

SERMON ON THE MOUNT



*Great Teachings from the
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A LOOK AT MATTHEW 5-7

Main Point

- Desire God and respect God



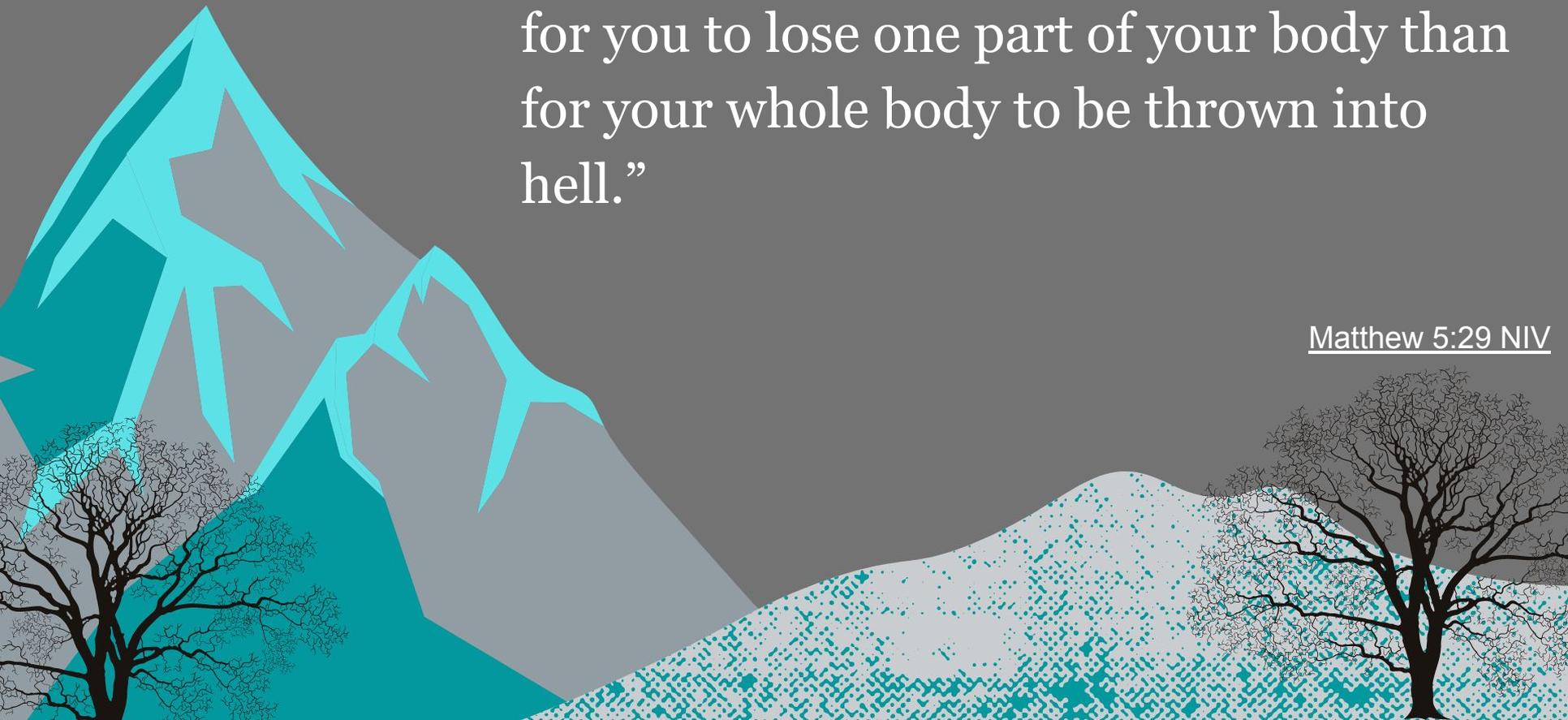
“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.”

Matthew 5:27-28 NIV



“If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell.”

