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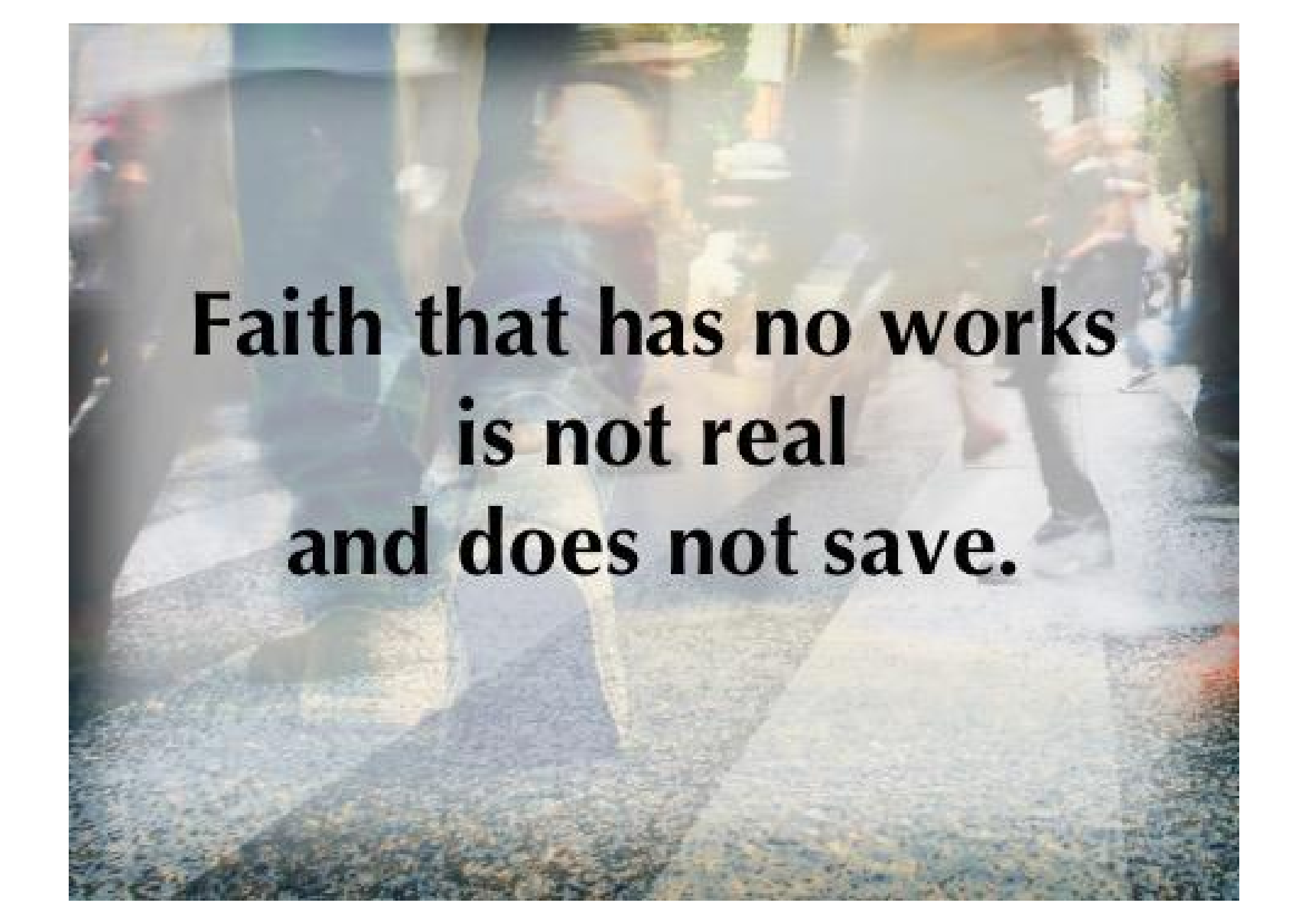
How to Live Out Your Faith

*A journey through
the book of James*

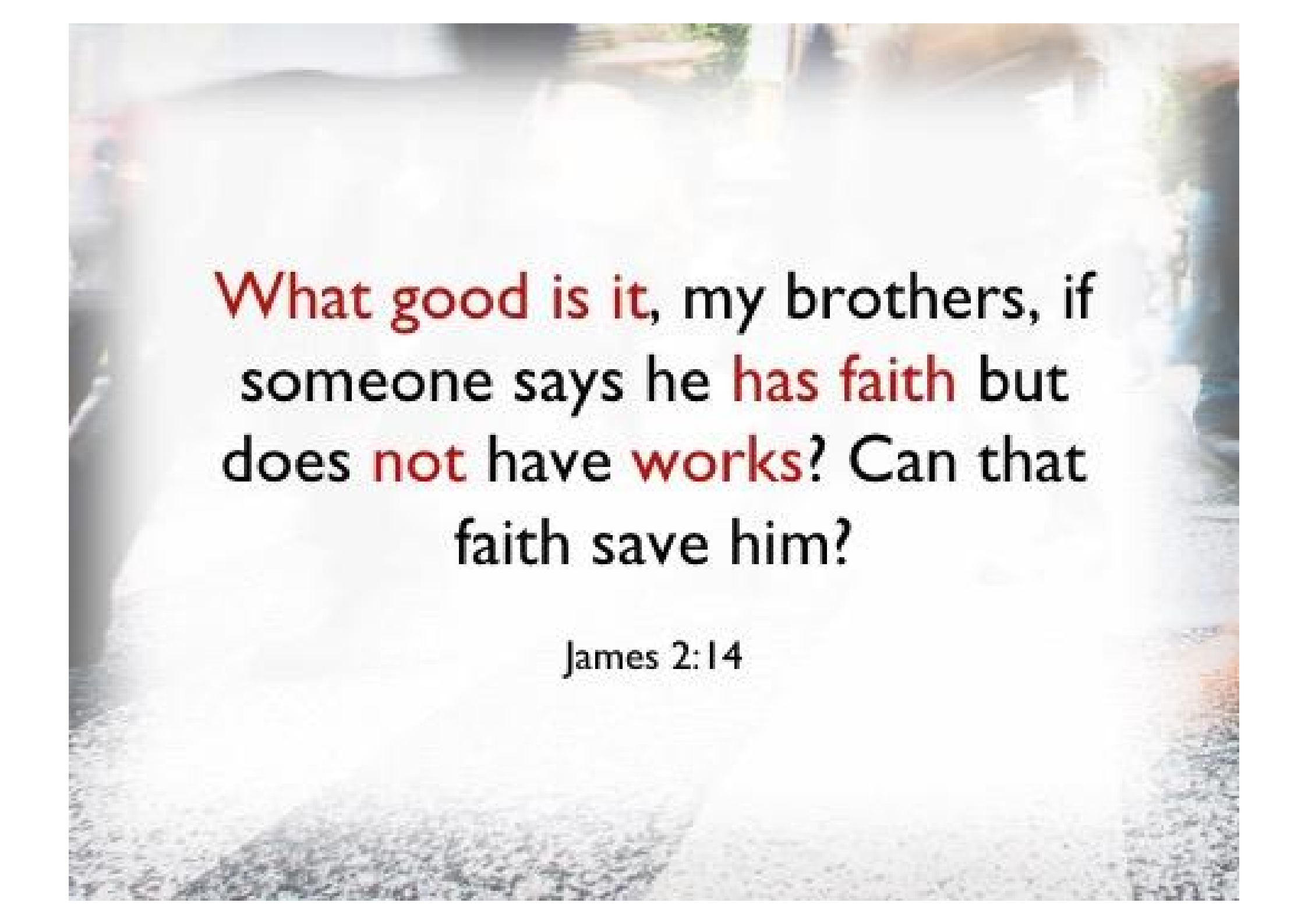
A blurred background image of a busy city street. In the foreground, a person is walking, wearing blue jeans and a light-colored jacket. In the background, a person is visible in a wheelchair, and other pedestrians are walking. The scene is captured with a shallow depth of field and motion blur, suggesting a fast-paced urban environment.

