

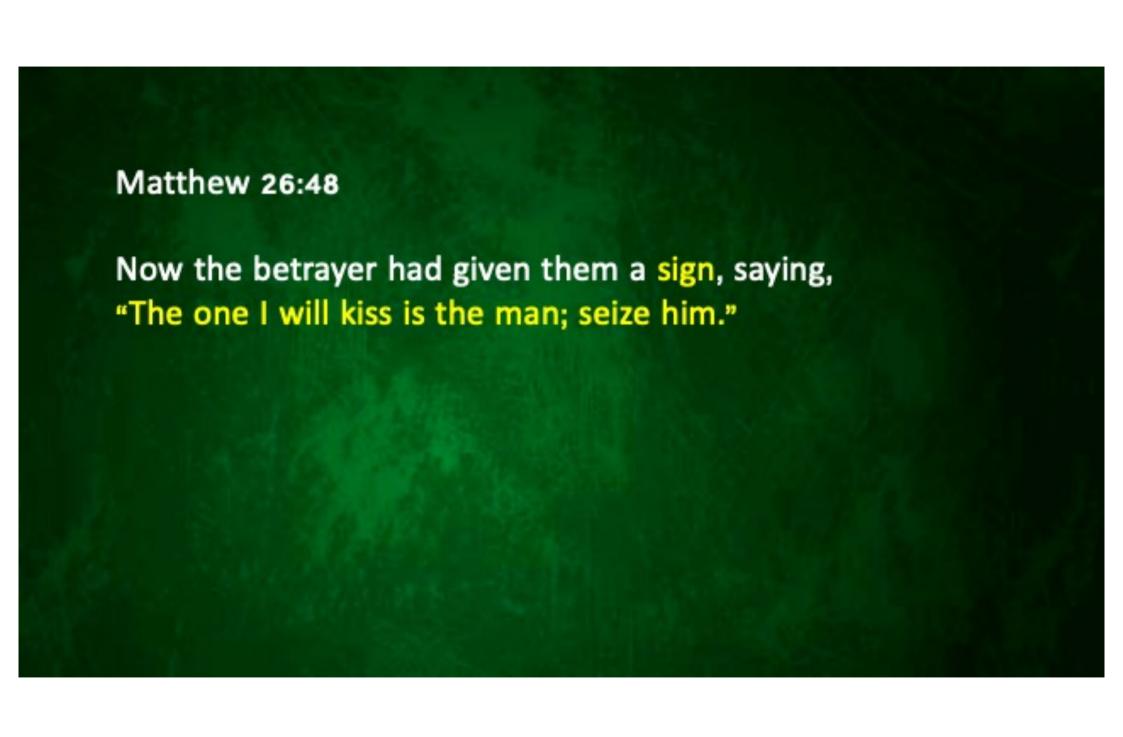
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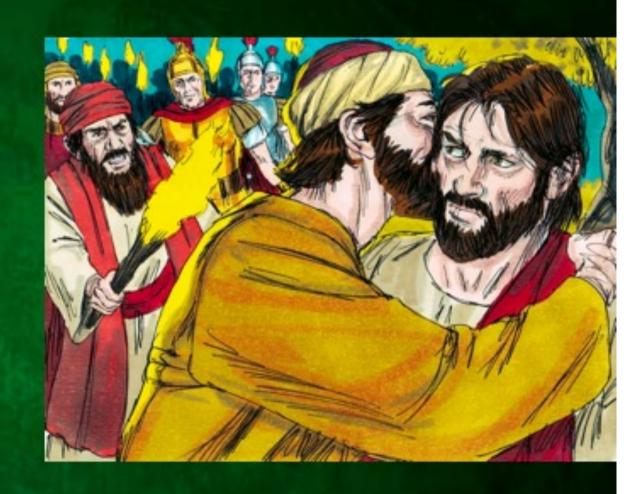
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John 18:3 "So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers..."

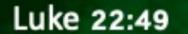


And he came up to Jesus at once and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" And he kissed him.



Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you came to do."

