

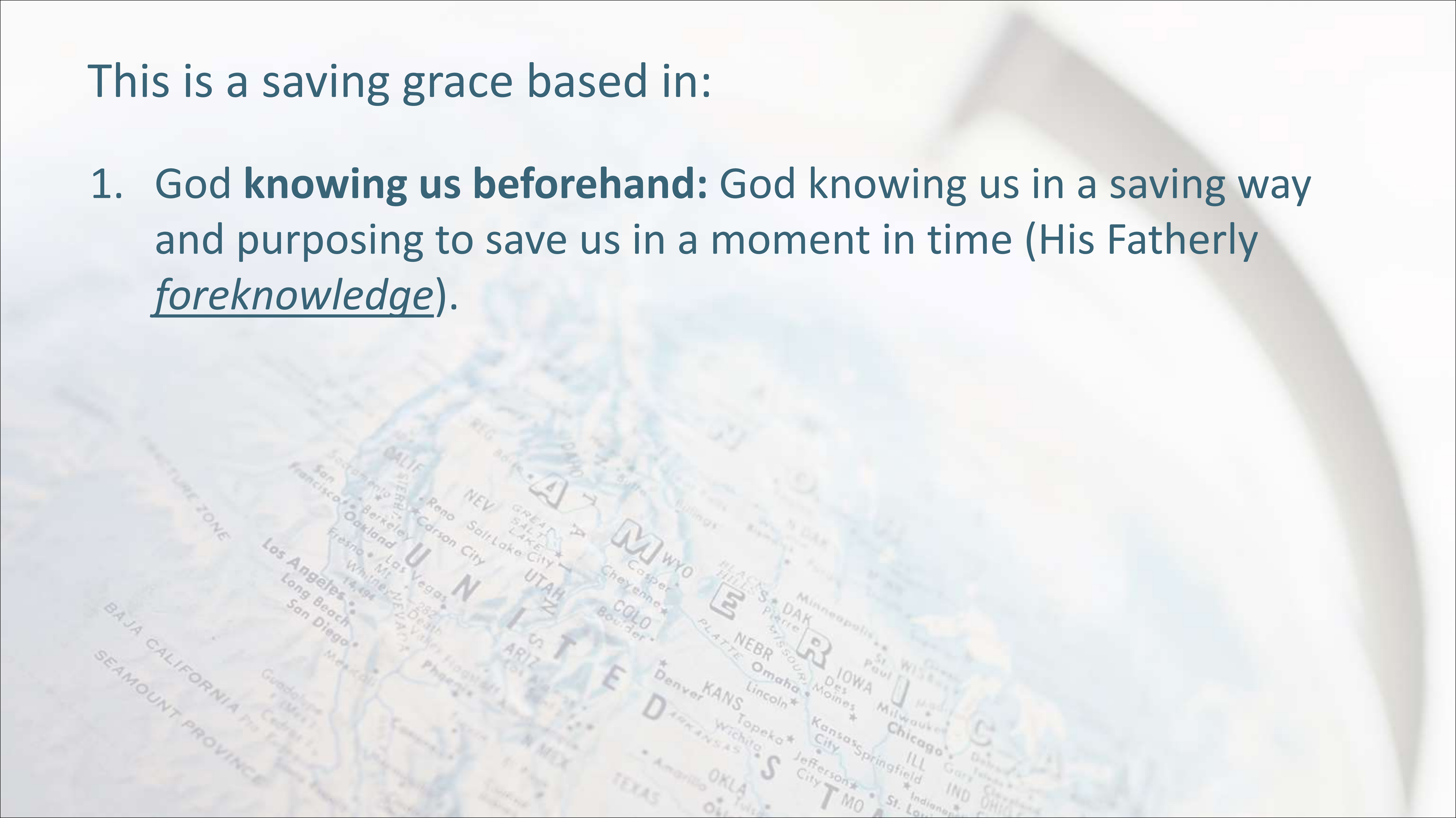
A Living Hope for Hopeful Living

1 Peter 1:3

1 Peter Series: Holy Living in a Hostile Land

