

A rustic wooden cross is constructed from two weathered logs. The vertical post is secured to a large, dark, textured tree stump. The horizontal beam is also made of a log, with some dried leaves and twigs attached to it. The background is a soft, misty forest with green trees under a pale sky.

Ephesians

united
by the moment

A wooden cross stands on a large, weathered tree stump in a forest. The cross is made of two simple wooden beams. The background shows a dense forest of green trees under a bright sky.

Bible Reading:
Ephesians 1:1-2

*“Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus,
called to be an apostle, set apart
for the gospel of God...”*

Romans

*“Paul, called by the will of God to
be an apostle of Christ Jesus...”*

1 Corinthians

*“Paul, an apostle - not from men
nor through man, but through
Jesus Christ and God the Father,
who raised him from the dead...”*

Galatians

*“Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus
by command of God our Savior
and of Christ Jesus our hope...”*

1 Timothy

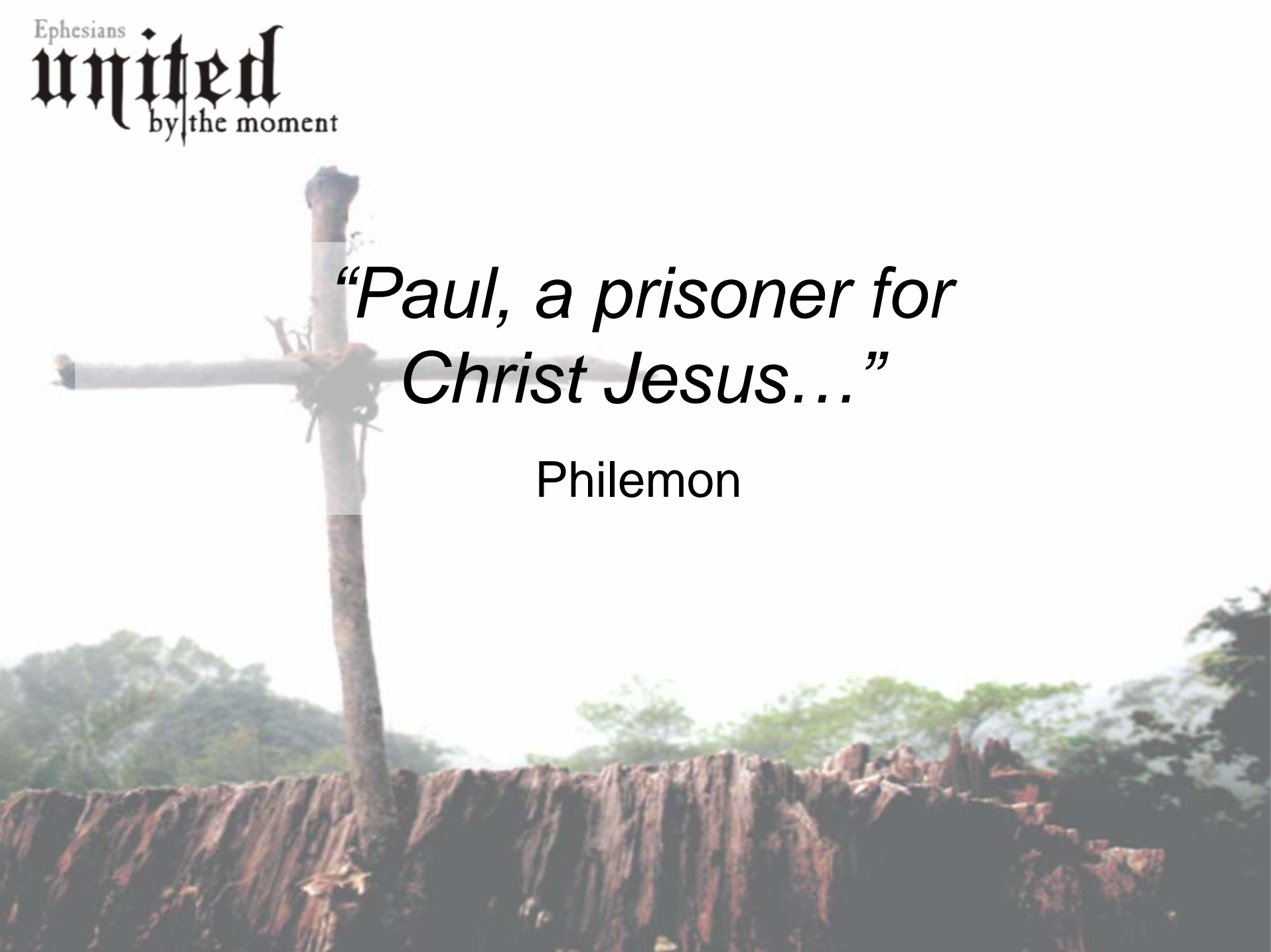
*“Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus
by the will of God according to the
promise of the life that is in Christ
Jesus...”*

