

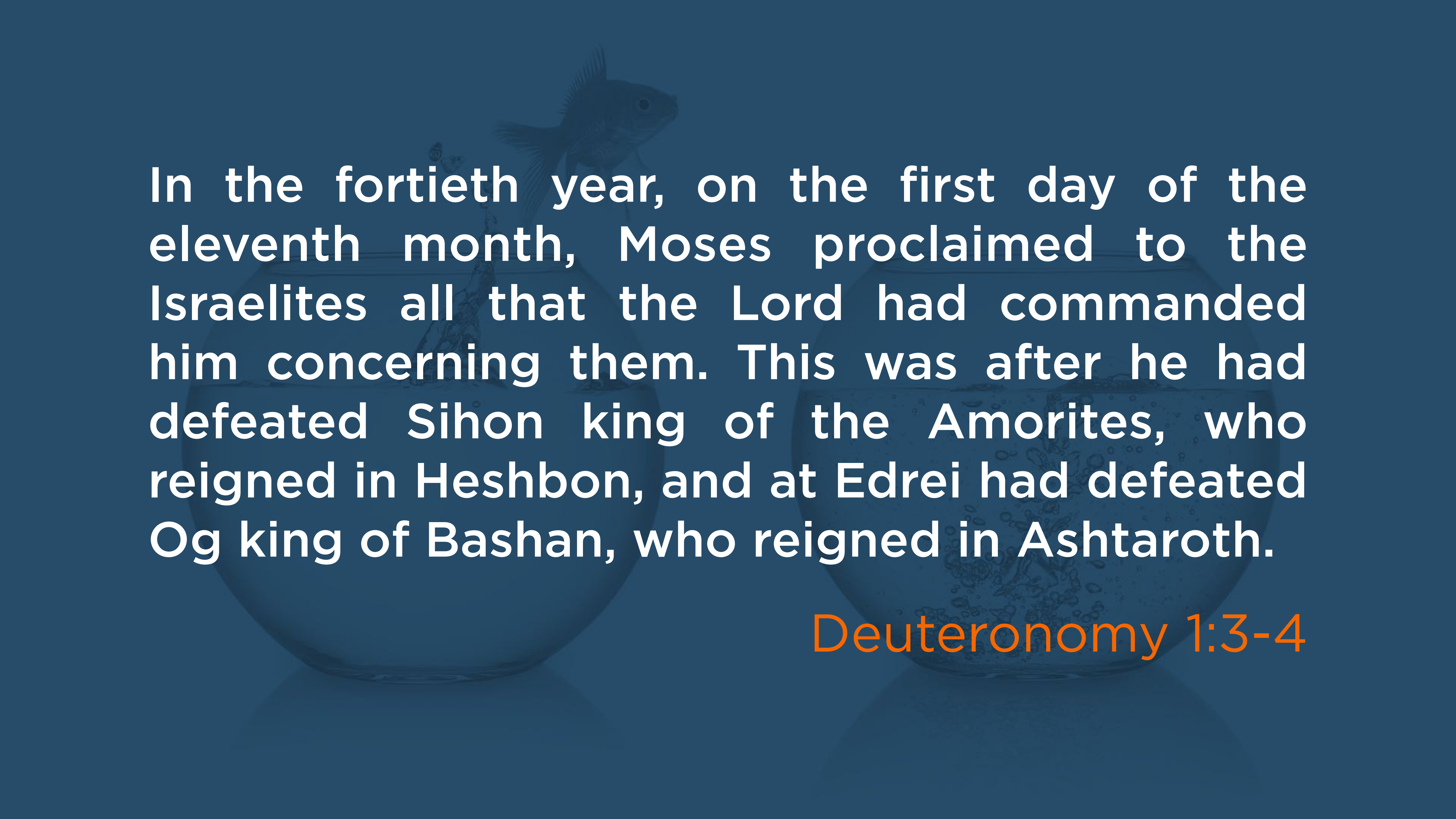
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The
Mountain
and the
River

The background features two goldfish bowls on a dark blue surface. The left bowl shows a fish jumping out of the water, with a splash and bubbles. The right bowl is filled with water and contains many small bubbles. The text is centered between the two bowls.

Deuteronomy 1

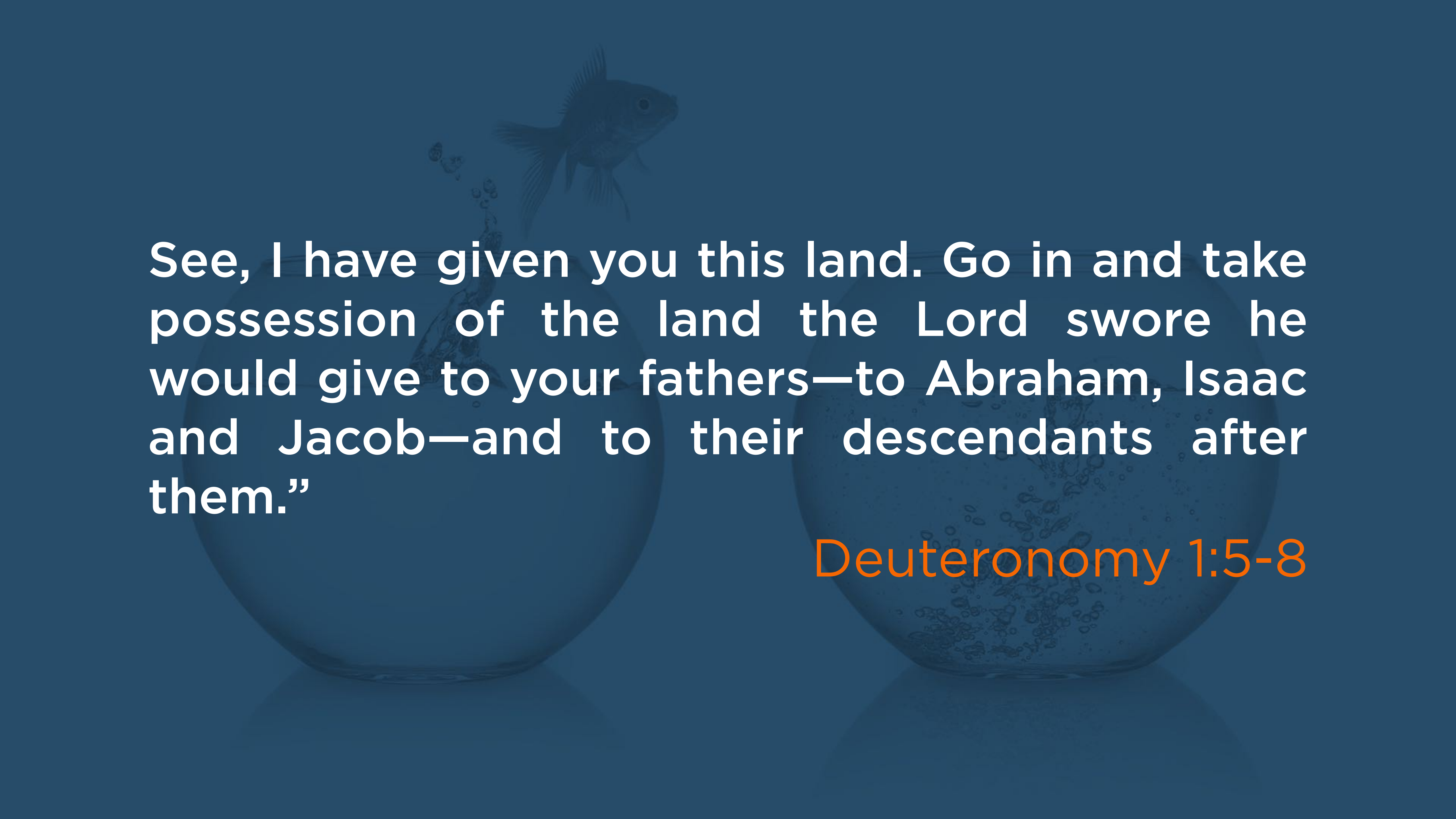
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The background of the slide is a dark blue gradient. In the center, there is a faint, semi-transparent image of a fish tank. A fish is visible in the upper left portion of the tank, and several bubbles are rising from the bottom right. The text is overlaid on this background.

