



HABAKKUK

4 WEEK SERIES

11 SEP - 2 OCT

A misty, mountainous landscape with a valley in the foreground. The scene is hazy and atmospheric, with soft light filtering through the clouds. The mountains are layered, creating a sense of depth. The foreground shows a valley with some vegetation and possibly a small settlement or farmstead, though it's somewhat obscured by the mist. The overall color palette is muted, with soft greens, greys, and earthy tones.

REMAINING FAITHFUL
IN UNSETTLING TIMES

Habakkuk 1:1-5

The prophecy that Habakkuk the prophet received.

²How long, Lord, must I call for help,
but you do not listen?

Or cry out to you, "Violence!"
but you do not save?

³Why do you make me look at injustice?
Why do you tolerate wrongdoing?

Destruction and violence are before me;
there is strife, and conflict abounds.

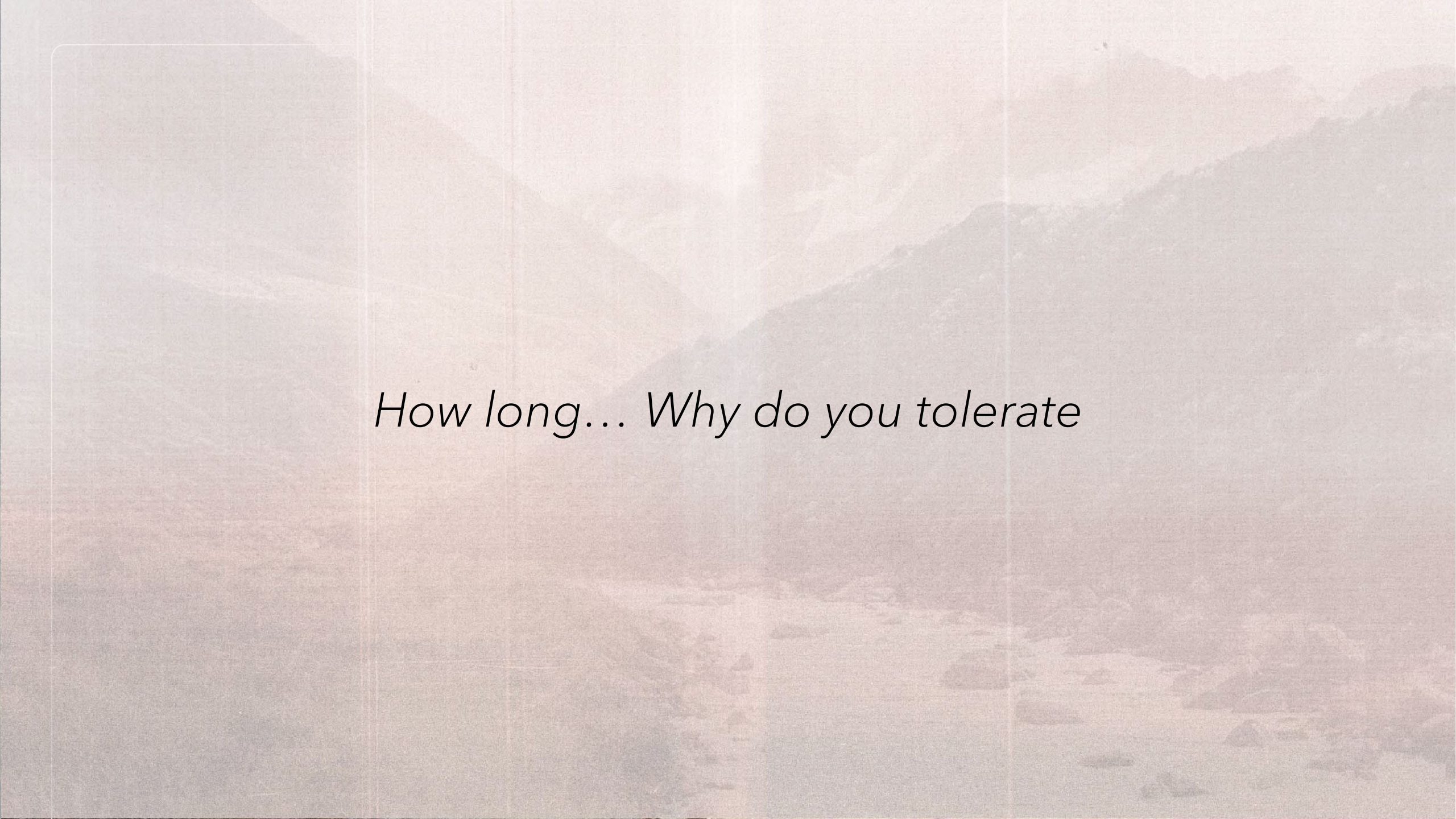
Habakkuk 1:1-5

⁴Therefore the law is paralyzed,
and justice never prevails.

The wicked hem in the righteous,
so that justice is perverted.

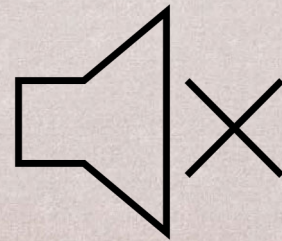
⁵"Look at the nations and watch—
and be utterly amazed.

For I am going to do something in your days
that you would not believe,
even if you were told."

A faded, sepia-toned photograph of a mountainous landscape. The scene shows a wide valley with a river or stream winding through it. The mountains in the background are hazy and layered, creating a sense of depth. The overall tone is soft and historical.

How long... Why do you tolerate

GOD
on mute



Deuteronomy 4:7, 27-28

⁷What other nation is so great as to have their gods near them the way the Lord our God is near us whenever we pray to him?

²⁷The Lord will scatter you among the peoples, and only a few of you will survive among the nations to which the Lord will drive you. ²⁸There you will worship man-made gods of wood and stone, which cannot see or hear or eat or smell.

Psalm 115:5-7

They have mouths, but cannot speak,
eyes, but cannot see.

⁶They have ears, but cannot hear,
noses, but cannot smell.

⁷They have hands, but cannot feel,
feet, but cannot walk,
nor can they utter a sound with their throats.

A misty, mountainous landscape with a valley in the foreground. The scene is hazy and atmospheric, with soft light filtering through the clouds. The mountains are layered, creating a sense of depth. The foreground shows a valley with some vegetation and a path or road winding through it.