Faith or Works?

James 2:14-19

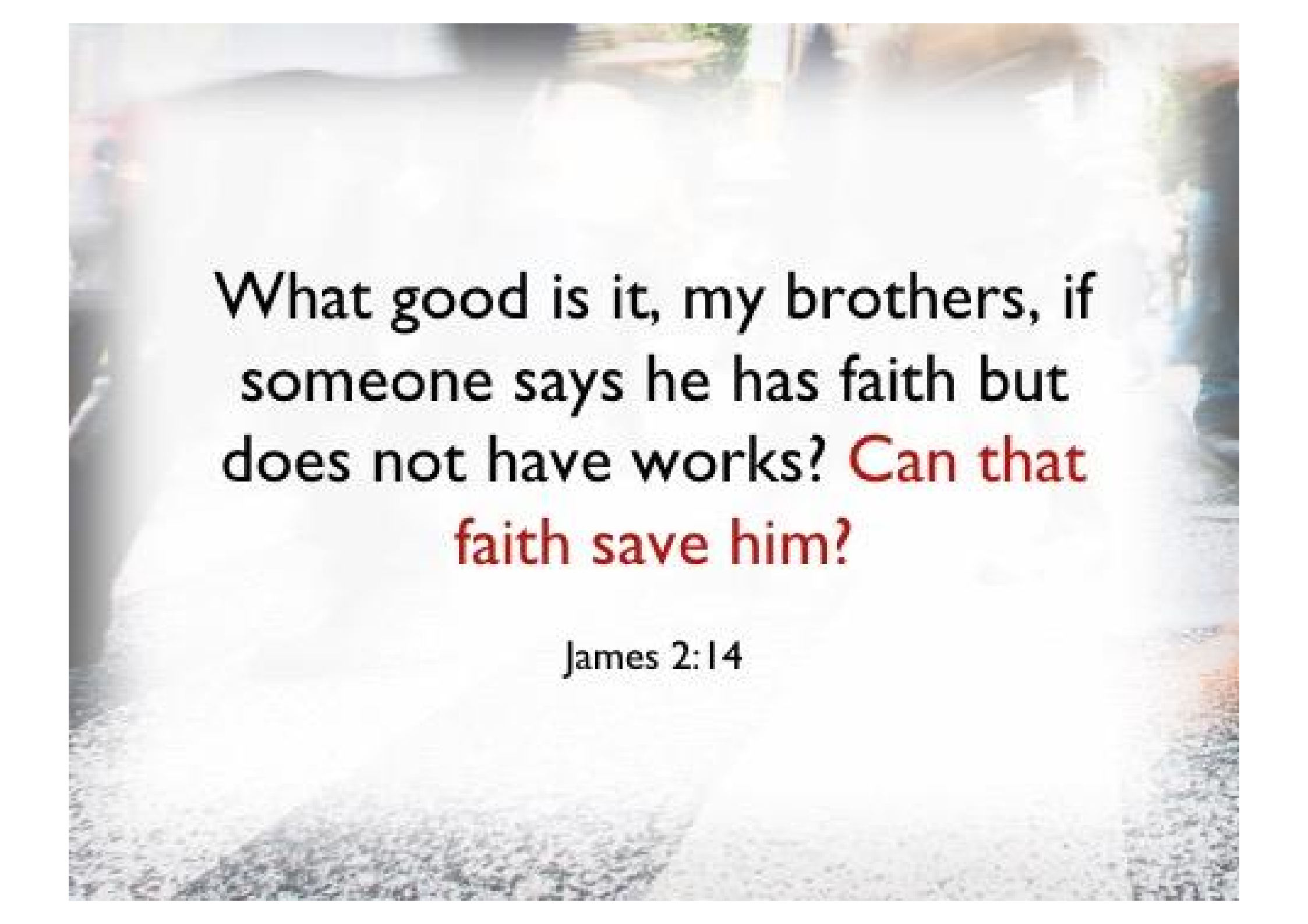


**Faith that has no works
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and does not save.**



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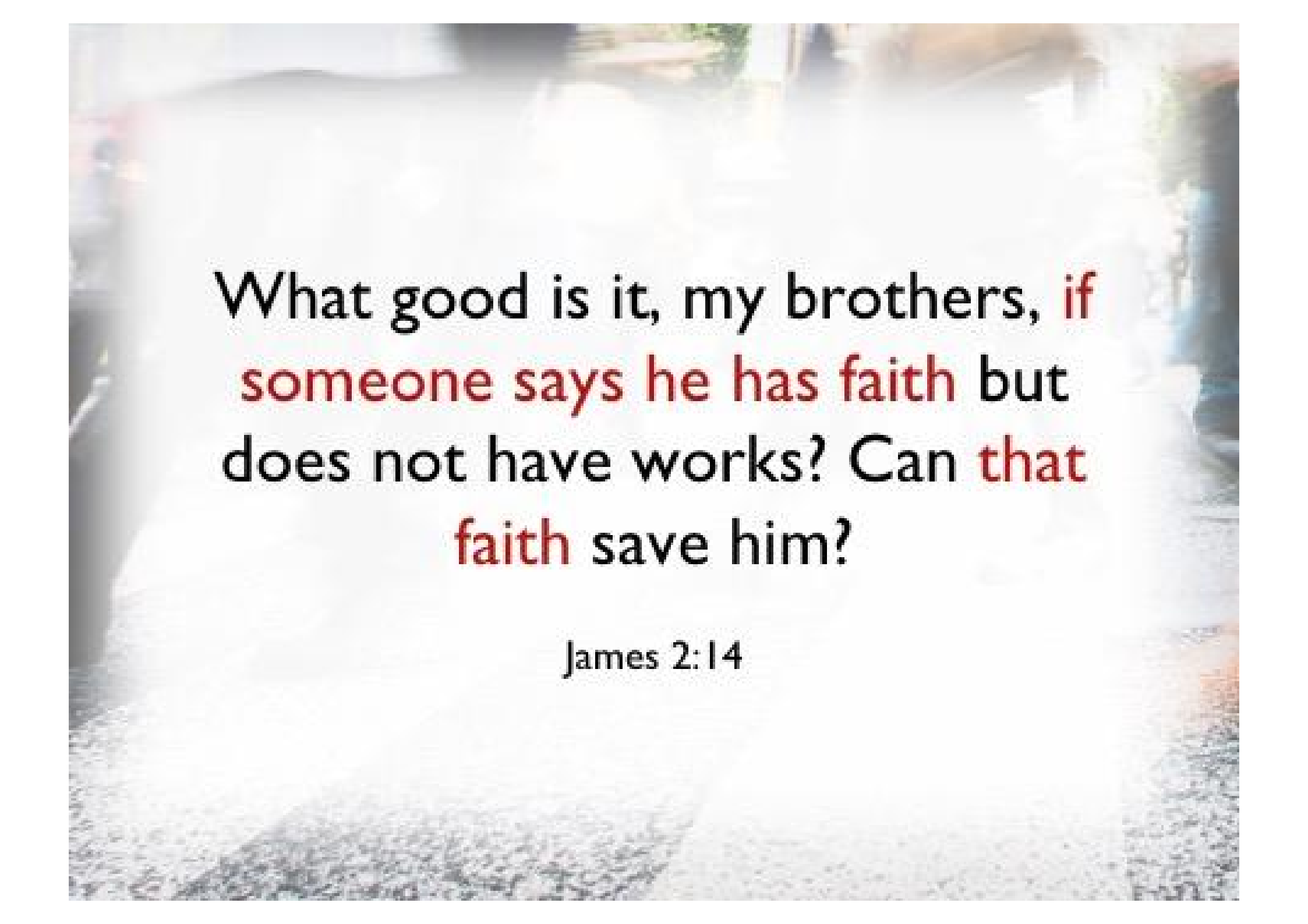
For we hold that
one is justified by faith
apart from works of the law.