In the fortieth year, on the first day of the eleventh month, Moses proclaimed to the Israelites all that the Lord had commanded him concerning them. This was after he had defeated Sihon king of the Amorites, who reigned in Heshbon, and at Edrei had defeated Og king of Bashan, who reigned in Ashtaroth.

Deuteronomy 1:3-4

East of the Jordan in the territory of Moab, Moses began to expound this law, saying: The Lord our God said to us at Horeb, "You have stayed long enough at this mountain. Break camp and advance into the hill country of the Amorites; go to all the neighboring peoples in the Arabah, in the mountains, in the western foothills, in the Negev and along the coast, to the land of the Canaanites and to Lebanon, as far as the great river, the Euphrates.

The background features two large, clear glass fishbells. The left fishbell contains a single dark-colored fish swimming upwards, with a trail of small bubbles following it. The right fishbell is empty, showing only the water and bubbles. The entire scene is set against a dark blue background.

See, I have given you this land. Go in and take possession of the land the Lord swore he would give to your fathers—to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob—and to their descendants after them.”

Deuteronomy 1:5-8

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**You have stayed
long enough at this**

Mountain



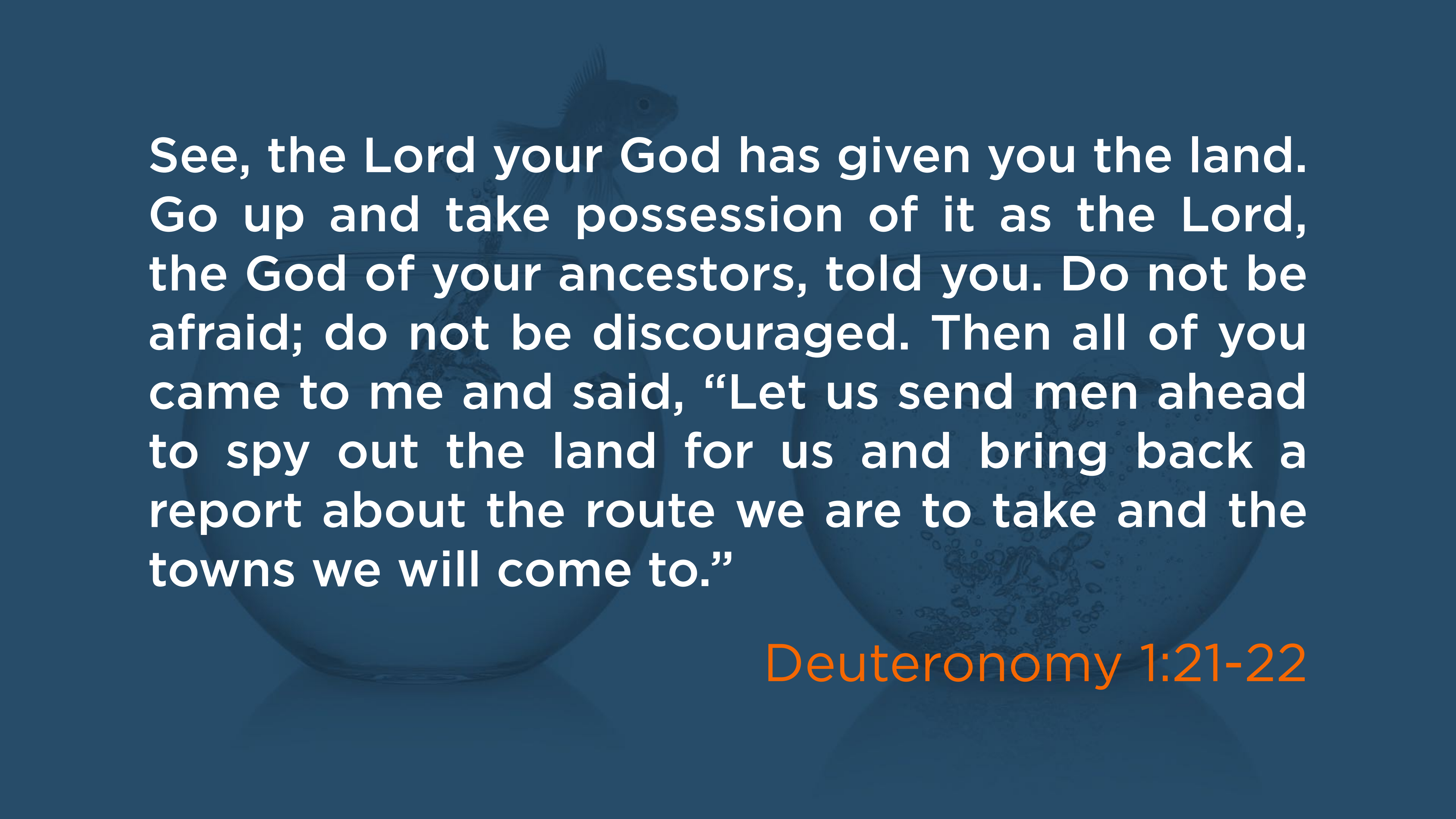
Tell
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Truth



Some patterns aren't officially wrong, they just aren't helpful.

