

The Book of Ephesians

The church that impacts the world

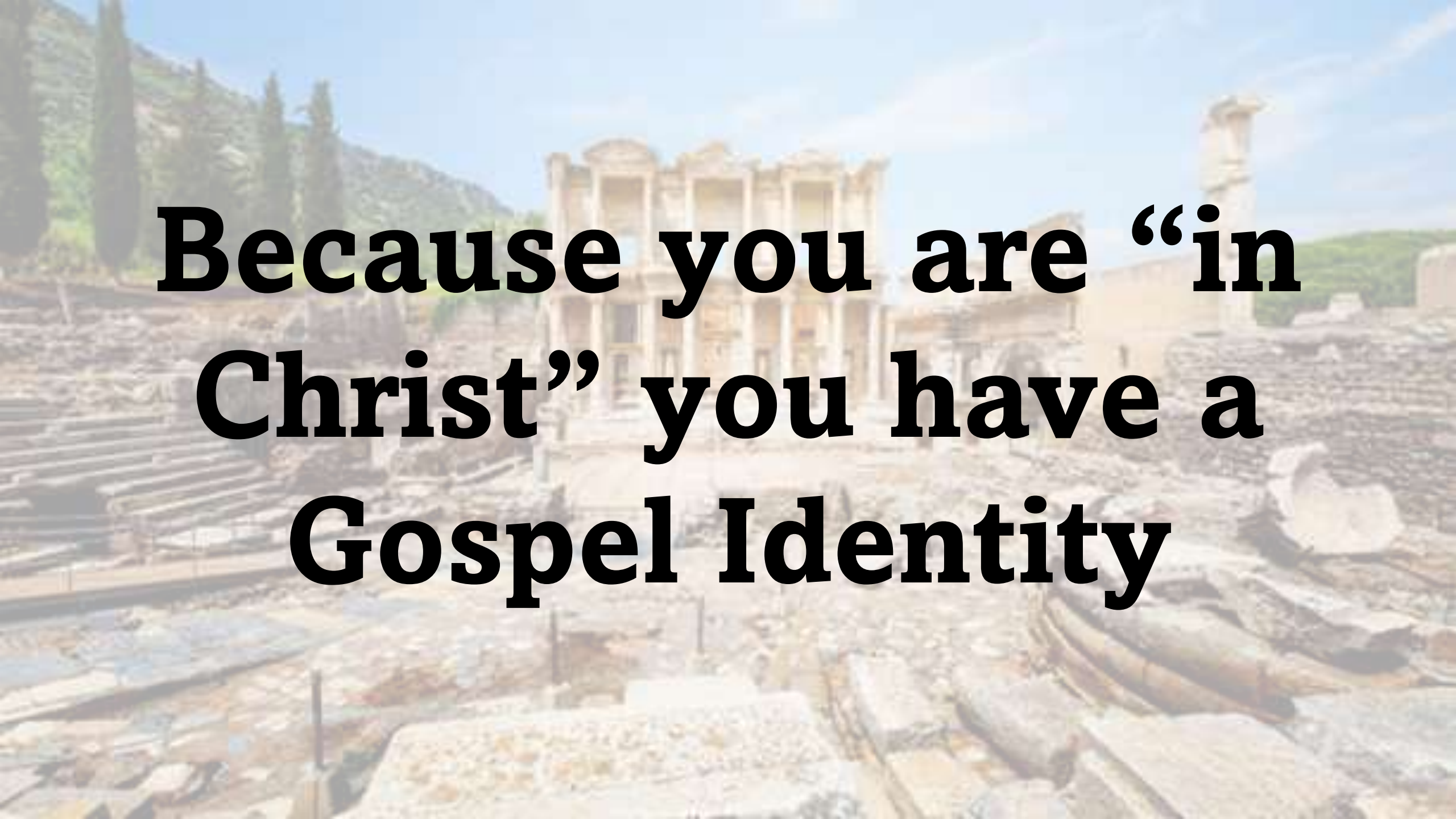


- Paul spent 3 years in Ephesus
- “All in the province of Asia heard the word of the Lord.”
- Public spiritual battle
- Mentioned in Revelation 2: “You have forsaken your first love.”

