DAVID PRAISED THE LORD IN THE PRESENCE OF THE WHOLE ASSEMBLY, SAYING, "PRAISE BE TO YOU, LORD, THE GOD OF OUR FATHER ISRAEL, FROM EVERLASTING TO EVERLASTING. YOURS, LORD, IS THE GREATNESS AND THE POWER AND THE GLORY AND THE MAJESTY AND THE SPLENDOR, FOR EVERYTHING IN HEAVEN AND EARTH IS YOURS, YOURS, LORD, IS THE KINGDOM; YOU ARE EXALTED AS HEAD OVER ALL.

WEALTH AND HONOR COME FROM YOU; YOU ARE THE RULER OF ALL THINGS. IN YOUR HANDS ARE STRENGTH AND POWER TO EXALT AND GIVE STRENGTH TO ALL. NOW, OUR GOD, WE GIVE YOU THANKS, AND PRAISE YOUR GLORIOUS NAME. "BUT WHO AM I, AND WHO ARE MY PEOPLE, THAT WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO GIVE AS GENEROUSLY AS THIS?

EVERYTHING COMES FROM YOU, AND WE HAVE GIVEN YOU ONLY WHAT COMES FROM YOUR HAND. WE ARE FOREIGNERS AND STRANGERS IN YOUR SIGHT, AS WERE ALL OUR ANCESTORS. OUR DAYS ON EARTH ARE LIKE A SHADOW, WITHOUT HOPE. LORD OUR GOD, ALL THIS ABUNDANCE THAT WE HAVE PROVIDED FOR BUILDING YOU A TEMPLE FOR YOUR HOLY NAME COMES FROM YOUR HAND, AND ALL OF IT BELONGS TO YOU.

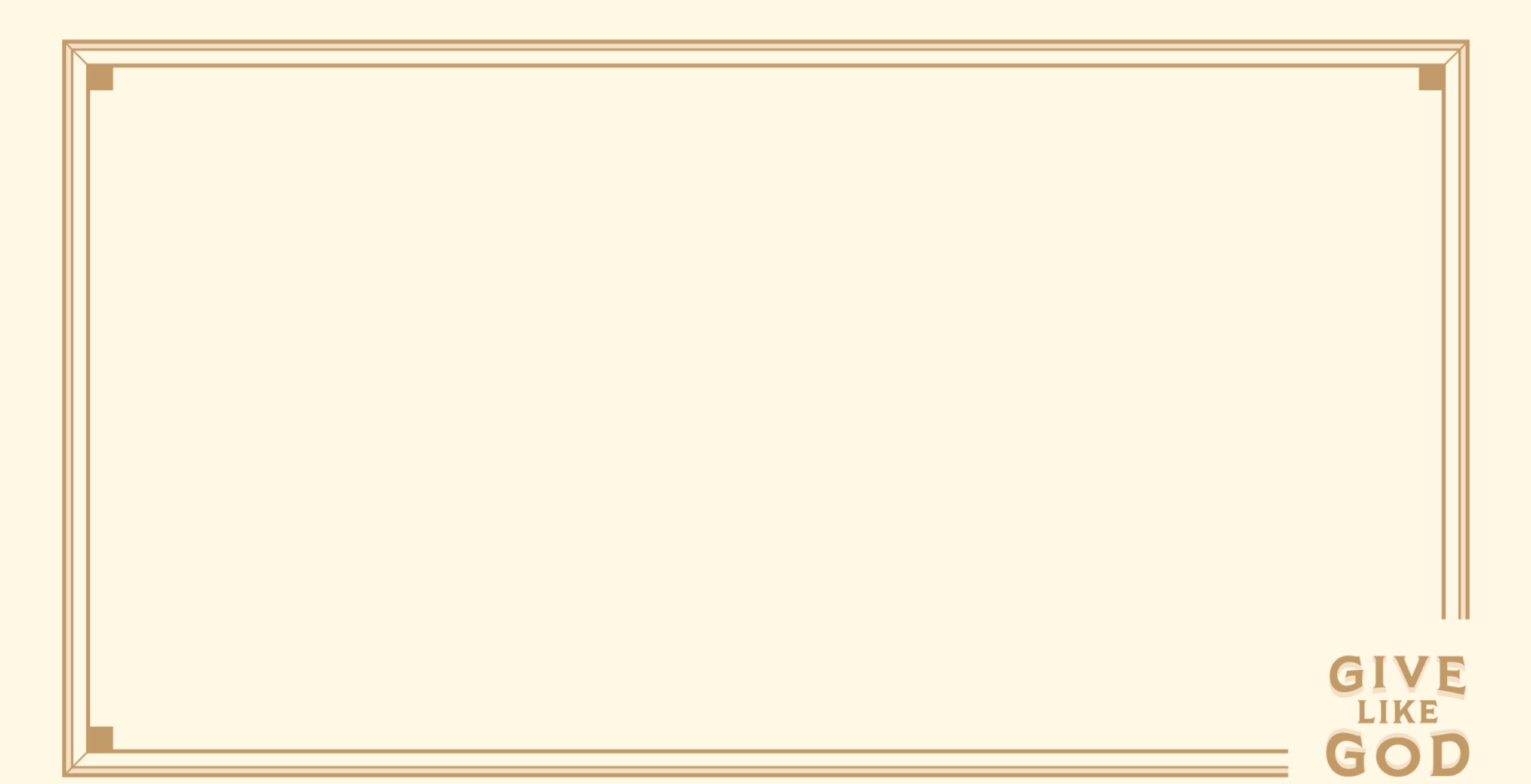
I KNOW, MY GOD, THAT YOU TEST THE HEART AND ARE PLEASED WITH INTEGRITY. ALL THESE THINGS I HAVE GIVEN WILLINGLY AND WITH HONEST INTENT. AND NOW I HAVE SEEN WITH JOY HOW WILLINGLY YOUR PEOPLE WHO ARE HERE HAVE GIVEN TO YOU. LORD, THE GOD OF OUR FATHERS ABRAHAM, ISAAC AND ISRAEL, KEEP THESE DESIRES AND THOUGHTS IN THE HEARTS OF YOUR PEOPLE FOREVER, AND KEEP THEIR HEARTS LOYAL TO YOU.