Romans 3:28





Martin Luther



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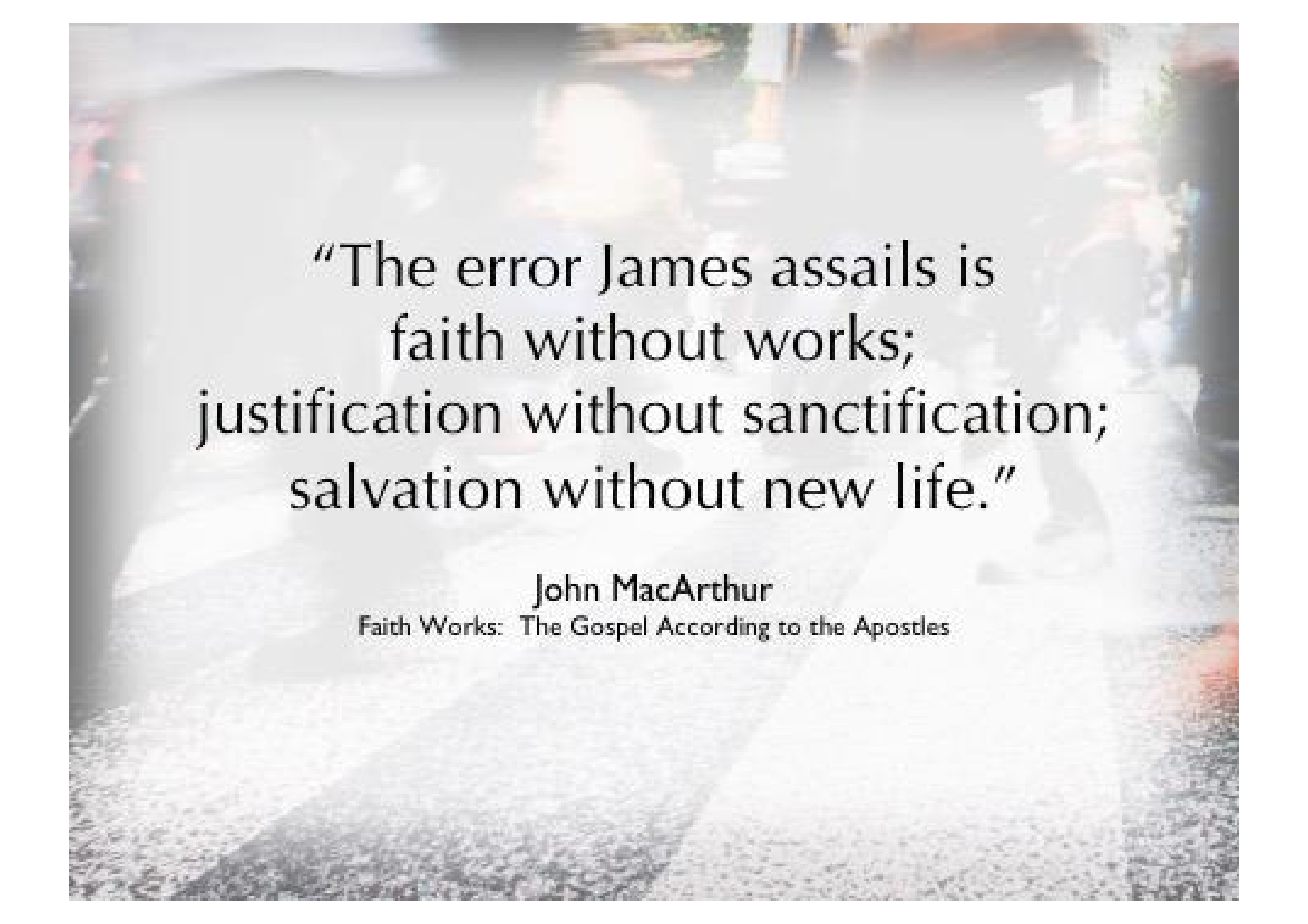
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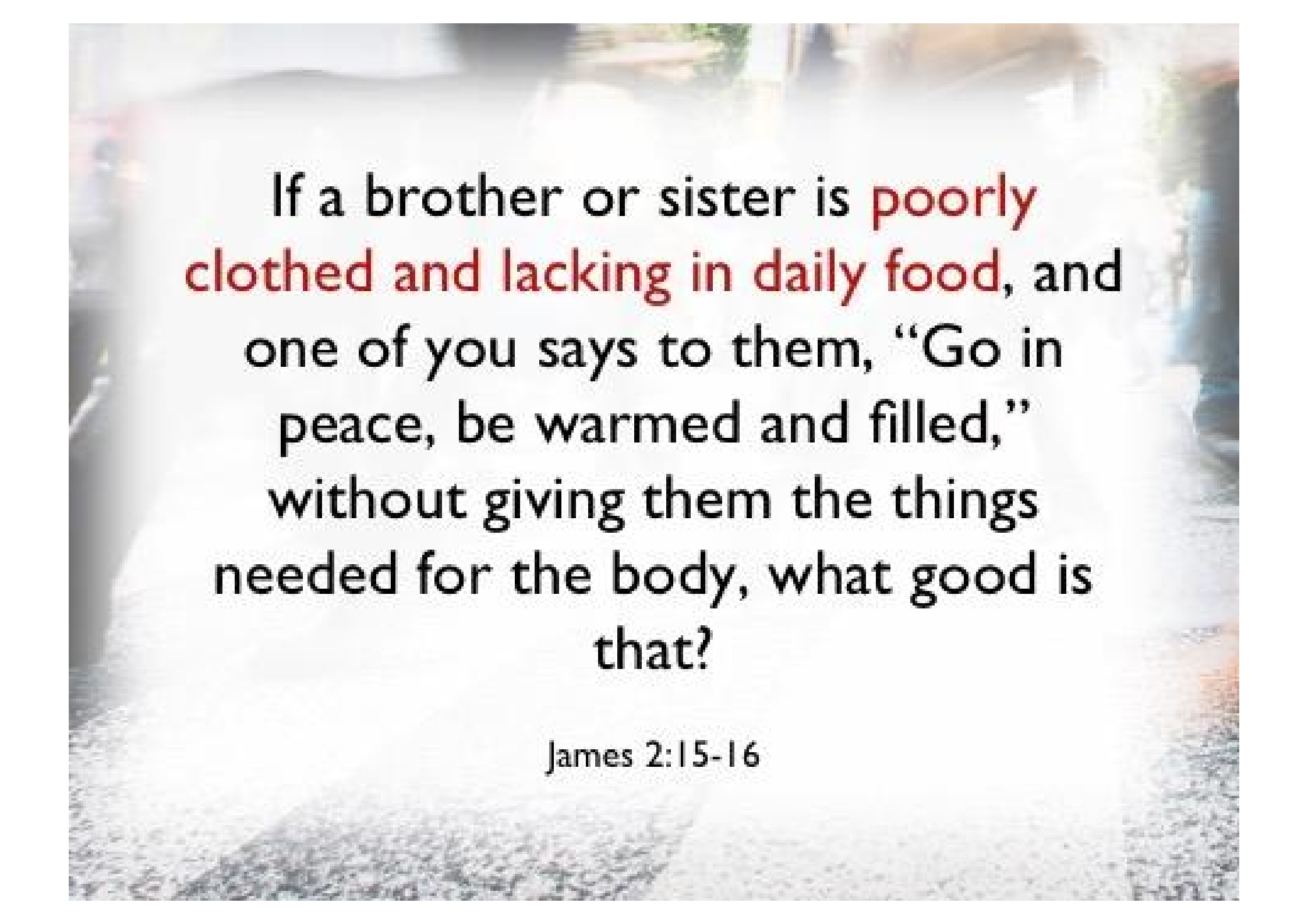
