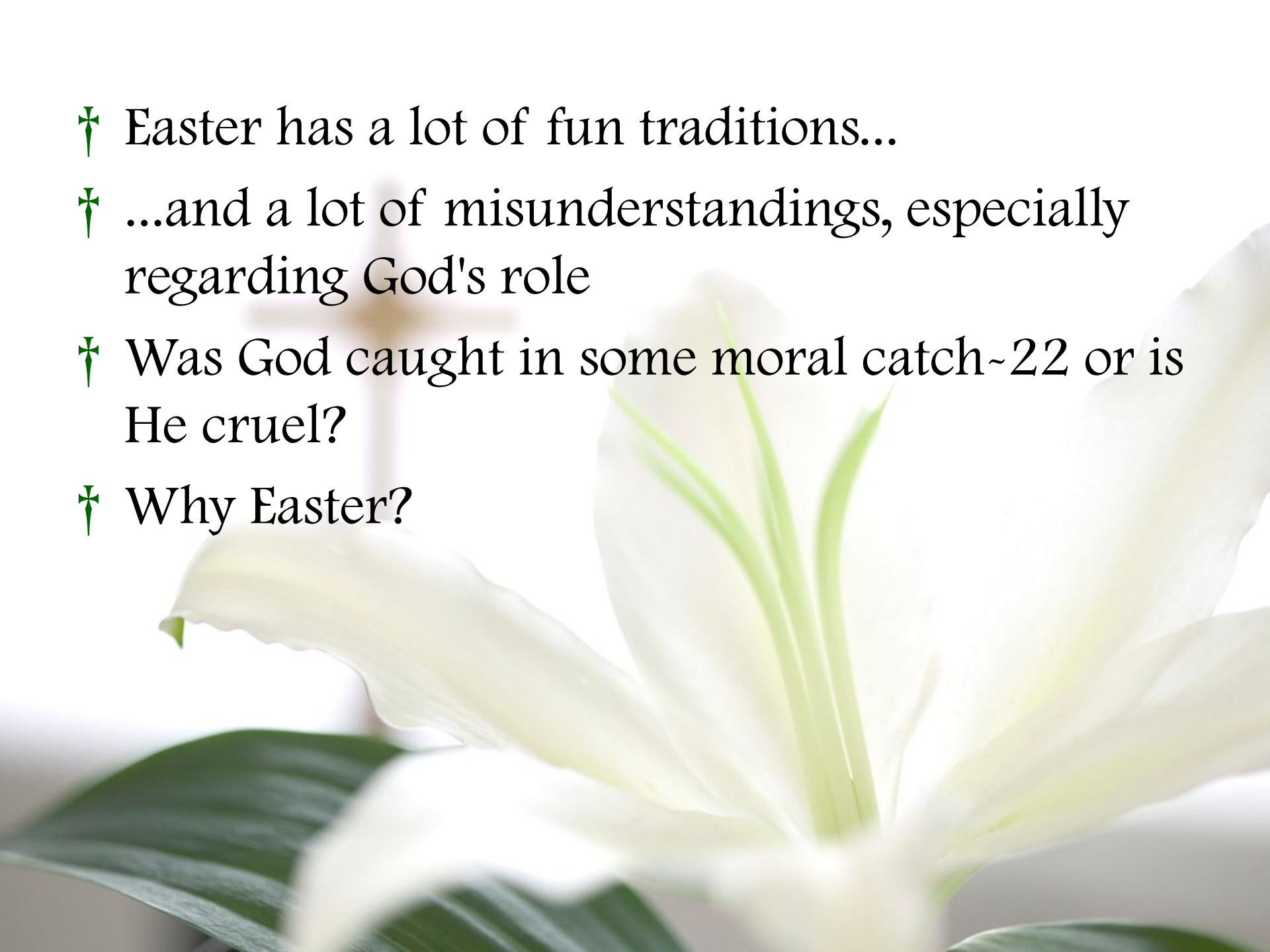


Wrath ~ Easter ~ Rescue

Romans 1:18

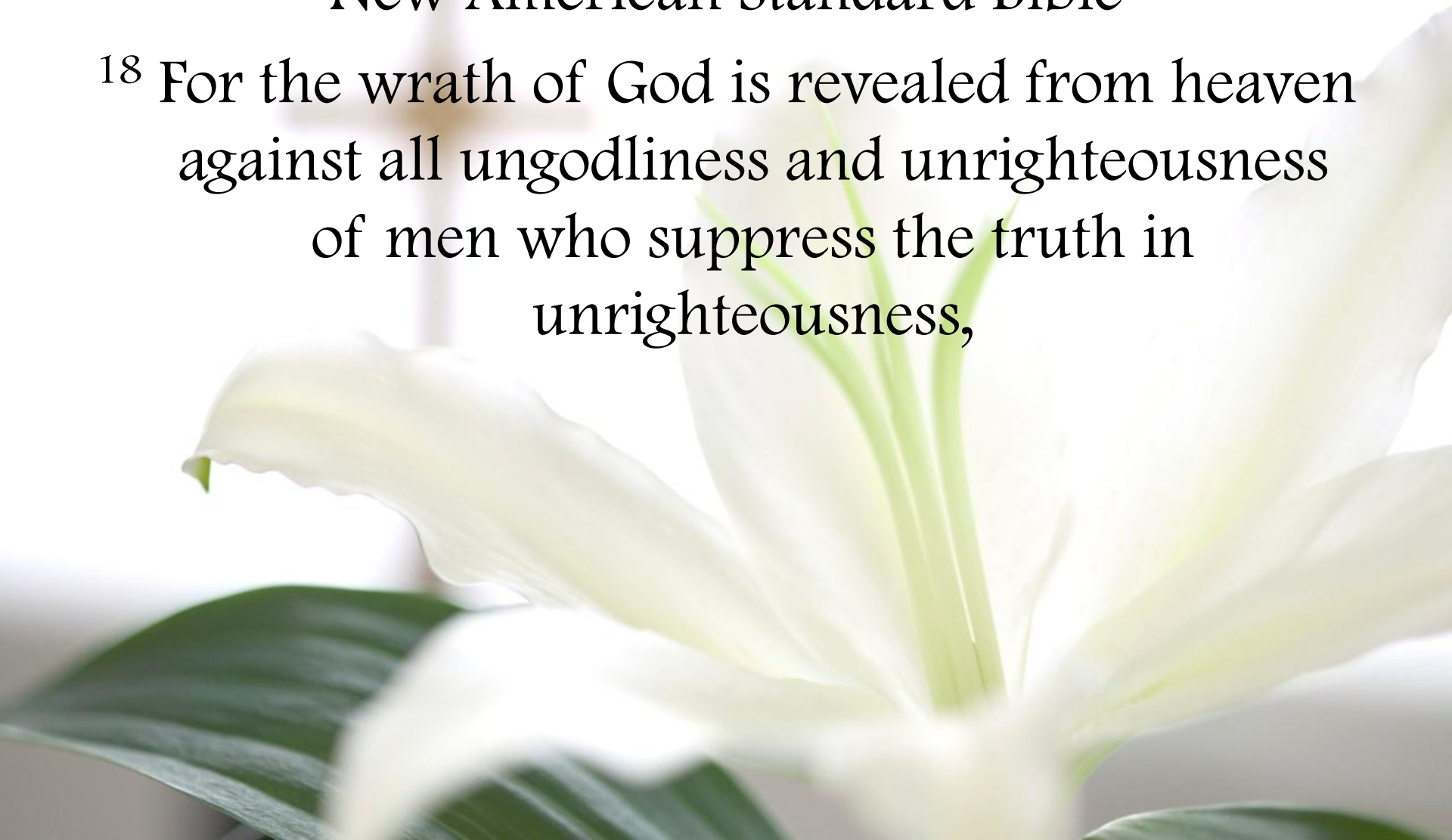


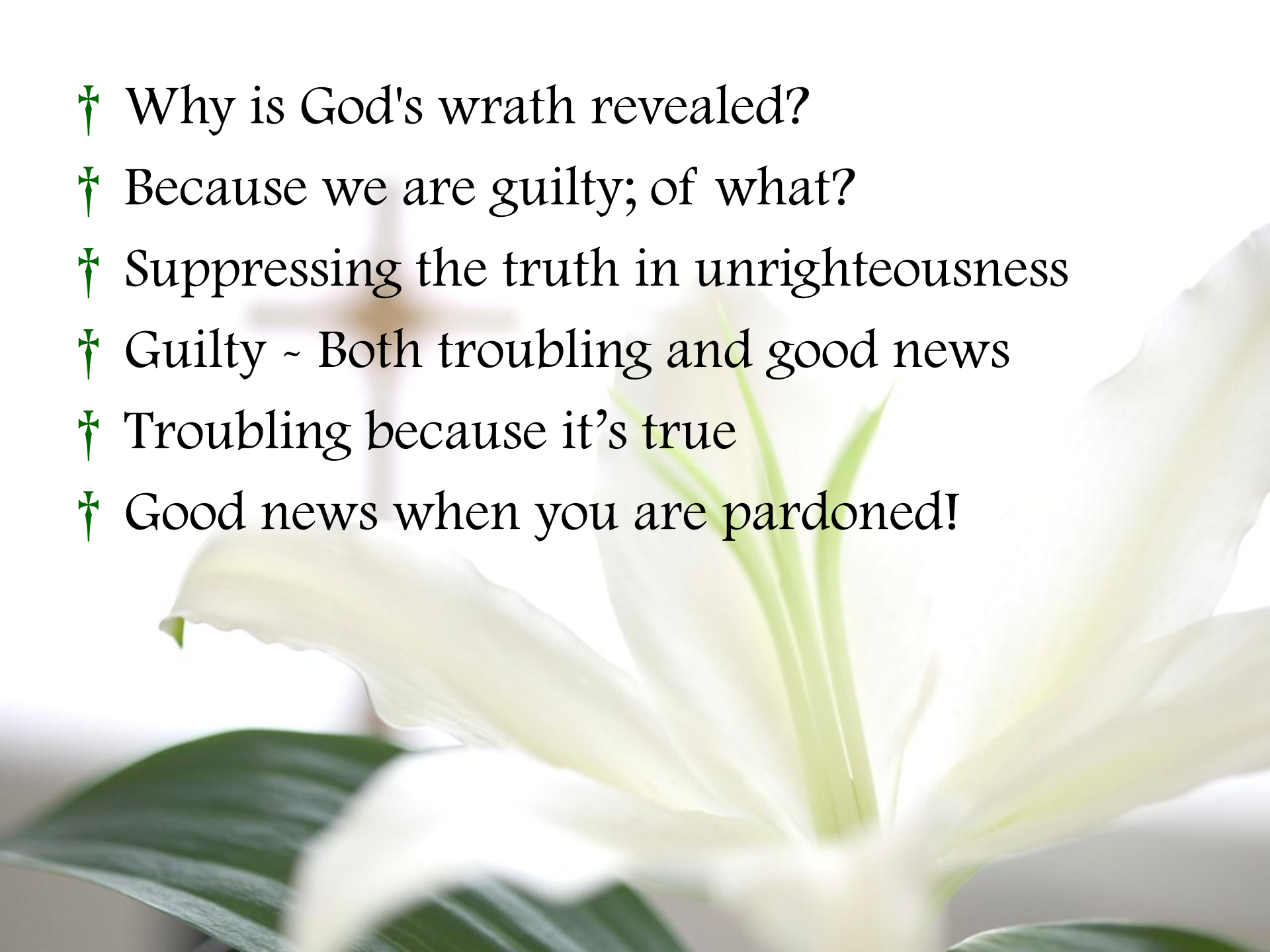
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- ✠ Easter has a lot of fun traditions...
 - ✠ ...and a lot of misunderstandings, especially regarding God's role
 - ✠ Was God caught in some moral catch-22 or is He cruel?
 - ✠ Why Easter?

