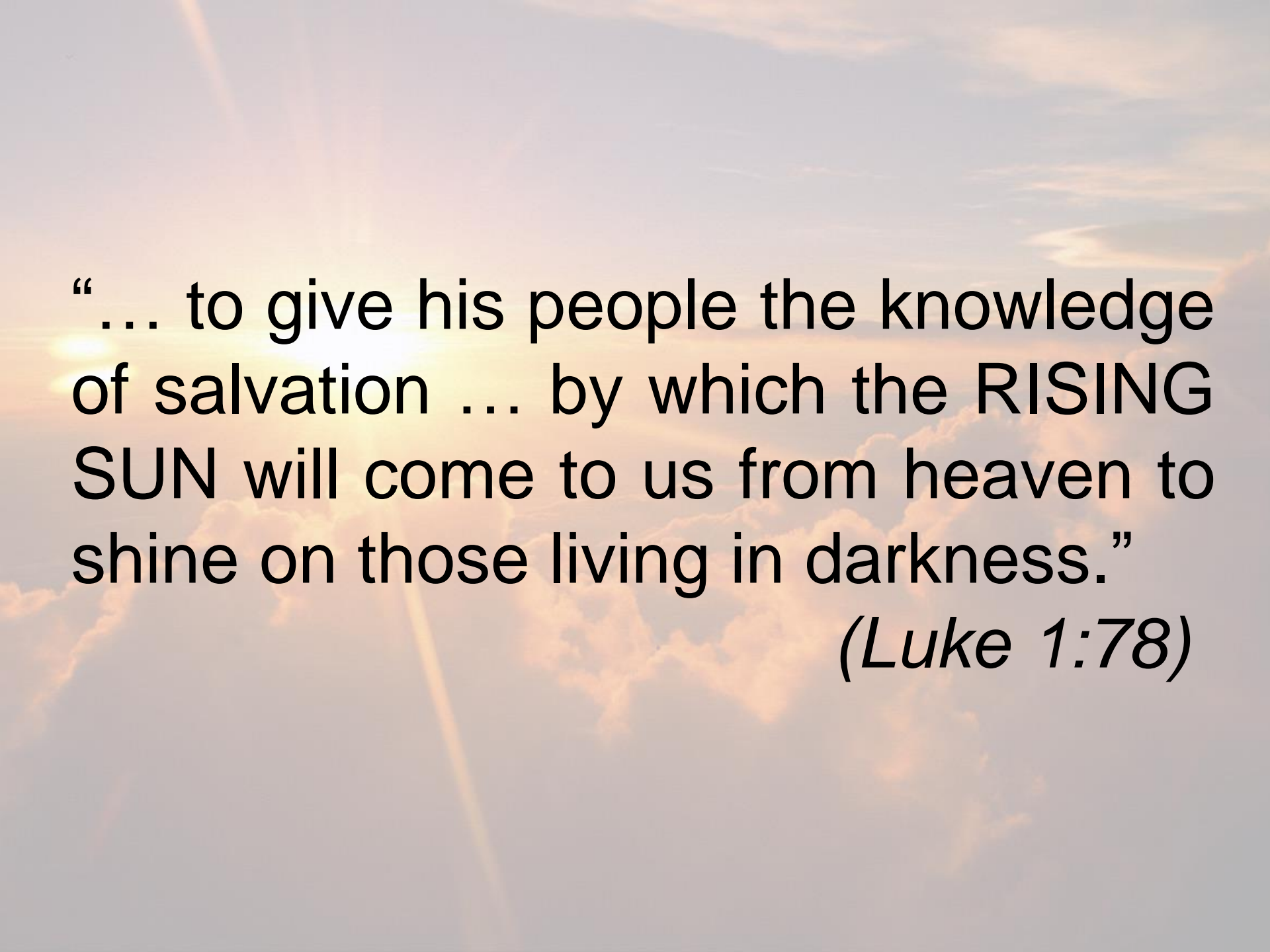


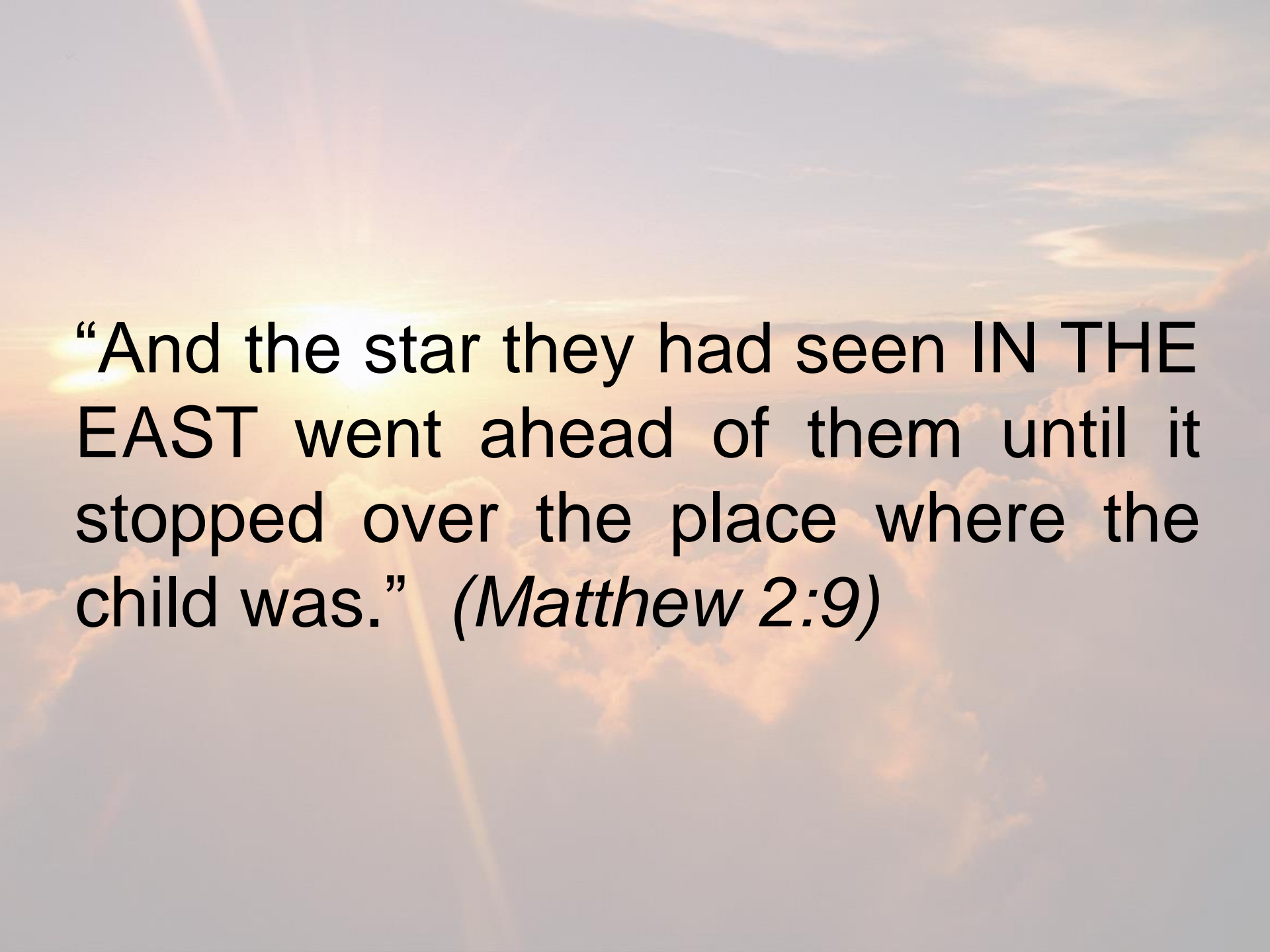
A dramatic sky scene featuring a bright sun rising over a sea of clouds. The sun is positioned on the left side of the frame, creating a strong lens flare effect that radiates across the sky. The clouds are illuminated from below, giving them a golden, glowing appearance. The overall color palette is dominated by warm tones of orange, yellow, and blue.

THE RISING SUN



“... to give his people the knowledge of salvation ... by which the RISING SUN will come to us from heaven to shine on those living in darkness.”

