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Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. “The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!”

Mark 1:1-15

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One of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray....” He said to them, “When you pray, say:...

Luke 11:1-4

Your Father knows what you need before you ask him. “This, then, is how you should pray:

Matthew 6:9-13

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“Our Father in Heaven”

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When you pray
say "Father"

God is the kind
of father who...

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He's an abundant
more-than-enough
father who loves
to bless others.

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He defends us
from our
accusers.

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Allows us to
make our
mistakes.
But he's ready &
longing for us to
come running
back home...

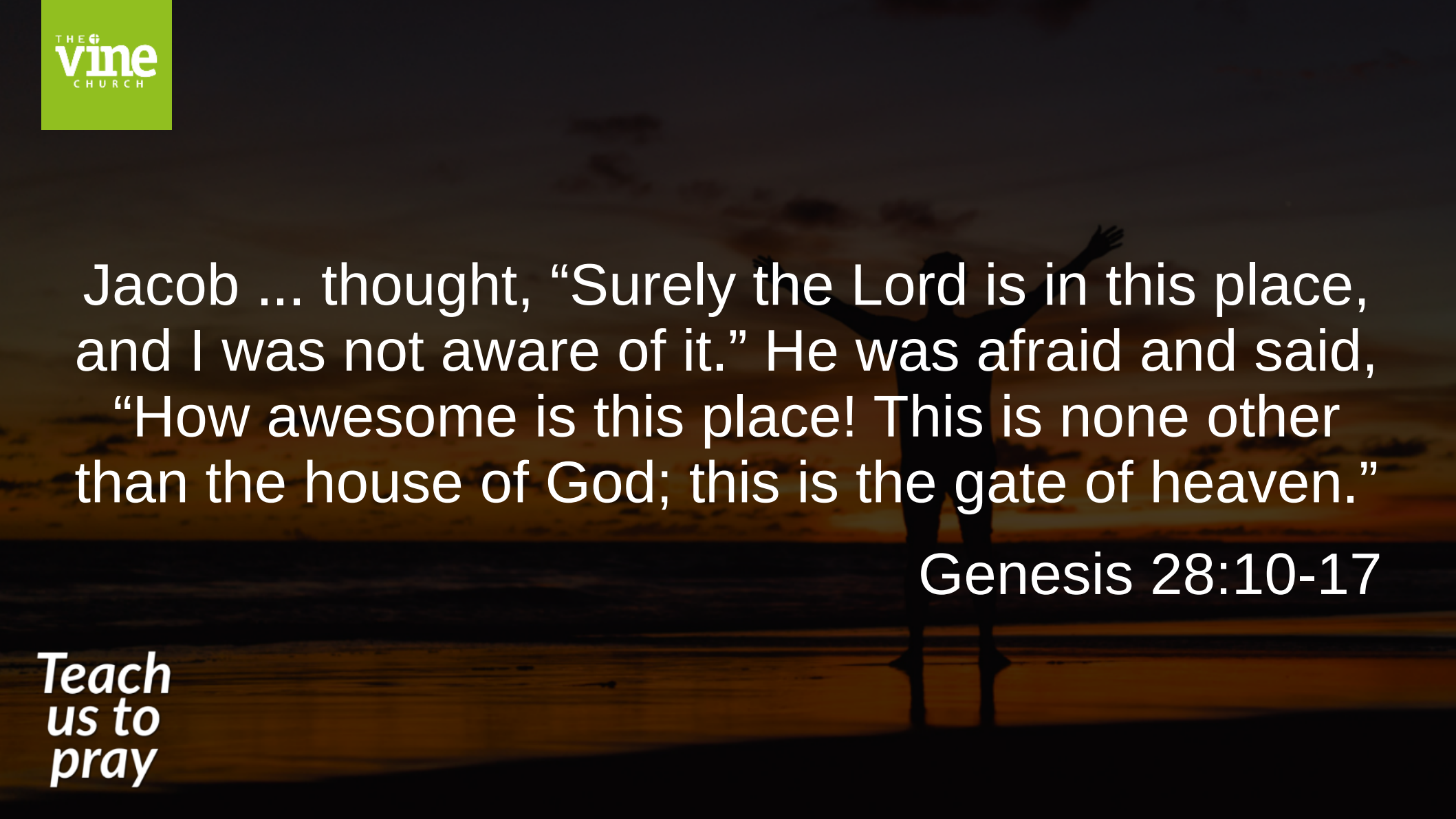
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He's merciful, not
punishing us for
our mistakes.