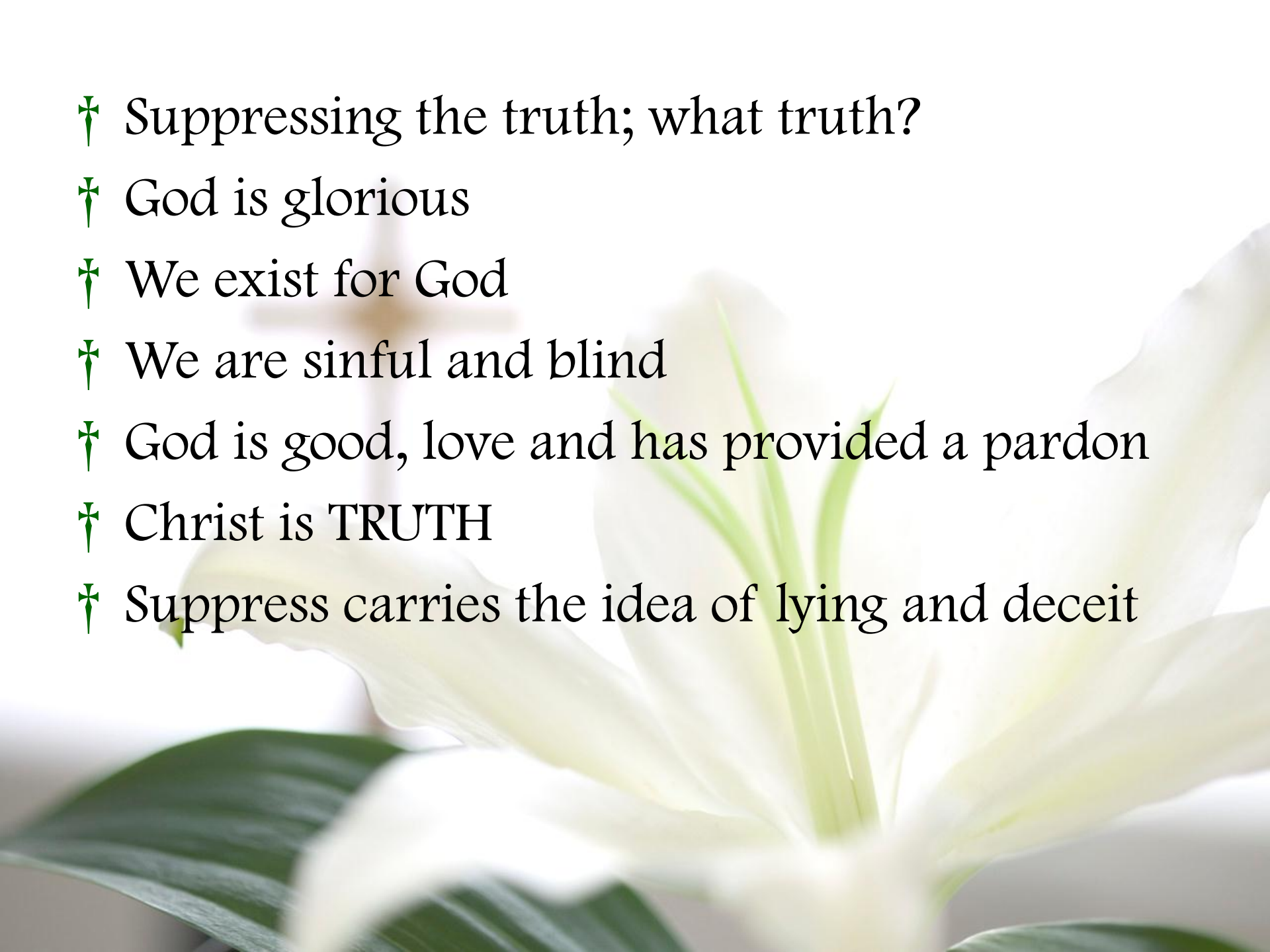
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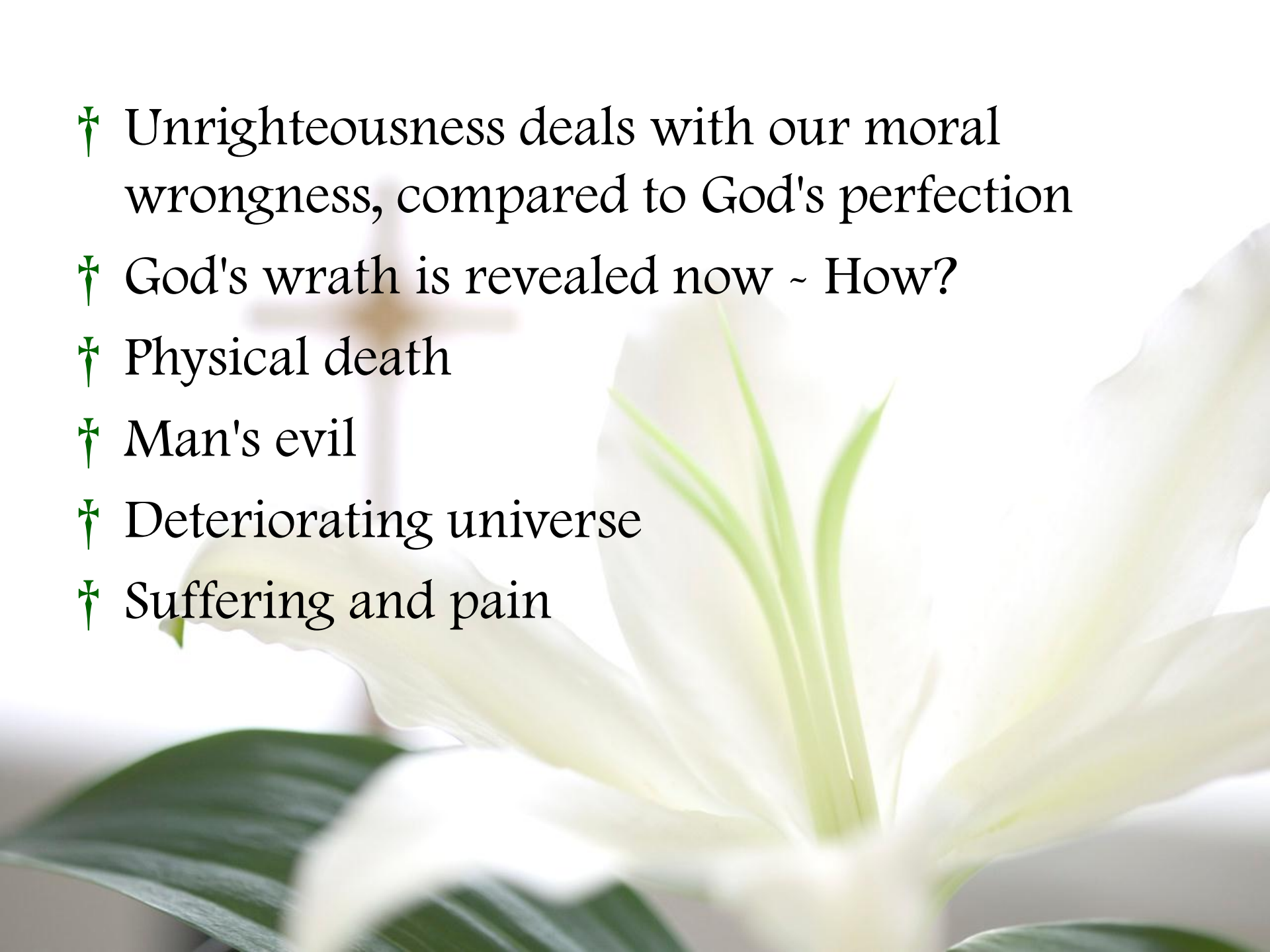
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¹⁸ For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,