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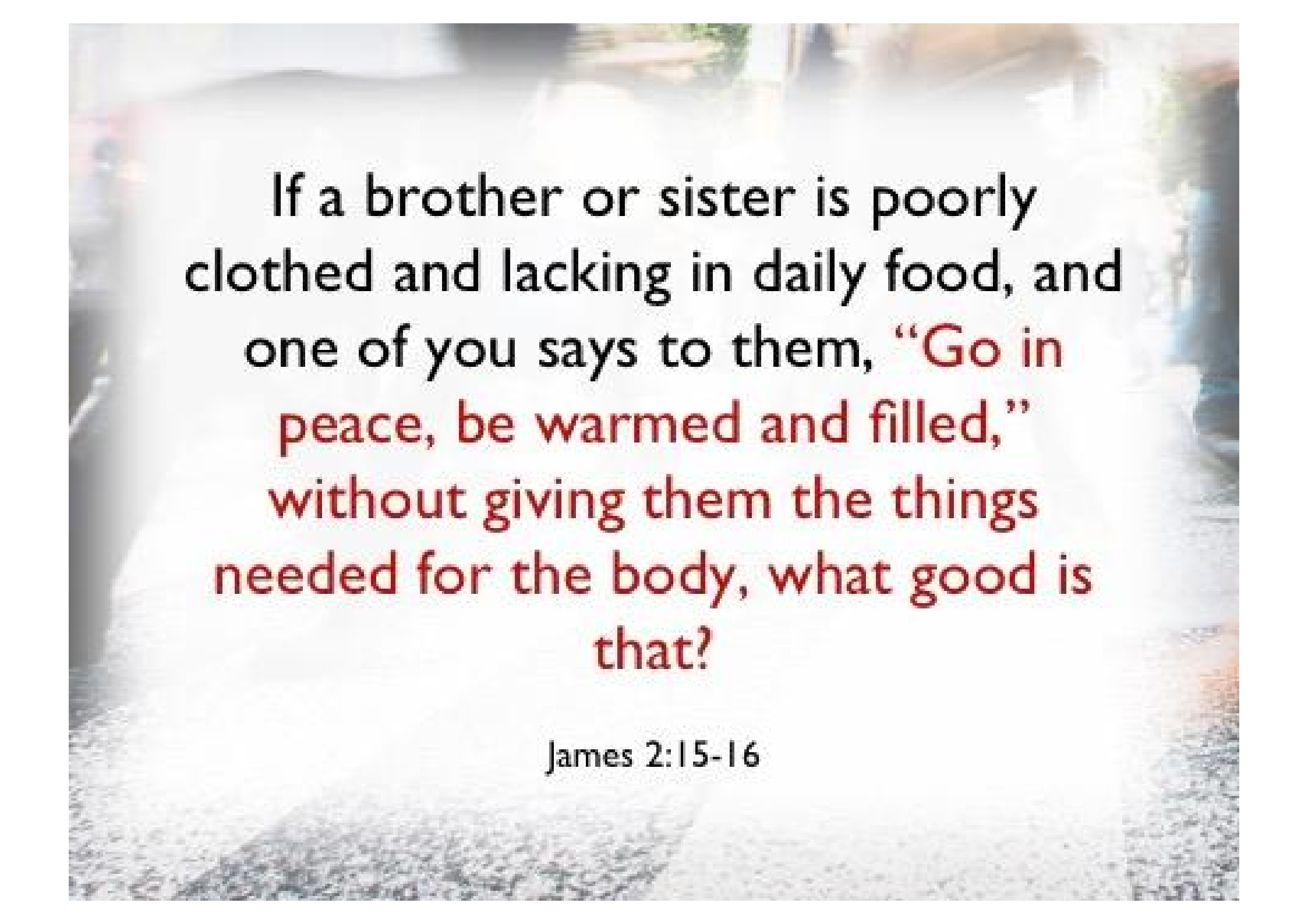
“The error James assails is
faith without works;
justification without sanctification;
salvation without new life.”

