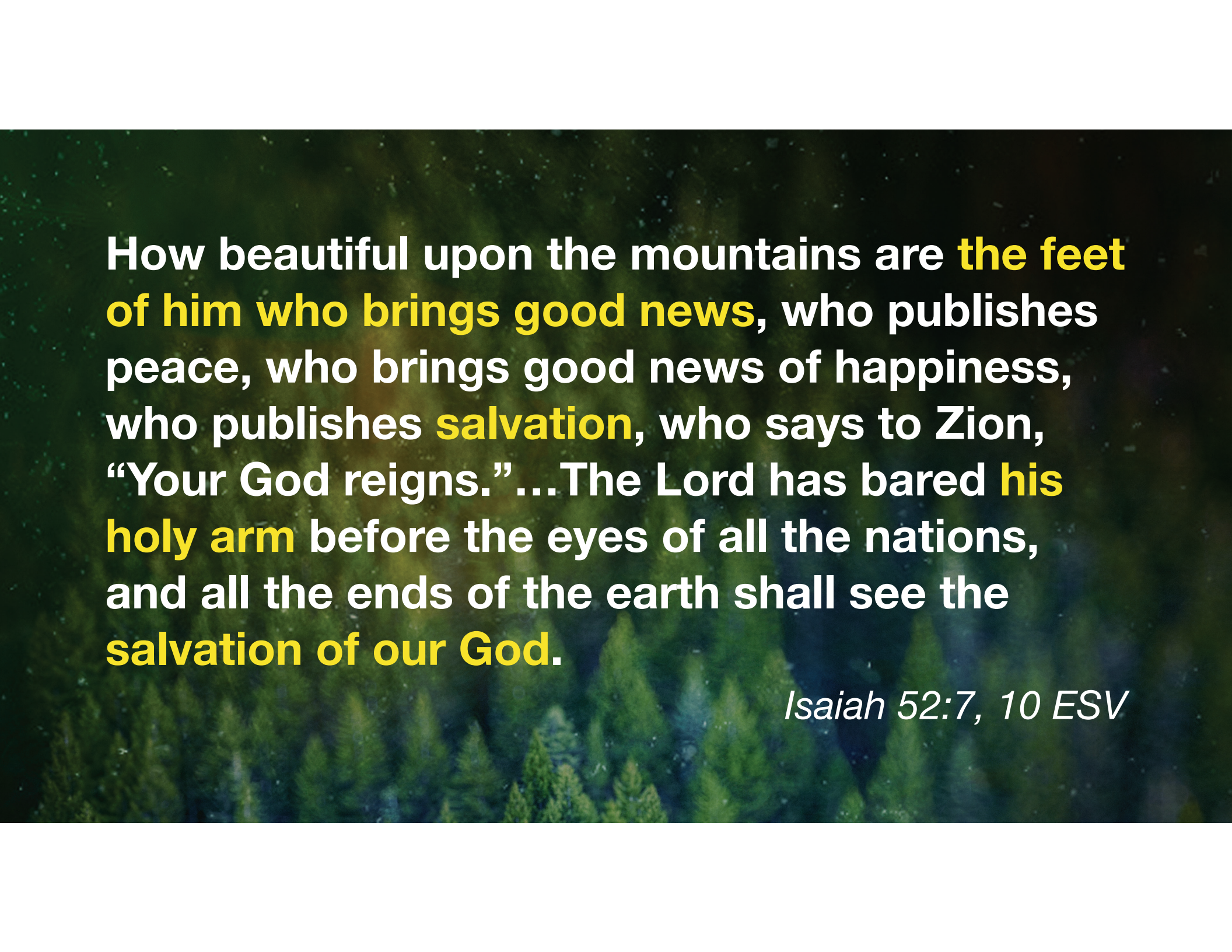
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Salvation: Deliverance, victory, help.

