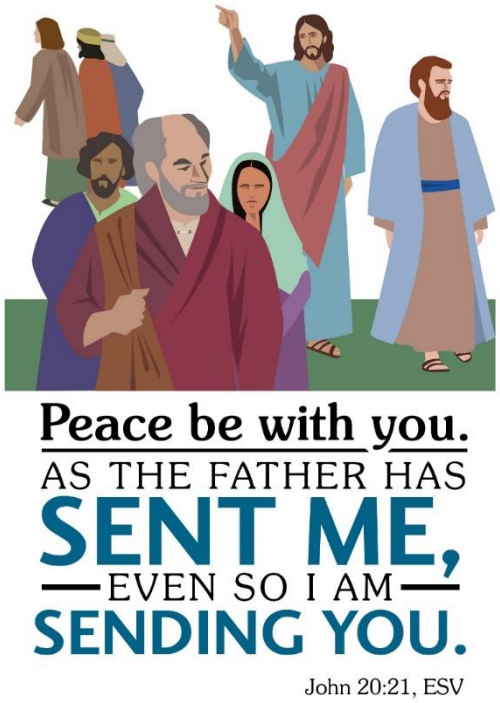
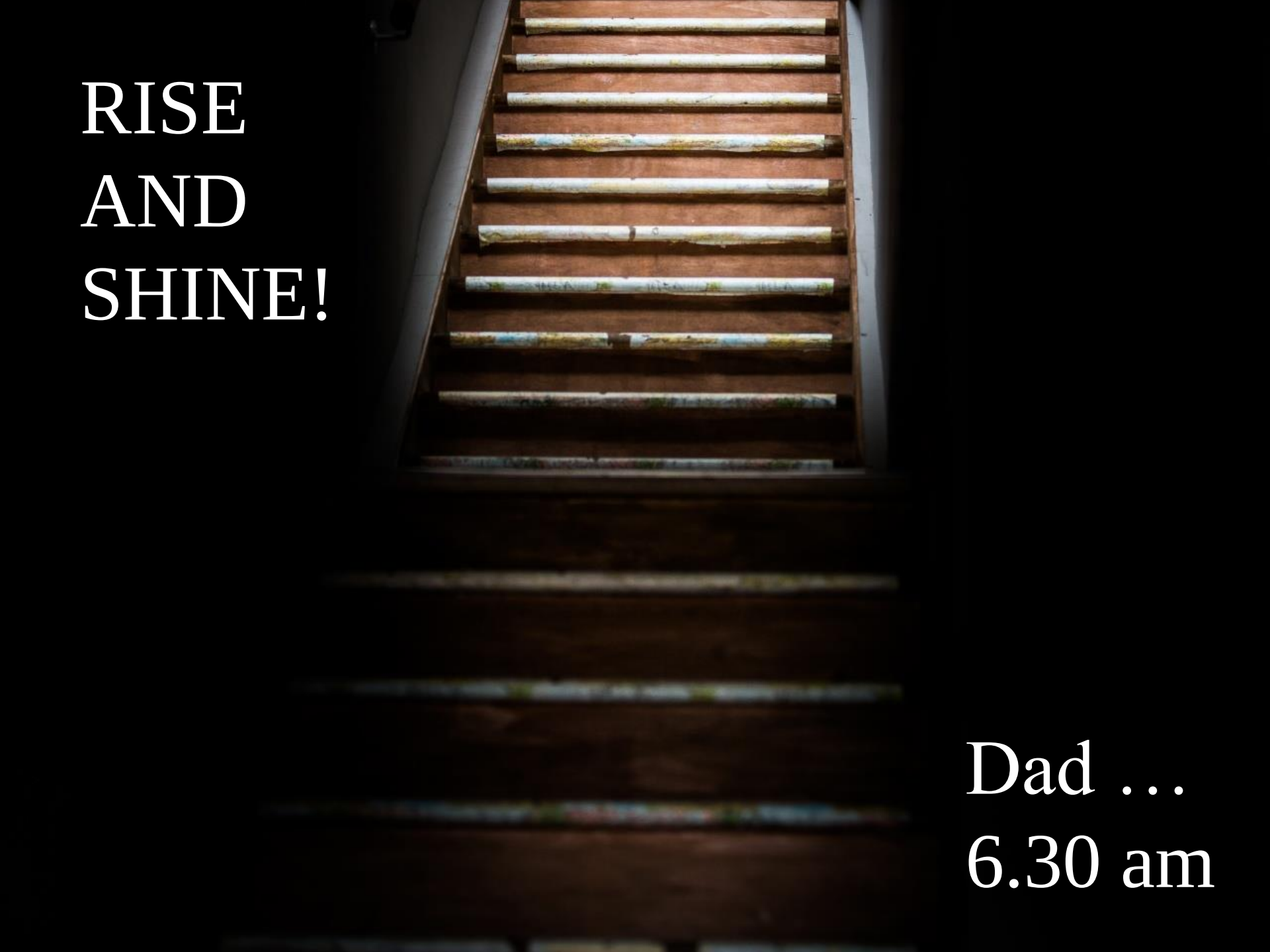
April 21, 2019 … Easter Sunday
Rise & Shine! Colossians 2:12-15, Romans 6:1-5
John 3:16

VISION: We are a functional family of God, where Jesus is Lord and people grow.