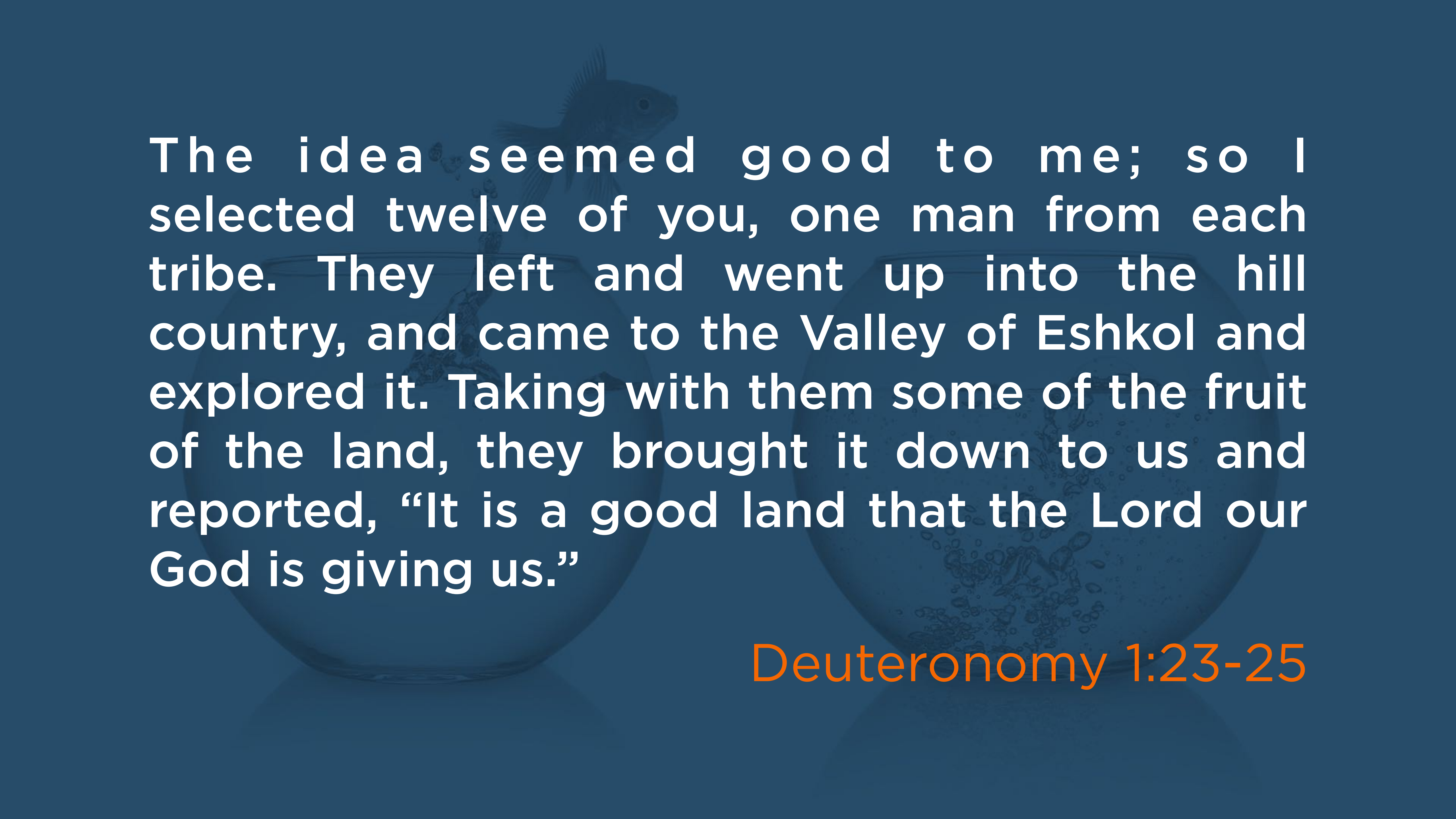


Trust
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Heart



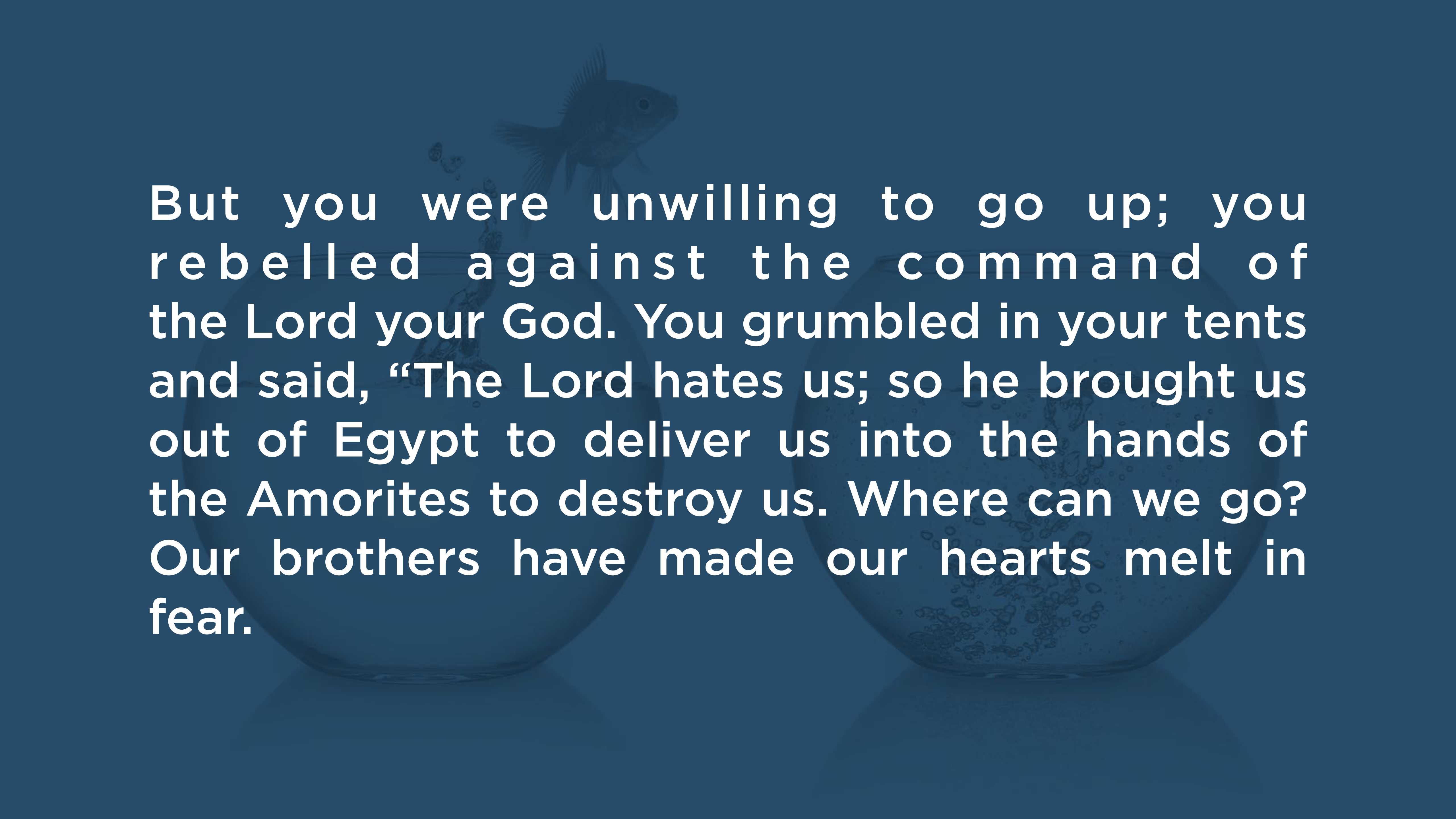
See, the Lord your God has given you the land. Go up and take possession of it as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, told you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Then all of you came to me and said, “Let us send men ahead to spy out the land for us and bring back a report about the route we are to take and the towns we will come to.”

