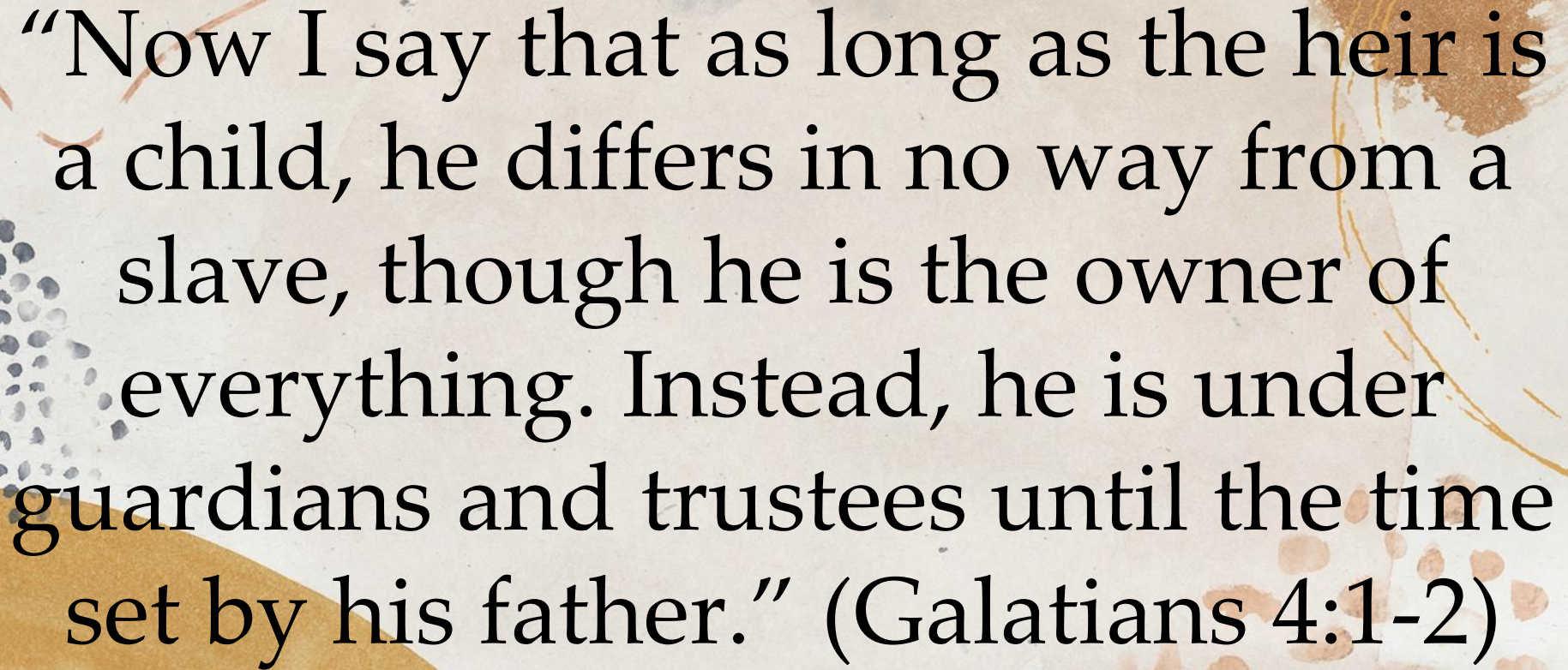




**"LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN
COME TO ME!"**

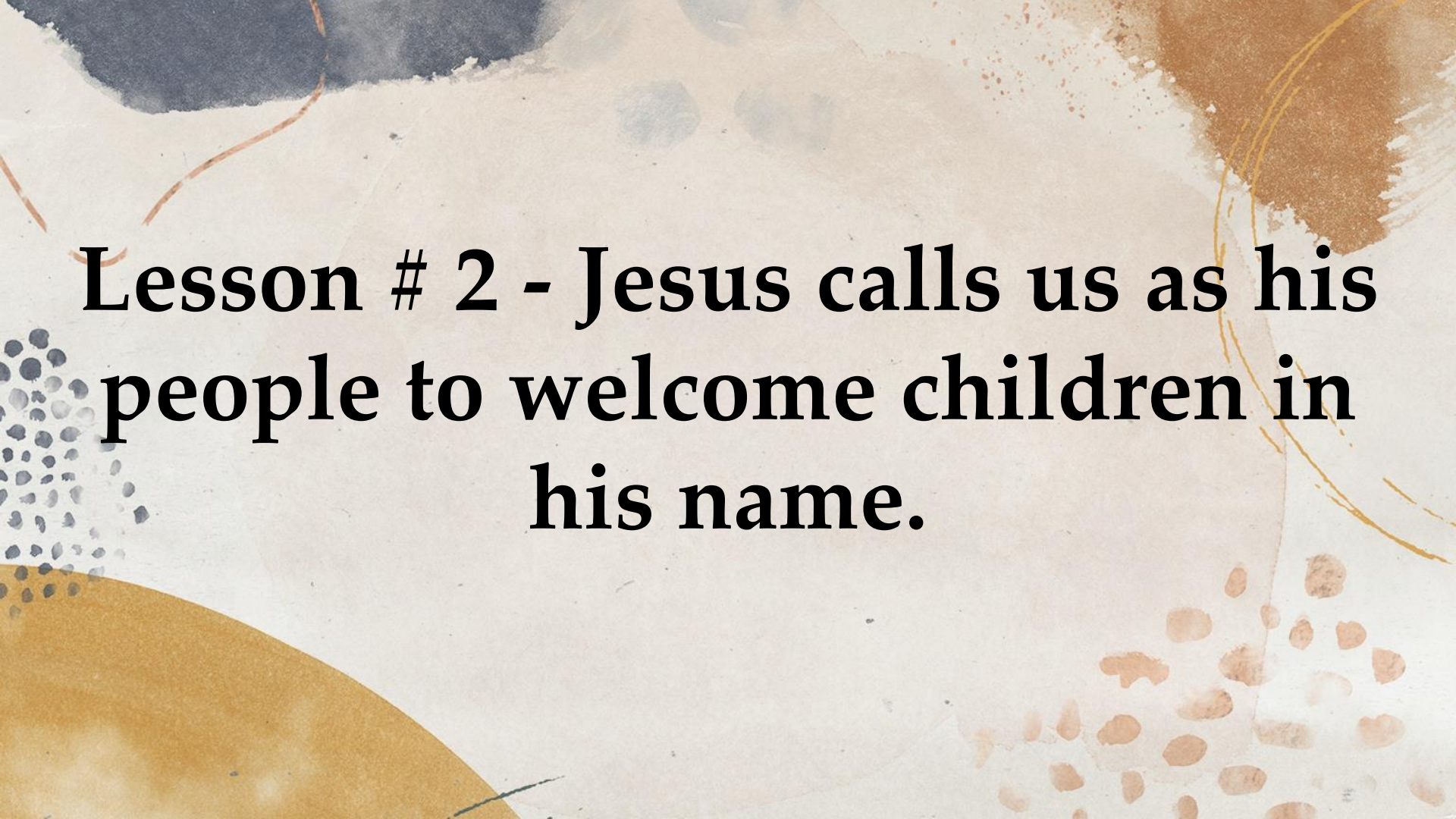


“Now I say that as long as the heir is a child, he differs in no way from a slave, though he is the owner of everything. Instead, he is under guardians and trustees until the time set by his father.” (Galatians 4:1-2)

