

GOD WITH US

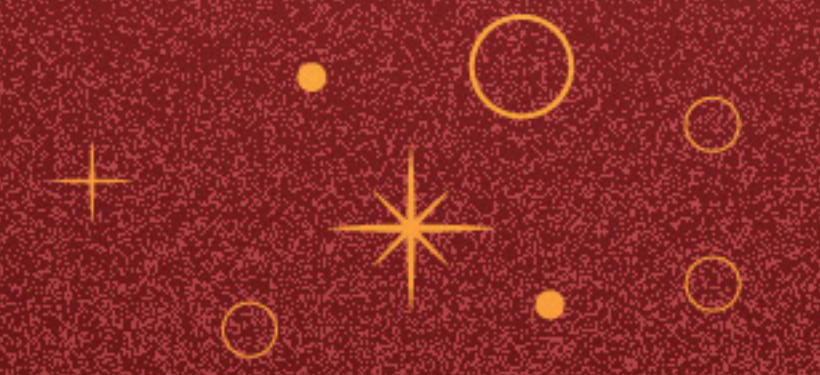
THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS



EVERY NATION
CHURCH · MALAYSIA



MERRY
CHRISTMAS



GREETINGS FROM EVERY NATION



PENANG



**ALOR
SETAR**



GEORGETOWN



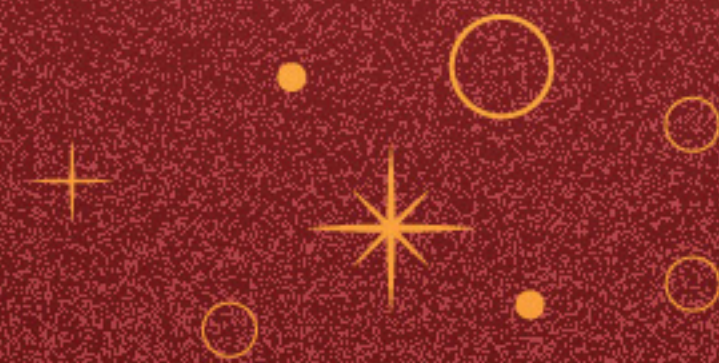
**BUKIT
MERTAJAM**

MY FAMILY





GOD WITH US:
EMMANUEL





¹⁴ “Therefore the Lord himself will **give** you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall **conceive** and **bear** a son, and shall **call** his name **Immanuel.**”



ISAIAH 7:14 (ESV)

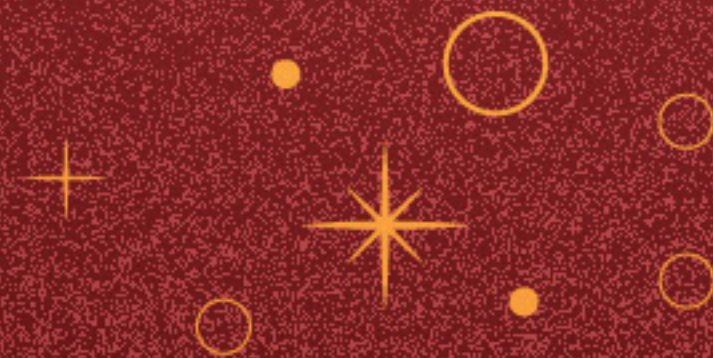




²² All this took place to **fulfill** what the Lord had **spoken** by the prophet:
²³ “Behold, the virgin shall **conceive** and **bear** a son, and they shall **call** his
name **Immanuel**”



MATTHEW 1:22-23 (ESV)





For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, **Everlasting Father**, Prince of Peace.



ISAIAH 9:6 (ESV)





