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## LUKE 12

<sup>13</sup> Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." <sup>14</sup> Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?"





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<sup>15</sup> Then he said to them,  
"Watch out! Be on your guard  
against all kinds of greed; life  
does not consist in an  
abundance of possessions."





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<sup>16</sup> And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. <sup>17</sup> He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.'





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<sup>18</sup> "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain.'





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<sup>19</sup> And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink, and be merry."<sup>20</sup> "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night, your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?'





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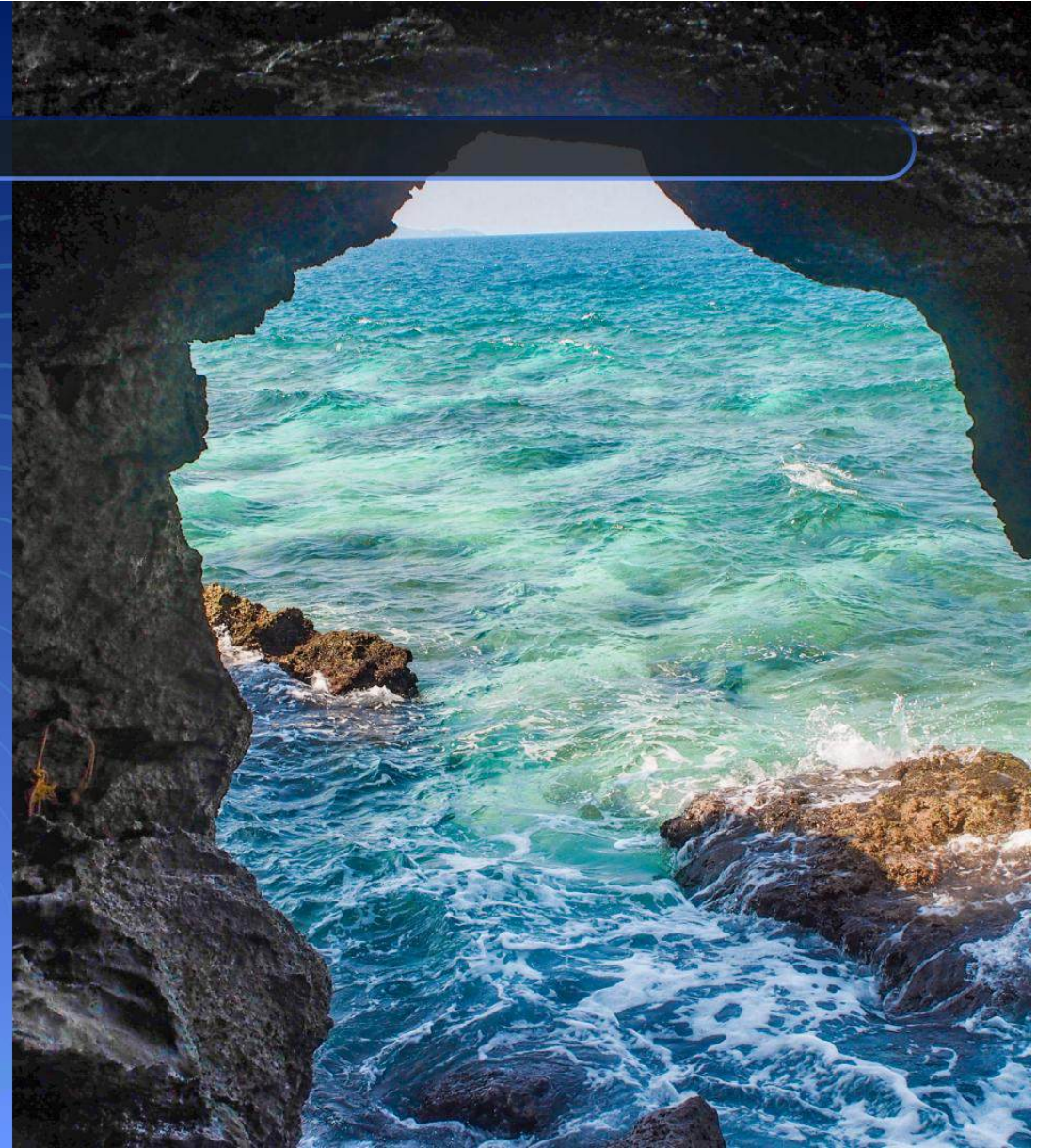
<sup>21</sup> "This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God."