Matthew 5:29 NIV



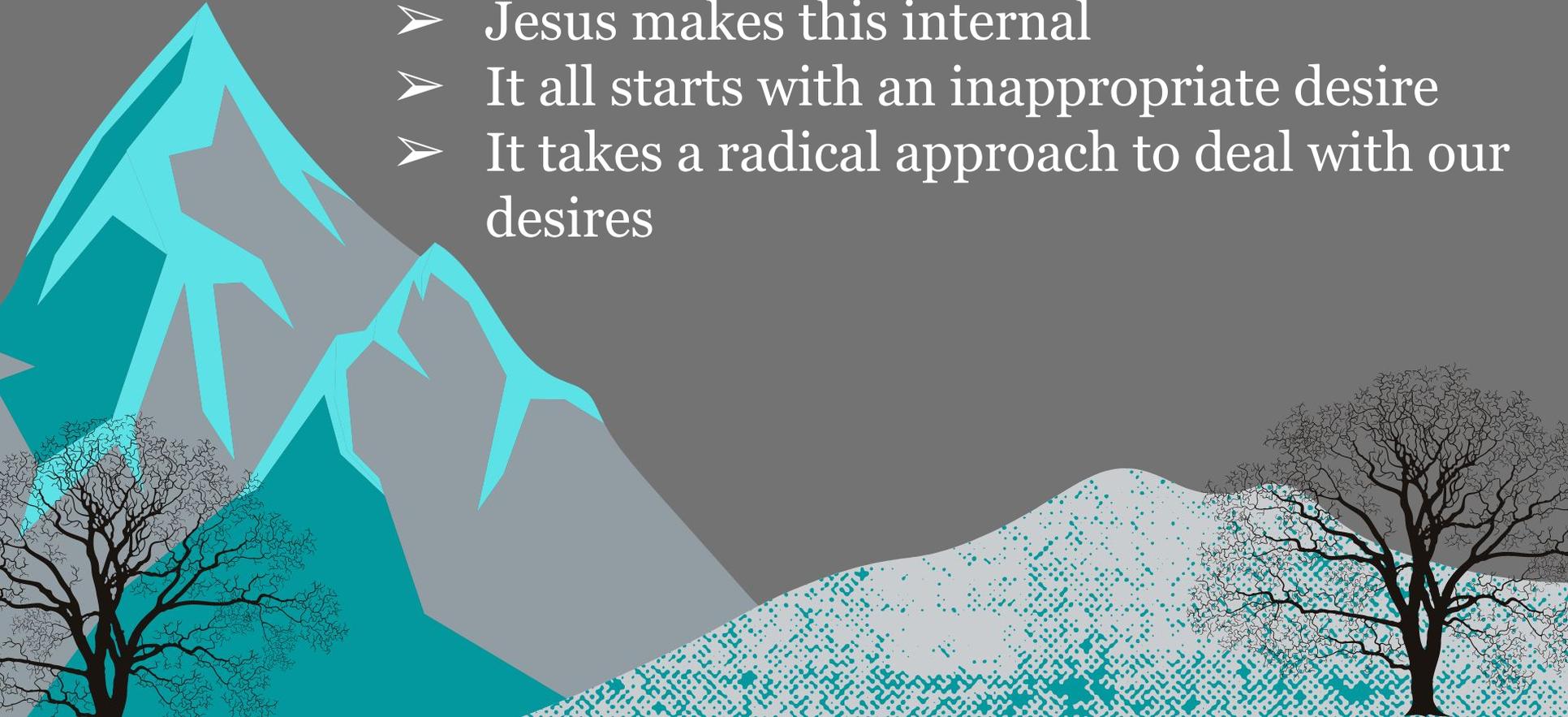
“And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.”

Matthew 5:30 NIV



Adultery

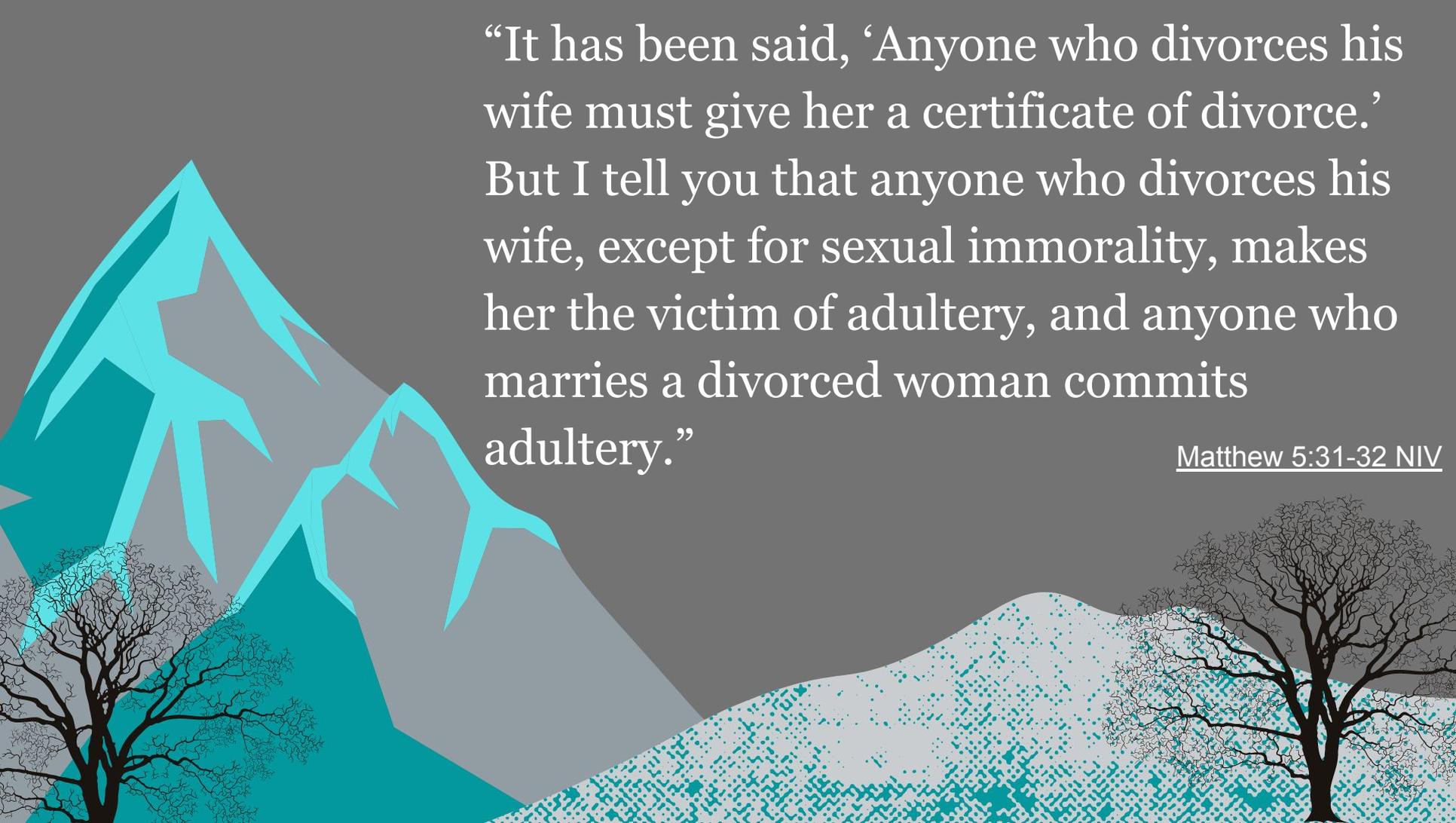
- Jesus makes this internal
- It all starts with an inappropriate desire
- It takes a radical approach to deal with our desires