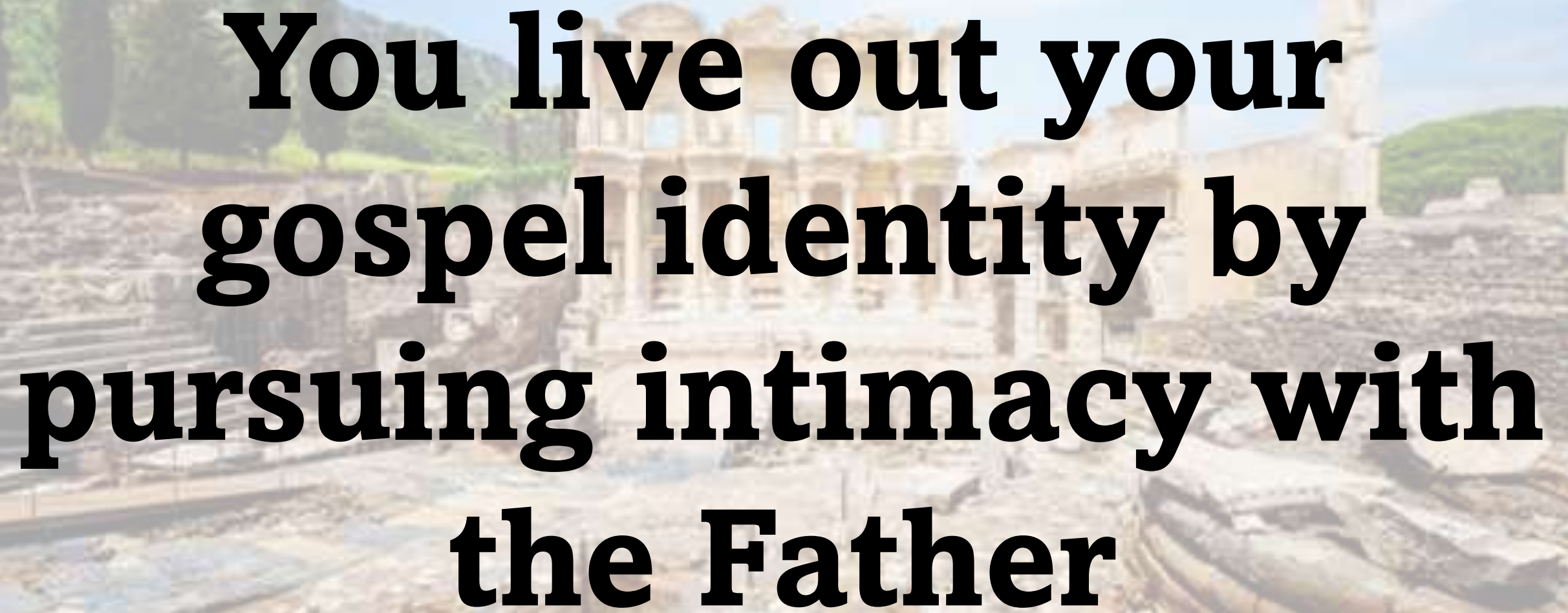
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**As a disciple of Jesus,
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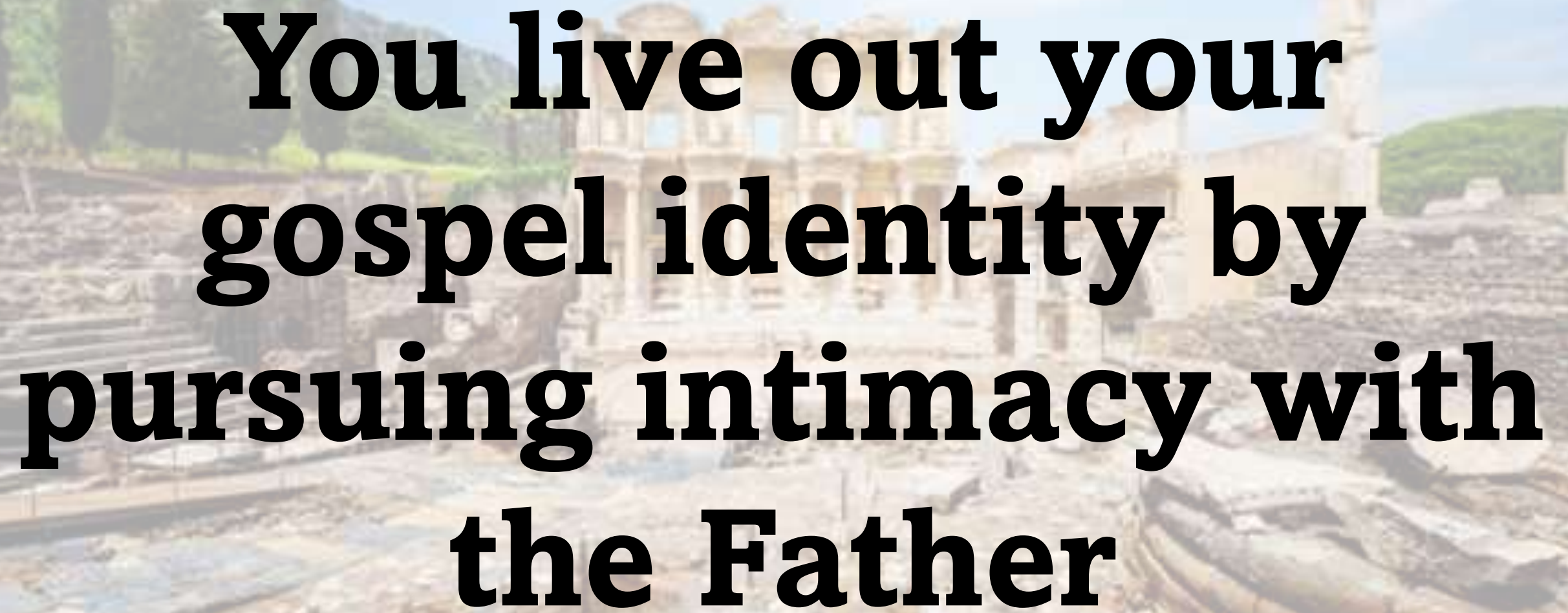
**Because you are “in
Christ” you have a
Gospel Identity**



