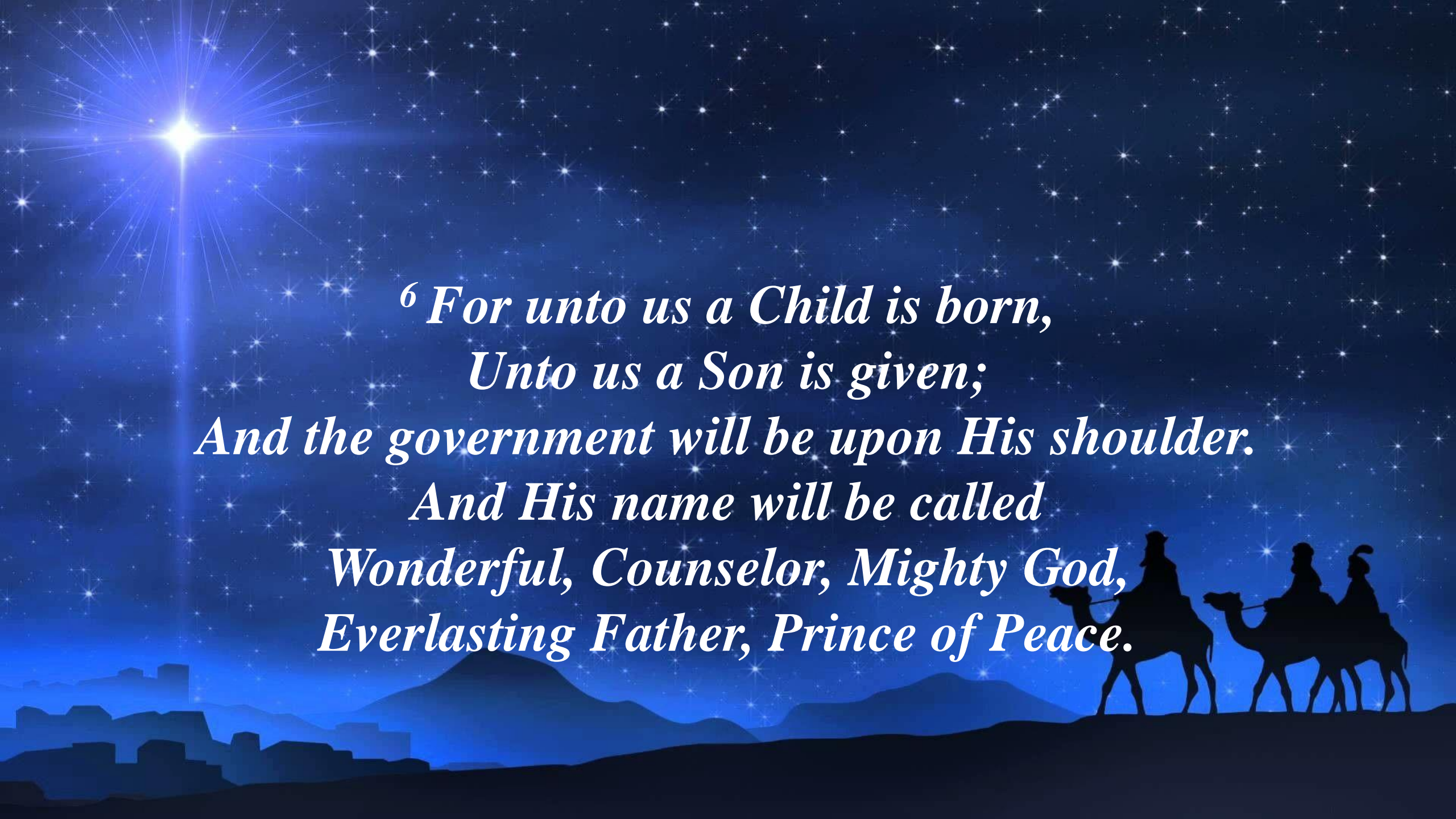


The Beauty of Christmas

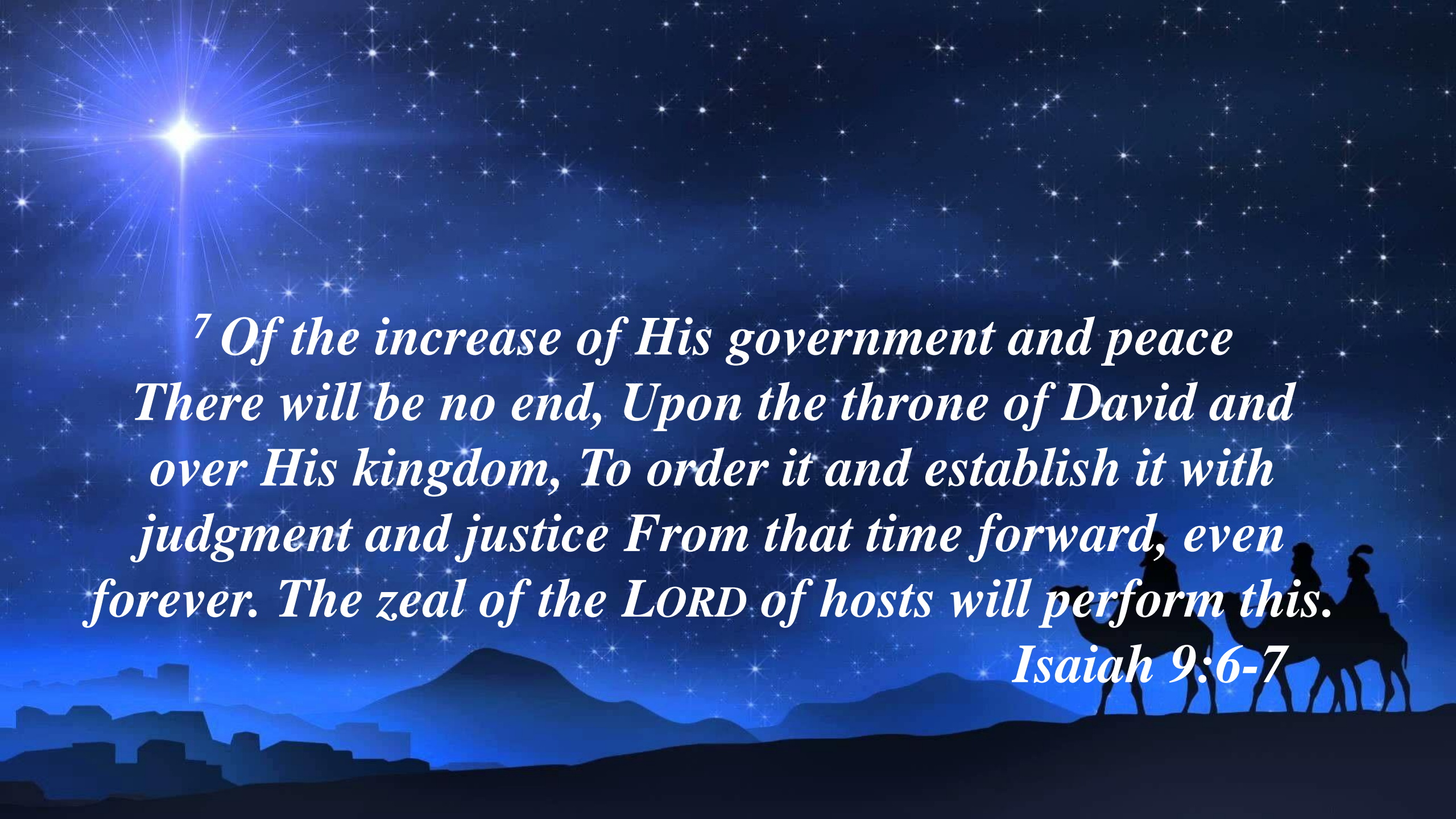


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*⁶ For unto us a Child is born,
Unto us a Son is given;
And the government will be upon His shoulder.
And His name will be called
Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.*