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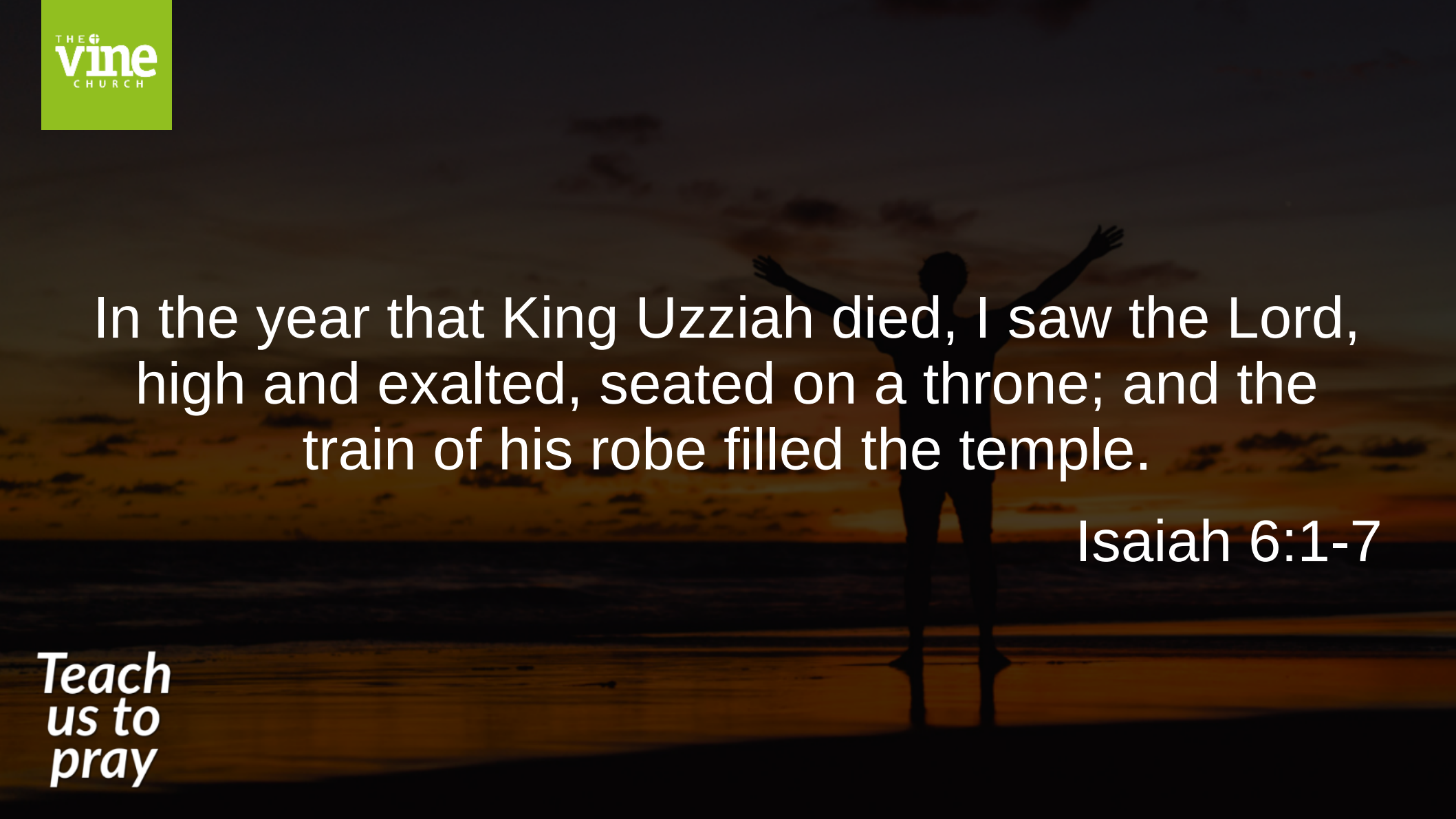




Jacob ... thought, “Surely the Lord is in this place, and I was not aware of it.” He was afraid and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven.”

