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Don't Be Like Euodia and Sntyche

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standing firm

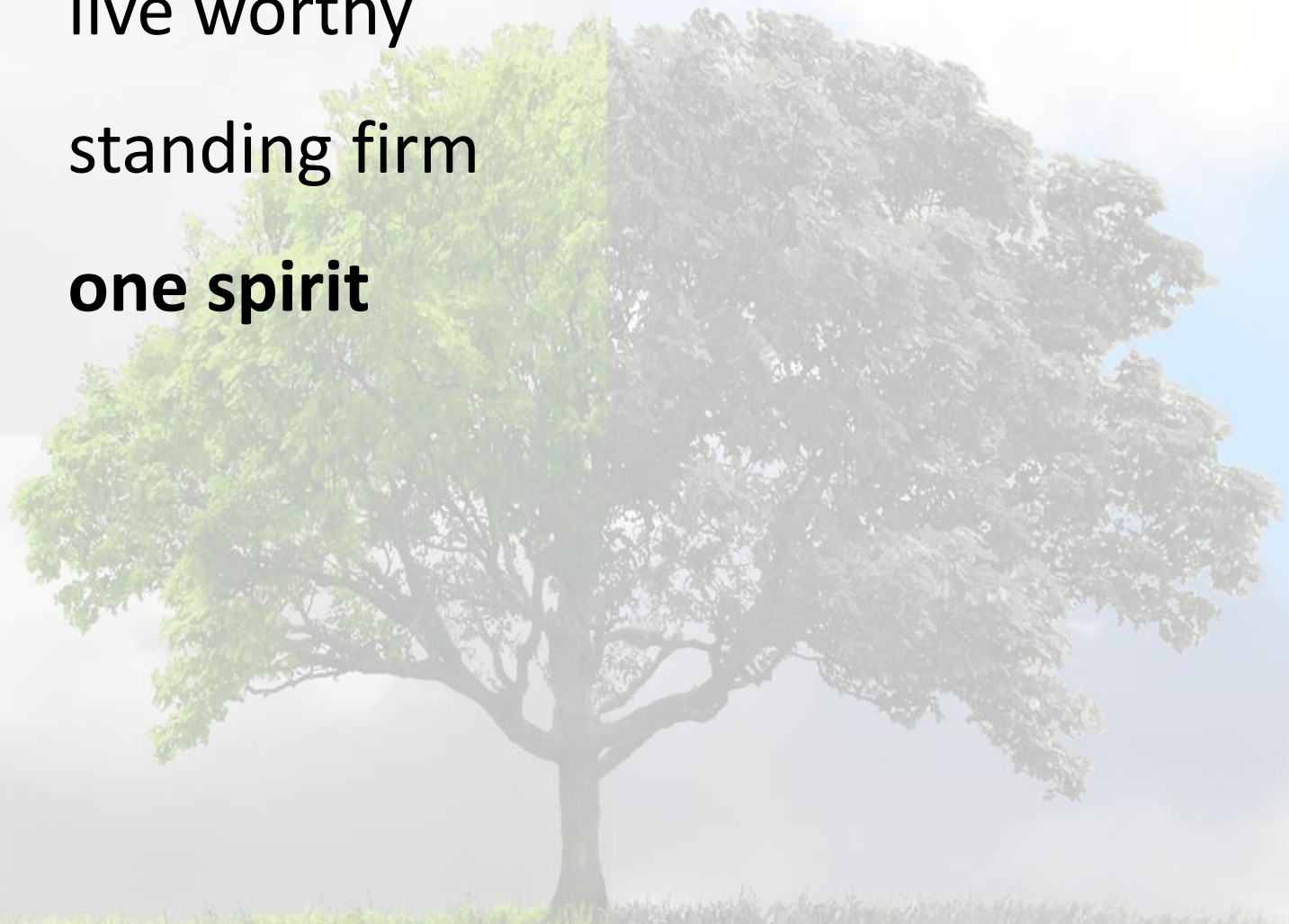


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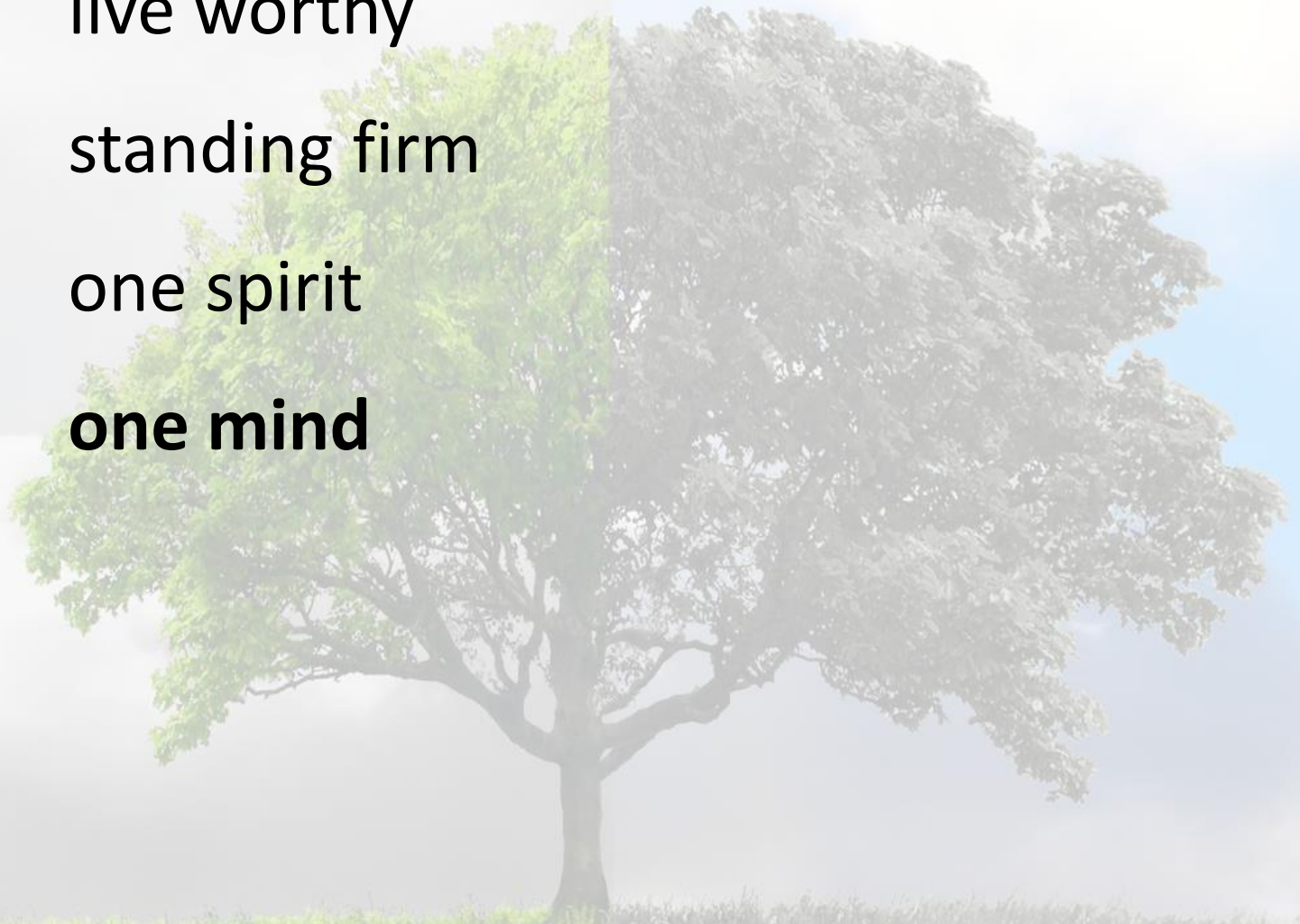
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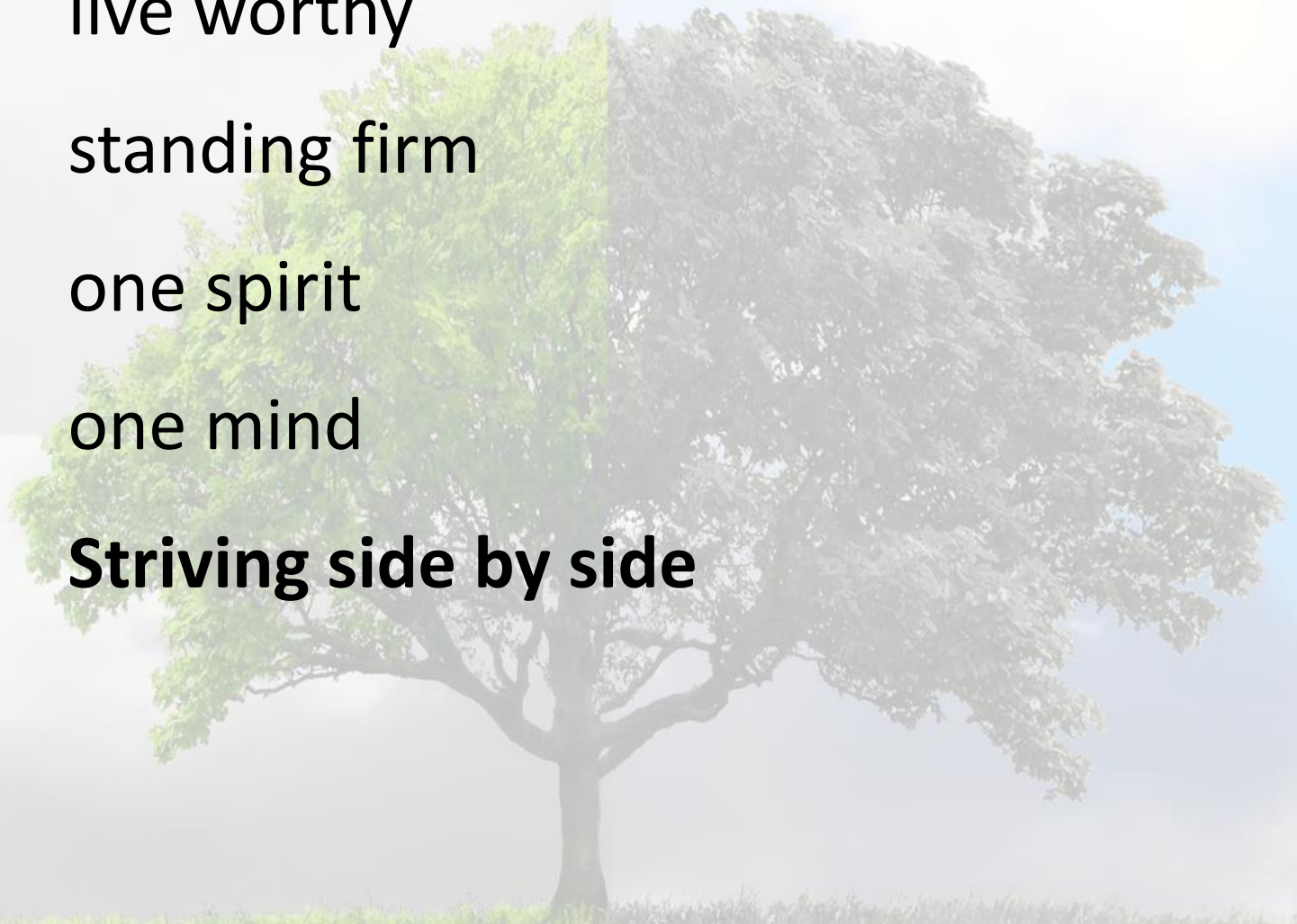
