

Sermon Slides



Thanks-giving and Thanks-living

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“The thing I’m
most grateful for
right now is
elastic waistbands.”

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“I am thankful for
laughter,
except when milk
comes out of my
nose.”

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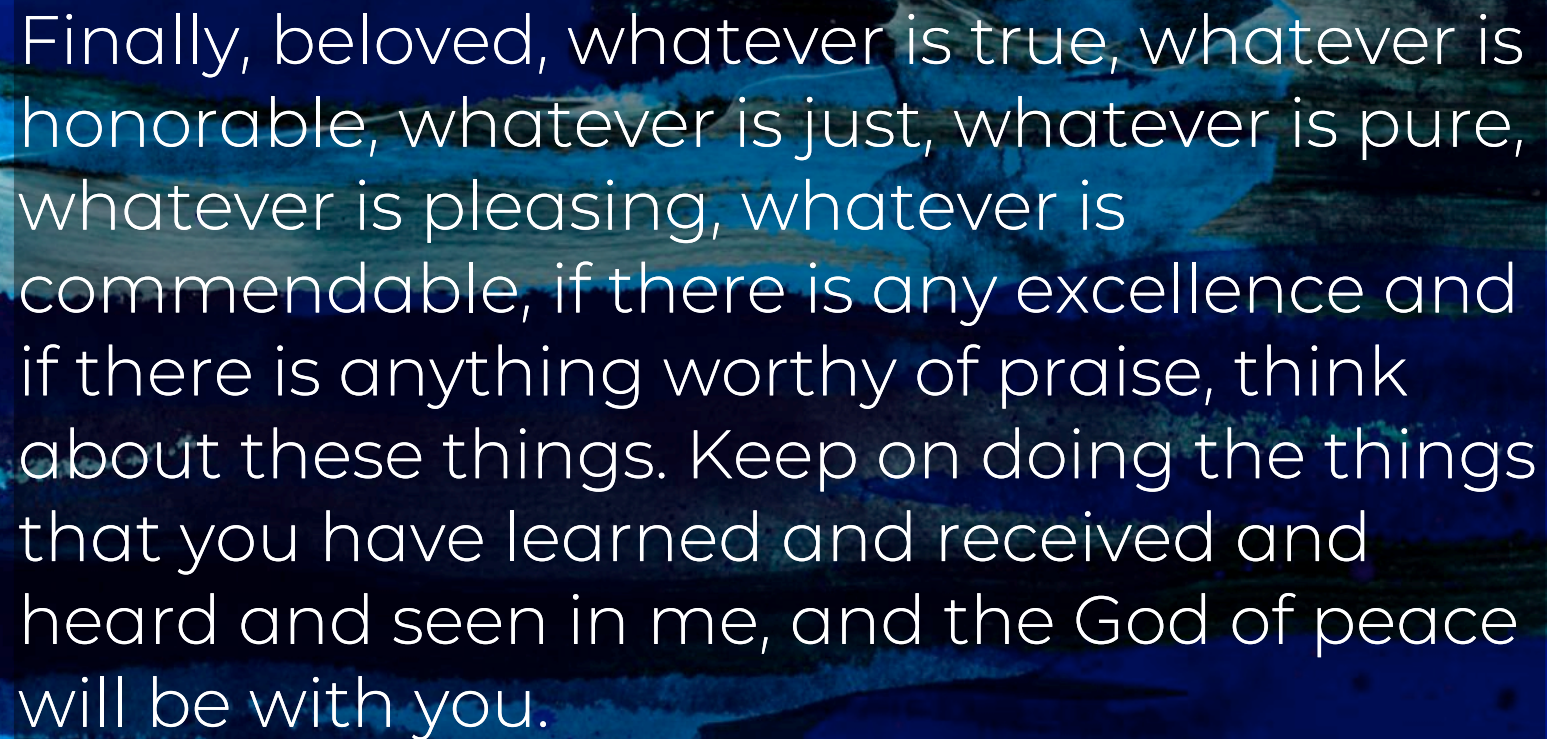
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Philippians 4:4-9

New Revised Standard Version

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.



