

EZEKIEL 22:23-31

²³ And the word of the LORD came to me, saying, ²⁴
“Son of man, say to her, ‘You are a land that is not
cleansed or rained on in the day of indignation.’”

EZEKIEL 22:23-31

²⁵ There is a conspiracy of her prophets in her midst like a roaring lion tearing the prey. They have devoured lives; they have taken treasure and precious things; they have made many widows in the midst of her.

EZEKIEL 22:23-31

²⁶ Her priests have done violence to My law and have profaned My holy things; they have made no distinction between the holy and the profane, and they have not taught the difference between the unclean and the clean; and they hide their eyes from My sabbaths, and I am profaned among them.

EZEKIEL 22:23-31

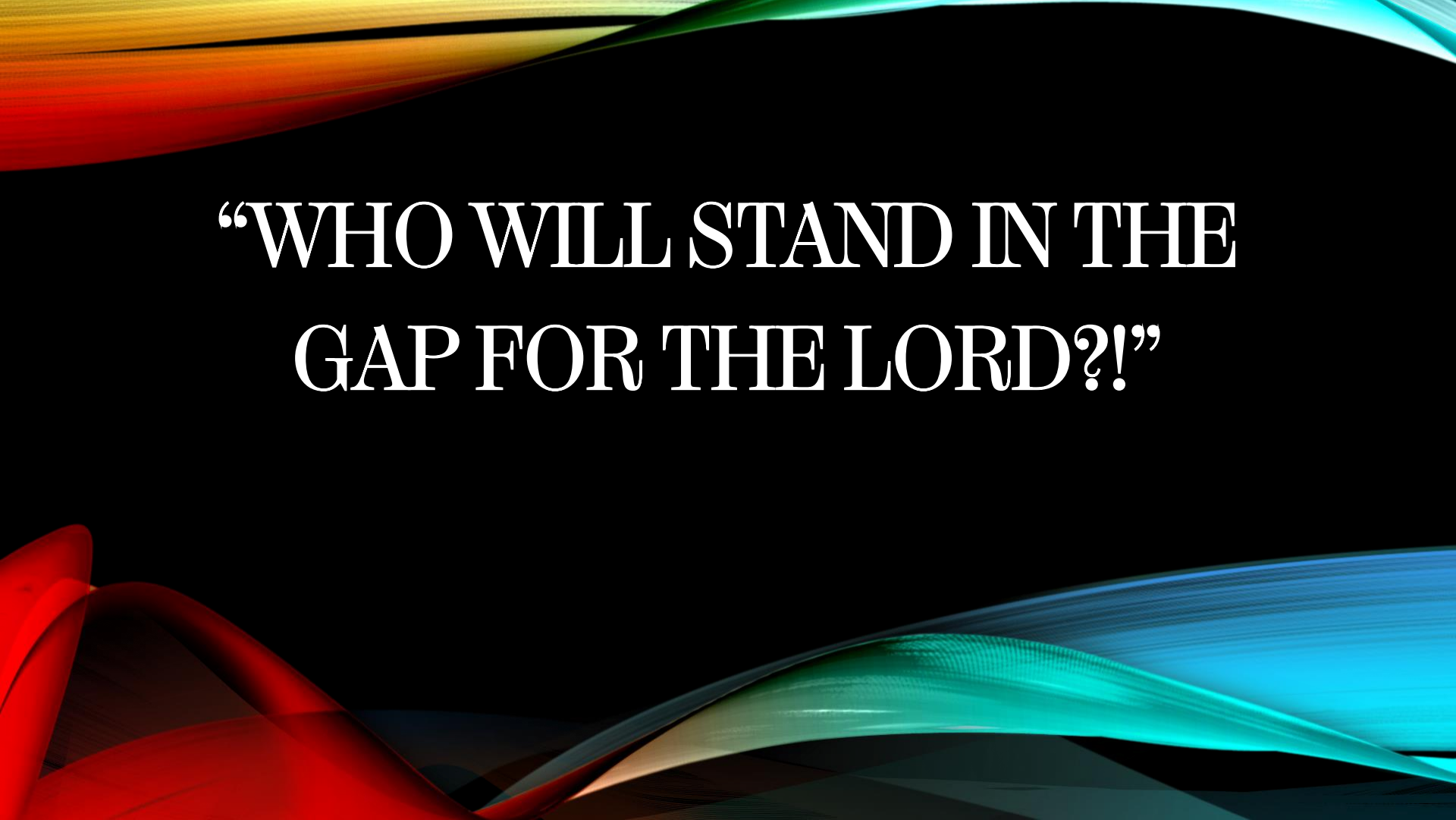
²⁷ Her princes within her are like wolves tearing the prey, by shedding blood and destroying lives in order to get dishonest gain. ²⁸ Her prophets have smeared whitewash for them, seeing false visions and divining lies for them, saying, 'Thus says the Lord GOD,' when the LORD has not spoken.