MISSION: Every layperson is called to carry out the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20); every layperson is called to be missional. *(¶126 of the 2016 Book of Discipline)*

There are two kinds of people in this world: people who need to become disciples and disciples who need to become disciple makers.



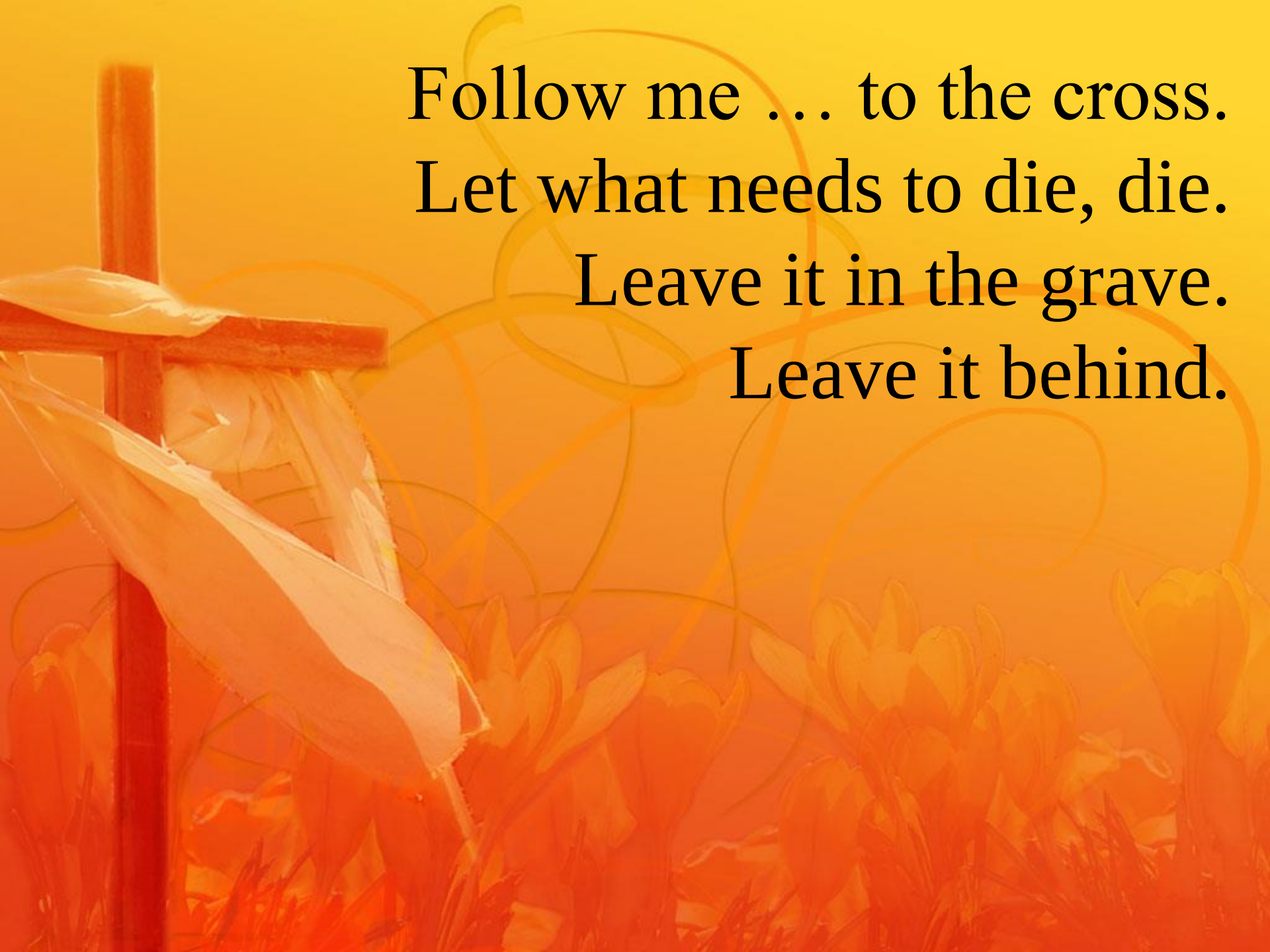

RISE
AND
SHINE!
Dad …
6.30 am

RISE AND SHINE!
The Father to Jesus

RISE
AND
SHINE!
RESET
Jesus to
us … Wake up!

Colossians 2:12 and you were buried with him in baptism, ***in which you were also raised with him through faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.*** 13 And you, who were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, ***God made alive together with him,***

having forgiven us all our trespasses, 14 having canceled the bond which stood against us with its legal demands; ***this he set aside, nailing it to the cross.*** 15 He disarmed the principalities and powers and made a public example of them, triumphing over them ***in him.***


Follow me … to the cross.
Let what needs to die, die.
Leave it in the grave.
Leave it behind.