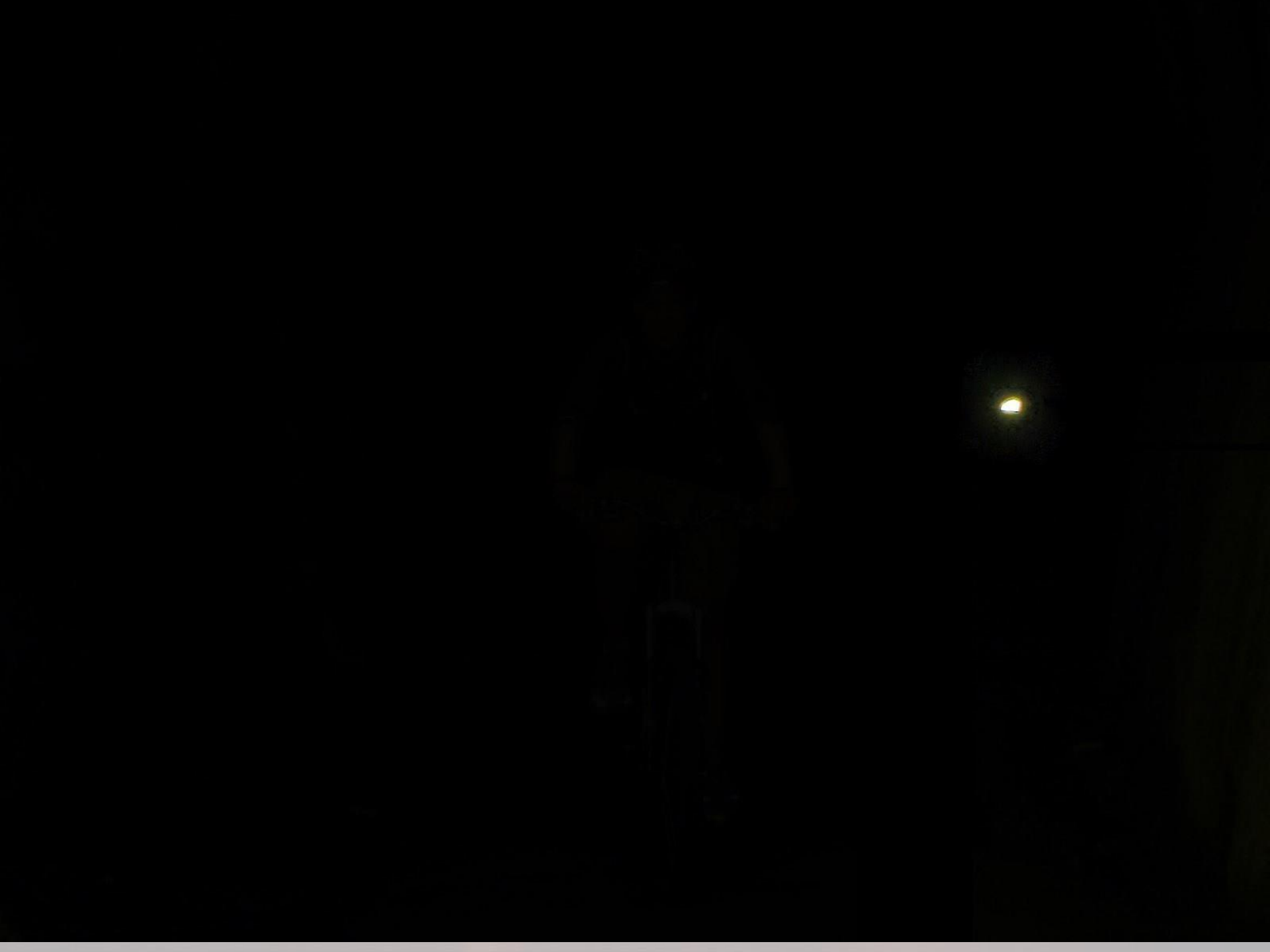
(Luke 1:78)

A background image of a sunset sky. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright glow and casting long, soft rays of light across the sky. The clouds are illuminated from below, giving them a warm, golden-orange hue. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and serene.

