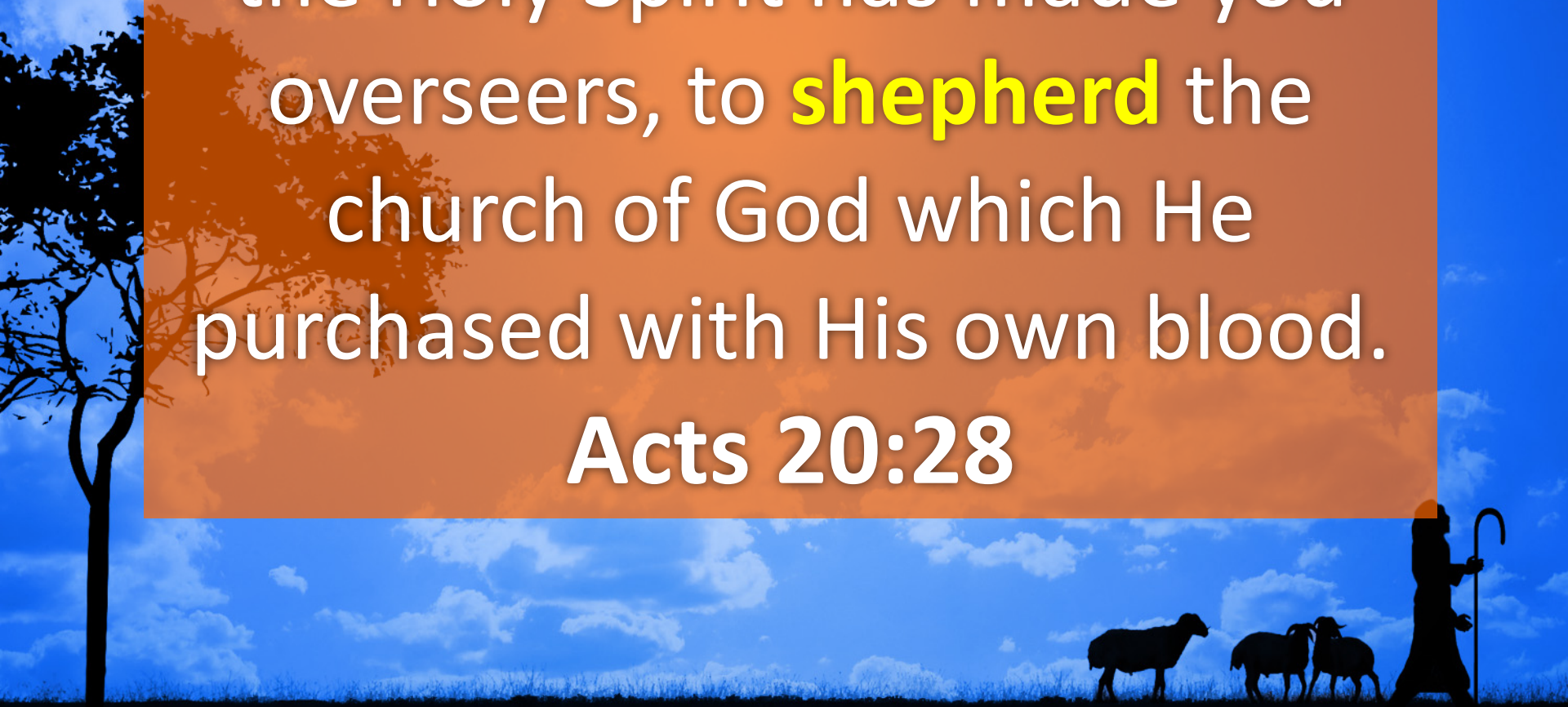


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Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to **shepherd** the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.

