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Purity of heart is to will one thing



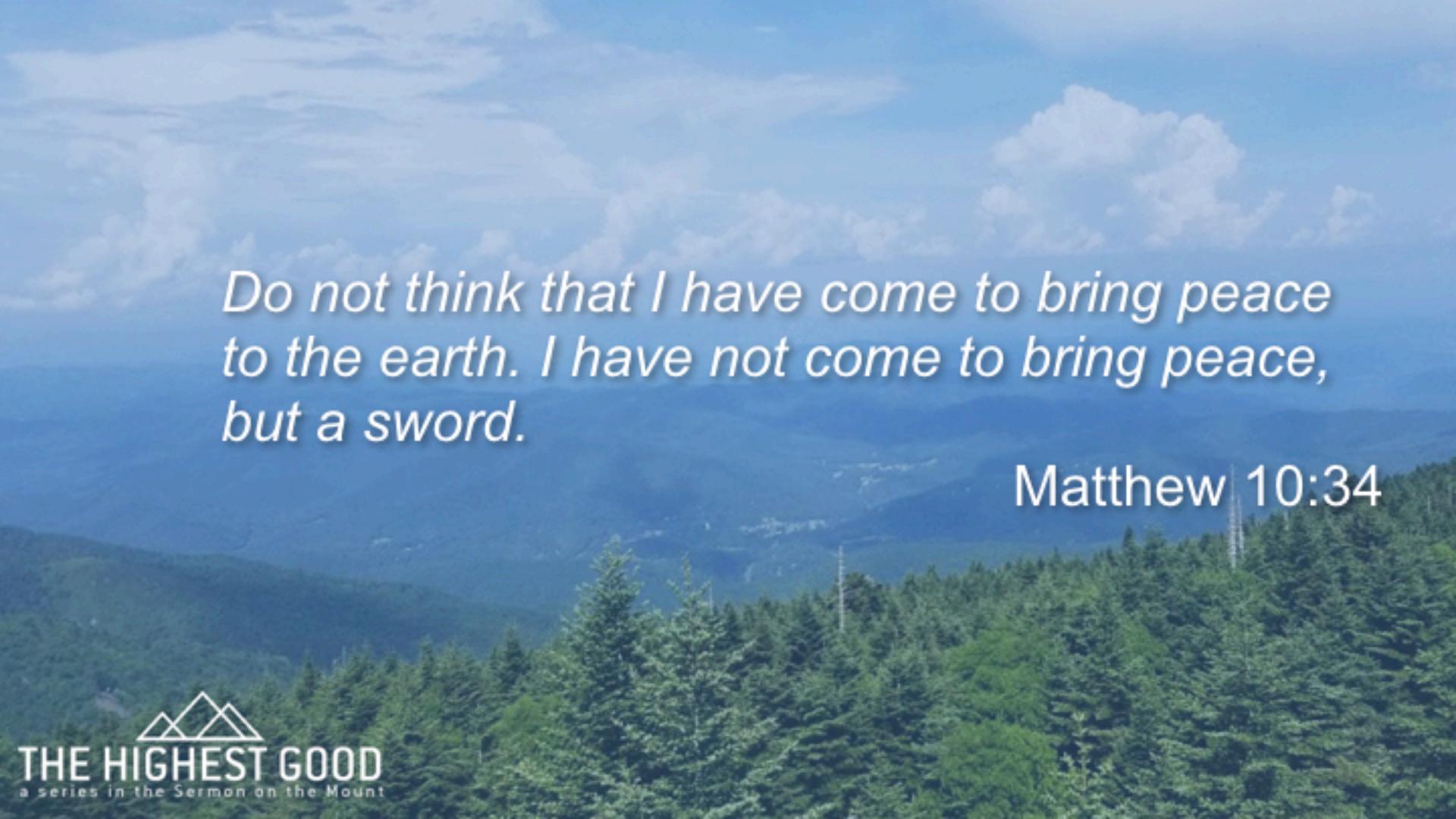
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Gucci family, c. 1972