“And the star they had seen IN THE EAST went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was.” *(Matthew 2:9)*

Prophecies = **rising** sun or **shining** star

As it is impossible to describe and appreciate the **glory** of the light which **fills** and **gladdens** our world, it is impossible to **overstate** the effect of Christ on the human condition

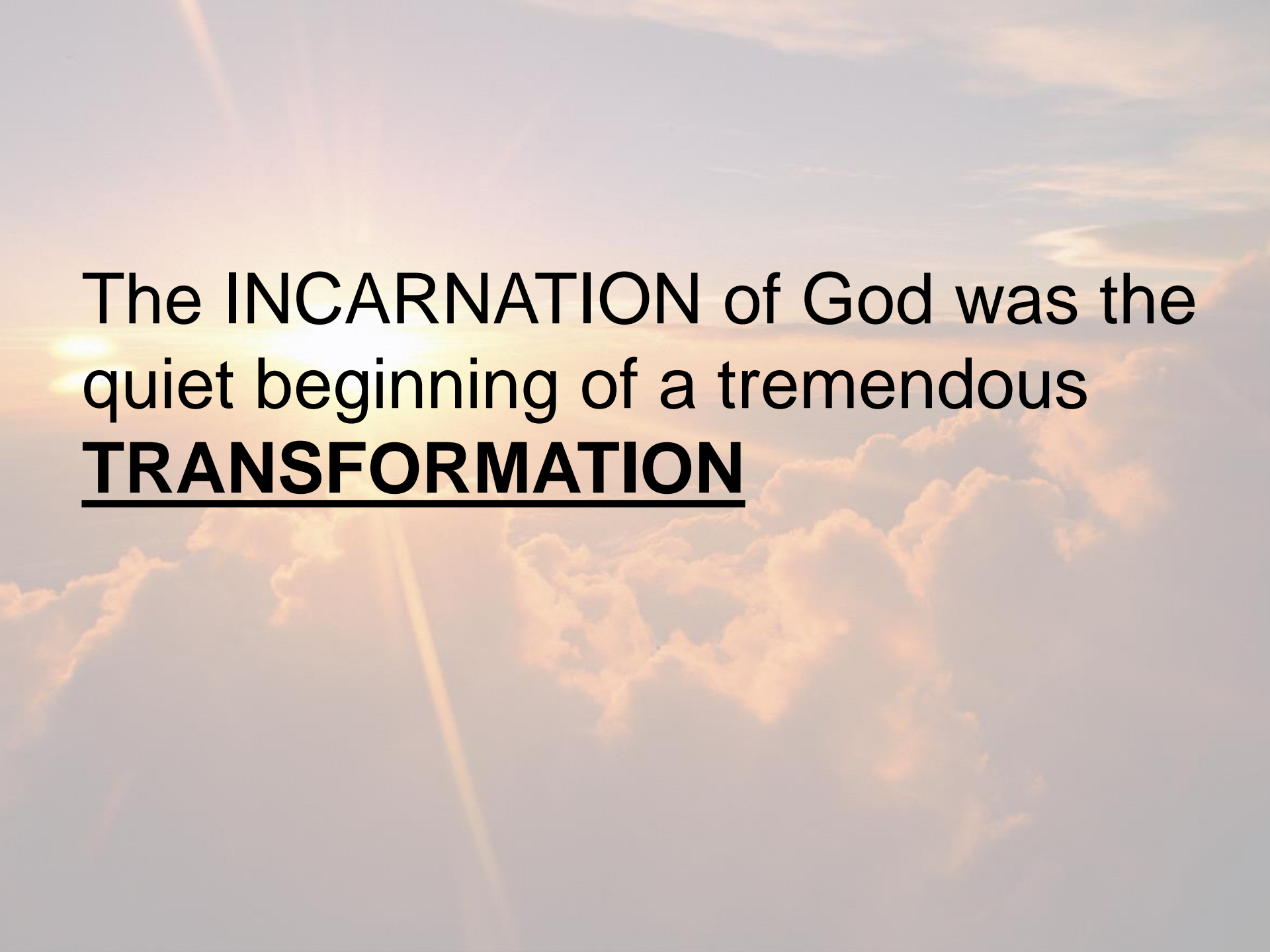








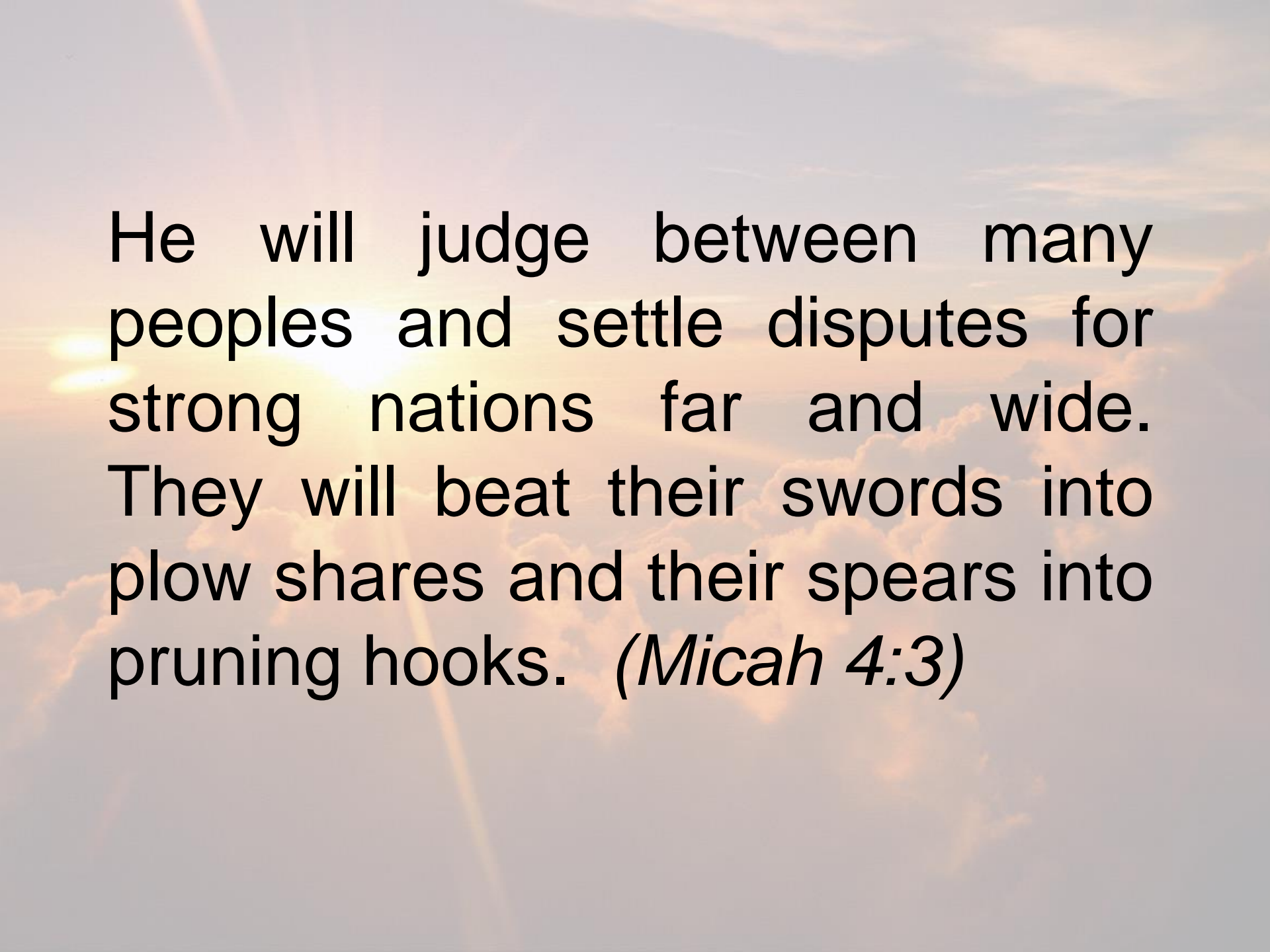




The INCARNATION of God was the
