

Awakening 2017: Speak, O Lord

Psalms 20

To the chief Musician. A Psalm of David.

A prayer for the king

1 THE LORD hear thee in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob defend thee.
2 Remember thy sacrifice, O Lord, and all thy ways shall prosper.
3 Give ear, O Lord, to my voice; for I have called upon thee.
4 Grant thee according to thy word, O Lord, and all thy ways shall prosper.
5 We will rejoice in thee, O Lord, for thou hast answered us.
6 Now know I that thy salvation is in the Lord, and that there is no deliverance in us.
7 Strength of his right hand is his, and his strength is his.
8 Some trust in chariots, and some trust in horses; but we will remember the name of the Lord our God.
9 They are brought down and fallen; but we are risen, and stand upright.
10 Save, Lord, for the king hear us when we call.

Psalms 21

To the chief Musician. A Psalm of David.

Splendor and success of the king
1 THE KING shall joy in thy strength, O Lord, and in thy salvation have greatly shall he rejoice.
2 Thou hast given him his heart's desire, and hast not withholden the request of his lips. Selah.
3 He shall say in his heart, I will not move, for I have trusted in the Lord.
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Psalms 22

To the chief Musician.

A Psalm of David.

My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

Why art thou so far from helping me, and so far from being my deliverer?

Why hast thou forsaken me, and why art thou so far from helping me, O God, my God?

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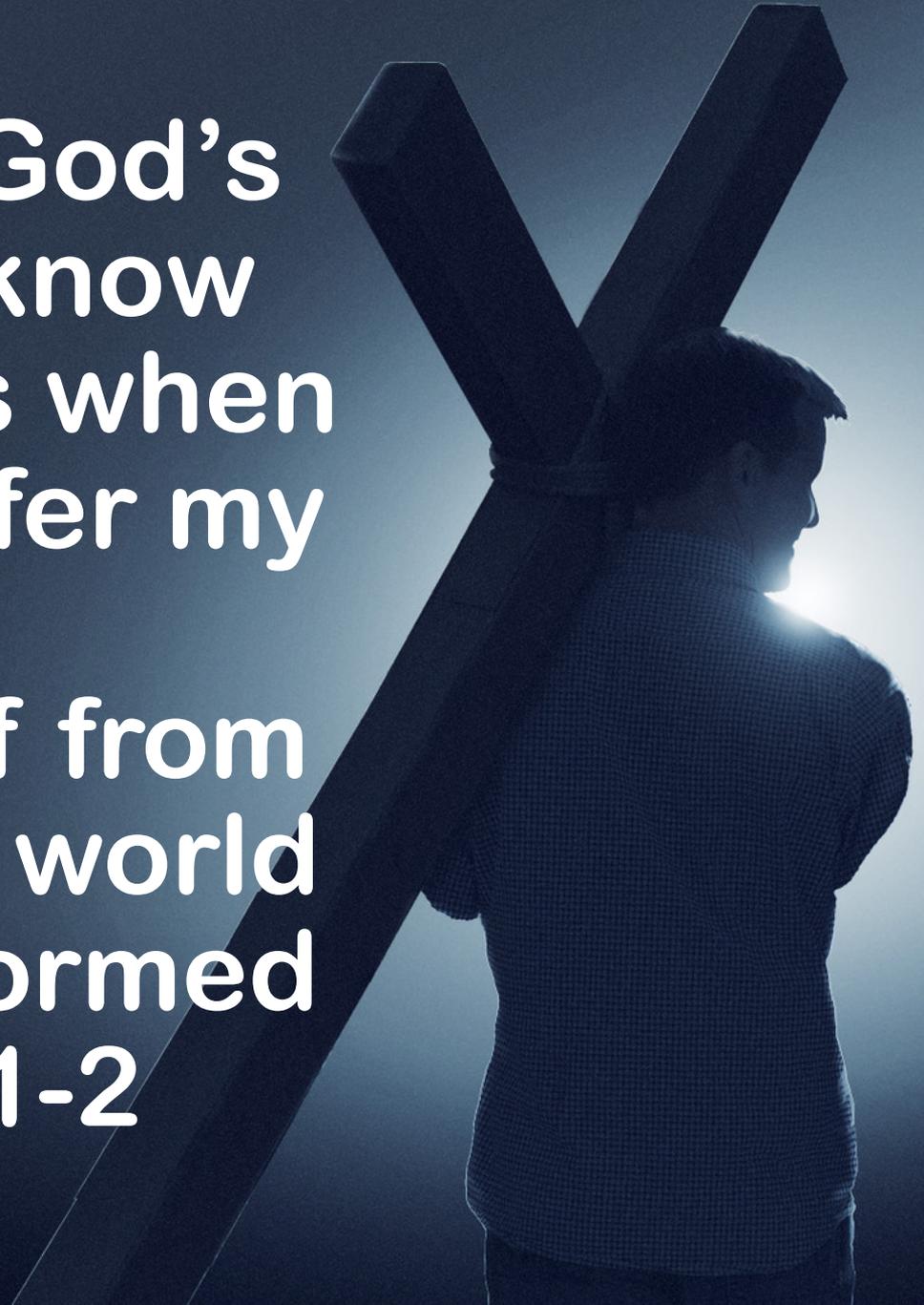
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My Relationships

