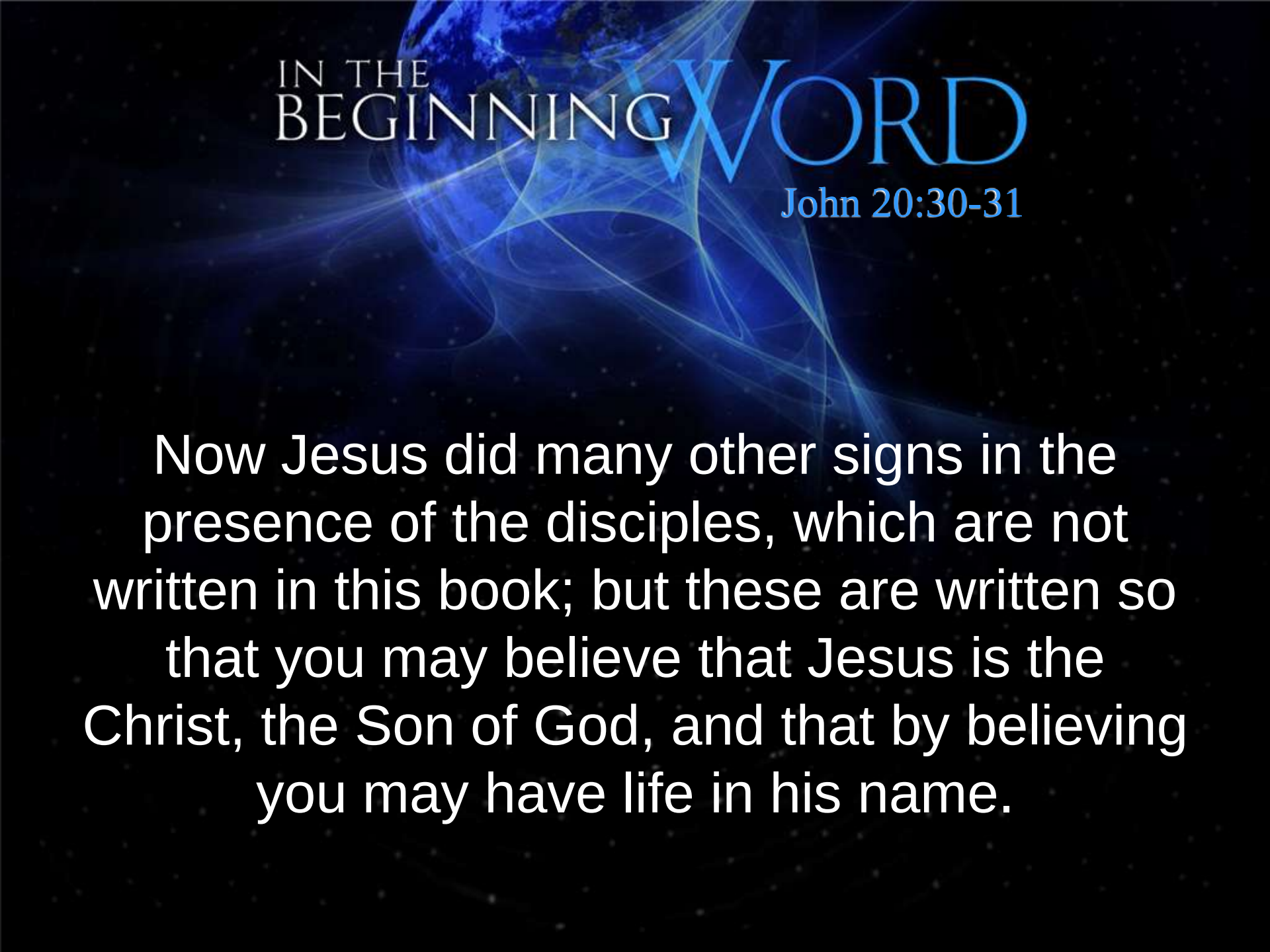


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John 20:30-31

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.



