

THE CONNECTION











**1. A DISTANCE, IMPOSSIBLE FOR US TO SPAN.
Vs. 1-2a**

“Thus says the Lord, ‘Heaven is My throne, and the earth is My footstool. Where then is a house you could build for Me? And where is a place that I may rest? For My hand made all these things, thus all these things came in being,’ declares the Lord.”

“Will God really live on earth? Why even the highest heavens cannot contain you. How much less this Temple I have built!” 1 Kings 8:27 (NLT)

**“Who has measured the waters in the hollow of His hand,
and marked off the heavens by the span, and calculated
the dust of the earth by the measure, and weighed the
mountains in a balance, and the hills in a pair of scales.”
40:12-13**

**“Behold, the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are
regarded as a speck of dust on the scales; behold, He lifts up
the islands like fine dust.” 40:15**

“All the nations are as nothing before Him, they are regarded by Him as less than nothing and meaningless.” 40:17

“‘For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways,’ declares the Lord. ‘For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My thoughts than your thoughts.’” 55:8-9

“...‘And I am God. Even from eternity I am He; and there is none who can deliver out of My hand; I act and who can reverse it?’” 43:12-13

“But your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, and your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He does not hear.” 59:2

2. WHEN GOD CONNECTS. Vs. 2b

“...But to this one I will look, to him who is humble and contrite of spirit, and who trembles at My word.”

A. Humble hearts.

“...My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray, and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.” 2 Chron. 7:14

B. Broken hearts.

“The sacrifice you desire is a broken spirit. You will not reject a broken and repentant heart, O God.” Ps. 51:17 (NLT)

“But they have not become contrite even to this day, nor have they feared nor walked in My law or My statutes, which I have set before you and before your fathers. Therefore thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, ‘Behold, I am going to set My face against you for woe, even to cut off all Judah.’”

Jer. 44:10-11

C. Trembling hearts.

“Then I proclaimed a fast there at the river...that we might humble ourselves before our God to seek from Him a safe journey for us, our little ones, and all our possessions.” Ezra 8:21

“So we fasted and sought our God, concerning this matter and He listened to our entreaty.” vs. 23

“Then everyone who trembled at the words of the God of Israel on account of the unfaithfulness of the exiles gathered to me, and I sat appalled until the evening offering.” Ezra 9:4

“Now while Ezra was praying and making confession, weeping and prostrating himself before the house of God, a very large assembly, men, women, and children, gathered to him from Israel; for the people wept bitterly.” Ezra 10:1

APPLICATION FOR ME:

“Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own?” 1 Cor. 6:19

“...the temple of God is holy, and that is what you are.” 1 Cor. 3:17

“For thus says the high and exalted One who lives forever, whose name is Holy, ‘I dwell on a high and holy place, and also with the contrite and lowly of spirit in order to revive the spirit of the lowly and to revive the heart of the contrite.’ Isa. 57:15