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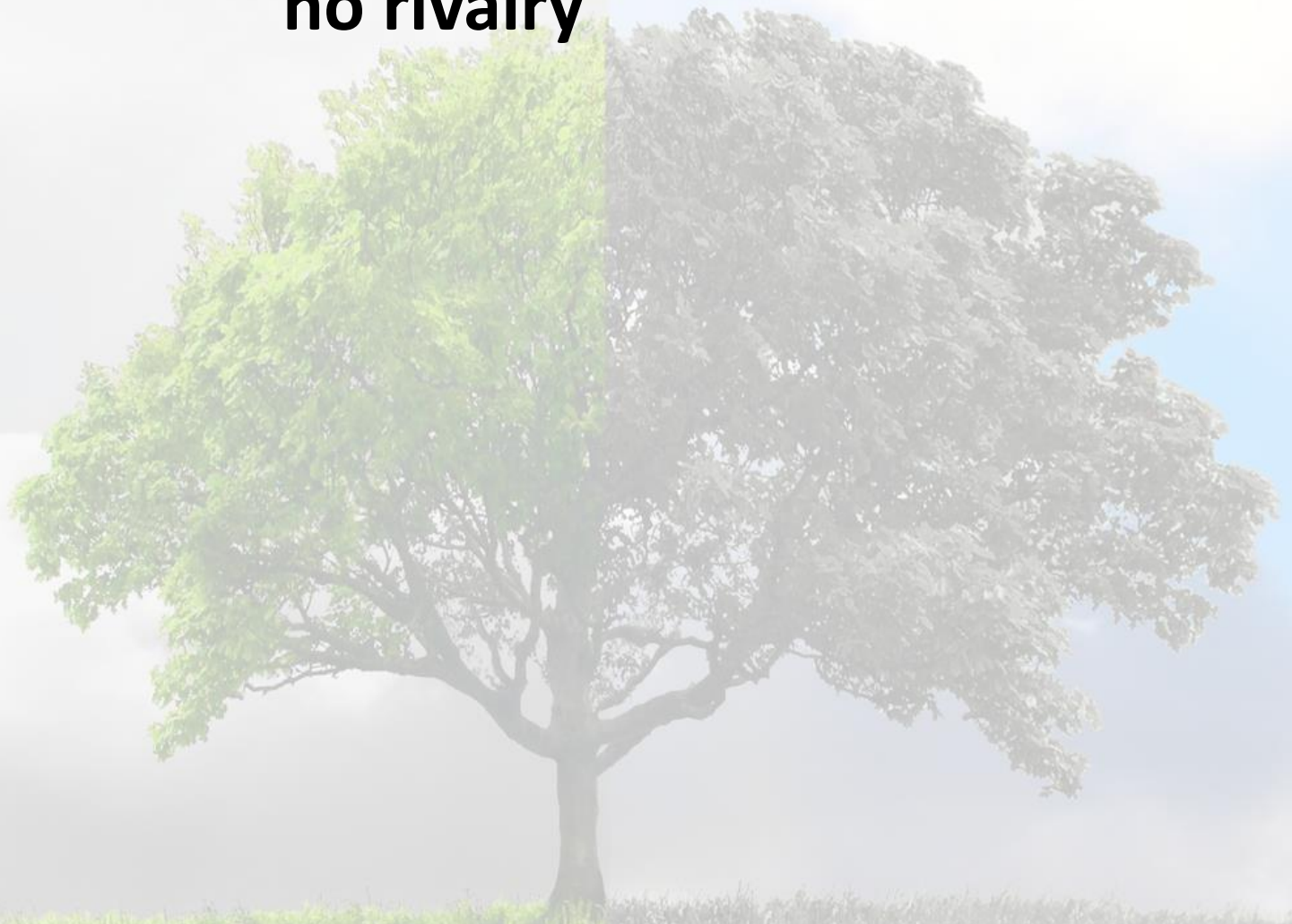
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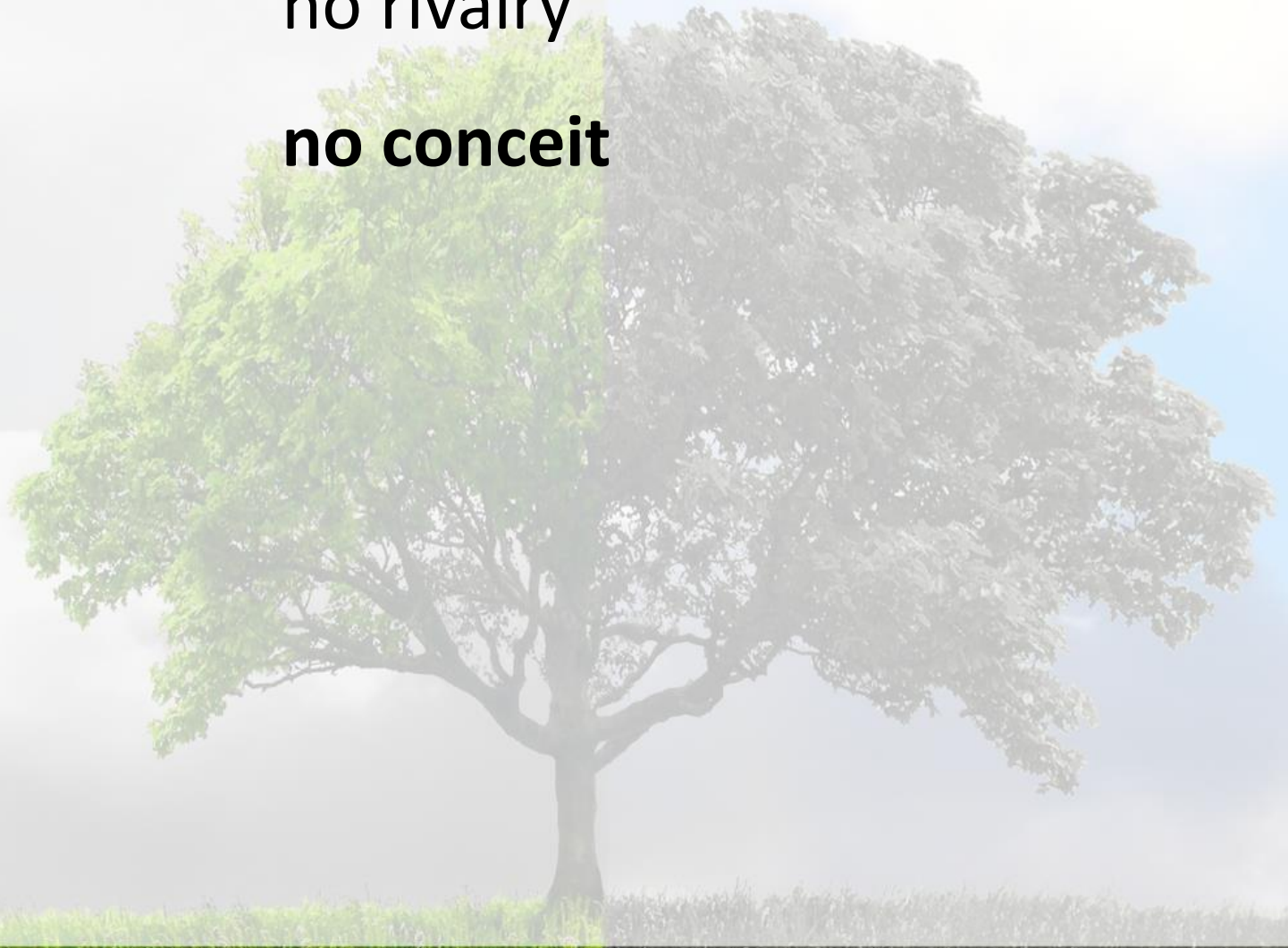
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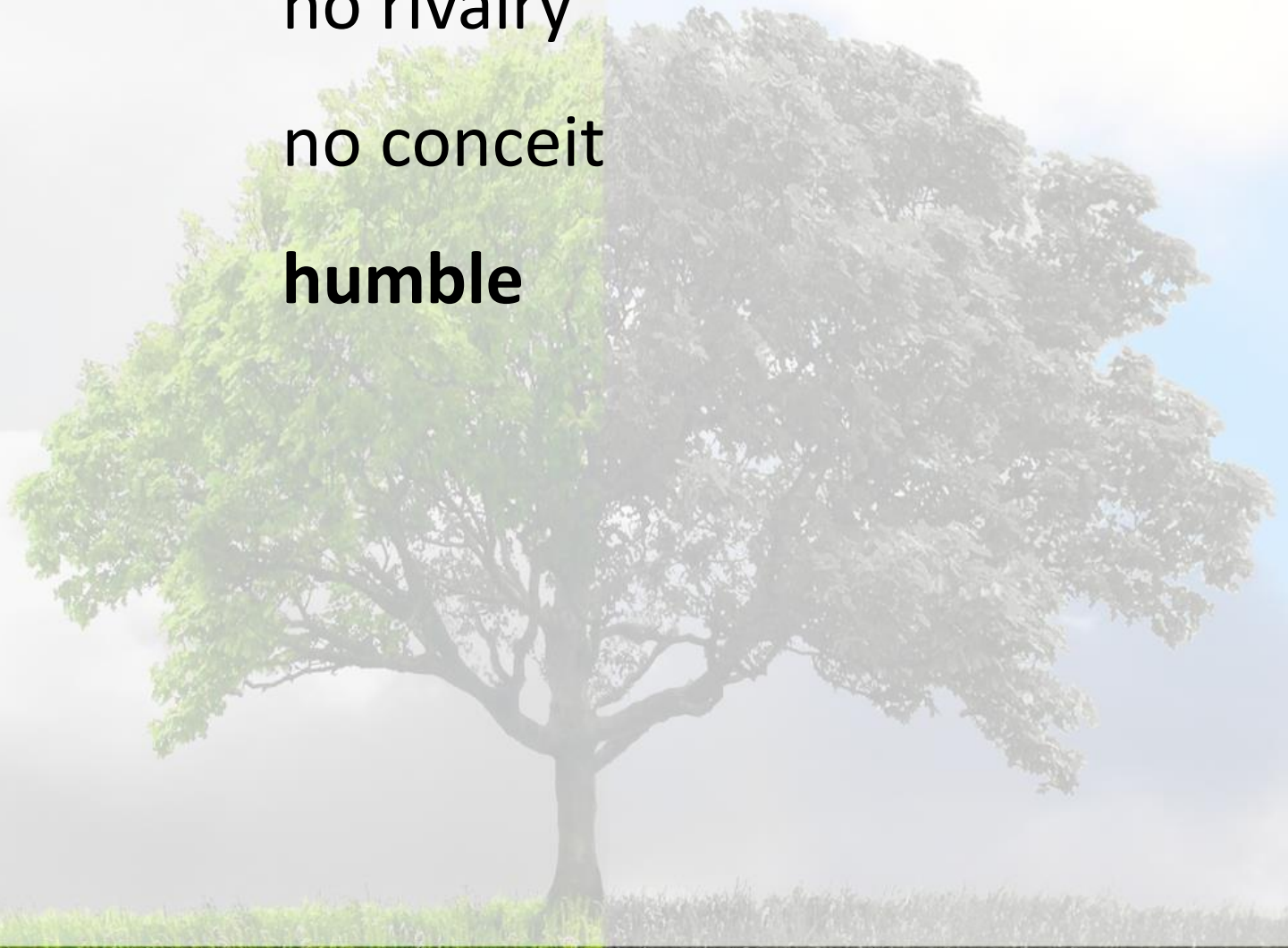


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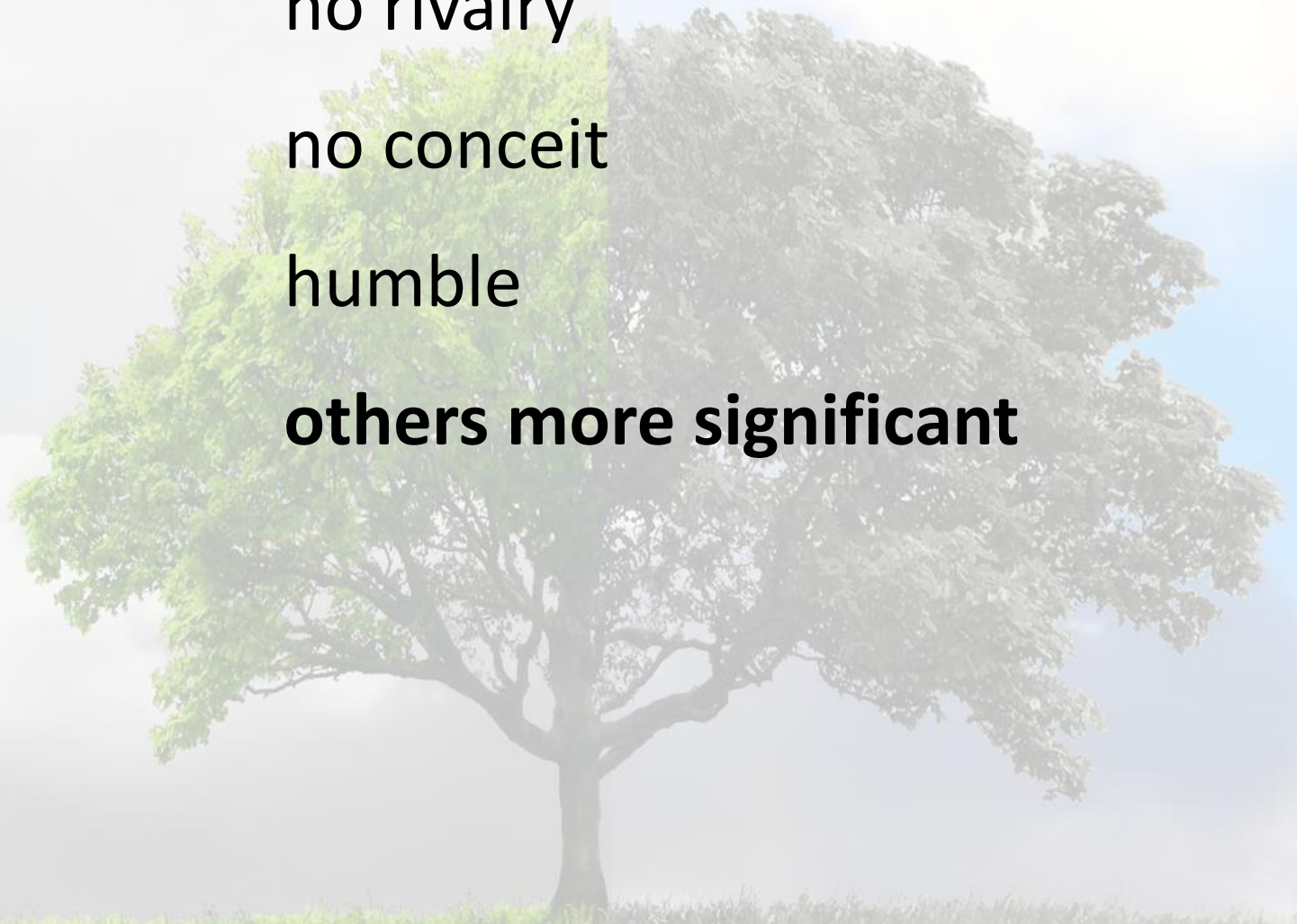
