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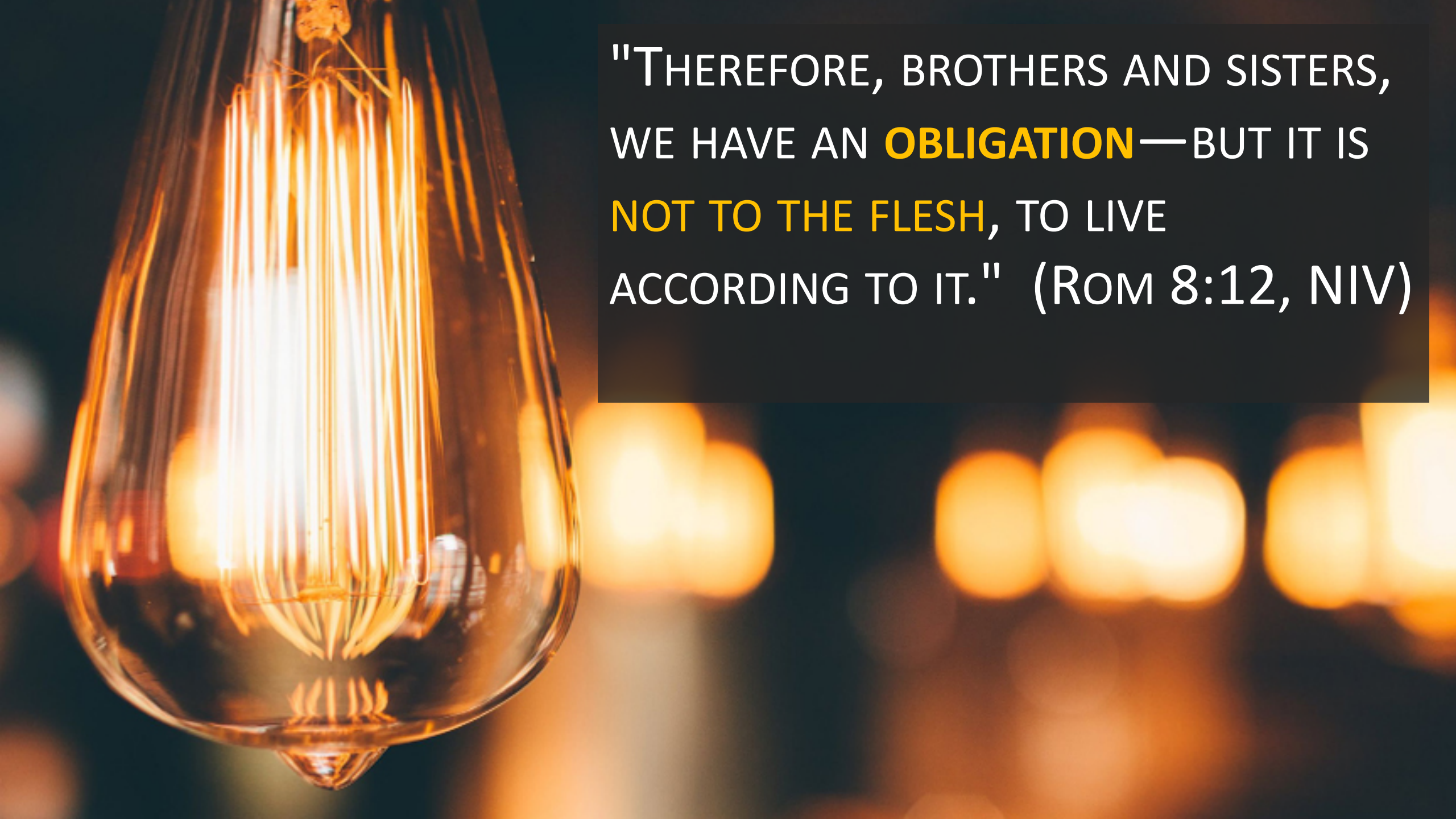
a study through Romans 8