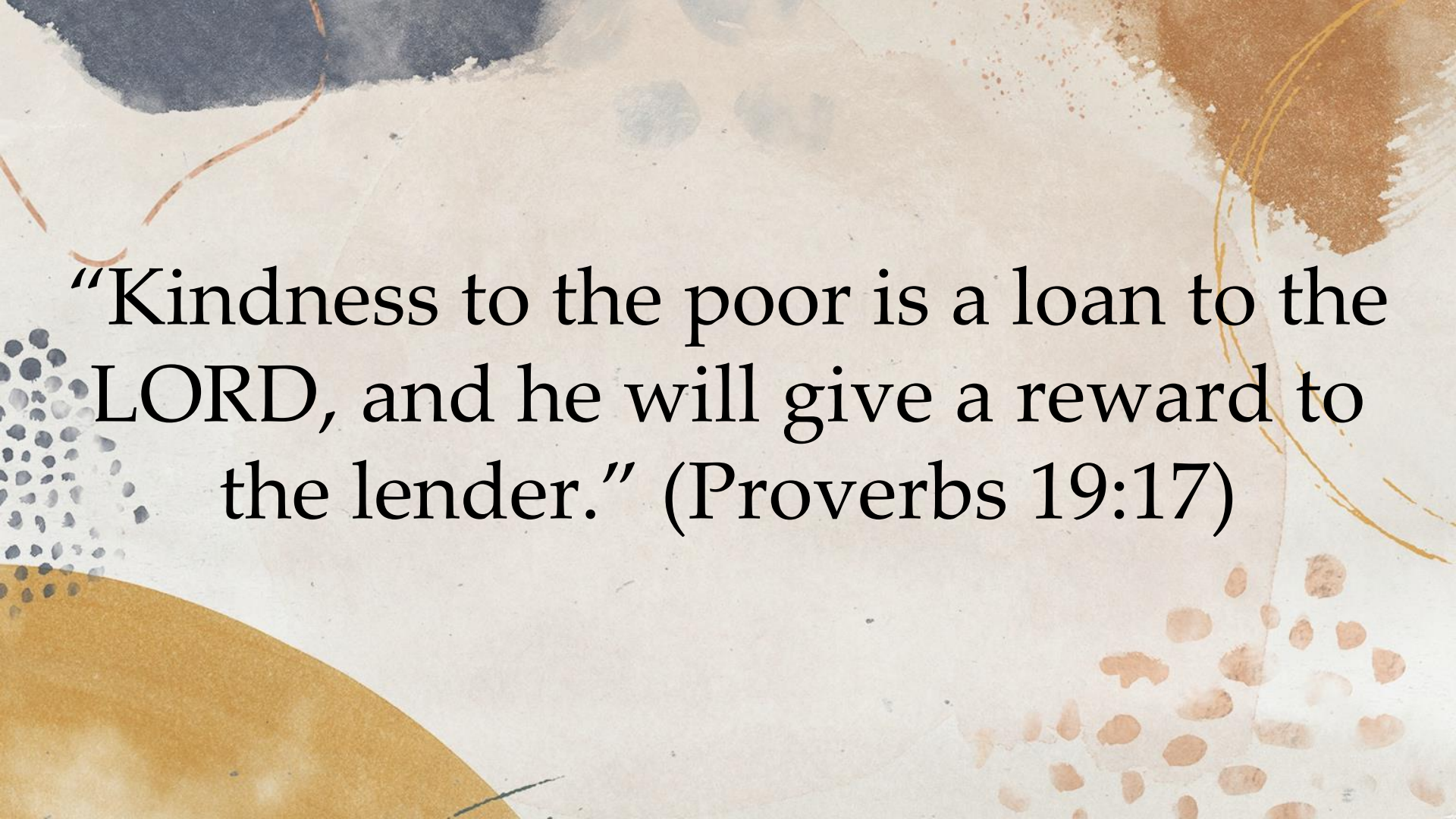
“He took a child, had him stand among them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, ‘Whoever welcomes one little child such as this in my name welcomes me. And whoever welcomes me does not welcome me, but him who sent me.’” (Mark 9:36-37)



