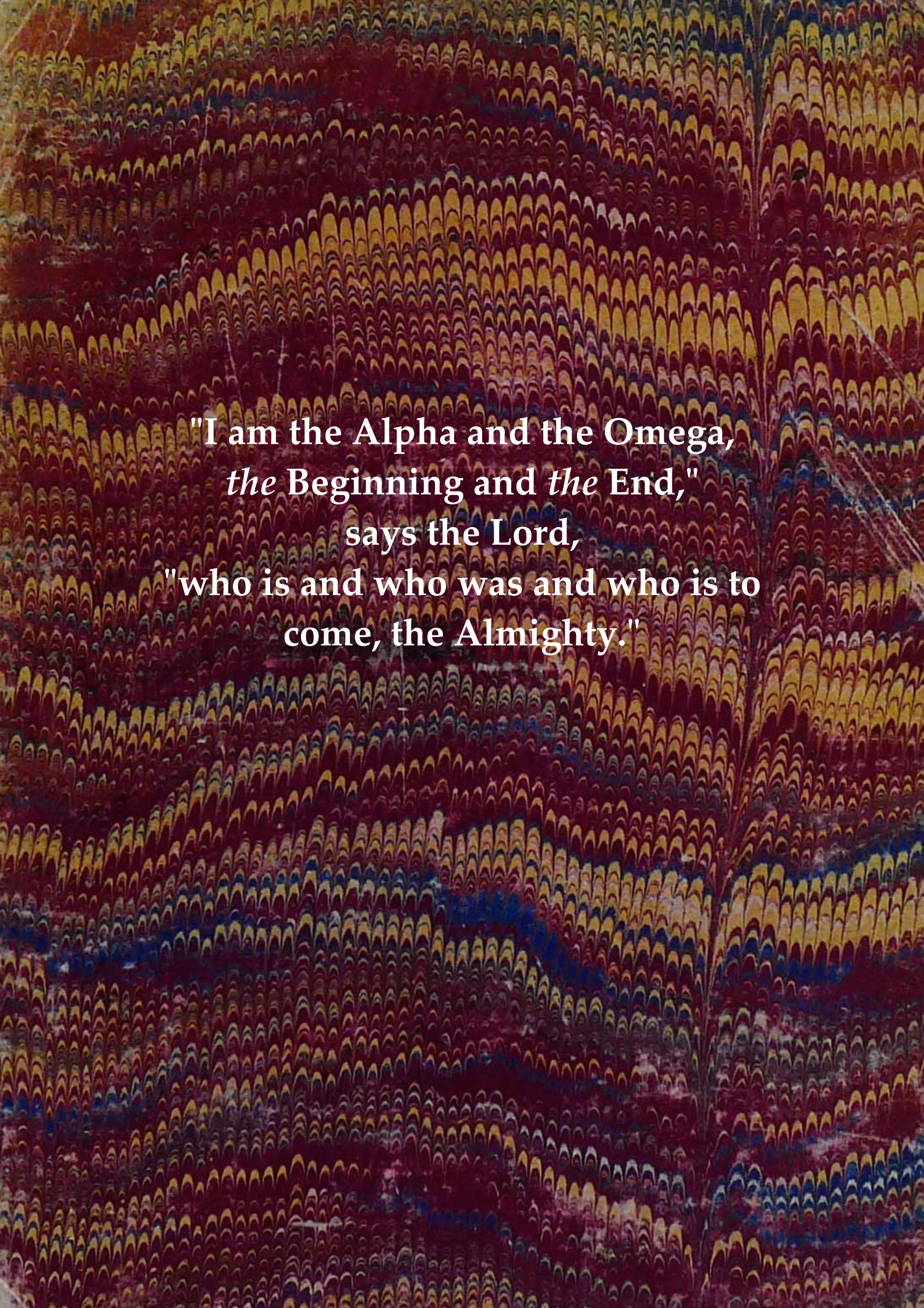


A
Thousand
Years





"I am the Alpha and the Omega,
the Beginning and the End,"
says the Lord,
"who is and who was and who is to
come, the Almighty."





Psalm 90

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, you *are* God.

You turn man to destruction, and say, "Return, O children of men."





For a thousand years in your sight *are*
like yesterday when it is past, and
like a watch in the night.

You carry them away *like* a flood; *they*
are like a sleep.

In the morning they are like grass
which grows up: in the morning it
flourishes and grows up; in the
evening it is cut down and withers.









For we have been consumed by your anger, and by your wrath we are terrified. You have set our iniquities before you, our secret *sins* in the light of your countenance.

For all our days have passed away in your wrath; we finish our years like a sigh.

The days of our lives *are* seventy years; and if by reason of strength *they are* eighty years, yet their boast *is* only labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.





Who knows the power of your anger?
For as the fear of you, *so is* your
wrath. So teach *us* to number our
days, that we may gain a heart of
wisdom.

