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God has provided

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*People
Need
The
Lord*

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2 Corinthians 9:12 (NASB)

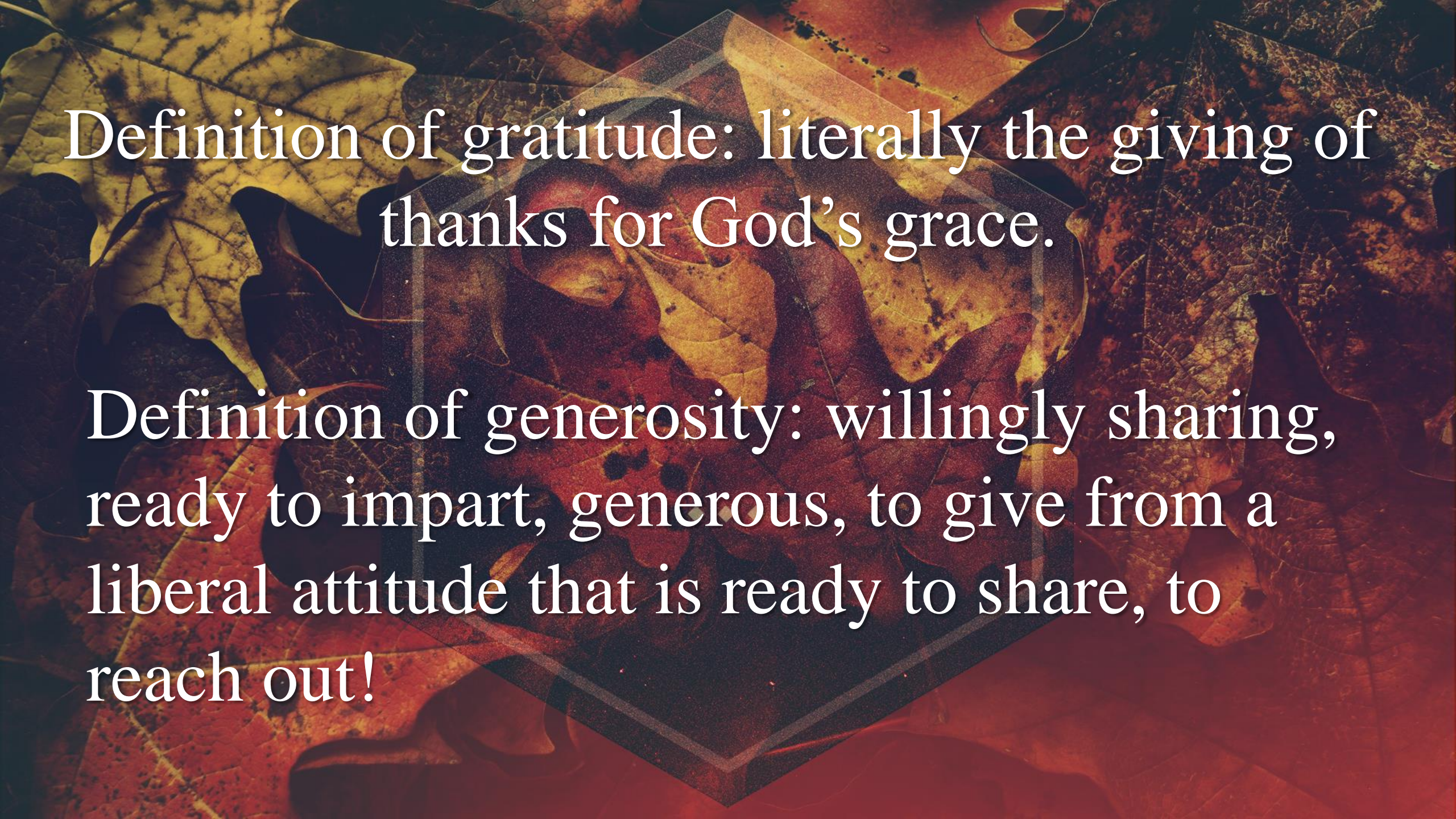
¹² For the ministry of this service is not only fully supplying the needs of the saints, but is also overflowing through many thanksgivings to God. ♦ ♦ ♦

2 Corinthians 9:13 (NASB)

¹³ Because of the proof given by this ministry, they will glorify God for *your* obedience to your confession of the gospel of Christ and for the liberality of your contribution to them and to all,

