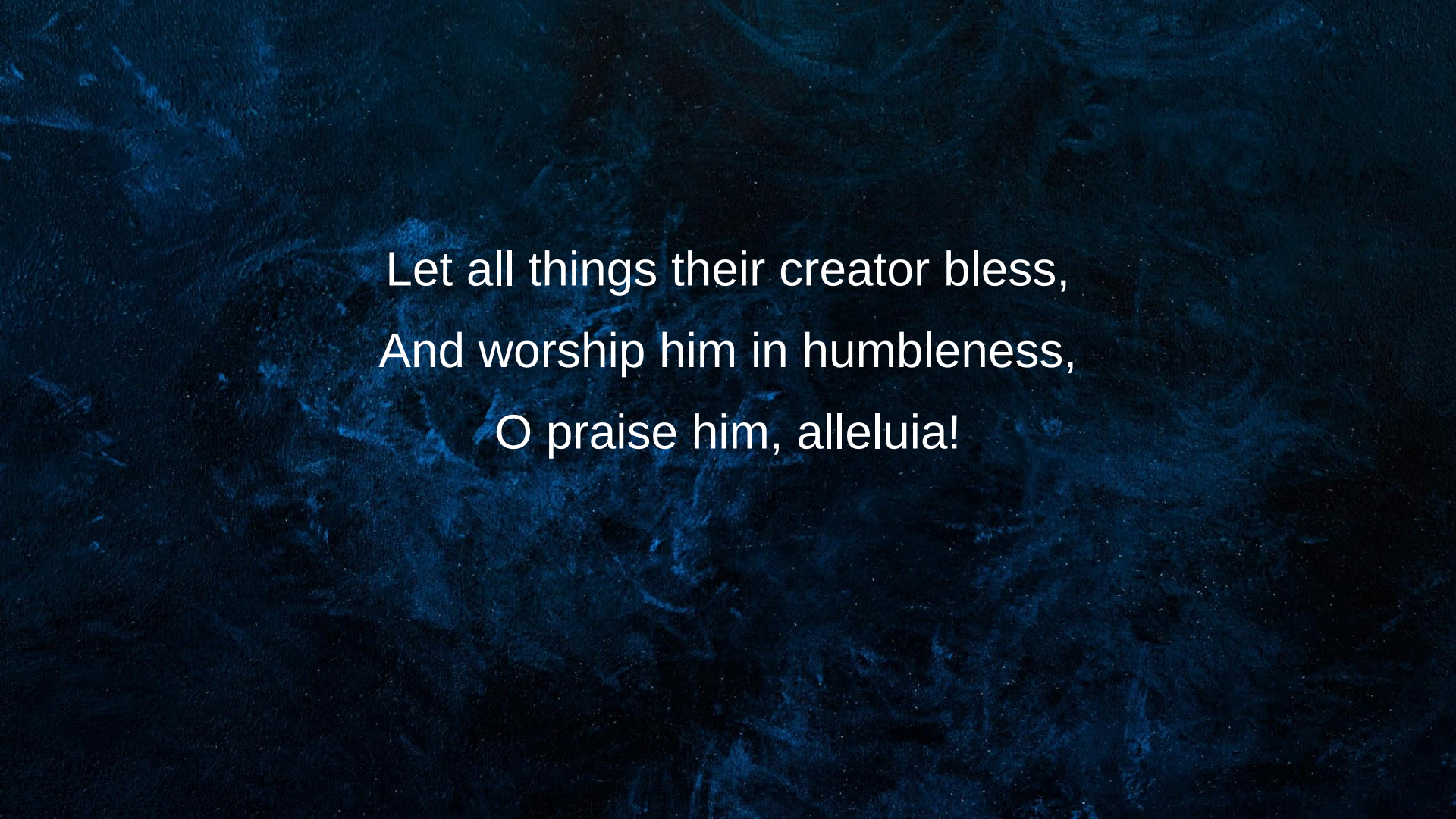
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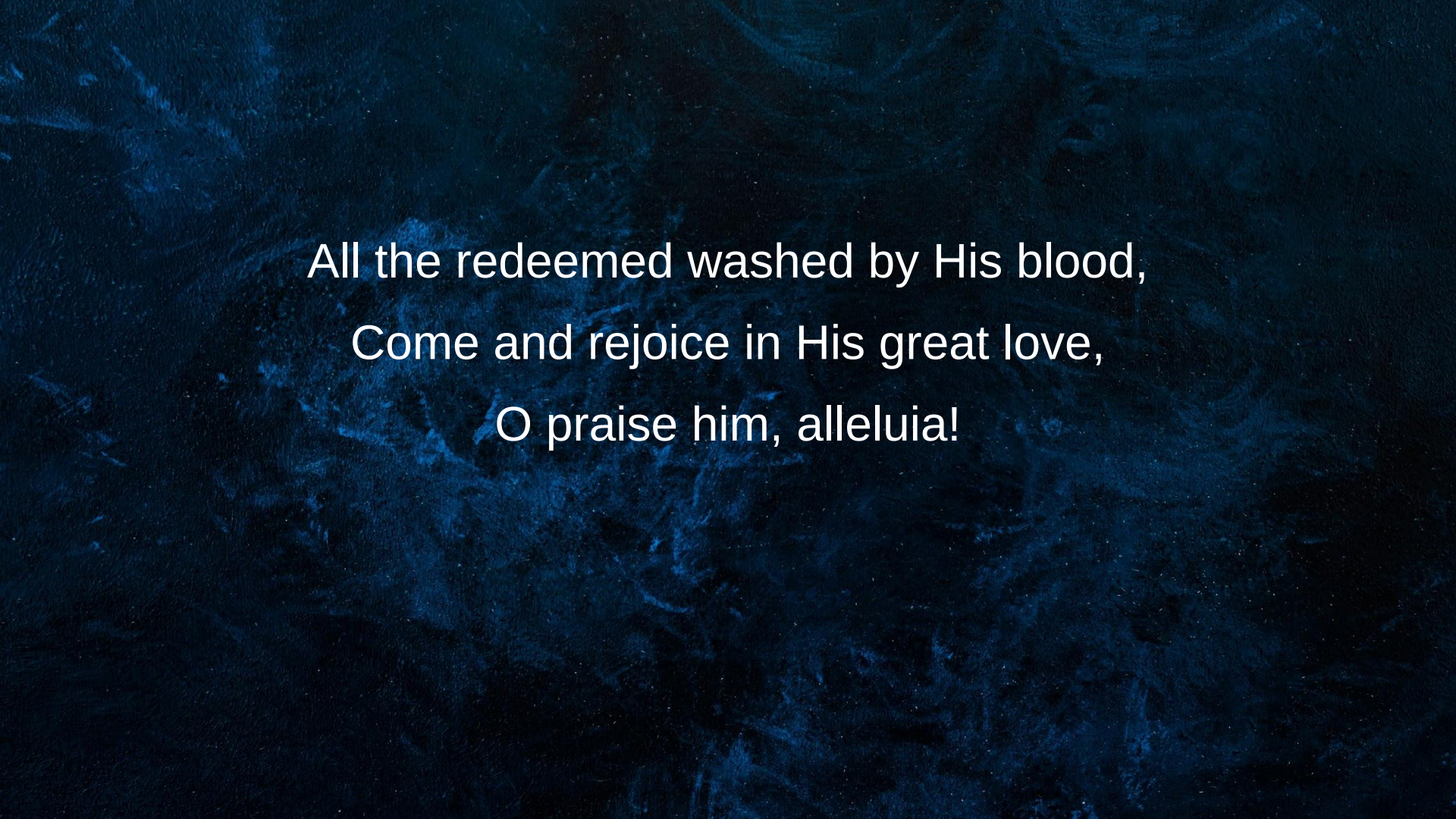
All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing
O praise him, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

