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John 20:31

What Evidence that Jesus is God?

Seven "Signs" in Ministry
for Those With Eyes to See



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Seven “Signs” of Jesus Identity

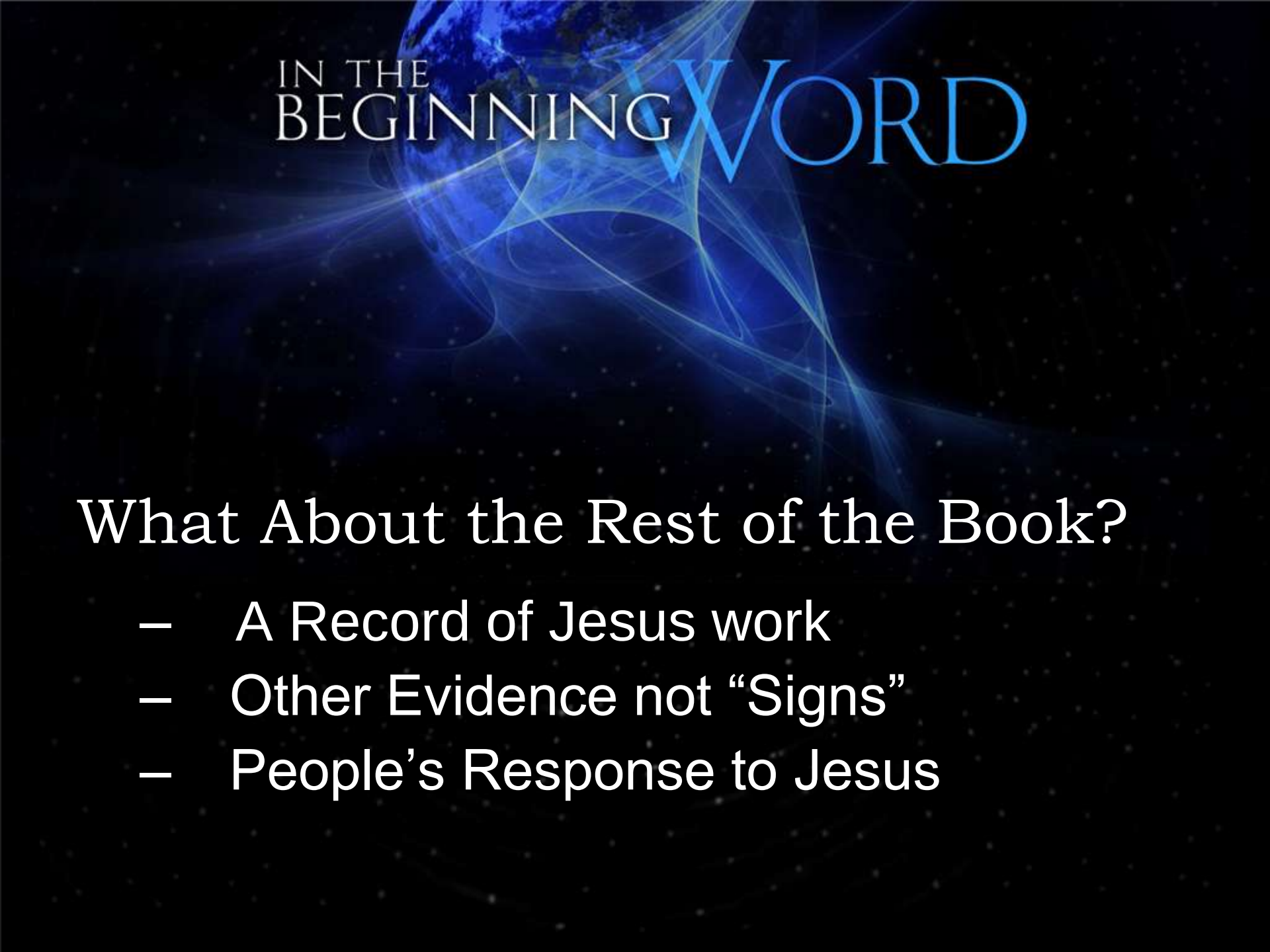
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| 1. Water into Wine | John 2:1-11 |
| 2. Official's Son Healed | John 4:43-54 |
| 3. Lame Man Walks | John 5:1-15 |
| 4. Feeding 5000 | John 6:1-14 |



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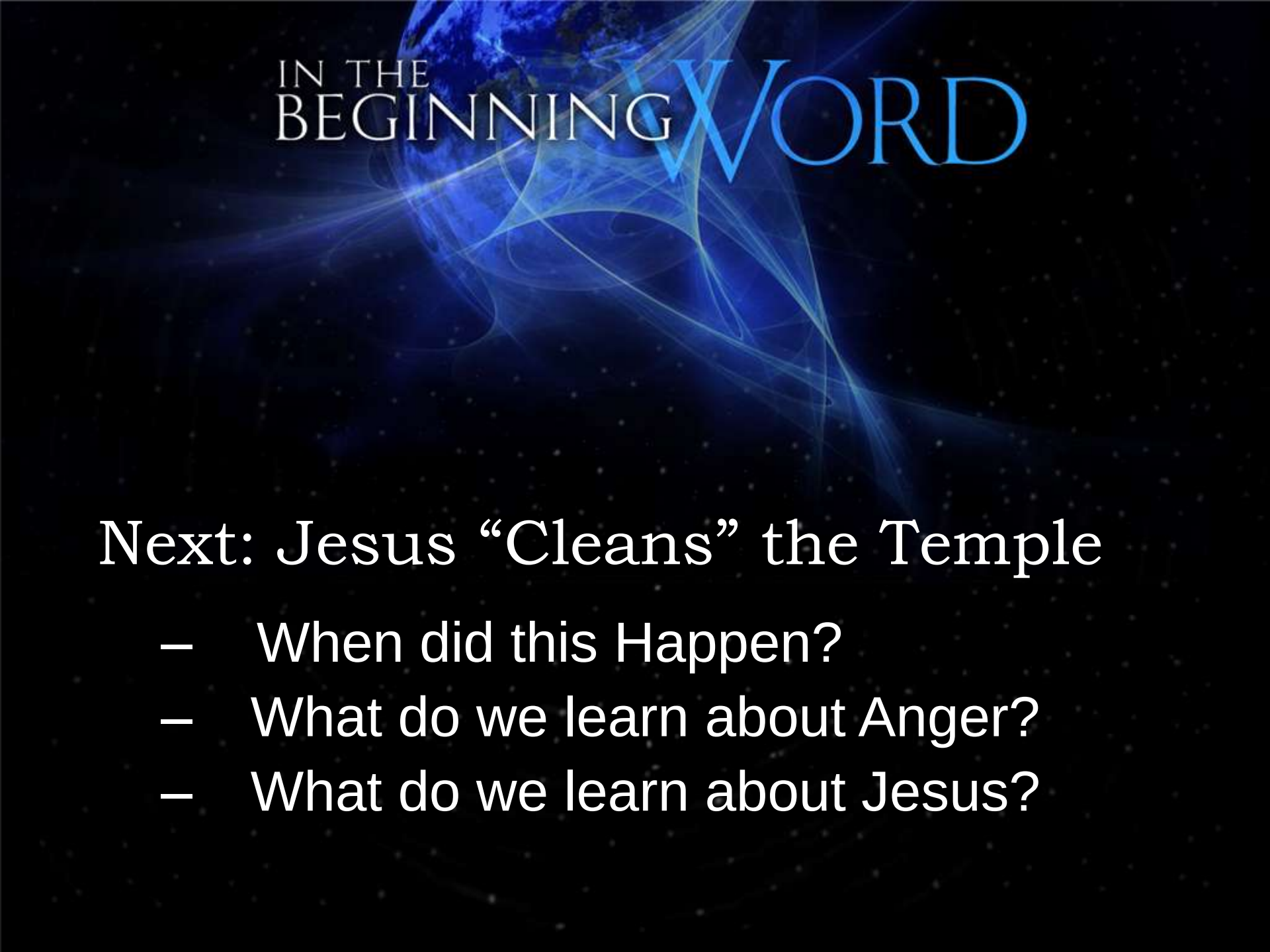
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| 5. Walking on Water | John 6:15-21 |
| 6. Healing the Blind | John 9:1-14 |
| 7. Raising Lazarus | John 11:1-44 |
| ❖ Miraculous Catch | John 21:6-11 |