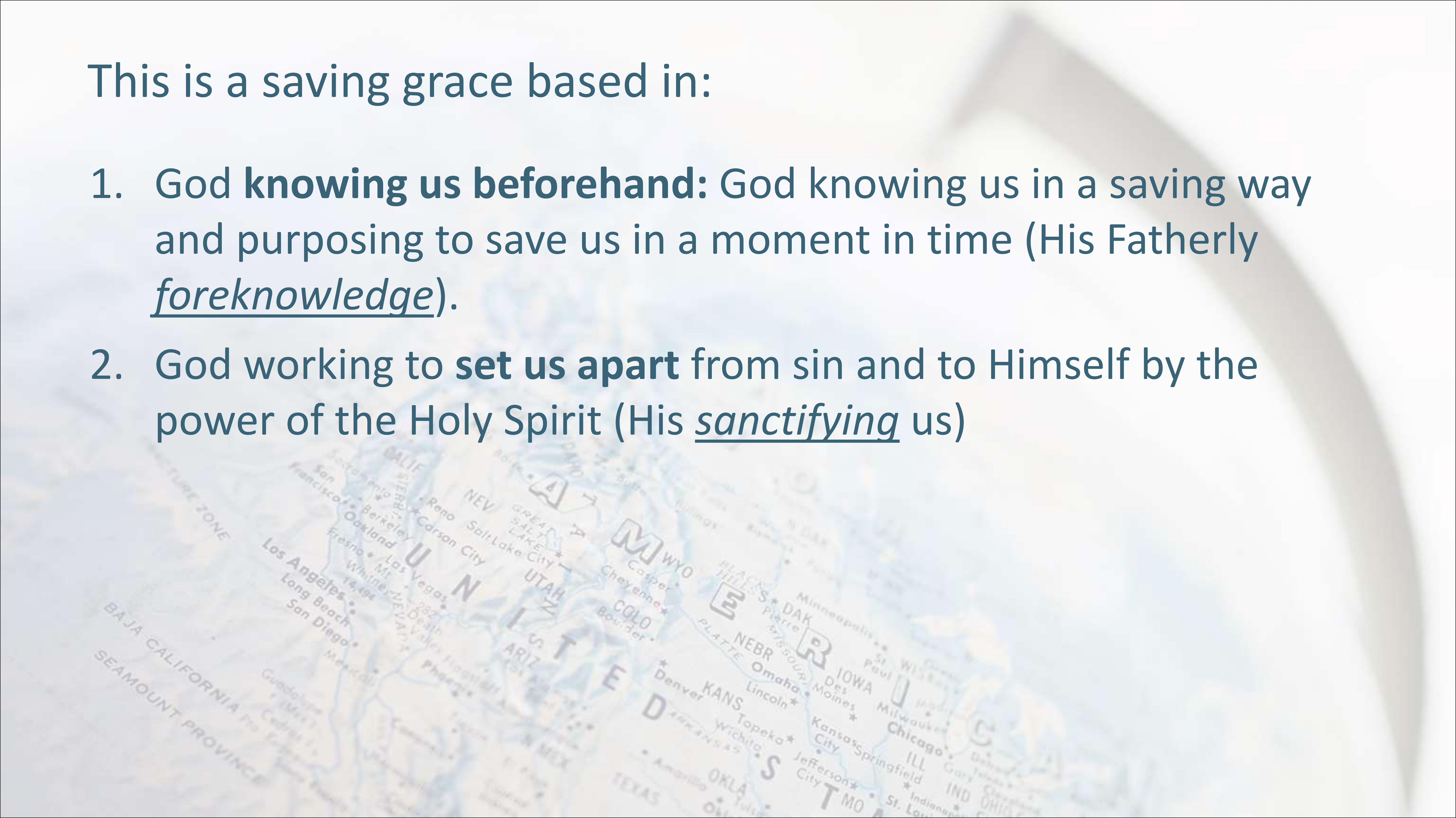
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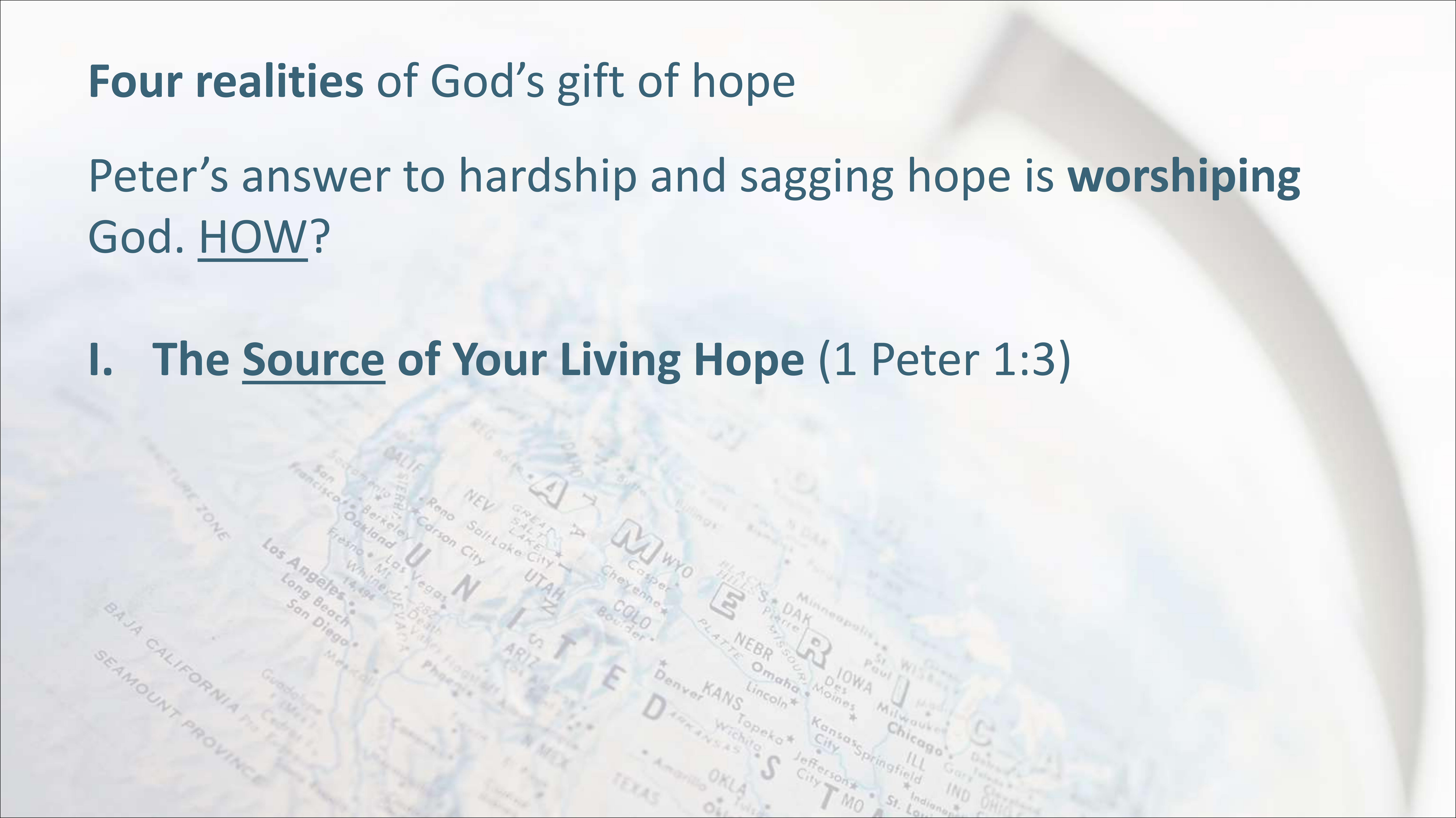