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Let all things their creator bless,
And worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, alleluia!

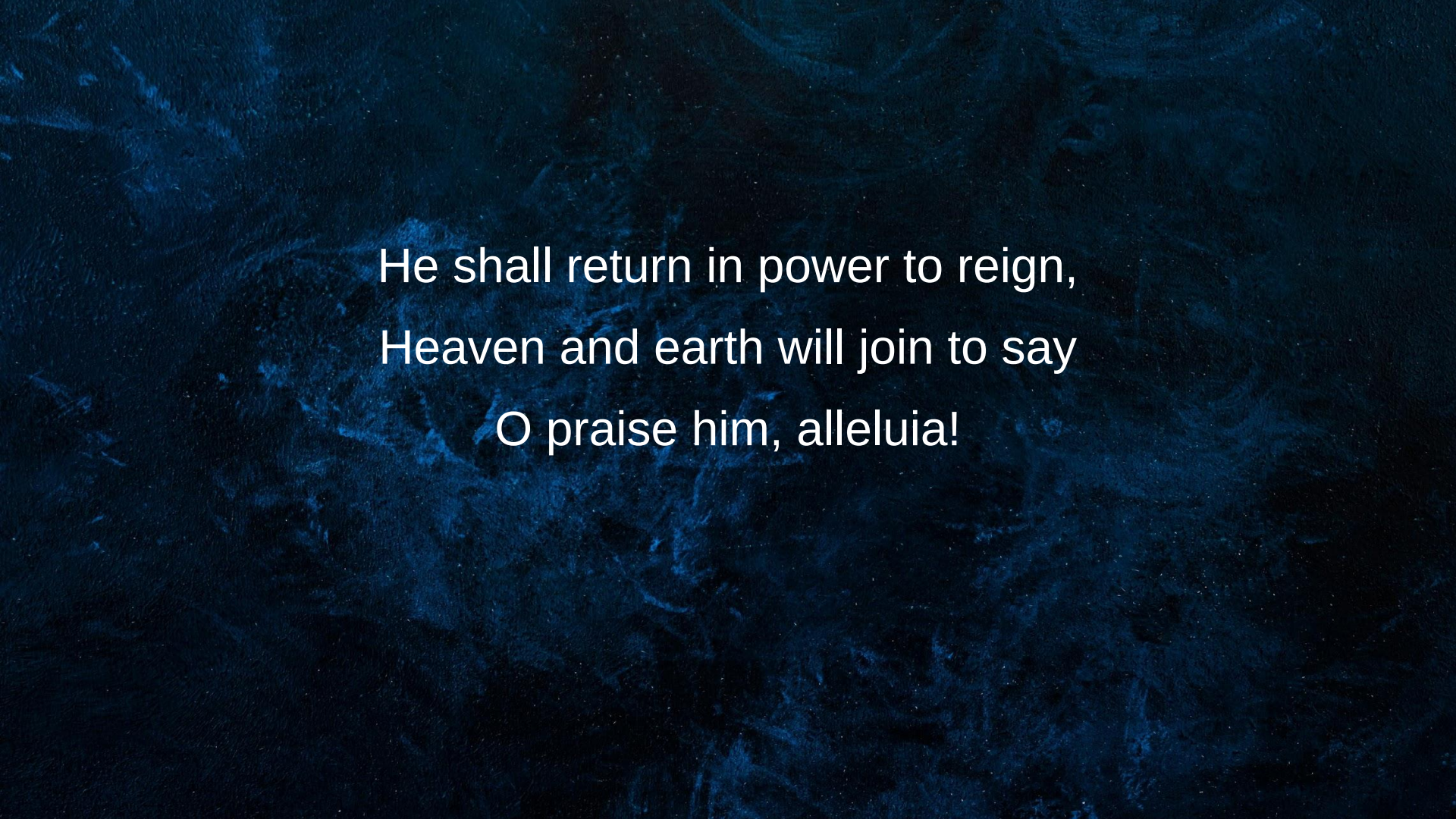
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One:
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

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All the redeemed washed by His blood,
Come and rejoice in His great love,
O praise him, alleluia!