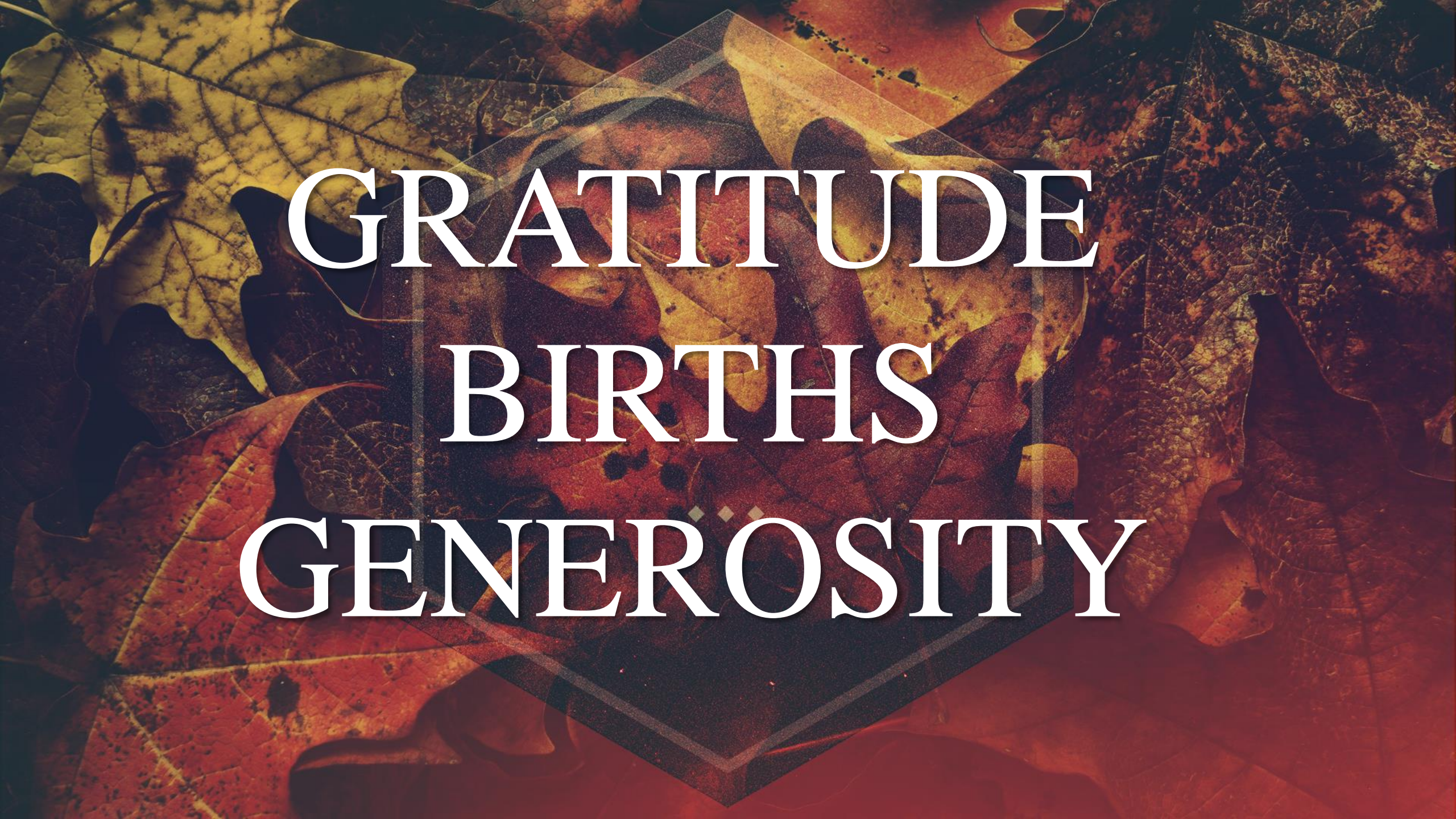
2 Corinthians 9:14-15 (NASB)

¹⁴ while they also, by prayer on your behalf, yearn for you because of the surpassing grace of God in you. ¹⁵ Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift! ♦ ♦ ♦



