



Armed for Battle





**Intro: The full armor of God
protects us against the devil's
schemes**







1. The Importance of a Helmet



A. It protects the head







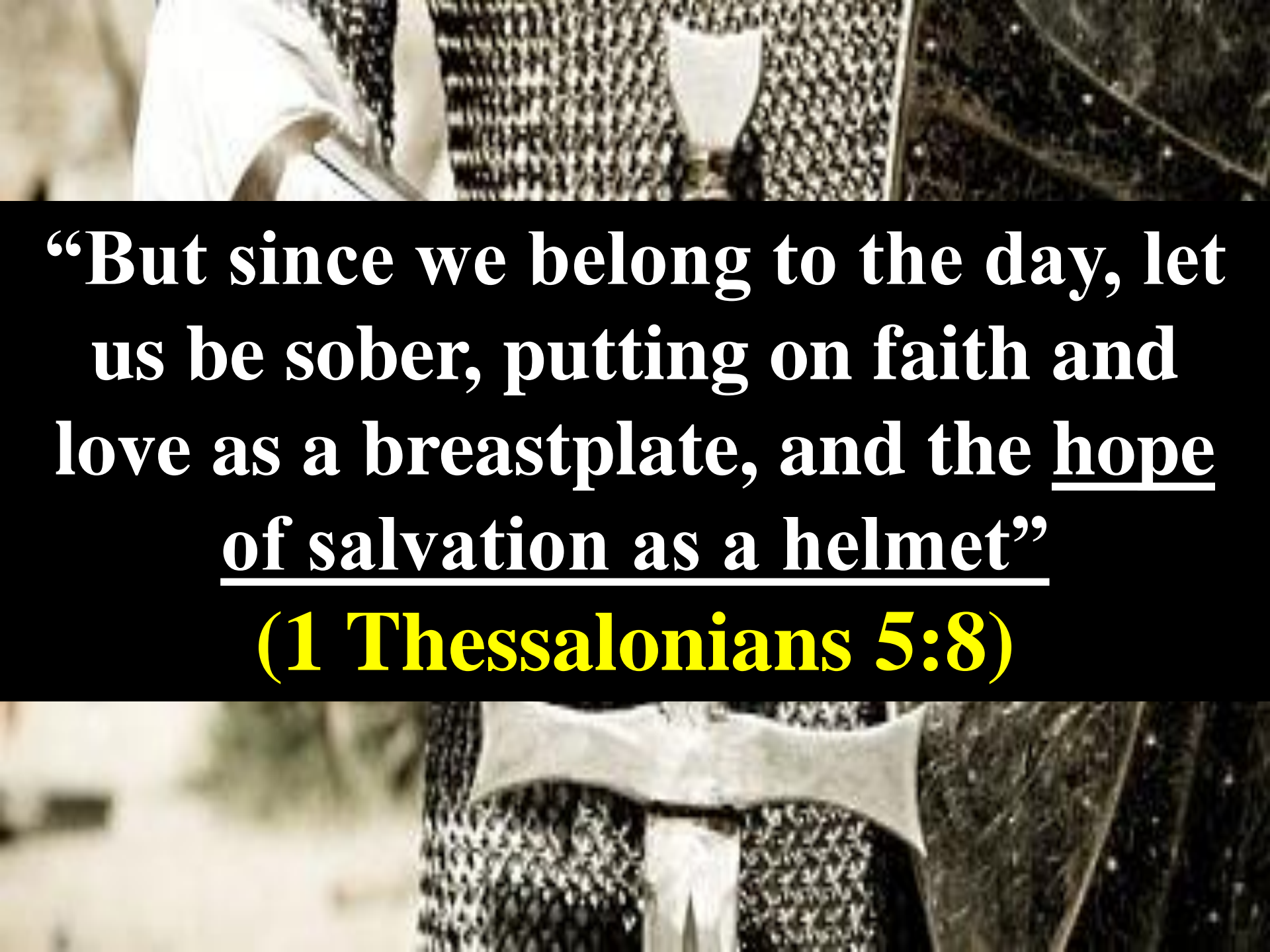
A. It protects the head

**B. Without the helmet, you
couldn't survive**





2. The Helmet as the Hope of Salvation



“But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet”