Return, O LORD! How long? And have
compassion on your servants.

Oh, satisfy us early with your mercy,
that we may rejoice and be glad all
our days! Make us glad according to
the days *in which* you have afflicted
us, the years *in which* we have seen
evil.







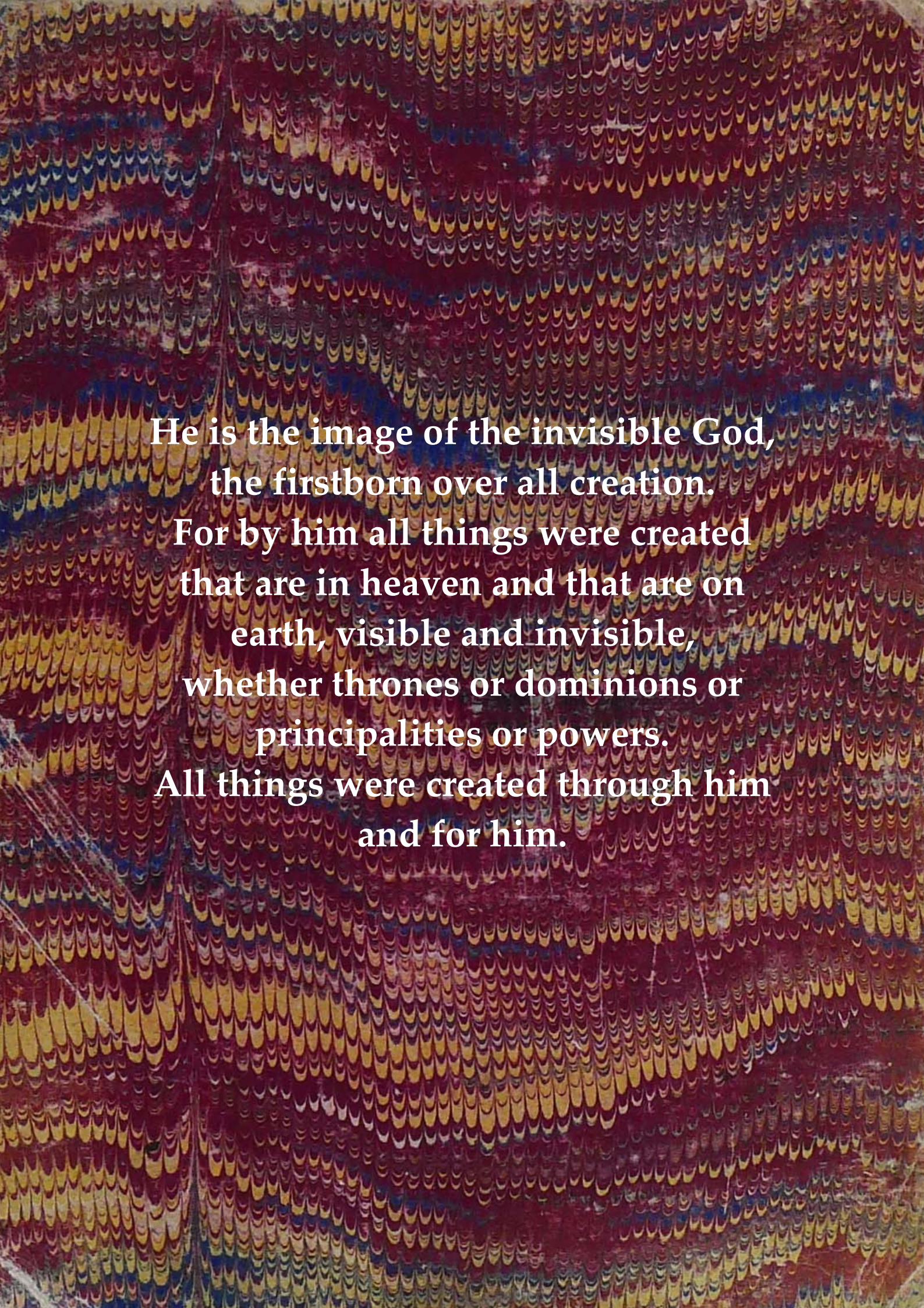


Let your work appear to your servants,
and your glory to their children.

And let the beauty of the LORD our
God be upon us, and establish the
work of our hands for us; yes,
establish the work of our hands.







**He is the image of the invisible God,
the firstborn over all creation.
For by him all things were created
that are in heaven and that are on
earth, visible and invisible,
whether thrones or dominions or
principalities or powers.
All things were created through him
and for him.**



II Peter 3

Beloved, I now write to you this second epistle (in *both of* which I stir up your pure minds by way of reminder), that you may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us, the apostles of the Lord and Saviour, knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, and saying, "Where is the promise of his coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as *they were* from the beginning of creation."









