

GENERATIONAL VISION



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1. GOD SAYS YOU ARE NEEDED.

“But not one has done so who has a remnant of the Spirit. And what did that one do while he was seeking a godly offspring?”... vs. 15a

“You have said, ‘It is useless to serve God. It did no good to obey his laws. And it did no good to show the Lord of Heaven’s armies that we are sorry for what we did. So we say that proud people are happy. Evil people succeed. They challenge God and get away with it.’”

Mal. 3:14 (ICB)

When dad is absent:

Twice the risk of infant mortality.

4 times greater risk of living in poverty.

More likely to commit crime.

More likely they will go to prison. (They comprise 80% of the prison population.)

More likely to abuse drugs and alcohol.

More likely to experience abuse or neglect.

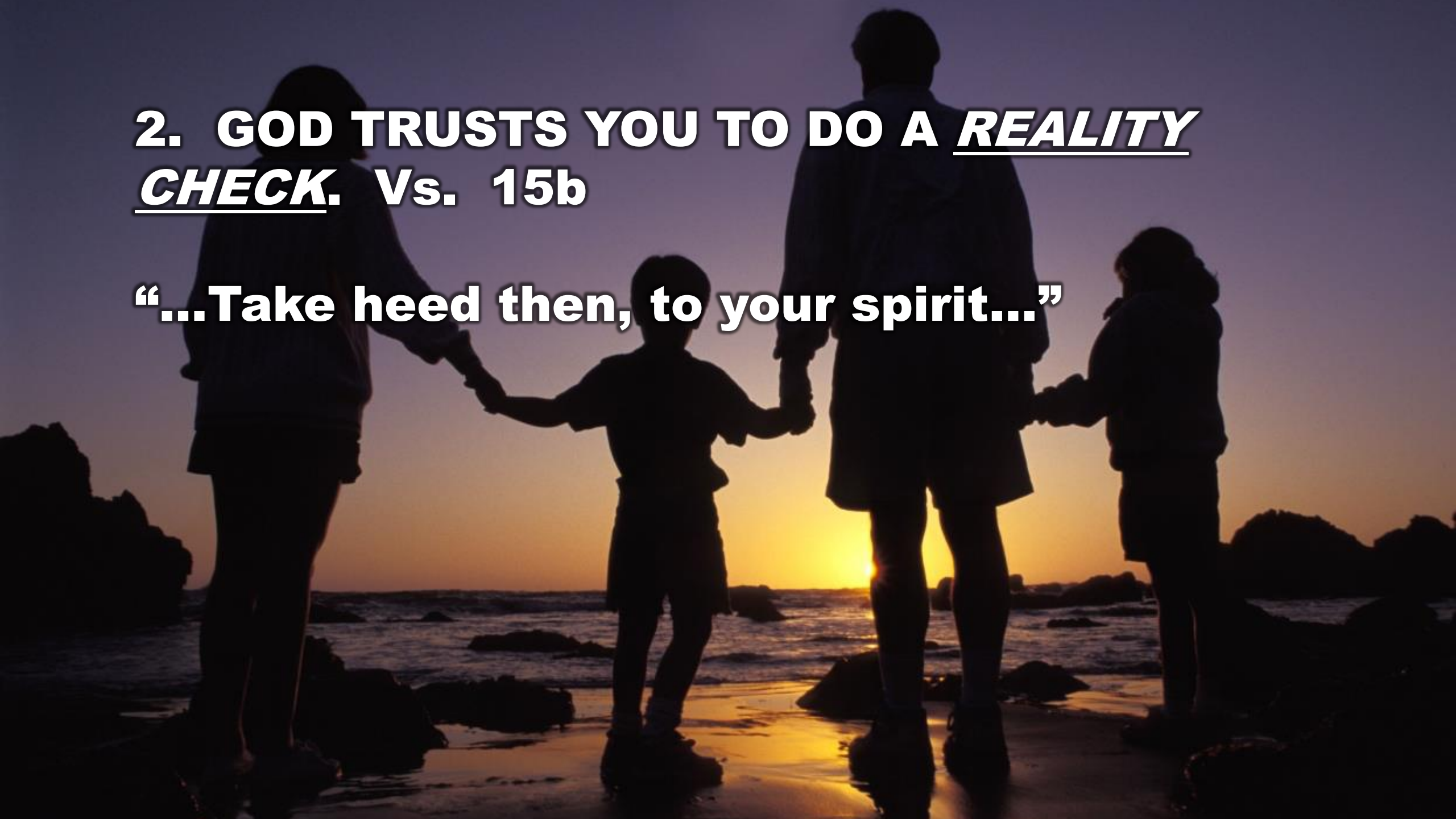
More likely to be the kid in school that is a behavioral problem.