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What About the Rest of the Book?

- A Record of Jesus work
- Other Evidence not “Signs”
- People’s Response to Jesus



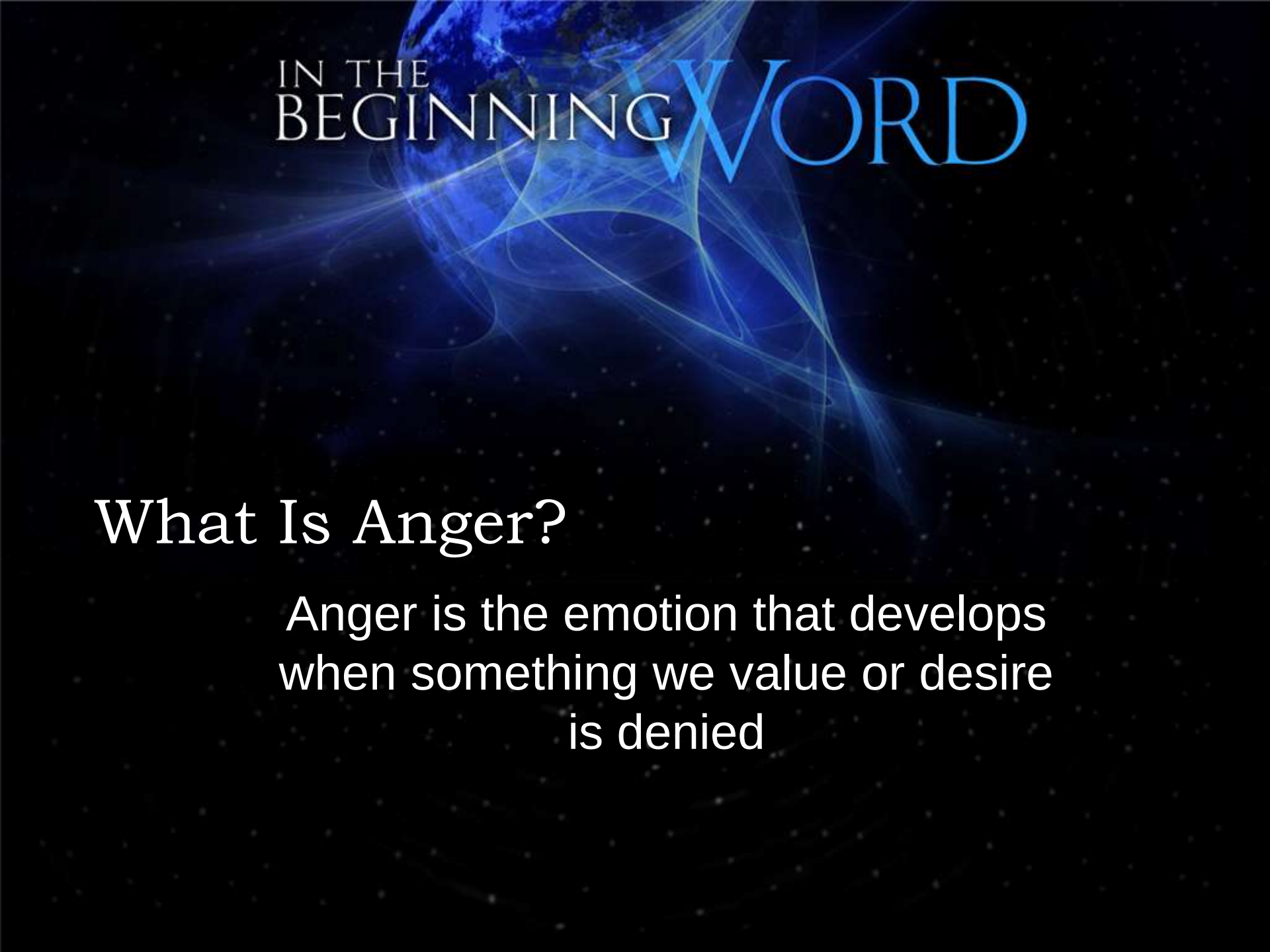
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Next: Jesus “Cleans” the Temple

- When did this Happen?
- What do we learn about Anger?
- What do we learn about Jesus?

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Was Jesus “Angry” in this Passage?
What Do We Know About Anger?



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What Is Anger?