For this they wilfully forget: that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of water and in the water, by which the world *that* then existed perished, being flooded with water.

But the heavens and the earth *which* are now preserved by the same word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgement and perdition of ungodly men. **But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.**





The Lord is not slack concerning *his* promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.









Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner *of persons* ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat?

Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by him in peace, without spot and blameless; and consider *that* the longsuffering of our Lord *is* salvation—



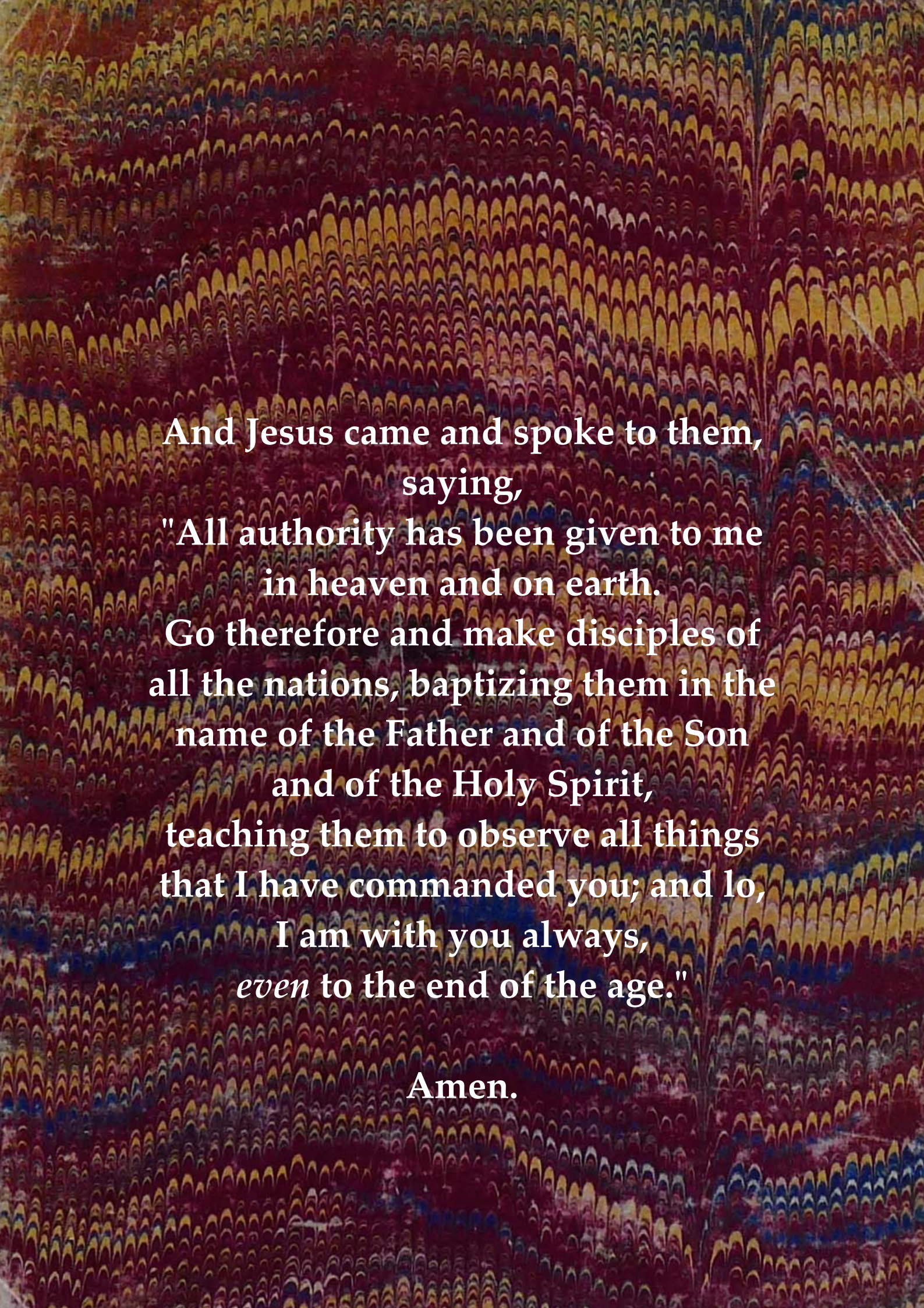


As also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you, as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which untaught and unstable *people* twist to their own destruction, as *they do* also the rest of the Scriptures. You therefore, beloved, since you know *this* beforehand, beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the wicked; but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him *be* the glory both now and forever. Amen









And Jesus came and spoke to them,
saying,
"All authority has been given to me
in heaven and on earth.
Go therefore and make disciples of
all the nations, baptizing them in the
name of the Father and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit,
teaching them to observe all things
that I have commanded you; and lo,
I am with you always,
even to the end of the age."

