


Characteristics & Communion

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**1 John 4:20-
21 (NIV)**

[20] If anyone says, "I love [Agapao] God," yet hates [G3404] his brother, he is a liar. For anyone who does not love [Agapao] his brother, whom he has seen, cannot love [Agapao] God, whom he has not seen. [21] And he has given us this command: Whoever loves [Agapao] God must also love [Agapao] his brother.



The scripture.. ... “hate”

(Miseo - G3404) - Strong's Concordance

(This is the main word used in the NT to describe “Hate”)

“To Detest (esp. to persecute);
to Love Less”

(Strong's Concordance)

> THERE IS A RANGE.....

"To hate,
pursue with
hatred, detest;
“To be hated,
detested”

Not a few interpreters have attributed.... the signification to love less, to postpone in love or esteem, to slight, through oversight of the circumstance that 'the Orientals, in accordance with their greater excitability, are want both to feel and to profess love and hate where we Occidentals, with our cooler temperament, feel and express nothing more than interest in, or disregard and indifference to a thing'.

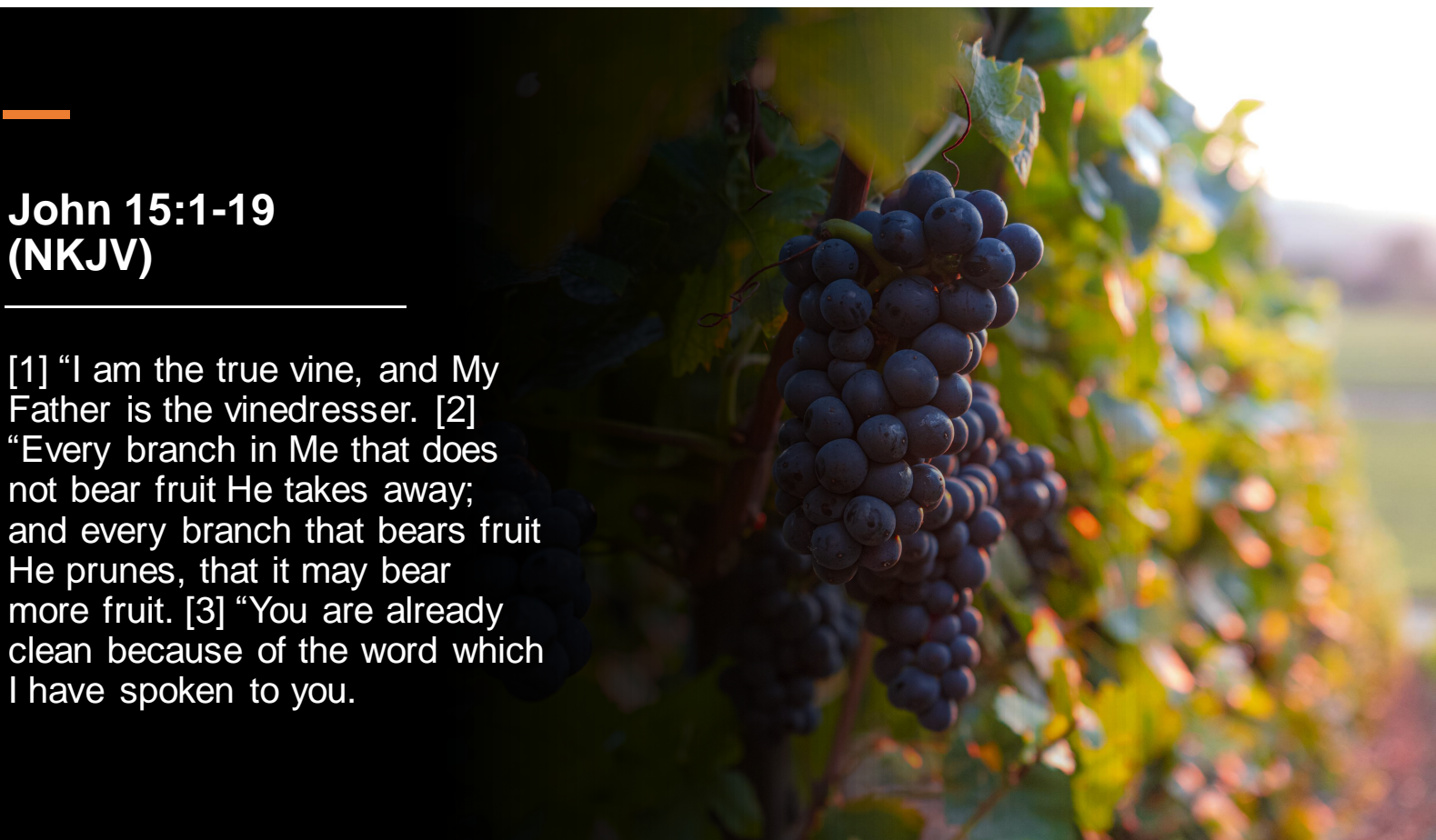
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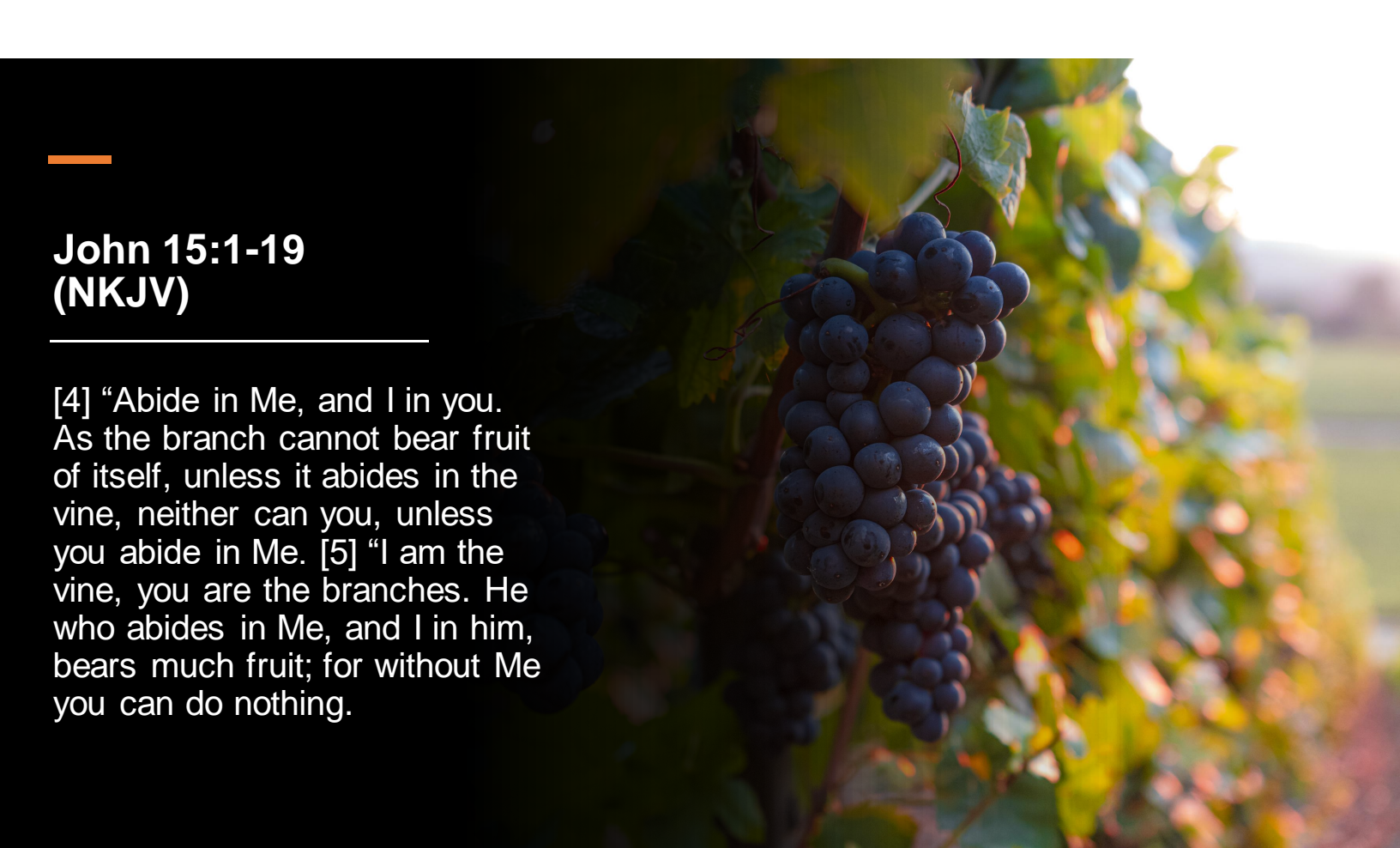
- > **Occidental: European descent.**
- > **just showing dis-interest, or disregarding and being indifferent is 'hate'.**

