

HOLD FAST TO THE MORNING STAR

REVELATION 2:18-29





SCRIPTURE READING

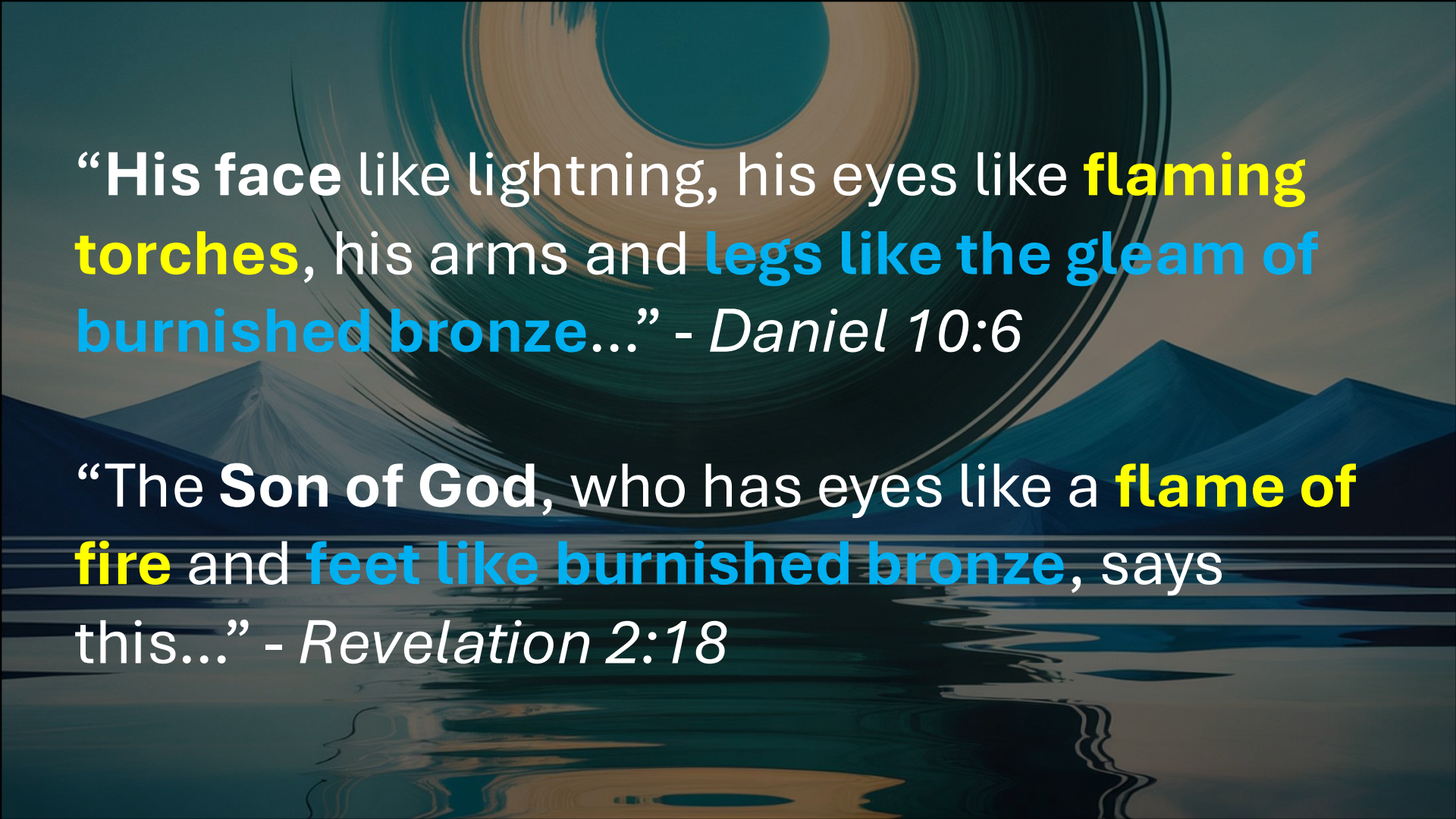
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PRAYER

Observation: What is happening?

- Christ speaks to the church in **Thyatira**
- Known for: **love, faith, service, & endurance**
- Christ confronts **tolerance** of **Jezebel**
- Leading believers into **idolatry** and **immorality**
- Christ commands: **Hold fast** until I come
- Promise: The **Morning Star** (Light of Christ)



“His face like lightning, his eyes like **flaming torches**, his arms and **legs like the gleam of burnished bronze**...” - *Daniel 10:6*

“The **Son of God**, who has eyes like a **flame of fire** and **feet like burnished bronze**, says this...” - *Revelation 2:18*

Interpretation: What can we learn?

- Christ **refines** and **searches** our hearts
- Jezebel shows a pattern of **abused power**
- Christ is our hope, the **Morning Star**



• “**She** went and **served Baal** and **worshiped him.**” - *1 Kings 16:31*

• “There was none [*King Ahab*] **who sold himself to do what was evil in the sight of the LORD,** whom **Jezebel** his wife **incited.**” - *1 Kings 21:25*

• “You tolerate that woman **Jezebel.**” - *Revelation 2:20*

Application: How should we respond?

- **Receive** the **light** of Christ
- **Resist** evil; let your **lamp** shine
- **Share** the hope of the **Morning Star**



“God said, ‘Let there be **light**,’ and there was **light**.” -
Genesis 1:3

“Jesus said, ‘I am the **Light** of the world. Whoever follows me... will have the **light of life**.’” - *John 8:12*

“To the one who conquers... I will give the **Morning Star**.” - *Revelation 2:28*

“I am... the bright **Morning Star**.” - *Revelation 22:16*



PRAYER

A dramatic landscape featuring a large, dark, textured tree stump in the foreground. In the background, there are snow-capped mountains under a sky with soft, golden light, suggesting sunrise or sunset. A large white cross is superimposed over the center of the image, and the word "Benediction" is written in a large, white, serif font across the middle.

† Benediction