

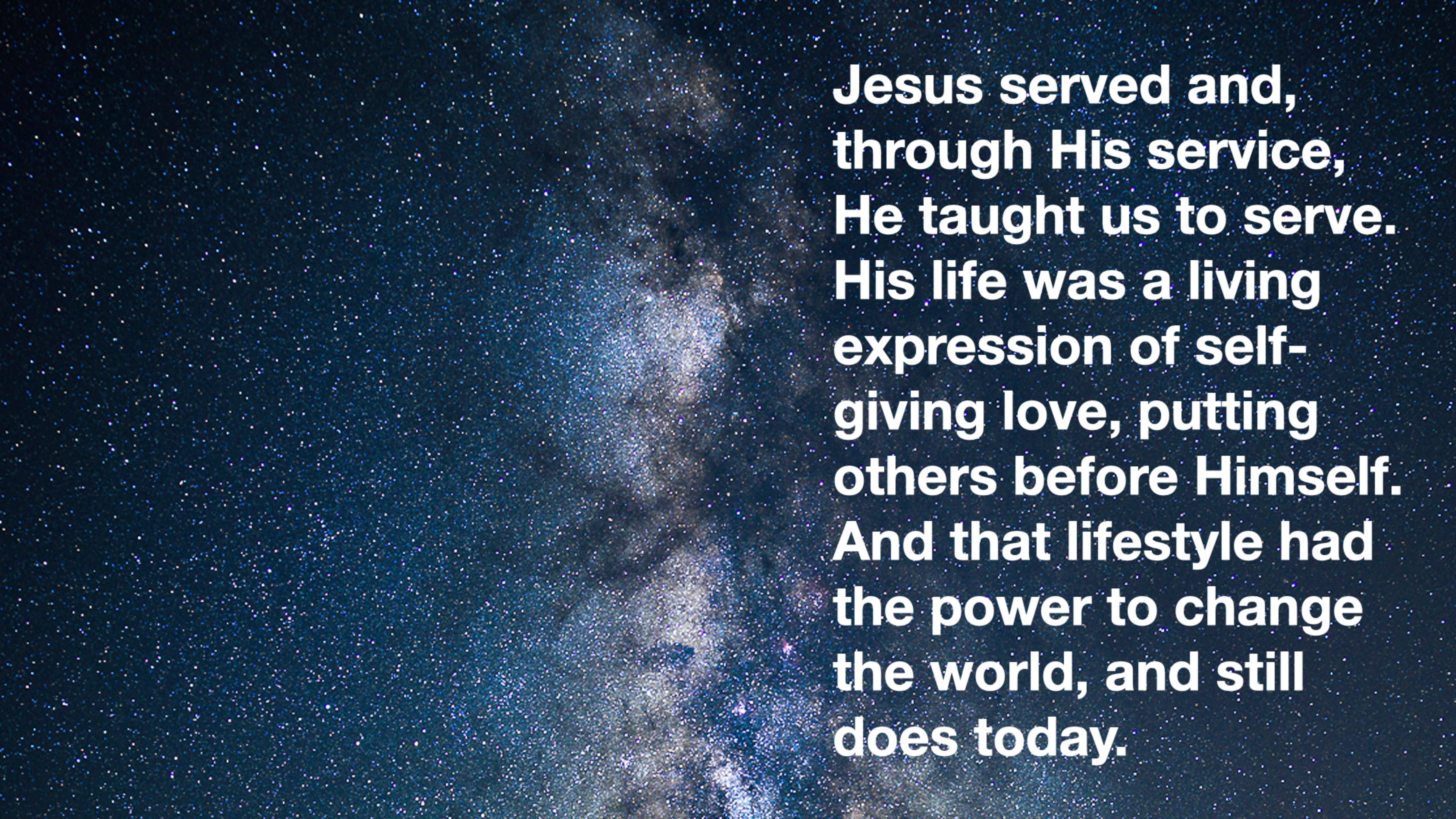
A night sky with the Milky Way galaxy and a desert landscape. The Milky Way is a bright, glowing band of stars and dust that stretches across the sky from the top left towards the bottom right. The stars are of various colors, including blue, purple, and white. The background is a dark, starry sky. In the foreground, there are dark, silhouetted hills and a desert landscape with sand dunes.

