

Happy
New Year



IN CHRIST
ALONE

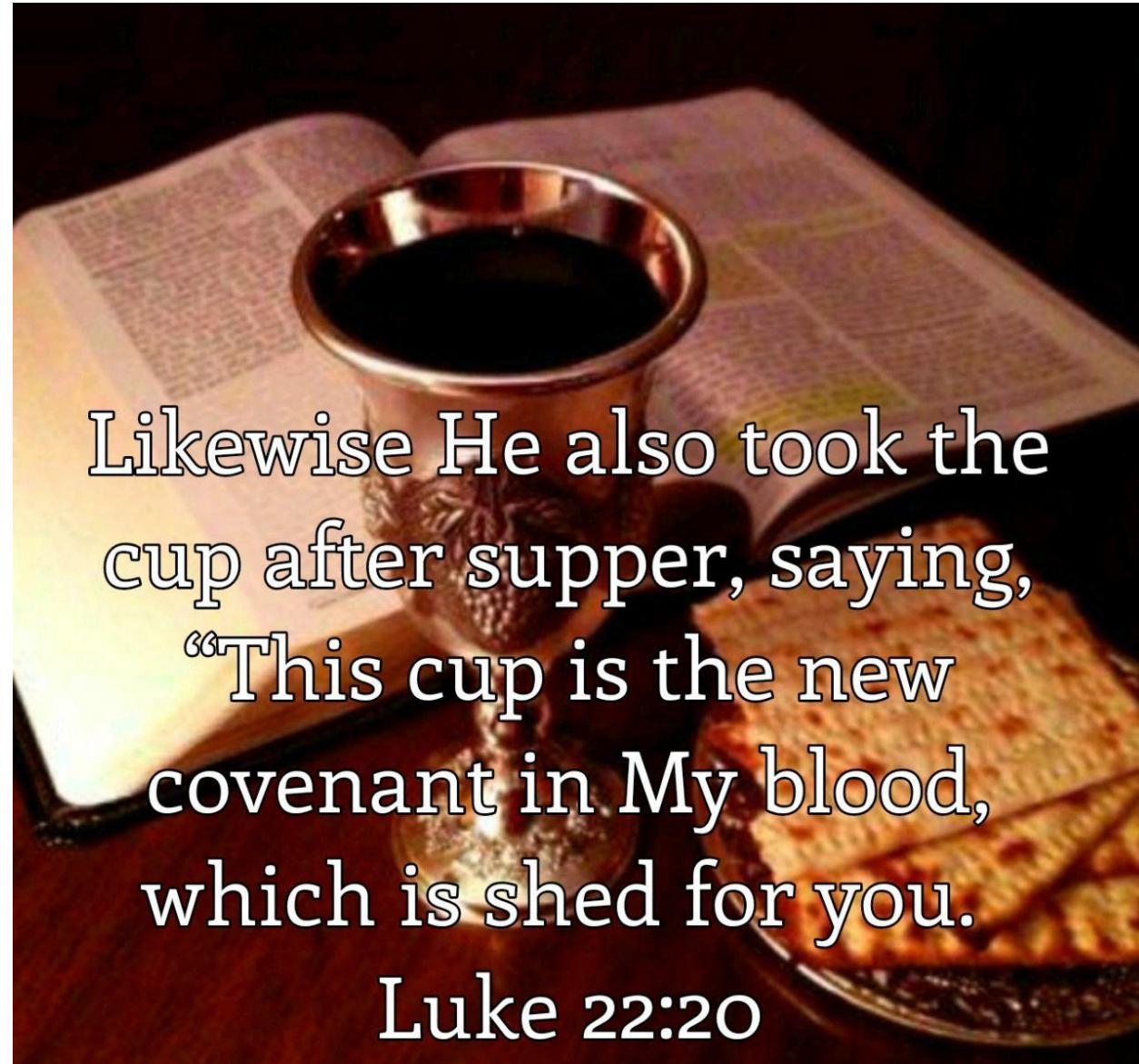


- In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and
storm
What heights of love, what depths of
peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings
cease
My comforter, my all in all
Here, in the love of Christ, I stand

THE NEW
TESTAMENT



- Galatians 4:4-5
- “But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of woman, born under law, to redeem those who were under law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.”



