

Mark 8:34-38
Growing Pains, Pt. 3





In a crowd, you have some who are serious about Christ
and you have some who are curious about Christ.



Rom 10:9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

Mat 8:18 Now when Jesus saw great multitudes about him, he gave commandment to depart unto the other side. **19** And a certain scribe came, and said unto him, Master, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest. **20** And Jesus saith unto him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air *have* nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay *his* head.



Mat 8:21 And another of his disciples said unto him, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father. **22** But Jesus said unto him, **Follow me; and let the dead bury their dead.**



A person's hands are visible holding a large white rectangular sign with the word "NO" written in large, bold, black capital letters. The person is wearing a dark green long-sleeved shirt. The background is a plain, light-colored surface.

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II. RESONATING Lessons.

III. REMEDIAL Lessons.

IV. REFOCUSING Lessons.

V. REBUKING Lessons.

VI. REJECTION Lessons

Spiritual growth is impossible without self-confrontation and self-rejection.



Sin is ALWAYS a deliberate choice.



Discipleship
is a very
expensive
way of life.

If we are not
willing to deny
ourselves, it is
only because
we love
ourselves more
than we love
Jesus.



Luke 14:26 If any
man come to me,
and hate not his
father, and mother,
and wife, and
children, and
brethren, and sisters,
yea, and his own life
also, he cannot be
my disciple.

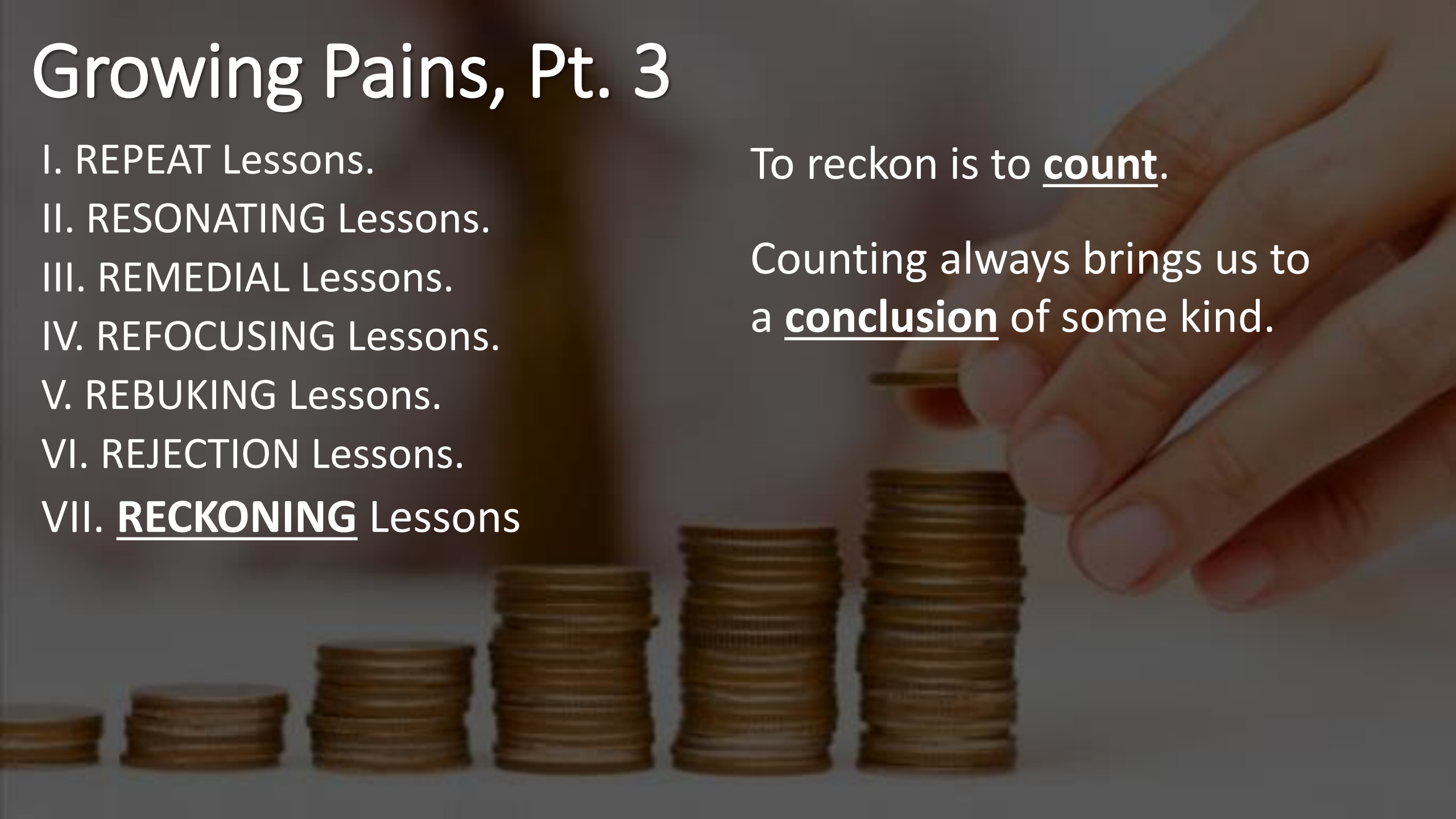


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To reckon is to count.

