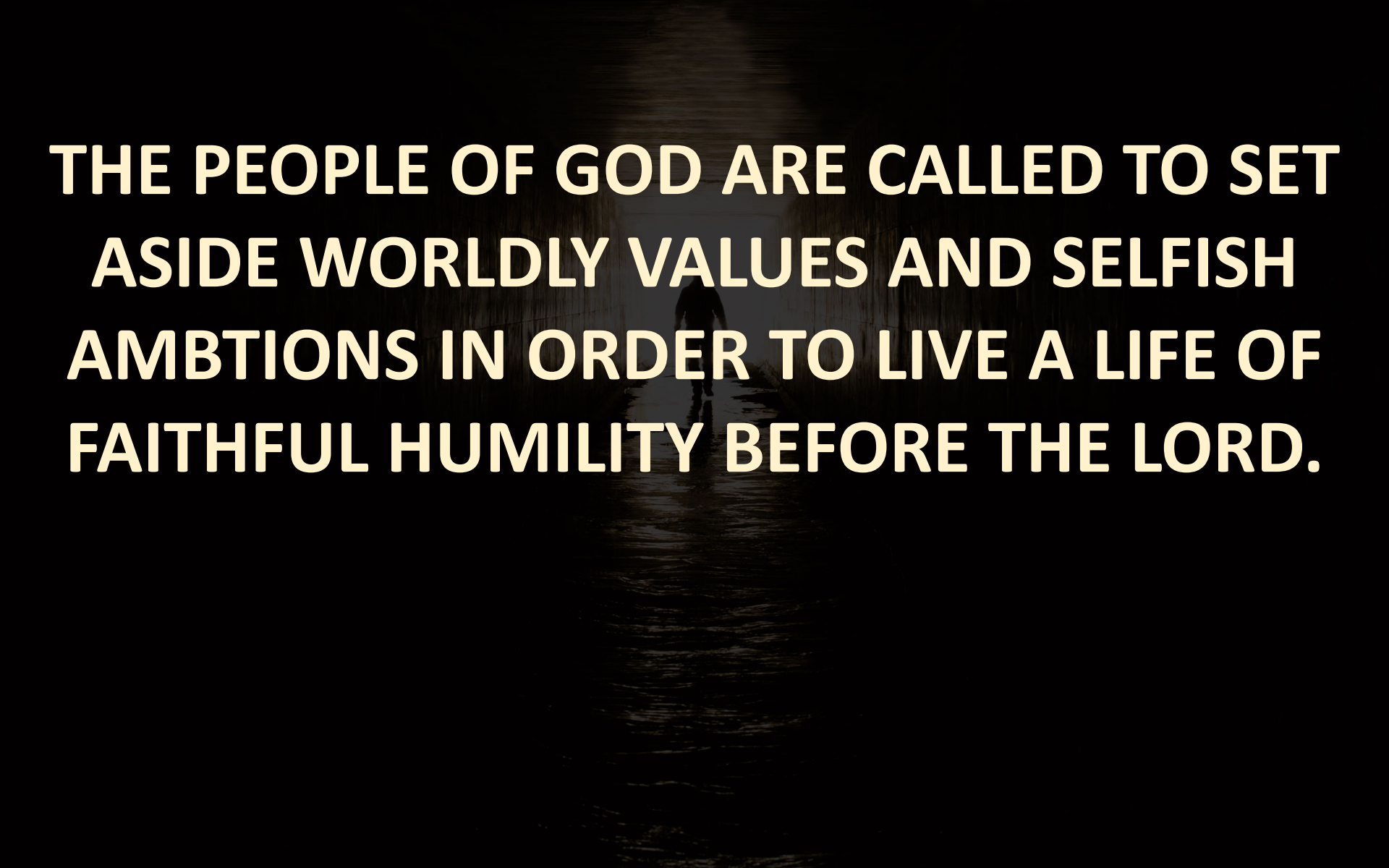


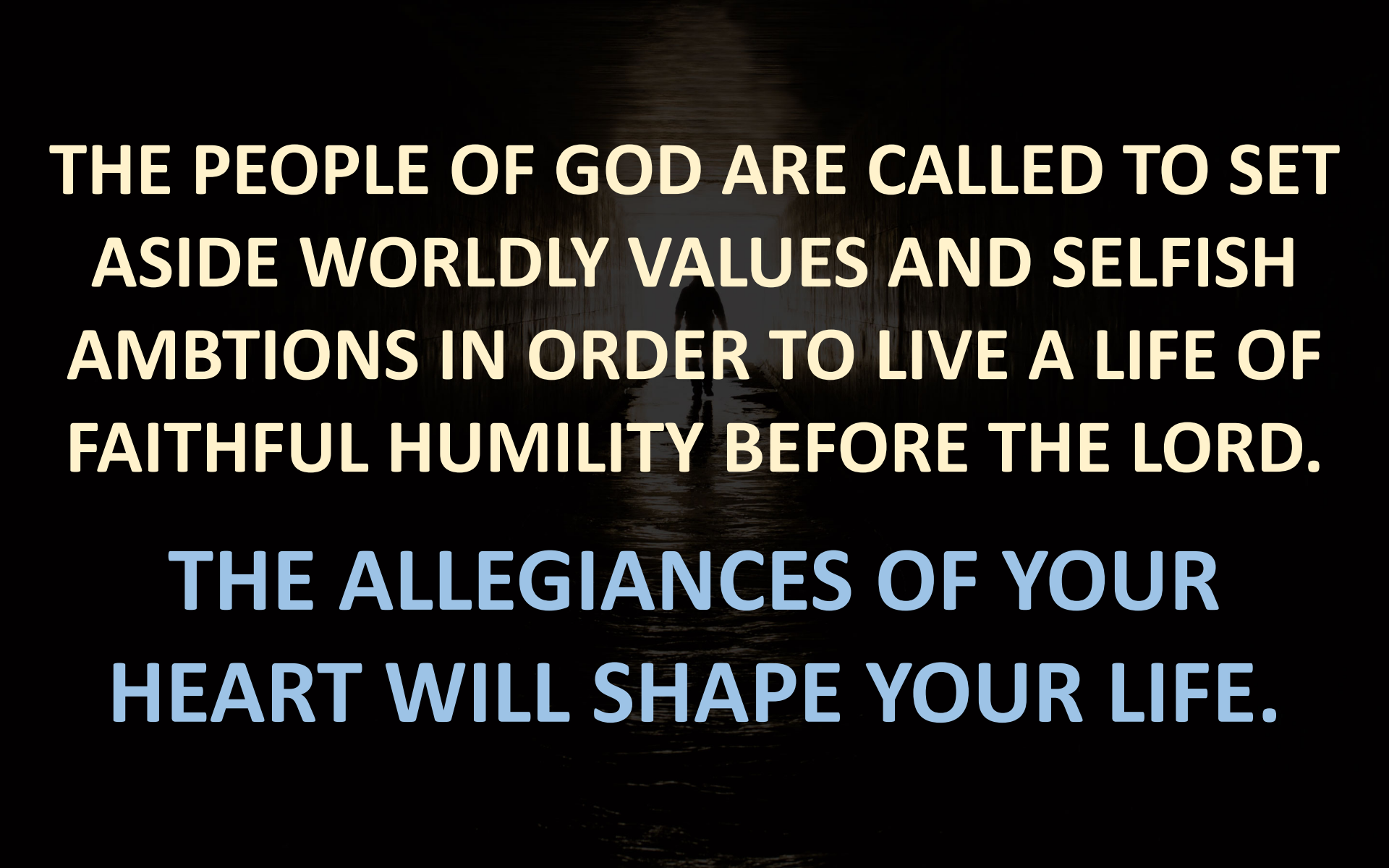


WALK THE WALK

James 4:1-12

A dark, atmospheric photograph of a person walking away on a path that is perfectly reflected in a body of water. The scene is dimly lit, with the person's silhouette and the path's reflection being the primary light sources. The overall mood is contemplative and serene.

