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Romans 15:4

For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.

John 8:1-11

But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At dawn He appeared again in the temple courts, where all the people gathered around Him, and He sat down to teach them.

John 8:1-11

The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman caught in adultery. They made her stand before the group and said to Jesus, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the act of adultery.

John 8:1-11

In the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do You say?” They were using this question as a trap, in order to have a basis for accusing Him.

John 8:1-11

But Jesus bent down and started to write on the ground with His finger. When they kept on questioning Him, he straightened up and said to them,

John 8:1-11

“Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.” Again He stooped down and wrote on the ground.

John 8:1-11

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John 8:1-11

“Then neither do I condemn you,” Jesus declared. “Go now and leave your life of sin.”

A dark, teal-toned landscape with mountains, trees, and a flock of birds flying in the sky. The scene is rendered in a painterly style with a monochromatic color palette. The mountains are silhouetted against a lighter sky, and the trees are scattered across the foreground and middle ground. A large flock of birds is flying in the upper portion of the image, adding a sense of movement and life to the scene.

1. Some manuscripts omit the story.

John 21:24-25

This is the disciple who testifies to these things and who wrote them down. We know that His testimony is true. Jesus did many other things as well. If every one of them were written down,

John 21:24-25

I suppose that even the whole world would not have room for the books that would be written.

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2. The Pharisees exploited the story.

5 keys to success are

1. Wake up @ 6:00 AM daily.
2. Read 1 book a week.
3. Workout 2x daily.
4. Inherit \$50M trust fund from your father @ 30 y/o.
5. Drink a gallon of water daily.

Do the work & anything is possible.

Proverbs 16:2

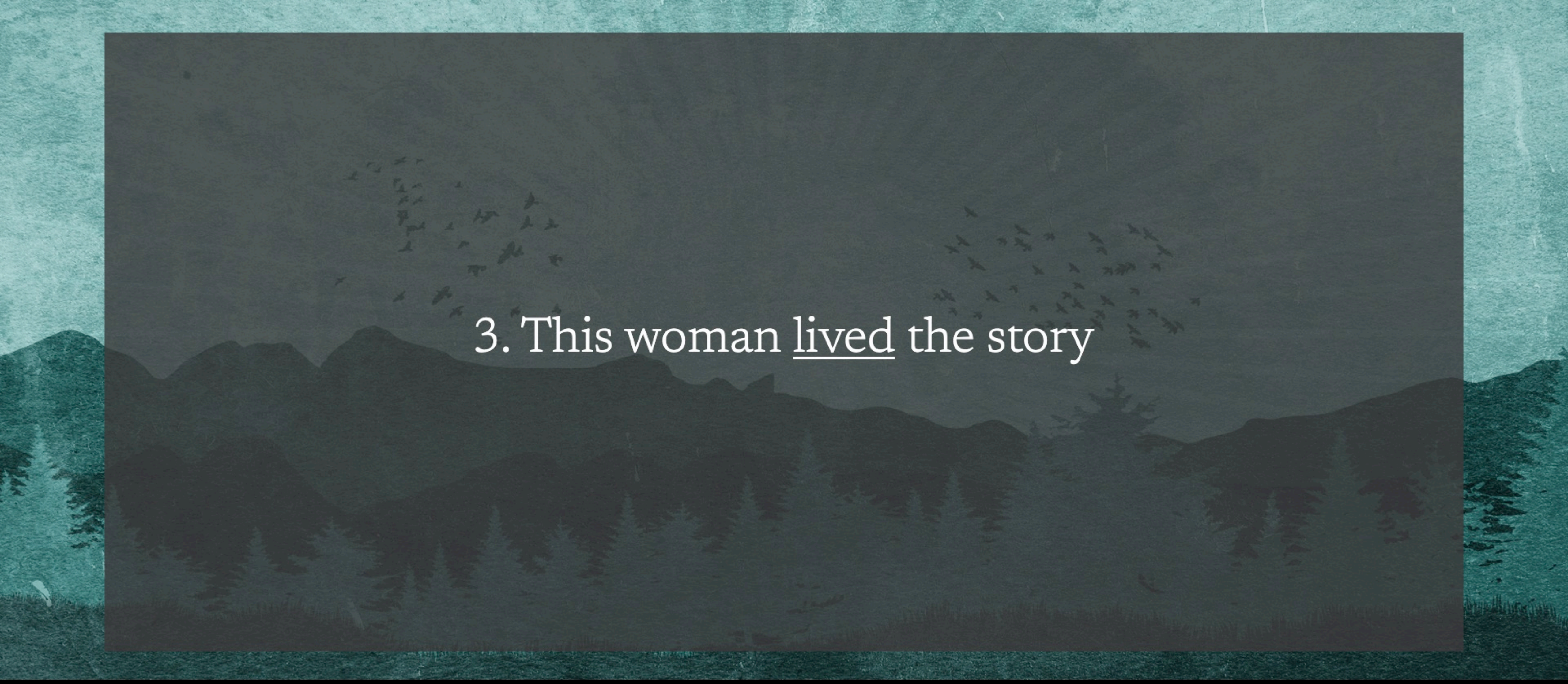
All a person's ways seem pure to them, but motives are weighed by the Lord.

