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James 4:1-10

James 3:13 Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good (*kalos)* life, by deeds done in humility.

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Titus 3:1 Remind the people … to be ready to do whatever is good, … 3 At one time we too were foolish, …

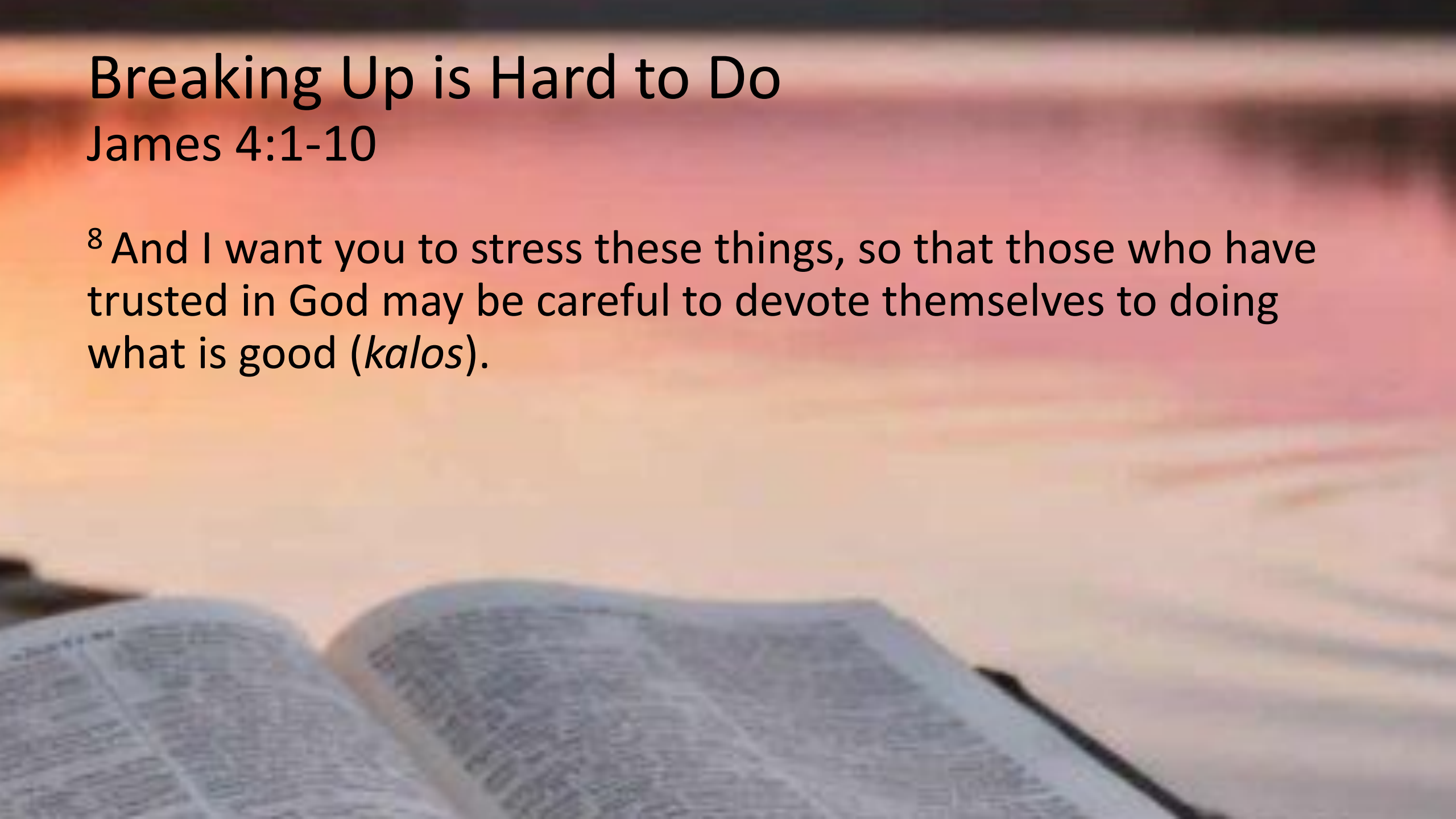
4 But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared,
5 he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. …



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[8] And I want you to stress these things, so that those who have trusted in God may be careful to devote themselves to doing what is good (*kalos*).



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James 4:1 What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don’t they come from your desires that battle within you?

2 You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God. 3 When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.

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4 You adulterous people, don’t you know that friendship with the world means enmity against God? Therefore, anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God.

