



LOVE FOR THE GOD OF

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

JOHN 4:43-48

After the two days he left for Galilee. (Now Jesus himself had pointed out that a prophet has no honor in his own country.) When he arrived in Galilee, the Galileans welcomed him. They had seen all that he had done in Jerusalem at the Passover Festival, for they also had been there. Once more he visited Cana in Galilee, where he had turned the water into wine. And there was a certain royal official whose son lay sick at Capernaum. When this man heard that Jesus had arrived in Galilee from Judea, he went to him and begged him to come and heal his son, who was close to death. “Unless you people see signs and wonders,” Jesus told him, “you will never believe.”



JOHN 4:49-54

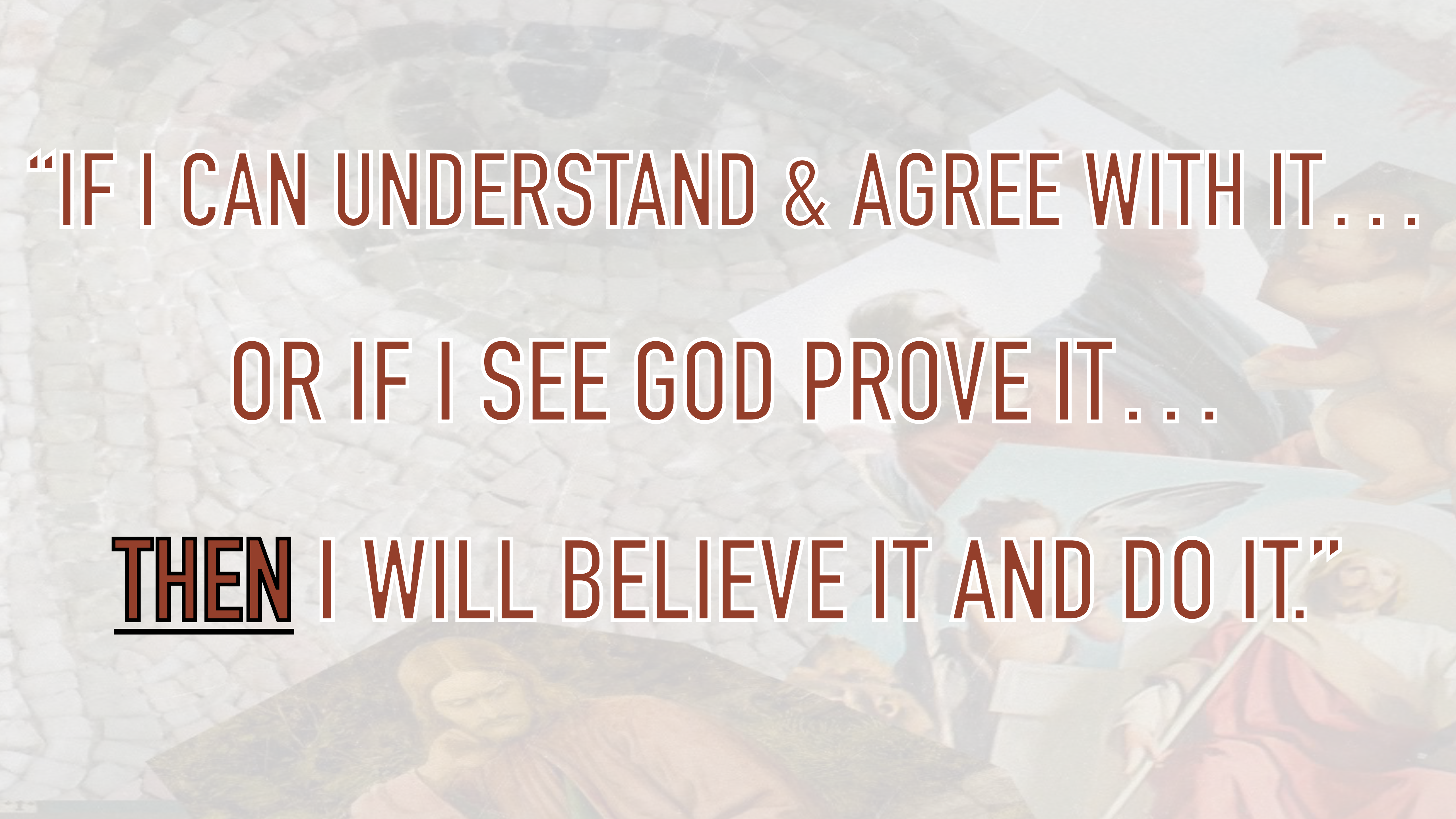
The royal official said, “Sir, come down before my child dies.”