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- ✠ Why is God's wrath revealed?
 - ✠ Because we are guilty; of what?
 - ✠ Suppressing the truth in unrighteousness
 - ✠ Guilty ~ Both troubling and good news
 - ✠ Troubling because it's true
 - ✠ Good news when you are pardoned!

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- † Suppressing the truth; what truth?
 - † God is glorious
 - † We exist for God
 - † We are sinful and blind
 - † God is good, love and has provided a pardon
 - † Christ is TRUTH
 - † Suppress carries the idea of lying and deceit

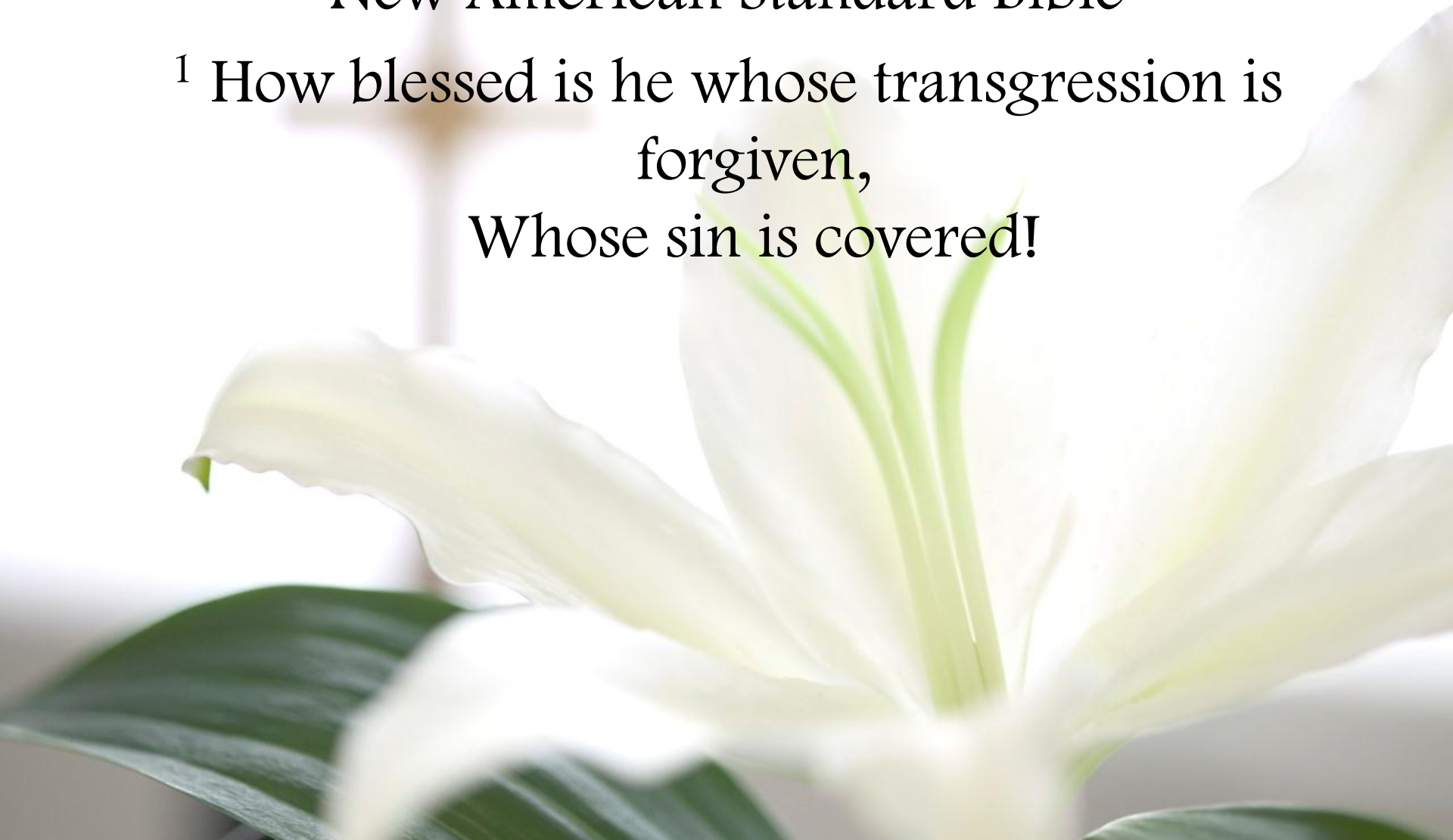
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- † Unrighteousness deals with our moral wrongness, compared to God's perfection
 - † God's wrath is revealed now ~ How?
 - † Physical death
 - † Man's evil
 - † Deteriorating universe
 - † Suffering and pain

