

*“More Than Conquerors”*

**A Look  
Back**

A close-up of a car's side-view mirror. The mirror's frame is black and curved. Inside the mirror, a road stretches into the distance under a cloudy sky. On the left side of the road, there is a small sign that reads "WELCOME TO ZUIDERBOL". The road is flanked by fields and trees. The car's body is visible on the right edge of the mirror's reflection.

**More than  
Conquerors**





Saved or not, we all have bodies suffering from the effects of sin as we age and sag and ache.

Saved or not...

- The car still is going to break down.
- The roof is going to leak
- The air conditioning system is going to need to be replaced
- A parent or sibling or son or daughter is going become sick and maybe even die
- Your boss is going to lay you off at the plant
- And just when you think you can't take anymore – you will have flat tire on a two-lane road, with a soft shoulder, while it's raining.

The Bible very clearly teaches me to “rejoice in the Lord always.” That’s easy to do when you get a big fat tax refund, but difficult to practice when you have a flat tire on a rainy night.

How can we rejoice, when the burdens of life weigh us down?

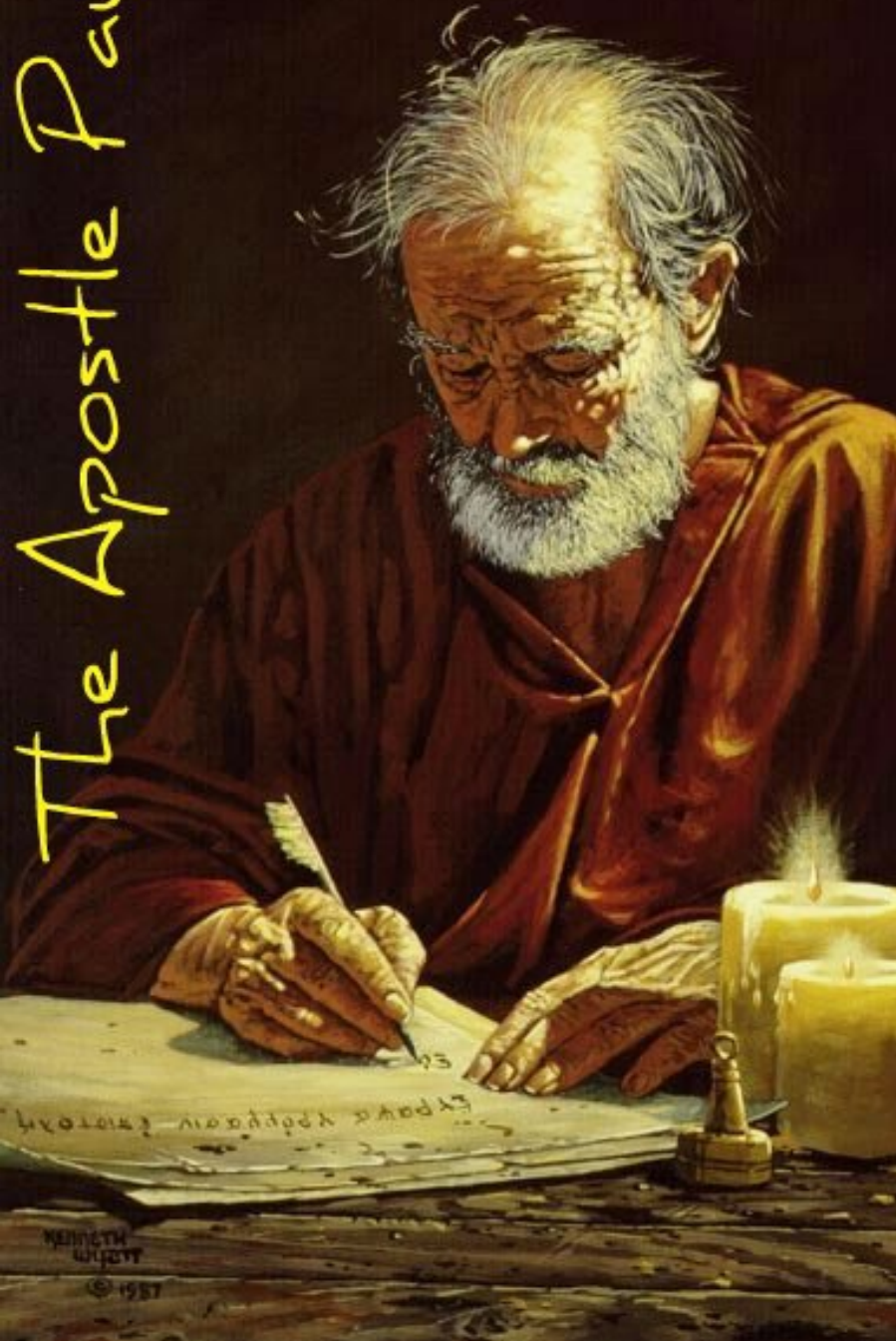




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Live at Peace  
with One  
Another

