

The Greatest Enterprise of All Time

All On The Altar Sunday
Romans 9:2-3 & 10:1-15
Anthony Grove Baptist Church
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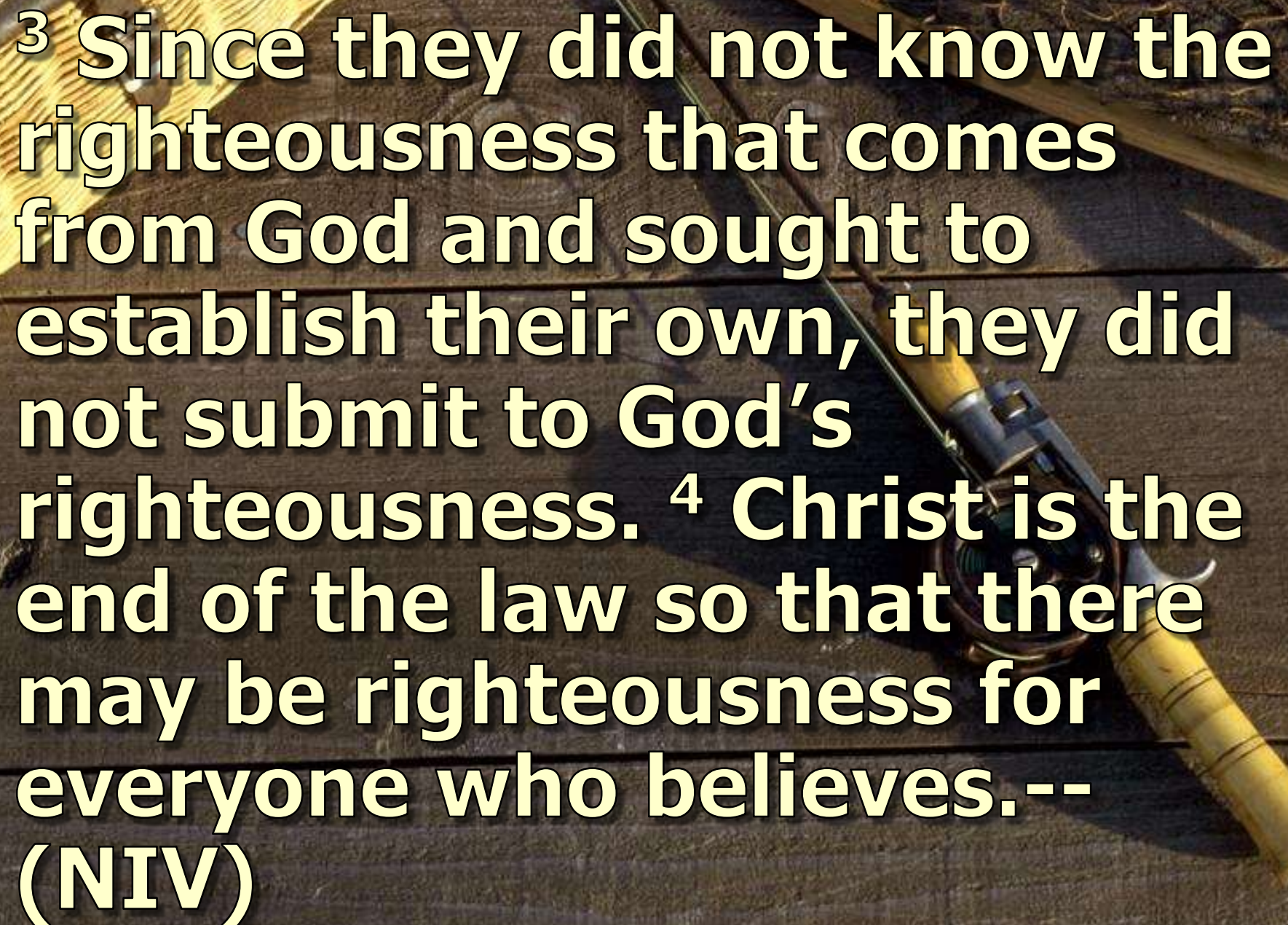
Romans 9:2–3

**² My heart is filled with bitter sorrow and unending grief ³ for my people, my Jewish brothers and sisters. I would be willing to be forever cursed—cut off from Christ!—if that would save them.-
- (NLT)**

The background of the image is a close-up photograph of a wooden surface, possibly a table or a boat's deck. In the upper left corner, there is a yellow fishing lure with a metal hook. A fishing rod with a yellow handle and a blue reel is positioned diagonally across the right side of the image. The text is overlaid on this background.

