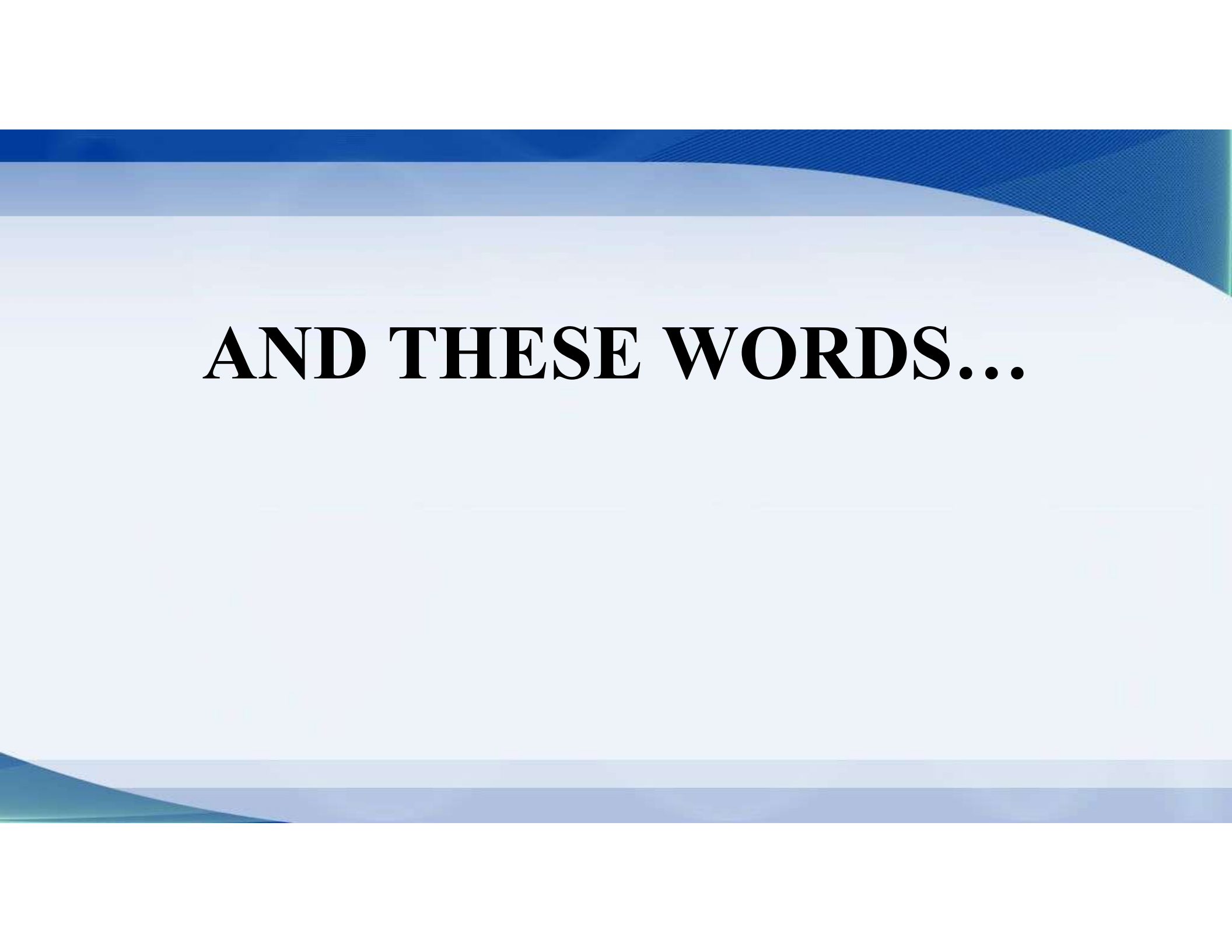




AND THESE WORDS...

Deuteronomy 6:6 And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

Genesis 2:15 And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.

Genesis 2:16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, **Of every tree** of the garden thou mayest **freely eat:**

Genesis 2:17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

Genesis 3:1 Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. **And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?**