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Passionate pursuit of pleasure, often with a lust for more.

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A dark, narrow hallway with a person walking away from the camera towards a bright light at the end. The text is overlaid in the center.

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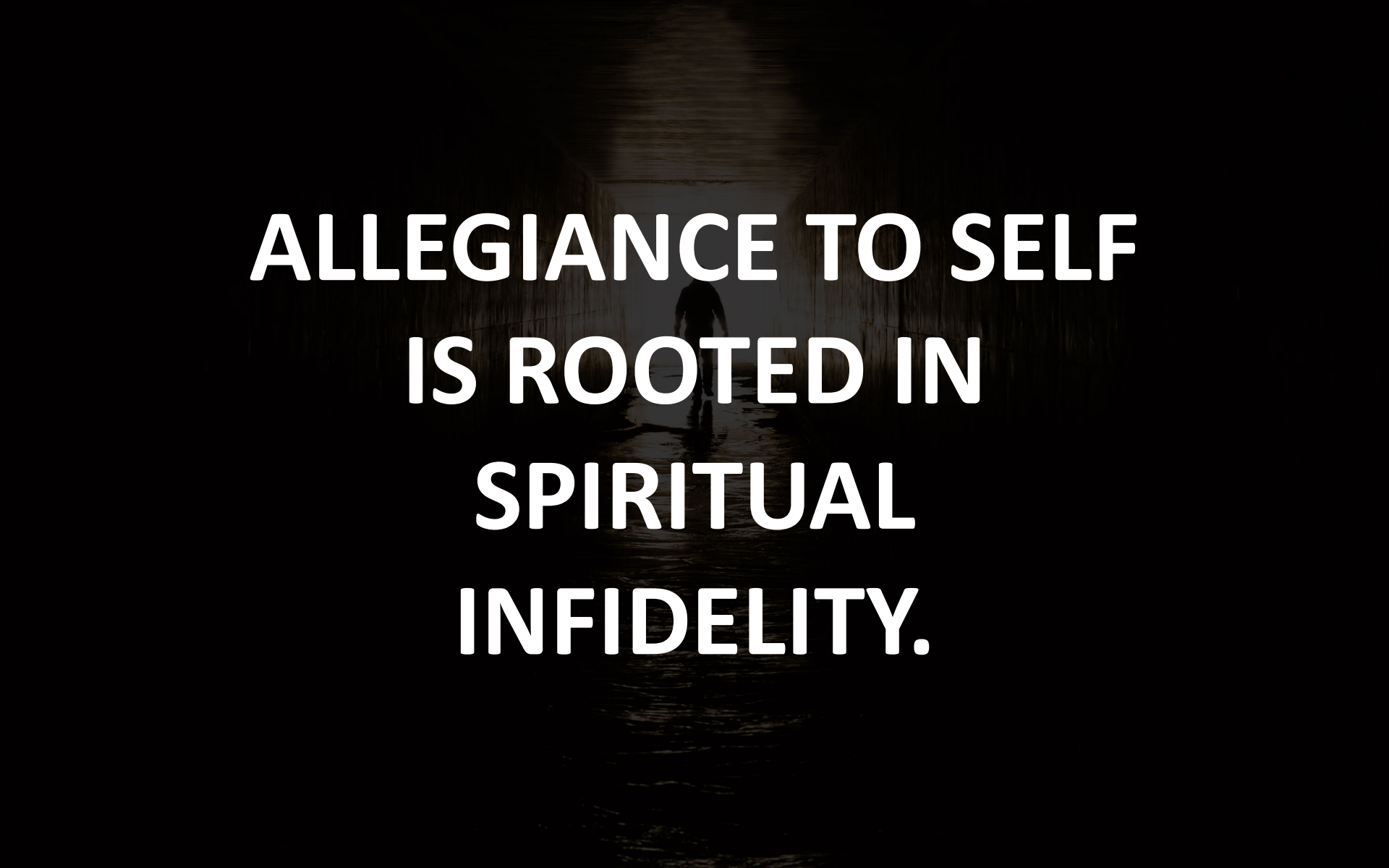


