

“Hearing God’s Voice” series (Part 3):

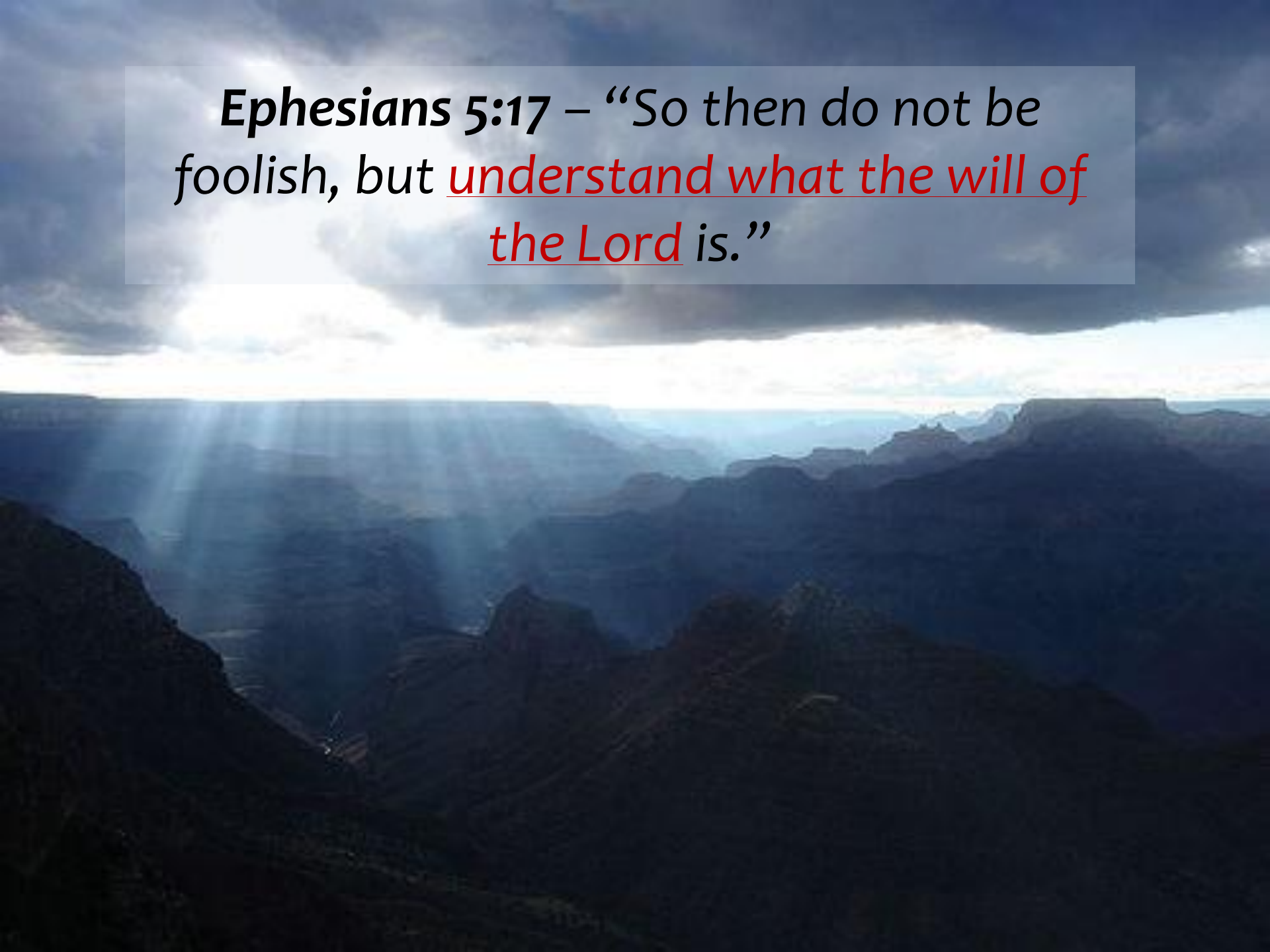
DISCERNING THE WILL OF GOD

Text: 1 John 4:1



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Ephesians 5:17 – “So then do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.”