(Thayer's Greek English Lexicon)

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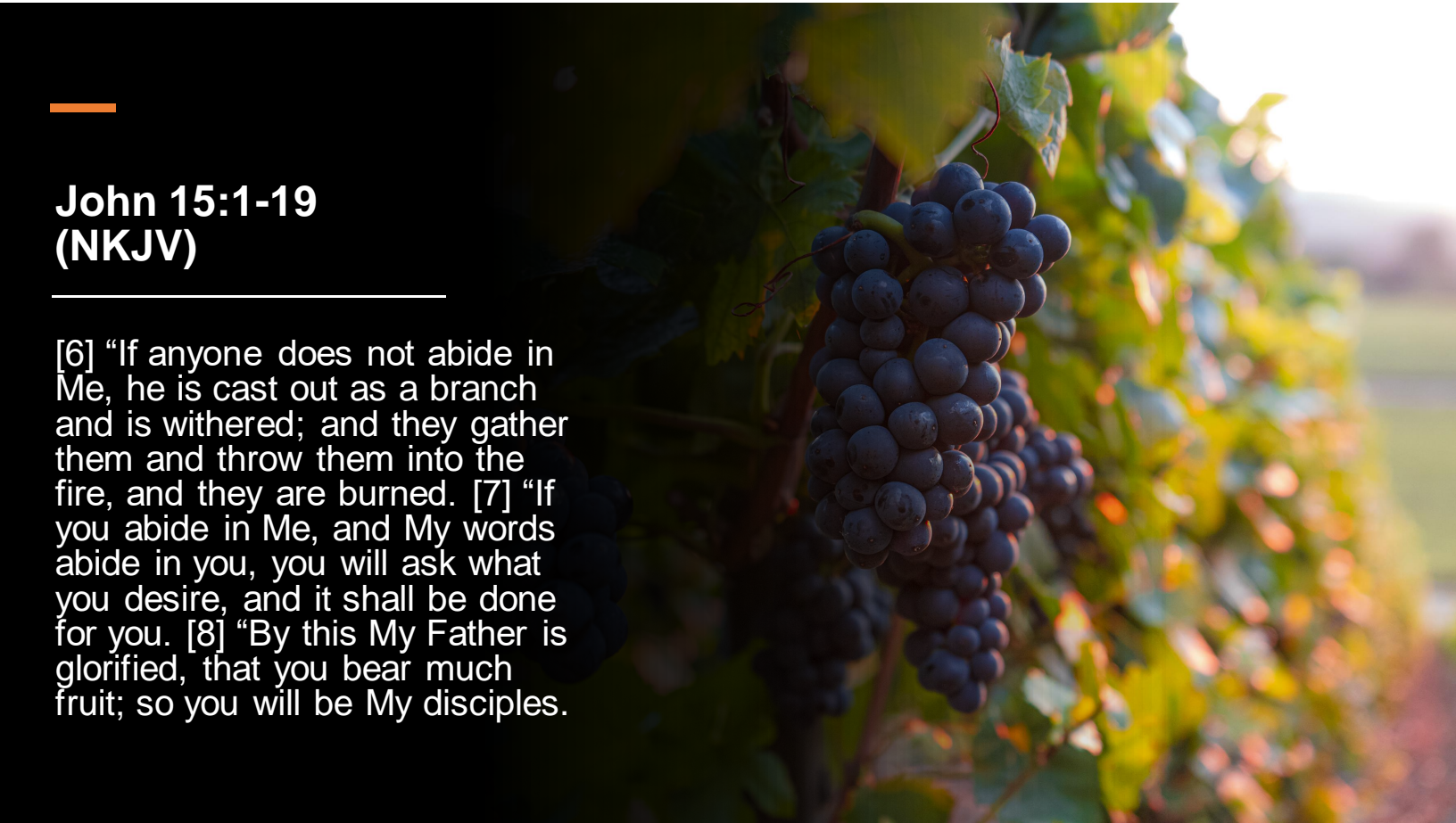
[1] "I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. [2] "Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit. [3] "You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you.