Proverbs 21:2

A person may think their own ways are right, but the Lord weighs the heart.

Proverbs 30:12

Those who are pure in their own eyes and yet are not cleansed of their filth.



3. This woman lived the story



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4. Jesus always knows the whole story

Matthew 9:4

Knowing their thoughts, Jesus said, “Why do you entertain evil thoughts in your hearts?”

Matthew 22:18

But Jesus, **knowing their evil intent**, said, “You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap Me?”

Luke 9:47

Jesus, **knowing their thoughts**, took a little child and had him stand beside Him.

John 6:15

Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make Him king by force, withdrew again

John 18:4

Jesus, **knowing all** that was going to happen to Him, went out and asked them Who is it you want?

John 8:6b-8

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John 8:6b-8

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Jeremiah 17:13

LORD, you are the hope of Israel; all who forsake You will be put to shame. Those who turn away from You will be **written in the dust** because they have forsaken the LORD, the spring of living water.



John 8:9-11

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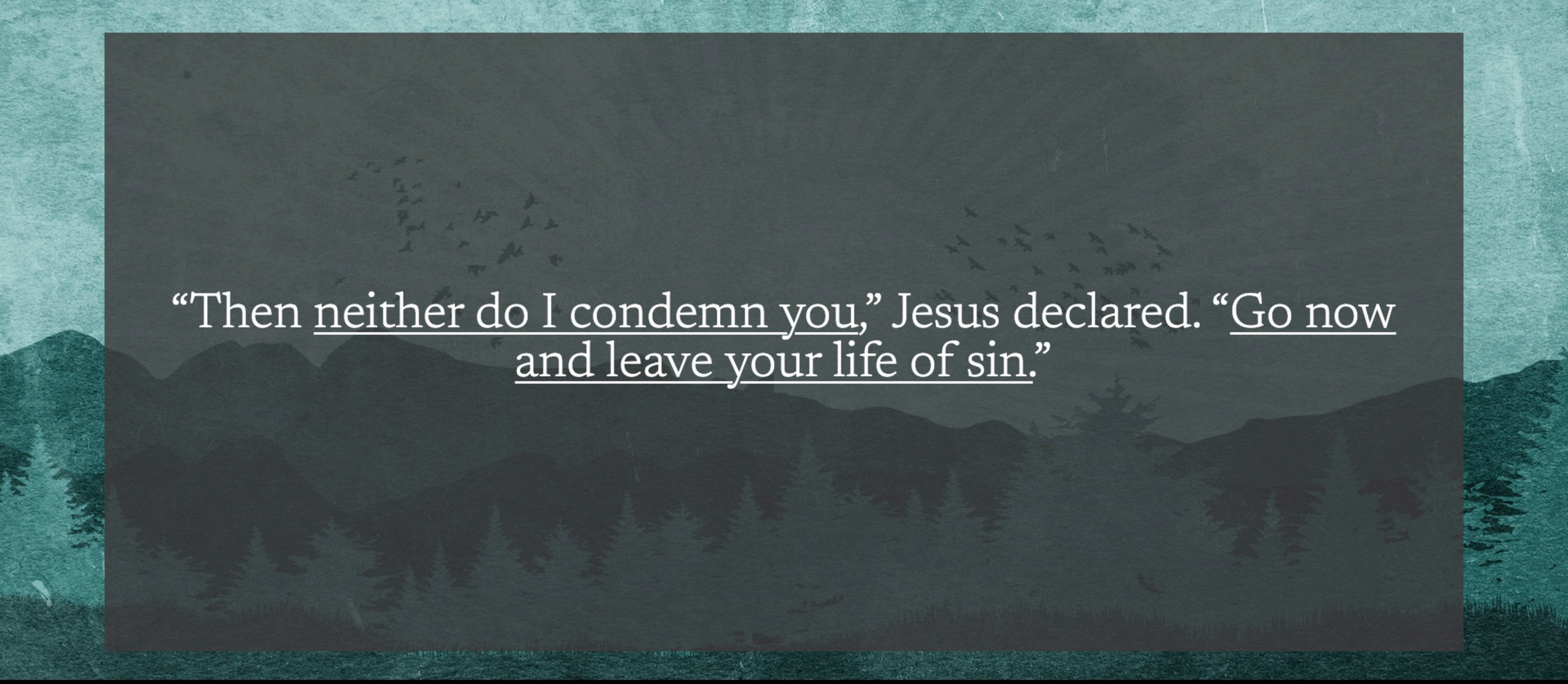
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5. We miss parts of the story.

