

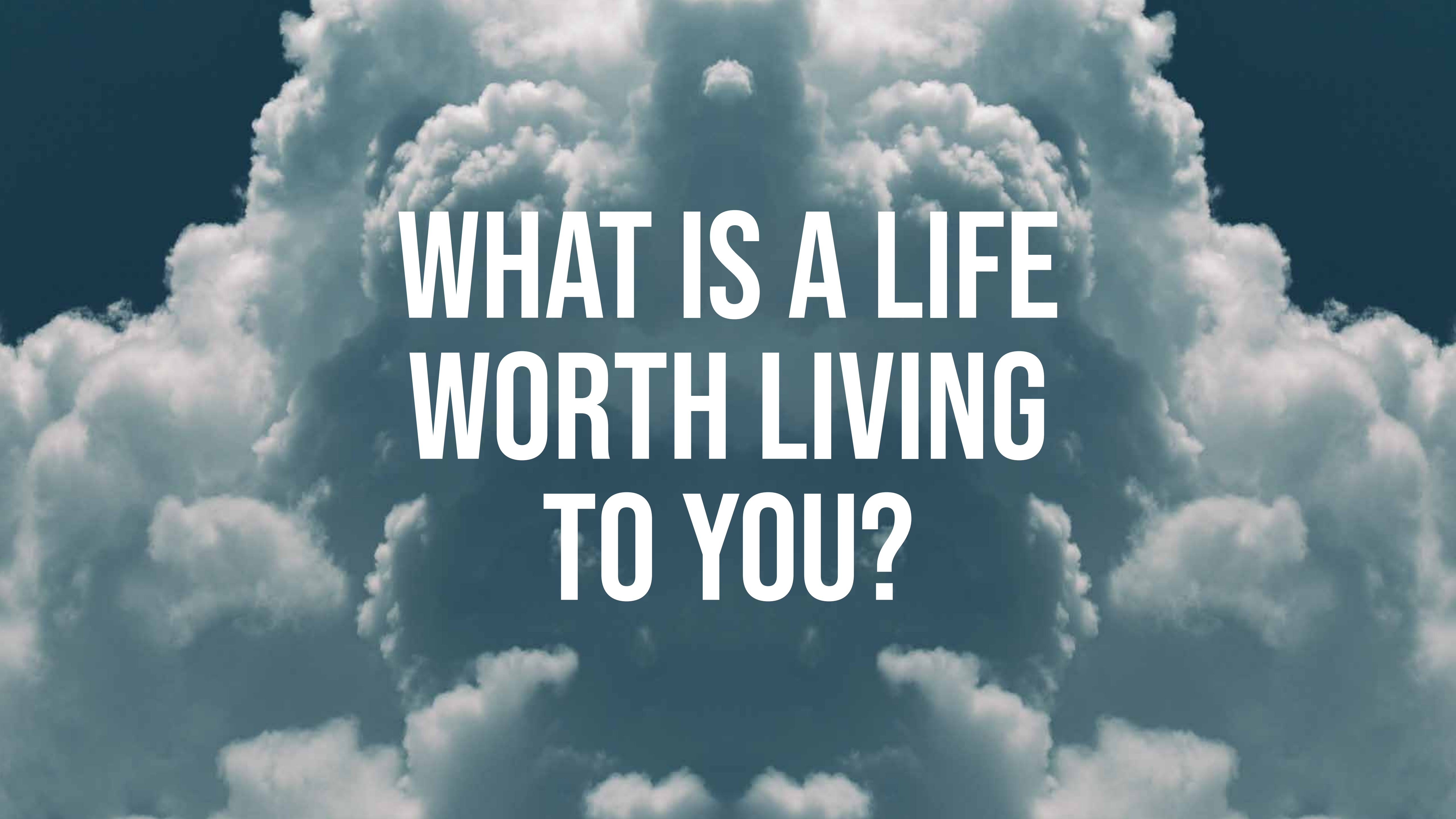
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# WORTH LIVING



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**WHAT IS A LIFE  
WORTH LIVING  
TO YOU?**