Romans 10:1-4

¹ Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved. ² For I can testify about them that they are zealous for God, but their zeal is not based on knowledge.

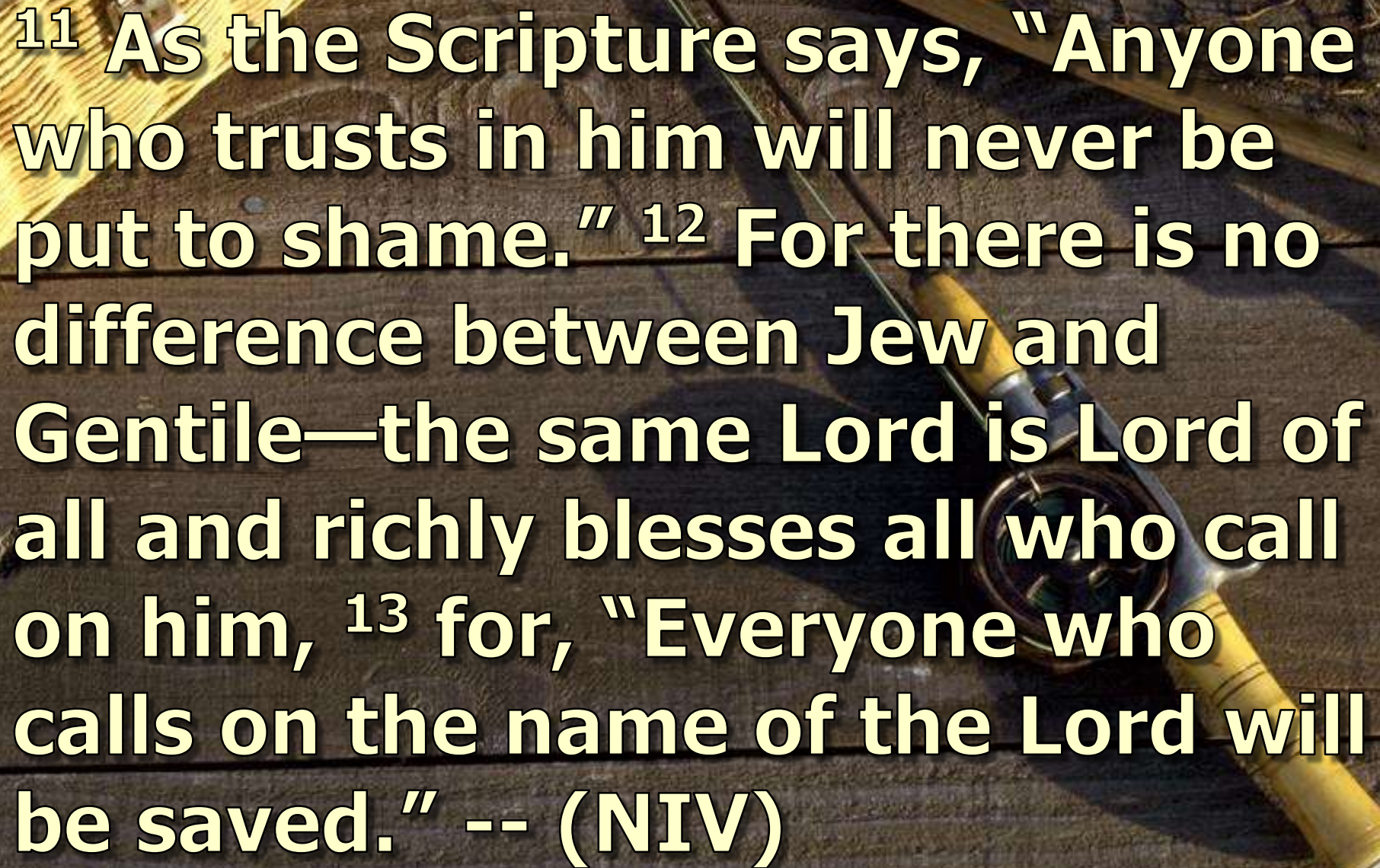


³ Since they did not know the righteousness that comes from God and sought to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. ⁴ Christ is the end of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.--
