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WELCOME TO
GRACE

We are so glad you are here!



The Beautiful One

Steele Croswhite // CCLI #4873015

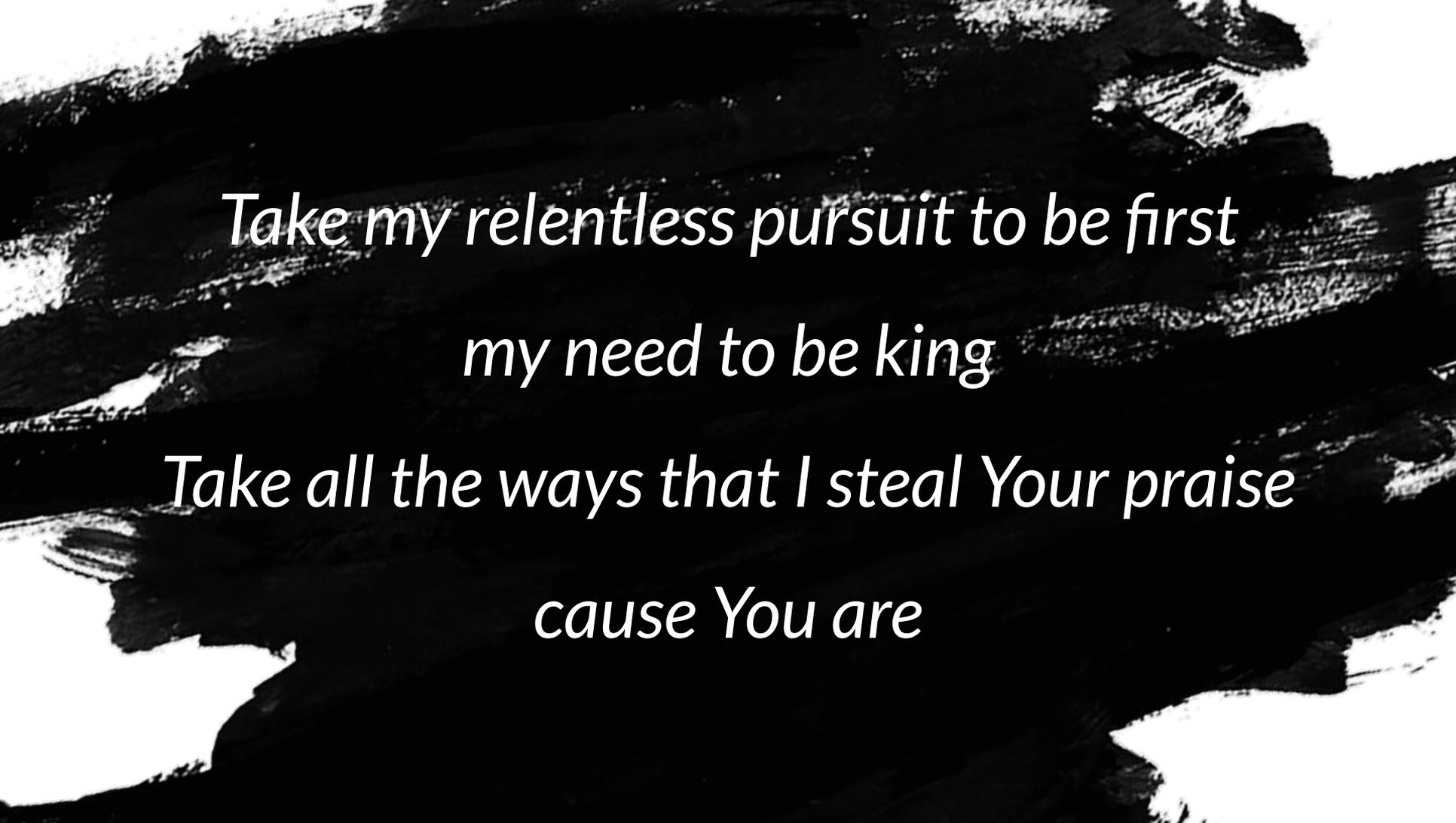


Take my selfish ways in me

such prideful eyes

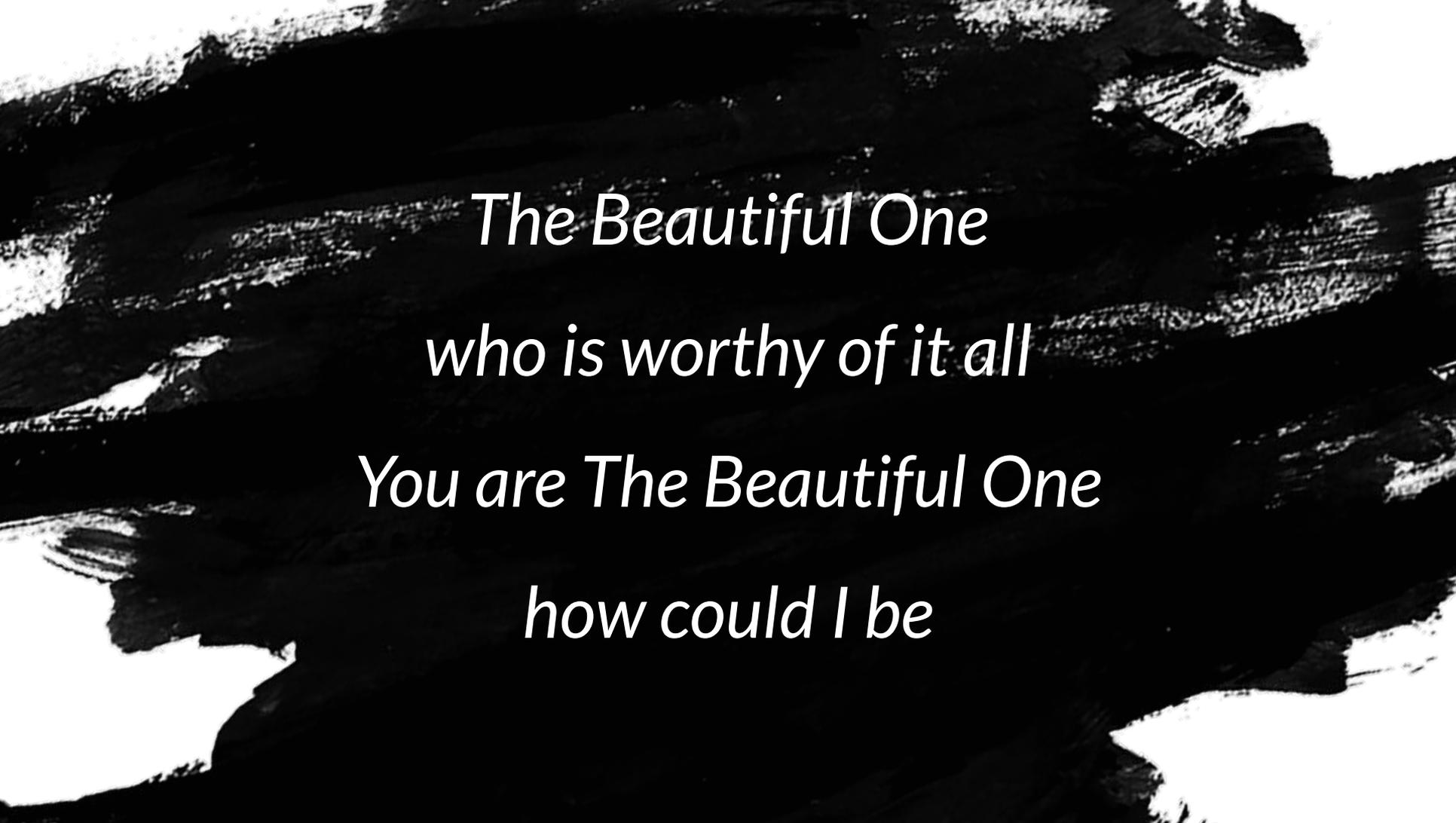
My hunger for glory

my need for fame

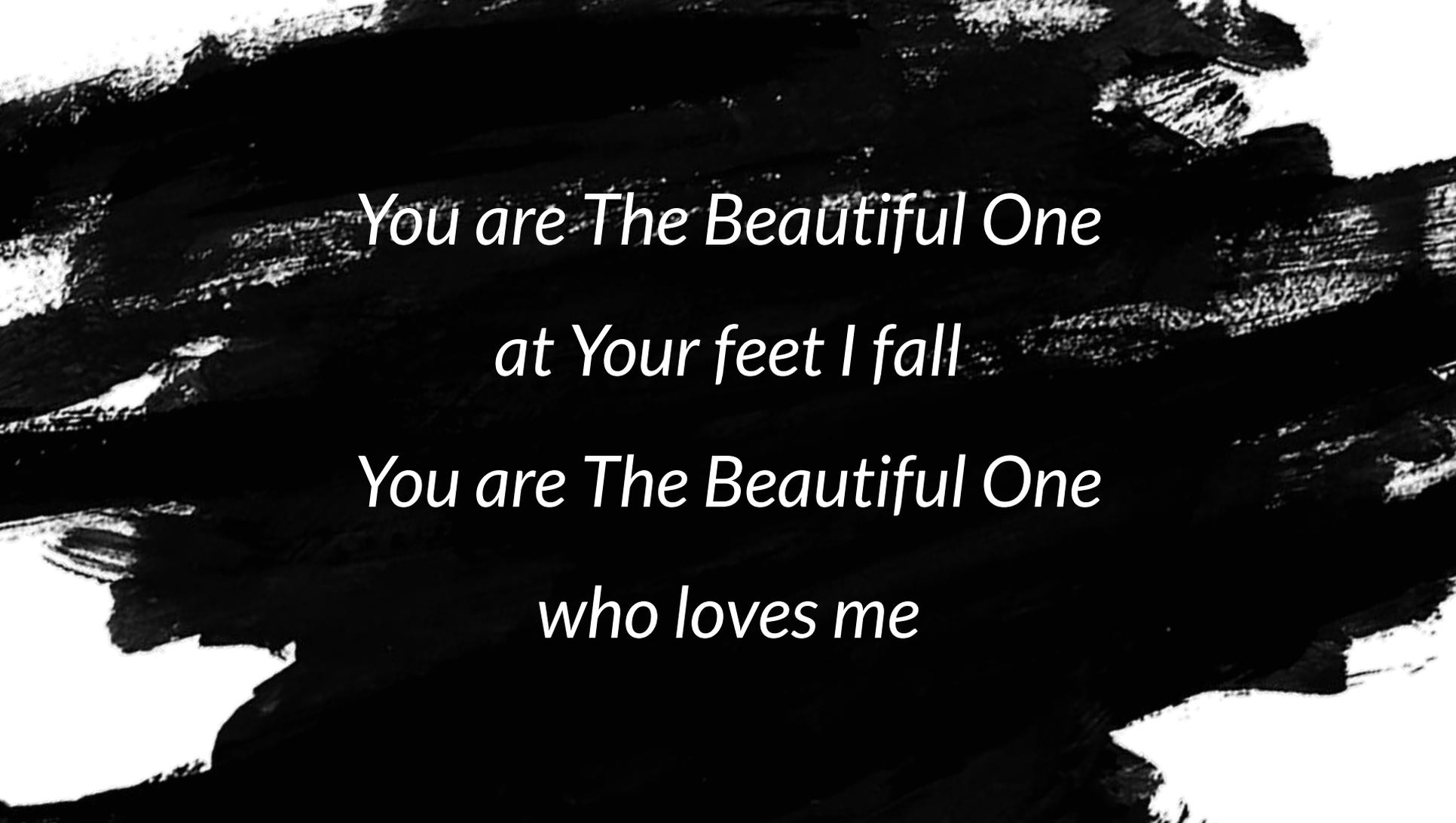


*Take my relentless pursuit to be first
my need to be king*

*Take all the ways that I steal Your praise
cause You are*

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The Beautiful One
who is worthy of it all
You are The Beautiful One
how could I be



You are The Beautiful One

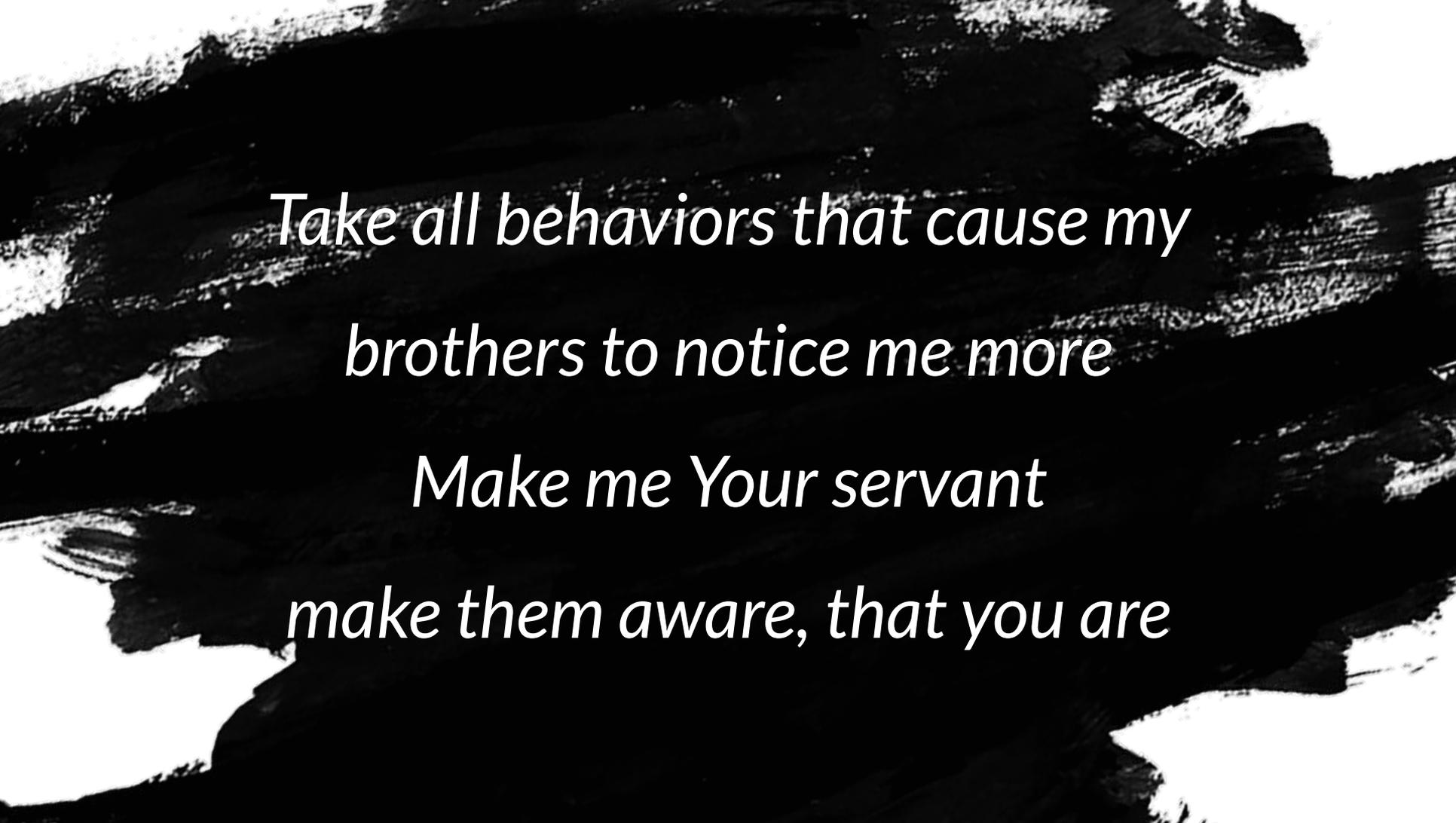
at Your feet I fall

You are The Beautiful One

who loves me



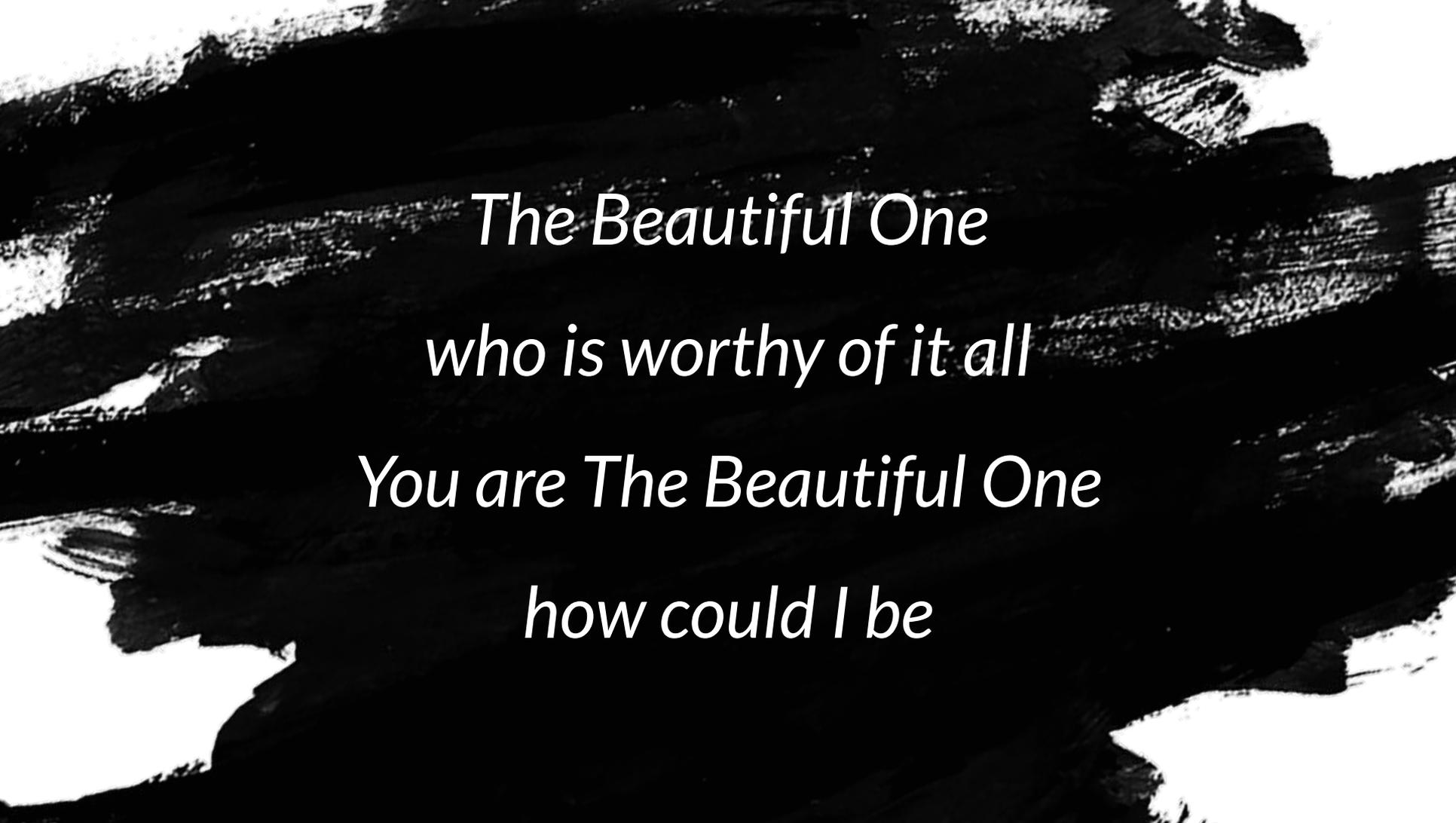
*Take my cravings of flesh and lust
and pleasures of pride
Make me Your servant
make me aware*



