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IF YOU WANT TO
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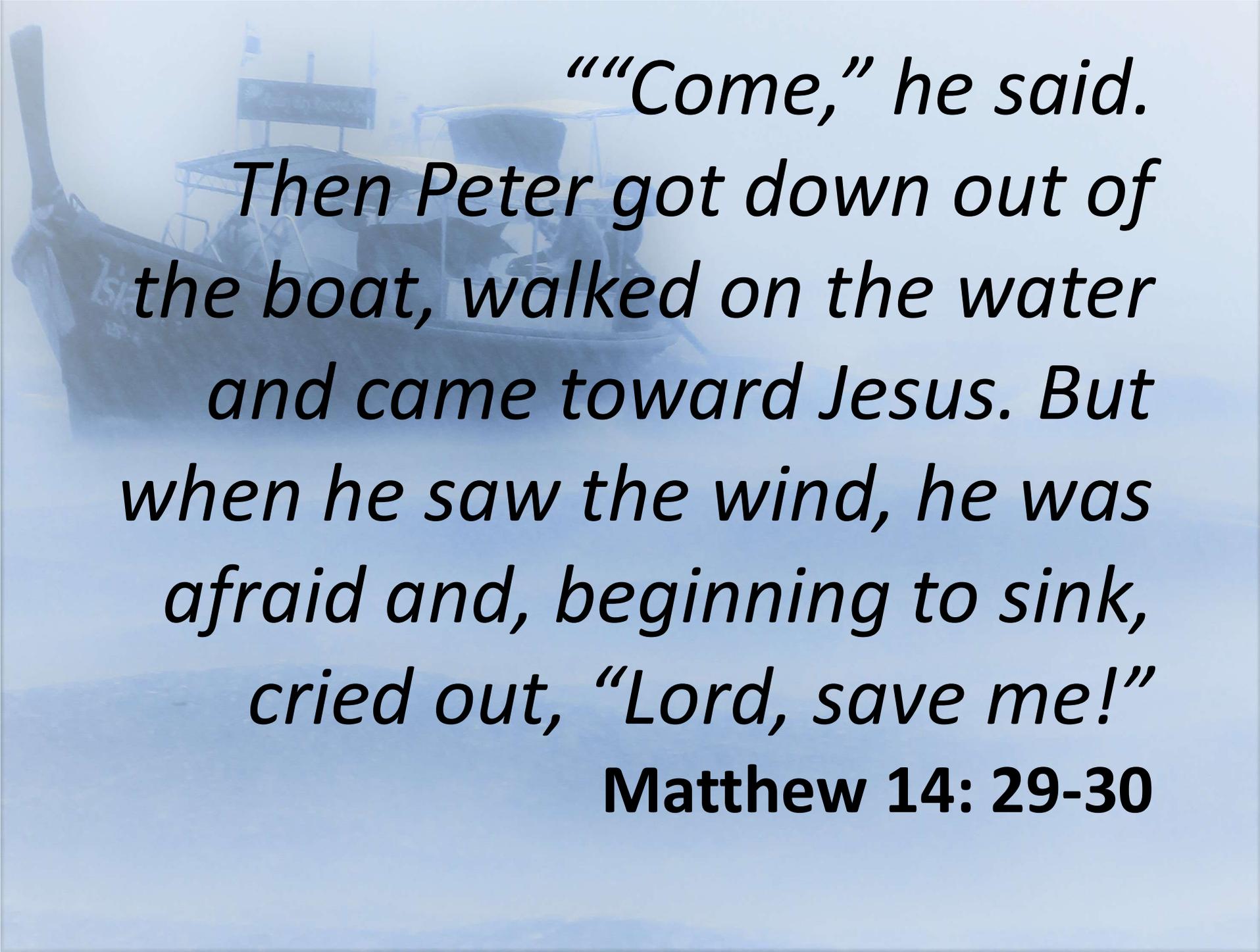