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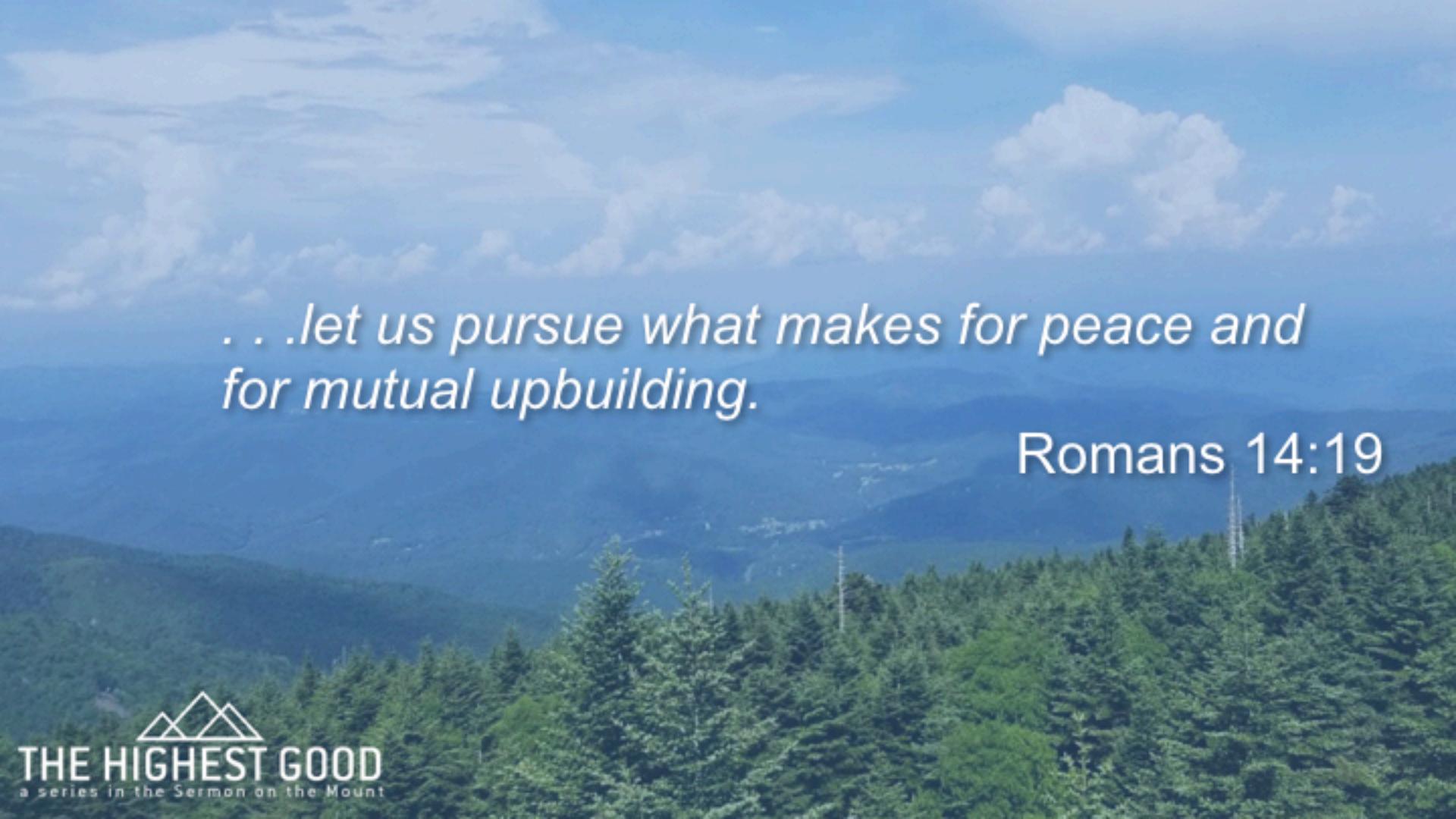


Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

Matthew 10:34



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*. . .let us pursue what makes for peace and
for mutual upbuilding.*

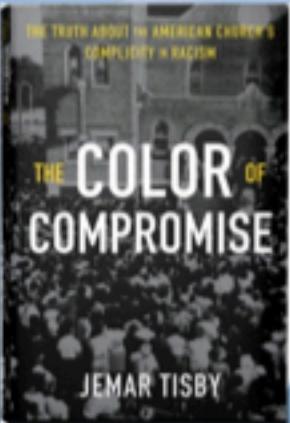
Romans 14:19



Es hat niemals einen guten Krieg und
niemals einen schlechten Frieden gegeben



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History and experience teaches us that there can be no reconciliation without repentance. There can be no repentance without confession. And there can be no confession without truth.



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NO MERCY FROM THE MOR.

A NEGRO QUICKLY HANGED FOR HIS CRIME.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., July 15.—Yesterday about 1 o'clock a rumor reached here that an assault had been committed on Sallie Kate Parker, a white girl, 13 years of age, by a negro, in the northern suburbs of the city. The police were informed, and the country and town were searched closely for the guilty man. About 9 o'clock last night John Humphreys was arrested under strong suspicion. The girl had stated that the negro had on a striped shirt and was barefooted. When arrested Humphreys had on a white shirt and shoes; but it was ascertained that he had taken off a striped shirt and put on a white one and had put on shoes. He was made to put on a striped shirt and take off the shoes, and was taken at once into the presence of the girl, who identified him immediately. The negro was then locked up in the city jailhouse. In order to avoid trial, at 1 o'clock this morning the negro was put in the steel cage of the county jail.

About 3:15 A. M. a band of from 25 to 40 masked men came to the jail, and before Deputy Sheriff Worley, who had the jail in charge, was aware of it they were in the jail. He seized a gun and ran to the top of the steps and opened fire upon the crowd, which was returned with a shower of bullets. The walls of the jail show that there was much firing, but no one was hurt, as far as ascertained. Sheriff Worley surrendered, but would not give the combination to the cage lock. The mob, being prepared with engine-hammers and crowbars, literally tore the cage to pieces, occupying fully an hour in doing it, and took the negro out and hanged him to a tree about a quarter of a mile from the jail in the city limits. As soon as released Sheriff Worley rang the fire bell, and soon headed a posse and tried to recover the prisoner, but was stoned by the mob. The girl was waylaid on her way from town in a hollow in the woods. The negro crept up behind her and struck her down. The girl's throat and face were torn with his finger nails, and the ground where the assault was made show signs of a hard struggle. It is rumored that the negro made a full confession of his guilt before he was hanged.

CORONER'S INQUEST BEGUN

Inquiry Into the Death of Bob Brachett Begun.

SOUVENIRS OF LYNCHING

SCENES IN THE VICINITY OF THE HENDERSON HOME.

Brachett's Body Brought to the City Last Evening—The Trip Described by a Member of the A. L. I.