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- ✠ This is where Easter comes in!
 - ✠ Matthew 26:39 ~ This is the cup of God's wrath
 - ✠ We need this cup removed and the cup taken from us

Psalm 32:1

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¹ How blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven,
Whose sin is covered!



Isaiah 51:22

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²² Thus says your Lord, the LORD, even your
God

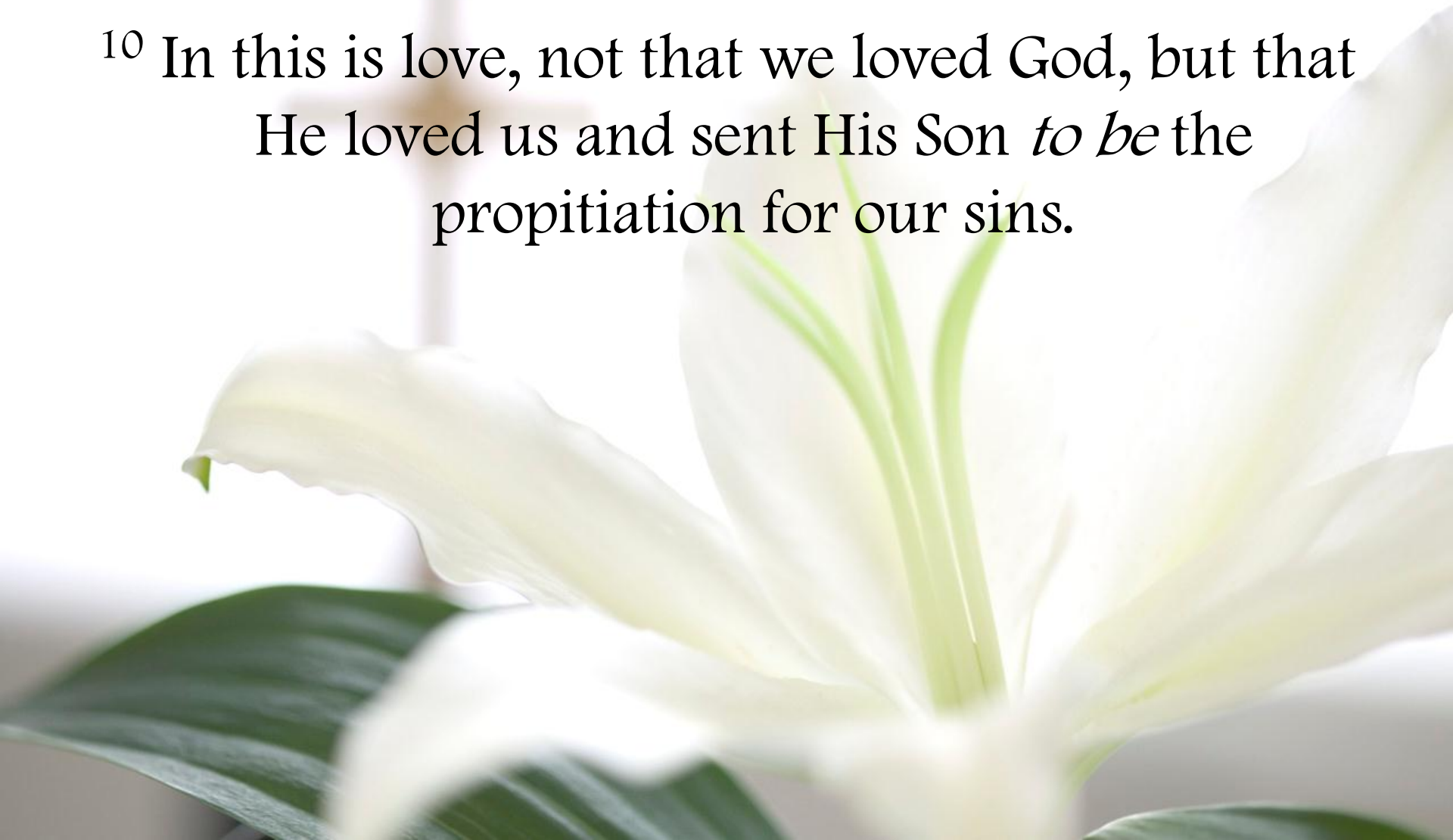
Who contends for His people,
“Behold, I have taken out of your hand the
cup of reeling,
The chalice of My anger;
You will never drink it again.