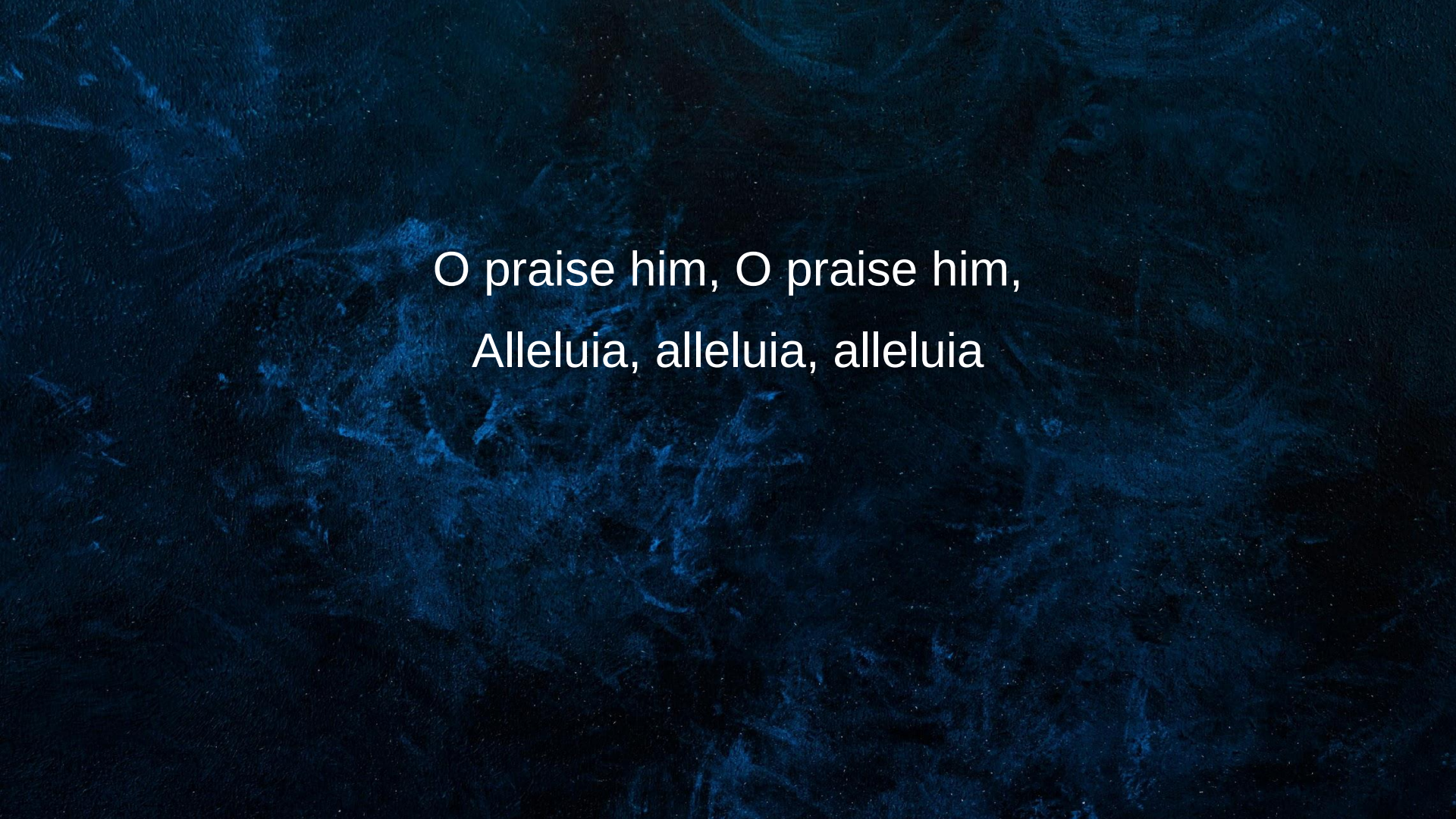
Christ has defeated every sin,
Cast all your burdens now on Him.

O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

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He shall return in power to reign,
Heaven and earth will join to say
O praise him, alleluia!

Then who shall fall on bended knee,
All creatures of our God and King:
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia,

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O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

All sufficient merit
shining like the sun
A fortune I inherit
by no work I have done

My righteousness I forfeit
at my Savior's cross
Where all sufficient merit
did what I could not

In love He condescended
eternal now in time
A life without a blemish
The Maker made to die

The law could never save us
our lawlessness had won
Until the pure and spotless
Lamb had finally come

It is done it is finished

No more debt I owe

Paid in full

All sufficient merit now my own

I lay down my garments
any empty boasts
Good works all corrupted
by the sinful host

Dressed in my Lord Jesus
a crimson robe made white
No more fear of judgement
His righteousness is mine

It is done it is finished

No more debt I owe

Paid in full

All sufficient merit now my own

It is done it is finished

No more debt I owe

Paid in full

All sufficient merit now my own
It's now my own

All sufficient merit
firm in life and death
The joy of my salvation
shall be my final breath

All sufficient merit
firm in life and death
When I stand accepted
before the throne of God

I'll gaze upon my Jesus
and thank Him for the cross
Yes I'll thank You for the cross