BBQ



SHOPPING



LIGHTS



GIFTS





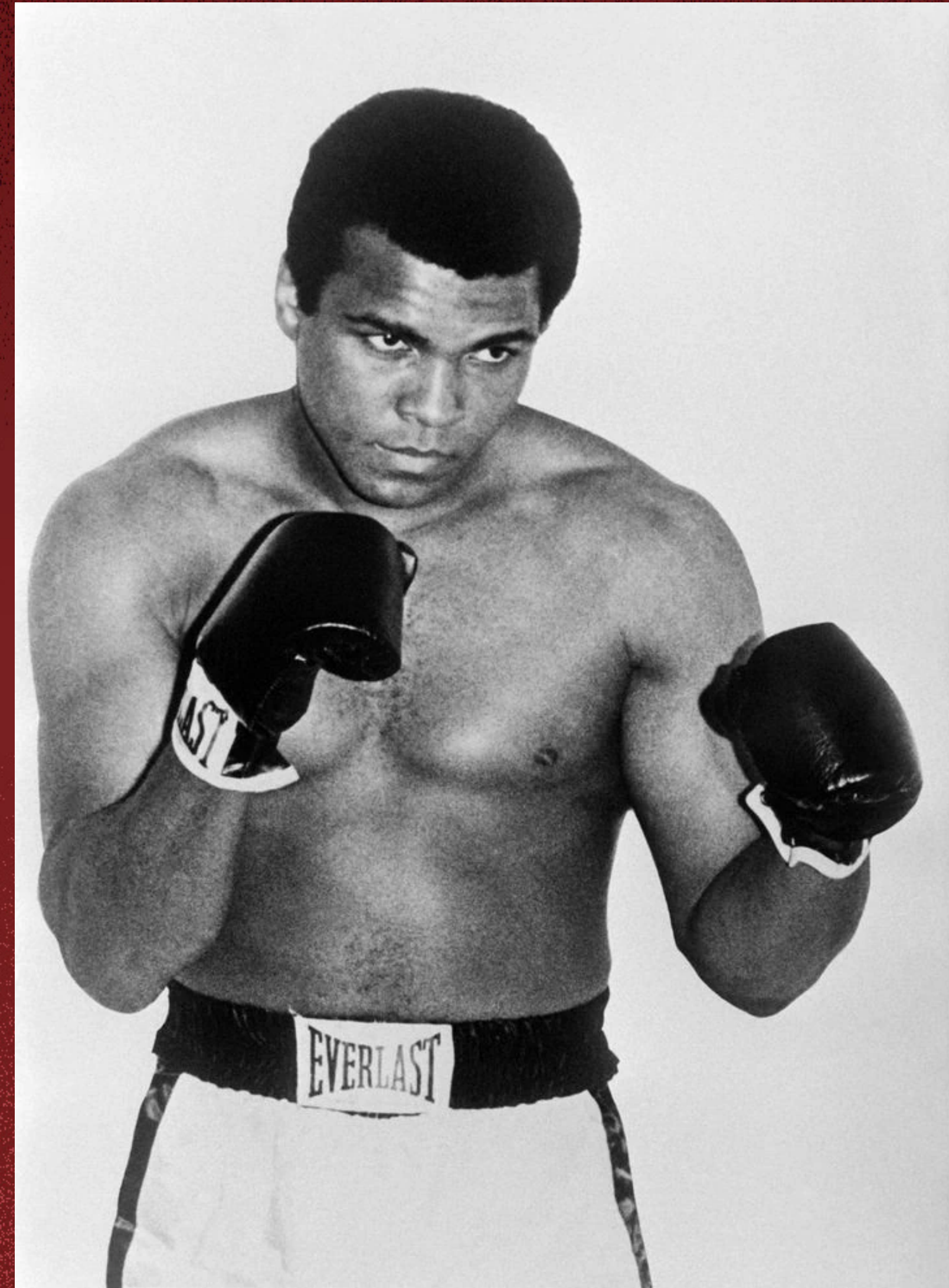
EVERLASTING FATHER

ISAIAH 9:6 (ESV)

“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, **Everlasting Father**, Prince of Peace.”



EVERLAST[®]





WHAT DOES 'EVERLASTING' MEAN?

Hebrew: "ad"

Forever and ever, perpetually, continually, until, eternity, eternal.



1 - HE IS NOT LIMITED BY TIME

REVELATION 1:8 (ESV)

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

JEREMIAH 31:3 (ESV)

“... the Lord appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with **an everlasting love**; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.



2 - HIS RESOURCES ARE UNLIMITED

ISAIAH 40:28-29 (ESV)

²⁸ Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹ He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength.