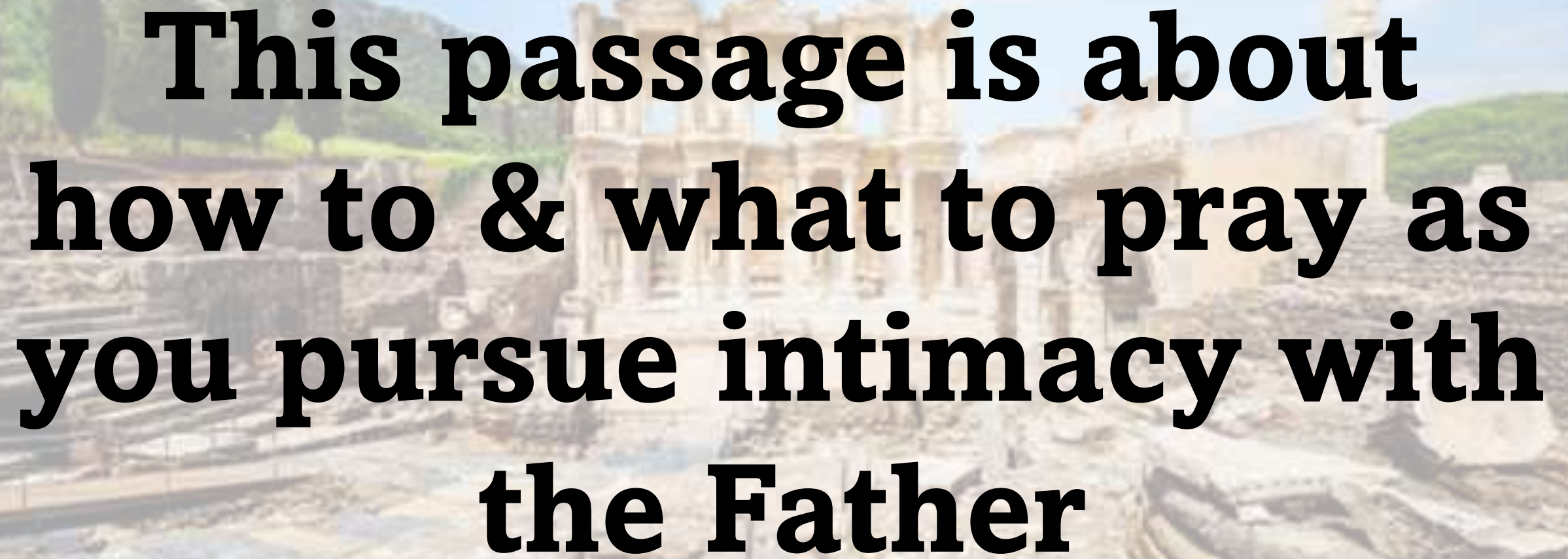
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Ephesians 1:15-23