# 1 TIMOTHY 1:19

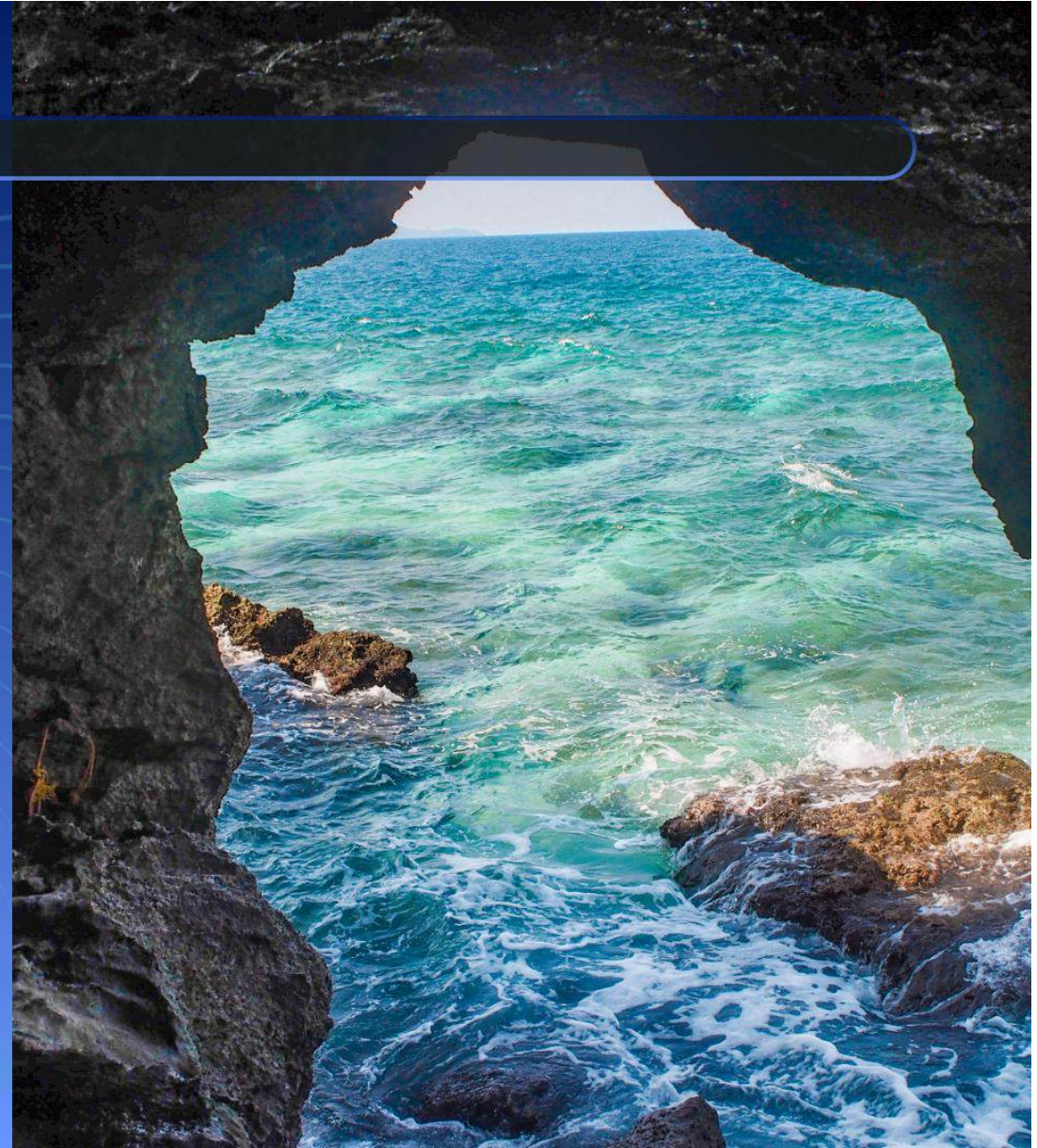
Holding on to faith and a good conscience, which some have rejected and so have suffered shipwreck with regard to the faith.





# 1 TIMOTHY 4:16

Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers.





# EXODUS 20:17

You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male or female servant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.





# COVET

- Desire for more
- Dissatisfaction with what you have
- Desire for something that belongs to another





# 1 TIMOTHY 6:6 – 10

<sup>6</sup> But godliness with contentment is great gain. <sup>7</sup>  
For we brought nothing into  
the world, and we can take  
nothing out of it.





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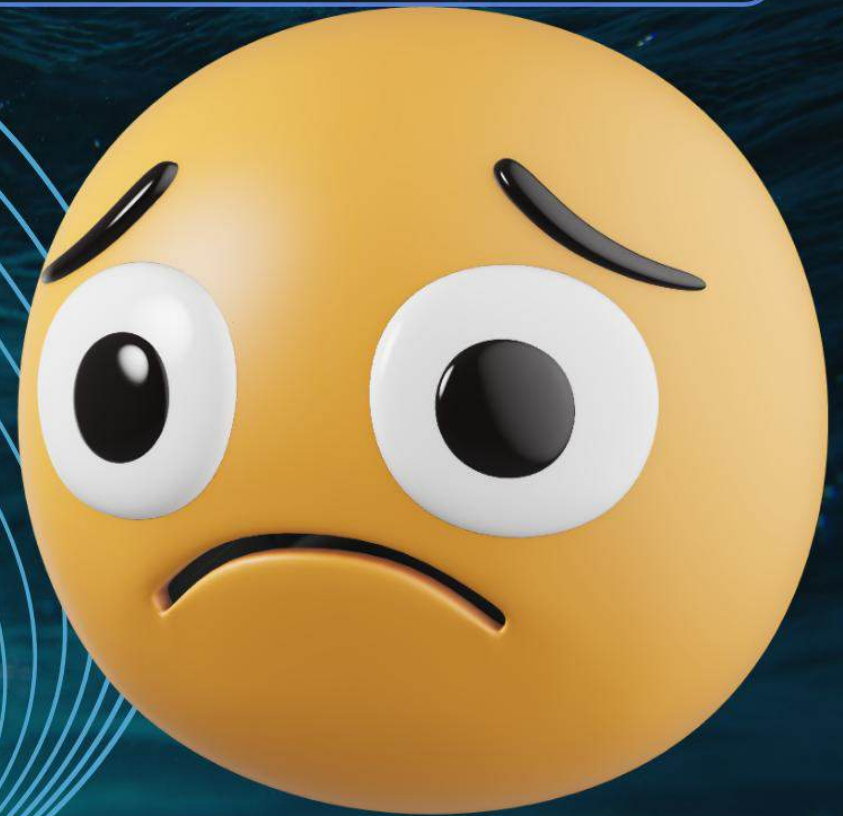
<sup>8</sup> But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.