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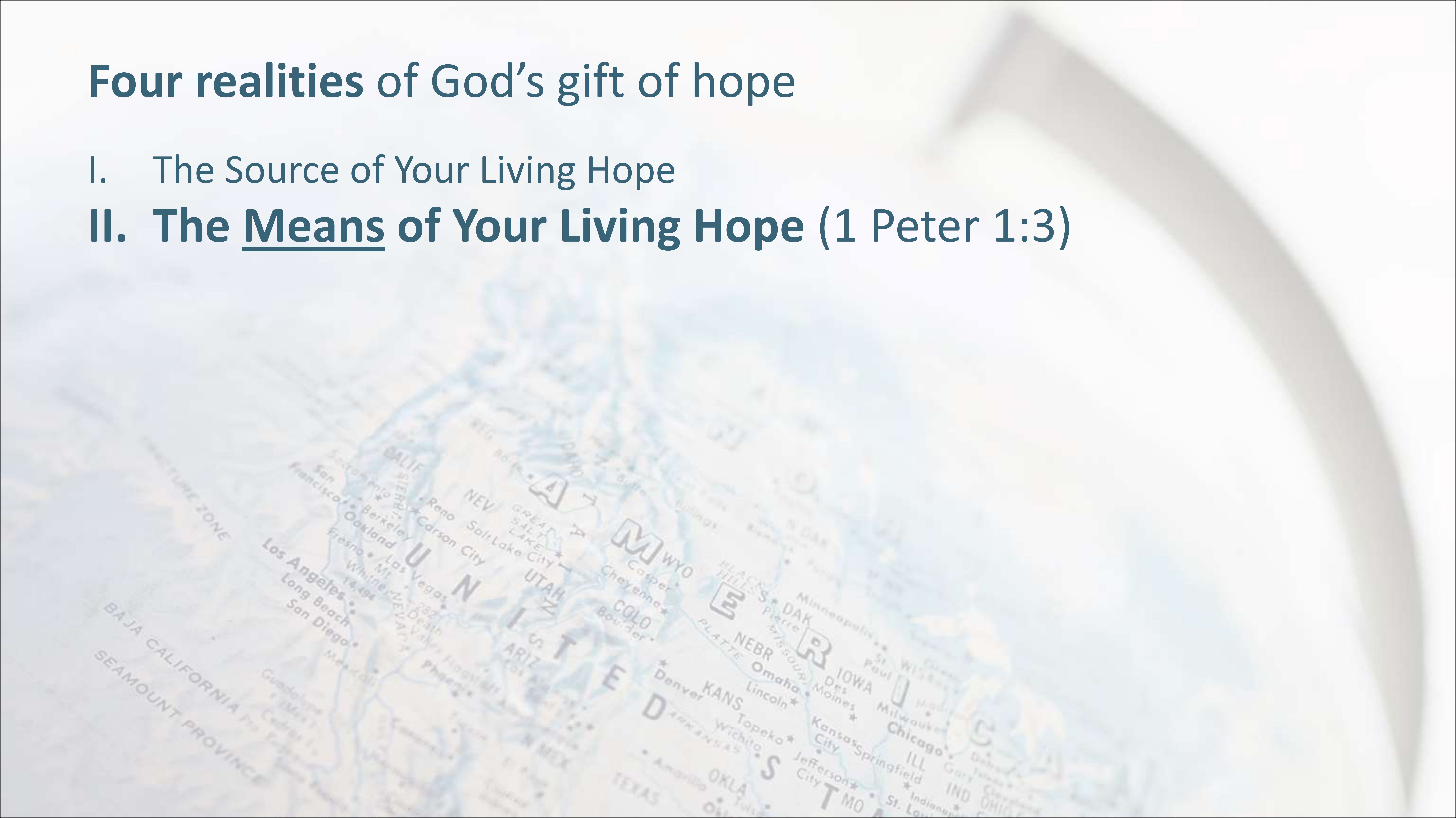
Logos refers to word or speaking—it's **what we can say** about the glory of God.

We **speak of and to** God's glory when we offer a doxology.