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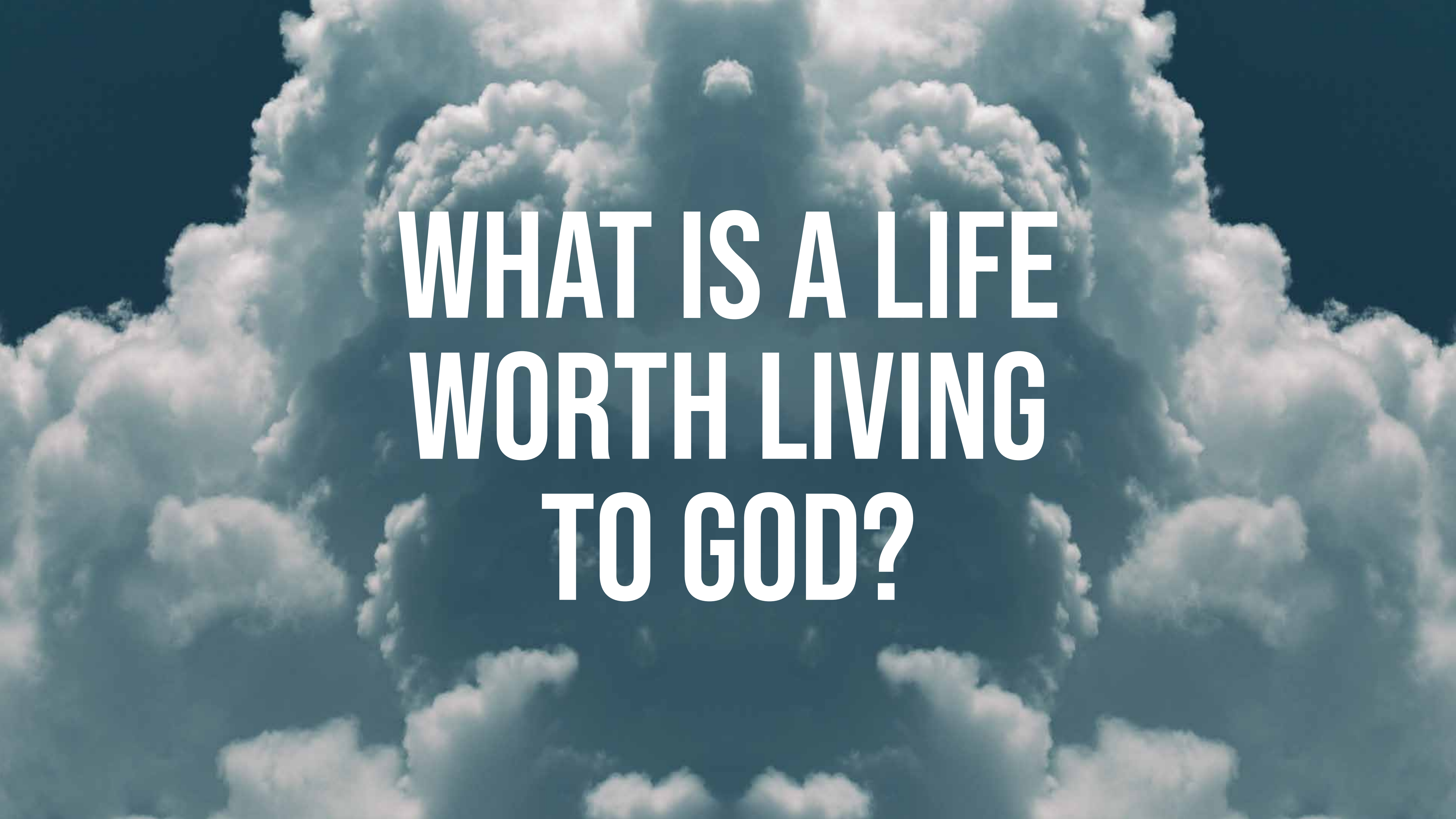