Twice as likely to become obese.

Twice as likely to drop out of school.

7 times the likelihood of teen pregnancy.

“Faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see.” Heb. 11:1 (NLT)

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**2. GOD TRUSTS YOU TO DO A REALITY
CHECK. Vs. 15b**

“...Take heed then, to your spirit...”

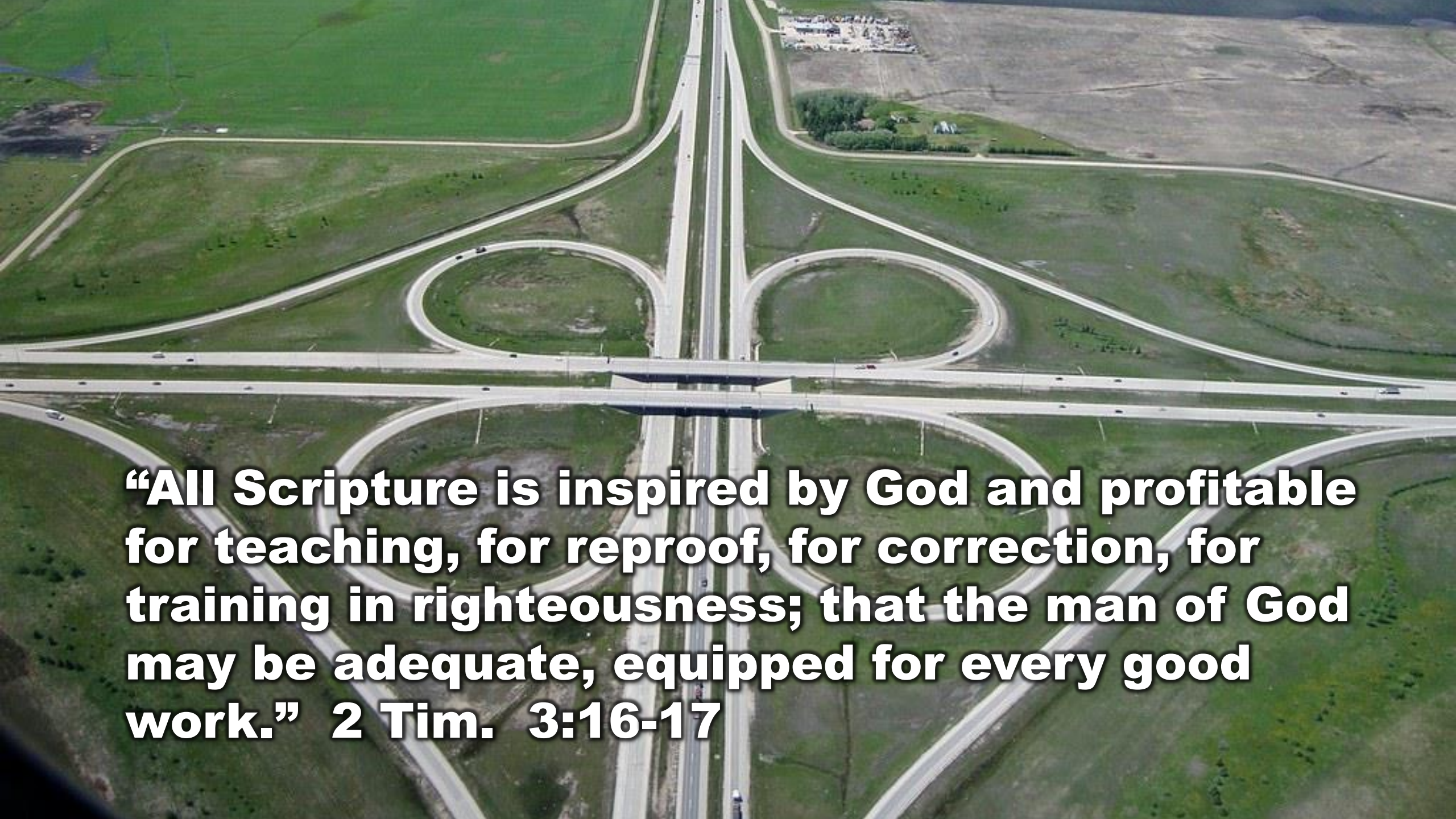
“Watch over your heart with all diligence, for from it flow the springs of life.” Prov. 4:23

Invite God to expose the reality within you.

“Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me and know my anxious thoughts; and see if there be any hurtful way in me, and lead me in the everlasting way.” Ps. 139:23-24

Ask the Lord to change you wherever needed.

Ask the Lord to speak in a personal way thru His word.

An aerial photograph of a large, multi-level highway interchange. The interchange features several overpasses and ramps that create a complex, symmetrical pattern of roads. The surrounding landscape is a mix of green grass and brown, cleared land. The text is overlaid on the lower half of the image.

“All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.” 2 Tim. 3:16-17

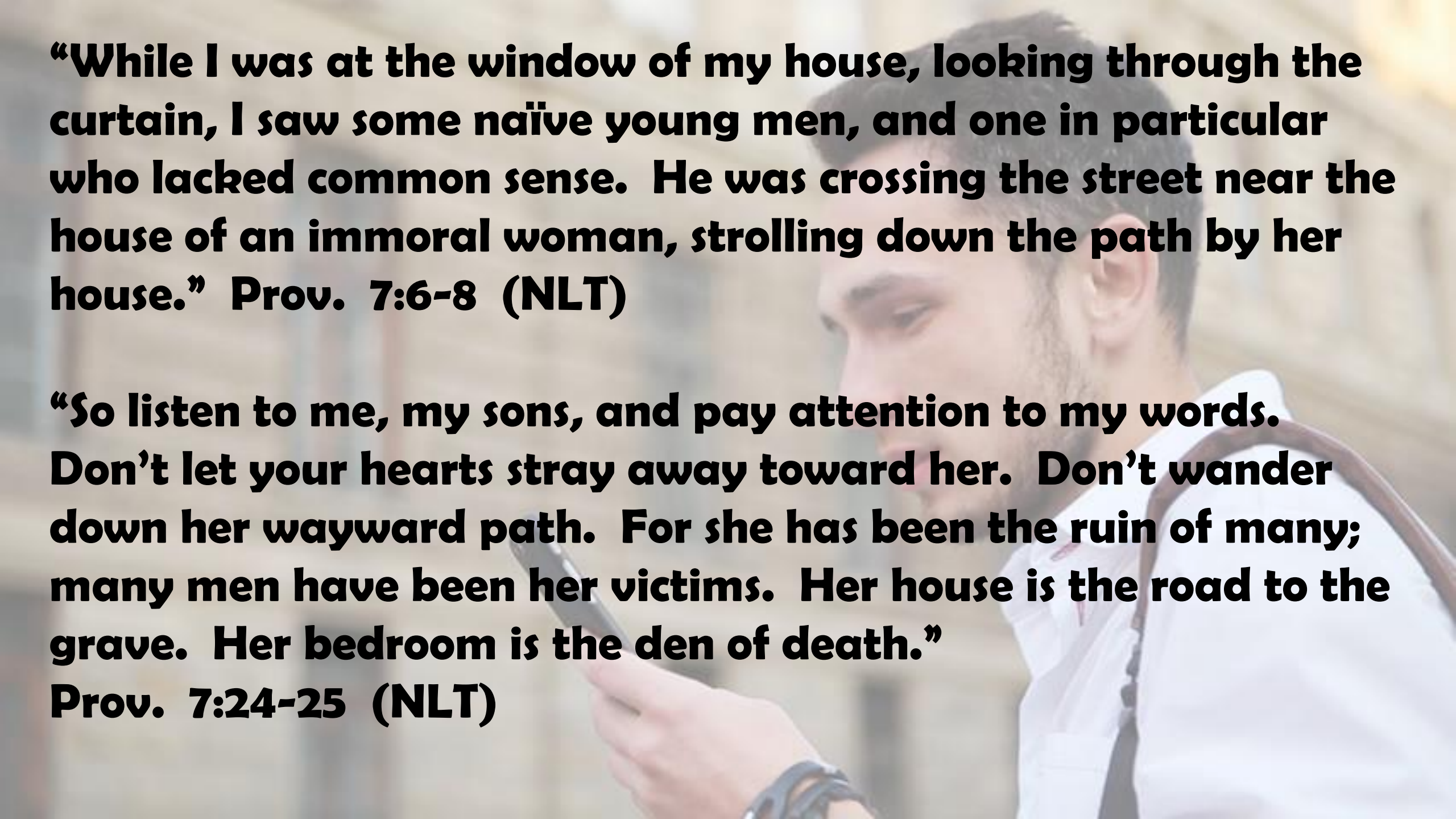
A silhouette of a family of four (a woman, a child, a man, and another woman) standing on a beach at sunset, holding hands. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm orange glow. The family is positioned in the foreground, with the ocean and rocks behind them.