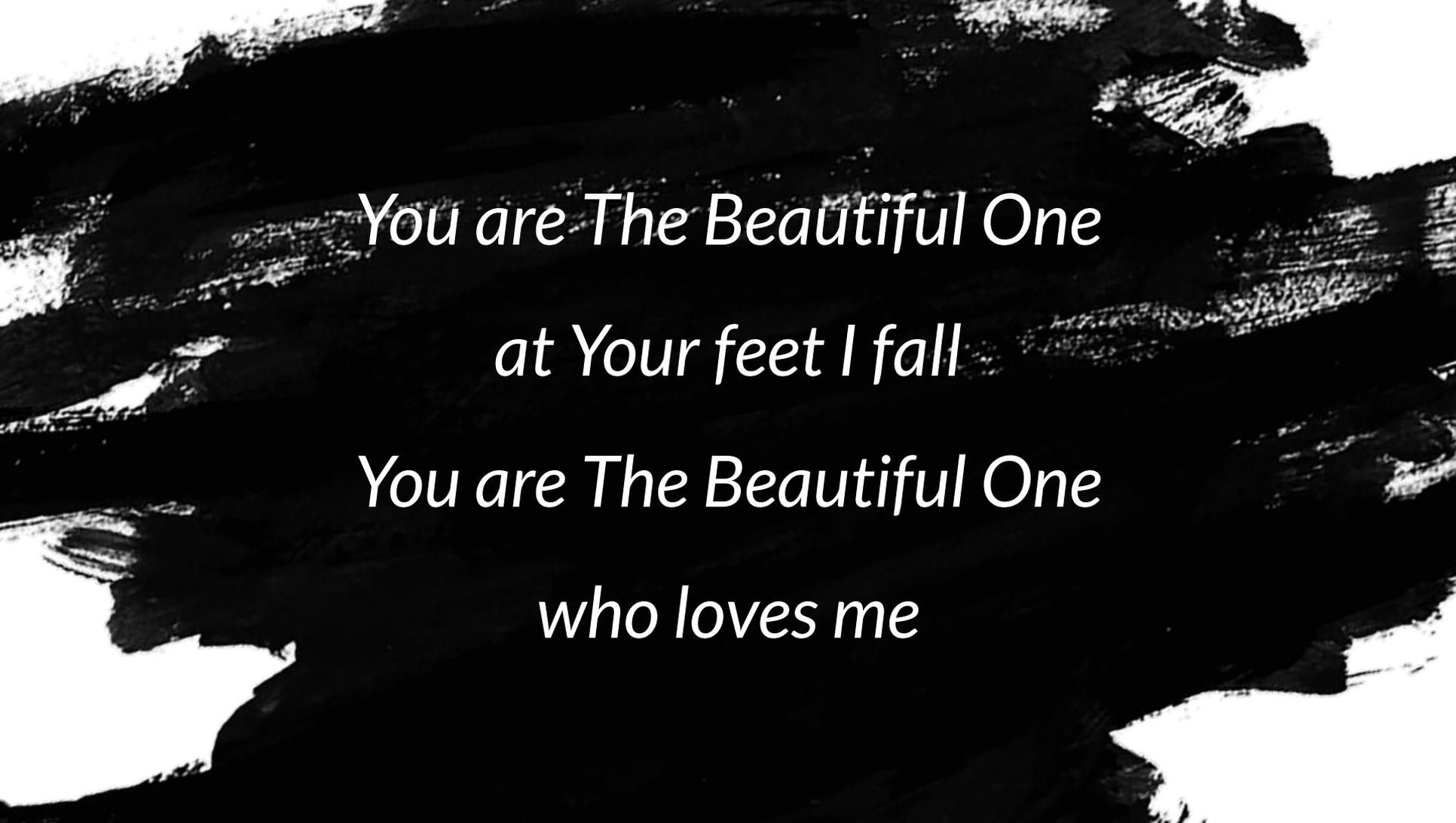
*Take all behaviors that cause my
brothers to notice me more*

Make me Your servant

make them aware, that you are



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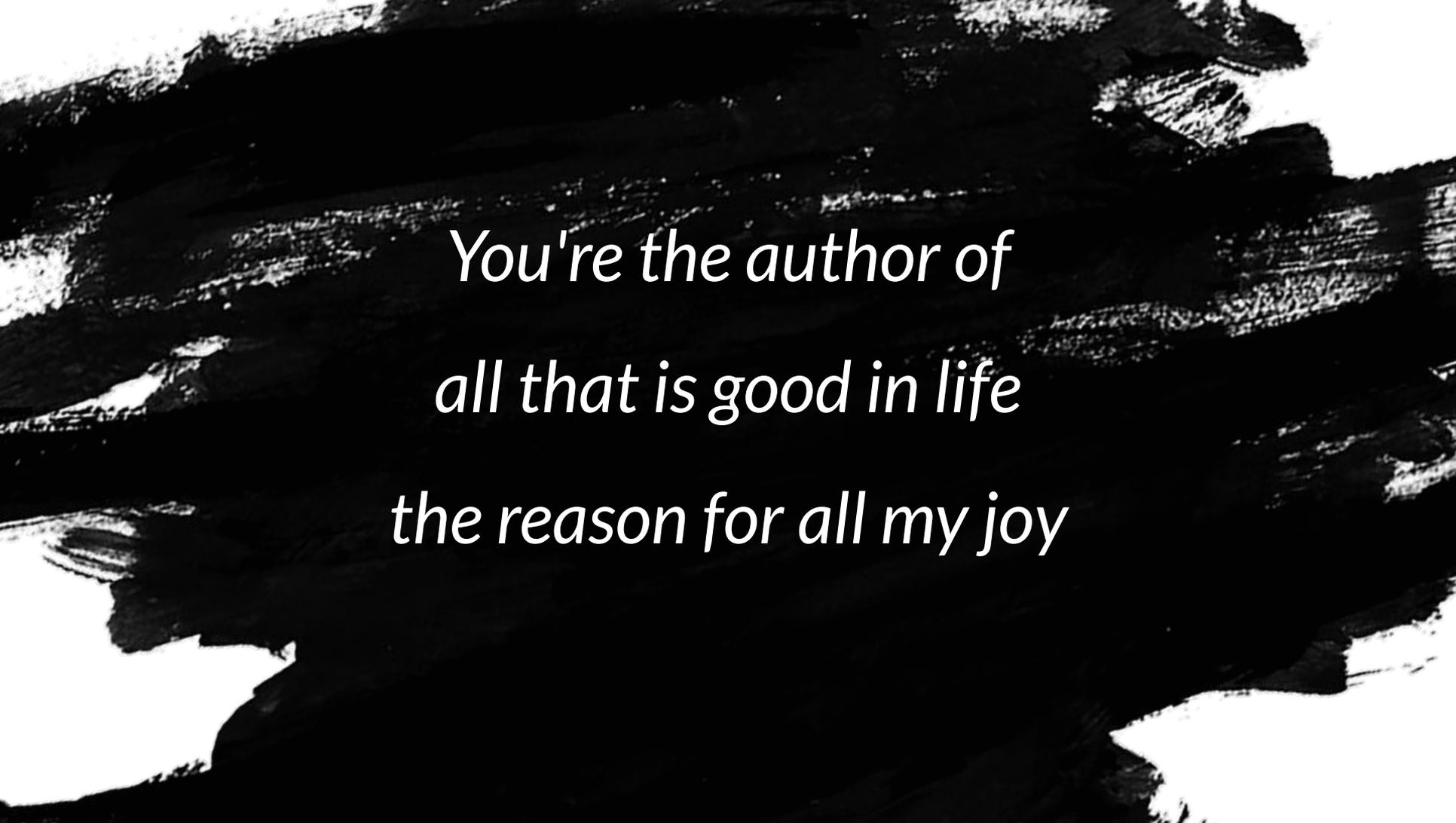


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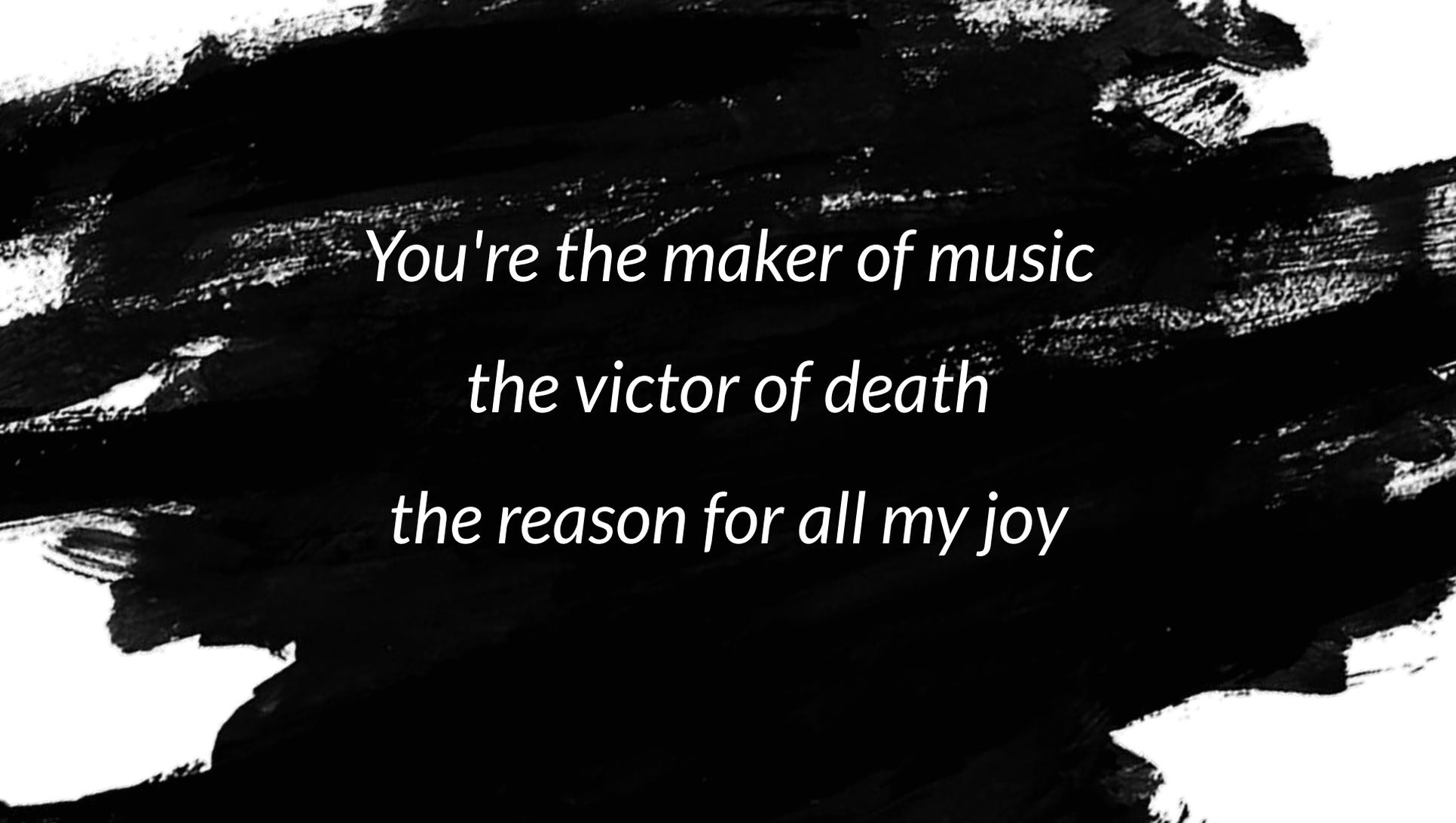
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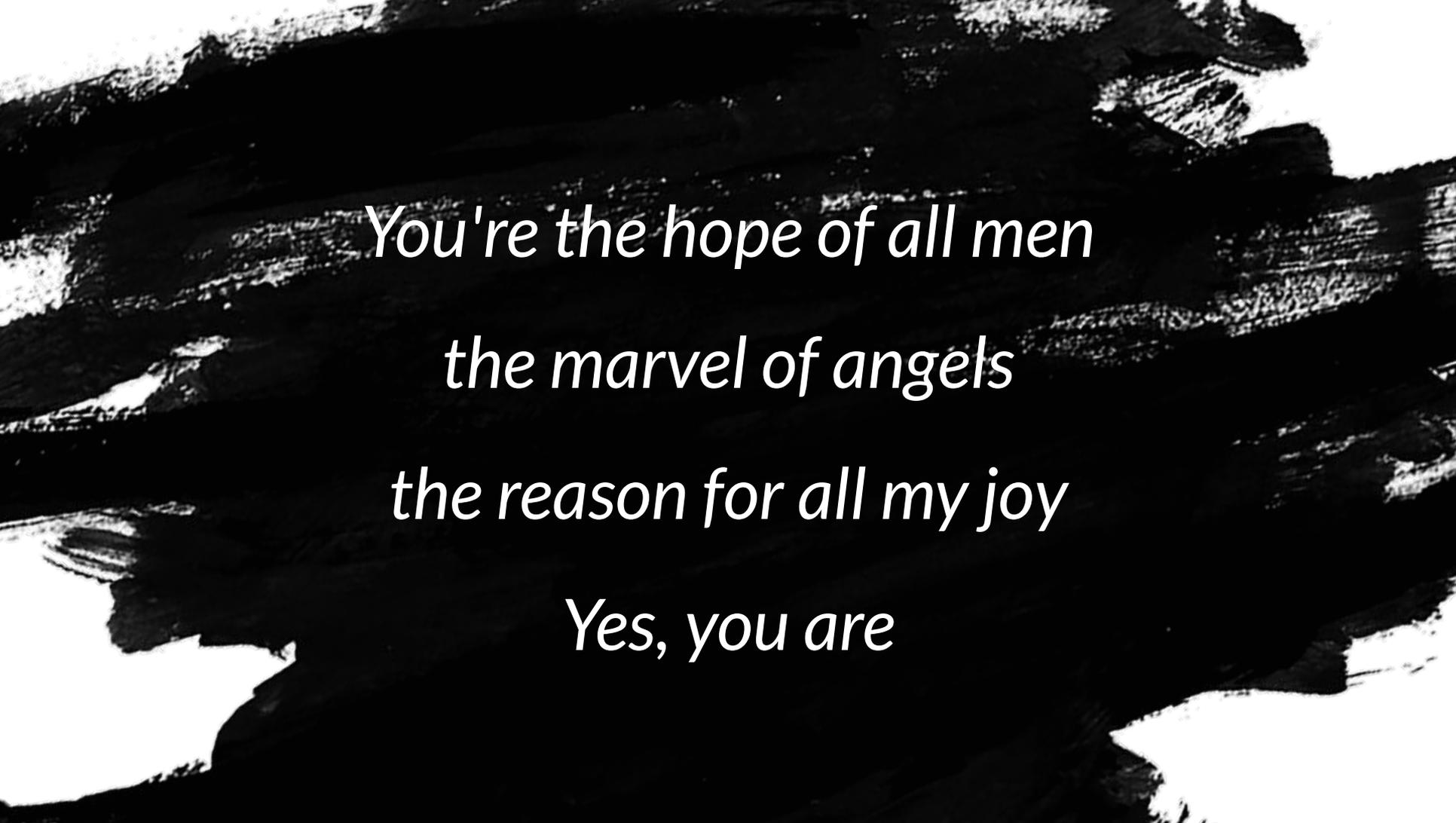
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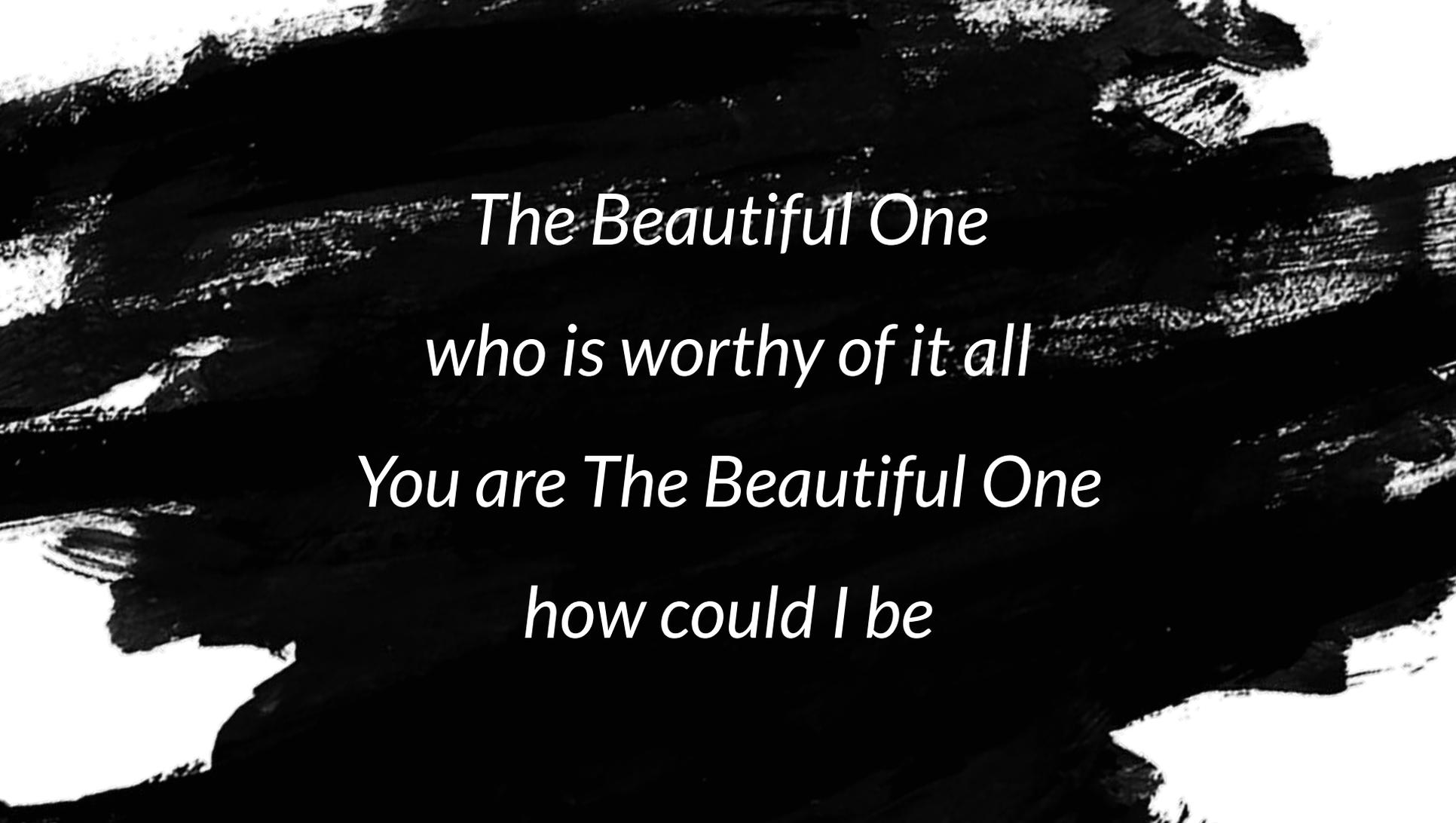
*You're the author of
all that is good in life
the reason for all my joy*