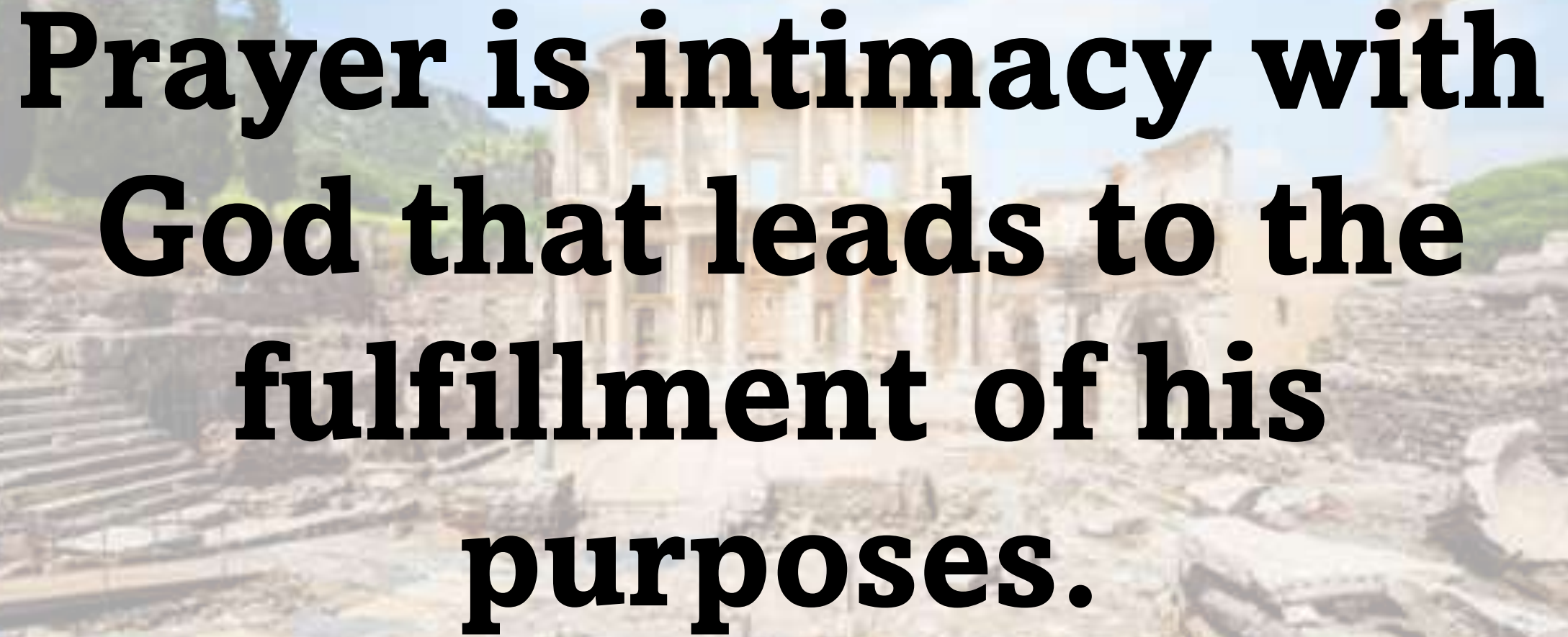




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**This passage is about
how to & what to pray as
you pursue intimacy with
the Father**