Nations: goyim – pagan nations





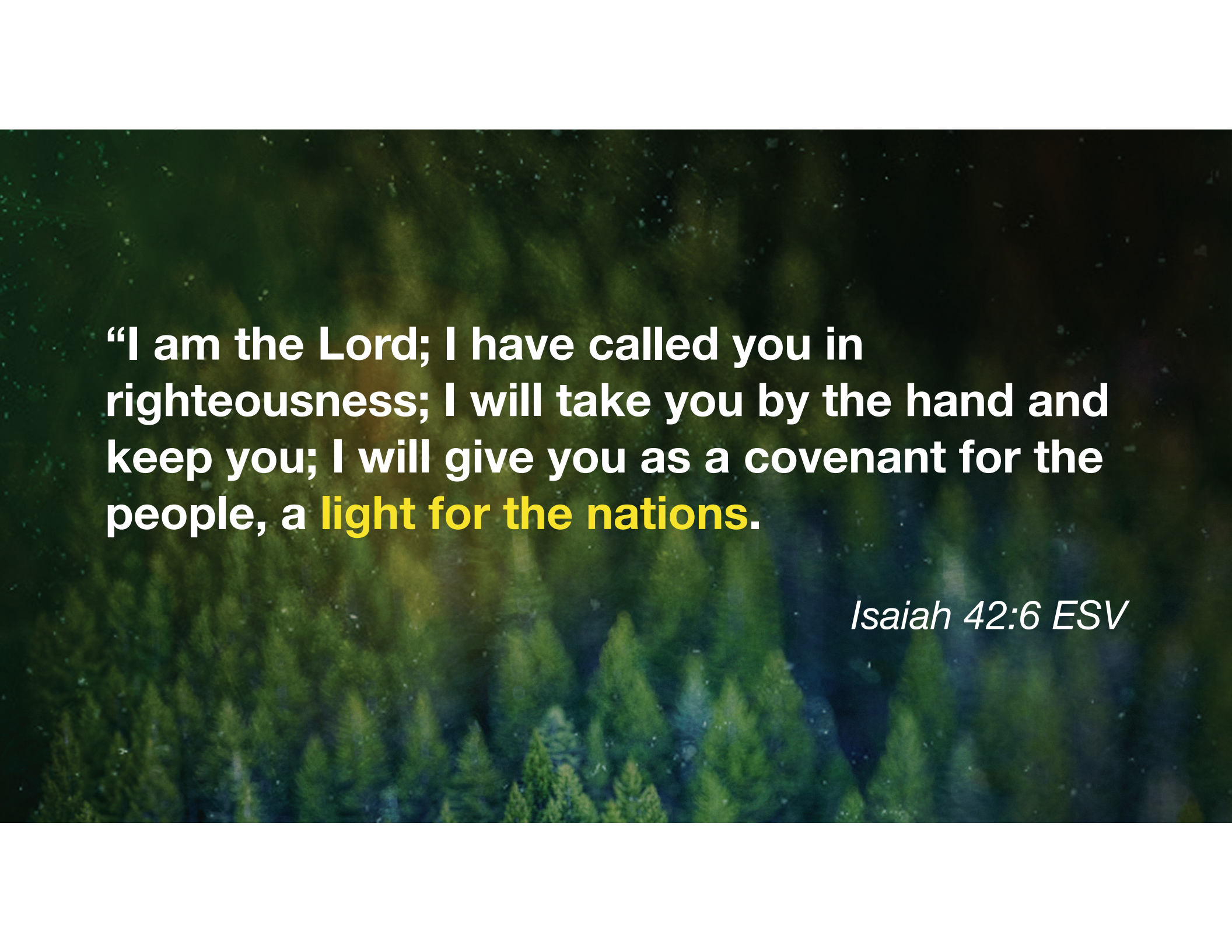
How beautiful upon the mountains are **the feet of him who brings good news**, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes **salvation**, who says to Zion, “Your God reigns.” ...The Lord has bared **his holy arm** before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the **salvation of our God.**