Anger is the emotion that develops
when something we value or desire
is denied

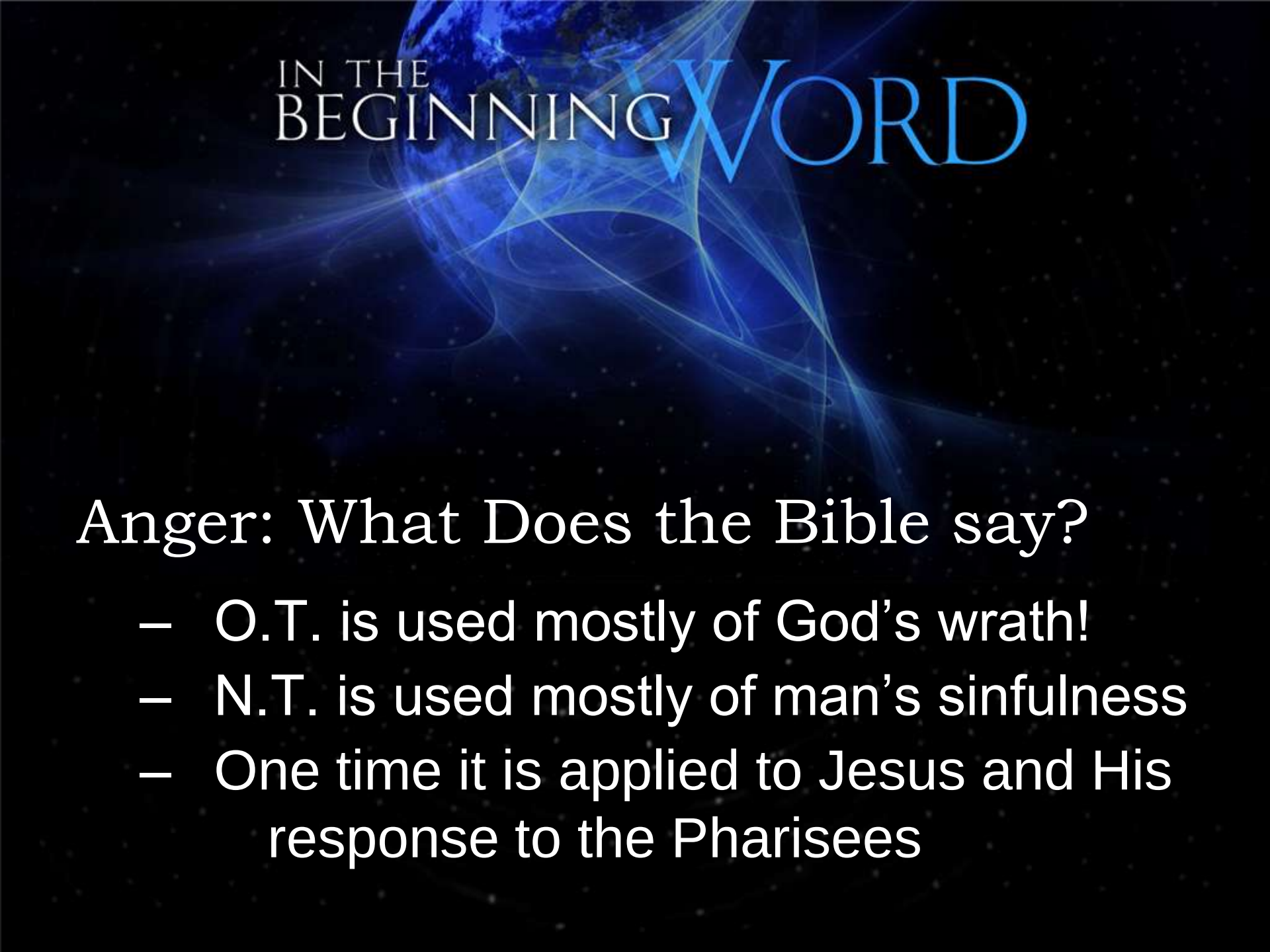


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Anger: What Does the Bible Say?

Anger is the word normally used in the Bible to refer to an emotion considered sinful

- The Baker Bible Dictionary



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Anger: What Does the Bible say?

- O.T. is used mostly of God's wrath!
- N.T. is used mostly of man's sinfulness
- One time it is applied to Jesus and His response to the Pharisees

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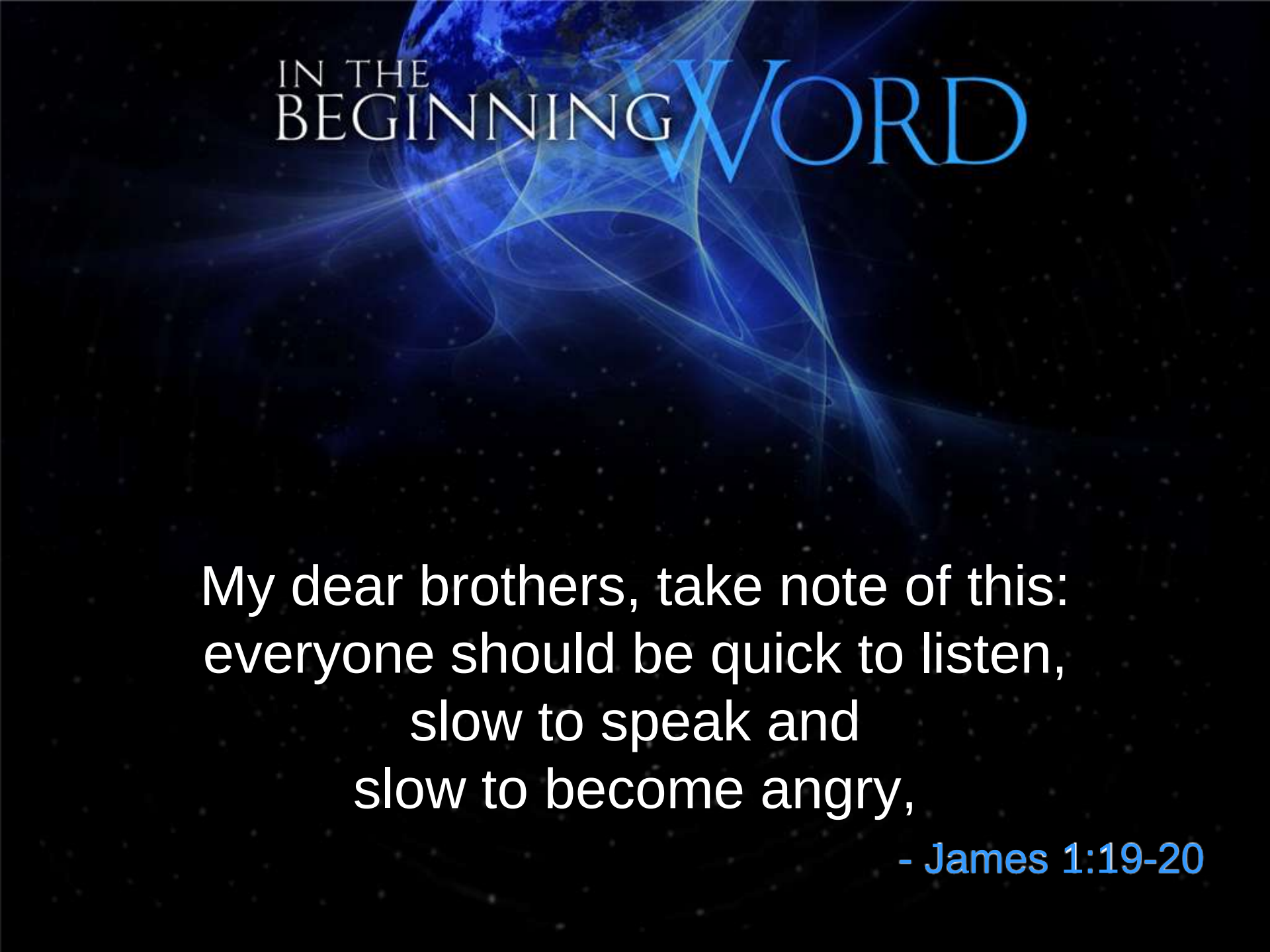
The Bible Warns Against Anger!



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Refrain from anger
and turn from wrath;
do not fret—
it leads only to evil.