Desires

- Focus on your desires
- Accountability
- Desire God first, often, and only



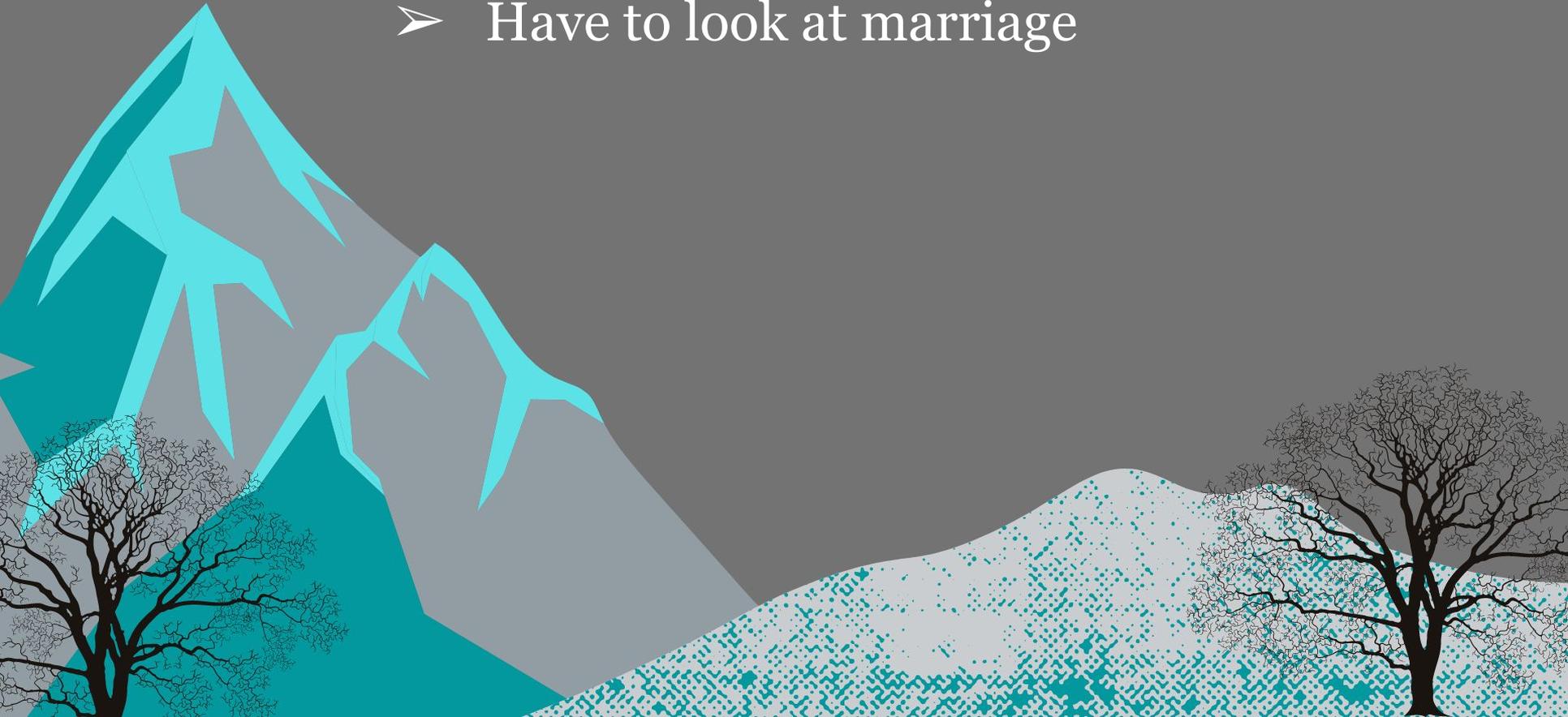


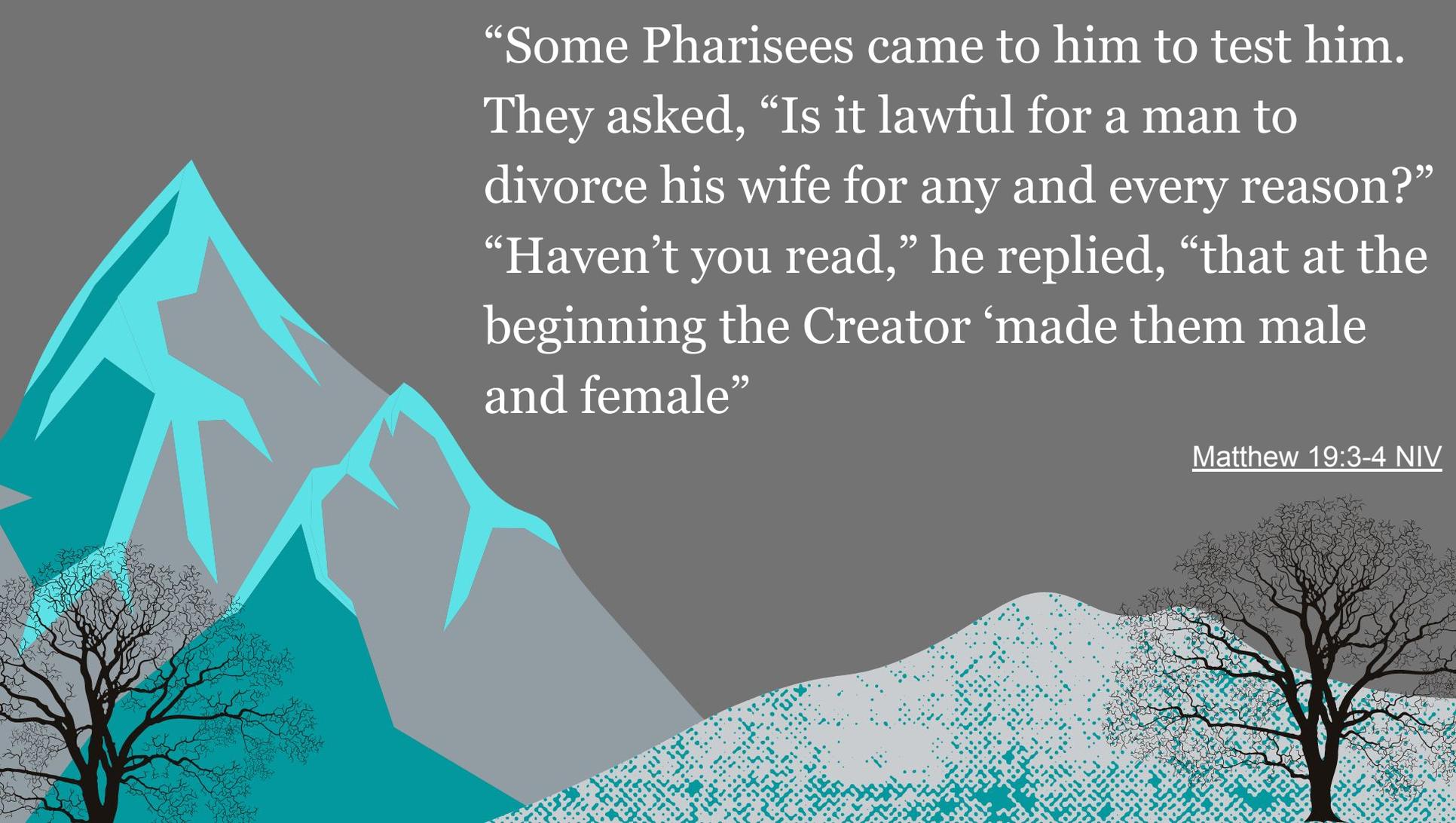
“It has been said, ‘Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a certificate of divorce.’ But I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, makes her the victim of adultery, and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery.”