Isaiah 52:7, 10 ESV

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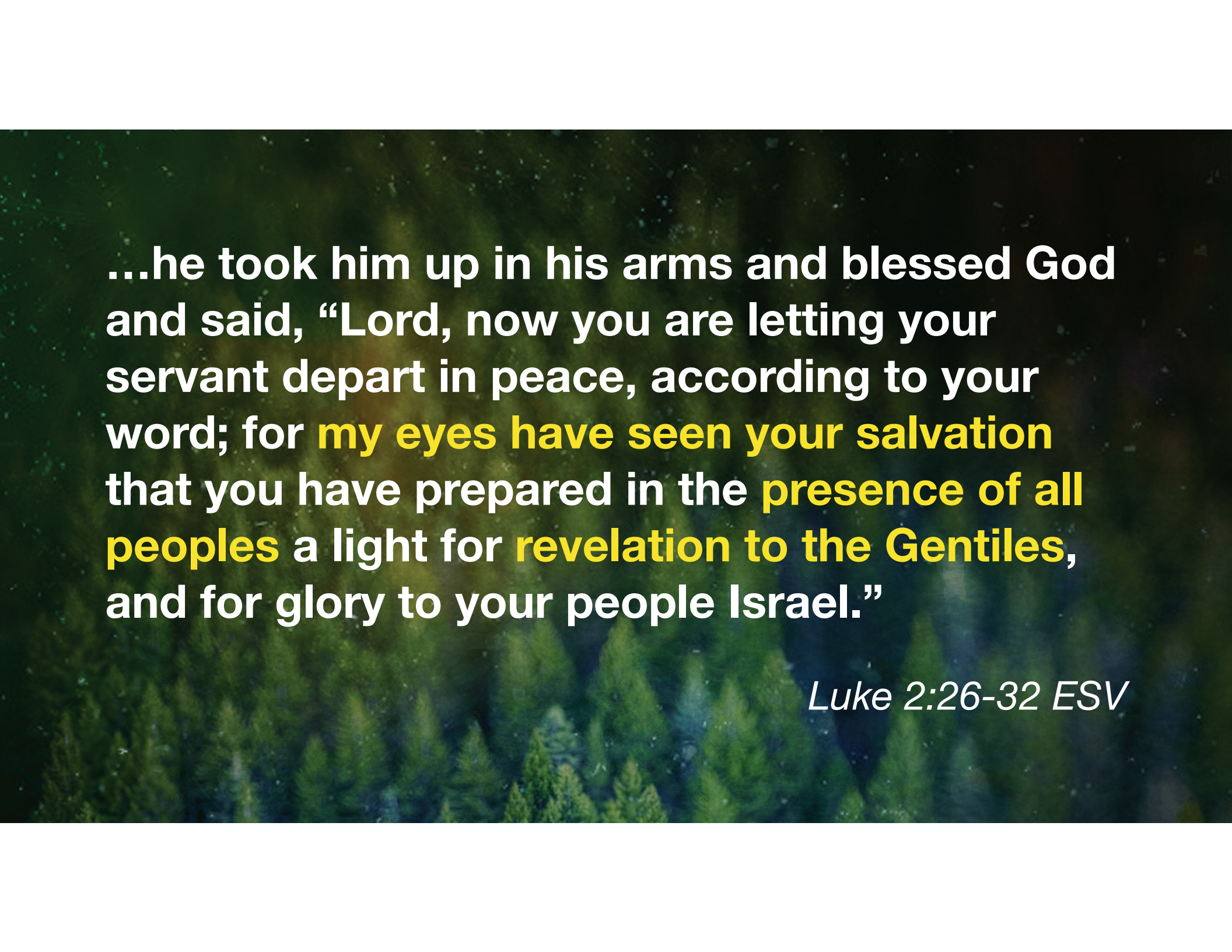
**As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet
of those who preach the good news!”**

Romans 10:15 ESV



“I am the Lord; I have called you in
righteousness; I will take you by the hand and
keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the
people, a **light for the nations.**

Isaiah 42:6 ESV



...he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said, “Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; for **my eyes have seen your salvation** that you have prepared in the **presence of all peoples** a light for **revelation to the Gentiles**, and for glory to your people Israel.”

Luke 2:26-32 ESV

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**All the ends of the earth have seen the
salvation of our God.**

Psalm 98:3 ESV

2. All People Should Worship the Rightful King

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, **all the earth**; break forth into joyous song and sing praises! Sing praises to the Lord with the **lyre**, with the lyre and the sound of melody! With **trumpets** and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord!

Psalm 98:4-6 ESV

Earth: eres – ground, territory, country.
Sense = humankind

Lyre: an instrument in the harp family

Trumpet: Hatsotserah – trumpet made out of metal or a horn. Used to summon the people



“Make two silver trumpets. Of hammered work you shall make them, and you shall use them for **summoning the congregation and for **breaking camp**.”**

Numbers 10:2 ESV

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Horn: Shofar – animal horn used as a trumpet.

Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus **every knee should bow**, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and **every tongue confess** that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Philippians 2:9-11 ESV

3. All Creation Joins Mankind in Praise

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it! Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together before the Lord, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

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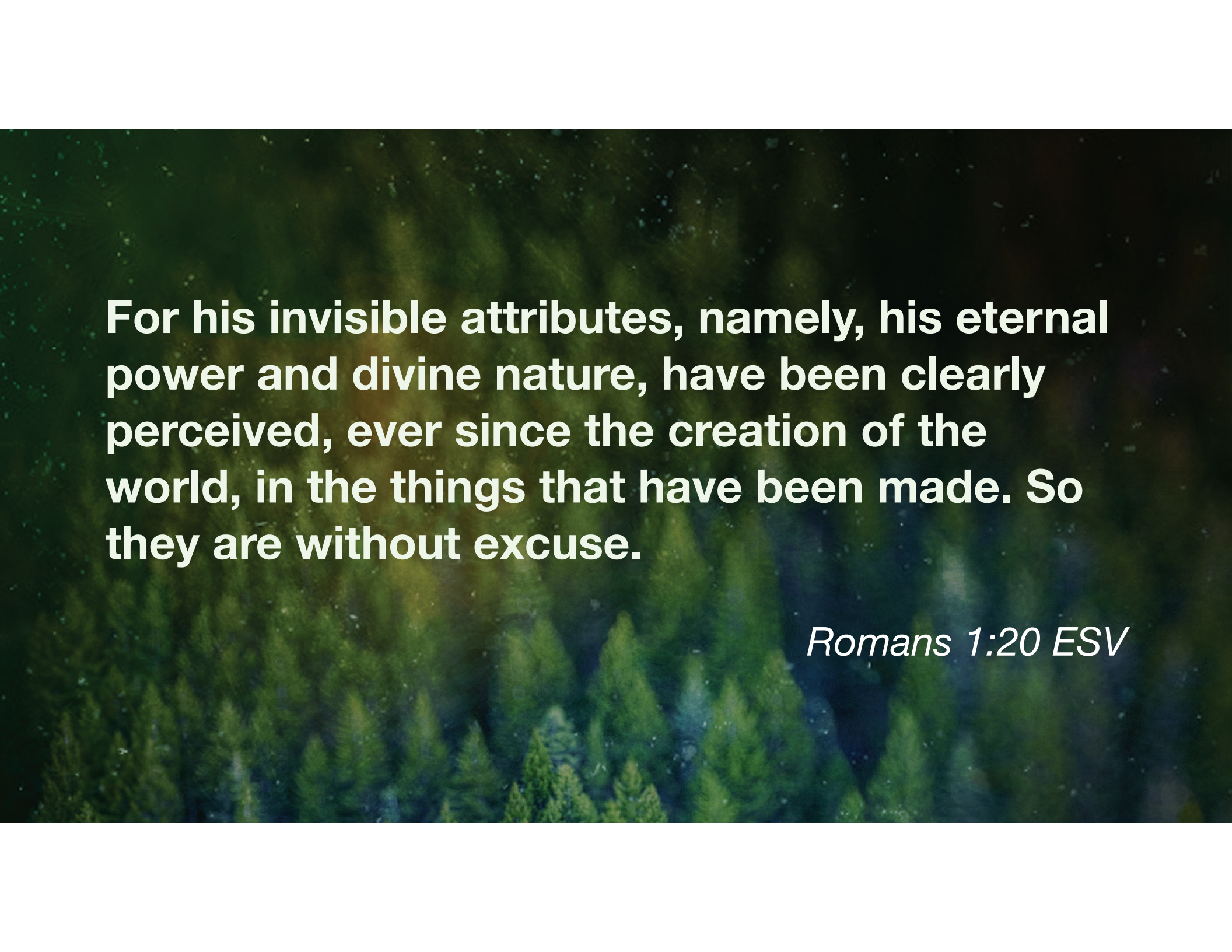
World: Tebel; firm dry land. sense: all the people of the world.