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God is on mute



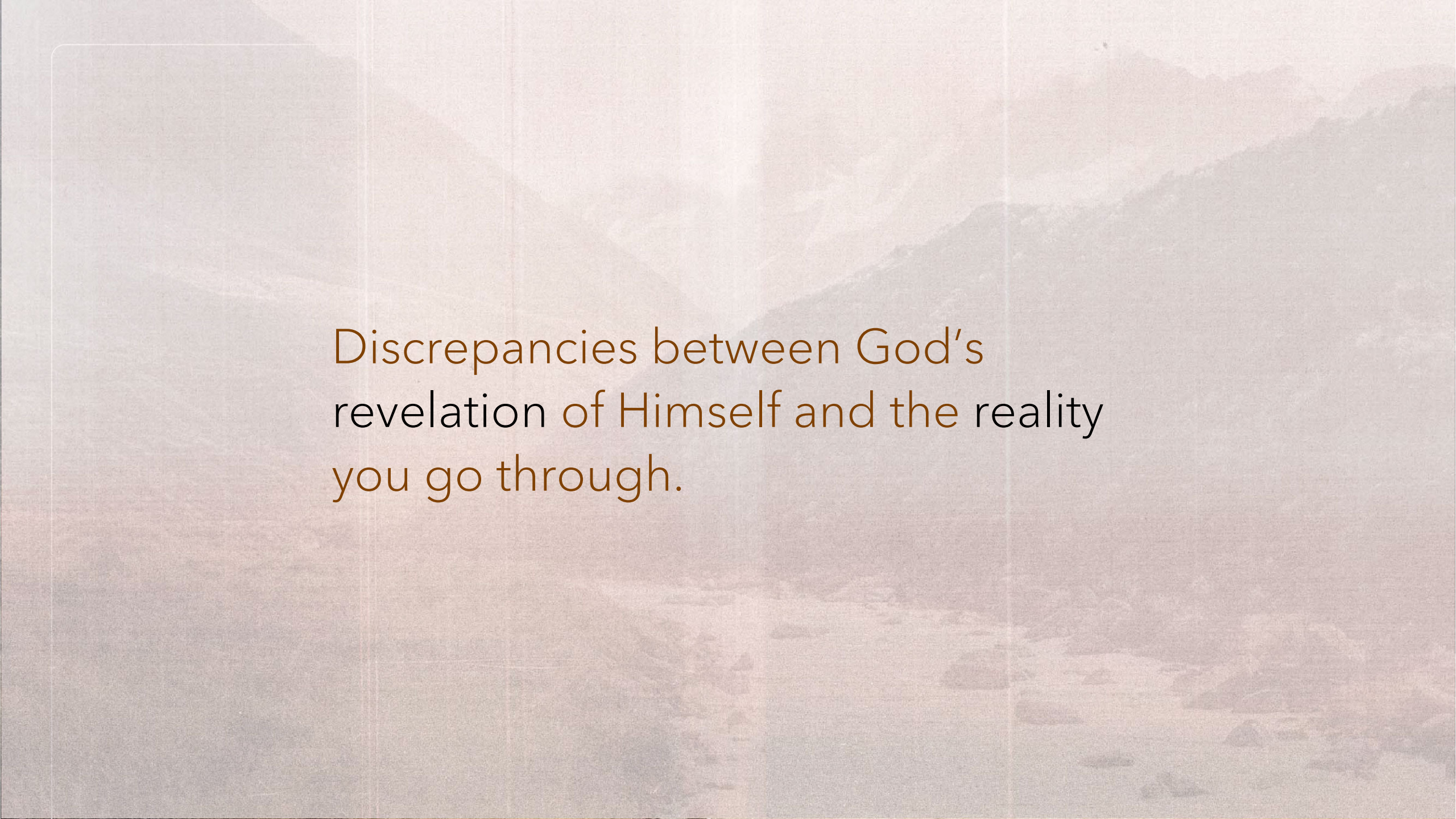