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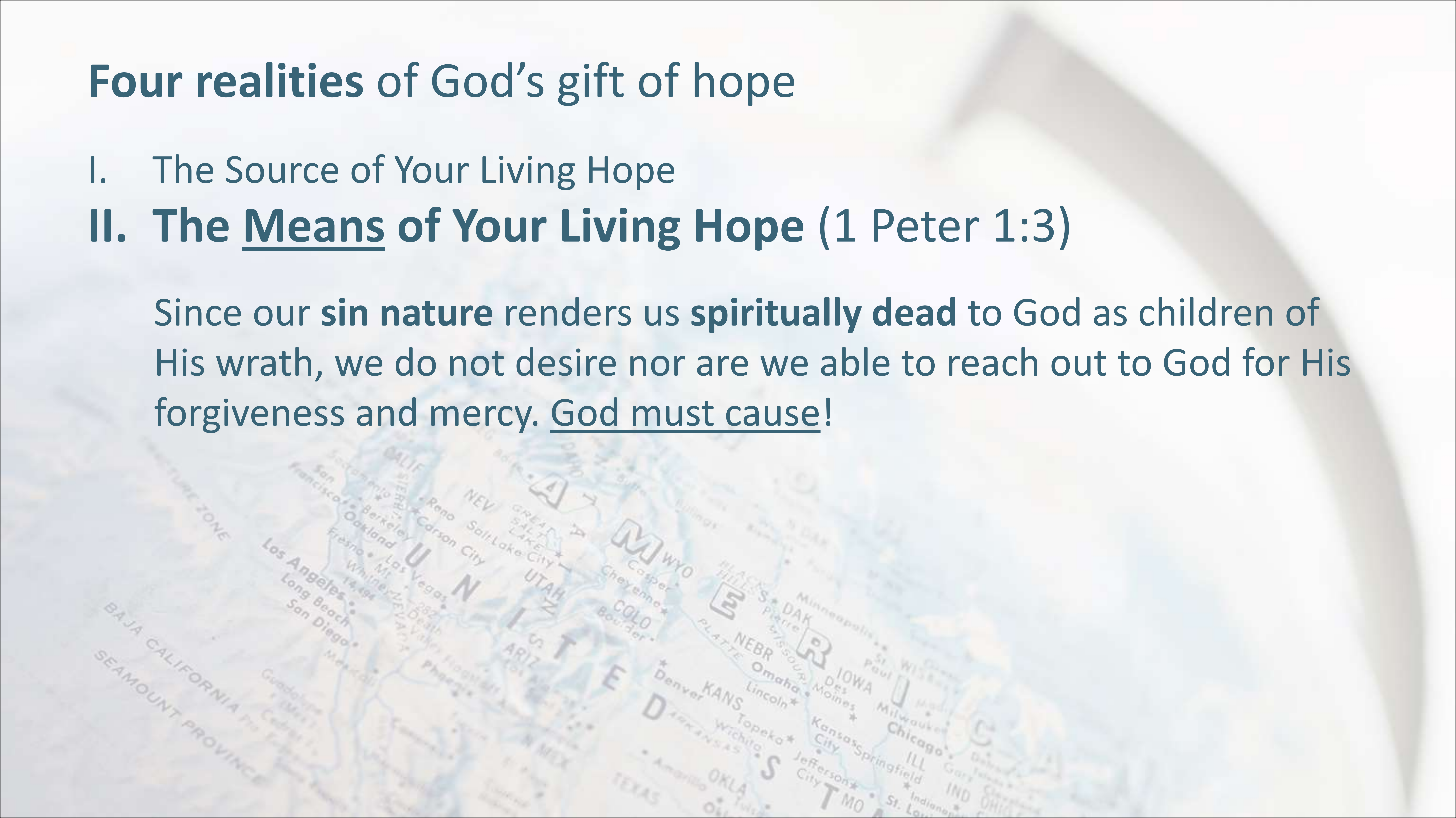


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Since our **sin nature** renders us **spiritually dead** to God as children of His wrath, we do not desire nor are we able to reach out to God for His forgiveness and mercy. God must cause!