Peoples: – human beings of particular nation or ethnic group.




**The heavens declare the glory of God, and
the sky above proclaims his handiwork.**

Psalm 19:1 ESV



For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse.

Romans 1:20 ESV

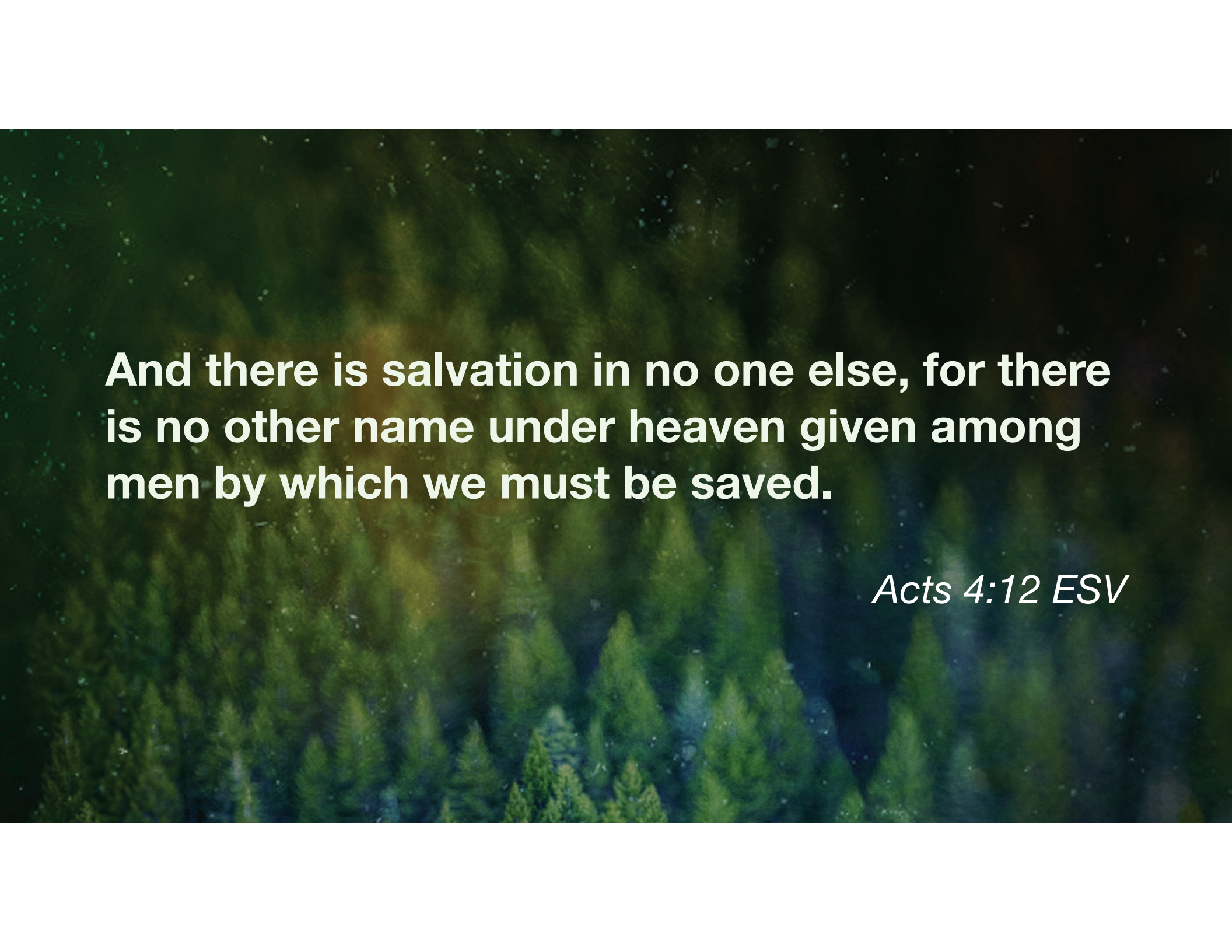
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Equity: evenness, uprightness,
fairness. Coming together to make
smooth, an agreement.

1. Embrace God's Salvation Through Christ

**For to us a child is born, to us a son is given;
and the government shall be upon his
shoulder, and his name shall be called
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

Isaiah 9:6 ESV

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And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.