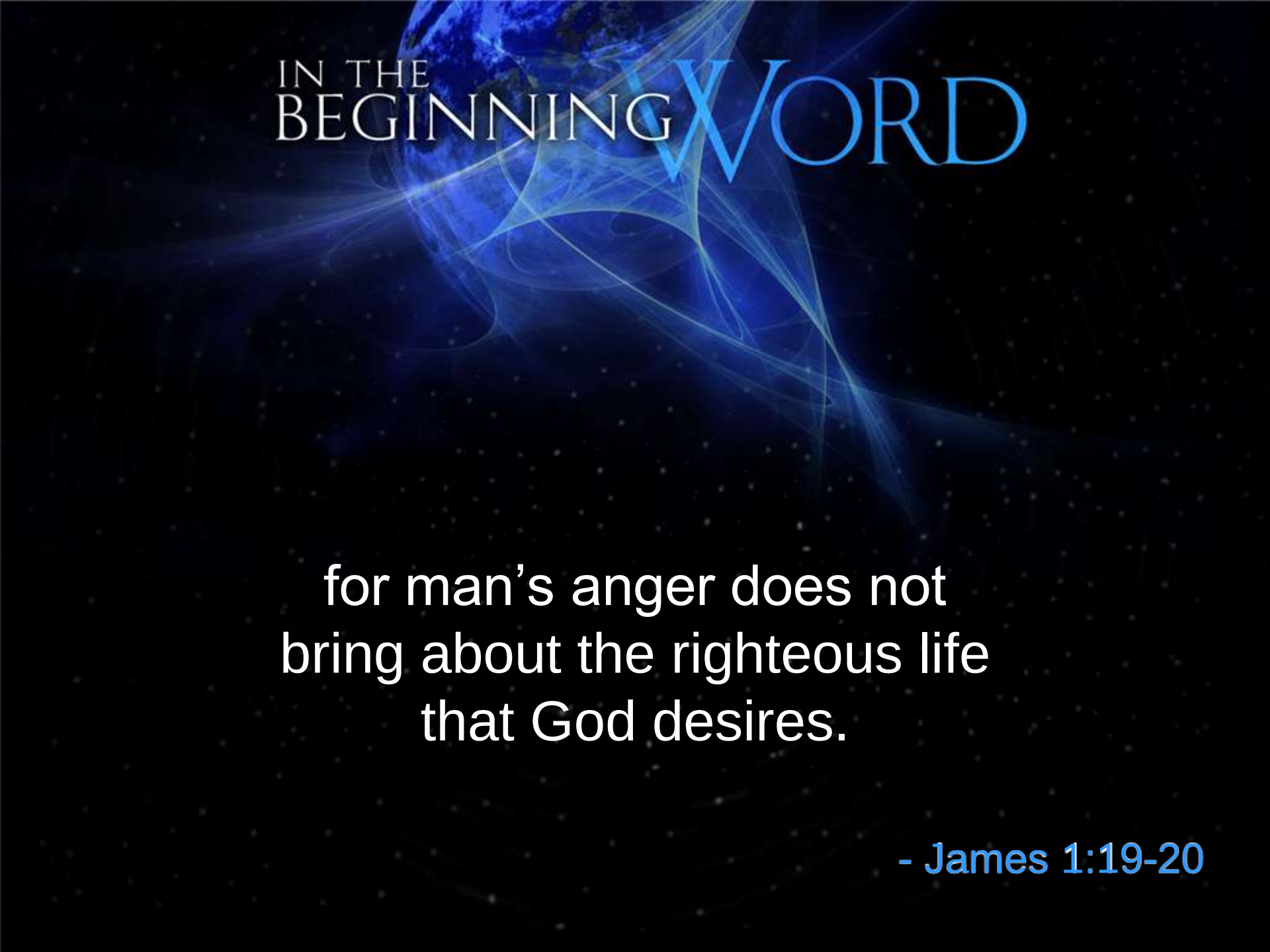
- Psalm 37:8



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My dear brothers, take note of this:
everyone should be quick to listen,
slow to speak and
slow to become angry,

- James 1:19-20



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for man's anger does not
bring about the righteous life
that God desires.

- James 1:19-20



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Get rid of all bitterness,
rage and anger,
brawling and slander, along with
every form of malice.

- Ephesians 4:31-32

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Godly Character is Not Angry!



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Love is patient, love is kind.
It does not envy, it does not boast,
it is not proud.

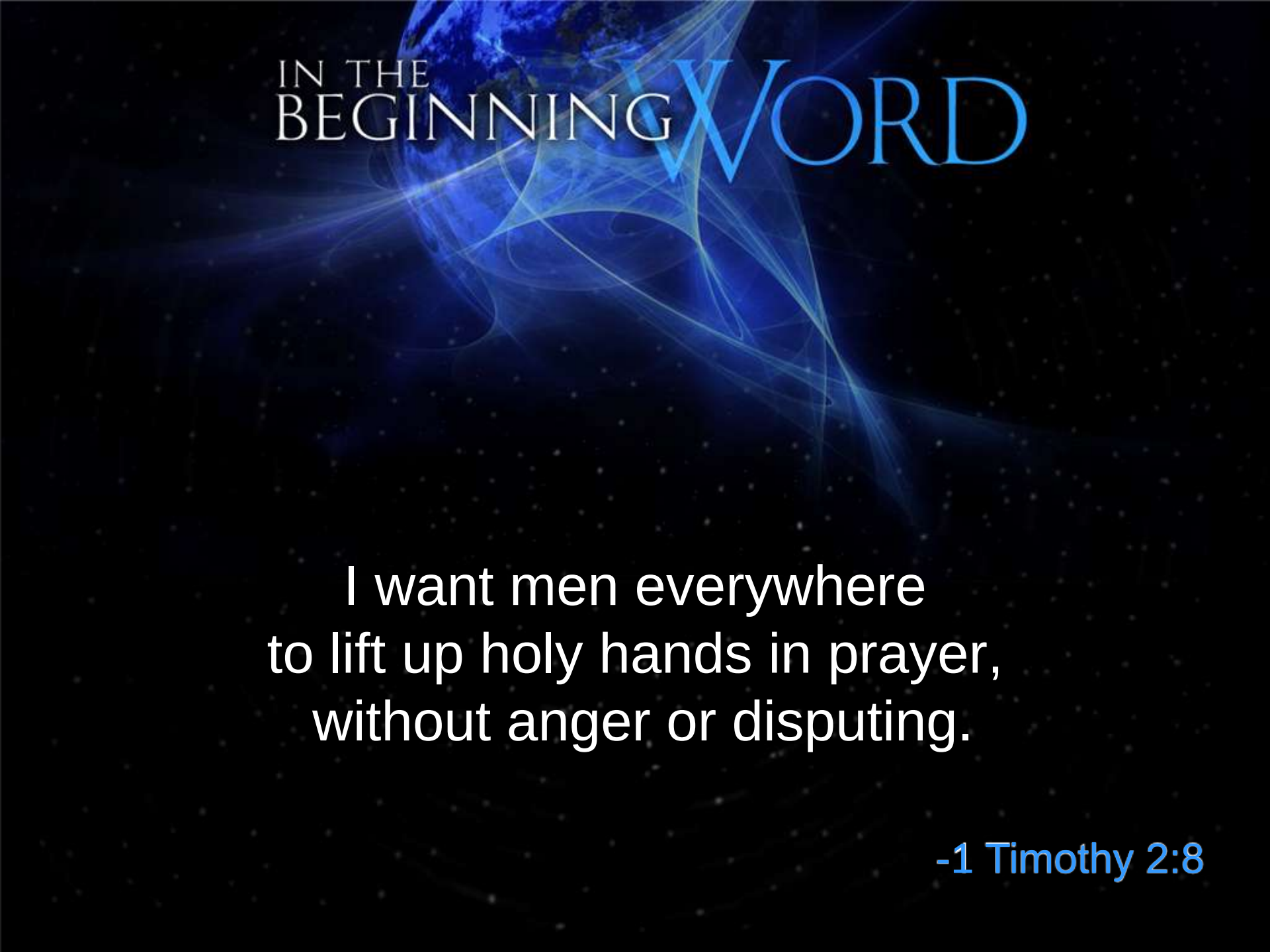
- 1 Corinthians 13:4-5



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It is not rude, it is not self-seeking,
it is not easily angered,
it keeps no record of wrongs.