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Seven “Signs” Presented in
Ministry for Those With Eyes to
See that Jesus is God



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The Seven “Signs” of Jesus Identity

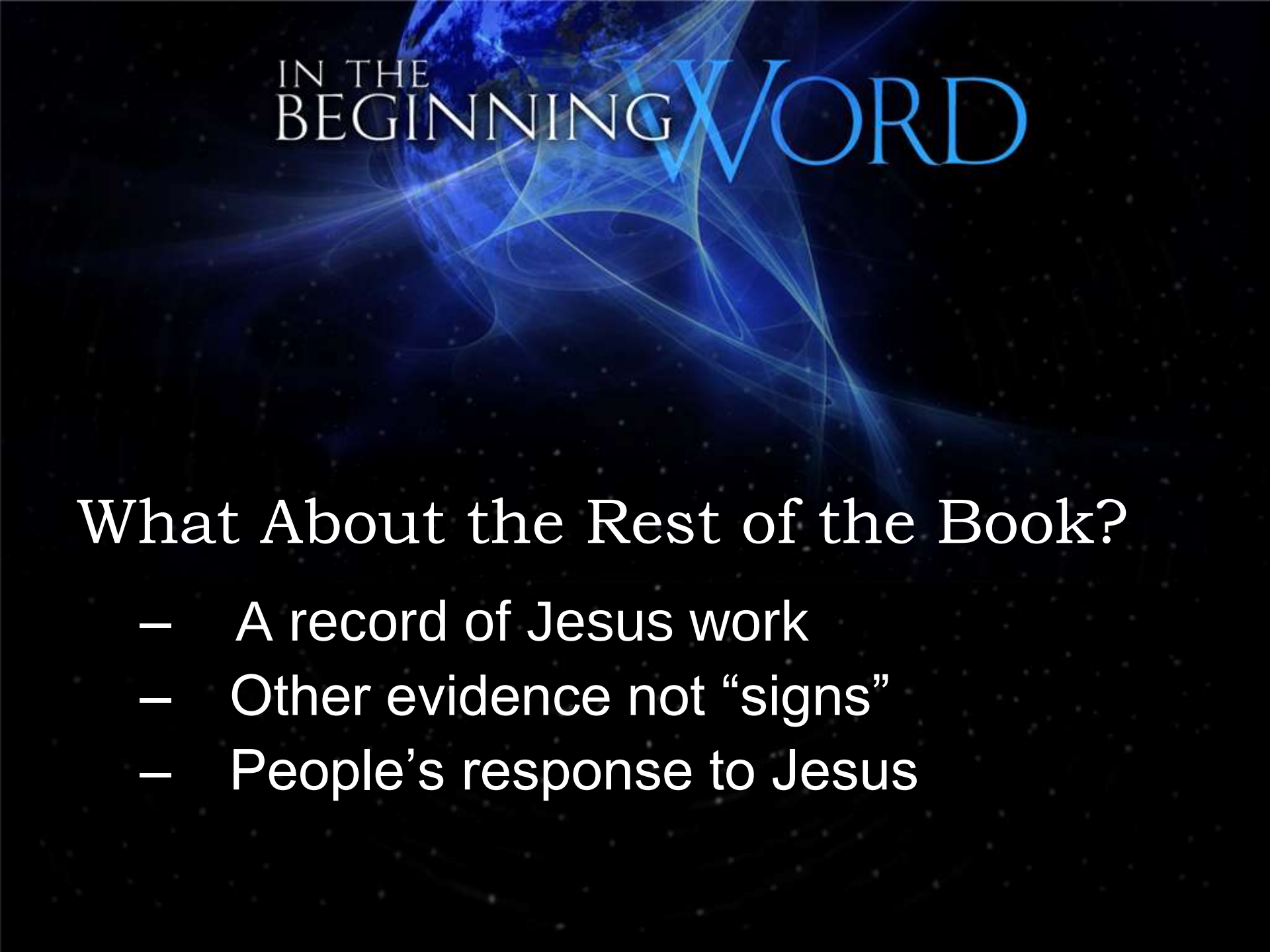
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| 1. Water into Wine | John 2:1-11 |
| 2. Official's Son Healed | John 4:43-54 |
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| 4. Feeding 5000 | John 6:1-14 |