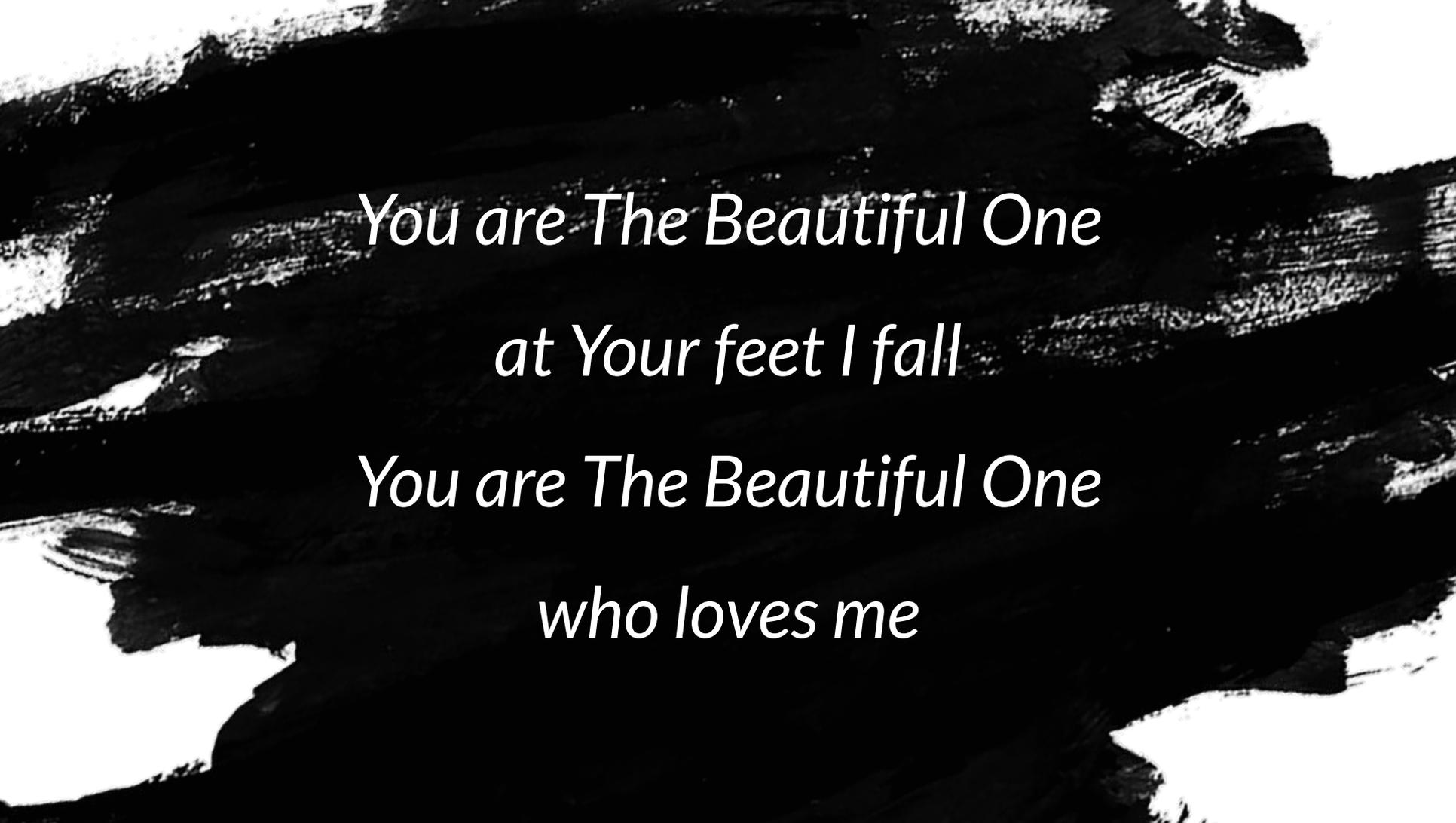
*You're the maker of music
the victor of death
the reason for all my joy*

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*You're the hope of all men
the marvel of angels
the reason for all my joy
Yes, you are*



*The Beautiful One
who is worthy of it all
You are The Beautiful One
how could I be*



You are The Beautiful One

at Your feet I fall

You are The Beautiful One

who loves me

Connect & Pray

Take a moment to greet your neighbors!

Then, visit the website below to learn more about our church or send in prayer requests to the pastors.

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*And let us run with endurance the
race God has set before us.*

Hebrews 12:1b NLT



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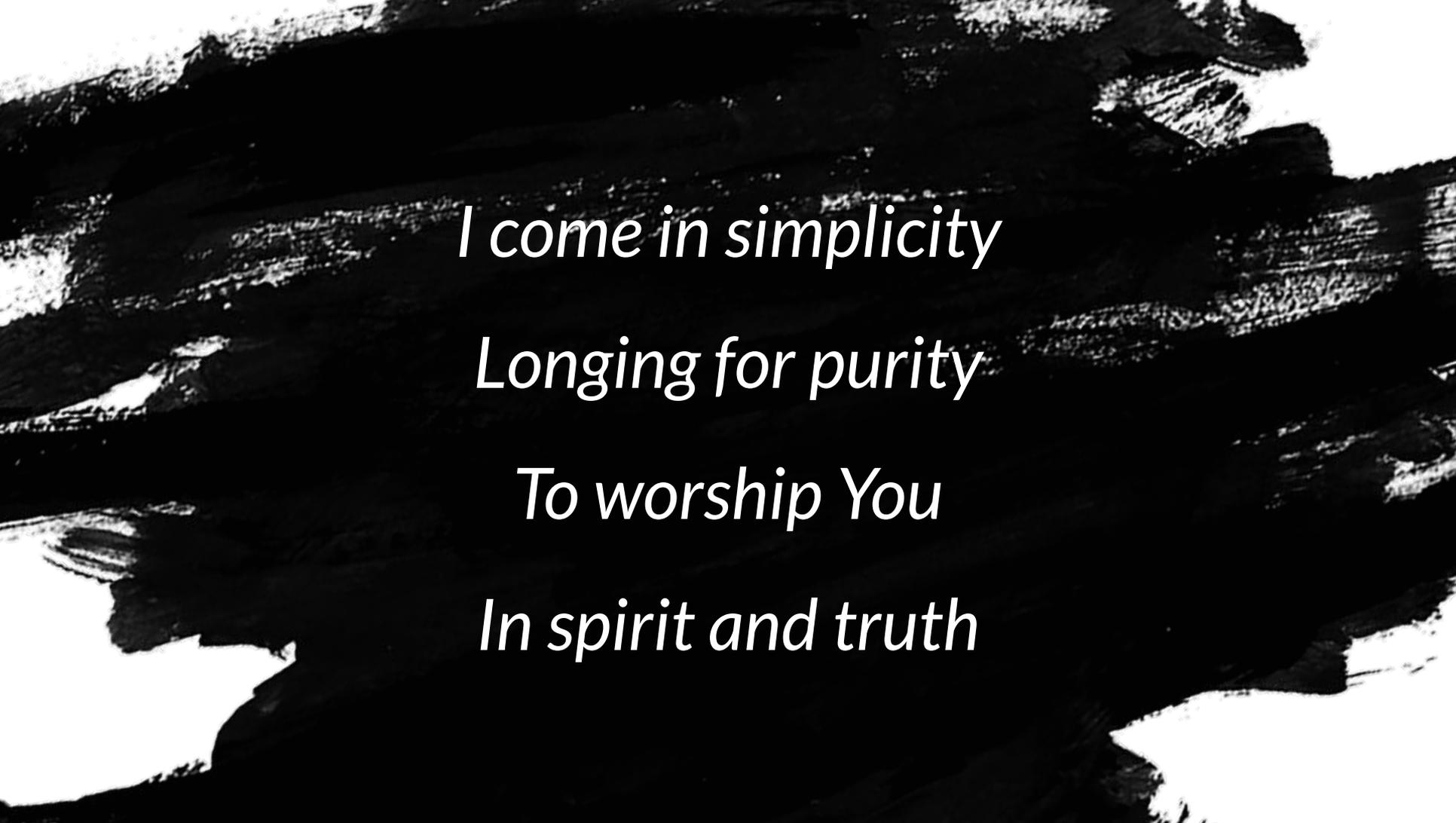
*We do this by keeping our eyes on
Jesus, the champion who initiates and
perfects our faith.*

Hebrews 12:2a NLT



Simplicity

Rend Collective // CCLI #7014654



I come in simplicity

Longing for purity

To worship You

In spirit and truth

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Lord strip it all away

'Til only You remain

I'm coming back

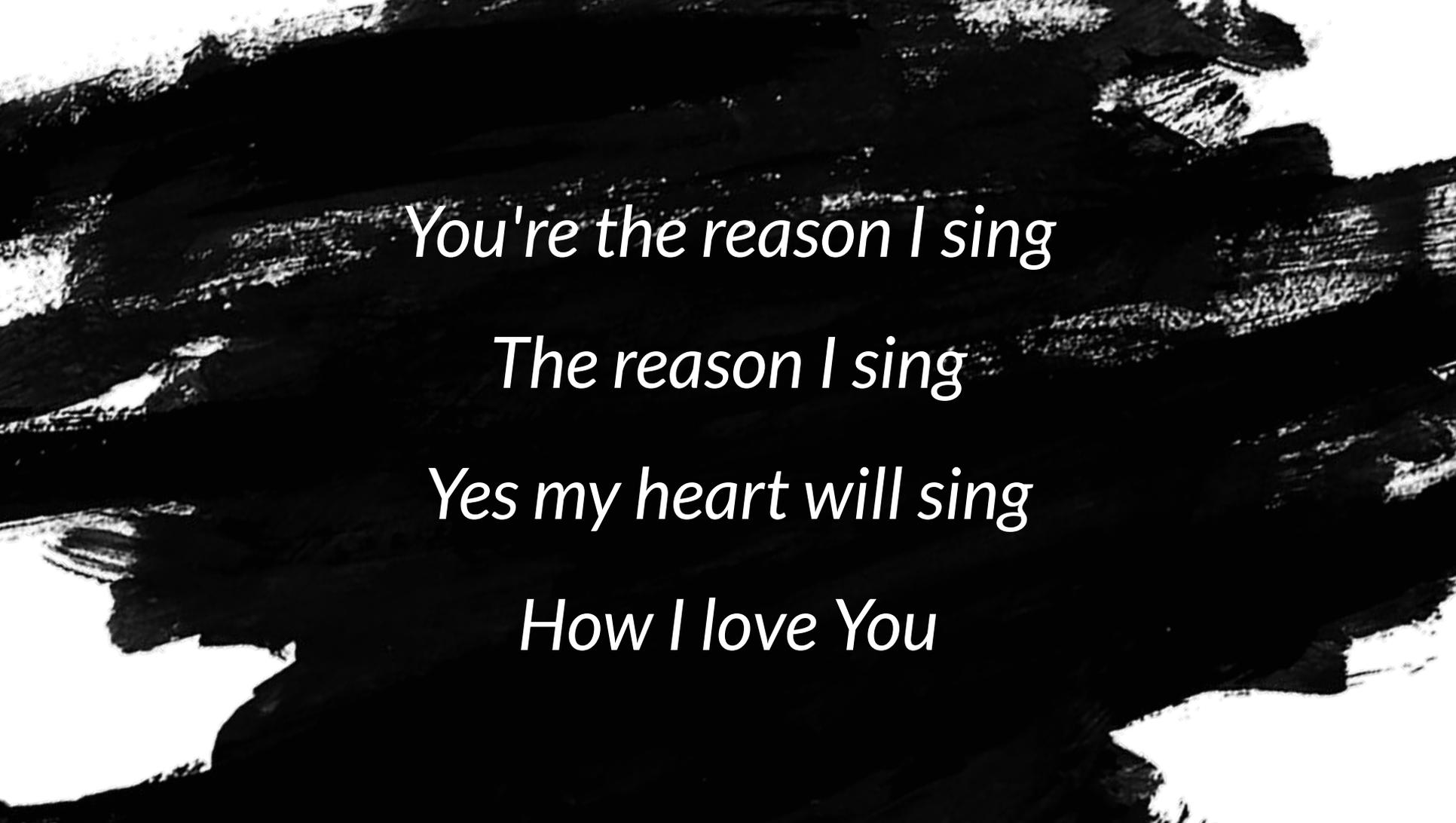
To my first love



Only You



Only You



You're the reason I sing

The reason I sing

Yes my heart will sing

How I love You

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*And forever I'll sing
Forever I'll sing
Yes my heart will sing
How I love You*



I come with my broken song

To You the Perfect One

To worship You

In spirit and truth



Only You

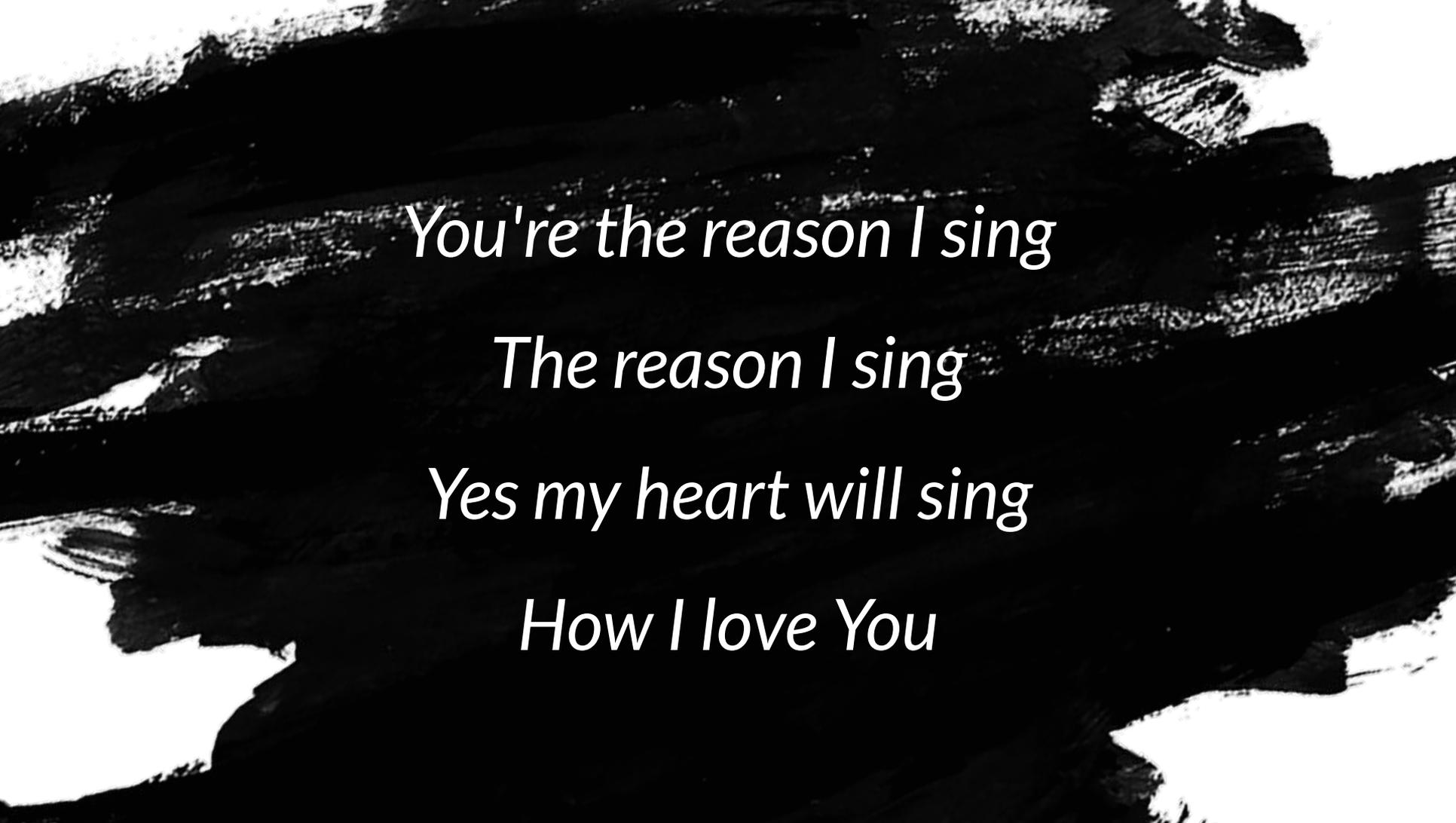
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*Give me a childlike heart
Lead me to where You are
Cause I'm coming back
To my first love*