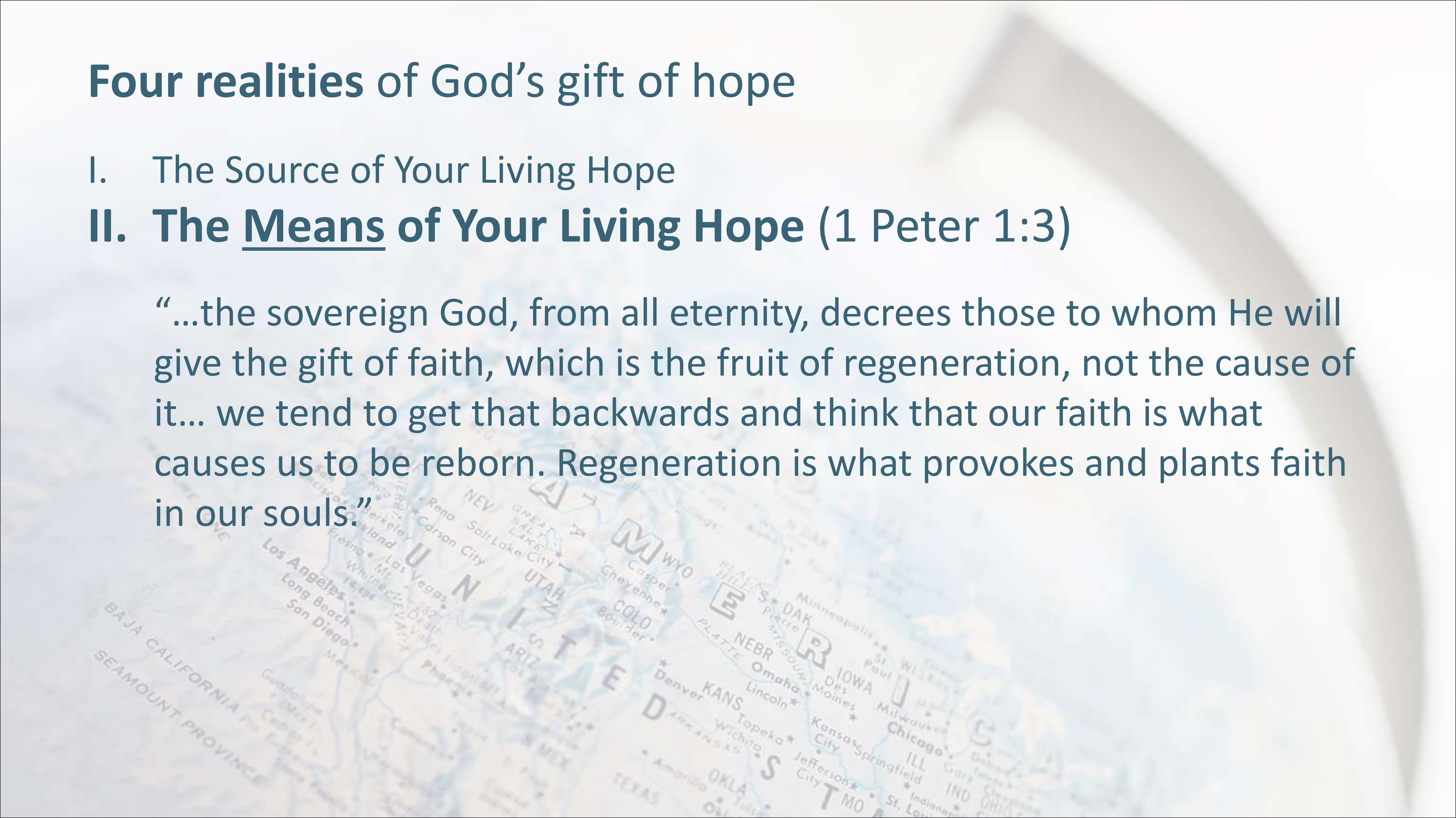


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“...the sovereign God, from all eternity, decrees those to whom He will give the gift of faith, which is the fruit of regeneration, not the cause of it... we tend to get that backwards and think that our faith is what causes us to be reborn. Regeneration is what provokes and plants faith in our souls.”



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“...you are absolutely powerless to effect your [spiritual] rebirth. Only God in His supernatural power can cause you to be born again. You did not generate it or seek after God. He sought after you. In His mercy and grace, the Spirit of God invaded your soul and changed that heart of stone to a heart of flesh. He gave you the desire for Christ and brought you to Christ as a gift to Christ.”

