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—Judges 21:25

19:1 **In those days, when there was no king** in Israel, a certain Levite was sojourning in the remote parts of the hill country of Ephraim, who took to himself a concubine from Bethlehem in Judah.

—Judges 19:1

“The autonomous self, which our culture encourages, is the most dangerous entity imaginable—because knowing no limits other than what is right in its own eyes, the autonomous self leads to both personal and social disintegration.”

—Walker Percy

Big Idea

“Self-law,” or the autonomous self,
leads toward both personal
and social disintegration.

²² As they were making their hearts merry, behold, the men of the city, worthless fellows, surrounded the house, beating on the door. And they said to the old man, the master of the house, “Bring out the man who came into your house, that we may know him.”

—Judges 19:22

23 And the man, the master of the house, went out to them and said to them, “No, my brothers, do not act so wickedly; since this man has come into my house, do not do this vile thing.

—Judges 19:23

24 Behold, here are my virgin daughter and his concubine. Let me bring them out now. Violate them and do with them what seems good to you, but against this man do not do this outrageous thing.”

—Judges 19:24

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²⁶ And as morning appeared, the woman came and fell down at the door of the man's house where her master was, until it was light.

—Judges 19:25-26

27 And her master rose up in the morning, and when he opened the doors of the house and went out to go on his way, behold, there was his concubine lying at the door of the house, with her hands on the threshold.

