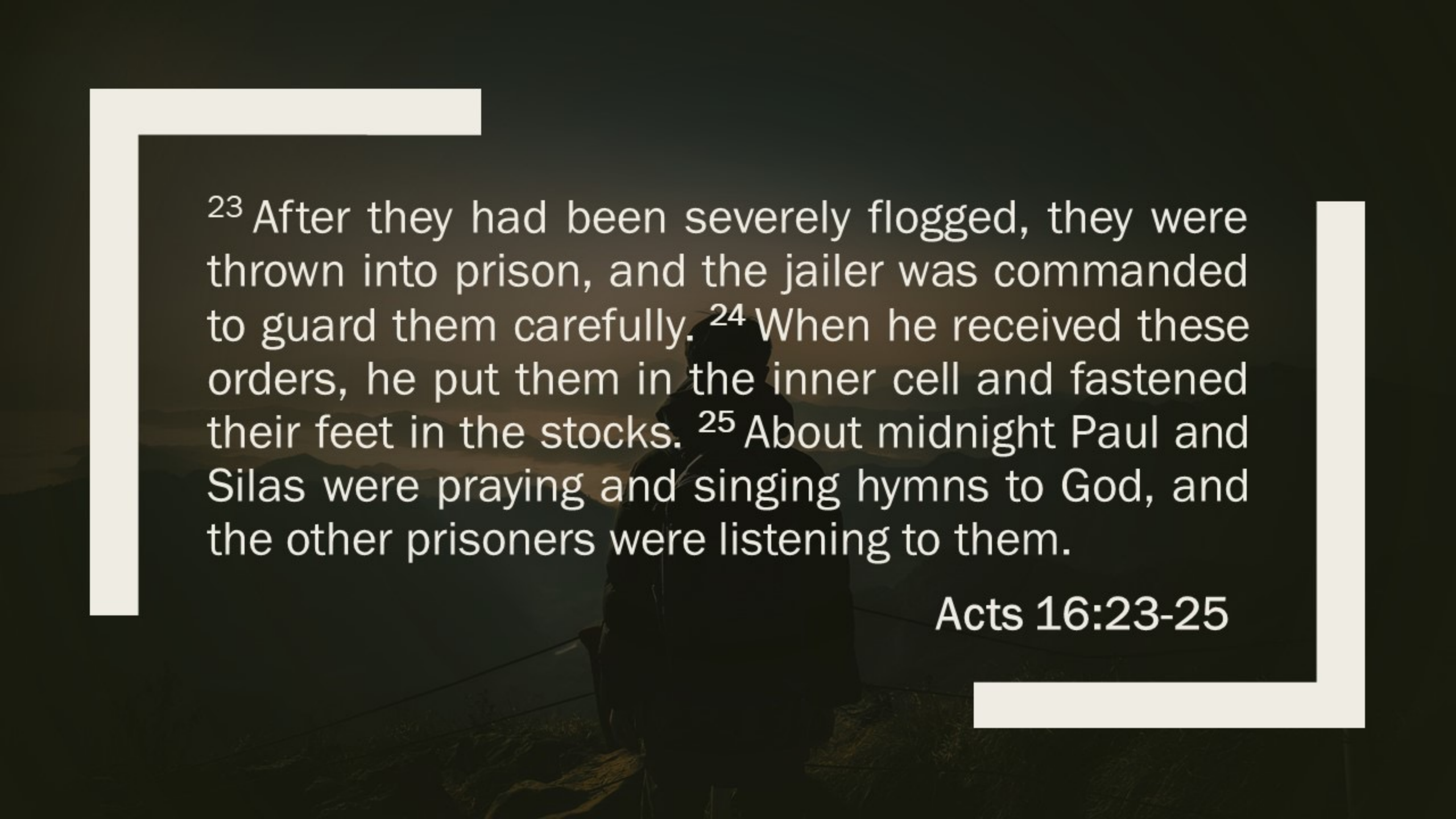
A person in silhouette stands on a balcony or walkway, looking out over a vast mountain range under a soft, hazy sky. The scene is framed by a white L-shaped border in the top-left and bottom-right corners.

*keys to your*

# BREAKTHROUGH

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<sup>23</sup> After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. <sup>24</sup> When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. <sup>25</sup> About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them.

