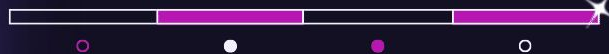




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WHAT IS THE TRUTH?



³³ Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, “Are you the king of the Jews?” ³⁴ “Is that your own idea,” Jesus asked, “or did others talk to you about me?” ³⁵ “Am I a Jew?” Pilate replied. “Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me.

JOHN 18:33-38

What is it you have done?” ³⁶ Jesus said,
“My kingdom is not of this world. If it
were, my servants would fight to prevent
my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But
now my kingdom is from another place.”
³⁷ “You are a king, then!” said Pilate.
Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king.

JOHN 18:33-38

In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.”³⁸ “What is truth?” retorted Pilate. With this he went out again to the Jews gathered there and said, “I find no basis for a charge against him.

JOHN 18:33-38

Society used to believe in
scientific truth.



Society now believes in
self-truth.



Truth is often established on
the weight of human opinions.





³⁴ “Is that your own idea?”

JOHN 18:34a



“Did others talk to you about me?”

JOHN 18:34b

Truth is often based on the
interpretation of limited
information.

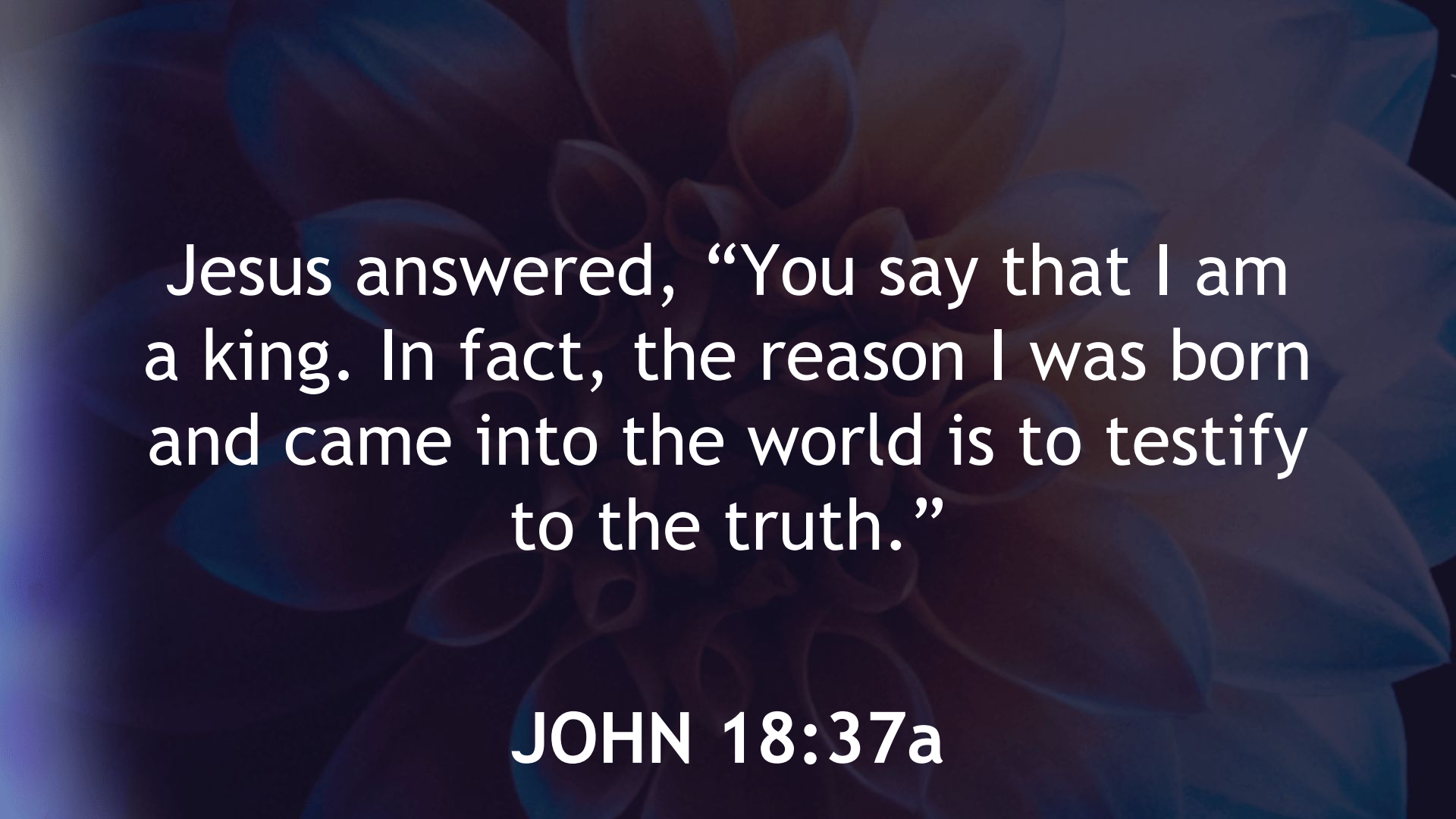


People always “read between the lines” of what is said and not said, and draw conclusions based on half truths rather than the whole truth.