Amen.





Revelation 20 & 21

Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.

He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is *the* Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished.

But after these things he must be released for a little while.





And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgement was committed to them. Then *I saw* the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshipped the beast or his image, and had not received *his* mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.

But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection. Blessed and holy *is* he who has part in the first resurrection.









Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years. Now when the thousand years have expired, Satan will be released from his prison and will go out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle, whose number *is* as the sand of the sea. They went up on the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city. And fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them.





The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet *are*. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

Then I saw a great white throne and him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is *the Book of Life*.









And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books. The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works.

Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea.



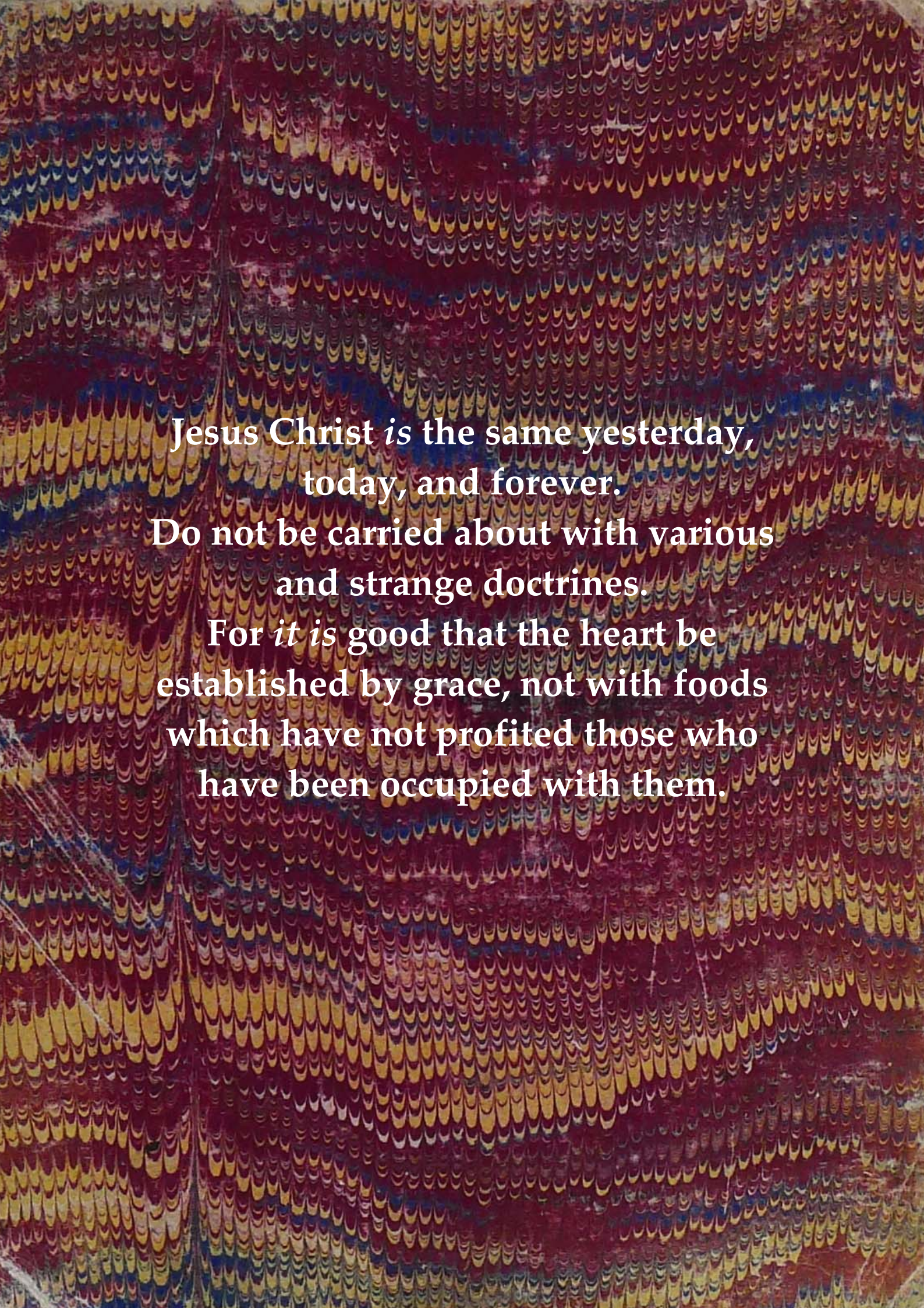


And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people. God himself will be with them *and be* their God. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away." Then he who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new."

And he said to me, "Write, for these words are true and faithful."







**Jesus Christ *is* the same yesterday,
today, and forever.**

**Do not be carried about with various
and strange doctrines.**

**For *it is* good that the heart be
established by grace, not with foods
which have not profited those who
have been occupied with them.**