Only You



You're the reason I sing

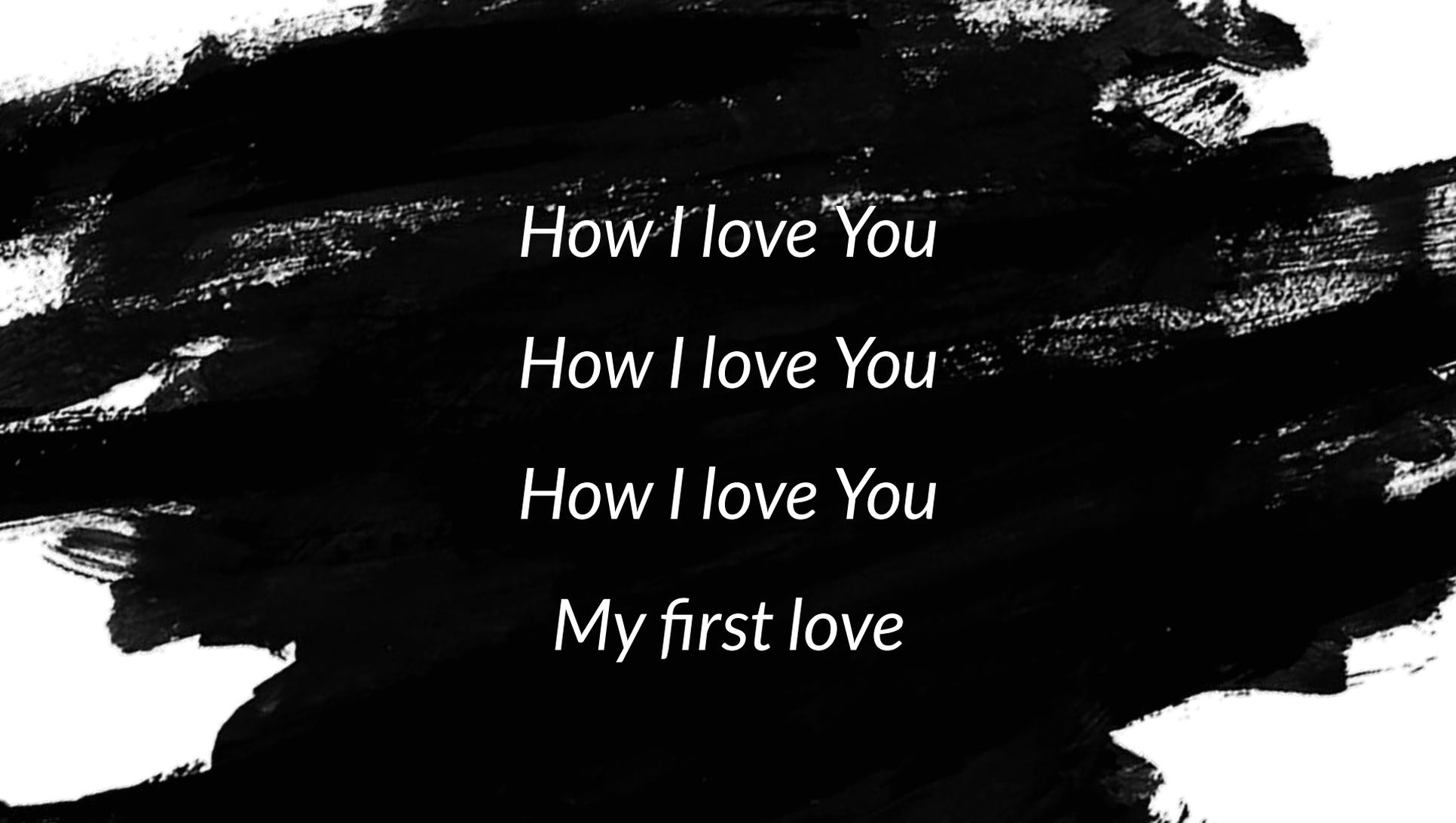
The reason I sing

Yes my heart will sing

How I love You



*And forever I'll sing
Forever I'll sing
Yes my heart will sing
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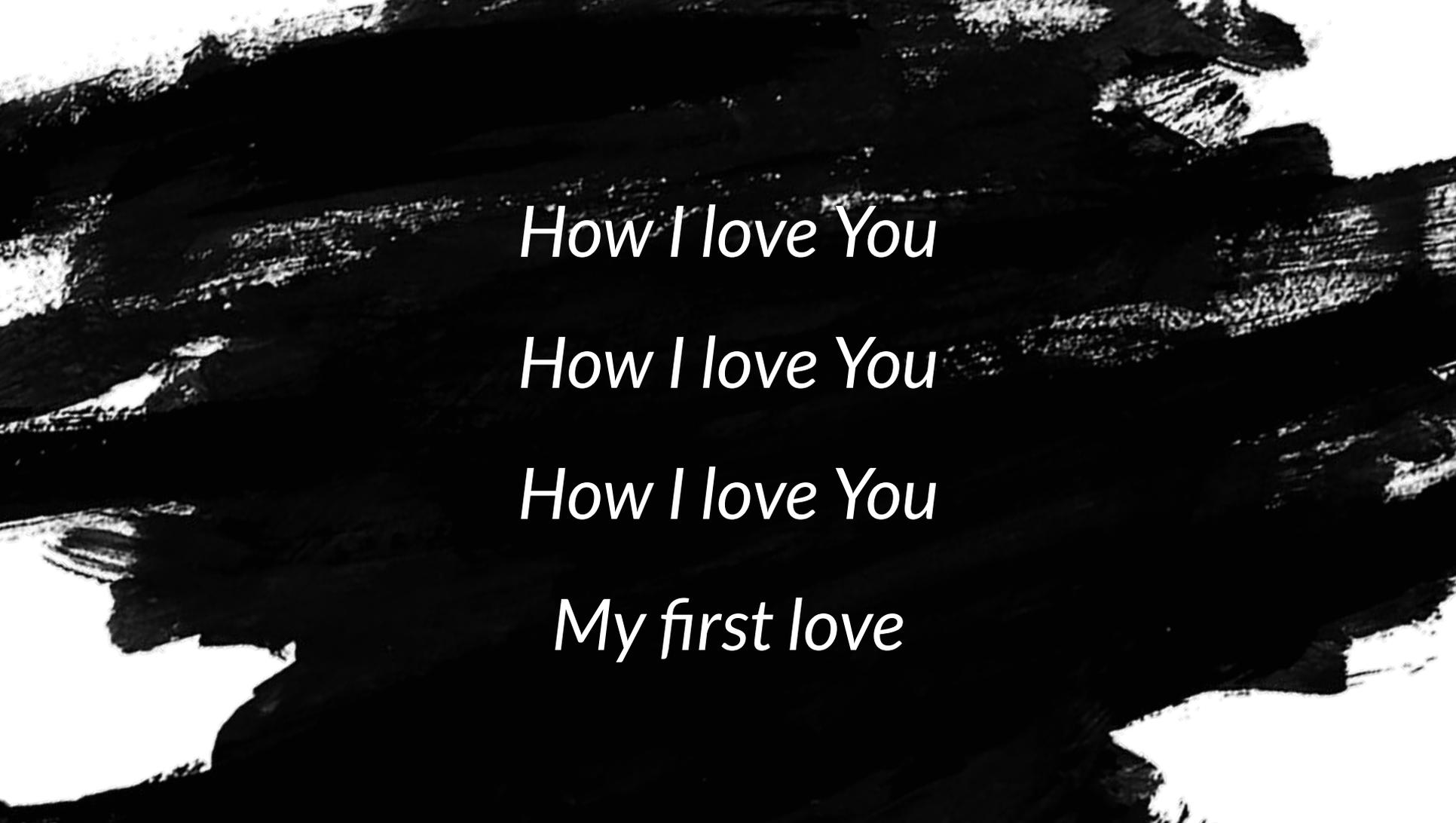


How I love You

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My first love

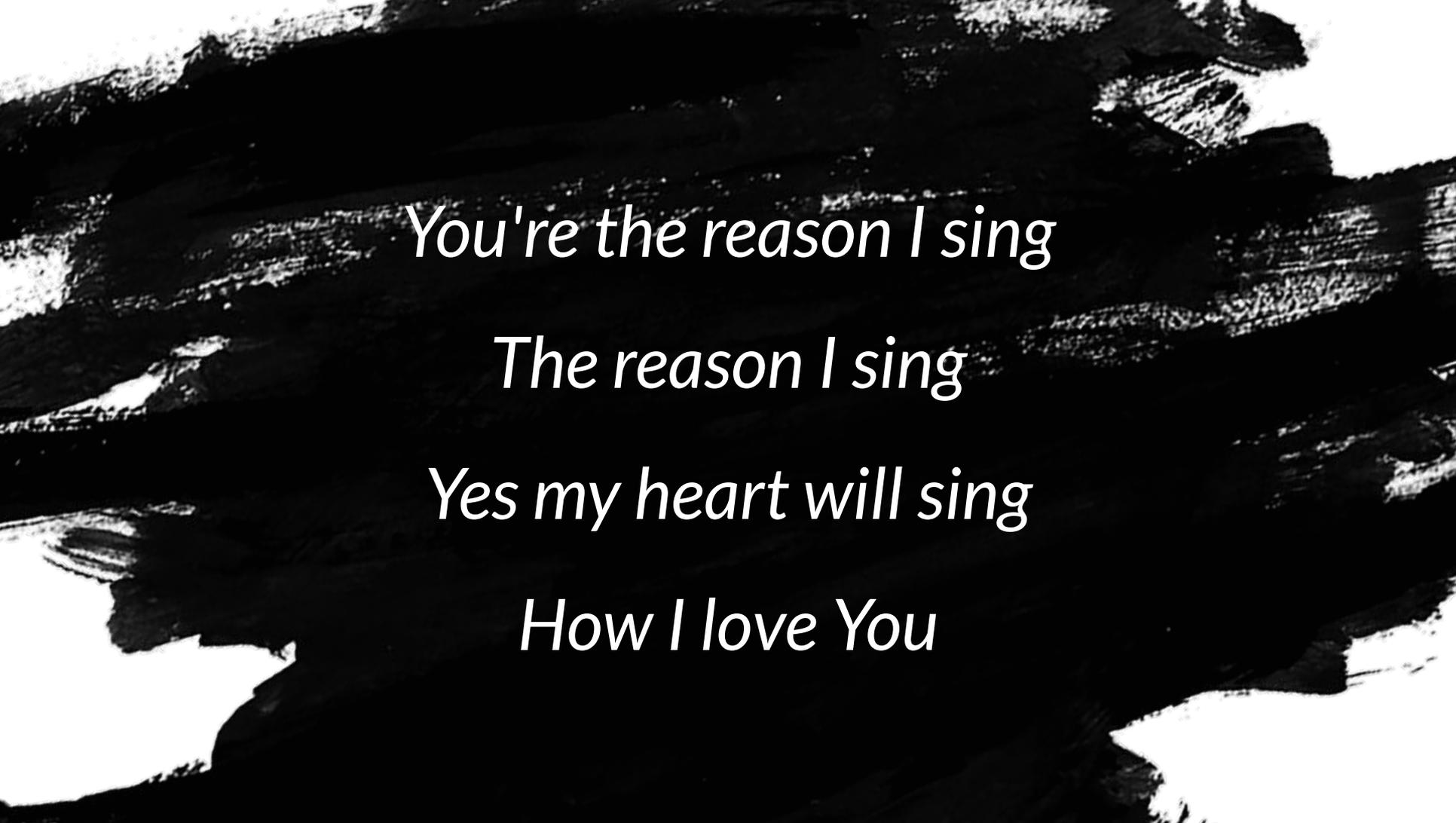


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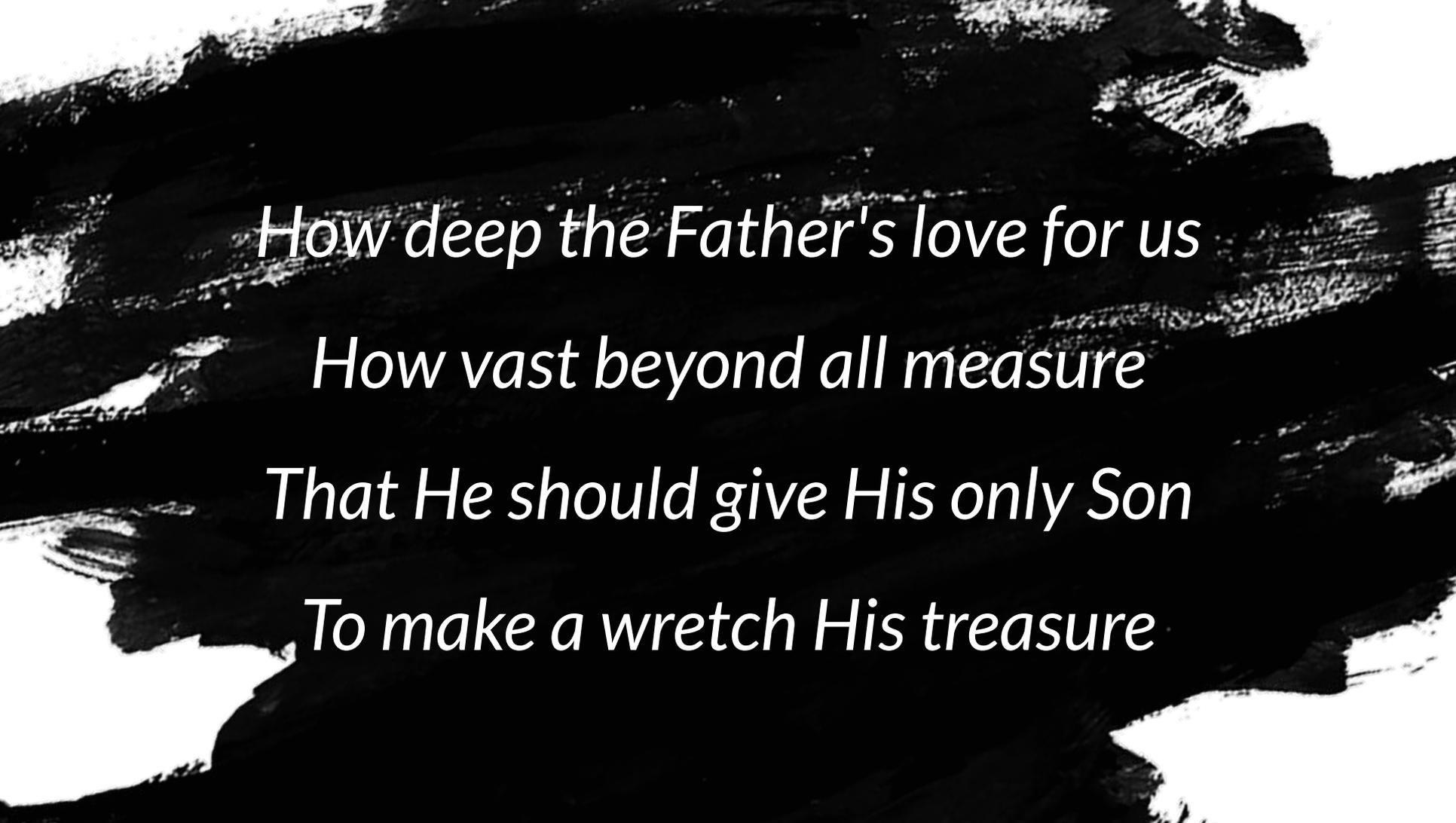


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Forever I'll sing
Yes my heart will sing
How I love You*



