

A photograph of the Great Pyramids of Giza in Egypt at sunset. The pyramids are constructed from large, weathered stone blocks and are silhouetted against a sky filled with orange and yellow clouds. The sun is low on the horizon to the right, casting a warm glow over the scene. The foreground shows the sandy desert floor and the base of the pyramids. The image is framed by decorative, wavy, light-colored borders on the left and right sides.

God's Relentless Pursuit and Blessing

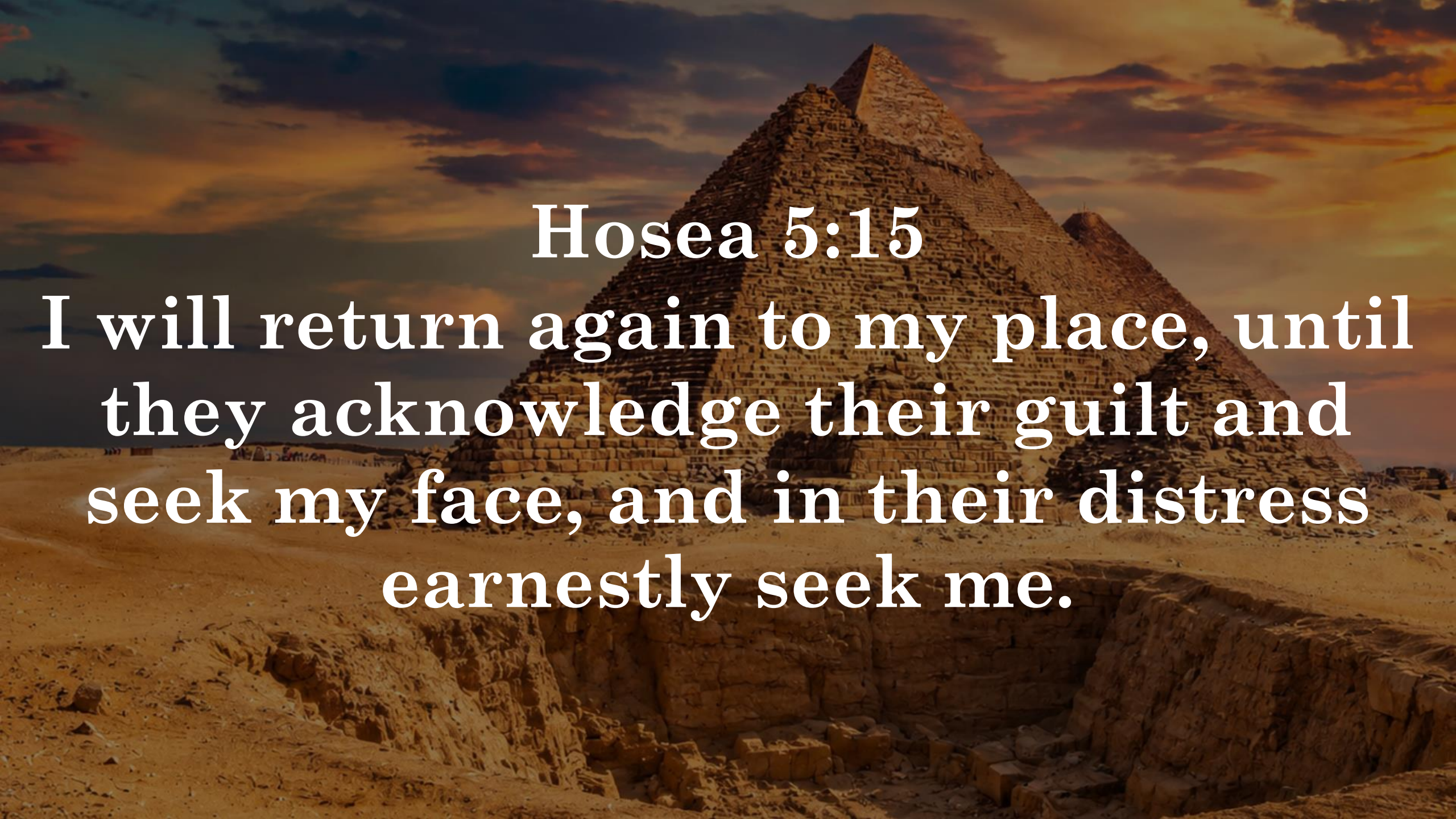
Genesis 43

**God pursues Jacob's obedience to
bless him, so that we would live with
extravagant joy.**



1. The Lord's Relentless Pursuit of Your Devotional Obedience



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Hosea 5:15

I will return again to my place, until
they acknowledge their guilt and
seek my face, and in their distress
earnestly seek me.