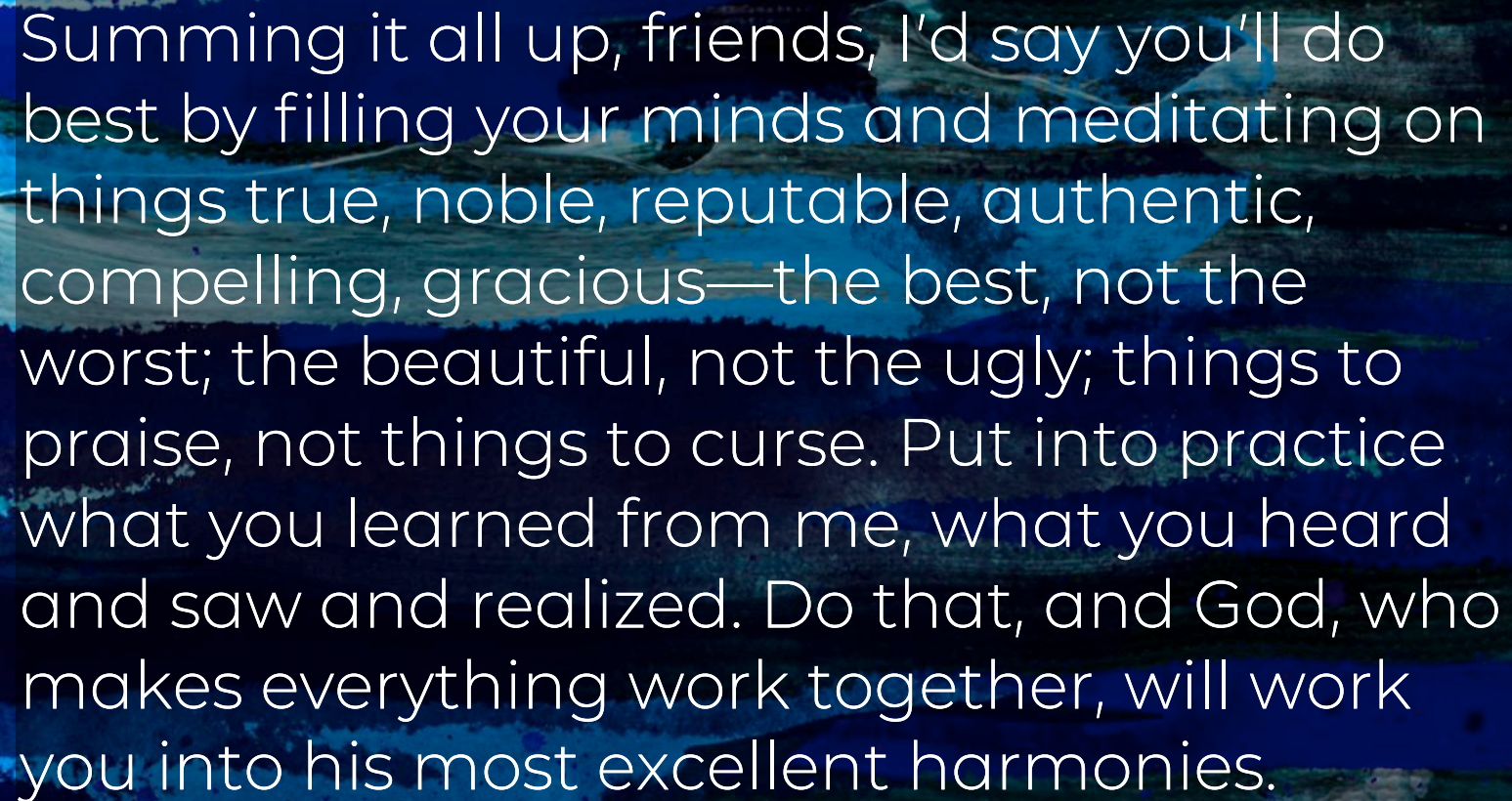
Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.



Philippians 4:4-9

The Message Bible

Celebrate God all day, every day. I mean, revel in him! Make it as clear as you can to all you meet that you're on their side, working with them and not against them. Help them see that the Master is about to arrive. He could show up any minute! Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying, pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns. Before you know it, a sense of God's wholeness, everything coming together for good, will come and settle you down. It's wonderful what happens when Christ displaces worry at the center of your life.