JESUS TESTIFIED TO THE TRUTH





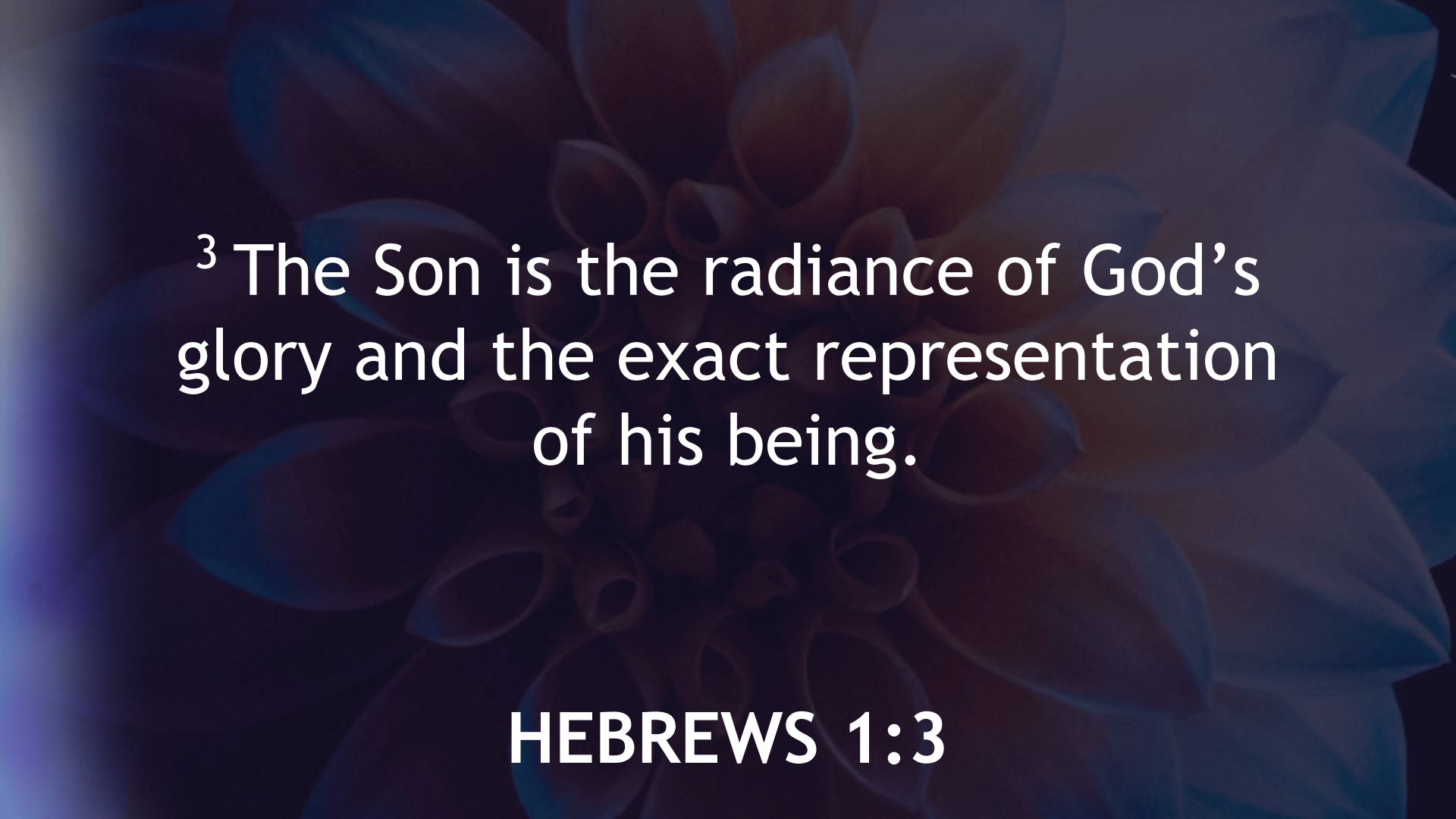
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JOHN 18:37a



¹⁵ The Son is the image of the
invisible God.

COLOSSIANS 1:15



³ The Son is the radiance of God's
glory and the exact representation
of his being.

HEBREWS 1:3

Grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.

