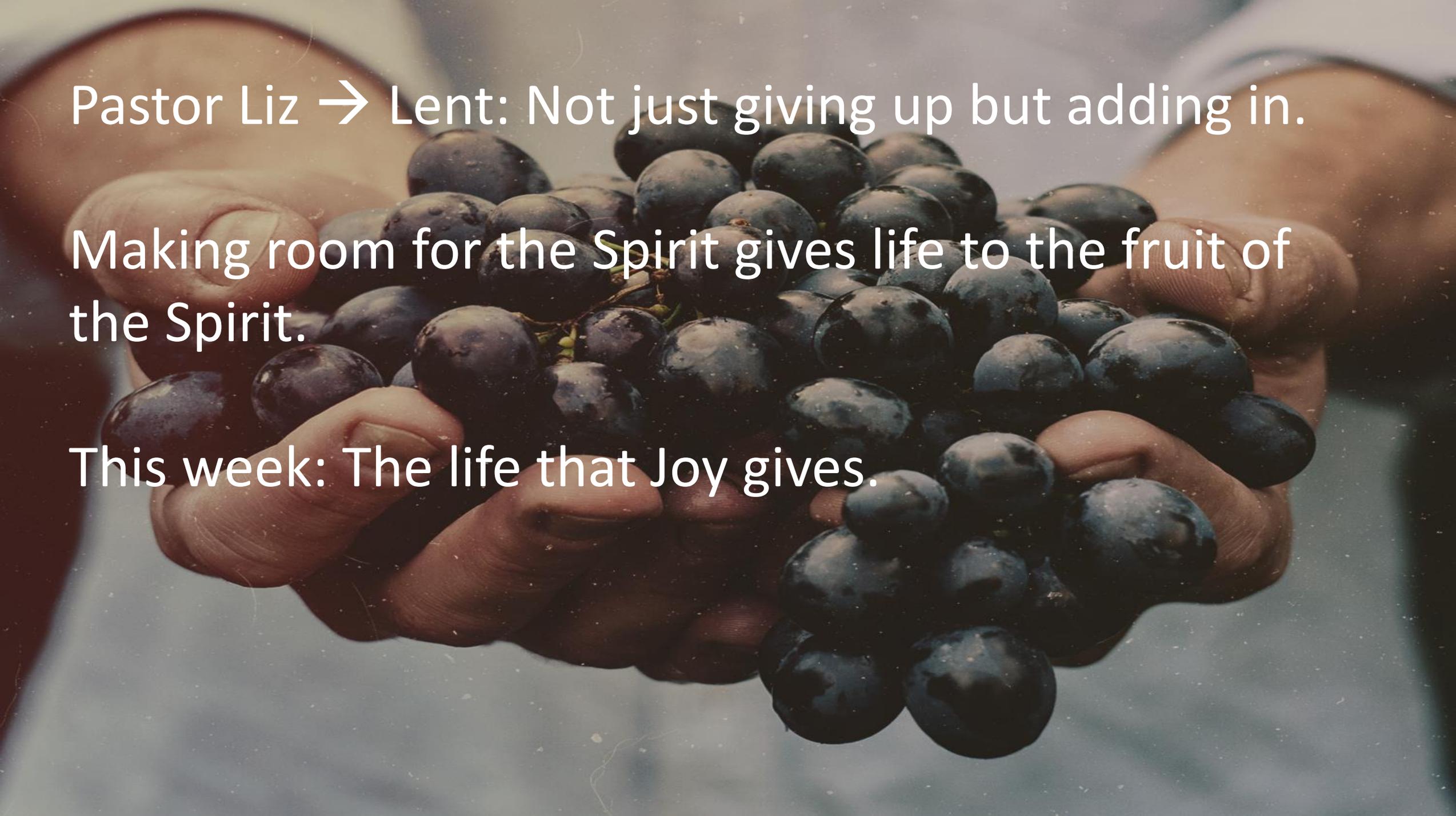




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FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

