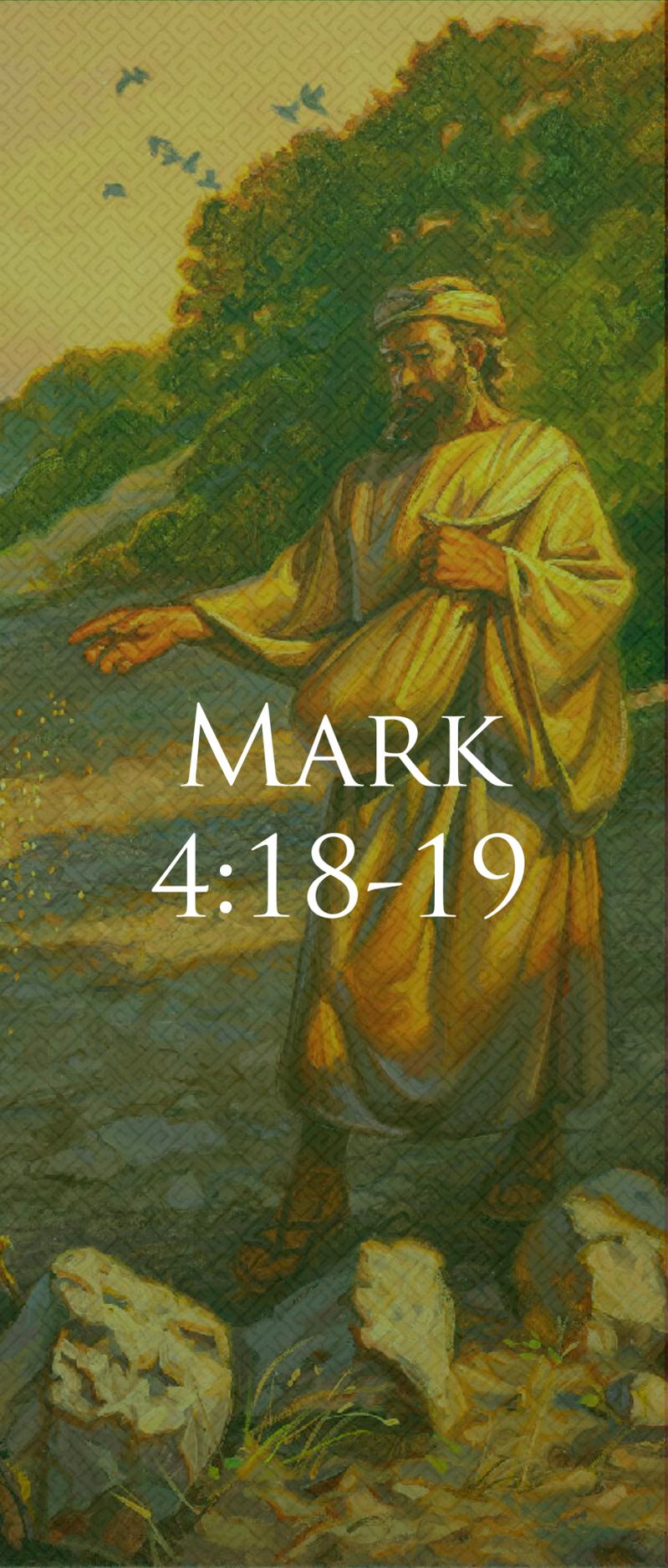


# “Mastering Money”

Matt 19:16-22





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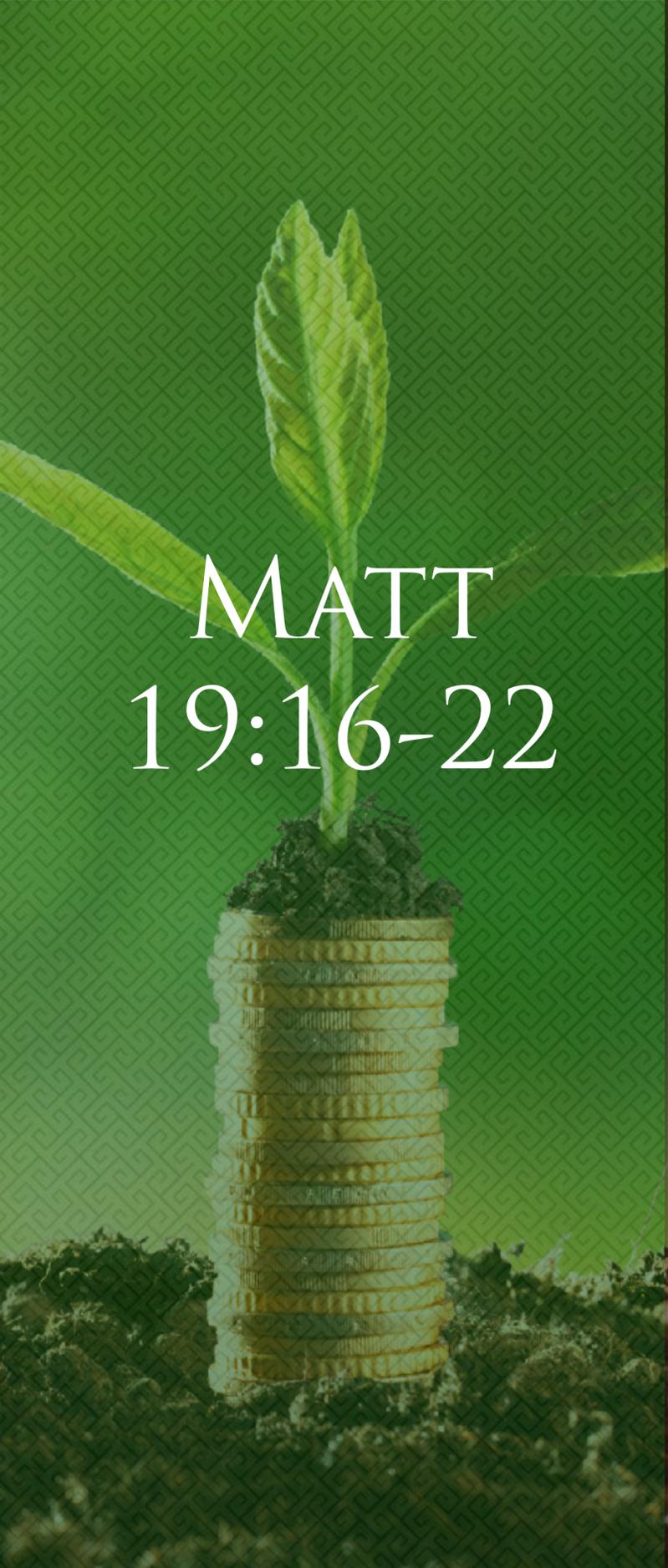
Still others, like seed sown among thorns, hear the word; but **the worries of this life, the deceitfulness of wealth and the desires for other things** come in and choke the word, making it unfruitful.