(1 Thessalonians 5:8)

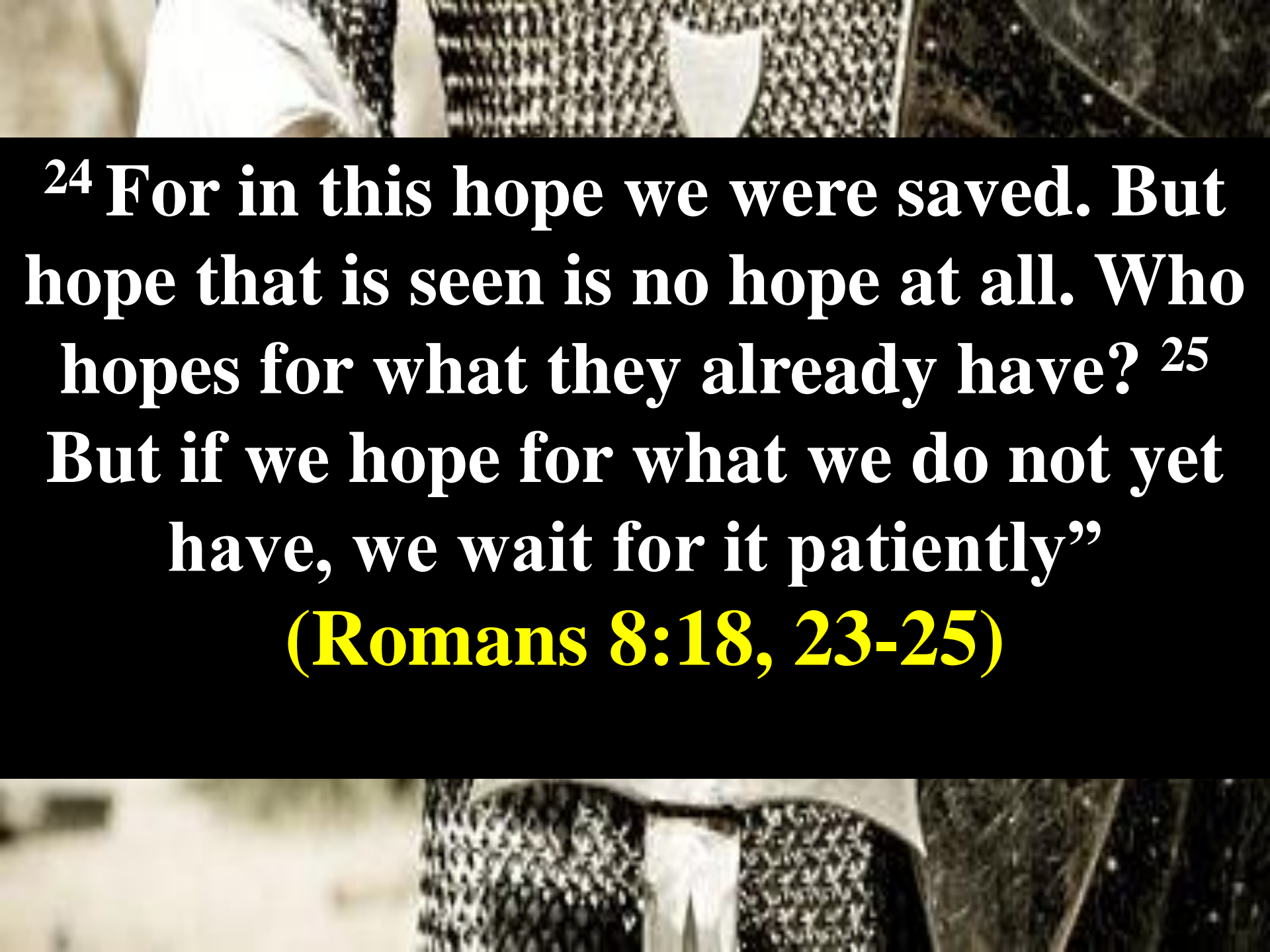


A. Put on your expectation of salvation (cf. 1 Thess. 5:8; Roman 8:18, 23-25)



18 I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us..... 23 Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies.

