



How Well Does God Know Me?

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- “For thus says the LORD: After seventy years are completed at Babylon, I will visit you and perform My good word toward you, and cause you to return to this place. 11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. 12 Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. 13 And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart.”



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- There are nearly eight billion people living on the face of the earth. Imagine every person in the world lined up shoulder to shoulder in rows of 100 across. The line of people that would be formed would reach around the world at the equator one and a third times.
 - In a number of that size, it is possible that I may see myself as very insignificant.
 - “The Lord doesn’t have time for me.”
 - “The Lord is too busy looking after the universe.”



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- The Bible teaches us that God knows everything there is to know about each of the eight billion humans alive on the earth as well as every detail of everyone who ever lived.
 - That number is estimated to be 107 billion persons.
 - That is 321 times the population of the United States.
 - It is 4,954 times the population of Florida.



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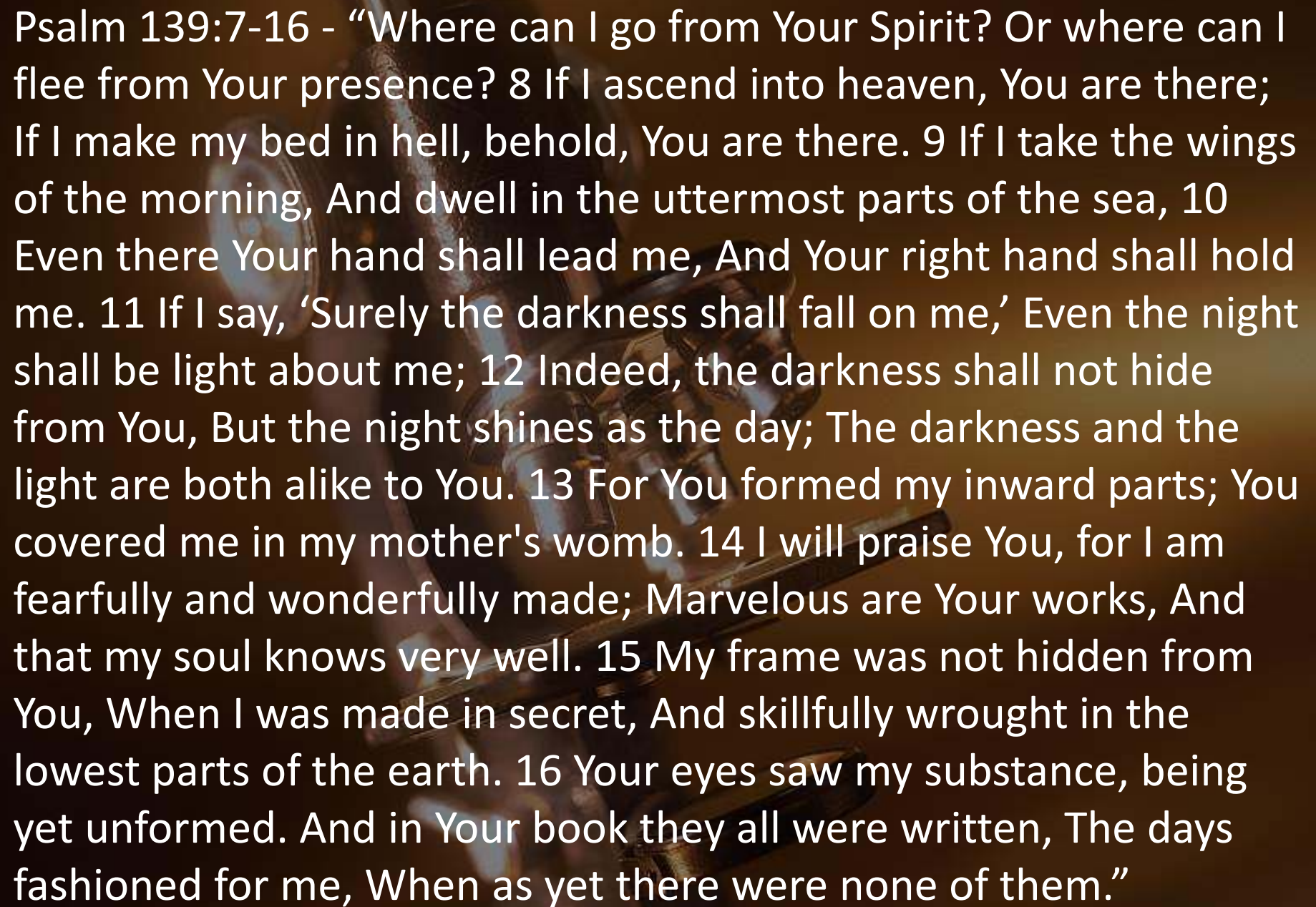
- God's knowledge of me is individual, not just another member of the vast human race.
 - Jer. 29:11 - “For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD...”