We place our faith in money because it promises us contentment, comfort and control, but God wants us to seek these things in Him because ultimately they can only be found in Him alone.





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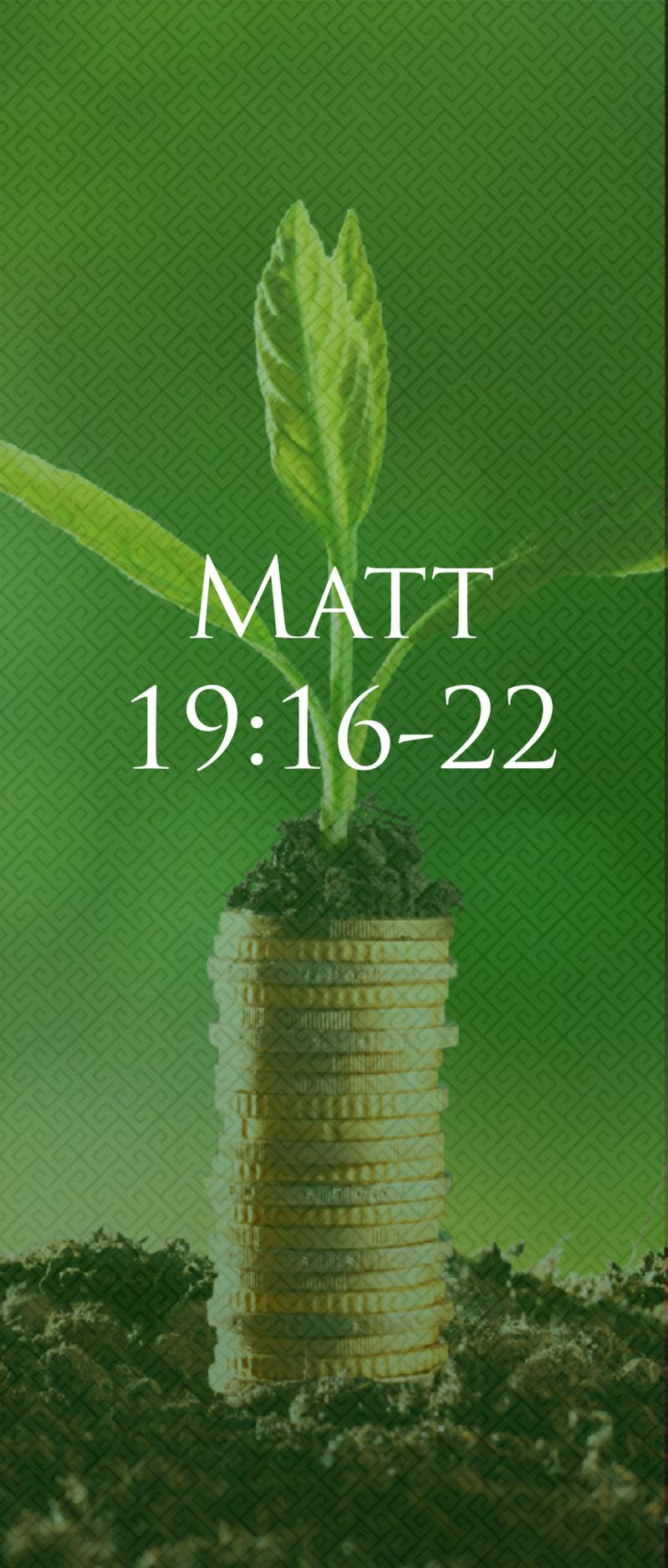
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Just then a man came up to Jesus and asked, “Teacher, what good thing must I do to get eternal life?”

