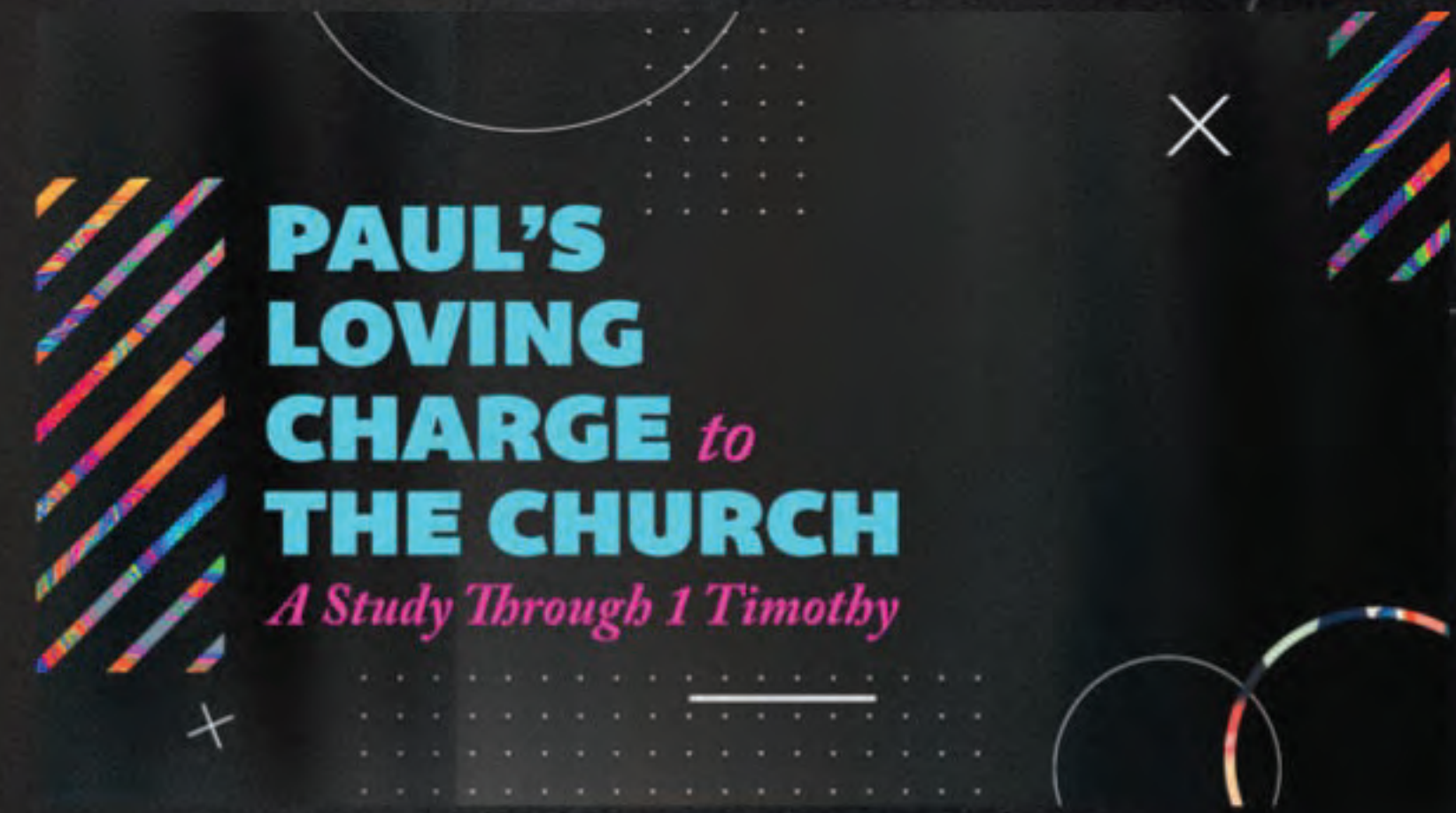
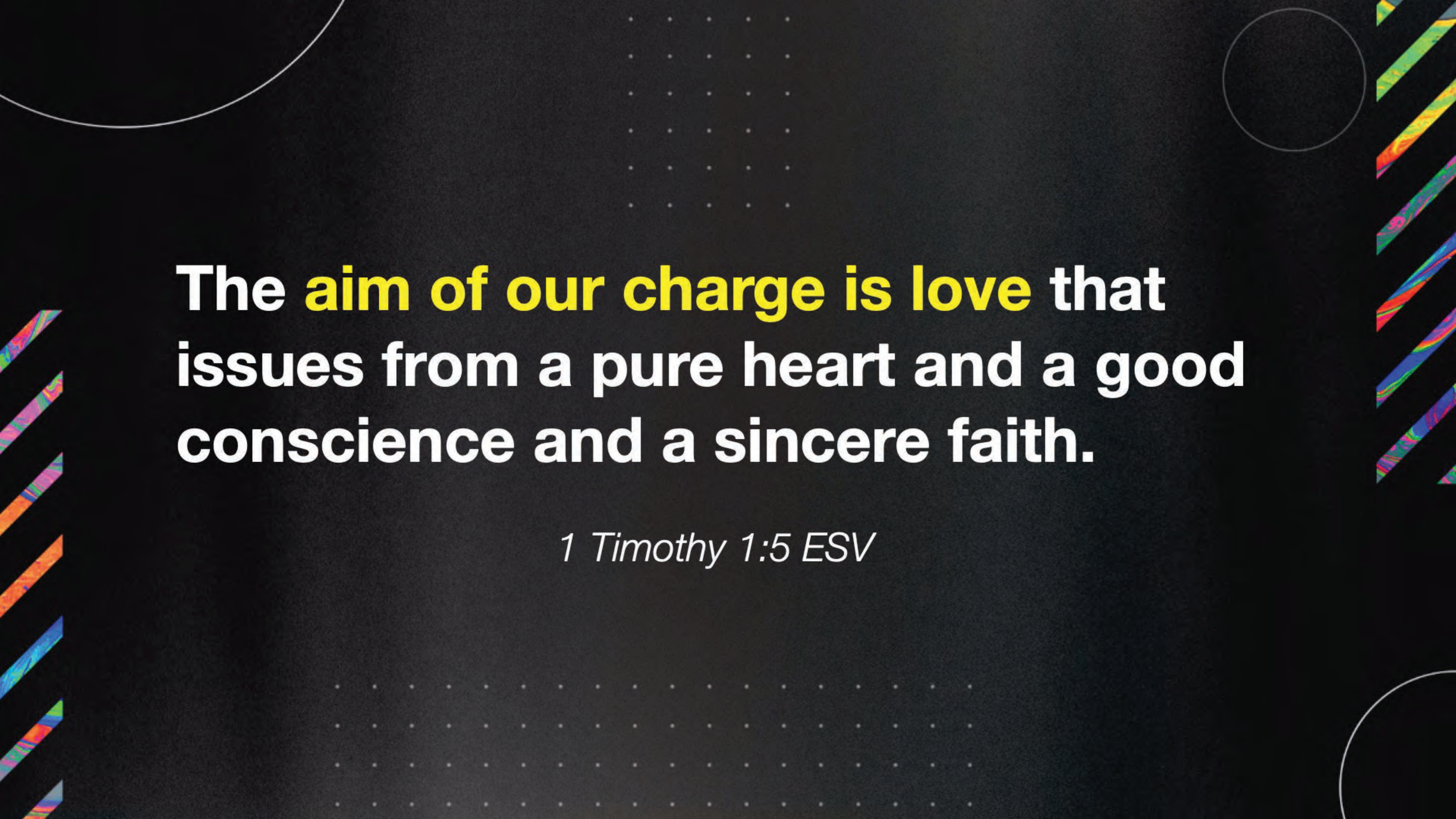


