



John 11:21,32 – “Why weren’t You here?”



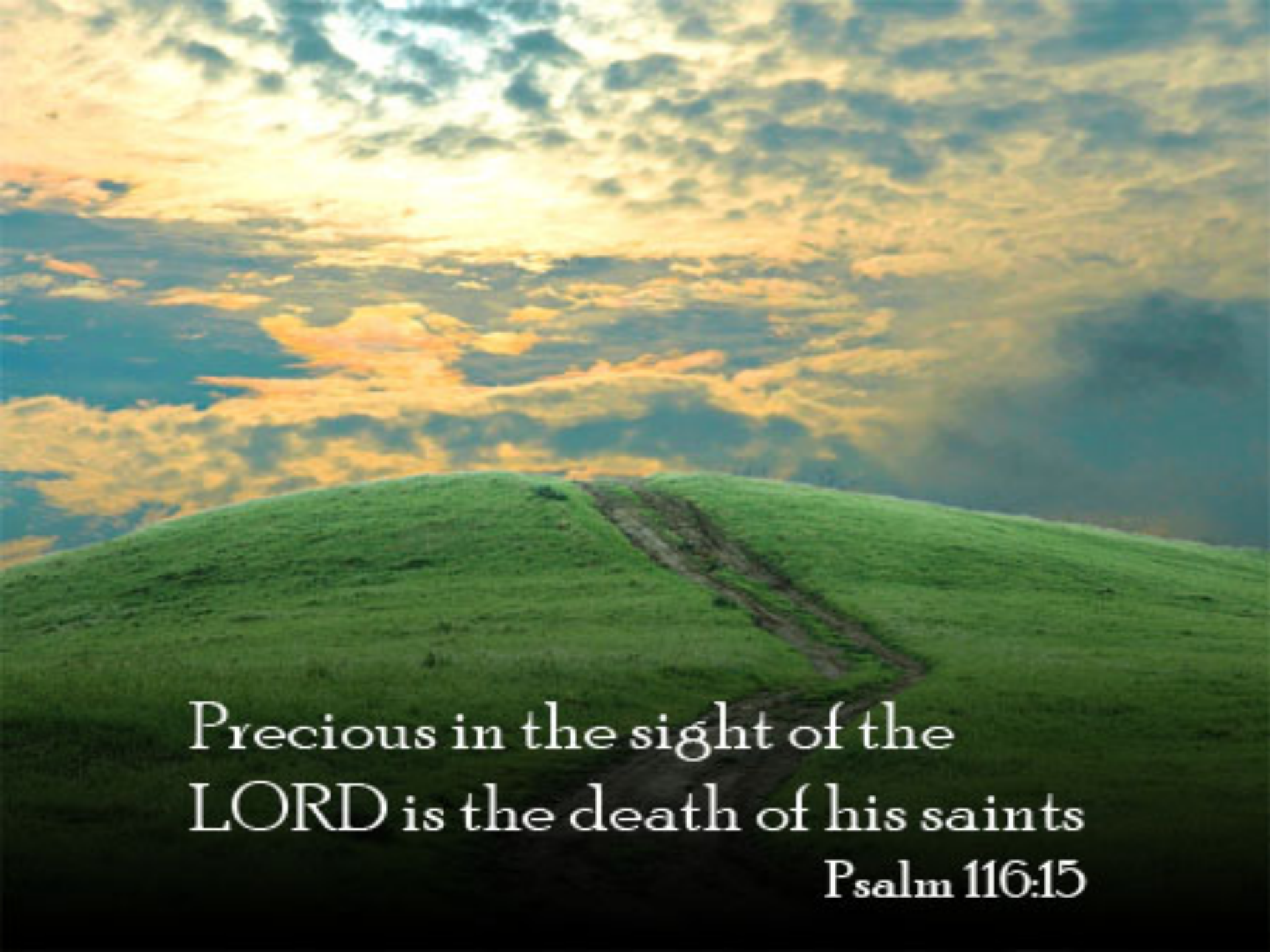
**We believe God can help;
why didn't He come?**

