

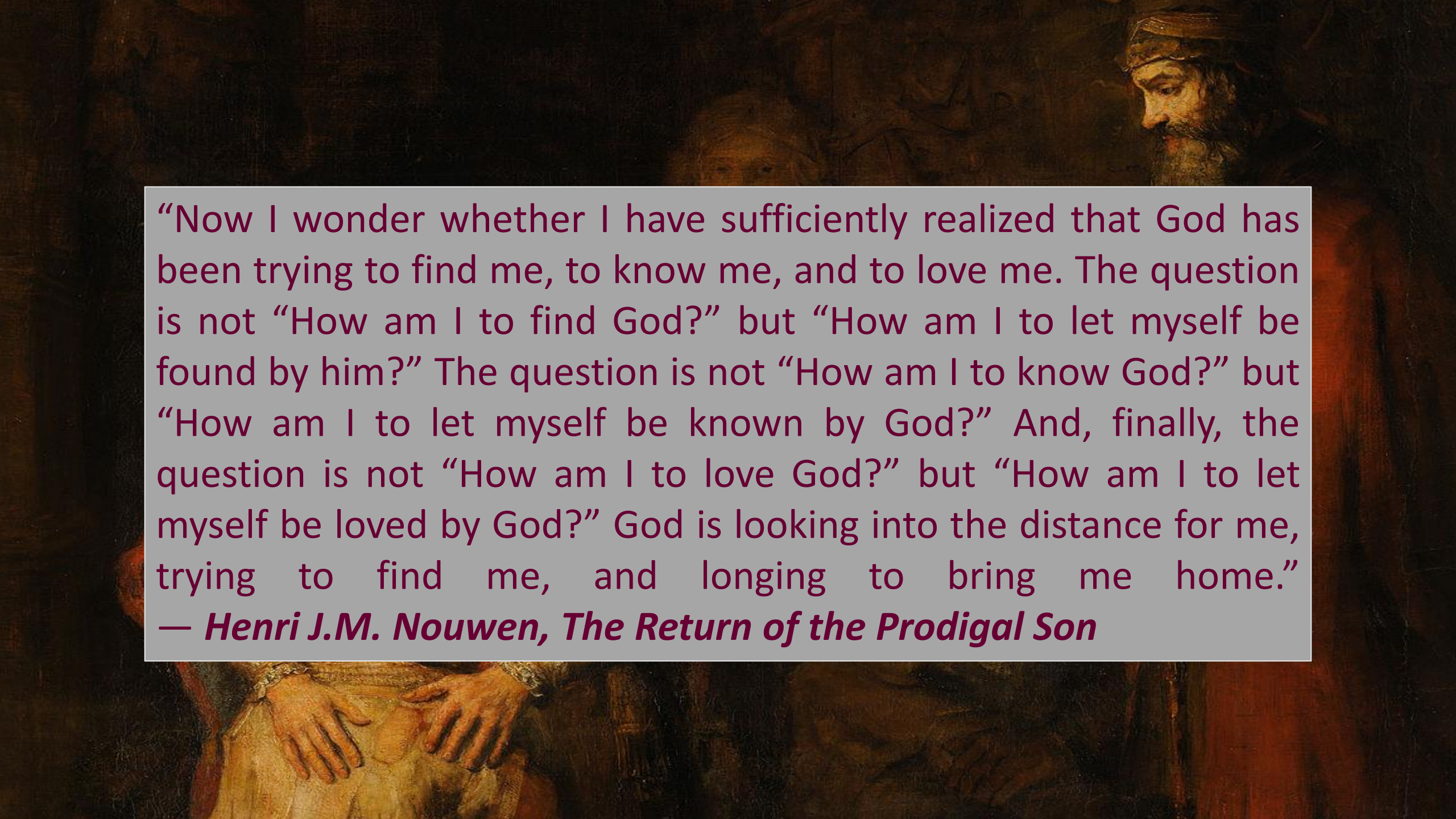


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