

An Extraordinary God... Does Extraordinary Work

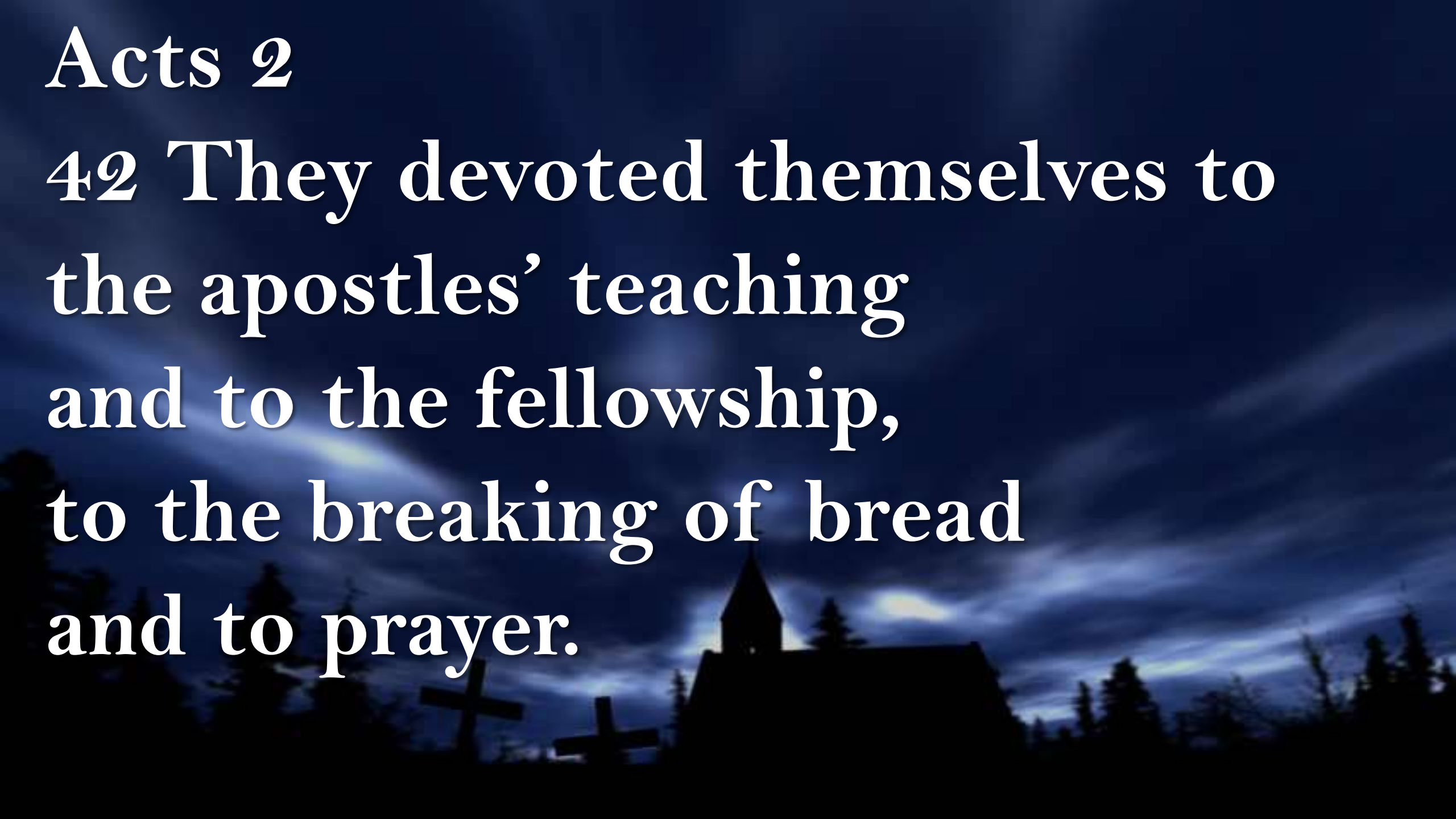
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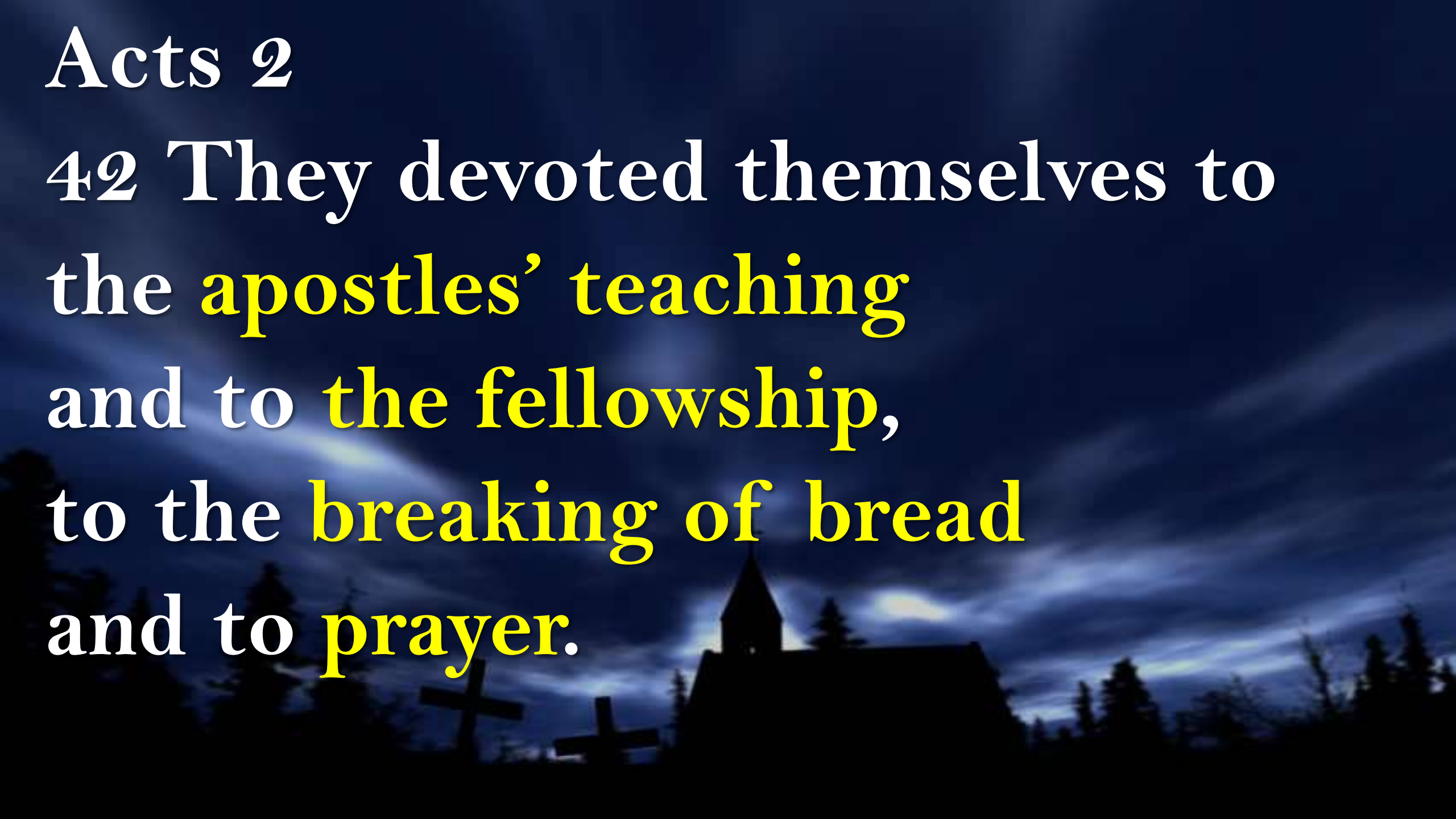