Paul's Loving Charge to the Church

Week 9: Order and Honor in the Church
1 Timothy 5:1-25

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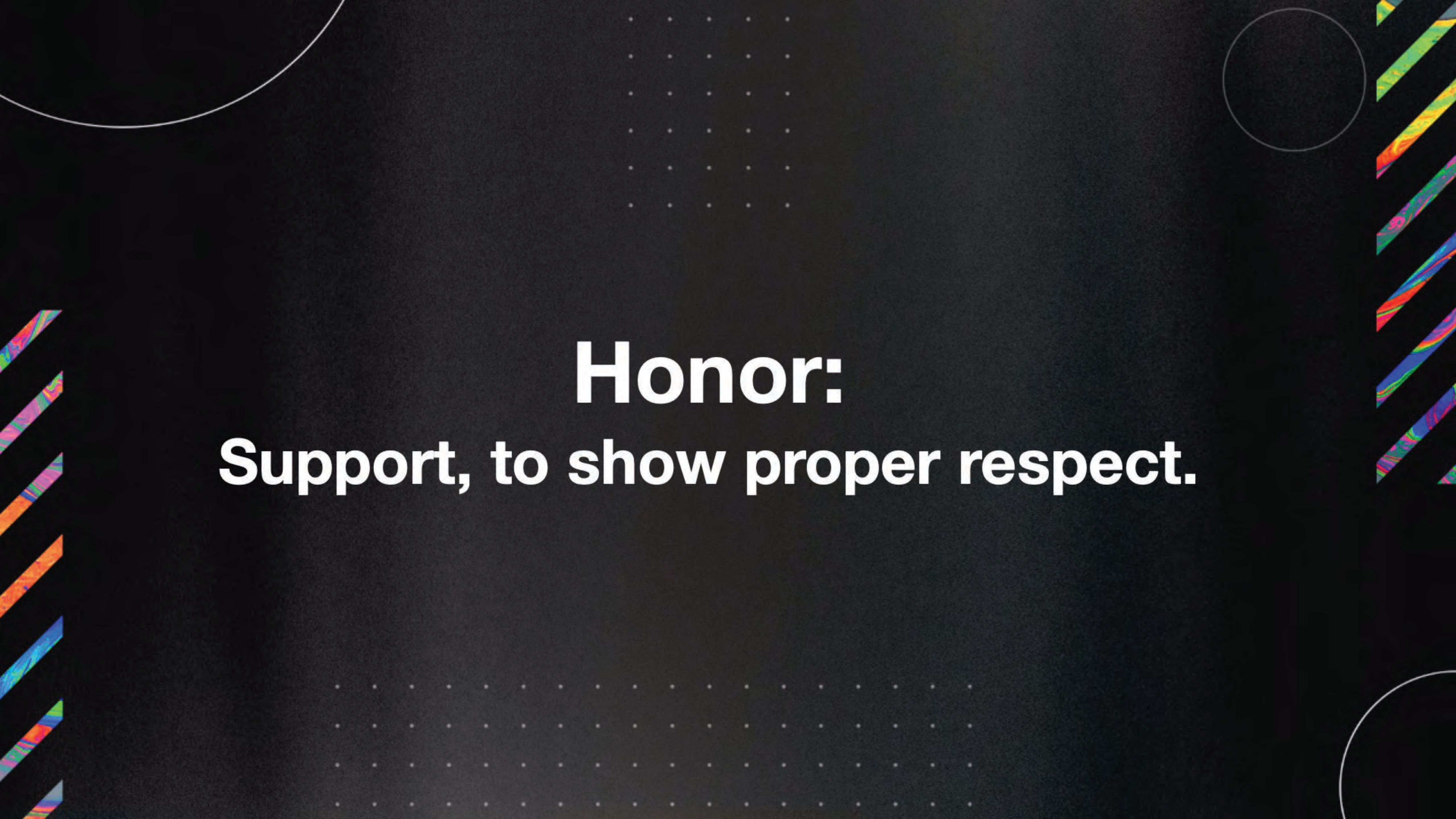


The **aim of our charge is love** that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith.