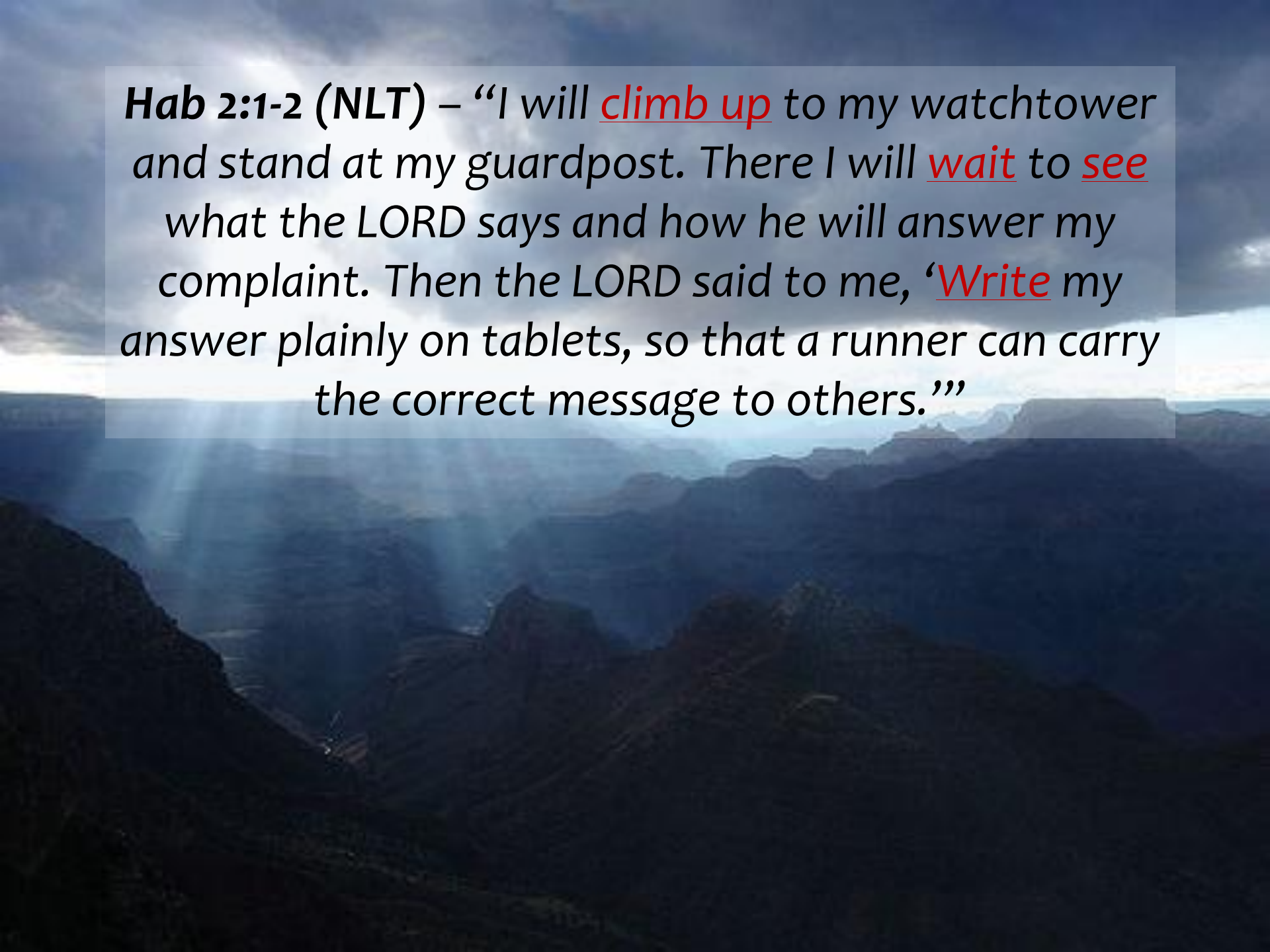
Colossians 1:9 – “I pray for you so that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding...”