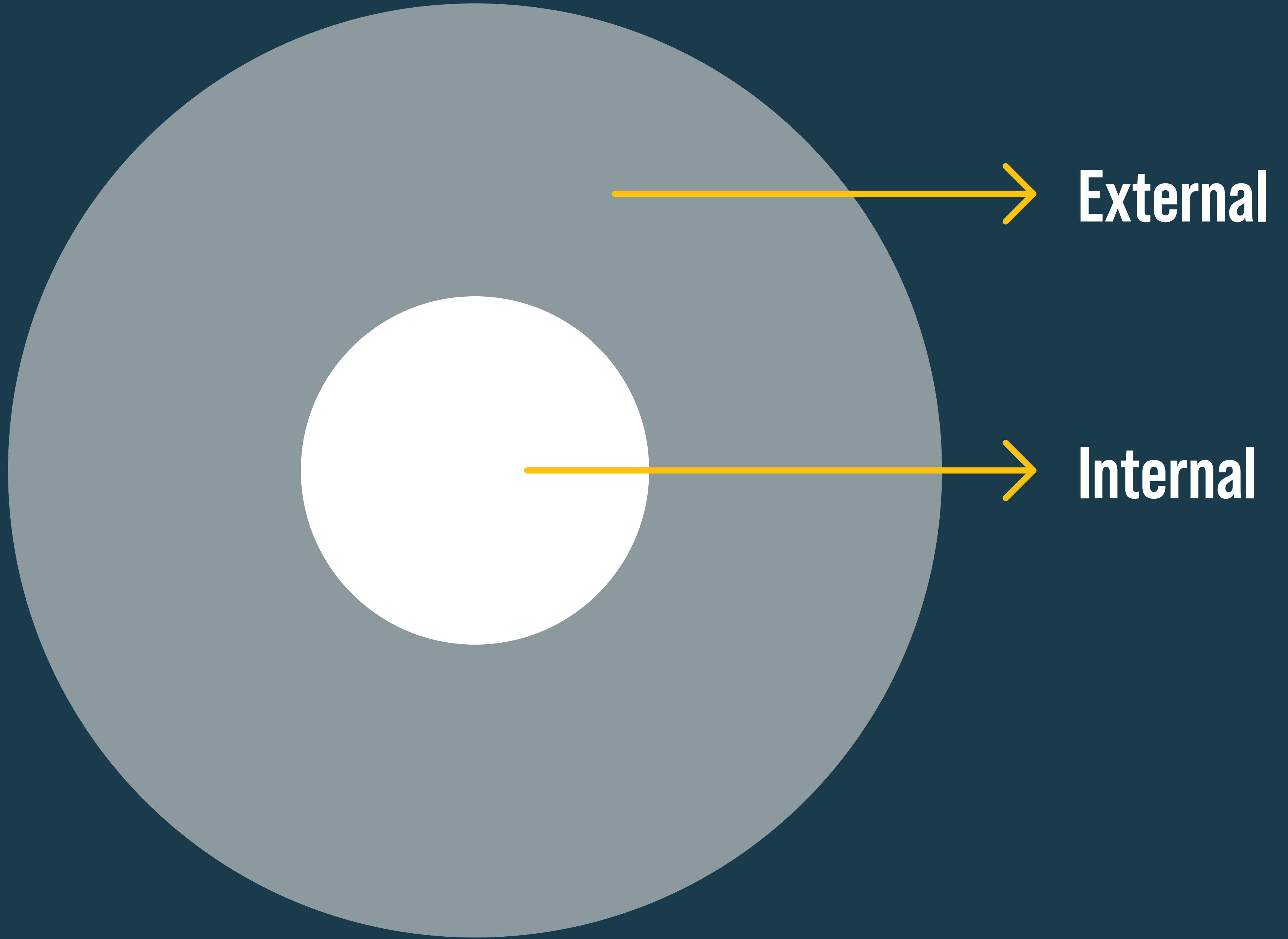


**A LIFE WORTH LIVING  
TO US IS ALWAYS  
EXTERNAL TO US**





**WHAT IS A LIFE  
WORTH LIVING  
TO GOD?**







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# 1 THESSALONIANS 4

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We exhorted each one of you and encouraged you and charged you to **walk in a manner worthy of God**, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory.

1 Thessalonians 2:12 ESV



Finally, then, brothers, we ask and urge you in the Lord Jesus,  
that as you received from us how you ought to **walk** and to  
please God, just as you are doing, that you do so  
**more and more.**

1 Thessalonians 4:1



# TO WALK IN CHRIST

- Not a moment but a journey
- Not “where we walk” but “how we walk”
- There are many ways to walk



For you know what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus. For this is the **will of God**, your **sanctification**:

1 Thessalonians 4:2-3



# SANCTIFICATION

- The process of reflecting more of Christ
- Different from justification
- Will of God



that you abstain from **sexual immorality**; that each one of you know how to **control** his own body in **holiness and honor**, not in the passion of **lust like the Gentiles** who do not know God; that no one **transgress and wrong his brother in this matter**, because the Lord is an avenger in all these things, as we told you beforehand and solemnly warned you.