**When God begins to pry our hands
from things we love more than him,
we become very irrational.**



**Trustworthy believers don't just offer
their services;
they offer themselves.**



**1. The Lord's Relentless
Pursuit of Your
Devotional Obedience**

**2. God Meets Devotional
Obedience with
Extravagant Blessing**





Obey all the way without delay.

**We must take the gospel to those we
have relationship with.**



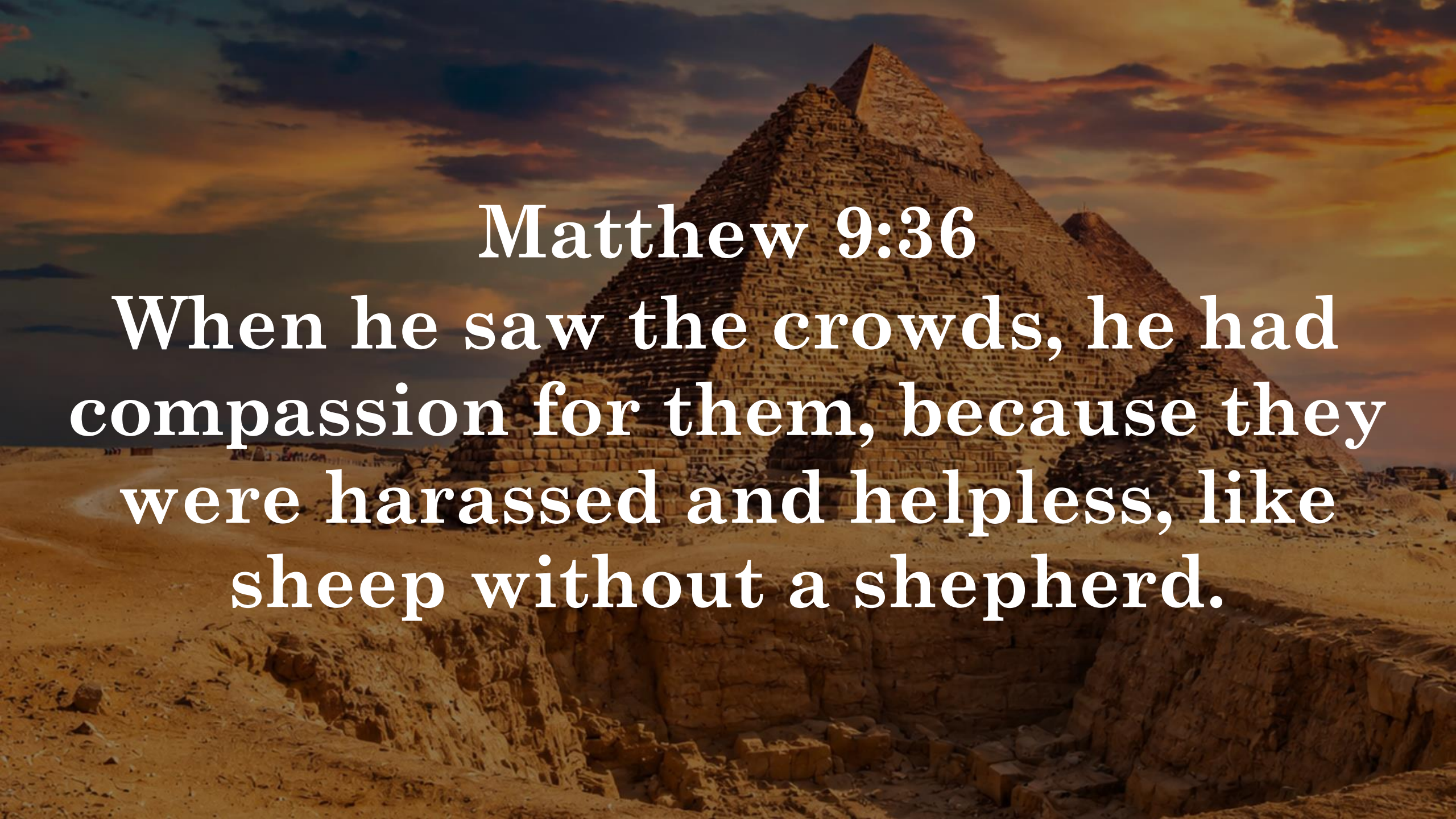


**Extravagant blessing has its
fulfillment in redemption and
pleasure in God's presence.**



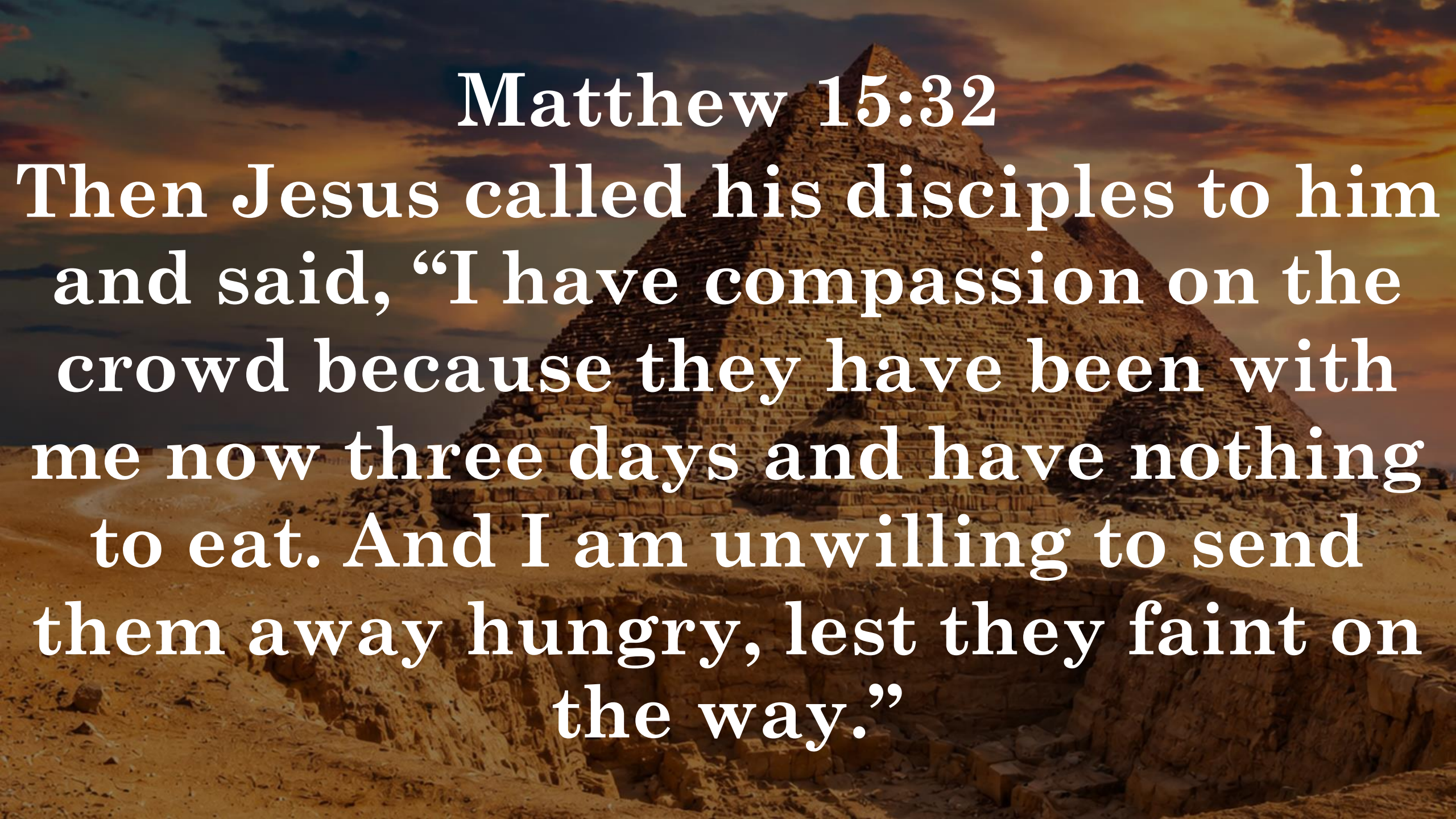
**3. Devotional Obedience
+
Extravagant Blessing
=
Joy**



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Matthew 9:36

When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

A large pyramid, likely the Great Pyramid of Giza, stands in a desert landscape under a dramatic, sunset-colored sky. The pyramid is constructed from visible stone blocks. The foreground shows the base of the pyramid and some scattered stones.

Matthew 15:32

Then Jesus called his disciples to him and said, “I have compassion on the crowd because they have been with me now three days and have nothing to eat. And I am unwilling to send them away hungry, lest they faint on the way.”

Compassion defined: Seeing the distress of others and acting to alleviate that distress out of love for God and others.



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**B. Both have
compassionate hearts**





Walking Points:

- 1. Serve someone this week with your compassionate heart.**



Walking Points:

**2. Reflect on where
God is pursuing you to
be devotionally
obedient.**



Walking Points:

**3. Where has God
placed you to share
the gospel?**