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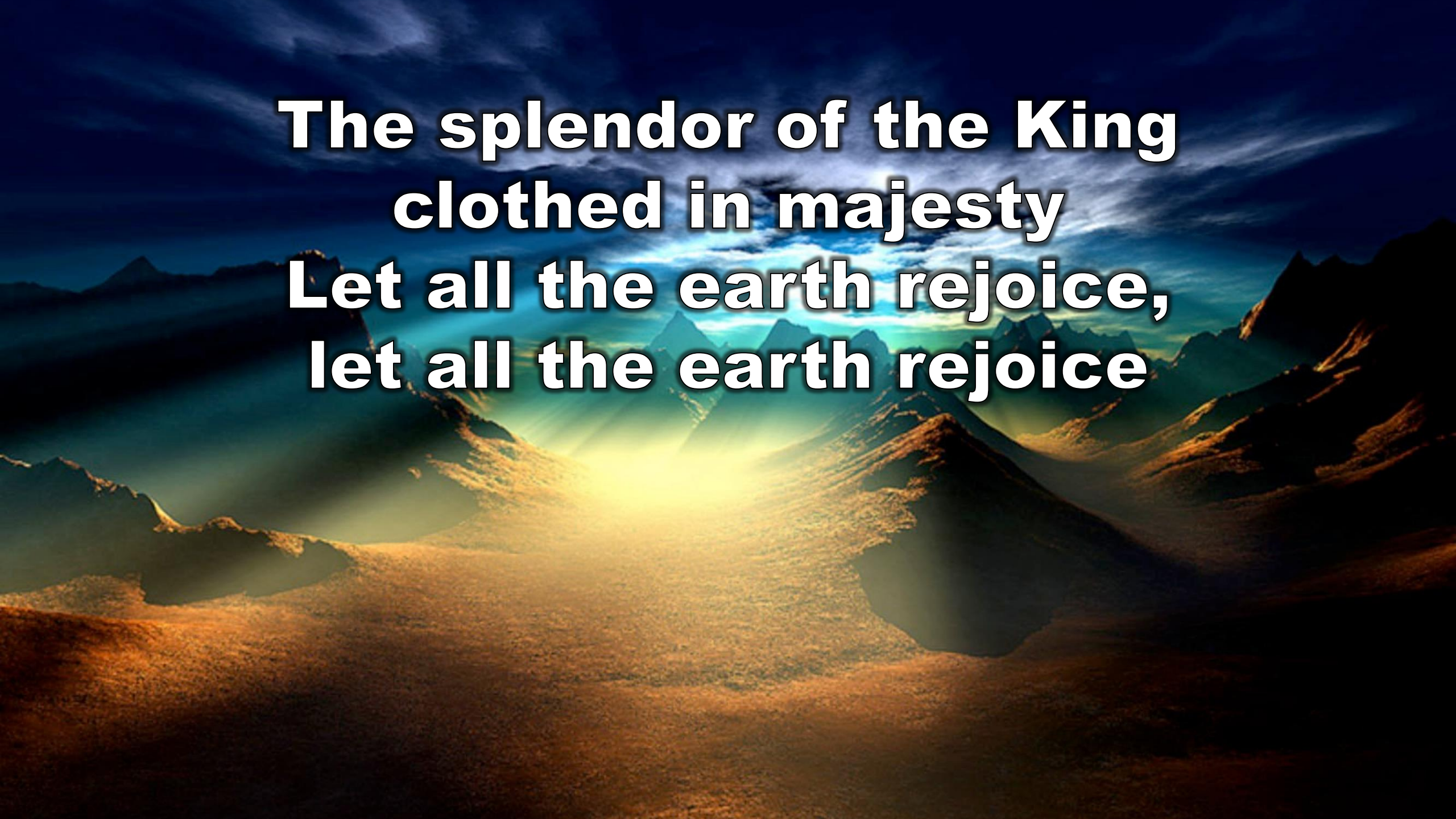
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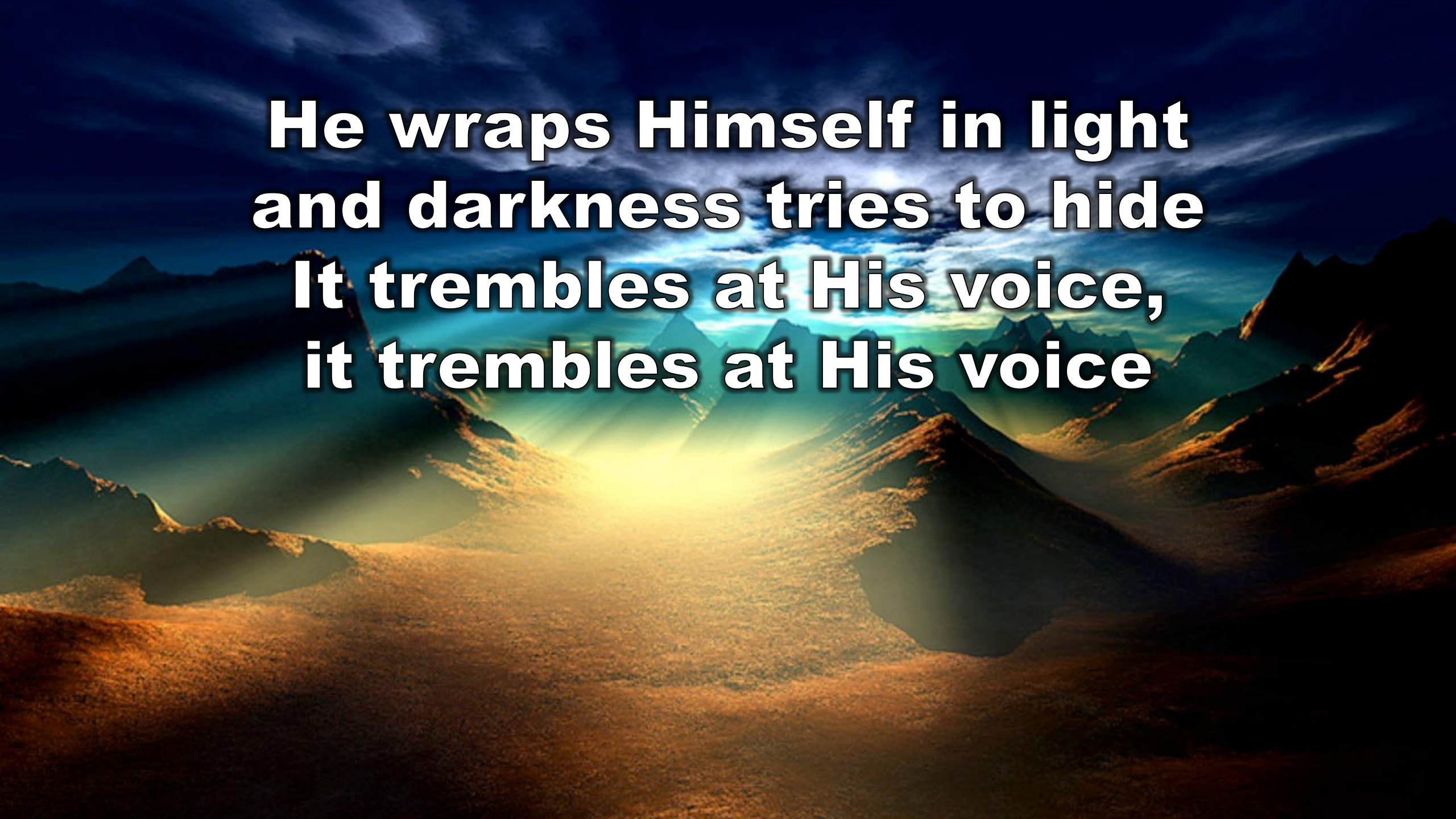
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A dramatic landscape featuring a bright sunburst or light source in the center, casting a powerful glow over a mountain range. The foreground is a dark, textured ground, possibly a field or a path, leading towards the mountains. The sky is dark with wispy clouds, and the overall color palette is dominated by deep blues, oranges, and yellows, creating a majestic and awe-inspiring atmosphere.

