



Medicine And Miracles

Ministering With Faith To The Terminally Ill





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Introduction

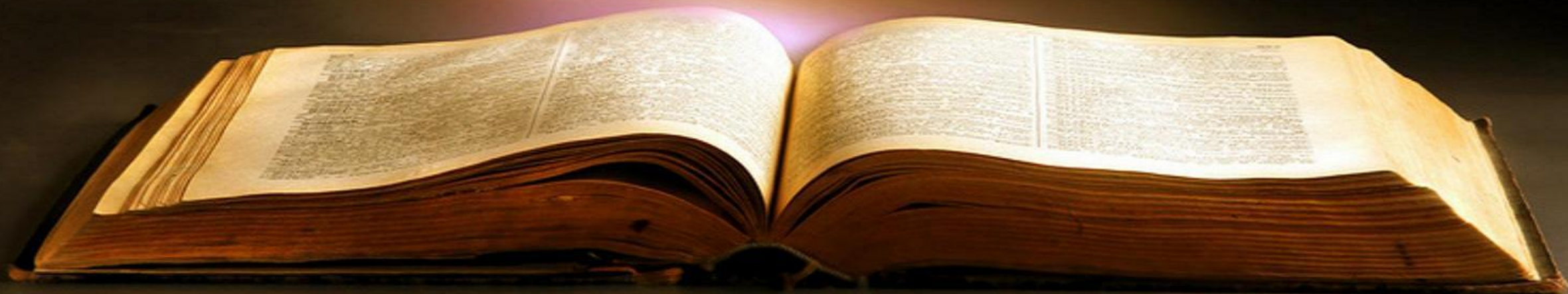
Medicine and miracles both reveal God's **mercy**.

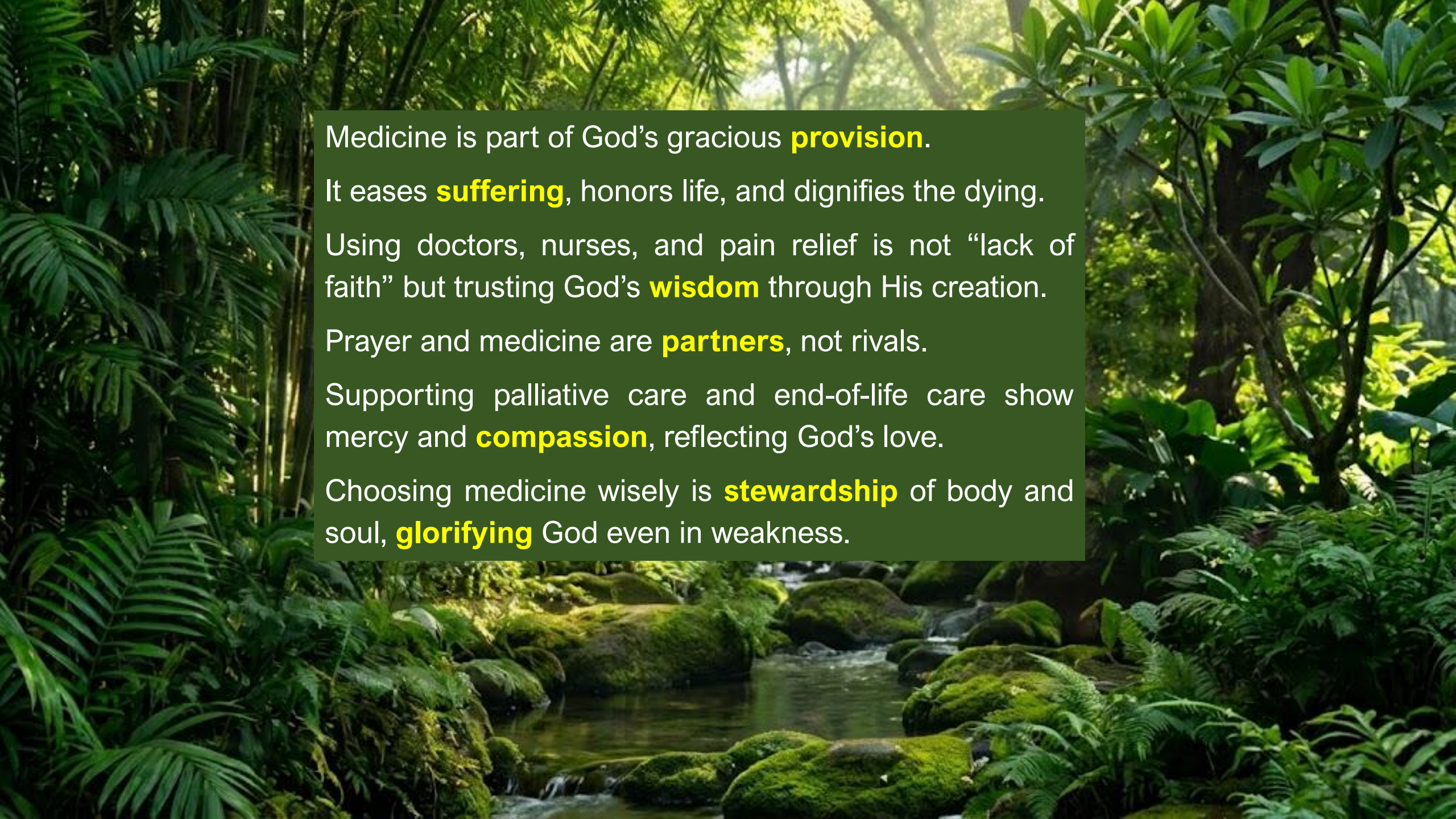
For the terminally ill, faith means trusting His **presence**,
whether through healing, peace, or eternal hope.

Caregivers embody Christ's **love** in gentle companionship.



1. What Does the Bible Say About Medicine?





Medicine is part of God's gracious **provision**.

It eases **suffering**, honors life, and dignifies the dying.

Using doctors, nurses, and pain relief is not "lack of faith" but trusting God's **wisdom** through His creation.

Prayer and medicine are **partners**, not rivals.

Supporting palliative care and end-of-life care show mercy and **compassion**, reflecting God's love.

Choosing medicine wisely is **stewardship** of body and soul, **glorifying** God even in weakness.



Example of Medicinal Healing

Now Isaiah had said, 'Let them take a **cake of figs** and apply it to the boil, that he may recover.' - **Isaiah 38:21**



Here, God's prophet prescribed a **poultice of figs**—a natural remedy—to treat King Hezekiah's terminal illness.