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- God's knowledge of me is intimate.
 - Matt. 10:29-31 - "Are not two sparrows sold for a copper coin? And not one of them falls to the ground apart from your Father's will. 30 But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. 31 Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows."

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- God's knowledge of me is infinite.
 - Psalm 139:1-6 - "O LORD, You have searched me and known me. 2 You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off. 3 You comprehend my path and my lying down, And are acquainted with all my ways. 4 For there is not a word on my tongue, But behold, O LORD, You know it altogether. 5 You have hedged me behind and before, And laid Your hand upon me. 6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is high, I cannot attain it."



Psalm 139:7-16 - “Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? 8 If I ascend into heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there. 9 If I take the wings of the morning, And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, 10 Even there Your hand shall lead me, And Your right hand shall hold me. 11 If I say, ‘Surely the darkness shall fall on me,’ Even the night shall be light about me; 12 Indeed, the darkness shall not hide from You, But the night shines as the day; The darkness and the light are both alike to You. 13 For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb. 14 I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well. 15 My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. 16 Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When as yet there were none of them.”

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- God's knowledge of me is instant.
 - Job 42:2 - "I know that You can do everything, And that no purpose of Yours can be withheld from You."
 - Prov. 21:2 - "Every way of a man is right in his own eyes, But the LORD weighs the hearts."
 - Prov. 15:3 - "The eyes of the LORD are in every place, Keeping watch on the evil and the good."
 - Isa. 46:10 - "Declaring the end from the beginning, And from ancient times things that are not yet done, Saying, 'My counsel shall stand, And I will do all My pleasure.'"



What Is Revealed By God's Knowledge Of Me?

- God knows about my sins.
 - Gen. 3:8-11 - “And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. 9 Then the LORD God called to Adam and said to him, ‘Where are you?’ 10 So he said, ‘I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself.’ 11 And He said, ‘Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you that you should not eat?’”



What Is Revealed By God's Knowledge Of Me?

- Heb. 4:13 - "And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account"
- Job 14:16 - "For now You number my steps, But do not watch over my sin."
- Psalm 90:8 - "You have set our iniquities before You, Our secret sins in the light of Your countenance."



What Is Revealed By God's Knowledge Of Me?

- Prov. 28:13 - "He who covers his sins will not prosper, But whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy."
- 1John 1:8-10 - "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us."



What Is Revealed By God's Knowledge Of Me?

- God knows about my situations.
 - Job 23:10 - “But He knows the way that I take; When He has tested me, I shall come forth as gold.”
- He knows all about it; He is there with me.
 - Heb. 13:5 - “...For He Himself has said, ‘I will never leave you nor forsake you.’”
 - Matt. 28:20 - “...And lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”