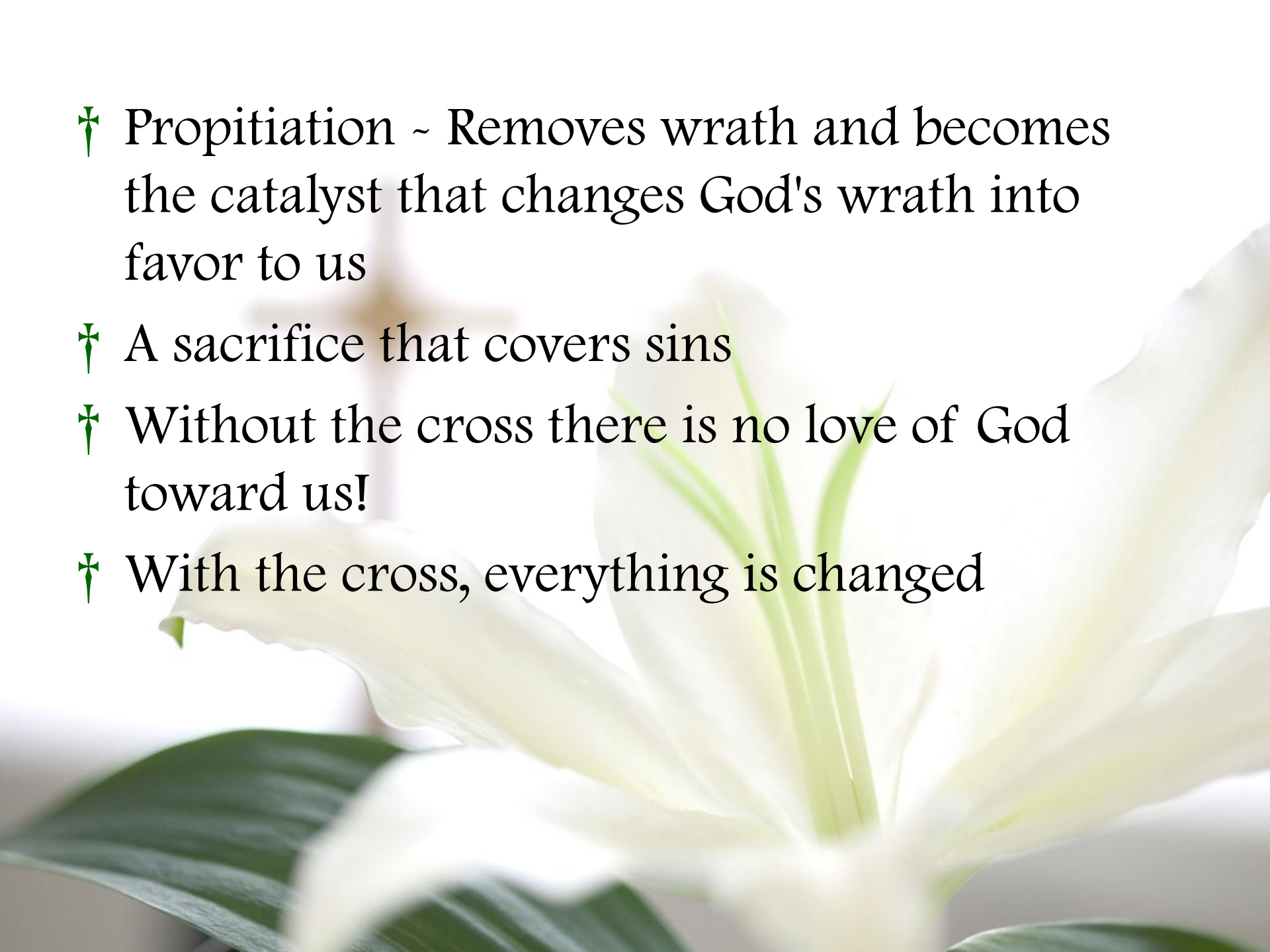
† Christ drank all from the cup so our sins
could be covered

1 John 4:10

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¹⁰ In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.