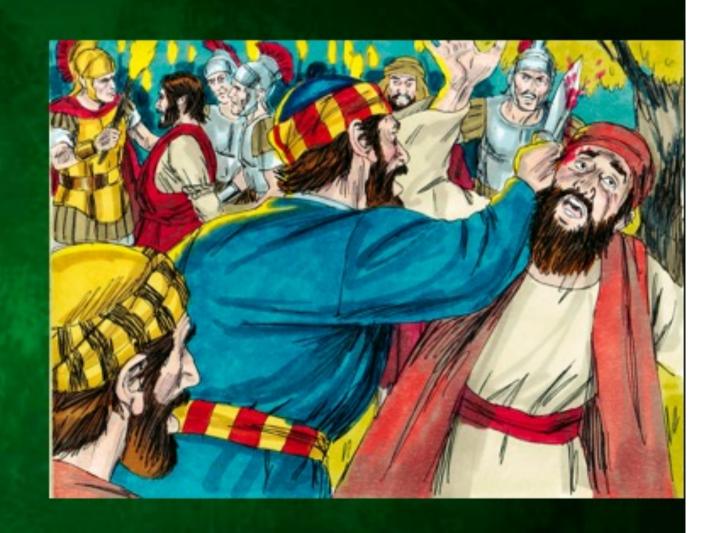
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And when those who were around him saw what would follow, they said, "Lord, shall we strike with the sword?"

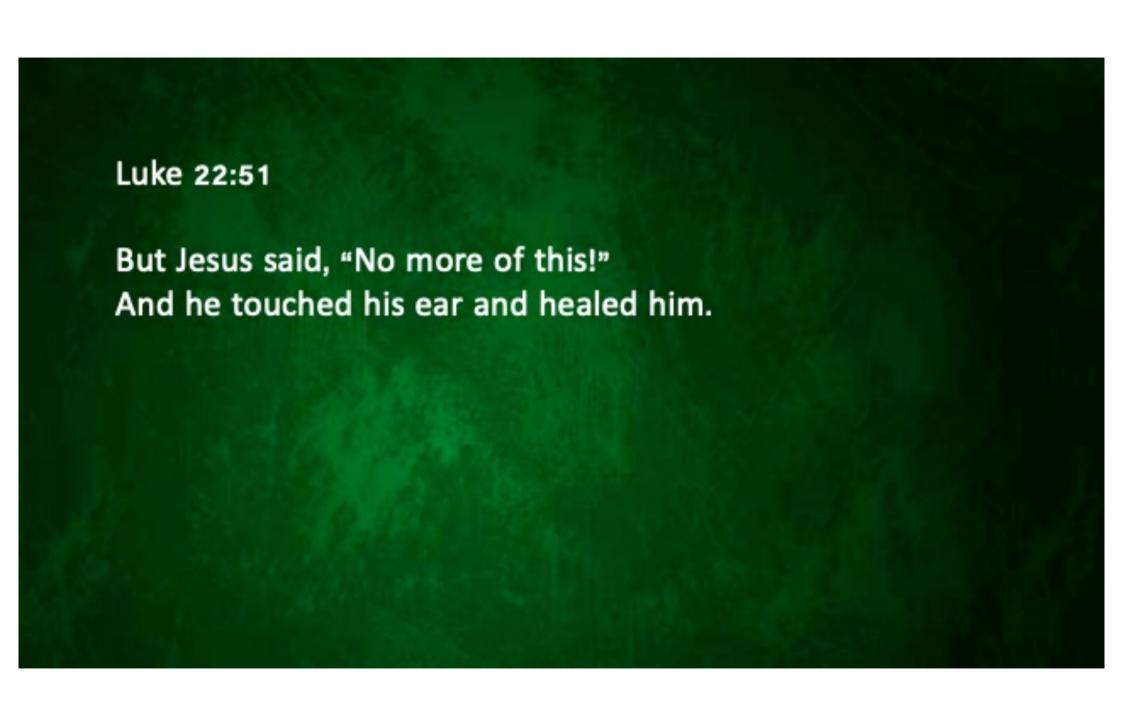
John 18:10

Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.)





Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place. For all who take the sword will perish by the sword.



Matthew 26:53-54

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At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not seize me.



But all this has taken place that the Scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled." Then all the disciples left him and fled.