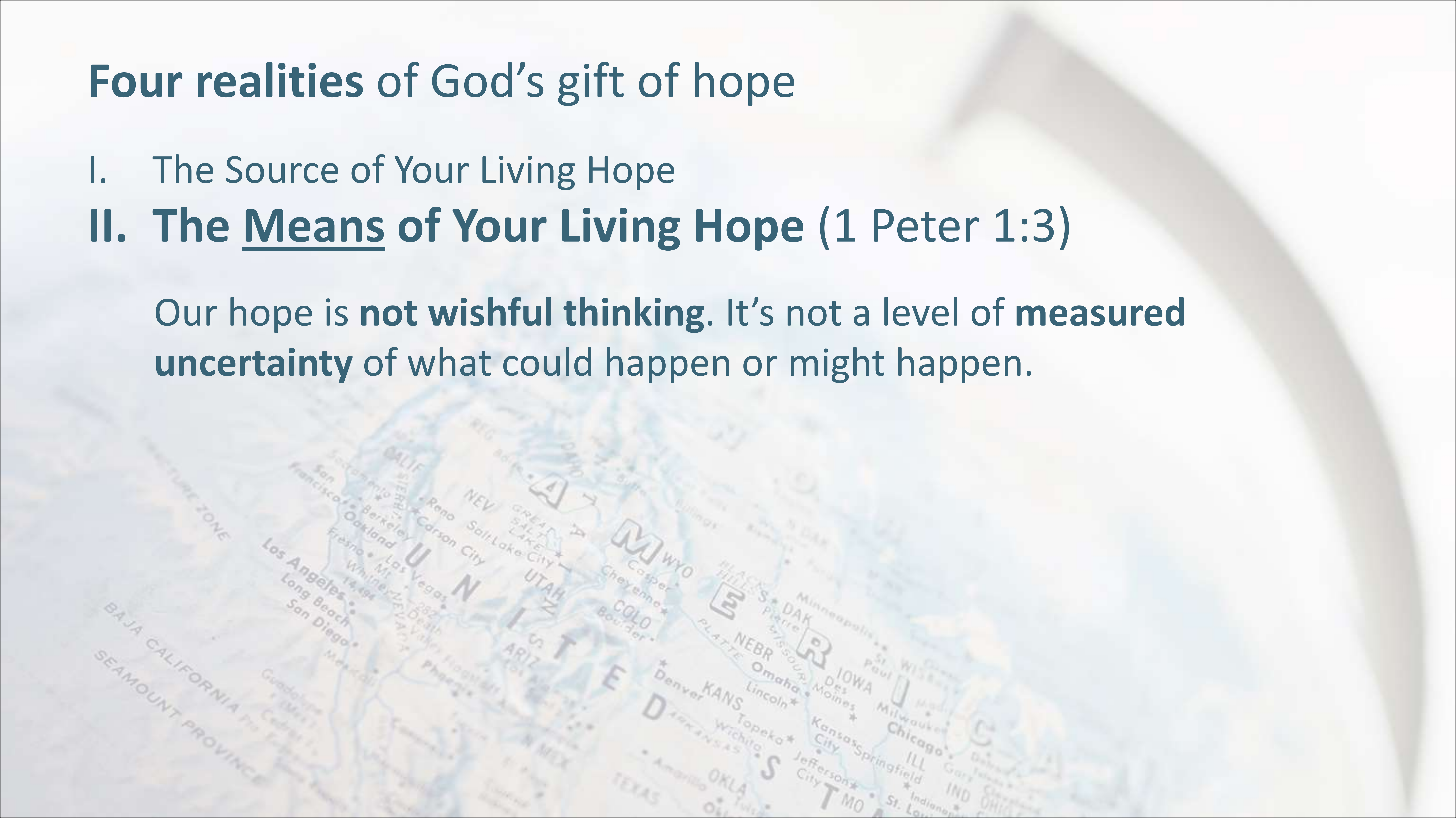
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“True hope is a biblically based expectation of good. In other words, it is biblical hope, an expectation based on the promises of God.”