It is done it is finished

No more debt I owe

Paid in full

All sufficient merit now my own

It is done it is finished

No more debt I owe

Paid in full

All sufficient merit now my own

Merit now my own

Merit now my own

Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within

Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that is greater than all our sin

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,
Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt

Yonder on Calvary's mount out-poured
There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt

Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within

Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that is greater than all our sin

Sin and despair, like the sea-waves cold,
Threaten the soul with infinite loss

Grace that is greater, yes, grace untold,
Points to the Refuge, the mighty Cross

Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within

Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that is greater than all our sin

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace,
Freely bestowed on all who believe

All who are longing to see His face,
Will you this moment His grace receive

Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within

Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that is greater than all our sin

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SESSION 1

EDUCATION AS

FORMATION





Psalm

127:1-2

Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain.

Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchman stays awake in vain.

It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil; for he gives to his beloved sleep.



Psalm

127:3-5

Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD,
the fruit of the womb a reward.

Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the
children of one's youth.

Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with
them!

He shall not be put to shame when they speak
with their enemies in the gate.

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Education is not a subject, and
does not deal in subjects. It is
instead a transfer of a way of life.

~ G.K. Chesterton, What's Wrong with the World

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A DEFINITION OF FORMATION

Spiritual Formation is the process of grace
instructing us to know God accurately, love rightly,
and live biblically
as we are made like Jesus by His Spirit.
(Titus 2:11-14; Romans 8:28-30; 1 Corinthians 2)



EDUCATION IS FUNDAMENTALLY ABOUT FORMATION

Students (we also) are always being formed by something...

What is most shaping them today?

What are they typically being shaped toward?

How are our practices properly and improperly shaping them?

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If Christian education is, in some significant sense, about the formation of a Christian worldview, then we need to consider how the unconscious is shaped and formed.

~ James K.A. Smith, *Desiring the Kingdom* (2009)

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1 Peter 3:14-17

But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, **always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you**; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.



EDUCATION IS FUNDAMENTALLY ABOUT FORMATION

ARTIFACTS

INSTITUTIONS

VALUES

BELIEFS

Apologetics: a
compelling defense...

**We cannot give what
we do not have**





REFLECTION QUESTIONS



What kind of Formation are you seeking?
Transformation or Conformity?



One of the fatal errors of Christian education is that we ask the law to do what only grace can accomplish, and as a result, many of our schools actually offer a Christless Christian education.

Paul David Tripp | Your Christian School: A Culture of Grace?





Of ultimate importance, then, is not that I become good, or that the condition of the world be improved by my efforts, but that the reality of God show itself everywhere to be the ultimate reality.

~ Kevin Vanhoozer, *Faith Speaking Understanding*





TISH HARRISON WARREN, LITURGY OF THE ORDINARY



If I am to spend my whole life being transformed by the good news of Jesus, I must learn how grand, sweeping truths—doctrine, theology, ecclesiology, Christology—rub against the texture of an average day. How I spend this ordinary day in Christ is how I will spend my Christian life.



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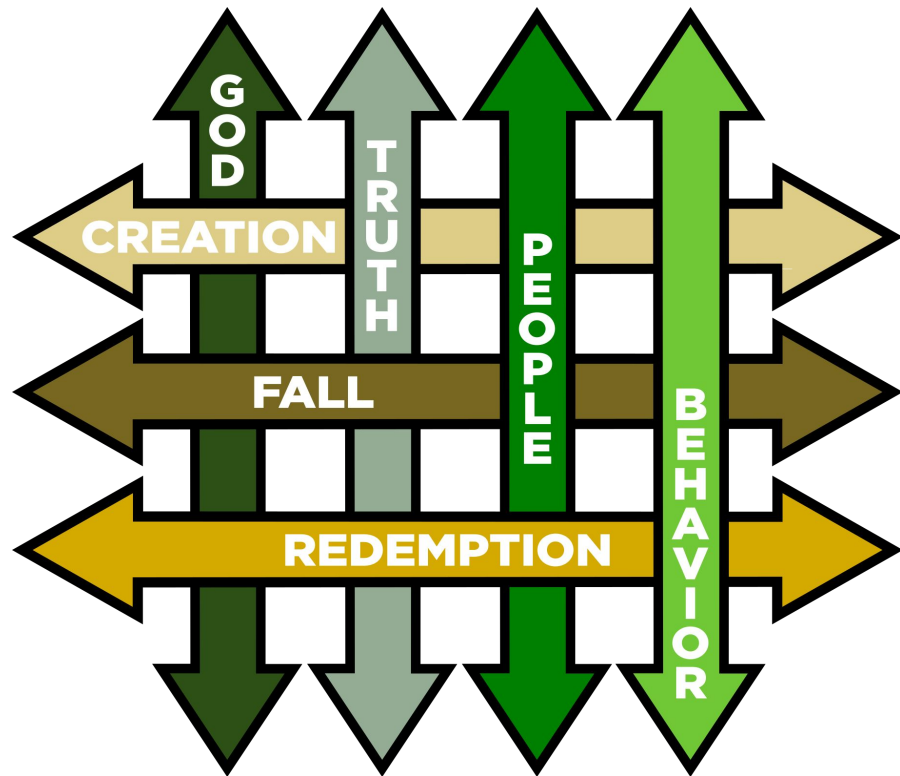