Jesus' Apprehension

Mat 26:47-56

The Comprehension of Jesus' Apprehension

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1. Kingdom Providence

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John 18:11

So Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?"

John 18:9

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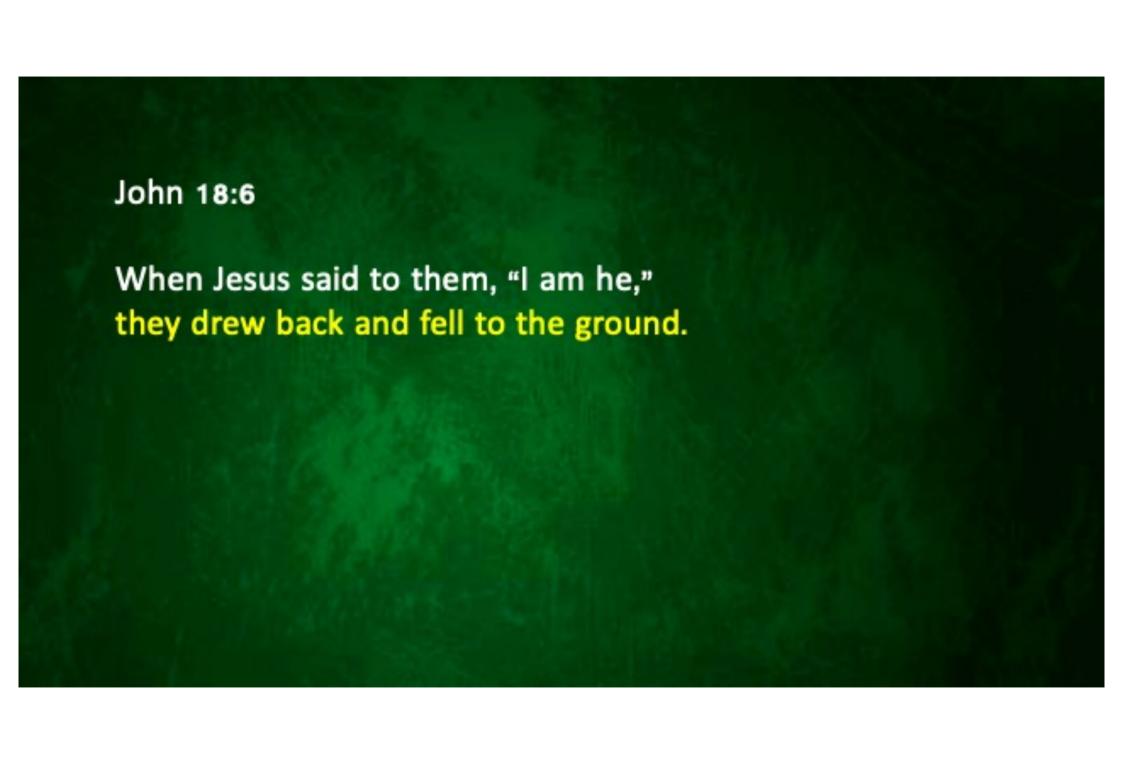
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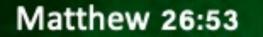
John 18:4

Then Jesus, knowing all that would happen to him, came forward and said to them, "Whom do you seek?"