Deuteronomy 1:21-22

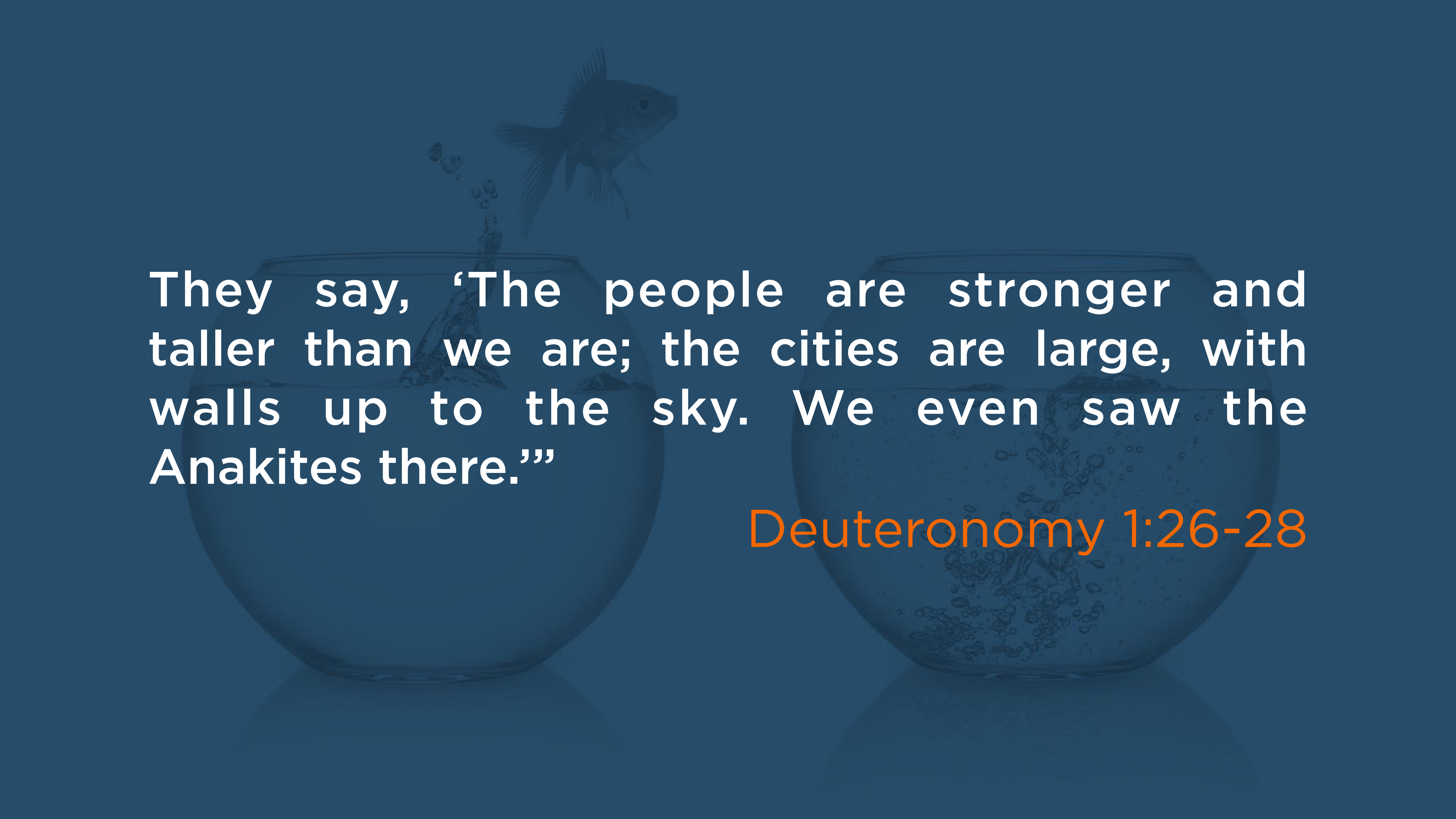
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The idea seemed good to me; so I selected twelve of you, one man from each tribe. They left and went up into the hill country, and came to the Valley of Eshkol and explored it. Taking with them some of the fruit of the land, they brought it down to us and reported, “It is a good land that the Lord our God is giving us.”

Deuteronomy 1:23-25

A dark blue background with a faint, stylized illustration of a fish and bubbles. The fish is positioned in the upper left quadrant, and bubbles are scattered throughout the scene, particularly around the text. The text is white and centered horizontally.

But you were unwilling to go up; you rebelled against the command of the Lord your God. You grumbled in your tents and said, “The Lord hates us; so he brought us out of Egypt to deliver us into the hands of the Amorites to destroy us. Where can we go? Our brothers have made our hearts melt in fear.



They say, ‘The people are stronger and taller than we are; the cities are large, with walls up to the sky. We even saw the Anakites there.’”

Deuteronomy 1:26-28

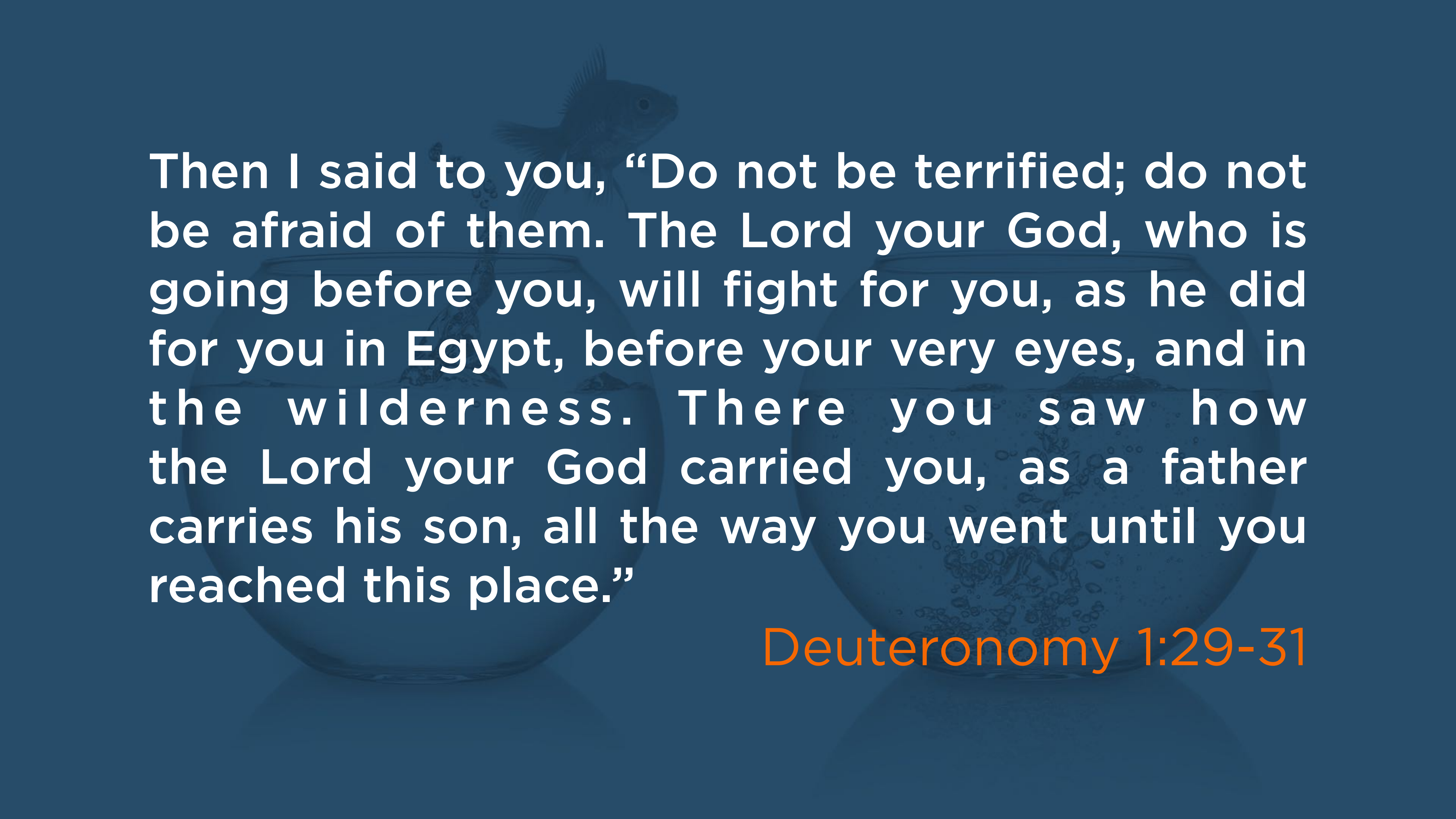


God doesn't play games with us.

