

What did Jesus teach in his **Parables?**

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What did Jesus Teach

The Kingdom of God/ Kingdom of Heaven

THE PLACE OF OBEDIENCE
TO THE RULE OF GOD -

Accountability and Judgment

WHAT WE DO NOW
COUNTS FOR ETERNITY

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The Inevitable Growth of the Kingdom

PARABLES OF SEEDS &
GROWTH

Deep Principles of the Kingdom


INCLUDING CONTROVERSIAL
PARABLES



01

Jesus taught the Kingdom of God

THE CENTRAL 'PHILOSOPHY' OF JESUS



**There is no
Kingdom without:
a King & Obedience
to the King**



Jesus Expects our Obedience out of Love

If you love me, you will
keep my commandments

– John 14:15



02

The Inevitable Growth of the Kingdom of God


THROUGH HISTORY

God Ensures the Growth of the Kingdom



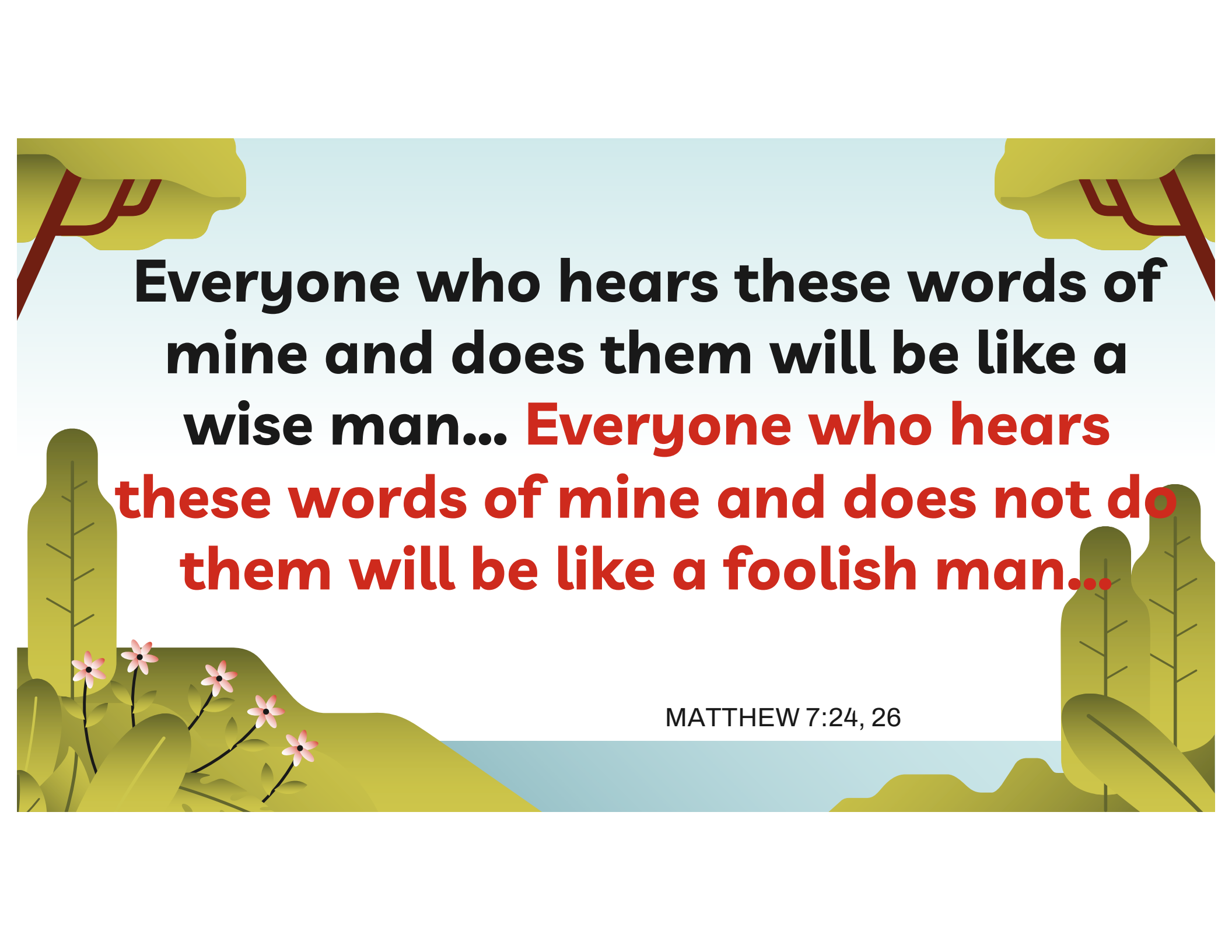
Parable of the Mustard Seed - Mt 13:31-32

The Kingdom of heaven is like a grain of mustard seed that a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is larger than all the garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.