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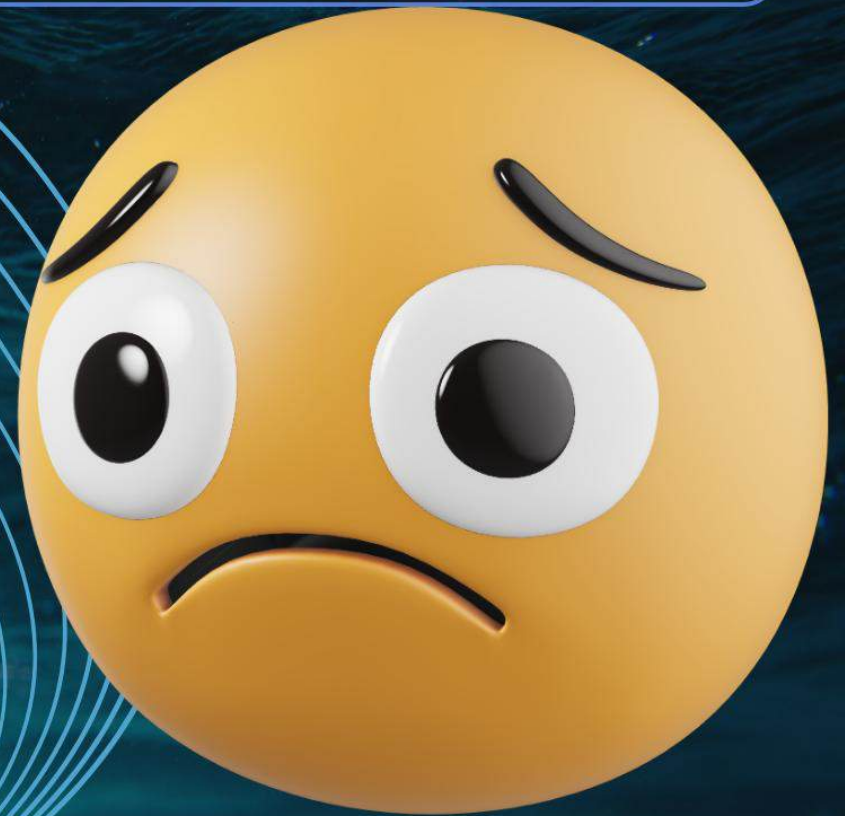
<sup>9</sup> Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.





## 1 TIMOTHY 6:6 – 10

<sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.





## PHILIPPIANS 4:12 – 13

<sup>12</sup> I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. <sup>13</sup> I can do all this through him who gives me strength.





# PROVERBS 22:7

The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is a slave to the lender.





# PROVERBS 13:11

Wealth from get-rich-quick schemes quickly disappears; wealth from hard work grows over time. (NLT)





## ROMANS 13:8

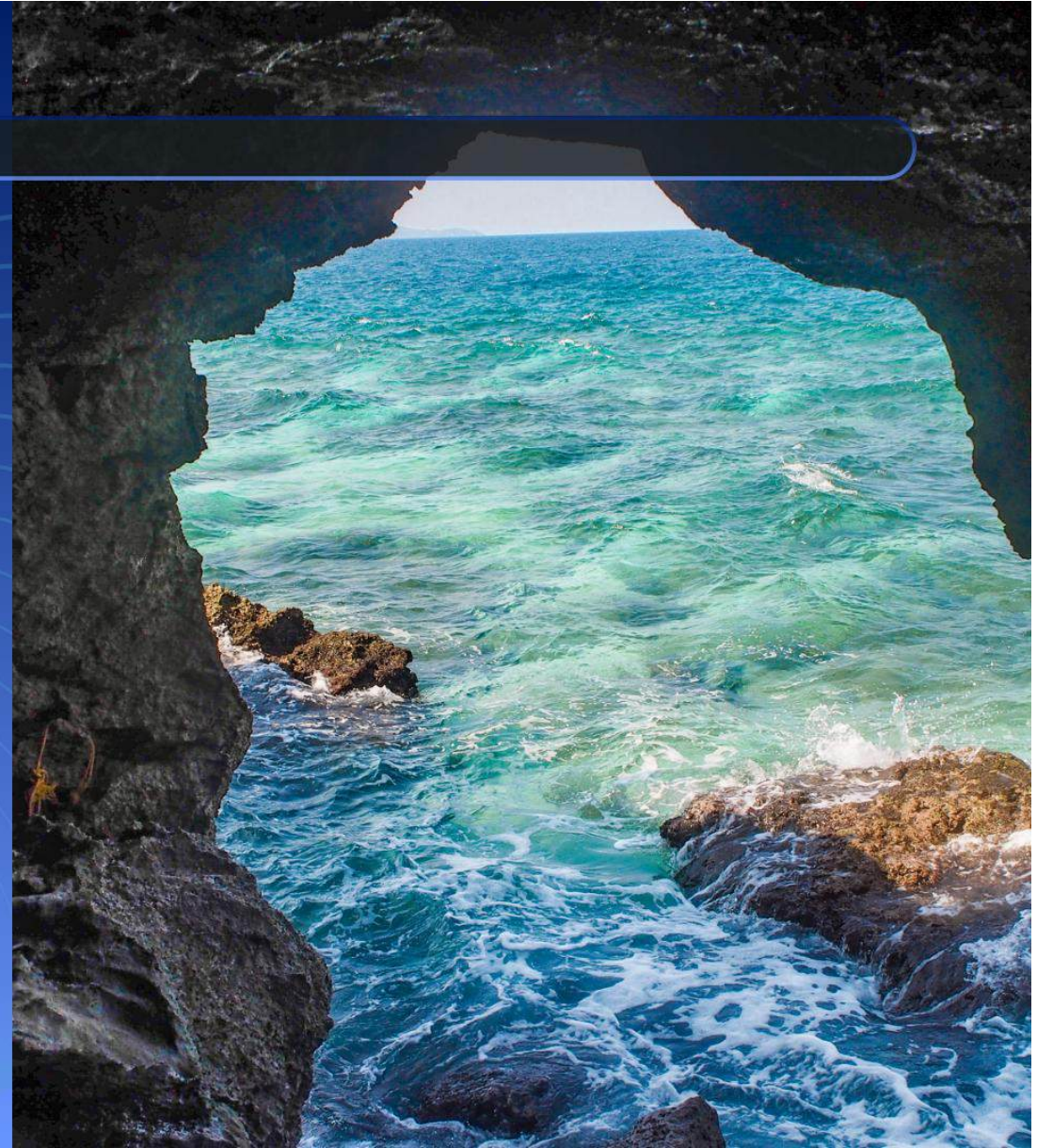
Let no debt remain outstanding, **except** the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law.





