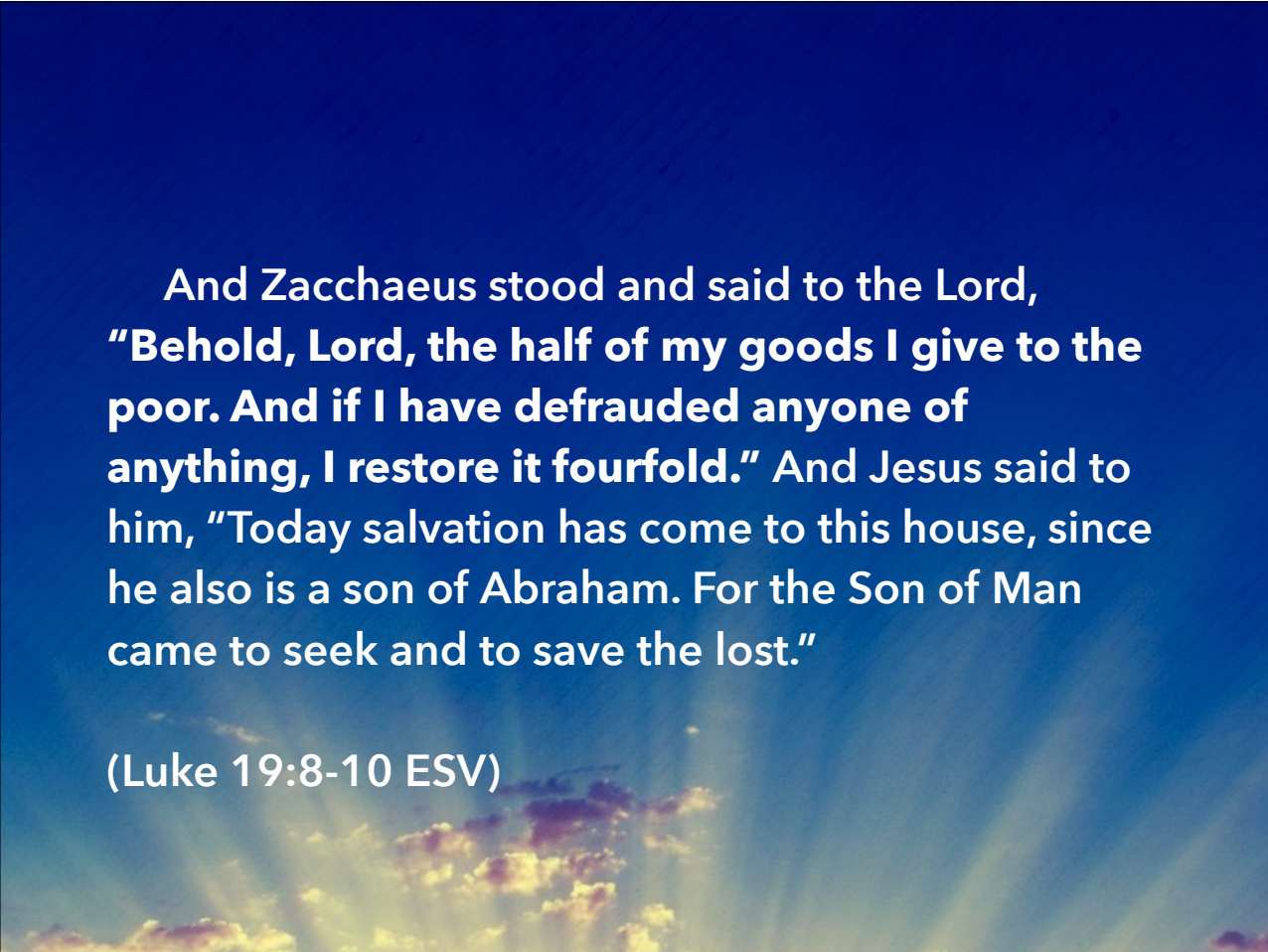




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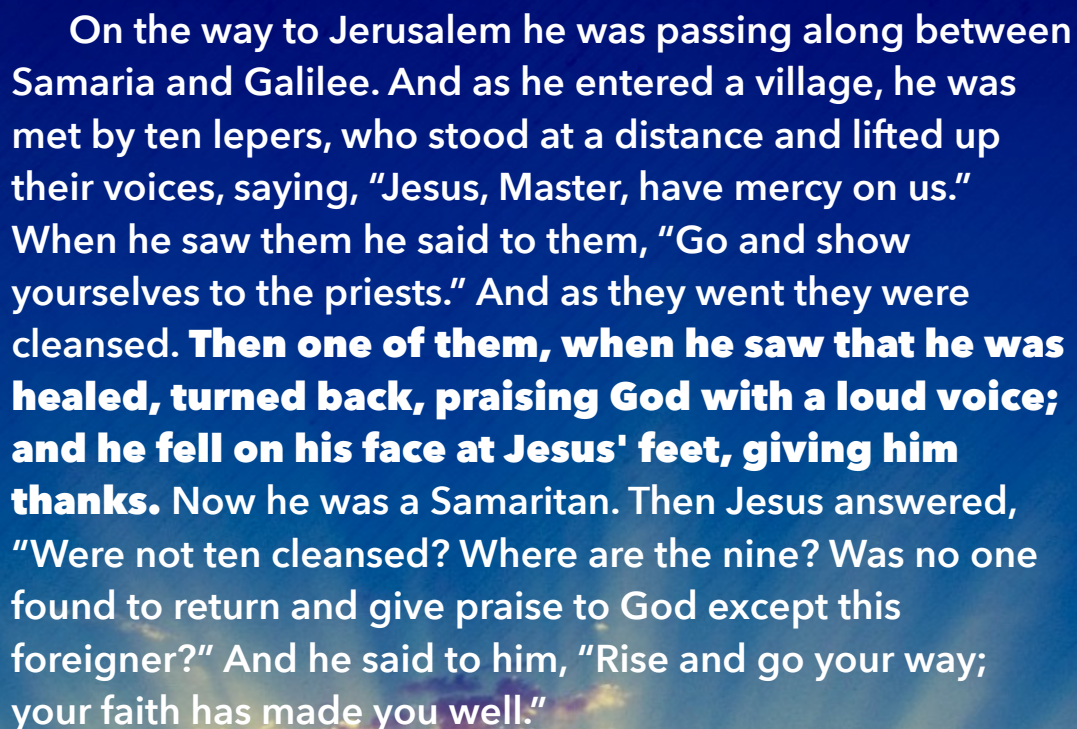
Mary therefore took a pound of expensive ointment made from pure nard, and **anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair.** The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.

(John 12:3 ESV)



And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord,
"Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

(Luke 19:8-10 ESV)



On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. **Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks.** Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

(Luke 17:11-19 ESV)

But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. **And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him.** Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

(Matthew 28:1-10 ESV)

But Peter said, "I have no silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!" And he took him by the right hand and raised him up, and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. **And leaping up he stood and began to walk, and entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God.** And all the people saw him walking and praising God, and recognized him as the one who sat at the Beautiful Gate of the temple, asking for alms. And they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

(Acts 3:6-10 ESV)

adoration is a willing submission of self to God expressed interiorly as well as exteriorly by one's actions. It is an interior act of mind and will where the mind humbly admits that God's perfection is infinite, and the will beckons us to praise enthusiastically and worship this perfection in a manner that is applied to no one else.

surviving
struggling to
keep it together

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**submit wilfully
to God**

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**do you
love God?**

dear God,
i am not in as much control as i would
like. i am not as together as it seems. i
am not in as much peace as i desire.
but i don't come asking, i come to you.

because there is no other.
because you are God.
and there is none like you.

