

Joshua

The Story of
The Promise-Keeping God

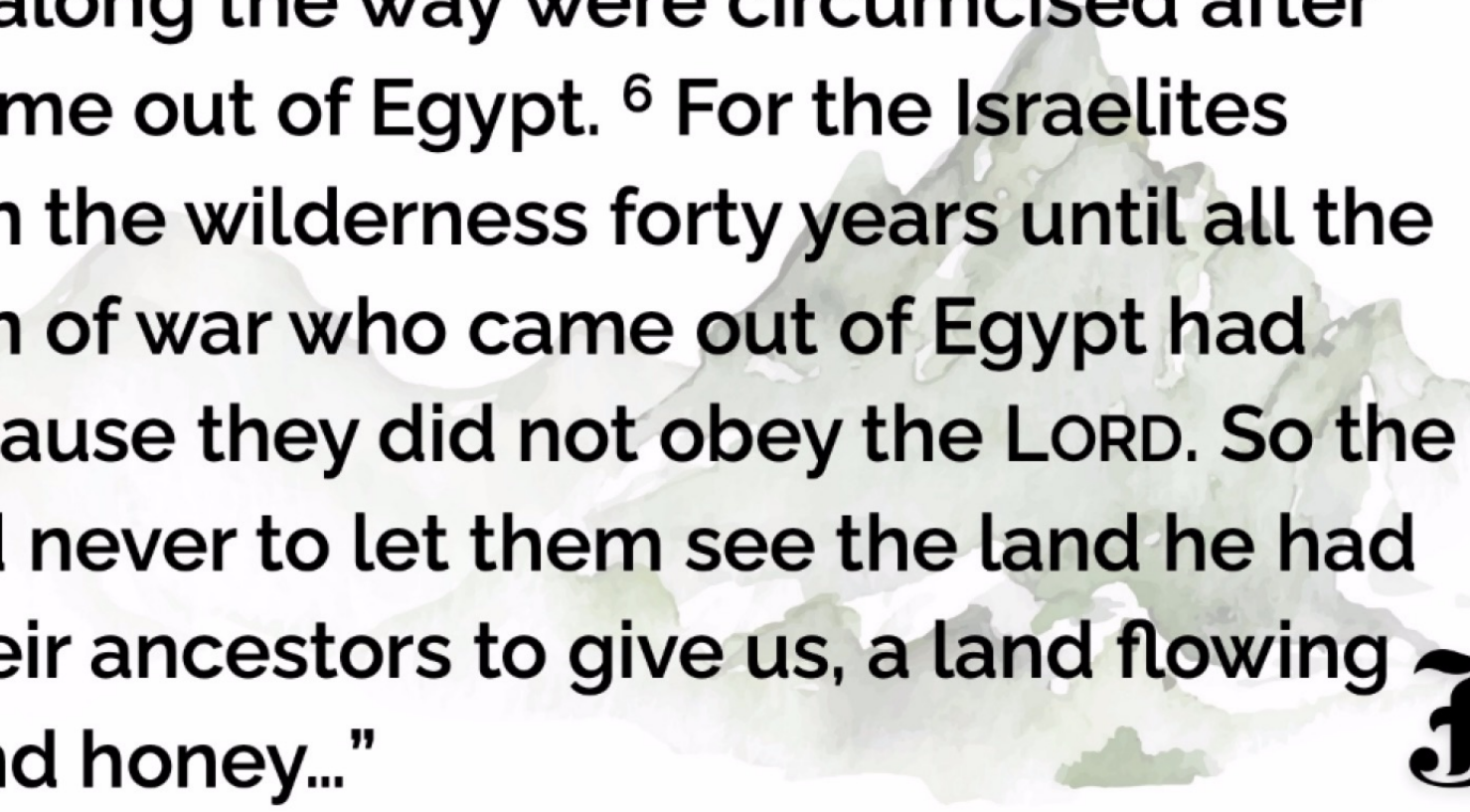
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