# 1 TIMOTHY 6:10

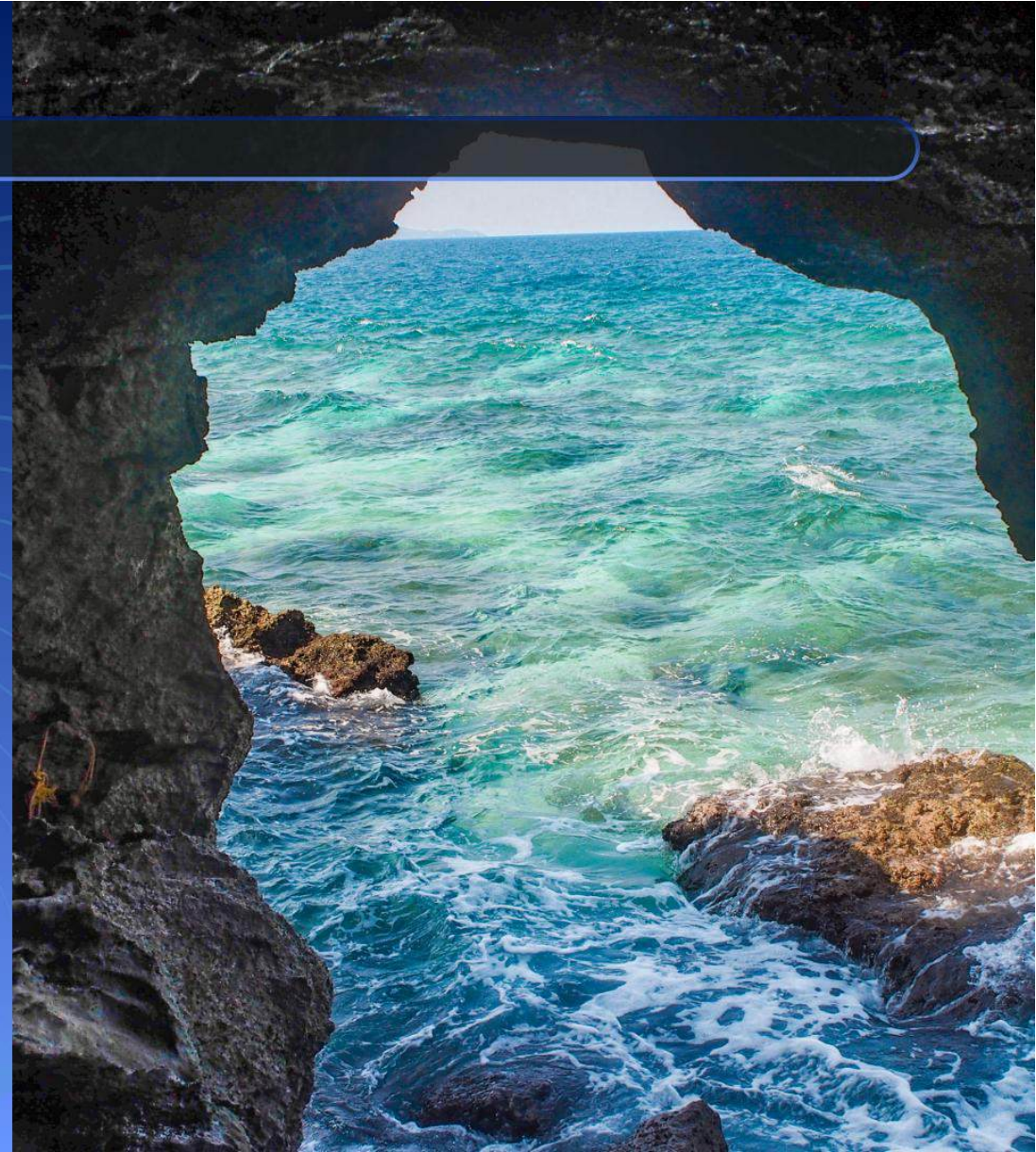
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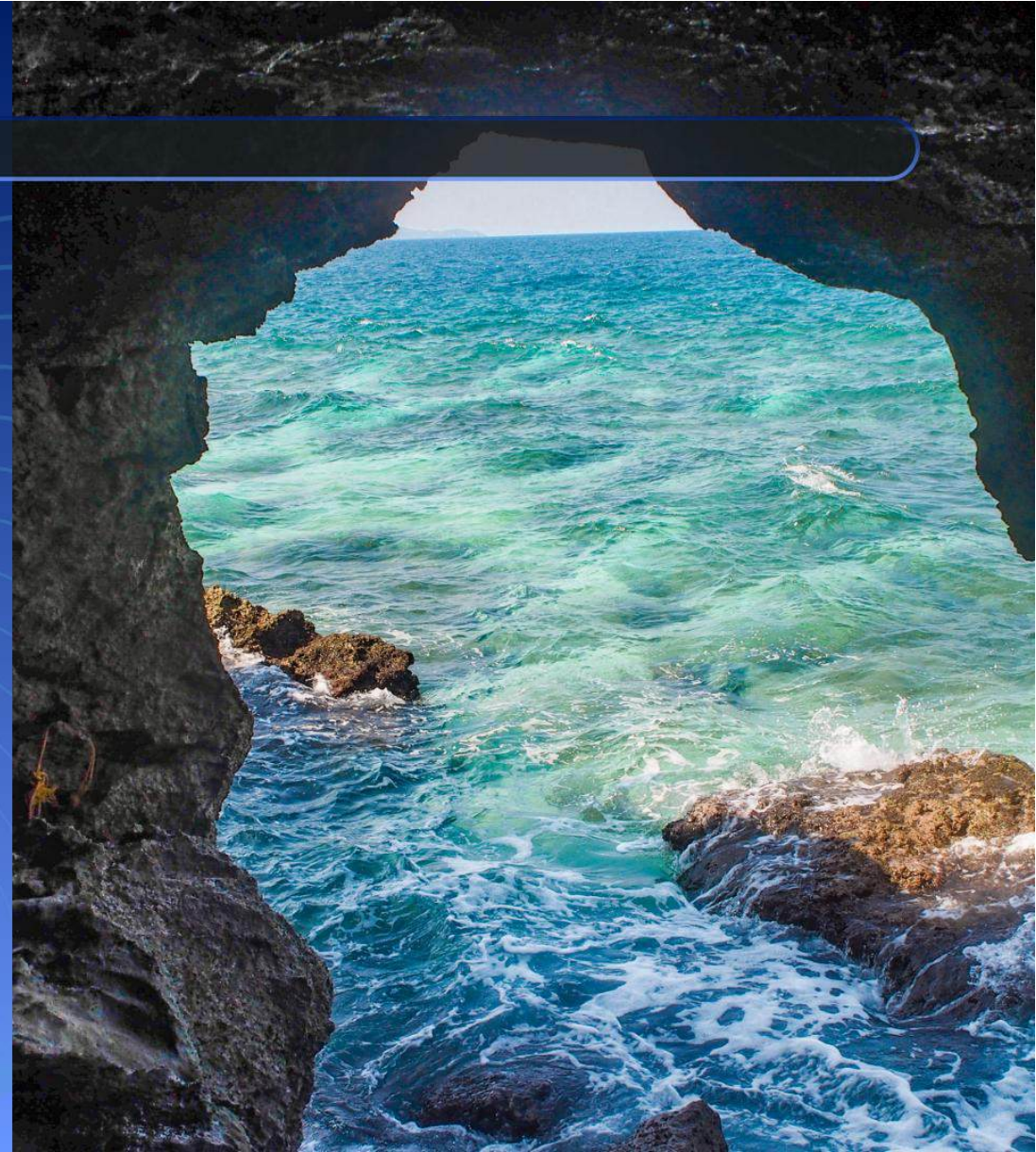
<sup>1</sup> My brothers and sisters, believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ, must not show favoritism. <sup>2</sup> Suppose a man comes into your meeting wearing a gold ring and fine clothes, and a poor man in filthy old clothes also comes in.