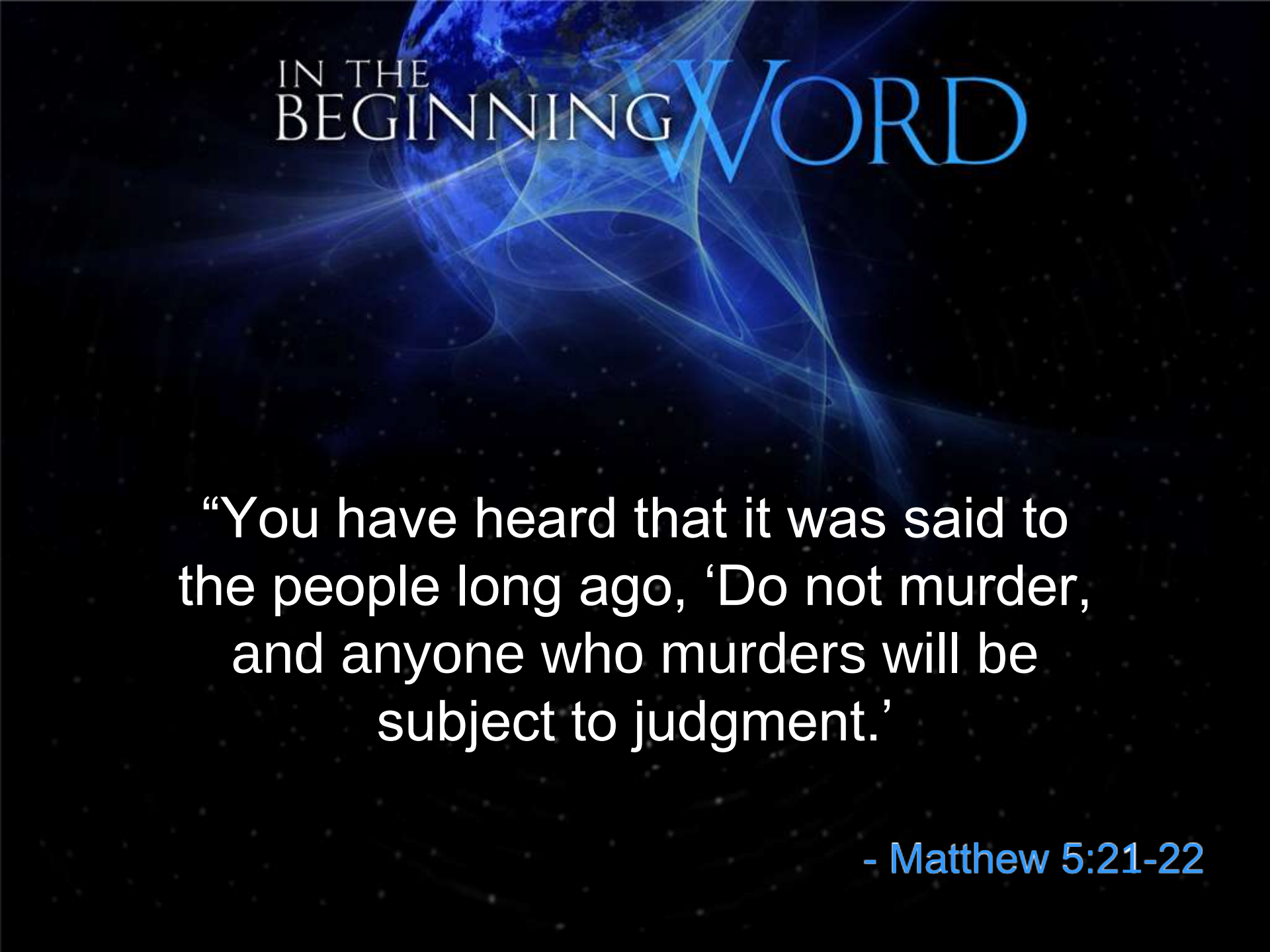
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I want men everywhere
to lift up holy hands in prayer,
without anger or disputing.