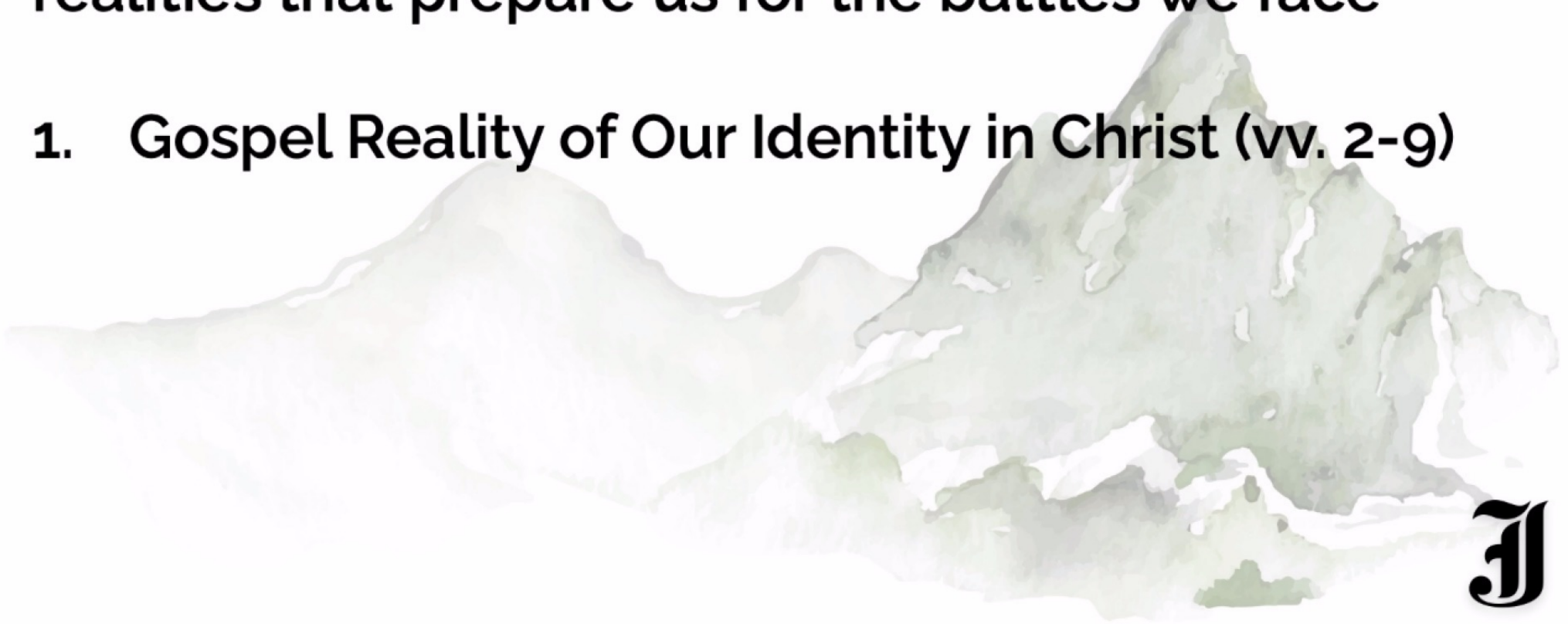
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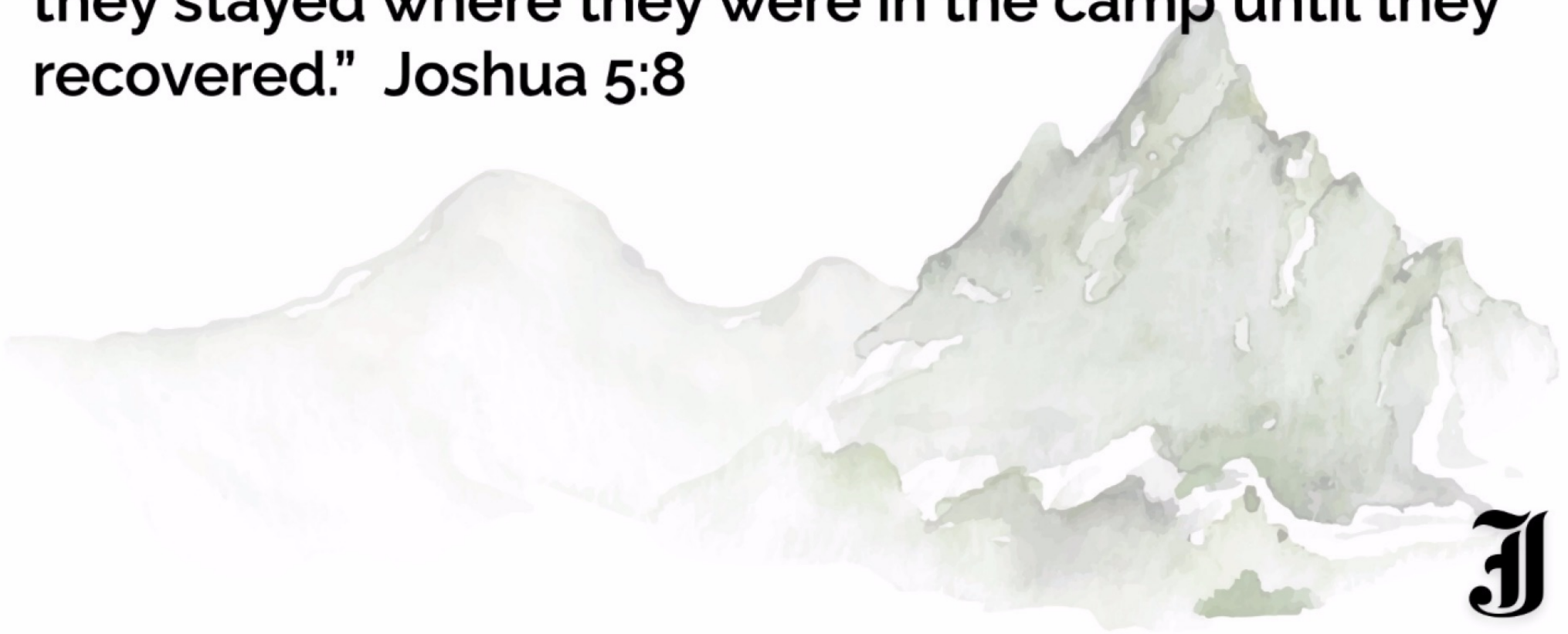