Week #4

Facing Our Challenges

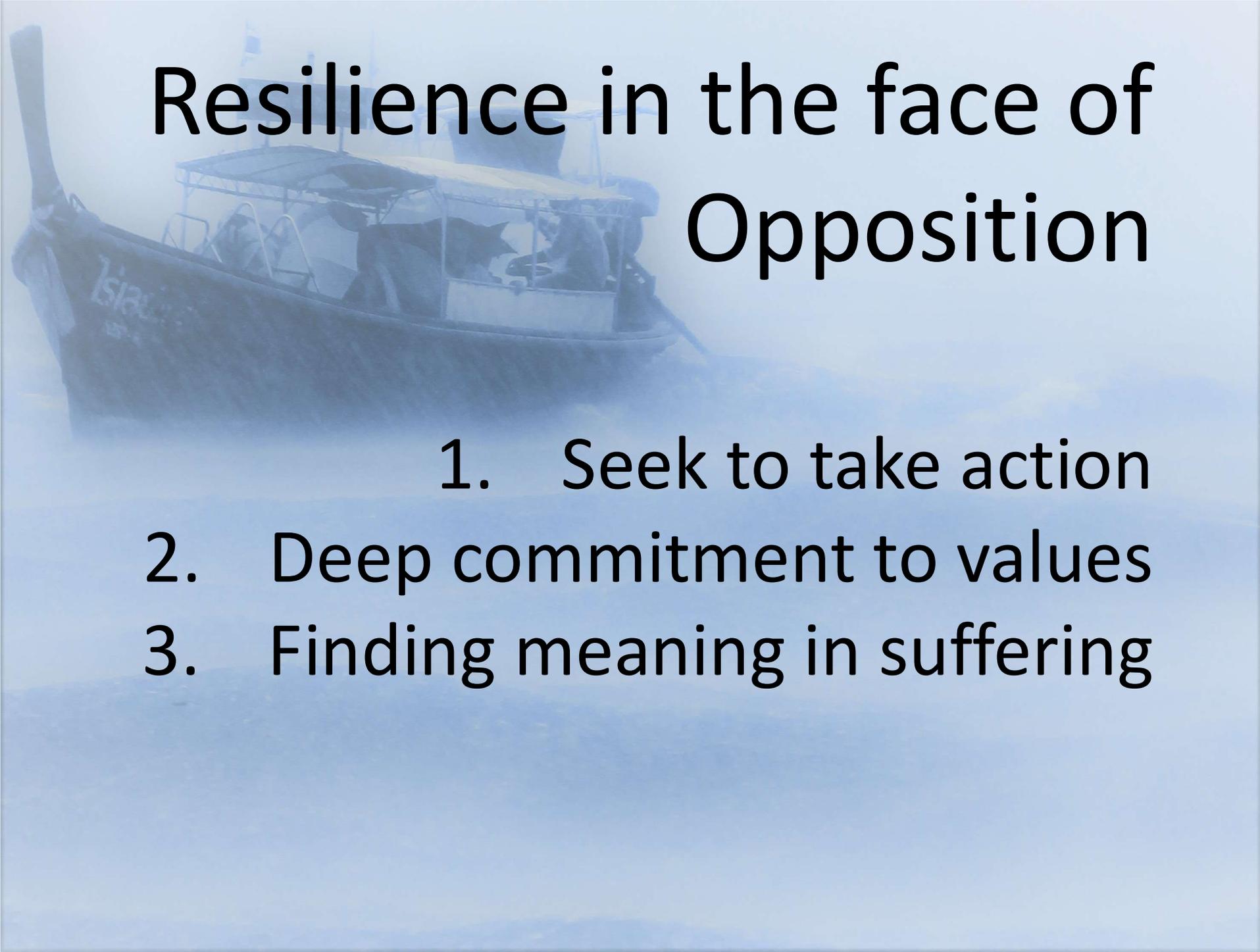
Conquering Our Fears

Matthew 14: 22-33

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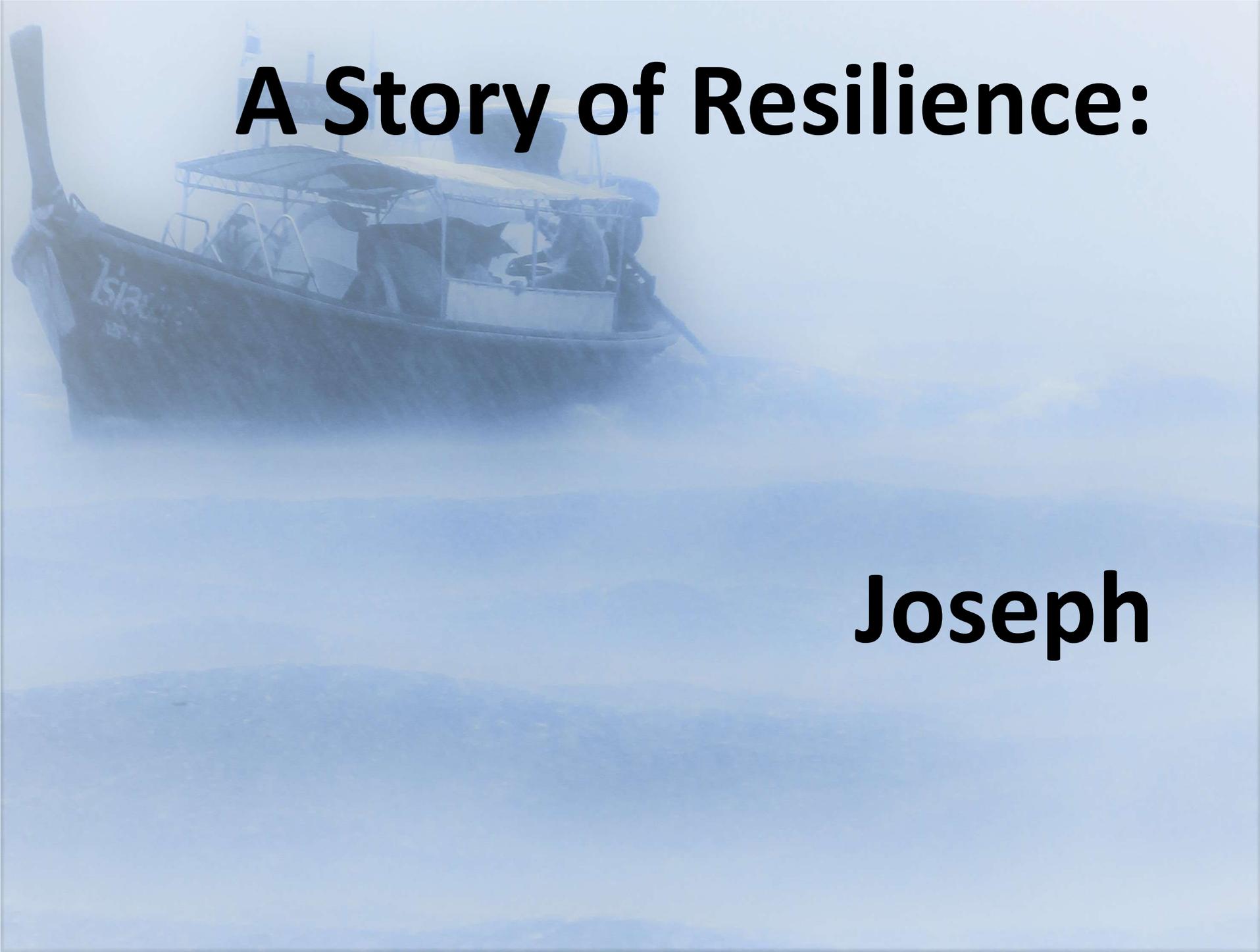
*““Come,” he said.
Then Peter got down out of
the boat, walked on the water
and came toward Jesus. But
when he saw the wind, he was
afraid and, beginning to sink,
cried out, “Lord, save me!”*

Matthew 14: 29-30

A photograph of a boat on a misty sea, serving as a background for the text. The boat is dark-colored with a yellow canopy and is positioned on the left side of the frame. The sea is a pale blue-grey color, and the background is a soft, hazy landscape.