4 Attitudes:

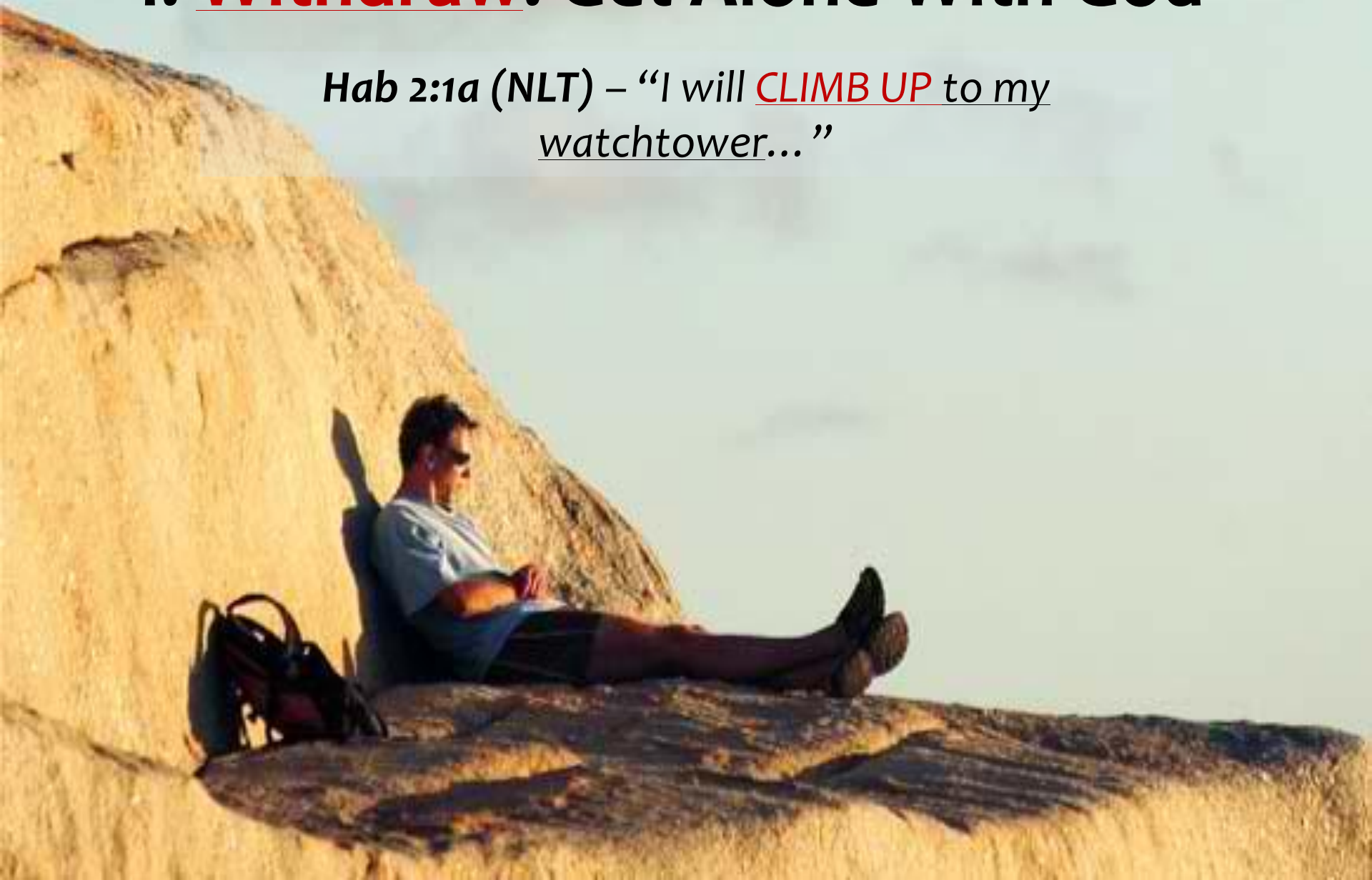
- Cultivate an open mind
- Allocate time to listen
- Eliminate the distractions
- Cooperate with what God says



