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A "MERRY
CHRISTMAS!"



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ABOUT HOW GOD IS NEARER
TO YOU THAN YOU THINK

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GOD REVEALS HIMSELF

- His Birth
- His Ministry
- His Death
- His Resurrection



ACTS 17:26-27

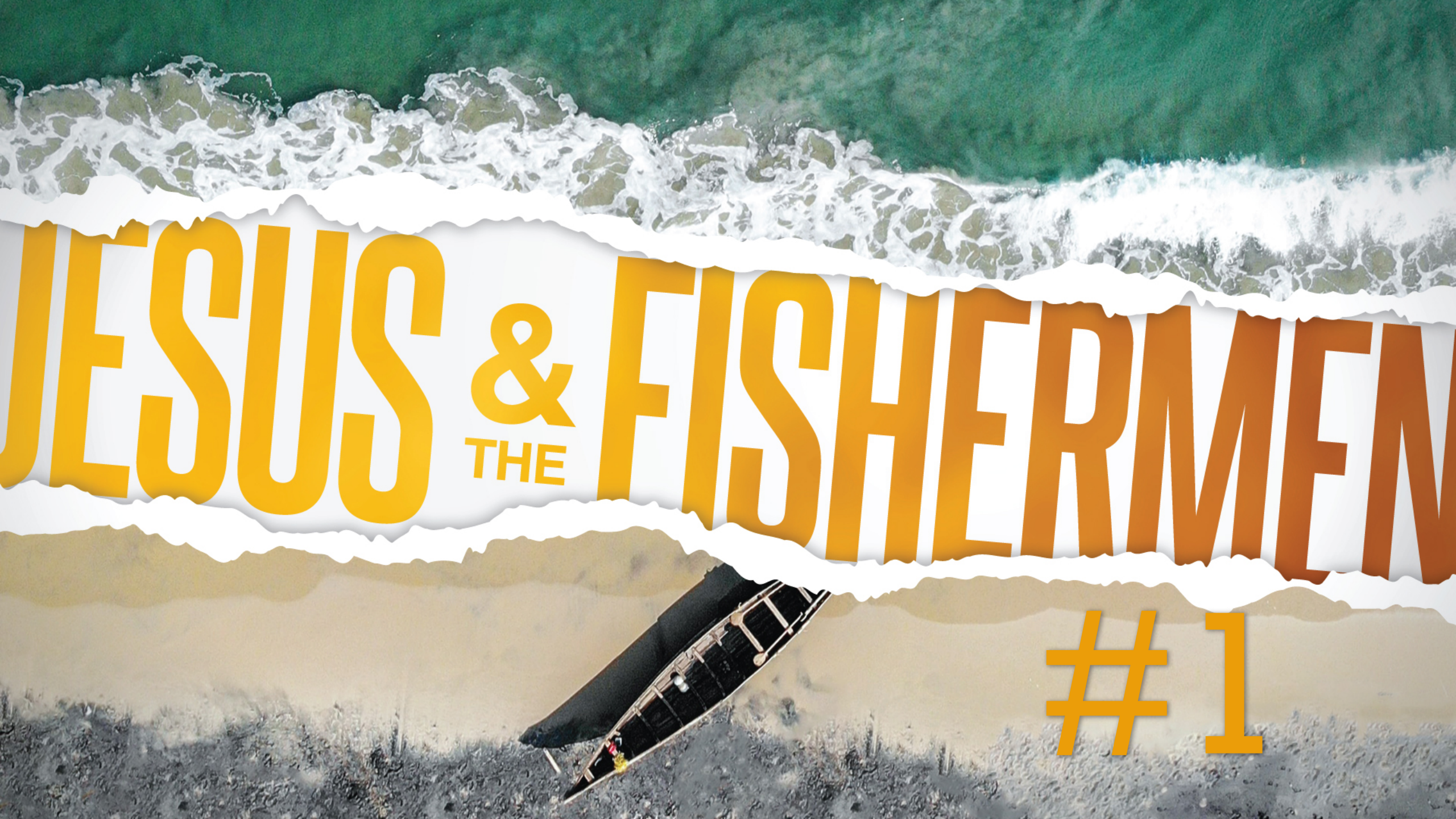
²⁶ And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷ that they should **seek God**, and perhaps **feel their way toward him and find him**. Yet he is **actually not far from each one of us**.