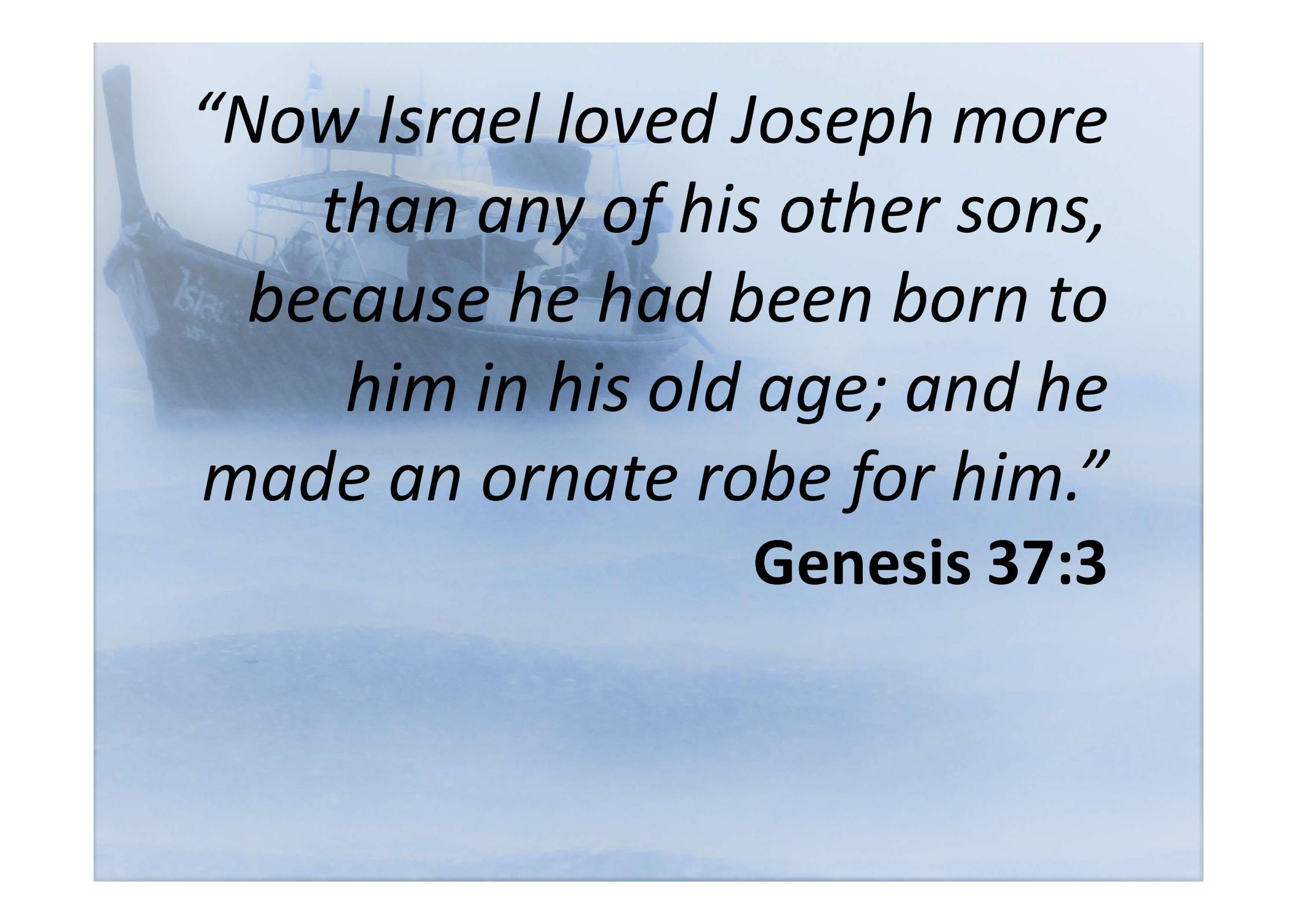
Resilience in the face of Opposition

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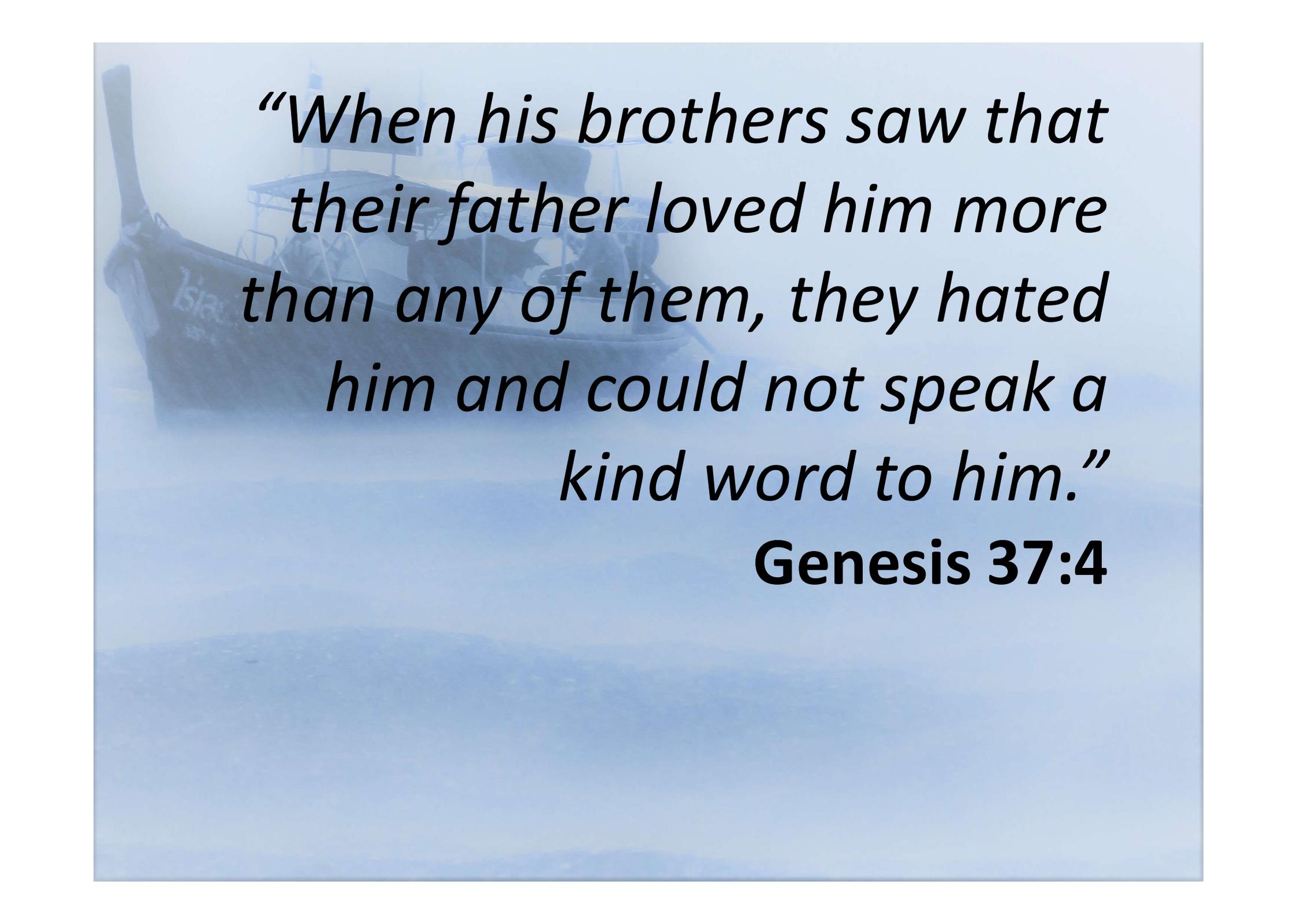
A Story of Resilience:

Joseph



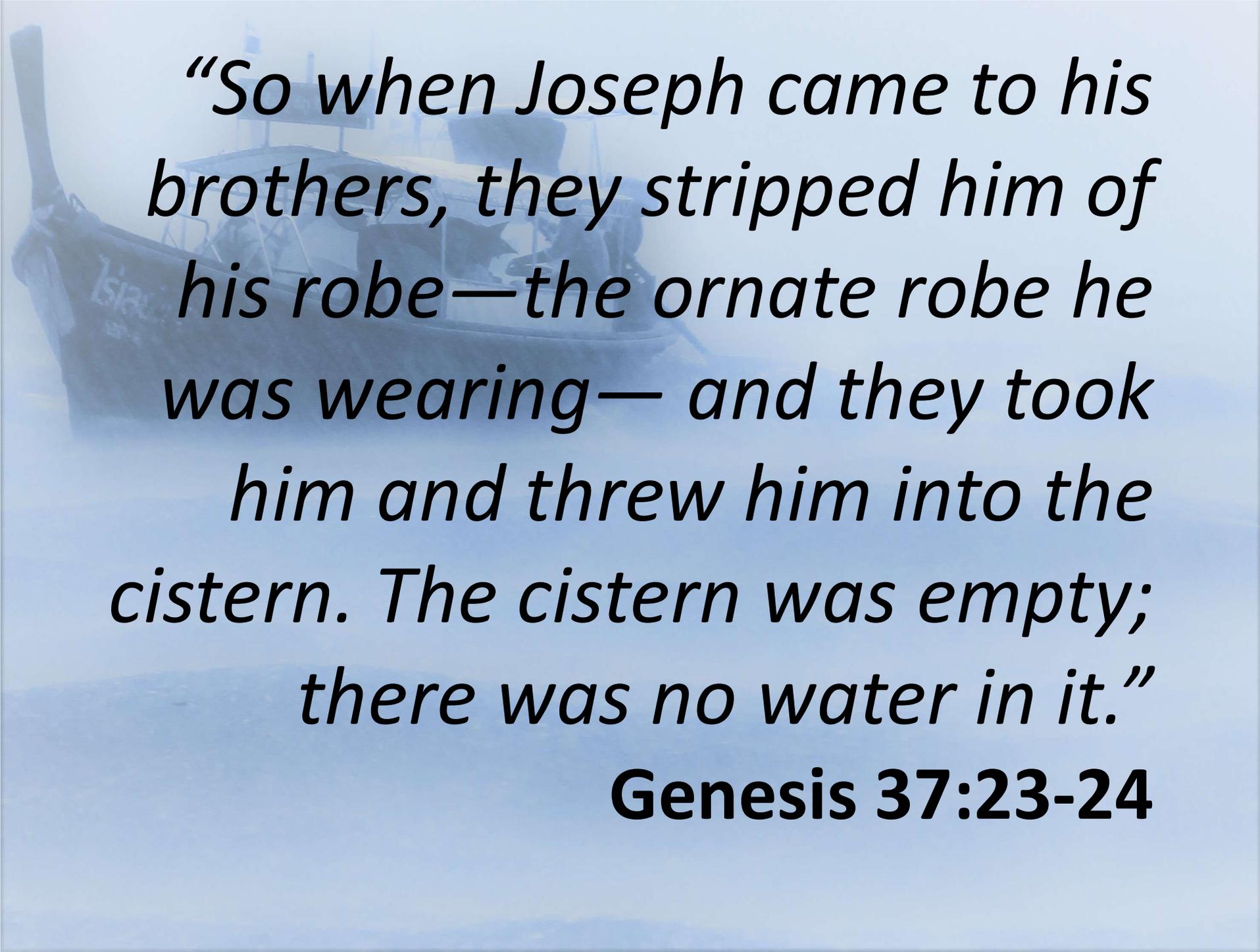
“Now Israel loved Joseph more than any of his other sons, because he had been born to him in his old age; and he made an ornate robe for him.”