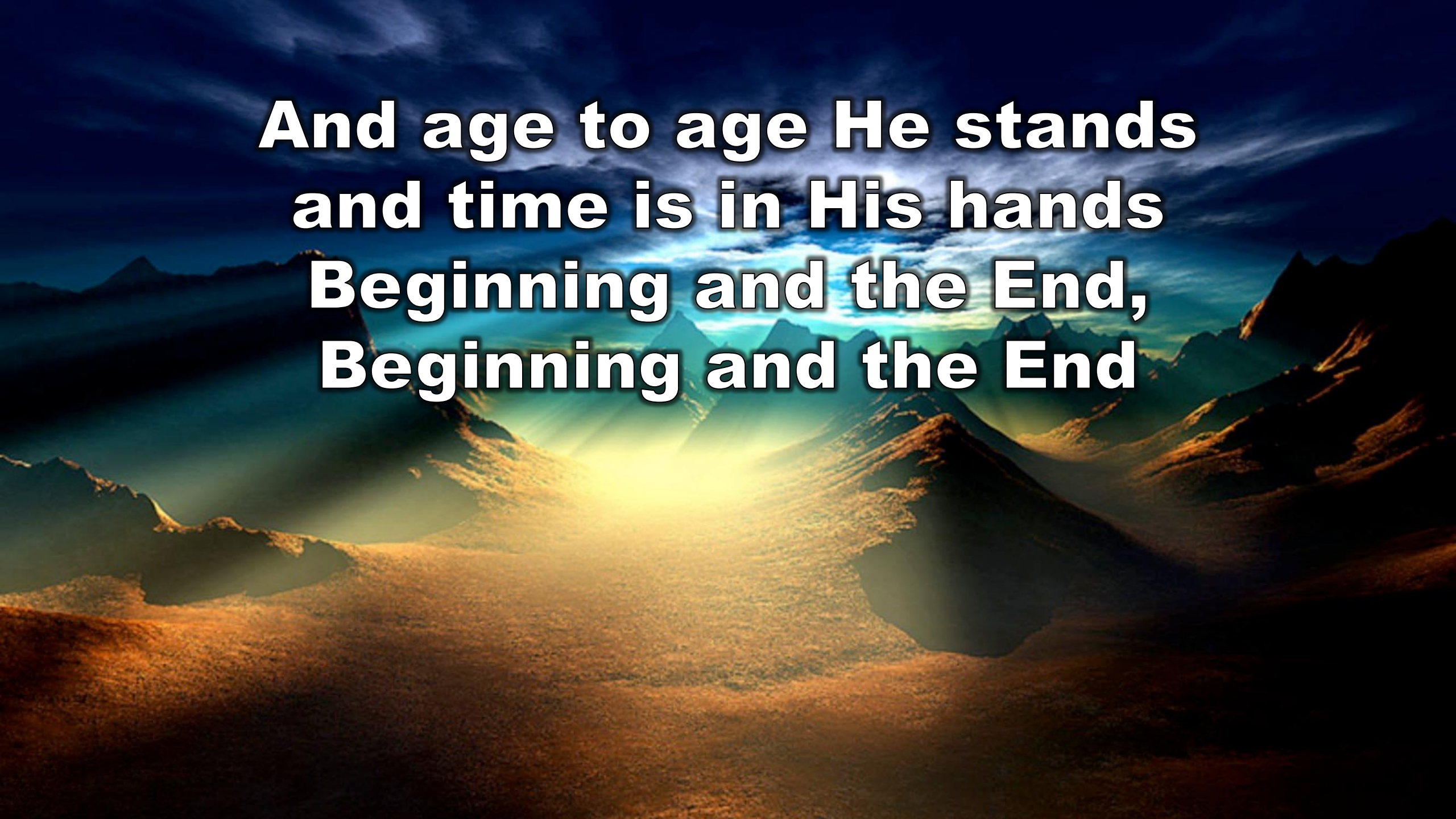
**The splendor of the King
clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice,
let all the earth rejoice**