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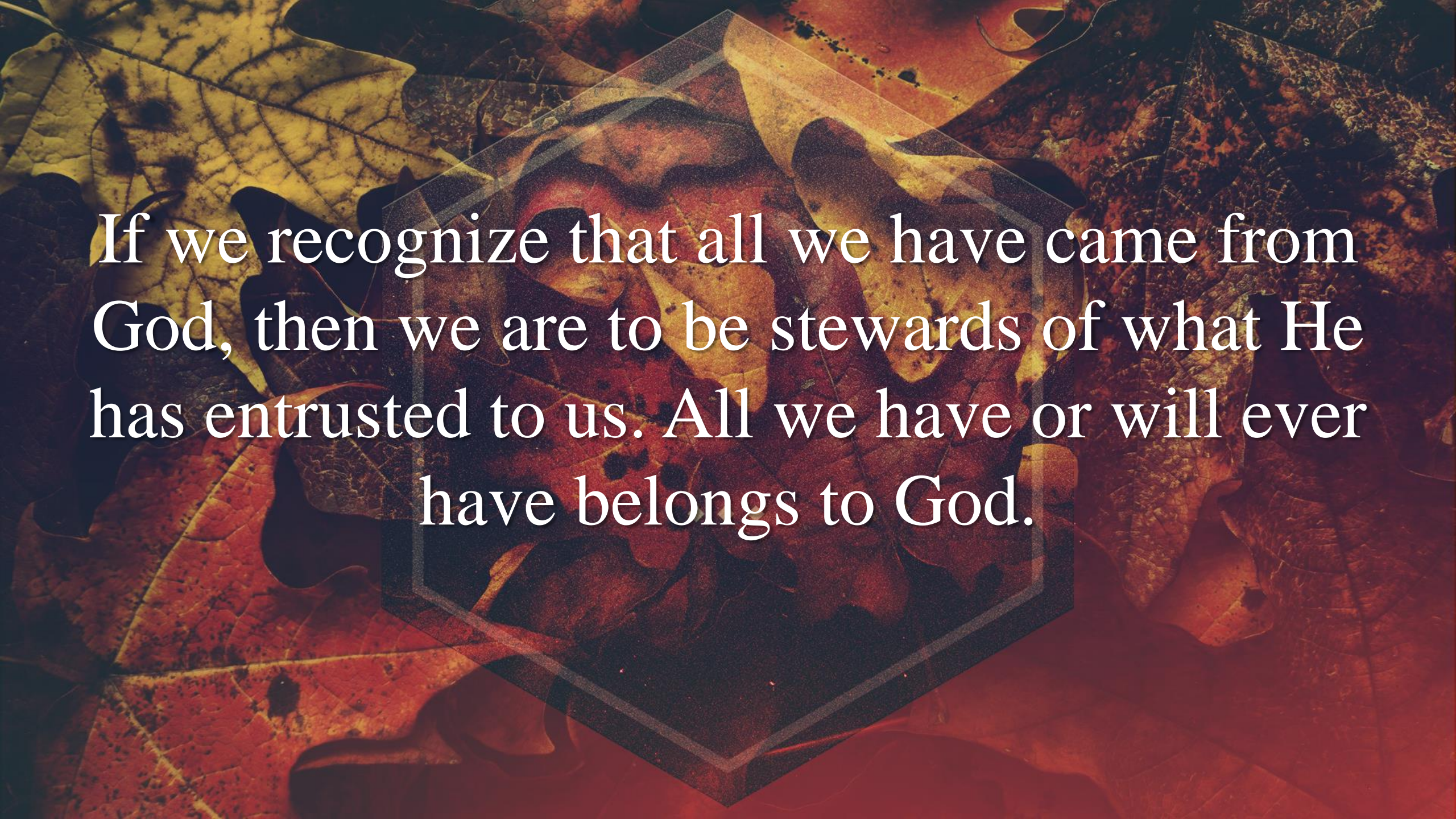
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GRATITUDE
BIRTHS
GENEROSITY



If we focus on what we have, as something that we have earned, we seem to hold on to it more tightly.



If we recognize that all we have came from God, then we are to be stewards of what He has entrusted to us. All we have or will ever have belongs to God.



We Can't See Clearly When
We Have The Attitude
“This Is Mine”

2 Corinthians 9:6-7 (NASB)

⁶ Now this *I say*, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.

⁷ Each one *must do* just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:8-9 (NASB)

⁸ And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed; ⁹ as it is written, "HE SCATTERED ABROAD, HE GAVE TO THE POOR, HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS ENDURES FOREVER."