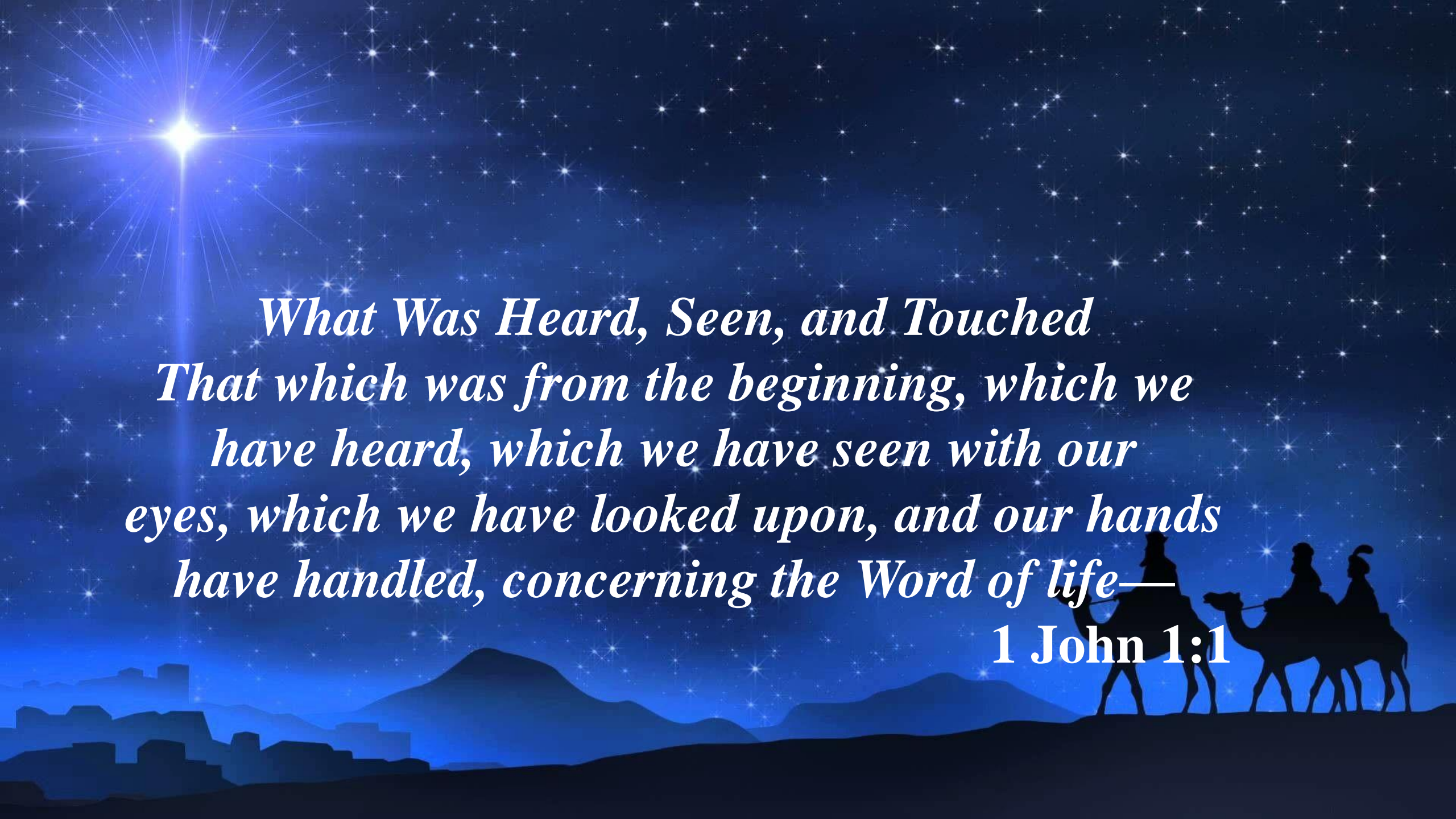
*⁷ Of the increase of His government and peace
There will be no end, Upon the throne of David and
over His kingdom, To order it and establish it with
judgment and justice From that time forward, even
forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.*