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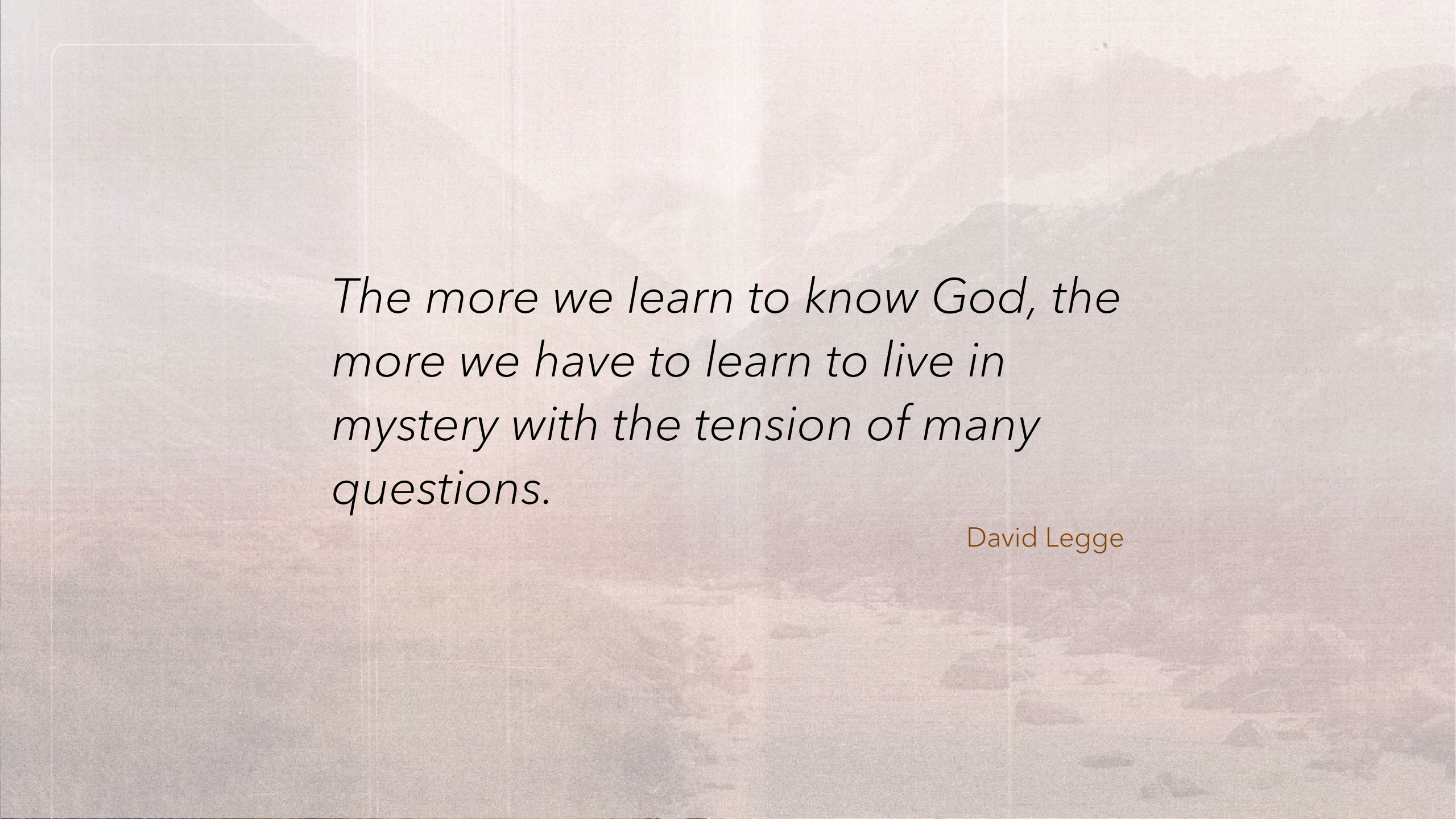
Do they sound like the God you
believe in?