JOHN 1:17b-18

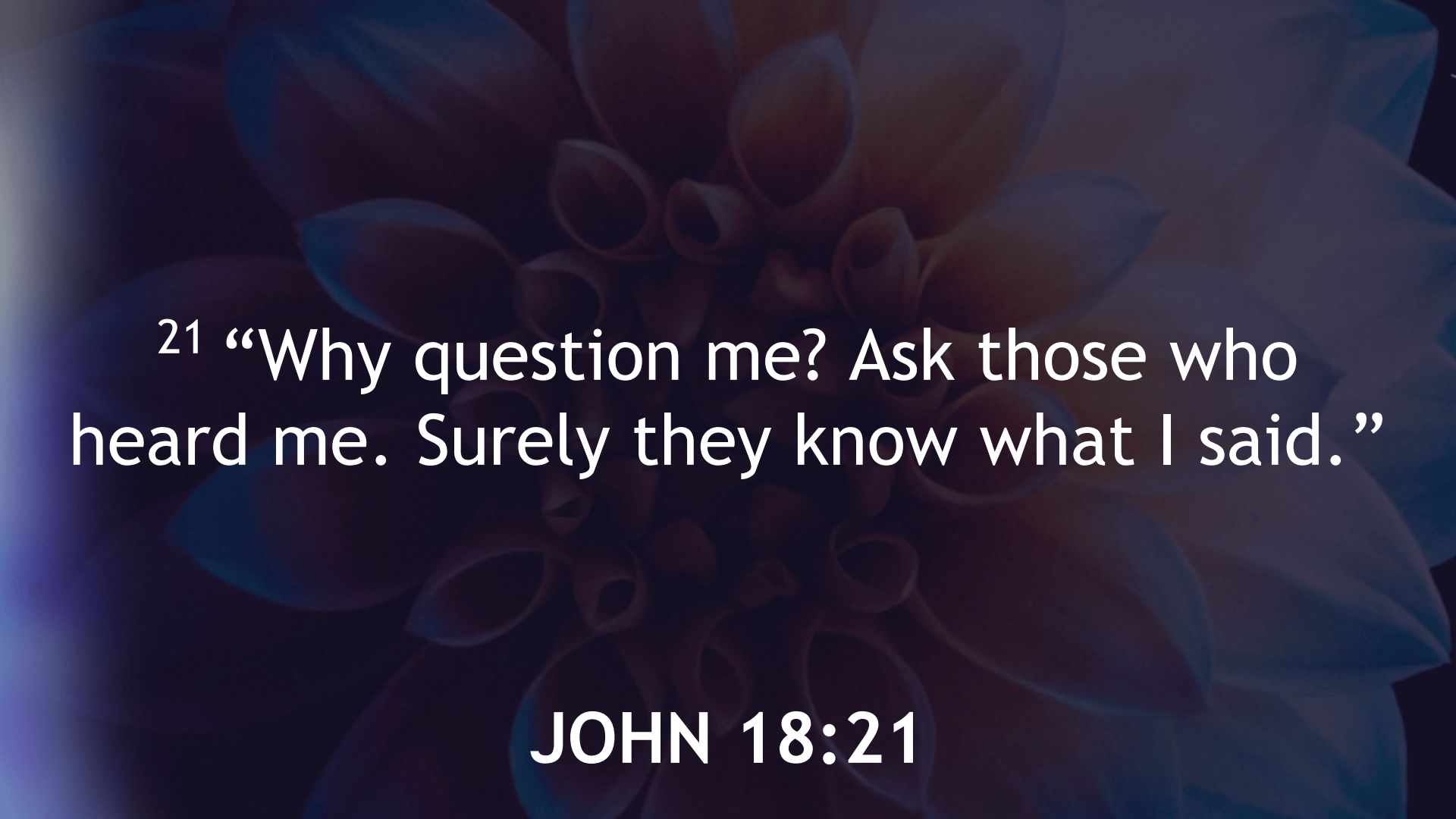
Jesus is the Truth because
He was without sin.





⁴⁶ Can any of you prove me guilty of sin?

JOHN 8:46



²¹ “Why question me? Ask those who heard me. Surely they know what I said.”

JOHN 18:21



²³ “If I said something wrong,” Jesus
replied, “testify as to what is wrong.”

JOHN 18:23

Jesus is the Truth because
He was divine.





“My kingdom is not of this world... But
now my kingdom is from another place.”

JOHN 18:36

Truth became accessible in
Christ at the moment of the
incarnation which we celebrate
at Christmas.



Truth was tested and proven
in Christ at the moment of
the crucifixion and resurrection
which we celebrate at Easter.





CHRISTIANS LISTEN TO THE TRUTH





“Everyone on the side of truth
listens to me.”

JOHN 18:37b

We forget that Jesus' very words are recorded for us in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John and also in the Book of Revelation.

