

me-ism

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DICTIONARY



1. Self-importance without any evidence that we (or our world view) actually matter.
2. The belief that this is for you, by you, so help you (God). This belief encompasses all religions
3. Beliefs, ideologies, opinions and appreciation of a person about himself or about anything that concerns him that is published/announced to the public. And is prominently practiced even if you know it or not.





IT'S ALL ABOUT ME

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The philosophy of life that advances self and self-interests at the expense of others.

¹⁶ These six *things* the Lord hates, Yes, seven
are an abomination to Him: ¹⁷ A proud look,
A lying tongue, Hands that shed innocent
blood, ¹⁸ A heart that devises wicked plans,
Feet that are swift in running to evil, ¹⁹ A
false witness *who* speaks lies, And one who
sows discord among brethren.



Proverbs 6:16-19



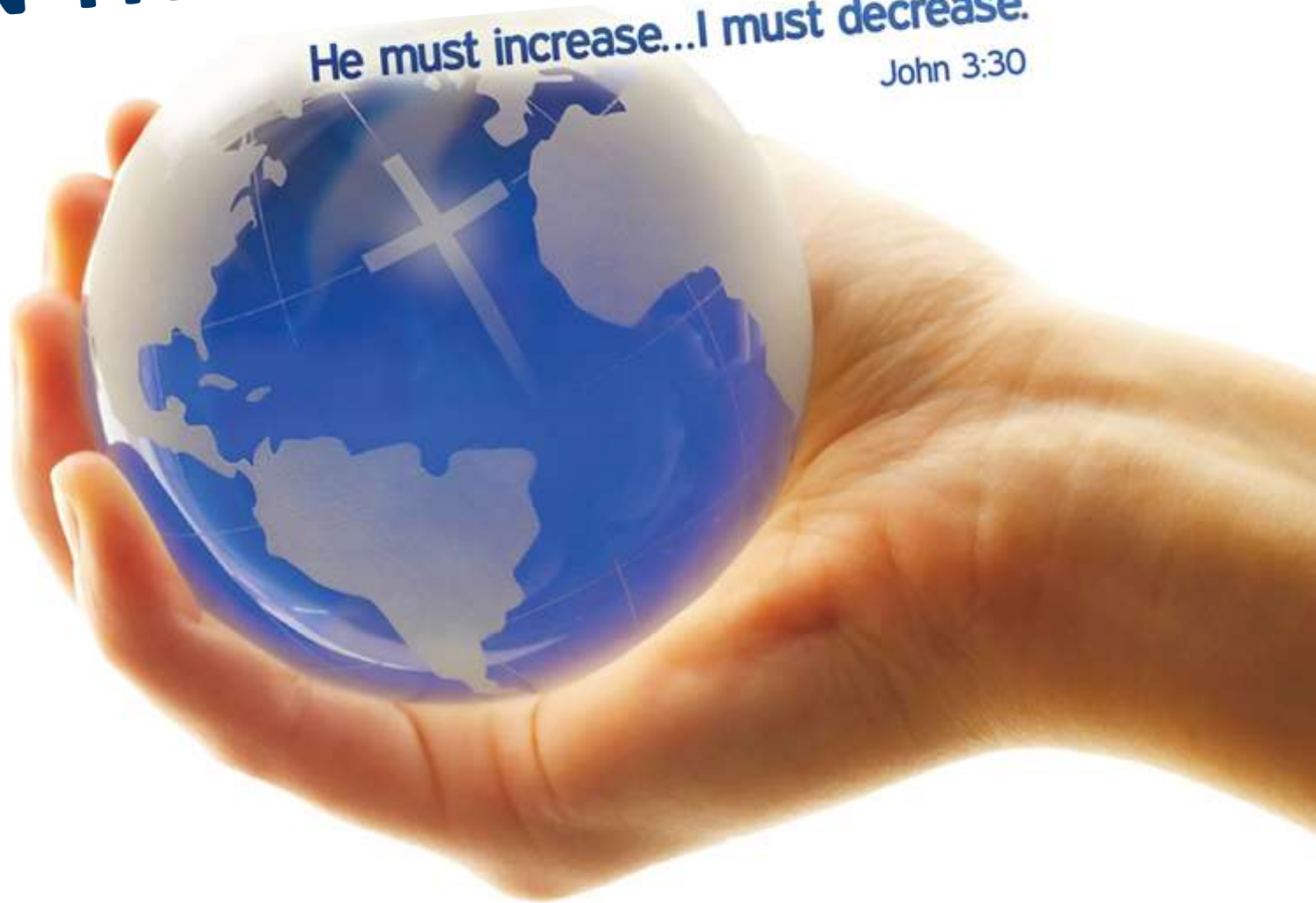
It's common for personal preferences
to be center stage among
Christian **Meist**.