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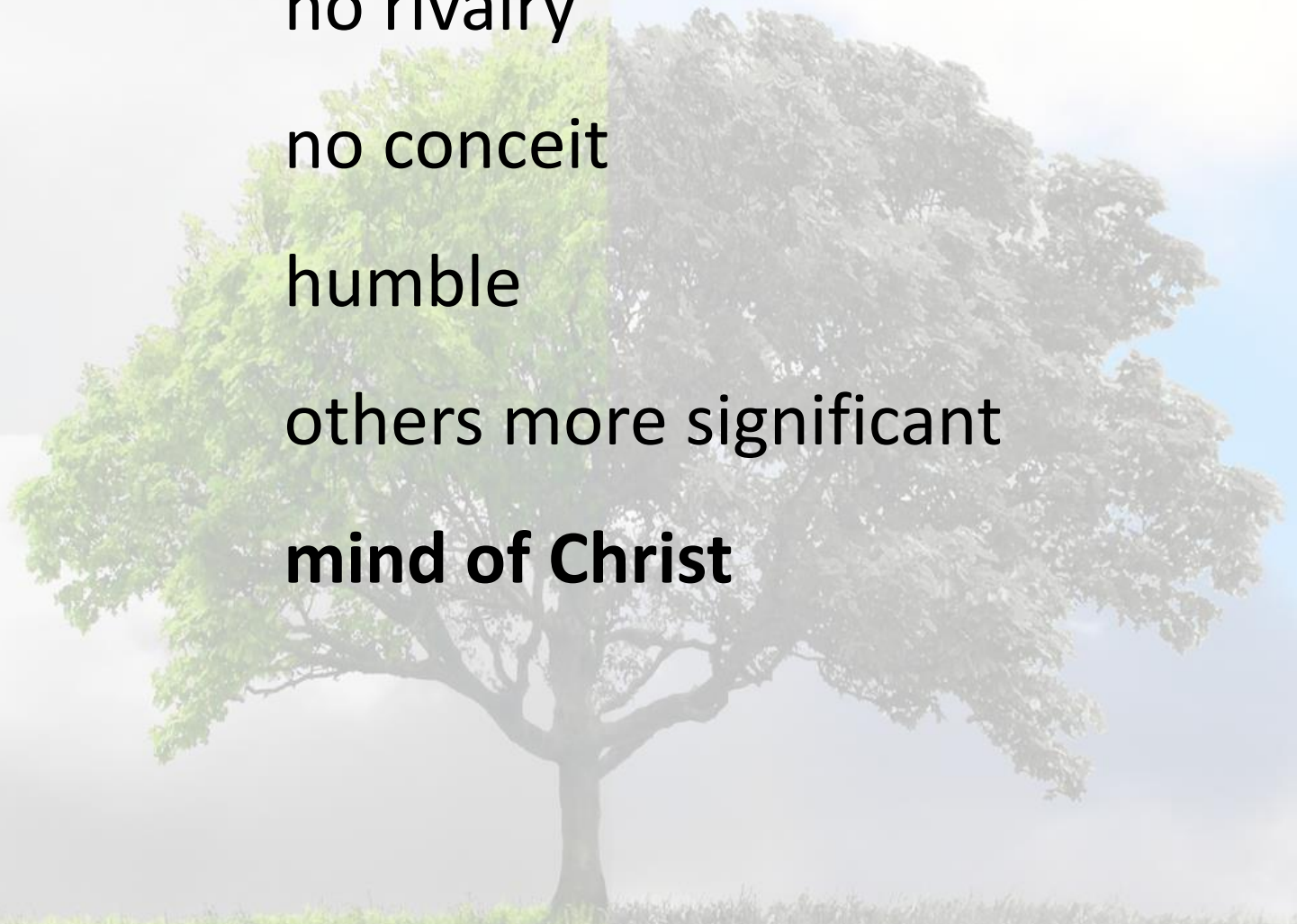
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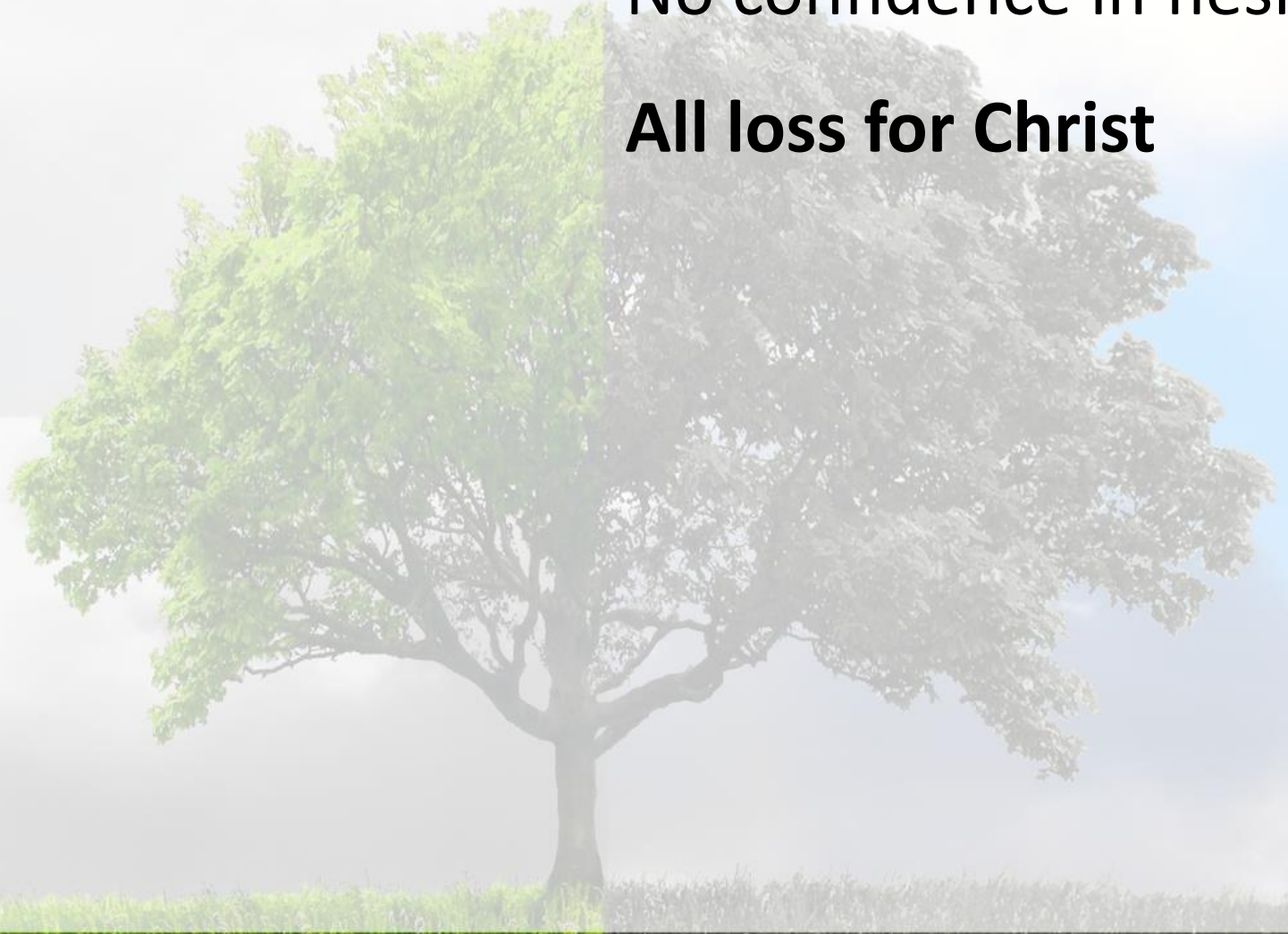
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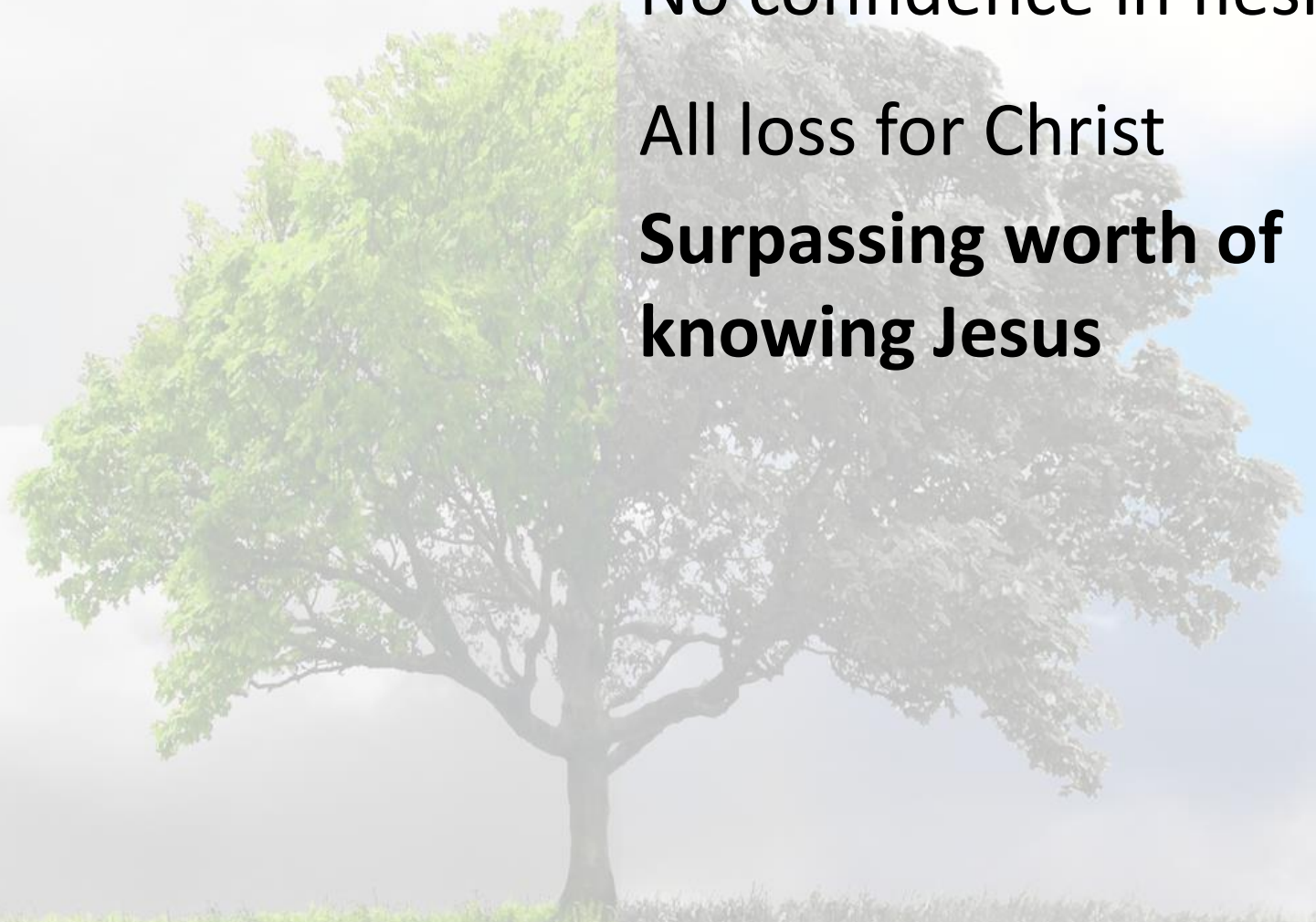


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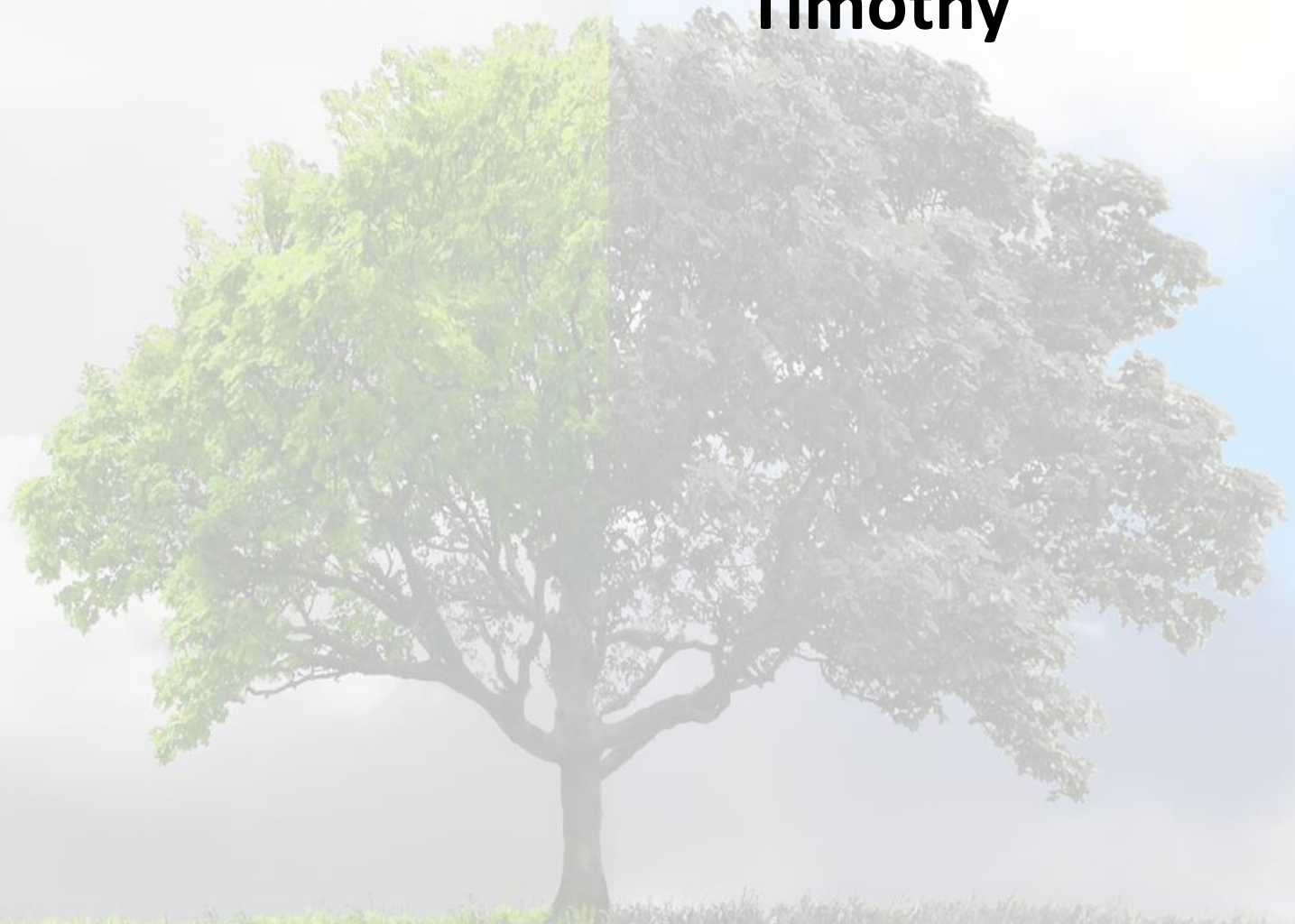