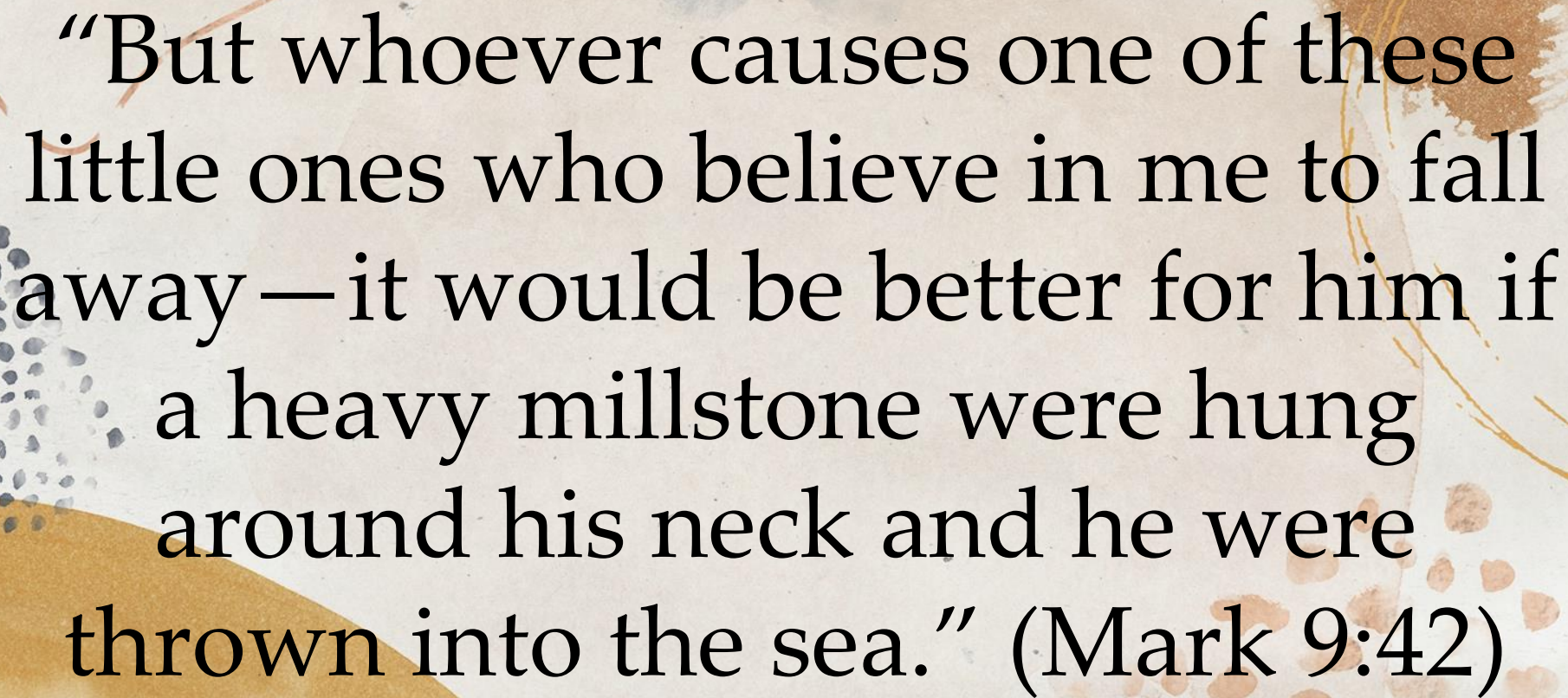
Lesson # 1 - It's not about you.