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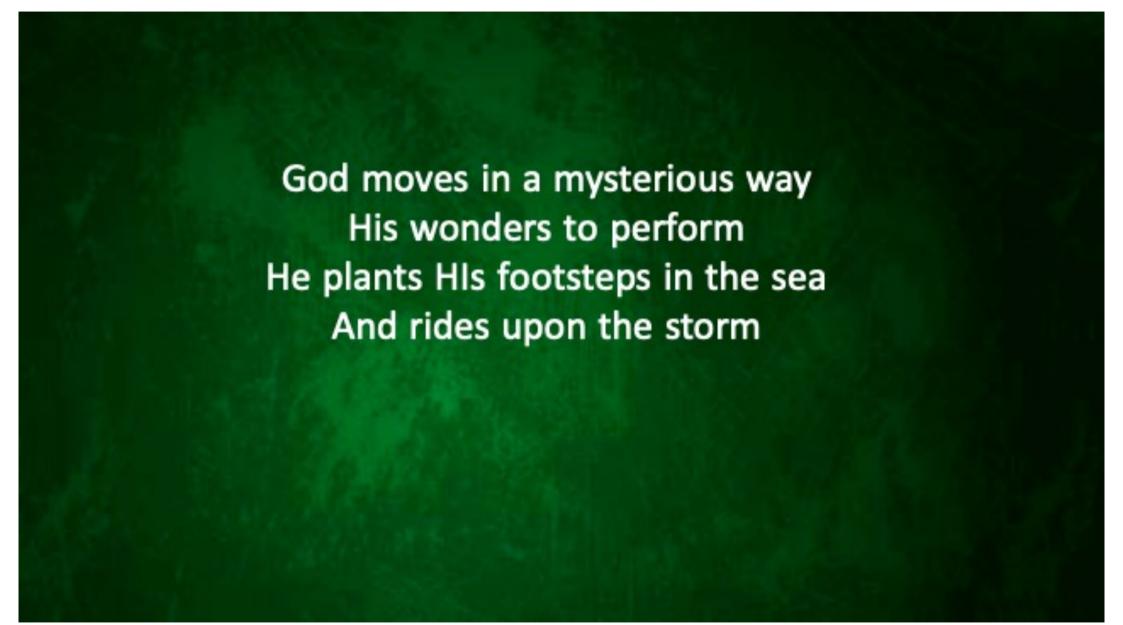


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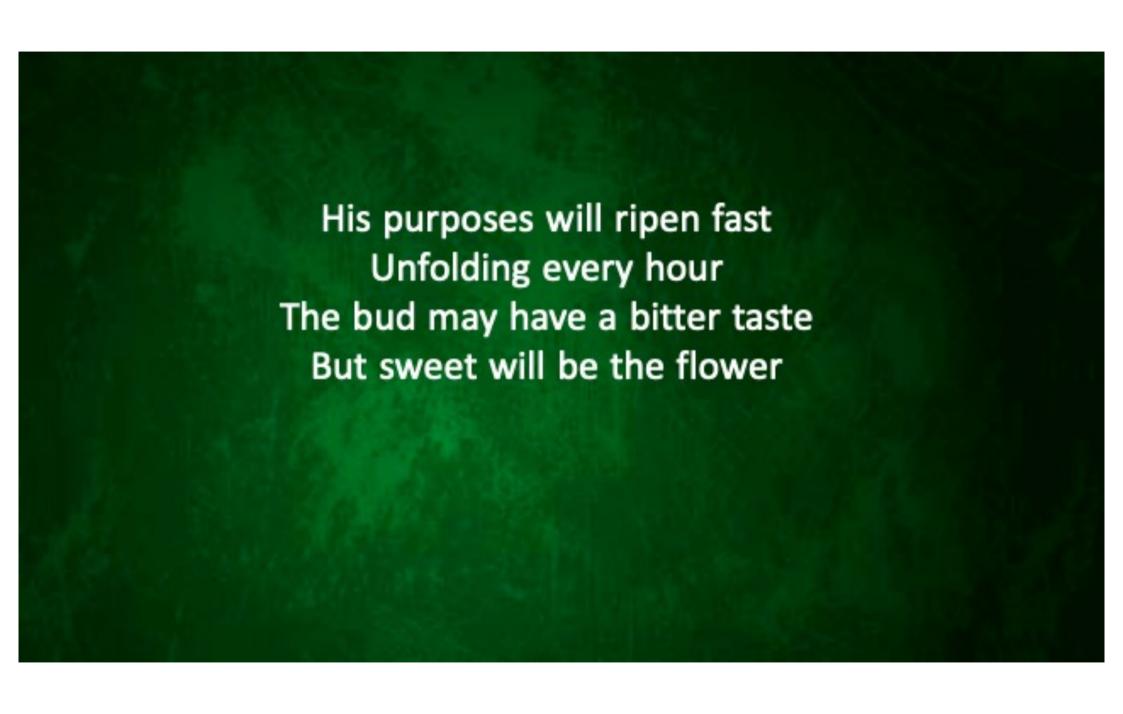
Isaiah 55:8-9

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.

For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.