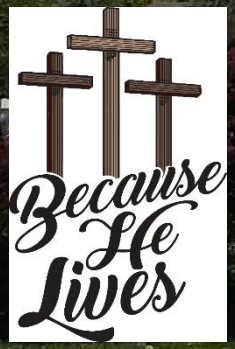
Follow me …
up and from the
grave.
Follow me
into a new life.
Leave what should
remain in the grave
behind you.

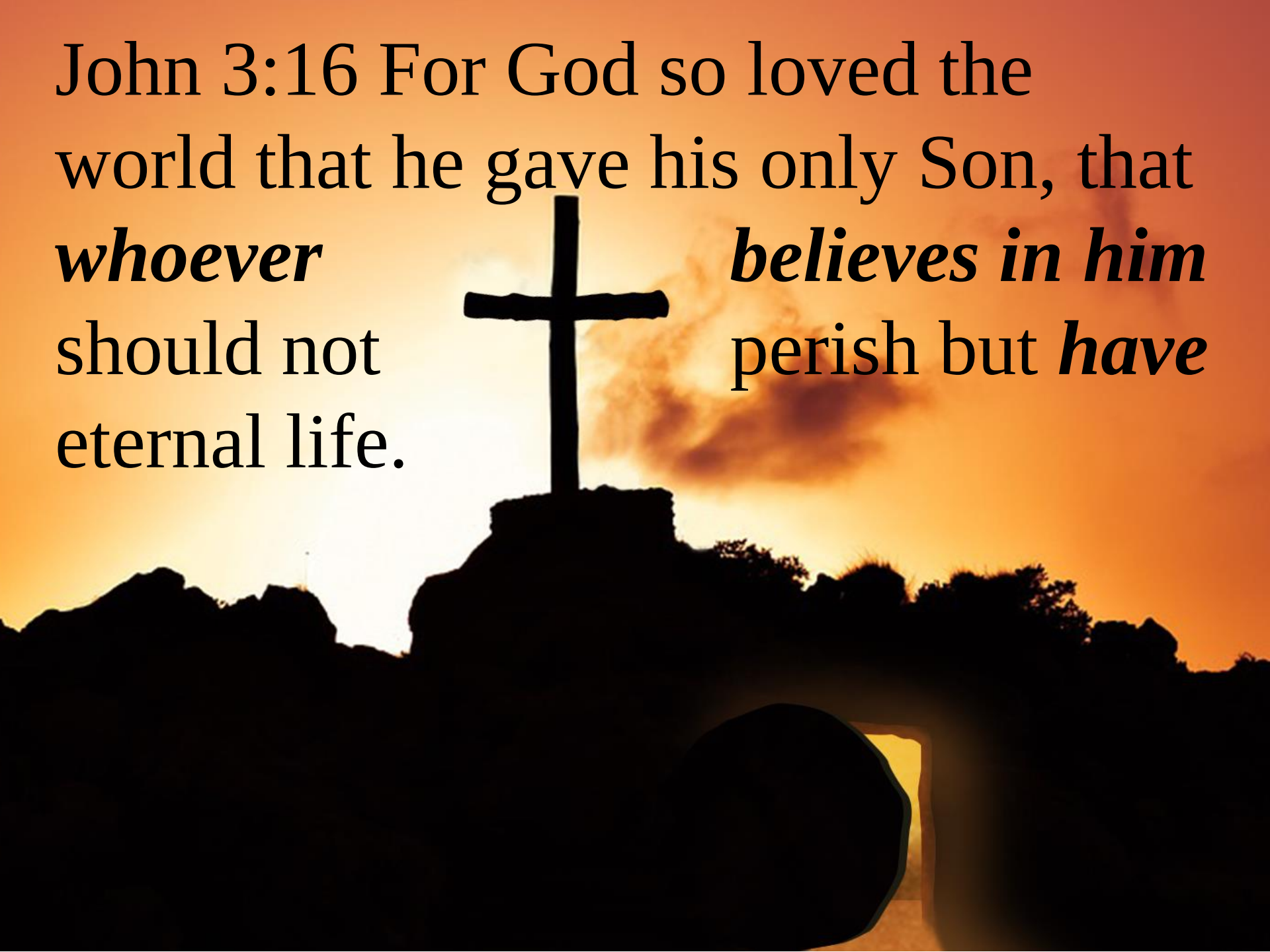
Romans 6:1 What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? 2 By no means! ***How can we who died to sin still live in it?*** 3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death,

so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, ***we too might walk in newness of life.*** 5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, ***we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.***

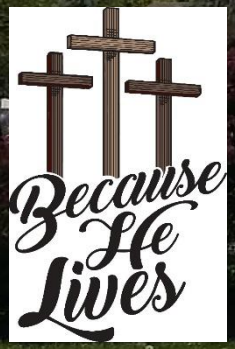
Because He Lives
It’s been a long,
cold, lonely winter.

Resurrection is now normal: bloom!




John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that ***whoever*** ***believes in him*** should not perish but ***have*** eternal life.

Eugene Peterson:
Hans and his Bible.

Grace in us is powered by the resurrection.

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