(NIV)



Romans 10:9–13

⁹ That if you confess with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.

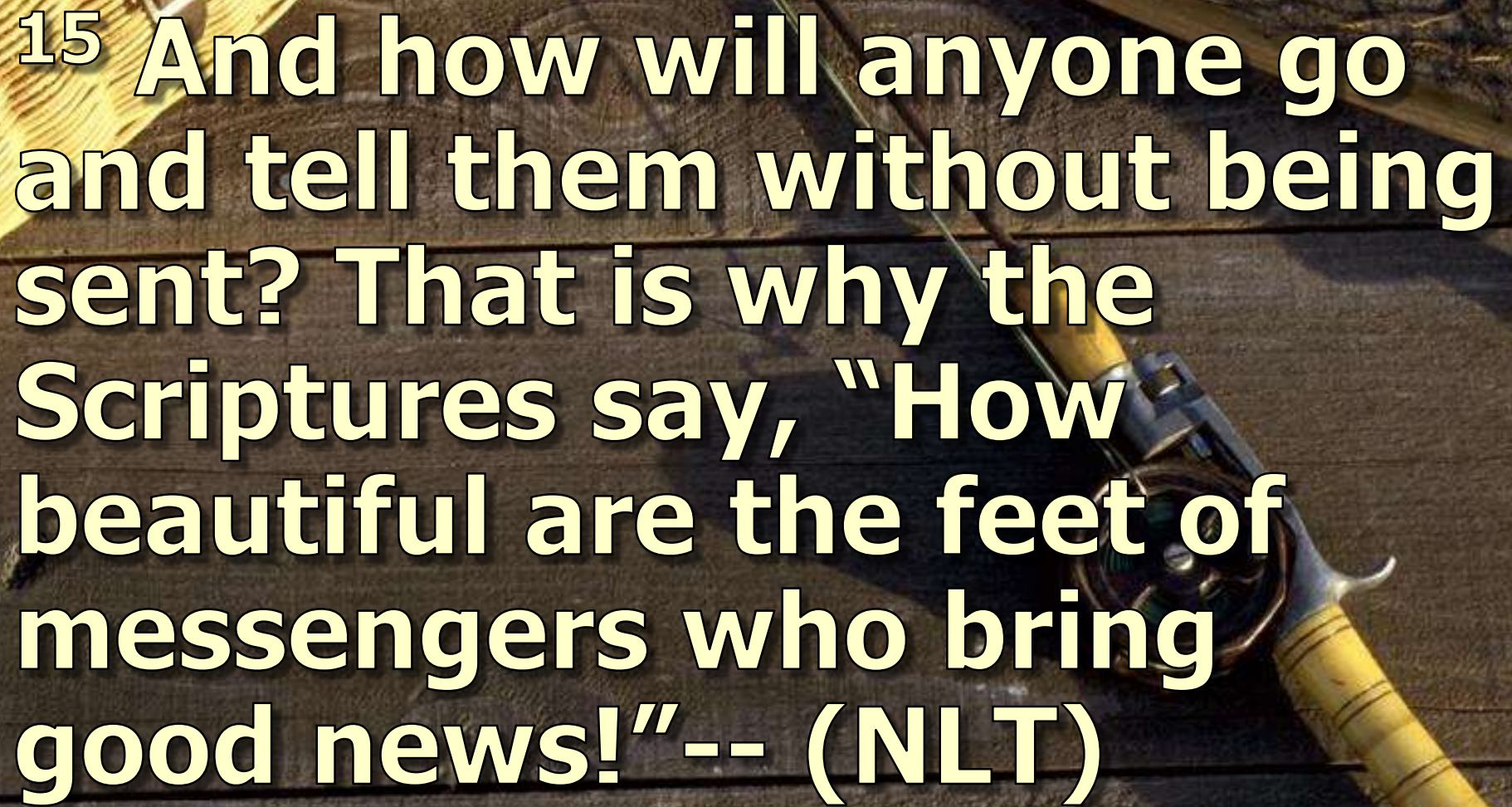
A fishing rod with a yellow handle and a blue reel lies diagonally across a dark wooden surface. In the upper left corner, a portion of an open Bible with yellowed pages is visible. The text is overlaid on the image in a bold, yellow font with a black outline.