03
**Accountability &
Judgment re: the Kingdom
of God**

HUMANITY IS ACCOUNTABLE TO ITS MAKER



Everyone who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man... Everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man...

MATTHEW 7:24, 26



04

Deep Principles of the Kingdom of God

FOR TIME AND ETERNITY



The Parable of the Persistent Widow

And Jesus told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Give me justice against my adversary.’”

For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, ‘Though I neither fear God nor respect man, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.’”



The Parable of the Persistent Widow

And the Lord said, Hear what the unrighteous judge says. And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily.

Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

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The Unrighteous Judge

Does not fear God

Therefore: unaccountable

**Does not respect
people**

Therefore: uncaring

The Challenge of Prayer

**Entering the
Spiritual
Realm**

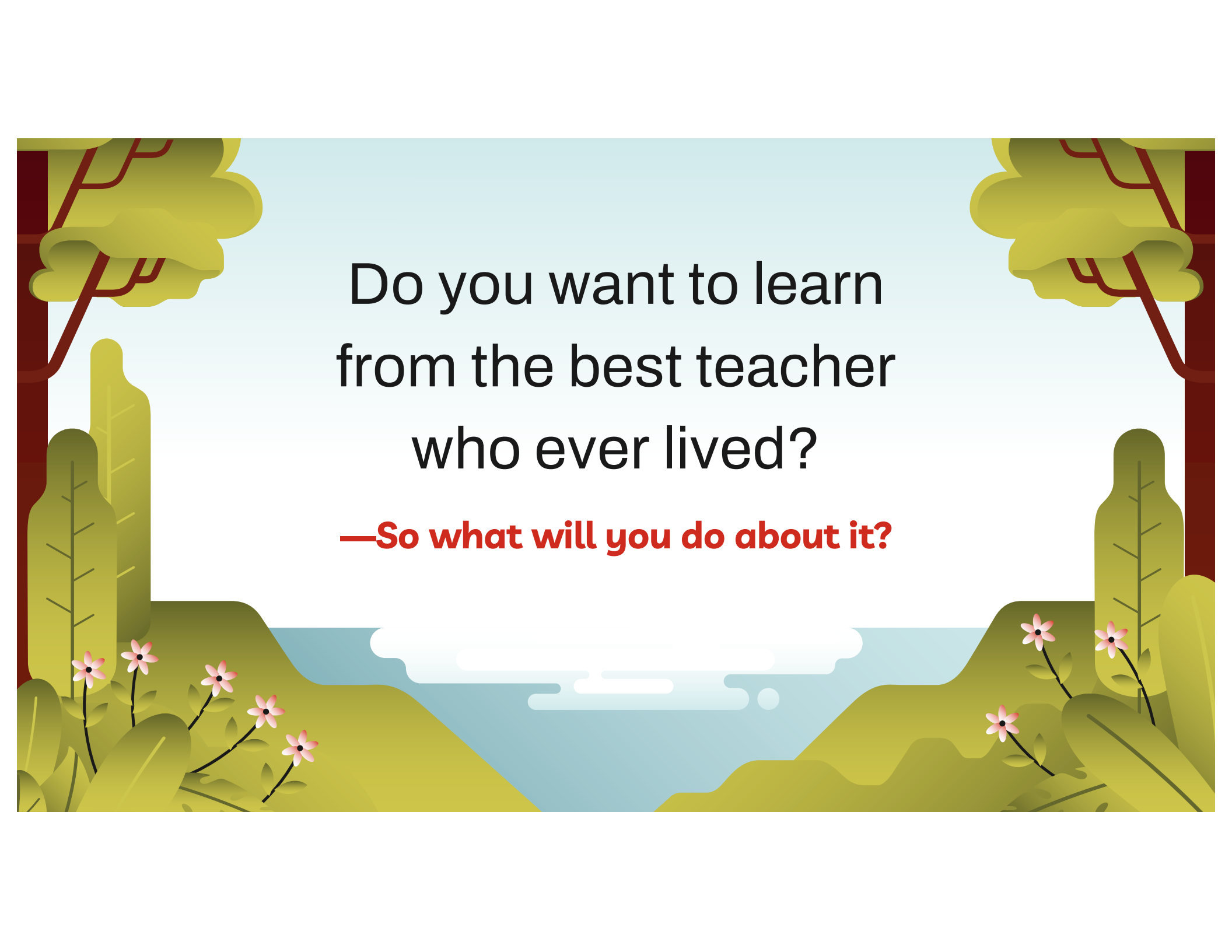
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AND UNSEEN