Genesis 37:3



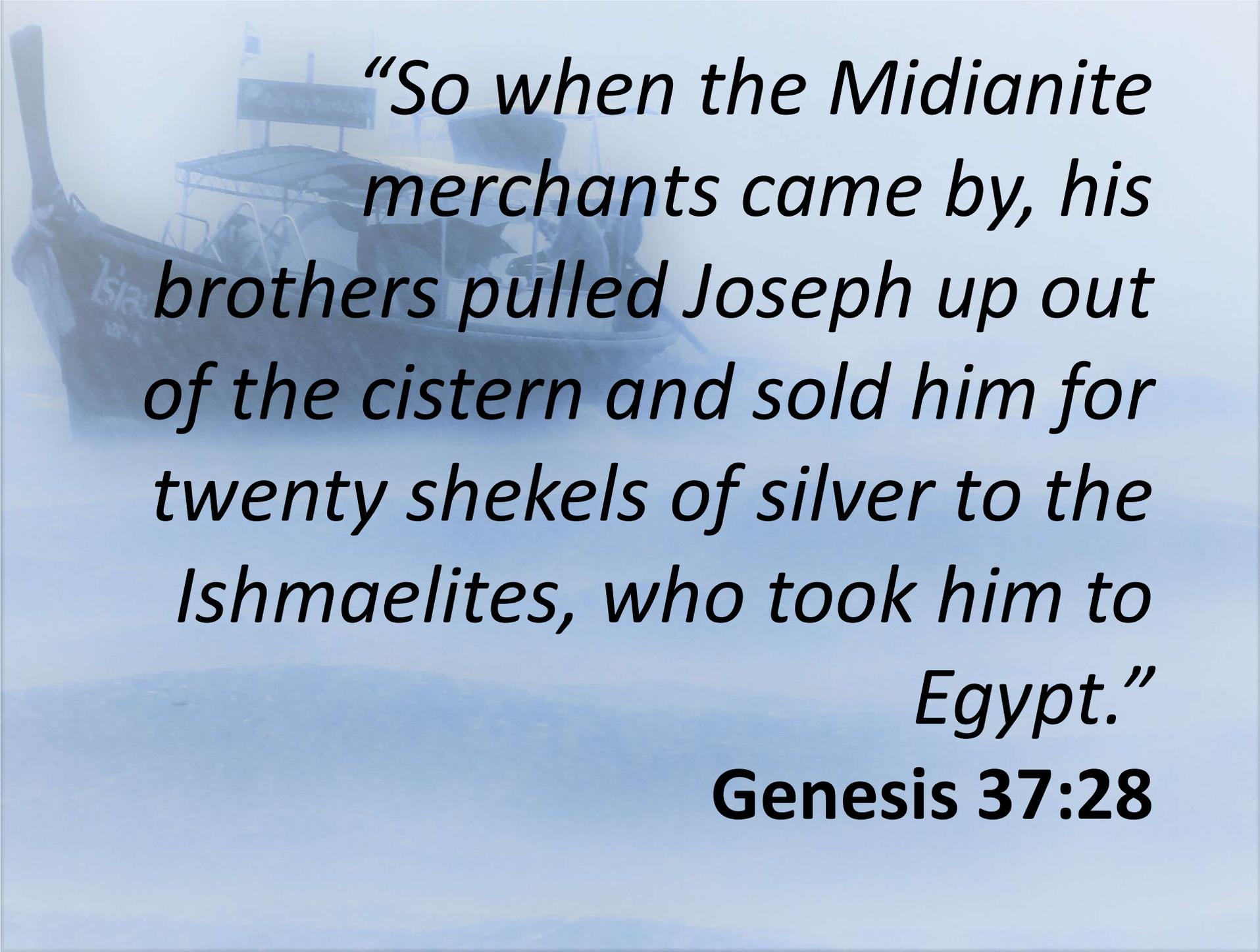
“When his brothers saw that their father loved him more than any of them, they hated him and could not speak a kind word to him.”

Genesis 37:4

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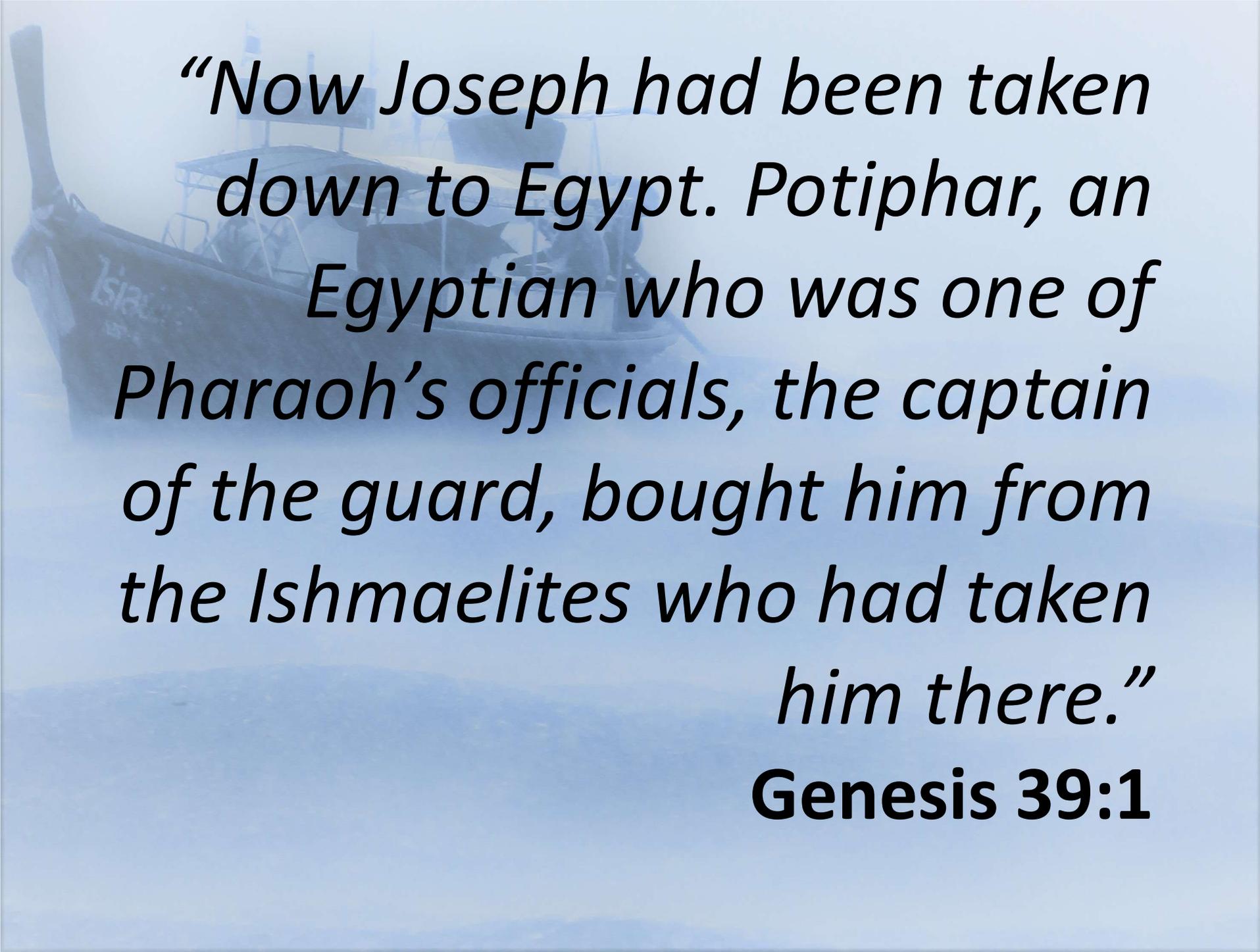
“So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe—the ornate robe he was wearing— and they took him and threw him into the cistern. The cistern was empty; there was no water in it.”