“Why do you ask me about what is good?” Jesus replied. “There is only One who is good. If you want to enter life, keep the commandments.”

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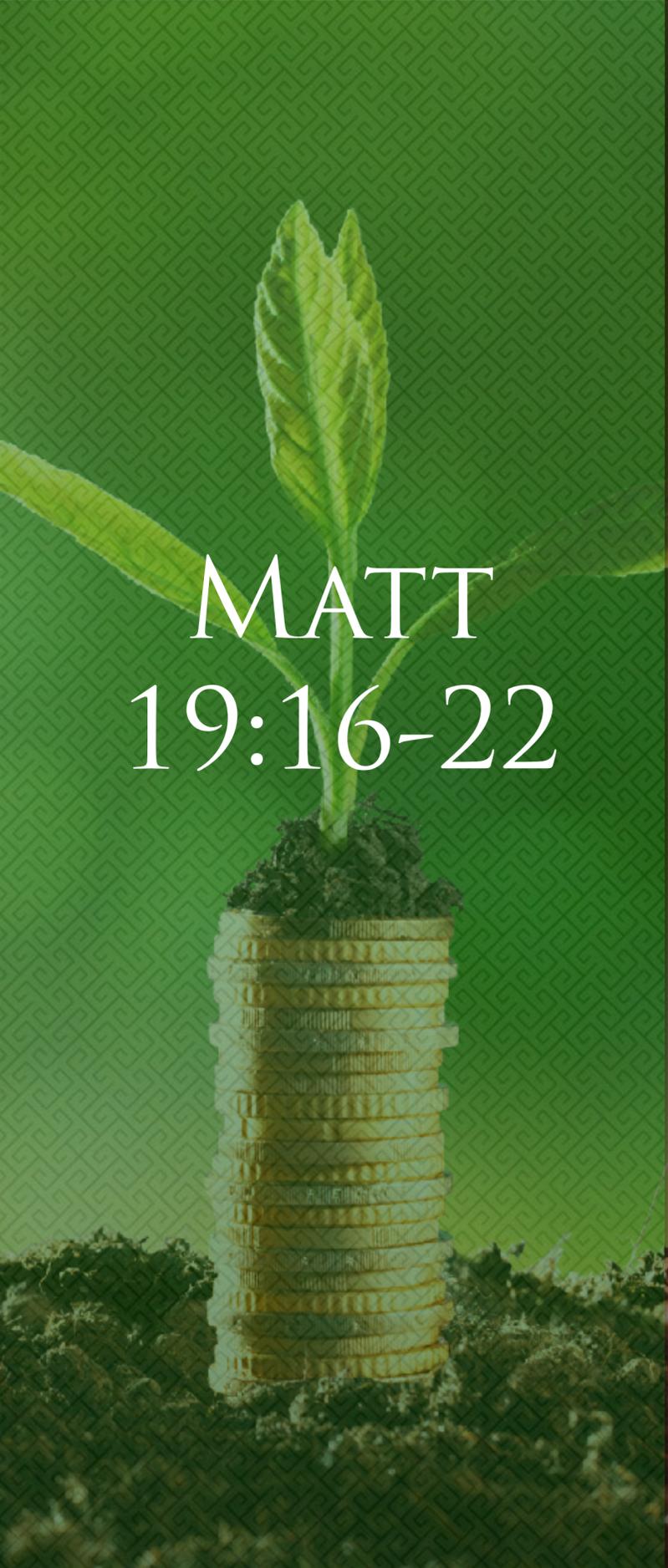
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When the young man heard this, he went away sad, because he had great wealth.

