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UNCHANGING TRUTH FOR
UNCERTAIN TIMES



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Evangelical Free Church of America
10 point **Statement of Faith**



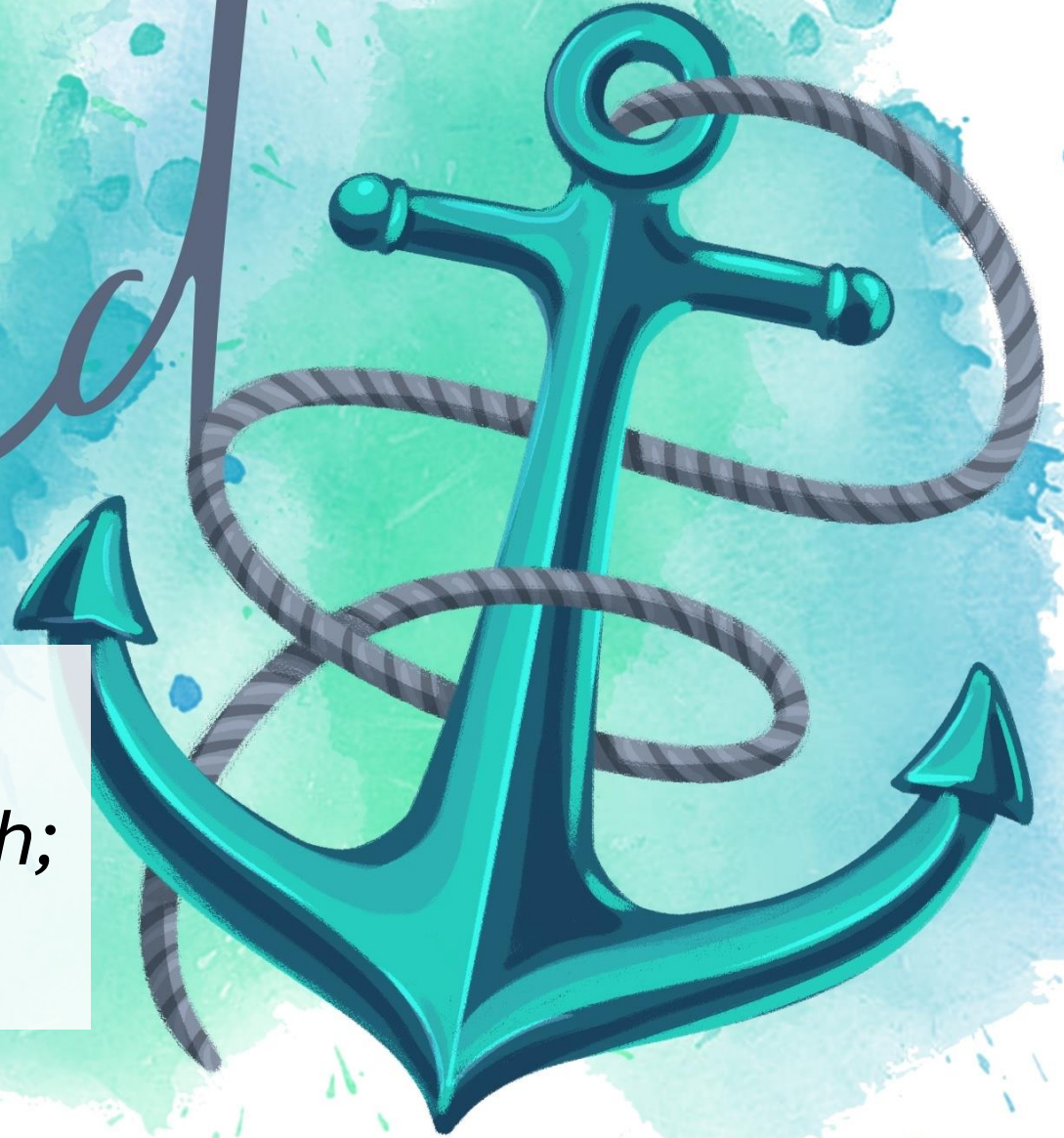
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the revealed authentic beauty of
who God is and how He engages
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Theology is an honest exploration and explanation
of how God reveals Himself
and establishes a way to engage mankind
and a way for mankind to engage Him in His
comprehensibility and even in His incomprehensibility.

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Romans 1:18-20

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth. For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. For His invisible attributes, namely, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse.