John MacArthur
Faith Works: The Gospel According to the Apostles



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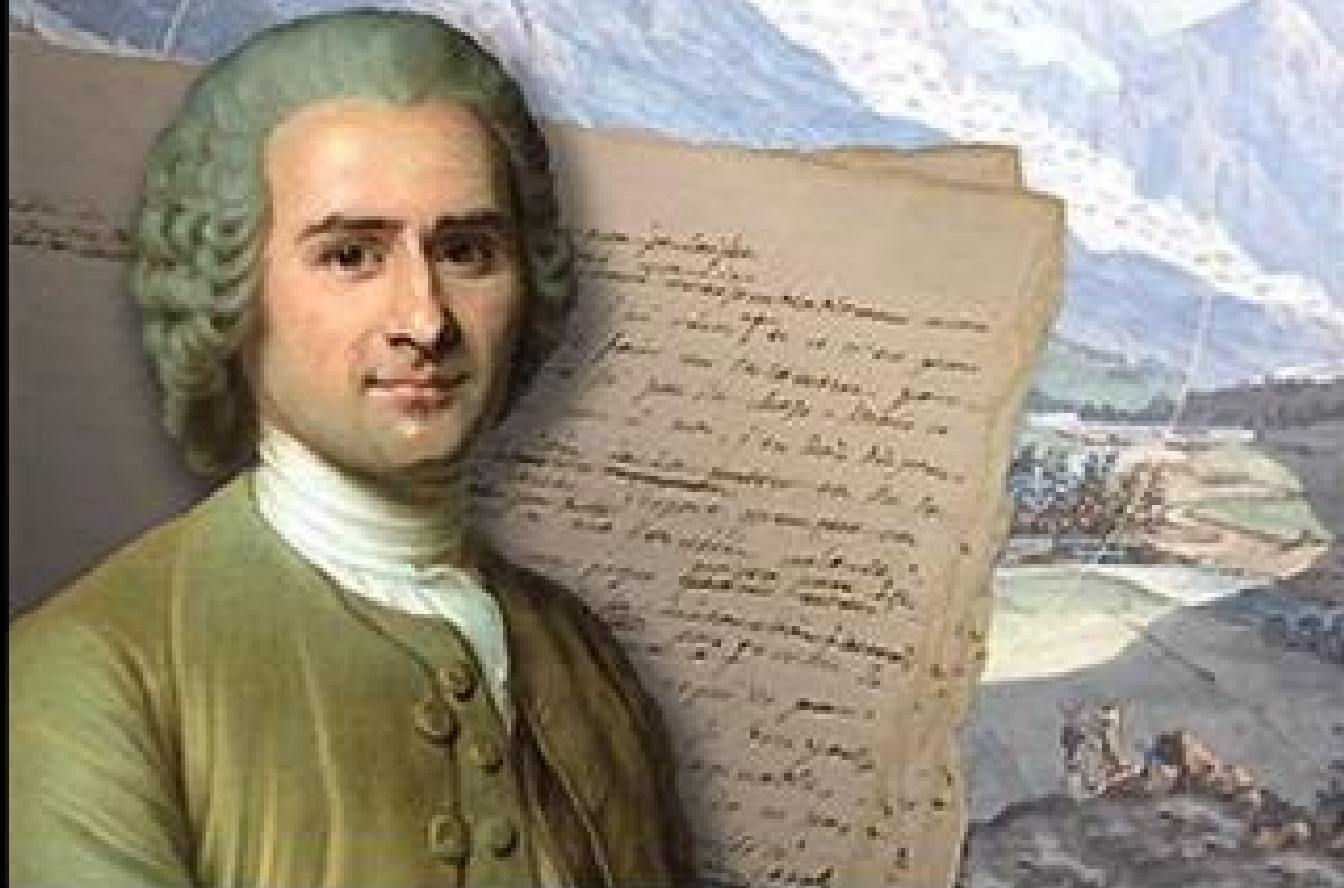
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So also **faith** by itself, if it does
not have works, is dead.

