



FINDING JESUS

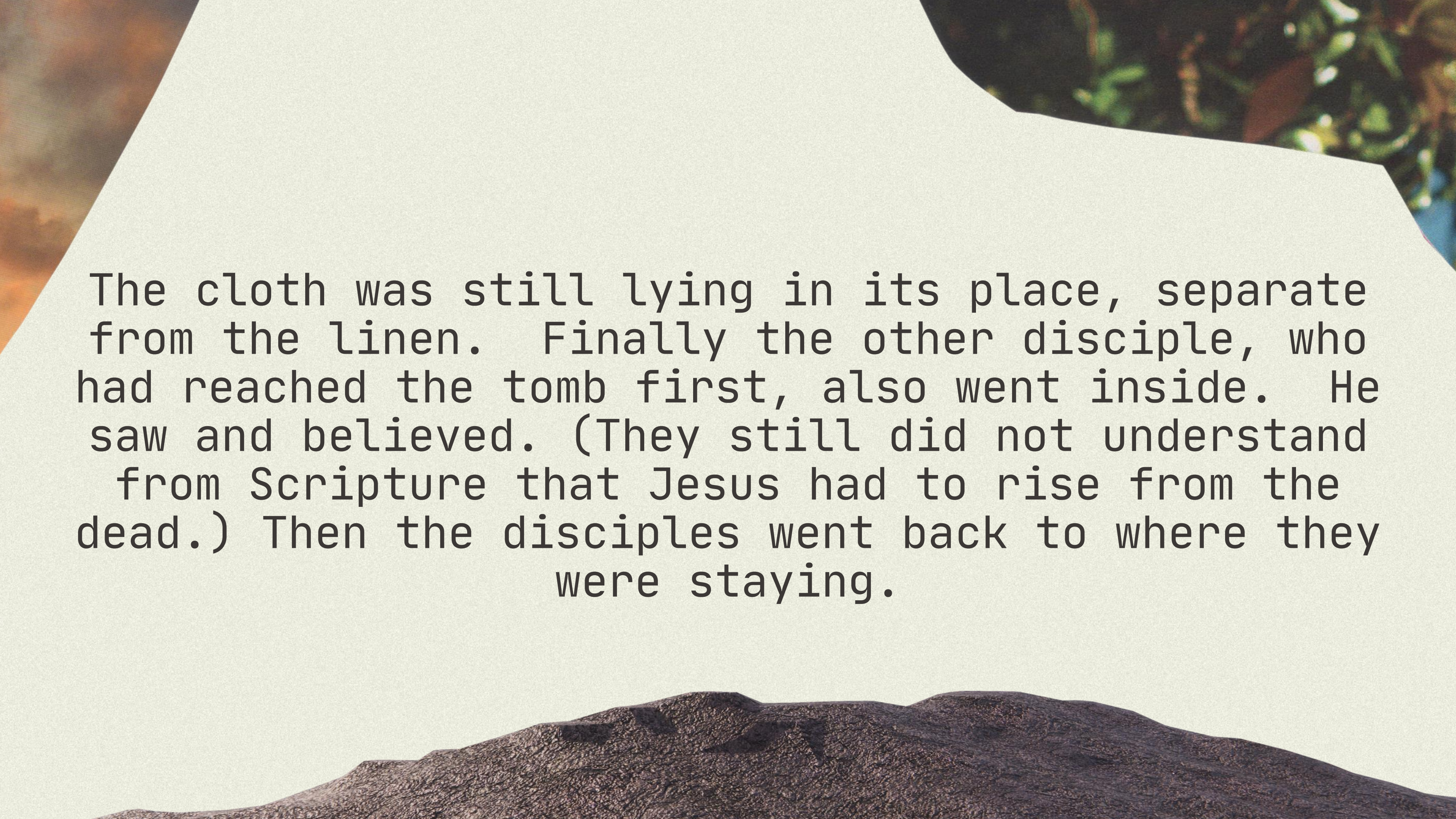
IN OUR HURTS, DOUBTS &
FAILURES

THE RESURRECTION STORY

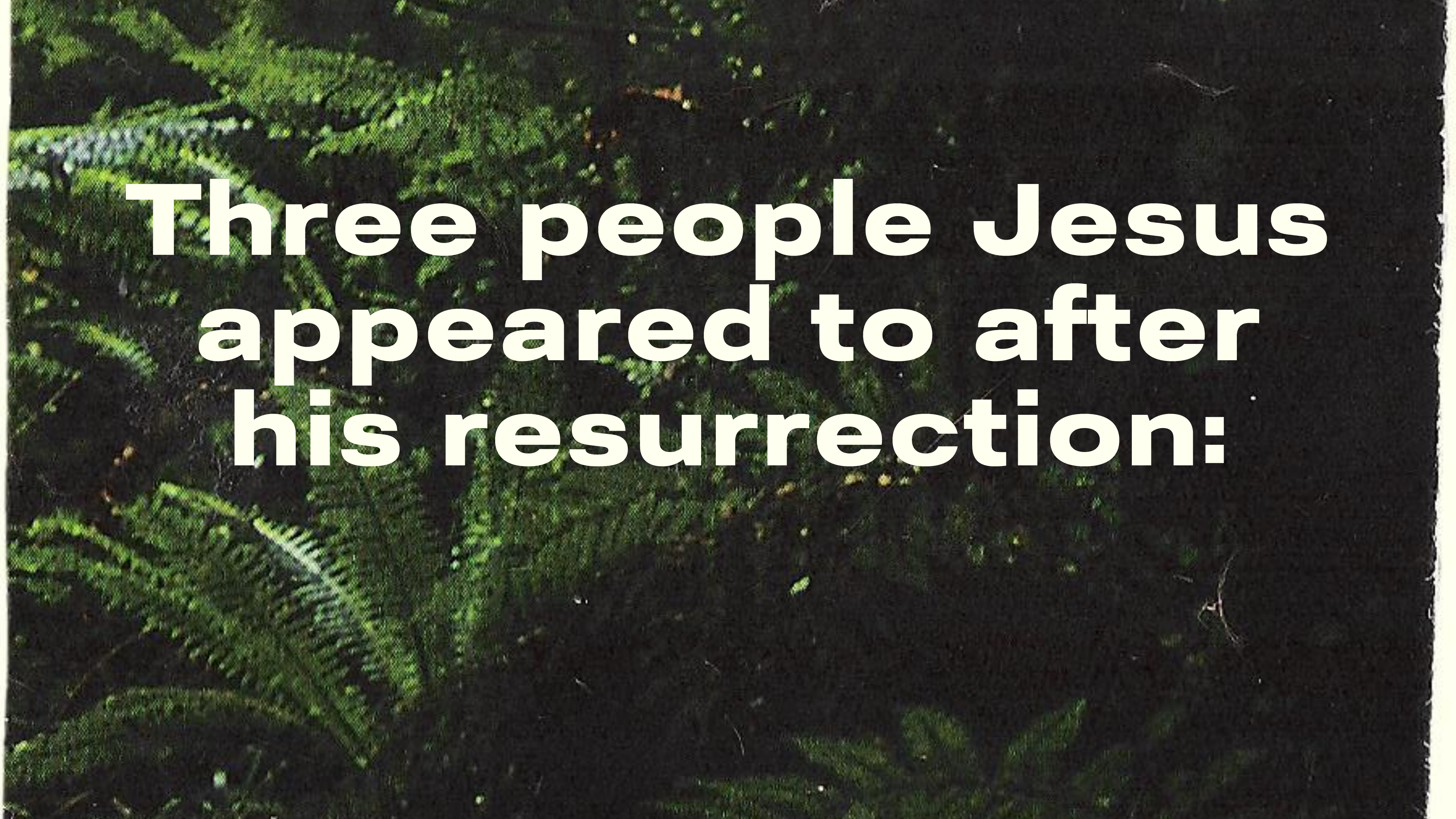
JOHN 20:1-10

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"...

So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus' head...

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The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.