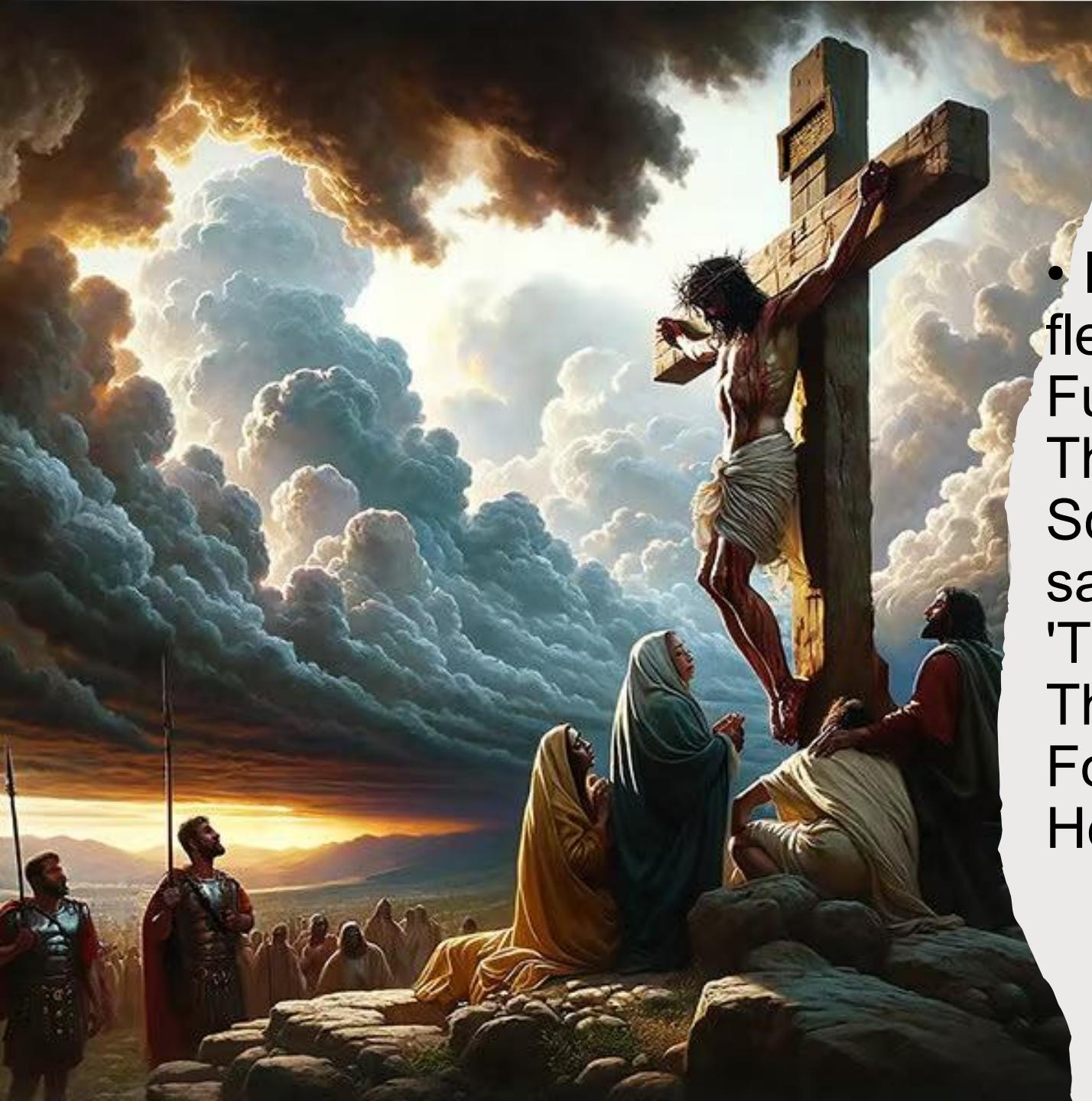
Likewise He also took the cup after supper, saying,
“This cup is the new covenant in My blood,
which is shed for you.

Luke 22:20

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**2. prepare them for a new way
of grace**



- In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Till on that cross, as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin, on Him, was laid
Here, in the death of Christ, I live

2 Corinthians 5:17-19

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! ¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹ that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men’s sins against them.”

It is through Christ's death that forgiveness is offered, allowing believers to be reconciled with God.



- **1 John 2:2** proclaims, "He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world."



- There in the ground, His body lay
Light of the world, by darkness,
slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave, He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of
Christ

Isaac Watts

“Joy to the World, the Lord has come. Let earth receive her King. Let every nation prepare Him room and heaven and nature sing. He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the nations prove the wonders of His majesty.”

It's about when He comes again finally and rules in power and justice and mercy.

Psalm 98 Verse 9

“let them sing before the Lord,
for he comes to judge the earth.
He will judge the world in righteousness
and the peoples with equity.”

Joy to the world! the Lord is come;
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.
Joy to the world! the Saviour reigns;
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as, the curse is found.
He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders, of His love.