11 As the Scripture says, "Anyone who trusts in him will never be put to shame." 12 For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, 13 for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." -- (NIV)



Romans 10:14–15

14 But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?

A close-up photograph of a wooden surface, possibly a workbench or a table. A yellow and blue tool, which appears to be a saw or a knife, is lying diagonally across the frame. The tool has a yellow handle and a blue metal head. The wooden surface is dark and textured. The text is overlaid on the image in a large, bold, yellow font with a black outline.

**15 And how will anyone go
and tell them without being
sent? That is why the
Scriptures say, "How
beautiful are the feet of
messengers who bring
good news!"-- (NLT)**

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Some Grimm Facts:

- 200,000,000 lost people live in USA
- Not a single county in the USA has had a church attendance increase in 10 years
- 4,000 churches closed their doors a year in the USA
- 11,000 SBC churches baptized no one last year
- 95% of American Christians have never shared a verbal witness with a lost person

5 Requirements of the Greatest Enterprise of All Times

1. It Requires Great Passion.

Romans 9:2–3² My heart is filled with bitter sorrow and unending grief ³ for my people, my Jewish brothers and sisters. I would be willing to be forever cursed—cut off from Christ!—if that would save them.-- (NLT)



2 Corinthians 11:24

**Five times I received from the
Jews the forty lashes minus
one.-- (NIV)**

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Romans 10:11

Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved.-- (NIV)



Ezekiel 33:7-8

7 "Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; so hear the word I speak and give them warning from me. 8 When I say to the wicked, 'O wicked man, you will surely die,' and you do not speak out to dissuade him from his ways, that wicked man will die for his sin, and I will hold you accountable for his blood.-- (NIV)

Why Is There No Burden?

Universalism

1. _____.

Postmodernism

2. _____.

Multiculturalism

3. _____.

Selfishness

4. _____.