Acts 4:12 ESV

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**But to all who did receive him, who believed
in his name, he gave the right to become
children of God...**

John 1:12 ESV

2. Celebrate God's Salvation in You

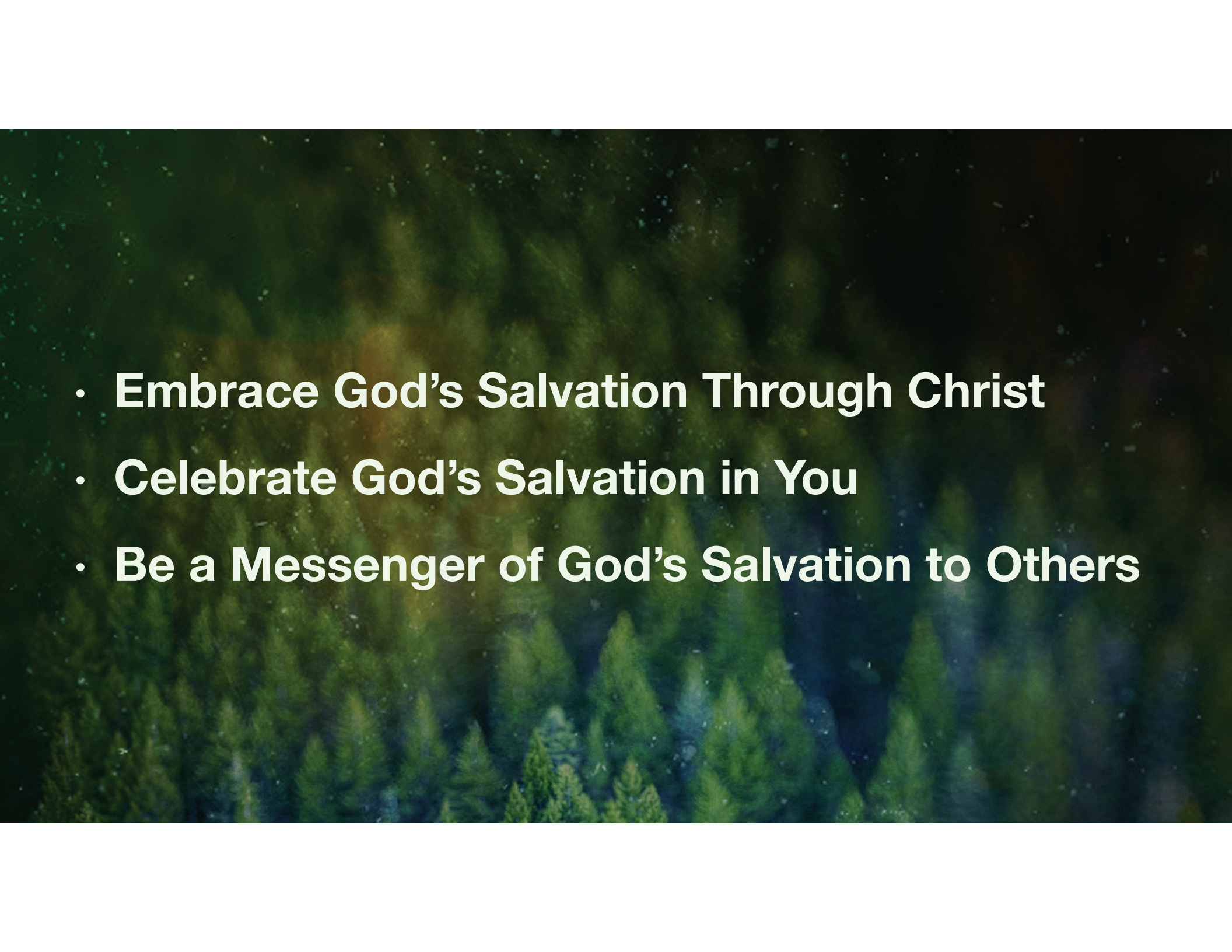
“Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.” He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, **the very stones would cry out.**”

Luke 19:38-40 ESV

3. Be a Messenger of God's Salvation To Others

How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, **“How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!”**

Romans 10:14-15 ESV

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