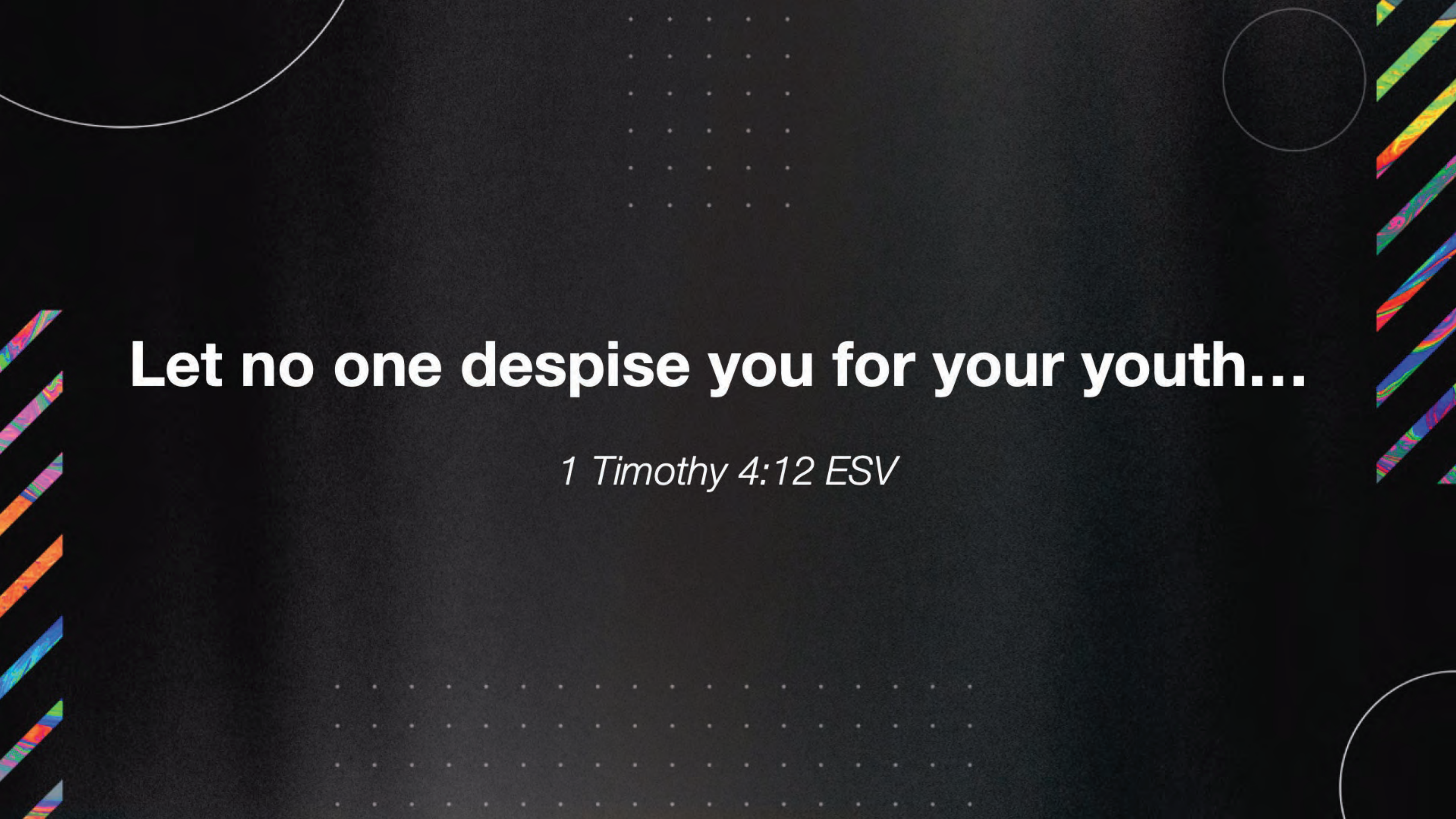
1 Timothy 1:5 ESV



Order and Honor in the Church



Honor:
Support, to show proper respect.



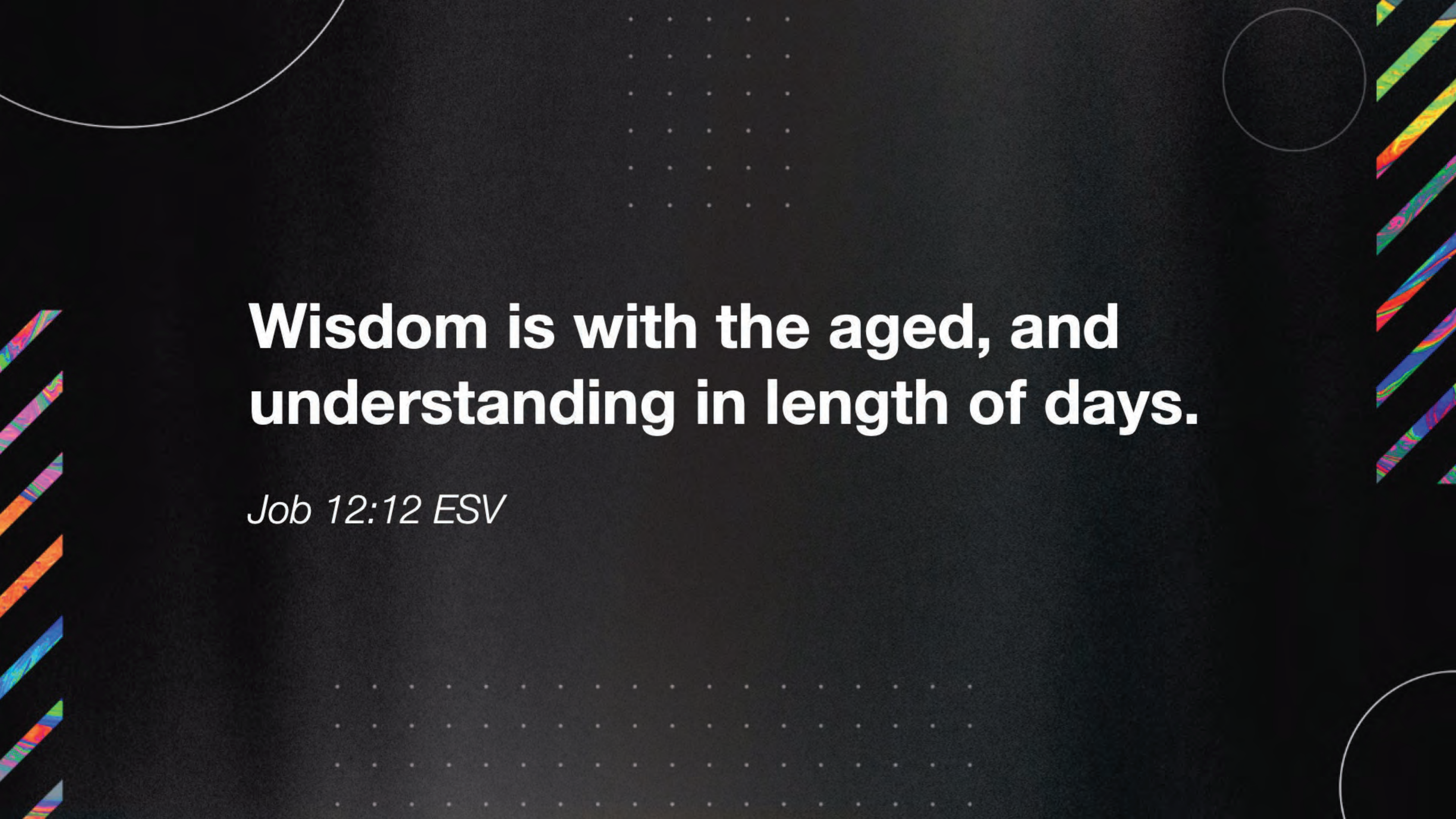
Let no one despise you for your youth...

1 Timothy 4:12 ESV

1. Honor and Order in Dealings with All

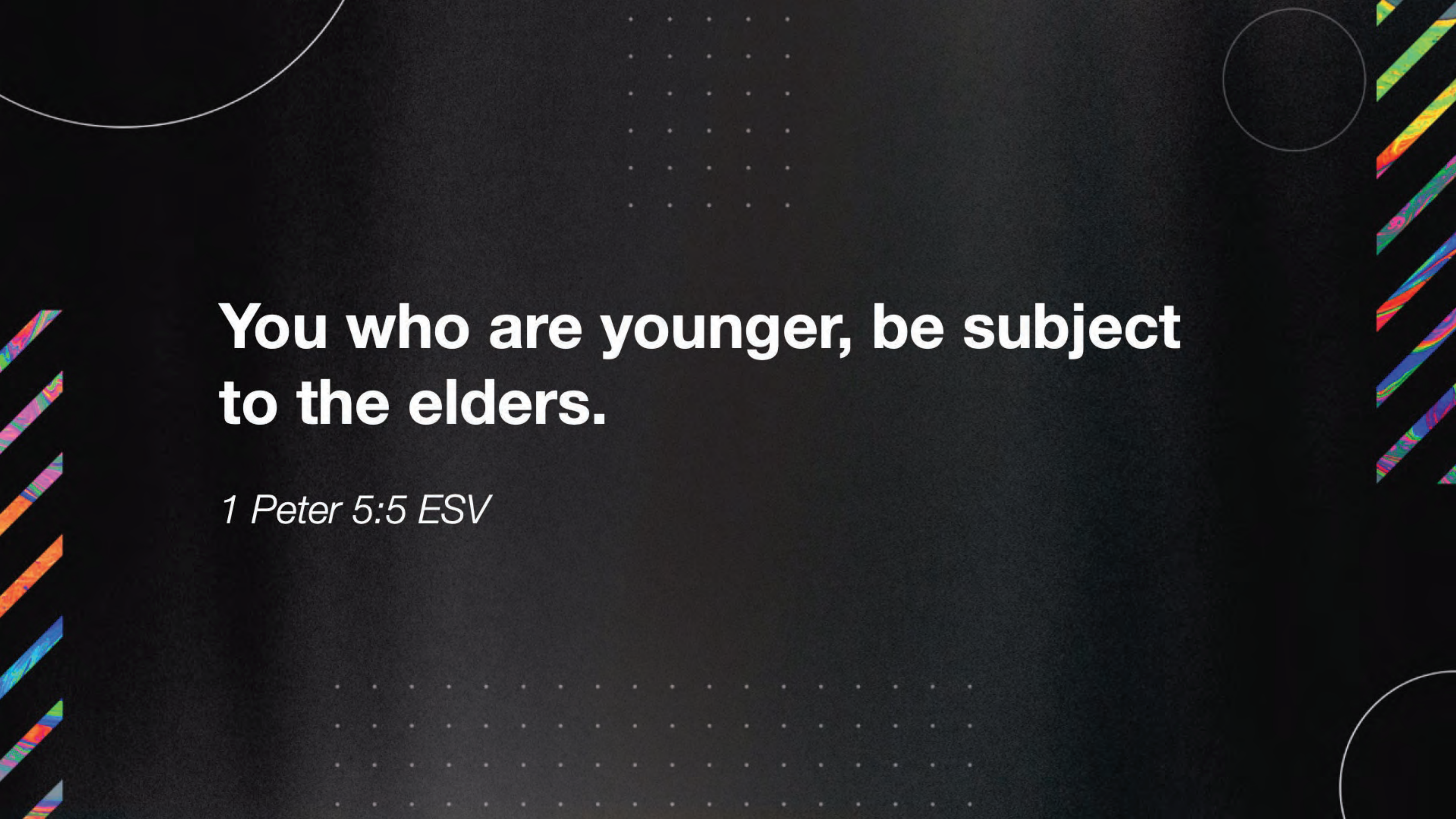
Do not rebuke an older man but encourage him as you would a father, younger men as brothers, older women as mothers, younger women as sisters, in all purity.