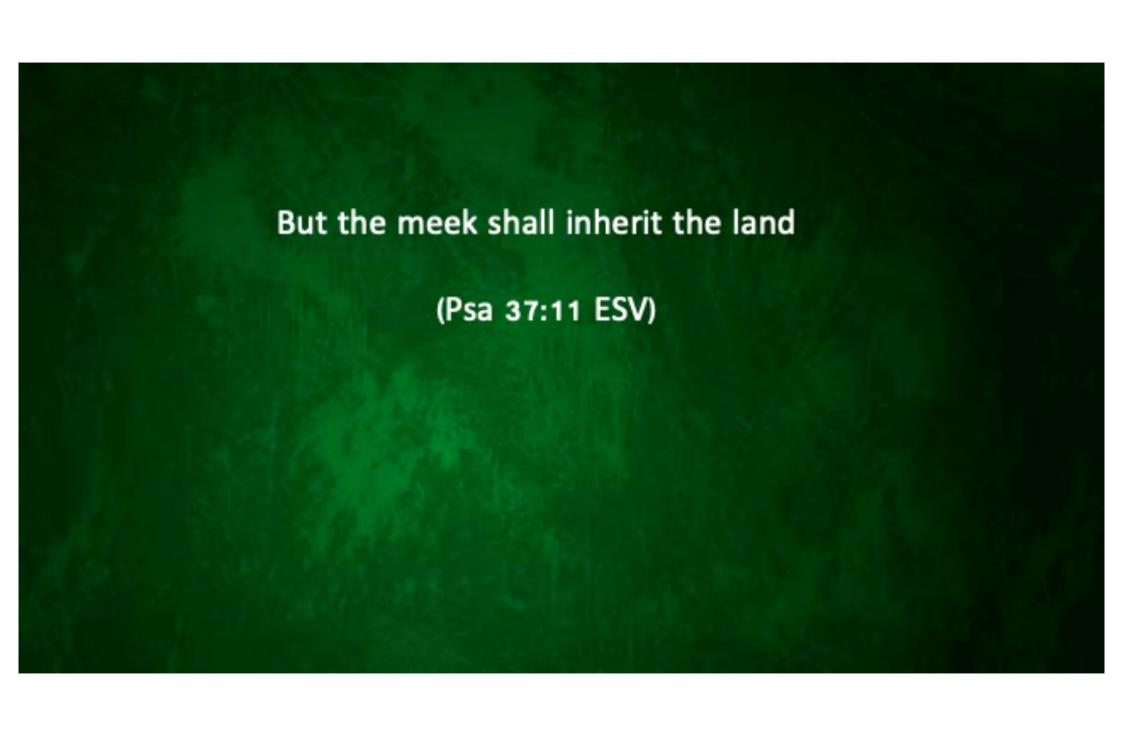
1. Kingdom Providence

Things are not always what they seem

2. Kingdom Power



Just because you can doesn't mean you should.



But the meek shall inherit the land

He frets not... is not envious... trusts in the LORD...
does good... delights in the LORD... commits his way to
the LORD... trusts in Him... is still before the LORD...
waits patiently for him...
refrains from anger... and forsakes wrath!



Meekness toward God is that disposition of spirit in which we accept His dealings with us as good.



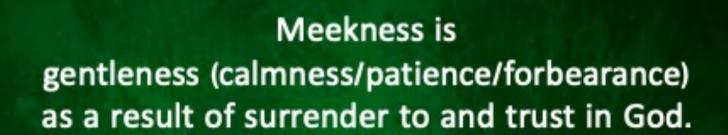
In the Old Testament, the meek are those wholly relying on God rather than their own strength to defend them against injustice.



Gentleness or meekness is the opposite to self-assertiveness and self-interest. It stems from trust in God's goodness and control over the situation. The gentle person is not occupied with self at all.







Meekness is not weakness

Whoever is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he who rules his spirit than he who takes a city

(Pro 16:32 ESV)

Meekness is not weakness, but meekness does not use its power for its own defense or selfish purposes. Meekness is controlled strength or power completely surrendered to God's control. It is an attitude of heart in which all energies are brought into the perfect control of the Holy Spirit.

