

**ATTITUDE
IS EVERYTHING.**

LIFE is **10%**
OF WHAT YOU MAKE IT
& 90% OF **HOW**
YOU TAKE IT.

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***The Battle Rages
But Satan Will Not Win!***

Matthew 16:18

Part 1



A man in tactical gear, including a cap, sunglasses, and gloves, stands in the center of the frame. He is positioned in front of a dark, smoky background. To his left, a vehicle is engulfed in bright orange flames. To his right, the front of a light-colored vehicle with numerous bullet holes is visible. The overall scene suggests a post-apocalyptic or conflict environment.

Satanic Activity
Risen to All-Time High
Between God Being Snubbed
And the New Feel Good Agenda
He Has Stepped Up
And Gained Momentum



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**Satan Opposes Everything God Is...
...and Everything God Does**

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**Thru Pride and Misinformation
Tried to Destroy Mission - Last Adam**



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Strategy



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Satan Desires to...

**Affect Your Thinking, Life, Relationships
In Order to...**

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& on this Rock I will build My
Church, and the gates of hell
shall not prevail against it.**



MATTHEW 16:18

I tell you this you are Peter
Seven Things The Devil Cannot Do
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Seven Things The Devil Cannot Do

The Devil Cannot:

- **Stop the Building of God's Church**

Matthew 16:18 (AMP)

¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter [Greek, *Petros*—a large piece of rock], and on this rock [Greek, *petra*—a huge rock like Gibraltar] I will build My church, and the gates of Hades (the powers of the infernal region) shall not overpower it [or be strong to its detriment or hold out against it].



Jesus' Strategy

Matthew 16:13-20

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▪ **Jesus**

☐ **Profession**

▪ **He is the Christ**

☐ **Personal**



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Jesus is the...

- ☐ **Architect -Rev 13:8**
- ☐ **Carpenter -Matt 16:18**
- ☐ **Cornerstone -Psa 118:22**
- ☐ **Foundation -I Cor 3:11**

**Built with 3 Rusty Nails
Old Rugged Cross**

The Church Jesus Built

Matthew 16:13-18

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- ☐ **Gates Stationary**
- ☐ **Jesus Wants us on the Offensive**



The Christ
The Son
Of The
Living God

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**Acknowledge His...
Being...Attributes...Acts**

**Jesus said, “Glorify your son that I may glorify you!” -
John 17:1**

- ☐ **When Jesus is Glorified...
...Something Happens**

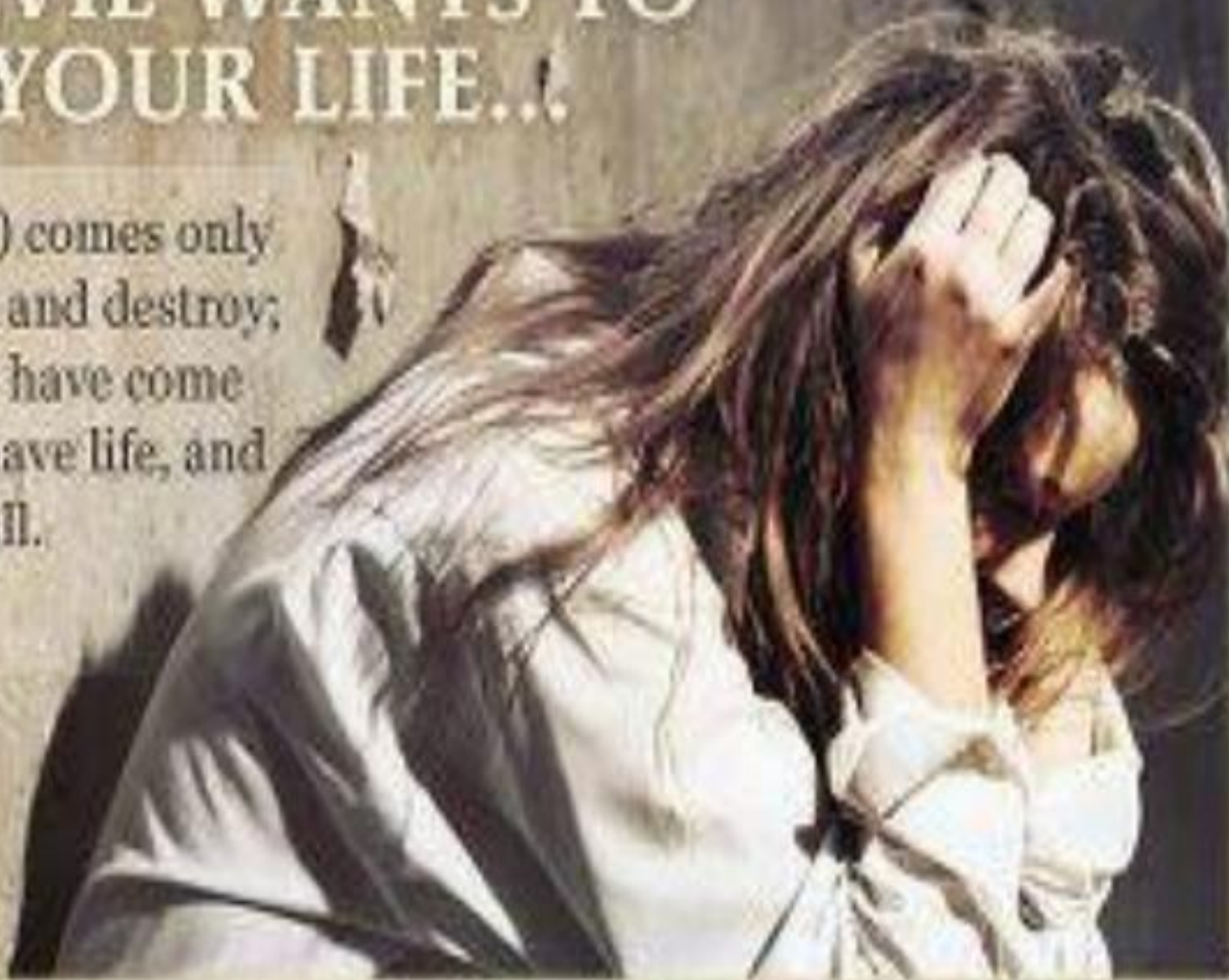
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**THE DEVIL WANTS TO
destroy YOUR LIFE...**