EZEKIEL 22:23-31

²⁹ The people of the land have practiced oppression and committed robbery, and they have wronged the poor and needy and have oppressed the sojourner without justice.

EZEKIEL 22:23-31

³⁰ I searched for a man among them who would build up the wall and stand in the gap before Me for the land, so that I would not destroy it; but I found no one. ³¹ Thus I have poured out My indignation on them; I have consumed them with the fire of My wrath; their way I have brought upon their heads,” declares the Lord GOD.



“WHO WILL STAND IN THE
GAP FOR THE LORD?!”

EZEKIEL 2:1-7

¹ Then He said to me, “Son of man, stand on your feet that I may speak with you!” ² As He spoke to me the Spirit entered me and set me on my feet; and I heard Him speaking to me.

EZEKIEL 2:1-7

³ Then He said to me, “Son of man, I am sending you to the sons of Israel, to a rebellious people who have rebelled against Me; they and their fathers have transgressed against Me to this very day. ⁴ I am sending you to them who are stubborn and obstinate children, and you shall say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD.’

EZEKIEL 2:1–7

5 As for them, whether they listen or not—for they are a rebellious house—they will know that a prophet has been among them.

EZEKIEL 2:1-7

⁶ And you, son of man, neither fear them nor fear their words, though thistles and thorns are with you and you sit on scorpions; neither fear their words nor be dismayed at their presence, for they are a rebellious house. ⁷ But you shall speak My words to them whether they listen or not, for they are rebellious.

EZEKIEL 22:10-12

¹⁰ In you they have uncovered their fathers' nakedness; in you they have humbled her who was unclean in her menstrual impurity. ¹¹ One has committed abomination with his neighbor's wife and another has lewdly defiled his daughter-in-law. And another in you has humbled his sister, his father's daughter.

EZEKIEL 22:10-12

¹² In you they have taken bribes to shed blood; you have taken interest and profits, and you have injured your neighbors for gain by oppression, and you have forgotten Me,” declares the Lord GOD.

2 TIMOTHY 4:3-4

³ For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires, ⁴ and will turn away their ears from the truth and will turn aside to myths.

PSALM 25:3

³ Indeed, none of those who wait for You will be ashamed; Those who deal treacherously without cause will be ashamed.

THE LORD'S WORDS THROUGH EZEKIEL

“I searched for a man among them who would build up the wall and stand in the gap before Me for the land, so that I would not destroy it; but I found no one.”

JEREMIAH 5:1

¹ “Roam to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem, and look now and take note. and seek in her open squares, if you can find a man, if there is one who does justice, who seeks truth, then I will pardon her.

ZEPHANIAH 1:15-17

¹⁵ A day of wrath is that day,
A day of trouble and distress,
A day of destruction and desolation,
A day of darkness and gloom,
A day of clouds and thick darkness,

ZEPHANIAH 1:15-17

¹⁶ A day of trumpet and battle cry
Against the fortified cities
And the high corner towers.

ZEPHANIAH 1:15-17

¹⁷ I will bring distress on men
So that they will walk like the blind,
Because they have sinned against the LORD;
And their blood will be poured out like dust
And their flesh like dung.