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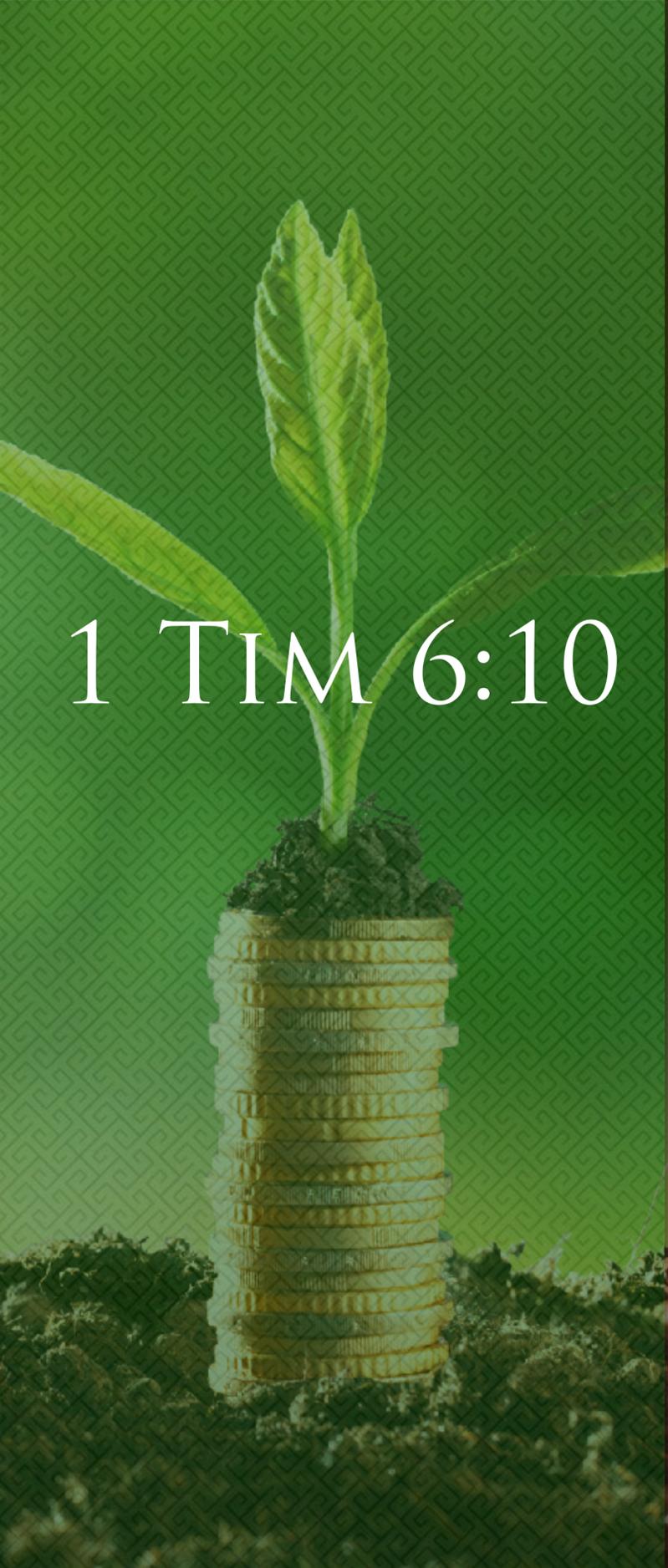
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1 TIM 6:10

For the **love of money** is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

**How do I know if money might  
have a hold of my heart?**

# When money might have a hold of your heart...

1. You incur debt you cannot manage to purchase things you cannot afford
2. Making more money does not make you more grateful or generous but more proud and stingy
3. Your first thought upon earning a raise is planning on how to spend it on yourself

# When money might have a hold of your heart...

4. You can give sporadically because it makes you feel good but cannot give sacrificially because it makes you feel bad
5. Your kids grades or college admissions (future earning potential) stresses you out or causes you to put undue pressure on your children
6. When you cannot receive a financial gift or help from others without feeling insecure or indebted

## **When money might have a hold of your heart...**

7. You look down on those who have less as lazy or judge those who ask for help as entitled
8. You look down on those who have more as ungodly and judge them by how they spend their money
9. A dispute over money has caused you to break off a relationship with a friend or family member
10. You are envious of others who have more or ashamed that you don't have as much