John 15:1-19 (NKJV)

[4] “Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. [5] “I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.



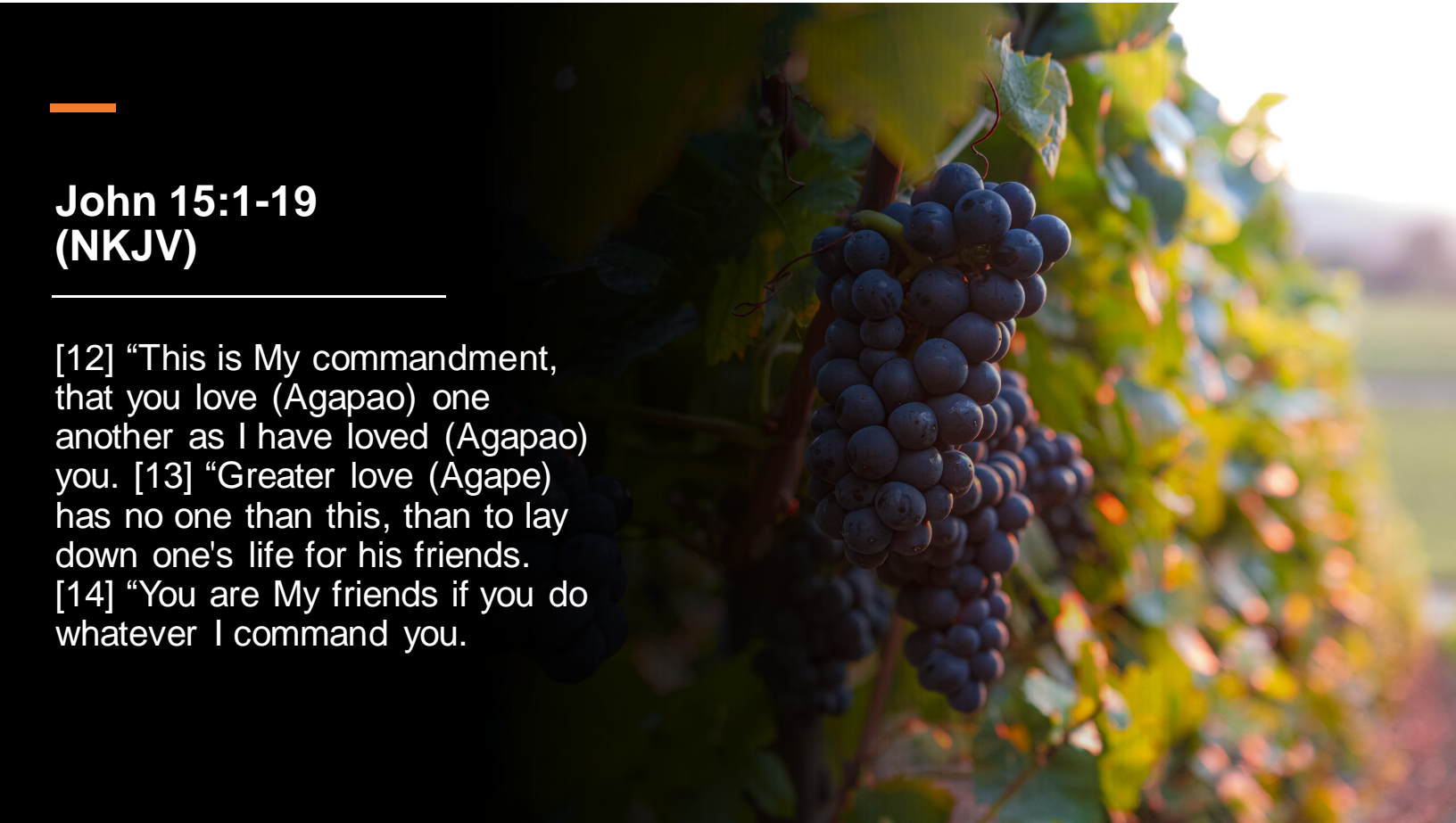
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[6] “If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned. [7] “If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. [8] “By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.