1 Timothy 5:1-2 ESV



**Wisdom is with the aged, and
understanding in length of days.**

Job 12:12 ESV



**You who are younger, be subject
to the elders.**

1 Peter 5:5 ESV

Encourage him as you would a father...

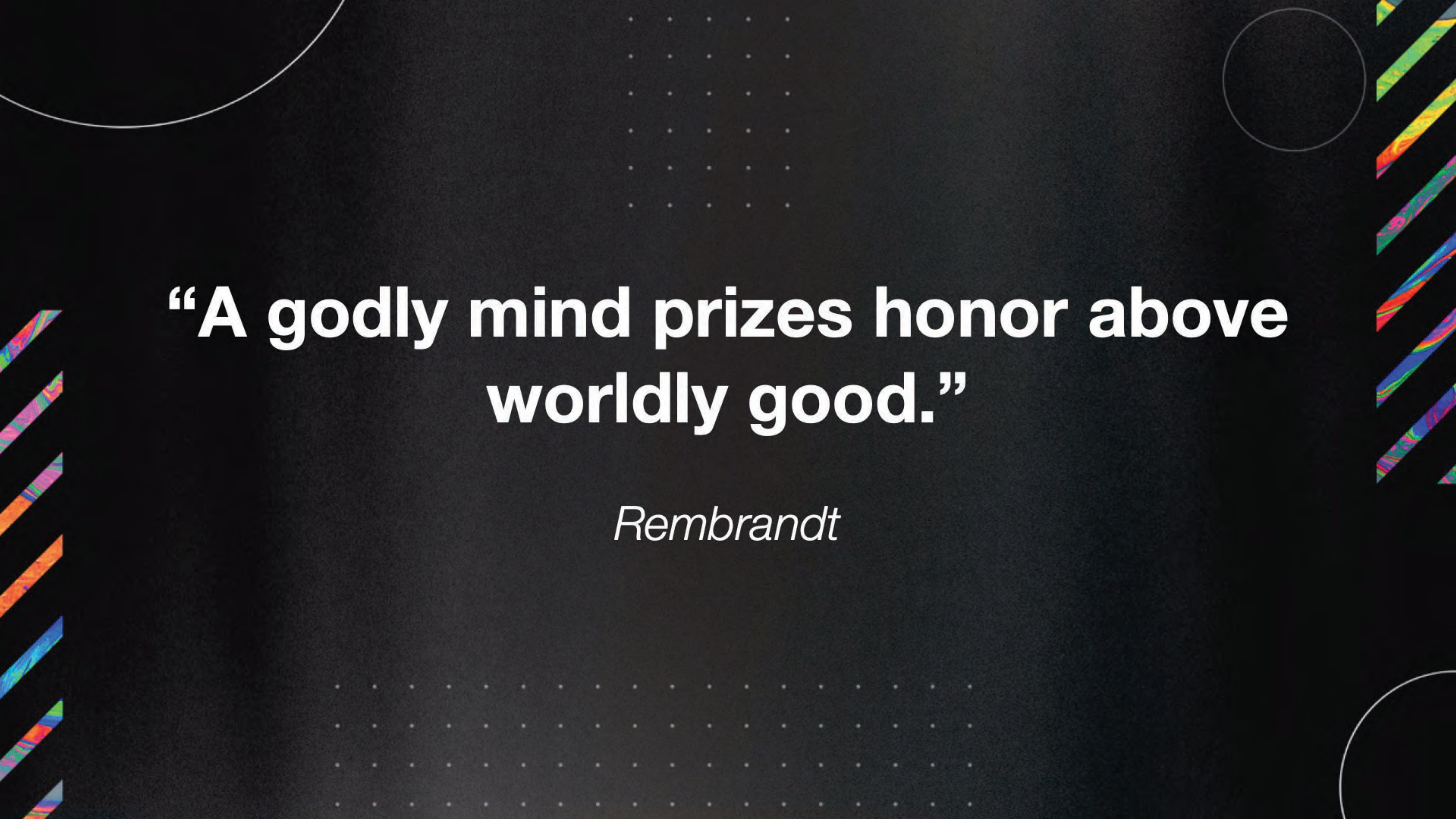
1 Timothy 5:1 ESV

Do not rebuke an older man but as I **urged** you
when I was going to Macedonia...