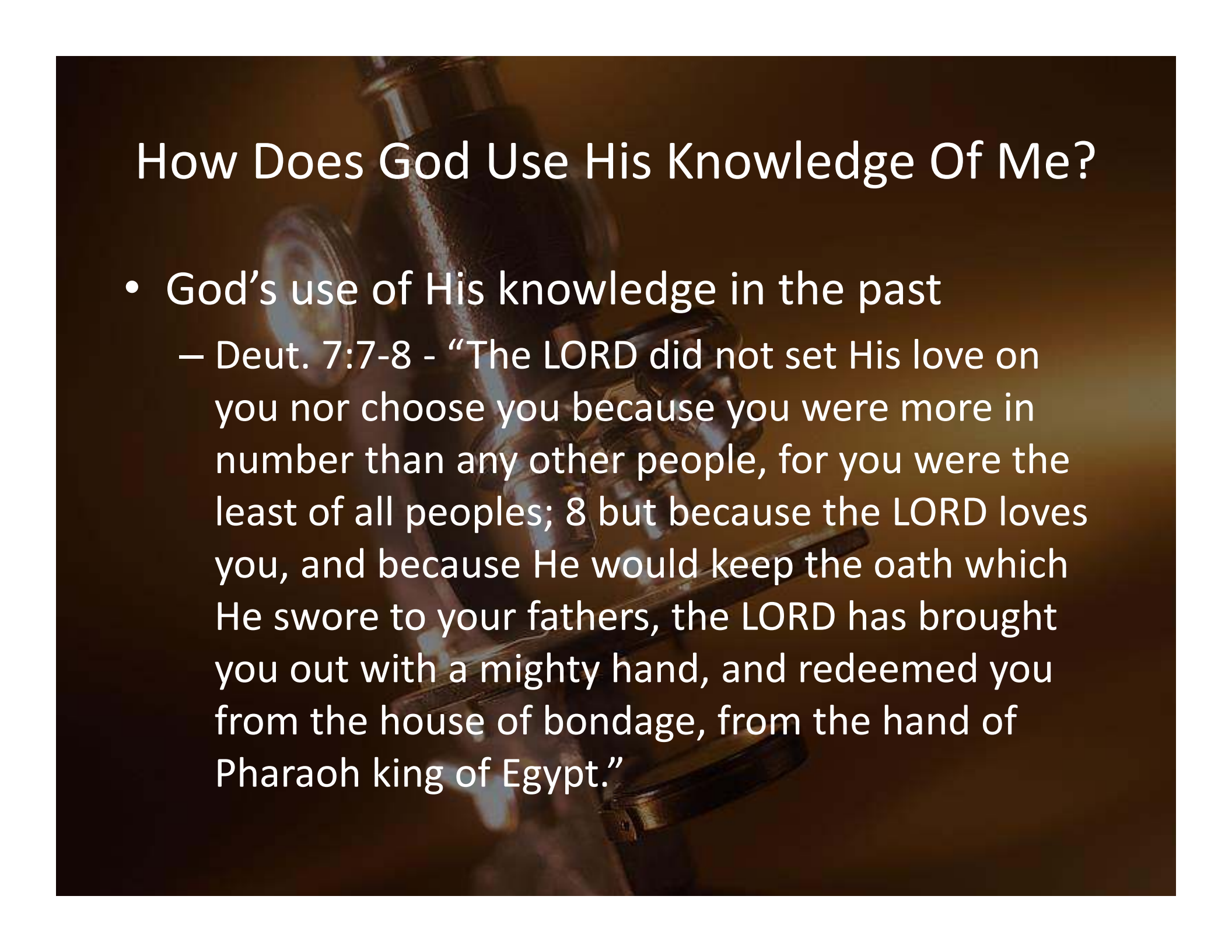
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- He cares about what I am facing.
 - 1Peter 5:7 - "Casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you."
 - Heb. 4:15 - "For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin."



What Is Revealed By God's Knowledge Of Me?

- He has promised to bring me through.
 - 1Cor. 10:13 - “No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it.”
- He has promised me rest and peace in the middle of toil and turmoil.
 - Matt. 11:28 - “Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”