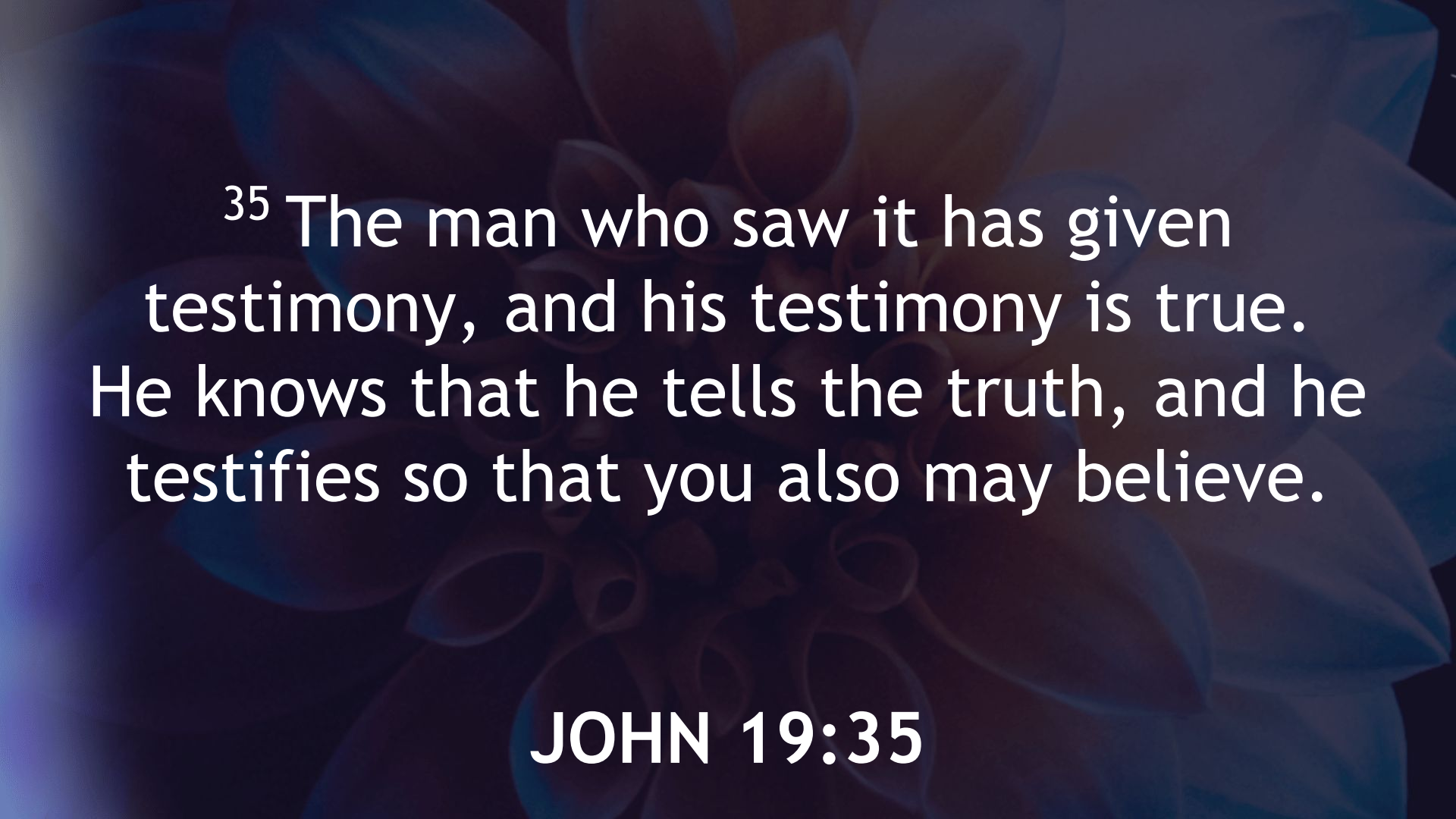


⁶ We are from God, and whoever knows God listens to us; but whoever is not from God does not listen to us. This is how we recognize the Spirit of truth and the spirit of falsehood.

1 JOHN 4:6

The Truth is from Jesus and is
perpetuated by true disciples
of Jesus.





³⁵ The man who saw it has given testimony, and his testimony is true. He knows that he tells the truth, and he testifies so that you also may believe.

JOHN 19:35

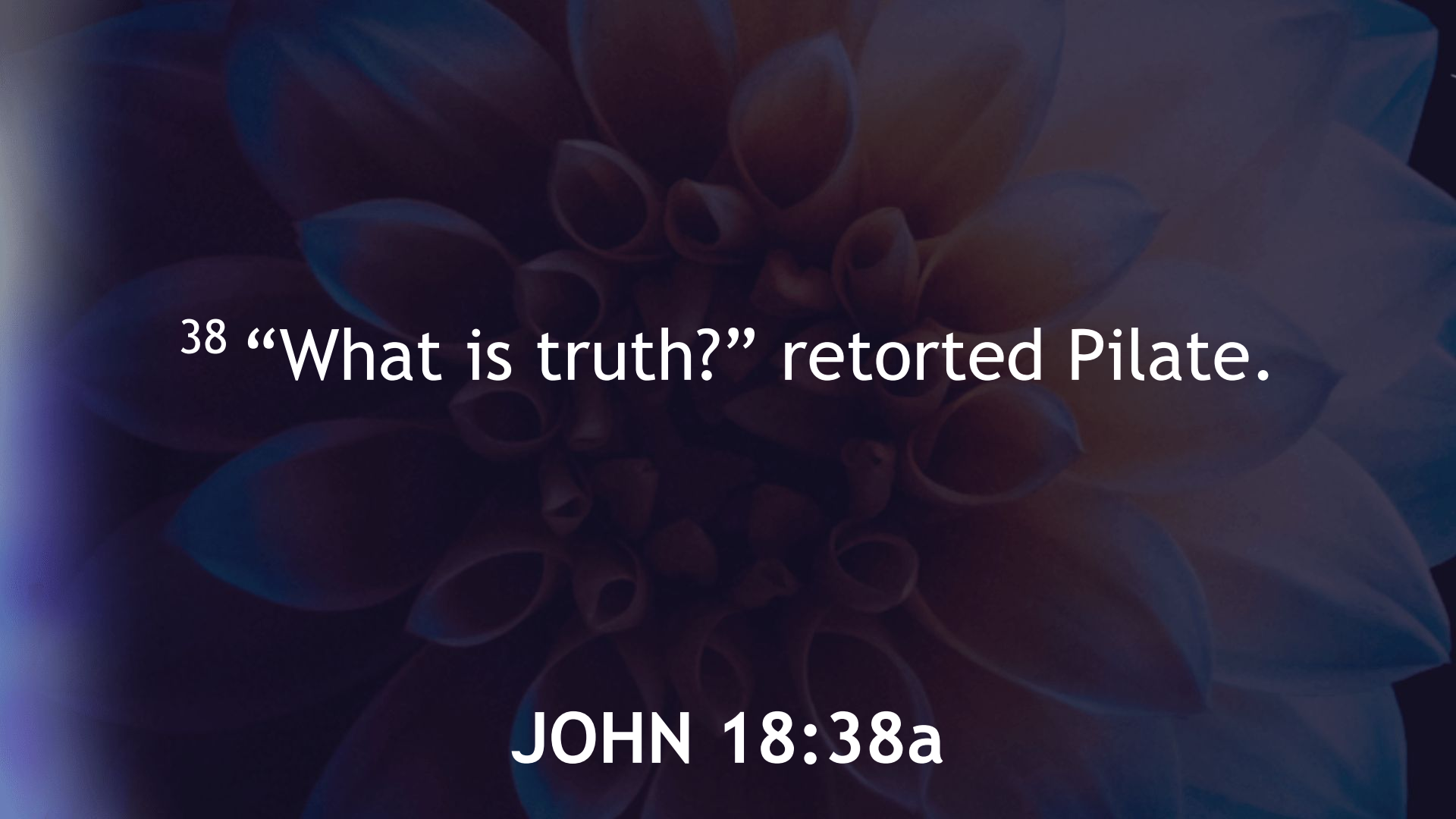
Supposed truth must be tested
against God's Word.