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Thanksgiving To God

Mark 10:17-18 (NASB)

¹⁷ As He was setting out on a journey, a man ran up to Him and knelt before Him, and asked Him, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸ And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good except God alone.

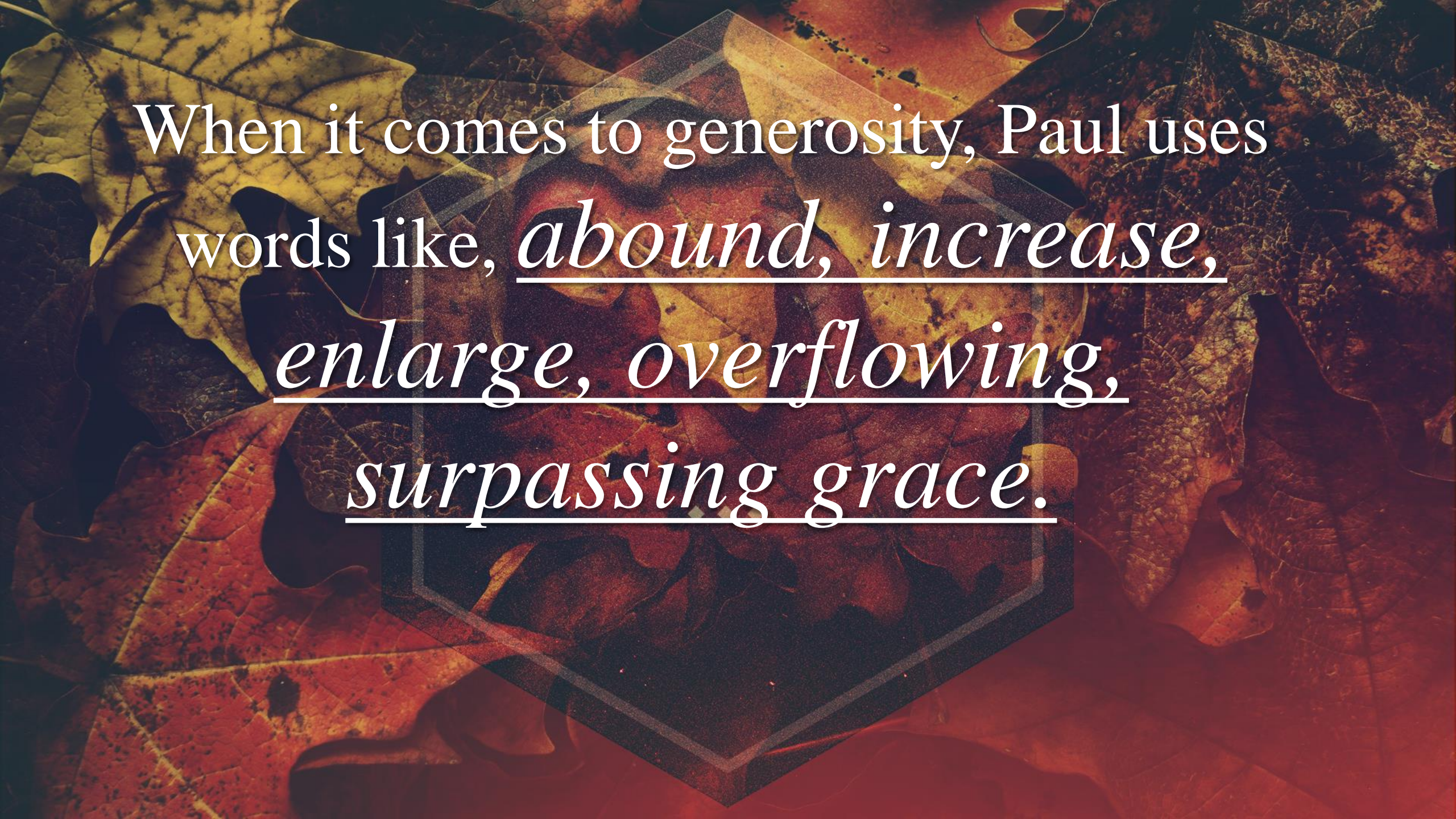
Mark 10:19 (NASB)

19 "You know the commandments.....,
20 And he said to Him, "Teacher, I have kept
all these things from my youth up." 21 Looking
at him, Jesus felt a love for him and said to
him, "One thing you lack: go and sell all you
possess and give to the poor, and you will have
treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me."