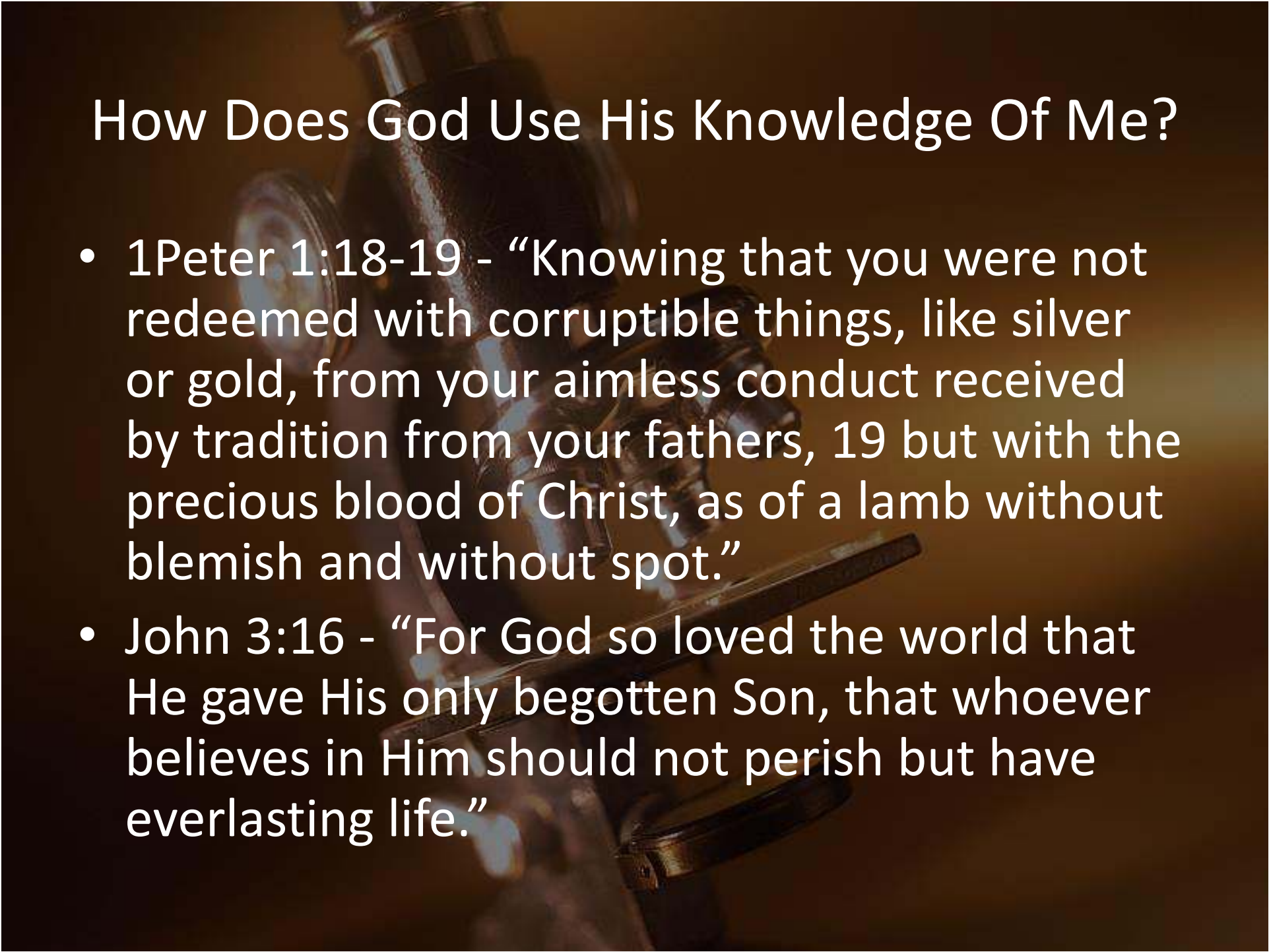
How Does God Use His Knowledge Of Me?

- God's use of His knowledge in the past
 - Deut. 7:7-8 - "The LORD did not set His love on you nor choose you because you were more in number than any other people, for you were the least of all peoples; 8 but because the LORD loves you, and because He would keep the oath which He swore to your fathers, the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you from the house of bondage, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt."