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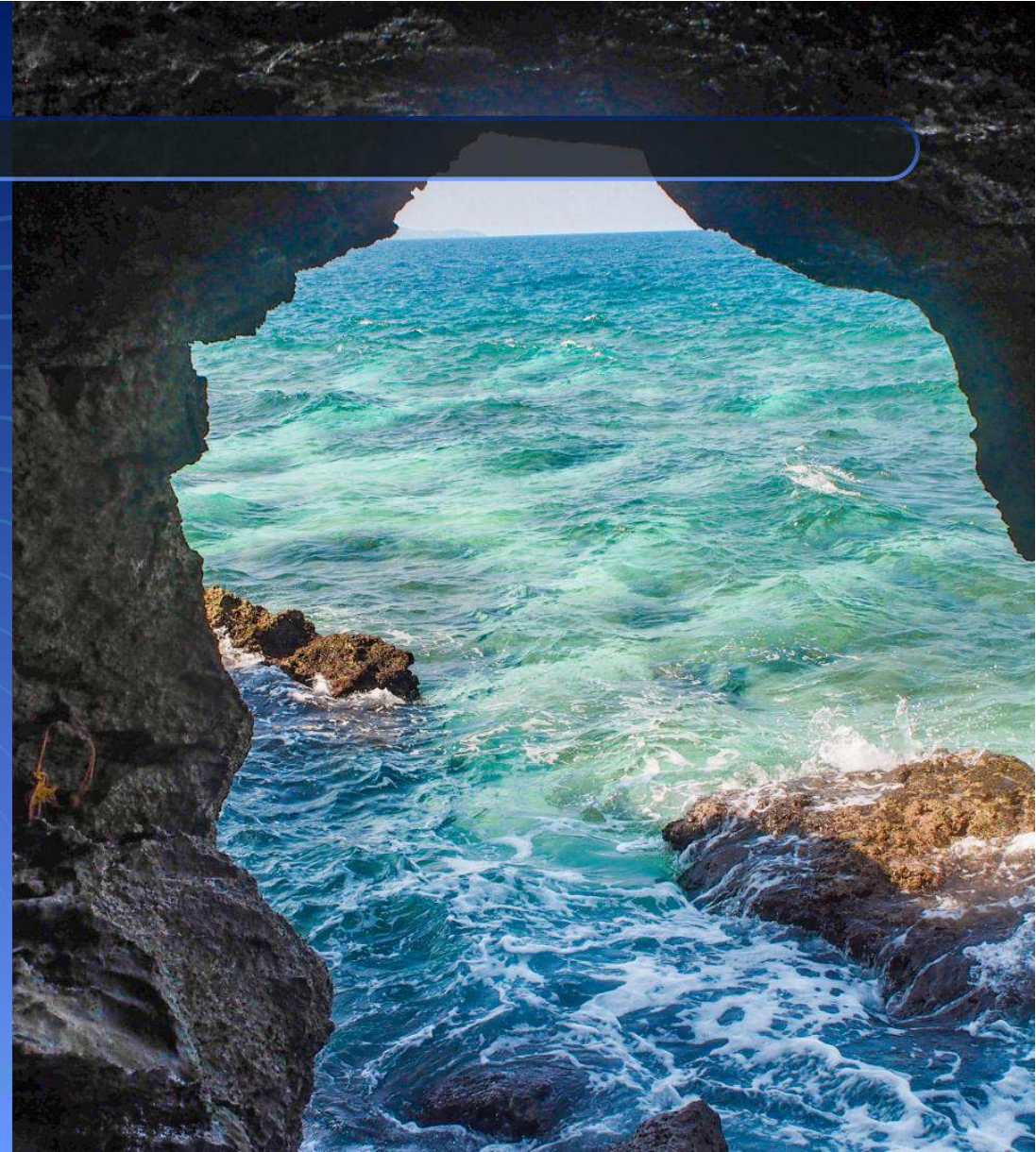
<sup>3</sup> If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say, "Here's a good seat for you," but say to the poor man, "You stand there" or "Sit on the floor by my feet," <sup>4</sup> have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts?