Fear

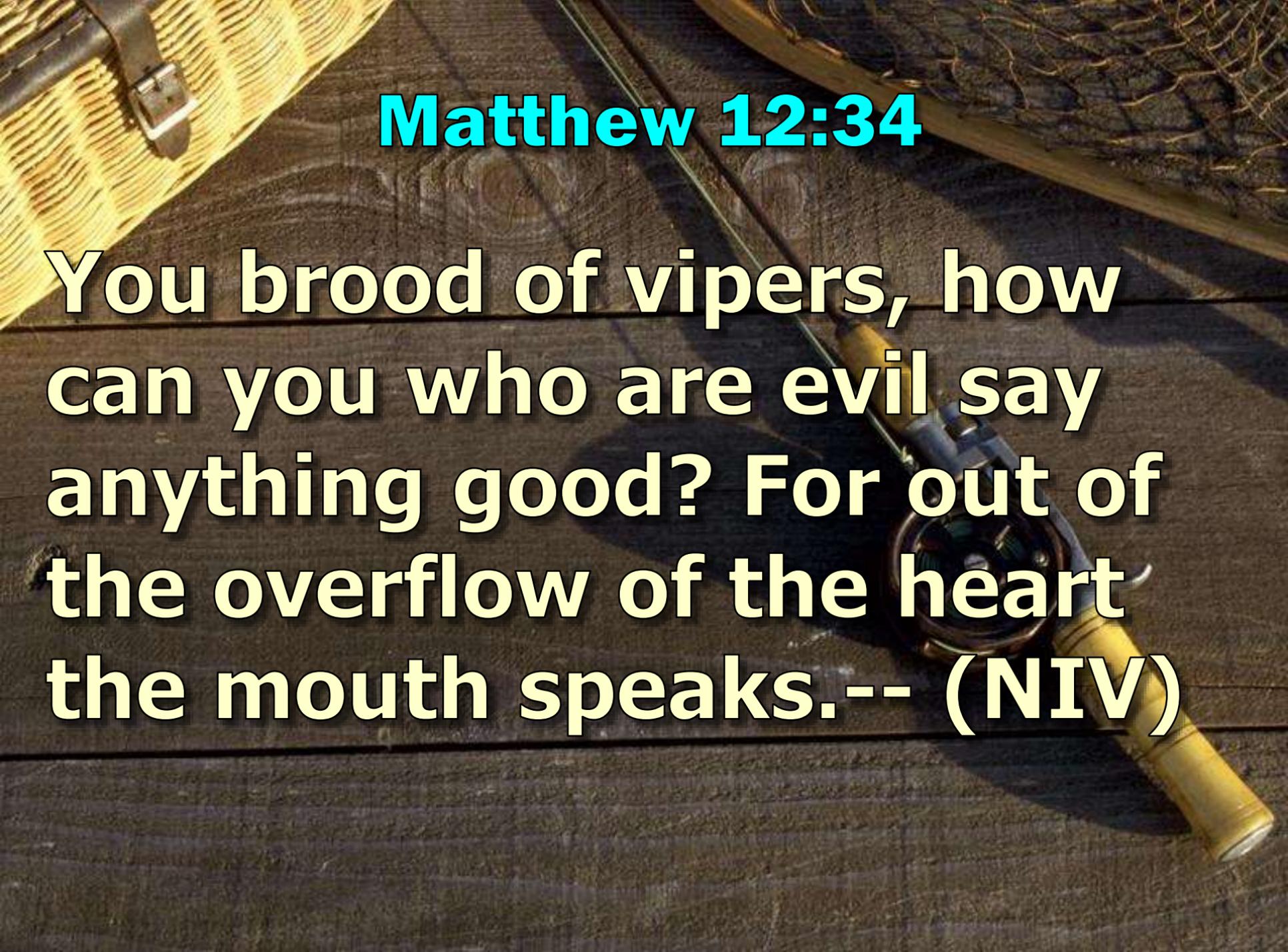
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2. It Requires Great Prayer.

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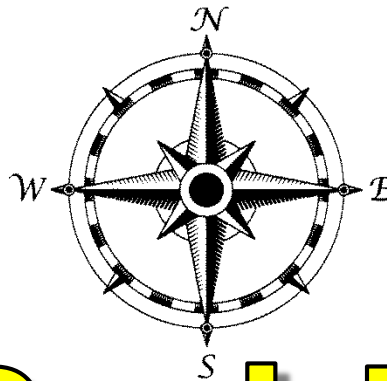
Matthew 12:34

You brood of vipers, how can you who are evil say anything good? For out of the overflow of the heart the mouth speaks.-- (NIV)

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3. It Requires Great Perception

Romans 10:3 Since they did not know the righteousness that comes from God and sought to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness.-- (NIV)