Genesis 28:10-17

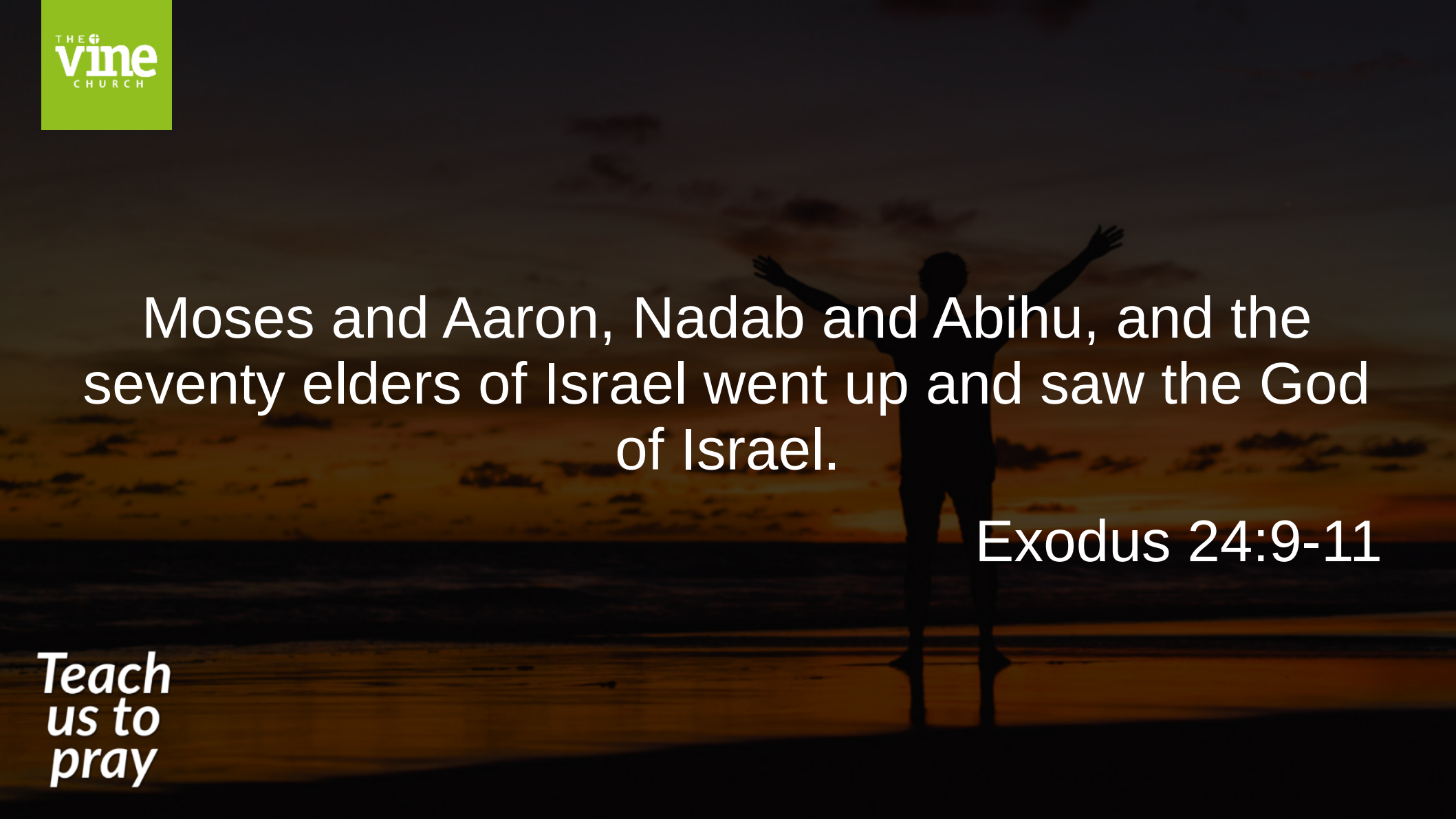
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In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord,
high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the
train of his robe filled the temple.