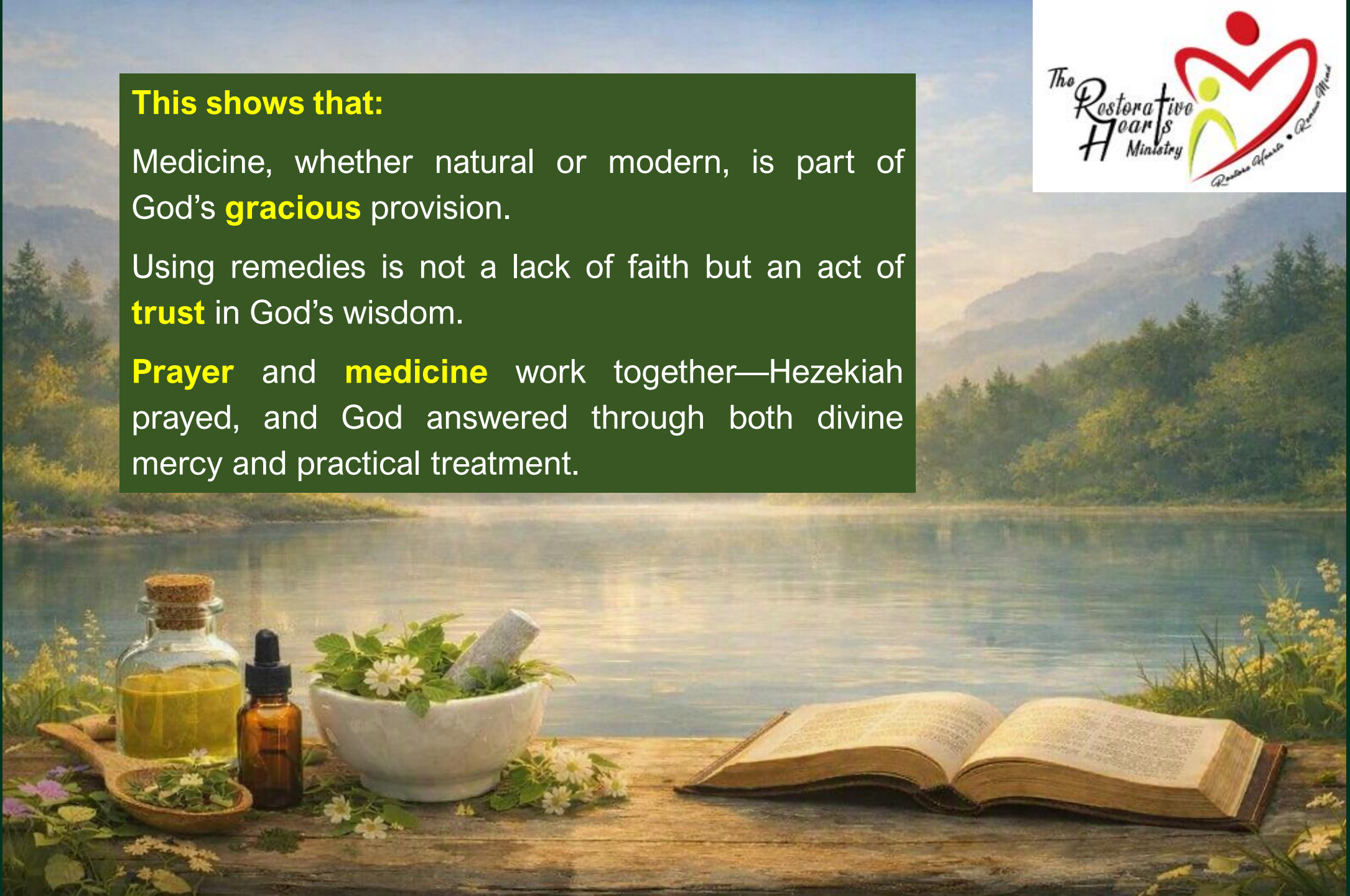
The **healing** was ultimately from God, but He worked through a **medicinal** means.

This shows that:

Medicine, whether natural or modern, is part of God's **gracious** provision.

Using remedies is not a lack of faith but an act of **trust** in God's wisdom.

Prayer and **medicine** work together—Hezekiah prayed, and God answered through both divine mercy and practical treatment.



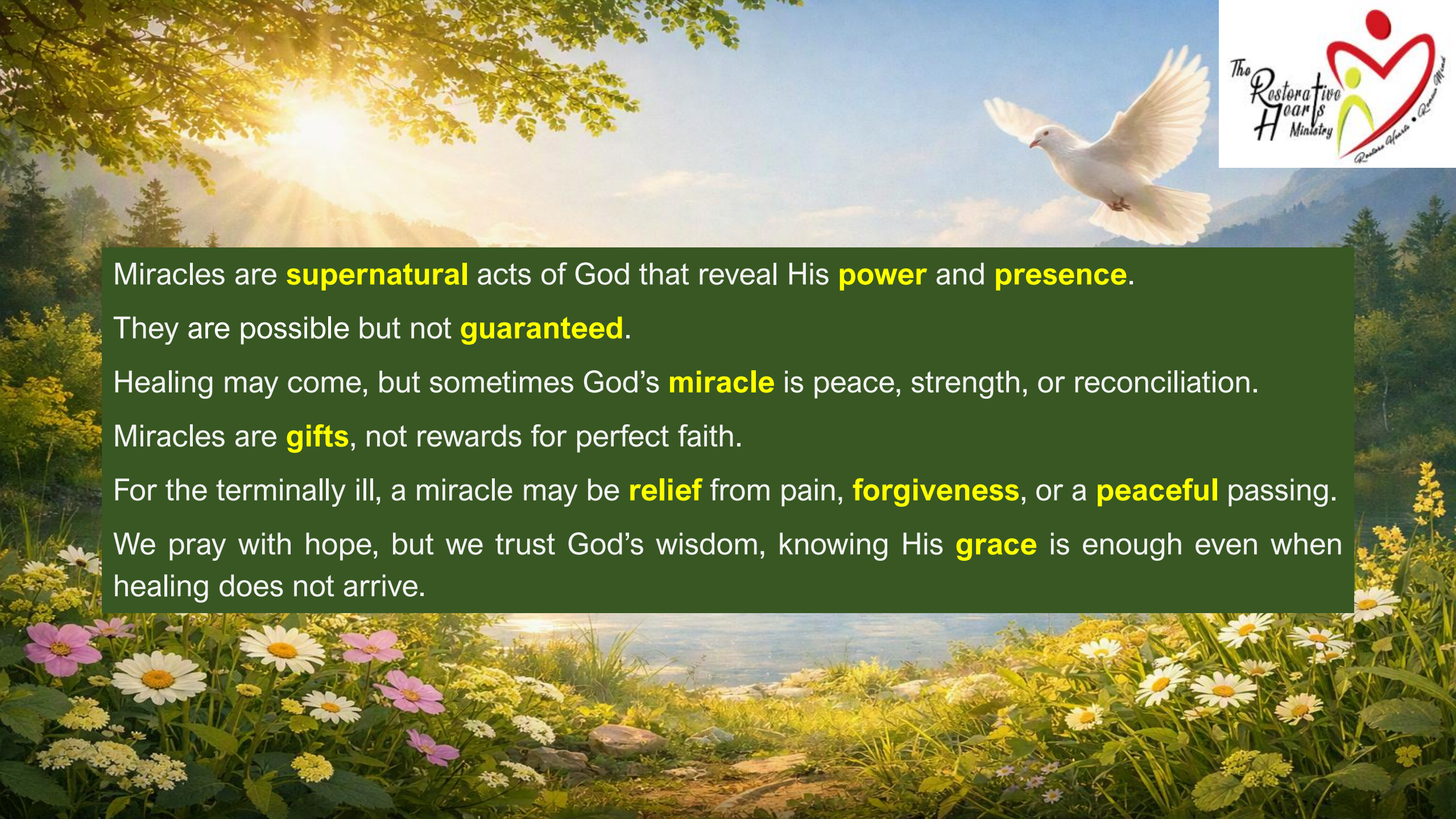


*Every good gift and every **perfect gift** is from above,
coming down from the **Father** of lights, with whom
there is no variation or shadow due to change.*

— **James 1:17 (ESV)**

2. What Is the Biblical Understanding of Miracles?





Miracles are **supernatural** acts of God that reveal His **power** and **presence**.

They are possible but not **guaranteed**.

Healing may come, but sometimes God's **miracle** is peace, strength, or reconciliation.

Miracles are **gifts**, not rewards for perfect faith.

For the terminally ill, a miracle may be **relief** from pain, **forgiveness**, or a **peaceful** passing.

We pray with hope, but we trust God's wisdom, knowing His **grace** is enough even when healing does not arrive.



Example of Miraculous of Healing

*While he was in one of the cities, there came a man **full of leprosy**. And when he saw Jesus, he fell on his face and begged him, 'Lord, if you will, you can make me clean.' And Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, saying, 'I will; be clean.' And immediately the **leprosy left him**.*

- Luke 5:12–13 (ESV)

This was supernatural because leprosy was **incurable** and socially isolating.