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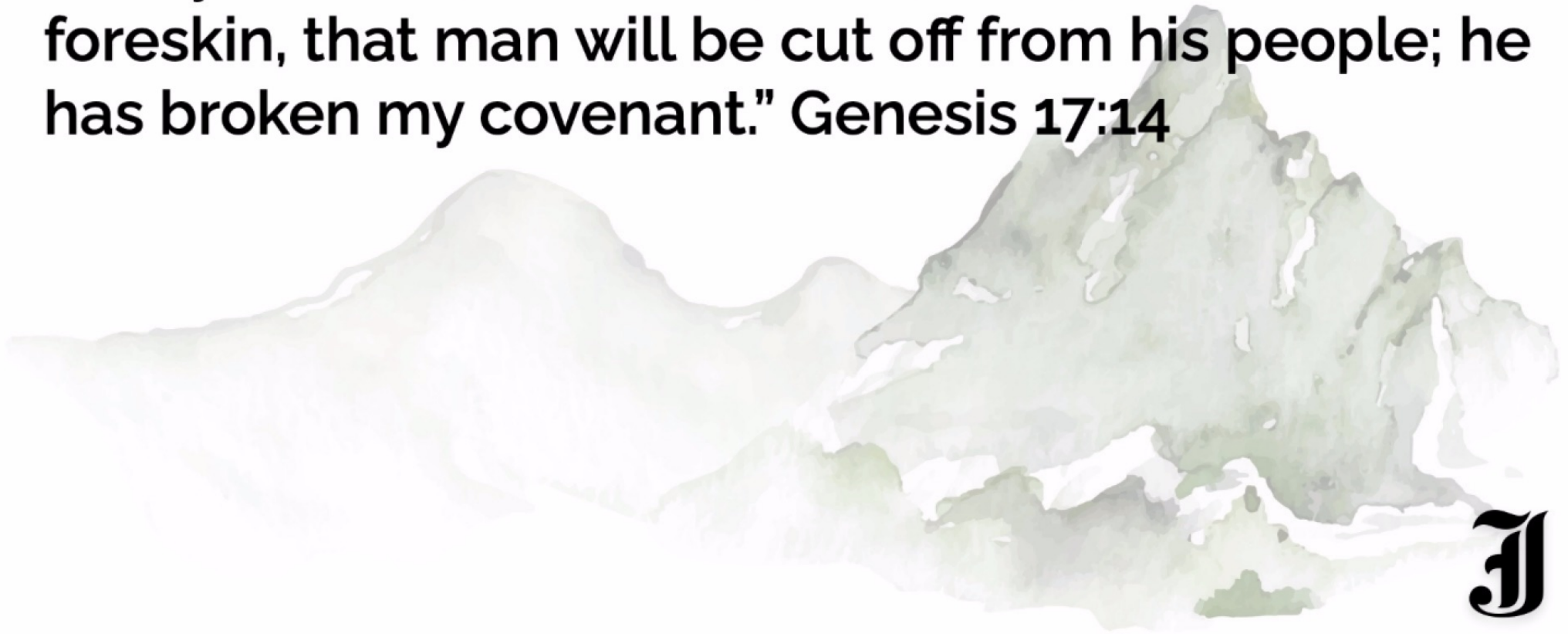
“⁷ Above all, be strong and very courageous to observe carefully the whole instruction my servant Moses commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right or the left, so that you will have success wherever you go. ⁸ This book of instruction must not depart from your mouth; you are to meditate on it day and night so that you may carefully observe everything written in it. For then you will prosper and succeed in whatever you do.” Joshua 1:7-8