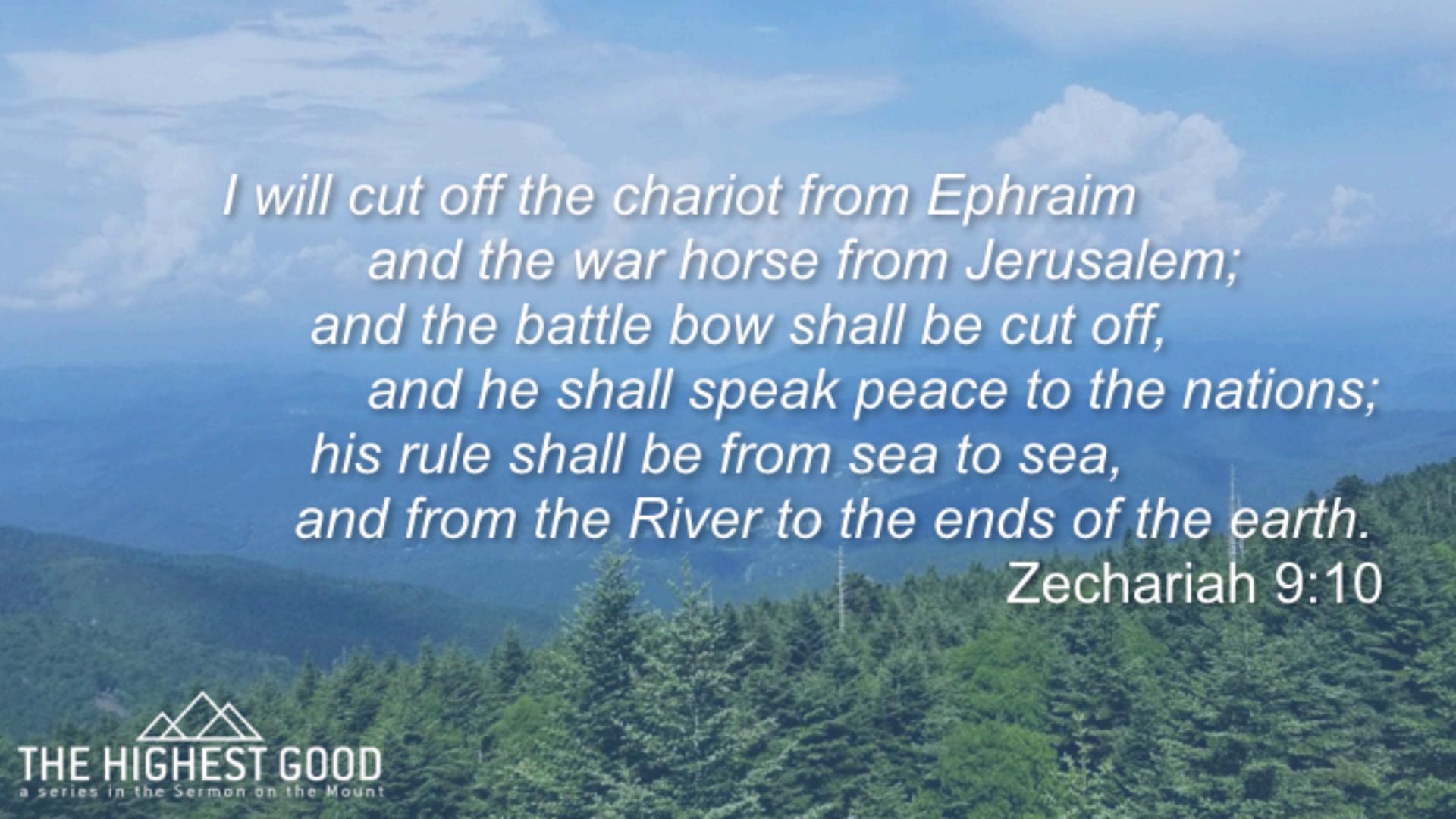
The scene about the Henderson home yesterday caused ones mind to revert to the old Methodist camp meeting. The small and old frame house