Isaiah 9:6-7

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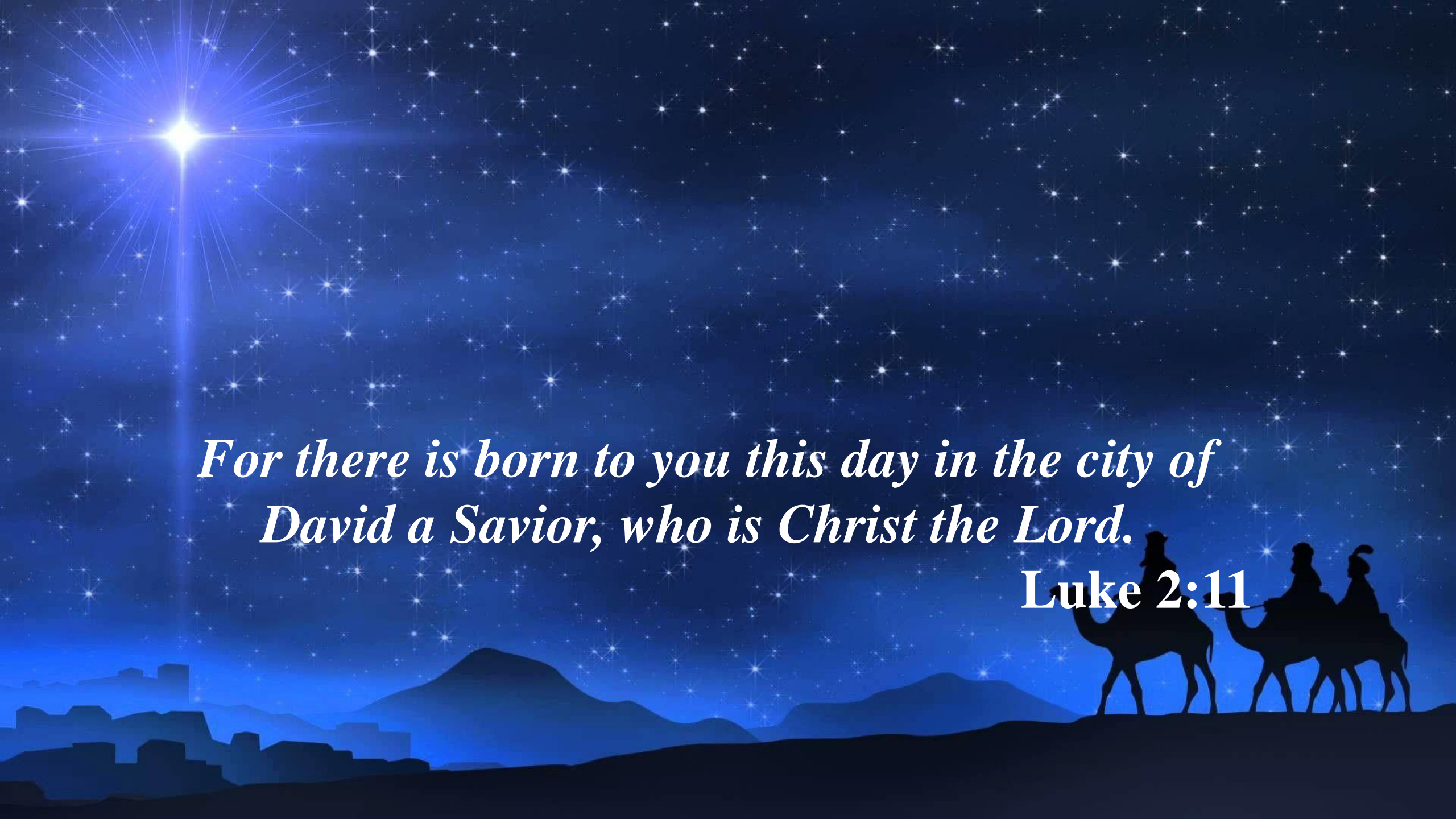
*²⁰ He indeed was foreordained before the
foundation of the world, but was manifest in these
last times for you*

1 Peter 1:20

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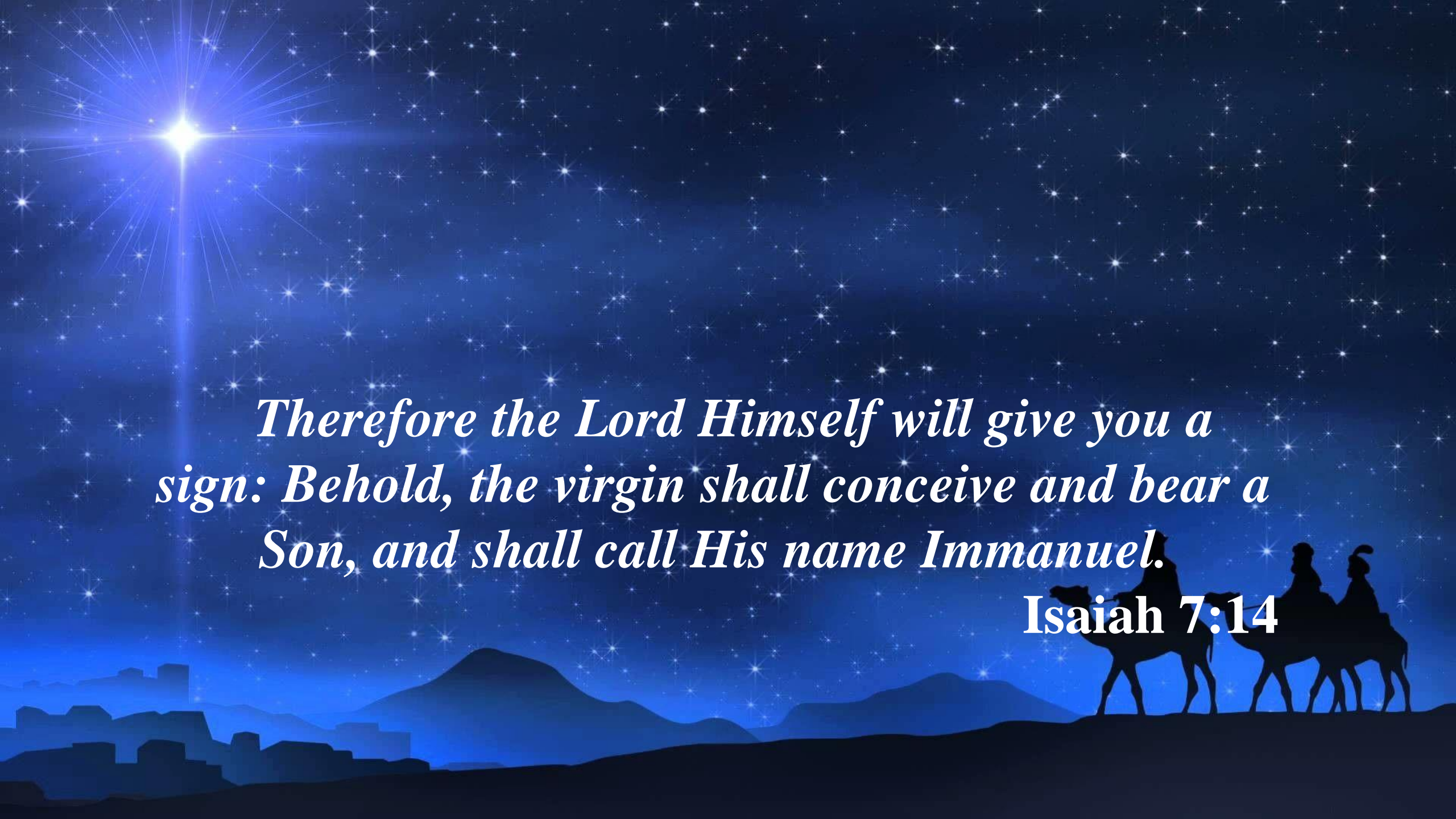
*What Was Heard, Seen, and Touched
That which was from the beginning, which we
have heard, which we have seen with our
eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands
have handled, concerning the Word of life—*