PERSONAL PREFERENCES TAKE CENTER STAGE

JOHN THE BAPTIST PRINCIPLE

He must increase...I must decrease.
John 3:30



IN THE BEGINNING WAS THE
WORD, AND THE WORD WAS WITH
GOD, AND THE WORD WAS GOD.
HE WAS WITH GOD IN THE
BEGINNING THROUGH HIM ALL
THINGS WERE MADE. WITHOUT
HIM NOTHING WAS MADE THAT
HAS BEEN MADE. IN HIM WAS
LIFE, AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT
OF MEN. THE LIGHT SHINES IN
THE DARKNESS, BUT THE DARK-
NESS HAS NOT UNDERSTOOD IT.

the gospel of JOHN

Chapter 3

¹ Jesus realized that the Pharisees were keeping count of the baptisms that he and John performed ² (although his disciples, not Jesus, did the actual baptizing). They had posted the score that Jesus was ahead, turning him and John into rivals in the eyes of the people.



John 4:1-2 in "The Message"

“A person cannot receive even one thing unless it is given him from heaven. 28 You yourselves bear me witness, that I said, ‘I am not the Christ, but I have been sent before him.’ 29 The one who has the bride is the bridegroom.



John 3:27-36 ESV

The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom's voice. Therefore this joy of mine is now complete. **30 He must increase, but I must decrease.** 31 He who comes from above is above all.



John 3:27-36 ESV

He who is of the earth belongs to the earth and speaks in an earthly way. He who comes from heaven is above all. 32 He bears witness to what he has seen and heard, yet no one receives his testimony.



John 3:27-36 ESV

33 Whoever receives his testimony sets his seal to this, that God is true. 34 For he whom God has sent utters the words of God, for he gives the Spirit without measure. 35 The Father loves the Son and has given all things into his hand.




John 3:27-36 ESV

36 Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.



John 3:27-36 ESV

A grey granite headstone with a slightly arched top, set on a wide base. The stone is placed on a green lawn in a cemetery, with other headstones and trees visible in the background. The text is overlaid on the stone in a blue, outlined font.

Herein lies the
Menace of Meism.

It elevates me
above Him



A crowd of people is shown from the chest up, with their hands raised in a gesture of worship or praise. The scene is dimly lit, with a strong blue light source from the background creating a hazy, atmospheric effect. Several bright, out-of-focus light spots are visible in the background, suggesting stage lights or spotlights. The overall mood is one of spiritual fervor and collective participation.

Has going to

WORSHIP

services done you any good?

WORSHIP

that pleases God

A person is shown from the chest up, with their arms raised in a gesture of worship. They are wearing a green shirt. A bright, golden light emanates from behind their head, creating a halo effect and illuminating the scene. The background is dark, making the light stand out. The overall mood is one of spiritual fervor and devotion.

Has your worship been pleasing to God?





At its core, worship is to be a deep respect for the holiness, majesty, and power of God in our midst.

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ABOUT ME

38 John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone using your name to cast out demons, but we told him to stop because he wasn't in our group." 39 "Don't stop him!" Jesus said. "No one who performs a miracle in my name will soon be able to speak evil of me.



Mark 9:38-39 NLT

I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. 11 For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers.



1 Corinthians 1: 10-17 ESV

12 What I mean is that each one of you says, “I follow Paul,” or “I follow Apollos,” or “I follow Cephas,” or “I follow Christ.” 13 Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? 14 I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius,



1 Corinthians 1: 10-17 ESV

15 so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. 16 (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) 17 For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.



1 Corinthians 1: 10-17 ESV



Galatians 2:20

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

“Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus: Who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made



Philippians 2:5-11 NKJV

in the likeness of men: And being found
in fashion as a man, he humbled
himself, and became obedient unto
death, even the death of the cross.
Wherefore God also hath highly exalted
him, and given him a name which is



Philippians 2:5-11 NKJV

is above every name: That at the
name of Jesus every knee should bow,
of things in heaven, and things in
earth, and things under the earth;
And that every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory
of God the Father.