(Romans 8:18, 23-25)



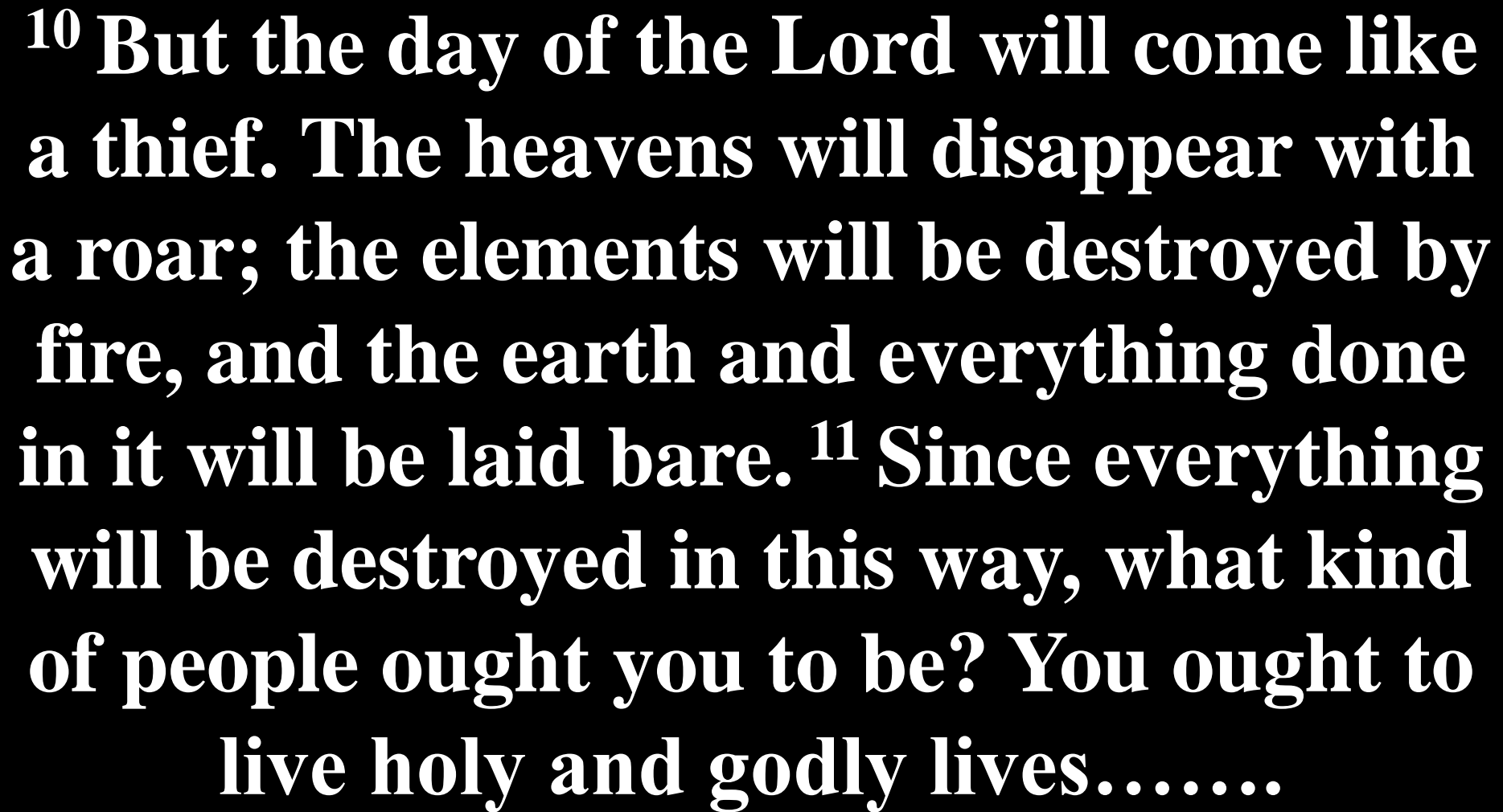
²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently”

(Romans 8:18, 23-25)