Isaiah 6:1-7

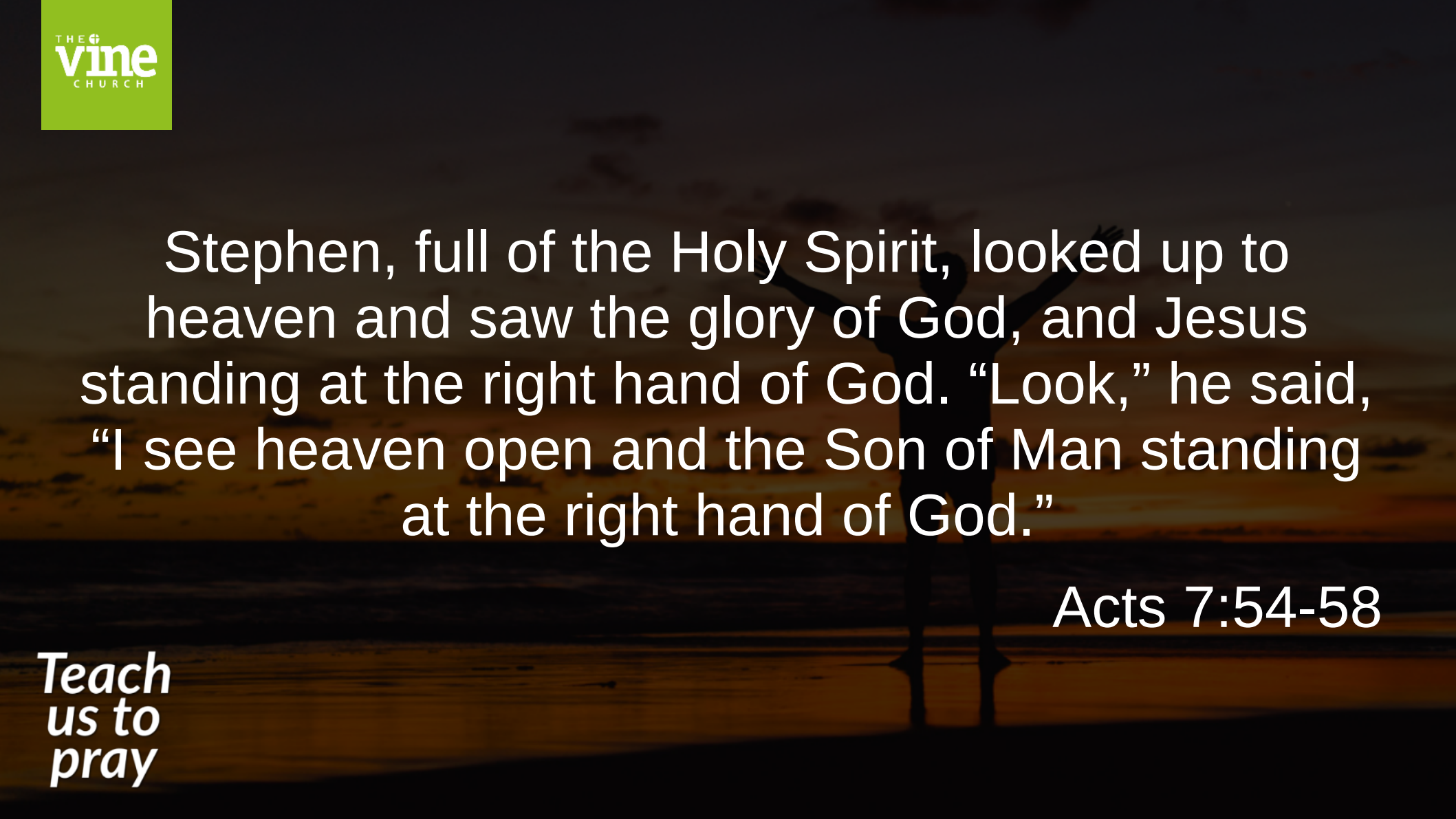
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Moses and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and the seventy elders of Israel went up and saw the God of Israel.

Exodus 24:9-11

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Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, looked up to heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. “Look,” he said, “I see heaven open and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.”


Acts 7:54-58

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I ... was on the island of Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. On the Lord's Day I was in the Spirit, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet, which said: "Write on a scroll what you see and send it to the seven churches

Revelation 1:9-11

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Heaven is accessible from *anywhere*,
not just particular earthly locations.

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“Hallowed be Your
Name.”