1 John 1:1

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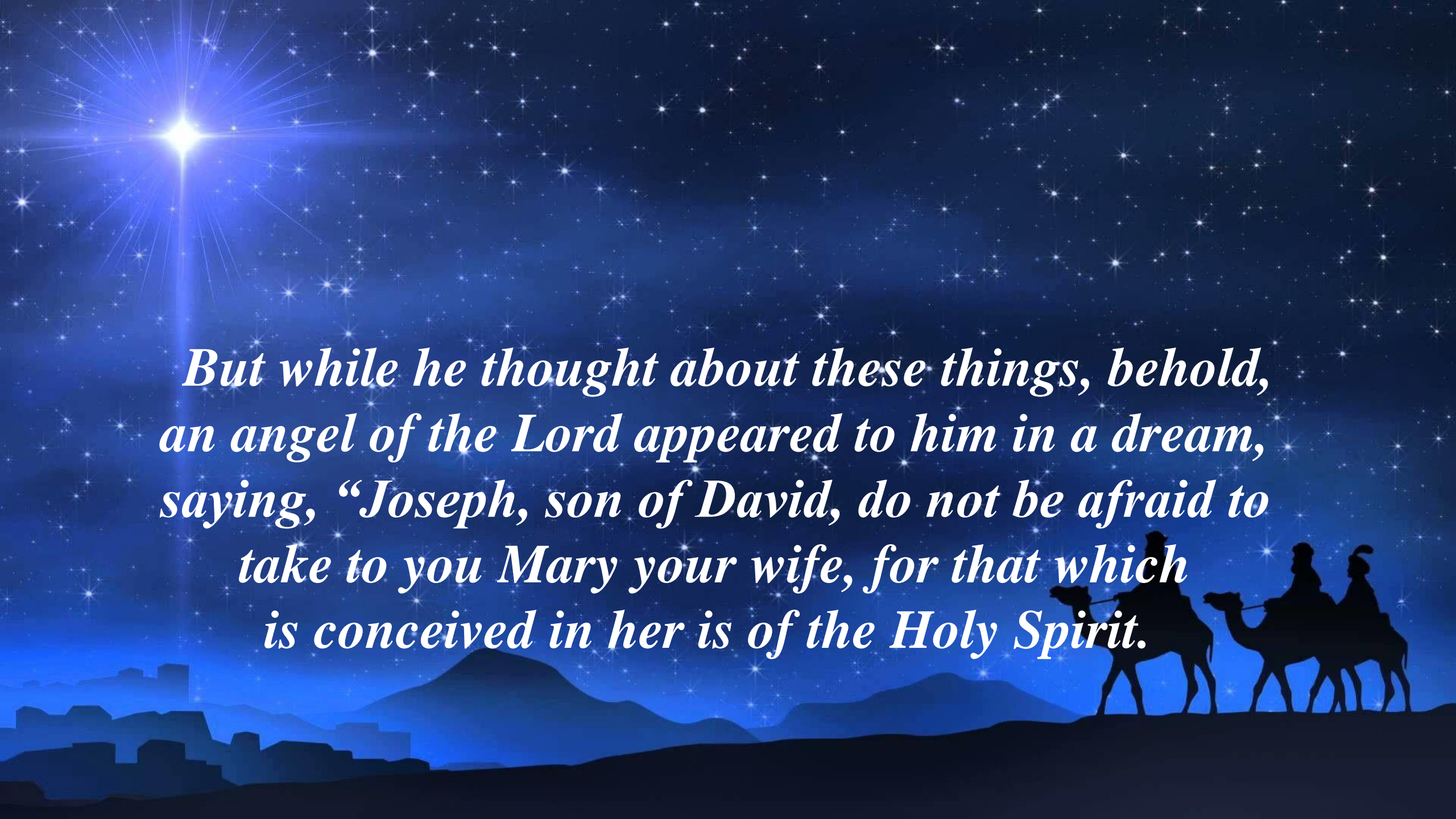
*For there is born to you this day in the city of
David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.*

Luke 2:11

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Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.