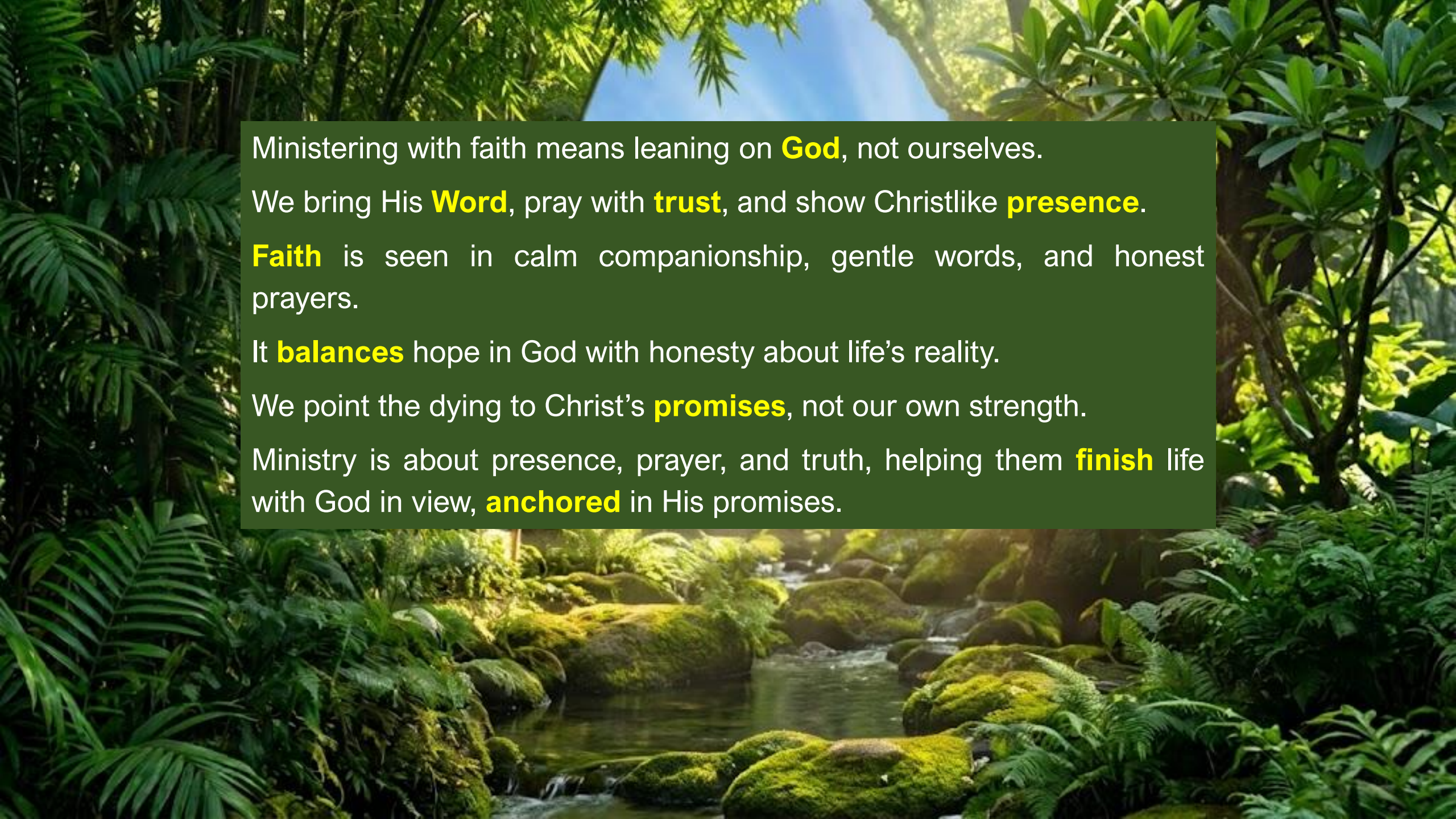
The miracle **revealed** God's compassion, power, and presence.

Yet notice: the man's healing was not a reward for perfect faith—it was a gift of **mercy**.

For the terminally ill, this shows that while healing is possible, God's **miracle** may also be peace, forgiveness, or readiness for eternal life.

3. What Does It Mean to Minister with Faith?





Ministering with faith means leaning on **God**, not ourselves.

We bring His **Word**, pray with **trust**, and show Christlike **presence**.

Faith is seen in calm companionship, gentle words, and honest prayers.

It **balances** hope in God with honesty about life's reality.

We point the dying to Christ's **promises**, not our own strength.

Ministry is about presence, prayer, and truth, helping them **finish** life with God in view, **anchored** in His promises.

Example of Ministering with Faith

A caregiver visits his loved one in the hospital who is **anxious** about her declining health.

Instead of offering quick reassurances, the caregiver gently opens the Bible and reads **John 14:1–2**: “*Let not your hearts be troubled.*

Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father’s house are many rooms.

If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?”

He then **pray** softly: “Lord Jesus, let Your peace fill this room and assure Your beloved child, my loved one, of Your presence.”

The caregiver doesn't try to **control** the outcome or promise recovery.

His faith is seen in quiet companionship, gentle words, and honest **prayer**—pointing the patient to Christ's **promises** rather than human strength.



*Let not your hearts be troubled.
Believe in God; believe also in me.*

— John 14:1 (ESV)



4. Understanding the Terminally III



The image is a composite. On the right side, an elderly woman with short grey hair is lying in a hospital bed, wearing a light blue hospital gown. She is looking out of a window with a serene expression. The bed has white pillows and a light green blanket. On the left side, a lush garden scene is visible through the window, featuring various colorful flowers like roses and hydrangeas, and green foliage. A dark blue rectangular box with white text is overlaid on the center of the image.

Terminal illness is a **medical** reality, but biblically it is a time for heightened **spiritual** focus.

God remains **near**, offering mercy, forgiveness, and eternal **hope**.

Death may be certain, but **God** is sovereign and good.

Caregivers help patients face this **final** stretch with courage, peace, and **faith** in Christ.

Being terminally ill is not abandonment by God, but a moment to rest in His **promises** and prepare for **eternity** with Him.