Philippians 2:5-11 NKJV



YET A TIME IS COMING
AND HAS NOW COME
WHEN THE *true worshippers*
WILL WORSHIP THE FATHER
IN THE SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH,
FOR THEY ARE THE KIND OF
WORSHIPPERS THE FATHER SEEKS.

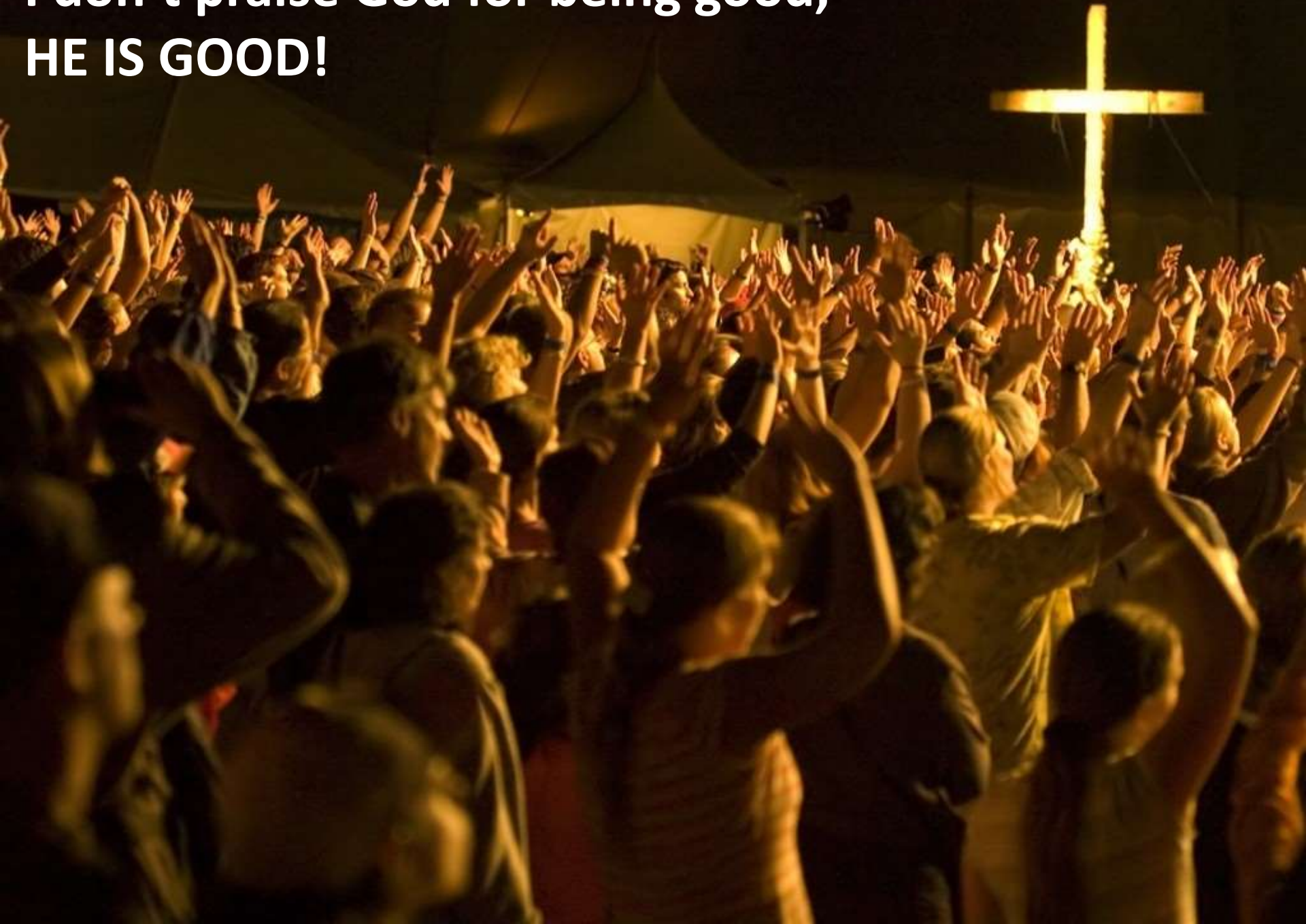
JOHN 4:23 NIV


**Too often folks come to this place with the goal
of being blessed,**



When it should be on our heart to bless God.

**I don't praise God for being good,
HE IS GOOD!**



A photograph of a crowd of people at a concert or religious gathering. Many hands are raised in the air, silhouetted against a bright blue background. The scene is lit with cool blue stage lights, creating a vibrant and energetic atmosphere. The text is overlaid on the lower portion of the image.