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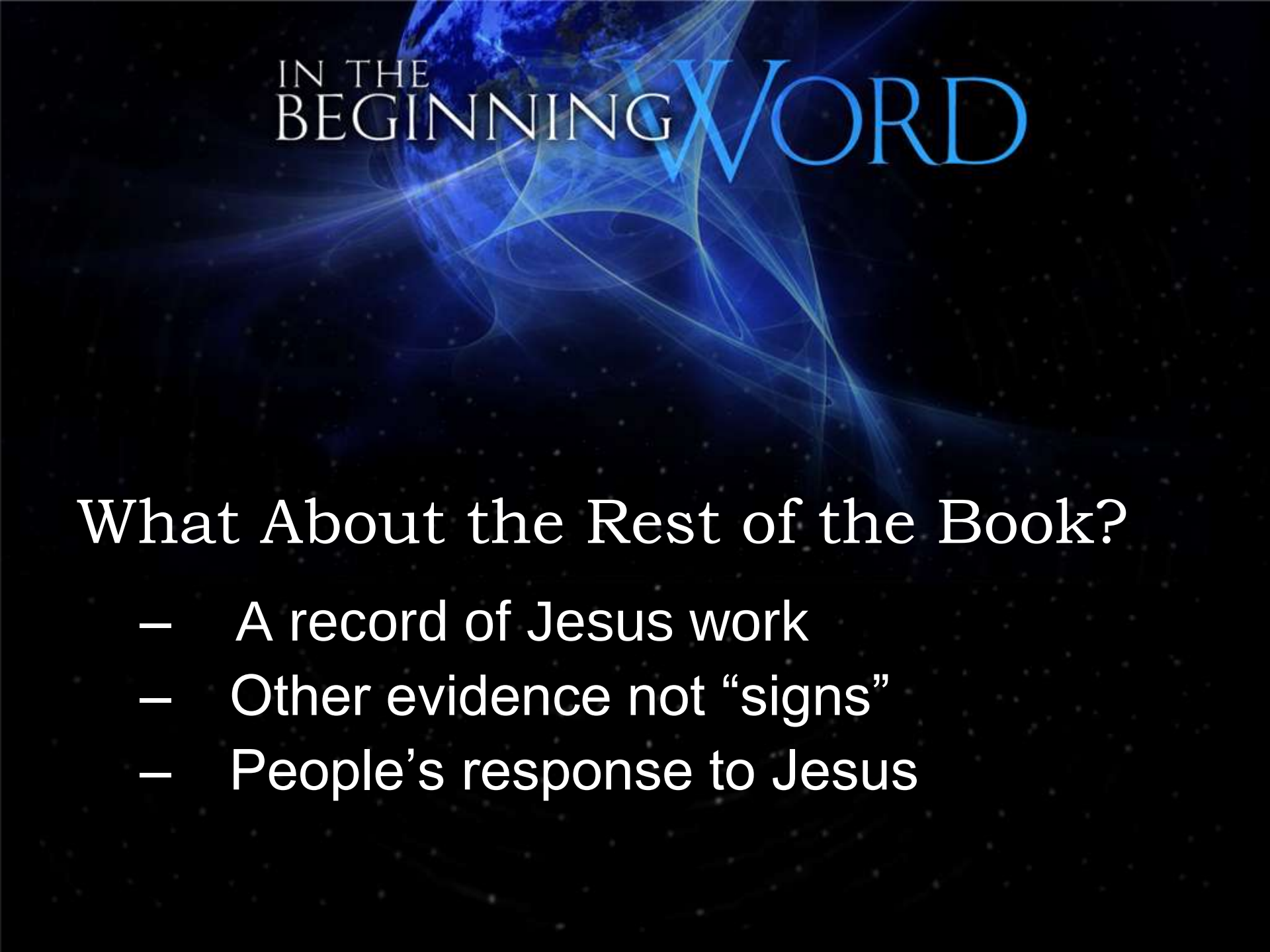
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| 5. Walking on Water | John 6:15-21 |
| 6. Healing the Blind | John 9:1-14 |
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| ❖ Miraculous Catch | John 21:6-11 |