Psalm 73:26

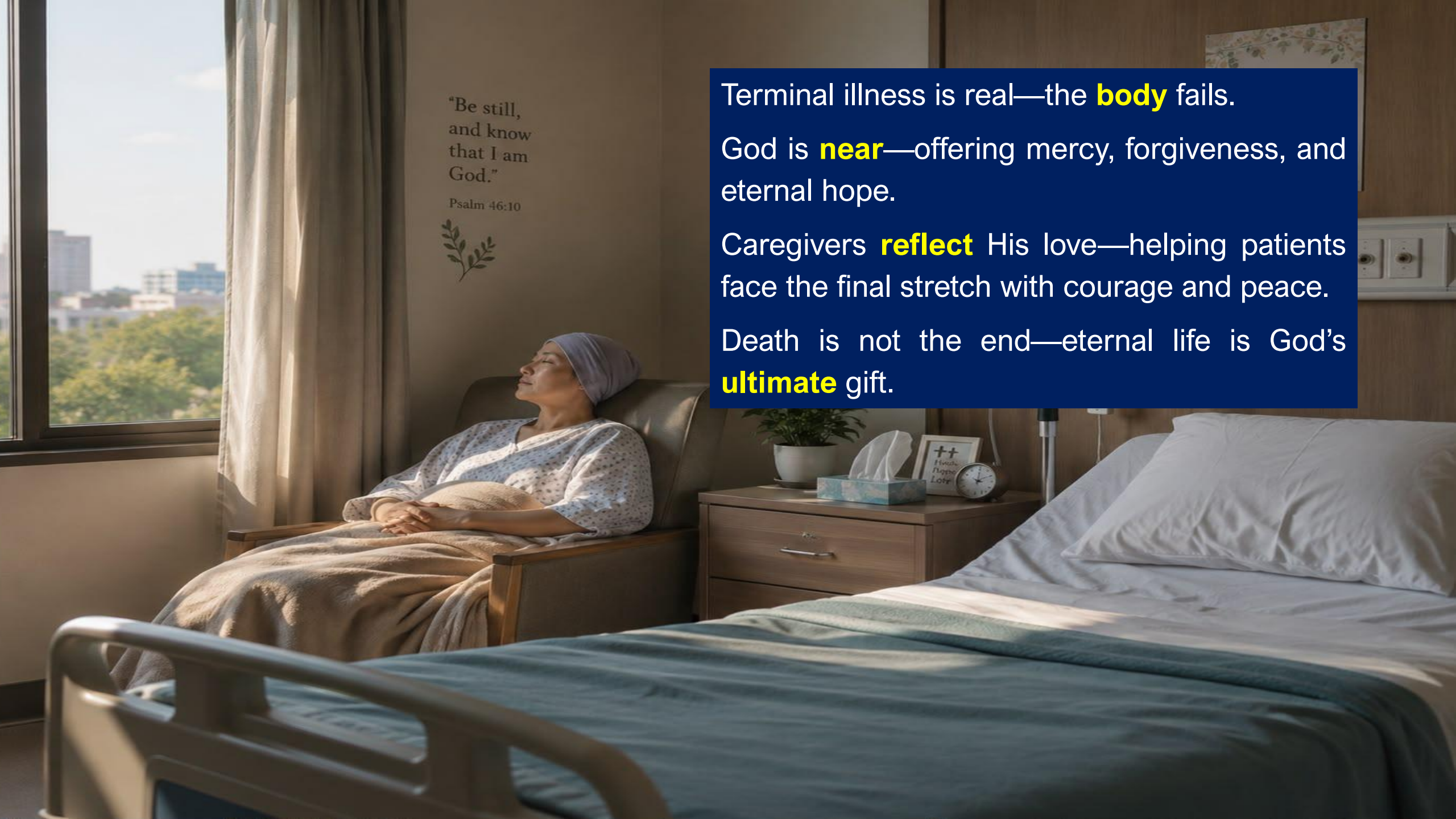
*My flesh and my heart may fail, but
God is the strength of my heart and my
portion forever.*

Here, the psalmist acknowledges the reality of **physical** decline—and this would lead to **terminal** illness one day.

Yet he **affirms** that even as the body fails, God remains the **eternal** strength and hope.

This is a powerful picture of how the **Bible** frames terminal illness: not as abandonment, but as a moment to **rest** in God's promises and **prepare** for eternity.





"Be still,
and know
that I am
God."

Psalm 46:10



Terminal illness is real—the **body** fails.

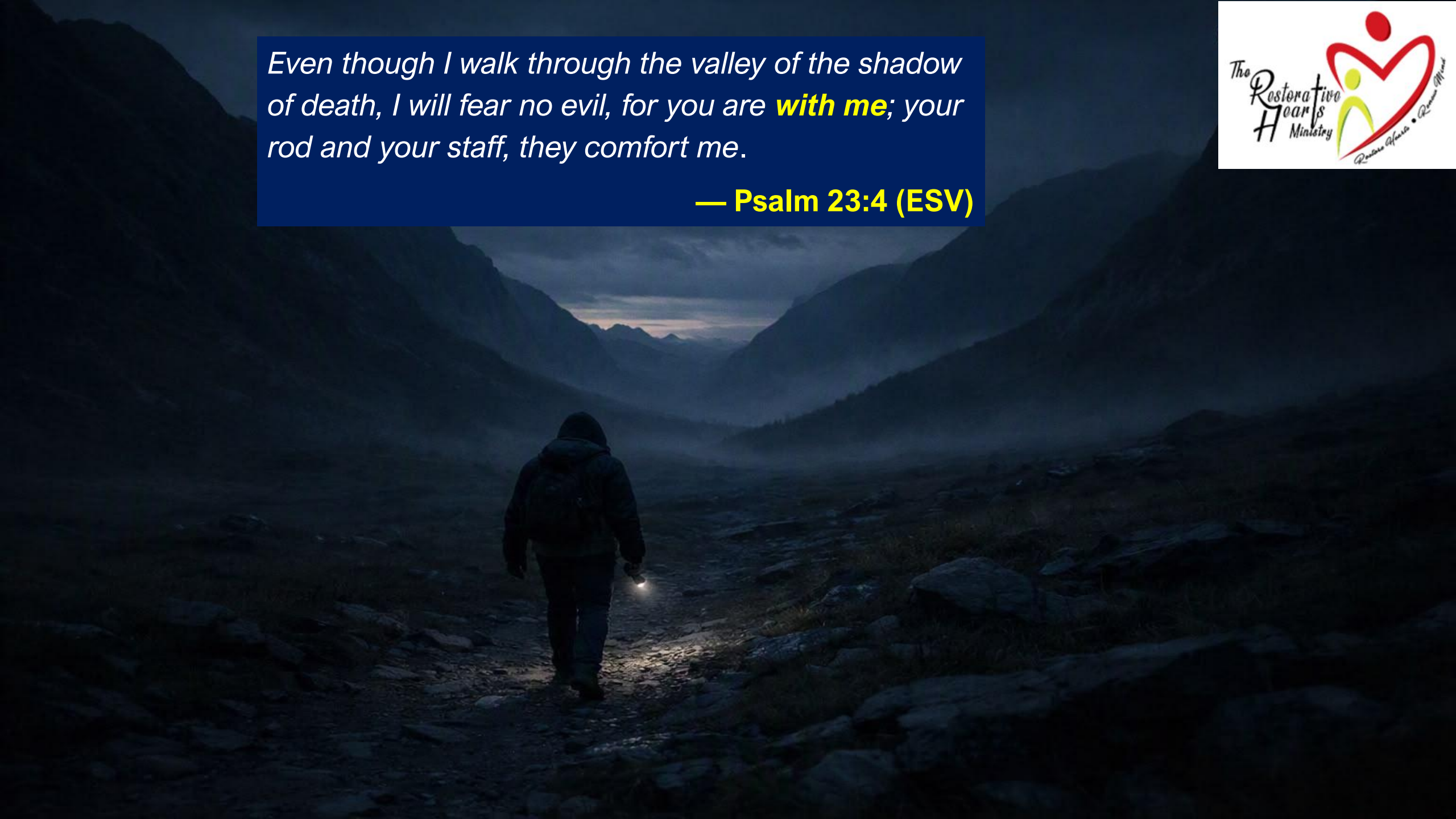
God is **near**—offering mercy, forgiveness, and eternal hope.

Caregivers **reflect** His love—helping patients face the final stretch with courage and peace.

Death is not the end—eternal life is God's **ultimate** gift.

*Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are **with me**; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.*

— Psalm 23:4 (ESV)





5. Five Practical Ways to Minister to the Terminally Ill

Care means **presence**, not just answers. Sit quietly, listen, and pray. **Visit** even when they are tired, not only when they are alert. Trust God's **timing** while supporting medicine. Speak **hope**, not fear.

Bring short Scripture verses to anchor **comfort**. Ministry is not about fixing everything but showing Christ's **love** through presence, prayer, and gentle companionship. This reflects Jesus' **compassion**, who sat with the grieving before speaking or healing.