# The Apostle Paul



Eph 4:1-3

*I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.*

**31-32** *Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.*

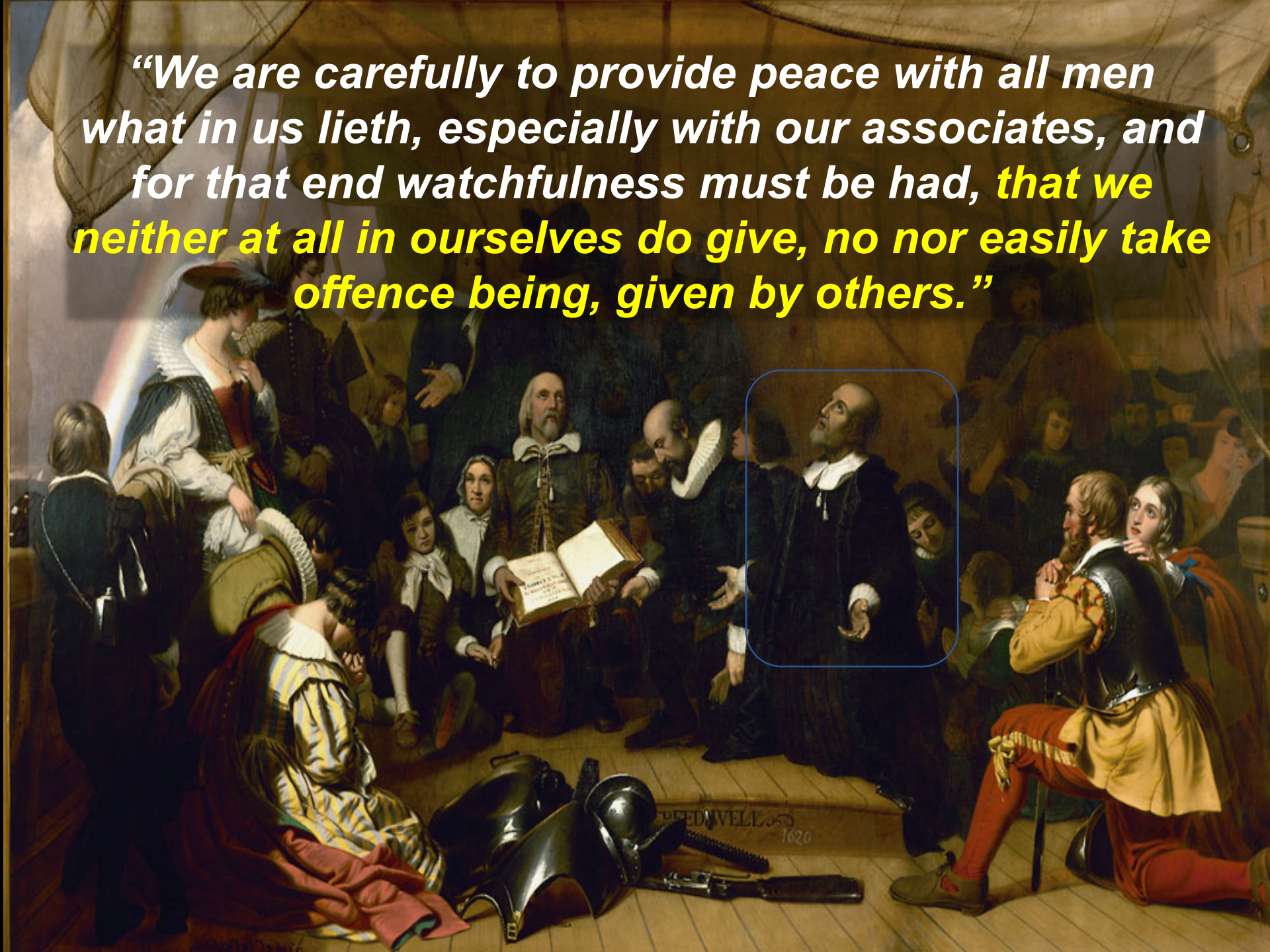




1 Peter 3:8-9

*Finally, be ye all of one mind having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous: Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing...*

***“We are carefully to provide peace with all men  
what in us lieth, especially with our associates, and  
for that end watchfulness must be had, **that we  
neither at all in ourselves do give, no nor easily take  
offence being, given by others.**”***





- ✓ **Don't be guilty of offending someone intentionally.**
- ✓ **Don't be guilty of being thin skinned – looking for a reason to be offended.**



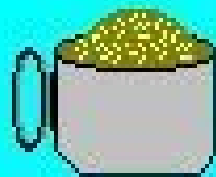
## **Luke 6:36-38**

*Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful. Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven: Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.*