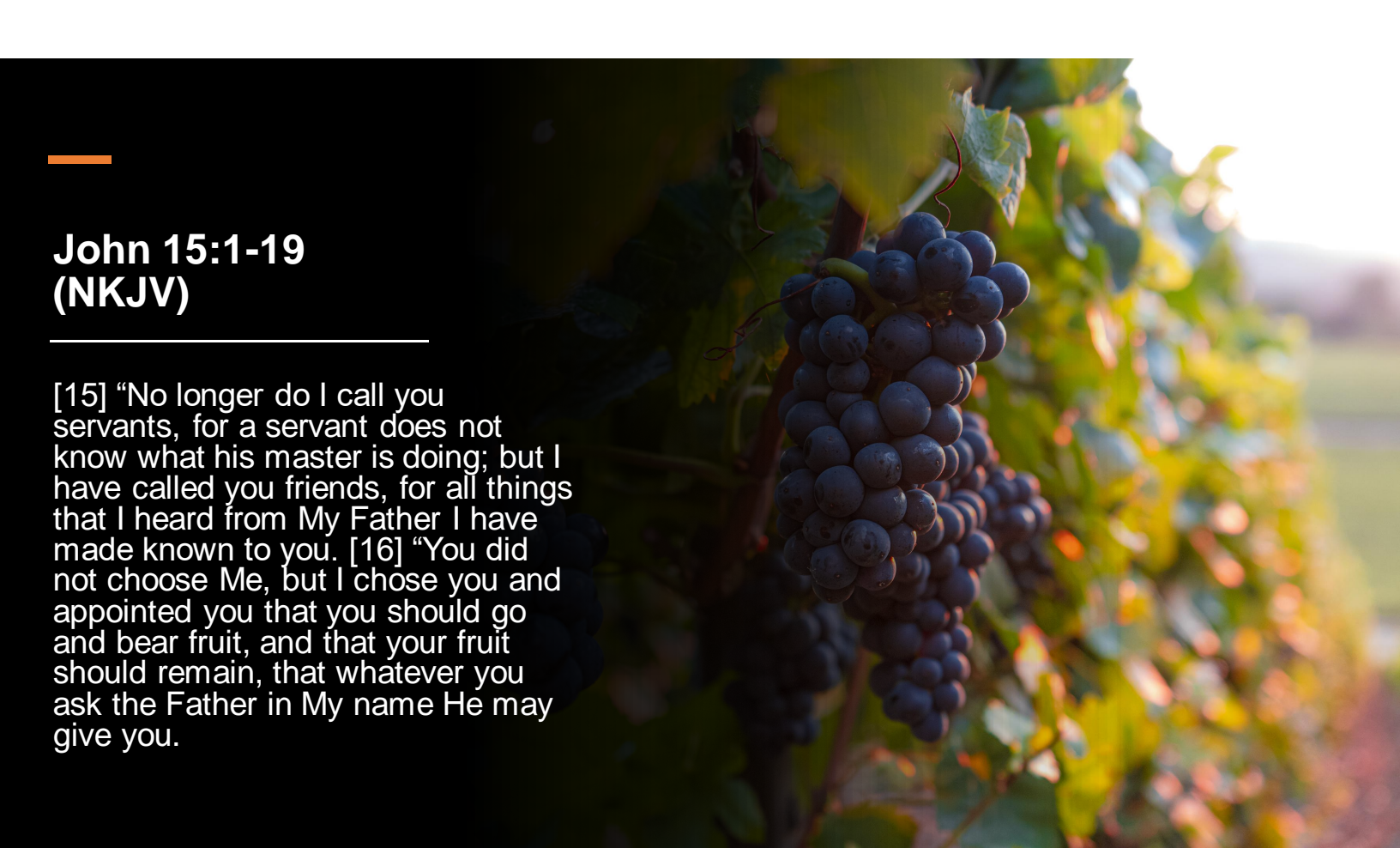
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[9] “As the Father loved (Agapao) Me, I also have loved (Agapao) you; abide in My love (Agapao).
[10] “If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love (Agape), just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love (Agape).
[11] “These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full.