Comprehensible

Jeremiah 9:23-24

Thus says the LORD:

“Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, lest not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches, but let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth.

For in these things I delight, declares the LORD.”

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I John 2:12-14

I am writing to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven for His name's sake.

I am writing to you, fathers, because you know Him who is from the beginning.

I am writing to you, young men, because you have overcome the evil one.

I write to you, children because you know the Father.

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John 17:1-3

When Jesus had spoken these words, He lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said,

“Father, the hour has come, glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given Him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given Him. And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ who you have sent.

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Psalm 145:1-3

I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.
Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever.
Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
and His greatness is unsearchable.

Incomprehensible

Psalm 139:1-6

O LORD, you have searched me and known me! You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar. You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O LORD, you know it altogether. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.

Incomprehensible

Romans 11:33

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are His judgements and how inscrutable His ways!
“For who has known the mind of the Lord,
or who has given a gift to Him that He might be repaid?”
For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.
To Him be glory forever. Amen.

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**Not only do we think it's true,
we're trusting that it's true.**

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Mark 12:28-29

And one of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that He answered them well, asked Him, “Which commandment is the most important of all?” Jesus answered, “The most important is, ‘Hear, O Israel: **The Lord our God, the Lord is one.** And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ The second is this: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.

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Genesis 1:1; 26-27

1 In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

26 Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

27 So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

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Being created in the image of God
means that God linked
intelligence with conscience in mankind,
making us uniquely different than all the rest of
creation and profoundly different than machines.