## A Good Measure



1) Fill the cup.



2) Press it down.



3) Shake it together.



4) Fill it again until it is running over.

Rabbi Yehoshua ben Perachia (120BC) Mishna –

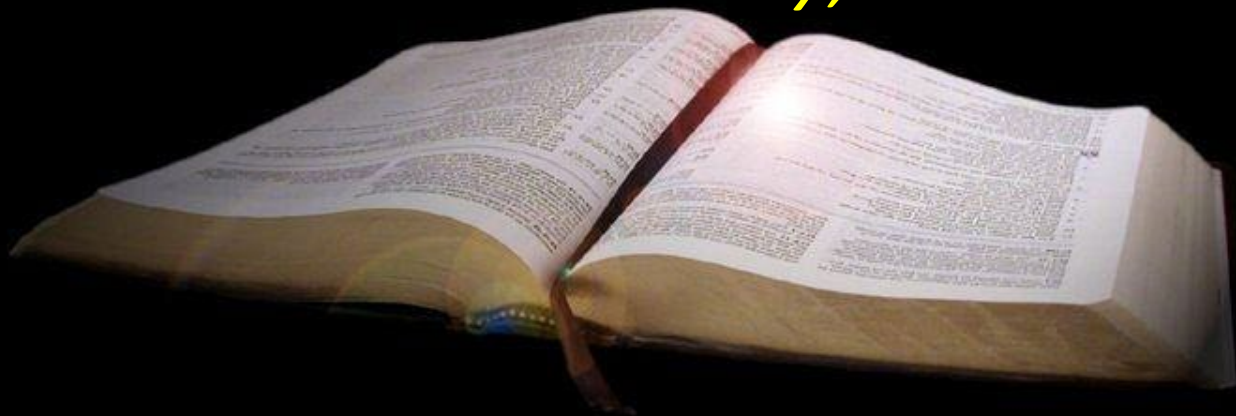
*“Judge each person  
with the scales weighed  
in their favor.”*

Walking in the dust of Rabbi Jesus: How the Jewish words of Jesus can Change your Life, Lois Tverberg, Chapter 8,  
Taking my Thumb off the Scale



Col 3:12-15

*Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. 14 And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness. 15 And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.*



***“102 Pilgrims huddled in the lantern-lit darkness of the low-ceilinged ‘tween-decks...no hatches open because of continuous storms; all essential personnel required to stay below decks; the constant crying of small children; no chance to cook any meals. It added up to seven weeks of the hell of an ill-lighted, rolling, pitching stinking inferno...”***