1 Timothy 1:3 ESV

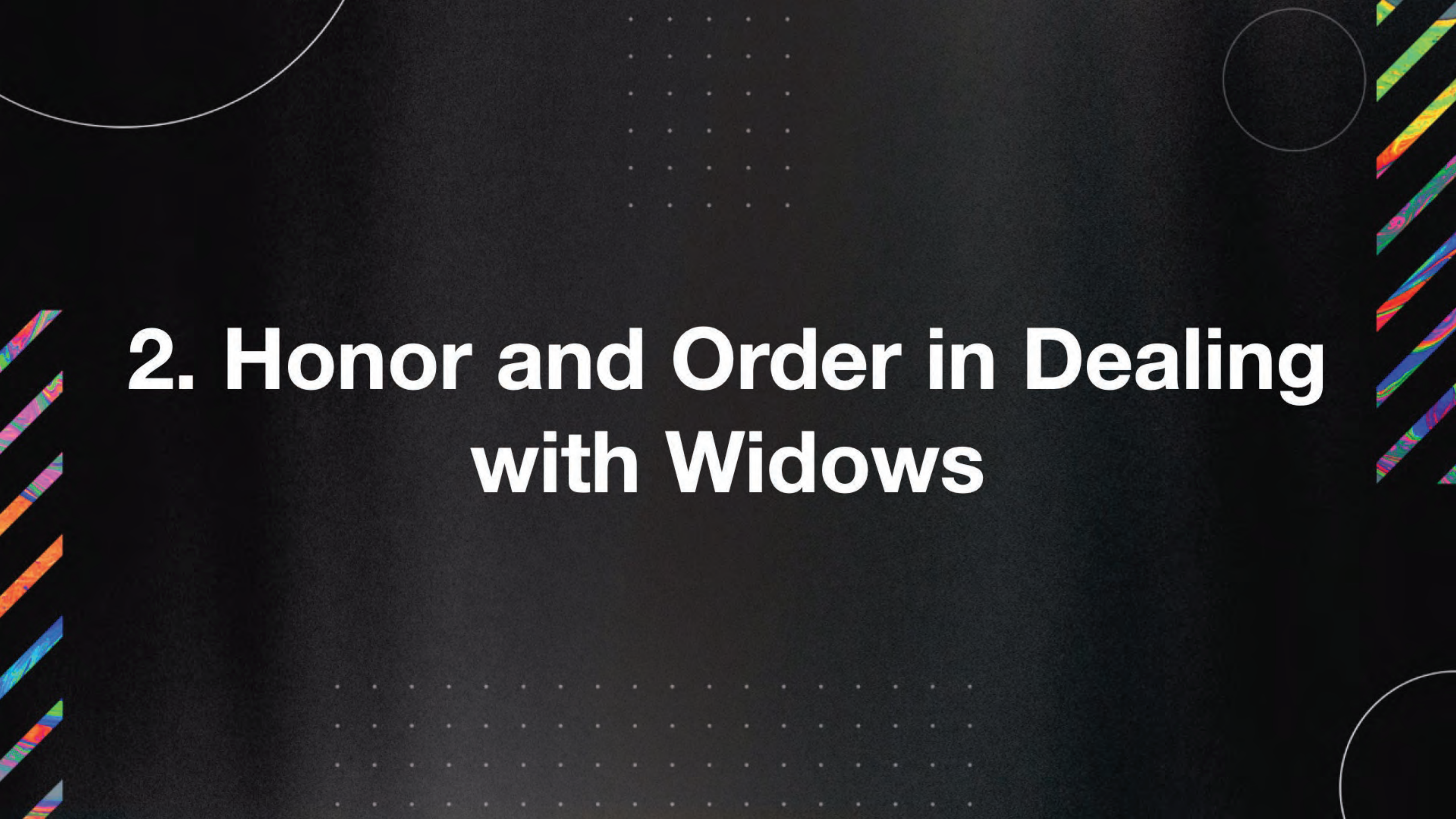
Until I come, devote yourself to the public
reading of Scripture, to **exhortation**, to teaching.

1 Timothy 4:13 ESV



**“A godly mind prizes honor above
worldly good.”**

Rembrandt



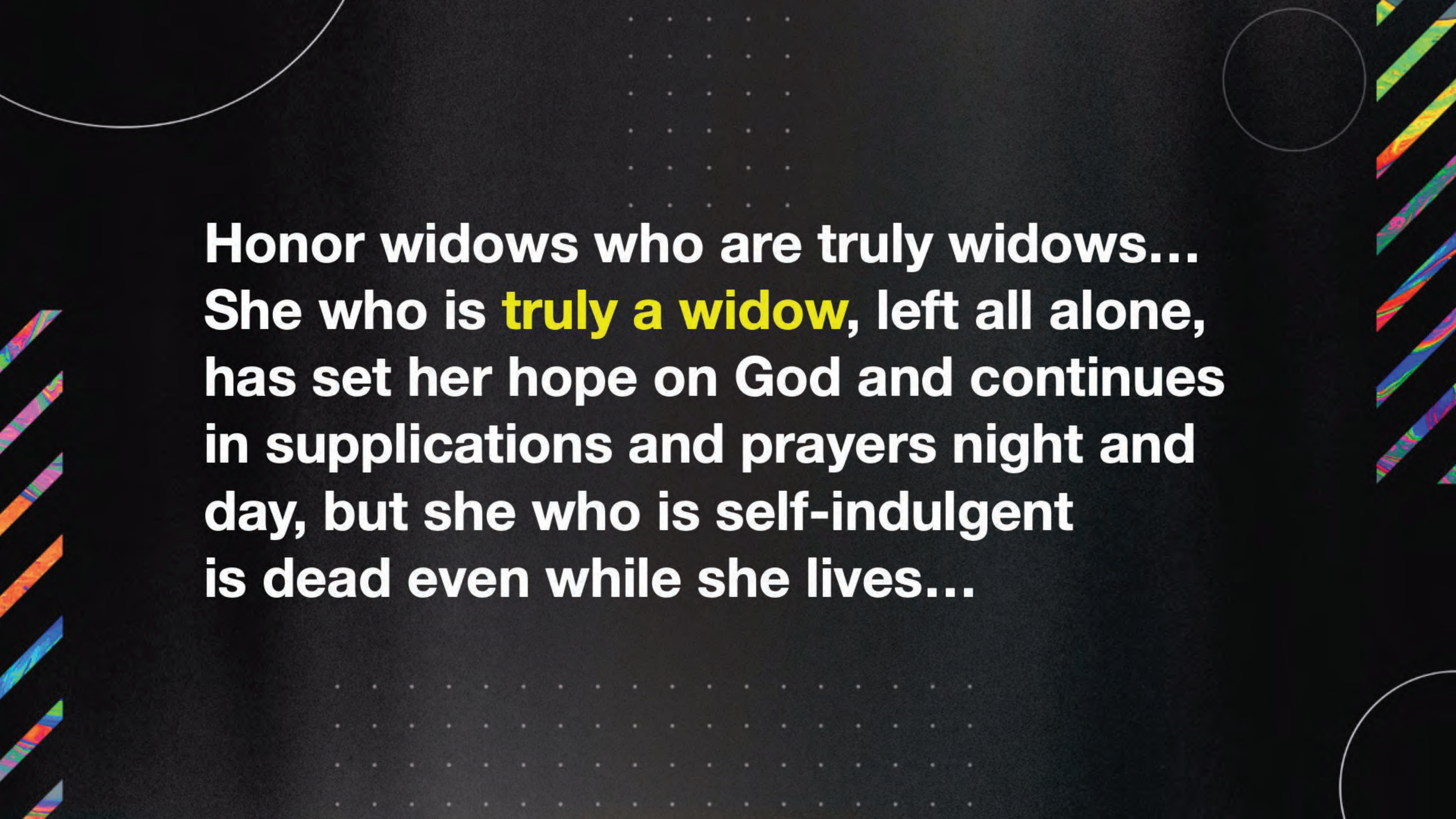
2. Honor and Order in Dealing with Widows

Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their **widows were being neglected in the daily distribution.**

Acts 6:1 ESV

Religion that is pure and undefiled before
God the Father is this: to **visit orphans**
and widows in their affliction.

James 1:27 ESV



**Honor widows who are truly widows...
She who is **truly a widow**, left all alone,
has set her hope on God and continues
in supplications and prayers night and
day, but she who is self-indulgent
is dead even while she lives...**

Let a widow be enrolled if she is not less than sixty years of age, having been the wife of one husband, and having a reputation for good works: if she has brought up children, has shown hospitality, has washed the feet of the saints, has cared for the afflicted, and has devoted herself to every good work.