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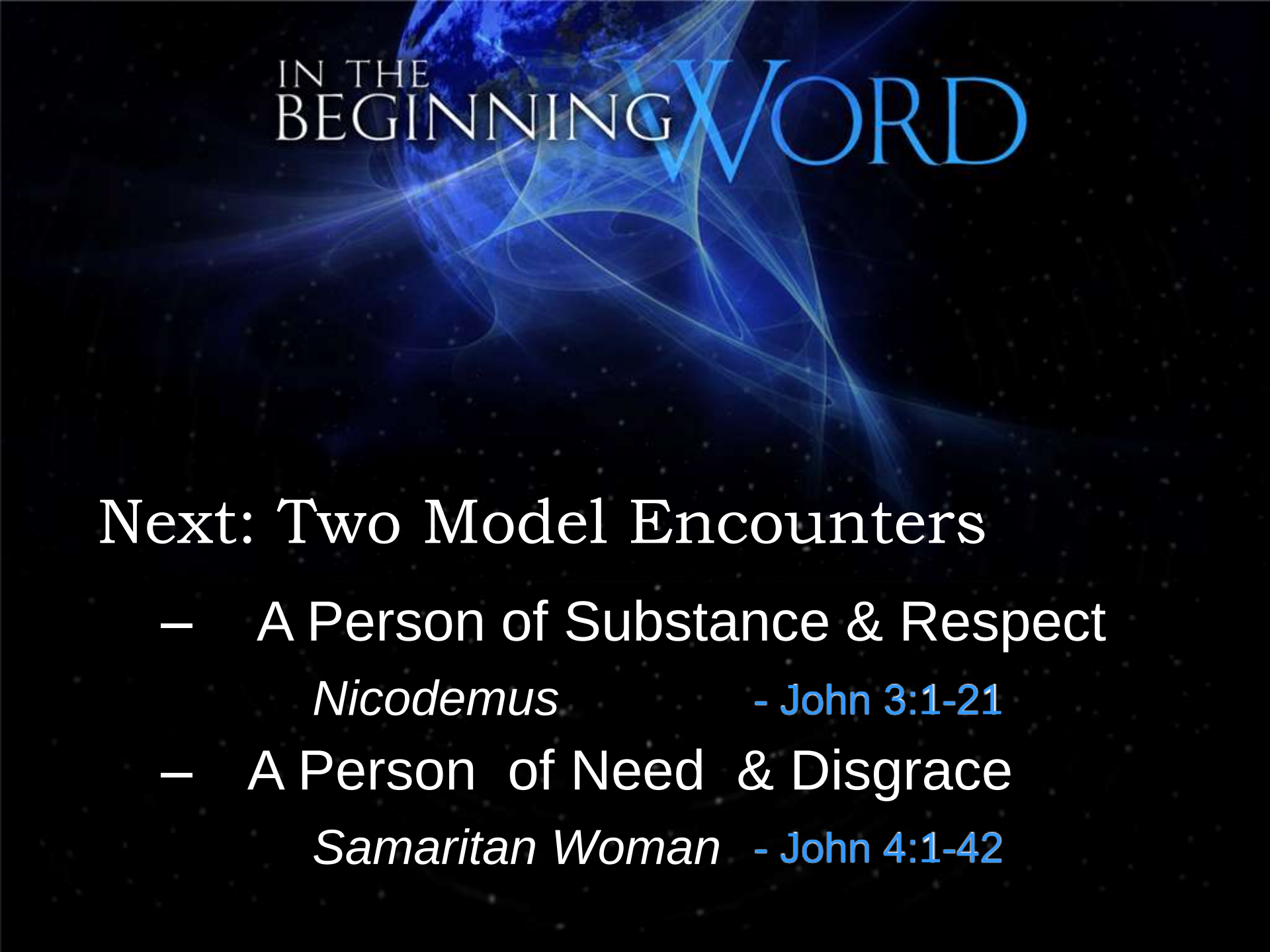