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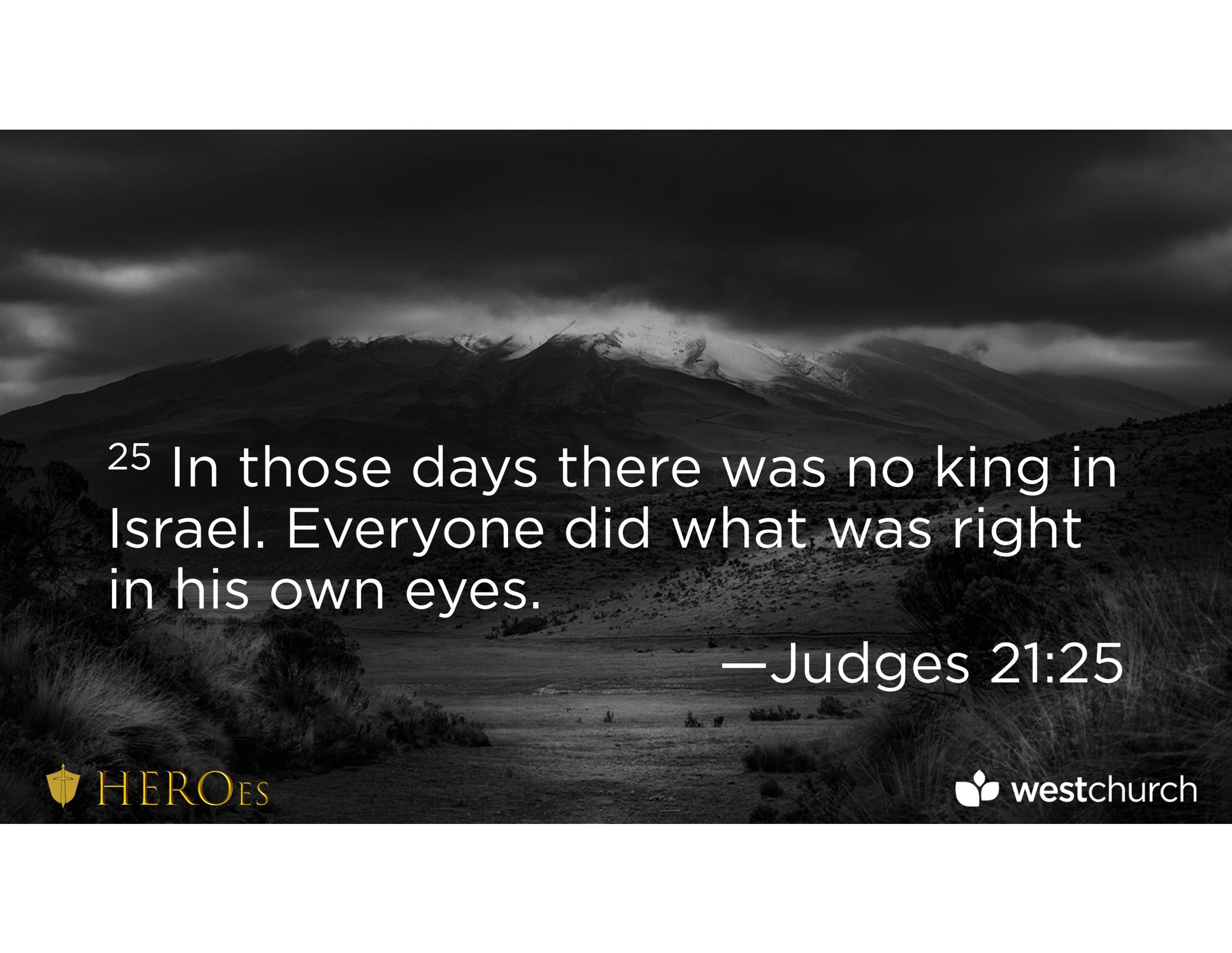
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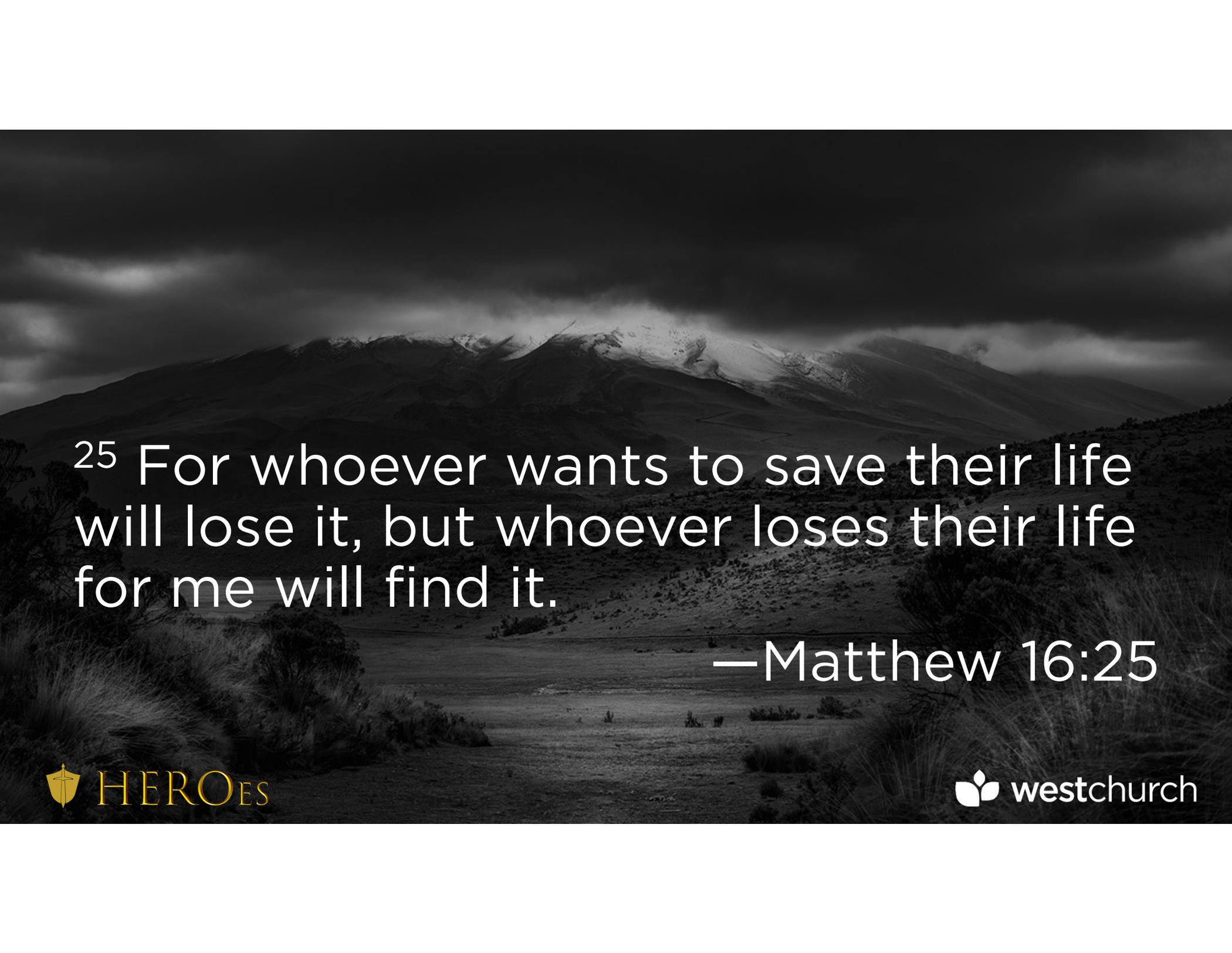
29 And when he entered his house, he took a knife, and taking hold of his concubine he divided her, limb by limb, into twelve pieces, and sent her throughout all the territory of Israel.