2 Timothy

*“Paul, a servant of God and an
apostle of Jesus Christ...”*

Titus

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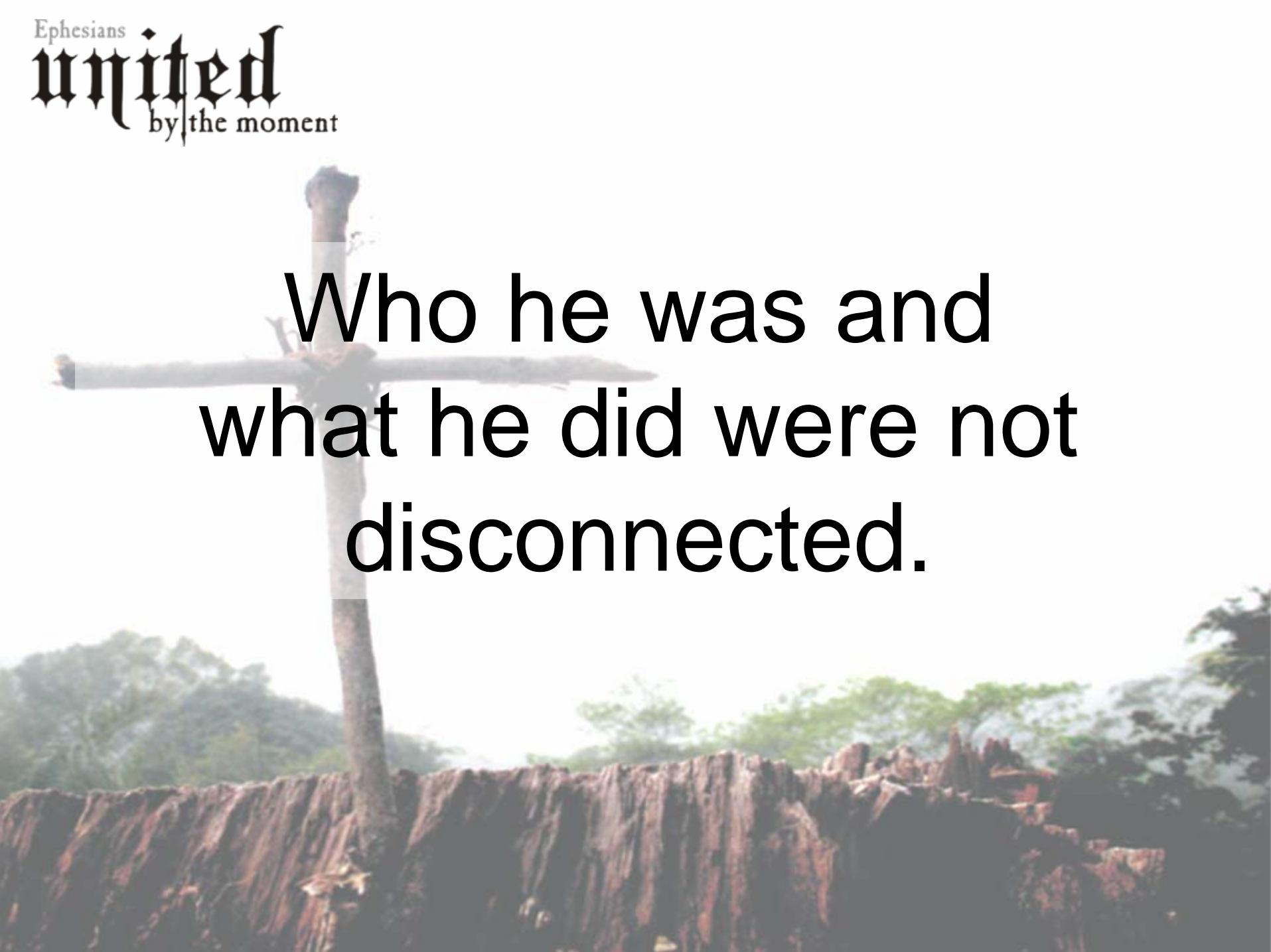
*“Paul, a prisoner for
Christ Jesus...”*