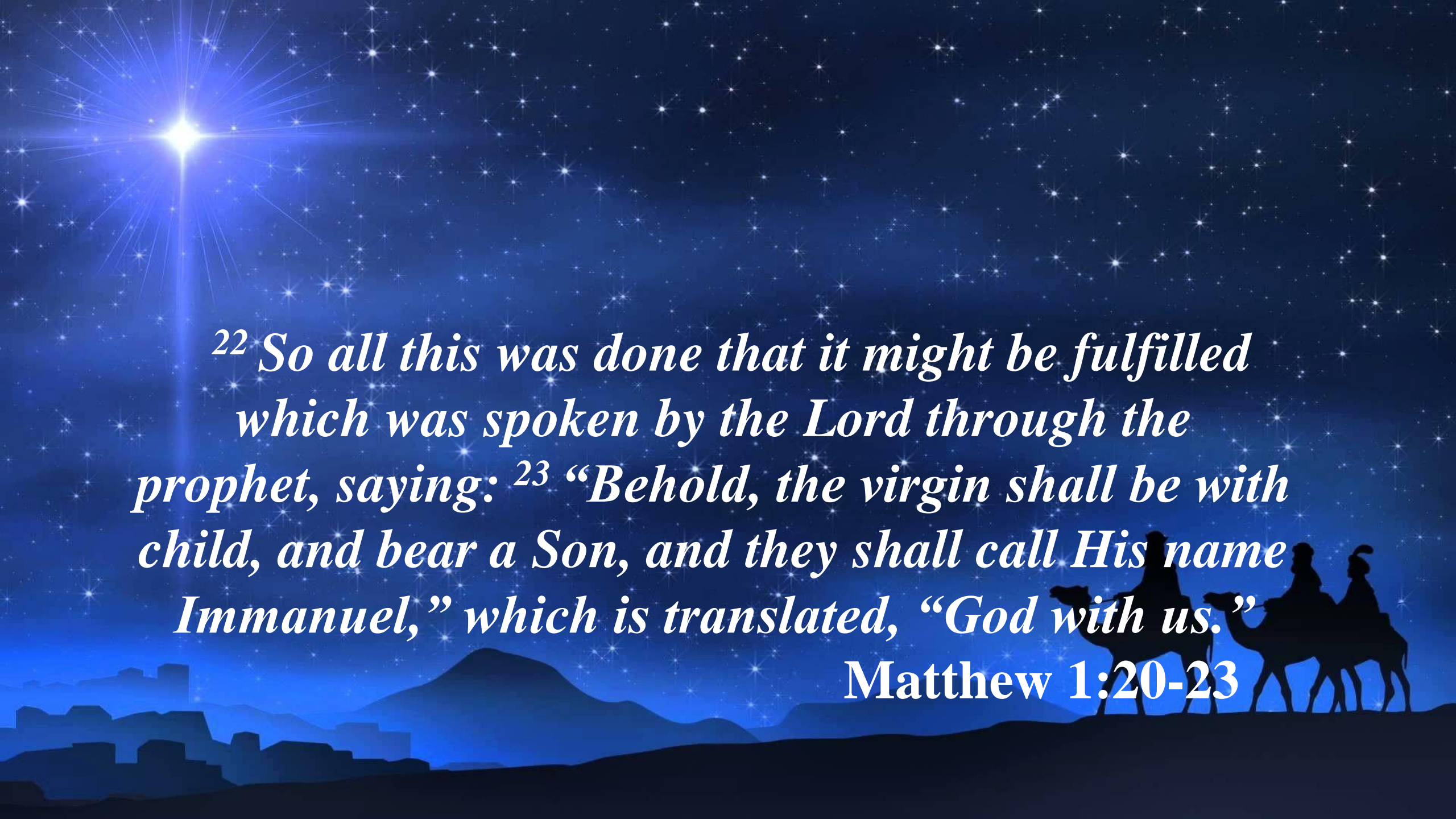
Isaiah 7:14

A night sky filled with stars, with a prominent bright star in the upper left corner. In the lower right, the silhouettes of three figures riding camels are visible against the dark blue background. The overall scene is set against a backdrop of a city silhouette on the left and rolling hills at the bottom.

But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit.

And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins.”



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²² So all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying: ²³ “Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel,” which is translated, “God with us.”

Matthew 1:20-23

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*The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son
of David, the Son of Abraham:*

*² Abraham begot Isaac, Isaac begot Jacob, and
Jacob begot Judah and his brothers.*

Matthew 1:1-2



*...A Star shall come out of Jacob;
a Scepter shall rise out of Israel...*

Numbers 24:17

...The scepter shall not depart from Judah...

Genesis 49:10



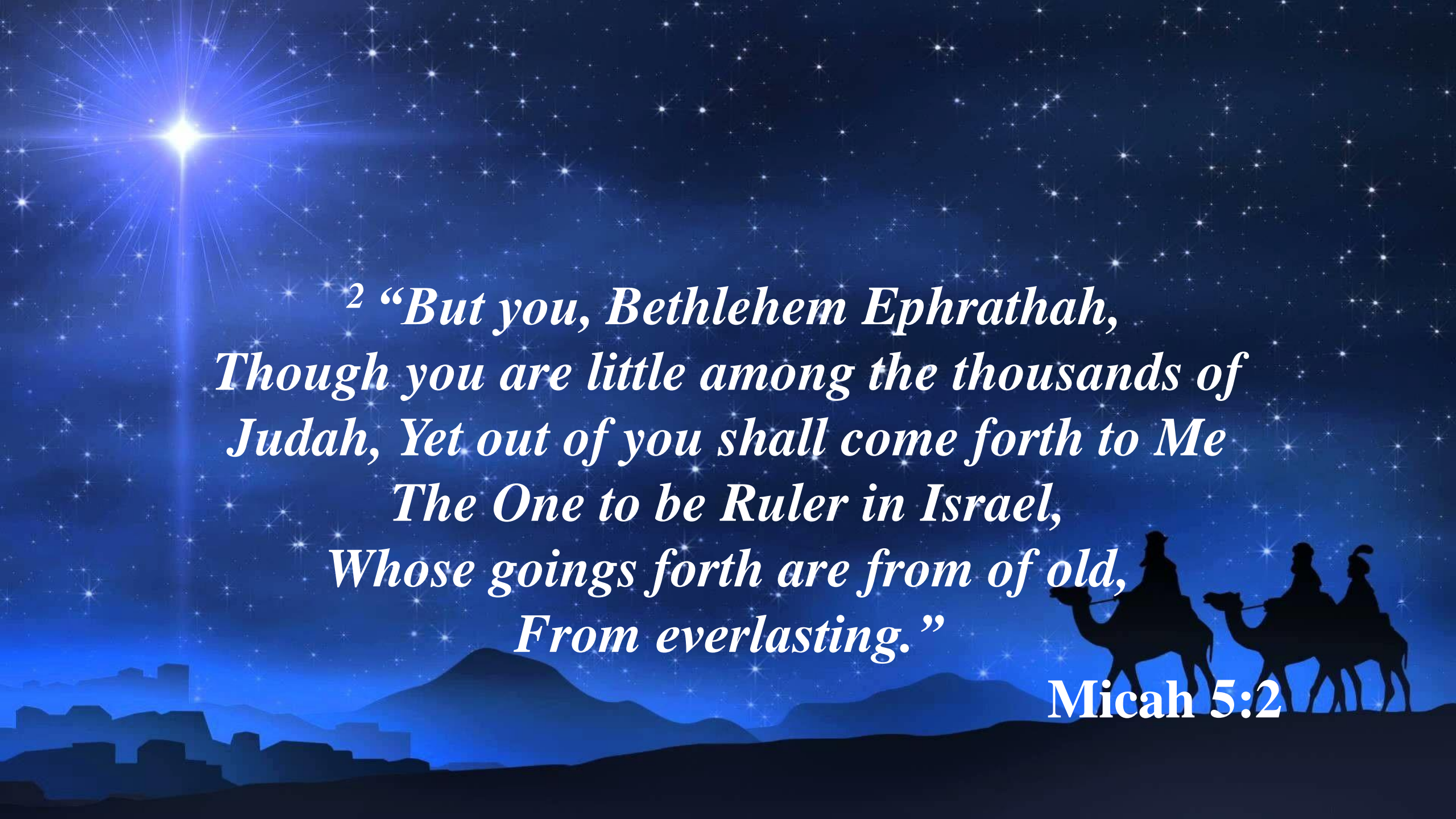
31 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name JESUS. 32 He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David.



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³³ And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end.”