1 Timothy 5:3, 5-6, 9-10 ESV

But if a widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn to show godliness to their own household... But if **anyone does not provide for his relatives**, and especially for members of his household, he has denied the faith and **is worse than an unbeliever**... But refuse to enroll younger widows, for when their passions draw them away from Christ, they desire to marry

and so incur condemnation for having abandoned their former faith. Besides that, they learn to be idlers, going about from house to house, and not only idlers, but also gossips and busybodies, saying what they should not. So I would have younger widows marry, bear children, manage their households, and **give the adversary no occasion for slander.**

1 Timothy 5:4, 8, 11-14 ESV

Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us... **If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat.** For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies.

2 Thessalonians 3:6, 10-11 ESV

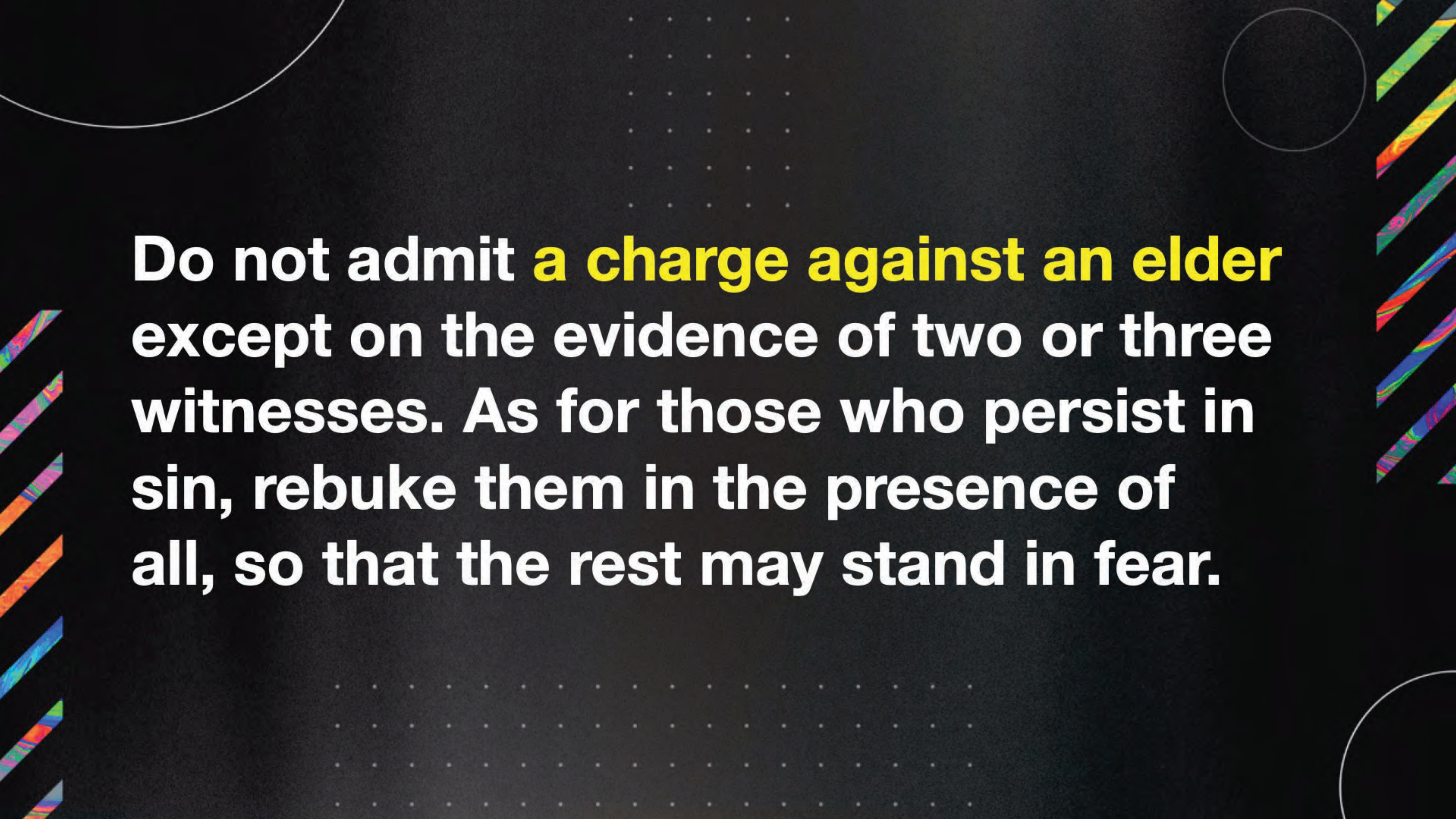
3. Honor and Order in Dealing with Elders

...I will **build my church**, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Matthew 16:18 ESV

Let the elders who rule well be considered **worthy of double honor**, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching. For the Scripture says, “You shall not muzzle an ox when it treads out the grain,” and, “The laborer deserves his wages.”

1 Timothy 5:17-18 ESV



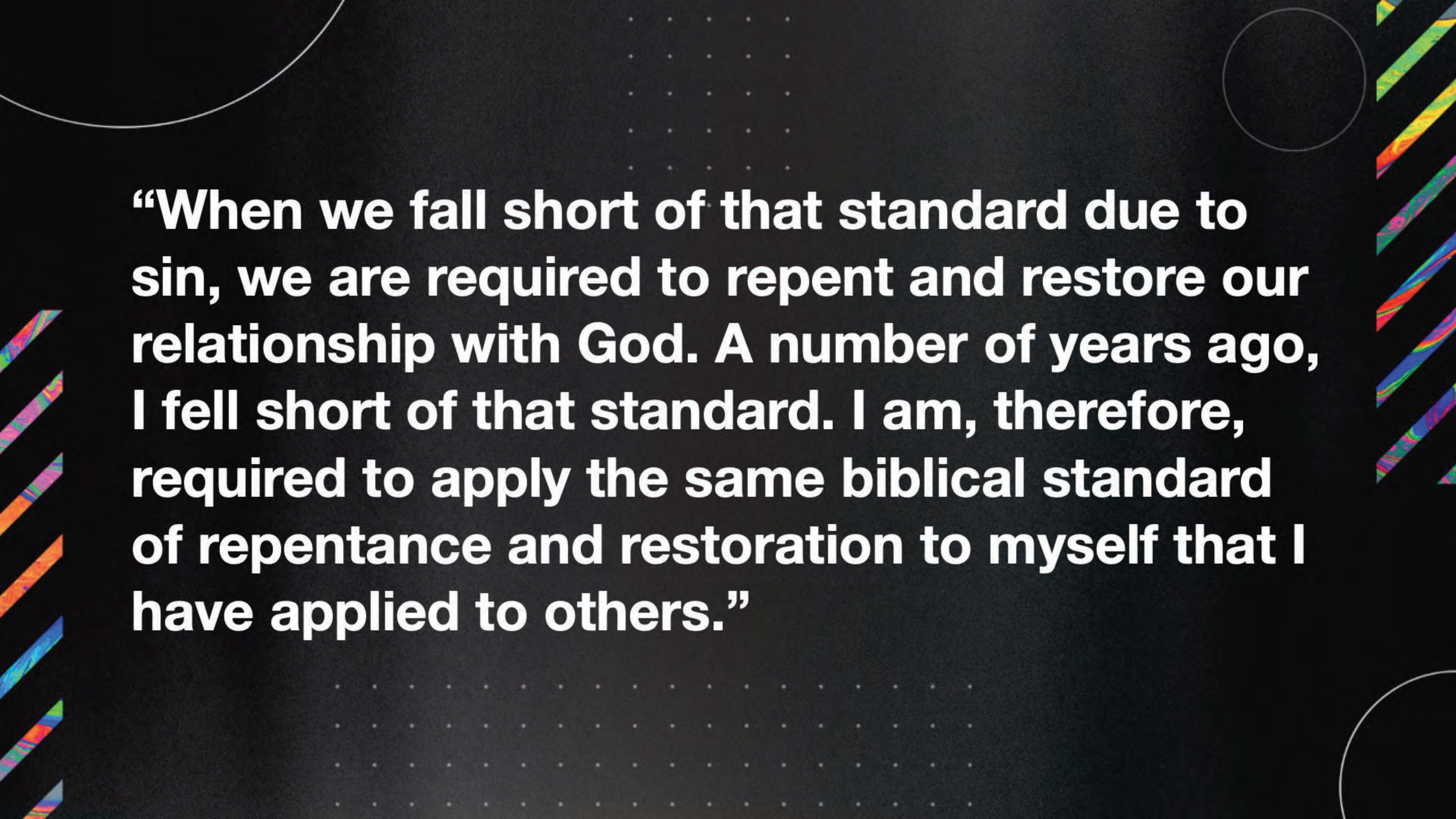
Do not admit a charge against an elder except on the evidence of two or three witnesses. As for those who persist in sin, rebuke them in the presence of all, so that the rest may stand in fear.