Matthew 5:31-32 NIV

Divorce

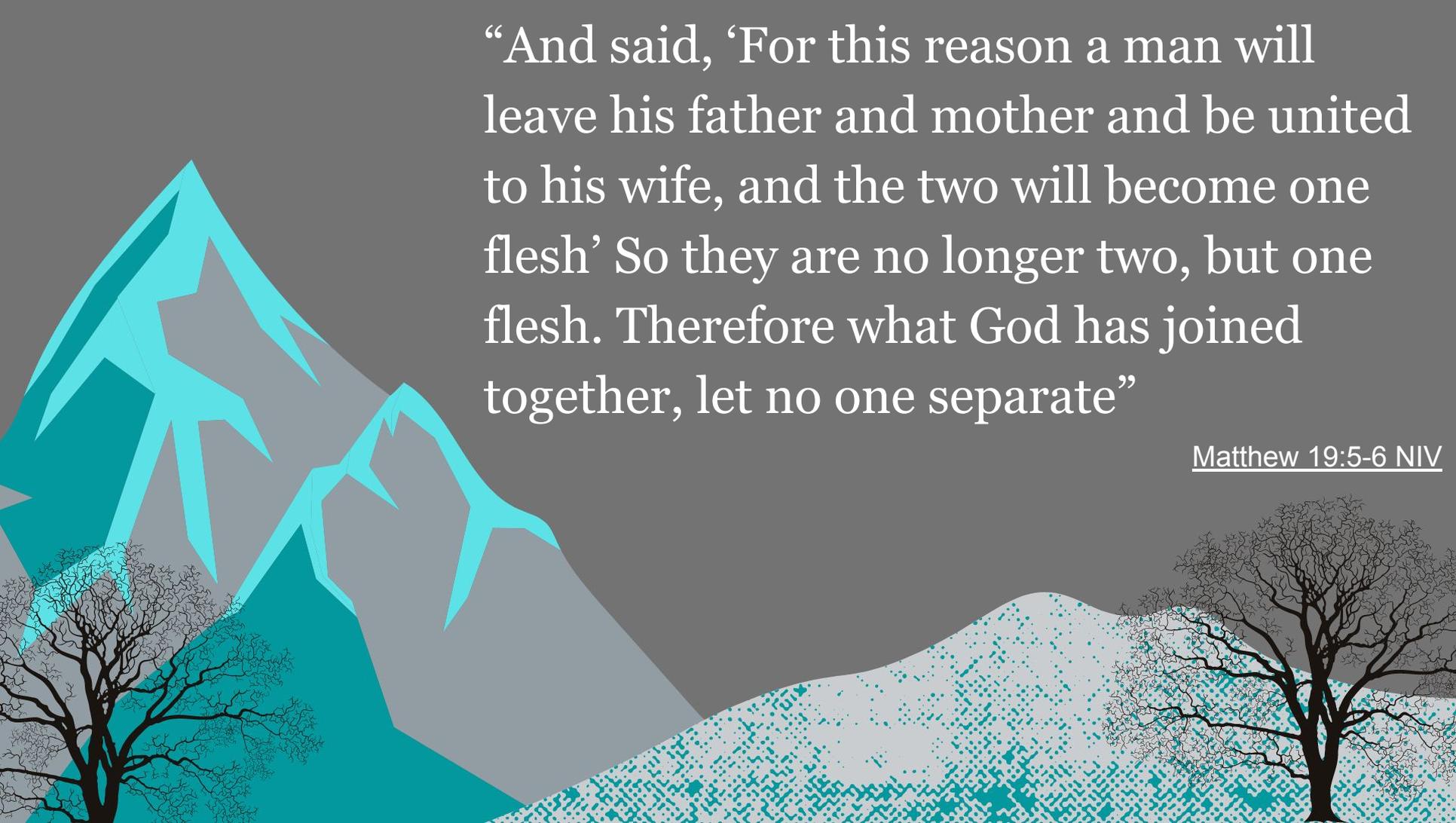
➤ Have to look at marriage





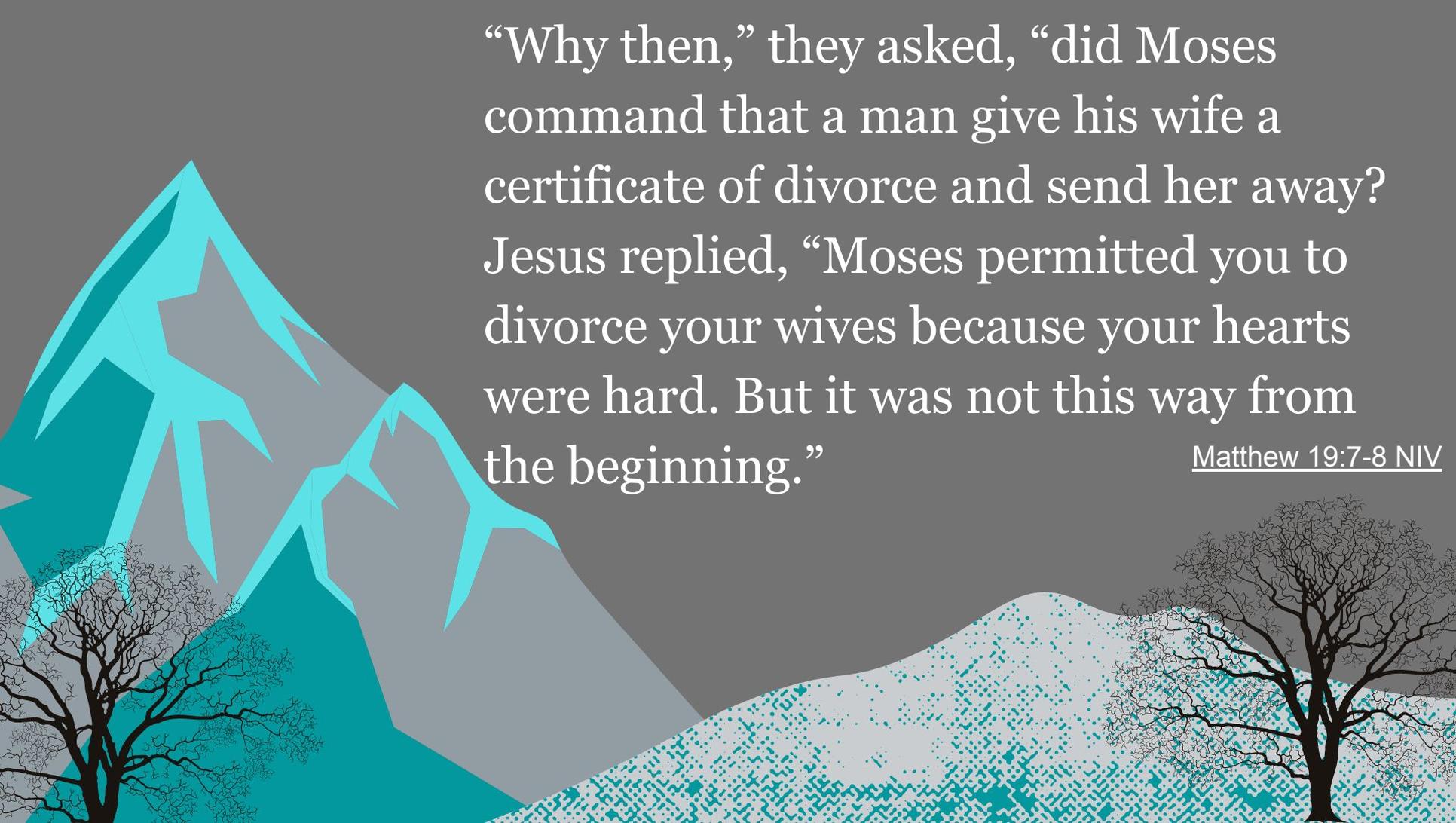
“Some Pharisees came to him to test him. They asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any and every reason?” “Haven’t you read,” he replied, “that at the beginning the Creator ‘made them male and female”

Matthew 19:3-4 NIV

A stylized landscape illustration. On the left, there are jagged, layered mountains in shades of teal and grey. In the foreground, a rolling hill is covered in a pattern of small teal and white dots. Two dark, leafless trees are positioned on the left and right sides of the foreground. The background is a solid grey color.

“And said, ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate”