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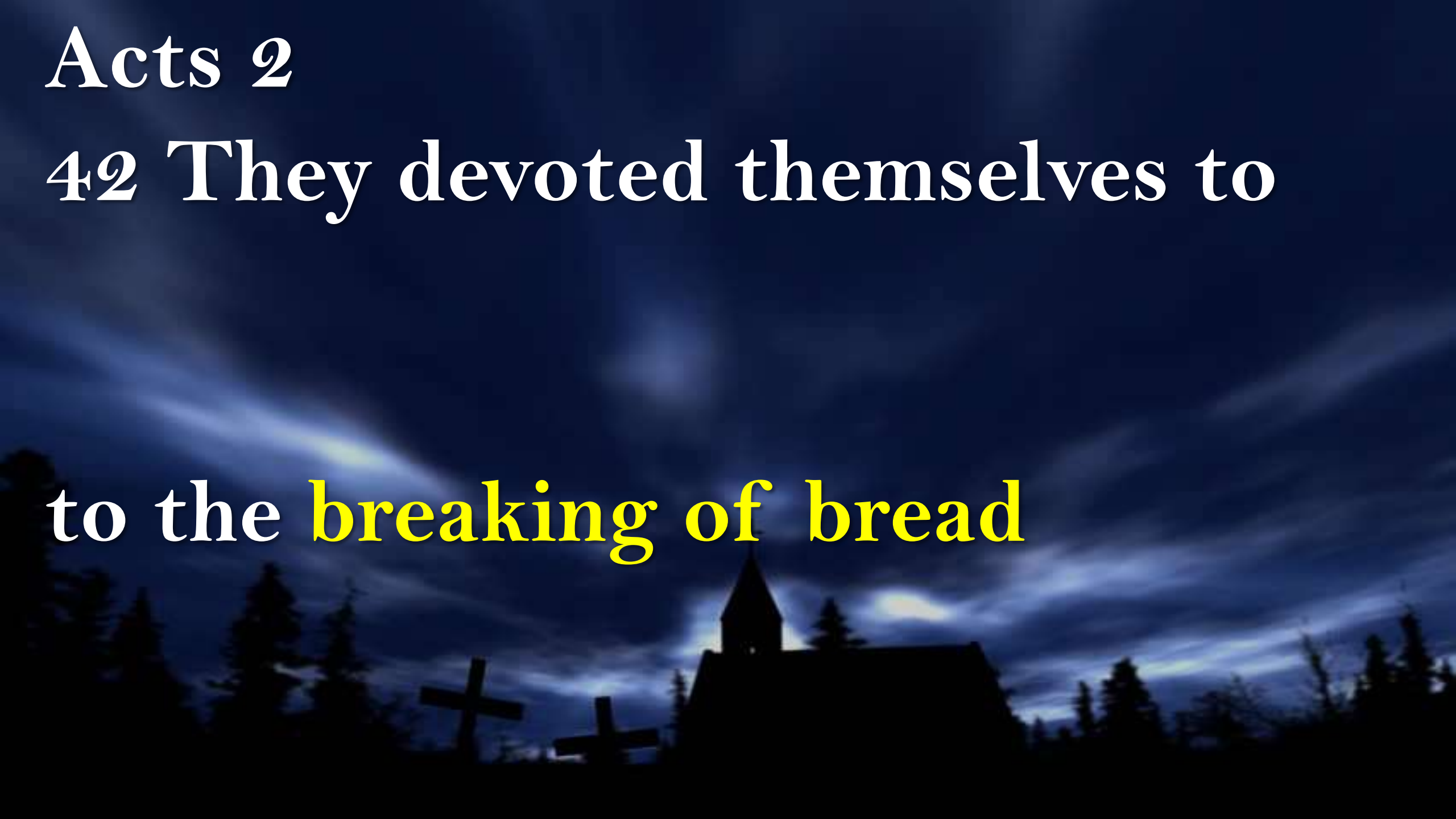
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1 Corinthians 11