*God is our refuge and strength, a very **present** help
in trouble.*

— Psalm 46:1 (ESV)





Practical Ways

to minister to the terminal ill

1. Sit quietly and listen without trying to fix everything.

*Listening without **fixing** shows love, gives dignity, and allows God's presence to comfort without pressure or forced answers.*



2. Visit even when they are tired, not only when alert.

*Visiting when tired communicates care **beyond** conversation, showing presence matters more than words, and love does not demand energy.*





3. Hold their hand, wipe tears, or pray silently.

***Gentle** touch and **silent** prayer reassure them of God's nearness, bringing comfort, peace, and dignity when words are too heavy.*

4. Read short Scripture verses aloud for comfort.

*Simple verses anchor hope, **reminding** them of God's promises, peace, and strength, even when they cannot engage in long conversation.*



A woman wearing a purple headscarf and a patterned hospital gown is sitting in a leather armchair, looking out a large window with sheer curtains. The room is a hospital or hospice room, featuring a hospital bed with white linens in the foreground, a wooden bedside table with a potted plant, a tissue box, a clock, and a small framed sign. On the wall, there is a quote from Psalm 46:10 and a small leafy branch decoration. A blue text box with yellow and white text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

5. Support palliative care and respect medical advice

*Encouraging pain relief and hospice care honors life, eases suffering, and reflects God's **mercy** through medicine alongside prayerful faith.*



6. Five Helpful Ways to Pray for the Terminally Ill

Prayer should be gentle, **respectful**, and Scripture-based.

Ask permission, focus on God's presence, and pray for **peace**, forgiveness, and readiness.

Even when healing does not come, prayer expresses **faith** that God is near.

Silent or spoken, **prayer** anchors the dying in God's promises and comforts caregivers too.

Prayer is not about control but **communion**, resting in God's wisdom and trusting His answers, whether healing, peace, or strength.

*Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made **known** to God.*

— Philipians 4:6 (ESV)



Five Helpful Ways to Pray





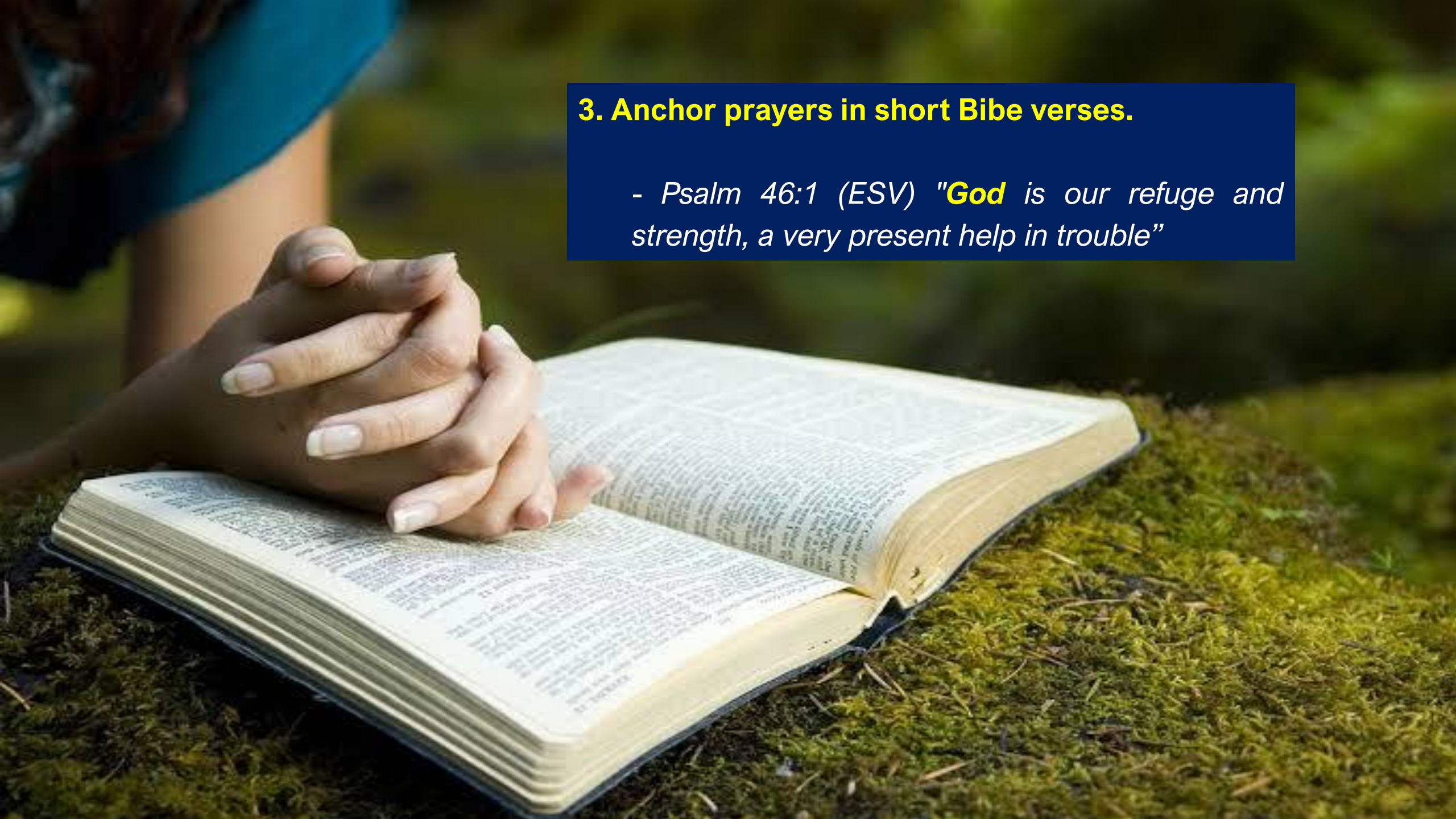
1. Ask permission before praying aloud.

*Asking **permission** before praying aloud shows respect, honors dignity, avoids pressure, builds trust, and ensures prayer is received as love.*

2. Pray for God's presence, not only healing.

*Praying for God's presence, not only healing, matters because His nearness brings peace, courage, forgiveness, and **eternal** hope beyond physical recovery.*



A close-up photograph of a person's hands clasped in prayer, resting on an open Bible. The Bible is lying on a bed of green moss. The person is wearing a blue sleeve. The background is a soft-focus green, suggesting an outdoor setting. A dark blue text box is overlaid on the right side of the image.

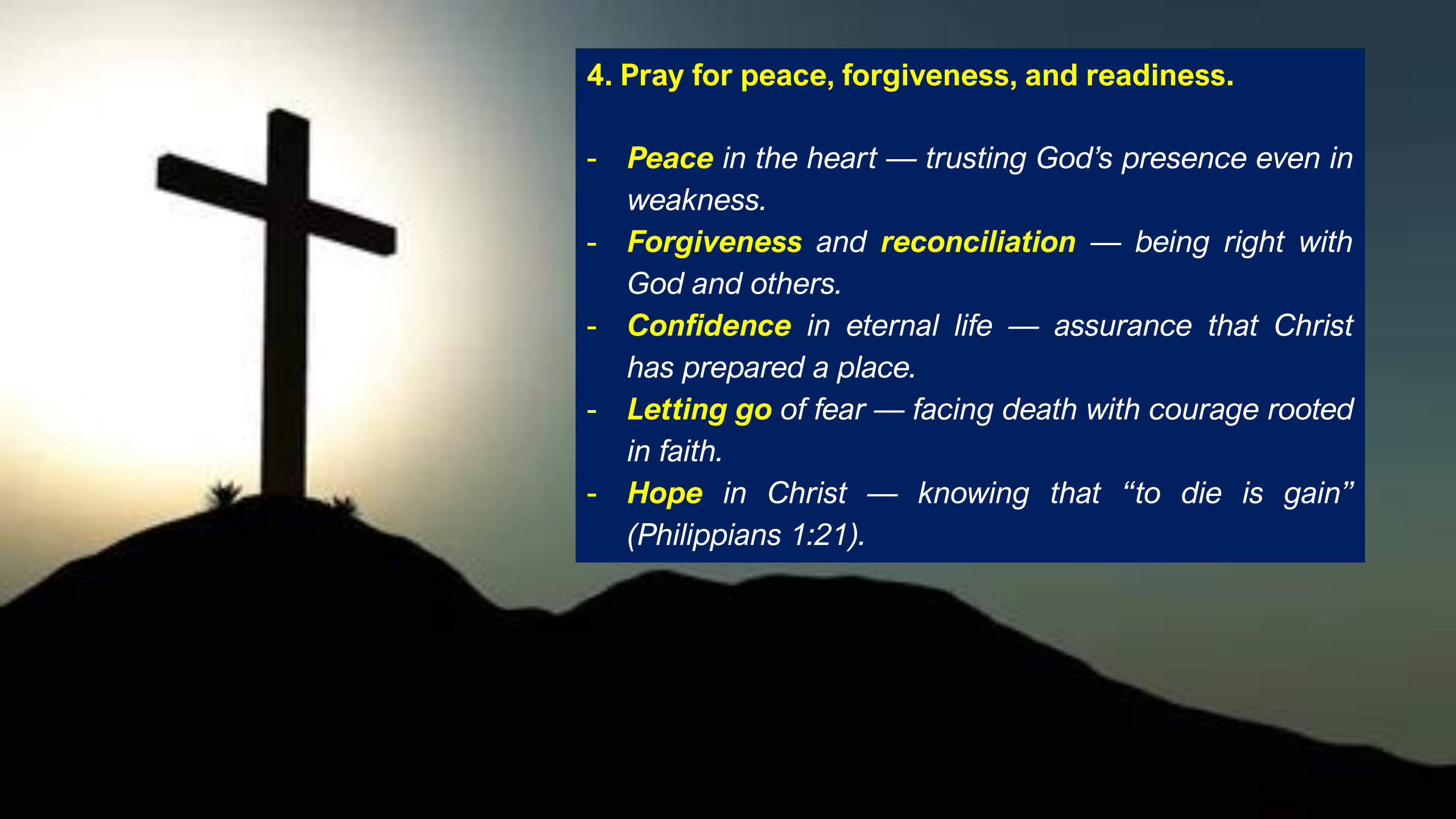
3. Anchor prayers in short Bible verses.