In the presence of God and of Christ
Jesus and of the elect angels **I charge**
you to keep these rules without
prejudging, doing nothing from
partiality. Do not be hasty in the laying
on of hands, nor take part in the sins
of others; keep yourself pure.

1 Timothy 5:19-22 ESV

Not many of you should become **teachers**, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be **judged with greater strictness.**

James 3:1 ESV



“When we fall short of that standard due to sin, we are required to repent and restore our relationship with God. A number of years ago, I fell short of that standard. I am, therefore, required to apply the same biblical standard of repentance and restoration to myself that I have applied to others.”

While he said he has “committed no crime,” he said “I did not use righteous judgment in my actions..... In light of this, I am stepping away from my pastoral duties and am submitting to a healing and restoration process established by the elders. This will afford me a needed time of spiritual recovery and healing.”

Tony Evans

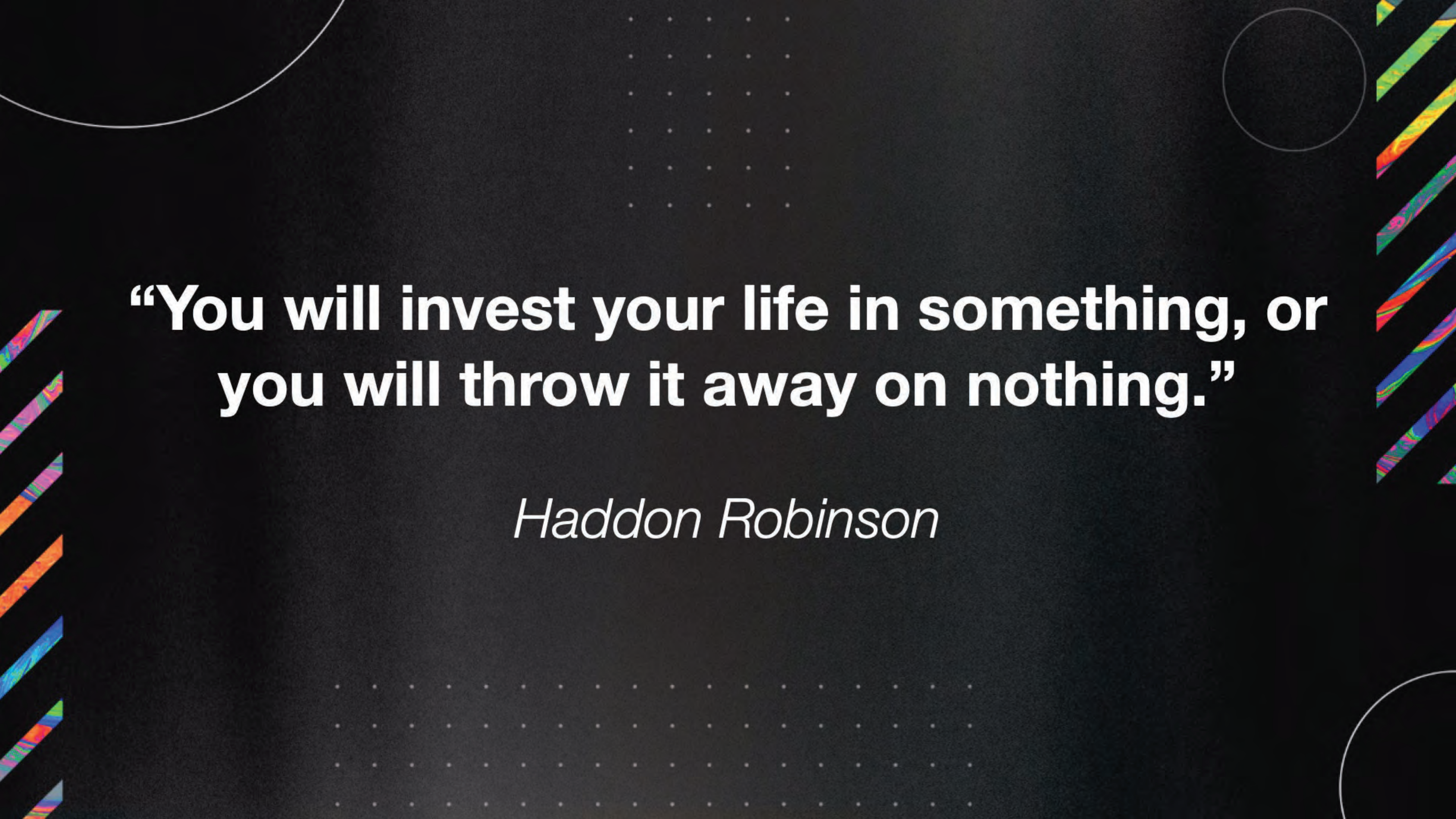
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1. A Church Characterized by Investing