HIS NAME IS
EMMANUEL



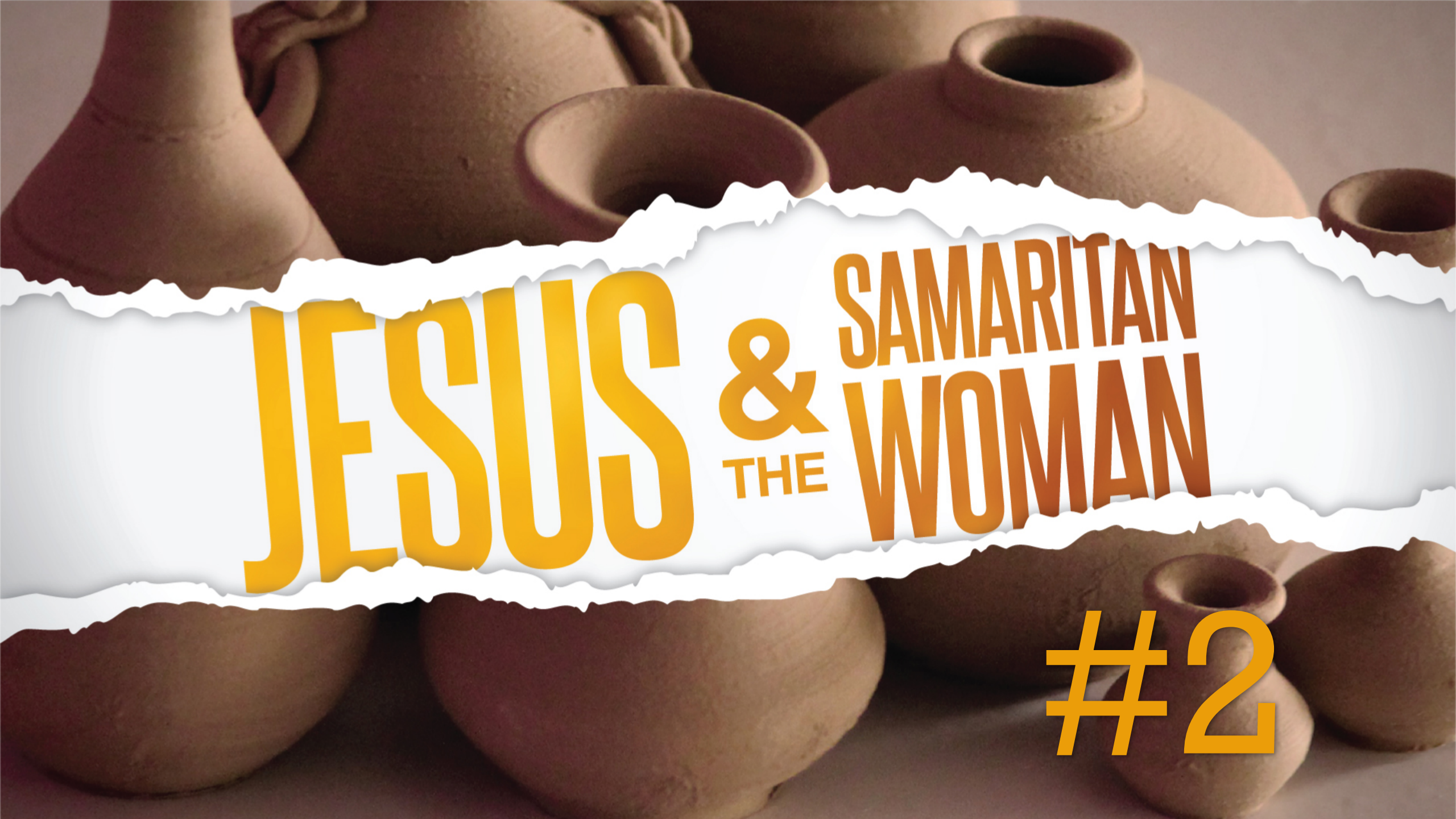
**GOD
WITH US**





JESUS & THE FISHERMEN

#1



JESUS & THE SAMARITAN WOMAN

#2



JESUS & THE CENTURION



#3

**SO NEAR
YET SO FAR**



**HOW NEAR IS NEAR?
HOW FAR IS FAR?**



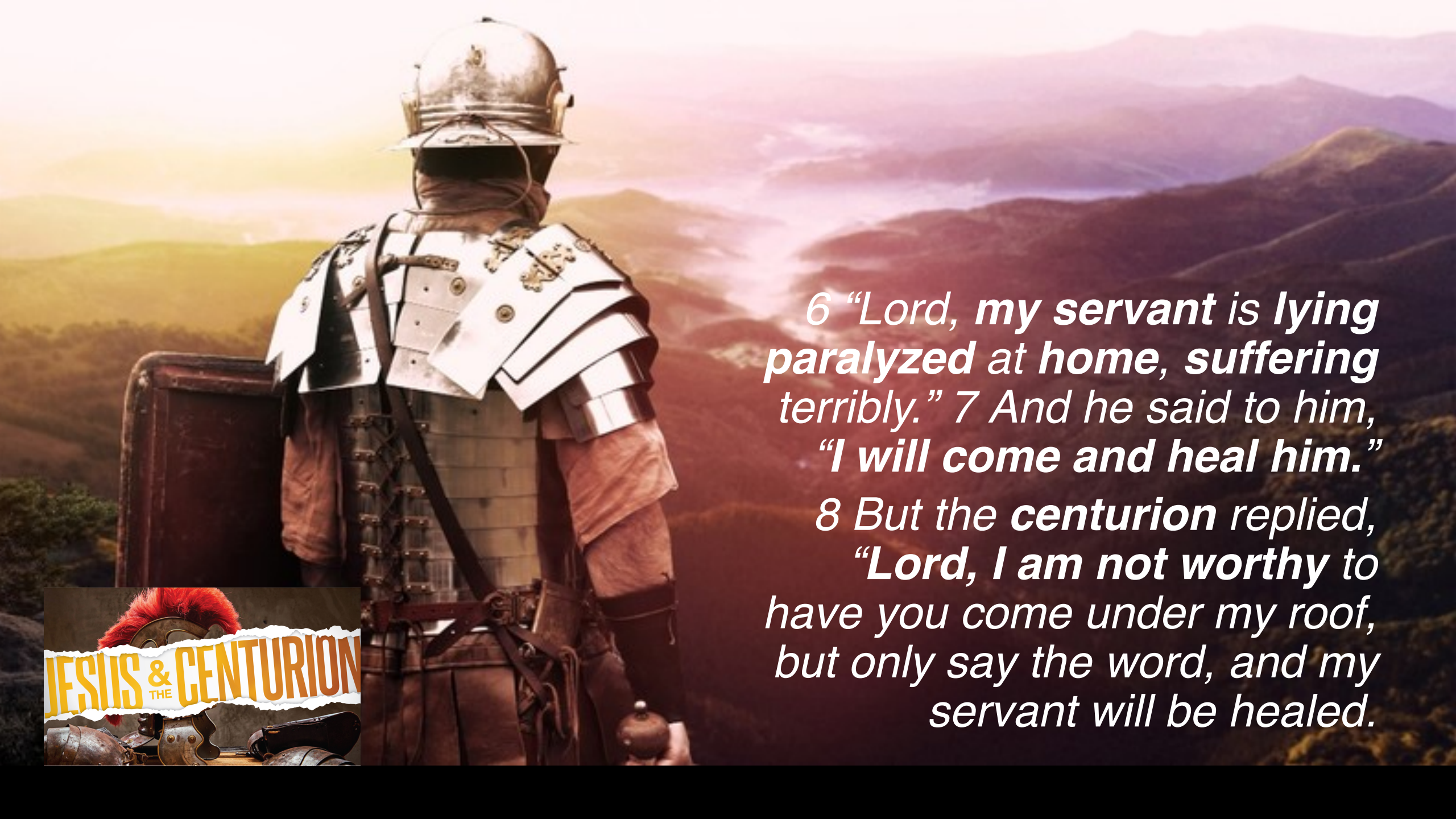


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**149
million
km**



6 “Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, suffering terribly.” 7 And he said to him, “I will come and heal him.”

8 But the centurion replied, “Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof, but only say the word, and my servant will be healed.”





HOW FAR/NEAR IS
HEAVEN &
HELL?



JESUS & THE CRIMINAL

#4

Luke 23:32-38

³² **Two** others, who were **criminals**, were **led away** to be **put to death** with him. ³³ And when they **came** to the place that is called *The Skull*, there they **crucified** him, and the criminals, one on his **right** and one on his **left**.

Luke 23:34-38

³⁴ *And **Jesus** said, “Father, **forgive** them, for they know not what they do.” And they cast lots to divide his garments.*

³⁵ *And **the people** stood by, watching, but **the rulers** scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!”*

Luke 23:36-38

³⁶ **The soldiers** also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”



**WHAT'S THE
DIFFERENCE?**



**IT'S HOW THEY
VIEWED THE MAN
IN THE CENTER**



CRIMINAL#1 :

- NO FEAR OF GOD
- NO REPENTANCE
- & PROUD

Luke 23:39-43 ESV

*³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, “**Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!**”*

CRIMINAL#2 :

- FEAR OF GOD
- REPENTANCE
- HUMBLE & HAVE FAITH

Luke 23:40-41 ESV

***40** But the other rebuked him, saying, “**Do you not fear God**, since you are under the same sentence of **condemnation**? **41** And we indeed justly, for we are **receiving** the due reward of our deeds; **but this man has done nothing wrong.**”*



WHAT DID CRIMINAL#2

ASK:

- JESUS, REMEMBER ME
- WHEN YOU
- COME INTO YOUR KINGDOM

Luke 23:42 ESV

⁴² And he said, “Jesus, **remember** me **when** you come into your **kingdom**.”