- Psalm 46:1 (ESV) "**God** is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble"



- **John 14:27 (ESV)** "Peace I leave with you; **my peace** I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid."

- **Hebrews 13:5 (ESV)** "I will **never** leave you nor forsake you."



4. Pray for peace, forgiveness, and readiness.

- **Peace** in the heart — trusting God's presence even in weakness.
- **Forgiveness** and **reconciliation** — being right with God and others.
- **Confidence** in eternal life — assurance that Christ has prepared a place.
- **Letting go** of fear — facing death with courage rooted in faith.
- **Hope** in Christ — knowing that “to die is gain” (Philippians 1:21).



5. Keep praying even when no visible change occurs.

*Keep praying even when no visible change occurs because God is still at **work** quietly, bringing peace, strength, comfort, forgiveness, and eternal hope.*

7. Five Comforting Bible Verses to Share with the Terminally Ill



A serene garden scene with a large tree on the left, a sunburst effect, and a blue text box in the center. The background is a lush green lawn with various flowers, including pink daisies and purple flowers. The sun is shining through the leaves of the tree on the left, creating a bright, warm glow. The text box is a solid blue rectangle with white text.

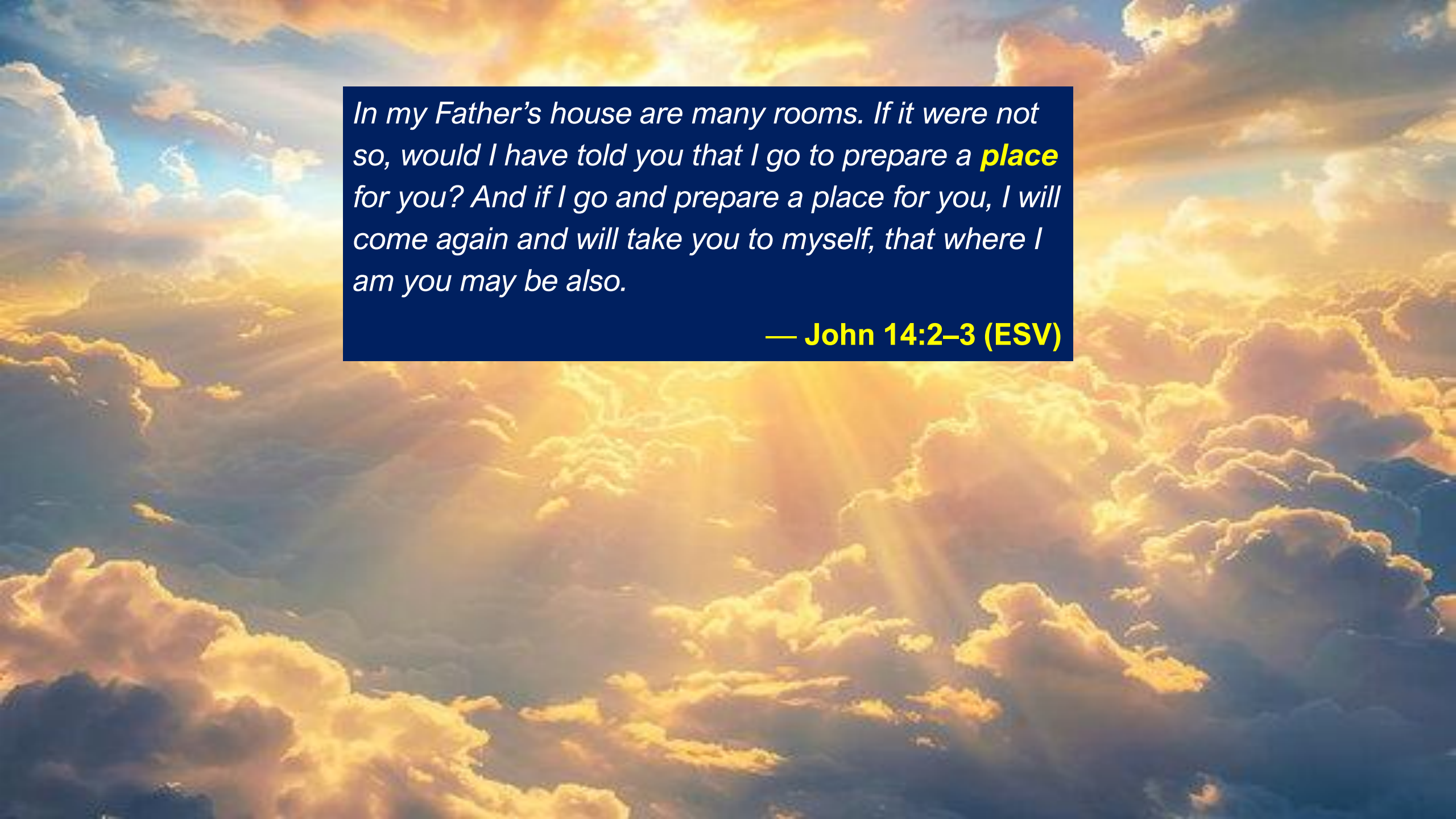
Short, clear **verses** bring deep comfort.

They **remind** the dying of God's presence, strength, mercy, and eternal hope.

Passages like Psalm 23, Isaiah 41, and John 14 assure them that Christ prepares a **place** and God **never** abandons His children.

These verses are easy to **read** aloud, offering peace and assurance when words fail.

They anchor **hearts** in God's promises, pointing to eternal rest and hope beyond suffering.



*In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a **place** for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.*

— John 14:2–3 (ESV)



Five Comforting Verses



1. Isaiah 41:10 (ESV)

Fear not, for I am **with** you; be not dismayed, for I am your **God**; I will **strengthen** you, I will **help** you, I will **uphold** you with my righteous right hand.

A white dove is shown in flight, wings spread wide, against a bright blue sky filled with soft, white clouds. The sun is low on the horizon to the right, casting a warm, golden glow across the scene. Below the sky, a vast landscape of rolling green hills stretches out, with a dirt path leading through the foreground. The hills are covered in lush green grass and small white flowers. In the distance, a winding river or valley is visible between the hills. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and hopeful.