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to steal and kill and destroy;
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that they may have life, and
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**Didn't Say He Wouldn't Try –But
...Not Prevail**

**More Spiritual Mature – More Intense
Battle**

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....He Wont Accept It!**

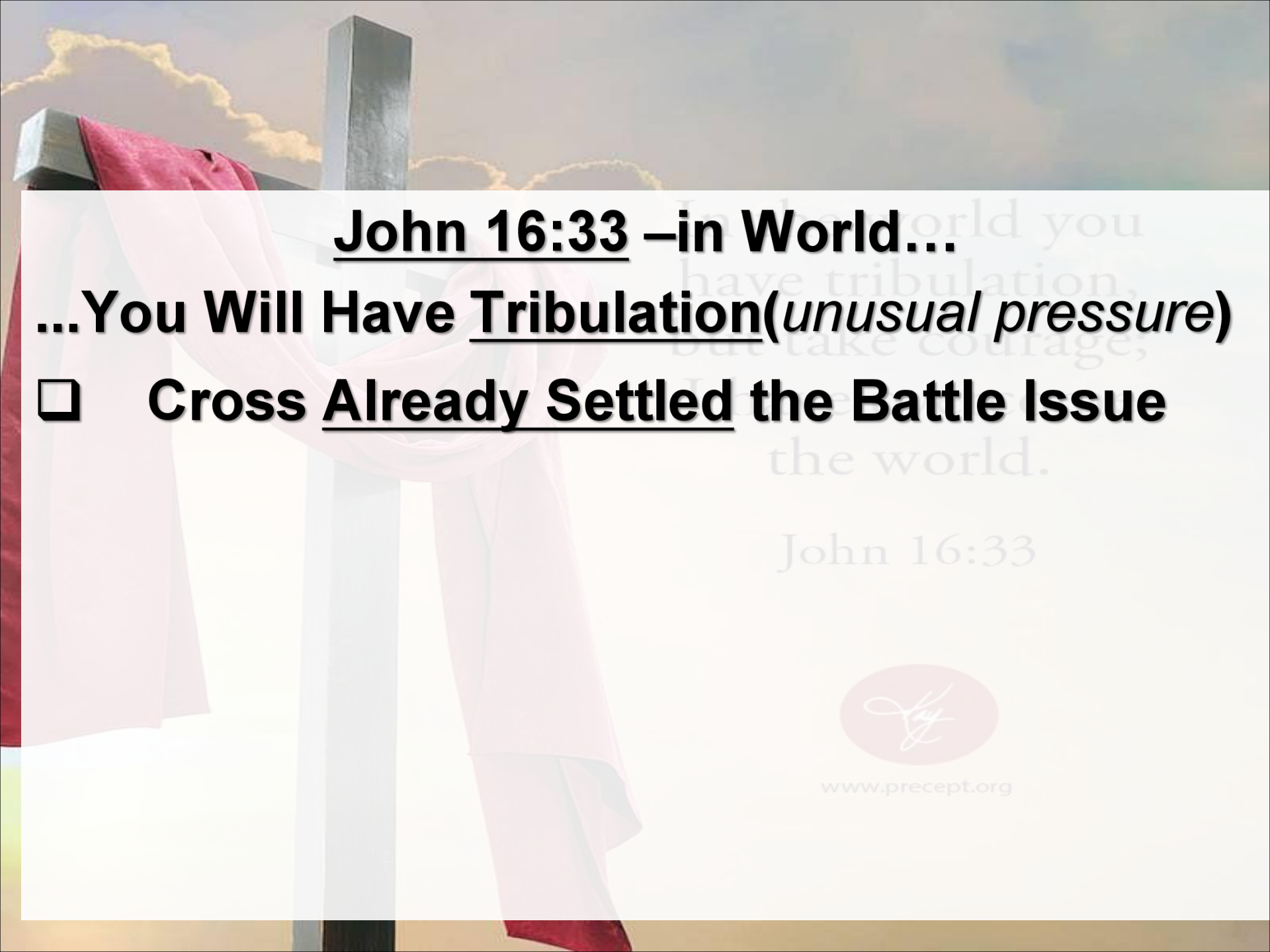
A wooden cross stands against a sky with soft, white clouds. A vibrant red cloth is draped over the horizontal beam of the cross, with its ends hanging down. The lighting is warm, suggesting a sunrise or sunset.