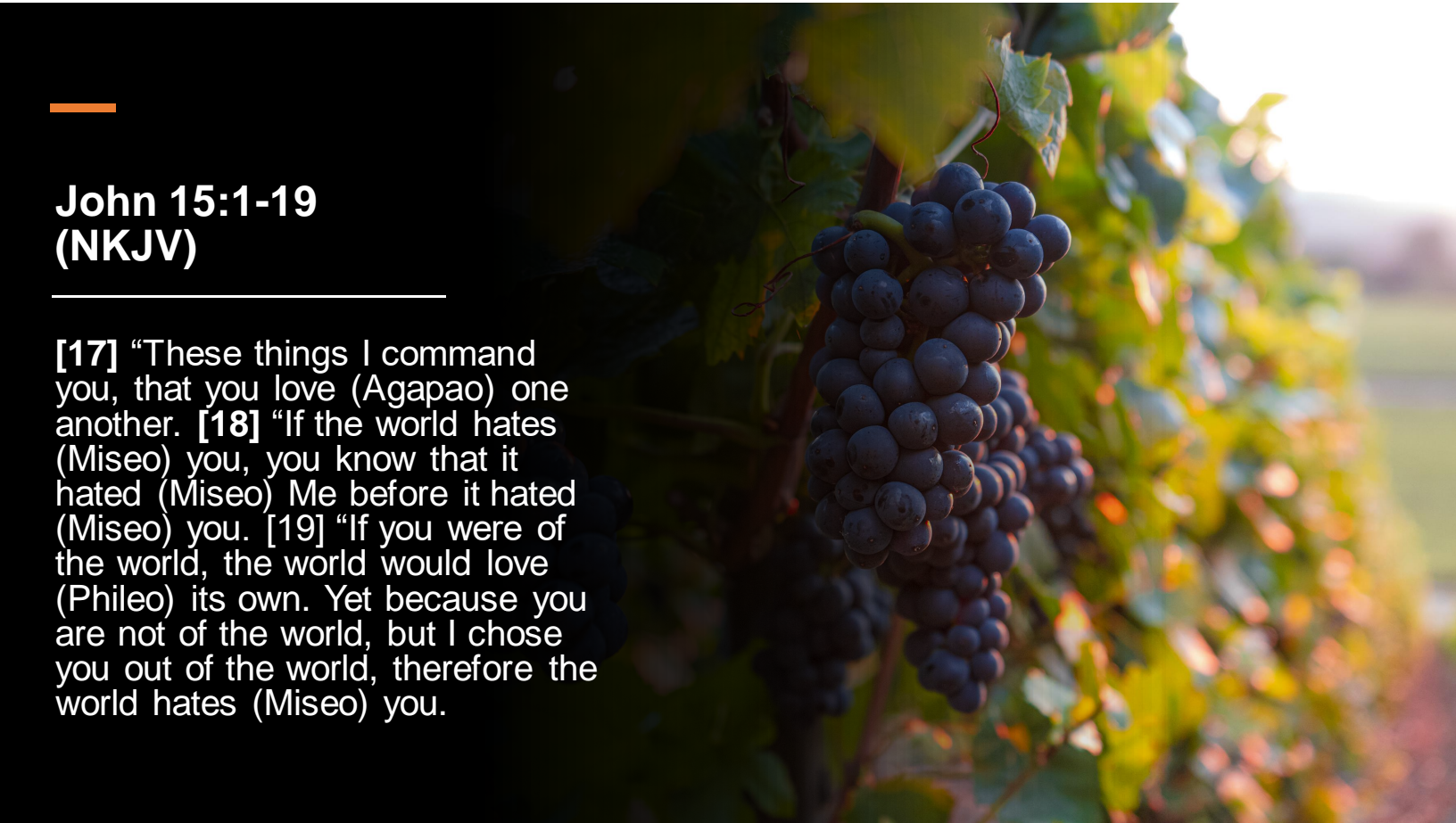
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[12] “This is My commandment, that you love (Agapao) one another as I have loved (Agapao) you. [13] “Greater love (Agape) has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends.
[14] “You are My friends if you do whatever I command you.




John 15:1-19 (NKJV)

[15] “No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you. [16] “You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you.