1. All I have comes from God and belongs to God and I am just His humble steward. **SO BE FAITHFUL.**

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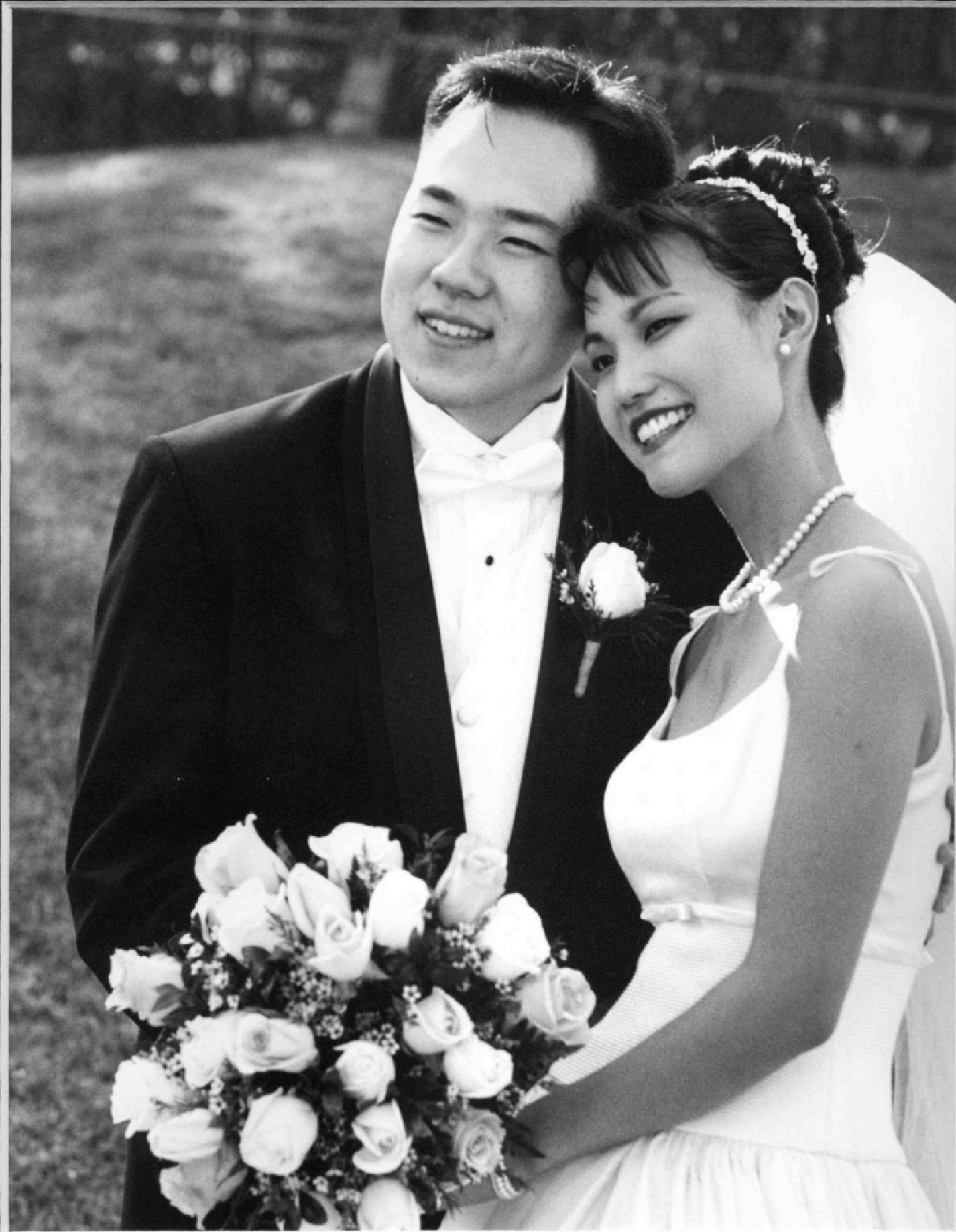
1 COR 4:7

For who makes you different from anyone else? What do you have that you did not receive? And if you did receive it, why do you boast as though you did not?

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DEUT  
8:17-18

You may say to yourself, “My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me.” But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today.