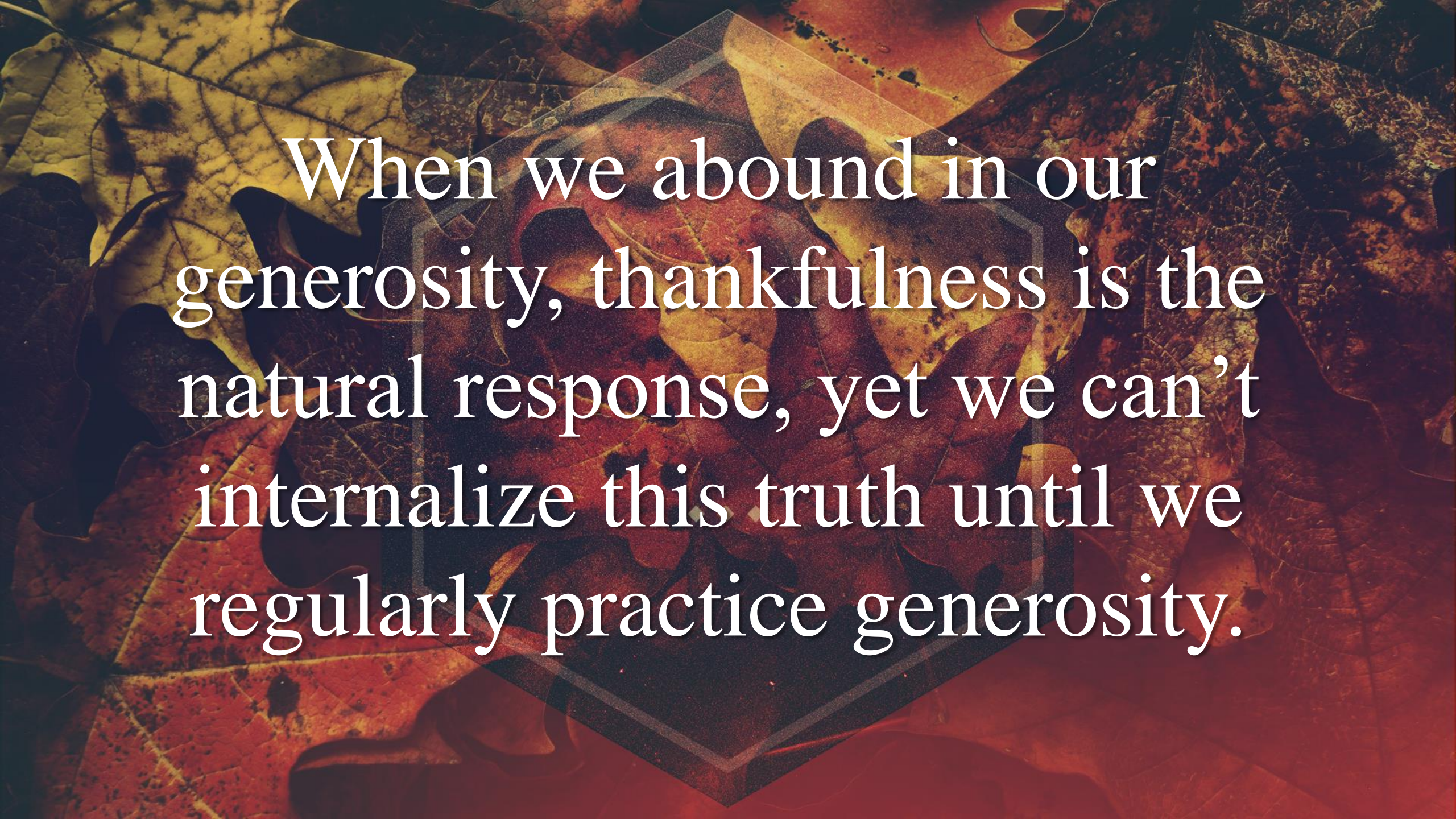
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Mark 10:22 (NASB)

²² But at these words he was saddened, and he went away grieving, for he was one who owned much property.



When it comes to generosity, Paul uses words like, *abound, increase, enlarge, overflowing, surpassing grace.*



When we abound in our generosity, thankfulness is the natural response, yet we can't internalize this truth until we regularly practice generosity.