Genesis 37:23-24



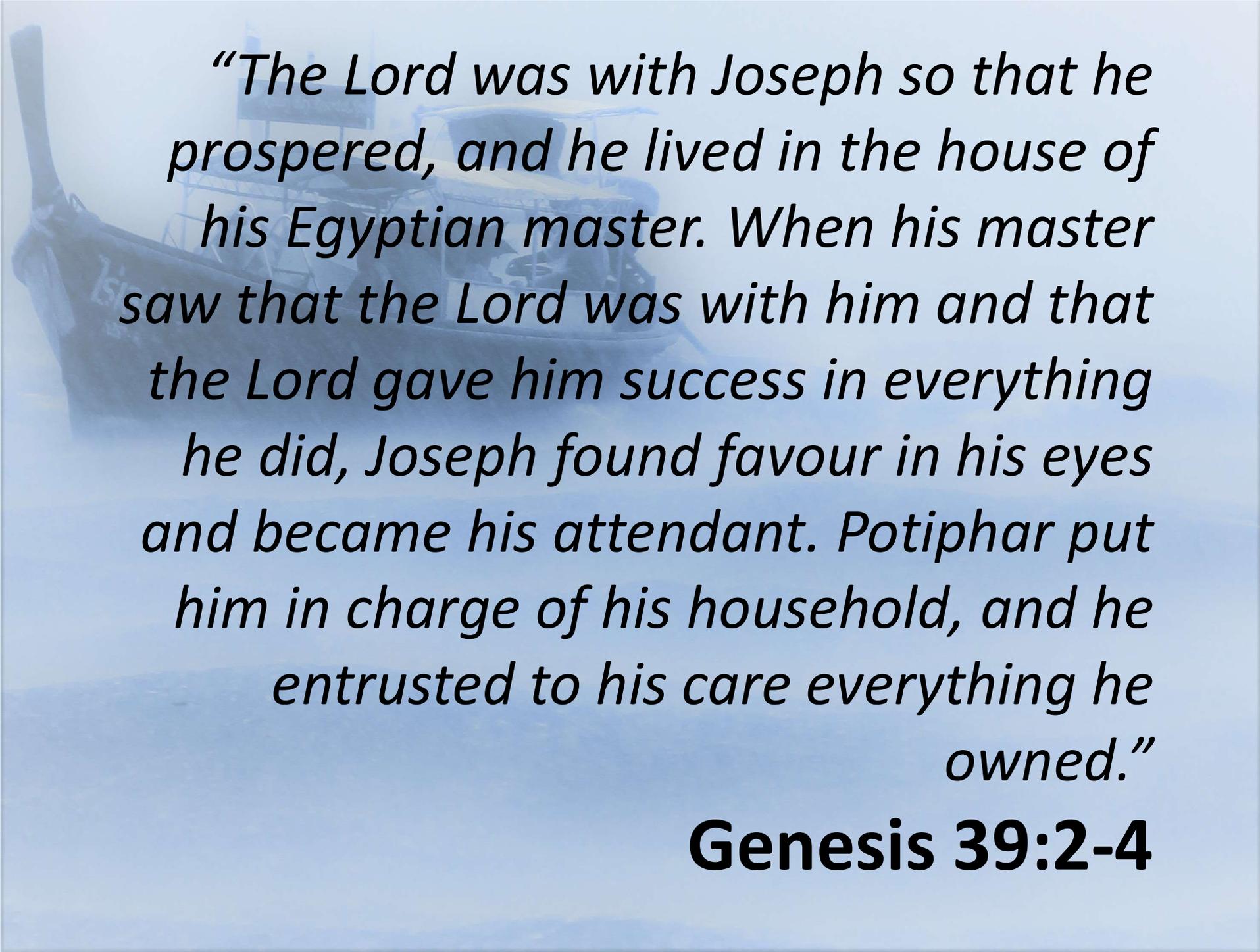
*“So when the Midianite
merchants came by, his
brothers pulled Joseph up out
of the cistern and sold him for
twenty shekels of silver to the
Ishmaelites, who took him to
Egypt.”*

Genesis 37:28



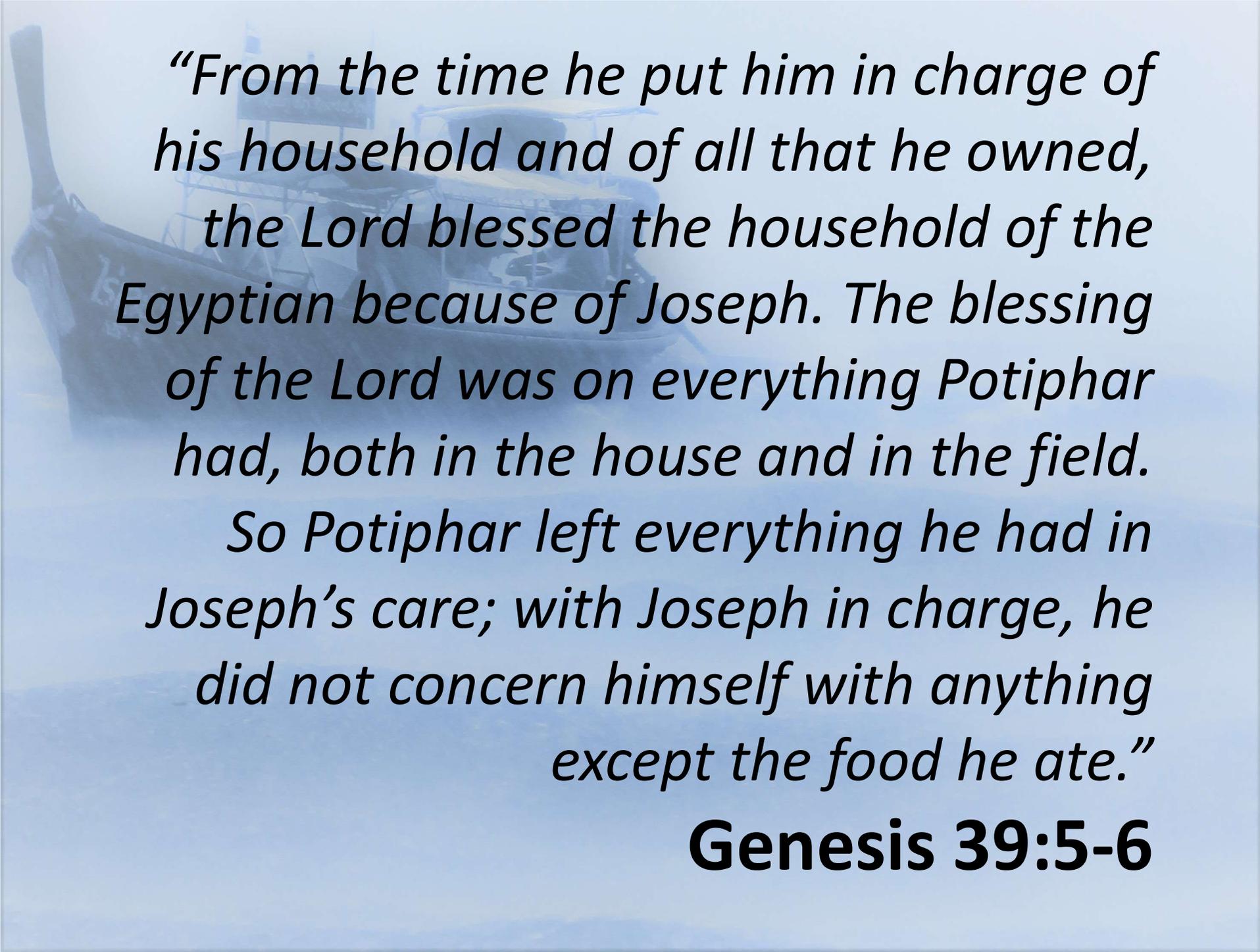
“Now Joseph had been taken down to Egypt. Potiphar, an Egyptian who was one of Pharaoh’s officials, the captain of the guard, bought him from the Ishmaelites who had taken him there.”

Genesis 39:1



“The Lord was with Joseph so that he prospered, and he lived in the house of his Egyptian master. When his master saw that the Lord was with him and that the Lord gave him success in everything he did, Joseph found favour in his eyes and became his attendant. Potiphar put him in charge of his household, and he entrusted to his care everything he owned.”