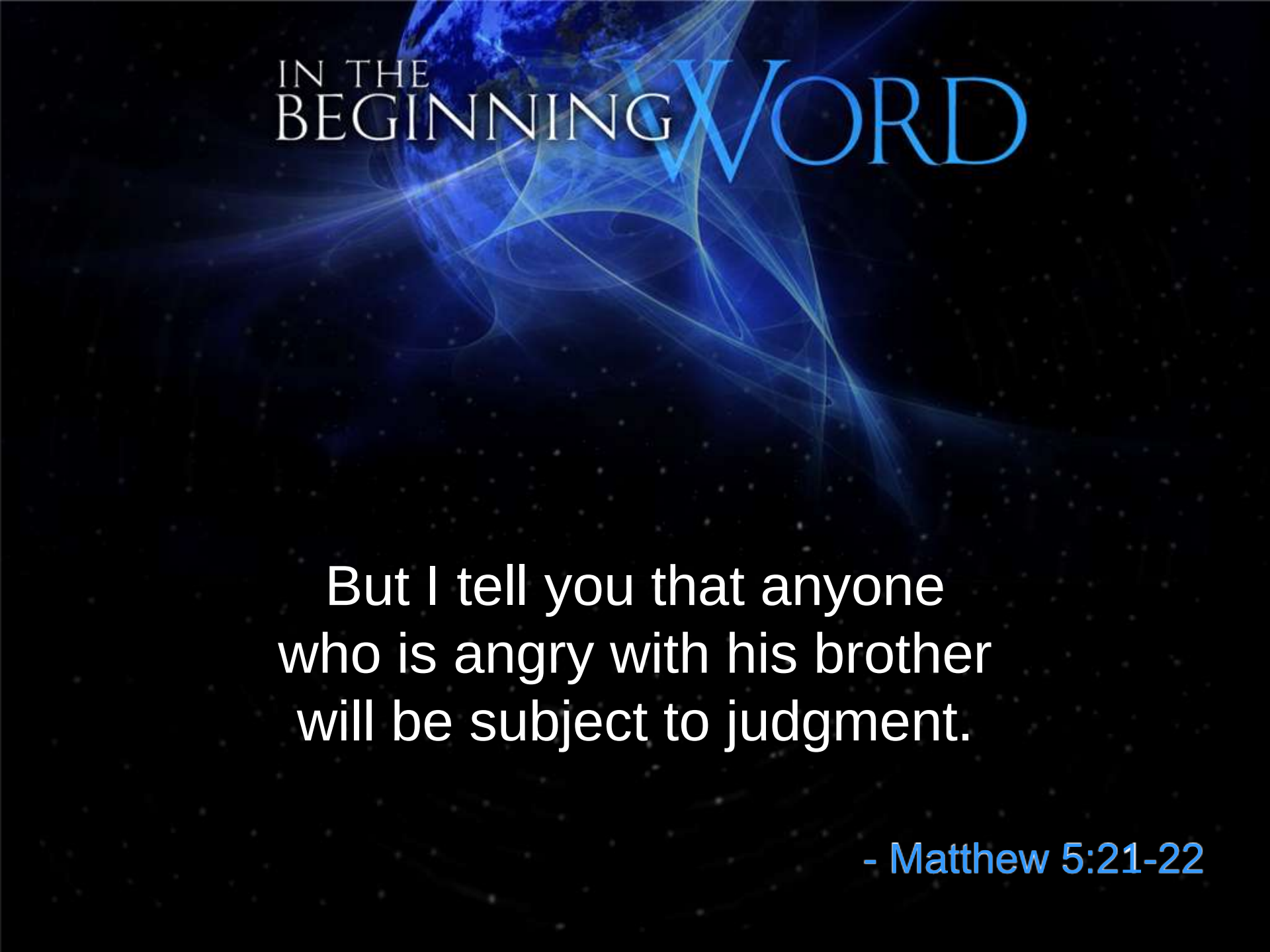
-1 Timothy 2:8



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“You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, ‘Do not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.’

- Matthew 5:21-22



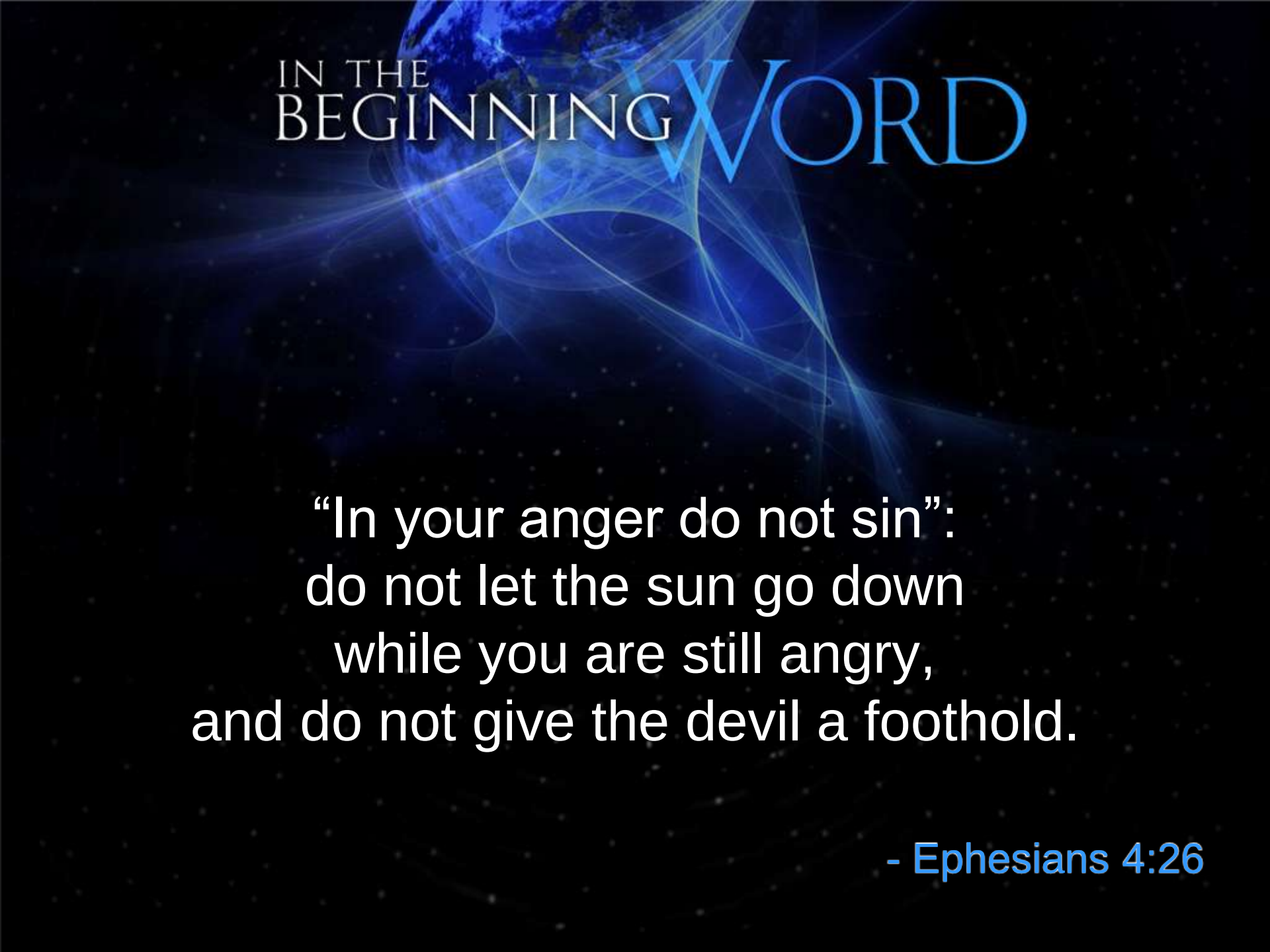
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But I tell you that anyone
who is angry with his brother
will be subject to judgment.

- Matthew 5:21-22

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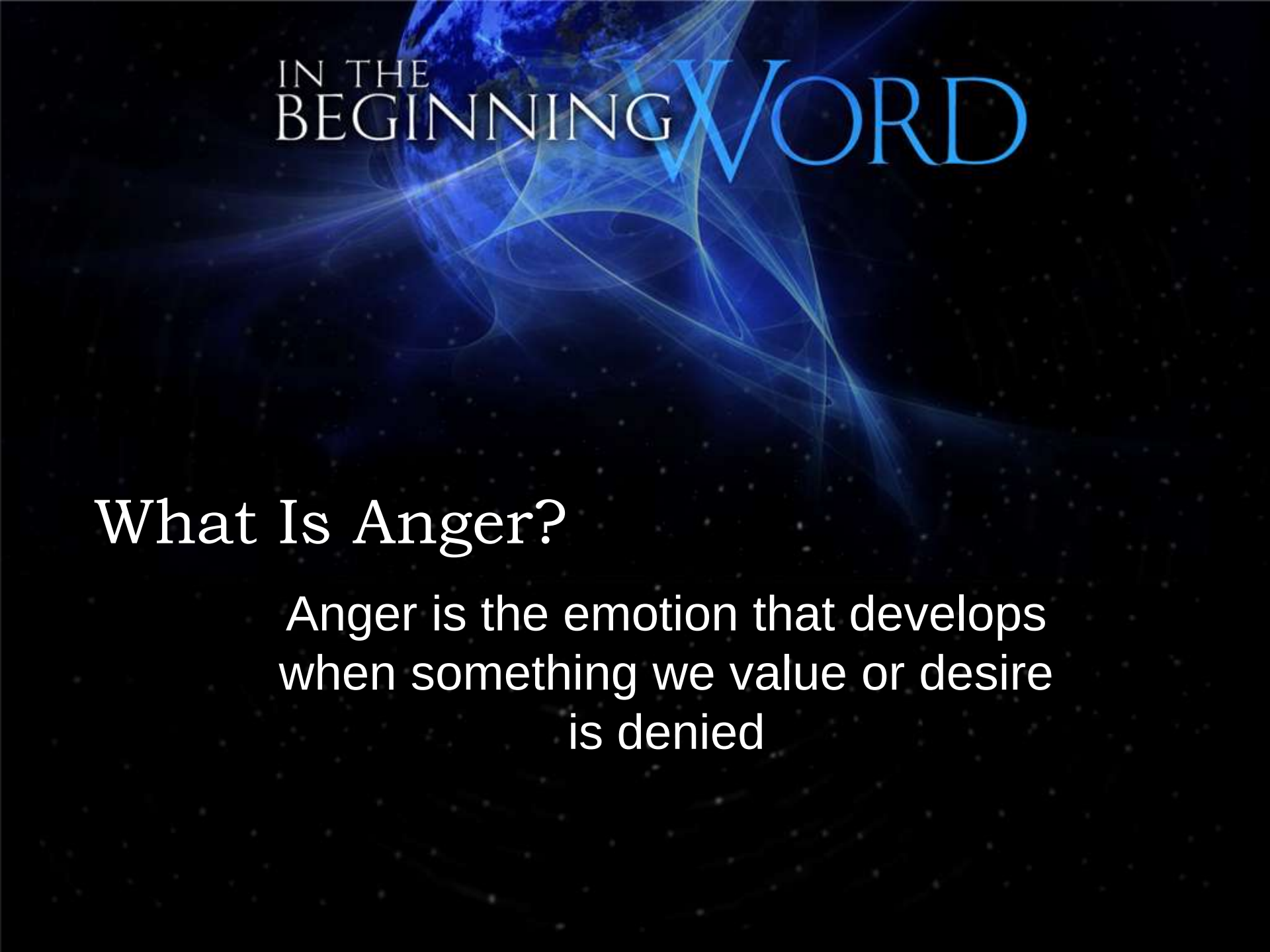
Godly Character Resolves Anger...
Quickly!