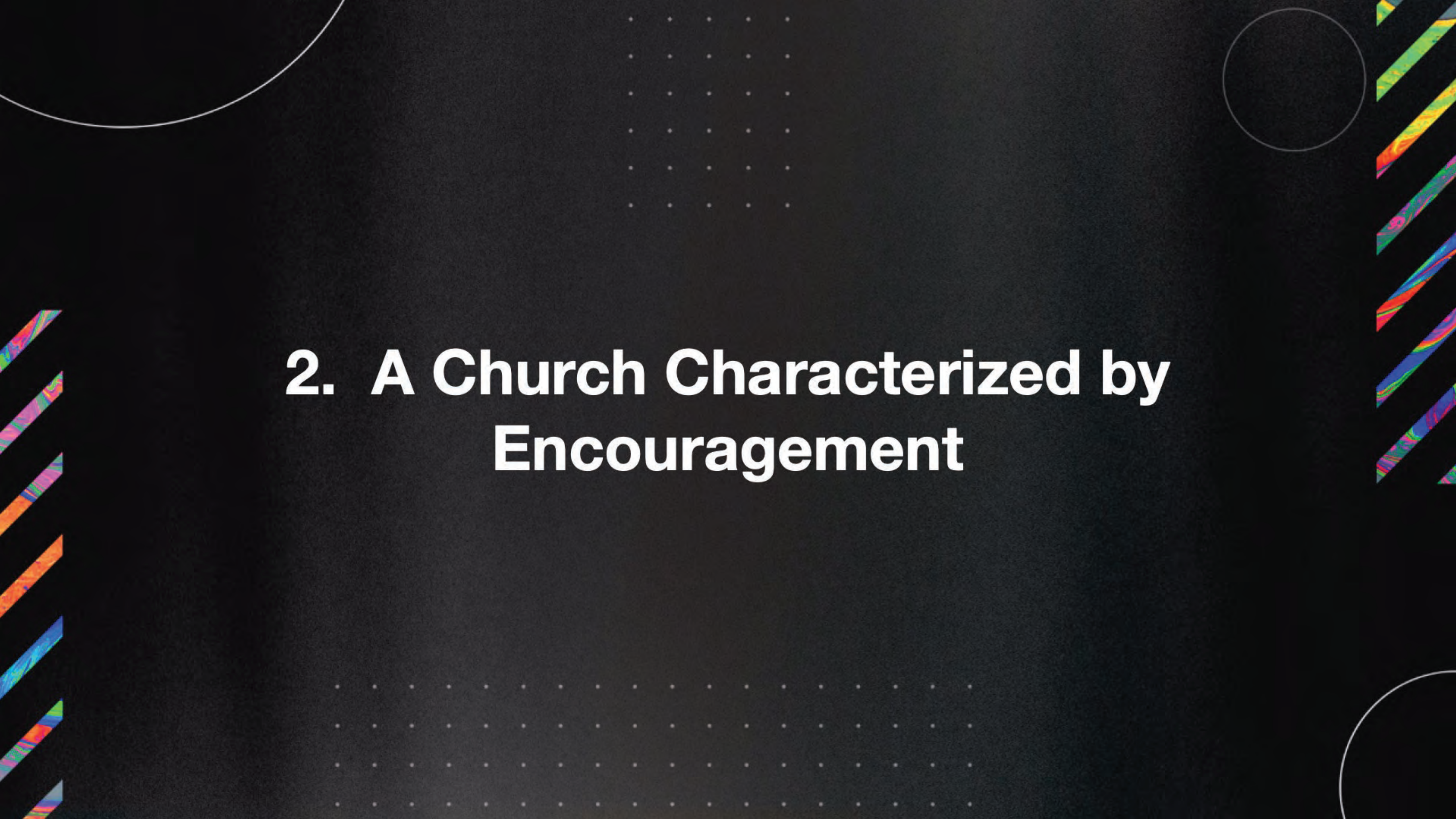
**Who are you investing in and who is
investing in you?**

Joel Rosenberg

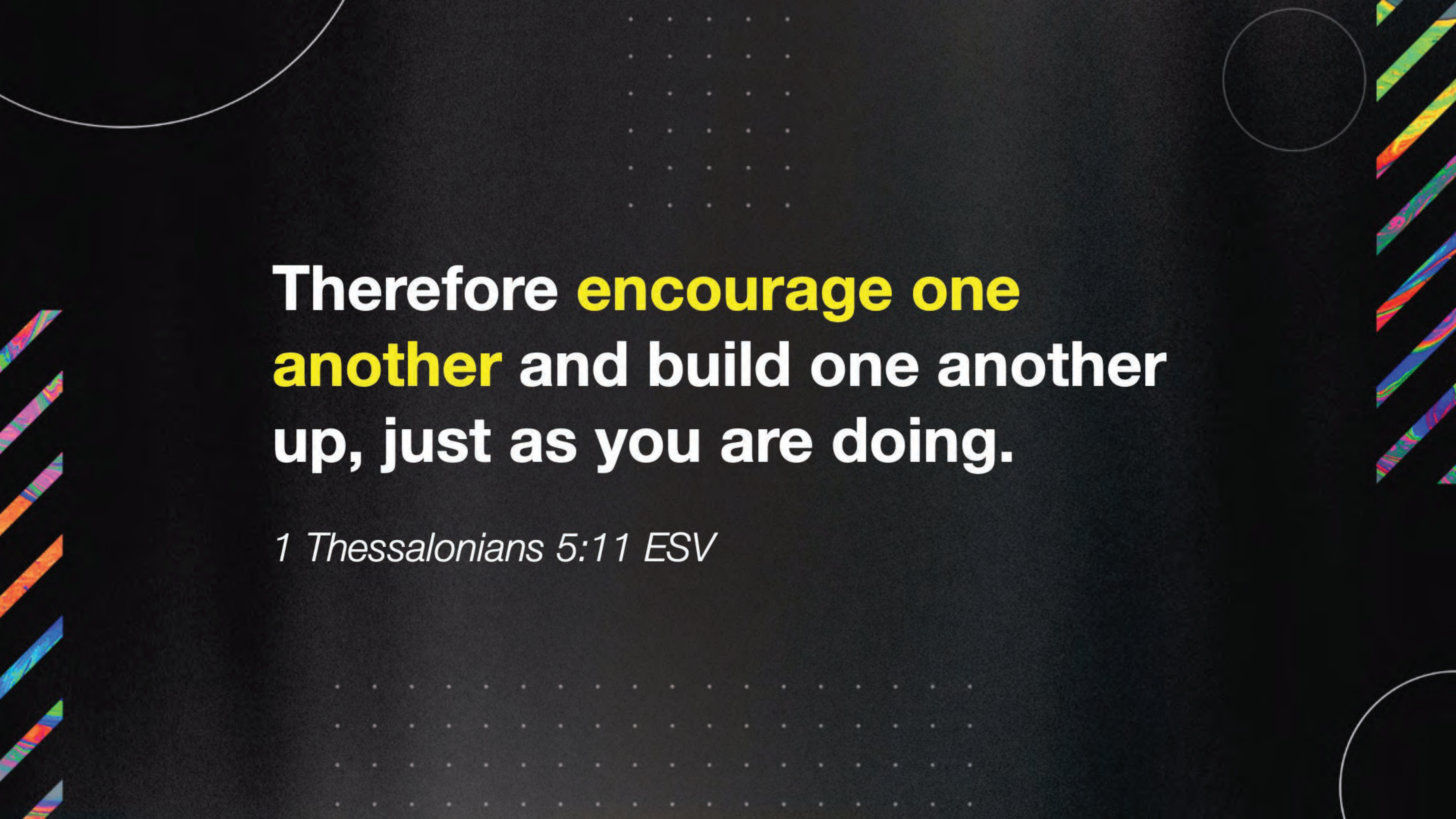


**“You will invest your life in something, or
you will throw it away on nothing.”**

Haddon Robinson



2. A Church Characterized by Encouragement



Therefore **encourage one another** and build one another up, just as you are doing.

1 Thessalonians 5:11 ESV



“Find the good and applaud.”

Zig Ziglar

3. A Priority on the Vulnerable

Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: **to visit orphans and widows in their affliction**, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

James 1:27

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