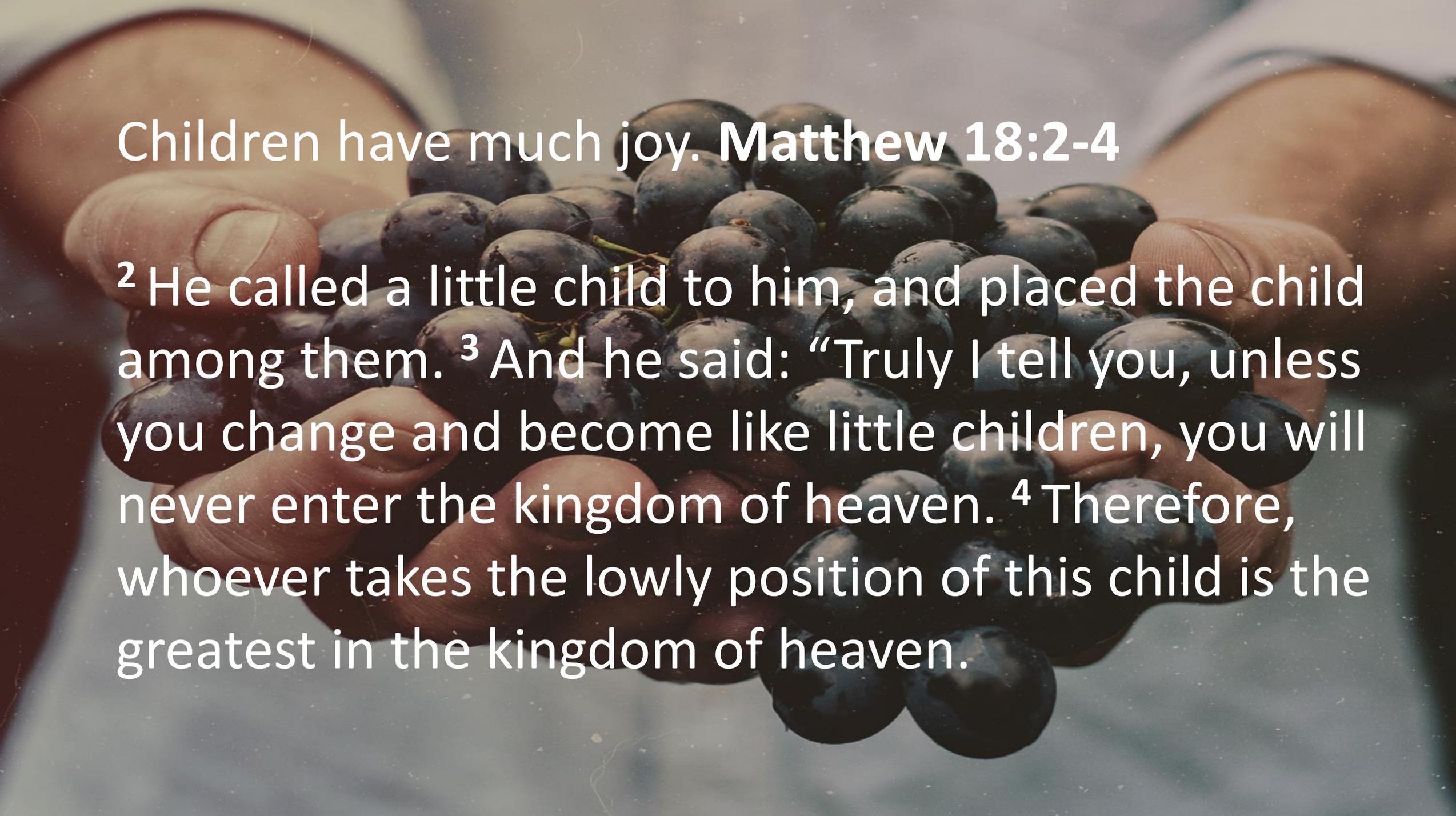
GALATIANS 5:22-23



Pastor Liz → Lent: Not just giving up but adding in.

Making room for the Spirit gives life to the fruit of the Spirit.

This week: The life that Joy gives.