How Deep

Hymn // CCLI #1558110

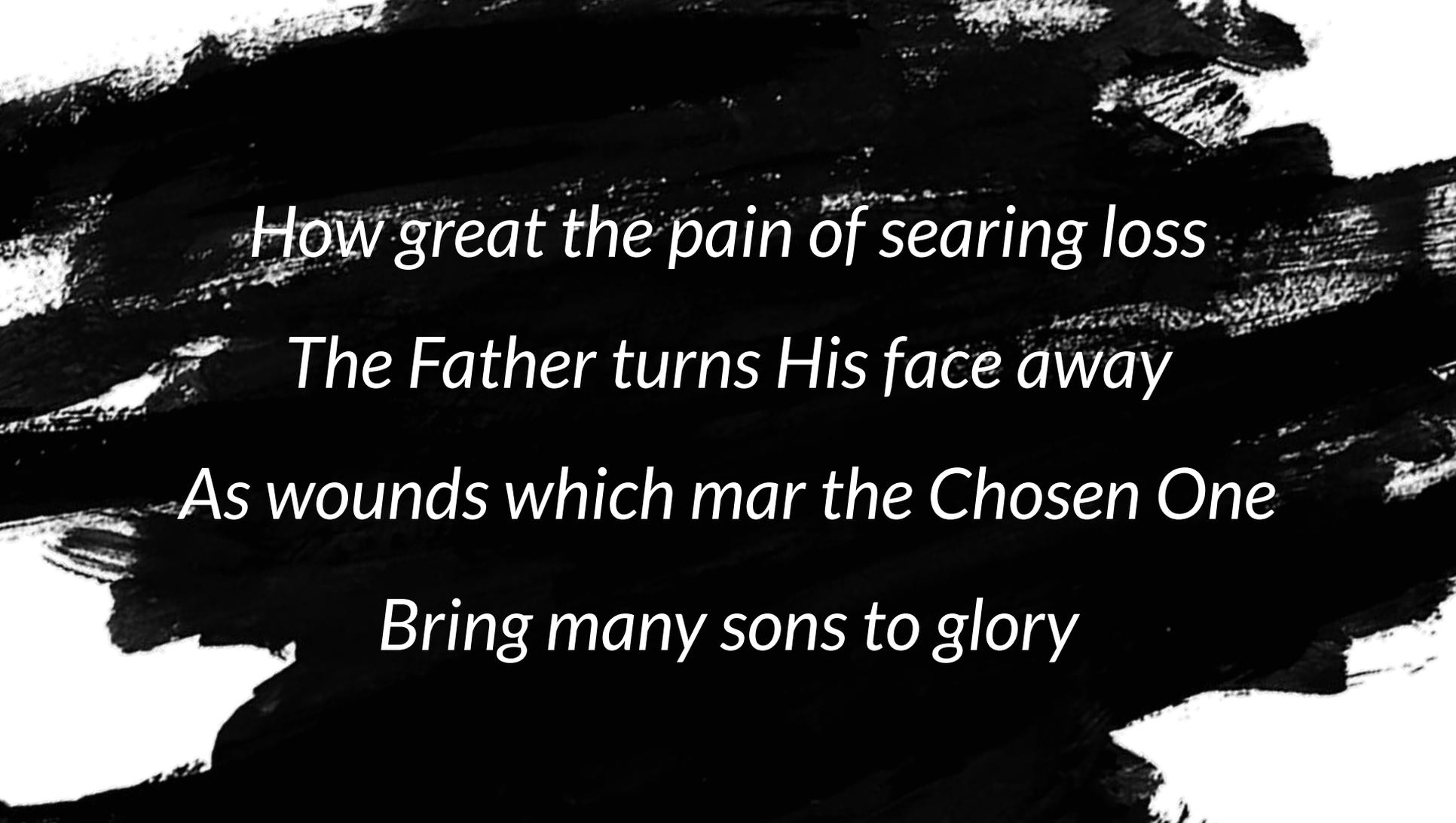
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How deep the Father's love for us

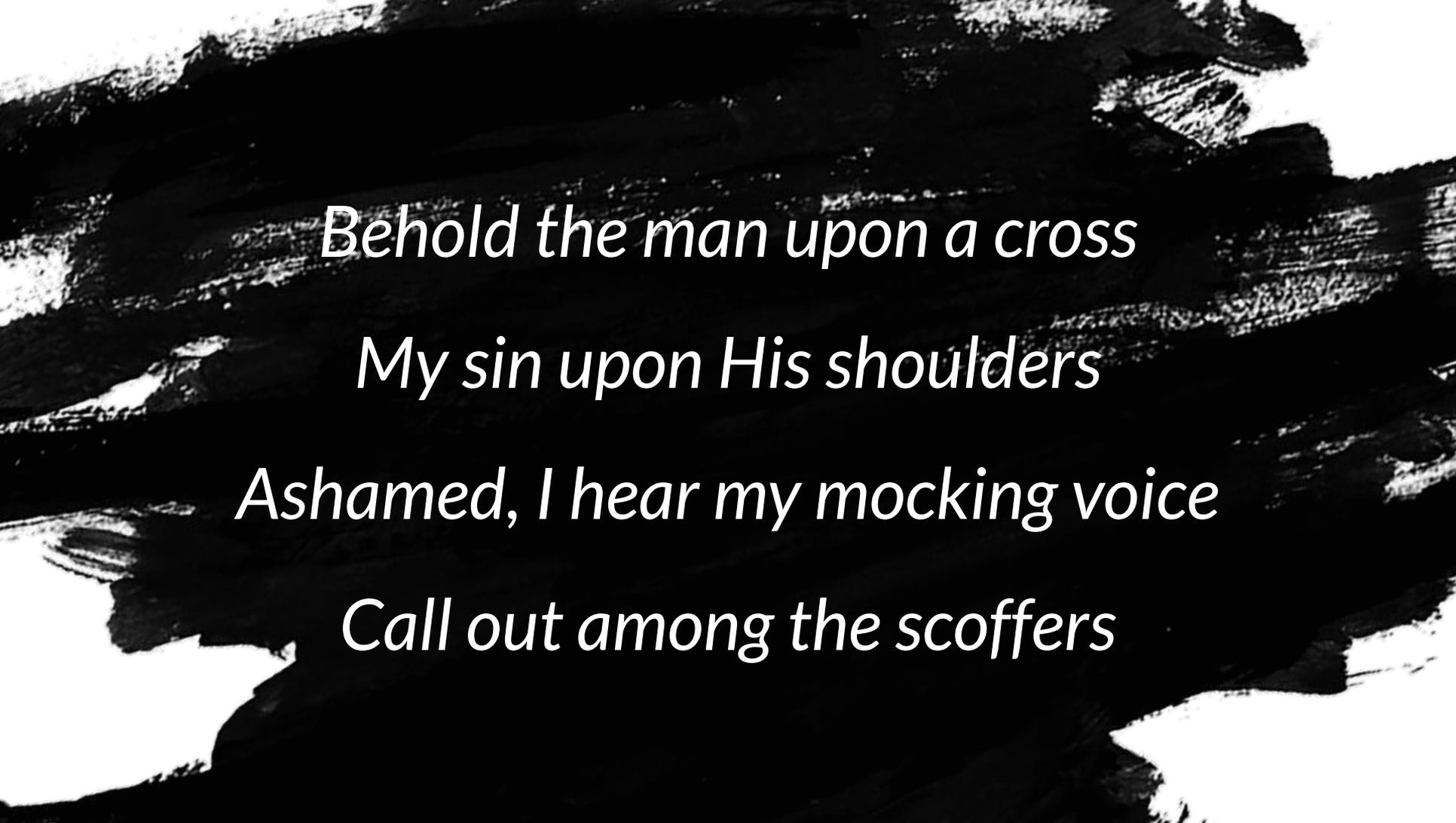
How vast beyond all measure

That He should give His only Son

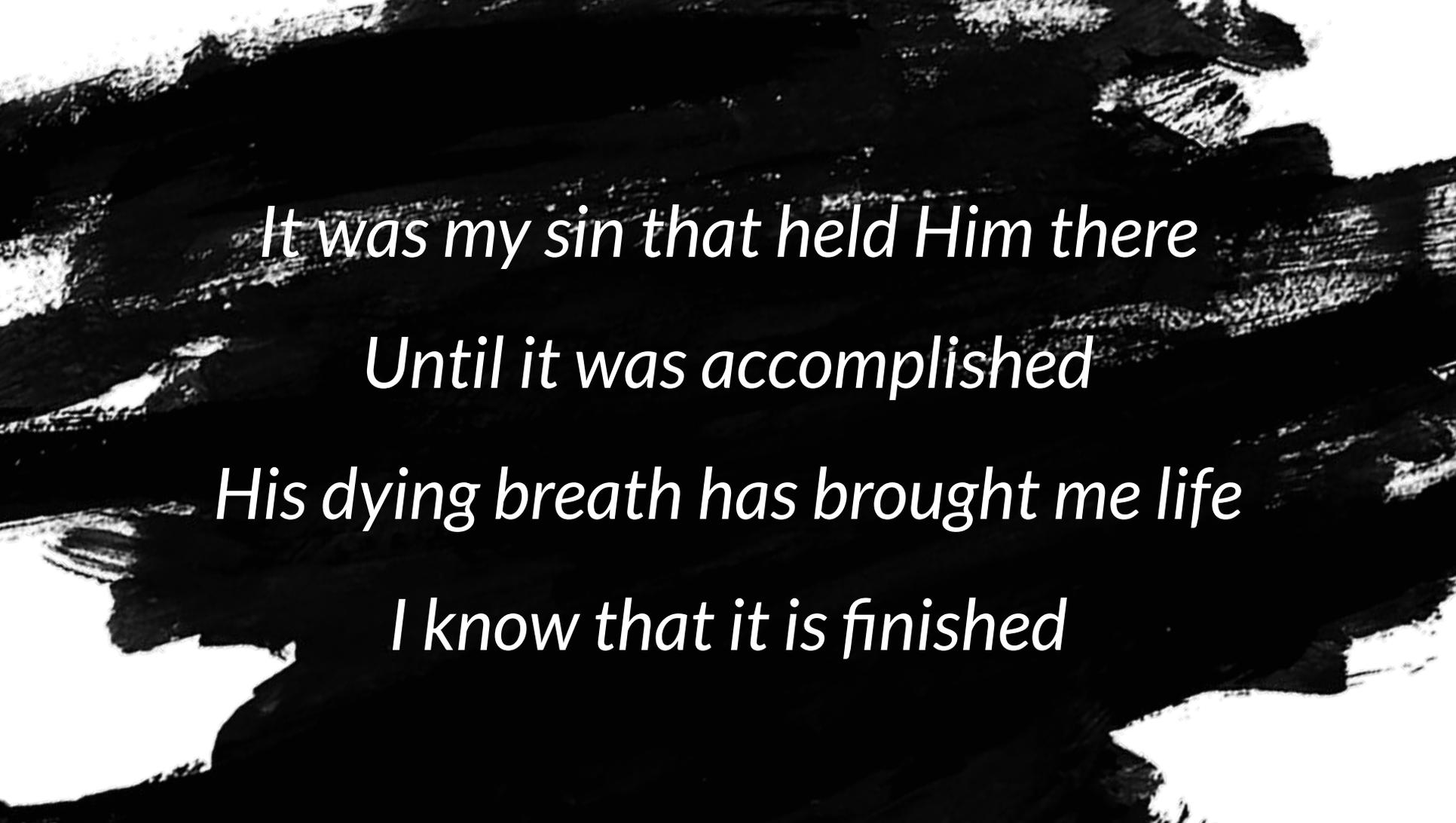
To make a wretch His treasure



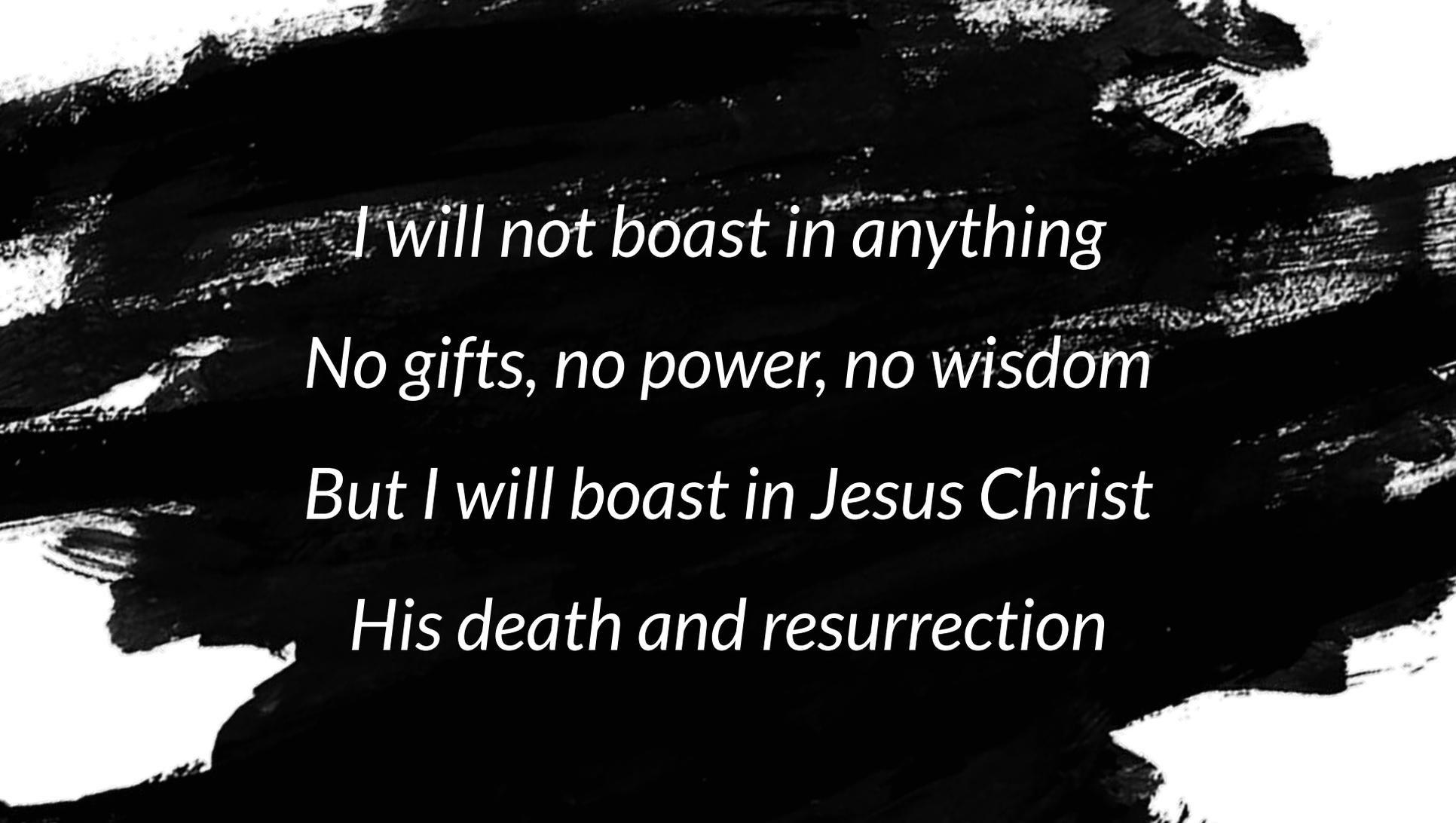
*How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory*



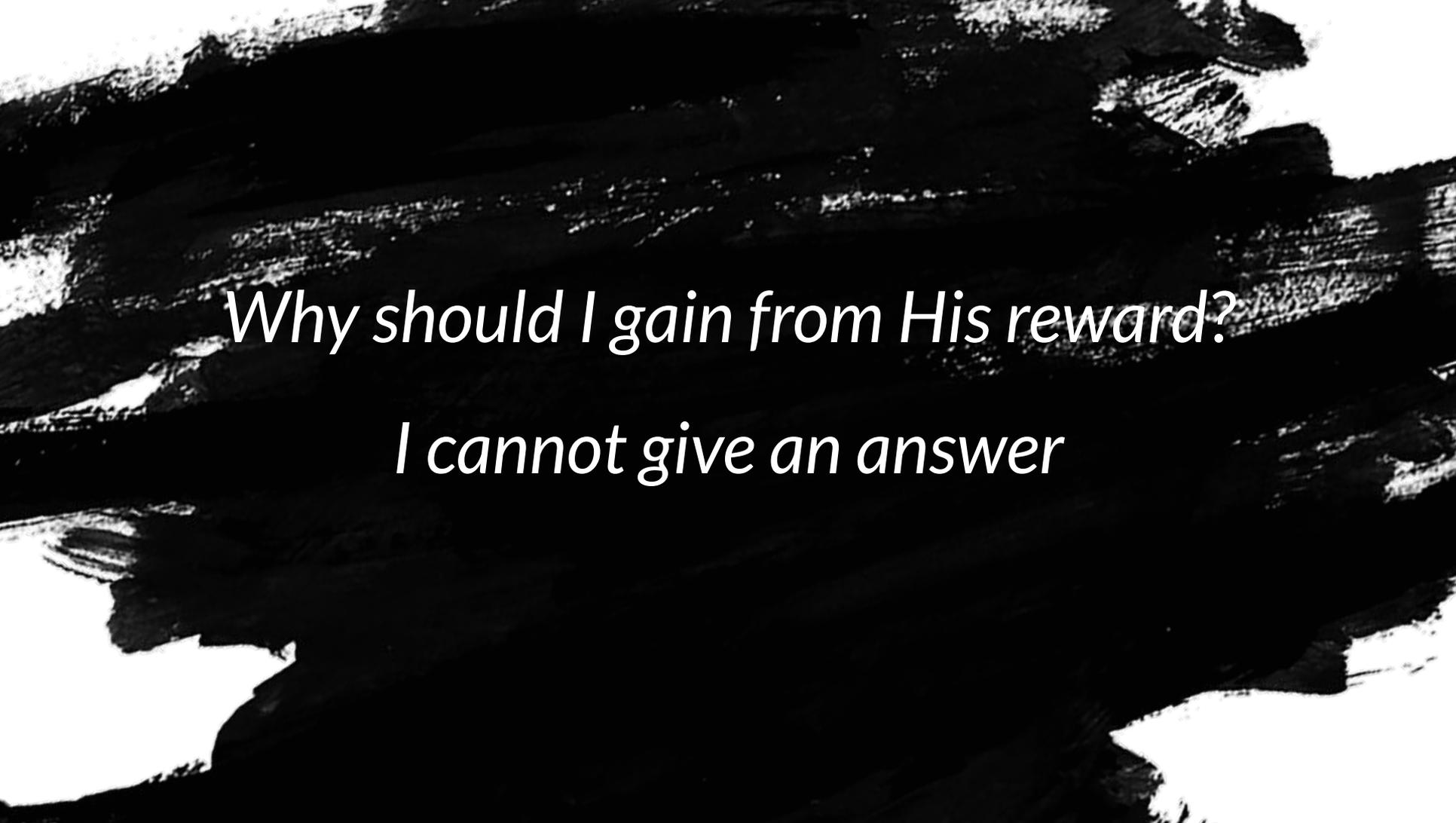
*Behold the man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers*