Summing it all up, friends, I'd say you'll do best by filling your minds and meditating on things true, noble, reputable, authentic, compelling, gracious—the best, not the worst; the beautiful, not the ugly; things to praise, not things to curse. Put into practice what you learned from me, what you heard and saw and realized. Do that, and God, who makes everything work together, will work you into his most excellent harmonies.



1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

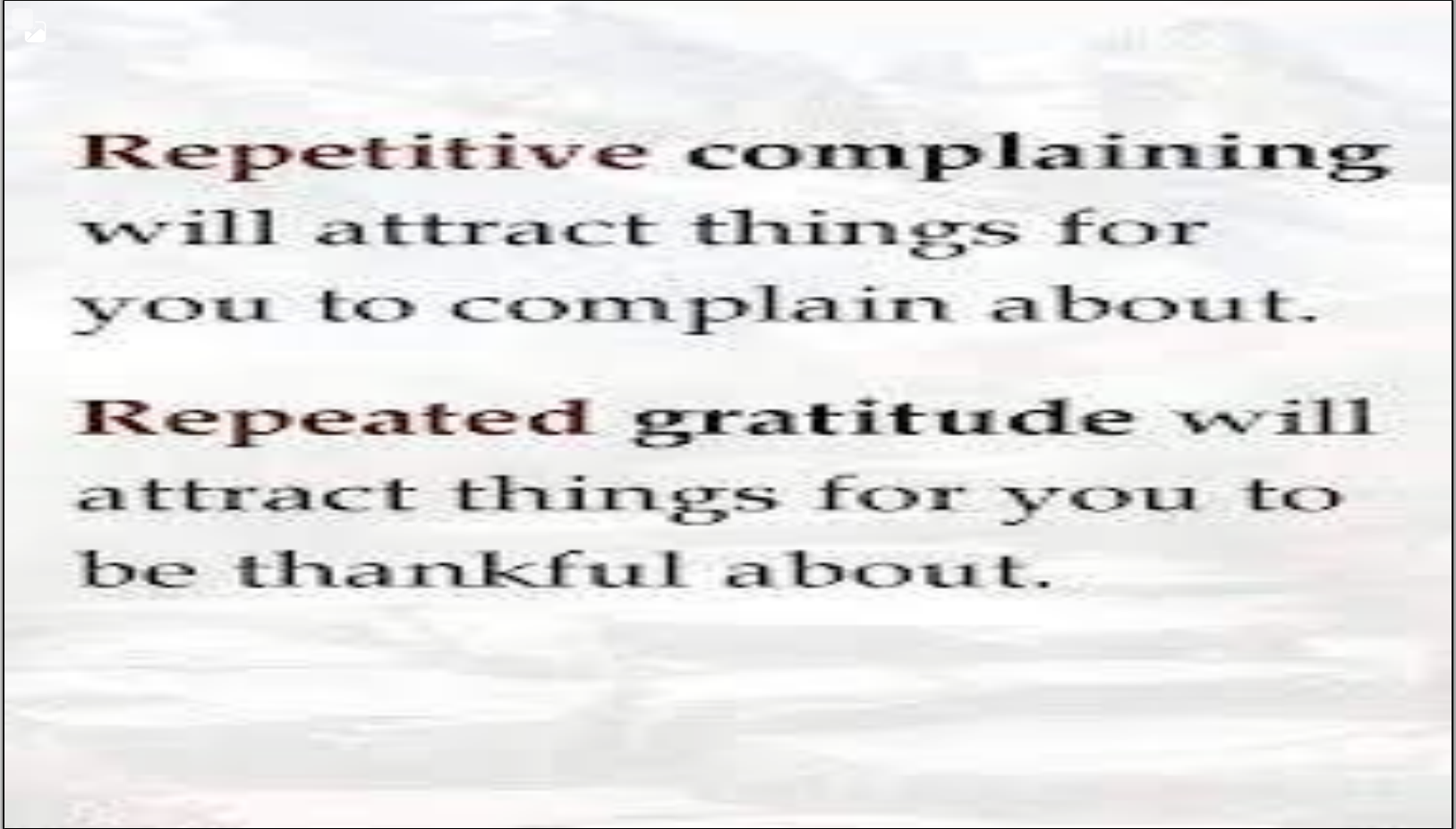
Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.



