

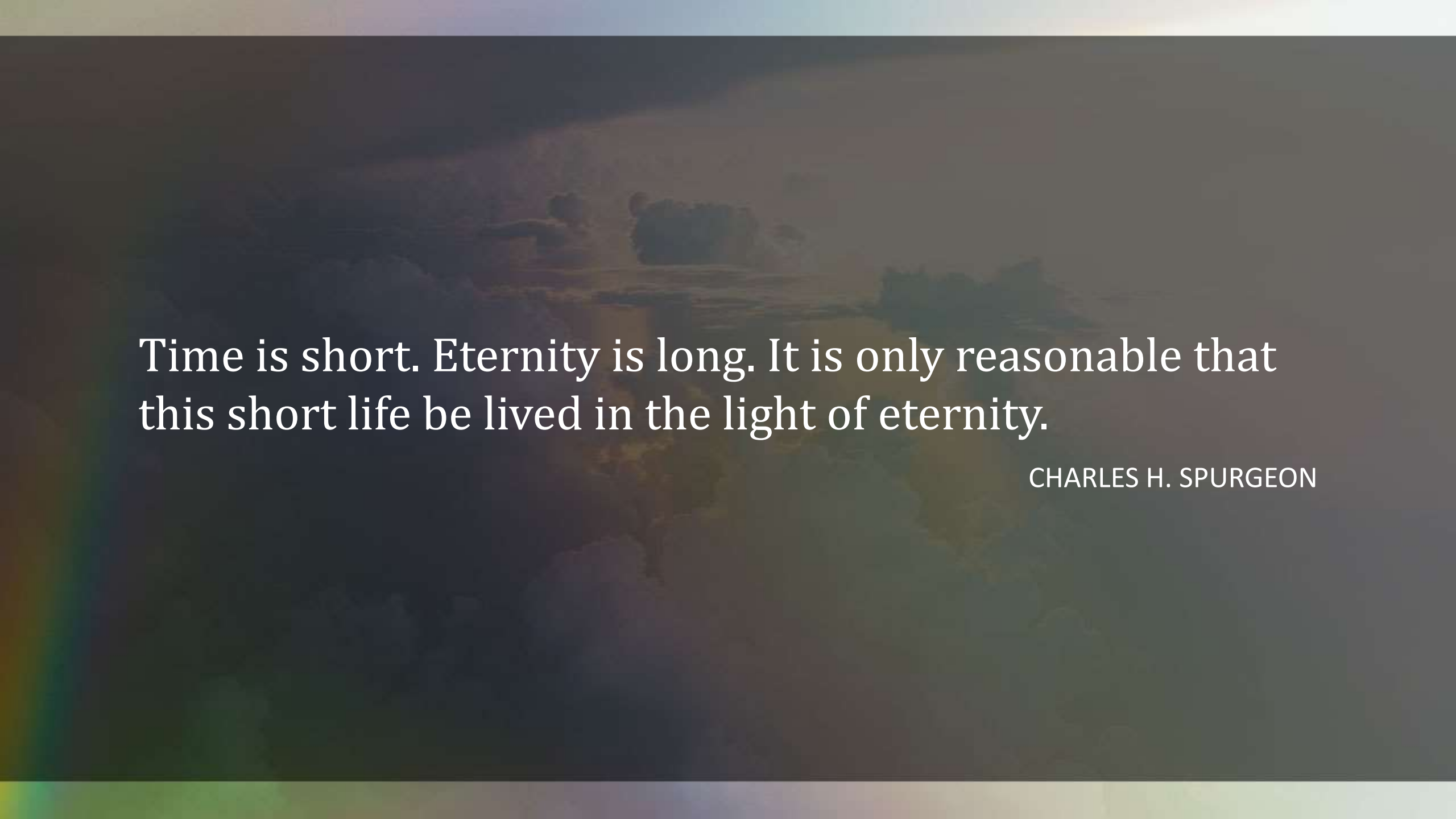


H E A V E N

UNFORGETTING THE GOSPEL'S GLORY

A dramatic sky with dark, heavy clouds and a faint rainbow visible on the left side.

HEAVEN'S LIGHT



Time is short. Eternity is long. It is only reasonable that
this short life be lived in the light of eternity.

CHARLES H. SPURGEON

The man who is about to sail for Australia or New Zealand as a settler, is naturally anxious to know something about his future home, its climate, its employments, its inhabitants, its ways, its customs. All these are subjects of deep interest to him. You are leaving the land of your nativity, you are going to spend the rest of your life in a new hemisphere. It would be strange indeed if you did not desire information about your new abode. Now surely, if we hope to dwell forever in that “better country, even a heavenly one,” we ought to seek all the knowledge we can get about it. Before we go to our eternal home we should try to become acquainted with it.