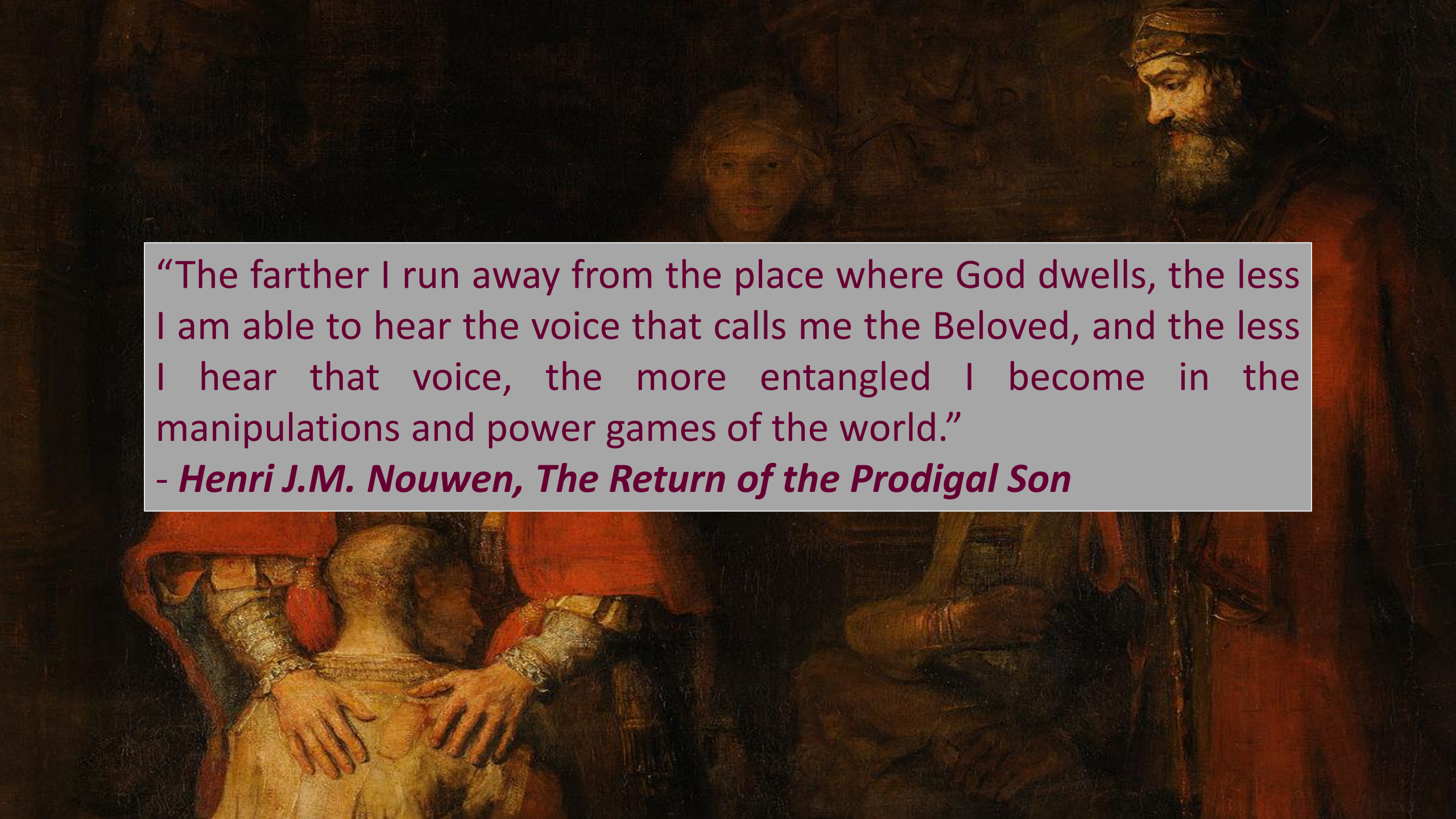
Faith Confirmed
(2) : How do we know God?