Philemon

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*“I am an apostle of
Christ Jesus...”*

Paul – Ephesians 1

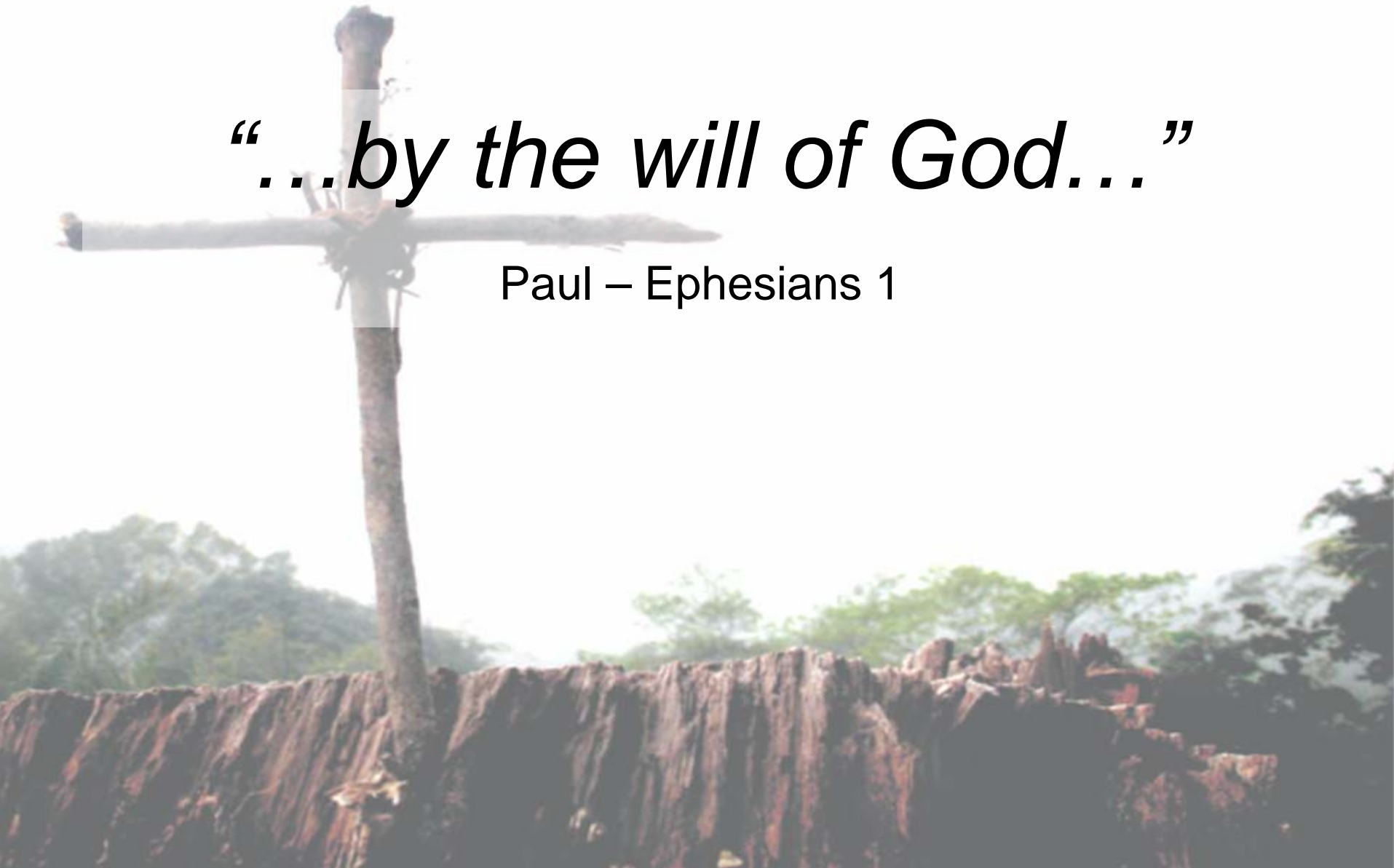
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Who he was and
what he did were not
disconnected.