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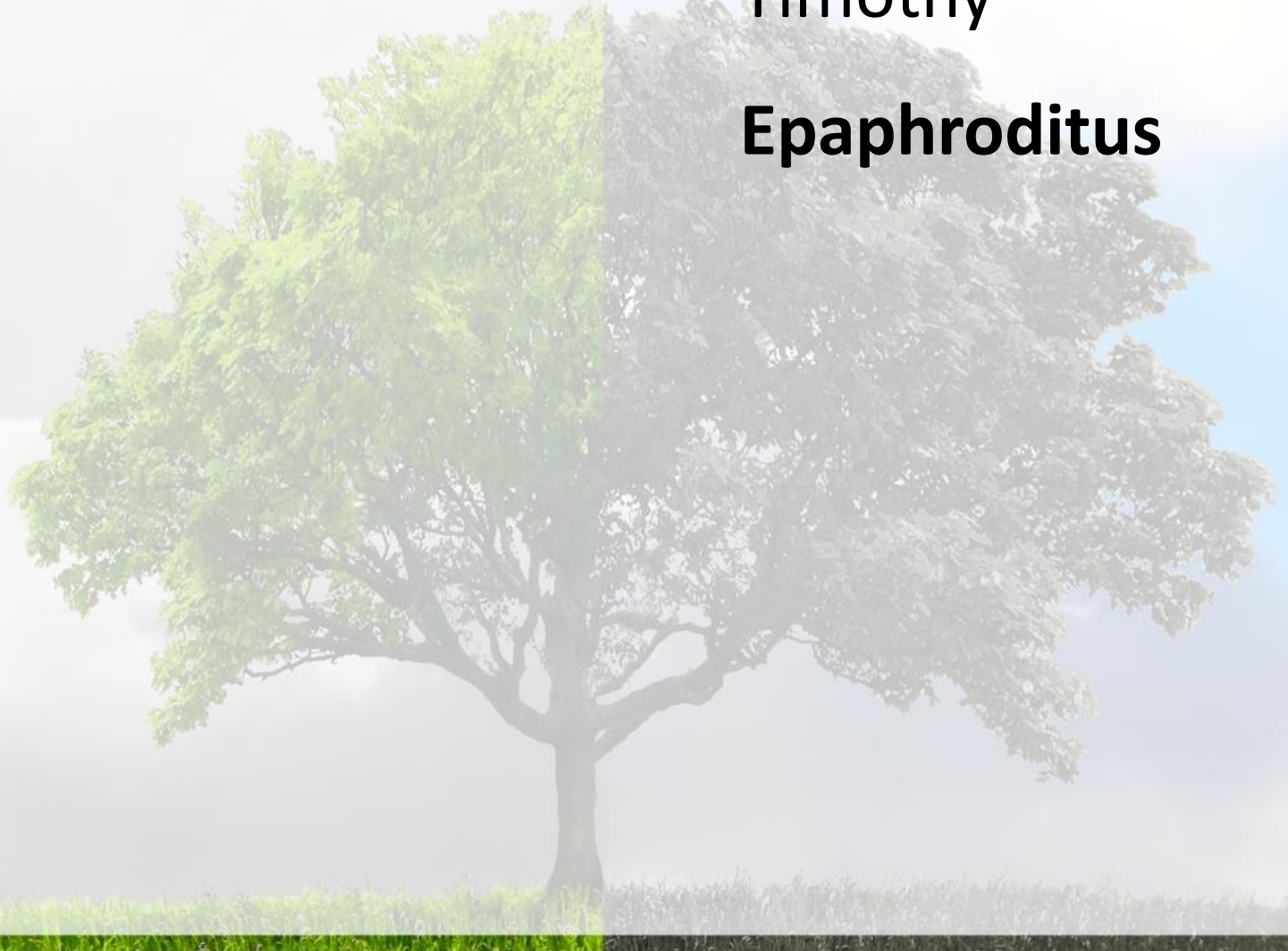
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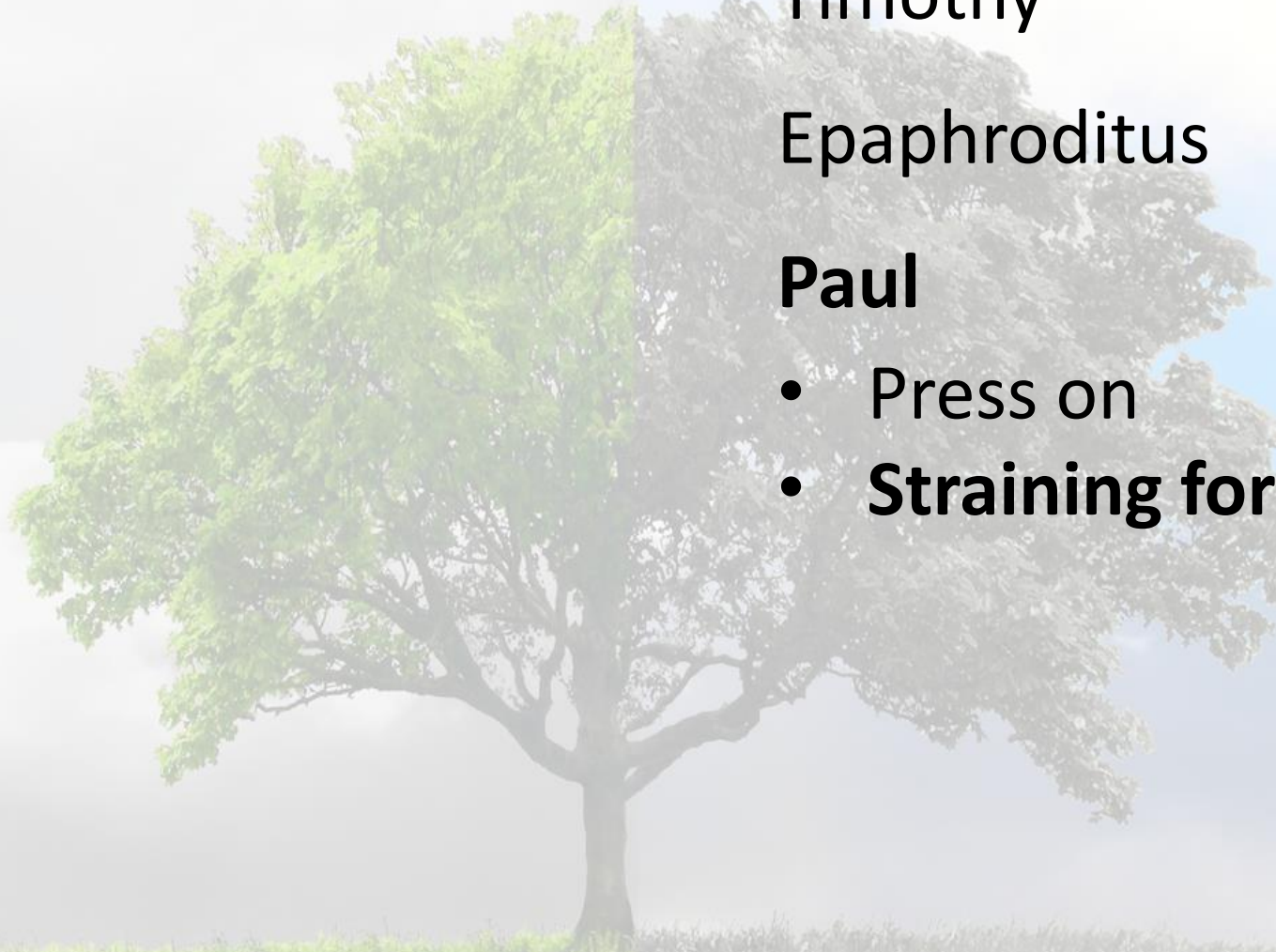
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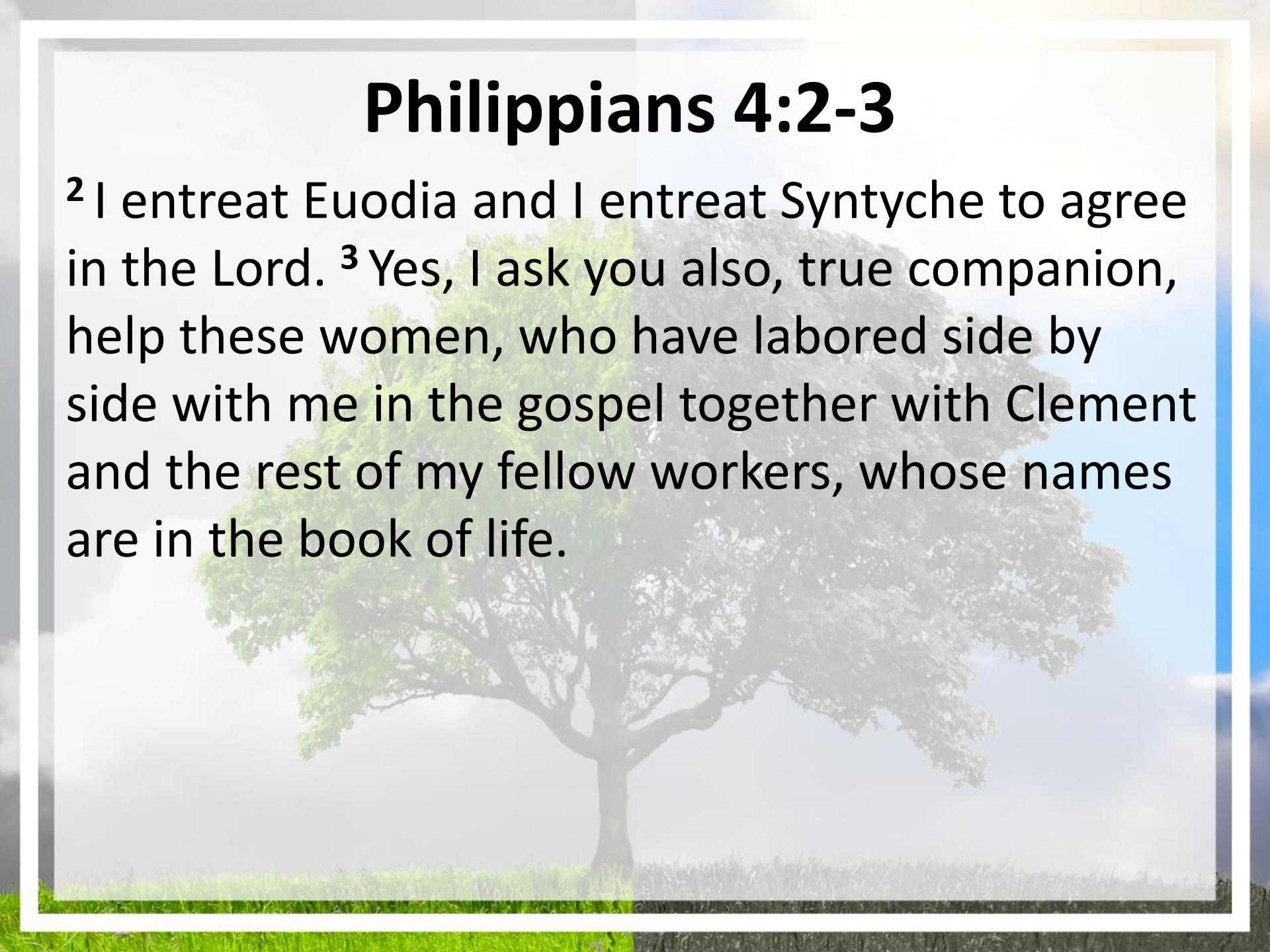