Acts 20:28



The Work of Elders in many churches today

Decision Making
(mostly physical)

Administration

- Money
- Building
- Schedules
- Maintenance

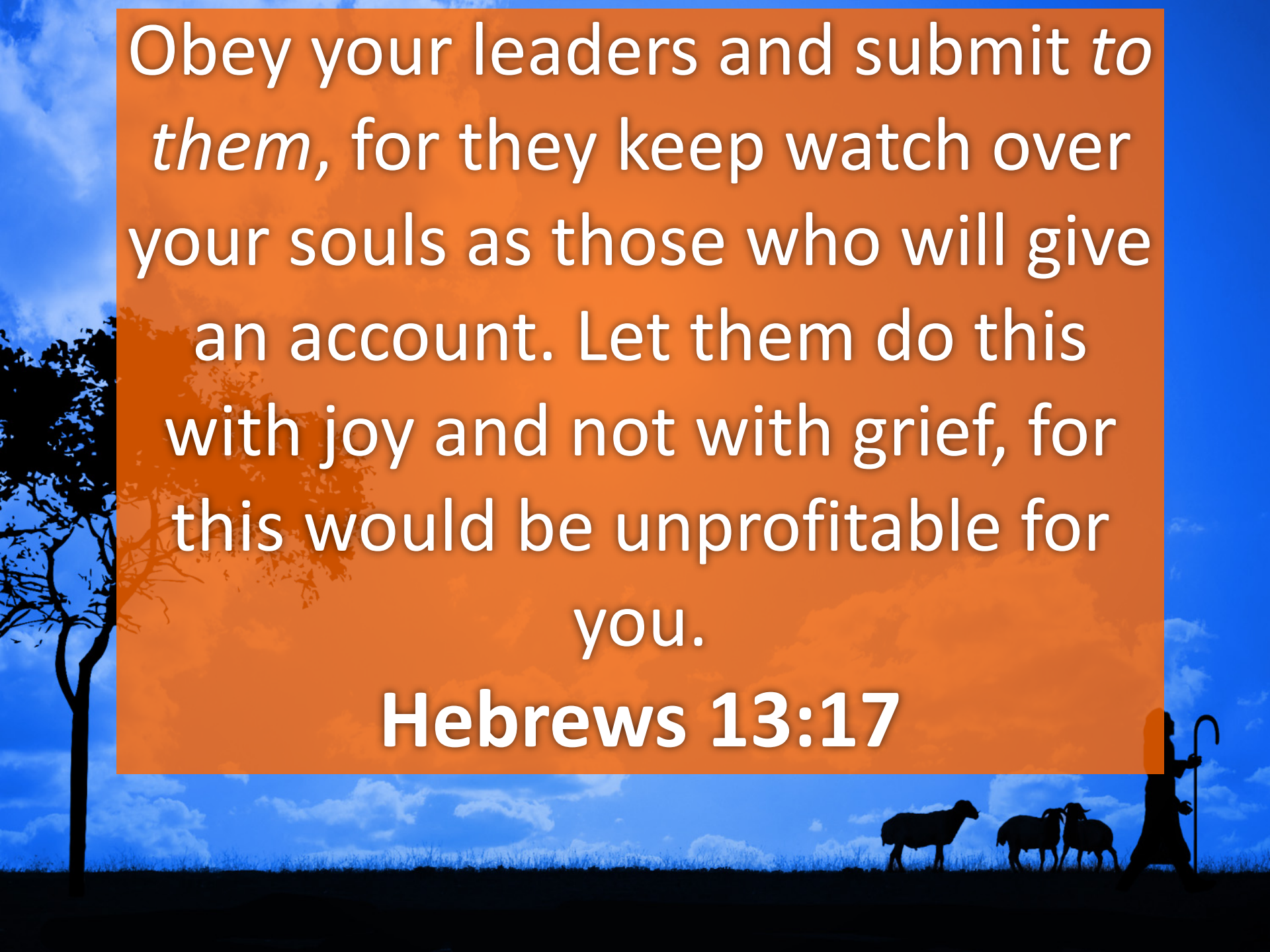