Precious

**A concept taught in
Psalm 116 can help.**



Psalm 116: The Experience Of Death Among God's People



Precious in the sight of the
LORD is the death of his saints
Psalm 116:15

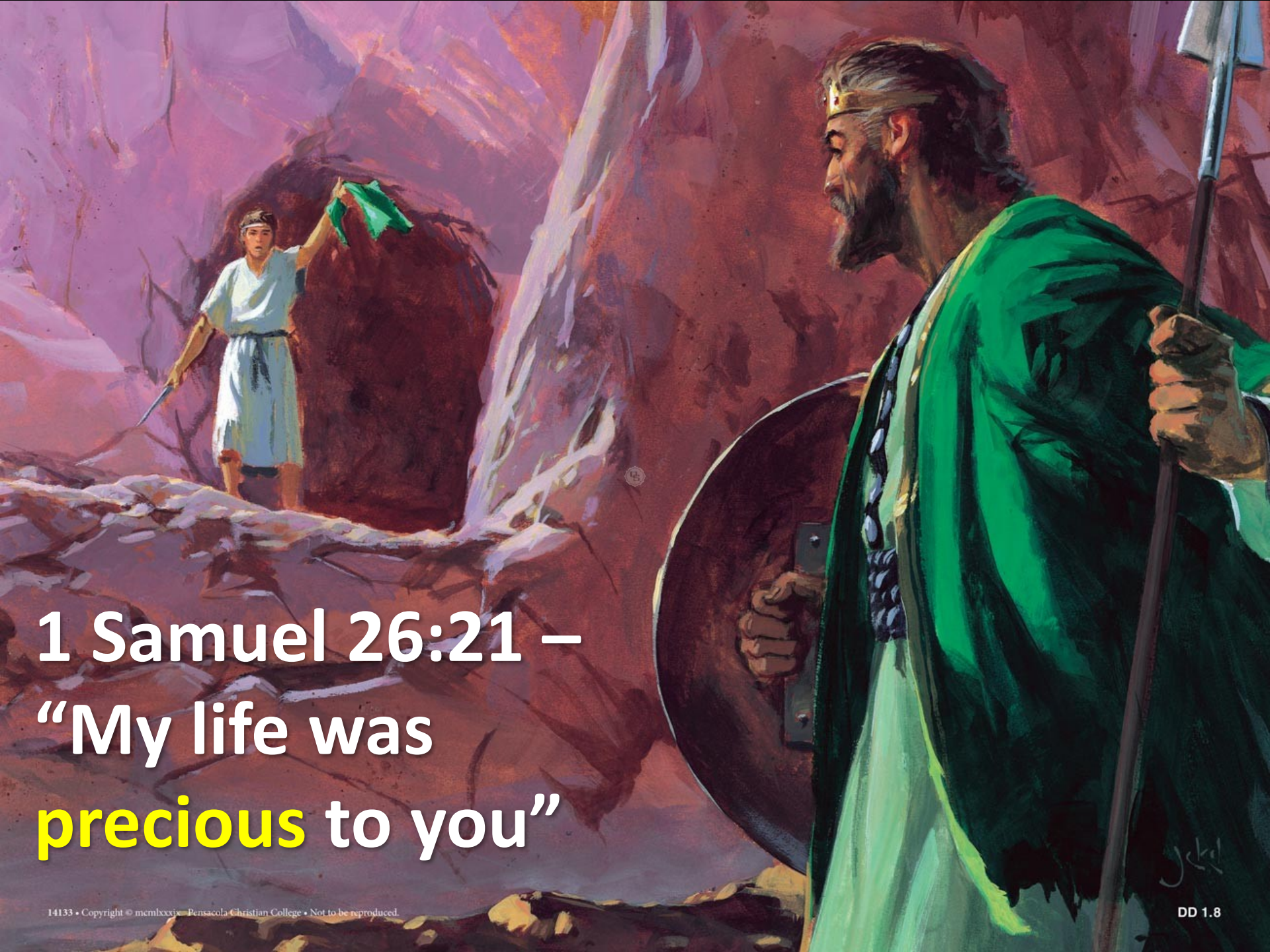
God's Saints and Death

Psalm 116:1-4 – A close call with death; God heard “my pleas for mercy”.

Psalm 116:5-9 – God “saved me ... I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.”



1 Kings 10:2 – “**Precious** stones”



1 Samuel 26:21 –
“My life was
precious to you”



God is “watching over what takes place even when His saints are not rescued” (H.C. Leupold).



**God's Saints Are
Precious To Him,**

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GOLD
WITH US

Matthew 1:22,23

Precious To God

John 11:32-36 – Jesus came to be with them at their time of grief.

Matthew 10:29-31 – Not one sparrow falls “apart from your Father”.

Luke 16:22 – Did anyone notice the beggar’s death? God clearly did.