Bob Fryling

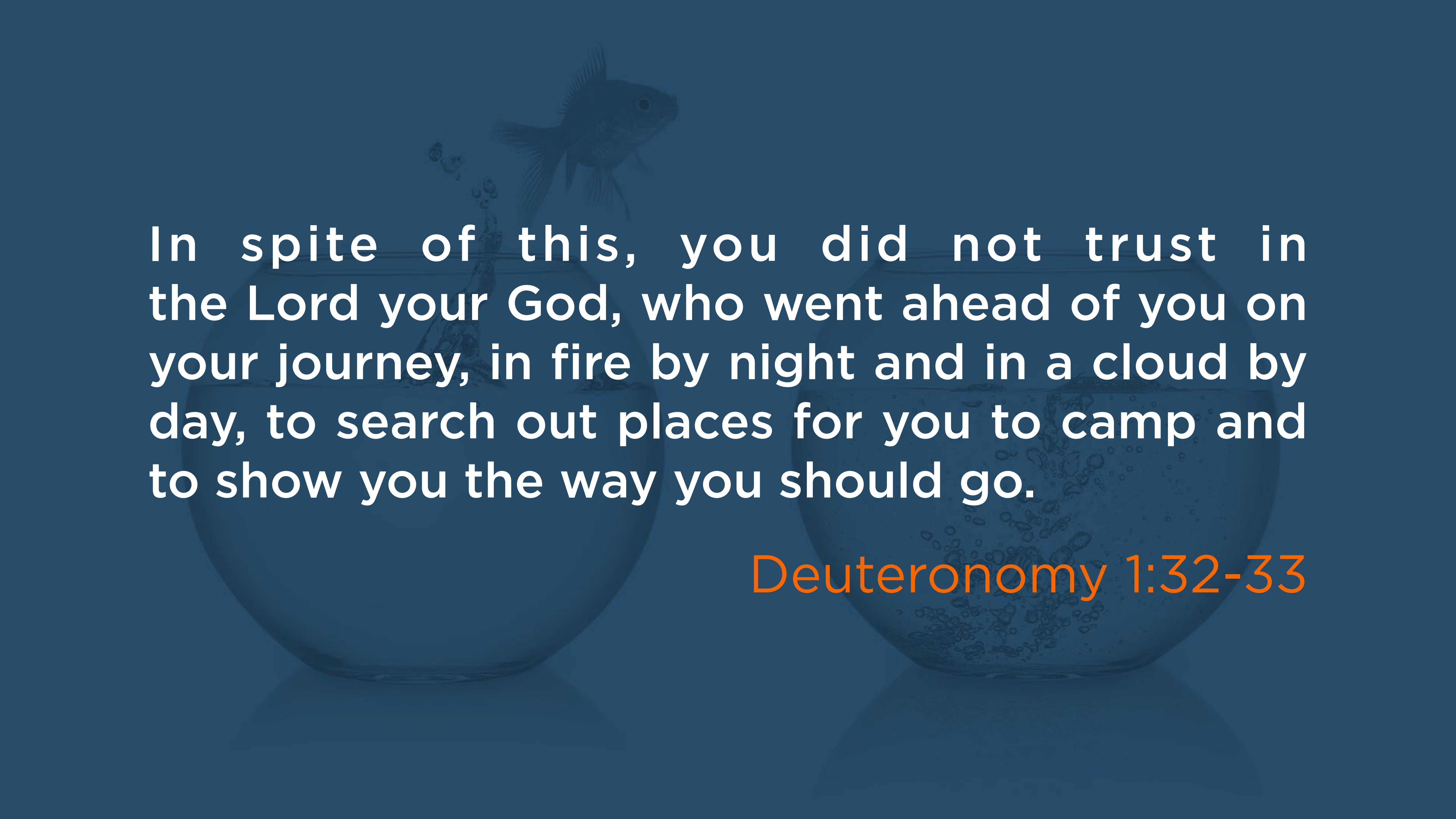


The journey is a gift, not a game.



Then I said to you, “Do not be terrified; do not be afraid of them. The Lord your God, who is going before you, will fight for you, as he did for you in Egypt, before your very eyes, and in the wilderness. There you saw how the Lord your God carried you, as a father carries his son, all the way you went until you reached this place.”

Deuteronomy 1:29-31

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In spite of this, you did not trust in the Lord your God, who went ahead of you on your journey, in fire by night and in a cloud by day, to search out places for you to camp and to show you the way you should go.

Deuteronomy 1:32-33



Sunk costs vs. opportunity costs

Susan David *Emotional Agility*



**Sunk costs:
Fear of losing assets**



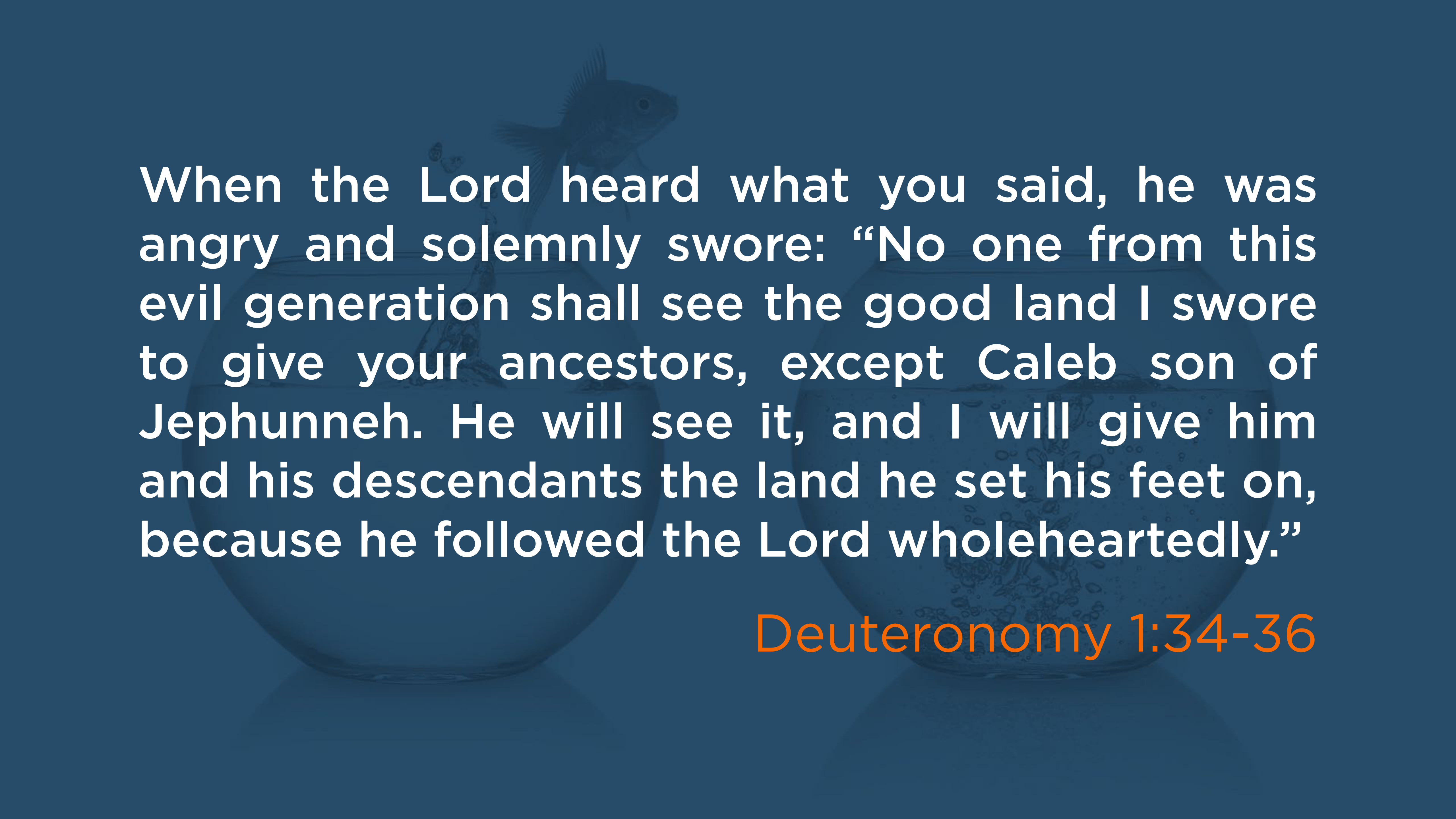
**Opportunity costs:
Fear of missing adventure**