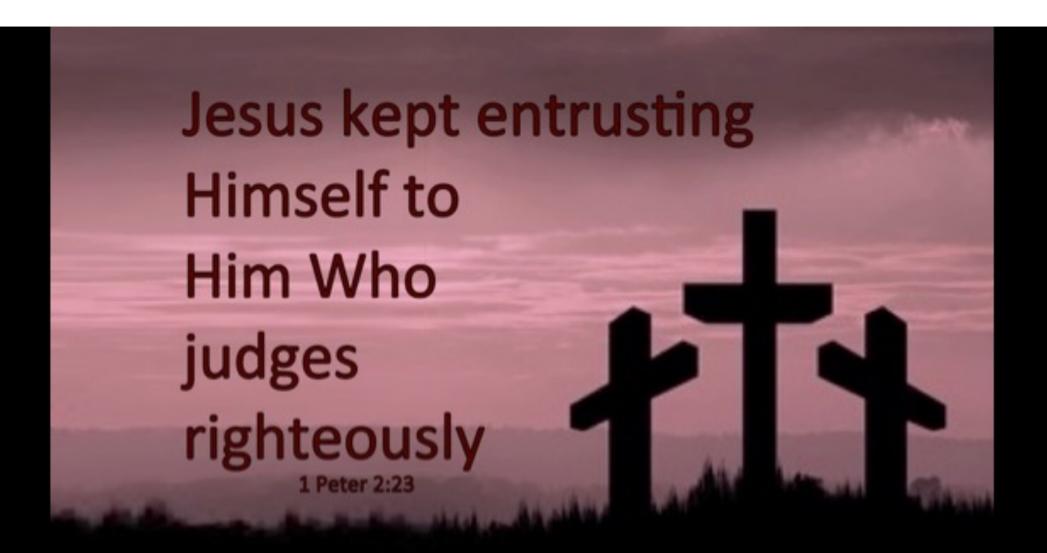


The meek man is not a human mouse afflicted with a sense of his own inferiority. Rather he may be in his moral life as bold as a lion and as strong as Samson; but he has stopped being fooled about himself. He has accepted God's estimate of his own life.



He knows he is as weak and helpless as God declared him to be, but paradoxically, he knows at the same time that he is in the sight of God of more importance than angels. In himself, nothing; in God, everything. That is his motto.





Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,

(Col 3:12 ESV)

with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

(Eph 4:1-3 ESV)

And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but kind to everyone, able to teach, patiently enduring evil, correcting his opponents with gentleness.

(2Ti 2:24,25 ESV)

to speak evil of no one, to avoid quarreling, to be gentle, and to show perfect courtesy toward all people.

(Tit 3:2 ESV)

let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God's sight is very precious.

(1Pet 3:4 ESV)

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control;

(Gal 5:22,23 ESV)