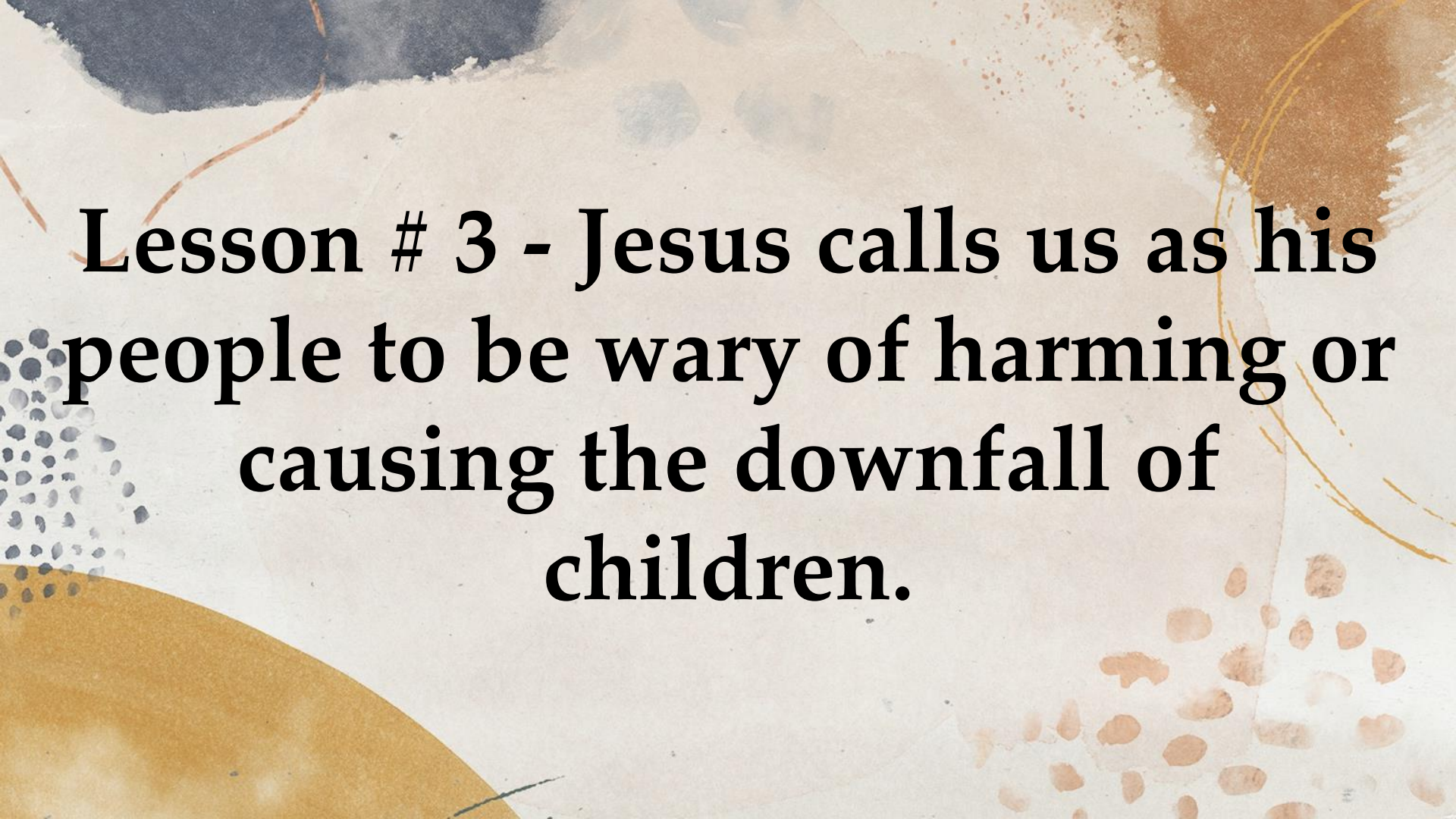
**Lesson # 2 - Jesus calls us as his
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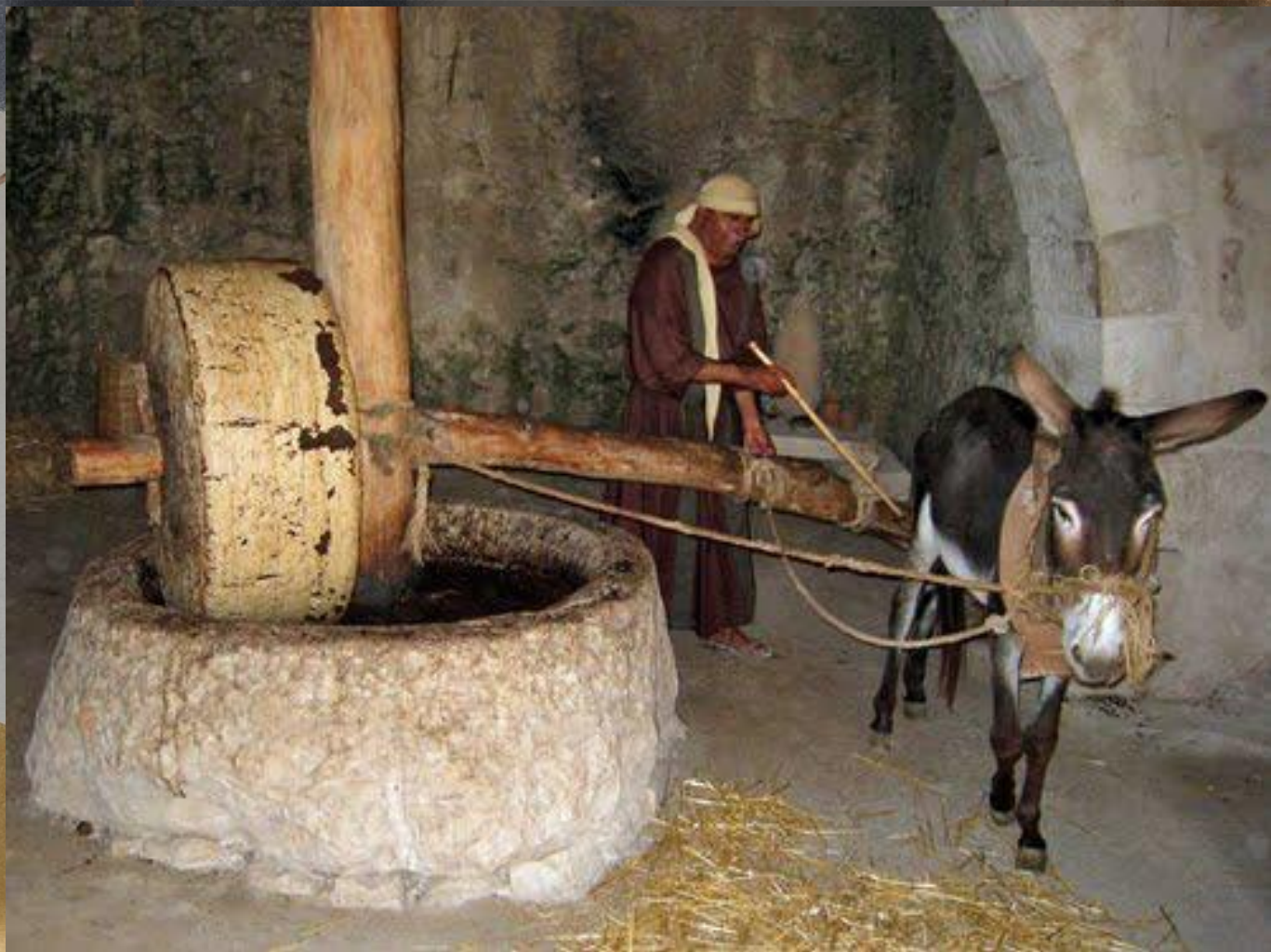
“Kindness to the poor is a loan to the LORD, and he will give a reward to the lender.” (Proverbs 19:17)