**Acts 16:23-25**

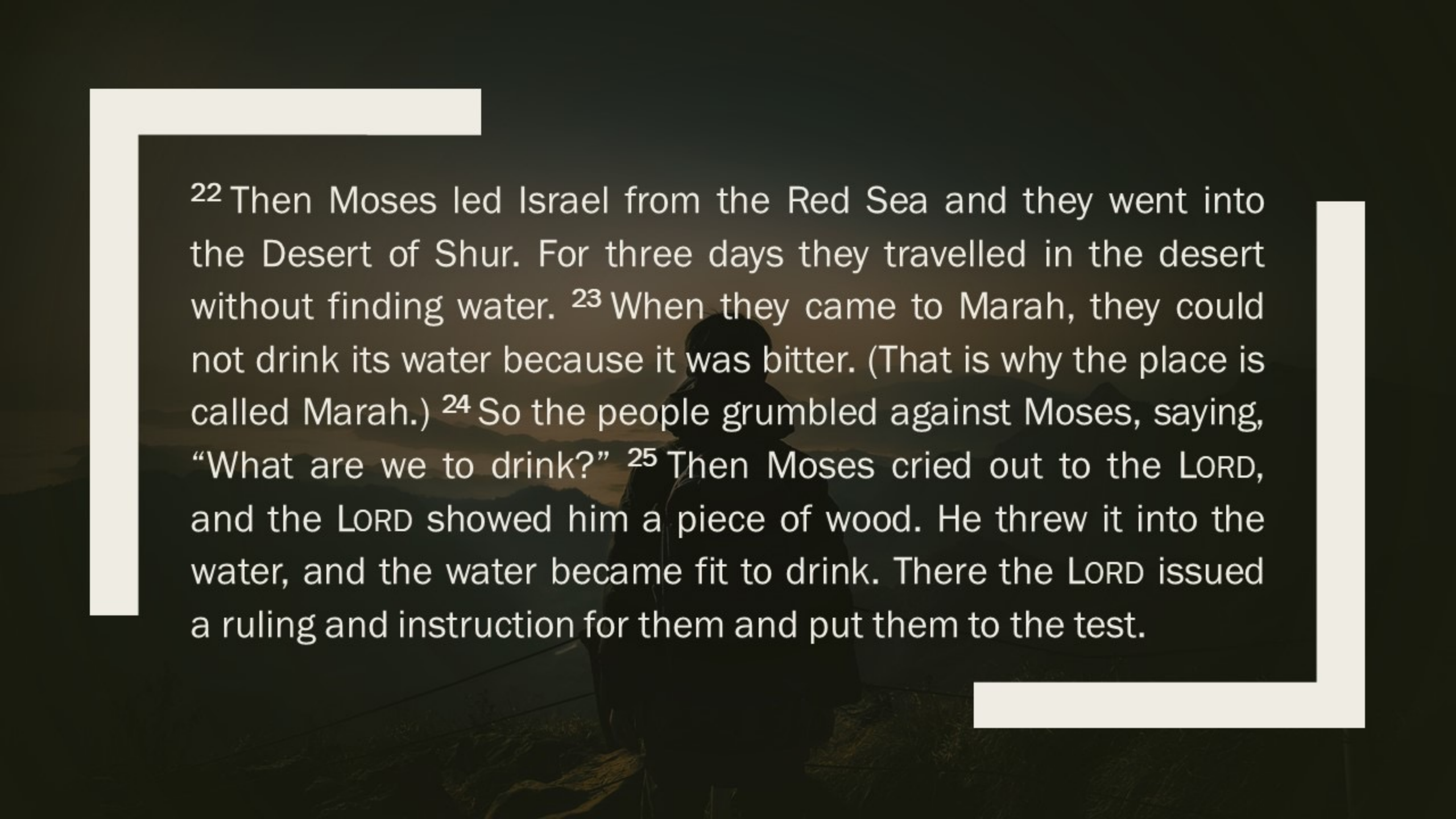
A silhouette of a person standing on a mountain peak, looking out over a vast landscape at sunset or sunrise. The sky is a mix of dark and light tones, and the mountains in the distance are partially obscured by a low sun. The person is wearing a jacket and has their back to the camera. The overall mood is contemplative and serene.

The power of P.R.A.I.S.E ?