J. C. RYLE

HEAVEN'S GLORY

- Creator
- Redeemer
- New Creation
 - Dualism, Platonism, Christoplatonism
 - Spiritual Vision Model (**SVM**) vs. New Creation Model (**NCM**)
- Better Than Creation

HEAVEN'S GOSPEL

- Eden
- The Fall and the Curse
- The Hope of the Gospel
 - The Importance of Incarnation and Resurrection
 - The Power of the Cross
 - Reversal of the Curse
 - Uplifting from the Fall
- Better Than Eden

HEAVEN'S KINGDOM

- A Kingdom of **Redemption**
- A Kingdom of **Righteousness**
- A Kingdom of **Relationships**
- **Better** Than A Kingdom

HEAVEN'S LIFE

- **Eternal Life**

- **Discontinuities**

- SIN
- Death
- Mourning, Weeping, Sorrow, Crying
- Pain
- Disease
- Insecurity and Fear

- **Continuities**

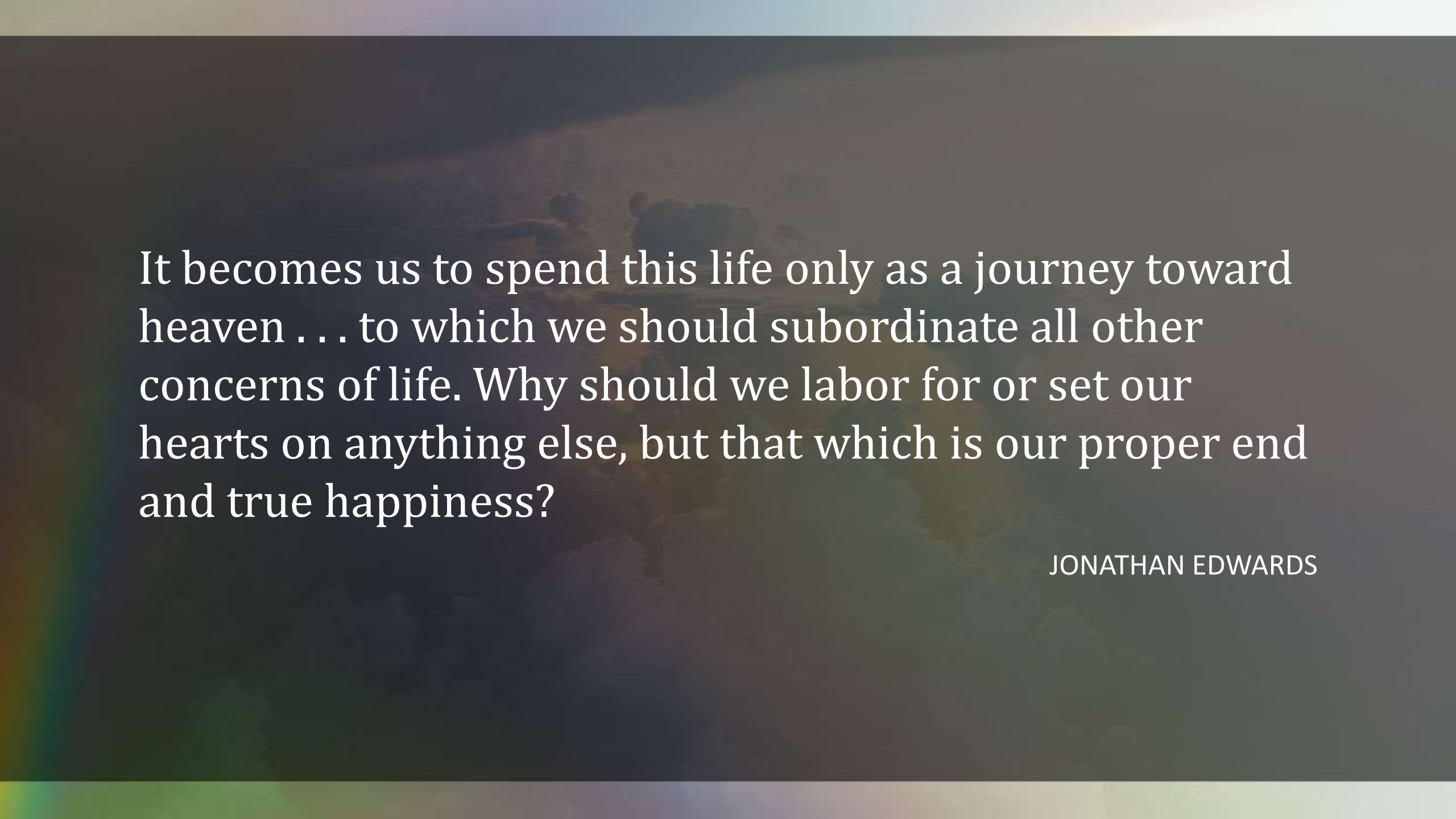
- Consciousness
- Personality
- Identity
- Individuality
- Diversity
- Knowledge
- Desires
- Feelings and Emotions
- Affections
- Relationships

HEAVEN'S LIFE

- **Our Relationships**
- **Our Bodies**
- **Our Occupations**
 - Enjoy **Worshiping** without Distraction
 - Enjoy **Working** without Exhaustion
 - Enjoy **Ruling and Reigning** with Christ
- Enjoy **Fellowship and Banqueting**
- Enjoy **Music**
- Enjoy **Learning**
- Enjoy **Building**
- Enjoy **Farming**
- Enjoy **Raising Livestock**
- Enjoy **Relief and Rest**

A dramatic, low-key photograph of a sunset or sunrise over a body of water. The sky is filled with dark, heavy clouds, and a bright light source is visible on the horizon, creating a strong glow and reflecting on the water. A faint rainbow is visible on the left side of the image. The overall mood is somber yet hopeful.