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“In your anger do not sin”:
do not let the sun go down
while you are still angry,
and do not give the devil a foothold.

- Ephesians 4:26



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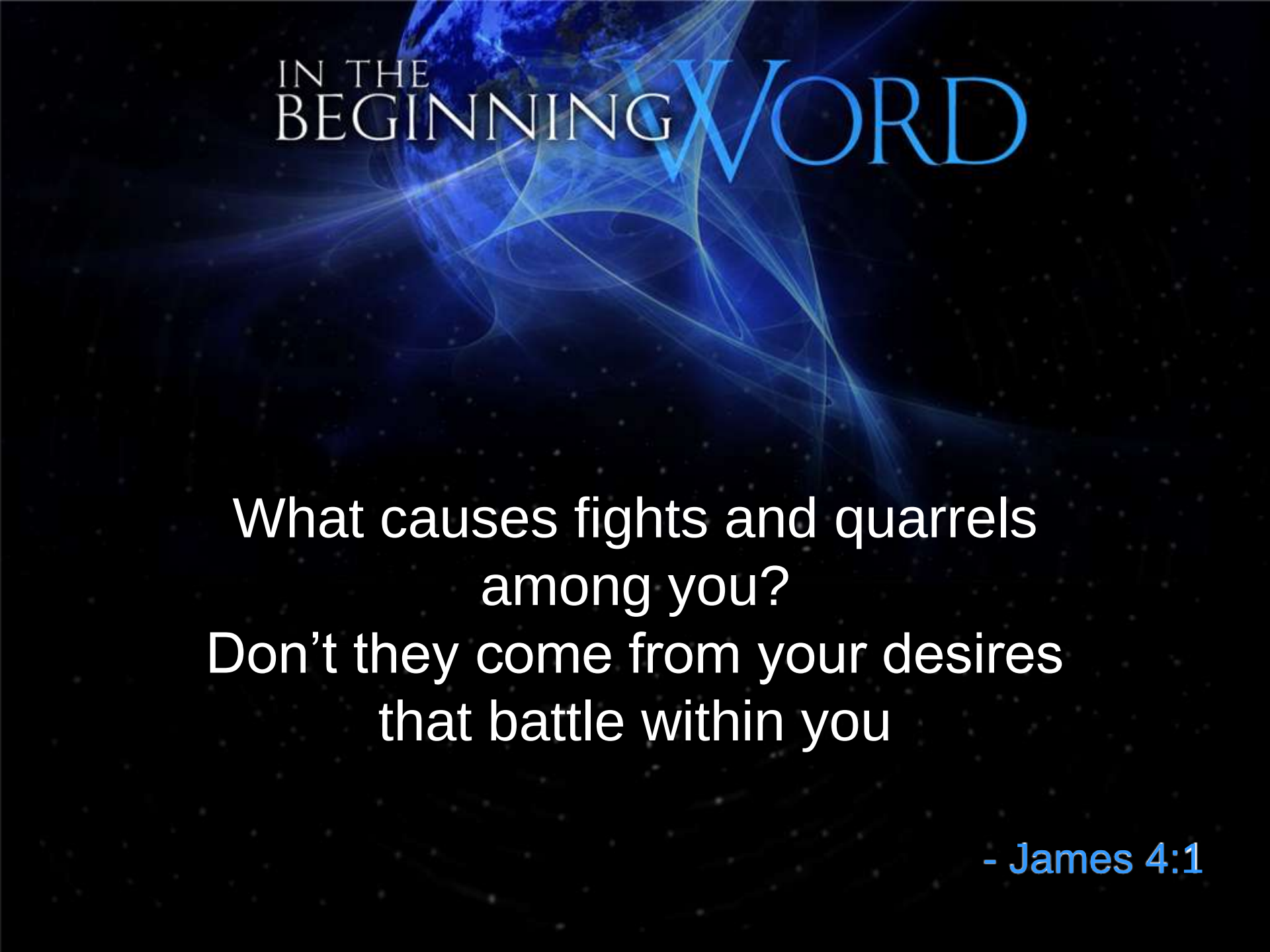
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Why is Anger So Dangerous?