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*It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished*

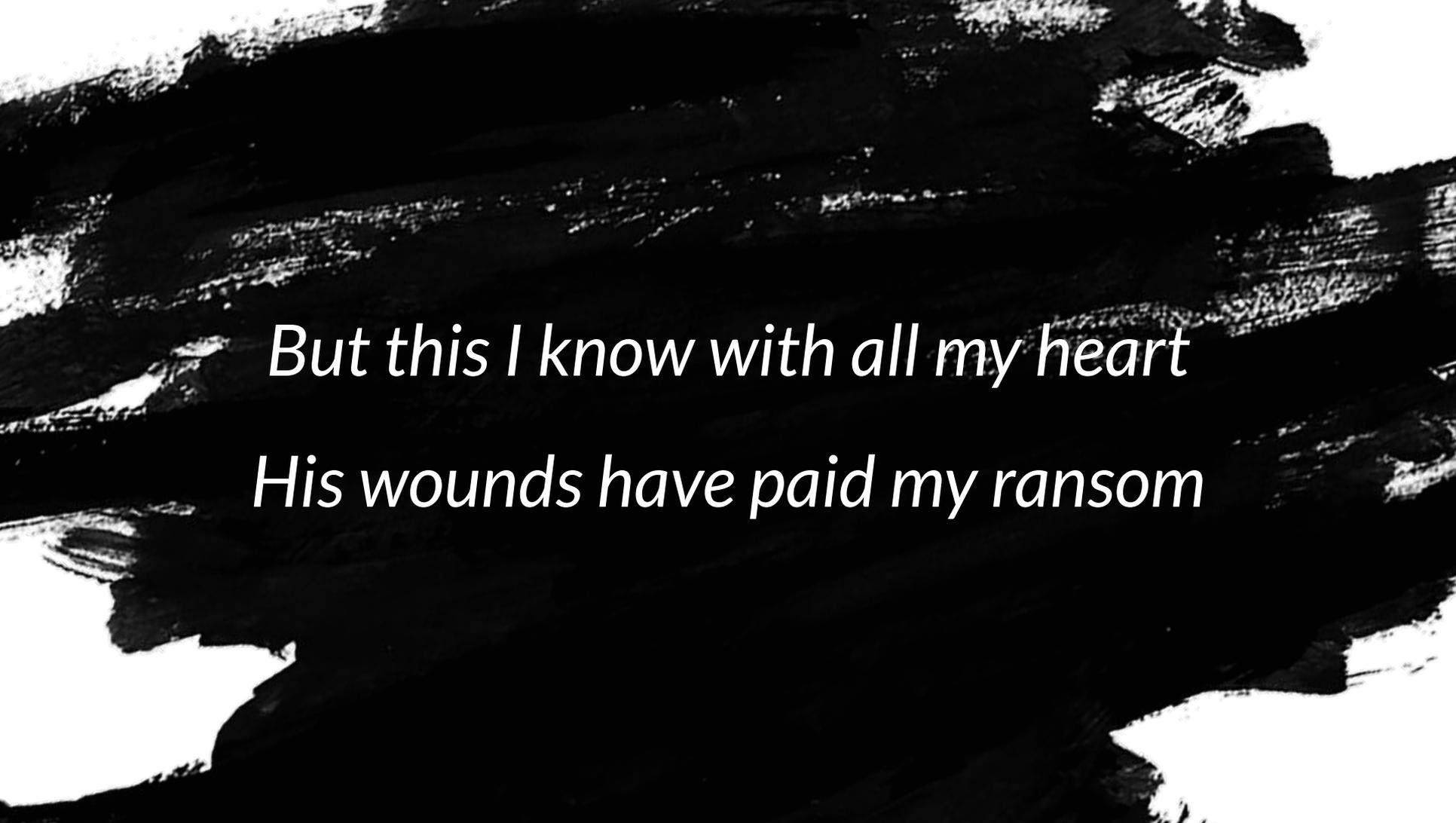


*I will not boast in anything
No gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection*

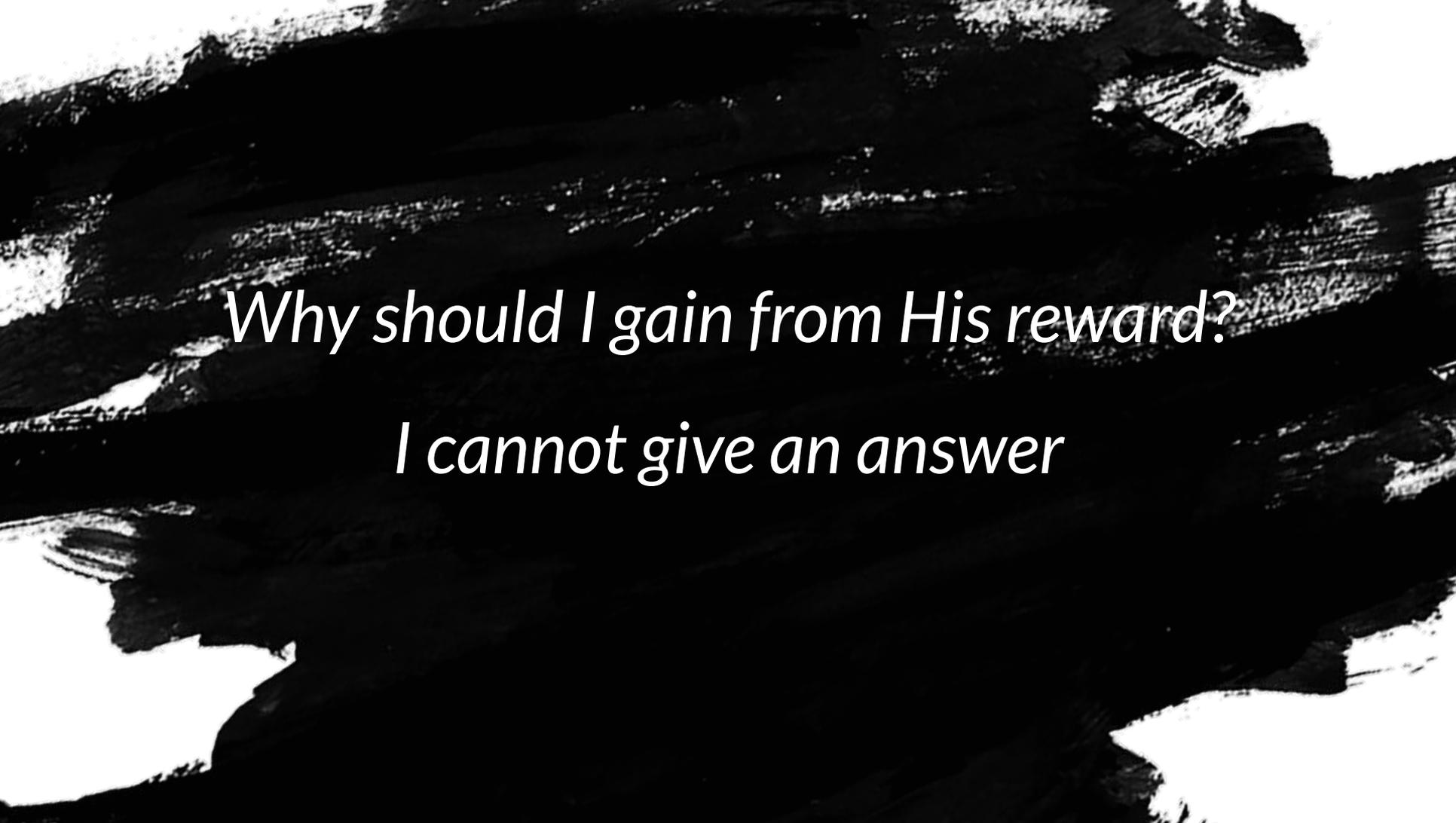


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I cannot give an answer

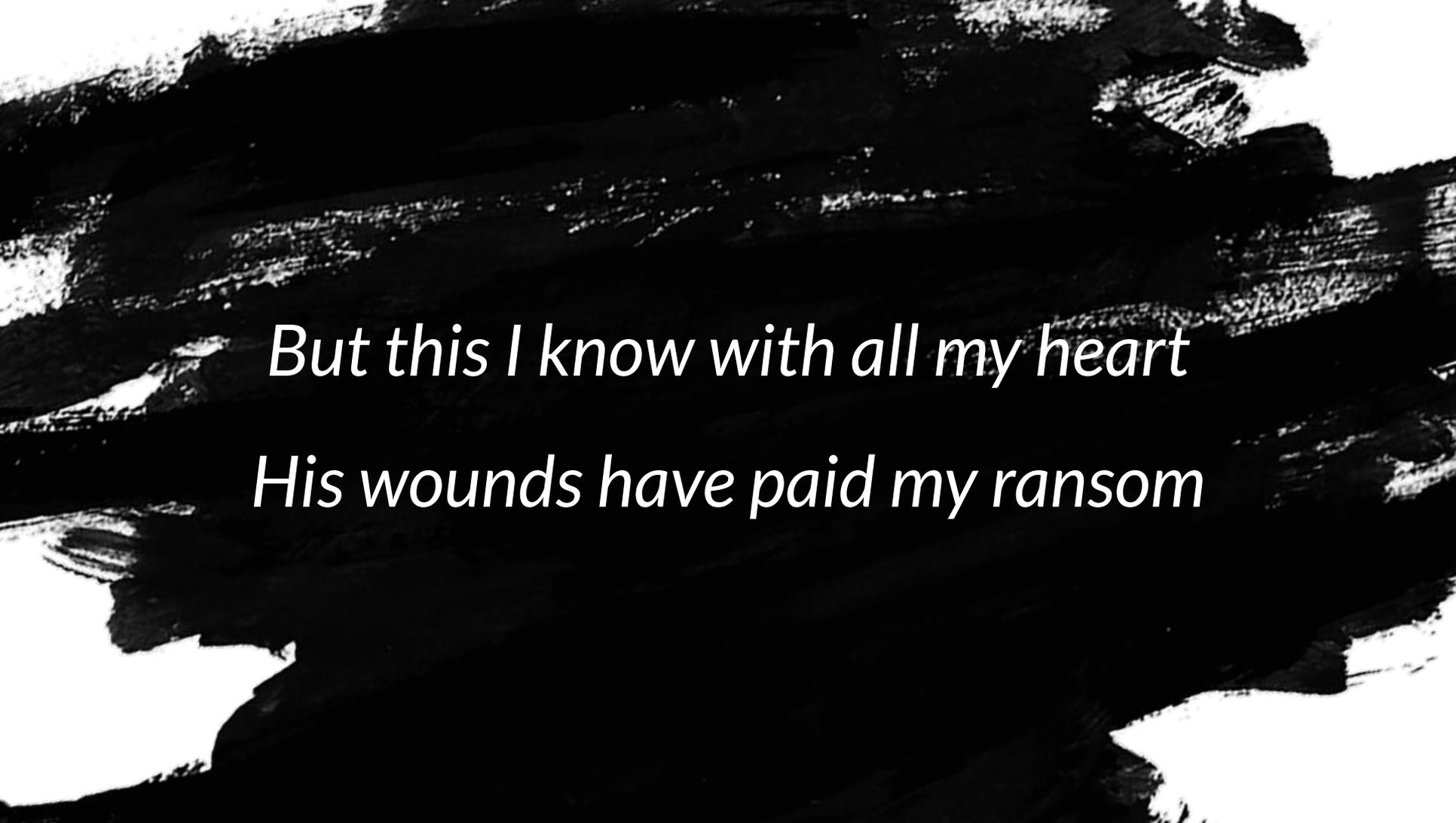


*But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom*



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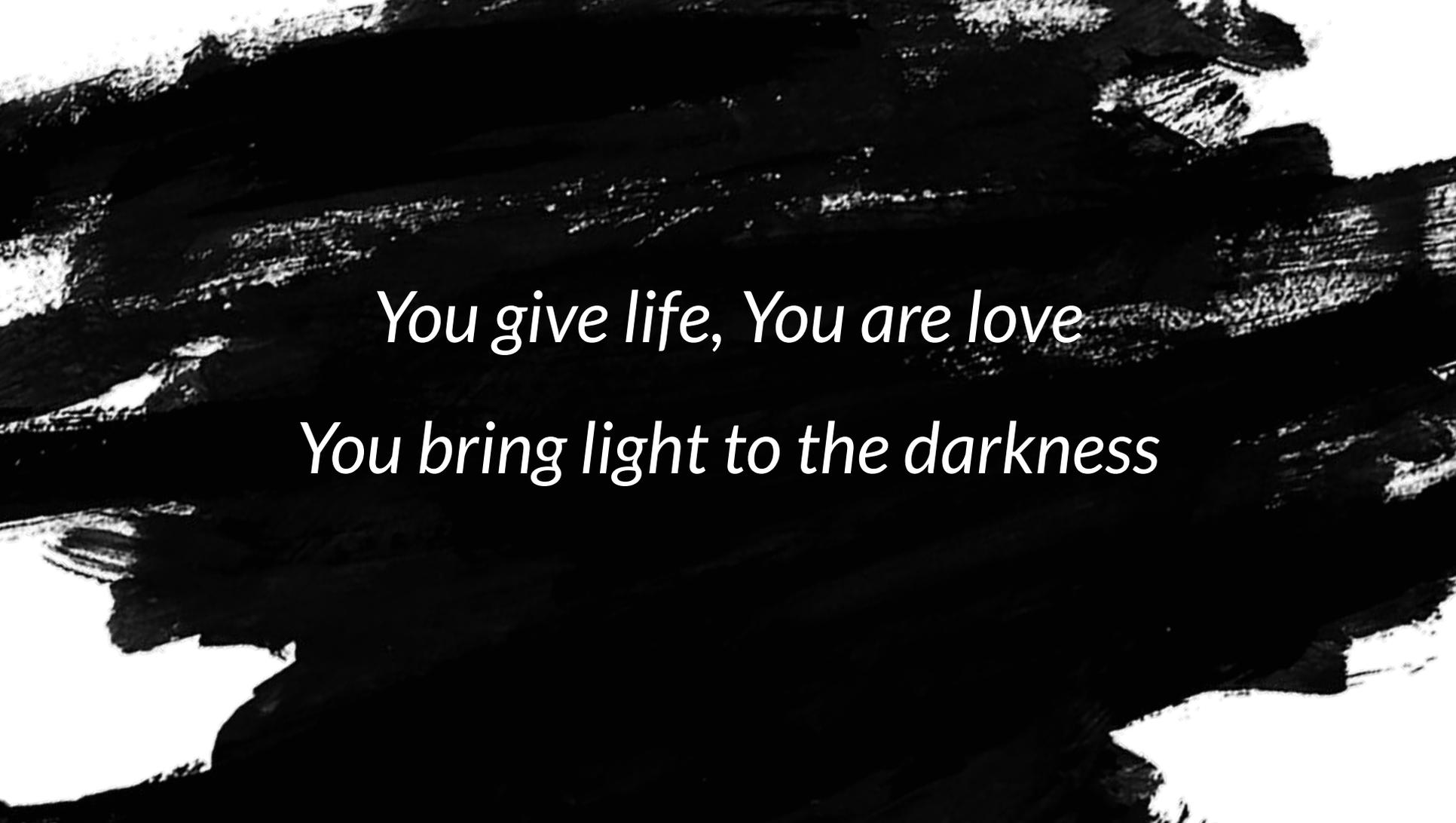


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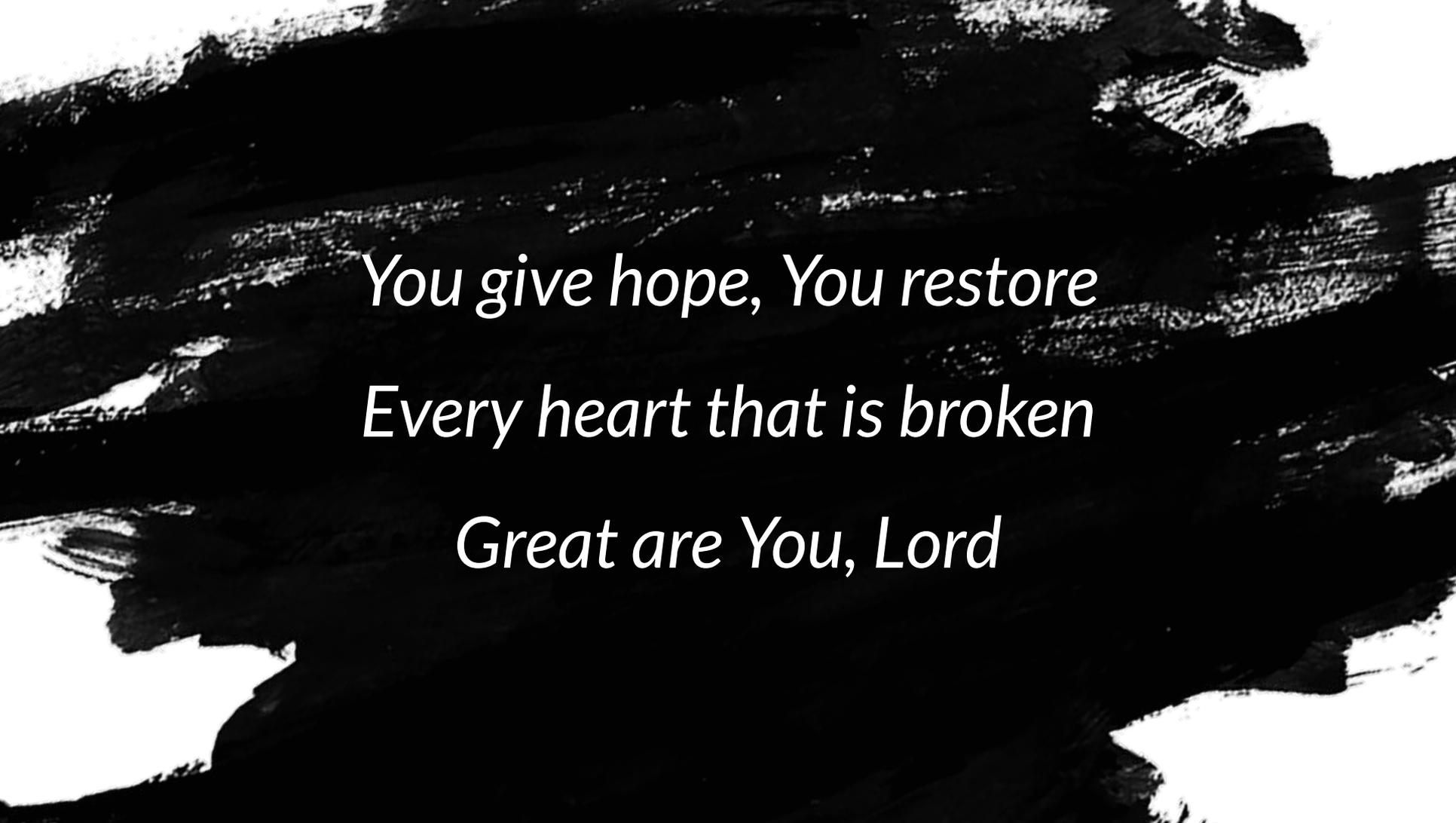