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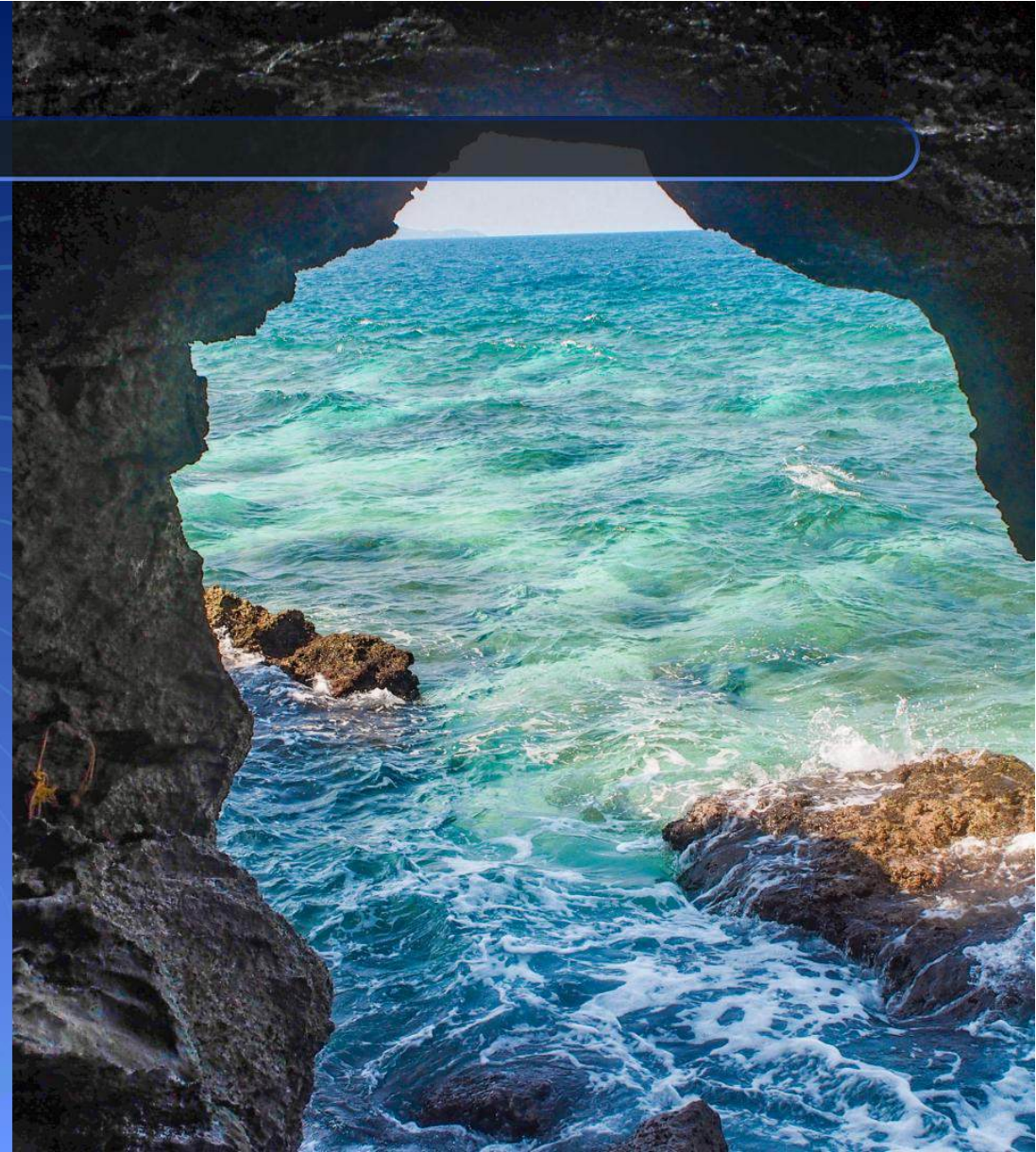
<sup>5</sup> Listen, my dear brothers and sisters: Has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him?