### *Our Vows*

*"I take you Kimberly to be my wife from this day forward, to join with you and to share all that the Lord has planned for us: to give and to receive from His hand. I promise to love even as Christ loved the Church and gave Himself up for her. I will honor and respect you and promise to provide the leadership to establish our home under the Lordship of Christ as we serve Him together to the Glory of God."*

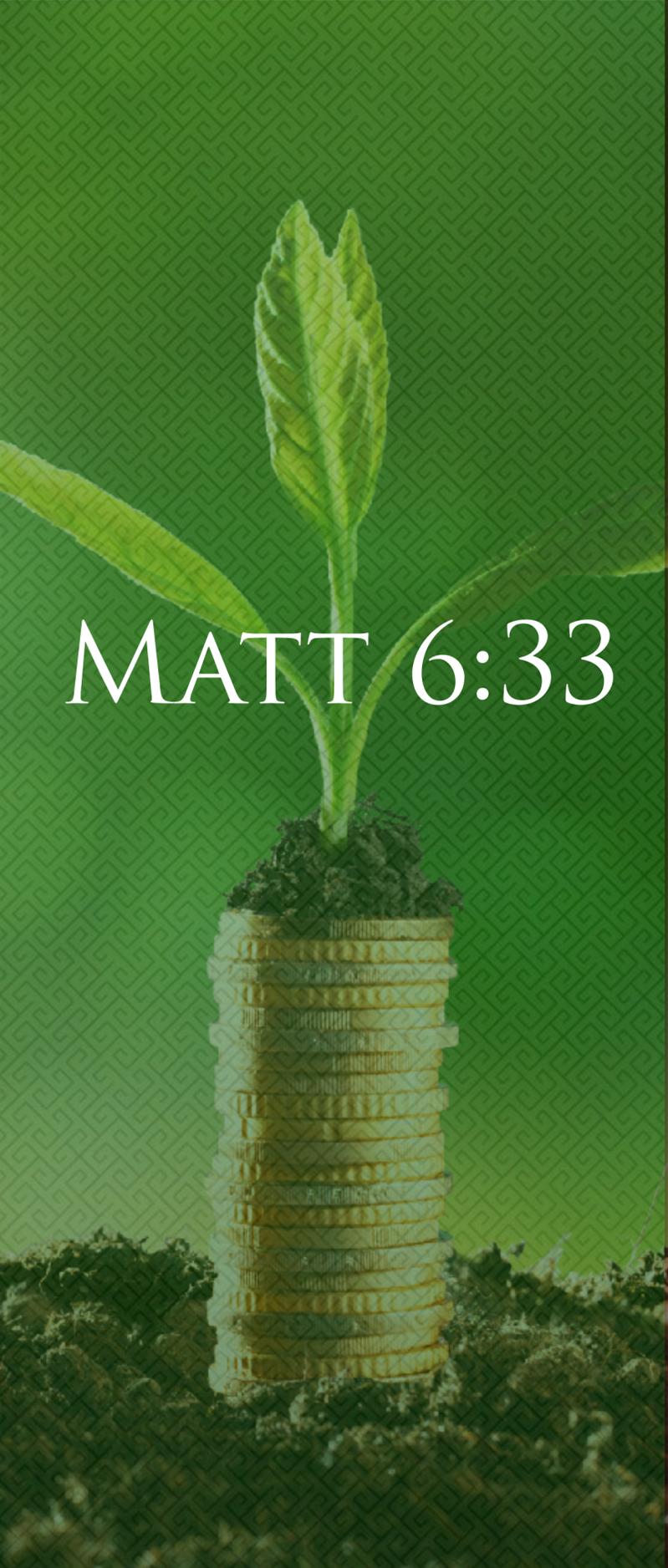
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MATT 6:33

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.