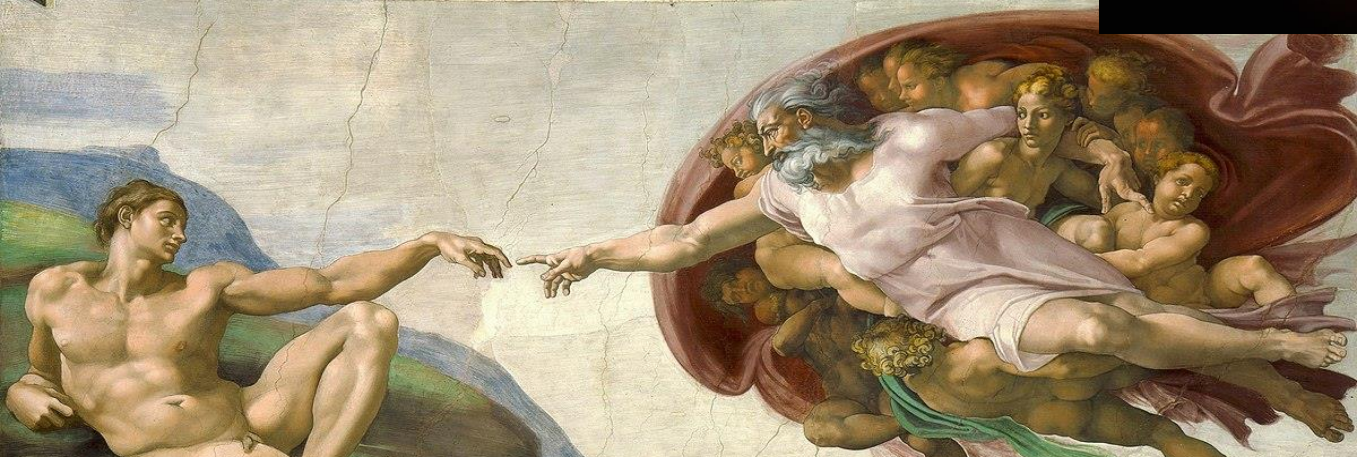
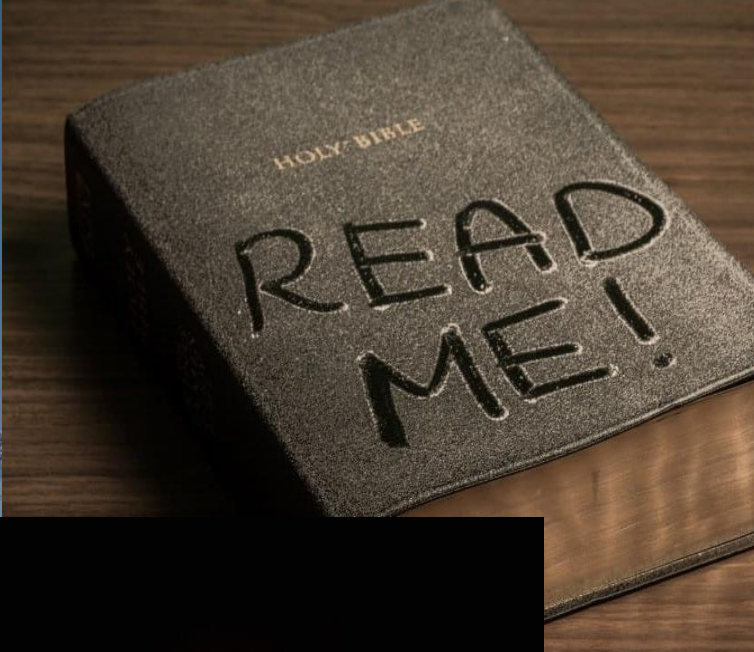
“Now I wonder whether I have sufficiently realized that God has been trying to find me, to know me, and to love me. The question is not “How am I to find God?” but “How am I to let myself be found by him?” The question is not “How am I to know God?” but “How am I to let myself be known by God?” And, finally, the question is not “How am I to love God?” but “How am I to let myself be loved by God?” God is looking into the distance for me, trying to find me, and longing to bring me home.”