We don't wake up daily and form a way of being-in-the-world from scratch, and we don't think our way through every action of our day. We move in patterns that we have set over time, day by day. These habits and practices shape our loves, our desires, and ultimately who we are and what we worship.



What are your central ideas?

“...The grid through which
one sees the world”
Francis Schaeffer





“When Faith is conceived
as belief in a person,
there is no conflict
between faith and life.”

Nicholas Wolterstorff





What Hebrews Teaches Us

Jesus is Better

The Prophets (**Hebrews 1:1-3**)

The Angels (**1:4-14; 2:5-18**)

The Lawgiver, Moses (**3:2-6**)

The Sabbath (**4:1-16; 5:1-10**)

The Priesthood (**7:4-28; 8:1-6; 9:11**)

The Old Covenant (**8:6-13; 9:1-28**)

The Old Testament Sacrifices
(**9:11-14, 23, 28; 10:1-12**)



COME
FOLLOW
ME



TRUTH



DESIRE



HABITS



JESUS' SPIRITUAL FORMATION METHODS

GROUNDING IN
TRUTH



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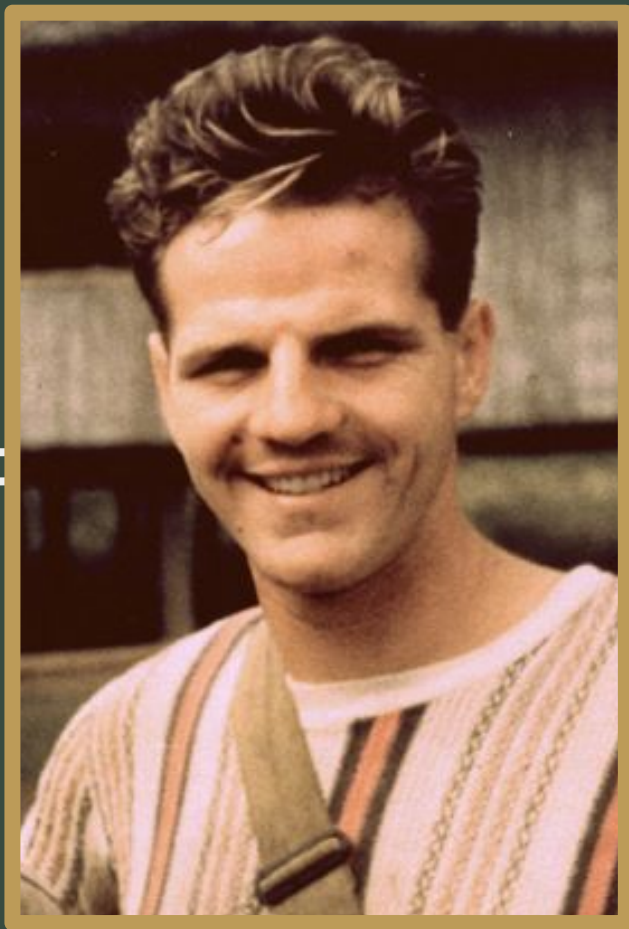
TRANSFORMED THROUGH
RELATIONSHIPS

SOLIDIFIED THROUGH
EXPERIENCE



Mark 8:35-37

For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. **For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?** For what can a man give in return for his soul?





What are your
“formation fears?”



John 6:60-67

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?” But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, “Do you take offense at this? ...

After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. So Jesus said to the twelve, “Do you want to go away as well?” Simon Peter answered him,