2. Matthew 11:28 (ESV)

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden,
and I will give you **rest**.

3. Psalm 34:18 (ESV)

The Lord is **near** to the
brokenhearted and **saves** the
crushed in spirit.





4. *Rev.21:4*
*And God shall wipe away all tears from their eye's;
And there shall be no more death, neither sorrow,
nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain.*

5. John 14:2–3 (ESV)

In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will **come again** and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.

CONCLUSION

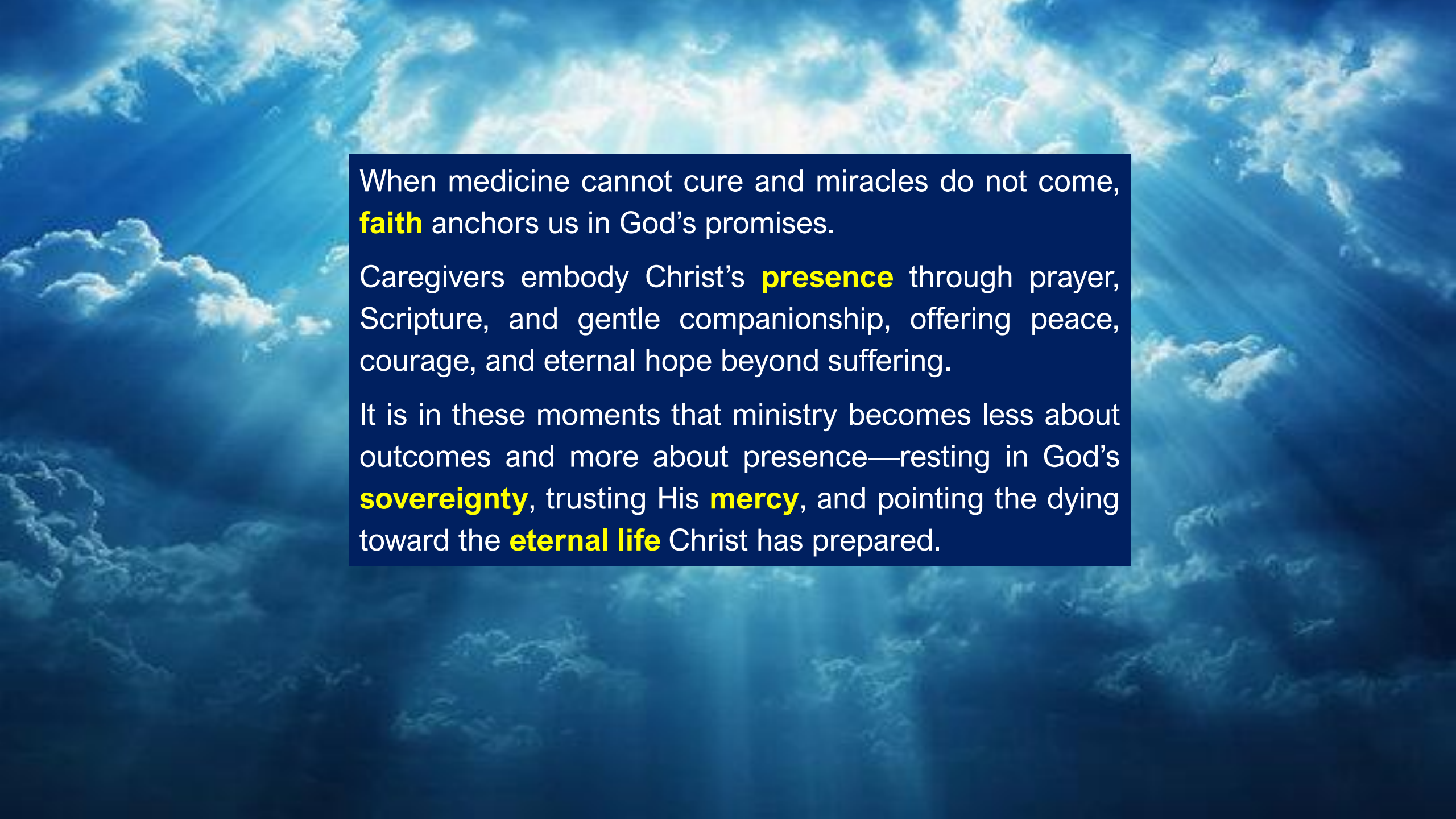


Ministering with faith is not about control but **presence**, prayer, and truth. God's promises anchor the dying in hope, reminding us that **eternal life** is His ultimate gift of grace.



Reflective Question

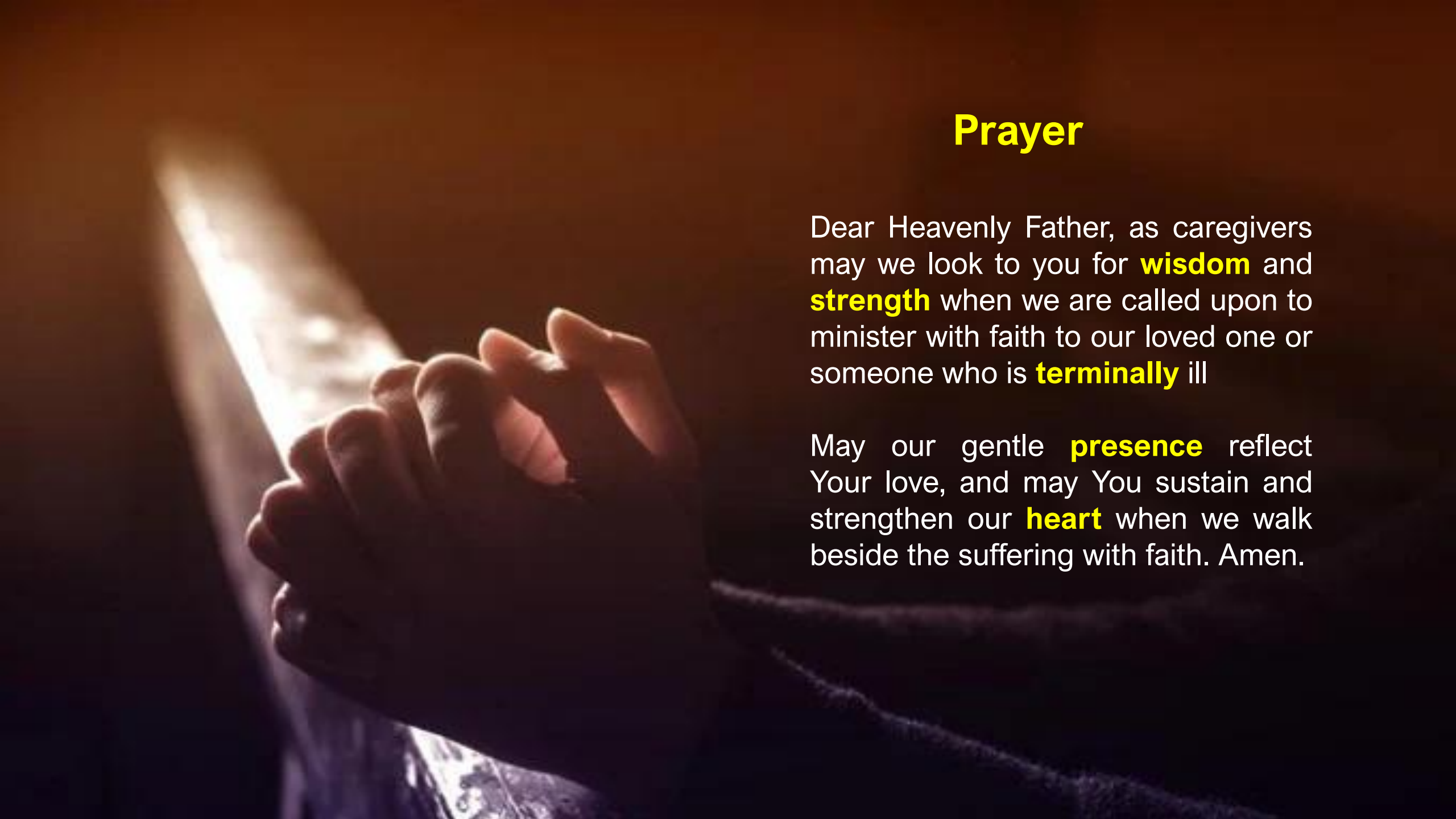
In moments when medicine cannot cure and miracles do not come, how can you anchor your faith in God's **promises** and embody His **presence** for those facing the end of life?