ENCOUNTER JESUS

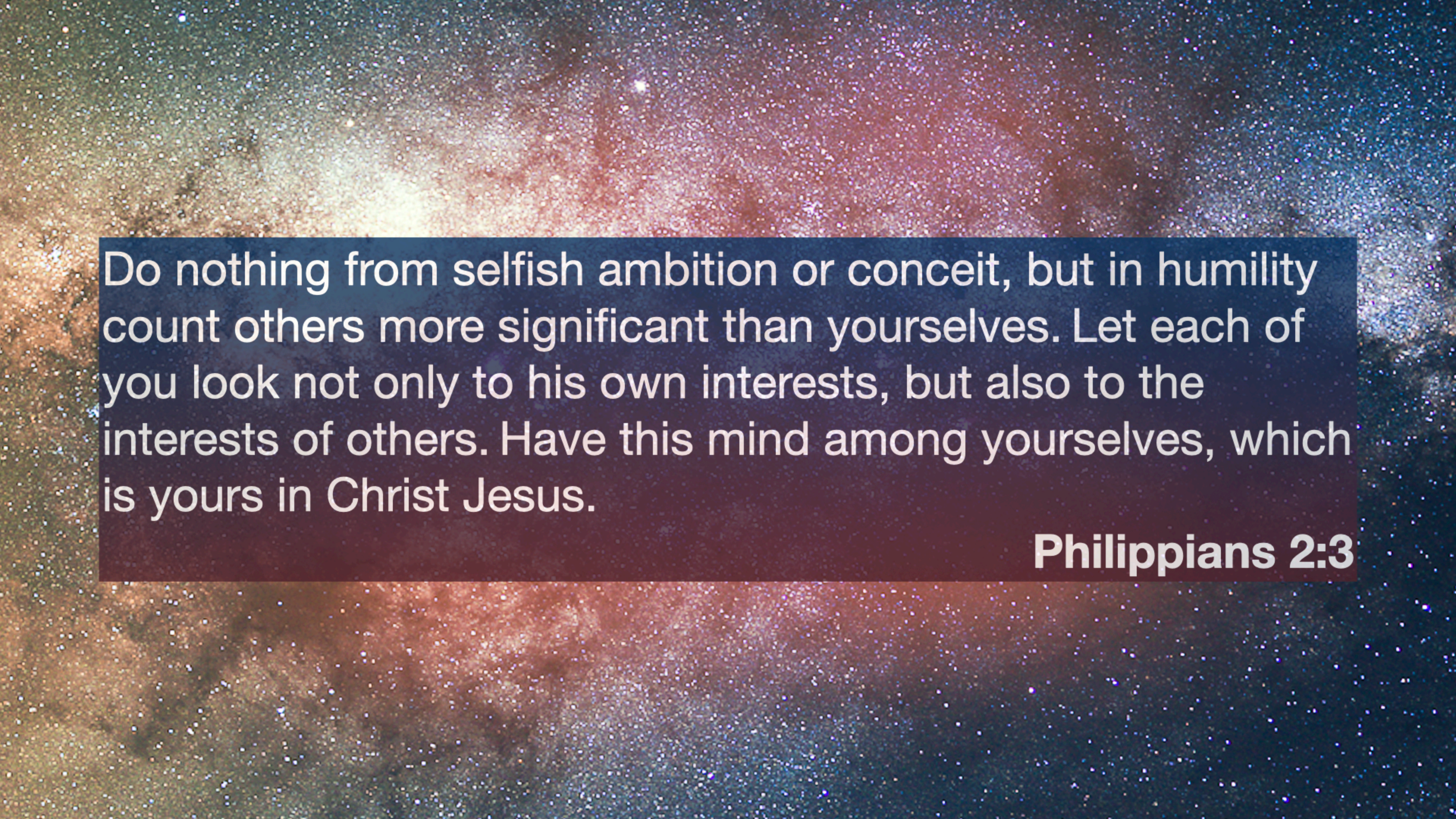
THE POWER OF SERVING
John 13:1-17



SERVING:
Treating others in
a way that
prioritizes their
needs over yours.




**Jesus served and,
through His service,
He taught us to serve.
His life was a living
expression of self-
giving love, putting
others before Himself.
And that lifestyle had
the power to change
the world, and still
does today.**