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THE WORLD QUESTIONS THE TRUTH





³⁸ “What is truth?” retorted Pilate.

JOHN 18:38a

“To say there is no absolute truth is in fact to give a truth, absolutely.

- Timothy Keller -

The truth exposes when
and where we were wrong
and everyone is fixated on
being right.



³¹ Pilate said, “Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law.” “But we have no right to execute anyone,” they objected.

JOHN 18:31

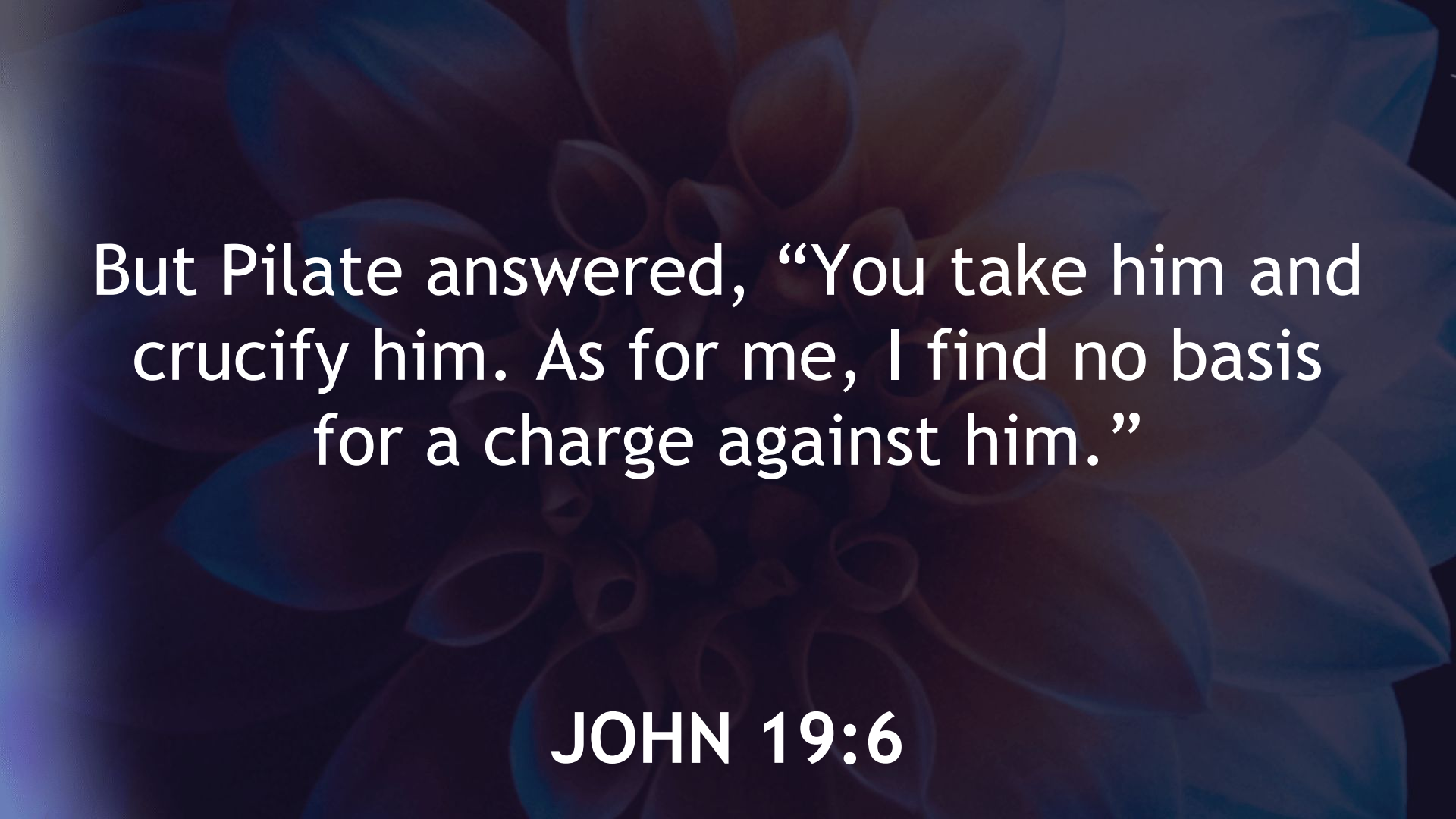


“I find no basis for a charge against him.”