Great Are You, Lord

All Sons & Daughters // CCLI #6460220



*You give life, You are love
You bring light to the darkness*

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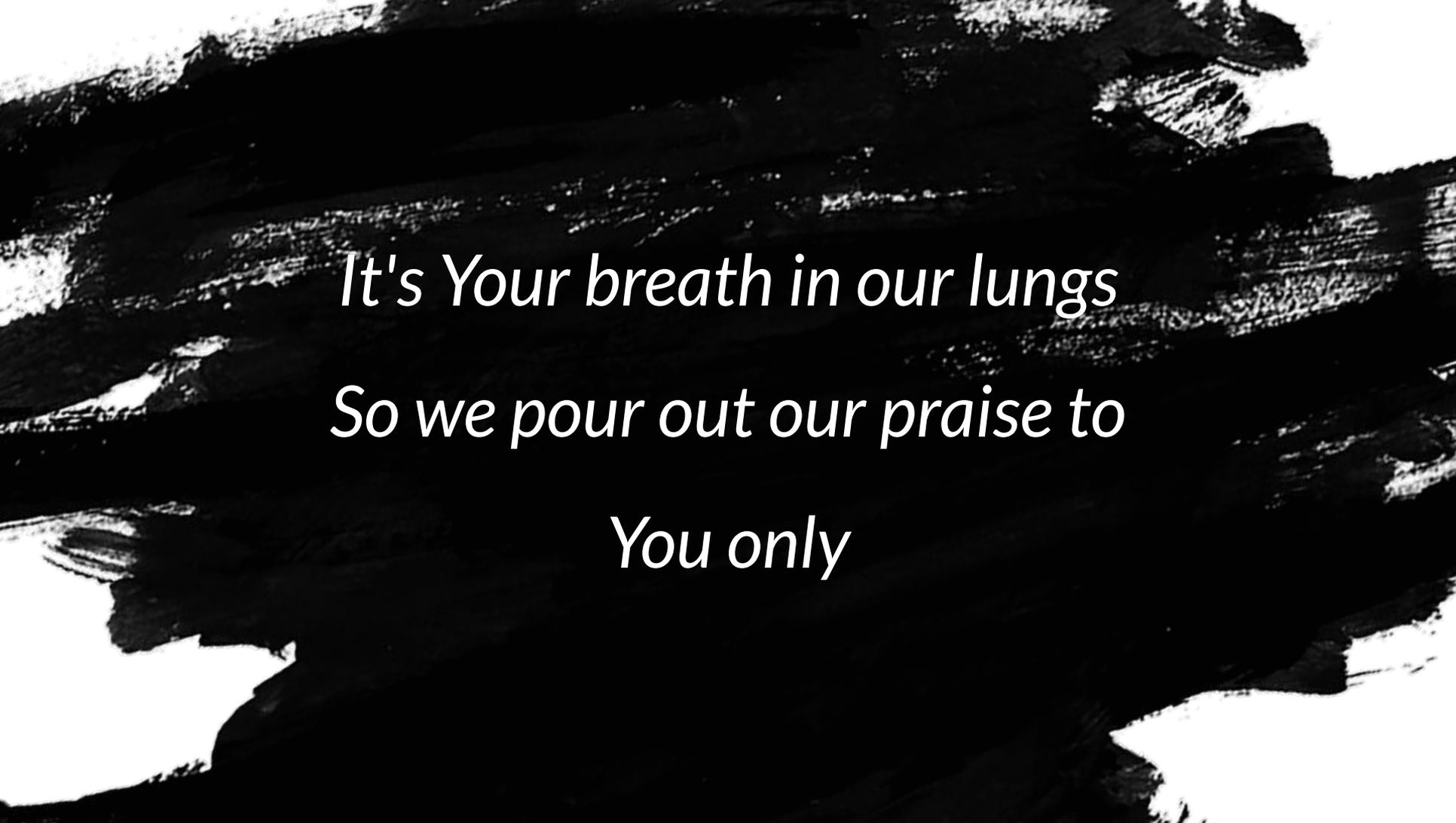
*You give hope, You restore
Every heart that is broken
Great are You, Lord*



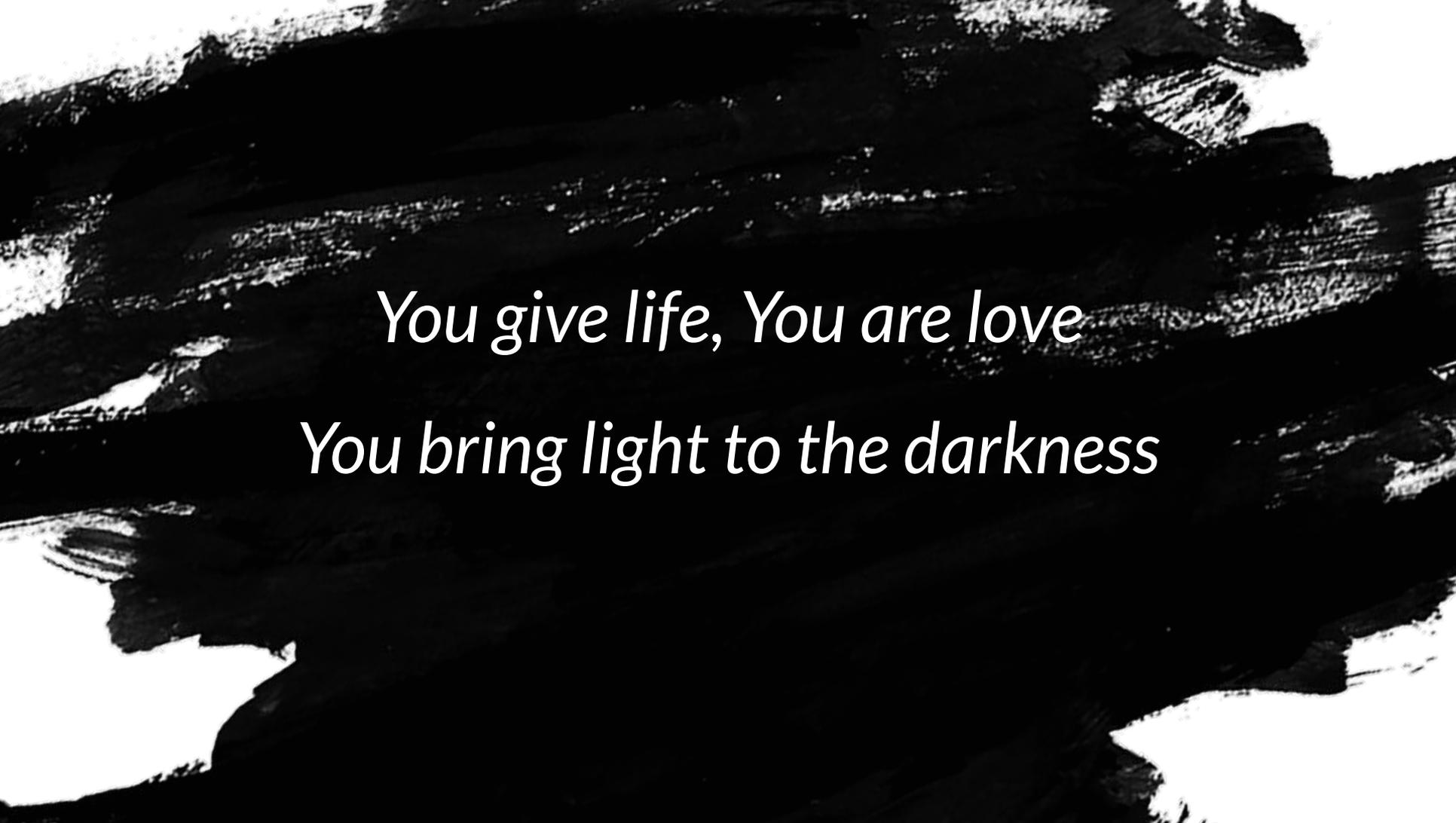
It's Your breath in our lungs

So we pour out our praise

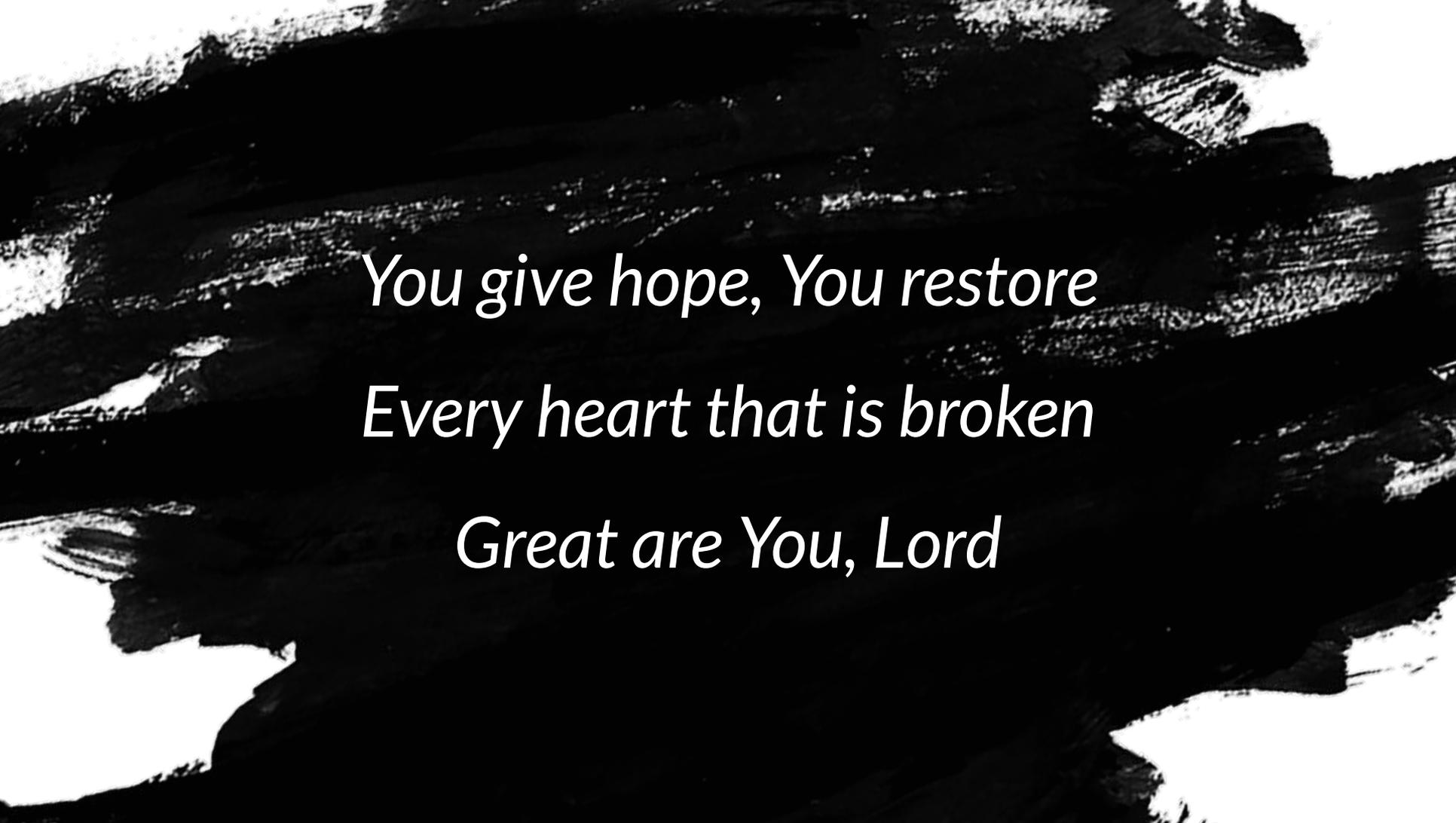
We pour out our praise



*It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to
You only*



*You give life, You are love
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*You give hope, You restore
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It's Your breath in our lungs