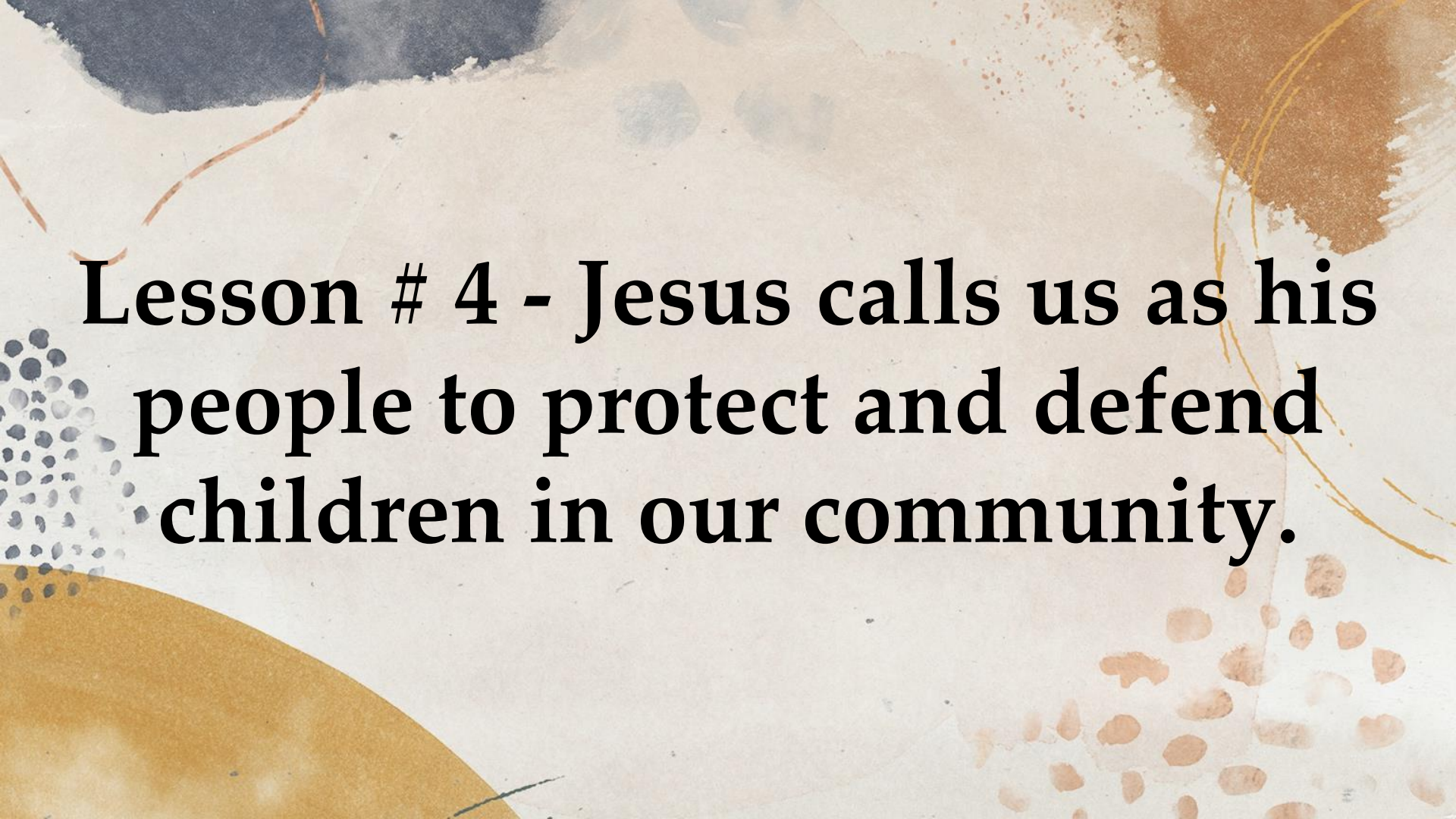


“But whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to fall away—it would be better for him if a heavy millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea.” (Mark 9:42)