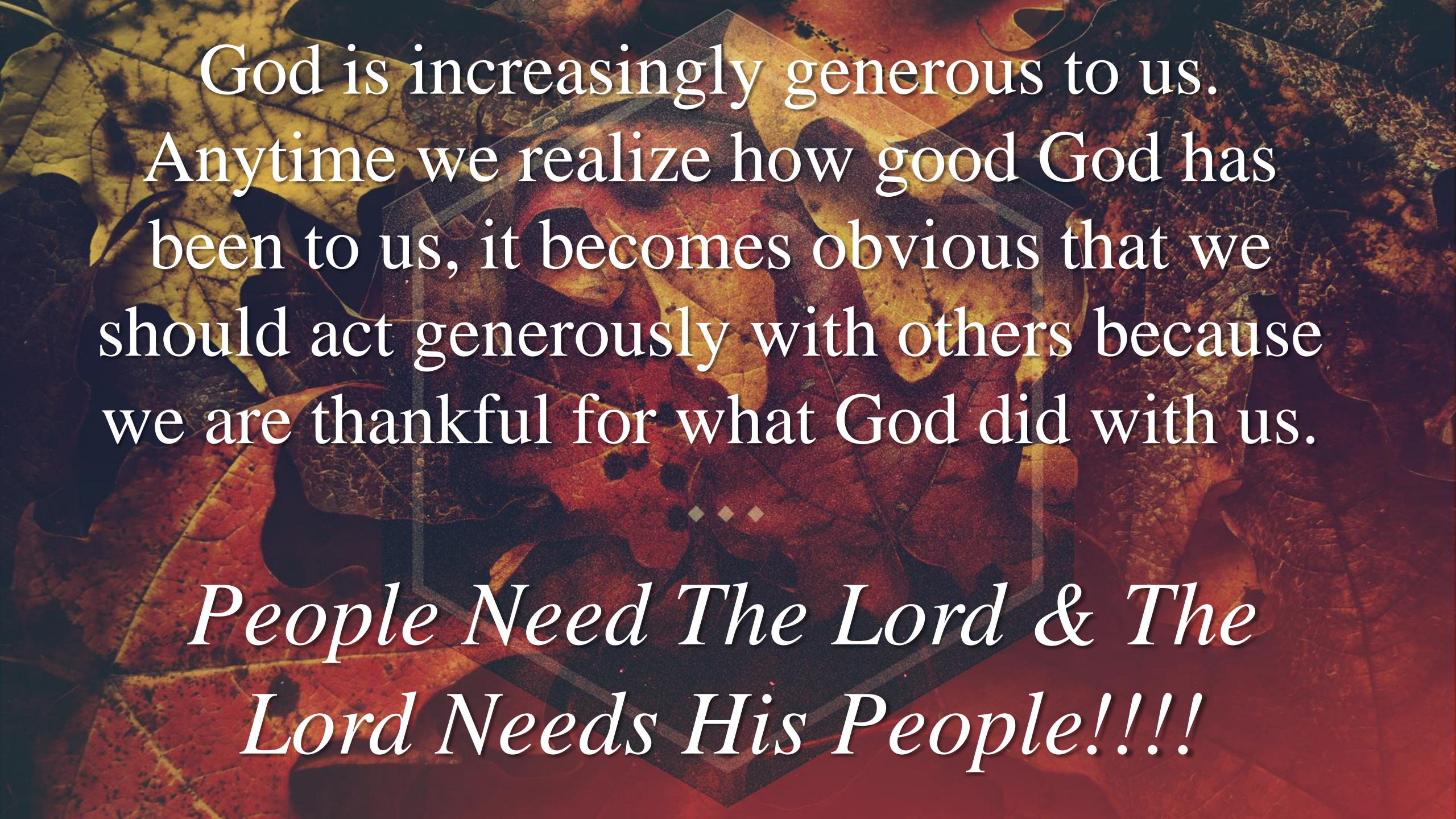
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Luke 6:38 (NASB)

³⁸ "Give, and it will be given to you. They will pour into your lap a good measure—pressed down, shaken together, *and* running over. For by your standard of measure it will be measured to you in return."



God is increasingly generous to us.
Anytime we realize how good God has
been to us, it becomes obvious that we
should act generously with others because
we are thankful for what God did with us.

*People Need The Lord & The
Lord Needs His People!!!!*