Matthew 19:5-6 NIV

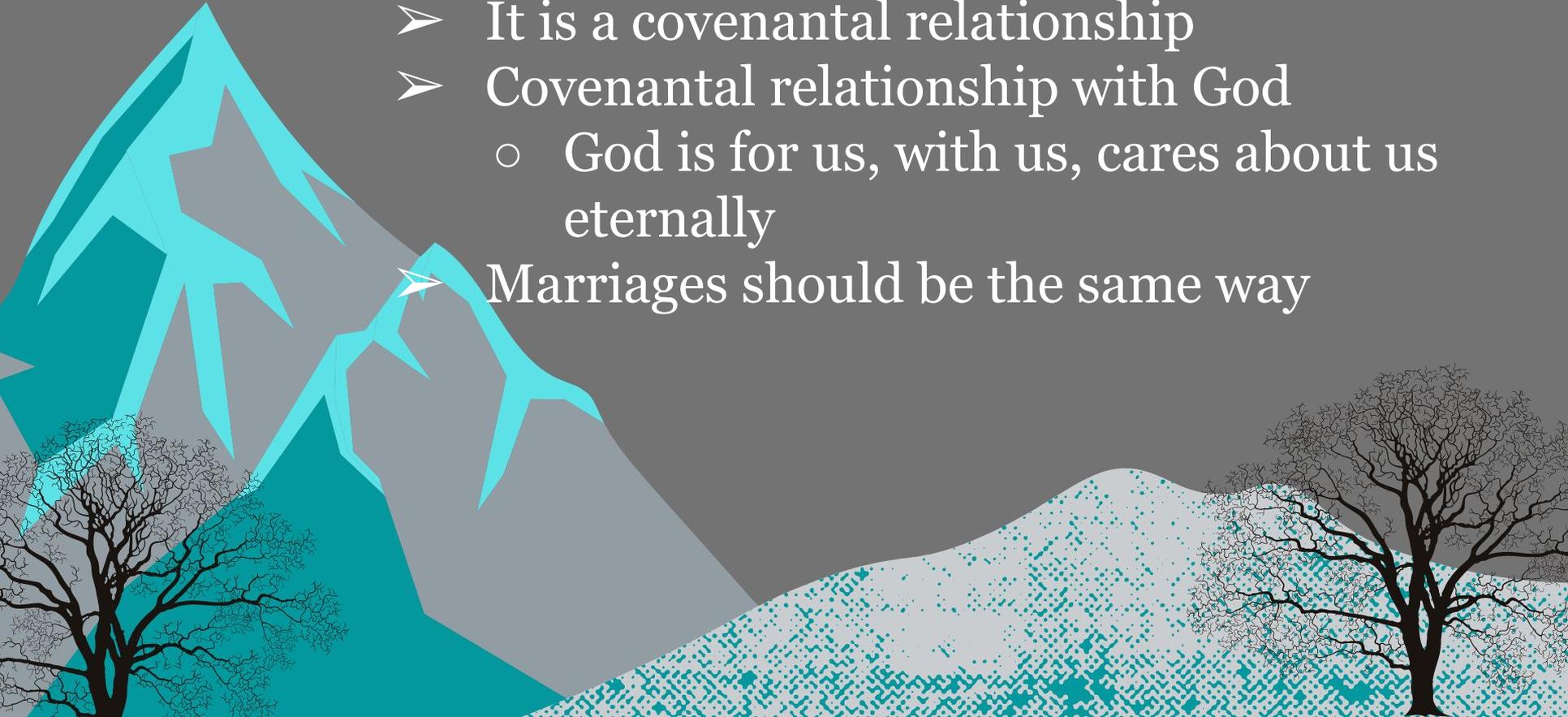


“Why then,” they asked, “did Moses command that a man give his wife a certificate of divorce and send her away? Jesus replied, “Moses permitted you to divorce your wives because your hearts were hard. But it was not this way from the beginning.”