New York Times,
July 16, 1888

Asheville Daily Citizen,
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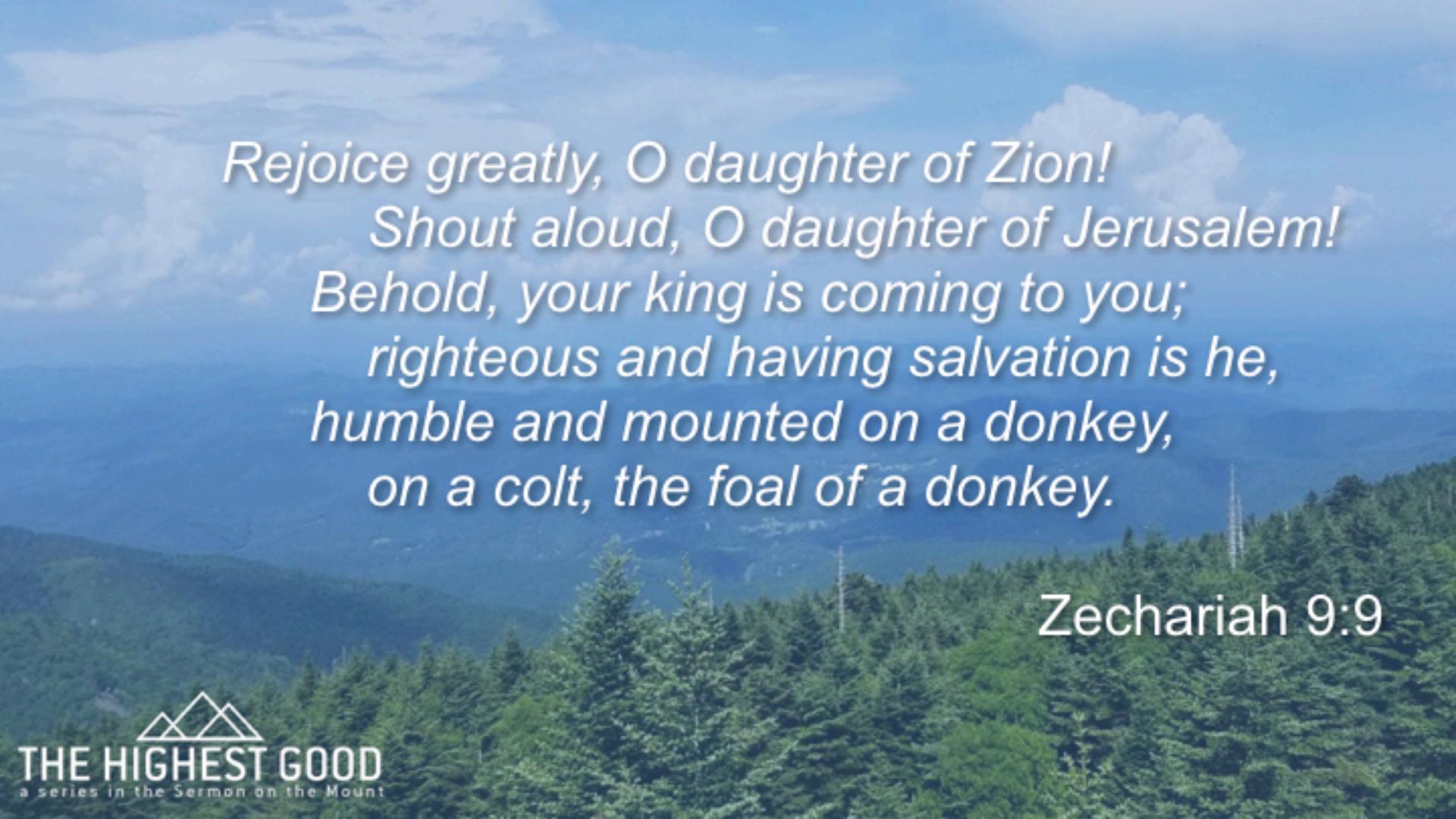
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*I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the war horse from Jerusalem;
and the battle bow shall be cut off,
and he shall speak peace to the nations;
his rule shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.*