Children have much joy. **Matthew 18:2-4**

² He called a little child to him, and placed the child among them. ³ And he said: "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴ Therefore, whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

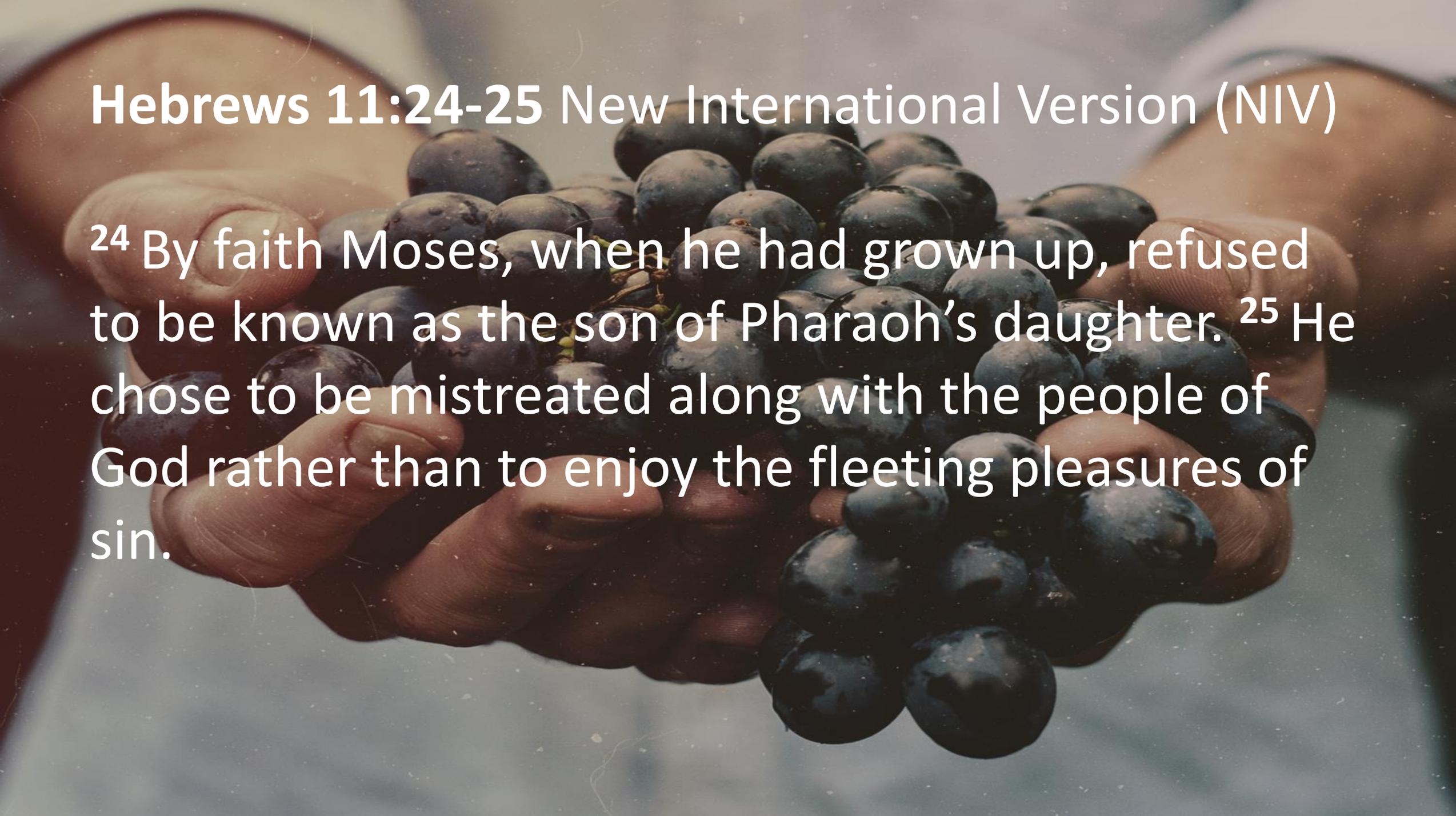
Χαρά chara khar-ah'; cheerfulness, calm
delight: gladness, greatly, exceeding joy, fullness,





**BUT THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS
LOVE, JOY, PEACE, FORBEARANCE,
KINDNESS, GOODNESS,
FAITHFULNESS, GENTLENESS AND
SELF-CONTROL. AGAINST SUCH
THINGS THERE IS NO LAW.**

GALATIANS 5:22-23



Hebrews 11:24-25 New International Version (NIV)

²⁴ By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh's daughter. ²⁵ He chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin.