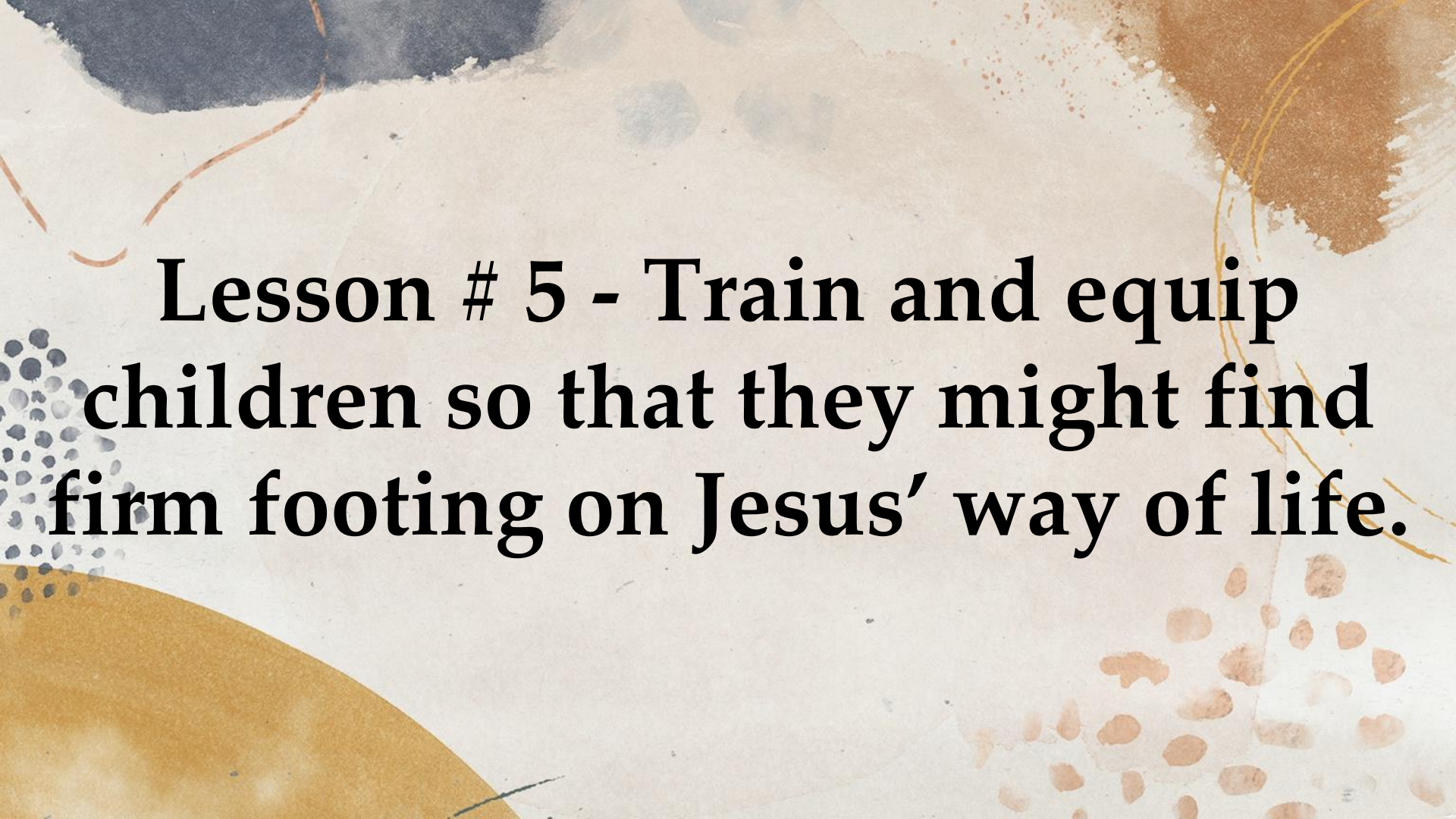


**Lesson # 3 - Jesus calls us as his
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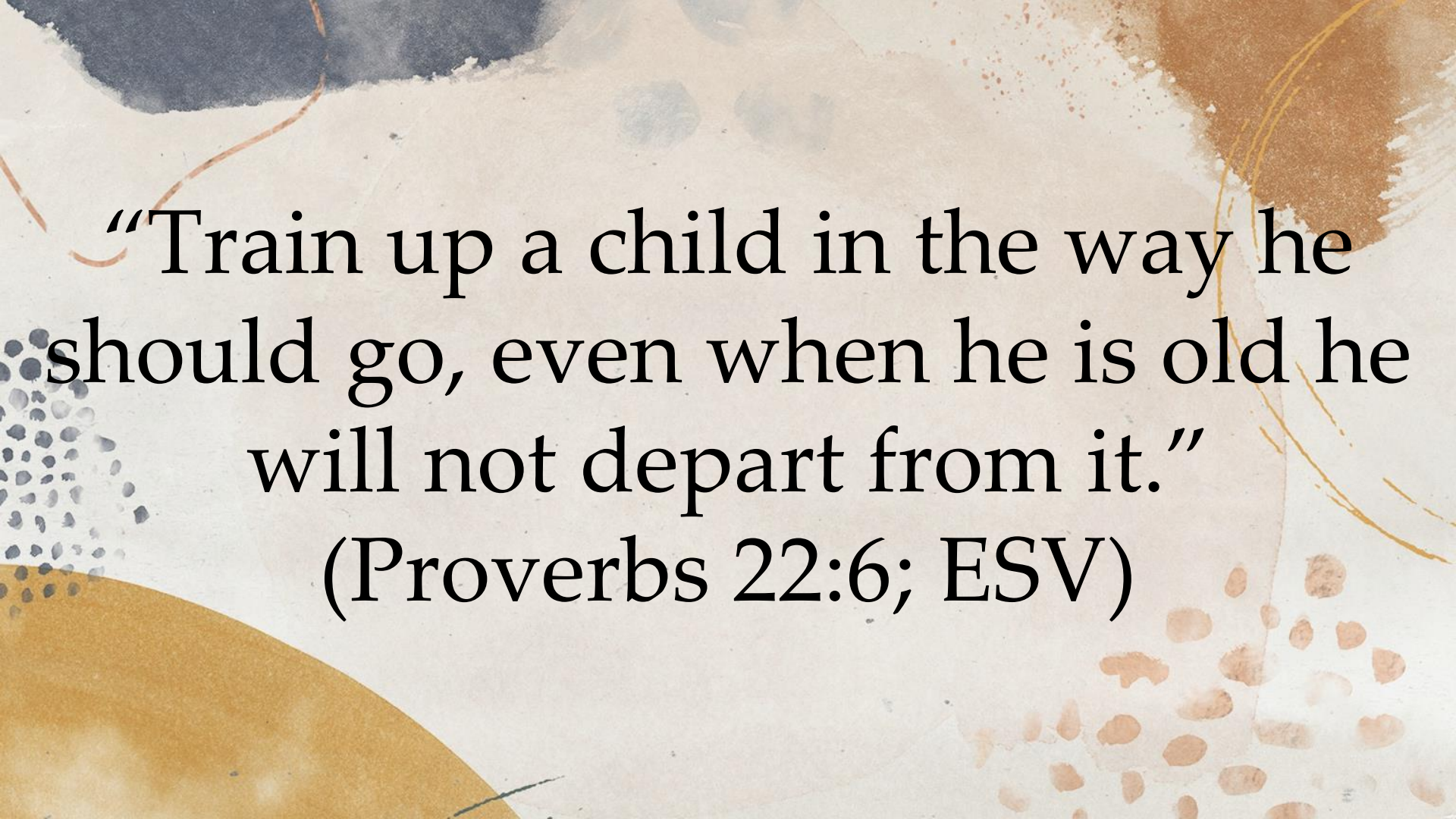