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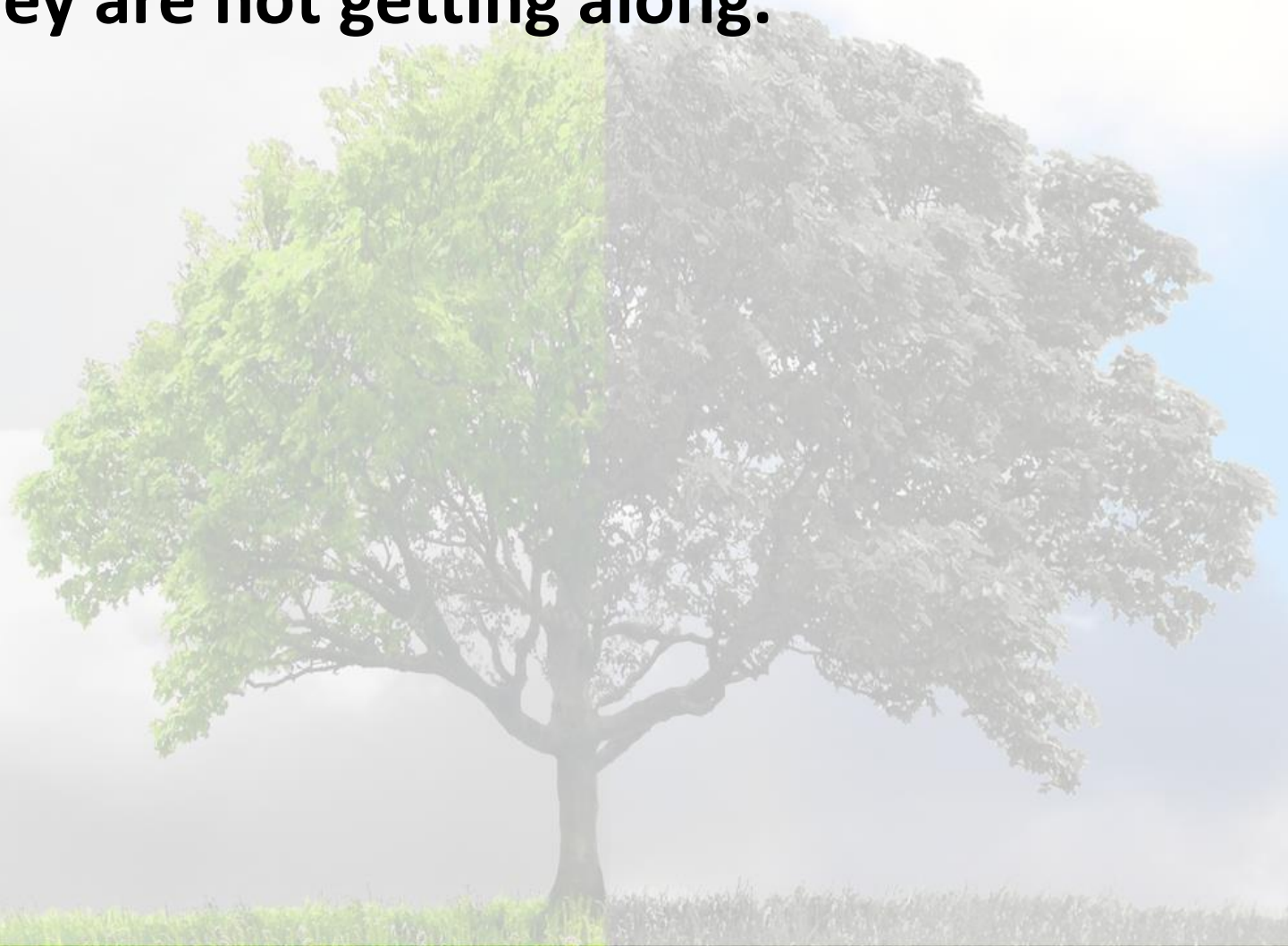
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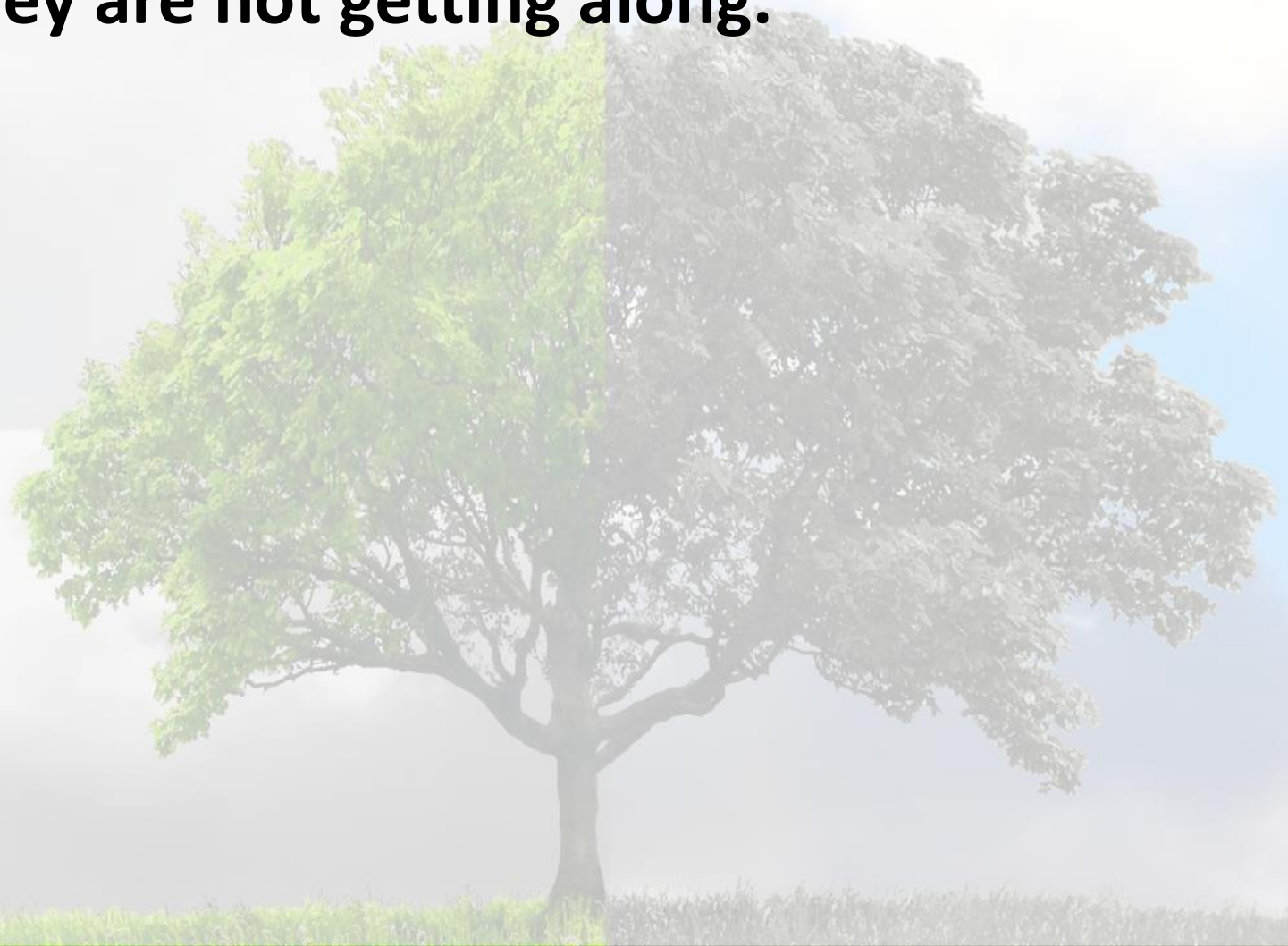
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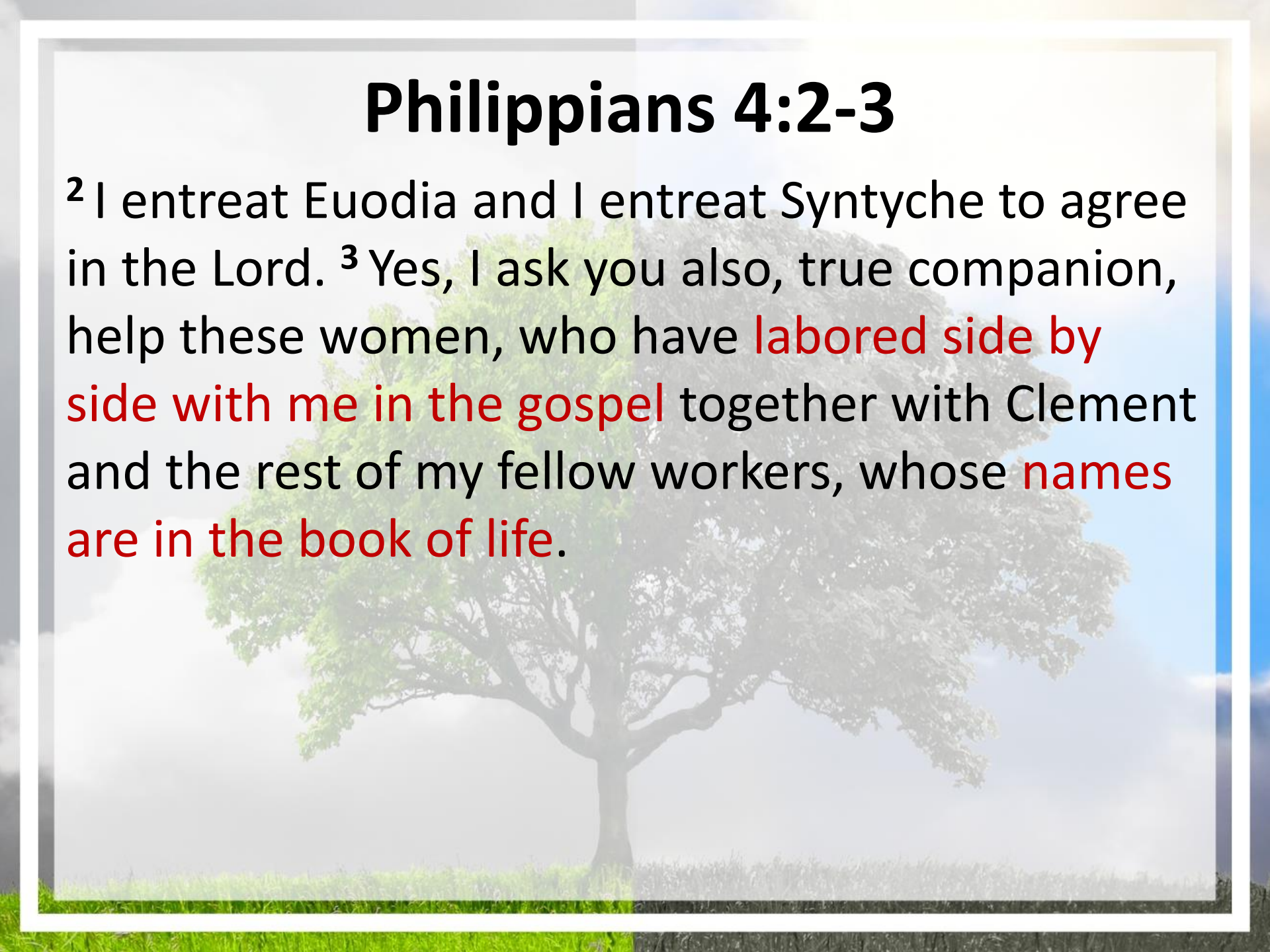
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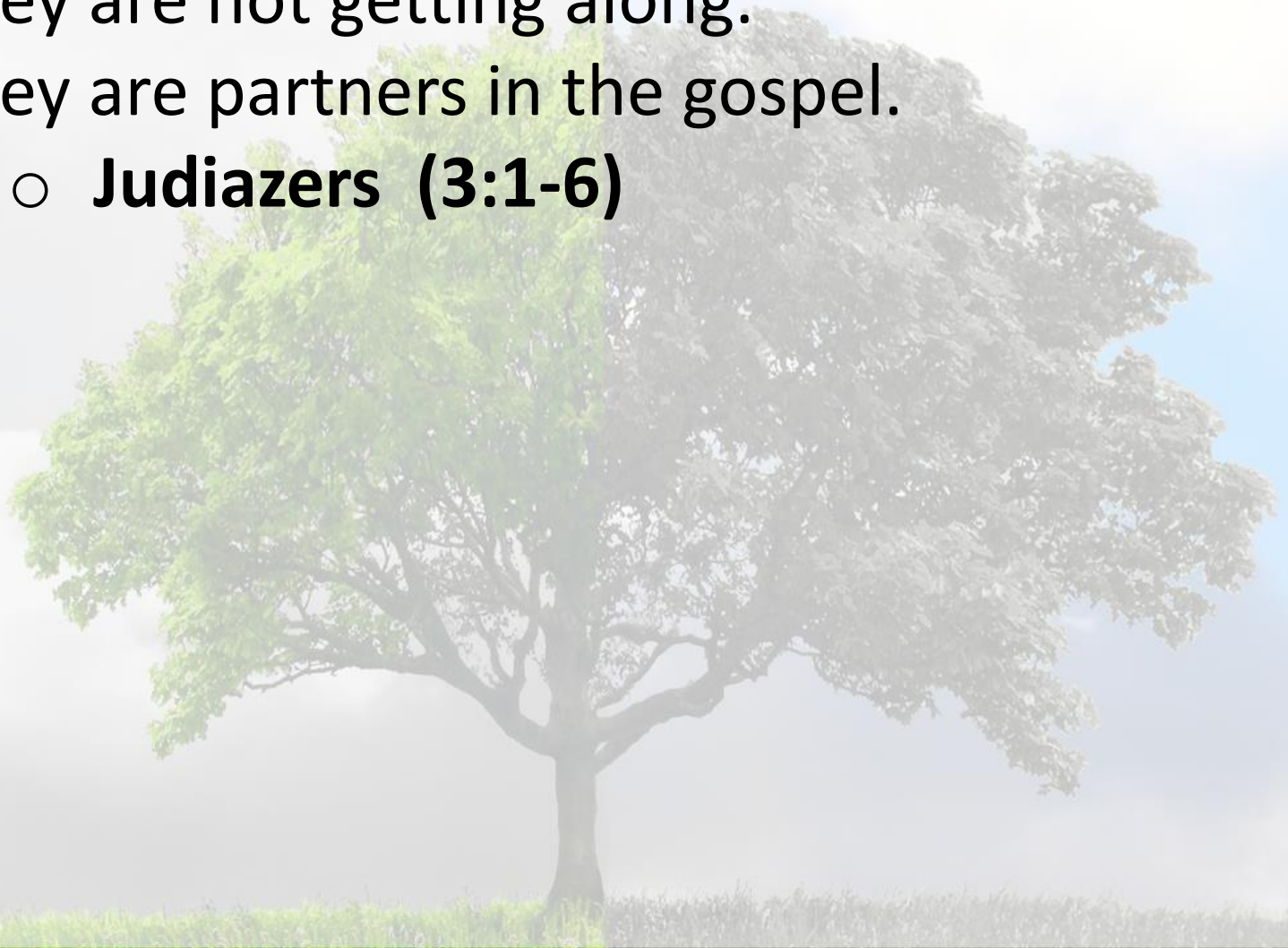