JOEL 2:11-13

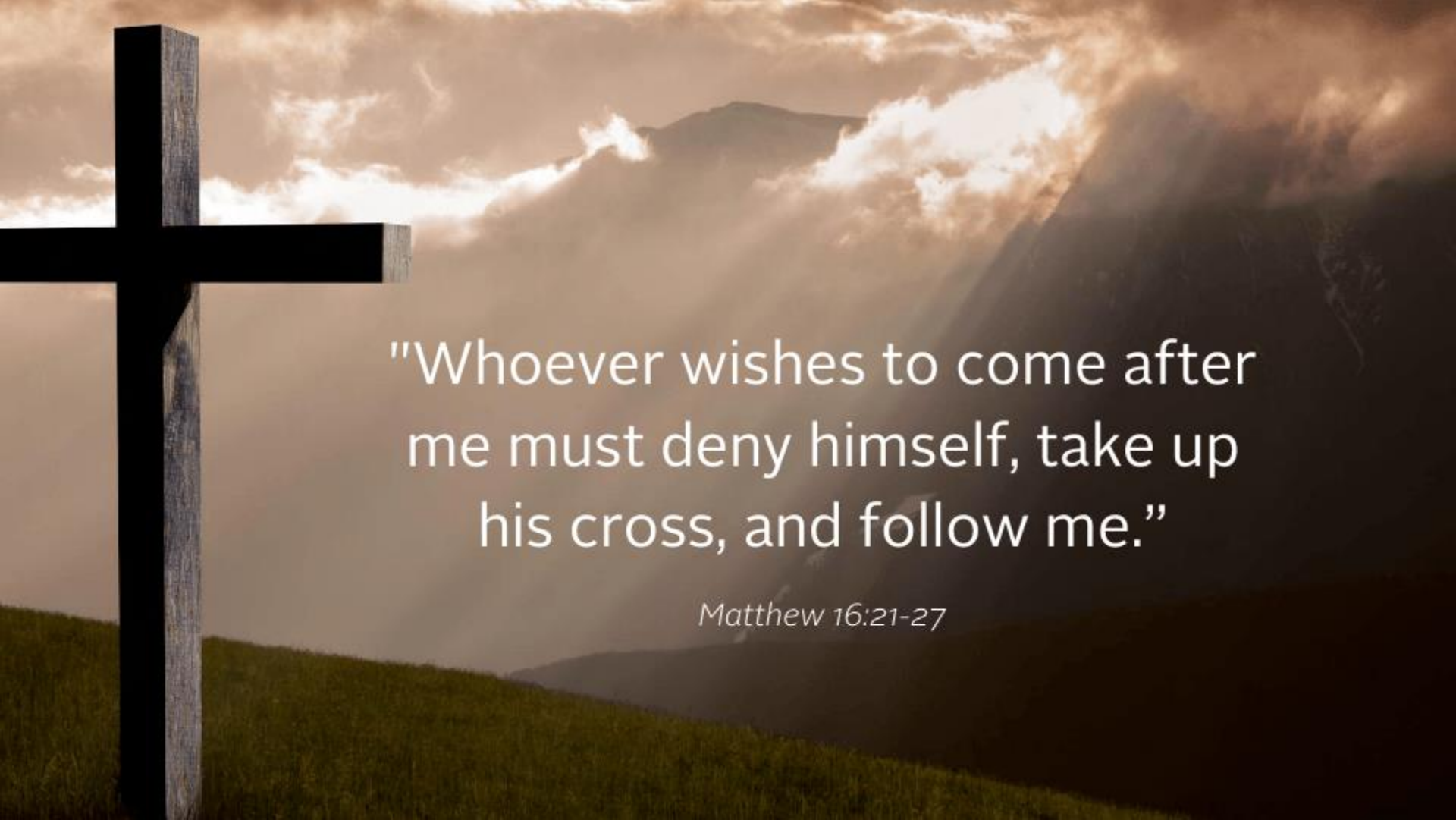
¹¹ The LORD utters His voice before His army;
Surely His camp is very great,
For strong is he who carries out His word.
The day of the LORD is indeed great and very
awesome, And who can endure it?

JOEL 2:11-13

¹² “Yet even now,” declares the LORD,
“Return to Me with all your heart,
And with fasting, weeping and mourning;

JOEL 2:11-13

¹³ And rend your heart and not your garments.”
Now return to the LORD your God,
For He is gracious and compassionate,
Slow to anger, abounding in lovingkindness
And relenting of evil.



"Whoever wishes to come after
me must deny himself, take up
his cross, and follow me."

Matthew 16:21-27