—Judges 19:29



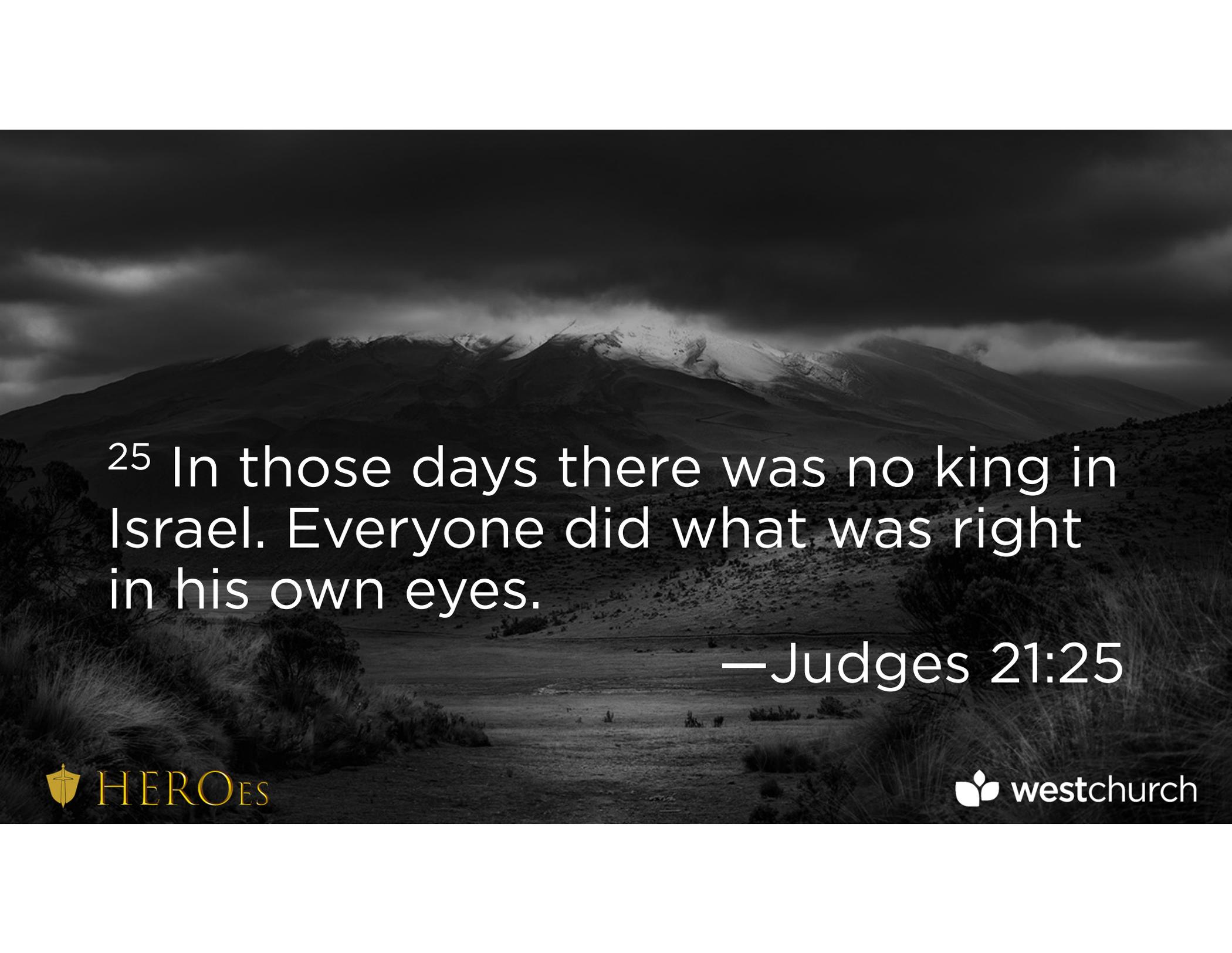
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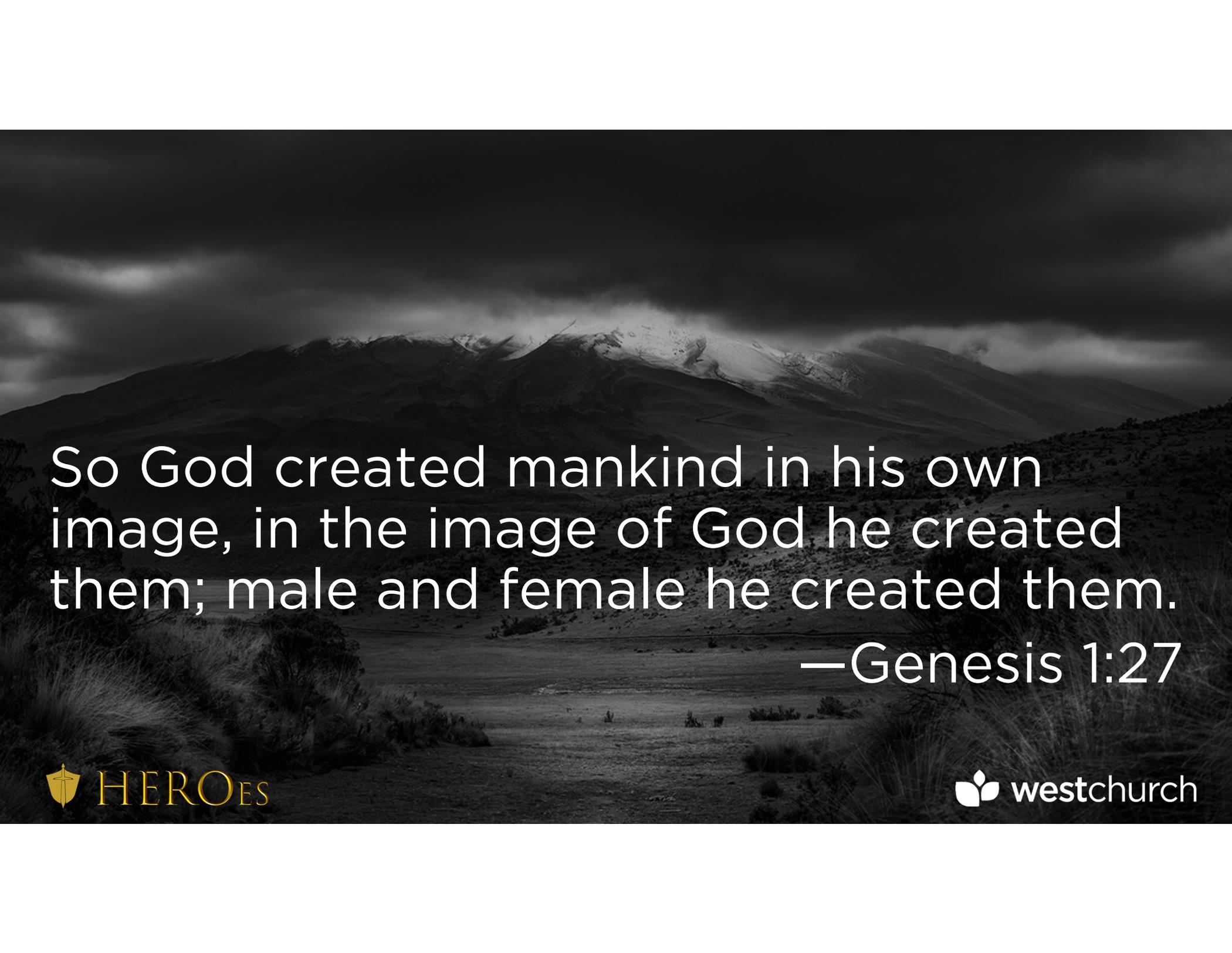
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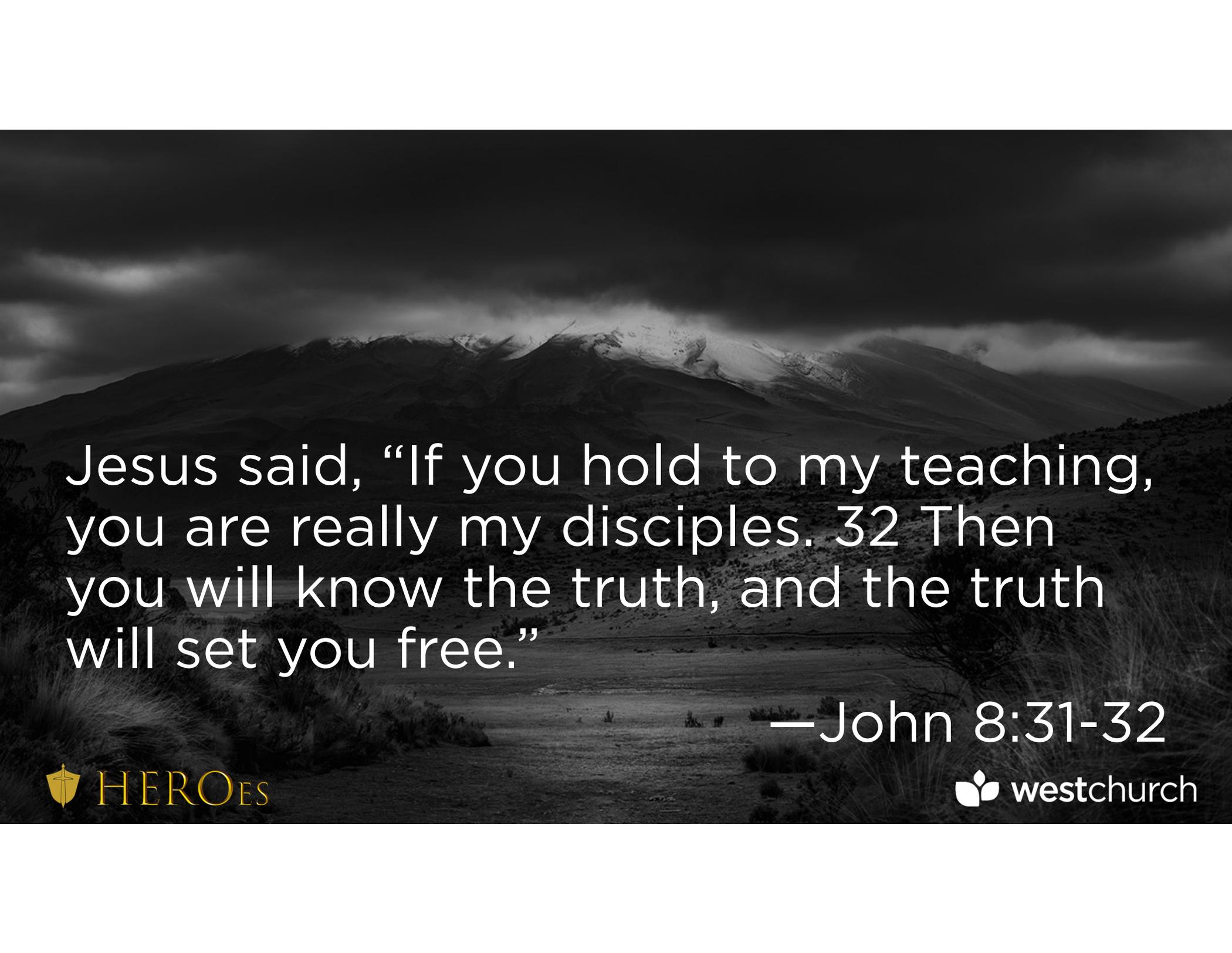