Matthew 19:7-8 NIV

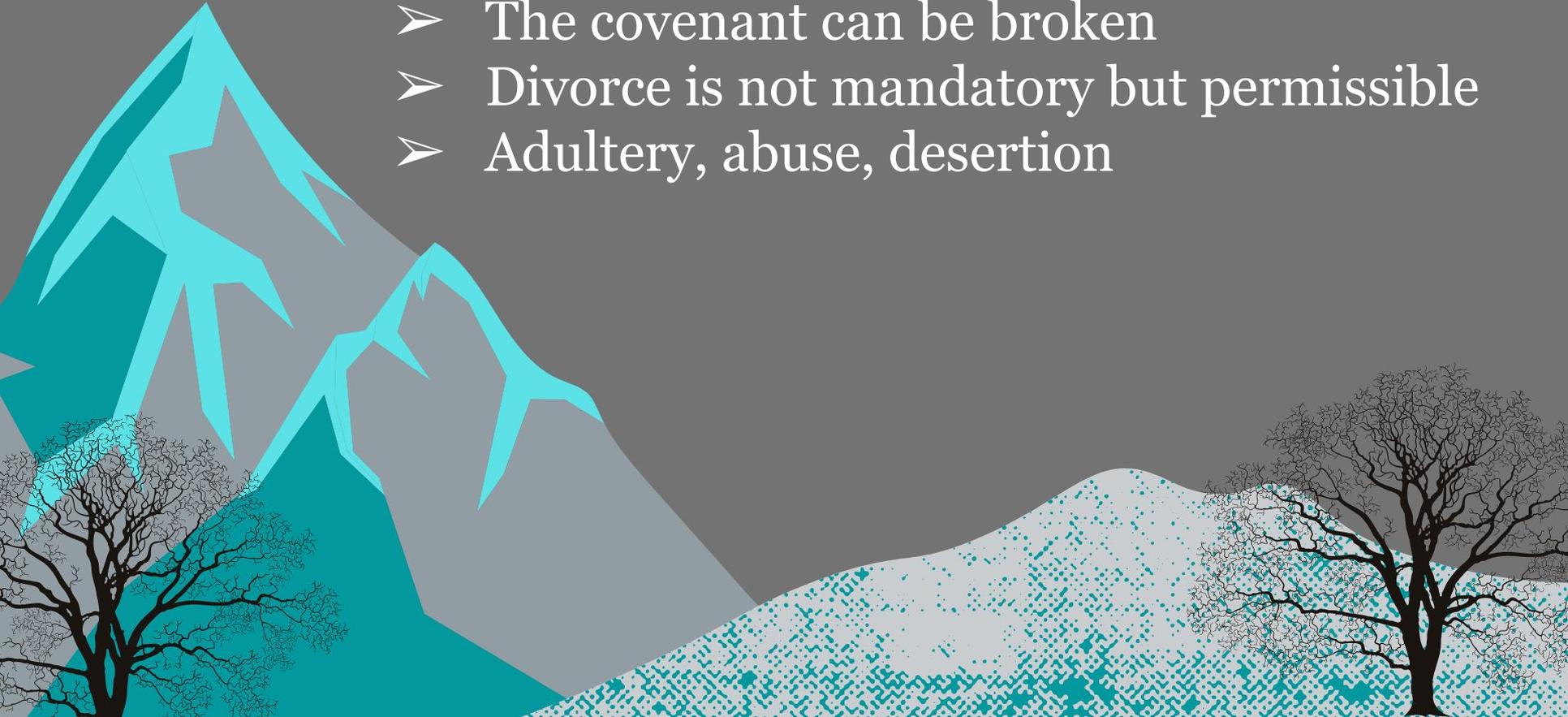
Marriage

- It is a covenantal relationship
- Covenantal relationship with God
 - God is for us, with us, cares about us eternally
- Marriages should be the same way



Divorce

- The covenant can be broken
- Divorce is not mandatory but permissible
- Adultery, abuse, desertion