**To speak gratitude
is courteous and
pleasant, to enact
gratitude is generous
and noble, but to
live gratitude is to
touch Heaven.**

JOHANNES A. GAERTNER

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Repetitive complaining
will attract things for
you to complain about.

Repeated gratitude will
attract things for you to
be thankful about.



"Gratitude is more resilient than the circumstances."

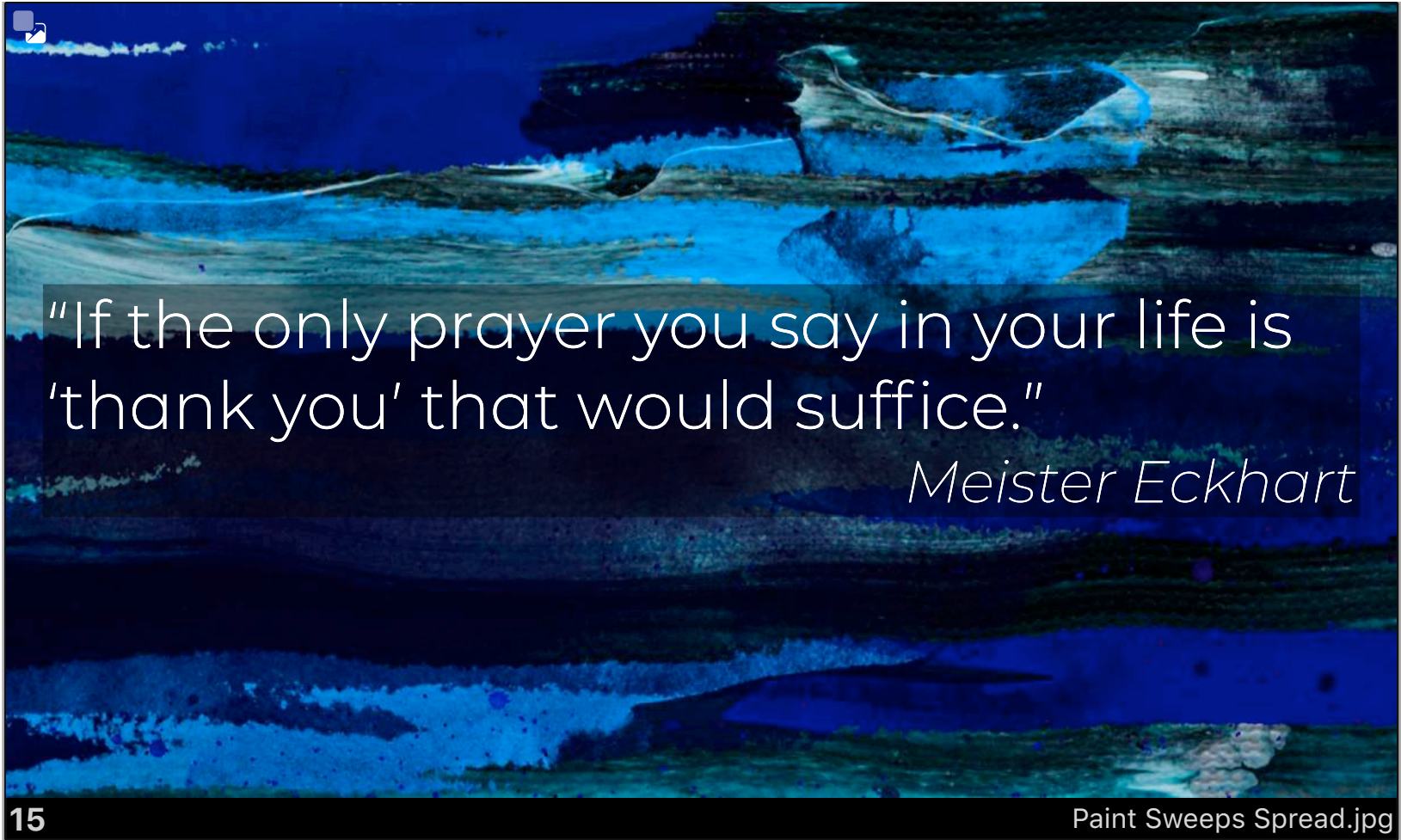
David Steindl-Rast



Gratitude builds resilience in individuals.