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“...by the will of God...”


Paul – Ephesians 1



*“And no one takes this honor
for himself, but only when
called by God...”*

Hebrews 5:4 (ESV)

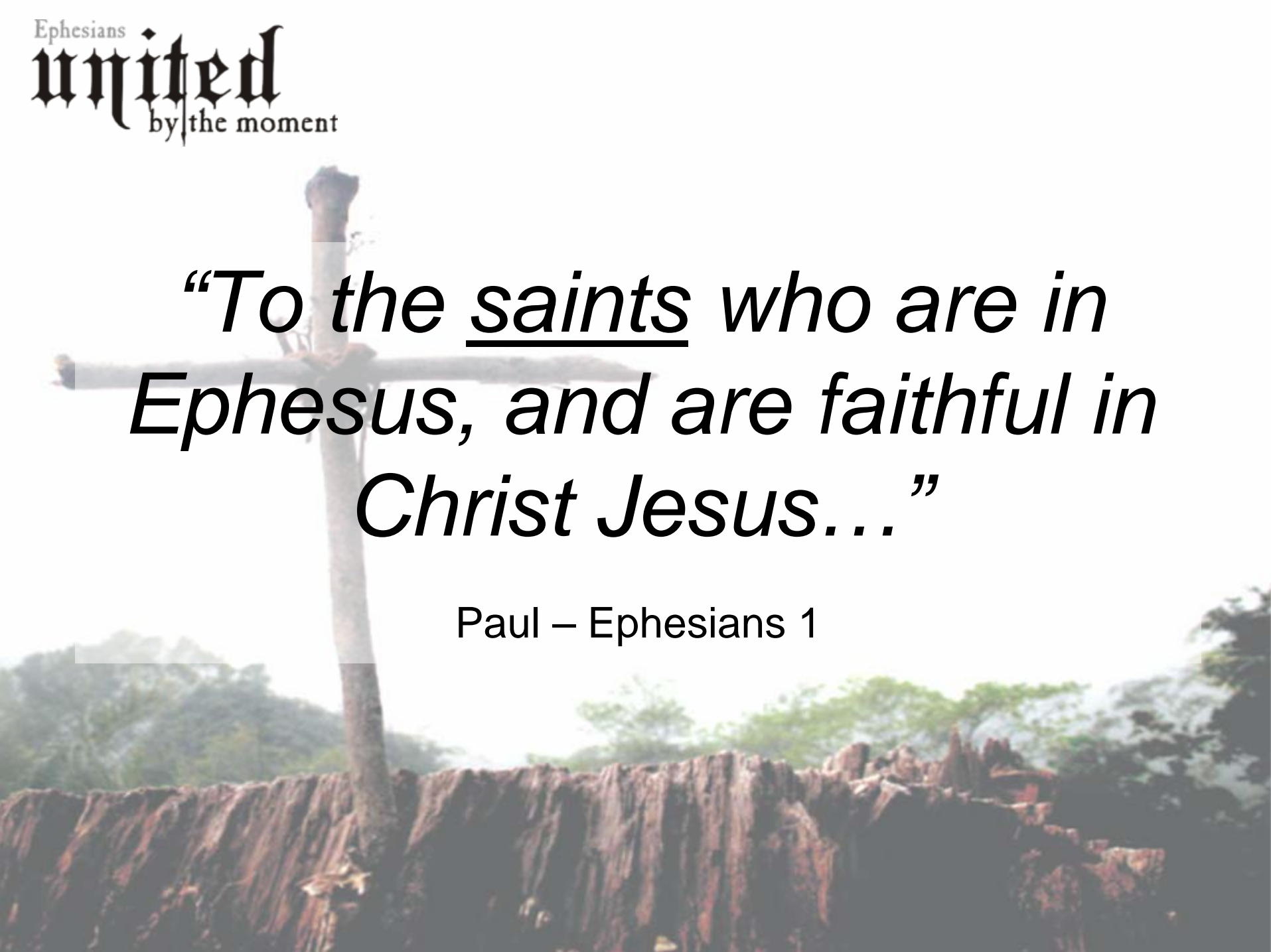
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Don't just live saved,
live called.