“7 I will confirm my covenant that is between me and you and your future offspring throughout their generations. It is a permanent covenant to be your God and the God of your offspring after you. 8 And to you and your future offspring I will give the land where you are residing—all the land of Canaan—as a permanent possession, and I will be their God...¹¹ You must circumcise the flesh of your foreskin to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and you.” Genesis 17:7-8, 11



“If any male is not circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin, that man will be cut off from his people; he has broken my covenant.” Genesis 17:14



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Joshua 5:9



“Therefore, circumcise your hearts and don’t be stiff-necked any longer.” Deuteronomy 10:16

“The LORD your God will circumcise your heart and the hearts of your descendants, and you will love him with all your heart and all your soul so that you will live.” Deuteronomy 30:6



“¹⁶This is the covenant I will make with them after those days, the Lord says, I will put my laws on their hearts and write them on their minds, ¹⁷and I will never again remember their sins and their lawless acts.” Hebrews 10:16–17



**“¹¹ You were also circumcised in him with a
circumcision not done with hands, by putting off the
body of flesh, in the circumcision of Christ.”**

Colossians 2:11



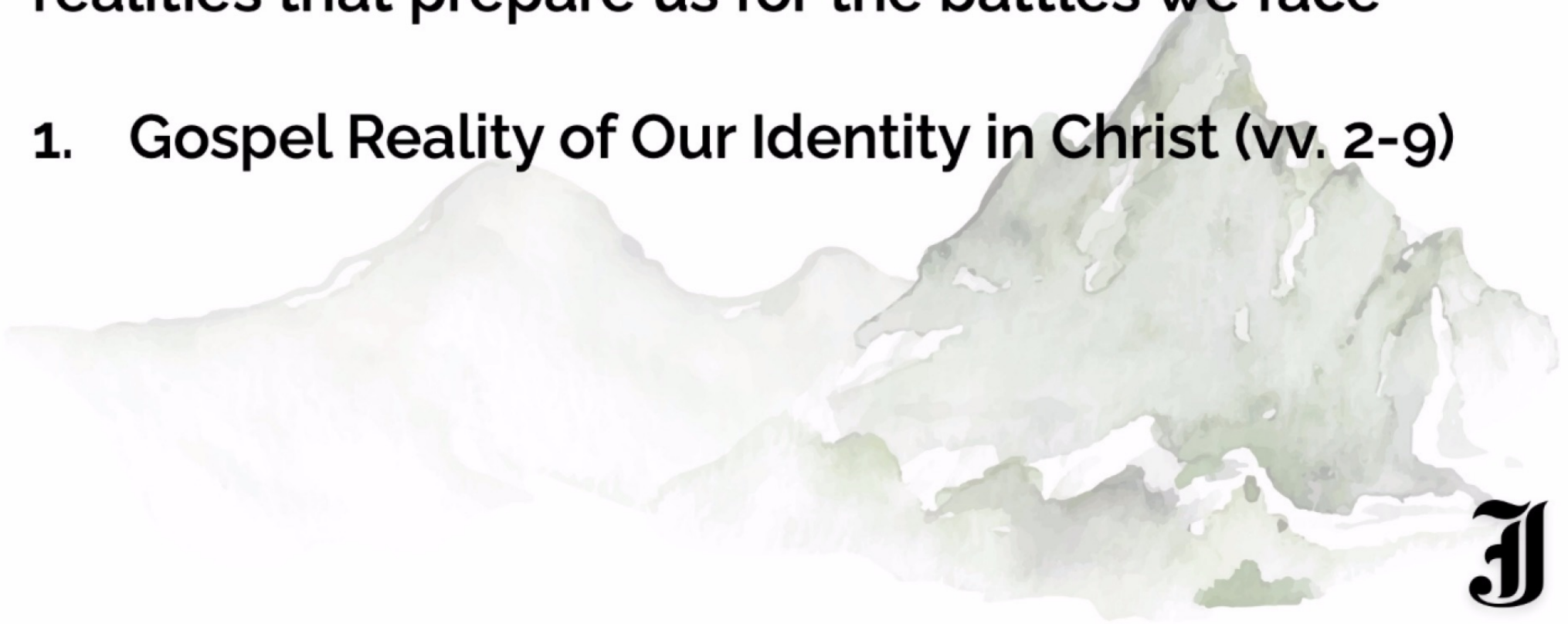
“¹³And when you were dead in trespasses and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, he made you alive with him and forgave us all our trespasses. ¹⁴ He erased the certificate of debt...and has taken it away by nailing it to the cross.”

Colossians 2:13–14



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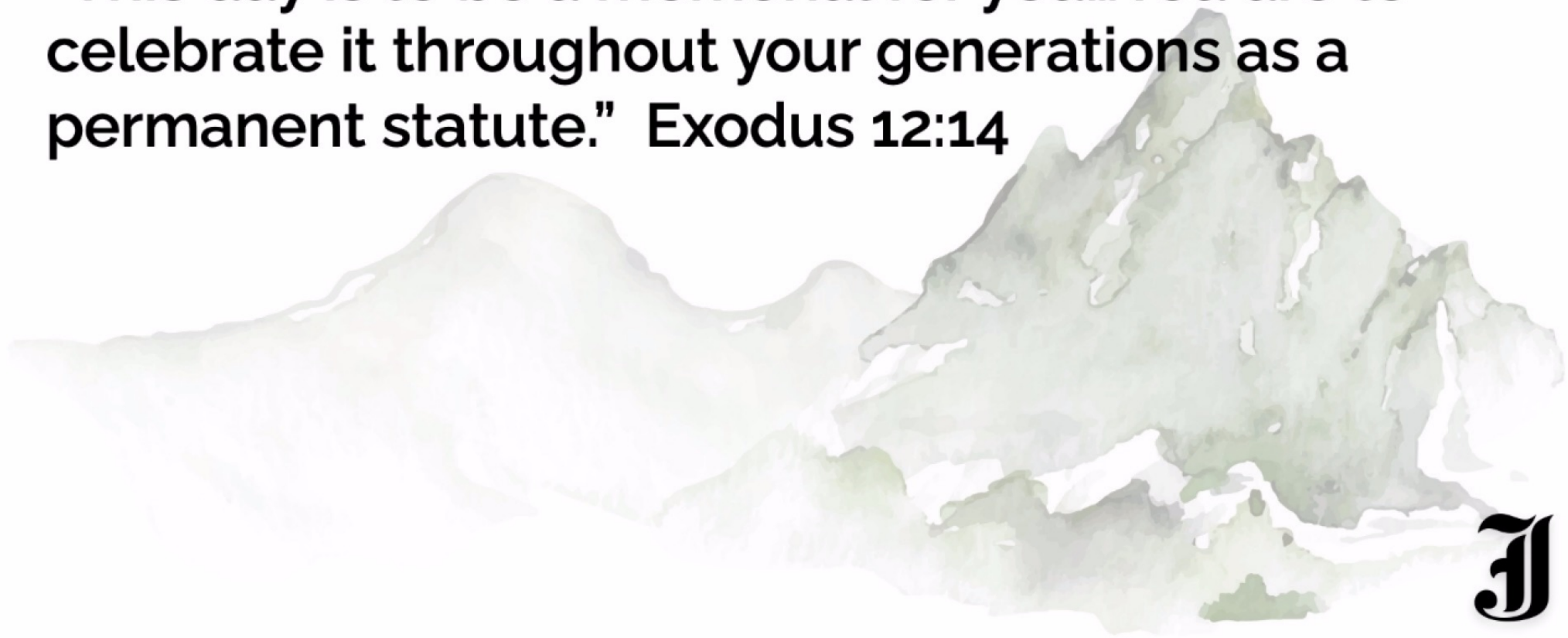