John 8:10-11

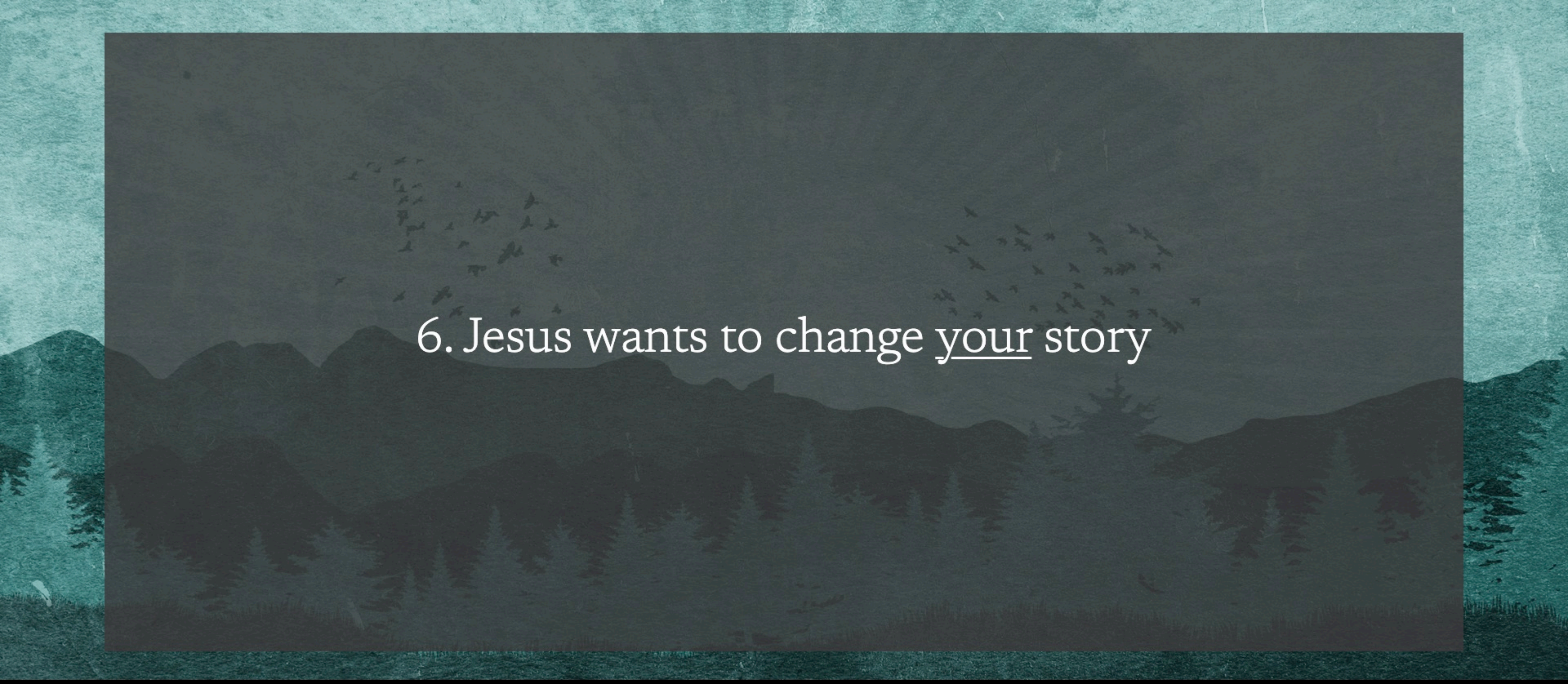
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Trifecta of Scripture misuse

- “Neither do I condemn you.” (did not come to condemn)
- “Judge not that you be not judged” (log out of own eye)
- “God is love!”

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6. Jesus wants to change your story

Luke 7:34

The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and you say, 'Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.

Matthew 9:11-13

When the Pharisees saw this, they asked His disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” On hearing this, Jesus said, “It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick.

Matthew 9:11-13

But go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.”