**He wraps Himself in light
and darkness tries to hide
It trembles at His voice,
it trembles at His voice**

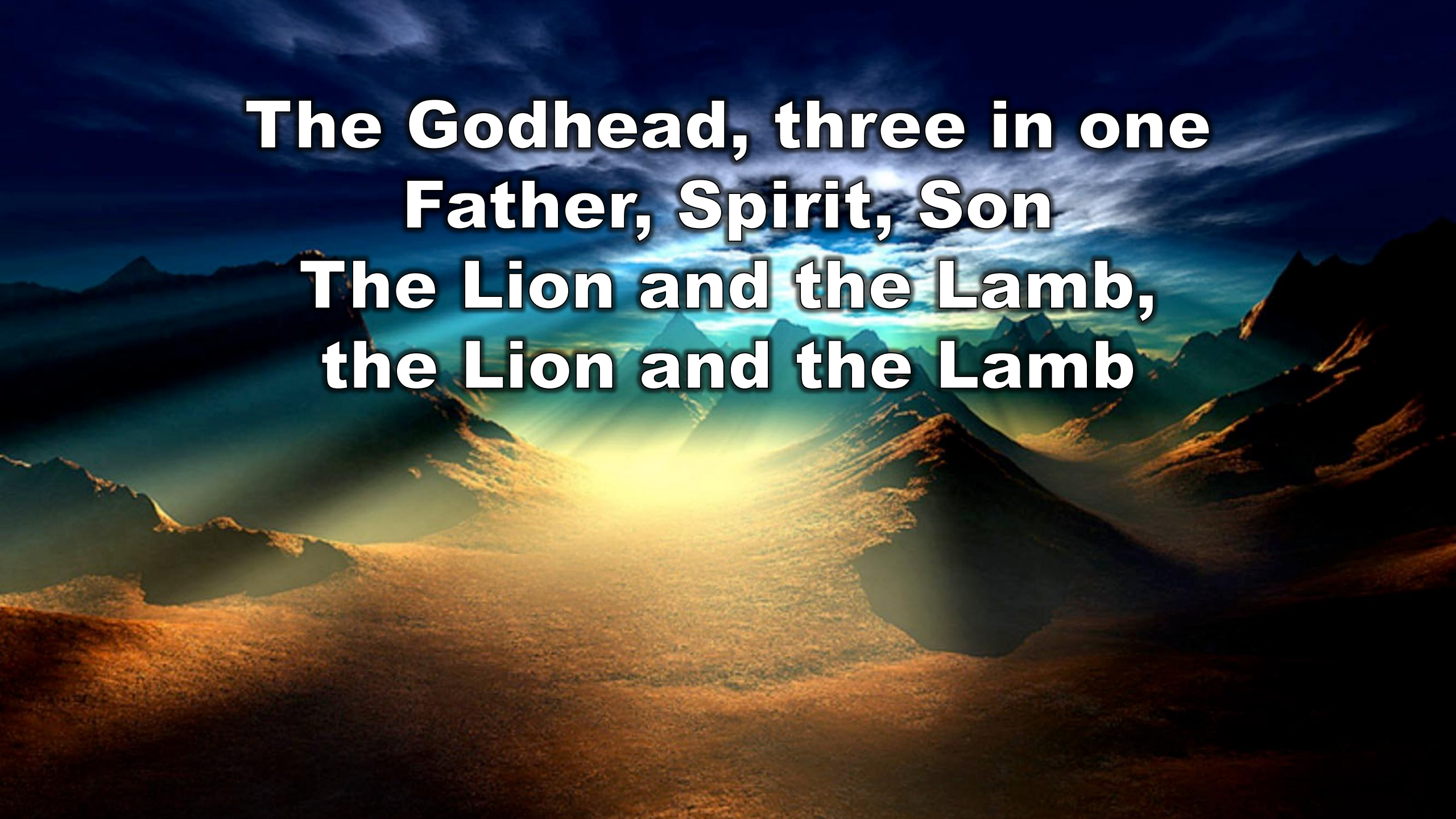


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Sing with me
How great is our God!
And all will see how great,
how great is our God!