Counting always brings us to a conclusion of some kind.



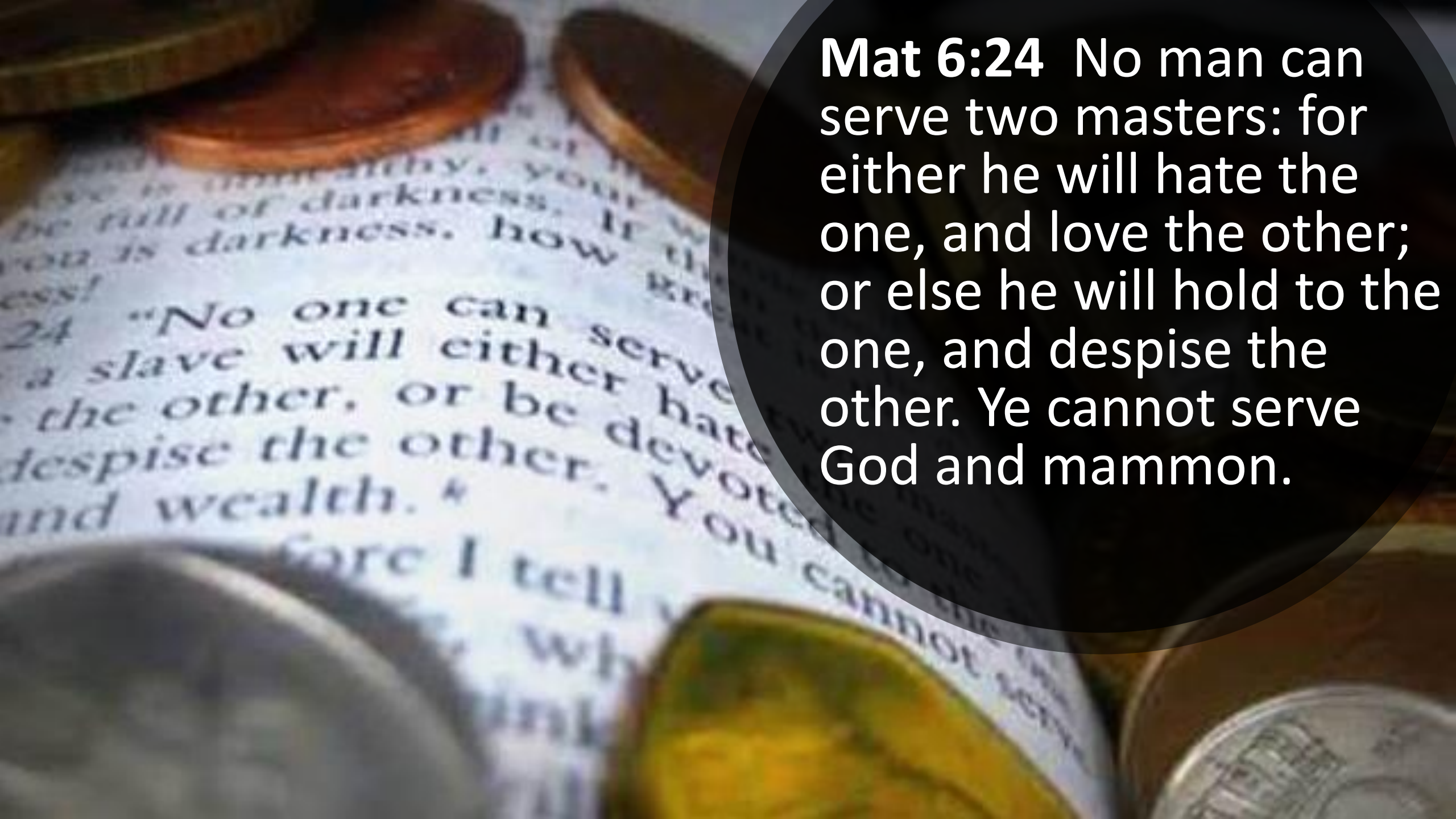
Acts 20:24 But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.

Rom 8:18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time *are* not worthy *to be compared* with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

Php 3:8 Yea doubtless, and I count all things *but* loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them *but* dung, that I may win Christ,



Sadly, lost people consider the gospel and the things this world has to offer, and conclude, that the exchange of life that Jesus offers, is not worth it.

The background of the image is a close-up of an open Bible. The pages are slightly aged and show some wear. Scattered around the Bible are several coins of various denominations, including what appear to be US quarters and pennies. The coins are in sharp focus in the foreground, while the Bible pages are slightly blurred. A large, dark, semi-transparent circle is overlaid on the right side of the image, containing the text.

Mat 6:24 No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.