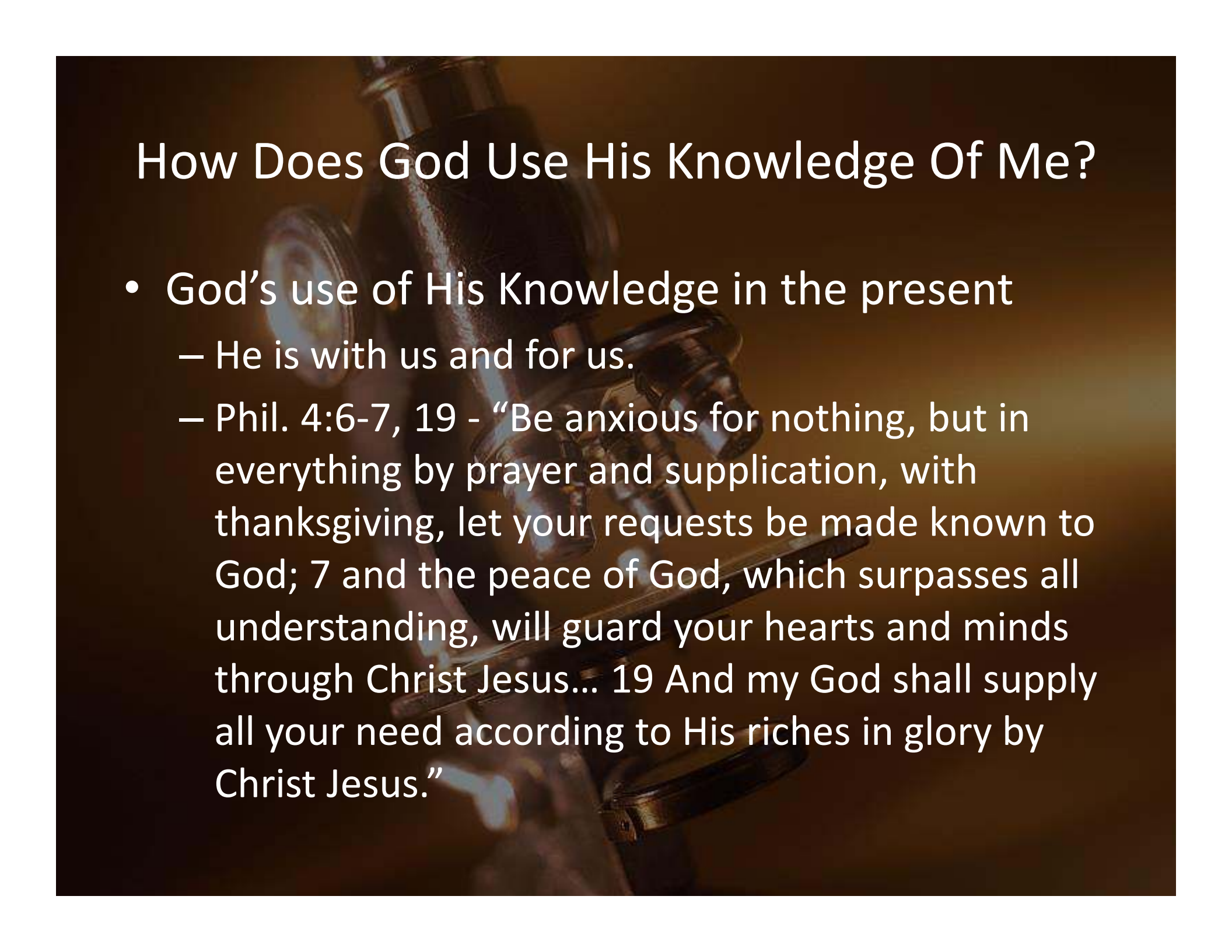
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- Rev. 13:8 - “All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names have not been written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.”
- Eph. 1:4 - “Just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love.”
- Titus 1:2 - “In hope of eternal life which God, who cannot lie, promised before time began.”