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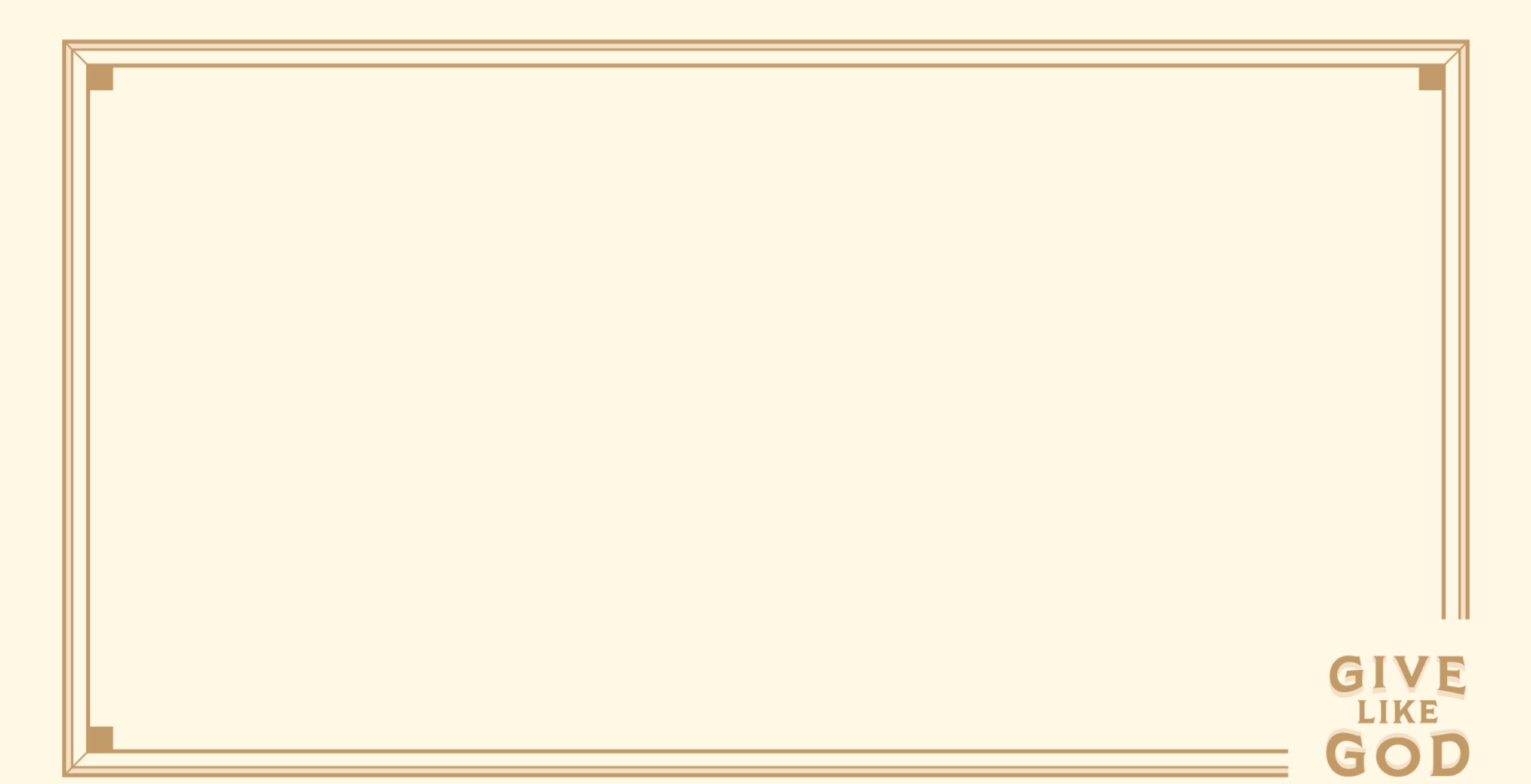