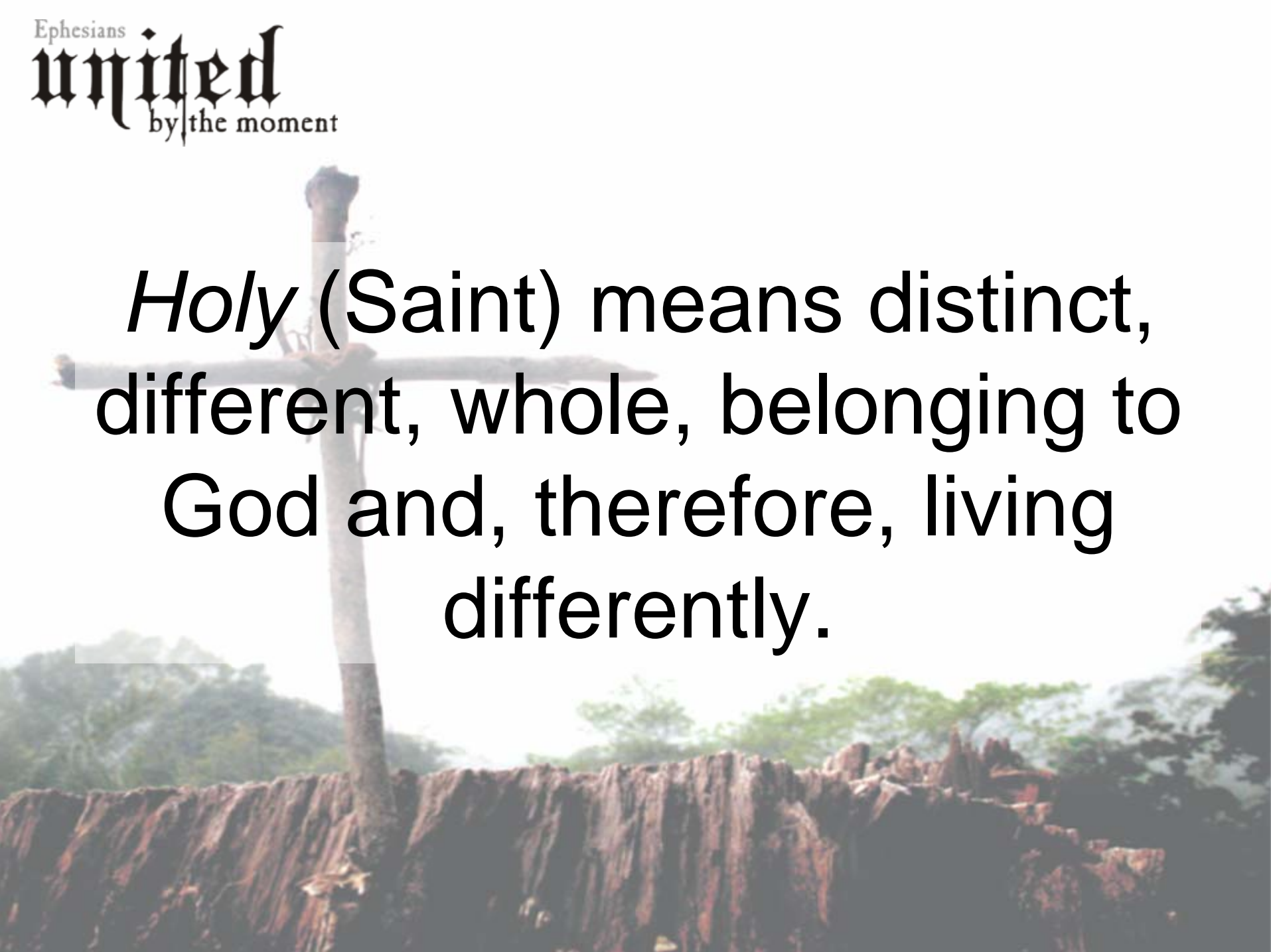
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Your identity and calling
are directly linked.



*“To the saints who are in
Ephesus, and are faithful in
Christ Jesus...”*

Paul – Ephesians 1



Holy (Saint) means distinct,
different, whole, belonging to
God and, therefore, living
differently.