Luke 1:31-33

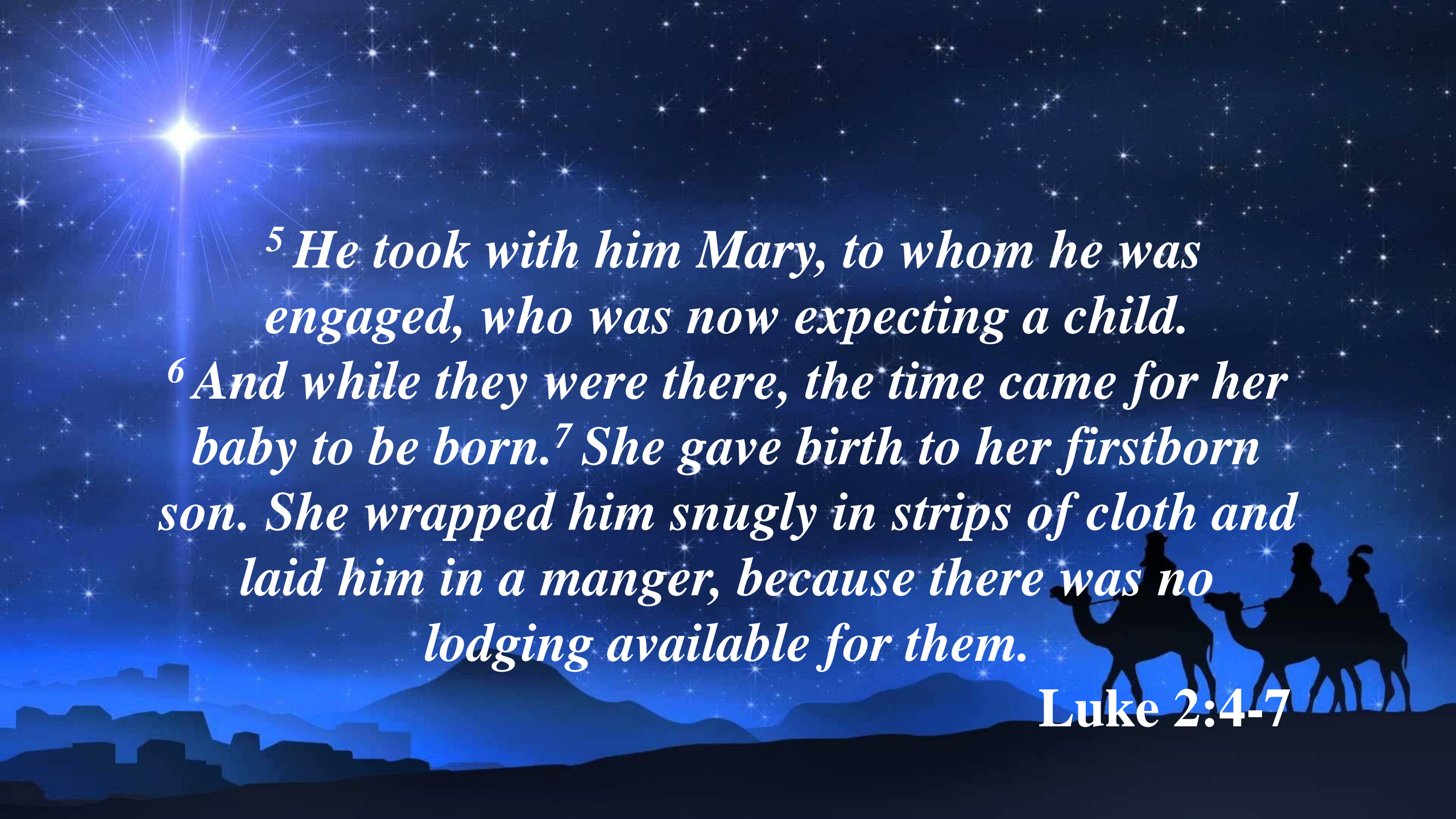


*² “But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah,
Though you are little among the thousands of
Judah, Yet out of you shall come forth to Me
The One to be Ruler in Israel,
Whose goings forth are from of old,
From everlasting.”*

Micah 5:2

⁴ And because Joseph was a descendant of King David, he had to go to Bethlehem in Judea, David's ancient home. He traveled there from the village of Nazareth in Galilee.

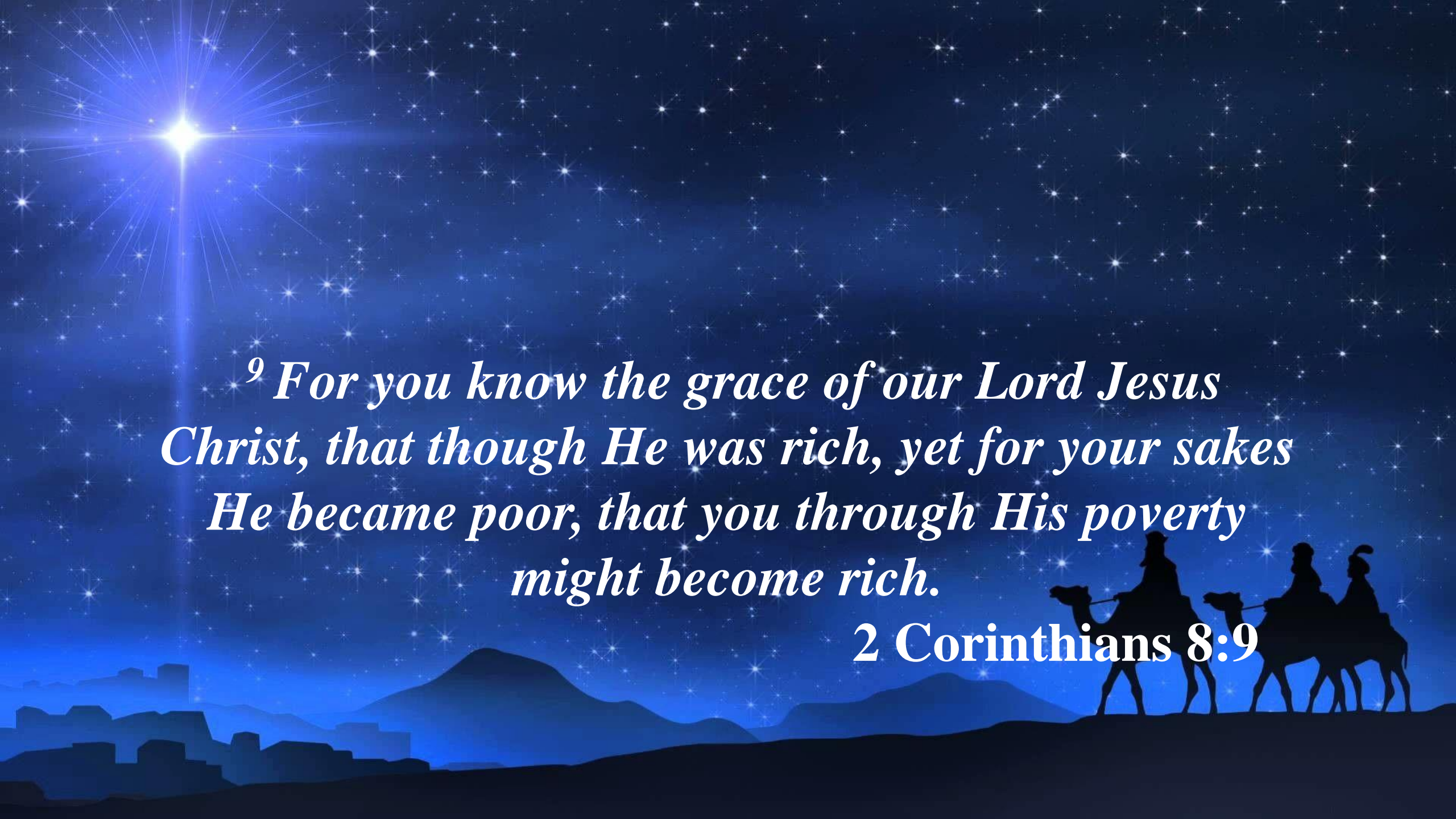




*⁵ He took with him Mary, to whom he was engaged, who was now expecting a child.
⁶ And while they were there, the time came for her baby to be born.⁷ She gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him snugly in strips of cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no lodging available for them.*