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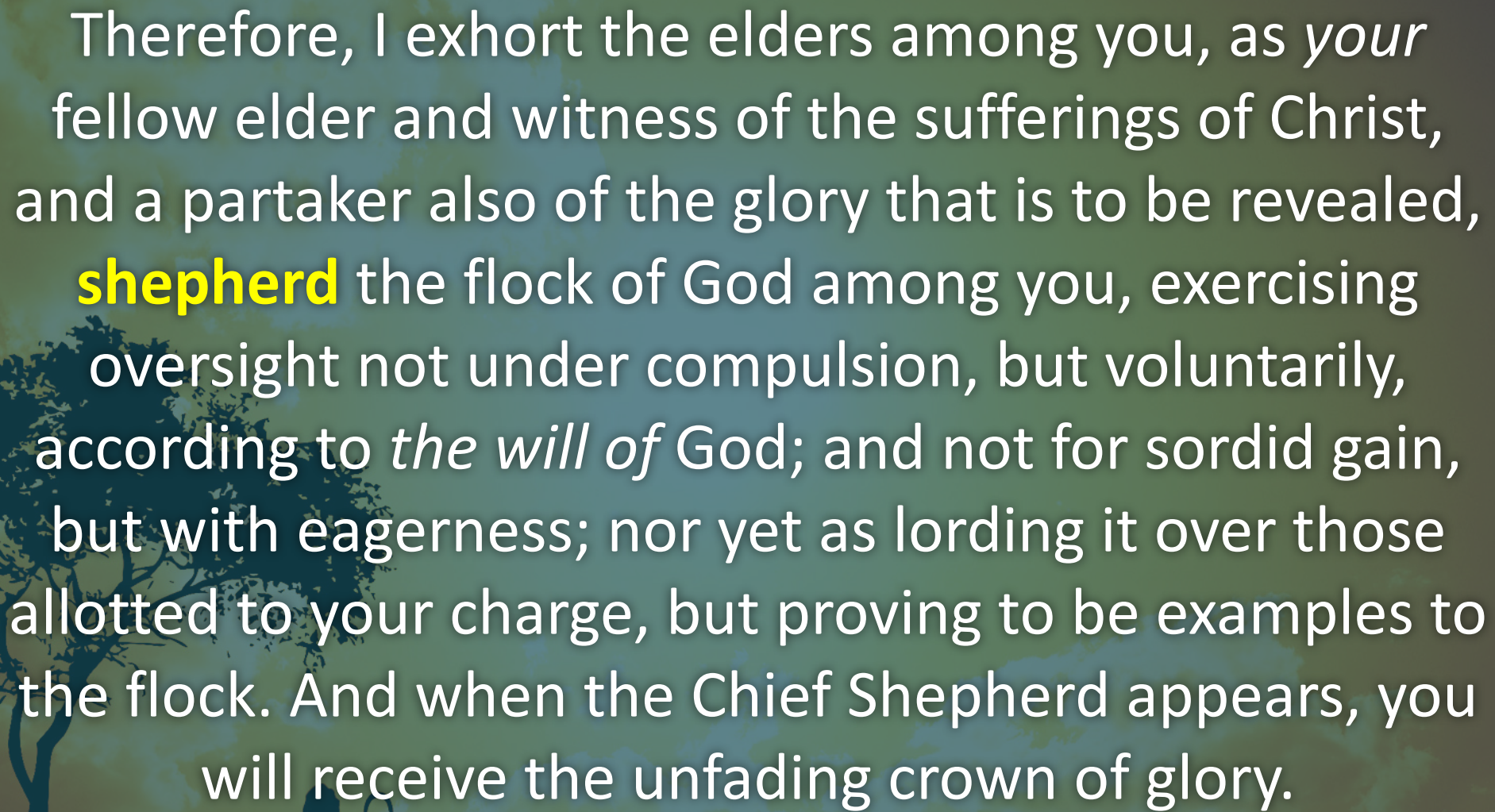
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Shepherding