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FOR EVERY BEAST OF THE FOREST IS MINE,
THE CATTLE ON A THOUSAND HILLS. I KNOW
ALL THE BIRDS OF THE HILLS, AND ALL THAT
MOVES IN THE FIELD IS MINE. "IF I WERE
HUNGRY, I WOULD NOT TELL YOU, FOR THE
WORLD AND ITS FULLNESS ARE MINE."

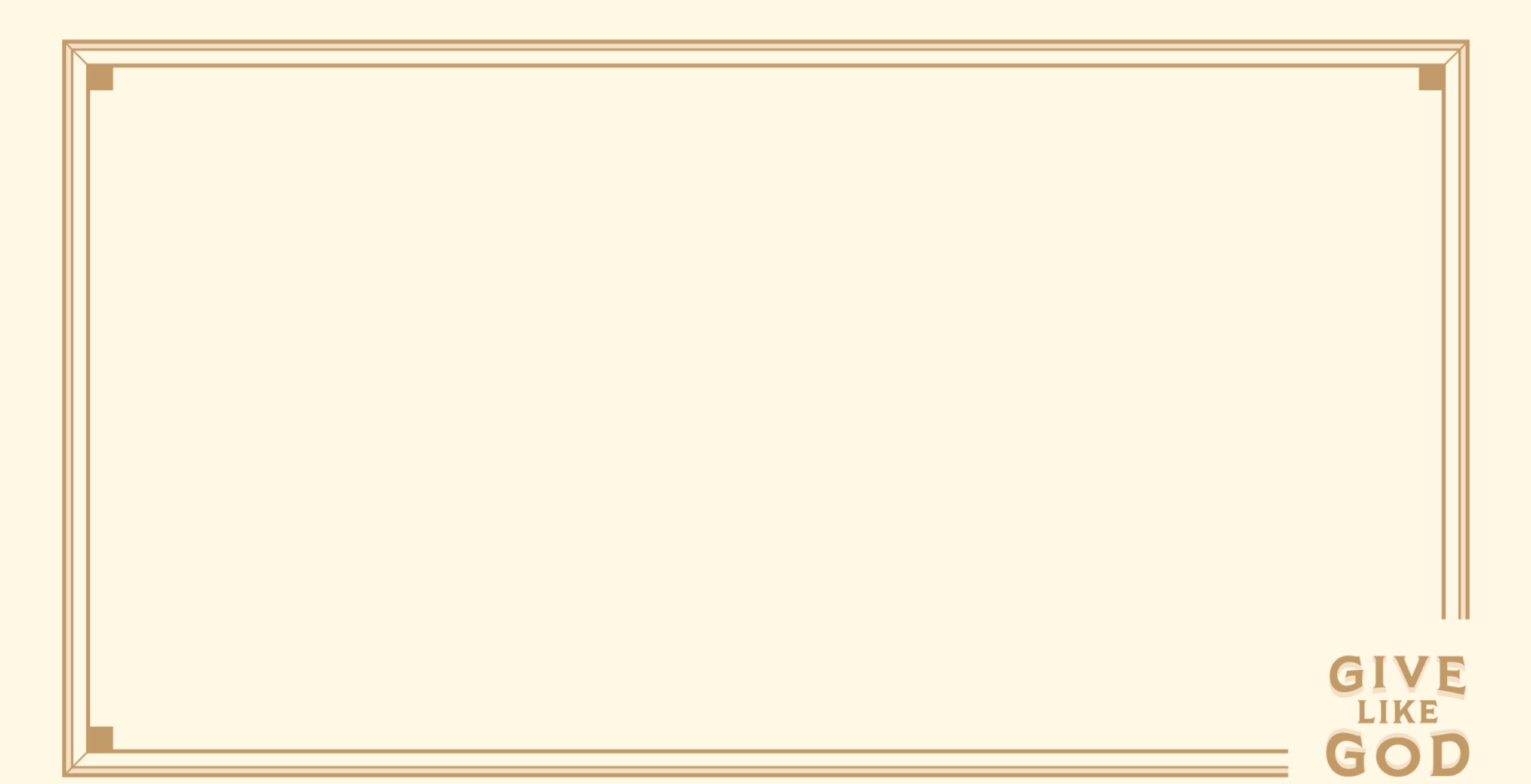
PSALM 50:11–12



IF YOU HAD BEEN BORN ON A MOUNTAINTOP IN TIBET IN THE THIRTEENTH CENTURY, INSTEAD OF A WESTERN COUNTRY IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY, THEN NO MATTER HOW HARD YOU WORKED, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE HAD MUCH TO SHOW FOR IT.