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When medicine cannot cure and miracles do not come, **faith** anchors us in God's promises.

Caregivers embody Christ's **presence** through prayer, Scripture, and gentle companionship, offering peace, courage, and eternal hope beyond suffering.

It is in these moments that ministry becomes less about outcomes and more about presence—resting in God's **sovereignty**, trusting His **mercy**, and pointing the dying toward the **eternal life** Christ has prepared.



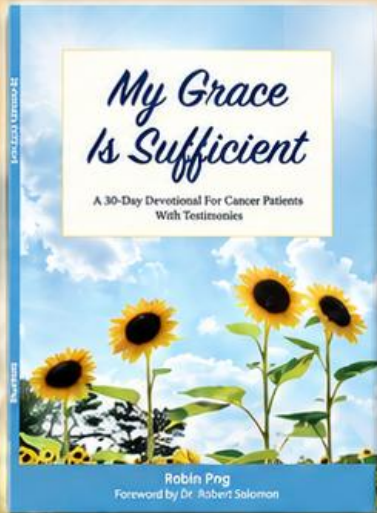
Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father, as caregivers may we look to you for **wisdom** and **strength** when we are called upon to minister with faith to our loved one or someone who is **terminally** ill

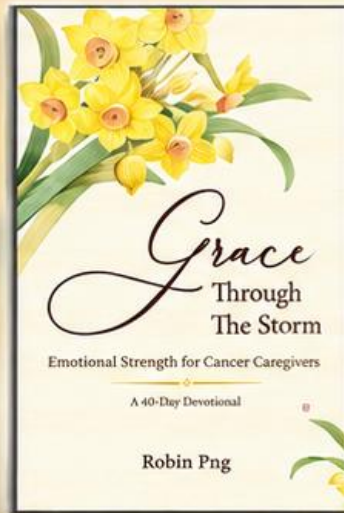
May our gentle **presence** reflect Your love, and may You sustain and strengthen our **heart** when we walk beside the suffering with faith. Amen.

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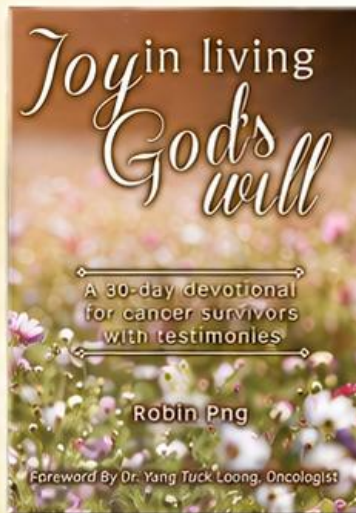
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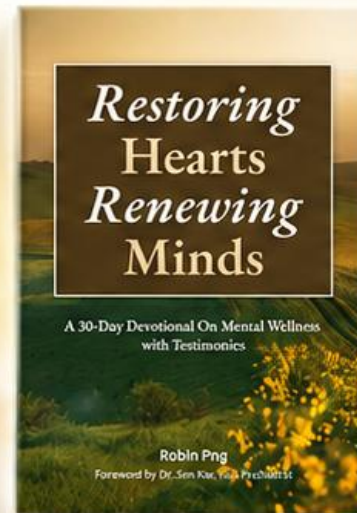
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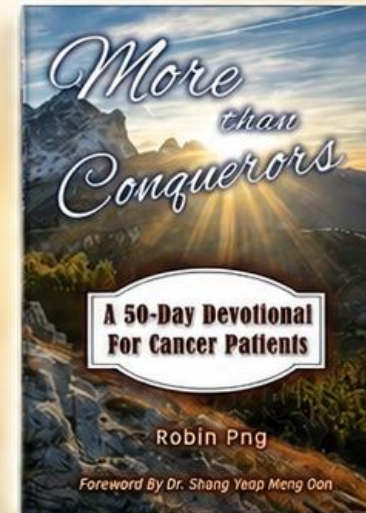
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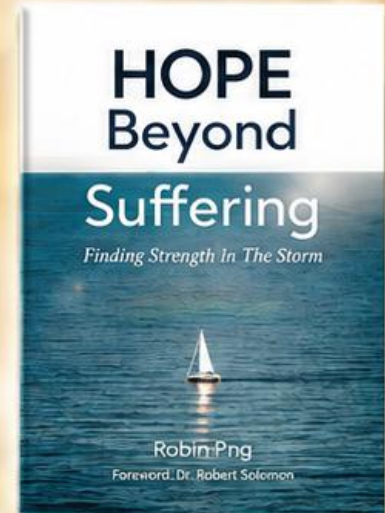
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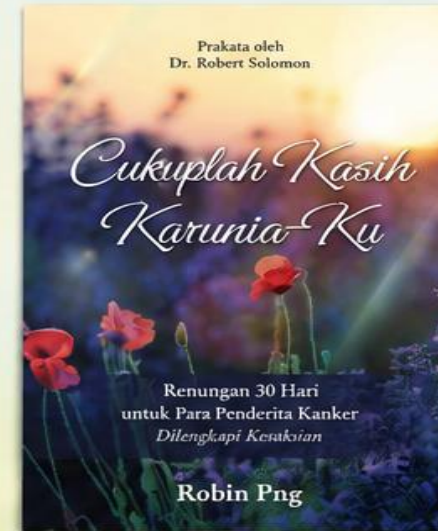
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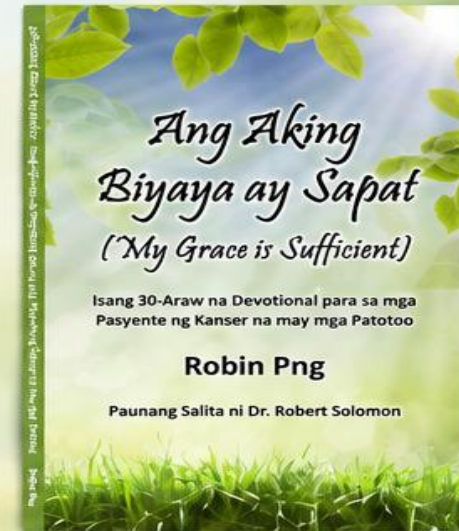
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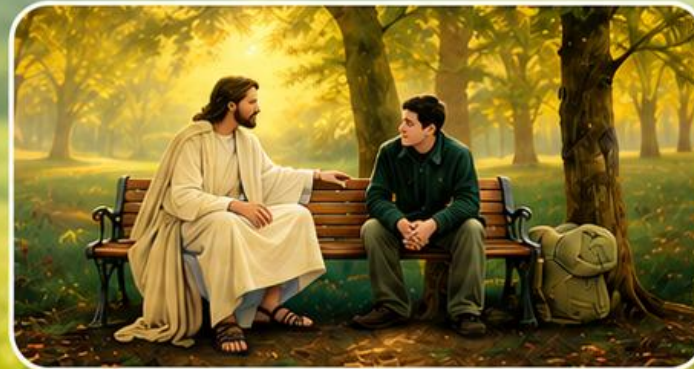
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To **restore** the **hearts** and **renew** the **minds** of cancer patients and persons with mental wellness concerns with the **love** and **power** of **Jesus Christ**



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