Romans 12

1. I respond to God's mercy and will know God's purposes when I sacrificially offer my life to God and separate myself from the unbelieving world by being transformed in my mind. 12:1-2



Christian
commitment is a
response to
God's mercy.



I am to worship God
by offering my life,
all of who I am, as a
sacrifice to God and
His purposes.



The transformation
and renewal of my
mind allows me to
think the thoughts of
God and live
differently from the
unbelieving world.



The result is that my
life becomes more
and more
concerned with
God's eternal
purposes.



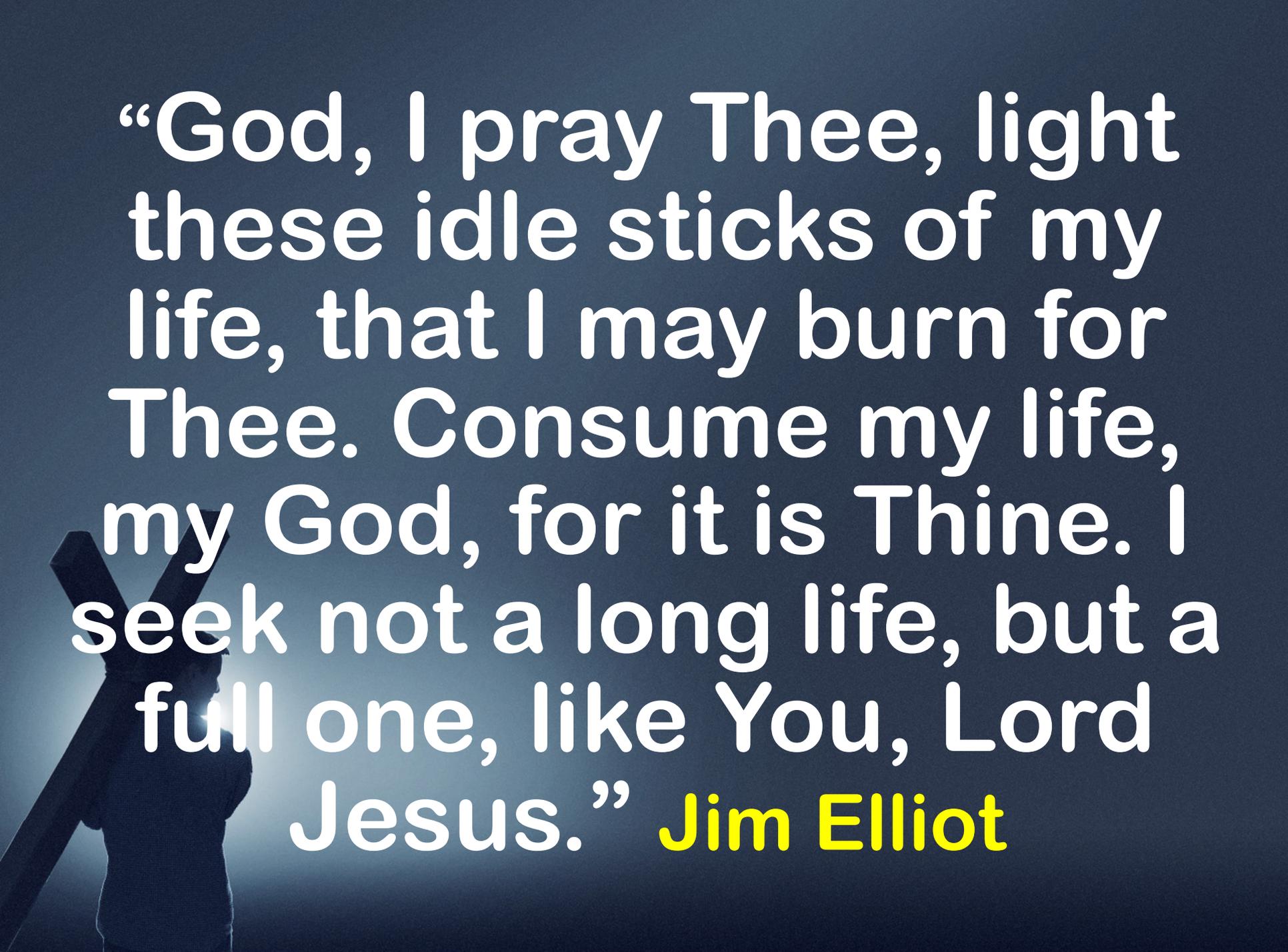
Meat Loaf



I'D DO ANYTHING FOR LOVE
(BUT I WON'T DO THAT)

I'd do anything for
God, but I won't
do that.





“God, I pray Thee, light these idle sticks of my life, that I may burn for Thee. Consume my life, my God, for it is Thine. I seek not a long life, but a full one, like You, Lord Jesus.” **Jim Elliot**

How am I responding to God's
mercies?