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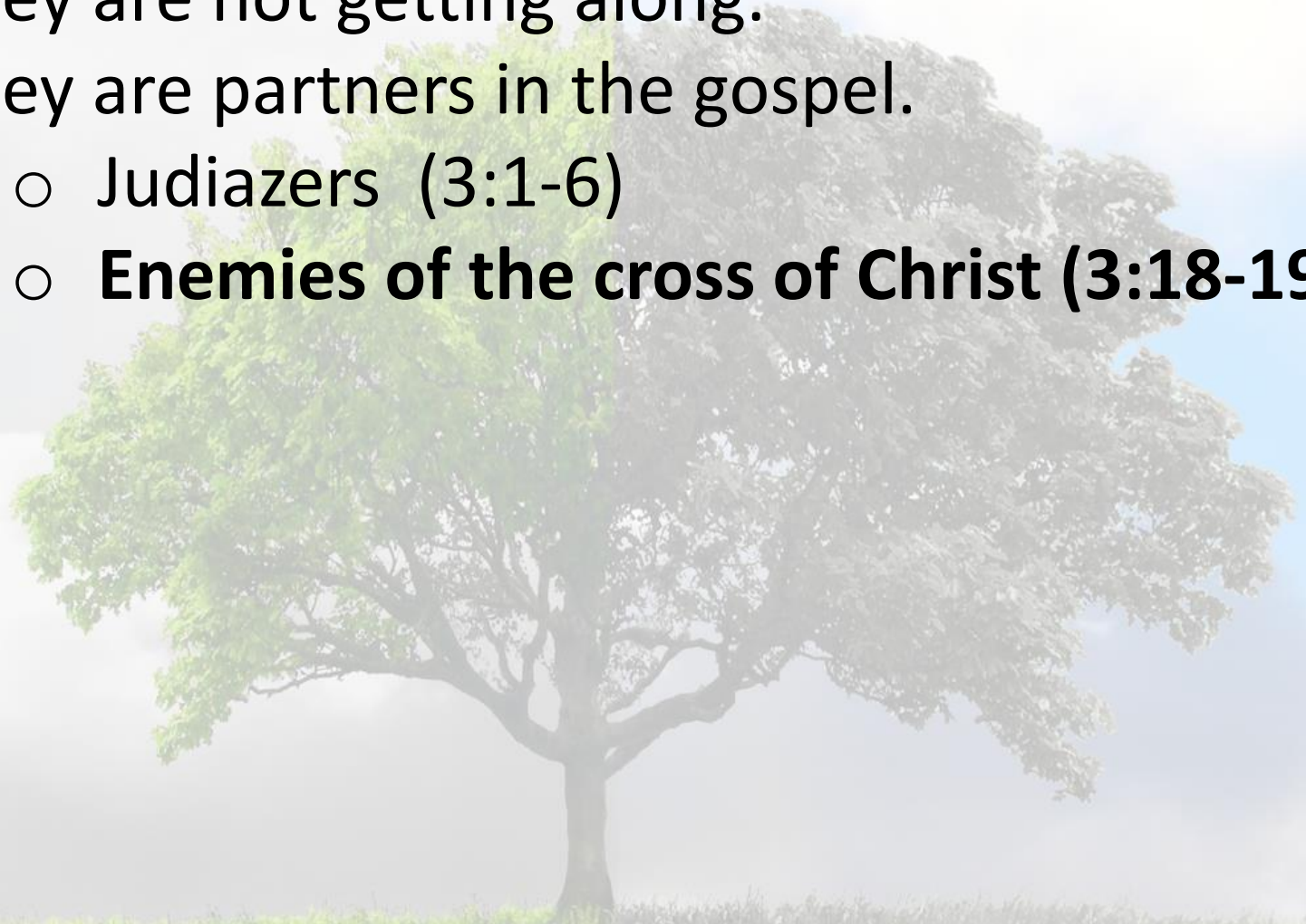
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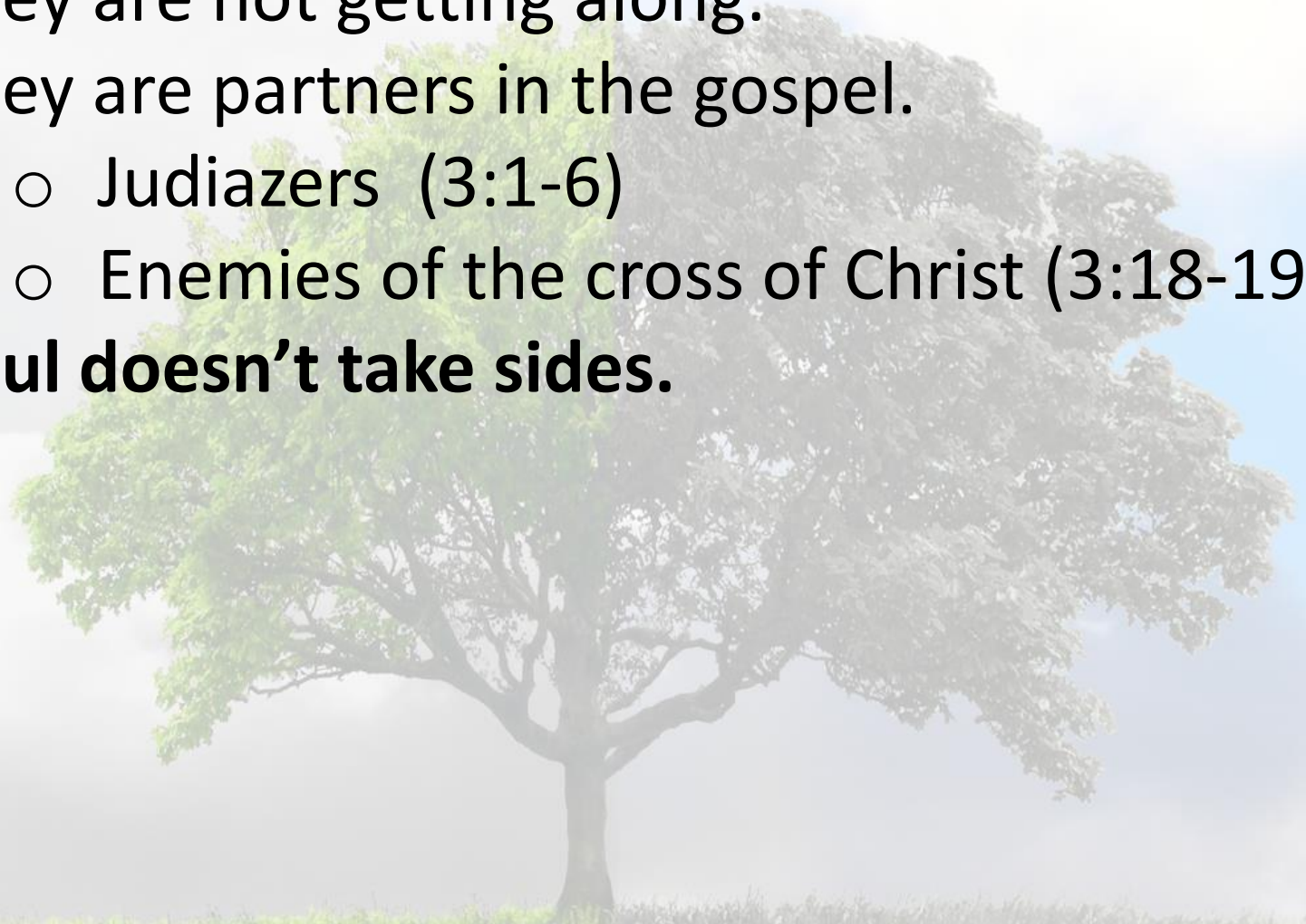
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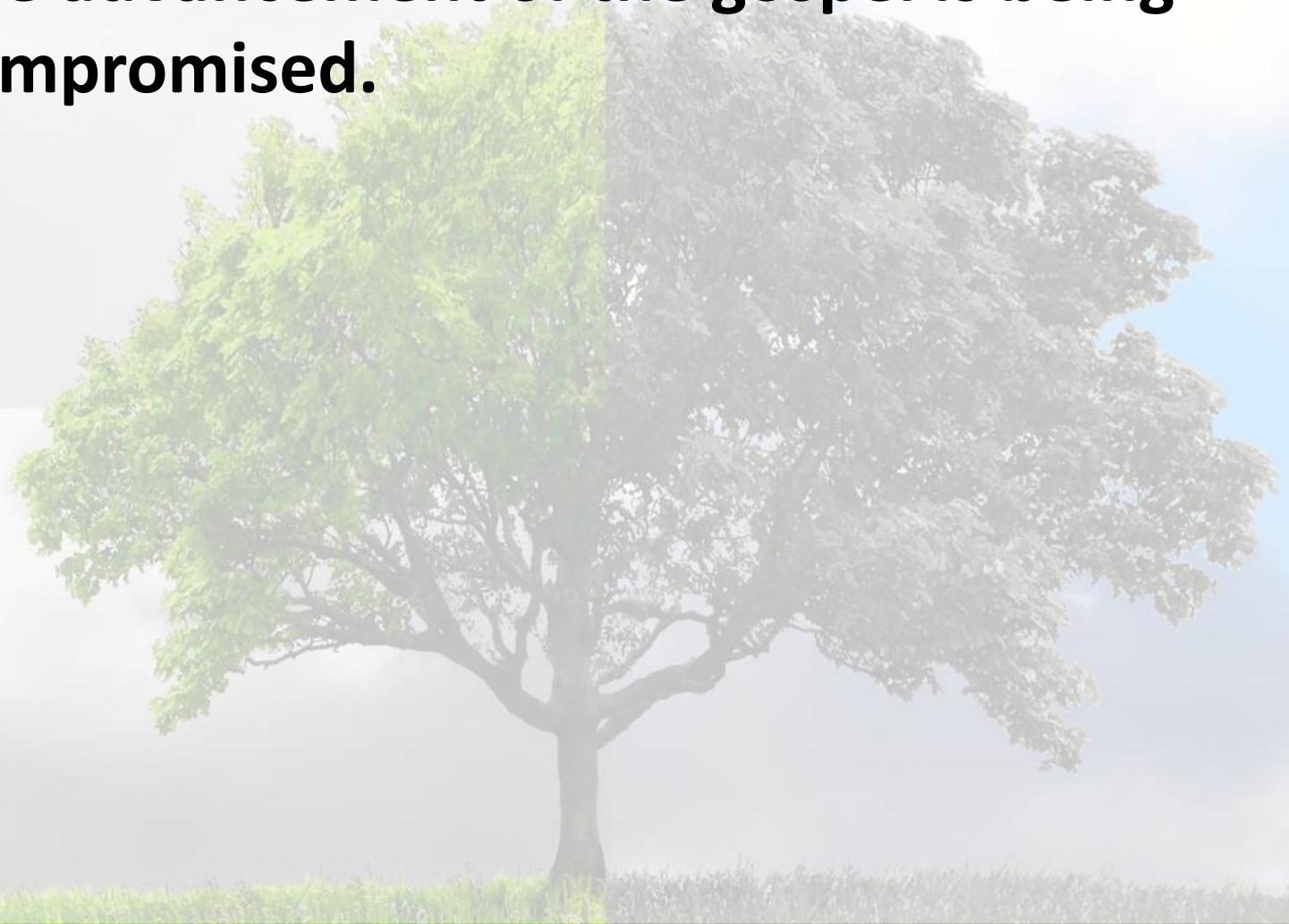


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- The advancement of the gospel is being compromised.