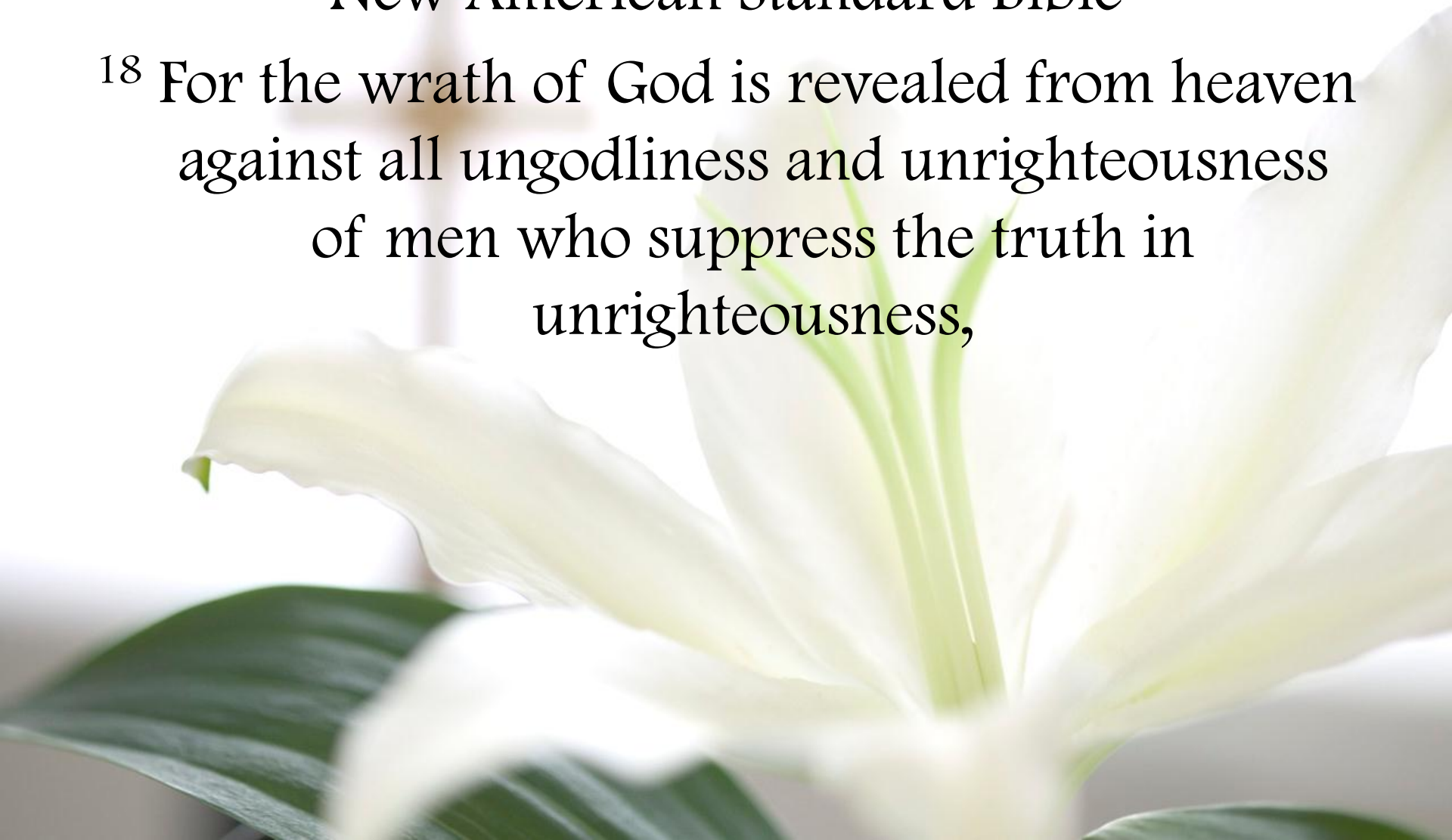


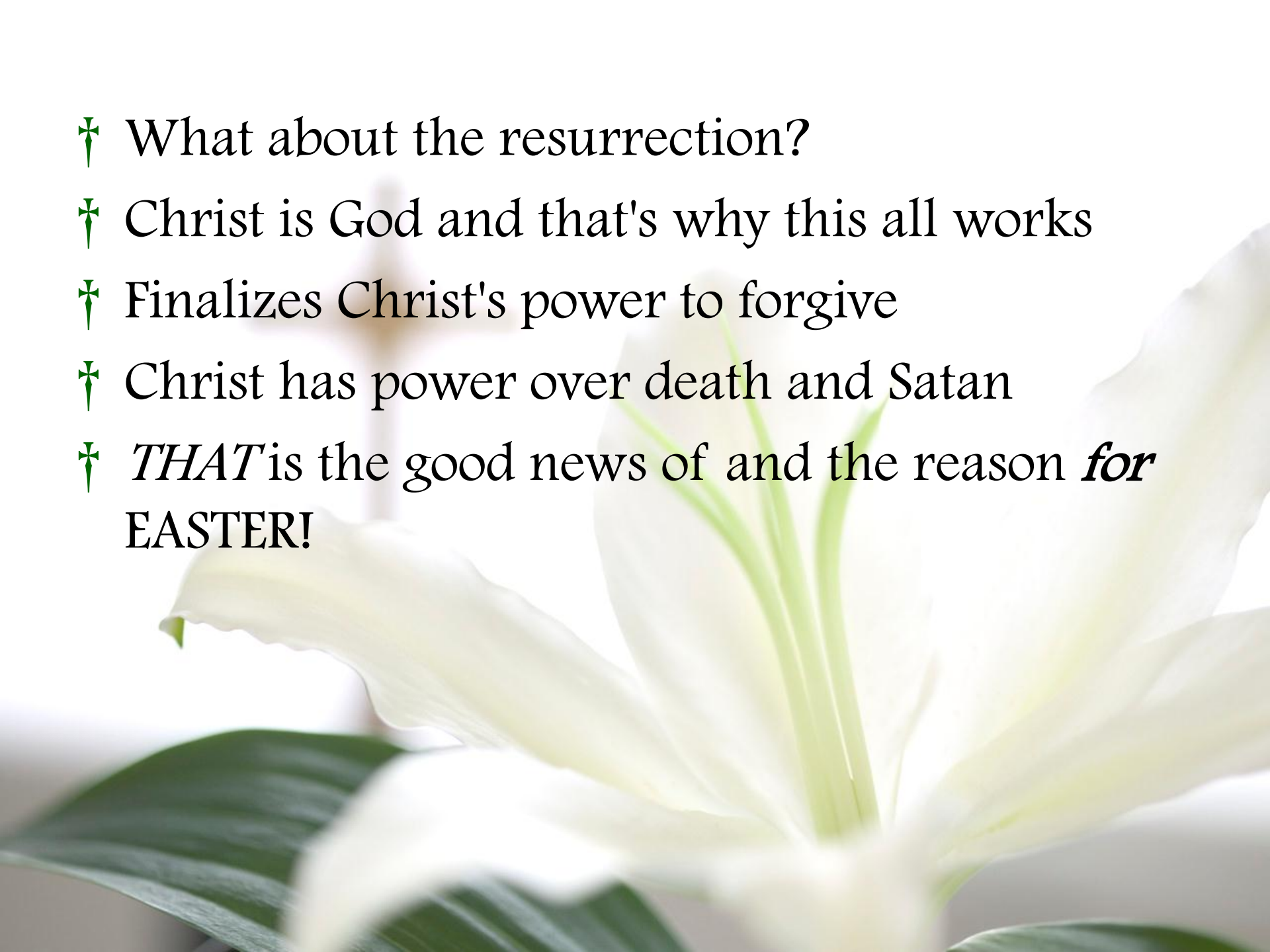
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- † Propitiation ~ Removes wrath and becomes the catalyst that changes God's wrath into favor to us
 - † A sacrifice that covers sins
 - † Without the cross there is no love of God toward us!
 - † With the cross, everything is changed