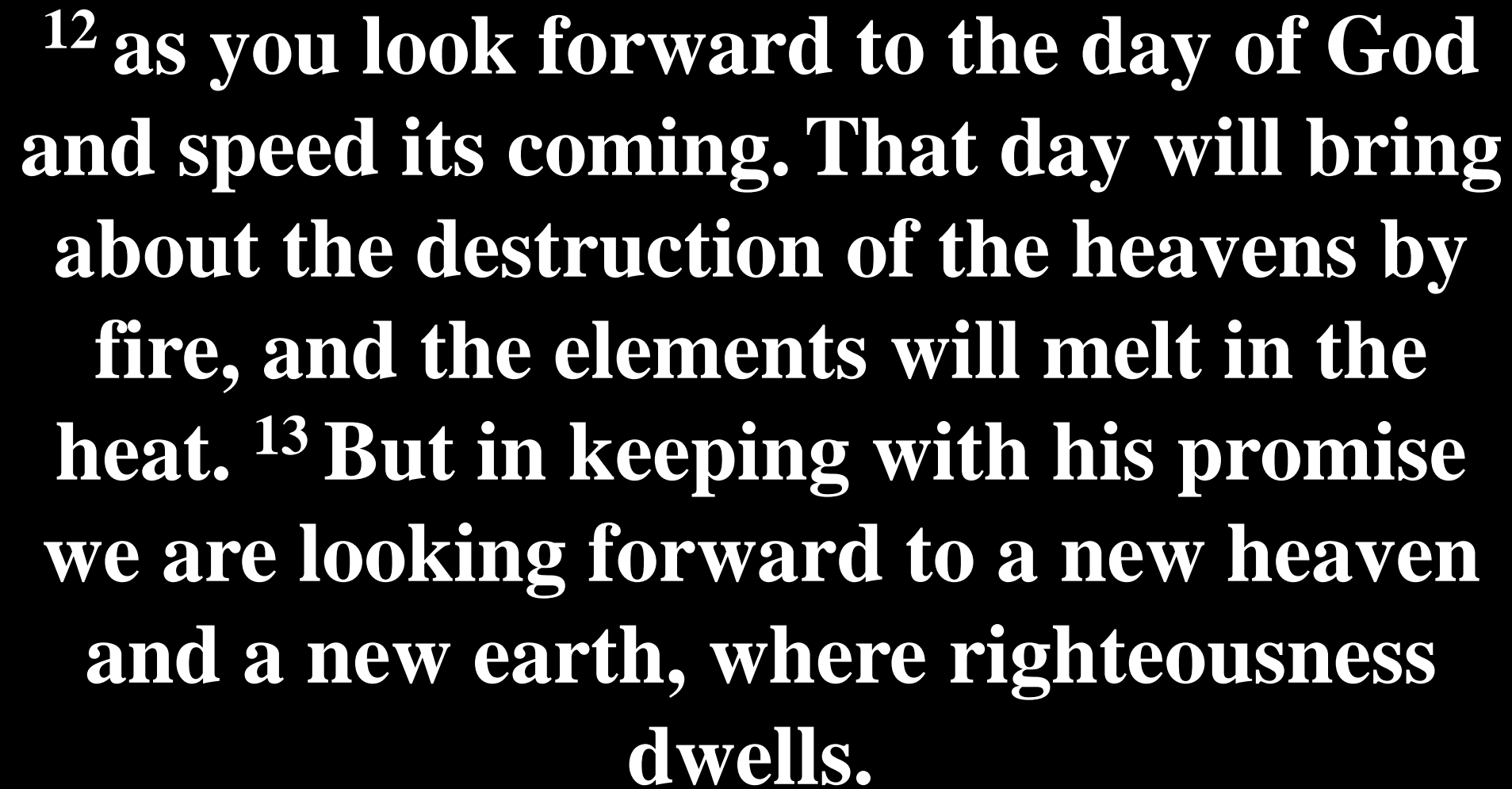
B. God has great plans for the future (2 Peter 3:10-13; cf. Isa. 65:17-18, 20, 25; Rev. 21:1-4)