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Joshua 5:10



“This day is to be a memorial for you...You are to celebrate it throughout your generations as a permanent statute.” Exodus 12:14



“...For Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed.” 1 Corinthians 5:7b



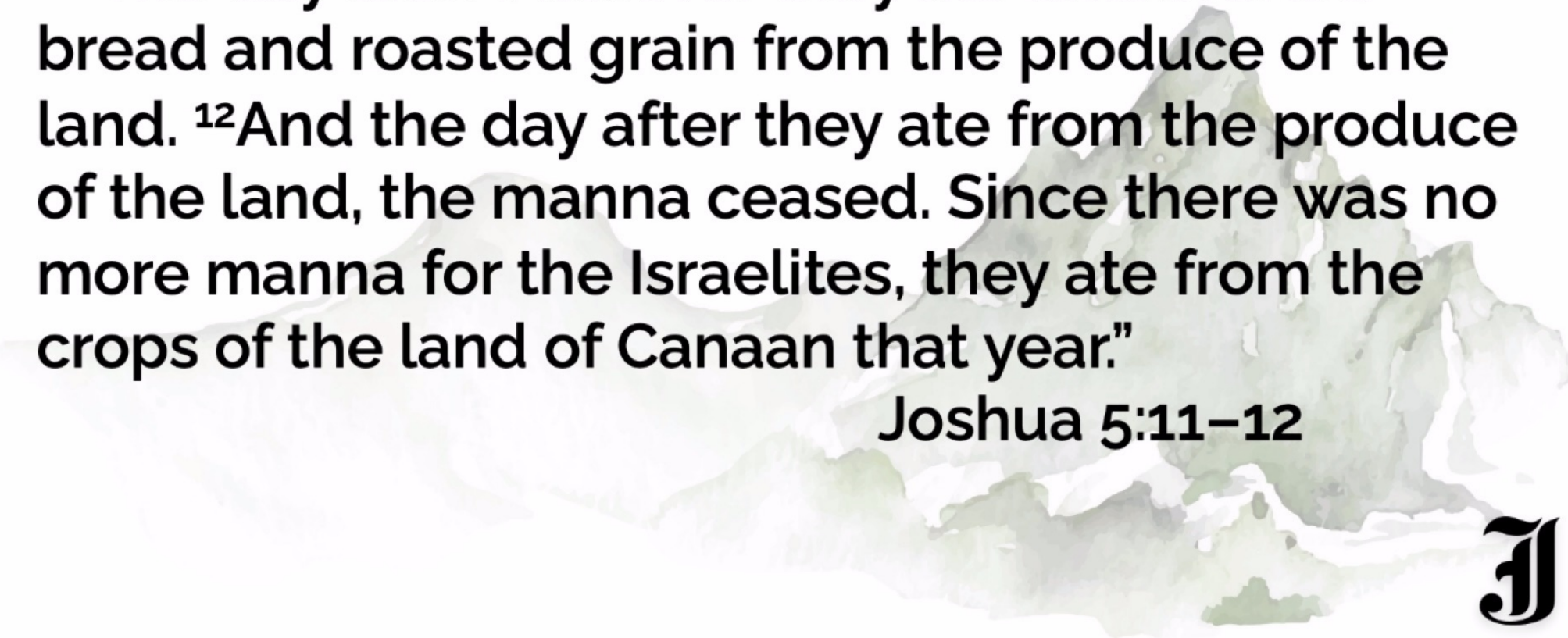
“For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be rendered powerless so that we may no longer be enslaved to sin,” Romans 6:6