Obey your leaders and submit *to them*, for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you.

Hebrews 13:17



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Therefore, I exhort the elders among you, as *your* fellow elder and witness of the sufferings of Christ, and a partaker also of the glory that is to be revealed, **shepherd** the flock of God among you, exercising oversight not under compulsion, but voluntarily, according to *the will of* God; and not for sordid gain, but with eagerness; nor yet as lording it over those allotted to your charge, but proving to be examples to the flock. And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.

1 Peter 5:1-4

Know well the condition of your flocks,
And pay attention to your herds;
Proverbs 27:23



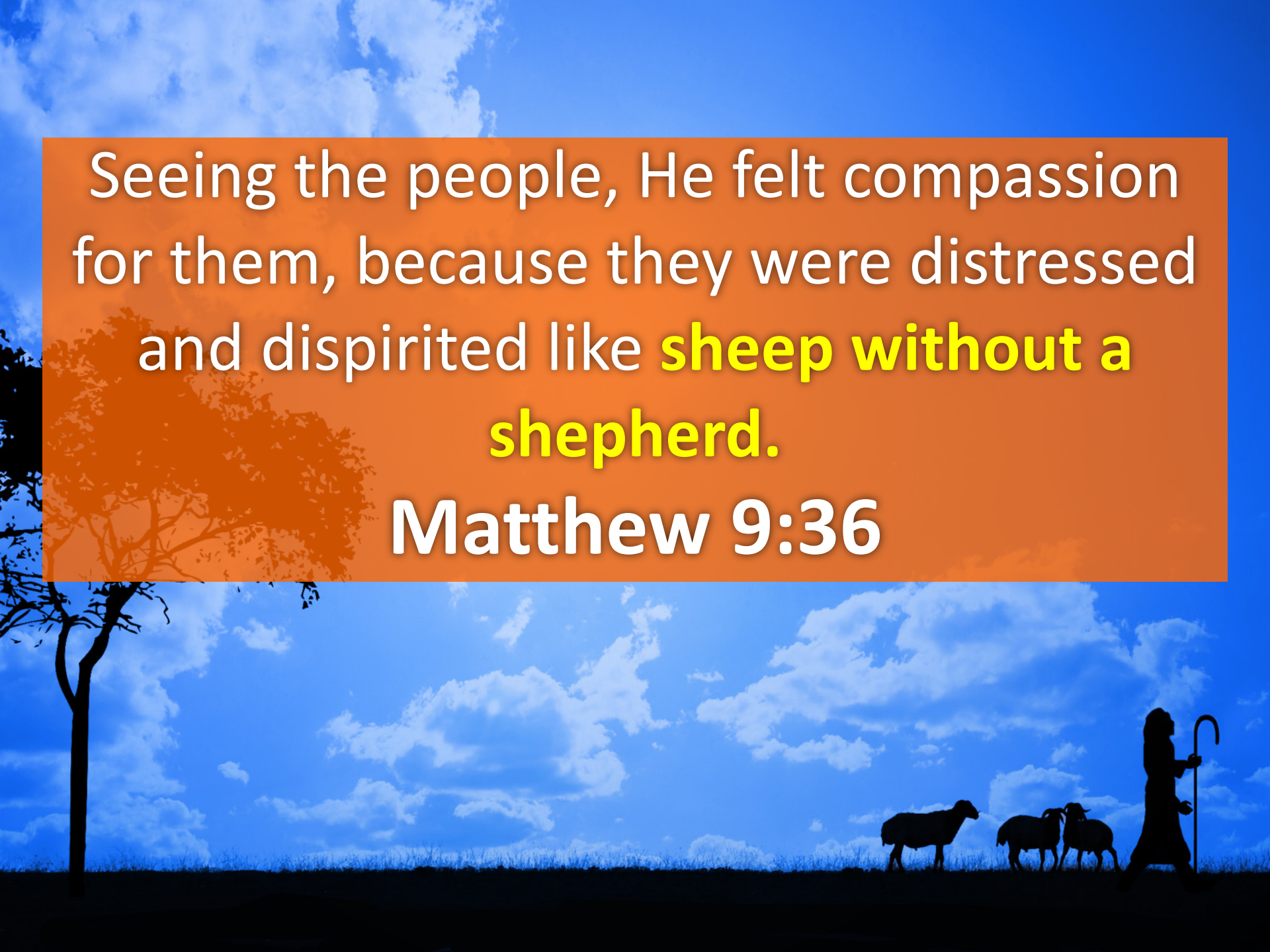
The Lord is my shepherd,
I shall not want. He makes me lie down in
green pastures; He leads me beside quiet
waters. He restores my soul; He guides me in
the paths of righteousness For His name's
sake. Even though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death, I fear no evil, for You
are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they
comfort me