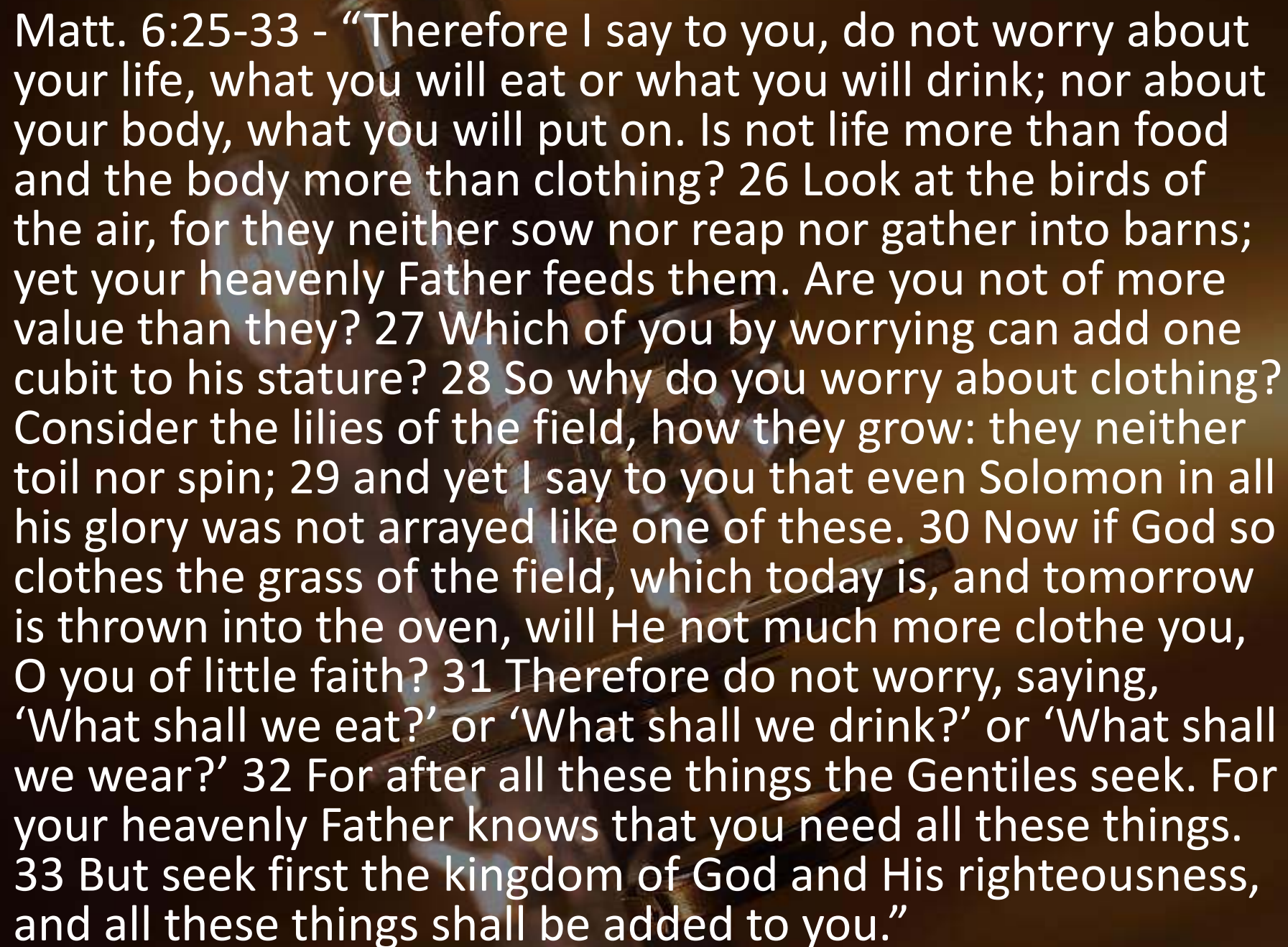
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- 1Peter 1:18-19 - “Knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.”
- John 3:16 - “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”



How Does God Use His Knowledge Of Me?

- God's use of His Knowledge in the present
 - He is with us and for us.
 - Phil. 4:6-7, 19 - "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; 7 and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus... 19 And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus."