In the world you
have tribulation,
but take courage;
I have overcome
the world.

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John 16:33 –in World...

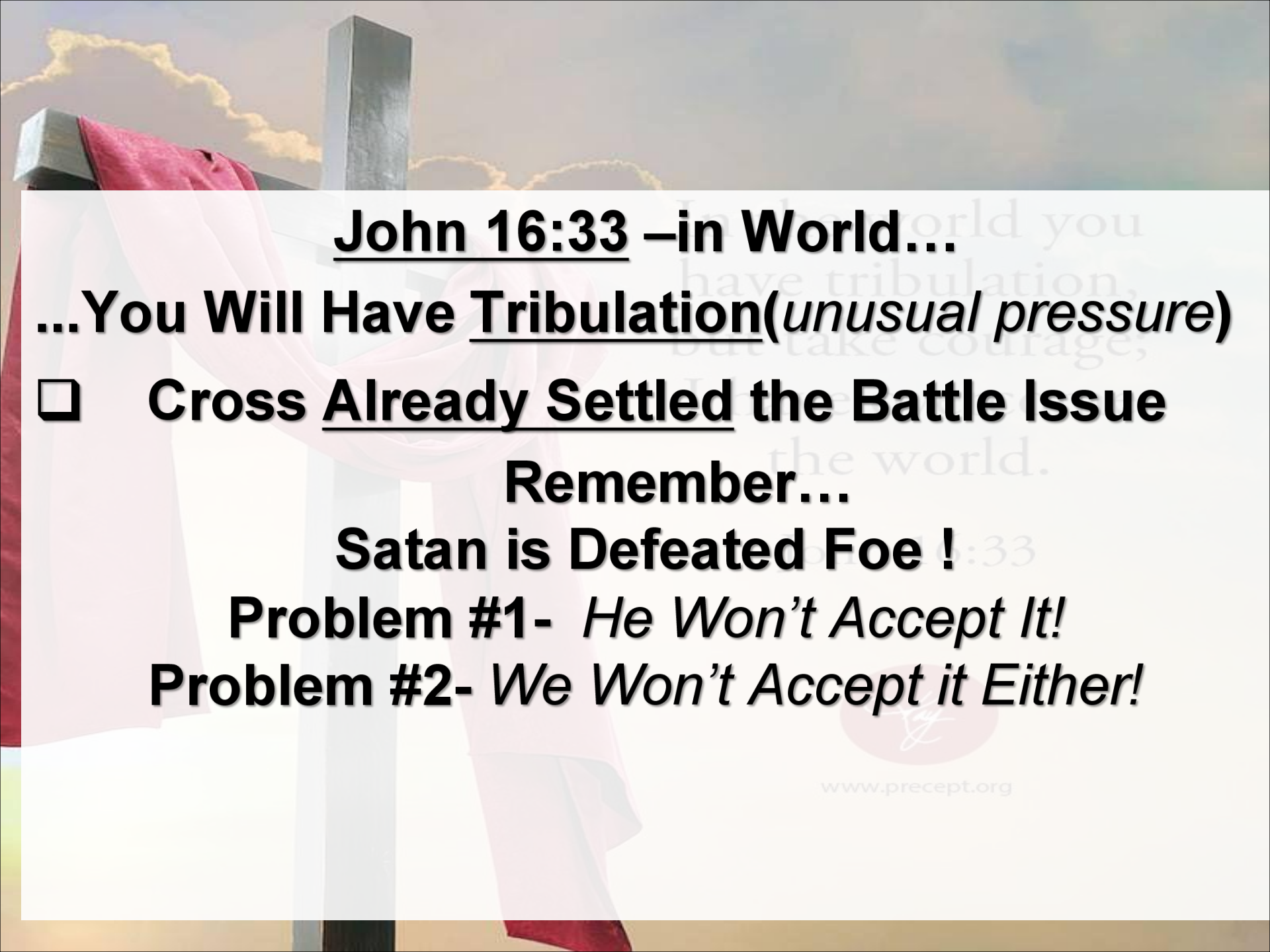
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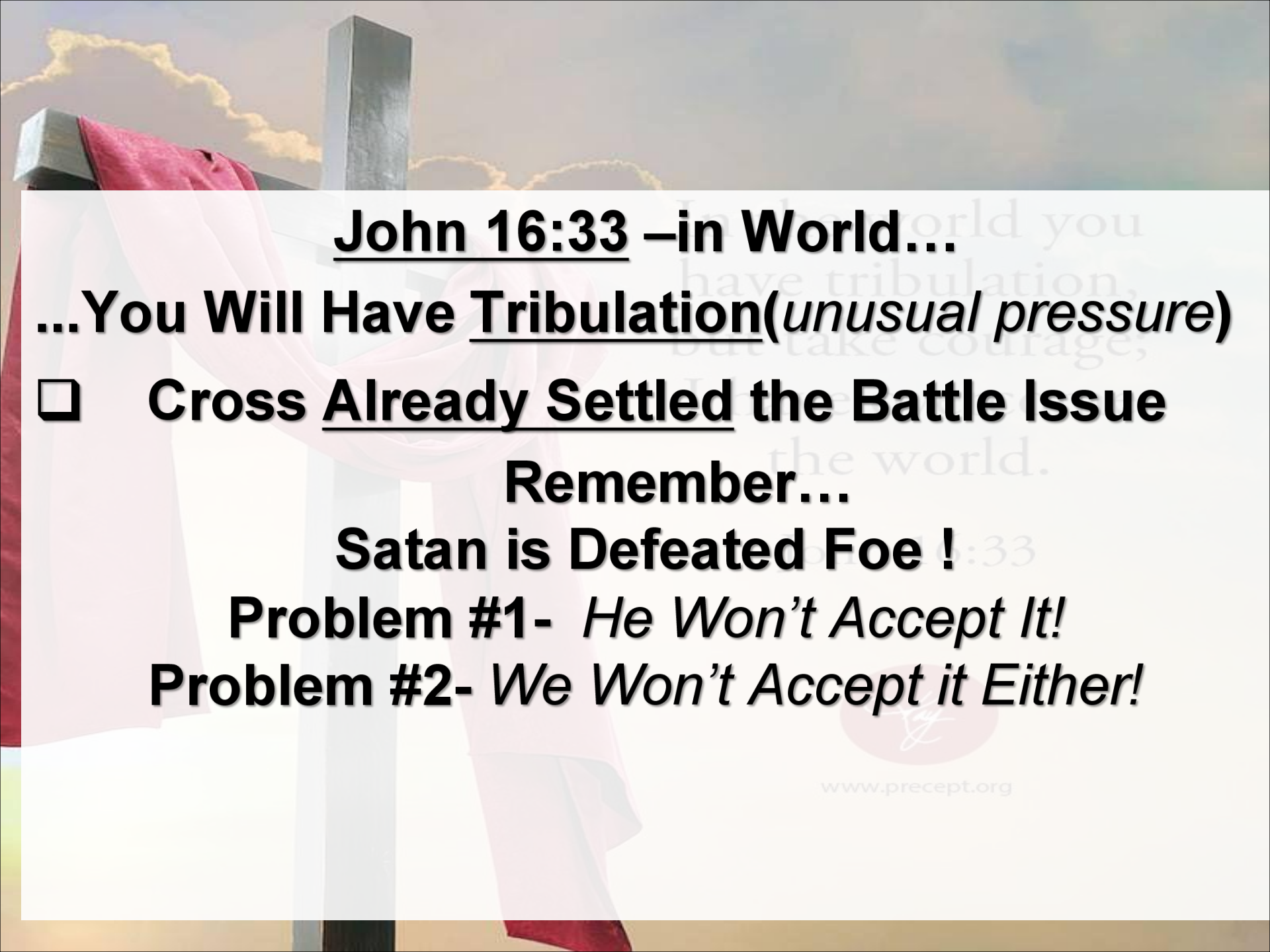
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