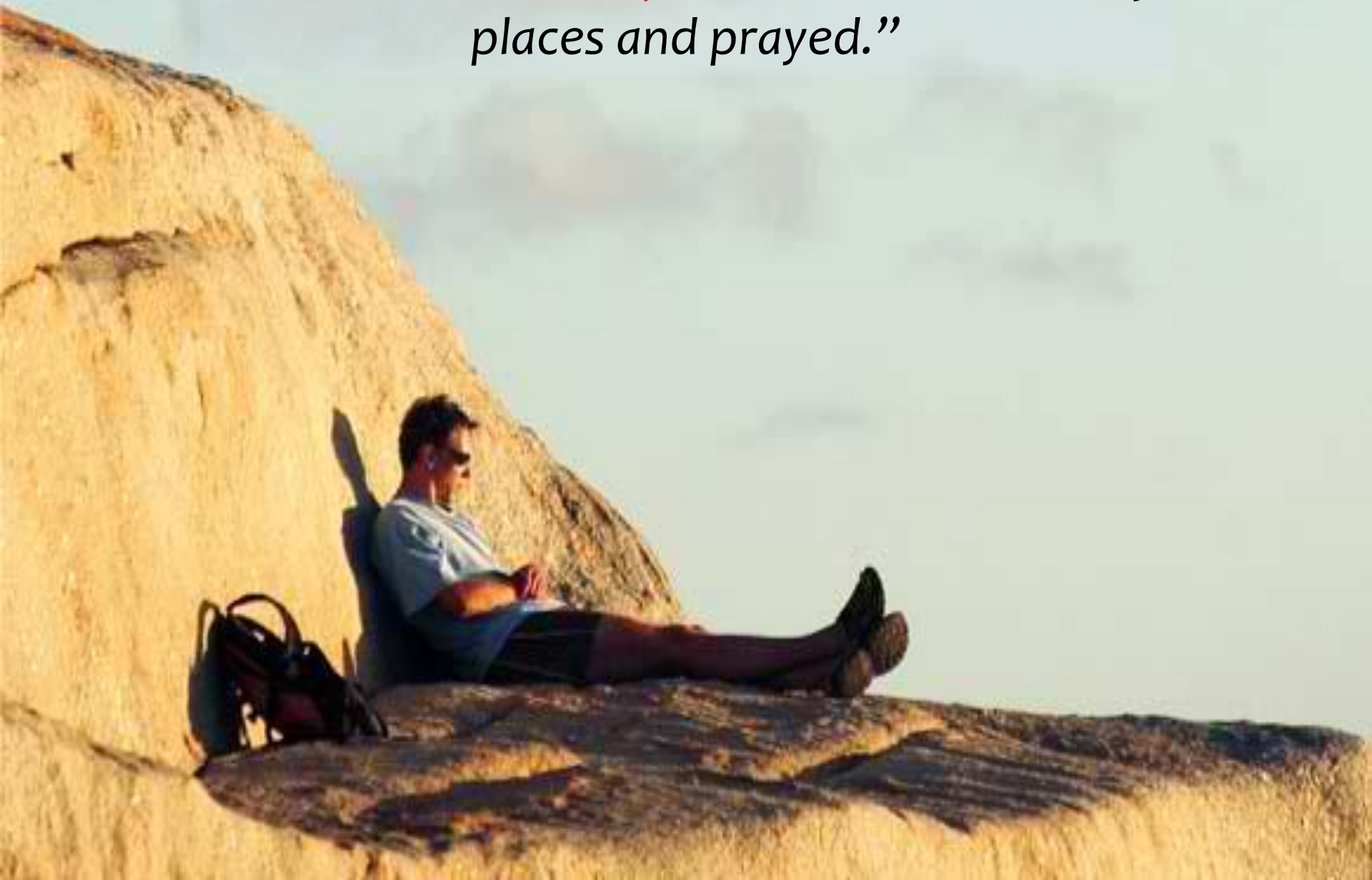
Hab 2:1-2 (NLT) – “I will climb up to my watchtower and stand at my guardpost. There I will wait to see what the LORD says and how he will answer my complaint. Then the LORD said to me, ‘Write my answer plainly on tablets, so that a runner can carry the correct message to others.’”

1. Withdraw: Get Alone With God

Hab 2:1a (NLT) – “I will CLIMB UP to my watchtower...”



Luke 5:16 – “Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed.”



2. Wait: Relax Your Mind & Emotions

Hab 2:1a (NLT) – “I will... stand at my guardpost. There I will WAIT...”



“In contemporary society, our Adversary majors in three things: noise, hurry and crowds.” – Richard Foster



“Hurry is not of the devil; hurry is the devil.”