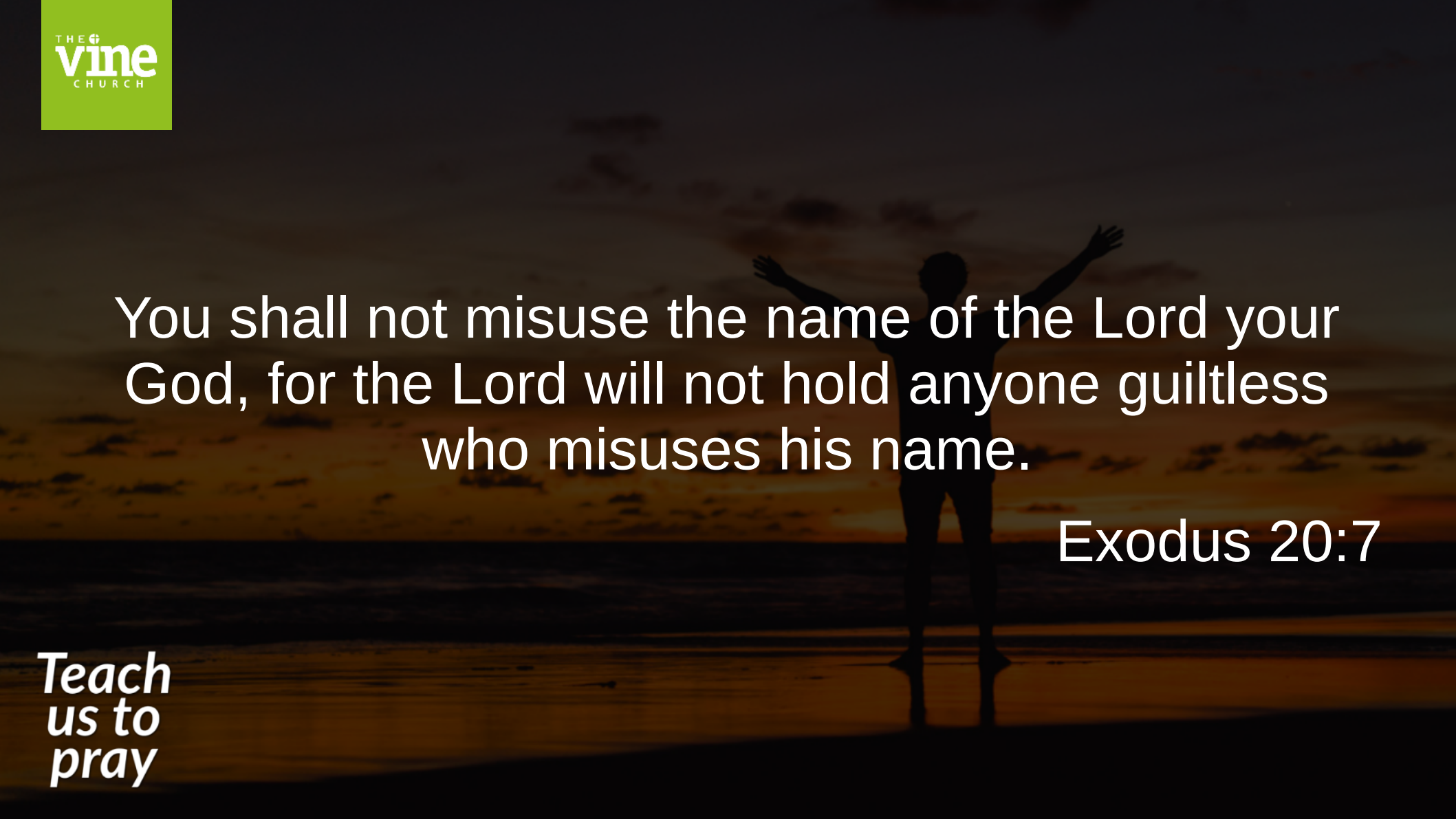
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Hallow verb

“to give something great
importance and respect”

Cambridge Dictionary

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You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