**Lesson # 4 - Jesus calls us as his
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children in our community.**

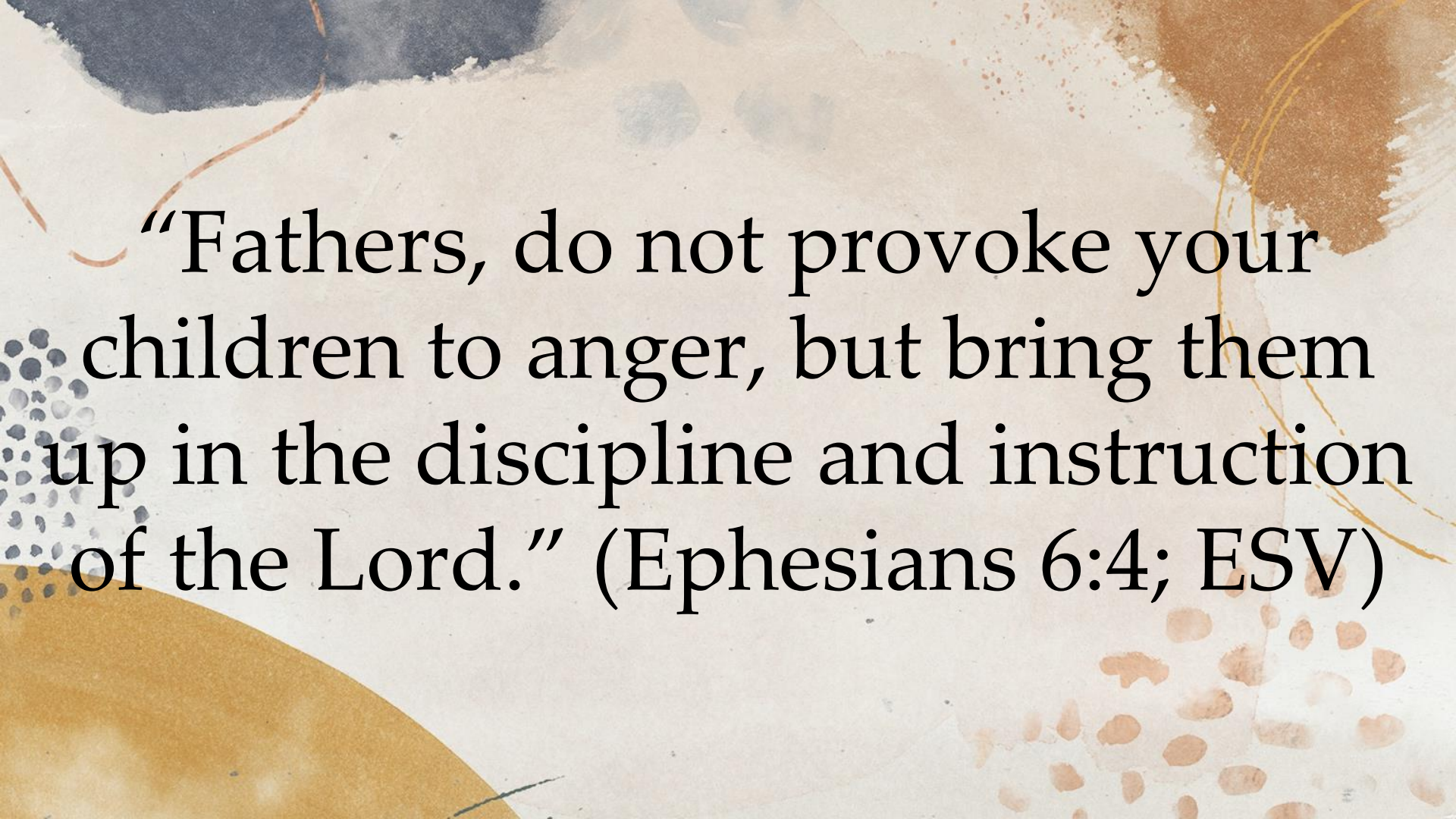


**Lesson # 5 - Train and equip
children so that they might find
firm footing on Jesus' way of life.**

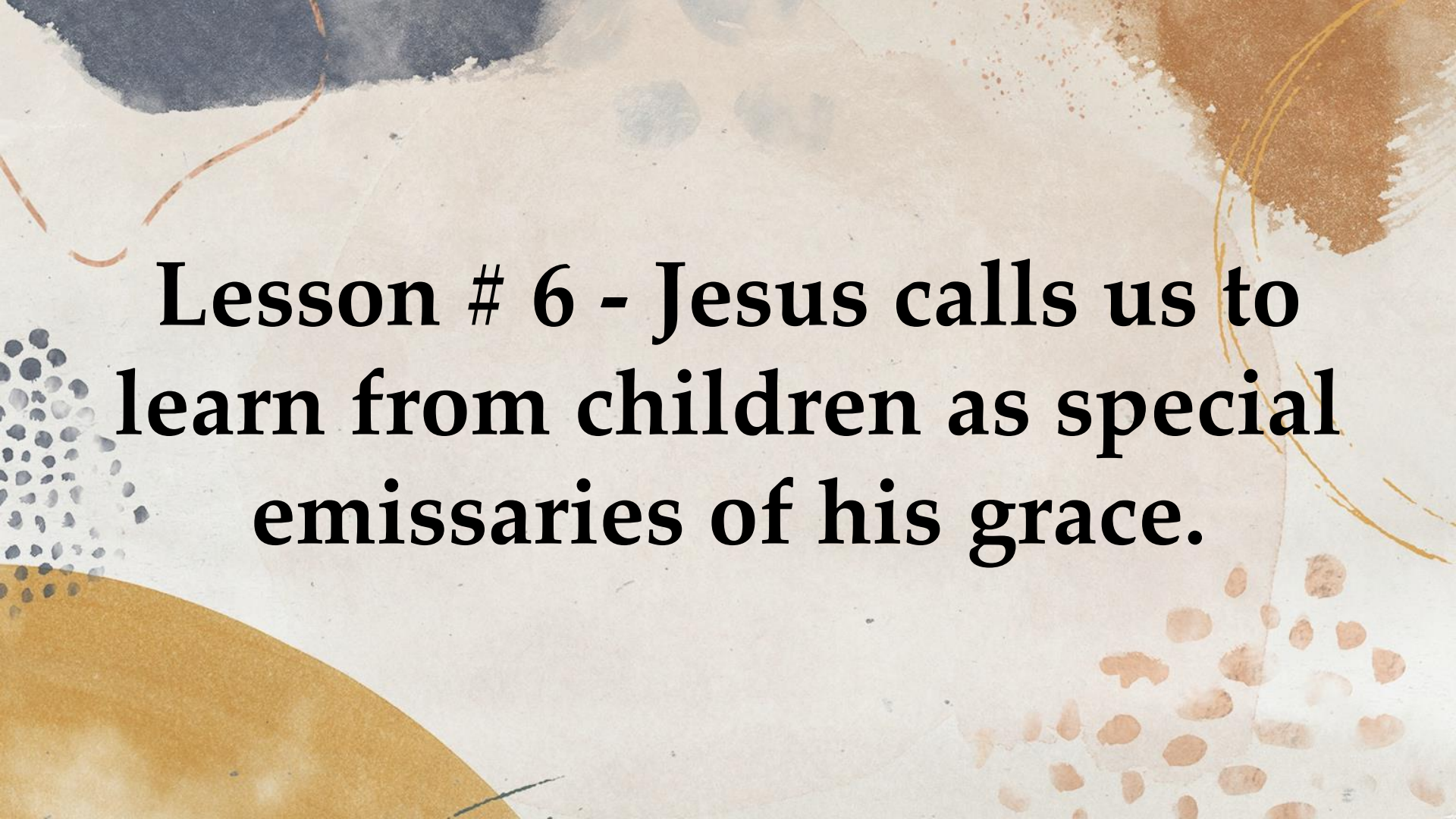


“Train up a child in the way he
should go, even when he is old he
will not depart from it.”