Revelation 19:16

“On his robe and on his thigh he has
this name written:
king of kings and lord of lords”





JOHN C.
LENNOX

GOD, AI
& THE END
OF HISTORY

UNDERSTANDING THE BOOK OF REVELATION
IN AN AGE OF INTELLIGENT MACHINES

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of Hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
'Till He returns or calls me home
Here, in the power of Christ, I'll stand

The Letter to Ephesus

To the angel of the church in Ephesus write:

These are the words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand and walks among the seven golden lampstands:

I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked men, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false. You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name and have not grown weary.

Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken your first love.

Remember the height from which you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place. But you have this in your favor: You hate the practices of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.

He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.

IN THAT DAY THIS SONG WILL BE
SUNG IN THE LAND OF JUDAH: WE
HAVE A STRONG CITY; SALVATION
IS ESTABLISHED AS ITS WALLS AND
RAMPARTS.

- ISAIAH 26:1





"Men and women naturally fear the process of dying, which can be very unpleasant. Yet the Lord through his resurrection can take the sting out of it. However, the second death, that is, final separation from God, holds no threat for a believer, since nothing can separate us from the love of Christ.

By contrast with all other world views, Christianity is unique in that Jesus Christ offers us something that none of them offer: ultimate hope and victory in the face of death. The additional wonder of it all is that this hope can be known in this life."

Then I saw a New Heaven
and a New Earth

Revelation 21:1

Hebrews 8:8-12

But God found fault with the people and said: “The time is coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah.

⁹It will not be like the covenant I made with their forefathers when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they did not remain faithful to my covenant, and I turned away from them, declares the Lord.

¹⁰This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after that time, declares the Lord. I will put my laws in their minds and write them on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people.

¹¹No longer will a man teach his neighbor, or a man his brother, saying, ‘Know the Lord,’ because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest.

¹²For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.”

Hebrews 6:18-19a

God did this so that, by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to take hold of the hope offered to us may be greatly encouraged.

19 We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure

Hebrews 9:22

“In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.”

Whoever believes in him is not condemned,
but whoever does not believe in him
already stands condemned,
because he has not believed in the name
of the only-begotten Son of God.

John 3:18

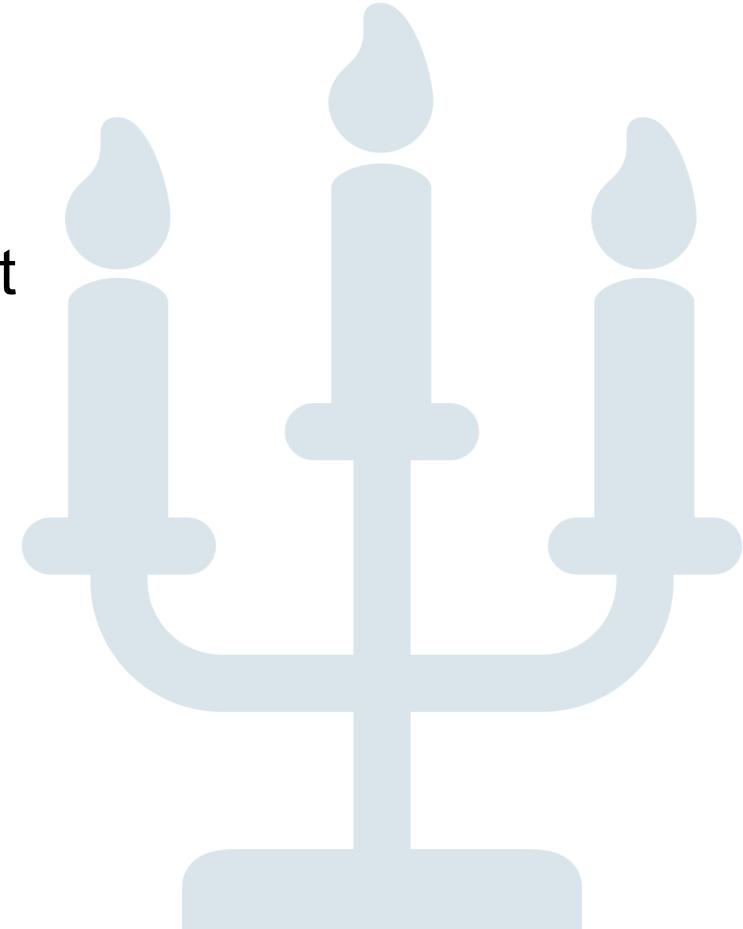
Hebrews 10:11-14

- 11 Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins.