Zechariah 9:10



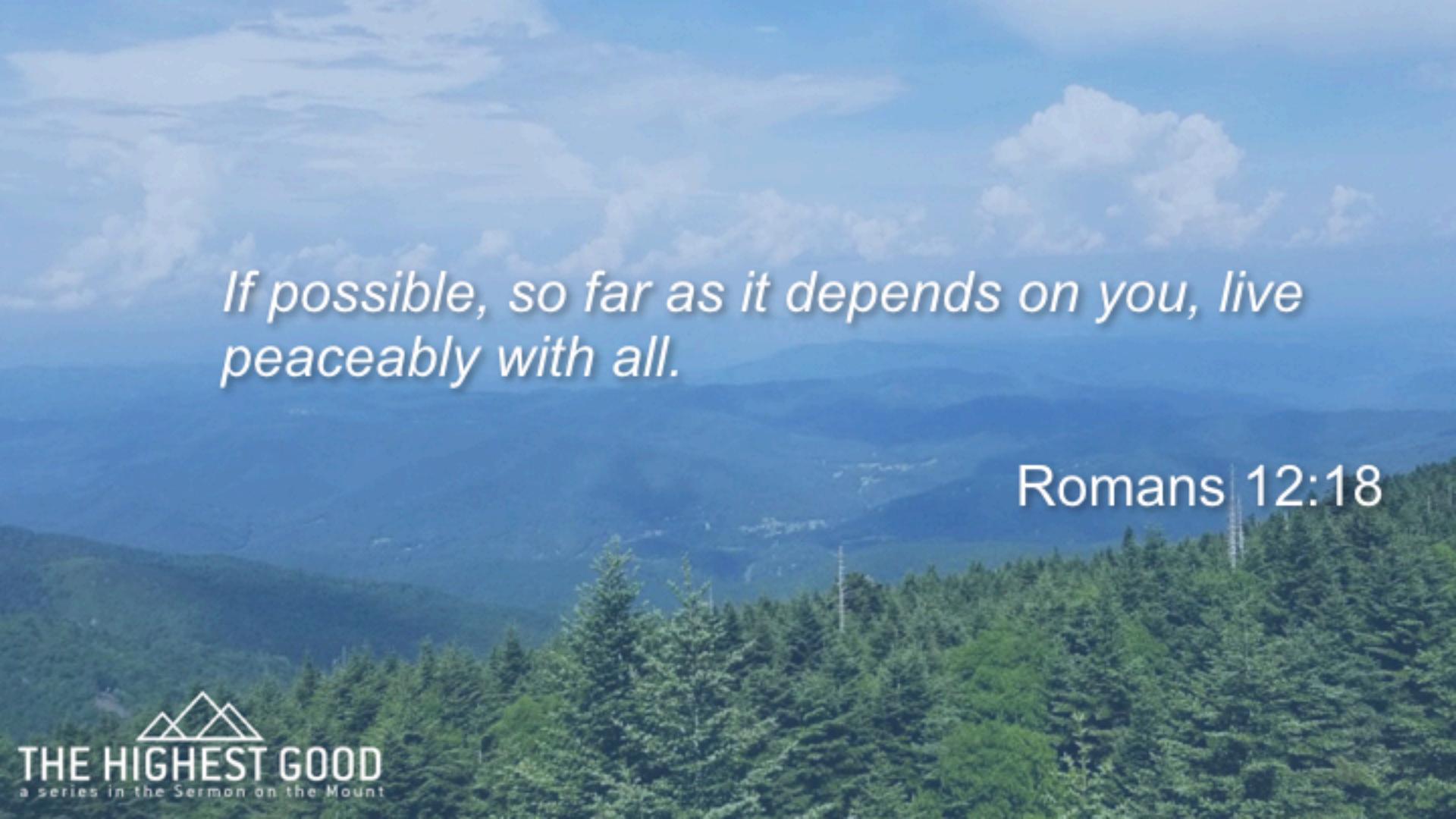


*Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!
Behold, your king is coming to you;
righteous and having salvation is he,
humble and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.*

Zechariah 9:9



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*If possible, so far as it depends on you, live
peaceably with all.*

Romans 12:18



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David Wilcox

*When there's no pretending
Then the truth is safe to say
Start with the ending
Get it out of the way
Now there's no defending
Because no one has to win
Start with the ending
It's the best way to begin*





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*After you've both decided
You were missing something that
you need
The ways that you were too short-
sighted
Get easier for you to see
After all the expectations
Shatter on the kitchen floor
You just see another human
suffering
And wonder what the war was for*





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