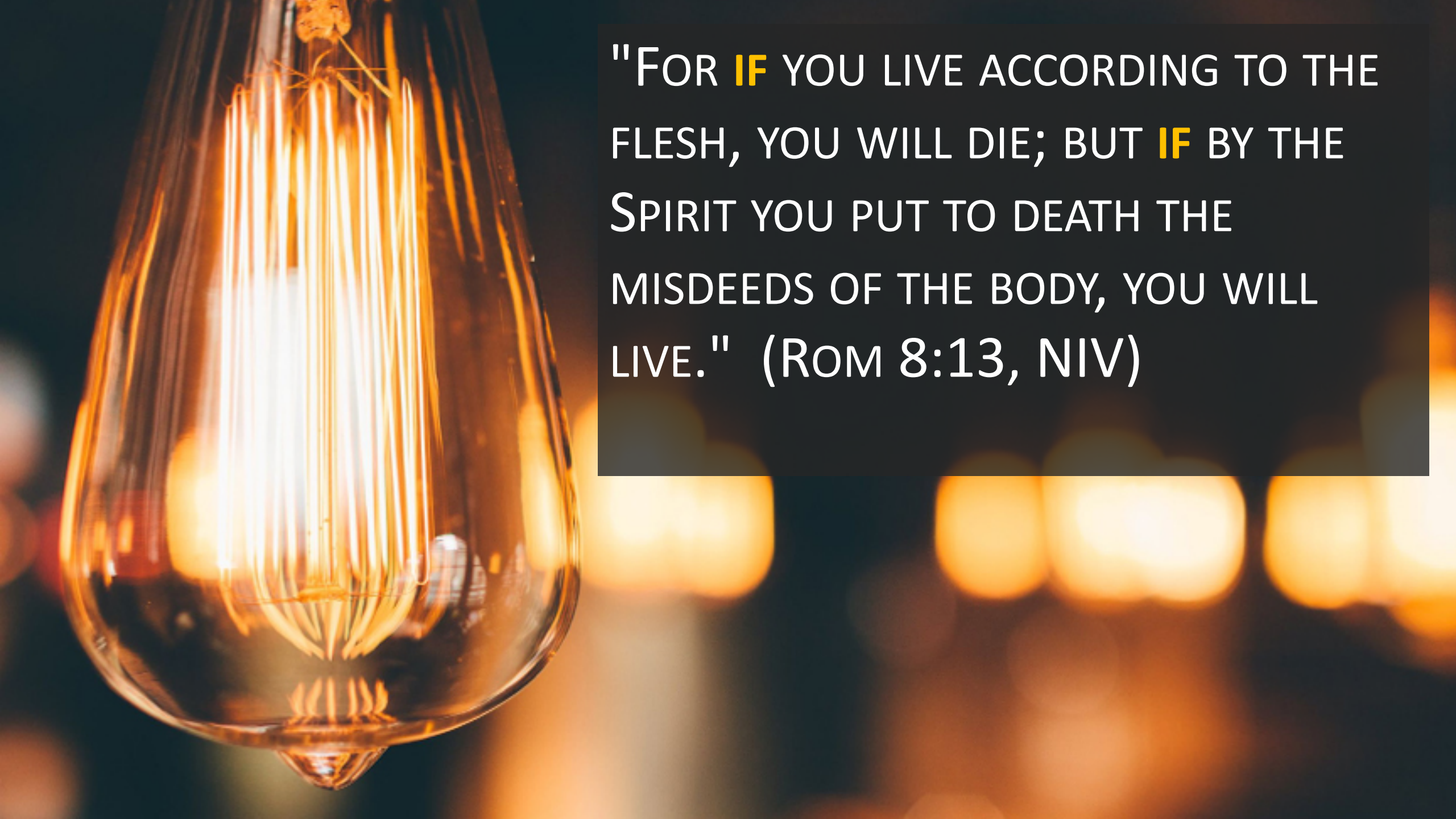
I came that you
may have life.