**2. Freedom over the bondage of  
money can only be found in surrender.  
SO BE GENEROUS.**



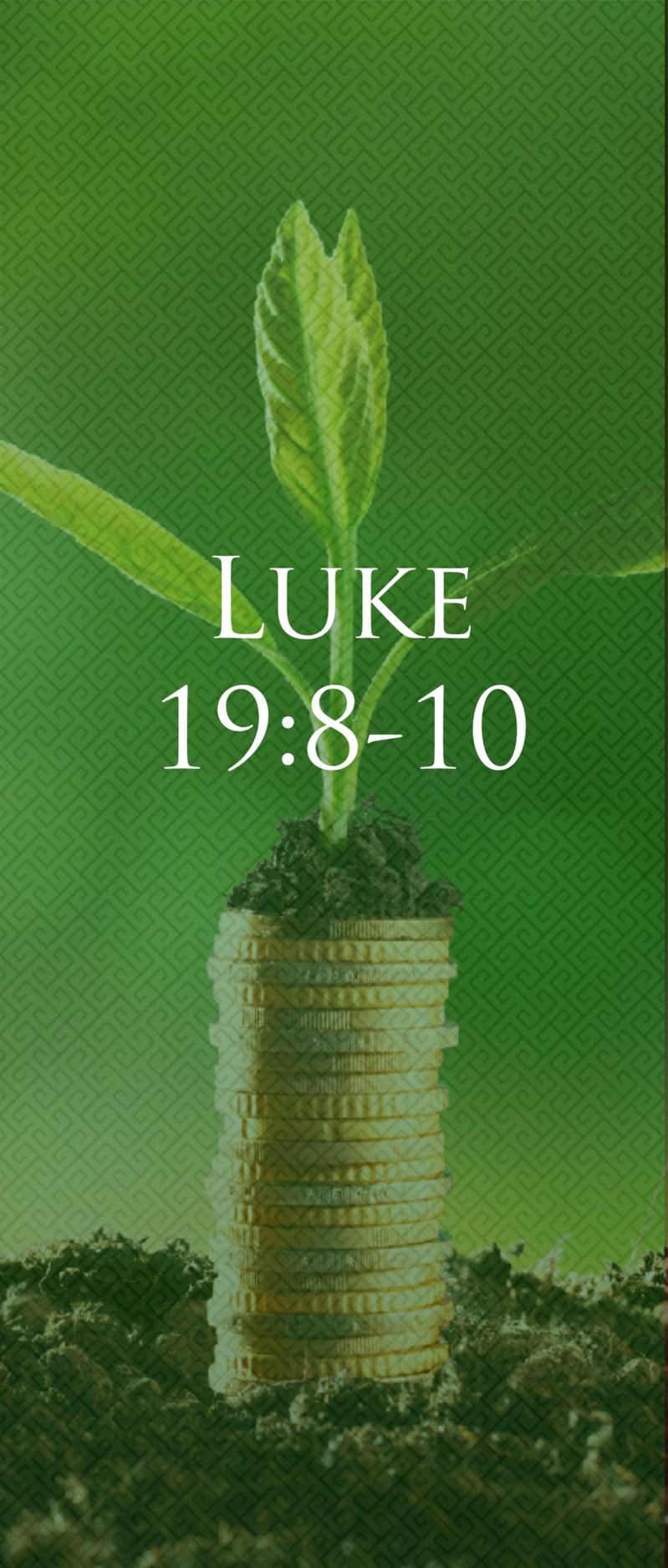
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LUKE  
19:8-10

But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, “Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.”

Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”

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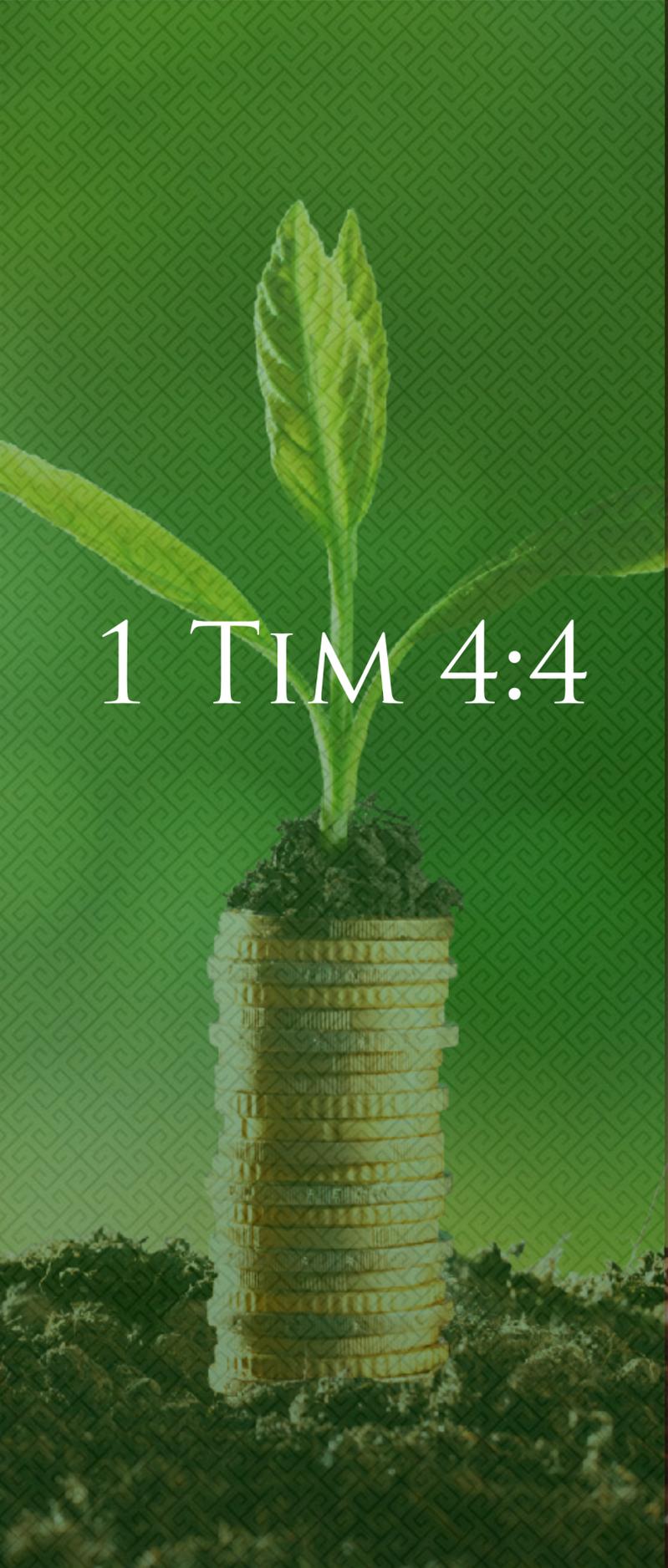
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2. When I can hold a dating relationship with an open hand and fully surrender it to His wisdom and His will for my life.

