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# Messy Church Series

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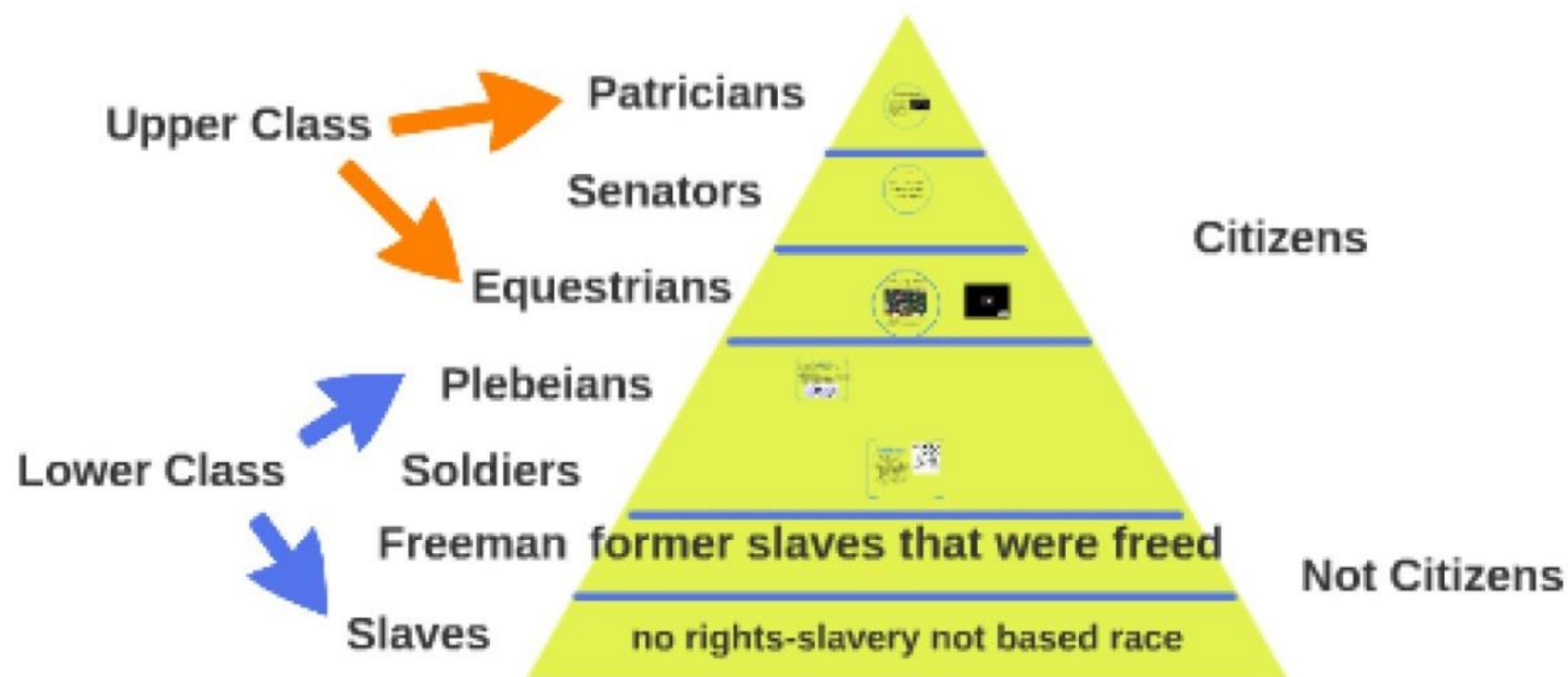
*Who Are You To Judge?*  
*1 Corinthians 4:1-7*

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Objective: To understand the Social Classes of the Roman Empire

## The Roman Empire-Social Structure





**CAN ANYTHING BE MORE EXCELLENT  
THAN THIS PRACTICE OF THOROUGHLY  
SIFTING THE WHOLE DAY? AND HOW  
DELIGHTFUL THE SLEEP THAT FOLLOWS  
THIS SELF-EXAMINATION – HOW  
TRANQUIL IT IS,**



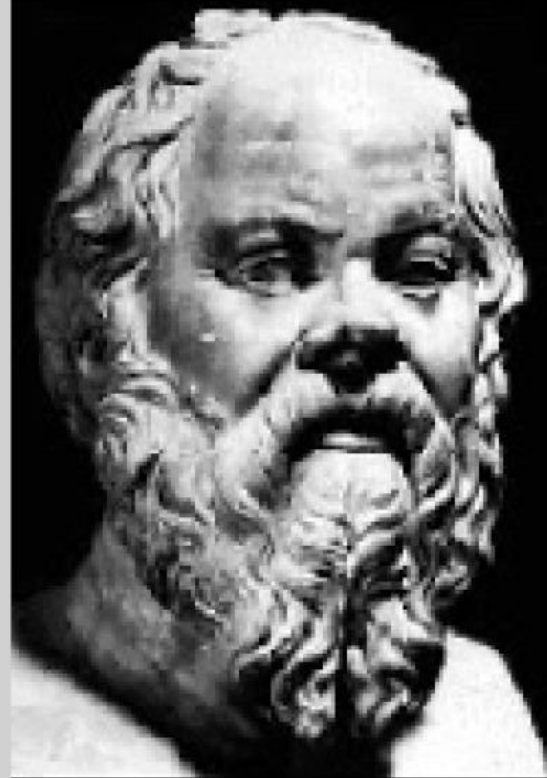
**HOW DEEP AND UNTROUBLED, WHEN THE  
SOUL HAS EITHER PRAISED OR  
ADMONISHED ITSELF, AND WHEN THIS  
SECRET EXAMINER AND CRITIC OF SELF  
HAS GIVEN REPORT OF ITS OWN  
CHARACTER!**