*“Grace to you and peace
from God our Father and the
Lord Jesus Christ.”*

Paul –

Ephesians 1

“Grace is all God’s power, all his love, all his beauty available to you. It is a marvelous term which wraps up all that God is and offers to us. It comes from the same Greek word from which we get our English word charm. Grace is charming, lovely, and pleasant. It is something which pleases, which imparts charm and loveliness to a life. Peace is freedom from anxiety, fear, and worry.”

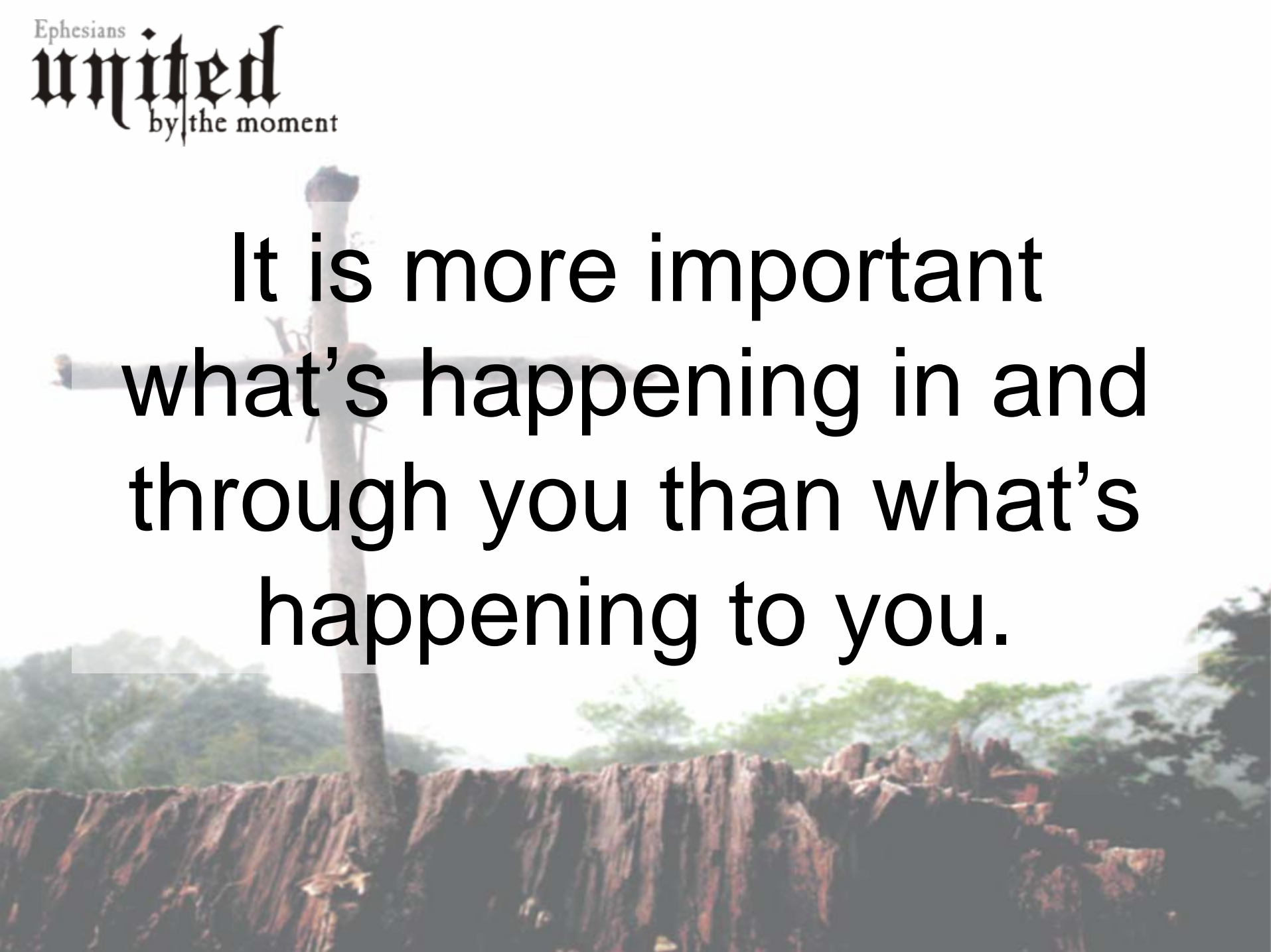
Ray Stedman

Grace:

God at work in your life.

Peace:

A sense of security and of trust.



It is more important
what's happening in and
through you than what's
happening to you.