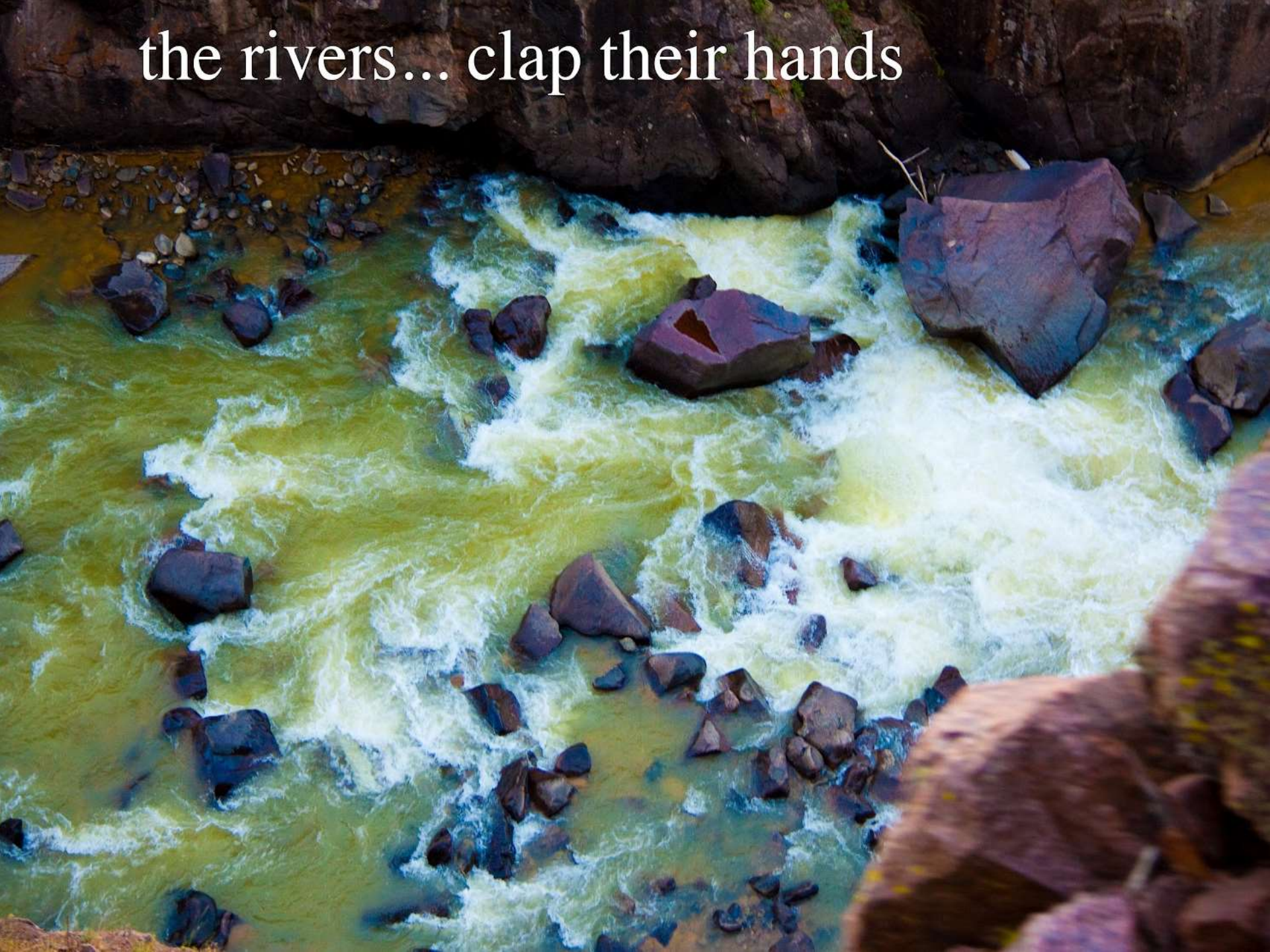
**If our praise were commensurate
with God's greatness than how
great would be our praise!**



“Shout for joy to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and the sound of singing, with trumpets and the blast of the ram’s horn – shout for joy before the LORD, the King!”