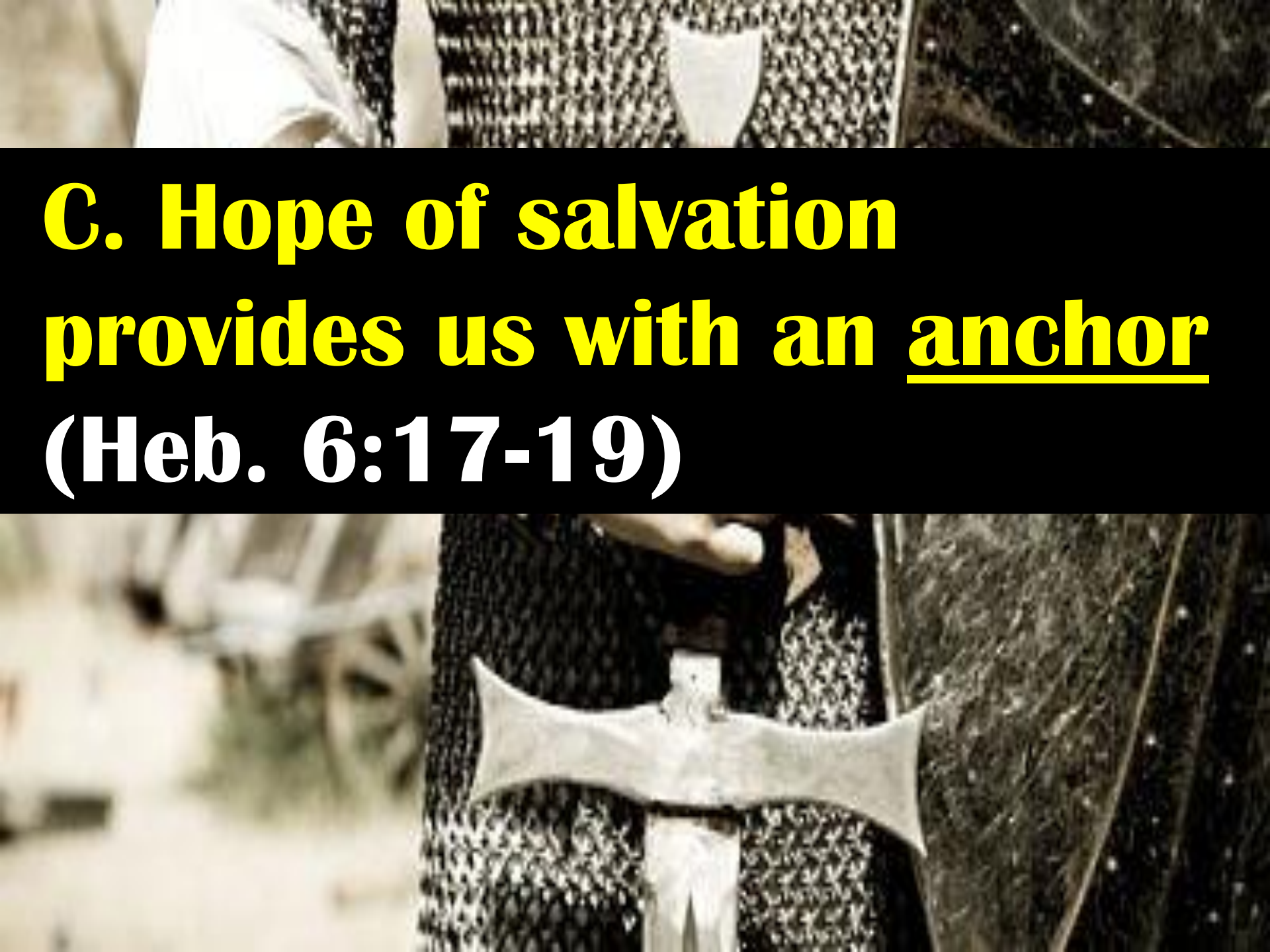
¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare. ¹¹ Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives.....

(2 Peter 3:10-13)



¹² as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat. ¹³ But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, where righteousness dwells.

(2 Peter 3:10-13)



**C. Hope of salvation
provides us with an anchor
(Heb. 6:17-19)**



**Are you wearing
your helmet?**