JOHN 18:38b

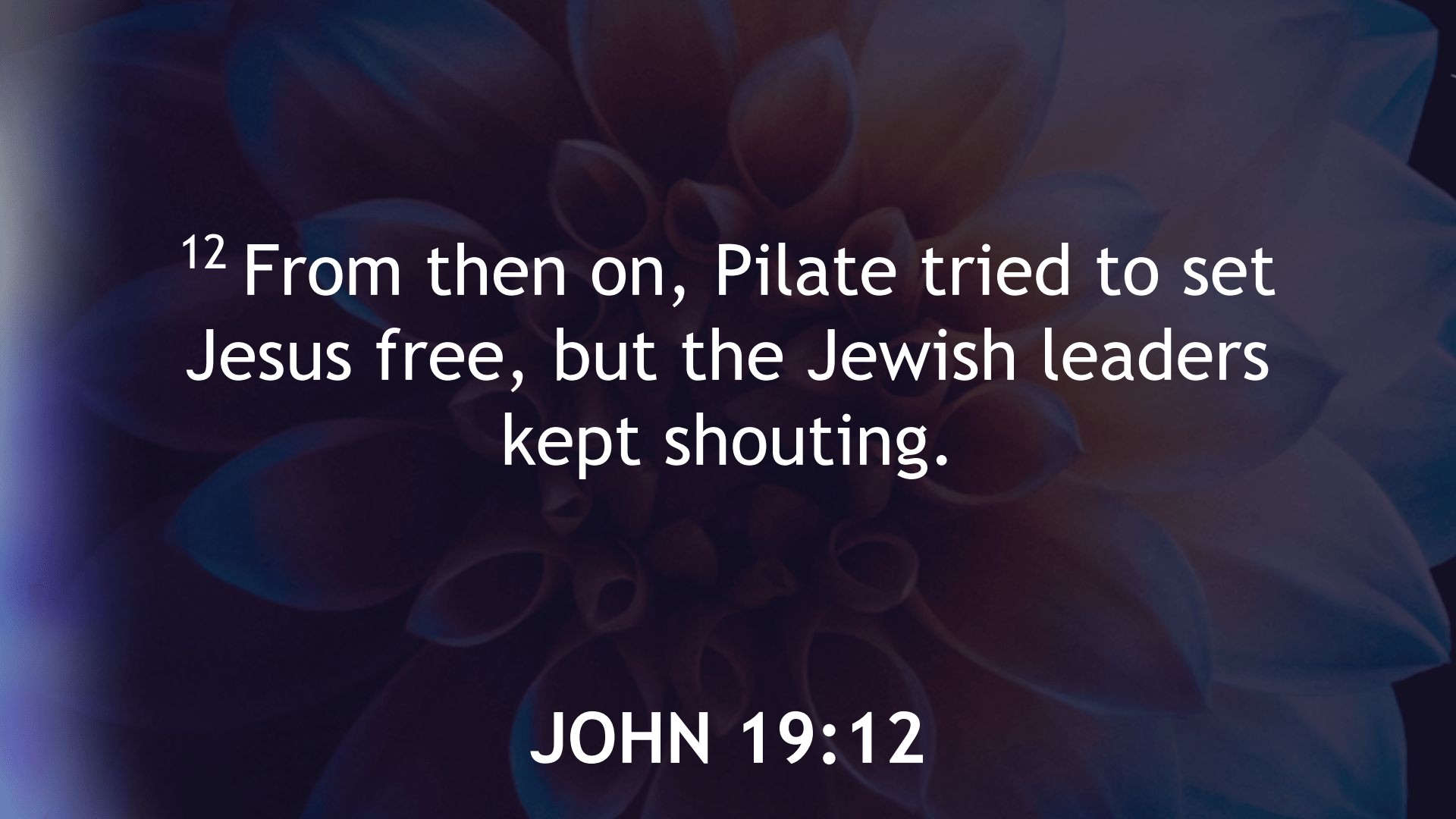
⁴ Once more Pilate came out and said to the Jews gathered there, “Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no basis for a charge against him.”

JOHN 19:4



But Pilate answered, “You take him and crucify him. As for me, I find no basis for a charge against him.”