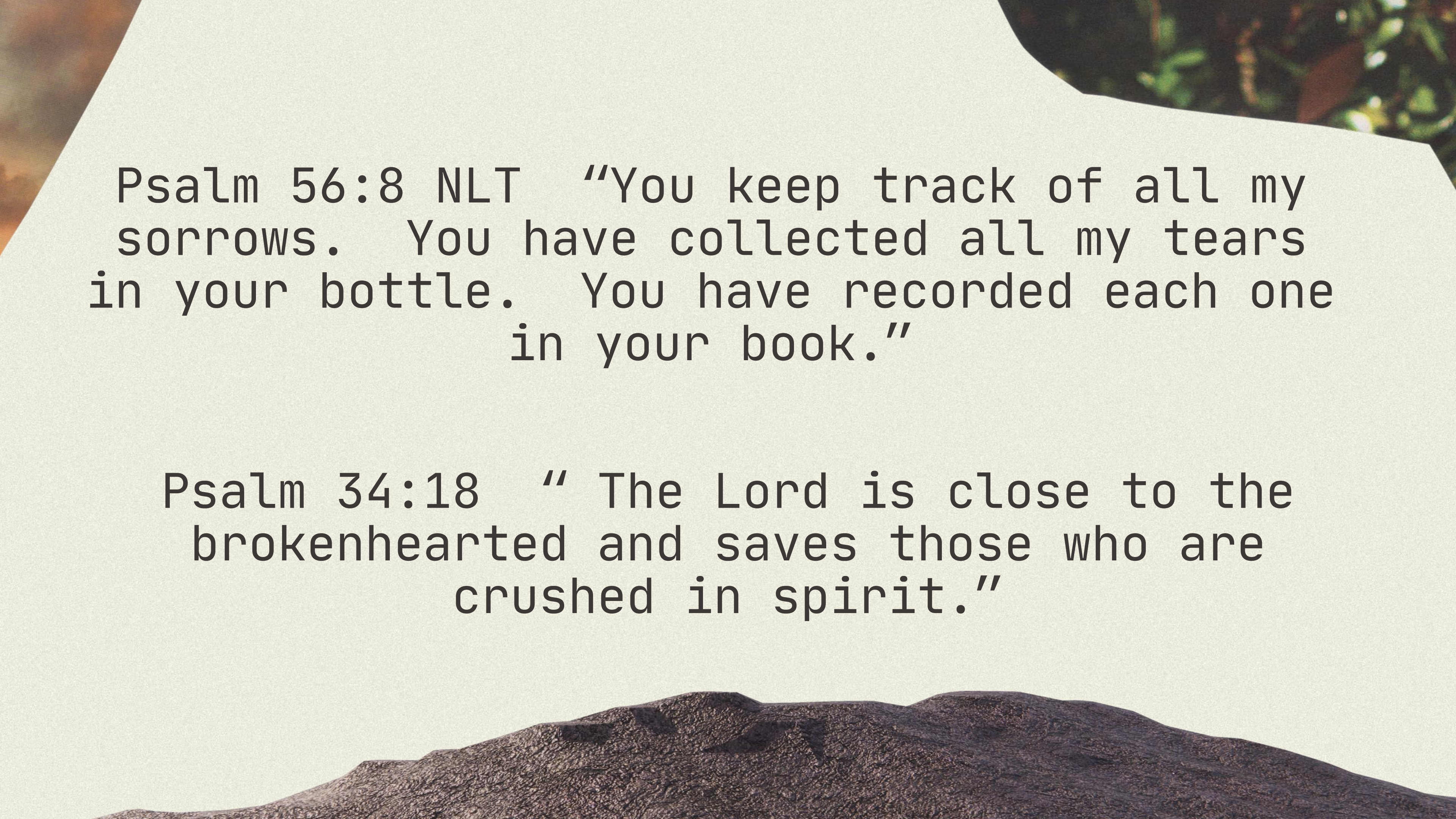
**Three people Jesus
appeared to after
his resurrection:**



1. MARY (JOHN 20:11-18)


**MARY REPRESENTS EVERYONE WHO IS
HEARTBROKEN.**

WHEN YOU CRY, HEAVEN NOTICES.



Psalm 56:8 NLT "You keep track of all my sorrows. You have collected all my tears in your bottle. You have recorded each one in your book."