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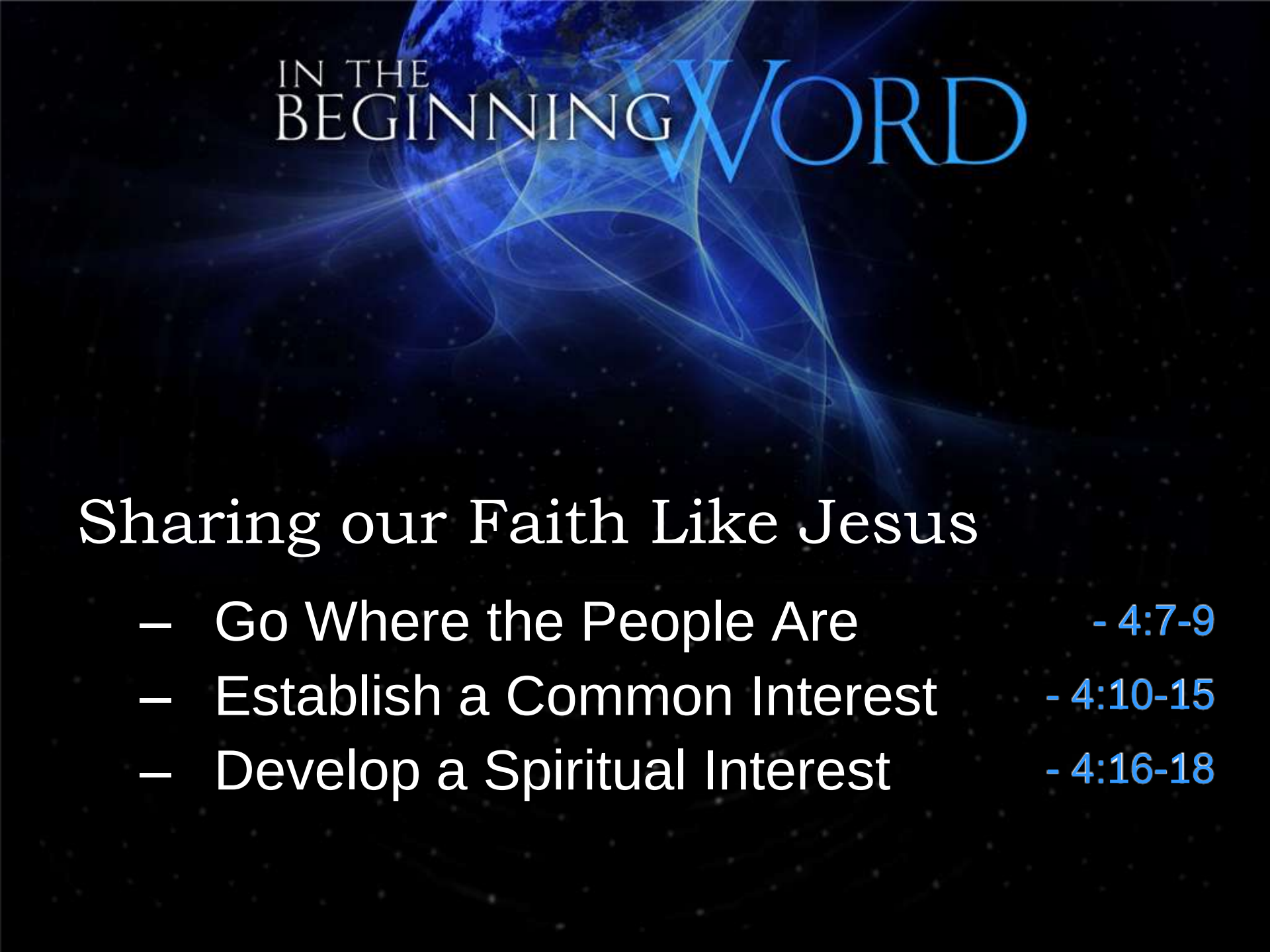
Next: Two Model Encounters