WHAT DID JESUS SAY :

- TODAY
- YOU WILL BE WITH ME
- IN PARADISE

Luke 23:43 ESV

*⁴³ And he said to him, “Truly, I say to you, **today** you will be **with me in paradise.**”*



HOW FAR/NEAR IS
HEAVEN &
HELL?

**HEAVEN IS WHERE JESUS IS,
AND TO BE WITH HIM IS TO
BE IN HEAVEN**



**WHAT MAKES THE STORY
SIGNIFICANT THAT
GOD IS NEAR?**



**#1- AS LONG AS YOU ARE
STILL ALIVE, IT IS NEVER
TOO LATE TO TURN TO JESUS**



**#2-EVEN IF YOU ARE THE
WORST SINNER EVER, JESUS
IS WAITING FOR YOU**



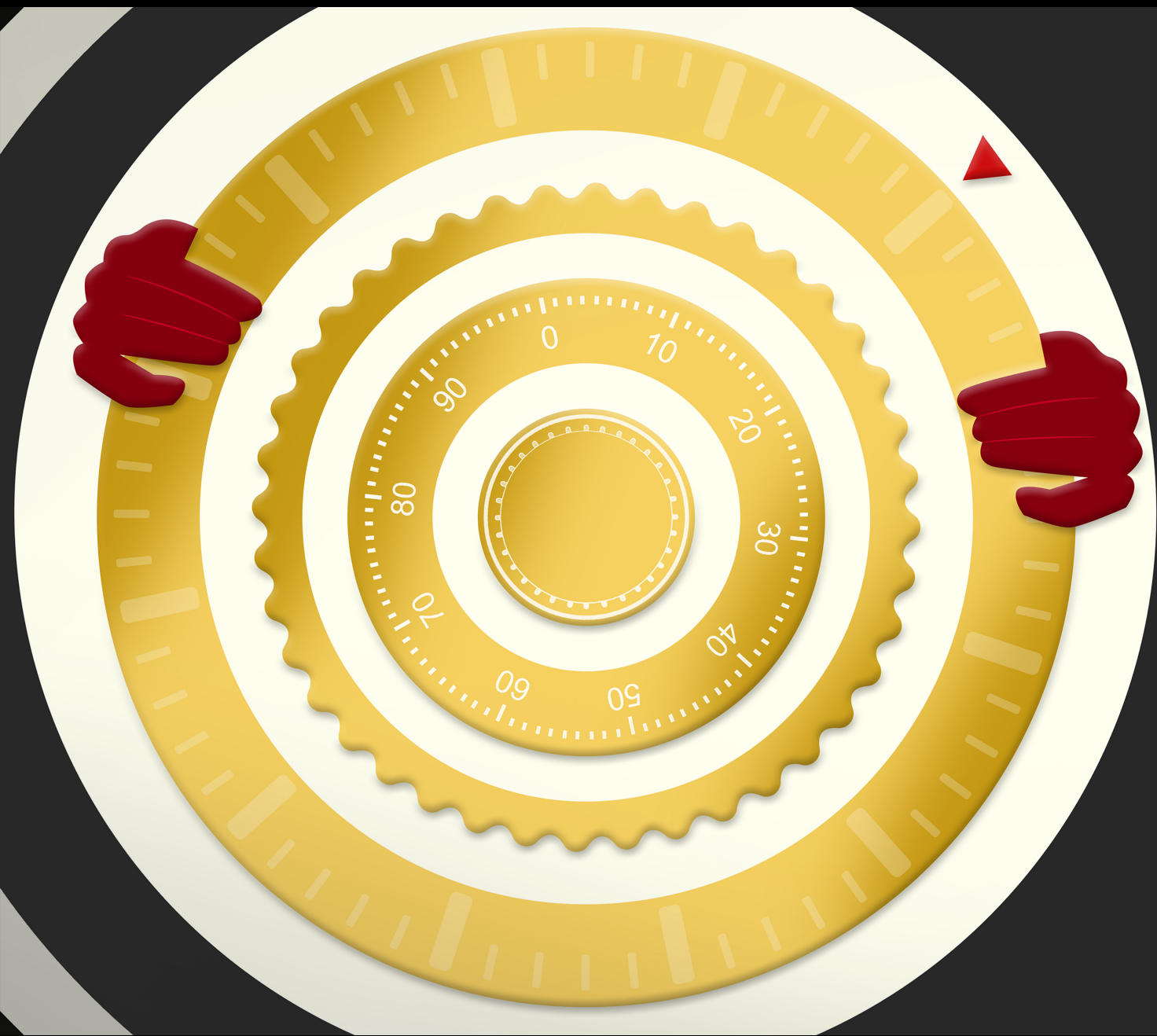
**#3-GOD HAS MADE THE GIFT
OF SALVATION AVAILABLE :
EXACTLY WHERE YOU ARE**



Lord Jesus,

- I'm sorry...
- Thank you...
- Please...





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