JOHN 19:6

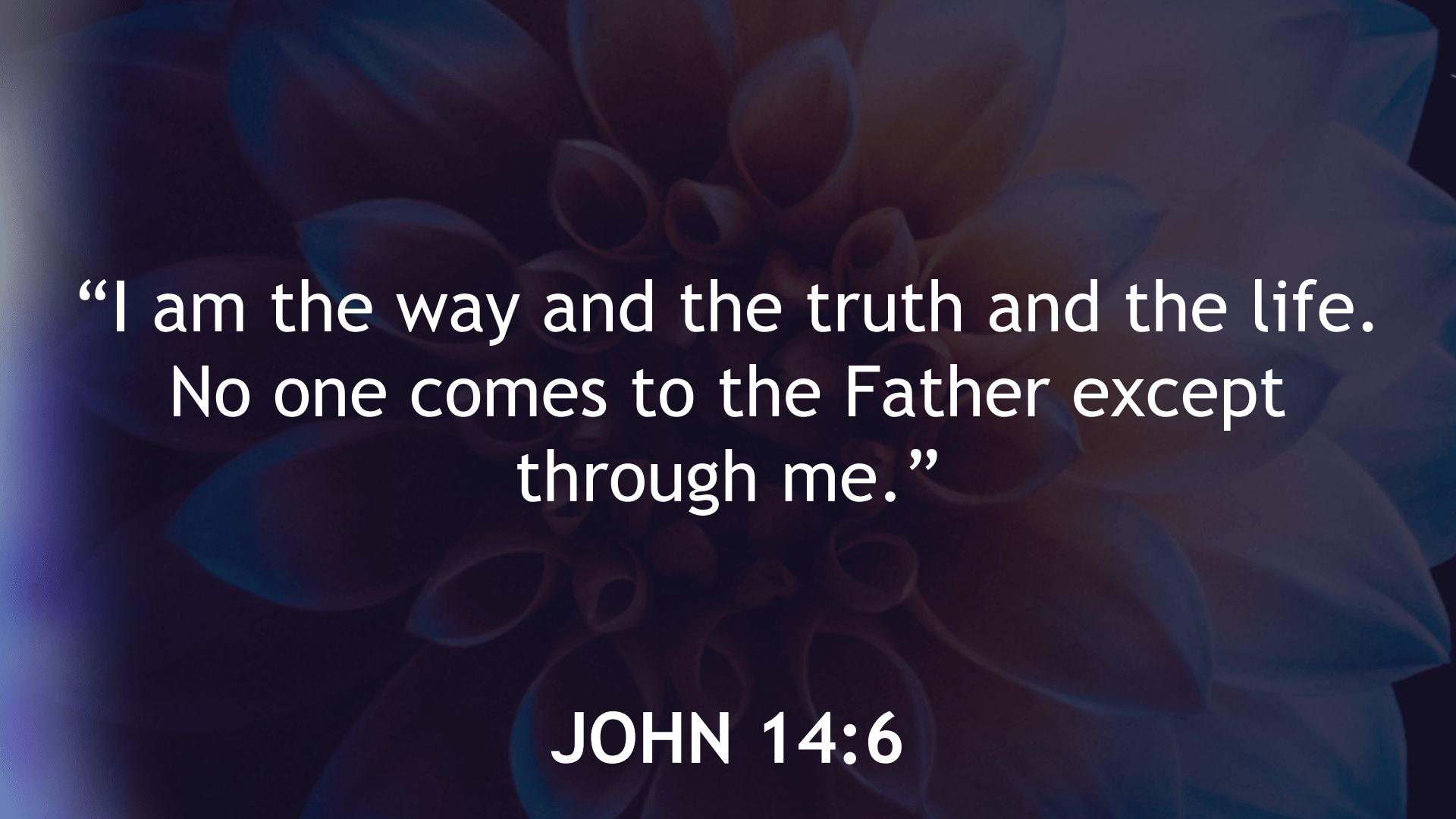


¹² From then on, Pilate tried to set Jesus free, but the Jewish leaders kept shouting.

JOHN 19:12

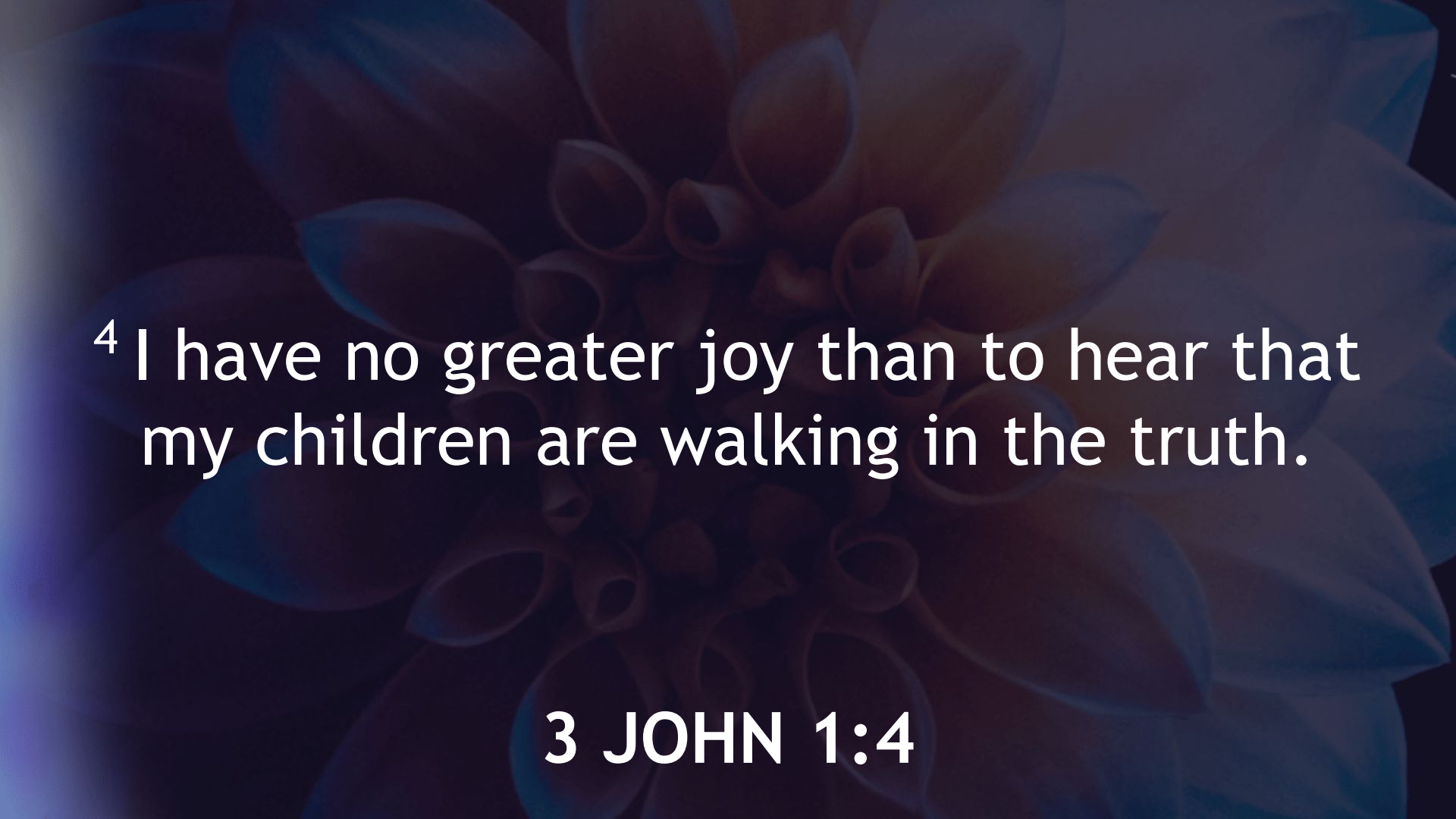
Truth is found in a person
and His name is Jesus.