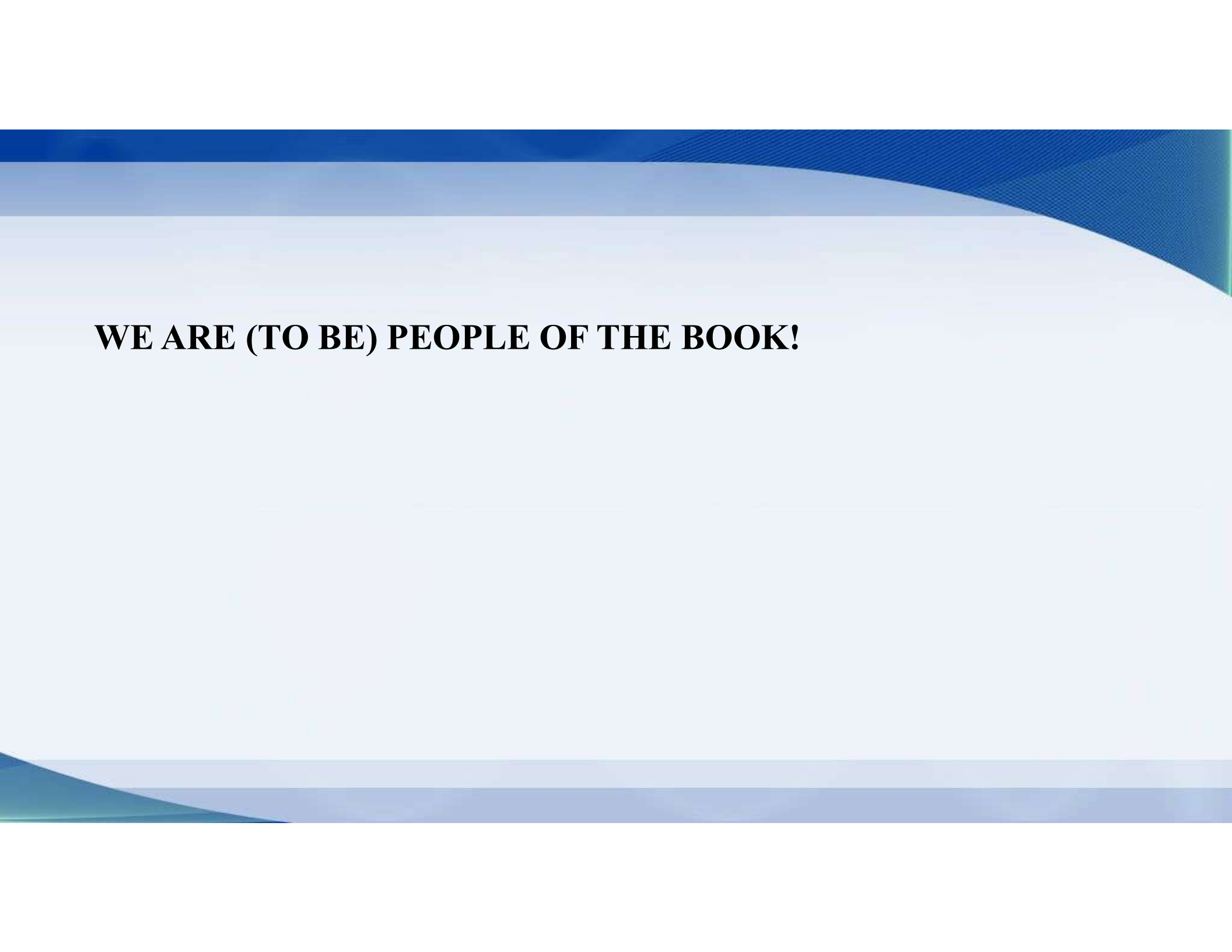
Joshua 1:8 **This book of the law** shall not depart out of thy mouth; **but thou shalt meditate therein day and night**, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Psalm 1:2 But his **delight** is in the law of the LORD;
And in his law doth he **meditate** day and night.

Psalm 1:3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the
rivers of water, That bringeth forth his fruit in his
season; His leaf also shall not wither; And whatsoever
he doeth shall prosper.

Acts 20:32 And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.

Revelation 1:3 Blessed is he that **readeth, and they that **hear** the words of this prophecy, and **keep** those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.**



WE ARE (TO BE) PEOPLE OF THE BOOK!

1. And these words – it started with salvation!

John 3:7 Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye **must be born again.**

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

John 3:18 He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned **already**, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

John 3:36 He that believeth on the Son **hath**
everlasting life: and he that believeth **not** the Son shall
not see life; but the wrath of God **abideth** on him.

John 5:24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that
heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me,
hath everlasting life, and shall not come into
condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

Ephesians 2:8-9

For **by grace** are ye saved
through faith;

and that **not** of yourselves:
it is the gift of God:

Not of works,
lest any man should boast.

2. And these words - beginning of growth

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

1 Corinthians 15:57 But thanks be to God, **which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Romans 8:37 Nay, in all these things **We are more than conquerors through him that loved us.**

Jonah 1:1 NOW the word of the LORD came unto Jonah the son of Amittai, saying, Jonah 1:2 Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry against it; for their wickedness is come up before me. Jonah 1:3 **But Jonah rose up to flee unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD....**

Jonah 3:1 And the word of the LORD came unto Jonah **the second time, saying,**

3. And these words – understanding God sovereignty

Romans 8:18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.



Deuteronomy 29:29 The secret things belong unto the LORD our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law.

3 signs of suicide:

- **Method**
- **Location**
- **note**

4. And these words – crisis of late 1986-1987

You will never Pastor a church!!!

Psalm 103:19 The LORD hath prepared his throne in the heavens; And his kingdom ruleth over all.

5. And these words – forgiveness...& reconciliation!

1991-1992...2025

Ephesians 4:32 And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, **even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.**

Matthew 6:12 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

Matthew 6:14 For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you:

Matthew 6:15 But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

The 2nd part of the crisis: How can I forgive...he keeps on doing evil / wrong!

1 Samuel 24:22 And David sware unto Saul. And Saul went home; but David and his men gat them up unto the hold.

1 Samuel 26:25 Then Saul said to David, Blessed be thou, my son David: thou shalt both do great things, and also shalt still prevail. So David went on his way, and Saul returned to his place.

6. And these words – sanctification / growth in grace as a **process**

Philippians 2:12 Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, **work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.**

Philippians 2:13 For it is **God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.**

Genesis 50:19 And Joseph said unto them, Fear not: for am I in the place of God? Genesis 50:20 But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive.

2 Peter 3:18 But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

1 Peter 2:1 Wherefore **laying aside** all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,

1 Peter 2:2 **AS** newborn babes, **desire** the sincere milk of the word, **that** ye may grow thereby:

1 Peter 2:3 **If** so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious.

Proverbs 4:18 But the path of the just is as the shining light, That shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

Proverbs 4:19 The way of the wicked is as darkness: They know not at what they stumble.

7. And these words – philosophy of ministry

What will it be?

➤ **Shared culture?**

➤ **Experiences**

➤ **Emotions**

➤ Self

➤ Music?

**Job 35:10 But none saith, Where is God my maker,
Who giveth songs in the night;**

**Psalm 119:54 Thy statutes have been my songs In the
house of my pilgrimage.**

➤ **Or, Scripture??? A people of the Book!!!**

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