Exodus 20:7

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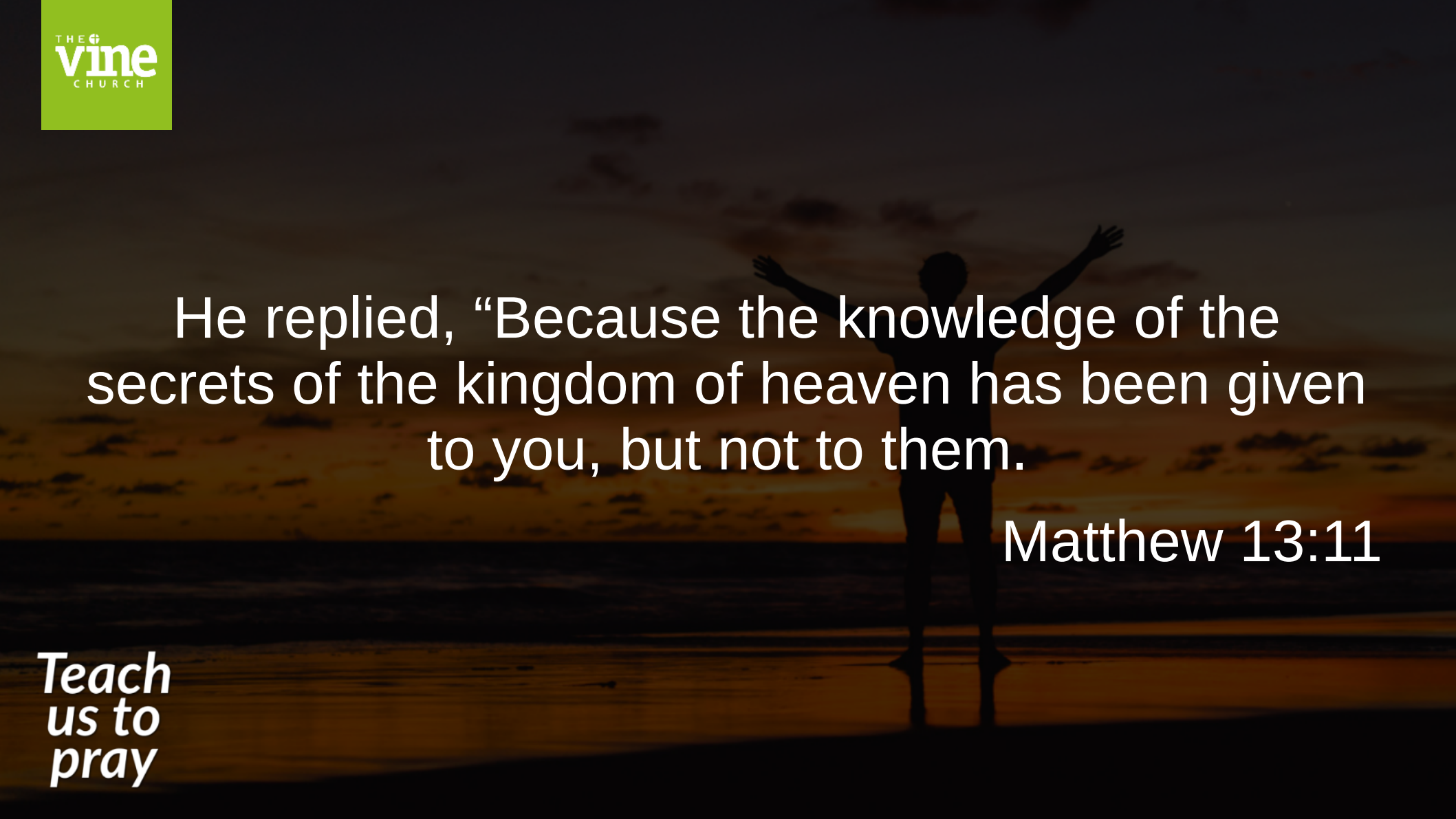
“Your kingdom come
Your will be done...”

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Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. “The time has come,” he said. “***The kingdom of God has come near***. Repent and believe the good news [*i.e. the gospel*]!”

Mark 1:14-15

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He replied, “Because the knowledge of the secrets of the kingdom of heaven has been given to you, but not to them.

Matthew 13:11

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The Kingdom of God is God's sovereign rule –
present wherever God's will is done.

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“In the time of those kings, the God of heaven will set up *a kingdom that will never be destroyed*, nor will it be left to another people. It will crush all those kingdoms and bring them to an end, but it will itself endure forever.

Daniel 2:44

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What is the will of God?

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16–18

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What is the will of God?

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good.

And what does the Lord require of you?

To act justly and to love mercy
and to walk humbly with your God.

Micah 6:8

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What is the will of God?

‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ ... and ... ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’

Matthew 22:37–39

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“...on earth as it is in
heaven.”

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Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Revelation 21:27

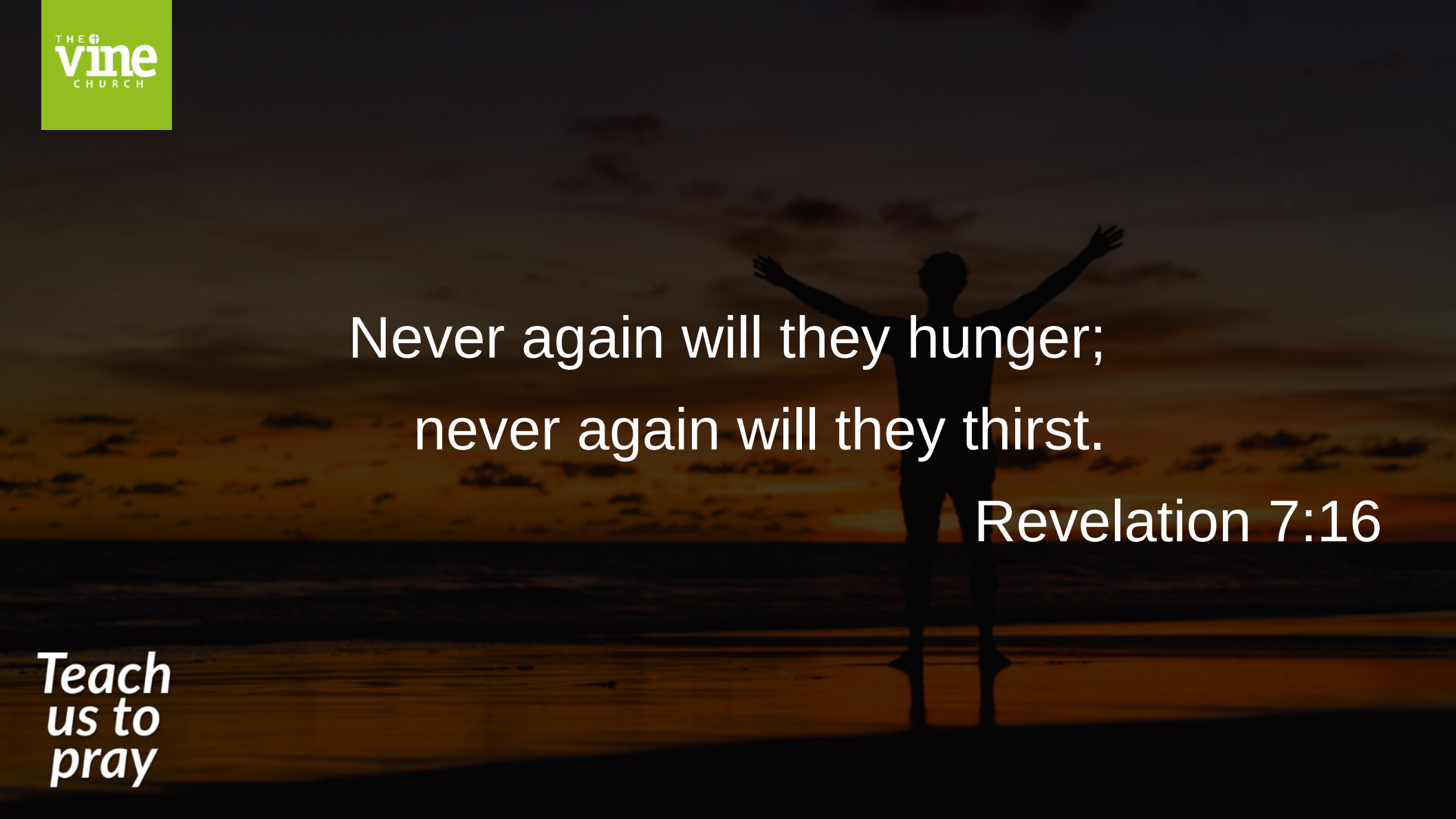
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‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.’

Revelation 21:4

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Never again will they hunger;
never again will they thirst.

Revelation 7:16

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I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,
“Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the
people, and he will dwell with them. They will be
his people, and God himself will be with them and
be their God.