1 Thessalonians 4:4-6



# CONTRAST

## World

- Pursue Passion
- To Transgress Others
- Flesh

## God

- Self Control
- To Love Others
- Spirit



# UNDERSTANDING ROMAN SEXUALITY

It was **expected and socially acceptable** for a freeborn Roman man to want sex with both female and **male partners**, as long as he took the dominating role.

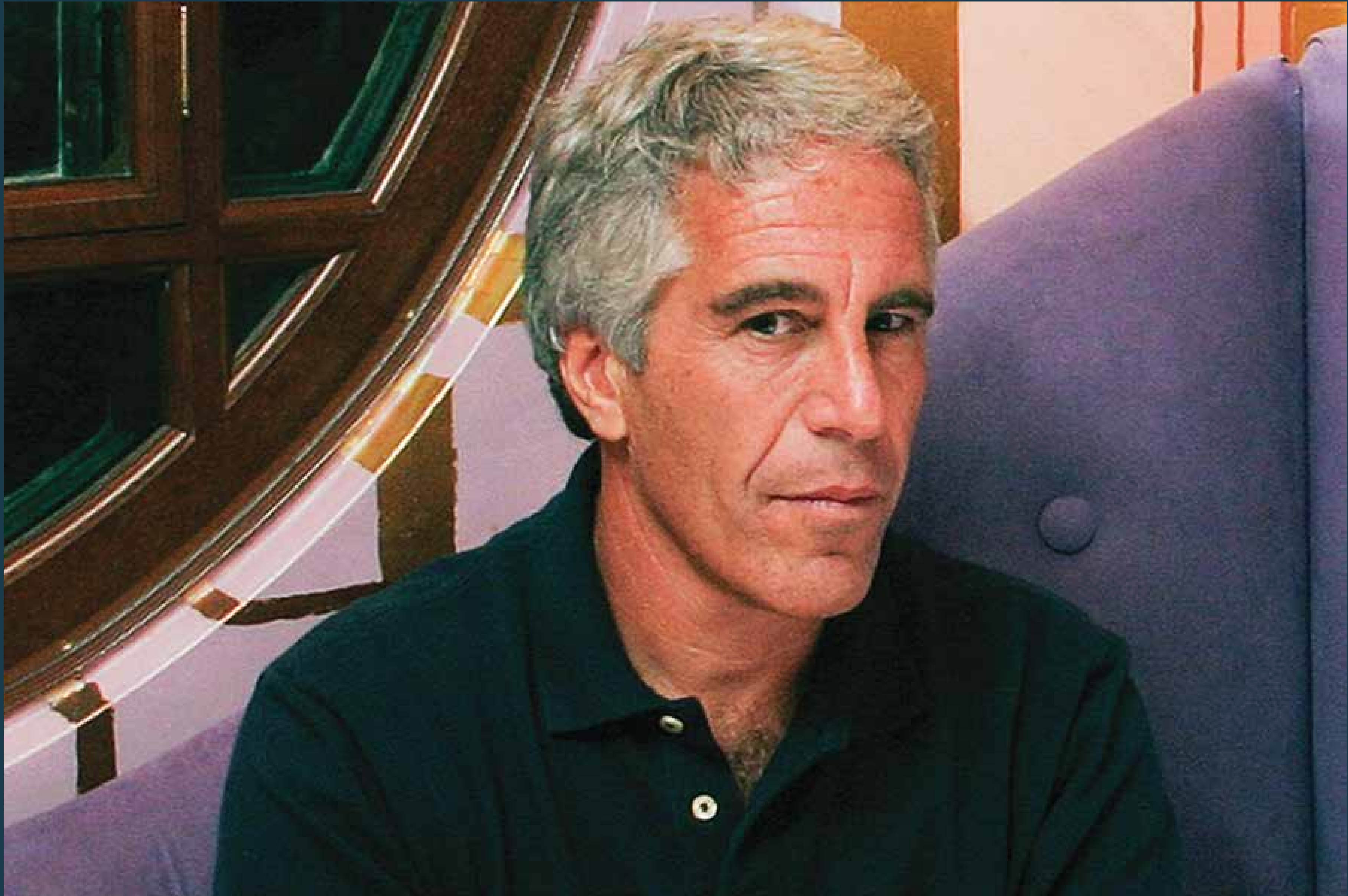
- Nothing about consent



# UNDERSTANDING ROMAN SEXUALITY

Acceptable objects of desire were women of social or legal status, male prostitutes, or male slaves, but sexual behaviors outside marriage were to be confined to **slaves and prostitutes**, or less often a concubine or "kept woman".