**I AVAIL MYSELF OF THIS  
PRIVILEGE, AND EVERY DAY I  
PLEAD MY CAUSE BEFORE THE  
BAR OF SELF. (DE IRA 3.36.2-3)**

**- SENECA**

NAVEL GAZING



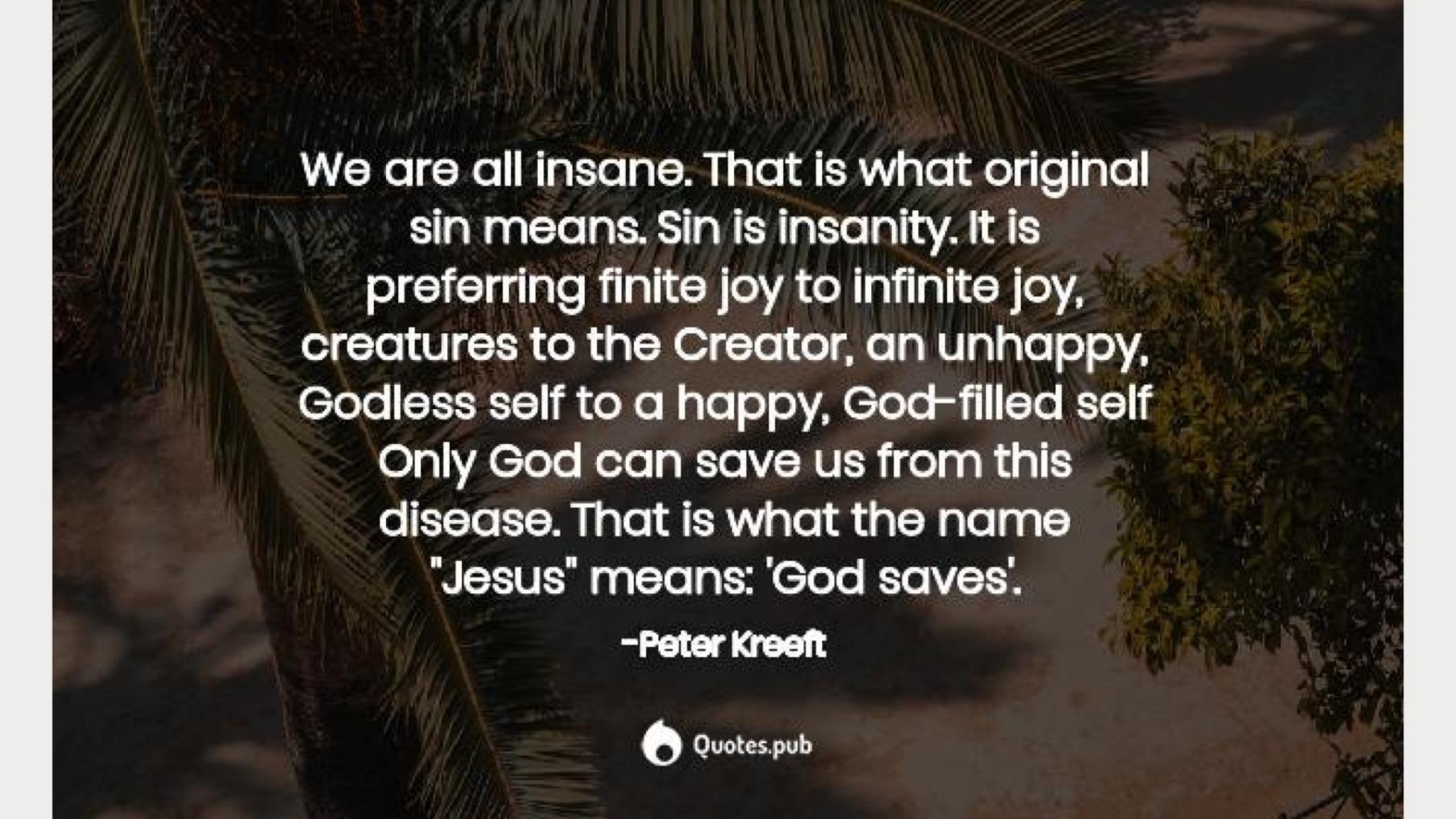
*“An unexamined life  
is not worth living”*

*-Socrates*



# THE PROBLEM





We are all insane. That is what original sin means. Sin is insanity. It is preferring finite joy to infinite joy, creatures to the Creator, an unhappy, Godless self to a happy, God-filled self. Only God can save us from this disease. That is what the name "Jesus" means: 'God saves'.