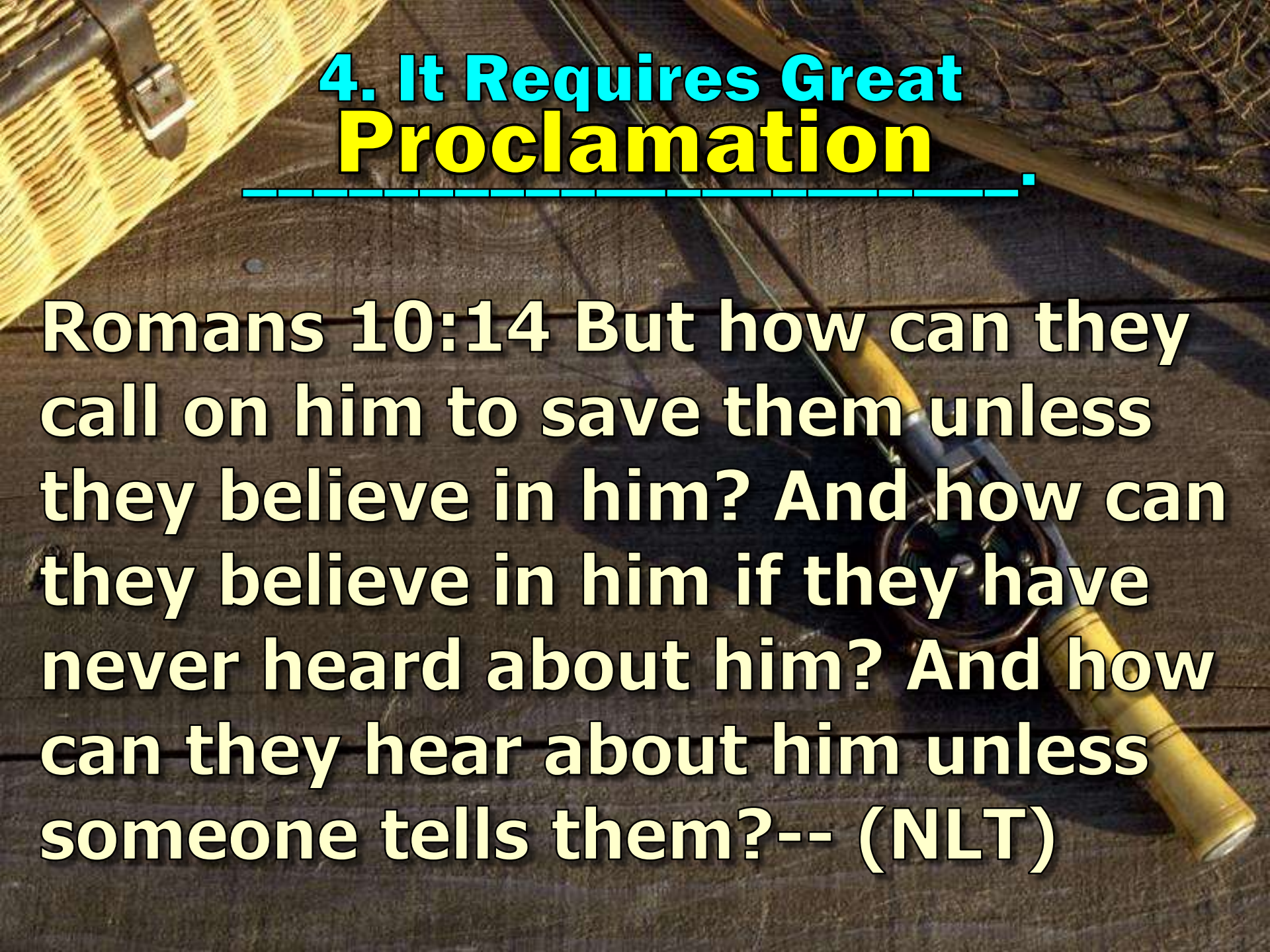
Romans 10:12

**For there is no difference
between Jew and Gentile—
the same Lord is Lord of all
and richly blesses all who
call on him,-- (NIV)**



Romans 10:9

That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.-- (NIV)




4. It Requires Great Proclamation

Romans 10:14 But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?-- (NLT)