Gratitude builds resilience in communities.



"If the only prayer you say in your life is
'thank you' that would suffice."

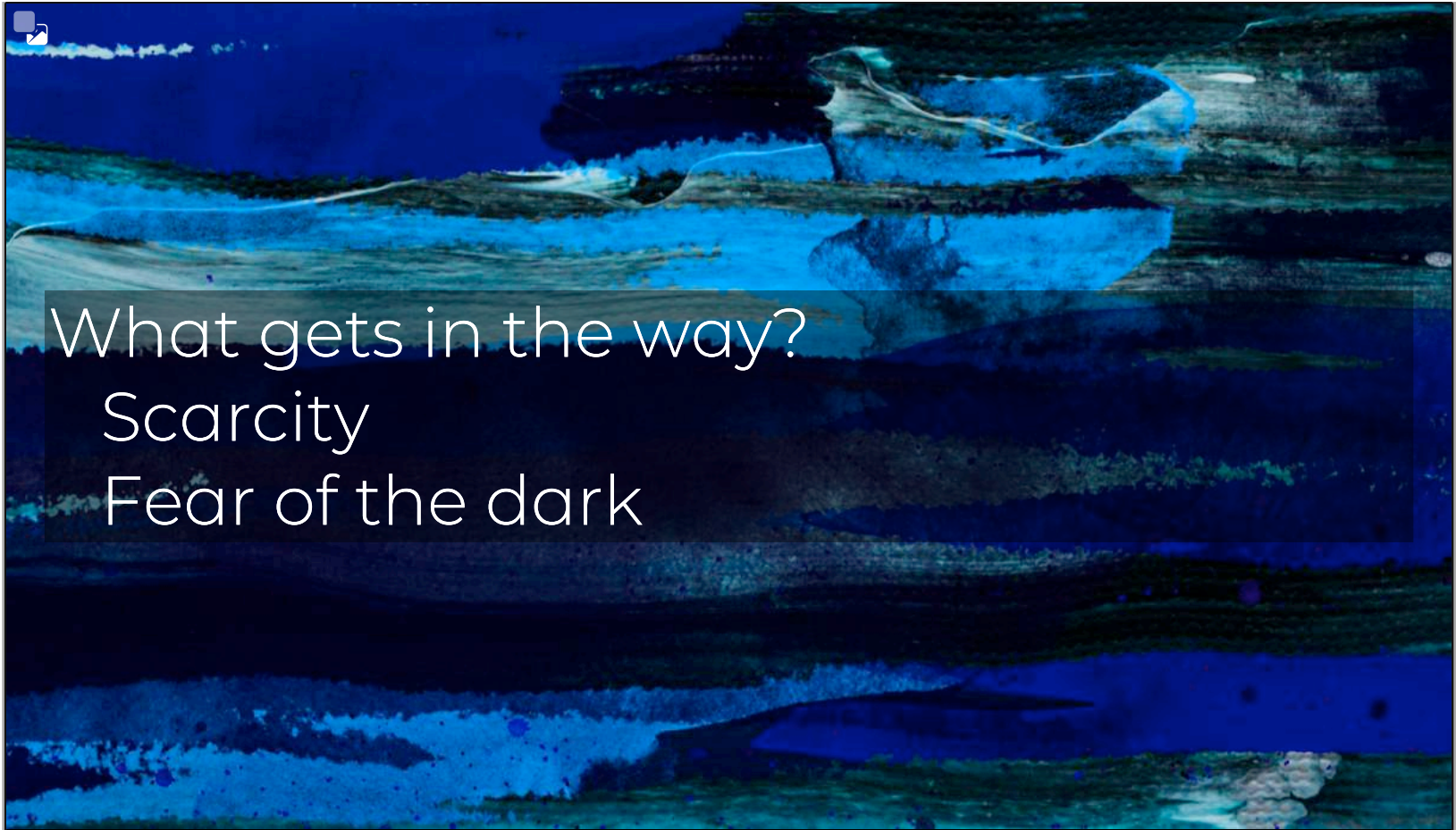
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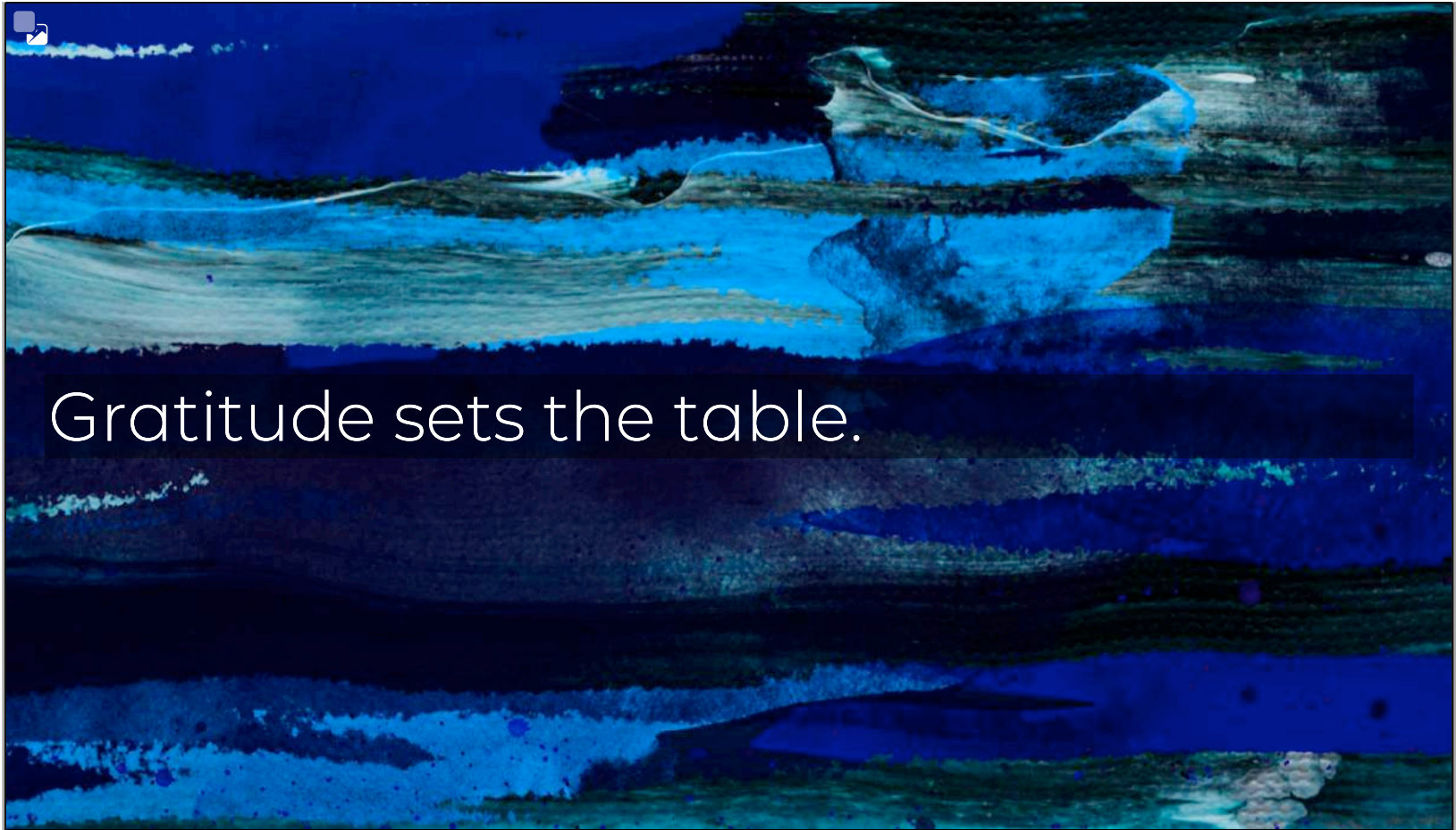
What gets in the way?