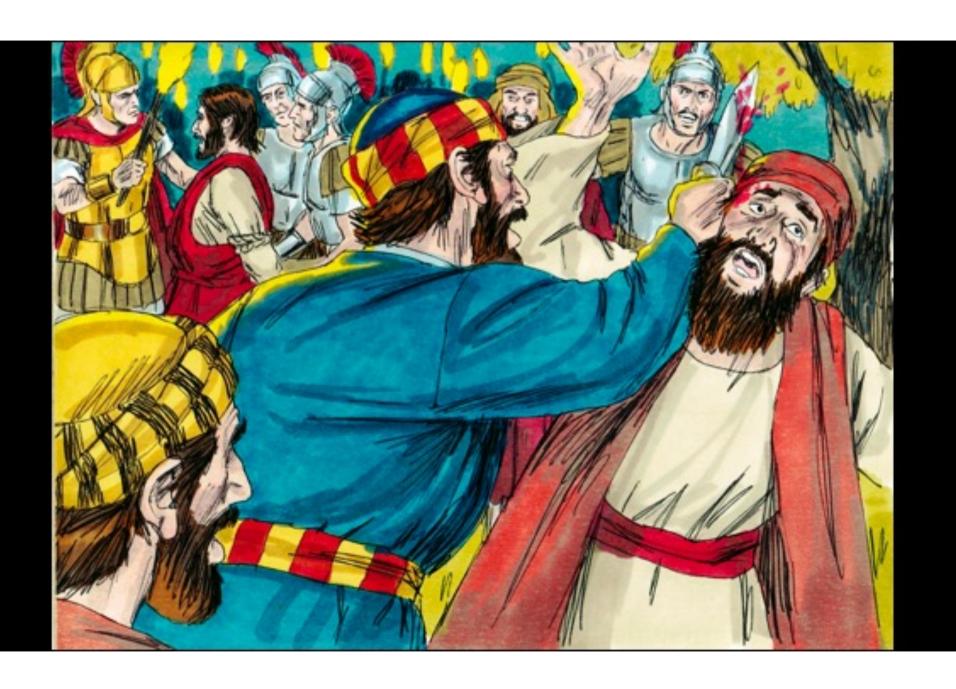


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3. Kingdom Principle

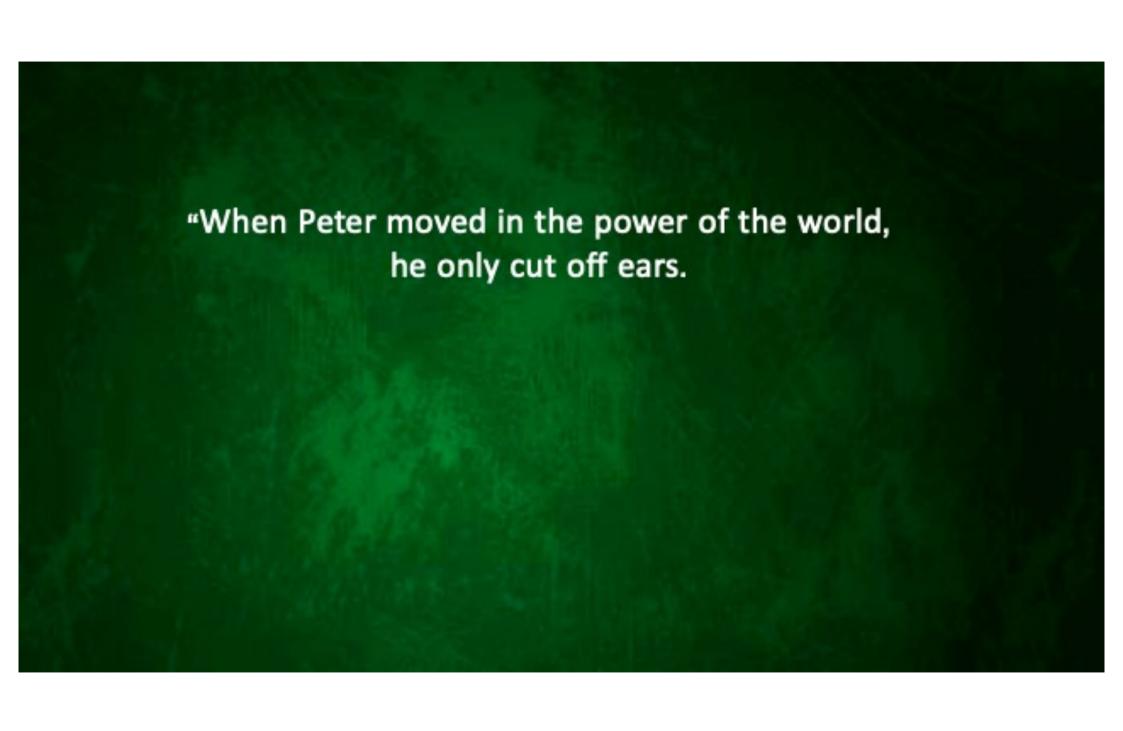
God's kingdom is not served by worldly weapons



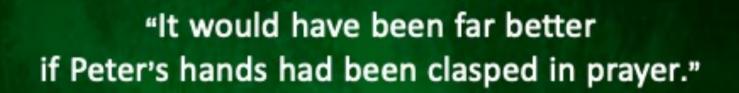


"Put your sword back into its place.

For all who take the sword will perish by the sword.



"When Peter moved in the power of the world, he only cut off ears. But when he was filled with the Spirit, using the Word of God, Peter pierced hearts."



Spurgeon

2 Corinthians 10:3-4

For though we walk in the flesh, we are not waging war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds.

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