**Beyond
Wishful
Thinking to
Specific
Prayers**

CONSCIOUS
ACTIONS IN LIGHT
OF THE KINGDOM
OF GOD

**The
Discipline of
Persisting in
Prayer**

KNOW GOD &
NEVER QUIT



Do you want to learn
from the best teacher
who ever lived?

—So what will you do about it?

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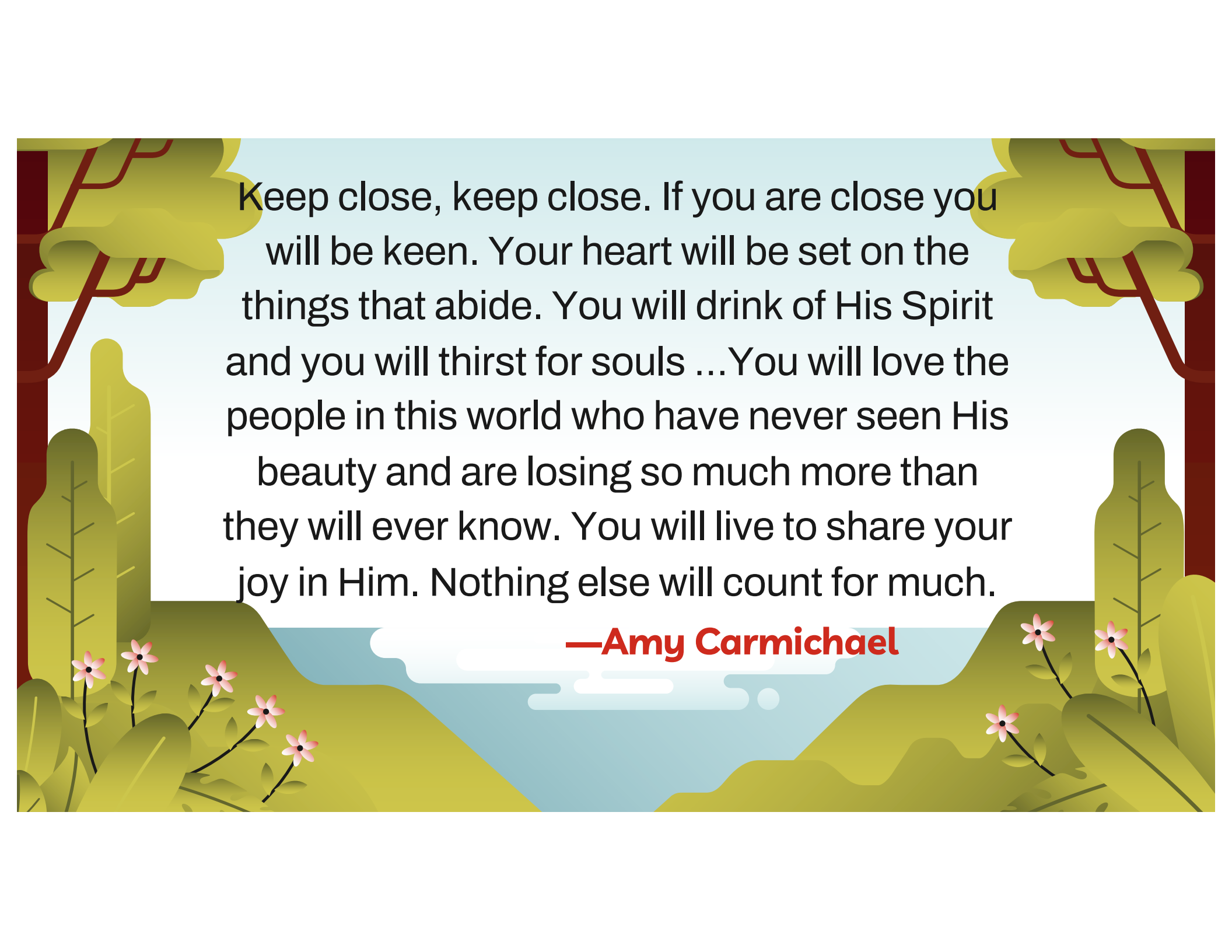
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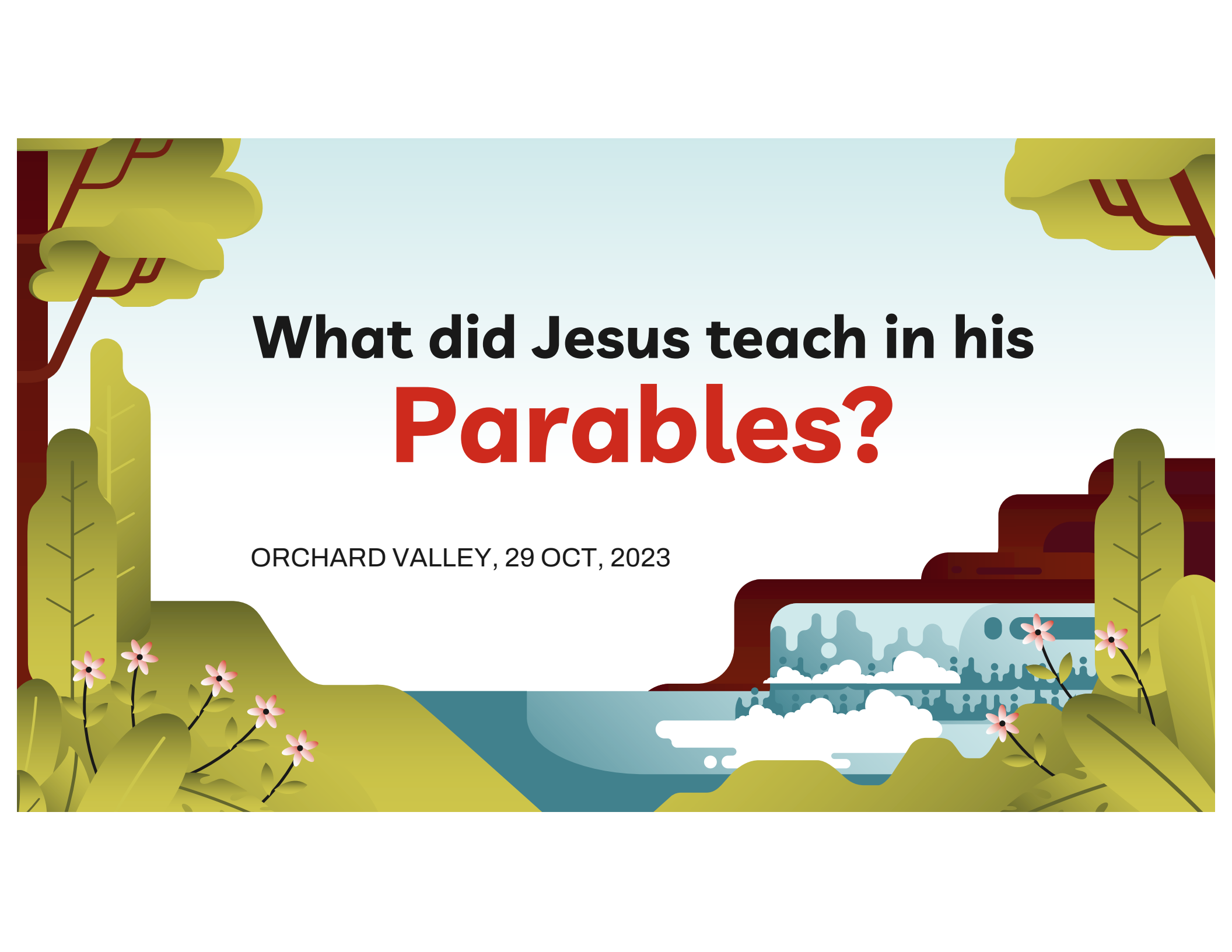
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—Amy Carmichael



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