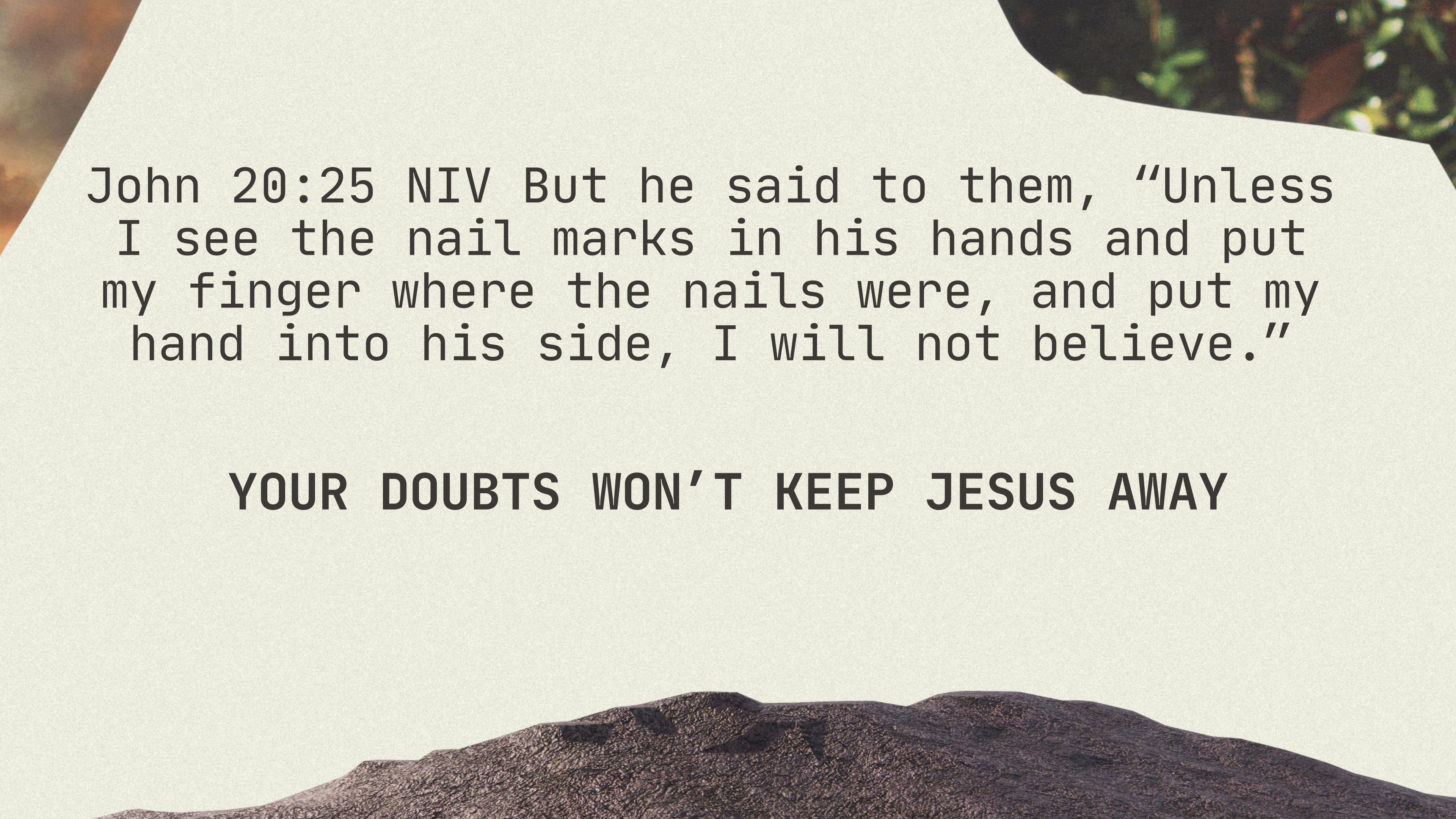
Psalm 34:18 "The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit."





2 . T H O M A S (JOHN 20:24-29)

**THOMAS REPRESENTS EVERYONE WHO IS
DOUBTING GOD'S REALITY AND
GOODNESS.**



John 20:25 NIV But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

YOUR DOUBTS WON'T KEEP JESUS AWAY



3 . P E T E R

(LUKE 22:54-61)

**PETER REPRESENTS EVERYONE WHO HAS
EXPERIENCED A PERSONAL FAILURE.**

**YOUR FAILURES DON'T HAVE TO
DEFINE YOUR FUTURE!**