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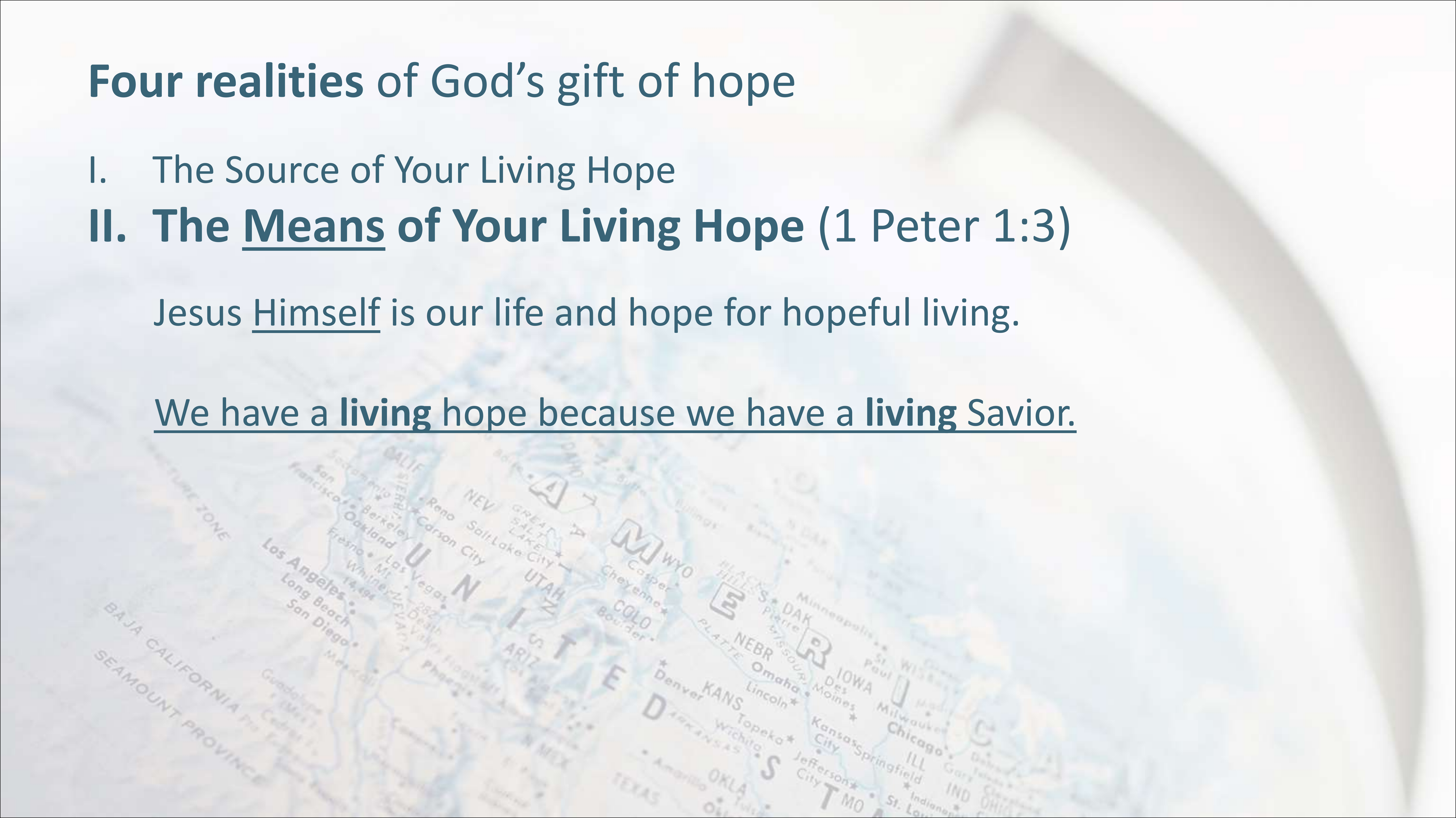
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Jesus Himself is our life and hope for hopeful living.

We have a living hope because we have a living Savior.



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