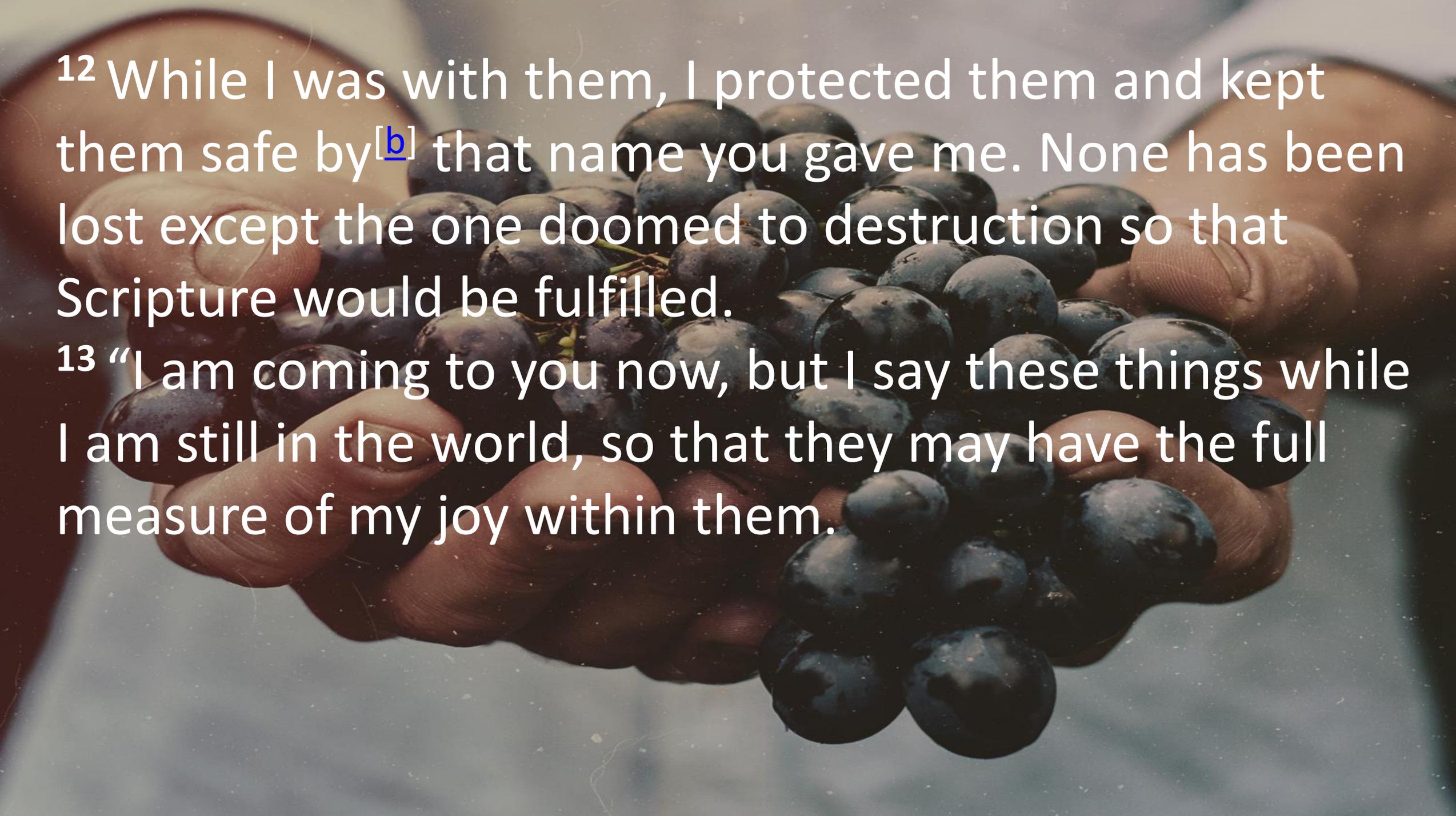
John 15:8-12 New International Version (NIV)

⁸ This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

⁹ "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. ¹¹ I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. ¹² My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.

John 17:9-13 New International Version (NIV)

⁹ I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰ All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. ¹¹ I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of [\[a\]](#) your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one.



¹² While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by ^[b] that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled.

¹³ “I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them.



Nehemiah 8:10 New International Version (NIV)

¹⁰ Nehemiah said, “Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.”



Joy in the community. Looks like celebration.

How do you feel with your church family? Is there Fullness? Exceeding Joy?

Pastor Liz: What are you giving up so God can add?