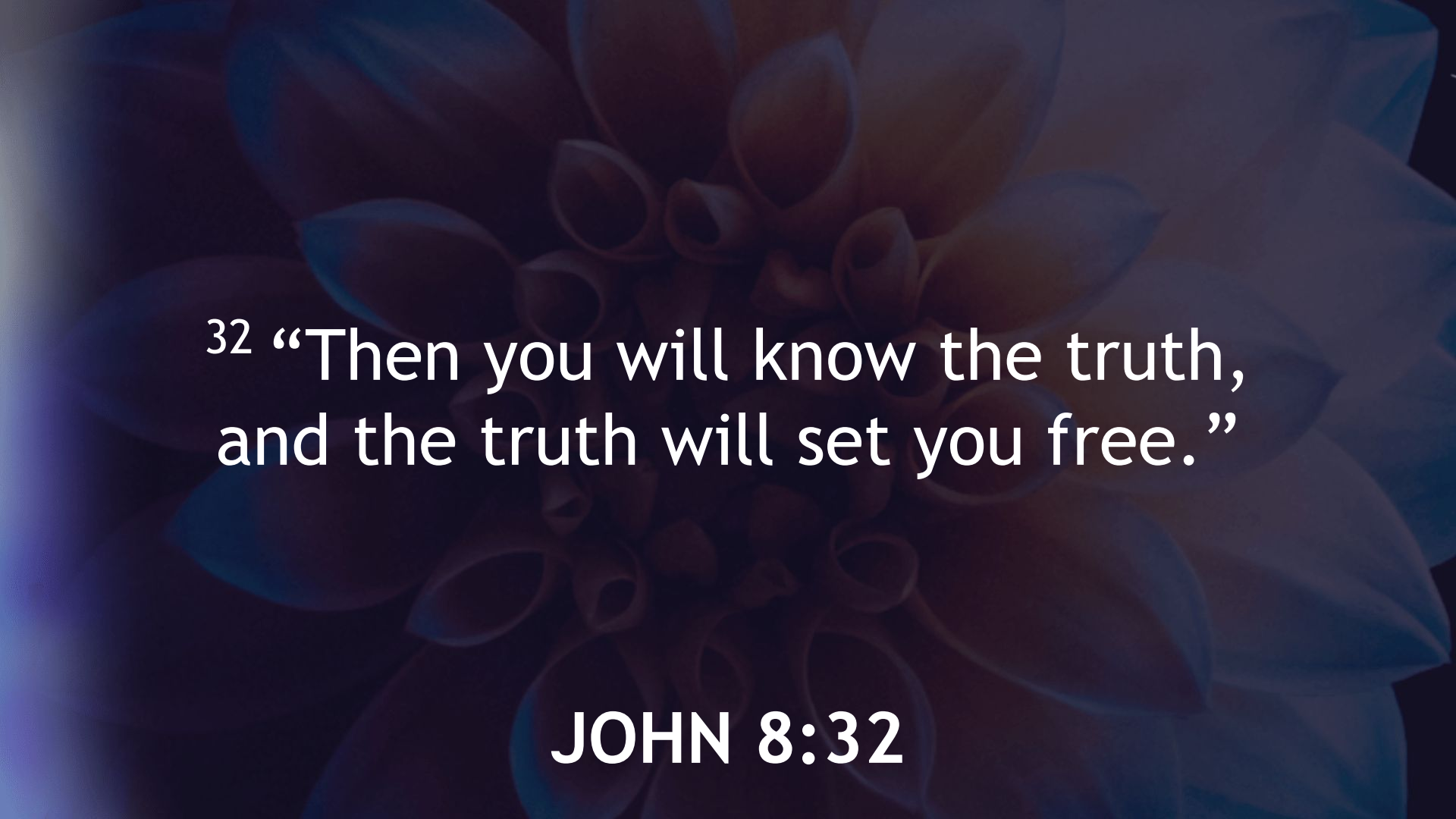
“I am the way and the truth and the life.
No one comes to the Father except
through me.”

JOHN 14:6



⁴ I have no greater joy than to hear that
my children are walking in the truth.

3 JOHN 1:4



³² “Then you will know the truth,
and the truth will set you free.”

JOHN 8:32

Barabbas' name means "Bar"
(Son of) + "Abbas" (the Father).

You can become a son or
daughter of the Father
through Jesus Christ.



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