3 - HE IS PERPETUAL IN HIS AUTHORITY

ISAIAH 9:7 (ESV)

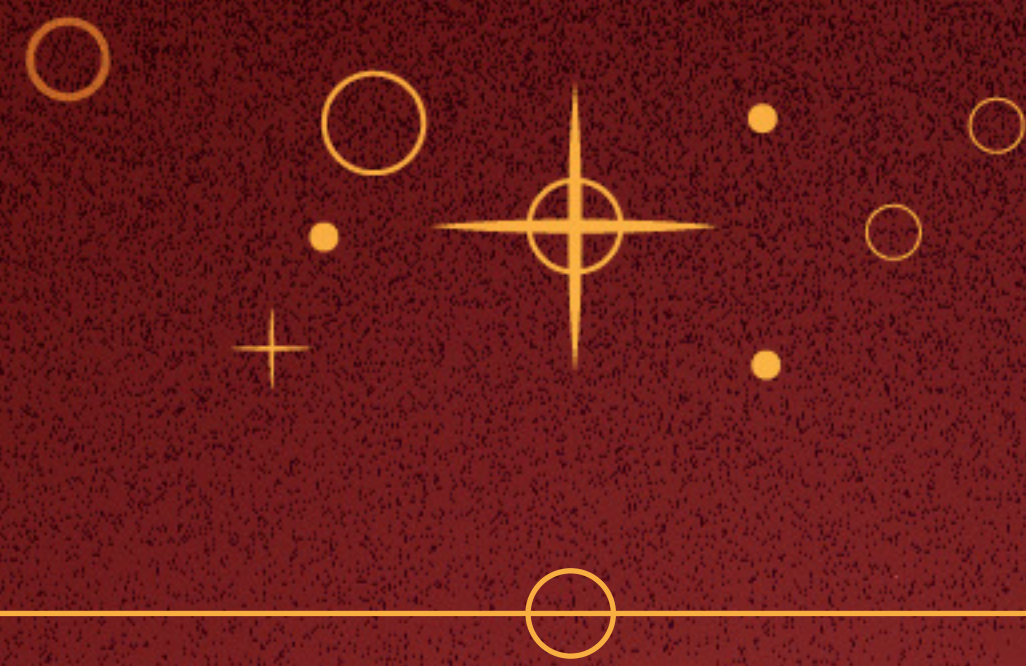
“Of the increase of his government and of peace **there will be no end,**
on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it
with justice and with righteousness **from this time forth and forevermore.**
The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.”



4 - HE IS AN UNCHANGING GOD

HEBREWS 13:8 (ESV)

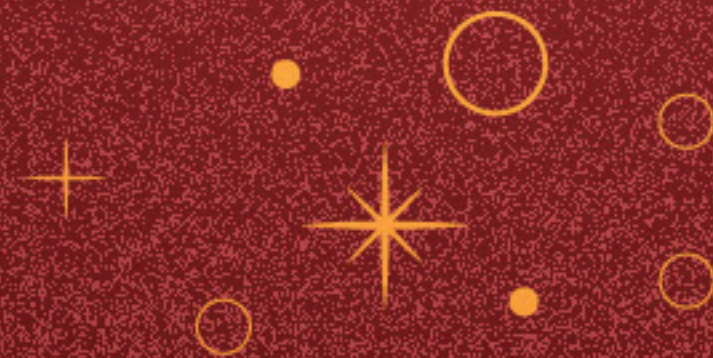
“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.”



²⁵ “Therefore **I tell you**, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?

²⁶ Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your **heavenly Father feeds them**. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?

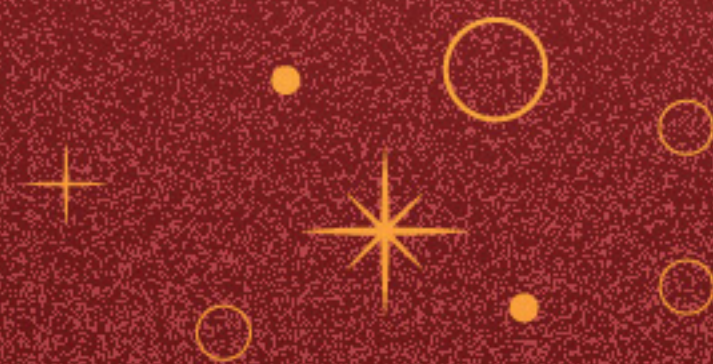
MATTHEW 6:25-33 (ESV)





WHO IS OUR
HEAVENLY FATHER?
HE IS OUR
EVERLASTING FATHER.