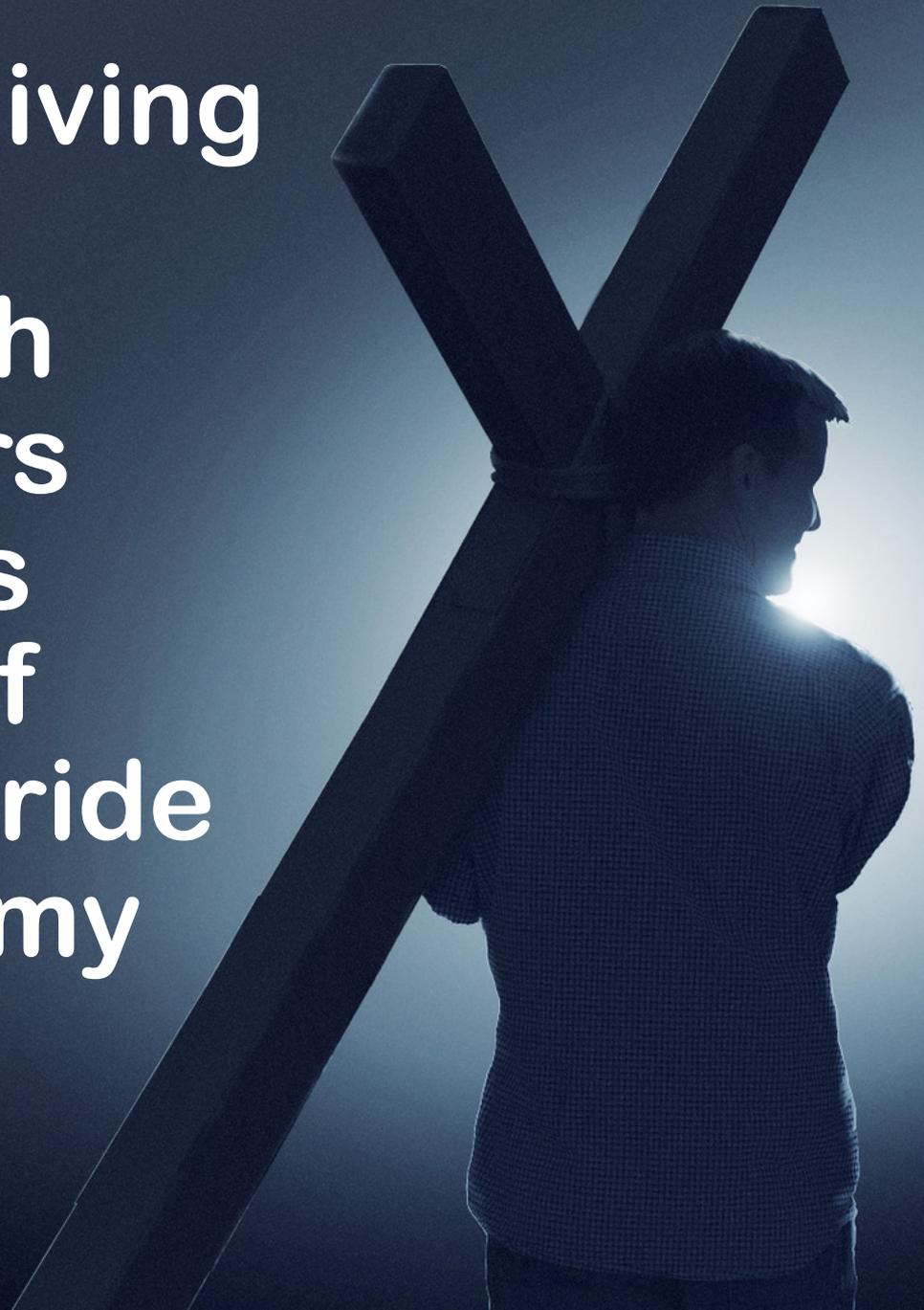
Am I offering my life to God's
purposes?

Am I refusing to conform to the
unbelieving world?

Am I being transformed so I
know and work for God's
purposes?



2. When I am a living sacrifice, my relationship with church members manifests God's grace instead of projecting my pride and protecting my possessions.
12:3-8, 10-16



God distributes
spiritual gifts to every
believer and gives the
faith needed to
exercise those gifts
resulting in a spiritual
unity in Christ.



Christian love is
expressed in
selflessness and
graciousness
toward believers.

12:10-13



How do I impact the body of
Christ?

Am I taking my place?