- A Person of Substance & Respect
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- A Person of Need & Disgrace
Samaritan Woman - John 4:1-42

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Learning to Share Our Faith Like
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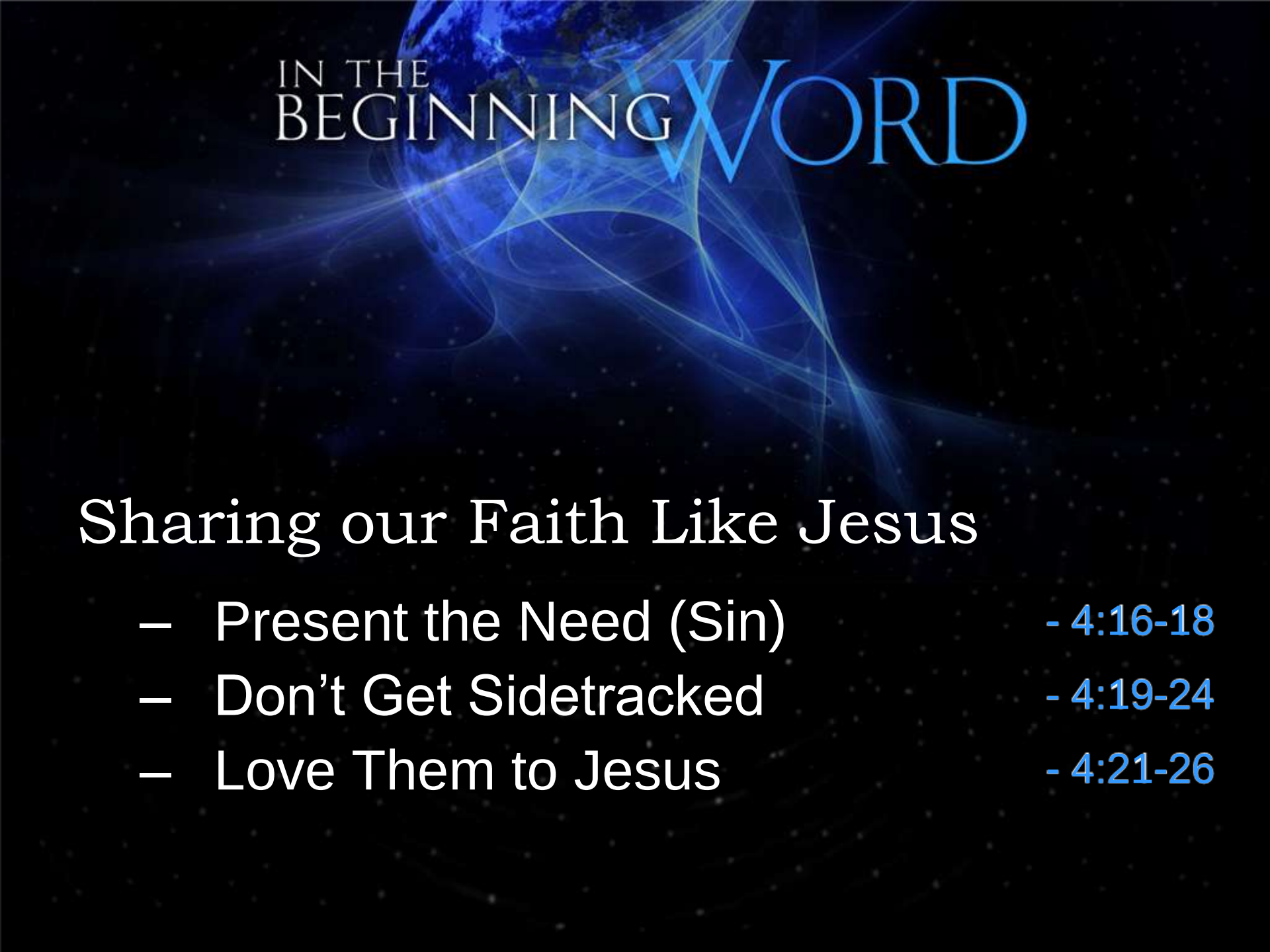
The Samaritan Woman



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Sharing our Faith Like Jesus

- Go Where the People Are - 4:7-9
- Establish a Common Interest - 4:10-15
- Develop a Spiritual Interest - 4:16-18



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Sharing our Faith Like Jesus

- Present the Need (Sin) - 4:16-18
- Don't Get Sidetracked - 4:19-24
- Love Them to Jesus - 4:21-26

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Remember the “Breakout” teacher?