MATTHEW 6:25-33





#1 - OUR HEAVENLY FATHER FREES US FROM ANXIETY

MATTHEW 6:25

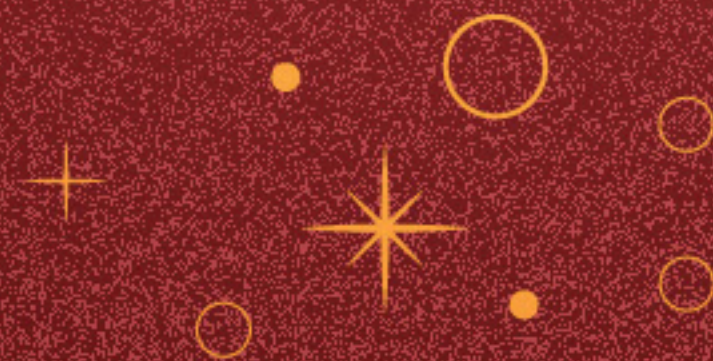
²⁵ “Therefore I tell you, **do not be anxious** about your life, what you will **eat** or what you will **drink**, nor about your **body**, what you will **put on**. Is not life **more than food**, and the **body** more than **clothing**?



²⁷ And **which** of you **by being anxious** can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁸ And **why are you anxious** about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.



MATTHEW 6:27-28

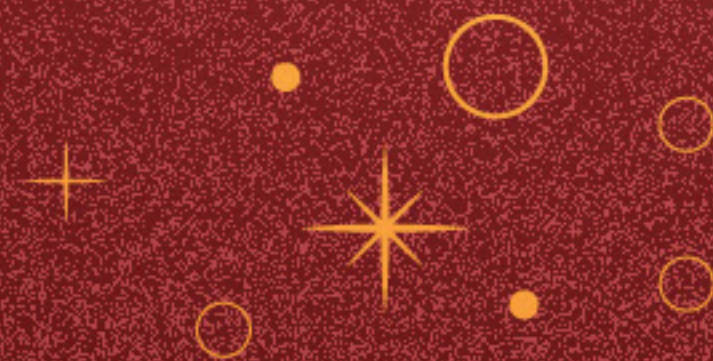




³¹ Therefore **do not be anxious**, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ³² For the Gentiles **seek** after all these things, and **your heavenly Father** knows that you need them all.