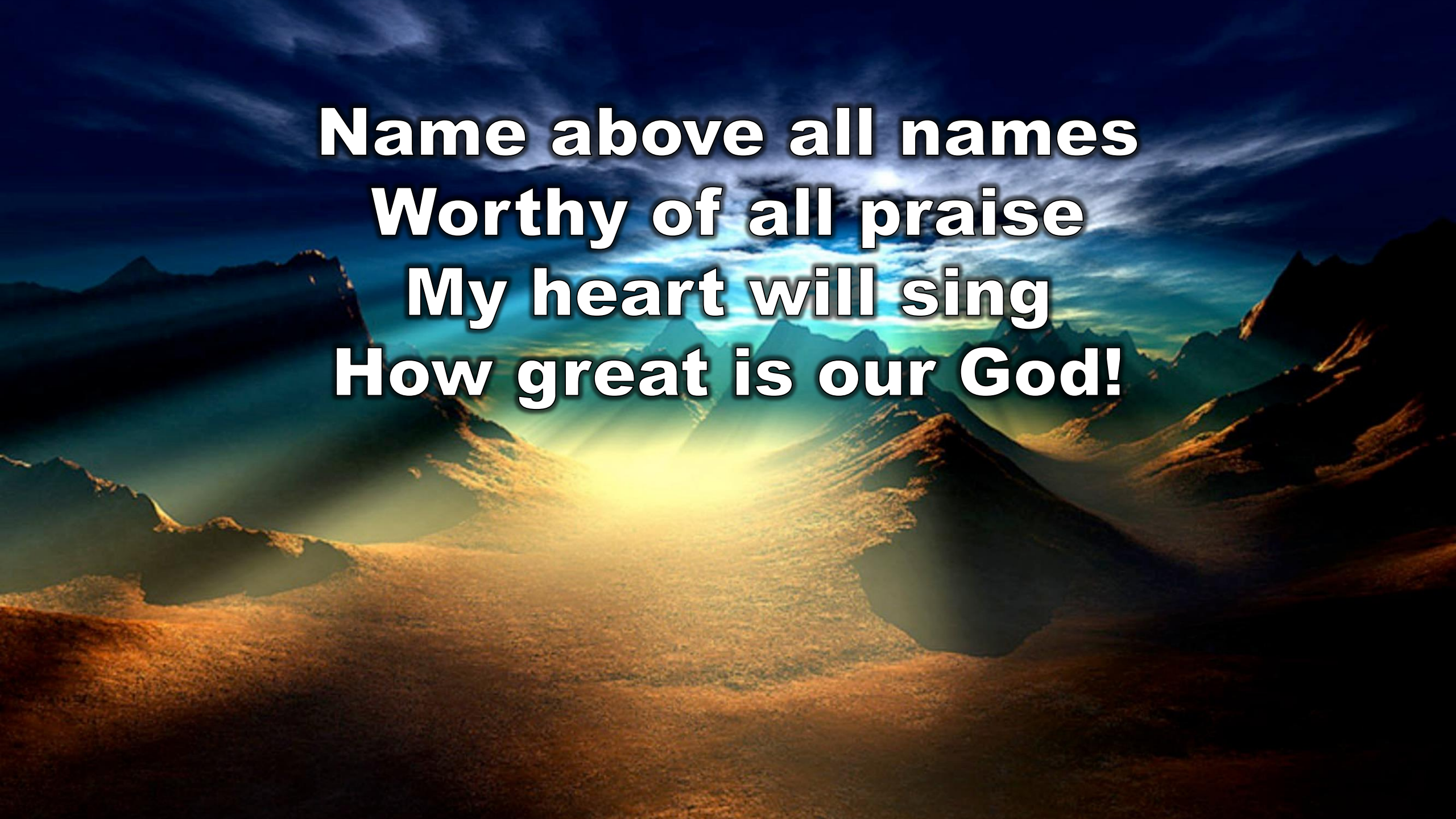
**And age to age He stands
and time is in His hands
Beginning and the End,
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The background of the image is a dramatic landscape. In the center, a bright, glowing light source, possibly the sun or moon, is positioned between two mountain ranges. The light creates a strong lens flare and illuminates the scene. The sky is dark and filled with wispy, blue-tinged clouds. The mountains are rugged and dark, with some peaks catching the light. The foreground is a dark, textured surface, possibly a field or a path, that recedes into the distance towards the light source.