**Prayer is intimacy with
God that leads to the
fulfillment of his
purposes.**

-Alivn Reid



**Asking the Father for two
specific things that the Holy
Spirit provides:**

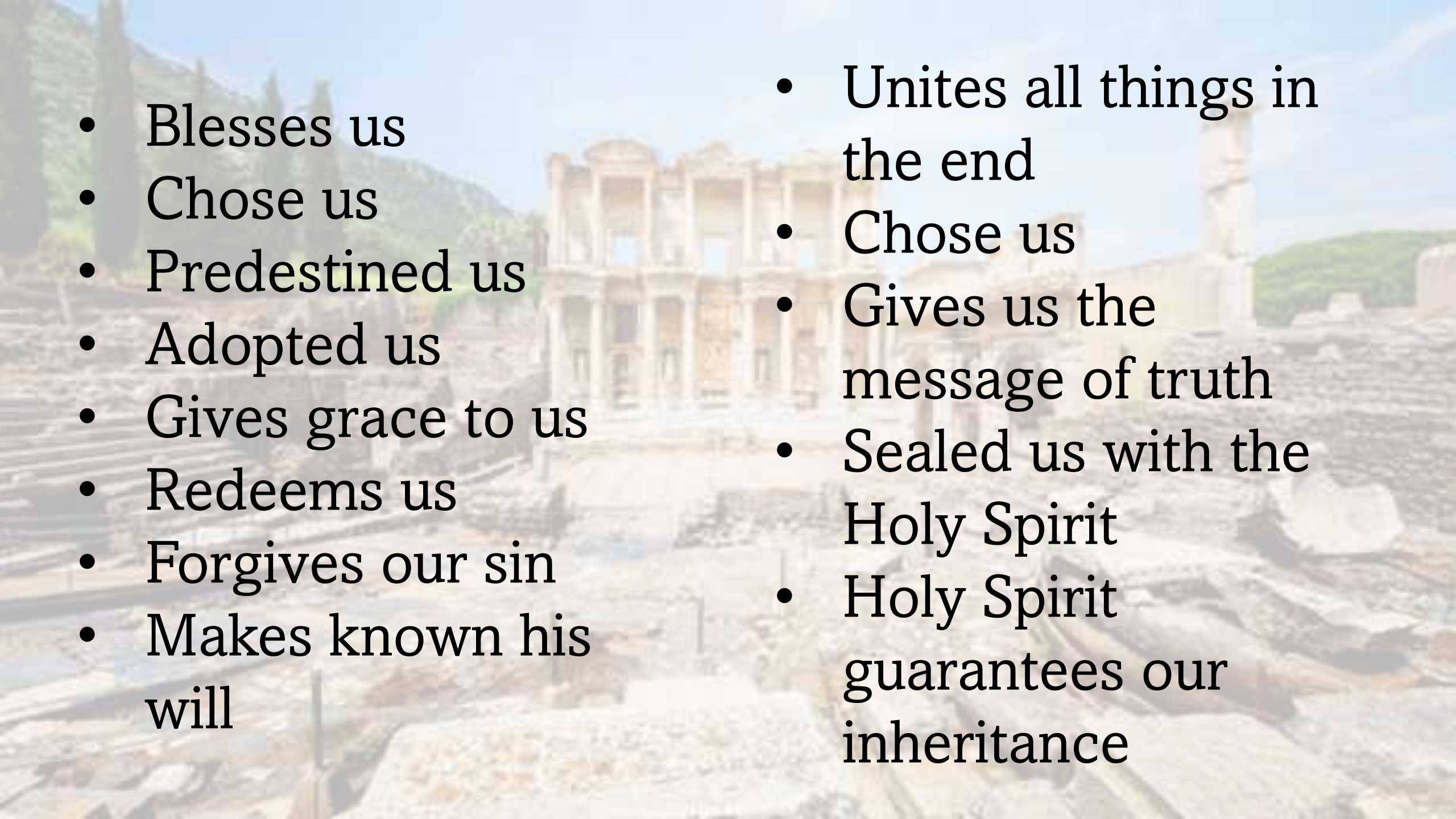
1. Wisdom

2. Revelation



**When you live out your gospel identity by
pursuing intimacy with the Father**

**You know the hope he
has called you to**

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- Blesses us
 - Chose us
 - Predestined us
 - Adopted us
 - Gives grace to us
 - Redeems us
 - Forgives our sin
 - Makes known his will

- Unites all things in the end
- Chose us
- Gives us the message of truth
- Sealed us with the Holy Spirit
- Holy Spirit guarantees our inheritance