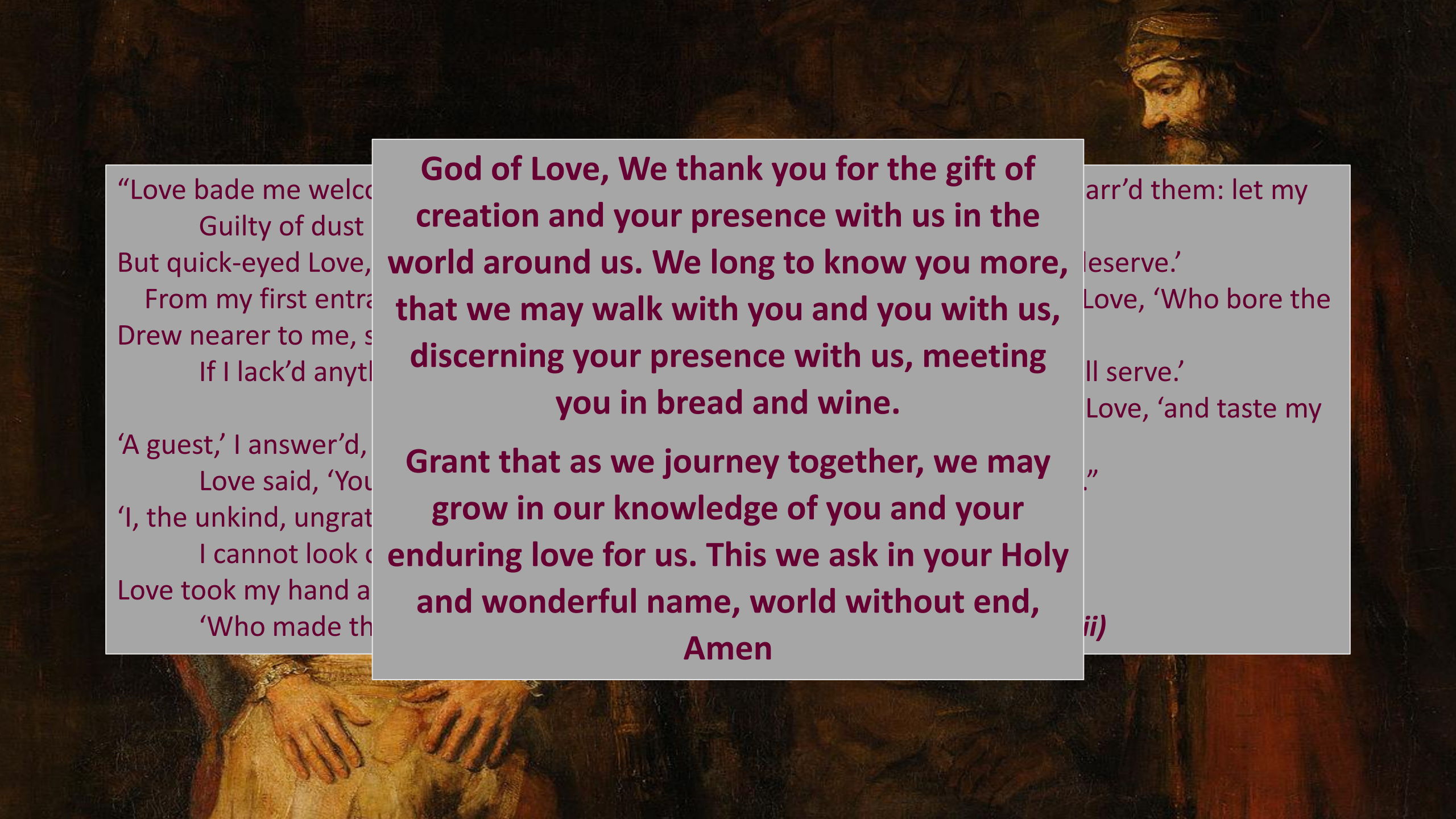
— ***Henri J.M. Nouwen, The Return of the Prodigal Son***



“The farther I run away from the place where God dwells, the less I am able to hear the voice that calls me the Beloved, and the less I hear that voice, the more entangled I become in the manipulations and power games of the world.”

- ***Henri J.M. Nouwen, The Return of the Prodigal Son***





“Love bade me welcome
Guilty of dust and sin;
But quick-eyed Love, that
From my first entrance in,
Drew nearer to me, sweet
Than vision or the heart,
If I lack’d any thing

‘A guest,’ I answer’d,
Love said, ‘You need not go,
‘I, the unkind, ungrateful
I cannot look on thee,
Love took my hand and said,
‘Who made the

**God of Love, We thank you for the gift of
creation and your presence with us in the
world around us. We long to know you more,
that we may walk with you and you with us,
discerning your presence with us, meeting
you in bread and wine.**

**Grant that as we journey together, we may
grow in our knowledge of you and your
enduring love for us. This we ask in your Holy
and wonderful name, world without end,
Amen**

arr’d them: let my
deserve.’
Love, ‘Who bore the
I’ll serve.’
Love, ‘and taste my

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