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Advancing the Gospel ← Unity ← Humility



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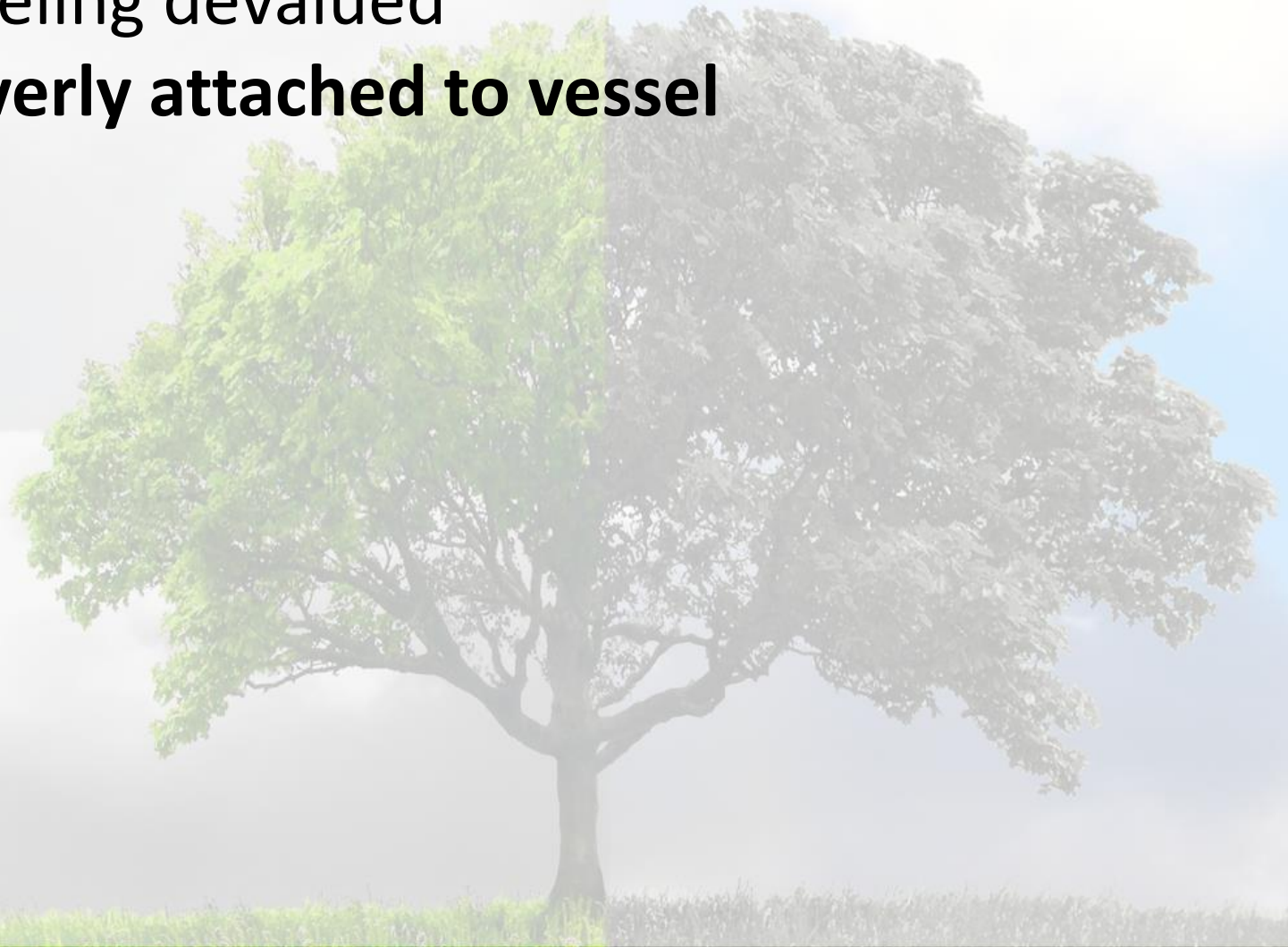
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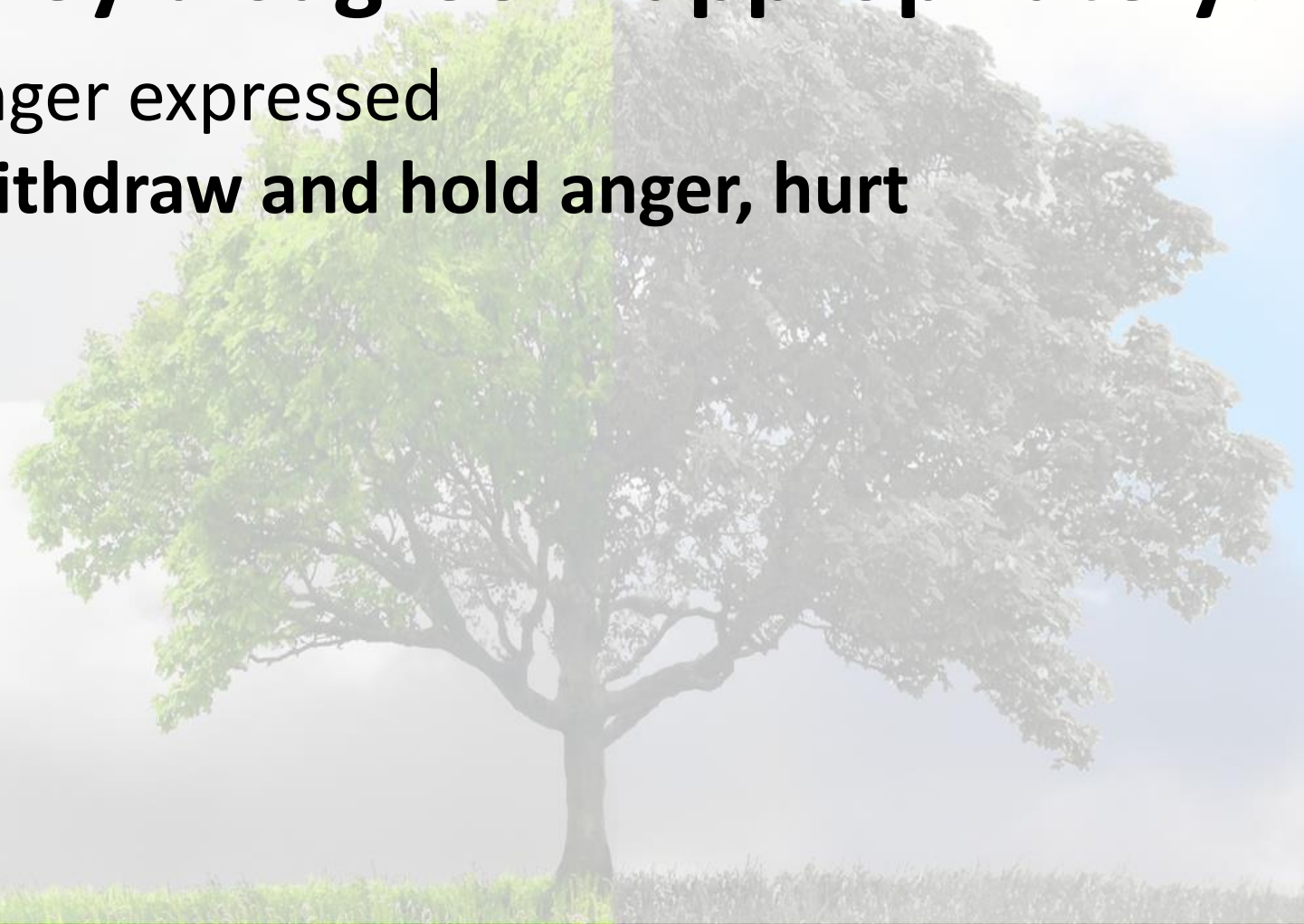
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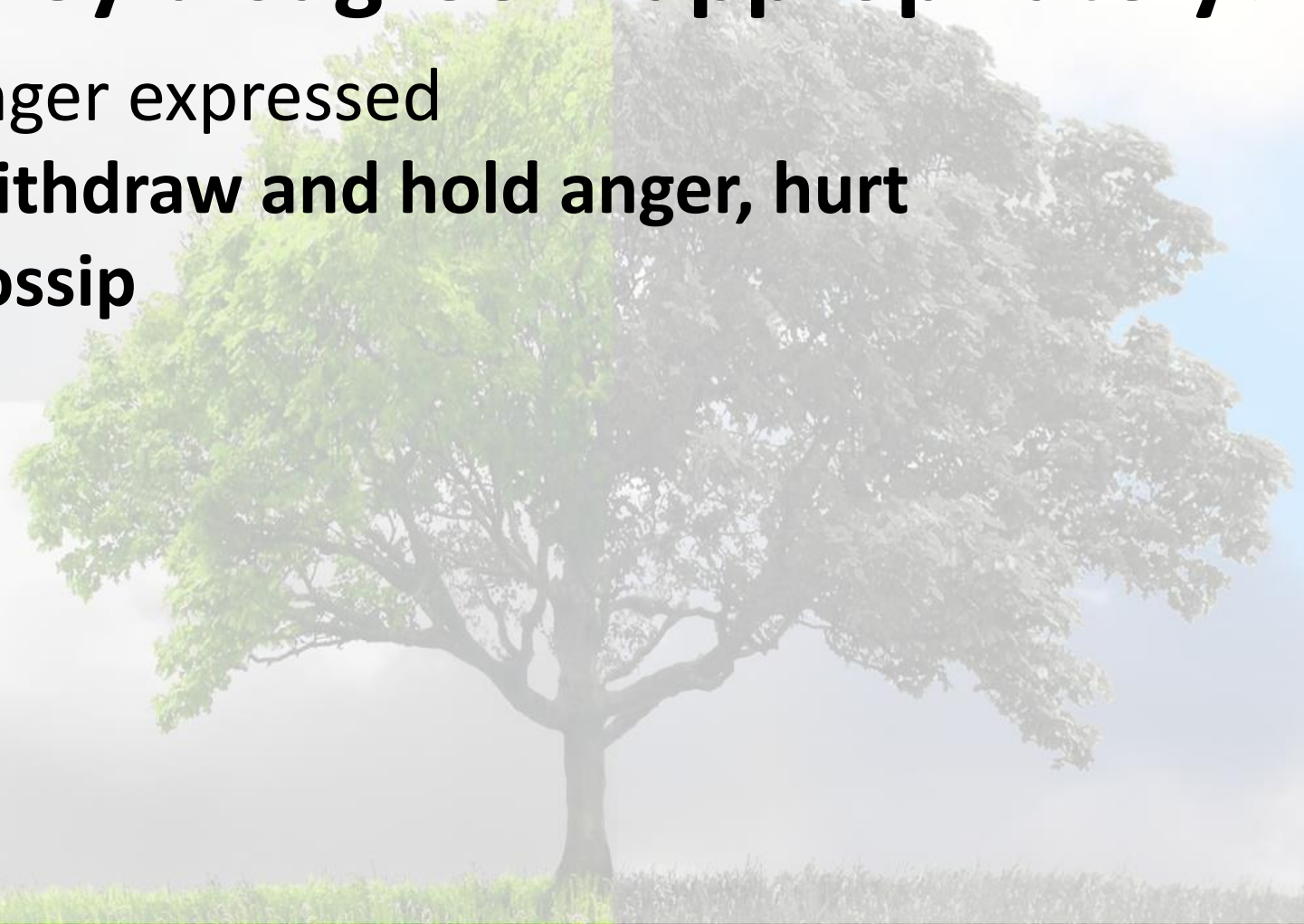