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Joshua 5:11–12



"Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. This way I will test them to see whether or not they will follow my instructions." Exodus 16:4

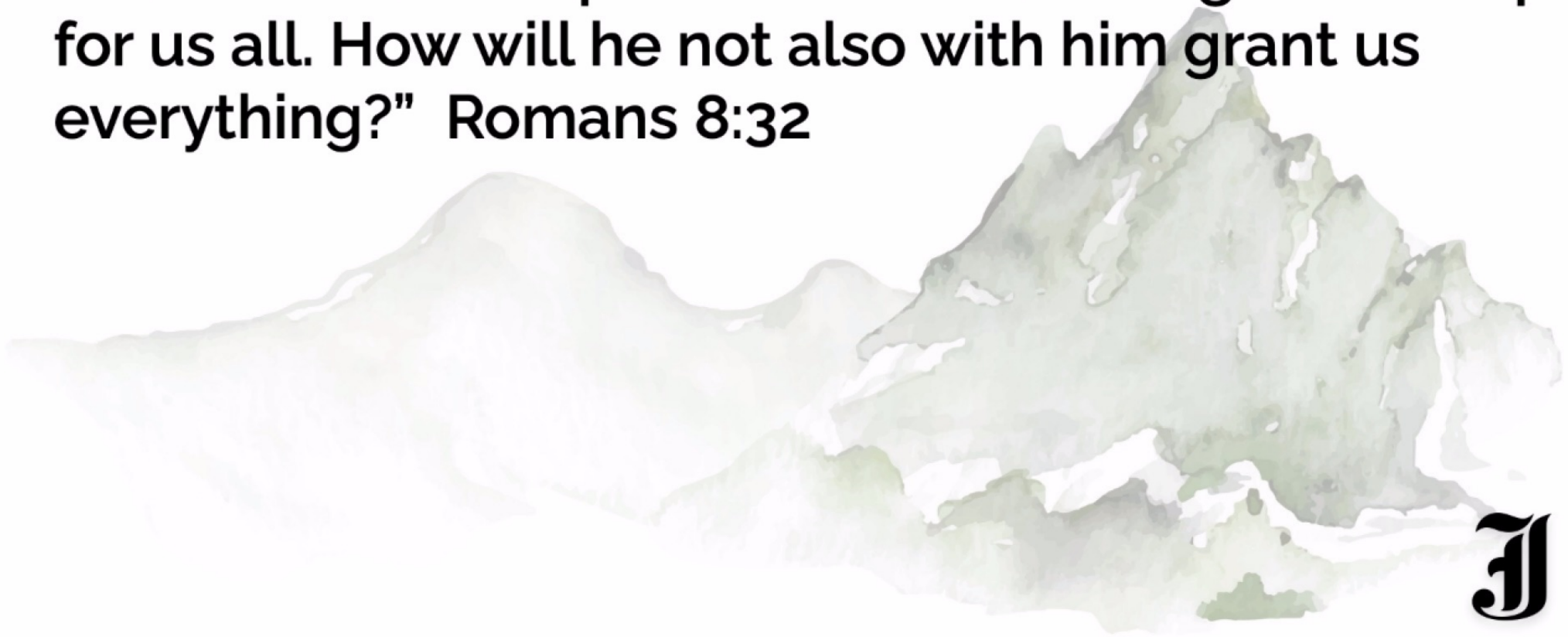
"...he gave you manna to eat...so that you might learn that man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD." Deuteronomy 8:3



“I gave you a land you did not labor for, and cities you did not build, though you live in them; you are eating from vineyards and olive groves you did not plant.” Joshua 24:13



“He did not even spare his own Son but gave him up for us all. How will he not also with him grant us everything?” Romans 8:32



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