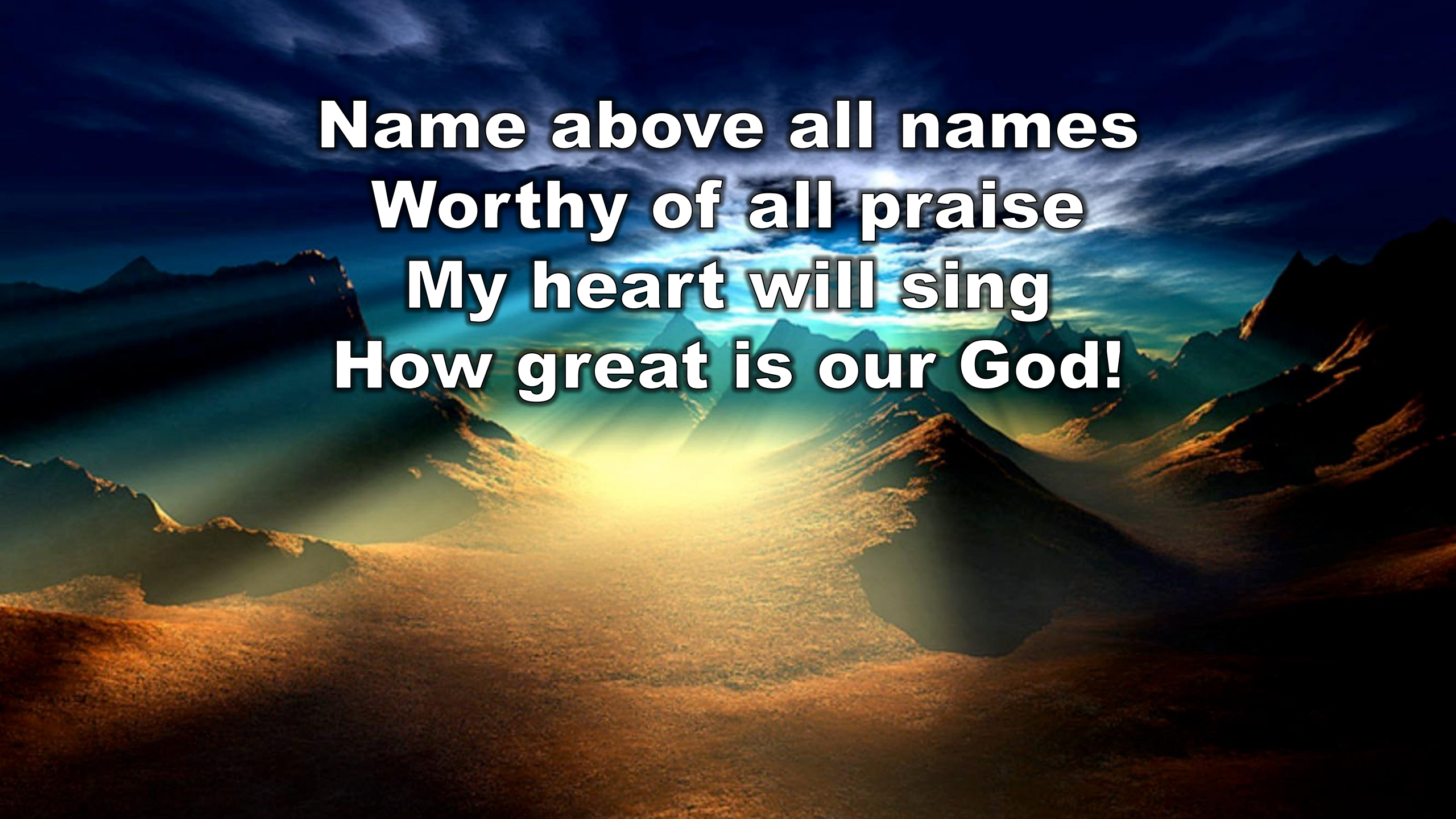
**The Godhead, three in one
Father, Spirit, Son
The Lion and the Lamb,
the Lion and the Lamb**

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**Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God!**



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A dramatic landscape featuring a range of dark, jagged mountains under a deep blue sky with wispy clouds. A bright, golden light source, likely the sun or moon, is positioned behind the mountains, creating a strong backlighting effect and illuminating the foreground with a warm, golden glow. The foreground consists of a textured, brownish-gold surface, possibly a field or a path, that stretches towards the mountains.

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