A circular frame containing a scenic landscape. In the foreground, a calm lake with turquoise water reflects the sky. The middle ground is a dense forest of dark green trees. In the background, rugged, dark brown mountains rise, with patches of white snow or ice visible on their slopes. Wispy white clouds are scattered across the upper part of the mountain range. A dashed white circle outlines the entire scene. A small white dot is positioned on the left side of the circle, near the middle.

*And above all these
put on love,*

*which binds everything together in perfect unity.
Colossians 3:14*



Shofar Christian Church

My Creation and my Worship

Werner Joubert

Why were we Created?

(Isa 43:6 ESV) I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth,
(Isa 43:7 ESV) everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.”

(1Co 10:31 ESV) So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.



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**My Creation and my Worship
or**

**The effect my nature has on
my worship**

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God Created us in His own Image

(Gen 1:26 ESV) Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

(Gen 2:7 ESV) then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature.

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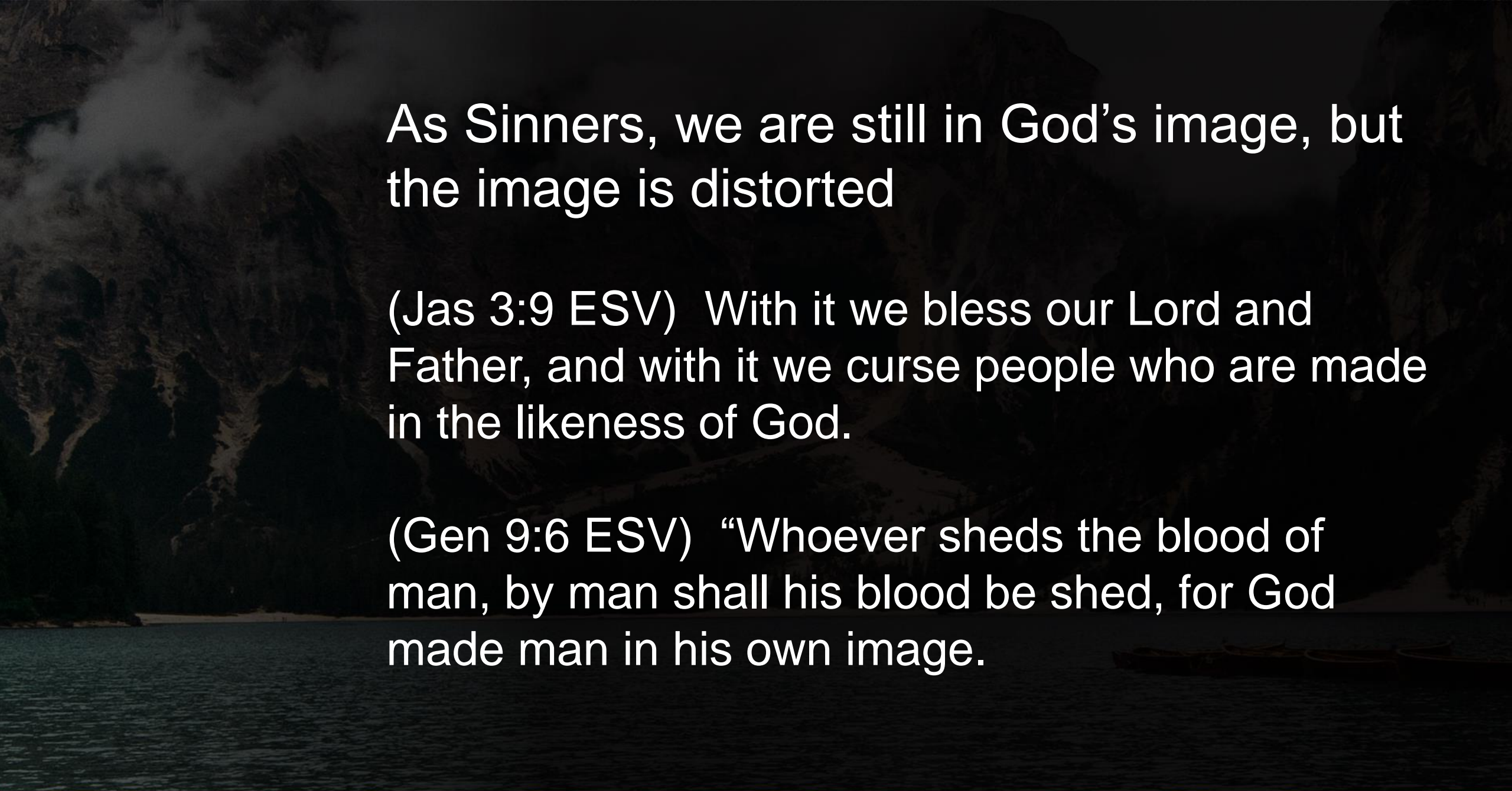
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- 5) Free Will*: I will work in the garden, I reject that, I embrace that, I hate that

Jesus = The Image of God

(2Co 4:4 ESV) In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

(Heb 1:3 ESV) He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,



As Sinners, we are still in God's image, but
the image is distorted

(Jas 3:9 ESV) With it we bless our Lord and
Father, and with it we curse people who are made
in the likeness of God.