**-Peter Kreeft**



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**WORSHIP OF A  
HUMAN=IDOLATRY**



The background of the image is a dark, low-key photograph of yellow wildflowers. The flowers are in various stages of bloom, with some showing distinct petals and centers. The lighting is dramatic, with the flowers appearing as bright yellow against a deep blue and black background. The overall mood is contemplative and artistic.

The fear of man, the trust in man, the deference to  
the opinion of man, is the merest worship of a  
rag-stuffed idol.

GEORGE MACDONALD - QUOTESTATSCOM

**FREE GRACE**



**If we are saved by grace alone,  
this salvation is a constant  
source of amazed delight.**

**Nothing is mundane or matter-  
of-fact about our lives. It is a  
miracle we are Christians, and  
the gospel, which creates bold  
humility, should give us a far  
deeper sense of humour and joy.**

**We don't take ourselves  
seriously, and we are full of  
hope for the world.**

—Timothy J. Keller

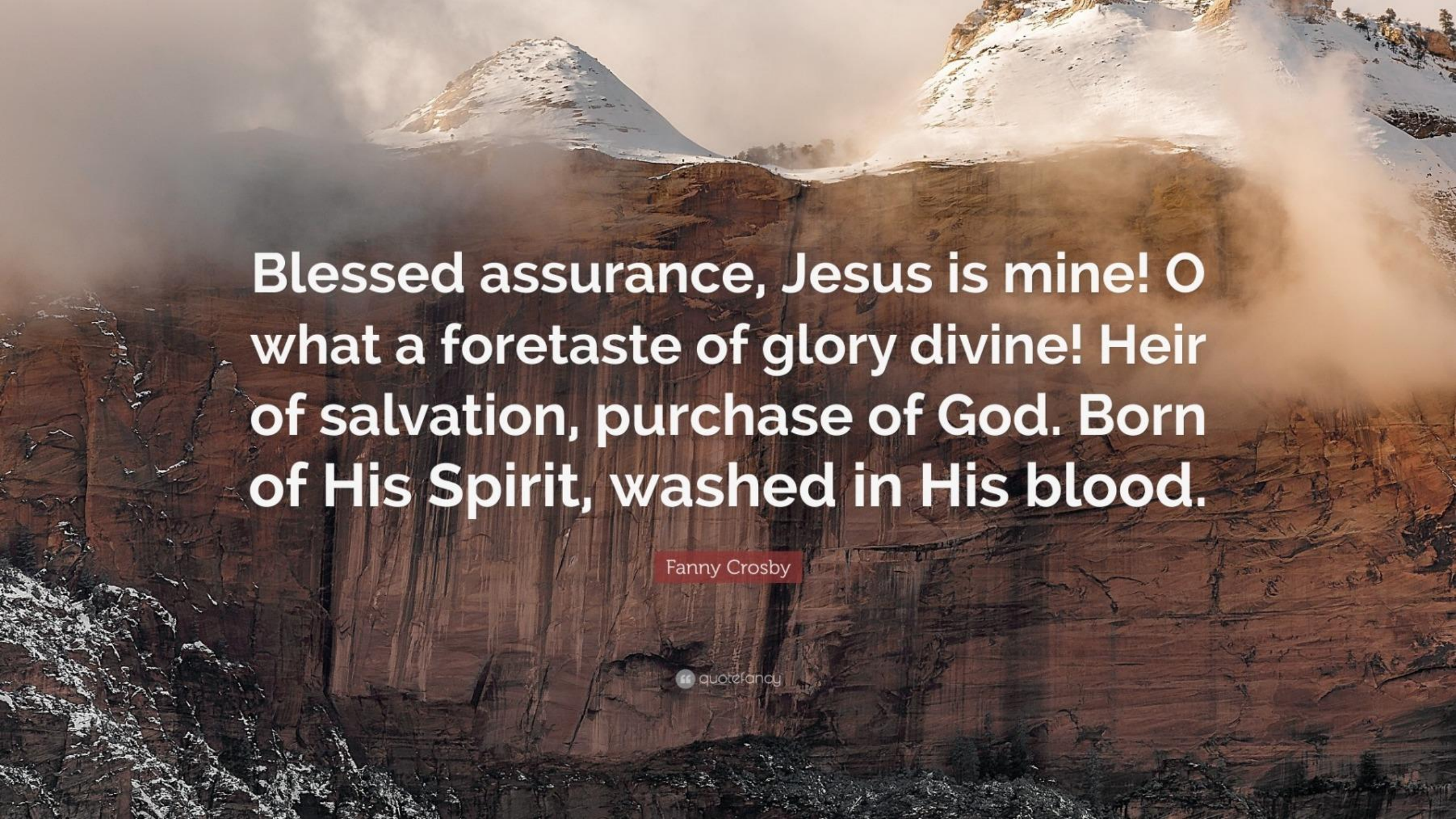
TIMOTHY KELLER

**BLESSED ASSURANCE**









Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O  
what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir  
of salvation, purchase of God. Born  
of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Fanny Crosby

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