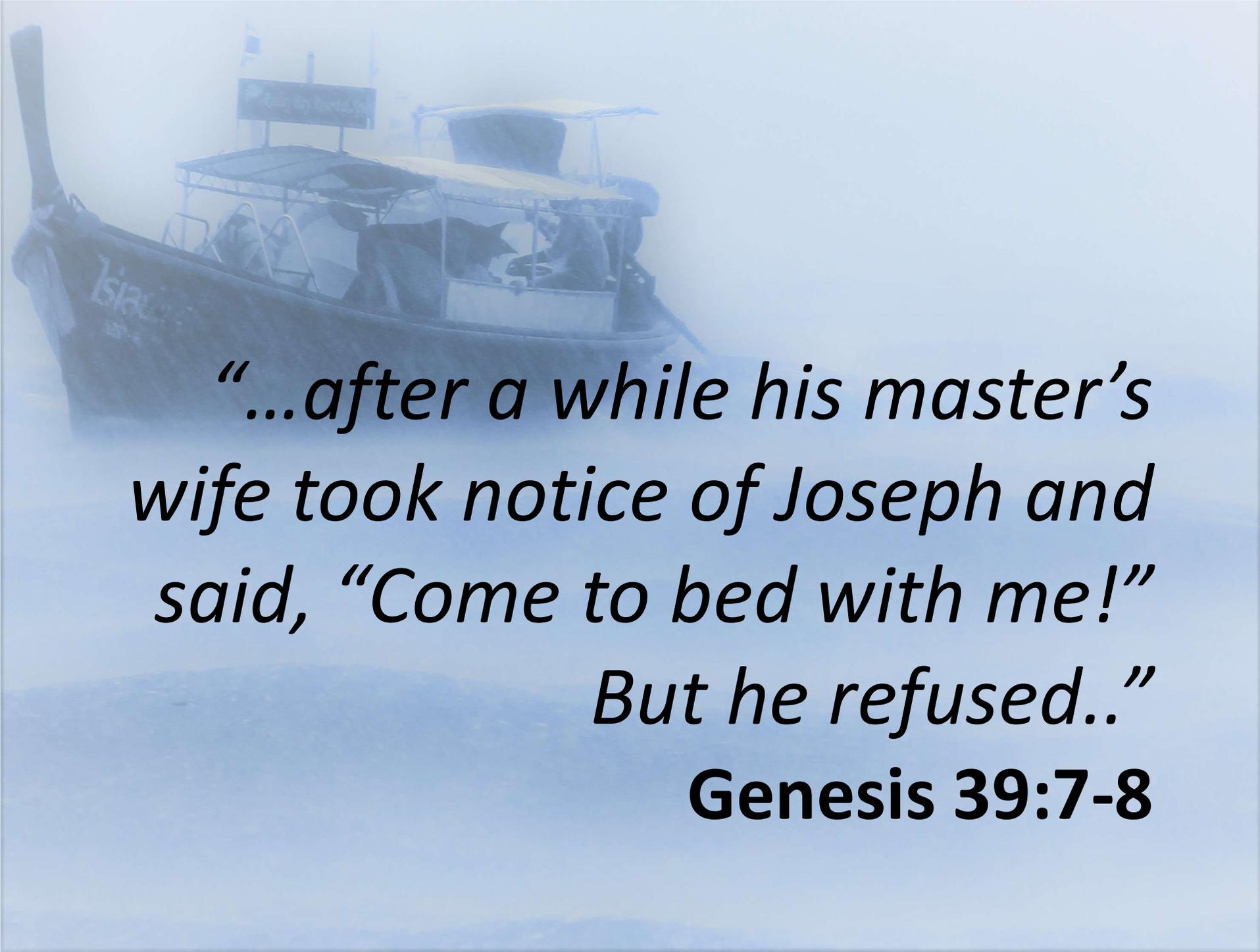
Genesis 39:2-4



“From the time he put him in charge of his household and of all that he owned, the Lord blessed the household of the Egyptian because of Joseph. The blessing of the Lord was on everything Potiphar had, both in the house and in the field.

So Potiphar left everything he had in Joseph’s care; with Joseph in charge, he did not concern himself with anything except the food he ate.”

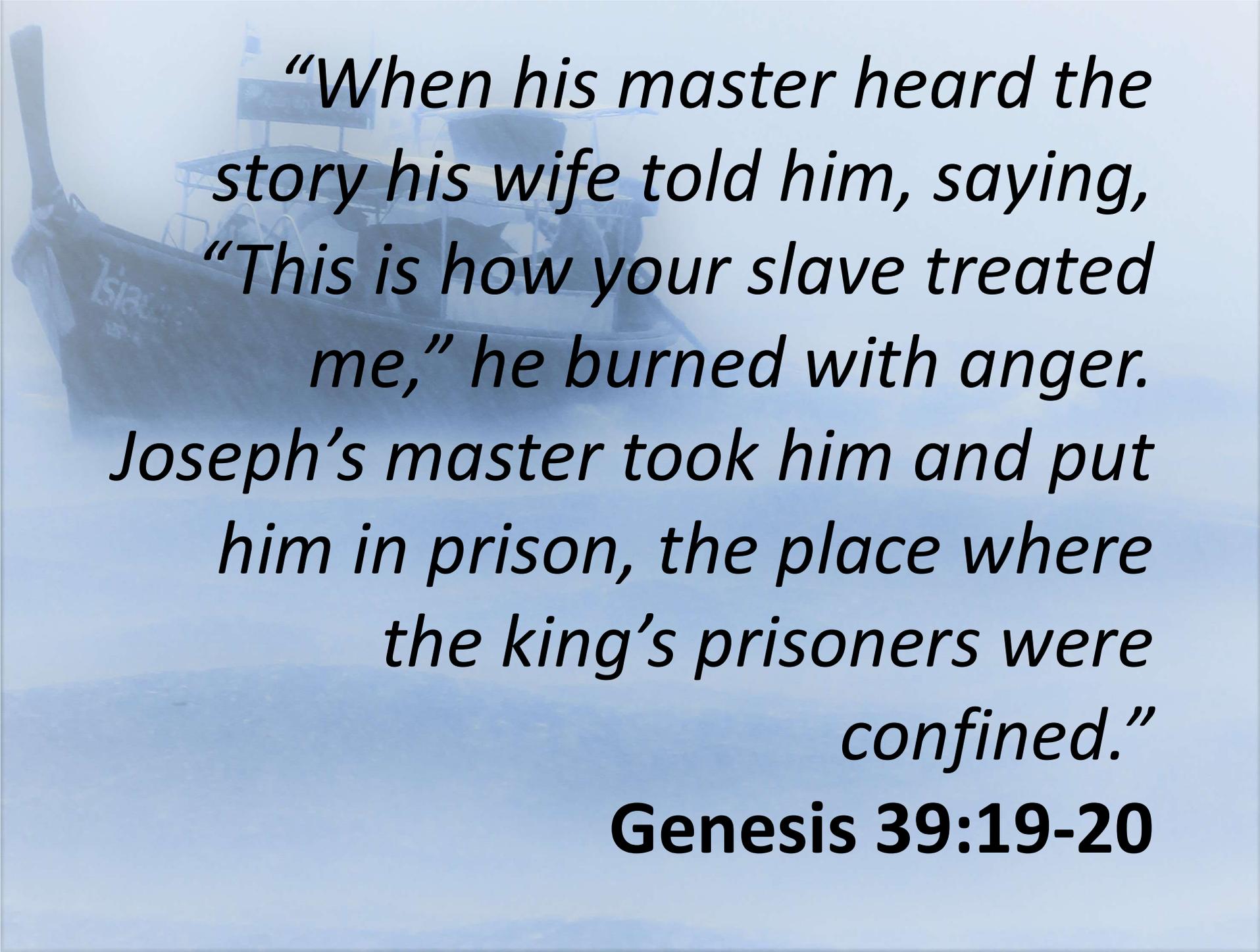
Genesis 39:5-6



*“...after a while his master’s
wife took notice of Joseph and
said, “Come to bed with me!”*