Psalms 23:1-4



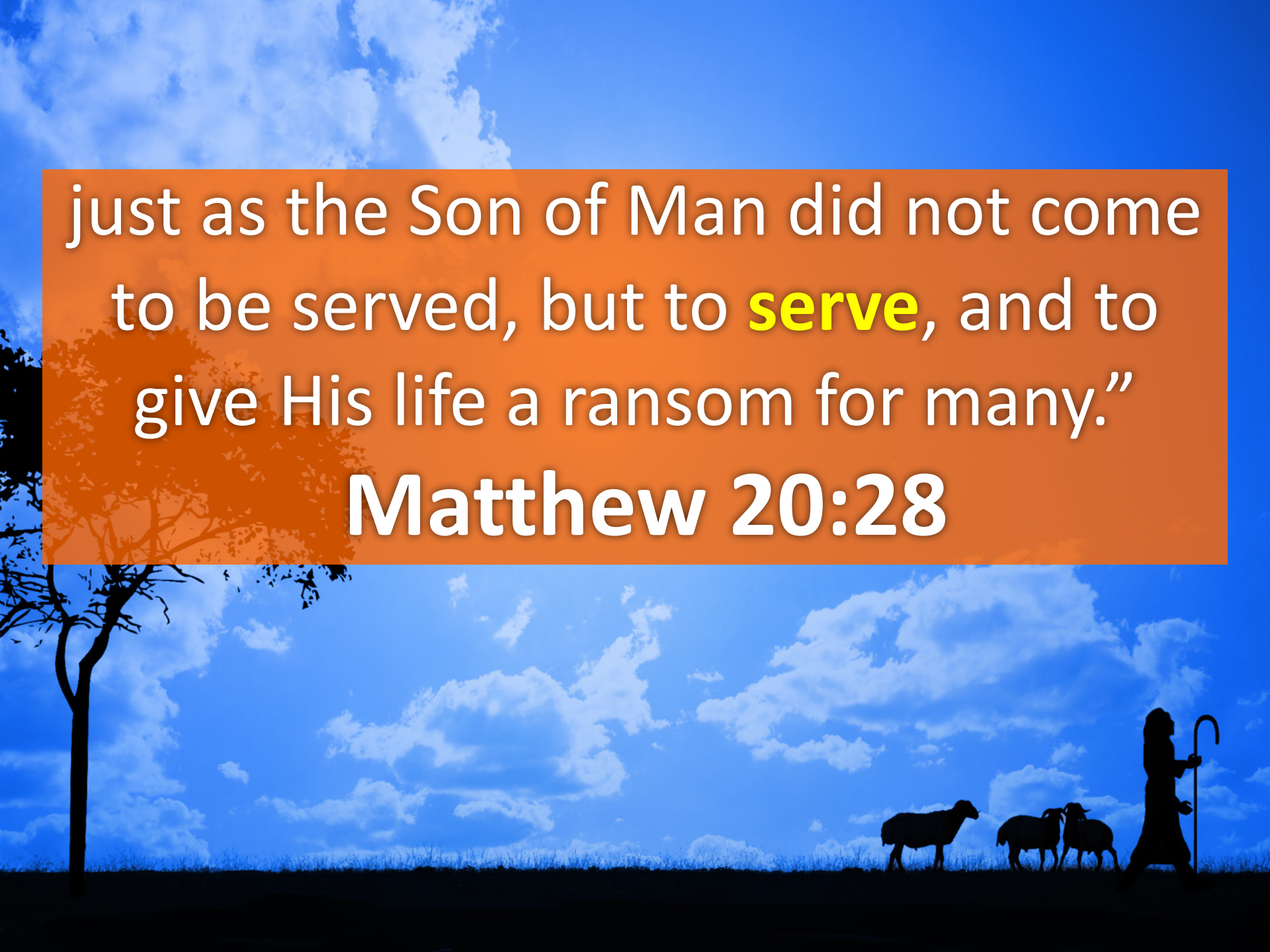
Seeing the people, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dispirited like **sheep without a shepherd.**

Matthew 9:36



just as the Son of Man did not come
to be served, but to **serve**, and to
give His life a ransom for many.”

Matthew 20:28



“I am the **good** shepherd..”

John 10:11

“...the **great** Shepherd...

Hebrews 13:20

And when the **Chief** Shepherd...


1 Peter 5:4



John 10:3-5, 11-15



Shepherds:

- ❖ Lead by example
 - ❖ Know the sheep
 - ❖ Feed, tend, and care for the sheep
 - ❖ Are servants of the sheep
 - ❖ Primary focus is the wellbeing of the sheep
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- A silhouette of a shepherd standing with a staff, looking over a flock of sheep. The background is a sunset or sunrise sky with horizontal bands of orange, yellow, and blue. A tree is visible on the left side of the image.

Acts 6:1-4



**“put in charge of the
task” (NASB)**

**“we will turn this responsibility
over to them.” (NIV)**



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