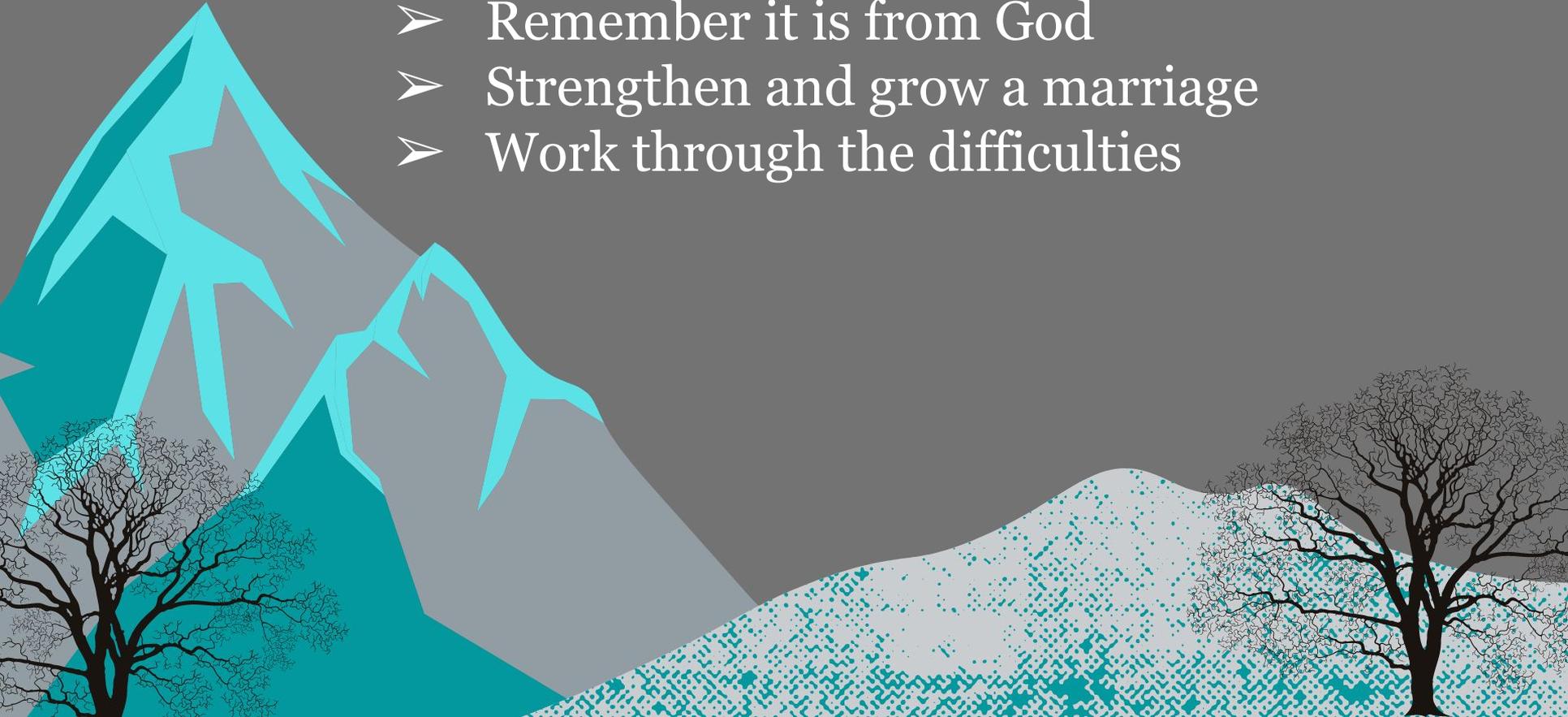
Respect Marriage

- Remember it is from God
- Strengthen and grow a marriage



Respect Marriage

- Remember it is from God
- Strengthen and grow a marriage
- Work through the difficulties



Closing

- Focus on your desires
- Respect what God has given you
- Desire God and respect God