James 2:17

Jean-Jacques Rousseau

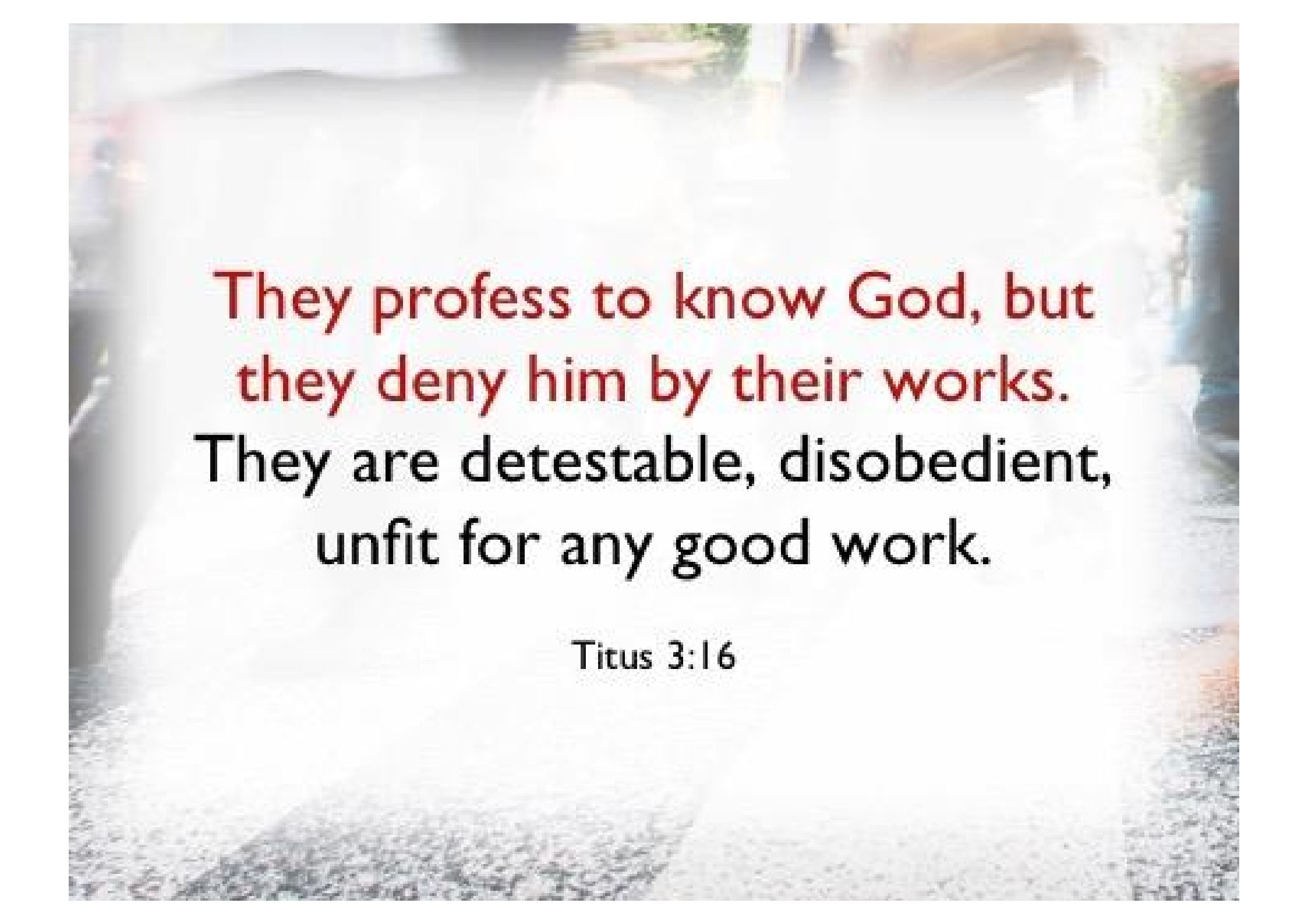




Examine yourselves, to see whether
you are in the faith. Test yourselves.

