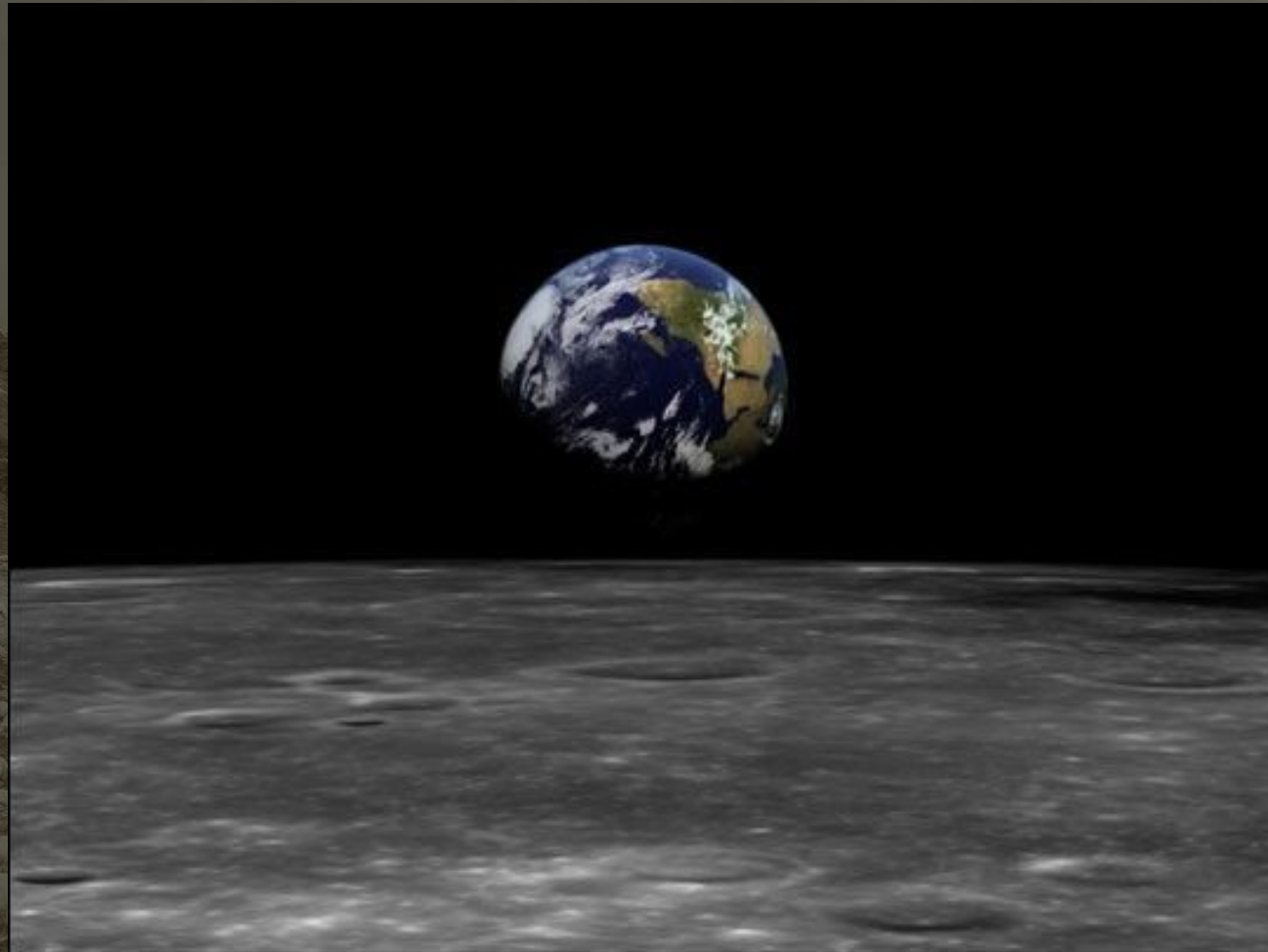


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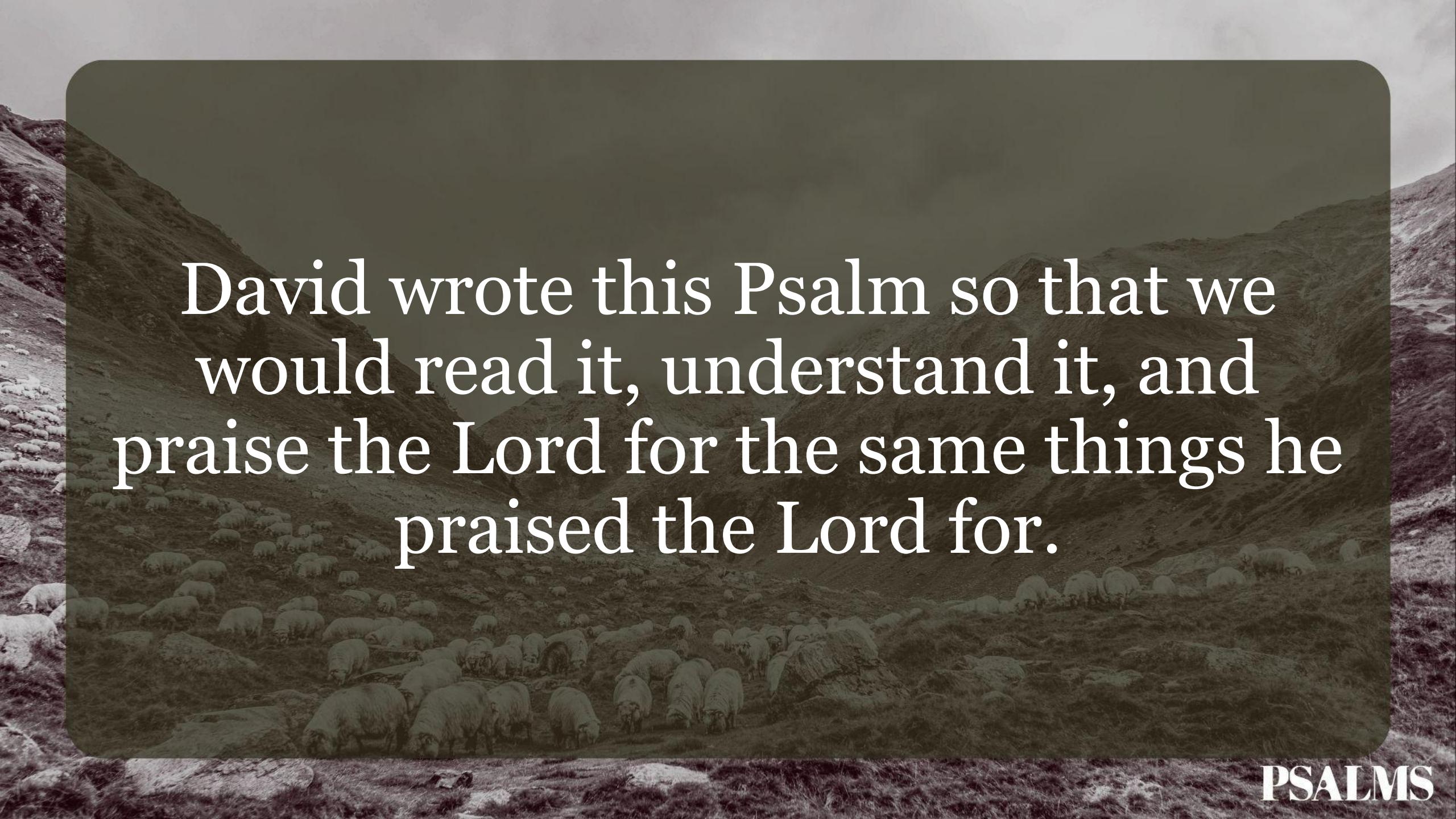
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DISCUSSION QUESTION 1

What evidence would you give an unbeliever who asked you “Why do you believe God is real?”