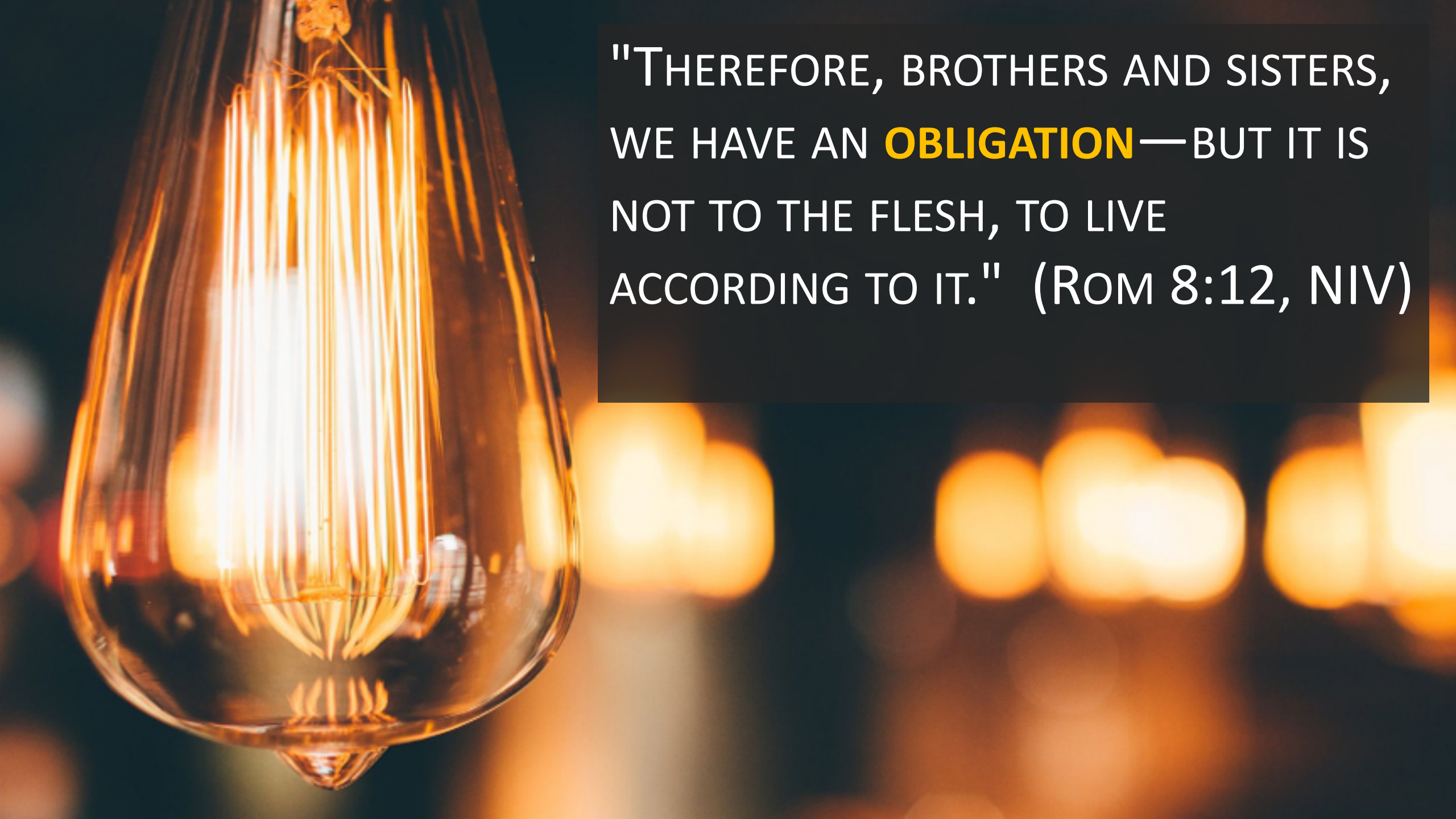
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"THEREFORE, BROTHERS AND SISTERS,
WE HAVE AN **OBLIGATION**—BUT IT IS
NOT TO THE FLESH, TO LIVE
ACCORDING TO IT." (ROM 8:12, NIV)