**You can fight to save your
sandcastle, but you'll never learn
to surf.**

It would seem that our Lord finds our desires not too strong, but too weak. We are half-hearted creatures, fooling about with drink and sex and ambition when infinite joy is offered us, like an ignorant child who wants to go on making mud pies in a slum because he cannot imagine what is meant by the offer of a holiday at the sea. We are far too easily pleased.

C.S. Lewis *The Weight of Glory*



When the Lord heard what you said, he was angry and solemnly swore: “No one from this evil generation shall see the good land I swore to give your ancestors, except Caleb son of Jephunneh. He will see it, and I will give him and his descendants the land he set his feet on, because he followed the Lord wholeheartedly.”

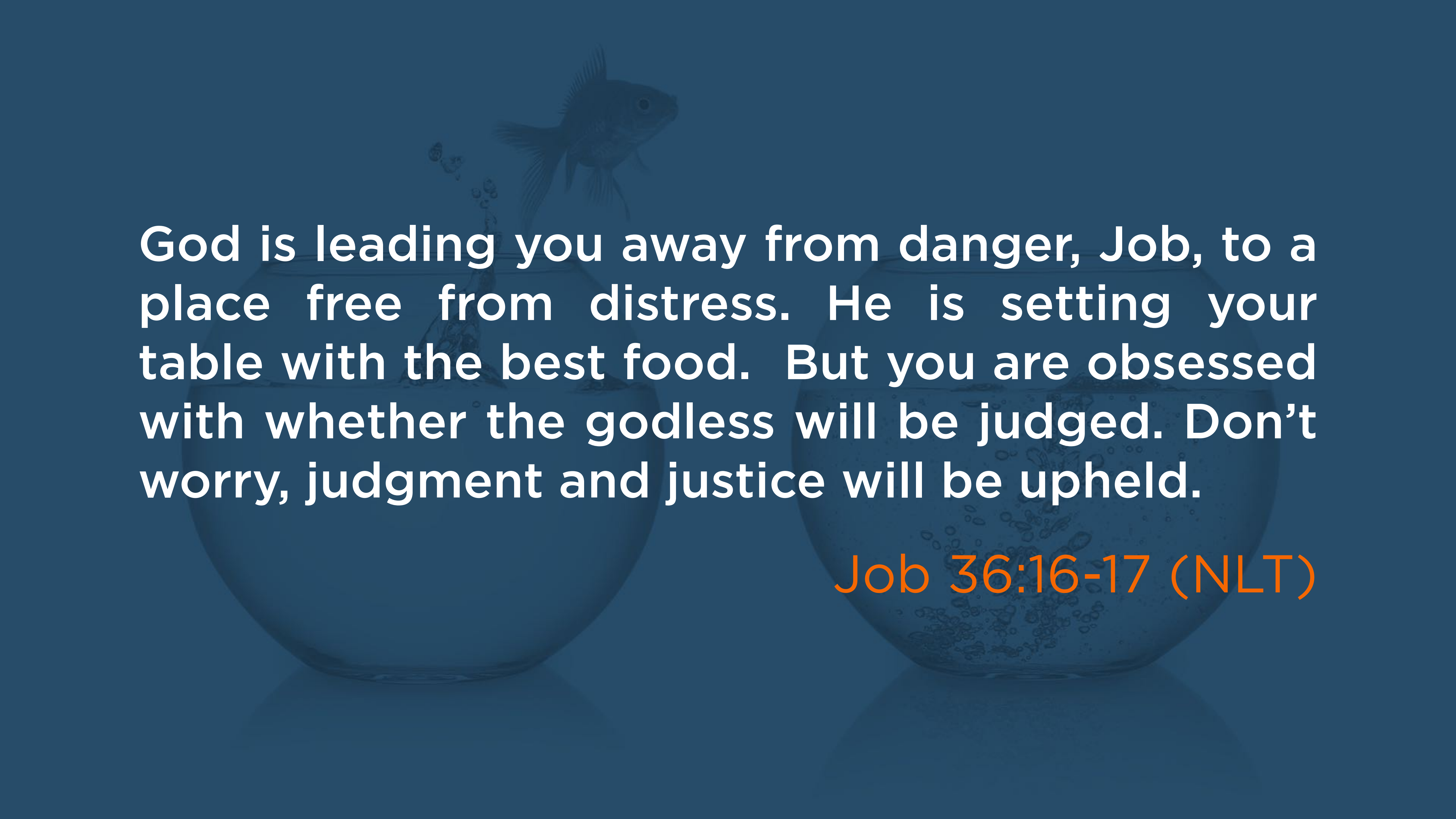
Deuteronomy 1:34-36



God doesn't just want us to escape, He wants us to arrive.