quiet beginning of a tremendous
TRANSFORMATION

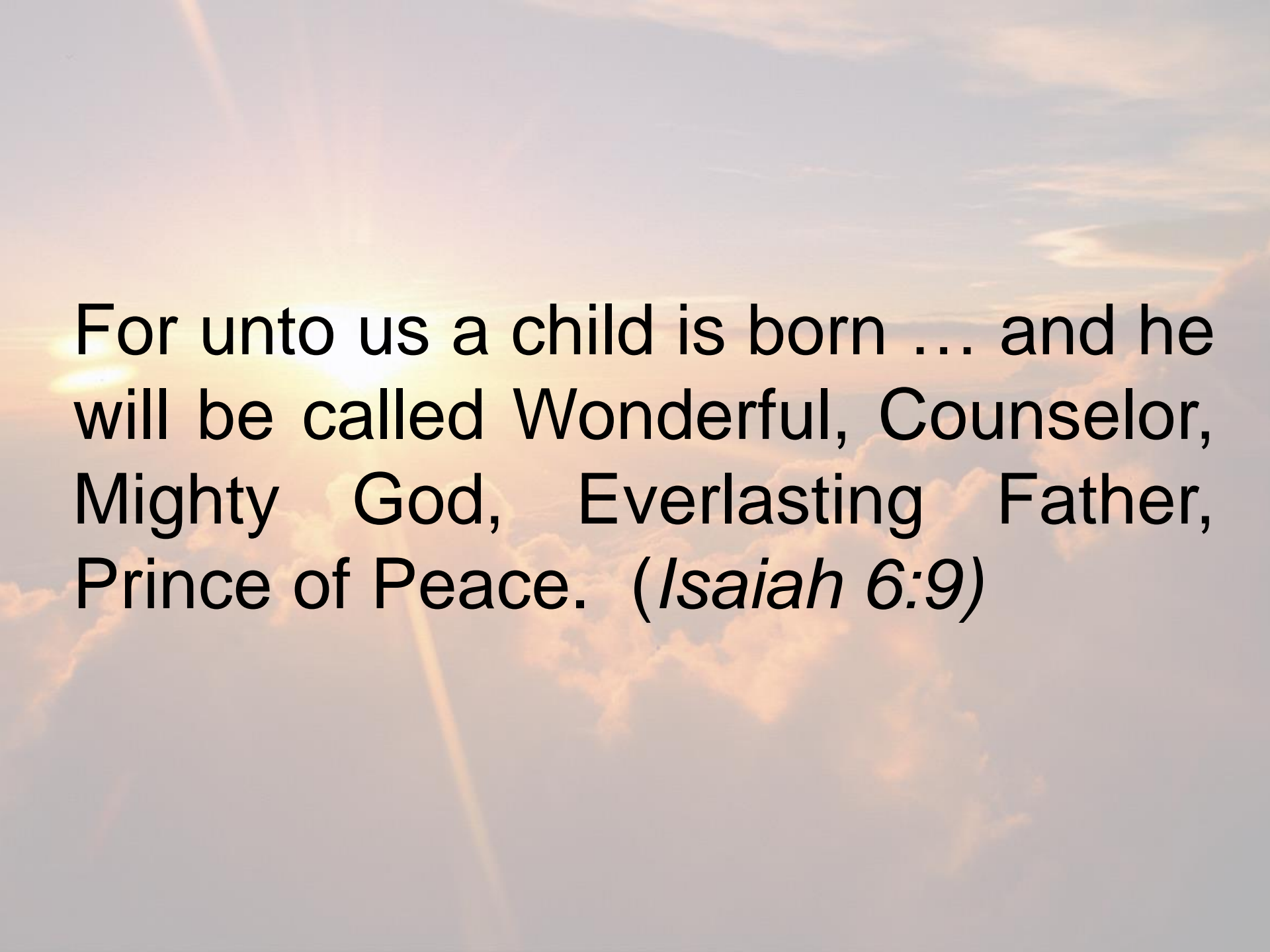
Luke 1:79

- taking away from our darkness and adding to our light
- taking away from our death and adding to our life
- taking away from our strife and adding to our peace



He will judge between many peoples and settle disputes for strong nations far and wide. They will beat their swords into plow shares and their spears into pruning hooks. (*Micah 4:3*)

The wolf will live with the lamb
and the leopard will lie down with
the goat, and the calf and the lion
and the yearling together; and a
little child will lead them ... they
will not harm or destroy on all my
holy mountain. (*Isaiah 11:6, 9*)



For unto us a child is born ... and he
will be called Wonderful, Counselor,
Mighty God, Everlasting Father,
Prince of Peace. (*Isaiah 6:9*)



We **expect** the sun to rise.

Even so, it does not have to happen; therefore, it is an incredible **gift** of **mercy**.

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