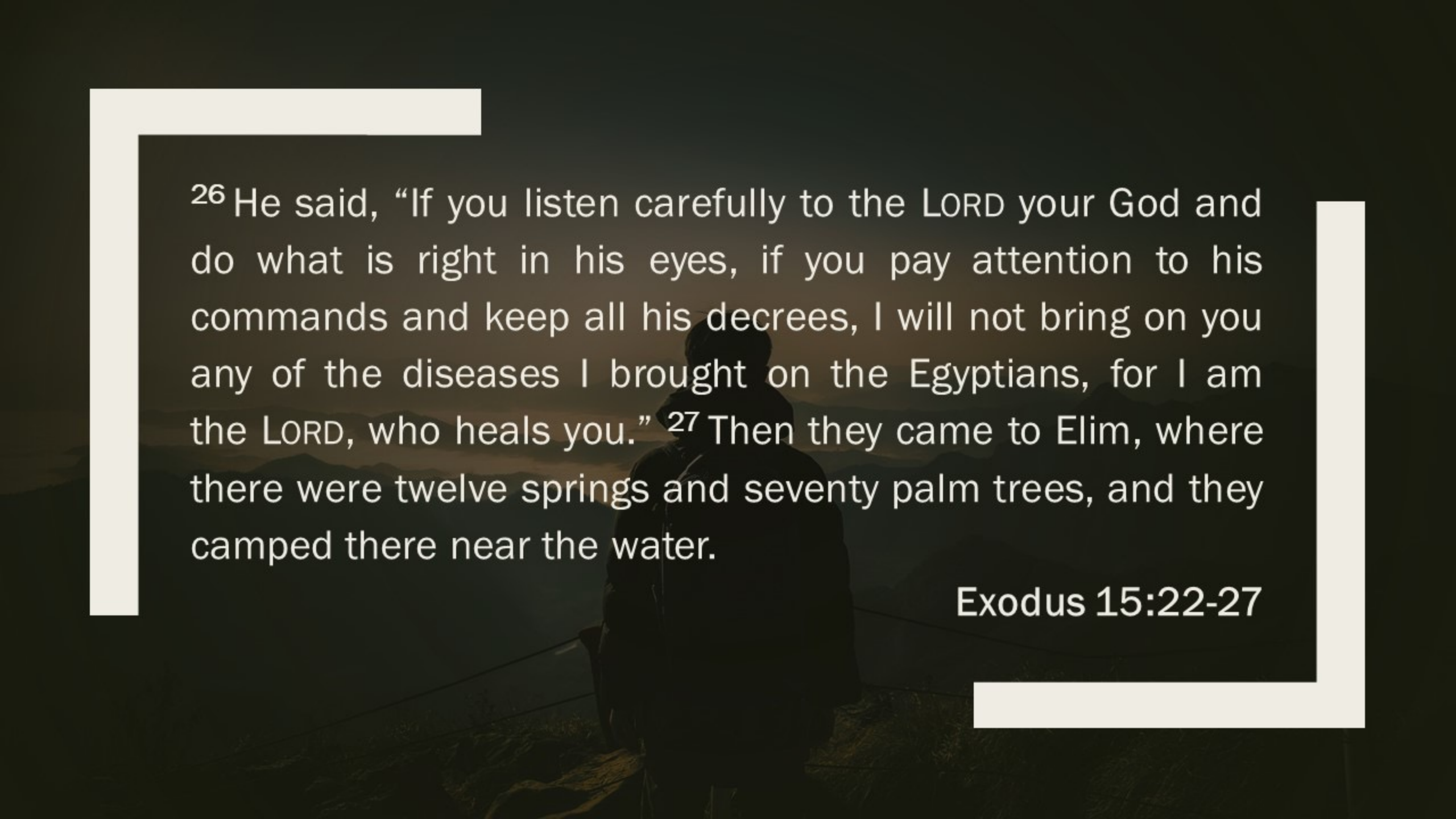


# Exodus 15





<sup>22</sup> Then Moses led Israel from the Red Sea and they went into the Desert of Shur. For three days they travelled in the desert without finding water. <sup>23</sup> When they came to Marah, they could not drink its water because it was bitter. (That is why the place is called Marah.) <sup>24</sup> So the people grumbled against Moses, saying, “What are we to drink?” <sup>25</sup> Then Moses cried out to the LORD, and the LORD showed him a piece of wood. He threw it into the water, and the water became fit to drink. There the LORD issued a ruling and instruction for them and put them to the test.



<sup>26</sup> He said, “If you listen carefully to the LORD your God and do what is right in his eyes, if you pay attention to his commands and keep all his decrees, I will not bring on you any of the diseases I brought on the Egyptians, for I am the LORD, who heals you.” <sup>27</sup> Then they came to Elim, where there were twelve springs and seventy palm trees, and they camped there near the water.

Exodus 15:22-27



Flinders Petrie - April 1889  
(Manchester Museum)

*“Many new-born infants were found buried in the floors of the rooms and, strange to say, usually in boxes made for other purposes.”*



Exodus Story	New Testament
Moses the deliverer	Jesus the deliverer
Pharaoh, the god of Egypt	Satan, the god of this world
Unleavened bread	Leaven as symbol of sin
Blood on the doorposts	Jesus blood for relationship
The Red Sea	A symbol of baptism
Water from the rock	Jesus the rock struck once
Manna from Heaven	Jesus the bread of Heaven
Old generation died	A new creation in Christ
Crossing the Jordan	Water and Spirit
Physical battle	Spiritual battle



## V 22 – LIVE WITH PRURPOSE

*Then Moses led Israel from the Red Sea and they went into the Desert of Shur. For three days they travelled in the desert without finding water.*

- Your context for God's miracle

## V 23 – CONSIDER YOUR RESOURCES

*When they came to Marah, they could not drink its water because it was bitter. (That is why the place is called Marah).*

- What you have, not what you don't have

## V 24 – ADOPT THE RIGHT ATTITUDE

*So the people grumbled against Moses, saying, “What are we to drink?”*

- Rise above circumstances and complaint

## V 25 – IDENTIFY GOD'S INTENT

*Then Moses cried out to the LORD, and the LORD showed him a piece of wood. He threw it into the water, and the water became fit to drink. There the LORD issued a ruling and instruction for them and put them to the test.*

- Jesus' will, not yours



## V 26 – REMEMBER THE SOURCE

*He said, “If you listen carefully to the LORD your God and do what is right in his eyes, if you pay attention to his commands and keep all his decrees, I will not bring on you any of the diseases I brought on the Egyptians, for I am the LORD, who heals you.”*

- Jehovah: a covenant-keeping God

## V 27 – FAITHFULLY ENDURE

*Then they came to Elim, where there were twelve springs and seventy palm trees, and they camped there near the water.*

- The mission, not the moment