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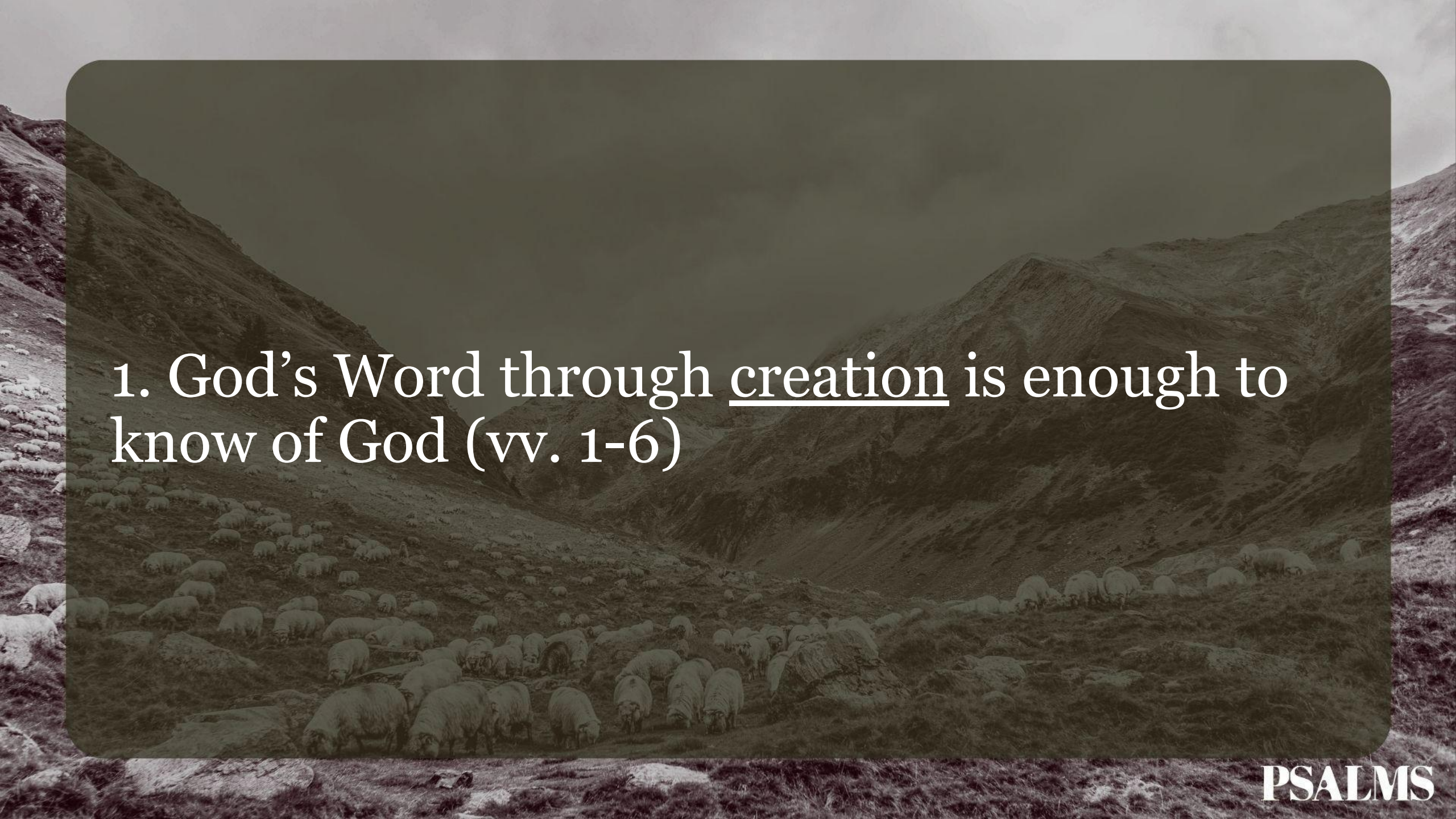
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JOHN 1:1-3

[1] In the beginning was **the Word**, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. [2] He was in the beginning with God. [3] All things were made *through* him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. (ESV)

COLOSSIANS 1:16

[16] For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.



The Word of God's creation is enough for everyone to know God exists.