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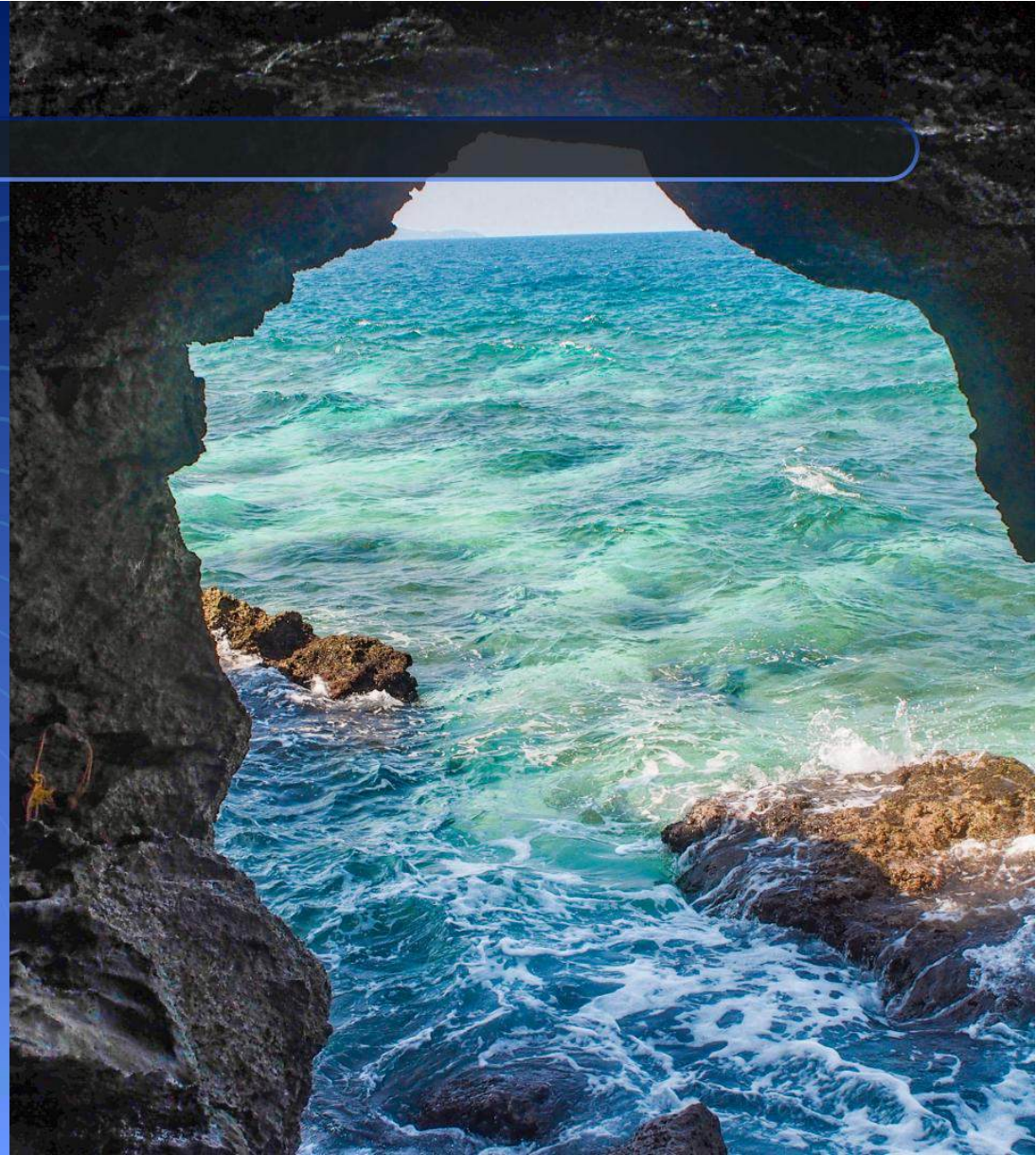
<sup>6</sup> But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who are exploiting you? Are they not the ones who are dragging you into court? <sup>7</sup> Are they not the ones who are blaspheming the noble name of him to whom you belong?





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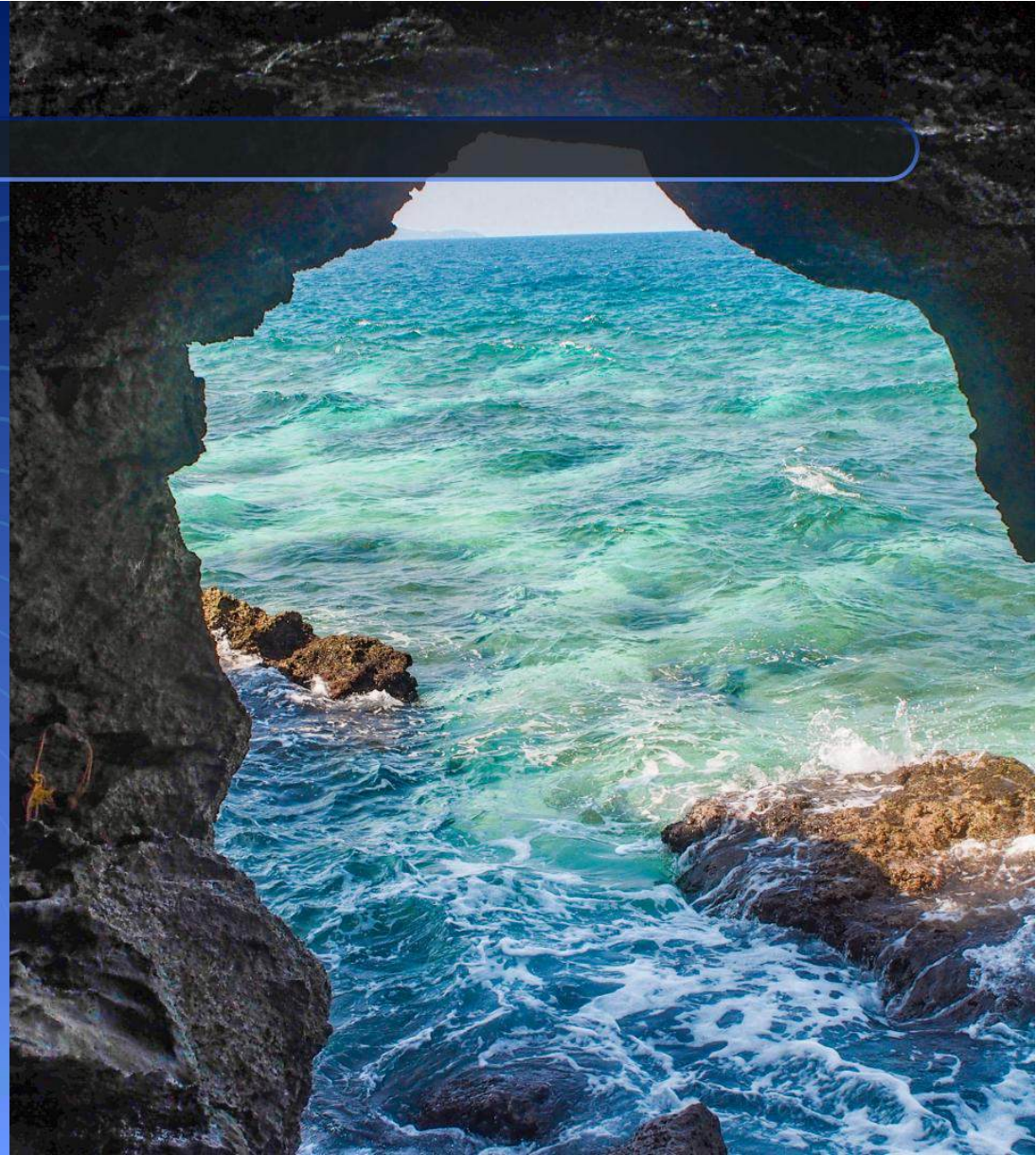
<sup>8</sup> If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, “Love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing right. <sup>9</sup> But if you show favoritism, you sin and are convicted by the law as lawbreakers.