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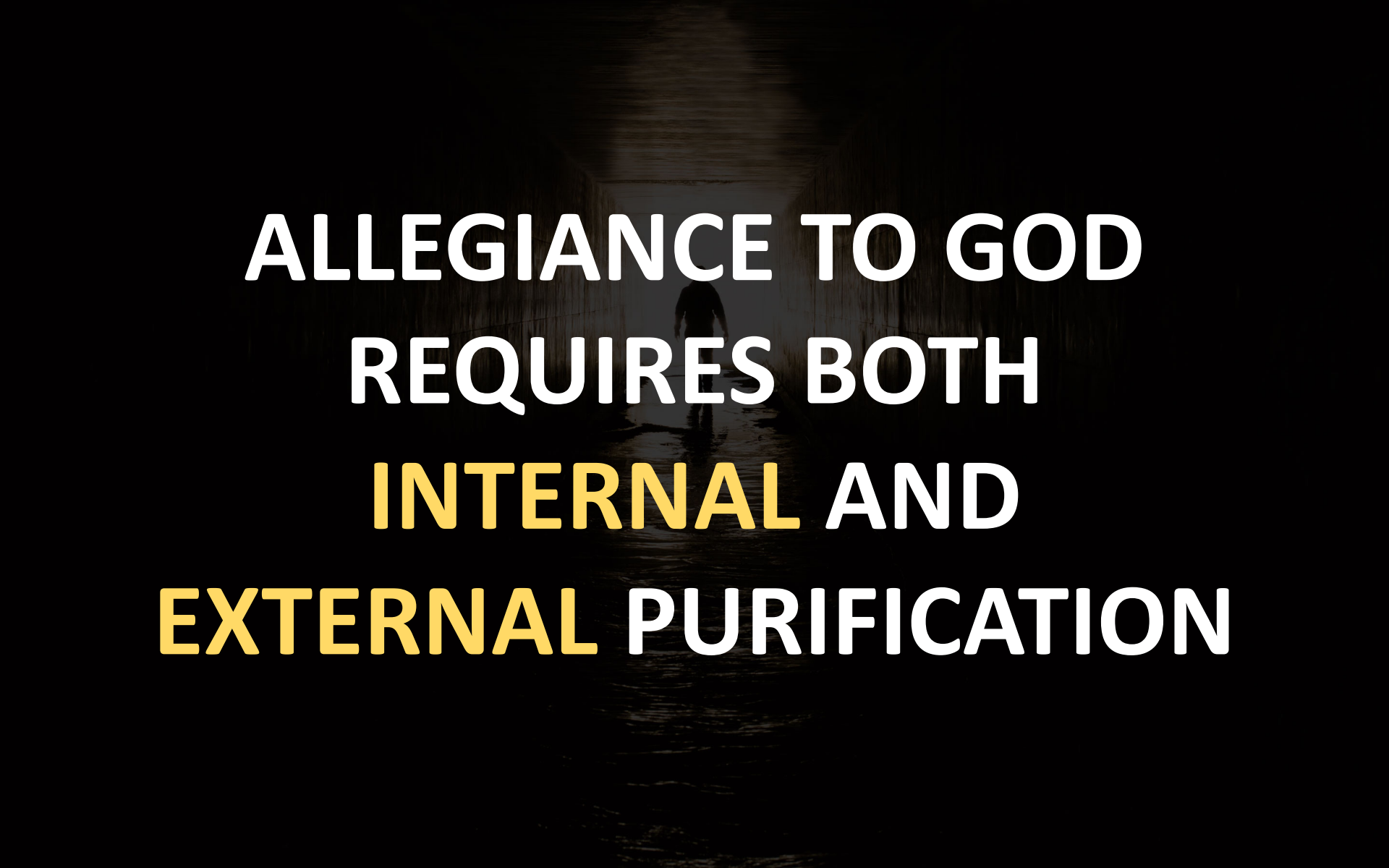
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