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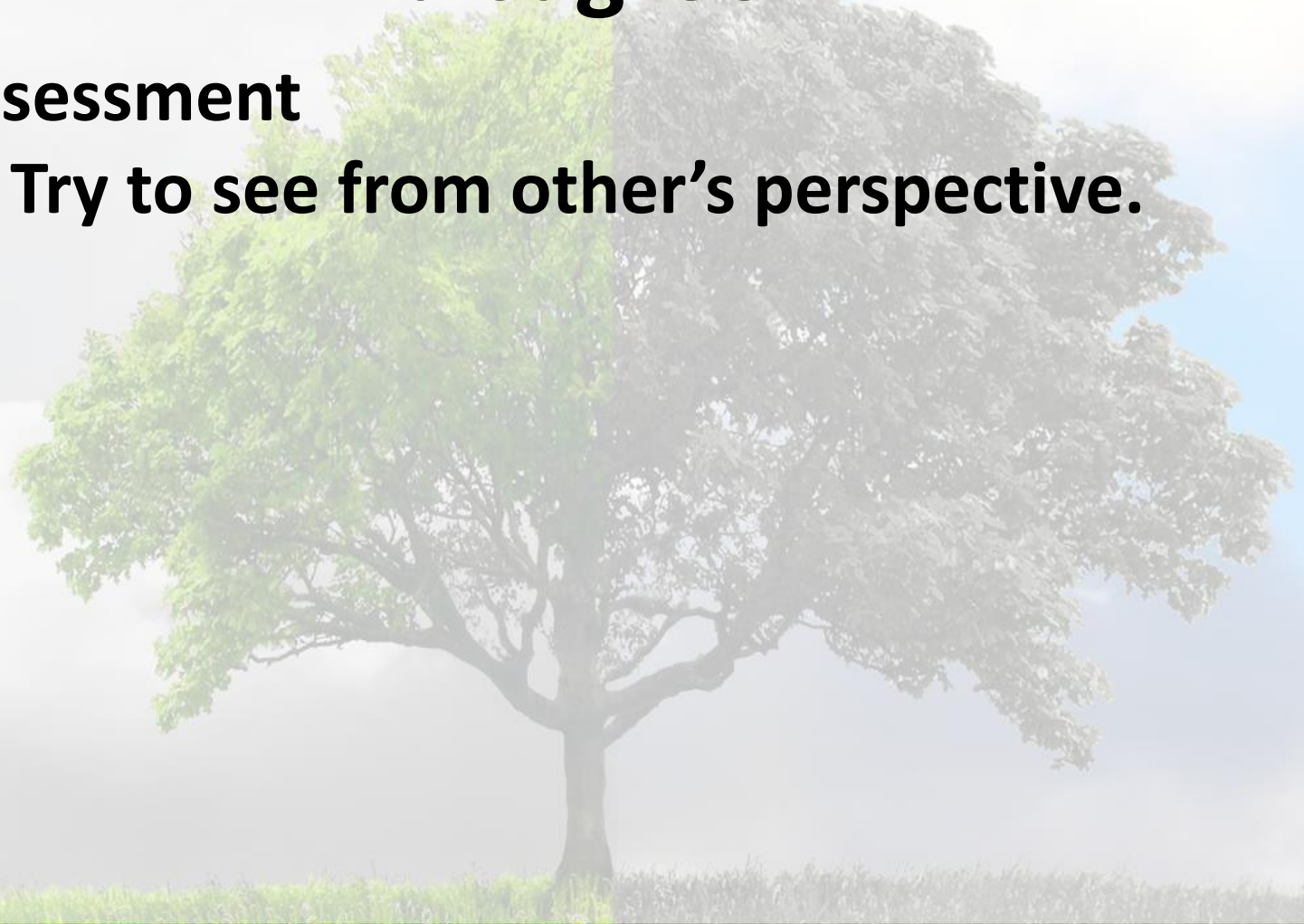
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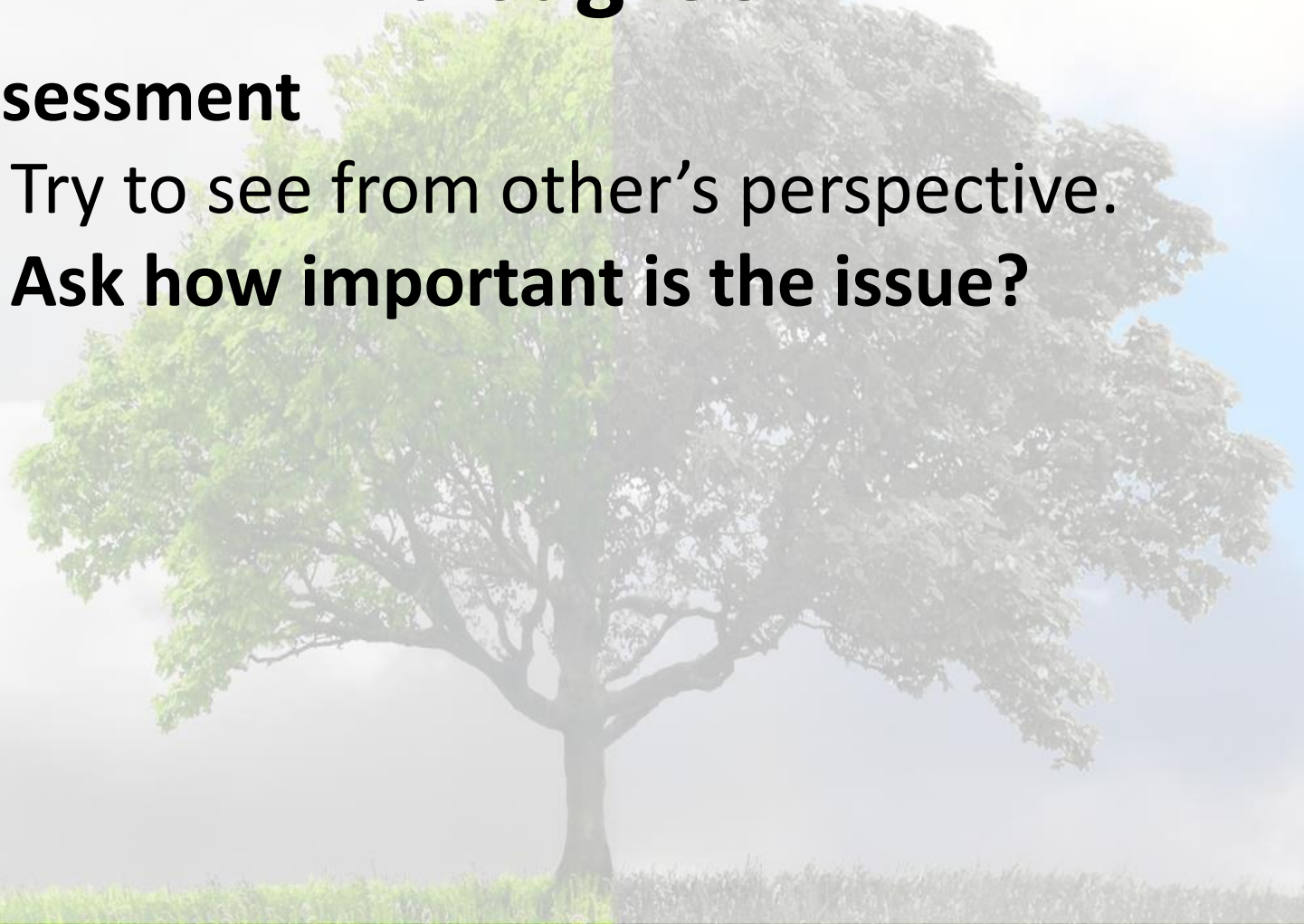
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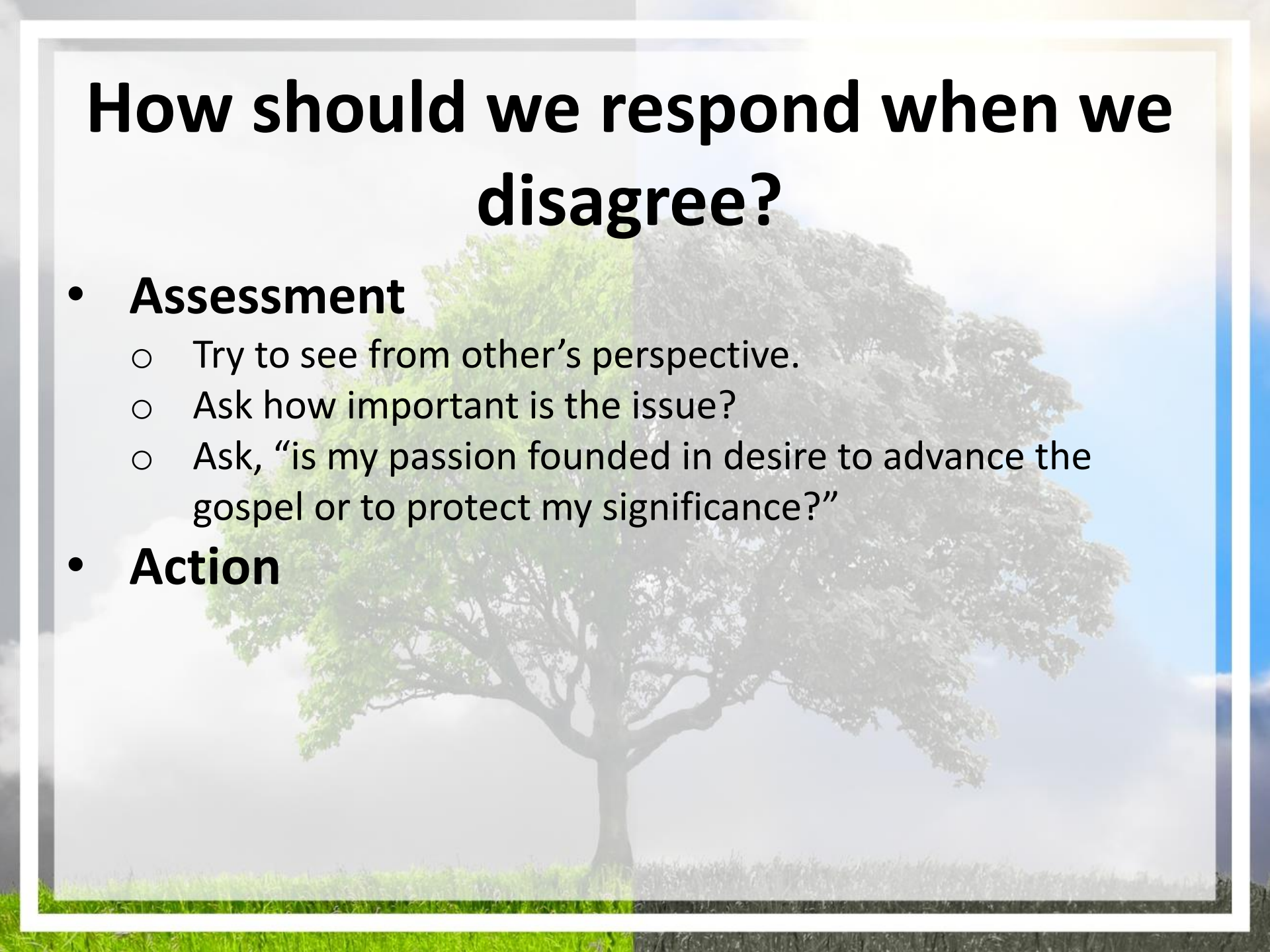
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