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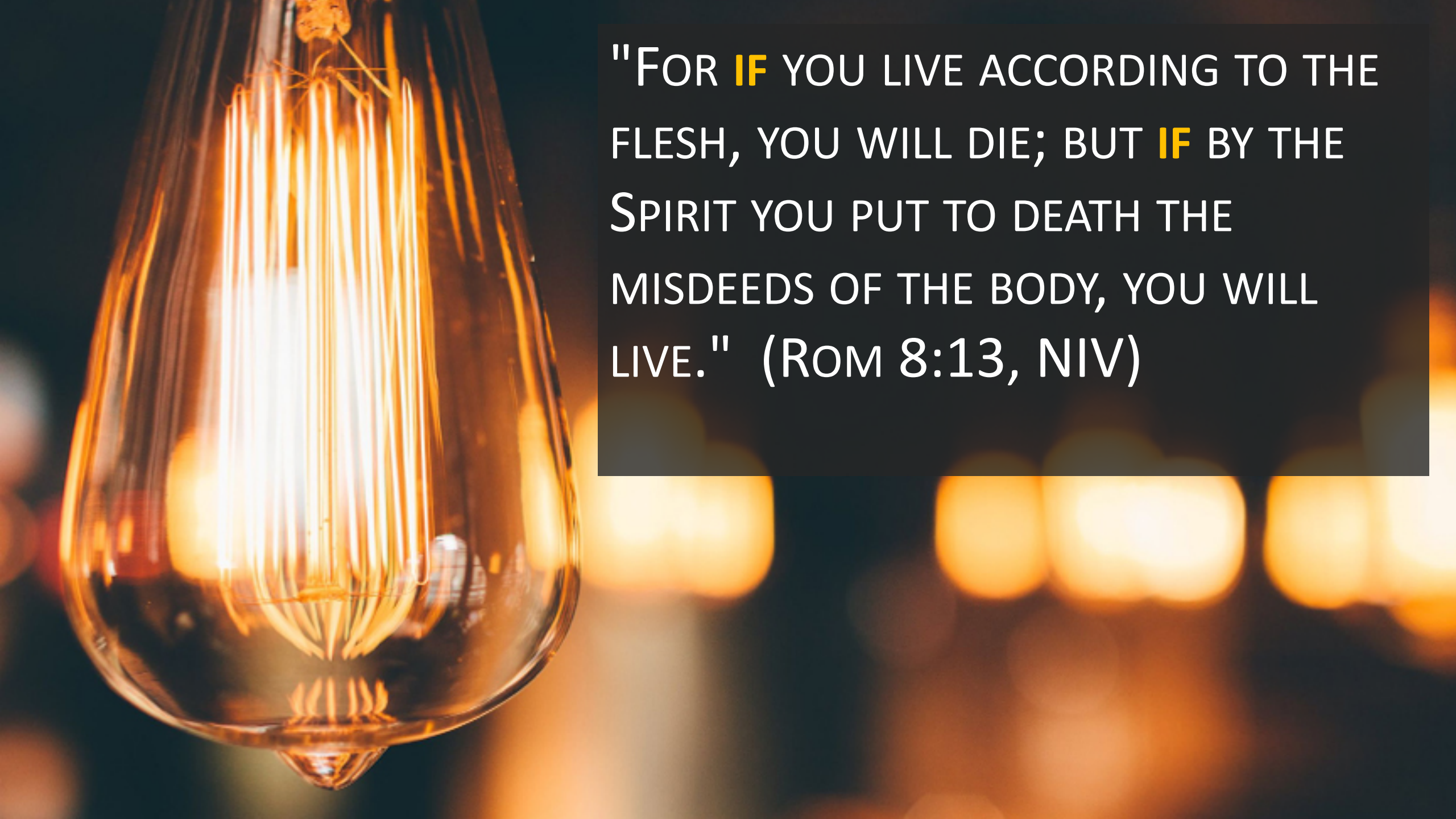
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OBLIGA'TION, n. [L. obligatio.]

The binding power of a vow, promise, oath or contract, or of law, civil, political or moral, independent of a promise; that which **constitutes legal or moral duty**, and which renders **a person liable** to coercion and punishment for neglecting it.



"SO LET IT BE THE SAME WAY WITH YOU! SINCE YOU ARE NOW JOINED WITH HIM, YOU MUST CONTINUALLY VIEW YOURSELVES AS DEAD AND UNRESPONSIVE TO SIN'S APPEAL WHILE LIVING DAILY FOR GOD'S PLEASURE IN UNION WITH JESUS, THE ANOINTED ONE." (ROM 6:11, TPT)