## JAMES 2:1 – 10

<sup>10</sup> For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it.





# FOUR PRINCIPLES THAT CAN HELP YOU AVOID SHIPWRECK IN AN AREA OF FINANCES

1. *Maintain a posture of obedience and gratitude in regard to finances.*



# FOUR PRINCIPLES THAT CAN HELP YOU AVOID SHIPWRECK IN AN AREA OF FINANCES

*2. Be vigilant and discerning regarding temptation.*





# FOUR PRINCIPLES THAT CAN HELP YOU AVOID SHIPWRECK IN AN AREA OF FINANCES

3. *Use wisdom concerning your accounting practices.*





# FOUR PRINCIPLES THAT CAN HELP YOU AVOID SHIPWRECK IN AN AREA OF FINANCES

4. *Invest in savings and retirement.*





## MATTHEW 7:24 – 25

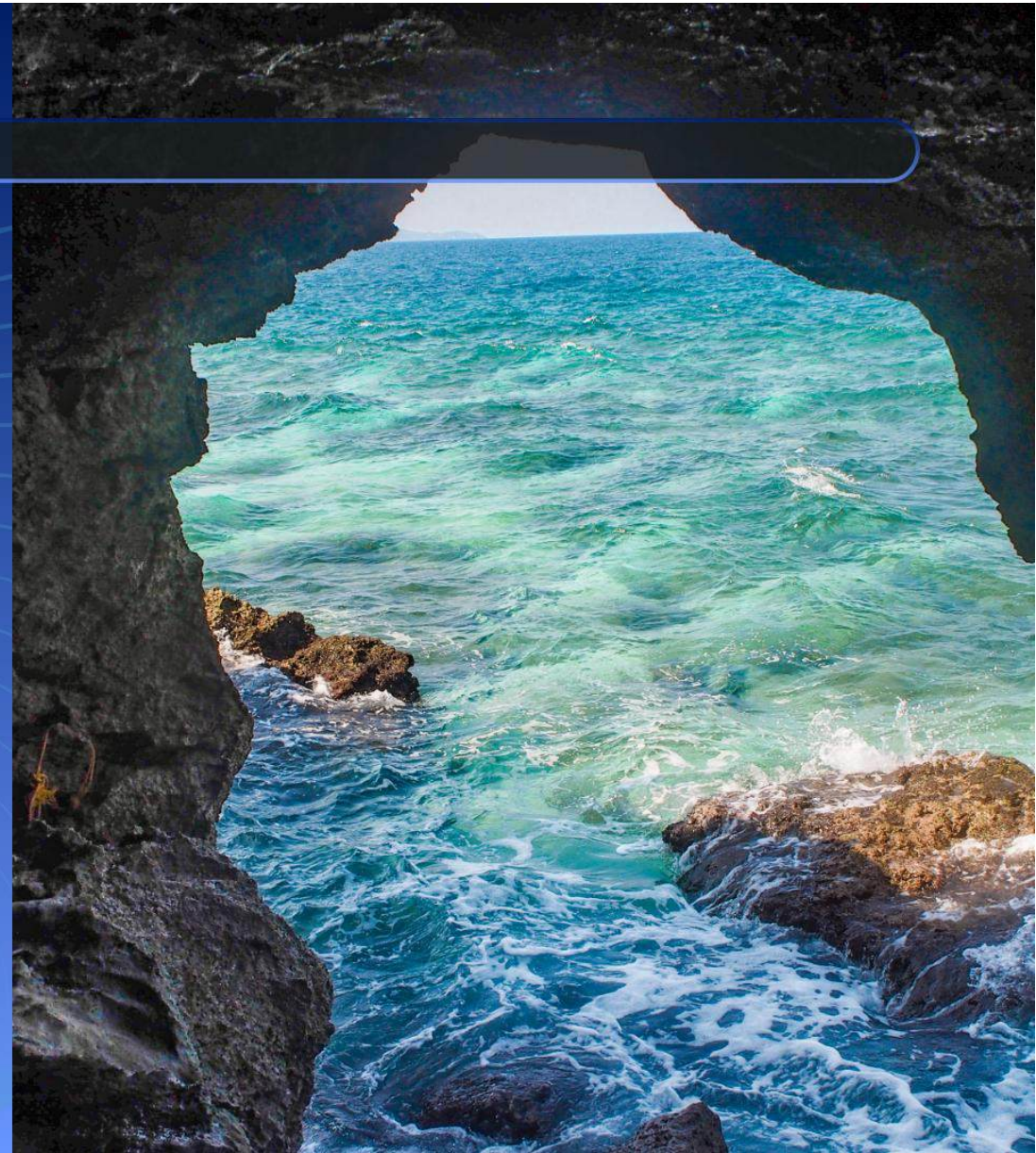
<sup>24</sup>“Therefore, everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house **on the rock**. <sup>25</sup>The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation **on the rock**.





## HOW WISE ARE WE WHEN IT COMES TO OUR FINANCES?

- Are we good stewards of our finances?
- Do we find ourselves constantly in debt?
- Do we find ourselves coveting and trying to keep up with the Joneses?



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