“Go,” Jesus replied, “your son will live.” The man took Jesus at his word and departed. While he was still on the way, his servants met him with the news that his boy was living. When he inquired as to the time when his son got better, they said to him, “Yesterday, at one in the afternoon, the fever left him.” **Then the father realized** that this was the exact time at which Jesus had said to him, “Your son will live.” **So he and his whole household believed.** This was the second sign Jesus performed after coming from Judea to Galilee.



HOW A WORD CAN CHANGE YOUR WORLD

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“IF I CAN UNDERSTAND & AGREE WITH IT....

OR IF I SEE GOD PROVE IT....

THEN I WILL BELIEVE IT AND DO IT.”

JOHN 4:53

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AS A MATTER OF F.A.C.T., THE WORD CAN CHANGE YOUR WORLD:

1. Faith: We take Him at His Word

JOHN 7:16-17

*Jesus answered, “My teaching is not my own. It comes from the one who sent me. Anyone who chooses **to do the will of God will find out** whether my teaching comes from God or whether I speak on my own.*

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**YOU DON'T HAVE TO
KNOW FIRST.
YOU GO FIRST.**

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AS A MATTER OF F.A.C.T., THE WORD CAN CHANGE YOUR WORLD:

1. **F**aith: We **take** **Him** at His **W**ord.

2. **A**ction: We **do** the **W**ord.

AS A MATTER OF F.A.C.T., THE WORD CAN CHANGE YOUR WORLD:

1. **F**aith: We **take Him** at His **Word**.
2. **A**ction: We **do** the **Word**.
3. **C**hange: We experience the **understanding & power** of His **Word**.

HEBREWS 4:12

*For **the word of God is alive and active.** Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.*

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2. **A**ction: We **do** the **Word**.
3. **C**hange: We experience the **understanding & power** of His **Word**.
4. **T**ell: We **share** the Word with **the world**.

START BY TAKING HIM AT HIS WORD:

Change your purpose:

Serving others, especially those in need.

Mark 9:35: “Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all.”

Luke 14:12-14: “When you host a dinner or banquet, don’t only invite your friends, your brothers, your relatives, or your rich neighbors. But, invite the poor, the amputees, the cripples, the blind as well.”

START BY TAKING HIM AT HIS WORD:

Changing my view of **prosperity**:

Spending on the Kingdom

Mark 6:19-20: “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven,

START BY TAKING HIM AT HIS WORD:

Changing my view of **power**:

Seeking to love & forgive those that hurt me

Mark 5:40: "And if someone wants to sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. If someone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles."