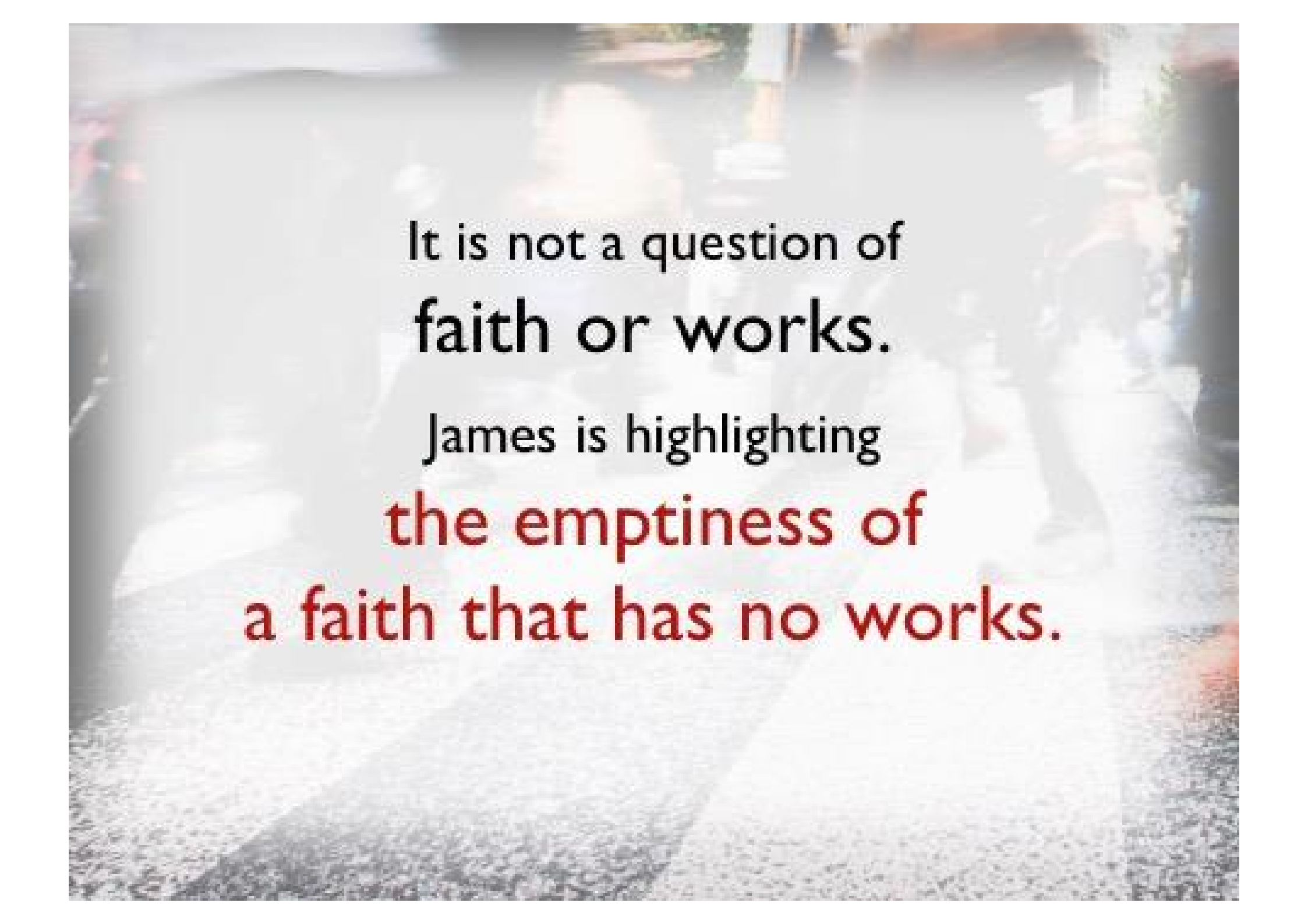
Or do you not realize this about
yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in
you? —unless indeed you fail to
meet the test!

2 Corinthians 13:5

The background of the slide is a blurred photograph of a person walking away from the camera on a paved path. The person is wearing a dark jacket and light-colored pants. The path is flanked by trees and foliage, and the overall scene is out of focus, creating a sense of movement and distance.

They profess to know God, but
they deny him by their works.
They are detestable, disobedient,
unfit for any good work.


Titus 3:16



It is not a question of
faith or works.


James is highlighting
**the emptiness of
a faith that has no works.**

Two Objections



But someone will say, “You have faith
and I have works.”

James 2:18



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Show me your faith apart from your
works, and **I will show you my faith by
my works**

James 2:18



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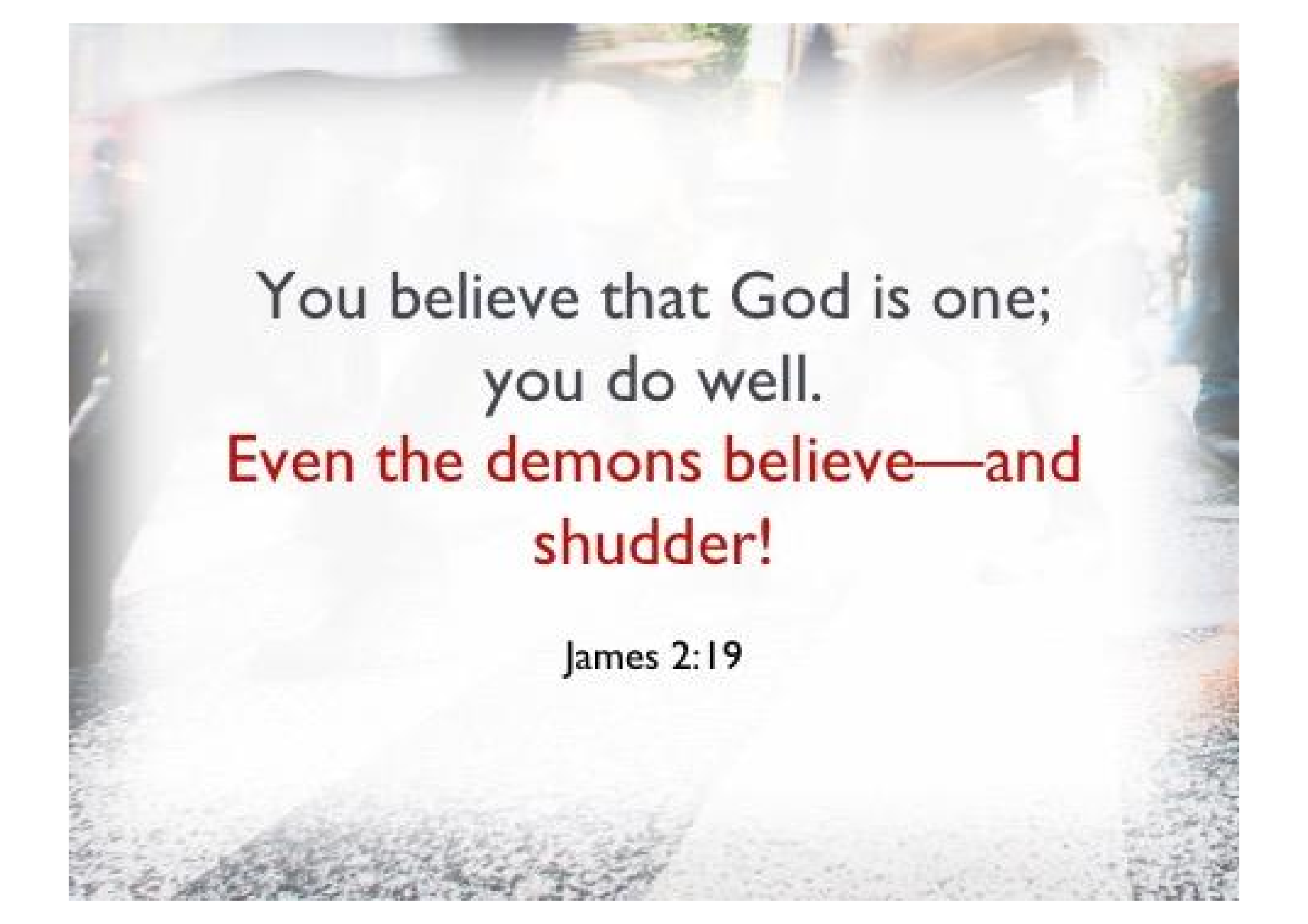
separated from works