A misty, mountainous landscape with a valley floor. The scene is hazy and atmospheric, with soft light filtering through the clouds. The mountains are layered, creating a sense of depth. The valley floor is visible in the foreground, showing some rocky terrain and sparse vegetation. The overall color palette is muted, with soft greys, blues, and earthy tones.

Discrepancies between God's
revelation of Himself and the reality
you go through.

A misty, mountainous landscape with a valley floor covered in rocks and sparse vegetation. The scene is hazy, with soft light filtering through the clouds. The mountains in the background are partially obscured by the mist, creating a sense of depth and atmosphere. The foreground shows a rocky valley floor with some small, dark patches of vegetation.

Be honest and emotionally realistic

A misty, mountainous landscape with a winding road. The scene is hazy and atmospheric, with soft light filtering through the clouds. The mountains are layered, creating a sense of depth. A road winds through the valley, disappearing into the distance. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

The more we learn to know God, the more we have to learn to live in mystery with the tension of many questions.

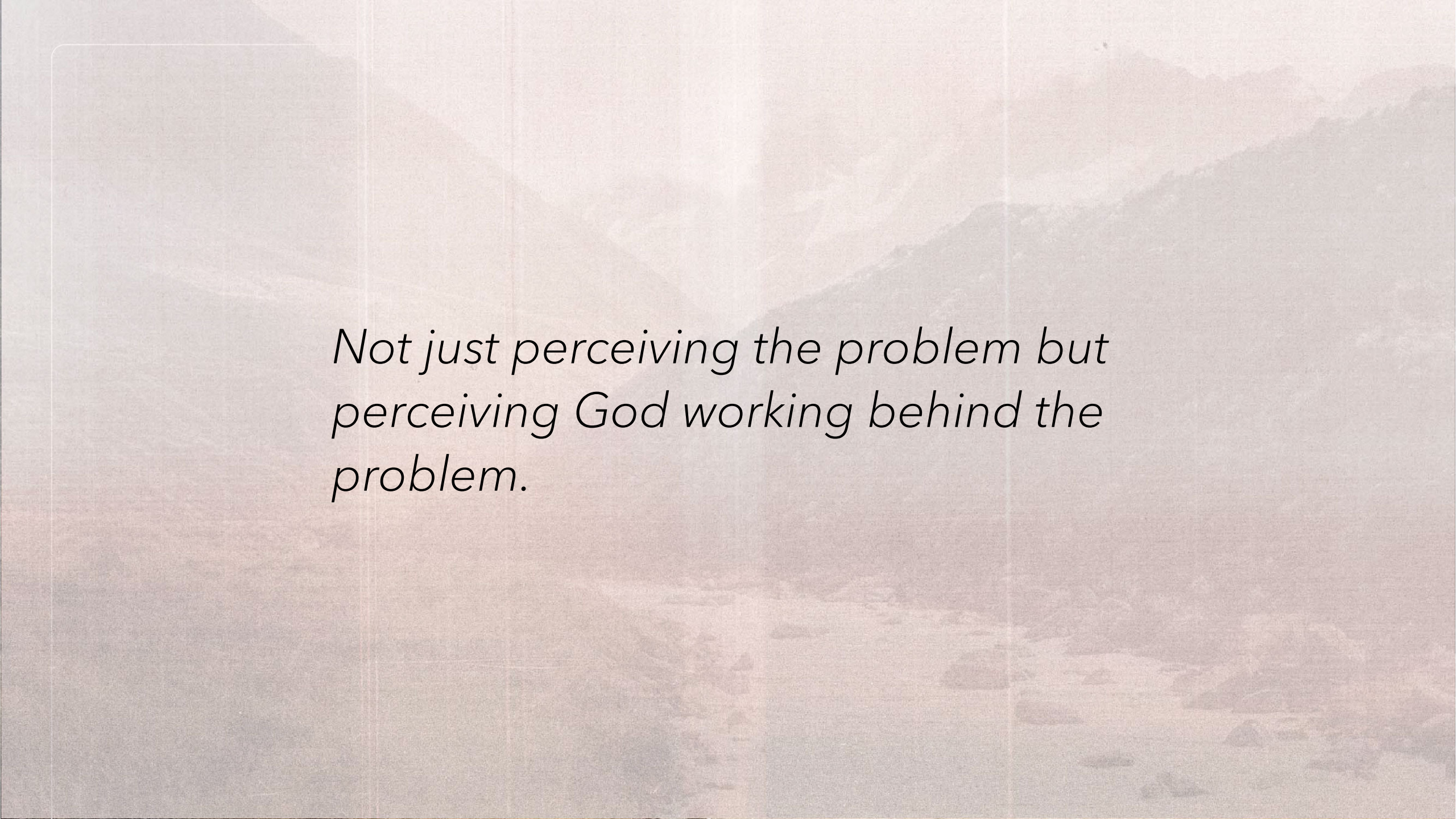
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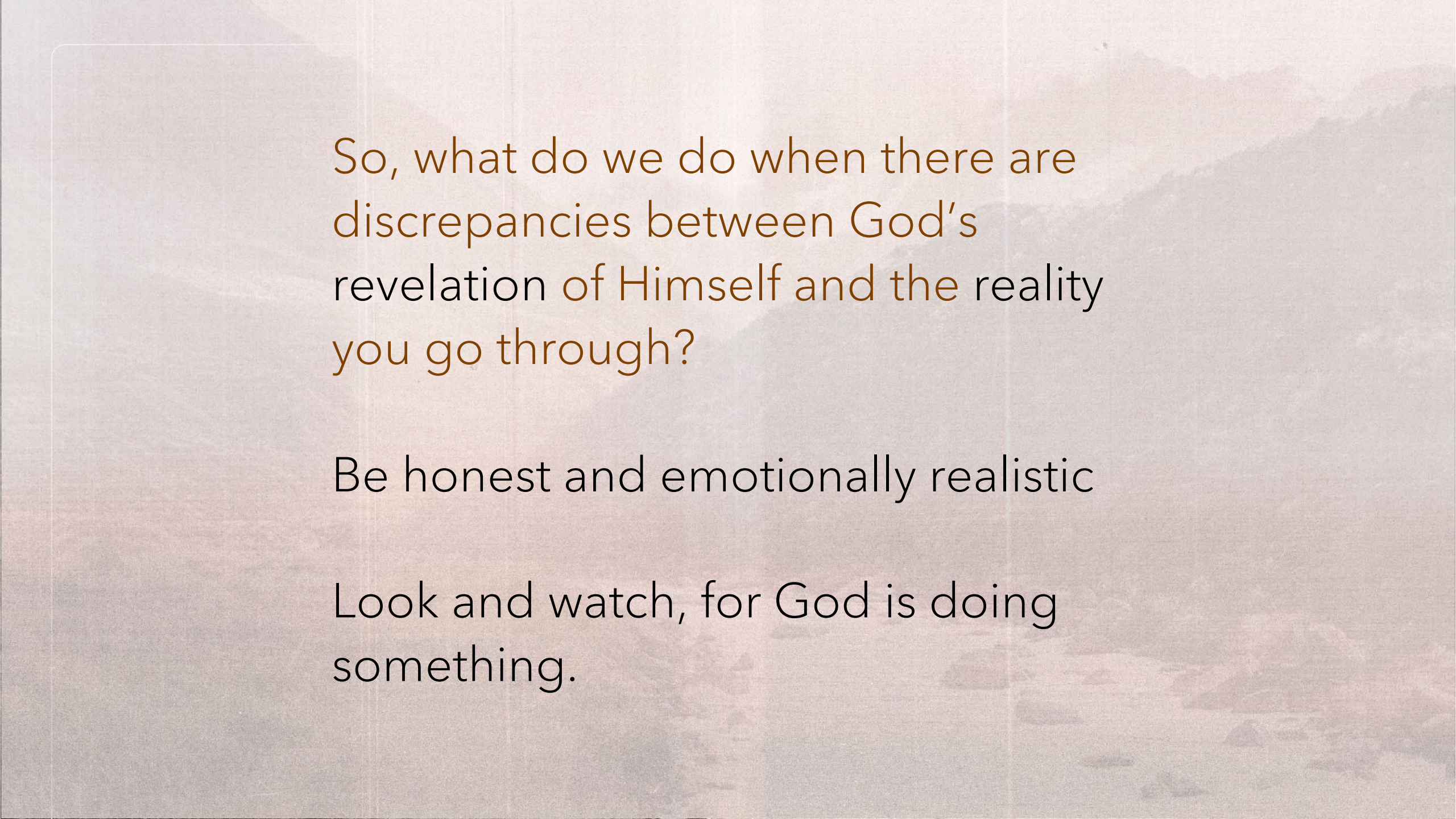
Look and watch