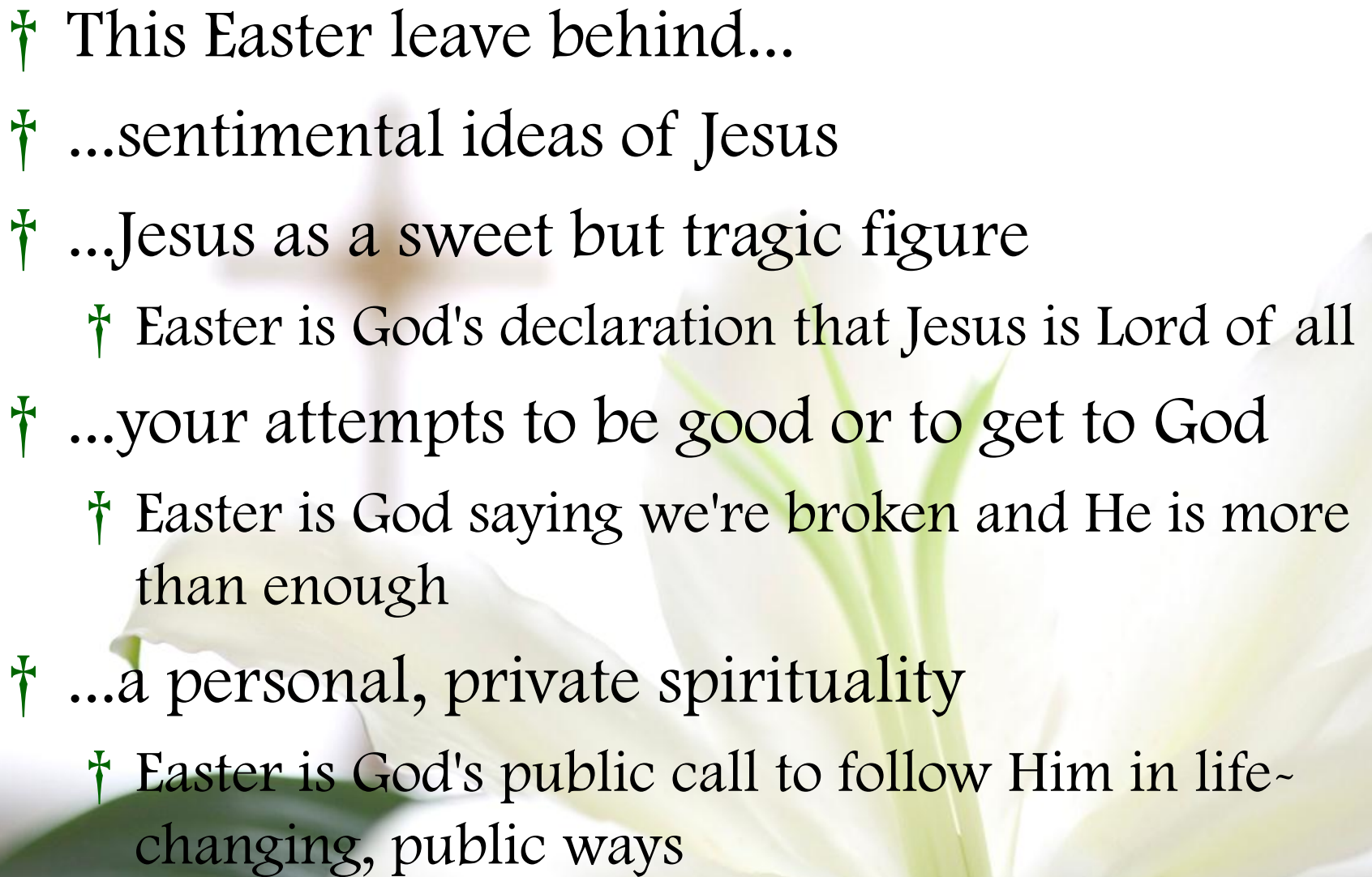
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- ✦ What about the resurrection?
 - ✦ Christ is God and that's why this all works
 - ✦ Finalizes Christ's power to forgive
 - ✦ Christ has power over death and Satan
 - ✦ *THAT* is the good news of and the reason *for*
EASTER!

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- † This Easter leave behind...
 - † ...sentimental ideas of Jesus
 - † ...Jesus as a sweet but tragic figure
 - † Easter is God's declaration that Jesus is Lord of all
 - † ...your attempts to be good or to get to God
 - † Easter is God saying we're broken and He is more than enough
 - † ...a personal, private spirituality
 - † Easter is God's public call to follow Him in life-changing, public ways

† HOW?

Romans 10:9~10

New American Standard Bible

⁹ that if you confess with your mouth Jesus *as* Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;
¹⁰ for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.

New Beginnings!

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9:30 Prayer & Tour ~ 10:15 Service



*Invite your friends and neighbors
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