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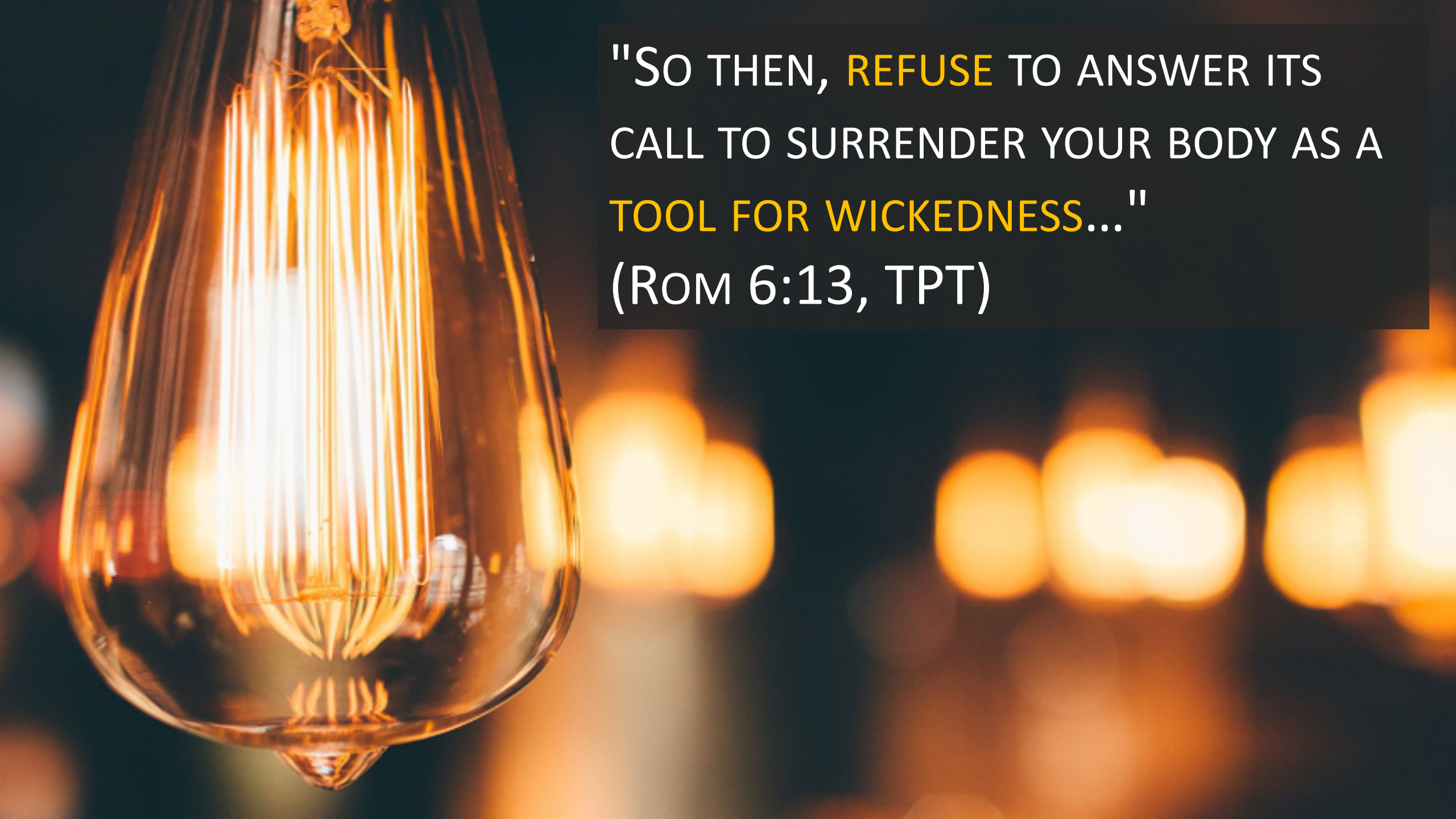
DECISION WITH A PRE - SET OUTCOME

... is used as the sign of a condition, or it introduces a conditional sentence.



"SIN IS A DETHRONED MONARCH; SO YOU MUST **NO LONGER GIVE IT AN OPPORTUNITY** TO RULE OVER YOUR LIFE, CONTROLLING HOW YOU LIVE AND COMPELLING YOU TO OBEY ITS DESIRES AND CRAVINGS."
(ROM 6:12, TPT)