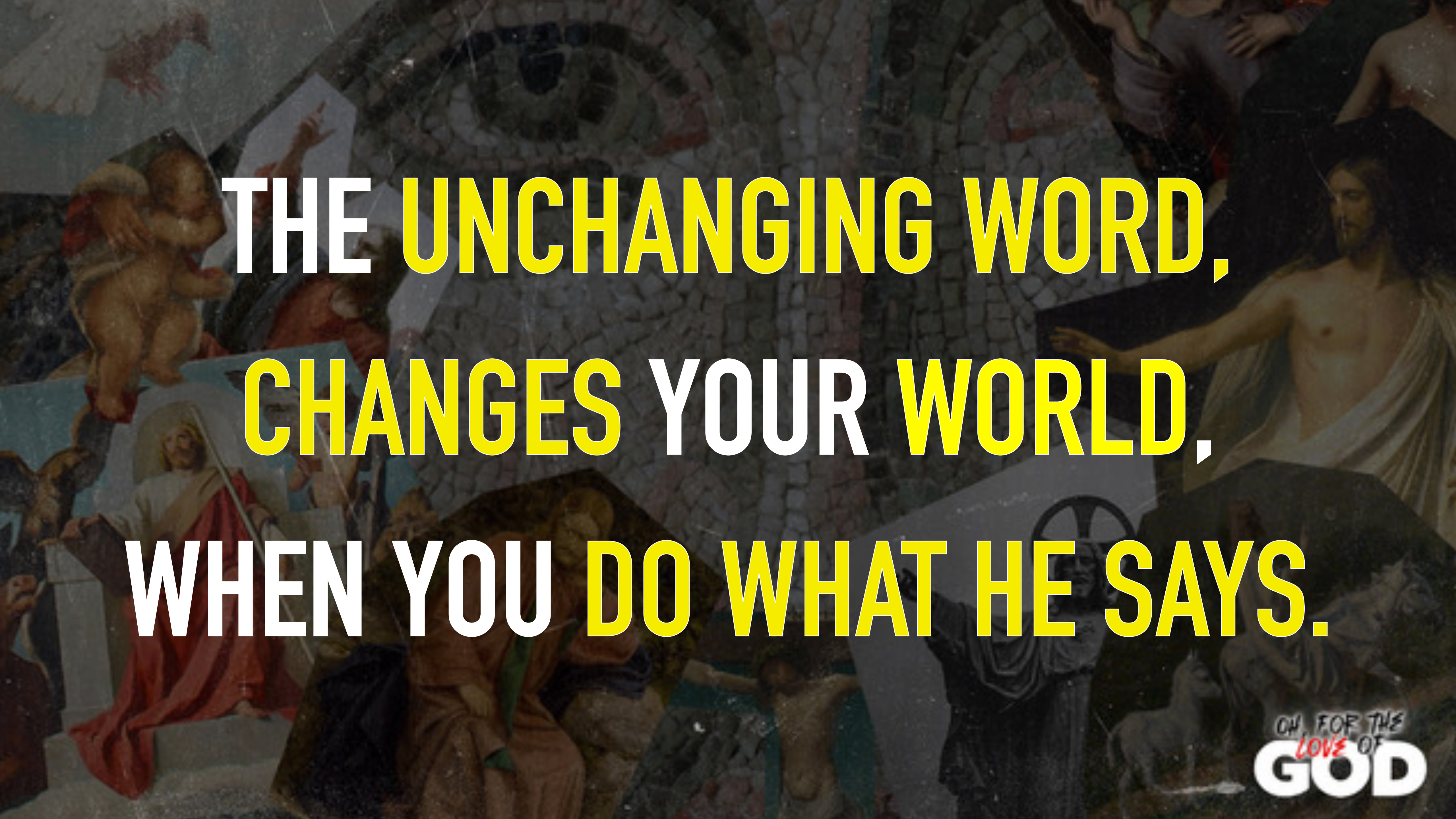
START BY TAKING HIM AT HIS WORD:

Changing my view of **people**:

Staying committed to others with grace.

Luke 9:23: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.

Galatians 6:2: Carry each other’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.



**THE UNCHANGING WORD,
CHANGES YOUR WORLD,
WHEN YOU DO WHAT HE SAYS.**

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START BY TAKING HIM AT HIS WORD:

Change your **Plans**:

Seeking first the Kingdom & His righteousness

Matthew 4:17: Jesus began to preach, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

Acts 2:37-38: “What shall we do?!”... “**Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ** for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.