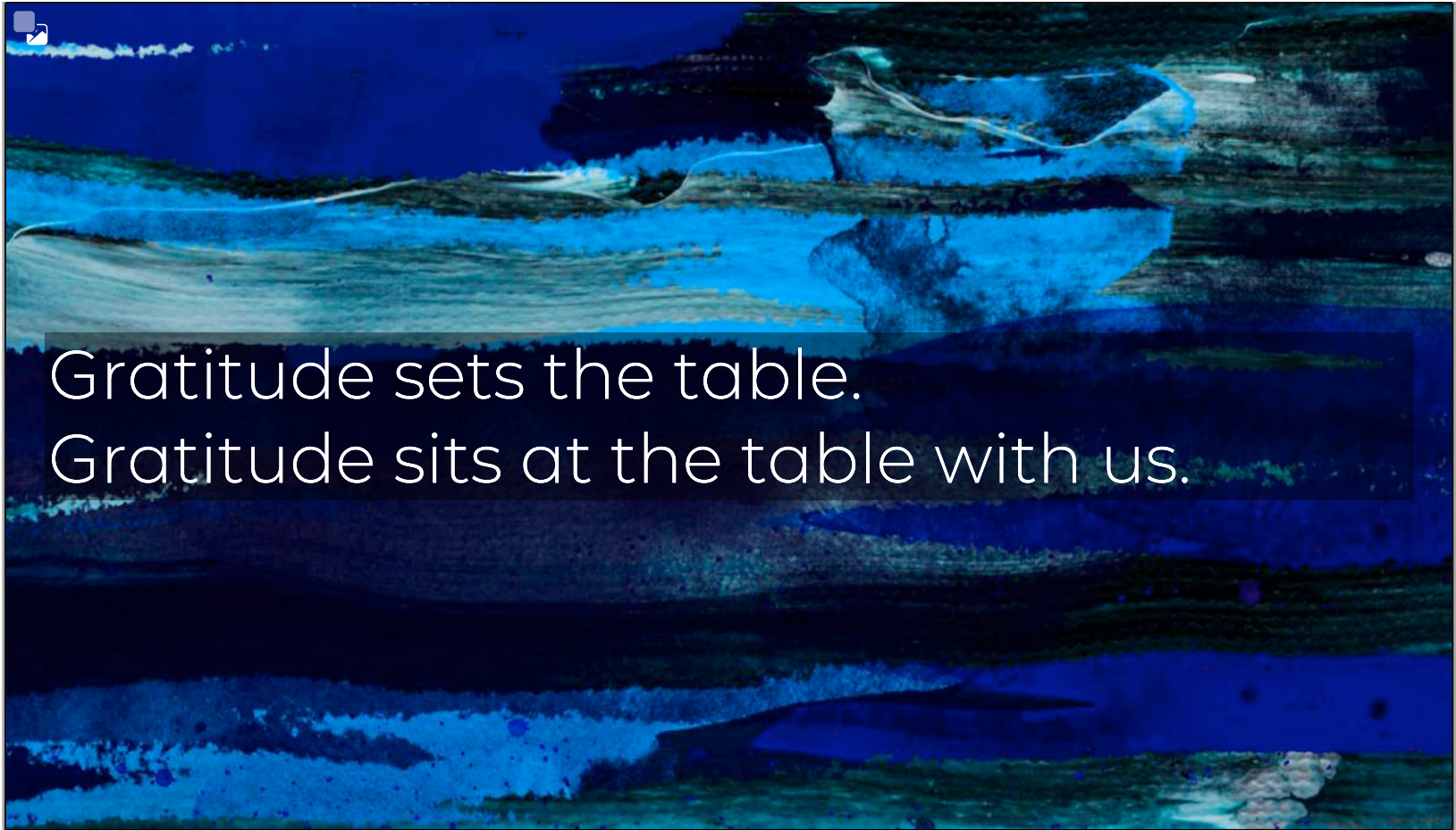


What gets in the way?
Scarcity



What gets in the way?
Scarcity
Fear of the dark

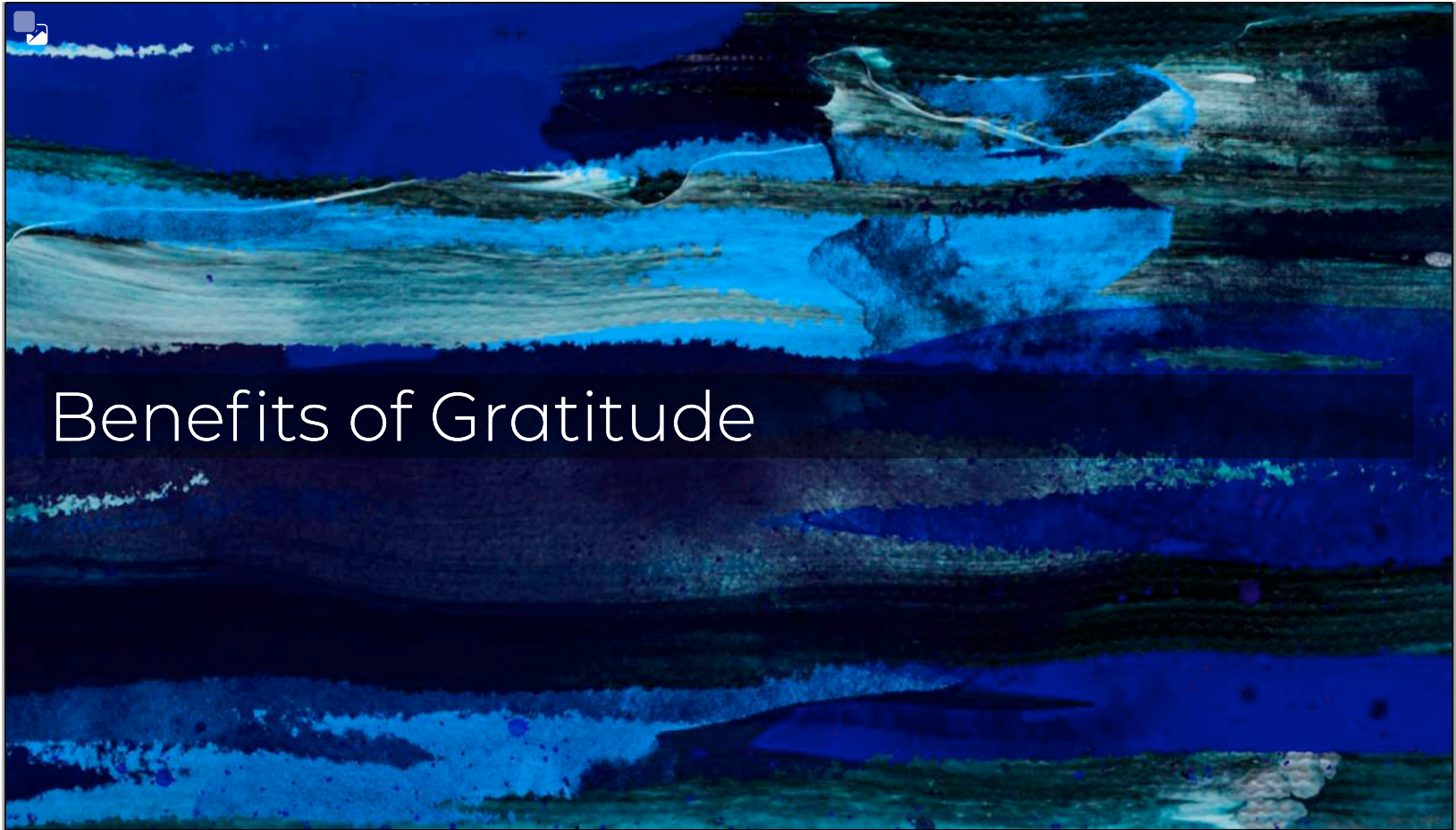




Gratitude sets the table.
Gratitude sits at the table with us.



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Benefits of Gratitude



What you can do?

Breathe, and pray.

Feel all the feelings. Land on the Truth.

Give thanks.

Read through the Psalms, paying attention to how gratitude is foundational to God's people

Memorize Philippians 4:4-9

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Psalm 107

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever. Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.