Mary Matthews
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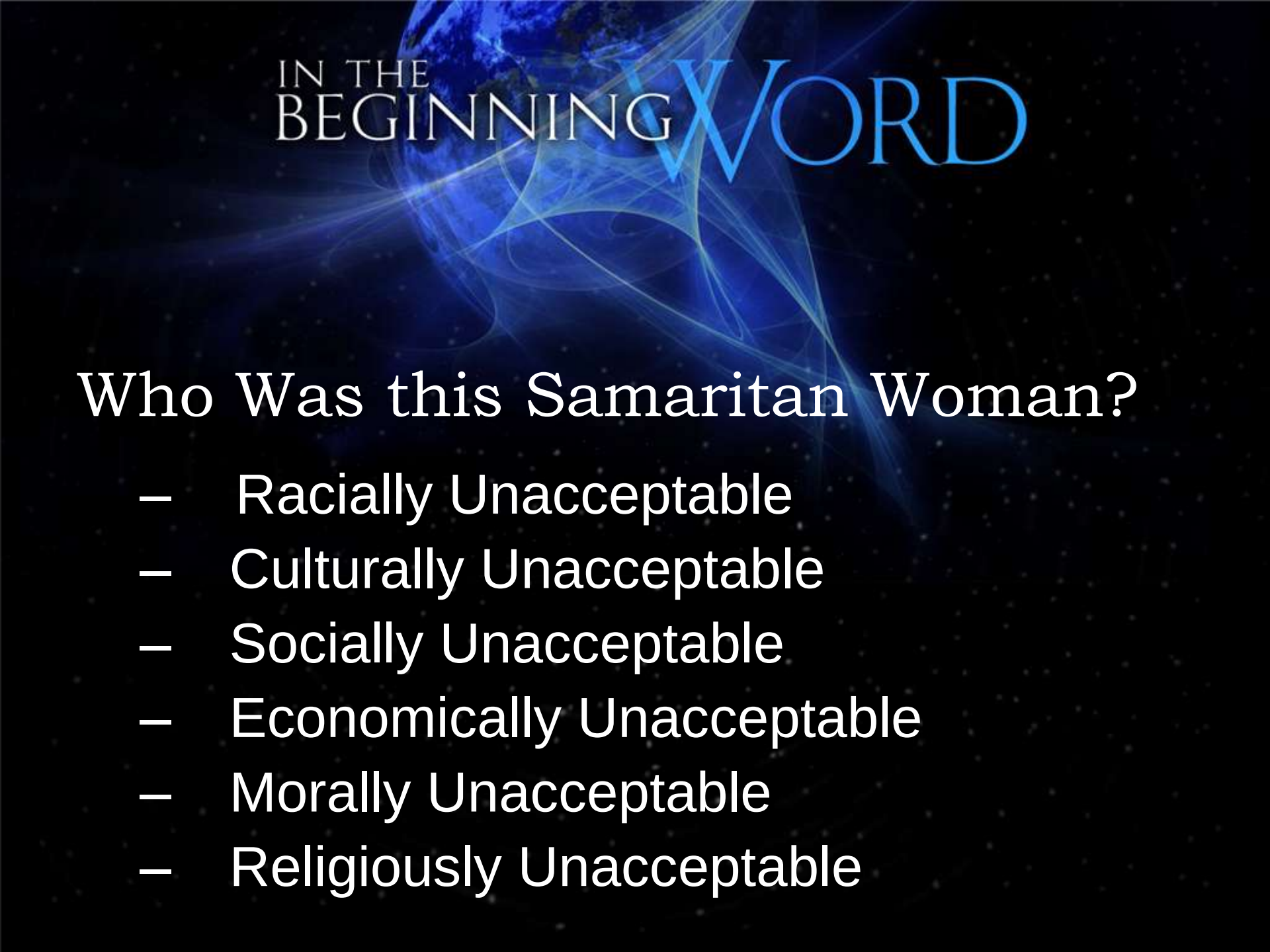
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John 4:27-38

The Disciples in Jesus

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Who Was this Samaritan Woman?

- Racially Unacceptable
- Culturally Unacceptable
- Socially Unacceptable
- Economically Unacceptable
- Morally Unacceptable
- Religiously Unacceptable

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The Disciples are Told

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Is a Harvest Field



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Who Are the Modern Samaritans?

- Immigrants
- Gays / Lesbians / Pro Abortionists
- Democrats / Republicans / Tea Party
- Re-Entry Convicts (Offenders Lists)
- Alternate Culture (tattoos, piercings...)
- Homeless / Panhandlers / Addicts

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Anyone We Find Unacceptable...

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Its Easy to Tell Someone
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