- Slaves were regarded as property and could be used by their masters for sex





# CONTRAST

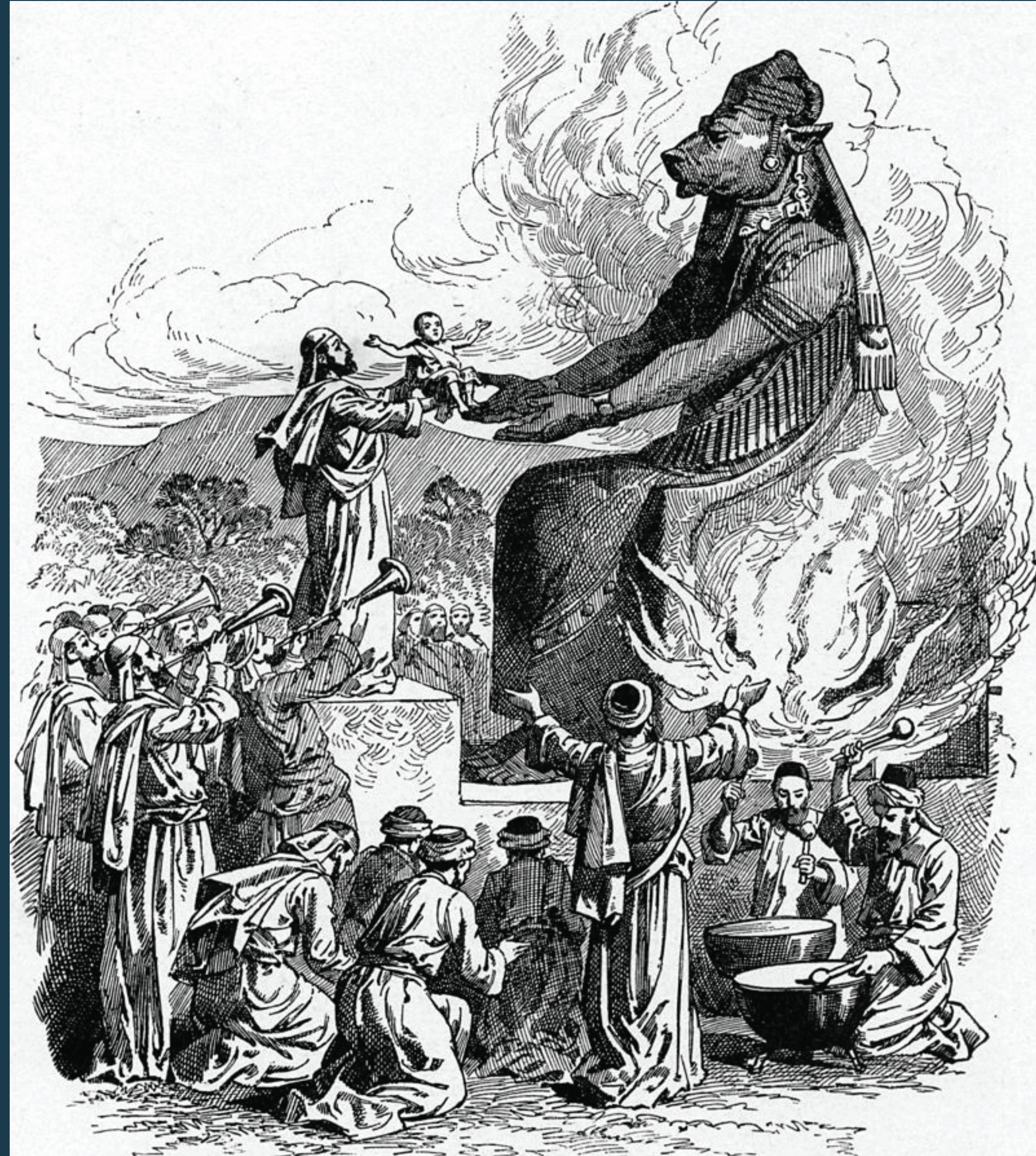
## World

- Pursue Passion
- To Transgress Others
- Flesh
- Material
- Self-Serving
- Despicable

## God

- Self Control
- To Love Others
- Spirit
- Immaterial
- Self-Sacrifice
- Noble









For God has not called us for impurity, but in **holiness**.  
Therefore whoever disregards this, disregards not man but  
God, who gives his Holy Spirit to you.