MATTHEW 6:31-32



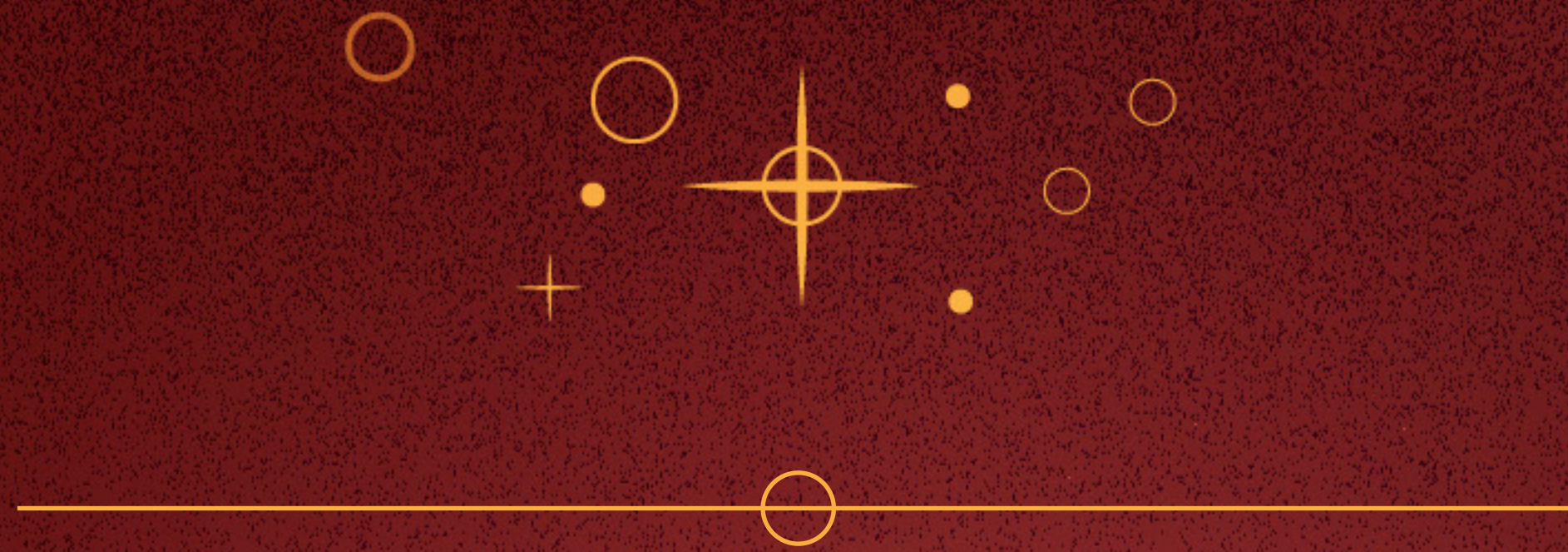


#2 - OUR HEAVENLY FATHER KNOWS AND VALUES US

MATTHEW 6:25-26

²⁵ “Therefore **I tell you**, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life **more than food**, and the **body** more than **clothing**?

²⁶ Look at **the birds** of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. **Are you not of more value than they?**

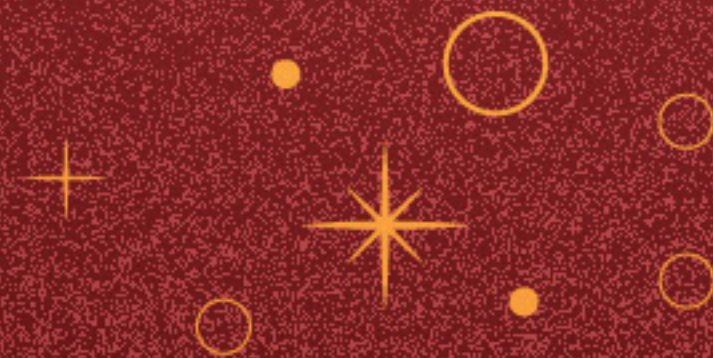


²⁸ And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider **the lilies** of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

³⁰ But if God so clothes **the grass** of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, **will he not much more** clothe you, O you of little faith?



MATTHEW 6:28-30





#3 - OUR HEAVENLY FATHER PROVIDES FOR OUR NEEDS

MATTHEW 6:31-32

³¹ Therefore **do not be anxious**, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'

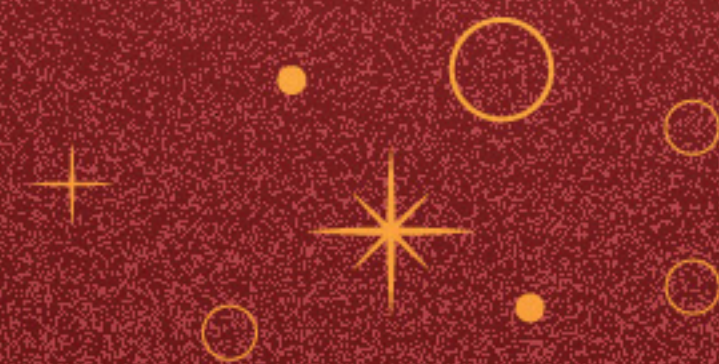
³² For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and **your heavenly Father knows that you need them all.**