Luke 2:4-7



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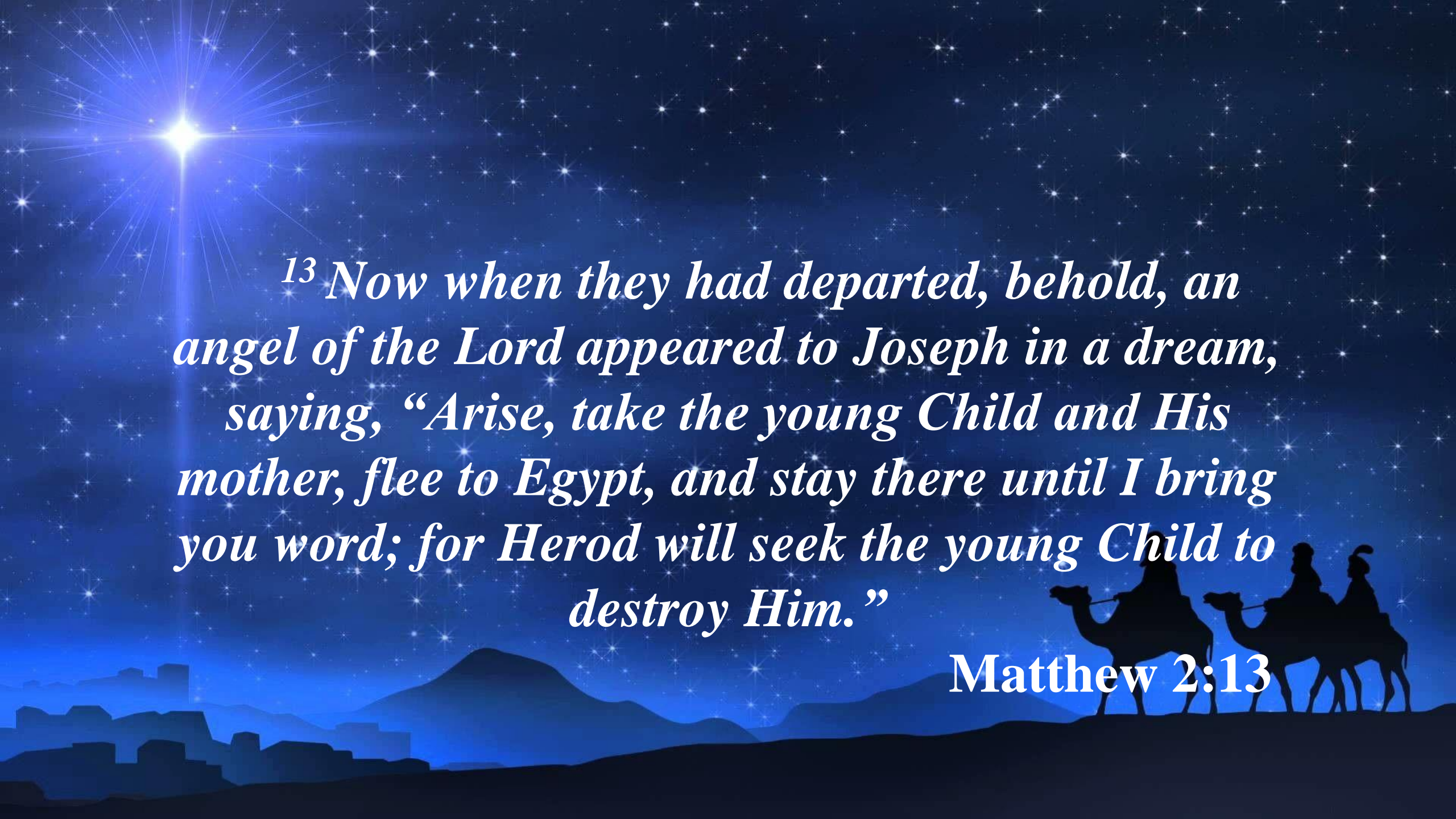
⁹ For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich.