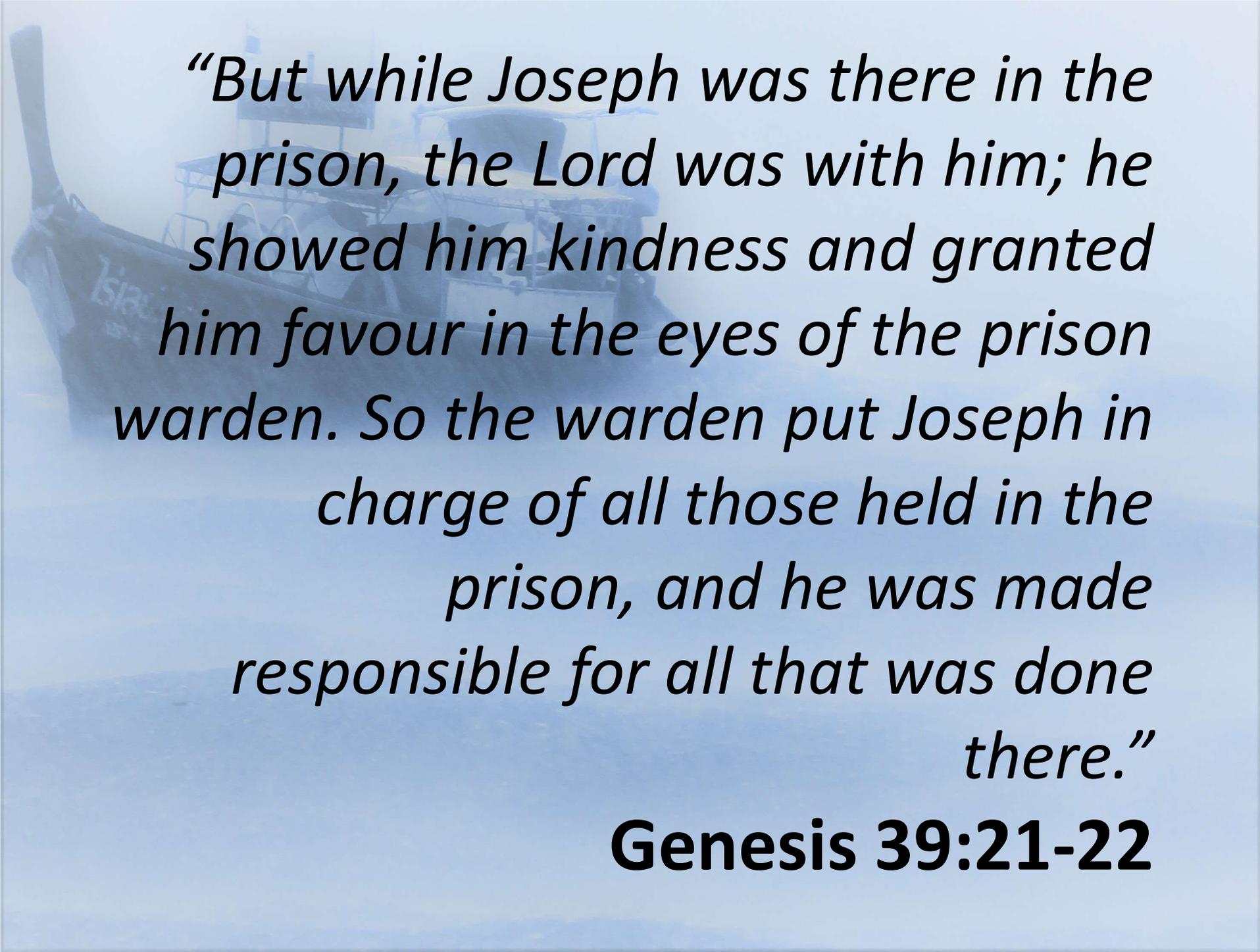
But he refused..”

Genesis 39:7-8

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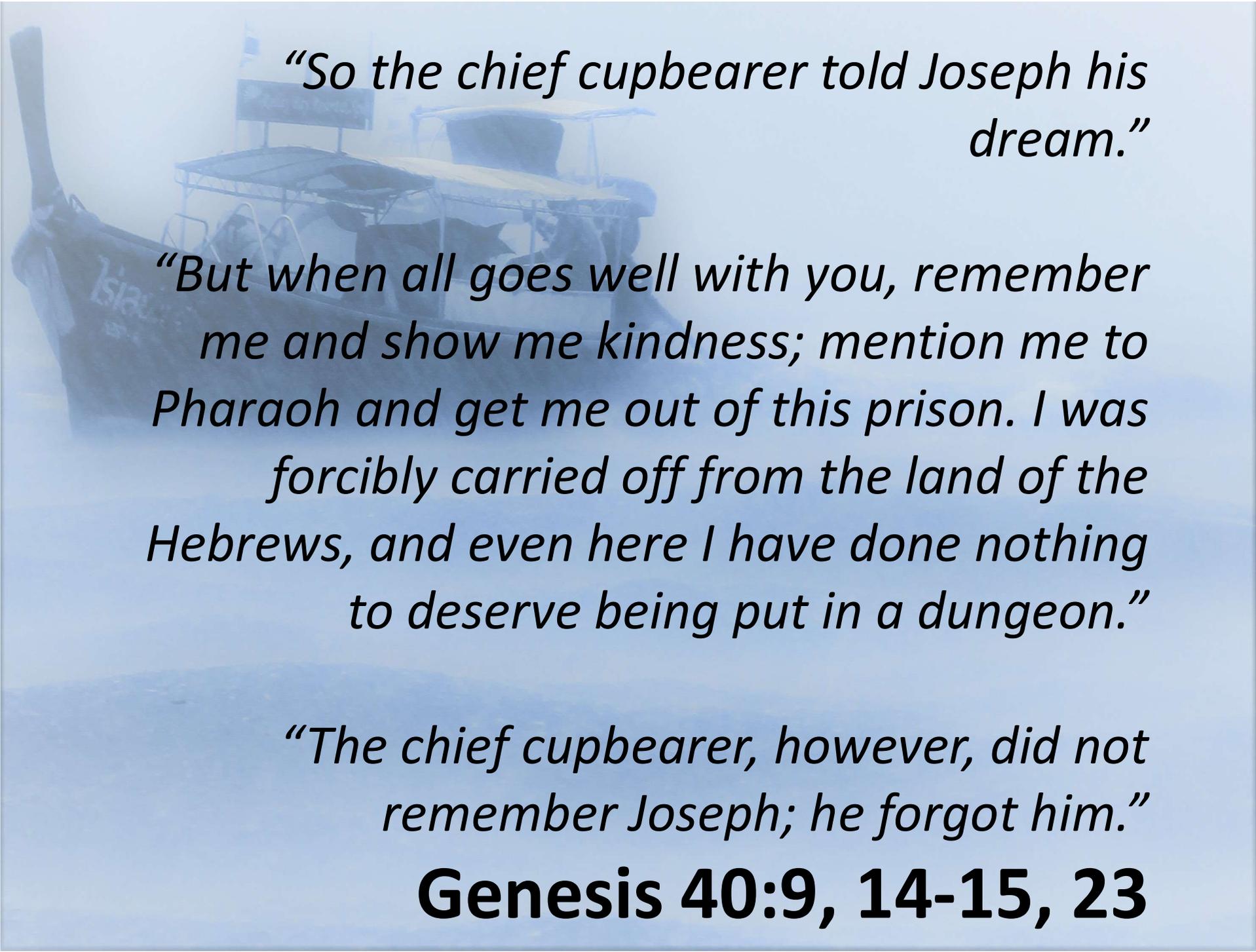
“When his master heard the story his wife told him, saying, “This is how your slave treated me,” he burned with anger. Joseph’s master took him and put him in prison, the place where the king’s prisoners were confined.”

Genesis 39:19-20



“But while Joseph was there in the prison, the Lord was with him; he showed him kindness and granted him favour in the eyes of the prison warden. So the warden put Joseph in charge of all those held in the prison, and he was made responsible for all that was done there.”