**3. God has given us life that we might enjoy all things, not all things that we might enjoy life. SO BE GRATEFUL.**

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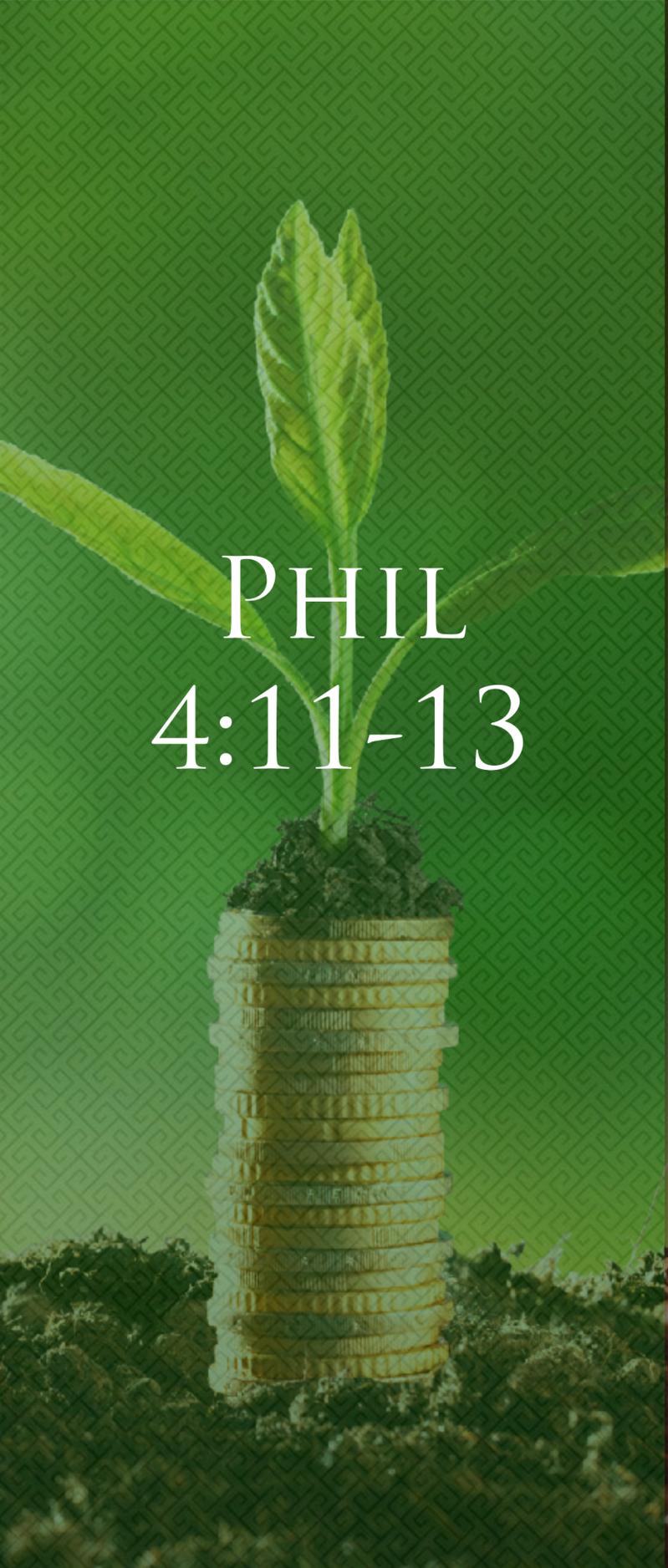
LK 12:15

Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.

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For everything God created is good,  
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PHIL  
4:11-13

I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have **learned the secret of being content** in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through him who gives me strength.