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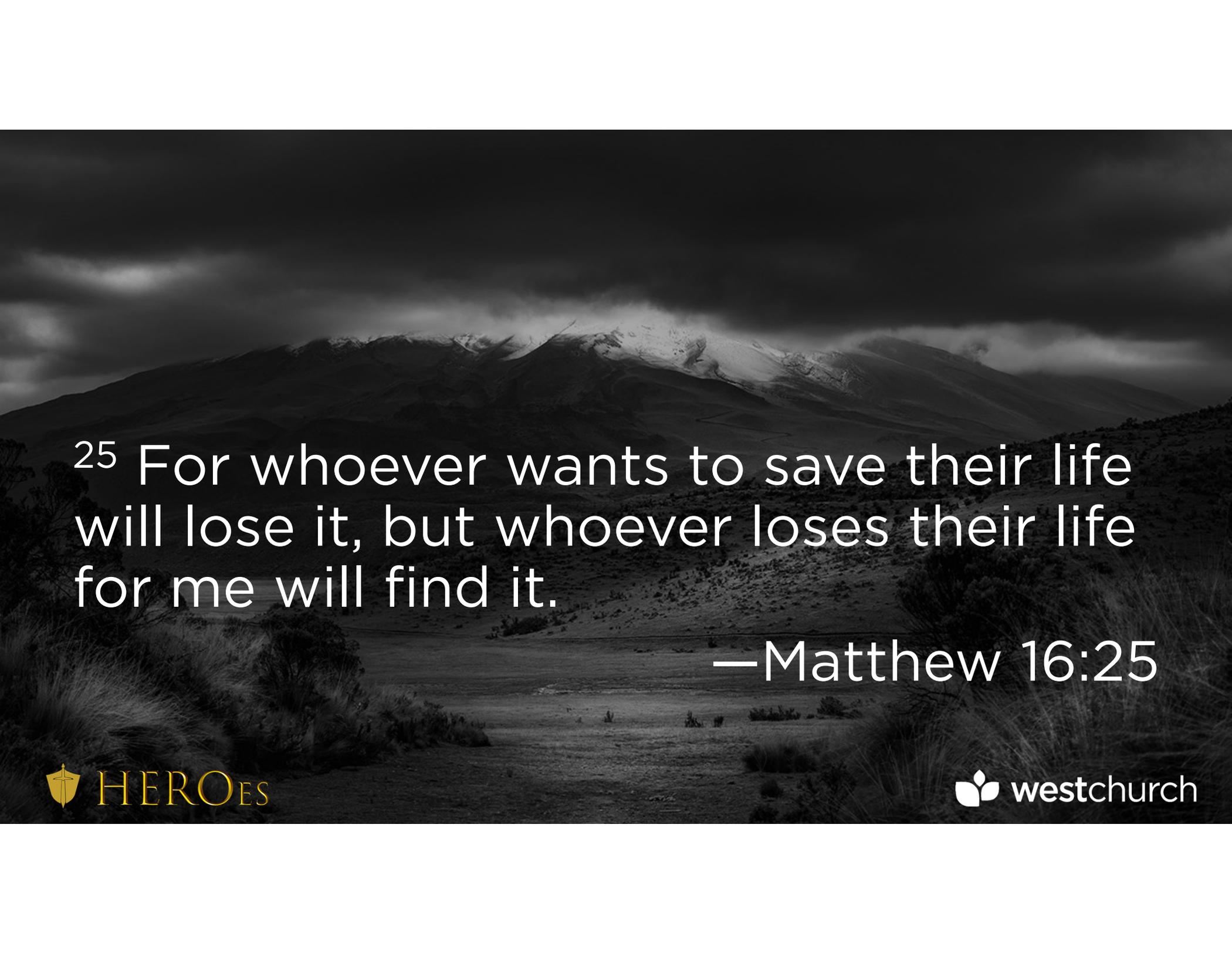
So God created mankind in his own
image, in the image of God he created
them; male and female he created them.

—Genesis 1:27



Jesus said, “If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. 32 Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

—John 8:31-32



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