2 Corinthians 8:9

³ When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

Matthew 2:3



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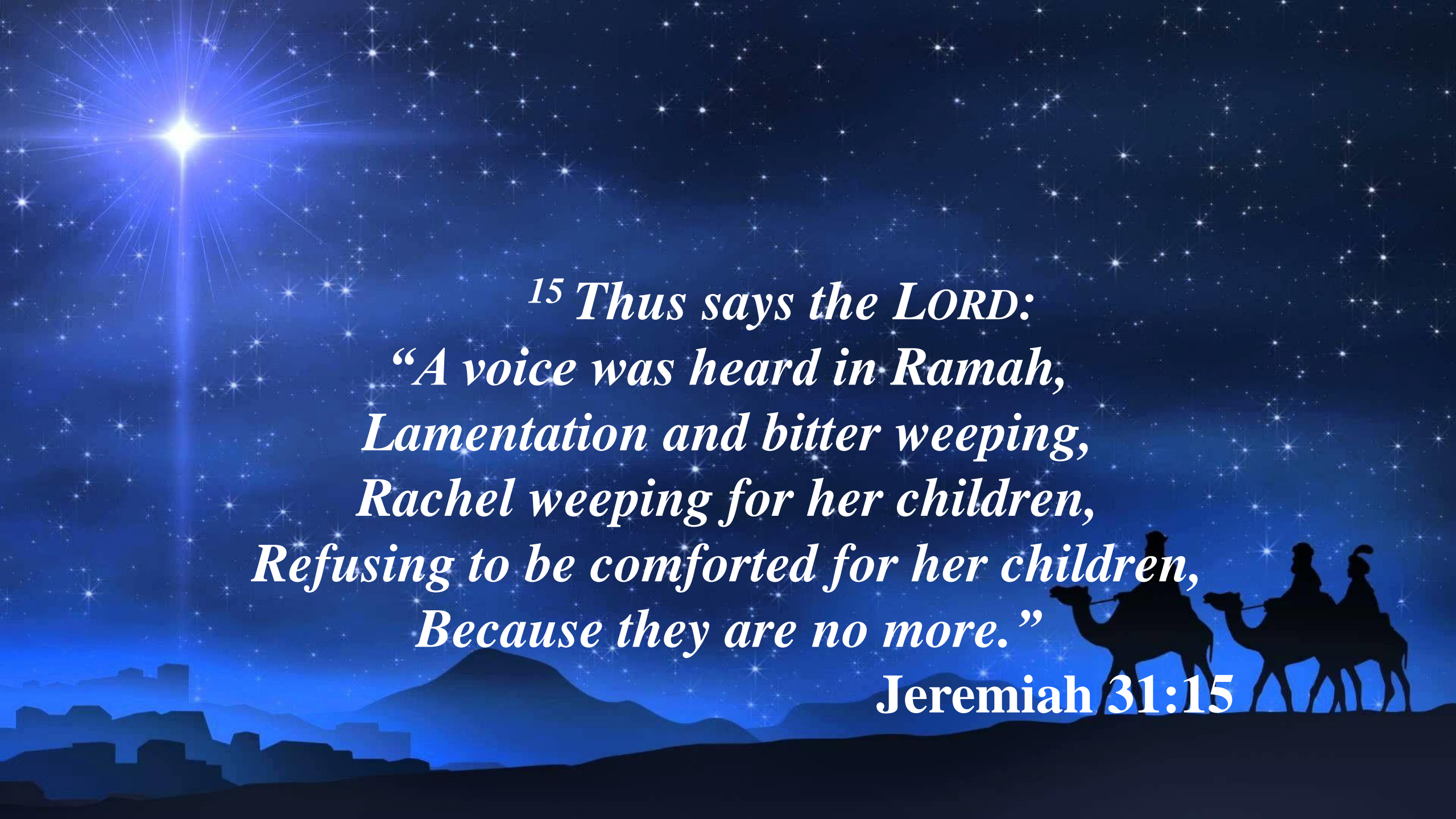
13 Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, “Arise, take the young Child and His mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I bring you word; for Herod will seek the young Child to destroy Him.”

Matthew 2:13



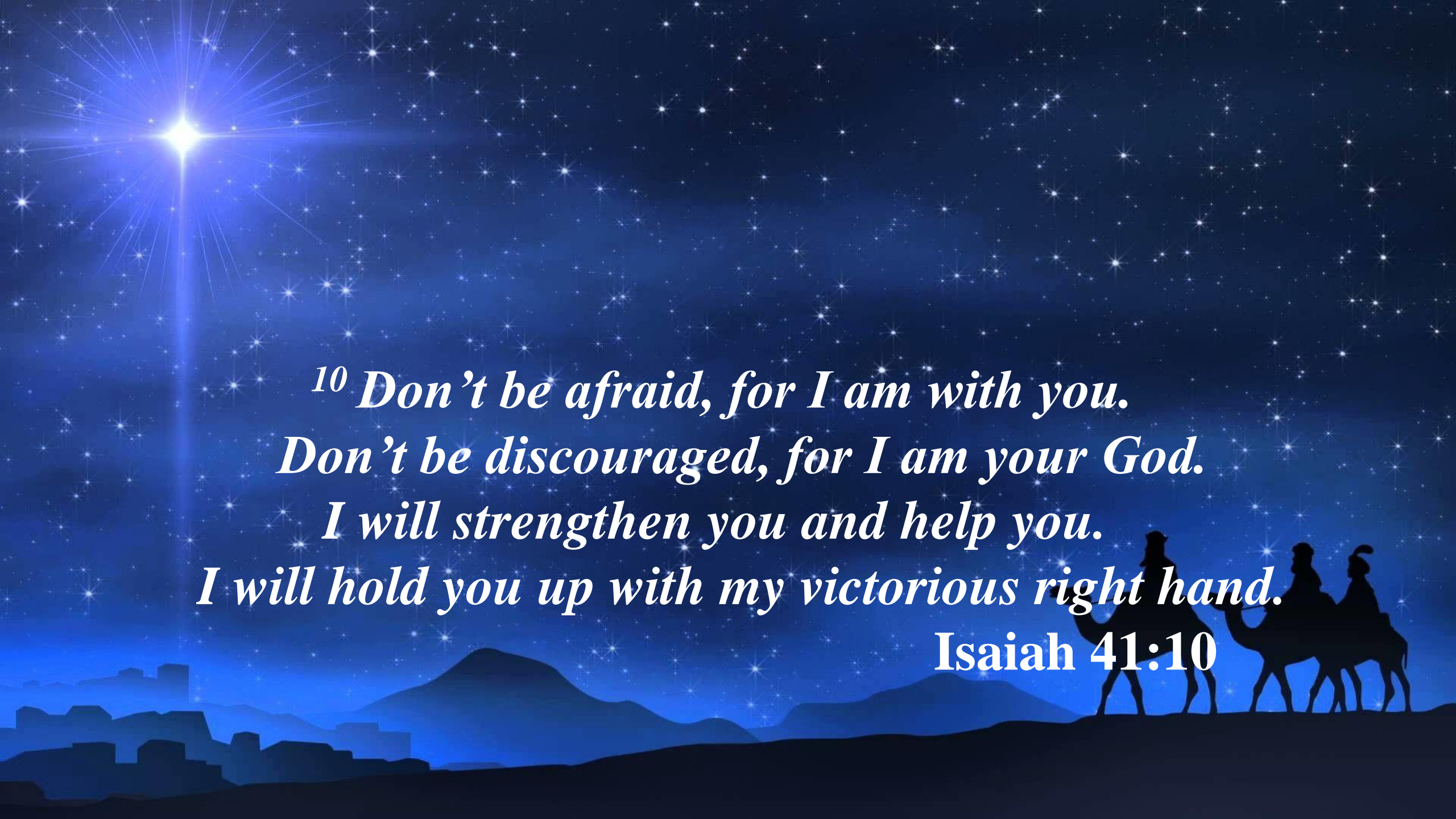
*11 “When Israel was a child, I loved him,
And out of Egypt I called My son.*

Hosea 11:1

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*¹⁵ Thus says the LORD:
“A voice was heard in Ramah,
Lamentation and bitter weeping,
Rachel weeping for her children,
Refusing to be comforted for her children,
Because they are no more.”*

Jeremiah 31:15



*¹⁰ Don't be afraid, for I am with you.
Don't be discouraged, for I am your God.
I will strengthen you and help you.
I will hold you up with my victorious right hand.*

Isaiah 41:10