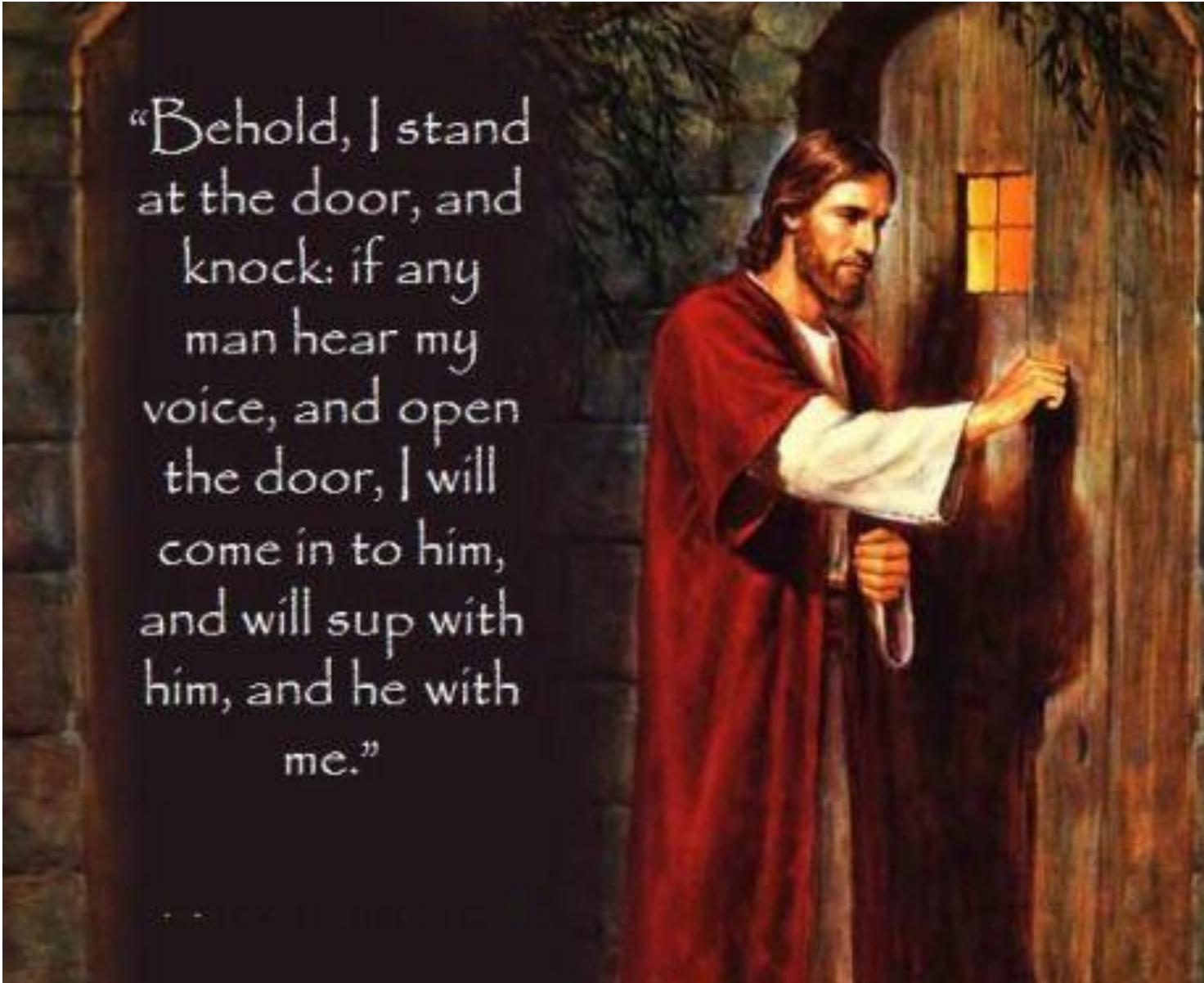
12 But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God.

13 Since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool,

14 because by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.



“Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.”



Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.



Revelation 22:20

At the Old Rugged Cross;

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Jesus Paid It All;

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And Because He Lives;

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I Have Victory in Jesus;

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And I am Leaning on the Everlasting Arms;

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And Because My Hope is Built on Nothing Less;

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When I Turn My Eyes Upon Jesus;

At the Old Rugged Cross;
Jesus Paid It All;
And Because He Lives;
I Have Victory in Jesus;
And I am Leaning on the Everlasting Arms;
And Standing on The Promises;
And Because My Hope is Built on Nothing Less;
I Have Blessed Assurance;
When I Turn My Eyes Upon Jesus;
I can truly sing How Great Thou Art;

At the Old Rugged Cross;
Jesus Paid It All;
And Because He Lives;
I Have Victory in Jesus;
And I am Leaning on the Everlasting Arms;
And Standing on The Promises;
And Because My Hope is Built on Nothing Less;
I Have Blessed Assurance;
When I Turn My Eyes Upon Jesus;
I can truly sing How Great Thou Art;
Because It is Well With My Soul

A photograph of a dark, silhouetted hill against a vibrant sunset. The sky is filled with horizontal bands of orange, yellow, and white clouds. A simple wooden cross stands prominently on the peak of the hill. In the bottom right corner, the dark silhouette of a single tree is visible.

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