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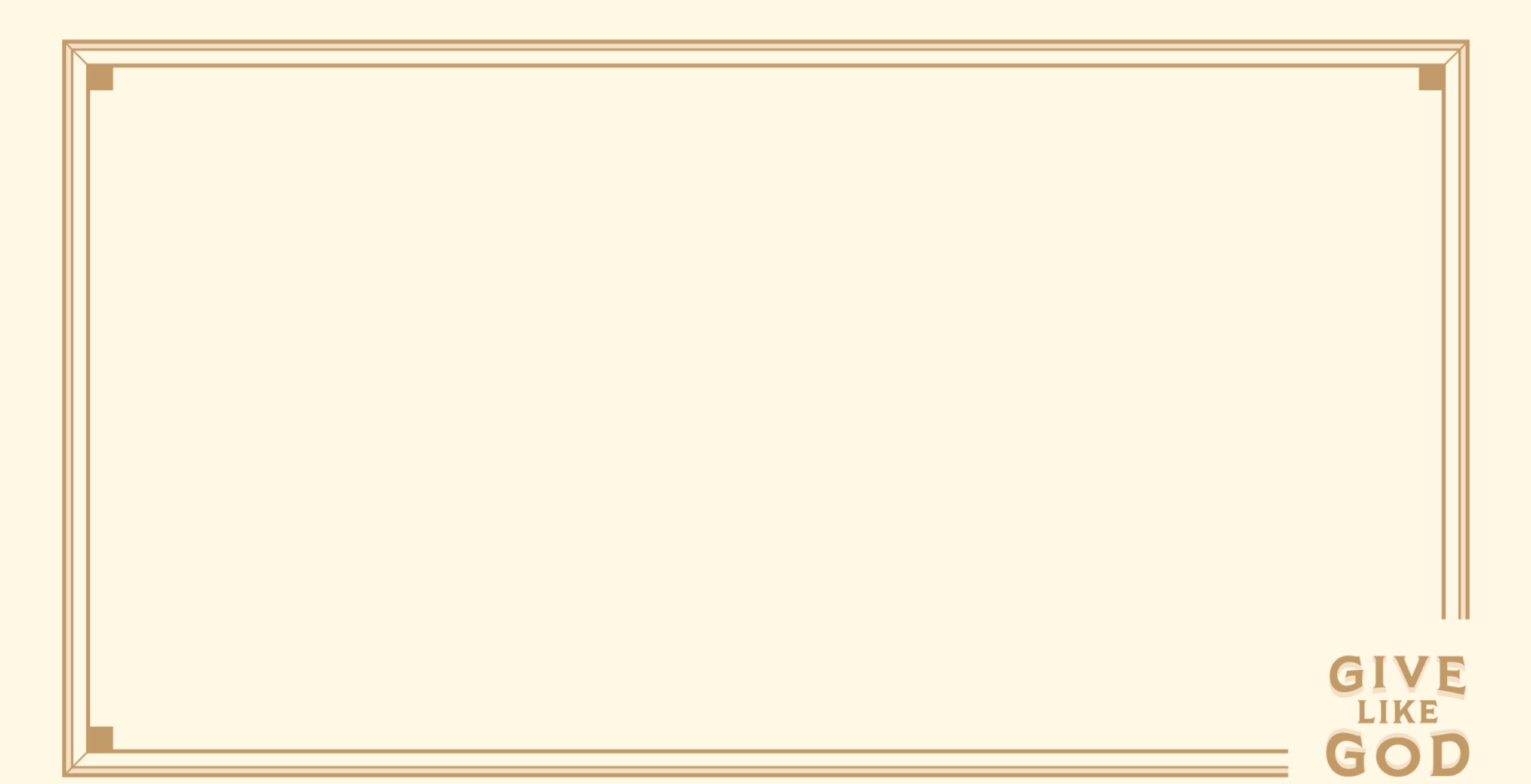




IF YOU HAVE MONEY, POWER, AND STATUS TODAY, IT IS DUE TO THE CENTURY AND PLACE IN WHICH YOU WERE BORN, TO YOUR TALENTS AND CAPACITIES AND HEALTH, NONE OF WHICH YOU EARNED. IN SHORT, ALL YOUR RESOURCES ARE IN THE END THE GIFT OF GOD.