Genesis 39:21-22

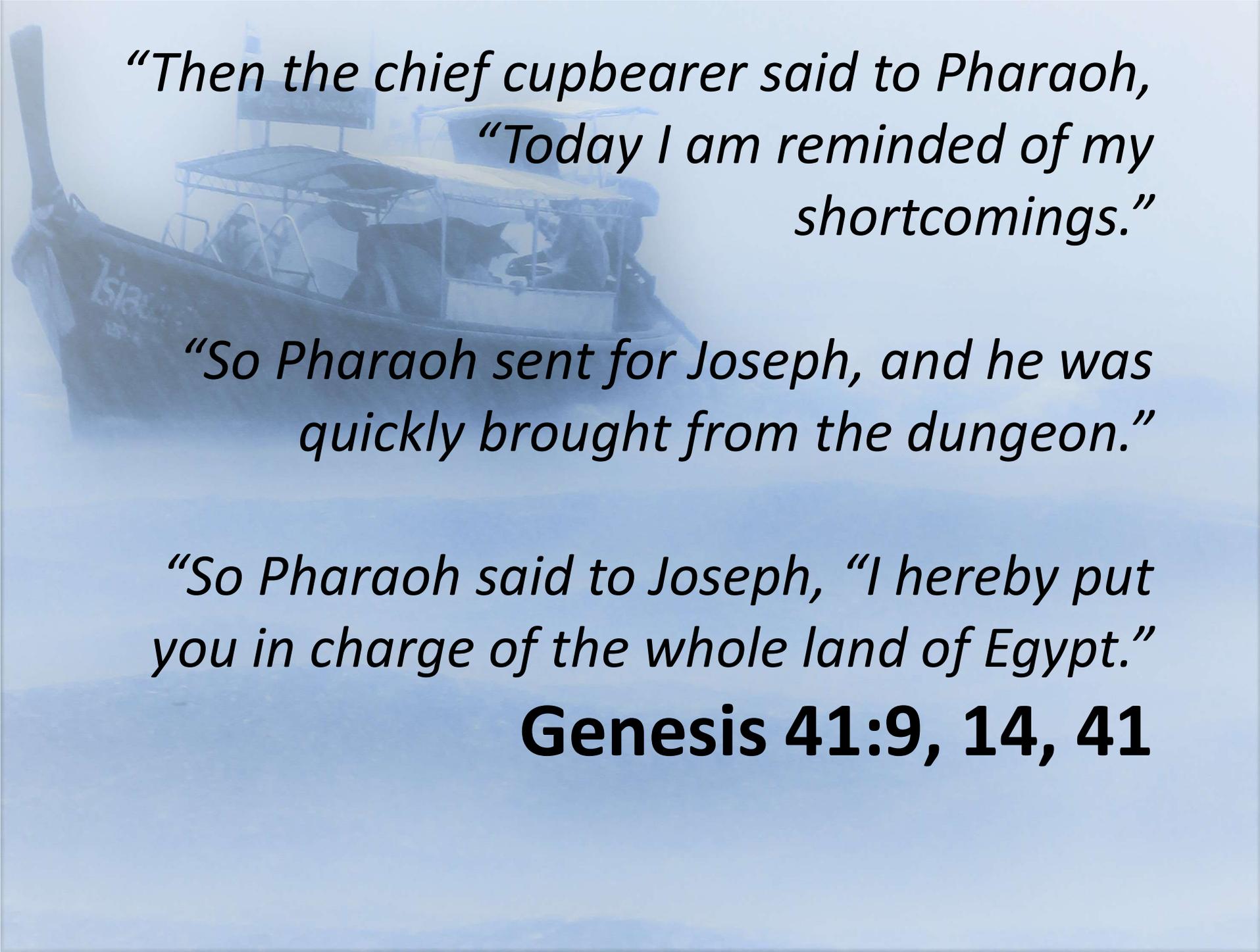


“So the chief cupbearer told Joseph his dream.”

“But when all goes well with you, remember me and show me kindness; mention me to Pharaoh and get me out of this prison. I was forcibly carried off from the land of the Hebrews, and even here I have done nothing to deserve being put in a dungeon.”

“The chief cupbearer, however, did not remember Joseph; he forgot him.”

Genesis 40:9, 14-15, 23

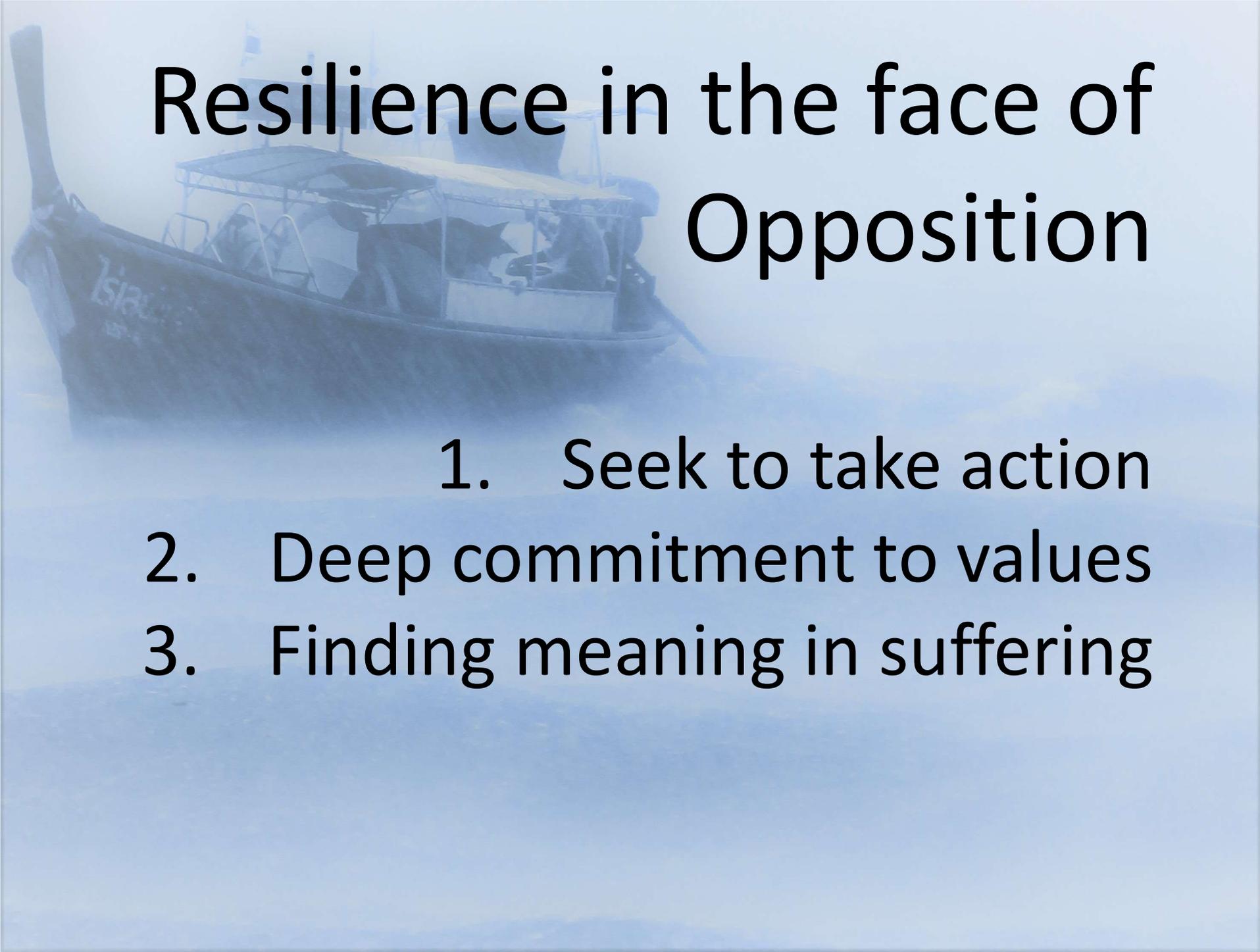
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*“Then the chief cupbearer said to Pharaoh,
“Today I am reminded of my
shortcomings.”*

*“So Pharaoh sent for Joseph, and he was
quickly brought from the dungeon.”*

*“So Pharaoh said to Joseph, “I hereby put
you in charge of the whole land of Egypt.”*

Genesis 41:9, 14, 41

A photograph of a boat on a misty sea, serving as a background for the text. The boat is dark-colored with a yellow canopy and is positioned on the left side of the frame. The sea is a pale, hazy blue, and the overall atmosphere is misty and serene.

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