**"NEVER WILL I LEAVE YOU
NEVER WILL I FORSAKE YOU"**

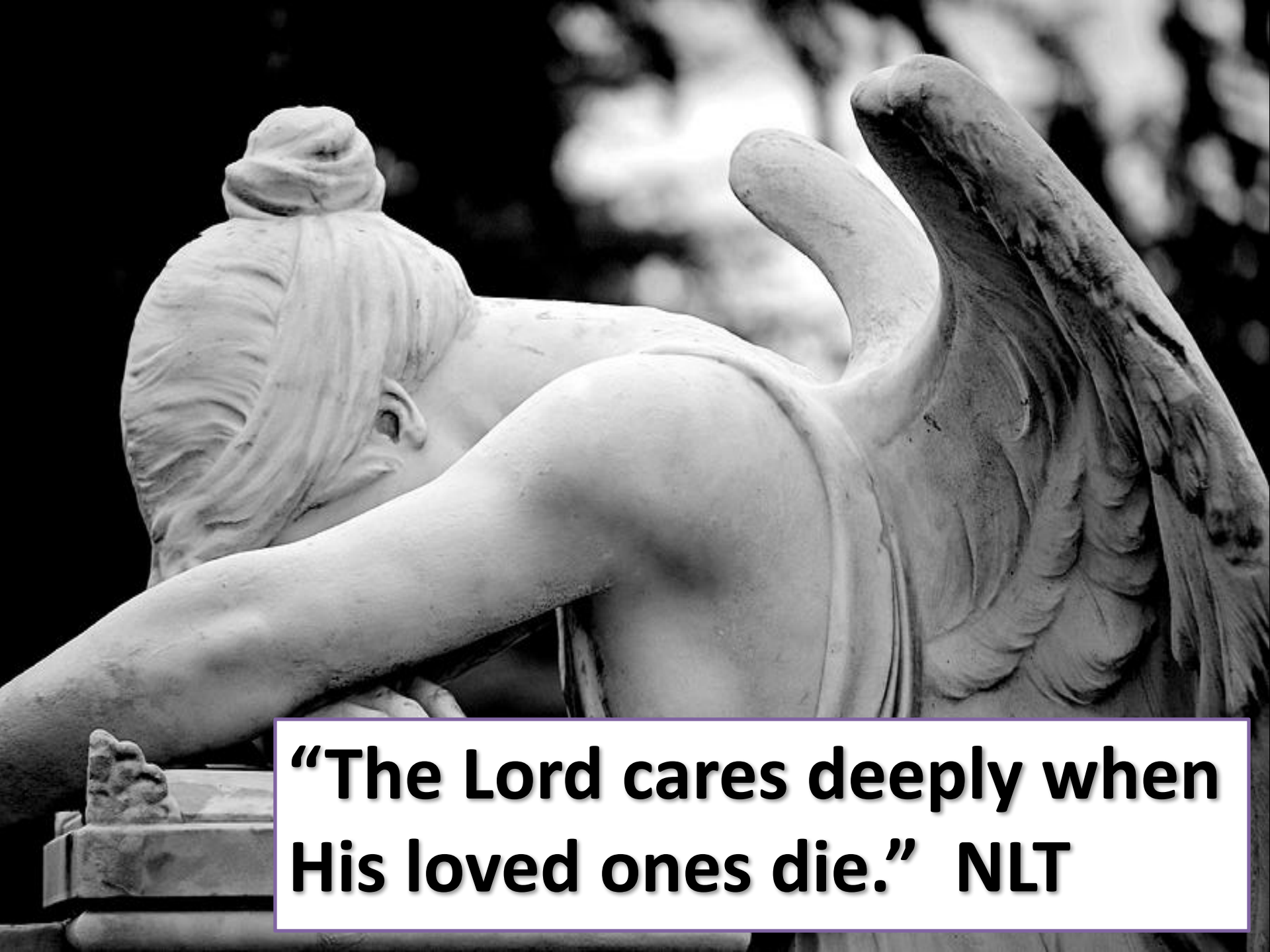
HEBREWS 13:5

Precious To God

“The death of the Lord’s faithful is a costly loss in His eyes.” CEB

“Very dear to the Lord are the lives of His followers. He cares when they face death.” ERV

“The Lord values the lives of His faithful followers.” NET



**“The Lord cares deeply when
His loved ones die.” NLT**

Jesus Loves the Little Children...



They are **precious** in His sight!

**Even when
prayers for
deliverance
from death are
not granted ...**