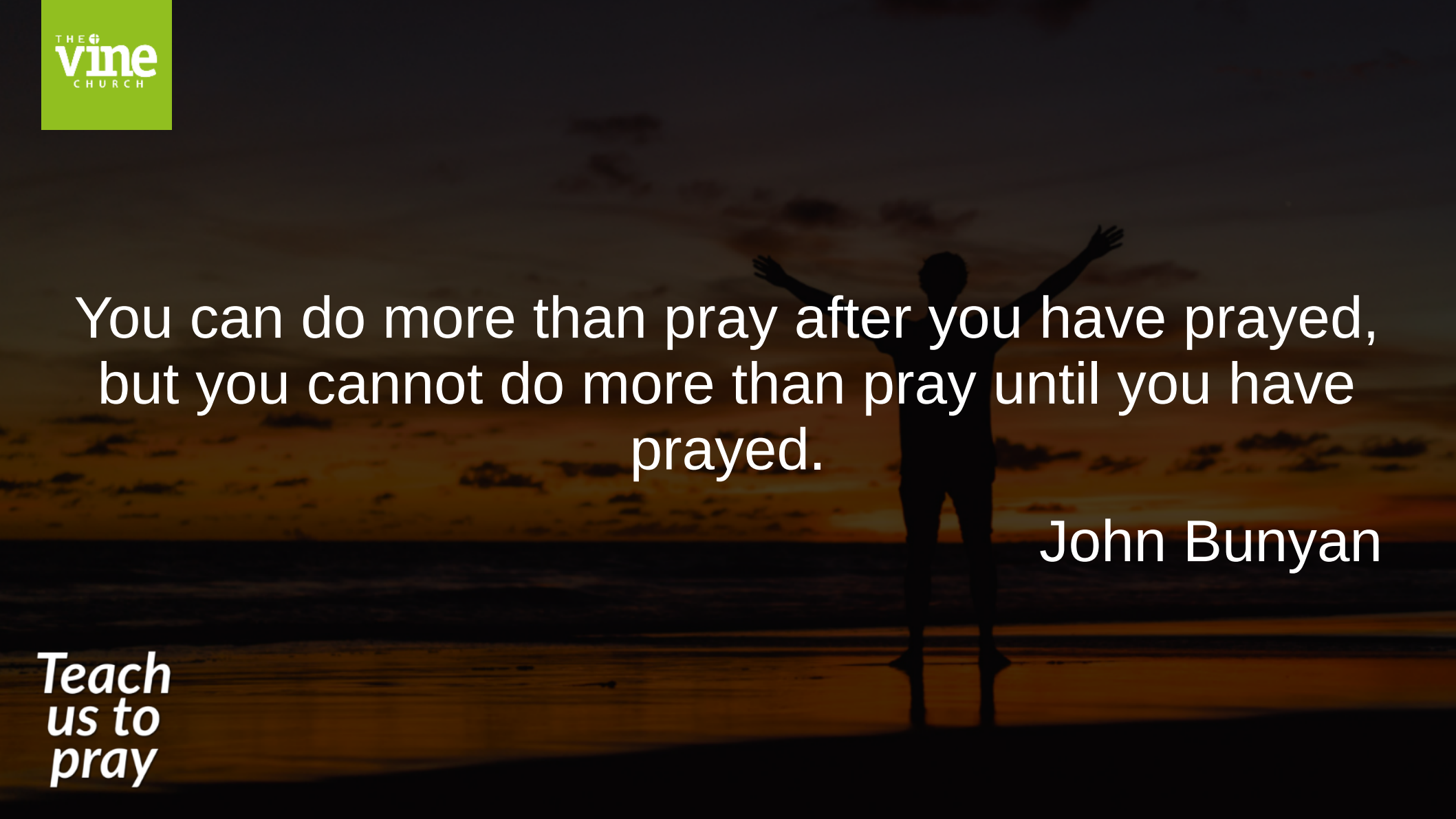
Revelation 21:3

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Questions for reflection:

- 1) What do I *envisage* when I pray that God's kingdom comes on earth?
- 2) What part am I playing in *being* the answer to that prayer?

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You can do more than pray after you have prayed,
but you cannot do more than pray until you have
prayed.

John Bunyan

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Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come. Your will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us each day our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we also
forgive everyone who sins against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from the evil one.

For yours is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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