John 5:17

In his defense Jesus said to them, "My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I too am working."

A soft, misty landscape featuring rolling hills and mountains. The foreground shows a valley floor with some sparse vegetation and a path. The overall atmosphere is serene and ethereal, with a light, hazy tone.

*Not just perceiving the problem but
perceiving God working behind the
problem.*

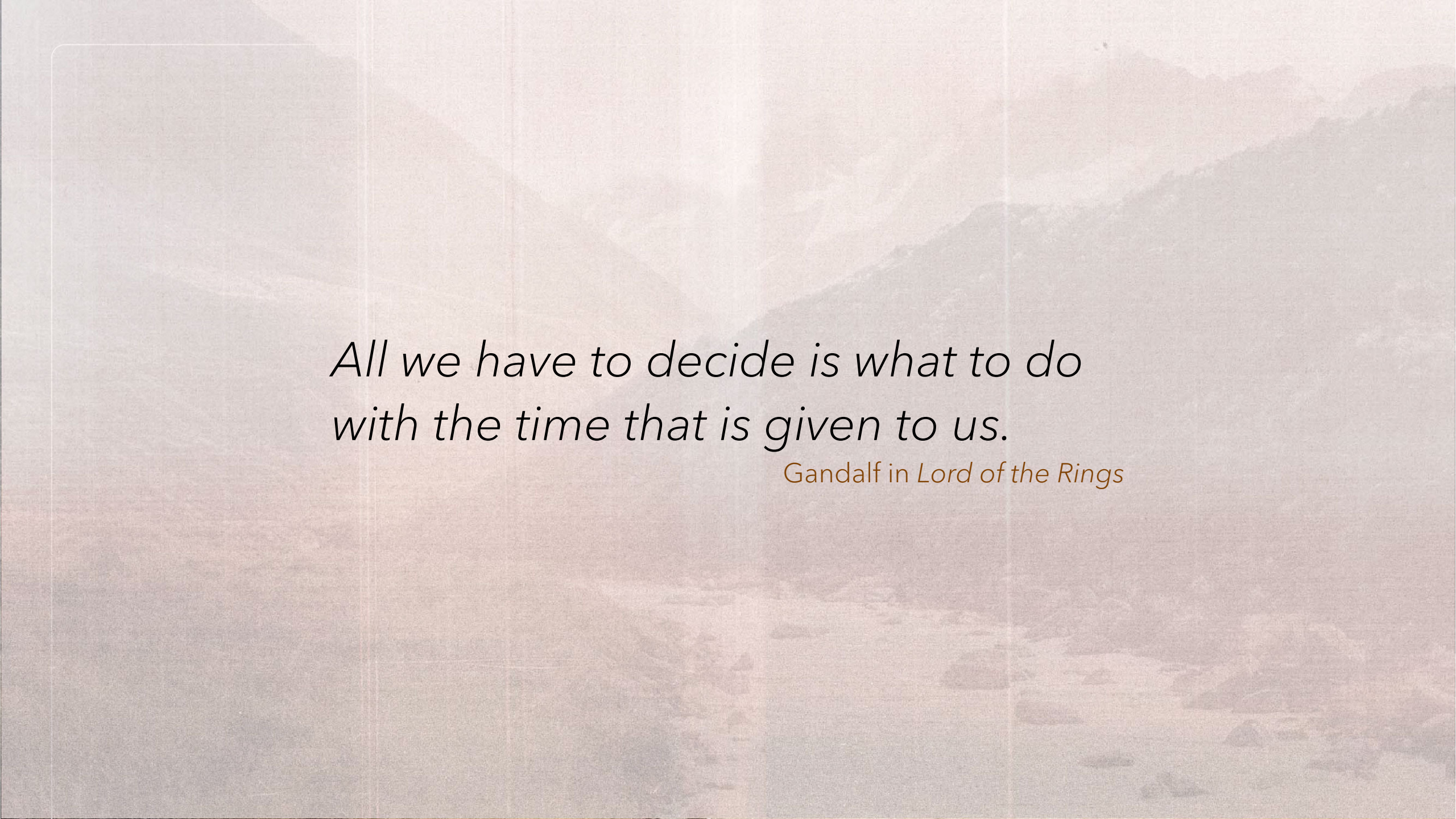


So, what do we do when there are discrepancies between God's revelation of Himself and the reality you go through?

Be honest and emotionally realistic

Look and watch, for God is doing something.





*All we have to decide is what to do
with the time that is given to us.*

Gandalf in Lord of the Rings

*God is still on the throne,
And he will remember his own;
Though trials may press us and
burdens distress us,
He never will leave us alone;
God is still on the throne,
And he will remember his own.
And his promise is true, he will not
forget you.
God is still on the throne.*

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