– **Carl Jung**



Cluttered Mind

Negative Emotions





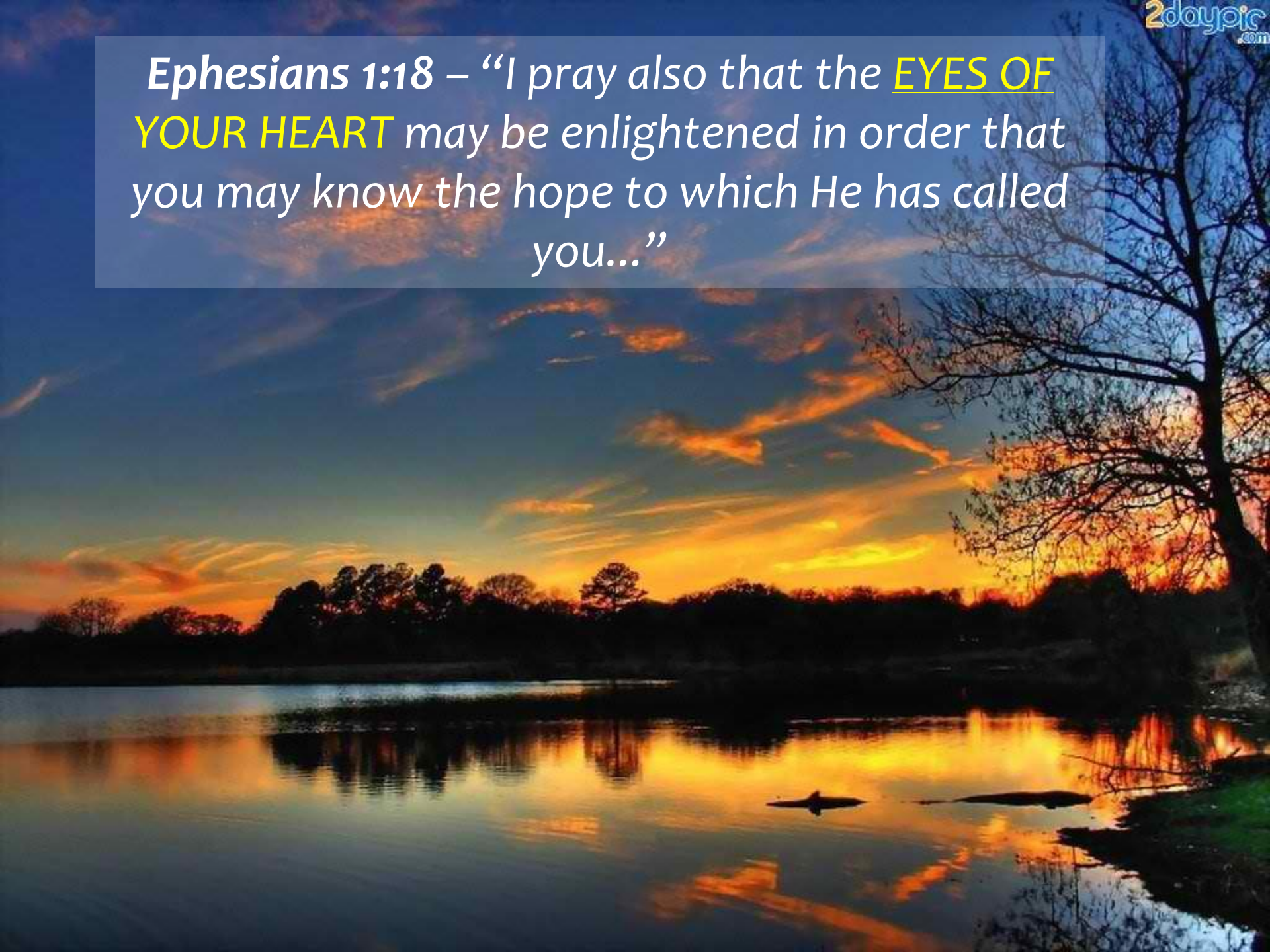
NO CONDEMNATION
In Christ

3. Watch: Open Your Spiritual Eyes

Hab 2:1b (NASB) – “And I keep WATCH to see what he will say to me...”



Ephesians 1:18 – “I pray also that the EYES OF YOUR HEART may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which He has called you...”



John 3:3 – “I tell you the truth, no one can **SEE** the kingdom of God unless he is **born again**.”



4. Write: Record Your Insights

Hab 2:2 (NLT) – “Then the LORD said to me, ‘WRITE my answer plainly on tablets...”



5. **Worship:** Thank God For Speaking To You

*Hab 3:2 (TLB) – “Oh, Lord, now I've heard your report and I **WORSHIP** you in awe.”*