(Gen 9:6 ESV) “Whoever sheds the blood of
man, by man shall his blood be shed, for God
made man in his own image.

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Jesus wants us to worship in the Spirit

(Joh 4:23 ESV) But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him.

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(2Co 3:18 ESV) And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

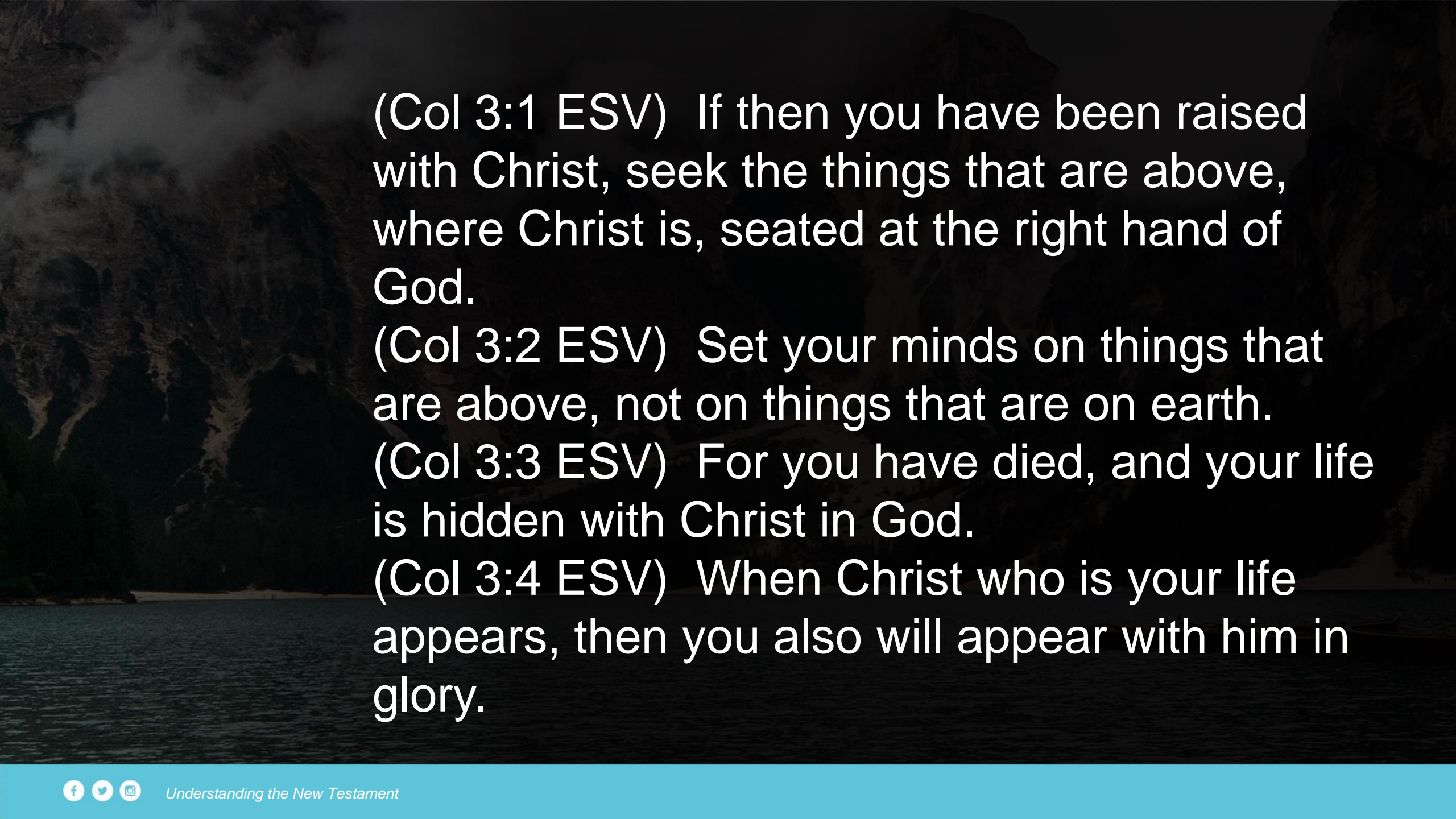
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(Col 3:9 ESV) Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices

(Col 3:10 ESV) and have put on the new self, which is *being renewed in knowledge* after the image of its creator.