So we pour out our praise

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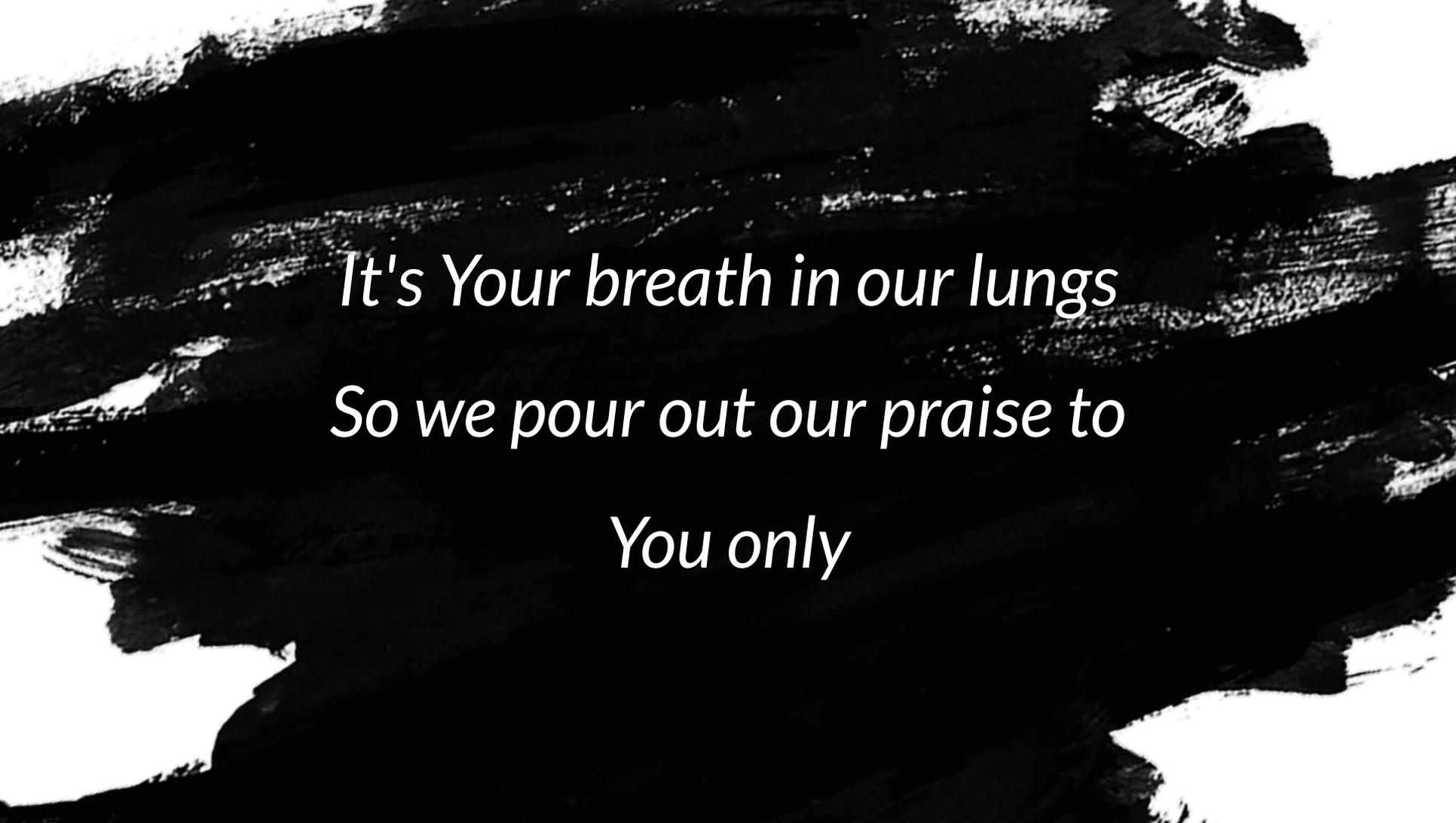
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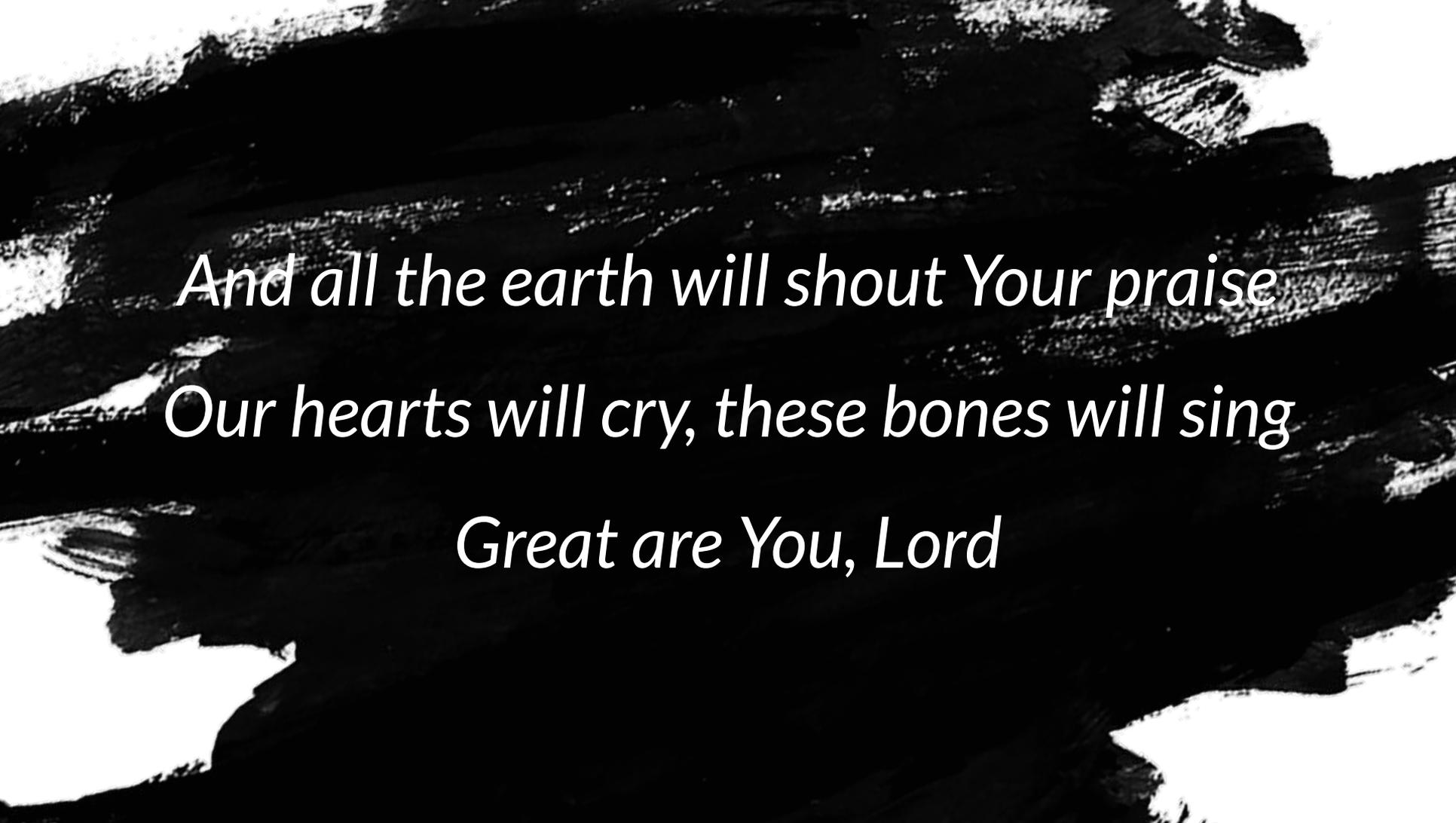
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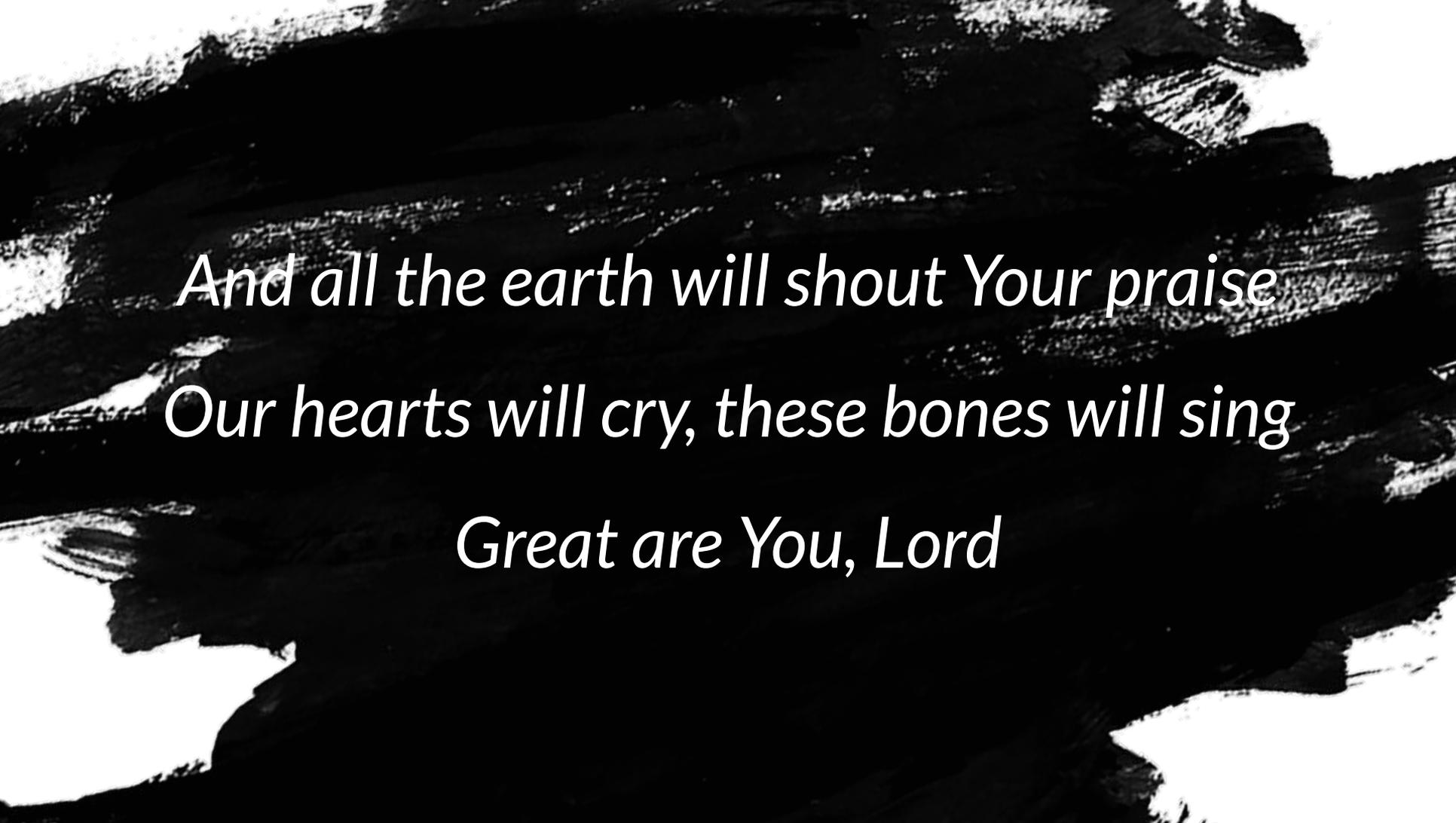
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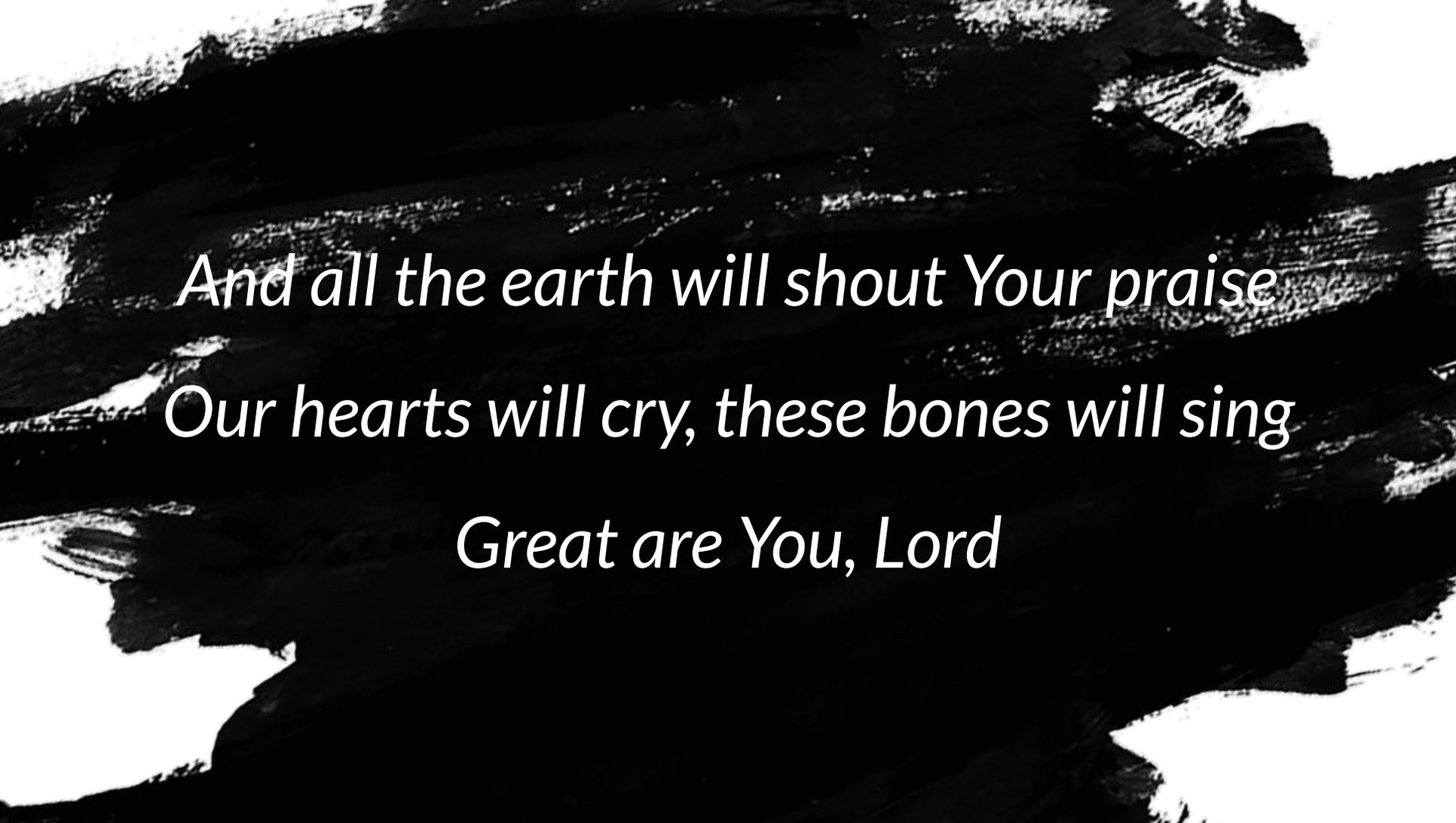
*It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to
You only*



*And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing
Great are You, Lord*



*And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing
Great are You, Lord*



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So we pour out our praise

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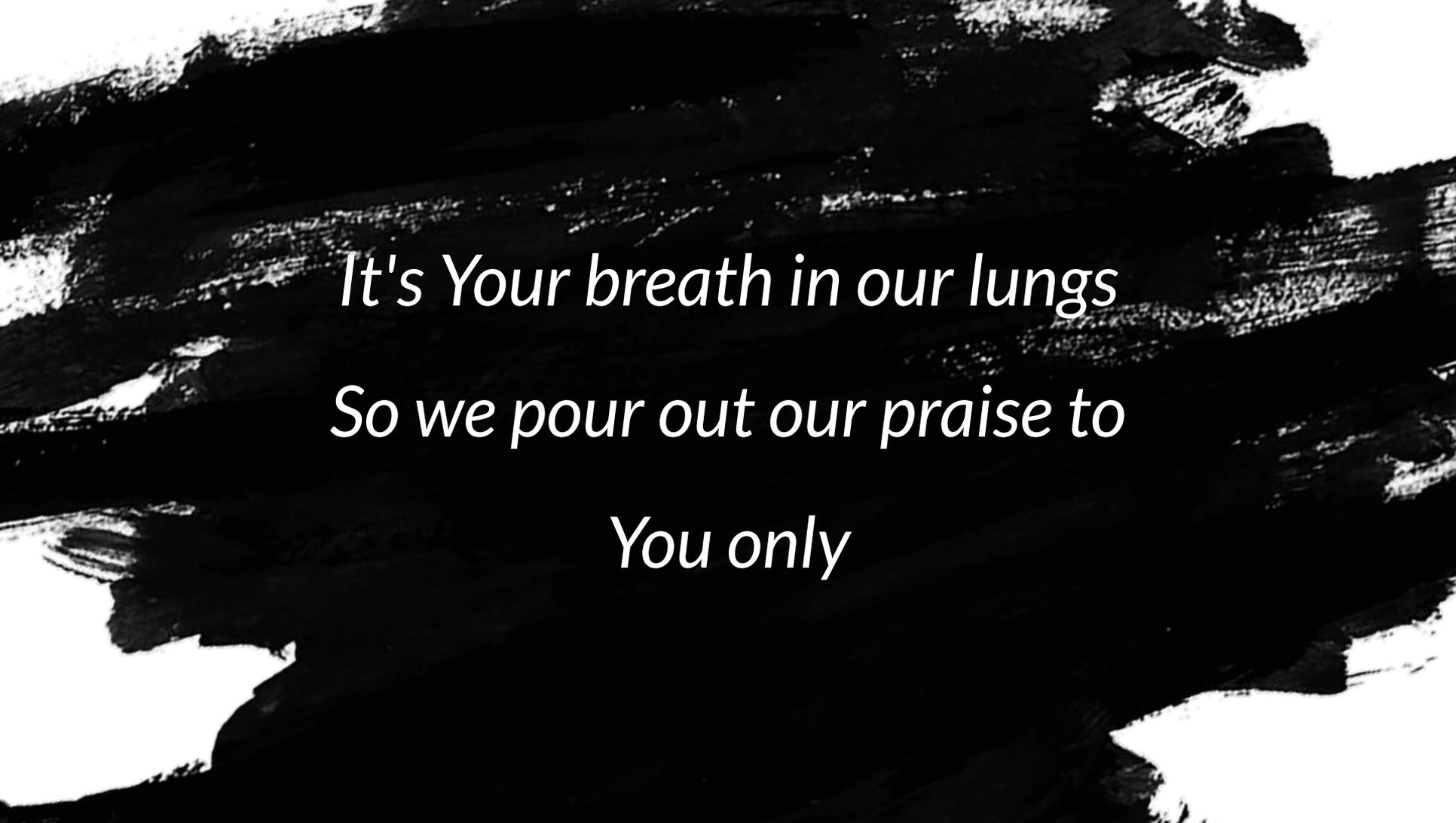
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Thanks for singing!

Go ahead and take a seat.

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LIFE IS
MESSY

"Pride"

By Fred Douglas



main idea

A Christ-centered community is God's way to humility, growth, and love

outline

- Pride leads to isolation
- Pride leads to a wall
- God's answer is community



Pride

What is Pride?

- Taking pleasure in something carried out by another person.
- A high or inordinate opinion of one's own importance, merit, or superiority as cherished in the mind or displayed in conduct.





#1

Pride leads to isolation





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*Whoever isolates himself seeks his
own desire; he breaks out against all
sound judgment.*

Proverbs 18:1 ESV



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Then the Lord God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone; I will make a helper suitable for him.”

Genesis 2:18 NASB



#1

Pride leads to isolation



#2

Pride leads to a wall



Wall

What is “a Wall?”

- It is a crisis that turns our world upside down.
 - Examples: death of a close friend, disease, betrayal, shattered dream, distance from God, etc.
 - David’s Wall





*The sacrifices of God are a broken
spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O
God, you will not despise.*

Psalm 51:17 NASB



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*When I kept silent about my sin, my
body wasted away through my
groaning all day long.*

Psalm 32:3 NASB



”

*For day and night Your hand was heavy
upon me; my vitality was drained away
as with the fever heat of summer.*

Psalm 32:4 NASB



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*“Restore to me the joy of Your
salvation and sustain me with a
willing heart.”*

Psalm 51:12 NASB



”

“Then I will teach transgressors Your ways, and sinners will be converted to You.”

Psalm 51:13 NASB

#2

Pride leads to a wall





#3

God's answer is community



Community

What is Community?

- Marriage
- Family
- Nations



Community

Community in Action

- The Ark
- Abraham
- David
- Jesus' Disciples





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*But speaking the truth in love, we are
to grow up in all aspects into Him who
is the Head, even Christ*

*Ephesians 4:15
NASB*



From Whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the building up of itself in love.

Ephesians 4:16

NASB



”

*And let us consider how to stimulate
one another to love and good deeds.*

Hebrews 10:24
NASB



Not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near.

Hebrews 10:25
NASB

Community

Community in Action

- Make a call or return a call
- Attend a church meeting and linger afterwards
- Pray for fellow believers

What other ways can you think of?





#3

God's answer is community





conclusion

A Christ-centered community is God's way to humility, growth, and love



announcements

10.04.2020

Convergence

Convergence is this upcoming weekend! Make sure you get signed up as soon as possible. This will help make sure there is enough food for everyone attending.

You can find more information and get registered at www.wlgrace.org/convergence



Next Sunday

Due to our limited capacity at the Wesley Foundation, we will be hosting our regular Sunday service at Cary Camp, where Convergence will be happening. If you need help finding a ride there, feel free to contact us at info@wlgrace.org



No Cookout!

Normally we would be hosting a leadership cookout on the second Sunday of the month. However, due to how it lines up with Convergence, we are going to skip a month to give everyone some extra time to rest.





THANKS FOR
JOINING

Make sure to like and share
this teaching on social media!