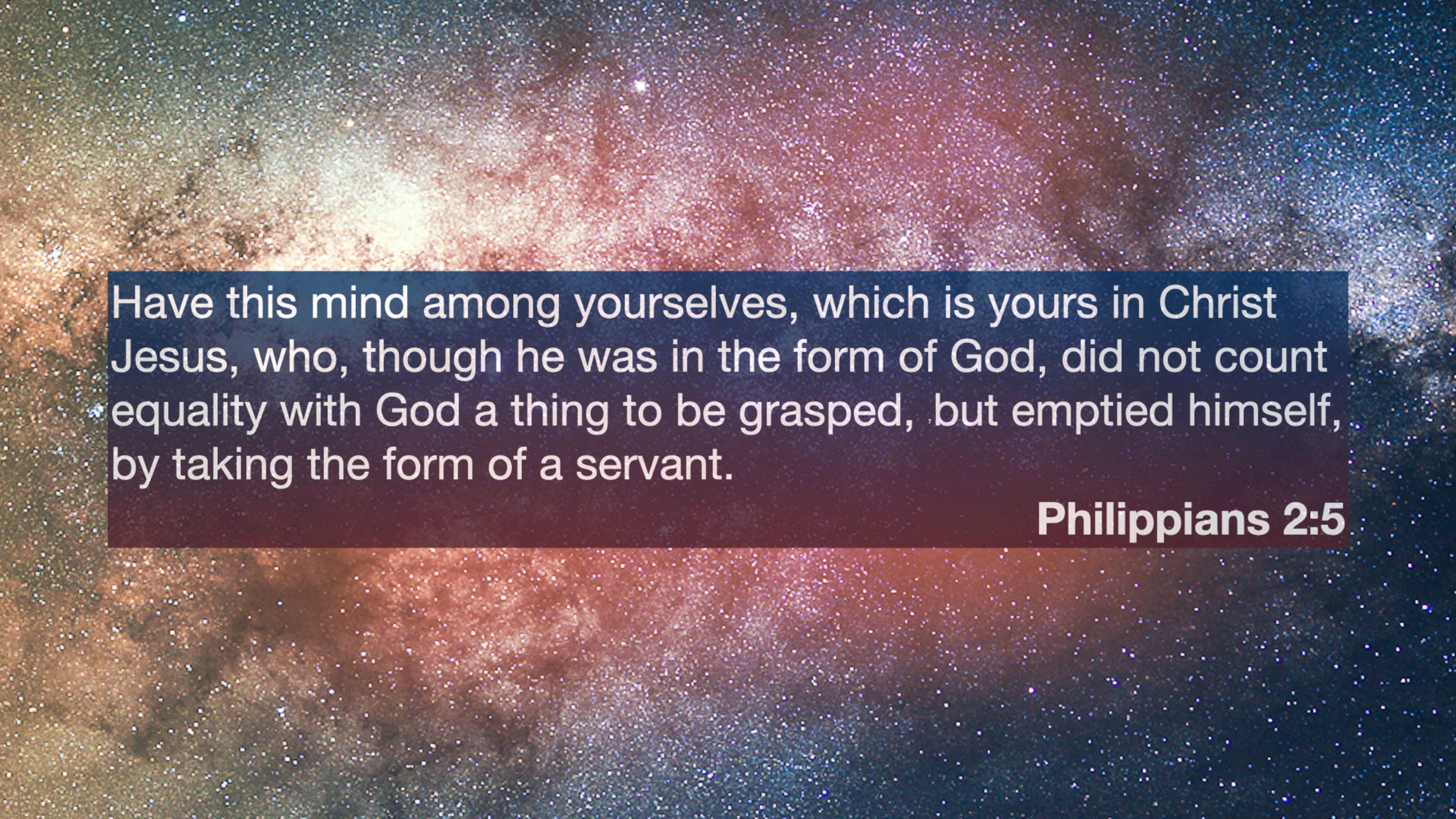


Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 2:3

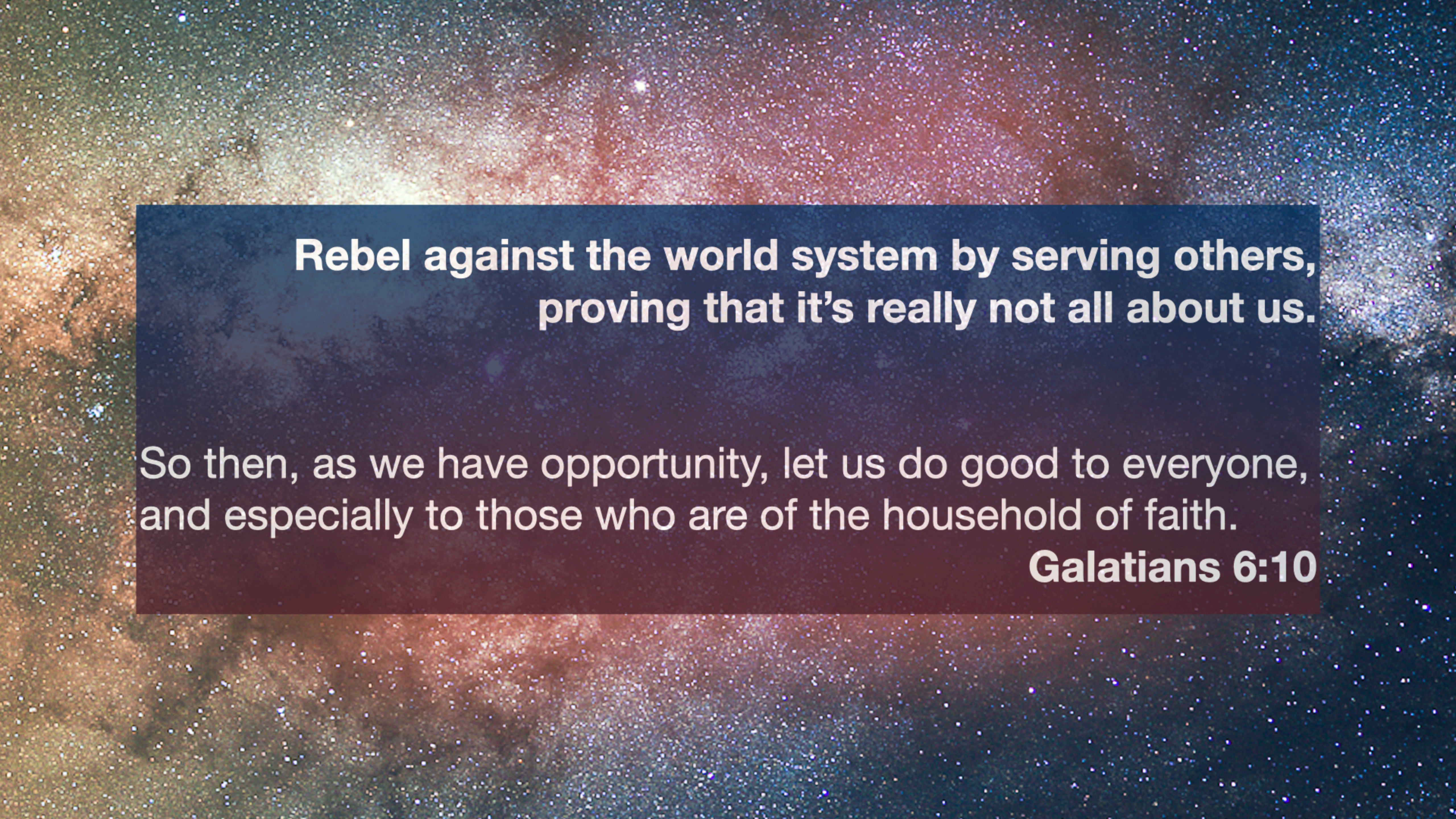


**Being a servant
isn't something
you do— it's
something you
are.**



Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant.

Philippians 2:5



**Rebel against the world system by serving others,
proving that it's really not all about us.**

So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone,
and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

Galatians 6:10

Serving others has changed our lives in many ways. We've realized that as individuals and as a couple we didn't need to be the most talented or the most prepared to serve others. God simply requires a heart willing to give time with humility, respect and love: the same love Jesus has for us. And He does the rest. Serving this way has allowed us to see the great miracles that the Lord does in other people and in us. The experiences that we have lived on this journey have been incredible. There have been times when we were going through challenges, and those were the times that God manifested Himself the greatest— giving us peace, hope and faith to continue, to leave the worries behind and to go out to the mission field. Serving in different ministries has allowed us to witness great miracles. The Lord has transformed so many lives, including ours. He has transformed our hearts radically, and He has reached our family and our marriage more than we could have ever imagined.

Sigi and Alma

I started volunteering a year after seeking to know God, only after much resistance. I was very timid when it came to church-goers and the church community, as I came from a Catholic background. But after finally giving in, I was able to receive the huge blessing that is the Awaken church community. At Beyond specifically, everyone was so patient and kind to me while I learned how to operate behind a coffee counter for the first time. It was with them that I learned that family isn't just made up of those who share genetically similar blood, but family is found in those who know and accept the power of the blood of Christ.

Heather

When I moved to Las Vegas in 2020 during COVID-19, I felt lonely and unloved a lot. But GOD had a plan just for me. HE blessed me to find a wonderful church home with amazing people that always make me feel so loved. Then after a year of taking all of it in, I wanted to give back. So I prayed for a ministry to work in, and then I went to the Leadership class. After the class was completed, the very next Sunday during announcements it was said that they needed volunteers in Production. I had no experience but I was told they needed me and wanted me and that they would teach me all I needed to know. So I have been volunteering as a Pro-presenter operator ever since, and it has been amazing. I see being on one of those cameras in the near future.

Quinette