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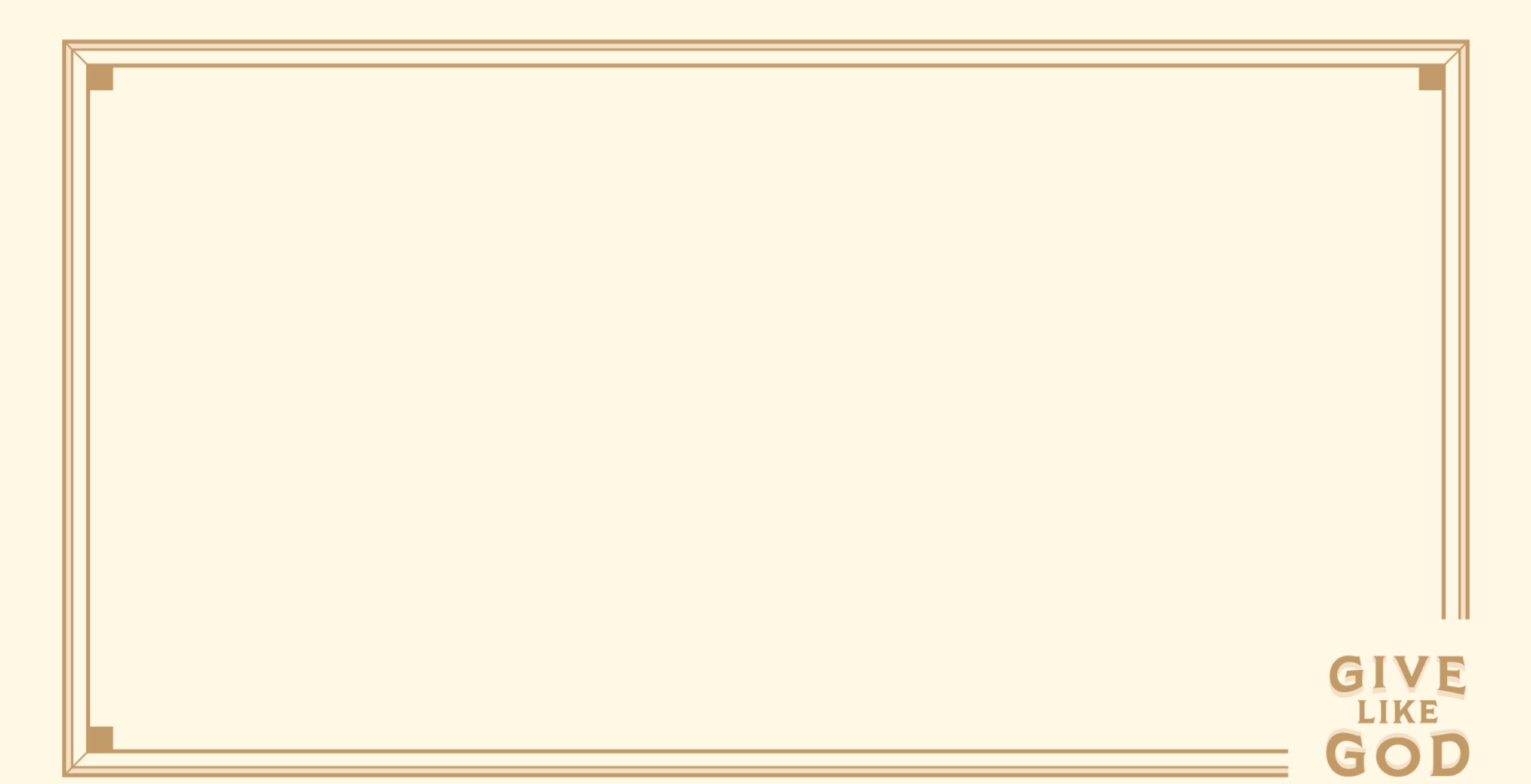




ALL THE BELIEVERS WERE ONE IN HEART AND MIND. **NO ONE CLAIMED THAT ANY OF THEIR POSSESSIONS WAS THEIR OWN**, BUT THEY **SHARED** EVERYTHING THEY HAD.

ACTS 4:32-35





WITH GREAT POWER THE APOSTLES
CONTINUED TO TESTIFY TO THE
RESURRECTION OF THE LORD JESUS. AND
GOD'S GRACE WAS SO POWERFULLY AT
WORK IN THEM ALL THAT THERE WERE NO
NEEDY PERSONS AMONG THEM.