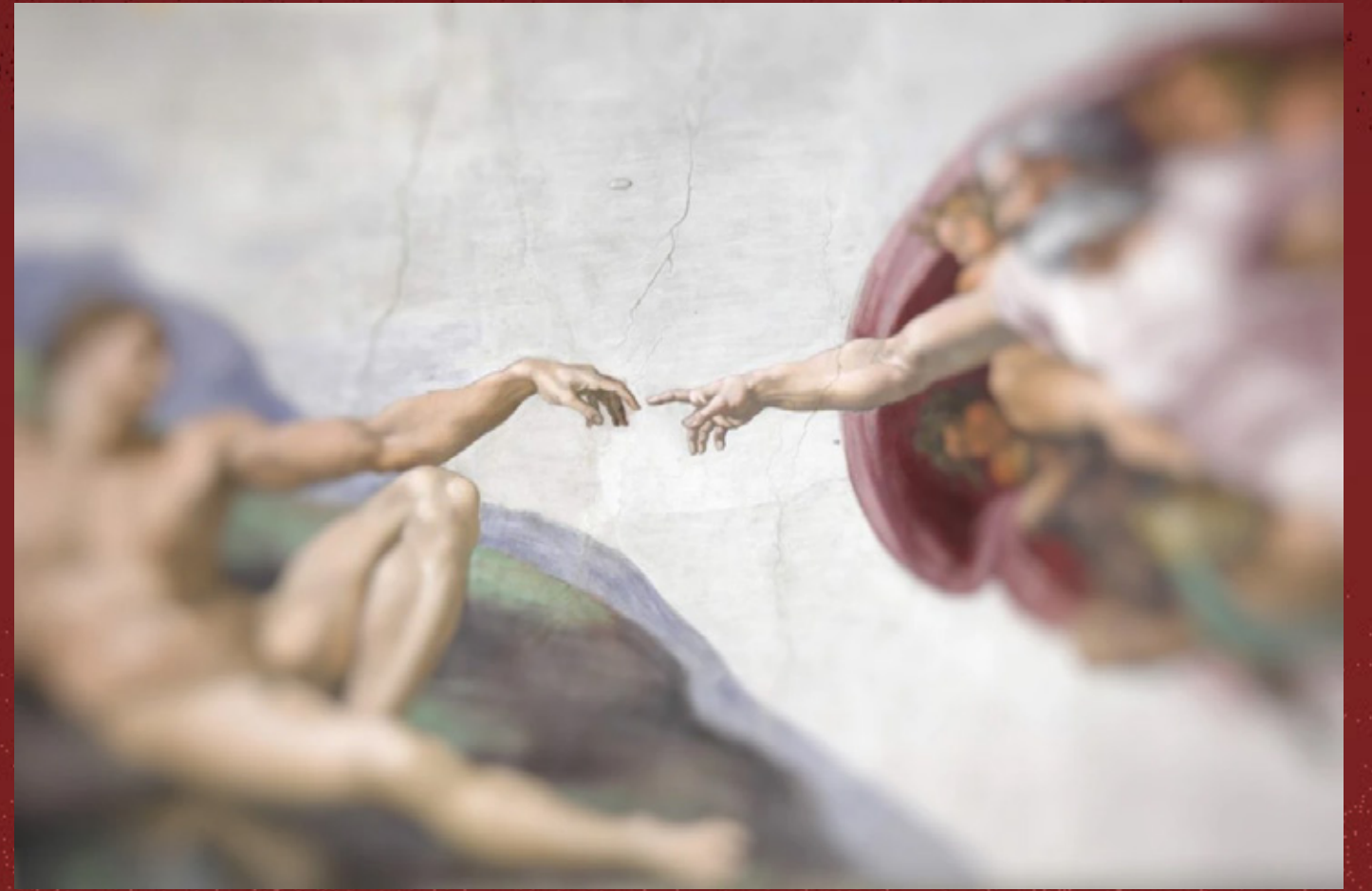


“His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence.”



2 PETER 1:3 (ESV)







SO WHAT DO WE DO?

MATTHEW 6:33 (ESV)

³³ But **seek first the kingdom of God** and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.



WE RESPOND WITH THESE 3 STEPS:

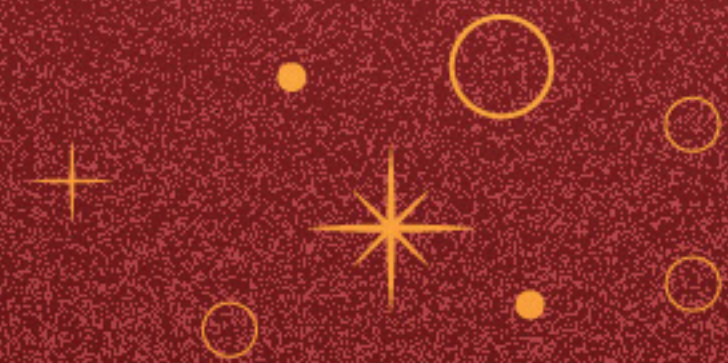
1 - WE **SEEK** HIM


2 - WE **TRUST** HIM

3 - WE **CELEBRATE** HIS LOVE



WHAT IS CHRISTMAS
TO YOU TODAY?





WE CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS SO
WE MAY KNOW HIM, EXPERIENCE
HIM, AND RECEIVE HIM AS OUR
PERSONAL LORD AND SAVIOUR.

HE IS OUR WONDERFUL
COUNSELOR, MIGHTY GOD,
EVERLASTING FATHER,
AND PRINCE OF PEACE.