Psalm 98:3-6

the rivers... clap their hands



23 But the time is coming—it has, in fact, come—when what you're called will not matter and where you go to worship will not matter. "It's who you are and the way you live that count before God. Your worship must engage your spirit in the pursuit of truth



John 4:23-24 The Message

That's the kind of people the Father is out looking for: those who are simply and honestly themselves before him in their worship. 24 God is sheer being itself—Spirit. Those who worship him must do it out of their very being, their spirits, their true selves, in adoration."



John 4:23-24 The Message

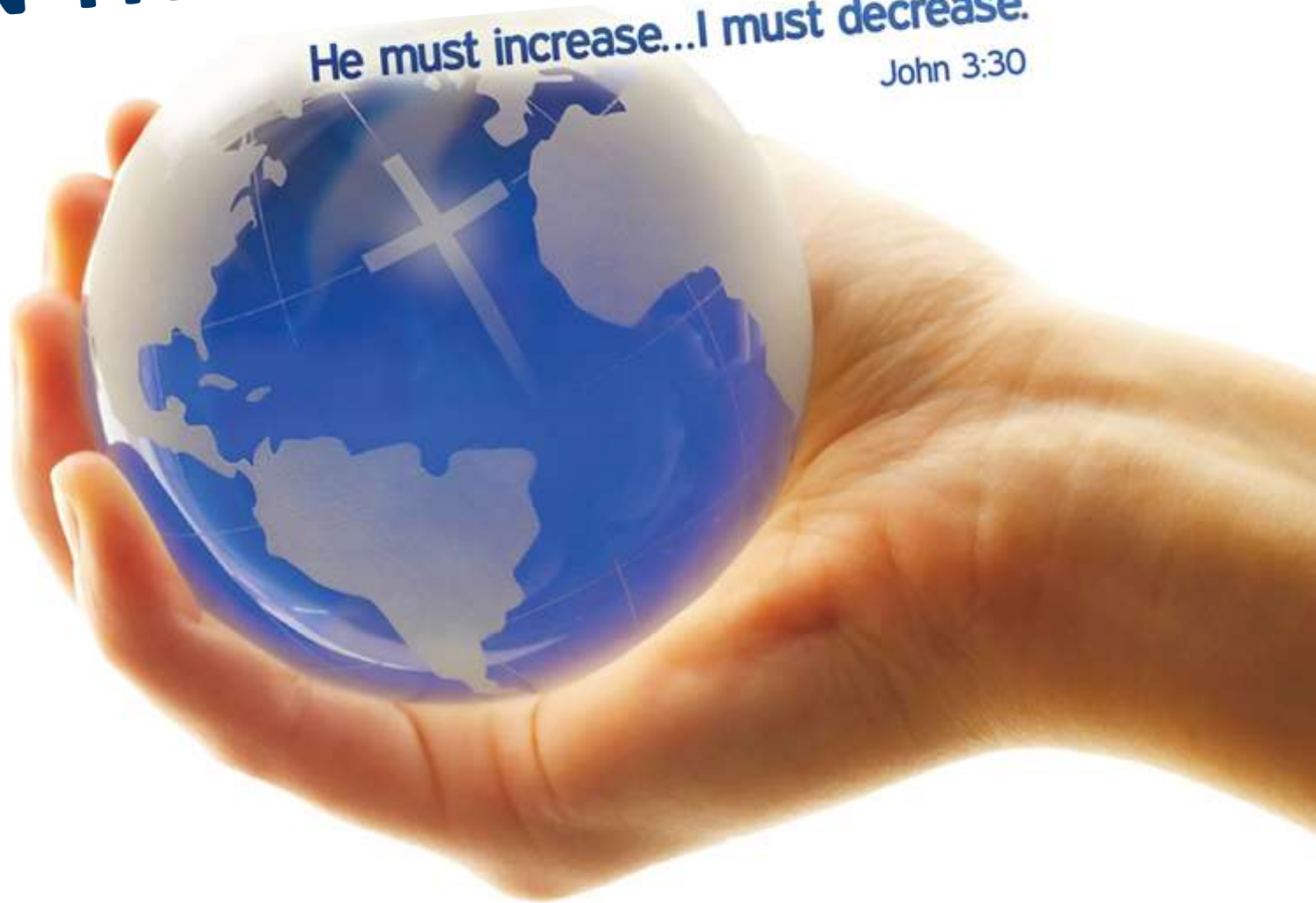
“Through Him, then, let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, that confess His name. Do not forget to do good and to share with others for with such sacrifices God is well pleased



Hebrews 13:15-16 NKJV

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“You make a living by what
you get, but you make a life
by what you give.”

—Winston Churchill