ACTS 4:32-35



FOR FROM TIME TO TIME **THOSE WHO**OWNED LAND OR HOUSES SOLD THEM,

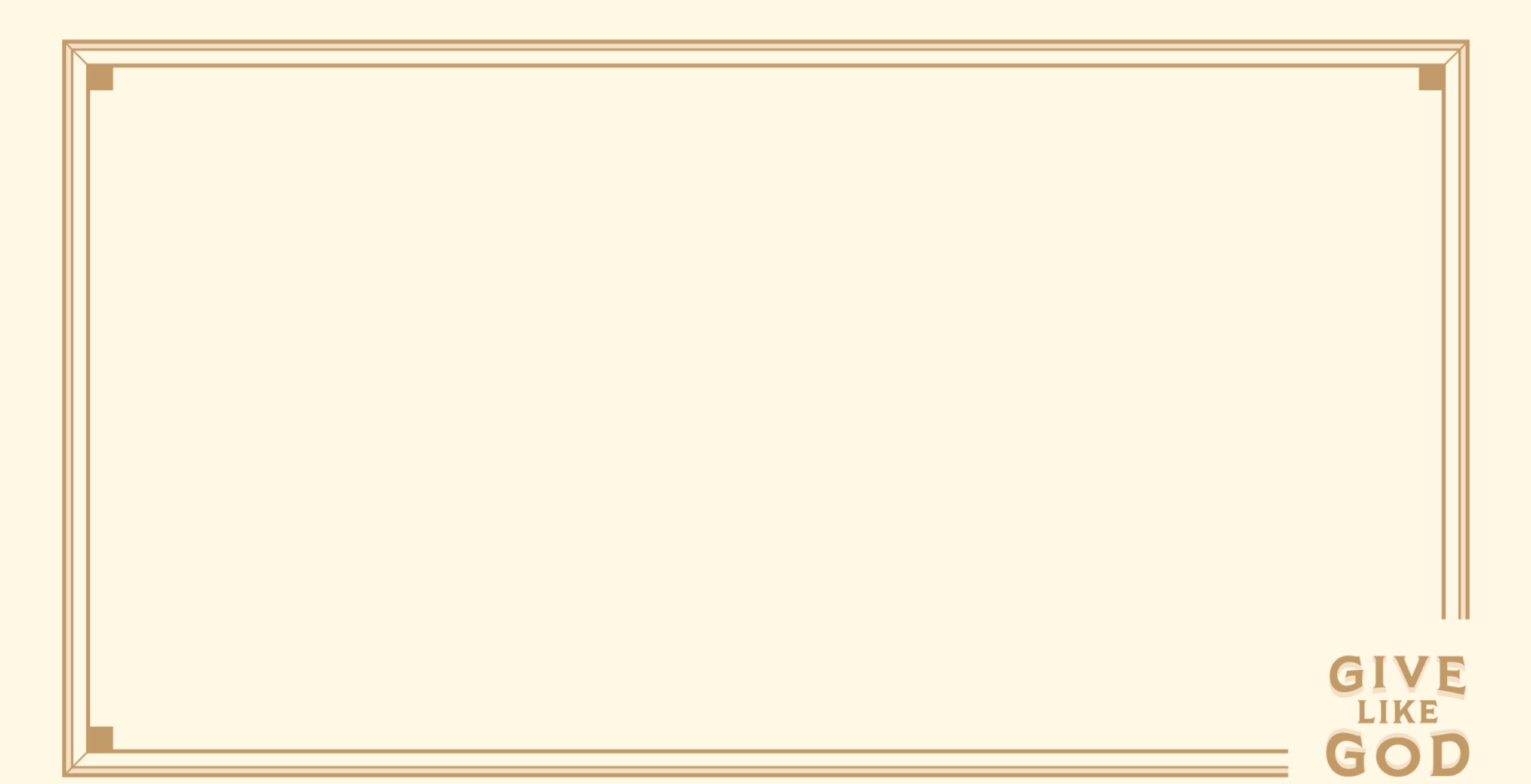
BROUGHT THE MONEY FROM THE SALES AND

PUT IT AT THE APOSTLES' FEET, AND IT WAS

DISTRIBUTED TO ANYONE WHO HAD NEED.

ACTS 4:32-35





TEST THE SINCERITY OF YOUR LOVE BY COMPARING IT WITH THE EARNESTNESS OF OTHERS.

2 CORINTHIANS 8:8-9



FOR YOU KNOW THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THAT THOUGH HE WAS RICH, YET FOR YOUR SAKE HE BECAME POOR, SO THAT YOU THROUGH HIS POVERTY MIGHT BECOME RICH.

2 CORINTHIANS 8:8-9