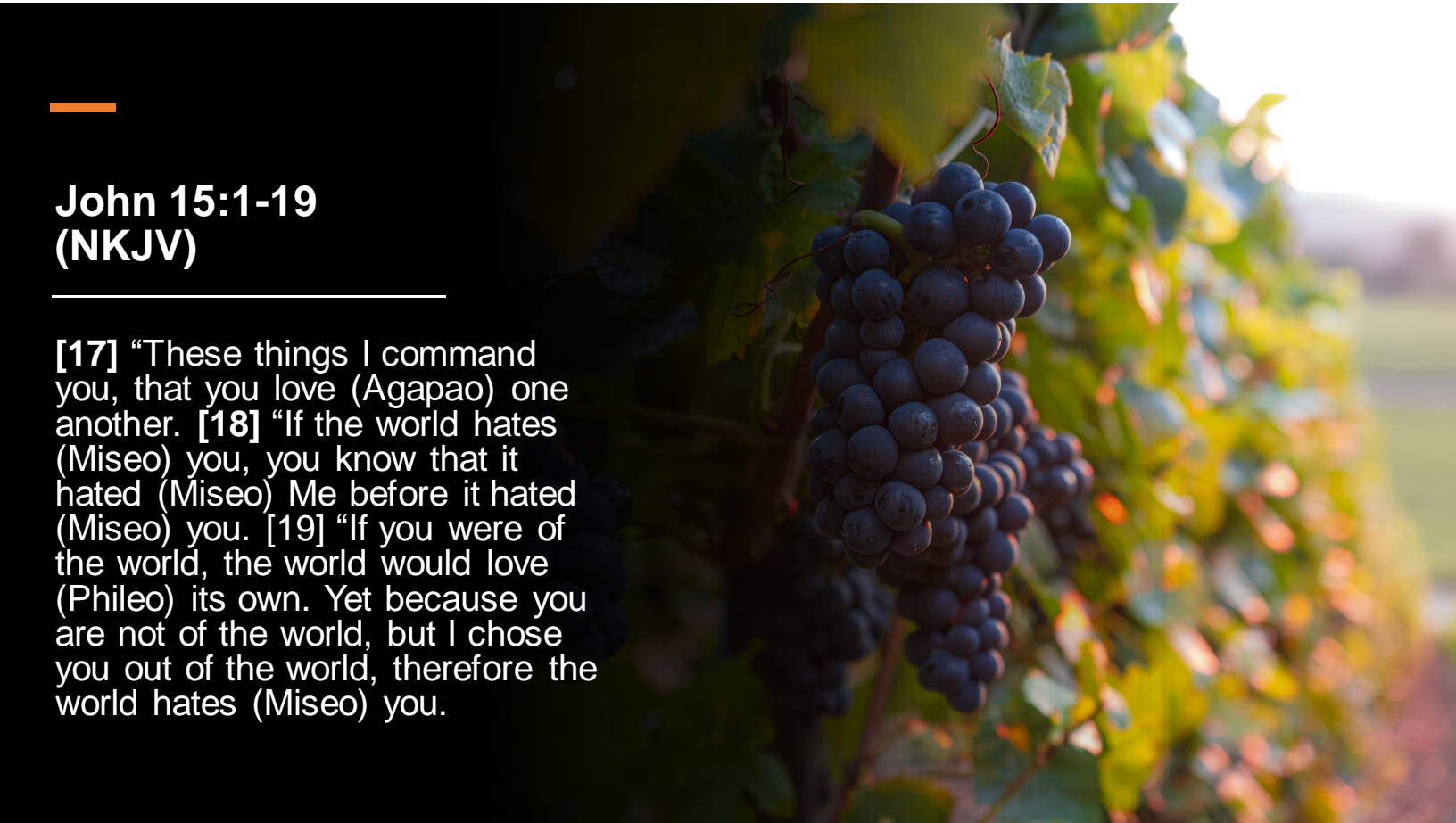
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1 Corinthians 15:31-34 (NKJV)

[31] I affirm, by the boasting in you which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily. [32] If, in the manner of men, I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantage is it to me? If the dead do not rise, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die!" [33] Do not be deceived: "Evil company corrupts good habits." [34] Awake to righteousness, and do not sin; for some do not have the knowledge of God. I speak this to your shame.