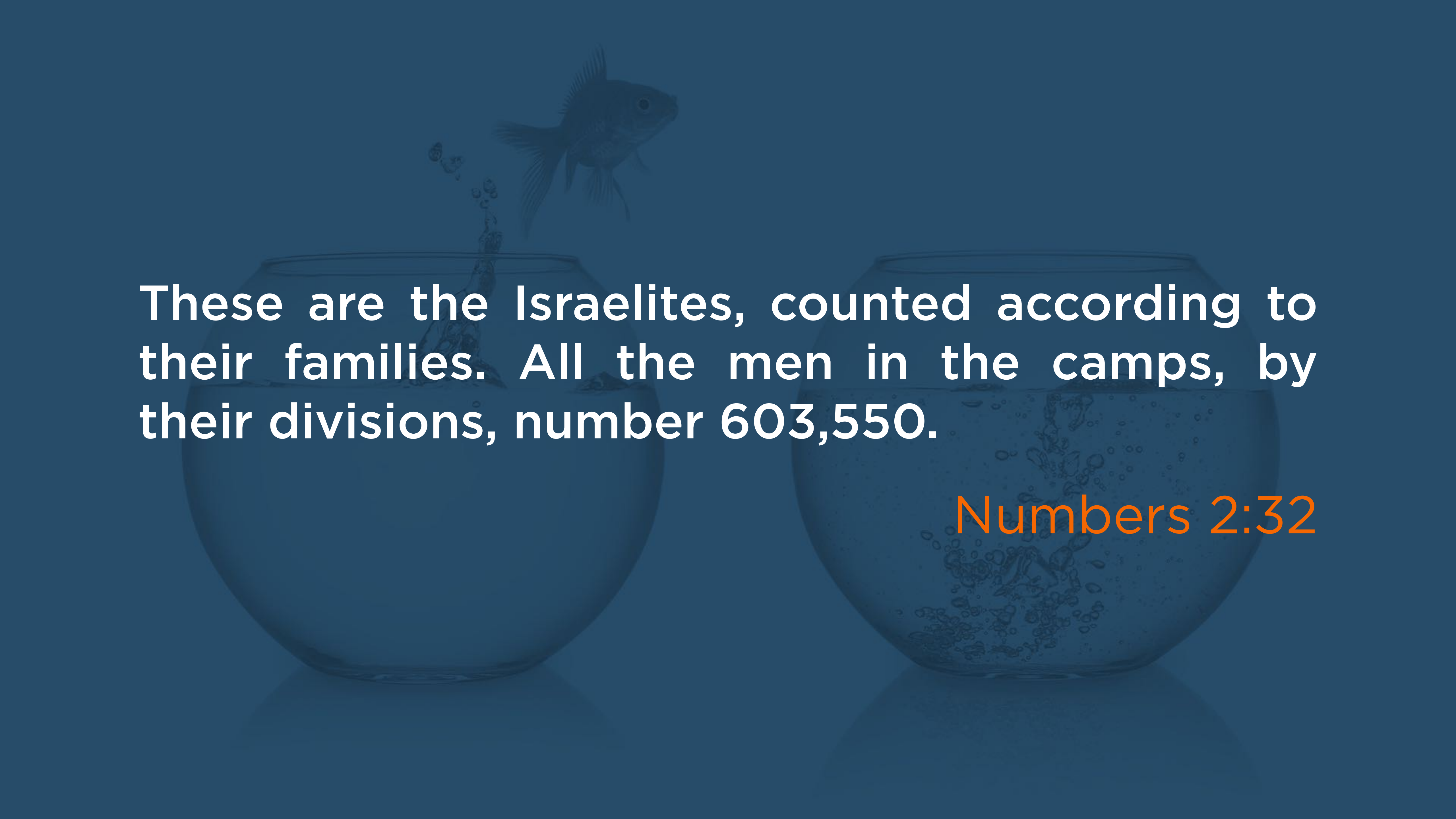


Take
the
Step

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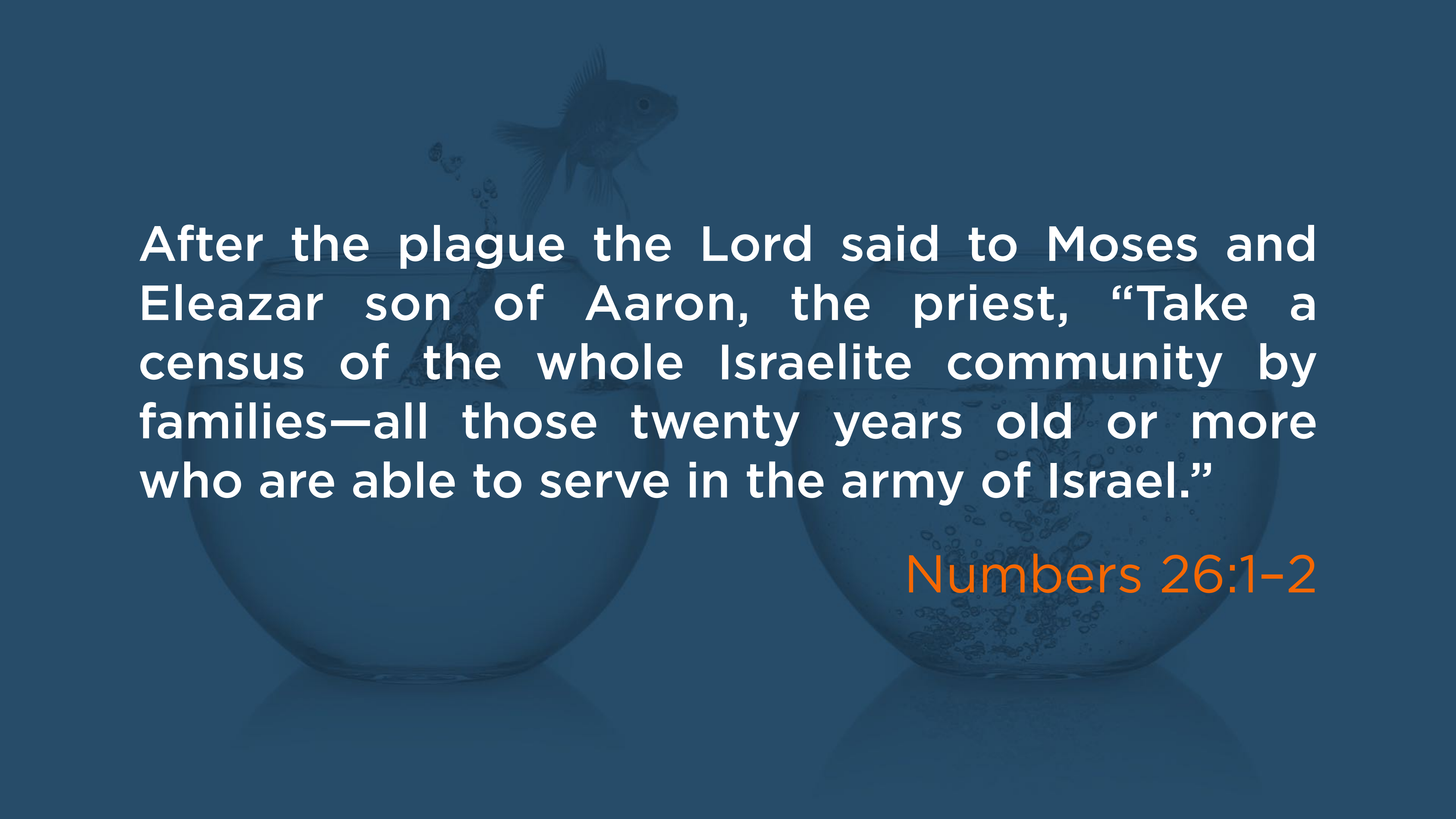
God is leading you away from danger, Job, to a place free from distress. He is setting your table with the best food. But you are obsessed with whether the godless will be judged. Don't worry, judgment and justice will be upheld.

Job 36:16-17 (NLT)



These are the Israelites, counted according to their families. All the men in the camps, by their divisions, number 603,550.