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- Don’t befriend the world (James 4:4)
- Keep yourself from being polluted by the world (James 1:27)
- Don’t love the world (1 John 2:15-17)
- Don’t conform to this world (Romans 12:2)



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5 Or do you think Scripture says without reason that he jealously
longs for the Spirit he has caused to dwell in us?

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Exodus 34:14 Do not worship any other god, for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God [El-Kanna].

Exodus 20:5 You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, …

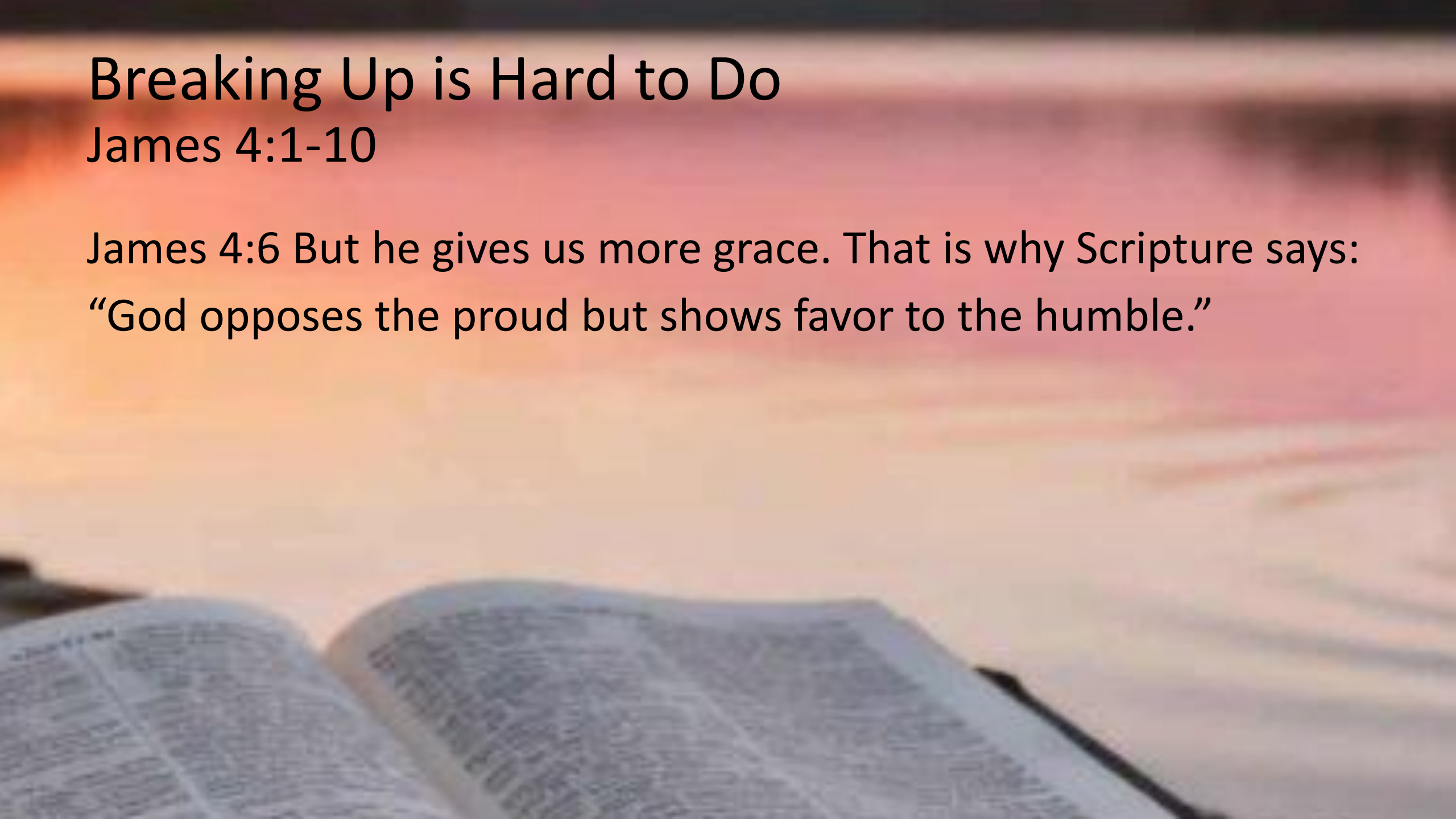


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James 4:6 But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says:

“God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble.”



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7 Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will
flee from you. 8 Come near to God and he will come near to you.
Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you
double-minded. 9 Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter
to mourning and your joy to gloom. 10 Humble yourselves before
the Lord, and he will lift you up.