

AFTER HIS HEART



1 Samuel 13:14 - But now your kingdom shall not continue. The Lord has sought out a man after his own heart, and the Lord has commanded him to be prince over his people, because you have not kept what the Lord has commanded you.



Acts 13:22 - And when he had removed him, he raised up David to be their king, of whom he testified and said, 'I have found in David the son of Jesse a man after my heart, who will do all my will.'

The quality that best defines David as a man after God's own heart is his extravagant commitment to worship God.

King David was Israel's greatest warrior, yet he was a lovesick worshiper, ravished by God's desire for him and fascinated by God's beauty. – Mike Bickle

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DAVID MADE WORSHIP PRIORITY # 1

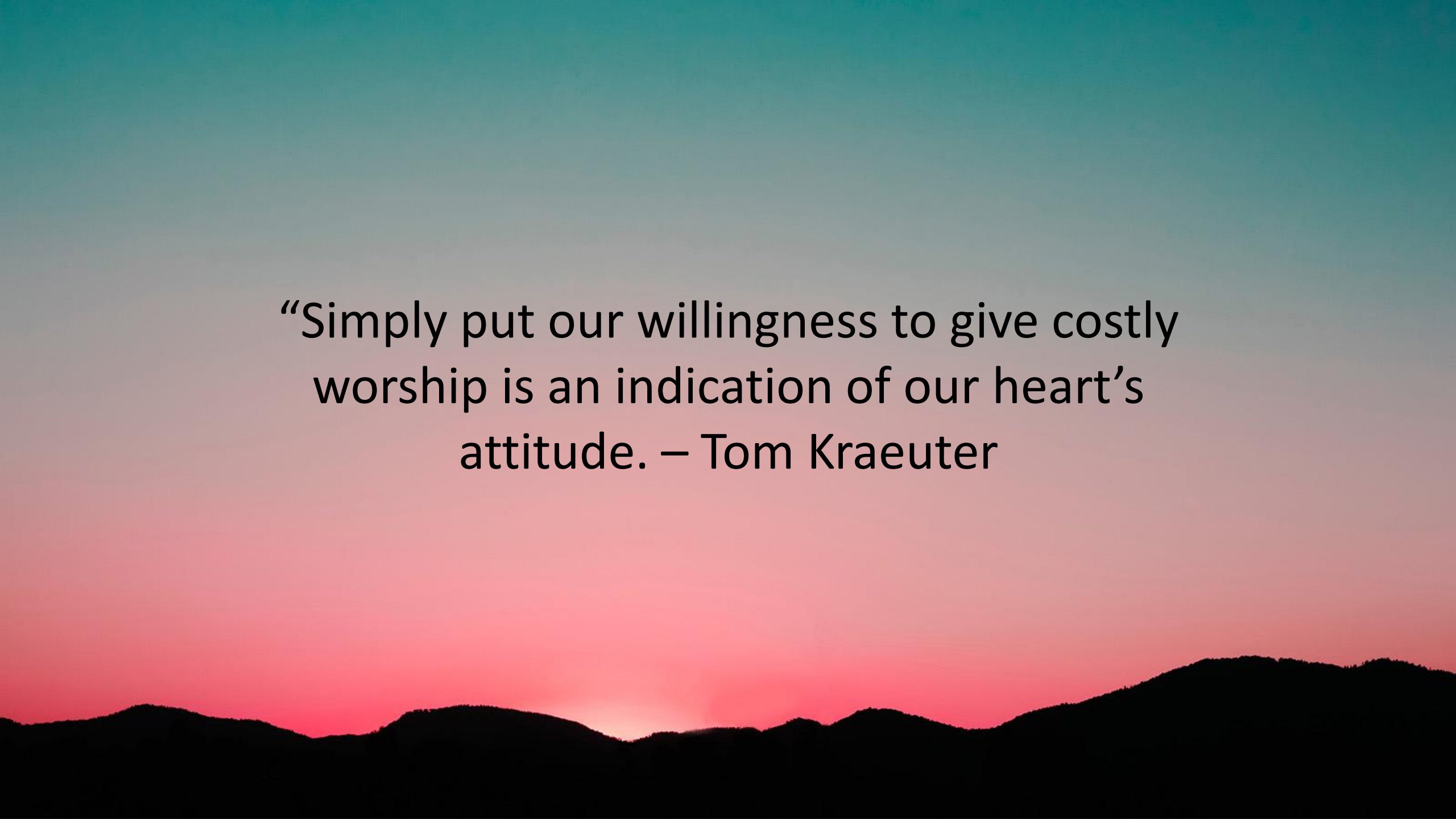


DAVID WORSHIPPED A GOD HE KNEW

Psalm 19:7-9 - The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.