Numbers 2:32

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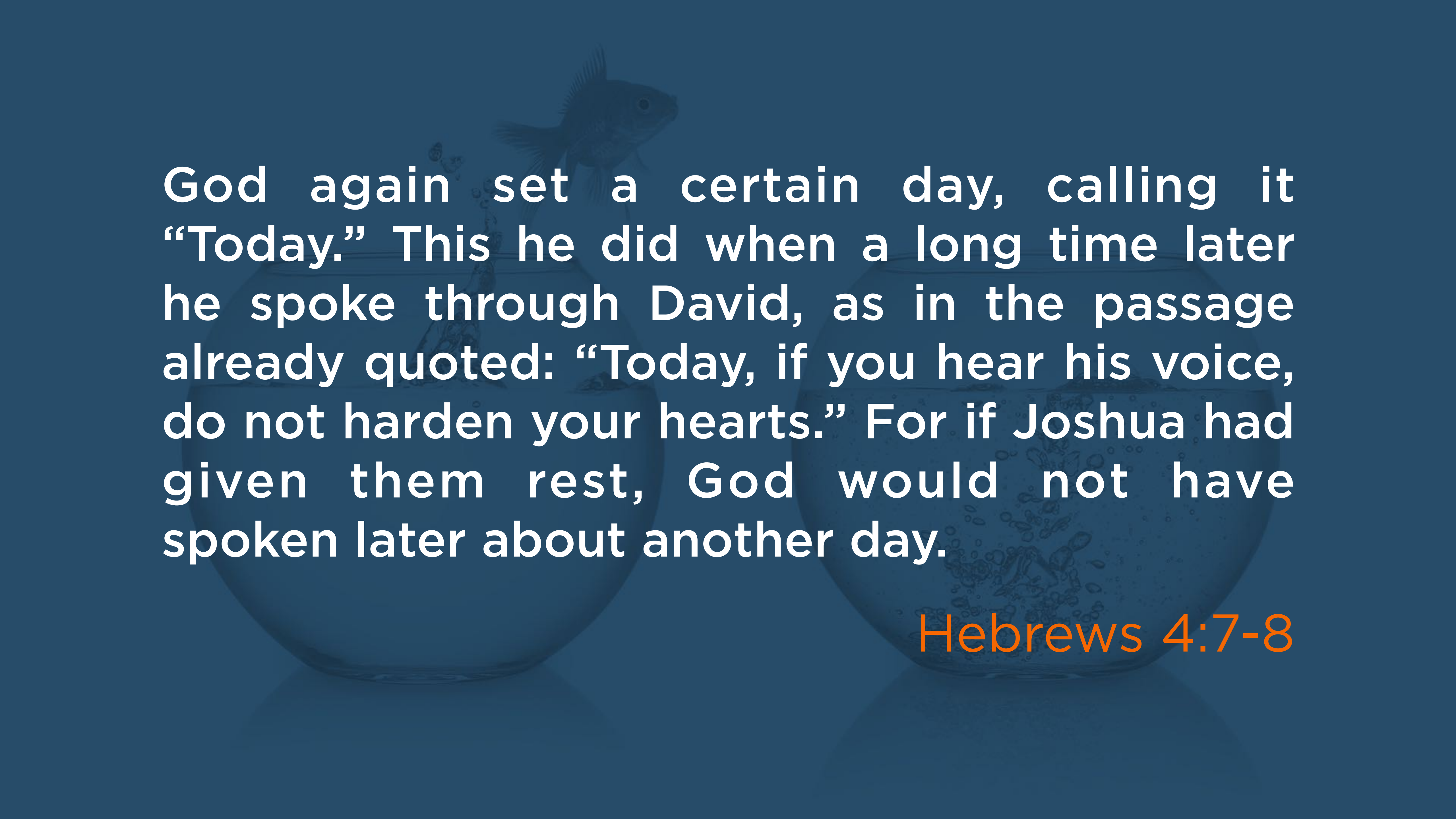
After the plague the Lord said to Moses and Eleazar son of Aaron, the priest, “Take a census of the whole Israelite community by families—all those twenty years old or more who are able to serve in the army of Israel.”

Numbers 26:1-2



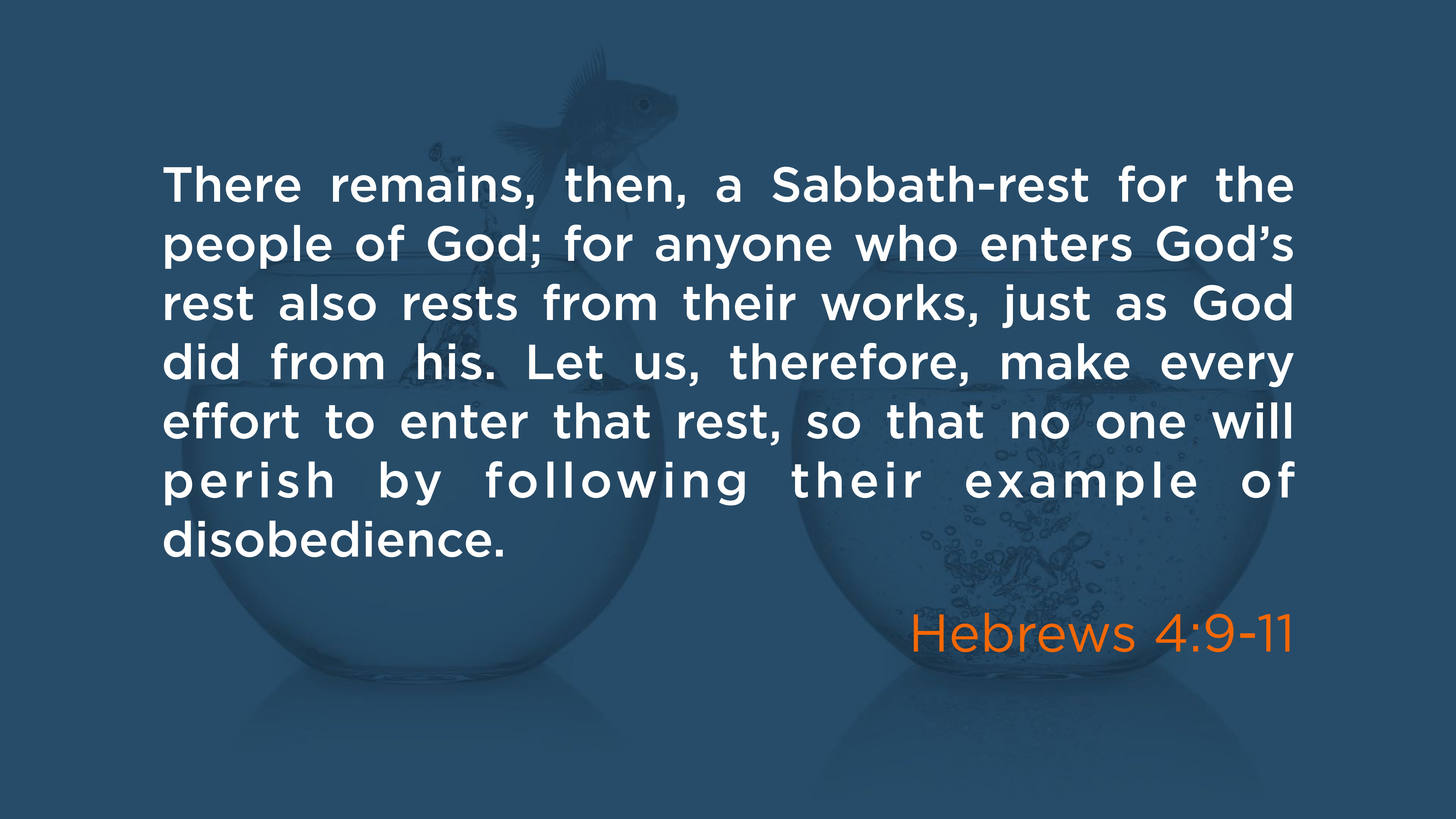
The total number of the men of Israel
was 601,730.

Numbers 26:51

A background image of a fish tank with a fish and bubbles. The fish is dark and positioned in the upper left quadrant. Bubbles are scattered throughout the water, particularly in the lower right area. The tank's reflection is visible at the bottom.

God again set a certain day, calling it “Today.” This he did when a long time later he spoke through David, as in the passage already quoted: “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts.” For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken later about another day.

Hebrews 4:7-8



There remains, then, a Sabbath-rest for the people of God; for anyone who enters God's rest also rests from their works, just as God did from his. Let us, therefore, make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one will perish by following their example of disobedience.

Hebrews 4:9-11





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