ROMANS 1:19-21

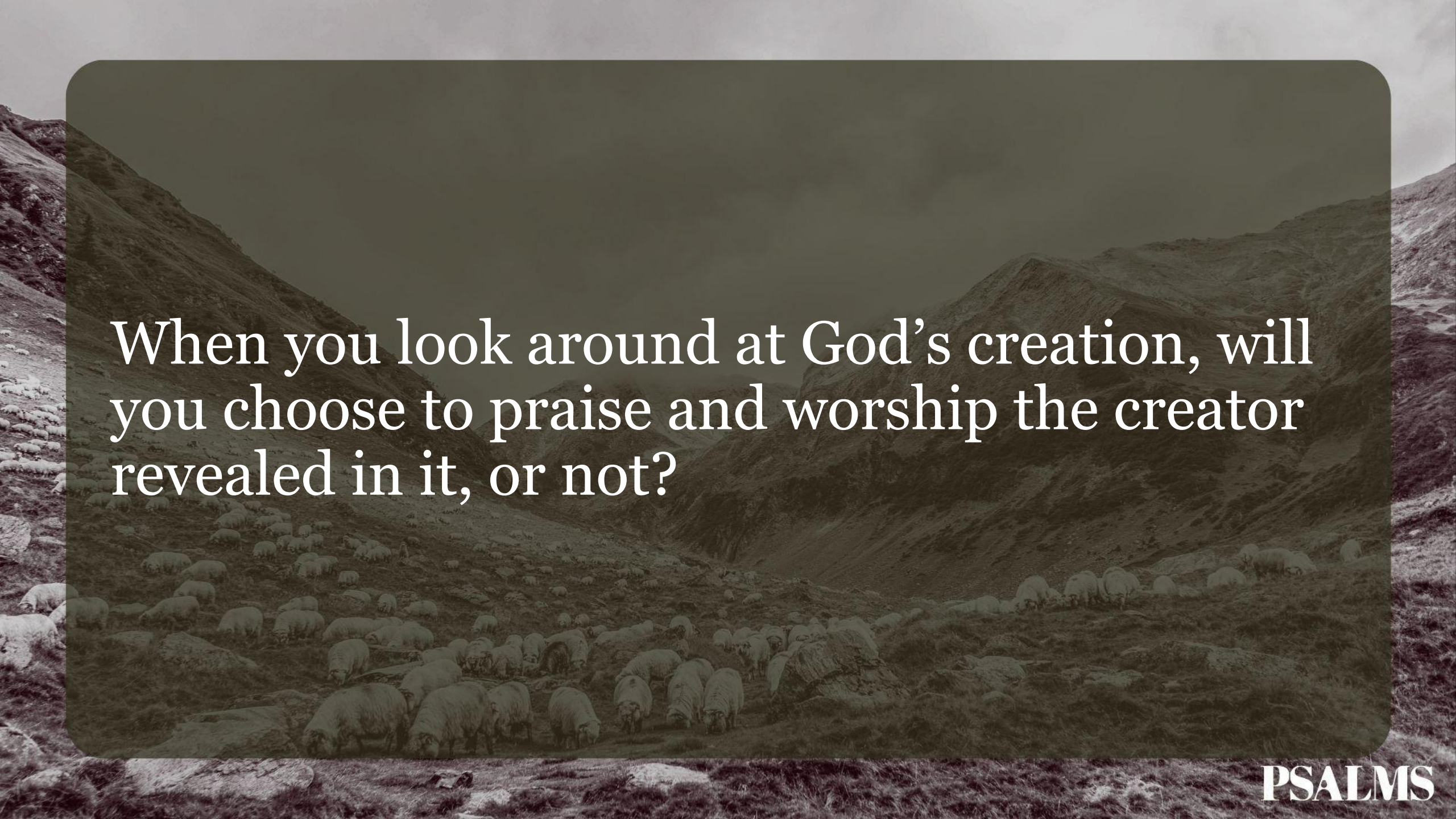
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When you look around at God's creation, will you choose to praise and worship the creator revealed in it, or not?