in our Christian life.

A blurry background image showing a person in a white protective suit walking on a paved surface. The person is wearing a full-body white suit, including a hood and gloves, and is walking away from the camera. The background is out of focus, showing some greenery and a building.

You believe that God is one;
you do well.

James 2:19



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Even the demons believe—and
shudder!

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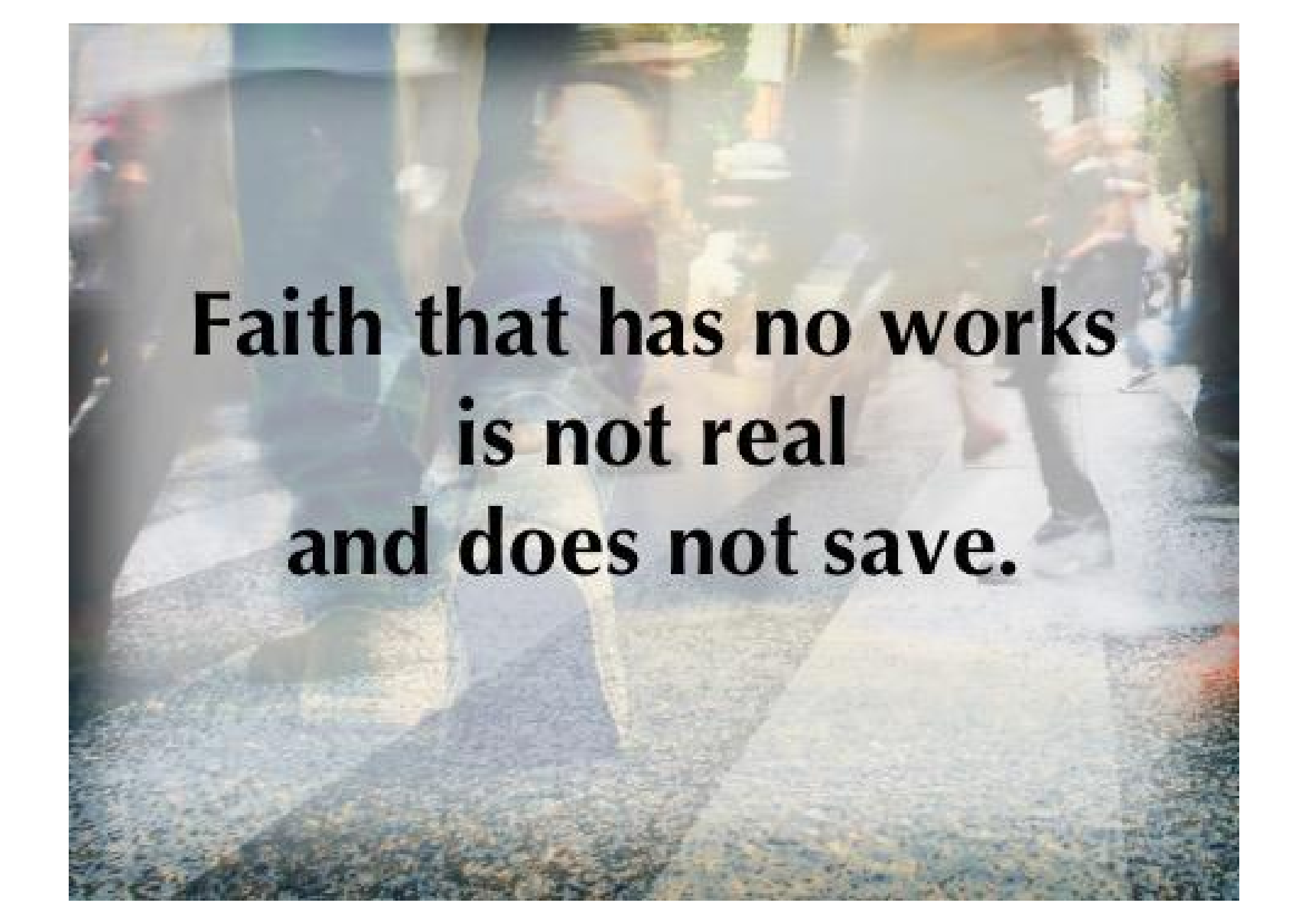
Faith

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confused with mere

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