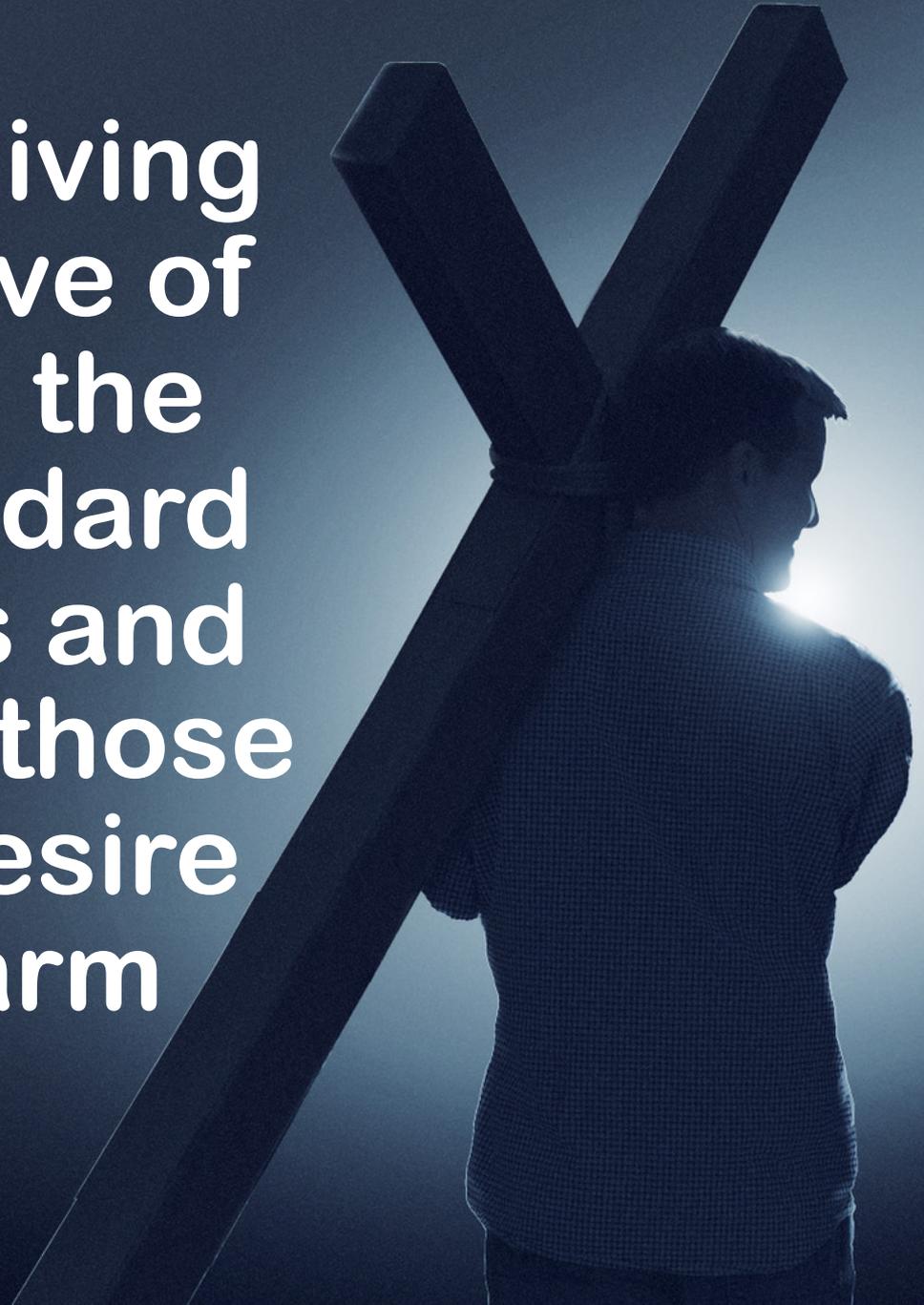
Am I exercising my gift, my
role in the church?

**Does my presence
contribute to a unified
purpose?**

What am I withholding?



3. When I am a living sacrifice, the love of Jesus becomes the basis of or standard for all my words and actions toward those who have the desire and ability to harm me. 12:9, 17-21



The key characteristic of the Christian life is sincere love that actively pushes back against evil and works to accomplish what is good.



Christian love does
not seek revenge or
justice for oneself
but trusts God to
make things right.



Christian love
invokes God's
blessing on behalf
of those whose
intent is to harm the
Christian. 12:14



Christian love goes
out of its way to do
good to enemies.

12:20-21



When I am a living
sacrifice I have nothing
to protect, nothing to
lose because I have
already lost everything.
There is nothing to fear.

A silhouette of a person holding a large wooden cross is visible on the left side of the image. The person is positioned against a bright, circular light source, which creates a strong backlighting effect and a lens flare. The background is a dark, gradient blue.

Do my words and actions reveal in practical ways the love of Jesus Christ to those who intend to do me harm?