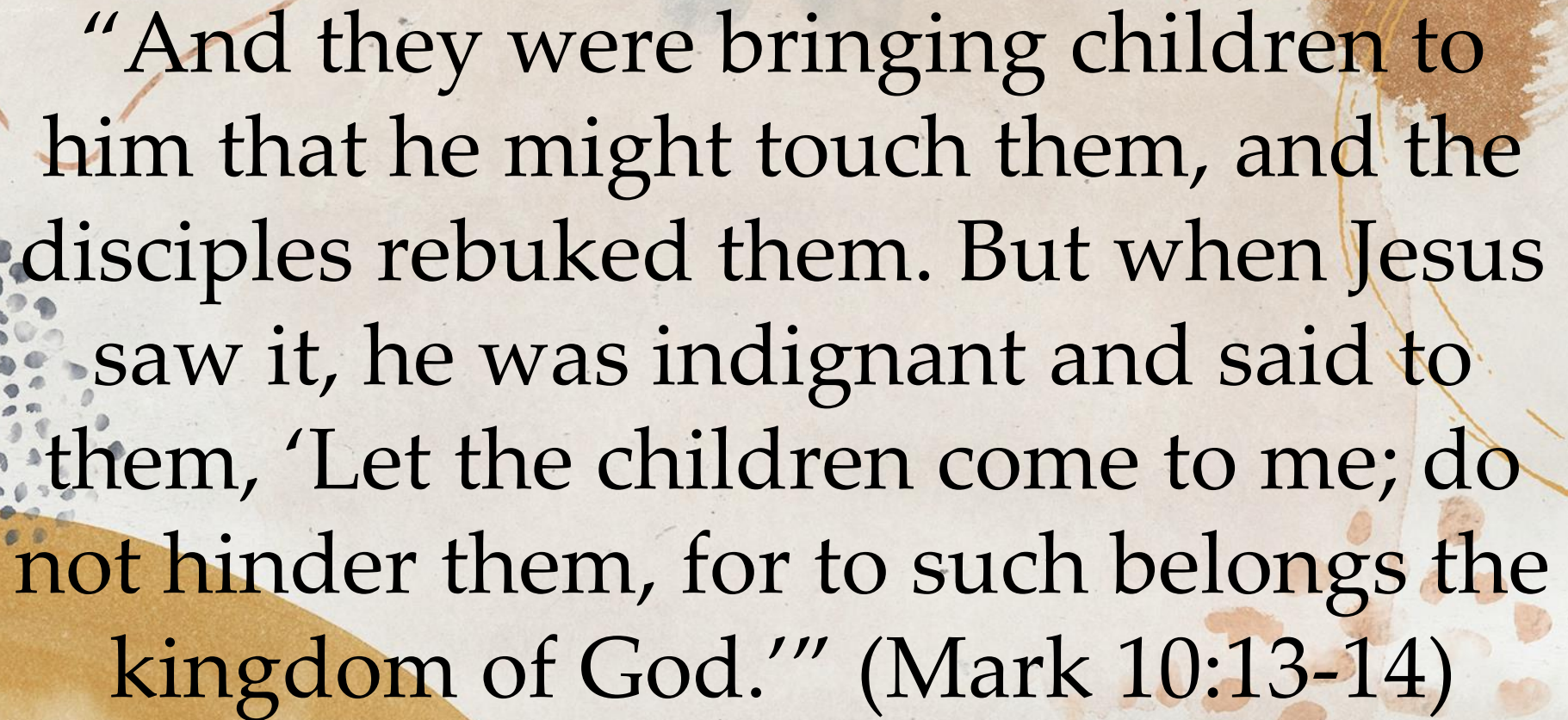
(Proverbs 22:6; ESV)



“Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.” (Ephesians 6:4; ESV)

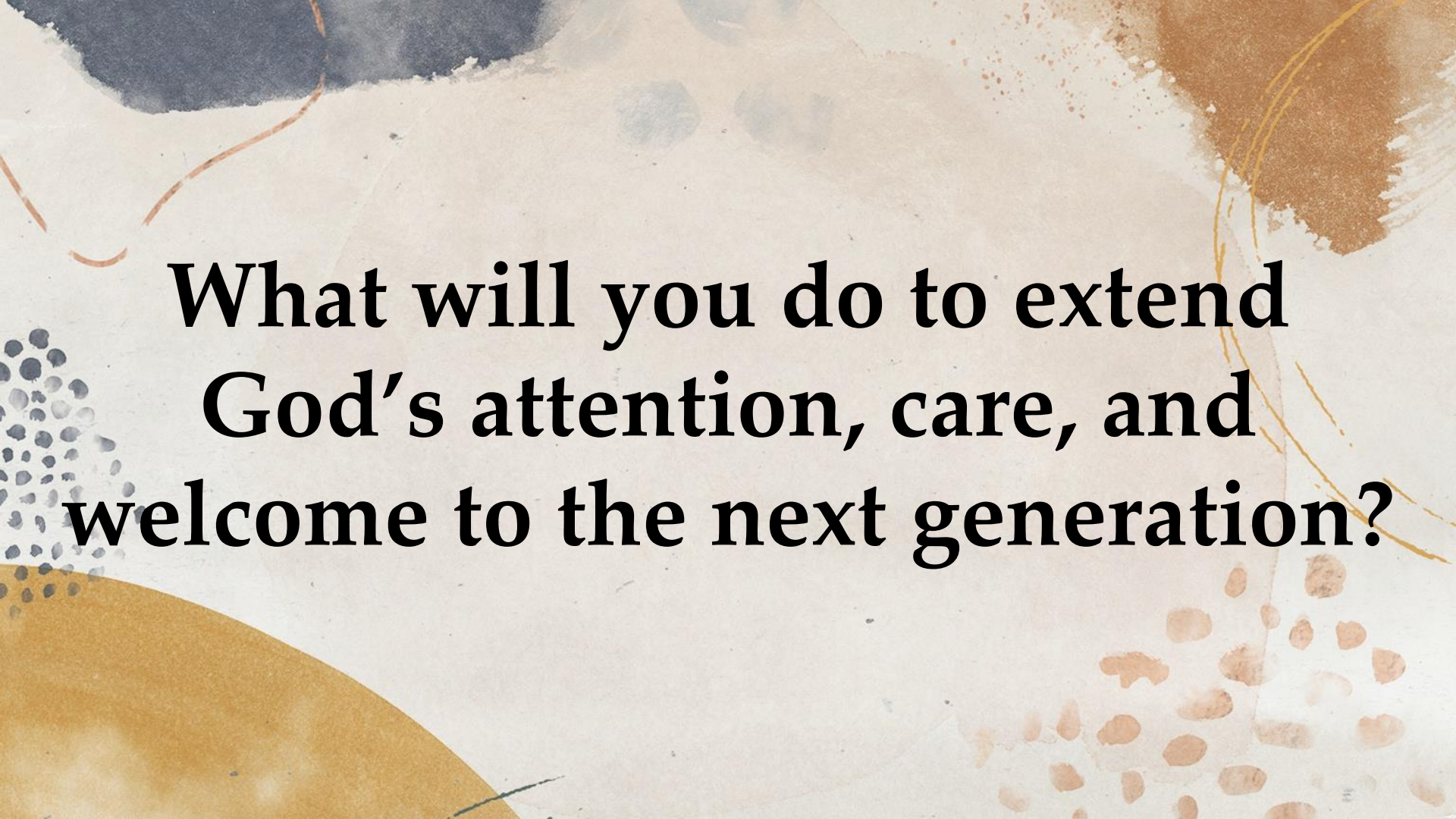


**Lesson # 6 - Jesus calls us to
learn from children as special
emissaries of his grace.**



“And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, ‘Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God.’” (Mark 10:13-14)

“‘Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.’ And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.” (Mark 10:15-16)



**What will you do to extend
God's attention, care, and
welcome to the next generation?**