HOPE



It becomes us to spend this life only as a journey toward heaven . . . to which we should subordinate all other concerns of life. Why should we labor for or set our hearts on anything else, but that which is our proper end and true happiness?

JONATHAN EDWARDS

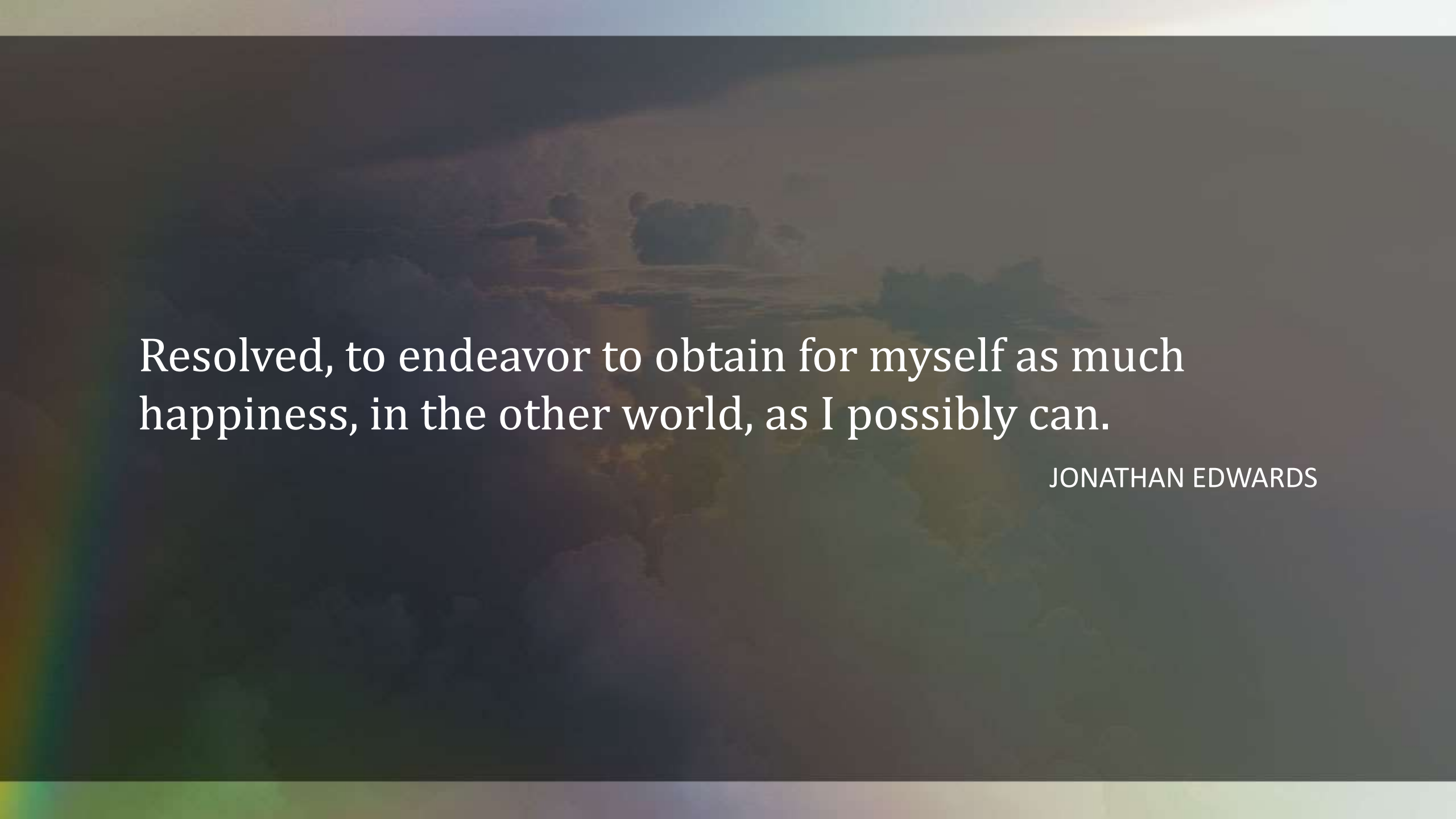
A dramatic, low-key photograph of a cloudy sky at sunset or sunrise. The sky is filled with dark, textured clouds, and a faint rainbow is visible on the left side. The overall mood is somber and contemplative.

HOLINESS

BETTER THAN BETTER

Every description of heaven they have ever heard
will pale in the light of reality.

ERWIN LUTZER



Resolved, to endeavor to obtain for myself as much happiness, in the other world, as I possibly can.

JONATHAN EDWARDS

A dramatic, dark sky with a rainbow on the left and a bright light source on the right.

For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

THE APOSTLE PAUL