**3. GOD ASKS YOU TO MIRROR HIS
FAITHFUL LOVE.**

**“...and let no one deal treacherously
against the wife of your youth.” vs. 15c**

“Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her.” Eph. 5:25

“For this cause a man shall leave his father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife; and the two shall become one flesh. This mystery is great; but I am speaking with reference to Christ and the church.” Eph. 5:31-32

A young man with dark hair and a beard, wearing a white dress shirt and a dark tie, is looking down at a smartphone in his hands. The background is a blurred outdoor setting.

“While I was at the window of my house, looking through the curtain, I saw some naïve young men, and one in particular who lacked common sense. He was crossing the street near the house of an immoral woman, strolling down the path by her house.” Prov. 7:6-8 (NLT)

“So listen to me, my sons, and pay attention to my words. Don’t let your hearts stray away toward her. Don’t wander down her wayward path. For she has been the ruin of many; many men have been her victims. Her house is the road to the grave. Her bedroom is the den of death.”

Prov. 7:24-25 (NLT)

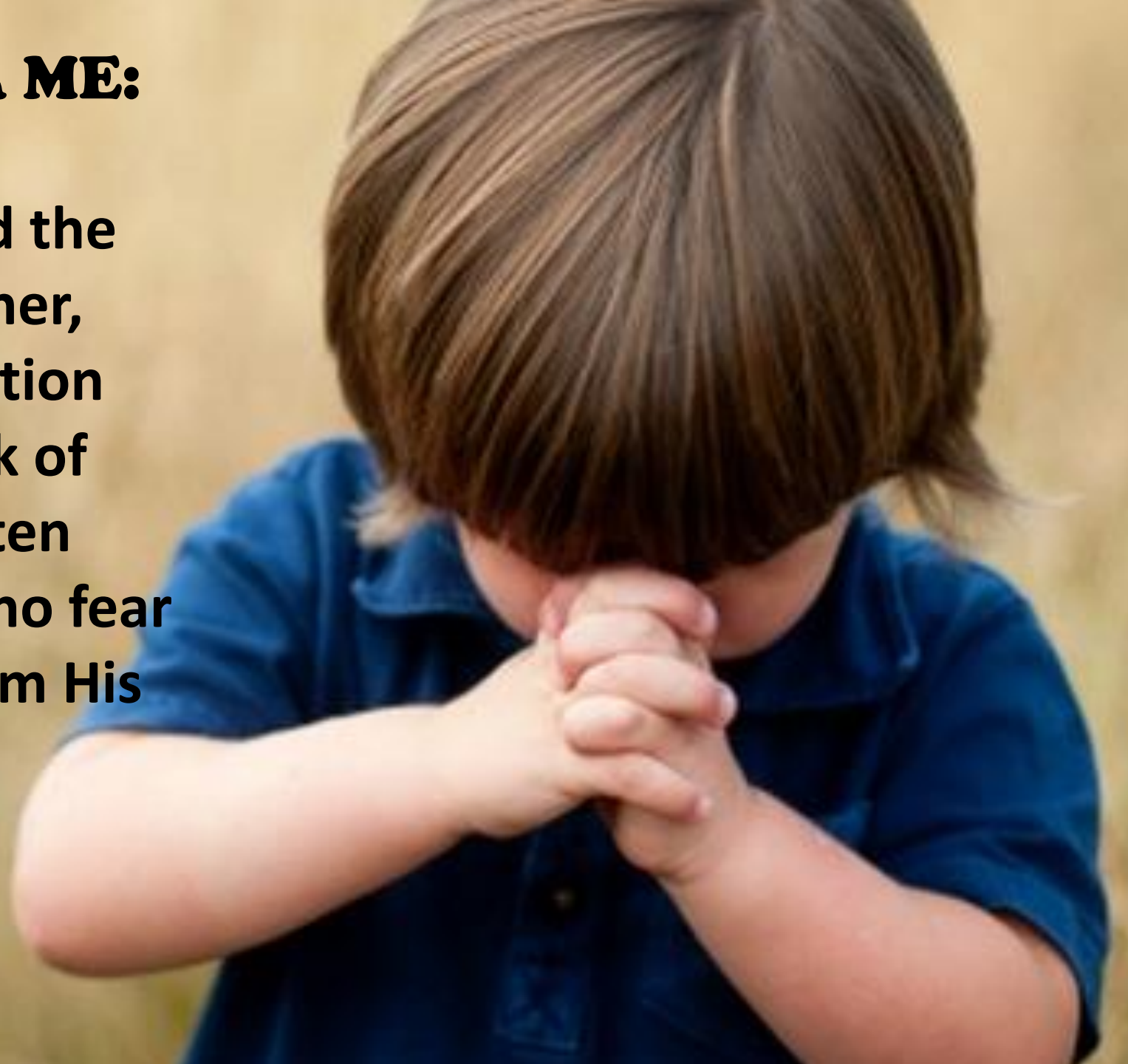


5. GOD LONGS FOR YOUR HONESTY.

“‘For I hate divorce,’ says the Lord, the God of Israel, ‘and him who covers his garment with wrong,’ says the Lord of hosts. ‘So take heed to your spirit, that you do not deal treacherously.’” vs. 16

APPLICATION FOR ME:

“Then those who feared the Lord spoke to one another, and the Lord gave attention and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before Him for those who fear the Lord and who esteem His name.” Mal. 3:16



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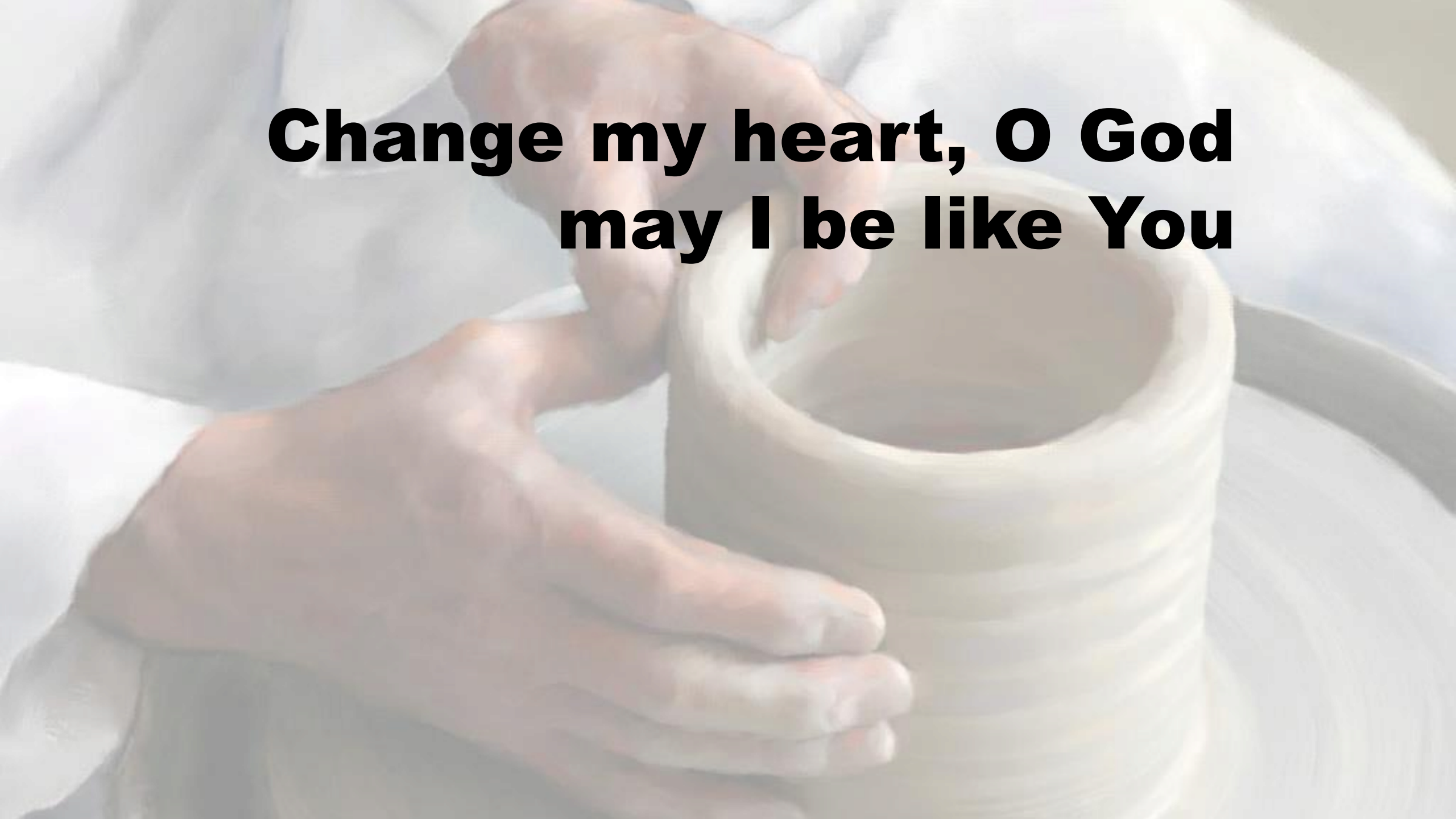
A close-up photograph of a person's hands shaping a clay pot on a pottery wheel. The hands are positioned to guide the clay as it rotates. The background is a soft, out-of-focus white surface.