DAVID'S WORSHIP COST HIM SOMETHING





“Simply put our willingness to give costly
worship is an indication of our heart’s
attitude. – Tom Kraeuter

2 Samuel 24:24-25 - 24 But the king said to Araunah, “No, but I will buy it from you for a price. I will not offer burnt offerings to the Lord my God that cost me nothing.” So David bought the threshing floor and the oxen for fifty shekels of silver. 25 And David built there an altar to the Lord and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings. So the Lord responded to the plea for the land, and the plague was averted from Israel.

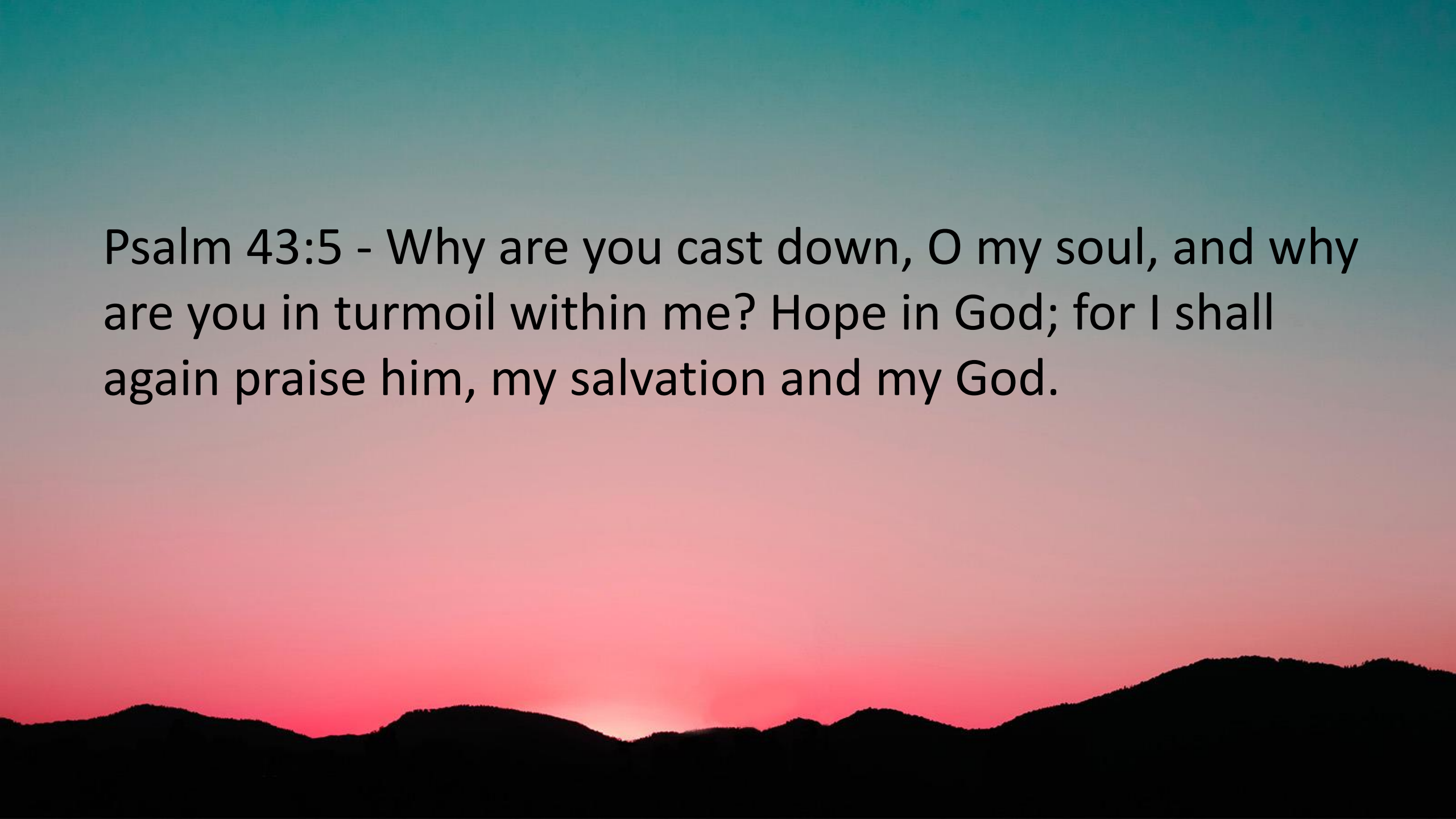
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AFFECTION**

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DAVID WORSHIPPED IN ALL SITUATIONS

Psalm 63:1-3 - O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.



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Psalm 43:5 - Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God.

Worship is productive. It is meaningful work. Under David's leadership it became a full-time job for some of the priests "to invoke, to thank and praise the Lord (1 Chronicles 16:4) You and I are now part of that priesthood, the priesthood of all believers. The ministry of worship has become our vocation, our calling as well. - Janet Lindeblade Janzen