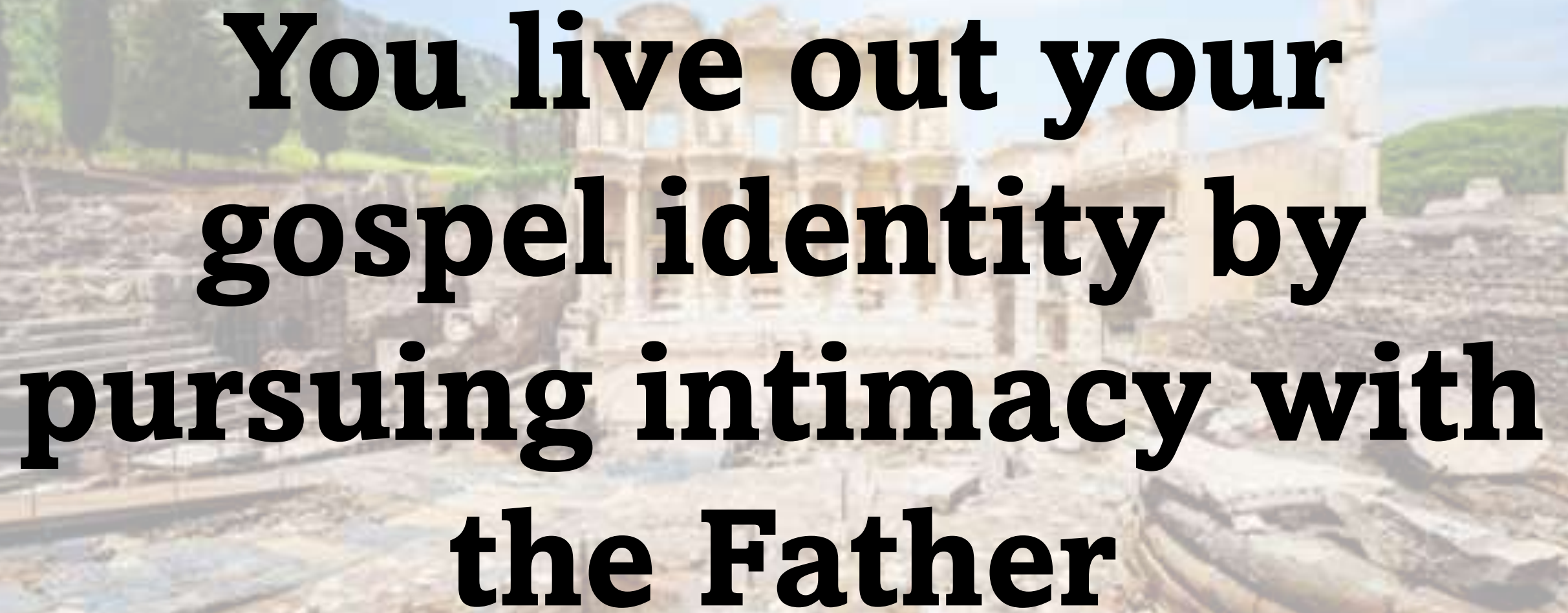
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**You know the riches of
his glorious inheritance**



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**You know his
incomparably great
power**



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The background image shows the archaeological site of the Temple of Apollo in Side, Turkey. In the center, there is a large, two-story temple structure with several columns. To the right, a tall, isolated column stands prominently. The foreground is filled with the ruins of an ancient theater, including stone seating and various architectural fragments. The scene is set against a backdrop of green hills and a clear blue sky.

Action Steps



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Pray it!

Pray it for yourself:

Father I ask that you give me the Spirit of wisdom and revelation so that I may know you better. Open the eyes of my heart so that I know the hope to which you have called me, the riches of your glorious inheritance in your holy people, and your incomparably great power for us who believe.

How to pray this for others:

I keep asking you, the God of my Lord Jesus Christ, my glorious Father, may you give the Spirit of wisdom and revelation to _____, so that s/he may know you better. 18 I pray that the eyes of _____'s heart may be enlightened in order that they may know the hope to which you have called them, the riches of your glorious inheritance in your holy people, 19 and your incomparably great power for us who believe.