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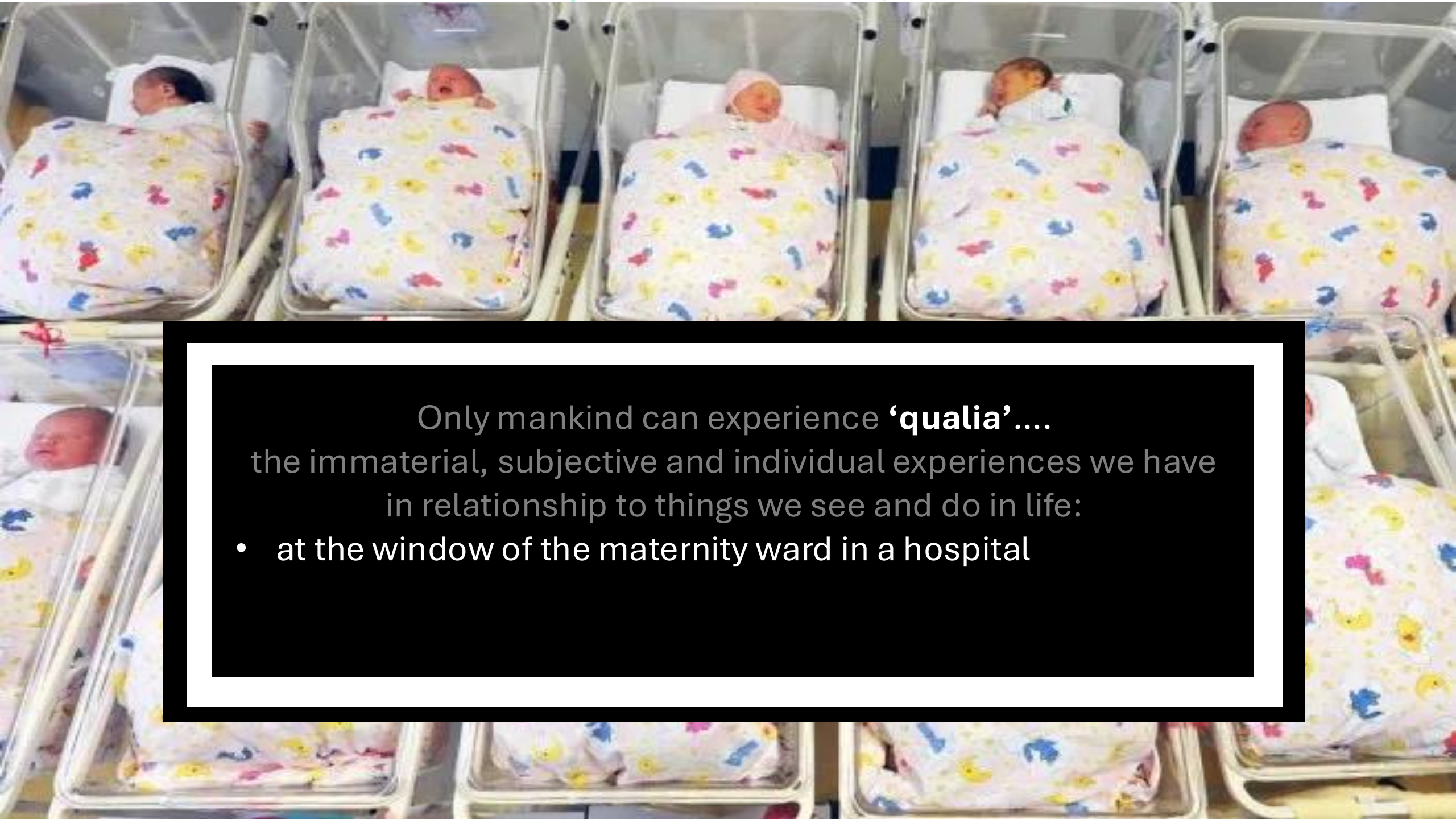
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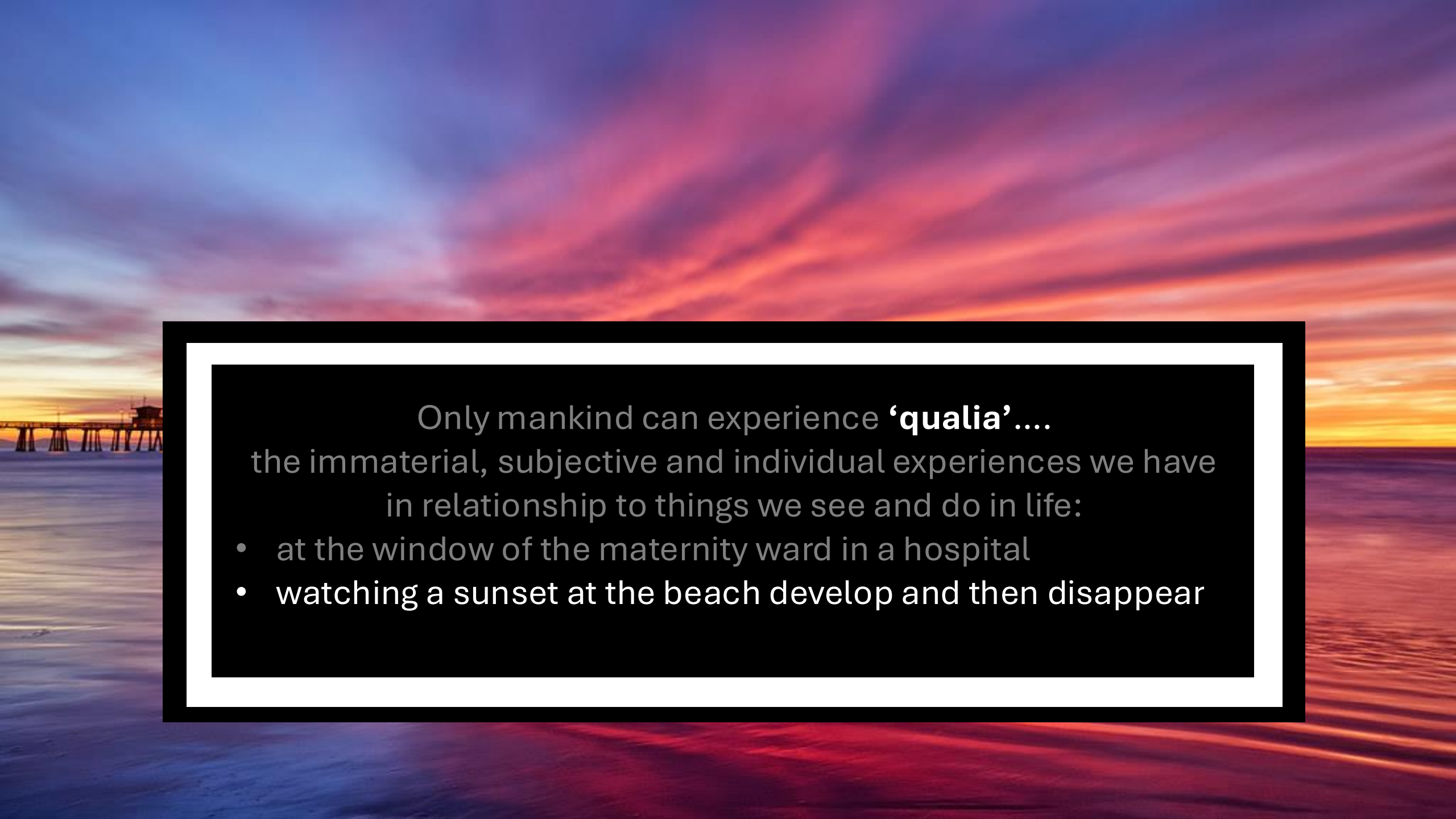
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- to stand at the coffin of friend or relative to say goodbye