23 For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you:

The Lord Jesus, on the night He was betrayed, took bread, 24 and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, “This is My body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me.”



# 1 Corinthians 11

25 In the same way, after supper He took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood;

do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

# The Breaking of Bread

## Seven Reasons Why BOB is a Means of Grace

### 1. The breaking of bread means...

#### REMEMBERING

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# Deuteronomy 6

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5 And you shall love the LORD your  
God with all your heart and with all  
your soul and with all your strength.

6 These words I am commanding you  
today are to be upon your hearts.



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7 And you shall teach them diligently to your children and speak of them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

8 Tie them as reminders on your hands and bind them on your foreheads.

9 Write them on the doorposts of your houses and on your gates.

## Deuteronomy 6

10 And when the LORD your God brings you into the land He swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, that He would give you—

a land with great and splendid cities that you did not build, 11 with houses full of every good thing with which you did not fill them, with wells that you did not dig, and with vineyards and olive groves that you did not plant—and when you eat and are satisfied,

12 be careful not to forget the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

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2. The breaking of bread strengthens my faith in God's COVENANT PROMISES

1 Corinthians 11: 25....

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# Genesis 15

6 Abram believed the LORD, and it was credited to him as righteousness.

8 But Abram replied, “Lord GOD, how can I know that I will possess it?”

9 And the LORD said to him, “Bring Me a heifer, a goat, and a ram, each three years old, along with a turtledove and a young pigeon.”