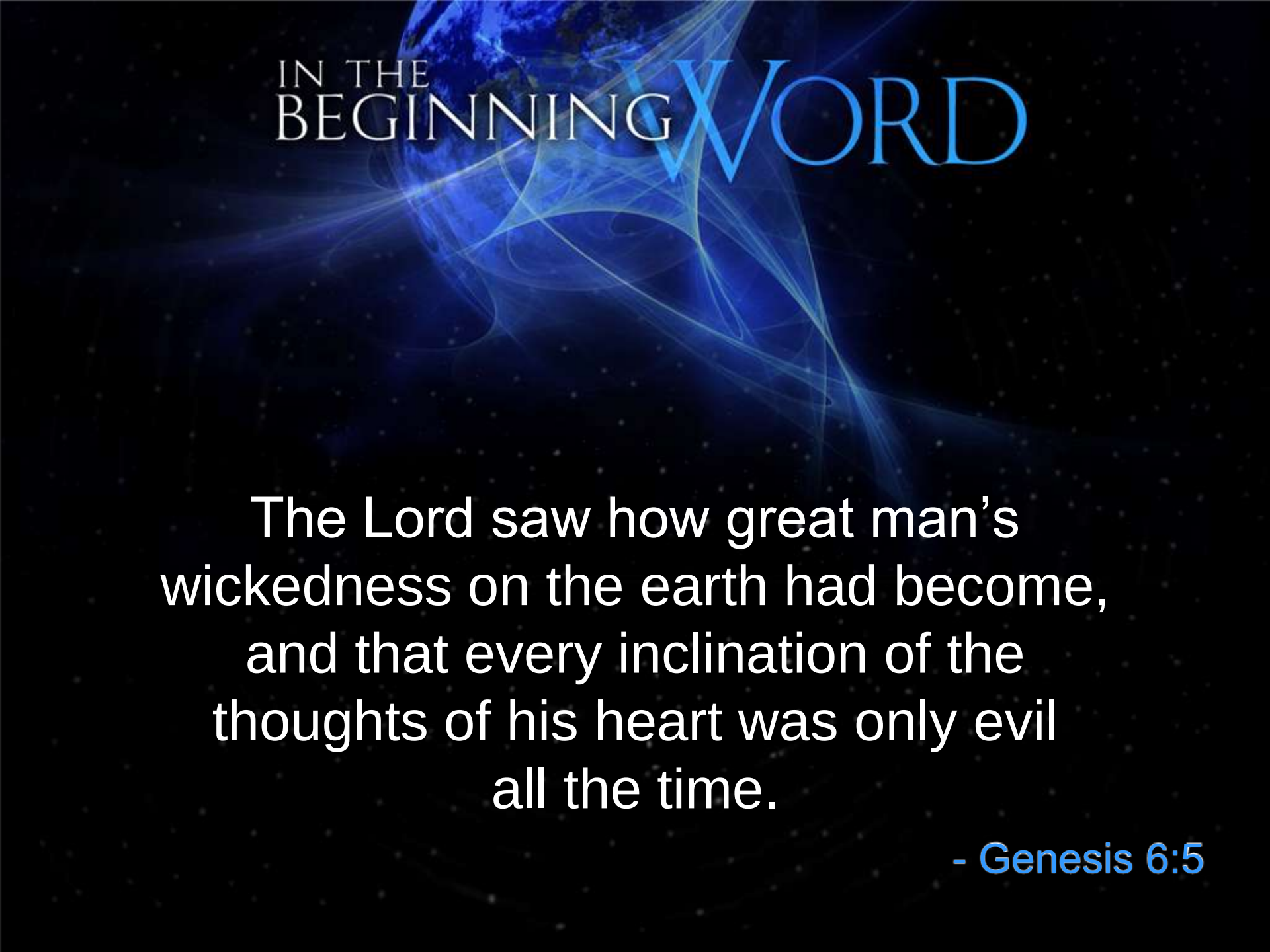
Because our desires and the things we value
are usually sinful.



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What causes fights and quarrels
among you?
Don't they come from your desires
that battle within you

- James 4:1



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The Lord saw how great man's
wickedness on the earth had become,
and that every inclination of the
thoughts of his heart was only evil
all the time.

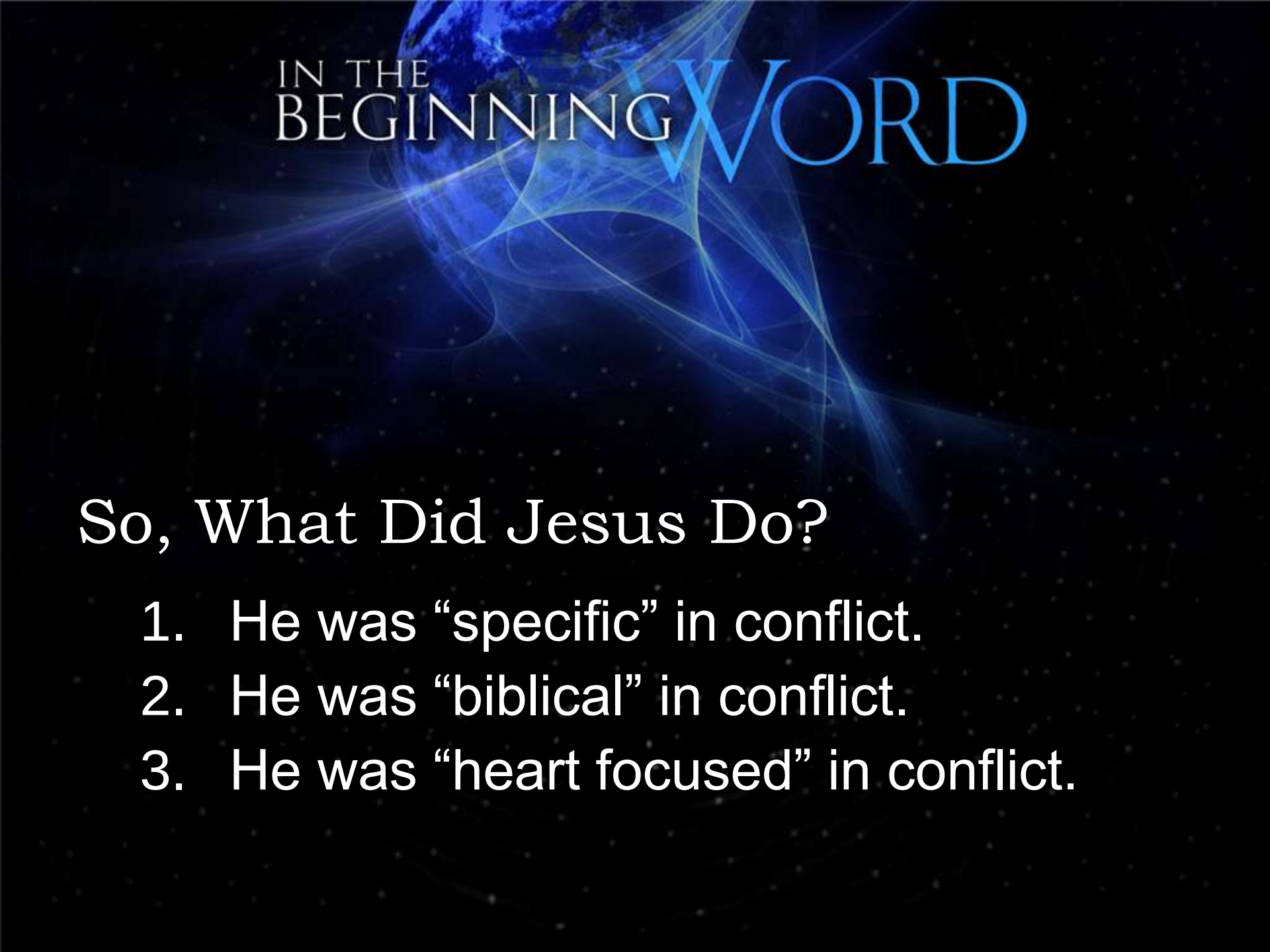
- Genesis 6:5



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So, What About Anger?

1. It is best to avoid anger altogether
2. Judge anger by God's standards
3. Resolve anger immediately



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So, What Did Jesus Do?

1. He was “specific” in conflict.
2. He was “biblical” in conflict.
3. He was “heart focused” in conflict.



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Trust in the Lord and do good;
dwell in the land
and enjoy safe pasture.

- Psalm 37:3-4



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Delight yourself in the Lord
and he will give you
the desires of your heart.

- Psalm 37:3-4