1 Thessalonians 4:7-8

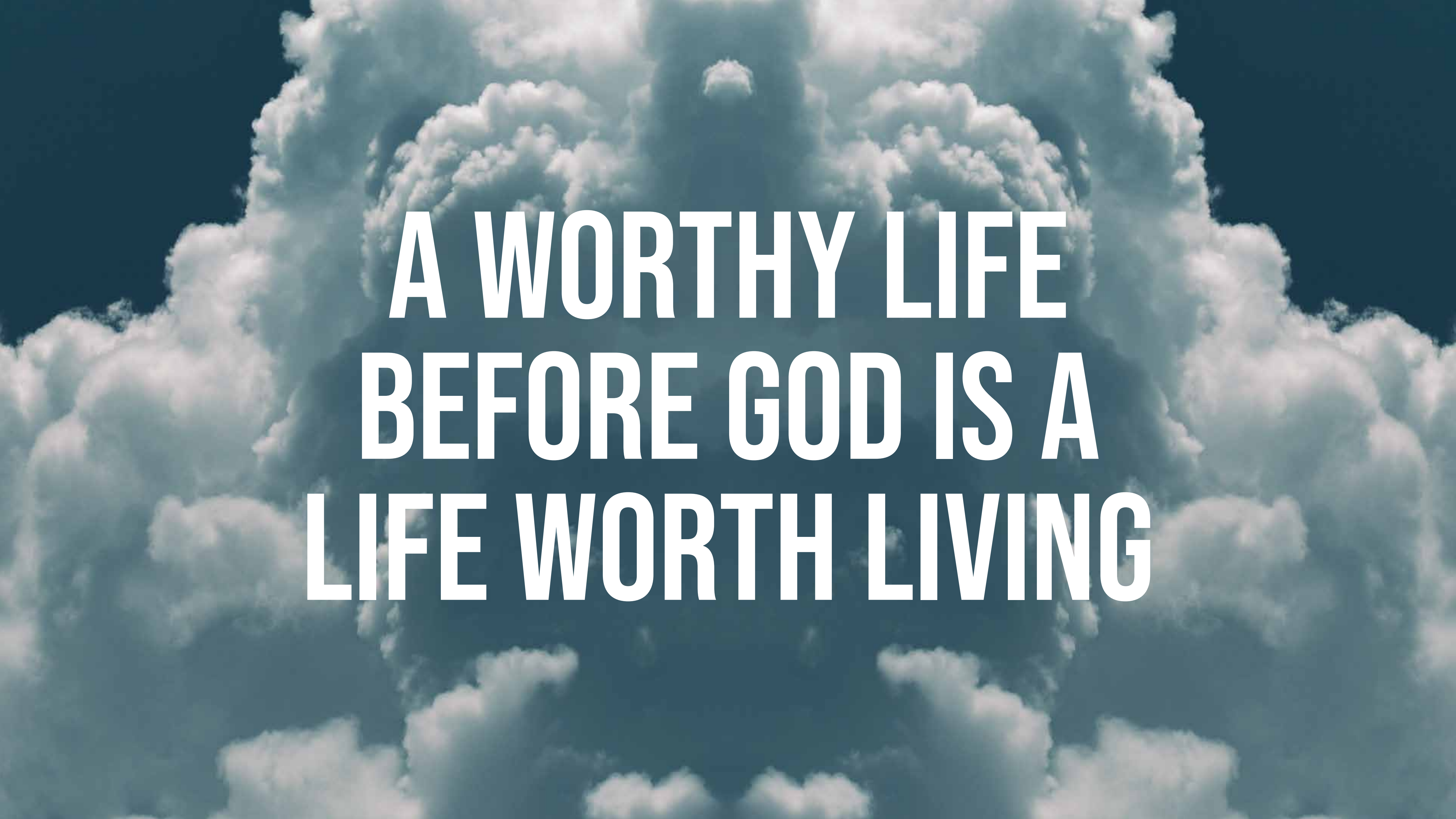






**TO BE HOLY IS  
TO BE FREE**





**A WORTHY LIFE  
BEFORE GOD IS A  
LIFE WORTH LIVING**





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