## Romans 8

31 What then shall we say in response to these things?

If God is for us, who can be against us?

32 He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also, along with Him, freely give us all things?

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3. The breaking of bread satisfies our desire of KNOWING and HONORING CHRIST



## Philippians 3

7 But whatever was gain to me I count as loss for the sake of Christ.

8 More than that, I count all things as loss compared to the surpassing excellence of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have lost all things.

10 I want to know Christ and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to Him in His death,

11 and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead.

## Revelation 5

8 When He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb.

Each one had a harp, and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints.

9 And they sang a new song:



## Revelation 5

“Worthy are You to take the scroll and open its seals, because You were slain, and by Your blood You purchased for God those from every tribe and tongue and people and nation.

10 You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign upon the earth.”

## Revelation 5

11 Then I looked, and I heard the voices of many angels and living creatures and elders encircling the throne, and their number was myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands.

12 In a loud voice they were saying:

“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and blessing!”

## Revelation 5

13 And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying:

“To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb

be praise and honor and glory and power forever and ever!”

14 And the four living creatures said, “Amen,” and the elders fell down and worshiped.

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4. The breaking of bread focuses us on

WHAT GOD HAS DONE

rather than on what we must do

Law and Gospel

Imperative and Indicative



## 2 Corinthians 13

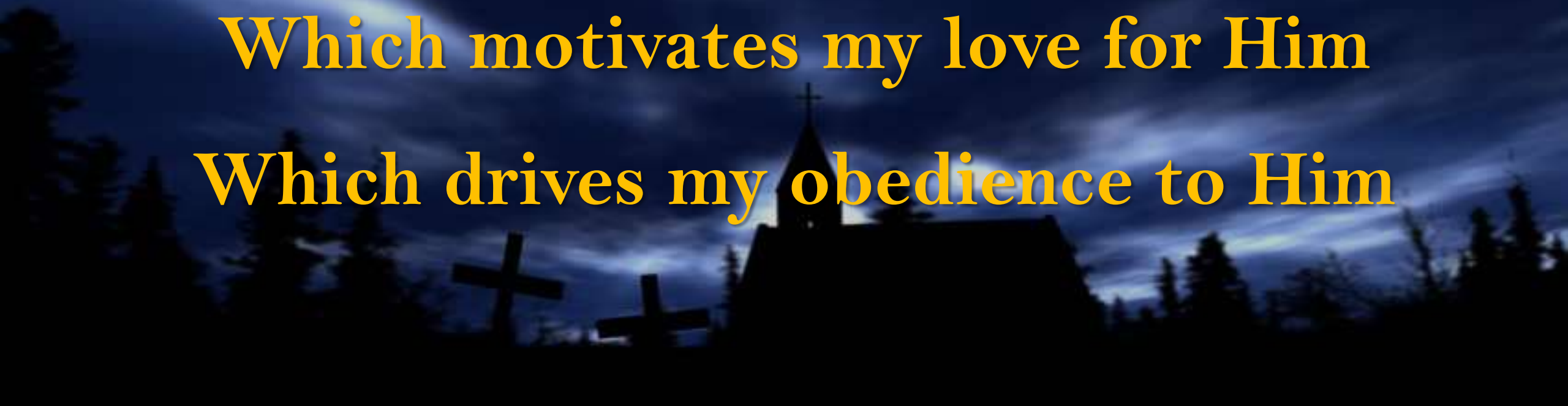
18 But we all, with unveiled face,  
beholding as in a mirror the glory of the  
Lord,  
are being transformed into the same image  
from glory to glory, just as from the Lord,  
the Spirit.

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5. The breaking of bread reinforces  
GOD'S LOVE FOR ME

Which motivates my love for Him  
Which drives my obedience to Him



# John 3

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6. The breaking of bread is a way of  
FIXING OUR EYES ON WHAT IS UNSEEN

2 Corinthians 4

18 So we fix our eyes not on what is seen,  
but on what is unseen. For what is seen is  
temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

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7. The breaking of bread recognizes that  
WE ARE ALL UNITED “IN CHRIST”

1 Corinthians 10

17 Because there is one loaf, we who are  
many are one body;  
for we all partake of the one loaf.

## Colossians 3

9 Do not lie to one another, since you have taken off the **old self** with its practices,

10 and have put on the **new self**, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator.

11 Here there is no Greek or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, or free, but Christ is all and is in all.



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