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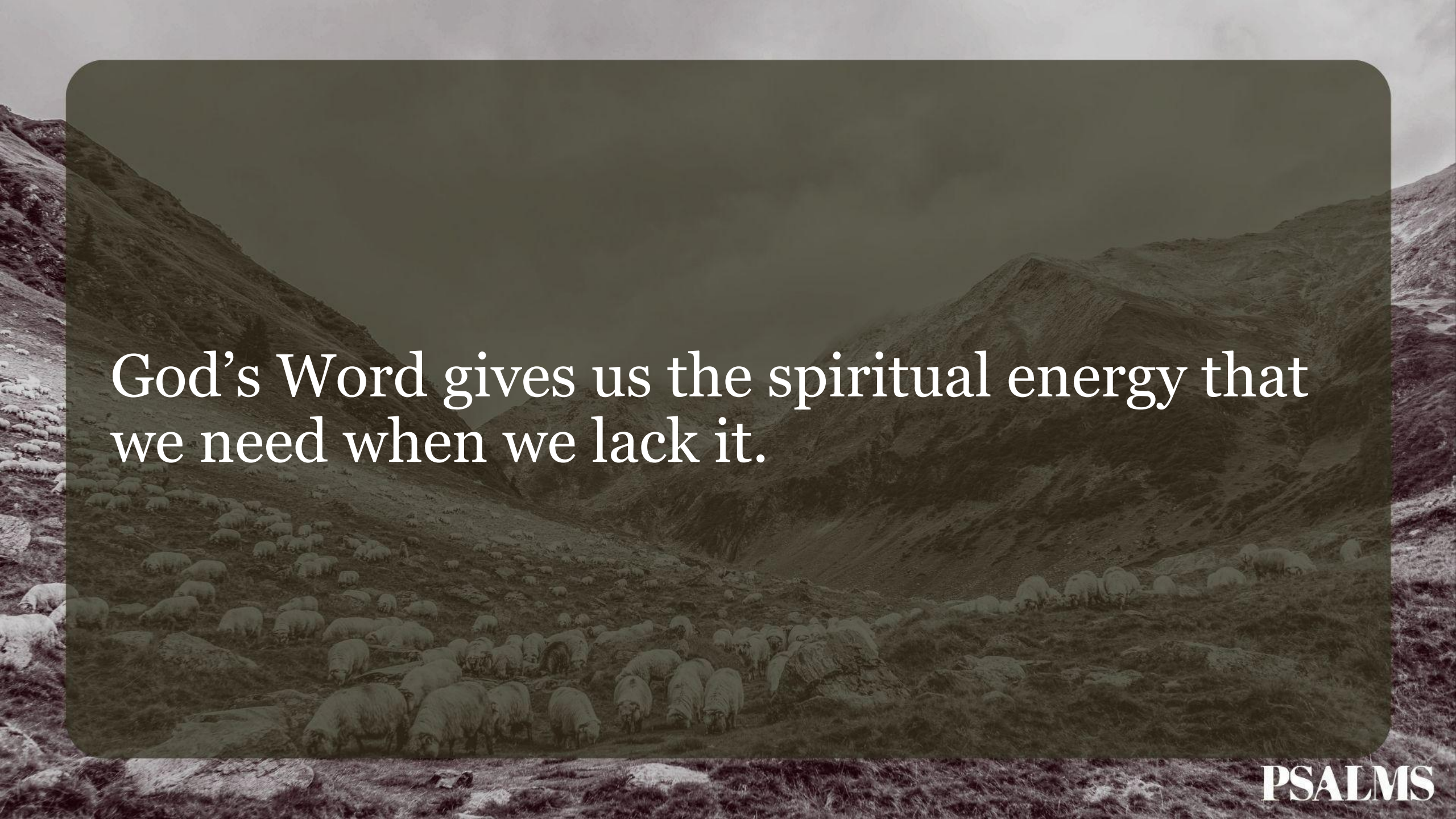
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[1] The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. [2] He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. [3] He restores my soul...



God's Word gives us the spiritual energy that we need when we lack it.

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- How has it looked in your life for you to get to know God in Scripture?
- Is Scripture memorization part of your walk with the Lord? If so, how have you seen it working in your life? If not, what could you do to change that?

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