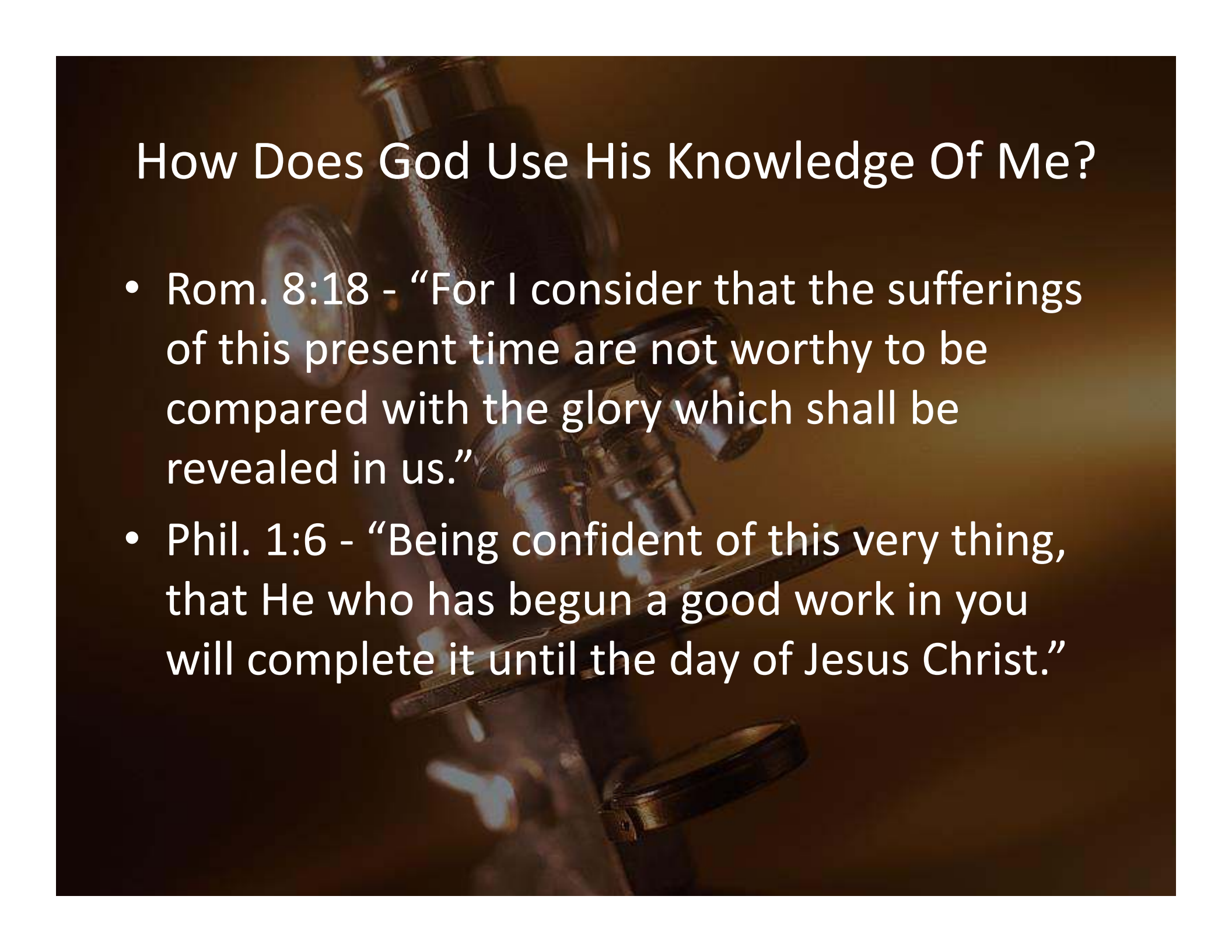
Matt. 6:25-33 - "Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? 26 Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? 27 Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature? 28 So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; 29 and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. 30 Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? 31 Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' 32 For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. 33 But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you."

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- Even in hardship... The prodigal son would not have gone home if it hadn't been for the time he spent starving in the hog pen
 - Luke 15:14-20 - "But when he had spent all, there arose a severe famine in that land, and he began to be in want. 15 Then he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. 16 And he would gladly have filled his stomach with the pods that the swine ate, and no one gave him anything. 17 But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! 18 I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you, 19 and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants."' 20 And he arose and came to his father..."

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- God's use of His knowledge in promise
 - 2Cor. 4:16-18 - "Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day. 17 For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, 18 while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal."



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- Rom. 8:18 - “For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.”
- Phil. 1:6 - “Being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ.”