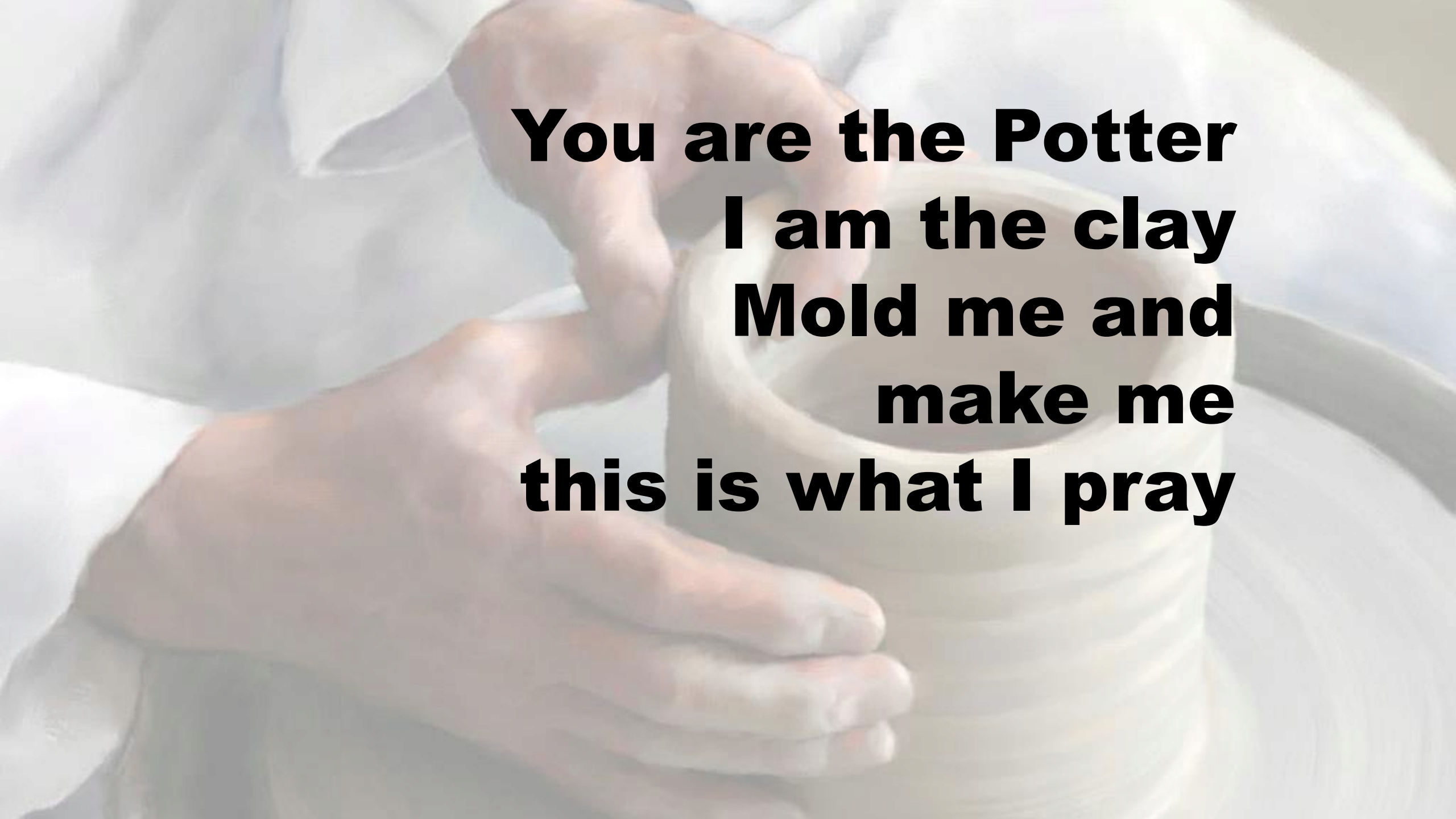
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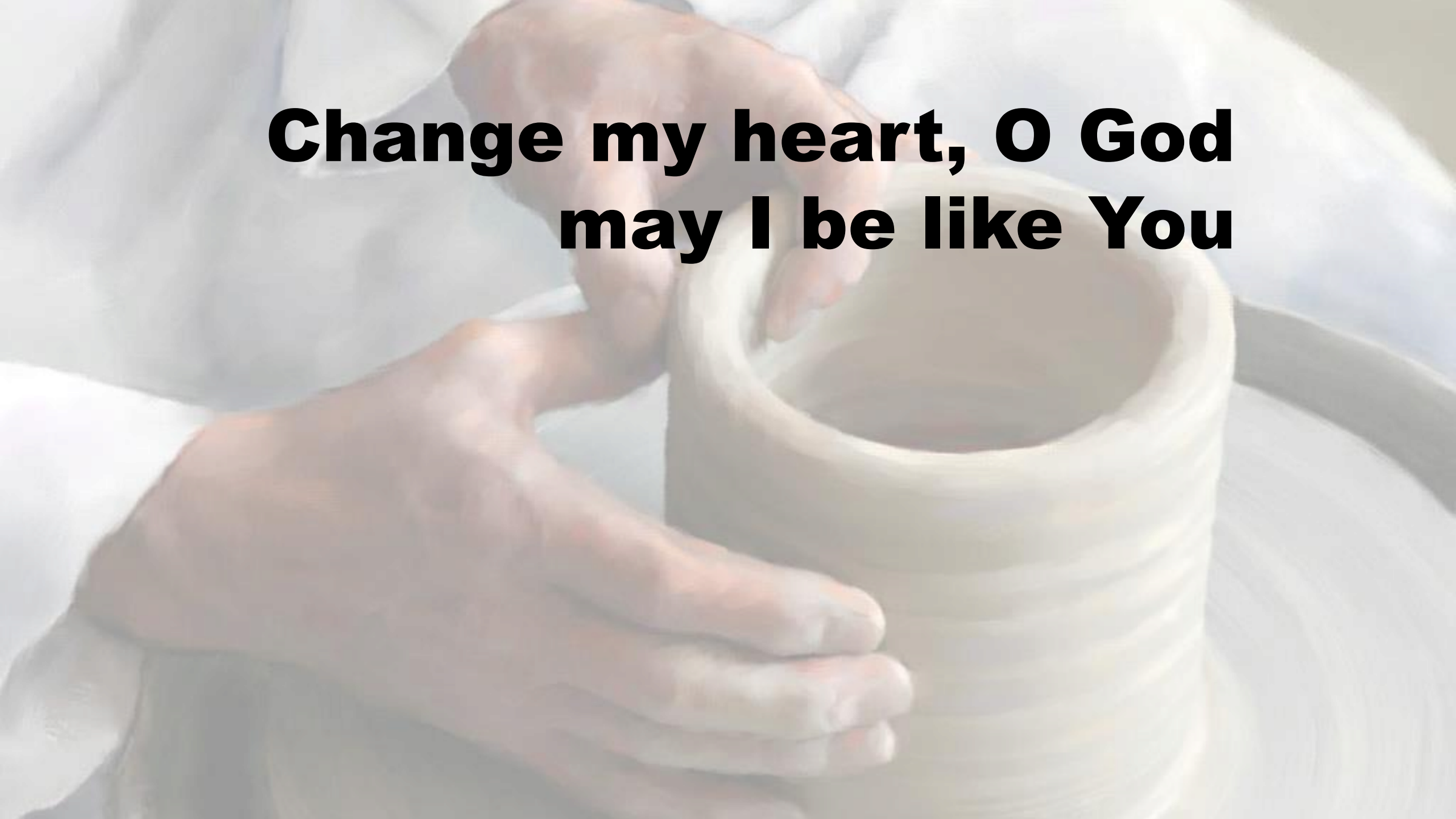
A close-up photograph of a person's hands shaping a piece of light-colored clay on a pottery wheel. The person is wearing a white long-sleeved shirt. The background is a plain, light-colored surface. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