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Isaiah 6:1-5

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of His robe filled the temple. ² Above Him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew.³ And one called to another and said:

**“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of His glory!”**

⁴ And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of Him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!”

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Revelation 1:8

“I am the Alpha and the Omega” says the Lord God,
“who is and
who was and
who is to come, the Almighty.”

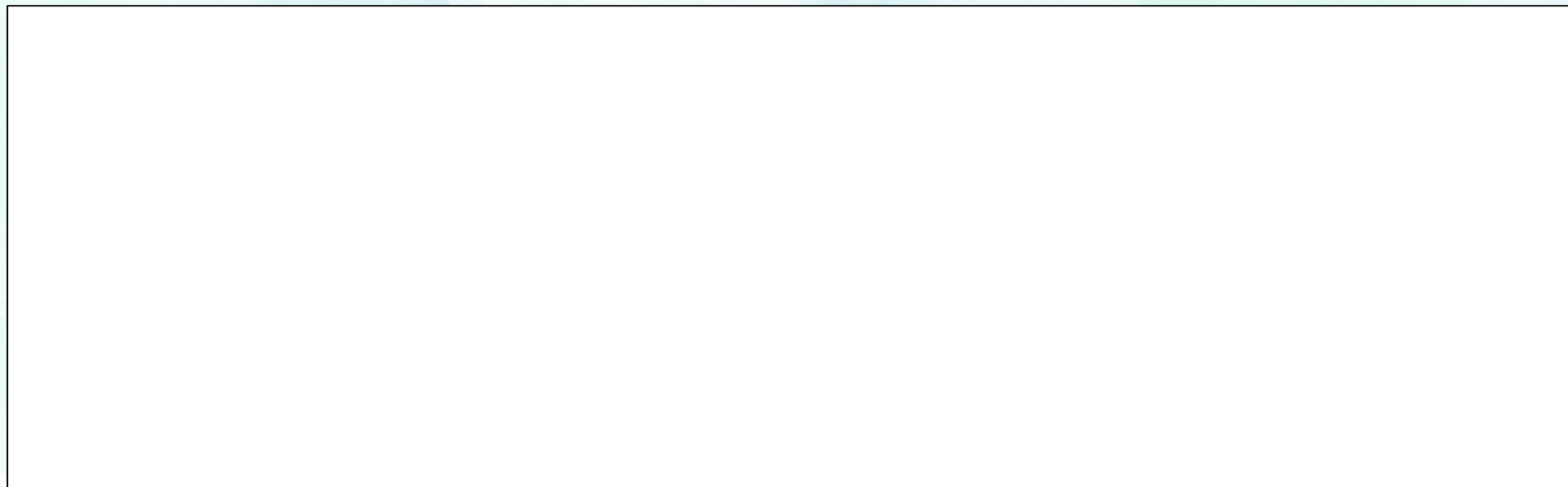
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- or a Horah, the circle dance in perfect
synchronized unity, Kolo...three in one.

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I Peter 1:1-2

¹ Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,

To those who are elect exiles of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia,

² according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in the sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with His blood: May grace and peace be multiplied to you.

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John 21:15-17 20-21

He (Jesus) said to him (Peter) the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to Him,

"Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you."

Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep."

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Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to Him **who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think**, according to the power at work with in us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen

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II Timothy 1:8-10

⁸Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, ⁹who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of His own purpose and grace, which He gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel,

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Revelation 21:1-4

¹ Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be His people, and God Himself will be with them as their God. ⁴ He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

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Revelation 5:9-14

⁹ And they sang a new song, saying,

“Worthy are you to take the scroll
and to open its seals,
for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God
from every tribe and language and people and nation,
¹⁰ and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God,
and they shall reign on the earth.”

¹¹ Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice
of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands,¹² saying with a loud
voice,

“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might
and honor and glory and blessing!”

¹³ And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all
that is in them, saying,

“To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
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So....therefore....what now?

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