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(Col 3:1 ESV) If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

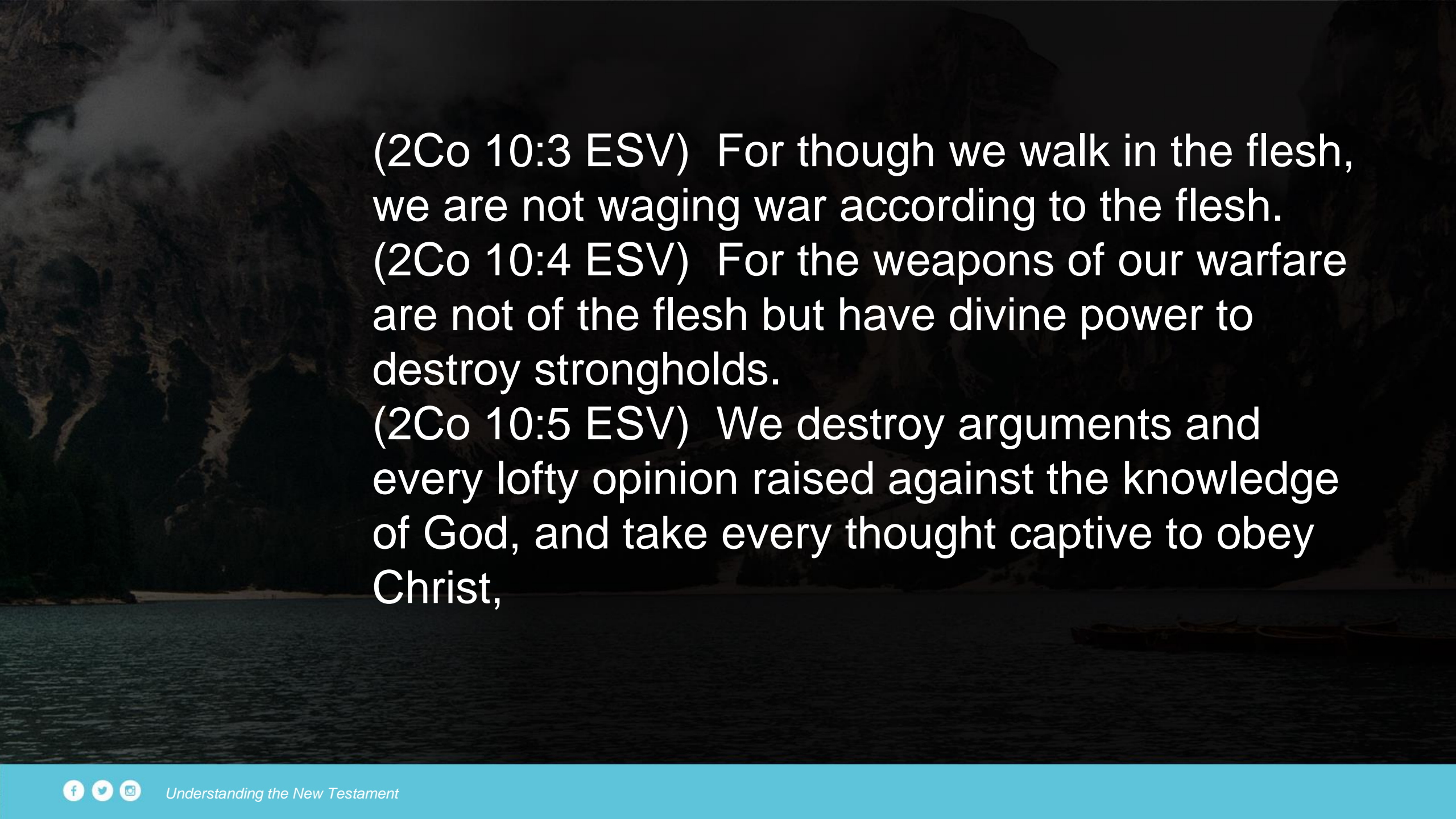
(Col 3:2 ESV) Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

(Col 3:3 ESV) For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

(Col 3:4 ESV) When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

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are not of the flesh but have divine power to
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(2Co 10:5 ESV) We destroy arguments and
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