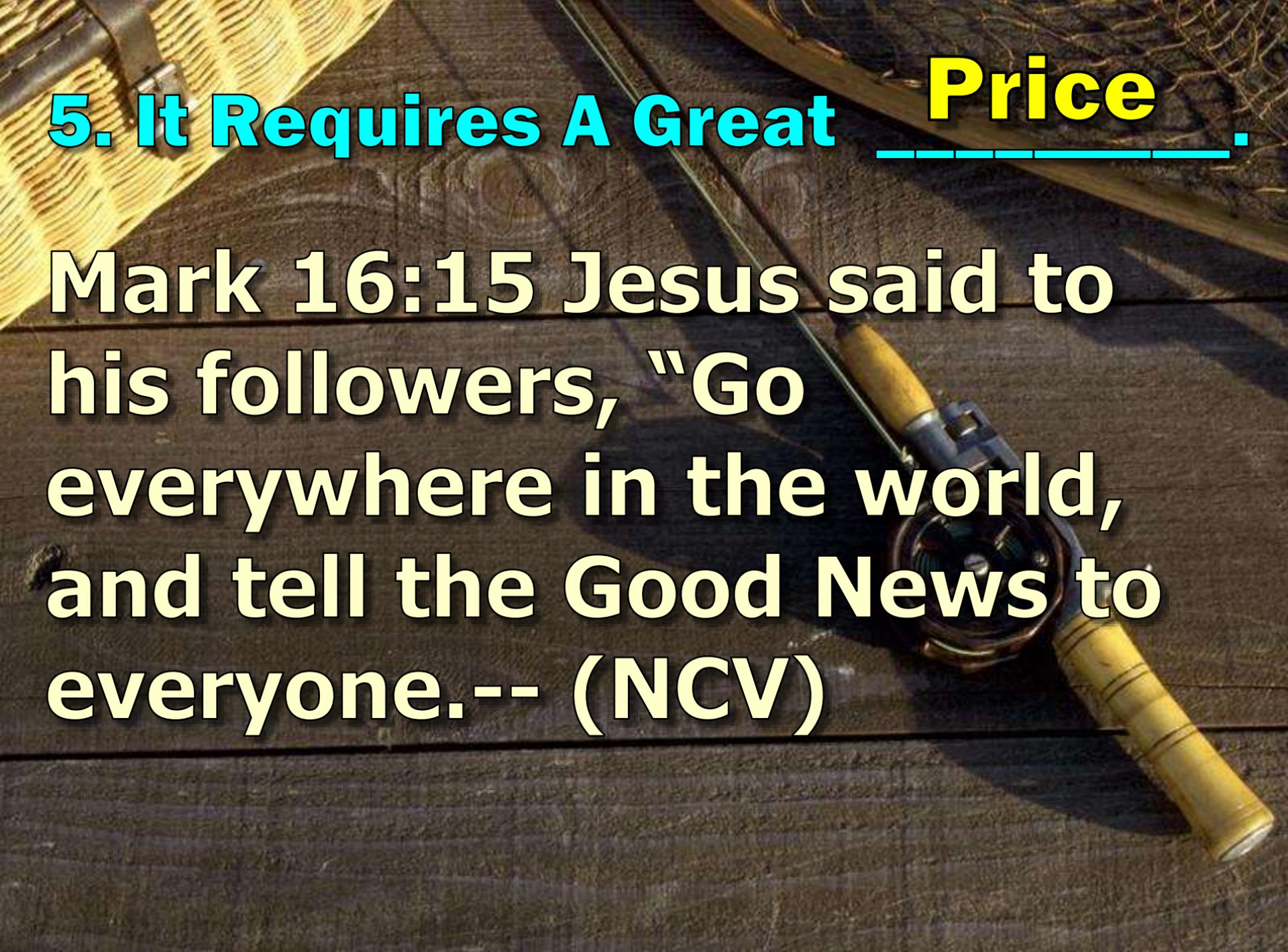
1 Peter 3:15

15 But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,-- (NIV)

A fishing rod with a yellow handle and reel, and a yellow fishing net, resting on a wooden surface.

John 20:21

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."-- (NIV)



5. It Requires A Great Price.

Mark 16:15 Jesus said to his followers, "Go everywhere in the world, and tell the Good News to everyone.-- (NCV)



Romans 9:2–3

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2 Timothy 2:10

¹⁰ So I am willing to endure anything if it will bring salvation and eternal glory in Christ Jesus to those God has chosen.-- (NLT)

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