**OPPORTUNITIES ARE TAKEN , NOT SO
MUCH GIVEN...**



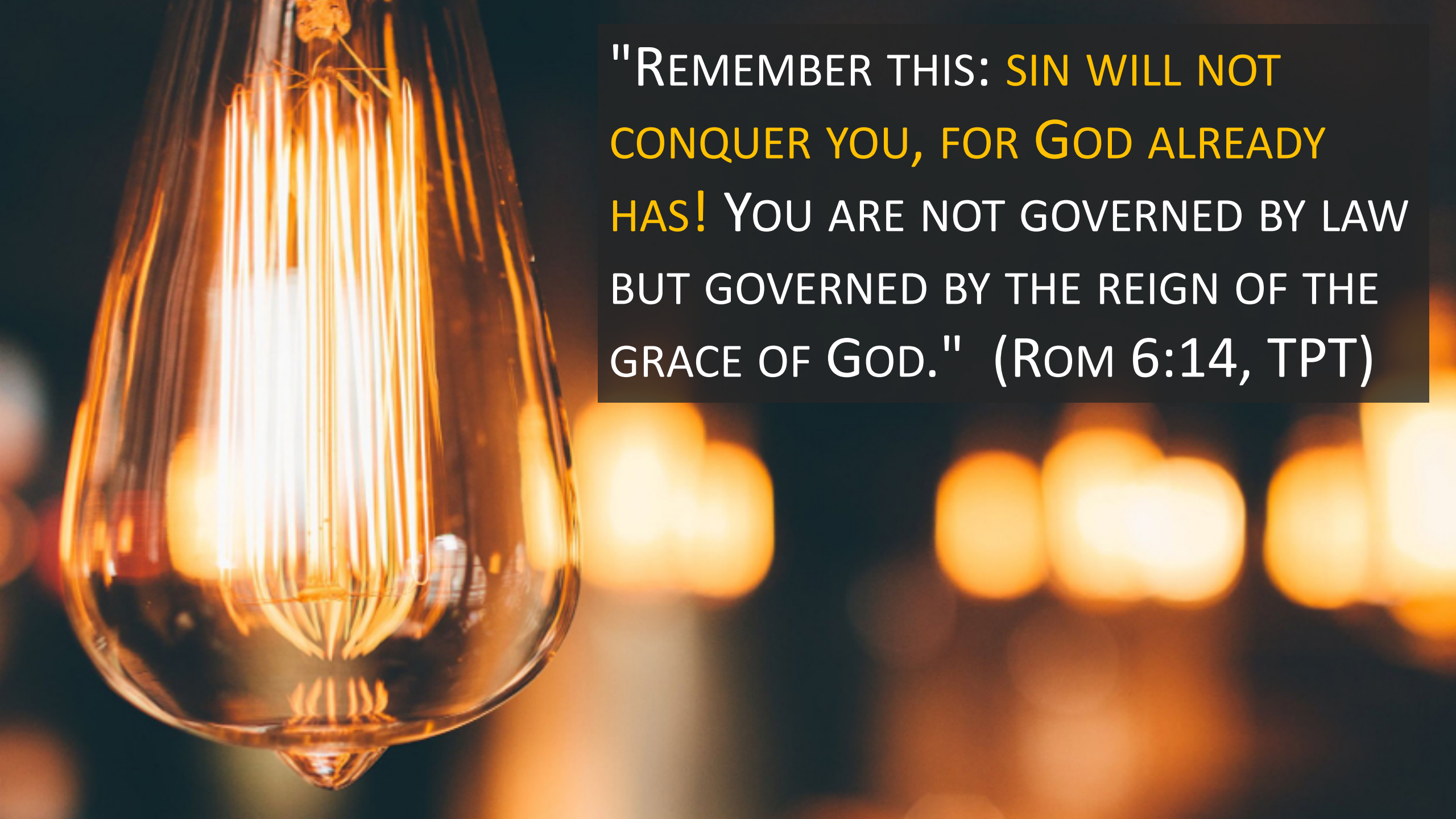
"SO THEN, REFUSE TO ANSWER ITS
CALL TO SURRENDER YOUR BODY AS A
TOOL FOR WICKEDNESS..."
(ROM 6:13, TPT)

REFUSE TO MAKE YOUR BODY
AVAILABLE TO BE A **TOOL OF**
WICKEDNESS...



...INSTEAD, PASSIONATELY ANSWER
GOD'S CALL TO **KEEP YIELDING** YOUR
BODY TO HIM AS ONE WHO HAS NOW
EXPERIENCED RESURRECTION LIFE! YOU
LIVE NOW FOR HIS PLEASURE, READY
TO BE USED FOR HIS **NOBLE PURPOSE.**"
(ROM 6:13, TPT)

KEEP YIELDING TO NOBLE PURPOSE
AND NOT PLEASURE...



"REMEMBER THIS: SIN WILL NOT CONQUER YOU, FOR GOD ALREADY HAS! YOU ARE NOT GOVERNED BY LAW BUT GOVERNED BY THE REIGN OF THE GRACE OF GOD." (ROM 6:14, TPT)

**OVERCOMING MIGHT BE A PROCESS
AND A FIGHT , BUT VICTORY IS OUR
INHERITANCE...**