***“don’t cause offense and don’t be easily offended.”***

***• Pastor John Robinson***



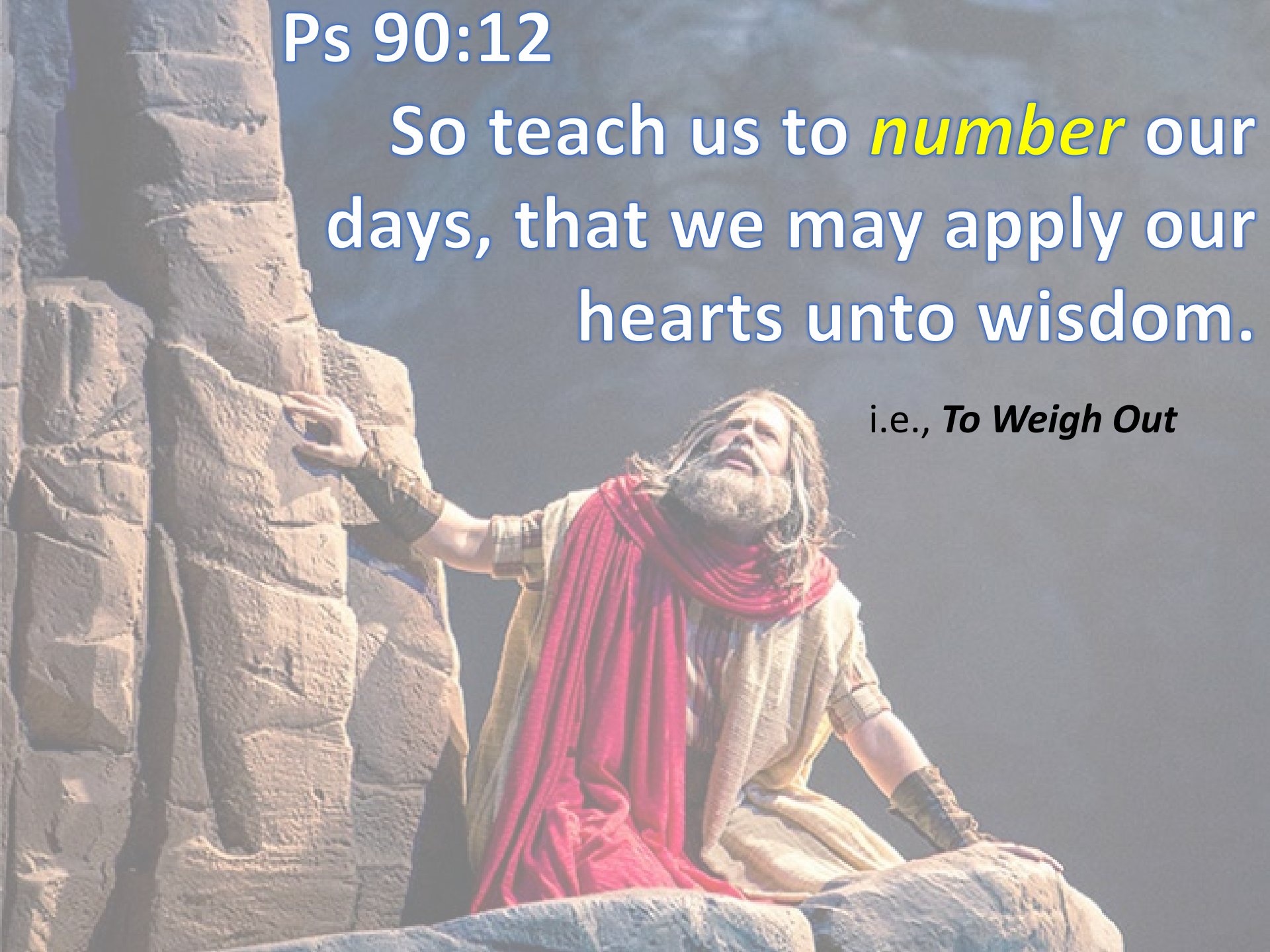
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No Coulda's,  
Woulda's or  
Shoulda's

Ps 90:12

So teach us to *number* our  
days, that we may apply our  
hearts unto wisdom.

i.e., *To Weigh Out*



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Remember

what is

REALLY

Important



**Ecclesiastes 12:3**

**Let us hear the conclusion of the  
whole matter: **Fear God, and keep  
his commandments: for this is the  
whole duty of man.****





Trust in the LORD

*and*

Keep His Commandments.

This is the WHOLE duty of man.