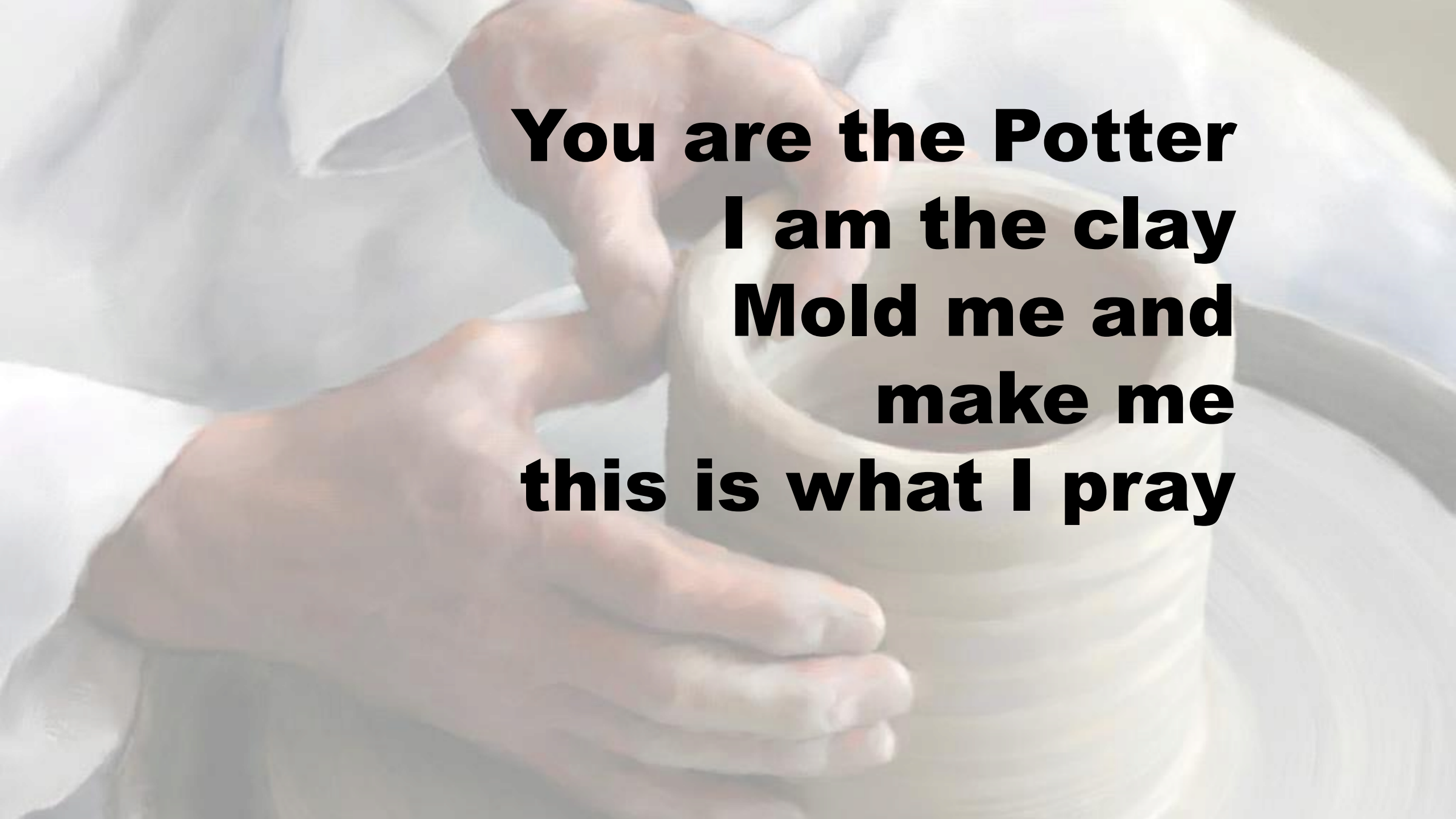
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